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THE DERIVED PICARD GROUP IS A LOCALLY ALGEBRAIC GROUP

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Abstract.-

Let A be a finite dimensional algebra over an algebraically closed field K . The derived Picard group $\text{DPic}_K(A)$ is the group of two-sided tilting complexes over A modulo isomorphism. We prove that $\text{DPic}_K(A)$ is a locally algebraic group, and its identity component is $\text{Out}_K^0(A)$. If B is a derived Morita equivalent algebra then $\text{DPic}_K(A) \cong \text{DPic}_K(B)$ as locally algebraic groups.

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Let A and B be associative algebras with 1 over a field K . We denote by $D^b(\text{Mod } A)$ the bounded derived category of left A -modules. Let B° be the opposite algebra, so an $A \times_K B^\circ$ -module is a K -central A - B -bimodule. A two-sided tilting complex over (A, B) is a complex $T \in D^b(\text{Mod } A \times_K B^\circ)$ such that there exists a complex $T^\vee \in D^b(\text{Mod } B \times_K A^\circ)$ and isomorphisms of the derived tensor products $T \times_B^L T^\vee \cong A$ and $T^\vee \times_A^L T \cong B$. Two-sided tilting complexes were introduced by Rickard in [Rd]

When $B = A$ we write $A^e := A \times_K A^\circ$. The set

$$\text{DPic}_K(A) = \frac{\{\text{two-sided tilting complexes } T \in D^b(\text{Mod } A^e)\}}{\text{isomorphism}}$$

is the derived Picard group of A (relative to K). The identity element is the class of A , the multiplication is $(T_1, T_2) \rightarrow T_1 \times_A^L T_2$, and the inverse is $T \rightarrow T^\vee = \text{RHom}_A(T, A)$.

Denote by $\text{Out}_K(A)$ the group of outer K -algebra automorphism of A , and by $\text{Pic}_K(A)$ the Picard group of A (the group of invertible bimodules modulo isomorphism). Then there are inclusions

$$\text{Out}_K(A) \subset \text{Pic}_K(A) \subset \text{DPic}_K(A).$$



The first inclusion sends the automorphism σ to the invertible bimodule A^σ where the right action is twisted by σ . The second inclusion corresponds to the full embedding $\text{Mod } A^e \subset D^b(\text{Mod } A^e)$. See [Ye] for details.

To simplify notation we use the same symbol to denote an automorphism $\sigma \in \text{Aut}_K(A)$ and its class in $\text{Out}_K(A)$. Likewise for a two-sided tilting complex T and its class in $\text{DPic}_K(A)$. The precise meaning is always clear from the context. Now assume K is algebraically closed and A is a finite dimensional K -algebra. Then the group $\text{Aut}_K(A) = \text{AutAlg}_K(A)$ of K -algebra automorphisms is a linear algebraic group, being a closed subgroup of $\text{GL}(A) = \text{Aut}_{\text{Mod}K}(A)$. This induces a structure of linear algebraic group on the quotient $\text{Out}_K(A)$. Denote by $\text{Out}_K^0(A)$ the identity component.

Examples calculated in [MY] indicated that the whole group $\text{DPic}_K(A)$ should carry a geometric structure (cf. Example 3 below). This is our first main result.

Theorem 2.

A result of Brauer says that the group $\text{Out}_K^0(A)$ is a Morita invariant of A : if A and B are Morita equivalent K -algebras then $\text{Out}_K^0(A) \cong \text{Out}_K^0(B)$. In [HS] and [Ro] this is extended to derived Morita equivalence. Our Theorem 4 extends these results further. We shall need the following variant of the result of Huisgen-Zimmermann, Saorin and Rouquier.

THEOREM 1. Let A and B be finite dimensional K -algebras. Suppose $T \in D^b(\text{Mod } A \times_K B^e)$ is a two-sided tilting complex over (A, B) , with inverse $T^\vee \in D^b(\text{Mod } B \times_K A^e)$. Then for any element $\delta \in \text{Out}_K^0(A)$ the two-sided tilting complex $\phi_T^0(\delta) := T^\vee \times_A^\delta A^\sigma \times_A^\delta T \in \text{DPic}_K(B)$ is in $\text{Out}_K^0(B)$. The group homomorphism

$$\phi_T^0: \text{Out}_K^0(A) \rightarrow \text{Out}_K^0(B)$$

is an isomorphism of algebraic groups.

Proof. According to [HS, Theorem 17] or [Ro, Theoreme 4.2] there is an isomorphism of algebraic groups $\phi^0: \text{Out}_K^0(A) \rightarrow \text{Out}_K^0(B)$ induced by T . Letting

$\tau := \phi^0(\sigma) \in \text{Out}_K^0(B)$ one has
 $T \times_B B^\tau \cong A^\sigma \times_A T$ in $D(\text{Mod } A \times_K B^e)$.

Applying $T^\vee \times_A^\delta$ to this isomorphism we see that $B^\tau \cong \phi_T^0(\sigma)$ in $D(\text{Mod } B^e)$, so

$i = \phi_T^0(\sigma)$ in $\text{DPic}_K(B)$. We conclude that $\phi_T^0 = \phi^0$.

A locally algebraic group over K is a group G , with a normal subgroup G° , such that G° is a connected algebraic group over K , each coset of G° is a variety, and multiplication and inversion are morphisms of varieties. A morphism $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ of locally algebraic groups is a group homomorphism such that $\phi(G^\circ) \subset H^\circ$ and the restriction $\phi^0: G^\circ \rightarrow H^\circ$ is a morphism of varieties. We call ϕ an open immersion if ϕ is injective and ϕ^0 is an isomorphism.



