

# EQUIVARIANT NEURAL NETWORKS AND PIECEWISE LINEAR REPRESENTATION THEORY – SYMMETRIC GROUPS

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We assume familiarity with the main paper’s notation [GTW23b].

### 1. EXAMPLE: SYMMETRIC GROUPS

We now consider the *symmetric group*  $S_n$  on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $m_{ij} = 2$  for  $|i - j| \neq 1$ ,  $m_{ij} = 3$  otherwise. The *Coxeter presentation* of the symmetric group, that we will use, is  $S_n \cong \langle s_1, \dots, s_{n-1} \mid (s_i s_j)^{m_{ij}} = 1 \rangle$  with  $s_i$  corresponding to the simple transposition that swaps  $i$  and  $i + 1$ . The *regular  $S_n$ -representation* is the  $n!$  dimensional  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space  $R = \mathbb{R}\{x_\sigma \mid \sigma \in S_n\}$  with left and right actions

$$(1.1) \quad s_i \cdot x_\sigma = x_{s_i \sigma}, \quad x_\sigma \cdot s_i = x_{\sigma s_i}.$$

We use the ordered basis of  $R$  given by  $\{x_{\sigma_1} < \dots < x_{\sigma_n!}\}$  where  $x_\sigma \leq x_\tau$  if and only if  $\sigma$  is lexicographically smaller than  $\tau$  in one-line notation. We use the same order on  $S_n$  itself.

**Example 1.2.** We have  $S_3 = \{1 < s_2 < s_1 < s_1 s_2 < s_2 s_1 < s_2 s_1 s_2 = s_1 s_2 s_1\}$ . Let us write  $M_i = M_{s_i}$  for the left action matrix of  $s_i$ , and similar for the right action matrix. Then the left and right actions of (1.1) in matrices are:

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_1^r = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_2^r = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that  $S_3 \cong D_{2,3}$ , and in fact, the above  $S_3$ -representation is equivalent to the  $D_{2,3}$ -representation from [GTW23b, ???], but with different generators and on a differently ordered basis.  $\diamond$

Of course, (1.1) also makes sense for general elements and not just for the  $s_i$ .

**1A. Simple representations, projections and inclusions.** Let  $P(n)$  denote the set of *partitions of  $n$* . We illustrate elements of  $P(n)$  using Young diagrams in English convention. For  $\lambda \in P(n)$  let  $N(\lambda)$  denote the set of nodes of  $\lambda$  and let  $h_\lambda(n)$  denote the hook length of  $n \in N(\lambda)$ , e.g.

$$\lambda = (5, 4, 1) \rightsquigarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \color{green}{\square} & \color{green}{\square} & \color{green}{\square} \\ \hline \square & \square & \color{green}{\square} & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & & & \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow h_\lambda(n) = 4.$$

For  $\lambda \in P(n)$  we let  $\dim \lambda = n! / \prod_{n \in N(\lambda)} h_\lambda(n)$  denote the value of the *hook length formula* on  $\lambda$ .

Recall from e.g. [FH91, Section I.4] that there is a rational  $S_n$ -representation, the *Specht module*, associated to  $\lambda \in P(n)$  of dimension  $\dim \lambda$ . We denote by  $L_\lambda$  its scalar extension to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

*Remark 1A.1.* [FH91, Section I.4] use  $\mathbb{C}$  as the ground field, but they point out that everything works over  $\mathbb{Q}$  as well. In fact, Specht modules can be defined over  $\mathbb{Z}$  but that will not play any role for us.

