

# Sum/Some formulas for Schur multiple zeta values

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$$\sum \zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \square \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \binom{k-1}{r-1} \zeta(k)$$

$$E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \square \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = 2E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{3}{4}E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) - \frac{7}{4}E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 1 \ 3 \\ \hline 3 \ 1 \\ \hline 1 \ 3 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \in \mathbb{Q}\pi^{16}$$

$$E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \frac{3k-1}{4} \zeta(2k) - \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2)$$

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# Overview

**1**

**Schur multiple zeta values**

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{ccc} & & h \\ & e & f & g \\ b & d & & \\ a & c & & \end{array} \right)$$

**2**

**Sum formulas**

$$\zeta(1, 4) + \zeta(2, 3) + \zeta(3, 2) = \zeta(5)$$

**3 & 4**

**Symmetric & Even  
sum formulas**

$$\zeta(2, 4) + \zeta(4, 2) = \frac{3}{4}\zeta(6)$$

**5**

**1-3 Schur MZV**

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{cccc} & & & 1 \\ & & & 3 \\ & & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 3 & & \end{array} \right) = \frac{2}{4^n} \zeta(4n + 1)$$

## ① Schur MZV - Multiple zeta values

### Definition

For  $k_1, \dots, k_{r-1} \geq 1, k_r \geq 2$  define the **multiple zeta value** (MZV) by

$$\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_r) = \sum_{0 < m_1 < \dots < m_r} \frac{1}{m_1^{k_1} \dots m_r^{k_r}}$$

and the **multiple zeta-star value** (MZSV) by

$$\zeta^\star(k_1, \dots, k_r) = \sum_{0 < m_1 \leq \dots \leq m_r} \frac{1}{m_1^{k_1} \dots m_r^{k_r}}.$$

**weight:**  $k_1 + \dots + k_r$ , **depth:**  $r$ .

**Today:** Introduce a simultaneous generalization of MZV and MZSV, given by Schur MZV, and discuss their sum formulas.

## ① Schur MZV - Partitions

- By a **partition** we denote a tuple  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  with  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq 1$ .
- $|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n$ .
- Its **transpose** is denoted by  $\lambda' = (\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_m)$  and it is defined by transposing the corresponding Young diagram.

### Example

A partition and its transpose visualized by Young diagrams

$$\lambda = (5, 2, 1) = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & & & \\ \hline \square & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\lambda' = (3, 2, 1, 1, 1) = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

## ① Schur MZV - Partitions & Young Tableaux

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  be a partition.

- For another partition  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  we write  $\mu \subset \lambda$  if  $r \leq n$  and  $\mu_j < \lambda_j$  for  $j = 1, \dots, r$ .
- For partitions  $\lambda, \mu$  with  $\mu \subset \lambda$  we define

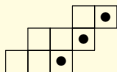
$$D(\lambda/\mu) = \{(i, j) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid 1 \leq i \leq n, \mu_i < j \leq \lambda_i\}.$$

- We denote the set of all **corners** of  $\lambda/\mu$  by  $\text{Cor}(\lambda/\mu) \subset D(\lambda/\mu)$ .

**Example** When  $\lambda/\mu = (5, 4, 3)/(3, 1)$  we have

$$D(\lambda/\mu) = \{(1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\},$$
$$\text{Cor}(\lambda/\mu) = \{(1, 5), (2, 4), (3, 3)\},$$

which we visualize (Corners = ●) in the corresponding Young diagram:



## ① Schur MZV - Partitions & Young Tableaux

- A (skew) **Young tableau**  $\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j})$  of shape  $\lambda/\mu$  is a collection of  $k_{i,j} \in \mathbb{N}$  for all  $(i, j) \in D(\lambda/\mu)$ .

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$$\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j}) = \begin{array}{ccccc} & & & k_{1,4} & k_{1,5} \\ & & & \boxed{k_{2,2}} & \boxed{k_{2,3}} & \boxed{k_{2,4}} \\ & \boxed{k_{3,1}} & \boxed{k_{3,2}} & \boxed{k_{3,3}} & & \end{array} .$$

- A Young tableau  $(m_{i,j})$  is called **semi-standard** if  $m_{i,j} < m_{i+1,j}$  and  $m_{i,j} \leq m_{i,j+1}$  for all  $i$  and  $j$ .
- The set of all Young tableaux and all semi-standard Young tableaux of shape  $\lambda/\mu$  are denoted by  $\text{YT}(\lambda/\mu)$  and  $\text{SSYT}(\lambda/\mu)$ , respectively.

