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Highest weight vectors, power sums, and Young tableaux

(Implementing GCT: On the separation of orbit closures via symmetries)

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- Let $G := \mathrm{GL}_m$, $p = x_1^D + \cdots + x_m^D$.
- We have formulas for $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[Gp])$.
- We want formulas for $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}])$.

We find a connection between these two via tableau-theoretic interpretations of both multiplicities.

This leads to the first multiplicity obstructions for orbit closure containment, based only on symmetry groups (2nd talk).
(with Kandasamy, STOC 2020)

This talk:

A tableau-theoretic interpretation of $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}])$.

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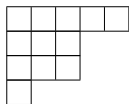
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- Let $\text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m := \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_m]_D$.
- Let $G := \text{GL}_m$
- G acts linearly on $\text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$ via $(gp)(x) := p(g^{-1}x)$.
- Let $X \subseteq \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$ be a closed subvariety that is closed under the action of G .
- For example, $X = \overline{Gp}$ an orbit closure.
- Let $\text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m := \mathbb{C}[\text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m]_\delta$.
- G acts linearly on $\text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$ via $(gf)(p) := f(g^{-1}p)$, i.e., $\text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$ is a G -representation.
- Let $I(X) = \{f \in \mathbb{C}[\text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m] \mid f(X) = \{0\}\}$ be the vanishing ideal.
- Let $I(X)_\delta = \{f \in \text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m \mid f(X) = \{0\}\}$ be the homogeneous degree δ component of the vanishing ideal.
- Since X is closed under the action of G , $I(X)_\delta$ is also closed under the action of G , i.e., $I(X)_\delta$ is a G -representation.
- $\mathbb{C}[X] = \mathbb{C}[\text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m]/I(X)$ is the coordinate ring.
- Alternatively: $\mathbb{C}[X] \simeq \{f|_X \mid f \in \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m\}$ via restrictions of the domain of definition to X .
- $\mathbb{C}[X]_\delta = \text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m / I(X)_\delta$.
- Since $\text{Sym}^\delta \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$ is a G -representation and $I(X)_\delta$ is a subrepresentation, it follows that $\mathbb{C}[X]_\delta$ is a G -representation.

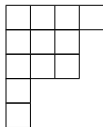
- $\text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{C}^2 = \langle x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2 \rangle$.
- $G = \text{GL}_2$.
- $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (x_1^2 + x_1x_2) = (x_2^2 + x_1x_2)$.
- $X = \{\ell^2 \mid \exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C} : \ell = \alpha x_1 + \beta x_2\} \subseteq \text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{C}^2$.
- $X = \overline{\text{GL}_2 x_1^2}$.
- $\text{Sym}^2 \text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{C}^2 = \langle a^2, ab, ac, b^2, bc, c^2 \rangle$
 $a = (x_1^2)^*, b = (x_1x_2)^*, c = (x_2^2)^*$
- $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (a^2 + ac + b^2) = c^2 + ac + b^2$
- $b^2 - 4ac \in I(X)$
- $I(X)_2 = \langle b^2 - 4ac \rangle$
- $g(b^2 - 4ac) = \det(g)^2(b^2 - 4ac)$
- $\dim \mathbb{C}[X]_2 = 6 - 1 = 5$
- $\dim \mathbb{C}[X]_2 = \text{Sym}^2 \text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{C}^2 / \langle b^2 - 4ac \rangle$

Young tableaux

- A **partition** is finite nonincreasing list of natural numbers. E.g., $\lambda = (5, 3, 3, 1)$
- The top-left-justified array of boxes with λ_i boxes in row i is called the **Young diagram** of λ .



The transpose λ^t :



- We often identify λ with its Young diagram.
- We write $\lambda \vdash_m d$ if λ is a Young diagram with d boxes and at most m rows.
- For $\lambda \vdash d$, we write $[\lambda]$ for the irreducible \mathfrak{S}_d -representation of type λ .
- For $\lambda \vdash_m$, we write $\{\lambda\}$ for the irreducible GL_m -representation of type λ .
- A **Young tableau** or just **tableau** $T : \lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is an assignment of numbers to the boxes of λ .

