

# TILTING COMPLEXES OVER PREPROJECTIVE ALGEBRAS OF DYNKIN TYPE

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ABSTRACT. In this note, we explain a connection between braid groups and tilting complexes over preprojective algebras of Dynkin (A,D,E) type. More precisely, we classify all tilting complexes by giving a bijection with elements of the braid groups.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Derived categories are nowadays considered as a fundamental object in many branches of mathematics including representation theory and algebraic geometry. One of the important problems is to study their equivalences. By Rickard's Morita theorem for derived categories, it is known that derived equivalences are controlled by tilting complexes [28]. Tilting theory provides several useful methods for studying tilting complexes and, in particular, mutation plays a significant role. Roughly speaking, mutation is an operation, for a certain class of objects, to obtain a new object from a given one by replacing a summand. In the case of tilting modules, their mutation was formulated by Riedtmann-Schofield and Happel-Unger [30, 16, 32]. For example, APR (Auslander-Platzeck-Reiten) tilting modules [5] and Okuyama-Rickard complexes [29, 27, 18] can be regarded as a special case of tilting mutation. One of the negative aspects of tilting mutation is that some summands of a tilting complex can not be replaced to get a new one and hence we can not repeat tilting mutation. To remove this disadvantage, Aihara-Iyama studied a wider class of mutation, called silting mutation and it is shown that silting mutation is always possible and it admits a combinatorial description [4].

We give a further development of tilting (silting) theory and we determine all tilting complexes over preprojective algebras of Dynkin type.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**2.1. Preprojective algebras.** Preprojective algebras were first introduced by Gelfand-Ponomarev [15], and later formulated and developed in [14, 7]. Since then, they are one of the fundamental objects in the representation theory (refer to a survey paper [31]).

Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field and  $Q$  a finite connected acyclic quiver. We denote by  $\overline{Q}$  the double quiver of  $Q$ , which is obtained by adding an arrow  $a^* : j \rightarrow i$  for each arrow  $a : i \rightarrow j$  in  $Q_1$ . The *preprojective algebra*  $\Lambda_Q = \Lambda$  associated to  $Q$  is the algebra  $K\overline{Q}/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal in the path algebra  $K\overline{Q}$  generated by the relations of

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the form:

$$\sum_{a \in Q_1} (aa^* - a^*a).$$

Let  $Q$  be a Dynkin quiver and  $e_i$  the primitive idempotent of  $\Lambda$  associated with  $i \in Q_0$ . Then the preprojective algebra of  $Q$  is finite dimensional and selfinjective [11, Theorem 4.8]. We denote the Nakayama permutation of  $\Lambda$  by  $\sigma : Q_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  (i.e.  $D(\Lambda e_{\sigma(i)}) \cong e_i \Lambda$ , where  $D := \text{Hom}_K(-, K)$ ).

Note that  $\Lambda_Q$  does not depend on the orientation of  $Q$ .

**2.2. Weyl group.** We refer to [8, 19] for basic properties of the Weyl (Coxeter) group. Let  $Q$  be a quiver of type  $A, B(C), D, E$  and  $F$ . The *Weyl group*  $W_Q$  associated to  $Q$  is defined by the generators  $s_i$  ( $i \in Q_0$ ) and relations  $(s_i s_j)^{m(i,j)} = 1$ , where

$$m(i, j) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j; \\ 2 & \text{if no edge between } i \text{ and } j; \\ 3 & \text{if there is an edge } i - j, \\ 4 & \text{if there is an edge } i \overset{4}{-} j. \end{cases}$$

Each element  $w \in W_Q$  can be written in the form  $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ . If  $k$  is minimal among all such expressions for  $w$ , then  $k$  is called the *length* of  $w$  and we denote by  $l(w) = k$ . In this case, we call  $s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$  a *reduced expression* of  $w$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be the Nakayama permutation of  $\Lambda$ . Then  $\sigma$  acts on an element of the Weyl group  $W_Q$  by  $\sigma(w) := s_{\sigma(i_1)} s_{\sigma(i_2)} \cdots s_{\sigma(i_\ell)}$  for  $w = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_\ell} \in W_Q$ . We define the subgroup  $W_Q^\sigma$  of  $W_Q$  by

$$W_Q^\sigma := \{w \in W \mid \sigma(w) = w\}.$$

Then we have the following result. (See [13, Chapter 13]).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $Q$  be a Dynkin  $(A, D, E)$  quiver and  $W_Q$  the Weyl group of  $Q$ . Let  $Q' = Q$  if  $Q$  is type  $D_{2n}, E_7$  and  $E_8$ . Otherwise, let  $Q'$  be a quiver, respectively, given by the following type.*

$Q$	$A_{2n-1}, A_{2n}$	$D_{2n+1}$	$E_6$
$Q'$	$B_n$	$B_{2n}$	$F_4$

*Then  $W_Q^\sigma$  is isomorphic to  $W_{Q'}$ .*

We call the quiver  $Q'$  given in Theorem 1 the *folding quiver* of  $Q$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $Q$  be a quiver of type  $A_5$ . Then one can check that  $W_Q^\sigma$  is given by  $\langle s_1, (s_2 s_4), (s_3 s_5) \rangle$  and this group is isomorphic to  $W_{Q'}$ , where  $Q'$  is a quiver of type  $B_3$ .

