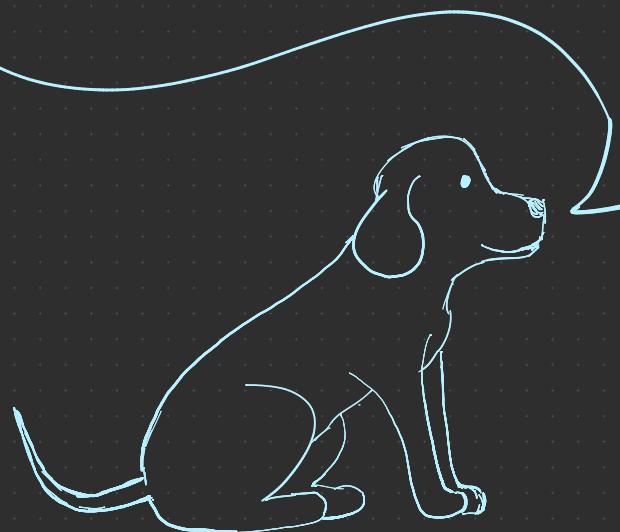


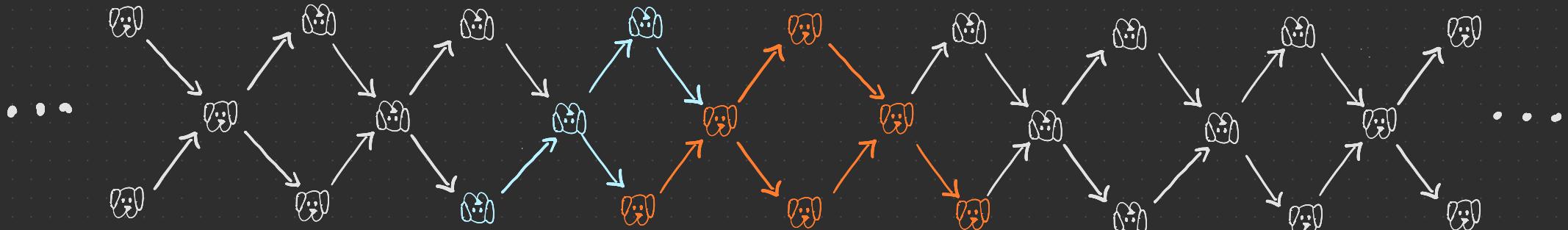
# The preprojective algebra of a quiver



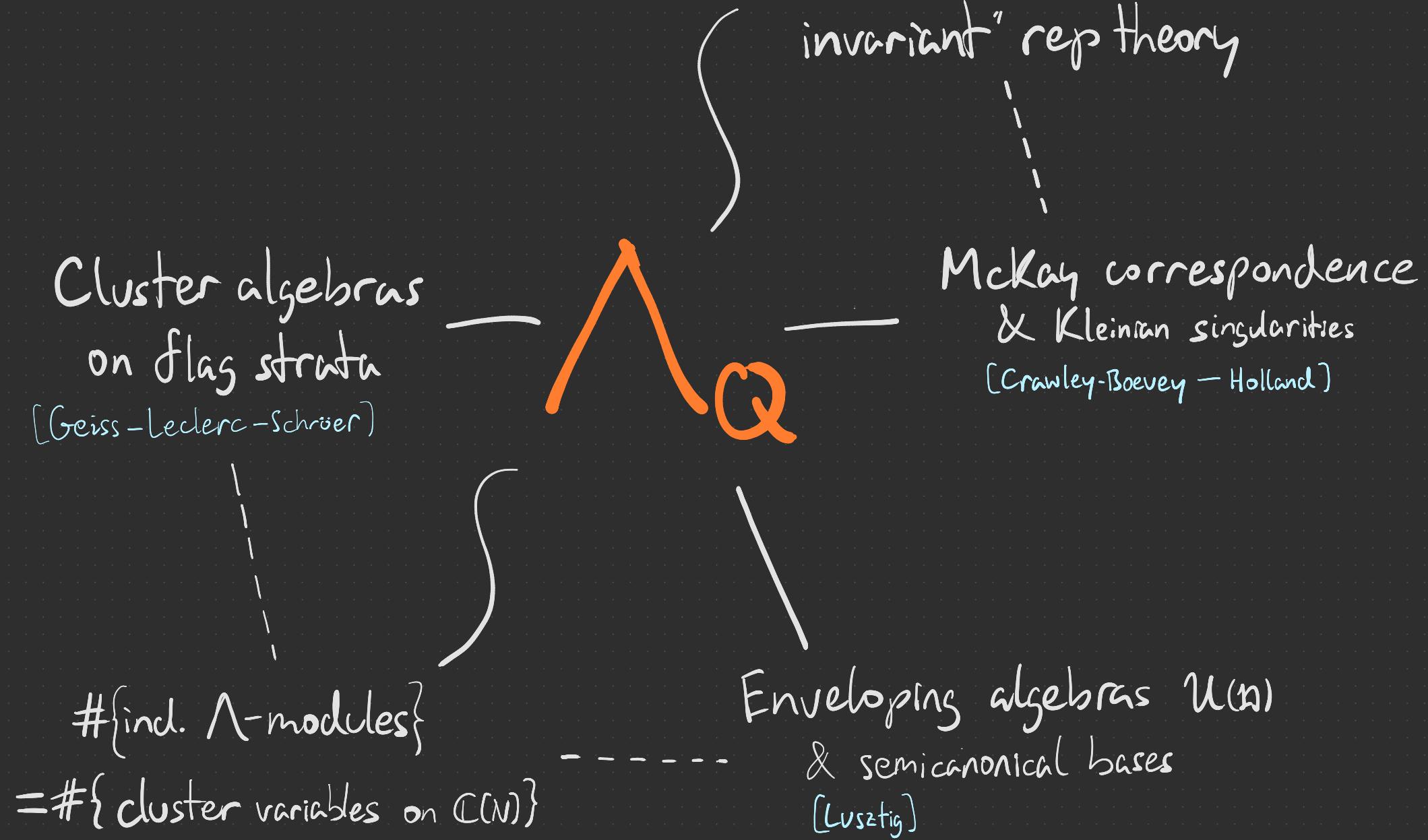
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# Motivation?



