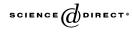


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Normality of orbit closures for directing modules over tame algebras

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Abstract

We show that the orbit closures for directing modules over tame algebras are normal and Cohen-Macaulay. The proof is based on degenerations to normal toric varieties. © 2005 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction and the main results

Throughout the paper k denotes a fixed algebraically closed field. By an algebra we mean an associative k-algebra with identity, and by a module a finite-dimensional left module. Furthermore, for an algebra A, mod A stands for the category of finite-dimensional left A-modules. By \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{Z} we denote the sets of nonnegative integers and integers, respectively. Finally, if *i* and *j* are integers, then by [i, j] we denote the set of all integers *k* such that $i \leq k \leq j$.

Let d be a positive integer and denote by $\mathbb{M}(d)$ the algebra of $(d \times d)$ -matrices with coefficients in k. For an algebra A the set $\text{mod}_A(d)$ of the A-module structures on the

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vector space k^d has a natural structure of an affine variety. Indeed, if $A \simeq k \langle X_1, \ldots, X_t \rangle / I$ for t > 0 and a two-sided ideal I, then $\text{mod}_A(d)$ can be identified with the closed subset of $(\mathbb{M}(d))^t$ given by the vanishing of the entries of all matrices $\rho(X_1, \ldots, X_t)$ for $\rho \in I$. Moreover, the general linear group GL(d) acts on $\text{mod}_A(d)$ by conjugations and the GL(d)-orbits in $\text{mod}_A(d)$ correspond bijectively to the isomorphism classes of d-dimensional left A-modules. We shall denote by \mathcal{O}_M the GL(d)-orbit in $\text{mod}_A(d)$ corresponding to (the isomorphism class of) a d-dimensional module M in mod A. It is an interesting task to study geometric properties of the Zariski closure $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ of \mathcal{O}_M .

The above problem can also be formulated in terms of representations of finite quivers instead of modules over algebras. Here, by a finite quiver Σ we mean a finite set Σ_0 of vertices and a finite set Σ_1 of arrows together with two maps $s, t: \Sigma_1 \to \Sigma_0$, which assign to an arrow its starting and terminating vertex, respectively. Let $\mathbf{d} = (d_x)_{x \in \Sigma_0} \in \mathbb{N}^{\Sigma_0}$ be a dimension vector and let $\mathbb{M}(m, n)$ denote the space of $(m \times n)$ -matrices with coefficients in k. The affine space

$$\operatorname{rep}_{\Sigma}(\mathbf{d}) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Sigma_1} \mathbb{M}(d_{t\alpha}, d_{s\alpha})$$

is called a variety of representations of Σ . The product $GL(\mathbf{d}) = \prod_{x \in \Sigma_0} GL(d_x)$ of general linear groups acts on rep_{Σ}(\mathbf{d}) by conjugations:

$$g \cdot V = \left(g_{t\alpha} V_{\alpha} g_{s\alpha}^{-1}\right)_{\alpha \in \Sigma_1}$$

for $g = (g_x)_{x \in \Sigma_0} \in GL(\mathbf{d})$ and $V = (V_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \Sigma_1} \in \operatorname{rep}_{\Sigma}(\mathbf{d})$. The orbit of $V \in \operatorname{rep}_{\Sigma}(\mathbf{d})$ with respect to this action is denoted by \mathcal{O}_V , and its closure by $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$. In fact, the module varieties and varieties of representations of quivers are closely related to each other (see [7] for details). In particular, for any algebra *A* there is a uniquely determined quiver Σ (called the Gabriel quiver of *A*) such that for each $d \ge 1$ and $M \in \operatorname{mod}_A(d)$ there are a dimension vector $\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{N}^{\Sigma_0}$ and $V \in \operatorname{rep}_{\Sigma}(\mathbf{d})$ such that $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ is isomorphic to the associated fibre bundle $GL(d) \times_{GL(\mathbf{d})} \overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$. Hence $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ is normal, Cohen–Macaulay, unibranch or regular in some codimension if and only if $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$ is.

The orbit closures are normal and Cohen–Macaulay varieties (with rational singularities in characteristic zero) provided Σ is a Dynkin quiver of type \mathbb{A}_n or \mathbb{D}_n [5,6], or A is a Brauer tree algebra [13]. Moreover, they are regular in codimension one if Σ is the Kronecker quiver [1], or A is a representation finite algebra [17], i.e., a set ind A of chosen representatives of isomorphism classes of indecomposable A-modules is finite. Another result states that the variety $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ is unibranch if there are only finitely many modules U in ind A such that there is a monomorphism from U to M^i for some i > 0 [15]. On the other hand, there exists an orbit closure in rep_{Σ}((3, 3)), where Σ is the Kronecker quiver, which is neither unibranch nor Cohen–Macaulay (see [16]).

