

# 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	$\text{Gr}^{KQ}(X) := \{M_1 \mid M_1 \subseteq X\}$
partial flag variety $d \geq 1$	$\text{Flag}_d(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X\}$
strict partial flag variety $d \geq 2$	$\text{Flag}_{d,\text{str}}(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X \mid x.M_{i+1} \subseteq M_i\}$ <sup>2</sup>

It's easy to see that  $\text{Flag}_1(X) = \text{Gr}^{KQ}(X)$ . These geometrical objects can be divided into different pieces according to the dimension vectors of  $M_1, \dots, M_d$ , and each piece have

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

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

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

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

its own natural (complex/Zariski) topology. It was proved in [3] that  $\mathrm{Gr}^{KQ}(X)$  have an affine paving, and in [4] that  $\mathrm{Flag}_d(X)$  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.

**Conventions and Notations.** *Throughout this article, we denote  $K = \mathbb{C}$  as a field,  $R$  as a commutative  $K$ -algebra with unit, and  $\mathrm{mod}(R)$  as the category of  $R$ -modules of finite dimension. Let  $Q$  be a quiver equipped with the set of finite vertices  $v(Q)$  and the set of finite edges  $a(Q)$ . For an arrow  $b$ , we call  $s(b)$  the starting vertex and  $t(b)$  the terminal vertex of  $b$ . Let  $KQ$  be the path algebra, and  $\mathrm{Rep}(Q) := \mathrm{mod}(KQ)$  as the category of quiver representations of finite dimension. For an representation  $X \in \mathrm{Rep}(Q)$ , we denote  $X_i := e_i X$  as the  $K$ -linear space at the vertex  $i \in v(Q)$ . As usual, we denote  $P(i)$ ,  $I(i)$  and  $S(i)$  as the indecomposable projective, injective, simple modules corresponding to the vertex  $i$ , accordingly.*

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#### 2. PRELIMINARY FACTS

In this section, we will collect all the knowledges required in the later sections, and fix the notations.

**2.1. Extended quiver.** We follow [4, 2.2,2.3] in this subsection, but we will have some small variations and different notations. We want to view partial flag variety as the quiver Grassmannian. Intuitively, the partial flag variety contains more information than the quiver Grassmannian. So we need to use bigger quiver, and encode these informations in the extra arrows.

**Definition 2.1** (Extended quiver). *Fix a quiver  $Q$  and an integer  $d \geq 1$ , the **extended quiver**  $Q_d$  is defined as follows:*

- The vertex set of  $Q_d$  is defined as the Cartesian product of the vertex set of  $Q$  and  $\{1, \dots, d\}$ , i.e.

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

- We have two types of arrows: for each  $(i, r) \in v(Q) \times \{1, \dots, d-1\}$ , there is one arrow from  $(i, r)$  to  $(i, r+1)$ ; for every arrow  $i \rightarrow j$  in quiver  $Q$  and  $r \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ , there is one arrow from  $(i, r)$  to  $(j, r)$ .

The extended quiver  $Q_d$  is exactly the same quiver as  $\hat{\Gamma}_d$  in [4, Definition 2.2]. The next definition is a small variation of it:

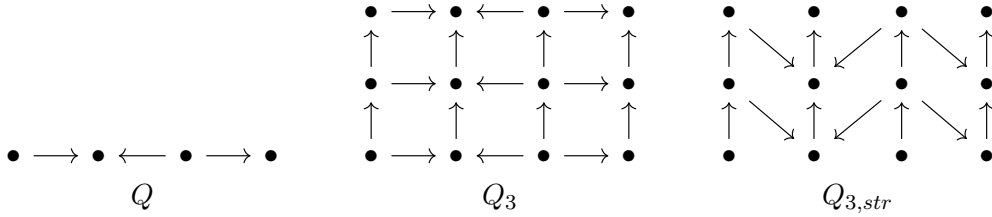
**Definition 2.2** (Strict extended quiver). *Fix a quiver  $Q$  and an integer  $d \geq 2$ , the **strict extended quiver**  $Q_{d, \text{str}}$  is defined as follows:*

- The vertex set of  $Q_d$  is defined as the Cartesian product of the vertex set of  $Q$  and  $\{1, \dots, d\}$ , i.e.

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

- We have two types of arrows: for each  $(i, r) \in v(Q) \times \{1, \dots, d-1\}$ , there is one arrow from  $(i, r)$  to  $(i, r+1)$ ; for every arrow  $i \rightarrow j$  in quiver  $Q$  and  $r \in \{2, \dots, d\}$ , there is one arrow from  $(i, r)$  to  $(j, r-1)$ .

**Example 2.3.** Here is the picture of new quiver:



Now we define the special bound quiver algebras for later use.

**Definition 2.4** (Algebra of an extended quiver). *For an extended quiver  $Q_d$ , let  $KQ_d$  be the corresponding path algebra, and  $I$  be the ideal of  $KQ_d$  identifying all the paths with same sources and targets. The algebra of the extended quiver  $Q_d$  is defined as*

$$R_d := KQ_d/I.$$

We also have the “strict” version.

**Definition 2.5** (Algebra of a strict extended quiver). *For an extended quiver  $Q_{d, \text{str}}$ , let  $KQ_{d, \text{str}}$  be the corresponding path algebra, and  $I$  be the ideal of  $KQ_{d, \text{str}}$  identifying all the paths with same sources and targets. The algebra of the strict extended quiver  $Q_{d, \text{str}}$  is defined as*

$$R_{d, \text{str}} := KQ_{d, \text{str}}/I.$$

By an aesthetically desirable abuse of notation, we abbreviate the notations  $R_d$  and  $R_{d, \text{str}}$  as  $R$ .