# Initial motivation?

$Q = (Q_0, Q_1, s, t)$  a quiver. (Locally finite)

Bernstein, Gelfand, and Ponomarev introduced

- reflection functors  $F_i^\pm : kQ\text{-mod} \rightarrow kQ'\text{-mod}$
- Coxeter functors  $\Phi^\pm = F_{x_n}^\pm F_{x_{n-1}}^\pm \cdots F_{x_1}^\pm : kQ\text{-mod} \rightarrow kQ\text{-mod}$

so named because they mimic actions of simple reflections  
and the Coxeter element in the Weyl group.

# Initial motivation?

Gelfand and Ponomarev sought an algebra which

- contains  $kQ$  as a subalgebra
- as a  $kQ$ -module, decomposes as a direct sum of certain\* indecomposable  $kQ$ -modules.

\*those  $V$  for which  $(\Phi^+)^d(V)$  is projective, for some  $d \geq 0$ .

These would later come to be known as preprojective modules.

# Gelfand & Ponomarev's construction

Doubled quiver  $\bar{Q}$ ,  $\bar{Q}_0 = Q_0$

$$\bar{Q}_1 = Q_1 \sqcup Q_1^*$$

$\forall a \in Q_1, a : s(a) \rightarrow t(a)$

$a^* \in Q_1^*, a^* : t(a) \rightarrow s(a)$   
"opposite arrow"

$J$  two-sided ideal of  $k\bar{Q}$  gen. by:

If  $Q_0$  finite,

$$m_i = \sum_{\substack{a \in Q_1 \\ s(a) = i}} a^* a - \sum_{\substack{b \in Q_1 \\ t(b) = i}} b b^* \quad \forall i \in Q_0$$

$J$  is principal gen. by

$$c = \sum_{i \in Q_0} m_i = \sum_{a \in Q_1} [a^*, a] = \sum_{a \in Q_1} a^* a - a a^*$$

Note  $\forall i \in Q_0$ ,

$$e_i c e_i = m_i.$$

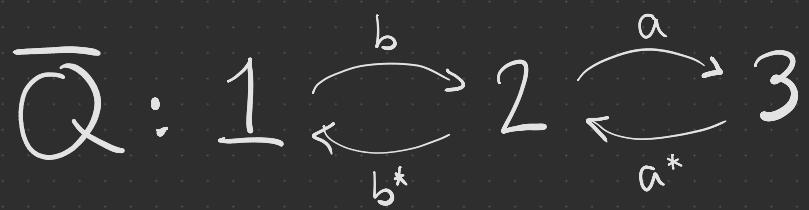
where  $e_i$  is idempotent  
associated to vertex  $i$

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_Q := k\bar{Q}/J$$

Eg: Type A<sub>3</sub>

$$\begin{array}{l} b: 1 \rightarrow 2 \quad a: 2 \rightarrow 3 \\ ab: 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \end{array}$$

$$Q: 1 \xrightarrow{b} 2 \xrightarrow{a} 3 \quad kQ = \langle e_1, e_2, e_3, a, b, ab \rangle$$



