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Kraśkiewicz-Pragacz modules and Pieri and dual Pieri rules for Schubert polynomials

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Abstract. In their 1987 paper Kraśkiewicz and Pragacz defined certain modules, which we call KP modules, over the upper triangular Lie algebra whose characters are Schubert polynomials. In a previous work the author showed that the tensor product of Kraśkiewicz-Pragacz modules always has KP filtration, i.e. a filtration whose each successive quotients are isomorphic to KP modules. In this paper we explicitly construct such filtrations for certain special cases of these tensor product modules, namely $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ and $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \Lambda^d(K^i)$, corresponding to Pieri and dual Pieri rules for Schubert polynomials.

Résumé. Dans leur étude en 1987 Kraśkiewicz et Pragacz ont défini certains modules, que nous appelons modules KP, sur les algèbres de Lie des matrices triangulaires supérieures, dont les caractères sont les polynômes de Schubert. Dans une étude récente l’auteur a prouvé que les produits tensoriels de deux modules KP ont des filtrations KP, c’est-à-dire des filtrations dont les quotients successifs sont des modules KP. Dans cet article nous construisons explicitement telles filtrations pour certains cas de ces produits tensoriels, à savoir $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ et $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \Lambda^d(K^i)$, correspondant aux formules de Pieri et de Pieri double pour les polynômes de Schubert.

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1 Introduction

Schubert polynomials are one of the main subjects in algebraic combinatorics. One of the tools for studying Schubert polynomials is the modules introduced by Kraśkiewicz and Pragacz. These modules, which here we call *KP modules*, are modules over the upper triangular Lie algebra and have the property that their characters with respect to the diagonal matrices are Schubert polynomials.

It is known that a product of Schubert polynomials is always a positive sum of Schubert polynomials. The previously known proof of this positivity property uses the geometry of the flag variety. In [Wat15a] the author showed that the tensor product of two KP modules always has a filtration by KP modules and thus gave a representation theoretic proof for this positivity. Although the proof there does not give explicit construction for the KP filtrations, it may provide a new viewpoint for the notorious Schubert-LR problem, i.e. finding a combinatorial positive rule for the coefficient in the expansion of products of Schubert polynomials into a sum of Schubert polynomials.

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There are some cases where the expansions of products of Schubert polynomials are explicitly known. Examples of such cases are the Pieri and the dual Pieri rules for Schubert polynomials conjectured in [BB93] and proved in [Win98] (also appearing with different formulations in [Las82] and [Sot96]). They are the cases where one of the Schubert polynomials is a complete symmetric function $h_d(x_1, \dots, x_i)$ or an elementary symmetric function $e_d(x_1, \dots, x_i)$. The purpose of this paper is to investigate the structure of tensor product modules corresponding to these products and to give an explicit construction of KP filtrations for these modules.

The structure of this paper is as follows. In Section 2 we prepare some definitions and results on Schubert polynomials and KP modules. In Section 3 we review the Pieri and dual Pieri rules for Schubert polynomials. In Section 4 we give an explicit construction for KP filtrations of the corresponding tensor product modules $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ and $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i)$. In Section 5 we sketch the proof of the main result.

2 Preliminary

Let \mathbb{N} be the set of all positive integers. By a *permutation* w we mean a bijection from \mathbb{N} to itself which fixes all but finitely many points. The *graph* of a permutation w is the set $\{(i, w(i)) : i \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{N}^2$. For $i < j$, let t_{ij} denote the permutation which exchanges i and j and fixes all other points. Let $s_i = t_{i, i+1}$. For a permutation w , let $\ell(w) = \#\{i < j : w(i) > w(j)\}$. For a permutation w and $p < q$, if $\ell(wt_{pq}) = \ell(w) + 1$ we write $wt_{pq} \succ w$. It is well known that this condition is equivalent to saying that $w(p) < w(q)$ and there exists no $p < r < q$ satisfying $w(p) < w(r) < w(q)$. For a permutation w let $I(w) = \{(i, j) : i < j, w(i) > w(j)\}$.

For a polynomial $f = f(x_1, x_2, \dots)$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$ define $\partial_i f = \frac{f - s_i f}{x_i - x_{i+1}}$. For a permutation w we can assign its *Schubert polynomial* $\mathfrak{S}_w \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2, \dots]$ which is recursively defined by

- $\mathfrak{S}_w = x_1^{n-1} x_2^{n-2} \cdots x_{n-1}$ if $w(1) = n, w(2) = n - 1, \dots, w(n) = 1$ and $w(i) = i$ ($i > n$), and
- $\mathfrak{S}_{ws_i} = \partial_i \mathfrak{S}_w$ if $\ell(ws_i) < \ell(w)$.

