

Hey Series, How do you make Macdonald polynomials?

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We'll talk about

- ▶ Modules, symmetric functions, combinatorics
- ▶ Macdonald goes wild (1980's)
- ▶ Catalan animals, a series perspective

Example: Harmonics

Polynomials in n variables

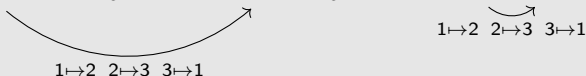
$$\mathcal{M} = \{f(x) : (\partial_{x_1}^a + \cdots + \partial_{x_n}^a) f(x) = 0 \ \forall a > 0\}$$

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$$\Delta = \det \begin{vmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1^1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2^1 & 1 \\ x_3^2 & x_3^1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = x_1^2(x_2 - x_3) - x_2^2(x_1 - x_3) + x_3^2(x_1 - x_2)$$

S_n -module

$$\text{sp}\{\Delta, 2x_1(x_2 - x_3) - x_2^2 + x_3^2, 2x_2(x_3 - x_1) - x_3^2 + x_1^2, x_3 - x_1, x_1 - x_2, 1\}$$



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Irreducible submodules indexed by partitions

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how many copies of each irreducible?

Symmetric functions

Multivariate polynomials invariant under S_n -action:

$$\sigma : z_i \mapsto z_{\sigma(i)}$$

symmetric: $3z_1^2 + 3z_2^2 - 7z_1z_2$

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Bases are indexed by partitions

symmetrizing a monomial $\rightarrow$ symmetric function

$$z_1^5z_2^1 \longrightarrow z_1^5z_2^1 + z_2^5z_1^1$$

indexed by $(5, 1) = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$

Schur functions

Def. $s_\lambda(z)$ is the Weyl symmetrization of $z^\lambda = z_1^{\lambda_1} \cdots z_n^{\lambda_n}$

$$\sigma(f(z)) = \sum_{w \in S_n} w \left(\frac{f(z)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - z_j/z_i)} \right)$$

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Prop. $s_\lambda(z)$ is the sum over **Young tableaux** of shape λ

fillings which increase up columns
and weakly increase across rows

$$T = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & 4 & & & \\ \hline 2 & 3 & & & \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \longrightarrow z^T = \prod_{i=\text{label in } T} z_i = z_1 z_1 z_1 z_2 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_4$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_{(2,1)}(z) &= \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ &= 2z_1 z_2 z_3 + z_1^2 z_2 + z_1 z_2^2 + z_1^2 z_3 + z_1 z_3^2 + z_2^2 z_3 + z_2 z_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

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irreducible $\chi^\lambda \mapsto s_\lambda$

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coefficient of $s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}}$ in $???? = \# \text{ of irreducibles } \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$

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$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) = (z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^3$$

Schur expansions

$$(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^3 = s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \end{smallmatrix}} + s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ & \square \end{smallmatrix}} + s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}}$$

Expand $(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^3$ into Schur functions

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sage: pol = Sym.from_polynomial((z1+z2+z3)^3)
sage: s(pol)
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s[1,1,1] + 2*s[2,1] + s[3]
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List tableaux with one each of letters 1,2,3

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sage: Tableaux.options.convention="french"
sage: SYT=StandardTableaux(3)
sage: [taby.pp() for taby in SYT]
3
2      2      3
1      13     12     1 2 3
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Modules, symmetric functions, combinatorics

► S_n -Module

$\mathcal{M}$ = Harmonic polynomials

► Identify symmetric function = Frobenius image

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Young tableaux

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$$s_{\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array}} + s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 & \\ \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}} + s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & \\ \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}} + s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}}$$

$$(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^3$$

The quantum craze

- Combinatorics: basic hypergeometric series, q -counting

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline \blacksquare & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \\ \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow (1 + q + q^2 + q^3 + q^4)$$

- Geometry: q -deformation of cohomology
- Physics: conformal and topological quantum field theory

Modules/symmetric functions/combinatorics?

