

## GRADED 3-CALABI-YAU ALGEBRAS AS ORE EXTENSIONS OF 2-CALABI-YAU ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** We study a class of graded algebras obtained from Ore extensions of graded Calabi-Yau algebras of dimension 2. It is proved that these algebras are graded Calabi-Yau and graded coherent. The superpotentials associated to these graded Calabi-Yau algebras are also constructed.

### INTRODUCTION

Recently, Smith studied in [Sm2] a remarkable graded Calabi-Yau algebra  $B$  of dimension 3 constructed from the octonions. Amongst other things, Smith proved that  $B$  is a graded Ore extension of an Artin-Schelter regular algebra of global dimension 2 and uses that fact to show that  $B$  is graded 3-Calabi-Yau and graded coherent.

In this note, we show that the Calabi-Yau property and the coherence of  $B$  do not occur incidentally. A large class of graded algebras that are Ore extensions of graded Calabi-Yau algebras are themselves graded Calabi-Yau. The main result of this note is the following.

**Theorem 0.1.** *Let  $V$  be a finite dimension vector space with basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , let  $M$  be an invertible  $n \times n$  anti-symmetric matrix, and define*

$$r = (x_1, \dots, x_n)M \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in T(V).$$

*Let  $A = T(V)/\langle r \rangle$ , where  $\langle r \rangle$  is the ideal of  $T(V)$  generated by  $r$ . Let  $\delta$  be a degree-one graded derivation of  $T(V)$  such that  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Then  $\delta$  induces a graded derivation  $\bar{\delta}$  on  $A$ . Let  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  be the Ore extension of  $A$  defined by  $\bar{\delta}$ . Then the following hold:*

(i)  $B$  is a graded 3-Calabi-Yau algebra.

(ii) Let  $\widehat{V} = V \oplus \mathbb{k}z$ , and  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $w = (z, x_1, \dots, x_n)Q \begin{pmatrix} r \\ r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,

where  $r_i = z \otimes x_i - x_i \otimes z - \delta(x_i) \in \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

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$(\alpha \otimes 1 \otimes 1)(w) = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \alpha)(w)$  for all  $\alpha \in (\widehat{V})^*$ , and  $A[z; \bar{\delta}] \cong T(\widehat{V}) / \langle \partial_{x_i}(w) : i = 0, \dots, n \rangle$ , where we set  $x_0 = z$  and  $\partial_{x_i}(w)$  is the cyclic partial derivative of  $w$  with respect to  $x_i$ .

- (iii) Write  $\delta(x_i) = \sum_{s,t=1}^n k_{st}^i x_i \otimes x_j$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Assume there is an integer  $j$  such that  $k_{jj}^i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $M$  is a standard anti-symmetric matrix. Then  $B$  is graded coherent.

Most of this note is devoted to the proof of Theorem 0.1. However, we will go a bit further to discuss the properties of the algebra  $B$ . Smith’s algebra in [Sm2] is an example satisfying the conditions in the theorem. We will provide a few more examples. We remark that any quadratic algebra  $A$  defined by an invertible anti-symmetric matrix as in the above theorem is isomorphic to a quadratic algebra defined by a standard anti-symmetric matrix (see Convention 2.3 for the definition), because, for every invertible anti-symmetric matrix  $M$ , there is an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^t M P$  is a standard anti-symmetric matrix.

*Remark 0.2.* Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space with basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Take an element  $r \in V \otimes V$ . Since  $V \otimes V \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{k}}(V^*, V)$ , the element  $r$  corresponds to a linear map  $f_r : V^* \rightarrow V$ . The rank of  $r$ , denoted by  $\text{rank}(r)$ , is defined to be the rank of  $f_r$  (cf. [Z2, Introduction]). One sees

$$\text{rank}(r) = \min\{m \mid r = u_1 \otimes v_1 + \dots + u_m \otimes v_m, \text{ for some } u_i, v_i \in V\}.$$

It has been shown that certain features of the algebra  $T(V)/\langle r \rangle$  entirely depend on  $\text{rank}(r)$  (cf. [Z2, Theorem 0.1]). If  $M$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and

$$r = (x_1, \dots, x_n) M \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in V \otimes V,$$

then  $\text{rank}(r) = \text{rank}(M)$ . Therefore, the condition that  $M$  is invertible in Theorem 0.1 is equivalent to the condition that  $\text{rank}(r) = n$ .

Throughout  $\mathbb{k}$  is a fixed field. The unadorned  $\otimes$  means  $\otimes_{\mathbb{k}}$ . Let  $U = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} U_n$  be a graded vector space, and  $l$  an integer. We write  $U(l)$  for the graded vector space with degree  $k$  component  $U(l)_k = U_{k+l}$ .

