

On applications of the cellular algebras

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ABSTRACT. In this report we explain briefly the results of parts of papers [SawS] and [Sa].

1. CELLULAR ALGEBRAS

1.1. **Cellular bases.** We begin with the definition of a cellular basis.

Let R be a commutative domain with 1 and A an associative unital R -algebra which is free as an R -module. Suppose that (Λ, \geq) is a (finite) poset and that for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$ there is a finite indexing set $\mathcal{T}(\lambda)$ and elements $c_{st}^\lambda \in A$ for all $s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$ such that

$$\mathcal{C} = \{c_{st}^\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda \text{ and } s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)\}$$

is a (free) basis of A . For each $\lambda \in \Lambda$ let \check{A}^λ be the R -submodule of A with basis $\{c_{uv}^\mu \mid \mu \in \Lambda, \mu > \lambda \text{ and } u, v \in \mathcal{T}(\mu)\}$.

The pair (\mathcal{C}, Λ) is cellular basis of A if

- (i) the R -linear map $*$: $A \rightarrow A$ determined by $c_{st}^{\lambda*} = c_{ts}^\lambda$, for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$ and all s and t in $\mathcal{T}(\lambda)$, is an algebra anti-isomorphism of A ,
- (ii) for any $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $t \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$ and $a \in A$ there exist $r_v \in R$ such that for all $s \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$

$$(1.1) \quad c_{st}^\lambda a \equiv \sum_{v \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)} r_v c_{sv}^\lambda \pmod{\check{A}^\lambda}.$$

If A has a cellular basis we say that A is a cellular algebra.

Throughout this section we assume that (\mathcal{C}, Λ) is a fixed cellular basis of the algebra A .

For $\lambda \in \Lambda$ let A^λ be the R -module with basis the set of c_{uv}^μ where $\mu \in \Lambda$, $\mu \geq \lambda$ and $u, v \in \mathcal{T}(\mu)$. Thus, $\check{A}^\lambda \subset A^\lambda$ and $A^\lambda / \check{A}^\lambda$ has basis $c_{st}^\lambda + \check{A}^\lambda$ where $s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$.

Lemma 1.2 (cf. [Ma, Lemma 2.3]). *Let λ be an element of Λ .*

- (i) *Suppose that $s \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$ and $a \in A$. Then for all $t \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$*

$$a^* c_{st}^\lambda \equiv \sum_{u \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)} r_u c_{ut}^\lambda \pmod{\check{A}^\lambda}$$

where r_u is the element of R determined by (1.1) for each u .

- (ii) *The R -modules A^λ and \check{A}^λ are two-sided ideals of A .*
- (iii) *Suppose that s and t are elements of $\mathcal{T}(\lambda)$. Then there exists an element r_{st} of R such that for any $u, v \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$*

$$c_{us}^\lambda c_{tv}^\lambda \equiv r_{st} c_{uv}^\lambda \pmod{\check{A}^\lambda}.$$

Fix an element λ of Λ . If $\mathfrak{s} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$ define $C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}$ to be the R -submodule of $A^{\lambda}/\check{A}^{\lambda}$ with basis $\{c_{\mathfrak{st}}^{\lambda} + \check{A}^{\lambda} \mid \mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)\}$. Then $C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}$ is a right A -module by (1.1) and, importantly, the action of A on $C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}$ is completely independent of \mathfrak{s} . That is, $C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda} \cong C_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda}$ for any $\mathfrak{s}, \mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$. This motivates us to define the right cell module C^{λ} to be the right A -module which is free as an R -module with basis $\{c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} \mid \mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)\}$ and where for each $a \in A$

$$(1.2) \quad c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} a = \sum_{\mathfrak{v} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)} r_{\mathfrak{v}} c_{\mathfrak{v}}^{\lambda}$$

where $r_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is the element of R determined by (1.1). Then $C^{\lambda} \cong C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}$, for any $\mathfrak{s} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$, via the canonical R -linear map which sends $c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda}$ to $c_{\mathfrak{st}}^{\lambda} + \check{A}^{\lambda}$ for all $\mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$. In particular, (1.2) determines a well-defined action of A on C^{λ} .

Abusing notation, define the left cell module $C^{*\lambda}$ to be the free R -module with basis $\{c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} \mid \mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)\}$ and A -action given by

$$a^* c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} = \sum_{\mathfrak{v} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)} r_{\mathfrak{v}} c_{\mathfrak{v}}^{\lambda}$$

for all $a \in A$ and where, once again, $r_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is given by (1.1). Then $C^{*\lambda}$ is a left A -module and $C^{*\lambda} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C^{\lambda}, R)$.

Moreover, as (A, A) -bimodules, $A^{\lambda}/\check{A}^{\lambda}$ and $C^{*\lambda} \otimes_R C^{\lambda}$ are canonically isomorphic via the R -linear map determined by $c_{\mathfrak{st}}^{\lambda} + \check{A}^{\lambda} \mapsto c_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda} \otimes c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda}$ for all \mathfrak{s} and \mathfrak{t} in $\mathcal{T}(\lambda)$.

Furthermore, as a right A -module,

$$(1.3) \quad A^{\lambda}/\check{A}^{\lambda} \cong C^{*\lambda} \otimes_R C^{\lambda} \cong \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{s} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)} C_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}.$$

So, as a right A -module, $A^{\lambda}/\check{A}^{\lambda}$ is isomorphic to a direct sum of $|\mathcal{T}(\lambda)|$ copies of C^{λ} .

By Lemma 1.2 (iii) there is a unique bilinear map $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : C^{\lambda} \times C^{\lambda} \rightarrow R$ such that $\langle c_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}, c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} \rangle$, for $\mathfrak{s}, \mathfrak{t} \in \mathcal{T}(\lambda)$, is given by

$$(1.4) \quad \langle c_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\lambda}, c_{\mathfrak{t}}^{\lambda} \rangle c_{\mathfrak{uv}}^{\lambda} \equiv c_{\mathfrak{us}}^{\lambda} c_{\mathfrak{tv}}^{\lambda} \pmod{\check{A}^{\lambda}},$$

where \mathfrak{u} and \mathfrak{v} are any elements of $\mathcal{T}(\lambda)$. The bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is both symmetric and associative.

Let $\text{rad } C^{\lambda} = \{x \in C^{\lambda} \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in C^{\lambda}\}$. One can see that $\text{rad } C^{\lambda}$ is an A -submodule of C^{λ} . Accordingly, we define $D^{\lambda} = C^{\lambda}/\text{rad } C^{\lambda}$.

1.2. Simple modules in a cellular algebra. We are almost ready to show that every irreducible A -module is isomorphic to D^{μ} , for some $\mu \in \Lambda$. In this section we also define and describe the decomposition matrix of A . Throughout, we assume that the poset Λ is finite. Thus A is a finite dimensional algebra.

