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Abstract

We introduce the notions of quasi-Laurent and Laurent families of simple modules over quiver Hecke algebras of arbitrary symmetrizable types. We prove that such a family plays a similar role of a cluster in quantum cluster algebra theory and exhibits a quantum Laurent positivity phenomenon similar to the basis of the quantum unipotent coordinate ring $\mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n}(w))$, coming from the categorification. Then we show that the families of simple modules categorifying Geiß-Leclerc-Schröer (GLS) clusters are Laurent families by using the Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt (PBW) decomposition vector of a simple module X and categorical interpretation of (co)degree of [X]. As applications of such Z-vectors, we define several skew-symmetric pairings on arbitrary pairs of simple modules, and investigate the relationships among the pairings and Λ -invariants of R-matrices in the quiver Hecke algebra theory.

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1. Introduction

A cluster algebra and its non-commutative version quantum cluster algebra, were introduced by Berenstein, Fomin and Zelevinsky [FZ02, BZ05] in an attempt to provide an algebraic and combinatorial framework for investigating the upper global basis of the quantum group.

The quantum cluster algebra \mathscr{A}_q is a non-commutative $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}]$ -subalgebra in the skew field $\mathbb{Q}(q^{1/2})(X_i)_{i\in\mathsf{K}}$ generated by the cluster variables, which are obtained from the initial cluster $\{X_i\}_{i\in\mathsf{K}}$ via the sequences of procedures, called *mutations*. Even though mutations involve non-trivial fractions, \mathscr{A}_q is still contained in $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}][X_i^{\pm 1}]_{i\in\mathsf{K}}$ with amazing reductions of fractions which is referred to as the *quantum Laurent phenomenon* [BZ05]. The famous conjecture, which

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is not completely proved yet at this moment, is the quantum Laurent positivity conjecture which asserts that every cluster variable is an element in $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[q^{\pm 1/2}][X_i^{\pm 1}]_{i\in K}$ for any cluster $\{X_i\}_{i\in K}$. Note that the conjecture is proved in [Dav18] (see also [LS15, GHKK18]) when \mathscr{A}_q is of skewsymmetric type and is widely open when it is of non-skew-symmetric type.

The notion of monoidal categorification of (quantum) cluster algebra was introduced by Hernandez and Leclerc in [HL10] (see also [KKKO18]) as the categorical framework for proving the conjecture as follows: a monoidal category C with an autofunctor q is a monoidal categorification of \mathscr{A}_q , if (a) $\mathbb{A} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]} K(\mathcal{C})$ ($\mathbb{A} := \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}]$) is isomorphic to \mathscr{A}_q and (b) the cluster monomials of \mathscr{A}_q are the classes of real simple objects of C. Once C is a monoidal categorification of \mathscr{A}_q , then the conjecture for \mathscr{A}_q follows since it can be interpreted as the existence of a Jordan–Hölder series of an object. In [KKKO18], it is proved that the category \mathscr{C}_w over symmetric quiver Hecke algebra \mathbb{R} is a monoidal categorification of the quantum unipotent coordinate ring $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ associated with an element w of the Weyl group \mathbb{W} by using the \mathbb{Z} -invariant $\Lambda(M, N)$ of a pair of simple objects $M, N \in \mathscr{C}_w$.

For non-symmetric cases, the monoidal categorification is still out of reach. We know that \mathscr{C}_w categorifies $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ as an algebra [KL09, KL11, Rou08, Kim12] and $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ has a quantum cluster algebra structure [GLS13a, GY17] in every symmetrizable case. The quantum cluster algebra structure is skew-symmetric if the corresponding generalized Cartan matrix is symmetric. However, we cannot prove that \mathscr{C}_w is a monoidal categorification of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ in non-symmetric cases due to the obstacle that we do not know whether every simple module $M \in \mathscr{C}_w$ admits an affinization [KP18] or not. Note that the existence of affinizations guarantees that one can define R-matrices and the \mathbb{Z} -invariant $\Lambda(M, N)$.

In this paper, we study the quantum Laurent positivity for $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ of not necessarily symmetric type in the view point of the monoidal categorification. More precisely, we show that the basis of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ corresponding to the simple modules in \mathscr{C}_w exhibits a quantum Laurent positivity phenomenon with respect to any *quasi-Laurent family*, which is a central notion we introduce in this paper and plays the similar role of a cluster in the quantum cluster algebra theory.

The quasi-Laurent family (respectively, Laurent family) $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j\}_{j \in J}$ consists of mutually commuting affreal simple modules in \mathscr{C}_w satisfying additional conditions (Definition 3.2). Among others, the most important condition is that if a simple module X commutes with all M_j , then there are monomials (i.e. convolution products) $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$ and $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ in $\{M_j\}_{j \in J}$ such that $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$ is isomorphic to $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$. We say the family \mathcal{M} is Laurent if \mathcal{M} is maximal in the sense that, if a simple module X commutes with all M_j , then X is isomorphic to a monomial $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ in $\{M_j\}_{j \in J}$.

The main results of this paper are the following.

- (A) We show that if \mathcal{M} is a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C}_w , then the class [X] in the Grothendieck ring $K(\mathscr{C}_w)$ of any simple object X in \mathscr{C}_w can be written as a Laurent polynomial in $\{[M_j]\}_{j\in J}$ whose coefficients belong to $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[q^{\pm 1}]$ (Proposition 3.6).
- (B) If \mathcal{M} is a monoidal seed in \mathscr{C}_w , then \mathcal{M} is a Laurent family.
- (C) In particular, for any reduced sequence i of w, we show that the family $\mathcal{M}^{i} := \{M(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}})\}$ is a Laurent family and, hence, any class [X] of a module X in \mathscr{C}_{w} can be written as a Laurent polynomial in the unipotent quantum minors $D(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}})$ with coefficients in $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[q^{\pm 1}]$. Note that $D(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}}) = [M(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}})]$ and we call $\{D(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}})\}$ the *GLS seed associated with* i (Proposition 4.5).
- (D) We show that if \mathcal{M} is a quasi-Laurent family, then the class [X] of a simple module X in \mathscr{C}_w is pointed and copointed with respect to the partial order $\preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}}$. That is, the set of

degrees of the monomials appearing in the Laurent expansion of [X] with respect to \mathcal{M} has a unique maximal element and a unique minimal element with respect to $\preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}}$. We define vectors $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X) \in \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus J}$ as the maximal and the minimal element, respectively. (E) Each quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M} also induces new \mathbb{Z} -values $\mathrm{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y)$ and $\mathrm{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y)$ for any

(E) Each quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M} also induces new \mathbb{Z} -values $G^{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{M}}(X, Y)$ and $G^{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathcal{M}}(X, Y)$ for any pair of simple modules X and Y which coincides with $\Lambda(X, Y)$ provided X, Y commutes and one of them is affreal.

To the best of the authors' knowledge, the positivity result in part (C) is new. We can understand result (A) that a quasi-Laurent family is a generalization of a cluster in the categorical view point, and that the positivity conjecture can be extended to elements corresponding to simple modules in all skew-symmetrizable types.

In [FZ07, Qin17], Fomin-Zelevinsky and Qin defined a pointed (respectively, copointed) element \mathbf{x} in a cluster algebra and its degree $\deg_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus \mathsf{K}}$ (respectively, codegree $\operatorname{codeg}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus \mathsf{K}}$) depending on the choice of a seed \mathcal{S} (see also [Qin20] for codegree and [Tra11] for degree elements in a quantum cluster algebra). With a fixed choice of a seed, it is proved in [Tra11] that every cluster monomial is pointed, and in [DWZ10, GHKK18] that cluster monomials are determined by their degrees.

For a given quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M} and a simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}_w$, we define vectors $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^R(X), \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^L(X) \in \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus J}$ in Definition 3.7 by using the $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus J}$ -vectors in Lemma 3.3 and guaranteeing its well-definedness in Lemma 3.1. We then prove that, for every simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}_w$, the element [X] in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ is (co)pointed with respect to the GLS seed \mathcal{S}^i and that $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^i}^R(X)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^i}^L(X)$ coincide with $\mathbf{deg}_{\mathcal{S}^i}([X])$ and $\mathbf{codeg}_{\mathcal{S}^i}([X])$, respectively.

and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{L}(X)$ coincide with $\operatorname{deg}_{\mathcal{S}^{i}}([X])$ and $\operatorname{codeg}_{\mathcal{S}^{i}}([X])$, respectively. Utilizing the vectors $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X)$, we define skew-symmetric \mathbb{Z} -valued forms $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(-,-)$ and $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(-,-)$ on the pairs (X,Y) of simple modules. Then we compare $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y)$ and $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y)$ with the \mathbb{Z} -invariant $\Lambda(X,Y)$ when the pair of simple module (X,Y) admits the \mathbb{Z} -invariant $\Lambda(X,Y)$. It is proved in Proposition 5.3 that $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y)$ and $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y)$ give lower bounds of $\Lambda(X,Y)$, and in Proposition 5.4 that $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y) = G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y) = \Lambda(X,Y)$ when (X,Y) is a commuting pair. Here we would like to emphasize that (1) $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y)$ and $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y)$ are defined even for pairs (X,Y) we do not know whether they admit $\Lambda(X,Y)$ or not, and (2) the \mathbb{Z} -values $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y)$ and $G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y)$ do depend on the choice of \mathcal{M} as (co)degree does on the one of seeds (Remark 5.5).

This paper is organized as follows. In § 2, we give preliminaries. In § 3, we define the notions of quasi-Laurent and Laurent families, and investigate their properties. Then we define $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X)$, and prove that $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X)$ determine the isomorphism class of X. In § 4, we prove that \mathcal{M}^{i} is Laurent by studying PBW decomposition vectors of simple modules. In § 5, we define the skew-symmetric pairings on pairs of simple modules and investigate the relationships among the pairings and Λ -invariants.

CONVENTION. Throughout this paper, we use the following convention.

- (i) For a statement P, we set $\delta(P)$ to be 1 or 0 depending on whether P is true or not. As a special case, we use the notation $\delta_{i,j} := \delta(i = j)$ (Kronecker's delta).
- (ii) For integers $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, we set

$$[a,b] := \{ x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \leqslant x \leqslant b \}.$$

We refer to the subset as an *interval* and understand it as an empty set if a > b.

(iii) Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_j)_{j \in J}$ be a family parameterized by an index set J. Then for any $j \in J$, we set

$$(\mathbf{x})_j := x_j$$

2. Preliminaries

In this preliminary section, we briefly review the basic material of this paper. We refer the reader to [BZ05, FZ07, KL09, Rou08, Kim12, GLS13a, KKKO18, GY17, KiOy21, KP18, KKOP18, KK19, GHKK18] for more details.

2.1 Quantum cluster algebras

Fix a finite index set $\mathsf{K} = \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{ex}} \sqcup \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}}$ with a decomposition into the set K_{ex} of exchangeable indices and the set K_{fr} of frozen indices. Let $L = (l_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathsf{K}}$ be a skew-symmetric integer-valued matrix and let q be an indeterminate. We set $\mathbb{A} := \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}]$ where $q^{1/2}$ denotes the formal square root of q.

DEFINITION 2.1. We define the quantum torus $\mathcal{T}(L)$ to be the A-algebra generated by a finite family of elements $\{X_k^{\pm 1}\}_{k\in \mathsf{K}}$ subject to the following defining relations:

$$X_j X_j^{-1} = X_j^{-1} X_j = 1$$
 and $X_i X_j = q^{l_{ij}} X_j X_i$ for $i, j \in K$.

