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FROBENIUS CATEGORIES, GORENSTEIN ALGEBRAS AND RATIONAL SURFACE SINGULARITIES

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Dedicated to Ragnar-Olaf Buchweitz on the occasion of his 60th birthday.

ABSTRACT. We give sufficient conditions for a Frobenius category to be equivalent to the category of Gorenstein projective modules over an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring. We then apply this result to the Frobenius category of special Cohen–Macaulay modules over a rational surface singularity, where we show that the associated stable category is triangle equivalent to the singularity category of a certain discrepant partial resolution of the given rational singularity. In particular, this produces uncountably many Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings of finite GP type. We also apply our method to representation theory, obtaining Auslander–Solberg and Kong type results.

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1. INTRODUCTION

This paper is motivated by the study of certain triangulated categories associated to rational surface singularities, first constructed in [IW2]. The purpose is to develop both the algebraic and geometric techniques necessary to give precise information regarding these categories, and to put them into a more conceptual framework. It is only by developing both sides of the picture that we are able to prove the results that we want.

We explain the algebraic side first. Frobenius categories are now ubiquitous in algebra, since they give rise to many of the triangulated categories arising in algebraic and geometric contexts. One of the points of this paper is that we should treat Frobenius categories which admit a ‘non-commutative resolution’ as a special class of Frobenius categories. We show that such a Frobenius category, if it also admits a projective generator, is equivalent

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to the category $\text{GP}(\Gamma)$ of Gorenstein projective modules over some Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring Γ . The precise statement is as follows. We let \mathcal{E} denote a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ for some $P \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$, and set $E := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$.

Theorem 1.1. (*=2.7*) *Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ for some $P \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$. Assume that there exists $M \in \mathcal{E}$ such that $A := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P \oplus M)$ is a noetherian ring of global dimension n . Then*

- (1) $E := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring of dimension at most n .
- (2) We have an equivalence $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -): \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{GP}(E)$ up to direct summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} is idempotent complete. This induces a triangle equivalence

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \underline{\text{GP}}(E) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(E)$$

up to direct summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} or $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ is idempotent complete.

- (3) $\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \text{thick}_{\underline{\mathcal{E}}}(M)$, i.e. the smallest full triangulated subcategory of $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ containing M which is closed under direct summands is $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$.

This abstract result has applications in, and is motivated by, problems in algebraic geometry. If R is a Gorenstein singularity, then the category $\text{CM}(R)$ of maximal Cohen–Macaulay modules over R is a Frobenius category. Moreover if R is a simple surface singularity, then the classical algebraic McKay correspondence can be formulated in terms of the associated stable category $\underline{\text{CM}}(R)$.

When R is not Gorenstein, $\text{CM}(R)$ is no longer Frobenius. However, for a complete local rational surface singularity R over an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, there is a subcategory $\text{SCM}(R) \subseteq \text{CM}(R)$ of *special* CM modules. It was shown in [IW2] that $\text{SCM}(R)$ has a natural Frobenius structure. Our first result is that there are often many different Frobenius structures on $\text{SCM}(R)$, and so the one found in [IW2] is not unique.

Proposition 1.2. (*=3.8*) *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$. Then $\text{SCM}(R)$ has the structure of a Frobenius category whose projective objects are exactly $\text{add } N$.*

For the definition of the module D , we refer the reader to §3. Following 1.2, the question then turns to how we should interpret the resulting quotient $\underline{\text{SCM}}_N(R)$ geometrically. It turns out that the module N in 1.2 corresponds to a selection of exceptional crepant curves in the minimal resolution $Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$. Hence we choose a subset \mathcal{S} of exceptional crepant curves, and write $N = N^{\mathcal{S}}$. Contracting all the curves in \mathcal{S} , we obtain a space $X^{\mathcal{S}}$ together with maps

$$Y \xrightarrow{f^{\mathcal{S}}} X^{\mathcal{S}} \xrightarrow{g^{\mathcal{S}}} \text{Spec } R.$$

Knowledge of the derived category of $X^{\mathcal{S}}$ leads to our main result.

Theorem 1.3. (*=4.6, 4.10*) *Let $N^{\mathcal{S}} \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N^{\mathcal{S}}$. Then there is a derived equivalence between $\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})$ and $X^{\mathcal{S}}$, which induces triangulated equivalences*

$$\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R) \simeq \underline{\text{GP}}(\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(X^{\mathcal{S}}) \simeq \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \underline{\text{CM}}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{X^{\mathcal{S}}, x})$$

where $\text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}$ denotes the set of singular points of $X^{\mathcal{S}}$. In particular, $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is 1-Calabi–Yau, and its shift functor satisfies $[2] = \text{id}$.

The fact that $\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})$ is Iwanaga–Gorenstein follows from 1.1 using the well-known fact that the reconstruction algebra has finite global dimension [IW1, W11b], but we also give a more direct geometric proof. Thus 1.3 shows that $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is nothing other than the usual singularity category of some partial resolution of $\text{Spec } R$. We remark that it is the geometry that determines the last few statements in 1.3, as we are unable to prove them using algebra alone.

The following corollary to 1.3 extends [IW2, 4.11] and gives a ‘relative’ version of Auslander’s algebraic McKay correspondence for all rational surface singularities.

Corollary 1.4. (*=4.14*) *Let $N^{\mathcal{S}} \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N^{\mathcal{S}}$. Then the AR quiver of the category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is the double of the dual graph with respect to the morphism $Y \rightarrow X^{\mathcal{S}}$.*

Using the geometry, we are also able to improve 1.1(1) in the situation of rational surface singularities, since we are able to give the precise value of the injective dimension. The following is a generalization of a known result 3.2 for the case $\text{add } N = \text{SCM}(R)$.

Theorem 1.5. (=4.18) *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$. Then*

$$\text{inj.dim } \text{End}_R(N) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } R \text{ is Gorenstein} \\ 3 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

This gives many new examples of Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings Γ , of finite injective dimension three, for which there are only finitely many Gorenstein–projective modules up to isomorphism. In contrast to the commutative situation, we have the following result.

Theorem 1.6. (=4.19) *Let $G \leq \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ be a finite subgroup, with $G \not\cong E_8$. Then there are uncountably many non-isomorphic Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings Λ with $\text{inj.dim } \Lambda = 3$, such that $\underline{\text{GP}}(\Lambda) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^G)$.*

We give some explicit examples in §6.1.

Conventions and notations. We use the convention that the composition of morphisms $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ in a category is denoted by fg . By a module over a ring A we mean a left module, and we denote by $\text{Mod } A$ (resp. $\text{mod } A$) the category of A -modules (resp. finitely generated A -modules). We denote by $\text{proj } A$ the category of finitely generated projective A -modules. If M is an object of an additive category \mathcal{C} , we denote by $\text{add } M$ all those objects of \mathcal{C} which are direct summands of (finite) direct sums of M . We say that M is an *additive generator* of \mathcal{C} if $\mathcal{C} = \text{add } M$. If \mathcal{T} is a triangulated category and $M \in \mathcal{T}$, we denote by $\text{thick}(M)$ the smallest full triangulated subcategory containing M which is closed under taking direct summands.

2. A MORITA TYPE THEOREM FOR FROBENIUS CATEGORIES

Throughout this section let \mathcal{E} denote a Frobenius category, and denote by $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}$ the full subcategory of projective-injective objects. We denote the stable category of \mathcal{E} by $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$. It has the same objects as \mathcal{E} , but the morphism spaces are defined as $\underline{\text{Hom}}_{\mathcal{E}}(X, Y) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(X, Y) / \mathcal{P}(X, Y)$, where $\mathcal{P}(X, Y)$ is the subspace of morphisms factoring through $\text{proj } \mathcal{E}$. We write \bar{f} for the image in $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ of a morphism f in \mathcal{E} . We refer to Keller’s overview article for definitions and unexplained terminology [K96].

2.1. Frobenius categories as categories of Gorenstein projective modules. Recall that a noetherian ring E is called *Iwanaga–Gorenstein of dimension n* if $\text{inj.dim}_E E \leq n$ and $\text{inj.dim } E_E \leq n$. For an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring E of dimension at most n , we denote by

$$\text{GP}(E) := \{X \in \text{mod } E \mid \text{Ext}_E^i(X, E) = 0 \text{ for any } i > 0\} = \Omega^n(\text{mod } E),$$

the category of *Gorenstein projective E -modules*. This is a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } E$ the subcategory of projective-injective objects.

Remark 2.1. The objects of $\text{GP}(E)$ are sometimes called Cohen–Macaulay modules, but there are reasons why we do not do this; see 3.3 later. They are sometimes called totally reflexive modules.

Definition 2.2. *Let R be a left noetherian ring. The triangulated category $D_{\text{sg}}(R) := D^b(\text{mod } R) / K^b(\text{proj } R)$ is called the singularity category of R .*

Remark 2.3. Let E be an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring. By a result of Buchweitz [B86, 4.4.1 (2)], we have an equivalence of triangulated categories

$$\underline{\text{GP}}(E) \simeq D_{\text{sg}}(E).$$

In our study of Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings, noncommutative resolutions of Frobenius categories, which we now define, play a crucial role.

Definition 2.4. *Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ for some $P \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$. By a noncommutative resolution of \mathcal{E} , we mean $A := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(M)$ for some $M \in \mathcal{E}$ with $P \in \text{add } M$, such that A is noetherian with $\text{gl.dim } A < \infty$.*

The purpose of this section is to show that the existence of a noncommutative resolution puts strong restrictions on \mathcal{E} (2.7).

Remark 2.5. Not every Frobenius category with a projective generator admits a noncommutative resolution. Indeed, let R be a normal Gorenstein surface singularity, over \mathbb{C} , and consider $\mathcal{E} := \text{CM}(R)$. Then any noncommutative resolution in the above sense is automatically a noncommutative crepant resolution (=NCCR), and the existence of an NCCR is well-known to imply that R must have rational singularities [SVdB].

Our strategy to prove 2.7 is based on [AIR, 2.2(a)], but the setup here is somewhat different. We need the following technical observation.

Lemma 2.6. *Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ for some $P \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a morphism in \mathcal{E} such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(f, P)$ is surjective, then there exists an exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{(f \ 0)} Y \oplus P' \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$$

in \mathcal{E} with $P' \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$.

Proof. Let $0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{g} P' \rightarrow X' \rightarrow 0$ be an exact sequence in \mathcal{E} with a projective object P' . By our assumption, we can write $g = fe$. By an axiom of Frobenius categories [K90, Appendix A, Ex2^{op}], we have an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{(f \ fe)} Y \oplus P' \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ in \mathcal{E} . Since $(f \ fe)$ is isomorphic to $(f \ 0)$, we have the assertion. \square

Theorem 2.7. *Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with $\text{proj } \mathcal{E} = \text{add } P$ for some $P \in \text{proj } \mathcal{E}$. Assume that there exists a noncommutative resolution $\text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(M)$ of \mathcal{E} with $\text{gl.dim } \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(M) = n$. Then*

- (1) $E := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring of dimension at most n .
- (2) We have an equivalence $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -) : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{GP}(E)$ up to direct summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} is idempotent complete. This induces a triangle equivalence

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \underline{\text{GP}}(E) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(E)$$

up to direct summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} or $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ is idempotent complete.

- (3) $\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \text{thick}_{\underline{\mathcal{E}}}(M)$.