We say that an algebra A is tame if we can chose ind A in such a way that for every d > 0 all d-dimensional modules in ind A can be described by finitely many one-parameter families. According to Drozd's Tame and Wild Theorem ([11], see also [10]) there is a chance

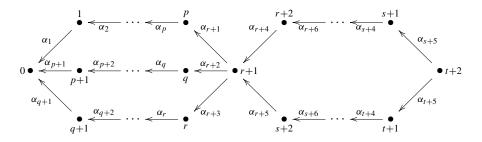
to classify modules only for tame algebras. An indecomposable module M in mod A is called directing if there exists no sequence

$$M = M_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} M_1 \to \cdots \to M_{m-1} \xrightarrow{f_m} M_m = M$$

in mod *A*, where $m > 0, M_1, \ldots, M_{m-1}$ belong to ind *A* and f_1, \ldots, f_m are nonzero nonisomorphisms. Bongartz investigated from the geometric point of view a special class of directing modules, so called preprojective ones (see [8, Proposition 6]). Further results in this direction were obtained by Skowroński and the first named author in [3] (see also [2] for the case of decomposable directing modules). The following main theorem of the paper completes the results of [3] to the general case.

Theorem 1.1. Let M be an indecomposable directing module over a tame algebra. Then the variety $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ is normal and Cohen–Macaulay.

Using [3, Theorem 2] (see [4, Proposition 2.4] for the correct list of algebras) and the geometric equivalence described in [7] we get that $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_M$ is isomorphic to the associated fibre bundle $GL(d) \times_{GL(\mathbf{d})} \overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$, where either $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$ is a normal complete intersection, or up to duality, *P* is defined as follows. Let $0 \le p \le q \le r \le s \le t$, let Δ be the quiver



(if some of the inequalities between 0, p, q, r, s and t are equalities, then we obtain the obvious degenerated version of the above quiver; see also a more detailed discussion about the definition of the quiver Q(p, q, r, s, t) after Proposition 2.3 in Section 2) and let **d** be the dimension vector in \mathbb{N}^{Δ_0} , whose (r + 1)th coordinate equals 2 and the remaining coordinates are 1. Then P = P(p, q, r, s, t) is the point $(P_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Delta_1} \in \operatorname{rep}_{\Delta}(\mathbf{d})$ such that

$$P_{\alpha_{r+1}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{\alpha_{r+2}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{\alpha_{r+3}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$P_{\alpha_{r+4}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{\text{tr}}, \qquad P_{\alpha_{r+5}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{\text{tr}},$$

and the remaining matrices P_{α} are equal to [1]. Hence Theorem 1.1 is a consequence of the following result.

Theorem 1.2. Let P = P(p, q, r, s, t) for some integers $0 \le p \le q \le r \le s \le t$. Then the variety $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$ is normal, Cohen–Macaulay, and has rational singularities in characteristic zero.

The idea of the proof is to degenerate such varieties to toric normal varieties using the so-called Sagbi-bases (see [9,12]). These normal toric varieties appear in the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3. Let Q be a finite quiver without oriented cycles, let **d** be the dimension vector in \mathbb{N}^{Q_0} with the coordinates equal to 1 and let V be the point of $\operatorname{rep}_Q(\mathbf{d})$ given by the matrices equal to [1]. Then $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$ is a normal toric variety.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we prove Theorem 1.3 and investigate the equations defining the toric varieties described in the theorem. Section 3 is devoted to the proof of Theorem 1.2.

2. Toric varieties

Let Q be a finite quiver without oriented cycles and let $\mathbf{d} = (d_i)_{i \in Q_0}$ be the dimension vector in \mathbb{N}^{Q_0} with all d_i equal to 1. Then the algebraic group $\mathrm{GL}(\mathbf{d}) = \prod_{i \in Q_0} k^*$ is a torus and the orbit closures in $\mathrm{rep}_Q(\mathbf{d})$ are affine toric varieties (here we do not assume that toric varieties are normal). In particular, this holds for the orbit closure $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$, where V = $(V_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1}$ is the point of $\mathrm{rep}_Q(\mathbf{d})$ with $V_{\alpha} = [1]$ for any arrow $\alpha \in Q_1$. Let $\mathbf{e}_{\alpha} = \mathbf{e}_{t\alpha} - \mathbf{e}_{s\alpha}$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$, where $(\mathbf{e}_i)_{i \in Q_0}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0} . It follows from the definition of the action of $\mathrm{GL}(\mathbf{d})$ on $\mathrm{rep}_Q(\mathbf{d})$ that $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$ corresponds to the semigroup

$$\mathcal{C}_Q = \sum_{\alpha \in Q_1} \mathbb{N} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\alpha \subset \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0},$$

which means that the algebra $k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V]$ of regular functions on $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$ may be identified with the subalgebra of $k[T_i, T_i^{-1}]_{i \in Q_0}$ generated by $T^{\mathbf{e}_{\alpha}}, \alpha \in Q_1$, where for $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in Q_0} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$ we put $T^{\mathbf{x}} = \prod_{i \in Q_0} T_i^{x_i}$. According to this identification, $k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V]$ as a vector space has a basis formed by $T^{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{x} \in C_Q$. It is well known that an affine toric variety is normal if and only if the corresponding semigroup C is saturated, i.e., if a lattice point \mathbf{x} belongs to the subgroup of \mathbb{Z}^n generated by C and $\lambda \mathbf{x} \in C$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, then $\mathbf{x} \in C$. It is known that C_Q is a saturated semigroup (see [14, Example 3.7]), but for completeness we include a short proof below.

