

Λ : poset. (finite)

$\forall \lambda \in \Lambda$ we have a rep. U_λ such that the following condition holds:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \forall \lambda \in \Lambda \exists \text{ indep. } V_\lambda \text{ such that} \\ U_\lambda = \bigoplus_{\mu \leq \lambda} m_{\mu\lambda} V_\mu \\ \text{with } m_{\lambda\lambda} = 1 \text{ for all } \lambda \in \Lambda. \end{array} \right\} (*)$$

Then it is possible to determine the $m_{\mu\lambda}$'s and ~~define the~~ from the numbers

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\mu\lambda} &= \dim \text{Hom}(U_\mu, U_\lambda) \\ &= \sum_{\nu \leq \mu, \lambda} m_{\nu\mu} m_{\nu\lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

as follows:

For each minimal element $\lambda \in \Lambda$, (*) says that $U_\lambda = V_\lambda$, so $d_{\lambda\lambda} = 1$.

Now suppose we already know ~~$d_{\mu\lambda}$~~ ~~$d_{\mu\lambda}$~~ $m_{\mu\nu}$ for all $\nu < \lambda$ and all $\mu \leq \nu$, then for $\mu < \lambda$, we can determine $m_{\mu\lambda}$ ^{inductively in μ} by

$$d_{\mu\lambda} = \sum_{\nu \leq \mu} m_{\nu\mu} m_{\nu\lambda} = \underbrace{\sum_{\nu < \mu} m_{\nu\mu} m_{\nu\lambda}}_{\text{known, by induction}} + m_{\mu\lambda}$$

Also, we would have

$$d_{\lambda\lambda} = \sum_{\nu \leq \lambda} m_{\nu\lambda}^2 = 1 + \sum_{\nu < \lambda} m_{\nu\lambda}^2.$$

So in fact, we could prove that (*) holds in this way.

$$\text{reps. } U_\lambda \ni \dim \text{Hom}(U_\lambda, U_\mu) = d_{\lambda\mu} \text{ \&}$$

Theorem: Suppose $\exists$ non-neg. integer $m_{\nu\mu}$ for all $\nu \leq \mu \ni m_{\mu\mu} = 1$, then and (4) holds, then (*) holds.

Proof: For minimal λ , (4) $\Rightarrow d_{\lambda\lambda} = 1$, so ~~if we define~~ $V_\lambda := U_\lambda$ ~~is~~ is forced by (*).

Suppose we have defined $V_\mu \forall \mu < \lambda$ such

that (*) holds. Then for $\mu < \lambda$, if we already ~~know~~ knew $\dim \text{Hom}(V_\nu, U_\lambda) = m_{\nu\lambda} \forall \nu < \mu$

$$\text{Then } d_{\mu\lambda} = \dim \text{Hom}\left(\sum_{\nu \leq \mu} m_{\nu\mu} V_\nu, U_\lambda\right)$$

$$= \sum_{\nu < \mu} m_{\nu\mu} m_{\nu\lambda} + m_{\mu\lambda}$$

allowing us to ~~calculate~~ show that

$$\dim \text{Hom}(V_\mu, U_\lambda) = m_{\mu\lambda}.$$

If we have done this for all $\mu < \lambda$, we know

$$d_{\lambda\lambda} U_\lambda = \sum_{\mu < \lambda} m_{\mu\lambda} V_\mu \oplus \sum m_i V_i$$

$$\text{But } d_{\lambda\lambda} = \sum_{\mu < \lambda} m_{\mu\lambda}^2 + 1 \Rightarrow \sum m_i^2 = 1$$

$$\text{So } \exists! \text{ irrep. } V_\lambda \ni U_\lambda = V_\lambda \oplus \bigoplus_{\mu < \lambda} m_{\mu\lambda} V_\mu.$$

From now on, we will write partitions in non-increasing order $\lambda = (\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_\ell)$ and $\mu = (\mu_1 \geq \dots \geq \mu_m)$.

Defn: A semistandard tableau of shape μ and type λ is a left-justified array of natural numbers $\{1, \dots, \ell\}$ with m rows and μ_i numbers in each row where j occurs λ_j times.

