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Box moves on Littlewood-Richardson tableaux

Let α, β, γ be partitions. The representation space $\mathbb{V}_{\alpha, \gamma}^{\beta}$ of short exact sequences $0 \rightarrow N_{\alpha} \rightarrow N_{\beta} \rightarrow N_{\gamma} \rightarrow 0$ of nilpotent linear operators of Jordan types α, β, γ , respectively, is partitioned by the LR-tableaux of shape (α, β, γ) .

For LR-tableaux $\Gamma, \tilde{\Gamma}$, define $\Gamma \leq_{\text{closure}} \tilde{\Gamma}$ if the corresponding varieties in $\mathbb{V}_{\alpha, \gamma}^{\beta}$ satisfy $\mathbb{V}_{\tilde{\Gamma}} \cap \overline{\mathbb{V}_{\Gamma}} \neq \emptyset$. It turns out that the closure relation is a preorder (i.e. reflexive and anti-symmetric).

We present a combinatorial conjecture regarding box moves on LR-tableaux which are horizontal stripes. If the conjecture holds, then the transitive closure of the closure relation is easily determined by the combinatorics of LR-tableaux.

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