

EVERY FINITELY GENERATED ABELIAN GROUP IS THE CLASS  
GROUP OF A GENERALIZED CLUSTER ALGEBRA

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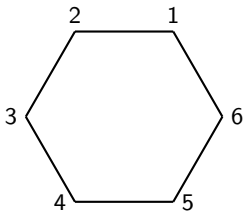
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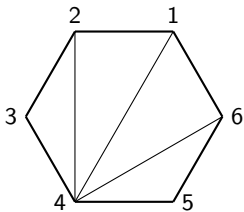
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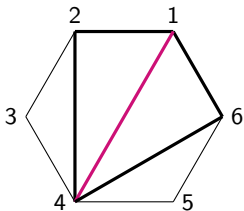
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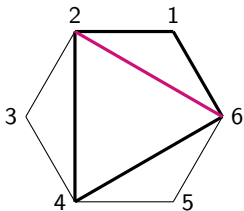
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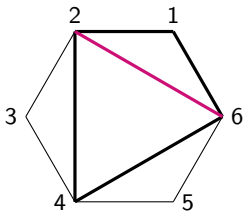
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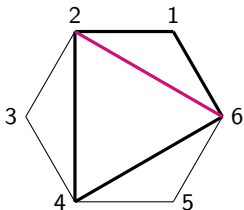


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# From $A_n$ to cluster algebras



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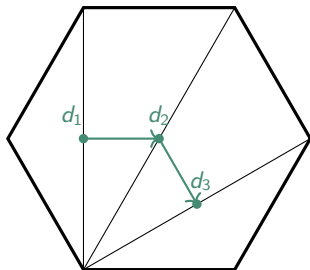
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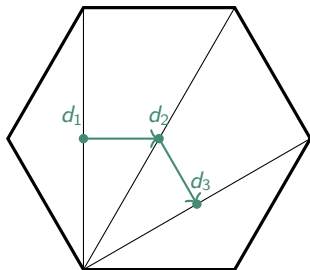
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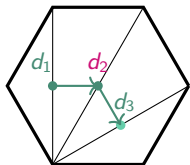
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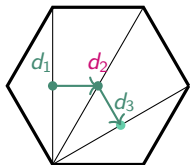
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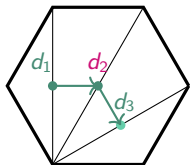
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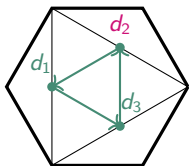
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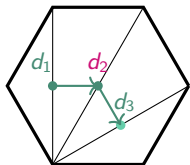


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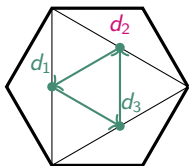


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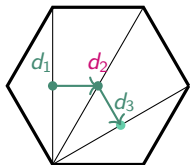
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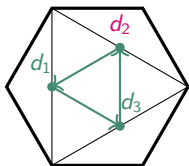
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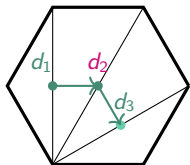
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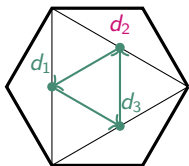


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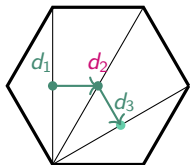
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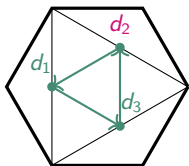


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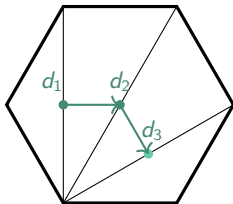
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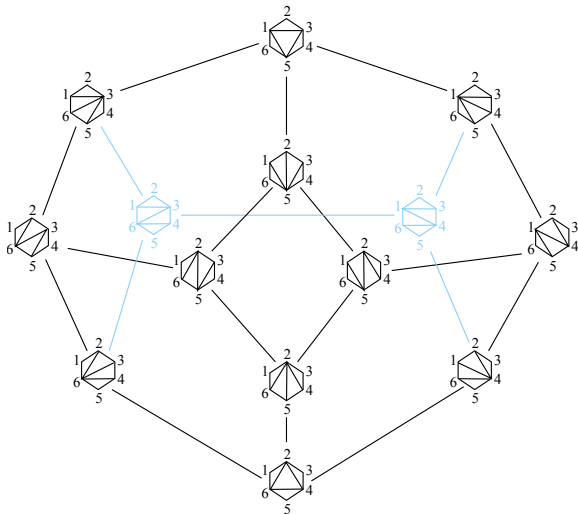
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## Open questions:

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Thank you for your attention!