

Nabla and Tors

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Tor groups

The Haiman/Bridgeland-King-Reid map

$$R\Gamma(P \otimes _): \{(\text{complexes of}) \text{ sheaves } E \text{ on } \text{Hilb}_n \mathbb{C}^2\} \leftrightarrow$$

$$\{(\text{complexes of}) \mathbb{C}[x, y] \rtimes S_n\text{-modules } M\}$$

$$x, y = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$$

isomorphism at the level of derived categories. Interested in Tor-groups $\text{Tor}_i^{\mathbb{C}[x, y]}(M, \mathbb{C})$ as bigraded S_n -representations. For instance,

$$\text{Tor}_0^{\mathbb{C}[x, y]} \Gamma(P \otimes P) = DR_n = \mathbb{C}[x, y] / \langle \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^r y_i^s : (r, s) \neq (0, 0) \rangle$$

This talk: formula for the character of the equivariant index $\chi = \sum_i (-1)^i \text{Tor}_i$, second formula has to do with resolution.

Examples

Variety X	Bundle E	$\chi_X(E)$
Hilb_n	$P^* \otimes P \otimes \mathcal{O}(k)$	affine Springer fiber/GKM space
	$P^* \otimes P$	Cauchy product
	$P^* \otimes P^{k-1}$	mixed Hodge of $g = 0$ Character varieties / Higgs moduli space (HLV)
	$\mathbb{S}_\lambda(B)$	Hall-Littlewood (C)
	\mathbb{S}_b	Knot invariants
Z_n	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	(q, t) -Catalan numbers
	P	diag. coinvar./Shuffle conjecture
	$\mathcal{O}(k)$, other sheaves	rational q, t Catalan, Homology of compactified Jacobian varieties (GOSRN, etc.)
	$P^{\otimes 2}$	possible new conjectures (other experts)
$\mathcal{M}_{r,n}$	Ext^1 bundles	AGT

Hilbert scheme

$$\text{Hilb}_n = \{I \subset \mathbb{C}[x, y] : \dim(R/I) = n\},$$

smooth, dimension $2n$. There is an open subset

$$U_n = \{(p_1 \neq \cdots \neq p_n) \subset (\mathbb{C}^2)^n\} / S_n \subset \text{Hilb}_n$$

and the punctual Hilbert scheme

$$Z_n = \pi^{-1}(0), \quad \pi : \text{Hilb}_n \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^n / S_n$$

which is $\mathbb{C}P^1$ for $n = 2$, singular for $n > 2$. The standard torus action

$$T = \mathbb{C}^* \times \mathbb{C}^* \curvearrowright \text{Hilb}_n$$

is induced from

$$(q, t) \cdot (x, y) = (q^{-1}x, t^{-1}y)$$

Procesi bundle

There is a bundle P on Hilb_n whose restriction to the open subset $U_n \subset \text{Hilb}_n$ by

$$P|_{U_n} = \{(p_1 \neq \cdots \neq p_n)\} \times_{S_n} \mathbb{C}[S_n]$$

- ▶ P can be extended to a vector bundle on all of Hilb_n .
- ▶ $S_n \curvearrowright P$, fibers \cong regular representation.
- ▶ $P^{S_{n-1} \times S_1} = B$ where

$$\text{rank}(B) = n, \quad B|_I = \mathbb{C}[x, y]/I$$

- ▶ $P^{\text{sign}} = \mathcal{O}(1) = \det(B)$
- ▶ Procesi bundles are more general objects in the categorical McKay correspondence (see Loseu).

Garsia-Haiman module

Torus-fixed points of Hilb_n are monomial ideals, spanned by all $x^i y^j$ for i, j outside a Young diagram μ . Fibers of P over torus-fixed points μ are the Garsia-Haiman modules: Given μ , order the boxes $(a_1, b_1) \dots (a_n, b_n)$ in some way, i.e.

$$\mu = [3, 3, 1] \longrightarrow \{(a_i, b_i)\} = \\ \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0)\}$$

Then we set

$$A_\mu = (a_{ij}), \quad a_{i,j} = x_i^{a_j} y_i^{b_j} \\ P_\mu = \langle f(\partial x_i, \partial y_j) \det(A_\mu) \rangle$$

If $\mu = [2]$ then

$$A_{[2]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_\mu = \langle 1, x_1 - x_2 \rangle$$

Modified Macdonald polynomials

The Frobenius character of P_μ is the modified Macdonald polynomial (part of Haiman's proof of $n!$ conjecture):

$$H_\mu = \mathcal{F}P_\mu = \sum_{\lambda} m_{\lambda} \text{ch}_{q,t} P_{\mu}^{S_{\lambda_1} \times \cdots \times S_{\lambda_l}} =$$
$$\sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda} \text{ch}_{q,t} \langle P_{\mu}, \chi^{\lambda} \rangle$$

