

# Infinite friezes and triangulations of annuli

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# Frieze Patterns

Coxeter '71

Infinite arrays of numbers where

$$\begin{matrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{matrix} \text{d} \iff ad - bc = 1$$

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
4 1 2 2 2 1 4 1 2 2 2 1 4 1  
3 1 3 3 1 3 3 1 3 3 1 3 3 1  
2 1 4 1 2 2 2 1 4 1 2 2 2  
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
0 0 0 0 - - - . 0

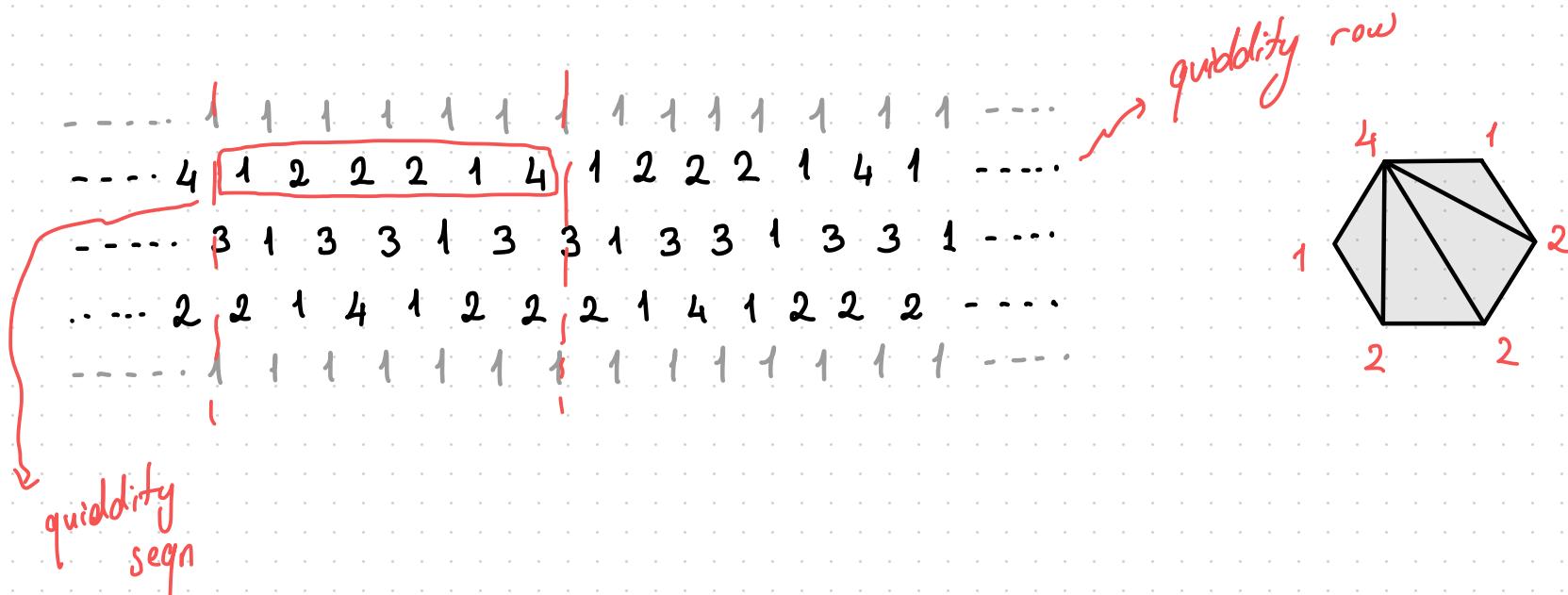
row 0's  
row 1's  
}  
width = 3  
row 1's  
row 0's

Coxeter' 71 • Finite friezes of width  $m$  are periodic with period dividing  $m+3$

- Friezes are invariant under glide symmetry

Conway - Coxeter '73

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{finite integral} \\ \text{friezes with} \\ \text{width } n \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow[1:1]{} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{triangulations} \\ \text{of convex} \\ (n+3)\text{-gon} \end{array} \right\}$$



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## Infinite friezes

0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	
2	5	4	1	2		5	4	- -
9	19	3	1	9		19	- -	
34	14	2	4		34	14	- -	
15	25	9	7	15	25	- -	- -	
26	11	16	31	26	11	16	- -	
19	7	55	115	19	7	- -	- -	
!	!	!	!	!	!	!	!	!