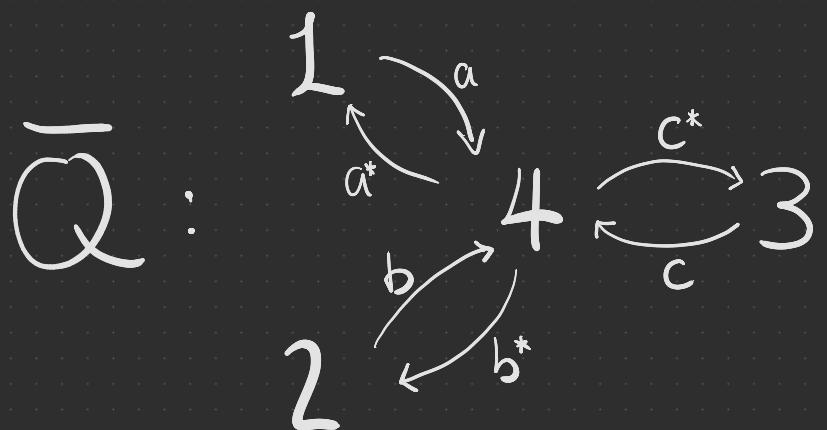
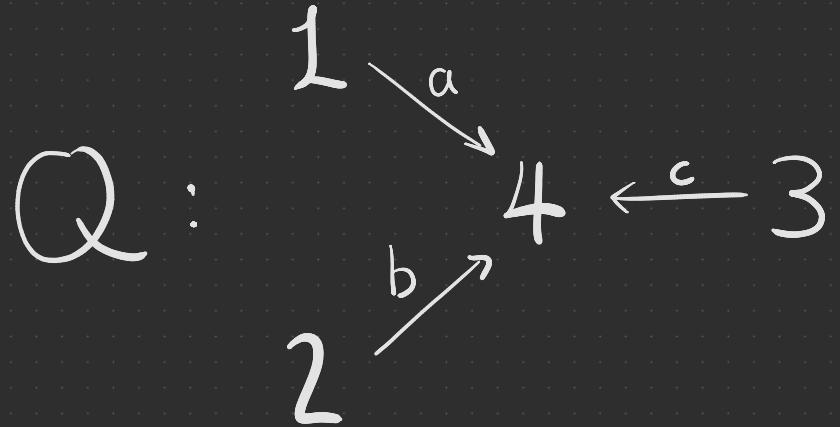
$$m_1 = b^*b$$

$$m_2 = a^*a - bb^*$$

$$m_3 = -aa^*$$

$$\Lambda = k\overline{Q}/J = \langle e_1, e_2, e_3, a, b, ab, a^*, b^*, a^*a = bb^*, b^*a^* \rangle$$

# Eg: Type D<sub>4</sub>



$$kQ = \langle e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, a, b, c \rangle$$

$$M_1 = a^*a, \quad M_2 = b^*b, \quad M_3 = c^*c$$

$$M_4 = -\underline{(aa^* + bb^* + cc^*)}$$

$$\Lambda = \left\langle \begin{array}{ll} e_1, x_{\times 3}, & e_4, x_{\times 3}^*, \\ x^*y_{\times 6}, & aa^*, bb^* \\ xc x^*y_{\times 3}, & x^*yy^* \\ y^*x x^*y_{\times 3}, & xx^*yy^* \end{array} \right\rangle$$

$$a^*bb^*c = \cancel{a^*(-aa^*-cc^*)}c = 0$$

by  $m_4$       by  $m_1, m_3$

Baer-Geigle-Lenzing:  $\Phi = \tau$  AR-translate

"Agree up to a sign change"

Simply define  $\Lambda = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} \text{Hom}_{kQ}(kQ, \tau^{-d}(kQ))$

with algebra structure

$$g: kQ \rightarrow \tau^{-d'}(kQ), \quad f: kQ \rightarrow \tau^{-d}(kQ)$$

$$g * f = \tau^{-d}(g) \circ f : kQ \rightarrow \tau^{-d}(kQ) \rightarrow \tau^{-(d+d')}(kQ)$$

$\text{GP} \longleftrightarrow ? \rightarrow \text{BGL}$  Equivalent by (Ringel)

Why does  $\Lambda = k\bar{Q}/J$  satisfy the desired properties?

Assign a grading to  $k\bar{Q}$ :  $e_i$ , a degree 0 for  $i \in Q_0$ ,  $a \in Q_1$   
 $\uparrow$  [Kleiner]  $a^*$  degree 1 for  $a \in Q_1$

$J$  is homogeneous, gen. by degree 1, gives a grading on  $\Lambda$ .  
 $kQ = \Lambda_0$  subalg of deg 0 elements.

