

On Hecke and asymptotic categories for a family of complex reflection groups

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Abstract. Generalizing the dihedral picture for $G(M, M, 2)$, we construct Hecke algebras (and present a strategy for constructing Hecke categories) and asymptotic counterparts. We think of these as associated with the complex reflection group $G(M, M, N)$.

1. Introduction

Weyl groups are among the most important objects in algebra, as they govern the representation theory of their associated reductive group. Weyl groups are real reflection groups and special cases of *complex reflection groups*, and it is an interesting question what kind of “reductive group” is associated with a complex reflection group. These “reductive groups” are (probably) not reductive groups themselves, but are believed to exist in a certain sense and share many combinatorial and representation theoretical features of reductive groups. They were famously named by Broué–Malle–Michel [16] after the Greek island Spetses: such a “reductive group” is called a *spetses*.

We cannot provide a definitive answer to what spetses are, but recent developments indicate that Soergel bimodules, also known as *Hecke categories*, can often serve as a replacement whenever an associated geometric or Lie theoretic picture is missing.

In this paper, we focus on the complex reflection groups of type $G(M, M, N)$ for $M \geq N$ and suggest that they have an associated Hecke algebra and category. These arise from Chebyshev polynomials associated with root systems, have Kazhdan–Lusztig (KL) type combinatorics, include asymptotic categories, are related to Calogero–Moser (CM) families, and encode Fourier matrices for $G(M, M, N)$.

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1A. From dihedral group to the main results

The dihedral group $G(M, M, 2)$ of order $2M$ is one of the simplest examples of a complex reflection group that is not a Weyl group (unless M is small), yet it still exhibits behavior typically associated with objects from Lie theory.

Let us list a few of these, all of which are for the middle cell:

- (A) The KL basis is determined by the coefficients of the Chebyshev polynomials [21, 24, 73], and the Chebyshev polynomials determine the characters of the simple representations of SL_2 .
- (B) The $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -representations of the dihedral group, or the 2-representations of the dihedral Hecke category, are indexed by ADE Dynkin diagrams [38, 55]. This is closely related to (but does not quite match) with three different objects: irreducible conformal field theories (CFT for short) for SU_2 [66], subgroups of quantum SU_2 [36, 65] and module categories of the SL_2 Verlinde category [65].
- (C) The Drinfeld centers of the asymptotic categories associated to the dihedral Hecke algebras are modular categories whose S -matrices coincide with the so-called Fourier matrices [69], the base change between “unipotent characters” and “unipotent character sheaves”, constructed in the 90s [53] in an ad hoc fashion. Hence, one can think of these centers as “unipotent character sheaves”, matching [54] which proposed “unipotent character sheaves” associated to Coxeter groups that encode the Fourier matrices.
- (D) The simple representations of the (complexified) asymptotic Hecke algebra are given by the KL family associated to the cell [51].

In this paper, we generalize all the above to the case $N \geq 2$ (for $N = 1$ the group $G(M, M, N)$ is trivial and we from now on assume that $N > 1$). The outline is as follows.

- (a) *Generalizing (A)*. We define a certain subalgebra T_∞ of the Hecke algebra of affine type A_{N-1} , and then a finite dimensional quotient T_e , the *Nhedral Hecke algebra* of level e , obtained from T_∞ by annihilating certain KL basis elements. *This algebra is immediately truncated to the analog of the aforementioned middle cell.* As we will show, the algebra T_∞ has its own KL theory and representation theory akin to the dihedral Hecke algebra. Its KL basis is determined by the coefficients of the Chebyshev polynomials associated with simple representations of SL_N .
- (b) *Generalizing (B)*. Returning to T_e , we observe (some aspects proven and others conjectural) that most of Zuber’s generalized ADE Dynkin diagrams [75] give rise to $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -representations of T_e . This is closely related (but does not

quite match) with three different objects: irreducible CFT for SU_N as, e.g., in [67], subgroups of quantum SU_N as, e.g., in [63] and module categories of the SL_N Verlinde category as, for example, in [32].

- (c) *Generalizing (C)*. (With a (*), see below.) There should be a categorification of T_e , called *Nhedral Hecke category* (or *Nhedral Soergel bimodules*) of level e . This category should be positively graded. We define what we believe is its degree zero part and we call it the *asymptotic category* $\mathfrak{a}_{M,M,N}$. We show that the Drinfeld center of $\mathfrak{a}_{M,M,N}$ is a modular category and compute its S and T matrices. We show that the S matrix coincides with Malle’s Fourier matrix for $G(M, M, N)$ [60].
- (d) *Generalizing (D)*. We then define a matrix category $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ over $\mathfrak{a}_{M,M,N}$, the *big asymptotic category*, which, by construction, is Morita equivalent to $\mathfrak{a}_{M,M,N}$. We explain how this category is related to a CM family for $G(M, M, N)$, which plays the role of the middle cell for the dihedral group.

Let us summarize the main points of the paper with two overview diagrams. The first diagram in Figure 1 illustrates how the main algebras and categories are related. The “equation (QSH)” is explained in Section 1C below, while (*) means that we believe this is definable and interesting to define, though we do not do this here since the relevant technology is missing while writing this paper.

In Figure 2 we indicate the broader framework of *Nhedral combinatorics*. Though, e.g., irreducible CFTs are beyond the scope of this paper and we do not discuss them any further, Section 3 contains the combinatorial material which relates to this topic. This picture is not intended as a rigorous statement but rather as an illustration of the numerous (potential) connections.

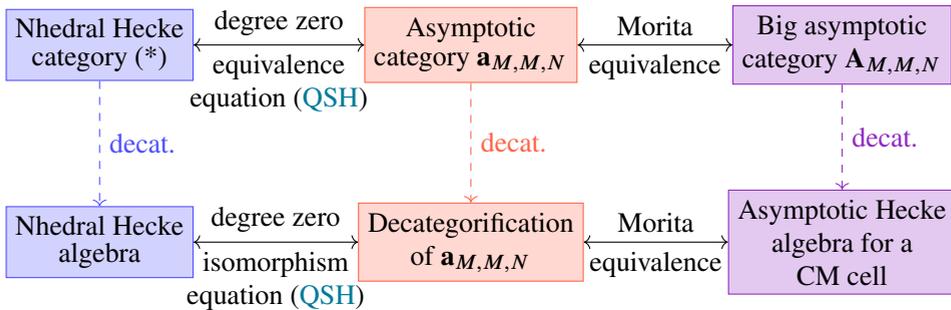


Figure 1. Relationship between the main players

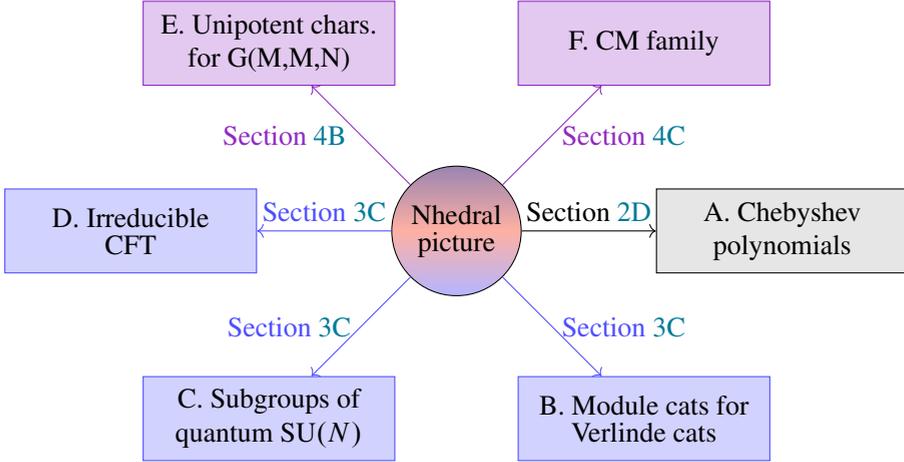


Figure 2. Broader framework of Nhedral combinatorics

1B. Related works and speculations

The only infinite family of complex reflection groups is $G(M, D, N)$ with $D \mid M$. Among these, there are two infinite families of so-called spetsial complex reflection groups, which represent the two different extremes $D = M$ and $D = 1$, yet both might permit some Hecke category combinatorics. Additionally, there is a twisted variant that appears to fit into the Hecke category framework, and we comment on all three here.

The first infinite family is $G(M, M, N)$, as discussed in this paper, and we interpret the Nhedral picture (Chebyshev polynomials etc.) as the combinatorics of the associated Hecke category. Furthermore, for $N = 3$, (A) and (B) above were originally generalized in [57]. The paper [57] also provides a classification of $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -representations of T_e for small e , a task we expect to be achievable for at least small N as well. Moreover, exciting so-called exotic nilCoxeter and deformed affine nilHecke algebras are obtained in [27, 28] (with some results also for $N > 3$), but we do not know how to relate this work to ours.

The other infinite family of spetsial complex reflection groups consists of the groups $G(M, 1, N)$, where the corresponding Hecke algebra is the Ariki–Koike algebra [7, 15]. Fourier matrices and families of unipotent characters for these groups have been studied quite extensively; see, for example, [13, 19, 44, 45, 60]. However, we are not aware of any general Hecke category combinatorics for $G(M, 1, N)$. The paper [46] identifies the Ariki–Koike algebra as a subalgebra of webs on an annulus, suggesting the possibility of using annular foams, as in [68], to describe a Hecke cat-

egory. For $N = 1$, a Hecke category has been proposed in [34], but it seems quite different from the annular web picture.

There is also the story of Fourier matrices associated with groups having an automorphism, such as the Ree groups or $G(M, 1, N)$; see, for example, [33, 43, 60]. The corresponding Fourier matrices are not symmetric and often not integral, so they may only arise via equivariant module categories and not via modular categories. The automorphism “twists” the setting in a certain sense and one might hope that the “twisted” 2-representations of the Hecke category as, e.g., [59] can be used to define degree zero module categories where crossed S -matrices in the sense of [20] might play a role.

1C. Additional remarks

For some proofs and some proposed constructions in this paper we need the following.

The *quantum Satake hypothesis (QSH)* is:

[26, Theorem 5.35] is true. (QSH)

Whenever we assume equation (QSH) holds, we state this explicitly.

Remark 1C.1. The paper [26] proves the quantum Satake hypothesis for $N = 2, 3$. So we have no further assumptions in these two cases.

Remark 1C.2. We expect that several statements to follow (such as Lemma 3A.11, Remark 3A.15, Remark 3A.17, Lemma 3A.20, Proposition 3A.22, or Lemma 3C.1) will not depend on equation (QSH) itself, except perhaps Lemma 3C.1 in the finite case; see Remark 3A.12 for some more comments. On the other hand, we anticipate that equation (QSH) will play a role in the categorified context.

Remark 1C.3. We postponed several proofs to Section 5. If the reader is missing a proof, then they should be able to find it there. Moreover, in Section 2 and Section 3, we will generalize some of the main results of [57], following their exposition. Some results will have proofs that work *mutatis mutandis* and we will be brief with these, and we will point out when the arguments are sufficiently different.

Remark 1C.4. The paper is readable in black-and-white but we recommend reading it in color.

Remark 1C.5. Code for some of the calculations in this paper is available on GitHub, see [47].

1D. Table of notation and general conventions

In Table 2 is the list of the most important concepts.

Symbol	Name	Description
$-$	Placeholder	Used as a placeholder symbol
$[-]_{\oplus}$	Grothendieck group	The additive Grothendieck group of $-$ (for semisimple categories this equals the abelian one)
$- \rightarrow$	A cyclic action	See Section 2B
$=$	The dual	If $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_{N-1})$, then $\overline{\mathbf{m}} = (m_{N-1}, \dots, m_1)$
$(-)_i$	Degree i part	If the category $-$ is graded, then this denotes the degree i part
$A(-)$	Adjacency matrix	The adjacency matrix of a graph $-$
$\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$	The big asymptotic category	The big asymptotic category for $G(M, M, N)$ defined in Definition 4C.2
$\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$	The asymptotic category	The asymptotic category for $G(M, M, N)$ defined in Definition 4A.1
$c_y^x, {}^x c$	Nhedral KL elements	See Section 3A
$d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}}$	Change-of-basis coefficients	See equation (2.2)
$\dim_c -$	Categorical dimension	The categorical dimension of $-$
$\dim_{\eta} -$	Quantum dimension	The quantum dimension of $-$
$\dim_{\mathbb{K}} -$	Usual dimension	The dimension of $-$ over \mathbb{K}
e	Level	The level, a number $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ that we fix
η	Root of unity	The primitive $2M$ th root of unity $\exp(i\pi/M)$
$\eta^{1/N}$	Root of unity	The N th root of η given by $\exp(i\pi/NM)$
\mathcal{F}	Family of unipotent characters	A family of unipotent characters for $G(M, M, N)$, see Section 4B
\mathcal{F}_0	Principal series	The principal series of \mathcal{F}
$G(M, M, N)$	Complex reflection group	The imprimitive complex reflection group of order $M^{N-1}N!$
Γ	CM cell	The two-sided CM cell associated with \mathcal{F} , see Section 4C
$h_y^x, {}^x h$	Nhedral Bott–Samelson elements	See Section 3A

Symbol	Name	Description
i	Imaginary unit	The usual square root of -1
I	Vertices	$I = \{0, \dots, N - 1\}$, the vertices of the affine type A_{N-1} Dynkin diagram
J_e	Vanishing ideal	Defined in Definition 2E.1
M	Level (plus Coxeter number)	This is $e + N$, the “level” of $G(M, M, N)$ such that $G(M, M, 2)$ is the dihedral group of order $2M$
M	Nhedral representation	Representation of the Nhedral Hecke algebra; potentially decorated with symbols
N	Rank (potentially plus one)	The rank, a number $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ that we fix
\varkappa	Quantum $N - 1$ factorial	$[N - 1]_{\mathfrak{v}}!$
p_N^e	Simplicial polytopical numbers	$p_N^e = \binom{e+N-1}{N-1} = \binom{M-1}{N-1}$
q	Quantum parameter	The quantum generic parameter
$[k]_{\mathfrak{v}}$	Quantum numbers	The k th quantum number, $[k]_{\mathfrak{v}} = \frac{q^k - q^{-1}}{q - q^{-1}}$
$[k]_{\mathfrak{v}}!$	Quantum factorials	The k th quantum factorial, $[k]_{\mathfrak{v}}! = [1]_{\mathfrak{v}} \dots [k]_{\mathfrak{v}}$
$\text{rk } _$	Rank	The rank of the category $_$ (the number of indecomposable objects)
$\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$	Representation category	The fusion category of $U_{\eta}(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations
$\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$	Representation category	The category of (type 1) $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations
S	An S -matrix	The matrix S of a modular category involved in the action of the modular group
$\bar{_}$	Complex conjugate	Entry-wise complex conjugate of $_$
$\text{Si}(_)$	Simple objects	The set of isomorphism classes of simple objects of $_$
$\Sigma \mathbf{m}$	Sum of the entries	For $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_r)$ we let $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = m_1 + \dots + m_r$
$\text{stab } _$	Stabilizer	Cardinal of a stabilizer

Symbol	Name	Description
T	A T -matrix	The matrix T of a modular category involved in the action of the modular group
T_-	Nhedral Hecke algebra	The Nhedral Hecke algebra of level $-$, see, e.g., Definition 3A.6
θ	Ribbon structure	The ribbon structure on $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ defined via $\eta^{1/N}$
θ_i	Nhedral generators	The generators of T_-
$U_{\mathbf{m}}$	Chebyshev polynomials for \mathfrak{sl}_N	The higher versions of Chebyshev polynomials, see Definition 2D.1, due to Koornwinder and Eier-Lidl
$U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$	Quantum \mathfrak{sl}_N	The generic quantum group for quantum parameter q
$U_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$	Another quantum \mathfrak{sl}_N	The quantum group specialized quantum parameter η
V_e	Koornwinder variety	Defined in Definition 2E.1
V'_e	Reparametrization of V_e	Defined in Definition 2E.7
W	Affine Weyl group	The Weyl group for affine type A_{N-1}
W_i	Parabolic subgroup	The parabolic subgroup for the vertices $I \setminus \{i\}$
χ_c	Central character	The “colors” associated with simple $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations
X^+	Dominant weights	The set of dominant weights of type A_{n-1}
$X^+(e)$	Level e cut-off	The level e cut-off of dominant weights of type A_{n-1}
x_i	Fundamental variables	The variables used for the fundamental $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations
$\mathbf{Z}(-)$	Drinfeld center	The Drinfeld center of a category $-$
Z_i	Koornwinder’s Z-functions	Defined in Definition 2E.5
ζ	Root of unity	The primitive N th root of unity $\exp(2i\pi/N)$

Table 2. Table of notations

Unless otherwise specified, the following general conventions apply throughout:

- (a) Our conventions for rings and fields, where we use the generic symbol \mathbb{K} , are: superscripts mean we adjoin a certain element to the ring/field, e.g., $\mathbb{C}^q = \mathbb{C}(q)$. We write square brackets if we adjoin these elements as Laurent polynomials, e.g., $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]} = \mathbb{Z}[v, v^{-1}]$.
- (b) All \mathbb{K} -vector spaces are finite dimensional in this paper, or free of finite rank if \mathbb{K} is a ring and all categories are \mathbb{K} -linear.
- (c) All modules considered are left modules, and representations of quantum enveloping algebras are always of type 1 (as defined in, e.g., [3, Section 1.4]).
- (d) We often say “is a XYZ” instead of “can be equipped with the structure of an XYZ” to avoid overloading statements. For instance, we say a category is modular.
- (e) Similarly, we say, for example, “there are only finitely many simple objects” instead of “there are only finitely many isomorphism classes of simple objects.”

2. Some \mathfrak{sl}_N combinatorics

We start by fixing some notation regarding \mathfrak{sl}_N . Most of the material is known, but our exposition for some parts is new.

2A. Root combinatorics

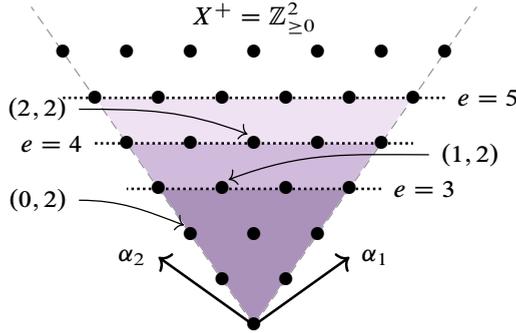
Denote by $(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_N)$ the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^N , which we equip with the standard symmetric bilinear form $(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = \delta_{i,j}$. Denote by \mathfrak{S}_N the symmetric group on N letters, which acts naturally on \mathbb{R}^N by permutation of coordinates. We let $E = \{(x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid x_1 + \dots + x_N = 0\}$ and let $\alpha_i = \varepsilon_{i+1} - \varepsilon_i$ for $1 \leq i < N$. The vectors $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{N-1}$ are the simple roots and we fix the coroots $\alpha_i^\vee \in E^*$ such that $\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j^\vee \rangle = a_{ij}$, where (a_{ij}) is the usual Cartan matrix of type A_{N-1} and $\langle -, - \rangle$ is the duality pairing. The weight lattice is $X = \{\lambda \in E \mid \langle \lambda, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i < N\}$ and the dominant weights are $X^+ = \{\lambda \in E \mid \langle \lambda, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i < N\}$. We also denote by $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_{N-1} \in E$ the fundamental weights which are defined through the equalities $\langle \omega_i, \alpha_j^\vee \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$, and by $\rho = \omega_1 + \dots + \omega_{N-1}$ the sum of the fundamental weights, or equivalently the half-sum of positive roots. Using the basis of fundamental weights, we identify X with \mathbb{Z}^{N-1} and X^+ with $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{N-1}$.

Notation 2A.1. We will repeatedly sum over entries of tuples, and we use the following shorthand notation: $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = m_1 + \dots + m_k$ for $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_k)$. A weight

$\lambda \in X^+$ can be identified with a tuple $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N-1})$, and we make this identification tacitly. We will also write $\Sigma\lambda$ instead of $\sum\lambda$ for $\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{N-1}$.

We will also work with cut-offs $X^+(e)$ of the weight lattice, which will depend on the level $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, which are defined by $X^+(e) = \{\lambda \in X^+ \mid \langle \lambda, \alpha_1^\vee + \dots + \alpha_{N-1}^\vee \rangle \leq e\}$. Therefore, a weight $\lambda = \lambda_1\omega_1 + \dots + \lambda_{N-1}\omega_{N-1}$ is in $X^+(e)$ if and only if each λ_i is nonnegative and $\Sigma\lambda \leq e$.

The following picture is stolen from [57]. We stole it because it summarizes our conventions for $N = 3$:



The shaded regions are, in order from dark to light, $X^+(3)$, $X^+(4) \setminus X^+(3)$ and $X^+(5) \setminus X^+(4)$.

2B. Quantum group generically and semisimplified

Our conventions follow [35, Chapters 4–7].

For q a formal variable, let $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ denote the *quantum enveloping* (\mathbb{C}^q -)algebra associated to \mathfrak{sl}_N , with the Hopf algebra structure as chosen in [35, Section 4.8]. Let us denote its category of finite dimensional representations by $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. This category is semisimple and has the same combinatorics as the corresponding category for \mathfrak{sl}_N itself, so all the below follows from classical theory. In particular, the simple $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations (we also write \mathfrak{sl}_N -representations for short) are parameterized by the integral positive Weyl chamber

$$\{L_{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_{N-1}) \in X^+\}.$$

Let $\bar{\mathbf{m}} = (m_{N-1}, \dots, m_1)$. As a matter of fact, we have $(L_{\mathbf{m}})^* \cong L_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}$ for all $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$.

