

Jacobi-Trudi Determinants Over Finite Fields

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Definition (e_k and h_k)

For any positive integer k , the elementary symmetric function e_k is defined as

$$e_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_k}$$

The complete homogeneous symmetric function h_k is defined as

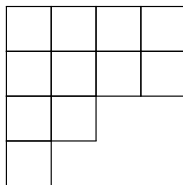
$$h_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i_1 \leq \dots \leq i_k} x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_k}$$

For example, $e_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1x_2$, while $h_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2$.

Basic Definitions

A **partition** λ of a positive integer n is a sequence of weakly decreasing positive integers $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_k$ that sum to n . For each i , the integer λ_i is called the i^{th} part of λ . We call n the size of λ , and denote by $|\lambda| = n$. We call k the length of λ .

$\lambda = (4, 4, 2, 1)$ is a partition of 11. We can represent it by a Young diagram:



Basic Definitions

A semi-standard Young tableau (SSYT) of shape λ and size n is a filling of the boxes of λ with positive integers such that the entries weakly increase across rows and strictly increase down columns. To each SSYT T of shape λ and size n we associate a monomial x^T given by

$$x^T = \prod_{i \in \mathbb{N}^+} x_i^{m_i},$$

where m_i is the number of times the integer i appears as an entry in T .

$$T = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 3 & 5 \\ \hline 4 & 6 & & \\ \hline 5 & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x^T = x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3^2 x_4^2 x_5^2 x_6$$

Definition (Schur Function)

The Schur function s_λ is defined as

$$s_\lambda = \sum_T x^T,$$

where the sum is across all semi-standard Young tableaux of shape λ .

Theorem (Jacobi-Trudi Identity)

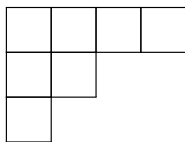
For any partition $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$ and its transpose λ' , we have

$$s_\lambda = \det (h_{\lambda_i - i + j})_{i,j=1}^k,$$

$$s_{\lambda'} = \det (e_{\lambda_i - i + j})_{i,j=1}^k.$$

where $h_0 = e_0 = 1$ and $h_m = e_m = 0$ for $m < 0$.

For example, let $\lambda = (4, 2, 1)$.


$$s_\lambda = \begin{vmatrix} h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ 0 & 1 & h_1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e_3 & e_4 & e_5 & e_6 \\ e_1 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 \\ 0 & 1 & e_1 & e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & e_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Main Question

If we assign the h_i 's to numbers in some finite field \mathbb{F}_q randomly, then for an arbitrary λ , what is the probability that $s_\lambda \mapsto 0$?

Besides, we also investigate when the probabilities are independent and what is the probability $P(s_\lambda \mapsto a)$ for some nonzero $a \in \mathbb{F}_q$.

Equivalence of Assigning e_i 's and h_i 's

For any positive integer k , Look at the single row partition $\lambda = (k)$. We have

$$s_\lambda = h_k = \begin{vmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & \cdots & e_k \\ 1 & e_1 & \cdots & e_{k-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & e_1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Calculating the determinant from expansion across the first row we get $h_k = (-1)^{k+1}e_k + P(e_1, \dots, e_{k-1})$.

Hence each assignment of h_1, \dots, h_k corresponds to exactly one assignment of e_1, \dots, e_k that results in the same value for s_λ , and vice versa.

Equivalence of Assigning e_i 's and h_i 's

We thus have

Theorem

For any partition λ , the value distribution of s_λ from assigning the h_i 's is the same as the value distribution from assigning the e_i 's.

Or equivalently, for any $a \in \mathbb{F}_q$, $P(s_\lambda \mapsto a) = P(s_{\lambda'} \mapsto a)$, where λ' is the transpose of λ .

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Conjecture

For a partition λ , $P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0)$ is always a quasi-rational function depending on the residue class of q modulo some integer.

Definition

Let M be a square matrix of size n with m free variables x_1, \dots, x_m . We call it a **general Schur matrix** if

- 1 The 0's forms a (possibly empty) upside-down partition shape on the lowerleft corner.
- 2 Each of the other entries is either a nonzero constant in \mathbb{F}_q (in which case we call the entry has label 0) or a polynomial in the form $x_k - f_{k-1}$ where $k \in [m]$ and f_{k-1} is a polynomial in x_1, \dots, x_{k-1} , and in this case we call the entry has label k .
- 3 The labels of the nonzero entries are strictly increasing across rows and strictly decreasing across columns. So in particular, the label of the upperright entry is the largest.

Definition

Let M be a general Schur matrix of size n with m free variables x_1, \dots, x_m . It is called a **reduced general Schur matrix** if it has the additional property that no entry is a nonzero constant.

