

The number of simple modules associated to $\text{Sol}(q)$

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Conjecture (Alperin)

The number of simples in b is

$$\ell(\mathcal{F}) := \sum_{P \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{cr}} / \mathcal{F}} z(k(N_G(P)/PC_G(P))).$$

- Sum runs over a set of \mathcal{F} -isomorphism class representatives

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where the sum runs over $(n) = (n_1, \dots, n_{p-1})$ with $n_j \geq 0$ and $\sum_{j=1}^{p-1} n_j = n$.

- e.g., $n = p = 3$, $(3) = (n_1, n_2) \in \{(0, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 0)\}$ so we get $1 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 1 = 10$ simple b -modules

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- In general, combine the lemmas with the identity $\mathbf{p}(n) - c_p(n) = \mathbf{p}(n-p) \cdot p$ to see that AWC holds

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Then $l(\mathcal{F}, \alpha) \leq p^{s(S)}$.

- Work of Malle–Robinson suggests that the conjecture holds for many non-exotic pairs (\mathcal{F}, α)

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- Do the aforementioned representation-theoretic invariants reflect this?

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- Putting this all together we prove:

Theorem (Lynd-S)

Let $\mathcal{F} = \text{Sol}(q)$ be a Benson-Solomon system. Then

$$\lim_{[S(\mathcal{F}^{cr})]} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}^2 \cong 0.$$

Moreover, the natural map

$$H^2(\mathcal{F}^{cr}, k^\times) \longrightarrow \lim_{[S(\mathcal{F}^{cr})]} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}^2$$

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 - $\ell(\mathcal{F}_2(\text{Spin}_7(q)), 0) = 12$. Is there a way to construct ‘modules’ for $\text{Sol}(q)$ from modules in the principal 2-block of $\text{Spin}_7(q)$?