

# Geometric models of Ginzburg algebras

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## Plan

- 1) Introduction: gentle algebras and Ginzburg algebras
- 2) Gluing for gentle algebras
- 3) Gluing for Ginzburg algebras

Why care about these algebras?

- Categorification of cluster algebras
- Relation to Fukaya categories
- Related to each other via the Jacobian algebra.

# 1) Gentle algebras

$KQ/I$  is gentle if

\*  $Q$  is a quiver w/ vertices of valency  $\leq 4$

\*  $I \subset KQ$  ideal generated by paths of length 2, s.t. for all  $a \in Q_1$  there exist

at most one  $b \in Q_1$  w/  $0 \neq ab \in I$

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w/  $0 \neq ab \notin I$

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w/  $0 \neq ba \in I$

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$KQ/I$  can be infinite dimensional

## Examples

\*  $Q = 1 \xrightarrow{a} 2 \xrightarrow{b} 3$  ( $I = (0)$ )

\*  $Q = 1 \xrightarrow{a} 2 \xrightarrow{b} 3$  ( $I = (ba)$ )

\*  $Q =$  

\*  $Q = 1 \rightrightarrows 2$  Kronecker quiver

Geometric (surface) model for  $\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(kQ/I)$

$[H4k, LP, BS, OPS]$

- describe all indecomposables in terms of (homotopy classes of) curves in an oriented marked surface with  $M \subset \partial S$
- describe Hom's in terms of intersections
- ...

## Relative Ginzburg algebras of triangulated surfaces

Fix an oriented marked surface w/ triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$

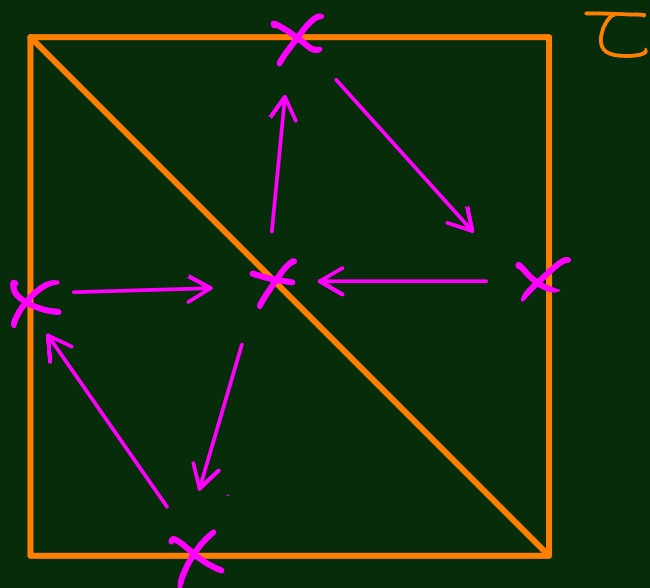
closed or w/ boundary (vertices of  $\mathcal{T}$  = marked points)

Define the quiver  $Q_{\mathcal{T}}$  with

\* vertices = edges of  $\mathcal{T}$

use only internal edges for  
non-relative Ginzburg algebra

\* arrows = clockwise 3-cycle  $T(f)$   
for each face  $f$ .



Form the graded quiver  $\tilde{Q}_\tau$  with

\* Vertices of  $\tilde{Q}_\tau$  = vertices of  $Q_\tau$   
and arrows

\*  $a: i \rightarrow j$  degree 0 for  $a: i \rightarrow j \in (Q_\tau)_1$

\*  $a^*: j \rightarrow i$  degree 1 for  $a: i \rightarrow j \in (Q_\tau)_1$

\*  $l_i: i \rightarrow i$  degree 2 for  $i \in (Q_\tau)_0$  given by an internal edge

### Definition

The relative Ginzburg algebra  $\mathcal{G}_\tau = (\mathcal{U}\tilde{Q}_\tau, d)$   
is the (non-complete) path algebra of  $\tilde{Q}_\tau$  with

\*  $d(a) = 0$  potential

\*  $d(a^*) = \partial_a \sum_{\text{faces}} T(f)$  (cyclic derivative)

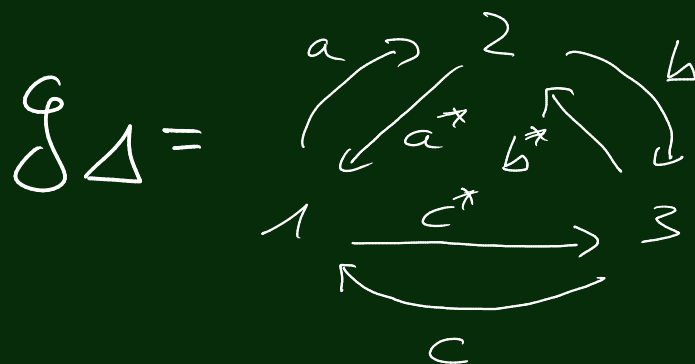
\*  $d(l_i) = \sum_{a \in (Q_\tau)_1} p_i [a, a^*] p_i$   
 $\hat{=}$  lazy path

