

# Quantum Schubert Calculus

Lecture 1 QH of Grassmannian

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## Classical Schubert Calculus

Recall

$$\text{Gr}(k, n) = \{ \text{subspaces of } \dim k \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^n \}$$

We have

$$H^*(\text{Gr}(k, n)) = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathbb{Q} \sigma_{\lambda}$$

sum over  
λ inside &  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$   
 $n-k$

$$\deg \sigma_{\lambda} = |\lambda|$$

with multiplication

$$\sigma_{\lambda} \cdot \sigma_{\mu} = \sum_{\nu} C_{\lambda \mu}^{\nu} \sigma_{\nu}$$

inside  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$   
(usual product)

LR coefficient

### Example (Pieri Rule)

$$\sigma_{\square} \cdot \sigma_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu}$$

$\mu = \lambda + \square$  inside &  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$   
 $n-k$

More general,

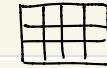
$$e_r \cdot \sigma_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu}$$

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$$\sigma_{\square} \cdot \sigma_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu}$$

$\mu = \lambda + r \text{ many row-different } \square's$   
(inside &  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$ )

When  $k=3, n=7$



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### Quantum Schubert Calculus

As a graded vector space

$$\frac{1}{2} \deg q = n$$

$$QH^*(\text{Gr}(k, n)) = H^*(\text{Gr}(k, n)) [q]$$

$$= \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathbb{Q}[q] \sigma_{\lambda}$$

quantum product

**Theorem**  $(QH^*(\text{Gr}(k, n)), *, 1)$  is a deformation of usual cohomology ring  $H^*(\text{Gr}(k, n))$ .

$$1 = \sigma_{\emptyset}$$

For  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \in H^*(\text{Gr}(k, n))$

$$(\gamma_1 * \gamma_2) * \gamma_3 = \gamma_1 * (\gamma_2 * \gamma_3)$$

$$\gamma_1 * \gamma_2 = \gamma_2 * \gamma_1$$

$$\gamma_1 * 1 = \gamma_1$$

$$(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2) * \gamma_3 = \gamma_1 * \gamma_3 + \gamma_2 * \gamma_3$$

$$(q^k \gamma_1) * (q^l \gamma_2) = q^{k+l} (\gamma_1 * \gamma_2)$$

$$\gamma_1 * \gamma_2 \equiv \gamma_1 \cdot \gamma_2 \pmod{q}$$

$+ q(\dots)$

**Example** We will characterize  $*$  soon.

But let us see an example.  $k=3, n=7$

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↑  
deleting a ribbon hook  
of length  $(n-1)$

### Quantum Pieri formula (Bertram)

$$e_r * \sigma_{\lambda} = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu} + q \sum_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu}$$

described above

$$\mu = \lambda + r \text{ many row-different } \square's$$

(inside &  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$   
 $n-k+1$ )

- hook of length  $n$  (inside &  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$   
 $n-k$ )

More precisely, for a partition  $\mu$  inside  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ n-k+1 \end{smallmatrix}$   
we define

$$[\mu] = \begin{cases} \sigma_\mu & \text{if } \mu \text{ inside } \begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ n-k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \\ q \sigma_{\bar{\mu}} & \text{if } \mu = \bar{\mu} + \text{ribbon hook of length } n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\begin{cases} \mu_1 > n-k \\ \mu_k > 0 \end{cases}$

Example ( $n=7, k=3$ )

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### Quantum Pieri formula

$$e_r * \sigma_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} [\mu]$$

$$s_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_k) \quad \mu = \lambda + r \text{ many row-different } \square's$$

(inside  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ n-k+1 \end{smallmatrix}$ )

$$e_2 * \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix} = \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{smallmatrix} + q \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}$$

+  ~~$\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}$~~

### Exercise (Vanishing of quantum terms)

For  $d \leq n-k$ ,

$$e_{r_1} * \dots * e_{r_d} = e_{r_1} * \dots * e_{r_d}$$

for any  $r_1, \dots, r_d \leq k$ .

### An algebraic approach

$$\Lambda_k = \mathbb{Q}[e_1, \dots, e_k] = \bigoplus_{\text{length } \lambda = k} \mathbb{Q}s_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_k)$$

Let  $I = \text{span}(s_\lambda \mid \lambda \text{ exceeds } (n-k)^k)$

Exercise Show that  $e_r I \subseteq I$ , thus  $\Lambda_k I \subseteq I$  i.e.  $I$  is an ideal.

### Exercise (Quantum Chevalley)

$$\sigma_D * \sigma_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_\mu + q \sum_{\mu} \sigma_\mu$$

$\mu = \lambda + \square \quad \downarrow$

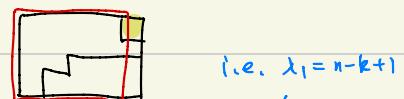
(inside  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \vdots \\ n-k+1 \end{smallmatrix}$ )  $\mu = \lambda - \text{ribbon of length } (n-1)$

### Exercise (Quantum Giambelli (JC))

If  $\lambda' = \mu = \mu_1 \geq \mu_2 \geq \dots \geq \mu_{n-k} \geq 0$ , then

$$\sigma_\lambda = \det(e_{\mu_i+j-i})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n-k}$$

(evaluated by \*)



### Theorem

●  $I = \langle s_\lambda \mid \lambda \text{ exceeds by one column} \rangle$

●  $\Lambda_k / I \cong H^*(Gr(k, n))$  (as a ring)

$$s_\lambda \mapsto \begin{cases} \sigma_\lambda & \lambda \in (n-k)^k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $I' = \langle s_\lambda \mid \lambda \text{ exceeds by one column} \rangle$ ,  
and  $M = \text{span}(1_x : x \in (n-k)^k)$ , then

$$1) M \cap I' = \emptyset \quad (I' \subseteq I)$$

$$2) M + I' = \lambda_k \left( \begin{array}{l} e_r M \subseteq M + I' \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_k M \subseteq M + I' \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_k \subseteq M + I' \quad (\lambda \in M) \end{array} \right)$$

$$3) \text{ Thus } I = I' \text{ and } \lambda_k = M \oplus I$$

$$\lambda_k / I = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in (n-k)} \mathbb{Q}(\text{Ex mod } I) \cong H^*(\text{Gr}(k, n))$$

by comparison of LR-coefficients.

