

# Representations of the two-boundary Temperley-Lieb algebras

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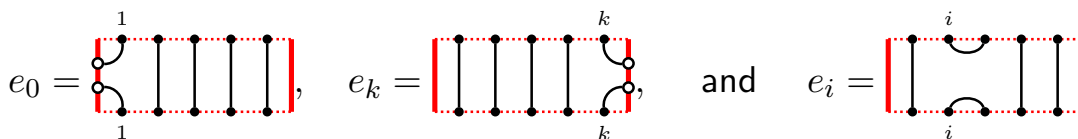
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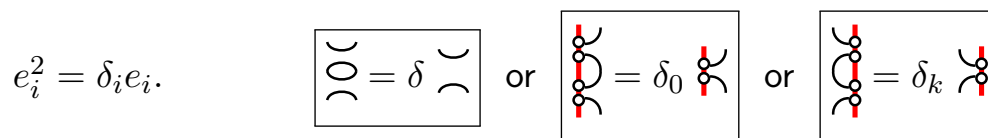
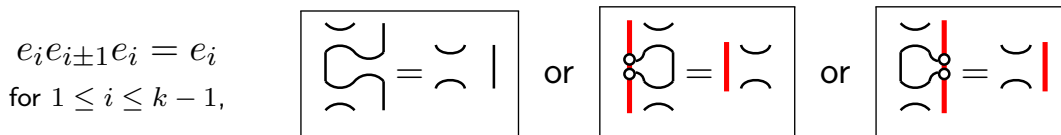
## Two-boundary Temperley-Lieb algebras

Mitra, Nienhuis, De Gier, Batchelor (2004), De Gier, Nichols (2009):

Fix  $z, \delta_0, \delta_k \in \mathbb{C}$ . The *two-boundary Temperley-Lieb algebra*  $TL_k$  is a diagram algebra generated over  $\mathbb{C}$  by diagrams

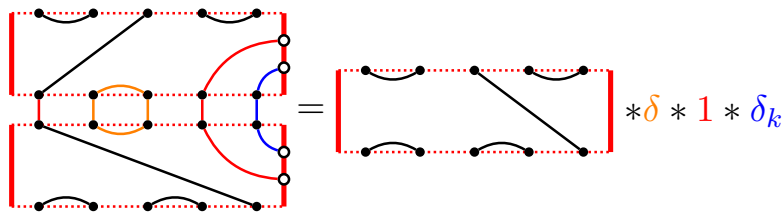


for  $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$ , with relations  $e_i e_j = e_j e_i$  for  $|i - j| > 1$ ,



(Side loops are resolved with a 1 or a  $\delta_i$  depending on whether there are an even or odd number of connections below their lowest point.)

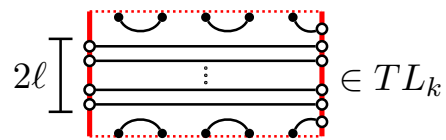
## Diagram multiplication:



In short,  $TL_k$  has basis given by non-crossing diagrams with

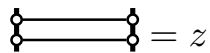
- (1)  $k$  connections to the top and to the bottom,
- (2) an even number of connections to the right and to the left, and
- (3) no edges with both ends on the left or both ends on the right.

However,

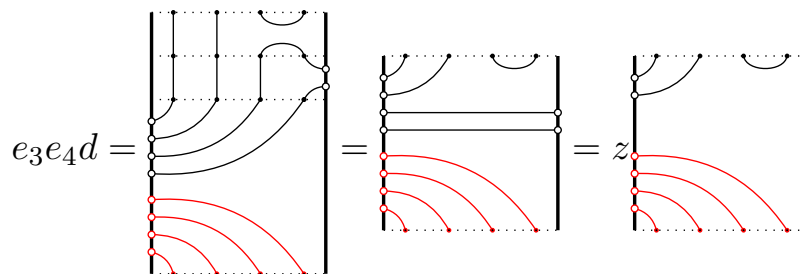
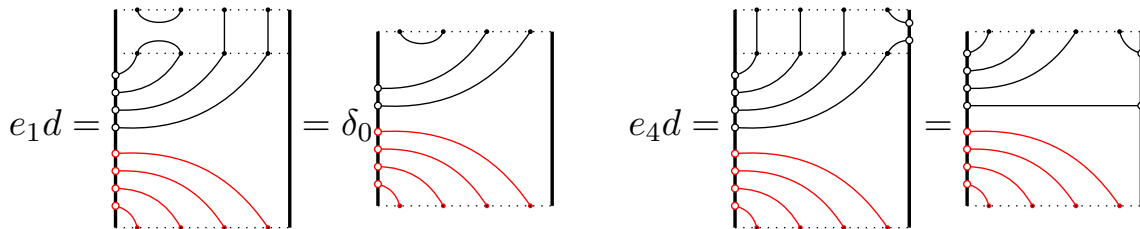
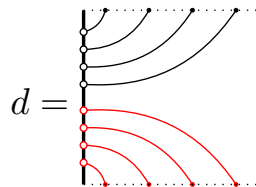


