# Graded decomposition matrices for type C KLR algebras Joint work with Chris Chung and Andrew Mathas

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2 <sup>4</sup>		v	1				2 <sup>4</sup>		v	1		•	
$3, 1^{5}$	v	$v^2$		1			$3, 1^{5}$	v	$v^2$		1	•	
$3, 2^2, 1$	$v^2+1$	$v^3$	$v^2$	v	1		$3, 2^2, 1$	$v^2$	$v^3$	$v^2$	v	1	
$4, 1^{4}$	v <sup>2</sup>			v		1	$4, 1^{4}$	$v^2$			v		1
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$3^2, 2$	$2v^{2}$				$v^2$		$3^2, 2$	$v^2$				$v^2$	
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4 <sup>2</sup>		$v^3$	$v^4$				4 <sup>2</sup>		$v^3$	$v^4$			
$5, 1^{3}$	$v^2$			$v^3$		$v^4$	$5, 1^{3}$	$v^2$			$v^3$		$v^4$
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$4, 1^{4}$	v <sup>2</sup>			v		1		$4, 1^{4}$	$v^2$			v		1
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$3^2, 2$	$2v^{2}$				$v^2$			$3^2, 2$	$v^2$				$v^2$	
$4, 2, 1^2$	$2v^{2}$			$v^3+v$	$v^2$	$v^2$		$4, 2, 1^2$	$v^2$			$v^3+v$	$v^2$	$v^2$
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4 <sup>2</sup>		$v^3$	$v^4$					4 <sup>2</sup>		$v^3$	$v^4$			
$5, 1^{3}$	$v^2$			$v^3$		$v^4$		$5, 1^{3}$	$v^2$			$v^3$		$v^4$
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