

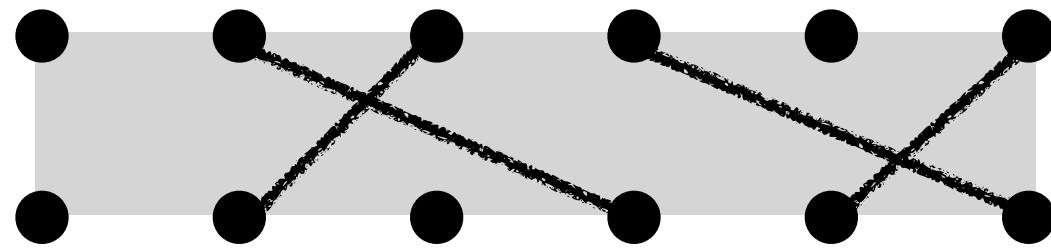
Characters of the rook monoid

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The rook monoid and representation theory

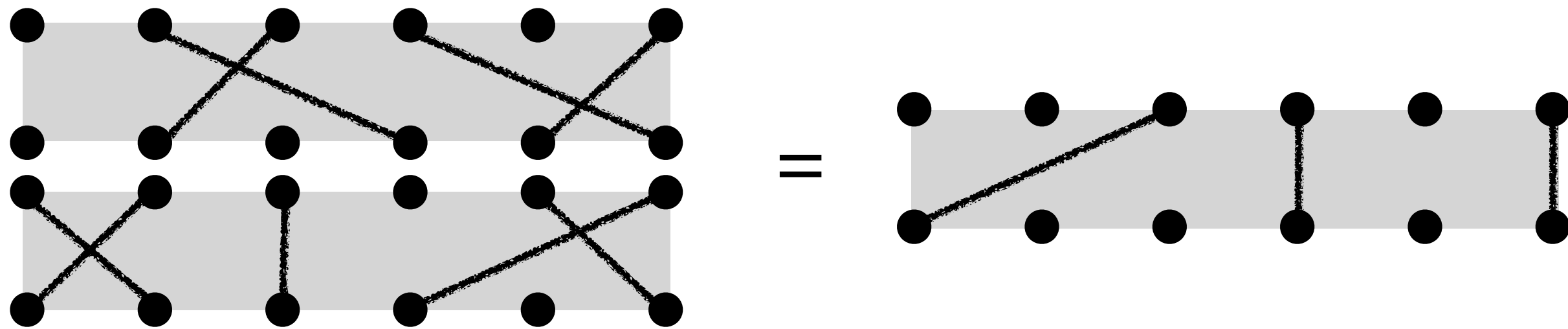
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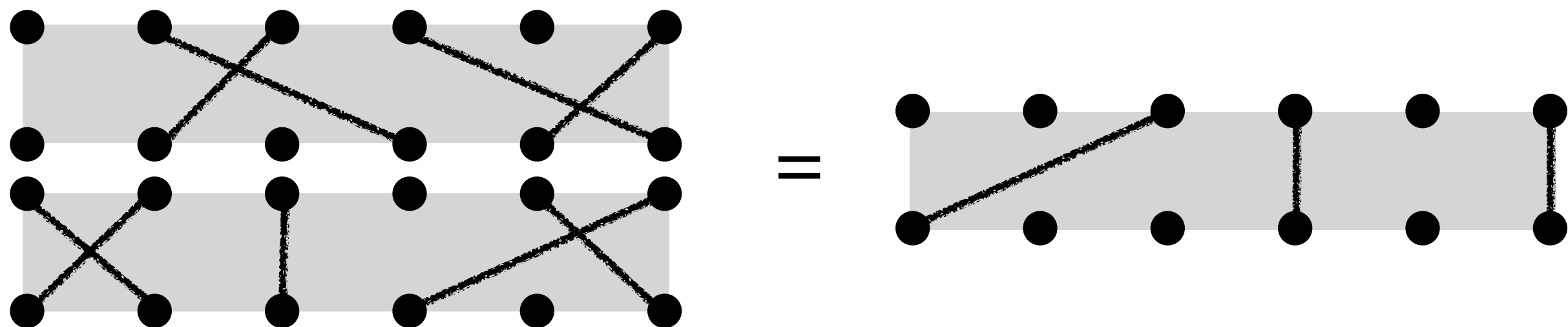
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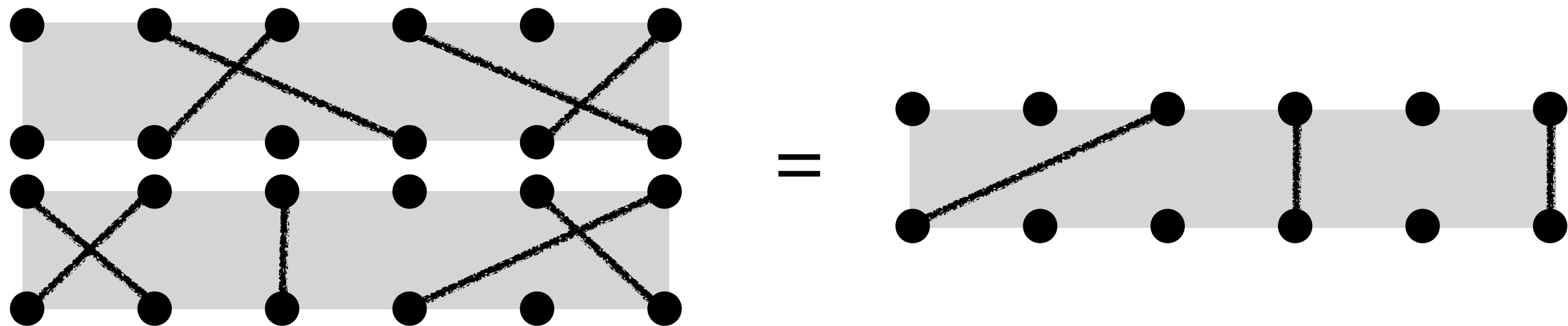
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$$\tilde{x}_{11} = e_2 = \frac{p_{11}}{2} - \frac{p_2}{2} = s_{11}$$

