

## Weighted partially ordered sets of finite type

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**ABSTRACT.** We define representations of weighted posets and construct for them reflection functors. Using this technique we prove that a weighted poset is of finite representation type if and only if its Tits form is weakly positive; then indecomposable representations are in one-to-one correspondence with the positive roots of the Tits form.

Representations of posets (partially ordered sets) were introduced in [9]. In [7, 8] a criterion was given for a poset to be *representation finite*, i.e. having only finitely many indecomposable representations (up to isomorphism), and all indecomposable representations of posets of finite type were described. Further, in [4] Coxeter transformations were constructed for representations of posets, following the framework of [1]. It implied another criterion for a poset to be representation finite, not involving explicit calculations, but using the Tits quadratic form, also analogous to that of [1]. Note that this paper did not give all reflections, corresponding to the Tits form. They were constructed in [6], using a generalization of representations of posets, namely, representations of *bisected posets*.

Note that all these matrix problems are “split,” i.e. do not involve extensions of the basic field. Some cases, when such extensions arise, were considered by Dlab and Ringel [2, 3]. The problems considered in [3] generalize representations of posets, though this generalization seems insufficient, especially when compared with [2].

Our aim is to present a more adequate generalization of representations of posets, which involves field extensions (even non-commutative), to construct the corresponding reflection functors and thus to obtain a

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criterion of representation finite ness, as well as a description of indecomposable representations in representation finite case. We call the arising problems *representations of weighed bisected posets*. They seem to be the most natural generalization of representations of posets allowing these constructions. By the way, even in “split” case they include the so called *Schurian vector space categories* (though nothing new arises in representation finite split case).

Since most proofs are quite similar to those of [6], we mainly only sketch them, though we give the details of all constructions, since they are not so evident.

## 1. Definitions and the Main Theorem

Recall [6] that a *bisected poset* is a poset  $\mathbf{S}$  with a fixed partition  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}^- \cup \mathbf{S}^+$  ( $\mathbf{S}^- \cap \mathbf{S}^+ = \emptyset$ ) such that if  $i \in \mathbf{S}^-$  and  $j < i$ , also  $j \in \mathbf{S}^-$ . We introduce a new symbol  $0 \notin \mathbf{S}$  and set  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{S} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^+ = \mathbf{S}^+ \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^- = \mathbf{S}^- \cup \{0\}$ . It is convenient, and we always do so, to set  $0 < i$  for  $i \in \mathbf{S}^-$  and  $i < 0$  for  $i \in \mathbf{S}^+$ . Note that  $<$  is an order on  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^-$  and on  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^+$ , but not an order on  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ . We write

- $i < j$  if  $i < j$  and either both  $i, j \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}^-$  or both  $i, j \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}^+$ ;
- $i \ll j$  if  $i < j$ ,  $i \in \mathbf{S}^-$ ,  $j \in \mathbf{S}^+$ ;
- $i \leq j$  if  $i < j$  or  $j < i$  for  $i, j \in \mathbf{S}$ .

Let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a fixed field (basic field). We consider finite dimensional skewfields (division algebras) over  $\mathbb{k}$  and *finite dimensional bimodules* over such skewfields. If  $V$  is a  $\mathbf{K}$ - $\mathbf{L}$ -bimodule and  $W$  is a  $\mathbf{L}$ - $\mathbf{F}$ -bimodule, we write  $VW$  for the  $\mathbf{K}$ - $\mathbf{F}$ -bimodule  $V_{\mathbf{L}}W$ . We also set  $V^* = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{k}}(V, \mathbb{k})$  and naturally identify it with  $\text{hom}_{\mathbf{K}}(V, \mathbf{K})$  and with  $\text{hom}_{\mathbf{L}}(V, \mathbf{L})$  as  $\mathbf{L}$ - $\mathbf{K}$ -bimodule  $s$ . We also use the natural isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}\text{-}\mathbf{F}}(UV, W) &\simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}\text{-}\mathbf{L}}(U, WV^*) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{L}\text{-}\mathbf{F}}(V, U^*W) \simeq \\ &\simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}\text{-}\mathbf{L}}(W^*U, V^*) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{L}\text{-}\mathbf{K}}(VW^*, U^*), \end{aligned} \quad (1.1)$$

where  $U, V, W$  are, respectively,  $\mathbf{K}$ - $\mathbf{L}$ -bimodule,  $\mathbf{L}$ - $\mathbf{F}$ -bimodule and  $\mathbf{K}$ - $\mathbf{F}$ -bimodule, as well as the duality isomorphism  $V \simeq V^{**}$ . If a map  $f$  belongs to one of these spaces, we usually denote by  $\tilde{f}$  its image in another one under the corresponding isomorphism.

