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## ON THE STRUCTURE OF TRIANGULATED CATEGORIES WITH FINITELY MANY INDECOMPOSABLES

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**ABSTRACT.** — We study the problem of classifying triangulated categories with finite-dimensional morphism spaces and finitely many indecomposables over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . We obtain a new proof of the following result due to Xiao and Zhu: the Auslander-Reiten quiver of such a category  $\mathcal{T}$  is of the form  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  where  $\Delta$  is a disjoint union of simply-laced Dynkin diagrams and  $G$  a weakly admissible group of automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ . Then we prove that for ‘most’ groups  $G$ , the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard, *i.e.*  $k$ -linearly equivalent to an orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$ . This happens in particular when  $\mathcal{T}$  is maximal  $d$ -Calabi-Yau with  $d \geq 2$ . Moreover, if  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard and algebraic, we can even construct a triangle equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and the corresponding orbit category. Finally we give a sufficient condition for the category of projectives of a Frobenius category to be triangulated. This allows us to construct non standard 1-Calabi-Yau categories using deformed preprojective algebras of generalized Dynkin type.

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RÉSUMÉ (*Sur la structure des catégories triangulées*). — Cet article traite du problème de classification des catégories triangulées sur un corps algébriquement clos  $k$  dont les espaces de morphismes sont de dimension finie et avec un nombre fini d'indécomposables. Nous obtenons une nouvelle preuve du résultat suivant dû à Xiao et Zhu : le carquois d'Auslander-Reiten d'une telle catégorie  $\mathcal{T}$  est de la forme  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  où  $\Delta$  est une union disjointe de diagrammes de Dynkin simplement lacés et  $G$  est un groupe d'automorphismes de  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  faiblement admissible. Nous montrons ensuite que pour 'presque' tous groupes  $G$ , la catégorie  $\mathcal{T}$  est standard, c'est-à-dire  $k$ -linéairement équivalente à une catégorie d'orbites  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$ . C'est en particulier le cas lorsque  $\mathcal{T}$  est maximale  $d$ -Calabi-Yau avec  $d \geq 2$ . De plus, si  $\mathcal{T}$  est standard et algébrique, nous pouvons même construire une équivalence triangulée entre  $\mathcal{T}$  et la catégorie d'orbites correspondante. Nous donnons finalement une condition suffisante pour que la catégorie de projectifs d'une catégorie de Frobenius soit triangulée. Cela nous permet de construire des catégories 1-Calabi-Yau non standard en utilisant les algèbres préprojectives déformées de type Dynkin généralisé.

## Introduction

Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field and  $\mathcal{T}$  a small Krull-Remak-Schmidt  $k$ -linear triangulated category (see [47]). We assume that

a)  $\mathcal{T}$  is *Hom-finite*, i.e. the space  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, Y)$  is finite-dimensional for all objects  $X, Y$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

It follows that indecomposable objects of  $\mathcal{T}$  have local endomorphism rings and that each object of  $\mathcal{T}$  decomposes into a finite direct sum of indecomposables [17, 3.3]. We assume moreover that

b)  $\mathcal{T}$  is *locally finite*, i.e. for each indecomposable  $X$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , there are at most finitely many isoclasses of indecomposables  $Y$  such that  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, Y) \neq 0$ .

It was shown in [48] that condition b) implies its dual. Condition b) holds in particular if we have

b')  $\mathcal{T}$  is *additively finite*, i.e. there are only finitely many isomorphism classes of indecomposables in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The study of particular classes of such triangulated categories  $\mathcal{T}$  has a long history. Let us briefly recall some of its highlights:

1) If  $A$  is a representation-finite selfinjective algebra, then the stable category  $\mathcal{T}$  of finite-dimensional (right)  $A$ -modules satisfies our assumptions and is additively finite. The structure of the underlying  $k$ -linear category of  $\mathcal{T}$  was determined by C. Riedtmann in [39], [40], [41] and [42].

2) In [21], D. Happel showed that the bounded derived category of the category of finite-dimensional representations of a representation-finite quiver is locally finite and described its underlying  $k$ -linear category.

3) The stable category  $\underline{\text{CM}}(R)$  of Cohen-Macaulay modules over a commutative complete local Gorenstein isolated singularity  $R$  of dimension  $d$  is a Hom-finite triangulated category which is  $(d - 1)$ -Calabi-Yau (cf. for example [28] and [50]). In [4], M. Auslander and I. Reiten showed that if the dimension of  $R$  is 1, then the category  $\underline{\text{CM}}(R)$  is additively finite and computed the shape of the components of its Auslander-Reiten quiver.

4) The cluster category  $\mathcal{C}_Q$  of a finite quiver  $Q$  without oriented cycles was introduced in [12] if  $Q$  is an orientation of a Dynkin diagram of type  $\mathbb{A}$  and in [11] in the general case. The category  $\mathcal{C}_Q$  is triangulated [30] and, if  $Q$  is representation-finite, satisfies a) and b').

In a recent article [48], J. Xiao and B. Zhu determined the structure of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of a locally finite triangulated category. In this paper, we obtain the same result with a new proof in Section 4, namely that each connected component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is of the form  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ , where  $\Delta$  is a simply-laced Dynkin diagram and  $G$  is trivial or a weakly admissible group of automorphisms. Contrary to J. Xiao and B. Zhu, we do not discuss separately the case where the Auslander-Reiten contains a loop.

We are interested in the  $k$ -linear structure of  $\mathcal{T}$ . If the Auslander-Reiten quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$  is of the form  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , we show that the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard, *i.e.* it is equivalent to the mesh category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ . Then in Section 6, we prove that  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard if the number of vertices of  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  is strictly greater than the number of isoclasses of indecomposables of  $\text{mod } k\Delta$ . In the last section, using [8] we construct examples of non standard triangulated categories such that  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\Delta/\tau$ .

Finally, in the standard cases, we are interested in the triangulated structure of  $\mathcal{T}$ . For this, we need to make additional assumptions on  $\mathcal{T}$ . If the Auslander-Reiten quiver is of the form  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , and if  $\mathcal{T}$  is the base of a tower of triangulated categories [29], we show that there is a triangle equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and the derived category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$ . For the additively finite cases, we have to assume that  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard and algebraic in the sense of [31]. We then show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is (algebraically) triangle equivalent to the orbit category of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  under the action of a weakly admissible group of automorphisms. In particular, for each  $d \geq 2$ , the algebraic triangulated categories with finitely many indecomposables which are maximal Calabi-Yau of CY-dimension  $d$  are parametrized by the simply-laced Dynkin diagrams.

Our results apply in particular to many stable categories  $\underline{\text{mod}} A$  of representation-finite selfinjective algebras  $A$ . These algebras were classified up to stable equivalence by C. Riedtmann [40], [42] and H. Asashiba [1]. In [9], J. Białkowski and A. Skowroński give a necessary and sufficient condition

on these algebras so that their stable categories  $\underline{\text{mod}} A$  are Calabi-Yau. In [26] and [27], T. Holm and P. Jørgensen prove that certain stable categories  $\underline{\text{mod}} A$  are in fact  $d$ -cluster categories. These results can also be proved using our Corollary 7.3.

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 1, we prove that  $\mathcal{T}$  has Auslander-Reiten triangles. Section 2 is dedicated to definitions about stable valued translation quivers and admissible automorphisms groups [23], [24], [14]. We show in Section 3 that the Auslander-Reiten quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$  is a stable valued quiver and in Section 4, we reprove the result of J. Xiao and B. Zhu [48]: The Auslander-Reiten quiver is a disjoint union of quivers  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ , where  $\Delta$  is a Dynkin quiver of type  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$  or  $\mathbb{E}$ , and  $G$  a weakly admissible group of automorphisms. In Section 5, we construct a covering functor  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  using Riedtmann's method [39]. Then, in Section 6, we exhibit some combinatorial cases in which  $\mathcal{T}$  has to be standard, in particular when  $\mathcal{T}$  is maximal  $d$ -Calabi-Yau with  $d \geq 2$ . Section 7 is dedicated to the algebraic case. If  $\mathcal{T}$  is algebraic and standard, we can construct a triangle equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and an orbit category. If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -category such that  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  is a Frobenius category satisfying certain conditions, we will prove in Section 8 that  $\mathcal{P}$  has naturally a triangulated structure. This allows us to deduce in Section 9 that the category  $\text{proj } P^f(\Delta)$  of the projective modules over a deformed preprojective algebra of generalized Dynkin type [8] is naturally triangulated and to reduce the classification of the additively finite triangulated categories which are 1-Calabi-Yau to that of the deformed preprojective algebras in the sense of [8]. In particular, thanks to [8], we obtain the existence of non standard 1-Calabi-Yau categories in characteristic 2. Using our results and an extension of those of [8], Białkowski and Skowroński have recently proved [10] the existence of non standard 1-Calabi-Yau categories in characteristic 3. This is noteworthy since in characteristic different from 2, additively finite *module categories* are always standard [6].

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### Notation and terminology

We work over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . By a *triangulated category*, we mean a  $k$ -linear triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$ . We write  $S$  for the suspension functor of  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $U \xrightarrow{u} V \xrightarrow{v} W \xrightarrow{w} SU$  for a distinguished triangle. We say that  $\mathcal{T}$  is *Hom-finite* if for each pair  $X, Y$  of objects in  $\mathcal{T}$ , the space

$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, Y)$  is finite-dimensional over  $k$ . The category  $\mathcal{T}$  will be called a *Krull-Remak-Schmidt* category if each object is isomorphic to a finite direct sum of indecomposable objects with unicity (up to reordering) of this decomposition, and if the endomorphism ring of an indecomposable object is a local ring. This implies that idempotents of  $\mathcal{T}$  split, *i.e.* if  $e$  is an idempotent of  $X$ , then  $e = \sigma\rho$  where  $\sigma$  is a section and  $\rho$  is a retraction [22, I, 3.2]. The category  $\mathcal{T}$  will be called *locally finite* if for each indecomposable  $X$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , there are only finitely many isoclasses of indecomposables  $Y$  such that  $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, Y) \neq 0$ . This property is selfdual by [48, prop. 1.1].

The *Serre functor* will be denoted by  $\nu$  (see definition in Section 1). The *Auslander-Reiten translation* will always be denoted by  $\tau$  (Section 1).

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{T}'$  be two triangulated categories. An *S-functor*  $(F, \phi)$  is given by a  $k$ -linear functor  $F : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'$  and a functor isomorphism  $\phi$  between the functors  $F \circ S$  and  $S' \circ F$ , where  $S$  is the suspension of  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $S'$  the suspension of  $\mathcal{T}'$ . The notion of  $\nu$ -functor, or  $\tau$ -functor is then clear. A *triangle functor* is an *S-functor*  $(F, \phi)$  such that for each triangle  $U \xrightarrow{u} V \xrightarrow{v} W \xrightarrow{w} SU$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , the sequence  $FU \xrightarrow{Fu} FV \xrightarrow{Fv} FW \xrightarrow{\phi_U \circ Fw} S'FU$  is a triangle of  $\mathcal{T}'$ .

The category  $\mathcal{T}$  is *Calabi-Yau* if there exists an integer  $d > 0$  such that we have a triangle functor isomorphism between  $S^d$  and  $\nu$ . We say that  $\mathcal{T}$  is *maximal  $d$ -Calabi-Yau* if  $\mathcal{T}$  is  $d$ -Calabi-Yau and if for each covering functor  $\mathcal{T}' \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  with  $\mathcal{T}'$   $d$ -Calabi-Yau, we have a  $k$ -linear equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{T}'$ .

For an additive  $k$ -category  $\mathcal{E}$ , we write  $\mathrm{mod} \mathcal{E}$  for the category of contravariant finitely presented functors from  $\mathcal{E}$  to  $\mathrm{mod} k$  (Section 8), and if the projectives of  $\mathrm{mod} \mathcal{E}$  coincide with the injectives,  $\underline{\mathrm{mod}} \mathcal{E}$  will be the *stable category*.

## 1. Serre duality and Auslander-Reiten triangles

**1.1. Serre duality.** — Recall from [38] that a *Serre functor* for  $\mathcal{T}$  is an autoequivalence  $\nu : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  together with an isomorphism  $D \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, ?) \simeq \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(?, \nu X)$  for each  $X \in \mathcal{T}$ , where  $D$  is the duality  $\mathrm{Hom}_k(?, k)$ .