The highest weight here is $m_1\omega_1 + \dots + m_{N-1}\omega_{N-1}$. Let $[-]_{\oplus}$ denote the (additive) Grothendieck group, which is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra. We have a \mathbb{Z} -basis given by (the set of the elements)

$$[L_{\mathbf{m}}] \in [\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus}.$$

Scalar extension gives a \mathbb{C} -algebra

$$[\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} = [\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}.$$

Let $\mathbb{Z}[X_i] = \mathbb{Z}[X_i \mid i \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}]$ where we use the X_i as variables. Recall that the fundamental \mathfrak{sl}_N -representations \otimes -generated $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, meaning that every simple \mathfrak{sl}_N -representation appears as a direct summand of some \otimes -tensor product of the fundamental \mathfrak{sl}_N -representations. They also commute, $L_{\omega_i} \otimes L_{\omega_j} \cong L_{\omega_j} \otimes L_{\omega_i}$ and do not satisfy any additional relation. Thus, we can see them as variables in the polynomial ring $\mathbb{Z}[X_i]$. That is, there is an isomorphism of rings

$$[\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}[X_i], \quad [L_{\omega_i}] \mapsto X_i,$$

which we will use to identify L_{ω_i} and X_i . (That is, abusing notation, we see them simultaneously as variables and isomorphism classes of \mathfrak{sl}_N -representations.)

Write $X_i^k = X_i^{\otimes k}$, for short, and also use $X_i X_j = X_j X_i$. For $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{N-1}$, write $X^{\mathbf{k}} = X_1^{k_1} \cdots X_{N-1}^{k_{N-1}}$. In this notation, we can state the following useful fact.

Lemma 2B.1. *We have two bases of $[\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus}$ given by $\{[L_{\mathbf{m}}] \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+\}$ and $\{[X^{\mathbf{k}}] \mid \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{N-1}\}$. Moreover, as \mathbb{Z} -algebras $[\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_{\oplus} \cong \mathbb{Z}[X_i]$.*

Proof. By classical theory. ■

Lemma 2B.1 motivates the definition of the *change-of-basis coefficients*,

$$[L_{\mathbf{m}}] = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} \cdot [X^{\mathbf{k}}], \quad d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad (2.2)$$

Note that this sum is finite since $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} = 0$ unless $\Sigma \mathbf{k} \leq \Sigma \mathbf{m}$. The numbers $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}}$ can be computed inductively, as explained in Section 2D below, and we have $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\bar{\mathbf{k}}} = d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}}$ and $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{m}} = 1$.

The center of SU_N is $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, which agrees with the weight lattice modulo the root lattice. We refer to the image of a weight in this quotient as its “color”, following, e.g., [57]. One can check that all weights within $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ have the same color, which motivates the following definition.

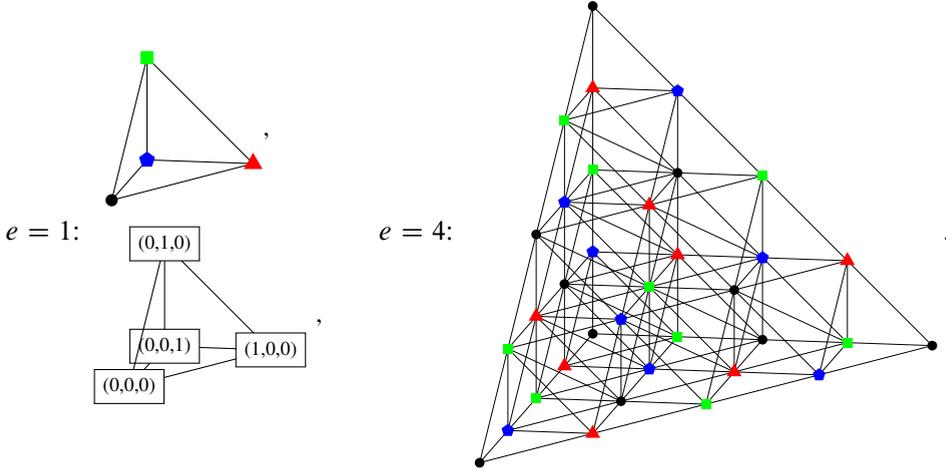
Definition 2B.3. Let us define colors associated to the simple $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ -representations

$$\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}}) = m_1 + 2m_2 + \cdots + (N-1)m_{N-1} \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}.$$

We call $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}})$ the *central character* of $L_{\mathbf{m}}$.

Remark 2B.4. The term central character comes from the fact that the center of the group $SL_N(\mathbb{C})$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$.

Example 2B.5. For $N = 2$, this is the parity coloring of $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. For $N = 3$ see [57, Example 3.16]. For $N = 4$, we have the following pictures of the \mathfrak{sl}_4 -weights in $X^+(e)$, which we identify with the respective $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ (the pictures display 3D graphs, designed to create a 3D effect with higher nodes extending into the page. The bottom left picture also gives the coordinates):



The color 0 corresponds to black circles, 1 to red triangles, 2 to green squares and 3 to blue pentagons. For example, for $e = 1$ the black circle represents the trivial \mathfrak{sl}_4 -representation $L_{0,0,0}$, the red triangle the defining \mathfrak{sl}_4 -representation $L_{1,0,0}$, the blue pentagon its dual $L_{0,0,1}$ and the green square the 6 dimensional simple \mathfrak{sl}_4 -representation $L_{0,1,0}$.

In these pictures the edges correspond to the action (by tensoring) of the direct sum of the fundamental \mathfrak{sl}_4 -representations $T = L_{1,0,0} \oplus L_{0,1,0} \oplus L_{0,0,1}$, seen in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ (defined a few lines below). For example, $T \otimes L_{0,0,0} \cong L_{1,0,0} \oplus L_{0,1,0} \oplus L_{0,0,1}$, which in the graph is represented by the three edges adjacent to the black circle.

These colors define a grading by $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ on $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, in the sense of [30, Definition 5.9], and we denote by $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_i$ the full subcategory of objects of color i .

Lemma 2B.6. *All simple summands of $X^{\mathbf{k}}$ have central character $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})$.*

Proof. All summands of $X^{\mathbf{k}}$ have the same color, and $L_{\mathbf{k}}$ is a summand of $X^{\mathbf{k}}$. ■

Specializing q to the primitive $2M$ th root of unity $\eta = \exp(i\pi/M)$ (using the integral form), where $M = e + N$, we obtain $U_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, as defined and used in, e.g., [3, 52]. There is an associated category of representations, which we can semisimplify as usual, see, e.g., [2] for details. This category is denoted by $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. The Grothendieck group of this category is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra by the fusion product.

Lemma 2B.7. *We have two bases of $[\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_\oplus$ given by $\{[L_{\mathbf{m}}] \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)\}$ and $\{[X^{\mathbf{k}}] \mid \mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)\}$.*

Proof. Well known by [2], see, for example, [29, Example 8.18.5]. ■

The following are known as *simplicial polytopical numbers*, since they count points in simplices.

Definition 2B.8. We define $p_N^e = \binom{e+N-1}{N-1} = \binom{M-1}{N-1}$.

We have shifted them when compared to the usual definition in the sense that our p_N^e is what is often denoted $P_{N-1}(e-1)$.

Example 2B.9. For $N = 2$ we have the linear numbers $p_2^e = e + 1$, for $N = 3$ we have the triangular numbers $p_3^e = \frac{(e+1)(e+2)}{2}$, see, e.g., [64, A000217].

Lemma 2B.10. *We have $[\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_\oplus \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus p_N^e}$ as free \mathbb{Z} -modules.*

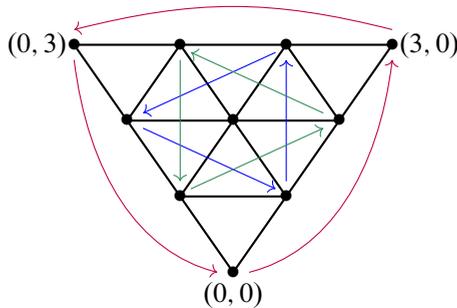
Proof. By Lemma 2B.7, this is just a count. ■

The object $L_{e\omega_1}$ is invertible in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ and, for any $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$, we have $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes L_{\mathbf{m}} \simeq L_{\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow}$, where $\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow = (e - \Sigma\mathbf{m}, m_1, \dots, m_{N-2})$. The map $\mathbf{m} \mapsto \mathbf{m}^\rightarrow$ defines an action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ on $X^+(e)$ and we will denote by $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}}$ the size of the stabilizer of \mathbf{m} .

Given $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$, the action $_ \rightarrow$ is more clearly understood on the extended tuple $(m_1, \dots, m_{N-1}, e - \Sigma\mathbf{m})$: it is the cyclic shift of the N coordinates

$$(m_1, \dots, m_{N-1}, e - \Sigma\mathbf{m}) \mapsto (e - \Sigma\mathbf{m}, m_1, \dots, m_{N-1}).$$

Example 2B.11. For $N = 3$ and $e = 3$, the action $_ \rightarrow$ on $X^+(e)$ is a rotation,



For $N = 4$, the action $_ \rightarrow$ on the tetrahedron $X^+(e)$ is a rotation composed with a reflection, corresponding to a 4-cycle on the extremal vertices of the tetrahedron. Explicitly with $e = 22$, one has $(2, 3, 11)^\rightarrow = (6, 2, 3)$ and $(1, 10, 1)^\rightarrow = (10, 1, 10)$. Note that the extended tuple $(1, 10, 1, 10)$ is 2-periodic and therefore $(1, 10, 1)$ has a stabilizer of order $N/2$.

As for $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, we have a grading by $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ on $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ by colors and we denote by $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_i$ the full subcategory of objects of color i . For later use we recall the following.

Lemma 2B.12. *The grading on $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ by colors induces a grading on its Drinfeld center, also by colors.*

Proof. Easy and omitted. ■

We denote the full subcategory of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ of objects of color i by $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_i$, and similarly for the Drinfeld center.

2C. Braiding and ribbon structure

The fusion category $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ is equipped with a braided structure $\beta_{-, -}$. This structure is obtained through the use of the universal R -matrix of $U_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, as one can adapt from, e.g., [35, Chapter 7], and a choice of an N th root of η , which we denote by $\eta^{1/N}$. Denote by ζ the N th root of unity $\eta^{2M/N} = \exp(2i\pi/N)$. We also endow $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ with a spherical structure, the corresponding quantum trace Tr and the corresponding ribbon structure θ . (For the definition of a ribbon structure, we refer to [29, Definition 8.10.1].) We will denote by $S_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m}'}$ the values of the S -matrix as defined in [29, Definition 8.13.2].

Lemma 2C.1. *For any $\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m}' \in X^+(e)$, we have the following formula for the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$:*

$$S_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m}'}^{\mathfrak{sl}} = \frac{\sum_{w \in \mathfrak{G}_N} (-1)^{l(w)} \eta^{2(\mathbf{m} + \rho, w(\mathbf{m}' + \rho))}}{\sum_{w \in \mathfrak{G}_N} (-1)^{l(w)} \eta^{2(\rho, w(\rho))}}.$$

For any $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$, the ribbon $\theta_{\mathbf{m}}$ on $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ is given by multiplication by the scalar $\eta^{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m} + 2\rho)}$.

Proof. A proof of the lemma can be found in, e.g., [8, Theorem 3.3.20]. ■

Using Bruguières's criterion [17, Section 5], the fusion category $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ is modular if and only if $\eta^{1/N}$ is a primitive $2MN$ th root of unity.

Lemma 2C.2. *Let $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$. Then $\beta_{L_{e\omega_1}, L_{\mathbf{m}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}}, L_{e\omega_1}} = \zeta^{-\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}})} \cdot \mathrm{id}$.*

Proof. Since $L_{\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow} = L_{\mathbf{m}} \otimes L_{e\omega_1}$ and since θ is a ribbon element, we have $\theta_{\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow} = (\theta_{\mathbf{m}} \otimes \theta_{e\omega_1}) \circ \beta_{L_{e\omega_1}, L_{\mathbf{m}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}}, L_{e\omega_1}}$. Using Lemma 2C.1, we therefore obtain $\beta_{L_{e\omega_1}, L_{\mathbf{m}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}}, L_{e\omega_1}} = \eta^{(\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow, \mathbf{m}^\rightarrow + 2\rho) - (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m} + 2\rho) - (e\omega_1, e\omega_1 + 2\rho)} \cdot \mathrm{id}$. One may finally show that

$$(\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow, \mathbf{m}^\rightarrow + 2\rho) - (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m} + 2\rho) - (e\omega_1, e\omega_1 + 2\rho) = -2e\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}})/N. \quad \blacksquare$$

Since the exponent of ζ in Lemma 2C.2 is the opposite of the color, the grading by color is then retrieved using the double braiding similar to [29, Lemma 8.22.1].

2D. Chebyshev-like polynomials

The following polynomials are due to Koornwinder [40], and Eier–Lidl [22]. We mildly change the conventions for convenience.

Definition 2D.1. For each $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$ we define *Chebyshev polynomials (of the second kind)* for \mathfrak{sl}_N , denoted by $U_{\mathbf{m}} \in \mathbb{Z}[X_i]$, as

$$U_{\mathbf{m}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} \cdot [X^{\mathbf{k}}],$$

with $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} \in \mathbb{Z}$ as in equation (2.2).

By convention, $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ and $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ with negative subscripts m_i are zero.

Lemma 2D.2. Let w_j^i denote the weights of L_{ω_i} . For $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$, we have the following Chebyshev-like recursion relations:

$$U_{\mathbf{m}}(X_1, \dots, X_{N-1}) = U_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}(X_{N-1}, \dots, X_1), \quad X_i U_{\mathbf{m}} = \sum_j U_{\mathbf{m}+w_j^i}.$$

Together with the starting conditions for $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 0, 1$ (as in Example 2D.3 for $N = 4$), these recursion relations determine the polynomials $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ for all \mathbf{m} .

Proof. By construction and classical theory (such as the dual Pieri rule). ■

Example 2D.3. The examples for $N = 2$ are the Chebyshev polynomials of the second kind normalized using the variable $x/2$ instead of x , while [57, Example 2.6] lists examples for $N = 3$.

The next case is $N = 4$, we have three fundamental variables, X_1, X_2 and X_3 , associated to the simple 4 (the vector representation), 6 and 4 dimensional \mathfrak{sl}_4 -representations. We have the following recursion. If $m_i < 0$, then $U_{m_1, m_2, m_3} = 0$, and $U_{0,0,0} = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} U_{m_1, m_2, m_3} &= X_1 \cdot U_{m_1-1, m_2, m_3} - U_{m_1-2, m_2+1, m_3} - U_{m_1-1, m_2-1, m_3+1} \\ &\quad - U_{m_1-1, m_2, m_3-1}, \\ U_{m_1, m_2, m_3} &= X_2 \cdot U_{m_1, m_2-1, m_3} - U_{m_1+1, m_2-2, m_3+1} - U_{m_1-1, m_2-1, m_3+1} \\ &\quad - U_{m_1+1, m_2-1, m_3-1} - U_{m_1-1, m_2, m_3-1} - U_{m_1, m_2-2, m_3}, \\ U_{m_1, m_2, m_3} &= X_3 \cdot U_{m_1, m_2, m_3-1} - U_{m_1, m_2+1, m_3-2} - U_{m_1+1, m_2-1, m_3-1} \\ &\quad - U_{m_1-1, m_2, m_3-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now $U_{0,0,0} = 1$ and

$\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 1$	$U_{1,0,0} = X_1,$	$U_{0,1,0} = X_2,$	$U_{0,0,1} = X_3,$
$\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 2$	$U_{2,0,0} = X_1^2 - X_2,$	$U_{1,1,0} = X_1X_2 - X_3,$	$U_{1,0,1} = X_1X_3 - 1,$
	$U_{0,2,0} = X_2^2 - X_1X_3,$	$U_{0,1,1} = X_2X_3 - X_1,$	$U_{0,0,2} = X_3^2 - X_2,$
$\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 3$	$U_{3,0,0} = X_1^3 - 2X_1X_2 + X_3,$	$U_{2,1,0} = X_1^2X_2 - X_1X_3 - X_2^2 + 1,$	
	$U_{2,0,1} = X_1^2X_3 - X_2X_3 - X_1,$	$U_{1,2,0} = X_1X_2^2 - X_1^2X_3 - X_2X_3 + X_1,$	
	$U_{1,1,1} = X_1X_2X_3 - X_1^2 - X_3^2,$	$U_{1,0,2} = X_1X_3^2 - X_1X_2 - X_3,$	
	$U_{0,3,0} = X_2^3 - 2X_1X_2X_3 + X_1^2 + X_3^2 - X_2,$		
	$U_{0,2,1} = X_2^2X_3 - X_1X_3^2 - X_1X_2 + X_3,$		
	$U_{0,1,2} = X_2X_3^2 - X_1X_3 - X_2^2 + 1,$		
	$U_{0,0,3} = X_3^3 - 2X_2X_3 + X_1.$		

For $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 4$ there are already 15 polynomials and for $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = 5$ there are 21, so we omit to put them here. Instead let us list the polynomials for the symmetric powers $U^{(k)} = U_{(k,0,0)}$ varying k (the shading indicates when the constant coefficient is nonzero):

k	0	1	2	3	4	
$U^{(k)}$	1	X_1	$X_1^2 - X_2$	$X_1^3 - 2X_1X_2 + X_3$	$X_1^4 - 3X_1^2X_2 + 2X_1X_3 + X_2^2 - 1$	
k				5	6	7
$U^{(k)}$				$X_1^5 - 4X_1^3X_2 + 3X_1^2X_3 + 3X_1X_2^2 - 2X_2X_3 - 2X_1$	$X_1^6 \pm \dots + 2X_2$	$X_1^7 \pm \dots - 2X_3$
k		8	9	10		
$U^{(k)}$		$X_1^8 \pm \dots + 1$	$X_1^9 \pm \dots + 3X_1$	$X_1^{10} \pm \dots - 3X_2$		
k		11	12			
$U^{(k)}$		$X_1^{11} \pm \dots + 3X_3$	$X_1^{12} \pm \dots - 1$			

We will see in the proof of Lemma 2D.4 below how one can compute these fairly efficiently.

Lemma 2D.4. *The polynomial $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ has a nonzero constant term only if $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) = 0$. Moreover, for a given $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, all Chebyshev polynomials $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ with $\Sigma \mathbf{m} = e + 1$ have a zero constant term if and only if $e \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$.*

Proof. This proof is much more involved than in [57, Lemma 2.8].

The trivial representation is of color 0, which implies that if $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) \neq 0$ then $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ has a zero constant coefficient.

The vanishing of the constant term is understood using the recursion [9, (5.18)], which is nicely expressed using partitions instead of highest weights. This recursion implies that the Chebyshev polynomial $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ has a nonzero constant coefficient if and

only if the residues modulo N of $(m_1 + \cdots + m_{N-1} + N - 1, m_2 + \cdots + m_{N-1} + N - 2, \dots, m_{N-1} + 1, 0)$ are all different. Therefore, if $\Sigma \mathbf{m} \equiv 1 \pmod N$, the residue 0 appears at least twice and $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ has zero constant term. Conversely, given $e \equiv k \pmod N$ with $0 < k < N$, one may check that for $\mathbf{m} = \omega_k + e\omega_{N-1}$, the Chebyshev polynomial $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ has a nonzero constant term. ■

Remark 2D.5. To be self-contained, the alternative recursion that we mention above comes from the following observation: It is remarkably easy to find a recursion for the k th symmetric power of the vector \mathfrak{sl}_N -representation, which corresponds to $U_{(k,0,\dots,0)}$ in our notation. For $N = 2$ this recursion is the standard recursion since all simple \mathfrak{sl}_2 -representations are symmetric powers. For $N > 2$ let $U^{(k)}(X_1, \dots, X_{N-1}) = U_{(k,0,\dots,0)}(X_1, \dots, X_{N-1})$ denote these polynomials. The recursion then takes the form

$$U^{(k+N)} - X_1 U^{(k+N-1)} + \cdots + (-1)^{N-1} X_{N-1} U^{(k+1)} + (-1)^N U^{(k)} = 0,$$

with some additional starting conditions. The main observation made in [9, (5.18)] is that this recursion also takes a nice form in the partition notation for the highest weights. In this recursion, setting all variables to zero (the constant term) gives

$$U^{(k+N)} + (-1)^N U^{(k)} = 0,$$

and the claim then follows easily.

A classical result of Kostant [41] gives a formula for certain powers of the Dedekind η -function by summing over simple \mathfrak{sl}_N -representations $L_{\mathbf{m}}$, and the coefficients $\epsilon_{\mathbf{m}}$ which appear are in $\{0, 1, -1\}$. The following is a fun side observation.

Proposition 2D.6. *The constant coefficient of the Chebyshev polynomial $U_{\mathbf{m}}$ is equal to the trace of $a(ny)$ Coxeter element acting on the zero weight space of $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ which in turn is equal to $\epsilon_{\mathbf{m}}$.*

Proof. This follows by comparing [9, (5.18)] and [1, Theorem 1.2]. ■

2E. Koornwinder variety

All proofs in this section are much more intricate than their rank 2 or 3 counterparts in [57]. We define the following.

Definition 2E.1. Let J_e be the ideal generated by

$$\{U_{\mathbf{m}} \mid \Sigma \mathbf{m} = e + 1\} \subset \mathbb{Z}[X_i].$$

We call J_e the *vanishing ideal* of level e . Associated to it is the *Koornwinder variety* of level e

$$V_e = \{\boldsymbol{\gamma} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{N-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N-1} \mid p(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = 0 \text{ for all } p \in J_e\} \subset \mathbb{C}^{N-1}$$

which we consider as a complex variety.

Remark 2E.2. Following history, one could also call V_e the *Chebyshev–Eier–Koornwinder–Lidl variety*, cf. [40], which discusses the case $N = 3$ and [22], which discusses the general case, but that is a mouthful.