**Definition 1.** A weighted bisected poset, or *WBS*, consists of:

- A finite poset  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}^- \cup \mathbf{S}^+$ . We

- a map  $i \mapsto \mathbf{K}(i)$ , where  $i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  and  $\mathbf{K}(i)$  is a finite dimensional skewfield over  $\mathbb{k}$ ;
- a set of finite dimensional  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ - $\mathbf{K}(j)$ -bimodules  $V(ij)$ , where  $i, j \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  and either  $j < i$  or  $i \ll j$ ;
- a set of  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ - $\mathbf{K}(j)$ -linear maps  $\mu(ikj) : V(ik)V(kj) \rightarrow V(ij)$  given for any triple  $i, j, k \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  such that all these bimodules are defined. We write  $uv$  for  $\mu(ikj)(uv)$ .

These maps must satisfy the following conditions:

1. “associativity”:  $\mu(ilj)(\mu(ikl)1) = \mu(ikj)(1\mu(klj))$  as soon as these maps are defined (it means that  $(uv)w = u(vw)$ );
2. “non-degeneracy”:
  - if  $j < i$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbf{S}^-$  and  $v \in V(ij)$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , there is an element  $u \in V(j0)$  such that  $vu \neq 0$ ;
  - if  $j < i$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbf{S}^+$  and  $v \in V(ij)$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , there is an element  $u \in V(0i)$  such that  $uv \neq 0$ ;
  - if  $j \ll i$ , the map  $\mu(j0i)$  is surjective.

We often write “a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$ ” not mentioning the ingredients  $\mathbf{S}^\pm$ ,  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ ,  $V(ij)$  and  $\mu(ikj)$ .

**Definition 2.** 1. A representation  $(M, f)$  of a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  consists of:

- finite dimensional  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ -vector spaces  $M(i)$  given for each  $i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ ;
- $\mathbf{K}(i)$ -linear maps  $f(i) : M(i) \rightarrow V(i0)M(0)$  given for each  $i \in \mathbf{S}^-$ ;
- $\mathbf{K}(0)$ -linear maps  $f(i) : M(0) \rightarrow V(0i)M(i)$  given for each  $i \in \mathbf{S}^+$ ,

such that the product

$$M(i) \xrightarrow{f(i)} V(i0)M(0) \xrightarrow{1f(j)} V(i0)V(0j)M(j) \xrightarrow{\mu(i0j)1} V(ij)M(j)$$

is zero for every pair  $i \ll j$ . Again, we often write “a representation  $M$ ” not mentioning  $f$ .

2. A morphism  $\phi : (M, f) \rightarrow (N, g)$  is a set of  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ -linear maps

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(i) : M(i) &\rightarrow N(i) \quad \text{for all } i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}, \\ \phi(ji) : M(i) &\rightarrow V(ij)N(j) \quad \text{for } j < i, \end{aligned}$$

that satisfy the following conditions:

$$g(i)\phi(0) = (1\phi(i))f(i) + \sum_{i < j} (\mu(0ji)1)(1\phi(ij))f(j)$$

for  $i \in S^+$  and

$$g(i)\phi(i) = (1\phi(0))f(i) + \sum_{j < i} (\mu(ij0)1)(1g(j))\phi(j)$$

for  $i \in S^-$ .

We denote by  $\text{hom}_{\mathbf{S}}(M, N)$  the set of such morphisms.

**Remark.** If all skewfields  $\mathbf{K}(i)$  as well as all bimodules  $V(ij)$  coincide with the basic field  $\mathbb{k}$  and all maps  $\mu(ikj)$  are identities, these definitions coincide with the definitions of representations of bisected posets from [6]. If all  $\mathbf{K}(i) = \mathbb{k}$  but not necessarily  $V(ij) = \mathbb{k}$ , we get a slight generalization of subspace categories of Schurian vector space categories [8]. Note that in the latter case the problem is never representation finite.

Representations of a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  and their morphisms form a  $\mathbb{k}$ -linear, fully additive category  $\text{rep } \mathbf{S}$ . The unit morphism  $Id_M$  in this category is such that  $Id_M(i) = Id_{M(i)}$  for each  $i$  and all  $Id_M(ij) = 0$ . Since all spaces  $\text{hom}_{\mathbf{S}}(M, N)$  are finite dimensional, it is a *Krull–Schmidt category*, i.e. every representation uniquely decomposes into a direct sum of indecomposable ones.

**Definition 3.** We call a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  representation finite if it only has finitely many non-isomorphic indecomposable representations. Otherwise we call it representation infinite.

We are going to find a criterion for a WBS to be representation finite and to describe indecomposable representations in representation finite case. To do it, just as in [1, 2, 4, 6], we use the *Tits form* and *reflection functors*.