A connected graded algebra  $A$  is called a *graded Calabi-Yau algebra* of dimension  $d$ , or simply *graded  $d$ -CY algebra* (cf. [Gin]), if

- (i)  $A$  is homologically smooth; that is,  $A$  has a finite resolution by finitely generated graded projective left  $A^e$ -modules, where  $A^e = A \otimes A^{op}$  is the enveloping algebra of  $A$ ;
- (ii) the projective dimension of  $A$  as a left  $A^e$ -module is  $d$ , and  $\text{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, A \otimes A) = 0$  if  $i \neq d$  and  $\text{Ext}_{A^e}^d(A, A \otimes A) \cong A(l)$  for some integer  $l$  as a right  $A^e$ -module.

We refer to [Z1] (also, cf. [Be] and [DV]) for the basic properties of a graded 2-CY algebra.

### 1. ORE EXTENSIONS OF GRADED CALABI-YAU ALGEBRAS OF DIMENSION 2

Let  $V$  be a vector space with basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Let  $A$  be a graded quotient algebra of  $T(V)$ . If  $A$  is a graded 2-CY algebra, then it is defined by an  $n \times n$  invertible anti-symmetric matrix  $M$  [Z1] (also, cf. [Be, Proposition 3.4]); that is,

$A \cong T(V)/\langle r \rangle$  with  $r = (x_1, \dots, x_n)M(x_1, \dots, x_n)^t$ . Henceforth,  $A = T(V)/\langle r \rangle$  with  $r = (x_1, \dots, x_n)M(x_1, \dots, x_n)^t$  for some fixed invertible anti-symmetric matrix  $M$ . Let  $\pi : T(V) \rightarrow A$  be the natural projection map. Since  $\text{degree}(r)=2$ , we can, and we will, identify  $V$  with  $A_1$  through the projection  $\pi$ .

Let  $\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes V$  be a linear map. Then  $\delta$  extends in a unique way to a degree-one derivation (also denoted by  $\delta$ ) of  $T(V)$ . If  $\delta(r) \in \langle r \rangle$ , then  $\delta$  induces a derivation  $\bar{\delta}$  on  $A$ .

From now on, we assume that  $\delta(r) \in \langle r \rangle$ . Let  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  be the graded Ore extension of  $A$  by the derivation  $\bar{\delta}$ ; that is, we view  $z$  as an element of degree one, and  $za = az + \bar{\delta}(a)$  for all  $a \in A$ .

Zhang proved in [Z1] that  $A$  is a Koszul algebra of global dimension 2, and the minimal projective resolution of  ${}_A\mathbb{k}$  can be written as follows:

$$(1) \quad 0 \longrightarrow A \otimes \mathbb{k}r \xrightarrow{\bar{d}^{-2}} A \otimes V \xrightarrow{\bar{d}^{-1}} A \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} \mathbb{k} \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the augmentation map,  $\bar{d}^{-1}(1 \otimes x) = \pi(x)$  for all  $x \in V$ , and  $\bar{d}^{-2}(1 \otimes r) = r \in A_1 \otimes V$ . Since  $B$  is an Ore extension of  $A$ ,  $B$  is a Koszul algebra of global dimension 3. Note that  $B_A$  is a free  $A$ -module. Applying  $B \otimes_A -$  to the sequence (1), we obtain the exact sequence

$$(2) \quad 0 \longrightarrow B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \xrightarrow{d^{-2}} B \otimes V \xrightarrow{d^{-1}} B \longrightarrow B/BA_{\geq 1} \longrightarrow 0,$$

where the unlabeled map is the natural projection map,  $d^{-1}(1 \otimes x) = \pi(x) \in B_1$  for all  $x \in V$ , and  $d^{-2}(1 \otimes r) = r \in B_1 \otimes V$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** *Suppose that  $\delta(r) = 0$  and let  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  be as above. We have the following morphism of cochain complexes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} B \otimes \mathbb{k}r & \xrightarrow{d^{-2}} & B \otimes V & \xrightarrow{d^{-1}} & B \\ f^{-2} \downarrow & & f^{-1} \downarrow & & \downarrow f^0 \\ B \otimes \mathbb{k}r & \xrightarrow{d^{-2}} & B \otimes V & \xrightarrow{d^{-1}} & B, \end{array}$$

where the vertical arrows are left  $B$ -module morphisms  $f^{-2}(1 \otimes r) = z \otimes r$ ,  $f^{-1}(1 \otimes x) = z \otimes x - \delta(x)$  for all  $x \in V$ , and  $f^0(1) = z$ .

