

## TWISTED ACTION OF THE SYMMETRIC GROUP ON THE COHOMOLOGY OF A FLAG MANIFOLD

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**Abstract.** Classes dual to Schubert cycles constitute a basis on the cohomology ring of the flag manifold  $\mathcal{F}$ , self-adjoint up to indexation with respect to the intersection form. Here, we study the bilinear form

$$(X, Y) := \langle X \cdot Y, c(\mathcal{F}) \rangle$$

where  $X, Y$  are cocycles,  $c(\mathcal{F})$  is the total Chern class of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the intersection form. This form is related to a twisted action of the symmetric group of the cohomology ring, and to the degenerate affine Hecke algebra. We give a distinguished basis for this form, which is a deformation of the usual basis of Schubert polynomials, and apply it to the computation of the Schubert cycle expansions of Chern classes of flag manifolds.

**1. Introduction and preliminaries.** Let  $V$  be a complex vector space of dimension  $n$ , and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}(V)$  be the variety of complete flags in  $V$ . It is well known that the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{C})$  is the quotient of the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{C}[X] = \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  by the ideal  $\mathcal{I}^+$  of symmetric polynomials without constant term.

Let  $\sigma_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$  be the simple transposition exchanging  $x_i$  and  $x_{i+1}$ . Denote

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by  $\partial_i$  the linear operator on  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  defined by

$$\partial_i f := \frac{f - \sigma_i f}{x_i - x_{i+1}} \quad (1)$$

(Newton's divided difference). The operators  $\partial_1, \dots, \partial_{n-1}$  induce operators on  $H^*(\mathcal{F})$ .

According to [1] and [4], the basis of Schubert cycles can be obtained from the class of a point  $P = \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)$  by successive applications of divided difference operators. Taking as representative of  $P$  the polynomial  $X := x_1^{n-1} x_2^{n-2} \dots x_1^0$ , one obtains polynomials  $X_\mu$ ,  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ , called Schubert polynomials, which represent the Schubert subvarieties in the cohomology ring [11]. A detailed account of the algebraic theory of Schubert polynomials can be found in Macdonald's treatise [14].

Divided differences satisfy the braid relations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_i \partial_{i+1} \partial_i &= \partial_{i+1} \partial_i \partial_{i+1} \\ \partial_i \partial_j &= \partial_j \partial_i \quad \text{for } |i - j| > 1, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

but the squares  $\partial_i^2$  are null. These relations allow to define operators  $\partial_\mu$  for any permutation  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ : if  $\mu = \sigma_{i_1} \sigma_{i_2} \dots \sigma_{i_m}$  is a reduced decomposition of  $\mu$ , one sets  $\partial_\mu = \partial_{i_1} \partial_{i_2} \dots \partial_{i_m}$ . The result does not depend on the choice of a particular reduced decomposition of  $\mu$ .

To recover an action of the symmetric group, one can take any  $q \in \mathbb{C}$  and define

$$D_i := \sigma_i + q \partial_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1. \quad (3)$$

These operators still satisfy the braid relations

$$\begin{cases} D_i D_{i+1} D_i &= D_{i+1} D_i D_{i+1} \\ D_i D_j &= D_j D_i \quad (|i - j| > 1) \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

together with

$$D_i^2 = 1, \quad (5)$$

so that they generate a representation of the symmetric group  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  on the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , as well as on the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{C})$ . These operators have been considered by Cherednik and Bernstein (cf. [2], [3]). Similar operators, acting on the equivariant  $K$ -theory of flag manifolds, have been used by Lusztig [13]. More general operators satisfying braid relations have been given in [12].

As  $\partial_i$  decreases degrees by 1, all  $q \neq 0$  will give equivalent representations of  $\mathfrak{S}_n$ , and by homogeneity, the general case can be recovered from the case  $q = 1$ . For simplicity, we set  $q = 1$ , and write

$$s_i := \sigma_i + \partial_i. \quad (6)$$

We denote as above by  $s_\mu$  the product of operators  $s_i$  corresponding to a permutation  $\mu$ . Remark that the operator algebra generated by the  $s_i$  and the variables  $x_j$  (interpreted as operators  $f \mapsto x_j f$ ) is isomorphic to the degenerate affine Hecke algebra considered in [2].

Schubert calculus for other classical groups can be found in the work of Fulton [7] and of Pragacz and Ratajski [15].

This paper is organized as follows. We first define certain elements (Yang-Baxter operators) of the degenerate affine Hecke algebra. Then we use them to define a bilinear form on the cohomology of a flag manifold. We exhibit a distinguished basis, called *affine*

*Schubert polynomials*, and compute its adjoint basis. We then apply this formalism to the computation of the Schubert expansions of Chern classes.