1	1	1	2	2
2	3	3		
3	4	4		
4				

- A Young tableau is called **semistandard** if each column is increasing from top to bottom and every row is nondecreasing from left to right.

The **superstandard tableau** \mathbb{S}_λ of shape λ has only entries i in row i :

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2		
3	3	3		
4				

The **column-standard tableau** T_λ of shape λ :

1	5	8	11	12
2	6	9		
3	7	10		
4				

Multiplicities and highest weight polynomials

- Every GL_m -representation \mathcal{V} decomposes (not necessarily uniquely) into a direct sum of irreducible subrepresentations:

$$\mathcal{V} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash m} \{\lambda\}^{\oplus c_\lambda}$$

For example:

$$\mathrm{Sym}^\delta \mathrm{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash m} \{\lambda\}^{\oplus a_\lambda(\delta, D)}$$

- These nonnegative integers c_λ (and hence also $a_\lambda(\delta, D)$) are independent of the decomposition. They are called **representation theoretic multiplicities**. $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathcal{V}) := c_\lambda$.
 $a_\lambda(\delta, D)$ is called a **plethysm coefficient**.

Every irreducible GL_m -representation contains exactly one (up to scale) **highest weight vector** (HWV):

- $\mathrm{diag}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m) f = \alpha_1^{\lambda_1} \cdots \alpha_m^{\lambda_m} f$
- $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & * \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} f = f$

The exponent vector λ is called the **weight** of f .

Two irreducible GL_m -representations are **isomorphic** iff the weights of their HWVs coincide.

Example: $g(b^2 - 4ac) = \det(g)^2(b^2 - 4ac)$, hence $b^2 - 4ac$ is a HWV of weight $(2, 2)$.

- $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathcal{V}) = \dim \mathrm{HWV}_\lambda(\mathcal{V})$
- $\mathrm{mult}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[X]_\delta) = \dim \left((\mathrm{HWV}_\lambda(\mathrm{Sym}^\delta \mathrm{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m))|_X \right)$.

Some papers with coauthors where HWVs are explicitly constructed from Young tableaux:

1. *16,051 formulas for Ottaviani's invariant of cubic threefolds*, with Abdesselam and Royle 2014:
 $\lambda = (9, 9, 9, 9, 9)$, $D = 3$, $\delta = 15$.
2. *Symmetrizing Tableaux and the 5th case of the Foulkes Conjecture*, with Cheung and Mkrtychyan 2015:
 $(\delta, D) = (5, 5), (5, 6), (6, 6)$.
3. *Fundamental invariants of orbit closures*, with Bürigsser 2015:
rectangular λ .
4. *On GCT: Multiplicity obstructions are stronger than occurrence obstructions*, with Dörfler and Panova 2019:
 $D = 6, 7$.
5. *On the complexity of evaluating highest weight vectors*, with Bläser and Dörfler 2020:
HWV evaluation is NP-hard. Efficient algorithms for evaluation for low tree-width.
6. *Equations for GL invariant families of polynomials* with Breiding, Michałek, Hodges 2021:
 $D = 3$, $\delta = 11$, $\lambda = (15, 6, 6, 6)$. Software and database.
Uses Hodges' fast tableau straightening code, arXiv:1710.05214
7. *Implementing GCT: On the separation of orbit closures via symmetries*, with Kandasamy 2019:
HWV construction is implicit from the existence of certain invariants.

Many other authors, because this is a very classical approach.

In this talk we study the power sum:

- $p := x_1^D + \cdots + x_m^D \in \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$.
- $G := \text{GL}_m$.

We want to understand $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}]_\delta)$ in terms of Young tableaux.

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$T(r, c)$: entry of T in row r and column c .

Let $\{e_i\} \subset \mathbb{C}^m$ standard basis.