So unlike the classical T-L algebras,  $TL_k$  is not finite dimensional!

Take quotient giving



## Representation theory of $TL_k$ : action on diagrams



# Representation theory of $TL_k$ : half diagrams

$$d = \text{[Diagram: A vertical rectangle with four strands on the left wall and four strands on the right wall. Each strand on the left is connected to the strand on the right directly above it by a curved line.]}$$

$$e_1 d = \text{[Diagram: A vertical rectangle with four strands on the left wall and four strands on the right wall. The top strand on the left has a loop that crosses over the top strand on the right. The other three strands are connected straight across.]}$$

$$= \delta_0 \text{[Diagram: A vertical rectangle with four strands on the left wall and four strands on the right wall. The top strand on the left has a loop that crosses over the top strand on the right. The other three strands are connected straight across.]}$$

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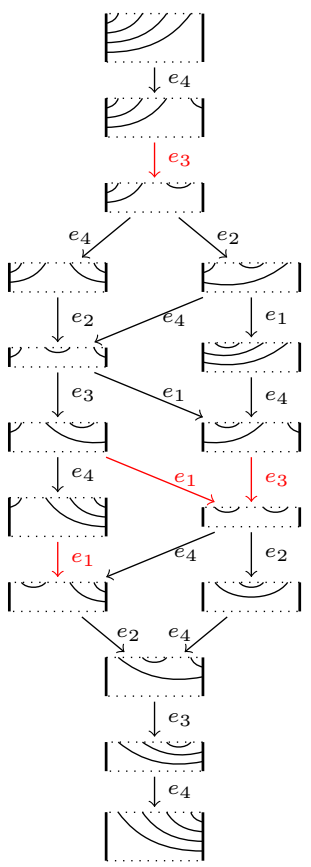
You can tell when to use

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$$= z$$

or not by the parity of connections to the left/right walls.

**Standard module:**  
 (act by  $e_i$ , don't make loops)  
 Red arrows indicate coef of  $z$ .

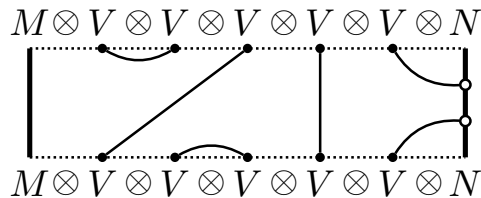


For what  $z$  does this module split?

## Actions on tensor space

Two-boundary Temperley-Lieb diagrams have a natural action on special tensor products of  $U_q\mathfrak{sl}_2$ -modules. . .

Let  $V = L(\square) = \mathbb{C}^2$ ,  $M = L(a)$ ,  $N = L(b)$  be highest-weight  $U_q\mathfrak{sl}_2$ -modules. Then  $TL_k$  acts on



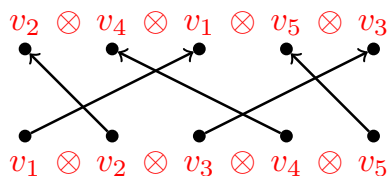
via factor permutation and projection operators (the parameters depend on  $q$ ,  $a$ , and  $b$ ). Further, this action centralizes the action of  $U_q\mathfrak{sl}_2$