**2.2. Canonical functor  $\Phi$ .** We still follow [4, 2.3] in this subsection with a few variations.

**Definition 2.6** (Partial flag). *Fix a quiver representation  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , a **partial flag** of  $X$  is defined as an increasing sequence of subrepresentation of  $X$ . For an integer  $d \geq 1$ , we denote*

$$\text{Flag}_d(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X\}$$

*as the collections of all partial flags of length  $d$ , and call it the **partial flag variety**.*

**Definition 2.7** (Strict partial flag). *Fix a quiver representation  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , a **strict partial flag** of  $X$  is defined as an increasing sequence of subrepresentation  $(M_k)_k$  of  $X$  such that for any arrow  $x \in v(Q)$  and any  $k$ , we have  $x.M_{k+1} \subseteq M_k$ . For an integer  $d \geq 2$ , we denote*

$$\text{Flag}_{d,\text{str}}(X) := \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d \subseteq X \mid x.M_{k+1} \subseteq M_k\}$$

*as the collections of all strict partial flags of length  $d$ , and call it the **strict partial flag variety**.*

**Definition 2.8** (Grassmannian). *Let  $R$  be the bounded quiver algebra defined in Definition 2.6 or 2.7. Fix a module  $T \in \text{mod}(R)$ , the Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}^R(T)$  is defined as the set of all submodules of  $T$ , equivalently,*

$$\text{Gr}^R(T) := \{T' \subseteq T \text{ as the submodule}\}.$$

**Definition 2.9** (Canonical functor  $\Phi$ ). *The canonical functor  $\Phi : \text{Rep}(Q) \rightarrow \text{mod}(R)$  is defined as follows:*

- $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r)} := X_i$ ;
- $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r) \rightarrow (i,r+1)} := \text{Id}_{X_i}$ ;
- Either  $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r) \rightarrow (j,r)} := X_{i \rightarrow j}$  for  $R = R_d$ ,  
or  $(\Phi(X))_{(i,r) \rightarrow (j,r-1)} := X_{i \rightarrow j}$  for  $R = R_{d,\text{str}}$ .

The functor  $\Phi$  helps to realize a partial flag as a quiver subrepresentation.

**Proposition 2.10.** *Fix a representation  $X \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , we have the isomorphism*

$$\text{Flag}_d(X) \cong \text{Gr}^{R_d}(\Phi(X)) \quad \text{Flag}_{d,\text{str}}(X) \cong \text{Gr}^{R_{d,\text{str}}}(\Phi(X)).$$

*Proof.* This is obvious. The isomorphism  $\Phi'$  maps a flag  $M : M_1 \subseteq \cdots M_d$  to a representation  $\Phi'(M)$  with  $\Phi'(M)_{(i,r)} = M_{i,r}$  and obvious morphisms for arrows. The first case is mentioned in [4, page 4] without further elaboration, and the explicit construction of special case is showed in Example 2.11.  $\square$

**Example 2.11.** *Let  $Q : x \rightarrow y \leftarrow z \rightarrow w$  be a quiver, and let  $X : X_x \rightarrow X_y \leftarrow X_z \rightarrow X_w$  be a quiver representation, then the varieties  $\text{Flag}_3(X), \text{Flag}_{3,\text{str}}(X)$  can be viewed as quiver Grassmannian in Figure 1:*