For $\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_i)_{i \in \mathsf{K}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathsf{K}}$, we define the element $X^{\mathbf{a}}$ of $\mathcal{T}(L)$ as

$$X^{\mathbf{a}} = q^{(1/2)\sum_{i>j}\mathbf{a}_i\mathbf{a}_jl_{ij}} \prod_{i\in\mathsf{K}}^{\longrightarrow} X_i^{\mathbf{a}_i}.$$

Here $\overrightarrow{\prod}_{i \in \mathsf{K}} X_i^{\mathbf{a}_i} := X_{i_1}^{\mathbf{a}_{i_1}} \cdots X_{i_r}^{\mathbf{a}_{i_r}}$, where $\mathsf{K} = \{i_1, \ldots, i_r\}$ with a total order $i_1 < \cdots < i_r$. Note that $X^{\mathbf{a}}$ does not depend on the choice of a total order < on K . Then $\{X^{\mathbf{a}} \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathsf{K}}\}$ forms an \mathbb{A} -basis of $\mathcal{T}(L)$. Since $\mathcal{T}(L)$ is an Ore domain, it is embedded into the skew field of fractions $\mathbb{F}(\mathcal{T}(L))$.

Let $\tilde{B} = (b_{ij})_{i \in \mathsf{K}, j \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}}$ be an integer-valued $\mathsf{K} \times \mathsf{K}_{ex}$ -matrix whose principal part $B = (b_{ij})_{i,j \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}}$ is skew-symmetrizable, i.e. there exists a diagonal matrix D with a positive integer entries such that DB is skew-symmetric. Such a matrix \tilde{B} is called an *exchange matrix*. We say that a pair (L, B) is *compatible* if

$$\sum_{k \in \mathsf{K}} b_{ki} l_{kj} = d_i \delta_{i,j} \quad \text{for any } i \in \mathsf{K}_{\text{ex}} \text{ and } j \in \mathsf{K}$$

for some positive integers $\{d_i\}_{i \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}}$. We call the triple $\mathcal{S} = (\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L, \widetilde{B})$ a quantum seed in the quantum torus $\mathcal{T}(L)$ and $\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}$ a quantum cluster.

For $k \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}$, the mutation $\mu_k(L, \widetilde{B}) := (\mu_k(L), \mu_k(B))$ of a compatible pair (L, \widetilde{B}) in a direction k is defined in a combinatorial way (see [BZ05]). Note that (i) the pair $(\mu_k(L), \mu_k(B))$ is also compatible with the same positive integers $\{d_i\}_{i\in\mathsf{K}}$ and (ii) the operation μ_k is an involution, i.e. $\mu_k(\mu_k(L, \widetilde{B})) = (L, \widetilde{B})$. We define an isomorphism of $\mathbb{Q}(q^{1/2})$ -algebras $\mu_k^* \colon \mathbb{F}(\mathcal{T}(\mu_k L)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{F}(\mathcal{T}(L))$ by

$$\mu_k^*(X_j) := \begin{cases} X^{\mathbf{a}'} + X^{\mathbf{a}''} & \text{if } j = k, \\ X_j & \text{if } j \neq k, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathbf{a}'_{i} = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } i = k, \\ \max(0, b_{ik}) & \text{if } i \neq k, \end{cases} \text{ and } \mathbf{a}''_{i} = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } i = k, \\ \max(0, -b_{ik}) & \text{if } i \neq k. \end{cases}$$

Then the mutation $\mu_k(\mathcal{S})$ of the quantum seed \mathcal{S} in a direction k is defined to be the triple $(\{X_i\}_{i \neq k} \sqcup \{\mu_k^*(X_k)\}, \mu_k(L), \mu_k(\widetilde{B})).$

For a quantum seed $S = (\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L, \tilde{B})$, an element in $\mathbb{F}(\mathcal{T}(L))$ is called a *quantum cluster* variable (respectively, *quantum cluster monomial*) if it is of the form

$$\mu_{k_1}^* \cdots \mu_{k_\ell}^*(X_j)$$
 (respectively, $\mu_{k_1}^* \cdots \mu_{k_\ell}^*(X^{\mathbf{a}})$)

for some finite sequence $(k_1, \ldots, k_\ell) \in \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{ex}}^\ell$ $(\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0})$ and $j \in \mathsf{K}$ (respectively, $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$). For a quantum seed $\mathcal{S} = (\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L, \tilde{B})$, the quantum cluster algebra $\mathscr{A}_q(\mathcal{S})$ is the A-subalgebra of $\mathbb{F}(\mathcal{T}(L))$ generated by all the quantum cluster variables. Note that $\mathscr{A}_q(\mathcal{S}) \simeq \mathscr{A}_q(\boldsymbol{\mu}(\mathcal{S}))$ for any sequence $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ of mutations.

The quantum Laurent phenomenon, proved by Berenstein and Zelevinsky in [BZ05], says that the quantum cluster algebra $\mathscr{A}_q(\mathcal{S})$ is indeed contained in $\mathcal{T}(L)$.

For a quantum seed S with a compatible pair (L, \tilde{B}) , an element $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{T}(L)$ is called *pointed* (respectively, *copointed*) if it is of the following form:

$$\mathbf{x} = q^{a} X^{\mathbf{g}^{R}} + \sum_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}_{ex}} \setminus \{0\}} p_{\mathbf{c}} X^{\mathbf{g}^{R} + \widetilde{B}\mathbf{c}} \quad \left(\text{respectively, } \mathbf{x} = q^{a} X^{\mathbf{g}^{L}} + \sum_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}^{\mathsf{K}_{ex}} \setminus \{0\}} p_{\mathbf{c}} X^{\mathbf{g}^{L} + \widetilde{B}\mathbf{c}} \right) \quad (2.1)$$

for some $a \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$, $\mathbf{g}^R \in \mathbb{Z}^K$ (respectively, $\mathbf{g}^L \in \mathbb{Z}^K$) and $p_{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathbb{A}$. In this case, we call \mathbf{g}^R the *degree* (respectively, *codegree*) of the pointed (respectively, copointed) element \mathbf{x} and denote it by $\mathbf{deg}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x})$ (respectively, $\mathbf{codeg}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x})$). The degree (respectively, codegree) is often the called *g*-vector (respectively, *dual g*-vector) of \mathbf{x} (see [Qin17, Definition 3.1.4] and [Qin20, Definition 3.1.3]). It is worth remarking that the notion of *g*-vector (respectively, *dual g*-vector) *does depend on* the compatible pair (L, \widetilde{B}) and, hence, on the seed \mathcal{S} . It is proved in [Tra11, Theorem 5.3] that every quantum cluster monomial in $\mathscr{A}_q(\mathcal{S})$ is pointed.

We say that an A-algebra R has a quantum cluster algebra structure if there exists a quantum seed S and an A-algebra isomorphism $\Omega : \mathscr{A}_q(S) \xrightarrow{\sim} R$. In the case, a quantum seed of R refers to the image of a quantum seed in $\mathscr{A}_q(S)$, which is obtained by a sequence of mutations.

2.2 Quantum unipotent coordinate rings

Let I be an index set. A Cartan datum $(\mathsf{A},\mathsf{P},\Pi,\mathsf{P}^{\vee},\Pi^{\vee})$ consists of:

- (a) a symmetrizable Cartan matrix $A = (a_{i,j})_{i,j \in I}$, i.e. DA is symmetric for a diagonal matrix $D = \text{diag}(d_i \mid i \in I)$ with $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$;
- (b) a free abelian group P, called the *weight lattice*;
- (c) $\Pi = \{ \alpha_i \mid i \in I \} \subset \mathsf{P}$, called the set of *simple roots*;
- (d) $\Pi^{\vee} = \{h_i \mid i \in I\} \subset \mathsf{P}^{\vee} := \operatorname{Hom}(\mathsf{P}, \mathbb{Z}), \text{ called the set of simple coroots};$
- (e) a \mathbb{Q} -valued symmetric bilinear form (\cdot, \cdot) on P;

satisfying the standard properties (see [KKKO18, §1.1] for instance). Here we take $\mathsf{D} = \operatorname{diag}(\mathsf{d}_i \mid i \in I)$ such that $\mathsf{d}_i := (\alpha_i, \alpha_i)/2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ $(i \in I)$ in this paper.

For $i \in I$, we choose $\varpi_i \in \mathsf{P}$ such that $\langle h_i, \varpi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ for any $j \in I$ and call it the *i*th fundamental weight. The free abelian group $\mathsf{Q} := \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z} \alpha_i$ is called the *root lattice* and we set $\mathsf{Q}^+ = \sum_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}_{\geqslant 0} \alpha_i \subset \mathsf{Q}$ and $\mathsf{Q}^- = \sum_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}_{\leqslant 0} \alpha_i \subset \mathsf{Q}$. We denote by Δ the set of *roots* and by Δ^{\pm} the set of *positive* roots (respectively, negative roots). For $\beta \in \sum_{i \in I} m_i \alpha_i \in \mathsf{Q}^+$, we set $|\beta| := \sum_{i \in I} m_i$, $\operatorname{supp}(\beta) := \{i \in I \mid m_i \neq 0\}$ and $I^\beta := \{\nu = (\nu_1, \ldots, \nu_{|\beta|}) \in I^{|\beta|} \mid \alpha_{\nu_1} + \cdots + \alpha_{\nu_{|\beta|}} = \beta\}$. Note that the symmetric group $\mathfrak{S}_{|\beta|} = \langle r_1, \ldots, r_{|\beta|} \rangle$ acts on I^β by the place permutations.

Let \mathfrak{g} be the Kac-Moody algebra associated with the Cartan datum $(\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{P}, \Pi, \mathsf{P}^{\vee}, \Pi^{\vee})$, and W the Weyl group of \mathfrak{g} . It is generated by the simple reflections $s_i \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathsf{P})$ $(i \in I)$ defined by

 $s_i(\lambda) = \lambda - \langle h_i, \lambda \rangle \alpha_i$ for $\lambda \in \mathsf{P}$. For a sequence $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \ldots, i_r) \in I^r$, we call it a *reduced sequence* of $w \in \mathsf{W}$ if $s_{i_1} \ldots s_{i_r}$ is a reduced expression of w. For $w, v \in \mathsf{W}$, we write $w \ge v$ if there is a reduced sequence of v which appears in a reduced sequence of w as a subsequence.

For $\lambda, \mu \in \mathsf{P}$, we write $\lambda \preccurlyeq \mu$ if there exists a sequence of real positive roots β_k $(1 \le k \le l)$ such that $\lambda = s_{\beta_l} \cdots s_{\beta_1} \mu$ and $(\beta_k, s_{\beta_{k-1}} \cdots s_{\beta_1} \mu) > 0$ for $1 \le k \le l$. When $\Lambda \in \mathsf{P}^+$ and $\lambda, \mu \in \mathsf{W}\Lambda$ the relation $\lambda \preccurlyeq \mu$ holds if and only if there exist $w, v \in \mathsf{W}$ such that $\lambda = w\Lambda, \mu = v\Lambda$ and $v \le w$.