## Schur-Weyl Duality

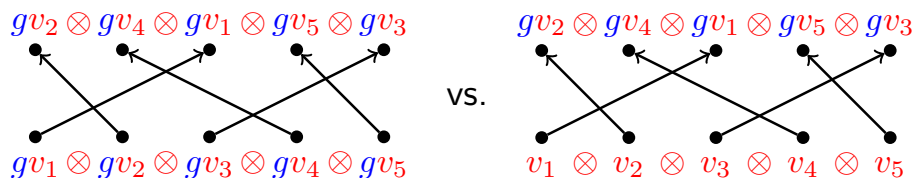
$GL_n(\mathbb{C})$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{C}^n = (\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k}$  diagonally.

$$g \cdot (v_1 \otimes v_2 \otimes \dots \otimes v_k) = gv_1 \otimes gv_2 \otimes \dots \otimes gv_k.$$

$S_k$  also acts on  $(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k}$  by place permutation.



These actions commute!



# Schur-Weyl Duality

$$\underbrace{\text{End}_{\text{GL}_n} \left( (\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k} \right)}_{\text{(all linear maps that commute with } \text{GL}_n)} = \underbrace{\pi(\mathbb{C}S_k)}_{\text{(img of } S_k \text{ action)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{End}_{S_k} \left( (\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k} \right) = \underbrace{\rho(\mathbb{C}\text{GL}_n)}_{\text{(img of } \text{GL}_n \text{ action)}}.$$

Powerful consequence: a duality between representations

The double-centralizer relationship produces

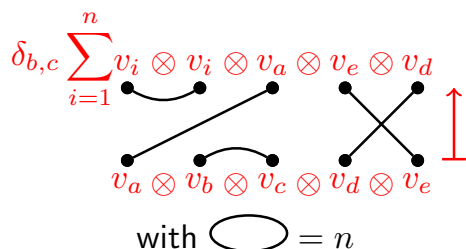
$$(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k} \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash k} G^\lambda \otimes S^\lambda \quad \text{as a } \text{GL}_n\text{-}S_k \text{ bimodule,}$$

where  $G^\lambda$  are distinct irreducible  $\text{GL}_n$ -modules  
 $S^\lambda$  are distinct irreducible  $S_k$ -modules

## More centralizer algebras

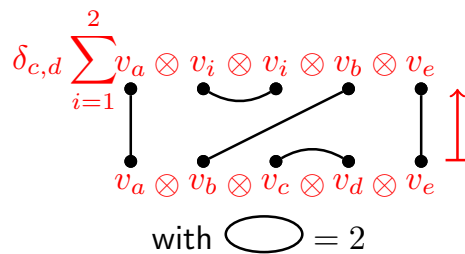
Brauer (1937)

Orthogonal and symplectic groups (and Lie algebras) acting on  $(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes k}$  diagonally centralize the **Brauer algebra**:



Temperley-Lieb (1971)

$\text{GL}_2$  and  $\text{SL}_2$  (and  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$  and  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ ) acting on  $(\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes k}$  diagonally centralize the **Temperley-Lieb algebra**:




(Diagrams encode maps  $V^{\otimes k} \rightarrow V^{\otimes k}$  that commute with the action of some classical algebra.)

## Quantum groups and braids

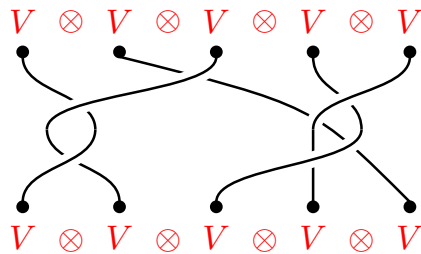
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$\mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}$  has an invertible element  $\mathcal{R} = \sum_{\mathcal{R}} R_1 \otimes R_2$  that yields a map

$$\check{\mathcal{R}}_{VW}: V \otimes W \longrightarrow W \otimes V$$


that (1) satisfies braid relations, and  
 (2) commutes with the  $\mathcal{U}$ -action on  $V \otimes W$   
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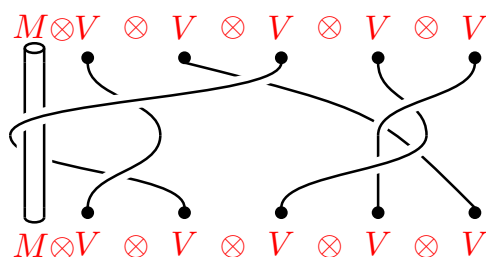
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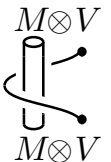
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The **one-pole/affine** braid group shares a commuting action with  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $M \otimes V^{\otimes k}$ :



