Geometric positivity in the cohomology of homogeneous varieties

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PROBLEM: Given two Schubert varieties Σ_{λ} and Σ_{μ} in $F(k_1, \ldots, k_h; n)$, compute the class of $\pi(\Sigma_{\lambda} \cap \Sigma_{\mu})$ in $F(k_{i_1}, \ldots, k_{i_j}; n)$.



















Theorem

The flat limit of the degeneration is supported along the varieties just described. Each one occurs with multiplicity one in the limit.


























































Theorem (Buch-Kresch-Tamvakis)

This rule also gives a positive rule for the quantum cohomology of Grassmannians.


















































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Q defines a smooth quadric hypersurface in $\mathbb{P}V$. OG(k, n) is the Fano variety of (k - 1)-dimensional projective linear spaces on Q.

It is useful to consider singular quadrics/degenerate forms. Let Q_d^r denote a corank r sub-quadric of Q whose span has (vector space) dimension d.

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- One can reverse the process to obtain a presentation of the cohomology ring of OF(k₁,..., k_h; n) when n is odd and a presentation of the invariant part of the cohomology when n is even.

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