

# REPRESENTATIONS OF $GL(n)$ OVER A $p$ -ADIC FIELD WITH AN IWAHORI-FIXED VECTOR

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## ABSTRACT

An elementary proof of Zelevinsky's classification for representations of  $GL(n)$  with an Iwahori-fixed vector is given using the theory of Hecke algebras.

Let  $G$  be the group of  $F$ -rational points of a connected, reductive, algebraic group over a  $p$ -adic field and let  $I$  be an Iwahori subgroup of  $G$ . The Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}$  of compactly supported functions on  $G$  which are right and left invariant under  $I$  is a finitely-generated algebra which can be given explicitly in terms of generators and relations. It is also known that there is an equivalence between the category of admissible representations of  $G$  which are generated by their spaces of  $I$ -fixed vectors and the category of finite-dimensional  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules (this is a theorem of Bernstein, Borel, and Matsumoto). Therefore a special class of representations of  $G$  can be approached through the study of the explicitly given algebra  $\mathcal{H}$ .

In this paper we give a proof of the classification theorems for irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules for the case  $G = GL_n(F)$  using the methods developed in [4]. The results proved here are special cases of results of A. Zelevinsky ([5]) on representations of  $GL_n(F)$ . However, Zelevinsky's proofs make essential use of the group  $GL_n(F)$ , whereas the methods used here refer only to the algebra  $\mathcal{H}$ . Thus, the parameter  $q$  which enters into the defining relations of  $\mathcal{H}$  is constrained to be a power of a prime in Zelevinsky's work, while the proofs given here apply to more general values of  $q$ . Nevertheless, many ideas used here come from Zelevinsky's work.

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Since the completion of this paper, some very important work of Lusztig, Kazhdan and Lusztig, and Ginsburg has appeared in pre-print form. This work, motivated by conjectures of Lusztig, gives a  $K$ -theoretic approach to the construction of irreducible modules over Hecke algebras for general groups. The reader is also referred to recent pre-prints of Howe, Waldspurger–Moeglin, and Waldspurger, which deal with generalized Hecke algebras associated to supercuspidal representations.

Throughout this paper,  $F$  denotes a  $p$ -adic field with ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}$ . Let  $\pi$  be a fixed prime element in  $F$  and let  $G$  denote  $GL_n(F)$ . Let  $q = \text{Card}(\mathcal{O}/(\pi))$ .

**§1. The Hecke algebra for  $G$**

The symmetric group  $S_n$  will be denoted by  $W$  and the set of generating transpositions  $\{s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}\}$ , with  $s_j = (j, j + 1)$ , will be denoted by  $S$ . The pair  $(W, S)$  is a Coxeter group and its associated Hecke algebra is the  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra with generators  $\{T_w : w \in W\}$  and relations:

$$T_x T_y = T_{xy} \quad \text{if } l(xy) = l(x) + l(y),$$

$$T_{s_j}^2 = (q - 1)T_{s_j} + q, \quad j = 1, \dots, n - 1$$

where  $l : W \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  is the length function on  $W$  relative to  $S$ . This algebra will be denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_W$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_1^{-1}, \dots, x_n^{-1}]$  be the algebra of Laurent polynomials in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . The group  $W$  acts on  $\mathcal{A}$  by permuting the variables:  $w x_j = x_{w(j)}$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the algebra generated by  $\mathcal{H}_W$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  subject to the relations:

$$x_i T_{s_j} = T_{s_j} x_i \quad \text{if } |i - j| > 1,$$

$$x_i T_{s_i} = T_{s_i} x_{i+1} - (q - 1)x_{i+1},$$

$$x_{i+1} T_{s_i} = T_{s_i} x_i + (q - 1)x_{i+1}.$$

Every element of  $\mathcal{H}$  has unique expressions of the form

$$T = \sum_{w \in W} a_w T_w = \sum_{w \in W} a'_w$$

for some  $a_w, a'_w \in \mathcal{A}$ .

By a theorem of Bernstein and Zelevinsky,  $\mathcal{H}$  is isomorphic to the Hecke algebra of  $G$  with respect to an Iwahori subgroup. More precisely, let

$$I = \{(g_{ij}) \in GL_n(\mathcal{O}) : g_{ij} \in \pi \mathcal{O} \text{ if } i > j\}$$

be the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G$  and let  $C_c(G//I)$  denote the algebra of compactly supported functions  $f$  and  $G$  such that  $f(xgy) = f(g)$  for all  $g \in G$  and  $x, y \in I$ . The product of two such functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  is given by convolution:

$$f_1 * f_2(g) = \int_G f_1(h)f_2(h^{-1}g)dh$$

where  $dh$  is the Haar measure on  $G$  such that  $\text{meas}(I) = 1$ .

**THEOREM 1.1 (Bernstein–Zelevinsky).** *The algebra  $\mathcal{H}$  is isomorphic to  $C_c(G//I)$ .*

A similar description, also due to Bernstein and Zelevinsky, of Hecke algebras of more general group is also valid. Proofs can be found in [2].

Let  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{C})$ . A character  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$  will be identified with a sequence  $\chi = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n]$  of non-zero complex numbers defined by:  $\chi(x_i) = \chi_1$ . The group  $W$  acts on  $\mathcal{C}$  in the usual way:  $w_\chi(x) = \chi(w^{-1}(x))$  for  $w \in W$ ,  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , and  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ .

To each partition  $(n_1, \dots, n_t)$  of  $n$  we associate a subset  $T$  of  $S$  as follows:  $s_j \in T$  if  $j \neq \sum_{k=1}^l n_k$  for all  $l = 1, \dots, t$ . Let  $W_T$  denote the (parabolic) subgroup of  $W$  generated by  $T$  and let  $\mathcal{H}_T$  denote the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\{T_w : w \in W_T\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_T$  is clearly isomorphic to the Hecke algebra (with respect to an Iwahori subgroup) of  $GL_{n_1}(F) \times \dots \times GL_{n_t}(F)$ . Denote the longest element in  $W_T$  by  $w_T$ .

