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# The Grothendieck group of a triangulated category



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## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a skeletally small triangulated category. Denote by  $\Sigma$  its suspension functor. Recall from [2] that a full additive subcategory  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  is *presilting* if  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^i \mathcal{M}) = 0$  for any  $i \geq 1$ , or equivalently,  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^i(\mathcal{M}')) = 0$  for any  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M}' \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $i \geq 1$ . It is called *silting*, if in addition  $\mathcal{T} = \operatorname{tri}\langle \mathcal{M} \rangle$ , that is, the smallest triangulated subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$  containing  $\mathcal{M}$  coincides with  $\mathcal{T}$  itself; compare [16].

The definition given here is slightly different from [2, Definition 2.1], since we do not require that  $\mathcal{M}$  is closed under direct summands. The main example in mind is the bounded homotopy category  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$  of a skeletally small additive category  $\mathcal{A}$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a silting subcategory of  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$ , which is not necessarily closed under direct summands in general; see Lemma 3.6.

The Grothendieck group of  $\mathcal{T}$  is denoted by  $K_0(\mathcal{T})$ . For a skeletally small additive category  $\mathcal{A}$ , we denote by  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{A})$  its split Grothendieck group.

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#### ABSTRACT

We give a direct proof of the following known result: the Grothendieck group of a triangulated category with a silting subcategory is isomorphic to the split Grothendieck group of the silting subcategory. Moreover, we obtain its cluster-tilting analogue.

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The goal of this work is to give a direct proof of the following result; see Theorem 3.3.

**Theorem A.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a silting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.

Theorem A is essentially due to [5, Theorem 5.3.1], which is formulated using a weight structure and whose indirect proof relies on the weight complex functor. Under the additional Krull-Schmidt assumption on  $\mathcal{T}$ , Theorem A is proved in [2, Theorem 2.27]. We mention that [2, Theorem 2.27] plays a fundamental role in the study of K-theoretical aspects of silting theory [3].

The surjectivity of the induced homomorphism  $K_0^{\text{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \to K_0(\mathcal{T})$  above is immediate, but the injectivity is somehow nontrivial. For this, we establish the inverse homomorphism, whose argument modifies the one in [2] and relies on the octahedral axiom (TR4).

Theorem 3.3 contains slightly more information than Theorem A, since the Grothendieck group of an intermediate subcategory is also studied. Moreover, we obtain a cluster-tilting analogue of Theorem A in Corollary 4.10, which describes the Grothendieck group of  $\mathcal{T}$  as an explicit quotient group of the split Grothendieck group of a cluster-tilting subcategory. We mention related work [22,8,15,21] on comparing the Grothendieck groups of triangulated categories and those of certain subcategories.

Theorem A has the following immediate consequence [24, Theorem 1.1], which seems to be well known to experts and is very related to [25, Introduction, the fourth paragraph] and [11, Subsection 3.2.1, Lemma 3].

**Corollary B.** The inclusion  $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$  induces an isomorphism  $K_{0}^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{A}) \simeq K_{0}(\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A}))$  of abelian groups.

The paper is structured as follows. In Section 2, we study filtrations of objects with respect to a presilting subcategory. We prove Theorem A in Section 3. In the final section, we study cluster-tilting analogues of the results in Section 3.

We refer to [12,4] for triangulated categories and to [27] for Grothendieck groups. All subcategories are assumed to be full and additive, though not necessarily closed under direct summands.

## 2. Filtrations

Throughout this section, we fix a triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$ . We assume that  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$  is a skeletally small additive subcategory, which is presilting. We study filtrations on objects, which is the key ingredient of the proof in the next section.

For two subcategories  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$ , we have the following subcategory

$$\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{Y} = \{E \in \mathcal{T} \mid \exists \text{ an exact triangle } X \to E \to Y \to \Sigma(X) \text{ with } X \in \mathcal{X}, Y \in \mathcal{Y}\}$$

The operation \* on subcategories is associative; see [4, Lemme 1.3.10].

Lemma 2.1. The following statements hold.

(1)  $\Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{j}\mathcal{M} \subseteq \Sigma^{j}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}$  for j < i, and  $\Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} = \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}$ .

(2) Hom<sub> $\mathcal{T}$ </sub> $(\Sigma^{-n}\mathcal{M}*\Sigma^{-(n-1)}\mathcal{M}*\cdots*\Sigma^{-1}\mathcal{M},\Sigma^{m}\mathcal{M})=0$  if  $0 \leq m$  and  $1 \leq n$ .

