

# LLT polynomials

Lascoux, Leclerc & Thibon (1997)

Motivation: the Fork space rep'n of quantum affine algebra  $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_n)$ .

• contains  $S_\lambda$ ,  $S_{\lambda/\mu}$ , Hall-Littlewood pol  $H_\mu(X; q)$

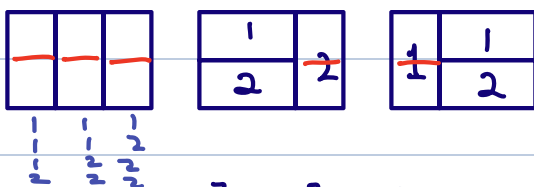
• LLT polyn  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Macdonald polyn. } \tilde{H}_\mu(X; q, t) \\ \text{CSF. } \chi_\pi \text{ (pleth substitution)} \\ \text{Diagonal harmonic. DH, } \nabla \text{ en, ...} \\ \text{Kazhdan-Lusztig pol.} \end{array} \right.$

## Original def (LLT)

ribbon functions on  $k$ -ribbon tableaux  $SSYT^{(k)}(\lambda/\mu)$

Def (LLT)  $G_{\lambda/\mu}^{(n)}(X; q) = \sum_{\tau} q^{\text{spin}(\tau)} X^\tau$

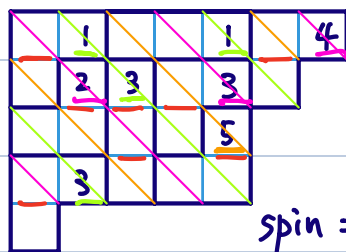
eg  $\lambda = 3, 3$ ,  
 $\mu = \emptyset$   
 $n = 2$



$$G_{33}^{(2)}(x_1, x_2; q) = q^3 (x_1^3 + x_1^2 x_2 + x_1 x_2^2 + x_2^3) + q (x_1 x_2^2 + x_1^2 x_2)$$

eg  $\lambda = 76551$   
 $\mu = \emptyset$   
 $n = 3$

fill label in upper right corner



spin = 8

$$\Rightarrow q^8 x_1^2 x_2 x_3^3 x_4 x_5$$

$$\text{spin} = \sum_{\text{ribbon}} (h(\tau) - 1)$$

•  $n$ -quotient bijection

( $\boxed{234}$ ,  $\boxed{\begin{smallmatrix} 11 \\ 33 \end{smallmatrix}}$ ,  $\boxed{5}$ ) shape only depends on  $\lambda, \mu$  &  $n$ .

• Bylund & Haiman's definition is equivalent to LLT

(see HHL/HHLRU)  
Mac.  $\rightarrow$  DH.

Def Let  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu^1, \dots, \nu^k)$  be a tuple of skew shapes.

for a cell  $u : (r^{\text{row}}, c^{\text{col}})$ , define level is  $lv(u) = r - c$ .

define label is  $u$ .

For a  $T = (T^1, \dots, T^k) \in \text{SSYT}(\vec{\nu}) = \text{SSYT}(\nu^1) \times \dots \times \text{SSYT}(\nu^k)$ .

define inversion of  $T$  is

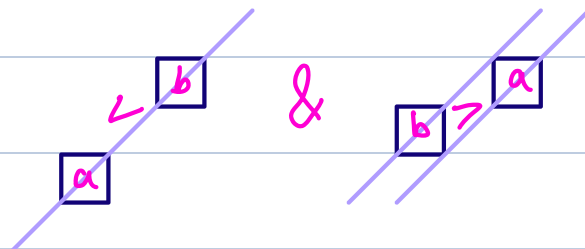
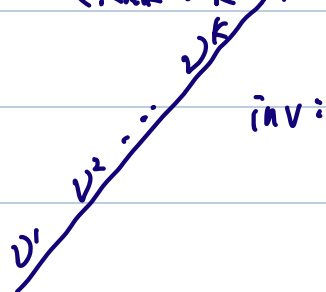
$$\text{inv}(T) = \#\{(u, v) \in (\nu^i, \nu^j) \mid u < v \text{ \& } \begin{matrix} i < j, lv(u) = lv(v) \\ i > j, \text{ or } lv(u) = lv(v) - 1 \end{matrix}\}$$

$$\star \text{LLT}_{\vec{\nu}}(X; q) = \sum_{T \in \text{SSYT}(\vec{\nu})} q^{\text{inv}(T)} X^T$$

