

# ON THE STRUCTURE OF SIMPLE GENERIC $FI$ -MODULES IN POSITIVE CHARACTERISTIC

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ABSTRACT. We classify simple generic  $FI$ -modules in positive characteristic. We also give, in any characteristic  $p > 0$ , examples of simple generic  $FI$ -modules whose underlying representations are reducible in all sufficiently high degrees.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, an  $FI$ -module (also a  $KFI$ -module) is a functor from the category  $FI$  of finite sets and injections into  $K$ -modules for a field  $K$ .  $FI$ -modules were introduced by Church, Ellenberg, and Farb in [1], and have numerous applications in topology, algebra, and number theory. Stable phenomena of the representation theory of symmetric groups are encoded by the category of generic  $FI$ -modules, defined in a way to disregard elements which go to 0 in the representations of  $\Sigma_n$  for  $n \gg 0$ . This is analogous to the construction of the category of quasi-coherent sheaves from the category of graded modules over the projective coordinate ring of a projective scheme [14]. This analogy was in fact used by Sam and Snowden [13] to gain a good understanding of the category of generic  $FI$ -modules in characteristic 0. In particular, they identified all the simple objects of that category.

The case of characteristic  $p > 0$  is more complicated and a generalization of the work of [13] was not known. The objective of this paper is to characterize all simple generic  $FI$ -modules in characteristic  $p > 0$ , and also to answer a question of R.Nagpal [11] asking if the  $\Sigma_n$ -representation terms of such a module are irreducible for infinitely many  $n$ . We find counterexamples for all primes  $p$ .

To discuss our results more precisely, we need some notation. Let  $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$ . For an  $FI$ -module  $X$ , we will sometimes write  $X(N)$  instead of  $X([N])$ . For a given  $N$ , we identify a  $K\Sigma_N$ -module with the  $KFI$ -module equal to it in degree  $N$  and 0 in other degrees. An  $FI$ -module  $X$  is called *torsion* if each of the elements of every  $X(n)$

goes to  $0 \in X(m)$  for some  $m \gg 0$ . Torsion  $(K)FI$ -modules form a Serre subcategory of the category of  $(K)FI$ -modules, and taking the Serre quotient by them gives the category of *generic*  $(K)FI$ -modules (see [4] for the details of this construction).

One might ask what the simple objects of the category of generic  $(K)FI$ -modules are. This is known when  $K$  is a field of characteristic 0. In [13], Sam and Snowden proved, using the Schur-Weyl correspondence, that when  $\text{char}(K) = 0$ , simple generic  $KFI$ -modules are exactly the “Spechtral”  $FI$ -modules for Young diagrams  $\lambda$ , which consist of Specht modules (i.e., the irreducible  $\Sigma_n$ -representation in characteristic 0) corresponding to the Young diagrams given by adding a new first row to  $\lambda$ . However, in characteristic  $p > 0$ , Spechtral modules are not necessarily generically simple, and simple generic  $KFI$ -modules are not necessarily Spechtral.

In this paper, we classify simple generic  $KFI$ -modules in characteristic  $p > 0$  into an explicitly constructed family, indexed by  $p$ -regular Young diagrams. We also use our construction to give examples of simple generic  $KFI$ -modules  $X$  in all characteristics  $p > 0$  such that  $X(N)$  is a reducible  $K\Sigma_N$ -module for all but finitely many  $N$ .

We define two functors

$$\Psi' : FI\text{-Mod} \rightarrow FI\text{-Mod}$$

$$\Phi' : FI\text{-Mod} \rightarrow FI\text{-Mod}$$

by

$$(1) \quad \Psi'(M_\bullet) : [N] \mapsto \text{Hom}_{FI\text{-Mod}}(K\text{Map}_{FI}([\bullet], [N])^\vee, M_\bullet)$$

$$(2) \quad \Phi'(M_\bullet) : [N] \mapsto K\text{Map}_{FI}([N], [\bullet])^\vee \otimes_{FI\text{-Mod}} M_\bullet$$

for an  $FI$ -module  $M_\bullet$ . By definition,  $\Phi'$  is left adjoint to  $\Psi'$ . It is also easy to see that applying  $\Phi'$  to a torsion  $FI$ -module gives 0 and that applying  $\Phi'$  to any  $FI$ -module gives a torsion  $FI$ -module.

Let  $KGFI\text{-Mod}$  denote the category of generic finitely generated  $KFI$ -modules and let  $KTFI\text{-Mod}$  denote the full subcategory of  $KFI$ -modules on finitely generated torsion  $KFI$ -modules. Then  $\Phi', \Psi'$  induce a pair of functors

$$\Phi : KGFI\text{-Mod} \rightarrow KTFI\text{-Mod}$$

$$\Psi : KTFI\text{-Mod} \rightarrow KGFI\text{-Mod}$$

where  $\Phi$  is left adjoint to  $\Psi$ .

In characteristic 0, by Schur-Weyl correspondence, the functors  $\Psi$ ,  $\Phi$  coincide with the functors of the same names in [13], where they are proved to be inverse equivalences of categories. This is false in characteristic  $p > 0$ . An easy argument is given in the beginning of Section 2.

To state our main results, we need some additional notation. A *Young diagram* is a  $k$ -tuple  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$  where  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k$  are positive integers (this can be visualized as a diagram of boxes with  $k$  rows and  $\lambda_i$  boxes in the  $i$ -th row). For a Young diagram  $\lambda$ , let  $|\lambda|$  denote the number of its boxes (i.e.  $|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_k$ ). Let  $S_\lambda$  denote the Specht module corresponding to a Young diagram  $\lambda$ . As a general reference for Specht modules, we recommend [6]. We denote by  $M_\lambda$  the *Spechtral FI-module* consisting of the Specht modules of the Young diagrams obtained by adding a row to the top of  $\lambda$  at each degree  $\geq |\lambda| + \lambda_1$ . A detailed construction of Spechtral modules independent of characteristic is given in [10].

A Young diagram  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$  is called  $p$ -regular if at most  $p-1$  of the numbers  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  are equal to any given number  $i$ . Recall that the set of Young diagrams with  $\ell$  boxes has a natural ordering called *dominance* given by saying, for two partitions  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$ ,  $\nu = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_m)$  of  $\ell$ ,  $\mu \supseteq \nu$  when

$$\mu_1 + \dots + \mu_k \geq \nu_1 + \dots + \nu_k$$

for all  $k \geq 1$ . In this note, we will also call a Young diagram  $\mu$  *strictly dominant* over  $\nu$  (write  $\mu \triangleright \nu$ ) if we have  $\mu \supseteq \nu$  and  $\mu \neq \nu$ .

