

## Math 740 Advanced theory of Macdonald polynomials Lecture 18

Most of the Schur functions developments **except for the determinantal formulas** have direct analogues for **Macdonald polynomials**.

We do not have time to cover all the proofs, [See Macdonald's book, Chapter VI], but we will detail the main statements.

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Theorem 1 (Principal specialization)

$$P_{\lambda}(1, t, \dots, t^{N-1}; q, t) = t^{\sum_{i=1}^N (i-1)\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} \frac{(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_j} t^{j-i}; q)_{\infty}}{(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_j} t^{j-i+1}; q)_{\infty}} \cdot \frac{(t^{j-i+1}; q)_{\infty}}{(t^{j-i}; q)_{\infty}}$$

[This is a rational function of  $(q, t)$ .]

Examples for theorem 1:

- $q = t$  
$$S_{\lambda}(1, t, \dots, t^{N-1}) = t^{\sum (i-1)\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{i < j} \frac{1 - t^{(\lambda_i - i) - (\lambda_j - j)}}{1 - t^{j-i}}$$

This is equivalent to Lecture 4, slide 10.

- $q = 0$  (Hall-Littlewood polynomials)

$$P_{\lambda}(1, \dots, t^{N-1}; 0, t) = t^{\sum_i (i-1)\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{i < j : \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j} \frac{1 - t^{j-i+1}}{1 - t^{j-i}}$$

$$= t^{\sum_i (i-1)\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{i < j} \frac{1 - t^{j-i+1}}{1 - t^{j-i}} \cdot \prod_{i < j : \lambda_i = \lambda_j} \frac{1 - t^{j-i}}{1 - t^{j-i+1}} =$$

$$= t^{\sum_i (i-1)\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{1 - t^j}{1 - t} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{m_k(\lambda)} \frac{1 - t}{1 - t^j}$$

← # of parts  $k$  in  $\lambda$

- $t=1$  Monomial symmetric functions [Lecture 17, slide 10]

$$m_\lambda(1^N) = \frac{N!}{\prod_{k \geq 1} [m_k(\lambda)]!}$$

[sending  $t \rightarrow 1$  in the previous case]

$\nwarrow$  # of parts  $k$  in  $\lambda$

Exercise: check this directly from definition of  $m_\lambda$ .

- Set  $t = q^\theta$ , send  $q \rightarrow 1$ . Jack symmetric polynomials

Lemma:  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} (1-q)^{1-x} \frac{(q; q)_\infty}{(q^x; q)_\infty} = \Gamma(x)$

[ $q$ -Gamma function converges to Gamma function]  
we do not give a proof

$$J_\lambda(1^N; \theta) = \prod_{i < j} \frac{\Gamma(\lambda_i - \lambda_j + \theta(j-i+1))}{\Gamma(\lambda_i - \lambda_j + \theta(j-i))} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\theta(j-i))}{\Gamma(\theta(j-i+1))}$$

- Set  $\theta = 1$  in the last formula to get  $s_\lambda$  again.  
Set  $\theta = 0$  in the last formula to get  $m_\lambda$  again.

- $t = q^\theta$ ,  $q = e^{-\varepsilon}$ ,  $\lambda = (L\varepsilon^{-1}r_1, \dots, L\varepsilon^{-1}r_N)$ ,  $x_i = e^{\varepsilon y_i}$   
 $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  Heckman-Opdam hypergeometric functions

$$F_{r_1, \dots, r_N}(y_1, \dots, y_N; \theta) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^{\theta N(N-1)/2} P_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_N; q, t)$$

$$F_{r_1, \dots, r_N}(0, -\theta, \dots, (1-N)\theta; \theta) = \prod_{i < j} \frac{\Gamma(\theta(j-i))}{\Gamma(\theta(j-i-1))} \cdot \prod_{i < j} (e^{-r_i} - e^{-r_j})^\theta$$

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We do not yet know much about Hall-Littlewood, Jack, or Heckman-Opdam functions, but we see that formulas have such well-defined limits.

Theorem 2: Define  $f(u) = \frac{(tu; q)_\infty}{(qu; q)_\infty}$ . We have

$$\frac{Q_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_N; q, t)}{P_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_N; q, t)} = \frac{1}{\langle P_\lambda, P_\lambda \rangle_{q, t}} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq \ell(\lambda)} \frac{f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_j} t^{j-i})}{f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}$$

- At  $q = t$   $f(u) = 1$  and  $Q_\lambda = P_\lambda$ .
- At  $q = 0$ ,  $f(u) = 1 - tu$
- $t = q^\theta$ ,  $q \rightarrow 1$ .  $f(q^x) \sim (1-q)^{1-\theta} \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x+\theta)}$
- $t = 1 \rightarrow$  **singular** [as it should be, since scalar product explodes]

### Theorem 3 (Label-variable symmetry)

Take any two Young diagrams  $\lambda, \mu$  with  $\ell(\lambda) \leq N, \ell(\mu) \leq N$

Then

$$\frac{P_{\lambda}(q^{\mu_1} t^{N-1}, q^{\mu_2} t^{N-2}, \dots, q^{\mu_N})}{P_{\lambda}(1, t, \dots, t^{N-1})} = \frac{P_{\mu}(q^{\lambda_1} t^{N-1}, q^{\lambda_2} t^{N-2}, \dots, q^{\lambda_N})}{P_{\mu}(1, t, \dots, t^{N-1})}$$