Around the pole:




$$= \check{R}_{MV} \check{R}_{VM}$$

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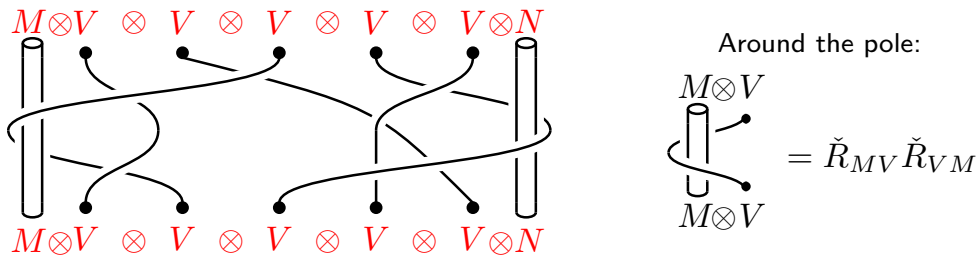
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The **two-pole** braid group shares a commuting action with  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $M \otimes V^{\otimes k} \otimes N$ :



	Universal	Type B, C, D (orthog. & sympl.)	Type A (gen. & sp. linear)	Small Type A (GL <sub>2</sub> & SL <sub>2</sub> )	
Lie grp/alg	Braid group	Brauer algebra	Sym. group	Temperley-Lieb	$V = \square$ $\Lambda \otimes \dots \otimes \Lambda$
Quantum groups	Affine braids	BMW algebra	Hecke algebra $\text{crossing} = a \text{crossing} + \text{!!}$	One-boundary TL	$M$ $(\text{q} \otimes \Lambda) \otimes M$
	Two-pole braids	Affine BMW	Affine Hecke of type A (+twists)	Two-boundary TL	$M$ $(\text{q} \otimes \Lambda) \otimes M$
		Two-pole BMW	Affine Hecke of type C (+twists)		

The **two-boundary (two-pole) braid group**  $\mathcal{B}_k$  is generated by

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subject to relations

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i.e.

$$T_i T_{i+1} T_i = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \end{array} = T_{i+1} T_i T_{i+1},$$

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$$\text{and, similarly, } T_{k-1} T_k T_{k-1} T_k = T_k T_{k-1} T_k T_{k-1}.$$

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(2) Fix constants  $t_0, t_k, t \in \mathbb{C}$ .

The **affine type C Hecke algebra**  $\mathcal{H}_k$  is the quotient of  $\mathbb{C}\mathcal{B}_k$  by the relations

$$(T_0 - t_0^{1/2})(T_0 + t_0^{-1/2}) = 0, \quad (T_k - t_k^{1/2})(T_k + t_k^{-1/2}) = 0$$

and  $(T_i - t^{1/2})(T_i + t^{-1/2}) = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k-1$ .



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so that  $e_j^2 = z_j e_j$  (for good  $z_j$ ).

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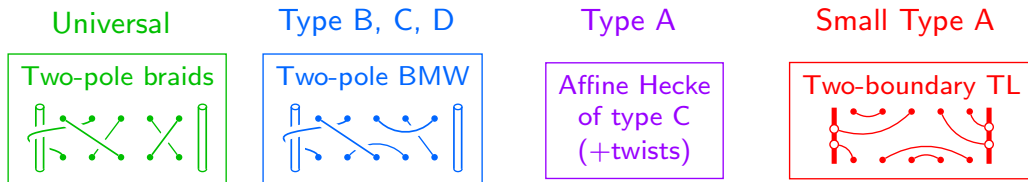
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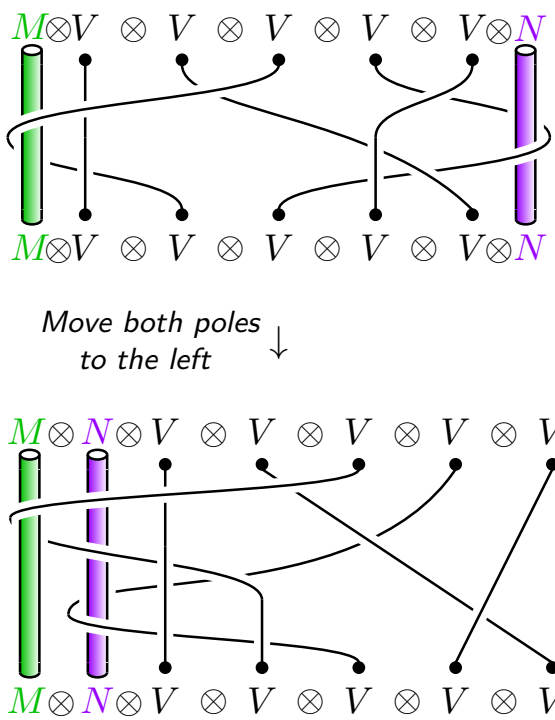
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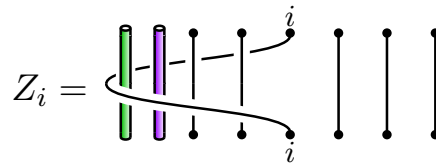
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Jucys-Murphy elements:



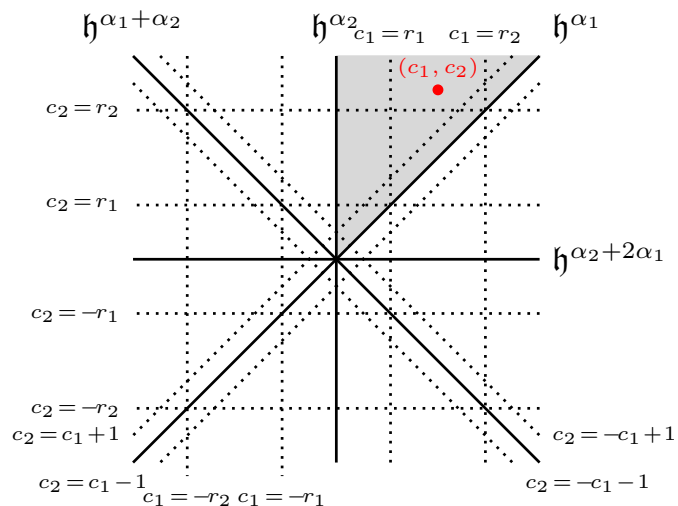
- ▶ Pairwise commute
- ▶  $Z(\mathcal{H}_k)$  is (type-C) symmetric Laurent polynomials in  $Z_i$ 's
- ▶ Central characters indexed by  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{C}^k$  (modulo signed permutations)

## Representation theory of $\mathcal{H}_k$

The representations of  $\mathcal{H}_k$  are indexed by pairs  $(\mathbf{c}, J)$ , where

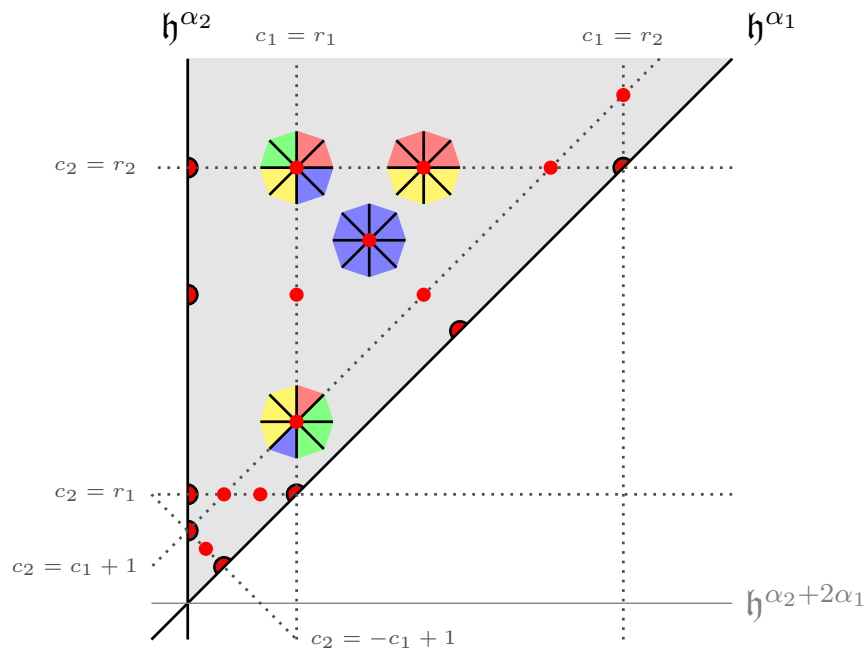
- $\mathbf{c}$  is a point in the fundamental chamber of the (finite) type C hyperplane system, and
- $J$  is a set of choices of positive/negative sides of other distinguished hyperplanes intersecting  $\mathbf{c}$

