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Lemma. The collection of partitions  $\lambda(w(i,j))$  satisfy the local rules for growth diagrams.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 35 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 25 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem. The map  $w \mapsto (P, Q)$  is the Schensted correspondence.

Corollary.  $w \xrightarrow{\text{Schensted}} (P, Q)$  of shape  $\lambda$ . Then  $\lambda_1 =$  maximum possible size of increasing subword in  $w$ .

Example Def.  $w$  is 123-avoiding if  $\nexists i < j < k$  st.  $w(i) < w(j) < w(k)$ .

Corollary.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 123\text{-avoiding} \\ \text{permutations} \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{Schensted}} (P, Q)$  of shape  $\lambda$  s.t.  $\lambda_1 \leq 2$

longest increasing subsequence is of length 1 or 2,  $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \leq 2$ .  
 $\hookrightarrow$  solves problem  $\perp$  on PSET.

Dual RSK.

$A = (a_{ij})$   $\infty \times \infty$  matrix with finite support s.t.  $a_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$

$A \xleftrightarrow{\text{RSK}^*} (P, Q)$   $P, Q$  SSYT's w/  $\text{weight}(P) =$  row sums of  $A$   
 $\text{weight}(Q) =$  column sums of  $A$   
 $\text{shape}(P) = \lambda, \text{shape}(Q) = \lambda' \leftarrow$  conjugate part

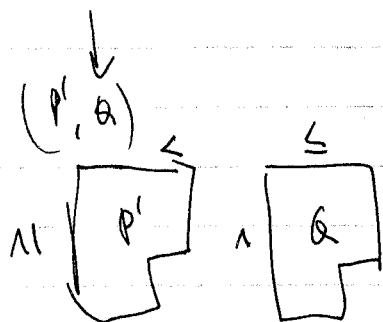
## Dual Cauchy Identity.

$$\sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda}(x_1, x_2, \dots) s_{\lambda'}(y_1, y_2, \dots) = \prod_{i,j} (1 + x_i y_j)$$

$$A \rightsquigarrow w_A$$

$$w_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

not allowed repeated columns, except this  
it's same as generalised permutation



$P'$					1 2 3	1 2 3	1 2 3
$Q$					1 1 3	1 1 3	1 1 3
					1	1 3	1 2
					3	3	3
					2	2 4	2 4
					3	3	3
							5

If we insert  $k$ , then it bumps the first entry  $\geq k$ .

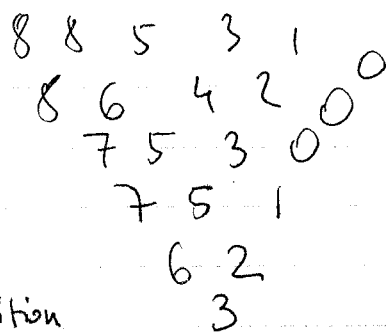
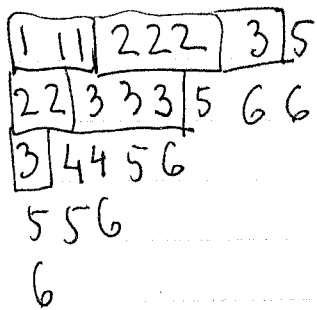
## Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 & \dots & \lambda_n \\ \searrow \uparrow & \searrow \uparrow & \searrow \uparrow & & \searrow \uparrow \\ \mu_1 & \mu_2 & \mu_3 & \dots & \mu_{n-1} \\ \searrow \uparrow & \searrow \uparrow & \searrow \uparrow & & \searrow \uparrow \\ \nu_1 & \nu_2 & \nu_3 & \dots & \nu_{n-2} \end{array}$$

$$\approx \begin{matrix} \delta_1 & \delta_2 \\ \delta_1 & \delta_2 \\ \delta_1 \end{matrix}$$

Claim. GT-patterns w/ top row  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$  are in bijection with SSYT's of shape  $\lambda$  filled with entries  $\leq n$ .

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 5 & 6 \end{array}$$



$\lambda^{(i)}$  is the partition filled w/ entries  $\leq i$   
 ~~$\lambda^{(i)}$~~   $\subseteq \lambda^{(i)} \subseteq \dots \subseteq \lambda^{(n)}$

write parts of  $\lambda^{(i)}$  in  $i$ th row from the bottom

$\lambda^{(i)} / \lambda^{(i-1)}$  is a horizontal strip for any  $i$ .

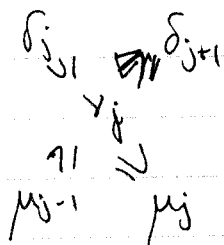
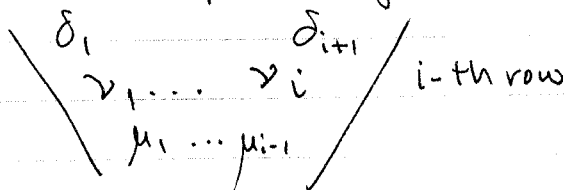
Claim.  $\lambda / \mu$  is a horizontal strip if and only if  $\lambda_1 \geq \mu_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \mu_2 \geq \dots$

Example when GT-patterns are more convenient than tableaux.

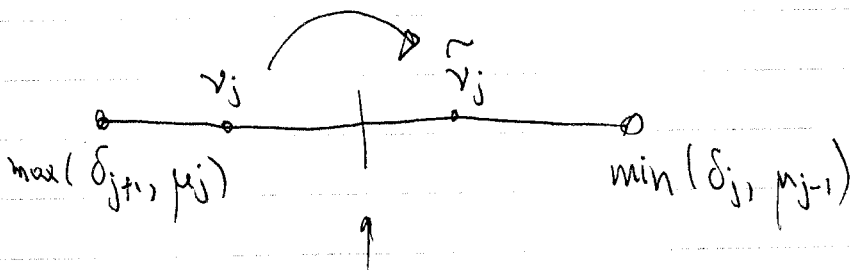
$$\tilde{s}_i: T \leftrightarrow T$$

switches  $\beta_i$  w/  $\beta_{i+1}$  in the weight of  $T$

Operation  $\tilde{s}_i$  on GT-patterns: only acts on  $i$ th row from bottom.



$$\nu_j \in [\max(\delta_{j+1}, \mu_j), \min(\delta_j, \mu_{j-1})]$$



Claim. The operation  $\tilde{s}_j: P \rightarrow \tilde{P}$  corresponds to the transformation replacing  $(\nu_1, \dots, \nu_i) \nu$  with  $(\tilde{\nu}_1, \dots, \tilde{\nu}_i) \nu$  in the corresponding GT-patterns.

GT-polytope: fix top row of GT-pattern

$$GT(x) = \left\{ (x_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{\binom{n}{2}} \mid \begin{array}{c} \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n \\ \begin{array}{ccc} \nearrow & \nearrow & \nearrow \\ x_{12} & x_{23} & x_{n-1,n} \end{array} \\ \vdots \\ x_{13} \ x_{24} \\ \vdots \\ x_{14} \ x_{\dots} \\ \vdots \\ x_{1n} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{Vol}(GT(\lambda)) \approx \#\{\text{SSYT of shape } \lambda \text{ with entries } \leq n\}$$

$$\text{Vol}(GT(n)) = \frac{1}{1! 2! \dots (n-1)!} \prod_{i < j} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)$$

Digression  $[m]_q = 1 + q + q^2 + \dots + q^{m-1} = \frac{1-q^m}{1-q}$

$$[n!]_q = [1]_q \dots [n]_q$$

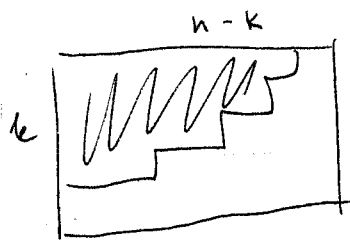
$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \frac{[n]!}{[k]! [n-k]!}$$

Theorem (1)  $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q$  is a polynomial with positive integer coeffs.

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = a_0 + a_1 q + a_2 q^2 + \dots + a_N q^N, \quad N = k(n-k)$$

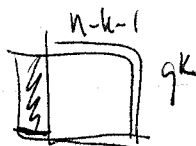
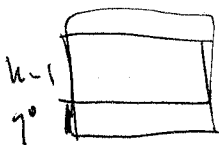
$a_i$  are called Gaussian coeffs

(2)  $a_i = \#\{\text{partitions } \lambda \text{ s.t. } |\lambda| = i \text{ and } \lambda \leq k \times (n-k)\}$



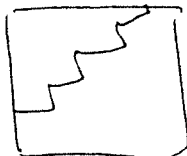
1st proof:  $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_q + q^k \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q$

$$\text{Let } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \sum_{\lambda \subset k \times (n-k)} q^{|\lambda|} \quad ; \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} + q^k$$



Theorem.  $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \frac{[n]_q!}{[k]_q! [n-k]_q!}$

$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \sum_{\lambda \leq k \times (n-k)} q^{|\lambda|}$



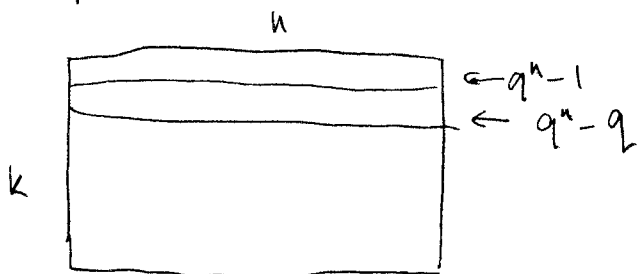
2nd proof.  $Gr_{kn}(\mathbb{F}_q) =$  set of  $k$ -dimensional linear subspaces in  $(\mathbb{F}_q)^n$

$q = p^k$ ,  $p$ -prime  $\mathbb{F}_q$  - finite field w/  $q$  elts  
in more elementary terms:

$Gr_{kn}(\mathbb{F}_q) =$  set of  $\{k \times n$  matrices w/ elts in  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of rank  $k\}$  / row operations

↑ Grassmannian

↑ modulo



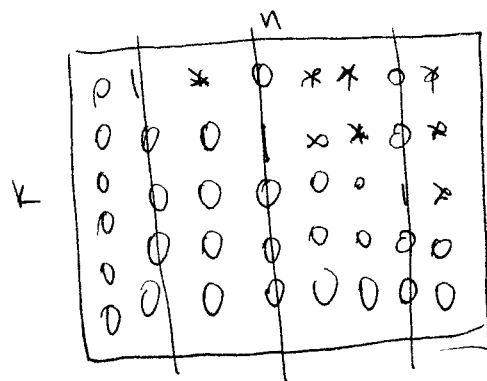
$\# Gr_{kn}(\mathbb{F}_q) = \frac{(q^n - 1) \cdot (q^n - q) (q^n - q^2) \dots (q^n - q^{n-1})}{(q^k - 1) (q^k - q) \dots (q^k - q^{k-1})}$

↙ row operations  
i.e. left action of  
nondig.  $k \times k$  matrices

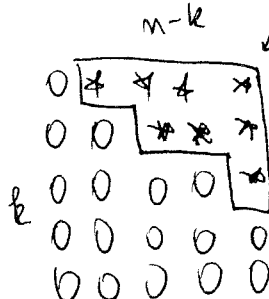
$= \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q$

every matrix can be transformed <sup>by row operations</sup> into echelon form

Gaussian elimination



remove all  
zeros that  
have 1



Young diagram  
inside  $k \times (n-k)$   
rectangle.

