

Matrix Loci, Orbit Harmonics, and Shadow Play

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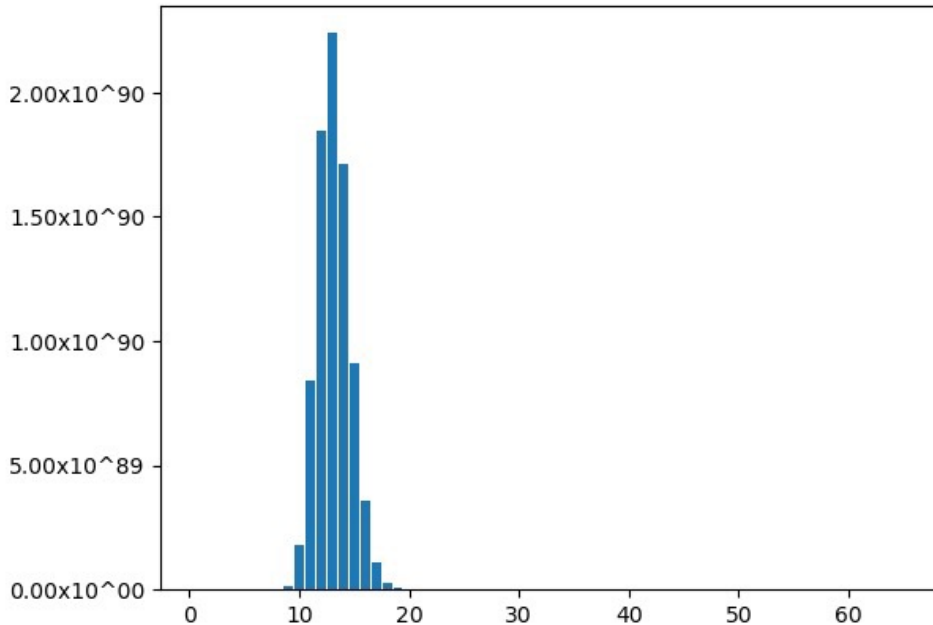
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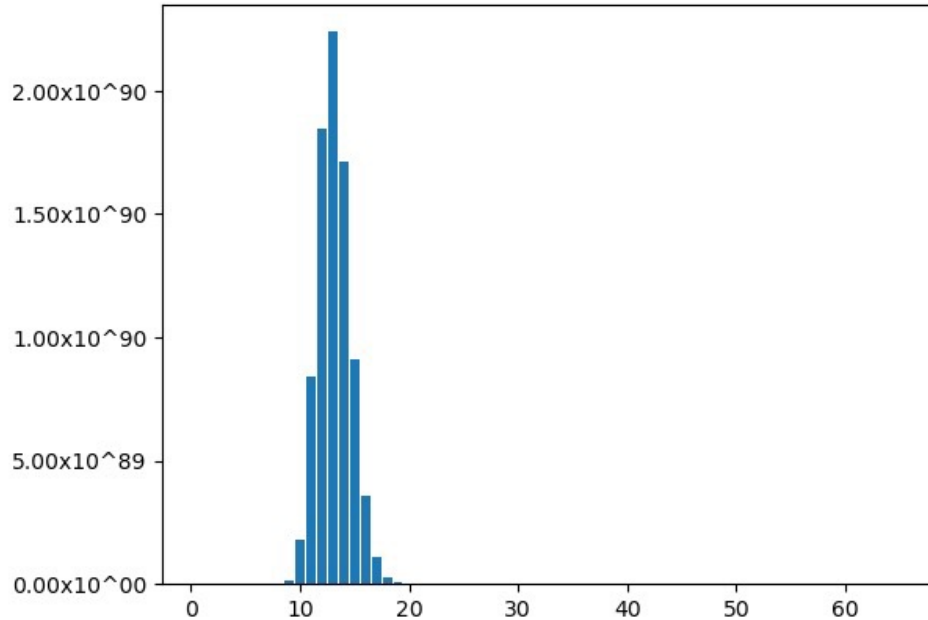
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$$X_{n \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{variables}$$