Proof. Since $P \in \text{add } M$, $\text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(M)$ is Morita equivalent to $A := \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P \oplus M)$ and so $\text{gl.dim } A = n$. It follows from a standard argument that the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -) : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{mod } E$ is fully faithful, restricting to an equivalence $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -) : \text{add } P \rightarrow \text{proj } E$ up to direct summands. We can drop the ‘up to direct summands’ assumption if \mathcal{E} is idempotent complete. We establish (1) in three steps:

- (i) We first show that $\text{Ext}_E^i(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X), E) = 0$ for any $X \in \mathcal{E}$ and $i > 0$. Let

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow P' \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0 \tag{2.A}$$

be an exact sequence in \mathcal{E} with P' projective. Applying $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -)$, we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P') \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X) \rightarrow 0 \tag{2.B}$$

with a projective E -module $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P')$. Applying $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(-, P)$ to (2.A) and $\text{Hom}_E(-, E)$ to (2.B) respectively and comparing them, we have a commutative diagram of exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P', P) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(Y, P) & \longrightarrow & 0 & & \\ \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & & & \\ \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P'), E) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, Y), E) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_E^1(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X), E) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Thus we have $\text{Ext}_E^1(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X), E) = 0$. Since the syzygy of $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X)$ has the same form $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, Y)$, we have $\text{Ext}_E^i(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, X), E) = 0$ for any $i > 0$.

- (ii) We show that for any $X \in \text{mod } E$, there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Q_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow Q_0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0 \tag{2.C}$$

of E -modules with $Q_i \in \text{add } \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P \oplus M)$.

Define an A -module by $\tilde{X} := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P \oplus M, P) \otimes_E X$. Let e be the idempotent of $A = \text{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P \oplus M)$ corresponding to the direct summand P of $P \oplus M$. Then we have $eAe = E$ and $e\tilde{X} = X$. Since the global dimension of A is at most n , there exists a projective resolution

$$0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow \tilde{X} \rightarrow 0.$$

Applying $e(-)$ and using $eA = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P \oplus M)$, we have the assertion.

(iii) By (i) and (ii), we have that $\text{Ext}_E^{n+1}(X, E) = 0$ for any $X \in \text{mod } E$, and so the injective dimension of the E -module E is at most n . The dual argument shows that the injective dimension of the E^{op} -module E is at most n . Thus E is Iwanaga–Gorenstein, which shows (1).

(2) By (i) again, we have a functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -) : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{GP}(E)$, and it is fully faithful. We will now show that it is dense up to direct summands.

For any $X \in \text{GP}(E)$, we take an exact sequence (2.C). Since $Q_i \in \text{add Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P \oplus M)$, we have a complex

$$M_n \xrightarrow{f_n} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_0} M_0 \quad (2.D)$$

in \mathcal{E} with $M_i \in \text{add}(P \oplus M)$ such that

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, M_n) \xrightarrow{f_n} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_0} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, M_0) \rightarrow X \oplus Y \rightarrow 0 \quad (2.E)$$

is exact for some $Y \in \text{GP}(E)$. (Note that due to the possible lack of direct summands in \mathcal{E} it is not always possible to choose M_i such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, M_i) = Q_i$.) Applying $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(-, P)$ to (2.D) and $\text{Hom}_E(-, E)$ to (2.E) and comparing them, we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(M_0, P) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(M_n, P) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow \wr & & & & \downarrow \wr & & \\ \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, M_0), E) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, M_n), E) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

where the lower sequence is exact since $X \oplus Y \in \text{GP}(E)$. Thus the upper sequence is also exact. But applying 2.6 repeatedly to (2.D), we have a complex

$$0 \rightarrow M_n \xrightarrow{(f_n \ 0)} M_{n-1} \oplus P_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} f_{n-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} M_{n-2} \oplus P_{n-1} \oplus P_{n-2} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow M_0 \oplus P_1 \oplus P_0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

with projective objects P_i which is a glueing of exact sequences in \mathcal{E} . Then we have $X \oplus Y \oplus \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P_0) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, N)$, and we have the assertion. The final statement follows by 2.3.

(3) The existence of (2.C) implies that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -)$ gives a triangle equivalence $\text{thick}_{\mathcal{E}}(M) \rightarrow \underline{\text{GP}}(E)$ up to direct summands. Thus the natural inclusion $\text{thick}_{\mathcal{E}}(M) \rightarrow \underline{\mathcal{E}}$ is also a triangle equivalence up to direct summands. This must be an isomorphism since $\text{thick}_{\mathcal{E}}(M)$ is closed under direct summands in $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$. \square

We note the following more general version stated in terms of functor categories [A66b]. For an additive category \mathcal{P} we denote by $\text{Mod } \mathcal{P}$ the category of contravariant additive functors from \mathcal{P} to the category of abelian groups. For $X \in \mathcal{E}$, we have a \mathcal{P} -module $H_X := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(-, X)|_{\mathcal{P}}$. We denote by $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ the full subcategory of $\text{Mod } \mathcal{P}$ consisting of finitely presented objects. Similarly we define $\text{Mod } \mathcal{P}^{\text{op}}$, H^X and $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}^{\text{op}}$. If \mathcal{P} has pseudokernels (respectively, pseudocokernels), then $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}$ (respectively, $\text{mod } \mathcal{P}^{\text{op}}$) is an abelian category.

Theorem 2.8. *Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with the category \mathcal{P} of projective objects. Assume that there exists a full subcategory \mathcal{M} of \mathcal{E} such that \mathcal{M} contains \mathcal{P} , \mathcal{M} has pseudokernels and pseudocokernels and $\text{mod } \mathcal{M}$ and $\text{mod } \mathcal{M}^{\text{op}}$ have global dimension at most n . Then*

(1) \mathcal{P} is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein category of dimension at most n , i.e. $\text{Ext}_{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}}^i(-, H_P) = 0$ and $\text{Ext}_{\text{mod } \mathcal{P}^{\text{op}}}^i(-, H^P) = 0$ for all $P \in \mathcal{P}$, $i > n$.

(2) For the category

$$\text{GP}(\mathcal{P}) := \{X \in \text{mod } \mathcal{P} \mid \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^i(X, H_P) = 0 \text{ for any } i > 0 \text{ and } P \in \mathcal{P}\}$$

of Gorenstein projective \mathcal{P} -modules, we have an equivalence $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{GP}(\mathcal{P})$, $X \mapsto H_X$ up to summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} is idempotent complete. This induces a triangle equivalence

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \underline{\mathrm{GP}}(\mathcal{P}) \simeq \mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{sg}}(\mathcal{P}).$$

up to summands. It is an equivalence if \mathcal{E} or $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ is idempotent complete.

(3) $\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \mathrm{thick}_{\underline{\mathcal{E}}}(M)$.

Remark 2.9. In the setting of 2.8, we remark that [C12, 4.2] also gives an embedding $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{GP}(\mathcal{P})$.

2.2. Alternative Approach. We now give an alternative proof of 2.7 by using certain factors of derived categories. This will be necessary to interpret some results later. We retain the setup from the previous subsection, in particular \mathcal{E} always denotes a Frobenius category. Recall the following.

Definition 2.10. Let $N \in \mathbb{Z}$. A complex P^* of projective objects in \mathcal{E} is called acyclic in degrees $\leq N$ if there exist exact sequences in \mathcal{E}

$$Z^n(P^*) \xrightarrow{i_n} P^n \xrightarrow{p_n} Z^{n+1}(P^*)$$

such that $d_{P^*}^n = p_n i_{n+1}$ holds for all $n \leq N$. Let $\mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}) \subseteq \mathrm{K}^-(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E})$ be the full subcategory consisting of those complexes which are acyclic in degrees $\leq d$ for some $d \in \mathbb{Z}$. This defines a triangulated subcategory of $\mathrm{K}^-(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E})$ (c.f. [KV]).

Taking projective resolutions yields a functor $\mathbb{P}: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E})$. We need the following dual version of [KV, 2.3].

Proposition 2.11. The functor \mathbb{P} induces an equivalence of triangulated categories

$$\mathbb{P}: \underline{\mathcal{E}} \longrightarrow \mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}) / \mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}).$$

Corollary 2.12. If there exists $P \in \mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}$ such that $\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E} = \mathrm{add} P$ and moreover $E = \mathrm{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$ is left noetherian, then there is a fully faithful triangle functor

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}: \underline{\mathcal{E}} \longrightarrow \mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{sg}}(E). \quad (2.F)$$

Proof. The fully faithful functor $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -): \mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{proj} E$ induces a fully faithful triangle functor $\mathrm{K}^-(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathrm{K}^-(\mathrm{proj} E)$. Its restriction $\mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} E)$ is well defined since P is projective. Define $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ as the composition

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \frac{\mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E})}{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E})} \longrightarrow \frac{\mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} E)}{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} E)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} E)}{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} E)},$$

where \mathbb{P} is the equivalence from 2.11 and the last functor is induced by the well-known triangle equivalence $\mathrm{K}^{-,b}(\mathrm{proj} E) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} E)$. \square

In the special case when E is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring and $\mathcal{E} := \mathrm{GP}(E)$, the functor \mathbb{P} in (2.F) was shown to be an equivalence in [B86, 4.4.1(2)] (see 2.3). In the general Frobenius setting, below in 2.14 we give a sufficient criterion for \mathbb{P} to be an equivalence. To do this requires the following result.

Proposition 2.13. Let A be a left noetherian ring and let $e \in A$ be an idempotent. The exact functor $\mathbb{G} = \mathrm{Hom}_A(Ae, -)$ induces a triangle equivalence

$$\underline{\mathbb{G}}: \frac{\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} A) / \mathrm{thick}(Ae)}{\mathrm{thick}(\mathrm{mod} A/AeA)} \longrightarrow \frac{\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} eAe)}{\mathrm{thick}(eAe)}, \quad (2.G)$$

where $\mathrm{thick}(Ae)$ is the smallest triangulated subcategory of $\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} A)$ which contains Ae and which is closed under taking direct summands.

Proof. Taking $e = f$ in [KY, Proposition 4.3] yields the triangle equivalence (2.G). \square

Theorem 2.14. Let \mathcal{E} be a Frobenius category with $\mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E} = \mathrm{add} P$ for some $P \in \mathrm{proj} \mathcal{E}$. Assume that there exists $M \in \mathcal{E}$ such that $A := \mathrm{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P \oplus M)$ is a left noetherian ring of global dimension n , and denote $E := \mathrm{End}_{\mathcal{E}}(P)$. Then

- (1) $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}: \underline{\mathcal{E}} \longrightarrow \mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{sg}}(E)$ is a triangle equivalence up to direct summands.
- (2) $\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \mathrm{thick}_{\underline{\mathcal{E}}}(M)$.

Proof. Let $e \in A$ be the idempotent corresponding to the identity endomorphism 1_P of P , then $eAe = E$. We have the following commutative diagram of categories and functors.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \frac{(\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} A)/\mathrm{thick}(Ae))}{q(\mathrm{thick}(\mathrm{mod} A/AeA))} & \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{G} & \frac{\mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} eAe)}{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} eAe)} & \xleftarrow{\tilde{\mathbb{P}}} & \mathcal{E} \\
 \uparrow \mathbb{I}_1 & & \uparrow \mathbb{I}_2 & & \uparrow \mathbb{I}_3 \\
 \frac{(\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} A)/\mathrm{thick}(Ae))}{q(\mathrm{thick}(\mathrm{mod} A/AeA))} & \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{G}^{\mathrm{restr.}} & \frac{\mathrm{thick}(eA)}{\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} eAe)} & \xleftarrow{\tilde{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{restr.}}} & \mathrm{thick}(M)
 \end{array}$$

where \mathbb{I}_i are the natural inclusions. Since A has finite global dimension the inclusion $\mathrm{K}^b(\mathrm{proj} A) \rightarrow \mathrm{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} A)$ is an equivalence and so \mathbb{I}_1 is an equivalence. But \mathbb{G} is an equivalence from 2.13, and $\mathbb{G}^{\mathrm{restr.}}$ denotes its restriction. It is also an equivalence since \mathbb{G} maps the generator A to eA . Thus, by commutativity of the left square we deduce that \mathbb{I}_2 is an equivalence. Now $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ denotes the fully faithful functor from 2.12, so since $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ maps $P \oplus M$ to $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, P \oplus M)$, which is isomorphic to eA as left eAe -modules, the restriction $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{restr.}}$ is a triangle equivalence up to summands. Hence the fully faithful functors $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ and \mathbb{I}_3 are also equivalences, up to summands. \square

2.3. A result of Auslander–Solberg. Let K be a field and denote $D := \mathrm{Hom}_K(-, K)$. The following is implicitly included in Auslander–Solberg’s relative homological algebra [AS1] (compare [C12, 5.1]), and will be required later (in §3 and §6) to produce examples of Frobenius categories on which we can apply our previous results.

