

Quiver varieties and moduli spaces attached to Kleinian singularities

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Main idea: Construct $\text{Hilb}^n \mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma$ as a Nakajima quiver variety.

Plan:

- What is a NQV (and why should we care?)
- Examples
- Some ideas from our proof
- A glance at a wall-and-chamber structure
- (if time (probably not):) generalisations.

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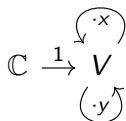
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A Π_Q -module M is thus a Q -representation satisfying the relations above, and has a dimension vector $(\dim M_\infty, \dim M_0)$.

Then:

Theorem (Nakajima)

There exists a fine moduli space $\mathfrak{M}(1, n)$ of stable Π -modules of dimension $(1, n)$.

We have $\mathfrak{M}(1, n) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2)$.

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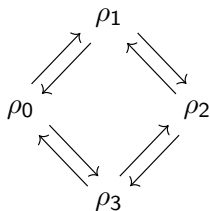
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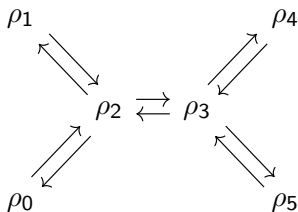
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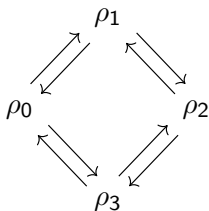


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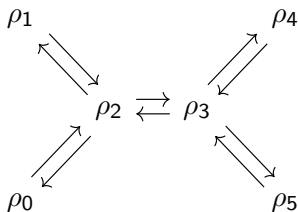


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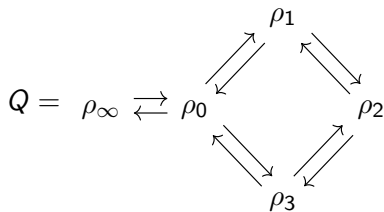
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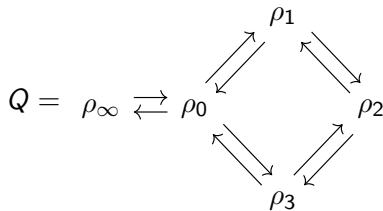


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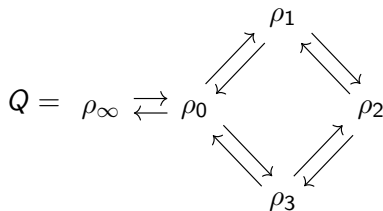
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So: it depends on θ , the quiver Q , and the dimension vector.

Theorem (Folklore, Kuznetsov 2001)

Choose a θ such that $\theta_i > 0$ for all $i \neq \infty$. Then

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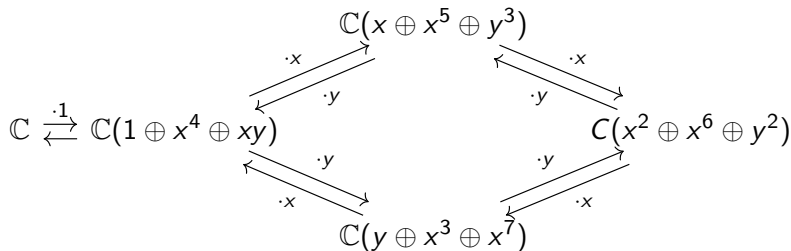
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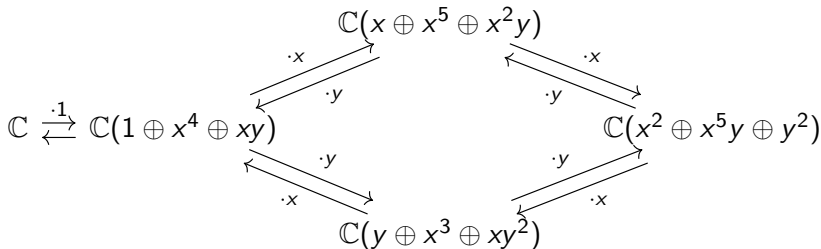
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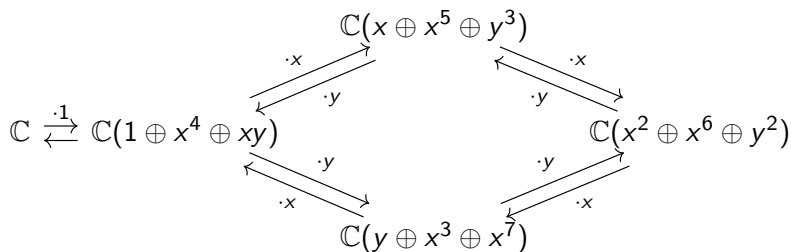
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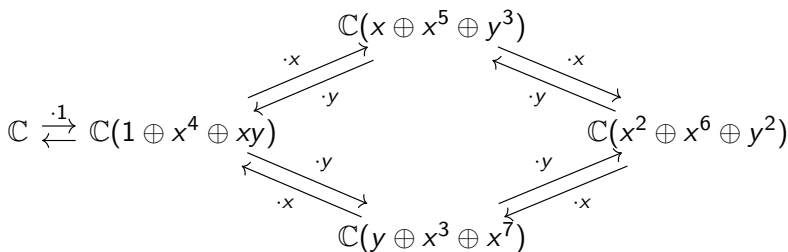
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Let's see how this works with Π -modules:

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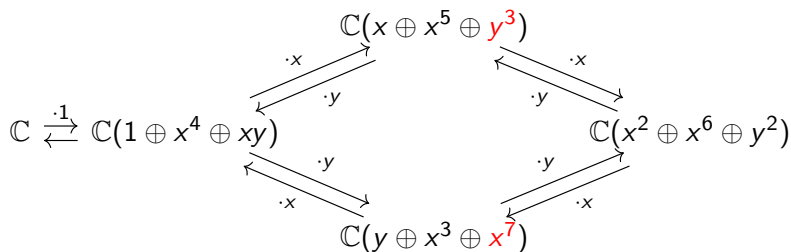


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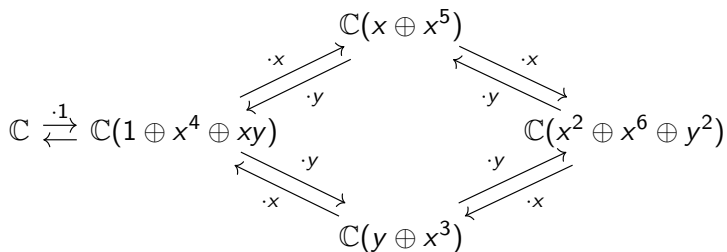
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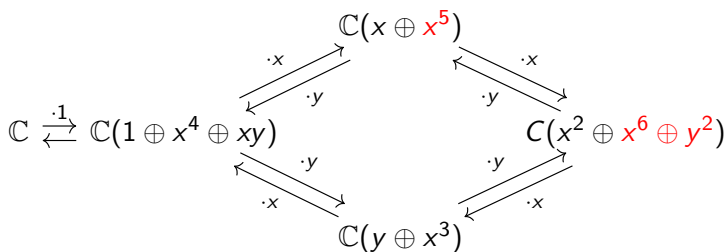


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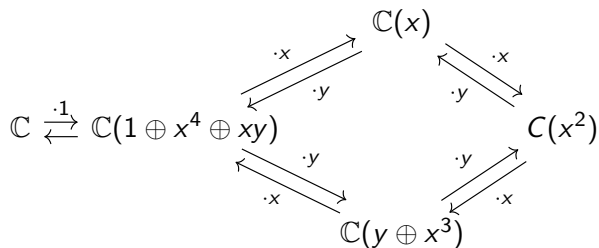


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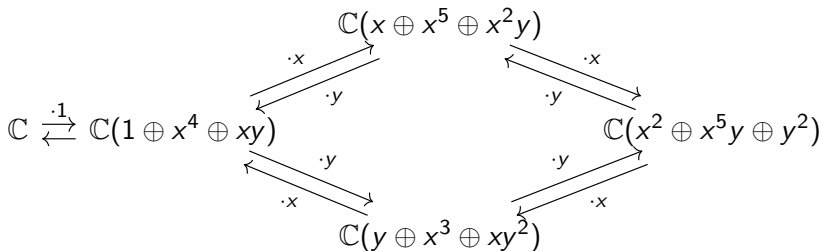
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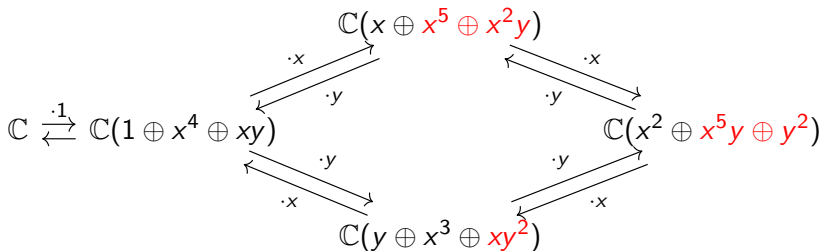