**§2.  $\mathcal{H}$ -Modules**

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  denote the category of finite-dimensional  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules. Throughout, all  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules will be assumed finite-dimensional.

For  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\psi \in \mathcal{C}$ , set:

$$M_\psi = \{m \in M : xm = \psi(x)m \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{A}\},$$

$$M_\psi^{\text{gen}} = \{m \in M : (x - \psi(x))^t m = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{A}, \text{ some } t \in \mathbb{Z}^+\},$$

$$P(M) = \{\psi \in \mathcal{C} : M_\psi \neq 0\}.$$

Elements of  $P(M)$  will be called weights of  $M$ . We have:

$$M = \bigoplus_{\psi \in P(M)} M_\psi^{\text{gen}}.$$

For each  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , we define an  $\mathcal{H}$ -module  $I(\chi)$  explicitly as follows. As a basis for  $I(\chi)$ , we take elements  $\phi_w$  for  $w \in W$  and let  $\mathcal{H}_w$  act on  $I(\chi)$  by the left regular representation:  $\phi_w = T_w \phi_1$ ,  $T_w \phi_y = T_w T_y \phi_1$ , for  $y, w \in W$ . The action of

$\mathcal{A}$  on  $I(\chi)$  is uniquely determined by the condition:  $x\phi_i = \chi(x)\phi_i$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . By the relations between  $\mathcal{H}_w$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  given in §1, for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $w \in W$  there are unique elements  $a_{y,w,x} \in \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$xT_w = T_w w^{-1}(x) + \sum_{y < w} T_y a_{y,w,x}$$

where  $<$  denotes the Bruhat order on  $W$  with respect to  $S$ . In  $I(\chi)$ , therefore

$$x\phi_w = \chi(w^{-1}(x))\phi_w + \sum_{y < w} \chi(a_{y,w,x})\phi_y.$$

It will be convenient to identify the underlying space of  $I(\chi)$  with  $\mathcal{H}_w$  (via  $\phi_w \leftrightarrow T_w$ ); this should not cause any confusion.

For  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , let  $W_\chi = \{w_\chi : w \in W\}$  denote the  $W$ -orbit of  $\chi$ . As noted in [4],  $P(I(\chi)) = W_\chi$  and an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -module  $M$  is a quotient of  $I(\chi)$  if and only if  $\chi \in P(M)$ .

We now recall some notation and results from [4]. For  $w \in W$ , let  $C_w$  and  $C'_w$  denote the Kazhdan–Lusztig elements of  $\mathcal{H}_w$  associated to  $w$ . These elements of the Hecke algebra are defined in [1]. For  $\chi = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n] \in \mathcal{C}$ , set

$$m_{s_i}(\chi) = q^{1/2} \left( \frac{\chi_i - q^{-1}\chi_{i+1}}{\chi_i - \chi_{i+1}} \right),$$

$$A_{s_i}(\chi) = m_{s_i}(\chi) + C_{s_i} = m_{s_i}(s_i\chi) + C'_{s_i}$$

( $m_{s_i}(\chi)$  and  $A_{s_i}(\chi)$  are defined only if  $\chi_i \neq \chi_{i+1}$ ). For  $w \in W$  with reduced decomposition  $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$  ( $s_{i_j} \in S$ ), set

$$A_w(\chi) = A_{s_{i_1}}(s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_k}\chi) \cdots A_{s_{i_{k-1}}}(s_{i_k}\chi)A_{s_{i_k}}(\chi).$$

Then  $A_w(\chi)$  is an element of  $\mathcal{H}_w$  whose coefficients with respect to a basis depend rationally on  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n$  and it does not depend on the choice of reduced decomposition of  $w$ . Whenever  $A_w(\chi)$  is defined,  $A_w(\chi)M_\chi \subseteq M_{w_\chi}$  for all  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  and, viewed as an element of  $I(\chi)$ ,  $A_w(\chi) \in I(\chi)_w$ . Furthermore,  $A_w(\chi)$  exists and is invertible whenever  $m_{s_{i_j}}(s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_k}\chi) \neq 0, \infty$  for  $j = 1, \dots, k$ .

Following Zelevinsky ([5]), a sequence of the form  $\Delta = [q^{a-1}z, q^{a-2}z, \dots, z]$  with  $a \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $z \in \mathbf{C}^*$  is called a *segment*. Set  $|\Delta| = a$  and let  $\tilde{\Delta} = [z, qz, \dots, q^{a-1}z]$ .

Let  $(n_1, \dots, n_r)$  be a partition of  $n$  and let  $T$  be the subset of  $S$  associated to the partition as in §1. Let  $\Phi = \{\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r\}$  be a collection of segments such that  $|\Delta_j| = n_j$  and let  $\chi(\Phi) = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  and  $\tilde{\chi}(\Phi) = (\tilde{\Delta}_1, \dots, \tilde{\Delta}_r)$  denote the elements of  $\mathcal{C}$  obtained by juxtaposing the  $\Delta_j$  and  $\tilde{\Delta}_j$ , respectively. Let  $I(\Phi)$  denote the

$\mathcal{H}_W$ -submodule of  $I(\tilde{\chi}(\Phi))$  generated over  $\mathcal{H}_W$  by  $C_{w_T}$ . Here we are regarding  $C_{w_T}$  as an element in the underlying space of  $I(\tilde{\chi}(\Phi))$ . It is shown in §4 of [4] that  $I(\Phi)$  is stable under all of  $\mathcal{H}$  and that  $C_{w_T}$  is an element of weight  $\chi(\Phi)$ . Furthermore,

$$P(I(\Phi)) = \{w\chi(\Phi) : w \in W, l(w w_T) = l(w) + l(w_T)\}.$$

We call  $C_{w_T}$  the canonical generator of  $I(\Phi)$ . The  $\mathcal{H}$ -module  $I(\Phi)$  corresponds to a representation of  $G$  obtained by inducing from a parabolic subgroup of type  $(n_1, \dots, n_l)$ , a product of special representations of the Levi factor  $GL_{n_1}(F) \times \dots \times GL_{n_l}(F)$ . It will be convenient to also use  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_l$  to denote  $I(\Phi)$ . Furthermore, set:

$$W(T) = \{w \in W : l(w w_T) = l(w) + l(w_T)\}.$$

### §3. The classification theorems

We state the theorems which give the classification of irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules in this section. This will require some preliminary definitions.