Let $\mu = \lambda^t$.

tableau $T : \lambda \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}$

\updownarrow 1:1 correspondence

basis vector $e_{T(1,1)} \otimes e_{T(2,1)} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{T(\mu_1,1)} \otimes e_{T(1,2)} \otimes e_{T(2,2)} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{T(\mu_2,2)} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{T(\mu_{\lambda_1}, \lambda_1)} \in \bigotimes^{|\lambda|} \mathbb{C}^m$

This gives a vector space isomorphism: $\{\text{linear combinations of tableaux of shape } \lambda\} \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigotimes^{|\lambda|} \mathbb{C}^m$.

The G -action, which is given by $g(v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_{|\lambda|}) = g(v_1) \otimes \dots \otimes g(v_{|\lambda|})$, is inherited:

Example:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

The vector space of shuffle relations (Grassmann-Plücker relations)

The subrepresentation $K(\lambda)$ is spanned by

- $T + T'$, where T' is a tableau that arises from T by switching two numbers within one column.
- $T - \Sigma S$, where for two fixed columns j, j' and a fixed number of entries k the sum is over all tableaux S that arise from T by exchanging the top k entries in column j with any k entries in column j' , preserving the internal vertical order.

Theorem

$\{\lambda\} \simeq (\bigotimes^{|\lambda|} \mathbb{C}^m) / K(\lambda)$. Basis: the semistd tableaux of shape λ with entries from $\{1, \dots, m\}$. HWV: \mathbb{S}_λ

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array} = - \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array}; \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 4 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 4 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array} - \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 4 & \\ \hline \end{array}; \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 4 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 4 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}; \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 1 & \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & & & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

If we insist that every $1, \dots, m$ appears exactly once, we obtain the Specht modules $[\lambda]$, i.e., the irreps of \mathfrak{S}_m .

Averaging

- Let $T : \lambda \rightarrow \{1, \dots, \delta\}$ be a tableau.
- Let $\varphi : \{1, \dots, \delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}$ be a map.
- Define $\varphi T := \varphi(T)$ naively.

Example: $\begin{bmatrix} \varphi(1) = 2 \\ \varphi(2) = 2 \\ \varphi(3) = 1 \end{bmatrix}$ implies $\varphi \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & & \\ 3 & & & & \end{array} \right) = \underbrace{\begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{array}}_{=0 \text{ in } \{(5,3,1)\}} .$

The “orbit average”:

$$M_{\delta,m} T := \sum_{\varphi: \{1, \dots, \delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}} \varphi T \in \{\lambda\}^{\mathfrak{S}_m}$$

Example: $M_{3,2} \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & & \\ 3 & & & & \end{array} = \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & & \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & & \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & & \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{array} + \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & & \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} = 0$

Main Theorem of this talk (coordinate ring of the orbit closure of the power sum expressed via tableaux)

Let $p := x_1^D + \dots + x_m^D \in \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$. Let $G := \text{GL}_m$.

Let $\lambda \vdash \delta D$. The vector space $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}]_\delta)$ is generated by the functions

$$g \mapsto \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, g M_{\delta,m} T \rangle, \quad \langle S, T \rangle = \delta_{S,T}$$

where T runs over all semistandard tableaux of shape λ in which each entry $1, \dots, \delta$ appears exactly D times.

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Well-definedness:

$$\text{stab}(p) \simeq C_D \wr \mathfrak{S}_m$$

For $q \in Gp$ we have $q = gp$, but g is unique only up to right-mult. with $\text{stab}(p)$: $gp = ghp$ with $h \in \text{stab}(p)$.

Example ($D = 3, \delta = 4, m = 2$)

The cyclic group part: If $\omega^3 = 1$, then $\text{diag}(\omega, 1) \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 1 & & & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 1 & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$

The symmetric group part: If $h \in \mathfrak{S}_m$, then $hM_{\delta,m}T$ and $M_{\delta,m}T$ are the same sum, just permuted order of summands.

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Discriminant $T = \frac{1}{4} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$

Discriminant at x_1^2 is zero: $M_{2,1}T = \frac{1}{4} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} = 0$. It follows that it vanishes on Waring rank 1.