## Remark

- 1) The potential  $\sum_T(f)$  is in most cases degenerate if  $f$  has no internal marked points.
- 2)  $\mathcal{F}_T = H_0(\mathcal{F}_T)$  is a gentle algebra (generalizing [ABCP]) and finite dim. if  $S$  has no internal marked points.

## Examples

1)  $T = \triangle$

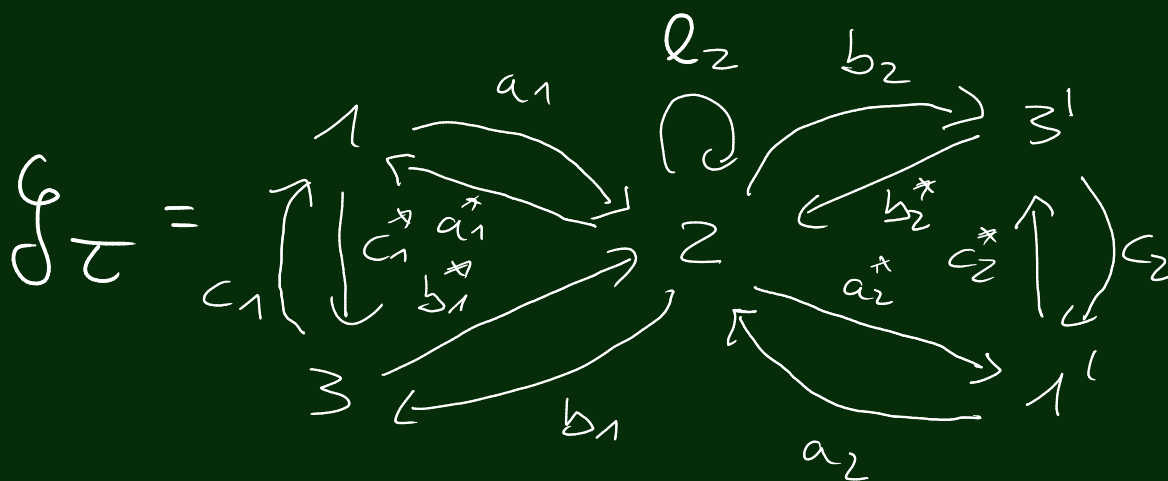


$$d(a^*) = cb$$

$$d(b^*) = ac$$

$$d(c^*) = ba$$

2)  $T = \square$



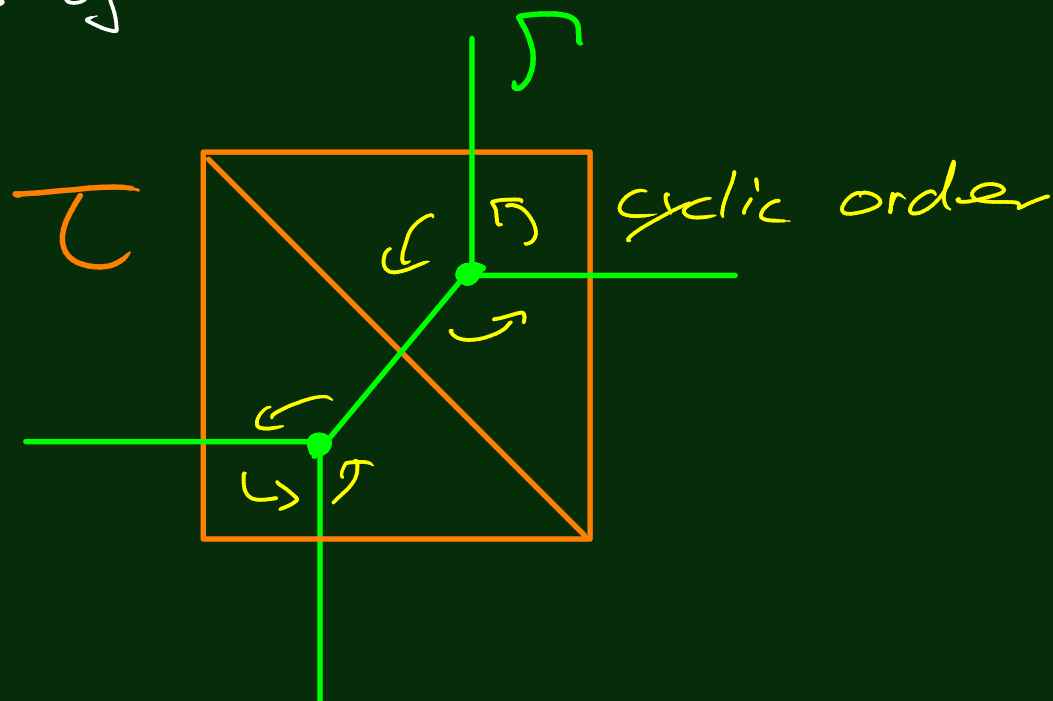
$$d(a_i^*) = c_i b_i \text{ for } i=1,2 \text{ + cyclic permutations}$$