**2.3. Support  $\tau$ -tilting modules.** The notion of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules was introduced in [2], as a generalization of tilting modules. We refer to [2, 21] for several nice properties of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules.

Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional algebra and we denote by  $\tau$  the AR translation [6].

**Definition 3.** We call a  $\Lambda$ -module  $X$   *$\tau$ -tilting* if  $X$  is  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, \tau X) = 0$  and  $|X| = |\Lambda|$ , where  $|X|$  denotes the number of non-isomorphic indecomposable direct summands of  $X$ .

Moreover, we call a  $\Lambda$ -module  $X$  *support  $\tau$ -tilting* if there exists an idempotent  $e$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $X$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $(\Lambda/\langle e \rangle)$ -module.

We denote by  $\text{stilt } \Lambda$  the set of isomorphism classes of basic support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -modules.

*Remark 4.* We note that support  $\tau$ -tilting modules can be described as pairs. These definitions are essentially the same.

Now let  $Q$  be a Dynkin quiver with  $Q_0 = \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\Lambda$  the preprojective algebra of  $Q$ . We denote by  $I_i := \Lambda(1 - e_i)\Lambda$  for  $i \in Q_0$ . We denote by  $\langle I_1, \dots, I_n \rangle$  the set of ideals of  $\Lambda$  which can be written as

$$I_{i_1} I_{i_2} \cdots I_{i_k}$$

for some  $k \geq 0$  and  $i_1, \dots, i_k \in Q_0$ .

Then the following result plays an important role in this note.

**Theorem 5.** [9, 25] *Under the above notation,*

- (a) *There exists a bijection  $W_Q \rightarrow \langle I_1, \dots, I_n \rangle$ , which is given by  $w \mapsto I_w = I_{i_1} I_{i_2} \cdots I_{i_k}$  for any reduced expression  $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ .*
- (b) *It gives a bijection between the elements of the Weyl group  $W_Q$  and the set  $\text{stilt } \Lambda$  of isomorphism classes of basic support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -modules.*

We remark that the above ideals  $I_w$  are tilting modules in the case of non-Dynkin type in [20, 9].

**2.4. Silting complexes.** Silting complexes are a generalization of tilting complexes, which were introduced by Keller-Vossieck [23]. They were originally invented as a tool for studying tilting complexes. Nonetheless, silting complexes have turned out to have deep connections with several important complexes such as  $t$ -structures [10, 24, 12, 22].

We recall the definition of silting complexes as follows.

**Definition 6.** Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional algebra and  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$  the bounded homotopy category of the finitely generated projective  $\Lambda$ -modules.

- (a) We call a complex  $P$  in  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$  *presilting* (respectively, *pretilting*) if it satisfies  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)}(P, P[i]) = 0$  for any  $i > 0$  (respectively,  $i \neq 0$ ).
- (b) We call a complex  $P$  in  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$  *silting* (respectively, *tilting*) if it is presilting (respectively, pretilting) and the smallest thick subcategory containing  $P$  is  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$ .

We denote by  $\text{silt } \Lambda$  (respectively,  $\text{tilt } \Lambda$ ) the set of non-isomorphic basic silting (respectively, tilting) complexes in  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$ .

For complexes  $P$  and  $Q$  of  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$ , we write  $P \geq Q$  if  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)}(P, Q[i]) = 0$  for any  $i > 0$ . Then the relation  $\geq$  gives a partial order on  $\text{silt } \Lambda$  [4, Theorem 2.11] (cf. [17]).

Moreover, a complex  $T \in \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Lambda)$  is called *2-term* provided it is concerned in the degree 0 and  $-1$ . We denote by  $2\text{-silt } \Lambda$  (respectively,  $2\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ ) the subset of  $\text{silt } \Lambda$  (respectively,  $\text{tilt } \Lambda$ ) consisting of 2-term complexes. Note that a complex  $T$  is 2-term if and only if  $\Lambda \geq T \geq \Lambda[1]$ .

Then we have the following nice correspondence.

**Theorem 7.** [2, Theorem 3.2] *Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional algebra. There exists a bijection*

$$\text{stilt } \Lambda \leftrightarrow 2\text{-silt } \Lambda.$$

By the above correspondence, we can give a description of 2-term silting complexes by calculating support  $\tau$ -tilting modules, which is much simpler than calculations of silting complexes.

