A raising operator formula for Macdonald polynomials via LLT polynomials in the Schiffmann algebra

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3. LLT polynomials in the elliptic Hall algebra

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Hidden Guide: Schur Positivity

"Naturally occurring" symmetric functions which are non-negative (coefficients in $\mathbb{N}[q,t]$) linear combinations in Schur polynomial basis are interesting since they could have representation-theoretic models.

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Remark: $M \cong \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2, x_3]/(\mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2, x_3]_+^{S_3})$.

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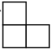
Δ $$= \det \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y_1 & x_1 \\ 1 & y_2 & x_2 \\ 1 & y_3 & x_3 \end{vmatrix} = x_3y_2 - y_3x_2 - y_1x_3 + y_1x_2 + y_3x_1 - y_2x_1$$

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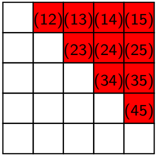

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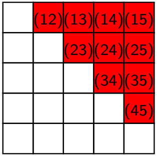

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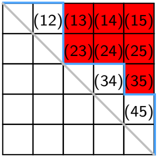

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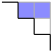
$\Psi =$  $\gamma = (1, 1, 1)$

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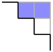
$\Psi =$  $\gamma = (1, 1, 1)$

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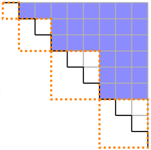
$B_{3321} =$ 

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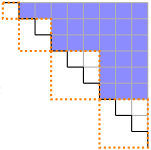
$B_{3321} =$ 

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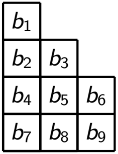

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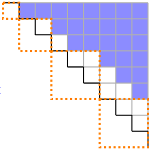

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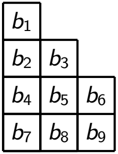

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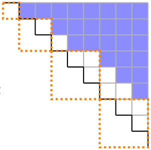

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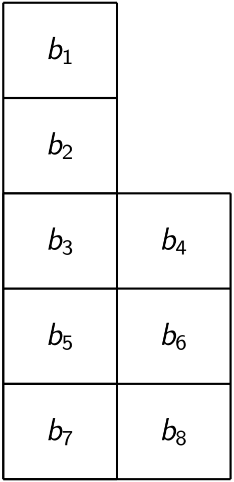

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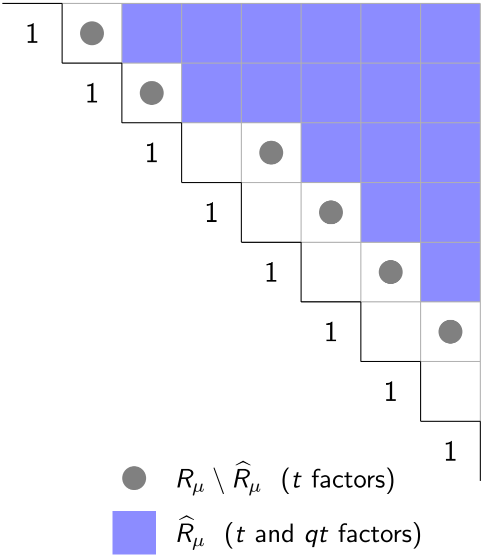

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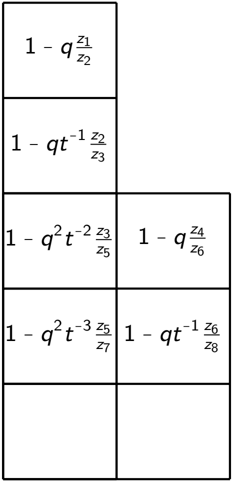

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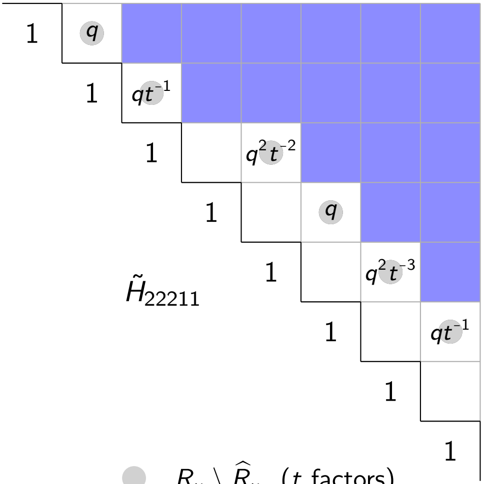