One of the main points of the cellular basis is that it gives rise to many filtrations in A . To formalize this, call a subset Γ of Λ a poset ideal if $\lambda \in \Gamma$ whenever $\lambda > \mu$ for some $\mu \in \Gamma$. If Γ is a poset ideal let $A(\Gamma)$ be the R -submodule of A with basis

$\{c_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}}^\mu \mid \mu \in \Gamma \text{ and } \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{T}(\mu)\}$. Then $A(\Gamma) = \sum_{\mu \in \Gamma} A^\mu$. So $A(\Gamma)$ is a two-sided ideal by Lemma 1.2 (ii).

Lemma 1.3 (cf. [Ma, Lemma 2.14]). *Suppose that Λ is finite and let $\emptyset = \Gamma_0 \subset \Gamma_1 \subset \dots \subset \Gamma_k = \Lambda$ be any maximal chain of ideals in Λ . Then there exists a total ordering μ_1, \dots, μ_k of Λ such that $\Gamma_i = \{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_i\}$, for all i , and*

$$0 = A(\Gamma_0) \hookrightarrow A(\Gamma_1) \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow A(\Gamma_k) = A$$

is a filtration of A with composition factors $A(\Gamma_i)/A(\Gamma_{i-1}) \cong C^{*\mu_i} \otimes_R C^{\mu_i}$.

Let $\Lambda_0 = \{\mu \in \Lambda \mid D^\mu \neq 0\}$. Then $\mu \in \Lambda_0$ if and only if the bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on C^μ is non-zero. In principle, the next theorem classifies the simple A -modules. However, in practice, it is often difficult to determine the set Λ_0 .

Theorem 1.4 (Graham-Lehrer). *Suppose that R is a field and that Λ is finite. Then $\{D^\mu \mid \mu \in \Lambda_0\}$ is a complete set of pairwise inequivalent irreducible A -modules.*

Suppose that $\mu \in \Lambda_0$ and $\lambda \in \Lambda$. Define $d_{\lambda\mu} = [C^\lambda : D^\mu]$ to be the decomposition number (or composition multiplicity) of the irreducible module D^μ in C^λ . By the Jordan-Hölder Theorem, $d_{\lambda\mu}$ is well-defined. The matrix $\mathbf{D} = (d_{\lambda\mu})$, where $\lambda \in \Lambda$ and $\mu \in \Lambda_0$, is the so-called decomposition matrix of A .

Corollary 1.5 (cf. [Ma, Corollary 2.17]). *Suppose that R is a field. Then the decomposition matrix \mathbf{D} of A is unitriangular. That is, if $\mu \in \Lambda_0$ and $\lambda \in \Lambda$ then $d_{\mu\mu} = 1$ and $d_{\lambda\mu} = 0$ only if $\lambda \geq \mu$.*

The last result in this section connects the theory of quasi-hereditary algebras and cellular algebras. Quasi-hereditary algebras are a very important class of algebras which were introduced by Cline, Parshall and Scott [CPS].

Proposition 1.6 (cf. [Ma, Corollary 2.23]). *Suppose that R is a field. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (i) $\Lambda = \Lambda_0$.
- (ii) *The decomposition matrix \mathbf{D} is a square unitriangular matrix.*

Furthermore, if these conditions are satisfied then A is quasi-hereditary.

As this criterion indicates, being quasi-hereditary is a non-degeneracy property on A .

2. PRELIMINARIES ON ARIKI-KOIKE ALGEBRAS AND CYCLOTOMIC q -SCHUR ALGEBRAS

2.1. Fix positive integers r and n and let \mathfrak{S}_n be the symmetric group of degree n . Let R be an integral domain with 1 and q, Q_1, \dots, Q_r be elements in R , with invertible q . The Ariki-Koike algebra associated to the complex reflection group $W_{n,r} = G(r, 1, n)$, is the associative unital algebra $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{n,r}$ over R with generators T_1, \dots, T_n subject to the following conditions,

$$\begin{aligned} (T_1 - Q_1) \cdots (T_1 - Q_r) &= 0, \\ (T_i - q)(T_i + q^{-1}) &= 0 & (i \geq 2), \\ T_1 T_2 T_1 T_2 &= T_2 T_1 T_2 T_1, \\ T_i T_j &= T_j T_i & (|i - j| \geq 2), \\ T_i T_{i+1} T_i &= T_{i+1} T_i T_{i+1} & (2 \leq i \leq n - 1). \end{aligned}$$

It is known that \mathcal{H} is a free R -module of rank $n!r^n$. The subalgebra $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{S}_n)$ of \mathcal{H} generated by T_2, \dots, T_n is isomorphic to the Iwahori-Hecke algebra \mathcal{H}_n of the symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_n .

For $i = 2, \dots, n$ let s_i be the transposition $(i-1, i)$ in \mathfrak{S}_n . Then $\{s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ generate \mathfrak{S}_n . For $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n$, we set $T_w = T_{i_1} \cdots T_{i_k}$ where $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ is a reduced expression. Then T_w is independent of the choice of a reduced expression. We also put $L_k = T_k \cdots T_2 T_1 T_2 \cdots T_k$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Note that all L_1, \dots, L_n commutes. Moreover, these elements produce a basis of \mathcal{H} .

Theorem 2.2 ([AK, Theorem 3.10]). *The Ariki-Koike algebra \mathcal{H} is free as an R -module with basis $\{L_1^{a_1} \cdots L_n^{a_n} T_w \mid w \in \mathfrak{S}_n, 0 \leq a_i < r \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.*

Recall that a composition of n is sequence $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots)$ of non-negative integers such that $|\sigma| = \sum_i \sigma_i = n$. σ is a partition if in addition $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots$. If $\sigma_i = 0$ for all $i > k$ then we write $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$.

An r -composition (or multicomposition) of n is an r -tuple $\lambda = (\lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(r)})$ of compositions with $\lambda^{(i)} = (\lambda_1^{(i)}, \lambda_2^{(i)}, \dots)$ such that $|\lambda^{(1)}| + \dots + |\lambda^{(r)}| = n$. An r -composition λ is an r -partition if each $\lambda^{(i)}$ is a partition. If λ is an r -partition of n then we write $\lambda \vdash n$. The diagram $[\lambda]$ of the r -composition λ is the set $[\lambda] = \{(i, j, s) \mid 1 \leq i \leq \lambda_j^{(s)}, 1 \leq s \leq r\}$. The elements of $[\lambda]$ are called nodes. The set of r -compositions of n is partially ordered by dominance, i.e, if λ and μ are two r -compositions then λ dominates μ , and we write $\lambda \triangleright \mu$, if

$$\sum_{c=1}^{s-1} |\lambda^{(c)}| + \sum_{j=1}^i |\lambda_j^{(s)}| \geq \sum_{c=1}^{s-1} |\mu^{(c)}| + \sum_{j=1}^i |\mu_j^{(s)}|$$

for $1 \leq s \leq r$ and for all $i \geq 1$. If $\lambda \triangleright \mu$ and $\lambda \neq \mu$ then we write $\lambda \triangleright \mu$.

