# AFFINE PAVING OF PARTIAL FLAG QUIVER VARIETY

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ABSTRACT. In this article, we establish an affine paving for partial flag quiver varieties when the quiver is of Dynkin type. By copying results in [3, section 6] word by word, the same problem for affine quiver reduced to the case where the representation is regular quasi-simple. The idea of the proof mainly comes from [3], and the result is a natural continuation of [4].

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## 1. Introduction

Let Q be a quiver of Dynkin or affine type (without loops),  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$  be an quiver representation.<sup>1</sup> We are interested in three objects related to  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ :

quiver Grassmannian 
$$\operatorname{Gr}^{KQ}(X) := \{M_1 \mid M_1 \subseteq X\}$$
  
partial flag variety  $d \geqslant 1$   $\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{d}}(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X\}$   
strict partial flag variety  $d \geqslant 2$   $\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{d}.\operatorname{str}}(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X \mid x.M_{i+1} \subseteq M_i\}^2$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We fix the base field  $K = \mathbb{C}$  for convinience.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>for any  $x \in Q_1, i \in \{2, ..., d\}$ .

	$\operatorname{Gr}^{KQ}(X)$	$\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{d}}(X)$	$\operatorname{Flag}_{\operatorname{\mathbf{d}},\operatorname{str}}(X)$	
$A \over D$	[3, Section 5]	[4, Theorem 2.20]	Corollary 4.2	
E		Section 4		
$ ilde{ ilde{A}}  ilde{ ilde{D}}$	[3, Section 6]	Section 5		
$\tilde{E}$		reduced to the regr	ular quasi-finite case.	

Table 1. Until now, except the  $\tilde{E}$  case we've proved the affine paving properties for these varieties.

It's easy to see that  $\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{1}}(X) = \operatorname{Gr}^{KQ}(X)$ . These geometrical objects can be divided into different pieces according to the dimension vectors of  $M_1, \ldots, M_d$ , and each piece have its own natural (complex/Zarisky) topology. It was proved in [3] that  $\operatorname{Gr}^{KQ}(X)$  have an affine paving, and in [4] that  $\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{d}}(X)$  have the same property when Q is Dynkin quiver of type A/E. Here we go one step further, the results are concluded in the Table 1.

The idea of proof is very simple: first, we view the partial flag quiver variety as the quiver Grassmannian of the more complicated quiver; then we establish the decomposition so that one may solve the problem by induction; finally we set a special way of decomposition for each indecomposable module so that we can avoid meeting the bad decomposition. These contents are in Section 2,3,4, accordingly.

Before the end of this section, let us see in one example how partial flag variety is viewed as quiver Grassmannian.

**Example 1.1.** Let  $Q: x \longrightarrow y \longleftarrow z \longrightarrow w$  be a quiver, and let  $X: X_x \longrightarrow X_y \longleftarrow X_z \longrightarrow X_w$  be a quiver representation, then the varieties  $\operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{3}}(X), \operatorname{Flag}_{\mathbf{3},str}(X)$  can be viewed as quiver Grassmannian in Figure 1:

$$\begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} X_{x} \longrightarrow X_{y} \longleftarrow X_{z} \longrightarrow X_{w} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \chi_{x} \longrightarrow X_{y} \longleftarrow X_{z} \longrightarrow X_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow U & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow U & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \downarrow 0 \\ \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \downarrow U & \chi_{x} & \chi_{y} & \chi_{z} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{zz} & \chi_{w} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \uparrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xy} & \chi_{xz} & \chi_{xw} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} \\ \downarrow & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx} & \chi_{xx}$$

Figure 1

# 2. Preliminary Facts

Fix the quiver Q and the integer  $d \ge 2$ , we define the new bigger quiver  $Q_d, Q_{d,str}$  as follows:

• The vertex set of  $Q_d(\text{resp. } Q_{d,str})$  is defined as the Cartesian product of the vertex set of Q and  $\{1, \ldots, d\}$ , i.e.

$$v(Q_d) = v(Q_{d.str}) = v(Q) \times \{1, \dots, d\}$$

- The arrows of  $Q_d(\text{resp. }Q_{d,str})$  is defined as follows:
  - for each  $(i,r) \in v(Q) \times \{1,\ldots,d-1\}$ , there is one arrow from (i,r) to (i,r+1);
  - for each arrow  $i \longrightarrow j$  in quiver Q:
    - \*  $Q_d$  case: there is one arrow from (i,r) to (j,r); (for any  $r \in \{1,\ldots,d\}$ )
    - \*  $Q_{d,str}$  case: there is one arrow from (i,r) to (j,r-1); (for any  $r \in \{1,\ldots,d-1\}$ )