For every  $p$ -regular Young diagram  $\lambda$ ,  $S_\lambda$  has a unique quotient  $D_\lambda$  which is a simple  $K\Sigma_{|\lambda|}$ -module. These form a complete set of representatives of isomorphism classes of simple  $K\Sigma_{|\lambda|}$ -modules. Moreover, for a  $p$ -regular Young diagram  $\lambda$ , all the other constituent factors of  $S_\lambda$  are  $D_\mu$  with  $\mu \triangleright \lambda$  ([6], Section 12).

Our main general result is the following

**Theorem 1.** *For every  $p$ -regular Young diagram  $\lambda$ , there exists a non-zero morphism of  $KFI$ -modules*

$$\iota_\lambda : M_\lambda \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda)$$

*such that  $\text{Im}(\iota_\lambda)$  is a simple object in the category  $KGFI\text{-Mod}$  of generic finitely generated  $KFI$ -modules. Additionally, every simple generic finitely generated  $KFI$ -module is isomorphic to  $\text{Im}(\iota_\lambda)$  for a unique  $p$ -regular Young diagram  $\lambda$ .*

Interesting examples can be constructed using this Theorem. R. Nagpal asked whether every simple generic  $FI$ -modules consists of simple  $K\Sigma_n$ -modules in infinitely many degrees  $n$ . This turns out to be false.

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose  $K$  is a field of characteristic  $p > 0$ .*

(1) *If  $p = 2$ , then for every  $N \gg 0$ , the  $\Sigma_N$ -representation*

$$(Im(\iota_{(3,1)}))(N)$$

*is reducible.*

(2) *If  $p > 2$ , then for every  $N \gg 0$ , the  $\Sigma_N$ -representation*

$$(Im(\iota_{(p,2)}))(N)$$

*is reducible.*

We will prove Theorem 1 in Section 2. The proof of Theorem 2 requires different approaches depending on whether  $p = 2$  or  $p > 2$ . The case of  $p = 2$  is treated in Section 3, and the case of  $p > 2$  is treated in Section 4. In both cases of the proof of Theorem 2, we will see several interesting examples of the behavior of the functor  $\Psi$ .

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## 2. PROOF OF THEOREM 1

We begin with a closer discussion of the functors  $\Phi$ ,  $\Psi$ . First, let us give an easy argument why in characteristic  $p > 0$ , they are not inverse equivalences of categories.

Consider the principal injective torsion  $KFI$ -module  $K\Sigma_0$  (meaning  $K = K\Sigma_0$  in degree  $N = 0$  and 0 elsewhere). If  $\Psi$  were an equivalence of categories,  $\Psi(K\Sigma_0)$  (which is the  $FI$ -module  $M_\emptyset$ , i.e., equal to  $K$  in every degree  $N \geq 0$  where the structure maps are isomorphisms) would have to be an injective generic  $KFI$ -module. However, this is proved to be false in [5] (Section 3.2).

The authors of [5] consider the  $FI$ -module  $A$  where

$$A_n = \mathbb{F}_p(\Sigma_n / (\Sigma_p \times \Sigma_{n-p})).$$

Then we have a diagram

$$(3) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\subseteq} & \mathbb{F}_p \text{Map}_{FI}([p], [\bullet]) \\ \downarrow & & \\ M_\emptyset & & \end{array}$$

where the top row inclusion is by corestriction and the vertical arrow is by augmentation (since  $A_n$  is a permutation representation). They remark that the inclusion of  $M_\emptyset$  into the pushout of (3) does not generically split, since any map of  $\mathbb{F}_p \Sigma_N$ -modules

$$\mathbb{F}_p \text{Map}_{FI}([p], [N]) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/p$$

is 0 on  $A$ . In fact, it is proved in [12], Theorem 4.20 that the category  $KGFI\text{-Mod}$  does not have any non-trivial injectives.

Now let us describe  $\Phi, \Psi$  more explicitly. (We shall drop the notation  $\Phi', \Psi'$ , since from the point of view of an explicit description, they are the same.) By (2), we have, for an  $FI$ -module  $X$ ,

$$(4) \quad \Phi(X)(m) = \text{Hom}_{FI\text{-Mod}}(X(n), K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n]))^\vee$$

(where  $n$  ranges over all natural numbers  $\geq m$ ). Now note that we also can consider  $K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n])$  (as an  $K\Sigma_n$ -module) as the induction from  $K(\Sigma_{n-m} \times \Sigma_m)$  into  $K\Sigma_n$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n]) &= \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_m}(K\Sigma_n/\Sigma_{n-m}, K\Sigma_m) = (K\Sigma_n/\Sigma_{n-m})^\vee \\ &\cong K\Sigma_n/\Sigma_{n-m}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_n}(X(n), K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n])) &= \\ \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_n}(X(n), \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_n}(K\Sigma_n/\Sigma_{n-m}, K)) &= \\ (X(n) \otimes_{\Sigma_n} K\Sigma_n/\Sigma_{n-m})^\vee &= ((X(n))_{\Sigma_{n-m}})^\vee, \end{aligned}$$

where the subscript in the last term denotes cofixed points. By (2), an element of  $(\Phi(X)(m))^\vee$  corresponds to a system of elements

$$f_n \in \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_n}(X(n), K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n]))$$

such that for  $n, n-k \geq m + \lambda_1$ , the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X(n) & \xrightarrow{f_n} & K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n]) \\ \uparrow & \nearrow h_{n, n-k} & \uparrow \\ X(n-k) & \xrightarrow{f_{n-k}} & K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n-k]) \end{array}$$

commutes. We denote the two equal compositions by

$$h_{n,n-k} \in \text{Hom}_{\Sigma_{n-k}}(X(n-k), K\text{Map}_{FI}([m], [n])).$$

Then, by (5),  $(\Phi(X)(m))^\vee$  is equivalent to the limit of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} ((X(n))_{\Sigma_{n-m}})^\vee & & ((X(n-k))_{\Sigma_{n-k-m}})^\vee \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & ((\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_n}^{\Sigma_{n-k} \times \Sigma_k} X(n-k))_{\Sigma_{n-m}})^\vee & \end{array}$$

for  $n, n-k \geq m$ . That is dual to the diagram

$$(6) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} (X(n))_{\Sigma_{n-m}} & & (X(n-k))_{\Sigma_{n-k-m}} \\ & \swarrow \phi_+ & \searrow \phi_- \\ & (\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_n}^{\Sigma_{n-k} \times \Sigma_k} X(n-k))_{\Sigma_{n-m}} & \end{array}$$

where  $\phi_+$  is given by taking  $\Sigma_{n-m}$ -cofixed points of the natural

$$\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_n}^{\Sigma_{n-k} \times \Sigma_k} X(n-k) \rightarrow X(n).$$