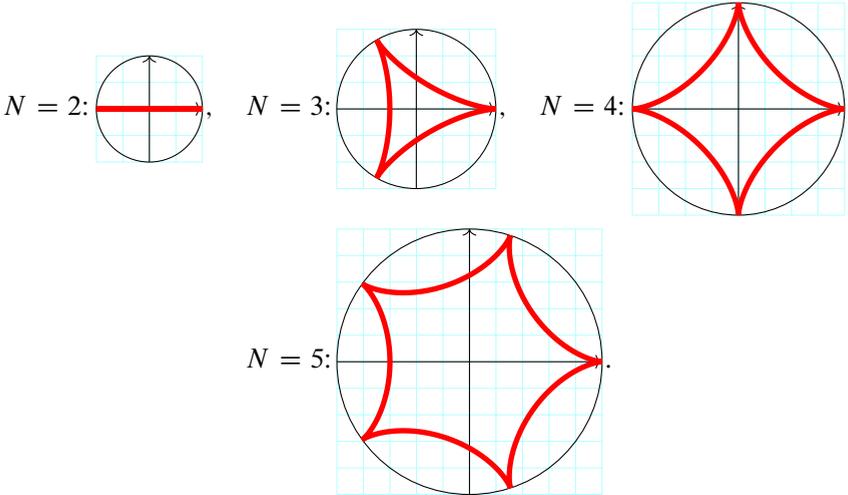
Example 2E.3. All roots of Chebyshev polynomials U_m have their first coordinate in the interior of the N -cusped hypocycloid defined by the parametric equation

$$x(\theta) = (N - 1) \cos(\theta) + \cos((N - 1)\theta)$$

and

$$y(\theta) = (N - 1) \sin(\theta) - \sin((N - 1)\theta).$$

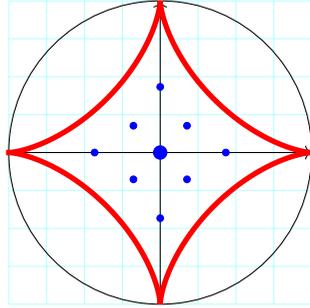
This is a folk result, and can, for example, be explicitly found in [37, Section 3]. Recall that these are plane curves generated by following a point on a circle of radius 1 that rolls within a circle of radius N . Here are the pictures (throughout, we identify the plane with complex numbers):



To be completely explicit, let $N = 4$ and $e = 2$. The points in the corresponding Koornwinder variety are

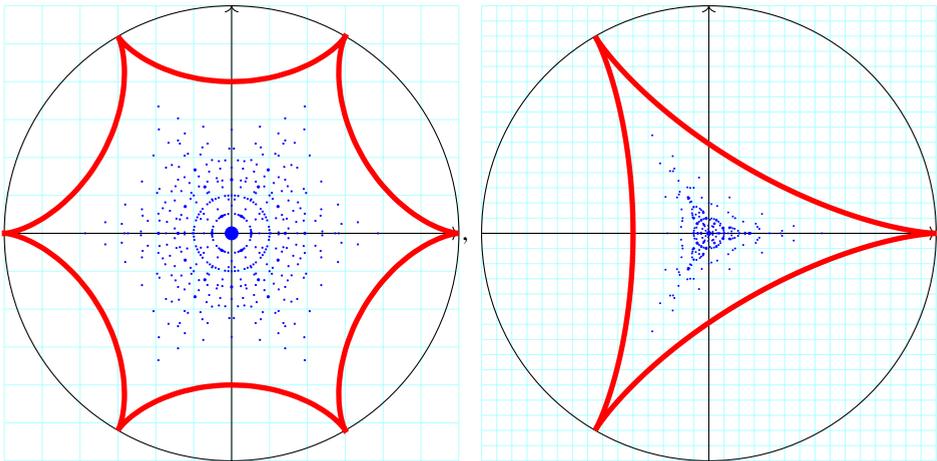
$$\begin{aligned} &(0, -1, 0), (0, 1, 0), (\sqrt{3}i, -2, -\sqrt{3}i), (-\sqrt{3}i, -2, \sqrt{3}i), (\sqrt{3}, 2, \sqrt{3}), \\ &(-\sqrt{3}, 2, -\sqrt{3}), (e^{2i\pi/8}, 0, e^{14i\pi/8}), (e^{6i\pi/8}, 0, e^{10i\pi/8}), \\ &(e^{10i\pi/8}, 0, e^{6i\pi/8}), (e^{14i\pi/8}, 0, e^{2i\pi/8}) \in \mathbb{C}^3. \end{aligned}$$

We have the following plot of the first coordinates:



The point at zero is illustrated thick since two points in the Koornwinder variety share zero as the first coordinate $((0, -1, 0)$ and $(0, 1, 0)$). Similar conventions are used throughout, i.e., the thickness of points indicates their multiplicity.

Example 2E.4. For $N = 6$ and $e = 6$, the Koornwinder variety has $p_6^6 = 462$ points, as one can check with MAGMA for example. We have the following plot of the first coordinate, resp. of the second coordinate:



We have not included the third coordinate since the points are on the real line. The fourth and fifth coordinates are the complex conjugates of the second and the first. Note that the radius of the circle of the i th coordinate equals the dimension of the \mathfrak{sl}_N -representation L_{ω_i} .

Definition 2E.5. For $1 \leq i \leq N - 1$, we introduce *Koornwinder's Z-functions* $Z_i: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

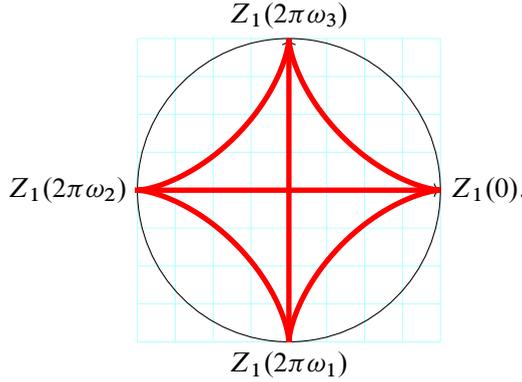
$$Z_i(\sigma) = \sum_j \exp(i(\sigma, w_j^i)),$$

where we recall that $(w_j^i)_j$ are the weights of the fundamental representation L_{ω_i} .

Remark 2E.6. The map Z_1 is $2\pi Y$ periodic, where Y is the root lattice, and is invariant under the action of \mathfrak{S}_N . The fundamental domain of $E/2\pi Y$ for this action is

$$D = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \lambda_i \alpha_i \mid 2\lambda_i \geq \lambda_{i-1} + \lambda_{i+1} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i < N, \lambda_1 + \lambda_{N-1} \leq 2\pi \right\}.$$

Note that, in contrast to [40] (this is $N = 3$), the map Z_1 is not injective on the fundamental domain D for $N > 3$. For example, for $N = 4$, D is a tetrahedron and the image of the six edges under Z_1 are the following:



The edge joining the vertices 0 and $2\pi\omega_2$ and the one joining the vertices $2\pi\omega_1$ and $2\pi\omega_3$ are mapped to the parts of the real and the imaginary axis inside the hyperboloid.

To describe V_e using the functions Z_i , we introduce a different parametrization.

Definition 2E.7. Define V'_e as the set $V'_e = \{ \frac{2\pi}{e+N}(\mathbf{k} + \rho) \mid \mathbf{k} \in X^+(e) \}$. For $\sigma = \frac{2\pi}{e+N}(\mathbf{k} + \rho) \in V'_e$, we denote by $\sigma \rightarrow$ the element $\frac{2\pi}{e+N}(\mathbf{k} \rightarrow + \rho) \in V'_e$.

Lemma 2E.8. Given $\sigma \in V'_e$, we have $(Z_1(\sigma), \dots, Z_{N-1}(\sigma)) \in V_e$.

Proof. See Section 5A.1. ■

Example 2E.9. For $N = 3$, the coordinates of the vectors of V'_e in the basis (α_1, α_2) coincide with the expression as in [57, (2-11)]. For $N = 4$, we get

$$V'_e = \left\{ \frac{2\pi}{4(e+4)} (3k_1 + 2k_2 + 1k_3 + 6, 2k_1 + 4k_2 + 2k_3 + 8, 1k_1 + 2k_2 + 3k_3 + 6) \mid 0 \leq k_1 + k_2 + k_3 \leq e \right\},$$

from Definition 2E.7, where the coordinates are given in the basis $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$.

In the next theorem we use the Möbius function μ .

Theorem 2E.10. *We have the following:*

- (a) As \mathbb{Z} -algebras we have $[\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_\oplus \cong \mathbb{Z}[X_i]/J_e$.
- (b) $\#\mathbb{V}_e = p_N^e$.
- (c) The number of points in \mathbb{V}_e with stabilizer of size m under multiplication by ζ is

$$\frac{N}{M} \sum_{k|g} \mu(k) \binom{M/mk}{N/mk},$$

where $g = \gcd(N/m, M/m)$.

Proof. Part (a). As explained in [9, Section 5.a], imported to our setting using [9, Section 5.d], the Chebyshev polynomial U_m is the character of the classical analog of L_m . Therefore $[L_m] \mapsto U_m$ is a well-defined ring isomorphism $[\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)]_\oplus \cong \mathbb{Z}[X_i]$. The claimed isomorphism then follows from Lemma 2B.7 and [4, Proposition 1.4], which shows that the negligible ideal is tensor generated by $\{L_m \mid \Sigma m = e + 1\}$ (this could also be derived from quantum Racah formula as, e.g., in [71, Corollary 8]).

Part (b). This is proven in Section 5A.2.

Part (c). This is proven in Section 5A.3. ■

3. Nhedral Hecke algebras and categories

While reading this section we recommend having Lemma 2B.1 as well as Theorem 2E.10 (a) in mind, that we are going to “color”.

3A. Nhedral Hecke algebras

Let $I = \{0, \dots, N-1\}$, identified with the set of vertices of the affine type A_{N-1} Dynkin diagram. The associated Weyl group is $W = \langle s_i \mid i \in I \rangle / (\text{relations in (3.2)})$.

Notation 3A.1. To ease notation, we write i instead of s_i for the standard generators of W . We will also often write, e.g., 145 for the set $\{1, 4, 5\}$.

Summarized in one picture:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \tilde{A}_{N-1} = A_{N-1}^{(1)}: \\
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 \quad (3.2)$$

$010 = 101$
 $121 = 212$
 \dots
 $(N-1)0(N-1) = 0(N-1)0$

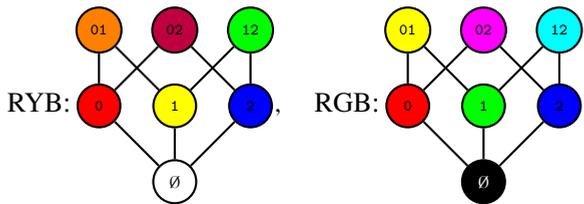
relations: $ii = 1$ and

For $k \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$, a k -color is a subset $C \subset I$ of size k . For such a C its *ingredient colors* are the $D \subset I$ of size $k - 1$ such that $\#C\Delta D = 1$, i.e., they differ by precisely one element. The unique 0-color is \emptyset , also called *white*.

Remark 3A.3. The colors correspond to *finite parabolic subgroups*. Note that I is not a color, which could be called *black*, as the corresponding subgroup would be W itself and therefore infinite (so black does not exist).

The $(N-1)$ -colors are the subsets $C \subset I$ of size $N-1$, and since we use them often we call these *top colors*. These correspond to maximal finite parabolic subgroups of W .

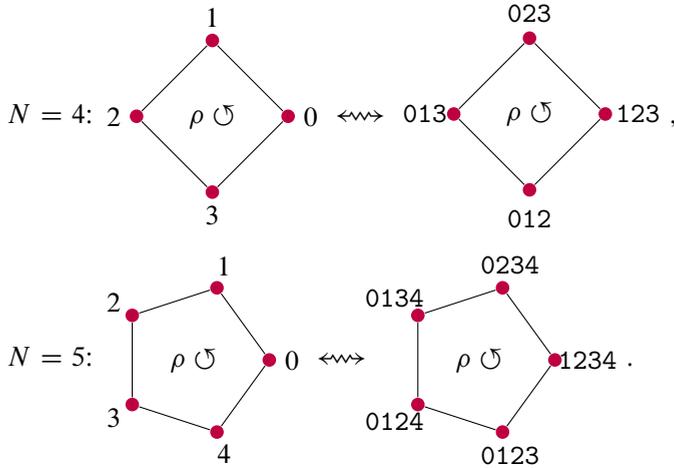
Example 3A.4. For $N = 3$, the color analogy can be used at its fullest, either in the RYB model (as in [57], the convention we follow) or the RGB model: Here 0 is red, 1 is either yellow or green, and 2 is blue. Moreover, 01 is orange or yellow, 02 is purple or magenta, and 12 is green or cyan.



(Note that white is black in RGB.) Beyond $N = 3$ the color analogy gets a bit shaky, but is still useful to keep in mind.

Label the vertices of an N gon from 0 to $N-1$ counterclockwise. Let us put the top colors on the vertices of such a regular N gon, so that C corresponds to the vertex i with $C \cup i = I$. Let $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \cong \langle \rho_0, \dots, \rho_{N-1} \mid \rho_i \rho_j = \rho_{i+j \bmod N} \rangle$ act on this

configuration by rotation, i.e., $\rho = \rho_1: i \rightarrow i + 1 \pmod N$. For example, for $N = 4$ and $N = 5$,



Notation 3A.5. We will always have a set of size $N - 1$ inside a set of size N , and we will index the subsets by the missing value. Similarly, the parabolic subgroups of W corresponding to these subsets will be indexed by the missing value. For example, if $N = 4$, then 023 will be denoted 1 and the corresponding parabolic subgroup by W_1 .

Recall that v is a generic parameter. The quantum numbers in this variable will be denoted by $[a]_v$ etc.

Definition 3A.6. The *Nhedral Hecke algebra* T_∞ of level ∞ is the associative unital (\mathbb{C}^v) -algebra generated by N elements $\{\theta_i \mid i \in I\}$ subject to the following relations:

$$\theta_i^2 = [N]_v! \cdot \theta_i, \quad \theta_{k+i+j}\theta_{k+i}\theta_k = \theta_{k+i+j}\theta_{k+j}\theta_k \quad \text{for all } i, j, k \in I, \quad (3.7)$$

where indices are taken modulo N . The second type of relation is called *fundamental commutativity*.

Remark 3A.8. We have the following rough analogy, motivating Definition 3A.6. This algebra sits inside the affine Hecke algebra (see Lemma 3A.11), capturing the part associated with the bottom Kazhdan–Lusztig cell. Through decategorified geometric Satake, tensoring with a simple representation of color i , call it $L_{\mathbf{m}}$, acts on representations of color j , producing representations of color $i + j$. This operation corresponds to multiplying with a Kazhdan–Lusztig basis element Θ_w for a particular maximal double coset in $W_{i+j} \setminus W/W_j$ depending on \mathbf{m} and j . As a result, a single representation gives rise to different elements in the Hecke algebra depending on the starting color.

This analogy is only approximate: multiplication in the Hecke algebra corresponds to composition of functors of tensoring with the corresponding representation only up to scalar. (For the reader familiar with [57], for $N = 2$ and $N = 3$ there is a diagrammatic incarnation of this functor that changes the color of faces.) For example, the trivial representation maps to an idempotent θ_i , but $\theta_i^2 = [N]_v! \cdot \theta_i$. This mismatch arises because geometric Satake more precisely lands in the spherical affine Hecke algebra.

Recall that X_i denotes the isomorphism class of the representation L_{ω_i} of $\mathbf{Rep}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. The fundamental commutativity is then mimicking $X_j X_i = X_i X_j$ when compared with Remark 3A.8. Moreover, given an expression $\theta_j \cdots \theta_i$, we call i the *starting* and j the *ending color*.

Example 3A.9. Let $N = 4$. Then, up to changing the starting color, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_3 \theta_1 \theta_0 &= \theta_3 \theta_2 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_2 X_1 = X_1 X_2, \\ \theta_0 \theta_1 \theta_0 &= \theta_0 \theta_3 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_3 X_1 = X_1 X_3, \\ \theta_1 \theta_2 \theta_0 &= \theta_1 \theta_3 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_3 X_2 = X_2 X_3,\end{aligned}$$

as the fundamental commutativity relations.

Remark 3A.10. Recall from Section 1A that we think of Nhedral Hecke algebras as having a degree zero part corresponding to (the Grothendieck ring of) $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$. Essentially, this means that there is a scaling of the Nhedral Hecke algebras such that: a) specializing v to zero results in a coefficient-free structure; b) the relations are simplified; and c) the combinatorics of words in these algebras mirror the behavior of the fundamental variables X_i . We will explore all of this below.

Note that $\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$ is half of the span of $[N]_v!$. So after shifting by $v^{\mathbf{a}}$, at $v = 0$ the relation $\theta_i^2 = [N]_v! \cdot \theta_i$ becomes $\theta_i^2 = \theta_i$. We will see a natural explanation for the value of $\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$ in Remark 4B.1.

Every i defines a word of length $\frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$ as follows. Say $i = N-1$, the general case being similar, then

$$w_i = (012 \cdots (N-2)) \cdots (012)(01)(0) \in W_i.$$

Note that the w_i are reduced expressions for the longest elements in their associated parabolic subgroups W_i .

Let $H(\tilde{A}_{N-1})$ denote the Hecke algebra of affine type A_{N-1} . Following the conventions of [72], this algebra is generated by $\{\Theta_i \mid i \in I\}$ subject to (reading indices modulo N)

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_i^2 &= [2]_v \Theta_i, & \Theta_i \Theta_j \Theta_i - \Theta_i &= \Theta_j \Theta_i \Theta_j - \Theta_j & \text{for } |i-j| = 1, \\ \Theta_i \Theta_j &= \Theta_j \Theta_i & \text{for } |i-j| > 1.\end{aligned}$$

Let Θ_w denote the KL basis element for $w \in W$, see, e.g., [72]. We have the following.

Lemma 3A.11 (This assumes equation (QSH)). *The algebra homomorphism given by*

$$\theta_i \mapsto \Theta_{w_i},$$

defines an embedding $T_\infty \hookrightarrow H(\tilde{A}_{N-1})$ of algebras.

The proof of Lemma 3A.11 is different from the one given in [57, Lemma 3.2], and is postponed to Section 5B.1.

Remark 3A.12. Returning to Remark 1C.2, these statements are primarily uncat-egorified and should follow from combinatorial equivalences akin to the geometric Satake equivalence. However, we remain uncertain about how to formalize this, and after consulting several experts, none of us could interpret, for example, the fundamental commutativity relation geometrically. We identify three immediate issues. First, the combinatorial statement that most closely resembles what we require, namely, that certain Kazhdan–Lusztig basis elements multiply like representations, applies to the spherical Hecke algebra, whereas our work involves the affine Hecke algebra (though this is a relatively minor issue). Second, the fundamental commutativity relation in our context involves three elements, whereas the usual Satake equivalence concerns the commutativity of the tensor product, which involves only two factors. As such, the fundamental commutativity is more appropriately viewed as a 2-categorical analog, a perspective that is directly incorporated into equation (QSH). Finally, equation (QSH) is specifically concerned with type A phenomena, while the geometric Satake correspondence is not type-specific, leading to subtle but crucial differences. Ultimately, we remain unsure how to eliminate the assumption equation (QSH) from these results.

The Nhdral KL combinatorics works as follows. For $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_{N-1}) \in X^+$ and starting color i , let

$$h_i^{\mathbf{k}} = \theta_{i_{\Sigma \mathbf{k}}} \cdots \theta_{i_1} \theta_{i_0}$$

with $i_0 = i$ and $i_{r+1} = \rho^j(i_r) = i_r + j$ such that $k_j = \#\{0 \leq r < \Sigma \mathbf{k} \mid i_{r+1} = \rho^j(i_r)\}$ for all j . (This looks cumbersome, but is not difficult to explain with an example, see Example 3A.16 below.) We will call $\Sigma \mathbf{k}$ the ending color. Reversing the order, let

$${}^{\mathbf{k}}h = \theta_{i_0} \theta_{i_1} \cdots \theta_{i_{\Sigma \mathbf{k}}}$$

be defined similarly to $h_i^{\mathbf{k}}$ but using ρ^{-j} instead of ρ^j .

Lemma 3A.13. *For any color $i \in I$ and any $\mathbf{k} \in X^+$, the elements $h_i^{\mathbf{k}}$ and ${}^{\mathbf{k}}h$ only depend on \mathbf{k} and not on the chosen sequence $i = i_0, i_1, \dots, i_{\Sigma \mathbf{k}}$.*

Proof. Using the fundamental commutativity relation, we can swap two successive differences of colors. Therefore, any word representing h_i^k is equivalent to the word with increasing successive differences of colors. ■

Lemma 3A.14. *For any $i \in I$ and $\mathbf{k} \in X^+$, let j be the ending color of h_i^k . We have $h_i^k = \frac{k}{j}h$.*

Proof. This follows immediately from Lemma 3A.13. ■

Remark 3A.15. Via equation (QSH), the element h_i^k is associated to $X_1^{k_1} \cdots X_{N-1}^{k_{N-1}}$ because its definition involves k_j times the application of ρ^j .

Example 3A.16. Let us choose 0 as the starting color. For $N = 4$ and $\Sigma \mathbf{k} = 2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} h_0^{2,0,0} &= \theta_2 \theta_1 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_1^2, & h_0^{0,2,0} &= \theta_0 \theta_2 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_2^2, \\ h_0^{0,0,2} &= \theta_2 \theta_3 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_3^2, & h_0^{1,1,0} &= \theta_3 \theta_1 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_2 X_1, \\ h_0^{1,0,1} &= \theta_0 \theta_1 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_3 X_1, & h_0^{0,1,1} &= \theta_1 \theta_2 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow X_3 X_2. \end{aligned}$$

Note that, for example, $h_0^{1,1,0} = \theta_3 \theta_2 \theta_0$ by equation (3.7), and on the representation side by $X_2 X_1 = X_1 X_2$. With 1 as the starting color, we have $h_1^{2,0,0} = \theta_3 \theta_2 \theta_1$.