Classical application of symmetric functions to representation theory

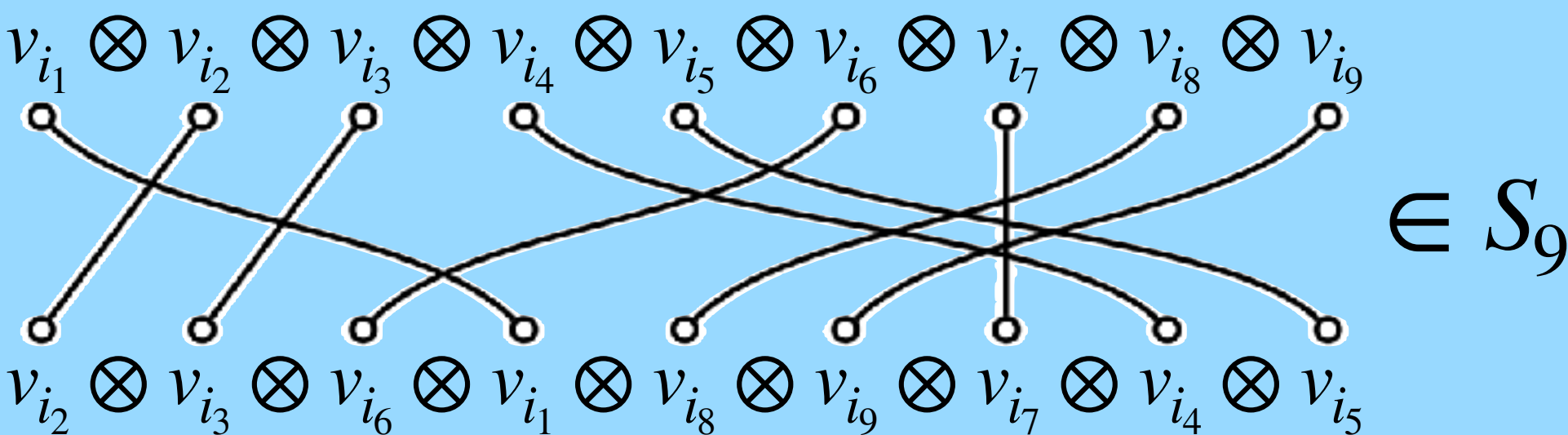
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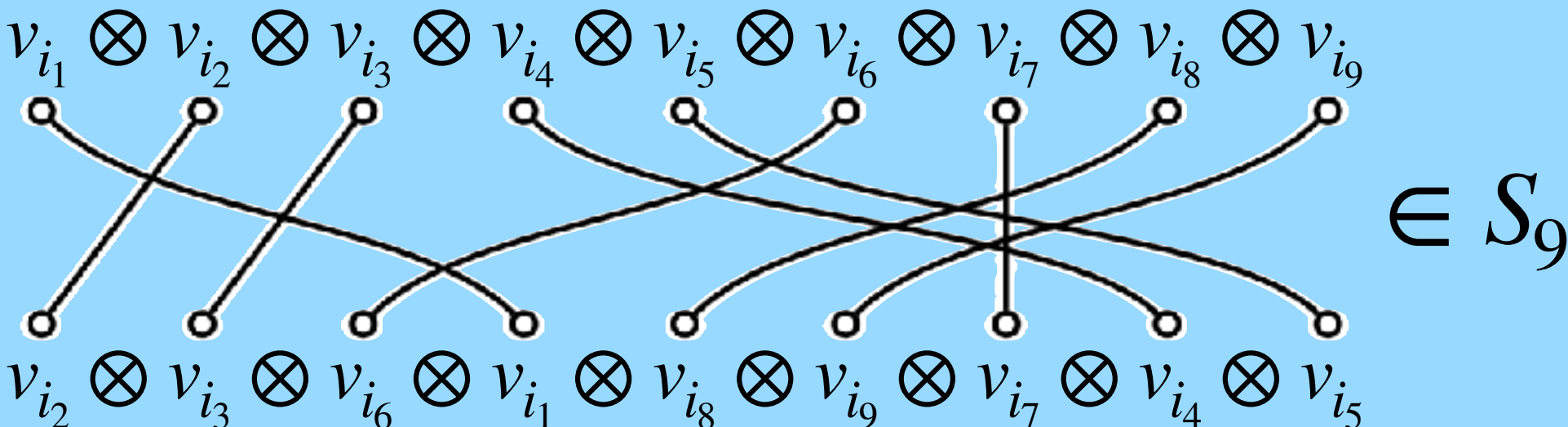
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