→  $q^{\#}$  #'s

⇒ Proved theorem for  $q = p^k$   
→ follows for all  $q$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k+l \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = a_0 + a_1 q + \dots + a_{k+l} q^{k+l}$$

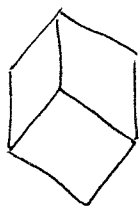
Theorem. The sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  is symmetric ( $a_i = a_{k+l-i}$ ) and unimodal.

$$a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{\lfloor \frac{k+l}{2} \rfloor} \geq \dots \geq a_{k+l}$$

Sylvester's proof... but before: more general setting

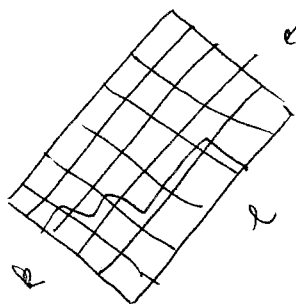
$P$  poset (partially ordered set)

$\lambda \subseteq P$  is order ideal if  $x \in \lambda, y \prec x \Rightarrow y \in \lambda$



Hasse diagram

$J(P)$  - lattice of order ideals



$k \times l$

order ideals of poset in 1-1 corr. w/ Young diagrams that fit in  $k \times l$  rectangle

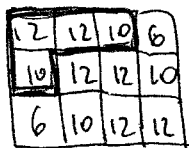
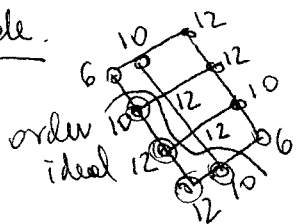
$J(P)_r$  = set of order ideals with  $r$  elements

For  $\lambda \in J(P)$ , let  $\text{add}(\lambda) = \{x \in P \mid \lambda \cup \{x\} \in J(P)\}$   
 $\text{remove}(\lambda) = \{y \in \lambda \mid \lambda - \{y\} \in J(P)\}$

Lemma. Fix  $r$ . Suppose that there exists a weight function on  $P$ ,  $w: P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

s.t.  $\forall \lambda \in J(P)_r$  we have  $\sum_{x \in \text{add}(\lambda)} w(x) > \sum_{y \in \text{remove}(\lambda)} w(y)$ . Then  $\# J(P)_r \leq \# J(P)_{r+1}$

Example.



$$\lambda = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3 addible boxes:  $6 + 12 + 6 > 10 + 10$

$\mathcal{U}$ :  $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \mapsto \sqrt{6} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + \sqrt{12} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + \sqrt{6} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$  removable boxes

$\mathcal{D}$ :  $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \mapsto \sqrt{10} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + \sqrt{10} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$

$$\lambda \in J(\mathbb{C})$$

Proof.  $U, D$  act on linear combinations of ~~Young diagrams~~ ~~that  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$~~

$$U: \lambda \rightarrow \sum_{\substack{\mu = \lambda \cup \{x\} \\ x \in \text{add}(\lambda)}} \sqrt{w(x)} (\lambda \cup \{x\})$$

$$D: \lambda \rightarrow \sum_{\mu \in \text{remove}(\lambda)} \sqrt{w(\mu)} (\lambda \setminus \{y\})$$

Claim  $H = DU - UD$  has diagonal form

$$H: \lambda \mapsto \left( \sum_{x \in \text{add}(\lambda)} \sqrt{w(x)} \sqrt{w(x)} - \sum_{y \in \text{remove}(\lambda)} \sqrt{w(y)} \sqrt{w(y)} \right) \lambda$$

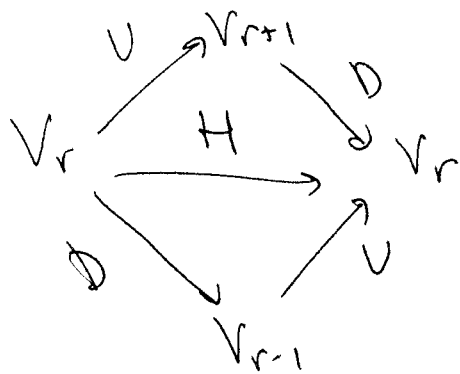
$$DU = UD + H = D^T \cdot D + H$$

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 $\downarrow$  symm, real, eigenvalues are  $\geq 0$   
 $\rightarrow$  Hermitian matrix, positive semidefinite (all eigenvalues  $\geq 0$ )

$H$  is <sup>Hermitian</sup> positive definite (all eigenvalues  $> 0$ )

Fact. (positive semidefinite) + (positive definite) is a positive definite matrix.

Let  $V_r$  be space of linear combinations of  $\lambda \in J(\mathbb{C})_r$



$DU: V_r \rightarrow V_r$  is positive definite  $\Rightarrow$  nondegenerate

$DU$  has rank =  $\dim V_r$

$DU: V_r \rightarrow V_{r+1} \rightarrow V_r$  since  $\text{rank } DU > \dim V_r \Rightarrow \dim V_{r+1} > \dim V_r$

$U = D^T$  because:

$$U: v_i \mapsto \sum_j a_{ij} v_j$$

$$D: v_j \mapsto \sum_i a_{ij} v_i$$

in our case  $a_{ij} = \sqrt{w(\cdot)}$

Take  $w(x) = \underbrace{(l - c(x))}_l \cdot \underbrace{(k + c(x))}_l$

$l_2$	4.3	3.4	2.3	1.6
	5.2	4.3	3.4	2.5
	6.1	5.2	4.3	3.4

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	5.2	4.3	3.4	2.5
	6.1	5.2	4.3	3.4

lemma.  $\sum_{x \in \text{add}(\lambda)} w(x) - \sum_{y \in \text{remove}(\lambda)} w(y) = k \cdot l - 2|\lambda| \quad (\star)$

By above lemma we want  $\#J(P)_r \leq \#J(P)_{r+1}$ , so need  $\sum_{x \in \text{add}} w(x) \geq \sum_{y \in \text{remove}} w(y)$

$\Rightarrow$  This works for  $r = |\lambda| < kl/2$  we get:  $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{\lfloor \frac{kl}{2} \rfloor}$ .

$a_{\lfloor \frac{kl}{2} \rfloor} \geq \dots \geq a_{kl}$  by symmetry.

So it remains to prove identity  $(\star)$ .

Proof of lemma.

$$W_\lambda = \sum_{x \in \text{add}(\lambda)} w(x) - \sum_{y \in \text{remove}(\lambda)} w(y)$$

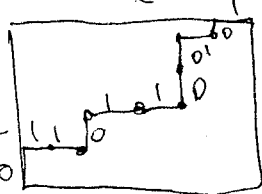
get sequence:  $\underline{0} \ \underline{1} \ \underline{0} \ \underline{1} \ \underline{0} \ \underline{1} \ \underline{0} \ \underline{1} \ \underline{0} \ \underline{0} \dots$  (not this picture though!)  $\equiv (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{k+l})$

addable boxes: where 0 followed by 1!

removable boxes: 1 followed by 0.

$$W_\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^{k+l-1} (\varepsilon_{i+1} - \varepsilon_i) \cdot \underbrace{i \cdot (k+l-i)}_{\text{weight}} = (\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1) (k+l-1) \cdot 1 + (\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2) (k+l-2) \cdot 2 + \dots$$

$$= (1-k-l) \cdot \varepsilon_1 + (3-k-l) \varepsilon_2 + (5-k-l) \varepsilon_3 + \dots = -k(1+k+l) + 2 \sum_i i \varepsilon_i$$





Proof by induction.  $\lambda = \emptyset$ ,  $(\epsilon_1 \dots \epsilon_{k+1}) = (\underbrace{0 \dots 0}_e \underbrace{1 \dots 1}_e)$  We have  $W_\emptyset = k \cdot l$

Suppose  $\mu = \lambda \cup \{x\}$

$$\lambda = (\dots 01 \dots)$$

$$\mu = (\dots 10 \dots)$$

$$W_\mu = W_\lambda - 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{ltos}$$


$k \cdot l - 2|x|$  also decreases by 2.

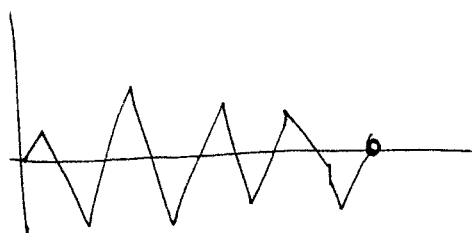
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Action of  $SL_2$  : U, D, H

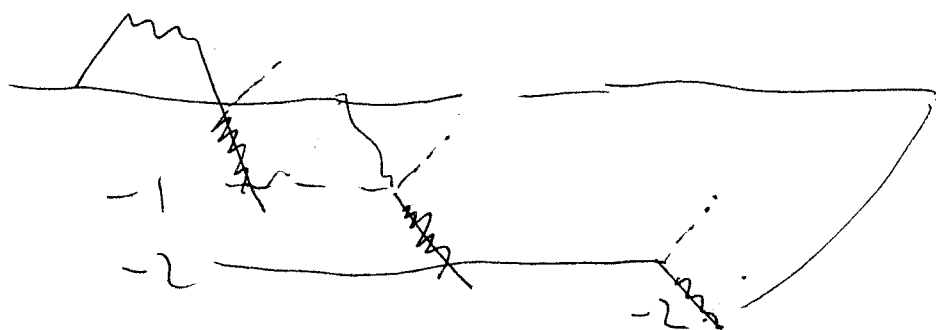
E, F, H  $\rightarrow$  generate action of Lie algebra  $sl_2$ !

usually, this kind of unimodality results come from representation theory  $\rightarrow$  actions of.

1 b)   $n = 2k$   $\binom{n}{n/2}$



$\leftarrow$  clearly  $\binom{n}{n/2}$   
# objects like this



symmetry:  
 $a_i = a_{N-i}$

unimodal:  $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor} \geq \dots \geq a_N$

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At most 6 problems. Few facts common for PSET 3.

Can use following facts:  $s_{\lambda/\mu} = \sum_{T \in \text{SSYT}(\lambda/\mu)} x^{\text{weight}(T)} \in \Lambda$  ring of symmetric facts

Involution  $\psi: \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$  homomorphism,  $w: s_{\lambda/\mu} \mapsto s_{(\lambda/\mu)'}$

Jacobi-Trudi identity  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ ,  $s_\lambda = \det(h_{\lambda_i - i + j})_{i,j=1}^n$

$h_0 = 1$ ,  $h_k = 0$   $k < 0$ ,  $h_k = \sum_{i_1 \leq i_2 \leq \dots \leq i_k} x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_k}$  complete homogeneous symm fact

$$s_{\lambda/\mu} = \det(h_{\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j})_{i,j=1}^n$$

$$s_{3/11} = \begin{vmatrix} h_3 & h_4 & h_5 \\ h_0 & h_1 & h_2 \\ 0 & h_0 & h_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Classical defn of  $s_\lambda$ :  $s_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\det(x_j^{\lambda_i + n - i})_{i,j=1}^n}{\prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)}$

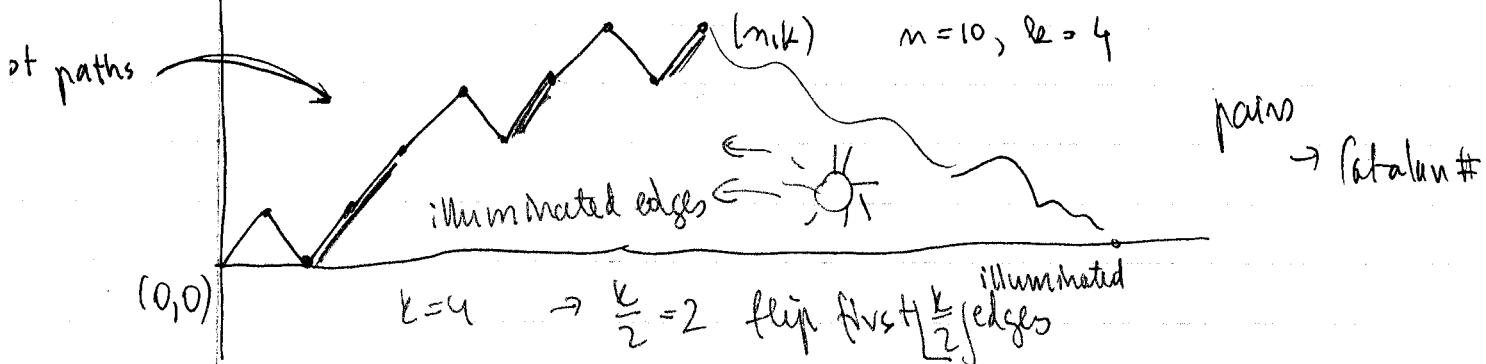
$$s_{3/11}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1^5 & x_2^5 & x_3^5 \\ x_1^2 & x_2^2 & x_3^2 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

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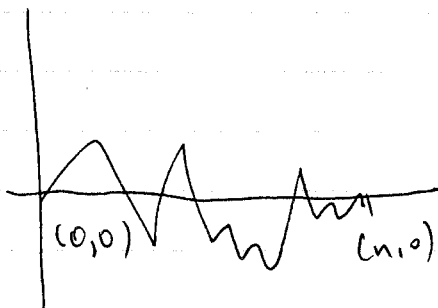

$$(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - x_3)(x_2 - x_3)$$

PSET 2, solutions. ① a)  $\begin{matrix} \overbrace{1\ 3\ 4}^n \\ \hline 2\ 6\ 9 \\ \hline \underbrace{5\ 7\ 8\ 10}_k \end{matrix}$

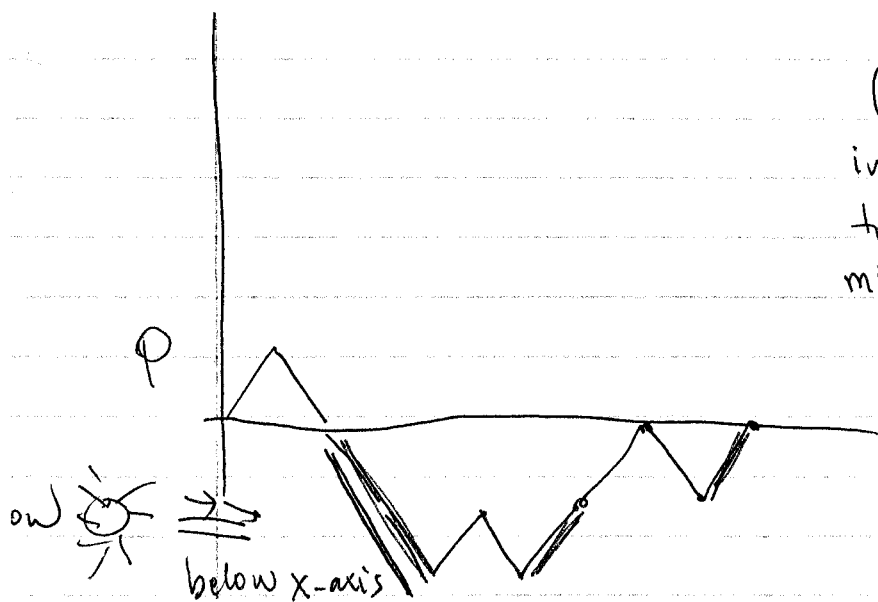
$$\sum_{\lambda=(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)} (f^\lambda)^2$$



b)  $\sum_{\lambda=(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)} f^\lambda = \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$  → # paths from  $(0,0) \rightarrow (n,0)$   
 $n$  even →  $(n,0)$   
 $n$  odd →  $(n,1)$



Claim. Ballot paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,k)$  are in bijection w/ all lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,0)$  (or  $(n,1)$  if  $n$  odd) s.t. minimum of  $P = -\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor$ .