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degree 2 polynomials

degree 1 polynomials

what are the polynomial degrees in a given irreducible?

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Frobenius

degree d irreducible $\mapsto q^d s_\lambda$

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Identify the symmetric function $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})$

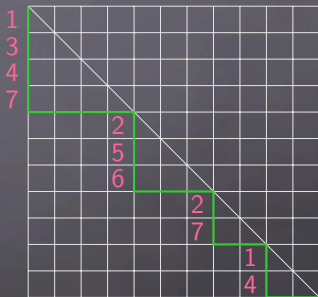
Hall-Littlewood Polynomials

For partition $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_\ell)$,

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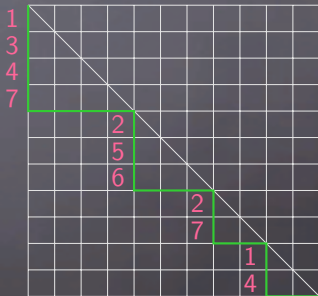
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Modules, symmetric functions, combinatorics

► Graded S_n -Module

$M = \text{Harmonic polynomials}$

► Identify (Schur positive) function = q -Frobenius image

$\mathcal{F}(M) = \text{Hall-Littlewood polynomial}$

► Explore combinatorics

labelled Dyck paths, dinv-statistic, Young tableaux

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Macdonald initiates q, t -theory

Generalization of Selberg's integral led to q, t symmetric functions

$$\frac{-4q}{t-1}x_1^2x_2 + \frac{-4q}{t-1}x_2^2x_3 + \frac{-4q}{t-1}x_1^2x_3 + (t^2 - 7q)x_1x_2x_3$$

Macdonald prove the existence of a basis

- defined by orthogonality (use Gram-Schmidt)
- specializing to Hall-Littlewoods
- conjectured to have certain positive expansion

(Garsia-modified) conjecture: q, t -sum of Schur functions

$$\tilde{H}_{2,2} = t^2 s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}} + (qt^2 + qt + t) s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + (q^2 t^2 + 1) s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}} + (q^2 t + qt + q) s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + q^2 s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}}$$

Garsia-Haiman modules

Wanted: for each partition,

S_n -module in $\mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n]$ under $\sigma : x_i y_j \mapsto x_{\sigma(i)} y_{\sigma(j)}$

degree in x degree in y

$$\tilde{H}_{2,1} = t^0 q^0 s_{\square\square} + \overset{\begin{matrix} \curvearrowright & \curvearrowright \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \end{matrix}}{t^0 q^1} s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + t^1 q^0 s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}} + t^1 q^1 s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}}$$

modified Macdonald polynomial

Garsia-Haiman modules

Found

$\mathcal{M}_\mu$ – span of partial derivatives of Δ_μ

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$\nearrow x_r^{\text{row}-1} y_r^{\text{col}-1} \searrow$

$$\mathcal{M}_{2,1} = \underbrace{\text{sp}\{1\}}_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \\ \square & \end{smallmatrix} \quad (0,0)} \oplus \underbrace{\text{sp}\{x_3 - x_1, x_1 - x_2\}}_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \\ \square & \end{smallmatrix} \quad \text{degree 0 in } y \quad \text{degree 1 in } x} \oplus \underbrace{\text{sp}\{y_3 - y_1, y_1 - y_2\}}_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \\ \square & \end{smallmatrix} \quad (1,0)} \oplus \underbrace{\text{sp}\{\Delta_{(2,1)}\}}_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix} \quad (1,1)}$$

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q, t -Example

2 Bi-graded Module (Garsia/Haiman'92)

$\mathcal{M}_\mu$ = linear span of partial derivatives of Δ_μ

1 Symmetric function = Frobenius image (Haiman'02)

$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}_\mu)$ = modified Macdonald polynomial

3 Combinatorics...

Another Bigraded example

Harmonics = polynomials in n variables

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= span of all partial derivatives of **Vandermonde**



extended to Δ_μ

Diagonal Harmonics Module

Polynomials in 2 sets of variables

$$\mathcal{DH}_n = \left\{ f(x, y) : \sum_i \partial_{x_i}^a \partial_{y_i}^b f(x, y) = 0 \ \forall a + b > 0 \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{DH}_2 = \text{sp}\{x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2, 1\}$$

$$??? = q^{\overset{\swarrow}{1}} s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + t^{\overset{\downarrow}{1}} s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}}$$

What symmetric function is the Frobenius image of $\mathcal{DH}_n$?