$$\sigma_\lambda * \sigma_\mu = \sum_{\nu} s_\lambda \cdot s_\mu = \sum_{\nu} s_\nu \pm q^{e(\text{core}(\nu))}$$

$$1) \lambda_k / I_g \cong QH^*(\text{Gr}(k, n)) \quad (\text{as a ring})$$

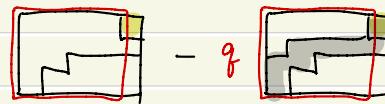
$$\begin{aligned} q &\mapsto q & q^s (-1)^{ks - \sum h_i} \\ s_\lambda &\mapsto \begin{cases} (-1)^s q^{\sum h_i} & \text{if } s \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } s = 0 \end{cases} & \text{core}(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

see below

I will give a different proof of this fact next time.

### Quantum version

$$\text{Let } I_q = \begin{cases} \lambda - q \bar{\lambda} & (\lambda = \bar{\lambda} + \text{n-ribbon}) \\ \text{or } \lambda & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \text{if } \lambda \text{ exceeds} \\ \text{by one column} \\ \hline \end{array}$$



$$\sigma_\lambda * \sigma_\mu = \sum_{\nu, k} N_{\lambda, \mu}^{\nu, k} q^k \sigma_\nu$$

no

where  $\text{core}(\lambda) \subseteq (n-k)^k$  is the partition by deleting as many n-ribbons as we can, with s ribbons of length  $h_1, \dots, h_s$ .



(Independent of choices)

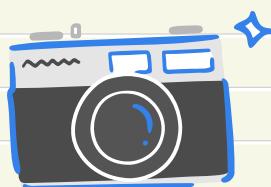
$$\boxed{\text{F}} = \text{core} \left( \boxed{\text{F}} \right)$$

### References

- Bertram, Quantum Schubert Calculus
- Bertram, Fontanine, Fulton, Quantum multiplication of Schur polynomials.

### Next time

More about  $QH^*(\text{Gr}(k, n))$



# THANKS

# Quantum Schubert Calculus

Lecture 2 More on Grassmannian

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## Recall

Quantum Pieri rule

$$e_r * \sigma_\lambda = ?? \text{ polynomial}$$

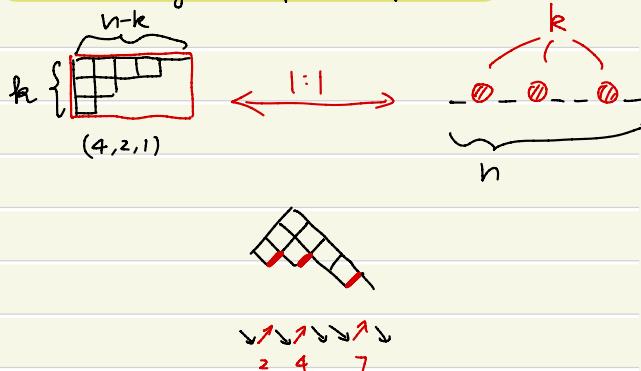
Compute  $e_r \cdot s_\lambda = \sum s_\mu$

If  $\mu = (n-k)^k$ , change  $s_\mu$  to  $\sigma_\mu$

If  $\mu$  exceeds, replace  $s_\mu$  by  $q s_{\bar{\mu}}$   
where  $\bar{\mu} = \mu \setminus n\text{-ribbon}$  (by 0 if impossible)



Another way to represent partition



Pieri Rule restated

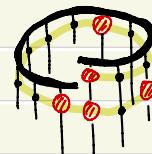
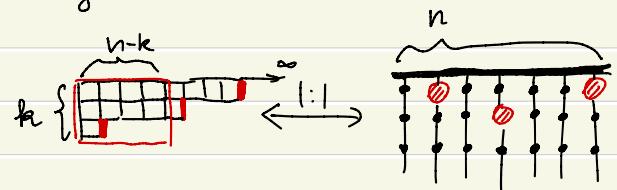
$$e_r \sigma_\lambda = \sum_\mu \sigma_\mu$$

$\mu$  = Move an  $r$ -subset of  $\circ$  of  $\lambda$  to right by 1 step

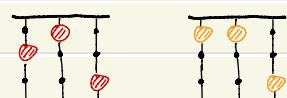
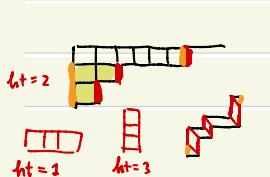
$$e_2 \cdot \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Diagram showing a ribbon with 4 red circles being moved to the right of a ribbon with 3 red circles.

In general,



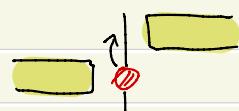
F	T
adding a box	move $\circ$ to its "cyclic" right neighborhood (if empty)
adding an $n$ -ribbon	move $\circ$ down by 1 step (if empty)



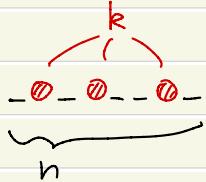
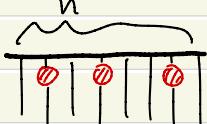
Exercise  $\text{core}(\lambda) \subseteq (n-k)^k$

$\Leftrightarrow$  each T has at most one  $\circ$

Exercise height = #  $\circ$  in



Note that if  $\lambda \subseteq (n-k)^k$ , then we identify

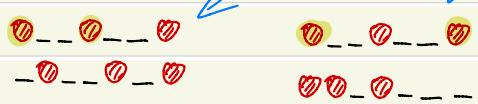


### Quantum Pieri Rule restated

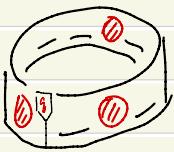
$$e_r * \sigma_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} \sigma_\mu$$

