

# Push-forward of Hall-Littlewood classes

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We shall use them simultaneously by means of Hall-Littlewood classes associated with a vector bundle  $E \rightarrow X$  of rank  $n$  with Chern roots  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

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$$\pi_*(c_{56}(Q \otimes S) \cdot P_{931}(Q) \cdot P_{7542}(S)) = (-6)P_{9754321}(E).$$

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This is not an important polynomial but it will give rise to an important Hall-Littlewood class.

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This is seen from a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Fl(Q) \times_{G^q(E)} Fl(S) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & Fl(E) \\ \tau_Q \times \tau_S \downarrow & & \downarrow \tau_E \\ G^q(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & X \end{array}$$

which gives

$$\pi_* (\tau_Q \times \tau_S)_* = (\tau_E)_*.$$

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(Mcd p.207) We have

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### Theorem

Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^q$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n-q}$ . We then have

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$p$  - prime number,  $M$  finite Abelian  $p$ -group,  
 $M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathbb{Z}/p^{\lambda_i}\mathbb{Z}$ ,

$\lambda = (\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots)$  - partition ("type of  $M$ ").

**Hall algebra** :  $\lambda, \mu, \nu$  three partitions. Let  $M$  be of type  $\lambda$ .

$$G_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} := \text{card}\{N \subset M : \text{type}(N) = \nu, \text{type}(M/N) = \mu\}$$

Let  $H$  be a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module with basis  $\{u_{\lambda}\}$ ,

$$u_{\mu} \cdot u_{\nu} := \sum G_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} u_{\lambda}.$$

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