Here $P_{\mu}^{S_{\lambda}}$ is the invariant subspace of the Young subgroup, and $\langle P_{\mu}, \chi^{\lambda} \rangle$ is the multiplicity of the irreducible representation χ^{λ} of S_n . For instance,

$$H_{[2]} = m_{[2]} + (1 + q)m_{[1,1]} = s_{[2]} + qs_{[1,1]}$$

so $P_{[2]}$ has one component of the trivial representation in degree $(0, 0)$, one component of the sign rep in degree $(1, 0)$.

Localization

The equivariant Euler characteristic of $E = P^* \otimes P^{l-1} \otimes \mathcal{O}(k)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{\text{Hilb}_n}(E) &:= \sum_{i \geq 0} (-1)^i \mathcal{F}H^i(E) = \\ &\sum_{|\mu|=n} \frac{H_\mu[X^1] \cdots H_\mu[X^l] (q^{n(\mu)} t^{n(\mu')})^k}{(H_\mu, H_\mu)_*} = \\ &\nabla_{X^i}^k \sum_{|\mu|=n} \frac{H_\mu[X^1] \cdots H_\mu[X^l]}{(H_\mu, H_\mu)_*},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\nabla H_\mu = q^{n(\mu)} t^{n(\mu')} H_\mu.$$

Conjecture (Haiman, Bergeron, Garsia, Tesler)

$\langle \nabla^k s_\mu, s_\nu \rangle$ is signed-positive

For $l = 2$, the above sum is

$$\chi(P^* \otimes P \otimes \mathcal{O}(k)) = \nabla^k h_n \left[\frac{XY}{(1-q)(1-t)} \right]$$

where

$$f \left[\frac{XY}{(1-q)(1-t)} \right] = f|_{p_k = p_k(X)p_k(Y)/(1-q^k)/(1-t^k)}$$

If $f(X) = \mathcal{F}(M)$ for a $\mathbb{C}[X] \rtimes S_n$ module- M , then

$$f[(1-q)X] = \sum_i (-1)^i \mathcal{F} \operatorname{Tor}_i^{\mathbb{C}[X]} M$$

Haiman gives J =space of sections as an explicit

$S_n \times S_n$ -equivariant module over $4n$ variables x, y, z, w . For $k = 1$

$$J = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z, w] / \bigcap_{\sigma \in S_n} \ker_{\mathbb{C}[x, y, z, w]} (f \mapsto f(x, y, z_\sigma, w_\sigma))$$

Fix N , and let

$$(m, a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n \times \{1, \dots, N\}^n \times \{1, \dots, N\}^n$$

be sorted so that $m_i \geq m_j$, $m_i = m_j \Rightarrow a_i \leq a_j$,

$m_i = m_j, a_i = a_j \Rightarrow b_i \leq b_j$.

$$\text{dinv}_k(m, a, b) = \sum_{i < j} \max(k - 1 + m_j - m_i + \delta(a_i > a_j) + \delta(b_i > b_j), 0),$$

Theorem (Mellit, C)

$$\nabla_X^k h_n \left[\frac{\pm XY}{(1-q)(1-t)} \right] = \sum_{[m,a,b]} t^{|m|} q^{\text{div}_k(m,a,b^\pm)} h_{\mu(m,a,b)} \left[\frac{1}{1-q} \right] X_a Y_b$$

Theorem (M,C)

$$\nabla_X^k h_n \left[\frac{-XY}{1-q} \right] = \sum_{[m,a,S \subset \{1,\dots,n\}, b]} (-1)^{|S|} \text{above formula, but } b_i \text{ is "odd" if } i \in S$$

Affine Springer fiber

Let

$$\mathcal{F}l_n = \{\mathbb{C}^n((t)) \cdots \supset \Lambda_i \supset \Lambda_{i+1} \supset \cdots :$$

$$\dim(\Lambda_i/\Lambda_{i+1}) = 1, \Lambda_{i+n} = t\Lambda_i, \text{ind}(\Lambda_0) = 0\} = SL_n((t))/I$$

$$X_\gamma = \{g \cdot I \in \mathcal{F}l_n : g^{-1}\gamma g \in \text{Lie}(I)\},$$

