

# The Determinantal Formula in Schubert calculus

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ABSTRACT. We present a proof of the determinantal formula in Schubert calculus for general schemes. The result may be viewed as an appendix to the article [LT2].

**6.0 Setup.** Work with the notation introduced in [LT2]. In particular,  $\mathcal{E}$  is a locally free module of rank  $n \geq 1$  over the base scheme  $X$ , and  $d \leq n$  is a fixed positive integer.

Let

$$F := \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E}) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_F: F \rightarrow X$$

be the  $d$ 'th *partial flag scheme* and its structure map, parametrizing flags of corank  $d$  in  $\mathcal{E}$ . On  $F$  there is a universal flag of quotients of  $\mathcal{E}_F$ ,

$$\mathcal{E}_F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_d \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{d-1} \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1, \quad (6.0.1)$$

with  $\mathcal{Q}_i$  locally free of rank  $i$ . So, the successive kernels  $\mathcal{L}_i := \text{Ker}(\mathcal{Q}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{i-1})$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$  (and  $\mathcal{Q}_0 = 0$ ) are locally free of rank 1.

Let

$$G := \text{Grass}^d(\mathcal{E}) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_G: G \rightarrow X$$

be the  $d$ 'th Grassmannian and its structure map, parametrizing rank- $d$  quotients of  $\mathcal{E}$ . On  $G$  there is a universal rank- $d$  quotient  $\mathcal{Q}$  of  $\mathcal{E}_G$ . It defines a short exact sequence,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0 \quad (6.0.2)$$

with  $\mathcal{R}$  locally free of corank  $d$ . On the flag scheme  $F$ , the quotient  $\mathcal{E}_F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_d$  defines an  $X$ -morphism  $g: F \rightarrow G$  under which the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}_d$  of  $\mathcal{E}_F$  is the pull-back of the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}$  of  $\mathcal{E}_G$ . In fact, it follows from the functorial properties of flags that the map  $g: F \rightarrow G$  identifies  $F$  and the complete flag scheme of  $\mathcal{Q}$  over  $G$ :

$$\text{Flag}_X^d(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Flag}_G^d(\mathcal{Q}). \quad (6.0.3)$$

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Under this identification we have the equality  $\mathcal{Q}_F = \mathcal{Q}_d$  and the universal (complete) flag of quotients of  $\mathcal{Q}_F$  is tail of the flag (6.0.1).

In the case  $d = 1$ , the two schemes  $F$  and  $G$  reduce to projective space: Let

$$P := IP(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Proj}(\text{Sym } \mathcal{E}) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi: P \rightarrow X$$

be the projective bundle and its structure map. On  $P$  there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_P \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_P(1) \rightarrow 0. \quad (6.0.4)$$

Clearly, the flag schemes may be defined inductively as a chain of schemes and maps,

$$F_d \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow X,$$

with  $F_1 := IP(\mathcal{E})$ , and the following inductive description: Assume that  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$  is given with the universal flag (6.0.1). Let  $\mathcal{R}_d \subseteq \mathcal{E}_F$  be the corank- $d$  submodule corresponding to the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}_d$ . Set  $F' := IP(\mathcal{R}_d)$ , let  $\mathcal{L}' := \mathcal{O}_{F'}(1)$  be the universal rank-1 quotient of  $\mathcal{R}_{d,F'}$ , let  $\mathcal{R}_{d+1} \subseteq \mathcal{R}_{d,F'}$  be the kernel of the canonical epimorphism  $\mathcal{R}_{d,F'} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}'$ , and let  $\mathcal{Q}_{d+1} := \mathcal{E}_{F'}/\mathcal{R}_{d+1}$ . Then  $\mathcal{Q}_{d+1}$  is a rank- $(d+1)$  quotient of  $\mathcal{E}_{F'}$ , and there is a canonical quotient morphism  $\mathcal{Q}_{d+1} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{d,F'}$  with kernel  $\mathcal{L}'$ . Clearly,  $F' = \text{Flag}^{d+1}(\mathcal{E})$ , with the corank- $(d+1)$  flag obtained from  $\mathcal{Q}_{d+1}$  and the pull back to  $F'$  of the flag (6.0.1) as the universal corank- $(d+1)$  flag.

