

# Factorial Cluster Algebra

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  - (3) The principal part of  $B$  is skew-symmetrizable,
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- The seed  $(\mathbf{x}, B)$  and  $B$  are called acyclic if  $\Sigma(B)$  does not contain any oriented cycle. The cluster algebra  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)$  is acyclic if there exists an acyclic seed  $(\mathbf{y}, C)$  with  $(\mathbf{y}, C) \sim (\mathbf{x}, B)$

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- **Theorem 3.1** Let  $(\mathbf{x}, B)$  be a seed of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then any cluster variable in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)$  is irreducible.

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$$\{y_1, \dots, y_n, z_1, \dots, z_n, x_{n+1}^{\pm 1}, \dots, x_p^{\pm 1}, x_{p+1}, \dots, x_m\} \subset U.$$

Then we have

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- Remark 6.9 can be obtained by the Laurent Phenomenon.

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- **Remark 6.12** For all  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , define a set

$$S(\mathbf{a}) = \{P \in I_1^{a_1} \cap I_2^{a_2} \cap \dots \cap I_n^{a_n} : P \text{ is not divided by } x_i \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n, a_i \neq 0\}$$

If the conjecture above holds for all  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , then it yields a decomposition

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n} \frac{\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)^{\times S(\mathbf{a})}}{x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \cdots x_n^{a_n}}.$$



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$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \lambda x_i : 1 \leq i \leq n, \lambda \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)^\times \} \\ & \cup \left\{ \frac{\lambda P}{M(P)} : P \in R \text{ irreducible}, \lambda \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)^\times \right\} \setminus \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}, B)^\times. \end{aligned}$$

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- **Lemma 7.1** Assume  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n$  and  $\mathbf{I}^{\mathbf{b}} = I_1^{b_1} \cap I_2^{b_2} \cap \dots \cap I_n^{b_n}$  holds for all  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{N}^n$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n b_i < \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$ . Assume that the index  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is either a sink or a source s.t.  $a_i \neq 0$ . Suppose that there exists an index  $1 \leq j \leq n$  with  $a_j \neq 0$  s.t.  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent. Then  $\mathbf{I}^{\mathbf{a}} = I_1^{a_1} \cap I_2^{a_2} \cap \dots \cap I_n^{a_n}$

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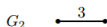
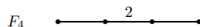
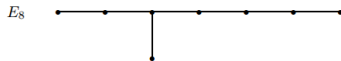
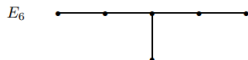
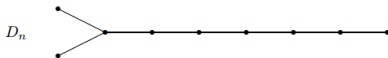
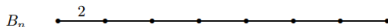
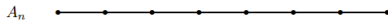
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# Main Theorem

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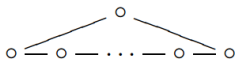
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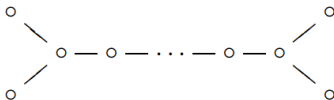
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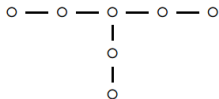
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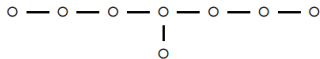
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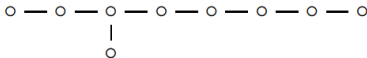
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# Factorization of Dynkin Type

- For  $n \neq 3$ ,  $A_n$  is a unique factorial type, while for  $n = 3$ ,  $A_n$  is not a unique factorial type.  
For all  $n \geq 4$ ,  $D_n$  is not a unique factorial type.  
For  $E_6, E_7, E_8$ , they are all unique factorial types.



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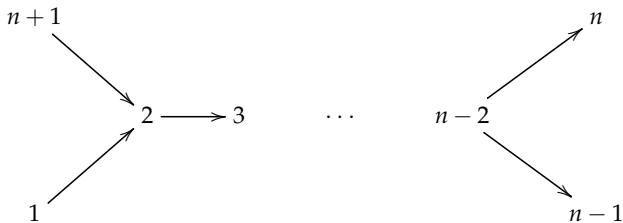
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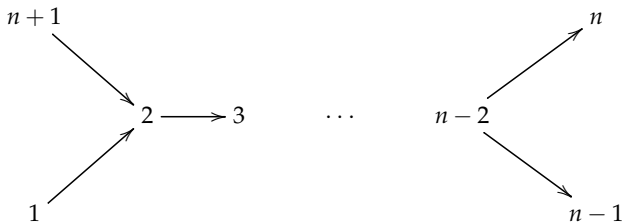
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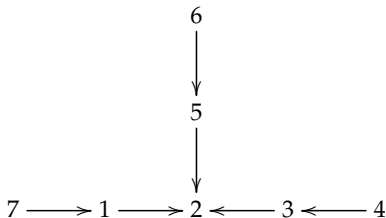
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- The diagram of  $\widetilde{D}_n$  is presented above. No matter how to orient the diagram, the exchange polynomial of index  $n+1$  and index  $1$  are both  $1 + x_2$ . According to Proposition 4.2, we can claim that the cluster algebra generated by the type  $\widetilde{D}_n$  is not a unique domain.