**Proof.** For (1), we consider an exact triangle

$$\Sigma^{i}(M_{1}) \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow \Sigma^{j}(M_{2}) \xrightarrow{a} \Sigma^{i+1}(M_{1})$$

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with  $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$ . Since  $\mathcal{M}$  is presilting and  $j \leq i$ , we have a = 0. It follows that  $E \simeq \Sigma^i(M_1) \oplus \Sigma^j(M_2)$ , which belongs to  $\Sigma^j \mathcal{M} * \Sigma^i \mathcal{M}$ . If i = j, the object E belongs to  $\Sigma^i \mathcal{M}$ .

For (2), we take  $0 \le m$ , and consider the subcategory

$$\mathcal{S}_m = \{ E \in \mathcal{T} \mid \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(E, \Sigma^m \mathcal{M}) = 0 \}.$$

This subcategory is closed under extensions. Since  $\mathcal{M}$  is presilting,  $\mathcal{S}_m$  contains  $\Sigma^{-n}\mathcal{M}$  for any  $1 \leq n$ . Then we deduce (2).  $\Box$ 

**Definition 2.2.** Let X be an object in  $\mathcal{T}$ . A  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of length  $n \geq 1$  for X means a sequence of morphisms

$$0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$$

such that each morphism fits into an exact triangle

$$X_{i+1} \longrightarrow X_i \longrightarrow \Sigma^{-i}(M_i^X) \longrightarrow \Sigma(X_{i+1})$$

with the *i*-th factors  $M_i^X \in \mathcal{M}$  for each  $0 \le i \le n-1$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{F}$  the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$  formed by those objects, which admit a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration.

**Remark 2.3.** (1) In the filtration above, each  $X_i$  belongs to

$$\Sigma^{-(n-1)}\mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-(i+1)}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{-i}\mathcal{M}.$$

Consequently, by Lemma 2.1(2) we have

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X, \Sigma(M)) = 0 = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(X_1, M)$$

for any  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ .

(2) We observe that

$$\mathcal{F} = \bigcup_{n \ge 0} \Sigma^{-n} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}$$

By applying Lemma 2.1(1) repeatedly, we infer that  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under extensions.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a skeletally small additive category. For each object A, the corresponding element in the split Grothendieck group  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{A})$  is denoted by  $\langle A \rangle$ . Therefore, we have  $\langle A \oplus B \rangle = \langle A \rangle + \langle B \rangle$ .

Assume that there are two  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtrations of X:

$$0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$$

$$(2.1)$$

and

$$0 = Y_m \longrightarrow Y_{m-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Y_1 \longrightarrow Y_0 = X$$
(2.2)

with factors  $M_i^X$  and  $M_j^Y$ . The two filtrations are said to be *equivalent* if

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i \langle M_i^X \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (-1)^j \langle M_j^Y \rangle$$

holds in  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$ .

The argument in the following proof resembles the one in proving the Jordan-Hölder theorem for modules of finite length. It releases the restriction of the existence of minimal morphisms, which is needed in the proof of [2, Theorem 2.27]; compare [8, Remark 5.3].

**Proposition 2.4.** Any two  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtrations of an object X are equivalent.

**Proof.** We assume that (2.1) and (2.2) are two given filtrations of X with  $n, m \ge 1$ . By extending one of the filtrations by zeros, we may assume that they have the same length, that is, n = m. We use induction on the common length n. If n = 1, the statement is trivial, since both  $M_0^X$  and  $M_0^Y$  are isomorphic to X.

We assume that  $n \geq 2$ . We apply (TR4) to the exact triangles  $Y_1 \to X \to M_0^Y \to \Sigma(Y_1)$  and  $X \to M_0^X \to \Sigma(X_1) \to \Sigma(X)$ , and obtain the following commutative diagram.



By Remark 2.3(1), we have a = 0 = b. Therefore, we have isomorphisms

$$\Sigma(X_1) \oplus M_0^Y \simeq Z \simeq \Sigma(Y_1) \oplus M_0^X.$$

The exact triangle  $X_2 \to X_1 \to \Sigma^{-1}(M_1^X) \to \Sigma(X_2)$  gives rise to the following one

$$\Sigma(X_2) \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow M_1^X \oplus M_0^Y \longrightarrow \Sigma^2(X_2).$$

Consequently, we have a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of length n-1 for Z.

$$0 = \Sigma(X_n) \longrightarrow \Sigma(X_{n-1}) \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \Sigma(X_2) \longrightarrow Z$$

Its factors are given by  $\{M_1^X \oplus M_0^Y, M_2^X, \cdots, M_{n-1}^X\}$ . Similarly, we have another filtration of length n-1

$$0 = \Sigma(Y_n) \longrightarrow \Sigma(Y_{n-1}) \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \Sigma(Y_2) \longrightarrow Z$$

with factors  $\{M_1^Y \oplus M_0^X, M_2^Y, \dots, M_{n-1}^Y\}$ . Now by induction, these two filtrations for Z are equivalent, that is, we have

$$\langle M_1^X \oplus M_0^Y \rangle + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} (-1)^{i-1} \langle M_i^X \rangle = \langle M_1^Y \oplus M_0^X \rangle + \sum_{j=2}^{n-1} (-1)^{j-1} \langle M_j^Y \rangle.$$

This implies that  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i \langle M_i^X \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (-1)^j \langle M_j^Y \rangle$ , as required.  $\Box$ 

The following result is analogous to the horseshoe lemma.