**Definition 4.** For a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  we set  $d_i = \dim_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbf{K}(i)$ ,  $d_{ij} = d_{ji} = \dim_{\mathbb{k}} V(ij)$ , consider the real vector space  $\mathbb{R}^{\hat{\mathbf{S}}}$  of functions  $\mathbf{x} : \hat{\mathbf{S}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and define the Tits form  $Q_{\mathbf{S}}$  as the quadratic form on the space  $\mathbb{R}^{\hat{\mathbf{S}}}$  such that

$$Q_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i \in \hat{\mathbf{S}}} d_i \mathbf{x}(i)^2 + \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ i, j \in \mathbf{S}}} d_{ij} \mathbf{x}(i)\mathbf{x}(j) - \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}} d_{i0} \mathbf{x}(i)\mathbf{x}(0).$$

We fix the natural base  $\{\mathbf{e}_i \mid i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}\}$  in the space  $\mathbb{R}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}}$ , where  $\mathbf{e}_i(j) = \delta_{ij}$  and identify a function  $\mathbf{x} : \widehat{\mathbf{S}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with the vector  $(x_i \mid i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}})$ , where  $x_i = \mathbf{x}(i)$ . For a representation  $M \in \text{rep } \mathbf{S}$  we define its (vector) *dimension*  $\dim M \in \mathbb{R}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}}$  as the function  $i \mapsto \dim_{\mathbb{k}} M(i)$ . Actually,  $\dim M \in \mathbb{N}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}}$ ; the latter semigroup we call the *semigroup of dimensions* for  $\mathbf{S}$ .

The Tits form is *integer* in the sense of [12], since  $d_i \mid d_{ij}$  for all possible  $i, j$ . Therefore, (real) *roots* of this form are defined: they are vectors that can be obtained from  $\mathbf{e}_i$  by a series of *reflections*. Recall that the reflection  $\sigma_i$  is defined as the unique non-identical linear map  $\mathbb{R}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}}$  such that  $\sigma_i \mathbf{x}(j) = \mathbf{x}(j)$  for all  $j \neq i$  and  $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{S}}(\sigma_i \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{x})$  for all  $\mathbf{x}$ . One easily sees that

$$d_0 \sigma_0 \mathbf{x}(0) = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}} d_{i0} \mathbf{x}(i) - d_0 \mathbf{x}(0),$$

$$d_i \sigma_i \mathbf{x}(i) = d_{i0} \mathbf{x}(0) - d_i \mathbf{x}(i) - \sum_{j \preccurlyeq i} d_{ij} \mathbf{x}(j) \quad \text{if } i \in \mathbf{S}.$$

We write  $\mathbf{x} > 0$  and call  $\mathbf{x}$  *positive* if  $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$  and  $\mathbf{x}(i) \geq 0$  for all  $i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ . Especially, *positive roots* are defined. Now we are able to formulate the main theorem of our paper.

**Theorem 1.** *A WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  is representation finite if and only if its Tits form is weakly positive, i.e.  $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{x}) > 0$  for each  $\mathbf{x} > 0$ . Moreover, in this case*

- *the dimensions of indecomposable representations of  $\mathbf{S}$  coincide with the positive roots of the form  $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{S}}$ ;*
- *any two indecomposable representations having equal dimensions are isomorphic.*

The fact that representation finite ness implies weakly positivity of the Tits form is general for matrix problems. It follows, for instance, from [5]. The proof of other assertions of Theorem 1 relies upon *reflection functors*, which we shall construct in the next section. Though this construction was inspired by [6], its details are more complicated, so we present them thoroughly.

## 2. Reflection functors

First we define reflections of WBS themselves.

**Definition 5.** 1. *Given a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$ , we set:*

- $V(ii) = \mathbf{K}(i)$  and take for  $\mu(iij)$  and  $\mu(ijj)$  the natural isomorphisms  $\mathbf{K}(i)V(ij) \simeq V(ij)$  and  $V(ij)\mathbf{K}(j) \simeq V(ij)$  as soon as  $V(ij)$  is defined;
- $V(ji) = V(ij)^*$  as soon as  $V(ij)$  is defined;
- $\mu(kji)$  and  $\mu(jik)$  to be the maps corresponding to  $\mu(ikj)$  via the isomorphisms (1.1) as soon as  $\mu(ikj)$  is defined.

One easily checks that the associativity conditions hold for these maps too, while the non-degeneracy conditions turn into surjectivity of the maps  $\mu(j0i)$  for all  $i, j \in \mathbf{S}$ ,  $j < i$ .

2. We call an element  $p \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  a source (a sink) if it is a maximal element of  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^-$  (respectively, a minimal element of  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}^+$ ). Especially, 0 is a source (a sink) if and only if  $\mathbf{S}^- = \emptyset$  (respectively,  $\mathbf{S}^+ = \emptyset$ ).
3. For any source or a sink  $p$  we define the reflected WBS  $\mathbf{S}_p$  with the same underlying poset and the same values of  $\mathbf{K}(i)$  as follows:

- (a) If  $p \in \mathbf{S}^-$  ( $p \in \mathbf{S}^+$ ) is a source (respectively, a sink), then  $\mathbf{S}_p^- = \mathbf{S}^- \setminus \{p\}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_p^+ = \mathbf{S}^+ \cup \{p\}$  (respectively,  $\mathbf{S}_p^+ = \mathbf{S}^+ \setminus \{p\}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_p^- = \mathbf{S}^- \cup \{p\}$ );
- (b) If 0 is a source (a sink), then  $\mathbf{S}^- = \mathbf{S}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}^+ = \emptyset$  (respectively,  $\mathbf{S}^+ = \mathbf{S}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}^- = \emptyset$ ).