Discriminant at $x_1^2 + x_2^2$ is nonzero: $M_{2,2}T = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} = 2 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad \left\langle \frac{1}{4} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}, 2 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$

Aronhold invariant: The HWV to

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ \hline 3 & 4 & 4 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

vanishes on Waring rank 3. But one calculates that it does not vanish on $x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3 + (x_1 + x_2 + x_3)^3 \in \overline{\text{GL}_4(x_1^3 + \cdots + x_4^3)}$.

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where T runs over all semistandard tableaux of shape λ in which each entry $1, \dots, \delta$ appears exactly D times.

In the second talk we will see how to construct such functions, using a similar description for functions in $\mathbb{C}[Gp]$:

Theorem (HWVs in the coordinate ring of the orbit)

The vector space $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[Gp]_d)$ decomposes into a direct sum of vector spaces $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[Gp]_d) = \bigoplus_{\varrho \vdash_m d} \mathcal{W}_\varrho$, and each \mathcal{W}_ϱ is generated by the functions

$$g \mapsto \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, gP_m S \rangle,$$

where S runs over all semistandard tableaux S of shape λ and content ϱD .

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m & \rightarrow & \text{Sym}^{\delta} \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m & \rightarrow & \mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}]_{\delta} \\
 \cup & & \cup & & \cup \\
 \text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m) & \rightarrow & \text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\text{Sym}^{\delta} \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m) & \rightarrow & \underbrace{\text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}]_{\delta})}_{\text{our goal}}
 \end{array}$$

Theorem (Schur-Weyl duality)

$$\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash_m \delta D} \{\lambda\} \otimes [\lambda], \quad \text{HWV}_{\nu}(\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m) \simeq [\nu]$$

This implies: If we find $v_{\lambda} \in \text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m)$, then

$$\text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m) = \text{linspan}(\{\pi v_{\lambda} \mid \pi \in \mathfrak{S}_{\delta D}\}).$$

An example of such a $v_{\lambda} \in \text{HWV}_{\lambda}(\bigotimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m)$:

$$v_{\lambda} := e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\mu_1} \otimes e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\mu_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\mu_{\lambda_1}},$$

where $\mu = \lambda^t$.

Example: $e_1 \wedge e_2 \otimes e_1 \wedge e_2 = \frac{1}{2}(e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) \otimes \frac{1}{2}(e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1) \in \text{HWV}_{(2,2)}(\bigotimes^4 \mathbb{C}^2)$$

↓ (23)

$$\frac{1}{4}(e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1) \in \text{HWV}_{(2,2)}(\bigotimes^4 \mathbb{C}^2)$$

Defining polynomials via tensor contraction

Let $v \in \otimes^{\delta D} \mathbb{C}^m$.

$\forall y \in \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m : f(y) := \langle v, y^{\otimes \delta} \rangle$ defines a polynomial $f \in \text{Sym}^{\delta} \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$.

- Example (evaluation at $x_1^2 + x_2^2$, which as a tensor is $e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2$):

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \frac{1}{4}(e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1), (e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2)^{\otimes 2} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \langle 1122 - 2112 - 1221 + 2211, 1111 + 1122 + 2211 + 2222 \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Evaluation at $x_1 x_2$, which as a tensor is $\frac{1}{2}(e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \frac{1}{4}(e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1), \left(\frac{1}{2}(e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1)\right)^{\otimes 2} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \langle 1122 - 2112 - 1221 + 2211, 1212 + 1221 + 2112 + 2121 \rangle = \frac{1}{16} \cdot (-2) = -\frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Remark that we recognize this: $-\frac{1}{8}b^2 + \frac{1}{2}ac = -\frac{1}{4}(b^2 - 4ac)$, the discriminant.

- Alternative way to calculate via keeping the determinants:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle (23)(1 \wedge 2 \otimes 1 \wedge 2), 1111 + 1122 + 2211 + 2222 \rangle = \langle 1 \wedge 2 \otimes 1 \wedge 2, 1111 + 1212 + 2121 + 2222 \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- Alternative way to calculate via contraction with superstandard tableau (this talk's main theorem):

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbb{S}_{2,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, M_{2,2}T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \frac{1}{\prod_i \mu_i!} \langle \mathbb{S}_{2,2}, M_{2,2}T \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Evaluation at the power sum

Let $p := x_1^D + \dots + x_m^D \in \text{Sym}^D \mathbb{C}^m$.