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{a} Y \xrightarrow{b} Z \xrightarrow{c} \Sigma(X)$  be an exact triangle with  $X, Z \in \mathcal{F}$ , and assume that  $n \geq 1$ . If

$$0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$$

and

$$0 = Z_n \longrightarrow Z_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Z_1 \longrightarrow Z_0 = Z_0$$

are  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtrations of X and Z, respectively, then Y has a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration

$$0 = Y_n \longrightarrow Y_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Y_1 \longrightarrow Y_0 = Y$$

with its factors  $M_i^Y \simeq M_i^X \oplus M_i^Z$  for  $0 \le i \le n-1$ .

**Proof.** By Remark 2.3(1), the following square trivially commutes.

$$\begin{array}{c} Z \xrightarrow{c} \Sigma(X) \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ M_0^Z \xrightarrow{0} \Sigma(M_0^X) \end{array}$$

Applying the  $3 \times 3$  Lemma in [4, Proposition 1.1.11] and rotations, we have the following commutative diagram with exact columns and rows.



The middle vertical triangle

$$\Sigma^{-1}(M_0^X \oplus M_Z^0) \longrightarrow Y_1 \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow M_0^X \oplus M_0^Z$$

implies that  $M_0^Y \simeq M_0^X \oplus M_0^Z$ . We now repeat the argument to the exact triangle  $X_1 \xrightarrow{a_1} Y_1 \xrightarrow{b_1} Z_1 \xrightarrow{c_1} \Sigma(X_1)$ . Then we obtain the required filtration for Y.  $\Box$ 

# 3. The proof of Theorem A

In this section, we give the proof of Theorem A and describe the original version [5] of Theorem A in terms of bounded weight structures. We fix a skeletally small triangulated category  $\mathcal{T}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a full additive subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We define its *Grothendieck group*  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$  to be the abelian group generated by  $\{[C] \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$  subject to the relations  $[C] - ([C_1] + [C_2])$  whenever there is an exact triangle  $C_1 \to C \to C_2 \to \Sigma(C_1)$  in  $\mathcal{T}$  with  $C_i, C \in \mathcal{C}$ . We emphasize that  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$  depends on the inclusion  $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$ .

The following result indicates that the Grothendieck group  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$  of a certain subcategory  $\mathcal{C}$  might be useful.

**Lemma 3.1.** Assume that the full subcategory C is closed under  $\Sigma^{-1}$  and that for any object  $X \in \mathcal{T}$  there exists a natural number n such that  $\Sigma^{-n}(X) \in C$ . Then the inclusion  $C \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0(\mathcal{C}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$ .

**Proof.** We make an easy observation: for each object C in  $\mathcal{C}$ , the trivial triangle  $\Sigma^{-1}(C) \to 0 \to C \to C$ implies that  $[\Sigma^{-1}(C)] = -[C]$  in  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$ . For each object X in  $\mathcal{T}$ , we choose a natural number n with  $\Sigma^{-n}(X) \in \mathcal{C}$ , and define an element  $\phi(X) = [\Sigma^{-n}(X)]$  in  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$ . The observation above implies that  $\phi(X)$ does not depend on the choice of n. Since any  $\Sigma^{-n}$  is a triangle functor, these  $\phi(X)$  give rise to a well-defined homomorphism  $\Phi \colon K_0(\mathcal{T}) \to K_0(\mathcal{C})$  such that  $\Phi([X]) = \phi(X)$ . It is routine to verify that  $\Phi$  is inverse to the induced homomorphism  $K_0(\mathcal{C}) \to K_0(\mathcal{T})$ .  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 3.2.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a presilting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F})$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** For each  $X \in \mathcal{F}$ , we choose a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration

 $0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$ 

with  $n \geq 1$  and factors  $M_i^X$ . We define an element

$$\gamma(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i \langle M_i^X \rangle$$

in  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$ . By Proposition 2.4, the element  $\gamma(X)$  does not depend on the choice of such a filtration. By Lemma 2.5, the map  $(X \mapsto \gamma(X))$  is compatible with exact triangles in  $\mathcal{F}$ . Therefore, such a map induces a well-defined homomorphism  $\Gamma: K_0(\mathcal{F}) \to K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$  such that  $\Gamma([X]) = \gamma(X)$ . It is routine to verify that  $\Gamma$  is inverse to the induced homomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \to K_0(\mathcal{F})$ .  $\Box$ 