The Frobenius image of $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_n)$

Example $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_2) = (q+t)s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}} + s_{\square\square}$

Macdonald expand $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_2)$

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sage: HMact( (q+t)*s([1,1])+s([2]) )
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↑
Def. ∇ is a
Macdonald
eigenoperator

[Haiman'O2]

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_n) = \nabla s_{1^n}$$

The Shuffle Conjecture [HHLRU'05]

$$\nabla s_{1^n} = \sum_{\pi} t^{\text{area}(\pi)} \sum_{P \text{ labels } \pi} q^{\text{dinv}(P)} z^P$$

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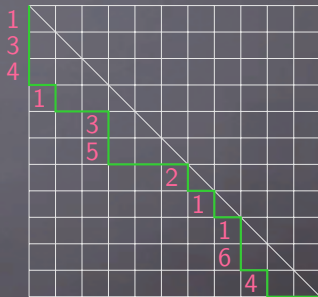
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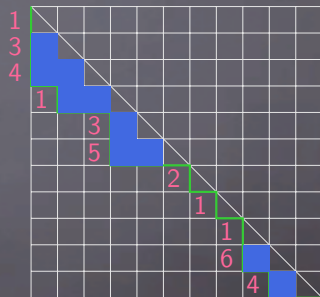
area counts squares above π

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$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}_\mu)$ = modified Macdonald polynomial $\tilde{H}_\mu$

3 Combinatorics (Haiman, Haglund, Loehr'05)

$$\tilde{H}_\mu = \sum_{D \subset \mu} t^{\text{maj}(D)} LLT_D(z; q)$$

Diagonal Harmonics

- **Bigraded Module** (Garsia/Haiman'92)

$\mathcal{DH}_n$ = harmonics in $2n$ variables

- **Symmetric functions = Frobenius image** (Haiman'02)

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_n) = \nabla_{S_{1^n}}$$

- **Combinatorics** (Carlsson/Mellit'15)

$$\nabla_{S_{1^n}} = \sum_{\text{Dyck paths } \pi} t^{\text{area}(\pi)} \text{LLT}_{\pi}(z; q)$$

attach an LLT to each path, t -weighted by its area



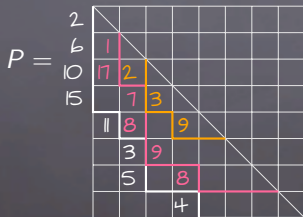
Other q, t -frameworks

Building on $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DH}_n) = \nabla_{S_{1^n}}$

Conjecture. Loehr-Warrington (2008)

$$\nabla S_\lambda = \sum_{\substack{\pi = \text{nested paths} \\ \text{of lengths from } \lambda}} t^{\text{area}(\pi)} LLT_\pi(z; q)$$

attach an LLT to each nest of paths,
t-weighted by the sum of areas of each path in a nest



We'll talk about

- ▶ Modules, symmetric functions, combinatorics
- ▶ Macdonald goes wild (1980's)
- ▶ Catalan animals, a series perspective

Back to the drawing Board

Schur function = symmetrization of monomial

$s_\mu = \sigma(z^\mu)$ where

$$\sigma(f(z)) = \sum_{w \in S_n} w \left(\frac{f(z)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - z_j/z_i)} \right)$$

symmetric function theory develops from formulas like this!

until both q and t got involved.