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**2. Yang-Baxter operators.** We shall define inductively operators  $\square_\mu$  and  $\nabla_\mu$  associated with any permutation  $\mu$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_n$ . Set  $\square_{12\dots n} = 1$ ,  $\nabla_{12\dots n} = 1$ , and, if  $\mu = \sigma_i\alpha$  with  $\ell(\mu) = \ell(\alpha) + 1$ , and  $\beta = \alpha^{-1}$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \square_\mu = \left( s_i + \frac{1}{\beta_{i+1}-\beta_i} \right) \square_\alpha \\ \nabla_\mu = \left( s_i - \frac{1}{\beta_{i+1}-\beta_i} \right) \nabla_\alpha \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Using the braid relations (4), one can check that this definition is consistent, i.e. does not depend on the chosen factorization (see [2, 3] and [6]). This follows in fact from a classical solution of the Yang-Baxter equation. In [17], C. N. Yang observed that the operators defined by  $Y_i(u) = u^{-1} + \sigma_i$ , where  $u$  is a scalar parameter and  $\sigma_i$  the transposition  $(i, i + 1)$  satisfy the ‘‘Quantum Yang-Baxter Equation with spectral parameter’’:

$$Y_i(u - v)Y_{i+1}(u - w)Y_i(v - w) = Y_{i+1}(v - w)Y_i(u - w)Y_{i+1}(u - v) \quad (8)$$

It follows that given a  $n$ -tuple of parameters  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ , one can define for any permutation  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$  an operator  $R_\mu(\mathbf{u})$  by the following prescription:  $Y_\mu(\mathbf{u}) = Y_i(u_{\beta(i+1)} - u_{\beta(i)})R_\alpha(\mathbf{u})$ , where, as above,  $R_{12\dots n} = 1$ ,  $\mu = \sigma_i\alpha$ ,  $\ell(\mu) = \ell(\alpha) + 1$  and  $\beta = \alpha^{-1}$ . Then, our operators (7) are respectively  $R_\mu(\mathbf{u})$  and  $R_\mu(-\mathbf{u})$ , where  $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, \dots, n)$  and  $\sigma_i$  is interpreted as  $s_i$ .

For the maximal element  $\omega = (n, n - 1, \dots, 1)$  of  $\mathfrak{S}_n$ , one has the following factorization property (given in [6] for the case of the Hecke algebra):

PROPOSITION 2.1. Define  $\theta = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (1 + x_i - x_j)$  and  $\theta^* = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (1 - x_i + x_j)$ .

Then, for any polynomial  $f$ ,

(i)  $\nabla_\omega f = \theta^* \partial_\omega f$

(ii)  $\square_\omega f = \partial_\omega(\theta f)$ .

*Proof.* Recall that the classes of the Schubert polynomials  $X_\mu$ ,  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ , form a basis of  $H^*(\mathcal{F}) = \mathbb{C}[X]/\mathcal{I}^+$ . Given  $\mu$  and  $i$  such that  $\ell(\mu\sigma_i) > \ell(\mu)$ , the polynomial  $X_\mu$  is symmetrical in  $x_i$  and  $x_{i+1}$ . As such, it is sent to 0 by the operator  $\nabla_{\sigma_i} = \sigma_i + \partial_i - 1$ .

Now, for any permutation  $\mu \neq \omega$ , there exists an  $i$  such that  $\ell(\mu\sigma_i) > \ell(\mu)$ . If we choose a reduced decomposition of  $\omega$  ending by  $\sigma_i$ ,  $\omega = \nu\sigma_i$ , say, we see that  $X_\mu$  is sent to 0 by  $\partial_\omega = \partial_\nu\partial_{\sigma_i}$  and by  $\nabla_\omega = \nabla_\mu\nabla_{\sigma_i}$ .

Thus,  $\nabla_\omega$  as well as  $\partial_\omega$  annihilate all Schubert polynomials  $X_\mu$  for  $\mu \neq \omega$ . Finally,  $X_\omega = x_1^{n-1} \dots x_n^0$  is sent to 1 by  $\partial_\omega$ . To conclude, it remains to prove that

$$\nabla_\omega(X_\omega) = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (1 - x_i + x_j).$$

This formula can be proved by induction on  $n$  using the factorization

$$\omega_n = \sigma_1\sigma_2 \cdots \sigma_{n-1}\omega_{n-1},$$

which gives

$$\nabla_{\omega_n} = \left(s_1 - 1\right) \cdots \left(s_{n-1} - \frac{1}{n-1}\right) \nabla_{\omega_{n-1}}. \blacksquare$$

**3. Quadratic form.** Recall that the intersection form of the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{C})$  is induced by the form on  $\mathbb{C}[X]$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \partial_{\omega}(fg)|_0 = \partial_{\omega}(fg|_{\ell(\omega)}) \tag{9}$$

where  $f|_k$  denotes the homogeneous component of degree  $k$  of  $f$  (cf. [1], [5]). With respect to this form, the Schubert polynomials satisfy

$$\langle X_{\mu}, X_{\nu} \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \nu = \omega\mu \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{10}$$

The tangent bundle  $T\mathcal{F}$  of the flag manifold has a composition sequence  $\{L_i L_j^{-1}\}_{i < j}$  where  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n$  are the tautological line bundles on  $\mathcal{F}$ . The total Chern class of  $L_i$  being  $c(L_i) = 1 + x_i$ , the total Chern class of the tangent bundle of  $\mathcal{F}$  is

$$c(\mathcal{F}) = \prod_{i < j} (1 + x_i - x_j) \tag{11}$$

(see e.g. [8], our convention is  $L_i = \xi_i^*$  in the notation of [8]). Consider now the following quadratic form on  $\mathbb{C}[X]$ :

DEFINITION 3.1.

$$(f, g) := \square_{\omega}(fg)|_0.$$

Thus, in the cohomology ring, we see from Proposition 2.1 that

$$(f, g) = \langle f, g c(\mathcal{F}) \rangle = \langle f c(\mathcal{F}), g \rangle. \tag{12}$$

LEMMA 3.2. *The operators  $\square_i$  are self-adjoint with respect to the quadratic form  $(\ , \ )$ .*