Example 2.1. Here is the picture of new quiver:

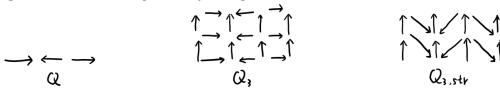


Figure 2

We define the ring

$$R = KQ_d/_{\uparrow \rightarrow \uparrow}$$
 or  $KQ_d, str/_{\downarrow \uparrow}$   $d \ge 2$ 

and define the canonical map  $\Phi : \operatorname{Rep}(Q) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Mod}(R) \subseteq \operatorname{Rep}(Q_d \text{ or } Q_{d,str})$  as follows:

- $\bullet (\Phi(X))_{(i,r)} := X_i;$
- $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r)\to(i,r+1)} := \mathrm{Id}_{X_i};$
- $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r)\to(j,-)}^{(i,r)\to(j,-)}:=X_{i\to j}$   $(i\to j);$

For the module  $T \in \text{Mod}(R)$ , we define  $\text{Gr}^R(T) := \{T' \subseteq T \text{ as the submodule}\}.$ 

**Proposition 2.2.** Fix the representation  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , we have the isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Flag}(X) \cong \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)).$$

*Proof.* The two side give us same amount of informations. Or, you can easily construct the bijection from  $\operatorname{Flag}(X)$  to  $\operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X))$ .

2.1. Ext-vanishing properties. We would like to show some higher rank Extension group to be 0, which would be a key ingredient in the proof of the next section.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $M, N, X, S \in \text{Rep}(Q), V, W, T \in \text{Mod}(R)$ .

- (1) gl. dim  $R \leq 2$ ;
- (2) The functor  $\Phi : \operatorname{Rep}(Q) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Mod}(R)$  is exact;
- (3)  $\Phi$  maps projective module to projective module;
- $(4) \operatorname{Hom}_{KQ}(M,N) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(\Phi(M),\Phi(N)), \quad \operatorname{Ext}_{KQ}^{i}(M,N) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(\Phi(M),\Phi(N));$
- (5) proj. dim  $\Phi(M) \leq 1$ , inj. dim  $\Phi(M) \leq 1$ ;

(6) Suppose 
$$V \subseteq \Phi(X)$$
,  $W \subseteq \Phi(S)$ , then  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^2(W,T) = 0$ ,  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^2(T,\Phi(X)/V) = 0$ .

*Proof.* For (1), we just need to check minimal projective resolution of S(i) in Mod(R); for (3), we reduced to the case of indecomposable projective modules. The rests are easy exercises of homological algebra.

2.2. How much do we understand the quiver representation? To understand the category Rep(Q), one should understand indecomposable modules (as well as their relations). This has almost been done in the Auslander-Reiten theory. For example, when the quiver Q is of Dynkin type, then there are only finite indecomposable representations (up to isomorphism) and each indecomposable representation corresponds to the positive root of Dynkin diagram. One can compute the Auslander-Reiten quiver by knitting algorithm and get the structure of indecomposable representations. Moreover, one can directly get Hom space between M and N by looking at nontrivial paths from M to  $N^3$ .

We will use the Auslander-Reiten quiver to find "good monomorphisms" in Section 4,5. For more informations about Auslander-Reiten theory, one can see [2].

## 3. Main Theorem

The following notations will be used throughout this article:

- $X, Y, S, M, N \in \text{Rep}(Q), V, U, W, T, T' \in \text{Mod}(R);$
- we have the short exact sequence  $\eta:0\longrightarrow X\longrightarrow Y\longrightarrow S\longrightarrow 0$ , and  $V\subseteq \Phi(X),U\subseteq \Phi(Y),W\subseteq \Phi(S)$ ;
- $\mathbf{f}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$  are dimension vectors of quiver  $Q_d$  or  $Q_{d,str}$ .  $\mathrm{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(T) := \{T' \subseteq T \mid \underline{\dim} T' = \mathbf{f}\}$  is defined as the set of subrepresentations with dimension vector  $\mathbf{f}$ .

