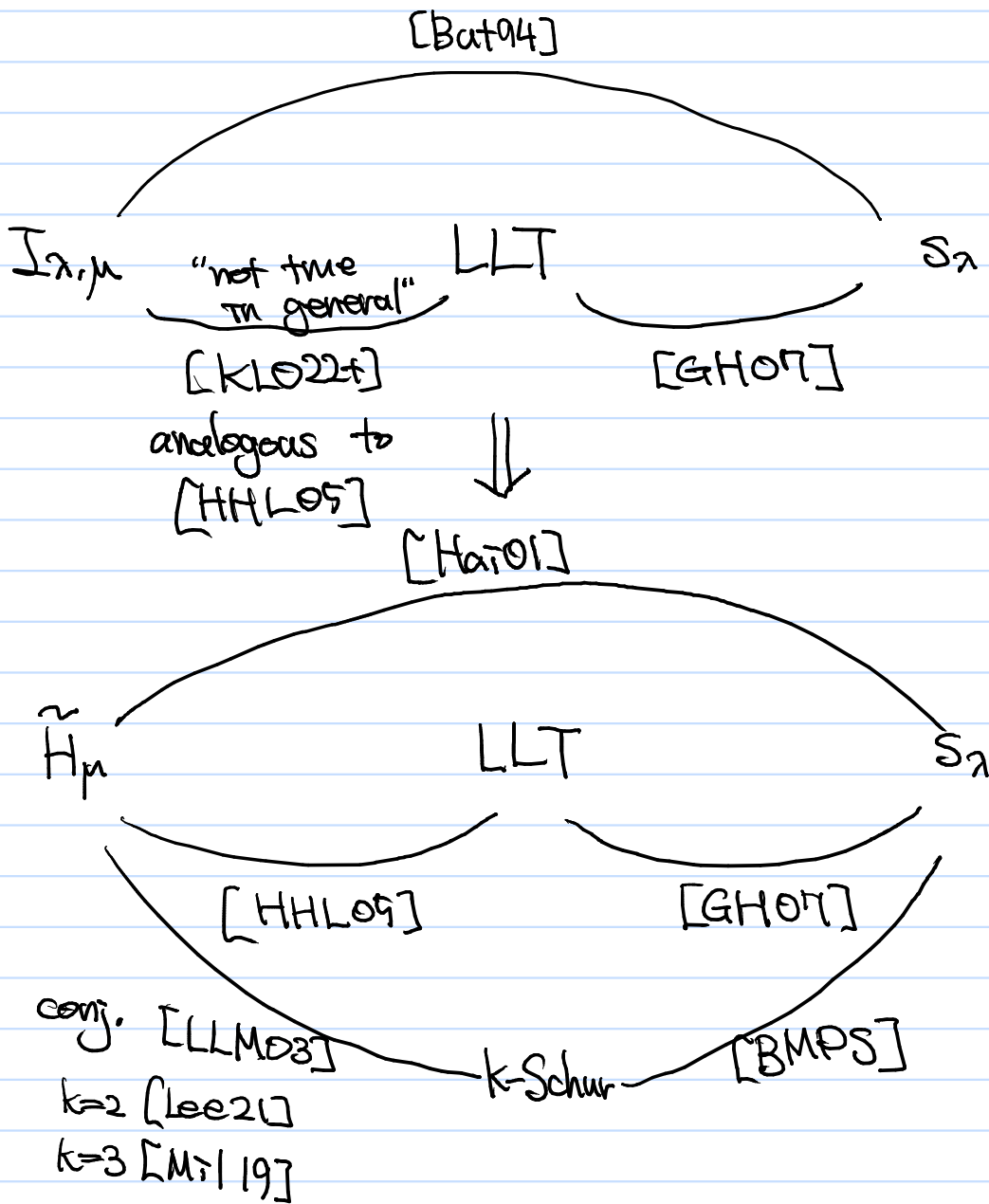


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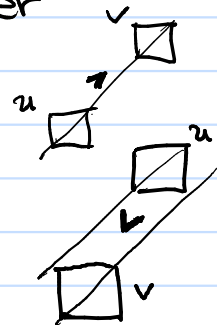
• LLT polynomials.

