# The graded representation theory of the symmetric group and dominated homomorphisms

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If M is finitely generated, then  $\operatorname{Hom}_A(M,N)$  is a graded vector space. In particular,  $\operatorname{Hom}_A(M,N)$  has a homogeneous basis.

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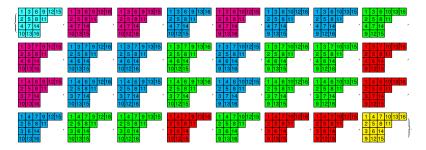
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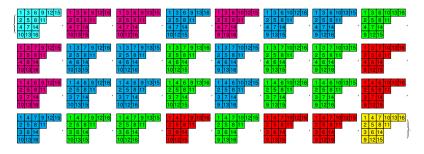
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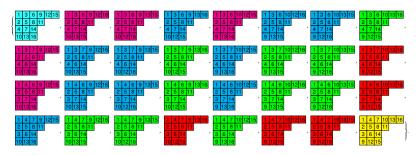


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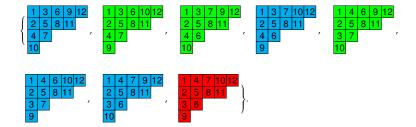
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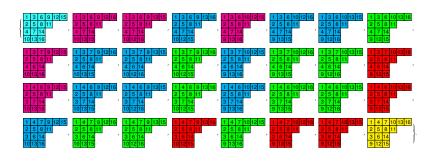
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