**Lemma 1A.2.** *As real  $S_n$ -representations we have*

$$R \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P(n)} L_\lambda^{\oplus \dim \lambda}.$$

*All of the appearing real  $S_n$ -representations are simple and pairwise nonisomorphic. All simple real  $S_n$ -representations appear in this way.*

*Proof.* As for the dihedral group there is no significant difference between simple real and complex  $S_n$ -representations, so this lemma is classical. See for example [FH91, Section I.4] for a concise discussion.  $\square$

For  $\lambda \in P(n)$  let  $ST(\lambda)$  denote the set of all **standard tableaux** of shape  $\lambda$ , that is, fillings of the nodes of  $\lambda$  with the entries from  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  such that the entries strictly increase when reading along rows and columns. For example,

$$\lambda = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow ST(\lambda) = \left\{ \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array}, \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & \\ \hline \end{array} \right\}.$$

**Notation 1A.3.** Recall that  $\#ST(\lambda) = \dim \lambda$ . And we will index the simple real  $S_n$ -representations in Lemma 1A.2 by  $T \in ST(\lambda)$  and write  $L_T$  for them. Their projectors, constructed below, are denoted  $p_T$ .

The central projectors are the so-called **Young symmetrizers** and can be found in many textbooks on  $S_n$ -representations, see for example [FH91, Section I.4]. In general, **Young's seminormal basis** gives the Artin–Wedderburn decomposition. We will briefly recall what we need from this theory.

For  $T \in ST(\lambda)$  let  $r(T) \in \mathbb{R}[S_n]$  denote the formal sum of all permutations which stabilize the rows of  $T$ , and dually, let  $c(T) \in \mathbb{R}[S_n]$  be the signed formal sum of permutations that stabilize the columns of  $T$ . As one final piece of notation let  $T(n-1)$  denote the standard tableaux with  $n-1$  nodes obtained from  $T$  by removing the node with entry  $n$ .

**Lemma 1A.4.** Let  $\lambda \in P(n)$  and  $T \in ST(\lambda)$ , and set  $\kappa_\lambda = \prod_{n \in N(\lambda)} h_\lambda(n) = n! / \dim \lambda$ . We have the following inductive formulas. First,  $p(\emptyset) = 1$ , and otherwise

$$p_T = \frac{1}{\kappa_\lambda} p_{T(n-1)} r(T) c(T) p_{T(n-1)} \in \mathbb{R}[S_n].$$

*Proof.* Since the theories over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  coincide, explicit forms for these projectors are well-known, see for example [JK81, Section 3.2].  $\square$

The projectors to  $L_T$ , obtained by replacing  $\sigma \in S_n$  by its right action matrix as in (1.1), are denoted by the same symbol. We will write  $\vec{p}_T \in \mathbb{R}^{n!}$  for the coefficient vector that one gets when one writes  $p_T$  in the basis of  $\mathbb{R}[S_n]$  fixed above.

**Notation 1A.5.** We want to give matrices so we fix an order on standard tableaux as follows: Let  $\lambda, \lambda' \in P(n)$  be the partitions underlying  $T$  and  $T'$ , respectively. Then  $T \leq T'$  if and only if ( $\lambda$  is smaller or equal to  $\lambda'$  lexicographically, and if  $\lambda = \lambda'$  then additionally  $col(T) \leq col(T')$  lexicographically) where  $col()$  is the sequence of the entries in column reading.

**Example 1A.6.** For  $n = 3$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(1) &= \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}, & T(2) &= \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array}, & T(3) &= \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & \\ \hline \end{array}, & T(4) &= \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}, \\ \vec{p}_{T(1)} &= 1/6(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1), & \vec{p}_{T(2)} &= 1/6(2, -1, 2, -1, -1, -1), & \vec{p}_{T(3)} &= 1/6(2, 1, -2, -1, -1, 1), & \vec{p}_{T(4)} &= 1/6(1, -1, -1, 1, 1, -1). \end{aligned}$$

In terms of matrices we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_{T(1)} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}, & p_{T(2)} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}, & p_{T(4)} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}, \\ p_{T(3)} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

as the projectors.  $\diamond$

As for the dihedral group, the relevant change-of-basis matrix  $B \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(R)$  is defined by choosing  $\dim L_\lambda = \dim \lambda$  linearly independent rows of the projectors, collect them into a  $n!$ -by- $n!$  matrix  $Q^{-1}$ . With the same notation as for dihedral groups we get:

**Lemma 1A.7.** We have the following.

- (a) The matrix  $Q^{-1}$  is invertible, with inverse denoted by  $Q$ .
- (b) The matrix  $Q$  is  $S_n$ -equivariant and satisfies  $N_\sigma = Q^{-1} M_\sigma Q$ .

