## Global dimensions of left-regular bands

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## Remarks

- Informally: identities say ignore "repetitions".
- We consider only finite monoids here.


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## Example: Braid Arrangement

hyperplanes: $H_{i, j}=\left\{\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}: v_{i}=v_{j}\right\}$
faces: ordered set partitions of $\{1, \ldots, n\}$
examples: $[\{2,3\},\{4\},\{1,5\}]$

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Others:
Björner, Athanasiadis-Diaconis, Chung-Graham, ...

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- LRB-version of the Cartier-Foata free partially-commutative monoid (aka trace monoids).


## Acyclic orientations

Elements of $F(G)$ correspond to acyclic orientations of induced subgraphs of the complement $\bar{G}$.
Example


Acyclic orientation on induced subgraph on vertices $\{a, d, c\}$ :


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Athanasiadis-Diaconis (2010): studied this chain using a different LRB (graphical arrangement of $G$ )

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Theorem (Steinberg)
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- Lawvere calls them "graphic monoids"; the identity $x y x=x y$ is called the "Schützenberger-Kimura" identity.
- "graphic topos": a topos which is generated by objects whose endomorphism monoid is a finite LRB.


## Simple $\mathbb{K} B$-modules

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## Outline of Proof

An Eckmann-Shapiro-type lemma reduces to the case:

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= & H^{n-1}\left(\Delta\left(B_{[\widehat{0}, \widehat{1})}\right), \mathbb{K}\right) & \text { (Quillen's Theorem A) }
\end{array}
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