Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity and excited Young diagrams

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The Rothe diagram for $w \in S_n$ is the collection of boxes

$$D(w) = \{(i,j) \in [n] \times [n] : j < w(i), i < w^{-1}(j)\}.$$

Filling boxes in row *i* of D(w) with i, i + 1, ... gives a reduced word for D(w) (reading labels bottom to top, left to right).

Example: $w = 31726845 = s_6 s_7 s_5 s_6 s_3 s_4 s_5 s_6 s_1 s_2$



Question

What are all of the ways to shade entries in this labelled grid to give a reduced word for w (reading labels bottom to top, left to right)?



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Reduced Pipe dreams (Bergeron-Billey '94)

The set of reduced pipe dreams RPD(w) for $w \in S_n$ is the set of diagrams obtainable through successive moves



starting from left justified D(w) in $[n] \times [n]$.



Pipe dreams (Fomin–Kirillov '94)

The set of pipe dreams PD(w) for $w \in S_n$ is the set of diagrams obtainable through successive moves



starting from left justified $D(w) \subseteq [n] \times [n]$.



Here PD(w) corresponds shadings of the labelled grid such that the *Demazure product* of the corresponding entries gives w.

These PD(w) generate Grothendieck polynomials:

Theorem [Fomin–Kirillov '94]

$$\mathfrak{G}_{w}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{n}) = \sum_{P \in PD(w)} (-1)^{(\#+'s)-\ell(w)} x^{wt(P)}$$

Here $x^{wt(P)} = x_1^{\#+'s \text{ in row } 1} \dots x_n^{\#+'s \text{ in row } n}$.

Problem

Give an easily computable formula for $\deg(\mathfrak{G}_w(x_1,\ldots,x_n))$, where $w \in S_n$.

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Initial work of Rajchgot-Ren-R.-St. Dizier-Weigandt '19 proved a formula for Grassmannian permutations.

Theorem [Pechenik-Speyer-Weigandt '21]

For $w \in S_n$,

$$\deg(\mathfrak{G}_w(x_1,\ldots,x_n))=\operatorname{raj}(w)=\sum_{i\in[n]}r_i.$$

Here r_i counts the number of terms in $(w_i, w_{i+1}, \ldots, w_n)$ excluded from the longest increasing subsequence in w starting with w_i .

Example: w = 2341756

We compute $\deg(\mathfrak{G}_w(x_1, \ldots, x_n)) = 2 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 2 + 0 + 0 = 9.$

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Matrix Schubert variety \overline{X}_w has defining ideal

$$I_w = \langle r_w(i,j) + 1 \text{ minors of } \mathbf{z}_{i \times j}(w) \rangle.$$



Consider the coordinate ring S/I. The minimal free resolution

$$0 o igoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S(-j)^{eta_{l,j}} o \cdots o igoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S(-j)^{eta_{0,j}} o S/I o 0.$$

The Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity of S/I

$$\operatorname{reg}(S/I) := \max\{j - i \mid \beta_{i,j} \neq 0\}.$$

Combining results of Fulton '92, Knutson-Miller '05, and Buch '02:

Theorem

$$\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[\overline{X}_w]) = \operatorname{deg}(\mathfrak{G}_w(x_1,\ldots,x_n)) - \ell(w).$$

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Kazhdan-Lusztig varieties of Woo-Yong '06

Kazhdan–Lusztig variety $\mathcal{N}_{v,w}$ has defining ideal

$$I_{v,w} = \langle r_w(i,j) + 1 \text{ minors of } \mathbf{z}_{i \times j}(v) \rangle.$$



Matrix Schubert varieties are examples of KL varieties.

Unspecialized Grothendiecks and pipe dreams

The set of unspecialized pipe dreams PD(v, w) for v, w is the set of pipe dreams for w supported on left justified D(v).