Proof. For any  $i$ ,  $\square_{\omega} \square_i = 2 \square_{\omega}$ , since  $\square_i^2 = 2 \square_i$  and since one can find a reduced decomposition of  $\omega$  ending with  $\sigma_i$ . Now,

$$(\square_i f, g) = \square_{\omega} ((\square_i f)g)|_0 = \frac{1}{2} \square_{\omega} \square_i ((\square_i f)g)|_0 = \frac{1}{2} \square_{\omega} ((\square_i f)(\square_i g))|_0$$

since  $\square_i f$  is a scalar for  $\square_i$ , being symmetrical in  $x_i, x_{i+1}$ . The last expression being symmetrical in  $f, g$ , this proves that  $(\square_i f, g) = (f, \square_i g)$ .  $\blacksquare$

**4. Affine Schubert polynomials.** Let  $\mathcal{H}_n$  be the linear subspace of  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  generated by the monomials  $x^I = x_1^{i_1} x_2^{i_2} \cdots x_n^{i_n}$  such that  $i_k \leq n - k$ . Let  $\Pi$  be the projector from  $\mathbb{C}[X]$  onto  $\mathcal{H}_n$  associating to a polynomial  $P$  the unique representative in  $\mathcal{H}_n$  of its class  $\bar{P} \in \mathbb{C}[X]/\mathcal{I}^+$ .

DEFINITION 4.1. Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ . The *affine Schubert polynomial* of index  $\mu$  is defined by

$$Z_{\mu} = \Pi(\square_{\mu^{-1}\omega} Z_{\omega})$$

where  $Z_{\omega} := X_{\omega} = x_1^{n-1} x_2^{n-2} \cdots x_n^0$ .

EXAMPLE 4.2. For  $n = 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{321} &= x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{312} &= x_1^2 \\ Z_{231} &= x_1 x_2 \\ Z_{213} &= x_1 - 1/2 x_1 x_2 - x_1^2 \\ Z_{132} &= x_1 + x_2 - x_1 x_2 - 1/2 x_1^2 \\ Z_{123} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

In general, one has  $Z_\omega = X_\omega$ ,  $Z_\mu = X_\mu + (\text{terms of degree } > \ell(\mu))$ , and  $Z_{id} = 1$ , the last identity being due to the fact that  $\square_\omega(Z_\omega)$  is symmetrical with term of lowest degree  $X_{id} = 1$ .

EXAMPLE 4.3. For  $n = 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{321} &= X_{321} \\ Z_{312} &= X_{312} \\ Z_{231} &= X_{231} \\ Z_{213} &= X_{213} - 1/2 X_{231} - X_{312} \\ Z_{132} &= X_{132} - X_{231} - 1/2 X_{312} \\ Z_{123} &= X_{123} \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 4.4. *The polynomials  $Z_\mu$ ,  $\mu \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ , form a basis of  $\mathcal{H}_n$ . The quadratic form  $(, )$  is positive definite, and the adjoint basis of  $\{Z_\mu\}$  is  $\{Z_\mu^\vee\}$  where  $Z_\mu^\vee = \Pi(\nabla_{\mu^{-1}\omega} X_\omega)$ .*

Proof.  $Z_\mu$  is a non-homogeneous polynomial with the Schubert polynomial  $X_\mu$  as its term of smallest degree. Since the classes of the Schubert polynomials form a basis of  $H^*(\mathcal{F})$ , the same is true for the  $Z_\mu$ .

The polynomials  $Z_\omega^\vee Z_\mu \theta$  (for  $\mu \neq id$ ) have no component of degree  $\ell(\omega)$ . Therefore, their images under  $\partial_\omega$  are symmetric polynomials without constant term, which proves that for all  $\mu \neq id$ ,  $(Z_\omega^\vee, Z_\mu) = 0$ . On the other hand,

$$(Z_\omega^\vee, Z_{12\dots n}) = (Z_\omega^\vee, 1) = \partial_\omega (X_\omega \theta)|_0 = \partial_\omega ((X_\omega \theta)|_{\ell(\omega)}) = \partial_\omega X_\omega = X_{12\dots n} = 1.$$

For the general case of a  $Z_\nu^\vee$ , one uses induction on the length of  $\nu$ . Let  $\nu$  and  $i$  be such that  $\ell(\nu\sigma_i) < \ell(\nu)$ . Then, for any  $\mu$  and an appropriate constant  $k$

$$(Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee) = (Z_\mu, (s_i - k)Z_\nu^\vee) = ((s_i - k)Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee) = k'(Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee) + k''(Z_{\mu\sigma_i}, Z_\nu^\vee)$$

(for some other scalars  $k', k''$ ). By induction, one can suppose  $(Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee) = 0$  for  $\mu\nu^{-1} \neq \omega$ .

