

POSTNIKOV DIAGRAMS AND ORBIFOLDS

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① Surface combinatorics \rightsquigarrow cluster structures

triangulations of

convex n-gon

convex n-gon w. puncture

marked surface

annuli

cluster algebra/category of

type A_{n-3}

type D_n

\mathbb{A}

Fomin-Zelevinsky 02
Caldero-Chapoton-Schiffler 06

FZ02 Schiffler 06

Fomin-Shapiro-Thurston
Brustle-Zhang

FST B-Marcus, B-Buan-Marcus

replace triang.
(surface = disk, mostly)

Idea: triangulation of surface gives "cluster" and mutation rule
(collection of variables of indec. cat)

Postnikov diagram

alternating strand diagram of type (k,n) \rightsquigarrow cluster structure for Grassmannian B-Kang-Math 16

Postnikov diagrams $\xrightarrow{\text{only give some}}$ clusters

Scott 06

Today: introduce orbifold diagrams as quotients of symmetric Postnikov diagrams

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$1 < k < n$

$Gr(k,n) = \{k\text{-dimensional subspaces of } \mathbb{C}^n\}$

embedded in \mathbb{P}^N ; Plücker's
variety [think of $k \times n$ -matrices/ GL_k]
or $\Lambda^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$

Theorem (Scott '06) The coordinate ring

all Plücker coord's are cluster variables

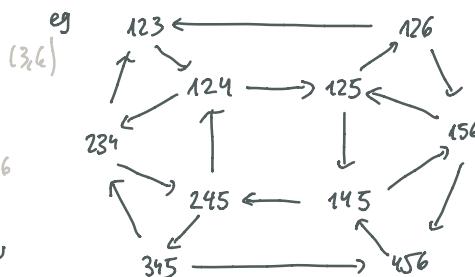
$\mathbb{C}[\widehat{Gr(k,n)}]$ has a cluster algebra

Structure: \exists seeds of Plücker coordinates;

mutation from Plücker relations

eg $\{124, 125, 245, 145\} \cup \{ijl, i+l, i+2 \mid i=1, \dots, 6\}$
with mutation rule encoded in quiver

$p_{124} \sim e_1 e_2 e_4$



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Cluster category for Grassmannian

Jensen-King-Su '16

$$B_{k,n} := \mathbb{C} \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc|c} & & x_2 & & x_3 & & \\ & 1 & \swarrow & 2 & \leftarrow & 3 & \\ & & y_2 & & y_3 & & \\ \hline x_n & \uparrow & & \downarrow & & & \\ n & & & & & & \end{array} \right) / \left\{ \begin{array}{l} xy - yx \\ x^t - y^{n-k} \end{array} \right\}$$

add. cat. of above d.alg.sch.: $Z = \mathbb{C}[[t]]$, $t = \sum x_i x_i^{-1}$

$$\mathbb{F}_{k,n} := \{ m \text{ CM for } B_{k,n} \} = \{ M \mid M \text{ free over } Z \}$$

rank 1-modules

are in bijection with k -subset (hence w. Plücker coord's)
ext-orthogonal \Leftrightarrow non-crossing

B-king-Marsh '16

$\mathbb{F}_{k,n}$ has cluster-tilting objects given by max^l non-crossing

collections of k -subsets

(with proj.-inj. summands)
corr. to the frozen variables
 $\pi_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{k-1}}$

$$\text{for any such } T \in \mathbb{F}_{k,n}: B_{k,n}^{\text{op}} \cong e(\text{End } T)e$$

e idempotent of boundary vertices

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2 Postnikov diagrams

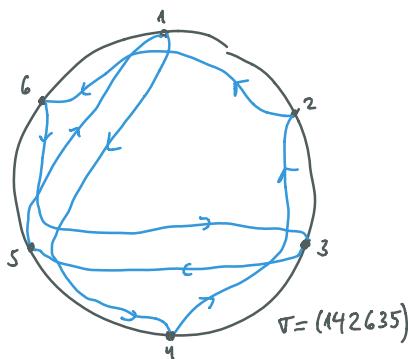
D_n disk with n points on boundary

$\tau \in S_n$ permutation

A Postnikov diagram P of type τ on D_n is a collection of n strands

(oriented curves) f_1, \dots, f_n , $f_i: i \mapsto \tau(i)$ (up to isot. fixing bdy) {

- *₁ transversal crossings, mult. 2, fin. many
- *₂ crossings alternate 
- *₃ no unoriented lenses
- *₄ any loop defines a disk with no other strands (except at bdy)



