Session 1

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Combinatorics of quadratic spaces over finite fields

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	Field with one element	\mathbb{F}_{q} (q-analogues)	
object	$[n] = \{1, 2, \cdots, n\}$	\mathbb{F}_{a}^{n}	
subobject	a k set in [n]	a k-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{F}_q^n	
bracket	n	the number of lines in \mathbb{F}_q^n	
factorial	n!	[<i>n</i>] _{<i>q</i>} !	
poset	B _n	$L_n(q)$	
group	$ S_n = n!$	$ GL(n,q) = q^{n(n-1)/2}(q-1)^n [n]_q!$	
flag	flags in [n]	flags in \mathbb{F}_q^n	
binomial coefficient	$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \left \frac{S_n}{S_k \times S_{n-k}} \right $	$\binom{n}{k}_{q} = \frac{[n]_{q}!}{[k]_{q}![(n-k)]_{q}!} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{GL(n,q)}{(A \ C)} \end{vmatrix}$	
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• We define **dot-analogues** as follows: $[k]_d := |\text{dot}_1\text{-subspaces in } \text{dot}_k|; [n]_d! := [n]_d \cdots [1]_d;$ $\binom{n}{k}_d = \frac{[n]_d!}{[k]_d![(n-k)]_d!}.$

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Main Goal: Study related combinatorics of $\binom{n}{k}_d$ and its applications.

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Questions.

- Combinatorial descriptions of $\binom{n}{k}_d$?
- Analogues of binomial theorem?

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MIXED HODGE STRUCTURE ON LOCAL COHOMOLOGY WITH SUPPORT IN

DETERMINANTAL VARIETIES

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SETTING:

• X = Smooth complex variety• $Z \subseteq X$ closed subvariety • $\mathcal{H}_{Z}^{j}(\mathcal{O}_{X}) = \frac{\text{local cohomology}}{\text{with support in Z}}$

EXAMPLE: Z = hypersurface

 $\mathcal{H}_{Z}^{\prime}(\mathcal{O}_{X}) = \underbrace{\bigcup_{k \ge 0} \mathcal{O}_{X}(kZ)}{\mathcal{O}_{X}}$

GOAL: Understand how $\mathcal{H}_{Z}^{J}(\mathcal{O}_{X})$ detects/measures singularities of Z.

SPECIAL CASE: Z = hypersurface

 $F_{K}H_{Z}'(\mathcal{O}_{X}) \iff \frac{Hodge \ ideals}{I_{K}(Z) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{X}} (Mustață - Popa)$

 $THM(P.-Raicu'20): Z = V(det) \subseteq C^{n \times n}$ $I_{K}(z) = \left(J_{p} \right)$ Symbolic power determinatal ideal pxp minors

REMARKS:

- $I_0(Z) = I_1(Z) = O_X \implies rational sing$
- $I_2(Z) = J_{n-1}$

TECHNIQUES:

- · Rep theory GLn(C), equivariant D-modules
- Do it WITHOUT log resolution

 $\underline{\text{THM}(P,-Raice'20, P.'21)}: \mathbb{Z}_p = \{\text{rank} \leq p\} \leq \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}.$ Calculate $F_{z_p}(\mathcal{O}_{x}), W_{z_p}(\mathcal{O}_{x}).$ Weight of D_X-simple factor depends only on its support and cohom. deg. FUTURE WORK: () Hodge ideals, mixed Hodge structure On other spaces with finitely many orbits 2 Connections with motivic Chern Classes (Brasselet - Schürmann - Yokura). Determinantal case known: [Fehér-Rimány:-Weber 19]

Geometric and Combinatorial aspects of Nonlinear Algebra

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Algebraic Torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n \leftrightarrow \mathbb{C}[x_1^{\pm}, \dots, x_n^{\pm}]$ Laurent Polynomials

Notation: $\mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \to x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}, \ \alpha = (\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ Newton Polytope of $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \in \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{x}^{\pm}]$: The convex hull of the finite set $\{\alpha : c_{\alpha} \neq 0\}$.

Convex polytope with vertices in \mathbb{Z}^n .