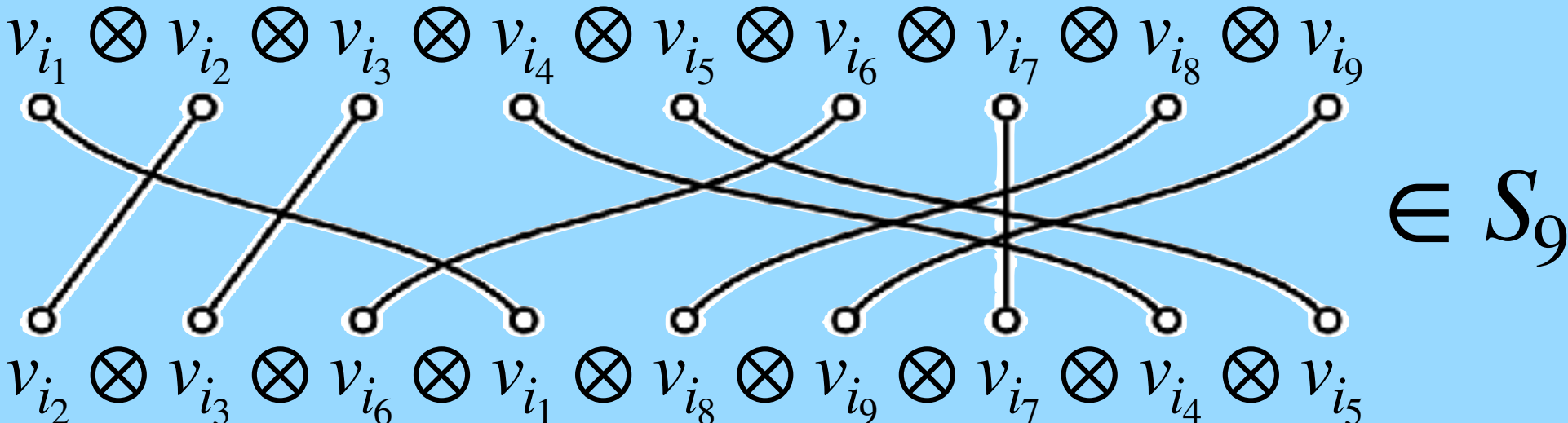
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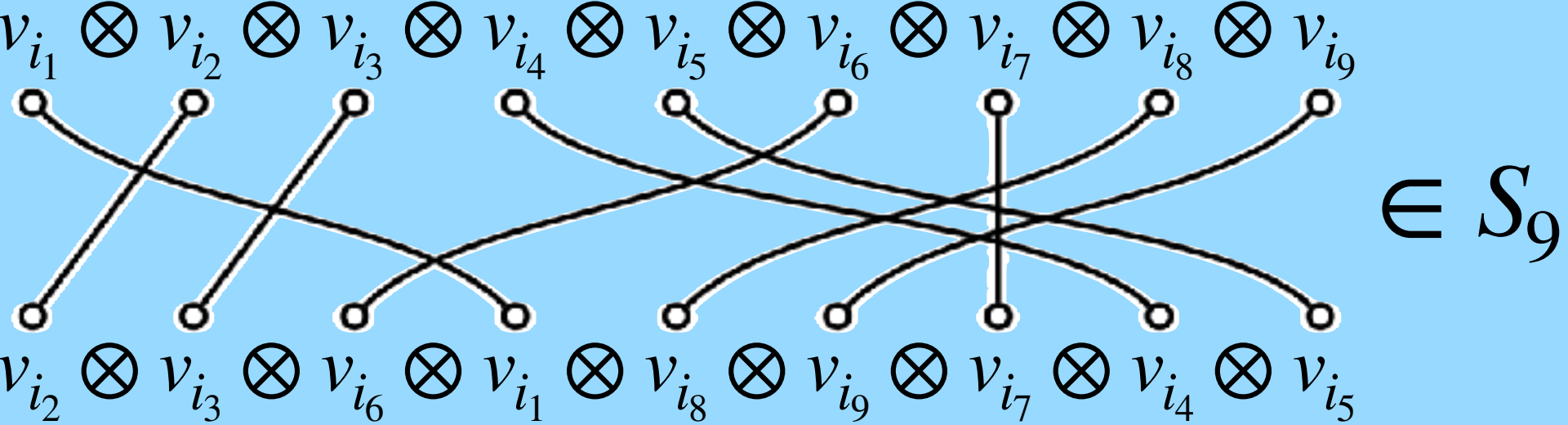
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Representation theory
Combinatorics
Symmetric functions