*Proof.* We write  $r = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes x_i$  with all  $u_i \in V$ , and assume  $\delta(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n y_{ij} \otimes x_j$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$  with all  $y_{ij} \in V$ . We prove the commutativity of the left square. The commutativity of the right one is easy. The identity  $\delta(r) = 0$  is equivalent to  $\sum_{i=1}^n \delta(u_i) \otimes x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes \delta(x_i) = 0$ , which is in turn equivalent to  $\sum_{i=1}^n \delta(u_i) \otimes x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i \otimes y_{ij} \otimes x_j = 0$ . Applying the map  $\pi \otimes 1 : T(V) \otimes V \rightarrow A \otimes V$  to the last identity, we obtain  $\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\delta}(u_i) \otimes x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i y_{ij} \otimes x_j = 0$ . Hence

$$(3) \quad \bar{\delta}(u_i) = - \sum_{j=1}^n u_j y_{ji}$$

for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . The following equations hold:

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1} \circ d^{-2}(1 \otimes r) &= f^{-1}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes x_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n u_i z \otimes x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i y_{ij} \otimes x_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i z - \sum_{j=1}^n u_j y_{ji}) \otimes x_i, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d^{-2} \circ f^{-2}(1 \otimes r) &= d^{-2}(z \otimes r) = \sum_{i=1}^n z u_i \otimes x_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i z + \bar{\delta}(u_i)) \otimes x_i. \end{aligned}$$

By equation (3),  $f^{-1} \circ d^{-2}(1 \otimes r) = d^{-2} \circ f^{-2}(1 \otimes r)$ . Hence the left square of the diagram commutes. □

The mapping cone of the morphism in Lemma 1.1 provides a graded projective resolution of the trivial module  ${}_B\mathbb{k}$  (see also, [GS, Ph]).

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $r$  and  $B$  be the same as in Lemma 1.1. The minimal projective resolution of  ${}_B\mathbb{k}$  is as follows:*

$$0 \longrightarrow B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \xrightarrow{\partial^{-3}} B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \oplus B \otimes V \xrightarrow{\partial^{-2}} B \otimes V \oplus B \xrightarrow{\partial^{-1}} B \longrightarrow \mathbb{k} \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\partial^{-3} = \begin{pmatrix} f^{-2} & \\ & -d^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\partial^{-2} = \begin{pmatrix} d^{-2} & f^{-1} \\ 0 & -d^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\partial^{-1} = (d^{-1}, f^0)$ .

Let  $A^1$  be the quadratic dual of  $A$ . As graded vector spaces  $A_0^1 \cong \mathbb{k}$ ,  $A_1^1 \cong V^*$  and  $A_2^1 \cong \mathbb{k}r^*$ , where  $r^* \in (\mathbb{k}r)^*$  defined by  $r^*(r) = 1$ . The multiplication on  $A^1$  is given by:  $\alpha\beta = (a_1, \dots, b_n)M(b_1, \dots, b_n)^t r^*$ , for  $\alpha = a_1 x_1^* + \dots + a_n x_n^*$  and  $\beta = b_1 x_1^* + \dots + b_n x_n^*$  in  $V^*$  (cf. [HVZ2, Section 3]), where  $\{x_1^*, \dots, x_n^*\}$  is the basis of  $V^*$  dual to the basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Write  $E^i(B) := \text{Ext}_B^i({}_B\mathbb{k}, {}_B\mathbb{k})$  and  $E(B) := \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} E^i(B)$ . Then  $E(B)$  is a graded algebra with the degree  $i$  component  $E^i(B)$ . The minimal projective resolution of  ${}_B\mathbb{k}$  above implies that, as graded vector spaces,

$$(4) \quad E(B) \cong A^1 \oplus A^1(-1).$$

We write an element in  $E(B)$  as  $(\alpha, \beta)$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in A^1$ , and demote the Yoneda product on  $E(B)$  by  $(\alpha, \beta) * (\alpha', \beta')$ .

**Proposition 1.3.** *Assume  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Then  $A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is a 3-CY algebra.*

*Proof.* By [HVZ1, Proposition 3.3]) in the Koszul case,  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is Calabi-Yau if and only if  $E(B)$  is a graded symmetric algebra. Recall that a finite dimensional graded algebra  $E = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} E^i$  is graded symmetric if there is an integer  $d$  and a homogeneous nondegenerate bilinear form  $\langle -, - \rangle : E \times E \longrightarrow \mathbb{k}(d)$  such that  $\langle \alpha\beta, \gamma \rangle = \langle \alpha, \beta\gamma \rangle$  and  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = (-1)^{ij} \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle$  for all homogeneous elements  $\alpha \in E^i, \beta \in E^j$  and  $\gamma \in E^k$ . Since the global dimension of  $B$  is 3 and  $\dim E^3(B) = 1$ ,

$E(B)$  is graded symmetric if and only if, for all elements  $\Phi \in E^1(B), \Theta \in E^2(B), \Phi * \Theta = \Theta * \Phi$ . Let  $\Phi = (\alpha, k)$  with  $\alpha \in A_1^! = V^*$  and  $k \in \mathbb{k}$ , and  $\Theta = (r^*, \beta)$  with  $\beta \in V^*$ . The element  $\Phi$  induces a  $B$ -module morphism  $g : B \otimes V \oplus B \rightarrow {}_B\mathbb{k}$  by  $g(1 \otimes x, 1) = \alpha(x) + k$  for all  $x \in V$ , and the element  $\Theta$  induces a  $B$ -module morphism  $h : B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \oplus B \otimes V \rightarrow {}_B\mathbb{k}$  by  $h(1 \otimes r, 1 \otimes x) = 1 + \beta(x)$  for all  $x \in V$ . Consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & B \otimes \mathbb{k}r & \xrightarrow{\partial^{-3}} & B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \oplus B \otimes V & \xrightarrow{\partial^{-2}} & B \otimes V \oplus B \xrightarrow{\partial^{-1}} B \cdots \\
 & & \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_0 \searrow g \\
 \cdots & \longrightarrow & B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \oplus B \otimes V & \xrightarrow{\partial^{-2}} & B \otimes V \oplus B & \xrightarrow{\partial^{-1}} & B \longrightarrow {}_B\mathbb{k},
 \end{array}$$

