

A charge monomial basis of the Garsia–Procesi ring

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Combinatorial Definitions

- A **standard Young tableau** (SYT) of shape $\lambda \vdash n$ is a filling of λ where $\{1, \dots, n\}$ appear exactly once and the entries are increasing within the rows and columns.

$$\lambda = (4, 2, 1)$$

6	5
13	117

- For a permutation $\sigma \in S_n$ the **Major index** statistic is $\text{maj}(\sigma) := \sum_{i, \sigma(i) > \sigma(i+1)} i$.
- The **Robinson–Schensted correspondence** gives a bijection $S_n \leftrightarrow \{(P, Q) \mid P, Q \in \text{SYT}_n, \text{shape}(P) = \text{shape}(Q)\}$ where $\sigma \mapsto (P(\sigma), Q(\sigma))$.

Charge

The **Charge** statistic on permutations is related to maj by $\text{maj}(\sigma) = \text{charge}(w)$ for $\sigma = \text{rev}(w^{-1})$.

The **charge word** $c(w)$ of w is a labeling of w given by:

- label 1 by 0,
- if we label i by k_i , we label $i + 1$ by $\begin{cases} k + 1 & \text{if } i + 1 \text{ is to the right of } i \\ k & \text{if } i \text{ is to the left of } i \end{cases}$

The word consisting of these labels is the charge word $c(w)$.

$$w = 4 \ 2 \ 1 \ 5 \ 3 \\ c(w) = 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 1$$

Here are some facts about charge:

- $\text{charge}(w)$ is the sum of the entries in $c(w)$.
- For SYT T , define $\text{charge}(T) := \text{charge}(\text{rw}(T))$ where $\text{rw}(T)$ is the **row reading word** of T .
- If $P(w) = P(w')$, then $\text{charge}(w) = \text{charge}(w')$.

Frobenius character

For a S_n representation V , the **Frobenius character** of V ($\text{Frob}(V)$) is a symmetric function encoding its decomposition into irreducibles via the map $\text{ch}(\lambda) \mapsto s_\lambda[X]$.

$$\text{Frob}(V_{(2,1)} \oplus V_{(1,1,1)}) = s_{(2,1)} + s_{(1,1,1)}$$

For graded $V = \oplus_{i \geq 0} V_i$, the **graded Frobenius character** $\text{Frob}_q(V)$ is $\text{Frob}_q(V) = \sum_{i \geq 0} q^i \text{Frob}(V_i)$.

The coinvariant ring

The **coinvariant ring** R_n is defined to be

$$R_n = \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{x}] / \langle e_k(\mathbf{x}) \text{ for } k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \rangle \\ \text{where } e_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_k}$$

As S_n -representations, R_n is isomorphic to...

- Regular rep of S_n (ungraded)
- Cohomology ring of the flag variety (as graded S_n reps)

Monomial bases of coinvariant ring

Remark

- $\text{Hilb}_q(R_n) = [n]_q!$ where $[k]_q = (1 + q + \dots + q^{k-1})$.
- $\text{Prob}_q(R_n) = \sum_{T \in \text{SYT}_n} q^{\text{charge}(T)} s_{\text{shape}(T)}$

There are two well-known monomial base of R_n , both indexed by permutations $\sigma \in S_n$.

- Artin basis $\{f_\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i < j, \sigma(i) > \sigma(j)} x_{\sigma(i)}\}$
- Descent basis $\{g_\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i, \sigma(i) > \sigma(i+1)} x_{\sigma(i)} \cdots x_{\sigma(i+1)}\}$ where $\deg(g_\sigma) = \text{maj}(\sigma)$.

Why are these bases nice?

Both bases are compatible with the Hilbert series of R_n : $\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} q^{\text{inv}(\sigma)} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} q^{\text{maj}(\sigma)} = [n]_q! = \text{Hilb}_q(R_n)$.

Garsia–Procesi rings

For $\mu \vdash n$, the **Garsia–Procesi ring** R_μ are quotients of the coinvariant ring, defined to be:

$$R_\mu = \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{x}] / I_\mu$$

where the ideal I_μ is generated by

$$\{e_d(S) \mid S \subset \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, |S| = p!s(\mu) < d \leq |S|\}$$

where $p!s(\mu)$ is the number of boxes that are **not** in the first $(n - k)$ columns of the Young diagram of μ .

As S_n -representations, R_μ is isomorphic to...

- the induction of the trivial $1 \uparrow S_n^\mu$ (ungraded)
- Cohomology ring of Springer fibers indexed by μ (Springer fiber \subset Flag variety)

Modified Hall–Littlewood polynomials

For $\mu \vdash n$, we have

$$\text{Frob}_q(R_\mu) = \tilde{H}_\mu[X; q]$$

where $\tilde{H}_\mu[X; q]$ is the *modified Hall–Littlewood polynomial*.