P is of type (k,n) if τ is $i \mapsto ik$

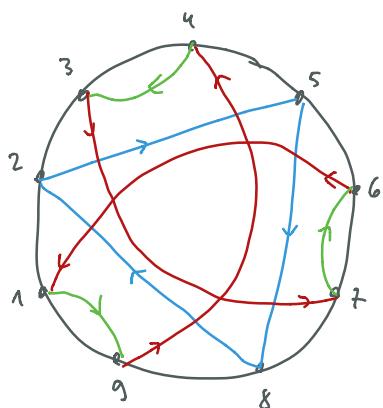
P is d-symmetric if it is invariant under rotation by $2\pi/d$ /n isotopy
Pasquali (self-inj. alg's)

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Reductions: ①  \rightarrow  ②  \rightarrow  ③  \rightarrow 

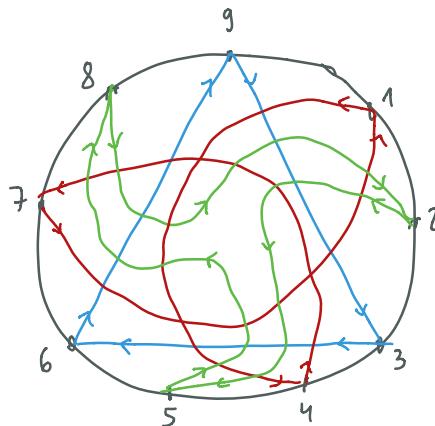
$\sim \ast_n$

Examples of symmetric Postnikov diagrams



$$d=3$$

$$\tau = (194376)(258)$$



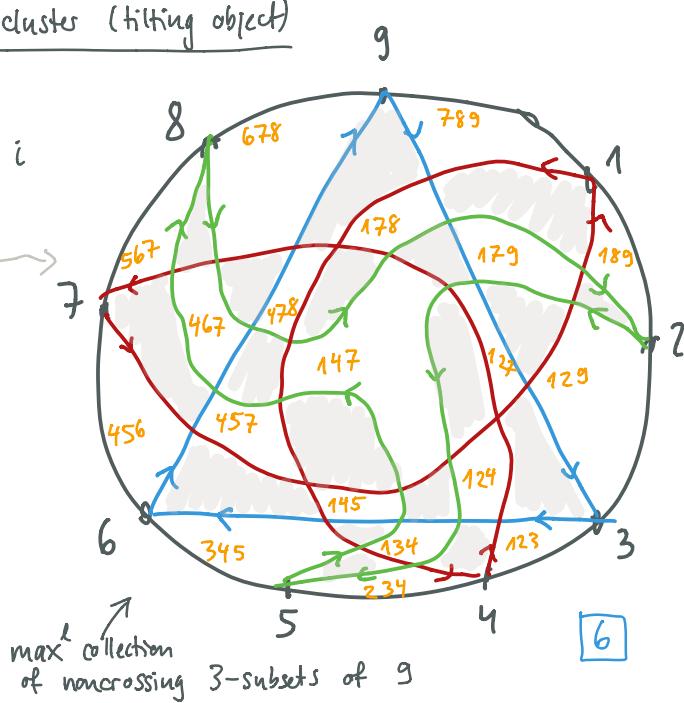
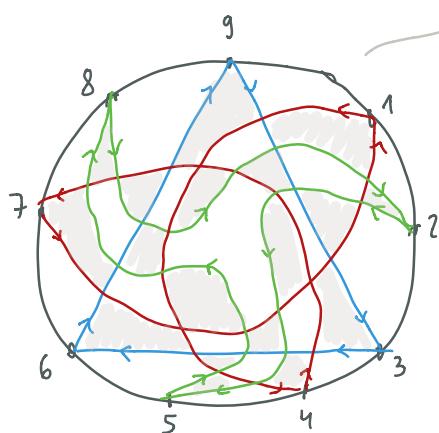
$$d=3$$

$$\text{of type } (3,9)$$

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3. Postnikov diagrams \rightsquigarrow cluster (tilting object)

Label alternating regions with i
if to the left of τ_i



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4. Orbifold diagrams

Idea: take quotient by d -rotational symm.

Define it abstractly first

$\Sigma = \Sigma_{n_0}$ disk with points $1, \dots, n_0$ and orbifold pt Ω of order $d > 1$

A weak orbifold diagram of type $T \in S_{n_0}$ on Σ is a coll. of n_0 strands (oriented curves) $c_i : i \mapsto T(i)$ s.t.