**THEOREM 1.1.** — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a Krull-Remak-Schmidt, locally finite triangulated category. Then  $\mathcal{T}$  has a Serre functor  $\nu$ .*

*Proof.* — Let  $X$  be an object of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We write  $X^\wedge$  for the functor  $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(?, X)$  and  $F$  for the functor  $D \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, ?)$ . Using the lemma [38, I.1.6] we just have to show that  $F$  is representable. Indeed, the category  $\mathcal{T}^{\mathrm{op}}$  is locally finite as well. The proof is in two steps.

*Step 1: The functor  $F$  is finitely presented.* — Let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_r$  be representatives of the isoclasses of indecomposable objects of  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $FY_i$  is not zero. The space  $\mathrm{Hom}(Y_i^\wedge, F)$  is finite-dimensional over  $k$ . Indeed it is isomorphic

to  $FY_i$  by the Yoneda lemma. Therefore, the functor  $\mathrm{Hom}(Y_i^\wedge, F) \otimes_k Y_i^\wedge$  is representable. We get an epimorphism from a representable functor to  $F$ :

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathrm{Hom}(Y_i^\wedge, F) \otimes_k Y_i^\wedge \longrightarrow F.$$

By applying the same argument to its kernel we get a projective presentation of  $F$  of the form  $U^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$ , with  $U$  and  $V$  in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

*Step 2: A cohomological functor  $H : \mathcal{T}^{\mathrm{op}} \rightarrow \mathrm{mod} k$  is representable if and only if it is finitely presented.* — Let

$$U^\wedge \xrightarrow{u^\wedge} V^\wedge \xrightarrow{\phi} H \rightarrow 0$$

be a presentation of  $H$ . We form a triangle  $U \xrightarrow{u} V \xrightarrow{v} W \xrightarrow{w} SU$ . We get an exact sequence

$$U^\wedge \xrightarrow{u^\wedge} V^\wedge \xrightarrow{v^\wedge} W^\wedge \xrightarrow{w^\wedge} (SU)^\wedge.$$

Since the composition of  $\phi$  with  $u^\wedge$  is zero and  $H$  is cohomological, the morphism  $\phi$  factors through  $v^\wedge$ . But  $H$  is the cokernel of  $u^\wedge$ , so  $v^\wedge$  factors through  $\phi$ . We obtain a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} U^\wedge & \xrightarrow{u^\wedge} & V^\wedge & \xrightarrow{v^\wedge} & W^\wedge \xrightarrow{w^\wedge} SU. \\ & & \downarrow \phi & \nearrow i & \\ & & H & \nwarrow \phi' & \end{array}$$

The equality  $\phi' \circ i \circ \phi = \phi' \circ v^\wedge = \phi$  implies that  $\phi' \circ i$  is the identity of  $H$  because  $\phi$  is an epimorphism. We deduce that  $H$  is a direct factor of  $W^\wedge$ . The composition  $i \circ \phi' = e^\wedge$  is an idempotent. Then  $e \in \mathrm{End}(W)$  splits and we get  $H = W'^\wedge$  for a direct factor  $W'$  of  $W$ .  $\square$

## 1.2. Auslander-Reiten triangles

DEFINITION 1.2.1 (see [21]). — A triangle  $X \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} SX$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  is called an *Auslander-Reiten triangle* or *AR-triangle* if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (AR1)  $X$  and  $Z$  are indecomposable objects;
- (AR2)  $w \neq 0$ ;
- (AR3) if  $f : W \rightarrow Z$  is not a retraction, there exists  $f' : W \rightarrow Y$  such that  $vf' = f$ ;
- (AR3') if  $g : X \rightarrow V$  is not a section, there exists  $g' : Y \rightarrow V$  such that  $g'u = g$ .

Let us recall that, if (AR1) and (AR2) hold, the conditions (AR3) and (AR3') are equivalent. We say that a triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$  has *Auslander-Reiten triangles* if, for any indecomposable object  $Z$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , there exists an AR-triangle ending at  $Z$ :  $X \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} SX$ . In this case, the AR-triangle is unique up to triangle isomorphism inducing the identity of  $Z$ .

The following proposition is proved in [38, Prop. I.2.3].

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a Krull-Remak-Schmidt, locally finite triangulated category. Then the category  $\mathcal{T}$  has Auslander-Reiten triangles.*

The composition  $\tau = S^{-1}\nu$  is called the *Auslander-Reiten translation*. An AR-triangle of  $\mathcal{T}$  ending at  $Z$  has the form

$$\tau Z \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} \nu Z.$$

## 2. Valued translation quivers and automorphism groups

**2.1. Translation quivers.** — We recall some definitions and notations concerning quivers [14]. A quiver  $Q = (Q_0, Q_1, s, t)$  is given by the set  $Q_0$  of its vertices, the set  $Q_1$  of its arrows, a source map  $s$  and a tail map  $t$ . If  $x \in Q_0$  is a vertex, we denote by  $x^+$  the set of direct successors of  $x$ , and by  $x^-$  the set of its direct predecessors. We say that  $Q$  is *locally finite* if for each vertex  $x \in Q_0$ , there are finitely many arrows ending at  $x$  and starting at  $x$  (in this case,  $x^+$  and  $x^-$  are finite sets). The quiver  $Q$  is said to be *without double arrows*, if two different arrows cannot have the same tail and source.

**DEFINITION 2.1.1.** — A *stable translation quiver*  $(Q, \tau)$  is a locally finite quiver without double arrows with a bijection  $\tau : Q_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  such that

$$(\tau x)^+ = x^- \quad \text{for each vertex } x.$$

For each arrow  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$ , let  $\sigma\alpha$  be the unique arrow  $\tau y \rightarrow x$ .

Note that a stable translation quiver can have loops.

**DEFINITION 2.1.2.** — A *valued translation quiver*  $(Q, \tau, a)$  is a stable translation quiver  $(Q, \tau)$  with a map  $a : Q_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$a(\alpha) = a(\sigma\alpha) \quad \text{for each arrow } \alpha.$$

If  $\alpha$  is an arrow from  $x$  to  $y$ , we write  $a_{xy}$  instead of  $a(\alpha)$ .

**DEFINITION 2.1.3.** — Let  $\Delta$  be an oriented tree. The *repetition of  $\Delta$*  is the quiver  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  defined as follows:

- $(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)_0 = \mathbb{Z} \times \Delta_0$ ,



- $(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)_1 = \mathbb{Z} \times \Delta_1 \cup \sigma(\mathbb{Z} \times \Delta_1)$  with arrows

$$(n, \alpha) : (n, x) \longrightarrow (n, y) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(n, \alpha) : (n-1, y) \rightarrow (n, x)$$

for each arrow  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  of  $\Delta$ .

The quiver  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  with the translation  $\tau(n, x) = (n-1, x)$  is clearly a stable translation quiver which does not depend (up to isomorphism) on the orientation of  $\Delta$  (see [39]).

## 2.2. Groups of weakly admissible automorphisms

DEFINITION 2.2.1. — An automorphism group  $G$  of a quiver is said to be *admissible* [39] if no orbit of  $G$  intersects a set of the form  $\{x\} \cup x^+$  or  $\{x\} \cup x^-$  in more than one point. It said to be *weakly admissible* [14] if, for each  $g \in G - \{1\}$  and for each  $x \in Q_0$ , we have  $x^+ \cap (gx)^+ = \emptyset$ .

Note that an admissible automorphism group is a weakly admissible automorphism group. Let us fix a numbering and an orientation of the simply-laced Dynkin trees.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathbb{A}_n : & 1 & \longrightarrow & 2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & n-1 & \longrightarrow & n \\
 & & & & & & & \swarrow & & \\
 \mathbb{D}_n : & 1 & \longrightarrow & 2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & n-2 & & \\
 & & & & & & & \swarrow & \nwarrow & \\
 & & & & & & & n-1 & & n \\
 & & & & & & & \uparrow & & \\
 \mathbb{E}_n : & 1 & \longleftarrow & 2 & \longleftarrow & 3 & \longrightarrow & 5 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & n
 \end{array}$$

Let  $\Delta$  be a Dynkin tree. We define an automorphism  $S$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  as follows:

- if  $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$ , then  $S(p, q) = (p+q, n+1-q)$ ;
- if  $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_n$  with  $n$  even, then  $S = \tau^{-n+1}$ ;
- if  $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_n$  with  $n$  odd, then  $S = \tau^{-n+1}\phi$  where  $\phi$  is the automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}_n$  which exchanges  $n$  and  $n-1$ ;
- if  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_6$ , then  $S = \phi\tau^{-6}$  where  $\phi$  is the automorphism of  $\mathbb{E}_6$  which exchanges 2 and 5, and 1 and 6;
- if  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_7$ , then  $S = \tau^{-9}$ ;
- and if  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_8$ , then  $S = \tau^{-15}$ .

In [39, Anhang 2], Riedtmann describes all admissible automorphism groups of Dynkin diagrams. Here is a more precise result in which we describe all weakly admissible automorphism groups of Dynkin diagrams.

**THEOREM 2.1.** — *Let  $\Delta$  be a Dynkin tree and  $G$  a non trivial group of weakly admissible automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ . Then  $G$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and here is a list of its possible generators:*

- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$  with  $n$  odd, possible generators are  $\tau^r$  and  $\phi\tau^r$  with  $r \geq 1$ , where  $\phi = \tau^{\frac{1}{2}(n+1)}S$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  of order 2;*
- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$  with  $n$  even, then possible generators are  $\rho^r$ , where  $r \geq 1$  and where  $\rho = \tau^{\frac{1}{2}n}S$  (since  $\rho^2 = \tau^{-1}$ ,  $\tau^r$  is a possible generator);*
- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_n$  with  $n \geq 5$ , then possible generators are  $\tau^r$  and  $\tau^r\phi$ , where  $r \geq 1$  and where  $\phi = (n-1, n)$  is the automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}_n$  exchanging  $n$  and  $n-1$ ;*
- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_4$ , then possible generators are  $\phi\tau^r$ , where  $r \geq 1$  and where  $\phi$  belongs to  $\mathfrak{S}_3$  the permutation group on three elements seen as subgroup of automorphisms of  $\mathbb{D}_4$ ;*
- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_6$ , then possible generators are  $\tau^r$  and  $\phi\tau^r$ , where  $r \geq 1$  and where  $\phi$  is the automorphism of  $\mathbb{E}_6$  exchanging 2 and 5, and 1 and 6;*
- *if  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_n$  with  $n = 7, 8$ , possible generators are  $\tau^r$ , where  $r \geq 1$ .*

*The unique weakly admissible automorphism group which is not admissible exists for  $\mathbb{A}_n$ ,  $n$  even, and is generated by  $\rho$ .*

### 3. Property of the Auslander-Reiten translation

We define the Auslander-Reiten quiver  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{T}}$  of the category  $\mathcal{T}$  as a valued quiver  $(\Gamma, a)$ . The vertices are the isoclasses of indecomposable objects. Given two indecomposable objects  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , we draw one arrow from  $x = [X]$  to  $y = [Y]$  if the vector space  $\mathcal{R}(X, Y)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, Y)$  is not zero, where  $\mathcal{R}(?, ?)$  is the radical of the bifunctor  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(?, ?)$ . A morphism of  $\mathcal{R}(X, Y)$  which does not vanish in the quotient  $\mathcal{R}(X, Y)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, Y)$  will be called *irreducible*. Then we put

$$a_{xy} = \dim_k \mathcal{R}(X, Y)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, Y).$$

Remark that the fact that  $\mathcal{T}$  is locally finite implies that its AR-quiver is locally finite. The aim of this section is to show that  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{T}}$  with the translation  $\tau$  defined in the first part is a valued translation quiver. In other words, we want to show the proposition:

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** — *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are indecomposable objects of  $\mathcal{T}$ , we have*

$$\dim_k \mathcal{R}(X, Y)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, Y) = \dim_k \mathcal{R}(\tau Y, X)/\mathcal{R}^2(\tau Y, X).$$

Let us recall some definitions [22].

**DEFINITION 3.0.2.** — A morphism  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is called *sink morphism* if the following hold

- 1)  $g$  is not a retraction;
- 2) if  $h : M \rightarrow Z$  is not a retraction, then  $h$  factors through  $g$ ;
- 3) if  $u$  is an endomorphism of  $Y$  which satisfies  $gu = g$ , then  $u$  is an automorphism.

Dually, a morphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called *source morphism* if the following hold:

- 1)  $f$  is not a section;
- 2) if  $h : X \rightarrow M$  is not a section, then  $h$  factors through  $f$ ;
- 3) if  $u$  is an endomorphism of  $Y$  which satisfies  $uf = f$ , then  $u$  is an automorphism.