$\mu$  = Move an  $r$ -subset of  $\emptyset$  of  $\lambda$  to right by 1 step modulo  $n$

$$e_2 * \boxed{\square} = \boxed{\begin{array}{|c|c|}\hline \textcolor{red}{\square} & \textcolor{red}{\square} \\ \hline \end{array}} + q \boxed{\begin{array}{|c|c|}\hline \textcolor{red}{\square} & \textcolor{red}{\square} \\ \hline \textcolor{red}{\square} & \textcolor{red}{\square} \\ \hline \end{array}}$$



usual product



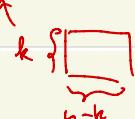
quantum product

$$2) \quad \sigma_\lambda * \sigma_\mu = \sum c_{\lambda\mu}^n(q) \sigma_\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_\lambda * \circ(\sigma_\mu) = \sum c_{\lambda\mu}^n(q) \circ(\sigma_\nu)$$

Hint: suffices to show  $\sigma_\lambda = e_r$

$$3) \quad \circ(\sigma_\lambda) = e_k * \sigma_\lambda$$

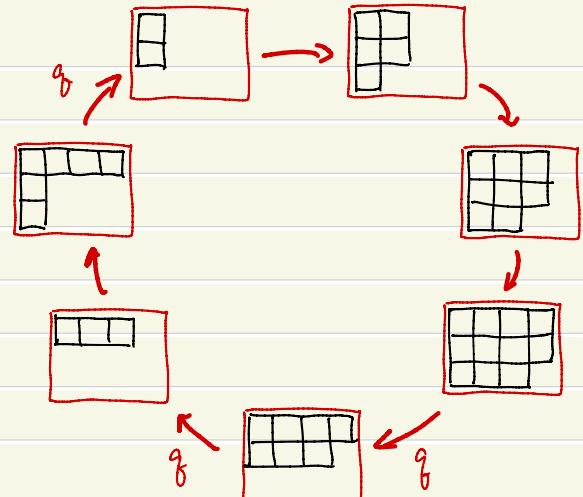


Exercise For  $\lambda \subseteq (n-k)^k$ , denote  $\lambda+1$

$$\circ(\sigma_\lambda) = \begin{cases} \sigma_\mu & \text{if } \lambda_i < n-k \\ & \mu_i = \lambda_i + 1 \\ q \sigma_\mu & \text{if } \lambda_i = n-k \\ & \mu_i = \lambda_{i+1} \end{cases}$$

Show that

$$1) \quad \circ^n(\sigma_\lambda) = q^k \sigma_\lambda,$$



### Turn to Schur polynomials

Theorem There is a ring homomorphism

$$\varphi: A_k[q] \longrightarrow QH^*(\mathrm{Gr}(k, n))$$

$$s_\lambda \longmapsto \begin{cases} q^s (-1)^{ks - \sum \rho_i} \sigma_{\mathrm{core}(\lambda)} & \mathrm{core}(\lambda) \subseteq \boxed{\square}^{3k} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The image  $\psi(s_\lambda)$  of a Schur polynomial  $s_\lambda \in A_k$  in  $qH^*(\mathrm{Gr}(k, n))$  was given in [7] by

$$(4.3) \quad s_\lambda \longmapsto \begin{cases} (-1)^{ks - \sum \mathrm{ht}(\rho_i)} q^s \sigma_{\hat{\lambda}} & \text{if } \hat{\lambda} \leq \square_{k,n} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

where we remove  $s$  rim hooks  $\rho_1, \dots, \rho_s$  of size  $n$  from  $\lambda$  to obtain its  $n$ -core  $\hat{\lambda}$ . Thus

Note that

1) We have (Note that  $k \nmid \boxed{\square}^{n-k}$ )

$$\varphi(e_k s_\lambda) = \underbrace{e_k * \varphi(s_\lambda)}_{s_{\lambda+1}} \circ (\varphi(s_\lambda))$$

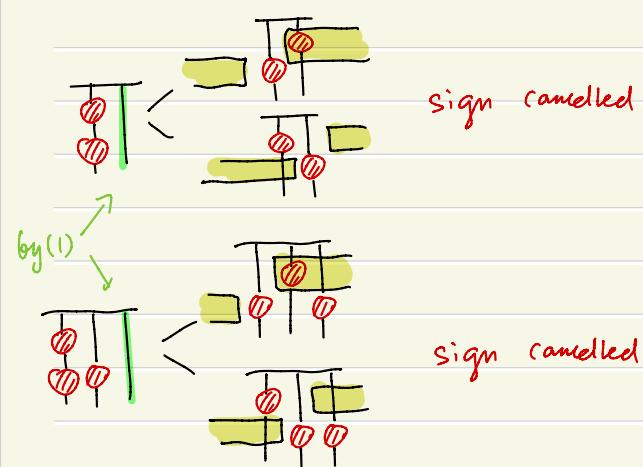
$\Rightarrow$  Reduce to the case no  $\emptyset$

on the last  $T$

2) If  $\varphi(s_\lambda) = 0$ , pick the last

$$\varphi(e_r s_\lambda) = e_r * \varphi(s_\lambda) = 0 \\ = \sum s_\mu$$

It suffices to consider when  $\mu$  has no  $\text{---}$ , they are cancelled by sign.



