

Equations of loci in tables of commuting Jordan types

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- More Generally (Panyushev): Let G be a connected simple algebraic group and $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } G$. For a nilpotent $e \in \mathfrak{g}$, let $\mathcal{O} = G.e$ and define $Q(\mathcal{O})$ as the largest nilpotent orbit meeting the centraliser of e .

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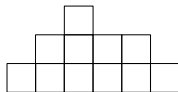
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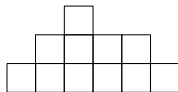
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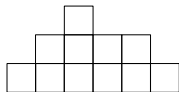
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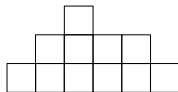
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Corollary.

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Poset \mathcal{D}_P

Let V be an n -dimensional k vectors space and $X \in \text{End}(V)$ be nilpotent of Jordan type $P \vdash n$. We define the poset \mathcal{D}_P as follows: ([Basili-Iarrobino-K, 10] inspired by P. Oblak's work)

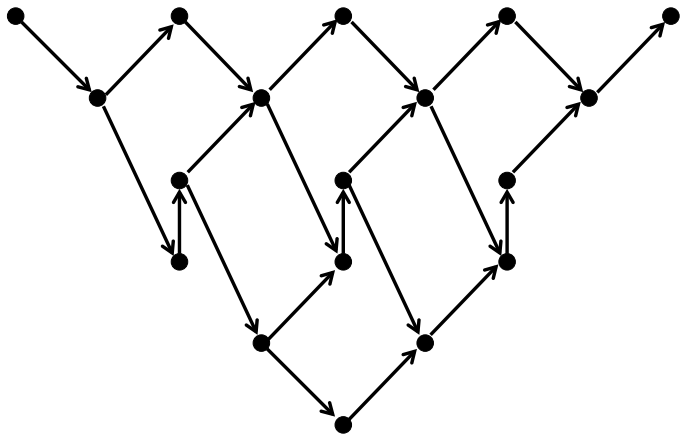
$\mathcal{D}_P =$ the basis of V in which X is given by J_P ;

$v' < v$ in $\mathcal{D}_P \iff \exists A \in \mathcal{U}_P$ such that $Av|_{v'} \neq 0$.

\mathcal{U}_P is a maximal nilpotent subalgebra of \mathcal{C}_P .

$\forall N \in \mathcal{N}_P, \exists C \in \mathcal{C}_P$ s.t. $CNC^{-1} \in \mathcal{U}_P$.

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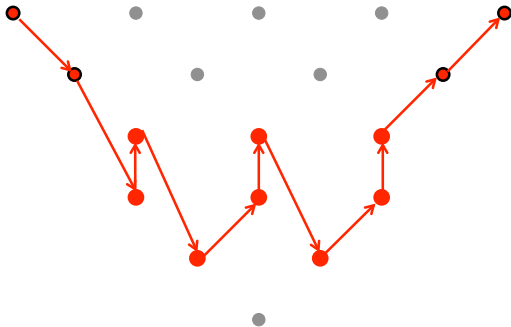
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$$\max\{an_a + (a + 1)n_{a+1} + 2 \sum_{p>a+1} n_p \mid a \geq 1\}.$$

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([K, '14]) Let $P = (p_s^{n_s}, \dots, p_1^{n_1})$ with $n_i > 0$. Then the smallest part of $Q(P)$, is $\mu(P)$ defined as follows.

If $p_{i+1} = p_i + 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$ (P is a “spread”), then

$$\mu(P) = \min\{p_1 n_{2i-1} + (p_1 + 1)n_{2j} \mid 1 \leq i \leq j \leq r(P)\}.$$

For an arbitrary P , write $P = (P_\ell, \dots, P_1)$ such that each P_k is a spread. Then $\mu(P) = \min\{\mu(\overline{P}_k) \mid 1 \leq k \leq r(P)\}$, where \overline{P}_k is

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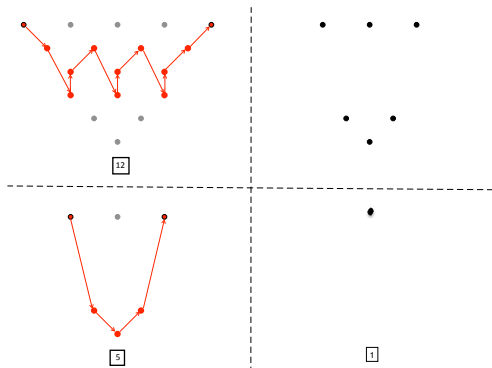
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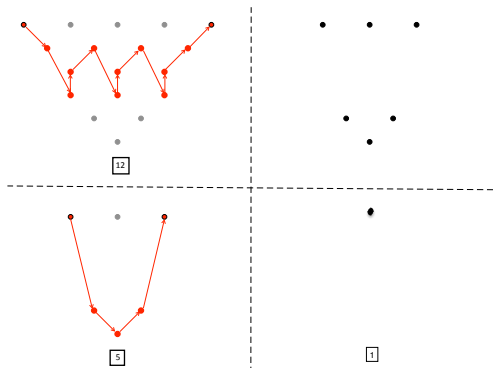
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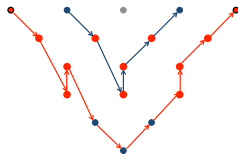
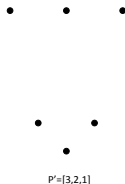
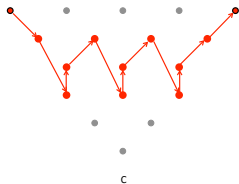
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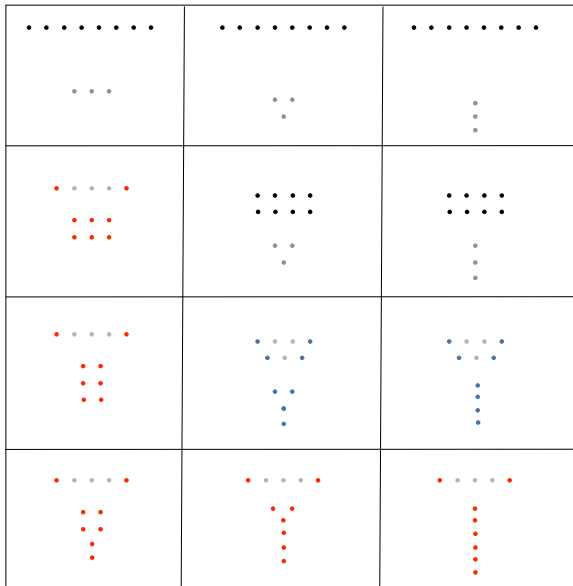
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For $Q = [n]$, $A \in \mathcal{U}_Q \Leftrightarrow$

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Matrices in $\mathcal{N}_{[n]}$ with partition $[n]^\ell$ are defined by

$$a_1 = \cdots = a_{\ell-1} = 0.$$

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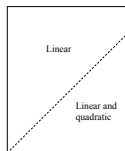
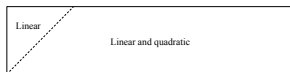
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Thank you!