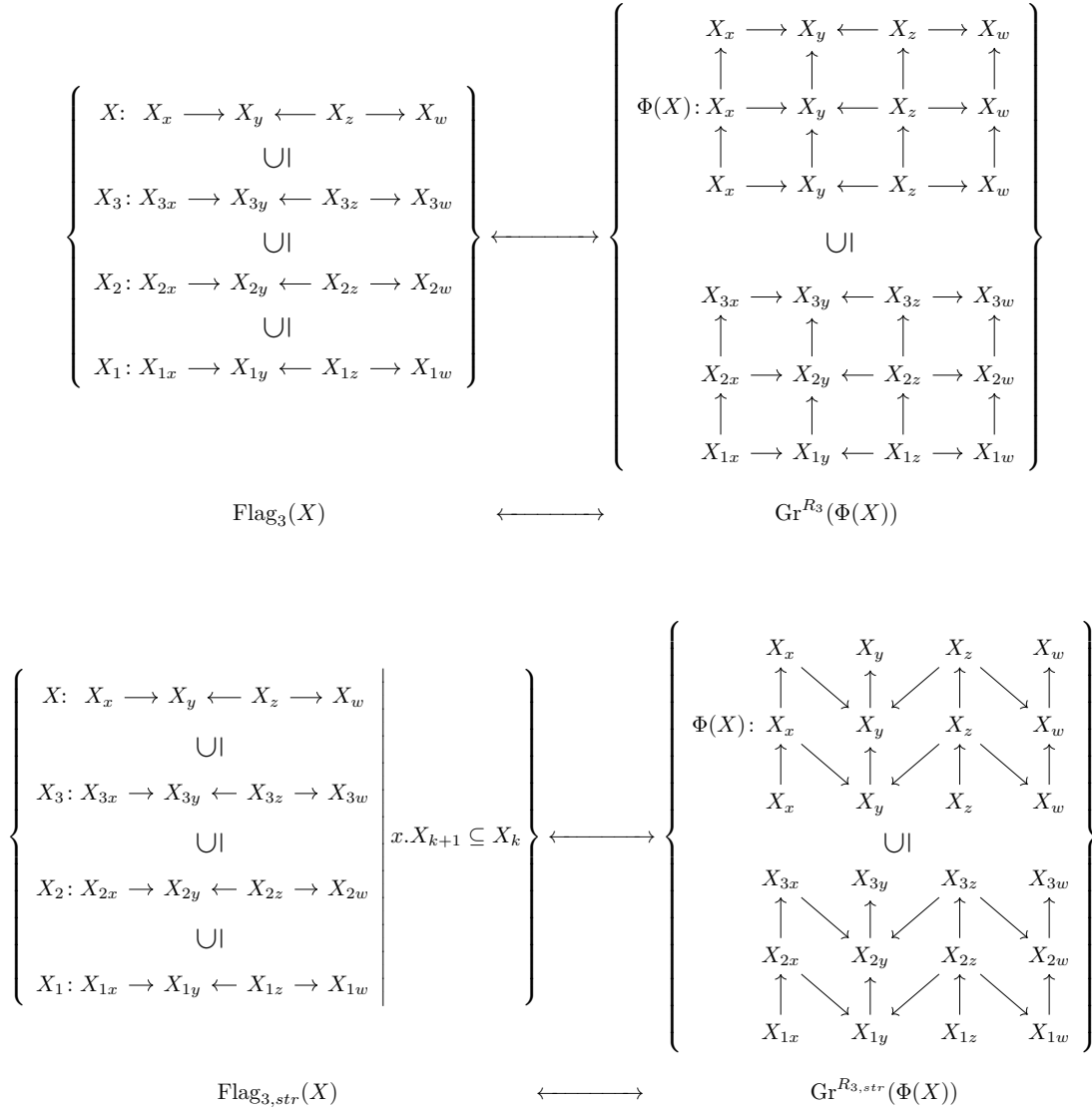


FIGURE 1

In many cases, the proof of the strict case and the non-strict case is the same, so we often treat them in the same way. For example, we may abbreviate the formula in Proposition 2.10 as

$$\text{Flag}(X) \cong \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)).$$

**2.3. Dimension vector.** In this subsection we recall some notations of dimension vectors.

**Definition 2.12** (Dimension vector). *For a quiver  $Q$  and a representation  $M \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , the set of dimension vectors of  $Q$  is defined as  $\prod_{i \in v(Q)} \mathbb{Z}$ , and the dimension vector of  $M$  is defined as*

$$\underline{\dim} M := (\dim_K M_i)_{i \in v(Q)}.$$

Moreover, denote  $R = KQ/I$  as a bounded quiver algebra, then every module  $T \in \text{mod}(R)$  can be viewed as a representation of  $Q$ , so we automatically have a notion of dimension vector for  $R$  and  $T$ .

Now we can write (strict) partial flag and Grassmannian as disjoint union of several pieces. Since  $v(Q_{d,(\text{str})}) = v(Q) \times \{1, \dots, d\}$ , any dimension vector  $\mathbf{f}$  of  $R$  can be viewed as  $d$  dimension vectors  $(\mathbf{f}_1, \dots, \mathbf{f}_d)$ . Define

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Flag}_{d,\mathbf{f}}(X) &:= \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq M_d \subseteq X \mid \underline{\dim} M_k = \mathbf{f}_k\} && \subseteq \text{Flag}_d(X) \\ \text{Flag}_{d,\mathbf{f}}^{\text{str}}(X) &:= \{0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq M_d \subseteq X \mid x.M_{k+1} \subseteq M_k, \underline{\dim} M_k = \mathbf{f}_k\} && \subseteq \text{Flag}_{d,\text{str}}(X) \\ \text{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^R(T) &:= \{T' \subseteq T \text{ with } \underline{\dim} T' = \mathbf{f}\} && \subseteq \text{Gr}^R(T) \end{aligned}$$

then from the Proposition 2.10 we get

$$\text{Flag}_{d,\mathbf{f}}(X) \cong \text{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R_d}(\Phi(X)) \quad \text{Flag}_{d,\mathbf{f}}^{\text{str}}(X) \cong \text{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}^{R_{d,\text{str}}}(\Phi(X)).$$

Finally, we need to define the Euler form of two dimension vectors, for this we need to define the set of virtual arrows of quiver  $Q_d$  and  $Q_{d,\text{str}}$ .

**Definition 2.13** (Virtual arrows of quiver  $Q_d$ ). *For  $d \geq 1$ , the virtual arrows of quiver  $Q_d$  is defined as a triple  $(va(Q_d), s, t)$ , where*

$$va(Q_d) := a(Q) \times \{1, \dots, d-1\}$$

*is a finite set, and  $s, t : va(Q_d) \longrightarrow v(Q_d)$  are maps defined by*

$$s((i \rightarrow j, r)) = (i, r) \quad t((i \rightarrow j, r)) = (j, r+1).$$

**Definition 2.14** (Virtual arrows of quiver  $Q_{d,\text{str}}$ ). *For  $d \geq 2$ , the virtual arrows of quiver  $Q_{d,\text{str}}$  is defined as a triple  $(va(Q_{d,\text{str}}), s, t)$ , where*

$$va(Q_{d,\text{str}}) := a(Q) \times \{2, \dots, d-1\}$$

*is a finite set, and  $s, t : va(Q_{d,\text{str}}) \longrightarrow v(Q_{d,\text{str}})$  are maps defined by*

$$s((i \rightarrow j, r)) = (i, r) \quad t((i \rightarrow j, r)) = (j, r).$$

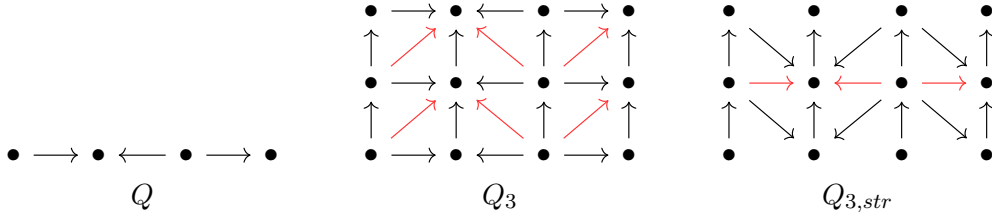


FIGURE 2. virtual arrow(red): can be thought as the “face” of the quiver

**Definition 2.15** (Euler form of  $R$ ). *Let  $R$  be a bounded quiver algebra defined in Definition 2.4 or 2.5. We denote*

$$\begin{aligned} v(R) &:= \{\text{vertices in quiver } Q_d \text{ or } Q_{d, \text{str}}\} \\ a(R) &:= \{\text{arrows in quiver } Q_d \text{ or } KQ_{d, \text{str}}\} \\ va(R) &:= \{\text{virtual arrows in quiver } Q_d \text{ or } Q_{d, \text{str}}\} \end{aligned}$$

For two dimension vectors  $\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}$  of  $R$ , the Euler form  $\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle_R$  is defined by