$I_n \subseteq \mathbb{C}[X_{n \times n}]$ is the ideal generated by

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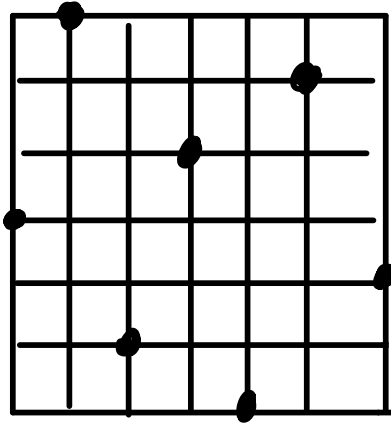
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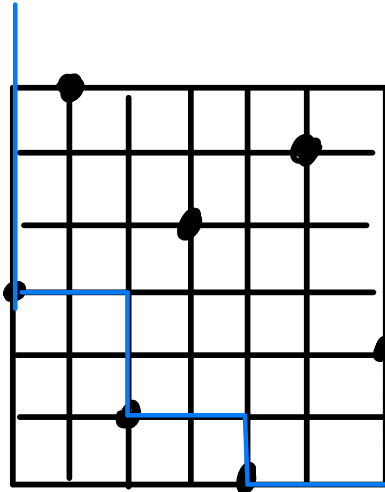
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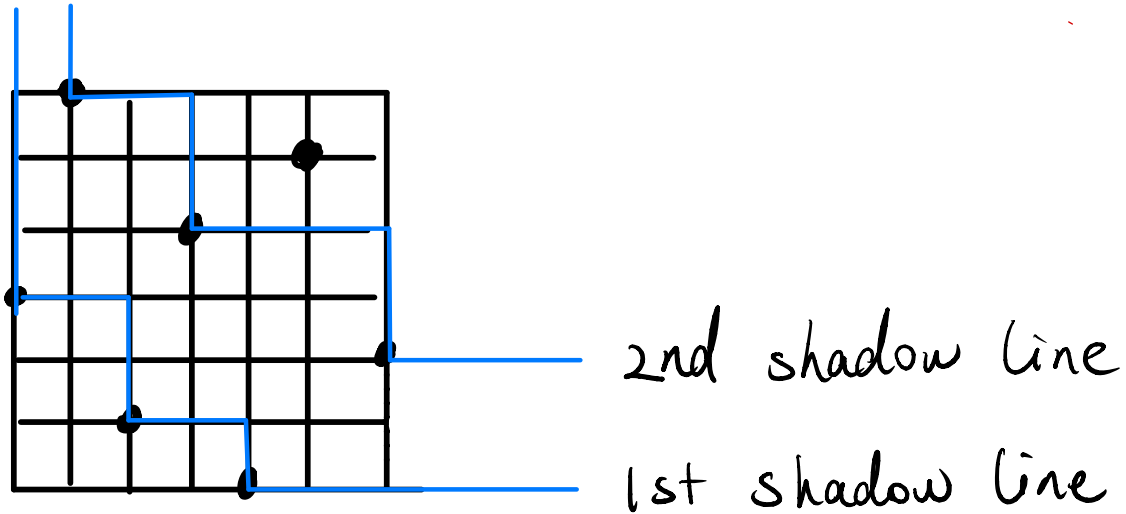
1st shadow line