For a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in Q_0} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$ and a subset *F* of Q_0 we abbreviate by \mathbf{x}_F the sum $\sum_{i \in F} x_i$. A subset *F* of Q_0 is called a filter in *Q* if

$$s\alpha \in F \quad \Rightarrow \quad t\alpha \in F$$

for any arrow $\alpha \in Q_1$. Let X_Q be the subset of all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$ such that $\mathbf{x}_{Q_0} = 0$ and $\mathbf{x}_F \ge 0$ for any filter *F* in *Q*. Obviously X_Q is a saturated semigroup. Hence Theorem 1.3 is a consequence of the following fact.

Proposition 2.1. $C_Q = X_Q$.

Proof. Obviously $C_Q \subseteq X_Q$. Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in Q_0} \in X_Q$. In order to prove that $\mathbf{x} \in C_Q$ we proceed by a double induction, first: on the cardinality of Q_0 , and second: on the integer $\sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \mathbf{x}_F \ge 0$, where \mathcal{F} is the set of all filters in Q.

Assume first that there is no arrow in Q_1 (for example, this holds if Q_0 has only one element). Then for any $i \in Q_0$, $\{i\}$ is a filter in Q and thus $x_i \ge 0$. On the other hand, $\sum_{i \in Q_0} x_i = 0$, which gives $\mathbf{x} = 0 \in C_Q$.

Assume now that there is a proper nonempty filter F in Q such that $\mathbf{x}_F = 0$. Let Q' and Q'' be the full subquivers of Q such that $Q'_0 = F$ and $Q''_0 = Q_0 \setminus F$. Then $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}' + \mathbf{x}''$ according to the canonical isomorphism

$$\mathbb{Z}^{Q_0} \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{Q'_0} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{Q''_0}.$$

Observe that $\mathbf{x}' \in X_{Q'}$ and $\mathbf{x}'' \in X_{Q''}$. By the inductive assumption, $\mathbf{x}' \in C_{Q'}$ and $\mathbf{x}'' \in C_{Q''}$. Consequently, $\mathbf{x} \in C_{Q'} \oplus C_{Q''} \subseteq C_Q$.

Hence we may assume that Q_1 is nonempty and that $\mathbf{x}_F > 0$ for any nonempty proper filter F in Q. Choose $\alpha \in Q_1$ and let $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}$. Obviously $\mathbf{y}_{Q_0} = 0$. Since there are no oriented cycles in Q, there is a filter F in Q with $t\alpha \in F$ and $s\alpha \notin F$. For any such filter $\mathbf{y}_F = \mathbf{x}_F - 1 \ge 0$, while for the remaining ones $\mathbf{y}_F = \mathbf{x}_F \ge 0$. Hence $\mathbf{y} \in X_Q$ and $\sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \mathbf{y}_F < \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \mathbf{x}_F$. By our inductive assumption $\mathbf{y} \in C_Q$, which gives $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \in C_Q$. \Box

Now we consider the problem of finding equations defining \mathcal{O}_V . More precisely, we want to describe generators of the ideal $I_{\mathcal{C}_Q}$, which is the kernel of the algebra homomorphism

$$k[S_{\alpha}]_{\alpha \in Q_1} \to k[T_i, T_i^{-1}]_{i \in Q_0}, \quad S_{\alpha} \mapsto T^{\mathbf{e}_{\alpha}}.$$

For $\mathbf{w} = (w_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1}$ we define $\mathbf{w}^+ = (w_{\alpha}^+)_{\alpha \in Q_1}, \mathbf{w}^- = (w_{\alpha}^-)_{\alpha \in Q_1} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1}$ by

$$w_{\alpha}^{+} = \max\{w_{\alpha}, 0\}$$
 and $w_{\alpha}^{-} = \max\{-w_{\alpha}, 0\}$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$.

Let $\mathcal{U}: \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1} \to \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$ be the group homomorphism such that $\mathcal{U}(\mathbf{f}_{\alpha}) = \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$, where $(\mathbf{f}_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1} . Then $I_{\mathcal{C}_Q}$ is generated by the binomials

$$S^{\mathbf{w}^+} - S^{\mathbf{w}^-}$$
 with $\mathbf{w} \in \operatorname{Ker}(\mathcal{U})$,

where

$$S^{\mathbf{w}} = \prod_{i \in Q_1} S^{w_{\alpha}}_{\alpha} \quad \text{for } \mathbf{w} = (w_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1} \in \mathbb{N}^{Q_2}$$

(see [14, Lemma 1.1]). Note that Ker(\mathcal{U}) consists of the vectors $\mathbf{w} = (w_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1}$ such that

$$\sum_{s\alpha=i} w_{\alpha} = \sum_{t\alpha=i} w_{\alpha} \quad \text{for all } i \in Q_0.$$
 (1)

In the case of toric varieties occurring in Theorem 1.3 we shall indicate a special finite subsets of Ker(\mathcal{U}) for which the corresponding binomials generate the ideal $I_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}}}$.

