

# WHY THE RETURN TO PICTURES IN ALGEBRA?

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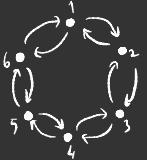
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Examples





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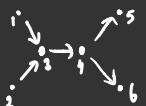
Representation Theory

Algebraic Geometry

QUIVERS

Category Theory

Physics



Topological Data Analysis

$$1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$$

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$$\frac{\mathbb{C}\Theta}{I} = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{C}} \left\{ e_1, \alpha, \alpha^2 \right\} \quad \text{a quotient of the path algebra } \mathbb{C}\Theta.$$

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↪ There are exactly 3 indecomposable representations:

$$k \leftarrow 0 , \quad k \xleftarrow{\sim} k , \quad 0 \leftarrow k$$

Example :

$$\text{Or : } i \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} & \\ 3 & \\ & \end{smallmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{smallmatrix} & \\ 2 & \\ & \end{smallmatrix}$$

A representation :

$$V = \begin{matrix} k^2 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & k^2 \\ \begin{bmatrix} & 1 \\ 0 & \end{bmatrix} & & \begin{bmatrix} & \\ 1 & \\ & \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

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Example :

$$i \curvearrowleft \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha^3 = 0.$$

A representation :  $\mathbb{C}^3 \curvearrowright \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

where notice that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^3 = 0$ .

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→ Then  $V$  is just a functor from  $\mathcal{C}$  to finite dimensional vector spaces:

$$V : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{mod } k$$

Example :

$$\text{Or : } i \rightarrow \dot{i} \leftarrow \ddot{i}$$

A representation :

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$\rightsquigarrow \text{Rep}(\Theta)$  or  $\text{Rep}(\Theta, I)$  is the category of quiver representations.

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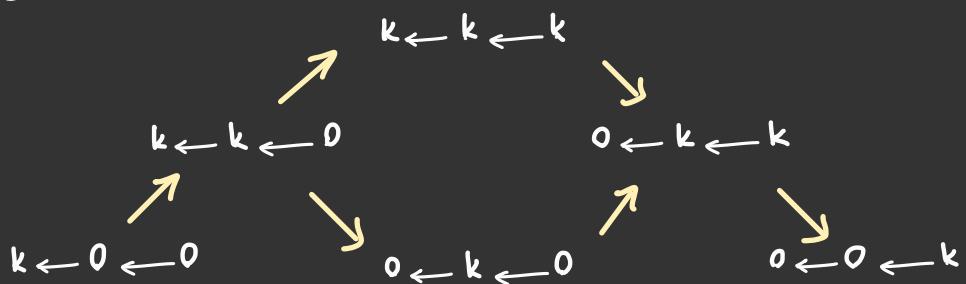
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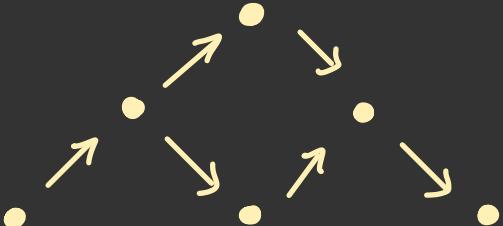


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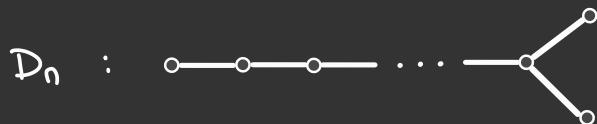
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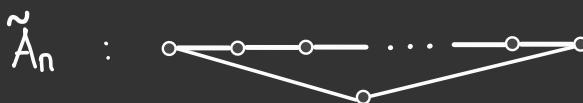


THEOREM (GABRIEL '72)

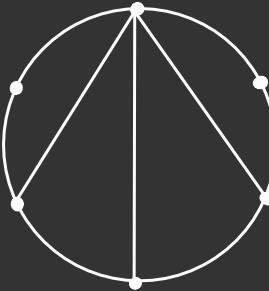
$\alpha$  is a Dynkin diagram iff  $k\alpha$  has finitely many indecomposable/iso.