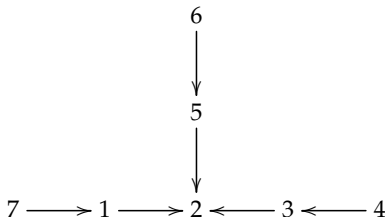
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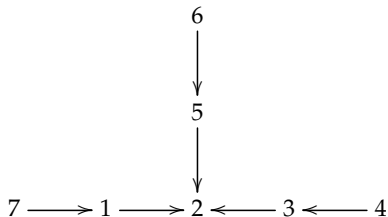
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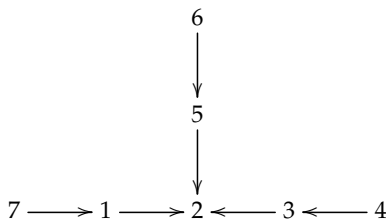
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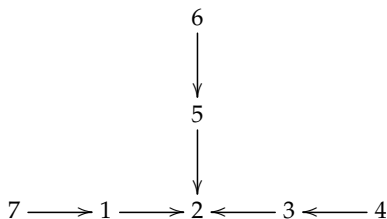
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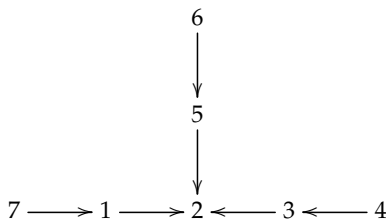
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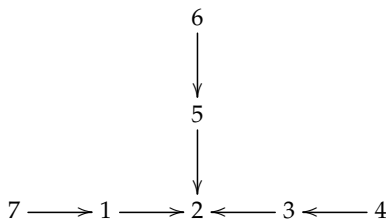
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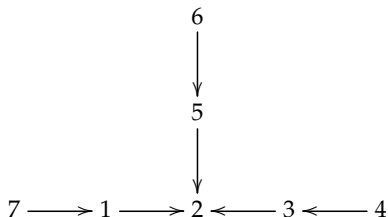
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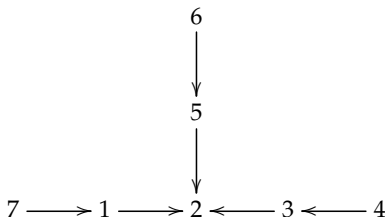
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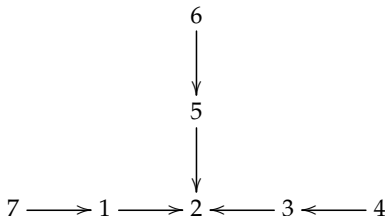
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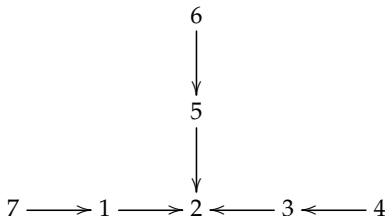
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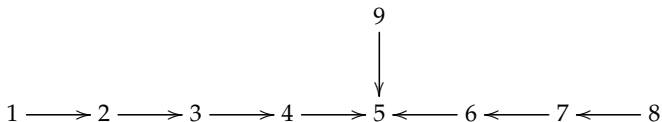
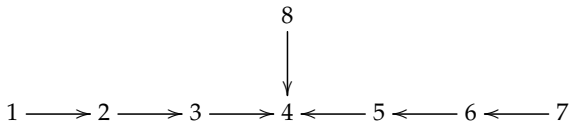


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The same argument for index 8 and 4 in  $\widetilde{E}_7$  and index 9 and 5 in  $\widetilde{E}_8$  can get the conclusion.

- Thank You For Listening