## ① Schur MZV - Definition

A Young tableau  $\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j}) \in \text{YT}(\lambda/\mu)$  is called **admissible** if  $k_{i,j} \geq 2$  for  $(i,j) \in \text{Cor}(\lambda/\mu)$ .

Definition (Yamasaki 2010, Nakasuji-Phuksuwan-Yamasaki 2018)

For an admissible  $\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j}) \in \text{YT}(\lambda/\mu)$  the **Schur multiple zeta value** is defined by

$$\zeta(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{(m_{i,j}) \in \text{SSYT}(\lambda/\mu)} \prod_{(i,j) \in D(\lambda/\mu)} \frac{1}{m_{i,j}^{k_{i,j}}}.$$

These generalize MZV and MZSV in the following way.

$$\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_r) = \zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline k_1 \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline k_r \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta^*(k_1, \dots, k_r) = \zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline k_1 & \cdots & k_r \\ \hline \end{array} \right).$$

## ① Schur MZV - Definition - Examples

**Example 1** For  $a \geq 1$  and  $b, c \geq 2$  we have

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline c & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \sum_{\substack{m_a \leq m_b \\ \wedge \\ m_c}} \frac{1}{m_a^a \cdot m_b^b \cdot m_c^c}.$$

Clearly every Schur MZV is just a linear combination of MZV, e.g.

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline c & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \zeta(a, c, b) + \zeta(a, b, c) + \zeta(a + b, c) + \zeta(a, b + c).$$



# ① Schur MZV - Definition - Examples

## Example 2

For  $a, b, d \geq 1$  and  $c, e, f \geq 2$  we have

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline a & b & c \\ \hline d & e & \\ \hline f & & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \sum_{\substack{m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c \\ \wedge \\ m_d \leq m_e \\ \wedge \\ m_f}} \frac{1}{m_a^a \cdot m_b^b \cdot m_c^c \cdot m_d^d \cdot m_e^e \cdot m_f^f}.$$

## Example 3

For  $b, d \geq 1$  and  $c, e, f \geq 2$  we have

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & b & c \\ \hline d & e & \\ \hline f & & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \sum_{\substack{m_b \leq m_c \\ \wedge \\ m_d \leq m_e \\ \wedge \\ m_f}} \frac{1}{m_b^b \cdot m_c^c \cdot m_d^d \cdot m_e^e \cdot m_f^f}.$$

# ① Schur MZV - Arakawa-Kaneko zeta values & Ohno's identity

In Ohno's talk on monday we saw the following results.

Theorem (Kuba 2010, Yamamoto 2016+)

For  $k_1, \dots, k_{r-1}, m \geq 1, k_r \geq 2$  the Arakawa-Kaneko zeta value can be written as

$$\xi(k_1, \dots, k_{r-1}, k_r - 1; m) = \zeta \left( \underbrace{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & \dots & 1 & k_r \\ \hline \end{array}}_m, \begin{array}{|c|} \hline k_1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right).$$

Ohno's  Identity: For  $a, b \geq 1$  we have

$$\zeta \left( \underbrace{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & \dots & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}}_{a+1}, \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\} b = \zeta \left( \underbrace{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & \dots & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}}_{b+1}, \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\} a.$$

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**Example** The harmonic product formula of MZV is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta(a) \cdot \zeta(b) &= \sum_{m>0} \frac{1}{m^a} \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{n^b} \\ &= \sum_{0<m<n} \frac{1}{m^a n^b} + \sum_{0<n<m} \frac{1}{m^a n^b} + \sum_{m=n>0} \frac{1}{m^{a+b}} \\ &= \zeta(a, b) + \zeta(b, a) + \zeta(a+b).\end{aligned}$$

Using the notion of Schur MZV this can be written as

$$\zeta(\boxed{a}) \zeta(\boxed{b}) = \sum_{0<m\leq n} \frac{1}{m^a n^b} + \sum_{0<n<m} \frac{1}{m^a n^b} = \zeta(\boxed{a \ b}) + \zeta\left(\boxed{\begin{smallmatrix} b \\ a \end{smallmatrix}}\right).$$

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## ① Schur MZV - Products

In general the product of two Schur MZV is always the sum of two Schur MZV.