# TAME HEREDITARY ALGEBRAS

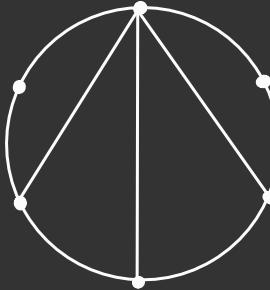


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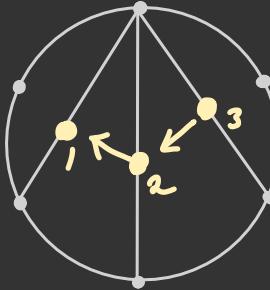
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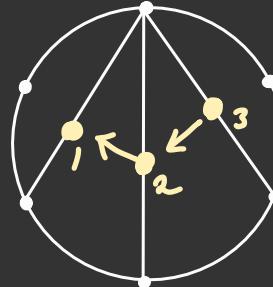
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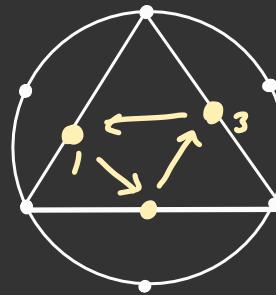


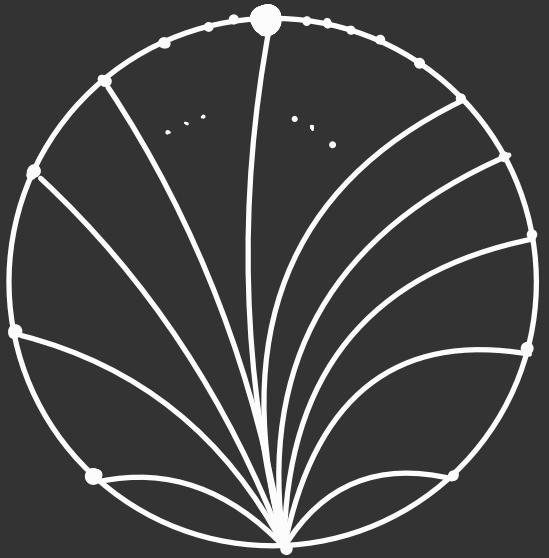
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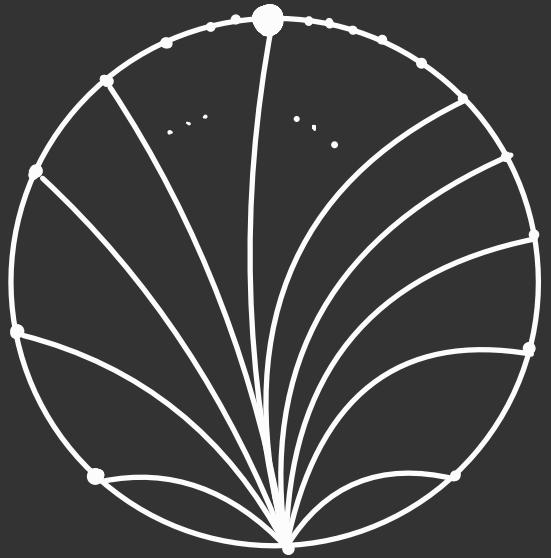
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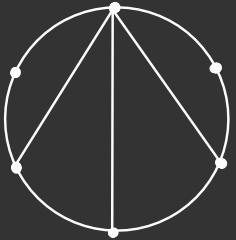