Proposition 2.15. *Let \mathcal{E} be a K -linear exact category with enough projectives \mathcal{P} and enough injectives \mathcal{I} . Assume that there exist an equivalence $\tau: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{E}}$ and a functorial isomorphism $\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}^1(X, Y) \simeq D\overline{\mathrm{Hom}}_{\mathcal{E}}(Y, \tau X)$ for any $X, Y \in \mathcal{E}$. Let \mathcal{M} be a functorially finite subcategory of \mathcal{E} containing \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{I} , and satisfies $\tau\mathcal{M} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}$. Then*

- (1) *Let $0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \rightarrow 0$ be an exact sequence in \mathcal{E} . Then $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{M}, g)$ is surjective if and only if $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(f, \mathcal{M})$ is surjective.*
- (2) *\mathcal{E} has the structure of a Frobenius category whose projective objects are exactly $\mathrm{add} \mathcal{M}$.*

Proof. (1) Applying $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{M}, -)$ to $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$, we have an exact sequence

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{M}, Y) \xrightarrow{g} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{M}, Z) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}^1(\mathcal{M}, X) \xrightarrow{f} \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}^1(\mathcal{M}, Y). \quad (2.H)$$

Thus we know that $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{M}, g)$ is surjective if and only if $\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}^1(\mathcal{M}, f)$ is injective. Using the Auslander–Reiten duality, this holds if and only if $\overline{\mathrm{Hom}}_{\mathcal{E}}(f, \tau\mathcal{M})$ is surjective, which holds if and only if $\overline{\mathrm{Hom}}_{\mathcal{E}}(f, \mathcal{M})$ is surjective. This holds if and only if $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{E}}(f, \mathcal{M})$ is surjective.

(2) One can easily check that exact sequences satisfying the conditions in (1) satisfies the axioms of exact categories (see for example [K90]) in which $\mathrm{add} \mathcal{M}$ is a projective and an injective object.

We will show that \mathcal{E} has enough projectives with respect to this exact structure. For any $X \in \mathcal{E}$, we take a right \mathcal{M} -approximation $f: N' \rightarrow X$ of X . Since \mathcal{M} contains \mathcal{P} , any morphism from \mathcal{P} to X factors through f . By a version of 2.6 for exact categories, we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow N' \oplus P \xrightarrow{\binom{f}{0}} X \rightarrow 0.$$

in \mathcal{E} with $P \in \mathcal{P}$. This sequence shows that \mathcal{E} has enough projectives with respect to this exact structure.

Dually we have that \mathcal{E} has enough injectives. Moreover, both projective objects and injective objects are $\mathrm{add} \mathcal{M}$. Thus the assertion holds. \square

3. FROBENIUS STRUCTURES ON SPECIAL COHEN–MACAULAY MODULES

Throughout this section we let R denote a complete local rational surface singularity over an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. Because of the characteristic zero

assumption, rational singularities are always CM. We refer the reader to §4.4 for more details regarding rational surface singularities.

We denote $\text{CM}(R)$ to be the category of Cohen-Macaulay (=CM) R -modules. This category, and all subcategories thereof, are Krull–Schmidt categories since R is complete local. One such subcategory is the category of *special* CM modules, denoted $\text{SCM}(R)$, which consists of all those CM R -modules X satisfying $\text{Ext}_R^1(X, R) = 0$.

The category $\text{SCM}(R)$ is intimately related to the geometry of $\text{Spec } R$. If we denote the minimal resolution of $\text{Spec } R$ by

$$Y \xrightarrow{\pi} \text{Spec } R,$$

and define $\{E_i\}_{i \in I}$ to be the set of exceptional curves, then the following is well known:

Proposition 3.1. (1) *There are only finitely many indecomposable objects in $\text{SCM}(R)$.*
 (2) *Indecomposable non-free objects in $\text{SCM}(R)$ correspond bijectively with $\{E_i\}_{i \in I}$.*

Proof. (2) is Wunram [W88, 1.2] (using [IW1, 2.7] to show that definition of special in [W88] is the same as the one used here), and (1) is a consequence of (2). \square

Thus by 3.1(2) $\text{SCM}(R)$ has an additive generator $M := R \oplus \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$, where by convention M_i is the indecomposable special CM module corresponding to E_i . The corresponding endomorphism ring $\Lambda := \text{End}_R(M)$ is called the *reconstruction algebra* of R . The following is also well-known.

Proposition 3.2. *Consider the reconstruction algebra Λ . Then*

$$\text{gl.dim } \Lambda = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } R \text{ is Gorenstein} \\ 3 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Proof. An algebraic proof can be found in [IW1, 2.10] or [IW2, 2.6]. A geometric proof can be found in [W11b]. \square

Remark 3.3. The reconstruction algebra Λ , and some of the $e\Lambda e$ below, will turn out to be Iwanaga–Gorenstein in §4. However we remark here that Λ is usually *not* Gorenstein in the stronger sense that $\omega_\Lambda := \text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, \omega_R)$ is a projective Λ -module. Thus, unfortunately the objects of $\text{GP}(\Lambda)$ are not simply those Λ -modules that are CM as R -modules, i.e. $\text{GP}(\Lambda) \subsetneq \{X \in \text{mod}(\Lambda) \mid X \in \text{CM}(R)\}$ in general. In this paper we will always reserve ‘CM’ to mean CM as an R -module, and this is why we use the terminology ‘GP’ (=Gorenstein projective) for non-commutative Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings.

We will be considering many different factor categories of $\text{SCM}(R)$, so as to avoid confusion we now fix some notation.

Definition 3.4. *Let $X \in \text{SCM}(R)$. We define the factor category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_X(R)$ to be the category consisting of the same objects as $\text{SCM}(R)$, but where*

$$\text{Hom}_{\underline{\text{SCM}}_X(R)}(a, b) := \frac{\text{Hom}_{\text{SCM}(R)}(a, b)}{\mathcal{X}(a, b)},$$

where $\mathcal{X}(a, b)$ is the subgroup of morphisms $a \rightarrow b$ which factor through an element in $\text{add } X$.

We now partition the set of exceptional curves into two subsets, by writing $I = \mathcal{C} \cup \mathcal{D}$ where \mathcal{C} are all the (C)repant (i.e. -2) curves, and \mathcal{D} are all the (D)iscrepant curves (i.e. the non- (-2) -curves). In this paper, the following module plays a central role.

Definition 3.5. *We define the module $D \in \text{SCM}(R)$ by $D := R \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{d \in \mathcal{D}} M_d\right)$.*

D stands for the largest totally (d)iscrepant module. This module has both algebraic and geometric properties, as we now explain. In algebra the following is known; the geometric properties of D will be established in 4.8 and 4.9 later.

Proposition 3.6. (1) *The category $\text{SCM}(R)$ has the natural structure of a Frobenius category, such that indecomposable projective objects are precisely $\text{add } D$. Consequently $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ is a triangulated category.*

(2) For any indecomposable object X in $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$, there exists an AR triangle of the form

$$X \rightarrow E \rightarrow X \rightarrow X[1].$$

(3) The stable category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ has a Serre functor \mathbb{S} such that $\mathbb{S}X \simeq X[1]$ for any $X \in \underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$.

Proof. (1) The exact sequences are defined using the embedding $\text{SCM}(R) \subseteq \text{mod } R$, and the result follows from [IW2, 4.2].

(2) is [IW2, 4.9].

(3) $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ has AR triangles by (2), so there exists a Serre functor by [RV, I.2.3] such that

$$\tau X \rightarrow E \rightarrow X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}X$$

is the AR triangle. By inspection of (2), we see that $\mathbb{S}X[-1] \simeq X$. \square

Remark 3.7. The above proposition more-or-less asserts that the category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ is 1-Calabi-Yau, but it does not show that the isomorphism in 3.6(3) is functorial. We prove that it is functorial in 4.10, using geometric arguments.

The following important observation, which generalises 3.6(1), is obtained by applying 2.15 to $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M}, \tau) = (\text{SCM}(R), \text{add } N, \mathbb{S}[-1])$.

Proposition 3.8. *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$. Then*

(1) *Let $0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \rightarrow 0$ be an exact sequence of R -modules with $X, Y, Z \in \text{SCM}(R)$. Then $\text{Hom}_R(N, g)$ is surjective if and only if $\text{Hom}_R(f, N)$ is surjective.*

(2) *$\text{SCM}(R)$ has the structure of a Frobenius category whose projective objects are exactly $\text{add } N$. We denote it by $\text{SCM}_N(R)$.*

We maintain the notation from above, in particular $\Lambda := \text{End}_R(M)$ is the reconstruction algebra, where $M := R \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i)$, and $D := R \oplus (\bigoplus_{d \in \mathcal{D}} M_d)$. For any summand N of M , we denote e_N to be the idempotent in Λ corresponding to the summand N . The following is the main result of this section.

Theorem 3.9. *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$. Then*

(1) *$e_N \Lambda e_N = \text{End}_R(N)$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring of dimension at most three.*

(2) *There is an equivalence $\text{Hom}_R(N, -): \text{SCM}(R) \rightarrow \text{GP}(\text{End}_R(N))$ that induces a triangle equivalence*

$$\underline{\text{SCM}}_N(R) \simeq \underline{\text{GP}}(\text{End}_R(N)).$$

Proof. By 3.8(2), $\text{SCM}(R)$ has the structure of a Frobenius category in which $\text{proj } \text{SCM}(R) = \text{add } N$. Since $\text{SCM}(R)$ has finite type, there is some $X \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add}(N \oplus X) = \text{SCM}(R)$, in which case $\text{End}_R(N \oplus X)$ is Morita equivalent to the reconstruction algebra, so $\text{gl.dim } \text{End}_R(N \oplus X) \leq 3$ by 3.2. Hence (1) follows from 2.7(1), and since $\text{SCM}(R)$ is idempotent complete, (2) follows from 2.7(2). \square

Remark 3.10. We will give an entirely geometric proof of 3.9(1) in §4, which also holds in greater generality.

The following corollary will be strengthened in 4.7 later.

Corollary 3.11. *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N \subsetneq \text{add } M$. Then $e_N \Lambda e_N = \text{End}_R(N)$ has infinite global dimension.*

Proof. By 3.9(2), we know that $\underline{\text{SCM}}_N(R) \simeq \underline{\text{GP}}(\text{End}_R(N)) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(\text{End}_R(N))$ where the last equivalence holds by Buchweitz [BS6, 4.4.1(2)]. It is clear that $\underline{\text{SCM}}_N(R) \neq 0$ since $\text{add } N \subsetneq \text{add } M$. Hence $\text{D}_{\text{sg}}(\text{End}_R(N)) \neq 0$, which is well-known to imply that $\text{gl.dim } \text{End}_R(N) = \infty$. \square

4. RELATIONSHIP TO PARTIAL RESOLUTIONS OF RATIONAL SURFACE SINGULARITIES

We show in §4.1 that if an algebra Γ is derived equivalent to a Gorenstein scheme that is projective birational over a CM ring, then Γ is Iwanaga–Gorenstein. In §4.2 we then exhibit algebras derived equivalent to partial resolutions of rational surface singularities, and we then use this information to strengthen many of our previous results.