The following result contains Theorem A, which is analogous to [21, Proposition 4.11] in the setting of extriangulated categories [19]. Notably, our result does not require the silting subcategory to be closed under direct summands.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a silting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then the inclusions  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induce isomorphisms  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** The isomorphism  $K_0^{\rm sp}(\mathcal{M}) \to K_0(\mathcal{F})$  follows from Proposition 3.2. Recall from Remark 2.3(2) that

$$\mathcal{F} = \bigcup_{n \ge 0} \Sigma^{-n} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}.$$

In particular,  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under  $\Sigma^{-1}$ . Since  $\mathcal{T} = \operatorname{tri}\langle \mathcal{M} \rangle$ , each object X of  $\mathcal{T}$  belongs to

$$\Sigma^{i_1}\mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{i_{n-1}}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{i_n}\mathcal{M}$$

for some  $i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, i_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By Lemma 2.1(1), we may assume that  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_n$ . Consequently, for any sufficiently large n, the object  $\Sigma^{-n}(X)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}$ . So, the conditions in Lemma 3.1 are fulfilled. Then the required isomorphism  $K_0(\mathcal{F}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  follows immediately.  $\Box$ 

Recall from [5, Definition 1.1.1] that a *weight structure* on  $\mathcal{T}$  is a pair  $(\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}, \mathcal{U}_{\leq 0})$  of subcategories subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Both  $\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}$  and  $\mathcal{U}_{\leq 0}$  are closed under direct summands;
- (2)  $\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}$  is closed under  $\Sigma^{-1}$ , and  $\mathcal{U}_{\leq 0}$  is closed under  $\Sigma$ ;
- (3) Hom<sub> $\mathcal{T}$ </sub>( $\mathcal{U}_{>0}, \Sigma \mathcal{U}_{<0}$ ) = 0;
- (4)  $\mathcal{U}_{>0} * \Sigma \mathcal{U}_{<0} = \mathcal{T}.$

The core of the weight structure is defined to be the subcategory  $C = U_{\geq 0} \cap U_{\leq 0}$ . It is a presilting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We mention that a weight structure is called a co-t-structure, and the core is called the coheart in [23, Definitions 2.4 and 2.6].

The weight structure  $(\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}, \mathcal{U}_{\leq 0})$  is bounded if for each object X, there exist natural numbers  $n \leq m$ such that  $X \in \Sigma^{-n} \mathcal{U}_{\geq 0} \cap \Sigma^{-m} \mathcal{U}_{\leq 0}$ . In this case, the core  $\mathcal{C}$  is a silting subcategory; see [5, Corollary 1.5.7]. Moreover, by [2, Proposition 2.23(b)] any silting subcategory which is closed under direct summands arises as the core of a bounded weight structure.

The following result is due to [5, Theorem 5.3.1], which might be viewed as a version of Theorem 3.3.

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $(\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}, \mathcal{U}_{\leq 0})$  be a bounded weight structure on  $\mathcal{T}$  with core  $\mathcal{C}$ . Then the inclusions  $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}_{\geq 0} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induce isomorphisms  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{C}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** As mentioned above, the core C is a silting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Moreover, by [2, Proposition 2.23(b)] an object has a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(C)$ -filtration if and only if it belongs to  $\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}$ . Then we deduce these isomorphisms by Theorem 3.3.  $\Box$ 

**Remark 3.5.** (1) By applying the corollary above to the opposite category of  $\mathcal{T}$ , one might deduce isomorphisms  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{C}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{U}_{\leq 0}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.

(2) The corollary above is analogous to the following well-known result; see [1, Proposition A.9.5]. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  have a bounded t-structure  $(\mathcal{D}^{\leq 0}, \mathcal{D}^{\geq 0})$  with heart  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{D}^{\leq 0} \cap \mathcal{D}^{\geq 0}$ . Then the inclusions  $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}^{\leq 0} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induce isomorphisms  $K_0(\mathcal{A}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{D}^{\leq 0}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.

(3) We mention that the isomorphism  $K_0^{\text{sp}}(\mathcal{C}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  above is extended to isomorphisms between the corresponding higher K-groups in [26]. One expects that the higher K-groups of  $\mathcal{U}_{\geq 0}$  are also isomorphic to them.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a skeletally small additive category. Denote its bounded homotopy category by  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$ . We identify any object in  $\mathcal{A}$  with the corresponding stalk complex concentrated in degree zero. Therefore,  $\mathcal{A}$  is viewed as a full subcategory of  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$ . Moreover, it is a silting subcategory.