DEFINITION 3.1. (i) For  $z \in \mathbf{C}^*$ , let  $L_z$  denote the set of sequences of the form  $[\chi_1, \dots, \chi_m]$  such that  $\chi_j = zq^{a_j}$  for some  $a_j \in \mathbf{Z}$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , and any  $m$ . The set  $L_z$  will be called a line.

(ii) Let  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  be segments in the same line  $L_z$ , say

$$\Delta_1 = [q^{a+l-1}z, \dots, q^a z], \quad \Delta_2 = [q^{b+m-1}z, \dots, q^b z].$$

We will say that  $\Delta_1$  precedes  $\Delta_2$  if either  $a + l - 1 < b + m - 1$  or if  $a + l - 1 = b + m - 1$  and  $a \leq b$ . We will say that  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are linked if one of the following conditions is satisfied:

$$a + l - 1 \geq b + m \geq a > b \quad \text{or} \quad b + m - 1 \geq a + l \geq b > a.$$

If  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are linked and  $\Delta_1$  precedes  $\Delta_2$ , set  $\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2 = [q^{b+m-1}, \dots, q^a]$  and  $\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 = [q^{a+l-1}, \dots, q^b z]$ , and if  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are linked but  $\Delta_2$  precedes  $\Delta_1$ , set  $\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 = \Delta_2 \cap \Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 = \Delta_2 \cup \Delta_1$ .

(iii) We put a partial order on  $L_z$  as follows. Let  $\chi = [q^{a_1}z, \dots, q^{a_l}z]$ ,  $\chi' = [q^{b_1}z, \dots, q^{b_m}z] \in L_z$  and define  $\chi > \chi'$  if  $l = m$  and the sequence  $(a_1, \dots, a_l)$  is lexicographically bigger than  $(b_1, \dots, b_k)$ , i.e., for some  $k$ ,  $a_j = b_j$  for  $j < k$  and  $a_k > b_k$ .

(iv) A character  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$  will be called *reduced* if it is of the form  $(\psi_1, \dots, \psi_l)$  where the  $\psi_i$  are sequences belonging to distinct lines. Call  $\chi = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_l)$  the decomposition of  $\chi$  into lines.

For  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , let  $\mathcal{I}(\chi)$  be the set of irreducible constituents of  $I(\chi)$ . As shown in [4], for  $\mathcal{I}(\chi_1) = \mathcal{I}(\chi_2)$  if  $\chi_1, \chi_2 \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $\chi_1 \in W_{\chi_2}$ , while  $\mathcal{I}(\chi_1) \cap \mathcal{I}(\chi_2) = \emptyset$  otherwise. Since every irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -module is a constituent of  $\mathcal{I}(\chi)$  for some  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , it will suffice to describe the sets  $\mathcal{I}(\chi)$  for  $\chi$  a representative of a given  $W$ -orbit in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Therefore, we fix a character  $\eta \in \mathcal{C}$  for the rest of the paper. We assume that  $\eta$  is reduced with line decomposition  $\eta = (\eta^1, \dots, \eta^r)$ . Suppose that  $\eta^i$  is a sequence of length  $m_i$ , so that  $(m_1, \dots, m_r)$  is a partition of  $n$ . Let  $T$  be the subset of  $S$  associated to this partition and set  $\mathcal{O}(\eta) = \{w_\eta : w \in W_T\}$ . We put a total order on  $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$  as follows. If  $\chi_j = (\chi_j^1, \dots, \chi_j^r)$ , for  $j = 1, 2$ , are line decompositions of elements of  $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ , then  $\chi_1 > \chi_2$  if for some  $k$ ,  $\chi_i^i = \chi_j^i$  for  $i < k$  and  $\chi_1^k > \chi_2^k$ .

If  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , there is a unique sequence of segments  $\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r$  such that  $\chi = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  and  $r$  is as small as possible. Call  $(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  the decomposition of  $\chi$  into segments.

DEFINITION 3.2. A character  $\chi \in \mathcal{O}(\eta)$  with segment decomposition  $(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  is called *min-reduced* if  $\Delta_i$  precedes  $\Delta_{i+1}$  for all  $i$  such that  $\Delta_i$  and  $\Delta_{i+1}$  lie on the same line. Let  $M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$  denote the set of min-reduced elements in  $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ .

The set  $M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$  inherits a total order from  $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ . We also define a partial order on the set of collections of segments  $\Phi = \{\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r\}$ . Let  $\preceq$  be the partial order generated by the relations  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi$  where  $\Phi'$  is obtained from  $\Phi$  by replacing two linked segments  $\Delta_i, \Delta_j \in \Phi$  by  $\Delta_i \cap \Delta_j$  and  $\Delta_i \cup \Delta_j$ .

The remaining sections of the paper will be devoted to proving the following theorems.

THEOREM 3.3. Let  $\chi \in M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$  have segment decomposition  $\chi = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  and let  $\Phi = \{\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r\}$ . Then  $I(\Phi)$  has a unique irreducible quotient  $M$  and  $\chi \preceq \psi$  for all  $\psi \in P(M) \cap \mathcal{O}(\eta)$  under the total order  $\preceq$  on  $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ .

THEOREM 3.4. (1) Let  $M \in \mathcal{I}(\eta)$ . Then  $P(M) \cap \mathcal{O}(\eta) \neq \emptyset$  and the unique minimal element  $\chi_M \in P(M) \cap \mathcal{O}(\eta)$  (for the order  $\preceq$ ) lies in  $M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ .

(2) The map:

$$\mathcal{I}(\eta) \rightarrow M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$$

$$M \rightarrow \chi_M$$

is a bijection.

