

# Co-t-structures on derived categories of coherent sheaves and the cohomology of tilting modules

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# New results in type $A$

## Theorem (Achar–H.)

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Consequently, we obtain a new proof of the “classical” Humphreys conjecture in type  $A$  which does not rely on cell combinatorics.

The proof involves building co-t-structures on cotangent bundles to partial flag varieties, and studying a ‘representation theoretic’ analogue of the geometric “push–pull” functors which relate  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_I := T^*(G/P_I)$  to  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}$ .

# Future directions

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