

Braid variety cluster structures.

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Def A quiver Q is a directed graph without $\emptyset$, $a \rightleftharpoons 0$,
vertices partitioned into frozen and mutable



$\boxed{i}$ frozen
+ mutable
arrows between frozen omitted

Cluster structures on varieties:

Interesting variety $X \rightarrow$ coordinate ring $\mathbb{C}[X]$

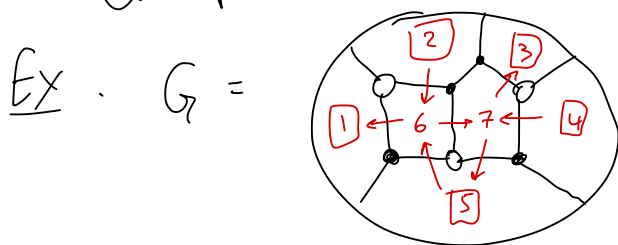
Quiver $Q \rightarrow$ cluster algebra $A(Q) \subset \mathbb{C}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$
vertices: $1, 2, \dots, n$

Usually: Q, X - known/easy, showing $\mathbb{C}[X] = A(Q)$ - hard

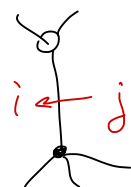
Today: X - easy, Q - hard

Examples of cluster structures:

(1) X = open positroid variety [KLS '13, Postnikov '06]
 Q = planar dual of a planar, bicolored graph G



planar, bicolored
arrows of Q :



square moves



$\rightarrow$ cluster mutations of Q .

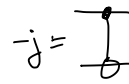
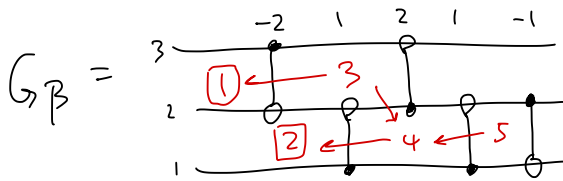
Cluster structure: [G-Lam '19] [SSBW '19], [Leclerc '14],
[Muller-Speyer '14]

(2) $X = \text{Double Bruhat cell}$ (Fomin-Zelevinsky '99) [2]
 $v, w \in S_n \rightsquigarrow \text{double braid word } \beta \in (\pm I)^{l(v)+l(w)}$
 $I \text{ and } -I \text{ commute}$ $I = \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$

$\beta = \text{shuffle of (red. word for } w \text{ on } + \text{ indices) and}$
 $(\text{red. word for } v \text{ on } - \text{ indices})$

Quiver: dual of plabic graph G_β

Ex. $v = s_2 s_1$ $w = s_1 s_2 s_1 \in S_3$, $\beta = -2 \ 1 \ 2 \ 1 \ -1$



Braid varieties

— include positroid varieties / double Bruhat cells as special cases.

— input:

$\beta = i_1 i_2 \dots i_m \in (\pm I)^m$
 $u \in S_n$ such that $u \leq \beta$

$$\beta = i_1, \dots, i_m \in (\pm I)^m, u \in S_n$$

Def. Positive distinguished subexpr.

Set $u_m := u$. For $c = m, \dots, 2, 1$, set

Write $u \leq \beta$ if $u_0 = id$

Let $J := \{c : u_c = u_{c-1}\}$ - solid crossings
not in J - hollow crossings (ic)

$$u_{c-1} = \begin{cases} \min(u_c, u_c s_{i_c}), & i_c > 0 \\ \min(u_c, s_{i_c} u_c), & i_c < 0 \end{cases}$$

Def. Almost positive subexpr. Fix $d \in J$.

$$\text{Set } u_m^{(d)} = u, u_{c-1}^{(d)} = \begin{cases} \min(u_c^{(d)}, u_c^{(d)} s_{i_c}), & i_c > 0 \\ \min(u_c^{(d)}, s_{i_c} u_c^{(d)}), & i_c < 0 \end{cases} \text{ for } c \neq d, u_{c-1}^{(d)} = \begin{cases} \max(-11-), & c = d. \\ \max(-11-), \end{cases}$$

"mistake"

Call $d \in J$ mutable if $u_0^{(d)} = id$, frozen otherwise.

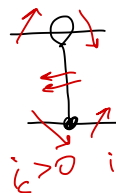
[BFZ '05]
[Ingelman '19]

"Grid minors":
(Type A only!)

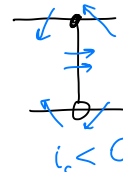
$$\Delta_{c,i} = \prod_{d \in J: u_c[i] \neq u_c^{(d)}[i]} x_d$$

$$[i] = \{1, \dots, i\}$$

$$\Delta_{c,-i} = \prod_{d \in J: u_c[i] \neq (u_c^{(d)})^{-1}[i]} x_d$$



$i_c > 0$ in $\pi_+(G_{u, \beta})$



$i_c < 0$ in $\pi_-(G_{u, \beta})$

Quiver $Q_{u, \beta}$ For each $c \in J$,
sum up half-arrows.

Alternative construction:

Def (Goncharov-Kenyon '13) G -plabic graph $\Rightarrow G$ -ribbon graph
clockwise/ccw edge order around black/white vertices.

Conjugate surface S_G :



Faces of $G \rightarrow$ some cycles inside S_G
moves preserve S_G . $[Q_G \Leftrightarrow \text{intersection form of } S_G]$

Our construction:

$\pi_+(G_{u, \beta}), \pi_-(G_{u, \beta})$ are projections of a 3D plabic graph $G_{u, \beta}$.

Regions where x_d appears: projections of a 2-disk D_d , ∂D_d -cycle in $G_{u, \beta}$.

Quiver $Q_{u, \beta}$ - intersection form of conjugate surface of $G_{u, \beta}$

$u = s_2$

$\beta = -2 \quad 1 \quad \textcircled{2} \quad 1 \quad -1$ (hollow)

c	0	1	2	3	4	5
u_c	id	id	id	s_2	s_2	s_2
$u_c^{(s)}$	id	id	s_1	$s_1 s_2$	$s_1 s_2$	s_2
$u_c^{(u)}$	id	s_2	$s_2 s_1$	$s_2 s_1$	s_2	s_2
$u_c^{(s)}$	s_1	s_1	id	s_2	s_2	s_2
frozen $\rightarrow u_c^{(s)}$	s_2	id	id	s_2	s_2	s_2