Hereafter let us fix a positive integer n . Let $S^{(n)} = \{w : \text{permutation}, w(n+1) < w(n+2) < \dots\}$. Note that if $w \in S^{(n)}$ then $I(w) \subset \{1, \dots, n\} \times \mathbb{N}$. Let K be a field of characteristic zero. Let $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{b}_n$ denote the Lie algebra of all $n \times n$ upper triangular matrices over K . For a $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{b})$ -module M and $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, let $M_\lambda = \{m \in M : hm = \langle \lambda, h \rangle m \ (\forall h = \text{diag}(h_1, \dots, h_n))\}$ where $\langle \lambda, h \rangle = \sum_i \lambda_i h_i$. If M is a direct sum of these M_λ then we say that M is a *weight module* and we define $\text{ch}(M) = \sum_\lambda \dim M_\lambda x^\lambda$ where $x^\lambda = x_1^{\lambda_1} \cdots x_n^{\lambda_n}$. For $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ let $e_{ij} \in \mathfrak{b}$ be the matrix with 1 at the (i, j) -th position and all other coordinates 0.

Let V be a vector space spanned by a basis $\{u_{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq n, j \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Let $T = \bigwedge^\bullet V$. The Lie algebra \mathfrak{b} acts on V by $e_{pq}u_{ij} = \delta_{iq}u_{pj}$ and thus on T . For $w \in S^{(n)}$ let $u_w = \bigwedge_{(i,j) \in I(w)} u_{ij} \in T$. The *Kraśkiewicz-Pragacz module* \mathcal{S}_w (or the *KP module* for short) associated with w is the \mathfrak{b} -submodule of T generated by u_w . In [KP04] Kraśkiewicz and Pragacz showed the following:

Theorem 2.1 ([KP04, Remark 1.6 and Theorem 4.1]) \mathcal{S}_w is a weight module and $\text{ch}(\mathcal{S}_w) = \mathfrak{S}_w$.

Example 2.2 If $w = s_i$, then $u_w = u_{i, i+1}$ and thus $\mathcal{S}_w = \bigoplus_{1 \leq j \leq i} Ku_{j, i+1} \cong \bigoplus_{1 \leq j \leq i} Ku_j =: K^i$ where \mathfrak{b} acts by $e_{pq}u_j = \delta_{qj}u_p$.

A *KP filtration* of a \mathfrak{b} -module M is a filtration $0 = M_0 \subset \cdots \subset M_r = M$ such that each M_i/M_{i-1} is isomorphic to some KP module.

3 Pieri and dual Pieri rules for Schubert polynomials

Definition 3.1 For $w \in S_\infty$, $i \geq 1$ and $d \geq 0$, let

$$X_{i,d}(w) = \{t_{p_1 q_1} t_{p_2 q_2} \cdots t_{p_d q_d} : p_j \leq i, q_j > i, w_1 \triangleleft w_2 \triangleleft \cdots, w_1(p_1) < w_2(p_2) < \cdots\}$$

and

$$Y_{i,d}(w) = \{t_{p_1 q_1} t_{p_2 q_2} \cdots t_{p_d q_d} : p_j \leq i, q_j > i, w_1 \triangleleft w_2 \triangleleft \cdots, w_1(p_1) > w_2(p_2) > \cdots\}$$

where $w_1 = w, w_2 = wt_{p_1 q_1}, w_3 = wt_{p_1 q_1} t_{p_2 q_2} \cdots$.

Note that the condition above for $X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) also implies $w_1(q_1) < w_2(q_2) < \cdots$ (resp. $w_1(q_1) > w_2(q_2) > \cdots$). Also note that the condition for $X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) implies that q_1, \dots, q_d (resp. p_1, \dots, p_d) are all different.