One is thus reduced to study the case

$$\mu\sigma_i\nu^{-1} = \omega, \quad \ell(\mu\sigma_i) > \ell(\mu).$$

In that case,

$$Z_{\mu\sigma_i} = \left(s_i + \frac{1}{r}\right) Z_\mu \quad \text{and} \quad Z_{\mu\sigma_i}^\vee = \left(s_i - \frac{1}{r}\right) Z_\mu^\vee$$

for a certain integer  $r$ . Then, we check

$$(Z_{\mu\sigma_i}, Z_{\nu\sigma_i}^\vee) = \left( \left(s_i + \frac{1}{r}\right) Z_\mu, \left(s_i - \frac{1}{r}\right) Z_\mu^\vee \right) = \left( \left(s_i^2 - \frac{1}{r^2}\right) Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee \right) = 0,$$

and

$$(Z_\mu, Z_{\nu\sigma_i}^\vee) = \left( \left( s_i + \frac{1}{r} - \frac{2}{r} \right) Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee \right) = (Z_{\mu\sigma_i}, Z_\nu^\vee) - \frac{2}{r} (Z_\mu, Z_\nu^\vee) = 1 - 0. \blacksquare$$

EXAMPLE 4.5. Again for  $n = 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{321}^\vee &= x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{312}^\vee &= x_1^2 - 2x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{231}^\vee &= x_1 x_2 - 2x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{213}^\vee &= x_1 - 3/2 x_1 x_2 - 3x_1^2 + 3x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{132}^\vee &= x_1 + x_2 - 3x_1 x_2 - 3/2 x_1^2 + 3x_1^2 x_2 \\ Z_{123}^\vee &= 1 - 4x_1 - 2x_2 + 6x_1 x_2 + 6x_1^2 - 6x_1^2 x_2 \end{aligned}$$

**5. Change of basis.** The operators  $\partial_i$  are self-adjoint with respect to  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , but  $\sigma_i$  is adjoint to  $-\sigma_i$ . This implies that  $-s_i$  is adjoint to  $\bar{s}_i := \sigma_i - \partial_i$ .

Let us define  $\bar{\square}_\mu, \bar{\nabla}_\mu$  to be the images of  $\square_\mu$  and  $\nabla_\mu$  under the replacement  $s_i \mapsto \bar{s}_i$ . We also define

$$\bar{Z}_\mu := (-1)^{\ell(\omega\mu)} \Pi(\bar{\square}_{\mu^{-1}\omega} Z_\omega), \quad \bar{Z}_\mu^\vee := (-1)^{\ell(\omega\mu)} \Pi(\bar{\nabla}_{\mu^{-1}\omega} Z_\omega).$$

Then,  $(-1)^{\ell(\mu)} \bar{Z}_\mu$  is obtained from  $Z_\mu$  under the transformation  $x_i \mapsto -x_i$ , since signs in the expansion of  $Z_\mu$  correspond to the degree.

LEMMA 5.1.  $\{\bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}\}$  is the adjoint basis of  $\{Z_\mu\}$  with respect to  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , i.e. one has  $\langle \bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}, Z_\mu \rangle = 1$  and  $\langle \bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}, Z_\nu \rangle = 0$  for  $\nu \neq \mu$ .

Similarly,  $\{\bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}^\vee\}$  is the adjoint basis of  $\{Z_\mu^\vee\}$  for  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

PROOF. As in Section 4, the lemma is proved by induction on the length of  $\mu$ , starting from the case

$$\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, \bar{Z}_\omega \rangle = 0 \text{ if } \mu \neq \omega.$$

Take  $i$  such that  $\ell(\mu\sigma_i) > \ell(\mu)$ . Then,

$$\langle Z_{\omega\mu\sigma_i}, \bar{Z}_\nu \rangle = \left\langle \left( s_i + \frac{1}{r} \right) Z_{\omega\mu}, \bar{Z}_\nu \right\rangle = \left\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, \left( -\bar{s}_i + \frac{1}{r} \right) \bar{Z}_\nu \right\rangle.$$

Since  $(-\bar{s}_i + \frac{1}{r}) \bar{Z}_\nu$  is a linear combination of  $\bar{Z}_\nu$  and  $\bar{Z}_{\nu\sigma_i}$ , the nullity of the scalar products  $\langle Z_{\omega\mu\sigma_i}, \bar{Z}_\nu \rangle$  follows from those of  $\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, Z_\nu \rangle$  for  $\nu \neq \mu$  and  $\nu \neq \mu\sigma_i$ . In the special case  $\nu = \mu\sigma_i$ , one has

$$\langle Z_{\omega\mu\sigma_i}, \bar{Z}_\mu \rangle = \left\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, \left( -\bar{s}_i + \frac{1}{r} \right) \left( -\bar{s}_i - \frac{1}{r} \right) Z_{\mu\sigma_i} \right\rangle = \left\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, \left( 1 - \frac{1}{r^2} \right) Z_{\mu\sigma_i} \right\rangle$$

which is null.  $\blacksquare$

EXAMPLE 5.2.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Z_{23514}, \bar{Z}_{41352} \rangle &= \left\langle \left( s_2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) Z_{25314}, \left( -\bar{s}_2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \bar{Z}_{43152} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \left( s_2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( s_2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) Z_{25314}, \bar{Z}_{43152} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \left( 1 - \frac{1}{4} \right) Z_{25314}, \bar{Z}_{43152} \right\rangle = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\{A_\mu\}$  and  $\{B_\nu\}$  be two bases of  $\mathcal{H}_n$ . We denote by  $M(A, B)$  the transition matrix from the basis  $\{A_\mu\}$  to the basis  $\{B_\nu\}$ , with the convention

$$A_\mu = \sum_{\nu} M(A, B)_{\mu\nu} B_\nu. \quad (13)$$

For example,  $M(Z, X)_{\mu\nu} = \langle Z_\mu, X_{\omega\nu} \rangle$  and  $M(X, Z)_{\mu\nu} = \langle X_\mu, Z_{\omega\nu}^\vee \rangle$ . These matrices have a symmetry property, thanks to the following property of the scalar product:

$$\langle \omega P, \omega Q \rangle = (-1)^{\ell(\omega)} \langle P, Q \rangle. \quad (14)$$