Let Q^* be the double quiver of Q, i.e., the quiver with the same set of vertices as Q and the set of arrows $Q_1 \cup Q_1^-$, where $Q_1^- = \{\alpha^- \mid \alpha \in Q_1\}$ is the set of the formal inverses $\alpha^$ of arrows α in Q with $s\alpha^- = t\alpha$ and $t\alpha^- = s\alpha$. By a nonoriented path in Q we mean an oriented path in Q^* which does not contain neither $\alpha\alpha^-$ nor $\alpha^-\alpha$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$ as a subpath. By a nonoriented cycle in Q we mean a nontrivial nonoriented path in Q which starts and terminates at the same vertex. A nonoriented cycle is called primitive if it does not contain a proper subpath which is a nonoriented cycle.

With a primitive nonoriented cycle $\beta_1 \cdots \beta_l$ in Q we may associate a vector $\mathbf{u} = (u_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1}$ in the following way:

$$u_{\alpha} = \begin{cases} 1, & \alpha = \beta_i \text{ for some } i \in [1, l], \\ -1, & \alpha^- = \beta_i \text{ for some } i \in [1, l], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \alpha \in Q_1.$$

Note that $\mathbf{u} \in \text{Ker}(\mathcal{U})$. Let \mathcal{Z} be the set of all vectors obtained from primitive nonoriented cycles in Q in the way described above. Observe that $\mathcal{Z} = -\mathcal{Z}$, which means that $-\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}$ for any $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}$. Thus we can choose a subset \mathcal{Z}' of \mathcal{Z} such that $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Z}' \cup (-\mathcal{Z}')$ and $\mathcal{Z}' \cap (-\mathcal{Z}') = \emptyset$. Note that the elements of \mathcal{Z}' correspond bijectively to the equivalence classes of primitive nonoriented cycles in Q under the relation which identify a cycle with all its rotations and all rotations of its inversion (since these notions seem to be self-explained we will not give precise definitions here). Our next aim is to show that the binomials corresponding to the elements of \mathcal{Z}' (hence to the equivalence classes of primitive nonoriented cycles in \mathcal{Q}) generate Ker(\mathcal{U}). We start with the following auxiliary observation.

Lemma 2.2. If $\mathbf{w} \in \text{Ker}(\mathcal{U})$ is nonzero, then there exists $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}$ such that $\mathbf{u}^+ \leq \mathbf{w}^+$ and $\mathbf{u}^- \leq \mathbf{w}^-$.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{w} = (w_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1}$ be a nonzero element of Ker(\mathcal{U}). We construct inductively an infinite nonoriented path $\omega = \beta_1 \beta_2 \beta_3 \cdots$ in Q, such that for each $j \ge 1$ either $\beta_j = \alpha$ for an arrow $\alpha \in Q_1$ with $w_{\alpha} > 0$, or $\beta_j = \alpha^-$ for an arrow $\alpha \in Q_1$ with $w_{\alpha} < 0$. We take an arbitrary arrow $\alpha \in Q_1$ with $w_{\alpha} \neq 0$ in order to define β_1 . Assume now that β_n is defined. If $\beta_n = \alpha$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$, then it follows from the equality (1) for $i = t\alpha_n$ that there is an arrow $\alpha' \neq \alpha$ such that either $s\alpha' = t\alpha$ and $w_{\alpha'} > 0$, or $t\alpha' = t\alpha$ and $w_{\alpha'} < 0$. In the former case we put $\beta_{n+1} = \alpha'$, and in the latter $\beta_{n+1} = \alpha'^-$. If $\beta_n = \alpha^-$ for $\alpha \in Q_1$, then we consider the equality (1) for $i = s\alpha$ and we define β_{n+1} in a similar way as above. Since the quiver Q is finite, there exists a primitive nonoriented cycle which is a subpath of ω . The vector corresponding to this cycle satisfies the claim. \Box

Now we can prove the announced result.

Proposition 2.3. Let Q be a finite quiver without oriented cycles and assume the above notation. Then the ideal I_{C_0} is generated by the binomials

$$S^{\mathbf{u}^+} - S^{\mathbf{u}^-}, \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}'.$$

Proof. Since

$$S^{\mathbf{v}^+} - S^{\mathbf{v}^-} = -(S^{\mathbf{u}^+} - S^{\mathbf{u}^-})$$

if $\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{u}$ and $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1}$, it suffices to prove that if $\mathbf{w} = (w_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in Q_1}$ belongs to Ker(\mathcal{U}), then $S^{\mathbf{w}^+} - S^{\mathbf{w}^-}$ belongs to the ideal generated by the binomials

$$S^{\mathbf{u}^+} - S^{\mathbf{u}^-}, \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}.$$

We proceed by induction on $|\mathbf{w}| = \sum_{\alpha \in Q_1} |w_{\alpha}| \ge 0$. If $|\mathbf{w}| = 0$, then $\mathbf{w} = 0$ and we are done. Otherwise by the previous lemma, there is a vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{Z}$ such that $\mathbf{u}^+ \le \mathbf{w}^+$ and $\mathbf{u}^- \le \mathbf{w}^-$. Then

$$\mathbf{w}^+ = \mathbf{u}^+ + \mathbf{v}^+$$
 and $\mathbf{w}^- = \mathbf{u}^- + \mathbf{v}^-$ for $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{u}$.