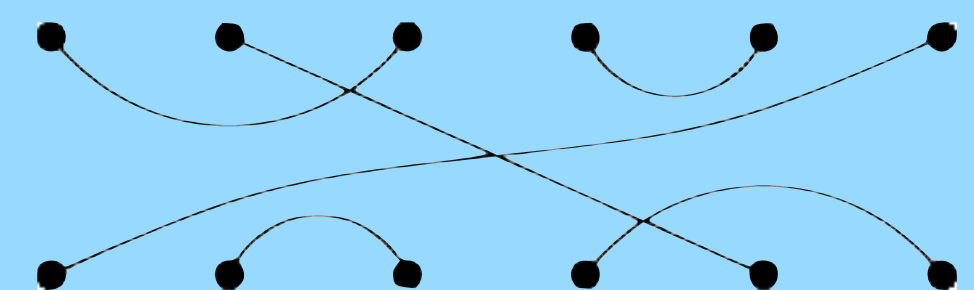
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Still classical, but less well known application of symmetric functions

$$O_n \text{ ————— } V_n^{\otimes k} \text{ ————— } \text{Brauer}_k(n)$$


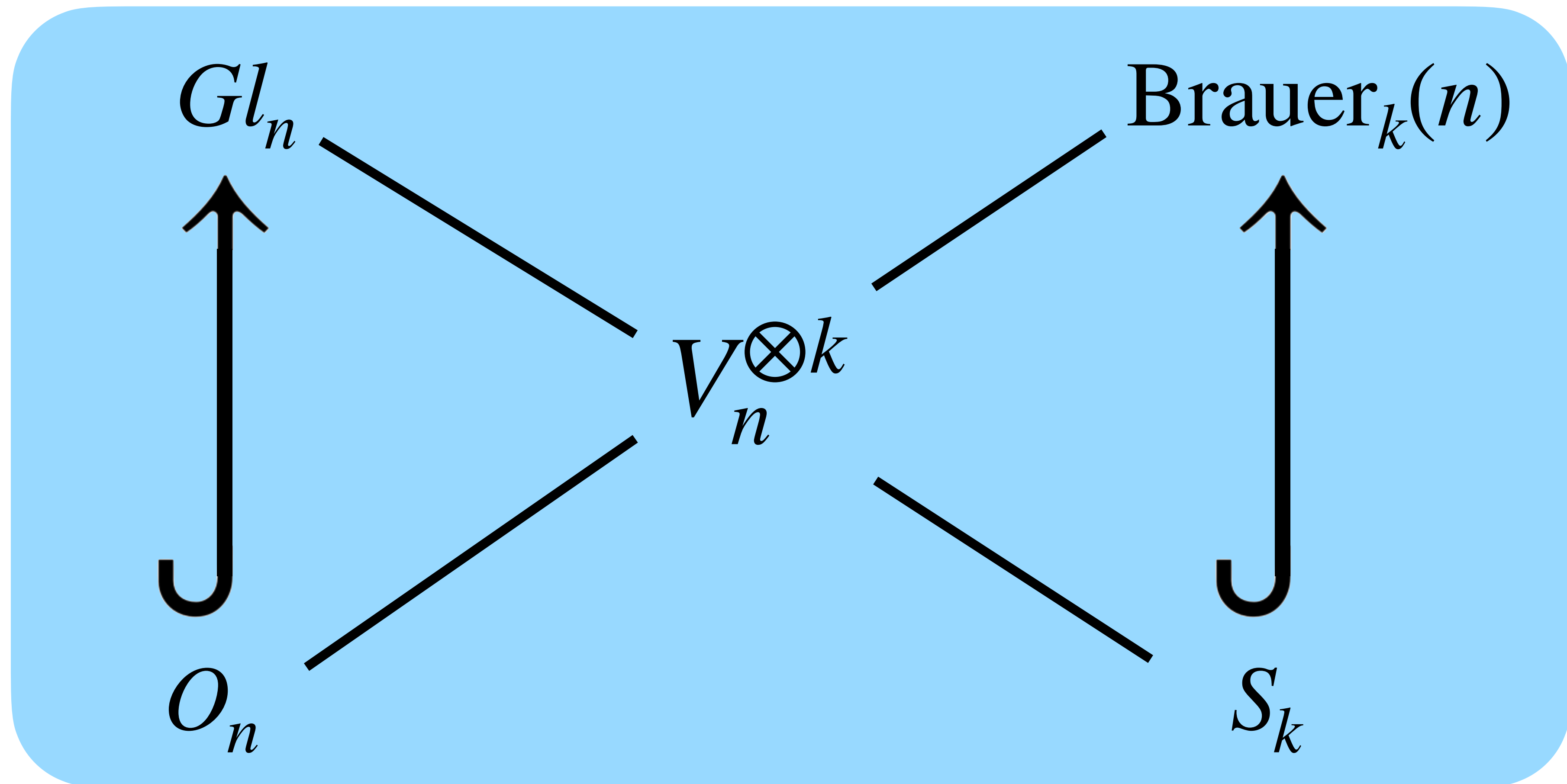
Schur-Weyl duality R. Brauer (1937)

Weyl character formula - characters of the irreducible O_n modules

Koike-Terada 1990's defined basis $o_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