Decomposition:

$$\Lambda = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} \bigoplus_{i \in Q_0} \Lambda_d e_i = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} \bigoplus_{i \in Q_0} e_i \Lambda_d$$

Eg: Type A<sub>3</sub>

$$Q : 1 \xrightarrow{b} 2 \xrightarrow{a} 3 \quad kQ = \langle e_1, e_2, e_3, a, b, ab \rangle$$

$$\bar{Q} : 1 \xrightleftharpoons[b]{a} 2 \xrightleftharpoons[a^*]{b^*} 3$$

$$\Lambda = \langle \underline{e_1, e_2, e_3, a, b, ab}, a^*, b^*, a^*a = bb^*, b^*a^* \rangle$$

$$\Lambda_0 = kQ$$

$$\Lambda_0 e_1 : k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k$$

$$\Lambda_1 e_2 : k \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Lambda_0 e_2 : 0 \rightarrow k \rightarrow k$$

$$\Lambda_1 e_3 : 0 \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Lambda_0 e_3 : 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow k$$

$$\Lambda_2 e_3 : k \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0$$

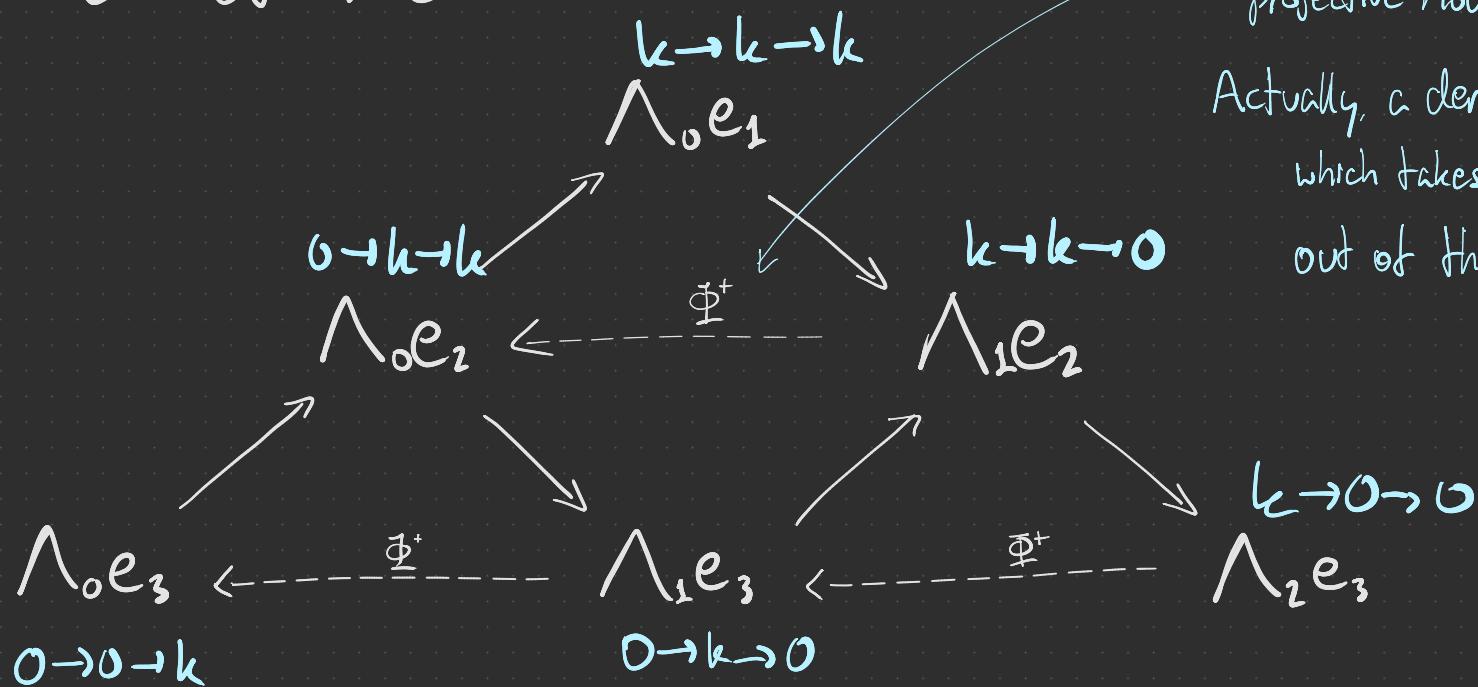
These are the indecomposable modules of  $kQ$ !