The map  $\phi_-$  is defined to be the composition

$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_n}^{\Sigma_{n-k} \times \Sigma_k} (X(n-k)))_{\Sigma_{n-m}} \\ \downarrow \\ (\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_n}^{\Sigma_{n-k} \times \Sigma_k} (X(n-k)))_{\Sigma_k \times \Sigma_{n-k-m}} \\ \downarrow \\ (X(n-k))_{\Sigma_{n-k-m}} \end{array}$$

where the top map is taking corestriction (i.e. summing over coset representatives of  $\Sigma_{n-m}/\Sigma_k \times \Sigma_{n-m-k}$ ), and the lower map is the counit of adjunction of the induction as a right adjoint to cofixed points, followed by  $\Sigma_{n-k-m}$ -cofixed points.

Dually, we have, by the definition (1),

$$\Psi(X)(N) = \text{Hom}_{FI\text{-Mod}}(K\text{Map}_{FI}([n], [N])^\vee, X(n)).$$

Again, this corresponds to systems of maps  $f^\ell$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (K\Sigma_N/\Sigma_{N-\ell+k})^\vee & \xrightarrow{f^{\ell-k}} & X(\ell-k) \\ \downarrow & \searrow h^{\ell-k, \ell} & \downarrow \\ (K\Sigma_N/\Sigma_{N-\ell})^\vee & \xrightarrow{f^\ell} & X(\ell) \end{array}$$

commutes where we denote the two equal compositions by  $h^{\ell-k, \ell}$ . Since each  $K\Sigma_N/\Sigma_{N-\ell}$  is self-dual, we have

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\Sigma_\ell}((K\Sigma_N/\Sigma_{N-\ell})^\vee, X(\ell)) = \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}}(X(\ell)).$$

Hence,  $\Psi(X)(N)$  is the limit of the diagram

$$(7) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_{N-\ell+k}}(X(\ell-k)) & & \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}}(X(\ell)) \\ & \searrow \psi^+ \quad \swarrow \psi^- & \\ & \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_{N-\ell+k}}((X(\ell))^{\Sigma_k}) & \end{array}$$

where the map  $\psi^+$  is given by applying  $\mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_{N-\ell+k}}$  to the natural map

$$X(\ell-k) \rightarrow (X(\ell))^{\Sigma_k}.$$

The map  $\psi^-$  is defined as the composition

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}}(X(\ell)) \\ \downarrow \\ \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}}(\mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_\ell}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_k}(X(\ell)^{\Sigma_{\ell-k}})) \\ \downarrow \\ \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_{N-\ell+k}}(X(\ell)^{\Sigma_{\ell-k}}) \end{array}$$

where the top map is given by induction applied to the unit of adjunction of fixed points as a right adjoint to induction, and the lower map, noting that

$$\mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}} \circ \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_\ell}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_k} = \mathrm{Ind}_{\Sigma_N}^{\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_k \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}},$$

is given by corestriction (i.e. summing over coset representatives of

$$(\Sigma_\ell \times \Sigma_{N-\ell})/(\Sigma_{\ell-k} \times \Sigma_k \times \Sigma_{N-\ell}).$$

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$  be a  $p$ -regular Young diagram and let  $N \geq |\lambda| + \lambda_1$ . Define

$$\lambda_N^+ = (N - |\lambda|, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k).$$

We will sometimes omit  $N$  when it is implicit.

Our main technical tool is the following

**Lemma 3.** *Suppose  $\lambda$  is a  $p$ -regular Young diagram,  $N > |\lambda| + \lambda_1$ .*

(A)  $\Psi(D_\lambda)(N)$  has a unique constituent factor  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$ .

(B) Let  $X$  be a finitely generated FI-module. Suppose there exists a generic surjection  $M_\lambda \twoheadrightarrow X$ . Then there exists a surjection

$$(8) \quad \Phi(X) \twoheadrightarrow D_\lambda.$$

Additionally, the map

$$(9) \quad X \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda)$$

adjoint to (8) sends the constituent factor  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$  to itself by an isomorphism.

*Proof.* By [8], Theorem 1, the induction to  $N \gg 0$  of  $D_\lambda$  contains  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$  as a unique constituent factor, and all other constituent factors are of the form  $D_\mu$  for  $\mu \triangleright \lambda_N^+$ . Additionally,  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$  is not a constituent factor in the induction of any  $\Sigma_n$ -module with  $n < |\lambda|$ . By the above description of the functor  $\Psi$ , this implies (A).

Also by [8], Theorem 1, for every  $N$ , the cofixed point  $K\Sigma_{|\lambda|}$ -module

$$(10) \quad (D_{\lambda_N^+})_{\Sigma_{N-|\lambda|}}$$

is  $D_\lambda$  and the cofixed point module of  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$  under  $\Sigma_{N-i}$  with  $i < |\lambda|$  is 0 (since  $D_\lambda$  occurs at the “top branching level” of  $L(\lambda_N^+)$ ). Thus, by the above description,  $D_\lambda$  is by definition a quotient of the module of generators of  $\Phi(X)$ . Additionally, the assumption guarantees that these generators are not killed by the relations (again by [8], Theorem 1, since, if  $\mu_N^+ \triangleright \lambda_N^+$ , then  $\mu \triangleright \lambda$  or  $|\mu| < |\lambda|$ ). This implies the first statement of (B).