②  $(n-1)$ -dim'l repr is  $\cong V_{(n,1)}$

$$u_i = (1\ 0 \dots 0\ -1\ 0 \dots 0) \quad \{u_i\} \text{ are basis of } \uparrow_{i \text{th}}$$

$$B = \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^k u_i \right\}_{k=2}^n$$

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$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= (1\ 1\ 0 \dots) \\ v_2 &= (1\ 1\ -2\ 0 \dots) \\ v_3 &= (1\ 1\ 1\ -3\ 0 \dots) \\ v_n &= (1\ 1\ 1\ 1\ -4\ 0 \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Xyactym  $v_3$

$$\begin{array}{r} (1\ 4) \quad -3 \quad 1 \quad 1 \\ (2\ 4) \quad 1 \quad -3 \quad 1 \\ (3\ 4) \quad \underline{1 \quad -3 \quad 1} \\ \hline \quad \quad -1 \quad -1 \quad 3 \end{array}$$

	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$	$v_5$
$x_1$	0	0	0	0	0
$x_2$	-1	1	1	1	1
$x_3$	1	-1	2	2	2
$x_4$	2	2	-1	3	3
	3	3	3		

$$I \subseteq [n-1], \quad S(I) = \{j \mid |e_{j+1} + I| \cap I| = 1\}$$



$$S(\{1, 3, 4, 6\}) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$\beta(I) = \#$  num w/ descent at  $I$

PS3: (7) if  $S(I) \supseteq S(J)$  then  $\beta(I) \geq \beta(J)$

$$(8) (x_1 + x_2 + \dots)^n = \sum_{\kappa \text{ } n\text{-ribbon}} s_{\kappa}$$

(9)

(10)  $K_{\lambda \mu} \leq K_{\lambda \nu}$ , when  $\mu \geq \nu$  in dominance order.

### Symmetric functions

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$$\Lambda = \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{S_n} \quad (\text{in the category of graded rings})$$

$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  partition  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$

$$m_{\lambda} = \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_{\ell} \\ \text{distinct}}} x_{i_1}^{\lambda_1} \dots x_{i_{\ell}}^{\lambda_{\ell}} \quad \text{monomial symm frcts}$$

$$m_2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots$$

$$m_{11} = \sum_{i < j} x_i x_j$$

$$m_{21} = \sum_{i < j} (x_i^2 x_j + x_i x_j^2)$$

$$e_k = m_{1^k}, \quad h_k = \sum_{|\lambda|=k} m_\lambda, \quad p_k = m_{(k)} = x_1^k + x_2^k + \dots$$

$\uparrow$  elementary                       $\uparrow$  complete homog.                       $\uparrow$  power symm fact

$$e_\lambda = e_{\lambda_1} \dots e_{\lambda_k} \quad h_\lambda = h_{\lambda_1} \dots h_{\lambda_k} \quad p_\lambda = p_{\lambda_1} \dots p_{\lambda_k}$$

Fundamental Theorem of Symm Fracts (FTSF)  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}[e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots]$

Similarly,  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}[h_1, h_2, \dots]$   $\uparrow \uparrow$   
alg. indep.

$$\Lambda \neq \mathbb{Z}[p_1, p_2, \dots]$$

$$\Lambda \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}[p_1, p_2, \dots]$$

symm  
fract w/ rat. coeff

Theorem.  $\Lambda$  has  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis (as a linear space)  $\{m_\lambda\}, \{e_\lambda\}, \{h_\lambda\}$

and  $\mathbb{Q}$ -basis  $\{p_\lambda\}$

Claim.  $\dim$  of  $\Lambda^k$  ( $k$ -th graded component of  $\Lambda$ ) =  $p(k)$  = # partitions of  $k$

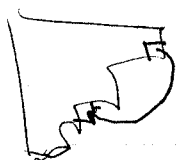
Dominance order on partitions

$$\lambda, \mu : |\lambda| = |\mu|$$

$$\lambda \succcurlyeq \mu \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 \geq \mu_1, \quad \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \geq \mu_1 + \mu_2$$

Claim dominance order is generated by following relations:

$$(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) > (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{i-1}, \dots, \lambda_{j+1}, \dots) \quad i < j$$



get something less in dominance order.

Corollary.  $\lambda \succcurlyeq \mu \Leftrightarrow \lambda' \leq \mu'$

Lemma.  $e_{\lambda'} = m_{\lambda} + \sum_{\mu \prec \lambda} a_{\lambda\mu} m_{\mu}$ ,  $a_{\lambda\mu} \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Dominance order is compatible with lexicographic order.

Proof.  $e_{3,2} = \left( \sum_{i < j < k} x_i x_j x_k \right) \left( \sum_{\lambda \prec \mu} x_{\lambda} x_{\mu} \right) = (x_1 x_2 x_3) (x_1 x_2) + \dots$

$$= m_{(3,2)'} + \sum_{\mu \prec (3,2)'} a_{\lambda\mu} m_{\mu}$$

$\uparrow$   
 in lexicographic

but can assume this is dominance order

Lemma. (1)  $\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r e_r h_{n-r} = \begin{cases} 0 & n > 0 \\ 1 & n = 0 \end{cases}$

$$(2) m h_n = \sum_{r=1}^n p_r h_{n-r}$$

$$(2)' n e_n = \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^r p_r e_{n-r}$$

Proof.  $E(t) = \sum_{r \geq 0} e_r t^r = \prod_{i \geq 1} (1 + x_i t)$

$$H(t) = \sum_{r \geq 0} h_r t^r = \prod_{i \geq 1} \frac{1}{(1 - x_i t)}$$

$$E(t) H(-t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(t) &= \sum_{r \geq 1} p_r t^{r-1} = \sum_{i, r \geq 1} x_i^r t^{r-1} = \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{x_i}{1 - x_i t} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \sum_{i \geq 1} \log \left( \frac{1}{1 - x_i t} \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} \log \prod_{i \geq 1} \frac{1}{1 - x_i t} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \log H(t) \right) = \frac{H'(t)}{H(t)} \Rightarrow H'(t) = P(t) H(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Theorem.  $\{m_\lambda\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\Lambda$  by definition

$\{e_\lambda\}$  related to  $\{m_\lambda\}$  by a triangular transformation

$\{e_\lambda\}$  is expressed thru basis  $m_\lambda$  by triangular matrix <sup>w/ 1's on diag</sup>  $m_{\lambda\mu}$

$$e_\lambda = m_\lambda + \sum_{\mu < \lambda} a_{\lambda\mu} m_\mu$$

$\Rightarrow \{e_\lambda\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis.

$$(1): h_n - h_{n-1}e_1 + h_{n-2}e_2 - \dots = 0$$

expressed  $\rightarrow$  express  $h_n$

so  $h_n$  can be expressed as a polynomial in  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  w/ integer coeffs. and vice versa.

$\Rightarrow \{h_\lambda\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis.

$h_n$  can be expressed in terms of  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  with coeffs in  $\mathbb{Q}$  and vice versa (by (2))

$\Rightarrow \{p_\lambda\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -basis of  $\Lambda$ .

### Schur functions

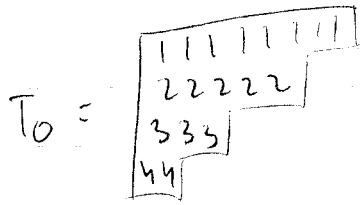
$$s_\lambda = \sum_{\beta \text{ compositions}} K_{\lambda\beta} x^\beta, \quad K_{\lambda\beta} = \# \text{SSYT}(\lambda) \text{ wright } \beta$$

$$= \sum_{\mu \text{ partitions}} K_{\lambda\mu} m_\mu$$

Lemma. For two partitions  $\lambda, \mu$ ,  $|\lambda| = |\mu|$  (1)  $K_{\lambda\lambda} = 1$  (2) if  $K_{\lambda\mu} \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow \mu \leq \lambda$   
in dominance order

Proof.



$K_{\lambda\lambda} = 1$   
trivially.

any other SSYT of shape  $\lambda$  is obtained from  $T_0$  by swaps of some  $i$ 's w/  $j$ 's,  $i < j$ .

just change.  
not bother any other entry

Every time subtract 1 from  $i$ -th component of weight & add 1 to  $j$ -th

$$\Rightarrow \mu \leq \lambda.$$

$S_\lambda$  is also a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis, since matrix between  $S_\lambda, m_\lambda$  is upper triangular.

Theorem.  $\{S_\lambda\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\Delta$ .

Proof. The Kostka matrix  $(K_{\lambda\mu})$  is upper triangular, with 1's on the diagonal.

In particular it is invertible. etc.

$$S_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} K_{\lambda\mu} m_{\mu}$$

theorem.

$$h_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} K_{\mu\lambda} s_{\mu} \quad \text{To see this we introduce inner product.}$$

Scalar product on  $\Delta$ .

$$\text{Claim. } \prod_{i,j \geq 1} \frac{1}{1-x_i y_j} \stackrel{\text{Cauchy}}{=} \sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda}(x) \cdot s_{\lambda}(y) = \sum_{\lambda} h_{\lambda}(x) m_{\lambda}(y)$$

Proof. (1) Cauchy

$$(2) \prod_{i,j \geq 1} \frac{1}{1-x_i y_j} = \prod_j H(y_j) = \prod_{j \geq 1} \left( \sum_{r \geq 0} h_r(x) y_j^r \right) = \sum_{\alpha\text{-composition}} h_{\alpha}(x) y^{\alpha}$$



$$= \sum_{\lambda \text{ partition}} h_{\lambda}(x) m_{\lambda}(y) \quad \square$$

Define scalar product on  $\Lambda$  by  $\langle h_{\lambda}, m_{\mu} \rangle = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$ , for  $\{h_{\lambda}\}, \{m_{\mu}\}$  are dual bases.

Lemma Two bases of  $\Lambda$   $\{u_{\lambda}\}, \{v_{\mu}\}$

TFAE:

(1)  $\langle u_{\lambda}, v_{\mu} \rangle = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$

(2)  $\sum_{\lambda} u_{\lambda}(x) v_{\lambda}(y) = \prod \frac{1}{1-x_i y_j}$

PROOF:

$$u_{\lambda} = \sum_{\rho} a_{\lambda\rho} h_{\rho}, \quad v_{\mu} = \sum_{\sigma} b_{\mu\sigma} m_{\sigma}$$

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\rho} a_{\lambda\rho} \cdot b_{\mu\rho} = \delta_{\lambda\mu} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$A \cdot B^T = I$$

$$(2) \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\lambda} u_{\lambda}(x) v_{\lambda}(y) = \sum_{\rho} h_{\rho}(x) m_{\rho}(y) \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\lambda} a_{\lambda\rho} b_{\lambda\sigma} = \delta_{\rho\sigma} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$A^T B = I \Leftrightarrow (1) \quad \square$$

Corollary:  $\{s_{\lambda}\}$  is an orthogonal basis of  $\Lambda$ .

Dualize  $s_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} K_{\lambda\mu} m_{\mu}$  you get  $h_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} K_{\mu\lambda} s_{\mu}$ .

Involution  $w$   $w: \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$  homomorphism, given by  $w(h_k) = e_k$ .