If λ is an r -composition let $\mathfrak{S}_\lambda = \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda^{(1)}} \times \cdots \times \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda^{(r)}}$ be the corresponding Young subgroup of \mathfrak{S}_n . Set

$$x_\lambda = \sum_{w \in \mathfrak{S}_\lambda} q^{l(w)} T_w, \quad u_\lambda^+ = \prod_{s=2}^r \prod_{k=1}^{a_s} (L_k - Q_s),$$

where $a_s = |\lambda^{(1)}| + \dots + |\lambda^{(s-1)}|$ for $2 \leq s \leq r$. If $s = 1$ then we set $a_s = 0$. Set $m_\lambda = x_\lambda u_\lambda^+ = u_\lambda^+ x_\lambda$ and define M^λ to be the right ideal $M^\lambda = m_\lambda \mathcal{H}$ of \mathcal{H} .

For any r -composition μ , a μ -tableau $\mathbf{t} = (\mathbf{t}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{t}^{(r)})$ is a bijection $\mathbf{t} : [\mu] \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, where $\mathbf{t}^{(i)}$ is a tableau of Shape $(\mathbf{t}^{(i)}) = \mu^{(i)}$. We write Shape $(\mathbf{t}) = \mu$ if \mathbf{t} is a μ -tableau. A μ -tableau \mathbf{t} is called standard (resp. row standard) if all $\mathbf{t}^{(i)}$ are standard (resp. row standard). Let Std (λ) be the set of standard λ -tableaux.

For each r -composition μ , let \mathbf{t}^μ be the μ -tableau with the numbers $1, 2, \dots, n$ attached in order from left to right along its rows and from top to bottom, and from $\mu^{(1)}$ to $\mu^{(r)}$. If \mathbf{t} is any row standard μ -tableau let $d(\mathbf{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ be the unique permutation such that $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{t}^\mu d(\mathbf{t})$. Furthermore, let $*$: $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ be the anti-isomorphism given by $T_i^* = T_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, and set $m_{\mathbf{st}} = T_{d(\mathbf{s})}^* m_\lambda T_{d(\mathbf{t})}$.

Theorem 2.3 ([DJM, Theorem 3.26]). *The Ariki-Koike algebra \mathcal{H} is free as an R -module with cellular basis $\{m_{\mathbf{st}} \mid \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \in \text{Std}(\lambda) \text{ for some } \lambda \vdash n\}$.*

2.4. We can now give a definition of the cyclotomic q -Schur algebras. A set Λ of r -compositions of n is saturated if Λ is finite and whenever λ is an r -partition such that $\lambda \trianglerighteq \mu$ for some $\mu \in \Lambda$ then $\lambda \in \Lambda$. If Λ is a saturated set of r -compositions, we denote by Λ^+ be the set of r -partitions in Λ .

Definition 2.5. *Suppose that Λ is a saturated set of multicompositions of n . The cyclotomic q -Schur algebra with weight poset Λ is the endomorphism algebra*

$$S(\Lambda) = \text{End}_{\mathcal{H}}(M(\Lambda)), \quad \text{where } M(\Lambda) = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \Lambda} M^\lambda.$$

Let λ be an r -partition and μ an r -composition. A λ -Tableau of type μ is a map $T : [\lambda] \rightarrow \{(i, s) \mid i \geq 1, 1 \leq s \leq r\}$ such that $\mu_i^{(s)} = \#\{x \in [\lambda] \mid T(x) = (i, s)\}$ for all $i \geq 1$ and $1 \leq s \leq r$. We regard T as an r -tuple $T = (T^{(1)}, \dots, T^{(r)})$, where $T^{(s)}$ is the $\lambda^{(s)}$ -tableau with $T^{(s)}(i, j) = T(i, j, s)$ for all $(i, j, s) \in [\lambda]$. In this way we identify the standard tableaux above with the Tableaux of type $w = ((0), \dots, (1^n))$. If T is a Tableau of type μ then we write $\text{Type}(T) = \mu$.

Given two pairs (i, s) and (j, t) write $(i, s) \preceq (j, t)$ if either $s < t$, or $s = t$ and $i \leq j$.

Definition 2.6. *A Tableau T is (row) semistandard if, for $1 \leq t \leq r$, the entries in $T^{(t)}$ are*

- (i) weakly increasing along the rows with respect to \preceq ,
- (ii) strictly increasing down columns,
- (iii) (i, s) appears in $T^{(t)}$ only if $s \geq t$.

Let $\mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu)$ be the set of semistandard λ -Tableaux of type μ and let $\mathcal{T}_0(\lambda) = \mathcal{T}_0^\Lambda(\lambda) = \bigcup_{\mu \in \Lambda} \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu)$. Notice that if $\mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu)$ is non-empty, then $\lambda \trianglerighteq \mu$.

Suppose that \mathfrak{t} is a standard λ -tableau and let μ be an r -composition. Let $\mu(\mathfrak{t})$ be the Tableau obtained from \mathfrak{t} by replacing each entry j with (i, k) if j appears in row i of $(\mathfrak{t}^\mu)^{(k)}$. The tableau $\mu(\mathfrak{t})$ is a λ -Tableau of type μ . It is not necessarily semistandard. If S and T are semistandard λ -Tableaux of type μ and ν respectively, let

$$m_{ST} = \sum_{\substack{s, t \in \text{Std}(\lambda) \\ \mu^{(s)} = S, \nu^{(t)} = T}} q^{l(d(s)) + l(d(t))} m_{st}.$$

For S and T as above we define a map φ_{ST} on $M(\Lambda)$ by $\varphi_{ST}(m_\alpha h) = \delta_{\alpha\nu} m_{ST} h$, for all $h \in \mathcal{H}$ and all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Here $\delta_{\alpha\nu}$ is the Kronecker delta, i.e, $\delta_{\alpha\nu} = 1$ if $\alpha = \nu$ and it is zero otherwise. Then φ_{ST} is well-defined, and it belongs to $S(\Lambda)$. Moreover,

Theorem 2.7 ([DJM, Theorem 6.6]). *The cyclotomic q -Schur algebra $S(\Lambda)$ is free as an R -module with cellular basis $\mathcal{C}(\Lambda) = \{\varphi_{ST} \mid S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^\Lambda(\lambda) \text{ for some } \lambda \in \Lambda^+\}$.*

The basis $\{\varphi_{ST}\}$ is called a semistandard basis of $S(\Lambda)$. Since this basis is cellular, the map $*$: $S(\Lambda) \rightarrow S(\Lambda)$ which is determined by $\varphi_{ST}^* = \varphi_{TS}$ is an anti-automorphism of $S(\Lambda)$. This involution is closely related to the $*$ -involution on \mathcal{H} . Explicitly, if $\varphi : M^\nu \rightarrow M^\mu$ is an \mathcal{H} -module homomorphism then $\varphi^* : M^\mu \rightarrow M^\nu$ is the homomorphism given by $\varphi^*(m_\mu h) = (\varphi(m_\nu))^* h$, for all $h \in \mathcal{H}$.