For a tuple $\nu = (\nu^{(1)}, \nu^{(2)}, \dots)$ of skew partitions, and its standard tableau $T = (T^{(1)}, T^{(2)}, \dots)$, an inversion of T is a pair of cells $u \in \nu^{(i)}$, $v \in \nu^{(j)}$ such that $T^{(i)}(u) > T^{(j)}(v)$ and either

• $i < j$ and $c(u) = c(v)$ or

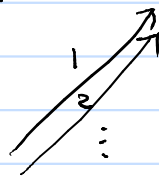
• $i > j$ and $c(u) = c(v) + 1$

where $c(i, j) = i - j$ is the content



$\text{inv}(T) = \#$ of inversions of T

$\text{rw}(T) =$ reading word of T



The LLT polynomial $\text{LLT}_\nu[x; q]$ is defined by

$$\text{LLT}_\nu[x; q] := \sum_{T \in \text{SST}(\nu)} q^{\text{inv}(T)} F_{\text{Des}(\text{rw}(T))}$$

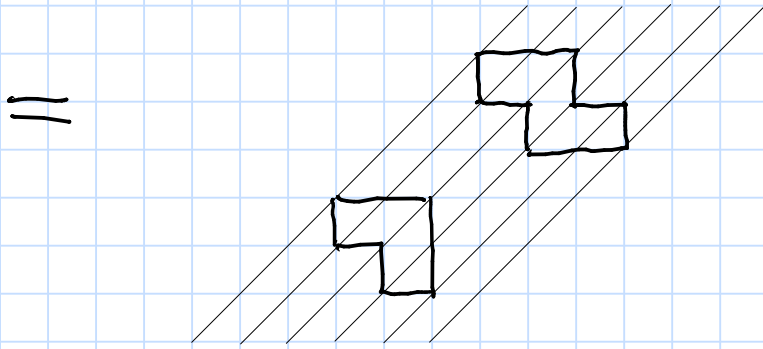
Prop • LLT polynomials are symmetric functions

• LLT polynomials are q -analogues of products of skew Schur functions:

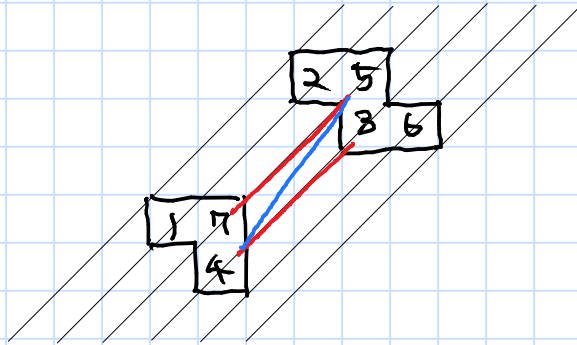
$$\text{LLT}_\nu[x; 1] = \prod_{i \geq 1} S_{\nu^{(i)}}[x]$$

• Garsnowski and Haiman proved that LLT polynomials are Schur positive [GH07]

$$U = ([2,2]/[1], [3,2]/[1]) = \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}, \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$



$$T =$$



$$\text{inv}(T) = 3 \quad \text{row}(T) = 1275436 \quad \text{2Des}(\text{row}(T)) = \{3,4,6\}$$

$$LLT_U[X; q] = \dots + q^3 F_{\{3,4,6\}} + \dots$$

• LLT equivalence [MT19]

Two linear combinations

$$\sum_{\nu \in X} a_{\nu}(q,t) \text{LLT}_{\nu} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{\mu \in Y} b_{\mu}(q,t) \text{LLT}_{\mu}$$

are LLT equivalent if for every tuple $\lambda = (\lambda^{(1)}, \lambda^{(2)}, \dots)$ of skew partitions, we have

$$\sum_{\nu \in X} a_{\nu}(q,t) \text{LLT}_{(\nu, \lambda)} = \sum_{\mu \in Y} b_{\mu}(q,t) \text{LLT}_{(\mu, \lambda)}$$

