

[BMPS2, Section 4]

Schur functions

$\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_\ell)$ $h_k =$ complete symmetric functions
 $h_0 = 1$

Def $S_\gamma = \det(h_{\gamma_i + j - i})$

Ex $\gamma = (3, 1, 2, 5)$ $S_\gamma = \begin{vmatrix} h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ 1 & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ 1 & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & h_5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$
same!

Ex $\gamma = (4, 7, 1, 6)$

$S_\gamma = \begin{vmatrix} h_4 & h_5 & h_6 & h_7 \\ h_6 & h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \\ 0 & 1 & h_1 & h_2 \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} h_6 & h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 & h_7 \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ 0 & 1 & h_1 & h_2 \end{vmatrix}$
 h_{γ_i} on diag

$= S_{(6, 5, 5, 2)}$

Lemma $\rho = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, 0)$, then

$S_\gamma(x) = \begin{cases} \text{sgn}(\gamma + \rho) \cdot S_{\text{sort}(\gamma + \rho) - \rho}(x) & \text{if } \gamma + \rho \text{ has distinct } \geq 0 \text{ parts} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

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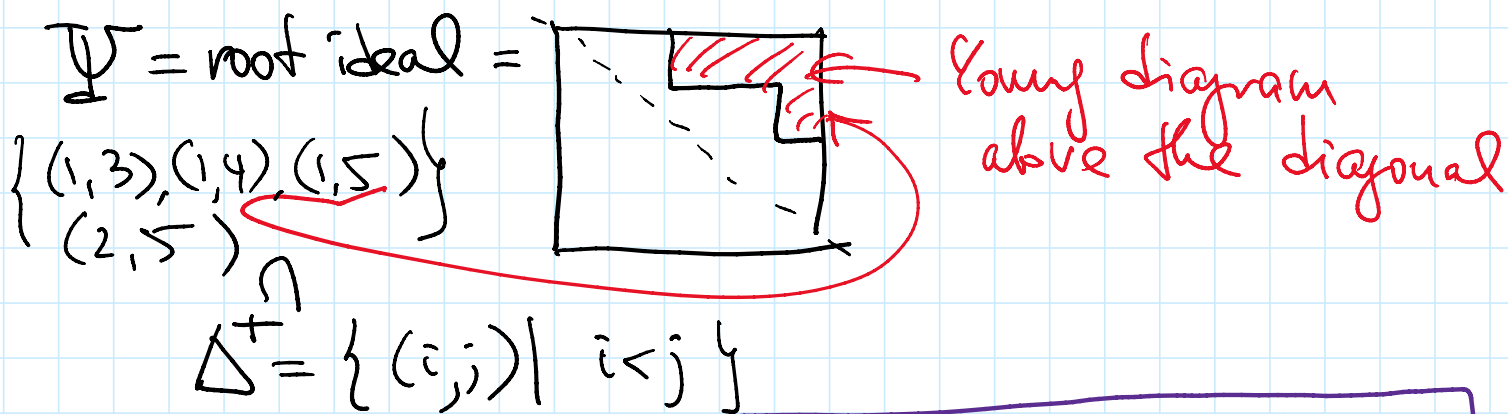
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 $\gamma = (4, 7, 1, 6)$ $\gamma + \rho = (7, 9, 2, 6)$

Proof: We see the entries of $\gamma + \rho$ in the last column of the matrix defining S_γ .

sorting $\gamma + \rho \longleftrightarrow$ permuting the rows in the matrix.

$\pi: \mathbb{Q}[z_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, z_\ell^{\pm 1}] \rightarrow \Delta$ linear map defined by $\pi(z^\sigma) = S_\gamma$ for all σ .

② Catalan functions $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_\ell)$



Catalan fu: $H(\Psi, \gamma) = \prod_{(i,j) \in \Psi} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j}) z^\sigma$

Can expand this as a power series
 $1 - t^{z_i/z_j} = 1 - t^{z_i} \cdot t^{-z_j} = 1 - z_i z_j^{-1}$

$$(1 - t \frac{z_i}{z_j})^{-1} = 1 + t \frac{z_i}{z_j} + t^2 \frac{z_i^2}{z_j^2} + \dots$$

→ infinite sum of monomials in $z \rightarrow$

→ applying π changes each of them to a Schur.