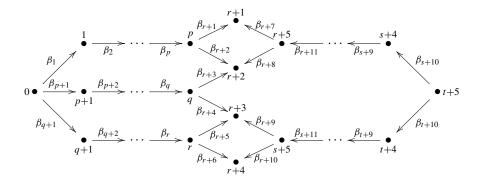
Moreover, $\mathbf{v} \in \text{Ker}(\mathcal{U})$ and $|\mathbf{v}| = |\mathbf{w}| - |\mathbf{u}| < |\mathbf{w}|$. Since

$$S^{\mathbf{w}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{w}^{-}} = S^{\mathbf{v}^{+}} (S^{\mathbf{u}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{u}^{-}}) + S^{\mathbf{u}^{-}} (S^{\mathbf{v}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}^{-}}),$$

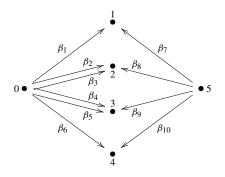
the claim follows by the inductive assumption. \Box

The above proposition gives us a finite set of generators of I_{C_Q} . As we shall see below, this set usually is not minimal.

We restrict now our findings to a quiver Q of a special form. Let $0 \le p \le q \le r \le s \le t$. We define a quiver Q = Q(p, q, r, s, t) in the following way. If 0 , then <math>Q is the quiver



If 0 = p (p = q, q = r, r = s or s = t, respectively) then we cancel appropriate arrows and identify vertices 0 and p (0 and q, 0 and r, r + 5 and t + 5, or s + 5 and t + 5, respectively). Thus in the most extremal case 0 = p = q = r = s = t we get the quiver



with 6 vertices and 10 arrows.

Recall that $\mathbf{f}_{\beta_1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{t+10}}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{Z}^{Q_1} . Let

$$\mathbf{u}_{i} = \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{r+i}} \text{ for } i \in [1, 10] \text{ and}$$
$$\mathbf{u}_{11} = \mathbf{f}_{[1,p]}, \quad \mathbf{u}_{12} = \mathbf{f}_{[p+1,q]}, \quad \mathbf{u}_{13} = \mathbf{f}_{[q+1,r]},$$
$$\mathbf{u}_{14} = \mathbf{f}_{[r+11,s+10]}, \quad \mathbf{u}_{15} = \mathbf{f}_{[s+11,t+10]},$$

where $\mathbf{f}_{[i,j]} = \sum_{l \in [i,j]} \mathbf{f}_{\beta_l}$ for $i, j \in [1, t + 10]$. Observe that it may happen that $\mathbf{u}_i = 0$ for some $i \in [11, 15]$. With the above notation \mathcal{Z}' consists, up to sign, of the following vectors:

$$\mathbf{v}_{1} = \mathbf{u}_{2} + \mathbf{u}_{11} - \mathbf{u}_{3} - \mathbf{u}_{12},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{2} = \mathbf{u}_{4} + \mathbf{u}_{12} - \mathbf{u}_{5} - \mathbf{u}_{13},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{3} = \mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{u}_{8} - \mathbf{u}_{2} - \mathbf{u}_{7},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{4} = \mathbf{u}_{5} + \mathbf{u}_{10} - \mathbf{u}_{6} - \mathbf{u}_{9},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{5} = \mathbf{u}_{3} + \mathbf{u}_{9} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{4} - \mathbf{u}_{8} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{6} = \mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{u}_{9} + \mathbf{u}_{11} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{4} - \mathbf{u}_{7} - \mathbf{u}_{12} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{7} = \mathbf{u}_{3} + \mathbf{u}_{10} + \mathbf{u}_{12} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{6} - \mathbf{u}_{8} - \mathbf{u}_{13} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{8} = \mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{u}_{10} + \mathbf{u}_{11} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{6} - \mathbf{u}_{7} - \mathbf{u}_{13} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{9} = \mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{u}_{8} + \mathbf{u}_{11} - \mathbf{u}_{3} - \mathbf{u}_{7} - \mathbf{u}_{12},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{10} = \mathbf{u}_{4} + \mathbf{u}_{10} + \mathbf{u}_{12} - \mathbf{u}_{6} - \mathbf{u}_{9} - \mathbf{u}_{13},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{11} = \mathbf{u}_{2} + \mathbf{u}_{4} + \mathbf{u}_{11} - \mathbf{u}_{3} - \mathbf{u}_{5} - \mathbf{u}_{13},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{12} = \mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{u}_{3} + \mathbf{u}_{9} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{2} - \mathbf{u}_{4} - \mathbf{u}_{7} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{13} = \mathbf{u}_{3} + \mathbf{u}_{5} + \mathbf{u}_{10} + \mathbf{u}_{15} - \mathbf{u}_{4} - \mathbf{u}_{6} - \mathbf{u}_{8} - \mathbf{u}_{14},$$

.