We use

$$[M, N]^{i} := \dim_{K} \operatorname{Ext}_{KQ}^{i}(M, N), \qquad [M, N] := \dim_{K} \operatorname{Hom}_{KQ}(M, N)$$

$$[T, T']^{i} := \dim_{K} \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(T, T'), \qquad [T, T'] := \dim_{K} \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, T')$$

$$\langle T, T' \rangle_{R} := \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{i} [T, T']^{i} = [T, T'] - [T, T']^{1} + [T, T']^{2}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle_{R} := \sum_{i \in v(R)} f_{i}g_{i} - \sum_{b \in a(R)} f_{s(b)}g_{t(b)} + \sum_{c \in va(R)} f_{s(c)}g_{t(c)}$$

for the shorthand notation, where

 $v(R) := \{ \text{vertices in quiver } KQ_d \text{ or } KQ_{d,str} \}$   $a(R) := \{ \text{arrows in quiver } KQ_d \text{ or } KQ_{d,str} \}$   $va(R) := \{ \text{"virtual arrows" in quiver } KQ_d \text{ or } KQ_{d,str} \}$ 

Let  $\eta: 0 \longrightarrow X \stackrel{\iota}{\longrightarrow} Y \stackrel{\pi}{\longrightarrow} S \longrightarrow 0$  be a short exact sequence in Rep(Q). Consider the canonical **non-continuous** map

$$\Psi: \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(Y)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(S)) \qquad U \longmapsto \left([\Phi(\iota)]^{-1}(U), [\Phi(\pi)](U)\right)$$
 and  $\Psi_{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}}$  is the map  $\Psi$  restricted to the preimage of  $\operatorname{Gr}^R_{\mathbf{f}}(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R_{\mathbf{g}}(\Phi(S))$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>These paths may be linear dependent, so it's not too easy.

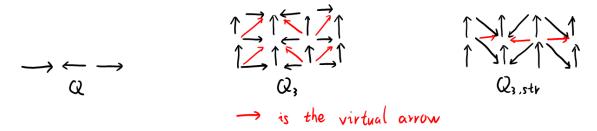


FIGURE 3. virtual arrow: can be thought as the "face" of the quiver The goal of this section is to prove the following theorems:

**Theorem 3.1.** When  $\eta$  splits,  $\Psi$  is surjective. Moreover,  $\Psi_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{g}}$  is a Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle of rank  $\langle \mathbf{g}, \underline{\dim} \Phi(X) - \mathbf{f} \rangle_R$ .

**Theorem 3.2** (follows [3, Theorem 32]). When  $\eta$  does not split and  $[S, X]^1 = 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{Im} \Psi_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{g}} = \left(\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R}(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{g}}^{R}(\Phi(S))\right) \setminus \left(\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R}(\Phi(X_{S})) \times \operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{g}-\underline{\operatorname{\mathbf{dim}}}\Phi(S^{X})}^{R}\left(\Phi(S/S^{X})\right)\right)$$

where

$$X_S := \max \left\{ M \subseteq X \mid [S, X/M]^1 = 1 \right\} \subseteq X$$
  
$$S^X := \max \left\{ M \subseteq S \mid [M, X]^1 = 1 \right\} \subseteq S$$

Moreover,  $\Psi_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{g}}$  is a Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle of rank  $\langle \mathbf{g}, \underline{\dim} \Phi(X) - \mathbf{f} \rangle_R$  over  $\operatorname{Im} \Psi_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{g}}$ .

We will spend the rest of the section proving this theorem. We decide the image as well as the fiber of  $\Psi$  respectively.

**Lemma 3.3** (follows [3, Lemma 21]). The element  $(V, W) \in \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(S))$  lies in the image of  $\Psi$  if and only if the canonical map  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$  maps  $\eta$  to  $\theta$ .

*Proof.* This follows from the definition of the canonical map, see Figure 4.

$$\eta \in \text{Ext}'(\Phi(S),\Phi(X)) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \Phi(X) \longrightarrow \Phi(Y) \xrightarrow{\pi} \Phi(S) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\bar{\eta} \in \text{Ext}'(W,\Phi(X)) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \Phi(X) \longrightarrow \pi^{-1}(W) \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow 0$$

FIGURE 4. the canonical map  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$ 

Corollary 3.4. When  $\eta$  splits,  $\Psi$  is surjective.

**Lemma 3.5.** the canonical map  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$  is surjective.

*Proof.* By using the long exact sequence of Extension groups and the Lemma 2.3(6), the maps

$$\operatorname{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) \qquad \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$$
 are both surjective. Thus the composition is also surjective.

Corollary 3.6. When  $[S, X]^1 = 1$ , then  $[W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0$  or 1.