$$d(Q_2) = a_1 a_1^* + a_2 a_2^* - b_1^* b_1 - b_2^* b_2$$

Dual ribbon graph  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  :

\* vertices  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \text{faces of } \mathcal{T}$

\* edges  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \text{edges of } \mathcal{T}$



Geometric model for (non-relative) Ginzburg algebra  
of triangulated surface (w/o interior marked points)

[Qiu, Zhou]

- Describe (some) modules in terms of curves in  $S \setminus (Mu)_0$

including 3-spherical simples and projectives

- Describe Hom's in terms of intersections

...

## 2) $\mathcal{F}$ (uing for gentle algebras

Describe  $\mathcal{D}(kQ/I)$  as colimit of

constructible cosheaf of stable  $\infty$ -categories

on a ribbon graph  $\mathcal{T}$

with vertices on  $\partial S$ .

locally constant on strata  
= edges (vertices  
of  $\mathcal{T}$

Define poset  $\text{Entry}(\mathcal{T})$  w/

\* objects vertices and edges of  $\mathcal{T}$

\* morphism  $e \rightarrow v$  if edge  $e$  incident to vertex  $v$ .

Constructible cosheaf on  $\mathcal{T}$ :

$$\mathcal{T} = \underset{\bullet}{v} \xrightarrow{e} \underset{\bullet}{v'}$$

$$\text{Entry}(\mathcal{T}) = \underset{v'}{\swarrow} \xrightarrow{e} \underset{v}{\searrow}$$

functor  $\mathcal{F}: \text{Entry}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_k$

$k$ -linear  $\infty$ -categories,

colimits modeled by  $\text{dgCat}_k$  w/ Morita model structure

\*  $\mathcal{F}(v) = \mathcal{D}(A_n)$  for  $v$  vertex of valency  $n$  w/

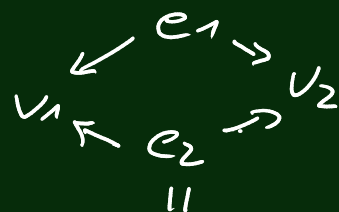
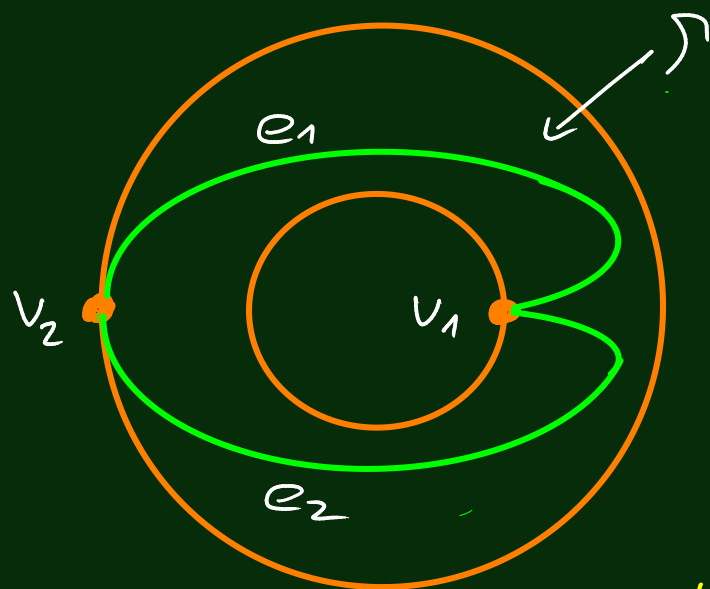
$$A_n = 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow n$$