3) If  $\varphi(s_\lambda) \neq 0$ , i.e. only  $\text{---}$

$$\varphi(e_r s_\lambda) = e_r * \varphi(s_\lambda) \\ = \sum s_\mu$$

It suffices to consider when  $\mu$  has no  $\text{---}$

- ① They are in bijection with RHS
- ② Their sign coincides with  $\lambda$

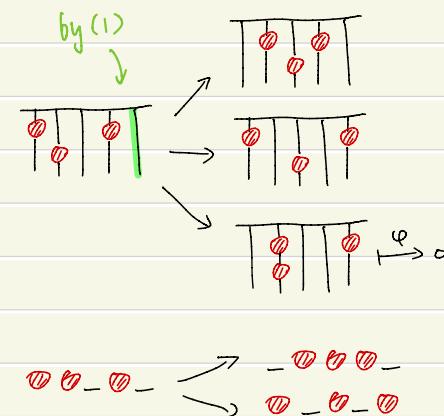
Since  $\varphi(1) = 1$  and  $\Lambda_k = \mathbb{Q}[e_1, \dots, e_k]$ , we can conclude  $\varphi$  is a ring homomorphism

Exercise Show  $\ker \varphi = I_q$ .

Question Think about  $QK$ ?



THANKS



### References

- Changzheng Li etc.  
On Seidel representation in quantum K-theory of Grassmannians
- Bertram, Fulton, Pandharipande  
Quantum multiplication of Schur polynomials.

Next time

Equivariant QH

$$(x_1 + \dots + x_k) \\ e_1 \cdot g_\lambda = \sum_\mu g_\mu$$

Note that  $e_1$  is not a Grothendieck polynomial

$$\mu = \text{move } \begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} \\ \hline \end{array} - \begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{1} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$e_r * g_\lambda = \sum_\mu g_\mu$$

$$\mu = \text{move } \begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} \\ \hline \end{array} - \text{modulo } n.$$

# Quantum Schubert Calculus

Lecture 3 Equivariant QH

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## Classical EH

Let  $T = \begin{pmatrix} * & \dots & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ * & \dots & * \end{pmatrix} \subseteq \mathrm{GL}_n$ .

$$\frac{1}{2} \deg t_1 = 1$$

We have

$$H_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n)) = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathbb{Q}[t_1, \dots, t_n] \sigma_\lambda$$

The product is given by

$$\text{inside } (n-k)^k$$

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$$\sigma_\lambda \cdot \sigma_\mu = \sum_{\nu} c_{\lambda, \mu}^{(\nu)} \sigma_\nu$$

$$t=0$$

$\Rightarrow$  non-equivariant (in L)

LR coefficients  
for double Schur  
polynomials

More precisely, we have a ring homomorphism

$$\Lambda_k[t_i]_{i=1}^{\infty} \longrightarrow H_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n))$$

double Schur polynomial

$$s_\lambda(x,+) \longmapsto \begin{cases} \sigma_\lambda, & \lambda \leq (n-k)^k, \\ 0, & \lambda \text{ exceeds.} \end{cases}$$

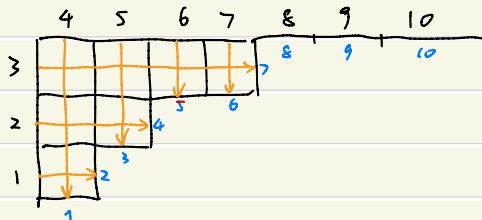
$$t_i \longmapsto \begin{cases} t_i, & 1 \leq i \leq n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Localization (Specialization)

For each  $\lambda$  of parts  $\leq k$ , we define a permutation  $w_\lambda$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1 \longmapsto \lambda_{k+1} + 1 & k+1 \longmapsto w_\lambda(k+1) \\ 2 \longmapsto \lambda_{k-1} + 2 & k+2 \longmapsto w_\lambda(k+2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ k \longmapsto \lambda_1 + k-1 & \vdots \end{array}$$

## Example ( $k=3$ )



For any  $f(x,+) \in \Lambda_k[t_i]_{i=1}^{\infty}$ , we define

$$f|_\lambda = f(w_\lambda t, +) \in \mathbb{Q}[t_i]_{i=1}^{\infty}$$

$x_i = t_{w_\lambda(i)}$

## E quantum H

We have

$$QH_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n)) = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathbb{Q}[t_1, \dots, t_n][q] \sigma_\lambda$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \deg = n$$



For  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \in H_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n))$

$$(\gamma_1 * \gamma_2) * \gamma_3 = \gamma_1 * (\gamma_2 * \gamma_3)$$

$$\gamma_1 * \gamma_2 = \gamma_2 * \gamma_1$$

$$\gamma_1 * 1 = \gamma_1$$

$\mathbb{Q}[t_1, \dots, t_n][q] \rightarrow H_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n))$   
ring homo.

$$(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2) * \gamma_3 = \gamma_1 * \gamma_3 + \gamma_2 * \gamma_3$$

$$(t^m g^k \gamma_1) * (t^n g^l \gamma_2) = t^{m+n} g^{k+l} (\gamma_1 * \gamma_2)$$

$$\gamma_1 * \gamma_2 \equiv \gamma_1 \cdot \gamma_2 \pmod{q}$$

**Theorem**  
 $(QH_T^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n)), *, 1)$  is a deformation of  
 usual cohomology ring  $H^\bullet(\mathrm{Gr}(k,n))$ .

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Combinatorial} & \rightarrow & x_i & t_i & \sigma_\lambda & q \\ \text{Convention} & \rightarrow & \deg & 1 & 1 & n \\ \text{our convention} & \rightarrow & \frac{1}{2} \deg & 1 & 1 & n \end{array}$$

## Chevalley formula

Let  $D = x_1 + \dots + x_k$ , then ( $\gamma_\lambda = s_\lambda(x, +)$ )

$$D \cdot s_\lambda = D|_\lambda s_\lambda + \sum_{\mu=\lambda+\square} s_\mu$$

Note:  $s_\square = (x_1 - t_1) + \dots + (x_k - t_k) \neq D$

## Eg ( $k=3$ )

$$D \cdot \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

## Eg Chevalley formula (Mihalcea)

$$D * \sigma_\lambda = D|_\lambda \cdot \sigma_\lambda + \sum_{\substack{\mu = \lambda + \square \\ \in (n-k)^k}} \sigma_\mu + q \sum_{\substack{\mu = \lambda \setminus \text{ribbon}}} \sigma_\mu$$