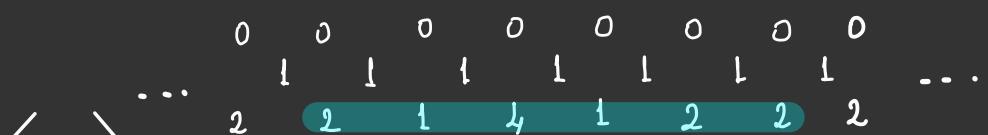
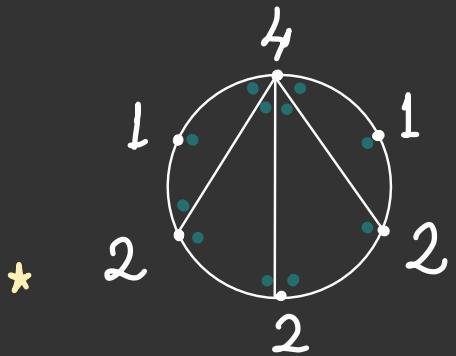
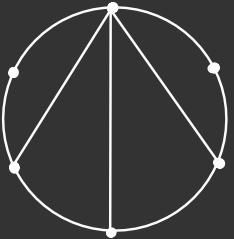
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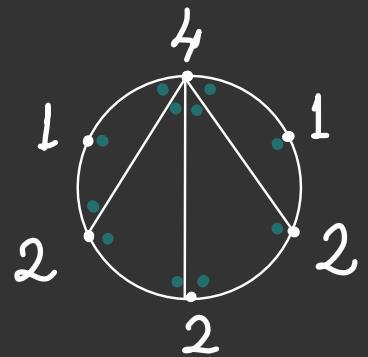
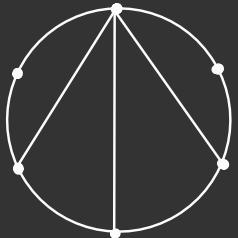
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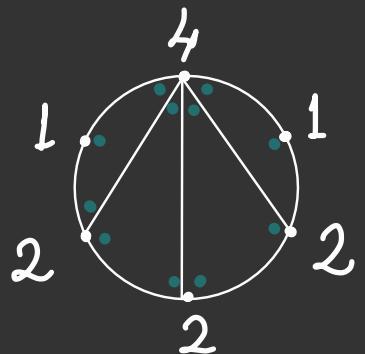
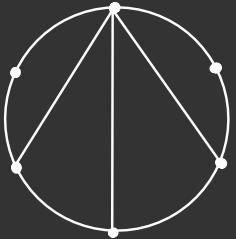
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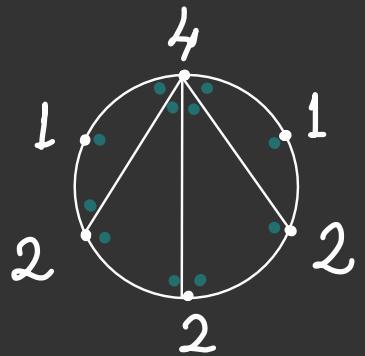
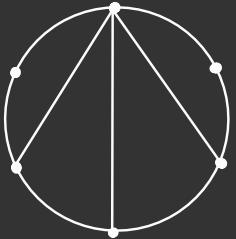
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?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