← all composites  
are zero

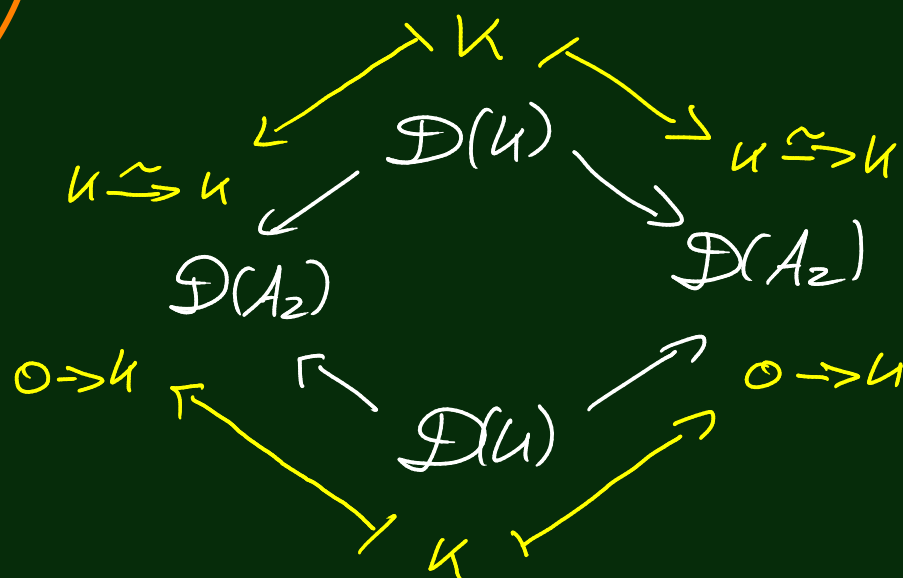
\*  $\mathcal{F}(e) = \mathcal{D}(A_1) = \mathcal{D}(k)$

for each edge  $e$ .

Example:  $S$  = twice marked annulus



$\mathcal{F}: \text{Entry}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_k$   
is the diagram



Colimit:

$\mathcal{D}(k_2)$  w/  $k_2 = \bullet \rightrightarrows \bullet$  Kronecker quiver

$\mathcal{D}(\text{Coh } \mathbb{P}^1)$

Goal: Use the gluing construction to construct objects and morphisms in  $\mathcal{D}(k \oplus I)$  from local data.