Recall that an idempotent  $e: A \to A$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  splits if there are morphisms  $r: A \to Y$  and  $s: Y \to A$ satisfying  $e = s \circ r$  and  $\mathrm{Id}_Y = r \circ s$ . The category  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be *weakly idempotent-split*, if any idempotent  $e: X \to X$  splits whenever  $\mathrm{Id}_X - e$  splits.

The following result is due to [6, Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 4.3(1)].

**Lemma 3.6.** The subcategory  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$  is closed under direct summands if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  is weakly idempotent-split.

**Proof.** By [18, Lemma 2.2], any triangulated category is weakly idempotent-split. Consequently, any full subcategory of a triangulated category is weakly idempotent-split, provided that it is closed under direct summands. Then we have the "only if" part.

For the "if" part, we observe by [6, Theorem 4.1] that  $\mathcal{A}$  is identified with the core of the standard weight structure on  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$ . In particular, it is closed under direct summands in  $\mathbf{K}^{b}(\mathcal{A})$ .  $\Box$ 

# 4. A cluster-tilting analogue of Theorem A

In this section, we obtain a cluster-tilting analogue of Theorem A; see Corollary 4.10. The main result is Theorem 4.8, which is a cluster-tilting analogue of Proposition 3.2.

Throughout this section, we fix  $d \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  a skeletally small triangulated category. Following [14, Section 3], we say that a full additive subcategory  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  is *d*-rigid if  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i < d$ . We mention that a presilting subcategory is always *d*-rigid.

We fix a *d*-rigid subcategory  $\mathcal{M}$ . The following result is analogous to Lemma 2.1 with the same proof.

Lemma 4.1. The following statements hold.

- (1)  $\Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{j}\mathcal{M} \subseteq \Sigma^{j}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}$  for i+1-d < j < i, and  $\Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M} = \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}$ .
- (2)  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma^{-n}\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{-(n-1)}\mathcal{M} * \dots * \Sigma^{-1}\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^{m}\mathcal{M}) = 0 \text{ if } 0 \le m < d-1 \text{ and } 1 \le n < d-m. \quad \Box$

For each  $1 \leq m \leq d$ , we consider the full subcategory  $\mathcal{F}_m$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  formed by those objects, which admit a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of length n with  $n \leq m$ . Therefore, we have

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{F}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{F}_2 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathcal{F}_d.$$

By Lemma 4.1(1), for each  $1 \leq m < d$ , the subcategory  $\mathcal{F}_m$  is closed under extensions; compare Remark 2.3(2). However,  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is not closed under extensions in general; compare Lemma 4.3 below.

For any object X in  $\mathcal{T}$ , we denote by add X the full subcategory formed by direct summands of finite direct sums of X.

**Example 4.2.** Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field. Let A be the finite dimensional  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra given by the following quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3$$

subject to the relation  $\beta \alpha = 0$ . Each vertex *i* corresponds to a simple module  $S_i$  and an indecomposable projective module  $P_i$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{D}^b(A\text{-mod})$  the bounded derived category of finite dimensional left *A*-modules. Set  $\mathcal{M} = \text{add} (S_1 \oplus S_3)$ . Then it is a 2-rigid subcategory of  $\mathbf{D}^b(A\text{-mod})$ . We have

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M} = \operatorname{add} (\Sigma^{-1} (S_1 \oplus S_3) \oplus (S_1 \oplus S_3)).$$

Consider the two-term complex

$$X = \cdots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow P_2 \longrightarrow P_1 \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \cdots,$$

where  $P_1$  has degree 1 and the unnamed arrow  $P_2 \rightarrow P_1$  is induced by multiplying  $\alpha$  from the right. We have an exact triangle

$$S_3 \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow \Sigma^{-1}(S_1) \longrightarrow \Sigma(S_3).$$

Therefore, X belongs to  $\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_2 * \mathcal{F}_2$ , but X does not belong to  $\mathcal{F}_2$ . Consequently,  $\mathcal{F}_2$  is not closed under extensions.

The following fact is well known.

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a d-rigid subcategory. Then  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions if and only if  $\mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{-(d-1)}\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_d$ .

**Proof.** It suffices to prove the "if" part. Since  $\mathcal{F}_d = \Sigma^{-(d-1)} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}$ , by applying Lemma 4.1(1) repeatedly, we have

$$\Sigma^{-i}\mathcal{M} * \mathcal{F}_d \subseteq \mathcal{F}_d \text{ and } \mathcal{F}_d * \Sigma^{-j}\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_d$$

$$(4.1)$$

for any  $1 \le i \le d-1$  and  $0 \le j \le d-2$ . Then we have the following inclusions.

$$\mathcal{F}_{d} * \mathcal{F}_{d} = \Sigma^{-(d-1)} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M} * \Sigma^{-(d-1)} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}$$
$$\subseteq \Sigma^{-(d-1)} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{F}_{d} * \Sigma^{-(d-2)} \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{-1} \mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}$$
$$\subseteq \mathcal{F}_{d}.$$

Here, the first inclusion uses the hypothesis, and the last one follows by applying (4.1) repeatedly.