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

**2.4. 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.

For a bounded quiver algebra  $R$  defined in Definition 2.4 or 2.5, we have a standard resolution for every  $R$ -module  $T$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{c \in va(Q)} Re_{t(c)} \otimes_K e_{s(c)} T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{b \in a(Q)} Re_{t(b)} \otimes_K e_{s(b)} T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in v(Q)} Re_i \otimes_K e_i T \rightarrow T \rightarrow 0 \\ r \otimes x \longmapsto \begin{matrix} rc_1 \otimes x + r \otimes b_1 x \\ -rc_2 \otimes x - r \otimes b_2 x \end{matrix} \qquad r \otimes x \longmapsto rx \\ r \otimes x \longmapsto rb \otimes x - r \otimes bx \end{aligned}$$

For clarity, we have exact two paths from  $s(c)$  to  $t(c)$  for any virtual arrow  $c$ , and we denote them by  $b_1 c_1$  and  $b_2 c_2$ . By definition, these paths are identified in  $\text{mod}(R)$ .

**Lemma 2.16.** *Let  $M, N \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ .*

- (1)  $\text{gl. dim } R \leq 2$ ;
- (2) *The functor  $\Phi : \text{Rep}(Q) \rightarrow \text{mod}(R)$  is exact and fully faithful;*
- (3)  *$\Phi$  maps projective module to projective module, and maps injective module to injective module;*
- (4)  $\text{Ext}_{KQ}^i(M, N) \cong \text{Ext}_R^i(\Phi(M), \Phi(N))$ ;
- (5)  $\text{proj. dim } \Phi(M) \leq 1, \text{inj. dim } \Phi(M) \leq 1$ ;

*Proof.*

For (1), this follows from the standard resolution.

For (2), it follows by direct inspection. You can also follow [4, Lemma 2.3].

For (3), we reduced to the case of indecomposable projective modules, and observe that

$$\Phi(P(i)) = P((i, 1)), \quad \Phi(I(i)) = I((i, d)).$$

For (4), it comes from the fact that  $\Phi$  is fully faithful and maps projective module to projective module.

For (5), Notice that the minimal projective resolution of  $M$  is of length 1, and  $\Phi(-)$  sends projective resolution of  $M$  to projective resolution of  $\Phi(M)$  by (3), thus we get  $\text{proj. dim } \Phi(M) \leq 1$ . The injective dimension of  $\Phi(M)$  is computed in the similar way.  $\square$

Moreover, we will have the key lemma which will be crucial in the later use.

**Lemma 2.17.** *Let  $X, S \in \text{Rep}(Q)$  be any representation. Suppose  $V \subseteq \Phi(X), W \subseteq \Phi(S), T \in \text{mod}(R)$ , then  $\text{Ext}_R^2(W, T) = 0, \text{Ext}_R^2(T, \Phi(X)/V) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* The short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow \Phi(S) \longrightarrow \Phi(S)/W \longrightarrow 0$$

induces the long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(\Phi(S), T) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(W, T) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^3(\Phi(S)/W, T) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

By Lemma 2.16 (1) and (5),  $\text{Ext}_R^3(\Phi(S)/W, T)$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^2(\Phi(S), T)$  are both 0, so  $\text{Ext}_R^2(W, T) = 0$ .

Similarly, from the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow V \longrightarrow \Phi(X) \longrightarrow \Phi(X)/V \longrightarrow 0$$

we get the induced long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(T, \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(T, \Phi(X)/V) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^3(T, V) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

so  $\text{Ext}_R^2(T, \Phi(X)/V) = 0$ .  $\square$

We will frequently use extension groups as well as long exact sequences, so now it's time to shorten some notations. For the  $Q$ -representations  $M, N$  and  $R$ -modules  $T, T'$ , we denote

$$\begin{aligned} [M, N]^i &:= \dim_K \text{Ext}_{KQ}^i(M, N), & [M, N] &:= \dim_K \text{Hom}_{KQ}(M, N) \\ [T, T']^i &:= \dim_K \text{Ext}_R^i(T, T'), & [T, T'] &:= \dim_K \text{Hom}_R(T, T') \end{aligned}$$

and write the Euler form as

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

**Lemma 2.18.** *For two  $R$ -modules  $T, T'$ , we have*

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

*Proof.* Just compute  $\langle T, T' \rangle_R$  by applying the functor  $\text{Hom}_R(-, T')$  to the standard resolution of  $R$ -module  $T$ .  $\square$

**2.5. How much do we understand the quiver representation?** To understand the category  $\text{Rep}(Q)$ , 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  $N$ <sup>3</sup>.

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].

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



**Definition 2.19.** Let  $R = KQ/I$  be a bounded quiver algebra, we define Nakayama functor  $\nu_R$ , Auslander-Reiten translation  $\tau_R$ , and inverse Auslander-Reiten translation  $\tau_R^{-1}$ , as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_R : \quad \text{mod}(R) &\xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_R(-, R)} \text{mod}(R^{op}) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_K(-, K)} \text{mod}(R) \\ \tau_R : \quad \underline{\text{mod}}(R) &\xrightarrow{\text{Ext}_R^1(-, R)} \underline{\text{mod}}(R^{op}) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_K(-, K)} \overline{\text{mod}}(R) \\ \tau_R^{-1} : \quad \overline{\text{mod}}(R) &\xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_K(-, K)} \underline{\text{mod}}(R^{op}) \xrightarrow{\text{Ext}_{R^{op}}^1(-, R)} \underline{\text{mod}}(R) \end{aligned}$$

Here we make some explanation of stable module categories  $\underline{\text{mod}}(R)$  and  $\overline{\text{mod}}(R)$ . As categories, their objects are the same as objects in  $\text{mod}(R)$ , and their morphisms are modified by “collapsing” the morphisms passing through projective/injective modules to zero, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mor}_{\underline{\text{mod}}(R)}(T, T') &:= \text{Mor}_{\text{mod}(R)}(T, T') / (f : T \rightarrow P \rightarrow T', P \text{ is projective}) \\ \text{Mor}_{\overline{\text{mod}}(R)}(T, T') &:= \text{Mor}_{\text{mod}(R)}(T, T') / (f : T \rightarrow I \rightarrow T', I \text{ is injective}) \end{aligned}$$

These modifications guarantee that the Auslander-Reiten translation  $\tau_R$  is indeed a functor. For convenience, we abbreviate  $\text{Mor}_{\underline{\text{mod}}(R)}$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\overline{\text{mod}}(R)}$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{mod}(R)}$  as  $\underline{\text{Hom}}_R$ ,  $\overline{\text{Hom}}_R$ ,  $\text{Hom}_R$ , and ignore the subscription  $R$  in the Auslander-Reiten translation  $\tau_R$ .