For the last statement, we also observe that by [8], Theorem 1, we cannot have  $\lambda_N^+ = \mu_N^+$  for  $|\mu| < |\lambda|$  and thus, by our above description of  $\Psi$ ,  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$  is a constituent factor of  $\Psi(D_\lambda)(N)$ . Additionally, all other constituent factors of  $\Psi(D_\lambda)(N)$  are  $D_\mu$  for  $\mu \triangleright \lambda_N^+$ . Moreover, our construction of (8) from (10) implies that the adjoint (9) defines an isomorphism on the constituent factors  $D_{\lambda_N^+}$ . □

Now, by this Lemma, for a  $p$ -regular Young diagram  $\lambda$ , we have a natural (non-zero) surjection

$$\beta_\lambda : \Phi(M_\lambda) \rightarrow D_\lambda.$$

Then since  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are adjoint, we obtain a non-zero map

$$\iota_\lambda : M_\lambda \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda).$$



*Proof of Theorem 1.* To prove the first statement of Theorem 1, we need to show that the image  $Im(\iota_\lambda)$  is a irreducible generic  $KFI$ -module. Suppose there exists some non-zero  $FI$ -module  $E$  with a surjection

$$(11) \quad Im(\iota_\lambda) \twoheadrightarrow E.$$

First, composing with the natural surjection

$$M_\lambda \twoheadrightarrow Im(\iota_\lambda)$$

gives a surjection

$$M_\lambda \twoheadrightarrow E.$$

Hence, at each  $FI$ -degree  $N$ , we have a surjection

$$E(N) \twoheadrightarrow D_{\lambda_N^+}.$$

Then, by Lemma 3, we obtain a non-zero surjection

$$\Phi(E) \twoheadrightarrow D_\lambda.$$

Thus, the adjunction between  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  gives a non-zero map

$$(12) \quad E \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda).$$

On the other hand, we also have a natural injection

$$Im(\iota_\lambda) \hookrightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda),$$

which factors through (12), giving a commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Im(\iota_\lambda) & \longrightarrow & E \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & \Psi(D_\lambda). \end{array}$$

(since the diagram commutes on the adjoint level). Thus, (11) must also be injective and hence, an isomorphism. Thus,  $Im(\iota_\lambda)$  is irreducible.

We shall now prove that every simple generic finitely generated  $FI$ -modules  $E$  is isomorphic to  $Im(\iota_\lambda)$  for some  $\lambda$ .

Let  $D_\mu$  be the bottom factor of some  $E(n)$ . By the Noetherian property, we may assume that  $D_\mu$  is non-torsion and hence without loss of generality, it generates  $E(n)$ . Thus, by the Pieri rule applied to  $S_\mu$ , which surjects onto  $D_\mu$ , we have  $M_\nu \twoheadrightarrow E$  for some Young diagram  $\nu$  (not necessarily  $p$ -regular). However, by James [7], Theorem A, all constituent factors  $D_\rho$  of  $M_\mu(m)$  (and hence  $E(m)$ ) have  $\rho \supseteq (\nu_m^+)^r$  (where the superscript  $r$  denotes the Young diagram obtained by shifting the boxes as far as possible along each ladder). Also, for

$m \gg 0$ ,  $(\nu_m^+)^r = (\nu^r)_m^+$ . Therefore, if we denote  $\rho = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_k)$ ,  $\bar{\rho} = (\rho_2, \dots, \rho_k)$ , the number  $|\bar{\rho}| = \rho_2 + \dots + \rho_k$  is bounded above by a number  $B$  (independent of  $m$ ).

Now without loss of generality,  $E(m)$  generates  $E$  for every  $m$ . Then  $\Phi(E)(N)$  is the colimit of the sequence

$$(13) \quad \Phi(E)(N) = \operatorname{colim}(\dots \twoheadrightarrow E(m)_{\Sigma_{m-N}} \twoheadrightarrow E(m+1)_{\Sigma_{m+1-N}} \twoheadrightarrow \dots).$$

Let  $D_{\mu_m}$  be a top factor of  $E(m)$ . Then by [8], Theorem 1,  $D_{\bar{\mu}_m}$  is a top factor of  $E(m)_{\Sigma_{m-N}}$ . However, by the upper bound on the total number of boxes  $|\bar{\mu}_m|$ , the Young diagrams  $\bar{\mu}_m = \lambda$  coincide for infinitely many values of  $m$ . We see from (13) that for  $N = |\bar{\mu}_m|$ ,  $\Phi(E)(N)$  has top factor  $D_\lambda$ .

Thus, we have a morphism of  $FI$ -modules

$$\Phi(E) \twoheadrightarrow D_\lambda.$$

Now consider the non-zero adjoint morphism

$$(14) \quad E \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda),$$

which is therefore (generically) injective, since  $E$  was assumed to be simple. By Lemma 3, for infinitely many  $n$ , the top constituent factor

$$D_{\mu_n} = D_{\lambda_n^+}$$

survives in the image of (14) (meaning that it will be present in the image of  $E_n$  divided by the image of  $\operatorname{Ker}(E_n \rightarrow D_{\lambda_n^+})$ ). Therefore, the image of (14) cannot have 0 intersection with the image of

$$M_\lambda \rightarrow \Psi(D_\lambda)$$

(whose constituent factors are strictly dominant to  $\lambda_n^+$  for all  $n$ ). Thus, by the Schur lemma,

$$E \cong \operatorname{Im}(\iota_\lambda).$$

To show that  $\operatorname{Im}(\iota_\lambda) \not\cong \operatorname{Im}(\iota_\mu)$  for two different  $p$ -regular Young diagrams  $\lambda, \mu$ , we note that  $\lambda_N^+, \mu_N^+$  are both  $p$ -regular for  $N \gg 0$  and the surjection

$$M_\lambda \twoheadrightarrow \operatorname{Im}(\iota_\lambda)$$

gives a surjection

$$S_{\lambda_N^+} \twoheadrightarrow \operatorname{Im}(\iota_\lambda)(N)$$

thus giving a surjection

$$\operatorname{Im}(\iota_\lambda)_N \twoheadrightarrow D_{\lambda_N^+}.$$

However, there is no surjection  $S_{\lambda_N^+} \twoheadrightarrow D_{\mu_N^+}$  for  $\mu \neq \lambda$   $p$ -regular,  $N > |\lambda| + \lambda_1, |\mu| + \mu_1$ .