We will often write $\text{LLT}_{\nu} = \nu$
and LLT equivalence by

$$\sum_{\nu \in X} a_{\nu}(q,t) \nu \equiv \sum_{\mu \in Y} b_{\mu}(q,t) \mu$$

To prove an LLT equivalence, it is enough to construct a bijection $\Phi: \bigsqcup_{\nu \in X} \text{SYT}(\nu) \rightarrow \bigsqcup_{\mu \in Y} \text{SYT}(\mu)$ satisfying

(Suppose $T \in \text{SYT}(\nu) \mapsto \Phi(T) \in \text{SYT}(\mu)$)

$$(\Phi 1) \quad a_{\nu}(q,t) q^{\text{inv}(T)} = b_{\mu}(q,t) q^{\text{inv}(\Phi(T))}$$


$$(\Phi 2) \quad \text{idex}(T) = \text{idex}(\Phi(T))$$


$$(\Phi 3) \quad \{T(\omega) : \omega \in \nu, c(\omega) = m\} = \{T(\omega) : \omega \in \mu, c(\omega) = m\}$$


for all m .


• LLT expansion of the modified Macdonald polynomials

For an interval $I = [r, s]$ and a subset $S \subseteq I \setminus r$ we define $R_I(S)$ to be the ribbon with content set I and descent set S .

eg. $R_{[3]}(\emptyset) =$ 

$R_{[3]}(\{2\}) =$ 

$R_{[3]}(\{3\}) =$ 

$R_{[3]}(\{2, 3\}) =$ 

For a diagram D and a subset $S \subseteq D$ which contains no bottom cell, we define

$$R_D(S) = (R_{D^{(1)}}(S^{(1)}), R_{D^{(2)}}(S^{(2)}), \dots)$$

where $D^{(i)} = i$ th column of D (assume this is an interval)
 $S^{(i)} = S \cap D^{(i)}$

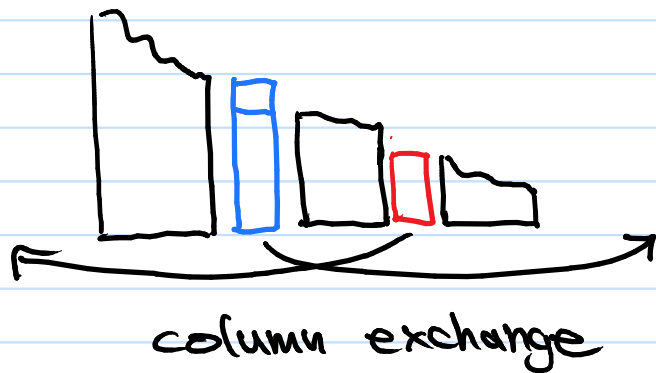
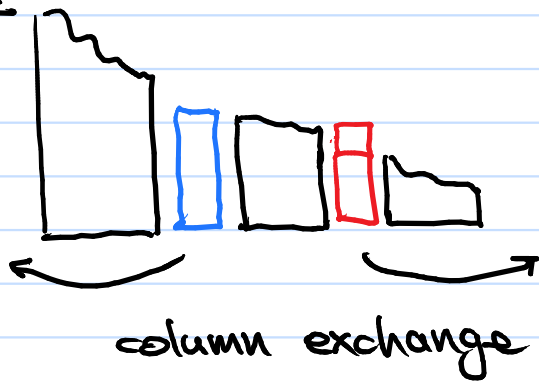
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_{(\alpha, \beta)} &= \sum_{\omega \in S_{|D|}} \underbrace{\text{inv}_D(\omega) \text{maj}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(\omega)}_{\downarrow} \underbrace{F_{\text{Des}(\omega)}} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{S \subseteq D \\ S \text{ contains} \\ \text{no bottom cell}}} \prod_{i \in S} \text{LLT}_{R_D(S)} [x; q] \end{aligned}$$

The bijection ϕ introduced in the "column exchange rule" gives an LLT equivalence between