The Auslander-Reiten translation has many magical properties. For example,  $\tau_R$  induces the one-to-one correspondence between non-projective indecomposable representations and non-injective indecomposable representations. We would also frequently use the Auslander-Reiten formulas:  $((-)^{\vee})^{\vee} = \text{Hom}_K(-, K)$  is the dual

$$(\overline{\text{Hom}}_R(T, \tau T'))^{\vee} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ext}_R^1(T', T)$$

$$(\underline{\text{Hom}}_R(\tau^{-1} T, T'))^{\vee} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ext}_R^1(T', T)$$

which is functorial for any  $T, T' \in \text{mod}(R)$ . Especially, when  $T$  is not injective,  $\overline{\text{Hom}}_R(T, \tau T') = \text{Hom}_R(T, \tau T')$ , we get  $[T', T]^1 = [T, \tau T']$ ; when  $T'$  is not projective,  $\underline{\text{Hom}}_R(\tau^{-1} T, T') = \text{Hom}_R(\tau^{-1} T, T')$ , we get  $[T', T]^1 = [\tau^{-1} T, T']$ .

**Definition 2.20** (Irreducible morphism). Given two indecomposable representations  $T, T' \in \text{mod}(R)$ , denote

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rad}(T, T') &:= \{f \in \text{Hom}_R(T, T') \mid f \text{ is not invertible}\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \text{Hom}_R(T, T') & T \not\cong T', \\ \text{Jac}(\text{End}_R(T)) & T \cong T'. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

be the radical, and let

$$\text{rad}^2(T, T') := \bigcup_{S \in \text{ind}(R)} \text{Im} [\text{rad}(T, S) \times \text{rad}(S, T') \longrightarrow \text{rad}(T, T')]$$

be the subspace of  $\text{rad}(T, T')$ . A morphism  $f \in \text{Hom}_R(T, T')$  is called irreducible if  $f \in \text{rad}(T, T') \setminus \text{rad}^2(T, T')$ .

## 3. MAIN THEOREM

In this section we state and prove the main theorems, which would be essentially used in the Section 4 and 5.

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

$$\Psi : \text{Gr}(\Phi(Y)) \longrightarrow \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}(\Phi(S)) \quad U \longmapsto ([\Phi(\iota)]^{-1}(U), [\Phi(\pi)](U))$$

and  $\Psi_{f,g}$  is the map  $\Psi$  restricted to the preimage of  $\text{Gr}_f(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}_g(\Phi(S))$ .

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

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

$$\text{Im } \Psi_{f,g} = \left( \text{Gr}_f(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}_g(\Phi(S)) \right) \setminus \left( \text{Gr}_f(\Phi(X_S)) \times \text{Gr}_{g-\underline{\dim} \Phi(S^X)}(\Phi(S/S^X)) \right)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} X_S &:= \max \{ M \subseteq X \mid [S, X/M]^1 = 1 \} \subseteq X \\ S^X &:= \max \{ M \subseteq S \mid [M, X]^1 = 1 \} \subseteq S \end{aligned}$$

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

We will spend the rest of the section proving these theorems. We investigate the image as well as the fiber of  $\Psi$  respectively.

**Lemma 3.3** (follows [3, Lemma 21]). *The element  $(V, W) \in \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}(\Phi(S))$  lies in the image of  $\Psi$  if and only if the canonical map  $\text{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$  maps  $\eta$  to 0.*

*Proof.* The canonical map is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \eta \in \text{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \Phi(X) & \longrightarrow & \Phi(Y) & \xrightarrow{\Phi(\pi)} \Phi(S) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & \parallel & & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ & \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \Phi(X) & \longrightarrow & \pi^{-1}(W) \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \parallel \\ \bar{\eta} \in \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \Phi(X)/V & \longrightarrow & \pi^{-1}(W)/V & \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

so  $\bar{\eta} = 0$  if and only if the last short exact sequence splits, that means, there exist a submodule  $U \subseteq \Phi(Y)$ , such that  $\Phi(\pi)(U) = W$  and  $U \cap \Phi(X) = V$ . □

**Corollary 3.4.** *Resume the notations of Lemma 3.3 When  $\eta$  splits, then  $\Psi$  is surjective.*

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

*Proof.* By using the long exact sequence of extension groups and the fact that  $\text{Ext}^2(W/\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) = 0$  and  $\text{Ext}^2(W, V) = 0$  by Lemma 2.17, the maps

$$\text{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) \quad \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V)$$

are both surjective. Thus the composition is also surjective.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $W \subseteq \Phi(S), V \subseteq \Phi(X)$  be  $R$ -submodules, then*

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

*In particular, when  $[S, X]^1 = 1$ , we get  $[W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0$  or  $1$ ; when  $\eta$  generates  $\text{Ext}^1(S, X)$ , we get*

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

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

$$\widetilde{X}_S := \max \{V \subseteq \Phi(X) \mid [\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 1\} \subseteq \Phi(X)$$

$$\widetilde{S}^X := \max \{W \subseteq \Phi(S) \mid [W, \Phi(X)]^1 = 1\} \subseteq \Phi(S)$$

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

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

- (i) *Let  $V, V' \subseteq \Phi(X)$  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  $W, W' \subseteq \Phi(S)$  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

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V \cap V'}\right) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V}\right) \oplus \text{Ext}^1\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V'}\right) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1\left(\Phi(S), \frac{\Phi(X)}{V + V'}\right) \rightarrow \cdots$$

