

Free-fermionic  
Schur functions

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# Outline

① Schur functions  $S_\lambda(x)$  and  
supersymmetric Schur functions  $S_\lambda(x/y)$

② Factorial (double) (supersymmetric)

Schur functions  $S_\lambda(x||a)$   
and  $S_\lambda(x/y||a)$  and double  
Schur functions  $\hat{S}_\lambda(x||b)$

③ Free-fermionic Schur functions

$S_\lambda(x||a/b)$  and  $S_\lambda(x/y||a/b)$ .

# Takeaway

Lattice models are powerful:

- \* Combinatorial (tableaux, Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns, Lusztig data etc.)
- \* Lattice paths (LGV lemma)
- \* Functional (YB equation, algebraic Bethe Ansatz)

# I. Classical Schur and supersymmetric Schur functions

Schur functions:  $S_\lambda(x)$

supersymmetric Schur:  $S_\lambda(x/y)$ .

## 1. Tableaux.

Semistandard Young tableaux for Schur functions  $S_\lambda(x)$ :

Example shape ,  $n=2$

1	1	1
2		

1	1	2
2		

1	2	2
2		

$$x_1^3 x_2$$

$$x_1^2 x_2^2$$

$$x_1 x_2^3$$

$$S_{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \end{array}}(x_1, x_2) =$$

$$= x_1^3 x_2 + x_1^2 x_2^2 + x_1 x_2^3.$$


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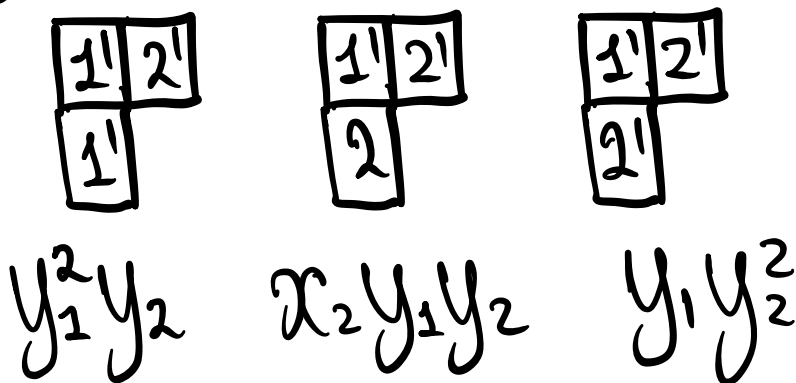
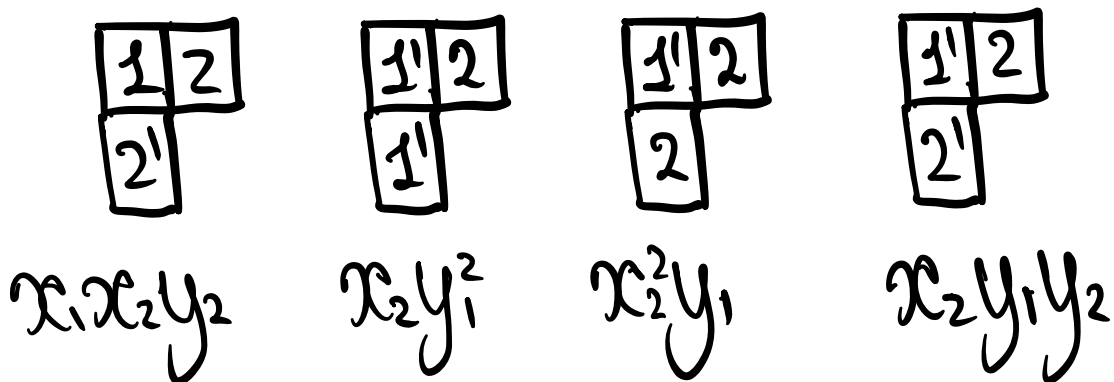
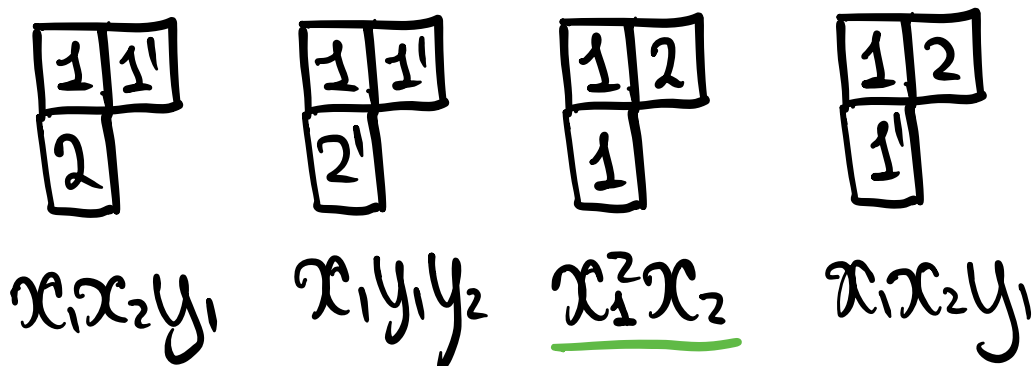
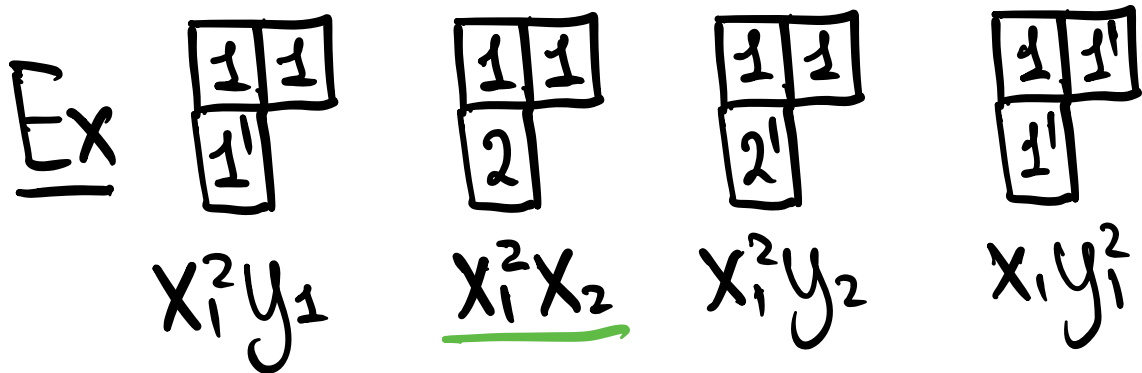
Super (or primed) tableaux  
for supersymmetric Schurs:

Fill with  $1 < 1' < 2 < 2' < \dots < n < n'$

- rows and columns are weakly increasing

- no repeated symbol  $i$  in columns

- no repeated symbol  $i'$  in rows.



## 2. Relations / Propertes

- $S_\lambda(x/y)|_{y=0} = S_\lambda(x)$

- $S_\lambda(x/y) = S_{\lambda'}(y/x)$

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- $S_{\lambda/\mu}(x/y) =$

$$= \sum_{\nu} S_{\nu/\mu}(x) S_{\lambda'/\nu'}(y).$$

•  $S_\lambda(x/y) \Big|_{\substack{x_i=t \\ y_i=-t}}$  does not depend on  $t$ .

•  $S_\lambda(x/y) \Big|_{x_n=0} = S_\lambda(x'/y)$

•  $S_\lambda(x/y) \Big|_{y_n=0} = S_\lambda(x/y')$

Factorization  $\lambda = (n^n + \tau) \cup \eta$ :

•  $S_\lambda(x/y) = S_\tau(x) S_\eta(y) \prod_{i,j} (x_i + y_j)$

### 3. Jacobi-Trudi identity

If  $h_r(x/y) = S_{(r)}(x/y)$

$h_r(x) = S_{(r)}(x)$ , then

- $S_{\lambda}(x/y) =$   
 $= \det(h_{\lambda_i + i - j}(x/y))$

- $S_{\lambda}(x) =$   
 $= \det(h_{\lambda_i + i - j}(x))$

The dual identity,  
Giambelli identity,  
Ribbon formula:

- $S_\lambda(x/y) = \det(S_\#(x/y))$

- $S_\lambda(x) = \det(S_\#(x))$

## 4. Explicit formulas

- Weyl formula for  $S_\lambda(x)$ :

$$A_\lambda = \det(x_i^{\lambda_j}),$$

$\delta = (n-1, n-2, \dots, 0)$ . Then

$$S_\lambda(x) = \frac{A_{\lambda+\delta}}{A_\delta} = \frac{A_{\lambda+\delta}}{\prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)} =$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \delta(x^\sigma \cdot x^\lambda)}{\Delta(x)}.$$

• Senguer-Pragacz formula

$$S_\lambda(x/y) =$$

$$\sum_{\delta \in S_n^x \times S_n^y} \text{sgn}(\delta) \cdot \delta \left( x^\delta \cdot y^\delta \prod_{(i,j) \in \lambda} (x_i + y_j) \right)$$

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$$\Delta(x) \Delta(y)$$

## 5. Cauchy identities

Schur + Schur:

$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x) S_{\lambda}(z) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{1 - x_i z_j}$$

Schur + Schur':

$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x) S_{\lambda'}(z) = \prod_{i,j} (1 + x_i z_j)$$

Super + Schur:

$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y) S_{\lambda}(z) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1 + y_i z_j}{1 - x_i z_j}$$

Super + super:

$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y) S_{\lambda}(z/w) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1 + x_i w_j}{1 - x_i z_j} \frac{1 + y_i z_j}{1 - y_i w_j}.$$

## II. Factorial Schur and factorial supersymmetric Schur functions.

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad a = (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$$

$$y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

factorial Schur:  $S_\lambda(x \parallel a)$

factorial super Schur:  $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a)$ .

1. Tableaux

Semistandard tableaux  
for factorial Schur  $f$ -ns:

Fill shape  $\lambda$  with

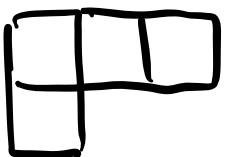
$$1 < 2 < \dots < n \quad \text{s.t.}$$

- weakly increasing in rows
- strictly increasing in columns

$$\text{content}(\alpha) = j - i.$$

collect  $(X_{T(\alpha)} - c(\alpha))$  for each

box  $\alpha$  with entry  $T(\alpha)$ .

Ex Shape ,  $n=2$ .

1	1	1
2		

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_1 - a_{-1})(x_1 - a_{-2})$$

$$(x_2 - a_1)$$

1	1	2
2		

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_1 - a_{-1})(x_2 - a_{-2})$$

$$(x_2 - a_1)$$

1	2	2
2		

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_2 - a_{-1})(x_2 - a_{-2})$$

$$(x_2 - a_1)$$

Ex

1	1
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 $(x_1 - a_0)(x_1 - a_{-1})$

1	2
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 $(x_1 - a_0)(x_2 - a_{-1})$

2	2
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 $(x_2 - a_0)(x_2 - a_{-1})$

Supertableaux for  $S_n(x/y \parallel a)$ ,

$$1 < 1' < 2 < 2' < \dots < n < n'$$

as before, collect

$(x_{\pi(i)} - a_{c(i)})$  for unprimed entries

$(y_{\pi(i')} + a_{c(i)})$  for primed entries,

Ex

1	1
1'	

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_1 - a_{-1})$$
$$(y_1 - a_1)$$

1	1
2	

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_2 - a_{-1})$$
$$(y_2 - a_1)$$

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

$$(x_1 - a_0)(x_1 - a_{-1}) \\ (y_2 - a_1)$$

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

$$(x_1 - a_0)(y_1 - a_{-1}) \\ (y_2 - a_1)$$

... And so on.