Sundaram 1990's orthogonal tableaux models

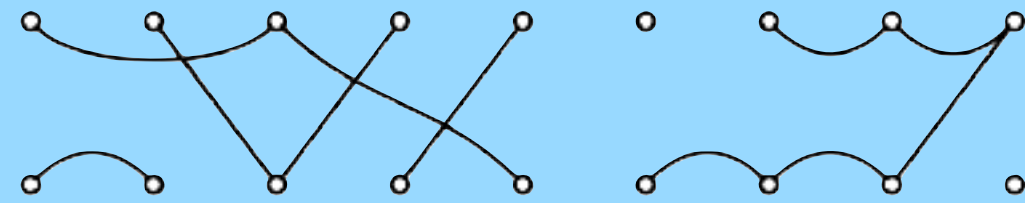
See-saw pair - restriction is the same on both sides



$$V_{Gl_n}^\lambda = \bigoplus_{\mu} (V_{O_n}^\mu)^{d_{\lambda\mu}}$$

$$W_{Brauer_k}^\mu = \bigoplus_{\lambda} (W_{S_k}^\lambda)^{d_{\lambda\mu}}$$

$$s_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\mu} d_{\lambda\mu} o_\mu(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$S_n \longrightarrow V_n^{\otimes k} \xrightarrow{\text{partition algebra}} P_k(n)$$


