Pedestals: Polynomial matrices with polynomial eigenvalues

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Abstract. A construction will be presented that maps each poset X to a square matrix M^X . Its matrix elements are enumerated by pairs of linear orders P, Q on X, and are monomials of variables x_i . Our main result is that the eigenvalues of M^X are polynomials in x_i with integer coefficients. In collaboration with Richard Kenyon, Maxim Kontsevich, Oleg Ogievet-

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