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\alpha_0, \ldots, \alpha_s\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n \to \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}} = \{f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=0}^s c_i \mathbf{x}^{\alpha_i} : \alpha_i \in \mathcal{A}, c_i \in \mathbb{C}, \forall i\}$$

The convex hull of \mathcal{A} is the Newton polytope of a generic element of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}$, denoted as $\triangle_{\mathcal{A}}$.

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For a generic choice of $f_1, \ldots, f_n \in \mathcal{L}_A$, the number of solutions in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ of the system $f_1(\mathbf{x}) = \cdots = f_n(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ is the same, and is equal to $n! \operatorname{vol}(\triangle_A)$

Toric variety and Convex polytope

Due to Khovanskii...one of the references is Escobar and Kaveh 2020... Consider the map $\psi_{\mathcal{A}} : (\mathbb{C}^*)^n \to \mathbb{CP}^s$ such that $\mathbf{x} \mapsto (\mathbf{x}^{\alpha_0} : \cdots : \mathbf{x}^{\alpha_s})$,

 $T_{\mathcal{A}} := \psi_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{C}^*)^n \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$, provided the differences of elements of \mathcal{A} generate \mathbb{Z}^n

The toric variety X_A is the closure of the image of the map ψ_A in \mathbb{CP}^s .

- The torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ acts on \mathbb{CP}^s by $\mathbf{x}(z_0 : \cdots : z_s) = (\mathbf{x}^{\alpha_0} z_0 : \cdots : \mathbf{x}^{\alpha_s} z_s)$
- the variety X_A is the closure of the orbit of $(1 : \cdots : 1)$.

The degree of $X_{\mathcal{A}} \subset \mathbb{CP}^s$ is equal to $n!vol(\triangle_{\mathcal{A}})$

Moment Map: $\mu_{\mathcal{A}} : X_{\mathcal{A}} \to \triangle_A$. $\mu_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathbb{CP}^s \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by

$$(z_0:\cdots:z_s)\mapsto \sum_{i=0}^s \left(\frac{|z_i|^2}{\sum_{j=0}^s |z_j|^2}\right)\alpha_i\in \Delta_{\mathcal{A}}$$

- $\mu_{\mathcal{A}}$ is invariant under the action of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$
- $\mu_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{CP}^s) = \mu_{\mathcal{A}}(X_{\mathcal{A}}) = \triangle_{\mathcal{A}}$

Permutohedron and Associahedron

- The flag variety F_n : $\{0\} = V_0 \subsetneq V_1 \subsetneq \ldots V_n = \mathbb{C}^n \leftrightarrow M \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}), V_i =$ the row span of the top *i* rows of *M*
- Plucker Coordinates of the subspace V_i : $(p_I(M) : |I| = i) \in \mathbb{CP}^{\binom{n}{i}-1}, 1 \le i \le n$
- F_n : A projective variety in $\mathbb{CP}^{\binom{n}{1}-1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{CP}^{\binom{n}{n-1}-1}$
- The torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$: the group \mathcal{D} of invertible diagonal $n \times n$ matrices.
- F_n is a \mathcal{D} -invariant subvariety-moment map.
- The image of this map is the permutohedron P_n .



- The Associahedron
- The Catalan Number

Generealization:Newton-Okounkov body

Numerical Semigroup: Principal Matrix and Frobenius number

- The Semigroup $S = \langle \mathbf{a} \rangle$ generated by $\mathbf{a} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ of positive integers.
- When $(a_1, \ldots, a_n) = 1$, the semigroup $\langle \mathbf{a} \rangle$ is called a *numerical semigroup*
- Consider the k-algebra homomorphism $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}: K[x_1, \dots, x_n] \to k[t]$ given by $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x_i) = t^{a_i}$.
- The image of this map $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}$ is the semigroup ring $k[\mathbf{a}]$
- $k[\mathbf{a}] = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]/I_\mathbf{a}$ where ker $\phi_\mathbf{a} = I(\mathbf{a})$.
- The $I_{\mathbf{a}}$ is the toric ideal of $k[\mathbf{a}]$.
- Since $(a_1, \ldots, a_n) = 1$, there exists a smallest integer $r_i > 0$ such that $r_i a_i = \sum_{j \neq i} r_{ij} a_j$ for all $i = 1, \ldots, n$.
- The $n \times n$ matrix $D(\mathbf{a}) := (r_{ij})$ where $r_{ii} := -r_i$ is called a principal matrix associated to \mathbf{a} .
- there is a number f such that $x > f \to x \in S$, a numerical semigroup. This number f is called the Frobenius number.
- *f* is the largest positive integer not in S.
- The semigroup *S* is symmetric if for all $x < f, x \in S$ if and only if $f x \notin S$.