These conditions imply that  $X$  and  $Z$  are indecomposable. Obviously, if  $X \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} SX$  is an AR-triangle, then  $u$  is a source morphism and  $v$  is a sink morphism. Conversely, if  $v \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Y, Z)$  is a sink morphism (or if  $u \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, Y)$  is a source morphism), then there exists an AR-triangle  $X \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} SX$  (see [22, I, 4.5]).

The following lemma (and the dual statement) is proved in [43, 2.2.5].

LEMMA 3.2. — *Let  $g$  be a morphism from  $Y$  to  $Z$ , where  $Z$  is indecomposable and  $Y = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r Y_i^{n_i}$  is the decomposition of  $Y$  into indecomposables. Then the morphism  $g$  is a sink morphism if and only if the following hold:*

- 1) *For each  $i = 1, \dots, r$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n_i$ , the restriction  $g_{i,j}$  of  $g$  to the  $j$ -th component of the  $i$ -th isotopic part of  $Y$  belongs to the radical  $\mathcal{R}(Y_i, Z)$ .*
- 2) *For each  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , the family  $(\bar{g}_{i,j})_{j=1, \dots, n_i}$  forms a  $k$ -basis of the space  $\mathcal{R}(Y_i, Z)/\mathcal{R}^2(Y_i, Z)$ .*
- 3) *If  $h \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Y', Z)$  is irreducible and  $Y'$  indecomposable, then  $h$  factors through  $g$  and  $Y'$  is isomorphic to  $Y_i$  for some  $i$ .*

Using this lemma, it is easy to see that Proposition 3.1 holds. Thus, the Auslander-Reiten quiver  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{T}} = (\Gamma, \tau, a)$  of the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is a valued translation quiver.

#### 4. Structure of the Auslander-Reiten quiver

This section is dedicated to another proof of a theorem due to J. Xiao and B. Zhu:

THEOREM 4.1 (see [49]). — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a Krull-Remak-Schmidt, locally finite triangulated category. Let  $\Gamma$  be a connected component of the AR-quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then there exists a Dynkin tree  $\Delta$  of type  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$  or  $\mathbb{E}$ , a weakly admissible automorphism group  $G$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  and an isomorphism of valued translation quivers*

$$\theta : \Gamma \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G.$$

The underlying graph of the tree  $\Delta$  is unique up to isomorphism (it is called the type of  $\Gamma$ ), and the group  $G$  is unique up to conjugacy in  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ . In particular, if  $\mathcal{T}$  has an infinite number of isoclasses of indecomposable objects, then  $G$  is trivial, and  $\Gamma$  is the repetition quiver  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ .

**4.1. Auslander-Reiten quivers with a loop.** — In this section, we suppose that the Auslander-Reiten quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$  contains a loop, i.e. there exists an arrow with same tail and source. Thus, we suppose that there exists an indecomposable  $X$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  such that

$$\dim_k \mathcal{R}(X, X)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, X) \geq 1.$$

**PROPOSITION 4.2.** — *Let  $X$  be an indecomposable object of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Suppose that we have  $\dim_k \mathcal{R}(X, X)/\mathcal{R}^2(X, X) \geq 1$ . Then  $\tau X$  is isomorphic to  $X$ .*

To prove this, we need a lemma.

**LEMMA 4.3.** — *Let*

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_n} X_{n+1}$$

*be a sequence of irreducible morphisms between indecomposable objects with  $n \geq 2$ . If the composition  $f_n \circ f_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1$  is zero, then there exists an  $i$  such that  $\tau^{-1}X_i$  is isomorphic to  $X_{i+2}$ .*

*Proof.* — The proof proceeds by induction on  $n$ . Let us show the assertion for  $n = 2$ . Suppose  $X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} X_3$  is a sequence such that  $f_2 \circ f_1 = 0$ . We can then construct an AR-triangle:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X_1 & \xrightarrow{(f_1, f)^T} & X_2 \oplus X & \xrightarrow{(g_1, g_2)} & \tau^{-1}X_1 \longrightarrow SX_1 \\ & & \downarrow (f_2, 0) & \swarrow \beta & \\ & & X_3 & & \end{array}$$

The composition  $f_2 \circ f_1$  is zero, thus the morphism  $f_2$  factors through  $g_1$ . As the morphisms  $g_1$  and  $f_2$  are irreducible, we conclude that  $\beta$  is a retraction, and  $X_3$  a direct summand of  $\tau^{-1}X_1$ . But  $X_1$  is indecomposable, so  $\beta$  is an isomorphism between  $X_3$  and  $\tau^{-1}X_1$ .

Now suppose that the property holds for an integer  $n - 1$  and that we have  $f_n \circ f_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1 = 0$ . If the composition  $f_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1$  is zero, the proposition holds by induction. So we can suppose that for  $i \leq n - 2$ , the objects  $\tau^{-1}X_i$  and  $X_{i+2}$  are not isomorphic. We show now by induction on  $i$  that for each  $i \leq n - 1$ , there exists a map  $\beta_i : \tau^{-1}X_i \rightarrow X_{n+1}$  such

that  $f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_{i+1} = \beta_i g_i$  where  $g_i : X_{i+1} \rightarrow \tau^{-1}X_i$  is an irreducible morphism. For  $i = 1$ , we construct an AR-triangle:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X_1 & \xrightarrow{(f_1, f'_1)^T} & X_2 \oplus X'_1 & \xrightarrow{(g_1, g'_1)} & \tau^{-1}X_1 \longrightarrow SX_1 \\ & & \downarrow (f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_2, 0) & \swarrow \beta_1 & \\ & & X_{n+1} & & \end{array}$$

As the composition  $f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_1$  is zero, we have the factorization  $f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_2 = \beta_1 g_1$ .

Now for  $i$ , as  $\tau^{-1}X_{i-1}$  is not isomorphic to  $X_{i+1}$ , there exists an AR-triangle of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X_i & \xrightarrow{(g_{i-1}, f_i, f'_i)^T} & \tau^{-1}X_{i-1} \oplus X_{i+1} \oplus X'_i & \xrightarrow{(g''_i, g_i, g'_i)} & \tau^{-1}X_i \longrightarrow SX_i \\ & & \downarrow (-\beta_{i-1}, f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_{i+1}, 0) & \swarrow \beta_i & \\ & & X_{n+1} & & \end{array}$$

By induction,  $-\beta_{i-1}g_{i-1} + f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_{i+1}f_i$  is zero, thus  $f_n \circ \cdots \circ f_{i+1}$  factors through  $g_i$ . This property is true for  $i = n - 1$ , so we have a map  $\beta_{n-1} : \tau^{-1}X_{n-1} \rightarrow X_{n+1}$  such that  $\beta_{n-1}g_{n-1} = f_n$ . As  $g_{n-1}$  and  $f_n$  are irreducible, we conclude that  $\beta_{n-1}$  is an isomorphism between  $X_{n+1}$  and  $\tau^{-1}X_{n-1}$ .  $\square$

Now we are able to prove Proposition 4.2. There exists an irreducible map  $f : X \rightarrow X$ . Suppose that  $X$  and  $\tau X$  are not isomorphic. Then from the previous lemma, the endomorphism  $f^n$  is non zero for each  $n$ . But since  $\mathcal{T}$  is a Krull-Remak-Schmidt, locally finite category, a power of the radical  $\mathcal{R}(X, X)$  vanishes. This is a contradiction.

**4.2. Proof of Theorem 4.1.** — Let  $\tilde{\Gamma} = (\tilde{\Gamma}_0, \tilde{\Gamma}_1, \tilde{a})$  be the valued quiver obtained from  $\Gamma$  by removing the loops, *i.e.* we have

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_0 = \Gamma_0, \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_1 = \{\alpha \in \Gamma_1 \text{ such that } s(\alpha) \neq t(\alpha)\}, \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{a} = a|_{\tilde{\Gamma}_1}.$$

LEMMA 4.4. — *The quiver  $\tilde{\Gamma} = (\tilde{\Gamma}_0, \tilde{\Gamma}_1, \tilde{a})$  with the translation  $\tau$  is a valued translation quiver without loop.*

*Proof.* — We have to check that the map  $\sigma$  is well-defined. But from Proposition 4.2, if  $\alpha$  is a loop on a vertex  $x$ ,  $\sigma(\alpha)$  is the unique arrow from  $\tau x = x$  to  $x$ , *i.e.*  $\sigma(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Thus  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  is obtained from  $\Gamma$  by removing some  $\sigma$ -orbits and it keeps the structure of stable valued translation quiver.  $\square$

Now, we can apply Riedtmann's Struktursatz [39] and the result of Happel-Preiser-Ringel [24]. There exist a tree  $\Delta$  and an admissible automorphism group  $G$  (which may be trivial) of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  such that  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  as a valued translation quiver. The underlying graph of the tree  $\Delta$  is then unique up to isomorphism and the group  $G$  is unique up to conjugacy in  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ . Let  $x$  be a vertex of  $\Delta$ . We write  $\bar{x}$  for the image of  $x$  by the map:

$$\Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\Delta \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G \simeq \tilde{\Gamma} \hookrightarrow \Gamma.$$

Let  $C : \Delta_0 \times \Delta_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be the matrix defined as follows:

- $C(x, y) = -a_{\bar{x}\bar{y}}$  (resp.  $-a_{\bar{y}\bar{x}}$ ) if there exists an arrow from  $x$  to  $y$  (resp. from  $y$  to  $x$ ) in  $\Delta$ ,
- $C(x, x) = 2 - a_{\bar{x}\bar{x}}$ ,
- $C(x, y) = 0$  otherwise.

The matrix  $C$  is symmetric; it is a 'generalized Cartan matrix' in the sense of [23]. If we remove the loops from the 'underlying graph of  $C$ ' (in the sense of [23]), we get the underlying graph of  $\Delta$ .

In order to apply the result of Happel-Preiser-Ringel [23, Section 2], we have to show:

LEMMA 4.5. — *The set  $\Delta_0$  of vertices of  $\Delta$  is finite.*

*Proof.* — Riedtmann's construction of  $\Delta$  is the following. We fix a vertex  $x_0$  in  $\tilde{\Gamma}_0$ . Then the vertices of  $\Delta$  are the paths of  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  beginning on  $x_0$  and which do not contain subpaths of the form  $\alpha\sigma(\alpha)$ , where  $\alpha$  is in  $\tilde{\Gamma}_1$ . Now suppose that  $\Delta_0$  is an infinite set. Then for each  $n$ , there exists a sequence

$$x_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} x_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} x_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} x_n$$

such that  $\tau x_{i+2} \neq x_i$ . Then there exist some indecomposables  $X_0, \dots, X_n$  such that the vector space  $\mathcal{R}(X_{i-1}, X_i)/\mathcal{R}^2(X_{i-1}, X_i)$  is not zero. Thus from Lemma 4.3, there exists irreducible morphisms  $f_i : X_{i-1} \rightarrow X_i$  such that the composition  $f_n \circ f_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1$  does not vanish. But the functor  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X_0, ?)$  has finite support. Thus there is an indecomposable  $Y$  which appears an infinite number of times in the sequence  $(X_i)_i$ . But since  $\mathcal{R}^N(Y, Y)$  vanishes for an  $N$ , we have a contradiction.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  a system of representatives of isoclasses of indecomposables of  $\mathcal{T}$ . For an indecomposable  $Y$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , we put

$$\ell(Y) = \sum_{M \in \mathcal{S}} \dim_k \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(M, Y).$$

This sum is finite since  $\mathcal{T}$  is locally finite.