*Proof.* Using Lemma 1A.4, the arguments from [GTW23b, ???] can be copied.  $\square$

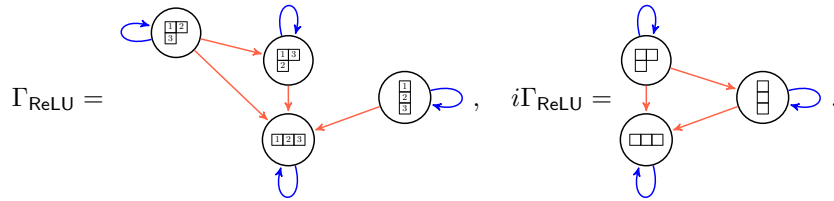
**Example 1A.8.** Again back to  $n = 3$ . We get

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix},$$

where we have chosen the first and the last row in the projectors to two dimensional summands. ◊

**1B. ReLU and symmetric groups.** We do not know a general statement for the symmetric group, and we can only discuss  $n \in \{3, 4, 5\}$ . We will also see a difference between the interaction graphs and the isotypic interaction graphs.

**Example 1B.1.** Let  $T(i)$  be as in [Example 1A.6](#). Writing  $T(i)$  instead of  $L_{T(i)}$  and similarly for the isotypic components, for  $S_3$  we get

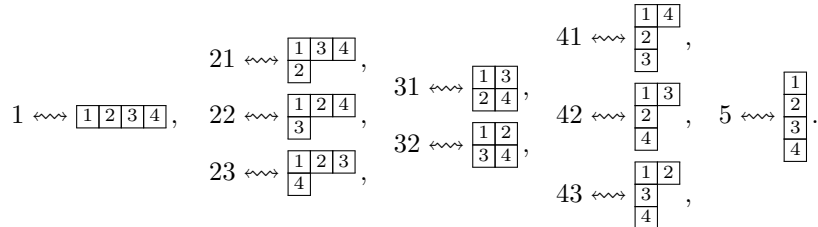


Note the asymmetry between the isomorphic  $S_3$ -representations  $L_{T(2)}$  and  $L_{T(3)}$ .

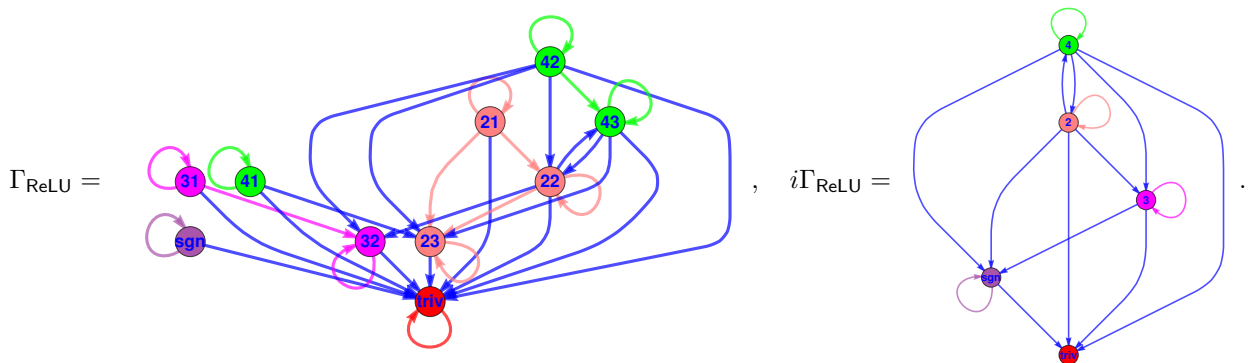
Moreover, the isotypic graph is not obtained from  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  by collapsing vertices along isomorphism classes, but the isotypic graph is the same as for the dihedral group under the isomorphism  $S_3 \cong D_{2,3}$ . ◊

*Remark 1B.2.* [Example 1B.1](#) shows that the interaction graphs crucially depend on the choice of projectors: The projectors to isotypic components are canonical and indeed the isotypic intersection graphs for the dihedral group and the symmetric group are the same. The projectors to the simple summands are not canonical and the different choices for the dihedral group and the symmetric group changed the intersection graphs.