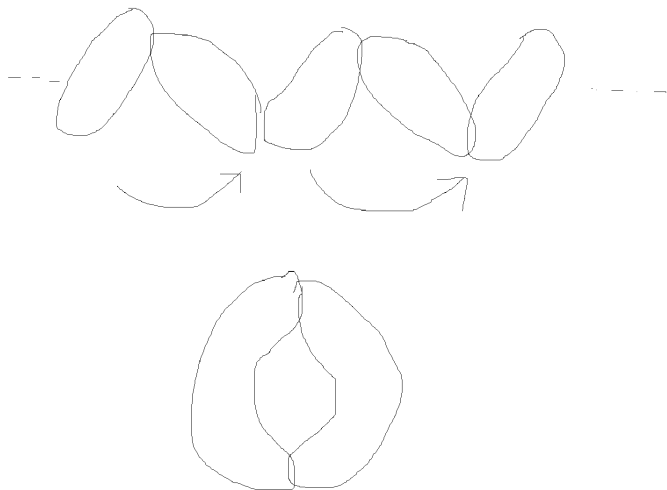
where in our case, $\gamma = \text{diag}(a_1 t^k, \dots, a_n t^k)$.

- ▶ The torus action by $T \subset SL_n \subset SL((t))$ on $\mathcal{F}l_n$ preserves X_γ , and the fixed set is the entire affine Weyl group W .
- ▶ The equivariant homology is characterized by relations in $i_*^{-1}(H_*(X_\gamma)) \subset \mathbb{C}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot W$ by GKM.
- ▶ There is a left and right action of W , $\mathbb{C}[x]$, and $\mathbb{C}[z]$ on homology.
- ▶ Homology is free over $\mathbb{C}[x]$, there is an affine paving, Schubert type basis.

Lattice quotient

The lattice $\mathbb{Z}^n \subset W$ acts space-level on X_γ . GKM study the quotient $H_*(\mathbb{Z}^n \backslash X_\gamma)$. No longer has affine paving but is compact.

The $n = 2$ case is here:



GKM construction

Theorem (GKM)

$$H_m(\mathbb{Z}^n \setminus X_\gamma) = \bigoplus_{p+q=m} \operatorname{Tor}_p^{\mathbb{Z}^n}(H_q(X_\gamma))$$

Proof.

The Cartan-Leray spectral sequence collapses. □

Relation with J

We have

$$J = \text{Im} \left(\pi : \mathbb{C}[x, y, z, w] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\sigma \in S_n} \mathbb{C}[x, y] \sigma \right)$$
$$\pi(f) = \sum_{\sigma} f(x, y, z_{\sigma}, w_{\sigma}) \sigma$$

since the kernel is the intersection. There's a map

$$J[y^{-1}] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{w \in W} \mathbb{C}(x)w, \quad f(x)y^a \sigma \mapsto \frac{f(x)}{\prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)} (a \cdot \sigma).$$

Claim: the image is precisely $H_*^T(X_{\gamma})$. Oscar Kivinen showed that the GKM relations are satisfied by J for the case of the sign rep (Grassmannian case), showing $J \subset H_*^T(X_{\gamma})$. Other inclusion is difficult, essentially follows from Haiman's papers.

First formula

Main points:

- ▶ $\dim v_k(m, a)$ is the dimension of the cell corresponding to $w(m, a)$.
- ▶ J is free over both $\mathbb{C}[x]$ and $\mathbb{C}[y]$, but not $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$. Freeness over x corresponds to equivariant formality.
- ▶ Tensoring out over x with \mathbb{C} is like passing from equivariant to non-equivariant homology.
- ▶ Tensoring over $\mathbb{C}[y]$ with \mathbb{C} is more subtle. In the GKM formula, you have that $y \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ acts by 1 on \mathbb{C} , not 0. This means you lose the t grading, which does not exist in GKM Theorem.

Second formula

Replace $H_*(X_\gamma)$ on the right hand side with J , and \mathbb{Z}^n with $\mathbb{C}[y]$ on the right-hand side.

$$\sum_i x^i \operatorname{Tor}_i^{\mathbb{C}[x,y]} J_2 = a_2 b_2 + (q+t) a_2 b_{1,1} + t q a_{1,1} b_{1,1} x \rightarrow 1 + x + 2x^2$$

at $f \mapsto x^{\dim(X_\gamma)} (f|_{t=1, q=1/x^2})$, (forgetting S_n -action).

Observation: this agrees with the Betti numbers of two spheres glued together.