Suppose  $\eta$  generates  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(S,X)$ , then

$$(V, W) \in \operatorname{Im} \Psi \iff [W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0.$$

In the case where  $\eta$  generates  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(S,X)$ , we want to describe  $\operatorname{Im}\Psi$  more precisely. For this reason we need to introduce two new R-modules:

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{X_S} &:= \max \left\{ V \subseteq \Phi(X) \, \middle| \, \left[ \Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V \right]^1 = 1 \right\} \subseteq \Phi(X) \\ \widetilde{S^X} &:= \max \left\{ W \subseteq \Phi(S) \, \middle| \, \left[ W, \Phi(X) \right]^1 = 1 \right\} \subseteq \Phi(S) \end{split}$$

 $\widetilde{X_S}$  and  $\widetilde{S^X}$  are well-defined because of the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.7** (follows [3, Lemma 27]).

- (i) Let  $V, V' \subset \Phi(X)$  such that  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V]^1 = [\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V']^1 = 1$ . Then  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V + V']^1 = 1$ .
- (ii) Let  $W, W' \subset \Phi(S)$  such that  $[W, \Phi(X)]^1 = [W', \Phi(X)]^1 = 1$ . Then  $[W \cap W', \Phi(X)]^1 = 1$ .

*Proof.* We only prove (i). (ii) is similar.

From the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \Phi(X)/V \cap V' \longrightarrow \Phi(X)/V \oplus \Phi(X)/V' \longrightarrow \Phi(X)/V + V' \longrightarrow 0,$$

we get the long exact sequence

$$\cdots \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}\!\!\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V \cap V'}\right) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}\!\!\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V}\right) \bigoplus \operatorname{Ext}^{1}\!\!\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V'}\right) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}\!\!\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V + V'}\right) \to \cdots$$

By Corollary 3.6,  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V \cap V']^1 \leq 1$ ,  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V + V']^1 \leq 1$ , and this forces that  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V + V']^1 = 1$ .

**Lemma 3.8** (follows [3, Lemma 31(1)(2)], and the proof is same). Let  $f: X \longrightarrow \tau S$  be a non-zero morphism, then  $X_S = \ker(f)$ ; also,  $\Phi(f): \Phi(X) \longrightarrow \Phi(\tau S)$  is a non-zero morphism,  $\widetilde{X_S} = \ker(\Phi(f))$ .

Corollary 3.9. 
$$\widetilde{X_S} = \Phi(X_S)$$
.  $(since \ \widetilde{X_S} = \ker(\Phi(f)) = \Phi(\ker(f)) = \Phi(X_S))$ 

By the similar argument, one can show that  $\widetilde{S}^X = \Phi(S^X)$ .

**Lemma 3.10** (follows [3, Lemma 31(6)]). Given  $V \subseteq \Phi(X)$  and  $W \subseteq \Phi(S)$ , we have

$$[W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0 \iff V \nsubseteq \Phi(X_S) \text{ or } W \not\supseteq \Phi(S^X).$$

*Proof.*  $\Leftarrow$ : without lose of generation suppose  $V \nsubseteq \Phi(X_S)$ , then

$$V \nsubseteq \Phi(X_S) \iff [\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0 \Rightarrow [W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0.$$

 $\Rightarrow$ : If not, then  $V \subseteq \Phi(X_S)$  and  $W \supseteq \Phi(S^X)$ , and<sup>4</sup>

$$[W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 \geqslant [\Phi(S^X), \Phi(X)/\Phi(X_S)]^1 = [S^X, X/X_S]^1 = 1.$$

We get the contradiction!

Corollary 3.11. When  $\eta$  generates  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(S,X)$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Im} \Psi_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{g}} = \left(\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R}(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{g}}^{R}(\Phi(S))\right) \setminus \left(\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R}(\Phi(X_{S})) \times \operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{g}-\underline{\operatorname{\mathbf{dim}}}\Phi(S^{X})}^{R}\left(\Phi(S/S^{X})\right)\right)$$

**Lemma 3.12.** For  $(V, W) \in \text{Im } \Psi$ , the preimage of (V, W) is a torsor of  $\text{Hom}_R(W, \Phi(X)/V)$ . Or we could say, there is one non-canonical isomorphism

$$\Psi^{-1}((V, W)) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(W, \Phi(X)/V).$$