Eg ( $k=3$ )

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

$$(t_2 + t_4 + t_7)$$

## Observation

$$\begin{aligned} (D * \sigma_\lambda) * \sigma_\mu &= (D|_\lambda \sigma_\lambda + \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square} \sigma_{\lambda'} + \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda-\square} q \sigma_{\lambda'}) * \sigma_\mu \\ &= \sum_{\nu} \left( D|_\lambda N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} + \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} + \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda-\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk-1} \right) q^k \sigma_\nu \\ D * (\sigma_\lambda * \sigma_\mu) &= D * \left( \sum_{\nu} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} q^k \sigma_\nu \right) \\ &= \sum_{\nu} \left( D|_\nu N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} + \sum_{\nu'=\nu+\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{n'k} + \sum_{\nu'=\nu-\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{n'k-1} \right) q^k \sigma_\nu \end{aligned}$$

The main induction is on  $k$ .

i.e. we assume  $N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk'} \in \boxed{\text{known}}$  for  $k' < k$ .

## Exercise Prove that

$$D|_\lambda = D|_\mu \Leftrightarrow \lambda = \mu$$

Thus if  $\nu \neq \lambda$ , we have

$$N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} = \frac{\sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} - \sum_{\nu=\nu-\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk}}{D|_\nu - D|_\lambda} + \boxed{\text{known}}$$

Part A  $N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk}$  is known for  $\lambda \notin \nu$

$$N_{\phi,\mu}^{nk} \in \boxed{\text{known}} \quad (= \delta_\mu^\nu \delta_{k=0})$$

[Since  $1 = \sigma_\phi$  is the unit]

The rest — by induction on  $\nu$ .  
(i.e.  $N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} \in \boxed{\text{known}}$  if  $\nu' < \nu$ )

New phenomenon — Chevalley tells everything

Assume

$$\sigma_\lambda * \sigma_\mu = \sum_{\nu} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} (+) q^k \sigma_\nu$$

## Theorem (Mihalcea)

We can completely determine  $N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk}$  using facts

- ①  $\{\sigma_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in (n+k)^k}$  forms a basis;
- ② EG Chevalley formula.

So  $\boxed{\square} = \boxed{\square}$  i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} (D|_\nu - D|_\lambda) N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} &= \left( \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} + \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda-\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk-1} \right) \\ &\quad - \left( \sum_{\nu'=\nu+\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} + \sum_{\nu'=\nu-\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk-1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Part A  $N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk}$  is known for  $\lambda \notin \nu$

$$N_{\phi,\mu}^{nk} \in \boxed{\text{known}} \quad (= 1 \text{ if } k=0)$$

$[\phi \neq \square, \neq \square + \square, \neq \phi \setminus \square]$

$$N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} \in \boxed{\text{known}} \quad \text{if } \lambda \notin \nu \quad (= 0 \text{ if } k=0)$$

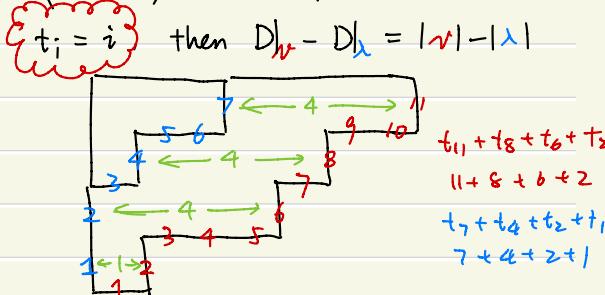
$\lambda \notin \nu' = \nu \setminus \square \quad \text{and } \lambda + \square \notin \nu \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\text{known}}$

## Observation

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} &= \frac{\sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} - \sum_{\nu=\nu-\square} N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk}}{D|_\nu - D|_\lambda} + \boxed{\text{known}} \\ &= \sum_{\lambda'=\lambda+\square \leq \nu} \frac{1}{D|_\nu - D|_{\lambda'}} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} + \boxed{\text{known}} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\lambda'=\lambda+\square \\ \lambda'=\lambda+\square \leq \nu}} \frac{1}{D|_\nu - D|_{\lambda'}} \frac{1}{D|_\nu - D|_{\lambda'}} N_{\lambda'\mu}^{nk} + \boxed{\text{known}} \\ &= \dots = \left( \sum_{\text{strictly}} \frac{1}{\dots} \cdot \frac{1}{\dots} \cdot \dots \right) N_{\lambda\mu}^{nk} + \boxed{\text{known}} \end{aligned}$$

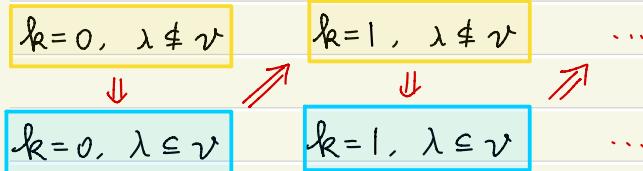
nonzero

Here (nonzero) since if we set



Thus  
 $(\text{nonzero}) = \frac{\# \text{SYT}(\nu/\lambda)}{(|\nu| - |\lambda|)!} > 0$

$N_{\lambda \mu}^{\nu k}$



**Problem** There exists a ring homomorphism

$$\Lambda_{\mathbb{F}}[\mathbb{F}][t_i]_{i=1}^{\infty} \longrightarrow \mathbb{QH}_T^*(\mathrm{Gr}(k, n))$$

$$q \longmapsto q$$

$$s_{\lambda}(x, t) \longmapsto \begin{cases} (-1)^s q^{ks - \sum t_i} \circ \text{core}(\lambda) & \text{if } \lambda_i < n-k \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda_i = n-k \end{cases}$$

$$t_i \longmapsto t_i \bmod n$$

We know  $N_{\lambda \mu}^{\nu k}$  for  $\lambda = \nu$ .