THEOREM 3.5. Let  $\chi, \psi' \in M\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ . Let  $\chi = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r)$  be the segment decomposition of  $\chi$  and set  $\Phi = \{\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r\}$ . Let  $M$  be the irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -module

corresponding to  $\psi'$  by Theorem 3.4. Let  $\psi' = (\Delta'_1, \dots, \Delta'_s)$  be the segment decomposition of  $\psi'$ , and set  $\Phi' = \{\Delta'_1, \dots, \Delta'_s\}$ . Then  $M$  is a constituent of  $I(\Phi)$  if and only if  $\Phi' \leq \Phi$ .

§4. In this section we show that the proofs of Theorems 3.3, 3.4, and 3.5 can be reduced to the case that  $\eta$  lies in a line.

Let  $\mathcal{A}^W$  be the subalgebra of  $W$ -invariants in  $\mathcal{A}$ . By a theorem of Bernstein (see [3] for a proof),  $\mathcal{A}^W$  is the center of  $W$ . The characters of  $\mathcal{A}^W$  correspond to  $W$ -orbits in  $\mathcal{A}$ . For  $[\chi] = \{w_\chi : w \in W\}$  a  $W$ -orbit in  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ , set

$$M[\chi] = \{m \in M : (a - \chi(a))^t m = 0 \text{ for all } a \in \mathcal{A}^W, \text{ some } t \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}.$$

It is clear that  $M[\chi]$  is  $\mathcal{H}$ -stable and that

$$M = \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mathcal{C}/W} M[\chi].$$

If  $T$  is a subset of  $S$ , then it follows that the center of  $\mathcal{H}_T$  is the subalgebra  $\mathcal{A}^{W_T}$  of  $W_T$ -invariants in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Hence for all  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}/W_T$ , the space

$$M[\chi, T] = \{m \in M : (a - \chi(a))^t m = 0 \text{ for all } a \in \mathcal{A}^{W_T}, \text{ some } t \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$$

is  $\mathcal{H}_T$ -stable and

$$M = \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mathcal{C}/W_T} M[\chi, T].$$

Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  satisfy  $P(M) \subseteq W\eta$ . Set

$$M_{\text{red}} = \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mathcal{O}(\eta)} M_\chi^{\text{gen}}.$$

By the results of the previous paragraph,  $M_{\text{red}}$  is an  $\mathcal{H}_T$  submodule of  $M$ , where  $T$  is the subset associated with the partition  $(m_1, \dots, m_t)$  defined by  $\eta$  (see §3). This follows because  $\mathcal{O}(\eta) = W_T\eta$ . Thus we have a map of  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules:

$$f : \mathcal{H} \bigoplus_{\mathcal{H}_T} M_{\text{red}} \rightarrow M,$$

$$T \otimes m \rightarrow Tm.$$

PROPOSITION 4.1. *The map  $f$  is an isomorphism.*

PROOF. The functor  $M \rightarrow M_{\text{red}}$  from  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules to  $\mathcal{H}_T$ -modules is exact. The functor  $N \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \otimes_{\mathcal{H}_T} N$  from  $\mathcal{H}_T$ -modules to  $\mathcal{H}$ -modules is also exact and we have:

$$\dim(\mathcal{H} \otimes_{\mathcal{H}_T} N) = (\dim(N)) |W/W_T|,$$

since  $\mathcal{H} \otimes_{\mathcal{H}_T} N \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{H}_W \otimes_{\mathcal{H}_T} N$  as vector spaces. It therefore suffices to prove the proposition for  $M$  irreducible. If  $M$  is irreducible, it will follow that  $f$  is an isomorphism if we prove that

$$(*) \quad \dim(M) = \dim(M_{\text{red}} | W/W_T).$$

Let  $\{w_1, \dots, w_l\}$  be the set of representatives for  $W/W_T$  such that for all  $j = 1, \dots, l$ ,  $l(w_j z) \leq l(w_j)$  for all  $z \in W_T$ . Then  $W\eta = \{w_j \phi : \phi \in \mathcal{O}(\eta), j = 1, \dots, l\}$ . To prove (\*), it will suffice to show that  $\dim(M_\phi^{\text{gen}}) = \dim(M_{w_j \phi}^{\text{gen}})$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, l$ . This follows easily from the next lemma.

LEMMA 4.2. *Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$ , and suppose that  $\chi_j \neq q^{\pm 1} \chi_{j+1}$ . Then  $\dim(M_\chi^{\text{gen}}) = \dim(M_{s_j \chi}^{\text{gen}})$ .*

PROOF. Let  $\mathcal{H}_2$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $T_{s_j}$ ,  $x_j^{\pm 1}$ , and  $x_{j+1}^{\pm 1}$ . The subspace  $M_\chi^{\text{gen}} \oplus M_{s_j \chi}^{\text{gen}}$  is stable under  $\mathcal{H}_2$  and, as an  $\mathcal{H}_2$ -module, all of its constituents are constituents of the  $\mathcal{H}_2$ -module  $I(\chi')$ , where  $\chi' = [\chi_j, \chi_{j+1}]$ . If  $\chi_j \neq q^{\pm 1} \chi_{j+1}$ , then  $I(\chi')$  is irreducible ([4], Corollary 3.2) and the lemma follows.

Proposition 4.1 shows that for the proofs of the theorems of §3, it is sufficient to look at the case where  $\eta$  lies in a line.

### §5. Analysis of the product of two segments

We begin with a lemma concerning the case  $n = 3$ .

LEMMA 5.1. *Let  $n = 3$  and let  $\chi = [1, 1, q] \in \mathcal{C}$ . Then  $\mathcal{I}(\chi)$  consists of two irreducible modules of dimension three. The weight  $[1, q, 1]$  occurs with multiplicity one in each of them. One of them contains  $\chi$  with multiplicity two and the other contains  $[q, 1, 1]$  with multiplicity two.*

PROOF. Let  $\Phi = \{[1], [q, 1]\}$ . Then  $I(\Phi)$  is a three-dimensional submodule of  $I(\chi)$ , contains the weight  $[1, q, 1]$  with multiplicity one, and the weight  $[q, 1, 1]$  with multiplicity two. The lemma follows immediately if we show that  $I(\chi)$  contains no one-dimensional constituents. However, using the relations defining  $\mathcal{H}$ , it is easy to show that (for any  $n$ ), if  $\tau : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a character, then the restriction of  $\tau$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  is of the form  $(\Delta)$  or  $(\bar{\Delta})$  for  $\Delta$  a segment of length  $n$ .