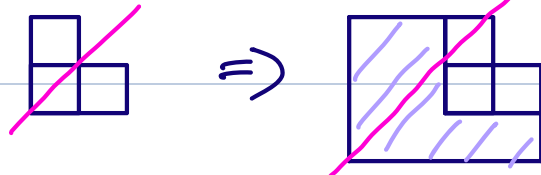
$$(\text{Rmk} : k=1 \rightarrow \text{LLT}_{\nu^1}(X; q) = S_{\nu^1})$$

lv:

|   |    |    |
|---|----|----|
| 2 | 1  |    |
| 1 | 0  | -1 |
| 0 | -1 | -2 |

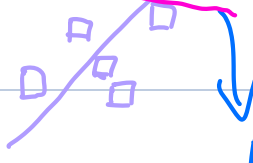


Rmk can place skew shapes in infinite lattice at any height



• If  $\nu^i$ 's are ribbons / columns / unit cells, then called

ribbon LLT  $\supset$  column LLT  $\supset$  unicellular LLT. (all important)



Dyck path without decoration

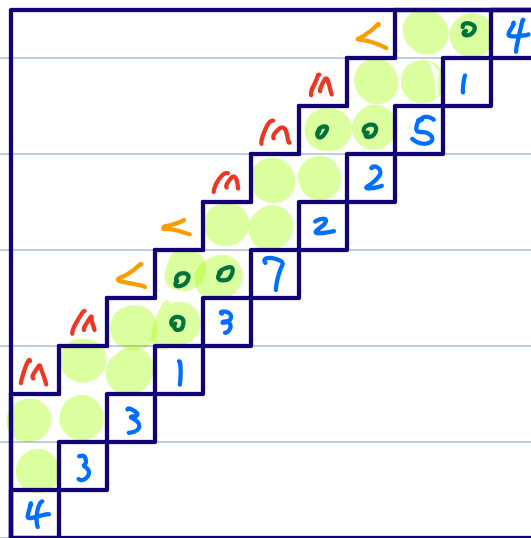
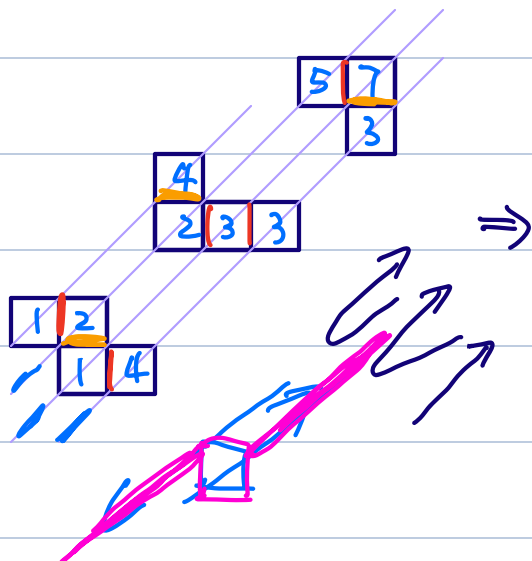
Dyck path LLT:

all outer corner decorated w/  $\boxed{\swarrow}$

$C_n$

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eg



inversion = 6

ribbon LLT can be represented by a Dyck path decorated by  $\boxed{<}$  or  $\boxed{!}$  on outer corners.

inversion =  $\boxed{area} \rightarrow b$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $a$

• Properties : symmetric (alg & comb proof)

Schur-pos. (Grojnowski & Haiman, Hecke alg.)

• Fundamental quasi-symmetric fcn expansion.

$$LLT_{\vec{v}}(X; q) = \sum_{T \in SYT(\vec{v})} q^{inv(T)} F_{pDes(T)}$$

• Schur expansion : open ! (even uncellular case!)

$$LLT_{\pi}(X; q) = \sum_{T \in SYT(n)} q^{stat?} S_{\lambda(T)} ?$$

• e-positivity : (Alexandersson - Sulzgruber)

$$LLT_{\pi}^{\downarrow column}(X; q+1) = \sum_{S \subseteq area(\pi)} q^{|S|} e_{\lambda(S)} \text{ construction.}$$

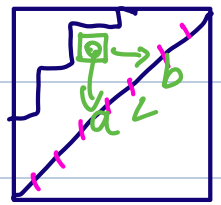
Comb proof of LLT symmetry (HHLRU)

$$i^a i_{i+1}^b \rightarrow i^b i_{i+1}^a \text{ preserve } \underline{inv}$$

case:  $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline i+1 & i+1 & i+1 & i+1 \\ \hline i & i & i & i \\ \hline \end{array}$  : keep unchanged.