Theorem:

(1)  $w(h_{\lambda}) = e_{\lambda}$

(2)  $w(e_{\lambda}) = h_{\lambda}$

(3)  $w(s_{\lambda}) = s_{\lambda}$

Proof. (1) by defn. (3)  $\sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda}(x) s_{\lambda}(y) = \prod \frac{1}{1-x_i y_j} = \prod H(y_j) = \sum_{\lambda} e_{\lambda}(x) m_{\lambda}(y)$

Apply  $w \otimes$  (that depend on  $x$ )

$$\sum_{\lambda} w(s_{\lambda}(x)) s_{\lambda}(y) = \sum_{\lambda} w(h_{\lambda}(x)) m_{\lambda}(y) = \prod E(y_j)$$

$$= \prod_{i,j \neq \emptyset} (1+x_i y_j) = \sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda}(x) s_{\lambda}(y) \Rightarrow \boxed{s_{\lambda}(x) = w(s_{\lambda}(x))}$$

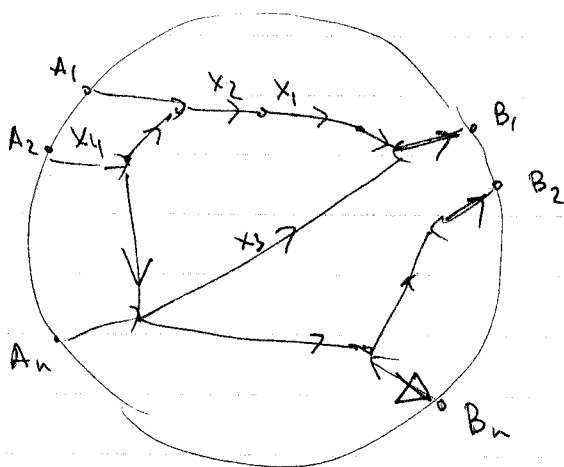
dual Cauchy form basis

From (3)  $w(s_n) = s_n \Rightarrow w^2(s_n) = s_n \Rightarrow w$  involution  $\Rightarrow$   
 (1)  $\Rightarrow w(e_n) = h_n$ .

also  $e_k$ -special case of Schur fact, and  $h_k$ -special case of Schur fact.

### Lindström Lemma (aka Gessel-Viennot method)

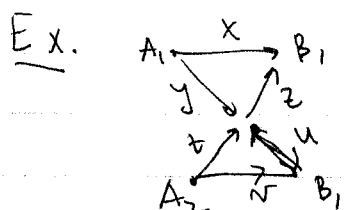
$G$  is a planar acyclic digraph with sources  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  (on the left) and sinks  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  (on the right) with weights assigned to edges.



Let  $M_{ij} = \sum_{p: A_i \rightarrow B_j} \prod_{e \in p} \text{weight}(e)$

$M = (M_{ij})$   $n \times n$  matrix

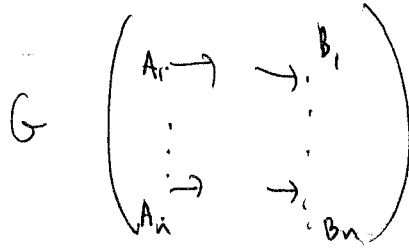
Lindström lemma.  $\det(M) = \sum_{\substack{p_1: A_1 \rightarrow B_1 \\ p_2: A_2 \rightarrow B_2 \\ \dots \\ p_n: A_n \rightarrow B_n \\ p_1, \dots, p_n \text{ are noncrossing paths}}} \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{e \in p_i} \text{weight}(e)$



$$\begin{vmatrix} x + yz & yz \\ tz & tu + v \end{vmatrix} = x \cdot v + yz \cdot v + x \cdot tu$$

Lindström's lemma.

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 $G$  planar digraph

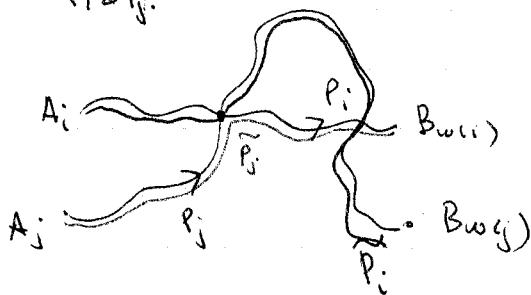
$$M_{ij} = \sum_{P: A_i \rightarrow B_j} \text{weight}(P)$$

Proof.  $\det M = \sum_{w \in S_n} (-1)^w \sum \prod \text{weight}(P_i)$

$\det(M_{ij}) = \sum_{\substack{P_i: A_i \rightarrow B_{w(i)} \\ \vdots \\ P_n: A_n \rightarrow B_{w(n)} \\ \text{noncrossing}}} \prod \text{weight}(P_i)$  (no common edges)

$\sum \prod \text{weight}(P_i)$

$P_1: A_1 \rightarrow B_{w(1)}$   
 $P_2: A_2 \rightarrow B_{w(2)}$   
 $\vdots$   
 $P_n: A_n \rightarrow B_{w(n)}$

Involution principle  $P = (P_1, \dots, P_n)$  collection of paths with an intersection.Find lexicographically minimal pair  $(i, j)$  s.t.  $P_i \cap P_j \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x$  = first common pt of  $P_i \cap P_j$ .Let  $\tilde{P}_i, \tilde{P}_j$  be two paths obtained from  $P_i, P_j$  by swapping their tails at  $x$ .Define map  $\iota: P \rightarrow (P_1, \dots, \tilde{P}_i, \dots, \tilde{P}_j, \dots, P_n)$  =  $\tilde{P}$ 1)  $\iota$  is an involution2)  $\iota$  changes the sign of  $w$ , so contribution of path  $P$  cancels contribution of  $\tilde{P} \rightarrow$ 

we can disregard crossing paths in formula for determinant

If all weights in our graph  $G$  are nonnegative  $\geq 0$ , then  $M$  is a totally nonnegative matrix (all minors are nonnegative)

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & \dots \\ d & e & f & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix} \quad a, b, c, d, e, f, \dots \geq 0, \quad |a|, |a \ b|, |a \ c|, \dots \geq 0$$

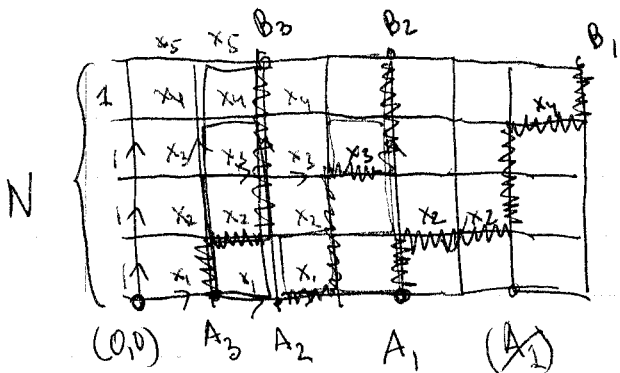
etc. all minors  $\geq 0$ ...

More subtle result: Inverse claim: Each TNY (totally nonnegative matrix) comes from some planar graph with nonnegative weights.

Jacobi-Trudi identity

$$\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n), \mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n), \lambda \geq \mu$$

$$s_{\lambda/\mu} = \det (h_{\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j})_{i,j=1}^n$$



$$A_i = (\mu_i + n - i, 0)$$

$$B_j = (\lambda_j + n - j, N)$$

$$\lambda = (5, 3, 2) \quad N = 5$$

$$\mu = (2, 1, 1) \quad n = 3$$

if  $\mu = (1, 1, 1)$   
all vertical edges weight 1

N will be # variables. will let it go to  $\infty$

$$M_{33} = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = h_1(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

$$M_{22} = x_1 x_1 + x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_2 + \dots = h_2(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

$$M_{ij} = h_{\lambda_j - j - \mu_i + i}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

Lindström lemma  $\Rightarrow$  JT-det =  $\det(M_{ij}) = \sum$  weight(P)

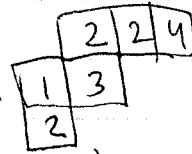
P noncrossing family of paths

Claim: { Families of Noncrossing paths }  $\leftrightarrow$  SSYT's of shape  $\lambda/\mu$

and weight of tableau  $\leftrightarrow$  weight of path.

$$\lambda/\mu = (5, 3, 2) / (2, 1, 1)$$

bee of noncrossing condition



$$\rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow B_1 \quad x_2 x_2 x_4$$

$$A_2 \rightarrow B_1 \quad x_1 x_3$$

$$A_3 \rightarrow B_3 \quad x_2$$

SSYT tableau

! noncrossing  $\Leftrightarrow$  tableau's columns are strictly increasing

So  $\sum_{\mu \text{ noncrossing}} \text{weight}(\mu) = s_{\lambda/\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .  
 family of partitions

Take limit as  $N \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow$  get Jacobi-Trudi identity.

Dual Jacobi-Trudi

$s_{\lambda/\mu}' = \det (e_{\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j})_{i,j=1}^n$  by application of  $\omega$  involution

Classical defn of Schur functions:  $\alpha = \alpha_1 > \alpha_2 > \dots > \alpha_n$

$a_\alpha = \det (x_i^{\alpha_j})_{i,j=1}^n = \begin{vmatrix} x_1^{\alpha_1} & x_2^{\alpha_1} & \dots & x_n^{\alpha_1} \\ x_1^{\alpha_2} & x_2^{\alpha_2} & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ x_1^{\alpha_n} & x_2^{\alpha_n} & & x_n^{\alpha_n} \end{vmatrix}$  generalized Vander Monde determinant

$a_\alpha$  is divisible by  $x_i - x_j \Rightarrow a_\alpha$  is divisible by  $\prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)$

Ex.  $\rho = (n-1, n-2, \dots, 0)$  also denoted by  $d$   
 $a_\rho = \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)$   
 weight, it sum of up all roots  
 divisible & has same degree.

Theorem.  $\lambda = (\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n)$  partition

$(S_\lambda = \frac{a_{\lambda+\rho}}{a_\rho})$   $S_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{a_{\lambda+\rho}}{a_\rho}$   $\leftarrow$  formally equiv. to weyl char formula in type A

a. Let  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$  composition.  $A_\beta = (x_j^{\beta_i})$ ,  $H_\beta = (h_{\beta_i - n + j})$   
 $\in$  in first  $n$  variables  $x_1 \dots x_n$ .  
 $E = ((-1)^{n-i} e_{n-i}^{(j)})$  where  $e_k^{(j)} = e_k(x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n)$  skip  $j$ th variable.

Then  $A_p = H_p \cdot E$

Proof:  $E^{(i)}(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} e_k^{(i)} t^k = \prod_{\substack{i \neq j \\ i=1 \dots n}} (1 + x_i t)$

$H(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} h_k t^k = \prod_i \frac{1}{1 - x_i t}$

$H(t) E^{(i)}(t) = \frac{1}{1 - x_j t}$

extract coeff of  $t^{\beta_i}$

$\sum h_{\beta_i - k} (-1)^k e_k^{(i)} = x_j^{\beta_i}$

$\sum h_{\beta_i - n + r} (-1)^{n-r} e_{n-r}^{(i)} = x_j^{\beta_i}$

↓

$H_p \cdot E = A_p$

Proof of Theorem:  $|A_p| = |H_p| |E|$

||  
 $a_p$

det = 1

Take  $\beta = \rho$ . Then  $a_p = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & h_1 & h_2 & \dots \\ & 1 & h_1 & h_2 & \dots \\ & & 1 & h_1 & h_2 & \dots \\ & & & 1 & h_1 & h_2 & \dots \\ 0 & & & & 1 & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} |E| \Rightarrow |E| = a_p$

Take  $\beta = \lambda + \rho$

$a_{\lambda + \rho} = |H_{\lambda + \rho}| - a_p = |E|$  ⊠

↑ J-T-det for  $\lambda$   
=  $s_\lambda$

$s_\lambda = \frac{a_{\lambda + \rho}}{a_p}$  ⊠

Determinantal formula for  $f^{\lambda/\mu} = \# \text{SYT of shape } \lambda/\mu$ .

Theorem. Pick  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n), \mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n), \lambda \geq \mu, N = |\lambda/\mu|$ .

$$f^{\lambda/\mu} = N! \det \left( \frac{1}{(\lambda_i - i + \mu_j + 1)!} \right)_{i,j=1}^n \quad 0! = 1, \quad k < 0$$

Example.



$$\lambda = (3, 2), \mu = (1, 0)$$

so  $\frac{1}{k!} = 0$ .

$$f^{\lambda/\mu} = 4! \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2!} & \frac{1}{4!} \\ \frac{1}{0!} & \frac{1}{2!} \end{vmatrix} = 4! \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} \right) = 5$$

$$\# \{w_1 < w_2 > w_3 < w_4\} = 5$$

$$\{w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4\}$$

Instead of  $S_{\lambda/\mu} \rightsquigarrow f^{\lambda/\mu}$   
 $\uparrow$  semistandard  $\uparrow$  standard.

$$f^{\lambda/\mu} = [x_1 x_2 \dots x_n]_{S_{\lambda/\mu}} \leftarrow \text{coeff of } x_1 \dots x_n$$

Exponential specialization  $\Delta_{\mathbb{Q}} = \Delta \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  symmetric fct w/ rational coeffs.

$$\text{ex: } \Delta_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[t]$$

$$\Delta_{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{Q}[p_1, p_2, \dots]$$

$$g(p_1, p_2, \dots) \mapsto g(t, 0, 0, \dots)$$

Lemma:  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \Delta_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , then  $\text{ex}(f) = \sum_{n \geq 0} [x_1 \dots x_n] f \cdot \frac{t^n}{n!}$ .

