# Variants of semigroups - the case study of finite full transformation monoids

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- For 2 ≤ m ≤ r, the class D<sub>r</sub> separates into a single regular chunk D<sub>r</sub> ∩ P and a number of non-regular pieces, as seen on the following picture...



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$$\operatorname{rank}(\mathcal{T}_X^a) = |M| = \sum_{m=r+1}^n S(n,m) \binom{n}{m} m!,$$

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## Do you see what I am seeing???



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