□

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREM 2 AT $p = 2$

First, note that we have a short exact sequence

$$(15) \quad 0 \rightarrow S_{(4)} \rightarrow S_{(3,1)} \rightarrow D_{(3,1)} \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus,

$$\dim(D_{(3,1)}) = \dim(S_{(3,1)}) - \dim(S_{(4)}) = 3 - 1 = 2,$$

which is also the dimension of  $S_{(2,2)}$ . Since, at  $p = 2$ , we have

$$(3, 1) = (2, 2)^r$$

(where  $\lambda^r$  denotes the Young diagram obtained from shifting the boxes of  $\lambda$  as high as possible along each ladder (see [7]),  $D_{(3,1)}$  is a constituent factor of  $S_{(2,2)}$  (by [7], Theorem A). Thus,

$$D_{(3,1)} = S_{(2,2)}.$$

By Lemma 3, we have a natural surjection

$$\Phi(M_{(3,1)}) \twoheadrightarrow D_{(3,1)} = S_{(2,2)}.$$

Now we claim the following

**Proposition 4.** *There is a short exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow M_{(2,2)} \rightarrow \Psi(D_{(3,1)}) \rightarrow M_{(2)} \rightarrow 0.$$

First, note that by the Pieri rule, the restriction of the  $K\Sigma_4$ -module  $D_{(3,1)} = S_{(2,2)}$  to  $\Sigma_3$  is the Specht module  $S_{(2,1)}$  (since the only removable box in  $(2, 2)$  is the bottom right corner). We thus obtain that the induction of  $S_{(2,1)}$  has constituent factors

$$(16) \quad D_{(3,1)}, D_{(4)}, D_{(3,1)}, D_{(4)}, D_{(3,1)},$$

listed from top to bottom (i.e., with the piece that can be considered as a quotient listed first, and the piece that can be considered a submodule listed last).

**Lemma 5.** *The unit of adjunction*

$$S_{(2,2)} \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{\Sigma_4}^{\Sigma_3}(S_{(2,2)}|_{\Sigma_3})$$

*maps  $S_{(2,2)}$  isomorphically to the bottom  $D_{(3,1)}$  piece (16) (coming from  $S_{(2,1,1)}$ ).*

*Proof.* We can identify the non-zero elements of  $S_{(2,2)}$  with 4-cycle subgraphs of the complete graph on vertices  $[4] = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . On the other hand,  $S_{(2,1)}$  can be identified with the submodule of  $K^{[3]}$  consisting of vectors whose coordinates have sum 0. Thus,  $Ind_{\Sigma_4}^{\Sigma_3}(S_{(2,1)})$  is a submodule of  $Ind_{\Sigma_4}^{\Sigma_3}(K^{[3]})$ , which is identified with  $\text{Map}_{FI}([3], [4])$  (where by our convention, the image of 1 is the new coordinate and the image of 2 comes from the coordinate in  $[3]$ ). We encode an injective map  $[2] \rightarrow [4]$  by a 4-tuple where we write  $i$  for the image of  $i = 1, 2$ , and 0's in the remaining places. Under these conventions, our unit of adjunction maps

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} S_{(2,1)} \ni \{1, 2\} + \{2, 3\} + \{3, 4\} + \{4, 1\} \mapsto \\ (2, 0, 0, 1) + (0, 0, 1, 2) + (1, 0, 0, 2) + \\ + (0, 1, 2, 0) + (0, 0, 2, 1) + (0, 2, 1, 0) + \\ + (1, 2, 0, 0) + (2, 1, 0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, in this notation, the generators of the Specht module  $S_{(2,1,1)} \subseteq \text{Map}_{FI}([2], [4])$  can be identified with, choosing  $i \in [4]$ , the sum  $q_i$  of the six 4-tuples which are non-zero on  $i$ . We then see that (17) lies in this submodule, and namely, is equal to  $q_1 + q_3$ .

The images under the unit of adjunction of other elements of  $S_{(2,2)}$  then also lie in the submodule

$$S_{(2,1,1)} \subseteq Ind_{\Sigma_4}^{\Sigma_3}(S_{(2,1)}).$$

□

*Proof of Proposition 4.* Now for induction from  $S_{(2,2)}$  to a degree  $N \gg 0$ , the Pieri rule gives pieces (from top to bottom)

$$S_{(N-2,2)}, S_{(N-3,2,1)}, S_{(N-4,2,2)}.$$

The middle summand is eliminated by the above observation using the description of the functor  $\Psi$  in the beginning of Section 2 as the limit of the Diagram (7). Thus, we get generically

$$0 \rightarrow M_{(2,2)} \rightarrow \Psi(D_{(3,1)}) \rightarrow M_{(2)} \rightarrow 0.$$

□

Now any map of  $FI$ -modules

$$M_{(3,1)} \rightarrow M_{(2)}$$

is 0, since the map is necessarily 0 in degree 7 (since the composition factors of  $S_{(3,3,1)}$  are  $D_{(7)}$  and  $D_{(4,2,1)}$ , while  $S_{(5,2)}$  is irreducible. Hence, the map  $\iota_{(3,1)}$  factors through

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & & M_{(3,1)} & \\ & & \swarrow \kappa & \downarrow \iota_{(3,1)} & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & M_{(2,2)} & \longrightarrow & \Psi(S_{(2,2)}) \end{array}$$

for some map

$$\kappa : M_{(3,1)} \rightarrow M_{(2,2)}.$$

At an  $FI$ -degree  $N$ , denote the cokernel

$$C = \text{Coker}(\kappa).$$

We claim the following

**Lemma 6.** *In degrees  $\gg 0$ , generically,*

$$C = M_\emptyset.$$

To prove this Lemma, we will need calculations of  $\Psi(S_{(4)})$  and  $\Psi(S_{(3,1)})$ , which we make in the following propositions:

**Proposition 7.** *Generically, there is a short exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow M_4 \rightarrow \Psi(S_{(4)}) \rightarrow M_\emptyset \rightarrow 0.$$

*Proof.* First, the restriction of the Specht module  $S_{(4)}$  to  $\Sigma_3$  is exactly the Specht module  $S_{(3)}$ , whose induction to  $\Sigma_4$  has pieces (listed from top to bottom)  $S_{(4)}$ ,  $S_{(3,1)}$ . The unit of adjunction (between restriction and induction) sends  $S_{(4)}$  monomorphically to the lowest piece.