where the vertical arrows are  $B$ -module morphisms defined as follows. As before, we write  $r = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes x_i$  with all  $u_i \in V$ , and assume  $\delta(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n y_{ij} \otimes x_j$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$  with all  $y_{ij} \in V$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_0(1 \otimes x_j, 1) &= \alpha(x_j)1 + k1; \\
 g_1(1 \otimes r, 1 \otimes x_j) &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \otimes u_i \alpha(x_i) - 1 \otimes kx_j - \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \otimes y_{ij} \alpha(x_j), \alpha(x_j)1 \right); \\
 g_2(1 \otimes r) &= (1 \otimes kr, \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \otimes u_i \alpha(x_i)),
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Since  $\delta(r) = 0$ , it follows that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \delta(u_i) \otimes x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i \otimes y_{ij} \otimes x_j = 0.$$

Applying the linear map  $1 \otimes 1 \otimes \alpha$  to this identity, one obtains:

$$(5) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(u_i) \alpha(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i \otimes y_{ij} \alpha(x_j) = 0.$$

Using equation (5) and the following computations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1 \circ \partial^{-3}(1 \otimes r) &= g_1(z \otimes r, -r) \\
 &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n z \otimes u_i \alpha(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes kx_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i \otimes y_{ij} \alpha(x_j), - \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \alpha(x_i) \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial^{-2} \circ g_2(1 \otimes r) &= \partial^{-2} \left( 1 \otimes kr, 1 \otimes \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \alpha(x_i) \right) \\
 &= \left( kr + \sum_{i=1}^n z \otimes u_i \alpha(x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(u_i) \alpha(x_i), - \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \alpha(x_i) \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain the identity:  $g_1 \circ \partial^{-3}(1 \otimes r) = \partial^{-2} \circ g_2(1 \otimes r)$ . Hence  $g_1 \circ \partial^{-3} = \partial^{-2} \circ g_2$ .

Similar computations show that the second square in the diagram commutes. The commutativity of the triangle in the diagram is obvious. Thus, we have  $h \circ g_2(1 \otimes r) = h(1 \otimes kr, \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \otimes u_i \alpha(x_i)) = k + \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(u_i) \alpha(x_i)$ . By the definition of the Yoneda product, we have  $\Theta * \Phi = (r^*, \beta) * (\alpha, k) = kr^* + \beta\alpha$ , where  $\beta\alpha$  is the product in  $A^1$ . Similarly, we can show that  $\Phi * \Theta = kr^* - \alpha\beta$ . Now  $A$  is Calabi-Yau, hence  $A^1$  is graded symmetric; that is,  $\alpha\beta = -\beta\alpha$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in A^1_1$ . It follows that  $\Phi * \Theta = \Theta * \Phi$ . Therefore,  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is Calabi-Yau.  $\square$

The computation in the proof of Proposition 1.3 has given us the formulas of the Yoneda product of  $E(B)$ .

**Corollary 1.4.** *As vector spaces,  $E(B) \cong A^1 \oplus A^1(-1)$ . The Yoneda product of  $E(B)$  is given as follows: for  $\alpha, \beta \in A^1_1$  and  $k, k' \in \mathbb{k}$ ,*

$$(r^*, \beta) * (\alpha, k) = (\alpha, k) * (r^*, \beta) = kr^* + \beta\alpha$$

and

$$(\beta, k') * (\alpha, k) = (\beta\alpha, k'\alpha - k\beta - (\beta \otimes \alpha) \circ \delta),$$

where  $r^*$  is the basis of  $A^1_2$  such that  $r^*(r) = 1$ .

