A Generalized Apagodu-Zeilberger Algorithm

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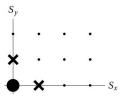
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and likewise for σ_y, δ_y .

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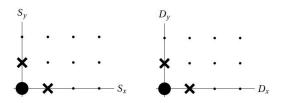
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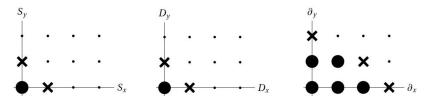
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Observation: Common factors of d and v behave slightly different than other factors. This motivates the decomposition

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Conclusion and Outlook