[By observation]

known  $\Rightarrow N_{\phi \mu}^{\nu k} = (\text{nonzero}) N_{\nu \mu}^{\nu k} + \text{known}$

We know  $N_{\lambda \mu}^{\nu k}$  for  $\lambda \subseteq \nu$

[By observation]

**Problem** For  $\lambda$ , denote

$$\Theta(\sigma_{\lambda}) = \begin{cases} \sigma_{\mu} & \text{if } \lambda_i < n-k, \\ & \mu_i = \lambda_i + 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda_i = n-k \\ & \mu_i = \lambda_i \end{cases}$$

$$\Theta(t_i) = t_{i+1} \bmod n$$

Show that

$$\alpha * \sigma_{\mu} = \sum (\text{orange circle}) \Theta_{\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha * \Theta(\sigma_{\mu}) = \sum \Theta(\text{orange circle}) \Theta(\sigma_{\nu})$$

Hint: it is true for  $\alpha = D$ ;

Let  $\alpha = \sigma_{\lambda}$ , apply Mihalcea's trick.

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Next time

$\mathbb{QH}$  of flag varieties



Thanks

Quantum Cohomology of  $\text{Fl}_n$ 

## 1. Usual cohomology

$$\text{Fl}_n = \{0 \leq \phi_1 \leq \phi_2 \leq \dots \leq \phi_{n-1} \in \mathbb{C}^n\}$$

$\dim \phi_i = i$

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(\text{Fl}_n) &= \mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_n]/\langle e_1(w), \dots, e_n(w) \rangle \\ &= \bigoplus_{w \in S_n} \mathbb{Q}\sigma_w \quad (\text{Schubert classes}) \\ &\quad \text{deg } \sigma_w = l(w) \\ &\quad \text{represented by Schubert polynomials.} \end{aligned}$$

## Chevalley formula

$$\sigma_k \cdot \sigma_w = \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in k < b \\ l(wt\alpha) = l(\alpha) + 1}} \sigma_{wt\alpha}$$

here  $w_k = x_1 + \dots + x_k = \sigma_{s_k}$ .

## Reformulation

$$\triangleright \sum_{\alpha > 0} \left( \sum_{1 \leq a < b \leq n} \right) \sigma_a \sigma_b \text{ and } \alpha^\vee = x_a - x_b$$

for linear form  $\lambda(x) \in \mathbb{Z}x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}x_n$ , denote

$\langle \alpha^\vee, \lambda \rangle = \text{natural pairing, e.g.}$

$$\langle x_1 - x_3, x_i \rangle = \begin{cases} 1, & i=1, \\ 0, & i=2, \\ -1, & i=3. \end{cases}$$

$$\triangleright r_{\alpha^\vee} = t_{ab} \in S_n$$

## Chevalley formula

$$\lambda(x) \cdot \sigma_w = \sum_{\substack{\alpha^\vee > 0 \\ l(wr_\alpha) = l(\alpha) + 1}} \langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \sigma_{wr_\alpha}$$

## 2. Quantum Cohomology

$$QH^*(\text{Fl}_n) = \bigoplus_{w \in S_n} \mathbb{Q}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}] \sigma_w$$

$\dim = 2 \quad \deg = l(w)$

with quantum product  $*$ .

General properties of  $*$ 

$$1) (\gamma_1 * \gamma_2) * \gamma_3 = \gamma_1 * (\gamma_2 * \gamma_3)$$

$$2) \gamma_1 * \gamma_2 = \gamma_2 * \gamma_1$$

$$3) \gamma_i * 1 = \gamma_i \quad 1 = \sigma_{id}$$

$$4) (q^{d_1} \gamma_1) * (q^{d_2} \gamma_2) = q^{d_1+d_2} \gamma_1 * \gamma_2$$

$$5) \gamma_1 * \gamma_2 = \gamma_1 \cdot \gamma_2 \bmod q.$$

## Chevalley formula

$\triangleright$  If  $\alpha^\vee = x_a - x_b$ , we denote

$$g^{\alpha^\vee} = g_{ab} = g_a \cdots g_{b-1}$$

Note that  $\deg g^{\alpha^\vee} = 2(b-a) = l(r_\alpha) + 1$



$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(x) * \sigma_w &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha^\vee > 0 \\ l(wr_\alpha) = l(\alpha) + 1}} \langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \sigma_{wr_\alpha} \\ &\quad + \sum_{\substack{\alpha^\vee > 0 \\ l(wr_\alpha) = l(\alpha) + 1 - \deg g^{\alpha^\vee}}} g^{\alpha^\vee} \langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \sigma_{wr_\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Note that the condition

$$l(wr_\alpha) = l(\alpha) + 1 - \deg g^{\alpha^\vee}$$

$$\iff l(wr_\alpha) = l(\alpha) - l(r_\alpha)$$

So, we can rewrite

$$\lambda(x) * \gamma = \lambda(x) \cdot \gamma + \sum_{\alpha^\vee > 0} g^{\alpha^\vee} \langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \partial_{r_\alpha} \gamma$$

i.e. quantum terms is given by a Demazure operator.

## 3. Questions to answer in this talk

① express  $\sigma_w$  for  $w$  special i.e.



$$w = s_{k-r+1} s_{k-r+2} \cdots s_{k-1} s_k$$

$$\text{recall } \sigma_w = e_r(x_1, \dots, x_k)$$

(evaluated by usual product)

② find presentation of  $QH^*(\text{Fl}_n)$ , i.e.

$$QH^*(\text{Fl}_n) = \frac{\mathcal{O}[x_1, \dots, x_n]}{\langle ? ? ? \rangle}$$

$$\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Q}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}]$$

Rank on ②.

1. firstly  $QH^*$  is generated by  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

over  $\mathcal{O}$ .