*Proof.* The first identity is proved in the proof of Proposition 1.3. Keep the same notions as in the proof of Proposition 1.3. The element  $(\beta, k')$  induces a  $B$ -module morphism  $g' : B \otimes V \oplus B \rightarrow {}_B\mathbb{k}$  by  $g'(1 \otimes x, 1) = \beta(x) + k'$  for all  $x \in V$ , and  $(\beta\alpha, k'\alpha - k\beta - (\beta \otimes \alpha) \circ \delta)$  induces a  $B$ -module morphism  $f : B \otimes \mathbb{k}r \oplus B \otimes V \rightarrow {}_B\mathbb{k}$  by  $f(1 \otimes r, 1 \otimes x_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(u_i) \alpha(x_i) + k'\alpha(x_j) - k\beta(x_j) - \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(y_{ji}) \alpha(x_i)$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . By the definition of Yoneda product,  $(\beta, k') * (\alpha, k)$  is represented by  $g' \circ g_1$ . Now  $g' \circ g_1(1 \otimes r, 1 \otimes x_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(u_i) \alpha(x_i) - k\beta(x_j) - \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(y_{ji}) \alpha(x_i) + k'\alpha(x_j) = f(1 \otimes r, 1 \otimes x_j)$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Therefore the second identity follows.  $\square$

Let  $\epsilon : A^1 \rightarrow A^1$  be the automorphism of  $A^1$  defined by  $\epsilon(\alpha) = -\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in A^1_1$  and  $\epsilon(\beta) = \beta$  for all  $\beta \in A^1_2$ . Let  ${}_\epsilon A^1$  be the graded  $A^1$ -bimodule whose right  $A^1$ -action is the regular action, and whose left  $A^1$ -action is twisted by the automorphism  $\epsilon$ ; that is, for all  $\gamma, \theta \in A^1$ , the left  $A^1$ -action  $\gamma \cdot \theta = \epsilon(\gamma)\theta$ . Let  $I = {}_\epsilon A^1(-1)$ , and let  $E(A^1; I)$  be the trivial extension of  $A^1$  by the  $A^1$ -bimodule  $I$ . By Corollary 1.4,  $E(B)$  is isomorphic to  $E(A^1; I)$ .

**Corollary 1.5.** *The Yoneda algebra  $E(B)$  is isomorphic to the trivial extension of  $A^1$  by the  $A^1$ -bimodule  $I$ .*

**Example 1.6.** Consider the Calabi-Yau algebra studied by Smith in [Sm2]. Let  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_6 \rangle$  be the free algebra generated by six elements. Let  $A = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_6 \rangle / \langle r \rangle$ , where

$$r = (x_1, \dots, x_6) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define a derivation  $\delta : \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_6 \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_6 \rangle$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x_1) &= x_4x_2 - x_2x_4 + x_3x_5 - x_5x_3 & \delta(x_2) &= x_1x_4 - x_4x_1 + x_3x_6 - x_6x_3 \\ \delta(x_3) &= x_5x_1 - x_1x_5 + x_6x_2 - x_2x_6 & \delta(x_4) &= x_2x_1 - x_1x_2 + x_5x_6 - x_6x_5 \\ \delta(x_5) &= x_1x_3 - x_3x_1 + x_6x_4 - x_4x_6 & \delta(x_6) &= x_2x_3 - x_3x_2 + x_4x_5 - x_5x_4. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\delta(r) = 0$ , and  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is 3-CY [Sm2].

Keep the assumption that  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Let  $\widehat{V} = V \oplus \mathbb{k}z$ . Then  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is a quotient algebra of  $T(\widehat{V})$ . Since  $B$  is 3-CY,  $B$  is defined by a superpotential [Bo, Theorem 3.1]. Let  $\{x_1^*, \dots, x_n^*\}$  be the basis of  $V^*$  dual to  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Recall that a *superpotential* is an element  $w \in \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$  such that  $[\alpha w] = [w\alpha]$  for all  $\alpha \in (\widehat{V})^*$ , where  $[\alpha w] = (\alpha \otimes 1 \otimes 1)(w)$  and  $[w\alpha] = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \alpha)(w)$ . Given a superpotential  $w$ , the *partial derivative* of  $w$  by  $x_i$  is defined by  $\partial_{x_i}(w) = [x_i^* w]$  (cf. [BSW]). By [Bo, Theorem 3.1], there is a superpotential  $w \in \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$  such that  $B \cong T(\widehat{V})/\langle \partial_{x_i}(w) : i = 0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  where  $x_0 = z$ . We next show that the superpotential  $w$  may be written out explicitly. For  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , let  $r_i = z \otimes x_i - x_i \otimes z - \delta(x_i) \in \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$ . Clearly  $r, r_1, \dots, r_n$  are linearly independent in  $\widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$ , moreover  $B \cong T(\widehat{V})/\langle r, r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle$ . Before we construct the general form of the superpotentials, let us look at the following example.

**Example 1.7.** Let  $\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle$  be the free algebra generated by two elements. Let  $\delta : \mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle$  be a derivation defined by  $\delta(x) = bx^2 + cy^2$  and  $\delta(y) = ax^2 - bxy - byx$ , where  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{k}^3$ . Let  $r = xy - yx$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Therefore,  $\delta$  induces a derivation  $\bar{\delta}$  on  $A = \mathbb{k}[x, y]$ . Now  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is 3-CY. A straightforward verification shows that  $w = yxz + zyx + xzy - xyz - zxy - yzx - ax^3 + cy^3 + bxyx + bx^2y + byx^2$  is a superpotential, and  $B \cong \mathbb{k}\langle x, y, z \rangle/\langle \partial_x(w), \partial_y(w), \partial_z(w) \rangle$ . Explicitly, the generating relations are  $r_1 = zy - yz - ax^2 + bxy + bxy, r_2 = xx - zx + cy^2 + bx^2$  and  $r_3 = yx - xy$ .