Example $n=4$

Type (4):

1	1	1	1
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Type (3+1):

1	1	2
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1	1	1
2		

Type (2+2):

1	1	2	2
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1	1	2
2		

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1	1
2	2

Type (2+1+1):

1	1	2	3
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1	1	2
3		

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1	1	3
2		

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1	1
2	3

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1	1
2	3

Type (1+1+1+1):

1	2	3	4
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1	2	3
4		

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1	2	4
3		

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1	3	4
2		

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1	2
3	4

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1	3
2	4

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1	2
3	4

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1	3
2	4

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1	4
2	3

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1	4
2	3

Theorem: (Robinson-Schensted-Knuth). There is a bijective correspondence between $m \times n$ non-negative integer matrices A and pairs (P, Q) of semistandard Young tableaux of the same shape, where i occurs exactly $a_{i1} + \dots + a_{im}$ times in Q and j occurs exactly $a_{1j} + \dots + a_{mj}$ times in P .

Lemma: Define $\mu \leq \lambda$ if there exists a semistandard Young tableau of shape μ and type λ . Then " $\leq$ " is a partial order on partitions of n .

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Let $m_{\nu\lambda}$ be the no. of semistandard Young tableaux of shape ν & type λ .

Example: If $\nu = \lambda$, then $m_{\nu\lambda} = 1$.

Knuth's theorem $\Rightarrow d_{\mu\lambda} = \sum_{\substack{\nu \in \mu \\ \nu \leq \lambda}} m_{\nu\mu} \times m_{\nu\lambda}$

Corollary: The irreps. of S_n are parametrized by partitions of n : $\forall \lambda \vdash n \exists$ irrep V_λ such that

$$\mathbb{C}[X_n] = \bigoplus_{\mu \leq \lambda} m_{\mu\lambda} V_\mu$$

where $m_{\mu\lambda}$ = no. of s.s. Young tableaux of shape μ & type λ .

$\dim V_\lambda$ = no. of semi standard Young tableaux of shape λ & type $(1, \dots, 1) = (1^n)$.
Standard tableaux

Proof of Lemma: Suppose $\mu \leq \lambda$, i.e., $\exists$ semistandard Young tableau of shape μ & type λ .

Then Since the columns are strictly increasing, no. of columns in μ can not exceed l .

- $m \leq l$.

All the 1's go into the first row

- $\mu_1 \geq \lambda_1$

All the 1's & 2's go into the first two rows

- ~~$\mu_2 \geq \lambda_2$~~ $\mu_1 + \mu_2 \geq \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$

$\vdots$

- ~~$\mu_m \geq \lambda_m$~~ $\mu_1 + \dots + \mu_m \geq \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m$

Conversely, if these conditions hold, one can find a semistandard Young tableau by putting in

λ_1 1's, λ_2 2's, ..., λ_l l's in order going from left to right and top to bottom.

Both transitivity & antisymmetry are clear from these conditions.

Knuth's theorem was proved by giving an explicit algorithm.

Knuth defined a function, which given a semistandard Young tableau and a ~~non-neg~~ positive integer x "inserts x into the tableau"; the new tableau has shape which is obtained by adding a box to the old shape, at position (s, t) .

Example: Insert 3 into

1	3	3	5	8
2	4	6	6	
3	5	8		
4				

to get

1	3	3	3	8
2	4	5	6	
3	5	6		
4	8			

$$(s, t) = (4, 2)$$

He also defined an inverse fu., given a ~~bas~~ semistandard Young tableau and the address of a box, it gives a Young tableau of shape obtained by removing that box.

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Given an integer matrix A , construct a "generalized permutation" as follows:

Arrange ~~rows & cols~~ entries in lexicographic order

$(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), \dots, (1,m), (2,1), \dots, (2,m), (3,1), \dots$

Given Start with $A, ()$

Find the first (i,j) where $a_{ij} > 0$.

$$A \leftarrow A - E_{ij}$$

$$X \leftarrow (X: \begin{smallmatrix} i \\ j \end{smallmatrix}) \quad \text{until } A = 0. \text{ output } X.$$

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 & 5 & 5 & 5 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

(If A were a permutation matrix the permutation corresponding to A could be obtained).

Given an array

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & \dots \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

P and Q are constructed as follows:

Sequentially: insert v_i into P , get (s_i, t_i) and insert u_i into the (s_i, t_i) th position of Q .