1134-05-395 **Megan Ly*** (megan.ly@colorado.edu). Schur-Weyl Duality for Unipotent Upper Triangular Matrices.

Schur-Weyl duality is a fundamental framework in combinatorial representation theory. It intimately relates the irreducible characters of the general linear group via their commuting actions on tensor space. We investigate the analog of Schur-Weyl duality for the group of unipotent upper triangular matrices over a finite field. In this case, the character theory of these upper triangular matrices is unattainable. Thus we employ a generalization, known as supercharacter theory, to create a striking variation on the character theory of the symmetric group with combinatorics based on set partitions. We present a combinatorial structure that encodes the decomposition of a tensor space into supercharacters in order to describe the maps that centralize the action of the group of unipotent upper triangular matrices. (Received September 12, 2017)