Let $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})$ be the quantum group of \mathfrak{g} over $\mathbb{Q}(q^{1/2})$, generated by $e_i, f_i \ (i \in I)$ and $q^h \ (h \in \mathsf{P}^{\vee})$. We denote by $\mathcal{U}_q^+(\mathfrak{g})$ the subalgebra of $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})$ generated by e_i and $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{A}}^+(\mathfrak{g})$ the \mathbb{A} -subalgebra of $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})^+$ generated by $e_i^n/[n]_i! \ (i \in I, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0})$, where

$$q_i := q^{\mathsf{d}_i}, \quad [k]_i = \frac{q_i^k - q_i^{-k}}{q_i - q_i^{-1}} \quad \text{and} \quad [k]_i! = \prod_{s=1}^k [s]_i.$$

Set

$$\mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n}) = \bigoplus_{\beta \in \mathsf{Q}^-} \mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})_{\beta} \quad \text{where } \mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})_{\beta} := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Q}(q^{1/2})}(\mathcal{U}_q^+(\mathfrak{g})_{-\beta}, \mathbb{Q}(q^{1/2})),$$

where $\mathcal{U}_q^+(\mathfrak{g})_{-\beta}$ denotes the $(-\beta)$ -root space of $\mathcal{U}_q^+(\mathfrak{g})$. Then $\mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})$ also has an algebra structure and is called the *quantum unipotent coordinate ring* of \mathfrak{g} . We denote by $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n})$ the \mathbb{A} -submodule of $\mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})$ generated by $\psi \in \mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})$ such that $\psi(\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{A}}^+(\mathfrak{g})) \subset \mathbb{A}$. Then, $\mathcal{A}_q(\mathfrak{n})$ is an \mathbb{A} -subalgebra with a $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{A}}^+(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule structure.

For each $\lambda \in \mathsf{P}^+ := \sum_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \varpi_i$ and Weyl group elements $w, w' \in \mathsf{W}$, we can define a specific homogeneous element $D(w\lambda, w'\lambda)$ of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n})$, called a *unipotent quantum minor* (see, for example, [KKKO18, § 9]).

For $w \in W$, we denote by $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ the \mathbb{A} -submodule of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n})$ consisting of elements ψ such that $e_{i_1} \cdots e_{i_{|\beta|}} \psi = 0$ for any $\beta \in \mathbb{Q}^+ \setminus w\mathbb{Q}^-$ and $(\nu_{i_1}, \ldots, \nu_{i_{|\beta|}}) \in I^{\beta}$. Then it is an \mathbb{A} -subalgebra and we call it the quantum unipotent coordinate ring associated with w.

For a reduced sequence $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ of $w \in \mathsf{W}$ and $1 \leq k \leq r$, define $w_{\leq k}^i = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ and $w_{\leq k}^i = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_{k-1}}$. Then $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ is generated by the set of unipotent quantum minors $\{D(w_{\leq k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, w_{\leq k}^i \varpi_{i_k}) \mid 1 \leq k \leq r\}$ as an \mathbb{A} -algebra.

It is proved in [GLS13a, GY17, KKKO18, Qin20] that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ has a quantum cluster algebra structure, one of whose quantum seeds \mathcal{S}^{i} can be obtained from a reduced sequence $i = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ of w. To introduce \mathcal{S}^{i} , we need preparations.

Let $\mathbf{j} = (j_1, \dots, j_l)$ be a sequence of indices in I. For $1 \leq k \leq l$ and $j \in I$, we set

$$k_{+}^{j} := \min(\{u \mid k < u \leq l, \ j_{u} = j_{k}\} \cup \{l+1\})$$

$$k_{-}^{j} := \max(\{u \mid 1 \leq u < k, \ j_{u} = j_{k}\} \cup \{0\}).$$

We also set

$$k_{\min}^{j} := \min\{u \mid 1 \le u \le k, \ j_{u} = j_{k}\}$$
 and $k_{\max}^{j} := \max\{u \mid k \le u \le l, \ j_{u} = j_{k}\}.$

We sometimes drop j in the above notation if there is no danger of confusion.

Take K = [1, r] as an index set and decompose K into

$$\mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}} = \{k \mid 1 \leqslant k \leqslant r, \ k_{+}^{i} = r + 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{ex}} := \mathsf{K} \setminus \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}}.$$

We define the \mathbb{Z} -valued $\mathsf{K} \times \mathsf{K}_{ex}$ matrix $\widetilde{B}^i = (b^i_{st})_{s \in \mathsf{K}, t \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}}$ and the \mathbb{Z} -valued skew-symmetric $\mathsf{K} \times \mathsf{K}$ matrix $L^i = (l^i_{st})_{s,t \in \mathsf{K}}$ as follows:

$$b_{st}^{i} = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{if } s = t_{\pm}^{i}, \\ -a_{i_{s},i_{t}} & \text{if } s < t < s_{+}^{i} < t_{+}^{i}, \\ a_{i_{s},i_{t}} & \text{if } t < s < t_{+}^{i} < s_{+}^{i}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise}, \end{cases}$$

$$l_{st}^{i} = (\varpi_{i_{s}} - w_{\leqslant s}^{i} \varpi_{i_{s}}, \varpi_{i_{t}} + w_{\leqslant t}^{i} \varpi_{i_{t}}) \quad \text{for } s < t.$$

Then the quantum seed \mathcal{S}^i of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ is given as follows:

$$\mathcal{S}^{i} := \left(\{ q^{c_{k}^{i}} D(w_{\leqslant k}^{i} \varpi_{i_{k}}, \varpi_{i_{k}}) \}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L^{i}, \widetilde{B}^{i} \right),$$
(2.2)

where $c_s^i = \frac{1}{4}(\varpi_{i_s} - w_{\leqslant s}^i \varpi_{i_s}, \varpi_{i_s} - w_{\leqslant s}^i \varpi_{i_s}) \in \mathbb{Z}/2$. Note that $(L^i \widetilde{B}^i)_{ab} = -2\mathsf{d}_{i_a} \times \delta_{a,b}$ for $(a, b) \in \mathsf{K} \times \mathsf{K}_{ex}$, wt $(D(w_{\leqslant k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, \varpi_{i_k})) = -\varpi_{i_s} + w_{\leqslant s}^i \varpi_{i_s}$, and

$$\left\{q^{c_k^i}D(w_{\leqslant k}^i\varpi_{i_k},\varpi_{i_k})=q^{c_k^i}D(w\varpi_{i_k},\varpi_{i_k})\mid k\in\mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}}\right\}$$

forms the set of frozen variables of the quantum cluster algebra $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$. We call \mathcal{S}^{i} the *GLS* seed (associated with i).

We set $\mathcal{D}(w) := \{q^m D(w\varpi, \varpi) \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}/2, \ \varpi \in \mathsf{P}^+\}$. Then it is well-known that $\mathcal{D}(w)$ consists of q-central elements of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ and, hence, forms an Ore set. We denote by $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}^w)$ the quotient ring of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$ by the Ore set $\mathcal{D}(w)$. Then $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}^w)$ has also the quantum cluster algebra structure with the *invertible* frozen variables $\{q^{c_k^i} D(w_{\leqslant k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, \varpi_{i_k})\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}}}$ in the sense of [BZ05].

2.3 Quiver Hecke algebras and categorifications

Let **k** be a base field. For $i, j \in I$, we choose polynomials $\mathcal{Q}_{i,j}(u, v) \in \mathbf{k}[u, v]$ such that (a) $\mathcal{Q}_{i,j}(u, v) = \mathcal{Q}_{j,i}(v, u)$ and (b) each $\mathcal{Q}_{i,j}(u, v)$ is of the following form:

$$\mathcal{Q}_{i,j}(u,v) = \delta(i \neq j) \sum_{p(\alpha_i,\alpha_i) + q(\alpha_j,\alpha_j) = -2(\alpha_i,\alpha_j)} t_{i,j;p,q} u^p v^q \quad \text{where } t_{i,j;-a_{i,j},0} \in \mathbf{k}^{\times}.$$

For a Cartan datum $(\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{P}, \Pi, \mathsf{P}^{\vee}, \Pi^{\vee})$ and $\beta \in \mathsf{Q}^+$, the quiver Hecke algebra $R(\beta)$ associated with $(\mathcal{Q}_{i,j})_{i,j\in I}$ is the \mathbb{Z} -graded algebra over \mathbf{k} generated by the elements

 $\{e(\nu)\}_{\nu\in I^{\beta}},\quad \{x_k\}_{1\leqslant k\leqslant |\beta|},\quad \{\tau_m\}_{1\leqslant m<|\beta|}$

subject to certain defining relations (see [KKOP21, Definition 1.1] for instance). Note that the \mathbb{Z} -grading of $R(\beta)$ is determined by the degrees of following elements:

$$\deg(e(\nu)) = 0, \quad \deg(x_k e(\nu)) = (\alpha_{\nu_k}, \alpha_{\nu_k}), \quad \text{and} \quad \deg(\tau_m e(\nu)) = -(\alpha_{\nu_m}, \alpha_{\nu_{m+1}}).$$

We say that $R(\beta)$ is symmetric if $\mathcal{Q}_{i,j}(u,v) \in \mathbf{k}[u-v]$ for $i, j \in \text{supp}(\beta)$.

We denote by $R(\beta)$ -gmod the category of finite-dimensional graded $R(\beta)$ -modules with homomorphisms of degree 0. For $M \in R(\beta)$ -gmod, we set $wt(M) := -\beta \in \mathbb{Q}^-$. Note that there exists the *degree shift functor*, denoted by q, such that $(qM)_n = M_{n-1}$ for $M = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} M_k \in R(\beta)$ -gmod.

Throughout this paper, we usually deal with graded $R(\beta)$ -modules ($\beta \in Q^+$) and sometimes skip grading shifts. Thus, we usually say that M is an R-module instead of saying that M is a graded $R(\beta)$ -module and $f: M \to N$ is a homomorphism if $f: q^a M \to N$ is a morphism in

 $R(\beta)$ -gmod. We set

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{R(\beta)}(M,N) := \bigoplus_{a \in \mathbb{Z}} \operatorname{Hom}_{R(\beta)}(M,N)_a$$

with $\operatorname{HOM}_{R(\beta)}(M, N)_a := \operatorname{Hom}_{R(\beta)-\operatorname{gmod}}(q^a M, N)_a$. We write $\operatorname{deg}(f) := a$ for an $f \in \operatorname{HOM}_{R(\beta)}(M, N)_a$.

For an $R(\beta)$ -module M and an $R(\gamma)$ -module N, we can obtain $R(\beta + \gamma)$ -module

$$M \circ N := R(\beta + \gamma)e(\beta, \gamma) \bigotimes_{R(\beta) \otimes R(\gamma)} (M \otimes N),$$

where $e(\beta, \gamma) := \sum_{\nu \in I^{\beta}, \nu' \in I^{\gamma}} e(\nu * \nu') \in R(\beta + \gamma)$. Here $\nu * \nu'$ denotes the concatenation of ν and ν' , and \circ is called the *convolution product*. We say that two simple *R*-modules *M* and *N* strongly commute if $M \circ N$ is simple. If a simple module *M* strongly commutes with itself, then *M* is called *real*. A simple *R*-module *M* is said to be *prime* if there are no non-trivial simple *R*-modules N_1 and N_2 such that $M \simeq N_1 \circ N_2$.

For an $R(\beta)$ -module M, the dual space $M^* := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{k}}(M, \mathbf{k})$ admits an $R(\beta)$ -module structure via

$$(r \cdot f)(u) = f(\psi(r)u) \quad (r \in R(\beta), \ u \in M, \ f \in M^*).$$

Here ψ denotes the **k**-algebra anti-involution $R(\beta)$ which fixes the generators of $R(\beta)$. A simple $R(\beta)$ -module M is called *self-dual* if $M^* \simeq M$.

