



Algebra and Number Theory Seminar

Title: Commuting matrices and Higman's conjecture

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Abstract: Higman's conjecture states that the number of conjugacy classes in the group of upper triangular matrices over F_q is polynomial in q . It can be also formulated as a problem of counting commuting upper triangular matrices over a finite field. I will introduce a generalisation of this problem in terms of quiver representations and prove relations between various counting invariants that arise. In particular, I will show that the original conjecture is equivalent to polynomial-count of certain absolutely indecomposable quiver representations.

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