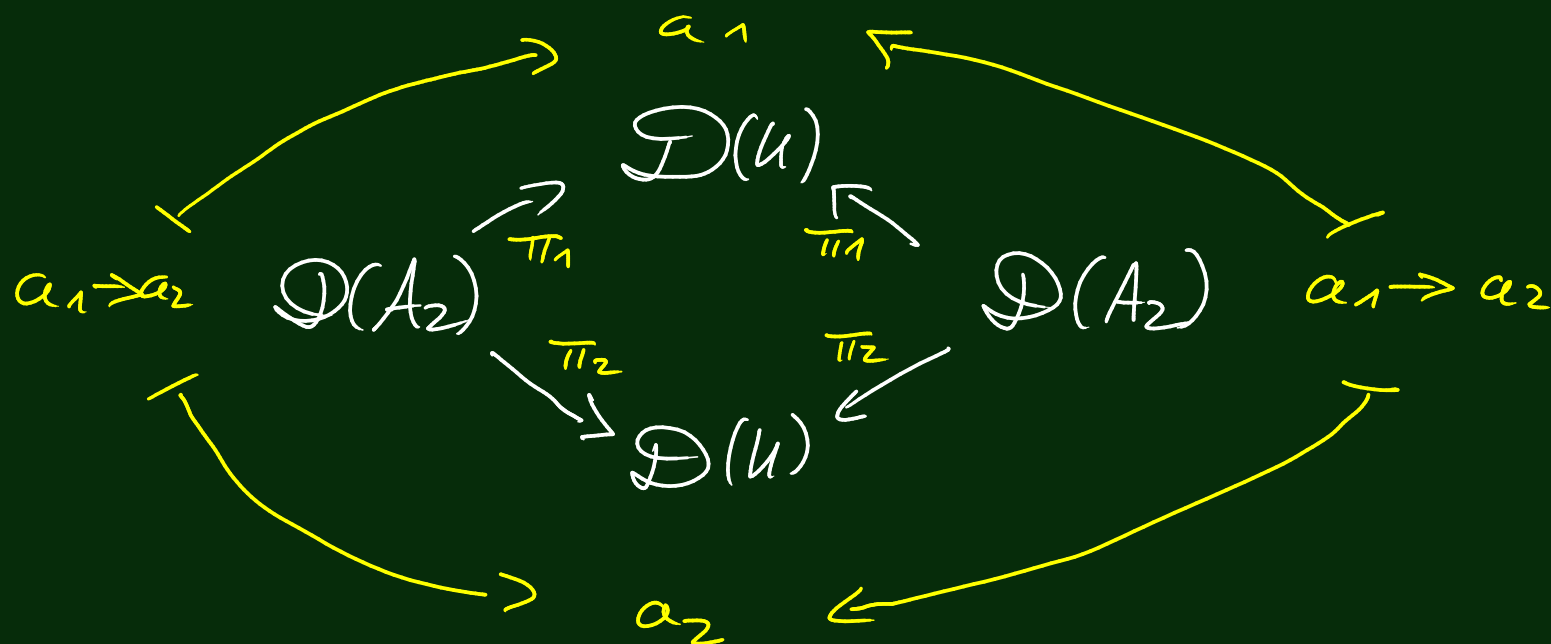


## Remarkable fact from $\infty$ -category theory

The **colimit** of a constructible cosheaf  $\mathcal{F}: \text{Entry}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_u$  is equivalent to the **limit** of the right adjoint diagram

Constructible sheaf on  $\mathcal{T} \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{Rad}_\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}): \text{Entry}(\mathcal{T})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_u$

Right adjoint of  $\mathcal{F}$ :



Limits of  $\infty$ -categories are well behaved:

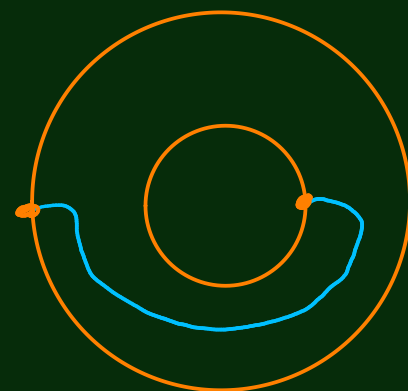
- \* objects are sections of the diagram
- \* morphisms are natural transformations between sections

# Sections of $\text{Rad}_S(\mathcal{F})$

# Geometric interpretation

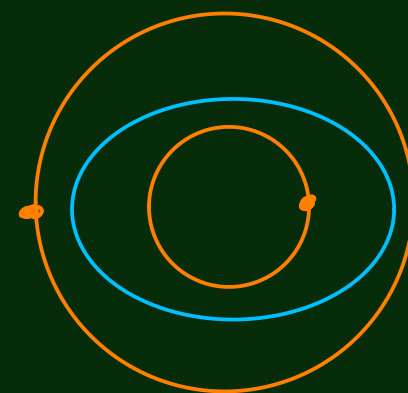
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \mathcal{O} & & \\ & \nearrow & & \nwarrow & \\ (\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}) & & & & (\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}) \\ & \searrow & & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{U} & & \end{array}$$

$= \mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1})$   
line bundle



$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \mathcal{U} & & \\ & \nearrow & & \nwarrow & \\ (\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\cdot 1} \mathcal{U}) & & & & (\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\cdot \lambda} \mathcal{U}) \\ & \searrow & & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{U} & & \end{array}$$

$= \mathcal{U}_\lambda \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1})$   
skyscraper sheaf



$\uparrow$  glue

Local sections

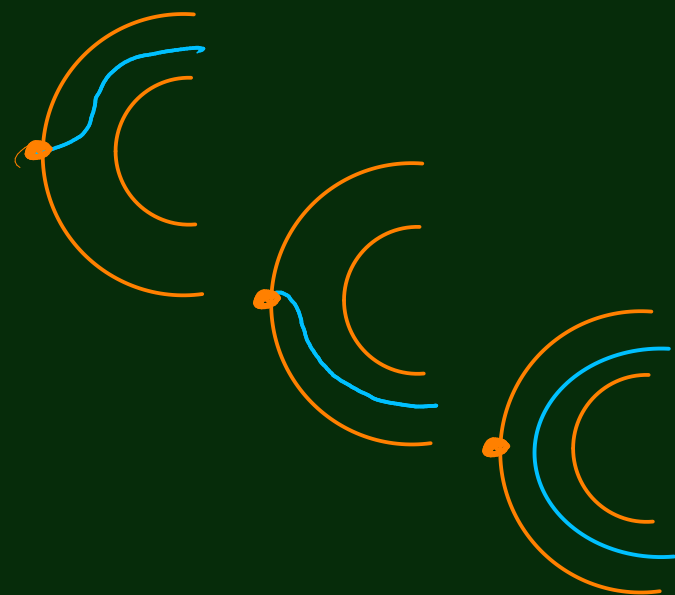
$\uparrow$  glue

Curve segments

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}) & \nearrow & \mathcal{U} \\ & \searrow & \mathcal{O} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}) & \nearrow & \mathcal{O} \\ & \searrow & \mathcal{U} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{U}) & \rightarrow & \mathcal{U} \\ & \rightarrow & \mathcal{U} \end{array}$$