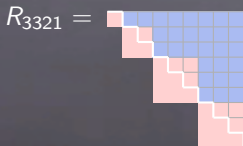
- ▶ Macdonald polynomials
- ▶ $\nabla_{S_\lambda}(q, t\text{-labellings of nested Dyck paths})$
 $\nabla_{S_{1^n}}$ and friends

One parameter study

Hall-Littlewood polynomials (Shimozono-Weyman)

$$\tilde{H}_\mu(\mathbf{z}; q) = \text{pol}\left(\sigma\left(\frac{z_1 \cdots z_n}{\prod_{(i,j) \in R_\mu} (1 - qz_i/z_j)}\right)\right)$$

Def. R_μ = roots above Dyck path
with $\mu_\ell, \dots, \mu_1$ -sized blocks



$$R_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{red} & \text{blue} & \text{blue} \\ \text{black} & \text{red} & \text{red} \\ \text{red} & \text{red} & \text{red} \end{bmatrix} = \{(1, 2), (1, 3)\}$$

Hall-Littlewood polynomial example

$$\tilde{H}_{(21)}(z; q) = \text{pol} \left(\sigma \left(\frac{z_1 z_2 z_3}{(1 - q z_1 / z_2)(1 - q z_1 / z_3)} \right) \right)$$

$$R_{21} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Series expand

↓

$$z_1 z_2 z_3 + q z_1^2 z_3 + q^2 z_1^3 z_3 / z_2 + q z_1^2 z_2 + q^2 z_1^3 + q^3 z_1^5 / z_2 z_3 + \dots$$

Apply σ

$$\sigma(z^{111}) + q \sigma(z^{201}) + q^2 \sigma(z^{3-11}) + q \sigma(z^{210}) + q^2 \sigma(z^{300}) + q^3 \sigma(z^{5-1-1}) + \dots$$

$$s_{111}$$

$$q s_{21}$$

straightening

$$\sigma(x^\gamma) \rightarrow \pm \sigma(x^\lambda) \text{ for weakly decreasing } \lambda, \text{ or zero}$$

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$$s_{111} + 0 - \underline{q^2 \sigma(z^{300})} + q s_{21} + \underline{q^2 \sigma(z^{300})} + q^3 \sigma(z^{5-1-1}) + \dots$$

$\text{pol}(\sigma(x^\lambda)) = 0$ when $\lambda_n < 0$

$$s_{111} + q s_{21}$$

Why not roots above any Dyck path?

Catalan functions (Panyushev and Haiman)

For Dyck path π ,

$$\tilde{H}_\pi(\mathbf{z}; q) = \text{pol} \left(\sigma \left(\frac{z^\lambda}{\prod_{(i,j) \in R_\pi} (1 - q z_i / z_j)} \right) \right)$$

Def. R_π = set of roots above any Dyck path



Theorem. [Blasiak-M-Pun]

Catalan functions are Schur positive for any partition λ

It's time to get series!

Hall-Littlewood polynomials

$$\tilde{H}_\mu(z; q) = \text{pol} \left(\sigma \left(\frac{z_1 \cdots z_n}{\prod_{(i,j) \in R_\mu} (1 - q z_i / z_j)} \right) \right)$$

experiment with adding t

Example.

$$\mathcal{H} = \text{pol} \left(\sigma \left(\frac{z_1 z_2}{(1 - q z_1 / z_2)(1 - t z_1 / z_2)} \right) \right)$$

sage: $s(\mathcal{H})$

sage: $(q + t)s_{\square} + s_{\square\square}$

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Example.

$$\mathcal{DH}_2 = \text{sp}\{x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2, 1\}$$

$$\nabla s_{1^2} = q^1 s_{\square} + t^1 s_{\square} + s_{\square\square}$$

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Series for diagonal harmonics

$$\nabla_{S_{1^n}} = \sum$$



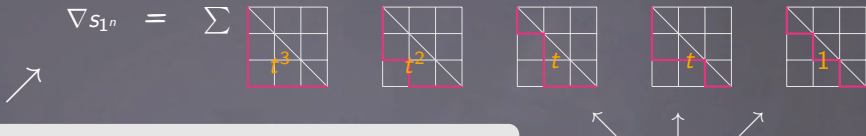
polynomial part of

$$\sigma \left(\frac{z_1 \cdots z_n \prod_{i+1 < j} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j) (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right)$$



$$\sum_{\text{labellings } P \text{ of path}} q^{\text{dinv}(P)} x^P$$

Series for diagonal harmonics



polynomial part of

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$$\sum_{\text{labellings } P \text{ of path}} q^{\text{dinv}(P)} x^P$$