In other words G is the group of rational points $G(K)$ of a reduced group scheme G locally of finite type over K , in the sense of [SGA3, Expose VI_A]. A morphism $\emptyset = G \rightarrow H$ corresponds to a morphism $\emptyset: G \rightarrow H$ of group schemes over K . Here is our first main result.

Theorem 2. Let A be a finite dimensional K -algebra. Then the derived Picard group $DPic_K(A)$ is a locally algebraic group over K . The inclusion $Out_K(A) \subset DPic_K(A)$ is an open immersion.

In particular the identity components coincide: $Out_K^0(A) = DPic_K^0(A)$. Proof. Theorem 1 with $A = B$ implies that the subgroup $Out_K^0(A) \subset DPic_K(A)$ is normal, and for any two-sided tilting complex T the conjugation $\emptyset_T^0: Out_K^0(A) \rightarrow Out_K^0(A)$ is an automorphism of algebraic groups.

Let us now switch to the notation T_1, T_2 and T^{-1} for the operations in $DPic_K(A)$. Define an algebraic variety structure on each coset $C = T \cdot Out_K^0(A) \subset DPic_K(A)$ using the multiplication map $P \rightarrow T \cdot P, P \in Out_K^0(A)$. Since \emptyset_T^0 is an automorphism of algebraic groups, the variety structure is independent of the representative $T \in C$.

Let us prove that $DPic_K(A)$ is a locally algebraic group. For $P_1, P_2 \in Out_K^0(A)$ and $T_1, T_2 \in DPic_K(A)$, multiplication is the morphism $(T_1 \cdot P_1)(T_2 \cdot P_2) = (T_1 \cdot T_2) \cdot (\emptyset_{T_2}^0(P_1) \cdot P_2)$.

Similarly for the inverse:

$$(T \cdot P)^{-1} = T^{-1} \cdot \emptyset_T^0(P)^{-1}$$

Example 3. Let $\overrightarrow{\Omega}_n$ be the quiver with two vertices x, y and n arrows $x \underline{a_i} y$.

Let A be the path algebra $K\overrightarrow{\Omega}_n$. According to [MY, Theorem 5.3], $Out_K(A) \cong Pic_K(A) \cong PGL_n(K)$ and

$$DPic_K(A) \cong Z \times (Z \times PGL_n(K)).$$

In the semi-direct product a generator T of Z acts on a matrix $\sigma \in PGL_n(K)$ by $\emptyset_T^0(\sigma) = (\sigma^{-1})^t$. This is clearly a morphism of varieties, so $DPic_K(A)$ is indeed a locally algebraic group.

Our second main result relates two algebras. Recall that the algebras A and B are derived Morita equivalent over K if there is a K -linear equivalence of triangulated categories $D^b(Mod A) \approx D^b(Mod B)$.

Theorem 4. Suppose A and B are two finite dimensional K -algebras, and assume they are derived Morita equivalent over K . Then $DPic_K(A) \cong DPic_K(B)$ as locally algebraic groups.

Proof. It is known that there exist two-sided tilting complexes $T \in D(Mod A \times_K B^0)$; choose one. We obtain a group isomorphism

$$\emptyset_T: \begin{cases} DPic_K(A) \rightarrow DPic_K(B) \\ S \rightarrow T^V \times_A^L S \times_A^L T \end{cases}.$$



By Theorem 1, ϕ_T restricts to an isomorphism of algebraic groups $\phi_T^0: Out_K^0(A) \rightarrow Out_K^0(B)$. So ϕ_T is an isomorphism of locally algebraic groups.

We end the paper with a corollary and some remarks. Suppose C is a K -linear triangulated category that's equivalent to a small category. Denote by $Out_K^{tr}(C)$ the group of K -linear triangle auto-equivalences of C modulo natural isomorphism.

Let $mod A$ stand for the category of finitely generated A -modules.

Corollary 5. Suppose C is a K -linear triangulated category that is equivalent to $D^b(mod A)$ for some hereditary finite dimensional K -algebra A . Then $Out_K^{tr}(C)$ is a locally algebraic group.

Proof. Trivially $Out_K^{tr}(C) \cong Out_K^{tr}(D^b(mod A))$, and by [MY, Corollary 0.11] we have $Out_K^{tr}(D^b(mod A)) \cong DPic_K(A)$.

Example 6. Beilinson [Be] proved that $D^b(CohP_K^1) \approx D^b(mod K \overrightarrow{\Omega_2})$, where $CohP_K^1$ is the category of coherent sheaves on the projective line, and $\overrightarrow{\Omega_2}$ is the quiver from Example 3. Therefore, $Out_K^{tr}(D^b(CohP_K^1))$ is a locally algebraic group.

This should be compared to Remark 7 below; see also [MY, Remark 5.4].

Remark 7. Suppose X is a smooth projective variety over K with ample canonical or anti-canonical bundle. Bondal and Orlov [BO] proved that

$$Out_K^{tr}(D^b(CohX)) \cong (Aut_K(X) \times Pic(X)) \times Z$$

Here $Pic(X)$ is the group of line bundles. Thus, $Out_K^{tr}(D^b(CohX)) \cong G \times D$, where G is an algebraic group and D is a discrete group, and in particular, this is a locally algebraic group.

Remark 8. In [Or], Orlov gives an example of an abelian variety over \mathbb{K} such that

$$Out_K^{tr}(D^b(CohX)) \cong D \times (X \times \hat{X})(K)$$

where D is a discrete group (an extension of $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ by \mathbb{Z}) and \hat{X} is the dual Abelian variety. The group D acts (nontrivially) via $Aut_K(X \times \hat{X})$ and hence $Out_K^{tr}(D^b(CohX))$ is a locally algebraic group.

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