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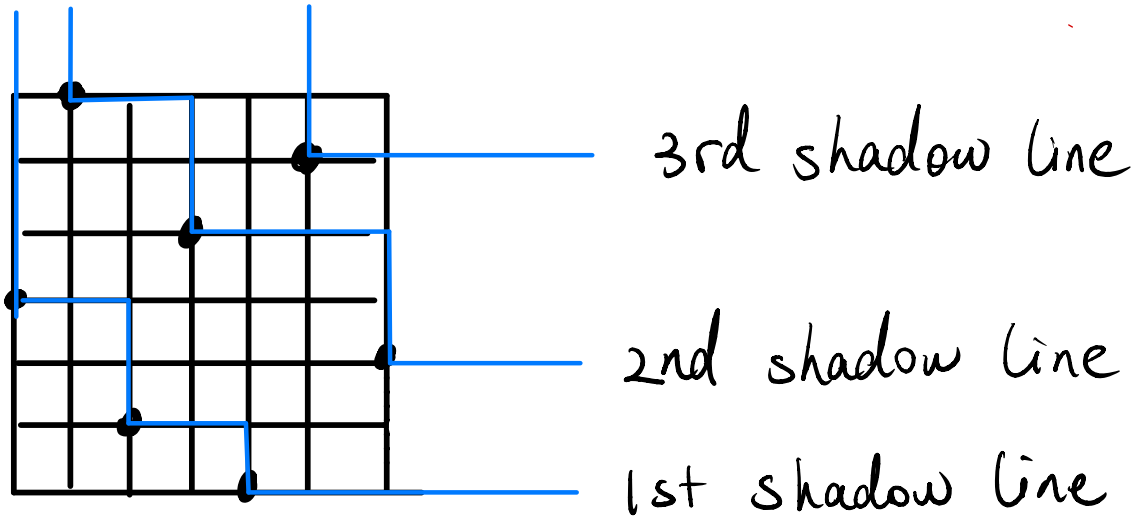
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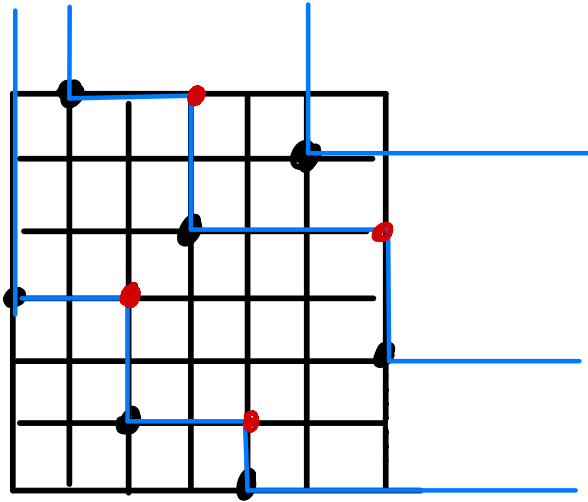
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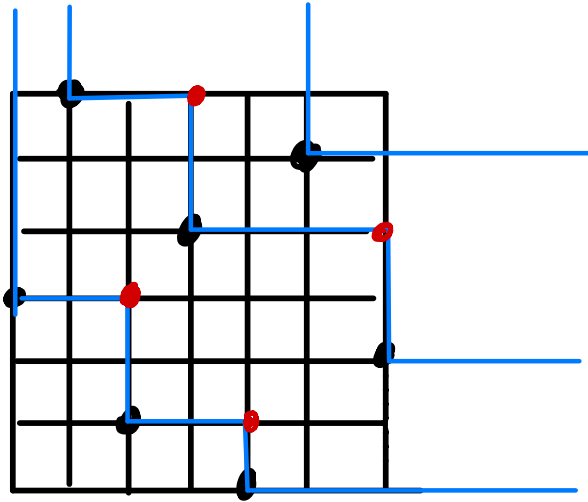
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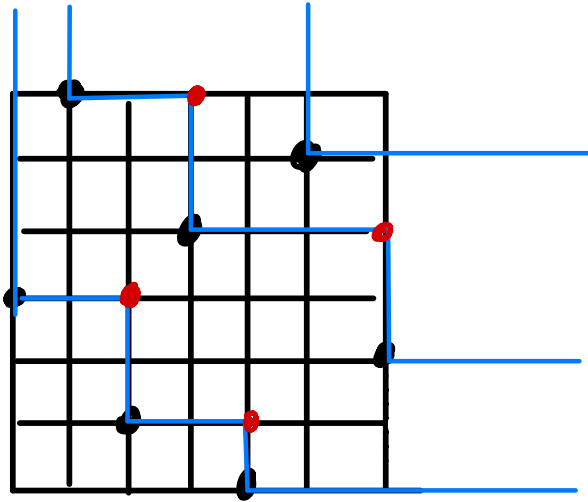
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$$s(w) = x_{34} x_{47} x_{52} x_{75}$$