Example:  $k = 2$



The  $r_i$ s depend on  $\mathcal{H}_k$ 's parameters  $t_0$  and  $t_k$ :  $r_1 = \log_t(t_0/t_k)$ ,  $r_2 = \log_t(t_0/t_k)$

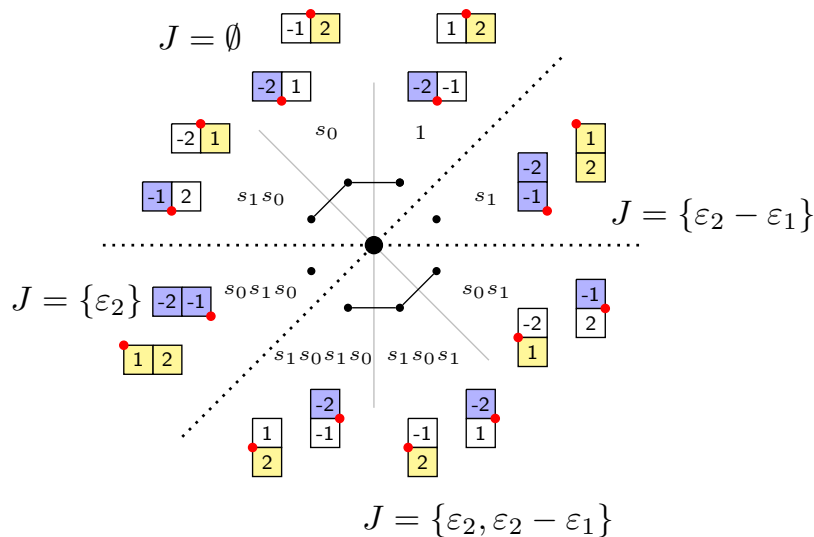
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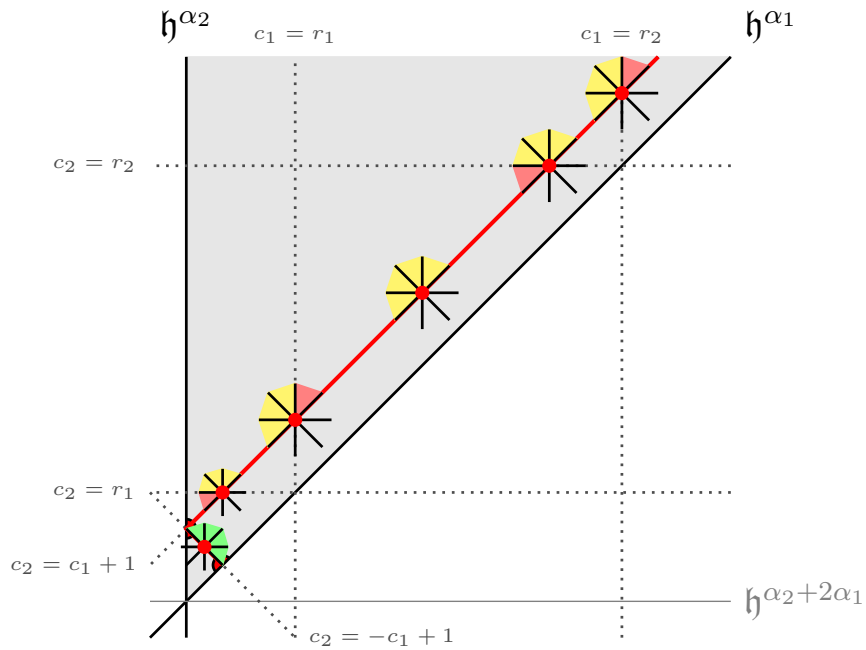