**Proposition 1.8.** Assume  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Let  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix}$ , and let

$$w = (z, x_1, \dots, x_n)Q \begin{pmatrix} r \\ r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $M$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  anti-symmetric matrix, and  $r_i = z \otimes x_i - x_i \otimes z - \delta(x_i) \in \widehat{V} \otimes \widehat{V}$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

- (i)  $w$  is a superpotential;
- (ii)  $A[z; \bar{\delta}] \cong T(\widehat{V})/\langle \partial_{x_i}(w) : i = 0, \dots, n \rangle$ , where we set  $x_0 = z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{m_{ij} | i, j = 1, \dots, n\}$  be the entries of  $M$ . Then  $r = \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes x_j$ . Since  $\delta(r) = 0$ , we have  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}\delta(x_i) \otimes x_j = -\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes \delta(x_j)$ . Let us

compute the element  $w$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 w &= -z \otimes r + (x_1, \dots, x_n)M \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= -\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}z \otimes x_i \otimes x_j + \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes r_j \\
 &= -\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}z \otimes x_i \otimes x_j + \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes z \otimes x_j \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes x_j \otimes z - \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes \delta(x_j) \\
 &= -\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}(z \otimes x_i - x_i \otimes z) \otimes x_j - \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes x_j \otimes z + \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}\delta(x_i) \otimes x_j \\
 &= -\sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}(z \otimes x_i - x_i \otimes z - \delta(x_i)) \otimes x_j - \sum_{i,j=1}^n m_{ij}x_i \otimes x_j \otimes z \\
 &= -r \otimes z + (r_1, \dots, r_n)M^t \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now it is clear that  $[x_i^*w] = [wx_i^*]$ , and  $\partial_{x_i}(w) = r_i$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , where  $r_0 = r$ . □

### 2. COHERENCE OF $A[z; \bar{\delta}]$

Notation and notions are as in the previous section. By [Z1, Theorem 0.2],  $A$  is Noetherian if and only if  $\dim(V) = 2$ . Since  $B$  is an Ore extension of  $A$  in variable  $z$ ,  $B/Bz$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as a graded left  $B$ -module. Since  $A$  is not left Noetherian when  $\dim(V) > 2$ , neither is  $B$ . Similarly,  $B$  is not right Noetherian when  $\dim(V) > 2$ . Summarizing the foregoing argument, we obtain the following property.

**Lemma 2.1.**  *$B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is Noetherian if and only if  $\dim(V) = 2$ .*

Piontkovski showed in [Pi, Theorem 4.1] that any connected graded algebra with a single quadratic relation is graded coherent. Hence  $A$  is a graded coherent algebra. So, it is natural to ask whether  $B$  is a graded coherent algebra. The answer is affirmative. However, the proof of this property is not trivial because an Ore extension of a coherent ring need not be coherent. In fact, there is a commutative coherent ring  $R$  such that the polynomial extension  $R[z]$  is not coherent [So]. Some other results about the coherence of polynomial rings may be found in [GV]. Let us recall the definition of a graded coherent algebra.

A graded algebra  $D$  is called a *graded left coherent algebra* if one of the following equivalent conditions is satisfied:

- (i) every finitely generated graded left ideal of  $D$  is finitely presented; that is, if  $I$  is a graded left ideal of  $D$ , then there is a finitely graded free  $D$ -module



- $F$  and a surjective morphism  $g : F \rightarrow I$  of graded modules such that  $\ker g$  is also a finitely generated  $D$ -module;
- (ii) every finitely generated graded submodule of a finitely presented graded module is finitely presented;
  - (iii) the category of all finitely presented graded left  $D$ -modules is an abelian category.

Similarly we can define a *graded right coherent* algebra. If a graded algebra is both graded left and right coherent, then it is called a *graded coherent* algebra.

Let  $W = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} W_i$  be a graded vector space with  $\dim(W_i) < \infty$  for all  $i$ . Recall that the Hilbert series of  $W$  is defined to be the power series  $H_W(t) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \dim(W_i)t^i$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n \geq 4$  with basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , and let*

$$(6) \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ -1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

be the invertible  $n \times n$  anti-symmetric matrix with entries in the anti-diagonal line 1 or  $-1$  and others 0. Let  $r = (x_1, \dots, x_n)M(x_1, \dots, x_n)^t$ , and  $A = T(V)/\langle r \rangle$ . Let  $\delta$  be a derivation on  $T(V)$  of degree one. We write  $\delta(x_i) = \sum_{s,t=1}^n k_{st}^i x_s \otimes x_t$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Assume that  $k_{nn}^i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\delta(r) = 0$ . Let  $\bar{\delta}$  be the derivation on  $A$  induced by  $\delta$ . Write  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$ . Then the following hold:

- (i) Let  $I$  be the ideal of  $B$  generated by the elements  $x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}$ . Then  $B/I \cong \mathbb{k}[X, Z]$ , where  $\mathbb{k}[X, Z]$  is the commutative polynomial algebra in variables  $X$  and  $Z$ ;
- (ii) Let  $L = \mathbb{k}x_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{k}x_{n-1}$  and  $L' = \mathbb{k}x_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{k}x_{n-1}$ . Then, as left  $B$ -modules,  $I \cong B \otimes (L \oplus L'x_n \oplus L'x_n^2 \oplus \cdots)$ , where  $L'x_n^k$  ( $k \geq 1$ ) is the vector space spanned by the elements  $x_2x_n^k, \dots, x_{n-1}x_n^k$ .

**Convention 2.3.** *We call an  $n \times n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) invertible anti-symmetric matrix of the form (6) a standard anti-symmetric matrix. If  $M$  is an invertible anti-symmetric matrix, there is an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^tMP$  is standard.*

*Proof of Lemma 2.2.* (i) By assumption,  $\delta(x_n) = \sum_{s,t=1}^n k_{st}^n x_s \otimes x_t$  and  $k_{nn}^n = 0$ . Therefore  $\bar{\delta}(x_n) \in I$  and  $B/I$  is a commutative algebra. There is an algebra morphism  $g : \mathbb{k}[X, Z] \rightarrow B/I$  defined by  $g(X) = x_n$  and  $g(Z) = z$ . Next, we want to construct an algebra morphism from  $B/I$  to  $\mathbb{k}[X, Z]$ . As before, write  $\widehat{V} = V \oplus \mathbb{k}z$ . First, we define  $f : T(\widehat{V}) \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[X, Z]$  by letting  $f(x_i) = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ ,  $f(x_n) = X$  and  $f(z) = Z$ . Denote by  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle$  and by  $\langle z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z \rangle$  the ideals of  $T(\widehat{V})$  respectively generated by  $x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}$  and by  $z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z$ . Obviously,  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle + \langle z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z \rangle \subseteq \ker f$ . Recall that  $B$  is a Koszul algebra and  $B = T(\widehat{V})/J$  where  $J = \langle r, z \otimes x_1 - x_1 \otimes z - \delta(x_1), \dots, z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z - \delta(x_n) \rangle$ . Since  $\delta(x_i) = \sum_{s,t=1}^n k_{st}^i x_s \otimes x_t$  such that  $k_{nn}^i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , it follows that  $\delta(x_i) \in \langle x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Hence

$r, z \otimes x_1 - x_1 \otimes z - \delta(x_1), \dots, z \otimes x_{n-1} - x_{n-1} \otimes z - \delta(x_{n-1}) \in \langle x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle \subseteq \ker f$ . Now  $z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z - \delta(x_n) \in \langle z \otimes x_n - x_n \otimes z \rangle + \langle x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle \subseteq \ker f$ . Hence  $J \subseteq \ker f$ . Therefore,  $f$  induces an algebra morphism  $\bar{f} : B \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[X, Z]$ . Obviously,  $\ker \bar{f} \supseteq I$ . Hence  $\bar{f}$  in turn induces an algebra morphism  $\hat{f} : B/I \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[X, Z]$ . Now it is easy to see that  $\hat{f} \circ g = id = g \circ \hat{f}$ . The statement (i) follows.

(ii) Here we make use of the technique from [Sm2, Proposition 7.3]. Let  $\mu : B \otimes B \rightarrow B$  be the multiplication of  $B$ . Then the restriction of  $\mu$  defines a left  $B$ -module morphism (also denoted by  $\mu$ ):

$$\mu : B \otimes (L \oplus L'x_n \oplus L'x_n^2 \oplus \dots) \rightarrow I.$$

We claim that  $\mu$  is surjective. In fact, if we can show that the image  $I' = \text{im}(\mu)$  is also an ideal of  $B$ , then  $I = I'$ . So, it suffices to show that  $I'x_n \subseteq I'$  and  $I'z \subseteq I'$ . Following the generating relation of  $A$ , we have  $x_1x_n = x_nx_1 + (x_2x_{n-1} - x_{n-1}x_2) + \dots + (x_{\frac{n}{2}}x_{\frac{n}{2}+1} - x_{\frac{n}{2}+1}x_{\frac{n}{2}}) \in BL \subseteq I'$ . Therefore  $I'x_n \subseteq I'$ . In particular,  $\bar{\delta}(x_i) \in I'$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . On the other hand, since  $x_iz = zx_i - \bar{\delta}(x_i)$ , it follows that  $x_iz \in I'$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ . For  $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$ , we have  $x_ix_nz = x_i(zx_n - \bar{\delta}(x_n)) = x_izx_n - x_i\bar{\delta}(x_n) \in I'x_n + x_iI' \subseteq I'$ . Now assume  $x_ix_n^jz \in I'$  for all  $j < k$  and  $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$ . Then

$$x_ix_n^kz = x_ix_n^{k-1}(zx_n - \bar{\delta}(x_n)) = (x_ix_n^{k-1}z)x_n - x_ix_n^{k-1}\bar{\delta}(x_n) \in I'x_n + x_ix_n^{k-1}I' \subseteq I'.$$