Proof. Enough to prove for  $P_{\lambda} = p_1 p_2 \dots$   $\text{ex}(p_{\lambda}) = \begin{cases} t^{\lambda} & \text{if } \lambda = 1^n \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

$$[x_1 \dots x_n] (x_1^{\lambda_1} + x_2^{\lambda_2} + \dots) (x_1^{\mu_1} + x_2^{\mu_2} + \dots) = \begin{cases} n! & \text{if } \lambda = \mu \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

So lemma true.

$$\text{ex}(s_{\lambda/\mu}) = [x_1 \dots x_n] s_{\lambda/\mu} \frac{t^N}{n!} = f^{\lambda/\mu} \frac{t^N}{n!}$$

$$\text{ex}(h_k) = \frac{t^k}{k!}$$

$$s_{\lambda/\mu} = \det(h_{\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j})$$

ex ↓

$$\frac{f^{\lambda/\mu}}{n!} t^N = \det \left( \frac{1}{(\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j)!} \right) t^N \quad \square$$

Corollary

$$f^\lambda = n! \det \left( \frac{1}{(n_i - i + j)!} \right)_{i,j=1}^n$$

In this case  $\det \left( \frac{1}{(n_i - i + j)!} \right) = \frac{1}{\prod_{\lambda \in \lambda} h(\lambda)}$

{ Symmetric facts } ↔ { Rep of  $S_n$  }

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$\mathbb{R}^n$  = space of class facts on  $S_n$  ( $f(w) = f(uwu^{-1}) \forall u, w \in S_n$ )

Bases {  $\chi_\lambda$  } char of reps

← cycle type

$$\{ c_\mu \} \quad c_\mu(w) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \text{pl}(w) = \mu \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$\Lambda^n$  - homogeneous symm facts of degree  $n$  /  $\mathbb{C}$

Frobenius characteristic map  $\text{ch}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \Lambda^n$

$$\text{ch}: f \mapsto \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{w \in S_n} f(w) p_{\text{pl}(w)}$$

$$= \sum_{\mu \vdash n} z_\mu^{-1} f(\mu) p_\mu$$



$$\frac{n!}{z_\mu} = \# \{w \in S_n \mid f(w) = \mu\}$$

Lemma.  $G$  finite group,  $g \in G$ ,  $C$  - conjugacy class of  $g$

$$H = \{h \in G \mid hgh^{-1} = g\}$$

$$\text{Then } |C| = \frac{|G|}{|H|}$$

Proof.  $G$  acts on itself by conjugations.  $h : g \mapsto hgh^{-1}$

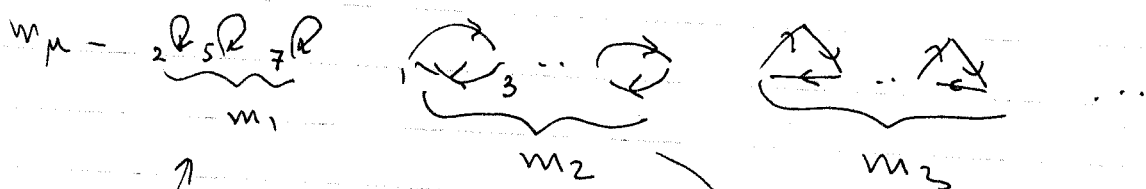
$C$  - orbit of  $g$

$H$  is the stabilizer subgroup of  $g$ .  $\Rightarrow |C| = |G|/|H|$ .

$$\frac{n!}{z_\mu} = \frac{n!}{\# \{u \in S_n \mid u w_\mu u^{-1} = w_\mu\}}$$

(Pick an  $w_\mu$ ,  $f(w_\mu) = \mu$ )

$$\text{Let } \mu = (1^{m_1} 2^{m_2} 3^{m_3} \dots)$$



$u$  has to send any fixed point to fixed...

preserve cycles

& cyclicly shift cycles.

$$z_\mu = 1^{m_1} m_1! \cdot 2^{m_2} m_2! \cdot 3^{m_3} m_3! \dots$$

cyclic shift

num of parts of equal parts

Frobenius Theorem.  $ch$  is an isomorphism of linear spaces.

(1)  $ch(C_\lambda) = Z^{-1} p_\lambda$  (by the definition)

(2)  $ch(X_\lambda) = s_\lambda$

(3)  $ch$  preserves the inner product.

q-analog (of determinantal formula?)

Specialization  $\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[[q]]$  ← ring of formal power series  
 $x_i \mapsto q^{i-1}$

$$s_{\lambda/\mu} \mapsto s_{\lambda/\mu}(1, q, q^2, \dots) = \sum_{T \in SSYT(\lambda/\mu)} q^{\sum (T_{ij} - 1)}$$

$T_{ij} - (i,j)$  entry of

$$h_k(1, q, q^2, \dots) = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 \leq i_2 \leq \dots \leq i_k} q^{(i_1-1) + (i_2-1) + \dots + (i_k-1)}$$

$$= \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_k \geq 0} q^{j_1 + (j_1 + j_2) + (j_1 + j_2 + j_3) + \dots} = \sum q^{k j_1 + (k-1) j_2 + \dots + j_k} =$$

$$= \prod_{l=1}^k \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} q^{l j} \right) = \frac{1}{1-q} \frac{1}{1-q^2} \dots \frac{1}{1-q^k} = \frac{1}{(1-q)^k} \frac{1}{[k]_q!}$$

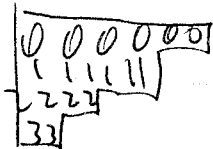
J-T ⇒ Corollary:  $s_{\lambda/\mu}(1, q, q^2, \dots) = \det \left( \frac{1}{(1-q)^{\lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j}} [ \lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j ]_q \right)$

$$= \det \left( \dots \right) = \frac{1}{(1-q)^{|\lambda/\mu|}} \det \left( \frac{1}{[ \lambda_i - i - \mu_j + j ]_q} \right)_{i,j=1}^{\# \text{ rows in } \lambda}$$

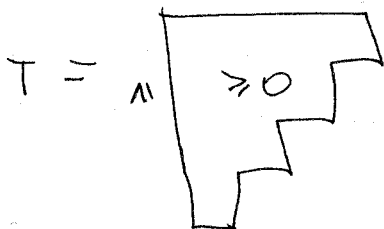
last time we had  $f^{\lambda/\mu} = \det \left( \frac{1}{(x_i - i - \mu_j + j)!} \right)$

Theorem (Stanley)  $s_{\lambda}(1, q, q^2, \dots) = q^{n(\lambda)} \prod_{x \in \lambda} \frac{1}{1 - q^{h(x)}}$

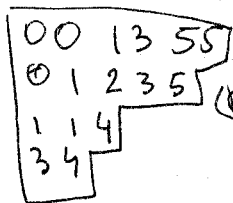
$$n(\lambda) = \sum_i (i-1) \lambda_i$$



Def. Reverse plane partitions (RPP) of shape  $\lambda$



all rows & columns weakly increasing



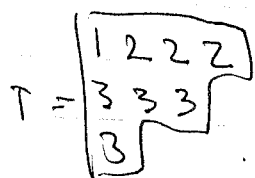
{RPP} in bijection w/ SSYT

SSYT  $\rightarrow$  RPP just subtract  $i$  from elts of the  $i$ th row.

Theorem.  $\sum_{T \in \text{RPP}(\lambda)} q^{\sum T_{ij}} = \prod_{x \in \lambda} \frac{1}{1 - q^{h(x)}}$  (since bijection above just killed  $q^{n(\lambda)}$ )

RHS =  $\sum_{F \leftarrow \text{any function from boxes of } \lambda \text{ to } \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}}$

Hillman-Gross correspondence. HG: {RPP's of shape  $\lambda$ }  $\leftrightarrow$  {function F on boxes of  $\lambda$ }  
 bijection



sum of entries of  $T = \sum \text{entry} \times \text{hook length}$

$2 \cdot 6 + 1 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 2$

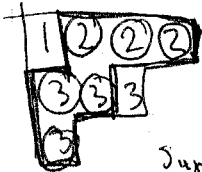
T-RPP  $\rightsquigarrow$  F

Construct the ribbon path  $p$  in  $T$  s.t.

(1)  $p$  starts in the most north east box  $(a,b)$  s.t.  $T_{ab} \neq 0$

(2)  $(i,j) \in p \Rightarrow$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (i,j-1) \in P \wedge T_{i,j-1} = T_{i,j} \\ (i+1,j) \in P \wedge T_{i,j-1} < T_{i,j} \\ (i+1,j) \in \lambda \end{array} \right.$   
 Stop o.w.



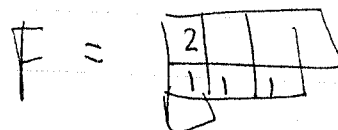
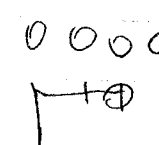
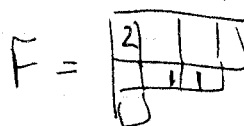
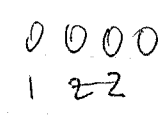
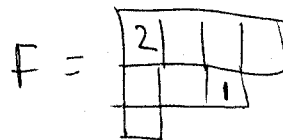
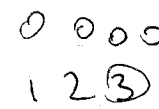
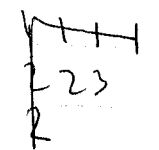
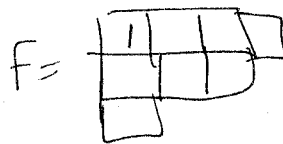
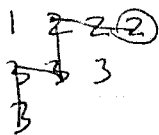
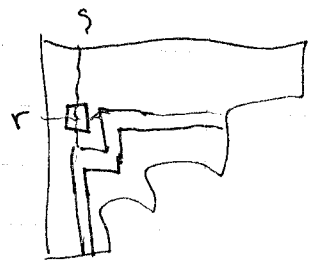
Suppose that  $p$  starts at the  $r$ -th row & ends at the  $s$ -th column.

Then (1) add 1 to  $F(r,s)$

(2) Subtract 1's from all elts of  $P$ .

RPP

Repeat this procedure until we get ~~tableau~~ w/ all 0's.



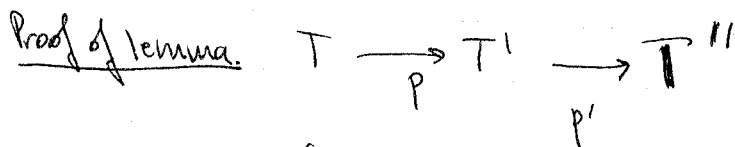
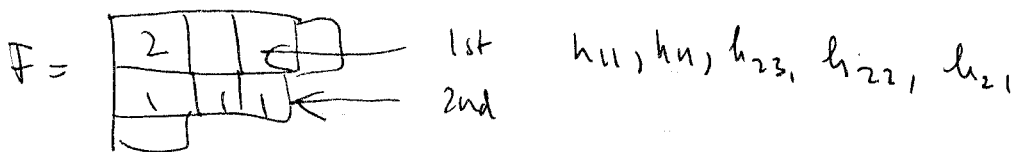
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Need to prove that this is a bijection. So need to show inverse.

So need to figure out how to go from function on boxes  $F$  to tableau  $T$ .

We "decompose"  $T$  into hook-length  $(h_{11}, h_{12}, h_{23}, h_{22}, h_{21})$

Lemma. In this decomposition  $h_{ij}$  occurs before  $h_{i'j'}$  iff  $i < i'$  or  $i = i', j \geq j'$



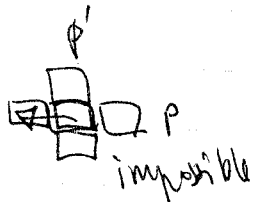
$p$  corresponds to  $h_{ij}$   
 $p' - 11 - h_{i'j'}$

Need  $i < i'$  or  $i = i' \wedge j \geq j'$ .

It is clear that  $i \leq i'$ . If  $i < i'$  then we are done. So assume  $i = i'$ .

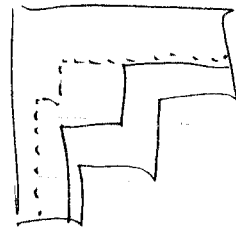
Claim. If  $i = i'$  then  $p'$  is weakly above  $p$ .

Suppose not.



impossible  
skipped.