Set R-gmod := $\bigoplus_{\beta \in \mathbb{Q}^+} R(\beta)$ -gmod. Then the category R-gmod is a monoidal category with the tensor product \circ and the unit object $\mathbf{1} := \mathbf{k} \in R(0)$ -gmod. Hence, the Grothendieck group K(R-gmod) has the $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$ -algebra structure derived from \circ and the degree shift functors $q^{\pm 1}$.

For a monoidal abelian subcategory ${\mathcal C}$ of $R\text{-}\mathrm{gmod}$ stable by grading shifts, we set

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathcal{C}) := \mathbb{A} \underset{\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}{\otimes} K(\mathcal{C}),$$

where $K(\mathcal{C})$ denotes the Grothendieck ring of \mathcal{C} . For a subcategory \mathcal{C} of R-gmod, we denote by $\operatorname{Irr}(\mathcal{C})$ the set of the isomorphism classes of self-dual modules in \mathcal{C} . Note that $\operatorname{Irr}(R$ -gmod) forms an \mathbb{A} -basis of $\mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(R$ -gmod).

It is proved in [KL09, KL11, Rou08] that there exists an A-algebra isomorphism

$$\Omega: \mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(R\operatorname{-gmod}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}).$$

$$(2.3)$$

PROPOSITION 2.2 [KKOP18, Proposition 4.1]. For $\varpi \in \mathsf{P}^+$ and $\mu, \zeta \in \mathsf{W}\varpi$ with $\mu \preccurlyeq \zeta$, there exists a self-dual real simple $R(\zeta - \mu)$ -module $M(\mu, \zeta)$ such that

$$\Omega([M(\mu, \zeta)]) = D(\mu, \zeta).$$

Here, $[M(\mu, \zeta)]$ denotes the isomorphism class of $M(\mu, \zeta)$ which is called the determinantal module associated with $D(\mu, \zeta)$.

For an $R(\beta)$ -module M, we define

$$W(M) := \{ \gamma \in \mathsf{Q}^+ \cap (\beta - \mathsf{Q}^+) \mid e(\gamma, \beta - \gamma)M \neq 0 \},\$$

$$W^*(M) := \{ \gamma \in \mathsf{Q}^+ \cap (\beta - \mathsf{Q}^+) \mid e(\beta - \gamma, \gamma)M \neq 0 \}.$$

An ordered pair (M, N) of *R*-modules is called *unmixed* [TW16, Definition 2.5] if

$$W^*(M) \cap W(N) \subset \{0\}.$$

For $w \in W$, we denote by \mathscr{C}_w the full subcategory of *R*-gmod whose objects *M* satisfy $W(M) \subset \mathbb{Q}^+ \cap w\mathbb{Q}^-$. Then the category \mathscr{C}_w is the smallest monoidal abelian category of

R-gmod which (i) is stable under taking subquotients, extensions, grading shifts and (ii) contains $\{S_k^i := M(w_{\leqslant k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, w_{< k}^i \varpi_{i_k}) \mid 1 \leqslant k \leqslant r\}$ for any reduced sequence i of w. We call S_k^i the *k*th cuspidal module associated with i. Defining $\beta_k^i := w_{< k}^i \alpha_{i_k}$ for $1 \leqslant k \leqslant r$, one can see that $\{\beta_k^i \mid 1 \leqslant k \leqslant r\} = \Delta^+ \cap w\Delta^-$, and $-wt(S_k^i) = \beta_k^i$. Then we have [Kim12, §4]

$$\Omega(\mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathscr{C}_w)) \simeq \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w)).$$

2.4 *R*-matrices and affreal simple modules

For $\beta \in \mathbb{Q}^+$ and $i \in I$, let

$$\mathfrak{p}_{i,\beta} = \sum_{\eta \in I^{\beta}} \bigg(\prod_{a \in [1,|\beta|]; \ \eta_a = i} x_a \bigg) e(\eta) \in \mathcal{Z}(R(\beta)),$$

where $\mathcal{Z}(R(\beta))$ denotes the center of $R(\beta)$.

DEFINITION 2.3 [KP18, Definition 2.2]. For an $R(\beta)$ -module M, we say that M admits an affinization if there exists an $R(\beta)$ -module \widehat{M} satisfying the condition: there exists an endomorphism $z_{\widehat{M}}$ of degree $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $\widehat{M}/z_{\widehat{M}}\widehat{M} \simeq M$ and:

- (i) \widehat{M} is a finitely generated free module over the polynomial ring $\mathbf{k}[z_{\widehat{M}}]$;
- (ii) $\mathfrak{p}_{i,\beta}\widehat{M} \neq 0$ for all $i \in I$.

We say that a simple $R(\beta)$ -module M is affreal if M is real and admits an affinization.

It is known that any $M \in R(\beta)$ -gmod admits an affinization if $R(\beta)$ is symmetric. However, when $R(\beta)$ is not symmetric, it is widely open whether an $R(\beta)$ -module M admits an affinization or not.

THEOREM 2.4 [KKOP21, Theorem 3.26]. For $\varpi \in \mathsf{P}^+$ and $\mu, \zeta \in \mathsf{W}\varpi$ such that $\mu \preccurlyeq \zeta$, the determinantal module $M(\mu, \zeta)$ is affreal.

PROPOSITION 2.5 [KKKO18, KKOP21]. Let M and N be simple modules such that one of them is affreal. Then there exists a unique R-module homomorphism $\mathbf{r}_{M,N} \in \operatorname{Hom}_R(M, N)$ satisfying

$$\operatorname{HOM}_R(M \circ N, N \circ M) = \mathbf{k} \, \mathbf{r}_{M,N}.$$

We call the homomorphism $\mathbf{r}_{M,N}$ the *R*-matrix.

DEFINITION 2.6. For simple R-modules M and N such that one of them is affreal, we define

$$\begin{split} &\Lambda(M,N) := \deg(\mathbf{r}_{M,N}), \\ &\widetilde{\Lambda}(M,N) := \frac{1}{2} \big(\Lambda(M,N) + \big(\operatorname{wt}(M), \operatorname{wt}(N) \big) \big), \\ &\mathfrak{d}(M,N) := \frac{1}{2} \big(\Lambda(M,N) + \Lambda(N,M) \big). \end{split}$$

It is proved in [KKKO18, KKOP21] that the invariants $\widetilde{\Lambda}(M, N)$ and $\mathfrak{d}(M, N)$ in Definition 2.6 belong to $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.

For simple modules M and N, $M \nabla N$ and $M \Delta N$ denote the head and the socle of $M \circ N$, respectively.

PROPOSITION 2.7 [KKKO15, Lemma 3.1.4] and [KKKO18, Corollary 4.1.2]. Let M and N be simple R-modules such that one of them is affreal.

- (i) The image of \mathbf{r}_{MN} is equal to $M \nabla N$ and $N \Delta M$.
- (ii) The head $M \nabla N$ and socle $M \Delta N$ are simple modules and each of them appears exactly once in the composition series of $M \circ N$ (up to a grading shift).
- (iii) Assume that N is affreal.
 - (a) If a simple subquotient S of $M \circ N$ is not isomorphic to $M \nabla N$, then $\Lambda(S, N) < \Lambda(M \nabla N, N) = \Lambda(M, N)$.
 - (b) If a simple subquotient S of $M \circ N$ is not isomorphic to $M \Delta N$, then $\Lambda(N, S) < \Lambda(N, M \Delta N) = \Lambda(N, M)$.
- (iv) If M and N are self-dual, then $q^{\widetilde{\Lambda}(M,N)}M \nabla N$ is a self-dual simple module.
- (v) The following conditions are equivalent:
 - (a) $M \circ N \simeq N \circ M$ up to a grading shift;
 - (b) $M \circ N$ is simple;
 - (c) $\mathfrak{d}(M, N) = 0;$
 - (d) $M \nabla N \simeq M \Delta N$ up to a grading shift.

PROPOSITION 2.8 [KKOP21, Corollary 3.18]. Let M be an affreal simple module. Let X be an R-module in R-gmod. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and assume that any simple subquotient S of X satisfies $\mathfrak{d}(M, S) \leq n$. Then any simple subquotient N of $M \circ X$ satisfies $\mathfrak{d}(M, N) < n$. In particular, any simple subquotient of $M^{\circ n} \circ X$ strongly commutes with M.

An ordered sequence of simple modules $\underline{L} = (L_1, \ldots, L_r)$ is called *almost affreal* if all L_i $(1 \leq i \leq r)$ are affreal except for at most one.

DEFINITION 2.9. An almost affreal sequence \underline{L} of simple modules is called a *normal sequence* if the composition of *R*-matrices

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{r}_{\underline{L}} &:= \prod_{1 \leqslant i < k \leqslant r} \mathbf{r}_{L_i, L_k} = (\mathbf{r}_{L_{r-1}, L_r}) \circ \cdots (\mathbf{r}_{L_2, L_r} \circ \cdots \circ \mathbf{r}_{L_2, L_3}) \circ (\mathbf{r}_{L_1, L_r} \circ \cdots \circ \mathbf{r}_{L_1, L_2}) \\ &: q^{\sum_{1 \leqslant i < k \leqslant r} \Lambda(L_i, L_k)} L_1 \circ \cdots \circ L_r \longrightarrow L_r \circ \cdots \circ L_1 \quad \text{does not vanish.} \end{split}$$

LEMMA 2.10 [KK19, §2.3] and [KKOP23, §2.2]. Let \underline{L} be an almost affreal sequence of simple modules. If \underline{L} is normal, then the image of $\mathbf{r}_{\underline{L}}$ is simple and coincides with the head of $L_1 \circ \cdots \circ L_r$ and also with the socle of $L_r \circ \cdots \circ L_1$, up to grading shifts.

LEMMA 2.11 [KKKO18, Proposition 3.2.13]. Let (A, B, C) be an almost affreal sequence. Then we have the following:

- (i) $\Lambda(A, B \nabla C) = \Lambda(A, B) + \Lambda(A, C)$ if A and B commute;
- (ii) $\Lambda(A \nabla B, C) = \Lambda(A, C) + \Lambda(B, C)$ if B and C commute.

For a given almost affreal sequence \underline{L} of *R*-modules, the sufficient conditions for \underline{L} being normal are studied in [KK19, KKOP23]. In this paper, we will use the conditions frequently.

2.5 Commuting families

Let J be an index set. We say that a family of affreal simple modules $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j\}_{j \in J}$ in R-gmod is a *commuting family* if

 $M_i \circ M_j \simeq M_j \circ M_i$ up to a grading shift for any $i, j \in J$.

For a commuting family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ in *R*-gmod, let us take $\lambda \colon \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus J} \times \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus J} \to \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$\lambda(\mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j) - \lambda(\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{e}_i) = \Lambda(M_i, M_j) \quad \text{for any } i, j \in J.$$
(2.4)

Here $\{\mathbf{e}_j \mid j \in J\}$ is the standard basis of $\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus J}$. Then there exists a family $\{\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{a}) \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus J}\}$ of simple modules in \mathscr{C}_w such that

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(0) = \mathbf{1}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{e}_{j}) = M_{j} \qquad \text{for any } j \in J, \\ \mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{a}) \circ \mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{b}) \simeq q^{-\lambda(a,b)} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \quad \text{for any } \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{J}.$$

$$(2.5)$$

We sometimes omit $_\lambda$ for notational simplicity.

Remark 2.12. Note that $\lambda(\mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j) = \widetilde{\Lambda}(M_i, M_j)$ satisfies condition (2.4). Moreover, if all the M_i are self-dual, then $\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{a})$ is self-dual for any $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$. We usually take this choice of λ .