Defined by Woo–Yong, the unspecialized Grothendiecks $\mathfrak{G}_{\nu,w}$ are

$$\mathfrak{G}_{\mathbf{v},\mathbf{w}}(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = \sum_{P \in PD(\mathbf{v},\mathbf{w})} (-1)^{(\#+'s)-\ell(w)} x^{wt(P)}$$



Correspondence with subwords

The set PD(v, w) bijects with subwords of v for w under the Demazure product.



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Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity and excited Young diagrams

321-avoiding permutations are permutations such that there is no i < j < k such that $w_i > w_j > w_k$. For example, w = 1746235 is not 321-avoiding.

To simplify the problem of computing $\deg(\mathfrak{G}_{v,w})$, we restrict to 321-avoiding permutations v, w.

Helpful facts:

- 321-avoiding permutations are totally commutative.
- 321-avoiding permutations naturally correspond with skew-Young diagrams.

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Let $v \ge w \in S_n$ be 321-avoiding. We can associate v with a skew Young diagram \mathcal{R}_v . Mark positions in \mathcal{R}_v with +'s corresponding to the earliest subword of w in v.

A K-skew excited Young diagram of w in v is a diagram obtainable by applying K-excited moves



to the initial diagram for w. Call the set of these SEYD(v, w).



Unspecialized Grothendieck polynomials

Restricting to 321-avoiding permutations:

$$\mathfrak{G}_{\mathbf{v},\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{x}_n) = \sum_{P \in \mathsf{SEYD}(\mathbf{v},\mathbf{w})} (-1)^{\#P - \ell(\mathbf{w})} \mathbf{x}^{wt(P)}$$

This gives

$$deg(\mathfrak{G}_{v,w}) = \max\{\#P \mid P \in \mathsf{SEYD}(v,w)\}$$
$$reg(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}]) = \max\{\#P \mid P \in \mathsf{SEYD}(v,w)\} - \ell(w).$$



Computing CM-regularity of certain KL varieties

Theorem [Rajchgot-R.-Weigandt '23]

For $v_{
ho}, w_{
ho} \in S_n$ Grassmannian with same descent,

$$\mathsf{reg}(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{\mathsf{v}_{\rho},\mathsf{w}_{\nu}}]) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \#\mathsf{antidiag}(\mathsf{T}(\rho,\nu)|_{\geq i}).$$

Example: $v_{(5,4,2,1,0)}, w_{(6,6,4,4,4)} \mapsto T((5,4,2,1,0), (6,6,4,4,4))$



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Application: one-sided mixed ladder determinantal ideals

A ladder *L* is a Young diagram filled with indeterminates z_{ij} . The ideal $I_L \subseteq \mathbb{C}[L]$ is generated by NW minors of *L* determined by marked points on its boundary. This defines the one-sided mixed ladder determinantal variety $\mathbb{C}[L]/I_L$.

For example, we can take L:



These are Grassmannian KL-varieties

$$\mathbb{C}[L]/I_L \cong \mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v_{\rho},w_{\nu}}].$$



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To each one-sided ladder, we can associate families of non-intersecting NE-oriented lattice paths.

The marked points on horizontal edges determine starting points of the paths and the marked points on vertical edges determine ending points of the paths.



Lattice paths in the region L naturally biject with SEYD's by drawing +'s in each cell not occupied by a path.



In this setting, maximizing K-excited moves translates to maximizing elbows \square in the region *L*.

CM-regularity and lattice paths

Reframing Conca '95, we compute the regularities of these determinantal ideals I_L using lattice paths:

Theorem [Conca '95, Krattenhaler–Ghorpade '15]

For I_L cogenerated by NW-minors of an $n \times m$ matrix

$$\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[L]/I_L) = \max_{P \in NILP(L)} \#\{\operatorname{elbows} \, \biguplus \, n \, P\}$$



CM-regularity and lattice paths

Using this lattice path formula, we can re-derive the formula for the classical case, i.e., for I_L generated by the (k + 1)-minors of an $n \times m$ rectangle L:

$$\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[L]/I_L) = nm - (n-k)(m-k) - k \cdot \max(n,m).$$