*Proof.* Recall the commutative diagram

$$\eta \in \text{Ext}'(\underline{\Phi}(S),\underline{\Phi}(X)) \qquad o \longrightarrow \underline{\Phi}(X) \longrightarrow \underline{\Phi}(Y) \xrightarrow{\pi} \underline{\Phi}(S) \longrightarrow o$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow$$

$$\bar{\eta} \in \text{Ext}'(W,\underline{\Phi}(X)) \qquad o \longrightarrow \underline{\Phi}(X) \longrightarrow \pi^{-1}(W) \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow o$$

$$\bar{\eta} \in \text{Ext}'(W,\underline{\Phi}(X)) \qquad o \longrightarrow \underline{\Phi}(X) / \downarrow \stackrel{\iota}{\longrightarrow} \pi^{-1}(W) / \downarrow \stackrel{\pi'}{\longrightarrow} W \longrightarrow o$$

When  $(V, W) \in \text{Im } \Psi$ ,  $\bar{\eta}$  is split, and each split morphism  $\theta$  give us an element in  $\Psi^{-1}((V, W))$ . If we fix one split morphism  $\theta_0$ , then the other split morphisms are all of the form  $\theta_0 + \iota \circ f$  where  $f \in \text{Hom}_R(W, \Phi(X)/V)$  (and this form is unique). So

$$\Psi^{-1}((V, W)) \cong \{\theta : \text{ split morphism}\} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(W, \Phi(X)/V).$$

**Lemma 3.13.** For two R-modules T, T', we have

$$\langle T, T' \rangle_R \cong \langle \underline{\mathbf{dim}} \, T, \underline{\mathbf{dim}} \, T' \rangle_R$$

*Proof.* We construct one canonical resolution of T,

 $<sup>{}^{4}[</sup>S^{X}, X/X_{S}]^{1} = 1$  follows from [3, Lemma 31(5)]

by applying the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-,T')$  to this resolution, we get

$$\langle T, T' \rangle_R \cong \langle \underline{\mathbf{dim}} \, T, \underline{\mathbf{dim}} \, T' \rangle_R$$
.

*Proof of Theorem 3.1 and 3.2.* We have already computed Im  $\Psi$  in Corollary 3.4 and 3.11. For the rank of the affine bundle, we have

$$(V, W) \in \operatorname{Im} \Psi_{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}} \Longrightarrow [W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0$$
  
 $\Longrightarrow [W, \Phi(X)/V] = \langle W, \Phi(X)/V \rangle_R = \langle \mathbf{f}, \underline{\mathbf{dim}} \Phi(X) - \mathbf{g} \rangle_R$ 

## 4. Application: Dynkin Case

Before discussing the affine paving property, let me introduce some new numerical concepts, which can be seen as the measure of the "complexity" of the representation.

Fix an **indecomposable** quiver representation  $M \in \text{Rep}(\mathbb{Q})$ , we define the order of M by

$$\operatorname{ord}(M) := \max_{i \in v(Q)} \dim_K M_i.$$

When the quiver Q is of type E, we denote by  $e \in v(Q)$  the unique vertex which is connected to three other vertices, and the number

$$\operatorname{ord}_e(M) := \dim_K M_e = [P(e), M]$$

is equal to  $\operatorname{ord}(M)$  unless  $\operatorname{ord}_e(M) = 0$ .

By Theorem 3.1, we just need to focus on the case of indecomposable modules. The next lemma tells us, for the "easy representation", we can prove the affine paving property easily.

**Lemma 4.1** (follows [4, Lemma 2.22]). For the representation  $M \in \text{Rep}(Q)$  satisfying  $\text{ord}(M) \leq 2$  and the dimension vector  $\mathbf{f}$ , the variety  $\text{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(\Phi(M))$  is either empty or is a singleton or is a direct product of some copies of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

*Proof.* For each vertex i of the bigger quiver, the dimension of  $V_i$  is 0,1,2; then the variety  $\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(\Phi(M))$  is naturally included to a direct product of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , and the information of arrows just reduce the number of  $\mathbb{P}^1$  (maybe to singleton or empty).

**Corollary 4.2** ([4, Theorem 2.20]). Assume that Q is a Dynkin quiver of type A or D,  $M \in \text{Rep}(Q)$  is the representation. then the Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}^R(\Phi(M))$  has an affine paving.

Corollary 4.3. Assume that Q is a affine quiver of type A or D,  $M \in \text{Rep}(Q)$  is the regular quasi-simple representation. then the Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}^R(\Phi(M))$  has an affine paving.

