# Lie representations of $G L(V)$ 

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## Outline

- Tensor representations of $G L(V)$
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- Klyachko's Theorem
- A combinatorial proof


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| Decomposition into irreducibles |  | Missing |
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| $L_{1} \cong[1]$ | - |  |
| $L_{2} \cong\left[1^{2}\right]$ | $[2]$ |  |
| $L_{3} \cong[2,1]$ | $[3],\left[1^{3}\right]$ |  |
| $L_{4} \cong[3,1] \oplus\left[2,1^{2}\right]$ | $[4],\left[2^{2}\right],\left[1^{4}\right]$ |  |
| $L_{5} \cong[4,1] \oplus[3,2] \oplus\left[3,1^{2}\right] \oplus\left[2^{2}, 1\right] \oplus\left[2,1^{3}\right]$ | $[5],\left[1^{5}\right]$ |  |
| $L_{6} \cong[5,1] \oplus[4,2] \oplus 2\left[4,1^{2}\right] \oplus\left[3^{2}\right] \oplus 3[3,2,1]$ | $[6],\left[2^{3}\right],\left[1^{6}\right]$ |  |
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It is difficult to see in general which modules actually occur in the decomposition of $L_{n}$, that is, for which $\lambda$ we have $I_{\lambda}>0$.

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In other words, almost every irreducible $G L(V)$ module occurs in the Lie representation.

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| $\mathrm{~m}+1$ | $\ldots$ | $\mathrm{~m}+\mathrm{s}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

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$$
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$$

| $T=$ | 1 | $\ldots$ |  | m |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | : |  |  | : |
|  | (i-1)m+1 |  |  | im |
|  | im+1 | im+2 |  | $(\mathrm{i}+1) \mathrm{m}+1$ |
|  | im+s+1 | $(i+1) \mathrm{m}+2$ | $\ldots$ | (i+2)m |
|  | ! |  |  | $\vdots$ |
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$-\operatorname{maj}(T)=\frac{m k(k-1)}{2}+i m+s+1$

- Show that one of these is coprime to $n$ (technical)


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