

Cluster categories from Calabi-Yau algebras

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Subject: Cluster category

A differential graded (dg) algebra Λ over a field k is **n -Calabi-Yau (CY)** if

- Λ is homologically smooth, that is, $\Lambda \in \text{per } \Lambda^e$ where $\Lambda^e = \Lambda^{op} \otimes_k \Lambda$.
- There is an isomorphism $\text{RHom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, \Lambda^e)[n] \simeq \Lambda$ in $\mathcal{D}(\Lambda^e)$.

Theorem-Definition (Amiot, [1])

Let Λ be a $(d+1)$ -CY dg algebra concentrated in (cohomological) degree ≤ 0 such that $H^0\Lambda$ is finite dimensional, and set

$$\mathcal{C}(\Lambda) := \text{per } \Lambda / \mathcal{D}^b(\Lambda).$$

Then this category is d -CY, and $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C}(\Lambda)$ is a d -cluster tilting object. We call $\mathcal{C}(\Lambda)$ the **cluster category** of Λ .

Note:

- $\text{per } \Lambda = \text{perfect derived category of } \Lambda$.
- $\mathcal{D}^b(\Lambda) = \{\text{dg } \Lambda\text{-modules of finite dimensional total cohomology}\}$.
- $\mathcal{D}^b(\Lambda) \subset \text{per } \Lambda$ by smoothness of Λ .

Popular examples (Keller, [3])

- The Calabi-Yau completion (or the derived preprojective algebra) $\Pi_{d+1}(A)$ is $(d+1)$ -CY.
 - attached to a $(\tau_d$ -finite, finite dimensional) algebra A .
 - The associated cluster category $\mathcal{C}(\Pi_{d+1}(A)) =: \mathcal{C}_d(A)$ is the d -cluster category of A ; d -CY with a d -cluster tilting object. There is an embedding $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A) / \nu_d \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}_d(A)$ for $\nu_d = -\otimes_A^L DA[-d]$.
- The Ginzburg dg algebra $\Gamma(Q, W)$ is 3-CY.
 - attached to a (Jacobi-finite) quiver with potential
 - The associated cluster category $\mathcal{C}(\Gamma(Q, W)) =: \mathcal{C}_{(Q, W)}$ is cluster category for quiver with potential; 2-CY with a 2-cluster tilting object.

The definition of general cluster category is somehow abstract.

Aim

Give some descriptions of $\mathcal{C}(\Lambda)$ for some class of CY dg algebras Λ .

Results

We first construct examples of CY dg algebras from ordinary (non-dg) CY algebras.

Recall: a graded (non-dg) algebra R is **n -CY of a -invariant a** if

- R is homologically smooth, that is, $R \in \text{per } {}^{\mathbb{Z}}R^e$.
- There is an isomorphism $\text{RHom}_{R^e}(R, R^e)(a)[n] \simeq R$ in $\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod } {}^{\mathbb{Z}}R^e)$.

Example (of non-dg Calabi-Yau algebras)

- Polynomial rings.
- Skew group rings.
- Preprojective algebras.
- Jacobian algebras

We view a graded algebra R as a dg algebra R^{dg} with 0 differentials.

Proposition

Let R be a graded n -CY algebra of a -invariant a . Then R^{dg} is sign-twisted $(n+a)$ -CY.

Example

Let $R = k[x_0, \dots, x_d]$ with $\deg x_i = -a_i < 0$.

- As a graded algebra, this is $(d+1)$ -CY of a -invariant $a = \sum_{i=0}^d a_i$.
- As a dg algebra R^{dg} , this is $(d+a+1)$ -CY.

Toward our main result,

Input

A negatively graded algebra

$$R = \bigoplus_{i \leq 0} R_i$$

which is $(d+1)$ -CY of a -invariant a , and each R_i is finite dimensional.

An important category associated to a graded algebra R is

$$\text{qgr } R := \text{mod } {}^{\mathbb{Z}}R / \text{fl } {}^{\mathbb{Z}}R = \{\text{finitely generated graded modules}\} / \{\text{finite length graded modules}\}.$$

Remark:

- When R is generated in degree -1 , then $\text{qgr } R = \text{coh}(\text{Proj } R)$, the category of coherent sheaves over the projective scheme $\text{Proj } R$.
- $\text{qgr } R$ is therefore called the **non-commutative projective scheme** (Artin-Zhang).

Define

$$\begin{aligned} T = R \oplus \dots \oplus R(-(a-1)) & : \text{tilting bundle on } \text{qgr } R \text{ (see below),} \\ A = \text{End}_{\text{qgr } R}(T) & : \text{finite dimensional algebra,} \\ U = \text{Hom}_{\text{qgr } R}(T, T(-1)) & : (A, A)\text{-bimodule,} \\ B = A \oplus U & : \text{trivial extension algebra.} \end{aligned}$$

Notes:

- When $R = k[x_0, \dots, x_d]$ with $\deg x_i = -1$, then $\text{qgr } R = \text{coh } \mathbb{P}^d$ and T is Beilinson's tilting bundle $\mathcal{O} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{O}(d)$ on \mathbb{P}^d . The above T is its non-commutative analogue (Minamoto-Mori, [4]), and we have a triangle equivalence $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) \simeq \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A)$.
- It is easy to see B is **d -Gorenstein**, i.e. $\text{inj. dim } B \leq d$ (Minamoto-Yamaura).

