

# Describing Leclerc's Frobenius categories as categories of Gorenstein projective modules

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Clusters & braids Seminar

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# 1. Motivation

and

# Background

Setup:  $G$  simple Lie-group /  $\mathbb{C}$   
of Dynkin type  $Q = A_n, D_n$  or  $E_{6,7,8}$

(e.g.  $G = \mathrm{SL}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C})$  for  $Q = A_n$ )

with Borel subgroup  $B \subset G$

(e.g.  $B = \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix} \subset \mathrm{SL}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C})$ )

and Borel subgroup  $B_- \subset G$  opposite to  $B$

(e.g.  $B_- = \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ * & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix} \subset \mathrm{SL}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C})$ )

and Weyl group  $W$

(e.g.  $W = S_{n+1}$  given by  
permutation matrices)

$$G/B = \bigsqcup_{w \in W} BwB/B =: \bigsqcup_{w \in W} C_w$$

flag variety

Schubert  
decompos.

Schubert  
cell

$$\text{(e.g.) } C_{w_0} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} B \right\} \cong \mathbb{C}^{\binom{n+1}{2}} \cong \mathbb{C}^{l(w_0)}$$

- in general  $C_w \cong \mathbb{C}^{l(w)}$

$$G/\bar{B} = \bigsqcup_{w \in W} B_- w B / \bar{B} =: \bigsqcup_{w \in W} C^w$$

opposite Schubert  
cell

$$\text{(e.g.) } C^{w_0} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & * \end{pmatrix}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} B \right\} \cong \{pt\} \cong \mathbb{C}^0$$

- in general  $C^w \cong \mathbb{C}^{l(w_0) - l(w)}$

$$G/B = \bigsqcup_{v, w \in W} C_v \cap C_w =: \bigsqcup_{v, w \in W} \mathring{X}_{v,w}$$

(open)  
Richardson  
variety

$$\text{(e.g.) } \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{R}}_{w_0, w_0} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} B \right\} \simeq \{ \text{pt} \}$$

- more generally,  $\overset{\circ}{\mathcal{R}}_{v,w}$  is smooth, irreducible, affine variety of dim.  $l(w) - l(v)$   
 (and  $\overset{\circ}{\mathcal{R}}_{v,w} \neq \emptyset \text{ iff } v \leq w$ )

Thm [GLS] The coordinate rings of  $G_w$  &  $G^w$  admit a cluster algebra structure.

Pf: Uses "categorification."

More precisely, for each  $w \in W$

there are subcategories

$$\mathcal{C}_w, \mathcal{C}^w \subset \text{mod } \underline{\text{IT}}(\mathbb{Q}(G))$$

preprojective  
algebra of Dynkin type  
 $\mathbb{Q}(G)$

with a "cluster structure" [BIRSc].

In particular,  $\mathcal{C}_w, \mathcal{C}^w$  contain

cluster-tilting objects

$T = P \oplus M$ , with  $P$  projective gen.

$\rightsquigarrow T_T := \text{quiver of } \text{End}(T)$

is part of a seed of cluster alg.

Lederc suggests an

analogous approach

for  $\mathring{R}_{v,w} = G^v \cap G_w$  using

categories  $\mathcal{C}_{v,w} := \mathcal{C}^v \cap \mathcal{C}_w$ .

Very recently: completed & generalized by

Casals, (Gorsky)<sup>2</sup>, Le, Shen & Simental

(cf. also Galashin, Lam, Sherman-Bennett & Speyer)

Rem: In categorification, work with

$$T_T^! = \text{quiver of } \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}_{v,w}}(T)$$

cluster  
tilting  
object

projective generator  
of  $\mathcal{E}_{v,w}$ . Corresponds  
to "frozen variables"  
in cluster algebra

$$T \cong P_{v,w} \oplus M$$

Today: More interested in

$$\text{End}_{\mathcal{E}_{v,w}}(P_{v,w})$$

2. From pairs of

torsion pairs

to

Frobenius categories

Goal:

Explain why Leclerc's  
Category

$$\mathcal{C}_{v,w} := \mathcal{C}^v \cap \mathcal{C}_w \subset \text{mod-TT}$$

is Frobenius.

Def: Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be abelian category.