We emphasize that the condition  $Z \in \mathcal{F}_{d-1}$  in Proposition 4.4(2) below is crucial.

## **Proposition 4.4.**

(1) Any two  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtrations of an object X with length at most d are equivalent.

(2) Let  $X \to Y \to Z \to \Sigma(X)$  be an exact triangle. Assume that  $1 \le n \le d$ , and that

$$0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$$

and

$$0 = Z_n \longrightarrow Z_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Z_1 \longrightarrow Z_0 = Z$$

are  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtrations of X and Z, respectively. If Z belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ , then Y has a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration

 $0 = Y_n \longrightarrow Y_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Y_1 \longrightarrow Y_0 = Y$ 

with its factors  $M_i^Y \simeq M_i^X \oplus M_i^Z$  for  $0 \le i \le n-1$ .

**Proof.** The same proof of Proposition 2.4 yields (1). For (2), since Z belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ , by Lemma 4.1(2) we do have  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Z, \Sigma \mathcal{M})=0$ . Then the first square in the proof of Lemma 2.5 trivially commutes. The remaining argument there carries through, and yields the required filtration for Y.  $\Box$ 

In what follows, we obtain two cluster-tilting analogues of Proposition 3.2. The following proposition is similar to [20, Proposition 4.8].

**Proposition 4.5.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a d-rigid subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then for each  $1 \leq m < d$ , the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_m$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\rm sp}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F}_m)$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** For each  $X \in \mathcal{F}_m$ , we choose a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration

$$0 = X_n \longrightarrow X_{n-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = X$$

with  $n \leq m$  and factors  $M_i^X$ . We define an element

$$\gamma(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i \langle M_i^X \rangle \tag{4.2}$$

in  $K_0^{\rm sp}(\mathcal{M})$ . By Proposition 4.4(1), the element  $\gamma(X)$  does not depend on the choice of such a filtration; compare [8, Remark 5.2]. This statement holds also for the case m = d.

By Proposition 4.4(2), the map  $(X \mapsto \gamma(X))$  is compatible with exact triangles in  $\mathcal{F}_m$  for m < d. Therefore, such a map induces a well-defined homomorphism  $\Gamma: K_0(\mathcal{F}_m) \to K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$  such that  $\Gamma([X]) = \gamma(X)$ . It is routine to verify that  $\Gamma$  is inverse to the induced homomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \to K_0(\mathcal{F}_m)$ .  $\Box$ 

The following remark shows that the condition m < d above is necessary.

**Remark 4.6.** The induced map  $K_0^{\text{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \to K_0(\mathcal{F}_d)$  is surjective, but not injective in general. We define the relative Grothendieck group  $K_0^{\text{rel}}(\mathcal{F}_d)$  to be the abelian group generated by the set  $\{\{C\} \mid C \in \mathcal{F}_d\}$  subject to the relations  $\{C\} - (\{C_1\} + \{C_2\})$  whenever there is an exact triangle  $C_1 \to C \to C_2 \to \Sigma(C_1)$  in  $\mathcal{T}$  with  $C_1, C \in \mathcal{F}_d$  and  $C_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ . Then the same argument above yields an isomorphism

$$K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \xrightarrow{\sim} K_0^{\mathrm{rel}}(\mathcal{F}_d),$$

whose inverse sends  $\{C\}$  to  $\gamma(C)$ .

The following immediate consequence of Proposition 4.5 somehow complements Proposition 3.2.

**Corollary 4.7.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a presilting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then for any  $m \geq 1$ , the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_m$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\rm sp}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F}_m)$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** As mentioned before, any presilting subcategory is *d*-rigid for any  $d \ge 2$ . Then the required result follows from Proposition 4.5 immediately.  $\Box$ 

Assume that  $\mathcal{M}$  is *d*-rigid such that  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions. Denote by N the subgroup of  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$  generated by the elements

$$\gamma(E) - \langle M_1 \rangle - (-1)^{d-1} \langle M_2 \rangle$$

for all exact triangles

$$M_1 \to E \to \Sigma^{-(d-1)}(M_2) \to \Sigma(M_1) \tag{4.3}$$

with  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ . Here, we observe by the assumption above that E belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_d$ , and refer to (4.2) for the definition of  $\gamma(E)$ . We consider the quotient group  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})/N$ , whose typical element is denoted by  $\overline{\langle M \rangle}$ . **Theorem 4.8.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a d-rigid subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions. Then the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_d$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})/N \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F}_d)$  of abelian groups.

