ADDENDUM TO "CLUSTER AUTOMORPHISMS AND COMPATIBILITY OF CLUSTER VARIABLES"

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We prove that Conjecture 1.1 and 1.2 hold true for cluster algebras of Dynkin type. For definitions and notations we refer to [ASS2].

Theorem 0.1. Let \mathcal{A} be a cluster algebra of Dynkin type, then \mathcal{A} is unistructural.

Proof. Assume that \mathcal{A} is given two cluster structures $\mathcal{X} = \bigcup_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{\beta} \mathbf{x}'_{\beta}$ where \mathbf{x}_{α} and \mathbf{x}'_{β} are clusters in their respective structures. Denote the two cluster structures by S and S', respectively. Let $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n\}$ be the initial cluster of S. We claim that \mathbf{x} is also a cluster in S'. If not, then there exist two initial variables x_i, x_j which are not compatible in S': indeed, this can be seen by using the well-known bijections between clusters and tilting objects in the associated cluster category, and between cluster variables and rigid indecomposable objects. Because of the positivity theorem, each of x_i and x_j is a positive element in \mathcal{A} (in both structures), hence so is their product $x_i x_j$. Cerulli-Irelli showed that the cluster monomials form an atomic basis for \mathcal{A} , see [C] Th.1.1, which implies that every positive element is a linear combination of cluster monomials with non-negative coefficients.

Therefore the product $x_i x_j$ in the structure S' can be written as a positive linear combination of cluster monomials: $x_i x_j = \sum \lambda_{M'} M'$. Each of the cluster monomials M' is a product of S'-compatible cluster variables and each of these cluster variables can be written as a positive Laurent polynomial in x_1, \ldots, x_n , because the latter is a cluster of S and both structures have the same set of cluster variables. Thus the cluster monomial M' can also be written as a positive Laurent polynomial $\mathcal{L}(M')$ in $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$.

Replacing each M' by $\mathcal{L}(M')$ in the sum $\sum \lambda_{M'}M'$, we get

$$x_i x_j = \sum \lambda_{M'} \mathcal{L}(M')$$

and because of positivity there is no cancellation of terms in the right hand side. Therefore the sum $\sum \lambda_{M'}M'$ has only one term $M' = x_ix_j$ and $\lambda_{M'} = 1$. But this means that x_i and x_j are S'-compatible, a contradiction. This proves that $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$ is a cluster in the structure S'.

In order to complete the proof it suffices to show that the quiver Q' of the cluster $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$ in the structure S' is equal or opposite to the quiver Q of the same cluster in the structure S. The mutations μ_i and μ'_i in the direction i applied to the cluster $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$ in both structures S and S' will produce a variable whose denominator is x_i . Namely,

$$\mu_i(x_i) = \frac{\prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q} x_j + \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q} x_j}{x_i} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu'_i(x_i) = \frac{\prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q'} x_j + \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q'} x_j}{x_i}.$$

Since both cluster structures have the same cluster variables and since in the Dynkin case the denominators determine the cluster variables, it follows that $\mu_i(x_i) =$

 $\mu'_i(x_i)$ and therefore either

$$\prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q} x_j = \prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q'} x_j \quad \text{and} \quad \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q} x_j = \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q'} x_j$$

or

$$\prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q} x_j = \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q'} x_j \quad \text{and} \quad \prod_{i \leftarrow j \text{ in } Q} x_j = \prod_{i \to j \text{ in } Q'} x_j.$$

Since i is arbitrary and Q is connected, this implies that Q=Q' or $Q=Q'^{op}. \quad \Box$

Corollary 0.2. Conjecture 1.1 holds true for cluster algebras of Dynkin type.

Proof. This follows from the above theorem and Theorem 1.4.

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