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AR-quiver of  $kQ\text{-mod}$ :



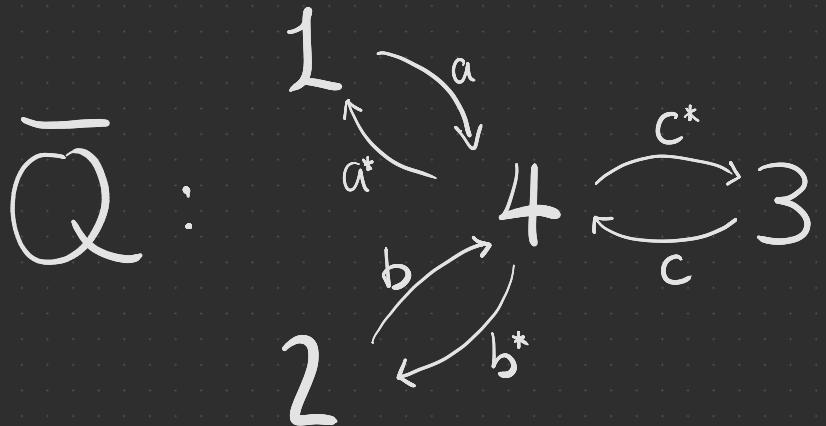
Coxeter functor takes projective modules to 0

Actually, a derived equiv.  
which takes projectives  
out of the heart.

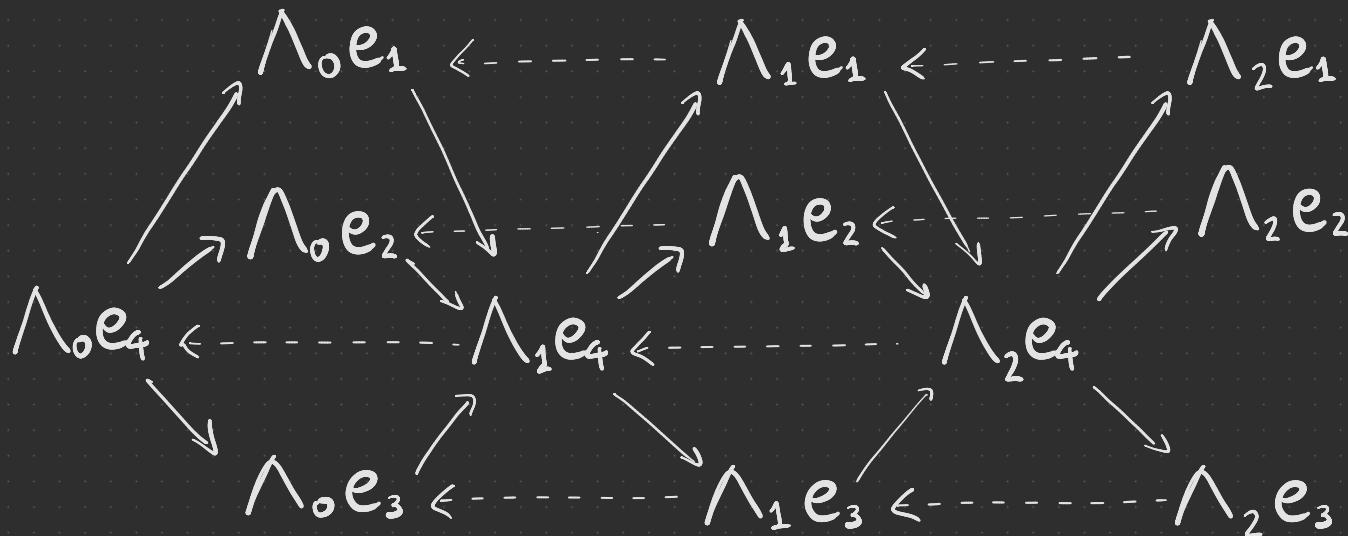
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$$m_4 = -(aa^* + bb^* + cc^*)$$



$$\Lambda = \left\langle e_i, x, \quad e_q, x^*, \right. \\ \left. x^*y, \quad aa^*, bb^* \right. \\ \left. xx^*y, \quad x^*yy^* \right. \\ \left. y^*xx^*y \quad xx^*yy^* \right\rangle$$