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LLT Series

$$\mathcal{L}_{\beta/\alpha} = \sigma \left(\frac{(w_0(F_\beta(z; q) \overline{E_\alpha(z; q)}))}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j)} \right)$$

for non-symmetric Hall-Littlewood
polynomials $E_\alpha = (-q)^{\ell(w)} T_w z^{\alpha+}$ and their duals

Series for diagonal harmonics

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↑

~~polynomial part of~~

$$\# \left(\frac{z_1 \cdots z_n \prod_{i+1 \leq j} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i < j} (\cancel{1/t} / \cancel{q} / \cancel{z_i} / \cancel{z_j}) (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right)$$

$$\sum_{\text{labellings } P \text{ of path}} q^{\text{dinv}(P)} x^P$$

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right hand side

$$\sum t^{\text{area}(\beta/\alpha)} \# \left(\frac{(w_0(F_\beta(z; q) \overline{E_\alpha(z; q)}))}{\cancel{1/t} / \cancel{q} / \cancel{z_i} / \cancel{z_j}} \right)$$

for non-symmetric Hall-Littlewood polynomials $E_\alpha = (-q)^{\ell(w)} T_w z^{\alpha+}$ and their duals

Unstraightened Series Identity

Theorem

$$z_1 \cdots z_l \frac{\prod_{i+1 \leq j} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i \leq j} (1 - t z_i / z_j)} = \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_{l-1} \geq 0} t^{|a|} w_0(F_\beta(z; q) \overline{E_\alpha(z; q)})$$

where $\beta = (1, a_{l-1} + 1, \dots, a_1 + 1)$ and $\alpha = (a_1, \dots, a_{l-1}, 0)$.

Proof: Cauchy Identity

$$\frac{\prod_{i < j} (1 - tqz_i y_j)}{\prod_{i \leq j} (1 - tz_i y_j)} = \sum_a t^{|a|} E_a(z; q^{-1}) F_a(y; q)$$

implies Shuffle Theorem by symmetrizing and taking the polynomial part

Catalan animals

For 3 sets of roots R_{qt}, R_q, R_t and an integer vector λ ,

$$H(R_{qt}, R_q, R_t, \lambda) = \sigma \left(\frac{z^\lambda \prod_{(i,j) \in R_{qt}} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{(i,j) \in R_q} (1 - q z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_t} (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right)$$

Example. $\nabla_{S_{1^n}}$ is the polynomial part of

$$H(R_{qt}, R_q, R_t, 1^n) = \sigma \left(\frac{z_1 \cdots z_n \prod_{i+1 < j} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j) (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right)$$

$R_q = R_t = \text{all roots}, R_{qt} = \text{all roots} \setminus \{(1, 2), (2, 3), \dots, (n-1, n)\}$

is there a catalan animal H so $\text{pol}(H) = \nabla_{S_\mu}$?

what about Macdonald polynomials?

More sage experiments

Catalanimals for ∇s_μ

Def. the Schur catalanimal $H(R_{qt}, R_q, R_t; \lambda)$ has

-  $R_+ \setminus R_q =$ pairs of boxes in the same diagonal,
-  $R_t \setminus R_{qt} =$ pairs going between adjacent diagonals,
-  $R_{qt} =$ all other pairs

1	3	6	
2	5	8	
4	7	9	10

$$\mu = (433)$$



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2	2	1	
2	1	0	
1	0	1	0

λ , as a filling of μ



the z^λ term: fill each diagonal D of μ with
 $1 + \chi(D \text{ contains a row start}) - \chi(D \text{ contains a row end})$.