Let $\chi = [N - 1]_v!$ and recall the numbers $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}}$ from equation (2.2). Motivated by equation (2.2), for each $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$, we define (right) Nhedral KL basis elements

$$c_i^{\mathbf{m}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \chi^{-\Sigma \mathbf{k}} d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} \cdot h_i^{\mathbf{k}}.$$

Note that the three sums are finite, because $d_{\mathbf{m}}^{\mathbf{k}} = 0$ unless $\Sigma \mathbf{k} \leq \Sigma \mathbf{m}$. Similarly, using $\frac{k}{i}h$ instead of h_i^k , we define the (left) Nhedral KL basis elements ${}_{\mathbf{m}}^i c$. Note that the ending color of every term h_i^k appearing in the sum has the same ending color.

Remark 3A.17. Via equation (QSH), the element $c_i^{\mathbf{m}}$ is associated to the Chebyshev polynomial $U_{\mathbf{m}}(X_1, \dots, X_{N-1})$.

Example 3A.18. For $N = 4$ and $\Sigma \mathbf{k} = 2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} c_0^{2,0,0} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_2 \theta_1 \theta_0 - \chi^{-1} \theta_2 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{2,0,0} = X_1^2 - X_2, \\ c_0^{0,2,0} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_0 \theta_2 \theta_0 - \chi^{-2} \theta_0 \theta_1 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{0,2,0} = X_2^2 - X_3 X_1, \\ c_0^{0,0,2} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_2 \theta_3 \theta_0 - \chi^{-1} \theta_2 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{0,0,2} = X_3^2 - X_2, \\ c_0^{1,1,0} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_3 \theta_1 \theta_0 - \chi^{-1} \theta_3 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{1,1,0} = X_2 X_1 - X_3, \\ c_0^{1,0,1} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_0 \theta_1 \theta_0 - \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{1,0,1} = X_3 X_1 - 1, \\ c_0^{0,1,1} &= \chi^{-2} \theta_1 \theta_2 \theta_0 - \chi^{-1} \theta_1 \theta_0 \leftrightarrow U_{0,1,1} = X_3 X_2 - X_1, \end{aligned}$$

with 0 as the starting color.

Lemma 3A.19. *For any $i \in I$ and $\mathbf{k} \in X^+$, let j be the ending color of $c_i^{\mathbf{k}}$. We have $c_i^{\mathbf{k}} = c_j^{\mathbf{k}}$.*

Proof. Same as Lemma 3A.14. ■

Lemma 3A.20 (This assumes equation (QSH)). *For all $i \in I$ and $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$, let j be the ending color of $c_i^{\mathbf{m}}$. Let $0 \leq k < N$. With the notation in Lemma 2D.2, we have*

$$\theta_{j+k} c_i^{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{cases} [N]_{\mathbf{v}}! c_i^{\mathbf{m}} & k = 0, \\ \varkappa \sum_l c_i^{\mathbf{m} + w_l^k} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where terms with negative entries are zero. Similarly for the left KL elements.

Remark 3A.21. Further, coming back to Remark 3A.10, after shifting, at $\mathbf{v} = 0$, Lemma 3A.20 becomes

$$\theta_{j+k} c_i^{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{cases} c_i^{\mathbf{m}} & k = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

since \varkappa has a smaller span than $N(N - 1)$. This justifies the ‘‘degree 0 isomorphism’’ from T_e in Definition 3A.24 to the Grothendieck ring of the asymptotic category $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ in Definition 4A.1.

Proposition 3A.22 (This assumes equation (QSH)). *Each of the four sets*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}^\infty &= \{1\} \cup \{h_i^{\mathbf{k}} \mid \mathbf{k} \in X^+, i \in I\}, & \infty\mathbf{H} &= \{1\} \cup \{i^{\mathbf{k}}h \mid \mathbf{k} \in X^+, i \in I\}, \\ \mathbf{C}^\infty &= \{1\} \cup \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+, i \in I\}, & \infty\mathbf{C} &= \{1\} \cup \{i^{\mathbf{m}}c \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+, i \in I\} \end{aligned}$$

is a basis of T_∞ . The first two are called Nhedral Bott–Samelson bases, the final two Nhedral KL bases.

Recall the definition of left, right and two-sided cells for T_∞ using the Nhedral KL basis, see, for example, [57, Definition 3.10]. The unit forms its own cell, that we call the trivial cell.

Proposition 3A.23. *There is one nontrivial two-sided cell for the algebra T_∞ , namely*

$$J = \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+, i \in I\} = \{i^{\mathbf{m}}c \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+, i \in I\}.$$

The left and right cells contained in J are

$$\mathbf{L}_i = \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+\}, \quad \mathbf{R}_i = \{i^{\mathbf{m}}c \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+\}, \quad \text{for } i \in I.$$

Therefore, there are N nontrivial left and right cells.

Proof. As in [57, Proof of Proposition 3.11], this follows from Lemma 3A.20. ■

We now define finite dimensional quotients of T_∞ , which are compatible with the cell structure in Proposition 3A.23.

Definition 3A.24. For our fixed e , let I_e be the two-sided ideal in T_∞ generated by

$$\{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid i \in I, \mathbf{m} \in X^+, \Sigma \mathbf{m} = e + 1\}.$$

We define the *Nhedral Hecke algebra of level e* as

$$T_e = T_\infty / I_e$$

and we call I_e the *vanishing ideal* of level e .

Proposition 3A.25. *The set*

$$C^e = \{1\} \cup \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid i \in I, \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)\} \stackrel{(*)}{=} {}^e C = \{1\} \cup \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid i \in I, \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)\}$$

(the equality $(*)$ follows from Lemma 3A.19) is a basis of T_e . Thus, we have $\dim_{\mathbb{C}^v} T_e = 1 + Np_N^e$.

Proof. Similarly to [57, Proof of Proposition 3.14]. ■

Proposition 3A.26. *The nontrivial cells for the algebra T_e are*

$$\begin{aligned} L_i &= \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)\}, & {}_i R &= \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)\}, & \text{for } i \in I, \\ J &= \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e), i \in I\} = \{c_i^{\mathbf{m}} \mid \mathbf{m} \in X^+(e), i \in I\}, \end{aligned}$$

where L_i , ${}_i R$ and J are left, right and two-sided cells respectively. In particular, each left and right cell is of size p_N^e , and J is of size Np_N^e .

Proof. This follows from the previous results. ■

Example 3A.27. Left and right cells correspond to the cut-off of the positive Weyl chamber of type A_{N-1} , similarly to [57, Example 3.16].

3B. Nhedral complex representations

We now classify all simple representations of T_e on \mathbb{C}^v -vector spaces, and this classification implies that T_e is semisimple.

To this end, for $\lambda = (\lambda_i)_{i \in I} \in (\mathbb{C}^v)^I$ define

$$M_\lambda: \mathbb{C}^v \langle \theta_i \mid i \in I \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^v, \quad \theta_i \mapsto \lambda_i,$$

which determines a one dimensional T_e -representation in the following cases. For $x \in \mathbb{C}^v$, we let $(x, i) \in (\mathbb{C}^v)^I$ the element with the i th entry x and zero otherwise.

Proposition 3B.1. *The following table:*

$e \equiv 0 \pmod N$	$e \not\equiv 0 \pmod N$
$M_{([N]_v!, i)}$ for $i \in I$, and $M_{0, \dots, 0}$	$M_{0, \dots, 0}$
$N + 1$ in total	only one

gives a complete and irredundant list of one dimensional T_e -representations.

Proof. That $M_{0, \dots, 0}$ is well defined and simple is immediate. The remaining parts follow from Theorem 3B.3 below. ■

We now define some representations of dimension N , which are parametrized by the points in V'_e . Given $\sigma \in E$, we define

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_0(\sigma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} [N]_v & Z_1(\sigma) & Z_2(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{N-1}(\sigma) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 M_1(\sigma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ Z_{N-1}(\sigma) & [N]_v & Z_1(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{N-2}(\sigma) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \\
 M_{N-1}(\sigma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ Z_1(\sigma) & Z_2(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{N-1}(\sigma) & [N]_v \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3B.2. *The assignment $\theta_i \mapsto M_i(\sigma)$ is a well-defined representation of T_e if and only if $\sigma \in V'_e$.*

Proof. The defining relations equation (3.7) of T_∞ are easy to check, since the matrices have only one nonzero row. It factors through J_e if and only if $(Z_1(\sigma), \dots, Z_N(\sigma)) \in V_e$ as in [57, Lemma 3.18]. ■

For $\sigma \in V'_e$, denote by $M(\sigma)$ the above defined T_e -representation.

Given an Ncolored graph $\Gamma = (V, E)$, define

$$M(\Gamma): \mathbb{C}^v \langle \theta_i \mid i \in I \rangle \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}^v}(\mathbb{C}^v v), \quad \theta_i \mapsto M_i(\Gamma),$$

where the matrices are

$$\begin{aligned} M_0(\Gamma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} [N]_{\text{vid}} & Z_0^1 & Z_0^2 & \dots & Z_0^{N-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ M_1(\Gamma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ Z_1^0 & [N]_{\text{vid}} & Z_1^2 & \dots & Z_1^{N-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \\ M_{N-1}(\Gamma) &= \kappa \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ Z_{N-1}^0 & Z_{N-1}^1 & \dots & Z_{N-1}^{N-2} & [N]_{\text{vid}} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $Z_i^i = \text{id}$ for $i \in I$.

Lemma 3C.3. *The assignment $\theta_i \mapsto M_i(\Gamma)$ is a well-defined representation of T_∞ if and only if for all $i, j, k \in I$, $Z_{i+j+k}^{i+j} Z_{i+j}^i = Z_{i+j+k}^{i+k} Z_{i+k}^i$.*

Proof. This follows from an easy direct computation (since only one row of the action matrices is nonzero). ■

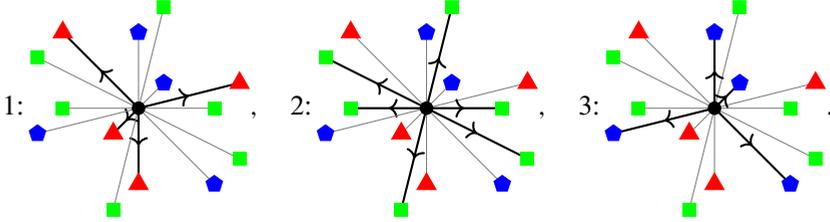
For $i \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$ define the following oriented subgraphs Γ_i of Γ with adjacency matrix $A(\Gamma_i)$ obtained from $A(\Gamma)$ by setting all blocks to zero except the blocks Z_j^{i+j} . Note that the condition in Lemma 3C.3 is equivalent to the pairwise commutation of the matrices $A(\Gamma_1), \dots, A(\Gamma_{N-1})$.

Example 3C.4. For $N = 4$ we have:

$$A(\Gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & Z_0^1 & Z_0^2 & Z_0^3 \\ Z_1^0 & 0 & Z_1^2 & Z_1^3 \\ Z_2^0 & Z_2^1 & 0 & Z_2^3 \\ Z_3^0 & Z_3^1 & Z_3^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A(\Gamma_1) = A(\Gamma_3)^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & Z_0^1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & Z_2^3 \\ Z_3^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A(\Gamma_2) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} 0 & 0 & Z_0^2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & Z_1^3 \\ \hline Z_2^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & Z_3^1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right).$$

If Γ is the graph of the type as in Example 2B.5, then the Γ_i are obtained by putting an orientation on some edges, and removing other edges. Generically, the picture is



These three graphs correspond to tensoring by L_{ω_i} . Note that the generic pictures for 1 and 3 have four edges, while 2 has six edges, matching the dimensions of the L_{ω_i} .

Let us now assume that Γ is such that the condition in Lemma 3C.3 holds.

Lemma 3C.5. *The T_∞ -representation $M(\Gamma)$ descends to a T_e -representation if and only if*

$$U_{\mathbf{m}}(A(\Gamma_1), \dots, A(\Gamma_{N-1})) = 0 \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{m} \text{ with } \Sigma \mathbf{m} = e + 1.$$

Proof. By construction. ■

Some examples of Ncolored graphs Γ satisfying Lemma 3C.5 are obtained by the fusion rules of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. Here is a (non-exhaustive) list.

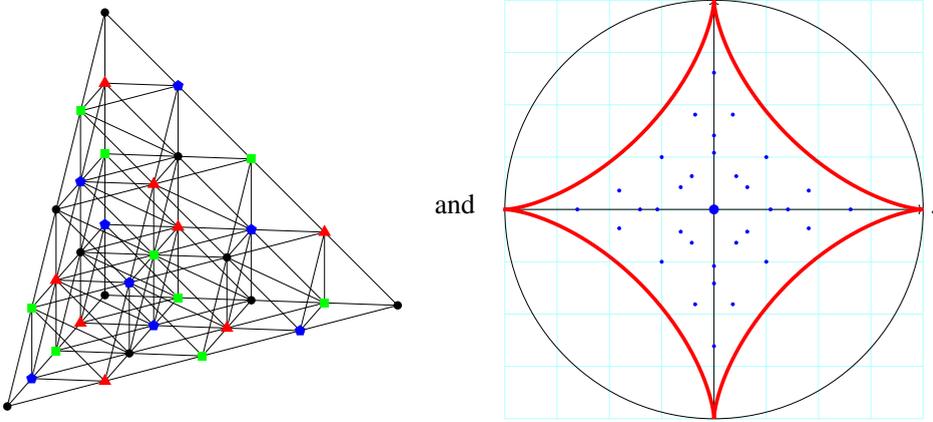
Definition 3C.6. We define the *graph of type A* of rank N and level e as the graph Γ with set of vertices $X^+(e)$, colored using the color χ_c , and the vertices \mathbf{m} and \mathbf{k} are adjacent if and only if $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ is a summand of $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{N-1} L_{\omega_i} \otimes L_{\mathbf{k}}$. The graph Γ_i is then the fusion graph of the object L_{ω_i} .

Moreover, we define *graphs of type D* in Section 5B.5.

For $N = 4$, we have additional graphs that we will not describe here but rather refer to [63, Figures 3 and 4, denoted $2A_e^c$, $2(A_e^c/2)$ and E]. These are called *graphs of conjugate type A* (these two are infinite family), and *graphs of type E* (there are six of these).

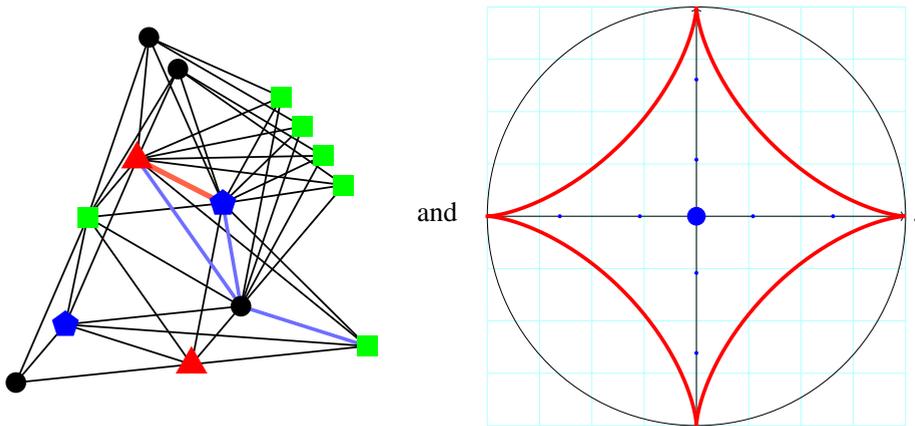
Remark 3C.7. There appears to be a small typo in [63, Figures 3 and 4] for the graphs labeled $2A_e^c$ and $2(A_e^c/2)$: all double edges should be colored blue instead of red (in 2024, we got a colored version of Ocneanu's paper from <https://cel.hal.science/cel-00374414/document>).

Example 3C.8 (Type A). For $N = 4$ and $e = 4$, the graph of type A is the tetrahedron of Example 2B.5 and the plot of the eigenvalues of $A(\Gamma_1)$ are shown below:



The joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), A(\Gamma_2), A(\Gamma_3))$ is the Koornwinder variety V_e .

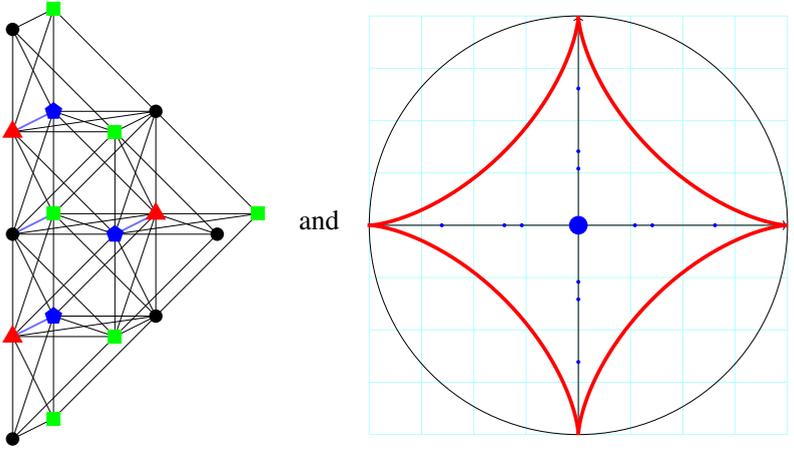
Example 3C.9 (Type D). For $N = 2$ the type D graphs are type D Dynkin diagrams, for $N = 3$ see [57, Appendix 1], and for $N = 4$ see [63, Figures 3 and 4]. Here are the graph of type D for $e = 4$ and $N = 4$ and the plot of the eigenvalues of $A(\Gamma_1)$



Convention : — = single edge, — = double edge, — = triple edge.

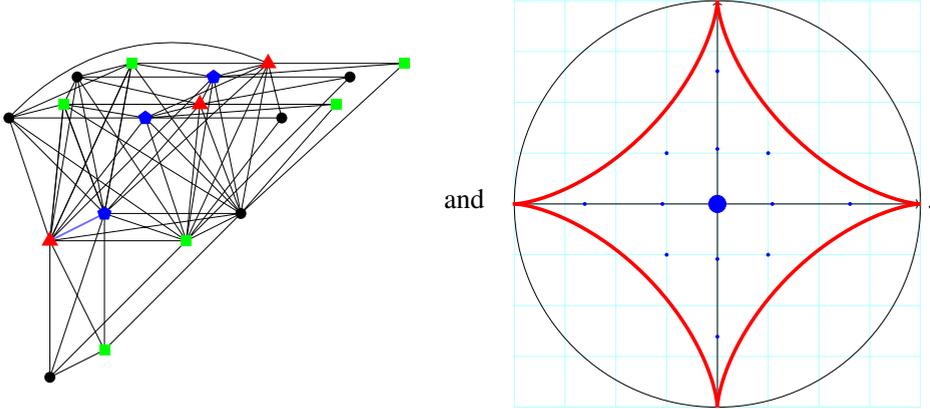
Here, similarly as below, the blue slightly thicker edges are double edges and the red thicker edge is a triple edge. This graph is not included in [63] and the joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), A(\Gamma_2), A(\Gamma_3))$ is a subset (with extra multiplicities) of the Koornwinder variety: there are 8 points with multiplicity 1 and 3 points with multiplicity 2.

Example 3C.10 (Type A conjugate). For $e = 4$, the graph of type $2A_e^c$ and the plot of the eigenvalues of $A(\Gamma_1)$ are



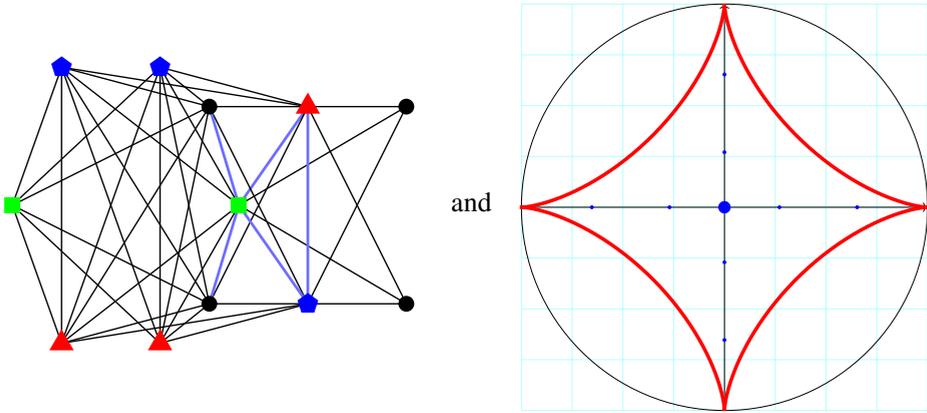
The joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), A(\Gamma_2), A(\Gamma_3))$ is a subset (with extra multiplicities) of the Koornwinder variety: there are 12 points with multiplicity 1 and 3 points with multiplicity 2.

For $e = 4$, the graph of type $2(A_e^c/2)$ and the plot eigenvalues of $A(\Gamma_1)$ are



The joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), A(\Gamma_2), A(\Gamma_3))$ is a subset (with extra multiplicities) of the Koornwinder variety: there are 12 points with multiplicity 1 and 3 points with multiplicity 2.

Example 3C.11 (Type E). The exceptional graph E_4 and the plot of the eigenvalues of $A(\Gamma_1)$ are



The joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), A(\Gamma_2), A(\Gamma_3))$ is a subset (with extra multiplicities) of the Koornwinder variety: there are 8 points with multiplicity 1 and 1 point with multiplicity 4.