# Eg: Kronecker $K_2$

$$Q: 1 \xrightarrow[a]{b} 2$$

$$\bar{Q}: 1 \xleftarrow[b^*]{a^*} 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\wedge_0 e_2: 0 &\Rightarrow k, \quad \wedge_1 e_2: k^2 \Rightarrow k^3, \quad \dots, \quad \wedge_d e_2: k^{2d} \Rightarrow k^{2d+1} \\ \wedge_0 e_1: k &\Rightarrow k^2, \quad \wedge_1 e_1: k^3 \Rightarrow k^4, \quad \dots, \quad \wedge_d e_1: k^{2d+1} \Rightarrow k^{2d+2}\end{aligned}$$

does not include  $k \Rightarrow 0$  injective

# Upgrading tools

Coxeter functor:  $\Phi^\pm = F_{x_1}^\pm \circ \dots \circ F_{x_n}^\pm$

↓ Brenner-Butter-Gabriel

Auslander-Reiten translate:  $\tau = D \underline{Tr}$  Transpose  
↓ Happel-Reiten-Van den Bergh  $\tau^- = Tr \underline{D}$  U.S. dual

Derived AR-translate :  $\tau = S[-1]$

$\tau^{-1} = S^{-1}[1]$

for  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  an "admissible" seq  
of sources/sinks

# Serre functors

Def: In a Hom-finite  $k$ -linear triang. cat.  $\mathcal{D}$

a Serre functor is a triangle equivalence  $S: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$

with bidirectional  $\phi_{XY}: \text{Hom}(X, Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(Y, S(X))^*$

$\downarrow \sim$

$\text{Hom}(S^{-1}(Y), X)^*$  for inverse Serre functor

Reiten & Van den Bergh showed that

$S$  exists  $\iff \mathcal{D}$  has AR-triangles.

# Serre functors on $D^b(A\text{-mod})$ ( $A=kQ$ )

If  $A$  is a fin. dim.  $k$ -algs:

$$S = A^* \otimes_A - \quad , \quad S^{-1} = R\text{Hom}_A(A^*, A) \otimes_A -$$

↑  
k-v.s. dual

If  $A$  is homologically smooth,

(i.e.  $A$  admits a finite resolution by f.g. projective bimodules)

$$S = R\text{Hom}_A(\Theta, -) \quad , \quad S^{-1} = \Theta \otimes_A -$$

where  $\Theta = R\text{Hom}_{A^e}(A, A^e)$ ,  $A^e = A \otimes A^{\text{op}}$ .

# Bimodule resolution of $A = kQ$

$A_0 := kQ_0 = k^{|Q_0|}$ ,  $A_1 = k^{|Q_1|}$ ,  $A$  and  $A_1$  are  $A_0$ - $A_0$  bimodules.

$$0 \rightarrow A \otimes_{A_0} A_1 \otimes_{A_0} A \xrightarrow{\phi} A \otimes_{A_0} A \xrightarrow{\mu} A \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ker \mu &= \langle w \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes w \rangle_{A-A} \\ &= \langle a \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Where  $\mu: a \otimes b \mapsto ab$

$$\phi: 1 \otimes a \otimes 1 \mapsto a \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a$$

# Bimodule resolution of $A = kQ$

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$$\phi: 1 \otimes a \otimes 1 \mapsto a \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a$$

Apply  $\text{Hom}_{A^e}(-, A^e)$ ,

$$\Theta = \text{RHom}_{A^e}(A, A^e)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Hom}_{A^e}(A \otimes_{A_0} A, A^e) & \xrightarrow{\phi^*} & \text{Hom}_{A^e}(A \otimes_{A_0} A_1 \otimes_{A_0} A, A^e) \\
 \left[ \psi_{a \otimes b}: e_i \otimes e_j \mapsto e_{t(a)} \otimes e_{s(b)} \right] & \uparrow \approx & \downarrow \approx \left[ \psi: e_{t(a)} \otimes a \otimes e_{s(a)} \mapsto e_{t(a)}(a' \otimes a'' \otimes e_{s(b)}) \right] \\
 A \otimes_{A_0} A & \longrightarrow & A \otimes_{A_0} A_1^* \otimes_{A_0} A \quad \sum_a a''_y \otimes a^* \otimes a'_y \\
 1 \otimes 1 \mapsto \sum_{a \in Q_1} 1 \otimes a^* \otimes a - a \otimes a^* \otimes 1 & & \text{dual "flips" } A_0 \text{ left/right actions} \\
 e_j \cdot a^* \cdot e_i(x) = a^*(e_i \cdot x \cdot e_j) & &
 \end{array}$$

# Bimodule resolution of $A = kQ$

So  $\Theta = \text{RHom}_{A^e}(A, A^e)$  is

$$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow[0]{} A^{\otimes_{A_0} A} \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow[1]{} A_1^* \otimes_{A_0} A \longrightarrow 0$$

$$1 \otimes 1 \longmapsto \sum_{a \in Q_1} 1 \otimes a^* \otimes a - a \otimes a^* \otimes 1$$

Observe  $H^0(\Theta[1]) = \bigwedge_1 = \mathcal{T}(kQ)$

$$\bigoplus_{d \geq 0} (\Theta[1])^{\otimes d} \quad \text{with } \Theta[1]^{\otimes 0} = kQ$$

Tensor algebra  $\Pi = T_{\underline{kQ}}(\overset{=}{\Theta[1]})$ .  $H^0(\Pi) = \bigwedge$ .