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## A little more detail

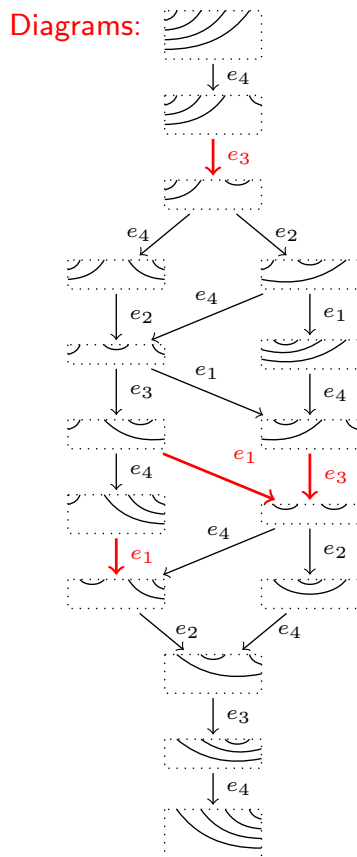
- $J$  is determined by a set of positive roots (corresp. to hyperplanes).
- For “nice” characters, there is a bijection between alcoves and marked type-C generalized Young tableaux.
- “Intertwining operators”  $\tau_i$  move between alcoves;  
dotted lines correspond to  $\tau_i = 0$ .



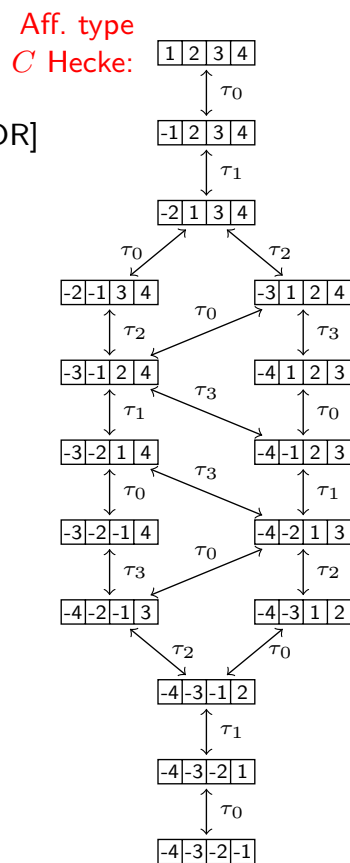


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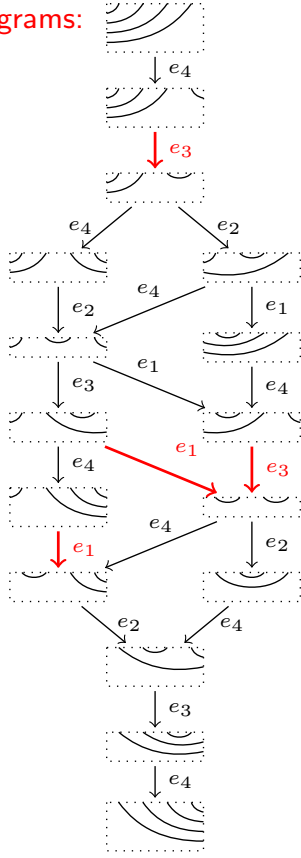
- (1) Representations of  $\mathcal{H}_k$  are indexed by pairs  $(\mathbf{c}, J)$ .
- (2) The representations of  $\mathcal{H}_k$  that factor through the Temperley-Lieb quotient are as above.



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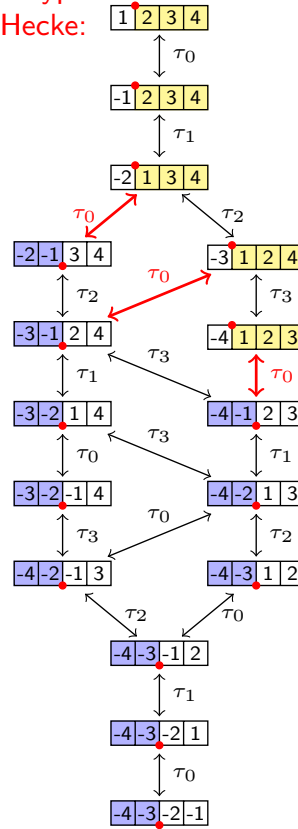


