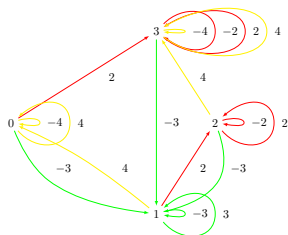


# Théorie des représentations effective des monoïdes

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# Abstract

Théorie des représentations effective pour les monoïdes finis

La théorie des représentations des algèbres de dimension finie est un sujet classique. De notre point de vue, c'est un outil puissant pour extraire des données combinatoires depuis une telle algèbre  $A$ , et ce d'autant plus qu'il est effectif. En combinatoire algébrique,  $A$  est souvent l'algèbre d'un semigroupe ou d'un monoïde  $M$ . Cette information peut-elle permettre de mieux comprendre ou au moins calculer la théorie des représentations, comme c'est le cas pour les groupes?

C'est un sujet en pleine effervescence et nous en présenterons quelques aspects. En particulier, nous montrerons comment exprimer la matrice des invariants de Cartan de l'algèbre de  $M$  sur un corps  $K$  de caractéristique zéro à l'aide de caractères et d'une statistique combinatoire simple. En particulier, elle peut être calculée efficacement. Lorsque  $M$  est aperiodique, cette approche se généralise à toute caractéristique et aux anneaux principaux comme  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

L'exposé s'appuiera sur des exemples concrets, la plupart liés aux groupes de Coxeter; la démarche exploratoire sera illustrée par quelques calculs typiques avec le logiciel Sage.

# Combinatorial Representation Theory I

Representation theory: a tool to extract combinatorics from algebras

- dimension of simple and indecomposable projective modules  
( $\mathfrak{S}[n], \mathfrak{gl}_n$ : Kostka numbers)
- induction and restrictions multiplicities  
( $\mathfrak{S}[m] \times \mathfrak{S}[n] \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}[m+n]$ : Littlewood-Richardson rules)
- Cartan invariant matrices and quivers  
( $H_n(0)$ : counting permutation by descents and recoils)
- decomposition map  
( $H_n(q \mapsto 0)$ : counting tableaux by shape and descents)

# Combinatorial Representation Theory II

Mostly effective: computer exploration !

Depending on

- the base field ( $\mathbb{Q}$  or some extension)
- the sparsity of the multiplication table
- ...

Dimension up to 50 to 2000

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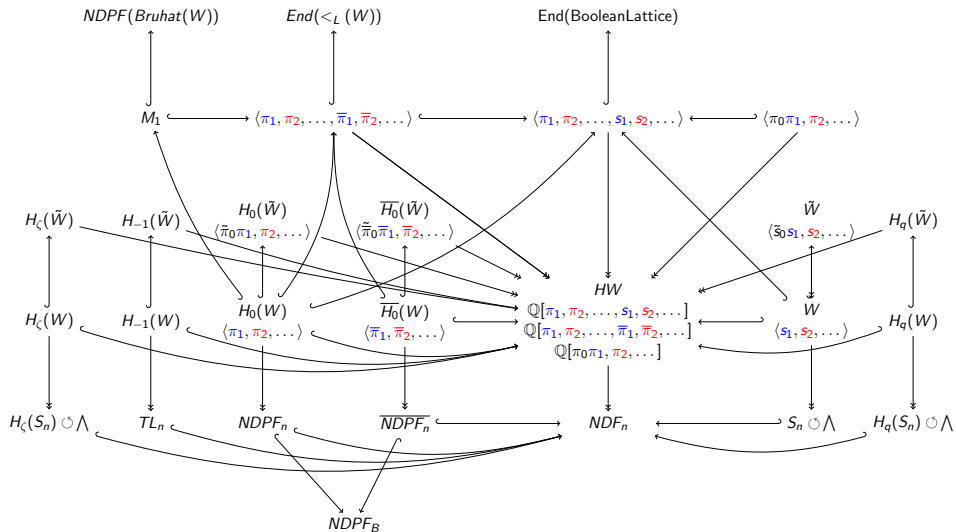
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## The Big Picture