For each r -partition $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$, we define $S^{\vee\lambda} = S^\vee(\Lambda)^\lambda$ as the R -span of φ_{ST} such that $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^\Lambda(\alpha)$ with $\alpha \triangleright \lambda$, which is a two-sided ideal of $S(\Lambda)$. We define the Weyl

module W^λ by the right $\mathcal{S}(\Lambda)$ -submodule of $\mathcal{S}(\Lambda)/\mathcal{S}^\vee(\Lambda)^\lambda$ generated by the image $\varphi_\lambda = \varphi_{T^\lambda T^\lambda} \in \mathcal{S}(\Lambda)$ where $T^\lambda = \lambda(t^\lambda)$. For each $T \in \mathcal{T}_0^\Lambda(\lambda)$, let φ_T be the image of $\varphi_{T^\lambda T}$ in W^λ . Then the Weyl module W^λ is R -free with basis $\{\varphi_T \mid T \in \mathcal{T}_0^\Lambda(\lambda)\}$. As in the case of Specht modules there is an inner product on W^λ which is determined by

$$\varphi_{T^\lambda S} \varphi_{T T^\lambda} \equiv \langle \varphi_S, \varphi_T \rangle \varphi_{T^\lambda T^\lambda} \pmod{\mathcal{S}^{\vee\lambda}}.$$

Let $\text{rad}W^\lambda = \{x \in W^\lambda \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in W^\lambda\}$. The quotient module $L^\lambda = W^\lambda / \text{rad}W^\lambda$ is absolutely irreducible and $\{L^\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda^+\}$ is a complete set of non-isomorphic irreducible $\mathcal{S}(\Lambda)$ -modules.

2.8. For an r -composition μ , we define the type $\alpha = \alpha(\mu)$ of μ by $\alpha = (n_1, \dots, n_r)$ with $n_i = |\mu^{(i)}|$, and the size of μ by $n = \sum_{i=1}^r n_i$. We also define a sequence $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}(\mu) = (a_1, \dots, a_r)$. (Recall that $a_i = \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} |\mu^{(k)}| = \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} n_k$.)

We define a partial order \geq on the set $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^r$ by $\mathbf{a} \geq \mathbf{a}'$ for $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_r)$, $\mathbf{a}' = (a'_1, \dots, a'_r) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^r$ if $a_i \geq a'_i$ for any i . We write $\mathbf{a} > \mathbf{a}'$ if $\mathbf{a} \geq \mathbf{a}'$ and $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{a}'$. It is clear that

$$(2.1) \quad \text{If } \lambda \triangleright \mu, \text{ then } \mathbf{a}(\lambda) \geq \mathbf{a}(\mu) \text{ for } r\text{-compositions } \lambda, \mu.$$

Hence if $\mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu)$ is non-empty, then $\lambda \triangleright \mu$, and so we have $\mathbf{a}(\lambda) \geq \mathbf{a}(\mu)$.

For any r -partition λ and r -composition μ , we define a subset $\mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$ of $\mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu)$ by

$$\mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu) = \{S \in \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu) \mid \mathbf{a}(\lambda) = \mathbf{a}(\mu)\}.$$

Note that the condition $\mathbf{a}(\lambda) = \mathbf{a}(\mu)$ is equivalent to $\alpha(\lambda) = \alpha(\mu)$. Take $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$. Then one can check that $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$ if and only if each entry of $S^{(k)}$ is of the form (i, k) for some i . Hence in this case $S^{(k)}$ can be identified with a semistandard $\lambda^{(k)}$ -Tableau of type $\mu^{(k)}$ under the usual definition of the semistandard Tableaux for 1-partitions $\lambda^{(k)}$ and 1-compositions $\mu^{(k)}$. It follows that we have a bijection

$$\mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu) \simeq \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda^{(1)}, \mu^{(1)}) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda^{(r)}, \mu^{(r)})$$

via $S \leftrightarrow (S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(r)})$. Moreover, if $\mathfrak{s} \in \text{Std}(\lambda)$ is such that $\mu(\mathfrak{s}) = S$ with $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$, then the entries of i -th component of \mathfrak{s} consist of numbers $a_i + 1, \dots, a_{i+1}$ for $\mathbf{a}(\lambda) = (a_1, \dots, a_r)$. In particular, $d(\mathfrak{s}) \in \mathfrak{S}_\alpha$ for $\alpha = \alpha(\lambda)$.

Fix an r -tuple $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_r)$ of non-negative integers. Then, an r -composition $\mu = (\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(r)})$ with $\mu^{(i)} = (\mu_1^{(i)}, \dots, \mu_{m_i}^{(i)}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{m_i}$ is called an (r, \mathbf{m}) -composition, and (r, \mathbf{m}) -partition is defined similarly. We denote by $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r} = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}(\mathbf{m})$ (resp. $\mathcal{P}_{n,r} = \mathcal{P}_{n,r}(\mathbf{m})$) the set of (r, \mathbf{m}) -compositions (resp. (r, \mathbf{m}) -partitions) of size n . (Note that $\mathcal{P}_{n,r}(\mathbf{m})$ are naturally identified with each other for any \mathbf{m} such that $m_i \geq n$. However, $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$ depends on the choice of \mathbf{m} .) Finally, let

$$\mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda) = \bigcup_{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda^+} \{\varphi_{ST} \in \mathcal{C}(\Lambda) \mid S \in \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu), T \in \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \nu), \\ \mathbf{a}(\lambda) > \mathbf{a}(\mu) \text{ if } \alpha(\mu) \neq \alpha(\nu)\}$$

and we define $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ as the R -submodule of $\mathcal{S}(\Lambda)$ with basis $\mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda)$.