Notice if we use each of the 1's in a Jacobi-Trudi matrix as a pivot to zero out all the other entries in its column and row and then delete these rows and columns, we obtain a reduced general Schur matrix M' . And we have $P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) = P(\det M' \mapsto 0)$.

Theorem (Lower Bound)

For any λ , we have $P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) \geq \frac{1}{q}$.

Idea of proof: We show $P(\det M \mapsto 0) \geq 1/q$ for an arbitrary reduced general Schur matrix M using induction on the number of free variables.

Lemma

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Let M be a reduced general Schur matrix of size $n \geq 2$ with 0's strictly below the $(n-1)^{\text{th}}$ diagonal. Let M' be the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ minor on its lower left corner. Then $P(\det M \mapsto 0 \ \& \ \det M' \mapsto 0) \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{q^2}$.

Theorem (Asymptotic Bound)

For any λ , as $q \rightarrow \infty$, we have $P(s_\lambda \vdash 0) \rightarrow \frac{1}{q}$.

Idea of proof:

Reduce to a reduced general Schur matrix.

Use conditional probability on whether its minor has zero determinant.

Get an upper bound $1/q + n(n-1)/q^2$ for the probability from the lemmas.

General Case and Conjecture on the Upper Bound

Proposition

Fix k . Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$, where $\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} \geq k - 1$ and $\lambda_k \geq k$. Then

$$P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) = 1 - \frac{|GL(k, q)|}{q^{k^2}} = \frac{1}{q^{k^2}} \left(q^{k^2} - \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} (q^k - q^j) \right),$$

where $|GL(k, q)|$ denote the number of invertible matrices of size k with entries in \mathbb{F}_q .

Conjecture (Upper Bound)

For any partition λ with k parts, the above probability gives a tight upper bound for $P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0)$.

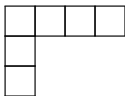
Achieving $\frac{1}{q}$

Partition shapes that achieve $\frac{1}{q}$ can be completely characterized.

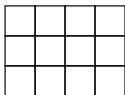
Theorem

$P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) = \frac{1}{q} \iff \lambda$ is a hook, rectangle or staircase.

Hook shapes: $\lambda = (a, 1^n)$



Rectangle shapes: $\lambda = (a^n)$



and Staircase shapes: $\lambda = (a, a - 1, a - 2, \dots, 1)$



Hook shapes have very nice Jacobi-Trudi matrices:

$$s_{(a,1^n)} = \begin{vmatrix} h_a & h_{a+1} & \cdots & & h_{a+n} \\ 1 & h_1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & h_1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & h_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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Rectangles

Rectangle shapes also have nice Jacobi-trudi matrices:

$$s_{(a^a)} = \begin{vmatrix} h_a & h_{a+1} & h_{a+2} & \cdots & h_{2a-1} \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & & h_{a+2} \\ h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & & h_{a+1} \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & \cdots & h_a \end{vmatrix}$$

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Idea of proof: Assign h_i 's in order until it is clear that the determinant is 0 with probability $\frac{1}{q}$

Definition

Let M be a general Schur matrix. Define an operation ψ from general Schur matrices to reduced general Schur matrices by:

- (a) If M has no nonzero constant entries, $\psi(M) = M$
- (b) Otherwise, take each nonzero entry in M and zero out its row and column, then delete its row and column. $\psi(M)$ is the resulting matrix

Example:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2x_2 & x_4 & x_5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4x_3 & x_4 \\ 0 & 0 & x_1 & x_3 - x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Definition

Let M be a general Schur matrix. Define φ that takes general Schur matrices and a set of assignments to reduced general Schur matrices by:

$$(a) \varphi(M; x_1 = a_1) = \psi(M(x_1 = a_1))$$

$$(b) \varphi(M; x_1 = a_1, x_2 = a_2, \dots, x_i = a_i) \\ = \varphi(\varphi(M; x_1 = a_1, \dots, x_{i-1} = a_{i-1}); x_i = a_i)$$

Rectangles

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x_4 & x_5 & x_6 & x_7 \\ x_3 & x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & x_5 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\xrightarrow{\varphi(x_4=8)} \begin{bmatrix} x_5 - 16 & x_6 - 32 & x_7 - 64 \\ 0 & x_5 - 16 & x_6 - 32 \\ 0 & 0 & x_5 - 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Lemma

Let A be a matrix corresponding to a rectangle partition shape, i.e.

$$A = (x_{j-i+n})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}.$$

Then the lowest nonzero diagonal of $\varphi(A; x_1 = a_1, \dots, x_r = a_r)$ has all entries the same for any a_1, \dots, a_r .