### 3) gluing for Fuchs algebras

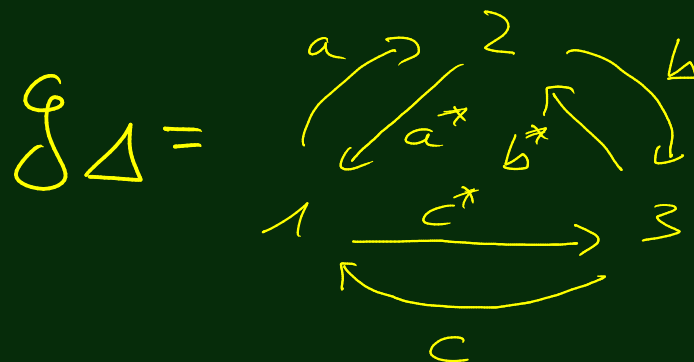
$\mathcal{T}$  ideal triangulation of  $S$

$\mathcal{P}$  dual ribbon graph

Define cosheaf  $\mathcal{F}: \text{Entry}(\mathcal{P}) \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_k$  w/

$$\star \mathcal{F}(v) = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}_\Delta)$$

$v$  vertex of  $\mathcal{P}$



$$\star \mathcal{F}(e) = \mathcal{D}(k[t_1])$$

$e$  edge of  $\mathcal{P}$

$$k[t_1] = \mathcal{P}^{t_1} \quad |t_1| = 1$$

polynomial algebra

$$\star \mathcal{F}(e \rightarrow v) = \varphi_!: \mathcal{D}(k[t_1]) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}_\Delta)$$