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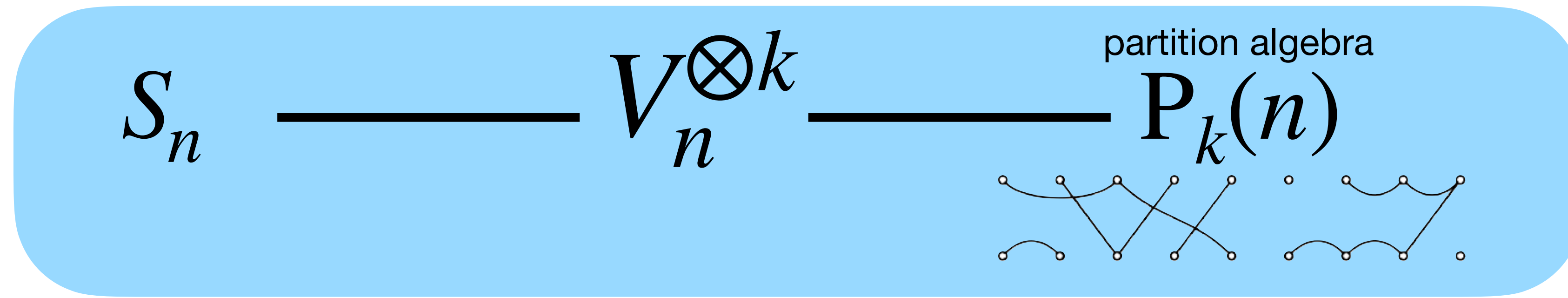
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much more to
understand here!

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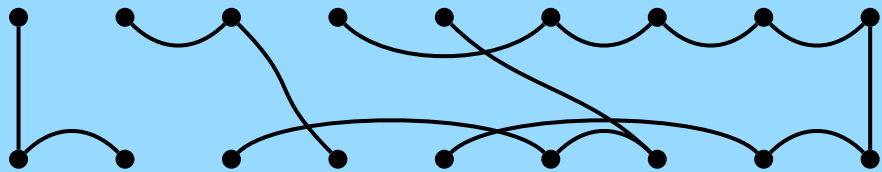
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propagating partition algebra



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Kudryavtseva, Ganna; Mazorchuk, Volodymyr (2008).
"Schur–Weyl dualities for symmetric inverse semigroups".