For the rest of this section, let  $\Delta_1 = [q^{a+l-1}, \dots, q^a]$  and  $\Delta_2 = [q^{b+m-1}, \dots, q^b]$  be segments of length  $l$  and  $m$ , respectively, such that  $l + m = n$ . Let  $T = \{s_j : j \neq l\}$  be the subset of  $S$  associated to the partition  $(l, m)$  of  $n$ . Let  $M = \Delta_1 \times \Delta_2$  and  $N = \Delta_2 \times \Delta_1$ , and set  $\chi = (\Delta_1, \Delta_2)$ ,  $\chi' = (\Delta_2, \Delta_1)$ .



PROPOSITION 5.2. *If  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are not linked, then  $M$  is irreducible and is isomorphic to  $N$ .*

PROOF. By the results of §6 of [4], there is a non-zero map from  $M$  to  $N$ . Hence it will suffice to prove the irreducibility of  $M$  or  $N$ .

We may assume that  $\Delta_1 \subseteq \Delta_2$  or  $\Delta_2 \subseteq \Delta_1$ , for if this is not the case and if  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are not linked, then the weight spaces of  $M$  are all one-dimensional (see proposition 4.5 of [4]) and the operators  $A_w(\chi)$  are invertible for all  $w \in W(T)$ . The irreducibility of  $M$  then follows immediately.

In §3 of [4], a character  $\psi$  was defined to be special if its stabilizer in  $W$  is of the form  $W_T$ , for some subset  $T' \subseteq S$ . By theorem 3.1 of [4], if  $\psi$  is special, then  $\dim R_\psi \leq 1$  for any submodule  $R$  of  $I(\psi')$  for any  $\psi' \in W\psi$ . It is easy to see that  $P(M)$  contains a unique special weight  $\psi_0 \in W(T)\chi$ . The irreducibility of  $M$  is thus a consequence of the following two facts:

- (a) If  $L$  is a non-zero submodule of  $M$ , then  $L_{\psi_0} \neq 0$ , and hence  $L_{\psi_0} = M_{\psi_0}$ .
- (b)  $M$  is generated by  $M_{\psi_0}$ .

We first prove (b). Set  $\bar{\Delta}_1 = [q^{a+1-2}, \dots, q^a]$  and  $\bar{\Delta}_2 = [q^{b+m-1}, \dots, q^{m+1}]$ . Since we are free to interchange  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  (it suffices to prove the irreducibility of  $M$  or  $N$ ), we may assume that either  $\bar{\Delta}_1 \supseteq \Delta_2$ , or  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2$ , or  $\Delta_1 \subseteq \bar{\Delta}_2$ . In the first two cases, let  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by the  $T_j$ , with  $j > 1$  and  $x_2^{\pm 1}, \dots, x_n^{\pm 1}$ . Under the action of  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$ , the canonical generator  $C_{w_T}$  of  $M$  generates an  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$ -module isomorphic to  $\bar{\Delta}_1 \times \Delta_2$  and this subspace of  $M$  contains  $M_{\psi_0}$ . By induction on  $n$ ,  $C_{w_T} \in \mathcal{H}_{n-1}M_{\psi_0}$ . The case  $\bar{\Delta}_2 \supseteq \Delta_1$  is similar.

For the proof of (a), we use the following lemma.

LEMMA 5.3. *Let  $\chi \in \mathcal{C}$  and let  $M$  be a submodule of  $I(\chi)$ . Let  $w \in W$  and assume that  $M_{w_\chi}$  contains an element of the form*

$$m = C_w + \sum_{y \not\leq w} \alpha_y C_y \quad (\alpha_y \in \mathbb{C}).$$

*Then for all  $s \in S$  such that  $sw > w$  and  $sw_\chi \neq \chi$ ,  $M_{sw_\chi} \neq 0$  and contains an element of the form:*

$$m' = C_{sw} + \sum_{y \not\leq sw} \alpha'_y C_y \quad (\alpha_y \in \mathbb{C}).$$

PROOF. If  $sw_\chi \neq w_\chi$ , then  $A_s(w_\chi)$  is defined and it will suffice to show that  $A_s(w_\chi)m \neq 0$ . We have  $A_s(w_\chi) = m_s(w_\chi) + C_s$  and hence

$$A_s(w_\chi)m = C_s C_w + \sum_{y \not\leq w} \alpha_y C_s C_y + m_s(w_\chi)m.$$

From the multiplication rules for  $C_s C_w$  (see [1] or [4]), it follows that  $A_s(w_\chi)m$  is of the form

$$C_{sw} + \sum_{y \not\geq sw} \alpha'_y C_y$$

if  $sw > w$ .

For the proof of (a), we assume that  $\Delta_1 \supseteq \Delta_2$ ; the case  $\Delta_1 \subseteq \Delta_2$  is similar.

To prove (a), we use the following notation. Write  $\Delta_1 = [q^{a+1}, \dots, q^a]$  and  $\Delta_2 = [q^{b+m-1}, \dots, q^b]$ . A character  $\psi = w_\chi$  for some  $w \in W(T)$  will be written typically as

$$\psi = [q^{i_1}, q^{i_2}, q^{i_3}, \dots, q^{i_n}].$$

Here the location of the bars below the powers of  $q$  determine uniquely the element  $w \in W(T)$  such that  $\psi = w_\chi$  because  $W(T)$  consists of permutations such that  $w^{-1}$  preserves the order between the elements within one of the  $\Delta_i$  (note that in general,  $w_\chi = [\chi_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, \chi_{w^{-1}(n)}]$  if  $\chi = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n]$ ).

