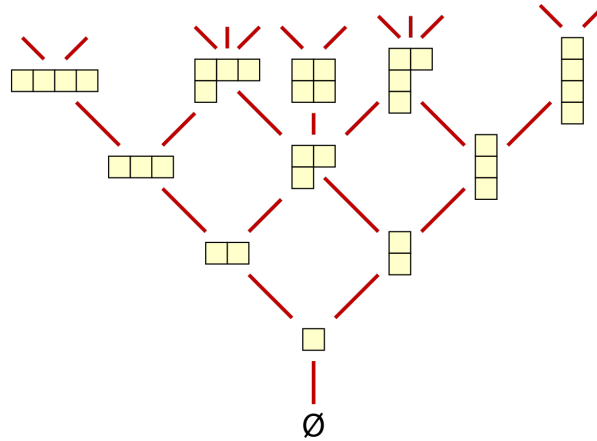


EXERCISES 9: LECTURE REPRESENTATION THEORY

Exercise 1. The picture



shows the so-called Young lattice. Explain its importance for the representation theory of the symmetric group.

Exercise 2. Here is the character table of S_5 :

-----	Class		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Size		1	10	15	20	30	24	20	
Order		1	2	2	3	4	5	6	

p = 2		1	1	1	4	3	6	4	
p = 3		1	2	3	1	5	6	2	
p = 5		1	2	3	4	5	1	7	

X.1	+	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
X.2	+	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	
X.3	+	4	-2	0	1	0	-1	1	
X.4	+	4	2	0	1	0	-1	-1	
X.5	+	5	1	1	-1	-1	0	1	
X.6	+	5	-1	1	-1	1	0	-1	
X.7	+	6	0	-2	0	0	1	0	

Verify that this is indeed the character table of S_5 using the theory of Specht modules.

Exercise 3. The following Young diagrams are of the form $(n - 1, 1)$:

$$n = 1: \square, \quad n = 2: \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad n = 3: \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad n = 4: \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & & \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad \text{etc.}$$

Show that the associated Specht module is the quotient of the permutation representation of S_n on \mathbb{C}^n by the fixed vector $(1, \dots, 1)$.

Exercise 4. Here is the character table of S_3 :

Class		1	2	3
Size		1	3	2
Order		1	2	3

p	=	2	1	1 3
p	=	3	1	2 1

X.1	+	1	1	1
X.2	+	1	-1	1
X.3	+	2	0	-1

What happens to the Specht module for the representation of dimension two, so the partition $(2, 1)$, in the case where the underlying field is of characteristic three?

- ▶ The exercises are optimal and not mandatory. Still, they are highly recommend.
- ▶ There will be 12 exercise sheets, all of which have four exercises.
- ▶ The sheets can be found on the homepage www.dtubbenhauer.com/lecture-rt-2022.html.
- ▶ Slogan: “Everything that could be finite is finite, unless stated otherwise.”. For example, groups are finite and representations are on finite dimensional vector spaces.
- ▶ There might be typos on the exercise sheets, my bad, so be prepared.