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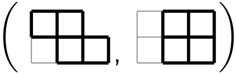
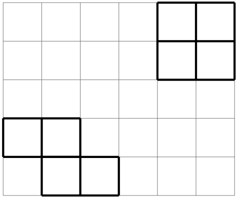
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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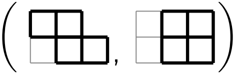
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 

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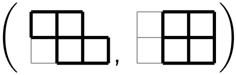
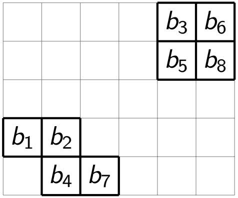
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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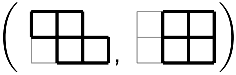
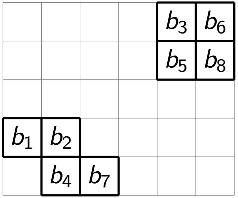
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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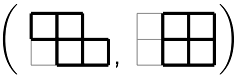
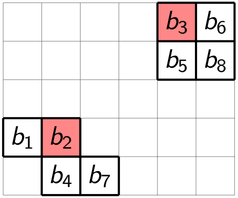
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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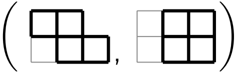
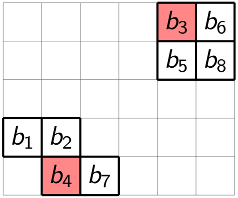
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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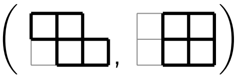
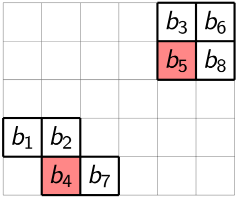
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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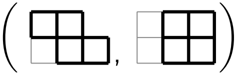
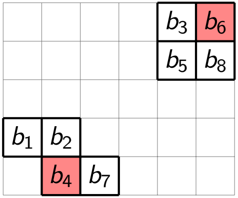
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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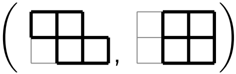
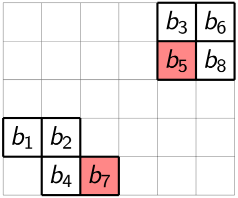
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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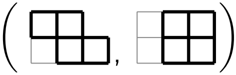
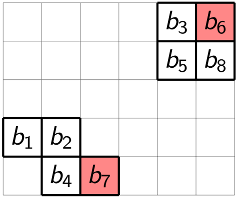
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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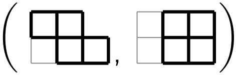
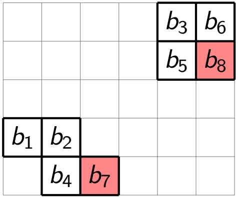
$\boldsymbol{\nu} =$ 



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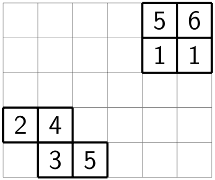

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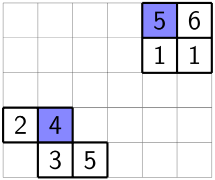

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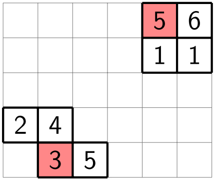

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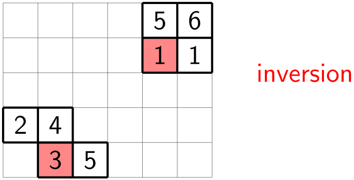

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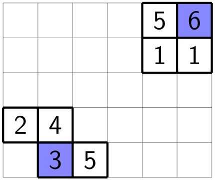

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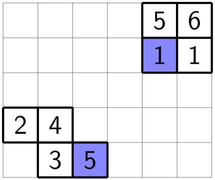