In particular, if $\varphi(A; x_1 = a_1, \dots, x_r = a_r)$ is upper triangular with variables on the main diagonal, the probability it has determinant 0 is $\frac{1}{q}$

We can now divide assignments of the h_i 's into disjoint sets based on the first time φ gives an upper triangular matrix: If two assignments are the same up until this point, they are put in the same set.

Each set will have $\frac{1}{q}$ of its members with determinant 0, so

$$P(s_{a^n} \mapsto 0) = \frac{1}{q}$$

Independence of Schur functions

A natural continuation of the question of when some Schur function is sent to 0 is whether two Schur functions are sent to 0 independently.

In general this is hard to determine, beyond the trivial case where the two Jacobi-Trudi matrices contain no e_i or h_i in common.

Theorem

Let $\Lambda := \{\lambda^{(k)}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a collection of hook shapes such that $|\lambda^{(k)}| = k$ for all k . Then the distributions of values of the collection $\{s_{\lambda^{(k)}}\}_k$ is uniform and independent of each other.

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Independence of Rectangles

Focusing on rectangles, we can find multiple families of rectangles whose probabilities of being 0 are all independent of one another.

Theorem

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Results from independence come from the structure of the relevant matrices. We can find one of the Jacobi-Trudi matrices of two rectangles in the same family as a minor of the other:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_4 & x_5 & x_6 & x_7 \\ x_3 & x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & x_5 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ contains } \begin{bmatrix} x_3 & x_4 & x_5 \\ x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} x_5 & x_6 & x_7 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_3 & x_4 & x_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Nonzero values of Schur functions

Another natural continuation lies in values of \mathbb{F}_q other than 0, and finding the probability some Schur function is sent to one of these values.

Proposition

Let $a, x \in \mathbb{F}_q$ with $x \neq 0$, and let λ be a partition of size n . Then

$$P(s_\lambda \mapsto a) = P(s_\lambda \mapsto x^n a)$$

s_λ is homogeneous of degree n , and each h_i is homogeneous with degree i . Thus if $h_1 = a_1, h_2 = a_2, \dots, h_n = a_n$ sends s_λ to a , $h_1 = xa_1, h_2 = x^2 a_2, \dots, h_n = x^n a_n$ will send s_λ to $x^n a$. This is a bijection since x is nonzero, so the two probabilities are equal.

Corollary

Let λ be a partition of size n , and let q be a prime power such that $\gcd(n, q-1) = 1$. Then $P(s_\lambda \mapsto a) = P(s_\lambda \mapsto b)$ for any nonzero $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_q$.

Nonzero values of rectangles

Theorem

$$P(S_{a^n} \mapsto b) = \sum_{d \mid \gcd(q-1, a)} \frac{f_b(d)}{q^{a(d-1)/d+1}}$$

where

$$f_b(d) = \sum_{e \mid d} \mu(e) g_b\left(\frac{d}{e}\right)$$

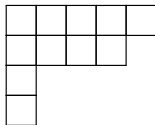
is the Möbius inverse of

$$g_b(d) = \begin{cases} 0 & d \nmid \frac{q-1}{\text{ord}(b)} \\ d & d \mid \frac{q-1}{\text{ord}(b)} \end{cases}$$

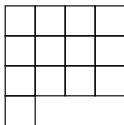
Shapes with Probability $(q^2 + q - 1)/q^3$

Two hook-like shapes:

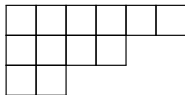
- $\lambda = (a, b, 1^m)$, where $b \geq 2$ and $a \neq b + m$.



- $\lambda = (a^m, 1^n)$ where $a, m > 1$.



(Conjecture) 2-staircases: $\lambda = (2k, \dots, 4, 2)$



Relaxing the Condition of General Shape

Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$, where $\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} \geq k - 1$ and $\lambda_k < k$, then

$$P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) = 1 - \frac{GL(k-1, q)}{q^{(k-1)^2}} = \frac{1}{q^{(k-1)^2}} \left(q^{(k-1)^2} - \prod_{j=0}^{k-2} (q^{k-1} - q^j) \right)$$

Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$, where $\lambda_j - \lambda_{j+1} = k - 2$ for some $j < k$, $\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} \geq k - 1$ for all $i < k, i \neq j$ and $\lambda_k \geq k$. Then

$$P(s_\lambda \mapsto 0) = 1 - \frac{q^{2k-2} - q^{k-1} - q^{k-2} + 1}{q^{k^2-2k+2}} \prod_{i=0}^{k-3} (q^{k-2} - q^i).$$

The End