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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cor Hilb}(\mathbb{C}[X_{n \times n}]/I_n; q) &= a_{n,n} + a_{n,1}q + \cdots + a_{n,1}q^{n-1} \\ &= \sum_{w \in \mathfrak{S}_n} q^{n - \text{ls}(w)} \end{aligned}$$

Graded Module Structure

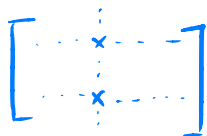
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Q: what is the
(graded) $G_n \times G_n$
representation structure
of $\mathbb{C}[X_{n \times n}] / I_n$?

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$$\left(\mathbb{C}[x_{n \times n}] / I_n \right)_d \cong \bigoplus_{\substack{\lambda \vdash n \\ \lambda_1 = n-d}} V^\lambda \otimes V^\lambda$$

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$$\cong R(Z) := \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / \text{gr } I(Z)$$

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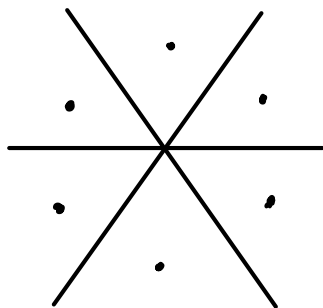
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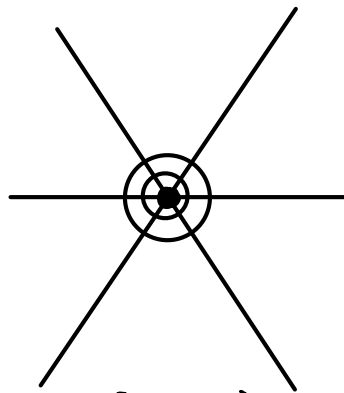
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point locus Z	$R(Z)$
regular G_n -orbit	Coinvariant ring (Kostant)
G_n -orbit w/ stabilizer G_μ	Tanisaki quotient R_μ (Garsia-Procesi)
Ordered set partition locus	Delta-conjecture coinvariant ring (Haglund - Rhoades - Shimozono)
interior lattice points of zonotopes	Rings yielding Donaldson-Thomas invariants (Reineke - Rhoades - Tewari)
λ -tableau	Garsia-Haiman module V_λ (Haiman)

G_n as matrices

$$w = [4, 1, 2, 5, 3] \in G_5$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$$

Theorem (Rhoades)

$$I_n = \text{gr } I(\mathcal{G}_n)$$

Note that $I(\mathcal{G}_n)$ contains

$$x_{ij}^2 - x_{ij}$$

$$x_{ij} \cdot x_{i,j'}$$

$$x_{ij} \cdot x_{i',j}$$

$$x_{i,1} + x_{i,2} + \dots + x_{i,n} - 1$$

$$x_{1,j} + x_{2,j} + \dots + x_{n,j} - 1$$

What other matrix loci can
we consider?

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Matrix form

$$\zeta = e^{2\pi i/3}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \zeta^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \zeta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \zeta^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Colored Permutations

Conjugacy classes of $G_{n,r}$ are labelled by r -partitions of n :

$$\underline{\lambda} = (\lambda^0, \lambda^1, \dots, \lambda^{r-1})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} |\lambda^i| = n$$

Theorem(L.)