In the rest of this section we focus on the "difficult" indecomposable representation of  $E_6, E_7, E_8$ . The idea is to design the special route for each case, and use Theorem 3.2 in the process. Notice that even though the Auslander-Reiten quivers look

quite different for different quiver (with same type), they can have the same form is we use the number  $\operatorname{ord}_{e}(M)$  to represent the representation M:

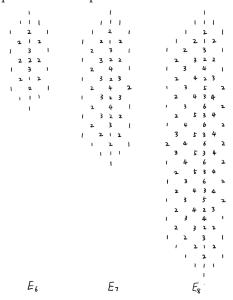


FIGURE 5. central imformation of Auslander-Reiten quiver

**Lemma 4.4.** For every indecomposable representation Y of type E with ord(Y) > 2, there is a minimal section mono  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$ .

*Proof.* Just observe the Auslander-Reiten sequence. The chosen minimal section monos are represented in Figure 6. Notice that for the most time  $\operatorname{ord}_e(-)$  is enough to guarantee the map to be a mono.

Remark 4.5. The condition ord(Y) > 2 in the lemma can not be removed.

**Lemma 4.6.** Let  $X \hookrightarrow Y$  be an minimal section mono, and S := Y/X be the quotient. Then we have the short exact sequence

$$\eta: 0 \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow 0$$

and the following values:

In particular, S is indecomposable and rigid;  $[S, X]^1 = 1$ , so  $X_S$  and  $S^X$  are well-defined.

*Proof.* We know that [X,X]=[Y,Y]=1 and  $[X,X]^1=[Y,Y]^1=0$ . By the definition of minimal section mono, we get [X,Y]=1,[Y,X]=0 and  $[X,Y]^1=[Y,X]^1=0$ . By applying the functors [Y,-],[-,S],[X,-],[-,X],[-Y] to the short exact sequence  $\eta$  we get the results.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Some representations M are hidden when  $\operatorname{ord}_e(M)=0$ . In [1] the Figure 5 is called the starting functions.

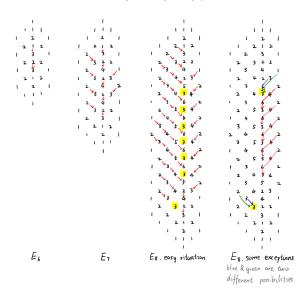


Figure 6. minimal section monos

[W'N], [W'N]/N	Х	Y	2
X	- 0	10	00
Y	0 0	0	1 0
S	0 -	0 0	I 0

In the following two lemmas we will describe the representations  $S^X$  and  $X_S$  more clearly.

**Lemma 4.7.** Take the same notations as in Lemma 4.6. Then  $S^X = S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\iota: N \longrightarrow S$  be a proper non-zero subrepresentation of S, we need to prove that  $\iota^*\eta: 0 \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow Y' \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0$  splits.

$$\iota^*\eta: \qquad 0 \longrightarrow X \longleftrightarrow Y' \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\eta} \qquad \downarrow^{\iota}$$

$$\eta: \qquad 0 \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow 0$$

We decompose  $Y'=\oplus_i Y_i'$  as the direct sum of indecomposable representations. Since the map  $X\longrightarrow Y$  is the minimal section mono, we get  $Y_i'=X$  or  $Y_i'=Y$  or  $X\stackrel{0}{\longrightarrow} Y_i'$  for all i. If there exists i such that  $Y_i'=X$ , then  $\iota^*$  splits; if there exists i such that  $Y_i'=Y$ , then  $\eta$  is isomorphism, we get  $\iota$  is isomorphism; if for every i the map  $X\longrightarrow Y_i'$  is 0, then the map  $X\longrightarrow Y'$  is 0, we also get the contradiction.

**Lemma 4.8** (follows [3, Lemma 36], proof is exactly the same). Let  $E \longrightarrow X$  be the minimal right almost split morphism ending in X, then we can decompose E as  $E = E' \oplus$  $\tau X_1$ . When Y is not projective,  $X_S$  is isomorphic to  $\ker(E \longrightarrow \tau Y) \cong E' \oplus \ker(\tau X_1 \longrightarrow \tau X_1)$  $\tau Y$ ); when Y is projective,  $X_S \cong E$ .

Corollary 4.9. When  $X \longrightarrow Y$  is irreducible monomorphism, the representation  $X_S$  is either 0 or an indecomposable representation with property that  $X_S \longrightarrow X$  is also an irreducible monomorphism.