**Example 1B.3.** For  $S_4$  the pattern of the graph  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  is already quite sophisticated. Let us therefore also display  $i\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$ . Before we display the graphs, let us fix the notation:

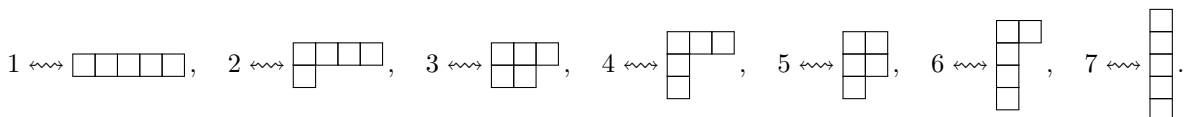


Only keeping the first entry gives the isotypic components. In this notation one gets (the colors are a visual aid only and indicate isotypic components):

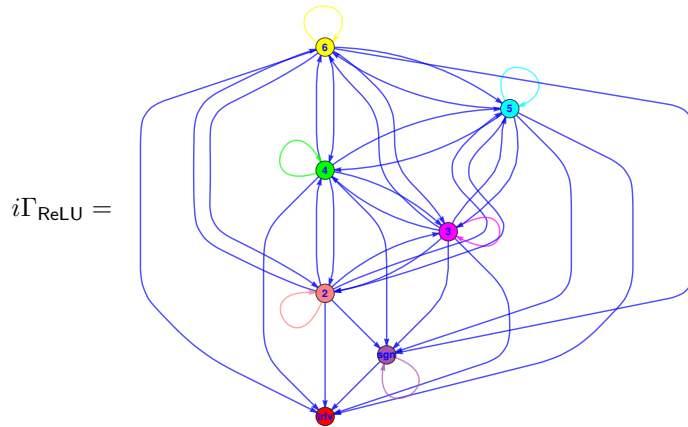


These graphs can be produced with the Mathematica code available on [\[GTW23a\]](#). ◊

**Example 1B.4.** Let us fix the following notation for the seven partitions of five:

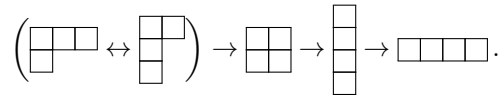


The standard tableaux are ordered such that column reading is minimized, see [Example 1B.3](#) for the  $n = 4$  case. For  $S_5$  the graph, using the same color code as in [Example 1B.3](#),  $i\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  is



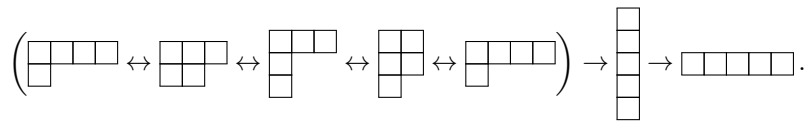
The graph  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  itself is large, so we do not display it here. It can be produced using the Mathematica code available on [\[GTW23a\]](#).  $\diamond$

*Remark 1B.5.* The order on partitions that comes from  $i\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  in [Example 1B.3](#) is



Thus, the standard  $S_4$ -representation corresponding to  $\begin{smallmatrix} \square & \square & \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}$  and its conjugate are the easiest ones with respect to [\[GTW23b, ???\]](#).

For  $S_5$  we get



from [Example 1B.4](#).

**Theorem 1B.6.** *We have the following regarding  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  and  $i\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$ .*