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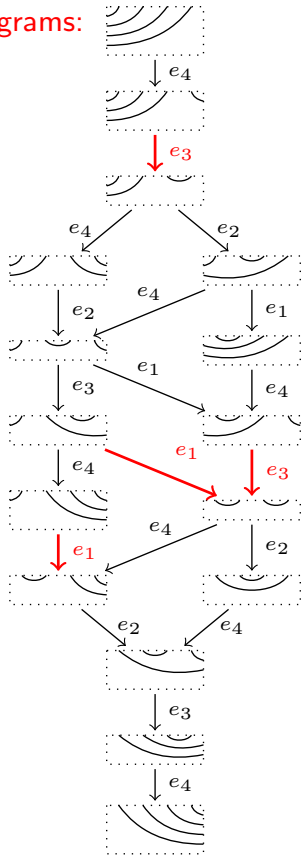


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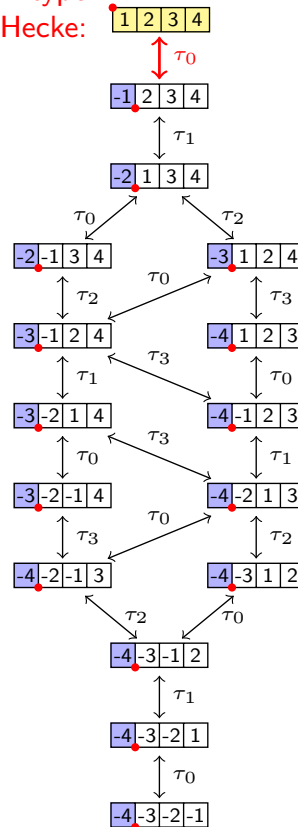


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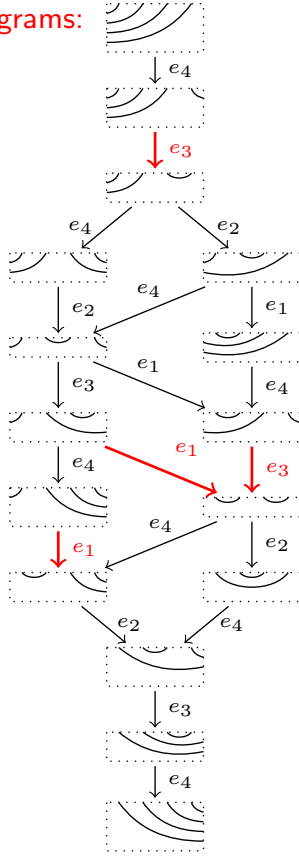


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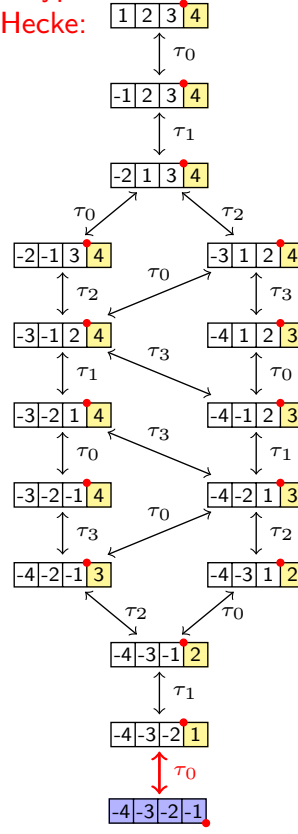


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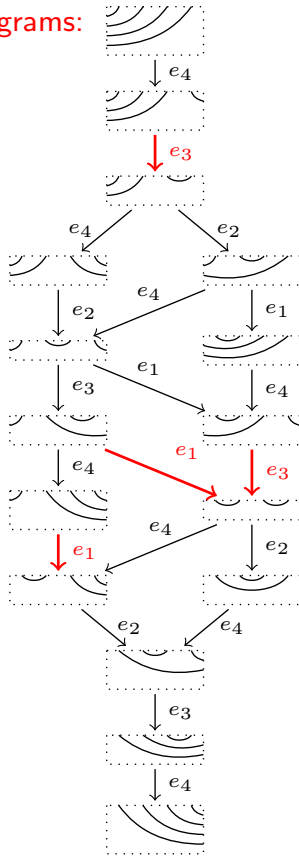


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