Indeed, taking into account the two identities

$$\omega(X_\mu) = (-1)^{\ell(\mu)} X_{\omega\mu}, \quad \omega(Z_\mu) = (-1)^{\ell(\mu)} \bar{Z}_{\omega\mu} \quad (15)$$

we see that the four matrices

$$M(Z, X), \quad M(X, Z), \quad M(Z^\vee, X) \quad \text{and} \quad M(X, Z^\vee)$$

possess the symmetry

$$M_{\mu\nu} = M_{\omega\mu\omega, \omega\nu\omega}. \quad (16)$$

Furthermore, we have the following relation between these matrices and their inverses:

**THEOREM 5.3.** *The inverse of  $M(Z, X)$  is a matrix with nonnegative entries, given by*

$$M(X, Z)_{\mu\nu} = |M(Z, X)_{\nu\omega, \mu\omega}|.$$

Similarly,

$$M(X, Z^\vee)_{\mu\nu} = |M(Z^\vee, X)_{\nu\omega, \mu\omega}|,$$

where  $|\cdot|$  denotes the absolute value.

*Proof.* The first matrix corresponds to the expansions

$$Z_\mu = \sum_{\nu} \langle Z_\mu, X_{\omega\nu} \rangle X_\nu.$$

The inverse formulas are, according to Lemma 5.1,

$$X_\nu = \sum_{\mu} \langle \bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}, X_\nu \rangle Z_\mu.$$

But now,  $\langle \bar{Z}_{\omega\mu}, X_\nu \rangle = |\langle Z_{\omega\mu}, X_\nu \rangle|$ , whence the first part of the theorem follows. The proof of the second part is similar. ■

Thus, the inverse of the matrix  $M(Z, X)$  is obtained from  $M(Z, X)$  by reflection through the antidiagonal  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow (\omega\nu, \omega\mu)$  and suppression of the signs.

**COROLLARY 5.4.** *For any pair of permutations,*

$$(X_\mu, Z_\eta^\vee) = |\langle X_{\omega\mu\omega}, Z_{\omega\eta\omega} \rangle|$$

and

$$(X_\mu, Z_\eta) = |\langle X_{\omega\mu\omega}, Z_{\omega\eta\omega}^\vee \rangle|.$$

Indeed,

$$X_\mu = \sum_{\eta} (X_\mu, Z_\eta^\vee) Z_{\omega\eta}$$

but we have just seen that the coefficients of the expansion of  $X_\mu$  in the basis  $Z_{\omega\eta}$  are the  $\langle \bar{Z}_\eta, X_\mu \rangle$ . ■

**6. Schubert expansions of Chern classes.** Let  $|I|$  be a composition of  $n$ , i.e.  $I \in \mathbb{N}^r$  with  $|I| := i_1 + \dots + i_r = n$ , and let  $J_1, \dots, J_r$  be the associated decomposition of the interval  $[1, n]$ , that is

$$J_1 = [1, i_1], \quad J_2 = [i_1 + 1, i_1 + i_2], \quad \dots, \quad J_r = [i_1 + \dots + i_{r-1} + 1, n].$$

Let  $\mathcal{F}_I$  be the variety of flags

$$V_0 = \{0\} \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \dots \subset V_r = V$$

such that  $\dim V_k = i_1 + \dots + i_k$ . Let also  $\mathfrak{S}_I$  denote the Young subgroup

$$\mathfrak{S}(J_1) \times \mathfrak{S}(J_2) \times \dots \times \mathfrak{S}(J_r) \subset \mathfrak{S}_n$$

associated to the composition  $I$ . The Chern class  $\theta^I$  of the tangent bundle of  $\mathcal{F}_I$  is the maximal  $\mathfrak{S}_I$ -invariant factor of  $\theta$ :

$$\theta^I = \theta / (\theta_{J_1} \theta_{J_2} \dots \theta_{J_r})$$

where

$$\theta_{J_k} = \prod_{\substack{i < j \\ i, j \in J_k}} (1 + x_i - x_j).$$

A basis of the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathcal{F}_I)$  is the set of Schubert polynomials  $X_\mu$  with  $\mu$  minimal in its right coset  $\mu \mathfrak{S}_I$ . In other words, one restricts the Schubert basis ( $X_\mu$ ) to those  $\mu$  such that  $\mu_1 < \dots < \mu_{i_1}, \mu_{i_1+1} < \dots < \mu_{i_1+i_2}, \dots, \mu_{i_1+\dots+i_{r-1}+1} < \dots < \mu_n$ . Since  $\mu_i < \mu_{i+1}$  iff  $X_\mu$  is symmetrical in  $x_i$  and  $x_{i+1}$ , the Schubert basis of  $H^*(\mathcal{F}_I)$  consists of those Schubert polynomials which are invariant under  $\mathfrak{S}_I$ .

Define the *Chern coefficient*  $c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_I]$  of the variety  $\mathcal{F}_I$  as the coefficient of (the class) of  $X_\mu$  in the expansion of  $\theta^I$  on the Schubert basis of  $H^*(\mathcal{F}_I)$ . In other words,

$$c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_I] = \langle \theta^I, X_{\omega\mu} \rangle. \quad (17)$$

As in the case of the full flag variety  $\mathcal{F}$ , these scalar products can be computed with the help of the scalar product  $(\ , \ )$ .