LEMMA 4.6. — For  $x$  in  $\Delta_0$ , we write  $d_x = \ell(\bar{x})$ . Then for each  $x \in \Delta_0$ , we have

$$\sum_{y \in \Delta_0} d_y C_{xy} = 2.$$

*Proof.* — Let  $X$  and  $U$  be indecomposables of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Let

$$X \xrightarrow{u} Y \xrightarrow{v} Z \xrightarrow{w} SX$$

be an AR-triangle. We write  $(U, ?)$  for the cohomological functor  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(U, ?)$ . Thus, we have a long exact sequence

$$(U, S^{-1}Z) \xrightarrow{S^{-1}w_*} (U, X) \xrightarrow{u_*} (U, Y) \xrightarrow{v_*} (U, Z) \xrightarrow{w_*} (U, SX).$$

Let  $S_Z(U)$  be the image of the map  $w_*$ . We have the exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow S_{S^{-1}Z}(U) \rightarrow (U, X) \xrightarrow{u_*} (U, Y) \xrightarrow{v_*} (U, Z) \xrightarrow{w_*} S_Z(U) \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus we have the equality

$$\dim_k S_Z(U) + \dim_k S_{S^{-1}Z}(U) + \dim_k(U, Y) = \dim_k(U, X) + \dim_k(U, Z).$$

If  $U$  is not isomorphic to  $Z$ , each map from  $U$  to  $Z$  is radical, thus  $S_Z(U)$  is zero. If  $U$  is isomorphic to  $Z$ , the map  $w_*$  factors through the radical of  $\text{End}(Z)$ , so  $S_Z(Z)$  is isomorphic to  $k$ . Then summing the previous equality when  $U$  runs over  $\mathcal{S}$ , we get

$$\ell(X) + \ell(Z) = \ell(Y) + 2.$$

Clearly  $\ell$  is  $\tau$ -invariant, thus  $\ell(Z)$  equals  $\ell(X)$ . If the decomposition of  $Y$  is of the form  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^r Y_i^{n_i}$ , we get

$$\ell(Y) = \sum_i n_i \ell(Y_i) = \sum_{i, X \rightarrow Y_i \in \tilde{\Gamma}} a_{XY_i} \ell(Y_i) + a_{XX} \ell(X).$$

We deduce the formula

$$2 = (2 - a_{XX})\ell(X) - \sum_{i, X \rightarrow Y_i \in \tilde{\Gamma}} a_{XY_i} \ell(Y_i).$$

Let  $x$  be a vertex of the tree  $\Delta$  and  $\bar{x}$  its image in  $\tilde{\Gamma}$ . Then an arrow  $\bar{x} \rightarrow Y$  in  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  comes from an arrow  $(x, 0) \rightarrow (y, 0)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  or from an arrow  $(x, 0) \rightarrow (y, -1)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , i.e. from an arrow  $(y, 0) \rightarrow (x, 0)$ . Indeed the projection  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  is a covering. From this we deduce the equality

$$2 = (2 - a_{\bar{x}\bar{x}})d_x - \sum_{y, x \rightarrow y \in \Delta} a_{\bar{x}\bar{y}}d_y - \sum_{y, y \rightarrow x \in \Delta} a_{\bar{y}\bar{x}}d_y = \sum_{y \in \Delta_0} d_y C_{xy}. \quad \square$$

Now we can prove Theorem 4.1. The matrix  $C$  is a ‘generalized Cartan matrix’. The previous lemma gives us a subadditive function which is not additive. Thus by [23], the underlying graph of  $C$  is of ‘generalized Dynkin type’. As  $C$  is symmetric, the graph is necessarily of type  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}$ , or  $\mathbb{L}$ . But this graph is the graph  $\Delta$  with the valuation  $a$ . We are done in the cases  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$ , or  $\mathbb{E}$ .

The case  $\mathbb{L}_n$  occurs when the AR-quiver contains at least one loop. We can see  $\mathbb{L}_n$  as  $\mathbb{A}_n$  with valuations on the vertices with a loop. Then, it is obvious that the automorphism groups of  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{L}_n$  are generated by  $\tau^r$  for an  $r \geq 1$ . But Proposition 4.2 tell us that a vertex  $x$  with a loop satisfies  $\tau x = x$ . Thus  $G$  is generated by  $\tau$  and the AR-quiver has the following form:

$$1 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} 2 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} 3 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} \cdots \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} n \curvearrowright$$

This quiver is isomorphic to the quiver  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_{2n}/G$  where  $G$  is the group generated by the automorphism  $\tau^n S = \rho$ .

The suspension functor  $S$  sends the indecomposables on indecomposables, thus it can be seen as an automorphism of the AR-quiver. It is exactly the automorphism  $S$  defined in Section 2.2.

As shown in [49], it follows from the results of [30] that for each Dynkin tree  $\Delta$  and for each weakly admissible group of automorphisms  $G$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , there exists a locally finite triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{T}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ . This category is of the form  $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\varphi$  where  $\varphi$  is an auto-equivalence of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$ .

## 5. Construction of a covering functor

From now, we suppose that the AR-quiver  $\Gamma$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  is connected. We know its structure. It is natural to ask: Is the category  $\mathcal{T}$  *standard*, i.e. equivalent as a  $k$ -linear category to the mesh category  $k(\Gamma)$ ? First, in this part we construct a covering functor  $F : k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$ .

**5.1. Construction.** — We write  $\pi : \mathbb{Z}\Delta \rightarrow \Gamma$  for the canonical projection. As  $G$  is a weakly admissible group, this projection verifies the following property: if  $x$  is a vertex of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , the number of arrows of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$  with source  $x$  is equal to the number of arrows of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$  with source  $\pi x$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a system of representatives of the isoclasses of indecomposables of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We write  $\text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  for the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$  whose set of objects is  $\mathcal{S}$ . For a tree  $\Delta$ , we write  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$  for the mesh category (see [39]). Using the same proof as Riedtmann [39], one shows the following theorem.



**THEOREM 5.1.** — *There exists a  $k$ -linear functor  $F : k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta) \rightarrow \text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  which is surjective and induces bijections:*

$$\bigoplus_{Fz=Fy} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, z) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Fx, Fy),$$

for all vertices  $x$  and  $y$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ .

**5.2. Infinite case.** — If the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is locally finite not finite *i.e.* if there is infinitely many indecomposables, the constructed functor  $F$  is immediately fully faithful. Thus we get the corollary.

**COROLLARY 5.2.** — *If  $\text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  is not finite, then we have a  $k$ -linear equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and the mesh category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ .*

**5.3. Uniqueness criterion.** — The covering functor  $F$  can be seen as a  $k$ -linear functor from the derived category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  to the category  $\mathcal{T}$ . By construction, it satisfies the following property called the *AR-property*:

For each AR-triangle  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} SX$  of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$ , there exists a triangle of  $\mathcal{T}$  of the form  $FX \xrightarrow{Ff} FY \xrightarrow{Fg} FZ \xrightarrow{\epsilon} SFX$ .

In fact, thanks to this property,  $F$  is determined by its restriction to the subcategory  $\text{proj } k\Delta = k(\Delta)$ , *i.e.* we have the following lemma.

**LEMMA 5.3.** — *Let  $F$  and  $G$  be  $k$ -linear functors from  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  to  $\mathcal{T}$ . Suppose that  $F$  and  $G$  satisfy the AR-property and that the restrictions  $F|_{k(\Delta)}$  and  $G|_{k(\Delta)}$  are isomorphic. Then the functors  $F$  and  $G$  are isomorphic as  $k$ -linear functors.*

*Proof.* — It is easy to construct this isomorphism by induction using the (TR3) axiom of the triangulated categories (see [36]).  $\square$

## 6. Particular cases of $k$ -linear equivalence

From now we suppose that the category  $\mathcal{T}$  is finite, *i.e.*  $\mathcal{T}$  has finitely many isoclasses of indecomposable objects.

**6.1. Equivalence criterion.** — Let  $\Gamma$  be the AR-quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$  and suppose that it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a generator of  $G$ . It induces an automorphism in the mesh category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$  that we still denote by  $\varphi$ . Then we have the following equivalence criterion.

**PROPOSITION 6.1.** — *The categories  $k(\Gamma)$  and  $\text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  are equivalent as  $k$ -categories if and only if there exists a covering functor  $F : k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta) \rightarrow \text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  and an isomorphism of functors  $\Phi : F \circ \varphi \rightarrow F$ .*

The proof consists in constructing a  $k$ -linear equivalence between  $\text{ind } \mathcal{T}$  and the orbit category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)/\varphi^{\mathbb{Z}}$  using the universal property of the orbit category (see [30]), and then constructing an equivalence between  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)/\varphi^{\mathbb{Z}}$  and  $k(\Gamma)$ .

## 6.2. Cylindric case for $\mathbb{A}_n$

**THEOREM 6.2.** — *If  $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$  and  $\varphi = \tau^r$  for some  $r \geq 1$ , then there exists a functor isomorphism  $\Phi : F \circ \varphi \rightarrow F$ , i.e. for each object  $x$  of  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$  there exists an automorphism  $\Phi_x$  of  $Fx$  such that for each arrow  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , the following diagram commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Fx & \xrightarrow{\Phi_x} & Fx \\ F\alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow F\varphi\alpha \\ Fy & \xrightarrow{\Phi_y} & Fy. \end{array}$$

To prove this, we need the following lemma.

**LEMMA 6.3.** — *Let  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  be an arrow of  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_n$  and let  $c$  be a path from  $x$  to  $\tau^r y$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ , which is not zero in the mesh category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_n)$ . Then  $c$  can be written  $c'\alpha$  where  $c'$  is a path from  $y$  to  $\tau^r y$  (up to sign).*

*Proof of the lemma.* — There is a path from  $x$  to  $\tau^r y$ , thus, we have  $\text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, \tau^r y) \simeq k$ , and  $x$  and  $\tau^r y$  are opposite vertices of a ‘rectangle’ in  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_n$ . This implies that there exists a path from  $x$  to  $\tau^r y$  beginning by  $\alpha$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 6.2.* — Combining Proposition 6.1 and Lemma 5.3, we have just to construct an isomorphism between the restriction of  $F$  and  $F \circ \varphi$  to a subquiver  $\mathbb{A}_n$ .

Let us fix a full subquiver of  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_n$  of the following form

$$x_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} x_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} x_n$$

such that  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are representatives of the  $\tau$ -orbits in  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{A}_n$ . We define the  $(\Phi_{x_i})_{i=1\dots n}$  by induction. We fix  $\Phi_{x_1} = \text{Id}_{Fx_1}$ . Now suppose we have

constructed some automorphisms  $\Phi_{x_1}, \dots, \Phi_{x_i}$  such that for each  $j \leq i$  the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Fx_{j-1} & \xrightarrow{\Phi_{x_{j-1}}} & Fx_{j-1} \\ F\alpha_{j-1} \downarrow & & \downarrow F\varphi\alpha_{j-1} \\ Fx_j & \xrightarrow{\Phi_{x_j}} & Fx_j. \end{array}$$

The composition  $(F\varphi\alpha_i) \circ \Phi_{x_i}$  is in the morphism space  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Fx_i, Fx_{i+1})$ , which is isomorphic, by Theorem 5.1, to the space

$$\bigoplus_{Fz = Fx_{i+1}} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x_i, z).$$

Thus we can write

$$(F\varphi\alpha_i)\Phi_{x_i} = \lambda F\alpha_i + \sum_{z \neq x_{i+1}} F\beta_z$$

where  $\beta_z$  belongs to  $\text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x_i, z)$  and  $Fz = Fx_{i+1}$ . But  $Fz$  is equal to  $Fx_{i+1}$  if and only if  $z$  is of the form  $\tau^{r\ell}x_{i+1}$  for an  $\ell$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . By the lemma, we can write  $\beta_z = \beta'_z\alpha_i$ . Thus we have the equality

$$(F\varphi\alpha_i)\Phi_{x_i} = F(\lambda \text{Id}_{x_{i+1}} + \sum_z \beta'_z)F\alpha_i.$$

The scalar  $\lambda$  is not zero. Indeed,  $\Phi_{x_i}$  is an automorphism, thus the image of  $(F\varphi\alpha_i)\Phi_{x_i}$  is not zero in the quotient

$$\mathcal{R}(Fx_i, Fx_{i+1})/\mathcal{R}^2(Fx_i, Fx_{i+1}).$$

Thus  $\Phi_{x_{i+1}} = F(\lambda \text{Id}_{x_{i+1}} + \sum_z \beta'_z)$  is an automorphism of  $Fx_{i+1}$  which verifies the commutation relation

$$(F\varphi\alpha_i) \circ \Phi_{x_i} = \Phi_{x_{i+1}} \circ F\alpha_i. \quad \square$$

**6.3. Other standard cases.** — In the mesh category  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ , where  $\Delta$  is a Dynkin tree, the length of the non zero paths is bounded. Thus there exist automorphisms  $\varphi$  such that, for an arrow  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  of  $\Delta$ , the paths from  $x$  to  $\varphi^r y$  vanish in the mesh category for all  $r \neq 0$ . In other words, for each arrow  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$ , we have

$$\text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)/\varphi^{\mathbb{Z}}}(x, y) = \bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, \varphi^r y) = \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, y) \simeq k,$$

where  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)/\varphi^{\mathbb{Z}}$  is the orbit category (see Section 6.1).