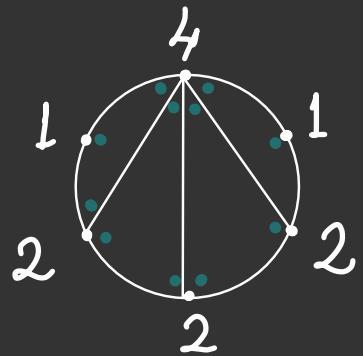
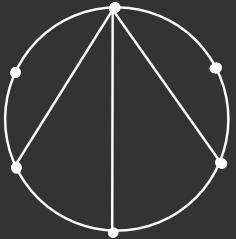
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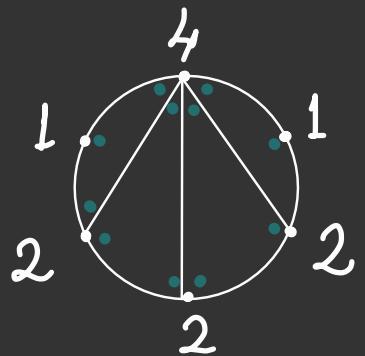
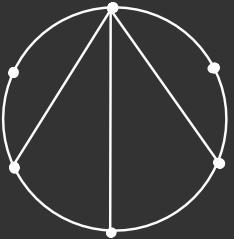
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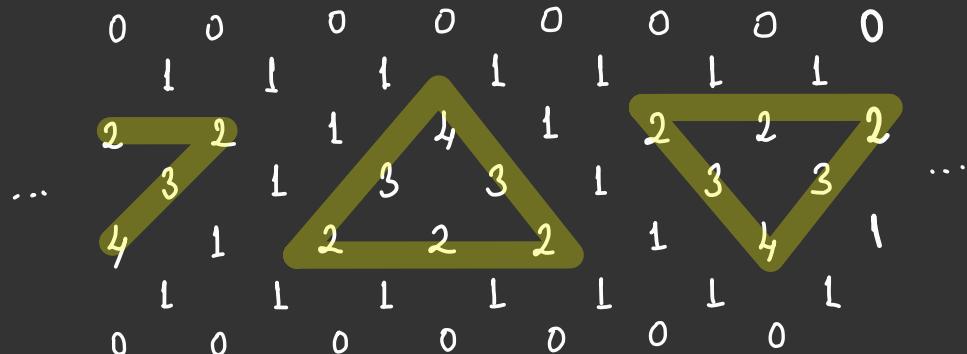
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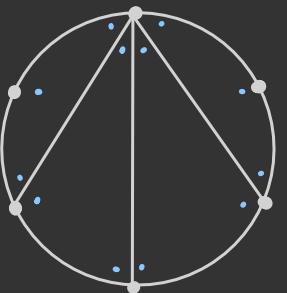
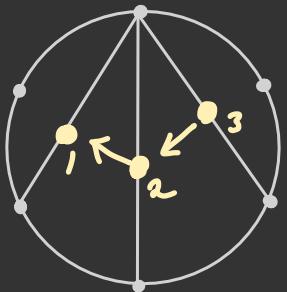
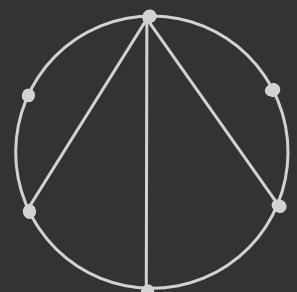
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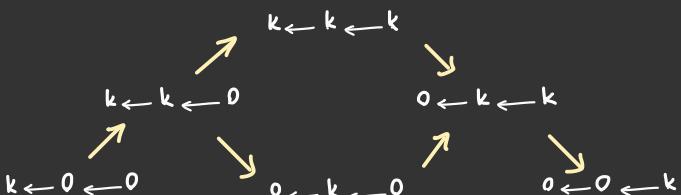
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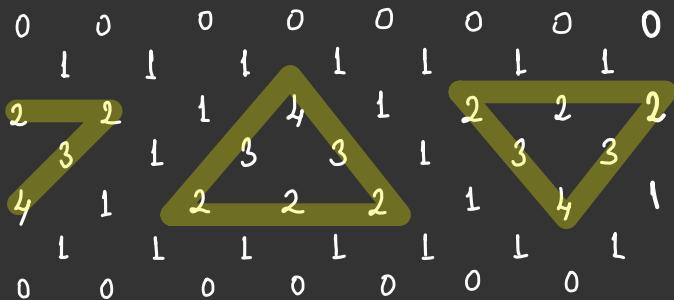
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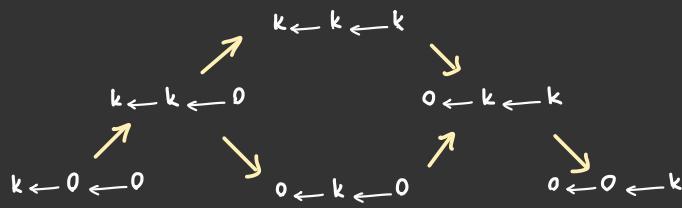
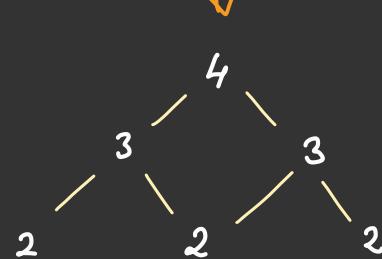