In this section we will assume that all schemes Y are noetherian, separated, normal CM, of pure Krull dimension $d < \infty$, and are finite type over a field k . This implies that $D(\text{Qcoh } Y)$ is compactly generated, with compact objects precisely the perfect complexes $\text{per}(Y)$ [N96, 2.5, 2.3], and $\omega_Y = g^! k[-\dim Y]$ where $g: Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ is the structure morphism.

4.1. Gorenstein schemes and Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings. Serre functors are somewhat more subtle in the singular setting. Recall from [G06, 7.2.6] the following.

Definition 4.1. *Suppose that $Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$ is a projective birational map where R is a CM ring with canonical module ω_R . We say that a functor $\mathbb{S}: \text{per}(Y) \rightarrow \text{per}(Y)$ is a Serre functor relative to ω_R if there are functorial isomorphisms*

$$\mathbf{RHom}_R(\mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}), \omega_R) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{G}, \mathbb{S}(\mathcal{F}))$$

in $D(\text{Mod } R)$ for all $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \text{per}(Y)$.

Lemma 4.2. *Let Γ be a module finite R -algebra, where R is a CM ring with canonical module ω_R , and suppose that there exists a functor $\mathbb{T}: \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$ such that*

$$\mathbf{RHom}_R(\mathbf{RHom}_\Gamma(a, b), \omega_R) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_Y(b, \mathbb{T}(a))$$

for all $a, b \in \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$. Then $\text{inj.dim } \Gamma_\Gamma < \infty$.

Proof. Denote $(-)^{\dagger} := \mathbf{RHom}_R(-, \omega_R)$. We have $\mathbb{T}(\Gamma) \in \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$, and further

$$\mathbb{T}(\Gamma) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_\Gamma(\Gamma, \mathbb{T}(\Gamma)) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_\Gamma(\Gamma, \Gamma)^{\dagger} = \Gamma^{\dagger}.$$

Hence $\Gamma^{\dagger} \in \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma) = \text{thick}(\Gamma)$ and so $\Gamma = \Gamma^{\dagger\dagger} \in \text{thick}(\Gamma^{\dagger}) \subseteq \mathbf{K}^b(\text{Inj } \Gamma^{\text{op}})$. This shows that Γ has finite injective dimension as a Γ^{op} -module, i.e. as a right Γ -module. \square

Grothendieck duality gives us the following.

Theorem 4.3. *Let $Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$ be a projective birational map where R a CM ring with canonical module ω_R . Suppose that Y is Gorenstein, then the functor $\mathbb{S} := \omega_Y \otimes - : \text{per}(Y) \rightarrow \text{per}(Y)$ is a Serre functor relative to ω_R .*

Proof. Since Y is Gorenstein, the canonical sheaf ω_Y is locally free, and hence $\mathbb{S} := \omega_Y \otimes - = \omega_Y \otimes^{\mathbf{L}} -$ does indeed take $\text{per}(Y)$ to $\text{per}(Y)$. Also, $\omega_Y = f^! \omega_R$ and so

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{G}, \mathbb{S}(\mathcal{F})) &= \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F} \otimes^{\mathbf{L}} \omega_Y) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}), \omega_Y) \\ &\cong \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}), f^! \omega_R) \\ &\cong \mathbf{RHom}_R(\mathbf{R}f_* \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}), \omega_R) \\ &\cong \mathbf{RHom}_R(\mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}), \omega_R) \end{aligned}$$

for all $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \text{per}(Y)$, where the second-last isomorphism is Grothendieck duality. \square

The last two results combine to give the following, which is the main result of this subsection.

Corollary 4.4. *Let $Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$ be a projective birational map where R is a CM ring with canonical module ω_R . Suppose that Y is derived equivalent to Γ . Then if Y is a Gorenstein scheme, Γ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring.*

Proof. By 4.3 there is a Serre functor $\mathbb{S}: \text{per}(Y) \rightarrow \text{per}(Y)$ relative to ω_R . Via the derived equivalence, $\text{per}(Y)$ corresponds to $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$, since they both correspond to the compact objects. Let $\mathcal{V} \in \text{per}(Y)$ be the complex corresponding to Γ , then the equivalence $\text{per}(Y) \simeq \mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$ can be replaced by the equivalence given by $F := \mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{V}, -)$ (see e.g. [BH, 1.8]). Since we have a functorial isomorphism $\mathbf{RHom}_Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) \cong \mathbf{RHom}_\Gamma(F\mathcal{F}, F\mathcal{G})$ in $D(\text{Mod } R)$, we get an induced Serre functor relative to ω_R on $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } \Gamma)$. Hence 4.2 shows that $\text{inj.dim } \Gamma_\Gamma < \infty$.

multiplicity of E_i in E is equal to one, set $\mathcal{M}_i^Y := \mathcal{L}_i^Y$ [V04, 3.5.4], else define \mathcal{M}_i^Y to be given by the maximal extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y^{\oplus(r_i-1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_i^Y \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_i^Y \rightarrow 0$$

associated to a minimal set of $r_i - 1$ generators of $H^1(Y, (\mathcal{L}_i^Y)^{-1})$. Then $\mathcal{V}_\emptyset := \mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{M}_i^Y)$ is a tilting bundle on Y [V04, 3.5.5].

To ease notation denote $X := X^S$, and further denote $Y \xrightarrow{f^S} X^S \xrightarrow{g^S} \text{Spec } R$ by

$$Y \xrightarrow{f} X \xrightarrow{g} \text{Spec } R.$$

Then in an identical manner to the above, $\mathcal{V}_S := \mathcal{O}_X \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^X)$ is a tilting bundle on X .

We claim that $f^*(\mathcal{V}_S) = \mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^Y)$. Certainly $f^*\mathcal{L}_i^X = \mathcal{L}_i^Y$ for all $i \in I \setminus S$, and pulling back

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^{\oplus(r_i-1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_i^X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_i^X \rightarrow 0$$

gives an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y^{\oplus(r_i-1)} \rightarrow f^*\mathcal{M}_i^X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_i^Y \rightarrow 0. \quad (4.A)$$

But

$$\text{Ext}_Y^1(f^*\mathcal{M}_i^X, \mathcal{O}_Y) = \text{Ext}_Y^1(\mathbf{L}f^*\mathcal{M}_i^X, \mathcal{O}_Y) = \text{Ext}_X^1(\mathcal{M}_i^X, \mathbf{R}f_*\mathcal{O}_Y) = \text{Ext}_X^1(\mathcal{M}_i^X, \mathcal{O}_X),$$

which equals zero since \mathcal{V}_S is tilting. Hence (4.A) is a maximal extension, so it follows (by construction) that $\mathcal{M}_i^Y \cong f^*\mathcal{M}_i^X$ for all $i \in I \setminus S$, so $f^*(\mathcal{V}_S) = \mathcal{O}_Y \oplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^Y$ as claimed.

Now by the projection formula

$$\mathbf{R}f_*(f^*\mathcal{V}_S) \cong \mathbf{R}f_*(\mathcal{O}_Y \otimes f^*\mathcal{V}_S) \cong \mathbf{R}f_*(\mathcal{O}_Y) \otimes \mathcal{V}_S \cong \mathcal{O}_X \otimes \mathcal{V}_S = \mathcal{V}_S,$$

and so it follows that

$$\text{End}_X(\mathcal{V}_S) \cong \text{Hom}_X(\mathcal{V}_S, \mathbf{R}f_*(f^*\mathcal{V}_S)) \cong \text{Hom}_Y(\mathbf{L}f^*\mathcal{V}_S, f^*\mathcal{V}_S) \cong \text{End}_Y(f^*\mathcal{V}_S),$$

i.e. $\text{End}_X(\mathcal{V}_S) \cong \text{End}_Y(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^Y)$. But it is very well-known (see e.g. [W11b, Lemma 3.2]) that $\text{End}_Y(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^Y) \cong \text{End}_R(R \oplus_{i \in I \setminus S} M_i) = \text{End}_R(N^S)$.

Hence we have shown that \mathcal{V}_S is a tilting bundle on X^S with endomorphism ring isomorphic to $\text{End}_R(N^S)$, so the first statement follows. For the last statement, simply observe that we have functorial isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{X^S}(\mathcal{V}_S, \mathbf{R}f_*(-)) &= \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathbf{L}f^*\mathcal{V}_S, -) \\ &= \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus_{i \in I \setminus S} \mathcal{M}_i^Y, -) \\ &= e \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{M}_i^Y, -) \\ &= e \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{V}_\emptyset, -). \end{aligned}$$

□

Remark 4.7. The above 4.6 shows that if Λ is the reconstruction algebra and $e \neq 1$ is a non-zero idempotent containing the idempotent corresponding to R , then $e\Lambda e$ always has infinite global dimension, since it is derived equivalent to a singular variety. This greatly generalizes 3.11, which only deals with idempotents corresponding to partial resolutions ‘above’ X^C ; these generically do not exist. It would be useful to have a purely algebraic proof of the fact $\text{gl.dim } e\Lambda e = \infty$, since this is related to many problems in higher dimensions.

Now recall from 3.5 that $D := R \oplus (\bigoplus_{d \in \mathcal{D}} M_d)$. This is just N^C , so as the special case of 4.6 when $S = \mathcal{C}$ we obtain the following.

Corollary 4.8. $\text{End}_R(D)$ is derived equivalent to X^C .

Remark 4.9. It follows from 4.8 that the module D corresponds to the largest totally discrepant partial resolution of $\text{Spec } R$, in that any further resolution must involve crepant curves. This space was much studied in earlier works (e.g. [RRW]), and is related to the deformation theory of $\text{Spec } R$. We remark that X^C is often referred to as the rational double point resolution.

As a further corollary to 4.6, we have the following.

Corollary 4.10. *If $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$, then we have triangle equivalences*

$$\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R) \simeq \underline{\text{GP}}(\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})) \simeq \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(X^{\mathcal{S}}) \simeq \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \underline{\text{CM}}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{X^{\mathcal{S}},x}),$$

where $\text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}$ denotes the set of singular points of $X^{\mathcal{S}}$. In particular, $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is 1-Calabi-Yau, and its shift functor satisfies $[2] = \text{id}$.

Proof. Since R is complete local we already know that $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is idempotent complete, so the first equivalence is just 3.9(2). Since $\text{End}_R(N^{\mathcal{S}})$ is Iwanaga–Gorenstein by 3.9(1), the second equivalence is a well-known theorem of Buchweitz [B86, 4.4.1(2)]. The third equivalence follows immediately from 4.6 (see e.g. [IW3, 3.11]). The fourth equivalence follows from [Or09], [BK] or [IW3, 3.7] since the singularities of $X^{\mathcal{S}}$ are isolated and the completeness of R implies that $\text{D}_{\text{sg}}(X^{\mathcal{S}}) \simeq \underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is idempotent complete. The final two statements hold since each $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{X^{\mathcal{S}},x}$ is Gorenstein ADE, and for these it is well-known that $\underline{\text{CM}}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{X^{\mathcal{S}},x})$ are 1-Calabi-Yau [A78], satisfying $[2] = \text{id}$ [E90]. \square

Example 4.11. In the previous example (4.5) choose $\mathcal{S} = \{E_3, E_5\}$, then by 4.10

$$\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}} \mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)} \oplus \underline{\text{CM}} \mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)}.$$

Remark 4.12. It was remarked in [IW2, 4.14] that often the category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ is equivalent to that of a Gorenstein ADE singularity, but this equivalence was only known to be an additive equivalence, as the triangle structure on $\underline{\text{SCM}}_D(R)$ was difficult to control algebraically. The above 4.10 improves this by lifting the additive equivalence to a triangle equivalence. It furthermore generalises the equivalence to other Frobenius quotients of $\text{SCM}(R)$ that were not considered in [IW2].