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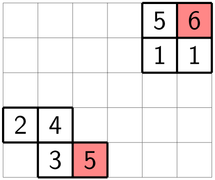

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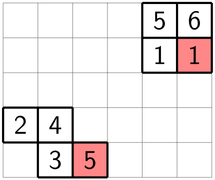

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$\mathrm{inv}(T) = 4, \quad \boldsymbol{x}^T = x_1^2 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5^2 x_6$

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With $n = 3$,

$$\begin{aligned} H(R_+, R_+, \{\alpha_{13}\}, (111)) &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{z}^{111}(1 - qtz_1/z_3)}{\prod_{1 \le i < j \le 3}(1 - qz_i/z_j)(1 - tz_i/z_j)}\right) \\ &= s_{111} + (q + t + q^2 + qt + t^2)s_{21} + (qt + q^3 + q^2 t + qt^2 + t^3)s_3 \\ &= \omega \nabla e_3. \end{aligned}$$

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For a tuple of skew shapes $\boldsymbol{\nu}$, the *LLT Catalanimal* $H_{\boldsymbol{\nu}} = H(R_q, R_t, R_{qt}, \lambda)$ is determined by

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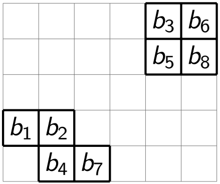

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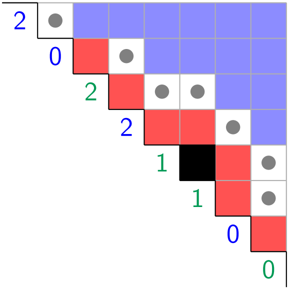

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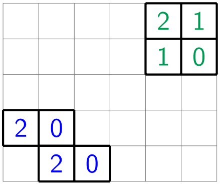

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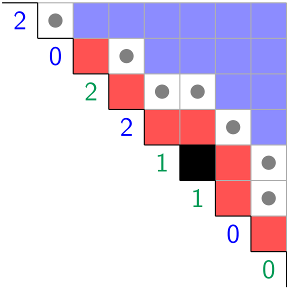

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Theorem (Blasiak-Haiman-Morse-Pun-S.)

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for some $c_{\boldsymbol{\nu}} \in \pm q^{\mathbb{Z}} t^{\mathbb{Z}}$.

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where

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Haglund-Haiman-Loehr formula example

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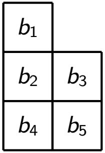

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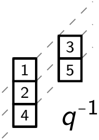

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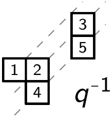

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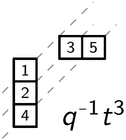

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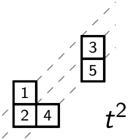

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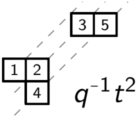

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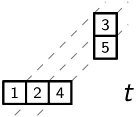

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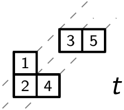

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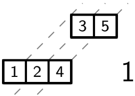

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$$\tilde{H}_\mu = \omega \boldsymbol{\sigma} \left(z_1 \cdots z_n \frac{\displaystyle\prod_{\alpha_{ij}\in R_\mu \setminus \widehat{R}_\mu} \left(1 - q^{\mathrm{arm}(b_i)+1} t^{-\mathrm{leg}(b_i)} z_i/z_j\right) \prod_{\alpha\in \widehat{R}_\mu} \left(1 - qt\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right)}{\prod_{\alpha\in R_+} \left(1 - q\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right) \prod_{\alpha\in R_\mu} \left(1 - t\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right)} \right).$$

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2. LLT Catalanimals lie in $\psi^{-1}(\Lambda(X^{1,1}))$.
3. Describe coproduct Δ on $\mathcal{E}$ explicitly on tame Catalanimals and show $\Delta H_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}$ matches $\Delta\mathcal{G}_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}$.
4. Conclude $\psi(H_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}) = c_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}^{-1}\mathcal{G}_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}(X^{1,1}) \in \mathcal{E}$.
5. Apply previous theorem to conclude $\nabla\mathcal{G}_{\boldsymbol{\nu}} = c_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}\omega H_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}$

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Conjecture (Blasiak-Haiman-Morse-Pun-S.)