Indeed, recall that the elements of Z' correspond to the equivalence classes of the primitive nonoriented cycles in Q. Note that each such equivalence class is determined by a nonempty subset of the set consisting of the five inner polygons visible on the picture of the quiver Q. There are $2^5 - 1 = 31$ such nonempty subsets, 26 of them lead to our vectors \mathbf{v}_i , $i \in [1, 26]$, and none of the remaining five subsets corresponds to the equivalence class of a primitive nonoriented cycle in Q (they may be seen as corresponding to equivalence classes of two disjoint primitive cycles).

Lemma 2.4. Let Q = Q(p, q, r, s, t) for $0 \le p \le q \le r \le s \le t$. Then the ideal I_{C_Q} is generated by the binomials

$$S^{\mathbf{v}_i^+} - S^{\mathbf{v}_i^-}, \quad i \in [1, 8].$$

Proof. By Proposition 2.3, it suffices to show that the above binomials generate the remaining binomials

$$S^{\mathbf{v}_i^+} - S^{\mathbf{v}_i^-}, \quad i \in [9, 26].$$

This is a quite easy, but tedious verification. Hence we prove the claim only for i = 9 and i = 21, leaving the other cases to the reader:

$$S^{\mathbf{v}_{9}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{9}^{-}} = S^{\mathbf{u}_{1}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{3}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{7}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}}$$

= $S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} (S^{\mathbf{u}_{1}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{2}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{7}}) + S^{\mathbf{u}_{7}} (S^{\mathbf{u}_{2}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{3}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}})$
= $S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} (S^{\mathbf{v}_{3}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{3}^{-}}) + S^{\mathbf{u}_{7}} (S^{\mathbf{v}_{1}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{1}^{-}}),$

+

$$S^{\mathbf{v}_{21}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{21}^{-}} = S^{\mathbf{u}_{2}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{9}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{15}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{5}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{13}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{14}}$$

$$= S^{\mathbf{u}_{9}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{15}} \left(S^{\mathbf{u}_{2}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{11}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{3}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}} \right) + S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}} \left(S^{\mathbf{u}_{3}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{9}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{15}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{4}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{14}} \right)$$

$$+ S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{14}} \left(S^{\mathbf{u}_{4}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}} - S^{\mathbf{u}_{5}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{13}} \right)$$

$$= S^{\mathbf{u}_{9}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{15}} \left(S^{\mathbf{v}_{1}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{1}^{-}} \right) + S^{\mathbf{u}_{12}} \left(S^{\mathbf{v}_{5}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{5}^{-}} \right)$$

$$+ S^{\mathbf{u}_{8}} S^{\mathbf{u}_{14}} \left(S^{\mathbf{v}_{2}^{+}} - S^{\mathbf{v}_{2}^{-}} \right). \qquad \Box$$

3. Degenerations to toric varieties

Let Δ , **d** and P be as in Theorem 1.2. As usual $\mathbf{e}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{e}_{t+5}$ denote the standard basis of \mathbb{Z}^{t+5} . For $i, j \in [1, t+5]$, $\mathbf{e}_{[i,j]} = \sum_{l \in [i,j]} \mathbf{e}_l$. If $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]} \in k^{t+5}$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]} \in \mathbb{N}^{t+5}$, then $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{w}} = \prod_{i \in [1,t+5]} x_i^{w_i}$.

Our aim in this section is to prove Theorem 1.2. As the first step we describe the coordinate ring of $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$. Note that $\dim \overline{\mathcal{O}}_P = t + 5$. Indeed, $\dim \overline{\mathcal{O}}_P = \dim \operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d}) - \dim \operatorname{Stab}_{\operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d})}(P)$, where $\operatorname{Stab}_{\operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d})}$ denotes the subgroup of all $g \in \operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d})$ such that $g \cdot P = P$. Easy calculations show $\dim \operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d}) = t + 6$ and $\operatorname{Stab}_{\operatorname{GL}(\mathbf{d})}(P) \simeq k^*$, thus the formula follows.

Let $\Phi: k^{t+5} \to \operatorname{rep}_{\Delta}(\mathbf{d})$ be given by

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{i}} &= [x_{i}], \quad i \in [1, r] \cup [r + 6, t + 5], \\ \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{r+1}} &= \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} [x_{r+1} \quad x_{r+3}], \\ \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{r+2}} &= \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} [-x_{r+1} - x_{r+4} \quad -x_{r+2} - x_{r+3}], \\ \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{r+3}} &= \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} [x_{r+4} \quad x_{r+2}], \\ \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{r+4}} &= [-x_{r+3} \quad x_{r+1}]^{\mathrm{tr}} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,r+5]}}, \\ \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x})_{\alpha_{r+5}} &= [x_{r+2} \quad -x_{r+4}]^{\mathrm{tr}} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \end{split}$$

for $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in [1, t+5]} \in k^{t+5}$. The next observation is the following.