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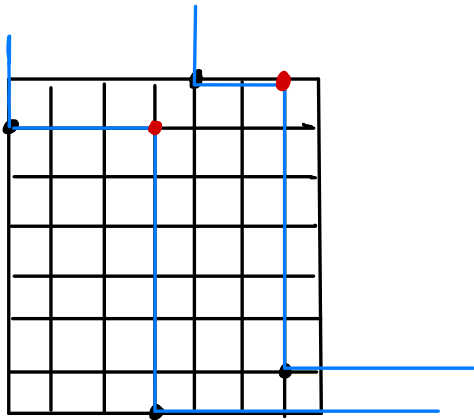
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$$S(w) = \chi_{2,3} \cdot \chi_{6,4} \cdot \chi_{3,6}^2 \cdot \chi_{8,5}^2 \cdot \chi_{4,7}^3 \cdot \chi_{7,8}^3$$

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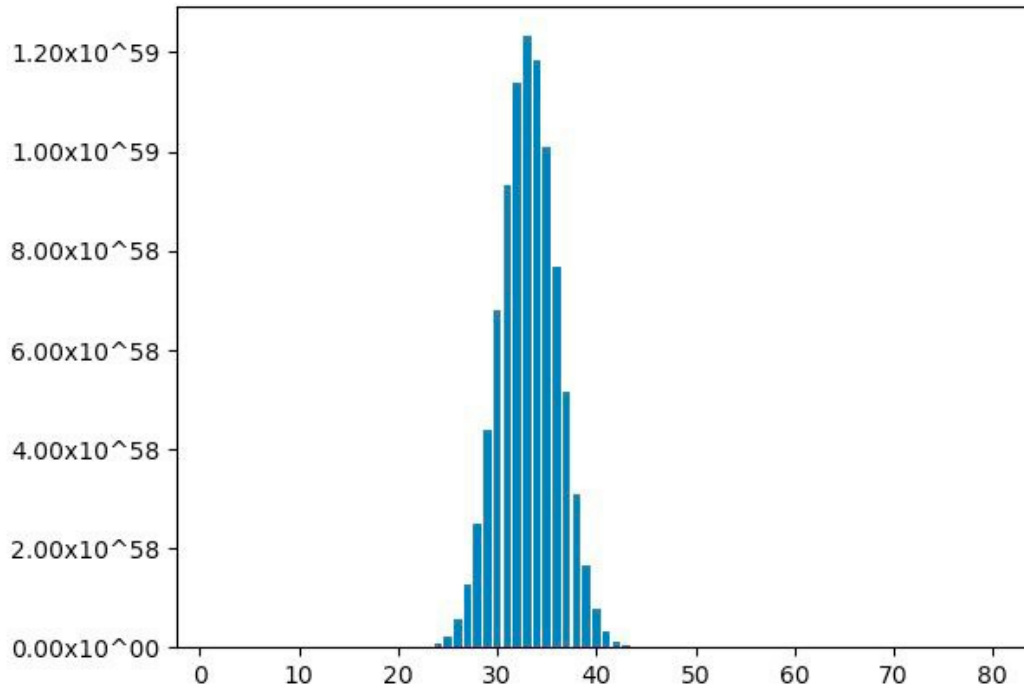
$$\text{Hilb}(R(\mathbb{G}_{n,r}); q) = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{G}_{n,r}} q^{r \cdot n - r \cdot \text{lis}(C_0(w)) - \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} (r-i) \cdot |C_i(w)|}$$