Baur-Parsons-Tschabold '16

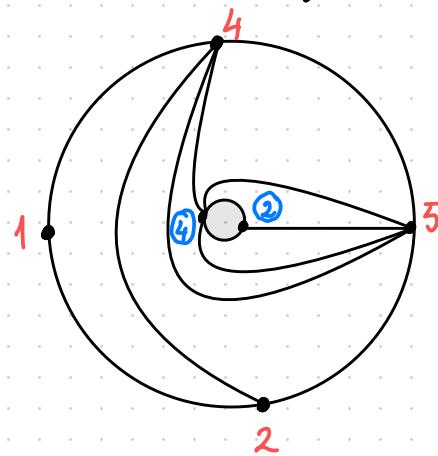
Periodic integral friezes

quadratic sequence

row of 0's & 1's ; infinite width

$$\begin{matrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{matrix} \iff ad - bc = 1$$

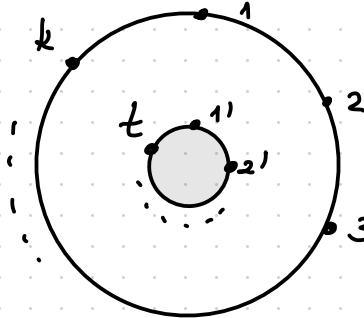
[BPT] Infinite periodic friezes come from triangulations of annuli



0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1
4	2	4	4
7	7	7	7
24	24	24	24
!	!	!	!

$C_{k,t}$  annulus,  $\mathcal{T}$  triangulation

$\rightsquigarrow (F_k, F_t)$  pair of infinite  
friezes associated with  $(C_{k,t}; \mathcal{T})$



Question

How are these two friezes related?

Definition

Skeletal frieze: no 1's in its quiddity seqn

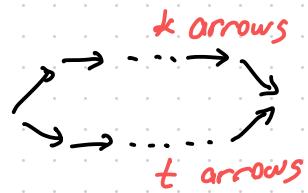
q<sup>s</sup>

Skeletal triangulations: no arcs connecting marked points on  
the same boundary component

$\mathcal{T}^s$

Note

$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}^s$  iff  $Q_{\mathcal{T}}$  is a non-oriented cycle



Proposition

$\mathcal{T}$  triangulation of  $C_{k,t}$  annulus  $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{T}^s$  its skeletal triangulation

$(\mathcal{F}_k, \mathcal{F}_t)$  pair of freezes assoc.  $(C_{k,t}; \mathcal{T})$

$(\mathcal{F}_k^s, \mathcal{F}_t^s)$   $\equiv$   $(C_{k^s, t^s}^s; \mathcal{T}^s)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{T} & \longrightarrow & (\mathcal{F}_k, \mathcal{F}_t) \\ \downarrow & \curvearrowleft & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{T}^s & \longrightarrow & (\mathcal{F}_k^s, \mathcal{F}_t^s) \end{array}$$



Theorem [BGJKT]

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{skeletal quiddity} \\ \text{sequence} \\ q = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k) \\ n = k + \sum_{i=1}^k (a_i - 2) \end{array} \right\} \xrightleftharpoons[1:1]{\quad} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{skeletal} \\ \text{triangulations} \\ \text{of } C_{k,t} \end{array} \right\}$$

Theorem [BGJKT] Let  $\mathcal{F}_k$  be an infinite frieze. Then

- i  $\mathcal{F}_k^s$  uniquely determines  $\mathcal{F}_t^s$  such that  $(\mathcal{F}_k^s, \mathcal{F}_t^s)$  pair
- ii  $\mathcal{F}_k$  gives rise to an infinite family of infinite friezes  $\mathcal{F}_t$  such that  $(\mathcal{F}_k, \mathcal{F}_t)$  pair.

## Growth coefficient

$\mathcal{F}$  infinite frieze of period  $n$ ,  
i.e.  $q = (a_1, a_2 \dots a_n)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$a_i$	$a_{i+1}$	$\dots$	$a_{j-1}$	$a_j$	$\dots$	$a_{i+n-i-2}$	row ①
$a_{i,j-2}$	$a_{i+1,j-1}$	$\dots$	$a_{i+2,j}$	$\dots$			
$a_{i,j-1}$	$a_{i+1,j}$	$\dots$	$a_{i+2,j+1}$	$\dots$			
$a_{i,j}$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	row $j-i+1$
$\vdots$							

The growth coefficient of  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined by

$$S_{\mathcal{F}} := a_{i,n+i-1} - a_{i-t,n+i-2}$$

invariant for  $\mathcal{F}$   
[BPT]

Theorem BGJKT

$$a_{i,n} = \sum_{I \subseteq \{i, \dots, j\}} (-1)^{\ell_I} \prod_{k \in I} \alpha_k$$

pair-excluding

$\ell_I$  : # pairs excluded from  $\{i, \dots, j\}$

$$S_F = \left( \sum_{I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}} (-1)^{\ell_I} \prod_{k \in I} \alpha_k \right) + S_n$$