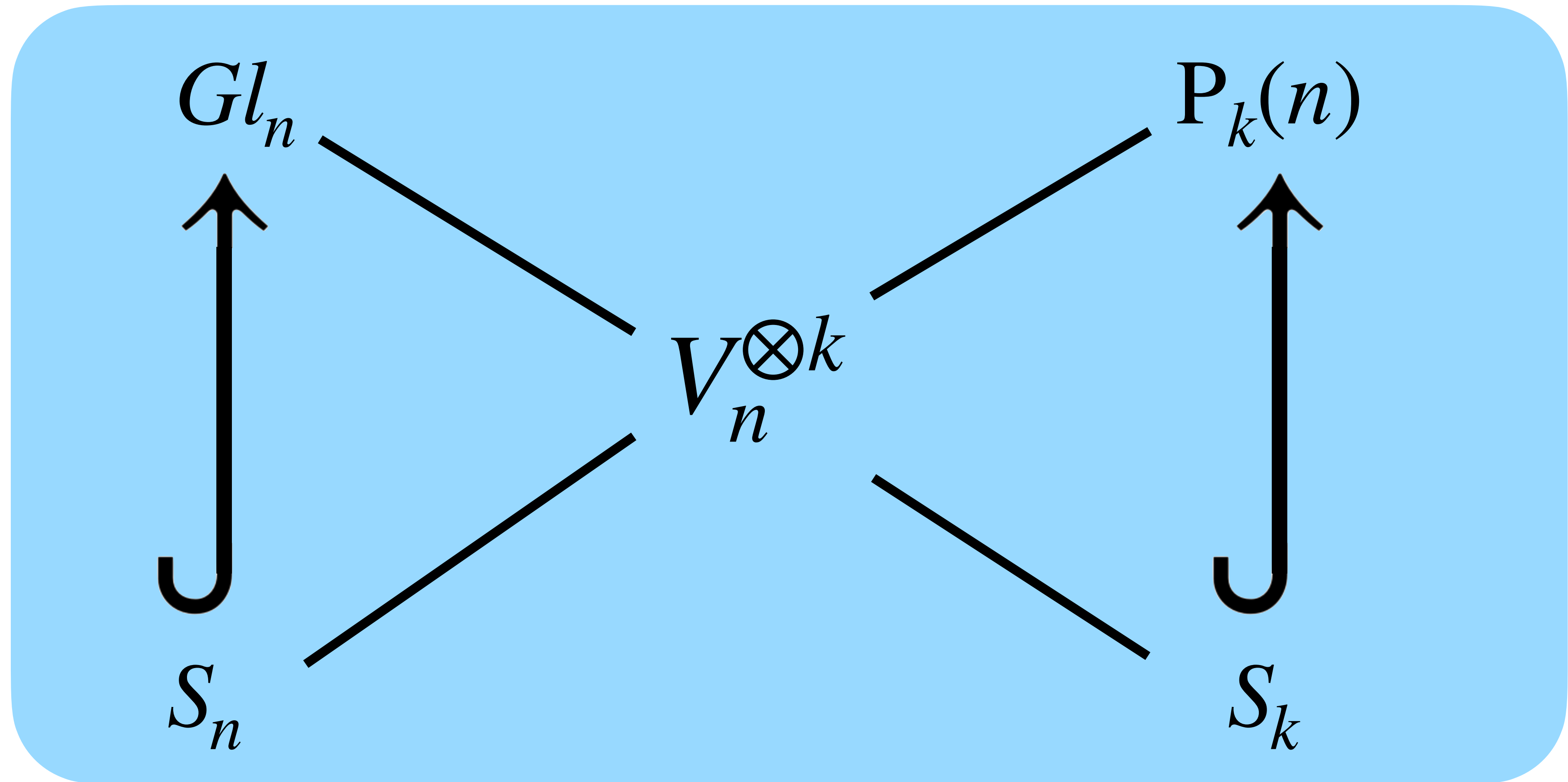
rook Kronecker

Mishra, Ashish; Srivastava, Shraddha (2021).
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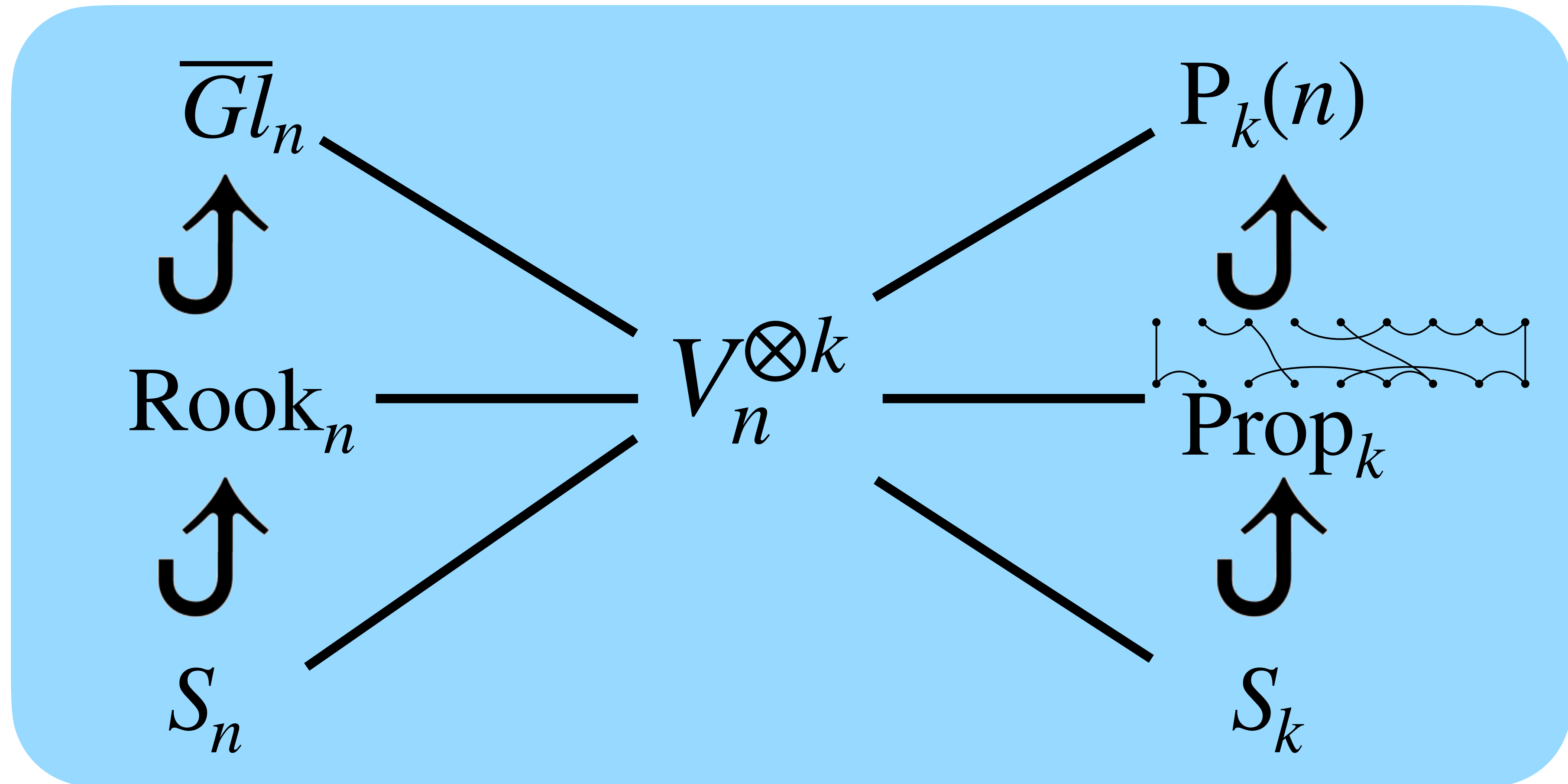
$$\tilde{x}_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\lambda/\mu \text{ is h-strip}} \tilde{s}_\mu(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

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Focus of this work: determine how $\tilde{x}_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ relates to this picture.

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Answer: $\tilde{x}_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ are the irreducible characters of the rook monoid (partial permutation matrices)

6 characterizations of the $\tilde{x}_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

one: power sum expansion

$$\tilde{x}_\lambda := \sum_{\gamma \vdash n} \chi_{S_n}^\lambda(\gamma) \frac{\bar{\mathbf{p}}_\gamma}{z_\gamma} \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\lambda := \prod_{i \geq 1} i^{m_i} \prod_{n=0}^{m_i-1} \left(\left(\frac{1}{i} \sum_{d|i} \boldsymbol{\mu}(i/d) p_d \right) - n \right)$$