**6.1 Setup continued.** Consider an increasing sequence of  $d$  linear subschemes of  $IP(\mathcal{E})$ :

$$A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq A_d \subseteq IP(\mathcal{E}),$$

say  $A_i = IP(\mathcal{A}_i)$  given by a decreasing sequence of  $d$  locally free quotients of  $\mathcal{E}$ :

$$\mathcal{E} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_d \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_2 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_1, \quad (6.1.1)$$

say  $A_i := IP(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{V}_i)$  with a decreasing sequence  $\mathcal{E} \supseteq \mathcal{V}_1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq \mathcal{V}_d$  of  $d$  locally split submodules of  $\mathcal{E}$ . The associated *Schubert subscheme* is the closed subscheme of the Grassmannian,

$$\Omega(A_1, \dots, A_d) = \Omega(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_d) \subseteq \text{Grass}_X^d(\mathcal{E}),$$

defined informally, see [LT2], by the following conditions on a  $(d-1)$ -plane  $Q$  in  $IP(\mathcal{E})$ :

$$\dim Q \cap A_i \geq i - 1 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, d.$$

Over the flag scheme  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$  we have two decreasing sequences of quotients of  $\mathcal{E}_F$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_F & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d,F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d-1,F} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{1,F} \\ \parallel & & & & & & \\ \mathcal{E}_F & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_d & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_{d-1} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1. \end{array}$$

Denote by  $Z = \text{Flag}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_d) = \text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_d)$  the closed subscheme  $Z \subseteq F$  where the top sequence dominates the bottom sequence, that is, the quotient  $\mathcal{E}_F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{i,F}$  dominates the quotient  $\mathcal{E}_F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_F & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d,F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d-1,F} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{1,F} \\ \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E}_F & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_d & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_{d-1} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1. \end{array}$$

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So, if  $\mathcal{A}_i = \mathcal{E}/\mathcal{V}_i$ , then  $Z$  is the intersection of the zero schemes of the  $d$  compositions  $\mathcal{V}_{i,F} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_i$ .

In precise geometric terms, the flag scheme  $F$  represents the functor whose value at an  $X$ -scheme  $T$  is the set of all flags,

$$Q_1 \subset Q_2 \subset \cdots \subset Q_d \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}_T), \quad (6.1.2)$$

where  $Q_i$  is a linear subspace of relative dimension  $i - 1$  in  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}_T) = \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}) \times_X T$ , and  $Z$  represents the subfunctor whose value is the subset of flags (6.1.2) where

$$Q_i \subseteq A_i \times_X T \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, d.$$

Clearly, the canonical morphism  $g: \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Grass}^d(\mathcal{E})$  induces a morphism of closed subschemes,

$$f: \text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_d) \rightarrow \Omega(A_1, \dots, A_d) \quad (6.1.3)$$

**6.2 Lemma.** *The morphism (6.1.3) induces an isomorphism between the open dense subset of  $\text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_d)$  where  $A_i \cap Q_d = Q_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ , and the open dense subset of  $\Omega(A_1, \dots, A_d)$  where  $A_i \cap Q$  is a linear subscheme of dimension  $i - 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ .*

*Proof.* The assertion is obvious.

**6.3 Iterative construction.** Generalizing the inductive definition of the flag scheme, the subscheme  $Z = \text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_d)$  of the  $d$ 'th flag scheme  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$  may be constructed inductively as follows:

First, if  $d = 0$ , then  $Z = F = X$ . To describe the inductive step, passing from  $d$  to  $d + 1$ , assume that  $Z$  and  $F$  are constructed for  $d$  linear subspaces  $A_1, \dots, A_d$  of  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , and consider an additional linear subspace  $A_d \subseteq A_{d+1} \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , say  $A_{d+1} = \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{V}_{d+1})$  with  $\mathcal{V}_{d+1} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_d$ . Consider the universal flag on  $F$ :

$$\mathcal{E}_F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_d \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1, \quad (6.3.1)$$

where  $\mathcal{Q}_i$  is locally free of rank  $i$ . Assume that the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}_d$  corresponds to the submodule  $\mathcal{R}_d$ , say  $\mathcal{Q}_d = \mathcal{E}_F/\mathcal{R}_d$ . Consider the projective scheme  $h: F' := \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}_d) \rightarrow F$ , and on  $F'$  the tautological exact sequence,

