

Combinatorial Properties of the Temperley–Lieb Algebra of a Coxeter Group

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The main purpose of this work is to highlight the analogies between these polynomials.

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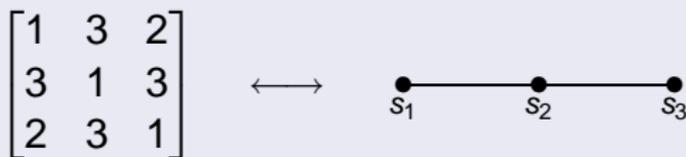
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A **Coxeter Graph** of a Coxeter system (W, S) is the graph whose node set is S and whose edges are the unordered pairs $\{s_i, s_j\}$ such that $m(i, j) \geq 3$. The edges $\{s_i, s_j\}$ such that $m(i, j) \geq 4$ are labelled by the number $m(i, j)$.

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The previous Coxeter matrix determines a group $W = W(A_3)$ generated by s_1 , s_2 , and s_3 subject to the relations $s_i^2 = e$ and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} s_1 s_2 s_1 = s_2 s_1 s_2, \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad m(1, 2) = 3 \\ s_3 s_2 s_3 = s_2 s_3 s_2, \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad m(2, 3) = 3 \\ s_1 s_3 = s_3 s_1 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad m(1, 3) = 2 \end{array} \right.$$

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Group isomorphism: $s_i \mapsto (i, i + 1)$. Hence, S_n is generated by s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n-1} such that $s_i^2 = e$ and subject to

$$\begin{cases} s_i s_j s_i = s_j s_i s_j & \text{if } |i - j| = 1 \\ s_i s_j = s_j s_i & \text{if } |i - j| \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Length Function and Bruhat order

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We may define a partial order relation \leq on $W(X)$, called the **Bruhat order** relation. The following is a characterization of the Bruhat order relation.

Theorem (Subword Property)

Let $x, w \in W(X)$ and let $s_1 s_2 \cdots s_q$ be a reduced expression of w . Then $x \leq w$ if and only if x admits a reduced expression of the form $s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_k}$ with $1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_k \leq q$. In this case we say that x is a subword of w .

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Theorem (S. C. Billey; W. Jockush; R. P. Stanley)

$$S_n(321) = W_c(A_{n-1}), \text{ for all } n \geq 2.$$

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To express $j(T_w)$ as a linear combination of elements in the standard basis, one defines the so-called R -polynomials.

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Let $\varepsilon_x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (-1)^{\ell(x)}$, for every $x \in W(X)$. There is a unique family of polynomials $\{R_{x,w}(q)\}_{x,w \in W(X)} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[q]$ such that

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J. J. Graham extended this definition to arbitrary Coxeter graphs and he showed that the *generalized Temperley–Lieb algebra* is finite dimensional when X is a finite irreducible Coxeter graph.

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Observe that this recursion is similar to the one for the parabolic Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials.

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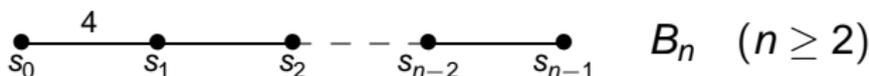
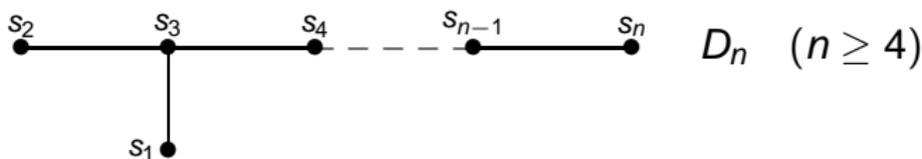
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where the sum is taken over all the chains

$x = x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_k = w$ such that $x_i \notin W_c(X)$ if $i > 0$, and $1 \leq k \leq \ell(x, w)$.

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The previous result can be conveniently generalized to arbitrary finite irreducible non-branching Coxeter graphs.

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where the sum runs over all the chains

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Let $x, w \in W_c(X)$ and $x \leq w$. Then $\deg(a_{x,w}(q)) = \ell(w) - \ell(x)$.

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Therefore we get $D_{s_1,w}(q) = D_{s_3,w}(q) = 2 - q$, $D_{s_1 s_3,w} = 3 - q$ and $D_{x,w}(q) = 1$ for the rest of the elements $x \leq w$.

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Proposition

The answer is affirmative for non-branching graphs, that is for types A , B , $I_2(m)$, F_4 , H_3 and H_4 , and negative for branching graphs, that is for types D , E_6 , E_7 and E_8 .

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On the other hand, when $w \notin W_c(X)$ we get $\sigma(C'_w) = 0$.
Therefore the expression highlighted in red is equal to 0.

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If $\ell(x, w) = 1$, then we get $D_{x,w}(q) = -P_{x,w}(q)$. If $\ell(x, w) > 1$, then

$$D_{x,w}(q) = -P_{x,w}(q) - \sum_{\substack{t \notin W_c(X) \\ x < t < w}} D_{x,t}(q) P_{t,w}(q)$$

and the statement follows by applying the induction hypothesis on $D_{x,t}(q)$.