From now on, let  $Q$  be a Dynkin quiver and  $\Lambda$  the preprojective algebra of  $Q$ . Then, as a corollary of Theorem 5 and 7, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 8.** *We have a bijection*

$$W_Q \leftrightarrow 2\text{-silt } \Lambda.$$

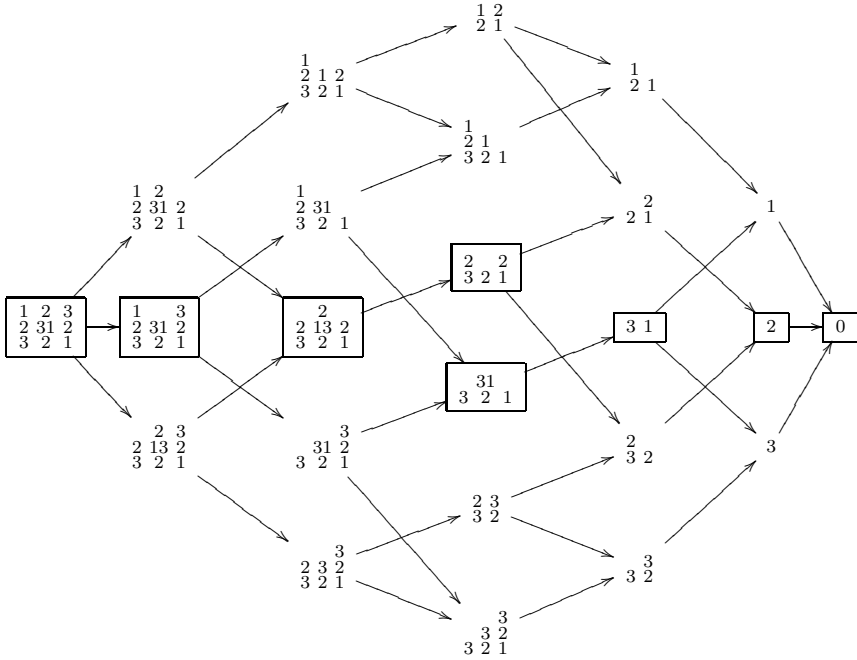
Thus we can parameterize 2-term silting complexes by the Weyl group. Moreover, we can describe 2-term tilting complexes in terms of the Weyl group by the following proposition.

**Proposition 9.** *Let  $\nu := D\text{Hom}_\Lambda(-, \Lambda)$  the Nakayama functor of  $\Lambda$  and  $\sigma : Q_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  the Nakayama permutation of  $\Lambda$ . Then  $\nu(I_w) \cong I_w$  if and only if  $\sigma(w) = w$ . In particular, We have a bijection*

$$W_Q^\sigma \leftrightarrow 2\text{-tilt } \Lambda.$$

Then by Theorem 1, we can understand  $W_Q^\sigma$  as another type of the Weyl group.

**Example 10.** Let  $Q$  be a quiver of type  $A_3$  and  $\Lambda$  the preprojective algebra of  $Q$ . Then the support  $\tau$ -tilting quiver of  $\Lambda$  ([2, Definition 2.29]) is given as follows.



The framed modules indicate  $\nu$ -stable modules [26] (i.e.  $I_w \cong \nu(I_w)$ ), which is equivalent to say that  $\sigma(w) = w$  by Proposition 9. Hence Theorem 1 implies that these modules correspond to the subgroup  $W_Q^\sigma = \langle (s_1 s_3), s_2 \rangle$  and it is isomorphic to the Weyl group of type  $B_2$ .

Next we use (silting) mutation. Let  $\Lambda = X \oplus Y$ . We denote by  $\mu_X(\Lambda)$  the left mutation of  $\Lambda$  with respect to  $X$ . It is not necessarily tilting in general (cf.[1]). However, if it is tilting, then we have the following nice result.

**Proposition 11.** *Assume that  $\mu_X(\Lambda)$  is a tilting complex, then we have an isomorphism*

$$\mathrm{End}_{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj}\Lambda)}(\mu_X(\Lambda)) \cong \Lambda.$$

Togher with this proposition, the finiteness of 2-silt  $\Lambda$  implies that *tilting-discreteness* of  $\Lambda$  and we conclude that any tilting complex is obtained from  $\Lambda$  by iterated mutation (see [3]). Then we extend Proposition 9 and obtain the following consequence.

**Theorem 12.** *Let  $Q$  be a Dynkin quiver,  $\Lambda$  the preprojective algebra of  $Q$  and  $Q'$  the folding quiver of  $Q$ . We denote the braid group by  $B_{Q'}$ . Then we have a bijection*

$$B_{Q'} \leftrightarrow \text{tilt } \Lambda.$$

Thus we can parametrize any tilting complex by the braid group.

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