Now let  $L$  be a non-zero submodule of  $M$ . We will say that  $w_\chi$  occurs in  $L$  for  $w \in W(T)$  if  $L_{w_\chi}$  contains an element of the form

$$C_w + \sum_{y \not\geq w} \alpha_y C_y \quad (\alpha_y \in \mathbb{C}).$$

Our strategy is to start with any  $w_\chi$  occurring in  $L$  and use Lemma 5.3 and the operators  $A_s(w_\chi)$  to obtain  $L_{\psi_0} \neq 0$ . So assume that  $w_\chi$  occurs in  $L$ . If  $\chi_{w^{-1}(j)} = q^\gamma w_{w^{-1}(j+1)}$  with  $\gamma < -1$ , then  $A_{s_j}(w_\chi)$  is invertible and  $y_\chi$  occurs in  $L$  for some  $y$  such that  $y_\chi = s_j w_\chi$ . Hence we may assume that  $\chi_{w^{-1}(j)} = q^\gamma \chi_{w^{-1}(j+1)}$  with  $\gamma \geq -1$  for all  $j$ . We are concerned only with those  $j$  such that  $\gamma = -1$ , for if none exist, then  $w_\chi = \psi_0$  and we are done. Set  $d_j = \chi_{w^{-1}(j)}$ . If  $(d_j, d_{j+1}) = (q^{-1}, q')$ , then  $s_j w > w$  and Lemma 5.3 implies that  $s_j w$  occurs in  $L$ . So we may assume that those  $j$  with  $\gamma = -1$  satisfy  $(d_j, d_{j+1}) = (q^{-1}, q')$ . Here we use the fact that  $q^l$  (resp.  $q^l$ ) cannot precede  $q^k$  (resp.  $q^k$ ) if  $l < k$  because all  $w \in W(T)$  preserve order in the blocks  $\Delta_1, \Delta_2$ .

Consider the largest  $j$  such that  $\gamma = -1$ . For this  $j$  we have  $(d_j, d_{j+1}, d_{j+2}) = (q^{-1}, q', q^{-1})$  since  $\Delta_1 \supseteq \Delta_2$ . Note that  $s_{j+1} w_\chi$  is not a weight of  $M$  since no subsequence of the form  $(q^{-1}, q^{-1}, q')$  occurs in any weight of  $M$ . Therefore Lemma 5.1 implies that  $s_j w_\chi$  is a weight of  $L$ ; this is seen by considering the  $\mathcal{H}_3$ -submodule generated by  $L_{s_j w_\chi}$ , where  $\mathcal{H}_3$  is the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $T_{s_j}, T_{s_{j+1}}$  and  $x_j^{\pm 1}, x_{j+1}^{\pm 1}, x_{j+2}^{\pm 1}$ . Now  $s_j w_\chi$  is "closer" to  $\psi_0$  than  $w_\chi$ . Continuing in this way we obtain that  $L_{\psi_0} \neq 0$ .

PROPOSITION 5.4. Assume that  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are linked. Then  $M$  and  $N$  are indecomposable. Up to multiples, there is a unique non-zero map  $\phi : M \rightarrow N$ .

(i) If  $\Delta_1$  precedes  $\Delta_2$ , then  $\text{Ker}(\phi)$  is isomorphic to  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$  and  $M/\text{ker}(\phi)$  is an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -module which we will denote by  $\langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle$ .

(ii) If  $\Delta_2$  precedes  $\Delta_1$ , then  $\text{Ker}(\phi)$  is isomorphic to  $\langle \Delta_2, \Delta_1 \rangle$  and  $M/\text{ker}(\phi)$  is isomorphic to  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$ .

PROOF. Assume first that  $\Delta_1$  precedes  $\Delta_2$ . There is a unique  $w \in W(T)$  such that  $w_\chi = (\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2, \Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$ . In particular,  $\dim(M_{w_\chi}) = 1$ . By Lemma 4.6 of [4], there is a unique element  $m \in M_{w_\chi}$  of the form:

$$m = C_{ww_T} + \sum_{\substack{z < ww_T \\ zw_T^{-1} \in W(T)}} \alpha_z C_z.$$

For  $j \neq |\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2|$ ,  $m_{s_j(w_\chi)} = 0$  and hence  $A_{s_j}(w_\chi) = C'_{s_j}$ . For  $j \neq |\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2|$ ,  $|\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2| + |\Delta_2|$ ,  $s_j w_\chi$  is not a weight of  $M$  and hence  $C'_{s_j} m = 0$ . We will show below that  $C'_j m = 0$  for  $j = |\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2| + |\Delta_2|$ . Assuming this, we obtain, by proposition 4.5 of [4], a non-zero map from  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$  to  $M$  which sends its canonical generator to  $m$ . Since  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$  is irreducible by Proposition 5.2,  $m$  generates a submodule of  $M$  which is isomorphic to  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$ . Let  $M'$  be the quotient  $M/\mathcal{H}m$ . It can be checked that all weights of  $M'$  occur with multiplicity one and that for all  $\psi \in P(M')$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $s\psi \in P(M)$ ,  $A_s(\psi)$  is invertible. It follows that  $M'$  is irreducible. In addition,  $M$  is indecomposable because  $M$  is generated by an element of weight  $\chi$  (its canonical generator), but the submodule  $M''$  of  $M$  isomorphic to  $(\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2) \times (\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2)$  contains no elements of weight  $\chi$ . By the results of §6 of [4] (specifically, proposition 6.4 of [4], whose proof does not rely on the results of this paper), there are non-zero maps  $\phi : M \rightarrow N$  and  $\phi' : N \rightarrow M$ . Since  $N$  is generated by an element of weight  $\chi' = (\Delta_2, \Delta_1)$  and  $M_{\chi'} \subseteq M''$ ,  $M$  and  $N$  are not isomorphic. Parts (i) and (ii) follow. Finally,  $N$  is indecomposable because  $N_{\chi'}$  generates  $N$  by  $\chi'$  does not occur as a weight of the submodule of  $N$  isomorphic to  $M'$ .