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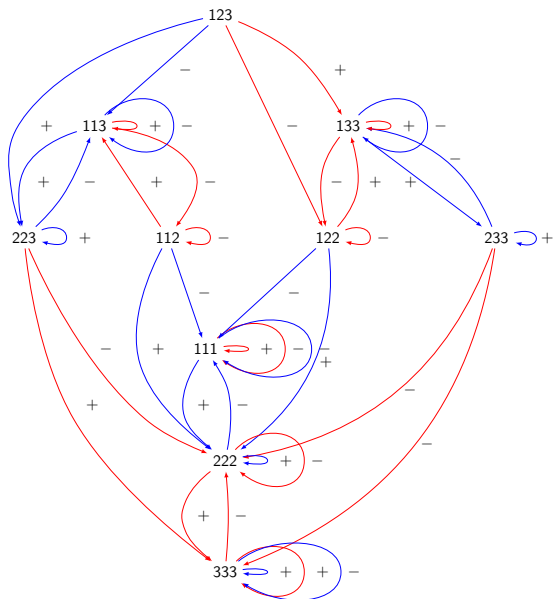
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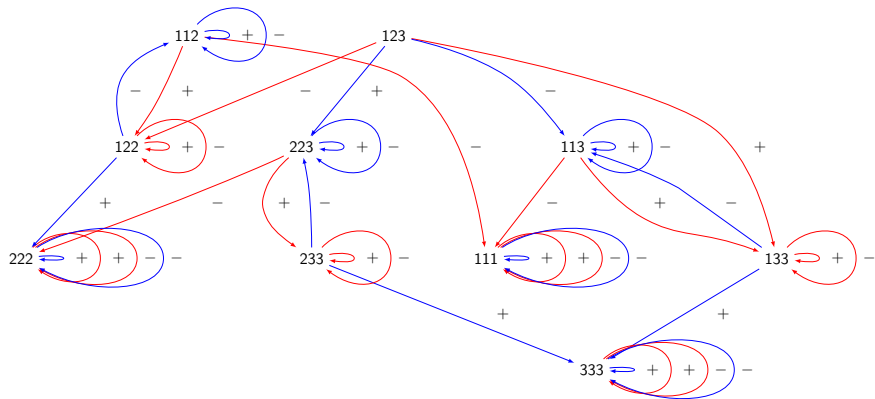
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- Take  $M := \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, m\}$
- Choose which  $(i, j)$  shall be idempotent  
Either none, or at least one per line and per column
- Set

$$(i, j) \cdot (j, k) = \begin{cases} (i, k) & \text{if } (j, i) \text{ is idempotent} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The structure of  $M$  is encoded by the **eggbox matrix**  $P$ .

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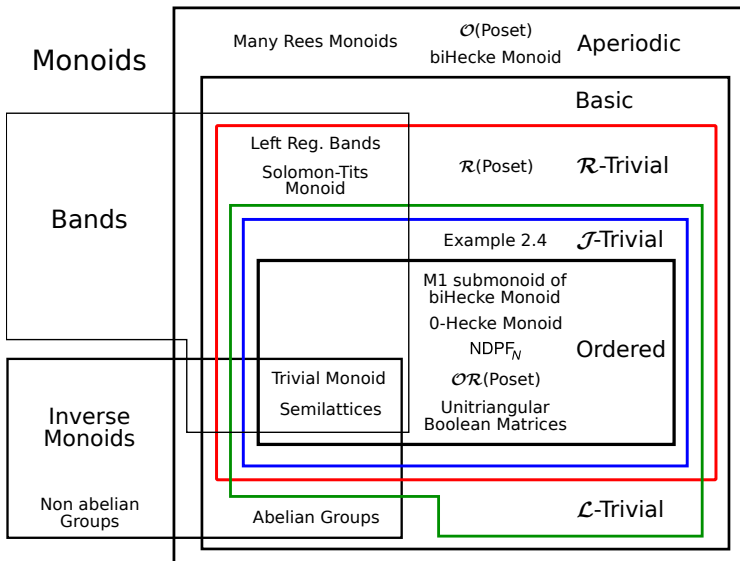
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# Zoology of monoids