Example 4.5. With $\ell = 4$, $\mu = 3321$, and $\Psi = \{(1, 3), (2, 4), (1, 4)\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H(\Psi; \mu) &= (1 - tR_{13})^{-1}(1 - tR_{24})^{-1}(1 - tR_{14})^{-1}s_{3321} \\ &= s_{3321} + t(s_{3420} + s_{4311} + s_{4320}) + t^2(s_{4410} + s_{5301} + s_{5310}) \\ &\quad + t^3(s_{63-11} + s_{5400} + s_{6300}) + t^4(s_{64-10} + s_{73-10}) \\ &= s_{3321} + t(s_{4320} + s_{4311}) + t^2(s_{4410} + s_{5310}) + t^3s_{5400}. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 4.1 is used to truncate the series to terms s_α with $\alpha + \rho \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ for the second equality and it is used again for the third to give $s_{3420} = s_{5301} = s_{64-10} = s_{73-10} = 0$ and $s_{63-11} = -s_{6300}$.

$$\begin{aligned} H(\Psi; \mu) &= \pi \left((1 - t \frac{z_1}{z_3})^{-1} (1 - t \frac{z_2}{z_4})^{-1} (1 - t \frac{z_1}{z_4})^{-1} z^M \right) \\ &= \pi \left[z^M + t \left[\frac{z_1}{z_3} z^M + \frac{z_2}{z_4} z^M + \frac{z_1}{z_4} z^M \right] + \dots \right] \\ &= s_{3321} + t(s_{4311} + s_{3420} + s_{4320}) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

In principle, infinite series in t , coeffs = compositional Schurs.

Fact In fact, only finitely many terms are nonzero.

③ Hall-Littlewood polynomials.

$$H_m = \sum_{i \geq 0} (-1)^i t^i h_{m+i-j} e_i^+ h_j^- = \text{operator}$$

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 ($m \in \mathbb{Z}$) on symmetric functions

[Ting / Garcia HL operator].

e_i^+, h_j^+ are adjoint to multiplication by e_i, h_j under standard bilinear form on Λ where S_n are orthonormal.

Note: e_i^+, h_j^+ lower the degree (resp. by i and j)
 $\Rightarrow H_m$ has finitely many terms when applied to a given function.

$H_\gamma := H_{\gamma_1} \dots H_{\gamma_\ell}$ ← denoted H_γ in paper

(Compositional) HL polynomial = $H_\gamma(1)$

Prop: Hall-Littlewoods are special case of Catalan

Catalan $H(\Delta^+, \gamma) = H_\gamma(1)$.

$\Psi = \Delta^+$

Proof: Refer to Zabrocki / Shimozono.

Another operator $\Phi: \mathbb{Q}[z_1^{\pm}, \dots, z_\ell^{\pm}] \rightarrow \Lambda$

$\Phi(z^\sigma) = H_\gamma(1) =$

$= \pi \left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} (1 - t^{z_i}) \cdot \Gamma(z^\sigma) \right)$

$$= \pi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j}) z^\delta \right)$$

Observation: $\Phi(-) = \pi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j})^{-1} \cdot - \right)$

Lemma $H(\Psi, \gamma) = \Phi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+ \setminus \Psi} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j}) z^\delta \right)$

Why this is nice? This is a finite polynomial in z 's
 $\Rightarrow H(\Psi, \gamma) =$ finite sum of $H_\gamma(1)$.
 of $\geq |\Delta^+ \setminus \Psi|$ terms.
 (no inverses!)

Proof $H(\Psi, \gamma) = \pi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Psi} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j})^{-1} z^\delta \right)$

$$= \pi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j})^{-1} \cdot \prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+ \setminus \Psi} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j}) \cdot z^\delta \right)$$

$$= (\text{by observation}) = \Phi \left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \Delta^+ \setminus \Psi} (1 - t^{z_i/z_j}) z^\delta \right) \quad \square.$$

We have identities for operators:

Facts: (a) $e_d^\pm H_m = H_m e_d^\pm + H_{m-1} e_{d-1}^\pm$

[commute: $[e_d^\pm, H_m]$ by definition of H_m , note that e_d^\pm commutes with e_i^\pm, h_j^\pm]