3. THE STANDARD BASIS FOR $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$

3.1. First, we prepare some notation. Let

$$\Omega = (\Lambda^+ \times \{0, 1\}) \setminus \{(\lambda, 1) \mid \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu) = \emptyset \text{ for any } \mu \in \Lambda \text{ such that } \mathbf{a}(\lambda) > \mathbf{a}(\mu)\}$$

and we define a partial order $(\lambda_1, \varepsilon_1) \geq (\lambda_2, \varepsilon_2)$ on Ω by $(\lambda_1, \varepsilon_1) > (\lambda_2, \varepsilon_2)$ if $\lambda_1 \triangleright \lambda_2$, or $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ and $\varepsilon_1 > \varepsilon_2$. For a $(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega$, we define index sets $I(\lambda, \varepsilon)$, $J(\lambda, \varepsilon)$ by

$$I(\lambda, \varepsilon) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda) & \text{if } \varepsilon = 0, \\ \bigcup_{\mu \in \Lambda, \mathbf{a}(\lambda) > \mathbf{a}(\mu)} \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda, \mu) & \text{if } \varepsilon = 1, \end{cases} \quad J(\lambda, \varepsilon) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda) & \text{if } \varepsilon = 0, \\ \mathcal{T}_0(\lambda) & \text{if } \varepsilon = 1, \end{cases}$$

where $\mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda) = \bigcup_{\mu \in \Lambda} \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$. Then $I(\lambda, \varepsilon)$ and $J(\lambda, \varepsilon)$ are not empty for all $(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega$. Assume that $(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega$. We define a subset $\mathcal{C}^0(\lambda, \varepsilon)$ of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ by

$$\mathcal{C}^0(\lambda, \varepsilon) = \{\varphi_{ST} \mid (S, T) \in I(\lambda, \varepsilon) \times J(\lambda, \varepsilon)\}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$(3.1) \quad \text{the union } \bigcup_{(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega} \mathcal{C}^0(\lambda, \varepsilon) \text{ is disjoint and is equal to the set } \mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda).$$

3.2. For any $(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega$, we define by $\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda, \varepsilon)} = \mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(> (\lambda, \varepsilon))$ the R -submodule of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ spanned by φ_{UV} where $(U, V) \in I(\lambda', \varepsilon') \times J(\lambda', \varepsilon')$ for some $(\lambda', \varepsilon') \in \Omega$ with $(\lambda', \varepsilon') > (\lambda, \varepsilon)$. Note that $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda) \cap \mathcal{S}^{\vee\lambda} = \mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda, 1)}$ for every $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$. Similarly, we define $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(\geq (\lambda, \varepsilon))$ as the R -submodule spanned by φ_{UV} with $(\lambda', \varepsilon') \geq (\lambda, \varepsilon)$. We can now state.

Theorem 3.1. *The subalgebra $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ is standardly based (in the sense of [DR]) on (Ω, \geq) with standard basis $\mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda)$, that is,*

- (i) *The union $\bigcup_{(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega} \mathcal{C}^0(\lambda, \varepsilon) = \mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda)$ is disjoint and forms an R -basis for $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$.*
- (ii) *For any $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$, $\varphi_{ST} \in \mathcal{C}^0(\lambda, \varepsilon)$, we have*

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi \cdot \varphi_{ST} &\equiv \sum_{S' \in I(\lambda, \varepsilon)} f_{S', (\lambda, \varepsilon)}(\varphi, S) \cdot \varphi_{S'T} \pmod{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda, \varepsilon)}} \\ \varphi_{ST} \cdot \varphi &\equiv \sum_{T' \in J(\lambda, \varepsilon)} f_{(\lambda, \varepsilon), T'}(T, \varphi) \cdot \varphi_{ST'} \pmod{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda, \varepsilon)}}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\varphi_{S'T}, \varphi_{ST'} \in \mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda)$ and $f_{S', (\lambda, \varepsilon)}(\varphi, S), f_{(\lambda, \varepsilon), T'}(T, \varphi) \in R$ are independent of T and S , respectively.

Note that the cellular algebra is a special case of the standardly based.

3.3. Next we introduce the Weyl module for $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$. By (3.2) in Theorem 3.1, it is easy to see that R -modules $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(\geq (\lambda, \varepsilon))$ and $\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda, \varepsilon)} = \mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(> (\lambda, \varepsilon))$ are two-sided ideals of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$. Fix a $(\lambda, \varepsilon) \in \Omega$. For $S \in I(\lambda, \varepsilon)$, we define the Weyl module $Z_S^{(\lambda, \varepsilon)}$ for $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ by the R -submodule of $\{\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(\geq (\lambda, \varepsilon))\} / \{\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)(> (\lambda, \varepsilon))\}$ with

basis $\{\varphi_{ST} + \mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda,\varepsilon)} \mid T \in J(\lambda,\varepsilon)\}$. Moreover, by (3.2), we see that $Z_S^{(\lambda,\varepsilon)}$ is the right $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ -module and the action of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ on $Z_S^{(\lambda,\varepsilon)}$ is independent of the choice of S , i.e. $Z_{S_1}^{(\lambda,\varepsilon)} \simeq Z_{S_2}^{(\lambda,\varepsilon)}$ for all $S_1, S_2 \in I(\lambda,\varepsilon)$. However, since T^λ is not an element in $I(\lambda,1)$ for $(\lambda,1) \in \Omega$, one should pay attention that there is no ‘‘canonical’’-Weyl module for the case $(\lambda,1)$. (That is, we can not define $Z_{T^\lambda}^{(\lambda,1)}$.) For the convenience sake let $Z^{(\lambda,0)} = Z_{T^\lambda}^{(\lambda,0)}$ and put $\varphi_T^0 = \varphi_{T^\lambda T} + \mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda,\varepsilon)}$ for any $T \in J(\lambda,0) = \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$.

3.4. Suppose that $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. Then there exists an element $r_{ST} \in R$ such that for any $U, V \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$

$$\varphi_{US} \cdot \varphi_{TV} \equiv r_{ST} \cdot \varphi_{UV} \pmod{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda,0)}}.$$

We define a bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0 : Z^{(\lambda,0)} \times Z^{(\lambda,0)} \rightarrow R$ by $\langle \varphi_S^0, \varphi_T^0 \rangle_0 = r_{ST}$. Hence we have

$$(3.3) \quad \langle \varphi_S^0, \varphi_T^0 \rangle_0 \cdot \varphi_{UV} \equiv \varphi_{US} \cdot \varphi_{TV} \pmod{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee(\lambda,0)}},$$

where U and V are any elements of $\mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. It is easy to see that

$$(3.4) \quad \langle \varphi_S^0, \varphi_T^0 \rangle_0 = \langle \varphi_S, \varphi_T \rangle \quad \text{for every } S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda).$$

Let $\text{rad}Z^{(\lambda,0)} = \{x \in Z^{(\lambda,0)} \mid \langle x, y \rangle_0 = 0 \text{ for all } y \in Z^{(\lambda,0)}\}$.

Lemma 3.2. $\text{rad}Z^{(\lambda,0)}$ is an $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ -submodule of $Z^{(\lambda,0)}$.

We put $L_0^\lambda = Z^{(\lambda,0)} / \text{rad}Z^{(\lambda,0)}$. Then we have the following.

Proposition 3.3. Suppose that R is a field, and $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$. Then

- (i) $L_0^\lambda \neq 0$ and
- (ii) $\text{rad}Z^{(\lambda,0)}$ is the unique maximal submodule of $Z^{(\lambda,0)}$ and L_0^λ is absolutely irreducible. Moreover, the Jacobson radical of $Z^{(\lambda,0)}$ is equal to $\text{rad}Z^{(\lambda,0)}$.