We calculate

Let $gp = \ell_1^D + \dots + \ell_m^D$, i.e., $\ell_i = g_{1..m,i}$.

Let $y := gp$.

$$y^{\otimes \delta} = \sum_{\varphi: \{1, \dots, \delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}} \ell_{\varphi(1)}^D \otimes \dots \otimes \ell_{\varphi(\delta)}^D.$$

Recall $v_\lambda := e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \dots \wedge e_{\mu_1} \otimes e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \dots \wedge e_{\mu_2} \otimes \dots \otimes e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge \dots \wedge e_{\mu_{\lambda_1}}$.

Let f be the polynomial defined by the tensor $\pi^{-1}v_\lambda$.

$$f(y) := \langle \pi^{-1}v_\lambda, y^{\otimes \delta} \rangle = \langle v_\lambda, \pi(y^{\otimes \delta}) \rangle$$

T_λ is the column-standard tableau.

$$\left(\prod_i \mu_i! \right) \langle v_\lambda, \pi(y^{\otimes \delta}) \rangle \stackrel{\text{expand } y^{\otimes \delta}}{=} \sum_{\substack{\beta: \{1, \dots, \delta D\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\} \\ \text{respecting } \pi T_\lambda}} \underbrace{\prod_{c=1}^{\lambda_1} \det(g_{1.. \mu_c, \beta(\pi T_\lambda(1, c))}, \dots, g_{1.. \mu_c, \beta(\pi T_\lambda(\mu_c, c))})}_{=:(*)},$$

where β **respects** a tableau S if all numbers $1, \dots, D$ are mapped to the same value, and all numbers $D+1, \dots, 2D$ are mapped to the same value, and so on.

Lemma: $(*) = \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, g(\beta \pi T_\lambda) \rangle$

Therefore the vector space $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}])$ is generated by the functions

$$g \mapsto \sum_{\substack{\beta: \{1, \dots, D\delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\} \\ \text{respecting } S}} \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, g\beta(S) \rangle,$$

where S runs over all tableaux of shape λ with every number from $1, \dots, D\delta$ exactly once.

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We want:

Main Theorem of this talk (coordinate ring of the orbit closure of the power sum expressed via tableaux)

The vector space $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[\overline{Gp}]_\delta)$ is generated by the functions

$$g \mapsto \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, gM_{\delta,m}T \rangle,$$

where T runs over all semistandard tableaux of shape λ in which each entry $1, \dots, \delta$ appears exactly D times.

Given a standard tableau S we define a semistandard tableau T (or $T = 0$) by replacing the first D entries $1, \dots, D$ by the number 1, the next D entries $D+1, \dots, 2D$ by the number 2, and so on.

$$g \mapsto \sum_{\substack{\beta: \{1, \dots, D\delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\} \\ \text{respecting } S}} \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, g\beta(S) \rangle$$

can be rewritten as
(1:1 corresp. between summands)

$$g \mapsto \sum_{\varphi: \{1, \dots, \delta\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}} \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, g\varphi(T) \rangle$$

By definition of $M_{\delta,m}$, this can be rewritten as:

$$g \mapsto \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, gM_{\delta,m}T \rangle,$$

which finishes the proof. □

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In the second talk we will see how to construct such functions, using a similar description for functions in $\mathbb{C}[Gp]$:

Theorem (HWVs in the coordinate ring of the orbit)

The vector space $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[Gp]_d)$ decomposes into a direct sum of vector spaces $\text{HWV}_\lambda(\mathbb{C}[Gp]_d) = \bigoplus_{\varrho \vdash md} \mathcal{W}_\varrho$, and each \mathcal{W}_ϱ is generated by the functions

$$g \mapsto \langle \mathbb{S}_\lambda, gP_mS \rangle,$$

where S runs over all semistandard tableaux S of shape λ and content ϱD .

Thank you for your attention!