Theorem 3.2 (conjectured in [BB93] and proved in [Win98]) ⁽ⁱ⁾ We have

$$\mathfrak{S}_w \cdot h_d(x_1, \dots, x_i) = \sum_{\zeta \in X_{i,d}(w)} \mathfrak{S}_{w\zeta}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{S}_w \cdot e_d(x_1, \dots, x_i) = \sum_{\zeta \in Y_{i,d}(w)} \mathfrak{S}_{w\zeta}.$$

where h_d and e_d denote the complete and elementary symmetric functions respectively. □

Note here that the sums above are multiplicity-free: that is, the permutation ζ actually determines uniquely its decomposition into transpositions satisfying the conditions in Definition 3.1. So we can write without ambiguity, for example “for $\zeta = t_{p_1 q_1} \cdots t_{p_d q_d} \in X_{i,d}(w)$ define (something) as (some formula involving p_j and q_j)”. Hereafter if we write such we will always assume the conditions in Definition 3.1.

4 Explicit Pieri and dual Pieri rules for KP modules

The author showed in [Wat15a] that the tensor product of KP modules always has a KP filtration. Since $S^d(K^i)$ and $\Lambda^d(K^i)$ are special cases of KP modules for any $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $d \geq 1$, $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ and $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \Lambda^d(K^i)$ ($w \in S^{(n)}$) have KP filtrations. In this section we give an explicit construction of these filtrations.

For integers $p \leq q$ we define an operator e'_{qp} acting on T as $e'_{qp}(u_{a_1 b_1} \wedge u_{a_2 b_2} \wedge \cdots) = \sum_k (\cdots \wedge \delta_{pb_k} u_{a_k q} \wedge \cdots)$. Let these operators act on $T \otimes S^d(K^i)$ and $T \otimes \Lambda^d(K^i)$ by applying them on the left-hand side tensor component. We also define operators μ_j on $T \otimes \bigotimes^a(K^i) \rightarrow T \otimes \bigotimes^{a-1}(K^i)$ by $u \otimes (v_1 \otimes v_2 \otimes \cdots) \mapsto (t_j(v_1) \wedge u) \otimes (v_2 \otimes v_3 \otimes \cdots)$ where $t_j : u_p \mapsto u_{pj}$. We denote the restrictions of μ_j to $T \otimes S^a(K^i)$ and $T \otimes \Lambda^a(K^i)$ by the same symbol. Note that e'_{rs} and μ_j give \mathfrak{b} -endomorphisms on $T \otimes S^\bullet(K^i)$ and $T \otimes \Lambda^\bullet(K^i)$.

⁽ⁱ⁾ Also appears with different formulations in [Las82] and [Sot96].

For a permutation z and $p < q$ let $m_{pq}(z) = \#\{r > q : z(p) < z(r) < z(q)\}$ and $m'_{qp}(z) = \#\{r < p : z(p) < z(r) < z(q)\}$. For $\zeta = t_{p_1q_1} \cdots t_{p_dq_d} \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) define

$$\begin{aligned} v_\zeta &= \left(\prod_j e_{p_jq_j}^{m_{p_jq_j}(w_j)} u_w \right) \otimes \prod_j u_{p_j} \\ &= \left(\prod_j e_{p_jq_j}^{m_{p_jq_j}(w_j)} u_w \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{\sigma \in S_d} u_{p_{\sigma(1)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{p_{\sigma(d)}} \right) \in \mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i) \end{aligned}$$

(resp.

$$\begin{aligned} v_\zeta &= \left(\prod_j e_{p_jq_j}^{m_{p_jq_j}(w_j)} u_w \right) \otimes \bigwedge_j u_{p_j} \\ &= \left(\prod_j e_{p_jq_j}^{m_{p_jq_j}(w_j)} u_w \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{\sigma \in S_d} \text{sgn } \sigma \cdot u_{p_{\sigma(1)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{p_{\sigma(d)}} \right) \in \mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i) \end{aligned}$$

) where $w_j = wt_{p_1q_1} \cdots t_{p_{j-1}q_{j-1}}$ as in Definition 3.1 (note that these are also well-defined if some q_j are greater than n , since in such case $m_{p_jq_j}(w_j) = 0$). Also, for such ζ , define a \mathfrak{b} -homomorphism $T \otimes \bigotimes^d(K^i) \rightarrow T$ by $\phi_\zeta = \mu_{q_d} \cdots \mu_{q_1} \cdot \prod_j (e'_{q_jp_j})^{m'_{q_jp_j}(w_j)}$.

Proposition 4.1 For $\zeta, \zeta' \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$),

- $\phi_\zeta(v_\zeta)$ is a nonzero multiple of $u_{w\zeta} \in T$, and
- $\phi_{\zeta'}(v_\zeta) = 0$ if $(w\zeta)^{-1} \underset{\text{lex}}{<} (w\zeta')^{-1}$ (resp. $(w\zeta)^{-1} \underset{\text{rlex}}{<} (w\zeta')^{-1}$).