Remark 4.10. We can not copy everything in [3, Lemma 56], sometimes it would happen that  $X_S = F \oplus T$  with F and T indecomposable,  $F \hookrightarrow X$  is irreducible but  $T \longrightarrow X/F$  is not a good mono.

For example, take the quiver of type  $E_7$ :  $\bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \longleftarrow \bullet \longleftarrow \bullet$ take  $Y = {}_{122321}$ ,  $X = {}_{112321}$ , then  $X_S = {}_{111210} \oplus {}_{000111} \oplus F \oplus T$ ,  $X/F = {}_{001111}$ , the map

 $T \longrightarrow X/F$  is not a good mono.

Luckily, we can avoid this bad situation by carefully choosing the minimal section mono  $X \longrightarrow Y$ . The minimal section monos I chose are presented in Figure 6. In appendix we will write down the induction process in detail for some examples.

# 5. Application: Affine Case

For the affine case, we just need to follow [3, Section 6], and change everything from  $\operatorname{Gr}(-)$  to  $\operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(-))$ . There is no difference except the Proposition 48, in which the authors proved the affine paving properties of quasi-simple regular representations. So we reduced the question to the case of quasi-simple regular representation. Combined with Corollary 4.3, we've proved the affine paving properties for A, D cases.

For an regular quasi-simple representation Y of type  $\tilde{E}$ , it's possible that there's no short exact sequence

$$\eta: 0 \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow 0$$

such that  $[S, X]^1 \leq 1$ . Then we can no longer use Theorem 3.1 or 3.2. We leave this small tail for interested readers.

## APPENDIX A

In this appendix we solve every case in Figure 6.

When the minimal section mono  $X \longrightarrow Y$  is irreducible, we use Theorem 3.2 to get morphism

$$\operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(Y)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(S)) \text{ or } \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \setminus \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_S))$$

By observation of Figure 6,  $\operatorname{ord}_e(S) = \operatorname{ord}_e(Y) - \operatorname{ord}_e(X)$  is smaller or equal to 2, so by Lemma 4.1 ord<sub>e</sub>(S) has the affine paving property. Let  $Y_1 := X$ ,  $X_1 := X_S$ ,  $S_1 := Y_1/X_1$ , we again use Theorem 3.2 to get morphism

$$\operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_1)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(S_1)) \text{ or } \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_1)) \setminus \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_{1S_1}))$$
  
 $\operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X)) \setminus \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_S)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(X_1)) \times \operatorname{Gr}^R(\Phi(S_1))$ 

Luckily  $\operatorname{ord}_e(S_1)$  is still smaller or equal to 2. We can continue this process until the order of representations are small enough.

In the exception cases the game is similar, but we need to discuss a little more complicated. Let us look at some examples. (We simplify the notations:  $\operatorname{Gr}(M)$  as  $\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(\Phi(M))$ , U(M,N) as  $\operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(\Phi(M)) \setminus \operatorname{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(\Phi(M))$ , and we also ignore the dimension vectors.)

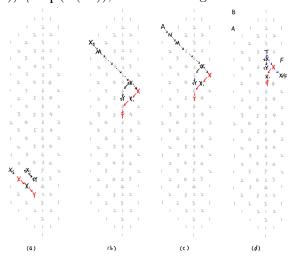


Figure 7. special cases

**Example A.1.** In the case of Figure 7(a), if  $X_1 \longrightarrow Y$  is injective, then

$$\operatorname{Gr}(Y) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}(X_1) \times \operatorname{Gr}(Y/X_1) \text{ or } U(X_1, X)$$

$$\operatorname{Gr}(X_1) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}(X) \times \operatorname{Gr}(X_1/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S)$$

$$U(X_1, X) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}(X) \times \operatorname{Gr}(X_1/X)$$

$$U(X, X_S) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Gr}(X_S) \times \operatorname{Gr}(X/X_S).$$

When  $X_1 \longrightarrow Y$  is not injective, we get

$$Gr(Y) \longrightarrow Gr(X) \times Gr(Y/X)$$
 or  $U(X, X_S)$ .

Since the map  $\tau X_1 \longrightarrow \tau Y$  is injective, from Lemma 4.8 we get  $X_S \longrightarrow X$  is irreducible monomorphism. Thus

$$U(X, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(X_S) \times Gr(X/X_S).$$

These maps give the variety Gr(Y) an affine paving from bottom to top.