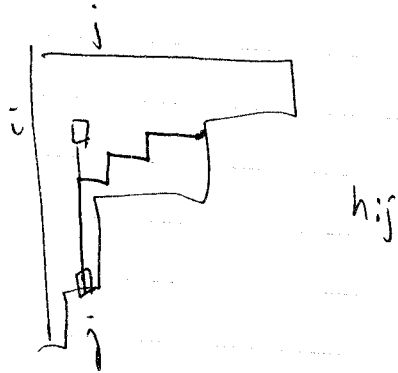
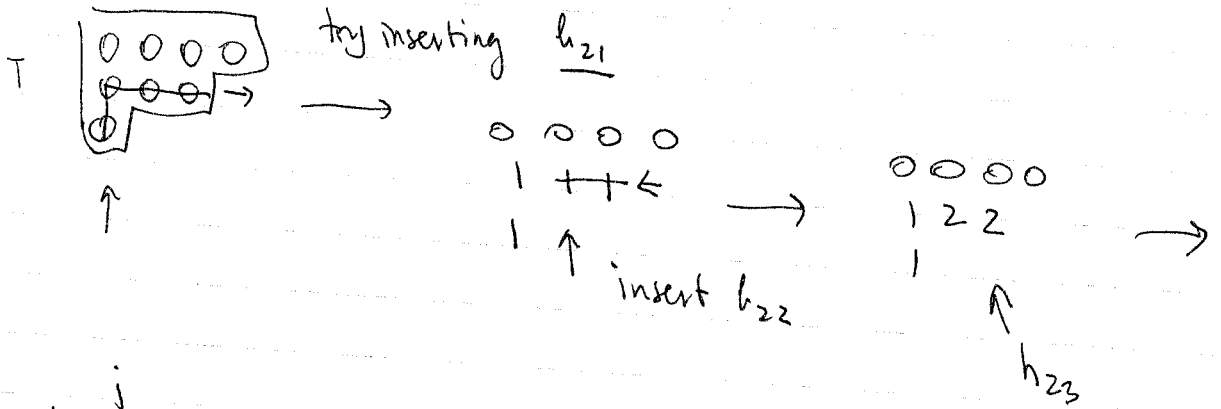
$\Rightarrow j' \leq j$ .



Inverse procedure.

$$F \rightsquigarrow (h_{1j_1} h_{1j_2} \dots h_{1j_r})$$

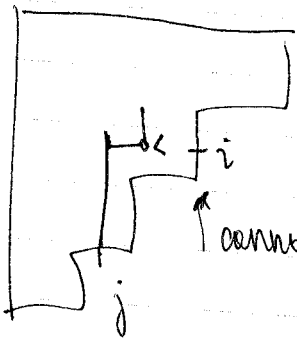
$$F = \begin{matrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \\ 0 & & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow h_{11} h_{11} h_{23} h_{22} h_{21}$$



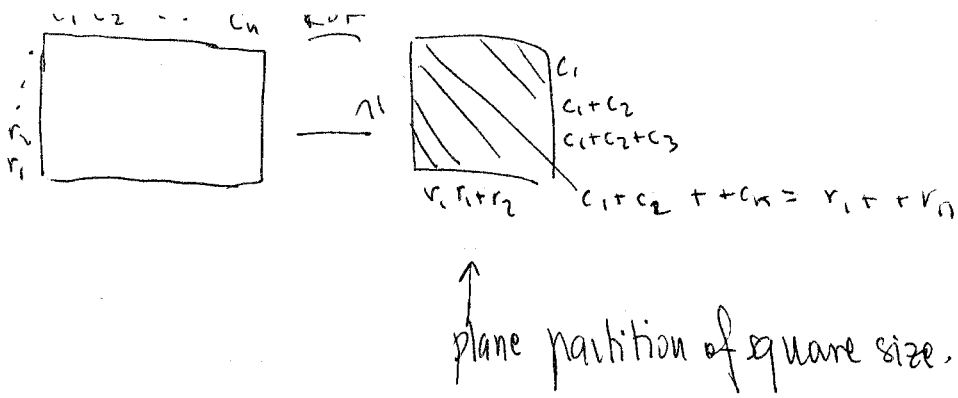
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if  $a = b$  go to right  
o.w. go up

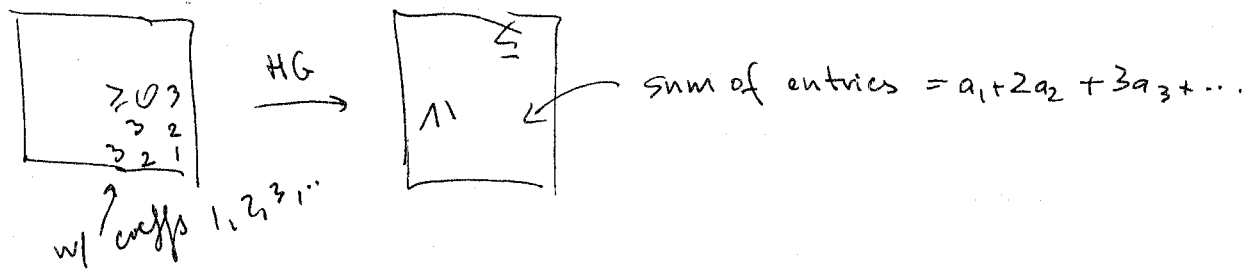
} all horizontal steps  $\text{row } t_0 = \text{euler}$



cannot arrive to  $i \rightarrow$  this never happens.

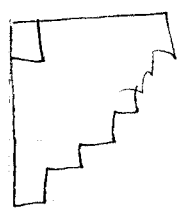


& Hillman-Grassl wrk. gives another bijection between matrices & plane partitions.



11/2/06.

③  $s_{\lambda/\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = [y] s_{\lambda}(y, x_1, \dots, x_n) = [y] s_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) = \sum_{\mu \supset \lambda} s_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$   
symmetric



(b) same but take coeff of  $y^2$

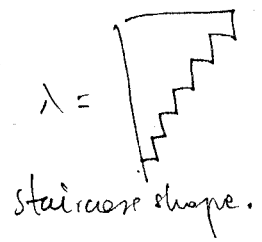
$$s_{\lambda/2} = [y^2] s_{\lambda}(y, x_1, \dots, x_n) = [y^2] s_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) = \sum_{\mu \supset \lambda} s_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$s_{\lambda/2} = \sum_{\nu - \lambda \text{ vertical 2-shp}} s_{\nu}$$

apply  $w$  involution

$$s_{\lambda/2} = s_{\lambda/2} = \sum_{\mu - \lambda \text{ horiz domino}} s_{\mu} - \sum_{\mu - \lambda \text{ vertic domino}} s_{\mu}$$

(c) = 0 ~~so~~ no way to remove a horizontal or vertical domino  $\Rightarrow \lambda =$



④ ASK  $A \rightarrow (P, Q)$   
 $A^T \rightarrow (Q, P)$   
 $A = A^T \rightarrow (P, P)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{4} F_n &= \sum_x \# \text{SSYT}(x, n) q^{|x|} = \sum_{\substack{A\text{-symm } n \times n \\ \text{matrix}}} q^{\sum a_{ij}} = \left( \sum_{a_{11}} q^{a_{11}} \right) \left( \sum_{a_{22}} q^{a_{22}} \right) \dots \left( \sum_{\substack{a_{12} \\ = a_{21}}} q^{a_{12}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \frac{1}{(1-q^2)^{\binom{n}{2}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \# \text{SSYT}(x, n) = s_{\lambda}(1, 1, \dots, 1) = \det \left( \binom{n + \lambda_i - i + j}{\lambda_i - i + j} \right)_{i,j=1}^n = \prod_{i < j} \frac{\lambda_i - i - \lambda_j + j}{j - i}$$

integer points in Gelfand-Tsetlin polytope. So if parts are large volume similar.

$$\text{Volume was } \prod_{i < j} \frac{\lambda_i - \lambda_j}{j - i}$$

Ricky Liu

$$d_i = \lambda_i + n - i. \text{ Want } \det \left( \binom{d_i + j - 1}{n - 1} \right)_{i,j=1}^n$$

rows  $\rightarrow$   $\binom{d_i}{n-1}, \binom{d_{i+1}}{n-1}, \dots, \binom{d_{i+n-1}}{n-1}$

column oper.  $\rightarrow$   $\binom{d_i}{n-1}, \binom{d_i}{n-2}, \binom{d_{i+1}}{n-2}, \dots, \binom{d_{i+n-2}}{n-2}$

$$\binom{d_i}{n-1}, \binom{d_i}{n-2}, \binom{d_i}{n-3}, \binom{d_{i+1}}{n-3}, \dots, \binom{d_{i+n-3}}{n-3}$$

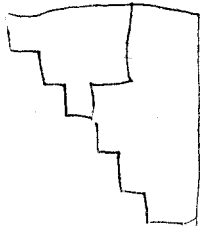
continue until we get:

$$\det \left( \binom{d_i + j - 1}{n - 1} \right)_{i,j=1}^n = \det \left( \binom{d_i}{n - j} \right)_{i,j=1}^n = \prod_j \frac{1}{j^{(n-j)!}} \det(P_{n-j}(d_i)) = \prod_j \frac{1}{(n-j)!} (d_i (d_i - 1) \dots (d_i - n + j + 1))$$

$$\rightarrow \prod_j \frac{1}{(n-j)!} \det(d_i^{n-j}) \quad \square$$



6.



$$\sum_{s \in \mathcal{P}_n} q^{\text{inv}(s)} = (1+q)(1+q^2) \dots (1+q^n)$$

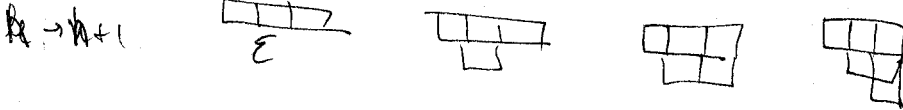
so <sup>problem</sup> product is equivalent to fact that this poly has unimodal coefficients

$\alpha_i \leq n$   
 expand it  $\rightarrow$  terms  
 correspond to set partitions

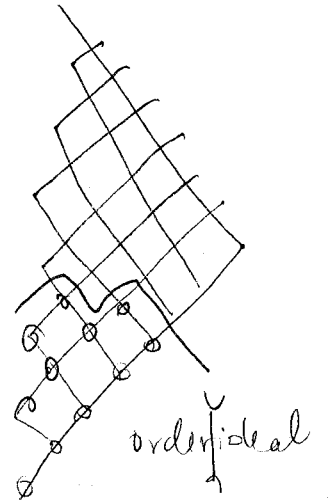
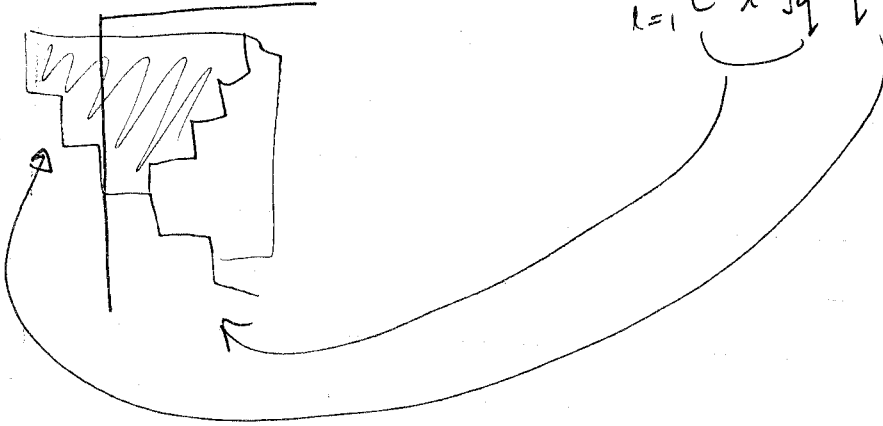
Alexey:  $n=2$ :  $\epsilon, \square, \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}, \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$

want to go from  $n$  to  $n+1$

$n=1 \rightarrow 3$



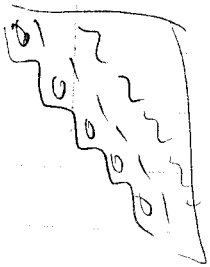
$$\sum_{s \in \mathcal{P}_n} q^{\text{inv}(s)} = (1+q)(1+q^2) \dots (1+q^n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n+1}{k}_q q^{\binom{k}{2}}$$



Need weight function  $w: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

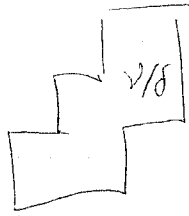
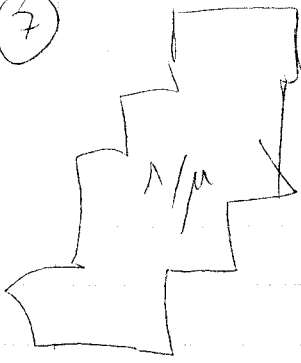
$$\sum_{x \in \text{add}(s)} w(x) > \sum_{y \in \text{remove}(s)} w(y)$$

then can use this lemma & get that be unimodal.

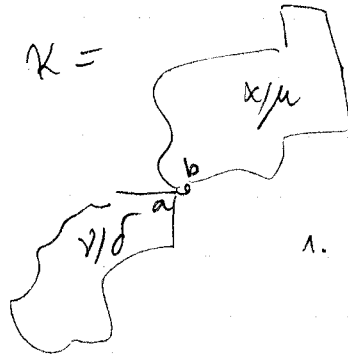


Weight fnd that works:  $w(x) = (n - \text{cc}(x) + 1)(n + \text{cc}(x) - 2)$

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$$s_{\lambda/\mu} s_{\nu/\delta} = s_{\kappa} = s_{\kappa'} + s_{\kappa''}$$

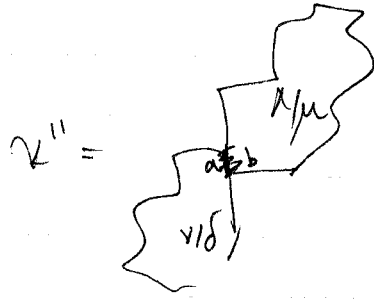
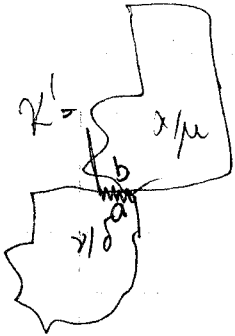


1.  $a \leq b$

$\downarrow$   
 $\kappa''$

2.  $a > b$

$\downarrow$   
 $\kappa'$



$$s_i = x_1 + x_2 + \dots, (s_i)^n = s = \sum_{\kappa \text{ ribbons!}} s_{\kappa}$$

8  $\rightarrow$  too long, so we didn't write it.