We now use 4.10 to extend Auslander’s algebraic McKay correspondence. This requires the notion of the dual graph relative to a morphism.

Definition 4.13. *Consider $f^{\mathcal{S}}: Y \rightarrow X^{\mathcal{S}}$. The dual graph with respect to $f^{\mathcal{S}}$ is defined as follows: for each irreducible curve contracted by $f^{\mathcal{S}}$ draw a vertex, and join two vertices if and only if the corresponding curves in Y intersect. Furthermore, label every vertex with the self-intersection number of the corresponding curve.*

The following, which is immediate from 4.10, extends [IW2, 4.11].

Corollary 4.14. *If $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$, then the AR quiver of the category $\underline{\text{SCM}}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ is the double of the dual graph with respect to the morphism $Y \rightarrow X^{\mathcal{S}}$.*

4.3. Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings from surfaces. The following corollary of 4.6 gives a geometric proof of 3.9(1).

Corollary 4.15. *Let $N \in \text{SCM}(R)$ such that $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$. Then $e_N \Lambda e_N = \text{End}_R(N)$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring.*

Proof. Since $\text{add } D \subseteq \text{add } N$, 4.6 shows that the algebra $\text{End}_R(N)$ is derived equivalent, via a tilting bundle, to the Gorenstein scheme $X^{\mathcal{S}}$. Thus the result follows by 4.4. \square

The point is that using the geometry we can sharpen 3.9(1) and 4.15, since we are explicitly able to determine the value of the injective dimension. The proof requires the following two lemmas.

Lemma 4.16. *Suppose that (R, \mathfrak{m}) is local, Γ is a module-finite R -algebra, and $X, Y \in \text{mod } \Gamma$. Then $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^i(X, Y) = 0$ if $i > \text{inj.dim}_{\Gamma} Y - \text{depth}_R X$.*

Proof. Use induction on $t = \text{depth}_R X$. The case $t = 0$ is clear. Take an X -regular element r and consider the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{r} X \rightarrow X/rX \rightarrow 0$$

By induction we have $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^{i+1}(X/rX, Y) = 0$ for $i > \text{inj.dim}_{\Gamma} Y - t$. By the exact sequence

$$\text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^i(X, Y) \xrightarrow{r} \text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^i(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^{i+1}(X/rX, Y) = 0$$

and Nakayama’s Lemma, we have $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma}^i(X, Y) = 0$. \square

Recall that if Γ is an R -order, then we denote $\text{CM}(\Gamma)$ to be the category consisting of those $X \in \text{mod } \Gamma$ for which $X \in \text{CM}(R)$.

Lemma 4.17. [GN, Proposition 1.1(3)] *Suppose that R is an equidimensional d -dimensional CM ring with canonical module ω_R , and let Γ be an R -order. Then*

- (1) $\text{inj.dim}_\Gamma \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \omega_R) = d = \text{inj.dim}_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \omega_R)$.
- (2) $\text{inj.dim}_\Gamma X = \text{proj.dim}_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} \text{Hom}_R(X, \omega_R) + d$ for all $X \in \text{CM}(\Gamma)$.

Proof. We include a proof for the convenience of the reader. To simplify notation denote $\text{Hom}_R(-, \omega_R) := (-)^\dagger$. This gives an exact duality $\text{CM}(\Gamma) \leftrightarrow \text{CM}(\Gamma^{\text{op}})$. The statements are local, so we can assume that R is a local ring.

- (1) Consider the minimal injective resolution of ω_R in $\text{mod } R$, namely

$$0 \rightarrow \omega_R \rightarrow I_0 \rightarrow I_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow I_d \rightarrow 0.$$

Applying $\text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, -)$, using the fact that $\Gamma \in \text{CM}(R)$ we obtain an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma^\dagger \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_0) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_d) \rightarrow 0.$$

Since each $\text{Hom}_\Gamma(-, \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_i)) = \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma \otimes_\Gamma -, I_i)$ is an exact functor, each $\text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_i)$ is an injective Γ -module. This shows that $\text{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma^\dagger \leq \dim R$. If $\text{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma^\dagger < \dim R$ then

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \Omega^{-d+1}\omega_R) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_{d-1}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_d) \rightarrow 0 \quad (4.B)$$

must split. Let S be some non-zero Γ -module which has finite length as an R -module (e.g. $S = \Gamma/\mathfrak{m}\Gamma$ for some $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max } R$). Since (4.B) splits, applying $\text{Hom}_\Gamma(S, -)$ shows that the top row in the following commutative diagram is exact

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Gamma(S, \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \Omega^{-d+1}\omega_R)) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Gamma(S, \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_{d-1})) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Gamma(S, \text{Hom}_R(\Gamma, I_d)) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & \cong \downarrow & & \cong \downarrow & & \cong \downarrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(S, \Omega^{-d+1}\omega_R) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(S, I_{d-1}) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(S, I_d) & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Hence the bottom row is exact. But S has finite length, so $\text{Hom}_R(S, I_{d-1}) = 0$ since none of the associated primes of I_{d-1} is maximal by equidimensionality of R . But by the above diagram this implies that $\text{Hom}_R(S, I_d) = 0$, which is a contradiction since $\text{Hom}_R(-, I_d)$ is a duality on finite length modules.

- (2) Set $l := \text{proj.dim}_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} X^\dagger$ and $m := \text{inj.dim}_\Gamma X$. Consider a projective resolution of X^\dagger over Γ^{op}

$$\dots \xrightarrow{f_2} P_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} P_0 \rightarrow X^\dagger \rightarrow 0, \quad (4.C)$$

then applying $(-)^\dagger$ gives rise to an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow P_0^\dagger \xrightarrow{f_1^\dagger} P_1^\dagger \xrightarrow{f_2^\dagger} \dots \quad (4.D)$$

Since by (1) each P_i^\dagger has injective dimension d , it follows that $m = \text{inj.dim}_\Gamma X \leq l + d$. So m is infinity implies that l is infinity, and in this case the equality holds. Hence we can assume that $m < \infty$.

We first claim that $m \geq d$. This is true if $X \in \text{add } \Gamma^\dagger$ by (1). Now we assume that $X \notin \text{add } \Gamma^\dagger$, so $X^\dagger \notin \text{add } \Gamma$. Thus

$$0 \neq \text{Ext}_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}}^1(X^\dagger, \Omega_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} X^\dagger) = \text{Ext}_\Gamma^1((\Omega_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} X^\dagger)^\dagger, X).$$

Since $\text{depth}_R(\Omega_{\Gamma^{\text{op}}} X^\dagger)^\dagger = d$, by 4.16 we conclude that $m \geq d + 1$. Thus we have $m \geq d$ in both cases.

Consider $\text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger)$, then since $\text{depth}_R(\text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger)) = d$, by 4.16 it follows that $\text{Ext}_\Gamma^{m-d+1}(\text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger), X) = 0$. But since $X \in \text{CM}(\Gamma)$ and the P_i^\dagger are injective in $\text{CM}(\Gamma)$, $\text{Ext}_\Gamma^j(X, P_i^\dagger) = 0$ for all $j > 0$ and so (4.D) shows that

$$\text{Ext}_\Gamma^1(\text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger), \text{Im}(f_{m-d}^\dagger)) = \dots = \text{Ext}_\Gamma^{m-d+1}(\text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger), X) = 0.$$

This implies that the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Im}(f_{m-d}^\dagger) \rightarrow P_{m-d}^\dagger \rightarrow \text{Im}(f_{m-d+1}^\dagger) \rightarrow 0$$

splits, which in turn implies that the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \operatorname{Im}(f_{m-d+1}) \rightarrow P_{m-d} \rightarrow \operatorname{Im}(f_{m-d}) \rightarrow 0$$

splits, so $l \leq m - d$. In particular $l < \infty$, so we may assume that $P_i = 0$ for $i > l$ in (4.C). So (4.D) shows that $m \leq l + d$. Combining inequalities, we have $m = l + d$, as required. \square

The following result is the main result in this subsection. We remark that this gives a generalization of 3.2.

Theorem 4.18. *Let $N \in \operatorname{SCM}(R)$ such that $\operatorname{add} D \subseteq \operatorname{add} N$. Then*

$$\operatorname{inj.dim} \operatorname{End}_R(N) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } R \text{ is Gorenstein} \\ 3 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let $\Gamma := \operatorname{End}_R(N)$. By 4.17 we know that $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma \geq 2$.

(1) Suppose that R is Gorenstein. In this case $\Gamma \in \operatorname{CM}(R)$ is a Gorenstein R -order, meaning $\Gamma \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(\Gamma, R)$ as Γ - Γ bimodules. Thus $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma = \dim R = 2$ by 4.17.

(2) Suppose that R is not Gorenstein, so there exists an indecomposable summand N_i of N such that N_i corresponds to a non- (-2) -curve. Necessarily N_i is not free, and further by 3.6(1) $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(N_i, X) = 0$ for all $X \in \operatorname{SCM}(R)$.

Now if $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma = \dim R = 2$ then by 4.17 $\operatorname{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \omega_R)$ is a projective Γ -module. But

$$\operatorname{Hom}_R(\Gamma, \omega_R) = \operatorname{Hom}_R(\operatorname{End}_R(N), \omega_R) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, (N \otimes_R \omega_R)^{**}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, \tau N)$$

where τ is the AR translation in the category $\operatorname{CM}(R)$. Hence by reflexive equivalence $\operatorname{Hom}_R(N, -): \operatorname{CM}(R) \rightarrow \operatorname{CM}(\Gamma)$, we have $\tau N \in \operatorname{add} N$, so in particular $\tau N_i \in \operatorname{SCM}(R)$. But this implies that $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(N_i, \tau N_i) = 0$ by above, which by the existence of AR sequences is impossible. Hence $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma \neq 2$. Now 3.9(1) implies that $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma \leq 3$ and so consequently $\operatorname{inj.dim}_\Gamma \Gamma = 3$. \square

4.4. Construction of Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings. If R is not Gorenstein and $N \in \operatorname{SCM}(R)$ such that $\operatorname{add} D \subseteq \operatorname{add} N$, then by 4.10 and 4.18 $\Gamma := \operatorname{End}_R(N)$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring with $\operatorname{inj.dim} \Gamma = 3$, such that $\underline{\operatorname{GP}}(\Gamma)$ is a direct sum of stable CM categories of ADE singularities. In particular, each Γ has finite Gorenstein–projective type. The simplest case is when Γ has only one non-free indecomposable GP-module, i.e. the case $\underline{\operatorname{GP}}(\Gamma) \simeq \underline{\operatorname{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)})$.

The purpose of this section is to prove the following theorem.

Theorem 4.19. *Let $G \leq \operatorname{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ be a finite subgroup, with $G \not\cong E_8$. Then there are uncountably many non-isomorphic Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings Γ with $\operatorname{inj.dim} \Gamma = 3$, such that $\underline{\operatorname{GP}}(\Gamma) \simeq \underline{\operatorname{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^G)$.*

The theorem is unusual, since commutative algebra constructions such as Knörrer periodicity only give countably many non-isomorphic Gorenstein rings S with $\underline{\operatorname{CM}}(S) \simeq \underline{\operatorname{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^G)$, and further no two of the S have the same injective dimension.