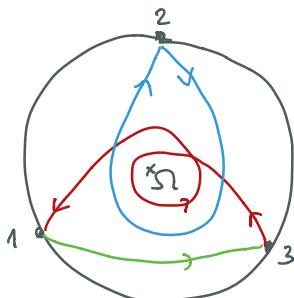
- * c_i do not go through Ω
- * fin. many crossings, transverse, mult. 2
- * crossings alternate
- * non-oriented lenses contain Ω
- * any loop formed by a strand has nonzero winding # (if it can't be reduced)

up to isotopy fixing boundary & Ω
 (reduce like P. diagrams)

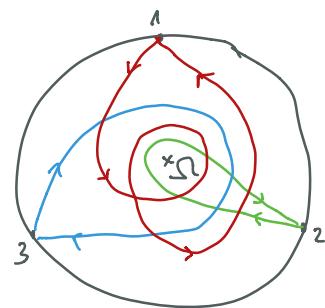
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Examples

$$\textcircled{O}_1 \quad d=3 \\ T=(13)$$



$$\textcircled{O}_2 \quad d=3 \\ T = \text{id}$$



O weak orbifold diagram, $\text{ord}(\Omega) = d$. Let $\text{sym}_d(O)$ be the d -fold cover
 Want $\text{sym}_d(O)$ to be a Postnikov diagram. Problematic

- *₃ no unoriented lenses
- *₄ no non-trivial loops

For *₄:

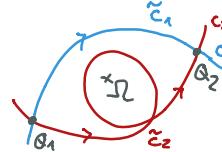
Winding value of strand $c \in O$: $S(c) := \max_{P \in c \cap c} |w(P)|$

For *₃:

$c \neq c'$ strands
of O

$$L(c_1, c_2) := \max_{c_1 + c_2} |w(\tilde{c}_1 \tilde{c}_2^{-1})| \geq 0$$

↑ winding #
of curve $\tilde{c}_1 \tilde{c}_2^{-1}$



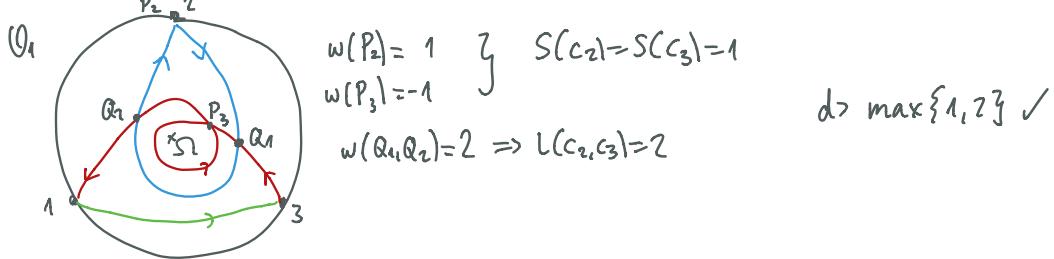
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A weak orbifold diagr. O on Σ with Ω of order $d > 1$ is an orbifold diagram if $d > \max \{ \max S(c), \max L(c_1, c_2) \}$

$q \in C_2$

It is Grassmannian if $\gamma = \text{id}$ and $\exists 0 < w_+ < d$ s.t. every strand has winding # w_+ or $w_+ - d$.

Ex.: Θ_1 and Θ_2 are orbifold diagrams, Θ_2 is Grassmannian.



Proposition Θ orbifold diagr. of order $d > 2$, \exists an s -symm. Postnikov diagram ($s \geq 1$)

- (1) $\text{sym}_d(\Theta)$ is a Postnikov diagram \mathcal{P}/s : quotient by $1/s$ -rotation
- (2) \mathcal{P}/s is an orbifold diagr. on disk w. order s orbifold pt
- (3) $\text{sym}_d(\Theta)/d = \Theta$ and for $s > 2$, $\text{sym}_s(\mathcal{P}/s) = \mathcal{P}$.

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5. Labels for orbifold diagrams

Prop: $\text{sym}_d(\Theta)/d = \Theta \rightsquigarrow$ labels as equiv. classes