Lemma 3.1. $\overline{\Phi(k^{t+5})} = \overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$.

Proof. Let

$$U = \left\{ \mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in [1, t+5]} \in k^{t+5} \mid x_i \neq 0, \ i \in [1, r] \cup [r+5, t+5], \\ x_{r+1}x_{r+2} \neq x_{r+3}x_{r+4} \right\}.$$

Then U is an open subset of k^{t+5} and $\Phi|_U$ is injective, thus $\dim \overline{\Phi(k^{t+5})} = t + 5 = \dim \overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$. Since $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P$ is irreducible, it is enough to show that $\Phi(U) \subset \mathcal{O}_P$. Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]} \in U$ and $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{r+1} & x_{r+3} \\ x_{r+4} & x_{r+2} \end{bmatrix}$. Then $g = (g_i)_{i \in [1,t+2]}$ given by

$$g_{i} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,i]}}, \quad i \in [0, p],$$

$$g_{i} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,i]}}, \quad i \in [p+1,q],$$

$$g_{i} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,i]}}, \quad i \in [q+1,r],$$

$$g_{r+1} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} X,$$

$$g_{i} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} \det X x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,i+3]}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,i+5]}}, \quad i \in [r+2, s+1],$$

$$g_{i} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} \det X x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,i+3]}}, \quad i \in [s+2, t+2],$$

belongs to $GL(\mathbf{d})$ and $g \cdot \Phi(\mathbf{x}) = P$.

Obviously, the above lemma implies that $k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P] = k[a_1, \dots, a_{t+10}]$, where a_1, \dots, a_{t+10} are polynomials in $k[T_1, \dots, T_{t+5}]$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} a_i &= T_i, \quad i \in [1, r], \\ a_{r+1} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} T_{r+1}, \\ a_{r+2} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} T_{r+3}, \\ a_{r+3} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+2} + T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+3}, \\ a_{r+4} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+1} + T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+4}, \\ a_{r+5} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} T_{r+4}, \\ a_{r+6} &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} T_{r+2}, \\ a_{r+7} &= T_{r+1} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}}, \\ a_{r+8} &= T_{r+3} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}}, \\ a_{r+9} &= T_{r+4} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \\ a_{r+10} &= T_{r+2} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \\ a_i &= T_{i-5}, \quad i \in [r+11, t+10]. \end{aligned}$$

As before, $T^{\mathbf{w}} = \prod_{i \in [1,t+10]} T_i^{w_i}$ for $\mathbf{w} = (w_i)_{i \in [1,t+10]} \in \mathbb{N}^{t+10}$.

We order the elements of \mathbb{N}^{t+5} by the reversed lexicographic order, i.e., we say that $\mathbf{u} = (u_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]}$ is smaller than $\mathbf{v} = (v_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]}$ if there exists $i \in [1, t+5]$ such that $u_i < v_i$ and $u_j = v_j$ for all $j \in [i+1, t+5]$. The induced order of the monomials in $k[T_1, \ldots, T_{t+5}]$ is a term order in the sense of [12, 1.3].

 $k[T_1, \ldots, T_{t+5}]$ is a term order in the sense of [12, 1.3]. For $a = \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{N}^{t+5}} \lambda_{\mathbf{v}} T^{\mathbf{v}} \in k[T_1, \ldots, T_{t+5}]$, $a \neq 0$, we define the initial monomial in(*a*) as $T^{\mathbf{u}}$, where $\mathbf{u} = \max\{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{N}^{t+5} | \lambda_{\mathbf{v}} \neq 0\}$. If *A* is a subalgebra of $k[T_1, \ldots, T_{t+5}]$, then by the initial algebra in(*A*) of *A* we mean the subalgebra of *A* generated by {in(*a*) | $a \in A$ }. According to [9, Corollary 2.3(b)] in order to prove Theorem 1.2 it is enough to show that in($k[a_1, \ldots, a_{t+10}]$) is finitely generated and normal. Using Theorem 1.3 it will follow if we show isomorphisms in($k[a_1, \ldots, a_{t+10}]$) $\simeq k[\overline{O}_V]$, where *V* is the point of rep_Q((1)_{i \in [1,t+5]}) with all matrices equal to [1]. Here Q = Q(p, q, r, s, t) is the quiver defined in Section 2. We first show the latter isomorphism, or in other words, we describe $k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V]$. The method is analogous to the one applied above in order to describe $k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_P]$. Let $\Psi: k^{t+5} \to \operatorname{rep}_O((1)_{i \in [1,t+5]})$ be defined by

$$\begin{split} & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{i}} = x_{i}, \quad i \in [1, r], \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+1}} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} x_{r+1}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+2}} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} x_{r+3}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{i}} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} x_{i}, \quad i \in [r+3, r+4], \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+5}} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} x_{r+4}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+6}} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} x_{r+2}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+6}} = x_{r+1} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+8}} = x_{r+3} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+9}} = x_{r+4} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+10}} = x_{r+2} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{r+10}} = x_{r+2} x_{r+5} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}}, \\ & \varPhi(\mathbf{x})_{\beta_{i}} = x_{i-5}, \quad i \in [r+11, t+10], \end{split}$$