LEMMA 6.4. — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a finite triangulated category with AR-quiver  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a generator of  $G$  and suppose that  $\varphi$  verifies for each arrow  $x \rightarrow y$  of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$*

$$\bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, \varphi^r y) = \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, y) \simeq k.$$

*Let  $F : k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  and  $G : k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  be covering functors satisfying the AR-property. Suppose that  $F$  and  $G$  agree up to isomorphism on the objects of  $k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)$ . Then  $F$  and  $G$  are isomorphic as  $k$ -linear functors.*

*Proof.* — Using Lemma 5.3, we have just to construct an isomorphism between the functors restricted to  $\Delta$ . Let  $\alpha : x \rightarrow y$  be an arrow of  $\Delta$ . Using Theorem 5.1 and the hypothesis, we have the isomorphisms

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Fx, Fy) \simeq \bigoplus_{Fz=Fy} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, z) \simeq \bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{k(\mathbb{Z}\Delta)}(x, \varphi^r y) \simeq k$$

and then

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Gx, Gy) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Fx, Fy) \simeq k.$$

Thus there exists a scalar  $\lambda$  such that  $G\alpha = \lambda F\alpha$ . This scalar does not vanish since  $F$  and  $G$  are covering functors. As  $\Delta$  is a tree, we can find some  $\lambda_x$  for  $x \in \Delta$  by induction such that

$$G\alpha = \lambda_x \lambda_y^{-1} F\alpha.$$

Now it is easy to check that  $\Phi_x = \lambda_x \text{Id}_{F_x}$  is the functor isomorphism.  $\square$

This lemma gives us an isomorphism between the functors  $F$  and  $F \circ \varphi$ . Moreover, using the same argument, one can show that the covering functor  $F$  is an  $S$ -functor and a  $\tau$ -functor.

For each Dynkin tree  $\Delta$  we can determine the automorphisms  $\varphi$  which satisfy this combinatorial property. Using the preceding lemma and the equivalence criterion we deduce the following theorem:

THEOREM 6.5. — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a finite triangulated category with AR-quiver  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a generator of  $G$ . If one of these cases holds,*

- $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$  with  $n$  odd and  $G$  is generated by  $\tau^r$  or  $\varphi = \tau^r \phi$  with  $r \geq \frac{1}{2}(n-1)$  and  $\phi = \tau^{\frac{1}{2}(n+1)} S$ ;
- $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n$  with  $n$  even and  $G$  is generated by  $\rho^r$  with  $r \geq n-1$  and  $\rho = \tau^{\frac{1}{2}n} S$ ;
- $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_n$  with  $n \geq 5$  and  $G$  is generated by  $\tau^r$  or  $\tau^r \phi$  with  $r \geq n-2$  and  $\phi$  as in Theorem 2.1;
- $\Delta = \mathbb{D}_4$  and  $G$  is generated by  $\phi \tau^r$ , where  $r \geq 2$  and  $\phi$  runs over  $\sigma_3$ ;

- $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_6$  and  $G$  is generated by  $\tau^r$  or  $\tau^r\phi$  where  $r \geq 5$  and  $\phi$  is as in Theorem 2.1;
- $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_7$  and  $G$  is generated by  $\tau^r$ ,  $r \geq 8$ ;
- $\Delta = \mathbb{E}_8$  and  $G$  is generated by  $\tau^r$ ,  $r \geq 14$ ;

then  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard, i.e. the categories  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $k(\Gamma)$  are equivalent as  $k$ -linear categories.

COROLLARY 6.6. — *A finite maximal  $d$ -Calabi-Yau (see [30, 8]) triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$ , with  $d \geq 2$ , is standard, i.e. there exists a  $k$ -linear equivalence between  $\mathcal{T}$  and the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\tau^{-1}S^{d-1}$  where  $\Delta$  is Dynkin of type  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$  or  $\mathbb{E}$*

## 7. Algebraic case

For some automorphism groups  $G$ , we know the  $k$ -linear structure of  $\mathcal{T}$ . But what about the triangulated structure? We can only give an answer adding hypothesis on the triangulated structure. We distinguish two cases.

If  $\mathcal{T}$  is locally finite, not finite, we have the following theorem which is proved in Section 7.2.

THEOREM 7.1. — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a connected locally finite triangulated category with infinitely many indecomposables. If  $\mathcal{T}$  is the base of a tower of triangulated categories [29], then  $\mathcal{T}$  is triangle equivalent to  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  for some Dynkin diagram  $\Delta$ .*

Now if  $\mathcal{T}$  is a finite standard category which is algebraic, i.e.  $\mathcal{T}$  is triangle equivalent to  $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$  for some  $k$ -linear Frobenius category  $\mathcal{E}$  (see [31, 3.6]), then we have the following result which is proved in Section 7.3.

THEOREM 7.2. — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a finite triangulated category, which is connected, algebraic and standard. Then, there exists a Dynkin diagram  $\Delta$  of type  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$  or  $\mathbb{E}$  and an auto-equivalence  $\Phi$  of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  such that  $\mathcal{T}$  is triangle equivalent to the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$ .*

This theorem combined with Corollary 6.6 yields the following result (compare to [30, Cor. 8.4]).

COROLLARY 7.3. — *If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a finite algebraic maximal  $d$ -Calabi-Yau category with  $d \geq 2$ , then  $\mathcal{T}$  is triangle equivalent to the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/S^d\nu^{-1}$  for some Dynkin diagram  $\Delta$ .*

**7.1.  $\partial$ -functor.** — We recall the following definition from [29] and [46].

**DEFINITION 7.1.1.** — Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be an exact category and  $\mathcal{T}$  a triangulated category. A  $\partial$ -functor  $(I, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  is given by:

- an additive  $k$ -linear functor  $I : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$ ;
- for each conflation  $\epsilon : X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{p} Z$  of  $\mathcal{H}$ , a morphism  $\partial\epsilon : IZ \rightarrow SIX$  functorial in  $\epsilon$  such that  $IX \xrightarrow{Ii} IY \xrightarrow{\ell Ip} IZ \xrightarrow{\partial\epsilon} SIX$  is a triangle of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

For each exact category  $\mathcal{H}$ , the inclusion  $I : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$  can be completed to a  $\partial$ -functor  $(I, \partial)$  in a unique way. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{T}'$  be triangulated categories. If  $(F, \varphi) : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'$  is an  $S$ -functor and  $(I, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  is a  $\partial$ -functor, we say that  $F$  respects  $\partial$  if  $(F \circ I, \varphi(F\partial)) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'$  is a  $\partial$ -functor. Obviously each triangle functor respects  $\partial$ .

**PROPOSITION 7.4.** — *Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a  $k$ -linear hereditary abelian category and let  $(I, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  be a  $\partial$ -functor. Then there exists a unique (up to isomorphism)  $k$ -linear  $S$ -functor  $F : \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  which respects  $\partial$ .*

*Proof.* — On  $\mathcal{H}$  (which can be seen as a full subcategory of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$ ), the functor  $F$  is uniquely determined. We want  $F$  to be an  $S$ -functor, so  $F$  is uniquely determined on  $S^n\mathcal{H}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  too. Since  $\mathcal{H}$  is hereditary, each object of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$  is isomorphic to a direct sum of stalk complexes, *i.e.* complexes concentrated in a single degree. Thus, the functor  $F$  is uniquely determined on the objects.

Now, let  $X$  and  $Y$  be stalk complexes of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$  and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  a non-zero morphism. We can suppose that  $X$  is in  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $Y$  is in  $S^n\mathcal{H}$ . If  $n \neq 0, 1$ ,  $f$  is necessarily zero. If  $n = 0$ , then  $f$  is a morphism in  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $Ff$  is uniquely determined. If  $n = 1$ ,  $f$  is an element of  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{H}}^1(X, S^{-1}Y)$ , so gives us a conflation  $\epsilon : S^{-1}Y \xrightarrow{i} E \xrightarrow{p} X$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . The functor  $F$  respects  $\partial$ , thus  $Ff$  has to be equal to  $\varphi \circ \partial\epsilon$  where  $\varphi$  is the natural isomorphism between  $SFS^{-1}Y$  and  $FY$ . Since  $\partial$  is functorial,  $F$  is a functor. The result follows.  $\square$

*A priori* this functor is not a triangle functor. We recall a theorem proved by B. Keller [29, Cor. 2.7].

**THEOREM 7.5.** — *Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a  $k$ -linear exact category, and  $\mathcal{T}$  be the base of a tower of triangulated categories [29]. Let  $(I, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  be a  $\partial$ -functor such that for each  $n < 0$ , and all objects  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $\mathcal{H}$ , the space  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(IX, S^n IY)$*

vanishes. Then there exists a triangle functor  $F : \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  such that the following diagram commutes up to isomorphism of  $\partial$ -functors:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H} & \xhookrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H}) \\ & \searrow (I, \partial) & \swarrow F \\ & \mathcal{T} & \end{array}$$

From Theorem 7.5, and the proposition above we deduce the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 7.6** (compare [44]). — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $(I, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  be as in Theorem 7.5. If  $\mathcal{H}$  is hereditary, then the unique functor  $F : \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  which respects  $\partial$  is a triangle functor.*

**7.2. Proof of Theorem 7.1.** — Let  $F$  be the  $k$ -linear equivalence constructed in Theorem 5.1 between an algebraic triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$  where  $\mathcal{H} = \text{mod } k\Delta$  and  $\Delta$  is a simply-laced Dynkin graph. As we saw in Section 6, the covering functor is an  $S$ -functor.

The category  $\mathcal{H}$  is the heart of the standard  $t$ -structure on  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$ . The image of this  $t$ -structure through  $F$  is a  $t$ -structure on  $\mathcal{T}$ . Indeed,  $F$  is an  $S$ -equivalence, so the conditions (i) and (ii) from [7, Def. 1.3.1] hold obviously. And since  $\mathcal{H}$  is hereditary, for an object  $X$  of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$ , the morphism  $\tau_{>0}X \rightarrow S\tau_{\leq 0}X$  of the triangle

$$\tau_{\leq 0}X \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow \tau_{>0}X \longrightarrow S\tau_{\leq 0}X$$

vanishes. Thus the image of this triangle through  $F$  is a triangle of  $\mathcal{T}$  and condition (iii) of [7, Def. 1.3.1] holds. Then we get a  $t$ -structure on  $\mathcal{T}$  whose heart is  $\mathcal{H}$ .

It results from [7, Prop. 1.2.4] that the inclusion of the heart of a  $t$ -structure can be uniquely completed to a  $\partial$ -functor. Thus we obtain a  $\partial$ -functor  $(F_0, \partial) : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  with  $F_0 = F|_{\mathcal{H}}$ .

The functor  $F$  is an  $S$ -equivalence. Thus for each  $n < 0$ , and all objects  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $\mathcal{H}$ , the space  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(FX, S^n FY)$  vanishes. Now we can apply Theorem 7.5 and we get the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H} & \xhookrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H}), \\ & \searrow (F_0, \partial) & \swarrow \begin{array}{c} F \\ G \end{array} \\ & \mathcal{T} & \end{array}$$

where  $F$  is the  $S$ -equivalence and  $G$  is a triangle functor. Note that *a priori*  $F$  is an  $S$ -functor which does not respect  $\partial$ . The functors  $F|_{\mathcal{H}}$  and  $G|_{\mathcal{H}}$  are isomorphic. The functor  $F$  is an  $S$ -functor thus we have an isomorphism

$F|_{S^n \mathcal{H}} \simeq G|_{S^n \mathcal{H}}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus the functor  $G$  is essentially surjective. Since  $\mathcal{H}$  is the category  $\text{mod } k\Delta$ , to show that  $G$  is fully faithful, we have just to show that for each  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is an isomorphism induced by  $G$

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})}(A, S^p A) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(GA, S^p GA)$$

where  $A$  is the free module  $k\Delta$ . For  $p = 0$ , this is clear because  $A$  is in  $\mathcal{H}$ . And for  $p \neq 0$  both sides vanish.

Thus  $G$  is a triangle equivalence between  $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{H})$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**7.3. Finite algebraic standard case.** — For a small dg category  $\mathcal{A}$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{CA}$  the category of dg  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules, by  $\mathcal{DA}$  the derived category of  $\mathcal{A}$  and by  $\text{per } \mathcal{A}$  the *perfect derived category* of  $\mathcal{A}$ , i.e. the smallest triangulated subcategory of  $\mathcal{DA}$  which is stable under passage to direct factors and contains the free  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules  $\mathcal{A}(?, A)$ , where  $A$  runs through the objects of  $\mathcal{A}$ . Recall that a small triangulated category is *algebraic* if it is triangle equivalent to  $\text{per } \mathcal{A}$  for a dg category  $\mathcal{A}$ . For two small dg categories  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ , a triangle functor  $\text{per } \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{per } \mathcal{B}$  is *algebraic* if it is isomorphic to the functor

$$F_X = ? \overset{L}{\otimes}_{\mathcal{A}} X$$

associated with a dg bimodule  $X$ , i.e. an object of the derived category  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{B})$ .