Let  $\omega_I$  be the maximal element of  $\mathfrak{S}_I$ , and  $\zeta_I := \omega_I \omega$ . We have seen that

$$\square_\omega = \partial_\omega \theta = \partial_{\zeta_I} \partial_{\omega_I} \theta^I \theta_{J_1} \theta_{J_2} \dots \theta_{J_r}.$$

The operator  $\partial_\omega$  factorizes

$$\partial_\omega = \partial_{\zeta_i} \partial_{\omega_I}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_I] &= \partial_\omega (\theta^I X_{\omega\mu}) \\ &= \partial_{\zeta_i} \partial_{\omega_i} (\theta^I X_{\omega\mu}) = \partial_{\zeta_i} (\theta^I \partial_{\omega_i} X_{\omega\mu}) \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$= \partial_{\zeta_i} (\theta^I X_{\omega\mu\omega_I}) = \partial_{\zeta_i} (\theta^I X_{\omega\mu\omega_I}) (\partial_{\omega_I} \theta_{J_1} \theta_{J_2} \dots \theta_{J_r} / I!) \quad (19)$$

$$= \frac{1}{I!} \partial_\omega (\theta X_{\omega\mu\omega_I}) \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{1}{I!} (1, X_{\omega\mu\omega_I})$$

Equality (18) follows from the fact that  $\theta^I$  is invariant under  $\mathfrak{S}_I$  and thus commutes with  $\partial_{\omega_I}$ . Now,  $\theta$  is of degree  $\binom{n}{2}$ , and  $\partial_\omega$  decreases degrees by  $\ell(\omega) = \binom{n}{2}$ . Thus  $\partial_\omega(\theta)$



is a scalar which is checked to be  $n!$ . More generally, by direct product, one has for the maximal element of the Young subgroup  $\mathfrak{S}_I$

$$\partial_{\omega_I} \theta_{J_1} \cdots \theta_{J_r} = I! := i_1! \cdots i_r!$$

and equality (19) follows from this identity.

Since  $\theta^I$  as well as  $X_{\omega\mu\omega_I}$  are invariant under  $\mathfrak{S}_I$ , they commute with  $\partial_{\omega_I}$ , which is step (20).

Summarizing, we have the following expression for the components of the Chern class of  $\mathcal{F}_I$  on the Schubert basis.

**THEOREM 6.1.** *Let  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_r)$  be a composition of  $n$ ,  $\mathfrak{S}_I$  and  $\mathcal{F}_I$  the corresponding Young subgroup and flag variety. Let  $\mu$  be a permutation which is minimum in its coset  $\mu\mathfrak{S}_I$ . Then, the Chern coefficient  $c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_I]$  is given by*

$$c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_I] = (1, X_{\omega\mu\omega_I})/I!.$$

In particular, for the full flag variety (case  $I = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$ ), one has

$$c_\mu[\mathcal{F}] = (1, X_{\omega\mu}) = \square_\omega(X_{\omega\mu}) \tag{21}$$

and these numbers constitute the first column of the matrix  $M(X, Z^\vee)$ . Equivalently, they are equal to the absolute values of the entries of the last row of  $M(Z^\vee, X)$ .

In the case of a Grassmann manifold  $G(p, p+q) = \mathcal{F}_{(p,q)}$ , the basis of  $H^*(\mathcal{F}_{(p,q)})$  consists of those  $X_\mu$  for which  $\mu_1 < \dots < \mu_p$  and  $\mu_{p+1} < \dots < \mu_{p+q}$  (Grassmannian permutations). In fact, for such a permutation,  $X_\mu$  is equal to the Schur function indexed by the partition  $(\mu_1 - 1, \mu_2 - 2, \dots, \mu_p - p)$  on the set of variables  $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$ . Thus, the Chern coefficient  $c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_{(p,q)}]$  is

$$c_\mu[\mathcal{F}_{(p,q)}] = \square_\omega \left( X_{(n+1-\mu_p, \dots, n+1-\mu_1, n+1-\mu_n, \dots, n+1-\mu_{p+1})} \right). \tag{22}$$

For example, up to a factor  $(2!)^2$ , the Chern coefficients of  $\mathcal{F}_{(2,2)}$  are 4, 16, 28, 28, 48, 24. They are given by the absolute values of the six entries of the bottom row of the matrix  $M(Z^\vee, X)$  corresponding to columns indexed by permutations  $\omega\mu$  where  $\mu$  is Grassmannian.

## 7. Tables for $n = 4$ .

### 7.1. Affine Schubert polynomials.

$$Z_{4321} = x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3$$

$$Z_{4312} = x_1^3 x_2^2$$

$$Z_{4231} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3$$

$$Z_{4213} = x_1^3 x_2 - 1/2 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - x_1^3 x_2^2$$

$$Z_{4132} = x_1^3 x_3 + x_1^3 x_2 - x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^3 x_2^2$$

$$Z_{4123} = x_1^3$$

$$Z_{3421} = x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3$$

$$Z_{3412} = x_1^2 x_2^2$$

$$Z_{3241} = x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - x_1^3 x_2 x_3$$