CM-regularity of one-sided ladders and lattice paths

Following work of Krattenhaler–Prohaska '99 and Ghorpade '02:



Example: $P \in NILP(L)$ with maximal number of elbows



gives $\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[L]/I_L) = 4 = \operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v_{\rho}, w_{\nu}}]).$

Two-sided mixed ladder determinantal ideals

A two-sided ladder \widetilde{L} is a skew-Young diagram filled with z_{ij} 's. $I_{\widetilde{L}}$ is the ideal generated by the NW r_i minors of \widetilde{L} . This defines the two-sided mixed ladder determinantal variety $\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{L}]/I_{\widetilde{L}}$.



Theorem [Escobar-Fink-Rajchgot-Woo ('24+)]

For particular $v, w \in S_n$ 321-avoiding

$$\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{L}]/I_{\widetilde{L}} \cong \mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}].$$

We give an algorithm to construct a maximal $P \in SEYD(v, w)$ for $v, w \in S_n$ 321-avoiding.

Algorithm example computing $reg(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}])$

Example: Constructing a maximal skew-excited Young diagram given by certain 321-avoiding $v, w \in S_{15}$.











gives $\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}]) = 9.$

CM-regularity of two-sided ladders and lattice paths

Generalizing work of Krattenhaler–Ghorpade '15 combined with Woo–Yong '12, we can compute $reg(\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{L}]/I_{\widetilde{I}})$ using lattice paths:

Theorem [Krattenhaler–Ghorpade '15, R. '23] For a two-sided ladder \widetilde{L} $\operatorname{reg}(\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{L}]/I_{\widetilde{L}}) = \max_{P \in NILP(\widetilde{L})} \#\{\text{unforced elbows} \square \text{ in } P\}.$

Example: $P \in NILP(\widetilde{L})$ with maximal number of elbows



- We can express $reg(\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}])$ in terms of excited Young diagrams and $\ell(w)$.
- For *v*, *w* Grassmannian, we obtain a tableaux-based formula to compute reg($\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}]$).
- For *v*, *w* 321-avoiding, we obtain an algorithm to compute reg($\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{N}_{v,w}]$).
- We connect our formulas to the combinatorics of lattice paths to compute regularities for ladder determinantal ideals.

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Let $R(\lambda) = R_1 \cup \ldots \cup R_r$ partition the columns of λ according to length and set $\lambda^{(k)} = \bigcup_{j=1}^k R_j$. Then if $(i, \lambda_i) \in R_{h_i}$,

$$\mu_i = \lambda_i + \mathsf{sv}(\lambda^{(h_i-1)}).$$



Regularity Formula for w_{λ} Grassmannian

Theorem [Rajchgot-Ren-R-St.Dizier-Weigandt (2019)]

Suppose $w_{\lambda} \in S_n$ has descent k. Then

$$\operatorname{reg}(S/I_{w_\lambda}) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq k} \operatorname{sv}(\lambda^{(h_i-1)})$$



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Then following special cases were known:

- classical determinantal ideals (Gräbe '88)
 - For (k + 1)-minors of an $n \times m$ matrix, the regularity is $nm (n k)(m k) k \cdot \max(n, m)$
- Ideals cogenerated by NW-minors of an $n \times m$ matrix (Conca '95)
 - given by RSK
 - extended/reframed by Krattenhaler–Ghorpade '15 in terms of lattice paths.
 - In fact, K(X(L);t) is determinantal in terms of these lattice paths, as established by Abhyankar–Kulkarni '89 and Herzog–Trung '92.

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A permutation $w \in S_n$ is Grassmannian if it has a unique descent k, i.e. if $i \neq k$, then $w_i < w_{i+1}$. To each Grassmannian permutation $w \in S_n$, we can uniquely associate a partition λ with k parts.