### Example

$$\zeta\left(\begin{array}{cc} & e \\ b & d \\ a & c \end{array}\right) \zeta\left(\begin{array}{cc} & h \\ f & g \end{array}\right) = \zeta\left(\begin{array}{ccc} & f & h \\ & e & g \\ b & d & \\ a & c & \end{array}\right) + \zeta\left(\begin{array}{cccc} & e & f & h \\ b & d & & g \\ a & c & & \end{array}\right).$$

## ② Sum formulas - Sum formulas for MZ(S)V

Some sum formulas...

For all  $k > r \geq 1$  we have

$$\sum_{\substack{k_1 + \dots + k_r = k \\ k_1, \dots, k_{r-1} \geq 1, k_r \geq 2}} \zeta(k_1, \dots, k_r) = \zeta(k),$$

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For  $k \geq 4$  we have (Kaneko-Tsumura 2019, Kaneko's talk yesterday)

$$\sum_{\substack{a+b+c=k \\ a, b \geq 1, c \geq 2}} T(a, b, c) + \sum_{j=2}^{k-2} T(1, k-1-j, j) = \frac{2}{3} T(2) T(k-2).$$

Key property of a "sum formula"

The number of terms on the right-hand side do not depend on the weight.

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**Good news:** If we take the sum just over all  $k_{i,j} \in \mathcal{N}$  for some subset  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  (symmetric sums), we can do it for all shapes.

## ② Sum formulas - for anti-hooks

Theorem (B.-Kadota-Suzuki-Yamamoto-Yamasaki, 2019+)

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= \binom{k-2}{s} \zeta(k) - \sum_{a=1}^s \binom{k-a-2}{s-a} \zeta(a, k-a) - (-1)^s \sum_{a=s+1}^{r+s-1} \zeta(a, k-a) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{a=2}^s (-1)^a \binom{k-a-2}{s-a} \zeta(a) \zeta(k-a) - \sum_{a=2}^r \binom{k-a-2}{s-1} \zeta(a) \zeta(k-a) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{a=r+1}^{r+s-1} (-1)^{r-a} \binom{k-a-2}{r+s-a-1} \zeta(a) \zeta(k-a).
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For  $k \geq 5$  we have

$$\sum_{\substack{a+b+c+d=k \\ a,b,c \geq 1 \\ d \geq 2}} \zeta \left( \begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix} \right) = (k-4)\zeta(k) - (k-2)\zeta(1, k-1) + (2k-6)\zeta(2, k-2) \\ - 2\zeta(k-3, 3) + (k-2)\zeta(k-2, 2).$$

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - ... because classical sums are **hard**

- In general it is difficult to evaluate sums over all admissible Young tableaux.
- For example: Summing the following over all  $a \geq 1, b, c \geq 2$  with  $a + b + c = k$

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**Easier:** Evaluate symmetric sums of the form

$$\sum_{a, b, c \in \mathcal{N}} \zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline c & \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

for some  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ .

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - Symmetric sums

- For a subset  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  we define

$$\text{YT}(\lambda, \mathcal{N}) = \{(k_{i,j}) \in \text{YT}(\lambda) \mid k_{i,j} \in \mathcal{N}\}$$

- The generating series for sums of Schur multiple zeta values with entries in  $\mathcal{N}$  by

$$G_{\mathcal{N}}(\lambda, X) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \text{YT}(\lambda, \mathcal{N})} \zeta(\mathbf{k}) X^{\text{wt}(\mathbf{k})} \in \mathcal{Z}[[X]] .$$

The coefficient of  $X^k$  in these generating series are examples of "symmetric sums".

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - Symmetric functions

- Let  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{Q}[[x_1, x_2, \dots]]$  be the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra of **symmetric functions**.
- For a partition  $\lambda$  let  $s_\lambda$  be the **Schur function** defined by

$$s_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \sum_{(m_{i,j}) \in \text{SSYT}(\lambda)} \prod_{(i,j) \in D(\lambda)} x_{m_{i,j}}.$$

- The  $s_\lambda$  form a basis of  $\Lambda$ .

