Raising operators in Schubert Calculus

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Representatives

Special basis of polynomials $\{f_\lambda\}$ such that $f_\lambda \cdot f_\mu = \sum_
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(Lam et al., 2010) leave open the question: what is a direct formulation of the K-homology representatives of the affine Grassmannian (K-k-Schur functions)?

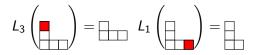
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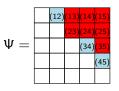


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Root ideal Ψ: given by Dyck path.



Roots above Dyck path Non-roots below

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Example

non-roots of Ψ , roots of \mathcal{L}

(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)
	(23)	(24)	(25)
		(34)	(35)
			(45)

$$K(\Psi; \mathcal{L}; 54332)$$

= $(1 - L_4)^2 (1 - L_5)^2$
 $\cdot (1 - R_{12})(1 - R_{34})(1 - R_{45})Kh_{54332}$

Definition

The *k-Schur root ideal*, $\Delta^{(k)}(\lambda)$ is the unique root ideal with $\lambda_i + \#$ non-roots in row i = k.

$$k = 4, \lambda = 332111$$



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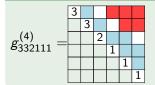
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Further work

For $G_{\lambda}^{(k)}$ an affine Grothendieck polynomial (dual to $g_{\lambda}^{(k)}$),

- **1** Dual Pieri rule: $G_{1r}^{\perp}g_{\lambda}^{(k)} = \sum_{\mu}??g_{\mu}^{(k)} \iff G_{1r}G_{\mu}^{(k)} = \sum_{\lambda}??G_{\lambda}^{(k)}, 1 \leq r \leq k$
- ② Branching rule: $g_{\lambda}^{(k)} = \sum_{\mu} ?? g_{\mu}^{(k+1)}$

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Thank you!

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