The new values of  $V(ij)$  and  $\mu(ikj)$  are defined as in item (1).

Note that if  $p$  is a source (a sink) in  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ , it becomes a sink (respectively, a source) in  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}_p$ .

We also consider the dual WBS.

**Definition 6.** Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be a WBS,  $M = (M, f)$  be a representation of  $\mathbf{S}$ . The dual WBS  $\mathbf{S}^\circ$  and the dual representation  $M^\circ(M^\circ, f^\circ)$  are defined as follows:

1. As an ordered set,  $\mathbf{S}^\circ$  is opposite to  $\mathbf{S}$ , i.e. consists of the same elements, but  $i < j$  in  $\mathbf{S}^\circ$  if and only if  $j < i$  in  $\mathbf{S}$ . The bijection is given by the rule  $\mathbf{S}^{\circ\pm} = \mathbf{S}^\mp$ . The skewfields  $\mathbf{K}^\circ(i)$  are opposite to  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ ,  $V^\circ(ij) = V(ji)$  as an  $\mathbf{K}^\circ(i)$ - $\mathbf{K}^\circ(j)$ -bimodule, and  $\mu^\circ(ikj) = \mu(jki)$  under the natural identification of  $V^\circ(ik)V^\circ(kj)$  with  $V(jk)V(ki)$ .
2.  $M^\circ(i) = M(i)^*$  and  $f^\circ(i) = \widetilde{f(i)^*}$ , namely,
  - (a) if  $i \in \mathbf{S}^{\circ+} = \mathbf{S}^-$ , then  $f(i) : M(i) \rightarrow V(i0)M(0)$ , thus  $f(i)^* : M(0)^*V(i0)^* \rightarrow M(i)^*$  and  $\text{tif}(i)^* : M(0)^* = M^\circ(0) \rightarrow M(i)^*V(i0) = V^\circ(0i)M^\circ(i)$ ;

(b) if  $i \in \mathbf{S}^{\circ-} = \mathbf{S}^+$ , then  $f(i) : M(0) \rightarrow V(0i)M(i)$ , thus  $f(i)^* : M(i)^*V(0i)^* \rightarrow M(0)^*$  and  $\widetilde{f(i)^*} : M(i)^* = M^{\circ}(i) \rightarrow M(0)^*V(0i) = V^{\circ}(i0)M^{\circ}(0)$ .

3. If  $\phi \in \text{hom}_{\mathbf{S}}(\widetilde{M}, \widetilde{N})$ , we define  $\phi^{\circ} : N^{\circ} \rightarrow M^{\circ}$  setting  $\phi^{\circ}(i) = \widetilde{\phi(i)^*}$  and  $\phi^{\circ}(ij) = \phi(ji)^*$ .

The following result is then evident.

**Proposition 1.** *Definition 22 establishes a duality functor  $^{\circ} : \text{rep } \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \text{rep } \mathbf{S}^{\circ}$ , i.e. an equivalence  $\text{rep } \mathbf{S} \rightarrow (\text{rep } \mathbf{S}^{\circ})^{\text{op}}$  such that there is a natural isomorphism  $M \simeq (M^{\circ})^{\circ}$ . Thus there is a one-to-one correspondence between indecomposable representations of  $\mathbf{S}$  and  $\mathbf{S}^{\circ}$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{S}$  is representation finite if and only if so is  $\mathbf{S}^{\circ}$ .*

We introduce some useful notations.

**Definition 7.** *Let  $M = (M, f)$  be a representation of a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$ ,  $p \in \mathbf{S}$ . We set:*

$$M^+(p) = \bigoplus_{p \leq i, i \in \mathbf{S}^+} V(pi)M(i),$$

$$M^-(p) = \bigoplus_{i \leq p, i \in \mathbf{S}^-} V(pi)M(i),$$

$f^+(p) : V(p0)M(0) \rightarrow M^+(p)$  is the map with the components

$$f^+(pi) : V(p0)M(0) \xrightarrow{1f(i)} V(p0)V(0i)M(i) \xrightarrow{\mu(p0i)1} V(pi)M(i),$$

$f^-(p) : M^-(p) \rightarrow V(p0)M(0)$  is the map with the components

$$f^-(pi) : V(pi)M(i) \xrightarrow{1f(i)} V(pi)V(i0)M(0) \xrightarrow{\mu(pi0)1} V(p0)M(0).$$

We define  $M^{\pm}(0)$  and  $f^{\pm}(0)$  by analogous formulae, just omitting conditions “ $p \leq i$ ” and “ $i \leq p$ ” under the summation sign.