for $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in [1,t+5]} \in k^{t+5}$. With arguments similar to those used in the proof of Lemma 3.1, one shows that

$$\overline{\Phi(k^{t+5})} = \overline{\mathcal{O}}_V,$$

hence $k[\overline{O}_V]$ may be identified with the subalgebra of $k[T_1, \ldots, T_{t+5}]$ generated by polynomials b_1, \ldots, b_{t+10} , where

$$b_{i} = T_{i}, \quad i \in [1, r],$$

$$b_{r+1} = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} T_{r+1},$$

$$b_{r+2} = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[p+1,r]}} T_{r+3},$$

$$b_{i} = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{i}, \quad i \in [r+3, r+4],$$

$$b_{r+5} = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} T_{r+4},$$

$$b_{r+6} = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,q]}} T_{r+2},$$

$$b_{r+7} = T_{r+1} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}},$$

$$b_{r+8} = T_{r+3} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+6,t+5]}},$$

$$b_{r+9} = T_{r+4} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}},$$

$$b_{r+10} = T_{r+2} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,s+5]}},$$

$$b_{i} = T_{i-5}, \quad i \in [r+11, t+10].$$

It is an obvious observation that $b_i = in(a_i)$ for all $i \in [1, t + 10]$, which shows that $k[in(a_1), \ldots, in(a_{t+10})] \simeq k[\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V]$.

Observe that the kernel I of the algebra homomorphism

$$k[S_{\beta_1},\ldots,S_{\beta_{t+10}}] \rightarrow k[T_1,\ldots,T_{t+5}], \quad S_{\beta_i} \mapsto b_i,$$

equals the ideal I_{C_Q} defined in Section 2, as both of them are the ideals of $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_V$ in rep_{*Q*}((1)_{*i* \in [1,*t*+5]}). By Lemma 2.4, *I* is generated by the binomials

$$\xi_i = S^{\mathbf{v}_i^+} - S^{\mathbf{v}_i^-}, \quad i \in [1, 8],$$

where $\mathbf{v}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{v}_8$ are as in Section 2.

As the final step we show that $in(k[a_1, ..., a_{t+10}]) \simeq k[b_1, ..., b_{t+10}]$ (if this condition holds, then one says that $a = (a_1, ..., a_{t+10})$ is a Sagbi basis of the algebra $k[a_1, ..., a_{t+10}]$). According to [9, Proposition 1.1] it is enough to show that there exist $\lambda_{i,\mathbf{u}} \in k, i \in [1, 8], \mathbf{u} \in I_i = \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{N}^{t+10} \mid in(a^{\mathbf{v}}) \leq in(\xi_i(a))\}$, such that

$$\xi_i(a) = \sum_{\mathbf{u}\in I_i} \lambda_{i,\mathbf{u}} a^{\mathbf{u}}.$$

Here, $a^{\mathbf{u}} = a_1^{u_{\beta_1}} \cdots a_{t+10}^{u_{\beta_{t+10}}}$ for $\mathbf{u} = (u_{\beta_i})_{i \in [1,t+10]} \in \mathbb{N}^{Q_1}$ and $\xi(a)$ denotes the image of $\xi \in k[S_{\beta_1}, \dots, S_{\beta_{t+10}}]$ via the map

$$k[S_{\beta_1},\ldots,S_{\beta_{t+10}}] \to k[T_1,\ldots,T_{t+5}], \quad S_{\beta_i} \mapsto a_i.$$

But

$$\begin{split} \xi_{i}(a) &= 0, \quad i \in \{3, 4, 8\}, \\ \xi_{1}(a) &= -T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} T_{r+2} = -a^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} a_{r+6}, \\ \xi_{2}(a) &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} T_{r+1} = a^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} a_{r+1}, \\ \xi_{6}(a) &= -T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} T_{r+1} T_{r+1} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}} \\ &= -a^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} a_{r+1} a_{r+7} a^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+11,s+10]}}, \\ \xi_{7}(a) &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,r]}} T_{r+2} T_{r+2} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}} \\ &= a^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} a_{r+6} a_{r+10} a^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+11,t+10]}}, \\ \xi_{5}(a) &= T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+2} T_{r+4} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}} \\ &- T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}} T_{r+1} T_{r+3} T_{r+5} T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}} \\ &= a_{r+4} a_{r+10} a^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+11,t+10]}} - a_{r+3} a_{r+7} a^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+11,s+10]}}, \end{split}$$

and the initial monomial

$$in(a_{r+3}a_{r+7}a^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+11,s+10]}}) = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}}T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}}T_{r+1}T_{r+3}T_{r+5}T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}}$$

is smaller than

$$in(a_{r+4}a_{r+10}a^{\mathbf{e}_{[s+11,t+10]}}) = in(\xi_5(a)) = T^{\mathbf{e}_{[1,p]}}T^{\mathbf{e}_{[q+1,r]}}T_{r+2}T_{r+4}T_{r+5}T^{\mathbf{e}_{[r+6,t+5]}}$$

which finishes the proof. \Box

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