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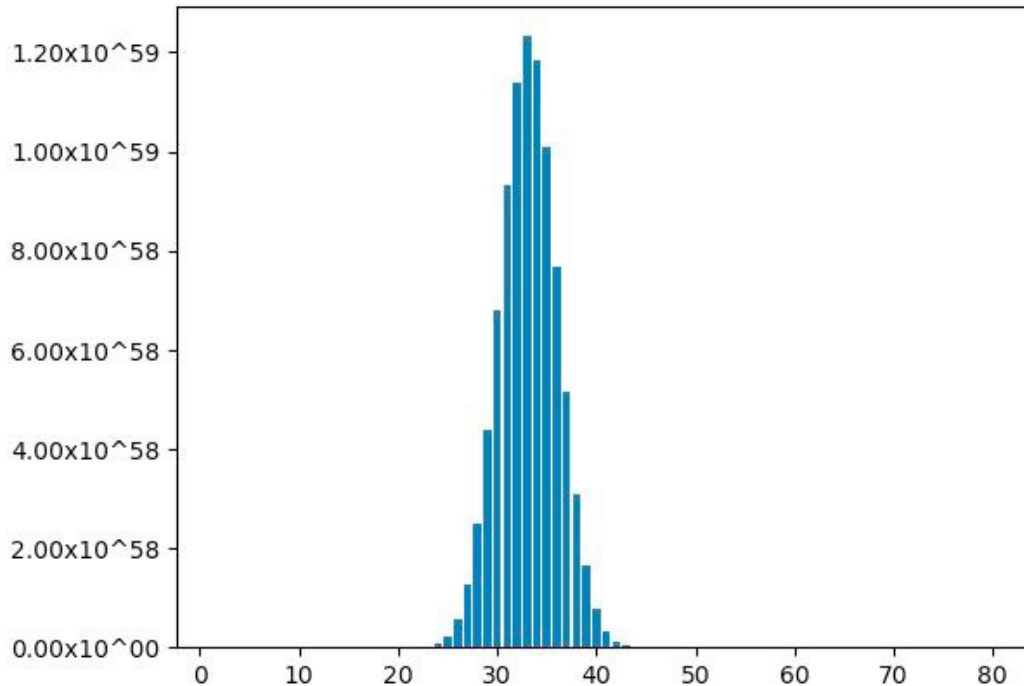
$$= \sum c_{n,r,k} q^{rn-k}$$

Distribution



$\{c_{n,r,k}\}$ when $r=2$ and $n=40$.

Distribution



Q :
distribution
as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

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Graded Structure

$$\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{G}_{n,r}] \cong \mathbb{C}[\lambda_{n \times n}] / I(\mathcal{G}_{n,r}) \cong R(\mathcal{G}_{n,r})$$

as $\mathcal{G}_{n,r} \times \mathcal{G}_{n,r}$ modules

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Theorem (L.)

$$(R(\mathcal{G}_{n,r}))_d \cong \bigoplus_{\Delta \vdash r, n} \text{End}(V^{\Delta})$$

$$r \cdot \lambda_1^0 + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} i \cdot |\lambda^i| = rn - d$$

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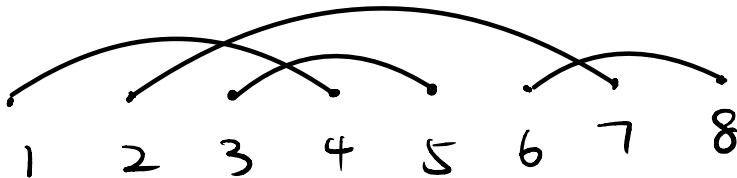


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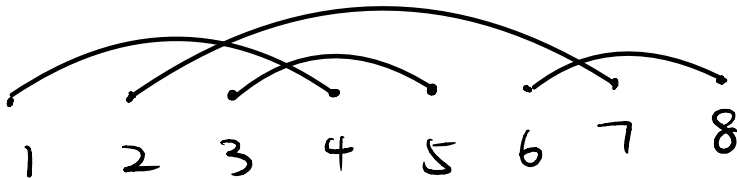
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Symmetric permutation matrices w/ diagonal entries 0.

G_n acts on M_n & PM_n by conjugation.