Main Theorem

There exists an embedding and a triangle equivalence

$$\mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) / (-1)[1] \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(R^{dg}) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathcal{D}_{\text{sg}}(B).$$

Proof: The functor taking total complexes $\text{Tot}: \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } {}^{\mathbb{Z}}R) \rightarrow \text{per } R^{dg}$ induces the first embedding. We use quasi-equivalence of dg orbit categories to show the second equivalence. \square

Remark: in terms of finite dimensional algebra A

We can write the orbit category $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) / (-1)[1]$ in terms of A .

- Comparison of Serre functors shows

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} (a)[d] \\ \circlearrowleft \\ \mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) \\ \circlearrowright \\ (-1) \end{array} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \begin{array}{c} \nu = -\otimes_A^L DA \\ \circlearrowleft \\ \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A) \\ \circlearrowright \\ \nu_d^{-1/a} \end{array} \end{array}$$

Therefore we define $\nu_d^{-1/a}$ as the automorphism of $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A)$ corresponding to (-1) on $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R)$, so that $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) / (-1)[1] \simeq \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A) / \nu_d^{-1/a}[1]$.

- We can formally write $\nu_d^{-1/a}[1] = \nu_{d+a}^{-1/a}$, and therefore have an embedding

$$\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A) / \nu_{d+a}^{-1/a} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(R^{dg}).$$

This shows $\mathcal{C}(R^{dg})$ is a " $\mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z}$ -quotient" of the $(d+a)$ -cluster category $\mathcal{C}_{d+a}(A)$ of A .

Examples

We look at polynomial rings $R = k[x_0, \dots, x_d]$ with various gradings.

Easiest Example

Let

$$R = k[x, y] \text{ with } \deg x = \deg y = -1,$$

which is bimodule 2-CY of a -invariant 2.

- By Proposition, R^{dg} is sign-twisted 4-CY.
- The algebra $A = \text{End}_{\text{qgr } R}(T) = \text{End}_{\text{pt}}(\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1))$ is the Kronecker quiver

$$\circ \rightrightarrows \circ .$$

- The 1-Gorenstein algebra $B = A \oplus U$ is presented by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & u & \\ & \curvearrowright & \\ \circ & \xrightarrow{x} & \circ \\ & \curvearrowleft & \\ & y & \end{array} , \quad xuy = yux, \quad uxu = uyu = 0.$$

with "commutativity relations" and " $u^2 = 0$ ".

- By Main Theorem, there exist equivalences of (twisted) 3-CY categories

$$\mathcal{D}^b(\text{coh } \mathbb{P}^1) / (1)[1] = \mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) / (-1)[1] \simeq \mathcal{C}(R^{dg}) \simeq \mathcal{D}_{\text{sg}}(B).$$

In general we have the following descriptions of A and B .

Proposition

Let $R = k[x_0, \dots, x_d]$ with $\deg x_i = -a_i < 0$ so that R is $(d+1)$ -CY of a -invariant $a = \sum_{i=0}^d a_i$. Suppose that (a_0, \dots, a_d) is relatively prime and let G be the cyclic subgroup of $\text{SL}_{d+1}(k)$ generated by $g = \text{diag}(\zeta^{a_0}, \dots, \zeta^{a_d})$ for a primitive a -th root of unity ζ .

- The finite dimensional algebra A is presented by the quiver which is obtained from the McKay quiver of G by removing the arrows $i \rightarrow j$ with $i > j$, where i is the vertex corresponding to the representation $g \mapsto \zeta^i$ ($0 \leq i \leq a-1$) of G .
- The d -Gorenstein algebra B is presented by the quiver obtained by adding to the quiver of A the arrows $u: i \rightarrow i-1$ for each $1 \leq i \leq a-1$.

Bigger Example

Let

$$R = k[x, y, z] \text{ with } \deg x = -1, \deg y = -1, \deg z = -3,$$

which is bimodule 3-CY of a -invariant 5.

- By Proposition, the dg algebra R^{dg} is 8-CY.
- The finite dimensional algebra $A = \text{End}_{\text{qgr } R}(R \oplus \dots \oplus R(-4))$ is presented by the quiver below (with the vertex i in the above Proposition corresponding to the summand $R(-i)$)

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & R & & \\ & & \swarrow x & \searrow y & \\ R(-4) & \xleftarrow{z} & & & R(-1) \\ & \swarrow x & & \searrow y & \\ & & R(-3) & \xleftarrow{x} & R(-2) \end{array}$$

with commutativity relations.

- The 2-Gorenstein algebra $B = A \oplus U$ is given by

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & R & & \\ & & \swarrow x & \searrow y & \\ R(-4) & \xleftarrow{z} & & & R(-1) \\ & \swarrow x & & \searrow y & \\ & & R(-3) & \xleftarrow{x} & R(-2) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \\ \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array}$$

with commutativity relations and $u^2 = 0$.

- By Main Theorem, there exists an embedding and an equivalence of 7-CY categories

$$\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } A) / \nu_7^{-1/5} = \mathcal{D}^b(\text{qgr } R) / (-1)[1] \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(R^{dg}) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathcal{D}_{\text{sg}}(B).$$

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