Remark 4.20. We remark that the omission of type $G \cong E_8$ from our theorem is also unusual; it may still be possible that there are uncountably many non-isomorphic Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings Γ with $\operatorname{inj.dim} \Gamma = 3$ such that $\underline{\operatorname{GP}}(\Gamma) \simeq \underline{\operatorname{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{E_8})$, however our methods do not produce any. It is unclear to us whether this illustrates simply the limits of our techniques, or whether the finite type E_8 is much more rare.

To prove 4.19 requires some knowledge of complete local rational surface singularities over \mathbb{C} , which we now review. If R is a complete local rational surface singularity, then if we consider the minimal resolution $Y \rightarrow \operatorname{Spec} R$, then (as before) the fibre above the origin is well-known to be a tree (i.e. a finite connected graph with no cycles) of \mathbb{P}^1 s denoted $\{E_i\}_{i \in I}$. Their self-intersection numbers satisfy $E_i \cdot E_i \leq -2$, and moreover the intersection matrix $(E_i \cdot E_j)_{i, j \in I}$ is negative definite. We encode the intersection matrix in the form of the labelled dual graph:

Definition 4.21. *We refer to the dual graph relative to the morphism $Y \rightarrow \operatorname{Spec} R$ (in the sense of 4.13) as the dual graph of R .*

Thus, given a complete local rational surface singularity, we obtain a labelled tree. Before we state as a theorem the solution to the converse problem, we first require some notation.

Suppose that T is a tree, with vertices denoted E_1, \dots, E_n , labelled with integers w_1, \dots, w_n . To this data we associate the symmetric matrix $M_T = (b_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$ with b_{ii} defined by $b_{ii} := w_i$, and b_{ij} (with $i \neq j$) defined to be the number of edges linking the vertices E_i and E_j . We denote the free abelian group generated by the vertices E_i by \mathcal{Z} , and call its elements *cycles*. The matrix M_T defines a symmetric bilinear form $(-, -)$ on \mathcal{Z} and in analogy with the geometry, we will often write $Y \cdot Z$ instead of (Y, Z) . We define

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\text{top}} := \left\{ Z = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E_i \in \mathcal{Z} \mid Z \neq 0, \text{ all } a_i \geq 0, \text{ and } Z \cdot E_i \leq 0 \text{ for all } i \right\}.$$

If there exists $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_{\text{top}}$ such that $Z \cdot Z < 0$, then automatically M_T is negative definite [A66a, Prop 2(ii)]. In this case, \mathcal{Z}_{top} admits a unique smallest element Z_f , called the *fundamental cycle*.

Theorem 4.22. [A66a, G62b]. *Let T denote a labelled tree, with vertex set $\{E_i \mid i \in I\}$, and labels w_i . Suppose that T satisfies the following combinatorial properties.*

- (1) $w_i \leq -2$ for all $i \in I$.
- (2) There exists $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_{\text{top}}$ such that $Z \cdot Z < 0$.
- (3) Writing Z_f (which exists by (2)) as $Z_f = \sum_{i \in I} a_i E_i$, then

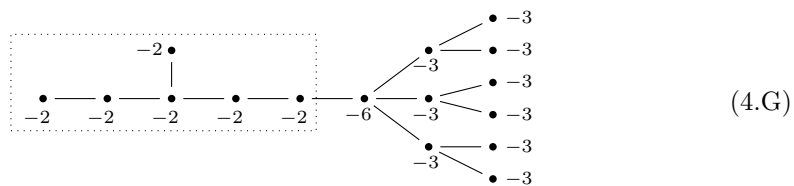
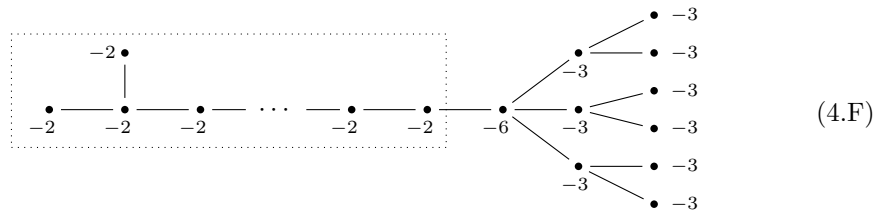
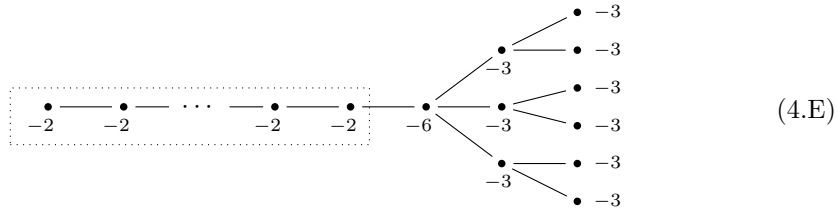
$$Z_f \cdot Z_f + \sum_{i \in I} a_i (-w_i - 2) = -2.$$

Then there exists some complete local rational surface singularity R , whose minimal resolution has labelled dual graph precisely T .

A labelled tree satisfying the combinatorial properties in 4.22 is called a *rational tree*. The above theorem says that every rational tree arises as the labelled dual graph of some complete local rational surface singularity, however this singularity need not be unique.

We are now ready to prove 4.19.

Proof. Consider the following labelled trees



respectively. Hence, since there are uncountably many such R , there are uncountably many such Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings. \square

We give, in §6.1, some explicit examples illustrating 4.19 in the case $G = \mathbb{Z}_2$.

Remark 4.23. We remark that the method in the above proof cannot be applied to E_8 , since it is well-known that the rational tree E_8 (labelled with -2 's) cannot be a (strict) subtree of any rational tree [TT, 3.11].

5. RELATIONSHIP TO RELATIVE SINGULARITY CATEGORIES

In the notation of §4, let $Y \xrightarrow{f^S} X^S \xrightarrow{g^S} \text{Spec } R$ be a factorization of the minimal resolution of a rational surface singularity, with $\mathcal{S} \subseteq I$. Let Λ be the reconstruction algebra of R and $e \in \Lambda$ be the idempotent corresponding to the identity endomorphism of the special Cohen–Macaulay R -module $N^S = R \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus \mathcal{S}} M_i)$.

Recall that a sequence of triangulated categories and triangle functors $\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{T} \xrightarrow{G} \mathcal{Q}$ is called *exact*, if G is a quotient functor with kernel \mathcal{U} and F is the canonical inclusion. In this section, we extend triangle equivalences from 4.10 to exact sequences of triangulated categories. In particular, this yields triangle equivalences between the “relative singularity categories” studied in [BK, KY].

Proposition 5.1. *There exists a commutative diagram of triangulated categories and functors such that the horizontal arrows are equivalences and the columns are exact.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{thick}(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{O}_{E_i}(-1)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \frac{\text{D}^b(\text{coh } Y)}{\text{thick}(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{M}_i))} & \xrightarrow[\sim]{\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{V}_\emptyset, -)} & \frac{\text{D}^b(\text{mod } \Lambda)}{\text{thick}(\Lambda e)} \\
 \mathbf{R}f_*^S \downarrow & & \downarrow e(-) \\
 \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(X^S) & \xrightarrow[\sim]{\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{X^S}(\mathcal{V}_S, -)} & \text{D}_{\text{sg}}(e\Lambda e)
 \end{array} \tag{5.A}$$

By an abuse of notation, the induced triangle functors in the lower square are labelled by the inducing triangle functors from the diagram in 4.6.

Proof. We start with the lower square. Since the corresponding diagram in 4.6 commutes, it suffices to show that the induced functors above are well-defined. Clearly, the equivalence $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{V}_\emptyset, -)$ from 4.6 maps $\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{M}_i)$ to Λe . Hence, it induces an equivalence on the triangulated quotient categories. Since $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{X^S}(\mathcal{V}_S, -)$ is an equivalence by 4.6 and the subcategories $\text{per}(X^S)$ respectively $\text{per}(e\Lambda e)$ can be defined intrinsically, we get a well-defined equivalence on the bottom of diagram (5.A). The functor on the right is a well-defined quotient functor by 2.13. Now, the functor on the left is well-defined by the commutativity of the diagram in 4.6 and the considerations above. It is a quotient functor since $\mathbf{R}f_*^S \circ \mathbf{L}(f^S)^* \cong 1_{\text{D}^b(\text{coh } X^S)}$.

The category $\text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda)$ is the kernel of the quotient functor $e(-)$, by 2.13. Since R has isolated singularities, the algebra $\Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda$ is always finite dimensional and so $\text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda) = \text{thick}(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{S}} S_i)$, where S_i denotes the simple Λ -module corresponding to the vertex i in the quiver of Λ . But under the derived equivalence $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{V}_\emptyset, -)$, S_i corresponds to $\mathcal{O}_{E_i}(-1)[1]$ [V04, 3.5.7], so it follows that we can identify the subcategory $\text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda) = \text{thick}(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{S}} S_i)$ with $\text{thick}(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{O}_{E_i}(-1))$, inducing the top half of the diagram. \square

Remark 5.2. The functor $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{X^S}(\mathcal{V}_S, -)$ identifies $\text{per}(X^S)$ with $\text{per}(e\Lambda e) \cong \text{thick}(\Lambda e) \subseteq \text{D}^b(\text{mod } \Lambda)$. Hence, applying the quasi-inverse of $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_Y(\mathcal{V}_\emptyset, -)$ to $\text{thick}(\Lambda e)$ yields a triangle equivalence $\text{per}(X^S) \cong \text{thick}(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{M}_i))$. In particular, there is an equivalence

$$\frac{\text{D}^b(\text{coh } Y)}{\text{per}(X^S)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{\text{D}^b(\text{mod } \Lambda)}{\text{thick}(\Lambda e)}. \tag{5.B}$$

Actually, a careful analysis of the commutative diagram in 4.6 shows that $\text{per}(X^{\mathcal{S}}) \cong \text{thick}(\mathcal{O}_Y \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{M}_i))$ is obtained as a restriction of $\mathbf{L}(f^{\mathcal{S}})^*$.

If we contract only (-2) -curves (i.e. if $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ holds), then we know that $D_{\text{sg}}(X^{\mathcal{S}})$ splits into a direct sum of singularity categories of ADE-surface singularities (4.10). In this case, it turns out that the diagram above admits an extension to the right and that in fact all the triangulated categories in our (extended) diagram split into blocks indexed by the singularities of the Gorenstein scheme $X^{\mathcal{S}}$.

Let us fix some notations. For a singular point $x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}$ let $R_x = \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{X^{\mathcal{S}}, x}$, and let $f_x: Y_x \rightarrow \text{Spec } R_x$ be the minimal resolution of singularities.

Proposition 5.3. *Assume $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$. There exists a commutative diagram of triangulated categories and functors such that the horizontal arrows are equivalences and the columns are exact.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \ker(\mathbf{R}(f_x)_*) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \frac{D^b(\text{mod } \Lambda)}{\text{thick}(\Lambda e)} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \frac{D^b(\text{coh } Y_x)}{\text{per}(R_x)} \\
 e(-) \downarrow & & \downarrow \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \mathbf{R}(f_x)_* \\
 D_{\text{sg}}(e \Lambda e) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} D_{\text{sg}}(R_x)
 \end{array} \tag{5.C}$$

Proof. We need some preparation. Note that by the derived McKay correspondence [KV, BKR], there are derived equivalences $D^b(\text{coh } Y_x) \rightarrow D^b(\text{mod } \Pi_x)$, where Π_x is the Auslander algebra of the Frobenius category of maximal Cohen–Macaulay R_x -modules $\text{CM}(R_x)$. Now we have two Frobenius categories $\mathcal{E}_1 := \text{SCM}_{N^{\mathcal{S}}}(R)$ and $\mathcal{E}_2 := \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \text{CM}(R_x)$, which clearly satisfy the conditions (FM1)–(FM4) in [KY, Subsection 5.3] and whose stable categories are Hom-finite, idempotent complete and whose stable Auslander algebras satisfy (A1)–(A3) in [KY, Subsection 5.3]. Further, \mathcal{E}_1 and \mathcal{E}_2 are stably equivalent by 4.10.