Now we construct the reflection functors  $\Sigma_p : \text{rep } \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \text{rep } \mathbf{S}_p$ .

**Definition 8.** *Let  $M = (M, f)$  be a representations of a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$ ,  $p \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  is a source or a sink. We define a representation  $\Sigma_p M = (M', f')$  of the WBS  $\mathbf{S}_p$  as follows (in all cases  $M'(i) = M(i)$  for all  $i \neq p$ ):*

1. If  $p \in \mathbf{S}^-$  is a source, we set  $f'(i) = f(i)$  for  $i \neq p$ ,  $M'(p) = \ker f^+(p) / \text{Im } f^-(p)$ , choose a retraction  $\rho_M : V(p0)M(0) \rightarrow \ker f^+(p)$  and set  $f'(p) = \widetilde{\pi_M \rho_M}$ , where  $\pi_M$  is the natural surjection  $\ker f^+(p) \rightarrow M'(p)$ .

2. If  $p = 0$  is a source, we set  $M'(0) = \text{Cok } f^+$  and  $f'(i) = \widetilde{\pi_M(i)}$ , where  $\pi_M(i)$  is the  $i$ -th component of the natural surjection  $\pi_M : M^+(p) \rightarrow M'(0)$ .
3. If  $p \in \mathbf{S}^+$  is a sink, we set  $f'(i) = f(i)$  if  $i \neq p$ ,  $M'(p) = \ker f^+(p) / \text{Im } f^-(p)$ , choose a section  $\sigma_M : \text{Cok } f_p^- \rightarrow V(p0)M(0)$  and set  $f'(p) = \sigma_M \varepsilon_M$ , where  $\varepsilon_M$  is the natural injection  $M'(p) \rightarrow \text{Cok } f^-(p)$ .
4. If  $0$  is a sink, we set  $M'(0) = \ker f^-(0)$  and  $f'(i) = \widetilde{\varepsilon_M(i)}$ , where  $\varepsilon_M(i)$  is the  $i$ -th component of the embedding  $\varepsilon_M : M'(0) \rightarrow M^-(0)$ .

Evidently,  $M'$  is indeed a representation of  $\mathbf{S}_p$ . In cases 1 and 3 these definitions depend on the choice of  $\rho_M$  and  $\sigma_M$ . Nevertheless, Corollary 27 below will show that another choice of  $\eta_M$  and  $\sigma_M$  gives isomorphic representations of  $\mathbf{S}_p$ .

We also define *reflected morphisms* morphisms.

**Definition 9.** Keep the notations of Definition 25, and let  $\phi : M \rightarrow N$  be a morphism of representations, where  $N = (N, g)$ . We define a morphism  $\Sigma_p \phi = \phi' : \Sigma_p M \rightarrow \Sigma_p(N)$  as follows (again we set  $\phi'(i) = \phi(i)$  and  $\phi'(ij) = \phi(ij)$  if  $i \neq p, j \neq p$ ):

1. Let  $p \in \mathbf{S}^-$  be a source. Then  $f^+(p)$  induces an injection  $\text{Im}(1 - \theta\rho_M) \rightarrow M^+(p)$ , where  $\theta$  is the embedding  $\ker f^+(p) \rightarrow V(p0)M(0)$ , so we can choose a homomorphism  $\xi : M^+(p) \rightarrow V(p0)M(0)$  such that  $\xi f^+(p) = \theta\rho_M - 1$ . We set
  - $\phi'(p)(x + \text{Im } f^-(p)) = (1\phi(0))(x) + \text{Im } g^-(p)$  for every  $x \in \ker f^+(p)$ . Note that the definition of morphisms implies that  $1\phi(0)$  maps  $\ker f^+(p)$  to  $\ker g^+(p)$  and  $\text{Im } f^-(p)$  to  $\text{Im } g^-(p)$ .
  - $\phi'(pi) = \widetilde{\psi(i)}$ , where  $i > p$ ,  $\psi(i) = \pi_N \rho_N (1\phi(0)) \xi(i)$  and  $\xi(i)$  is the  $i$ -th component of  $\xi$ .
2. Let  $p = 0$  be a source. Then we choose a section  $\eta : M'(0) \rightarrow M^+(0)$  and set
  - $\phi'(0) = \pi_N \phi^+ \eta$ , where  $\phi^+ : M^+(0) \rightarrow N^+(0)$  has the  $(ij)$ -th component  $1\phi(i)$  if  $i = j$ ,  $(\mu(pji)1)(1\phi(ij))$  if  $i < j$ , and  $0$  if  $j < i$ .
3. Let  $p \in \mathbf{S}^+$  be a sink. Then  $g^-(p)$  induces an surjection  $N^-(p) \rightarrow \text{Im}(1 - \sigma_N \tau)$ , where  $\tau$  is the natural surjection  $V(p0)N(0) \rightarrow \text{Cok } g^-(p)$ , so we can choose a homomorphism  $\eta : V(p0)N(0) \rightarrow N^-(p)$  such that  $g^-(p)\eta = \sigma_N \tau - 1$ . We set



- $\phi'(p)(x + \text{Im } f^-(p)) = (1\phi(0))(x) + \text{Im } g^-(p)$  for every  $x \in \ker f^+(p)$ .
- $\phi'(ip) = \eta(i)(1\phi(0))f'(p)$ , where  $i < p$  and  $\eta(i)$  is the  $i$ -th component of  $\eta$ . (Recall that  $f'(p) = \sigma_M \varepsilon_M$ .)