2. secondly it suffices to find relations

$$\text{deforming } e_1(x), \dots, e_n(x) = 0.$$

Assume

$$\det \left( y I_k + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & -1 & & & \\ q_1 & x_2 & -1 & & \\ & q_2 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ & & & q_{k-1} & x_k \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= y^k + e_1^q(x_1, \dots, x_k) y^{k-1} + \dots + e_k^q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$$

Answer:

$$\text{D } \tilde{G}_w = e_r^q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$$

(evaluated by quantum product)

$$\text{D } QH^*(Fl_n) = \mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / \langle e_1^q, \dots, e_n^q \rangle$$

n variables

#### 4. Proofs

Denote  $\sigma_w = e_r(w)$  for  $w = s_{k-n+1} \dots s_k$ .

We want to show  $e_r(k) = e_r^q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  (eva by \*)

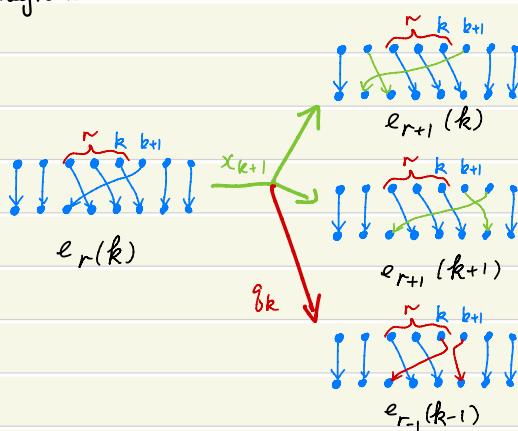
Recall Chevalley formula:

$$x_k * \sigma_w = \left( -\sum_{i < k} + \sum_{i > k} \right) \sigma_{w t_k}, \text{ or } q \dots \sigma_{w t_k};$$

So we have understood as 0 when it does not make sense

$$x_k * e_r(k) = e_{r+1}(k) - e_{r+1}(k+1) - q_k e_{r-1}(k-1)$$

diagram:



It is a good exercise to show

$e_r^q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  has the same inductive formula

and initial condition.

Actually, it suffices to show

$$x_{k+1} * E(k) = E(k+1) - q_k E(k) - q_k E(k+1)$$

which follows from expansion of determinant.

By the same reason, we see

$$e_k^q(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0 \text{ for } k=1, \dots, n.$$

Thus we get the presentation.

#### Examples

$$e_1^q(x_1, \dots, x_k) = tr = x_1 + \dots + x_k$$

$$e_2^q(x_1, \dots, x_k) = e_2(x_1, \dots, x_k) + q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_{k-1}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - a_1 \\ b_1 & x_2 - a_2 \\ b_2 & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \ddots & -a_{n-1} \\ b_{n-1} & x_n \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{\substack{w \in S_n \\ w^2 = id \\ |w(i)-w(i+1)| \leq 1}} \prod_{w(i)=i} x_i \prod_{w(i)=i+1} a_i b_i$$

#### 5. Further questions

for general  $w \in S_n$ , how to find  $\sigma_w = ?$ .

Answer: quantum Schubert polynomials.

The question is basically

"how to recover everything from Chevalley formula"

$$H^*(Fl_n) = \bigoplus_{w \in S_n} Q \sigma_w$$

$$= \bigoplus_{d \in (n, \dots, 0)} Q x^{\frac{d}{2}}$$

$$= \bigoplus_{d \in (1, \dots, n-1, 0)} Q e_d$$

where  $e_i = e_{i_1}(x_1) e_{i_2}(x_1, x_2) \dots e_{i_{n-1}}(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$ .

Denote  $e_i^q = e_{i_1}^q(x_1) e_{i_2}^q(x_1, x_2) \dots e_{i_{n-1}}^q(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$ .

Quantum Schubert polynomial

$$\tilde{G}_w^q = \sum k_{wi} e_i^q$$

$$\text{if } \tilde{G}_w = \sum k_{wi} e_i$$

Eg ( $n=3$ )

$$\boxed{x_1^2 x_2 = x_1(x_1 x_2)} \\ = x_1 * (x_1 * x_2 + q_1)$$

$$\boxed{x_1 x_2} \\ = x_1 * x_2 + q_1 \quad \boxed{231} \quad \boxed{321} \\ \boxed{231} \quad \boxed{312} \quad \boxed{312}$$

$$\boxed{x_1^2} \\ = x_1 * (x_1 + x_2) - (x_1 * x_2 + q_1) \\ = x_1 * x_1 - q_1$$

$$\boxed{x_1 + x_2} \\ \boxed{132} \quad \boxed{321} \quad \boxed{312} \quad \boxed{213} \\ \boxed{123} \quad \boxed{1}$$

## 6. Proof

may be expressed as polynomial of  
 $x_1, \dots, x_n$  using usual product

For any  $\gamma \in H^*(Fl_n)$ , how to express it as a polynomial of  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  using quantum product  $*$ .

1) We know for  $\sigma_w$  when  $w$  is special

2) If we know for  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$ , then so is  $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2$

We need extra knowledge ...

Lemma If the first descent of  $w$  is  $> k$ . then

$$x_k * \sigma_w = x_k \cdot \sigma_w$$

For  $i < k$ ,  $\ell(wr_{ik}) > \ell(w)$

For  $i > k$ ,  $\ell(wr_{ki}) > \ell(w) - \ell(r_{ki})$

$$\underset{k}{\cancel{\text{---}}} \quad ; \quad \text{i.e. } \partial_{r_{ki}} \sigma_w = 0$$

Coro If the first descent of  $w$  is  $> k$ . and  $\gamma \in H^*(Fl_n)$  can be expressed as a polynomial in  $x_1, \dots, x_k$

evaluated via  $*$ , then

$$\gamma * \sigma_w = \gamma \cdot \sigma_w$$

From the Lemma, we have

$$e_{i_1}(1) e_{i_2}(2) \dots e_{i_{n-1}}(n-1)$$

$$= (e_{i_1}(1) * e_{i_2}(2)) \dots e_{i_{n-1}}(n-1)$$

Since  $e_{i_1}(1) = e_{i_1}^1(x_1)$  only involves  $x_1$

$$= ((e_{i_1}(1) * e_{i_2}(2)) * e_{i_3}(3)) \dots e_{i_{n-1}}(n-1)$$

since  $e_{i_1}(1) * e_{i_2}(2) = e_{i_1}^1(x_1) e_{i_2}^1(x_1, x_2)$  only involves  $x_1, x_2$

$= \dots$

$$= e_{i_1}(1) * e_{i_2}(2) * \dots * e_{i_{n-1}}(n-1)$$

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## Symmetries of $\text{QH}^*(\text{Fl}_n)$

### 1. Seidel symmetry

let  $\gamma = (123\dots n)$ .