Now the induction of  $S_{(4)}$  to  $N \geq 8$  has pieces (listed from top to bottom)

$$S_{(N)}, S_{(N-1,1)}, S_{(N-2,2)}, S_{(N-3,3)}, S_{(N-4,4)}.$$

The above observation, along with our description of the functor  $\Psi$ , eliminates all but the first and last piece. Thus, we get generically

$$0 \rightarrow M_4 \rightarrow \Psi(S_{(4)}) \rightarrow M_\emptyset \rightarrow 0.$$

□

**Proposition 8.** *We have*

$$\Psi(S_{(3,1)}) = M_{(3,1)}.$$

*Proof.* First, note that the restriction of the Specht module  $S_{(3,1)}$  to  $\Sigma_3$  has pieces  $S_{(3)}$ ,  $S_{(2,1)}$ . The induction back to  $\Sigma_4$  of the first piece is  $S_{(3,1)}$ , to which the bottom piece  $D_{(4)}$  of  $S_{(3,1)}$  injects by the unit of adjunction. The piece  $S_{(2,1)}$  inducts to  $S_{(3,1)}$  and  $S_{(2,1,1)}$ , to which the top piece  $S_{(2,2)}$  of  $S_{(3,1)}$  injects.

Now the induction of  $S_{(3,1)}$  to  $N \geq 8$  has pieces

$$S_{(N-1,1)}, S_{(N-2,2)}, S_{(N-2,1,1)}, S_{(N-3,3)}, S_{(N-3,2,1)}, S_{(N-4,3,1)}.$$

The first, second, and fourth piece are eliminated by the first part of the unit of adjunction (to the induction of  $S_{(3)}$ ) and the third and fourth pieces are eliminated by the second part of the unit of adjunction (to the induction of  $S_{(2,1,1)}$ ), similarly as in the proofs of Proposition 4 and Proposition 7. Thus,

$$\Psi(S_{(3,1)}) = M_{(3,1)}.$$

□

*Proof of Lemma 6.* Recall again the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow S_{(4)} \rightarrow S_{(3,1)} \rightarrow S_{(2,2)} \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\Psi$  is right adjoint to  $\Phi$ , it is left exact, so we obtain

$$0 \longrightarrow \Psi(S_{(4)}) \longrightarrow \Psi(S_{(3,1)}) \xrightarrow{\rho} \Psi(S_{(2,2)}).$$

Then  $\rho$  factors through  $\kappa$  (since by above,  $\Psi(S_{(3,1)}) = M_{(3,1)}$ ).

Thus, at every  $FI$ -degree  $N \gg 0$ , the dimension of  $C(N)$  equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \dim(M_{(2,2)}(N)) - \dim(M_{(3,1)}(N)) + \dim(\Psi(S_{(4)})(N)) = \\ &= \dim(M_{(2,2)}(N)) - \dim(M_{(3,1)}(N)) + \dim(M_{\emptyset}(N)) + \dim(M_{(4)}(N)) = \\ &= \dim(M_{\emptyset}(N)) = \dim(S_{(N)}) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

(since, by the hook length formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(S_{(k,3,1)}) &= \frac{(k+4)(k+3)(k+1)(k-2)}{8} \\ \dim(S_{(k,4)}) &= \frac{(k+4)(k+3)(k+2)(k-3)}{24} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\dim(S_{(k,3,1)}) - \dim(S_{(k,4)}) = \frac{(k+4)(k+3)k(k-1)}{12} = \dim(S_{(k,2,2)}).$$

Hence,  $C(N)$  is a  $K\Sigma_N$ -module with dimension 1. Thus, for every  $N$ ,  $C(N) = S_{(N)}$ , proving that, as  $FI$ -modules,

$$C = M_\emptyset.$$

□

Finally, to prove Theorem 2, we let  $R_\lambda = K\Sigma_{\text{row}}^\lambda$  where  $\Sigma_{\text{row}}^\lambda$  is the subgroup of  $\Sigma_{|\lambda|}$  of permutations preserving the rows of a Young diagram  $\lambda$ .

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Suppose  $N \geq 8$  is odd. We consider the morphism

$$(18) \quad \theta_{T_1} : R_{(N-3,2,1)} \rightarrow R_{(N-4,2,2)}$$

of [6] given by the tableau  $T_1$  with rows

3	3	2	1	...	1
2	1				
1					

We calculate that, using the notation of [6],

$$N_{1,1}(T_1) = N - 6, \quad N_{2,1}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{3,1}(T_1) = 2,$$

$$N_{1,2}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{2,2}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{3,2}(T_1) = 0,$$

$$N_{1,3}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{2,3}(T_1) = 0, \quad N_{3,3}(T_1) = 0,$$

and thus  $T_1$  satisfies the condition of Theorem 24.6, (ii), [6] (since  $N$  is assumed to be odd). Hence, by Theorem 24.6, (ii), [6], the restriction of  $\theta_{T_1}$  is a non-zero homomorphism

$$\theta_{T_1}|_{S_{(N-3,2,1)}} : S_{(N-3,2,1)} \rightarrow S_{(N-4,2,2)}.$$

Since  $T_1$  is reverse semistandard, by the proof of Theorem 24.6,

$$\text{Im}(\theta_{T_1}|_{S_{(N-3,2,1)}}) \subseteq S_{(N-4,2,2)}$$

contains the constituent factor  $D_{(N-3,2,1)}$ . Therefore, this constituent factors must be present in  $\text{Im}(\iota_{(3,1)})(N) \cong \text{Im}(\kappa)(N)$ , which is therefore not simple, since it also contains the constituent factor  $D_{(N-4,3,1)}$ .