A sketched proof for this proposition is given in the next section.

For a \mathfrak{b} -module M and elements $x, y, \dots, z \in M$ let $\langle x, y, \dots, z \rangle$ denote the submodule generated by these elements. Consider the sequence of submodules

$$0 \subset \langle v_{\zeta_1} \rangle \subset \langle v_{\zeta_1}, v_{\zeta_2} \rangle \subset \cdots \subset \langle v_\zeta : \zeta \in X_{i,d}(w) \text{ (resp. } Y_{i,d}(w)) \rangle$$

inside $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ (resp. $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i)$), where $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) are all the elements ordered so that $(w\zeta_1)^{-1} \underset{\text{lex}}{<} (w\zeta_2)^{-1} \underset{\text{lex}}{<} \cdots$ (resp. $(w\zeta_1)^{-1} \underset{\text{rlex}}{<} (w\zeta_2)^{-1} \underset{\text{rlex}}{<} \cdots$). From the proposition we see that there is a surjection $\langle v_{\zeta_1}, \dots, v_{\zeta_j} \rangle / \langle v_{\zeta_1}, \dots, v_{\zeta_{j-1}} \rangle \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{S}_{w\zeta_j}$ induced from ϕ_{ζ_j} . Thus we have

$$\dim(\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)) \geq \dim \langle v_\zeta : \zeta \in X_{i,d}(w) \rangle \geq \sum_{\zeta \in X_{i,d}(w)} \dim \mathcal{S}_{w\zeta} = \dim(\mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i))$$

and

$$\dim(\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i)) \geq \dim \langle v_\zeta : \zeta \in Y_{i,d}(w) \rangle \geq \sum_{\zeta \in Y_{i,d}(w)} \dim \mathcal{S}_{w\zeta} = \dim(\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i))$$

respectively, where the last equalities are by Theorem 3.2. So the equality must hold everywhere, and thus the surjection above is in fact an isomorphism. So we get:

Theorem 4.2 Let $M = \mathcal{S}_w \otimes S^d(K^i)$ (resp. $\mathcal{S}_w \otimes \bigwedge^d(K^i)$). Define v_ζ and ϕ_ζ as above. Then M is generated by $\{v_\zeta : \zeta \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)\})$ as a \mathfrak{b} -module and

$$0 \subset \langle v_{\zeta_1} \rangle \subset \langle v_{\zeta_1}, v_{\zeta_2} \rangle \subset \cdots \subset \langle v_\zeta : \zeta \in X_{i,d}(w) \text{ (resp. } Y_{i,d}(w)) \rangle$$

gives a KP filtration of M , where $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) are all the elements ordered increasingly by the lexicographic (resp. reverse lexicographic) ordering on $(w\zeta)^{-1}$. The explicit isomorphism $\langle v_{\zeta_1}, \dots, v_{\zeta_j} \rangle / \langle v_{\zeta_1}, \dots, v_{\zeta_{j-1}} \rangle \cong \mathcal{S}_{w\zeta_j}$ is given by ϕ_{ζ_j} defined above.

Remark 4.3 In [Wat15b] we related KP modules with the notion of highest weight categories ([CPS88]) as follows. For $\Lambda' \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ let $\mathcal{C}_{\Lambda'}$ be the category of weight \mathfrak{b}_n -modules whose weights are all in Λ' . Then if Λ' is an order ideal with respect to a certain ordering on \mathbb{Z}^n then $\mathcal{C}_{\Lambda'}$ has a structure of highest weight category whose standard objects are KP modules. One of the axioms required for a highest weight category states that the projective objects should have filtrations by standard objects.

It can be shown that the projective cover of the one dimensional \mathfrak{b}_n -module K_λ with weight $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$ in the category $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n}$ is given by $S^{\lambda_1}(K^1) \otimes \cdots \otimes S^{\lambda_n}(K^n)$. Thus Theorem 4.2 gives a proof to the fact that the indecomposable projective modules in $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n}$ have KP filtrations, which leads to a different proof from the one in [Wat15b, §3] for the axiom mentioned above (we do not need these results about highest weight structure for \mathfrak{b} -modules in the proof of Theorem 4.2).