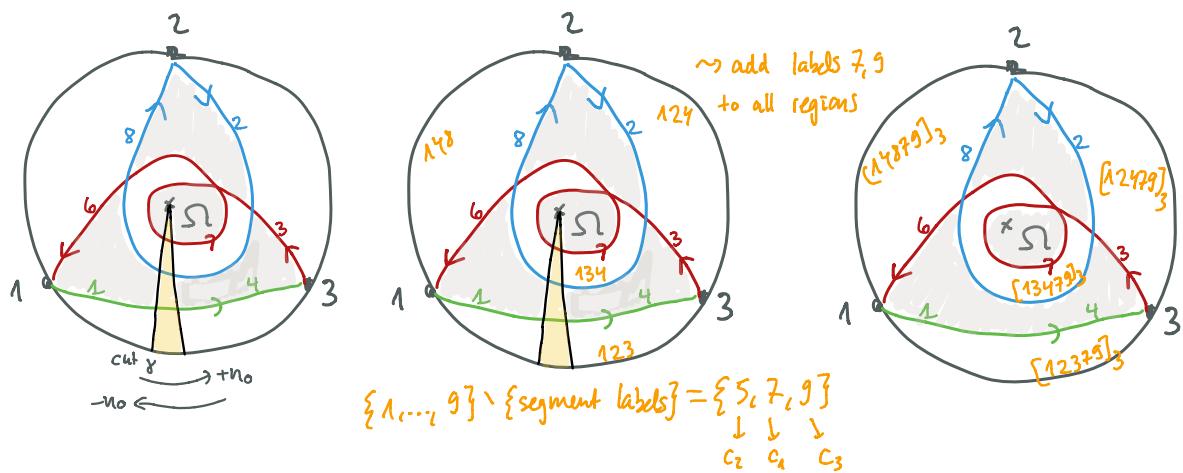
Θ of order $d > 2$, of type $T \in S_{n_0} \rightarrow \text{sym}_d(\Theta)$ on disk with $n := dn_0$ pts.

- I Let \mathcal{I} be the set of labels of $\text{symd}(\mathbb{O})$. Define equiv. relation \sim_{no} :
- $\{i_1, \dots, i_k\} \sim_{no} \{h_1, \dots, h_k\}$ if there exists j s.t. $\{i_1 + jno, \dots, i_k + jno\} = \{h_1, \dots, h_k\}$ [reduce mod n]
- [Labels of two regions related by rotation by $\frac{2\pi}{d}$ differ by adding no pointwise]
- Every alternating region of \mathbb{O} corr. to d (or 1) alt. region of $\text{symd}(\mathbb{O})$, i.e. to an equiv. class under \sim_{no} . We write $[i_1, \dots, i_k]_{no}$.

Can assign labels directly to \mathbb{O}

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- Draw cut γ from Ω to boundary between no and 1
- label regions to left
- label segments of c_i by $i, i+no, i+2no, \dots$ for $c_i \cap \gamma$ and by $i, i-no, \dots$ if $c_i \cap \gamma$
- altern. region to left of segment label gets this label
- regions cut in 2: only label part anticlockwise from γ
- For any $j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{\text{segment labels}\}$: let j_0 be the reduction of $j \bmod no$
- If $\text{sgn } c_{j_0}$ add label j to every alt. region of \mathbb{O} .

6. Quivers with potential

\mathbb{O} orbifold diagram of order d

$Q_{\mathbb{O}}$: vertices the alternating regions of \mathbb{O} ; If Ω is in an alternating region: v_1, \dots, v_d in this region

(also boundary regions)

arrows from



view the v_i as on vertical line above Ω

if $\exists v_1, \dots, v_d$: same for each of them.

[no arrows between

$Q_{\mathbb{O}}$ nr dimer model

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For potential: $\mathcal{P} = \{\text{fundamental cycles in } Q_0\}$

(a) Ω in fund. cycle $\Rightarrow c$ the fund. cycle containing Ω

(b) Ω not in fund. cycle $\Rightarrow \Omega$ is adj. to r fund. cycles \Rightarrow cycles through v_i

the v_i

with boundary, BKM16]

(up to v_1, \dots, v_d)

If $\exists v_1, \dots, v_d : Q_0$ from quiver w. faces on annulus. Glue d isom. disks on inner bdy of annulus

$$W_0 \text{ potential on } Q_0 : (a) W_0 := \sum_{c' \in \mathcal{P}, c' \neq c} \text{sgn}(c') c' + \frac{1}{d} \text{sgn}(c)c^d$$

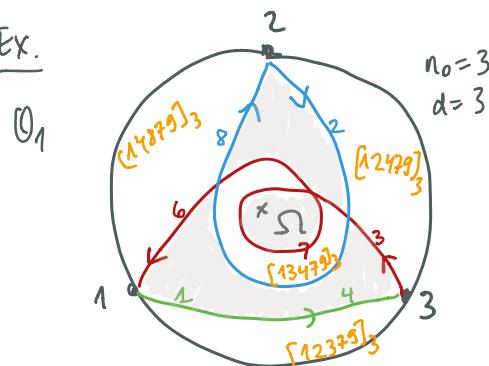
$$(b) W_0 := \sum_{c' \in \mathcal{P}, c' \neq c} \text{sgn}(c') c' + \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{i=1}^r \text{sgn}(c_i^{(j)}) c_i^{(j)} + \sum_{i=1}^d \{ \text{sgn}(c_i^{(r)}) c_i^{(r)} \}$$