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

**Lemma 3.8** (follows [3, Lemma 31(1)(2)], and the proof is same). *Let  $\tau$  be the Auslander-Reiten translation.*

*Let  $f : X \longrightarrow \tau S$  be a non-zero morphism<sup>4</sup>, then  $X_S = \ker(f)$ ;*

*also,  $\Phi(f) : \Phi(X) \longrightarrow \Phi(\tau S)$  is a non-zero morphism,  $\widetilde{X}_S = \ker(\Phi(f))$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $M \subseteq X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}^1(S, X/M)^\vee &\cong \overline{\text{Hom}}(X/M, \tau S) \\ &\cong \{g \in \text{Hom}(X, \tau S) \mid g|_M = 0\} \\ &\cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{C}, & M \subseteq \ker f \\ 0, & M \not\subseteq \ker f \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

<sup>4</sup>Since  $X$  is not injective,  $[X, \tau S] = [S, X]^1 = 1$ ,  $f$  is uniquely determined up to a constant.

so  $[S, X/M]^1 = 1$  exactly when  $M \subseteq \ker f$ . Thus  $X_S = \ker f$ .

For  $\Phi(f)$  it is similar. For any  $V \subseteq \Phi(X)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V)^\vee &\cong \overline{\text{Hom}}(\Phi(X)/V, \tau\Phi(S)) \\ &\cong \overline{\text{Hom}}(\Phi(X)/V, \Phi(\tau S)) \\ &\cong \{g \in \text{Hom}(\Phi(X), \Phi(\tau S)) \mid g|_V = 0\} \\ &\cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{C}, & V \subseteq \ker \Phi(f) \\ 0, & V \not\subseteq \ker \Phi(f) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

so  $[\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 1$  exactly when  $V \subseteq \ker \Phi(f)$ . Thus  $\widetilde{X}_S = \ker(\Phi(f))$ .  $\square$

**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*

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

*Proof.*  $\Leftarrow$ : Without loss of generality suppose  $V \not\subseteq \Phi(X_S)$ , then

$$V \not\subseteq \Phi(X_S) \iff [\Phi(S), \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0 \Rightarrow [W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow$ : If not, then  $V \subseteq \Phi(X_S)$  and  $W \supseteq \Phi(S^X)$ , and<sup>5</sup>

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

We get the contradiction!  $\square$

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

$$\text{Im } \Psi_{f,g} = \left( \text{Gr}_f(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}_g(\Phi(S)) \right) \setminus \left( \text{Gr}_f(\Phi(X_S)) \times \text{Gr}_{g-\underline{\dim} \Phi(S^X)}(\Phi(S/S^X)) \right)$$

**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*

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

*Proof.* Recall the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \eta \in \text{Ext}^1(\Phi(S), \Phi(X)) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \Phi(X) & \longrightarrow & \Phi(Y) & \xrightarrow{\Phi(\pi)} \Phi(S) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & \parallel & & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ & & & \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \pi^{-1}(W) \longrightarrow W \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \parallel \\ \bar{\eta} \in \text{Ext}^1(W, \Phi(X)/V) & 0 & \longrightarrow & \Phi(X)/V & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \pi^{-1}(W)/V & \xrightarrow{\pi'} W \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$\xleftarrow{\theta}$

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

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

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

□

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

$$\begin{aligned} (V, W) \in \text{Im } \Psi_{f,g} &\implies [W, \Phi(X)/V]^1 = 0 \\ &\implies [W, \Phi(X)/V] = \langle W, \Phi(X)/V \rangle_R = \langle f, \underline{\dim} \Phi(X) - g \rangle_R \end{aligned}$$

□

#### 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  $M \in \text{Rep}(Q)$ , we define the order of  $M$  by

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

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

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

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

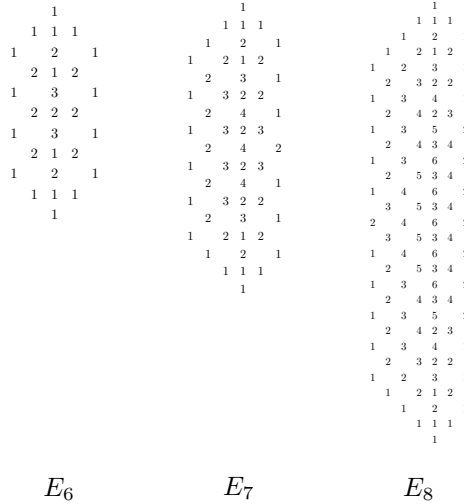


FIGURE 3. central information  $\text{ord}_e$  of Auslander-Reiten quiver<sup>6</sup>

By Theorem 3.1, we just need to focus on the case of indecomposable modules. The next lemma tells us, for the “representation of small order”, 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  $\text{Gr}_{\mathbf{f}}(\Phi(M))$  is either empty or is a singleton or is a direct product of some copies of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .*

**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  $\text{Gr}(\Phi(M))$  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  $\text{Gr}(\Phi(M))$  has an affine paving.<sup>7</sup>*

**In the rest of this section we focus on the indecomposable representation of  $E_6, E_7, E_8$  “with big order”.** 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 when we use the number  $\text{ord}_e(M)$  to represent the representation  $M$ , as shown in Figure 3.

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

*Proof.* Just observe the Auslander-Reiten sequence. The chosen minimal section monos are represented in Figure 4. Notice that for the most time  $\text{ord}_e(-)$  is enough to guarantee the map to be a mono.  $\square$

*Remark 4.5.* The condition  $\text{ord}(Y) > 2$  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*

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

*and dimensions of Extension groups among  $X, Y, S$ , as shown in the Table 1.*

*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.  $\square$

<sup>6</sup>Some representations  $M$  are hidden when  $\text{ord}_e(M) = 0$ . In [1] the Figure 3 is called the starting functions.