5 Skeched Proof of Proposition 4.1

Lemma 5.1 (Implicit in [Wat15b, Proof of Theorem 5.1]) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ Let $w \in S^{(n)}$ and $i \geq 1$. For $p, p' \leq i$ and $q, q' > i$ such that $\ell(wt_{pq}) = \ell(wt_{p'q'}) = \ell(w) + 1$ (i.e. $t_{pq}, t_{p'q'} \in X_{i,1}(w)$), if $u_{pq'} \wedge e_{pq}^{m_{pq}(w)} (e'_{q'p'})^{m'_{q'p'}(w)} u_w \neq 0$ then $w(p') \geq w(p)$ and $w(q') \geq w(q)$, and if $(p, q) = (p', q')$ it is a nonzero multiple of $u_{wt_{pq}}$. \square

Lemma 5.2 Let w be a permutation, $i \geq 1$ and $d \geq 0$. Let $\zeta = t_{p_1 q_1} \cdots t_{p_d q_d} \in X_{i,d}(w)$ (resp. $Y_{i,d}(w)$) and $1 \leq a \leq d$. Suppose that there exists no $b < a$ satisfying $p_b = p_a$ (resp. $q_b = q_a$). Then $m_{p_a q_a}(w_a) = m_{p_a q_a}(w)$ and $m'_{q_a p_a}(w_a) = m'_{q_a p_a}(w)$ where $w_a = wt_{p_1 q_1} \cdots t_{p_{a-1} q_{a-1}}$ as in Definition 3.1. \square

Proof of Proposition 4.1: The proofs for the cases of $X_{i,d}(w)$ and $Y_{i,d}(w)$ are similar. Here we give a proof for the case of $X_{i,d}(w)$.

We assume $(w\zeta)^{-1} \leq_{\text{lex}} (w\zeta')^{-1}$ (resp. $(w\zeta)^{-1} \leq_{\text{rlex}} (w\zeta')^{-1}$) and show that $\phi_{\zeta'}(v_\zeta) = 0$ unless $\zeta' = \zeta$ and $\phi_\zeta(v_\zeta)$ is a nonzero multiple of $u_{w\zeta}$. Let $\zeta = t_{p_1 q_1} \cdots t_{p_d q_d}$ and $\zeta' = t_{p'_1 q'_1} \cdots t_{p'_d q'_d}$ as in Definition 3.1. We write $w_a = wt_{p_1 q_1} \cdots t_{p_{a-1} q_{a-1}}$ and $w'_a = wt_{p'_1 q'_1} \cdots t_{p'_{a-1} q'_{a-1}}$.

For $\zeta = \prod_j t_{p_j q_j}$ and $\zeta' = \prod_j t_{p'_j q'_j}$ in $X_{i,d}(w)$ we have

$$\phi_{\zeta'}(v_\zeta) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_d} \left(u_{p_{\sigma(a)} q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(1)} q'_1} \wedge \left(\prod_j E_j \prod_j E'_j \cdot u_w \right) \right) \quad (*)$$

where $E_j = e_{p_j q_j}^{m_{p_j q_j}(w_j)}$ and $E'_j = (e'_{q'_j p'_j})^{m'_{q'_j p'_j}(w'_j)}$.

⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ In a revised version (in preparation) of [Wat15b] this will appear as a separate lemma.

If $w(p_1) < w(p'_1)$, then $(w\zeta)^{-1}(w(p_1)) = q_1 > p_1 = (w\zeta')^{-1}(w(p_1))$ and $(w\zeta)^{-1}(j) = w^{-1}(j) = (w\zeta')^{-1}(j)$ for all $j < w(p_1)$, and this contradicts the assumption $(w\zeta)^{-1} \leq_{\text{lex}} (w\zeta')^{-1}$. Thus $w(p_1) \geq w(p'_1)$.

Fix $\sigma \in S_d$. Let $1 \leq a \leq d$ be minimal such that $p_a = p_{\sigma(1)}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(1)}q'_1} \wedge \left(\prod_j E_j \prod_j E'_j \cdot u_w \right) \\ &= u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(2)}q'_2} \wedge \prod_{j \neq a} E_j \prod_{j \neq 1} E'_j \cdot (u_{p_{\sigma(1)}q'_1} \wedge E_a E'_1 u_w) \\ &= u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(2)}q'_2} \wedge \prod_{j \neq a} E_j \prod_{j \neq 1} E'_j \cdot (u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w_a)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w'_1)} u_w) \\ &= u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(2)}q'_2} \wedge \prod_{j \neq a} E_j \prod_{j \neq 1} E'_j \cdot (u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w) \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is by Lemma 5.2 (note that $w'_1 = w$ by definition).