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$$\text{Frob}(\mathbb{C}[PM_n]) = S_{n/2}[S_2]$$

↑ plethysm

$$= \overline{\sum_{\lambda \vdash n} S_\lambda}$$

all parts even

Theorem (L., Ma, Rhoades, Zhu)

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$$x_{ij} - x_{ji} \quad \begin{bmatrix} & & x \\ & x & \\ x & & \end{bmatrix}$$

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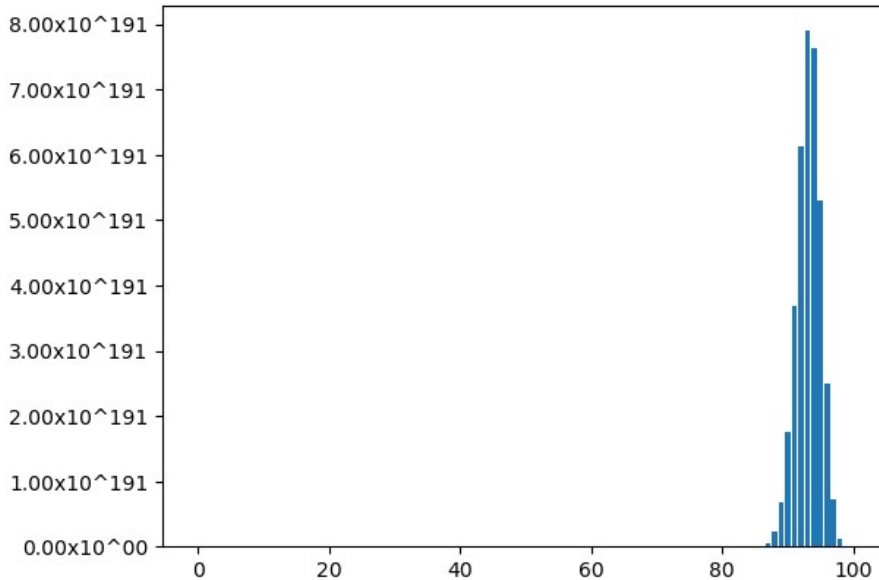
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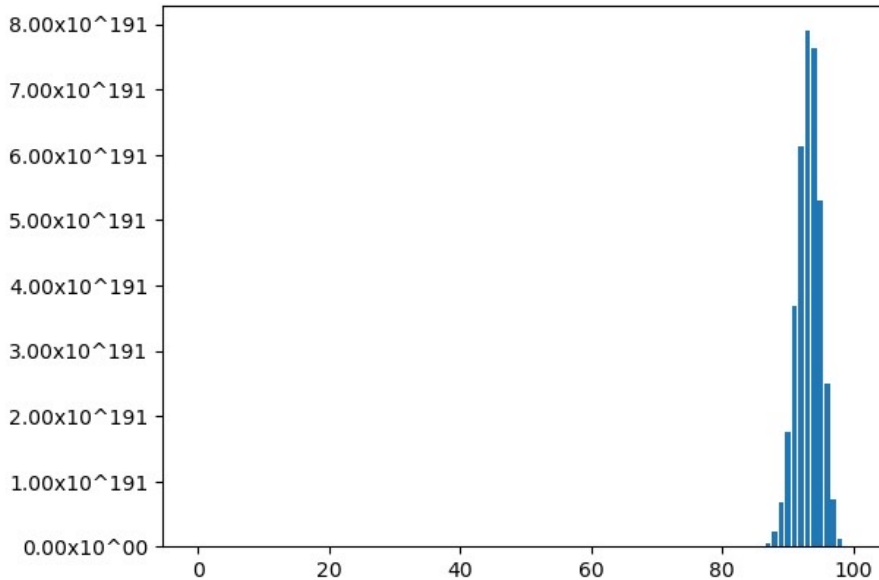
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Coefficients of $\text{Hilb}(R(\mathbb{A}^n); q)$ when $n=200$.