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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
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$\begin{matrix} & 4 \\ & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{matrix}$

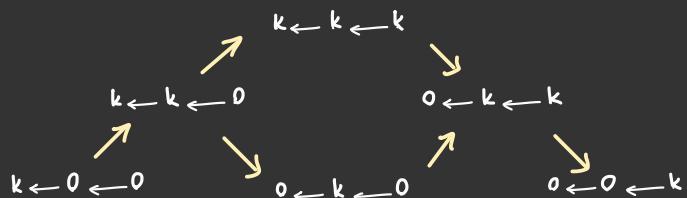


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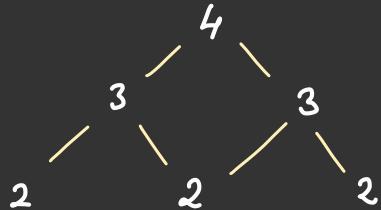
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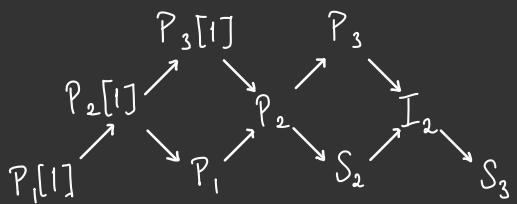


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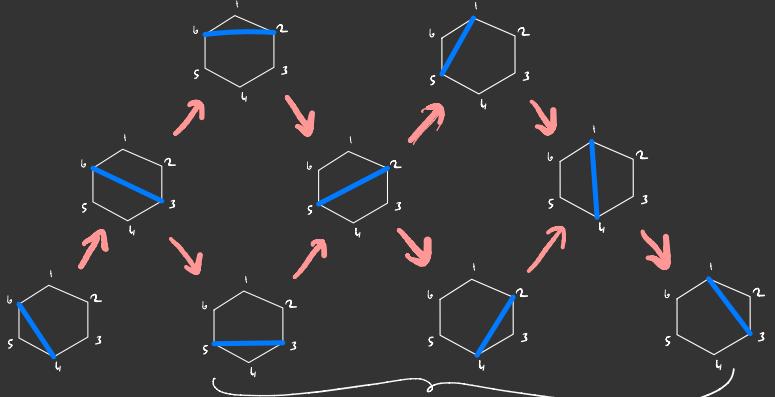
# EXTRA :

$\mathcal{C}$  : hexagon



' $A_3$  cluster category'

$\mathcal{C}'$



$\text{rep}(\sigma)$

Cluster category

# CONWAY - COXETER

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triangulations of $(n+3)$ -gon	$\longleftrightarrow$	finite friezes of width $n$
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What about other friezes that never end?

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
⋮							

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	2	2	2	4	2	2	4
7	7	3	7	7	3	7	7
12	10	10	12	10	10	10	10
⋮							

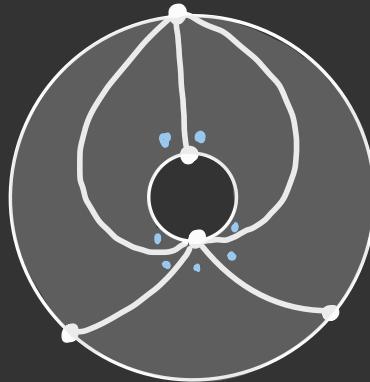
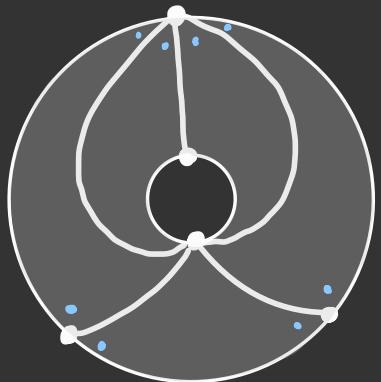
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Baur - Parsons - Tschabold '15

Every periodic infinite frieze comes from a triangulation  
of annulus.