4. A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ AND $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$

First, we recall the definition of modified Ariki-Koike algebras and their cyclotomic q -Schur algebras ([SawS]).

4.1. From now on, throughout this paper, we consider the following condition on parameters Q_1, \dots, Q_r in R whenever we consider the modified Ariki-Koike algebras (and their cyclotomic q -Schur algebras).

$$(4.1) \quad Q_i - Q_j \text{ are invertible in } R \text{ for any } i \neq j.$$

Let A be a square matrix of degree r whose i - j entry is given by Q_j^{i-1} for $1 \leq i, j \leq r$. Thus A is the Vandermonde matrix, and $\Delta = \det A = \prod_{i>j} (Q_i - Q_j)$ is invertible by (4.1). We express the inverse of A as $A^{-1} = \Delta^{-1}B$ with $B = (h_{ij})$, and define a polynomial $F_i(X) \in R[X]$, for $1 \leq i \leq r$, by $F_i(X) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq r} h_{ij} X^{j-1}$.

The modified Ariki-Koike algebra $\mathcal{H}^b = \mathcal{H}_{n,r}^b$ is an associative algebra over R with generators T_2, \dots, T_n and ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n and relations

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} (T_i - q)(T_i + q^{-1}) &= 0 & (2 \leq i \leq n), \\ (\xi_i - Q_1) \cdots (\xi_i - Q_r) &= 0 & (1 \leq i \leq n), \\ T_i T_{i+1} T_i &= T_{i+1} T_i T_{i+1} & (2 \leq i \leq n), \\ T_i T_j &= T_j T_i & (|i - j| \geq 2), \\ \xi_i \xi_j &= \xi_j \xi_i & (1 \leq i, j \leq n), \\ T_j \xi_j &= \xi_{j-1} T_j + \Delta^{-2} \sum_{c_1 < c_2} (Q_{c_2} - Q_{c_1})(q - q^{-1}) F_{c_1}(\xi_{j-1}) F_{c_2}(\xi_j), \\ T_j \xi_{j-1} &= \xi_j T_j - \Delta^{-2} \sum_{c_1 < c_2} (Q_{c_2} - Q_{c_1})(q - q^{-1}) F_{c_1}(\xi_{j-1}) F_{c_2}(\xi_j), \\ T_j \xi_k &= \xi_j T_j & (k \neq j - 1, j). \end{aligned}$$

It is known that if $R = \mathbb{Q}(\bar{q}, \bar{Q}_1, \dots, \bar{Q}_r)$, the field of rational functions with variables $\bar{q}, \bar{Q}_1, \dots, \bar{Q}_r$, \mathcal{H}^b is isomorphic to \mathcal{H} , and it gives an alternate presentation of \mathcal{H} apart from 2.1.

The subalgebra $\mathcal{H}^b(\mathfrak{S}_n)$ of \mathcal{H}^b generated by T_2, \dots, T_n is isomorphic to \mathcal{H}_n , hence it can be naturally identified with the corresponding subalgebra $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{S}_n)$ of \mathcal{H} . Moreover, it is known by [Sh] that the set $\{\xi_1^{c_1} \cdots \xi_n^{c_n} T_w \mid w \in \mathfrak{S}_n, 0 \leq c_i < r \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ gives rise to a basis of \mathcal{H}^b .

Let $V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r V_i$ be a free R -module, with $\text{rank } V_i = m_i$. We put $m = \sum m_i$. It is known by [SakS] that we can define a right \mathcal{H} -module structure on $V^{\otimes n}$. We denote this representation by $\rho : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \text{End } V^{\otimes n}$. Note that this construction works without the condition (4.1). Also it is shown in [Sh] that, under the assumption (4.1), a right action of \mathcal{H}^b on $V^{\otimes n}$ can be defined. We denote this representation by $\rho^b : \mathcal{H}^b \rightarrow \text{End } V^{\otimes n}$. By [Sh, Lemma 3.5], we know that $\text{Im } \rho \subset \text{Im } \rho^b$.

We consider the condition

$$(4.3) \quad m_i \geq n \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r.$$

Lemma 4.2 ([SawS, Lemma 1.5]). *Under the conditions (4.1), (4.3), there exists an R -algebra homomorphism $\rho_0 : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^b$ such that ρ_0 induces the identity on \mathcal{H}_n . (Here we regard $\mathcal{H}_n \subset \mathcal{H}$, $\mathcal{H}_n \subset \mathcal{H}^b$ under the previous identifications.) If $\text{Im } \rho^b = \text{Im } \rho$ and R is a field, then $\mathcal{H} \simeq \mathcal{H}^b$.*

From now on, throughout the paper, we fix an r -tuple $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_r)$ of non-negative integers and always assume the condition (4.3) whenever we consider \mathcal{H}^b .

Any $\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}(\mathbf{m})$ may be regarded as an element in $\mathcal{P}_{n,1}$ (i.e, 1-composition) of n by arranging the entries of $\mu = (\mu_j^{(i)})$ in order

$$\mu_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_{m_1}^{(1)}, \mu_1^{(2)}, \dots, \mu_{m_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \mu_1^{(r)}, \dots, \mu_{m_r}^{(r)},$$

which we denote by $\{\mu\}$.

For $\alpha = (n_1, \dots, n_r) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ such that $\sum n_i = n$, we define $c(\alpha)$ by

$$c(\alpha) = (\underbrace{r, \dots, r}_{n_1\text{-times}}, \underbrace{r-1, \dots, r-1}_{n_2\text{-times}}, \dots, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{n_r\text{-times}})$$

and let $c(\alpha) = (c_1, \dots, c_n)$. We define $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}^b$ by $F_\alpha = \Delta^{-n} F_{c_1}(\xi_1) F_{c_2}(\xi_2) \cdots F_{c_n}(\xi_n)$. For any $\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$, put $m_\mu^b = F_{\alpha(\mu)} \cdot m_{\{\mu\}}$ where $m_{\{\mu\}} = \sum_{w \in \mathfrak{S}_{\{\mu\}}} q^{l(w)} T_w (= x_\mu) \in \mathcal{H}_n$.

We define an R -linear anti-automorphism $h \rightarrow h^*$ on \mathcal{H}^b by the condition that $*$ fixes the generators T_i ($2 \leq i \leq n$) and ξ_j ($1 \leq j \leq n$). As discussed in [SawS, 2.7], this condition induces a well-defined anti-automorphism on \mathcal{H}^b . Moreover, by Lemma 2.9 in [SawS], we know that $(m_\mu^b)^* = m_\mu^b$. For $\mathfrak{s}, \mathfrak{t} \in \text{Std}(\lambda)$ with $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, we define an element $m_{\mathfrak{st}}^b \in \mathcal{H}^b$ by $m_{\mathfrak{st}}^b = T_{d(\mathfrak{s})}^* m_\mu^b T_{d(\mathfrak{t})}$. By the above fact, we have $(m_{\mathfrak{st}}^b)^* = m_{\mathfrak{ts}}^b$.