- Notation:  $(1^r) = (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_r) = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}.$

- For  $r \geq 1$  let  $e_r = s_{(1^r)}$  be the **elementary symmetric functions**.

$$e_r = s_{(1^r)} = s_{\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}} = \sum_{0 < m_1 < \dots < m_r} x_{m_1} \dots x_{m_r}.$$

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - the map $\phi_{\mathcal{N}}$

#### Lemma

For any subset  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  the linear map  $\phi_{\mathcal{N}}$ , defined by  $\phi_{\mathcal{N}}(1) = 1$  and on the generators by

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\mathcal{N}} : \Lambda &\longrightarrow \mathcal{Z}[[X]] \\ s_{\lambda} &\longmapsto G_{\mathcal{N}}(\lambda, X)\end{aligned}$$

is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra homomorphism.

**Proof sketch:** Make a change of variables

$$x_m \mapsto \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}} \frac{X^k}{m^k}.$$

This Lemma allows us to use linear & algebraic relations among  $s_{\lambda}$  to evaluate the  $G_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - Jacobi-Trudi formula

#### Proposition (Jacobi-Trudi formula)

For a partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  with transpose  $\lambda' = (\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_m)$  we have

$$s_\lambda = \det(e_{\lambda'_i - i + j})_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}.$$

#### Example

$$s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}} = \det \begin{pmatrix} e_2 & e_3 \\ e_1 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} = e_2^2 - e_1 e_3 = s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}}^2 - s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \end{smallmatrix}} s_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}}.$$

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For any subset  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  and a partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  with transpose  $\lambda' = (\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_m)$  we have

$$G_{\mathcal{N}}(\lambda, X) = \det(Z_{\mathcal{N}}(\lambda'_i - i + j, X))_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}.$$

Using Hoffmans symmetric sum formulas (appearing in his talk yesterday) we get

#### Corollary

For any subset  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  we have

$$G_{\mathcal{N}}(\lambda, X) \in \mathbb{Q}[\zeta(2), \zeta(3), \zeta(4), \dots][[X]].$$

### ③ Symmetric sum formulas - for $\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}$

#### Example

$$G_{\mathcal{N}}(\boxplus, X) = Z_{\mathcal{N}}(2, X)^2 - Z_{\mathcal{N}}(1, X)Z_{\mathcal{N}}(3, X).$$

Considering the coefficient of  $X^k$  gives the following sum formula for all  $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{a,b,c,d \in \mathcal{N} \\ a+b+c+d=k}} \zeta\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix}\right) &= \sum_{\substack{m+n=k \\ m,n \geq 1}} \left( \sum_{\substack{m_1+m_2=m \\ m_1, m_2 \in \mathcal{N}}} \zeta(m_1, m_2) \right) \left( \sum_{\substack{n_1+n_2=n \\ n_1, n_2 \in \mathcal{N}}} \zeta(n_1, n_2) \right) \\ &- \sum_{\substack{m+n=k \\ m \in \mathcal{N} \\ n \geq 1}} \zeta(m) \sum_{\substack{n_1+n_2+n_3=n \\ n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathcal{N}}} \zeta(n_1, n_2, n_3). \end{aligned}$$



## ④ Even sum formulas - definition

From now on we consider the case  $\mathcal{N} = \text{ev} := \{2, 4, 6, \dots\}$ .

- A Young tableau  $\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j}) \in \text{YT}(\lambda)$  is called **even**, if all  $k_{i,j}$  are even.

With the notation from before we have

$$G_{\text{ev}}(\lambda, X) = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{k} \in \text{YT}(\lambda) \\ \mathbf{k} \text{ even}}} \zeta(\mathbf{k}) X^{\text{wt}(\mathbf{k})} =: \sum_{k \geq 1} E_{2k}(\lambda) X^{2k}.$$

In the following we are therefore interested in evaluating

$$E_{2k}(\lambda) = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{k} \in \text{YT}(\lambda) \\ \mathbf{k} \text{ even} \\ \text{wt}(\mathbf{k}) = 2k}} \zeta(\mathbf{k}).$$

#### ④ Even sum formulas - for columns $\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$ (MZV)

Theorem (Hoffman 1977, but already presented tomorrow 7 years ago in Hamburg)

For  $k \geq r \geq 1$  we have

$$E_{2k}((1^r)) = \frac{1}{2^{2(r-1)}} \binom{2r-1}{r} \zeta(2k) \\ - \sum_{j=1}^{\lfloor \frac{r-1}{2} \rfloor} \frac{1}{2^{2r-3}(2j+1)B_{2j}} \binom{2r-2j-1}{r} \zeta(2j) \zeta(2k-2j).$$