## 2. Relations / Properties

- $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel 0) = S_\lambda(x/y)$
- $S_\lambda(x \parallel 0) = S_\lambda(x)$ .

- $S_\lambda(x/y||a)|_{y=-a} = S_\lambda(x||a)$

- $S_\lambda(x/y||a) = S_{\lambda'}(y/x||a')$ ,

where  $a'_i = -a_{-i+1}$ .

- $S_\lambda(x/y||a)|_{x=-a'} = S_{\lambda'}(y||a)$

- $S_{\lambda/\mu}(x/y||a)$

Z

$$= \sum_{\vec{\nu}} \tilde{S}_{\nu/\mu}(x||a) \tilde{S}_{\lambda'/\nu'}(y||a')$$

•  $S_{\lambda}(x/y||a) \Big|_{\substack{x_1=t \\ y_1=-t}}$  does not depend on  $t$

•  $S_{\lambda}(x/y||a) \Big|_{x_n=-a'_n} = S_{\lambda}(x'/y||a)$

•  $S_{\lambda}(x/y||a) \Big|_{y_n=-a_n} = S_{\lambda}(x/y' || a)$

Factorization  $\lambda = (n^2 + \tau) \cup \eta$ :

$$S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a) = S_\tau(x \parallel (a_{i+n})) S_\eta(y) \prod_{i,j} (x_i + y_j)$$

### 3. Jacobi-Tredni identity

$$\text{If } h_r(x/y \parallel a) = S_{(r)}(x/y \parallel a)$$

$$h_r(x \parallel a) = S_{(r)}(x \parallel a), \text{ then}$$

$$\text{let } \tau^s(a_i) = a_{i-s}.$$

- $S_\lambda(x/y|a) =$   
 $= \det(h_{\lambda_i + i + j}(x/y|t^{-j+1}a)).$

- $S_\lambda(x|a) =$   
 $= \det(h_{\lambda_i + i - j}(x|t^{-j+1}a))$

The dual identity,

Giambelli identity,

Ribbon formula are similar.

## 4. Explicit formulas

- Weyl formula for  $S_\lambda(x)$ :

Let  $(x|a)^0 = 1$ , and

$$(x|a)^r = (x - a_n) \dots (x - a_{n-r+1})$$

$$A_\alpha = \det((x_i|a)^{\alpha_j})$$

$\delta = (n-1, n-2, \dots, 0)$ . Then

$$S_\lambda(x) = \frac{A_{\lambda+\delta}}{A_\delta} = \frac{A_{\lambda+\delta}}{\prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)} =$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{\beta \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\beta) \delta(f_\lambda(x||a))}{\Delta(x)}$$

• Sergeev-Pragacz formula

$$S_\lambda(x/y||a) =$$

$$\frac{\sum_{\beta \in S_n^x \times S_n^y} \text{sgn}(\beta) \cdot \delta(f_\lambda(x/y||a))}{\Delta(x) \Delta(y)}$$

## 5. Cauchy identities.

A problem! We need dual

Schur functions  $\hat{S}_\lambda(x \parallel a)$ .

could be defined by

- Determinant (Weyl formula)

$$\frac{\det \left( \begin{array}{c} x_i^{\lambda_j + j - 1} (1 - a_{n - \lambda_j - j}) \dots (1 - a_{1 - \lambda_j - j}) \\ (1 - x_i a_0)(1 - x_i a_{-1}) \dots (1 - x_i a_{-r+1}) \end{array} \right)}{\Delta(x)}$$

- tableaux with rational weights.

Then we have Cauchy identity:

Scher + dual:

$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x \parallel a) \hat{S}_{\lambda}(z \parallel a) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1 - a_i y_j}{1 - x_i y_j}$$

Super + dual:

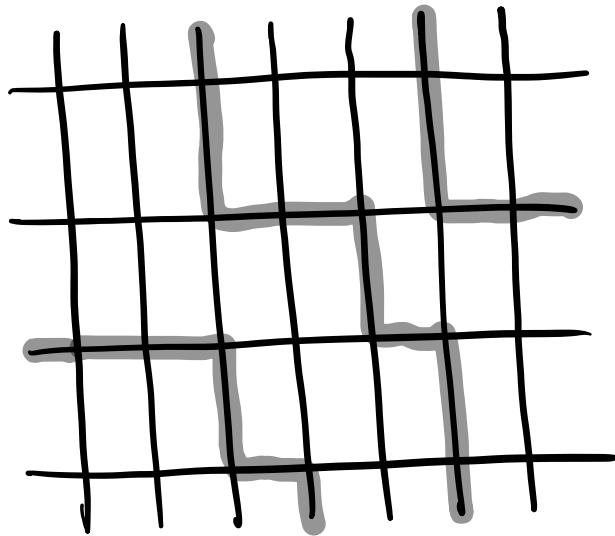
$$\bullet \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y \parallel a) \hat{S}_{\lambda}(z \parallel a) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1 + y_i z_j}{1 - x_i z_j}$$

But what are these  
dual Schur functions?