Theorem 4.3 ([SawS, Theorem 2.18]). *The modified Ariki-Koike algebra \mathcal{H}^b is free as an R -module with cellular basis $\{m_{\mathfrak{st}}^b \mid \mathfrak{s}, \mathfrak{t} \in \text{Std}(\lambda) \text{ for some } \lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}\}$.*

Put $M_b^\mu = m_\mu^b \mathcal{H}^b$ for $\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$. We define a cyclotomic q -Schur algebra $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ as follows.

Definition 4.4. *The cyclotomic q -Schur algebra for \mathcal{H}^b with weight poset $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$ is the endomorphism algebra*

$$\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n) = \text{End}_{\mathcal{H}^b}(M^b(\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r})), \quad \text{where } M^b(\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}) = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}} M_b^\mu.$$

For an r -tuples $\alpha \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,1}$, let $M_b^\alpha = \bigoplus_{\mu; \alpha(\mu)=\alpha} M_b^\mu$. Then by Proposition 5.2 (i) in [SawS], we have $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n) \simeq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,1}} \text{End}_{\mathcal{H}^b} M_b^\alpha$ as R -algebras.

Theorem 4.5 ([SawS, Theorem 5.5]). *Let $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ be the cyclotomic q -Schur algebra associated to the modified Ariki-Koike algebra \mathcal{H}^b and $\mathcal{S}(m_i, n_i)$ be the q -Schur algebra associated to the Iwahori-Hecke algebra \mathcal{H}_{n_i} . Then there exists an isomorphism of R -algebras*

$$\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n) \simeq \bigoplus_{\substack{(n_1, \dots, n_r) \\ n = n_1 + \dots + n_r}} \mathcal{S}(m_1, n_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{S}(m_r, n_r).$$

Let $\mu, \nu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$ and $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$. We assume that $\alpha(\mu) = \alpha(\nu) = \alpha(\lambda)$. For $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$ and $T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \nu)$, put

$$m_{ST}^b = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{s}, \mathfrak{t} \in \text{Std}(\lambda) \\ \mu(\mathfrak{s})=S, \nu(\mathfrak{t})=T}} q^{l(d(\mathfrak{s})) + l(d(\mathfrak{t}))} m_{\mathfrak{st}}^b.$$

Moreover, for $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$ and $T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \nu)$, one can define $\varphi_{ST}^b \in \mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ by $\varphi_{ST}^b(m_\alpha^b h) = \delta_{\alpha\nu} m_{ST}^b h$, for all $h \in \mathcal{H}^b$ and all $\alpha \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$.

Theorem 4.6 ([SawS, Theorem 5.9]). *The cyclotomic q -Schur algebra $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ is free as an R -module with cellular basis $\mathcal{C}^b(\mathbf{m}, n) = \{\varphi_{ST}^b \mid S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda), \text{ for some } \lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}\}$.*

4.2. Let $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ be as in Section 3. We describe a relationship between the algebra $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ and the cyclotomic q -Schur algebra $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ in the case where $\Lambda = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$. But in the moment, we shall consider an arbitrary Λ as in Section 3.

First, let $\mathcal{C}^{00}(\Lambda) = \{\varphi_{ST} \mid (S, T) \in I(\lambda, 1) \times J(\lambda, 1), \lambda \in \Lambda^+\} \subset \mathcal{C}^0(\Lambda)$ and $\mathcal{S}^{00}(\Lambda)$ be the R -span of $\varphi_{ST} \in \mathcal{C}^{00}(\Lambda)$, which is an R -submodule of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$. We note that, $\mathcal{S}^{00}(\Lambda)$ is a two-sided ideal of $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ by the second and fourth formula in [Sa, Lemma 2.4]. Thus one can define the quotient algebra $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda) = \mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)/\mathcal{S}^{00}(\Lambda)$. We write $\bar{x} = x + \mathcal{S}^{00}(\Lambda)$ ($x \in \mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$). It is easy to see that $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ has a free R -basis $\{\bar{\varphi}_{ST} \mid S \in I(\lambda, 0), T \in J(\lambda, 0), \lambda \in \Lambda^+\}$. Note that the condition $(S, T) \in I(\lambda, 0) \times J(\lambda, 0)$ is nothing but $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. For $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$, let $\overline{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee\lambda}} = \overline{\mathcal{S}_0^\vee}(\Lambda)^\lambda$ be the R -submodule of $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ spanned by $\bar{\varphi}_{ST}$ with $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\alpha)$ for various $\alpha \in \Lambda^+$ such that $\alpha \triangleright \lambda$. We show the following.

Theorem 4.7. *The algebra $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ has a free basis*

$$\overline{\mathcal{C}^0}(\Lambda) = \{\bar{\varphi}_{ST} \mid S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda), \lambda \in \Lambda^+\}$$

satisfying the following properties.

(i) *The R -linear map $*$: $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda) \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ determined by $\bar{\varphi}_{ST}^* = \bar{\varphi}_{TS}$, for all $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$ and all $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$, is an anti-automorphism of $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$.*

(ii) *Let $T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. Then for all $\bar{\varphi} \in \overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$, and any $V \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$, there exists $r_V \in R$ such that*

$$\bar{\varphi}_{ST} \cdot \bar{\varphi} \equiv \sum_{V \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)} r_V \bar{\varphi}_{SV} \pmod{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee\lambda}}$$

for any $S \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$, where r_V is independent of the choice of T .

In particular, $\overline{\mathcal{C}^0}(\Lambda)$ is a cellular basis of $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$.

In the case where $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ is defined, $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ can be identified with $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$, i.e., we have the following proposition.

Proposition 4.8. *Let $\Lambda = \widetilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$ and assume that (4.1) and (4.3) holds. Then there exists an algebra isomorphism $\flat : \overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ satisfying the following. For $\bar{\varphi}_{ST} \in \overline{\mathcal{C}^0}(\Lambda)$ such that $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$ and $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$, we have $(\bar{\varphi}_{ST})^\flat = \varphi_{ST}^b$.*

We now return to the general setting, and consider $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ for arbitrary Λ . The above proposition says that the $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ is a natural ‘‘cover’’ of the $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$.