Hence  $I'z \subseteq I'$ . The claim follows. To show that  $\mu$  is injective, we only need to compare the Hilbert series of  $I$  and that of  $F := B \otimes (L \oplus L'x_n \oplus L'x_n^2 \oplus \dots)$ . Write  $W = L \oplus L'x_n \oplus L'x_n^2 \oplus \dots$ . Clearly  $H_F(t) = H_B(t) \cdot H_W(t)$ . We have

$$H_W(t) = (n - 1)t + (n - 2)t^2 + (n - 2)t^3 + \dots = ((n - 1)t - t^2)(1 - t)^{-1}.$$

The exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow B \rightarrow B/I \rightarrow 0$  implies  $H_I(t) = H_B(t) - H_{B/I}(t)$ . Since  $B$  is Koszul of global dimension 3, it follows that

$$H_B(t) = (1 - (n + 1)t + (n + 1)t^2 - t^3)^{-1}$$

by [Sm1, Theorem 5.9] and the isomorphism (4) of the previous section. By (i),  $H_{B/I}(t) = (1 - t)^{-2}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} H_I(t) &= (1 - (n + 1)t + (n + 1)t^2 - t^3)^{-1} - (1 - t)^{-2} \\ &= (1 - (n + 1)t + (n + 1)t^2 - t^3)^{-1} \cdot ((n - 1)t - t^2)(1 - t)^{-1} \\ &= H_B(t) \cdot H_W(t) \\ &= H_F(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is injective. So, (ii) follows. □

*Proof of the statement (iii) of Theorem 0.1.* If  $n = 2$ , then  $A = \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2]$ . We obtain that  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is Noetherian, and hence coherent. Now assume  $n \geq 4$ . We only prove the statement when  $j = n$  in the assumption, that is,  $k_{nn}^i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . When  $j \neq n$ , the statement can be proved similarly. By Lemma 2.2, there is an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow B \rightarrow B/I \rightarrow 0$  such that  $B/I$  is a polynomial algebra in two variables and  $I$  is a free graded left  $B$ -module. By [Pi, Proposition 3.2],  $B$  is graded right coherent. Note that the left version of Lemma 2.2(ii) holds too. Hence  $B$  is also graded left coherent. □

As a special case of the statement (iii) of Theorem 0.1, we have the following result, which can be viewed as a noncommutative version of [GV, Theorem 4.3].

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $A$  be a connected graded 2-CY algebra. Then  $A[z]$  is a graded coherent algebra.*

*Proof.* By [Z1, Theorem 0.1] (also, cf. [Be, Proposition 3.4]),  $A$  is defined by an invertible anti-symmetric matrix  $M$ , that is,  $A = T(V)/\langle r \rangle$  with  $r = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \times M(x_1, \dots, x_n)^t$ . For an invertible anti-symmetric matrix  $M$ , there is an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^tMP$  is a standard invertible anti-symmetric matrix. Then the algebras defined by  $M$  and  $P^tMP$  respectively are isomorphic to each other. Hence we may assume that the anti-symmetric matrix  $M$  itself is standard. Now by (iii) of Theorem 0.1, we see that  $A[z]$  is graded coherent.  $\square$

Now assume that  $B = A[z; \bar{\delta}]$  is graded coherent. We may form a noncommutative projective space from  $B$ . Following [Po], we denote by  $\text{coh}B$  the category of all finitely presented graded left  $B$ -modules, and by  $\text{fdim}B$  the category of all finite dimensional graded left  $B$ -modules. Since  $B$  is graded coherent,  $\text{fdim}B$  is a Serre subcategory of  $\text{coh}B$ . Hence the quotient category

$$\text{cohproj}B := \text{coh}B/\text{fdim}B$$

is also an abelian category. Since  $B$  is Koszul and 3-CY,  $B$  is Artin-Schelter regular with Gorenstein parameter  $-3$ . Hence the Beilinson algebra of  $B$  (for the terminology, see [MM, Definition 4.7]) is

$$\nabla B = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{k} & B_1 & B_2 \\ 0 & \mathbb{k} & B_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbb{k} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $\text{mod}\nabla B$  be the category of finite dimensional left  $\nabla B$ -modules. Then by [MM, Theorem 4.14], we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.5.** *If the conditions of Theorem 0.1 are satisfied, then there is an equivalence of triangulated categories:*

$$D^b(\text{cohproj}B) \cong D^b(\text{mod}\nabla B),$$

where  $D^b(-)$  is the bounded derived category of the corresponding abelian category.

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