<sup>7</sup>The concept “quasi-simple” is defined in [3, Definition 15]; the concepts “preprojective”, “preinjective” and “regular” are defined in [3, 2.1.1]. It’s shown in [2, Section 9, Lemma 3] that the regular quasi-simple representation  $M$  have dimension vector smaller or equal to the minimal positive imaginary root, thus  $\text{ord}_e(M) \leq 2$  when the quiver is affine of type  $A$  or  $D$ .

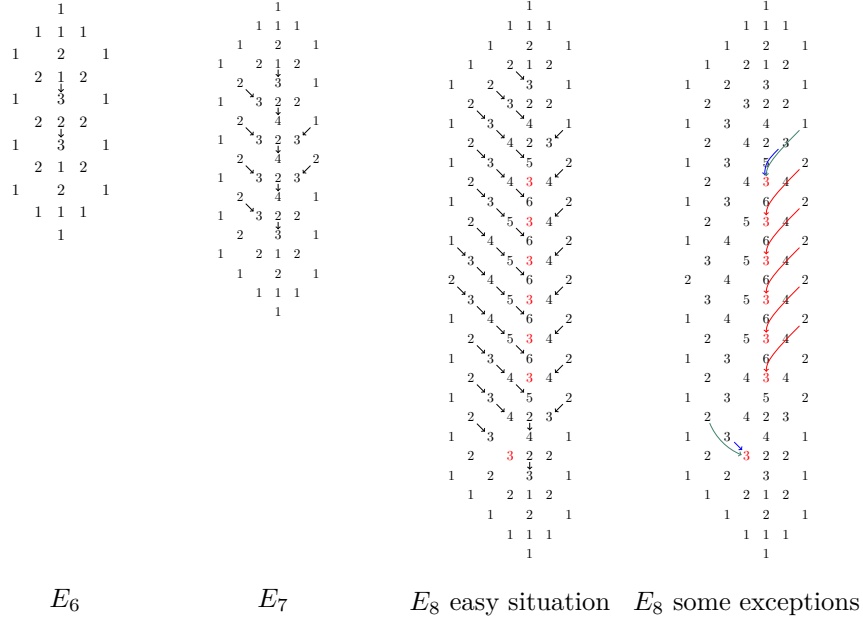


FIGURE 4. minimal section monos

$[M, N] \backslash N$	$X$	$Y$	$S$
$[M, N]^1$			
$M$			
$X$	$1$ $0$	$1$ $0$	$0$ $0$
$Y$	$0$ $0$	$1$ $0$	$1$ $0$
$S$	$0$ $1$	$0$ $0$	$1$ $0$

TABLE 2

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

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \iota^* \eta : & 0 & \longrightarrow & X & \hookrightarrow & Y' & \longrightarrow & N & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & & \parallel & & \downarrow \eta & & \downarrow \iota & & \\
 \eta : & 0 & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & Y & \longrightarrow & S & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

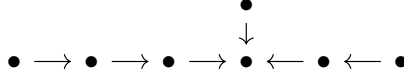
We decompose  $Y' = \oplus_i Y'_i$  as the direct sum of indecomposable representations. Since the map  $X \rightarrow Y$  is the minimal section mono, we get  $Y'_i = X$  or  $Y'_i = Y$  or  $X \xrightarrow{0} Y'_i$  for all  $i$ . If there exists  $i$  such that  $Y'_i = X$ , then  $\iota^*$  splits;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

**Lemma 4.8** (follows [3, Lemma 36], proof is exactly the same). *Let  $E \rightarrow X$  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  $\ker(E \rightarrow \tau Y) \cong E' \oplus \ker(\tau X_1 \rightarrow \tau Y)$ ; when  $Y$  is projective,  $X_S \cong E$ .*

**Corollary 4.9.** *When  $X \rightarrow Y$  is irreducible monomorphism, the representation  $X_S$  is either 0 or an indecomposable representation with property that  $X_S \rightarrow X$  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  $T \rightarrow X/F$  is not a good mono.

For example, take the quiver of type  $E_7$ :



take  $Y = {}_{122321}^1$ ,  $X = {}_{112321}^1$ , then  $X_S = {}_{111210}^1 \oplus {}_{000111}^0 = F \oplus T$ ,  $X/F = {}_{001111}^0$ , the map  $T \rightarrow X/F$  is not a good mono.

Luckily, we can avoid this bad situation by carefully choosing the minimal section mono  $X \rightarrow Y$ . The minimal section monos I chose are presented in Figure 4. 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  $\text{Gr}(-)$  to  $\text{Gr}(\Phi(-))$ . 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  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{D}$  cases.

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

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

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 4.

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

$$\text{Gr}(\Phi(Y)) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) \times \text{Gr}(\Phi(S)) \text{ or } \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) \setminus \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_S))$$



By observation of Figure 4,  $\text{ord}_e(S) = \text{ord}_e(Y) - \text{ord}_e(X)$  is smaller or equal to 2, so by Lemma 4.1  $\text{ord}_e(S)$  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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) &\longrightarrow \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_1)) \times \text{Gr}(\Phi(S_1)) \text{ or } \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_1)) \setminus \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_{1S_1})) \\ \text{Gr}(\Phi(X)) \setminus \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_S)) &\longrightarrow \text{Gr}(\Phi(X_1)) \times \text{Gr}(\Phi(S_1)) \end{aligned}$$

Luckily  $\text{ord}_e(S_1)$  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:  $\text{Gr}(M)$  as  $\text{Gr}_f(\Phi(M))$ ,  $U(M, N)$  as  $\text{Gr}_f(\Phi(M)) \setminus \text{Gr}_f(\Phi(N))$ , and we also ignore the dimension vectors.)