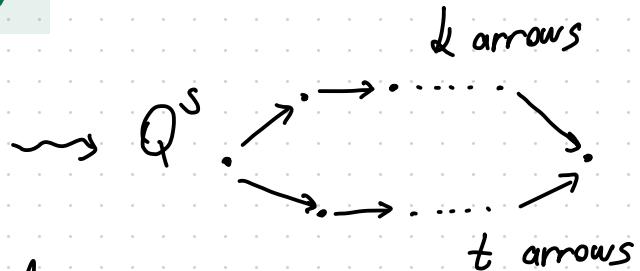
cyclical pair-excluding

$$S_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ odd} \\ 1 & 4 \mid n \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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## Module theoretic interpretation

$C_{k,t}$  annulus,  $T^S$  triangulation

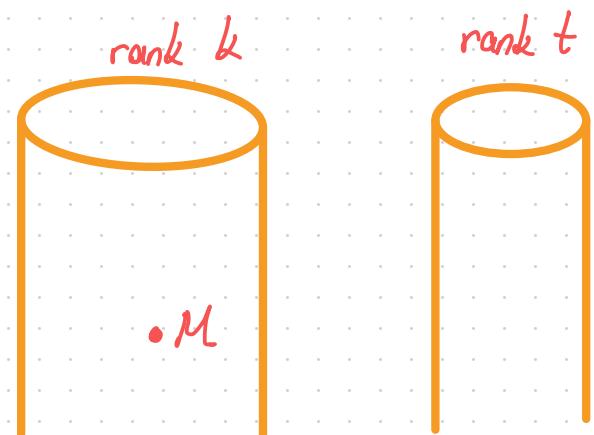


$\rightsquigarrow \Lambda = kQ^S$  cluster-tilted algebra of type  $\tilde{A}_{k,t}$

$\rightsquigarrow$  The AR-quiver of  $\Lambda$  contains

two non-homogeneous tubes of rank  $k$  and rank  $t$

$\rightsquigarrow M$  indecomposable in these tubes

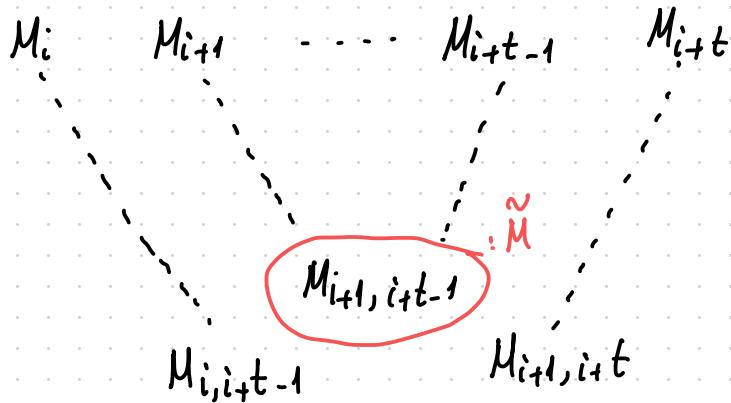


Consider a specialised CC-map

$$s(M) = \sum_{\substack{e: \dim N \\ N \leq M}} x(\text{Gr}_e M)$$

$M$  rigid  $\Rightarrow s(M) = \# \text{ submodules of } M$

$M$  non-rigid  $\Rightarrow s(M) = \# \text{ perfect matchings of}$   
the snake graph assoc.  
with  $M$  [G-Schroll '18]



$$s(M_i) = a_i$$

$$s(M_{i,i+t}) = a_{i,i+t}$$

for  $t \geq 1$

Whenever  $0 \rightarrow \gamma M \rightarrow B \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$

is an AR-sequence in mod A,

$$\text{then } s(\gamma M)s(M) - s(B) = 1$$

diamond rule

$$M = M_{i,i+t}$$

$$\tilde{M} = M_{i+1, i+t-1}$$

$$N := M_i \oplus M_{i+1} \oplus \cdots \oplus M_{i+t}$$

$$N_j := N / (M_j \oplus M_{j+1})$$

$$N_{j_1, j_2} := N / (M_{j_1} \oplus M_{j_1+1} \oplus M_{j_2} \oplus M_{j_2+1})$$

⋮

$$N_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k} := N / (M_{j_1} \oplus M_{j_1+1} \oplus \cdots \oplus M_{j_k} \oplus M_{j_k+1})$$

Theorem [BGJKT]

$$s(M) - s(\tilde{M}) = s(N) - \sum_{j=i}^{i+t} s(N_j) + \sum_{\substack{j_1, j_2 = i \\ j_1 < j_2 - 1}}^{i+t} s(N_{j_1, j_2}) + \cdots + R$$

$$R = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{t}{2}} \cdot 2 & t \text{ even} \\ 0 & t \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$