First consider the case $w(p_1) > w(p'_1)$. We show that the summand in (*) vanishes for all σ . It suffices to show $u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w = 0$. We have $w(p_a) = w_a(p_a) \geq w(p_1) > w(p'_1)$. Thus by Lemma 5.1 we see $u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w = 0$.

Next consider the case $w(p_1) = w(p'_1)$. Here $(w\zeta)^{-1}(w(p_1)) = q_1$, $(w\zeta')^{-1}(w(p_1)) = q'_1$ and $(w\zeta)^{-1}(j) = w^{-1}(j) = (w\zeta')^{-1}(j)$ for all $j < w(p_1)$, and thus $q_1 \leq q'_1$ by the hypothesis. First consider the case $q_1 < q'_1$. Then since $wt_{p_1 q_1}, wt_{p'_1 q'_1} \succ w$ it follows that $w(q'_1) < w(q_1)$. So $w(q'_1) < w(q_1) \leq w(q_a)$ and again by Lemma 5.1 we see $u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w = 0$.

Now consider the case $w(p_1) = w(p'_1)$ and $q_1 = q'_1$. Then if $a > 1$ we see

$$u_{p_a q'_1} \wedge e_{p_a q_a}^{m_{p_a q_a}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w = 0$$

by Lemma 5.1 since $w(q'_1) = w(q_1) < w(q_a)$ in such case. So the only remaining summands in (*) are the ones with $a = 1$, i.e. $p_{\sigma(1)} = p_1$. It is easy to see that the sum of such summands is a nonzero multiple of the sum of terms with $\sigma(1) = 1$. If $\sigma(1) = 1$ we have, by the latter part of Lemma 5.1,

$$\begin{aligned} & u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(1)}q'_1} \wedge \left(\prod_j E_j \prod_j E'_j \cdot u_w \right) \\ &= u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(2)}q'_2} \wedge \prod_{j \neq 1} e_{p_j q_j}^{m_{p_j q_j}(w_j)} \prod_{j \neq 1} (e'_{q'_j p'_j})^{m'_{q'_j p'_j}(w'_j)} (u_{p_1 q_1} \wedge e_{p_1 q_1}^{m_{p_1 q_1}(w)} (e'_{q'_1 p'_1})^{m'_{q'_1 p'_1}(w)} u_w) \\ &= (\neq 0 \text{ const.}) \cdot u_{p_{\sigma(d)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(2)}q'_2} \wedge \prod_{j \neq 1} e_{p_j q_j}^{m_{p_j q_j}(w_j)} \prod_{j \neq 1} (e'_{q'_j p'_j})^{m'_{q'_j p'_j}(w'_j)} u_{wt_{p_1 q_1}}. \end{aligned}$$

So, working inductively on d (using $wt_{p_1 q_1}, t_{p_2 q_2} \cdots t_{p_d q_d}$ and $t_{p'_2 q'_2} \cdots t_{p'_d q'_d}$ in places for w, ζ and ζ' respectively: note that if $(p_1, q_1) = (p'_1, q'_1)$ then $(w\zeta)^{-1} \leq_{\text{lex}} (w\zeta')^{-1}$ implies $((wt_{p_1 q_1}) \cdot t_{p_2 q_2} \cdots t_{p_d q_d})^{-1} = (w\zeta)^{-1} \leq_{\text{lex}} (w\zeta')^{-1} = ((wt_{p_1 q_1}) \cdot t_{p'_2 q'_2} \cdots t_{p'_d q'_d})^{-1}$) we see that

- $(u_{p_{\sigma(a)}q'_d} \wedge \cdots \wedge u_{p_{\sigma(1)}q'_1}) \wedge \prod_j e_{p_j q_j}^{m_{p_j q_j}(w_j)} \prod_j (e'_{q'_j p'_j})^{m'_{q'_j p'_j}(w'_j)} u_w$ vanishes if $(w\zeta)^{-1} \underset{\text{lex}}{<} (w\zeta')^{-1}$, or if $\zeta' = \zeta$ and $\sigma \neq \text{id}$, and
- if $\zeta' = \zeta$ and $\sigma = \text{id}$ then it is a nonzero multiple of $u_{w\zeta}$.

This finishes the proof. □

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