Recall, from, e.g., [57, Definition 5.6], the notion of a transitive $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]}$ -representation. These representations are the simple objects in the category of $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]}$ -representations, and we call them simple $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]}$ -representations.

Theorem 3C.12. *We have the following (potentially conjectural as indicated below). All of the following give well-defined simple $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]}$ -representations of T_e .*

- (a) $M(\Gamma)$ for Γ of type A of rank N and level e . (Proven.)
- (b) $M(\Gamma)$ for Γ of type D of rank N and level e . (Conjectural; verified in small cases.)
- (c) $M(\Gamma)$ for Γ of conjugate type A of rank N and level e . (Conjectural; verified in small cases.)
- (d) $M(\Gamma)$ for Γ of type E . (Proven via computer, see [47].)

Proof. Part (a). This is proven in Section 5B.6. ■

Remark 3C.13. One could ask the following problem: could one classify the graphs such that the condition in Lemma 3C.5 is satisfied? This question has been addressed in the literature for special cases, see, e.g., [57, 63, 75]. We do not know the answer to this in general, not even for $N = 3$. In particular, there will be more simple $\mathbb{Z}^{[v]}$ -representations than in Theorem 3C.12 in general.

3D. Categorification

There should be a categorification of the above story, but we decided not to include it here since these several notions we would need are not in the literature while writing this paper. Instead, we list here what one probably needs to change compared to [57].

- (i) The diagrammatic 2-category in [57, Section 4.1] should be replaced by its affine type A_{N-1} analog. While writing this paper, at least to the best of our knowledge, there is no diagrammatic presentation of the relevant 2-category but one rather has to work with algebraic singular Soergel bimodules as in [74]. For the quantization of this category one needs to use the quantum Cartan matrix as in [26].
- (ii) *Nhedral Soergel bimodules* of level ∞ probably can then be defined similarly to [57, Section 4.2], replacing “secondary color” therein by a subset of I of size $N - 1$. The main statement should be then the analog of [57, Proposition 4.31], which should hold verbatim and would provide a categorification of T_∞ .
- (iii) Under equation (QSH), one can then likely copy [57, Section 4.3] using N -colored webs (using, e.g., the webs from [18]) and would get the analog of [57, Proposition 4.48], categorifying T_e for a fixed e . Hereby, the *Nhedral* version of the clasps probably can be defined using [23] (which has been proven by now, see [61], and which might even give bases cf. [5]).
- (iv) Finally, [57, Section 5.2] likely can be, *mutatis mutandis*, used to categorify Theorem 3C.12 in the expected way. One would exploit here the algebra objects that we give in Section 5B and the algebra object technology for Soergel bimodules developed in [56, 58, 59]. Alternatively, this might be done using a quiver similarly to [6], but the quiver is already complicated for $N = 3$, see [57, Section 5.3].

4. Asymptotic $G(M, M, N)$

Below we will use some standard terminology that can be found, e.g., in [29]. We encourage the reader to recall the conventions in the table of notations in Section 1D. In particular, we remind the reader that we have fixed an integer e , and that $M = e + N$, and that η is the primitive $2M$ th root of unity $\exp(i\pi/M)$.

4A. The asymptotic category and its Drinfeld center

We define the asymptotic category $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ as a matrix category indexed by $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, with entries in suitable subcategories of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$.

Definition 4A.1. The *asymptotic category* $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ is the monoidal additive \mathbb{C} -linear category whose

- (a) objects are matrices $(Y_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}}$, for Y_{ij} an object in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_{i-j}$,
 - (b) morphisms between matrices $(Y_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}}$ and $(Z_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}}$ are matrices $(f_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}}$ with f_{ij} being a morphism between Y_{ij} and Z_{ij} in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$,
- and the tensor product is given by multiplication of matrices. We equip this category with the ribbon structure inherited from $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$.

Example 4A.2. When $e = 0$, then $M = N$ and $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ is equivalent to the category of \mathbb{C} -vector spaces, and $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ is then equivalent to the direct sum of N copies of the category of \mathbb{C} -vector spaces.

As a sneak preview, before defining anything, we will do the following with $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$:

- ▶ In the final step Section 4C (following the introduction of some delicate combinatorics), we define a category that is Morita equivalent to $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ via a straightforward matrix construction. We regard this new category as essentially identical to $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$. It has rank given by the “subregular (= the first nontrivial) KL cell” and corresponds to the asymptotic category associated with the middle dihedral cell, which is the subregular KL cell in this case. In this sense, we interpret $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ as the “subregular asymptotic category” for $G(M, M, N)$.
- ▶ The Drinfeld center of $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ is a modular category. The first question one would ask about a modular category is what are its S - and T -matrices. We study this Drinfeld center and then indeed compute parts of its S - and T -matrices in Theorem 4A.5. In contrast to the dihedral case, however, we were unable to compute the entire S -matrix.
- ▶ We relate in Theorem 4B.5 these S - and T -matrices to the Fourier matrix and the eigenvalues of the Frobenius of a family of unipotent characters for $G(M, M, N)$. This is again in analogy with the asymptotic category for the subregular KL cell in the dihedral group.

Lemma 4A.3. *The asymptotic category is a multifusion category of rank Np_N^e and is indecomposable if and only if $e \neq 0$.*

Proof. The first statement follows from Lemma 2B.10, applied row-by-row. For $e = 0$ see Example 4A.2. Now, suppose $e \neq 0$ and that the asymptotic category splits as $\mathbf{C}_1 \oplus \mathbf{C}_2$ with \mathbf{C}_1 and \mathbf{C}_2 two nonzero multifusion categories. Then, there exist $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ such that $\mathbb{1}_i$ is a simple object of \mathbf{C}_1 and $\mathbb{1}_j$ is a simple object of \mathbf{C}_2 , where $\mathbb{1}_k$ denotes the matrix with the unit object of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ at place (k, k) and zero elsewhere. We consider any simple object X of $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ with (i, j) entry simple

and other entries 0. Such an object exists since $e \neq 0$ so that the grading of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ by colors is faithful. The definition of the tensor product in the asymptotic category implies that $\mathbb{1}_i \otimes X \otimes \mathbb{1}_j = X$, but $\mathbb{1}_i \otimes X = 0$ or $X \otimes \mathbb{1}_j = 0$ since X lies in \mathbf{C}_1 or \mathbf{C}_2 . ■

We now describe the Drinfeld center of the asymptotic category when $e \geq 0$. The first case is easy.

Example 4A.4. If $e = 0$, then the Drinfeld center is simply N copies of the category of vector spaces, with a trivial braiding.

We now assume that $e > 0$. Let us denote by $J_3(k) = k^3 \prod_{p|k} (1 - \frac{1}{p^3})$ Jordan's totient function. See [64, A059376] for explicit values. We use the concept of *modular closure* below, which is a special case of de-equivariantization from [29, Section 8.23]. This is the “universal way” of turning a non-modular fusion category into a modular one. Since the definition is quite involved, we will not recall it and we refer the reader to, e.g., [17] or [62] for more details.

Theorem 4A.5. *We have the following.*

- (a) $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is equivalent as a ribbon category to the modular closure of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$. In particular, it is a modular category.
- (b) Write $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{m}} = \text{gcd}(\text{stab}_{\mathbf{k}}, \text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}})$. Simple objects of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ are indexed by the set

$$\{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i) \mid (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in X^+(e)^2/(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}) \text{ with } \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}}), \\ \text{and } i \in \mathbb{Z}/\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k}}\mathbb{Z}\}.$$

Here $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ acts diagonally on $X^+(e)^2 = X^+(e) \times X^+(e)$ via $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \mapsto (\mathbf{m}^\rightarrow, \mathbf{k}^\rightarrow)$.

- (c) The rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is

$$\text{rk } \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}) = \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{k|\text{gcd}(N,M)} J_3(k) \left(\frac{M/k}{N/k}\right)^2.$$

- (d) For N fixed and $M \rightarrow \infty$ we have

$$\text{rk } \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}) \sim \frac{1}{(N!)^2} \cdot M^{2N-2}.$$

- (e) The S -matrix $S^{\mathbf{a}}$ of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ satisfies

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{m}}} S_{(\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k},i),(\mathbf{m}',\mathbf{k}',i')}^{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{1}{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{m}}} S_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{m}'}^{\mathfrak{sl}} \overline{S}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{\mathfrak{sl}}.$$

Moreover, if N is prime, there exists a unique $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in X^+(e)^2/(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$ with $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{m}} \neq 1$ if and only if $e \equiv 0 \pmod N$ and we have

$$S_{(\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k},i),(\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k},j)}^{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{1}{N^2} \begin{cases} S_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}} \overline{S}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}} + (N-1)\theta_{\mathbf{m}}^3 \overline{\theta}_{\mathbf{k}}^{-3} \dim_c \mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}_N) & \text{if } i = j, \\ S_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}} \overline{S}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}} - \theta_{\mathbf{m}}^3 \overline{\theta}_{\mathbf{k}}^{-3} \dim_c \mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}_N) & \text{if } i \neq j, \end{cases}$$

where θ is the ribbon element and $\dim_c \mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}_N)$ is the categorical dimension. (See, for example, [8, (3.3.9)] for the value of $\dim_c \mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}_N)$.) If N is not prime, see Remark 4A.8.

- (f) The T -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is the matrix with entries $T_{(\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k},i),(\mathbf{m}',\mathbf{k}',i')}^{\mathbf{a}} = \delta_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{m}'} \delta_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'} \delta_{i,i'} \theta_{\mathbf{m}}^{-1} \theta_{\mathbf{k}}$.

Example 4A.6. Let $N = 3$, $e = 3$ and $M = 6$. The category $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{l}_N)$ has 10 simple objects and $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})_0$ has then 34 simple objects. Among these 34 objects, there are 11 orbits of size 3 and one of size 1 under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ has 14 simple objects, since each orbit of size 3 will give one simple object, and the orbit of size 1 will split into 3 simple objects.

The S -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is the 14-by-14 matrix

$$S^{\mathbf{a}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 & -3 & -3 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon & 0 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon & 0 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon & 0 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 0 & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 0 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 0 & 4\Upsilon & 4\Upsilon & 4 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4\Upsilon^2 & 4 & 4\Upsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 9 & -3 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 & 9 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 & -3 & 9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

where $\Upsilon = \eta^4$ to ease notation. The top colored block corresponds to the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_0$ and the bottom colored block corresponds to the object of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})_0$ that splits in three.

Remark 4A.7. Let \mathfrak{A}_4 denote the alternating group of order twelve. The 14-by-14 matrix in Example 4A.6 is the same as the S -matrix of the Drinfeld center of \mathfrak{A}_4 -graded vector spaces (the latter, by duality, is the same as the Drinfeld center of the category of \mathfrak{A}_4 -representations). However, the appearance of nonnegative integers in the first row and column of the matrix is a small number coincidence and we do not expect any nice description of the S -matrix in terms of a group in general, since the first column corresponds to the quantum dimension of simple objects.

Proof of Theorem 4A.5. Part (a). Since the asymptotic category $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ is indecomposable by Lemma 4A.3, [39, Theorem 2.5.1] shows that its Drinfeld center is equivalent to the Drinfeld center of any of its diagonal components $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_0$. We then observe that $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_0)$ is monoidally equivalent to the modular closure of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_0)$, which follows immediately from [29, Proposition 8.23.11].

Part (b). Let $(-)^{\text{rev}}$ denote the reverse category as in [29, Definition 8.1.4]. Since $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ is modular, its Drinfeld center is equivalent to $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N) \boxtimes \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)^{\text{rev}}$, see, for example, [29, Proposition 8.6.3]. The degree zero part of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N) \boxtimes \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)^{\text{rev}}$ is $\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)_i \boxtimes (\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)^{\text{rev}})_i$, and its symmetric center is generated by the object $L_{e\omega_1} \boxtimes L_{e\omega_1}$, by [43, Lemma 2.2] and Lemma 2C.2. Since $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes L_{\mathbf{m}} = L_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow}$, the result follows from [17, Remarques 4.5, 1)] or [62, Corollary 5.3].

Part (c). This is done in Section 5C.1.

Part (d). For fixed N , $\text{rk } \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is polynomial in M and the leading term is obtained for $k = 1$. The result follows from $J_3(1) = 1$ and $\binom{M}{N} \sim \frac{M^N}{N!}$ when $M \rightarrow \infty$.

Part (e). This is done in Section 5C.2.

Part (f). This follows immediately from [62, Proposition 4.2]. ■

Remark 4A.8. When N is not prime, the calculation of the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is more intricate. For $\text{gcd}(e, N) \neq 1$, Lemma 5C.2 shows that several objects of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ can split in the modular closure.

4B. A family of unipotent characters

Malle [60] has introduced the notion of unipotent characters for the complex reflection group $G(M, M, N)$. These characters are partitioned into *families*, similarly to the unipotent characters of a finite group of Lie type as, e.g., in [50, Chapter 4]. We consider a certain family \mathcal{F} of unipotent characters which, in terms of the combina-

torics developed by Malle, are indexed by so-called M -symbols with entries in the multiset $\{0^e, 1^N\}$, but we do not use this explicitly.

Remark 4B.1. For $N = 2$ the family \mathcal{F} corresponds to the subregular KL cell of \mathfrak{a} -value 1, which is the only nontrivial cell. In general, the families we consider have \mathfrak{a} -value $N(N - 1)/2$, and they play a role analogous to the subregular cell. This is our reason to use the \mathfrak{a} -value as the shift in Remark 3A.10. There are many other nontrivial cells that we do not consider here.

The combinatorics of the family \mathcal{F} is a bit demanding, and some details are postponed to Section 5C.3. For now, we just define what is necessary to state our main theorem in this section.

We now follow and borrow the notations of [60, Section 6C]. Let $Y = \{1, \dots, M\}$ and $\pi: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ defined by $\pi(y) = 1$ if $1 \leq y \leq N$ and $\pi(y) = 0$ otherwise. (Our π only takes values in $\{0, 1\}$, the reason why we choose $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ in its definition is explained in Remark 4B.2.) We consider the set

$$\Psi(Y, \pi) = \left\{ f: Y \rightarrow \{0, \dots, M - 1\} \mid \sum_{y \in Y} f(y) \equiv \binom{M}{2} \pmod{M}, \right. \\ \left. f|_{\pi^{-1}(i)} \text{ is strictly increasing for all } i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \right\}.$$

There exists an action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ on $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ defined in Section 5C.3, and the elements of \mathcal{F} are indexed by orbits under this action. We denote equivalence classes by $[f]$. An equivalence class $[f]$ will index several unipotent characters of \mathcal{F} , as many as the size of the stabilizer of f under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$, which we will denote by $([f], s)$ for s in a finite indexing set.

Remark 4B.2. The set $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ can be described with Malle’s M -symbols [60, Section 6A], which are a generalization of Lusztig’s symbols used in the classification of unipotent characters of type D [50, Section 4.6]. The M -symbol associated to a function $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ has its j th row filled with the elements of $\pi(f^{-1}(j))$. The symbols have their entries in $\pi(Y)$, which, for other families, could be some subset of $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ other than $\{0, 1\}$.

Explicitly, with $e = 2$ and $N = 2$, so that $M = 4$, the function $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ given by $f(1) = 0, f(2) = 2, f(3) = 1$ and $f(4) = 3$ is the 4-symbol

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ on $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ is the cyclic shift on rows of M -symbols. The above 4-symbol has then a stabilizer of order 2.

To each family of unipotent characters, Malle [60] has attached a *Fourier matrix* and eigenvalues of the *Frobenius*, generalizing the constructions from the groups of Lie type as, for example, in [50]. The eigenvalue of the Frobenius of the unipotent character of \mathcal{F} indexed by $([f], s)$ is

$$\text{Frob}([f], s) = \eta^{-\alpha(f)} \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha(f) = \frac{M(1 - M^2)}{6} - \sum_{y \in Y} (f(y)^2 + Mf(y)). \quad (4.3)$$

For the Fourier matrix, we will adopt the conventions of [48, Section 5.4] which differ from [60, Section 6C] by some signs. For $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, we set $\varepsilon(f) = (-1)^{c(f) + \gamma(f)}$ where

$$c(f) = |\{(y, y') \in Y^2 \mid y < y', f(y) < f(y')\}|$$

and

$$\gamma(f) = \frac{M-1}{M} \left(\binom{M}{2} - \sum_{y \in Y} f(y) \right).$$

Let $\mathcal{S} = (\eta^{-2ij})_{0 \leq i, j < M}$ and define $\tau = (-1)^{\binom{M}{2}} \det(\mathcal{S})$. We view \mathcal{S} as the matrix of an endomorphism of $V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{M-1} \mathbb{C}v_i$. Given $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, \dots, M-1\}$ strictly increasing on $\pi^{-1}(1) = \{1, \dots, N\}$ and on $\pi^{-1}(0) = \{N+1, \dots, M\}$, we set

$$v_f = (v_{f(1)} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{f(N)}) \otimes (v_{f(N+1)} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{f(M)}) \in \Lambda^N V \otimes \Lambda^e V.$$

Such vectors form a basis of $\Lambda^N V \otimes \Lambda^e V$ and we denote by $(\Lambda^N \mathcal{S} \otimes \Lambda^e \mathcal{S})_{f,g}$ the entries of the matrix of the endomorphism $\Lambda^N \mathcal{S} \otimes \Lambda^e \mathcal{S}$ in this basis.

We define the *pre-Fourier matrix* $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ of the family \mathcal{F} , which is indexed by orbits of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$, by

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{[f],[g]} = \frac{(-1)^{M-1} M}{\tau} \varepsilon(f) \varepsilon(g) \overline{(\Lambda^N \mathcal{S} \otimes \Lambda^e \mathcal{S})_{f,g}},$$

for all $f, g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, where the bar is the complex conjugate.

Remark 4B.4. Neither the eigenvalues of the Frobenius nor the entries of pre-Fourier matrix depend on s in the pair $([f], s)$, but depend only on $[f]$.

In contrast to the pre-Fourier matrix, the entries of the Fourier matrix itself of the family \mathcal{F} depend on s in the pair $([f], s)$. The Fourier matrix is not entirely determined, see [48, Remark 5.4.35].

Let $\bar{\iota}$ be the bijection, as in Section 5C.5, between the $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ -orbits of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ and the $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ -orbits of $\{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2 \mid \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}})\}$. Recall the T -matrix

$T^{\mathbf{a}}$ of the modular category $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ in Theorem 4A.5 (f). We denote the S -matrix of the degree zero part of the Drinfeld center of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ by S^0 .

The next theorem compares the Fourier matrix of \mathcal{F} and the S -matrix of the modular category $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$. The proof relies on technical calculations, since these two matrices are quite different in nature.

Theorem 4B.5. *We have the following.*

- (a) *The cardinal of \mathcal{F} is equal to the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$.*
- (b) *For all $f, g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$,*

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_{[f],[g]} &= \text{factor}(f, g) \cdot S_{\bar{i}(f), \bar{i}(g)}^0, \\ \text{factor}(f, g) &= \frac{(-1)^{\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i)+g(i))} \varepsilon(f) \varepsilon(g)}{\sqrt{\dim_c(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}))}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, up to a diagonal change of basis, the pre-Fourier matrix and the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ coincide.

- (c) *For all $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$,*

$$\text{Frob}([f], s) = T_{\bar{i}(f), \bar{i}(f)}^{\mathbf{a}}.$$

Proof. Part (a). This is proven in Section 5C.4.

Part (b). This is proven in Section 5C.6.

Part (c). This is proven in Section 5C.7. ■

Remark 4B.6. By Theorem 4A.5 (e), the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ satisfies [48, Conjecture 5.4.34], and we think it hence deserves to be called the Fourier matrix of the family \mathcal{F} .

4C. The big asymptotic category related to a Calogero–Moser cell

We say that a unipotent character represented by $([f], s)$ is in the principal series if $|f^{-1}(j)| = 1$ for every $0 \leq j \leq M - 1$. We denote by \mathcal{F}_0 the unipotent characters of \mathcal{F} lying in the principal series. They are in bijection with a subset of irreducible complex representations of $G(M, M, N)$, which are represented by M -partitions of N with each entry being (1) or empty, see [60, Section 6A] for more details. By a (slight) abuse of notations, we will also denote by \mathcal{F}_0 the set of irreducible complex representations of $G(M, M, N)$ corresponding to the unipotent characters in the principal series. If $M > N$, a result of Bellamy [10] states that \mathcal{F}_0 is a CM family of irreducible complex representations of $G(M, M, N)$ for a specific choice of parameters, the so-called *spetsial* ones.

Remark 4C.1. The spetsial parameters correspond to equal parameters for Iwahori–Hecke algebras.

In [12], Bonnafé–Rouquier construct a partition of a finite complex reflection group into left, right and two-sided CM cells, and conjecture that these cells coincide with the KL cells provided the complex reflection group is a Coxeter group. They also construct a bijection between the CM families and the two-sided CM cells. Let us denote by Γ the two-sided CM cell associated with the family \mathcal{F}_0 .

We now define what we call the *big asymptotic category*.

Definition 4C.2. Let $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ be the matrix category over $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ of size $(N-1)!$.

Since $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ is a ribbon category, so is the big asymptotic category $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$.

Theorem 4C.3. *We have the following.*

- (a) $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ are Morita equivalent (they have the same 2-representation theory).
- (b) The Drinfeld centers of $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ are equivalent as modular categories.
- (c) $\text{rk } \mathbf{A}_{M,M,N} = \frac{(N!)^2}{M} \binom{M}{N} = |\Gamma|$.
- (d) $[\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \bigoplus_{V \in \mathcal{F}_0} \text{Mat}_{\dim_{\mathbb{C}} V}(\mathbb{C})$.

Proof. Part (a). This is [58, Proposition 2.27].