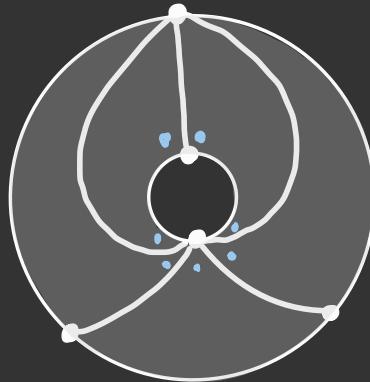
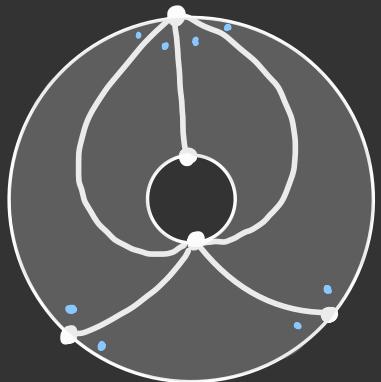
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12	10	10	12	10	10	10	

⋮

0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
2	5	2	5	2
9	9	9	9	9
40	16	40	40	

⋮

⋮



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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	4
...								
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0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
2	5	2	5	2
9	9	9	9	9
40	16	40	40	40

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Baur - Fellner - Parsons - Tschabold

The growth coefficient is the same for both of  
the friezes in an annulus.

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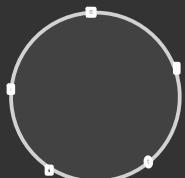
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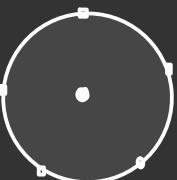
THEOREM (GABRIEL '72)

$\alpha$  is a Dynkin diagram iff  $k\alpha$  has finitely many indecomposable/iso.

$$A_n : \circ - \circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$$



$$D_n : \circ - \circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ | \\ \circ \end{array}$$



$$E_6 : \circ - \circ - \circ - \circ - \circ - \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ | \\ \circ \end{array}$$

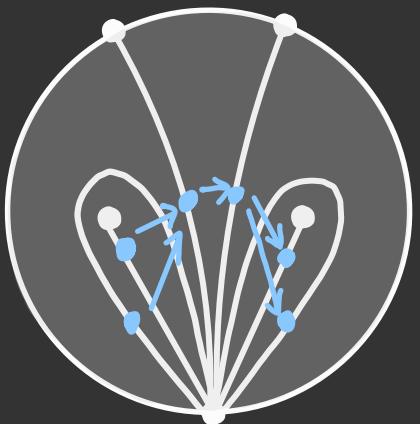
$$E_7 : \circ - \circ - \circ - \circ - \circ - \circ - \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ | \\ \circ \end{array}$$

$$E_8 : \circ - \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ | \\ \circ \end{array}$$