$$Z_{3214} = x_1^2 x_2 - 2/3 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 + 1/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 2 x_1^3 x_2 + 2/3 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + x_1^3 x_2^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{3142} &= x_1^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 - x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 2/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 - x_1^3 x_3 - x_1^3 x_2 \\
Z_{3124} &= x_1^2 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 + 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 2 x_1^3 + 1/2 x_1^3 x_3 + 1/2 x_1^3 x_2 \\
Z_{2431} &= x_1 x_2^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 \\
Z_{2413} &= x_1 x_2^2 - 1/2 x_1 x_2^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 2 x_1^2 x_2^2 + 1/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^3 x_2 + \\
&\quad 1/4 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 1/2 x_1^3 x_2^2 \\
Z_{2341} &= x_1 x_2 x_3 \\
Z_{2314} &= x_1 x_2 - 2/3 x_1 x_2 x_3 - x_1 x_2^2 - x_1^2 x_2 \\
Z_{2143} &= x_1 x_3 + x_1 x_2 - 3/2 x_1 x_2 x_3 - 2/3 x_1 x_2^2 + 1/3 x_1 x_2^2 x_3 + x_1^2 - 2 x_1^2 x_3 - \\
&\quad 8/3 x_1^2 x_2 + 7/3 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 + 4/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 - 1/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^3 + 2 x_1^3 x_3 + \\
&\quad 7/3 x_1^3 x_2 - 2/3 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 1/3 x_1^3 x_2^2 \\
Z_{2134} &= x_1 - 1/2 x_1 x_2 + 1/2 x_1 x_2^2 - x_1^2 + 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 + x_1^3 \\
Z_{1432} &= x_2^2 x_3 + x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_1 x_2^2 - 2 x_1 x_2^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 - 2 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 + \\
&\quad x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 2/3 x_1^3 x_3 - 2/3 x_1^3 x_2 + 2/3 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 1/3 x_1^3 x_2^2 \\
Z_{1423} &= x_2^2 + x_1 x_2 - x_1 x_2^2 + x_1^2 - x_1^2 x_2 - 2/3 x_1^3 \\
Z_{1342} &= x_2 x_3 + x_1 x_3 + x_1 x_2 - 2 x_1 x_2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 + 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 + \\
&\quad 1/2 x_1^3 x_3 + 1/2 x_1^3 x_2 \\
Z_{1324} &= x_2 - 1/2 x_2 x_3 - x_2^2 + x_1 - 1/2 x_1 x_3 - 5/2 x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_2 x_3 + 2 x_1 x_2^2 - 3/2 x_1^2 + \\
&\quad 1/4 x_1^2 x_3 + 9/4 x_1^2 x_2 - 1/4 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 1/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 + x_1^3 - 1/4 x_1^3 x_3 - 1/4 x_1^3 x_2 \\
Z_{1243} &= x_3 + x_2 - x_2 x_3 - 1/2 x_2^2 + x_1 - x_1 x_3 - 3/2 x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_2 x_3 + 1/2 x_1 x_2^2 - \\
&\quad 1/2 x_1^2 + 1/2 x_1^2 x_2 \\
Z_{1234} &= 1
\end{aligned}$$