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}' \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}_{d,F'} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F'}(1) \longrightarrow 0. \quad (6.3.2)$$

Then the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}' := \mathcal{E}_{F'}/\mathcal{R}'$  dominates the quotient  $\mathcal{Q}_{d,F'} = \mathcal{E}_{F'}/\mathcal{R}_{d,F'}$ , and  $\mathcal{L}' := \mathcal{O}_{F'}(1)$  is the kernel of the surjection  $\mathcal{Q}' \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{d,F'}$ . Clearly,  $F' = \text{Flag}^{d+1}(\mathcal{E})$  with

$$\mathcal{E}_{F'} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}' \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{d,F'} \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{1,F'}$$

as the universal flag.

Over  $F'$  we have two  $(d + 1)$ -flags of quotients,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_{F'} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d+1,F'} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d,F'} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{1,F'} \\ \parallel & & & & & & \\ \mathcal{E}_{F'} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_{d,F'} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{1,F'} \end{array}$$

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Over  $Z$ , and hence over the preimage  $h^{-1}Z$ , we have that  $\mathcal{E} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_i$  dominates  $\mathcal{E} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_{h^{-1}Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d+1,h^{-1}Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_{d,h^{-1}Z} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{1,h^{-1}Z} \\ \parallel & & \vdots & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E}_{h^{-1}Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_{d,h^{-1}Z} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{1,h^{-1}Z}. \end{array}$$

Moreover, for any scheme  $T$  over  $h^{-1}Z$  we have that  $\mathcal{A}_{d+1,T}$  dominates  $\mathcal{Q}'_T$  if and only if the composition  $\mathcal{V}_{d+1,T} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_T \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}'_T$  vanishes. Since  $\mathcal{V}_{d+1,T} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{d,T}$ , the composition maps into the kernel  $\mathcal{L}'_T$  of  $\mathcal{Q}'_T \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{d,T}$ . So the composition defines over the preimage  $h^{-1}Z$  of  $Z$  in  $F$  a natural morphism,

$$\mathcal{V}_{d+1,h^{-1}Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}'_{h^{-1}Z},$$

or a section,

$$\mathcal{O}_{h^{-1}Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_{d+1,h^{-1}Z}^* \otimes L_{d+1,h^{-1}}; \quad (6.3.3)$$

clearly,  $Z' = \text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_{d+1})$  is the scheme of zeros of the latter section.

The section (6.3.3) is regular, since the structure map  $h^{-1}Z \rightarrow Z$  identifies  $h^{-1}Z$  with  $IP(\mathcal{R}_{d,Z})$  and  $\mathcal{R}_{d,h^{-1}Z} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{L}'_{h^{-1}Z}$  with the universal rank-1 quotient(?). As a consequence, the class of  $Z'$  in  $A(h^{-1}Z)$  is obtained by applying the top Chern class  $c_{\text{top}}(\mathcal{V}_{d+1}^* \otimes \mathcal{L}')$  to  $[h^{-1}Z]$ . The top Chern class is, as a consequence of the Splitting Principle, equal to the value of the Chern polynomial  $C_{\mathcal{V}_{d+1}}$  at the first Chern class  $x = c_1 \mathcal{L}_{d+1}$ . Hence, under the inclusion  $j: Z' \rightarrow h^{-1}Z$ ,

$$j_*[Z'] = C_{\mathcal{V}_{d+1}}(x)[h^{-1}Z]. \quad (6.3.4)$$

**6.4 Proposition.** Consider the  $d$ 'th flag scheme  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$  with its universal flag (6.0.1), let  $\mathcal{L}_i := \text{Ker}(\mathcal{Q}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{i-1})$  and  $\xi_i := c_1 \mathcal{L}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ . Let  $Z := \text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_d)$  and, more generally, let  $Z_i$  be the preimage in  $F$  of  $\text{Flag}(A_1, \dots, A_i)$  under the natural map  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Flag}^i(\mathcal{E})$ . Then, for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ , we have the equation in  $A(F)$ :

$$[Z_i] = \prod_{j=1}^i C_{\mathcal{V}_j}(\xi_j) \cap [F].$$

Note that, by the Whitney Sum formula,  $C_{\mathcal{V}_j}(T) = C_{\mathcal{E}}(T)/C_{\mathcal{A}_j}(T)$ .