Theorem (Lascoux 1989)

$$\tilde{H}_\mu[X; q] = \sum_{T \in \text{SYT}_\mu} q^{\text{charge}(T)} s_{\text{shape}(T)}, \\ \text{cotype}(T) \models \mu$$

where T' denotes the transpose of T .

The **catabolizability type** $\text{cotype}(T)$ of a SYT is a partition. There exists a cocharge/shape preserving bijection:

$$\{T \in \text{SYT}_n \mid \text{cotype}(T) \models \mu\} \leftrightarrow \{S \in \text{SSYT} \text{ with weight } \mu\}.$$

Question

Find a description of a monomial basis of R_μ that is

- a subset of the Artin basis/Descent basis,
- compatible with

$$\text{Prob}_q(R_\mu) = \sum_{T \in \text{SYT}_\mu} q^{\text{charge}(T)} s_{\text{shape}(T)} \\ \text{cotype}(T) \models \mu \\ \text{Hilb}_q(R_\mu) = \sum_{w \in S_n} q^{\text{charge}(w)}, \\ \text{cotype}(P(w)) \models \mu$$

Theorem

The set $\{\mathbf{x}^{c(w)} \mid w \in S_n, \text{cotype}(P(w)) \models \mu\}$ is a monomial basis of R_μ .

There is an alternative construction of this basis due to Carlson–Chou [1] but it is not compatible with $\text{Hilb}_q(R_\mu)$.

Example: basis of R_μ for $\mu = (2, 1, 1)$

S	$\{w \mid P(w) = S\}$	$\{x^{c(w)} \mid P(w) = S\}$						
<table><tr><td>2</td><td>1</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>4</td></tr></table>	2	1	3	1	1	4	$\{2134, 2314, 2341\}$	$\{x_2x_3^2, x_2x_1^2, x_2x_2^2\}$
2	1	3						
1	1	4						
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2	4							
1	3							
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4	2							
2	1							
1	3							
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3	2							
1	4							
<table><tr><td>4</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>1</td></tr></table>	4	3	2	1	$\{4321\}$	$\{1\}$		
4	3							
2	1							

Why is this basis nice?

- It is a subset of the descent basis of R_n . (charge \leftrightarrow maj)
- It is compatible with

$$\text{Hilb}_q(R_\mu) = \sum_{w \in S_n} q^{\text{charge}(w)}, \\ \text{cotype}(P(w)) \models \mu$$

- It gives an elementary proof of $\text{Prob}_q(R_\mu) = \tilde{H}_\mu[X; q]$ that only depends on the **ungraded** Probabilities character.

This gives the **first direct connection** between the structure of R_μ as a ring and the combinatorial formula for $\tilde{H}_\mu[X; q]$.

$$\text{Frob}_q(R_\mu) = \tilde{H}_\mu[X; q]$$

For $\mathbb{C}S_n$ -module V , $\text{Frob}_q(V)$ is determined by

$$\text{Hilb}_q(N_\gamma V) = \langle e_\gamma, \text{Frob}_q(V) \rangle$$

for all $\gamma \vdash n$, where $N_\gamma = \sum_{\sigma \in S} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \sigma$.

We also know

$$\langle e_\gamma, \tilde{H}_\mu[X; q] \rangle = \sum_{w \in S_n} q^{\text{charge}(w)}, \\ \text{des}(w) \in \{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \dots + \gamma_{l-1} + \gamma_l\}$$

Proposition

Let $\mu, \gamma \vdash n$. The set $\{N_\gamma \mathbf{x}^{c(w)} \mid w \in S_n, \text{cotype}(P(w)) \models \mu, \text{des}(w) \in \{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \dots + \gamma_{l-1} + \gamma_l\}\}$ is a basis of $N_\gamma R_\mu$ where $\text{des}(w) = \{i \mid w_i > w_{i+1}\}$.

This implies the following:

Corollary

We have

$$\text{Frob}_q(R_\mu) = \tilde{H}_\mu[X; q].$$

Proof.

$$\text{Hilb}_q(N_\gamma R_\mu) = \sum_{w \in S_n} q^{\text{charge}(w)}, \\ \text{des}(w) \in \{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \dots + \gamma_{l-1} + \gamma_l\}$$

Example: basis of $N_\gamma R_\mu$ for $\gamma = (2, 2)$

There are 5 SYT P that satisfy $\text{cotype}(P) \models (2, 1, 1)$:

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

Note that $\text{des}(w) = \text{des}(Q(w))$. There are 3 SYT Q such that $\text{des}(Q) \subset \{2\} = \{\gamma_1\}$:

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

We have two pairs (P, Q) where P, Q are the same shape

$$\left(\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \leftrightarrow w = 2314 \leftrightarrow c(w) = 0102, \\ \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \leftrightarrow w = 2413 \leftrightarrow c(w) = 0101.$$

The basis of $N_\gamma R_\mu$ is $\{N_\gamma(x_2x_1^2), N_\gamma(x_2x_4)\}$.

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