• At  $q = t$  this is a corollary of the determinantal formula

$$\frac{S_{\lambda}(q^{\mu_1+N-1}, \dots, q^{\mu_N})}{S_{\lambda}(1, q, \dots, q^{N-1})} = \prod_{i < j} (q^{N-i} - q^{N-j}) \frac{\det [q^{(\mu_i + N - i)(\lambda_j + N - j)}]_{i,j=1}^N}{\prod_{i < j} (q^{\lambda_i + N - i} - q^{\lambda_j + N - j}) (q^{\mu_i + N - i} - q^{\mu_j + N - i})}$$

symmetric expression in  $\lambda, \mu$

•  $t = q^{\theta}, q \rightarrow 1$

Jack polynomials

$$\frac{J_{\mu}(e^{-r_1}, \dots, e^{-r_N}; \theta)}{J_{\mu}(1^N; \theta)} = \frac{\mathcal{F}_{r_1, \dots, r_N}(-\mu_1 - \theta(N-1), \dots, -\mu_N; \theta)}{\mathcal{F}_{r_1, \dots, r_N}(-\theta(N-1), -\theta(N-2), \dots, 0; \theta)}$$

Heckman-Opdam functions

Theorem 4 (combinatorial formula; branching rule)

$$P_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_N; q, t) = \sum_{\mu \prec \lambda} x_N^{|\lambda| - |\mu|} \cdot \psi_{\lambda/\mu} \cdot P_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}; q, t)$$

interlacing  $\rightarrow$

$$\psi_{\lambda/\mu} = f(1)^{N-1} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} f(q^{\lambda_i - \mu_j} t^{j-i}) \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq N} \frac{f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}{f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i}) f(q^{\lambda_i - \mu_j} t^{j-i})}$$

$$f(u) = \frac{(tu; q)_{\infty}}{(qu; q)_{\infty}}$$

Iterating we get

Should use  $N=k$  in

$$P_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_N; q, t) = \sum_{0 = \lambda^{(0)} \prec \lambda^{(1)} \prec \lambda^{(2)} \prec \dots \prec \lambda^{(N)} = \lambda} \prod_{k=1}^N \left[ x_i^{|\lambda^{(k)}| - |\lambda^{(k-1)}|} \psi_{\lambda^{(k)}/\lambda^{(k-1)}} \right]$$

- $q=t$  :  $\psi_{\lambda/\mu} = 1$  and we get the result of Lecture 4, slide 6

Exercise: Setting  $q$  and  $t$  appropriately, obtain the combinatorial formulas for Jack, Hall-Littlewood, monomial, Heckman-Opdam.

# Theorem 5

## (Pieri rules)

[Formulas from Macdonald, Chapter VI, section 6]

(6.24) Let  $\mu$  be a partition and  $r$  a positive integer. Then

(i)  $P_\mu g_r = \sum_\lambda \varphi_{\lambda/\mu} P_\lambda$ ,

(ii)  $Q_\mu g_r = \sum_\lambda \psi_{\lambda/\mu} Q_\lambda$ ,

(iii)  $Q_\mu e_r = \sum_\lambda \varphi'_{\lambda/\mu} Q_\lambda$ ,

(iv)  $P_\mu e_r = \sum_\lambda \psi'_{\lambda/\mu} P_\lambda$ .

In (i) and (ii) (resp. (iii) and (iv)) the sum is over partitions  $\lambda$  such that  $\lambda - \mu$  is a horizontal (resp. vertical)  $r$ -strip, and the coefficients are given by

$$\varphi_{\lambda/\mu} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq l(\lambda)} \frac{f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_j} t^{j-i}) f(q^{\mu_i - \mu_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}{f(q^{\lambda_i - \mu_j} t^{j-i}) f(q^{\mu_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}$$

$$\psi_{\lambda/\mu} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq l(\mu)} \frac{f(q^{\mu_i - \mu_j} t^{j-i}) f(q^{\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}{f(q^{\lambda_i - \mu_j} t^{j-i}) f(q^{\mu_i - \lambda_{j+1}} t^{j-i})}.$$

$$\varphi'_{\lambda/\mu}(q, t) = \varphi_{\lambda'/\mu'}(t, q), \quad \psi'_{\lambda/\mu}(q, t) = \psi_{\lambda'/\mu'}(t, q).$$

Slightly different form of the same  $\psi_{\lambda/\mu}$  from the last slide

$$\xi(u) = \frac{(tu; q)_\infty}{(qu; q)_\infty}$$

- At  $q = t$   $\psi = \varphi = \psi' = \varphi' = 1$  and we get HW2, Problems 1-2.

Exercise: Setting  $q$  and  $t$  obtain Pieri's formulas for Jack, Hall-Littlewood, monomial and Heckman-Opdam cases.

There are many more structures. For instance:

- Skew functions  $P_{\lambda/\mu}$ ,  $Q_{\lambda/\mu}$

- $q$ -integral representation

- Macdonald operators are a part of larger algebra

(Shifted) Macdonald polynomials:  $q$ -Integral representation and combinatorial formula

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