Loehr-Warrington Conjecture

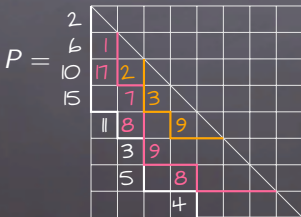
Schur catalanimal

$$\sigma \left(\frac{z^\lambda \prod_{(i,j) \in R_{qt}} (1 - q t z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{(i,j) \in R_q} (1 - q z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_t} (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right)$$



Theorem [Blasiak, Haiman, M, Pun, Seelinger]

$$\nabla s_\lambda = \sum_{\substack{\text{nested paths } \pi \\ \text{of shape } \lambda}} t^{\text{area}(\lambda)} \sum_{\text{labelling } P \text{ of } \pi} q^{\text{dinv}(P)} x^P$$



LLT Series

$$\sigma \left(\frac{(w_0(F_\beta(z; q) \overline{E_\alpha(z; q)}))}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j)} \right)$$

Playing with catalanimals

There are catalanimals for any LLT polynomial!

$$\text{pol}(H) = \nabla(\text{LLT}_\nu(\mathbf{z}; q))$$

$$\tilde{H}_\mu(\mathbf{z}; q, t) = \sum_{\nu} t^{\text{maj}(\nu)} \text{LLT}_\nu(\mathbf{z}; q)$$

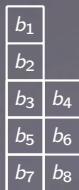
↓ apply ∇

$$q^* t^* \tilde{H}_\mu(\mathbf{z}; q, t) = \sum_D t^{\text{maj}(D)} \nabla(\text{LLT}_D(\mathbf{z}; q))$$

Theorem [Blasiak-Haiman-M.-Pun-Seelinger]

$$\tilde{H}_\mu = \text{pol} \sigma \left(z_1 \cdots z_n \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in R^*} (1 - q^{\text{arm}(b_i)+1} t^{-\text{leg}(b_i)} z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_{qt}} (1 - qt z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_t} (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right).$$

Macanimals



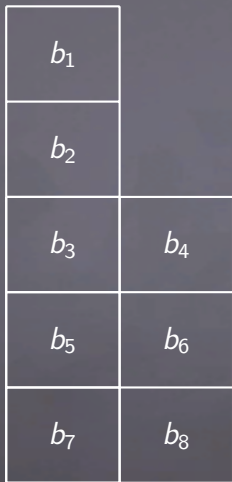
row reading order

-  $R_t \setminus R_{qt} = \text{top of a vertical domino in } \mu$
-  $R_{qt} = \text{all pairs to right of } \img alt="A square box with a grey dot in the top-left corner." data-bbox="524 598 557 641"/>$
- $R_q = \text{all roots}$



$$\tilde{H}_\mu = \text{pol} \sigma \left(z_1 \cdots z_n \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in R^*} (1 - q^{\text{arm}(b_i)+1} t^{-\text{leg}(b_i)} z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_{qt}} (1 - qt z_i / z_j)}{\prod_{i < j} (1 - q z_i / z_j) \prod_{(i,j) \in R_t} (1 - t z_i / z_j)} \right).$$

Macanimals



partition $\mu = 22211$



(t factors)



(t and qt factors)

Macanimals

$1 - q \frac{z_1}{z_2}$	
$1 - qt^{-1} \frac{z_2}{z_3}$	
$1 - q^2 t^{-2} \frac{z_3}{z_5}$	$1 - q \frac{z_4}{z_6}$
$1 - q^2 t^{-3} \frac{z_5}{z_7}$	$1 - qt^{-1} \frac{z_6}{z_8}$

numerator factors $1 - q^{\text{arm}+1} t^{-\text{leg}} z_i / z_j$



Now what?

For 3 sets of roots R_{qt}, R_q, R_t and an integer vector λ ,

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- ▶ revisit q, t -symmetric theory starting from catalanial formulas
- ▶ explore new families of symmetric functions arising from catalanials
- ▶ modules/combinatorics for new families
- ▶ develop theory around Boosted Macanials

thank you!