Now, by [KY, Theorem 5.6] there are triangle equivalences

$$D^b(\text{mod } \Lambda) / \text{thick}(\Lambda e) \cong \text{per}(\Lambda_{\text{dg}}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_1)) \tag{5.D}$$

$$\bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} D^b(\text{mod } \Pi_x) / \text{per}(R_x) \cong \text{per}(\Lambda_{\text{dg}}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_2)) \tag{5.E}$$

where by definition $\Lambda_{\text{dg}}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_1)$ and $\Lambda_{\text{dg}}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_2)$ are dg algebras that depend only on (the triangulated structure of) the stable Frobenius categories $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_1$ and $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_2$. Hence, since \mathcal{E}_1 and \mathcal{E}_2 are stably equivalent, these two dg algebras are isomorphic. Thus the combination of the equivalences (5.D) and (5.E) yields a triangle equivalence

$$\frac{D^b(\text{mod } \Lambda)}{\text{thick}(\Lambda e)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \frac{D^b(\text{mod } \Pi_x)}{\text{per}(R_x)} \tag{5.F}$$

which, in conjunction with the derived McKay Correspondence, yields the equivalence of triangulated categories in the middle of (5.C).

Furthermore, the functors $\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(\Lambda e, -)$ and $\bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \mathbf{R}(f_x)_*$ are quotient functors with kernels $\text{thick}(\text{mod } \Lambda / \Lambda e \Lambda)$ and $\bigoplus_{x \in \text{Sing } X^{\mathcal{S}}} \ker(\mathbf{R}(f_x)_*)$, respectively. These subcategories admit intrinsic descriptions (c.f. [KY, Corollary 6.17]). Hence, there is an induced equivalence, which renders the upper square commutative. This in turn induces an equivalence on the bottom of (5.C), such that the lower square commutes. \square

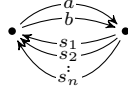
Remark 5.4. Using (5.B) together with an appropriate adaption of the techniques developed in [BK] may yield a more geometric explanation for the block decomposition in (5.C).

6. EXAMPLES

In this section we illustrate some of the previous results with some examples. Our construction in §2 relies on finding some M such that $\text{gl.dim End}_\Lambda(\Lambda \oplus M) < \infty$, so we give explicit examples of when this occurs in both finite dimensional algebras, and in geometry.

6.1. Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings of finite GP type. As a special case of 4.19, there are uncountably many Iwanaga–Gorenstein rings Γ with the property that $\underline{\text{GP}}(\Gamma) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)})$. This category has only one indecomposable object, and is the simplest possible triangulated category. Here we show that the abstract setting in 4.19 can be used to give explicit examples of such Γ , presented as a quiver with relations.

Definition 6.1. *For all $n \geq 3$, we define the algebra Λ_n to be the path algebra of the following quiver*



(where there are n arrows from right to left), subject to the relations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} s_{n-1}bs_n &= s_nb s_{n-1} \\ as_n &= (bs_{n-1})^2 \\ s_na &= (s_{n-1}b)^2 \\ as_{i+1} &= bs_i \\ s_{i+1}a &= s_ib \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n-2.$$

Our main result (6.2) shows that for all $n \geq 3$ the completion $\widehat{\Lambda}_n$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring with $\text{inj.dim } \widehat{\Lambda}_n = 3$, such that $\underline{\text{GP}}(\widehat{\Lambda}_n) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)})$. Before we can prove this, we need some notation. Let $n \geq 3$, set $m := 2n - 1$ and consider the group

$$\frac{1}{m}(1, 2) := \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_m & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_m^2 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$

where ε_m is a primitive m th root of unity. The invariants $\mathbb{C}[x, y]^{\frac{1}{m}(1,2)}$ are known to be generated by

$$a := x^m, \quad b_1 := x^{m-2}y, \quad b_2 := x^{m-4}y^2, \dots, \quad b_{n-1} := xy^{n-1}, \quad c := y^m$$

which abstractly as a commutative ring is $\mathbb{C}[a, b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}, c]$ factored by the relations given by the 2×2 minors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b_1 & b_2 & \dots & b_{n-2} & b_{n-1}^2 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & \dots & b_{n-1} & c \end{pmatrix}.$$

We denote this (non-complete) commutative ring by R . This singularity is toric, and the minimal resolution of $\text{Spec } R$ is well-known to have dual graph



Theorem 6.2. *Let $n \geq 3$, set $m := 2n - 1$ and consider $G := \frac{1}{m}(1, 2)$. Denote $R := \mathbb{C}[x, y]^G$, presented as $\mathbb{C}[a, b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}, c]/(2 \times 2 \text{ minors})$ as above. Then*

- (1) *The R -ideal (a, b_1) is the non-free special CM R -module corresponding to the $(-n)$ -curve in the minimal resolution of $\text{Spec } R$.*
- (2) *$\Lambda_n \cong \text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1))$.*

In particular, by completing both sides of (2), $\widehat{\Lambda}_n$ is an Iwanaga–Gorenstein ring with $\text{inj.dim } \widehat{\Lambda}_n = 3$, such that $\underline{\text{GP}}(\widehat{\Lambda}_n) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)})$. Further $\widehat{\Lambda}_{n'} \not\cong \widehat{\Lambda}_n$ whenever $n' \neq n$.

Proof. (1) Let $\rho_0, \dots, \rho_{m-1}$ be the irreducible representations of $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_m$ over \mathbb{C} . Since $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y]^G$, we can consider the CM R modules $S_i := (\mathbb{C}[x, y] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \rho_i)^G$. It is a well known result of Wunram [W87] that the special CM R -modules in this case are $R = S_0$, S_1 and S_2 , with S_2 corresponding to the $(-n)$ -curve. We remark that Wunram proved this result under the assumption that R is complete, but the result is still true in the

non-complete case [C11, W11a]. Further, S_2 is generated by x^2, y as an R -module [W87]. It is easy to check that under the new coordinates, S_2 is isomorphic to (a, b_1) .

(2) We prove this using key varieties.

Step 1. Consider the commutative ring $\mathbb{C}[a, b_1^{(1)}, b_1^{(2)}, \dots, b_{n-1}^{(1)}, b_{n-1}^{(2)}, c]$ factored by the relations given by the 2×2 minors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b_1^{(1)} & b_2^{(1)} & \cdots & b_{n-2}^{(1)} & b_{n-1}^{(1)} \\ b_1^{(2)} & b_2^{(2)} & b_3^{(2)} & \cdots & b_{n-1}^{(2)} & c \end{pmatrix}.$$

We denote this factor ring by S . We regard $\text{Spec } S$ as a key variety which we then cut (in Step 4) to obtain our ring R .

Step 2. We blowup the ideal $(a, b_1^{(2)})$ of S to give a space, denoted Y , covered by the two affine opens

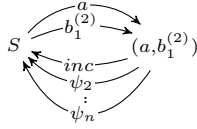
$$\mathbb{C}[b_1^{(2)}, b_2^{(2)}, \dots, b_{n-1}^{(2)}, c, \frac{a}{b_1^{(2)}}] \quad \mathbb{C}[a, b_1^{(1)}, b_2^{(1)}, \dots, b_{n-1}^{(1)}, \frac{b_1^{(2)}}{a}]$$

The resulting map $f : Y \rightarrow \text{Spec } S$ has fibres at most one-dimensional, so we know from [V04] that Y has a tilting bundle. Using the above explicit open cover and morphism, there is an ample line bundle \mathcal{L} on Y generated by global sections, satisfying $\mathcal{L} \cdot E = 1$ (where E is the \mathbb{P}^1 above the origin), with the property that $H^1(\mathcal{L}^\vee) = 0$. This means, by [V04, 3.2.5], that $\mathcal{V} := \mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{L}$ is a tilting bundle. As is always true in the one-dimensional fibre tilting setting (where f is projective birational between integral normal schemes), $\text{End}_Y(\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{L}) \cong \text{End}_S(S \oplus f_*\mathcal{L})$. In the explicit construction of Y above, it is clear that $f_*\mathcal{L} = (a, b_1^{(2)})$. This shows that $\text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$ is derived equivalent to Y .

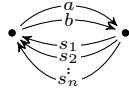
Step 3. We present $\text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$ as a quiver with relations. This is easy, since Y is smooth. We have

$$\text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)})) \cong \begin{pmatrix} S & (a, b_1^{(2)}) \\ (a, b_1^{(2)})^* & S \end{pmatrix},$$

and we can check that all generators can be seen on the diagram



where $\psi_i := \frac{b_{i-1}^{(1)}}{a} = \frac{b_i^{(2)}}{b_1^{(2)}}$ for all $2 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $\psi_n := \frac{b_{n-1}^{(1)}}{a} = \frac{c}{b_1^{(2)}}$. Thus if we consider the quiver Q



with relations \mathcal{R}

$$\begin{aligned} as_i b &= bs_i a & \text{for all } 1 \leq i \leq n \\ s_i a s_j &= s_j a s_i & \text{for all } 1 \leq i < j \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

then there is a natural surjective ring homomorphism

$$\mathbb{C}Q/\mathcal{R} \rightarrow \text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)})).$$

But everything above is graded (with arrows all having grade one), and so a Hilbert series calculation shows that the above ring homomorphism must also be bijective.

Step 4. We base change, and show that we can add central relations to the presentation of $\text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$ in Step 3 to obtain a presentation for $\text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1))$.

Factoring S by the regular element $b_1^{(1)} - b_1^{(2)}$ we obtain a ring denoted R_1 . Factoring R_1 by the regular element $b_2^{(1)} - b_2^{(2)}$ we obtain a ring denoted R_2 . Continuing in this manner, factor R_{n-3} by $b_{n-2}^{(1)} - b_{n-2}^{(2)}$ to obtain R_{n-2} . Finally, factor R_{n-2} by $b_{n-1}^{(1)} - (b_{n-1}^{(2)})^2$ to obtain R_{n-1} , which by definition is the ring R in the statement of the theorem. At each

step, we are factoring by a regular element. Taking the pullbacks we obtain a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
Y_{n-1} & \xrightarrow{i_{n-1}} & Y_{n-2} & \xrightarrow{i_{n-2}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{i_2} & Y_1 & \xrightarrow{i_1} & Y \\
\downarrow f_{n-1} & & \downarrow f_{n-2} & & & & \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f \\
\text{Spec } R & \xrightarrow{j_{n-1}} & \text{Spec } R_{n-2} & \xrightarrow{j_{n-2}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{j_2} & \text{Spec } R_1 & \xrightarrow{j_1} & \text{Spec } S
\end{array}$$