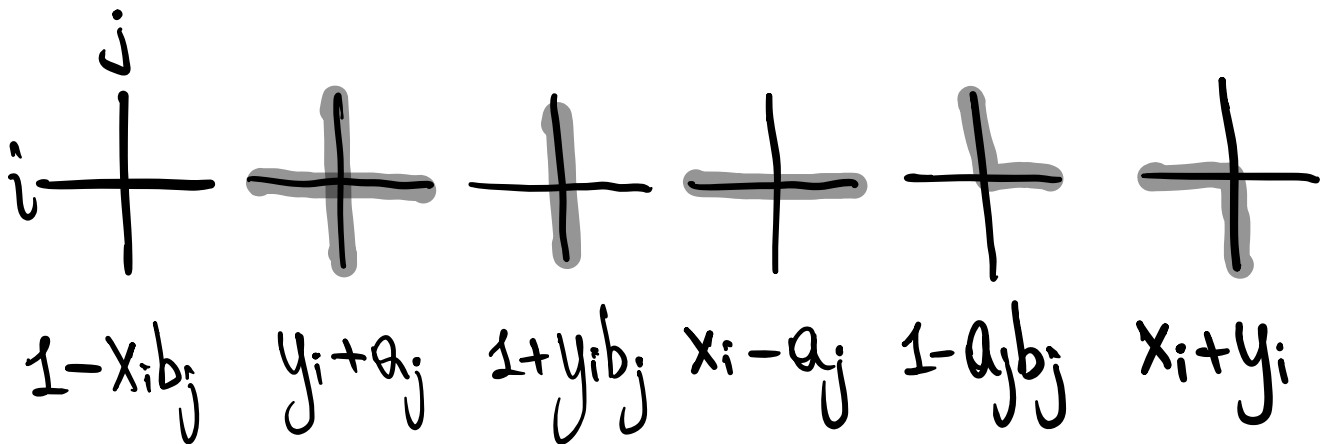
### III. Free-fermionic

### Schur functions

Recall the six-vertex model:



Let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $a = (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$   
 $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ ,  $b = (b_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ .

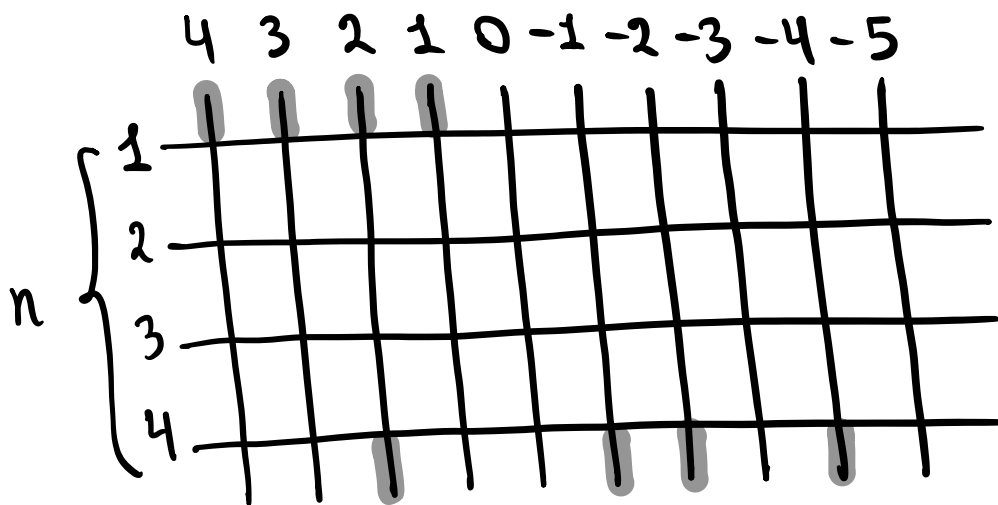


These weights are free-fermionic:

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 = c_1 c_2,$$

and integrable (Yang-Baxter equations  
the rows and columns).

For  $d = (d_1, \dots, d_k)$ , consider  $G_d^n$ :



Let  $\mathcal{J} = (n, n-1, \dots, 1)$ . Then for a partition  $\lambda$ ,  
 define free-fermionic Schur functions:

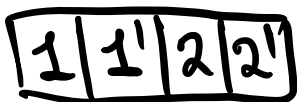
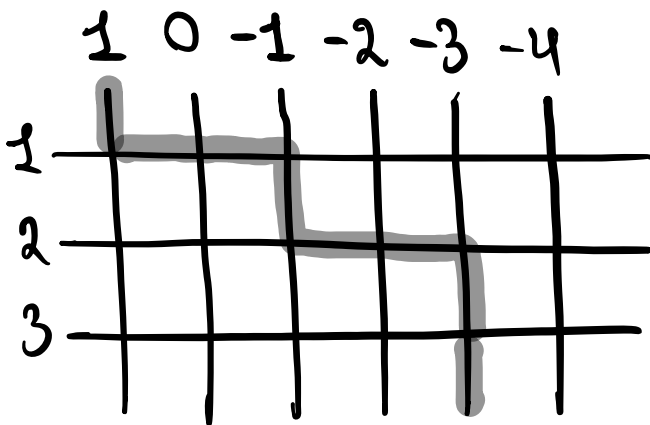
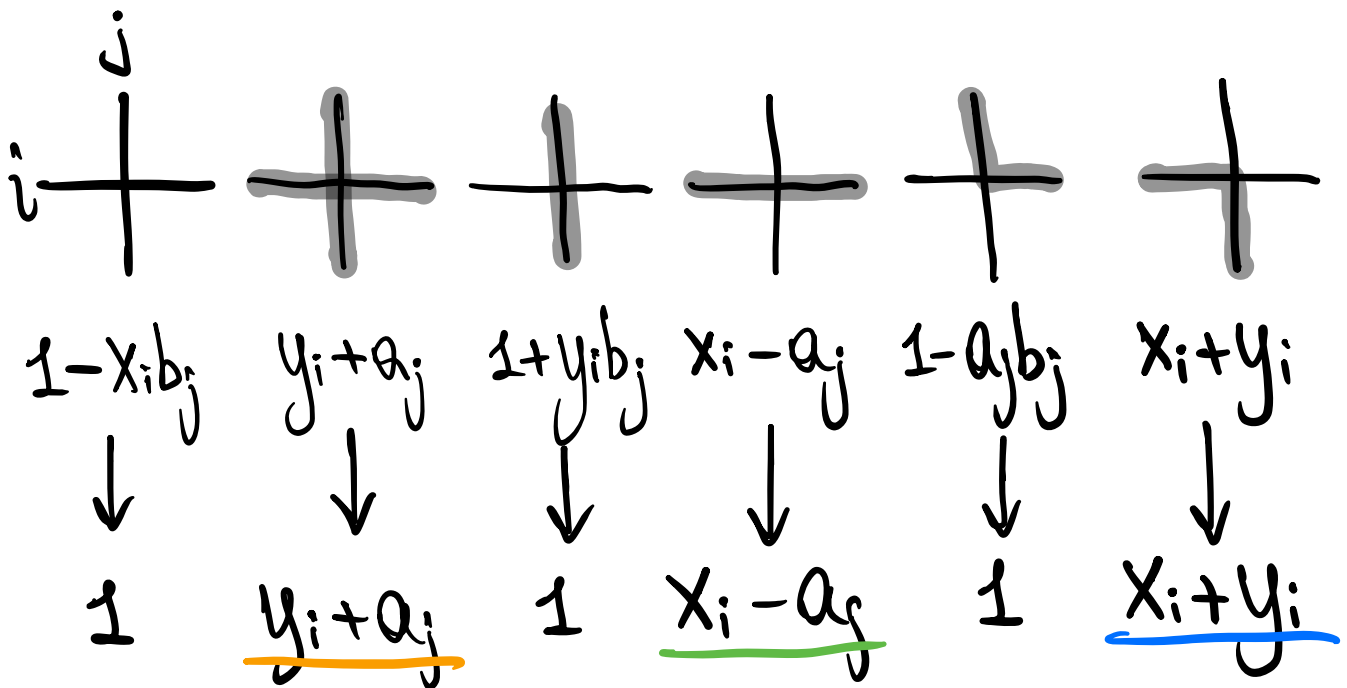
$$S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/b) = \frac{G_{\lambda+\delta}^n}{G_\delta^n}$$

Theorem (N.) [Specializations]

- $S_\lambda(x/0 \parallel 0/0) = S_\lambda(x)$  classical Schur
- $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel 0/0) = S_\lambda(x/y)$  supersymmetric
- $S_\lambda(x/(-a) \parallel a/0) = S_\lambda(x \parallel a)$  factorial
- $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/0) = S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a)$  factorial supersymmetric
- $S_\lambda(x/0 \parallel 0/b) = \hat{S}_\lambda(x \parallel b)$  dual Schur

# Proof of special case (sketch)

Let  $b=0$ . Then



Note that  $x_i + y_i$  =  
 $(x_i - a_j)$  +  $(y_i + a_j)$ .

↳ Bijection<sup>o</sup> with supertableaux.

1. Hence, we have a tableaux description of  $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/b)$ .

2. Relations / Properties

Let  $S_\lambda(x \parallel a/b)$  =  $S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/b) |_{y=-a}$ .

Proposition [Factorization]

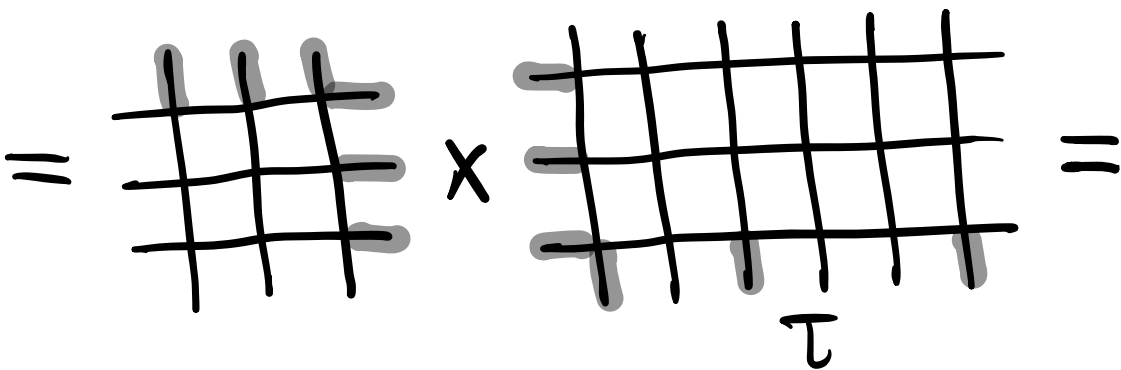
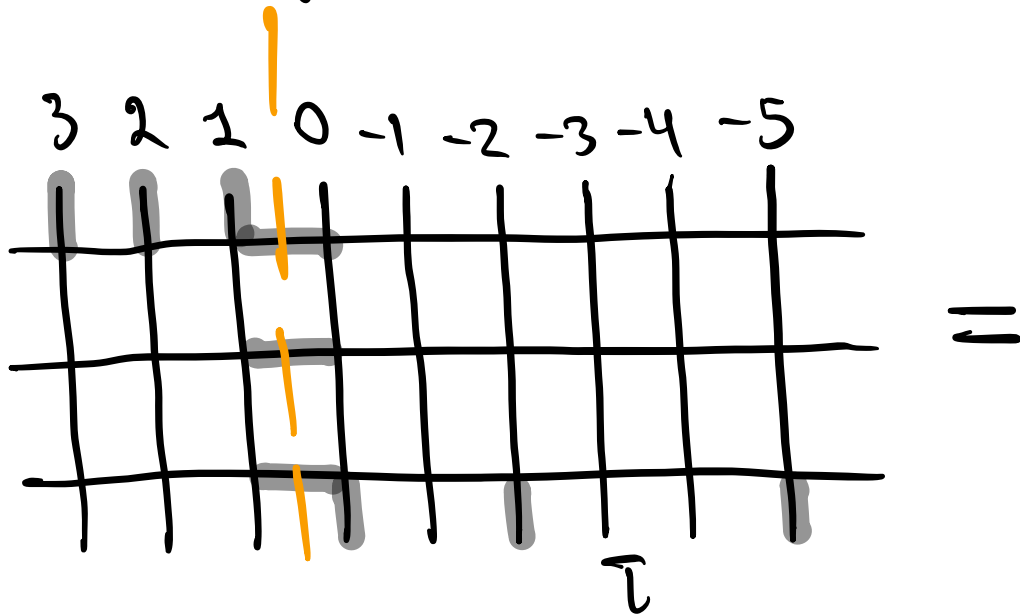
Let  $\lambda = (n^n + \tau) \cup \eta$ . Then