$$\varphi: k[t_1] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_\Delta$$

$$\star 1 \mapsto 2$$

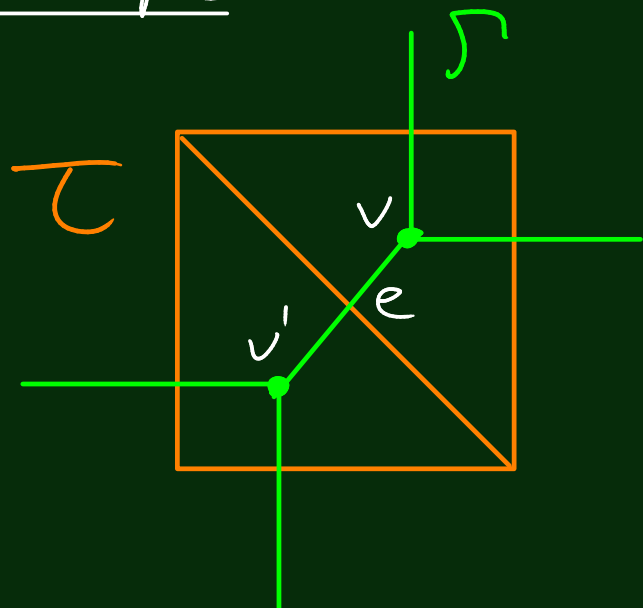
$$t_1 \mapsto \pm(aa^* - b^*b)$$

up to cyclic  
permutations of  
1, 2, 3

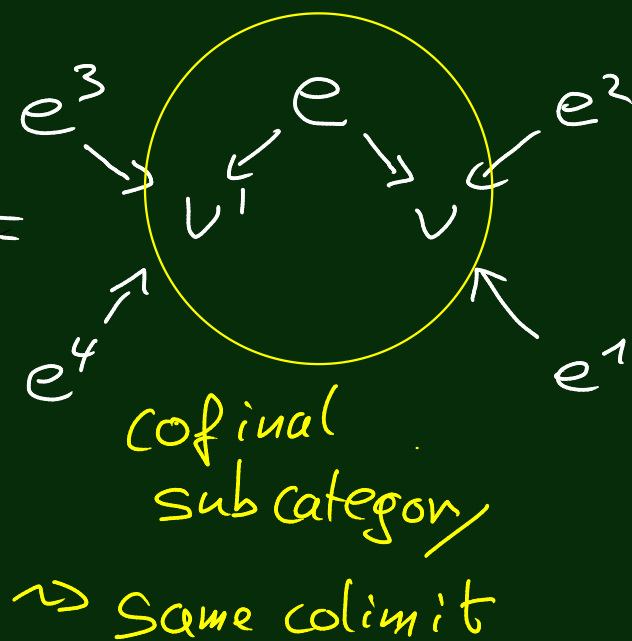
$\uparrow$

compare with  $d(q_i) = \sum p_i [a, a^*] p_i$

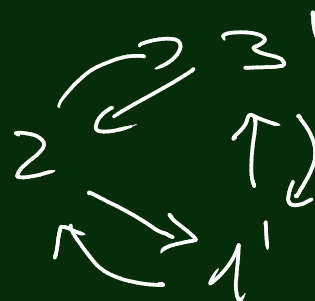
# Example



Entry( $\Gamma$ ) =



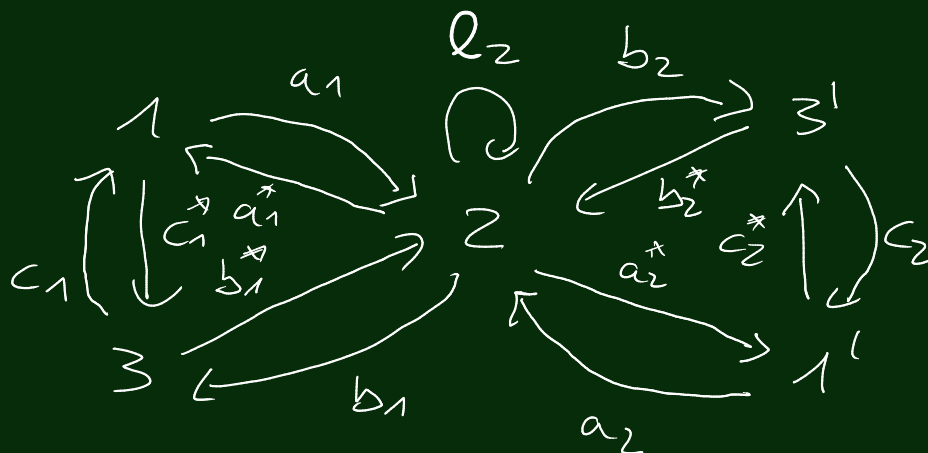
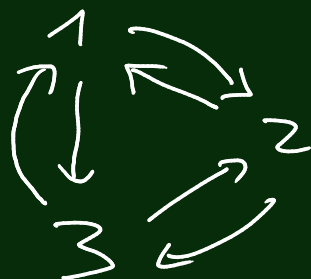
$\mathcal{L}_1$



$\mathcal{D}(-)$



homotopy pushout



$\mathcal{L}_4$

## Theorem (C.)

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be an ideal triangulation and  $\mathcal{T}^*$  the dual ribbon graph. There exists a constructible cosheaf

$\mathcal{F}: \text{Entry}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \text{LinCat}_k$  as above with

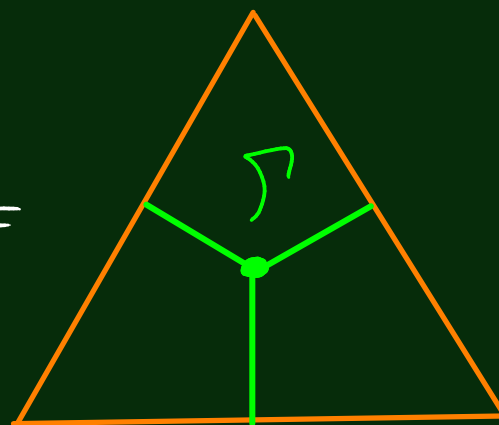
$$\text{colim } \mathcal{F} \simeq \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{T}})$$

$\leadsto$  Relative Ginzburg algebras glue to relative Ginzburg algebras

## Geometric model for $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{T}}$

Step 1: determine sections for  $\mathcal{T} =$

right adjoint  $\text{Rad}_j(\mathcal{F})$



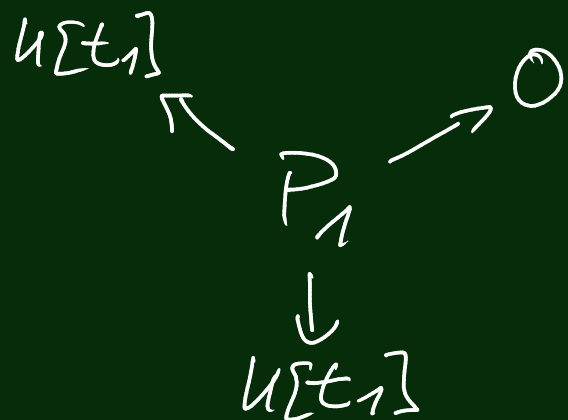
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}[t_1]) & & \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}[t_1]) \\
 \nwarrow \text{RHom}(P_3, -) & & \nearrow \text{RHom}(P_2, -) \\
 & \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{F}_{\Delta}) & \\
 & \downarrow \text{RHom}(P_1, -) & \\
 & \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}[t_1]) & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\Delta} = 1 \begin{array}{c} \nearrow^2 \searrow^2 \\ \xrightarrow{\quad} \end{array} 3$$