A torsion pair consists of

full subcategories

$T \subset \mathcal{A}$  torsion class

$F \subset \mathcal{A}$  torsion free class

satisfying

$$(T1) \quad \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(T, F) = 0$$

(T2) For all  $X \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists

$$0 \rightarrow t(X) \xrightarrow{\eta} X \rightarrow \underbrace{X/t(X)}_{=: f(X) \in F} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{ex}$$

## Examples:

(a)  $\mathcal{A} = \text{Ab}$  cat. of abelian groups

$\mathcal{F}$  = torsion-free groups

$\mathcal{T}$  = torsion groups

(b)  $\mathcal{A} = \text{mod-}\Lambda$ ,  $\Lambda$  f.dim. algebra

$\left\{ \mathcal{J}_i = \text{add } S_i, S_i \text{ simple } \Lambda\text{-module} \right.$

$\left\{ \mathcal{F}_i = \{M \mid \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(S_i, M) = 0\} = \{M \mid \text{soc}_i M = 0\} \right\}$

(c) If  $\Lambda = \Pi$  preprojective algebra  
of Dynkin type

then "iterating" the definition of  $\mathcal{F}_i$   
yields ALL torsion-free  $\mathcal{F} \subset \text{mod-}\Pi$

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## Remarks:

(a) (T1), (T2) and universal properties of

kernel & cokernel  $\Rightarrow t$  and  $f$

define functors  $\begin{cases} t: \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{T} \\ f: \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{F} \end{cases}$

(b)  $\text{Hom}(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X \in \mathcal{T}$

Hence,  $\mathcal{T}$  is closed under extensions & quotients

(c)  $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{T}, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow Y \in \mathcal{F}$

Hence,  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under extensions &  
subobjects

(d)  $t(X) \rightarrow X$  is a

left  $T$ -approximation. Indeed:

$$0 \rightarrow t(X) \rightarrow X \rightarrow f(X) \rightarrow 0$$

The diagram consists of five nodes connected by arrows. The nodes are 0 (top),  $t(X)$  (second from top),  $X$  (middle),  $f(X)$  (second from bottom), and 0 (bottom). Solid arrows point from  $t(X)$  to  $X$  and from  $X$  to  $f(X)$ . Dashed arrows point from 0 to  $t(X)$  and from  $f(X)$  to 0. A blue bracket under the sequence is labeled  $T$ .

Dually,

$$X \rightarrow f(X) \quad \text{is a}$$

right  $f$ -approximation.

Prop: Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian category with torsion pairs  $(\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{F}_1), (\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ .

Then  $\mathcal{C}_{12} := \mathcal{T}_1 \cap \mathcal{F}_2$  satisfies

(a)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{T}_1 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & \mathcal{C}_{12} \\ & \searrow t_1 & \swarrow \end{array} \quad \mathcal{F}_2$$

(b)  $\mathcal{C}_{12}$  is closed under extensions in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Hence,  $\mathcal{C}_{12}$  inherits exact structure of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

(c)  $\mathcal{C}_{12}$  has kernels & cokernels, e.g.

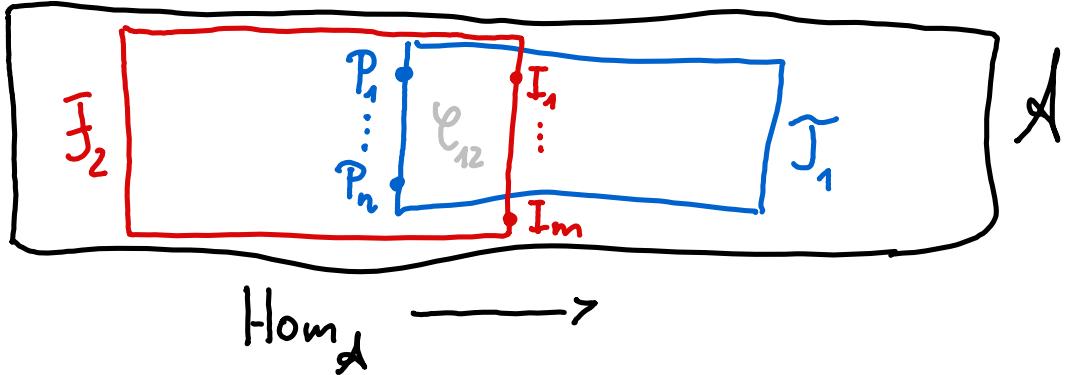
$$t_1(\ker_{\mathcal{A}} f) \hookrightarrow \ker_{\mathcal{A}} f \hookleftarrow C \xrightarrow{f} C'$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{=: \ker_{\mathcal{C}_{12}} f}$

is a kernel of  $f$ .

Hence,  $\mathcal{C}_{12}$  is preabelian category

"Morally" the situation look like:



(d) If  $J_1$  has enough projectives,  
then  $\mathcal{C}_{12}$  has enough projectives –  
given by  $\text{proj } \mathcal{C}_{12} = f_2(\text{proj } J_1)$ .

(e) Dually, if  $J_2$  has enough injectives ...

(f) If  $\text{Ext}_A^1(X, Y) \cong \text{Ext}_A^1(Y, X)^*$   $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{proj } \mathcal{C}_{12} = \text{inj } \mathcal{C}_{12}$

Def: An exact cat.  $\mathcal{E}$  is called **Frobenius** if there are enough projectives & injectives and  $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{inj } \mathcal{E}$

Ex:  $\mathcal{E} = \text{mod-}\Lambda$ ,  $\Lambda$  selfinjective, e.g.  $\Lambda = \mathbb{T}$ .