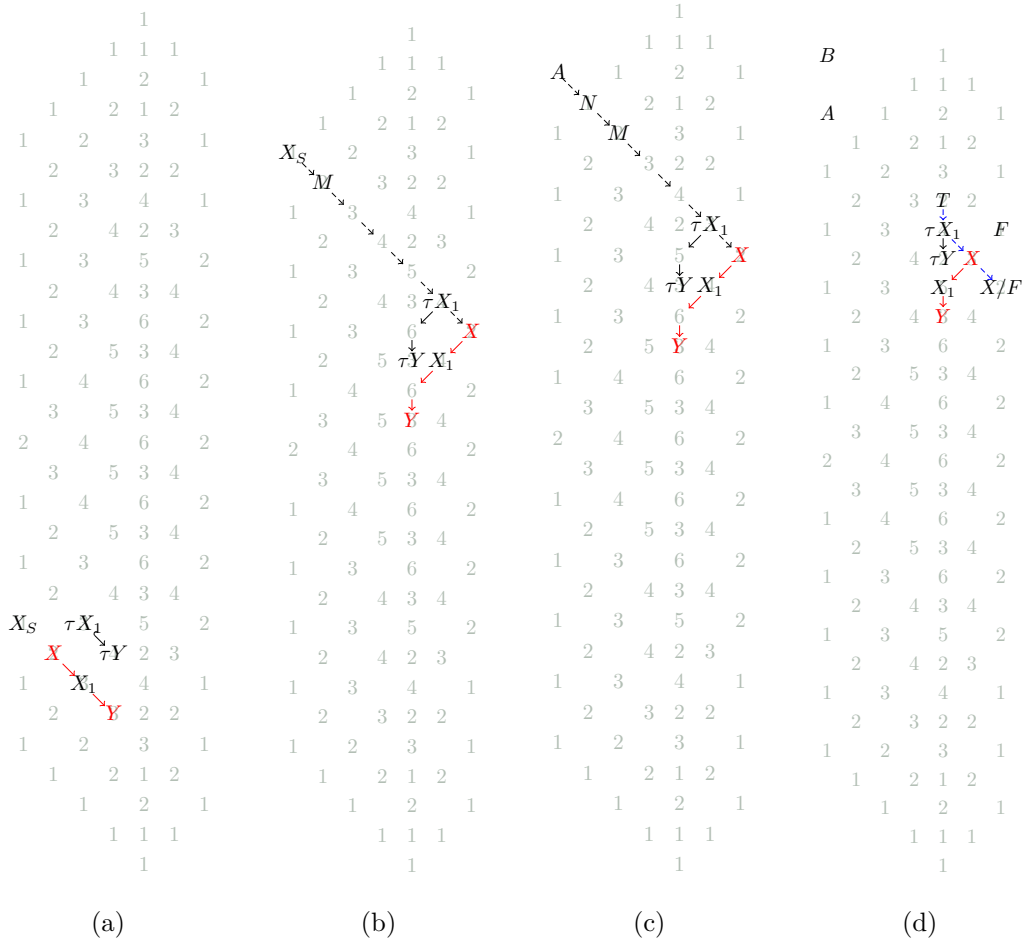


FIGURE 5. special cases

**Example A.1.** In the case of Figure 5(a), if  $X_1 \rightarrow Y$  is injective, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gr}(Y) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_1) \times \text{Gr}(Y/X_1) \text{ or } U(X_1, X) \\ \text{Gr}(X_1) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(X_1/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S) \\ U(X_1, X) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(X_1/X) \\ U(X, X_S) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(X/X_S). \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\text{Gr}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(Y/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S).$$

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

$$U(X, X_S) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(X/X_S).$$

These maps give the variety  $\text{Gr}(Y)$  an affine paving from bottom to top.

**Example A.2.** In Figure 5(b), we would like to prove that  $\text{Gr}(Y)$  has the affine paving property. We have

$$\text{Gr}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(Y/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S).$$

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

$$U(X, X_S) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(X/X_S);$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} U(X, X_S) &= U(X, M) \bigsqcup U(M, X_S) \\ U(X, M) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(M) \times \text{Gr}(X/M) \\ U(M, X_S) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(M/X_S). \end{aligned}$$

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  $\text{Gr}(Y)$  has the affine paving property.

**Example A.3.** In the case of Figure 5(c), we have

$$\text{Gr}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(Y/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S)$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} U(X, X_S) &= U(X, N) \bigsqcup U(N, X_S) \\ U(X, N) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(N) \times \text{Gr}(X/N) \\ U(N, X_S) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(N/X_S). \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} U(X, X_S) &= U(X, M) \bigsqcup U(M, N) \bigsqcup U(N, X_S) \\ U(X, M) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(M) \times \text{Gr}(X/M) \\ U(M, N) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(N) \times \text{Gr}(M/N) \\ U(N, X_S) &\rightarrow \text{Gr}(X_S) \times \text{Gr}(N/X_S). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{Gr}(X)$ ,  $\text{Gr}(Y/X)$ ,  $\text{Gr}(N)$ ,  $\dots$  have affine paving property, we conclude that  $\text{Gr}(Y)$  has also the affine paving property.

**Example A.4.** Finally we begin to handle the most difficult case (Figure 5(d)). When  $X \rightarrow Y$  is not injective, we get

$$\text{Gr}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(F) \times \text{Gr}(Y/F) \text{ or } U(F, ?)$$

then we get the result <sup>8</sup>.

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$$\text{Gr}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X) \times \text{Gr}(Y/X) \text{ or } U(X, X_S)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \eta : \quad 0 &\longrightarrow F \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{\pi} X/F \longrightarrow 0 \\ \xi : \quad 0 &\longrightarrow T \longrightarrow X/F \xrightarrow{\pi'} X/X_S \longrightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} N \in U(X, X_S) &\iff \pi' \circ \pi(N) \neq 0 \\ &\iff \pi(N) \notin \text{Gr}(T) \\ &\iff \pi(N) \in U(X/F, T) \\ &\iff \Psi_\eta(N) \in \text{Gr}(F) \times U(X/F, T) \end{aligned}$$

Thus the Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle map

$$U(X, F) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(F) \times \text{Gr}(X/F)$$

restricted to the Zarisky-locally trivial affine bundle map

$$U(X, X_S) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(F) \times U(X/F, T).$$

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

$$U(X/F, T) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(X/F) \times \text{Gr}(T).$$

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

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<sup>8</sup> $\text{Gr}(F)$  is empty or a singleton, so is  $U(F, ?)$ , no matter what representation is in the questionmark.