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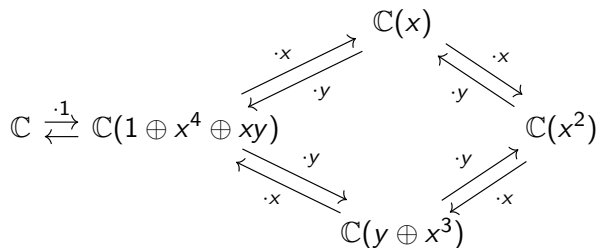
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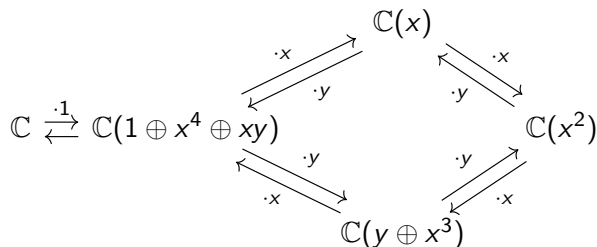
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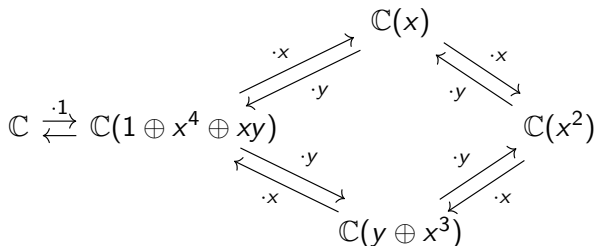
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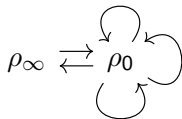
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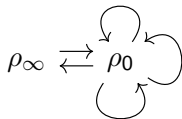
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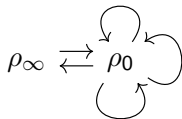


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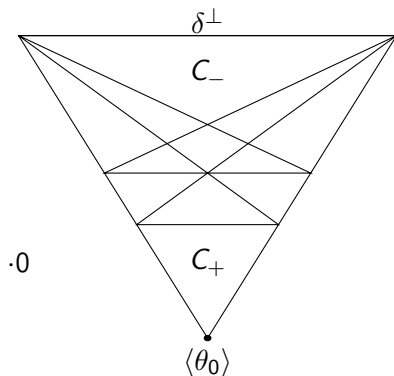


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Wall-and-chamber structure

Recall that θ varies in a wall-and-chamber structure. There is a complete description of it (Bellamy&Craw 2018)

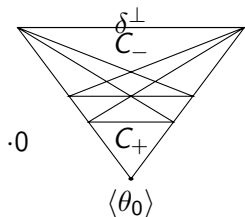
A map of stability parameters



This is a slice of the fundamental chamber in the wall-and-chamber structure for the stability parameter when $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}/3$, $n = 3$.
You should also imagine the "0" parameter sort of behind these.

You get:

- $\theta \in \delta^\perp$: $\widehat{\text{Sym}^n \mathbb{C}^2 / \Gamma}$ (Kuznetsov)
- $\theta \in C_-$: $\widehat{\text{Hilb}^n \mathbb{C}^2 / \Gamma}$ (Kuznetsov)
- $\theta \in C_+$: $n\Gamma$ - $\text{Hilb } \mathbb{C}^2$ (folklore)
- $\theta = \theta_0$: $\text{Hilb}^n \mathbb{C}^2 / \Gamma$ (C.-G.-Gy.-Sz.)
- $\theta = 0$: $\text{Sym}^n \mathbb{C}^2 / \Gamma$. (Nakajima (?))



By standard GIT arguments, moving θ around gives morphisms

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathrm{Hilb}^n(\widehat{\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma}) \\
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all birational.

Time (maybe?) to generalise.

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okay, that's fairly complicated, BUT:

- $\text{Quot}_I^{n'}([\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma])_{\text{red}}$ is a Nakajima quiver variety!
- In fact it is $\mathfrak{M}_{\theta_I}(1, v)$, where
 - 1 θ_I is a stability parameter only focusing on those vertices lying in I
 - 2 v is some dimension vector such that $v_i = n_i$ for any $i \in I$

How do we prove this?

Mainly the same strategies as before.

However, we can avoid ugly case-by-case analysis by carefully manipulating the dimension vectors - this is why we only say "there is *some* $v \dots$ "

You can find explicit v 's that work if you want to though.

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Theorem (Varagnolo-Vasserot)

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- \mathcal{F} is torsion-free of rank r ,
- satisfy $h^1(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{I}_{I_\infty}) = n$.

So we could guess that $\mathfrak{M}_{\theta_0}(r, n\delta)$ requires a compactification of \mathbb{C}^2/Γ .

It turns out that \mathbb{P}^2/Γ doesn't work.

So we instead make a *stack*

$$\mathcal{X} = [\mathbb{P}^2 \setminus \{0\}/\Gamma] \cup_{[\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}/\Gamma]} \mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma$$

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If $r = 1$, you can (with some work) identify these sheaves with points of $\text{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma)$.

Some idea of the proof:

There are maps

$$\mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow [\mathbb{P}^2/\Gamma] \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2/\Gamma.$$

The proof really focuses on pushing sheaves/pulling back sheaves along $q: [\mathbb{P}^2/\Gamma] \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$.

In this way, many of the properties carry over fairly easily.

On the level of Π -modules: Moving to θ_0 -stability, we again quotient out by submodules supported away from ρ_0 .

This turns out to correspond to \varinjlim of all sheaves on $[\mathbb{P}^2/\Gamma]$ mapping to the same sheaf on \mathcal{X} .

Thank you!