Cor:  $\mathcal{A} = \text{mod-}\mathbb{T}(\text{Dynkin}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{12}$  Frobenius

Idea of Pf:  $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{T}}^1(X, Y) \cong \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{T}}^1(Y, X)^*$  (+)  
for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$ .

If  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  extension-closed subcat., then  
 $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}^1(B_1, B_2) = \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{T}}^1(B_1, B_2) \quad \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$

(+)  $\Rightarrow \text{proj } \mathcal{B} = \text{inj } \mathcal{B}$  (\*)

In particular,  $(*)$  holds for  
 $\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{C}_{12}$  where  $(\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$  torsion pair

It follows from [GLS], [Mizuno] that every  
 torsion pair  $(\mathcal{C}_w, \mathcal{C}^w) \subseteq_{\text{mod-TT}}$  satisfies

$$\mathcal{C}_w = \text{Quot}(t_w(\text{TT}))$$

$$\mathcal{C}^w = \text{Sub}(f_w(\text{TT}))$$

Where  $f_w(\text{TT}) \in \text{proj } \mathcal{C}^w$   $\stackrel{(*)}{=} \underline{\text{inj}} \mathcal{C}^w$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}^w$  has enough injectives.

Dually,  $\mathcal{C}_w$  has enough projectives

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Prop (d), (e)}} \mathcal{C}_{v,w} = \mathcal{C}^v \cap \mathcal{C}_w \text{ is Frobenius}$$

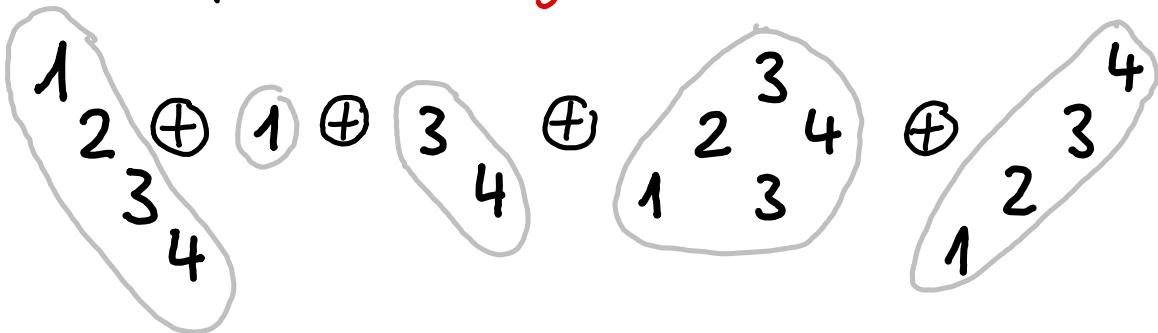
With projective-injective  
objects

$$\text{Proj } \mathcal{C}_{v,w} = \text{add } t_w f_v(\pi) = \text{add } f_v t_w(\pi)$$

Ex:  $Q = 1 - 2 - 3 - 4$

$$v = (s_2 s_3)^{-1}, w = w_0 s_2$$

Computing  $t_w f_v(\pi) \cong$



has  $5 > 4$  indecomposable direct  
summands

# 3. Morita Theorem

for

Frobenius categories

Def: A two-sided Noetherian ring  $R$  is **Gorenstein** if  $\text{injdim}_R R < \infty$  and  $\text{injdim}_{R^e} R_R < \infty$ .

Rem:  $R$  Gorenstein  $\Rightarrow \text{injdim}_R R = \text{injdim}_{R^e} R_R$ .  
Call this **virtual dimension**  $\text{virdim} R$ .

Ex: i)  $A$  selfinjective  $\Rightarrow \text{virdim } A = 0$   
ii)  $\text{gldim } B < \infty \Rightarrow \text{virdim } B = \text{gldim } B$   
iii)  $G$  gentle algebra  $\Rightarrow G$  Gorenstein

Def: For  $R$  Gorenstein set

$$GP(R) := \left\{ M \in \text{mod-}R \mid \text{Ext}_R^{>0}(M, R) = 0 \right\}$$

category of Gorenstein-projective  
 $R$ -modules.

Ex: i)  $A$  selfinjective  $\Rightarrow GP(A) = \text{mod-}A$   
ii)  $\text{gldim } B < \infty \Rightarrow GP(B) = \text{proj } B$

Prop [cf. Buchweitz]  $R$  Gor.  $\Rightarrow GP(R)$  Frobenius  
with  $\text{proj } GP(R) = \text{proj } R$ .

Pf uses duality  $\text{Hom}_R(-, R) : GP(R) \rightarrow GP(R^{\text{op}})$   
and long exact  $\text{Ext}$ -sequences

Q: Which Frobenius cats are equivalent to  $\text{GP}(R)$ ?

