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The algebra  $Mat_{n \times n}(F)$  is cellular with the following data:

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- $\mathcal{T}(n) \coloneqq \{1, \ldots, n\}$
- $c_{i,j} := E_{i,j}$  the elementary matrix with a 1 at position (i, j) and a zero elsewhere.

#### Proposition

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- If  $\sigma_A$  satisfies some conditions then  $A^{\sigma}$  will be skew cellular.

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If  $\iota = id_{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $\iota_{\lambda} = id_{\mathcal{T}(\lambda)}$  then we recover Graham–Lehrer's definition of a cellular algebra.

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#### Lemma

Let 
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. The relation  $\triangleright_{\sigma}$  on  $\mathcal{P}_{\sigma}$  defined by  
 $[\lambda] \triangleright_{\sigma} [\mu] \iff \lambda \triangleright \sigma^{k} \mu$ , for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  
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- Our result is stronger that Geck's in the case r = p = 2 since we prove in general the graded skew cellularity.

# A glimpse of the diagrammatic Cherednik algebra

Here is an example of a diagram inside the diagrammatic Cherednik algebra of Webster–Bowman:



# Classification of the simple modules: Clifford theory

Let A be a cellular algebra with a shift automorphism  $(\sigma_A, \sigma_P, \sigma_T)$ so that  $A^{\sigma}$  is skew cellular. Let  $D^{\lambda}$  (resp.  $D^{\lambda,k}$ ) be the irreducible A-module (resp.  $A^{\sigma}$ -module) corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

# Proposition (Hu-Mathas-R. 21)

As A-modules we have

$${}^{\sigma}D_{\lambda} \simeq D_{\sigma_{\mathcal{P}}\lambda}$$
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and as  $A^{\sigma}$ -modules we have

$$\bigoplus_{k} D^{\lambda,k} \simeq D^{\lambda} \Big|_{A^{\sigma}}^{A}$$
$$D^{\lambda,k} \simeq {}^{\tau} D^{\lambda,k+1}$$

where  $\tau$  is the conjugation by an invertible element of ker $(\sigma_A - \epsilon)$ .

- The same statement holds for the cell modules  $C^{\lambda}$  and  $C^{\lambda,k}$ .
- We recover the existing classification of  $\mathcal{H}_{r,p,n}$ -modules.

Thank you!