**Example**

$$E_{2k}(\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}) = \frac{3}{4} \zeta(2k),$$

$$E_{2k}(\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}) = \frac{5}{8} \zeta(2k) - \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2),$$

$$E_{2k}(\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}) = \frac{35}{64} \zeta(2k) - \frac{5}{16} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2),$$

$$E_{2k}(\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}) = \frac{63}{128} \zeta(2k) - \frac{21}{64} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2) + \frac{3}{64} \zeta(4) \zeta(2k-4).$$

#### ④ Even sum formulas - for rows $\square\square\square$ (MZSV)

Lemma (Hoffman, 2017)

For  $k \geq r \geq 1$  have

$$E_{2k}(\square \dots \square) = E_{2k}((r)) = \sum_{j=1}^r \binom{k-j}{r-j} E_{2k}((1^j)).$$

#### Example

$$E_{2k}(\square\square) = \frac{4k-1}{4} \zeta(2k),$$

$$E_{2k}(\square\square\square) = \frac{4k^2-6k+1}{8} \zeta(2k) - \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2),$$

$$E_{2k}(\square\square\square\square) = \frac{32k^3-120k^2+112k-15}{192} \zeta(2k) - \frac{4k-7}{16} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2).$$

#### ④ Even sum formulas - for all shapes

Theorem (B.-Kadota-Suzuki-Yamamoto-Yamasaki, 2019+)

For any partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  there exist unique polynomials

$$p_{\lambda,j}(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x], \quad j = 0, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{|\lambda| - 1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

of degree  $\deg(p_{\lambda,j}) < \min(|\lambda| - 2j, \lambda_1)$ , such that we have for all  $k \geq |\lambda|$

$$E_{2k}(\lambda) = \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{|\lambda|-1}{2} \rfloor} p_{\lambda,j}(k) \zeta(2j) \zeta(2(k-j)).$$

In particular we have  $E_{2k}(\lambda) \in \pi^{2k} \mathbb{Q}$ .

$$(\zeta(0) = -\tfrac{1}{2})$$

#### Remark

The Theorem also holds for skew type young diagrams  $\lambda/\mu$ .

#### ④ Even sum formulas - a few examples

##### Example

$$E_{2k}(\boxplus) = \frac{3k-1}{4}\zeta(2k) - \frac{1}{2}\zeta(2)\zeta(2k-2),$$

$$E_{2k}(\boxplus\boxplus) = -\frac{2k+1}{32}\zeta(2k) + \frac{2k-5}{8}\zeta(2)\zeta(2k-2),$$

$$E_{2k}(\boxplus\boxplus\boxplus) = -\frac{10k+5}{128}\zeta(2k) + \frac{8k-29}{64}\zeta(2)\zeta(2k-2) + \frac{15}{64}\zeta(4)\zeta(2k-4),$$

$$E_{2k}(\boxplus\boxplus\boxplus\boxplus) = -\frac{10k+5}{512}\zeta(2k) - \frac{5k-5}{64}\zeta(2)\zeta(2k-2) + \frac{40k-55}{256}\zeta(4)\zeta(2k-4).$$

#### ④ Even sum formulas - for $\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix}$

**Example** For  $k \geq 9$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{2k} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square \\ \square & \square \end{smallmatrix} \right) = & -\frac{(2k+1)(k+1)}{2^{14}} \zeta(2k) \\ & + \frac{28k^2 - 78k + 35}{2^{13}} \zeta(2) \zeta(2k-2) \\ & + \frac{148k^2 - 798k + 989}{2^{13}} \zeta(4) \zeta(2k-4) \\ & - \frac{196k^2 - 882k + 749}{2^{13}} \zeta(6) \zeta(2k-6) \\ & + \frac{35}{2^{13}} \zeta(8) \zeta(2k-8). \end{aligned}$$

#### ④ Even sum formulas - proof sketch

Hoffman gives an explicit formula for the generating series for  $E_{2k}((1^r))$

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from which we can deduce

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Doing messy calculations with the cotangents and its derivatives yields the result and an explicit construction of the polynomials  $p_{\lambda,j}(x)$ .

#### Remark

One can also prove our Theorem by using a result of Guo-Lei-**Zhao** (2015). In their work they show that one can also write the sum

$$\sum_{m+n=k} m^a n^b \zeta(2m) \zeta(2n)$$

as a sum of  $p_j(k) \zeta(2j) \zeta(2(k-j))$  for some  $p_j(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ .



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**Answer:** There seem to be no relation among  $G_{\text{ev}}(\lambda, X)$  in a fixed depth  $|\lambda|$ , but allowing mixed depth we have for example for all  $k \geq 2$

$$E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{7}{4} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = 2 E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{3}{4} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

and for all  $k \geq 4$

$$E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{1}{2} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{15}{32} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{2} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) + \frac{3}{8} E_{2k} \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \right) .$$

# ④ 1-3-MZV - $\zeta(1, 3, \dots, 1, 3)$

Theorem (Borwein-Bradley-Broadhurst-Lisonek)

For all  $n \geq 1$  we have

$$\zeta(1, 3, \dots, 1, 3) = \zeta(\{1, 3\}^n) = \frac{2\pi^{4n}}{(4n+2)!} = \frac{1}{4^n} \zeta(\{4\}^n).$$

Using the notion of Schur MZV the identity  $\zeta(\{1, 3\}^n) = \frac{1}{4^n} \zeta(\{4\}^n)$  reads

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{4^n} \zeta(\{4\}^n).$$

## ④ 1-3-MZV - 1-3-Stairs Formula

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Theorem (B.-Yamasaki, 2018)

For any  $n \geq 1$  we have

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & 3 & \\ & & & \cdot & \cdot & & \\ & & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & & \\ & 1 & 3 & & & & \end{array} \right) = \frac{2}{4^n} \zeta(4n+1), \quad \zeta \left( \begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 1 & 3 & \\ & & & & & 3 & \\ & & & \cdot & \cdot & & \\ & & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & & \\ & 1 & 3 & & & & \\ & & & 3 & & & \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{4^n} \zeta(4n+3),$$

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where  $n$  is the number of  $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$  and  $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$  respectively.

## ④ 1-3-MZV - 1-3 -Schur MZV

**Consequence of the Theorem:** Every Checkerboard Schur MZV is a polynomial in odd single zetas and  $\pi^4$ .

Theorem (B.-Yamasaki, B.-Charlton)

Schur MZV with alternating entries in 1 and 3 are elements in  $\mathbb{Q}[\pi^4, \zeta(3), \zeta(5), \dots]$ .

- We can give explicit formulas for a lot of shapes as determinants in odd zeta values and powers of  $\pi^4$ .

### Example

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 3 & 1 & 3 \\ \hline 1 & 3 & 1 \\ \hline 3 & 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{32} \begin{vmatrix} \zeta(3) & \frac{\pi^4}{180} & \zeta(7) \\ \frac{\pi^4}{72} & \zeta(5) & \frac{17\pi^8}{90720} \\ \zeta(7) & \frac{13\pi^8}{226800} & \zeta(11) \end{vmatrix}$$



# 1-3 Stair types



odd

$$\frac{2}{4^n} \zeta(4n+1)$$

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{cccc} & & & 1 \\ & & & 3 \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 3 & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 3 & & \end{array} \right)$$

(1,1)-stair

$$\frac{1}{4^n} \zeta(4n+3)$$

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(3,3)-stair

even

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{cccc} & & & 1 \\ & & & 3 \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 3 & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 3 & & \end{array} \right) \in \mathbb{Q}\pi^{4n}$$

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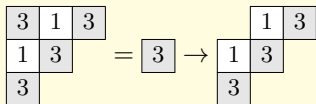
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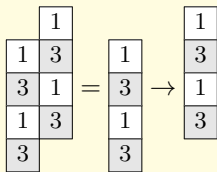
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# Summary

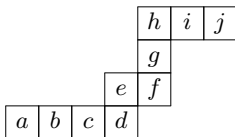
- Schur MZV generalize MZV and MZSV into one object.
- The algebraic structure of Schur MZV is easy to describe.
- We have sum formulas for a few shapes.
- Symmetric & Even sum formulas are known for all shapes.
- In the 1-3-case, one can write Schur MZV in terms of single zeta values.
- There are more results (e.g. Ohno-type relations for certain ribbons).
- There are various further open problems regarding Schur MZV (e.g. integral representation)

**Thank you very much for your attention !**



## ⑥ Bonus - Integral expression

The result of Kaneko-Yamamoto can be generalized to arbitrary **ribbons**.



### Theorem (Nakasuji-Phuksuwan-Yamasaki)

Every Schur MZV of ribbon shape can be written as a Yamamoto 2-poset integral.

### Open question

Can an arbitrary Schur MZV be written as a 2-poset integral?