4. Let  $p = 0$  be a sink. Then we choose a retraction  $\xi : N^-(0) \rightarrow N'(0)$  and set

- $\phi'(0) = \xi\phi^-\varepsilon_M$ , where  $\phi^- : M^-(0) \rightarrow N^-(0)$  has the  $(ij)$ -th component  $1\phi(i)$  if  $i = j$ ,  $(\mu(pji)1)(1\phi(ij))$  if  $i < j$ , and 0 if  $j < i$ .

Again, this construction depends on the choice of  $\xi$  or  $\eta$ . Nevertheless, we shall show that, after some non-essential factorization, this dependence disappears.

**Definition 10.** We denote by  $T^p$  the trivial representation at the point  $p$ , i.e. such that  $T^p(p) = \mathbb{k}$ ,  $T^p(i) = 0$  for  $i \neq p$ , by  $I_p$  the ideal of  $\text{rep } \mathbf{S}$  generated by the identity morphism of  $T^p$  and by  $\text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S}$  the factor-category  $\text{rep } \mathbf{S}/I_p$ . We call a representation  $M$   $T^p$ -free if it has no direct summands isomorphic to  $T^p$ .

The construction of  $\Sigma_p M$  implies that this representation is always  $T^p$ -free. The following result is also evident.

**Proposition 2.** 1. If  $p \in \mathbf{S}^-$ ,  $M$  is  $T^p$ -free if and only if

$$f(p)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i < p} \text{Im } f^-(p)(i) \right) = 0.$$

2. If  $p \in \mathbf{S}^+$ ,  $M$  is  $T^p$ -free if and only if

$$\widetilde{f(p)} \left( \bigcap_{i > p} \ker f^+(p)(i) \right) = M(p).$$

3.  $M$  is  $T^\omega$ -free if and only if  $\ker f^+(\omega) \subseteq \text{Im } f^-(\omega)$ .

**Proposition 3.** We keep the notations of Definitions 25 and 26.

1.  $\Sigma_p \phi$  is indeed a morphism  $\Sigma_p M \rightarrow \Sigma_p N$ .
2. If we choose another homomorphism  $\xi'$  or  $\eta'$  instead of  $\xi$  or  $\eta$ , satisfying the same conditions. Denote the obtained morphism  $\Sigma_p M \rightarrow \Sigma_p N$  by  $\phi''$ . Then  $\phi' - \phi'' \in I_p$ .

*Proof.* We check the case (3); the case (1) is quite similar and the cases (2) and (4) are even easier. To prove that  $\phi'$  is a morphism, we only have to verify that

$$g'(p)\phi'(p) = (1\phi'(0))f'(p) + \sum_{i < p} (\mu(pi0)1)(1g(i))\phi'(ip).$$

First note that  $\phi'(p)$  coincides with  $\rho'\tau(1\phi(0))\sigma_M\varepsilon_M$ , where  $\rho' : \text{Cok } g^-(p) \rightarrow N'(p)$  is any retraction. Thus

$$g'(p)\phi'(p) = \sigma_N\varepsilon_N\rho'\tau(1\phi(0))\sigma_M\varepsilon_M = \sigma_N\tau(1\phi(0))f'(p).$$

On the other hand,  $(\mu(pi0)1)(1g(i))$  is the  $i$ -th component  $g^-(p)(i)$  of  $g^-(p)$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu(pi0)1)(1g(i))\phi'(ip) &= g^-(p)(i)\eta(i)(1\phi(0))f'(p) = \\ &= (\sigma_N(i)\tau(i) - 1)(1\phi(0))f'(p). \end{aligned}$$

Thus also

$$(1\phi'(0))f'(p) + \sum_{i < p} (\mu(pi0)1)(1g(i))\phi'(ip) = \sigma_N\tau(1\phi(0))f'(p).$$

If we choose another  $\eta'$  such that  $g^-(p)\eta' = \sigma_N\tau - 1$  then  $\delta = \phi' - \phi''$  has all components zero except maybe  $\delta(ip) = \gamma(i)(1\phi(0))f'(p)$ , where  $\gamma = \eta - \eta'$  and  $g^-(p)\gamma = 0$ . Hence,  $\delta = \delta'\delta''$ , where  $\delta'' : M' \rightarrow rT^p$  ( $r = \dim_{\mathbb{K}(p)} M'(p)$ ) has all components zero except  $\delta''(p) = 1$ , while  $\delta' : rT^p \rightarrow N'$  has all components zero except  $\delta'(ip) = \delta(ip)$ . All relations that we have to verify to show that  $\delta'$  and  $\delta''$  are indeed morphisms are trivial, except the only one for  $\delta'$  at the point  $p$ . But the latter coincide with the corresponding relation for  $\delta$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *The constructions of subsections 24 and 25 actually defines a functor  $F_p : \text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S}_p$ . In particular, the isomorphism class of  $F_p M$  does not depend on the choice of  $\rho_M$  in case 1 or  $\sigma_M$  in case 3.*