Clans, sects, and symmetric space closure orders (joint with Mahir Can & Özlem Uğurlu)

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Example and result

For clans, $\gamma \leq \tau$ if and only if...

1. $\pi(\gamma) \leq \pi(\tau)$ in G/P2. $\pi^-(\gamma) < \pi^-(\tau)$ in G/P^- (associated lattice path lies weakly below), (associated lattice path lies weakly above),

3. for involutions, $\sigma_{\gamma} \leq \sigma_{\tau}$.



The Bruhat order on the type CI symmetric space is the restriction of the Bruhat order on the type AIII symmetric space to the skew-symmetric clans.

Remark: DIII fails to restrict at the Weyl group level, comparing involutions.

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Thank You!

Inclusion order on Borel orbit closures in $SL_4/L_{2,2}$.



Bruhat order on Schubert cells in Gr(2, 4).

A generating function for counting mutually annihilating matrices over a finite field

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Main Result

Theorem (H.) Let \mathbb{F}_q be the finite field of q elements, $Mat_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$ denote the set of $n \times n$ matrices over \mathbb{F}_q , and $GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$ the set of invertible matrices therein. Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|\{A, B \in \operatorname{Mat}_n(\mathbb{F}_q) : AB = BA = 0\}|}{|\operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{F}_q)|} z^n = ((1-z)(1-q^{-1}z)(1-q^{-2}z)\dots)^{-2} H_q(z),$$

where $H_q(z)$ is a power series in z with infinite radius of convergence.

Techniques of the proof: Counting is easy. The factorization uses standard q-series identities involving Young diagrams and Durfee squares. $H_q(z)$ can be written down explicitly.

Geometric picture

Such generating functions correspond to affine $\mathbb{F}_q\text{-varieties}$ in a systematic way:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|\{A, B \in \operatorname{Mat}_n(\mathbb{F}_q) : AB = BA = 0\}|}{|\operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{F}_q)|} z^n \rightsquigarrow \{(x, y) : xy = 0\}$$
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If we denote the generating function associated to a variety X by $\widehat{Z}_X(z)$, then the main result can be restated as

$$\frac{\widehat{Z}_{\{xy=0\}}(z)}{\widehat{Z}_{(\text{two lines})}(z)}$$
 is an entire function

Conjecture

Conjecture (informal)

The fact that {two disjoint lines} is a resolution of singularity of $\{xy = 0\}$ is the geometric reason behind the main result.

Conjecture (formal)

Let X be any curve over \mathbb{F}_q with only planar singularities, and assume \widetilde{X} is a resolution of singularity of X. Then $\frac{\widehat{Z}_X(z)}{\widehat{Z}_{\widetilde{X}}(z)}$ is entire in z.

We remark that the question only depends on the type of the singularity. The main result implies the conjecture holds for nodes.

This phenomenon is seen for the generating function of Hilbert schemes (Göttsche–Shende '14, Refined curve counting on complex surfaces).

Other open questions

Even in the main result, the holomorphic factor $H_q(z)$ is explicit, its behavior is still mysterious.

- Can it be further factorized? (Most likely no, but maybe there is a natural weaker question to ask.)
- Does it have an "almost" functional equation?

Here are the observed data for the zeros of $H_q(z)$:

• There seem to be infinitely many zeros, namely, z_1, z_2, \ldots in first quadrant, and their complex conjugates.

•
$$z_{n+1} \approx q z_n$$
, and $|z_n| \approx q^{n-\frac{1}{2}}$. For $q = 4$,

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &= 0.41614 + 1.72467i, & |z_1| &= 1.77288 < 2 = q^{1/2} \\ z_2 &= 1.65483 + 7.60611i, & |z_2| &= 7.78405 < 8 = q^{3/2} \\ z_3 &= 6.62192 + 31.08907i, & |z_3| &= 31.7865 < 32 = q^{5/2} \\ z_4 &= 26.4883 + 125.0116i, & |z_4| &= 127.787 < 128 = q^{7/2} \end{aligned}$$