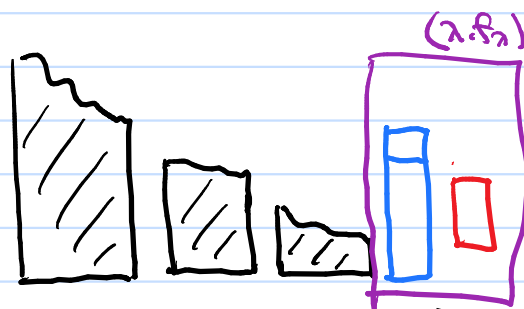
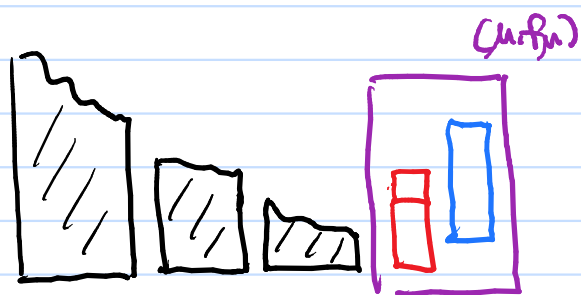
where (μ, β) and (α, β) satisfy $(*)$ and $\tilde{H}_{(\mu, \beta)} \sim \tilde{H}_{(\alpha, \beta)}$

• Partial results for Butcher's conjecture

Recall



Condition $(*)$ holds while applying column exchange rule (Lemma 5.2)



satisfy $(**)$

Suppose we can prove:

For (D, f) and (D', f') satisfying $(**)$,

$$\frac{\tilde{H}_{(D, f)} - \alpha \cdot \tilde{H}_{(D', f')}}{l - \alpha}$$

is LLT equivalent to a positive

linear combination of LLT polynomials.

Then we have s -positivity of $\tilde{I}_{\lambda, \mu}$

We prove this claim for $m=1$ / $m=2$

proof) $m=1$.

$$(D, F) = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \alpha \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array} \quad (D', F') = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{H}(D, F) = \alpha \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{H}(D', F') = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} \equiv \alpha \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\tilde{H}(D, F) - \alpha \tilde{H}(D', F')}{1 - \alpha} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

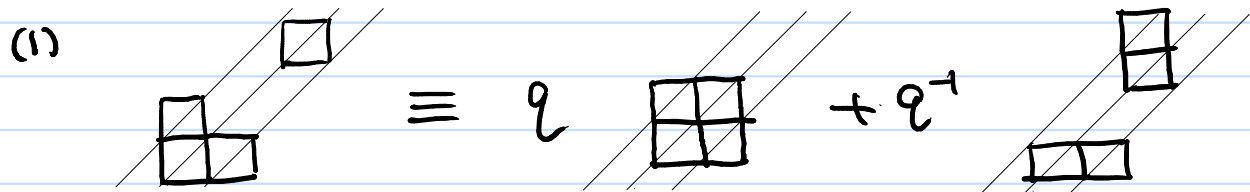
$m=2$

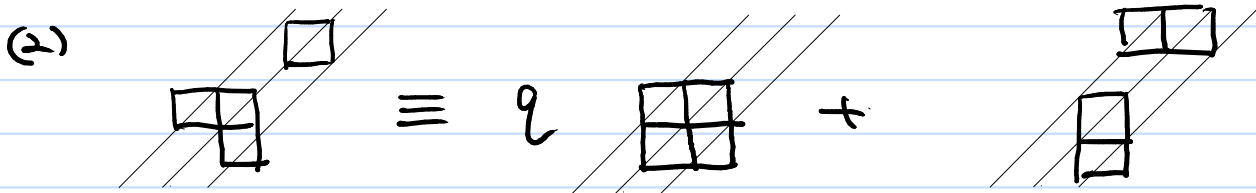
$$(D, F) = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \alpha \\ \hline \alpha \beta \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array} \quad (D', F') = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \alpha \\ \hline \beta \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \text{red arrow } m=2$$