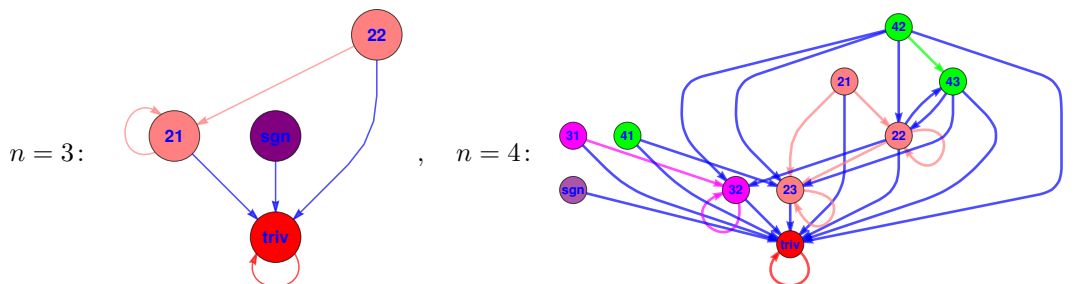
- (a) All  $L$  have an edge to the trivial  $S_n$ -representation  $L_1$ .
- (b) The interaction graphs  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  for  $S_3$  and  $S_4$ , and  $i\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  for  $S_5$  are as in [Example 1B.1](#), [Example 1B.3](#) and [Example 1B.4](#). The remaining ones can be displayed using the code on available on [\[GTW23a\]](#).

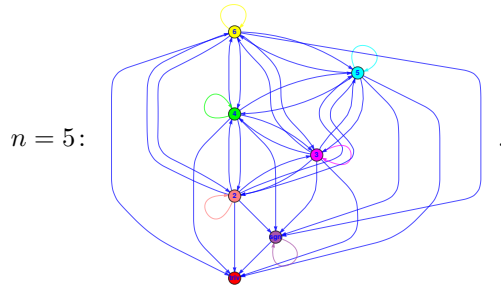
The proof of this theorem is postpone to the end of [Section 1D](#).

**1C. Absolute value and symmetric groups.** As for ReLU, we only have restricted knowledge of the pattern:

**Theorem 1C.1.** *We have the following regarding  $\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$  and  $i\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$ .*

- (a) All  $L$  have an edge to the trivial  $S_n$ -representation  $L_1$ .
- (b) The interaction graphs  $\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$  for  $S_3$  and  $S_4$ , and  $i\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$  for  $S_5$  are





The remaining ones can be displayed using the code on available on [GTW23a].

As for ReLU, the proof will follow below.

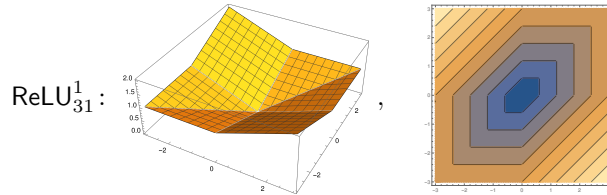
1D. **The piecewise linear maps for the symmetric group.** Let us first discuss  $n = 4$  and the piecewise linear maps to the trivial  $S_4$ -representation. With the notation in Example 1B.3, we will explicitly give

$$\text{ReLU}_1^1, \text{ReLU}_{21}^1, \text{ReLU}_{31}^1, \text{ReLU}_4^1,$$

and the remaining maps are similar.

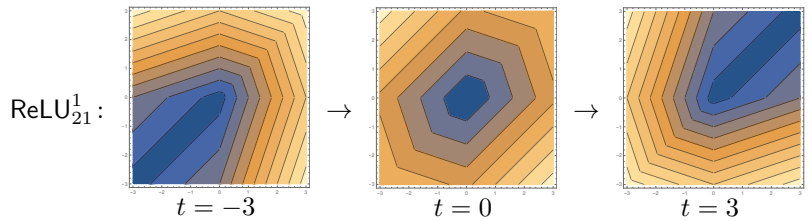
First,  $\text{ReLU}_1^1$  is just ReLU and  $\text{ReLU}_5^1$  is Abs, as before.