9

$$\kappa_{\lambda, \mu} \leq \kappa_{\lambda, \nu} \quad \mu \succ \nu \text{ in dominance order}$$

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n) \quad \nu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{i-1}, \mu_{i-1}, \mu_{i+1}, \dots, \mu_{j+1}, \dots) \quad i < j$$

$\nearrow$  one step down

$i$  dom. order

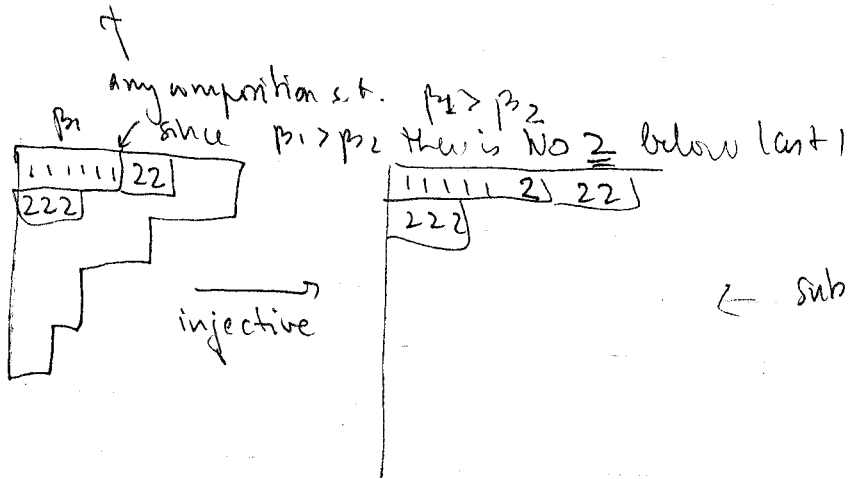
$\rightarrow$  we know these generate.

Kotler th's don't change by perm inputs: so let

$$\beta = (\mu_i, \mu_j, \mu_1, \dots) = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots) \quad \begin{matrix} \mu_i & \mu_j \\ \mu & \mu \end{matrix} \quad \beta_1 > \beta_2$$

$$\beta = (\beta_{i-1}, \beta_{j+1}, \beta_3, \dots)$$

$$K_{\lambda\beta} \leq K_{\lambda\gamma}$$

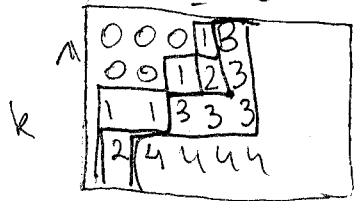


subset of tableaux of weight  $\gamma$  & shape  $\lambda$ .

④ specialize at  $x_i = q$ .

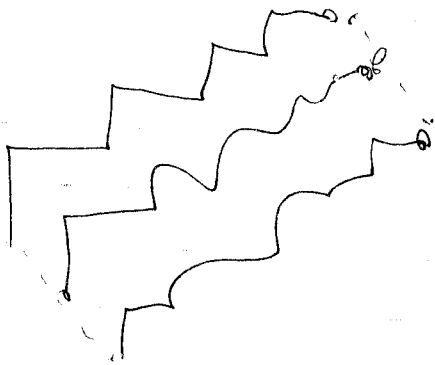
$$\sum_{\text{SSYT}} x^{\text{weight}(\tau)} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-x_i} \prod_{i < j} \frac{1}{1-x_i x_j} \quad \text{by RSK. (symm version)}$$

RPP of rectangular shape  $k \times l$   
 $\leq l$



we can move them away so they have no common pts.

separate  $k$  from all  $\leq k-1$  by paths, opt nonintersecting paths.



$$R(k, l, m) = \# \text{RPP}(k \times l) \text{ with entries } \leq m$$

Lindström lemma  $\Rightarrow$

$$R(k, l, m) = \det \left( \binom{k+l}{k+i-j} \right)_{i,j=1}^m$$

$$= s_{k \times m}(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{k+l})$$

$$\uparrow \quad \begin{matrix} k+l \\ e_{k+i-j}(1, \dots, 1) \end{matrix}$$

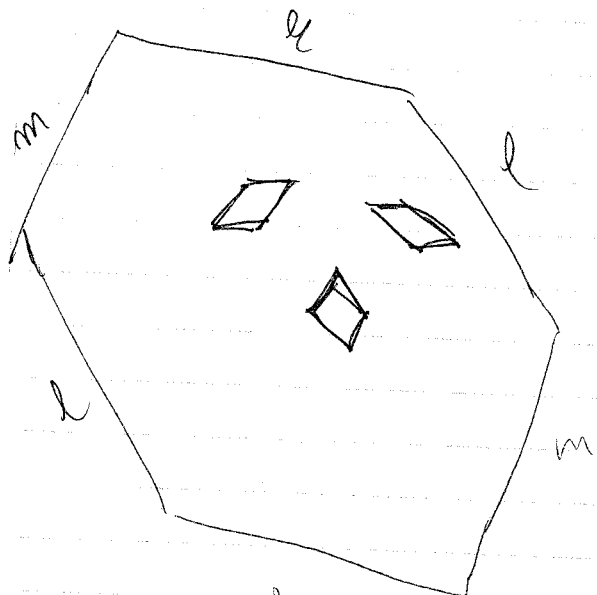
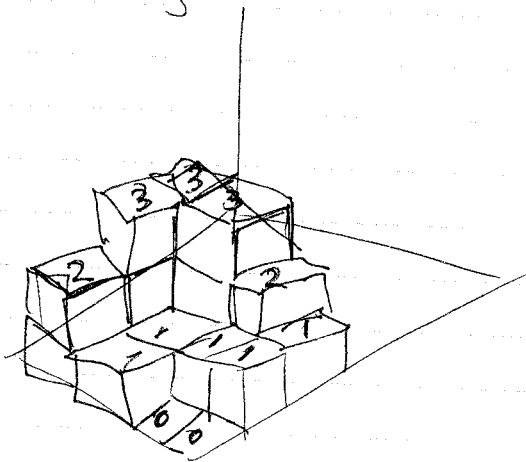
also  $R(k, l, m) = s_{k \times l}(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{k+m})$

Theorem.  $R(k, l, m) = \prod_{a=1}^k \prod_{b=1}^l \prod_{c=1}^m \frac{a+b+c-1}{a+b+c-2}$

See this symmetry immediately geometrically

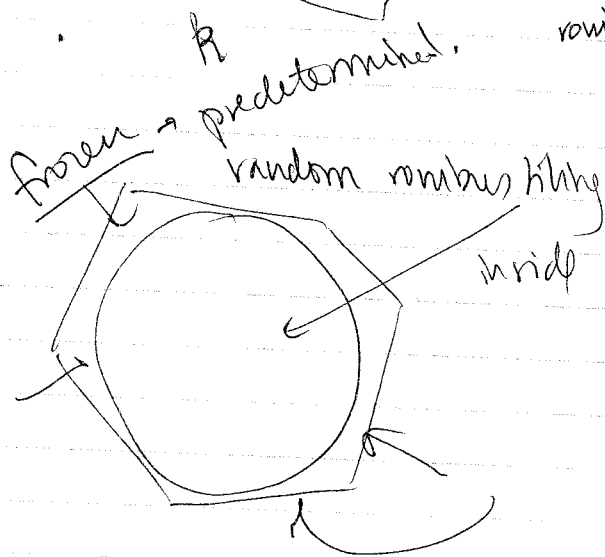
Look at PP:

3	3	2	1
3	1	1	1
2	1	0	0



rhombus tiling of ~~rhombus~~ hexagon  
3 different rhombuses

counts # to subdivide hexagon into rhombuses.



$[n \atop k]_q = \sum_{\lambda \in k \times (n-k)} q^{|\lambda|}$  3-dim analog

Theorem.  $\sum_{\text{plane partitions } T \subseteq k \times l \times m} q^{|T|} = \prod_{a=1}^k \prod_{b=1}^l \prod_{c=1}^m \frac{[a+b+c-1]_q}{[a+b+c-2]_q}$

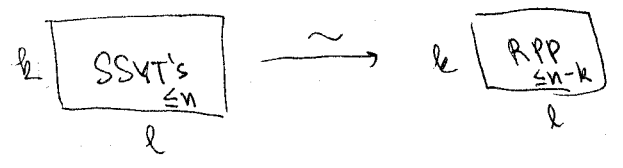
$T = k \begin{matrix} l \\ \square \\ m \end{matrix}$

for higher dimensions - no nice formula

$|T| = \sum T_{ij}$

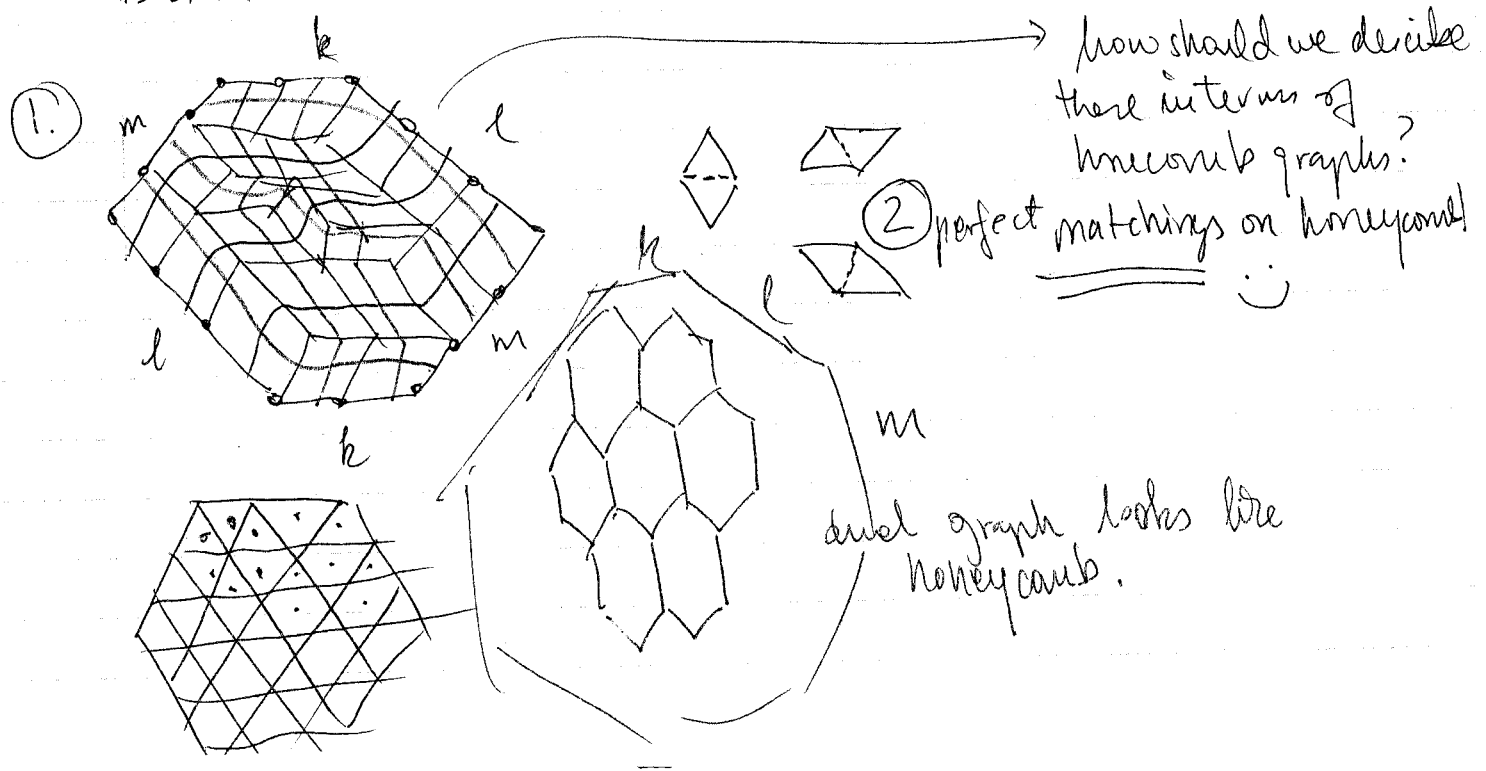
Proof based on hook-content formula from PSET4.