DEFINITION 2.13. A commuting family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ is called *independent* if $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus J}$ satisfies $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq q^s \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ for some $s \in \mathbb{Z}$, then we have $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$.

The following lemma is obvious.

LEMMA 2.14. Let $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ be a commuting family. Then it is independent if and only if the set $\{[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus J}\}$ in K(R-gmod) is linearly independent over $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$.

2.6 Localization of \mathscr{C}_w

Throughout this subsection, we fix $w \in W$ and set

$$I_w := \{ i \in I \mid w\varpi_i \neq \varpi_i \}.$$

For notational simplicity, let us write

$$C_i := M(w\varpi_i, \varpi_i) \in R$$
-gmod for $i \in I$.

Then $\{\Omega([C_i]) \mid i \in I_w\}$ forms the set of frozen variables of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}(w))$. For each $\mu = \sum_{i \in I} \mu_i \varpi_i \in \mathbb{P}^+$, we set $C_{\mu} = M(w\mu, \mu)$, which is a self-dual convolution product $q^c \circ_{i \in I} C_i^{\circ \mu_i}$ for some $c \in \mathbb{Z}$.

It is proved in [KKOP21, KKOP23, KKOP24a] that there exists a monoidal abelian category $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w = \mathscr{C}_w[C_i^{\circ -1} \mid i \in I]$ with a tensor product \circ , a degree shift functor q and a monoidal *exact* fully faithful functor $\Phi_w : \mathscr{C}_w \to \widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w$ satisfying the following properties.

- (A) The objects $\Phi_w(C_i)$ are invertible objects in \mathscr{C}_w ; that is, there exists an object $\Phi_w(C_i)^{-1}$ in \mathscr{C}_w such that $\Phi(C_i) \circ \Phi_w(C_i)^{-1} \simeq 1$ and $\Phi(C_i)^{-1} \circ \Phi(C_i) \simeq 1$.
- (B) The category $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w$ is universal to \mathscr{C}_w in the following sense: for any monoidal functor $\Psi \colon \mathscr{C}_w \to \mathcal{T}$ to another monoidal category \mathcal{T} in which $\Psi(C_i)$ is invertible for every $i \in I$, there exists a monoidal functor $\Psi' \colon \widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w \to \mathcal{T}$ such that $\Psi \simeq \Psi' \circ \Phi_w$. Moreover, Ψ' is unique up to a unique isomorphism.

(2.6)

- (C) There exists a commuting family of simple objects $\{\widetilde{C}_{\mu} \mid \mu \in \mathsf{P}\}\$ such that $\widetilde{C}_{\mu} \simeq \Phi_w(C_{\mu})$ for every $\mu \in \mathsf{P}^+$ and $\widetilde{C}_{\mu} \circ \widetilde{C}_{\mu'} \simeq q^{\mathsf{H}(\mu,\mu')} \widetilde{C}_{\mu+\mu'}$ for every $\mu, \mu' \in \mathsf{P}$. Here H denotes the bilinear form on P given by $\mathsf{H}(\mu,\mu') = (\mu, w\mu' \mu').$
- (D) Every simple object in $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w$ is isomorphic to $\Phi_w(S) \circ \widetilde{C}_\mu$ for some simple object $S \in \mathscr{C}_w$ and $\mu \in \mathsf{P}$.

(For the precise properties, see [KKOP21, KKOP23, KKOP24a].)

THEOREM 2.15 ([KKOP21] (see also [KKOP23, Remark 3.6])). There exists an A-algebra isomorphism

$$\widetilde{\Omega}\colon \mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w):=\mathbb{A}\underset{\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}{\otimes} K(\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathfrak{n}^w) \quad \text{such that} \quad \widetilde{\Omega}|_{\mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathscr{C}_w)}=\Omega.$$

Here $K(\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w})$ denotes the Grothendieck ring of $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w}$.

A pair $(\varepsilon \colon X \otimes Y \to \mathbf{1}, \eta \colon \mathbf{1} \to Y \otimes X)$ of morphisms in a monoidal category with a unit object $\mathbf{1}$ is called an *adjunction* if the following two conditions hold.

- (a) The composition $X \simeq X \otimes \mathbf{1} \xrightarrow{X \otimes \eta} X \otimes Y \otimes X \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \otimes X} \mathbf{1} \otimes X \simeq X$ is the identity.
- (b) The composition $Y \simeq \mathbf{1} \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\eta \otimes Y} Y \otimes X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{Y \otimes \varepsilon} Y \otimes \mathbf{1} \simeq Y$ is the identity.

In the case when (ε, η) is an adjunction, we say that X is a *left dual to* Y, Y is a *right dual to* X and (X, Y) is a *dual pair*.

THEOREM 2.16 [KKOP21, KKOP23]. The monoidal category $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w}$ is rigid; i.e. every object of $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w}$ has a right dual and a left dual in $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w}$.

2.7 Determinantal modules and monoidal clusters

In this subsection, we denote by \mathcal{C} the category of \mathscr{C}_w or \mathscr{C}_w . Recall that

 $\mathscr{A} = \mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathcal{C})$ has a quantum cluster algebra structure via an isomorphism

$$\Omega = \Omega \text{ or } \Omega.$$

Let $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ be a reduced sequence of $w \in W$. For k such that $1 \leq k \leq r$, set

$$M_k^i = M(w_{\leq k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, \varpi_{i_k})$$

(see Proposition 2.2 for the notation).

PROPOSITION 2.17 [KKOP18, Theorem 4.12]. Let $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ be a reduced sequence of $w \in W$. For $s < t \in K$, we have

$$-\Lambda(M_s^i, M_t^i) = (\varpi_{is} - w_{\leqslant s}^i \varpi_{is}, \varpi_{it} + w_{\leqslant t}^i \varpi_{it}) = l_{st}^i = (L^i)_{st}.$$

We say that a commuting family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_i\}_{i \in \mathsf{K}}$ in \mathcal{C} is a monoidal cluster if there exists a quantum seed $(\{X_i\}_{i \in \mathsf{K}}, L = (l_{i,j})_{i,j \in \mathsf{K}}, \widetilde{B} = (b_{i,j})_{i \in \mathsf{K}, j \in \mathsf{K}_{ex}})$ of \mathscr{A} such that

$$X_i = \Omega(q^{1/4(\operatorname{wt}(M_i),\operatorname{wt}(M_i))}[M_i]) \quad \text{and} \quad l_{i,j} = -\Lambda(M_i, M_j).$$

Note that every monoidal seed is independent since the quantum cluster monomials in a cluster are linearly independent over \mathbb{A} by the definition.

With Proposition 2.2 and (2.2), Proposition 2.17 says that

$$\mathcal{M}^{i} := \{M_{k}^{i}\}_{1 \leq k \leq r} \text{ is a monoidal cluster in } \mathscr{C}_{w}, \qquad (2.7)$$

for any reduced sequence $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ of w. We call $\mathcal{M}^{\mathbf{i}}$ the *GLS cluster* (associated with \mathbf{i}).

3. Quasi-Laurent family and Laurent family

In this section, we introduce the notions of quasi-Laurent families and Laurent families, which allow us to associate two vectors in \mathbb{Z}^J with each simple module.

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3.1 Definition

Let J be a finite index set. Let \mathscr{C} be a full monoidal subcategory of R-gmod stable by taking subquotients, extensions and grading shifts.

LEMMA 3.1. Let $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ be an independent commuting family of affreal simple objects in \mathscr{C} and X a simple module in \mathscr{C} .

- (i) If \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{a}' , \mathbf{b} , $\mathbf{b}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ satisfy $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ and $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}')$ up to grading shifts, then one has $\mathbf{b} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{a}'$.
- (ii) If \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{a}' , \mathbf{b} , $\mathbf{b}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ satisfy $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \nabla X \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ and $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \nabla X \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}')$ up to grading shifts, then one has $\mathbf{b} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{a}'$.

Proof. Since the proof are similar, we prove only part (i). We have

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}') \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}) \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \simeq (X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \simeq \operatorname{hd}(X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}))$$
$$\simeq (X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}')) \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}' + \mathbf{a}),$$

and, hence, we have $\mathbf{a}' + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}'$ since \mathcal{M} is independent.

DEFINITION 3.2. We say that a commuting family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ of affreal simple objects of \mathscr{C} is a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} if \mathcal{M} satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) \mathcal{M} is independent; and
- (b) if a simple module X commutes with all M_j $(j \in J)$, then there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that

 $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ up to a grading shift.

If \mathcal{M} satisfies part (a) and part (c) below, then we say that \mathcal{M} is a *Laurent family*:

(c) if a simple module X commutes with all M_j $(j \in J)$, then there exists $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $X \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$.

Note that a Laurent family is a quasi-Laurent family.

LEMMA 3.3. Let $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ be a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} . Then we have the following:

- (i) for any simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}$, there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ up to a grading shift;
- (ii) for any simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}$, there exist $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}')$ up to a grading shift.

Proof. Since the proofs are similar, we shall only prove the first statement. Let us take $\mathbf{a}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $\mathbf{a}_j^{(1)} \gg 0$ for all $j \in J$. Then Proposition 2.8 says that the simple module $Y := X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}^{(1)})$ commutes with all M_j . Since \mathcal{M} is a quasi-Laurent family, there exists $\mathbf{a}^{(2)}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $Y \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}^{(2)}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$. Hence, by taking $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}^{(1)} + \mathbf{a}^{(2)}$, we have

$$X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$$

as desired.

By applying the similar argument as in the lemma above to composition factors of $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$, we have the following corollary.

COROLLARY 3.4. Let \mathcal{M} be a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} . Then, for any $X \in \mathscr{C}$, there exist $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, a finite index set S , $c(s) \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbf{b}(s) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ ($s \in \mathsf{S}$) such that

$$[X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] = \sum_{s \in \mathsf{S}} q^{c(s)} [\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}(s))].$$
(3.1)

Remark 3.5. The above corollary says that for every module X in \mathscr{C} and a quasi-Laurent family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_i \mid j \in J\}$, the isomorphism class [X] of X in $K(\mathscr{C})$ can be expressed as an element in the Laurent polynomial ring $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}][[M_i]^{\pm 1} \mid i \in J]$ with positive coefficients.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Assume that $\mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathscr{C})$ has a quantum cluster algebra structure, and let $\mathcal{M} =$ $\{M_k \mid k \in \mathsf{K}\}\$ be a monoidal cluster in \mathscr{C} . Then the commuting family \mathcal{M} is a quasi-Laurent family. In particular, the isomorphism class [X] of X in $K(\mathscr{C})$ can be expressed as an element in the Laurent polynomial $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}][M_i] \mid j \in J]$ with positive coefficients.

If, moreover, every $[M_k]$ is prime in $K(\mathscr{C})|_{a=1}$, then \mathcal{M} is a Laurent family.

Note that if $K(\mathscr{C})|_{q=1}$ is factorial, then every $[M_k]$ is prime in $K(\mathscr{C})|_{q=1}$ (see [GLS13b]).

Proof. Let X be a simple module in \mathscr{C} commuting with all M_k $(k \in \mathsf{K})$. The quantum Laurent phenomenon states that there exists $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ such that

$$[X] = \frac{\sum_{s \in \mathsf{S}} c(s)[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}^{(s)})]}{[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})]} \iff [X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] = \sum_{s \in \mathsf{S}} c(s)[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}^{(s)})]$$
(3.2)

for some $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$, $\mathbf{b}^{(s)} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ and $c(s) \in \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}]$. Since $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$ is simple, the right-hand side of (3.2) must coincide with $q^c \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c})$ for some $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ and $c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Hence, \mathcal{M} is a quasi-Laurent family.