$\Pi \simeq_{Q \text{ is so}} \bigwedge_Q$  iff  $Q$  is non dynkin

# Preprojective property or $\Phi$

It is also now clear why  $\tau(\Lambda_{dei}) = \Lambda_{d+1}e_i$

$$\begin{aligned}\tau^-(\Lambda_{dei}) &= \Theta[1] \stackrel{L}{\otimes_A} \Lambda_{dei} \\ &= [A \stackrel{-1}{\otimes_{A_0}} \Lambda_{dei} \longrightarrow A \stackrel{\circ}{\otimes_{A_0}} A_1^* \otimes_{A_0} \Lambda_{dei}] \\ 1 \otimes x &\longmapsto \sum_{a \in Q_1} 1 \otimes a^* \otimes ax - a \otimes a^* \otimes x\end{aligned}$$

has cohomology  $\Lambda_{d+1}e_i$  in degree 0.

Sketch:

# Tilting & Reflections



# Reflection functors



For  $x \in Q_0$  a sink, have

$$F_x^+ : kQ\text{-mod} \rightarrow k(\sigma_x Q)\text{-mod}, (V_i, \varphi_a) \mapsto (\tilde{V}_i, \tilde{\varphi}_a)$$

- $\tilde{V}_i = V_i \quad \forall i \neq x, \quad \tilde{\varphi}_{a^*} = \varphi_a \text{ if } t(a) \neq x$

- $0 \rightarrow \tilde{V}_x \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{a \in Q_1 \\ t(a)=x}} V_{s(a)} \xrightarrow{\oplus \varphi_a} V_x \rightarrow 0$

Dually,  $F_x^- : kQ\text{-mod} \rightarrow k(\sigma_x X)\text{-mod}$  for  $x \in Q_0$  source.

# Tilting hearts of t-structures

A heart of a bounded t-structure on  $\mathcal{D}$

Given torsion pair  $(T, F)$  on  $A$ ,

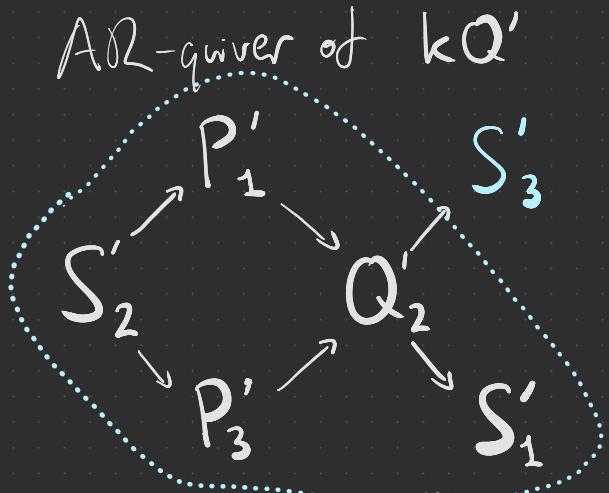
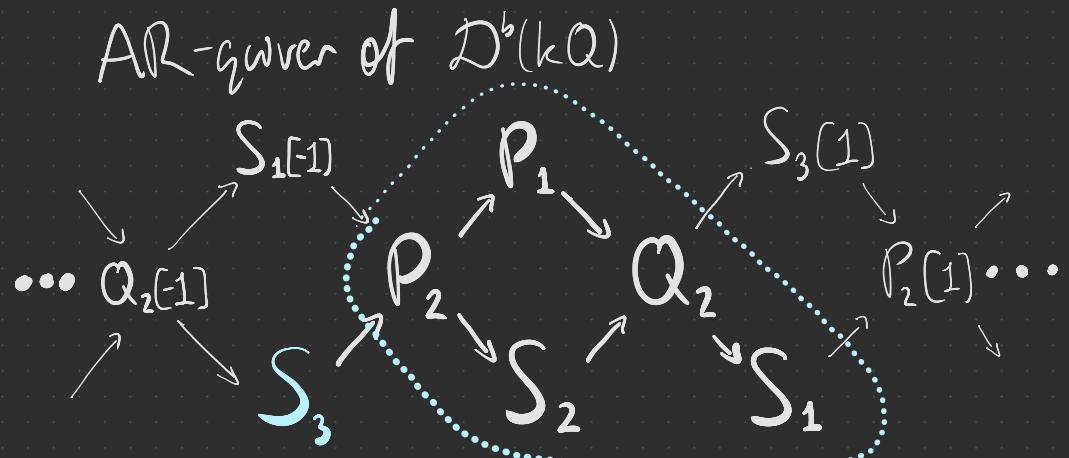
can "tilt" to a new heart  $B = \langle F[1], T \rangle_{\text{ext}}$