**6.5 Conclusion.** Recall that for the Chow group of the  $d$ 'th flag scheme  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$  there is a canonical identification,

$$A(F) = A^*(F) \otimes_{A^*(X)} A(X) = \text{Split}_{A^*(X)}^d(C_{\mathcal{F}}) \otimes_{A^*(X)} A(X), \quad (6.5.1)$$

where  $\text{Split}_A^d(p)$  denotes the  $d$ 'th *splitting algebra* for the polynomial  $p$  over  $A$  in  $d$  linear factors  $p(T) = (T - \xi_1) \cdots (T - \xi_d) \tilde{p}(T)$ , where  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_d$  are the *universal roots* in  $\text{Split}_A^d(p)$ . By the identification (6.5.1), the Chern classes  $x_i \in A^*(X)$  correspond to the universal roots  $\xi_i$ .

Recall in addition that the  $A$ -subalgebra of  $\text{Split}_A^d(p)$  generated by the elementary symmetric polynomials in the  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_d$  is the *factorization algebra*  $\text{Fact}_A^d(p)$ , universal with

respect to factorizations  $p = q\tilde{q}$  into factors of degree  $d$  and  $n - d$ . The Chern ring  $A^*(G)$  of the  $d$ 'th Grassmannian  $G = \text{Grass}^d(\mathcal{E})$  is in fact the  $d$ 'th factorization algebra of  $C_{\mathcal{E}}$ , and the equation  $C_{\mathcal{E}} = C_{\mathcal{Q}}C_{\mathcal{R}}$  in  $A^*(G)[T]$  resulting from the exact sequence (6.0.2) is the universal factorization. Moreover the pull back of the morphism  $g: F \rightarrow G$  and the inclusion of the factorization algebra into the splitting algebra induce a commutative diagram,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A(F) & \longrightarrow & \text{Split}_{A^*(X)}^n(C_{\mathcal{E}}) \otimes_{A^*(X)} A(X) \\ g^* \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ A(G) & \longrightarrow & \text{Fact}_{A^*(X)}^n(C_{\mathcal{E}}) \otimes_{A^*(X)} A(X) \end{array} \quad (6.5.2)$$

**6.6 Theorem.** Consider over the base scheme  $X$  a locally free module  $\mathcal{E}$  and a flag of  $d$  locally free quotients,

$$\mathcal{E} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_d \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_2 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_1, \quad (6.6.1)$$

with  $\text{rk } \mathcal{A}_i \geq i$ , say  $\mathcal{A}_i := \text{IP}(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{V}_i)$  with a decreasing sequence,

$$\mathcal{V}_d \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathcal{V}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{E}, \quad (6.6.2)$$

of  $d$  locally split submodules  $\mathcal{V}_i$ . Form the Grassmannian  $G := \text{Grass}^d(\mathcal{E})$  parametrizing rank- $d$  locally free quotients of  $\mathcal{E}$  with the universal quotient  $\mathcal{E}_G \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{Q}$ , fitting into an exact sequence,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0. \quad (6.6.3)$$

Let  $\Omega = \Omega(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_d)$  be the corresponding Schubert subscheme of  $G$ . Then the class of  $\Omega$  in the Chow group  $A(G)$  is given by the determinantal formula,

$$[\Omega] = \text{Res}\left(\frac{C_{\mathcal{V}_1}}{C_{\mathcal{Q}}}, \dots, \frac{C_{\mathcal{V}_d}}{C_{\mathcal{Q}}}\right)[G] = \text{Res}\left(\frac{C_{\mathcal{R}}}{C_{\mathcal{A}_1}}, \dots, \frac{C_{\mathcal{R}}}{C_{\mathcal{A}_d}}\right)[G]. \quad (6.6.4)$$