# What's known about linear representations?

## Finite groups

- Semi-simple: simple = projective (characteristic 0)
- Character theory
- Fast  $o(n)$  algorithms

## Finite dimensional algebras

- One-to-one correspondance Simple - Projective modules
- Algorithmic: minimal polynomial, linear algebra:  $O(n^3)$
- In practice: dimension  $\leq 1000$

## Monoids

- In progress: Clifford, Munn, Ponizovskiĭ, Mc Alister, Putcha, Saliola, Steinberg, Margolis, ...

# Simple modules, Clifford, Munn, Ponizovskii

Let  $M$  be an aperiodic monoid

## Proposition

For  $R$  a regular  $\mathcal{R}$ -class of  $M$ ,

$$\text{rad}\mathbb{K}R = \{x \in \mathbb{K}R, x.r = 0 \forall r \in R\}$$

Equivalently:  $\text{rad}\mathbb{K}R$  is the kernel of the eggbox matrix

## Proposition

Define  $S_i := \text{top}R_i = \mathbb{K}R_i / \text{rad}\mathbb{K}R_i$

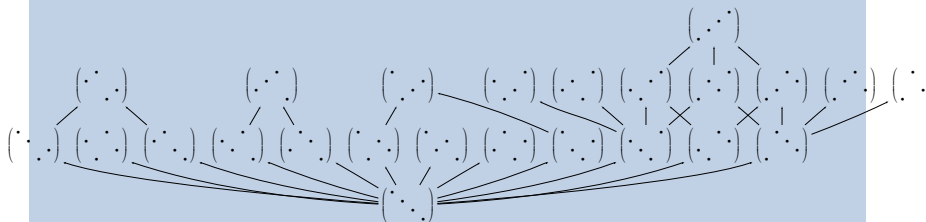
All simple modules of  $M$ :  $(S_i)_{i \in I}$

## Simple modules for the biHecke Monoid

First non trivial aperiodic monoid admitting a combinatorial description of the (dimension) of the simple modules [HST09]

### Combinatorial ingredients

- Intervals in right order  
(for right classes)
- Möbius inversion along the cutting poset  
(for moding out the radical)





# Simple modules, Clifford, Munn, Ponizovskii

## Proposition

- Take a  $J$ -class and  $G_i$  its group
- Take a simple module  $S_{i,j}^{G_i}$  of  $G_i$ .
- Define  $S_{i,j} := \text{top}(S_{i,j}^{G_i} \uparrow_{G_i}^M)$

*This construction gives each simple module of  $M$  exactly once.*

## In practice

- $\text{top}R_i$  is only semi-simple
- Decompose it further as  $G_i$ -mod

## Character table of a monoid, Mc Alister 1972

Definition (Character of an element  $x$  acting on a module  $V$ )

$\chi_V(x)$ : trace of the matrix of  $x$  acting on  $V$ .

For each  $J$ -class, take one element  $g_{i,j}$  in each conjugacy class of  $G_i$ .

Definition (Character of a module  $V$ )

$$\chi_V := \sum \chi_V(g_{i,j}) p_{i,j}$$

where  $p_{i,j}$  are formal indeterminates.