The piecewise linear map  $\text{ReLU}_{31}^1$  can be illustrated via level sets and we get

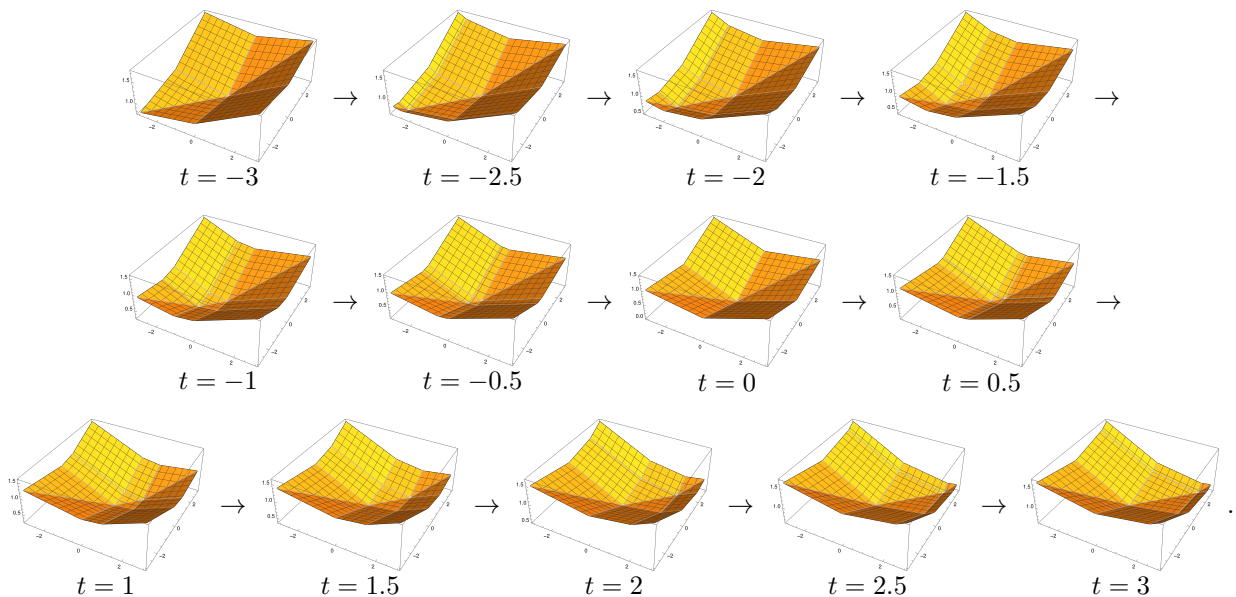


Surprisingly, this map is the same as  $\text{ReLU}_{21}^1$  for  $S_3$ .

Finally,  $\text{ReLU}_{21}^1$  is a map  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , which we illustrate as a movie thinking of the final entry as time. That is, we think of  $\text{ReLU}_{21}^1$  as  $f(x, y, t)$ , display  $f(x, y, t)$  for fixed  $t$  and then vary  $t$ . What one gets is a map



with level sets for  $t = -3, t = 0$  and  $t = 3$ . The movie reads as



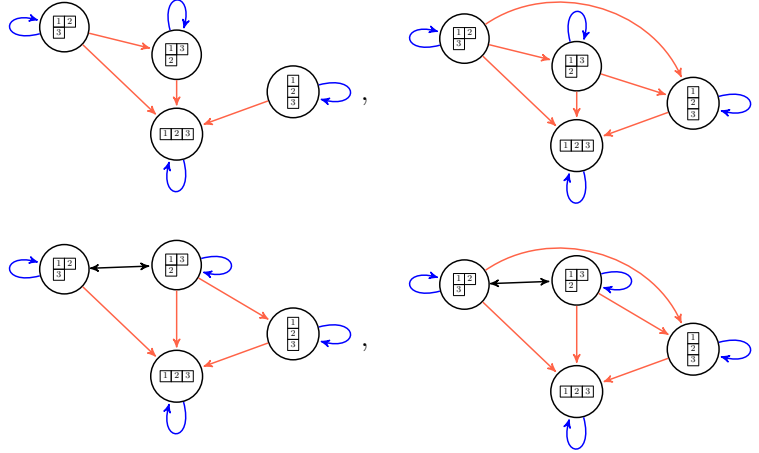
An honest movie of this map is available at [GTW23a].

*Proof of Theorem 1B.6 and Theorem 1C.1.* (a) follows from [GTW23b, ???].