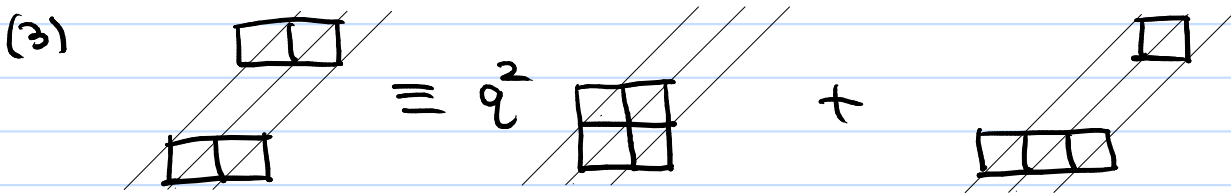
$$\tilde{H}(D, F) = \alpha^2 \beta \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \alpha \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \alpha \beta \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array}$$

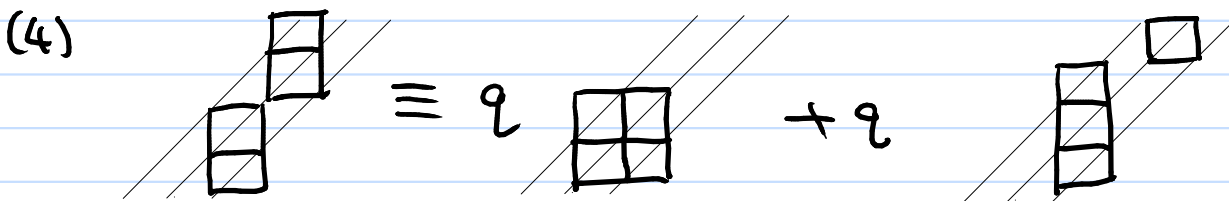
$$\tilde{H}(D', F') = \alpha \beta \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \alpha \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \beta \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Prop 6.3. [Miller 9]

(1) 

(2) 

(3) 

(4) 

$\tilde{H}_{(0,f)} = q\alpha^2\beta \text{ [diagram]} + q\alpha \text{ [diagram]} + \alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]} + \text{[diagram]}$

$\equiv q\alpha^2\beta \text{ [diagram]} + (q^2\alpha \text{ [diagram]} + \alpha \text{ [diagram]}) + (q\alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]} + \alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]}) + \text{[diagram]}$

$\tilde{H}_{(0',f')} = \alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]} + \alpha \text{ [diagram]} + \beta \text{ [diagram]} + \text{[diagram]}$

$\equiv (q\alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]} + q\alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]}) + \alpha \text{ [diagram]} + \beta \text{ [diagram]} + q^2 \text{ [diagram]} + \text{[diagram]}$

$\frac{\tilde{H}_{(0,f)} - \alpha \tilde{H}_{(0',f')}}{1 - \alpha} \equiv \alpha \text{ [diagram]} + q\alpha\beta \text{ [diagram]} + \text{[diagram]}$

Rmk

$$[\pm^q] \left(\frac{\tilde{H}_{(2,2,2)} - \frac{q}{\pm} \tilde{H}_{(2,2,1,1)}}{1 - \frac{q}{\pm}} \right) = S_{321} + q S_{2211}$$

This cannot be written as a positive linear combination of LLT polynomials indexed by tuples of content $(1,2,2,1)$



Cor $I_{\lambda, \mu} [X; q, 1]$ is Schur positive

pf) $\tilde{H}_{\mu} [X; q, 1] = \prod_{i=1}^{l(\mu)} \tilde{H}_{(\mu_i)} [X; q, 1]$

$$I_{\lambda, \mu} [X; q, 1] = \prod_{k \neq i, j} \tilde{H}_{(\mu_k)} [X; q, 1] \underbrace{I_{(\lambda_i, \lambda_j), (\mu_i, \mu_j)} [X; q, 1]}_{\text{Schur positive}}$$

$I_{(\lambda_i, \lambda_j), (\mu_i, \mu_j)} [X; q, t]$ is S -positive from the previous claim, so this completes the proof.

Using (q, t) -symmetry: $\tilde{H}_{\mu} [X; q, t] = \tilde{H}_{\mu'} [X; t, q]$

Cor $I_{\lambda, \mu} [X; 1, t]$ is Schur positive.