Let us show that \mathcal{M} is a Laurent family. If $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$, then we have $\mathbf{a}_k \leq \mathbf{b}_k$ for all k, since each $[M_k]$ is a prime element of $K(\mathscr{C})|_{q=1}$. Hence, setting $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$, we have $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c}) \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$, which implies that $X \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c})$. Hence, \mathcal{M} is a Laurent family. DEFINITION 3.7. For a simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}$ and a quasi-Laurent family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_i \mid j \in J\}$, take $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ and $X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}') \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}')$ up to grading

shifts. Then we define

$$\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X) := \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X) := \mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{a}' \in \mathbb{Z}^{J}.$$

Remark 3.8.

- (1) For a quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M} in \mathscr{C} , $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}$ are well-defined by Lemma 3.1. (2) For a reduced sequence i of w and its quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M}^{i} , we write \mathbf{g}_{i}^{R} and \mathbf{g}_{i}^{L} instead of $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^i}^R$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^i}^L$, respectively.
- (3) The map \mathbf{g}_i^R and \mathbf{g}_i^L for the quasi-Laurent family \mathcal{M}^i can be extended to the set $\operatorname{Irr}(\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_w})$ of the isomorphism classes of self-dual simples in \mathscr{C}_w .

The following lemma can be proved by the same arguments in [KK19].

LEMMA 3.9. Let \mathcal{M} be a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} and X a simple module in \mathscr{C} .

(i) If $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ satisfy $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^R(X)$ (respectively, $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^L(X)$), then we have $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$ (respectively, $X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$) up to a grading shift.

(ii) For any
$$\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$$
, we have

$$\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X) + \mathbf{a} \quad and \quad \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X) + \mathbf{a}.$$

(iii) The maps $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}$ from $\operatorname{Irr}(\mathscr{C})$ to \mathbb{Z}^{J} are injective.

4. PBW decomposition vector and GLS seed

In this section, we recall the PBW basis, and we investigate the relationship between the q-vectors and the PBW decomposition vectors.

4.1 PBW decomposition vector

Let us take $w \in W$ and its reduced sequence $i = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$. Recall the following.

(a) We take an index set K = [1, r] with a decomposition

 $\mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{ex}} \sqcup \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{fr}}$ where $\mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{ex}} = \{k \in \mathsf{K} \mid k_+ \leqslant r\}$.

(b) For each $1 \leq k \leq r$, we set $\beta_k^i \in \Delta^+ \cap w\Delta^-$ and define simple modules $S_k^i = M(w_{\leq k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, w_{< k}^i \varpi_{i_k})$ and $M_k^i = M(w_{\leq k}^i \varpi_{i_k}, \varpi_{i_k})$. Note that

$$M_k^i \simeq S_k^i \nabla M_{k_-}^i$$
 and $\mathcal{M}^i := \{M_k^i \mid k \in \mathsf{K}\}$ forms a commuting family. (4.1)

For any $\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_k)_{1 \leq k \leq r} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$, the convolution product

$$P_{\boldsymbol{i}}(\mathbf{a}) := q^{(1/2)\sum_{k=1}^{r} \mathbf{a}_{k}(\mathbf{a}_{k}-1)\mathsf{d}_{i_{k}}} S_{r}^{\boldsymbol{i}} \circ \mathbf{a}_{r} \circ \cdots \circ S_{1}^{\boldsymbol{i}} \circ \mathbf{a}_{1}$$

has a self-dual simple head. Conversely, every self-dual simple module in \mathscr{C}_w is isomorphic to $hd(P_i(\mathbf{a}))$ for some $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ in a unique way (see [McN15, Theorem 3.1] and [TW16, Theorem 2.19]). We call $\{P_i(\mathbf{a}) \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}\}$ the *PBW basis of* \mathscr{C}_w associated with i. For a simple module X such that $X \simeq \operatorname{hd}(P_i(\mathbf{a}))$, we set

$$\operatorname{PBW}_{i}(X) := \mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_{1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{r}).$$

The following lemma says that the operation $PBW_i(-\nabla \mathcal{M}^i(\mathbf{a}))$ on the set of simple modules behaves very nicely, where $\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a})$ is defined in (2.5).

LEMMA 4.1 (cf. [KK19, Lemma 3.11 and Proposition 3.14]). For $M = \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a})$ with $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ and a simple module X, we have

$$\operatorname{PBW}_{i}(X \nabla M) = \operatorname{PBW}_{i}(X) + \operatorname{PBW}_{i}(M).$$

In particular, $\mathbf{c} := \text{PBW}_i(\mathcal{M}^i(\mathbf{a}))$ is given by $\mathbf{c}_k = \sum_j \mathbf{a}_j$ where j ranges over $j \in [1, r]$ such that $j \ge k$ and $i_j = i_k$.

Proof. It is enough to show it when $M = M_k^i$. Note that

$$X \simeq \operatorname{hd}\left(\operatorname{\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\circ}}_{1 \leqslant k \leqslant r} S_k^{i \circ \mathbf{n}_k}\right) = S_r^{i \circ \mathbf{n}_r} \nabla Y,$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{n}_1, \dots, \mathbf{n}_r) = \operatorname{PBW}_i(X), Y \simeq \operatorname{hd}\left(\begin{array}{c} \overrightarrow{\circ} & S_k^{i \circ \mathbf{n}_k} \\ 1 \leq k \leq r-1 \end{array} \right)$ and $\begin{array}{c} \overrightarrow{\circ} & X_k \text{ denotes the ordered} \\ p \leq k \leq q \end{array}$ convolution product $X_q \circ X_{q-1} \circ \cdots \times X_{p+1} \circ X_p$ for X_k in *R*-gmod. If r > k, then $(S_r^{i \circ \mathbf{n}_r}, M_k^i)$ is unmixed and, hence, $S_r^{i \circ \mathbf{n}_r} \circ Y \circ M_k^i$ has a simple head. We have

$$\begin{split} X \nabla M_k^{\boldsymbol{i}} &\simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_r^{\boldsymbol{i}^{\circ \mathbf{n}_r}} \circ Y \circ M_k^{\boldsymbol{i}}) \\ &\simeq S_r^{\boldsymbol{i}^{\circ \mathbf{n}_r}} \nabla \left(Y \nabla M_k^{\boldsymbol{i}} \right) \simeq S_r^{\boldsymbol{i}^{\circ \mathbf{n}_r}} \nabla \operatorname{hd} \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \overrightarrow{\circ} \\ \circ \\ 1 \leqslant k \leqslant r-1 \end{smallmatrix} \right) S_k^{\boldsymbol{i}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_k}} \end{split}$$

where $\mathbf{c} = \text{PBW}_i(Y) + \text{PBW}_i(M_k^i)$ by induction on r. Thus, our assertion follows in this case. If r = k, then M_r^i commutes with all the objects of \mathscr{C}_w and, hence, we have

$$X \nabla M_r^{\boldsymbol{i}} \simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_r^{\boldsymbol{i} \circ \mathbf{n}_r} \circ M_r^{\boldsymbol{i}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\boldsymbol{i} \circ \mathbf{n}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots S_1^{\boldsymbol{i} \circ \mathbf{n}_1})$$

$$\simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_r^{i\circ\mathbf{n}_r} \circ M_r^i) \nabla Y \simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_r^{i\circ\mathbf{n}_r} \circ (S_r^i \nabla M_{r_-}^i)) \nabla Y$$
$$\simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_r^{i\circ\mathbf{n}_r+1} \nabla M_{r_-}^i) \nabla Y \simeq S_r^{i\circ\mathbf{n}_r+1} \nabla (M_{r_-}^i \circ Y),$$

where the last isomorphism follows from the commutativity of $M_{r_{-}}^{i}$ and Y. Then our assertion follows from the induction hypothesis.

The lemma above gives a direct proof of the following corollary although it follows immediately from Proposition 3.6.

COROLLARY 4.2. For any reduced sequence *i* for *w*, the commuting family \mathcal{M}^i is independent.

The following proposition is proved in [KK19, Proposition 2.11] for symmetric quiver Hecke algebra and the same proof also works for the general case.

PROPOSITION 4.3. For any $\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r)$, $\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_r) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$, the ordered sequence

$$(S_r^{i^{\circ \mathbf{a}_r}}, (S_{r-1}^{i})^{\circ \mathbf{a}_{r-1}}, \dots, S_1^{i^{\circ \mathbf{a}_1}}, M_1^{i^{\circ \mathbf{b}_1}}, M_2^{i^{\circ \mathbf{b}_2}}, \dots, M_r^{i^{\circ \mathbf{b}_r}})$$

is a normal sequence.

The statement and proof of following proposition are the same as [KK19, Proposition 3.14] even though [KK19] dealt only with symmetric quiver Hecke algebras. Here we repeat it in order to show relations between explicit $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -vectors associated with a simple module X in \mathscr{C}_w for the readers' convenience.

PROPOSITION 4.4. For a simple module X in \mathscr{C}_w or $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w$, there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ such that

 $X \nabla \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{b})$ up to a grading shift.

Proof. In this proof, we sometimes drop i for notational simplicity. It is enough to consider when $X \in \mathscr{C}_w$ by part (D) in (2.6). Note that there exists a unique $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{c}_r) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ such that

$$X \simeq \operatorname{hd}(P_{i}(\mathbf{c})) \simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_{r}^{i \circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{1}^{i \circ \mathbf{c}_{1}}).$$

Set $\mathbf{c}_+ := \sum_{k=1}^r \mathbf{c}_{k+} \mathbf{e}_k = \sum_{j \in \mathsf{K}} \mathbf{c}_k \mathbf{e}_{k-}$, where $\{\mathbf{e}_j \mid j \in \mathsf{K}\}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{Z}^{K} such that $\mathbf{c} = \sum_{j \in \mathsf{K}} \mathbf{c}_j \mathbf{e}_j$. Then we have $\mathcal{M}^i(\mathbf{c}_+) \simeq M_{1-}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_1} \circ \cdots \circ M_{r-}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_r}$. By (4.1) and Proposition 4.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X \nabla \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{c}_{+}) &\simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}} \circ \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{c}_{+})) \\ &\simeq \operatorname{hd}(S_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{2}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}} \circ S_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}} \circ M_{1_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}} \circ M_{2_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}} \circ \cdots \circ M_{r_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}}) \\ &\simeq \operatorname{hd}((S_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{2}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}}) \circ (S_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}} \nabla M_{1_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}}) \circ (M_{2_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}} \circ \cdots \circ M_{r_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}})) \\ &\simeq \operatorname{hd}((S_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}}) \circ M_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}} \circ (M_{2_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}} \circ \cdots \circ M_{r_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}})) \\ &\simeq \operatorname{hd}((S_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ S_{r-1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r-1}} \circ \cdots \circ S_{2}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}}) \circ (M_{2_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{2}} \circ \cdots \circ M_{r_{-}}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}}) \circ M_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}}) \\ &\simeq \cdots \simeq \operatorname{hd}(M_{r}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{r}} \circ \cdots \circ M_{1}^{\circ \mathbf{c}_{1}}) \simeq \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{c}),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies our assertion.

As seen by the proof of the above proposition and Proposition 3.6, we have the following.