Let  $\Phi$  be an algebraic autoequivalence of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  such that the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$  is triangulated. Let  $Y$  be a dg  $k\Delta$ - $k\Delta$ -bimodule such that  $\Phi = F_Y$ . In Section 9.3 of [30], it was shown that there is a canonical triangle equivalence between this orbit category and the perfect derived category of a certain small dg category. Thus, the orbit category is algebraic, and endowed with a canonical triangle equivalence to the perfect derived category of a small dg category. Moreover, by the construction in [loc. cit.], the projection functor

$$\pi : \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$$

is algebraic.

The proof of Theorem 7.0.5 is based on the following universal property of the triangulated orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$ . For the proof, we refer to Section 9.3 of [30].

**PROPOSITION 7.7.** — *Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a small dg category and*

$$F_X = ? \overset{L}{\otimes}_{k\Delta} X : \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) \longrightarrow \text{per } \mathcal{B}$$

*an algebraic triangle functor given by a dg  $k\Delta$ - $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $X$ . Suppose that there is an isomorphism between  $Y \otimes_{k\Delta}^L X$  and  $X$  in the derived bimodule*



category  $\mathcal{D}(k\Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{B})$ . Then the functor  $F_X$  factors, up to isomorphism of triangle functors, through the projection

$$\pi : \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi.$$

Moreover, the induced triangle functor is algebraic.

Let us recall a lemma of Van den Bergh [33].

LEMMA 7.8. — *Let  $Q$  be a quiver without oriented cycles and  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dg category. We denote by  $k(Q)$  the category of paths of  $Q$  and by  $\text{Can} : \mathcal{CA} \rightarrow \mathcal{DA}$  the canonical functor. Then we have the following properties:*

a) *Each functor  $F : k(Q) \rightarrow \mathcal{DA}$  lifts, up to isomorphism, to a functor  $\widetilde{F} : k(Q) \rightarrow \mathcal{CA}$  which verifies the following property: For each vertex  $j$  of  $Q$ , the induced morphism*

$$\bigoplus_i \widetilde{F}i \rightarrow \widetilde{F}j,$$

*where  $i$  runs through the immediate predecessors of  $j$ , is a monomorphism which splits as a morphism of graded  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules.*

b) *Let  $F$  and  $G$  be functors from  $k(Q)$  to  $\mathcal{CA}$ , and suppose that  $F$  satisfies the property of a). Then any morphism of functors  $\varphi : \text{Can} \circ F \rightarrow \text{Can} \circ G$  lifts to a morphism  $\widetilde{\varphi} : F \rightarrow G$ .*

*Proof.* — a) For each vertex  $i$  of  $Q$ , the object  $Fi$  is isomorphic in  $\mathcal{DA}$  to its cofibrant resolution  $X_i$ . Thus for each arrow  $\alpha : i \rightarrow j$ ,  $F$  induces a morphism  $f_\alpha : X_i \rightarrow X_j$  which can be lifted to  $\mathcal{CA}$  since the  $X_i$  are cofibrant. Since  $Q$  has no oriented cycle, it is easy to choose the  $f_\alpha$  such that the property is satisfied.

b) For each vertex  $i$  of  $Q$ , we may assume that  $Fi$  is cofibrant. Then we can lift  $\varphi_i : \text{Can} \circ Fi \rightarrow \text{Can} \circ Gi$  to  $\psi_i : Fi \rightarrow Gi$ . For each arrow  $\alpha$  of  $Q$ , the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Fi & \xrightarrow{F_\alpha} & Fj \\ \psi_i \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi_j \\ Gi & \xrightarrow{G_\alpha} & Gj \end{array}$$

is commutative in  $\mathcal{DA}$ . Thus the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_i Fi & \xrightarrow{F_\alpha} & Fj \\ (\psi_i) \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi_j \\ \bigoplus_i Gi & \xrightarrow{G_\alpha} & Gj \end{array}$$

is commutative up to nullhomotopic morphism  $h : \bigoplus_i Fi \rightarrow Gj$ . Since the morphism  $f : \bigoplus_i Fi \rightarrow Fj$  is split mono in the category of graded  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules,  $h$

extends along  $f$  and we can modify  $\Psi_j$  so that the square becomes commutative in  $\mathcal{CA}$ . The quiver  $Q$  does not have oriented cycles, so we can construct  $\tilde{\varphi}$  by induction.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 7.2.* — The category  $\mathcal{T}$  is small and algebraic, thus we may assume that  $\mathcal{T} = \text{per } \mathcal{A}$  for some small dg category  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $F : \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$  be the covering functor of Theorem 5.1. Let  $\Phi$  be an auto-equivalence of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  such that the AR-quiver of the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$  is isomorphic (as translation quiver) to the AR-quiver of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We may assume that  $\Phi = -\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Y$  for an object  $Y$  of  $\mathcal{D}(k\Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes k\Delta)$ . The orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$  is algebraic, thus it is  $\text{per } \mathcal{B}$  for some dg category  $\mathcal{B}$ .

The functor  $F|_{k(\Delta)}$  lifts by Lemma 7.8 to a functor  $\tilde{F}$  from  $k(\Delta)$  to  $\mathcal{CA}$ . This means that the object  $X = \tilde{F}(k\Delta)$  has a structure of dg  $k\Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ -module. We denote by  $X$  the image of this object in  $\mathcal{D}(k\Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{A})$ .

The functors  $F$  and  $-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X$  become isomorphic when restricted to  $k(\Delta)$ . Moreover  $-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X$  satisfies the AR-property since it is a triangulated functor. Thus by Lemma 5.3, they are isomorphic as  $k$ -linear functors. So we have the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X} & \text{per } \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{T} \\ \uparrow & & \\ \bigcirc & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Y} & \end{array}$$

The category  $\mathcal{T}$  is standard, thus there exists an isomorphism of  $k$ -linear functors

$$c : -\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X \longrightarrow -\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Y \otimes_{k\Delta}^L X.$$

The functor  $-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X$  restricted to the category  $k(\Delta)$  satisfies the property of a) of Lemma 7.8. Thus we can apply b) and lift  $c|_{k(\Delta)}$  to an isomorphism  $\tilde{c}$  between  $X$  and  $Y \otimes_{k\Delta}^L X$  as dg- $k\Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ -modules.

By the universal property of the orbit category, the bimodule  $X$  endowed with the isomorphism  $\tilde{c}$  yields a triangle functor from  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$  to  $\mathcal{T}$  which comes from a bimodule  $Z$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{B}^{\text{op}} \otimes \mathcal{A})$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \\ & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Y} & \\ & \bigcirc & \\ \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta) & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X} & \text{per } \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{T} \\ \downarrow \pi & & \nearrow \\ \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi = \text{per } \mathcal{B} & & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Z} \end{array}$$

The functor  $-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Z$  is essentially surjective. Let us show that it is fully faithful. For  $M$  and  $N$  objects of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$  we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(M, \Phi^n N) & & \\ \swarrow \pi & & \searrow -\otimes_{k\Delta}^L X = F \\ \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}/\Phi}(\pi M, \pi N) & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Z} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(FM, FN), \end{array}$$

where  $\mathcal{D}$  means  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)$ . The two diagonal morphisms are isomorphisms, thus so is the horizontal morphism. This proves that  $-\otimes_{k\Delta}^L Z$  is a triangle equivalence between the orbit category  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod } k\Delta)/\Phi$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ .  $\square$

## 8. Triangulated structure on the category of projectives

Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field and  $\mathcal{P}$  a  $k$ -linear category with split idempotents. The category  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  of contravariant finitely presented functors from  $\mathcal{P}$  to  $\text{mod } k$  is exact. As the idempotents split, the projectives of  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  coincide with the representables. Thus the Yoneda functor gives a natural equivalence between  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\text{proj } \mathcal{P}$ . Assume besides that  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  has a structure of Frobenius category. The stable category  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  is a triangulated category, we write  $\Sigma$  for the suspension functor.

Let  $S$  be an auto-equivalence of  $\mathcal{P}$ . It can be extended to an exact functor from  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  to  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  and thus to a triangle functor of  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ . The aim of this part is to find a necessary condition on the functor  $S$  such that the category  $(\mathcal{P}, S)$  has a triangulated structure. Heller already showed [25, Thm. 16.4] that if there exists an isomorphism of triangle functors between  $S$  and  $\Sigma^3$ , then  $\mathcal{P}$  has a pretriangulated structure. But he did not succeed in proving the octahedral axiom. We are going to impose a stronger condition on the functor  $S$  and prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM 8.1.** — *Assume there exists an exact sequence of exact functors from  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  to  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ :*

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Id} \longrightarrow X^0 \longrightarrow X^1 \longrightarrow X^2 \longrightarrow S \rightarrow 0,$$

*where the  $X^i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , take values in  $\text{proj } \mathcal{P}$ . Then the category  $\mathcal{P}$  has a structure of triangulated category with suspension functor  $S$ .*

For an  $M$  in  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ , denote  $T_M : X^0 M \rightarrow X^1 M \rightarrow X^2 M \rightarrow SX^0 M$  a *standard triangle*. A triangle of  $\mathcal{P}$  will be a sequence  $X : P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP$  which is isomorphic to a standard triangle  $T_M$  for an  $M$  in  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ .

**8.1. S-complexes,  $\Phi$ -S-complexes and standard triangles.** — Let  $\mathcal{Acp}(\text{mod } \mathcal{P})$  be the category of acyclic complexes with projective components. It is a Frobenius category whose projective-injectives are the contractible complexes, *i.e.* the complexes homotopic to zero. The functor  $Z^0 : \mathcal{Acp}(\text{mod } \mathcal{P}) \rightarrow \text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  which sends a complex

$$\cdots \longrightarrow X^{-1} \xrightarrow{x^{-1}} X^0 \xrightarrow{x^0} X^1 \xrightarrow{x^1} \cdots$$

to the kernel of  $x^0$  is an exact functor. It sends the projective-injectives to projective-injectives and induces a triangle equivalence between  $\underline{\mathcal{Acp}(\text{mod } \mathcal{P})}$  and  $\underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}$ .

DEFINITION 8.1.1. — An object of  $\mathcal{Acp}(\text{mod } \mathcal{P})$  is called an *S-complex* if it is *S*-periodic, *i.e.* if it has the following form:

$$\cdots \longrightarrow P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP \xrightarrow{Su} SQ \longrightarrow \cdots$$

The category *S-comp* of *S*-complexes with *S*-periodic morphisms is a non full subcategory of  $\mathcal{Acp}(\text{mod } \mathcal{P})$ . It is a Frobenius category. The projective-injectives are the *S*-contractibles, *i.e.* the complexes homotopic to zero with an *S*-periodic homotopy. Using the functor  $Z^0$ , we get an exact functor from *S-comp* to  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  which induces a triangle functor

$$\underline{Z^0} : \underline{S\text{-comp}} \longrightarrow \underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}.$$

Fix a sequence as in Theorem 8.1. Clearly, it induces for each object *M* of  $\underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}$ , a functorial isomorphism in  $\underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}$ ,  $\Phi_M : \Sigma^3 M \rightarrow SM$ .

Let *Y* be an *S*-complex:

$$Y : \cdots \longrightarrow P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP \xrightarrow{Su} SQ \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Let *M* be the kernel of *u*. Then *Y* induces an isomorphism  $\theta$  (in  $\underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}$ ) between  $\Sigma^3 M$  and *SM*. If  $\theta$  is equal to  $\Phi_M$ , we will say that *X* is a  $\Phi$ -*S*-complex.