*Proof.* The Laurent series in the two resultants are the same since, by the Whitney Formula,  $C_{\mathcal{E}}(T) = C_{\mathcal{V}_i}(T)C_{\mathcal{A}_i}(T) = C_{\mathcal{R}}(T)C_{\mathcal{Q}}(T)$  in  $A^*(G)[T]$ . Note also that the Segre series is the inverse of the Chern polynomial so that  $C_{\mathcal{V}_i}/C_{\mathcal{Q}} = C_{\mathcal{V}_i}S_{\mathcal{Q}} = C_{\mathcal{R}}S_{\mathcal{A}_i}$ .

Let  $F$  be the  $d$ 'th flag scheme,  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{E})$ ; under the induced morphism  $g: F \rightarrow G$ , the flag scheme  $F$  is identified with the complete flag scheme  $\text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{Q})$  of  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Let  $Z \subseteq F$  be the closed subscheme  $Z = \text{Flag}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_d)$ . Consider the following diagram,

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A(Z) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & A(F) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \text{Split}^d(C_{\mathcal{Q}}) \otimes_{A^*(G)} A(G) \\ f_* \downarrow & & g_* \downarrow & & \downarrow \partial \otimes 1 \\ A(\Omega) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & A(G) & \xlongequal{\quad} & A^*(G) \otimes_{A^*(G)} A(G). \end{array}$$

The left square of Chow groups corresponds to the natural commutative diagram of schemes. Hence the first square is commutative. The right vertical map  $\partial$  in the second square is the map  $\partial = \partial^{1, \dots, d}$  considered in [LT1, Section 6]. It is a map from the splitting algebra  $\text{Split}^d(C_{\mathcal{Q}})$  of the Chern polynomial  $C_{\mathcal{Q}} \in A^*(G)$  to the base ring  $A^*(G)$ ; the splitting algebra  $\text{Split}^d(C_{\mathcal{Q}})$  is the full splitting algebra since  $C_{\mathcal{Q}}$  is of degree  $d$ .

The inductive construction of full flag scheme  $F = \text{Flag}^d(\mathcal{Q})$  with the map  $g: F \rightarrow G$  is recalled in Section 6.1. The inductive construction of the splitting algebra  $\text{Split}^d(C_{\mathcal{Q}})$  over

the ring  $A^*(G)$  with its map  $\text{Split}^d(C_Q) \rightarrow A^*(G)$  is given in [LT1, Section 6]. It follows from the two constructions that the second diagram is commutative under the top horizontal identification given in [LT2, Formula (4.9.1)] with  $X := G$  and  $\mathcal{E} := Q$ .

To prove the formula in (6.6.4), consider the fundamental class  $[Z] \in A(Z)$  and its image in  $A(G)$ . First,  $f_*[Z] = [\Omega]$  since the map  $f: Z \rightarrow \Omega$  is birational by Lemma 6.2. Hence the image of  $[Z]$  in  $A(G)$  is equal to the class  $[\Omega]$  in  $A(G)$ .

Next, the inclusion  $i: Z \rightarrow F$  is, by the iterative construction 6.3, a composition of  $d$  regular embeddings defined by zero schemes of regular sections corresponding to the one considered in (6.3.3). Hence,

$$j_*[Z] = C_{\mathcal{V}_d}(\xi_d) \cdots C_{\mathcal{V}_1}(\xi_1)[F]. \quad (6.6.5)$$

Under the identifications in the diagram, the product of Chern classes in (6.6.5) may be viewed as a product in the splitting algebra  $\text{Split}^d(C_Q)$ . By the fundamental result in [LT1, Proposition 6.3], the image of the product under the map  $\partial$  is the resultant in (6.6.4),

$$\partial\left(C_{\mathcal{V}_d}(\xi_d) \cdots C_{\mathcal{V}_1}(\xi_1)\right) = \text{Res}\left(\frac{C_{\mathcal{V}_1}}{C_Q}, \dots, \frac{C_{\mathcal{V}_d}}{C_Q}\right).$$

Therefore  $g_*i_*[Z]$  is equal to the resultant applied to  $[G]$ . Thus formula (6.6.4) has been proved.

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