**Proposition 4.** *If  $p$  is a source or a sink,  $F_{pp} \simeq \text{Id}$ , the identity functor of the category  $\text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S}$ . Therefore  $F_p : \text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \text{rep}^{(p)} \mathbf{S}_p$  is an equivalence.*

*Proof.* Again we only consider the case 1, when  $p \in \mathbf{S}^-$  is a source. Let  $M = (M, f)$  be a  $T^p$ -free representation of  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{S})$ ,  $M' = (M', f') = F_p M$  and  $M'' = (M'', f'') = F_p M'$ . All components of  $M'$  and  $M''$  coincide with those of  $M$  except  $M'(p) = \ker f^+(p)/\text{Im } f^-(p)$ ,  $f'(p) = \widetilde{\pi_M \rho_M}$  and  $M''(p) = \ker f'^+(p)/\text{Im } f'^-(p)$ ,  $f''(p) = \sigma_{M'}\varepsilon_{M'}$ . By definition,

$M'^+(p) = M^+(p) \oplus M'(p)$  and  $f'^+(p)(p) = \pi_M \rho_M$ , hence  $\ker f'^+(p) = \ker f^+(p) \cap \ker \pi_M \rho_M = \text{Im } f^-(p)$ . Thus  $M''(p) = \text{Im } f^-(p) / \sum_{i < p} \text{Im } f^-(p)(i)$ . By 23 (1),  $f(p)$  is injective and  $\text{Im } f^-(p) = \text{Im } f(p) \oplus \sum_{i < p} \text{Im } f^-(p)(i)$ . Therefore the natural map  $\iota : M(p) \rightarrow M''(p)$  is bijective. Moreover, we can choose a section  $\sigma_{M'}$  so that  $\varepsilon_{M'} \sigma_{M'}$  coincides with this bijection. Then we obtain an isomorphism  $\phi : M \rightarrow M''$  setting  $\phi(p) = \iota$ ,  $\phi(i) = 1$  for  $i \neq p$  and  $\phi(ij) = 0$  for all possible  $i, j$ . Obviously, this construction is functorial modulo the ideal  $I_p$ , so we get an isomorphism of functors  $\text{Id} \simeq F_{pp}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 11.** 1. Let  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m)$  be a sequence of elements of  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ . We call it admissible and define  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}}$  by the following recursive rules:

- If  $m = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$  is admissible if and only if  $p_1$  is a source or a sink; then  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{S}_{p_1}$ .
  - If  $m > 1$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$  is admissible if and only if  $p_1$  is a source or a sink in  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{q}}$ , where  $\mathbf{q} = (p_2, p_3, \dots, p_m)$ ; then  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}} = (\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{q}})_{p_1}$ .
2. If  $p_m$  is a source (a sink) and, for every  $k < m$ ,  $p_k$  is a source (respectively, a sink) in  $\mathbf{S}_{(p_{k+1}, p_{k+2}, \dots, p_m)}$ , we call the sequence  $\mathbf{p}$  a source sequence (respectively, a sink sequence).
3. We set  $\mathbf{p}^* = (p_m, p_{m-1}, \dots, p_1)$ .
4. If  $\mathbf{p}$  is admissible, we denote by  $\Sigma_{\mathbf{p}}$  the composition  $\Sigma_{p_1} \Sigma_{p_2} \dots \Sigma_{p_m}$  and by  $I_{\mathbf{p}}$  the ideal in  $\text{rep } \mathbf{S}$  generated by the identity morphisms of the representations  $T^{(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)} = \Sigma_{(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{k-1})} T^{p_k}$  ( $1 \leq k \leq m$ ). We set  $\text{rep}^{(\mathbf{p})} \mathbf{S} = \text{rep } \mathbf{S} / I_{\mathbf{p}}$ .

**Corollary 2.** If a sequence  $\mathbf{p}$  is admissible, the functor  $\Sigma_{\mathbf{p}}$  establishes an equivalence  $\text{rep}^{(\mathbf{p})} \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \text{rep}^{(\mathbf{p}^*)} \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}}$ , the inverse equivalence being  $\Sigma_{\mathbf{p}^*}$ . In particular, there is a one-to-one correspondence between indecomposable representations of  $\mathbf{S}$  and  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}}$ ; thus  $\mathbf{S}$  is representation finite if and only if so is  $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}}$ .