Part (b). This follows from [39, Theorem 2.5.1, (7)].

Part (c). The rank of $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ is $((N-1)!)^2 \text{rk } \mathbf{a}_{M,M,N} = ((N-1)!)^2 N p_N^e$. The second equality follows from [12, Theorem 12.2.7, (c)] and taking dimensions in (d).

Part (d). This is proven in Section 5C.8. ■

5. Appendix: Some more technical proofs

5A. Missing proofs for Section 2

5A.1. Proof of Lemma 2E.8. Given $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$, we define $E_{\mathbf{m}}^-: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$E_{\mathbf{m}}^-(\sigma) = \sum_{w \in \mathfrak{S}_N} (-1)^{l(w)} \exp(i(w(\mathbf{m}), \sigma)).$$

The functions Z_i and $E_{\mathbf{m}}^-$ are invariant by $\sigma \mapsto \sigma + 2\pi\alpha_i$ and therefore define functions on the torus $T^{N-1} = E/2\pi Y$, where Y is the root lattice. Moreover, the functions Z_i are invariant and the functions $E_{\mathbf{m}}^-$ are antiinvariant under the action of

the symmetric group. The fundamental domain of the quotient T^{N-1}/\mathfrak{S}_N is equal to

$$D = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \lambda_i \alpha_i \mid 2\lambda_i \geq \lambda_{i-1} + \lambda_{i+1} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i < N, \lambda_1 + \lambda_{N-1} \leq 2\pi \right\}.$$

Weyl's denominator formula implies that the zeroes of E_ρ^- are on the boundary of D . Therefore the functions Z_i and $E_{\mathbf{m}+\rho}^-/E_\rho^-$ are defined on the interior of D .

Using Weyl's character formula, for σ in the interior of D , we have

$$U_{\mathbf{m}}(Z_1(\sigma), \dots, Z_{N-1}(\sigma)) = E_{\mathbf{m}+\rho}^-(\sigma)/E_\rho^-(\sigma).$$

If moreover $\mathbf{m} \in X^+$ is such that $\sum \mathbf{m} = e + 1$, then [8, equation (3.3.11)] implies that, for $\sigma \in V'_e$, we have $U_{\mathbf{m}}(Z_1(\sigma), \dots, Z_{N-1}(\sigma)) = 0$. \square

5A.2. Proof of Theorem 2E.10, Part (b). The dimension of the quotient by J_e being of dimension p_N^e , Hilbert's Nullstellensatz (via, e.g., [31, Corollary I.7.4]) implies that V_e is discrete with at most p_N^e points. For the converse, we use the following important lemma.

Lemma 5A.1. *The map $\sigma \mapsto (Z_1(\sigma), \dots, Z_{N-1}(\sigma))$ is an injection on the interior of the fundamental domain D .*

Proof. In [9, (5.9)], Beerends calculated the value of the Jacobian $|\frac{\partial(Z_1, \dots, Z_{N-1})}{\partial(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{N-1})}|$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial(Z_1, \dots, Z_{N-1})}{\partial(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{N-1})} \right| &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} |e^{i(\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})} - e^{i(\sigma_j - \sigma_{j-1})}| \\ &= 2^{\binom{N}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} \left| \sin \left(\frac{\sigma_i - \sigma_{i+1} - \sigma_j + \sigma_{j+1}}{2} \right) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the Jacobian vanishes only on the reflecting hyperplanes of the representation E of the symmetric group, and we are done. \blacksquare

Since V'_e lies in the interior of D , Lemma 2E.8 implies that we have found p_N^e points in V_e . \square

5A.3. Proof of Theorem 2E.10, Part (c). We need the following two lemmas.

Lemma 5A.2. *Given $\sigma = \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \sigma_j \alpha_j \in E$, the function $Z_i(\sigma)$ is the evaluation of the i th elementary symmetric function at*

$$(e^{i\sigma_1}, e^{i(\sigma_2 - \sigma_1)}, \dots, e^{i(\sigma_{N-1} - \sigma_{N-2})}, e^{-i\sigma_{N-1}}).$$

Proof. The function Z_i is the evaluation of the character of the fundamental \mathfrak{sl}_N -representation L_{ω_i} at the diagonal matrix

$$\text{diag}(i\sigma_1, i(\sigma_2 - \sigma_1), \dots, i(\sigma_{N-1} - \sigma_{N-2}), -i\sigma_{N-1}).$$

The claim follows from the usual correspondence between the character of L_{ω_i} and the i th elementary symmetric function. ■

Using Newton's identities, we can hence express $Z_i(\sigma)$ in terms of the power sums $Z_1(k\sigma)$.

Lemma 5A.3. *For $\sigma \in V'_e$, we have $Z_i(\sigma^\rightarrow) = \zeta^{-i} Z_i(\sigma)$.*

Proof. For $\mathbf{k} = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} k_i \omega_i$, we write $\lambda_i(\mathbf{k})$ for its coordinates in the basis $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{N-1})$. Using [14, Plate I], we explicitly have

$$\lambda_i(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{N} \left((N-i) \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} j k_j + (N-i) i k_i + i \sum_{j=i+1}^{N-1} (N-j) k_j \right).$$

Then, one easily show that $N(\lambda_i(\mathbf{k}) - \lambda_{i-1}(\mathbf{k})) = -\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} j k_j + N \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} k_j$. A straightforward calculation also shows that, for $\mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)$ and $1 \leq i \leq N-1$, we have

$$\lambda_{i+1}(\mathbf{k}^\rightarrow + \rho) - \lambda_i(\mathbf{k}^\rightarrow + \rho) = \lambda_i(\mathbf{k} + \rho) - \lambda_{i-1}(\mathbf{k} + \rho) - \frac{N+e}{N}$$

and

$$\lambda_1(\mathbf{k}^\rightarrow + \rho) = -\lambda_{N-1}(\mathbf{k} + \rho) - \frac{N+e}{N} + e + N.$$

The result then follows from Lemma 5A.2. ■

Lemma 5A.3 and Theorem 2E.10 (a) imply that the map

$$X^+(e) \rightarrow V_e, \quad \mathbf{k} \mapsto (Z_i(2i\pi(\mathbf{k} + \rho)/(e + N)))_{1 \leq i \leq N-1}$$

is a bijection which is $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ -equivariant. We then do the counting in $X^+(e)$ instead of in the Koornwinder variety.

Lemma 5A.4. *Let us temporarily write $X_N^+(e)$ instead of $X^+(e)$. Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N-1}) \in X_N^+(e)$ with stabilizer of order m under the action $-\rightarrow$. Then $m \mid e$ and $\lambda' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N/m-1}) \in X_{N/m}^+(e/m)$ and its stabilizer under the action $-\rightarrow$ is of order 1.*

This defines a bijection between the elements of $X_N^+(e)$ with stabilizer of order m and the elements of $X_{N/m}^+(e/m)$ with stabilizer of order 1.

Proof. Since the stabilizer of λ is of order m , the extended tuple $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N-1}, e - \Sigma\lambda)$ is N/m -periodic, and N/m is the smallest period. Therefore $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N/m}$ appear each m times in the extended tuple so that $\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{N/m} = e/m$. This implies that $\lambda' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N/m-1}) \in X_{N/m}^+(e/m)$. This element has a stabilizer of order 1 since N/m is the smallest period of the extended tuple of λ .

Conversely, if $\lambda' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{N/m-1}) \in X_{N/m}^+(e/m)$ has a stabilizer of order 1, then $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N/m} \lambda_i \omega_{i+jN/m}$ (where $\omega_N = 0$) is in $X_N^+(e)$ and is of stabilizer of order m . ■

Denote by $c(N, e, m)$ the number of weights in $X^+(e)$ with stabilizer of order m . Lemma 5A.4 implies that $m \mid e$ and that $c(N, e, m) = c(N/m, e/m, 1)$. It then suffices to prove the formula for $m = 1$.

We proceed by induction on $\gcd(N, e)$. If $\gcd(N, e) = 1$ then all elements of $X^+(e)$ have a stabilizer of order 1. Therefore, $c(N, e, 1) = p_N^e = \binom{N-1}{M-1} = \frac{M}{N} \binom{N}{M}$.

Now suppose that $\gcd(N, e) > 1$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} c(N, e, 1) &= \frac{N}{M} \binom{M}{N} - \sum_{\substack{k \mid \gcd(M, N) \\ k \neq 1}} c(N, e, k) \\ &= \frac{N}{M} \binom{M}{N} - \sum_{\substack{k \mid \gcd(M, N) \\ k \neq 1}} c(N/k, M/k, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Since $k \neq 1$ in the last sum, we can apply the induction hypothesis and we find that

$$c(N, e, 1) = \frac{N}{M} \binom{M}{N} - \sum_{\substack{k \mid \gcd(M, N) \\ k \neq 1}} \frac{N}{M} \sum_{k' \mid \gcd(N/k, M/k)} \mu(k') \binom{M/kk'}{N/kk'}.$$

But

$$\sum_{k \mid \gcd(M, N)} \frac{N}{M} \sum_{k' \mid \gcd(N/k, M/k)} \mu(k') \binom{M/kk'}{N/kk'} = \frac{N}{M} \sum_{k \mid \gcd(N, M)} \sum_{k' \mid k} \mu\left(\frac{k}{k'}\right) \binom{M/k}{N/k}$$

and we conclude using the fact that the Möbius function is the convolution inverse of the identity. □

5B. Missing proofs for Section 3 and type D graphs

5B.1. Proof of Lemma 3A.11. We have two things to check: that the map is well defined and that it is injective. The first is significantly more difficult than in [57].

Well defined. To see that the Θ_{w_i} satisfy the defining relations of T_∞ in equation (3.7) we first observe that $\Theta_{w_i} \Theta_{w_i} = [N]_v! \cdot \Theta_{w_i}$ as follows from, for example, [25, (2.8)] or [11, Proposition 10.5.2 (d)] since $\#W_i = N!$. The second relation in equation (3.7) is much more difficult to prove and we use equation (QSH) to do so: under equation (QSH) going from θ_k to θ_{k+i} corresponds to tensoring with L_{ω_i} and from θ_{k+i} to θ_{k+i+j} corresponds to tensoring with L_{ω_j} , and similarly, but reversed, for the other side of the equation. In particular, this equation in $H(\tilde{A}_{N-1})$ holds since we have $L_{\omega_j} \otimes L_{\omega_i} \cong L_{\omega_i} \otimes L_{\omega_j}$.

Injective. The same argument as in [57, Proof of Lemma 3.2] works. \square

5B.2. Proof of Theorem 3B.3, Part (a). We start with a lemma.

Lemma 5B.1. *Let $\sigma \in V'_e$. The stabilizer of σ is of order $\gcd(\{j \mid Z_j(\sigma) \neq 0\} \cup \{N\})$.*

Proof. Let m be such that $Z_j(\sigma) = 0$ if $m \nmid j$. By Lemma 5A.3, we have $Z_i(\sigma^{\rightarrow}) = \zeta^{-i} Z_i(\sigma)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq N$. This implies that $Z_i(\sigma^{\rightarrow^{N/m}}) = Z_i(\sigma)$, either because $Z_i(\sigma) = 0$, if $m \nmid j$, or because $\zeta^{-iN/m} = 1$, otherwise. By Lemma 5A.1, we have $\sigma^{\rightarrow^{N/m}} = \sigma$. \blacksquare

Since $Z_j(\sigma) = 0$ if $j \not\equiv 0 \pmod{m}$, the representation $M(\sigma)$ decomposes as $L(\sigma)_0 \oplus \cdots \oplus L(\sigma)_{m-1}$ where $\theta_i, \theta_{i+m}, \dots, \theta_{i+(N/m-1)m}$ acts on $L(\sigma)_i$ by the matrices

$$\begin{aligned} & \chi \begin{pmatrix} [N]_v & Z_m(\sigma) & Z_{2m}(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{(N/m-1)m}(\sigma) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ & \chi \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ Z_{(N/m-1)m}(\sigma) & [N]_v & Z_m(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{(N/m-2)m}(\sigma) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \\ & \chi \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ Z_m(\sigma) & Z_{2m}(\sigma) & \cdots & Z_{(N/m-1)m}(\sigma) & [N]_v \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and by zero otherwise.

Lemma 5B.2. *The endomorphism ring of $L(\sigma)_i$ is one dimensional.*

Proof. Let f be a matrix intertwiner for $L(\sigma)_i$. Since $[N]_v \neq 0$, we immediately obtain that f must be a diagonal matrix $\text{diag}(f_0, \dots, f_{N/m-1})$. The relation $f\theta_{i+km} = \theta_{i+km}f$ implies that $f_k Z_{rm}(\sigma) = Z_{rm}(\sigma) f_{k+r}$ so that $f_k = f_{k+r}$ for all $0 \leq k < N/m$ and $0 < r < N/m$ such that $Z_{rm}(\sigma) \neq 0$, where the indices are taken modulo N/m . By Lemma 5B.1, the set $\{1 \leq r < N/m \mid Z_{rm}(\sigma) \neq 0\}$ generates $\mathbb{Z}/(N/m)\mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, we obtain that f is diagonal. ■

Since $[N]_v \neq 0$, the explicit form of the matrices above implies that the representations $L(\sigma)_i$ are pairwise nonisomorphic. They are moreover simple because their endomorphism rings are one dimensional by Lemma 5B.2. □

5B.3. Proof of Theorem 3B.3, Part (b). This follows from (a) and the following lemma.

Lemma 5B.3. *The representations $M(\sigma)$ and $M(\sigma')$ are isomorphic if and only if σ and σ' are in the same orbit.*

Proof. We have two directions.

Case \Leftarrow . Let j be such that $\sigma' = \sigma \rightarrow^j$. By Lemma 5A.3, this implies that $Z_i(\sigma') = \zeta^{-ij} Z_i(\sigma)$. An easy calculation shows that, for all $i \in I$, we have

$$M_i(\sigma') = \text{diag}(1, \zeta^j, \dots, \zeta^{(N-1)j}) M_i(\sigma) \text{diag}(1, \zeta^j, \dots, \zeta^{(N-1)j})^{-1}.$$

Therefore the representations $M(\sigma)$ and $M(\sigma')$ are isomorphic.

Case \Rightarrow . As in the proof of Lemma 5B.2, an invertible matrix intertwiner $M(\sigma) \rightarrow M(\sigma')$ is necessarily a diagonal matrix $\text{diag}(f_0, \dots, f_{N-1})$. The relation $M_i(\sigma) f = f M_i(\sigma')$ implies that $f_i Z_k(\sigma) = Z_k(\sigma') f_{i+k}$ for all $0 \leq i < N$ and $1 \leq k < N$. Since f is invertible, we obtain that $Z_k(\sigma') = 0$ if and only if $Z_k(\sigma) = 0$. By Lemma 5B.1, the stabilizers of σ and σ' have the same order m .

If for all $1 \leq k < N$ we have $Z_k(\sigma) = Z_k(\sigma') = 0$, then, by Lemma 5A.1, we have $\sigma = \sigma'$. We then suppose that all Z -functions do not vanish at σ (and consequently at σ'). By Lemma 5B.1, m is a generator of the subgroup of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ generated by the $1 \leq j < N$ with $Z_j(\sigma) \neq 0$. Therefore, using the relations $f_i Z_k(\sigma) = Z_k(\sigma') f_{i+k}$ with k such that $Z_k(\sigma) \neq 0 \neq Z_k(\sigma')$, one may show that the ratios f_i/f_{i+m} are all equal. As

$$1 = \frac{f_0}{f_m} \cdot \frac{f_m}{f_{2m}} \cdots \frac{f_{(N/m-1)m}}{f_0} = \left(\frac{f_0}{f_m} \right)^{N/m},$$

the ratio f_0/f_m is equal to ζ^{-mj} for some j .

The relation $f_0 Z_k(\sigma) = Z_k(\sigma') f_k$ gives then $Z_k(\sigma') = \zeta^{-jk} Z_k(\sigma)$. Indeed, either k is a multiple of m and this follows from $f_0 = \zeta^{-mj} f_{rm}$, or k is not a multiple of m and $Z_k(\sigma) = Z_k(\sigma') = 0$. We finally obtain that $Z_k(\sigma') = Z_k(\sigma \rightarrow^j)$ for all $1 \leq k < N$, and then $\sigma' = \sigma \rightarrow^j$ by Lemma 5A.1. □

5B.4. Proof of Theorem 3B.3, Parts (c) and (d). The simple representations we found in (a) satisfy

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}^v}(\mathbf{M}_0)^2 + \sum_{\sigma \in \text{orbits}} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \dim_{\mathbb{C}^v}(\mathbf{L}(\sigma)_i)^2 = \dim_{\mathbb{C}^v}(T_e).$$

This follows from Theorem 2E.10 (c). Indeed, each orbit in V_e with stabilizer of order m defines m representations of dimension N/m and there are

$$\frac{m}{N} \frac{N}{M} \sum_{k | \gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \binom{M/mk}{N/mk}$$

such orbits. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\sigma \in \text{orbits}} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \dim_{\mathbb{C}^v}(\mathbf{L}(\sigma)_i)^2 &= \sum_{m | \gcd(N, e)} m \frac{m}{N} \frac{N^2}{m^2} \frac{N}{M} \sum_{k | \gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \binom{M/mk}{N/mk} \\ &= \frac{N^2}{M} \sum_{m | \gcd(N, e)} \sum_{k | \gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \binom{M/mk}{N/mk} \\ &\stackrel{(\star)}{=} \frac{N^2}{M} \binom{M}{N} = Np_e^N, \end{aligned}$$

where the equality (\star) follows from the convolution property of the Möbius function. The result now follows since the sum of squares of dimensions of simple representations is equal to the dimension of the algebra, which implies semisimplicity. ■

5B.5. Graphs of type D. We also construct other examples of Ncolored graphs through the fusion rules of module categories over $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. The corresponding module categories are constructed as categories of modules over an algebra in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. This is similar to the orbifold procedure of [42].

Given a rank N , a level e and $1 \leq i < N$, the pointed subcategory generated by $L_{e\omega_i}$ has the fusion rules of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$. However, this subcategory is not a symmetric subcategory in general. Recall, for a finite group G and a central element $z \in G$ with $z \neq 1$ and $z^2 = 1$, the braided fusion category $\mathbf{Rep}(G, z)$ as in [29, Example 9.9.1 (3)]. Let $g = \gcd(N, e)$ and $p = N/g$.

Lemma 5B.4. *The pointed subcategory \mathbf{P} generated by $L_{e\omega_p}$ is a symmetric subcategory of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. Moreover, \mathbf{P} is braided equivalent to $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$ if $(e/g$ and p are odd and g is even) and to $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$ otherwise.*

Proof. The twist of the simple object $L_{e\omega_i}$ is given by

$$\eta^{(e\omega_i, e\omega_i + 2\rho)} = \exp(i\pi i(N - i)/N).$$

Therefore, since $L_{e\omega_{pi}} \otimes L_{e\omega_{pj}} \simeq L_{e\omega_{p(i+j)}}$, we have

$$\beta_{L_{e\omega_{pi}}, L_{e\omega_{pj}}} = \theta_{e\omega_{p(i+j)}} \theta_{e\omega_{pi}}^{-1} \theta_{e\omega_{pj}}^{-1} = \text{id},$$

and the subcategory \mathbf{P} is symmetric.

By [29, Corollary 9.9.25], it remains to compute the braiding of the generating object $L_{e\omega_p}$ with itself. Since the object $L_{e\omega_p} \otimes L_{e\omega_p}$ is simple, the braiding $\beta_{L_{e\omega_p}, L_{e\omega_p}}$ is a scalar multiple of the identity. By [29, Exercise 8.10.15], since the invertible object $L_{e\omega_p}$ is of quantum dimension 1, we have $\beta_{L_{e\omega_p}, L_{e\omega_p}} = \theta_{e\omega_p}$. One may check that $\theta_{e\omega_p} = (-1)^{ep(g-1)/g} \text{id}$, which is equal to -1 if and only if e/g , p and $g - 1$ are all odd. ■

We describe the classical construction of an algebra in $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$, the case of $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$ being similar. In the category $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$, we consider the algebra of complex valued functions, which is an algebra in this category. In the category $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$, there is a similar algebra object, but the multiplication is twisted by a sign, through the action of z . Fourier transform for abelian finite groups implies that these algebras are, as representations, isomorphic to the direct sum of simple representations.

The category \mathbf{P} is equivalent to $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$ or $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$. We let A^D be the algebra in \mathbf{P} corresponding to the above algebra in $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$ or $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$.

Lemma 5B.5. *In $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, we have $A^D \simeq L_0 \oplus L_{e\omega_p} \oplus \cdots \oplus L_{e\omega_{(g-1)p}}$.*

Proof. The result follows from the decomposition of the algebra in $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$ and $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$, since the g simple objects of $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$ or $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}, z)$ are identified with the simple objects $L_0, L_{e\omega_p}, \dots, L_{e\omega_{(g-1)p}}$. ■

Remark 5B.6. For $N = 3$, in [57, Proposition 5.4.3] the calculation of the algebra object A^D was done using symmetric webs [49, 68, 70]. We instead use a corollary of Deligne’s theorem on Tannakian categories, see [29, Corollary 9.9.25].

We consider the category \mathbf{M} of (right) modules over A^D in $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. In the case \mathbf{P} is equivalent to $\mathbf{Rep}(\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z})$, the category \mathbf{M} is the de-equivariantization of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$, and is a braided $\mathbb{Z}/g\mathbb{Z}$ -crossed category.

Lemma 5B.7. *The category \mathbf{M} is a finite semisimple module category over the category $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$.*

Proof. The only nontrivial statement is the semisimplicity, which follows from the separability of A^D , by [29, Proposition 7.8.30]. By Remark 5B.6, separability is equivalent to the digon scalar to be invertible, which is immediate from the definition of symmetric webs. Here, we assume familiarity with webs. ■

There is a $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ -grading on \mathbf{M} . The simple objects of \mathbf{M} are all obtained as summands of free objects $A^D \otimes L_{\mathbf{m}}$. Since all summands of A^D are of color 0, $A^D \otimes L_{\mathbf{m}}$ is of color $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}})$. This grading is moreover compatible with the grading of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$.