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$\text{Hilb}(R(\mathcal{M}_n); q)$ is log-concave and top-heavy

Graded Structure

Theorem (L., Ma, Rhoades, Zhu)

$$\text{Frob} \left((R(U_n))_d \right) = s_d [s_2] \cdot s_{n-2d}$$

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$$x_{i,j} - x_{j,i}$$

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$$[\text{ } \times \text{ }]$$

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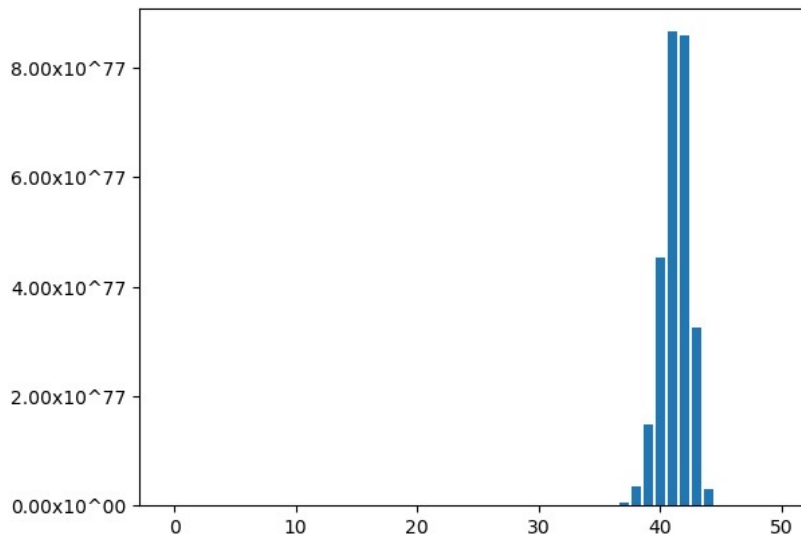
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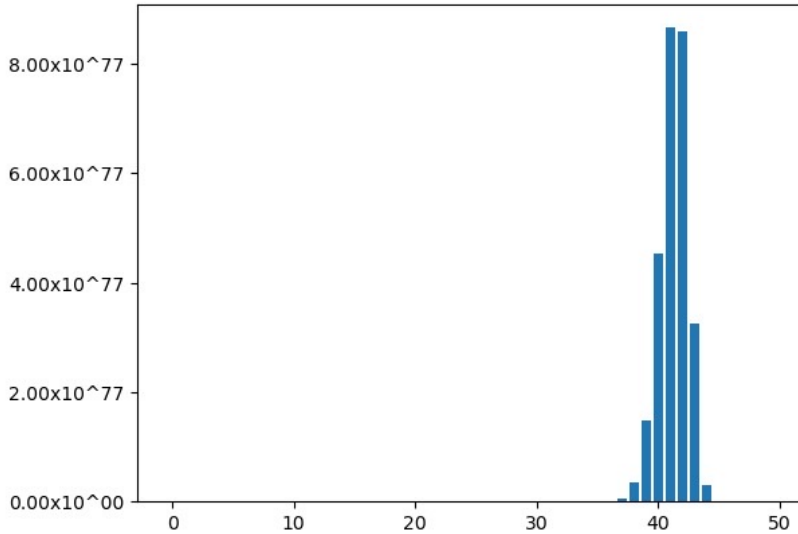
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Distribution



$\text{Hilb}(R(Pu_n); q)$ when $n=100$

Distribution



Baik-Rains as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the coefficients of $\text{HiLb}(R(\text{PLn}); q)$ converges to the Tracy-Widom distribution of random GOE matrices.

Future Directions

Equivariant log-concavity

$V = \bigoplus_d V_d$ graded G -representation.

G -equivariant log-concave:

$$\exists \varphi : V_{d-1} \otimes V_{d+1} \hookrightarrow V_d \otimes V_d$$

that commutes with the action of G .

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Conjecture (L., Ma, Rhoades, Zhu)

$R(\mathbb{M}_n)$ and $R(\mathbb{P}\mathbb{M}_n)$ are $\mathbb{G}_n$ -equivariant log-concave.

Other Matrix Loci

- $G(r, p, n)$ ($G_{n,r} = G(r, 1, n)$)
- Weyl groups H_3 and F_4
- Other cycle types in G_n
(e.g. 1 big cycle, derangements, etc)
- Contingency tables (Oh-Rhoades)

Thanks for Listening!

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