PROPOSITION 4.5. The commuting family \mathcal{M}^i is a Laurent family. Moreover, for a simple module M, two vectors $\mathbf{a} = \operatorname{PBW}_i(M)$ and $\mathbf{g} := \mathbf{g}_i^R(M)$ are related by

$$\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{a}_k - \mathbf{a}_{k_+}, \quad \mathbf{a}_k = \sum_{j;j \geqslant k, \ i_j = i_k} \mathbf{g}_j,$$

where $a_{r+1} = 0$.

The following corollary can be proved by the same arguments in [KK19].

COROLLARY 4.6. Let i be a reduced sequence of w.

(i) For a dual pair of simples (L, R) in $\widetilde{\mathscr{C}}_w$, we have

$$\mathbf{g}_{i}^{R}(L) + \mathbf{g}_{i}^{L}(R) = 0.$$

(ii) The maps $\mathbf{g}_{i}^{R}, \mathbf{g}_{i}^{L}$: $\operatorname{Irr}(\widetilde{\mathscr{C}_{w}}) \to \mathbb{Z}^{\mathsf{K}}$ are bijective.

5. Skew-symmetric pairings

In this section, we study skew-symmetric pairings induced by the \mathbb{Z} -vectors associated with simple modules.

5.1 Skew-symmetric pairing associated with a quasi-Laurent family

Let \mathscr{C} be a full monoidal subcategory of *R*-gmod stable by taking subquotients, extensions and grading shifts, and let $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ be a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} labeled by a finite index set *J*.

For $X, Y \in Irr(\mathscr{C})$, let us define

$$G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y) := \sum_{a,b\in J} (\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X))_{a} (\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(Y))_{b} \Lambda(M_{a},M_{b}) \text{ and}$$
$$G_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X,Y) := \sum_{a,b\in J} (\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X))_{a} (\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(Y))_{b} \Lambda(M_{a},M_{b}).$$
(5.1)

The following lemma immediately follows from Lemma 3.9.

LEMMA 5.1. For $M = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})$ with $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ and $X, Y \in \operatorname{Irr}(\mathscr{C})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X \nabla M, Y) &= \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X, Y) + \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(M, Y), \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X, Y) = -\mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(Y, X), \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X \Delta M, Y) &= \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X, Y) + \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(M, Y), \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X, Y) = -\mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(Y, X). \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION 5.2. Let X be a simple module in \mathscr{C} . Then for any $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^J$, we have

(i)
$$\Lambda(X, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c})) = \mathrm{G}^{R}_{\mathcal{M}}(X, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c}))$$
 and (ii) $\Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c}), X) = \mathrm{G}^{L}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c}), X).$

Proof. If X is also of the form $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{d})$, it is obvious. Set $Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{c})$.

(i) Note that there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$. Then we have

$$\Lambda(X,Y) + \Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}),Y) = \Lambda(X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}),Y) = G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}),Y)$$
$$= G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y) + G_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}),Y).$$

Since $\Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}), Y) = G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}), Y)$, our assertion follows.

(ii) Similarly, there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \nabla X \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$. Then we have

$$\Lambda(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) + \Lambda(Y, X) = \Lambda(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \nabla X) = \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \nabla X)$$
$$= \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) + \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(Y, X).$$

Then our assertion follows from the fact that $\Lambda(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) = G^L_{\mathcal{M}}(Y, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})).$

PROPOSITION 5.3. For any simple modules X, Y in \mathscr{C} such that one of them is affreal, we have $G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y), G^L_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y) \leq \Lambda(X,Y).$

Proof. Since the proofs are similar, we will consider the case of $G_{\mathcal{M}}^R$. Take $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ such that $Y \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y) + \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) &= \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,Y \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) \\ &= \Lambda(X,Y \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) \leqslant \Lambda(X,Y) + \Lambda(X,\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})) \\ &= \Lambda(X,Y) + \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X,\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})), \end{aligned}$$

which yields our assertion. Here, the inequality follows from [KKKO18, Proposition 3.2.10]. \Box

PROPOSITION 5.4. If simple modules X and Y in \mathscr{C} commute and one of them is affreal, then we have

$$\Lambda(X,Y) = \mathcal{G}^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y) = \mathcal{G}^L_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y).$$

Proof. Since the proofs are similar, we will only give the proof for $G_{\mathcal{M}}^R$. By the preceding proposition, we have

$$0 = (\Lambda(X,Y) + \Lambda(Y,X)) - (G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y) + G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(Y,X))$$

= $(\Lambda(X,Y) - G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y)) + (\Lambda(Y,X) - G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(Y,X)) \ge 0,$

which implies $\Lambda(X, Y) - G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X, Y) = 0.$

Remark 5.5. The two invariants $G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y)$ and $G^L_{\mathcal{M}}(X,Y)$ are different in general and depend on the choice of \mathcal{M} .

Let w_0 be the longest element of finite type A_2 . For a reduced sequence $\mathbf{i} = (1, 2, 1)$ of w_0 , we have

$$\{S_1^i = \langle 1 \rangle, S_2^i = \langle 12 \rangle, S_3^i = \langle 2 \rangle\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{M}^i = \{M_1^i = \langle 1 \rangle, M_2^i = \langle 12 \rangle, M_3^i = \langle 21 \rangle\}, \tag{5.2}$$

while

$$\{S_1^j = \langle 2 \rangle, S_2^j = \langle 21 \rangle, S_3^j = \langle 1 \rangle\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{M}^j = \{M_1^j = \langle 2 \rangle, M_2^j = \langle 21 \rangle, M_3^j = \langle 12 \rangle\} \tag{5.3}$$

for the other reduced sequence $\mathbf{j} = (2, 1, 2)$ of w_0 . Here $\langle k \rangle$ (k = 1, 2) is a one-dimensional $R(\alpha_k)$ -module, and $\langle 12 \rangle$ and $\langle 21 \rangle$ are one-dimensional $R(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$ -modules (see [KKK18] for more details on these modules).

Since A_2 is symmetric, $\mathcal{M}' := \mu_1(\mathcal{M}^i)$ is also a Laurent family given as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}' = \{ M_1' = \mu_1(M_1^i) \simeq \langle 2 \rangle, M_2' = M_2^i \simeq \langle 12 \rangle, M_3' = M_3^i \simeq \langle 21 \rangle \}.$$

Note that $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}^j$ (up to an index permutation). We have

$$\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(\langle 1 \rangle) = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{L}(\langle 1 \rangle) = (1,0,0), \quad \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(\langle 2 \rangle) = (-1,0,1), \quad \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{L}(\langle 2 \rangle) = (-1,1,0), \\ \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{R}(\langle 1 \rangle) = (-1,1,0), \quad \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{L}(\langle 1 \rangle) = (-1,0,1), \quad \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{R}(\langle 2 \rangle) = \mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{L}(\langle 2 \rangle) = (1,0,0),$$

and

$$\begin{split} \Lambda(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) &= \Lambda(\langle 2 \rangle, \langle 1 \rangle) = 1, \quad \Lambda(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 12 \rangle) = 1, \\ \Lambda(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 21 \rangle) &= -1, \quad \Lambda(\langle 12 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = 1, \quad \Lambda(\langle 21 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = -1. \end{split}$$

Note that $\Lambda(X, X) = 0$ for an affreal simple module X. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) &= 1 \times \Lambda(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 21 \rangle) = -1, \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{R}(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = 1 \times \Lambda(\langle 12 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = 1, \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{L}(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) &= 1 \times \Lambda(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 12 \rangle) = 1, \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{\prime}}^{L}(\langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = 1 \times \Lambda(\langle 21 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle) = -1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for a non-commuting pair of simple modules (X, Y) in \mathscr{C} , the \mathbb{Z} -values $G^R_{\mathcal{M}}(X, Y)$ and $G^L_{\mathcal{M}}(X, Y)$ do depend on the choice of a quasi-Laurent commuting family \mathcal{M} .

5.2 Skew-symmetric pairing associated with the GLS cluster

Let $w \in W$ and $i = (i_1, \ldots, i_r)$ a reduced sequence of w. Let \mathcal{M}^i be the associated GLS cluster. For such a Laurent family, we can define $G^R_{\mathcal{M}^i}$ in terms of PBW decompositions.

We define a skew-symmetric \mathbb{Z} -valued map $\lambda^i \colon [1,r] \times [1,r] \to \mathbb{Z}$ by

$$\lambda_{a,b}^{i} := (-1)^{\delta(a>b)} \delta(a \neq b) (\beta_{a}^{i}, \beta_{b}^{i})$$
(5.4)

for $1 \leq a, b \leq r$.

Remark 5.6. The skew-symmetric map λ^{i} in (5.4) is known when \mathfrak{g} is of finite type and i is adapted to a *Q*-datum (see [HL15, Proposition 3.2], [FO21, Proposition 5.21] and [KaOh23, Theorem 5.4]).

Let us recall the notion of i-box and an affreal simple module $M^i[a, b]$ in \mathscr{C}_w for an i-box [a, b], which are introduced in [KKOP24b].

(a) For $1 \leq a \leq b \leq r$ such that $i_a = i_b$, we call an interval [a, b] an *i*-box.

- (b) For an *i*-box [a, b], we set $[a, b]_i := \{u \mid a \leq u \leq b, i_a = i_u\}$.
- (c) For an i-box [a, b], we set

$$\begin{split} M^{i}[a,b] &:= M(w^{i}_{\leqslant b} \varpi_{i_{a}}, w^{i}_{< a} \varpi_{i_{a}}) \simeq \operatorname{hd} \left(\stackrel{\overrightarrow{o}}{\underset{u \in [a,b]_{i}}{\circ}} S^{i}_{u} \right) \\ &\simeq S^{i}_{b} \nabla M^{i}[a,b_{-}] \simeq M^{i}[a_{+},b] \nabla S^{i}_{a}, \end{split}$$

up to grading shifts. In particular, $M_k^i = M^i[k_{\min}, k]$ and $S_k^i = M^i[k, k]$.

Note that $M^{i}[a, b]$ is an affreal simple module in \mathscr{C}_{w} .

PROPOSITION 5.7. For *i*-boxes [x, y] and [x', y'] in an interval [1, r], assume that

(a)
$$x > x'_{-}$$
 or (b) $y_{+} > y'$. (5.5)

Then we have

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[x,y], M^{i}[x',y']) = \sum_{u \in [x,y]_{i}, v \in [x',y']_{i}} \lambda_{u,v}.$$
(5.6)

Proof. Since the proof is similar, we shall give only the proof of case (a). Let us divide into sub-cases as below.

(i)
$$[x = y > x'_{-}]$$
 If $x > x'$, we have

$$\begin{split} \Lambda(S^{i}_{x}, M^{i}[x', y']) &= \Lambda(S^{i}_{x}, M^{i}[x'_{+}, y'] \nabla S^{i}_{x'}) \\ &= \Lambda(S^{i}_{x}, M^{i}[x'_{+}, y']) + \Lambda(S^{i}_{x}, S^{i}_{x'}) = \Lambda(S^{i}_{x}, M^{i}[x'_{+}, y']) + \lambda^{i}_{x,x'}. \end{split}$$

Here $=_{(1)}$ holds by [KKOP23, Proposition 2.12] and the fact that $(S_x^i, S_{x'}^i)$ is an unmixed pair. Then by the induction hypothesis on $|[x', y']_i|$, we have

$$\Lambda(S_x^{i}, M^{i}[x', y']) = \lambda_{x, x'}^{i} + \sum_{v \in [x'_{+}, y']_{i}} \lambda_{x, v}^{i} = \sum_{v \in [x', y']_{i}} \lambda_{x, v}^{i},$$

as we desired.