We define the *graph of type D* of rank N and level e as the graph Γ with set of vertices $\text{Si}(\mathbf{M})$, colored with the above $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ -grading, and the vertices X and Y are adjacent if and only if Y is a summand of $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{N-1} L_{\omega_i} \otimes X$. The graph Γ_i is then the fusion graph of the object L_{ω_i} .

5B.6. Proof of Theorem 3C.12, Part (a). For type A , this is explained in [75, Section 1.3, Example 2]. We give a self-contained proof.

Lemma 5B.8. *For Γ of type A of rank N and level e , the matrices $(A(\Gamma_1), \dots, A(\Gamma_{N-1}))$ can be simultaneously diagonalized and their joint spectrum is the Koornwinder variety \mathbb{V}_e .*

Proof. The matrix $A(\Gamma_i)$ is the fusion matrix of L_{ω_i} in the category $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$. The S -matrix diagonalizes the fusion rules [29, Corollary 8.14.5] and the joint spectrum of $(A(\Gamma_1), \dots, A(\Gamma_{N-1}))$ is

$$\{(S_{\mathbf{k}, \omega_1}^{\mathfrak{sl}} / S_{\mathbf{k}, 0}^{\mathfrak{sl}}, \dots, S_{\mathbf{k}, \omega_{N-1}}^{\mathfrak{sl}} / S_{\mathbf{k}, 0}^{\mathfrak{sl}} \mid \mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)\}.$$

A direct application of Weyl character formula shows that

$$\frac{S_{\mathbf{k}, \omega_i}^{\mathfrak{sl}}}{S_{\mathbf{k}, 0}^{\mathfrak{sl}}} = \sum_j \eta^{2(\mathbf{k} + \rho, w_j^i)} = Z_i \left(\frac{2\pi}{e + N} (\mathbf{k} + \rho) \right).$$

We conclude using Lemma 2E.8 and Theorem 2E.10. ■

By definition of the Koornwinder variety and Lemma 3C.5, $\mathbf{M}(\Gamma)$ is a T_e -representation for Γ of type A . □

5C. Missing proofs for Section 4

5C.1. Proof of Theorem 4A.5, Part (c). Firstly, we will compute the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ and then the number of simple objects with a stabilizer of a given order. We will denote by $L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}$ the simple object $L_{\mathbf{m}} \boxtimes L_{\mathbf{k}}$. In these lemmas we use Euler's totient function φ and the Möbius function μ .

Lemma 5C.1. *The rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ is*

$$\frac{N}{M^2} \sum_{k \mid \gcd(M, N)} \varphi(k) \binom{M/k}{N/k}^2.$$

Proof. The simple objects are indexed by pairs $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2$ such that $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}})$. Let V be a complex vector space with basis (v_0, \dots, v_{N-1}) equipped with the endomorphism Ω defined by $\Omega(v_i) = \omega^i v_i$, where ω is a primitive N th root of unity. This endows V with an action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, and then also the symmetric algebra $S(V \times V^*) = S(V) \otimes S(V^*)$. If we denote by (w_0, \dots, w_{N-1}) the dual basis of (v_0, \dots, v_{N-1}) , then $(v_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}})_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2}$, where

$$v_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}} = v_0^{e - \sum \mathbf{m}} v_1^{m_1} \dots v_{N-1}^{m_{N-1}} \otimes w_0^{e - \sum \mathbf{k}} w_1^{k_1} \dots w_{N-1}^{k_{N-1}},$$

is a basis of $S^e(V) \otimes S^e(V^*)$, on which Ω acts diagonally:

$$\Omega(v_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}) = \omega^{\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) - \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}})} v_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}.$$

Therefore, the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbf{I}_N))_0$ is equal to the dimension of $(S^e(V) \otimes S^e(V^*))^{\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}}$. Using a multigraded version of Molien's formula, one finds that the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbf{I}_N))_0$ is the coefficient of $u^e v^e$ in

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\det_V(1 - \Omega^i u) \det_{V^*}(1 - \Omega^i v)}.$$

Since Ω is diagonal in the basis (v_0, \dots, v_{N-1}) , we have $\det_V(1 - \Omega^i u) = \prod_{j=0}^{N-1} (1 - \omega^{ij} u) = (1 - u^{k_i})^{n/k_i}$, where k_i is the order of the root ω^i . Similarly, $\det_{V^*}(1 - \Omega^i v) = (1 - v^{k_i})^{n/k_i}$. Since there are exactly $\varphi(k)$ powers of ω of order k , one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\det_V(1 - \Omega^i u) \det_{V^*}(1 - \Omega^i v)} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k|N} \frac{\varphi(k)}{(1 - u^k)^{N/k} (1 - v^k)^{N/k}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k|N} \varphi(k) \sum_{i, j \geq 0} \binom{N/k + i - 1}{N/k - 1} \binom{N/k + j - 1}{N/k - 1} u^{ki} v^{kj}. \end{aligned}$$

Only the terms with $k \mid e$ will contribute to the coefficient of $u^e v^e$ and we finally obtain that the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbf{I}_N))_0$ is

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \mid \gcd(e, N)} \varphi(k) \binom{N/k + e/k - 1}{N/k - 1}^2 = \frac{N}{M^2} \sum_{k \mid \gcd(M, N)} \varphi(k) \binom{M/k}{N/k}^2,$$

the last equality is obtained using $e + N = M$ and $\binom{a-1}{b-1} = \frac{b}{a} \binom{a}{b}$. \blacksquare

Lemma 5C.2. *Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $m \nmid \gcd(N, e)$, then there is no simple object of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbf{I}_N))_0$ with stabilizer of order m under $\mathbf{L}_{e\omega_1, e\omega_1} \otimes \dots$. If $m \mid \gcd(N, e)$, then*

the number of simple objects of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ with stabilizer of order m under $L_{e\omega_1, e\omega_1} \otimes -$ is

$$c_{\mathbf{Z}}(N, M, m) = \frac{mN}{M^2} \sum_{k|\gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \left(\frac{M/mk}{N/mk} \right)^2.$$

Proof. The count is similar to the count of Theorem 2E.10 (c). The base case is dealt by Lemma 5C.1, and, at the end of the inductive step, we use the fact Euler's totient function is the convolution of the Möbius function and of the identity function. ■

Each orbit of $X^+(e)^2$ with stabilizer of order m will contribute m simple objects in the modular closure of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$, and there are $\frac{m}{N}c_{\mathbf{Z}}(N, M, m)$ such orbits. Hence, the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))_0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m|\gcd(M, N)} \frac{m^2}{N} c_{\mathbf{Z}}(N, M, m) &= \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m|\gcd(M, N)} \sum_{k|\gcd(M/m, N/m)} m^3 \mu(k) \left(\frac{M/mk}{N/mk} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m|\gcd(M, N)} \sum_{k|m} k^3 \mu\left(\frac{m}{k}\right) \left(\frac{M/m}{N/m}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain the formula in Theorem 4A.5 (c) since J_3 is the convolution of the Möbius function μ and the cube function. □

5C.2. Proof of Theorem 4A.5, Part (e). We will use the description of the modular closure of the category $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N) \boxtimes \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)^{\text{rev}})_0$ as in [62, Definition 3.12]. Recall that it is obtained as the idempotent completion of the category where the objects are the same as in \mathbf{R} , but morphisms between X and Y are $\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{R}}(X, L_{e\omega_i, e\omega_i} \otimes Y)$. Let us denote by γ an endomorphism of $L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}$ in the modular closure different from the identity and of order $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}$. Then the primitive idempotents of $\text{End}(L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}})$ in the modular closure are $p_j = \frac{1}{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \sum_{k=1}^{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \xi^{jk} \gamma^k$ for $j \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, where ξ is a primitive $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}$ th root of unity. Using similar notations for the object $L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i), (\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}', j)} &= \text{Tr}(p_i \otimes p'_j \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}, L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}, L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \sum_{k=1}^{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \xi^{ik} \text{Tr}(\gamma^k \otimes p'_{j'} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}, L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}, L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, summing over i , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i), (\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}', i')} &= \text{Tr}(\text{id} \otimes p'_{j'} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}, L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}, L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \text{Tr}(\beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}, L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}} \circ \beta_{L_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}, L_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}}), \end{aligned}$$

since the other terms in the sum defining $p'_{j'}$ are of trace 0, as they are traces of morphisms between different objects in \mathbf{R} .

Now suppose that N is prime. Then Lemma 5C.2 shows that there exists a unique pair $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in X^+(e)^2$ with $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{m}}) = \chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})$ and $\text{stab}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}} \neq 1$ if and only if $e \equiv 0 \pmod N$, and one easily checks that $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{k} = (e/N, \dots, e/N)$ provides such a pair. A similar argument as above shows that $S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j)} = S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i'), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j')}$ if $i - j \equiv i' - j' \pmod N$.

We now use the relation $\tau^- T^{-1} S T^{-1} = S T S$, where τ^- is the Gauss sum as in [29, Definition 8.15.1]. This relation is satisfied since the modular closure is a modular category. The entry $((\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i))$ of this relation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^- \theta_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}^2 S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} &= \sum_{(\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}') \neq (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k})} \theta_{\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'}^{-1} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}')} S_{(\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{k}'), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0)} \\ &\quad + \theta_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^N S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j)} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $k \not\equiv 0 \pmod N$. Multiplying by ξ^{ik} and summing then gives

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^- \theta_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}^3 \sum_{i=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} &= \sum_{i, j=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j)} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} \\ &= \sum_{i, j=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j)} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j-i)} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

But $\sum_{i=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} \neq 0$ since a similar calculation shows that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \xi^{ik} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)} = \sum_{i=1}^N (S^2)_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, 0), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i)}$$

and that S^2 is, up to a nonzero constant, the permutation matrix given by the duality on simple objects.

We finally obtain that

$$S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, i), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}, j)} = \frac{1}{N^2} \begin{cases} S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k})} + N(N-1)\theta_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}^3 \tau^- & \text{if } i = j, \\ S_{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}), (\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k})} - N\theta_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}}^3 \tau^- & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

It is a calculation to show that the Gauss sum τ^- is equal to $\dim_c \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)/N$. First, one shows that the Gauss sum τ^- is equal to the Gauss sum $\tau^-(\mathbf{R})$ of \mathbf{R} . Then, using the grading, one shows that $N\tau^-(\mathbf{R}) = \tau^-(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N) \boxtimes \mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)^{\text{rev}})$. Finally, one concludes using [29, Proposition 8.15.4]. \square

5C.3. Definition of the action. Now we come to Section 4B, so the reader might want to recall the various terminology. We define an action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ on $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ as follows. Given $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$, we define $f + k$ as the unique function $Y \rightarrow \{0, \dots, M - 1\}$ such that $(f + k)(y) \equiv f(y) + k \pmod{M}$ for all $y \in Y$. Since $f + k$ is not necessarily increasing on $\pi^{-1}(i)$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, we denote by f^{+k} the unique function in $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ such that $f^{+k}(\pi^{-1}(i)) = (f + k)(\pi^{-1}(i))$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. Given $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, we denote by $s(f)$ the cardinal of the stabilizer of f for the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ induced by $f \mapsto f^{+1}$. The unipotent characters lying in the family \mathcal{F} are then indexed by pairs $([f], s)$ where $[f]$ is an equivalence class of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ and $1 \leq s \leq s(f)$.

For $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, let $\bar{f}: \{1, \dots, N\} \rightarrow \{0, \dots, M - 1\}$ be the only increasing function such that $\{\bar{f}(1), \dots, \bar{f}(N)\}$ is the complement of $f(\pi^{-1}(0))$ in $\{0, \dots, M - 1\}$. Then we have $\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - \bar{f}(i)) \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$.

Example 5C.3. We take $e = 2$ and $N = 3$, so that $M = 5$, and $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ given by $f(1) = 0, f(2) = 1, f(3) = 2, f(4) = 0$ and $f(5) = 2$. This corresponds to Malle's 5-symbol,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \\ 0 & 1 \\ - & \\ - & \end{pmatrix}$$

see Remark 4B.2 for the construction. The 1's in this symbol appear in the rows $f(1), f(2)$ and $f(3) = f(N)$, whereas the 0's appear in the rows $f(4) = f(N + 1)$ and $f(5) = f(N + e) = f(M)$, and \bar{f} records the rows which do not have 0's.

Finally, the functions f^{+1} and f^{+3} satisfy $f^{+1}(1) = 1, f^{+1}(2) = 2, f^{+1}(3) = 3, f^{+1}(4) = 1$ and $f^{+1}(5) = 3$ and $f^{+3}(1) = 0, f^{+3}(2) = 3, f^{+3}(3) = 4, f^{+3}(4) = 0$ and $f^{+3}(5) = 3$. They respectively correspond to the symbols

$$\begin{pmatrix} - \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \\ 0 & 1 \\ - \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ - \\ - \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The symbols corresponding to f^{+1} and f^{+3} are obtained from the symbol corresponding to f via a cyclic shift.

5C.4. Proof of Theorem 4B.5, Part (a). The computation of the cardinal of \mathcal{F} is similar to Theorem 4A.5 (c).

Lemma 5C.4. *The cardinal of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ is $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{k|\gcd(N, M)} \left(\frac{M/k}{N/k}\right)^2$.*

Proof. The proof is similar to Lemma 5C.1. We consider V a \mathbb{C} -vector space of dimension M equipped with a basis (v_0, \dots, v_{M-1}) . Let ω be a primitive M th root of unity, and define Ω as the endomorphism of V such that $\Omega(v_i) = \omega^i v_i$. This endows V with an action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$, and also the exterior power $\Lambda(V \times V^*) = \Lambda(V) \otimes \Lambda(V^*)$. We denote by (w_0, \dots, w_{M-1}) the dual basis of (v_0, \dots, v_{M-1}) . Given a function $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, \dots, M-1\}$ strictly increasing on $\pi^{-1}(1) = \{1, \dots, N\}$ and on $\pi^{-1}(0) = \{N+1, \dots, M\}$, we set

$$v_f = (v_{f(1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge v_{f(N)}) \otimes (w_{\bar{f}(1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge w_{\bar{f}(N)}) \in \Lambda^N(V) \otimes \Lambda^N(V^*).$$

Such vectors form a basis of $\Lambda^N(V) \otimes \Lambda^N(V^*)$ on which Ω acts diagonally: $\Omega(v_f) = \omega^{\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - \bar{f}(i))} v_f$. Therefore, the cardinality of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ is equal to the dimension of $(\Lambda^N(V) \otimes \Lambda^N(V^*))^{\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}}$, and, via a Molien-type argument, is the $u^N v^N$ coefficient in

$$\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}} \det_V(1 + \Omega^i u) \det_{V^*}(1 + \Omega^i v).$$

Using arguments similar to Lemma 5C.1, we find that the $u^N v^N$ coefficient of the above polynomial is $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{k | \gcd(N, M)} \varphi(k) \left(\frac{M/k}{N/k}\right)^2$. ■

Lemma 5C.5. *Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $m \nmid \gcd(N, M)$, then there is no $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ with $s(f) = m$. If $m | \gcd(N, M)$, then the number of $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ with $s(f) = m$ is*

$$c_\Psi(N, M, m) = \frac{m}{M} \sum_{k | \gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \left(\frac{M/mk}{N/mk}\right)^2.$$

Proof. As for Lemma 5C.2, the proof is similar to proof of Theorem 2E.10 (c), the base case being dealt by Lemma 5C.4. ■

Each orbit of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ with stabilizer of order m will contribute m unipotent characters in \mathcal{F} , and there are $\frac{m}{M} c_\Psi(N, M, m)$ such orbits. Hence, the cardinality of \mathcal{F} is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m | \gcd(M, N)} \frac{m^2}{M} c_\Psi(N, M, m) &= \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m | \gcd(M, N)} \sum_{k | \gcd(N/m, M/m)} m^3 \mu(k) \left(\frac{M/mk}{N/mk}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m | \gcd(M, N)} \sum_{k | m} k^3 \mu\left(\frac{m}{k}\right) \left(\frac{M/m}{N/m}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since J_3 is the convolution of the Möbius function μ and the cube function, we obtain

$$|\mathcal{F}| = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k | \gcd(N, M)} J_3(k) \left(\frac{M/k}{N/k}\right)^2.$$

By Theorem 4A.5 (c), this cardinality is the rank of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M, M, N})$. □

5C.5. The map $\bar{\iota}$. We define a map $\iota: \Psi(Y, \pi) \rightarrow (X^+(e))^2$, $f \mapsto (\mathbf{m}_f, \mathbf{k}_f)$ where

$$\mathbf{m}_f = (f(2) - f(1) - 1, \dots, f(N) - f(N-1) - 1)^{\rightarrow r_f}$$

and

$$\mathbf{k}_f = (\bar{f}(2) - \bar{f}(1) - 1, \dots, \bar{f}(N) - \bar{f}(N-1) - 1),$$

with $r_f \in \mathbb{Z}$ being the unique integer such that $\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - \bar{f}(i)) = r_f M$. The appearance of a rotation by r_f is necessary to make Lemma 5C.8 true. Note that, going back to the definition of \rightarrow , using the weight notation (with the convention that $\omega_0 = 0$), and considering all indices and arguments modulo N , we have

$$\mathbf{m}_f = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i+1 - r_f) - f(i - r_f) - 1)\omega_i + M\omega_{r_f}. \quad (5.6)$$

Example 5C.7. We continue Example 5C.3, and consider the same function $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$. We have $r_f = -1$, and the corresponding weights are $\mathbf{m}_f = (0, 0)^{\rightarrow(-1)} = (0, 2)$ and $\mathbf{k}_f = (1, 0)$. Both are of color $1 \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, see Lemma 5C.8.

The reader may verify that $r_{f+1} = 0$ and $r_{f+3} = 0$, that $\mathbf{m}_{f+1} = (\mathbf{m}_f)^{\rightarrow}$ and $\mathbf{k}_{f+1} = (\mathbf{k}_f)^{\rightarrow}$, and that $\mathbf{m}_{f+3} = (\mathbf{m}_f)^{\rightarrow 2}$ and $\mathbf{k}_{f+3} = (\mathbf{k}_f)^{\rightarrow 2}$. This behavior of ι under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ is explained in the proof of Lemma 5C.9

We now show that ι induces an isomorphism between \mathcal{F} and $\text{Si}(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}))$.

Lemma 5C.8. *For any $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, we have $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}_f}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}_f}) \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$.*

Proof. A straightforward calculation shows that $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}_f}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N \bar{f}(i) - \binom{N}{2}$. Since \rightarrow adds e to the color, we obtain that $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}_f}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N f(i) - \binom{N}{2} + r_f e$. Therefore, $\chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}_f}) - \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}_f}) = r_f(M - e) = 0$ since $M = e + N$. ■

Lemma 5C.9. *The map ι induces a bijection $\bar{\iota}$ between the orbits of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ and the orbits of $\{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2 \mid \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{m}}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{k}})\}$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$.*

Proof. We first study the behavior of ι under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$. For $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, we show that

$$\iota(f^{+1}) = \begin{cases} \iota(f) & \text{if } \bar{f}(N) \neq M - 1, \\ \iota(f)^{\rightarrow} & \text{if } \bar{f}(N) = M - 1. \end{cases}$$

We distinguish four different cases depending on whether $f(N)$ and $\bar{f}(N)$ are equal to $M - 1$. If $f(N) = M - 1$ and $\bar{f}(N) \neq M - 1$, then $f^{+1}(1) = 0$, $f^{+1}(i) = f(i-1) + 1$ for all $1 < i \leq N$ and $\bar{f}^{+1}(i) = \bar{f}(i) + 1$ for all $1 \leq i \leq N$. Therefore, $r_{f+1} = r_f - 1$ and $\iota(f^{+1}) = \iota(f)$. The three other cases are similar. Therefore, ι

induces a well-defined map $\bar{\iota}$ from the orbits of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ to the orbits of $\{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2 \mid \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_\mathbf{m}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_\mathbf{k})\}$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$.

We now prove that if $f, g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ are such that $\iota(f)$ and $\iota(g)$ are in the same orbit of $(X^+(e))^2$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, then f and g are in the same orbit of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$. This would imply that the above induced map $\bar{\iota}$ is injective. Let $1 \leq l \leq N$ such that $\iota(f) = \iota(g)^{\rightarrow l}$, and $0 \leq k < M$ such that $\bar{g}(N - l + 1) = M - k$. Then one may check that $\iota(g^{+k}) = \iota(g)^{\rightarrow l}$ and we may and will suppose that $\iota(f) = \iota(g)$. The above behavior of ι also shows that $\iota(f^{+(M-\bar{f}(N)-1)}) = \iota(f)$, and similarly for g . Therefore, we also may and will suppose that $\bar{f}(N) = \bar{g}(N)$.

With these extra assumptions, it remains to show that $f = g$. Since $\bar{f}(N) = \bar{g}(N)$ and $\mathbf{k}_f = \mathbf{k}_g$, we easily deduce that $\bar{f}(i) = \bar{g}(i)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq N$. Let $0 \leq r'_f, r'_g < N$ such that $r'_f \equiv r_f \pmod{N}$ and $r'_g \equiv r_g \pmod{N}$. Since $\mathbf{m}_f = \mathbf{m}_g$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} i(\mathbf{m}_{f,i} - \mathbf{m}_{g,i}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N (g(i) - f(i)) + N(f(N - r'_f) - g(N - r'_g)) + M(r'_f - r'_g) \\ &= M(r'_f - r_f + r_g - r'_g) + N(f(N - r'_f) - g(N - r'_g)). \end{aligned}$$

We hence deduce that M divides $f(N - r'_f) - g(N - r'_g)$, which is between $-M + 1$ and $M - 1$ so that $f(N - r'_f) = g(N - r'_g)$. The equality $\mathbf{m}_f = \mathbf{m}_g$ then implies that $f(i - r'_f) = g(i - r'_g)$ for all i and that $r_f = r_g$ since $M(r_f - r_g) = \sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - g(i))$. We obtain that $f = g$ as expected.