Let *M* be an object of  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ . The standard triangle  $T_M$  can be seen as a  $\Phi$ -*S*-complex:

$$\cdots \longrightarrow X^0 M \longrightarrow X^1 M \longrightarrow X^2 M \longrightarrow SX^0 M \longrightarrow SX^1 M \longrightarrow \cdots$$

The functor *T* which sends an object *M* of  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  to the *S*-complex  $T_M$  is exact since the  $X^i$  are exact. It satisfies the relation  $Z^0 \circ T \simeq \text{Id}_{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}$ . Moreover, as it preserves the projective-injectives, it induces a triangle functor

$$T : \underline{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \underline{S\text{-comp}}$$

## 8.2. Properties of the functors $Z^0$ and $T$

LEMMA 8.2. — *An  $S$ -complex which is homotopy-equivalent to a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex.*

*Proof.* — Let  $X : P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP$  be an  $S$ -complex homotopy-equivalent to the  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex  $X' : P' \xrightarrow{u'} Q' \xrightarrow{v'} R' \xrightarrow{w'} SP'$ . Let  $M$  be the kernel of  $u$  and  $M'$  the kernel of  $u'$ . By assumption, there exists a  $S$ -periodic homotopy equivalence  $f$  from  $X$  to  $X'$ , which induces a morphism  $g = Z^0 f : M \rightarrow M'$ . Thus, we get the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & P & \longrightarrow & Q & \longrightarrow & R & \longrightarrow & SP \\
 & \nearrow & & \downarrow f^0 & & \downarrow f^1 & & \downarrow f^2 \\
 M & & & P' & \longrightarrow & Q' & \longrightarrow & R' \\
 \downarrow g & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 M' & & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & \downarrow \Sigma^3 g & & \downarrow Sg \\
 & & & & & \Sigma^3 M & \xrightarrow{\theta} & SM \\
 & & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & & \Sigma^3 M' & \xrightarrow{\Phi_{M'}} & SM' \\
 & & & & & & & \downarrow Sg \\
 & & & & & & & SP'
 \end{array}$$

The morphism  $g$  is an isomorphism of  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  since  $f$  is an isomorphism of  $\underline{S\text{-comp}}$ . Thus the morphisms  $\Sigma^3 g$  and  $Sg$  are isomorphisms of  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ . The following equality in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$

$$\theta = (Sg)^{-1} \Phi_{M'} \Sigma^3 g = \Phi_M$$

shows that the complex  $X$  is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex. □

LEMMA 8.3. — *Let*

$$X : P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP,$$

$$X' : P' \xrightarrow{u'} Q' \xrightarrow{v'} R' \xrightarrow{w'} SP'$$

*be two  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complexes. Suppose that we have a commutative square*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q \\
 f^0 \downarrow & & \downarrow f^1 \\
 P' & \xrightarrow{u} & Q'
 \end{array}$$

*Then, there exists a morphism  $f^2 : R \rightarrow R'$  such that  $(f^0, f^1, f^2)$  extends to an  $S$ -periodic morphism from  $X$  to  $X'$ .*

*Proof.* — Let  $M$  be the kernel of  $u$ ,  $M'$  be the kernel of  $u'$  and  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  be the morphism induced by the commutative square. As  $R$  and  $R'$  are projective-injective objects, we can find a morphism  $g^2 : R \rightarrow R'$  such that the following square commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Q & \xrightarrow{v} & R \\ f^1 \downarrow & & \downarrow g^2 \\ Q' & \xrightarrow{v'} & R'. \end{array}$$

The morphism  $g^2$  induces a morphism  $g : SM \rightarrow SM'$  such that the following square is commutative in  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^3 M & \xrightarrow{\Phi_M} & SM \\ \Sigma^3 f \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ \Sigma^3 M' & \xrightarrow{\Phi_{M'}} & SM'. \end{array}$$

Thus the morphisms  $Sf$  and  $g$  are equal in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ , *i.e.* there exists a projective-injective  $I$  of  $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$  and morphisms  $\alpha : SM \rightarrow I$  and  $\beta : I \rightarrow SM'$  such that  $g - Sf = \beta\alpha$ . Let  $p$  (resp.  $p'$ ) be the epimorphism from  $R$  onto  $SM$  (resp. from  $R'$  onto  $SM'$ ). Then, as  $I$  is projective,  $\beta$  factors through  $p'$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
Q & \xrightarrow{v} & R & \xrightarrow{w} & SP \\
\downarrow f^1 & & \downarrow g^2 & \nearrow p & \downarrow Sf^0 \\
& & & SM & \\
& & g \swarrow & \alpha \downarrow & \searrow Sf \\
& & \gamma & I & \beta \\
& & \nwarrow p' & \downarrow & \nearrow \\
Q' & \xrightarrow{v'} & R' & & SP' \\
& & & SM' & 
\end{array}$$

We put  $f^2 = g^2 - \gamma \alpha p$ . Then obviously, we have the equalities  $f^2 v = v' f^1$  and  $w' f^2 = S f^0 w$ . Thus the morphism  $(f^0, f^1, f^2)$  extends to a morphism of  $S$ -comp.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 8.4. — *The functor  $\underline{Z}^0 : \Phi\text{-S-comp} \rightarrow \underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  is full and essentially surjective. Its kernel is an ideal whose square vanishes.*

*Proof.* — The functor  $\underline{Z}^0$  is essentially surjective since we have the relation  $\underline{Z}^0 \circ \underline{T} = \text{Id}_{\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}}$ . Let us show that  $\underline{Z}^0$  is full. Let

$$\begin{aligned} X : P &\xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP, \\ X' : P' &\xrightarrow{u'} Q' \xrightarrow{v'} R' \xrightarrow{w'} SP' \end{aligned}$$

be two  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complexes. Let  $M$  (resp.  $M'$ ) be the kernel of  $u$  (resp.  $u'$ ). As  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $P'$  and  $Q'$  are projective-injective, there exist morphisms  $f^0 : P \rightarrow P'$  and  $f^1 : Q \rightarrow Q'$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} M & \hookrightarrow & P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q \\ & & \downarrow f & f^0 \downarrow & \downarrow f^1 \\ M' & \hookrightarrow & P' & \xrightarrow{u'} & Q'. \end{array}$$

Now the result follows from Lemma 8.3.

Now let  $\underline{f} : X \rightarrow X'$  be a morphism in the kernel of  $\underline{Z}^0$ . Up to homotopy, we can suppose that  $\underline{f}$  has the following form:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q & \xrightarrow{v} & R & \xrightarrow{w} & SP \\ 0 \downarrow & & 0 \downarrow & & f^2 \downarrow & & 0 \downarrow \\ P' & \xrightarrow{u'} & Q' & \xrightarrow{v'} & R' & \xrightarrow{w'} & SP'. \end{array}$$

As the composition  $w'f^2$  vanishes and as  $Q'$  is projective-injective,  $f^2$  factors through  $v'$ . For the same argument,  $f^2$  factors through  $w$ . If  $\underline{f}$  and  $\underline{f}'$  are composable morphisms of the kernel of  $\underline{Z}^0$ , we get the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q & \xrightarrow{v} & R & \xrightarrow{w} & SP \\ 0 \downarrow & & 0 \downarrow & \swarrow h^2 & \downarrow f^2 & & \downarrow 0 \\ P' & \xrightarrow{u'} & Q' & \xrightarrow{v'} & R' & \xrightarrow{w'} & SP' \\ 0 \downarrow & & 0 \downarrow & & f'^2 \downarrow & \swarrow h'^3 & \downarrow 0 \\ P'' & \xrightarrow{u''} & Q'' & \xrightarrow{v''} & R'' & \xrightarrow{w''} & SP''. \end{array}$$

The composition  $\underline{f}' \circ \underline{f}$  vanishes obviously. □

**COROLLARY 8.5.** — *A  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex morphism  $f$  which induces an isomorphism  $\underline{Z}^0(f)$  in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  is an homotopy-equivalence.*

This corollary comes from the previous theorem and from the following lemma.

LEMMA 8.6. — *Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}'$  be a full functor between two additive categories. If the kernel of  $F$  is an ideal whose square vanishes, then  $F$  detects isomorphisms.*

*Proof.* — Let  $u \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)$  be a morphism in  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $Fu$  is an isomorphism. Since the functor  $F$  is full, there exists  $v$  in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, A)$  such that  $Fv = (Fu)^{-1}$ . The morphism  $w = uv - \text{Id}_B$  is in the kernel of  $F$ , thus  $w^2$  vanishes. Then the morphism  $v(\text{Id}_B - w)$  is a right inverse of  $u$ . In the same way we show that  $u$  has a left inverse, so  $u$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

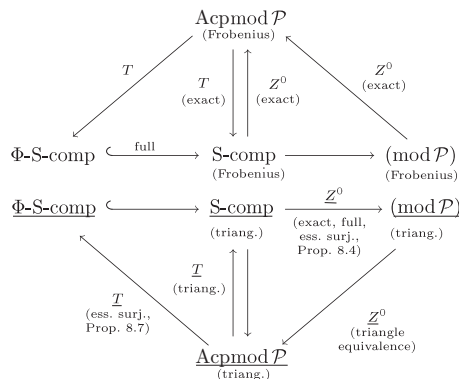
PROPOSITION 8.7. — *The category of  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complexes is equivalent to the category of  $S$ -complexes which are homotopy-equivalent to standard triangles.*

*Proof.* — Since standard triangles are  $\phi$ - $S$ -complexes, each  $S$ -complex that is homotopy equivalent to a standard triangle is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex (Lemma 8.2). Let  $X : P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP$  be a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex. Let  $M$  be the kernel of  $u$ . Then there exist morphisms  $f^1 : P \rightarrow X^0 M$  and  $f^1 : Q \rightarrow X^1 M$  such that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} M & \longrightarrow & P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q \\ & \parallel & \downarrow f^0 & & \downarrow f^1 \\ M & \longrightarrow & X^0 M & \longrightarrow & X^1 M. \end{array}$$

We can complete (Lemma 8.3)  $f$  into an  $S$ -periodic morphism from  $X$  in  $T_M$ . The morphism  $f$  satisfies  $Z^0 f = \text{Id}_M$ , so  $\underline{Z}^0(T_M)$  and  $Z^0(X)$  are equal in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ . By the corollary,  $T_M$  and  $X$  are homotopy-equivalent. Thus the inclusion functor  $T$  is essentially surjective.  $\square$

These two diagrams summarize the results of this section:





**8.3. Proof of Theorem 8.1.** — We are going to show that the  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complexes form a system of triangles of the category  $\mathcal{P}$ . We use triangle axioms as in [36].

TR0: For each object  $M$  of  $\mathcal{P}$ , the  $S$ -complex  $M = M \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow SM$  is homotopy-equivalent to the zero complex, so is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex.

TR1: Let  $u : P \rightarrow Q$  be a morphism of  $\mathcal{P}$ , and let  $M$  be its kernel. We can find morphisms  $f^0$  and  $f^1$  so as to obtain a commutative square:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & X^0 M & \xrightarrow{a} & X^1 M & \xrightarrow{b} & X^2 M \\
 & \nearrow & \downarrow f^0 & & \downarrow f^1 & \searrow & \nearrow \\
 M & & & & & & \text{Coker } a \\
 \parallel & & & & & & \downarrow \gamma \\
 M & \nearrow & P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q & \searrow & \text{Coker } u.
 \end{array}$$

We form the push-out

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow \text{Coker } a & \longrightarrow & X^2 M & \longrightarrow & SM & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 \gamma \downarrow & \text{PO} & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\
 0 \rightarrow \text{Coker } u & \longrightarrow & R & \longrightarrow & SM & \rightarrow & 0.
 \end{array}$$

It induces a triangle morphism of the triangulated category  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \text{Coker } a & \longrightarrow & X^2 M & \longrightarrow & SM & \longrightarrow & \Sigma \text{Coker } a \\
 \gamma \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \Sigma \gamma \\
 \text{Coker } u & \longrightarrow & R & \longrightarrow & SM & \longrightarrow & \Sigma \text{Coker } u.
 \end{array}$$

The morphism  $\gamma$  is an isomorphism in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  since  $\text{Coker } a$  and  $\text{Coker } u$  are canonically isomorphic to  $\Sigma^2 M$  in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ . By the five lemma,  $X^2 M \rightarrow R$  is an isomorphism in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$ . Since  $X^2 M$  is projective-injective, so is  $R$ . Thus the complex  $P \xrightarrow{u} Q \rightarrow R \rightarrow SP$  is an  $S$ -complex. Then we have to see that it is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex. Let  $\theta$  be the isomorphism between  $SM$  and  $\Sigma^3 M$  induced by this complex. We write  $\alpha$  (resp.  $\beta$ ) for the canonical isomorphism in  $\underline{\text{mod}} \mathcal{P}$  between  $\Sigma^2 M$  and  $\text{Coker } a$  (resp.  $\text{Coker } u$ ). From the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \text{Coker } a & \longrightarrow & X^2 M & \longrightarrow & SM & \longrightarrow & \Sigma \text{Coker } a \\
 & \nearrow \alpha & \downarrow \gamma & & \downarrow & & \parallel & \searrow \Phi_M & \nearrow \Sigma \alpha \\
 \Sigma^2 M & & & & & & & & \Sigma^3 M & & \downarrow \Sigma \gamma \\
 & \searrow \beta & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel & \nearrow \theta & \searrow \Sigma \beta & & \\
 & & \text{Coker } u & \longrightarrow & R & \longrightarrow & SM & \longrightarrow & \Sigma \text{Coker } u
 \end{array}$$

we deduce the equality  $\theta = (\Sigma\beta)^{-1}\Sigma\gamma\Sigma\alpha\Phi_M = \Phi_M$  in  $\underline{\text{mod}}\mathcal{P}$ . The constructed  $S$ -complex is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex.