**Example A.2.** In Figure 7(b), we would like to prove that Gr(Y) has the affine paving property. We have

$$Gr(Y) \longrightarrow Gr(X) \times Gr(Y/X)$$
 or  $U(X, X_S)$ .

When the map  $M \longrightarrow X$  is not monomorphism, we get

$$U(X, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(X_S) \times Gr(X/X_S);$$

when the map  $M \longrightarrow X$  is monomorphism, we get

$$U(X, X_S) = U(X, M) \bigsqcup U(M, X_S)$$
$$U(X, M) \longrightarrow Gr(M) \times Gr(X/M)$$
$$U(M, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(X_S) \times Gr(M/X_S).$$

Since the order of X, Y/X,  $X_S$ ,  $X/X_S$ , M, X/M,  $M/X_S$  are small or equal to 2, the induction process stops, we get Gr(Y) has the affine paving property.

**Example A.3.** In the case of Figure 7(c), we have

$$Gr(Y) \longrightarrow Gr(X) \times Gr(Y/X)$$
 or  $U(X, X_S)$ 

where  $X_S = \ker(\tau X_1 \longrightarrow \tau Y)$ . When  $X_S = 0$  we're done; if not, then  $A \neq 0$  and  $X_S = A$ , we decompose  $X_S \longrightarrow Y$  as compositions of minimal section monos:

Case 1:  $M \longrightarrow X$  is not injective, then

$$U(X, X_S) = U(X, N) \bigsqcup U(N, X_S)$$
$$U(X, N) \longrightarrow Gr(N) \times Gr(X/N)$$
$$U(N, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(X_S) \times Gr(N/X_S).$$

Case 2:  $M \longrightarrow X$  is injective, then

$$U(X, X_S) = U(X, M) \bigsqcup U(M, N) \bigsqcup U(N, X_S)$$

$$U(X, M) \longrightarrow Gr(M) \times Gr(X/M)$$

$$U(M, N) \longrightarrow Gr(N) \times Gr(M/N)$$

$$U(N, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(X_S) \times Gr(N/X_S).$$

Since Gr(X), Gr(Y/X), Gr(N), ... have affine paving property, we conclude that Gr(Y) has also the affine paving property.

**Example A.4.** Finally we begin to handle the most difficult case(Figure 7(d)). When  $X \longrightarrow Y$  is not injective, we get

$$Gr(Y) \longrightarrow Gr(F) \times Gr(Y/F)$$
 or  $U(F,?)$ 

then we get the result <sup>6</sup>.

When  $X \longrightarrow Y$  is injective, we have

$$Gr(Y) \longrightarrow Gr(X) \times Gr(Y/X)$$
 or  $U(X, X_S)$ 

where  $X_S = F \oplus \ker(\tau X_1 \longrightarrow \tau Y) = F \oplus T$  by Lemma 4.8. Since  $X \longrightarrow Y$  is injective, we get A = 0, thus B = 0 also, and then the sectional map  $T \longrightarrow X/F$  in injective. We thus get two short exact sequence satisfying the conditions in 3.2:

$$\eta: \qquad 0 \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow X \stackrel{\pi}{\longrightarrow} X/F \longrightarrow 0$$
  
$$\xi: \qquad 0 \longrightarrow T \longrightarrow X/F \stackrel{\pi'}{\longrightarrow} X/X_S \longrightarrow 0$$

 $<sup>{}^{6}\</sup>mathrm{Gr}(F)$  is empty or a singleton, so is U(F,?).

Let  $N \in Gr(X)$  be a subrepresentation, it's obvious that  $N \in Gr(X_S) \iff \pi' \circ \pi(N) = 0$ , so

$$N \in U(X, X_S) \iff \pi' \circ \pi(N) \neq 0$$
  
 $\iff \pi(N) \notin Gr(T)$   
 $\iff \pi(N) \in U(X/F, T)$   
 $\iff \Psi_n(N) \in Gr(F) \times U(X/F, T)$ 

Thus the Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle map

$$U(X,F) \longrightarrow Gr(F) \times Gr(X/F)$$

restricted to the Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle map

$$U(X, X_S) \longrightarrow Gr(F) \times U(X/F, T).$$

Finally, by applying the short exact sequence  $\xi$  to Theorem 3.2 we get the map

$$U(X/F,T) \longrightarrow Gr(X/F) \times Gr(T)$$
.

Since all the Grassmannians Gr(X), Gr(Y/X), Gr(F), Gr(X/F), Gr(T) have the affine paving property, we conclude that Gr(Y) has the affine paving property.

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