# *qt*RSK\*: A probabilistic dual RSK correspondence for Macdonald polynomials

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Our aim is a tableaux theoretic proof of

$$\sum_{\lambda} P_{\lambda}(\mathbf{x};q,t) P_{\lambda'}(\mathbf{y};t,q) = \prod_{i,j\geq 1} (1+x_iy_j).$$

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- $\rightarrow$  Macdonald polynomials
- $\rightarrow$  A probabilistic dual RSK correspondence:  $qt \mathrm{RSK}^*$

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Let  $\lambda$  be a partition and  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . The Schur polynomial  $s_{\lambda}(\mathbf{x})$  is the multivariate generating function of all SSYT of shape  $\lambda$  and with entries at most n

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- $\rightarrow\,$  Ad 2) This follows from a simple linear algebra argument.
- $\rightarrow$  Ad 1) We give a combinatorial proof via dual local growth rules. Using dual growth diagrams, we obtain a combinatorial proof of the dual Cauchy identity.

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It suffices to find a bijection

$$\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\rho,k}: \mathcal{D}^{k-1}(\lambda,\rho) \cup \mathcal{D}^k(\lambda,\rho) \to \mathcal{U}^k(\lambda,\rho),$$

for all  $\lambda, \rho$  and non-negative k. We call a family of such bijections a set of dual local growth rules.





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- $\rightarrow$  Hall–Littlewood polynomials for q = 0,
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