$$S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/b) =$$

$$= S_\tau(x \parallel a_{i+n}/b_{i+n}) S_\eta(y \parallel a'/b') \prod_{\bar{i}j} (x_i + y_j)$$

Proof (sketch) (case  $\eta=0$ ).  $n=3$ ,  $\lambda=(6,4,3)$

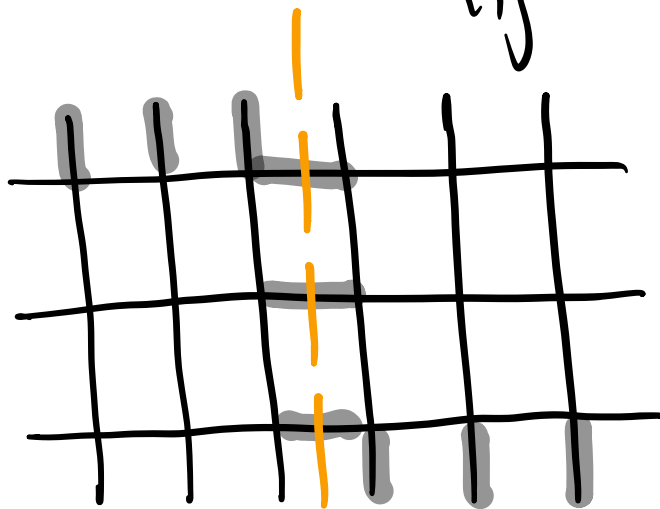
$$\lambda = (3,3,3) + (3,1,0)$$



$$= \prod_{i,j} (x_i + y_j) \cdot S_{\tau}(x \parallel a/b).$$

Special case:

$$S_{(n^n)}(x/y \parallel a/b) = \prod_{i,j} (x_i + y_j)$$



### 3. Jacobi-Trudi identity

$$\text{Let } h_r(x/y \parallel a/b) = S_{(r)}(x/y \parallel a/b).$$

$$e_r(x/y \parallel a/b) = S_{(\pm r)}(x/y \parallel a/b).$$

Thm. (N.) [Determinant expressions]

$$S_\lambda(x/y \parallel a/b) =$$

$$= \det(h_{\lambda_i + i - j}(x/y \parallel \tau^{-j+1} a / \tau^{j+1} b))$$

$$= \det(e_{\lambda_i - i + j}(x/y \parallel \tau^j a / \tau^{j-1} b))$$

$$= \det(S[\alpha_i, \beta_j](x/y \parallel a/b))$$

$$= \det(S[\alpha_i, \beta_j](x/y \parallel a/b)).$$

#### 4. Cauchy identity.

Recall that

$$\hat{S}_\lambda(z/a) = S_\lambda(z/o/a).$$

Then we had

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\lambda} S_\lambda(x/y/a/o) S_\lambda(z/o/a) &= \\ &= \prod_{i,j} \frac{1 + y_i z_j}{1 - x_i z_j} \end{aligned}$$

Thm (M.) [Cauchy identities]

Full + degeneration:

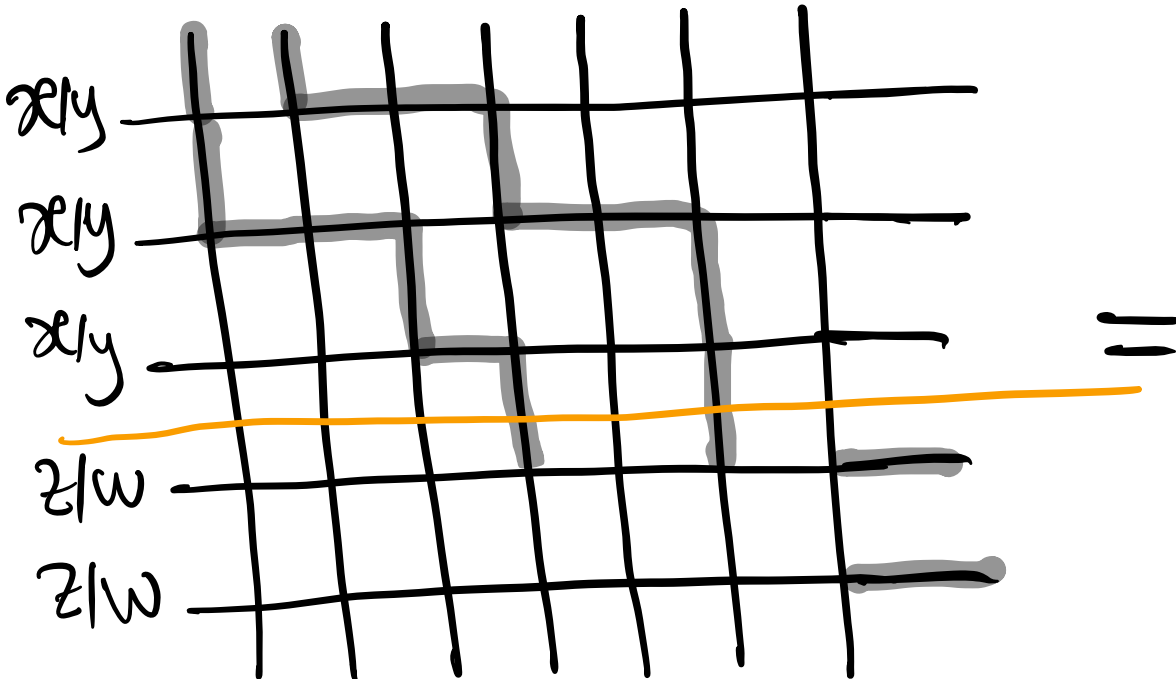
$$\sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y \parallel a/b) S_{\lambda}(z/(-b) \parallel b/a) =$$
$$= \prod_{i,j} \frac{1+z_i y_j}{1-z_i x_j} \frac{1-b_i x_j}{1+b_i y_j}$$

Full + Full:

Z

$$\sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y \parallel a/b) S_{\lambda}(z/w \parallel b/a) =$$
$$= \prod \frac{1+z_i y_j}{1-z_i x_j} \frac{1+w_i x_j}{1-w_i y_j}.$$

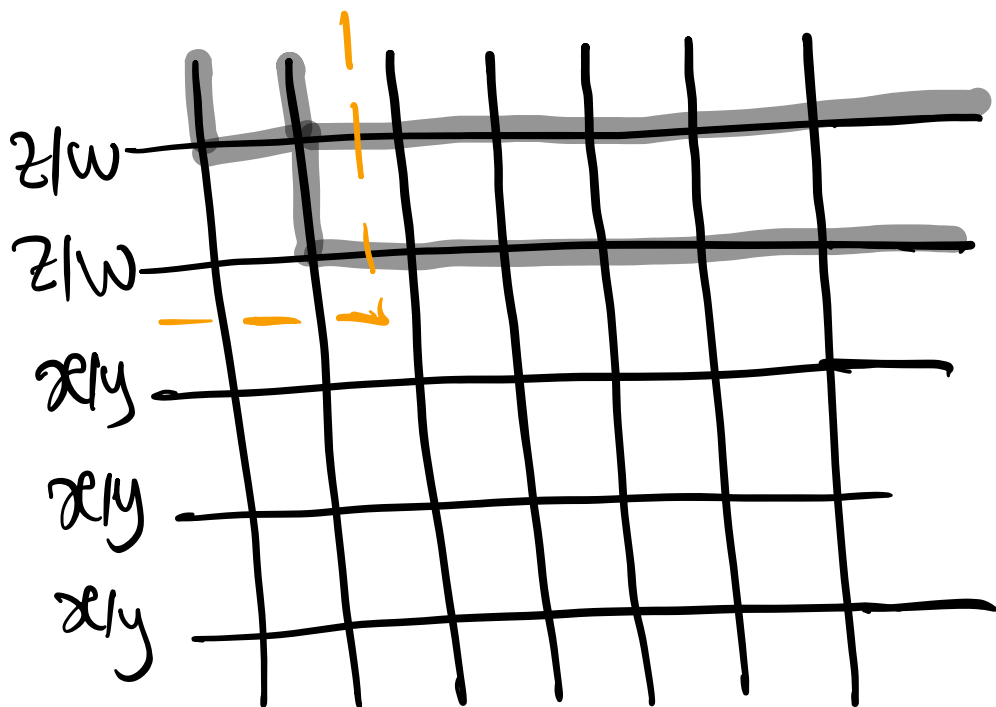
# Proof (sketch)



$$= \sum_{\lambda} S_{\lambda}(x/y \parallel a/b) f_{\lambda}(z/w \parallel a/b)$$

$$|\lambda| \leq M$$

On the other hand, we use the Yang-Baxter equation:



And compute explicitly the DWBC.

