

Frieze vectors and unitary friezes

The identity frieze for the type \mathbb{A}_3 quiver $Q = 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$

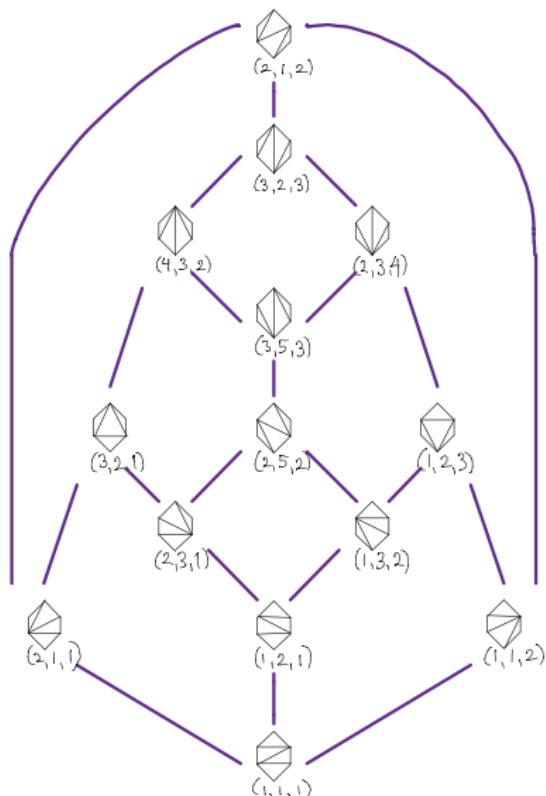
$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & 1 & & 1 & \\
 & x_3 & & \frac{x_1x_3+1+x_2}{x_2x_3} & \frac{x_2+1}{x_1} \\
 & x_2 & & \frac{x_2+2x_2+1+x_1x_3}{x_1x_2x_3} & x_2 \\
 & x_1 & & \frac{x_1x_3+1+x_2}{x_1x_2} & \frac{x_2+1}{x_3} \\
 & 1 & & 1 & \\
 & & & & x_3
 \end{array}$$

Positive integral friezes

Setting $x_1=x_2=x_3=1$ produces a Conway – Coxeter frieze pattern

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & 1 & & 1 & \\
 & 1 & & 3 & \\
 & 1 & & 2 & 5 \\
 & 1 & & 3 & 2 \\
 & 1 & & 1 & \\
 & & & & 1
 \end{array}$$

- ▶ The above frieze corresponds to the frieze vector $(1, 1, 1)$ relative to $Q = 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$.
- ▶ Given any type \mathbb{A}_3 quiver, there are 14 integer frieze vectors (whose values depend on the quiver).



Frieze vectors relative to $Q = 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3$

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Up to symmetry, there are exactly 2 positive friezes of type $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{1,2}$.

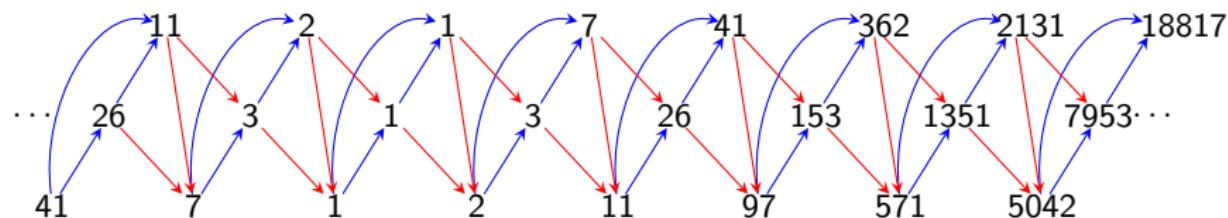


Figure: An $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{1,2}$ frieze obtained by specializing the cluster variables of an acyclic seed to 1. The two peripheral arcs have frieze values 2 and 3.

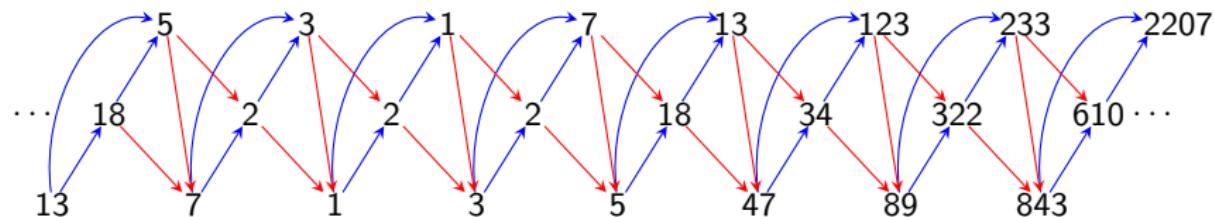


Figure: An $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{1,2}$ frieze obtained by specializing the cluster variables of a non-acyclic seed to 1. The two peripheral arcs have frieze values 1 and 5.