Clearly  $\gamma^n = \text{id}$

$$\gamma^k = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \end{array}^{\text{n-k}} \quad k$$

Define

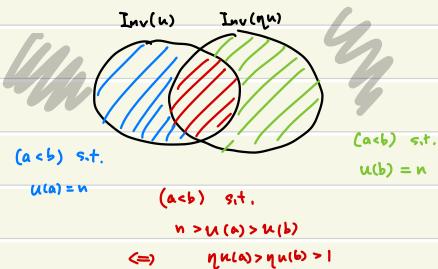
$$\sigma: \text{QH}^*(\text{Fl}_n) \longrightarrow \text{QH}^*(\text{Fl}_n)$$

$$\sigma_w \longleftrightarrow g_{w^{-1}(n)} \circ \sigma_{\gamma^n}$$

and extends  $\sigma$ -linearly.

Recall  $l(w) = \#\text{Inv}(w)$

$$\text{Inv}(w) = \{(i, j) : i < j \text{ and } w(i) > w(j)\}$$



As a result

$$\begin{aligned} l(\eta u) - l(u) &= \#\{(j > u'(u))\} - \#\{(i < u'(u))\} \\ &= (n - u^{-1}(n) - 1) - (u^{-1}(n) - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\deg g_{u^{-1}(n), n} = 2(n - u^{-1}(n))$$

Thus  $\sigma$  is homogeneous of degree  $n-1$ .

Prop If  $\gamma * \sigma_u = \sum (\dots) \sigma_w$

$$\text{Then } \gamma * \sigma(\sigma_u) = \sum (\dots) \sigma(\sigma_w)$$

We firstly show when  $\gamma$  is linear.

$$u_{tab} > u \quad u_{tab} < u$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \eta u_{tab} > \eta u & \square \quad \blacksquare \\ \eta u_{tab} < \eta u & \blacksquare \quad \square \end{array}$$

$$\text{LHS} = (\text{adding tab}) \circ (\text{adding } \eta)$$

$$\text{RHS} = (\text{adding } \eta) \circ (\text{adding tab})$$

LHS

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \blacksquare & = & \} \\ \text{rest} & = & \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} u^{-1}(n) = (u_{tab})^{-1}(n) \\ \dots \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\blacksquare \quad g_{an} = g_{ab} g_{bn} \quad u^{-1}(a) = a$$

$$\blacksquare \quad g_{ab} g_{bn} = g_{an} \quad u^{-1}(b) = b$$

As  $\text{QH}^*(\text{Fl}_n)$  is generated by  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ , the assertion is true.

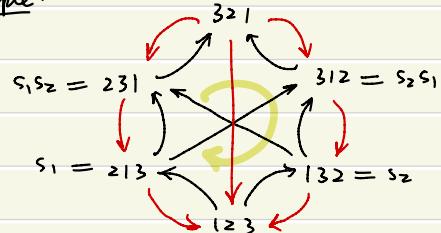
### 2. Quantum Bruhat graph

Put

$$u \rightarrow u_{tab} \quad \text{if } l(u_{tab}) = l(u) + 1$$

$$u \rightarrow u_{tab} \quad \text{if } l(u_{tab}) = l(u) - l(tab)$$

Example:



By above, if we forget colors,

$u \mapsto \eta u$  is a graph automorphism.

Let us denote

$$Q_{ab} u = \begin{cases} u_{tab} & u \rightarrow u_{tab} \\ u_{tab} & u \rightarrow u_{tab} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$R_{ab} = 1 + \leq Q_{ab}$$

$$R_{ba} = R_{ab}^{-1}$$

Then  $R_{ab}$  satisfies YBE

$$1) \quad R_{ab} R_{cd} = R_{cd} R_{ab} \quad \text{if } a \neq b, c \neq d \text{ distinct}$$



$$2) \quad R_{ab} R_{ac} R_{bc} = R_{bc} R_{ac} R_{ab}$$

Thus it is well-defined to denote

$$R^w = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \end{array}^{\text{n-m-1}} \quad \begin{array}{c} 1 & 2 & \dots & m-1 & n \\ \diagdown & \diagup & & \diagdown & \diagup \\ n & m-1 & \dots & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Thm } R^{w_0}(u) = \sum_{v \in S_n} \varepsilon^{l(u, v)} v$$

$l(u, v)$  = shortest path in QBG from  $u$  to  $v$ .

First show when  $\varepsilon = 1$ . Note that

$$Q_{i,i+1} u = \begin{cases} us_i & \text{if } l(us_i) = l(u) + 1 \\ us_i & \text{if } l(us_i) = l(u) - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$= us_i$$

$$R_{i,i+1} = I + (\text{Right } s_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Right } s_i) R_{i,i+1} = R_{i,i+1} = R_{i,i+1} (\text{Right } s_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow R^{w_0}(us_i) = R^{w_0}(u) = R^{w_0}(u)s_i$$

$$\Rightarrow R^{w_0}(u) = R^{w_0}(id) = (\text{Const}) \sum_{\substack{v \in S_n \\ 1}} v$$

same coefficient of  $w_0$  is 1

The case for general  $\varepsilon$  follows from a choice of ordering of  $(a < b)$  by lexicographical order.