Now, the remainder of case (i) can be described as follows:

$$x'_{-} < x = y \leqslant x' \leqslant y'.$$

Since S_x^i commutes with $M^i[x', y']$ and $M^i[x', y'_-]$ by [KKOP21, Proposition 3.27],

$$\begin{split} \Lambda(S_x^i, M^i[x', y']) &= -\Lambda(M^i[x', y'], S_x^i) = -\Lambda(S_{y'}^i \nabla M^i[x', y'_-], S_x^i) \\ &= -\Lambda(S_{y'}^i, S_x^i) - \Lambda(M^i[x', y'_-], S_x^i) \\ &= (\beta_{y'}, \beta_x) + \Lambda(S_x^i, M^i[x', y'_-]) = \lambda_{x,y'}^i + \Lambda(S_x^i, M^i[x', y'_-]), \end{split}$$

then our assertion follows from the induction hypothesis on $|[x', y']_i|$.

(ii) [x < y] Assume first that y > y'. Then we have

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[x, y], M^{i}[x', y']) = \Lambda(S^{i}_{y} \nabla M^{i}[x, y_{-}], M^{i}[x', y'])$$

= $\Lambda(S^{i}_{y}, M^{i}[x', y']) + \Lambda(M^{i}[x, y_{-}], M^{i}[x', y']).$

Note that $(S_y^i, M^i[x', y'])$ is an unmixed pair. Then, by induction on $|[x, y]_i|$, we have

$$\begin{split} \Lambda(M^{i}[x,y],M^{i}[x',y']) &= \Lambda(S^{i}_{y} \nabla M^{i}[x,y_{-}],M^{i}[x',y']) \\ &= \sum_{v \in [x',y']_{i}} \lambda^{i}_{y,v} + \sum_{u \in [x,y_{-}]_{i}; v \in [x',y']_{i}} \lambda^{i}_{u,v}, \end{split}$$

which yields our assertion for this case.

Now let us assume that $y \leq y'$. Then we have

$$x'_{-} < x < y \leqslant y'.$$

Then for any $u \in [x, y]_i$, S_u^i commutes with $M^i[x', y']$ by [KKOP21, Proposition 3.27]. By [KKKO18, Proposition 3.2.13], we have

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[x,y], M^{i}[x',y']) = \sum_{u \in [x,y]_{i}} \Lambda(S^{i}_{u}, M^{i}[x',y']).$$

Then our assertion follows from case (i).

We say that *i*-boxes $[a_1, b_1]$ and $[a_2, b_2]$ commute if we have either

 $(a_1)_- < a_2 \leq b_2 < (b_1)_+$ or $(a_2)_- < a_1 \leq b_1 < (b_2)_+.$

The following corollary is proved in [KKOP24b, Theorem 4.21] in the quantum affine case.

COROLLARY 5.8. For commuting *i*-boxes $[a_1, b_1]$ and $[a_2, b_2]$, the modules $M^i[a_1, b_1]$ and $M^i[a_2, b_2]$ commute.

Proof. By Proposition 5.7, we have

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[a_{1}, b_{1}], M^{i}[a_{2}, b_{2}]) = \sum_{\substack{u \in [a_{1}, b_{1}]_{i} \\ v \in [a_{2}, b_{2}]_{i}}} \lambda_{u, v}^{i} = -\Lambda(M^{i}[a_{2}, b_{2}], M^{i}[a_{1}, b_{1}]),$$

which implies $\mathfrak{d}(M^i[a_1, b_1], M^i[a_2, b_2]) = 0$. Thus, our assertion follows from Proposition 2.7(v).

PROPOSITION 5.9. For a commuting pair $(M^{i}[x, y], M^{i}[x', y']), (5.6)$ holds.

Proof. If the *i*-boxes [x, y] and [x', y'] satisfy (5.5), our assertion holds. Thus, it is enough to consider when $x \leq x'_{-}$ and $y_{+} \leq y'$. Since they commute,

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[x,y],M^{i}[x',y']) = -\Lambda(M^{i}[x',y'],M^{i}[x,y]).$$

If $x' > x_{-}$ or $y'_{+} > y$, Proposition 5.7 says that

$$\Lambda(M^{i}[x,y],M^{i}[x',y']) = -\sum_{u \in [x,y]_{i}; \ v \in [x',y']_{i}} \lambda_{v,u}^{i} = \sum_{u \in [x,y]_{i}; \ v \in [x',y']_{i}} \lambda_{u,v}^{i}$$

which implies the assertion. Thus, we may assume that $x' \leq x_{-}$. However, in this case, we have

 $x' \leqslant x_{-} \leqslant x \leqslant x'_{-},$

which yields a contradiction.

Let us define the skew-symmetric pairing L_i on $Irr(\mathscr{C}_w)$ as follows:

$$L_{i}(X,Y) := \sum_{1 \leq a,b \leq r} (PBW_{i}(X))_{a} (PBW_{i}(Y))_{b} \lambda_{a,b}^{i}.$$
(5.7)

The following lemma follows from Lemma 4.1 and (5.7).

LEMMA 5.10. For $M = \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a})$ with $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$, we have

$$L_{i}(X \nabla M, Y) = L_{i}(X, Y) + L_{i}(M, Y) \quad and \quad L_{i}(X, Y) = -L_{i}(Y, X).$$

PROPOSITION 5.11. For any simple X, Y in \mathscr{C}_w , we have

$$\mathcal{L}_{i}(X,Y) = \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(X,Y).$$

Proof. Let S be the set of simple modules Y in \mathscr{C}_w such that $L_i(X,Y) = G^R_{\mathcal{M}^i}(X,Y)$ for any simple $X \in \mathscr{C}_w$, and let S' be the set of simple modules Y in \mathscr{C}_w such that $L_i(\mathcal{M}^i(\mathbf{a}),Y) = G^R_{\mathcal{M}^i}(\mathcal{M}^i(\mathbf{a}),Y)$ for any $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$. By Proposition 5.9, we have

$$\mathcal{L}_{i}(M_{s}^{i}, M_{t}^{i}) = \Lambda(M_{s}^{i}, M_{t}^{i}) \text{ for any } s, t \in \mathsf{K}.$$

Thus, we have $\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}) \in \mathcal{S}'$ by Lemma 5.10. Now, let us show $\mathcal{S}' \subset \mathcal{S}$. Let $Y \in \mathcal{S}'$. For any simple X, there exist $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}}$ such that $X \nabla \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{b})$. Hence, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{i}(X,Y) + \mathcal{L}_{i}(\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}),Y) &= \mathcal{L}_{i}(\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{b}),Y) = \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{b}),Y) \\ &= \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(X,Y) + \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}),Y) = \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}^{R}(X,Y) + \mathcal{L}_{i}(\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}),Y). \end{split}$$

Here $=_{(1)}$ follows from Lemma 5.10 and $=_{(2)}$ follows from Lemma 5.1. Hence, we have $L_i(X, Y) = G^R_{\mathcal{M}^i}(X, Y)$. Thus, we have proved $\mathcal{S}' \subset \mathcal{S}$.

Since $\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}) \in \mathcal{S}'$, we have $\mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}) \in \mathcal{S}$, which implies that

$$L_{i}(Y, \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a})) = G^{R}_{\mathcal{M}^{i}}(Y, \mathcal{M}^{i}(\mathbf{a}))$$

for any simple Y. Hence any simple Y belongs to \mathcal{S}' and hence to \mathcal{S} .

5.3 Degree and codegree

In this subsection, we see the relationship between $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(X)$ (respectively, $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(X)$) and the degree (respectively, codegree) in the (quantum) cluster algebra theory. For a commuting family $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ labeled by a finite index set J, let us recall the preorder $\preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}}$ on $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{J}$ given in [KK19, § 3.3] (see also [Qin17, Definition 3.1.1]):

$$\mathbf{b}' \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b} \text{ if and only if } (1) \operatorname{wt}(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b})) = \operatorname{wt}(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}')),$$
$$(2) \Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}'), M_j) \leqslant \Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}), M_j) \text{ for all } j \in J.$$

The preorder $\preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}}$ can be extended to the one on \mathbb{Z}^J as follows: for $\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{b}' \in \mathbb{Z}^J$,

$$\mathbf{b}' \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b} \text{ if } \mathbf{b}' + \mathbf{a} \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \text{ for some } \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J \text{ such that } \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}' + \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J.$$

We write $\mathbf{b}' \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}$, if $\mathbf{b}' \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}$ holds but $\mathbf{b} \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}'$ does not hold. Hence, $\mathbf{b}' \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}$ if and only if $\mathbf{b}' \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}$ and there exists $j \in J$ such that $\Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}), M_j) < \Lambda(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}'), M_j)$.

LEMMA 5.12 (cf. [KK19, Lemma 3.6]). Let X be a simple module and $\mathcal{M} = \{M_j \mid j \in J\}$ be a quasi-Laurent family in \mathscr{C} . Let $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, S , $c(s) \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbf{b}(s) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^J$ ($s \in \mathsf{S}$) be as in (3.1). Then we have the following.

- (i) There exists a unique $s_0 \in \mathsf{S}$ such that $X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq q^{c(s_0)} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}(s_0))$. Moreover, we have $\mathbf{b}(s) \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}(s_0)$ for any $s \in \mathsf{S} \setminus \{s_0\}$.
- (ii) There exists a unique $s_1 \in \mathsf{S}$ such that $X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq q^{c(s_1)} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}(s_1))$. Moreover, we have $\mathbf{b}(s_1) \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}(s)$ for any $s \in \mathsf{S} \setminus \{s_1\}$.
- (iii) If $s_0 = s_1$, then $S = \{s_0\}$ and $X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a}) \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{b}(s_0))$.
- (iv) If $s_0 \neq s_1$ and there exists no $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathsf{K}}$ such that $\mathbf{b}(s_1) \mathbf{a} \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{c} \prec_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}(s_0) \mathbf{a}$, then

$$[X \circ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] = [X \nabla \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] + [X \Delta \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{a})] \quad in \ K(\mathscr{C}_w).$$

Proof. It follows from Proposition 2.7 and (3.1).

The following proposition is proved for symmetric quiver Hecke algebras and can be extended to general quiver Hecke algebras using almost the same argument:

PROPOSITION 5.13 [KK19, Proposition 3.3]. For a monoidal cluster $\mathcal{M} = \{M_k \mid k \in \mathsf{K}\}$ associated with a quantum seed $(\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L, \widetilde{B}),$

$$\mathbf{b}' \preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}} \mathbf{b}$$
 if and only if $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b}' = \tilde{B}\underline{v}$ for some $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{ex}}}$.

In particular, the relation $\preccurlyeq_{\mathcal{M}}$ is an order on \mathbb{Z}^{K} .

COROLLARY 5.14. Let $\mathcal{M} = \{M_k \mid k \in \mathsf{K}\}$ be a monoidal cluster associated with a quantum seed $\mathcal{S} = (\{X_k\}_{k \in \mathsf{K}}, L, B)$. Then [X] is $\mathcal{T}(L)$ -pointed and $\mathcal{T}(L)$ -copointed for any simple module $X \in \mathscr{C}_w$.

Remark 5.15. For a monoidal cluster \mathcal{M} associated with a quantum seed \mathcal{S} and a simple module $M \in \mathscr{C}$, the above corollary says that $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{R}(M)$ and $\mathbf{g}_{\mathcal{M}}^{L}(M)$ coincide with the degree and codegree of $[M] \in \mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathscr{C}) \simeq \mathscr{A}_{\mathbb{A}}(\mathcal{S})$, respectively.

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