$\{$ primitive d th root of 1

as potential in Giovannini - Pasquali
G P Plamondon

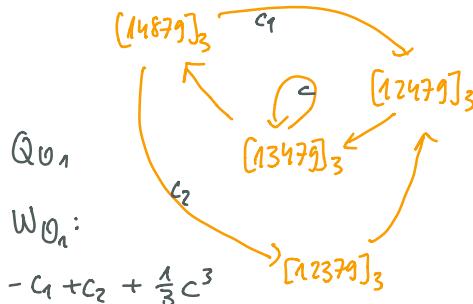
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Ex.



$$n_0 = 3$$

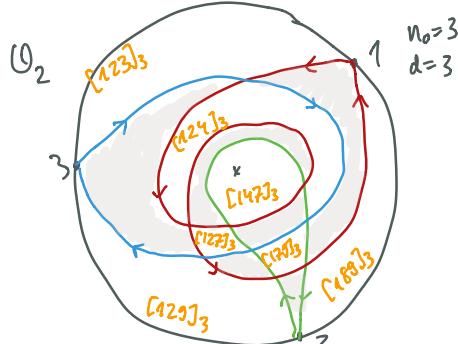
$$d = 3$$



$$W_{O_1}:$$

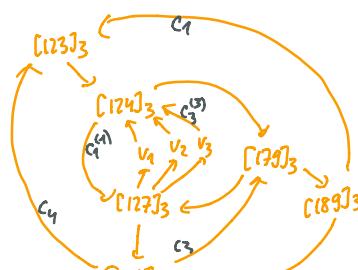
$$-c_1 + c_2 + \frac{1}{3}c_3^3$$

O_2



$$n_0 = 3$$

$$d = 3$$



Q_{O_2}

$$W_{O_2} : c_1 - c_2 + c_3 - c_4 + c_1^{(1)} + c_2^{(1)} + c_3^{(1)} - c_4^{(1)} - c_1^{(2)} - c_2^{(2)} - c_3^{(2)}$$

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7. Orbifold and boundary algebras

as BKM16:

$A(\mathcal{P})$ (completed) frozen Jacobian alg. of $(Q_{\mathcal{P}}, W_{\mathcal{P}})$

$B(\mathcal{P}) := e A(\mathcal{P}) e$ its boundary alg. (e idemp. of the bdy vertices)

0 orbifold diagram of order d

$\mathcal{P} = \text{symd}(\mathcal{O})$ Postnikov diagram

bdy vertices frozen

assume reduced

$\rightsquigarrow A(\mathcal{O}) :=$ frozen Jacobian algebra of $(Q_{\mathcal{O}}, W_{\mathcal{O}})$

and $B(\mathcal{O}) := e A(\mathcal{O}) e$ e the idempotent of the boundary vertices

Skew group algebra : S algebra w. group action by G \hookrightarrow work over \mathbb{C}
 The skew group algebra $S * G$ is $S \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}G$, \hookrightarrow finite
for us:
cyclic
of order d
 multpl. induced from $(s \otimes g)(t \otimes h) = sg(t) \otimes gh$ $s, t \in S$
 $g, h \in G$
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G gen. by rotation by $2\pi/d$ acts on algebras $A(\emptyset)$, $B(\emptyset)$

$$A(\emptyset) \sim A(\emptyset) * G \quad B(\emptyset) \sim B(\emptyset) * G$$

Assume \emptyset, \emptyset are Grassmannian of type (k, n)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \emptyset \text{ on disk w. } n_0 \text{ vertices} \\ \emptyset \text{ ———— } n = n_0 \text{ nod vertices} \end{array} \right| \quad B_G := \mathbb{C} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} x & \nearrow & 1 & \xrightarrow{x_2} & x_2 \\ & \nearrow & y_1 & \nearrow & \\ n_0 & \uparrow & & & \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & \\ & & & & T \end{array} \right) / \left\{ \begin{array}{l} xy - yx \\ x^k - y^{n-k} \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{complexed} \\ \text{path alg.} \end{array}$$

Theorem (1) $B(\emptyset) \cong (B_G)^{\oplus}$

(2) $A(\emptyset) \cong \text{End}_{B_G}(T_0)$

$$T_0 := \bigoplus_{[I] \in \mathcal{I}_0} L_{[I]} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{analogues to} \\ \text{the } k+1 \\ \text{modules in } \mathbb{F}_q \end{array}$$
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