Therefore, $\bar{\iota}$ is an injective map between the $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ orbits of $\Psi(Y, \pi)$ and the $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ orbits of $\{(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k}) \in (X^+(e))^2 \mid \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_\mathbf{m}) = \chi_c(\mathbf{L}_\mathbf{k})\}$. Since the number of such orbits is the same we deduce that this injection is a bijection. \blacksquare

5C.6. Proof of Theorem 4B.5, Part (b). Recall that the symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_N acts on the weights. We will denote by \bullet the action shifted by ρ . We need the following two technical lemmas.

Lemma 5C.10. *Let $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ and $w \in \mathfrak{S}_N$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} (w \bullet \mathbf{m}_f)_i &\equiv f(w^{-1}(i + 1) - r_f) - f(w^{-1}(i) - r_f) - 1 \pmod{M}, \\ (w \bullet \mathbf{k}_f)_i &\equiv \bar{f}(w^{-1}(i + 1)) - \bar{f}(w^{-1}(i)) - 1 \pmod{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. It suffices to treat the case of a simple reflection s_j through the hyperplane orthogonal to α_j . We only do the case of \mathbf{m}_f , the case of \mathbf{k}_f being similar. By definition, we have $s_j \bullet \mathbf{m}_f = \mathbf{m}_f - \langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, \alpha_j^\vee \rangle \alpha_j$. Using (5.6), we have $\langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, \alpha_j^\vee \rangle$

$\equiv f(j + 1 - r_f) - f(j - r_f) \pmod{N}$. Since $\alpha_j = -\omega_{j-1} + 2\omega_j - \omega_{j+1}$, we verify that the statement of the lemma holds for $w = s_j$. ■

Lemma 5C.11. *Let $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ and $w, w' \in \mathfrak{S}_N$. Then we have $w \bullet \mathbf{m}_f - w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_f = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} v_i \alpha_i$ with*

$$v_i \equiv \sum_{j=1}^i (\bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j)) - f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f)) \pmod{M}.$$

Proof. By definition of the fundamental roots, we have $v_i = \langle w \bullet \mathbf{m}_f - w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_f, \omega_i \rangle$. Using equation (5.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} v_i &= M \langle \omega_{r_f}, \omega_i \rangle + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (f(w^{-1}(j+1) - r_f) - f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f) \\ &\quad - \bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j+1)) + \bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j))) \langle \omega_j, \omega_i \rangle \\ &= M \langle \omega_{r_f}, \omega_i \rangle + \sum_{j=1}^N (f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f) - \bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j))) \langle \omega_{j-1} - \omega_j, \omega_i \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\langle \omega_i, \omega_j \rangle = \min(i, j) - \frac{ij}{N}$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} v_i &= M \langle \omega_{r_f}, \omega_i \rangle + \frac{i}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f) - \bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j))) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^j (f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f) - \bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j))) \\ &= M \min(r_f, i) + \sum_{j=1}^j (\bar{f}(w'^{-1}(j)) - f(w^{-1}(j) - r_f)), \end{aligned}$$

the last equality following from the definition of r_f . ■

We now give another expression for the pre-Fourier matrix of the family \mathcal{F} , which will be more suitable for the comparison with the modular data arising from the asymptotic category. Recall the matrix $\mathcal{S} = (\eta^{-2ij})_{0 \leq i, j < M}$.

Lemma 5C.12. *Let $0 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_e \leq M - 1$ and $0 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_e \leq M - 1$. Let \mathbf{i} be the e -tuple (i_1, \dots, i_e) , \mathbf{j} be the e -tuple (j_1, \dots, j_e) and ${}^c \mathbf{i}$ be the strictly increasing n -tuple obtained from the complement of \mathbf{i} in $\{0, \dots, M - 1\}$ and similarly for ${}^c \mathbf{j}$. Then*

$$(\Lambda^e \mathcal{S})_{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}} = (-1)^{\sum_{k=1}^e ({}^c i_k + {}^c j_k)} \frac{\det(\mathcal{S})}{M^N} (\Lambda^N \bar{\mathcal{S}})_{{}^c \mathbf{i}, {}^c \mathbf{j}}.$$

Proof. Since $\frac{1}{M}\bar{\mathcal{S}}$ is the inverse of \mathcal{S} , the inverse of $\Lambda^N \mathcal{S}$ is $\frac{1}{M}\Lambda^N \bar{\mathcal{S}}$. But the inverse of $\Lambda^N \mathcal{S}$ can also be expressed in terms of the N th adjugate matrix of \mathcal{S} . The lemma follows then from the explicit form of the adjugate matrix. ■

As $\tau = (-1)^{\binom{M}{2}} \det(\mathcal{S})$, we deduce that, given $f, g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, the pre-Fourier matrix of \mathcal{F} has the following expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{[f],[g]} &= \frac{(-1)^{\sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{f}(i) + \bar{g}(i))} \varepsilon(f) \varepsilon(g)}{M^{N-1}} \sum_{w, w' \in \mathfrak{C}_N} (-1)^{l(w) + l(w')} \\ &\quad \cdot \prod_{i=1}^N \eta^{2(f(w(i))g(i) - \bar{f}(w'(i))\bar{g}(i))}. \end{aligned}$$

Given $f, g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, using the explicit formula for the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbb{I}_N))_0$ (see Lemma 2C.1 for the S -matrix of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)$), we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_{i(f), i(g)}^0 &= S_{\mathbf{m}_f, \mathbf{m}_g}^{\cong \mathbb{I}} \overline{S_{\mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_g}^{\cong \mathbb{I}}} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{w, w' \in \mathfrak{C}_N} (-1)^{l(w) + l(w')} \eta^{2\langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, w(\mathbf{m}_g + \rho) \rangle - 2\langle \mathbf{k}_f + \rho, w'(\mathbf{k}_g + \rho) \rangle}}{\sum_{w, w' \in \mathfrak{C}_N} (-1)^{l(w) + l(w')} \eta^{2\langle \rho, w(\rho) \rangle - 2\langle \rho, w'(\rho) \rangle}}. \end{aligned}$$

We are then concerned with the value, modulo M , of $\langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, w(\mathbf{m}_g + \rho) \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k}_f + \rho, w'(\mathbf{k}_g + \rho) \rangle$. Using the shifted action of the symmetric group, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, w(\mathbf{m}_g + \rho) \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k}_f + \rho, w'(\mathbf{k}_g + \rho) \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g + \rho \rangle + \langle w \bullet \mathbf{m}_g - w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g, w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g + \rho \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 5C.10 and Lemma 5C.11, we find

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g + \rho \rangle \\ &\equiv \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (\bar{g}(w'^{-1}(N)) - \bar{g}(w'^{-1}(j))) (f(j) - f(j - r_f)) \pmod{M} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle w \bullet \mathbf{m}_g - w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g, w' \bullet \mathbf{k}_g + \rho \rangle \\ &\equiv \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (f(n - r_f) - f(j - r_f)) (\bar{g}(w'^{-1}(j)) - g(w^{-1}(j) - k_g)) \pmod{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ we have $\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - \bar{f}(i)) \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$ and similarly for g . Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \mathbf{m}_f + \rho, w(\mathbf{m}_g + \rho) \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k}_f + \rho, w'(\mathbf{k}_g + \rho) \rangle \\ &\equiv \sum_{j=1}^N (f(j - r_f) - g(w^{-1}(j) - r_g) - \bar{f}(j) \bar{g}(w'^{-1}(j))) \pmod{M} \end{aligned}$$

and since $w \mapsto (j \mapsto w(j + r_g) - r_g)$ is a signature preserving bijection of \mathfrak{S}_N we have

$$S_{\iota(f), \iota(g)} = \frac{\sum_{w, w' \in \mathfrak{S}_N} (-1)^{l(w) + l(w')} \prod_{i=1}^N \eta^{f(w(j))g(j) - \bar{f}(w'(j))\bar{g}(j)}}{\sum_{w, w' \in \mathfrak{S}_N} (-1)^{l(w) + l(w')} \eta^{2\langle \rho, w(\rho) \rangle - 2\langle \rho, w'(\rho) \rangle}}.$$

We finally renormalize the S -matrix by the positive square root of the categorical dimension of $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M, M, N})$, in order to compare with the pre-Fourier matrix of family \mathcal{F} . By [29, Corollary 8.23.12], we have $\dim(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))) = N^2 \dim(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M, M, N}))$. Since the category $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ is modular, we deduce that $\dim(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))) = \dim(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))^2$. Using [8, Theorem 3.3.20], we find that the positive square root of $\dim(\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M, M, N}))$ is then

$$\frac{\dim(\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N))}{N} = M^{N-1} \left| \sum_{w \in \mathfrak{S}_N} (-1)^{l(w)} \eta^{2\langle \rho, w(\rho) \rangle} \right|^{-2}. \quad \square$$

5C.7. Proof of Theorem 4B.5, Part (c). We first rewrite slightly the eigenvalue of the Frobenius.

Lemma 5C.13. *Given $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ and $1 \leq s \leq s(f)$, we have $\text{Frob}([f], s) = \eta^{-\alpha(f)}$ with*

$$\alpha(f) \equiv -2 \sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - f(i - r_f)) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \bar{f}(j) - \sum_{j=1}^i f(j - r_f) \right) \pmod{2M}.$$

Proof. The value of $\alpha(f)$ is given in equation (4.3). First, using the definition of \bar{f} , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{y \in Y} (f(y)^2 + Mf(y)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N (f(i)^2 + Mf(i) - \bar{f}(i)^2 - M\bar{f}(i)) + \sum_{j=1}^M (j^2 + Mj) \end{aligned}$$

so that $\alpha(f) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{f}(i)^2 + M\bar{f}(i) - f(i)^2 - Mf(i)) \pmod{2M}$. Now, we rewrite $\bar{f}(N)$ using the fact that $f \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$ and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}(N)^2 + M\bar{f}(N) &= \left(f(N - r_f) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - f(i)) - er_f \right)^2 \\ &\quad + M \left(f(N - r_f) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - f(i)) - er_f \right). \end{aligned}$$

Expanding the square, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}(N)^2 + M\bar{f}(N) &\equiv f(N - r_f)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - f(i)) \right)^2 \\ &\quad + 2f(N - r_f) \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - f(i)) \\ &\quad + M \left(f(N - r_f) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - f(i)) \right) \pmod{2M}. \end{aligned}$$

We then check that this implies that

$$\alpha(f) \equiv 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (f(i - r_f) - \bar{f}(i)) \left(\sum_{j=i+1}^N f(j - r_f) - \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \bar{f}(j) \right) \pmod{2M},$$

and we conclude the proof using once again that $\sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{f}(i) - f(i)) \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$. ■

Given $g \in \Psi(Y, \pi)$, the value for the ribbon in $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N})$ is

$$\theta_{i(f)} = \eta^{\langle \mathbf{m}_f, \mathbf{m}_f + 2\rho \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_f + 2\rho \rangle}.$$

We notice the equality $\langle \mathbf{m}_f, \mathbf{m}_f + 2\rho \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_f + 2\rho \rangle = \langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f \rangle + 2\langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_f + \rho \rangle$. On the one hand, using Lemma 5C.11, $\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle = a_{i,j}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^N (f(i) - \bar{f}(i)) \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f \rangle \\ &\equiv 2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\sum_{j=1}^i (\bar{f}(j) - f(j - r_f)) \right) (\bar{f}(i) - f(i - r_f)) \pmod{2M}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using once again Lemma 5C.11, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{m}_f - \mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_f + \rho \rangle &\equiv \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^i (\bar{f}(j) - f(j - r_f)) \right) (\bar{f}(i+1) - \bar{f}(i)) \\ &\equiv - \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{f}(i) (\bar{f}(i) - f(i - r_f)) \pmod{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\theta_{i(f)} = \eta^{2\beta(f)}$, where

$$\beta(f) = \sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{f}(i) - f(i - r_f)) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \bar{f}(j) - \sum_{j=1}^i f(j - r_f) \right).$$

Then Lemma 5C.13 shows that the ribbon and the eigenvalue of the Frobenius coincide, and we conclude, since the T -matrix is the diagonal matrix with entries, the inverse of the ribbon. \square

5C.8. Proof of Theorem 4C.3, Part (d). Since $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ is a matrix category over $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$, we first compute the Artin–Wedderburn decomposition of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$, which is a subring of $\text{Mat}_N([\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}})$, by determining all the primitive central idempotents.

It is easy to see that the center of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ consists of diagonal matrices with entries in the center of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$. A central idempotent of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ is then a diagonal matrix with coefficients central idempotents of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$.

Lemma 5C.14. *The primitive central idempotents of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ are in bijection with the $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes -$ -orbits on $\text{Si}(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N))$.*

Proof. Since $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0$ is a braided fusion category, its complexified Grothendieck ring is commutative and semisimple. Then, the primitive central idempotents of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ are in bijection with the characters $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Given $L_{\mathbf{m}} \in \text{Si}(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N))$, the linear extension $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}$ of $[L_{\mathbf{k}}] \mapsto S_{\mathbf{m},\mathbf{k}}^{\cong \mathbb{I}} / \dim(L_{\mathbf{m}})$ is a character of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$, see [29, Proposition 8.13.11]. Since $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)$ is a modular category, it follows from [29, Theorem 8.20.7 and Corollary 8.20.11] that all this exhausts all characters $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and that $\chi_{\mathbf{m}} = \chi_{\mathbf{m}'}$ if and only if $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ and $L_{\mathbf{m}'}$ are in the same $(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0)'$ -module component. Here, $(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0)'$ denotes the centralizer of $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0$ in $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)$ as in [29, Section 8.20]. Using the tensor product rules in $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)$ (which can be obtained, for example, from Theorem 2E.10 (a)), one may easily show that $(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0)'$ is the fusion subcategory generated by $L_{e\omega_1}$, which implies that $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ and $L_{\mathbf{m}'}$ are in the same $(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0)'$ -module component if and only if $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ and $L_{\mathbf{m}'}$ are in the same orbit under $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes -$. \blacksquare

The idempotent of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\mathbf{q}}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ corresponding to the object $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ is then a scalar multiple of $R_{\mathbf{m}} = \sum_{X \in \text{Si}(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N))} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(X)[X^*]$. Let us denote by

$$R_{\mathbf{m},i} = \sum_{X \in \text{Si}(\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_i)} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(X)[X^*].$$

Then the idempotent $e_{\mathbf{m}}$ of $[\mathbf{Rep}_{\mathbf{q}}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)_0]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ corresponding to the object $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ is a scalar multiple of $R_{\mathbf{m},0}$. One can also check that $R_{\mathbf{m},0}[L_{\mathbf{k}}] = \chi_{\mathbf{m}}([L_{\mathbf{k}}])R_{\mathbf{m},-i}$ for $L_{\mathbf{k}}$ a simple object of color i .

Lemma 5C.15. *Let $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$. Define $A_{\mathbf{m}} = \{i \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \mid \exists L_{\mathbf{k}}, \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \neq 0 \text{ and } \chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = i\}$. Then $A_{\mathbf{m}}$ is a subgroup of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ and the diagonal matrix $E_{\mathbf{m},i+A_{\mathbf{m}}}$ supported by the right coset $i + A_{\mathbf{m}}$ with nonzero entries equal to $e_{\mathbf{m}}$ is a primitive central idempotent of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$.*

Proof. First, it is clear that $A_{\mathbf{m}}$ is an additive subgroup of $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$. One may easily show that each diagonal matrix supported by a right coset of $A_{\mathbf{m}}$ with nonzero entries equal to $e_{\mathbf{m}}$ is a central idempotent of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$.

Let f be a primitive central idempotent of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ and choose i such that the diagonal entry $f_{i,i}$ is nonzero. Since e is primitive, there exists \mathbf{m} such that $f_{i,i} = e_{\mathbf{m}}$. Suppose that there exists a simple object $L_{\mathbf{k}}$ of color j such that $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \neq 0$ and consider $x \in [\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$ whose only nonzero entry is at the position $(i, i+j)$ and is equal to $[L_{\mathbf{k}}]$. Then, since f is central, we obtain that $x_{i,i+j} f_{i+j,i+j} = f_{i,i} x_{i,i+j} = e_{\mathbf{m}}[L_{\mathbf{k}}]$ which is a scalar multiple of $R_{\mathbf{m},-j}$. Since $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \neq 0$, the element $R_{\mathbf{m},j}$ is nonzero as well as $x_{i,i+j} f_{i+j,i+j}$. In particular, the coefficient $f_{i+j,i+j}$ of f is nonzero and a scalar multiple of $R_{\mathbf{m},0}$. Therefore $f_{i+j,i+j} = e_{\mathbf{m}}$. We deduce that $f = E_{m,i+A_{\mathbf{m}}}$. ■

In the Artin–Wedderburn decomposition of $[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}}$, the idempotent $E_{m,i+A_{\mathbf{m}}}$ will contribute to a matrix algebra of size $|A_{\mathbf{m}}|$. Let $\text{Stab}_{\mathbf{m}}$ be the stabilizer subgroup of $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ under the action of $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes \dots$.

Lemma 5C.16. *Let $\mathbf{m} \in X^+(e)$ and $r \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$. Then $r \in \text{Stab}_{\mathbf{m}}$ if and only if $ri \equiv 0 \pmod N$ for all $i \in A_{\mathbf{m}}$.*

Proof. Using Lemma 2C.2, we have, for any $\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)$ and $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) &= \frac{\dim(L_{\mathbf{k}})}{\dim(L_{\mathbf{m}})} \chi_{\mathbf{k}}(L_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}) = \frac{\dim(L_{\mathbf{k}})}{\dim(L_{\mathbf{m}})} \chi_{\mathbf{k}}(L_{\mathbf{m}}) \chi_{\mathbf{k}}(L_{e\omega_r}) \\ &= \eta^{-2re\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})/N} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}). \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $r \in \text{Stab}_{\mathbf{m}}$ and let $i \in A_{\mathbf{m}}$. We then choose $\mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)$ such that $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = i$ and $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \neq 0$. By assumption, $\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r = \mathbf{m}$ and therefore we have $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = \chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = \eta^{-2re\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})/N} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}})$. As $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \neq 0$, we obtain that $r\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \equiv 0 \pmod N$.

Conversely, suppose that $ri \equiv 0 \pmod N$ for all $i \in A_{\mathbf{m}}$. Since $\mathbf{Rep}_{\eta}(\cong \mathbb{I}_N)$ is modular, $\chi_{\mathbf{m}} = \chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}$ implies that $L_{\mathbf{m}} \simeq L_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}$. Let $\mathbf{k} \in X^+(e)$. If $\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \notin A_{\mathbf{m}}$ then $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = 0$ and $\chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = \eta^{-2re\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})/N} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = 0$. Otherwise, $r\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}}) \equiv 0 \pmod N$ and we have $\chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = \eta^{-2re\chi_c(L_{\mathbf{k}})/N} \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}}) = \chi_{\mathbf{m}}(L_{\mathbf{k}})$. Therefore the characters $\chi_{\mathbf{m}}$ and $\chi_{\mathbf{m} \rightarrow r}$ coincide. ■

We hence deduce that $|A_{\mathbf{m}}|$ is equal to the cardinal of the orbit of $L_{\mathbf{m}}$ under $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes \dots$.

Lemma 5C.17. *We have*

$$[\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \bigoplus_{m|\gcd(M,N)} \text{Mat}_{N/m}(\mathbb{C})^{\oplus n_m},$$

$$[\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \bigoplus_{m|\gcd(M,N)} \text{Mat}_{N!/m}(\mathbb{C})^{\oplus n_m},$$

where $n_m = \frac{m^2}{M} \sum_{k|\gcd(N/m, M/m)} \mu(k) \binom{M/mk}{N/mk}$.

Proof. To obtain the Artin–Wedderburn decomposition of $\mathbf{a}_{M,M,N}$, it remains to compute the number of orbits of simple objects of $\mathbf{Rep}_\eta(\mathfrak{sl}_N)$ under $L_{e\omega_1} \otimes -$ of a given cardinality m , which is done similarly to Lemma 5C.2. Indeed, each such orbit gives rise to m idempotents with a matrix algebra of size N/m . The Artin–Wedderburn decomposition of $\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}$ follows from the definition of the big asymptotic category. ■

The next lemma studies the dimensions of the representations of the Calogero–Moser family \mathcal{F}_0 .

Lemma 5C.18. *The Calogero–Moser family \mathcal{F}_0 contains only representations of dimension $N!/m$ for every $m|\gcd(M, N)$. The number of representations of dimension $N!/m$ is n_m .*

Proof. Recall that in terms of M -partitions of N , the representations of \mathcal{F}_0 are indexed by orbits of multipartitions with entries equal to (1) or \emptyset under the action of $\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z}$ by cyclic shifting. Each orbit of size m parametrizes M/m representations of dimension $N!/m$.

To count the number of representations of a given dimension, one may proceed similarly to the proof of Theorem 4B.5 (a). ■

Therefore, combining Lemma 5C.17 and Lemma 5C.18, we obtain

$$[\mathbf{A}_{M,M,N}]_{\oplus}^{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \bigoplus_{m|\gcd(M,N)} \text{Mat}_{N!/m}(\mathbb{C})^{\oplus n_m} \simeq \bigoplus_{V \in \mathcal{F}_0} \text{Mat}_{\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(V)}(\mathbb{C}).$$

The proof is now complete. □

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