

# A generic Atlas for Spetses ?

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
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
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
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
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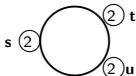
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
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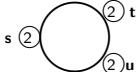
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- The Rouquier blocks of  $\zeta$ -cyclotomic Hecke algebras have been classified in all cases (Malle–Rouquier, B.–Kim, Chlouveraki).
- For  $\zeta = 1$  and  $W$  Coxeter group, Rouquier blocks are nothing but the characters associated with two sided cells (Kazhdan–Lusztig theory).



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$$\mathrm{Un}(\mathbb{G}, \zeta) = \bigsqcup_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathrm{Fam}(\mathbb{G})} (\mathcal{F} \cap \mathrm{Un}(\mathbb{G}, \zeta)),$$

with the following properties.

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All this makes us think of a kind of *modular datum*, and perhaps for the Spets of a kind of *triangulated modular tensor category* (?).

# The Fourier matrix for $G_4$

	01	02	12		01	34	04	25	13
	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
01	.	$\frac{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}}{2}$	$\frac{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}}{2}$	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	.	.	.	.	.
02	.	$\frac{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}}{2}$	$\frac{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	.	.	.	.	.
12	.	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	.	.	.	.	.
	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
01	.	.	.	.	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
34	.	.	.	.	$\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
04	.	.	.	.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	.	$-\frac{1}{2}$
25	.	.	.	.	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	.	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{-3}}$	.
13	.	.	.	.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	.	$\frac{1}{2}$





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Character	Degree	FakeDegree	Eigenvalue	Family
• $\phi_{1,0}$	• 1	1	1	$C_1$
$\phi_{2,1}$	$\frac{3-\sqrt{-3}}{6} q \Phi'_3 \Phi_4 \Phi''_6$	$q \Phi_4$	1	$X_{3.01}$
$\phi_{2,3}$	$\frac{3+\sqrt{-3}}{6} q \Phi''_3 \Phi_4 \Phi'_6$	$q^3 \Phi_4$	1	$X_{3.02}$
$Z_3 : 2$	$\frac{\sqrt{-3}}{3} q \Phi_1 \Phi_2 \Phi_4$	0	$\zeta_3^2$	$X_{3.12}$
• $\phi_{3,2}$	• $q^2 \Phi_3 \Phi_6$	$q^2 \Phi_3 \Phi_6$	1	$C_1$
$\phi_{1,4}$	$\frac{-\sqrt{-3}}{6} q^4 \Phi''_3 \Phi_4 \Phi''_6$	$q^4$	1	$X_{5.1}$
$\phi_{1,8}$	$\frac{\sqrt{-3}}{6} q^4 \Phi'_3 \Phi_4 \Phi'_6$	$q^8$	1	$X_{5.2}$
• $\phi_{2,5}$	• $\frac{1}{2} q^4 \Phi_2^2 \Phi_6$	$q^5 \Phi_4$	1	$X_{5.3}$
$Z_3 : 11$	$\frac{\sqrt{-3}}{3} q^4 \Phi_1 \Phi_2 \Phi_4$	0	$\zeta_3^2$	$X_{5.4}$
• $G_4$	• $\frac{1}{2} q^4 \Phi_1^2 \Phi_3$	0	-1	$X_{5.5}$

$\Phi'_3, \Phi''_3$  (resp.  $\Phi'_6, \Phi''_6$ ) are factors of  $\Phi_3$  (resp.  $\Phi_6$ ) in  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_3)$