TR2: Let  $X : P \xrightarrow{u} Q \xrightarrow{v} R \xrightarrow{w} SP$  be a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex. It is homotopy-equivalent to a standard triangle  $T_M$ . Thus the  $S$ -complex

$$X' : Q \xrightarrow{-v} R \xrightarrow{-w} SP \xrightarrow{-Su} SQ$$

is homotopy-equivalent to  $T_M[1]$ . Since  $\underline{T}$  is a triangle functor, the objects  $T_{\Sigma M}$  and  $T_M[1]$  are isomorphic in the stable category  $\underline{S\text{-comp}}$ , *i.e.* they are homotopy-equivalent. Thus, by Lemma 8.2,  $T_M[1]$  is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex and then so is  $X'$ .

TR3: This axiom is a direct consequence of Lemma 8.3.

TR4: Let  $X$  and  $X'$  be two  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complexes and suppose we have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X : & P & \xrightarrow{u} & Q & \xrightarrow{v} & R & \xrightarrow{w} & SP \\ & \downarrow f^0 & & \downarrow f^1 & & & & \downarrow Sf^0 \\ X' : & P' & \xrightarrow{u'} & Q' & \xrightarrow{v'} & R' & \xrightarrow{w'} & SP'. \end{array}$$

Let  $M$  (resp.  $M'$ ) be the kernel of  $u$  (resp.  $u'$ ), and  $g : M \rightarrow M'$  the induced morphism. The morphism  $Tg : T_M \rightarrow T_{M'}$  induces a  $S$ -complex morphism  $\tilde{g} = (g^0, g^1, g^2)$  between  $X$  and  $X'$ .

We are going to show that we can find a morphism  $f^2 : R \rightarrow R'$  such that  $(f^0, f^1, f^2)$  can be extended in an  $S$ -complex morphism that is homotopic to  $\tilde{g}$ . As  $(g^0, g^1)$  and  $(f^0, f^1)$  induce the same morphism  $g$  in the kernels, we have some morphisms  $h^1 : Q \rightarrow P'$  and  $h^2 : R \rightarrow Q'$  such that  $f^0 - g^0 = h^1u$  and  $f^1 - g^1 = u'h^1 + h^2v$ . We put  $f^2 = g^2 + v'h^2$ . We have the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} f^2v &= g^2v + v'h^2v = v'(g^1 + h^2v) = v'(f^1 - u'h^1) = v'f^1, \\ w'f^2 &= w'g^2 = (Sg^0)w = (Sf^0 - Sh^1Su)w = (Sf^0)w. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(f^0, f^1, f^2)$  can be extended to an  $S$ -periodic morphism  $\tilde{f}$  which is  $S$ -homotopic to  $\tilde{g}$ . Their respective cones  $C(\tilde{f})$  and  $C(\tilde{g})$  are isomorphic as  $S$ -complexes. Moreover, since  $\tilde{g}$  is a composition of  $Tg : T_M \rightarrow T_{M'}$  with homotopy-equivalences, the cones  $C(\tilde{g})$  and  $C(Tg)$  are homotopy-equivalent.

In  $\underline{\text{mod}}\mathcal{P}$ , we have a triangle

$$M \xrightarrow{g} M' \longrightarrow C(g) \longrightarrow \Sigma M.$$

Since  $\underline{T}$  is a triangle functor, the sequence

$$T_M \xrightarrow{Tg} T_{M'} \longrightarrow T_{C(g)} \longrightarrow T_{\Sigma M}$$

is a triangle in  $\underline{S\text{-comp}}$ . But we know that

$$T_M \xrightarrow{Tg} T_{M'} \longrightarrow C(Tg) \longrightarrow T_M[1]$$

is a triangle in  $\underline{S\text{-comp}}$ . Thus the objects  $C(Tg)$  and  $T_{C(g)}$  are isomorphic in  $\underline{S\text{-comp}}$  i.e. homotopy-equivalent. Thus, the cone  $C(\tilde{f})$  of  $\tilde{f}$  is a  $\Phi$ - $S$ -complex by Lemma 8.2.

## 9. Application to the deformed preprojective algebras

In this section, we apply Theorem 8.1 to show that the category of finite dimensional projective modules over a deformed preprojective algebra of generalized Dynkin type (see [8]) is triangulated. This will give us some examples of non standard triangulated categories with finitely many indecomposables.

**9.1. Preprojective algebra of generalized Dynkin type.** — Recall the notations of [8]. Let  $\Delta$  be a generalized Dynkin graph of type  $\mathbb{A}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{D}_n$  ( $n \geq 4$ ),  $\mathbb{E}_n$  ( $n = 6, 7, 8$ ), or  $\mathbb{L}_n$ . Let  $Q_\Delta$  be the following associated quiver:

$$\Delta = \mathbb{A}_n \ (n \geq 1) : \quad 0 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_0} \\ \xrightarrow{\bar{a}_0} \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_1} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} 2 \longleftrightarrow \cdots \longleftrightarrow n-2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_{n-2}} \\ \xrightarrow{n-2} \end{array} n-1$$

$$\Delta = \mathbb{D}_n \ (n \geq 4) : \quad \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \swarrow a_0 \\ \searrow \bar{a}_0 \end{array} 2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_2} \\ \xrightarrow{2} \end{array} 3 \longleftrightarrow \cdots \longleftrightarrow n-2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_{n-2}} \\ \xrightarrow{n-2} \end{array} n-1$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \swarrow a_1 \\ \searrow 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Delta = \mathbb{E}_n \ (n = 6, 7, 8) : \quad \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \bar{a}_0 \\ \downarrow a_0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_1} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} 2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_2} \\ \xrightarrow{2} \end{array} 3 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_3} \\ \xrightarrow{3} \end{array} 4 \longleftrightarrow \cdots \longleftrightarrow n-2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_{n-2}} \\ \xrightarrow{n-2} \end{array} n-1$$

$$\Delta = \mathbb{L}_n \ (n \geq 1) : \quad \epsilon = \bar{\epsilon} \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \downarrow \bar{a}_0 \end{array} 0 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_0} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_1} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} 2 \longleftrightarrow \cdots \longleftrightarrow n-2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{a_{n-2}} \\ \xrightarrow{n-2} \end{array} n-1.$$

The *preprojective algebra*  $P(\Delta)$  associated to the graph  $\Delta$  is the quotient of the path algebra  $kQ_\Delta$  by the relations

$$\sum_{sa=i} a\bar{a}, \quad \text{for each vertex } i \text{ of } Q_\Delta.$$

The following proposition is classical [8, Prop 2.1].

PROPOSITION 9.1. — *The preprojective algebra  $P(\Delta)$  is finite dimensional and selfinjective. Its Nakayama permutation  $\nu$  is the identity for  $\Delta = \mathbb{A}_1, \mathbb{D}_{2n}, \mathbb{E}_7, \mathbb{E}_8$  and  $\mathbb{L}_n$ , and is of order 2 in all other cases.*

**9.2. Deformed preprojective algebras of generalized Dynkin type.** — Let us recall the definition of deformed preprojective algebra introduced by [8]. Let  $\Delta$  be a graph of generalized Dynkin type. We define an associated algebra  $R(\Delta)$  as follows:

$$R(\mathbb{A}_n) = k, \quad R(\mathbb{D}_n) = k\langle x, y \rangle / (x^2, y^2, (x+y)^{n-2}), \\ R(\mathbb{E}_n) = k\langle x, y \rangle / (x^2, y^3, (x+y)^{n-3}), \quad R(\mathbb{L}_n) = k[x] / (x^{2n}).$$

Further, we fix an exceptional vertex in each graph as follows (with the notations of the previous section):

$$0 \text{ for } \Delta = \mathbb{A}_n \text{ or } \mathbb{L}_n, \quad 2 \text{ for } \Delta = \mathbb{D}_n, \quad 3 \text{ for } \Delta = \mathbb{E}_n.$$

Let  $f$  be an element of the square  $\text{rad}^2 R(\Delta)$  of the radical of  $R(\Delta)$ . The deformed preprojective algebra  $P^f(\Delta)$  is the quotient of the path algebra  $kQ_\Delta$  by the relations

$$\sum_{sa=i} a\bar{a}, \quad \text{for each non exceptional vertex } i \text{ of } Q,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a_0\bar{a}_0 & & \text{for } \Delta = \mathbb{A}_n, \\ \bar{a}_0a_0 + \bar{a}_1a_1 + a_2\bar{a}_2 + f(\bar{a}_0a_0, \bar{a}_1a_1), \text{ and } (\bar{a}_0a_0 + \bar{a}_1a_1)^{n-2} & & \text{for } \Delta = \mathbb{D}_n, \\ \bar{a}_0a_0 + \bar{a}_2a_2 + a_3\bar{a}_3 + f(\bar{a}_0a_0, \bar{a}_2a_2), \text{ and } (\bar{a}_0a_0 + \bar{a}_2a_2)^{n-3} & & \text{for } \Delta = \mathbb{E}_n, \\ \epsilon^2 + a_0\bar{a}_0 + \epsilon f(\epsilon), \text{ and } \epsilon^{2n} & & \text{for } \Delta = \mathbb{L}_n. \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $f$  is zero, we get the preprojective algebra  $P(\Delta)$ .

**9.3. Corollaries of [8].** — The following proposition [8, Prop. 3.4] shows that the category  $\text{proj } P^f(\Delta)$  of finite-dimensional projective modules over a deformed preprojective algebra satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 8.1.

PROPOSITION 9.2. — *Let  $A = P^f(\Delta)$  be a deformed preprojective algebra. Then there exists an exact sequence of  $A$ - $A$ -bimodules*

$$0 \rightarrow {}_1A_{\Phi^{-1}} \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $\Phi$  is an automorphism of  $A$  and where the  $P_i$ 's are projective as bi-modules. Moreover, for each idempotent  $e_i$  of  $A$ , we have  $\Phi(e_i) = e_{\nu(i)}$ .

So we can easily deduce the corollary:

**COROLLARY 9.3.** — *Let  $P^f(\Delta)$  be a deformed preprojective algebra of generalized Dynkin type. Then the category  $\text{proj } P^f(\Delta)$  of finite dimensional projective modules is triangulated. The suspension is the Nakayama functor.*

Indeed, if  $P_i = e_i A$  is a projective indecomposable, then  $P_i \otimes_A A_\Phi$  is equal to  $\Phi(e_i)A = e_{\nu(i)}A$  thus to  $\nu(P_i)$ .

Now we are able to answer to the question of the previous part and find a triangulated category with finitely many indecomposables which is not standard. The proof of the following theorem comes essentially from [8], Theorem 1.3.

**THEOREM 9.4.** — *Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic 2. Then there exist  $k$ -linear triangulated categories with finitely many indecomposables which are not standard.*

*Proof.* — By [8, Thm. 1.3], we know that there exist basic deformed preprojective algebras of generalized Dynkin type  $P^f(\Delta)$  which are not isomorphic to  $P(\Delta)$ . Thus the categories  $\text{proj } P^f(\Delta)$  and  $\text{proj } P(\Delta)$  can not be equivalent. But both are triangulated by Corollary 9.3 and have the same AR-quiver  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/\tau = Q_\Delta$ .  $\square$

Conversely, we have the following theorem:

**THEOREM 9.5.** — *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a finite 1-Calabi-Yau triangulated category. Then  $\mathcal{T}$  is equivalent to  $\text{proj } \Lambda$  as  $k$ -category, where  $\Lambda$  is a deformed preprojective algebra of generalized Dynkin type.*

*Proof.* — Let  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  be representatives of the isoclasses of indecomposable objects of  $\mathcal{T}$ . The  $k$ -algebra  $\Lambda = \text{End}(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i)$  is basic, finite-dimensional and selfinjective since  $\mathcal{T}$  has a Serre duality. It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\text{proj } \Lambda$  are equivalent as  $k$ -categories.

Let  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  be the category of finitely presented  $\Lambda$ -modules. It is a Frobenius category. Denote by  $\Sigma$  the suspension functor of the triangulated category  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ . The category  $\mathcal{T}$  is 1-Calabi-Yau, that is to say that the suspension functor  $S$  of the triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$  and the Serre functor  $\nu$  are isomorphic. But in  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ , the functors  $S$  and  $\Sigma^3$  are isomorphic. Thus, for each non projective simple  $\Lambda$ -module  $M$  we have an isomorphism  $\Sigma^3 M \simeq \nu M$ . We get immediately the result by [8, Thm. 1.2].  $\square$

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