# Reflections as tilts

$F_x^+$  turns out to be tilting wrt

the torsion pair  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F}) = (\perp S_x, \text{add } S_x)$   
 $\{X \in \mathcal{A} \mid \text{Hom}(X, S_x) = 0\}$

Eg:  $Q: 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3, x=3, Q' = \sigma_3 Q: 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$



# Composition of tilts

A heart of a bdd t-str on a triang. cat  $\mathcal{D}$

$A \rightarrow B$  tilt at  $(T, F)$  followed by

$B \rightarrow C$  tilt at  $(T', F')$

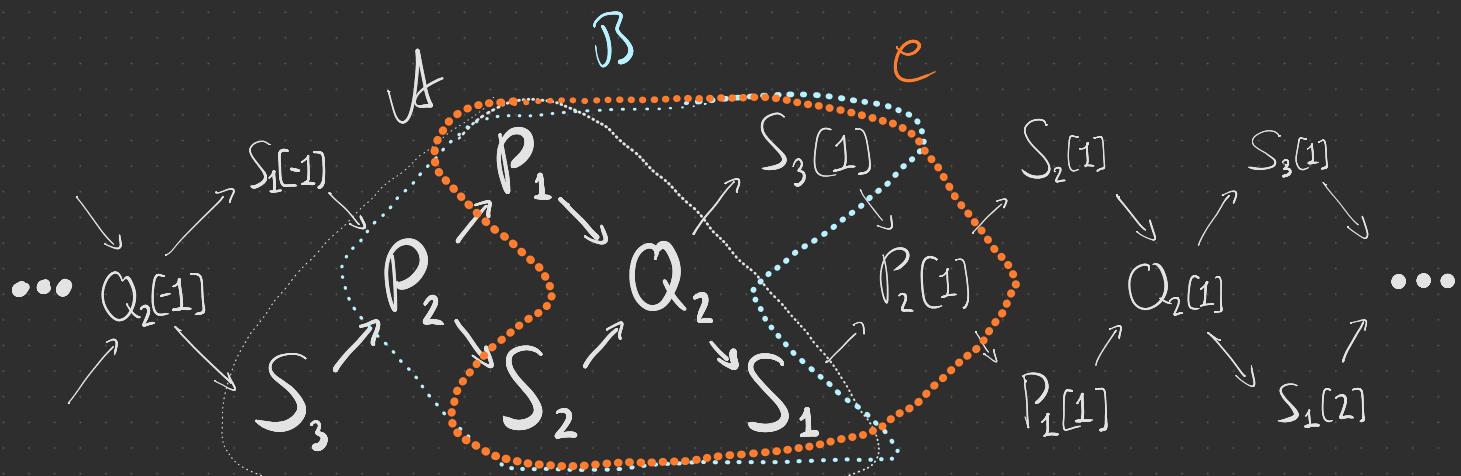
with  $F' \subset T$

is given by  $A \rightarrow C$  tilt at  $(T'', F'')$ ,

where  $T'' = T \cap T'$ ,  $F'' = \{X \in A \mid t(X) \in F'\}$

# Composition of tilts

Eg:  $Q: 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$        $\mathcal{A}$       tilt at  $(^{\perp}S_3, \text{add } S_3)$   
 $Q': 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$        $\mathcal{B}$       tilt at  $(^{\perp}\{S_3, P_2\}, \text{add } (P_2 \circ S_3))$   
 $Q'': 1 \leftarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$        $\mathcal{C}$       tilt at  $(^{\perp}S_2, \text{add } S_2)$



- The compatibility  $F' \circ T$  is satisfied for admissible reflection functors.
- View the derived Coxeter functor as a composition of tilts
- Thus will be a shift of the Serre functor.

# Generalisations

- Higher [Iyama-Oppermann] "gl.dim > 1"
- Ginzburg [Ginzburg, Keller-Yang] "different dg-alg,  
better CY properties"
- Deformed [Crawley-Boevey - Holland] "Deform the relation,  
related to deformed Kleinian sing."
- Multiplicative [Crawley-Boevey - Shaw, Kaplan-Schedler]  
"Loculise by commutators"