(b) $e_d^\pm H_\gamma = e_d^\pm H_{\gamma_1} \dots H_{\gamma_c} =$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad e_d^\perp H_\gamma &= e_d^\perp H_{\gamma_1} \cdots H_{\gamma_\ell} = \\
 &= H_{\gamma_1} e_d^\perp H_{\gamma_2} \cdots H_{\gamma_\ell} + H_{\gamma_1} \cdots H_{\gamma_{\ell-1}} e_{d-1}^\perp H_{\gamma_2} \cdots H_{\gamma_\ell} \\
 &= \dots \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{S \subset \{1, \dots, \ell\} \\ |S| \leq d}} H_{\gamma - \epsilon_S} e_{d-|S|}^\perp \quad (\text{by induction from (a)}) \\
 &\quad \text{where } \epsilon_S = \text{char. function of } S.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (c) \quad e_d^\perp H_\gamma(1) &= \sum_{\substack{S \subset \{1, \dots, \ell\} \\ |S| \leq d}} H_{\gamma - \epsilon_S} e_{d-|S|}^\perp(1) \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{S \subset \{1, \dots, \ell\} \\ |S| = d}} H_{\gamma - \epsilon_S}(1) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{zero unless } |S| = d \\ \text{"dual Pieri rule"} \\ \text{for HL} \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (d) \quad e_d^\perp \Phi(z^\delta) &= e_d^\perp H_\gamma(1) = \sum_{|S|=d} H_{\gamma - \epsilon_S}(1) \\
 &= \sum_{|S|=d} \Phi(z^{\delta - \epsilon_S})
 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow for any argument

$$e_d^\perp \Phi(\text{---}) = \sum_{|S|=d} \Phi(z^{-\epsilon_S} \cdot \text{---})$$

Lemma $e_d^\perp (H(\Psi, \gamma)) = \sum_{|S|=d} H(\Psi, \gamma - \epsilon_S)$

Proof By the above: We will need this in the future

$$H(\Psi, \gamma) = \sum_{(i_j) \in \Delta^+(\Psi)} \prod (1 - t^{z_i/b_i}) \cdot z^\gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_d^\downarrow H(\Psi, \gamma) &= \sum_s \sum_{(i_j) \in \Delta^+(\Psi)} \prod (1 - t^{z_i/b_i}) \cdot z^{\gamma - \epsilon_s} \\ &= \sum_s H(\Psi, \gamma - \epsilon_s). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma Suppose that $r_\ell = 0$. Then

$$H(\Psi, \gamma) = H(\tilde{\Psi}, \tilde{\gamma})$$

where $\tilde{\gamma} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{\ell-1})$, and $\tilde{\Psi}$ = truncation of Ψ to $(\ell-1) \times (\ell-1)$ square (i.e., $\tilde{\Psi}$ is obtained from Ψ by forgetting the last column).

Proof
$$H(\Psi, \gamma) = \sum_{(i_j) \in \Delta^+(\Psi)} \prod (1 - t^{z_i/b_i}) z_1^{\gamma_1} \dots z_{\ell-1}^{\gamma_{\ell-1}} z_\ell^0$$

Note that z_ℓ appears in non positive degrees here (z_i/z_ℓ) \leadsto the sum will include

$$H_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_\ell}^{(1)} \text{ with } \mu_\ell \leq 0$$

$$H_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_\ell}^{(1)} = H_{\mu_1} H_{\mu_2} \dots \underbrace{H_{\mu_\ell}^{(1)}}_{=1}$$

$$H_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_l}(\mathbb{1}) = H_{\mu_1} H_{\mu_2} \dots H_{\mu_l}(\mathbb{1})$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_l}(\mathbb{1}) = \begin{cases} H_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{l-1}}(\mathbb{1}) & \text{if } \mu_l = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \mu_l < 0 \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow what's left is the sum over monomial

$$\text{with } \mu_l = 0 \Rightarrow \Phi\left(\prod_{i=1}^{l-1} (1 - tz_i/z_i) z^{\tilde{\delta}}\right) = H(\tilde{\Psi}, \tilde{\delta}).$$

ignore all $1 - tz_i/z_i, i < l$.

Remark in the paper:

$$\Phi\left((1 - tz_i/z_i) \dots\right) = (1 - tR_{ij})\Phi(\dots)$$

need to be careful with R_{ij}

$$\rightarrow R_{ij}(H_\gamma) = H_{\gamma + \epsilon_i - \epsilon_j}$$