**Proof.** The inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_d$  certainly induces a homomorphism

$$K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})/N \longrightarrow K_0(\mathcal{F}_d),$$

which is surjective. To construct its inverse, it suffices to prove the following claim: for each exact triangle  $X \xrightarrow{a} Y \xrightarrow{b} Z \xrightarrow{c} \Sigma(X)$  with  $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{F}_d$ , we always have

$$\overline{\gamma(Y)} = \overline{\gamma(X)} + \overline{\gamma(Z)}.$$

Step 1. Assume that Z belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ . Proposition 4.4(2) yields  $\gamma(Y) = \gamma(X) + \gamma(Z)$  in  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$ . Step 2. Assume that Z belongs to  $\Sigma^{-(d-1)}\mathcal{M}$ . Fix an exact triangle

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{i} X \xrightarrow{p} M_0^X \longrightarrow \Sigma(X_1)_{i}$$

which appears in a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of X with length d. In particular, we have  $M_0^X \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\Sigma(X_1) \in \mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ . By the construction (4.2) of  $\gamma(X)$ , we have

$$\gamma(X) = \gamma(X_1) + \langle M_0^X \rangle. \tag{4.4}$$

By (TR4) and rotations, we have the following commutative diagram.

Here, the third row and the second column from the left are both exact triangles. Since  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions, the third row implies that E belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_d$ . Recall that Z belongs to  $\Sigma^{-(d-1)}\mathcal{M}$ . The very definition of the subgroup N yields

$$\overline{\gamma(E)} = \overline{\langle M_0^X \rangle} + \overline{\gamma(Z)}.$$
(4.5)

By rotating the second column, we have an exact triangle  $Y \to E \to \Sigma(X_1) \to \Sigma(Y)$ . Since  $\Sigma(X_1) \in \mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ , Step 1 yields

$$\gamma(E) = \gamma(Y) + \gamma(\Sigma(X_1)) = \gamma(Y) - \gamma(X_1).$$
(4.6)

By combining (4.4), (4.5) and (4.6), we obtain the required equality.

Step 3. We now treat the general case. Using the  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of Z with length d, we obtain an exact triangle

$$\Sigma^{-(d-1)}(M_{d-1}^Z) \xrightarrow{j} Z \xrightarrow{q} Z' \longrightarrow \Sigma^{2-d}(M_{d-1}^Z)$$

with  $M_{d-1}^Z \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $Z' \in \mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ . Moreover, by the construction (4.2) of  $\gamma(Z)$ , we have

$$\gamma(Z) = \gamma(Z') + (-1)^{(d-1)} \langle M_{d-1}^Z \rangle.$$
(4.7)

By (TR4) and rotations, we have the following commutative diagram.



The second column from the left is an exact triangle. Since Z' belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_{d-1}$ , Step 1 yields

$$\gamma(Y) = \gamma(F) + \gamma(Z'). \tag{4.8}$$

Applying Step 2 to the first row, we have

$$\overline{\gamma(F)} = \overline{\gamma(X)} + (-1)^{d-1} \overline{\langle M_{d-1}^Z \rangle}.$$
(4.9)

Combining (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9), we obtain the required equality. This proves the claim, and completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

**Remark 4.9.** (1) We mention that Theorem 4.8 actually implies Proposition 4.5. To be more precise, we assume that  $\mathcal{M}$  is d'-rigid with d' > d. Since we have  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma^{-(d-1)}\mathcal{M}, \Sigma\mathcal{M}) = 0$ , by Lemma 4.3  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions; moreover, the corresponding subgroup N of  $K_0^{\operatorname{sp}}(\mathcal{M})$  is zero. Then the isomorphism in Theorem 4.8 yields the required isomorphism  $K_0^{\operatorname{sp}}(\mathcal{M}) \simeq K_0(\mathcal{F}_d)$  in Proposition 4.5.

(2) Assume that  $\mathcal{F}_d$  is closed under extensions. Combining the isomorphisms in Remark 4.6 and Theorem 4.8, we obtain the following one

$$K_0^{\mathrm{rel}}(\mathcal{F}_d)/N' \xrightarrow{\sim} K_0(\mathcal{F}_d), \ \{C\} + N' \mapsto [C].$$

Here, N' is the subgroup of  $K_0^{\text{rel}}(\mathcal{F}_d)$  generated by the elements

$${E} - {M_1} - {(-1)^{d-1}} {M_2}$$

for all exact triangles  $M_1 \to E \to \Sigma^{-(d-1)}(M_2) \to \Sigma(M_1)$  with  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ .

Following [14, Section 3] and [17, Definition 5.1], a *d*-rigid subcategory  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  is called *d*-cluster-tilting provided that  $\mathcal{F}_d = \mathcal{T}$ . The condition is equivalent to  $\mathcal{T} = \Sigma^{-(d-1)}\mathcal{M} * \cdots \Sigma^{-1}\mathcal{M} * \mathcal{M}$ , which is further equivalent to  $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{M} * \Sigma \mathcal{M} * \cdots * \Sigma^{d-1} \mathcal{M}$  by rotations.

By the proof of [17, Proposition 5.3], we observe the following fact: a subcategory  $\mathcal{M}$  is *d*-clustertilting and closed under direct summands if and only if  $\mathcal{M}$  is contravariantly finite in  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \{X \in \mathcal{T} \mid \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^{i}(X)) = 0, 1 \leq i < d\}$ , if and only if  $\mathcal{M}$  is covariantly finite in  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \{Y \in \mathcal{T} \mid \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(Y, \Sigma^{i}\mathcal{M}) = 0, 1 \leq i < d\}$ ; compare [13, Proposition 2.2.2].

We mention that 2-cluster-tilting objects play an important role in various additive categorifications [7,10] of cluster algebras. For *d*-cluster-tilting objects in higher cluster categories, we refer to [28,29].

We have the following immediate consequence of Theorem 4.8, which is a cluster-tilting analogue of Theorem A, and is similar to [8, Theorem C] and [20, Theorem 5.22].

**Corollary 4.10.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a d-cluster-tilting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then the inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}$  induces an isomorphism  $K_0^{\mathrm{sp}}(\mathcal{M})/N \simeq K_0(\mathcal{T})$  of abelian groups.  $\Box$ 

In the following remark, we mention that Corollary 4.10 recovers [8, Theorem C].

**Remark 4.11.** Assume that  $\mathcal{M}$  is a *d*-cluster-tilting subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfying  $\Sigma^d(\mathcal{M}) = \mathcal{M}$ . Then it is naturally a (d+2)-angulated category in the sense of [9]. We claim that any triangle of the form (4.3) and a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of E with length d induce a (d+2)-angle; moreover, any (d+2)-angle arises in this way.

We take d = 3 for example. Assume that  $M_1 \xrightarrow{a} E \xrightarrow{b} \Sigma^{-2}(M_2) \xrightarrow{c} \Sigma(M_1)$  is an exact triangle with  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ . The following two exact triangles

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{i_1} E \xrightarrow{p_0} M_0^E \xrightarrow{q_0} \Sigma(X_1) \text{ and } \Sigma^{-2}(M_2^E) \xrightarrow{i_2} X_1 \xrightarrow{p_1} \Sigma^{-1}(M_1^E) \xrightarrow{q_1} \Sigma^{-1}(M_2^E)$$

define a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of E with length 3. Then by [9, Theorem 1], we have the following induced 5-angle in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

$$\Sigma^{-3}(M_2) \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{-1}(c)} M_1 \xrightarrow{p_0 \circ a} M_0^E \xrightarrow{\Sigma(p_1) \circ q_0} M_1^E \xrightarrow{\Sigma(q_1)} M_2^E \xrightarrow{\Sigma^2(b \circ i_1 \circ i_2)} M_2$$

Here, by the assumption above we have that  $\Sigma^{-3}(M_2)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}$ . By reversing the argument, we infer that any 5-angle in  $\mathcal{M}$  arises in this way.

By combining the claim above and [8, Proposition 5.4], we infer that the above subgroup N coincides with the group Im  $\theta_{\mathcal{M}}$  defined in [8]. Then the isomorphism in Corollary 4.10 yields the one in [8, Theorem C].

The following trivial example indicates that the extension-closed condition in Theorem 4.8 is somehow weaker than the one in Corollary 4.10.

**Example 4.12.** Let  $d \ge 2$ . Let  $\mathcal{T}'$  be a triangulated category with a *d*-cluster tilting subcategory  $\mathcal{M}'$ . Let  $\mathcal{T}''$  be another triangulated category and  $\mathcal{M}'' \subseteq \mathcal{T}''$  be a presilting subcategory or a *d'*-rigid subcategory with d < d'. Denote by  $\mathcal{F}''_d$  the subcategory formed by objects admitting a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M}'')$ -filtrations of length at most *d*; it is closed under extensions in  $\mathcal{T}''$ .

Set  $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}' \times \mathcal{T}''$  to be the product category. Then  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}' \times \mathcal{M}''$  is a *d*-rigid subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$ , which is not necessarily *d*-cluster-tilting. Recall that  $\mathcal{F}_d$  denotes the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{T}$  formed by those objects, which admit a  $\Sigma^{\leq 0}(\mathcal{M})$ -filtration of length at most *d*. We have  $\mathcal{F}_d = \mathcal{T}' \times \mathcal{F}''_d$ , which is closed under extensions in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

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