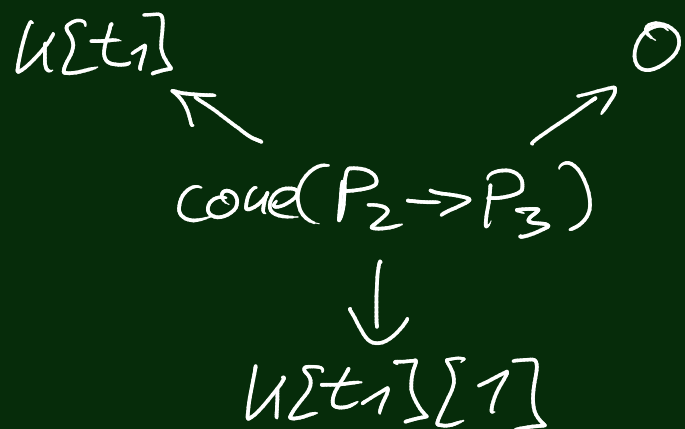
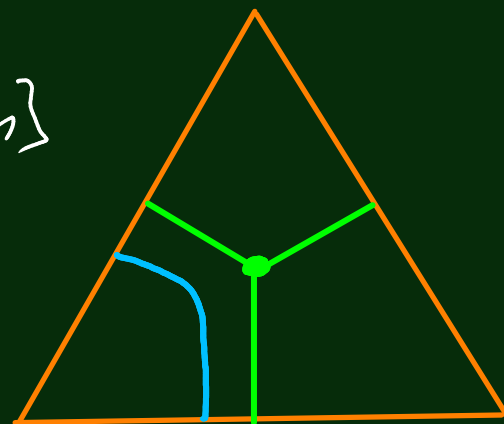
$P_i$  projective at  $i$   
is  $\mathcal{U}[t_1] - \mathcal{F}_{\Delta} - \text{bimodule}$

Section

Curve + local value  $L \in \mathcal{D}(U[t_1])$



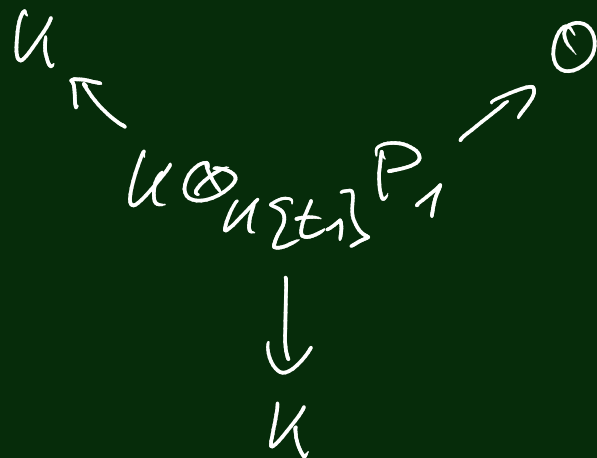
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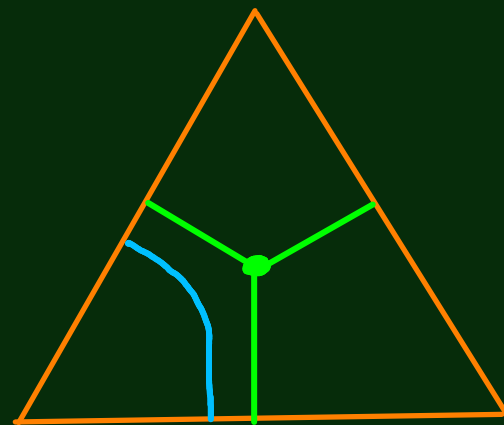
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Tensor products of the above  
w/  $U[t_1]$ -module  $L$ , e.g.



$$L = U$$



Step 2: glue local sections

→ Produce section  $\mu_\gamma^L \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}_\tau)$  for each

\*  $L \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}[\Sigma t_1])$

\*  $\gamma$  curve in  $S \setminus (M \cup P_0)$

with endpoints in  $\partial S \setminus M$

Can also describe  $\text{Hom}(\mu_\gamma^L, \mu_{\gamma'}^{L'})$  in terms of intersections

Fun application of geometric model:

Proposition (C.)

Suppose  $S$  has no interior marked points.

There exists an isomorphism of graded algebras

$$H_*(\mathcal{G}_\tau) \simeq \mathcal{J}_\tau \otimes_{\mathcal{U}[\Sigma t_1]} \text{tensor algebra}$$

↑  
Jacobian algebra  $H_0(\mathcal{G}_\tau)$ .