Definition (Character table)

$$(\chi_{S_{i,j}}(g_{i',j'}))_{(i,j),(i',j')}$$

# Properties of the character table

## Theorem

*For an aperiodic monoid, the character table is upper unitriangular*

*For a monoid, the character table is upper block triangular, with the blocks being the character tables of the groups  $G_i$*

## Corollary

*Characters can be used to compute composition factors!*

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# The Cartan (invariants) matrix

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$C = (c_{i,j})_{i,j}$ , with:

$$c_{i,j} = |\{k, A_{k+1}/A_k \approx_{A-\text{mod } -A} S_i \otimes S_j\}|$$

Equivalent definitions:

- On the left:  $[P_j] = \sum_i c_{i,j}[S_i]$
- On the right:  $[P_i] = \sum_j c_{i,j}[S_j]$
- Dimension of sandwiches by idempotents:  $c_{i,j} = \dim e_i A e_j$

## Cartan matrix by orthogonal idempotents

1. Build a decomposition of the identity into orthogonal idempotents  $e_i$
2. Compute  $e_i A e_j$
3. Build the projective modules as  $e_i A$

### Problem

*Non trivial construction!*

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## Cartan matrix by orthogonal idempotents

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## Cartan matrix of a monoid by characters

Let  $M$  be a finite monoid

$(g_i)_{i \in I}$ : representatives of the conjugacy classes

Define the matrix  $\bar{C} = (\bar{c}_{i,j})_{i,j \in I}$  by

$$\bar{c}_{i,j} := |\{s \in M, g_i s g_j^* = s\}|.$$

### Lemma (T'11)

*The bi-character of  $\mathbb{K}M$  is given by*

$$\chi_{\mathbb{K}M} = \sum_{i,j \in I} \bar{c}_{i,j} p_i \otimes p_j^*.$$

# Cartan matrix for a general monoid

## Algorithm to compute the Cartan matrix

- Build the simple modules (linear algebra)
- Compute the character table, i.e. the change of basis  $p_i \mapsto s_i$
- Compute the matrix  $C$  (purely combinatorial)
- Apply the change of bases  $p_i \otimes p_j^* \mapsto s_i \otimes s_j^*$

## Cartan matrix for aperiodic monoids

### Remark

- *The composition series of  $\mathbb{Q}[M]$  refines the decomposition of  $M$  into  $\mathcal{J}$ -classes*
- *For  $J$  a  $\mathcal{J}$ -class of the form  $L \times R$ :*

$$\mathbb{Q}J \approx_{\mathbb{Q}[M]\text{-mod} - \mathbb{Q}[M]} \mathbb{Q}L \otimes \mathbb{Q}R$$

### Proposition (T'11)

$M_L$ : decomposition matrix of left class modules into simples

$M_R$ : decomposition matrix of right class modules into simples

Then,  $C = M_L^t M_R$

Remark:  $M_L$  and  $M_R$  are upper unitriangular on regular  $\mathcal{J}$ -classes

## Cartan matrix of aperiodic monoids

### Algorithm [T'11]

Input: an aperiodic monoid

1. Construct representatives of left and right class modules
2. Construct the simple modules as quotients thereof
3. Compute the character table
4. Compute the character of each left and right class module
5. Compute the decomposition matrices  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  and  $M_{\mathcal{R}}$

Output: The cartan matrix  $C = M_{\mathcal{L}}^t M_{\mathcal{R}}$

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## Cartan matrix of monoids in characteristic zero

Same principle, with some complications

### Remark

For a  $\mathcal{J}$ -class  $J$ :

$$\mathbb{K}J \approx_{\mathbb{K}M\text{-mod}} \mathbb{K}M \quad \mathbb{K}L \otimes_{\mathbb{K}G} \mathbb{K}R$$

### Algorithm [T'11]

- For each  $\mathcal{J}$ -class  $J$ , regular or not
  - Compute the group  $G$
  - Compute the  $M\text{-mod-}G$  character of  $\mathbb{K}L$
  - Compute the  $G\text{-mod-}M$  character of  $\mathbb{K}R$
  - Recombine the information to get the  $M\text{-mod-}M$  character of  $\mathbb{K}J$
- Collect all and change basis