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two: dual basis

The set $\{\tilde{x}_\lambda\}$ is the graded dual basis to $\{s_\lambda[\Omega - 1]\}$ with respect to the scalar product on symmetric functions.

$$\Omega = 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} h_n$$

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characters of rook monoid - Solomon (2002)

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six: transition coefficients from homogeneous basis count multiset tableaux

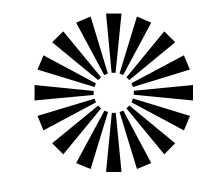
$$h_\mu = \sum_{\lambda} \mathcal{K}_{\lambda\mu} \tilde{x}_\lambda$$

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example with $\mu = (3, 2, 2)$ $\lambda = (2, 1)$

$\mathcal{K}_{\lambda\mu}$ is the number of multiset tableaux of shape λ and content μ

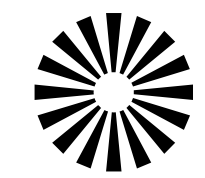
TODO:



monomial and Schur expansions of $\tilde{x}_\lambda$



structure coefficients of $\tilde{x}_\lambda \cdot \tilde{x}_\mu = \sum_{\gamma \vdash |\lambda| + |\mu|} c_{\lambda\mu}^\gamma \tilde{x}_\gamma + \cdots + \sum_{\gamma} g_{\gamma\lambda\mu} \tilde{x}_\gamma$



combinatorics of multiset tableaux
(e.g. crystals, notion of lattice, etc.)