It remains to verify that, in the above notation  $C'_j m = 0$  for  $j = |\Delta_1 \cap \Delta_2| + |\Delta_2|$ . Note that  $s_j w < w$  for this  $j$ . By lemma 6.6 of [4],

$$A_{s_j}(w_\chi)m = C'_j m = \sum \alpha'_z C_z$$

for some  $\alpha'_z \in \mathbb{C}$ , where the sum is over  $z \neq s_j ww_T, ww_T$  such that  $z < ww_T$  or  $sz < ww_T$  and  $zw_T^{-1} \in W(T)$ . For such  $z$ ,  $zw_T^{-1}\chi \neq s_j w_\chi$  and hence  $A_{s_j}(w_\chi)m$  cannot have weight  $s_j w_\chi$  (this is obvious, for example, from the proof of lemma 4.6 of [4]). Therefore  $A_{s_j}(w_\chi)m = C'_j m = 0$ .

§6. In this section, we complete the proofs of Theorems 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5. By the results of §4, we may assume that  $\eta$  lies on a line and there is no loss of generality in assuming that  $\eta \in L_q$ . For  $\eta$  on a line,  $\mathcal{O}(\eta) = W\eta$  and thus the first assertion of part (i) of Theorem 3.4 is clear. For  $M \in \mathcal{F}(\eta)$ , let  $\chi_M$  be the unique minimal element of  $P(M)$ .

PROPOSITION 6.1. For  $M \in \mathcal{F}(\eta)$  and let  $\chi_M$  have a segment decomposition  $\chi_M = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_t)$ . Then  $M$  is a quotient of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$ .

PROOF. Let  $|\Delta_i| = n_i$  and let  $T$  be the subset of  $S$  associated to the partition  $(n_1, \dots, n_t)$  of  $n$ . By definition of  $\chi_M$ ,  $s_j \chi_M \notin P(M)$  for all  $s_j \in T$ . Since  $m_{s_j}(s_j \chi_M) = 0$  for all  $s_j \in T$ ,  $A_{s_j}(\chi_M) = C'_{s_j}$  and thus  $C'_{s_j} M_{\chi_M} = 0$  for all  $s_j \in T$ . The proposition follows from proposition 4.5 of [4].

PROPOSITION 6.2. Let  $M \in \mathcal{F}(\eta)$ . Then  $\chi_M$  is min-reduced.

PROOF. Let  $\chi_M$  have a segment decomposition  $\chi_M = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_t)$ , so that  $M$  is a quotient of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  by Proposition 6.1. If  $\chi_M$  is not min-reduced, then  $\Delta_{j+1}$  precedes  $\Delta_j$  for some  $j$ . If  $\Delta_j$  and  $\Delta_{j+1}$  are not linked, then  $\Delta_j \times \Delta_{j+1}$  is isomorphic to  $\Delta_{j+1} \times \Delta_j$  by Proposition 5.2. Hence  $M$  is also a quotient of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_{j+1} \times \Delta_j \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  and  $(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_{j+1}, \Delta_j, \dots, \Delta_t)$  occurs as a weight of  $M$ . It is smaller than  $\chi_M$ , contradicting the minimality of  $\chi_M$ . If  $\Delta_j$  and  $\Delta_{j+1}$  are linked, then Proposition 5.4 shows that  $M$  is also a quotient of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times (\Delta_j \cap \Delta_{j+1}) \times (\Delta_j \cup \Delta_{j+1}) \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  and again,  $(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_j \cap \Delta_{j+1}, \Delta_j \cup \Delta_{j+1}, \dots, \Delta_t)$  is smaller than  $\chi_M$  and occurs as a weight of  $M$ .

LEMMA 6.3. Let  $\Delta = [q^{m-1}, \dots, 1]$  be a segment and let  $\Delta_j = [q^j, \dots, 1]$  for  $j = 0, \dots, m - 1$ . Let

$$M = \Delta_j \times \underbrace{\Delta \times \dots \times \Delta}_{t\text{-times}}$$

Then  $M$  is irreducible.

PROOF. Let  $\psi = (\Delta_j, \Delta, \dots, \Delta)$ . Then  $\psi$  is the unique min-reduced weight in  $P(M)$ . Thus, if  $N$  is a non-zero irreducible submodule of  $M$ , then Propositions 6.1 and 6.2 imply that  $N$  is a quotient of  $M$ . The lemma will follow if we show that every non-zero element of  $M_\psi$  generates  $M$ . Let  $\psi'$  be the unique special weight in  $P(M)$ . By theorem 3.1 of [4],  $\dim M_{\psi'} = 1$ . If we show that  $M_{\psi'}$  generates  $M$ , it will follow that  $N_{\psi'} \neq 0$ , hence  $N_{\psi'} = M_{\psi'}$  and again  $N = M$ , since  $N$  is a quotient of  $M$ . Using these two ways of establishing the lemma, we show that it follows by induction on  $n = j + 1 + tm$ . So assume the lemma holds for

$n - 1$  and let  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $T_{s_2}, \dots, T_{s_n}$  and  $x_2^{\pm 1}, \dots, x_n^{\pm 1}$ . Let  $C$  be the canonical generator of  $M$ .

If  $0 \leq j < m - 1$ , then  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}C$  is an  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$ -submodule of  $M$  isomorphic to  $\Delta_{j-1} \times \Delta \times \dots \times \Delta$  (let  $\Delta_{j-1} = \emptyset$  if  $j = 0$ ) and it contains  $M_\psi$ . By induction, each non-zero element of  $M_\psi$  generates  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}C$  under the action of  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}$  and hence generates  $M$  under  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $j = m - 1$ , then  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}C$  contains an element of weight  $\psi'$ , hence  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}C$  contains  $M_{\psi'}$ . Again by induction,  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}M_{\psi'} = \mathcal{H}_{n-1}C$  and so  $M_{\psi'}$  generates  $M$  under  $\mathcal{H}$ .