### 3. Proof of the Main Theorem

Now we are able to prove the sufficiency in Theorem 1. In this section  $\mathbf{S}$  denotes a WBS with a weakly positive Tits form. For any dimension vector  $\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{N}^{\widehat{\mathbf{S}}}$  we consider the set  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$  of representations of  $\mathbf{S}$  of dimension  $\mathbf{d}$ , namely such representations  $M \in \text{rep } \mathbf{S}$  that  $M(i)$  is a fixed  $\mathbf{K}(i)$ -vector space  $U(i)$  of dimension  $\mathbf{d}(i)$ . This set can be considered

as the set of  $\mathbb{k}$ -valued points of an affine algebraic variety over  $\mathbb{k}$ . The dimension of this variety is at most

$$Q_{\mathbf{S}}^-(\mathbf{d}) = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}} d_{i0} \mathbf{d}(i) \mathbf{d}(0) - \sum_{i \ll j} d_{ij} \mathbf{d}(i) \mathbf{d}(j).$$

Isomorphisms between these representations can be considered as  $\mathbb{k}$ -valued elements of a linear algebraic group  $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{d})$  of dimension

$$Q_{\mathbf{S}}^+(\mathbf{d}) = \sum_{i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}} d_i \mathbf{d}(i)^2 + \sum_{i \ll j, i, j \in \mathbf{S}} d_{ij} \mathbf{d}(i) \mathbf{d}(j).$$

The isomorphism classes are just the orbits of this group. Note that  $Q_{\mathbf{S}} = Q_{\mathbf{S}}^+ - Q_{\mathbf{S}}^-$ . We denote by  $\text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$  the subset of indecomposable representations from  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$ .

In what follows we suppose that the field  $\mathbb{k}$  is *infinite* (the case of finite fields can be then treated as in [1], and we omit the details, which are quite standard). Then one easily sees that the  $\mathbb{k}$ -valued points are dense in the variety of representations, as well as in the group  $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{d})$ . Especially, if  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$  has finitely many orbits, each component of this variety is actually a closure of some orbit. Recall that a representation  $M$  of a WBS  $\mathbf{S}$  is called *sincere* if  $M(i) \neq 0$  for each  $i \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ .

We prove the sufficiency using induction on  $|\mathbf{S}|$ . Especially, we can suppose that  $\mathbf{S}$  only has finitely many *non-sincere* indecomposable representations. More precisely, we prove the following result.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be a WBS with weakly positive Tits form. Then*

1.  $\mathbf{S}$  is representation finite.
2.  $\text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $\mathbf{d}$  is a root of the Tits form. In this case  $\text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$  consists of a unique orbit, which is dense in  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$ .
3. If  $M$  is a sincere indecomposable representation of  $\mathbf{S}$ , there is a source (as well as a sink) sequence  $\mathbf{p}$  such that  $M \simeq \Sigma_{\mathbf{p}} N$  for a non-sincere representation  $N \in \text{rep}(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}^*})$ .

Our proof, like that of [6] relies on the following lemmas. (Recall that we always suppose that the Tits form is weakly positive.)

**Lemma 1.** *Suppose that the assertions of Theorem 31 hold for  $\mathbf{S}$ . Let  $p$  be a source or a sink in  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ ,  $M = (M, f) \in \text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$ , where  $\mathbf{d} \neq \mathbf{e}_p$ ,  $\mathbf{d}' = \sigma_p \mathbf{d}$ . Then:*

1. If  $\mathbf{d}(p) > 0$ , the map  $f^+(p)$  is surjective and the map  $f^-(p)$  is injective.

2. If  $\mathbf{d}(p) = 0$ ,  $\ker f^+(p) = \text{Im } f^-(p)$ .

*Proof.* It obviously follows from the assertion (2), since the representations satisfying the claimed conditions form an open subset in  $\text{rep}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** *If  $\mathbf{S}$  is a WBS with a weakly positive Tits form,  $p$  is a source or a sink in  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$ ,  $M \in \text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$  and  $\mathbf{d}(p) > 0$ , then  $f^+(p)$  is surjective and  $f^-(p)$  is injective.*

The proof of this lemma practically coincide with that of [6, Lemma 3.3], so we omit it.

**Corollary 3.** *If  $\mathbf{S}$  is a WBS with a weakly positive Tits form,  $M \in \text{ind}(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S})$ ,  $p \in \widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  is a source or a sink in  $\widehat{\mathbf{S}}$  and  $\mathbf{d}(p) \geq 0$ , then  $\dim \Sigma_p M = \sigma_p \dim M$ . Moreover, if  $N$  is another representation with the same properties,  $\text{homs}(M, N) \simeq \text{homs}_p(\Sigma_p M, \Sigma_p N)$ .*

Since the number of positive roots is finite (it follows from [4, Appendix]), Corollary 34 implies the assertion (3) of Theorem 31. Since the assertions (1) and (2) hold for non-sincere representations (by the inductive conjecture), we obtain them for all representations too. It accomplishes the proof of Theorem 34.

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