## 7.2. Adjoint polynomials.

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{4321}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{4312}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 x_2^2 - 2 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{4231}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 2 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{4213}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 x_2 - 3/2 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 3 x_1^3 x_2^2 + 3 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{4132}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 x_3 + x_1^3 x_2 - 3 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^3 x_2^2 + 3 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{4123}^{\vee} &= x_1^3 - 2 x_1^3 x_3 - 4 x_1^3 x_2 + 6 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 6 x_1^3 x_2^2 - 6 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3421}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 2 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3412}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 x_2^2 - 2 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 2 x_1^3 x_2^2 + 4 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3241}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 3 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 3 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3214}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 x_2 - 4/3 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 5/2 x_1^2 x_2^2 + 2 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 4 x_1^3 x_2 + 4 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 6 x_1^3 x_2^2 - \\
&\quad 4 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3142}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 - 3 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 4/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 + 8/3 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 3 x_1^3 x_3 - 3 x_1^3 x_2 + \\
&\quad 8 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 8/3 x_1^3 x_2^2 - 16/3 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{3124}^{\vee} &= x_1^2 - 3/2 x_1^2 x_3 - 7/2 x_1^2 x_2 + 9/2 x_1^2 x_2 x_3 + 5 x_1^2 x_2^2 - 4 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 4 x_1^3 + \\
&\quad 9/2 x_1^3 x_3 + 25/2 x_1^3 x_2 - 12 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 - 12 x_1^3 x_2^2 + 8 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3 \\
Z_{2431}^{\vee} &= x_1 x_2^2 x_3 + x_1^2 x_2 x_3 - 3 x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3 - 3/2 x_1^3 x_2 x_3 + 3 x_1^3 x_2^2 x_3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{2413}^\vee &= x_1x_2^2 - 3/2 x_1x_2^2x_3 + x_1^2x_2 - 3/2 x_1^2x_2x_3 - 4 x_1^2x_2^2 + 9/2 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 - 3/2 x_1^3x_2 + \\
&\quad 9/4 x_1^3x_2x_3 + 9/2 x_1^3x_2^2 - 9/2 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{2341}^\vee &= x_1x_2x_3 - 2 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 4 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 6 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 6 x_1^3x_2x_3 - 6 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{2314}^\vee &= x_1x_2 - 4/3 x_1x_2x_3 - 3 x_1x_2^2 + 8/3 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 5 x_1^2x_2 + 16/3 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 10 x_1^2x_2^2 - \\
&\quad 8 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 8 x_1^3x_2 - 8 x_1^3x_2x_3 - 12 x_1^3x_2^2 + 8 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{2143}^\vee &= x_1x_3 + x_1x_2 - 5/2 x_1x_2x_3 - 4/3 x_1x_2^2 + 2 x_1x_2^2x_3 + x_1^2 - 4 x_1^2x_3 - 16/3 x_1^2x_2 + \\
&\quad 9 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 16/3 x_1^2x_2^2 - 6 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 - 5/2 x_1^3 + 7 x_1^3x_3 + 9 x_1^3x_2 - 12 x_1^3x_2x_3 - \\
&\quad 6 x_1^3x_2^2 + 6 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{2134}^\vee &= x_1 - 2 x_1x_3 - 7/2 x_1x_2 + 5 x_1x_2x_3 + 9/2 x_1x_2^2 - 4 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 5 x_1^2 + 8 x_1^2x_3 + \\
&\quad 31/2 x_1^2x_2 - 18 x_1^2x_2x_3 - 15 x_1^2x_2^2 + 12 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 11 x_1^3 - 14 x_1^3x_3 - 26 x_1^3x_2 + \\
&\quad 24 x_1^3x_2x_3 + 18 x_1^3x_2^2 - 12 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1432}^\vee &= x_2^2x_3 + x_1x_2x_3 + x_1x_2^2 - 4 x_1x_2^2x_3 + x_1^2x_3 + x_1^2x_2 - 4 x_1^2x_2x_3 - 5/2 x_1^2x_2^2 + \\
&\quad 6 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 - 4/3 x_1^3x_3 - 4/3 x_1^3x_2 + 4 x_1^3x_2x_3 + 2 x_1^3x_2^2 - 4 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1423}^\vee &= x_2^2 - 2 x_2^2x_3 + x_1x_2 - 2 x_1x_2x_3 - 5 x_1x_2^2 + 8 x_1x_2^2x_3 + x_1^2 - 2 x_1^2x_3 - \\
&\quad 5 x_1^2x_2 + 8 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 10 x_1^2x_2^2 - 12 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 - 4/3 x_1^3 + 8/3 x_1^3x_3 + 16/3 x_1^3x_2 - \\
&\quad 8 x_1^3x_2x_3 - 8 x_1^3x_2^2 + 8 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1342}^\vee &= x_2x_3 - 2 x_2^2x_3 + x_1x_3 + x_1x_2 - 6 x_1x_2x_3 - 2 x_1x_2^2 + 8 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 7/2 x_1^2x_3 - \\
&\quad 7/2 x_1^2x_2 + 25/2 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 5 x_1^2x_2^2 - 12 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 9/2 x_1^3x_3 + 9/2 x_1^3x_2 - \\
&\quad 12 x_1^3x_2x_3 - 4 x_1^3x_2^2 + 8 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1324}^\vee &= x_2 - 3/2 x_2x_3 - 3 x_2^2 + 3 x_2^2x_3 + x_1 - 3/2 x_1x_3 - 15/2 x_1x_2 + 9 x_1x_2x_3 + \\
&\quad 13 x_1x_2^2 - 12 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 9/2 x_1^2 + 21/4 x_1^2x_3 + 73/4 x_1^2x_2 - 75/4 x_1^2x_2x_3 - 22 x_1^2x_2^2 + \\
&\quad 18 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 6 x_1^3 - 27/4 x_1^3x_3 - 75/4 x_1^3x_2 + 18 x_1^3x_2x_3 + 18 x_1^3x_2^2 - 12 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1243}^\vee &= x_3 + x_2 - 3 x_2x_3 - 3/2 x_2^2 + 3 x_2^2x_3 + x_1 - 5 x_1x_3 - 13/2 x_1x_2 + 14 x_1x_2x_3 + \\
&\quad 15/2 x_1x_2^2 - 12 x_1x_2^2x_3 - 7/2 x_1^2 + 11 x_1^2x_3 + 31/2 x_1^2x_2 - 26 x_1^2x_2x_3 - 15 x_1^2x_2^2 + \\
&\quad 18 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 + 5 x_1^3 - 14 x_1^3x_3 - 18 x_1^3x_2 + 24 x_1^3x_2x_3 + 12 x_1^3x_2^2 - 12 x_1^3x_2^2x_3 \\
Z_{1234}^\vee &= 1 - 2 x_3 - 4 x_2 + 6 x_2x_3 + 6 x_2^2 - 6 x_2^2x_3 - 6 x_1 + 10 x_1x_3 + 22 x_1x_2 - 28 x_1x_2x_3 - \\
&\quad 26 x_1x_2^2 + 24 x_1x_2^2x_3 + 16 x_1^2 - 22 x_1^2x_3 - 48 x_1^2x_2 + 52 x_1^2x_2x_3 + 44 x_1^2x_2^2 - \\
&\quad 36 x_1^2x_2^2x_3 - 22 x_1^3 + 28 x_1^3x_3 + 52 x_1^3x_2 - 48 x_1^3x_2x_3 - 36 x_1^3x_2^2 + 24 x_1^3x_2^2x_3
\end{aligned}$$

7.3. *Transition matrices with Schubert polynomials.* The following matrices give the decompositions of the polynomials  $Z_\mu$  and  $Z_\mu^\vee$  in the basis of Schubert polynomials. Rows and columns are indexed by permutations in reverse lexicographic order:

$$\begin{aligned}
&[4321, 4312, 4231, 4213, 4132, 4123, 3421, 3412, 3241, 3214, 3142, 3124, \\
&2431, 2413, 2341, 2314, 2143, 2134, 1432, 1423, 1342, 1324, 1243, 1234]
\end{aligned}$$

The bar over a number is to be interpreted as a minus sign.





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