A: Theorem (Iyama-K-Wemyss-Yang)  
(special case)

$\mathcal{E}$  idempotent complete Frobenius cat. s.t.

- (i)  $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ . and  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$  is Noetherian
- (ii)  $\text{mod } \mathcal{E} = \left\{ F: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{Alg} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{additive, finitely presented} \\ \text{contravariant functors} \end{array} \right\}$   
and  $\text{mod } \mathcal{E}^{\text{op}}$  are abelian categories.

The following are equivalent :

- (a)  $\text{gldim mod } \mathcal{E} < \infty$  and  $\text{gldim mod } \mathcal{E}^{\text{op}} < \infty$ .
- (b)  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -): \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{GP}(\text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P))$   
exact equivalence &  $\text{virdim } \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P) \leq \text{gldim mod } \mathcal{E}$

Ex: Let  $\Sigma = \text{proj } S$  where  $\text{gldim } S = \infty$ .

Then  $\Sigma \not\cong \text{GP}(R)$   $R$  Gorenstein

since  $\text{mod } \Sigma \cong \text{mod-}S$  has

infinite global dimension.

4. Applying the

Morita Theorem

to

Lederc's Frobenius

Categories

Lem:  $\mathcal{E}$  additive category with

Kernels and cokernels. Then

$$\text{gldim mod } \mathcal{E}, \text{ gldim mod } \mathcal{E}^{\text{op}} \leq 2$$

Pf:  $F \in \text{mod } \mathcal{E}$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Rightarrow} \exists (-, X) \xrightarrow{(-, f)} (-, Y) \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0 \text{ ex.}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow (-, \ker f) \rightarrow (-, X) \rightarrow (-, Y) \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$$

shows  $\text{prdim } F \leq 2$ .

As before  $(\mathcal{C}_w, \mathcal{C}^\omega) \subset \text{mod-}\Pi(\text{Dynkin})$   
torsion pair

Cor: There are Gorenstein rings

$\Pi_w, \Pi^\omega, \Pi_{v,w}$  of virtual dimension  $\leq 2$

and exact equivalences

$$(a) \quad \mathcal{C}_w \cong \text{GP}(\Pi_w) \cong \text{Sub}(\Pi_w)$$

$$(b) \quad \mathcal{C}^\omega \cong \text{GP}(\Pi^\omega) \cong \text{Sub}(\Pi^\omega)$$

$$(c) \quad \mathcal{C}_{v,w} \cong \text{GP}(\Pi_{v,w}) \cong \Omega^2(\text{mod-}\Pi_{v,w})$$

(a) & (b) identify the GLS-categories (LHS)  
with the BIRSc-cats (RHS), cf. [GLS].

More precisely, for each

Vertex  $i \in Q_0$  let  $I_i := \overline{\mathbb{T}}(1-e_i)\overline{\mathbb{T}}$   
two-sided ideal

red. expr.

For  $w = \underbrace{s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}}_{\text{red. expr.}} \in W$  let

$$I_w = I_{i_1} \cdot \cdots \cdot I_{i_k}.$$

Then  $\overline{\mathbb{T}}_w \cong \left(\overline{\mathbb{T}} / I_{w^{-1}}\right)^{\text{op}}$  and

$$\overline{\mathbb{T}}^w \cong \left(\overline{\mathbb{T}} / I_{w^{-1}w_0}\right)$$

longest Weyl group elt.

The latter algebras have  $\text{virdim} \leq 1$  [BIRS<sub>c</sub>]

Hence  $\text{GP}(-) \cong \underline{Q}(\text{mod}-) \cong \text{Sub}(-)$

"Condition (P)":

$\mathcal{C}_v \subset \mathcal{C}_w \iff w = v'v \text{ and } l(w) = l(v) + l(v')$

Proposition (Baumann, Kamnitzer & Tingley)

(P)  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{v'} \cong \mathcal{C}_{v,w}$

Cor:

(P)  $\Rightarrow \Pi_{v,w} \xrightarrow{\text{Morita}} \Pi_{v'}$

In particular,  $\text{virdim } \Pi_{v,w} \leq 1$

## 5. Concluding

remarks and

Open questions

Open problem:

Give "combinatorial description"

of  $\Pi_{v,w}$  (e.g. as quiver with relations)

Rem:  $|(\mathbb{Q}_{v,w})_0| \geq |Q_0|$  in general

Question (Leclerc)

How does  $\text{Virdim } \Pi_{v,w}$  depend  
on  $Q, v, w$ ?

How is  $\text{Virdim } \Pi_{v,w}$  related to  
geometry of  $\mathcal{R}_{v,w}$ ?

Rem:

See "Partial Answer 12" in

arXiv 1709.04785

for partial answers...