Suppose  $N \geq 8$  is even. We consider the morphism

$$(19) \quad \theta_{T_2} : R_{(N-2,1,1)} \rightarrow R_{(N-4,2,2)}$$

given by the tableau  $T_2$  with rows

3	3	2	1	...	1
2					
1					

We calculate, using the notation of [6],

$$N_{1,1}(T_1) = N - 5, \quad N_{2,1}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{3,1}(T_1) = 2,$$

$$N_{1,2}(T_1) = 0, \quad N_{2,2}(T_1) = 2, \quad N_{3,2}(T_1) = 0,$$

$$N_{1,3}(T_1) = 1, \quad N_{2,3}(T_1) = 0, \quad N_{3,3}(T_1) = 0,$$

and thus, again,  $T_2$  satisfies the condition of Theorem 24.6, (ii), [6] (since  $N$  is assumed to be even). Hence, the restriction of  $\theta_{T_2}$  is a non-zero homomorphism

$$\theta_{T_2}|_{S_{(N-2,1,1)}} : S_{(N-2,1,1)} \rightarrow S_{(N-4,2,2)}.$$

Now all constituent factors of  $S_{(N-2,1,1)}$  are of the form  $D_\lambda$  where  $\lambda \triangleright (N-2,1,1)$  (by Theorem 12.1 of [6]). Then  $\theta_{T_2}|_{S_{(N-2,1,1)}}$  must be non-zero on at least one such  $D_\lambda$ , and therefore  $D_\lambda$  must be a constituent factor of  $\text{Im}(\theta_{T_2}|_{S_{(N-2,1,1)}}) \subseteq S_{(N-4,2,2)}$ . Hence, this  $D_\lambda$  is also a constituent factor of  $\text{Im}(\iota_{(3,1)}) \cong \text{Im}(\kappa)$ . By Theorem 24.4 of [6],  $\lambda \neq (N)$ . In addition, since  $\lambda \triangleright (N-2,1,1)$ , we also have  $\lambda \neq (N-4,3,1)$ . Therefore, since  $\text{Im}(\iota_{(3,1)})(N) \cong \text{Im}(\kappa)(N)$  also contains the constituent factor  $D_{(N-4,3,1)}$ , it can not be simple.  $\square$

#### 4. PROOF OF THEOREM 2 AT $p > 2$

Suppose  $p > 2$ . First, we have the following

**Proposition 9.** *There is a short exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow S_{(p+1,1)} \rightarrow S_{(p,2)} \rightarrow D_{(p,2)} \rightarrow 0.$$



*Proof.* First note that since  $(p, 2)$  contains a bad box (see [2, 3]),  $S_{(p,2)}$  must be reducible. It therefore contains a submodule of the form  $D_\lambda$  where  $\lambda \triangleright (p, 2)$ . The only options for  $\lambda$  are  $(p+1, 1)$  and  $(p+2)$ . By [6], Theorem 24.4,  $D_{(p+2)} = S_{(p+2)}$  is not a submodule of  $S_{(p,2)}$  since  $p$  is not  $-1 \pmod p$ . Thus,  $D_{(p+1,1)} = S_{(p+1,1)}$  (the equality holds since  $(p+1, 1)$  has no bad boxes) is a submodule of  $S_{(p,2)}$ .

To prove the Proposition, by [6], Section 11, it suffices to show

$$(20) \quad S_{(p,2)}^\perp \cap S_{(p,2)} = S_{(p+1,1)},$$

where  $S_{(p,2)}^\perp$  is the orthogonal complement of  $S_{(p,2)}$  in  $R_{(p,2)}$  (the standard permutation module basis of  $R_{(p,2)}$  is orthonormal). By the above discussion, we already know  $S_{(p,2)}^\perp \cap S_{(p,2)} \supseteq S_{(p+1,1)}$  in (20).

To prove the other inclusion in (20), first, by the hook formula, we have

$$\dim(S_{(p,2)}) = \frac{(p+2)!}{(p+1)p(p-2)!2} = \frac{(p+2)(p-1)}{2},$$

and we also have

$$\dim(R_{(p,2)}) = \frac{(p+2)!}{p!2} = \frac{(p+2)(p+1)}{2}.$$

So

$$(21) \quad \dim(R_{(p,2)}) - \dim(S_{(p,2)}) = \frac{2(p+2)}{2} = p+2.$$

Let

$$V_n = K\Sigma_n / \Sigma_{n-1} = R_{(n-1,1)}.$$

Then we have a homomorphism

$$\psi_{1,1} : R_{(p,2)} \rightarrow V_{p+2}$$

and  $S_{(p,2)} \subseteq \ker(\psi_{1,1})$  (by [6], Corollary 17.18), where  $\psi_{1,1}$  is defined as a sum of standard basis elements obtained by moving one box from the second row to the first row. In fact, in this case  $\psi_{1,1}$  is surjective since its image contains sums of every pair of standard basis elements in  $V_{p+2}$  and  $p > 2$ .

Thus, since  $\dim(V_{p+2}) = p+2$ , by (21), we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow S_{(p,2)} \longrightarrow R_{(p,2)} \xrightarrow{\psi_{1,1}} V_{p+2} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Hence,  $S_{(p,2)}^\perp \cong V_{p+2}$ , and in particular,

$$S_{(p,2)}^\perp \cap S_{(p,2)} \leq p+2.$$

To prove (20), since we already know the  $\supseteq$ -inclusion, it suffices to show

$$S_{(p,2)}^\perp \cap S_{(p,2)} \leq p+1 = \dim(S_{(p+1,1)}).$$

To this end, it suffices to find an element in  $S_{(p,2)}^\perp \setminus S_{(p,2)}$ . Consider the map

$$R_{(p,2)} \rightarrow K,$$

given by sending a basis element to  $1 \in K$  if it has a 2 in a given position and to  $0 \in K$  else. This is equivalent to taking the dot product with the sum  $v$  of such basis elements, of which there are  $p+1$ . Thus, the dot product of the element  $v$  with itself is  $p+1$  which is non-zero, and thus,  $v$  is not in  $S_{(p,2)} = \ker(\psi_{1,1})$ . Thus, (20) is proven, concluding the proof of the Proposition.  $\square$

Again, since  $\Psi$  is a right adjoint, it is left exact, giving

$$(22) \quad 0 \rightarrow \Psi(S_{(p+1,1)}) \rightarrow \Psi(S_{(p,2)}) \rightarrow \Psi(D_{(p,2)}).$$

We then claim the following

**Proposition 10.** *We have*

$$\Psi(S_{(p+1,1)}) = M_{(p+1,1)}.$$

*Proof.* Letting

$$V_n = K(\Sigma_n / \Sigma_{n-1}) \cong K^n,$$

we have

$$S_{(p+1,1)} = K\{(v_1, \dots, v_{p+2}) \in V_{p+2} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{p+2} v_i = 0\}.$$

Consider the unit of adjunction between induction and restriction

$$(23) \quad S_{(p+1,1)} \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{\Sigma_{p+2}}^{\Sigma_{p+1}} \text{Res}_{\Sigma_{p+1}}^{\Sigma_{p+2}} S_{(p+1,1)}.$$

Using the isomorphism

$$\text{Ind}_{\Sigma_{p+2}}^{\Sigma_{p+1}} \text{Res}_{\Sigma_{p+1}}^{\Sigma_{p+2}} S_{(p+1,1)} \cong K(\Sigma_{p+2} / \Sigma_{p+1}) \otimes_K S_{(p+1,1)}$$

the map (23) can be described as sending  $(v_1, \dots, v_{p+2}) \in S_{(p+1,1)}$  to  $(1, 1, \dots, 1) \otimes (v_1, \dots, v_{p+2})$ .