**PROPOSITION 6.4.** *Let  $\chi \in MO(\eta)$  have a segment decomposition  $\chi = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_t)$ . Then  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  has a unique irreducible quotient  $M$  and  $\chi_M = \chi$ .*

**PROOF.** This first statement will follow if we show that every non-zero element in the  $\chi$ -weight space of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  generates  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$ , for then  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  has a unique maximal submodule (the submodule  $N$  which is maximal subject to the condition  $N_\chi = 0$ ). Let  $|\Delta_j| = n_j$  and let  $T$  be the subset of  $S$  associated to the partition  $(n_1, \dots, n_t)$  of  $n$ . If  $z \in W(T)$  and  $z_\chi = \chi$ , then  $z$  can only act by changing equal segments  $\Delta_j$  amongst themselves. Let  $\mathcal{H}'$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $\mathcal{A}$  and the  $T_s$  for all  $j$  except those of the form  $j = \sum_{i=1}^l n_i$  for those  $l$  such that  $\Delta_l \neq \Delta_{l+1}$ . Then the  $\chi$ -weight space of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$  is contained in the  $\mathcal{H}'$ -submodule  $\mathcal{H}'C$ , where  $C$  is the canonical generator of  $\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t$ . The algebra  $\mathcal{H}'$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{H}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{H}_{m_r}$  for some partition  $(m_1, \dots, m_r)$  of  $n$ , where  $\mathcal{H}_{m_i}$  is the Hecke algebra for  $GL_{m_i}(F)$ . The  $\mathcal{H}'$ -module  $\mathcal{H}'C$  is isomorphic to the tensor product of  $\mathcal{H}_{m_i}$ -modules of the form  $\Delta \times \Delta \times \dots \times \Delta$ . By Lemma 6.3,  $\mathcal{H}'C$  is therefore an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}'$ -module. This proves the first statement and the second follows because  $\chi$  is the minimal element of  $P(\Delta_1 \times \dots \times \Delta_t)$ .

Propositions 6.1, 6.2, and 6.4 complete the proofs of Theorems 3.3 and 3.4. It remains to prove Theorem 3.5.

For any  $\mathcal{H}$ -module  $M$ , define the formal character

$$\text{ch}(M) = \sum_{\chi \in \mathcal{G}} (\dim M_\chi^{\text{gen}}) \chi$$

as an element of the integral group ring  $\mathbf{Z}[\mathcal{G}]$ , as in [4]. From Theorem 3.4, it follows that the set of irreducible factors in a composition series for  $M$  is uniquely determined by  $\text{ch}(M)$ ; one uses the fact that an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}$ -module  $N$  is uniquely determined by its minimal weight  $\chi_N$  and the partial order on the set of such weights.

From now on, we use the notation of the statement of Theorem 3.5. According

to theorem 6.5 of [4] (whose proof is independent of Theorem 3.5), there is a filtration  $\{I(\Phi)^k\}$  of  $I(\Phi)$  such that

$$\sum_{k>0} \text{ch}(I(\Phi)^k) = \sum_{\substack{i<j \\ \Delta_i, \Delta_j \text{ linked}}} \text{ch}(I(\Phi(i, j))).$$

Here  $\Phi(i, j)$  denotes the collection of segments (in any order) obtained by replacing a linked pair of segments  $\Delta_i$  and  $\Delta_j$  in  $\Phi$  by  $\Delta_i \cap \Delta_j$  and  $\Delta_i \cup \Delta_j$ . It follows that  $M$  is a constituent of  $I(\Phi)$  whenever  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi$  by induction.

The only if part of Theorem 3.5 follows from Proposition 6.2 and the following purely combinatorial assertion: if a min-reduced character  $\psi'$  is a weight of  $I(\Phi)$ , then  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi$  (in the notation of Theorem 3.5).

Let  $\psi''$  be a character with segment decomposition  $\psi'' = (\Delta''_1, \dots, \Delta''_t)$ . Suppose that  $\Delta''_i = [q^{a+l-1}, \dots, q^a]$  and  $\Delta''_{i+1} = [q^{b+k-1}, \dots, q^b]$ . If  $a + l - 1 = b + k - 1$ , we will say that  $\Delta''_i$  and  $\Delta''_{i+1}$  have the same starting point. If the condition  $a + l - 1 \leq b + k - 1$  is satisfied for all  $i = 1, \dots, t - 1$ , we will say that  $\psi''$  is semi-reduced.

Now weaken the assumption on  $\psi'$  and suppose only that  $\psi'$  is semi-reduced. We will show that  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi$  if  $\psi'$  occurs as a weight of  $I(\Phi)$ . Let  $\chi = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n]$  and  $\psi' = [\chi_{i_1}, \dots, \chi_{i_n}]$ . Then  $\psi'$  is obtained from  $\chi$  by permuting the  $\chi_i$  so that the order among entries of a segment  $\Delta_k$  is preserved. First consider the case that  $\Delta_1 = \Delta'_1$ . Then by induction on  $n$ ,  $\{\Delta'_2, \dots, \Delta'_t\} \preceq \{\Delta_2, \dots, \Delta_t\}$  and hence  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi$ .

Now let  $\Delta_1 = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_a]$  and  $\psi''$  be the character obtained from  $\psi'$  by moving the entries  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_a$  occurring among the  $\chi_{i_k}$  to the extreme left but preserving the order among the other entries. Thus  $\psi'' = [\chi_1, \dots, \chi_a, \chi_{i_1}, \dots, \chi_{i_{n-a}}]$  and  $\psi''$  is also a semi-reduced weight of  $I(\Phi)$ . Let  $\psi'' = (\Delta''_1, \dots, \Delta''_p)$  be the segment decomposition of  $\psi''$  and let  $\Phi'' = \{\Delta''_1, \dots, \Delta''_p\}$ . Thus  $\Delta''_1 = \Delta_1$ . By the case considered in the previous paragraph,  $\Phi'' \preceq \Phi$ . It will therefore suffice to show that  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi''$ . We have that  $\psi'$  is obtained from  $\psi''$  by a permutation which preserves the order among the entries of  $(\Delta''_2, \dots, \Delta''_p)$ . It is easy to see that  $\Delta''_1$  can be decomposed into smaller segments,  $\Delta''_1 = (\Delta^1, \dots, \Delta^k)$  so that  $\psi'$  is obtained from  $\psi''$  by inserting the  $\Delta^i$  consecutively among the  $\Delta''_j$ . Except possibly for  $\Delta^i$ , if  $(\Delta''_j, \Delta^i)$  occurs in  $\psi'$ , then  $(\Delta''_j, \Delta^i)$  is itself a segment. It follows easily that  $\Phi' \preceq \Phi''$ .

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