## 5. Explicit expressions.

Thm (N.) [Weyl formula]

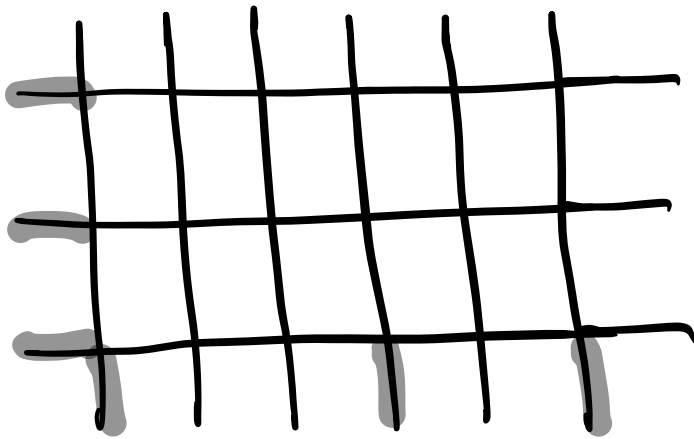
Let  $(x|a/b)^\circ = 1$ , and

$$(x|a/b)^r = \frac{(x-a_0)\dots(x-a_{-r+1})}{(y-b_0)\dots(y-b_{-r+1})}$$

$$\text{Let } A_\alpha = \det \left( (x_i|a/b)^{\alpha_j} \right)$$

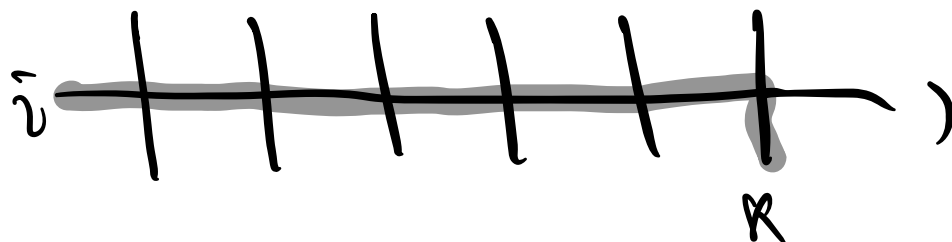
$$\text{Then } S_\lambda(x||a/b) = \frac{A_{\lambda+\delta}}{A_\delta}$$

Proof



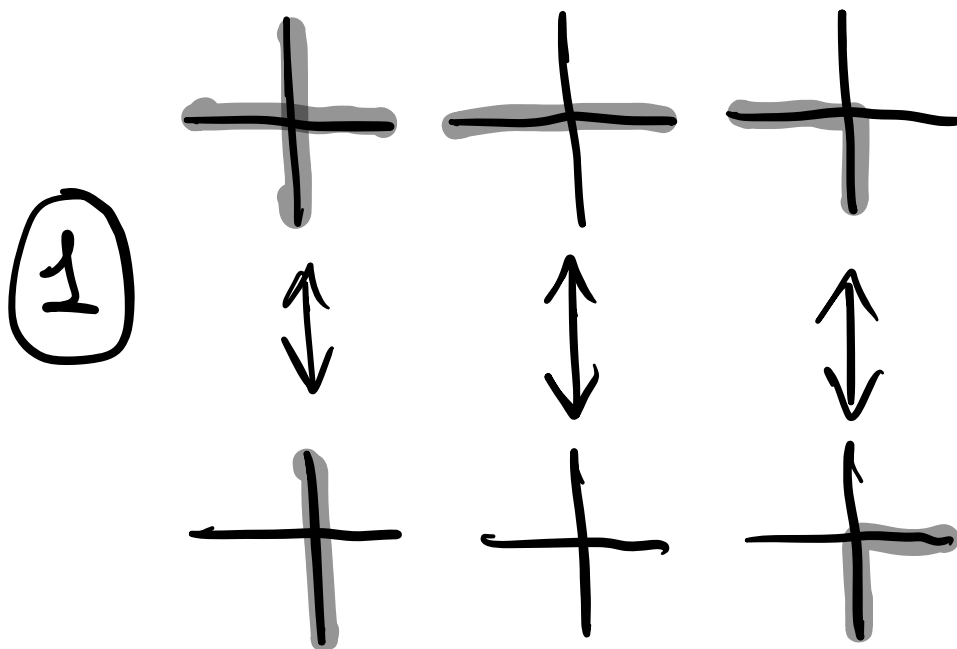
We use the YB equation to express the partition

function in terms of 1-row:

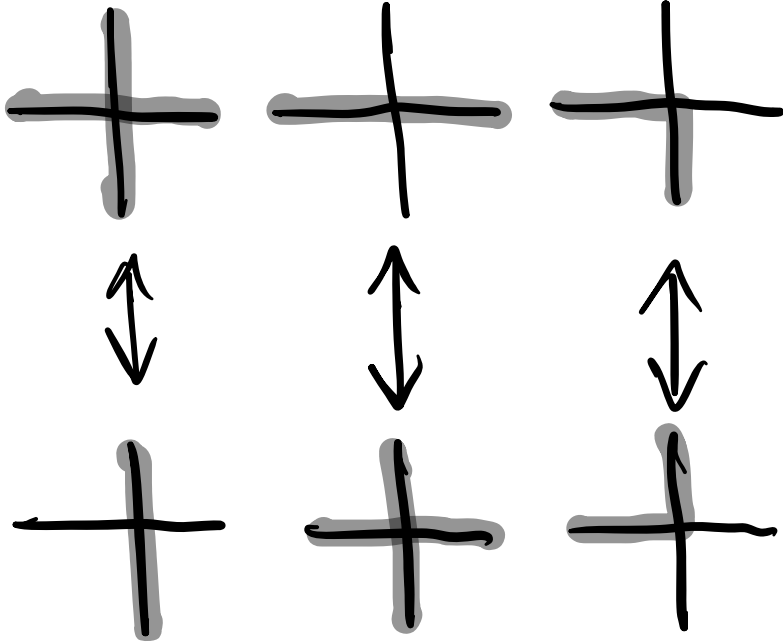


Which equals to  $(x_i | a/b)^R$ .

Bonus: Lattice Involutions



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Thank you!

P.S. The symmetric function catalog by  
Per Alexandersson was  
very useful!