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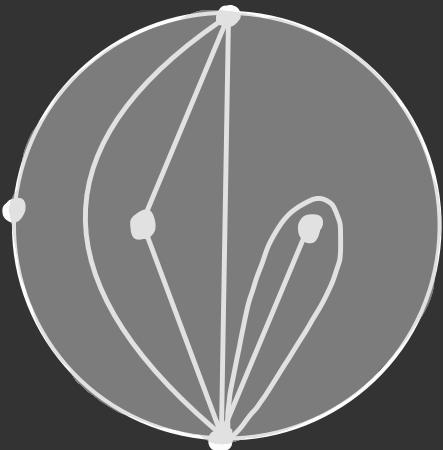
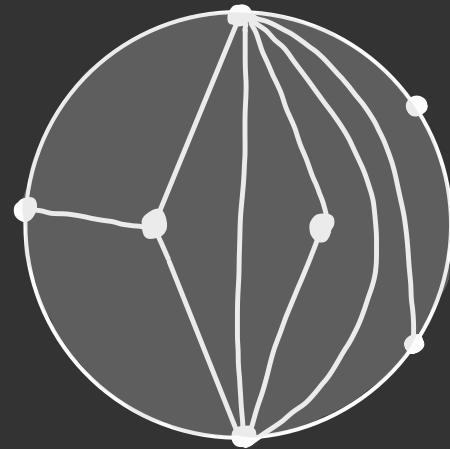
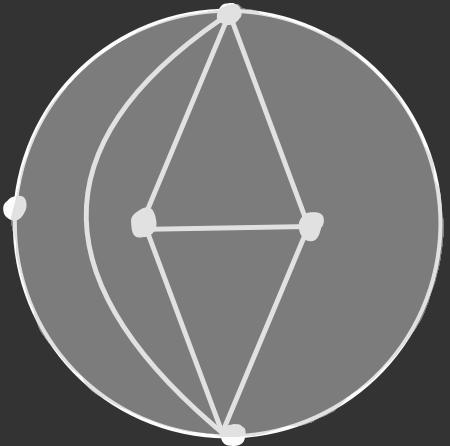
$$\tilde{A}_n : \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccc} \circ & \cdots & \circ & \cdots & \circ & \cdots & \circ & \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{D}_n : \quad \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \circ & \cdots & \circ & \cdots & \circ \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \circ & \cdots & \circ & \cdots & \circ \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{E}_6 : \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccc} & & & \circ & & & & & \\ & & & | & & & & & \\ & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ & \\ & & & | & & | & & | & \\ & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ & \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{E}_7 : \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccc} & & & & \circ & & & & \\ & & & & | & & & & \\ & & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ \\ & & & & | & & | & & | \\ & & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{E}_8 : \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccc} & & & & & \circ & & & \\ & & & & & | & & & \\ & & & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ \\ & & & & & | & & | & & | \\ & & & & & \circ & & \circ & & \circ \end{array}$$





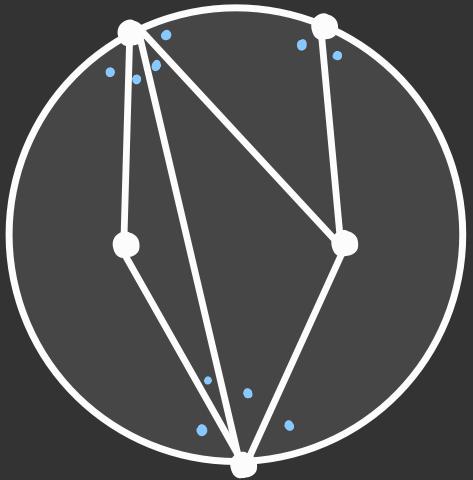
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2	4	4	2	4	4	2	4	4	2	...
7	15	7	7	15	7	7	15	7	7	...
26	26	24	26	26	45	89	89	45	26	...
45	89	99	24	26	45	89	89	45	26	...

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	4	4	2	4	4	2	4	4	2	...
7	15	7	7	15	7	7	15	7	7	...
26	26	24	26	26	45	89	89	45	26	...
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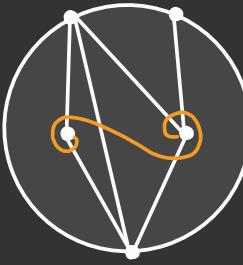
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	23	23	23	23	23	23		

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1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	...
2	1	12	1	2	1	12	2	...
	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	
	44	44	44	44	44	44	12	

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$$\dots \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 6 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 4 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 6 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 4 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \dots \end{matrix}$$

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$$\dots \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 12 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 12 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 23 \end{matrix} & \dots \end{matrix}$$

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The growth coefficient is the same for all three friezes of twice-punctured disk.

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for  $q = (20, 8, 1, 14, 11, 25, 15, 21)$