By [W12], under the setup above $\mathcal{V}_{n-1} := i_{n-1}^* \cdots i_1^* \mathcal{V}$ is a tilting bundle on Y_{n-1} with $\text{End}_{Y_{n-1}}(\mathcal{V}_{n-1}) \cong j_{n-1}^* \cdots j_1^* \text{End}_S(f_* \mathcal{V}) \cong j_{n-1}^* \cdots j_1^* \text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$. But on the other hand, f_{n-1} is a projective birational morphism with fibres at most one-dimensional between integral normal schemes, and so

$$\text{End}_{Y_{n-1}}(\mathcal{V}_{n-1}) \cong \text{End}_R((f_{n-1})_* \mathcal{V}_{n-1}) \cong \text{End}_R(j_{n-1}^* \cdots j_1^* f_* \mathcal{V}) \cong \text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1)).$$

where the middle isomorphism follows by iterating [IU, 8.1]. Thus $\text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1)) \cong j_{n-1}^* \cdots j_1^* \text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$. Since by definition each j_i^* factors by a regular element, we obtain $\text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1))$ from the presentation of $\text{End}_S(S \oplus (a, b_1^{(2)}))$ in Step 3 by factoring out by the central relations corresponding to the regular elements. Now, via the explicit form in Step 3, these are

$$\begin{aligned}
b_1^{(1)} - b_1^{(2)} &\leftrightarrow (as_2 + s_2a) - (bs_1 + s_1b) \\
&\vdots \\
b_{n-2}^{(1)} - b_{n-2}^{(2)} &\leftrightarrow (as_{n-1} + s_{n-1}a) - (bs_{n-2} + s_{n-2}b) \\
b_{n-1}^{(1)} - (b_{n-1}^{(2)})^2 &\leftrightarrow (as_n + s_na) - (bs_{n-1} + s_{n-1}b)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Step 5. We justify that $\Lambda_n \cong \text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1))$. From Step 4 we know that $\text{End}_R(R \oplus (a, b_1))$ can be presented as

subject to the relations

$$\begin{aligned}
as_i b &= bs_i a && \text{for all } 1 \leq i \leq n \\
s_i a s_j &= s_j a s_i && \text{for all } 1 \leq i < j \leq n. \\
as_n &= (bs_{n-1})^2 \\
s_n a &= (s_{n-1} b)^2 \\
as_{i+1} &= bs_i && \text{for all } 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \\
s_{i+1} a &= s_i b && \text{for all } 1 \leq i \leq n-2.
\end{aligned}$$

This is a non-minimal presentation, since some relations can be deduced from others. It is not difficult to show that the non-minimal presentation above can be reduced to the relations defining Λ_n . This proves (2).

For the final statement in the theorem, by completing both sides we see that $\widehat{\Lambda}_n \cong \text{End}_{\widehat{R}}(N^C)$, which by 4.8 is derived equivalent to the rational double point resolution X^C of $\text{Spec } \widehat{R}$. Since by construction X^C has only one singularity, of type $\frac{1}{2}(1, 1)$, $\underline{\text{GP}}(\widehat{\Lambda}_n) \simeq \underline{\text{CM}}(\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2}(1,1)})$ follows from 4.10. Finally, since the center of $\widehat{\Lambda}_n$ is $\mathbb{C}[[x, y]]^{\frac{1}{2n-1}(1,2)}$, it follows that $n' \neq n$ implies $\widehat{\Lambda}_{n'} \not\cong \widehat{\Lambda}_n$. \square

6.2. Frobenius structures on module categories. Let K be a field and denote $D := \text{Hom}_K(-, K)$. Here we illustrate our main theorem 2.7 in the setting of finite dimensional algebras. Using both 2.7 and 2.15, we recover the following result due to Auslander–Solberg [AS2], which is rediscovered and generalised by Kong [K12].

Proposition 6.3. *Let Λ be a finite dimensional algebra and \mathcal{N} a functorially finite subcategory of $\text{mod } \Lambda$ satisfying $\Lambda \oplus D\Lambda \in \mathcal{N}$ and $\tau \mathcal{N} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}$ where τ is the AR translation. Then $\text{mod } \Lambda$ has a structure of a Frobenius category such that the category of projective objects is $\text{add } \mathcal{N}$, and we have an equivalence $\text{mod } \Lambda \rightarrow \text{GP}(\mathcal{N})$, $X \mapsto \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, -)|_{\mathcal{N}}$.*

Proof. By 2.15, we have a new structure of a Frobenius category on $\text{mod } \Lambda$ whose projective-injective objects are $\text{add } \mathcal{N}$. Applying 2.8 to $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{P}) := (\text{mod } \Lambda, \text{mod } \Lambda, \text{add } \mathcal{N})$, we have the assertion since $\text{mod}(\text{mod } \Lambda)$ has global dimension at most two and $\text{mod } \Lambda$ is idempotent complete. \square

The following result supplies a class of algebras satisfying the conditions in 6.3. It generalises [K12, 3.4] in which Γ is the path algebra of a Dynkin quiver. Below $\otimes := \otimes_K$.

Proposition 6.4. *Let Δ and Γ be finite-dimensional K -algebras. Assume that Δ is selfinjective. Then $\Lambda = \Delta \otimes \Gamma$ and $\mathcal{N} = \Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma := \{\Delta \otimes M \mid M \in \text{mod } \Gamma\}$ satisfy the conditions in 6.3. Consequently, we have an equivalence*

$$\text{mod } \Lambda \cong \text{GP}(\Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma).$$

Proof. Since Δ is selfinjective, both $\Lambda = \Delta \otimes \Gamma$ and $D\Lambda = D(\Delta \otimes \Gamma) = D\Delta \otimes D\Gamma = \Delta \otimes D\Gamma$ belong to $\mathcal{N} = \Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma$. For $M \in \text{mod } \Gamma$, it follows from the next lemma that $\tau_\Lambda(\Delta \otimes M) = \nu_\Delta(\Delta) \otimes \tau_\Gamma(M)$. Since Δ is selfinjective, we have $\nu_\Delta(\Delta) = \Delta$, and hence $\tau_\Lambda(\Delta \otimes M) = \Delta \otimes \tau_\Gamma(M) \in \Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma$. Thus the conditions in 6.3 are satisfied. \square

Lemma 6.5. *Let Δ and Γ be finite-dimensional K -algebras and $\Lambda = \Delta \otimes \Gamma$. Then for a finite-dimensional Γ -module M and a finitely generated projective Δ -module P , we have $\tau_\Lambda(P \otimes M) = \nu_\Delta(P) \otimes \tau_\Gamma(M)$, where $\nu_\Delta = D \text{Hom}_\Delta(-, \Delta)$ is the Nakayama functor.*

Proof. This is shown in the proof of [K12, 3.4] for the case when Δ is self-injective and Γ is the path algebra of a Dynkin quiver. The proof there works more generally in our setting. For the convenience of the reader we include it here.

Let $Q^{-1} \xrightarrow{f} Q^0$ be a minimal projective presentation of M over Γ . Then

$$P \otimes Q^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{id}_P \otimes f} P \otimes Q^0$$

is a minimal projective presentation of $P \otimes M$ over $\Delta \otimes \Gamma$. We apply $\nu_\Lambda = D \text{Hom}_{\Delta \otimes \Gamma}(-, \Delta \otimes \Gamma)$ and by the definition of τ we obtain an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \tau_\Lambda(P \otimes M) \rightarrow \nu_\Lambda(P \otimes Q^{-1}) \xrightarrow{\nu(\text{id}_P \otimes f)} \nu_\Lambda(P \otimes Q^0). \quad (6.A)$$

Observe that for a finitely generated projective Γ -module Q we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_\Lambda(P \otimes Q) &= D \text{Hom}_{\Delta \otimes \Gamma}(P \otimes Q, \Delta \otimes \Gamma) = D(\text{Hom}_\Delta(P, \Delta) \otimes \text{Hom}_\Gamma(Q, \Gamma)) \\ &= \nu_\Delta(P) \otimes \nu_\Gamma(Q). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the sequence (6.A) is equivalent to

$$0 \rightarrow \tau_\Lambda(P \otimes M) \rightarrow \nu_\Delta(P) \otimes \nu_\Gamma(Q^{-1}) \xrightarrow{\nu(\text{id}_P \otimes \nu(f))} \nu_\Delta(P) \otimes \nu_\Gamma(Q^0).$$

It follows that $\tau_\Lambda(P \otimes M) = \nu_\Delta(P) \otimes \tau_\Gamma(M)$, as desired. \square

Remark 6.6. Let Δ, Γ and Λ be as in 6.4. Assume further that Γ has finite representation type and let $\text{Aus}(\Gamma)$ denote the Auslander algebra of Γ , i.e. the endomorphism algebra of an additive generator of $\text{mod } \Gamma$.

(1) The algebra $\Delta \otimes \text{Aus}(\Gamma)$ is Iwanaga–Gorenstein and we have an equivalence

$$\text{mod } \Lambda \cong \text{GP}(\Delta \otimes \text{Aus}(\Gamma)).$$

(2) If in addition $\text{mod } \Gamma$ has no stable τ -orbits, then any subcategory of $\Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma$ satisfying the conditions in 6.3 already additively generates $\Delta \otimes \text{mod } \Gamma$. In this sense, $\Delta \otimes \text{Aus}(\Gamma)$ is smallest possible.

6.3. Frobenius categories arising from preprojective algebras. Let Q be a finite quiver without oriented cycles and let W be the Coxeter group associated to Q with generators s_i , $i \in Q_0$. Let K be a field, let Λ be the associated preprojective algebra over K and let e_i be the idempotent of Λ corresponding to the vertex i of Q . Denote $I_i = \Lambda(1 - e_i)\Lambda$.

For an element $w \in W$ with reduced expression $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$, let $I_w = I_{i_1} \cdots I_{i_k}$ and set $\Lambda_w = \Lambda/I_w$. Note that I_w and Λ_w do not depend on the choice of the reduced expression. By [BIRSc, III.2.2], Λ_w is finite-dimensional and is Iwanaga–Gorenstein of dimension at most 1. In this case, the category of Gorenstein projective Λ_w -modules coincides with the category $\text{Sub } \Lambda_w$ of submodules of finitely generated projective Λ_w -modules.

By [BIRSc, III.2.3, III.2.6], $\text{Sub } \Lambda_w$ is a Hom-finite stably 2-Calabi–Yau Frobenius category and it admits a cluster-tilting object M_w . These results were stated in [BIRSc] only for non-Dynkin quivers, but they also hold for Dynkin quivers.

Another family of Hom-finite stably 2-Calabi–Yau Frobenius categories with cluster-tilting object are constructed by Geiß, Leclerc and Schröer in [GLS]. Precisely, for a terminal module M over KQ (i.e. M is preinjective and $\text{add } M$ is closed under taking the inverse Auslander–Reiten translation), consider $\mathcal{C}_M = \pi^{-1}(\text{add } M) \subseteq \text{nil } \Lambda$, where $\text{nil } \Lambda$ is the category of finite-dimensional nilpotent representations over Λ and $\pi : \text{nil } \Lambda \rightarrow \text{mod } kQ$ is the restriction along the canonical embedding $KQ \rightarrow \Lambda$. Geiß, Leclerc and Schröer show that \mathcal{C}_M admits the structure of a Frobenius category which is stably 2-Calabi–Yau with a cluster tilting object T_M^\vee . To M is naturally associated an element w of W . By comparing T_M^\vee with M_w , they show that there is an anti-equivalence $\mathcal{C}_M \rightarrow \text{Sub } \Lambda_w$.

In [GLS, Section 8.1], an explicit construction of a projective-injective generator I_M of the Frobenius category \mathcal{C}_M is given. One can check that $\text{End}_{\mathcal{C}_M}(I_M) \cong \Lambda_w^{\text{op}}$. By [GLS, Theorem 13.6 (2)], $\text{End}_{\mathcal{C}_M}(T_M^\vee)$ has global dimension 3. Since T_M^\vee has I_M as a direct summand, it follows from 2.7 that

$$\mathcal{C}_M \cong \text{GP}(\Lambda_w^{\text{op}}) = \text{Sub } \Lambda_w^{\text{op}}.$$

This gives another explanation of the anti-equivalence in the preceding paragraph.

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