$S_{k \times l \times m}(1, q, q^2, \dots, q^{n-1}) = q^{m(n)} \prod_{x \in \lambda} \frac{[n + c(x)]_q}{[h(x)]_q}$

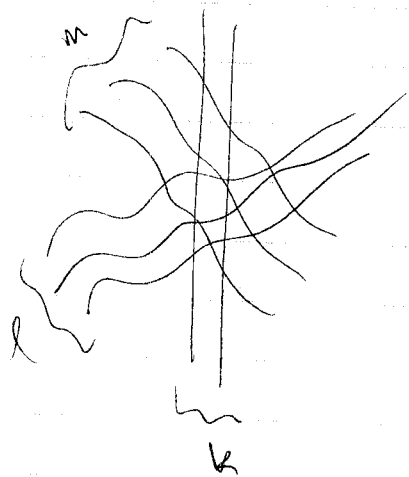


$T \rightsquigarrow \tilde{T}$   
 $\sum T_{ij} \rightarrow l \binom{k}{2} + \sum \tilde{T}_{ij}$

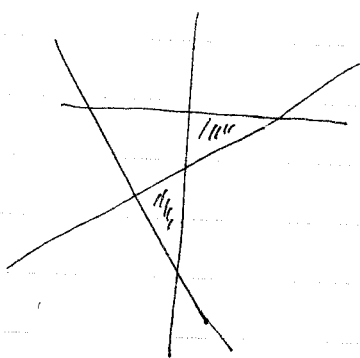
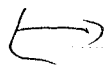
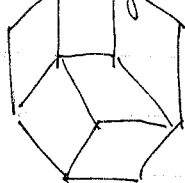
$\sum_{T \subseteq k \times l \times m} q^T = \sqrt[q^{-m(k \times l)}]{S_{k \times l \times m}(1, q, \dots, q^{m+k-1})}$   $\boxtimes$



③ pseudoline arrangements: collection of curves such that (1) no triple intersection is allowed, and any 2 curves intersect in at most 1 point



Some works for  $2n$ -gon



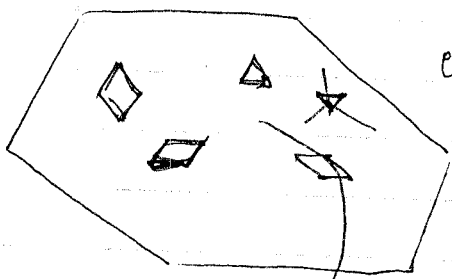
$n$  lines s.t. any pair of lines intersect exactly once.

pairwise intersecting

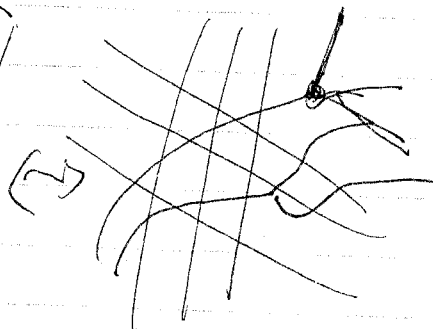
Exercise (a) Let  $A$  be a pseudoline arr with  $n$  lines. It subdivides  $\mathbb{R}^2$  into regions. Show that there are  $\geq n-2$  triangular regions.

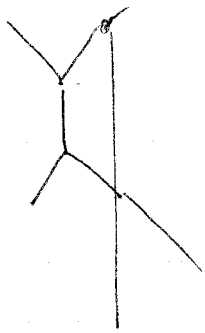
(Btw, total # of regions  $n(n+1)$ )

(b) find a pseudoline arr which is not line arrangement.



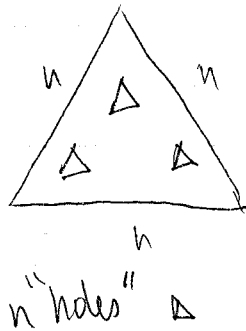
asymptotics; connected to electromagnetics



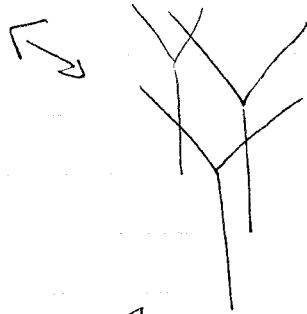


Feynman diagrams.

Y ← have trivalent vertices.



need at least  $n$   $\Delta$  to subdivide this



superimposition of  $n$  letters Y

combinatorial types of drawing  
no explicit formulas

subdivide product of simplices

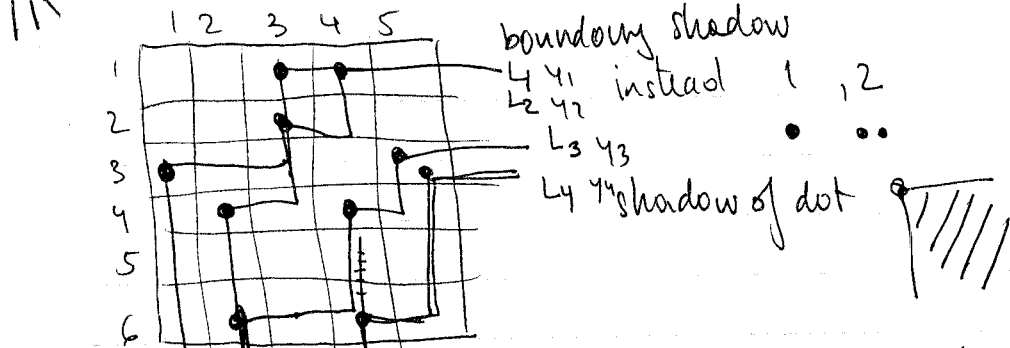
$\Delta^n \times \Delta^m \rightarrow$  this is how this came up.

baricentric coordinates are more convenient to work with.

RSK:  $A \rightarrow (P, Q)$      $A^T \rightarrow (Q, P)$     symmetry is not very clear from defn.

one way to explain it is thru Fomin's growth diagrams

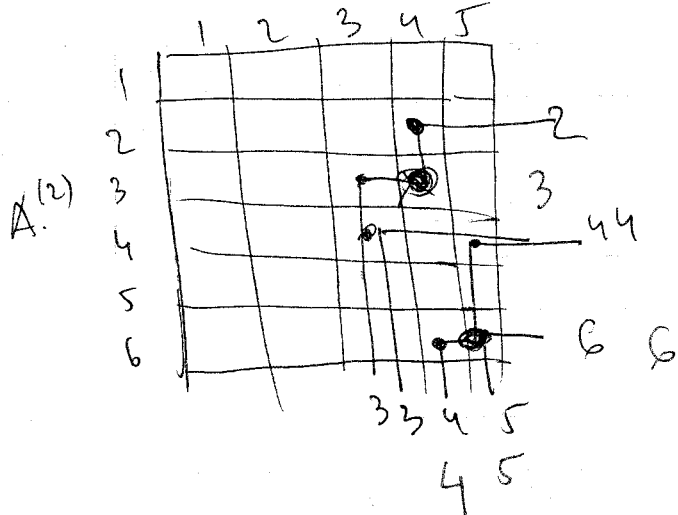
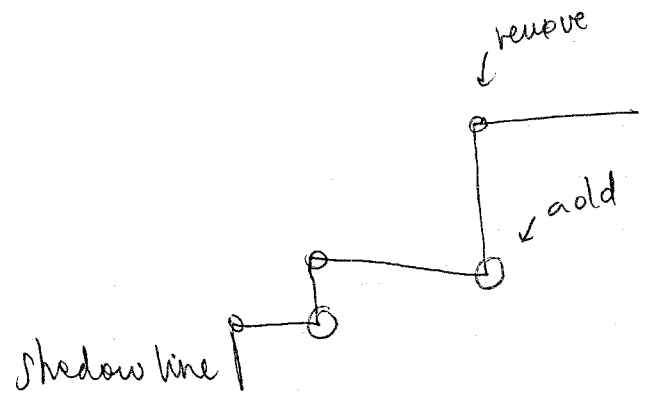
Other way: Viennot construction



remove dots that generate shadow line  $\rightarrow$  look as a

$$P = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1224 \\ \hline 3345 \\ \hline 45 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$Q = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1133 \\ \hline 2446 \\ \hline 36 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Theorem (Viennot) The map  $A \rightarrow (P, Q)$  described thru the shadow line technique is the RSK-correspondence.

$$A' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

gen. perm.

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 23 & 33 & 44 & 66 \\ 34 & 31 & 55 & 24 & 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

RSK

P: 3    34    33<sub>24</sub>    13<sub>23</sub>    135    1355    1255<sub>23</sub>

just first row is considered

→ 1245<sub>24</sub> → 1225<sub>24</sub> → 1224

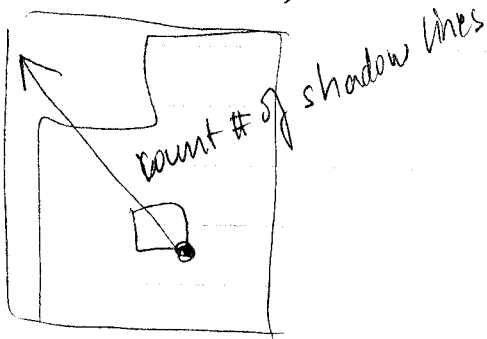
Q: 1    11    11    11    113    1133



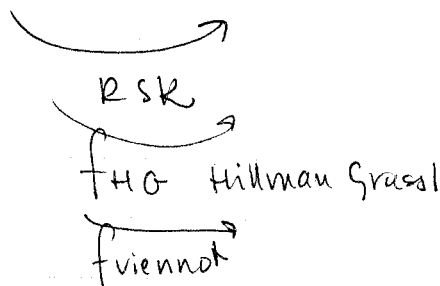
nonintersecting paths  $\leftrightarrow$  plane partitions

0	0	1	2	2
0	0	2	2	2
1	1	2	2	4
1	2	2	3	4
1	2	2	3	4
1	3	3	4	4

$\nearrow$  Frennet



Assume we have  $n \times n$  matrices &  $n \times n$  RPPs.



pair of tableaux  $\rightarrow$  Selfand-Tsetlin path  
 $\rightarrow$  put together - matrix.

columns of shadow lines  $x_1, x_2, \dots$   
 in Example  $x_1=1, x_2=x_3=2, x_4=4$   
 rows  $y_1=1, y_2=1, y_3=y_4=3$

total # of shadow lines is  $l(\mathcal{A}(P^*)) = l(\mathcal{A}(Q))$

$$P = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

move a horizontal line from above & look at what shadow lines it intersects & record column in which it intersects

1  $\boxed{3}$  34 33 13 ...

if dots in same row what is <sup>to</sup> the left is a bit higher.

2 ~~what~~ A?

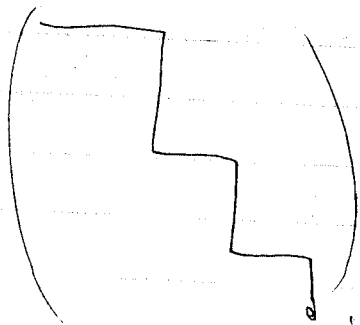
other rows also clear.  $A^{(2)}$  → corr to bumped entries

so by induction see  $A^{(2)}$  corr to 2nd row of tableaux etc.

One more way to explain the symmetry of RSK.

first row of  $P, Q$  = <sup>word length</sup> total # of shadow lines

how to find it from A?

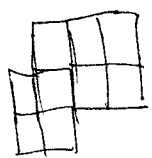


just find path s.t. <sup>to what the</sup> elts in it add up  
is maximal over all paths.

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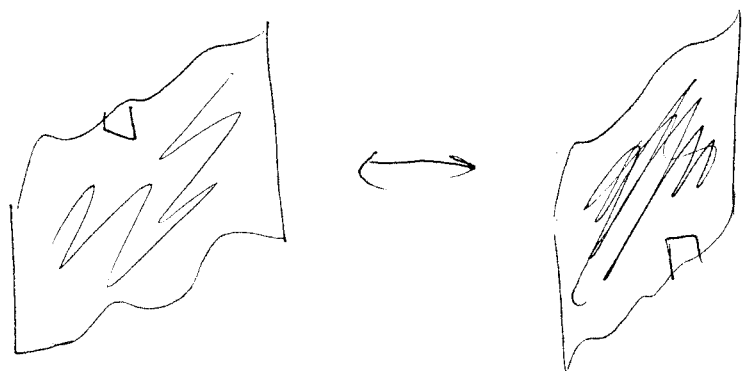
$\lambda/\mu$

Claim. 
$$\sum_{\nu \triangleright \mu} s_{\lambda/\nu} = \sum_{\nu \triangleright \lambda} s_{\nu/\mu}$$

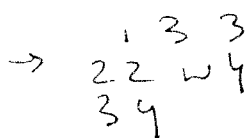
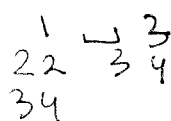
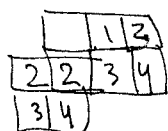


$$s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}} + s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \square \\ \hline \end{array}} = s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \square \\ \hline \end{array}} + s_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \square \\ \hline \square & & \square \\ \hline \end{array}}$$

can be proved using symmetry of Schur funct



same collection of numbers as in other tableau



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