Part (b) is a computer calculation, see the discussion above for  $n = 3$  and  $n = 4$ , and partially for  $n = 5$ . The code is available at [GTW23a].  $\square$

**1E. Minimal interaction graphs for the symmetric group with six elements.** Recall that interaction graphs in general depend on the choice of idempotents, cf. [GTW23b, ???]. In particular, the interaction graph for  $S_n$  depends on this choice whenever  $n \geq 3$ .

**Example 1E.1.** Here are a few example of how  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$  could be:



The northwest graph in Theorem 1E.2 is the one for the Young idempotents and the southeast graph is the one for the dihedral idempotents under the identification  $S_3 \cong D_{2,3}$ .  $\diamond$

For  $n = 3$  we can classify the interaction graphs:

**Theorem 1E.2.** *The interaction graph for the Young idempotents is minimal. The case of  $\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$  is verbatim.*

*Proof.* This boils down to a minimization problem after observing that the only choice involved in this case is the choice of a 4-4 idempotent matrix. The code verifying this is available at [GTW23a].  $\square$

**1F. The polynomial representation of the symmetric groups.** Assume  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 3}$ . There is another  $S_n$ -representation which is much smaller than  $R$ : the **polynomial representation**  $\text{Fun}(n, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Fun}(\{1, \dots, n\}, \mathbb{R})$ . For it we have a complete answer regarding ReLU and Abs as we will see in this section.

**Lemma 1F.1.** *Let  $(n)$  and  $(n-1, 1)$  denote the respective partitions of  $n$ .*

(a) *As real  $S_n$ -representations we have*

$$\text{Fun}(n, \mathbb{R}) \cong L_{(n)} \oplus L_{(n-1,1)}.$$

(b) *The  $S_n$ -equivariant change-of-basis matrix is given by  $\mathbf{Q} = ((1, \dots, 1), e_1 - e_2, \dots, e_1 - e_n)$ .*

(c)  *$\mathbf{Q}$  is invertible with inverse given by*

$$\mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -(n-1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

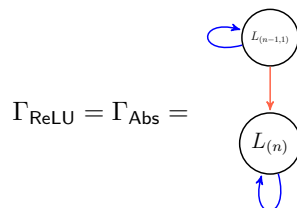
*Proof.* Easy and omitted.  $\square$

**Theorem 1F.2.** *Consider the interaction graph  $\Gamma_{\text{ReLU}}$ . Every vertex has a loop. Moreover, there is a non-loop edge from  $L_{(n-1,1)}$  to  $L_{(n)}$ .*

*The interaction graph  $\Gamma_{\text{Abs}}$  is exactly the same, and similarly for the isotypic interaction graphs.*

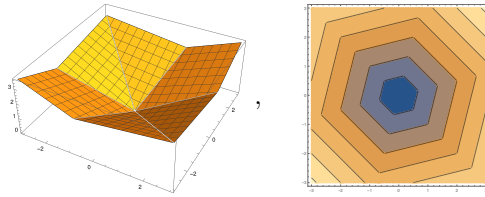
*Proof.* This can be directly read-off from  $\mathbf{Q}$  and its inverse  $\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$  as in Lemma 1F.1.  $\square$

**Example 1F.3.** Independent of  $n$  we have

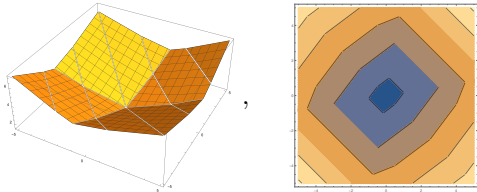


for both, ReLU and Abs.  $\diamond$

The explicit description of  $\text{ReLU}_{(n-1,1)}^{(n)}: L_{(n-1,1)} \rightarrow L_{(n)}$  is not difficult. Identifying  $L_{(n-1,1)} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  and  $L_{(n)} \cong \mathbb{R}$  shows that  $\text{ReLU}_{(n-1,1)}^{(n)}$  can be seen as a map  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Fixing all but two coordinates to be zero gives a map  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which can be illustrated by now familiar pictures:



This description is independent of  $n$ . Varying the coordinates set to zero to other values creates new hyperplanes, e.g.:



An animation of this can be found on [GTW23a].

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