# Connection w/ CSF



- Let  $\pi$  be a Dyck path.

let  $LLT_{\pi}(X; q)$  is the corresponding unicellular LLT:

$$LLT_{\pi}(X; q) = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n} q^{\text{inv}_{\pi}(w)} \chi^w$$

- $\chi_{\pi}(X; q)$  is the correspondingly unit interval graph CSF

$$\chi_{\pi}(X; q) = \sum_{\substack{w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n \\ \text{non attacking}}} q^{\text{inv}_{\pi}(w)} \chi^w$$



Thm (Carlsson - Mellit 15')

$$LLT_{\pi}(\underbrace{(qX - X)}_{\text{plethysm}}) = \underbrace{(q-1)^n}_{\text{plethysm}} \cdot \chi_{\pi}(X; q)$$

$$(*) \quad L=R$$

- What is  $LLT_{\pi}(X - Y)$ ?  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$   $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots\}$

- by Haglund,

$$\text{Let } \mathbb{A} = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \mathbb{Z}_{< 0}.$$

$$z_i = \begin{cases} x_i & i > 0 \\ -y_{|i|} & i < 0 \end{cases}$$

- we impose any total order on  $\mathbb{A}$ , call " $<$ "

Then define:  $\text{inv}(w) = \#\{(a, b) : \begin{matrix} \boxed{a} \rightarrow b \\ \downarrow a \end{matrix} \& (\underline{a < b} \text{ or } \underline{a = b < 0})\}$

$$LLT_{\pi}(X - Y) = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{A}^n} q^{\text{inv}(w)} z^w$$

Proof of (\*): we define the order:

$$-1 < 1 < -2 < 2 < -3 < 3 < \dots$$

Thus if  $|i| < |j|$  then  $i < j$ .

$$\text{Let } X = \{qx_1, qx_2, \dots\} \quad Y = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$$

$$\text{LHS of } (*) \text{ is } LLT_{\pi}(qX - X) = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{A}^n} q^{\text{inv}(w)} z^w$$

$$\text{where } z_i = \begin{cases} qx_i & i > 0 \\ -x_i & i < 0 \end{cases}$$

We divide  $A^n$  into 2 disjoint sets  $W_1 \cup W_2$ .

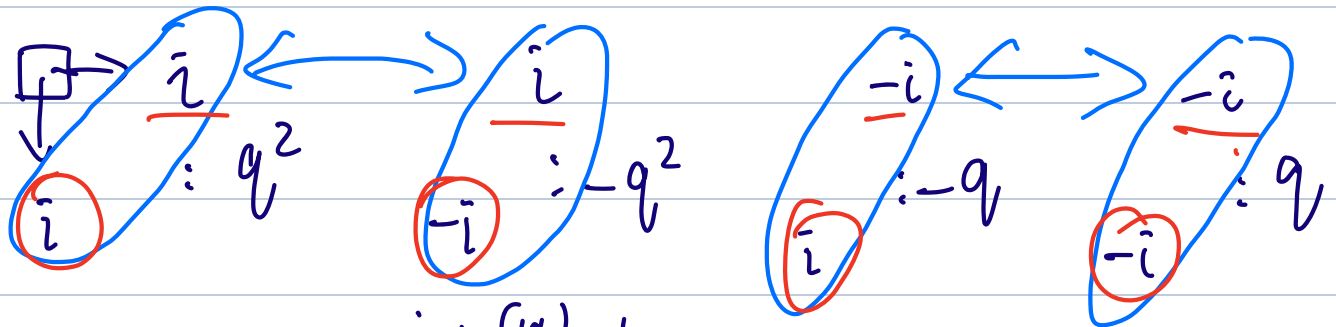
$$W_1 = \{w \in A^n : |w| \text{ non-attacking}\}$$

$$W_2 = A^n \setminus W_1 \quad (\exists \begin{array}{c} \boxed{a} \rightarrow b \\ \downarrow \\ a \end{array} \quad (a=|b|))$$

It's clear that:

$$\sum_{w \in W_1} q^{\text{inv}(w)} z^w = (q-1)^n \chi_\pi(X; q)$$

WTS:  $\sum_{w \in W_2} q^{\text{inv}(w)} z^w = 0$  by involution.



$$\Rightarrow \sum_{w \in W_2} q^{\text{inv}(w)} z^w = 0.$$