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline c & d \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \sum_{\substack{m_a \leq m_b \\ \wedge \\ m_c \leq m_d}} \frac{1}{m_a^a \cdot m_b^b \cdot m_c^c \cdot m_d^d} = I \left( \begin{array}{c} ? \end{array} \right).$$

## ⑥ Bonus - Special types of Young tableaux & Regularized MZV

To state the Jacobi-Trudi formula we need the following notations.

- Let  $T^{\text{diag}}(\lambda/\mu)$  be the subset of  $T(\lambda/\mu)$  consisting of all Young tableaux with the **same entries on the diagonal**.

### Example

	2	1	6	8
9	5	2	1	
3	9	5	2	
1	3			
5				

$$\in T^{\text{diag}}((5, 4, 4, 2, 1)/(1)).$$

- Denote for  $k_1, \dots, k_r \geq 1$  by  $\zeta^*(k_1, \dots, k_r)$  the **stuffle regularized multiple zeta value** (with  $\zeta^*(1) = 0$ ).

### Example

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta^*(1) \cdot \zeta^*(2) &= \zeta^*(1, 2) + \zeta^*(2, 1) + \zeta^*(3), \\ \zeta^*(2, 1) &= -\zeta(1, 2) - \zeta(3) = -2\zeta(3).\end{aligned}$$

## ⑥ Bonus - Regularized Jacobi-Trudi formula

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_h)$  and  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  be partitions with  $\mu \subset \lambda$ .

Regularized Jacobi-Trudi formula (Nakasuji-Phuksuwan-Yamasaki, B.-Charlton)

For an admissible Young tableau  $\mathbf{k} = (k_{i,j}) \in T^{\text{diag}}(\lambda/\mu)$  and  $d_{i-j} = k_{i,j}$  we have

$$\zeta(\mathbf{k}) = \det \left( \zeta^*(d_{-\mu'_j+j-1}, d_{-\mu'_j+j-2}, \dots, d_{-\mu'_j+j-(\lambda'_i-\mu'_j-i+j)}) \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq \lambda_1},$$

$$\text{where we set } \zeta^*(\dots) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \lambda'_i - \mu'_j - i + j = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda'_i - \mu'_j - i + j < 0 \end{cases}.$$

## ⑥ Bonus - Jacobi-Trudi formula - Example

### Example

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline d_0 & d_1 & d_2 \\ \hline d_{-1} & d_0 & \\ \hline d_{-2} & & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \begin{vmatrix} \zeta(d_{-2}, d_{-1}, d_0) & \zeta(d_{-2}, \dots, d_1) & \zeta(d_{-2}, \dots, d_2) \\ \zeta(d_0) & \zeta(d_0, d_1) & \zeta(d_0, d_1, d_2) \\ 0 & 1 & \zeta(d_2) \end{vmatrix}$$

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## ⑥ Bonus - Thick stairs for $(a, b) = (1, 3)$

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## ⑥ Bonus - 1-3-Formulas for non-admissible MZV

We also have 1-3-Formulas for the (non-admissible) stuffle regularized MZV:

Theorem (B.-Yamasaki, B.-Charlton)

For  $n \geq 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta^*({1, 3}^n, 1) &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^j \zeta(4j+1) \zeta(\{4\}^{n-j}), \\ \zeta^*({3, 1}^n) &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-3}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n-1 \\ 0 \leq k \leq n-1-j}} (-1)^{j+k} \zeta(4j+1) \zeta(4k+3) \zeta(\{4\}^{n-j-1-k}) \\ &\quad + (-1)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{4^k} \zeta^*(\{4\}^k) \zeta(\{4\}^{n-k}).\end{aligned}$$

## ⑥ Bonus - 1-2-Stairs

We have

$$A_{1,2}(n) = \zeta \left( \begin{array}{cccc} & & & 1 \\ & & & 2 \\ & & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 2 & & & \end{array} \right) = 3\zeta(3n+1)$$

but in general it is

$$B_{1,2}(n) = \zeta \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} & & & 1 & 2 \\ & & & 2 & \\ & & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} \right) \notin \mathbb{Q}[\zeta(k) \mid k \geq 2].$$

Also easy to check:

$$\zeta \left( \begin{array}{cccc} & & & 1 \\ & & & 2 \\ & & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 2 & & & & \end{array} \right) = \zeta^\star(\{3\}^n).$$