For any partition μ and positive integer s, the symmetric function $\tilde{H}_\mu^{(s)}$ is Schur positive. That is, the coefficients in

$$\tilde{H}_\mu^{(s)} = \sum_\nu K_{\nu,\mu}^{(s)}(q,t)\, s_\nu(X)$$

satisfy $K_{\nu,\mu}^{(s)}(q,t) \in \mathbb{N}[q,t]$.

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Catalanimals in the shuffle algebra

For $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^n$,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^n_\Gamma(\boldsymbol{z}^\lambda) &= \sum_{w \in S_n} w\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{z}^\lambda \prod_{\alpha \in R_+}\left(1 - qt\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right)}{\prod_{\alpha \in R_+}\left(\left(1-\boldsymbol{z}^{-\alpha}\right)\left(1-q\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right)\left(1-t\boldsymbol{z}^\alpha\right)\right)}\right) \\ &= H(R_+, R_+, R_+, \lambda) \in \mathcal{S}_\Gamma.\end{aligned}$$

- Technicality: we have redefined $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{z}^\gamma) = \sum_{w \in S_n}\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{z}^\gamma}{\prod_{\alpha \in R_+}(1-\boldsymbol{z}^{-\alpha})}\right) = \chi_\gamma$, the irreducible GL_n character.
- Let pol_X send $\chi_\lambda \mapsto s_\lambda$ if $\lambda_n \geq 0$, otherwise $\chi_\lambda \mapsto 0$.
- The $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ from before is given by $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathrm{old}} = \mathrm{pol}_X\, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathrm{new}}$.

Catalanimals in the Shuffle algebra

$\sigma_\Gamma^n(f)$ can lie in $\mathcal{S}_\Gamma$ even when f is not a Laurent polynomial.

Theorem (Negut)

The following family of Catalanimals lie in the shuffle algebra:

$$\sigma_\Gamma^n\Big(\frac{\boldsymbol{z}^\lambda}{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1}(1-qtz_i/z_{i+1})}\Big) = H(R_+, R_+, R'_+, \lambda) \in \mathcal{S}_\Gamma,$$

where $\quad R'_+ = \{\alpha_{ij} \in R_+ \mid i+1 < j\}.$

The wheel condition

- A symmetric Laurent polynomial $g(\boldsymbol{z})$ satisfies the *wheel condition* if it vanishes whenever any three of the variables z_i, z_j, z_k are in the ratio $(z_i : z_j : z_k) = (1 : q : qt) = (1 : t : qt)$.
- Let $\mathcal{S}_{\check{\Gamma}} \cong \mathcal{S}_{\Gamma}$ for $\check{\Gamma}(z_i, z_j) = (1 - z_i/z_j)(1 - qz_j/z_i)(1 - tz_j/z_i)(1 - qtz_i/z_j)$.

Theorem (Negut)

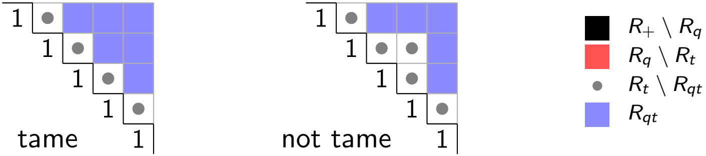
A symmetric Laurent polynomial $g(z_1, \ldots, z_n)$ belongs to $\mathcal{S}_{\check{\Gamma}}$ if and only if it satisfies the wheel condition and vanishes whenever $z_i = z_j$ for $i \neq j$.

The wheel condition and tame Catalanimals

A Catalanimal $H(R_q, R_t, R_{qt}, \lambda)$ is *tame* if

$$R_q + R_t \subseteq R_{qt},$$

where $R_q + R_t = \{\alpha + \beta \mid \alpha \in R_q, \beta \in R_t\}$.



The Catalanimals $H(R_+, R_+, R'_+, \lambda)$ and the LLT Catalanimals are tame.

Using Negut's theorem, we show: Tame Catalanimals belong to the shuffle algebra $\mathcal{S}_\Gamma$.