Now the restriction of  $S_{(p+1,1)}$  to  $\Sigma_{p+1}$  has pieces  $S_{(p+1)}$ ,  $S_{(p,1)}$ , with  $S_{(p+1)}$  above  $S_{(p,1)}$ . The image of (23) must be contained in the induction of  $S_{(p,1)}$  since any  $(1, \dots, 1) \otimes (v_1, \dots, v_{p+2})$  in the image of (23) can be expressed as the sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^{p+2} (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \otimes (v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, 0, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_{p+2})$$

(where in the  $i$ th summand, the 1 is in the  $i$ th place).

The only piece of the induction of  $S_{(p+1,1)}$  to  $N \gg 0$  that is not a piece in the induction of  $S_{(p,1)}$  is  $S_{(N-p-2, p+1, 1)}$ . Thus, by the description (7) of  $\Psi$ ,

$$\Psi(S_{(p+1,1)}) = M_{(p+1,1)}.$$

□

*Proof of Theorem 2:* Fix some  $N \gg 0$ . Denote by  $\varphi$  the first map of (22). By Proposition 10, the injection is of the form

$$\varphi : S_{(N-p-2, p+1, 1)} \rightarrow \Psi(S_{(p,2)})(N).$$

We therefore obtain the short exact sequence

$$(24) \quad 0 \rightarrow \varphi^{-1}(S_{(N-p-2, p, 2)}) \rightarrow S_{(N-p-2, p, 2)} \rightarrow (Im(\iota_{(p,2)}))(N) \rightarrow 0.$$

(For the sake of brevity, let us write  $k = N - p - 2$ .)

Now consider the map

$$(25) \quad \theta_T : R_{(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)} \rightarrow R_{(k, p, 2)}$$

(again using the notation and definitions given in [6]) where  $T$  is the reverse semistandard tableau

3	3	2	...	2	2	...	2	1	...	1
2	1	1	...	1						
1										

which has

$$\begin{aligned} N_{1,1}(T) &= \left\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \right\rfloor p - 1, \quad N_{2,1}(T) = p - 1, \quad N_{3,1}(T) = 2 \\ N_{1,2}(T) &= k - \left\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \right\rfloor p, \quad N_{2,2}(T) = 1, \quad N_{3,2}(T) = 0 \\ N_{1,3}(T) &= 1, \quad N_{2,3}(T) = 0, \quad N_{3,3}(T) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This satisfies the conditions of Theorem 24.6, (ii), [6] and therefore (25) restricts to a non-zero map

$$\widehat{\theta}_T : S_{(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)} \rightarrow S_{(k, p, 2)}.$$

It therefore suffices to show  $\widehat{\theta}_T$  does not lift to a map

$$(26) \quad S_{(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)} \rightarrow \varphi^{-1}(S_{(k, p, 2)}) \subseteq S_{(k, p+1, 1)},$$

for (24) (since then  $(Im(\iota_{(p, 2)}))(N)$  will have constituent factors  $D_{(k, p, 2)}$  and  $D_\lambda$  for some  $\lambda$  dominant or equal to  $(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)$  and therefore be reducible).

Suppose a lifting (26) exists. If  $p$  divides  $k$ , then  $(k, p+1, 1)$  contains no bad boxes, so  $S_{(k, p+1, 1)}$  is irreducible, thus already forming a contradiction since then (26) is 0. So, suppose  $p$  does not divide  $k$ . By [6], Theorem 13.13, it suffices to show all linear combinations of  $\widehat{\theta}_T$  for semistandard  $(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)$ -tableaux  $T$  of type  $(k, p+1, 1)$  which have image contained in the Specht module  $S_{(k, p+1, 1)}$  are 0. The only semistandard  $(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)$ -tableau  $T$  of type  $(k, p+1, 1)$  is

$$(27) \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 2 & \dots & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & \dots & 2 & & & & & & \\ \hline 3 & & & & & & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

We will prove that  $Im(\widehat{\theta}_T) \not\subseteq S_{(k, p+1, 1)}$  using [6], Corollary 17.18 by finding  $i, v$  with  $\psi_{i-1, v}(Im(\widehat{\theta}_T)) \neq 0$ , where

$$\psi_{i-1, v} : R_\lambda \rightarrow R_{(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{i-2}, \lambda_{i-1} + \lambda_i - v, v, \lambda_{i+1}, \dots)}$$

is obtained by moving  $\lambda_i - v$  boxes from the  $i$ th row to the  $(i-1)$ th row.

Let us choose  $i = 2, v = p$ . Applying  $\psi_{i-1, v}$  then involves summing over the different tableaux  $T'$  arising from taking un-signed row permutations and then taking the sum of signed column permutations of tableaux  $T''$  arising from  $T'$  by replacing one 2 in (27) by a 1.

It then suffices to show that there exists a  $T''$  with no two numbers the same in any column and this  $T''$  arises a number of times that is not divisible by  $p$ . Consider the  $T''$  given as the  $(\lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + p, k - \lfloor \frac{k}{p} \rfloor p + 1, 1)$ -tableau

$$(28) \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 2 & \dots & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & \dots & 2 & & & & & & \\ \hline 3 & & & & & & & & & \\ \hline \end{array} .$$

This can arise in two fashions:

1.  $T'$  arises by moving the first 2 in the first row to the first column and  $T''$  then arises by replacing the first 2 in the second row with a 1. This yields one positive summand.

2.  $T'$  arises by moving the first 2 in the first row to any of the first  $k + 1$  spots of the first row (including the possibility of letting it stay in the same spot), and  $T''$  then arises by replacing this same 2 by a 1, and switching the 1 and 2 in the first column. This gives  $k + 1$  negative summands.

Thus, the summand  $T''$  arises exactly  $-k$  times. By our assumption,  $p$  does not divide  $k$  (and thus also does not divide  $-k$ ), hence concluding the proof of the Theorem.  $\square$

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