For $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$, $\bar{\varphi}_\lambda = \bar{\varphi}_{T\lambda T^\lambda}$ is an element in $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$. Hence, by the cellular theory [GL], one can define a Weyl module $\overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}$ of $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ as the right $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ -submodule of $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)/\overline{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee\lambda}}$ spanned by the image of $\bar{\varphi}_\lambda$. We denote by $\bar{\varphi}_T$ the image of $\bar{\varphi}_{T\lambda T}$ in $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)/\overline{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee\lambda}}$. Then the set $\{\bar{\varphi}_T \mid T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)\}$ is a free R -basis of $\overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}$. Define a bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\bar{0}}$ on $\overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}$ by requiring that

$$\bar{\varphi}_{T\lambda S} \bar{\varphi}_{T^\lambda} \equiv \langle \bar{\varphi}_S, \bar{\varphi}_T \rangle_{\bar{0}} \cdot \bar{\varphi}_\lambda \pmod{\overline{\mathcal{S}_0^{\vee\lambda}}}$$

for all $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. Let $\overline{\mathcal{L}^\lambda} = \overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}/\text{rad}\overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}$, where $\text{rad}\overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda} = \{x \in \overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda} \mid \langle x, y \rangle_{\bar{0}} = 0 \text{ for all } y \in \overline{\mathcal{Z}^\lambda}\}$. In the case where R is a field, by a general theory of cellular algebras, the set $\{\overline{\mathcal{L}^\lambda} \mid \lambda \in \Lambda^+, \overline{\mathcal{L}^\lambda} \neq 0\}$ gives a complete set of non-isomorphic irreducible $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0}(\Lambda)$ -modules. Furthermore, we have the following result.

Proposition 4.9. *Suppose that R is a field. Then $\bar{L}^\lambda \neq 0$ for any $\lambda \in \Lambda^+$. Hence, $\{\bar{L}^\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda^+\}$ is a complete set of non-isomorphic irreducible $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)}$ -modules. Therefore, $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)}$ is quasi-hereditary.*

The following result connects the decomposition numbers in \bar{Z}^λ and in $Z^{(\lambda,0)}$.

Theorem 4.10. *Suppose that R is a field. Then*

- (i) $\{L_0^\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Lambda^+, \lambda \supseteq \alpha\}$ is a complete set of pairwise inequivalent irreducible $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ -modules occurring in the composition factors of the $\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)$ -module $Z^{(\lambda,0)}$.
- (ii) For $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda^+$, we have

$$[\bar{Z}^\lambda : \bar{L}^\mu] = [Z^{(\lambda,0)} : L_0^\mu].$$

- (iii) For $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda^+$ such that $\alpha(\lambda) \neq \alpha(\mu)$, we have

$$[\bar{Z}^\lambda : \bar{L}^\mu] = 0.$$

5. AN ESTIMATE FOR DECOMPOSITION NUMBERS

We are now ready to estimate the decomposition numbers for the cyclotomic q -Schur algebras.

5.1. We keep the notation in Section 4, and consider the general Λ .

Theorem 5.1. *Suppose that R is a field. Then, for all $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda^+$ with $\alpha(\lambda) = \alpha(\mu)$,*

$$[\bar{Z}^\lambda : \bar{L}^\mu] = [Z^{(\lambda,0)} : L_0^\mu] = [W^\lambda : L^\mu].$$

5.8. We return to the setting in 4.1. Let $\Lambda = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$ under the condition (4.1) and (4.3). For an r -partition $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, we denote by $\mathcal{S}_b^{\vee\lambda}$ the R -submodule of $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ spanned by φ_{ST}^b such that $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\alpha)$ with $\alpha \triangleright \lambda$. Moreover, for an r -partition $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, $T^\lambda \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \lambda)$, and in fact T^λ is the unique semistandard λ -Tableau of type λ . Moreover, $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{t}^\lambda$ is the unique element in $\text{Std}(\lambda)$ such that $\lambda(\mathbf{t}) = T^\lambda$. Thus, $m_{T^\lambda T^\lambda}^b = m_{\mathbf{t}^\lambda \mathbf{t}^\lambda}^b = m_\lambda^b$, and $\varphi_\lambda^b = \varphi_{T^\lambda T^\lambda}^b$ is the identity map on M_b^λ . We define the Weyl module W_b^λ as the right $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ -submodule of $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)/\mathcal{S}_b^{\vee\lambda}$ spanned by the image of φ_λ^b . For each $T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda, \mu)$, we denote by φ_T^b the image of $\varphi_{T^\lambda T}^b$ in $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)/\mathcal{S}_b^{\vee\lambda}$. Then we know that the Weyl module W_b^λ is R -free with basis $\{\varphi_T^b \mid T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)\}$. The Weyl module W_b^λ enjoys an associative symmetric bilinear form, defined by the equation

$$\varphi_{T^\lambda S}^b \varphi_{TT^\lambda}^b \equiv \langle \varphi_S^b, \varphi_T^b \rangle_b \cdot \varphi_\lambda^b \pmod{\mathcal{S}_b^{\vee\lambda}}$$

for all $S, T \in \mathcal{T}_0^+(\lambda)$. Let $L_b^\lambda = W_b^\lambda / \text{rad}W_b^\lambda$, where $\text{rad}W_b^\lambda = \{x \in W_b^\lambda \mid \langle x, y \rangle_b = 0 \text{ for all } y \in W_b^\lambda\}$. By [SawS, Proposition 5.11], we know that, for all r -partition $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, L_b^λ is an absolutely irreducible and $\{L_b^\lambda \mid \lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}\}$ is a complete set of non-isomorphic irreducible $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ -modules. Furthermore, for $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, we denote by $[W_b^\lambda : L_b^\mu]$ the composition multiplicity of L_b^μ in W_b^λ . Note that the above definition of the Weyl module W_b^λ coincides with the definition of the Weyl module \bar{Z}^λ when $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{\mathcal{S}^0(\Lambda)}$ under the isomorphism \mathfrak{b} in Proposition 4.8.

Consequently, under the isomorphism b , we have $[W_b^\lambda : L_b^\mu] = [\bar{Z}^\lambda : \bar{L}^\mu]$ for every $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$. On the other hand, note that in the case where $r = 1$, the notation for $\mathcal{S}^b(\mathbf{m}, n)$ coincides with the standard notation for q -Schur algebras discussed as in [Ma, Chapter 4]: So, we use freely such a notation. For $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$, we denote by $[W^{\lambda^{(i)}} : L^{\mu^{(i)}}]$ ($1 \leq i \leq r$) is defined as the composition multiplicity of $L^{\mu^{(i)}}$ in $W^{\lambda^{(i)}}$ for $\lambda = (\lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(r)})$ and $\mu = (\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(r)})$.

Proposition 5.2 ([SawS, Proposition 5.14]). *Let $\Lambda = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$. Suppose that R is a field, and that (4.1) and (4.3) are satisfied. Let $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$. Then under the isomorphism in Theorem 4.5, we have*

$$[W^\lambda : L^\mu] = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^r [W^{\lambda^{(i)}} : L^{\mu^{(i)}}] & \text{if } \alpha(\lambda) = \alpha(\mu), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Corollary 5.3. *Let $\Lambda = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{n,r}$. Suppose that R is a field, and that (4.1) and (4.3) are satisfied. Then, for all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{P}_{n,r}$ with $\alpha(\lambda) = \alpha(\mu)$, we have*

$$[W^\lambda : L^\mu] = \prod_{i=1}^r [W^{\lambda^{(i)}} : L^{\mu^{(i)}}].$$

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