$n = 3$ case

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i x^i \operatorname{Tor}_i^{C[x,y]} J_3 = & (q^3 a_3 b_3 + q^2 t a_3 b_3 + \\ & q t^2 a_{1,1,1} b_3 + t^3 a_3 b_3 + q^2 a_3 b_{2,1} + \\ & q t a_{1,1,1} b_3 + q t a_3 b_{2,1} + \\ & t^2 a_3 b_{2,1} + q a_{1,1,1} b_{2,1} + t a_3 b_{2,1} + a_3 b_{1,1,1}) + \\ & (q^3 t a_{2,1} b_3 + q^2 t^2 a_{2,1} b_3 + q t^3 a_{2,1} b_3 + \\ & q^2 t a_{2,1} b_{2,1} + q t^2 a_{2,1} b_{2,1}) x + \\ & (q^3 t^2 a_{1,1,1} b_3 + q^2 t^3 a_{1,1,1} b_3 + q^2 t^2 a_{1,1,1} b_{2,1}) x^2 \rightarrow \\ & 6x^6 + 6x^5 + 9x^4 + 6x^3 + 4x^2 + 2x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Proofs of formulas

- ▶ First formula: current proof, modified vector bundle counting method discovered earlier by Mellit.
- ▶ Once formula is discovered, should be many proofs. Potential second proof, first formula can be taken as definition. Other conjectures show that it satisfies defining properties.
- ▶ Proof of second formula: first formula.
- ▶ Idea behind second formula: tensor over $\mathbb{C}[y]$ first.
- ▶ Like taking equivariant homology of $\mathbb{Z}^n \backslash X_\gamma$.

Garsia-Stanton descent order

Method for getting “dinv” type formulas. Suppose you have a module J over $\mathbb{C}[x, y] \rtimes S_n$. Define a filtration on J by

$$F_a J = \langle y^b : b \leq_{des} a \rangle_{\mathbb{C}[x]}$$

where for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$, we have $a \leq_{des} b$ if

1. $sort(a, >) <_{lex} sort(b, >)$
2. $sort(a, >) = sort(b, >)$ and $a \leq_{lex} b$.

Conjecture

In many situations, $ch_{q,t} F_a J / F_{a-1} J$ has a combinatorial dinv type formula.

Can be used to predict combinatorial formulas, but might be harder to prove the conjecture than the formula.

Example: Diagonal coinvariants

Theorem (C,Oblomkov)

Let $J = DR_n$, $F_a = F_a J$. Then either F_a/F_{a-1} is nonzero for only $n!$ different choices of a , namely

$$a = a(\tau), \quad y^{a(\tau)} := \prod_{\tau_i > \tau_{i+1}} y_{\tau_1} \cdots y_{\tau_i}.$$

In this case

$$\text{ch}_{q,t} F_a/F_{a-1} = \prod_i [w_i(\tau)]_q$$

where $w_i(\tau)$ is the number of τ_j greater than τ_i in the “run” containing τ_i , plus the number of τ_j less than τ_i in the next run. Moreover, F_a/F_{a-1} has an explicit description as modules over $\mathbb{C}[x]$ in terms of the homology of certain Hessenberg varieties.

Proof.

Relate the subquotients to a different affine Springer fiber, descent order to Bruhat order. The combinatorial description was known to several authors, including Gorsky, Mazin, Hikita, ... Missing part of the argument was to define the t grading. \square

Example: $w_4(2, 9, 6, 4, 5, 8, 1, 3, 7) = 2 + 2 = 4$. We have

$$\text{ch}_{q,t} DR_3 = (1+q)(1+q+q^2) + t^2 + t(1+q) + t^2(1+q) + t(1+q)^2 + t^3$$

Example: Hall-Littlewood polynomials

Theorem (C)

Let $J = \Gamma_{\text{Hilb}_n} \mathbb{S}_\lambda$. Then

$$\text{ch}_{q,t} J = \sum_a t^{|a|} \sum_\mu q^* \langle HL_a, s_\lambda HL_\mu \rangle$$

The inner product is the matrix element of multiplication by s_λ in the Hall-Littlewood basis. It's positive valued.

Conjecture

$t^{|a|} \text{ch}_q F_a J / F_{a-1}$ is the summand

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The summand in the first theorem is $t^{|m|} \text{ch}_q F_m J / F_{m-1} J$ where

$$F_m J = \langle y^{\sigma(m)} \sigma \rangle.$$

Conjecture

The summand in the second theorem is $t^{|m|} \text{ch}_q F_m y^S J / F_{m-1} y^S J$ where

Conjecture

The summand in the second formula

$$\chi_k(m, a) = \sum_{S, b} (-1)^{|S|} q^{\text{dinv}_k(m, a, \tilde{b})} h_{\mu(m, a, b)} \left[\frac{1}{1 - q} \right] X_a Y_b$$

is Schur-positive. The substitution $\chi_k(m, a)[Y(1 - q)]$ is signed-positive.

Happy birthday Andrei and Pavel!