

HAPPEL-RINGEL'S THEOREM ON TILTED ALGEBRAS

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In [4], Happel-Ringel have generalized the earlier work of Brenner-Butler [3] and extensively developed the theory of tilting modules. They have also introduced the notion of tilted algebras.

Let A be an artin algebra and T_A a finitely generated right A -module. Recall that T_A is said to be a *tilting module* if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- (1) $\text{proj dim } T_A \leq 1$.
- (2) $\text{Ext}_A^1(T_A, T_A) = 0$.
- (3) There is an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A_A \rightarrow T'_A \rightarrow T''_A \rightarrow 0$ with T'_A, T''_A direct sums of direct summands of T_A .

If A is hereditary, the endomorphism algebra $B = \text{End}(T_A)$ of a tilting module T_A is said to be a *tilted algebra*.

In [4, Theorem 7.2], it has been shown that an artin algebra B is a tilted algebra if there is a component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of B which contains all indecomposable projective modules and a finite complete slice.

Recall that a set \mathcal{U} of indecomposable modules in a component \mathcal{C} of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of an artin algebra is said to be a *complete slice* in \mathcal{C} if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- (i) For any indecomposable module X in \mathcal{C} , \mathcal{U} contains precisely one module from the orbit $\{\tau^z X \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ under τ, τ^{-1} .
- (ii) If there is a chain $X_0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_r$ of indecomposable modules and non-zero maps with X_0, X_r in \mathcal{U} , then all X_i belong to \mathcal{U} .
- (iii) There is no oriented cycle $U_0 \rightarrow U_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow U_r \rightarrow U_0$ of irreducible maps with all U_i in \mathcal{U} .

The aim of this note is to show that the condition (iii) in the definition of a complete slice is essentially dispensable, that is, to prove the following

THEOREM. *Let B be a basic artin algebra. Assume that there is a component \mathcal{C} of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of B which contains all indecomposable projective modules, and that there is a finite set $\mathcal{U} = \{U_1, \dots, U_n\}$ of indecom-*

posable modules in \mathcal{C} which satisfies the conditions (i), (ii) in the definition of a complete slice. Then B is either a tilted algebra or a local Nakayama algebra.

At the same time, we shall provide a short proof of [4, Theorem 7.2] using the characterization of tilting modules due to Bongartz [2, Theorem 2.1].

Throughout this note, all modules are finitely generated and most modules are right modules. For an artin algebra A over the center C , denote by D the duality $\text{Hom}_C(-, I)$, where I is the injective envelope of $C/\text{rad } C$ over C , and by τ (resp. τ^{-1}) DTr (resp. TrD). We refer to [1] DTr and Auslander-Reiten sequences, and shall freely use the results of [1].

Proof of the Theorem.

Consider, first, the case in which $\tau U_i \cong U_i$ for some i . We claim that B is a local Nakayama algebra. (More generally, in [5] it will be shown that a basic artin algebra B is a local Nakayama algebra if there is an indecomposable module X such that $\tau X \cong X$ and the component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver of B which contains X is not *stable*). If B is simple, we are done. So we assume that B is not simple. Let $0 \rightarrow U_i \rightarrow E \rightarrow U_i \rightarrow 0$ be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. By the condition (ii), all indecomposable summands of E belong to \mathcal{U} . Let U_j be a summand of E . Three cases are possible:

(a) U_j is projective-injective. We get $\text{rad } U_j \cong U_i \cong U_j / \text{soc } U_j$, hence $\text{top}(\text{rad } U_j) \cong \text{top } U_j$, this means that B is a local Nakayama algebra.

(b) U_j is not projective. We get a chain of irreducible maps $U_i \cong \tau U_i \rightarrow \tau U_j \rightarrow U_i$, hence by the conditions (i), (ii) $\tau U_j \cong U_j$.

(c) U_j is not injective. By the dual argument of (b), we get $\tau^{-1} U_j \cong U_j$, hence $\tau U_j \cong U_j$.

We claim that for any indecomposable module X in \mathcal{C} , either $\tau X \cong X$ or X is projective-injective. Let $X \cong U_i$ be an indecomposable module in \mathcal{C} . Note that there is a sequence $U_i = X_0, X_1, \dots, X_r = X$ of indecomposable modules in \mathcal{C} such that X_j 's are pairwise non-isomorphic and for each j there is an irreducible map either from X_j to X_{j+1} or from X_{j+1} to X_j . By induction on r , we show that $X \cong U_k$ for some k and either $\tau X \cong X$ or X is projective-injective. We note that this has already been shown for $r=1$. Suppose $r > 1$. By induction, for each $j < r$, $X_j \cong U_{k_j}$ for some k_j and either $\tau X_j \cong X_j$ or X_j is projective-injective. We have only to show $\tau X_{r-1} \cong X_{r-1}$, then our assertion follows from the above arguments. Suppose, on the contrary, that X_{r-1} is projective-injective. Then either $X_r \cong \text{rad } X_{r-1}$ or $X_r \cong X_{r-1} / \text{soc } X_{r-1}$. On the other hand, $\text{rad } X_{r-1} \cong X_{r-2} \cong$

$X_{r-1}/\text{soc } X_{r-1}$ since X_{r-2} can not be projective-injective. Hence $X_{r-2} \cong X_r$, a contradiction. Let P be an indecomposable projective module. By the assumption on \mathcal{C} , P belongs to \mathcal{C} , thus has to be projective-injective. Therefore, we get $\text{rad } P \cong P/\text{soc } P$, hence $\text{top } P \cong \text{top } (\text{rad } P)$, this means that B is a local Nakayama algebra.

Next, assume that $\tau U_i \cong U_i$ for all i . Let $U = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r U_i$ and $A = \text{End}(U)$. We claim that $D(U)$ is a tilting module and A is hereditary. Then our assertion follows from the Theorem of Brenner-Butler (see [3] and [4]).

LEMMA 1 ([4]). $\text{Ext}_B^1(U, U) = 0$.

PROOF. Since $\text{Ext}_B^1(U, U)$ is a subgroup of $D \text{Hom}_B(U, \tau U)$, it is sufficient to show that $\text{Hom}_B(U, \tau U) = 0$. Suppose, on the contrary, that $\text{Hom}_B(U_i, \tau U_j) \neq 0$ for some i, j . Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in U_j , we get a chain $U_i \rightarrow \tau U_j \rightarrow * \rightarrow U_j$ of indecomposable modules and non-zero maps, hence by the conditions (i), (ii) $\tau U_j \cong U_j$, which contradicts our assumption.

PROPOSITION 2. A is hereditary.

PROOF. Denote by $\text{add } U$ the category consisting of direct sums of direct summands of U . Let P_A be a projective A -module and X_A a submodule of P_A . We claim that X_A is also projective. Note that P_A is of the form $\text{Hom}_B(U, U')$ for some U' in $\text{add } U$. Let $f_1, \dots, f_r \in X_A$ be generators and put

$$f = (f_1 \dots f_r): \bigoplus_{i=1}^r U \longrightarrow U'.$$

Then $X_A \cong \text{Im}(\text{Hom}_B(U, f))$. By the condition (ii), we get a decomposition $\text{Ker } f = K \oplus K'$ such that $K \in \text{add } U$ and $\text{Hom}_B(U, K') = 0$. Taking a push-out, we get the commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{(a)} & 0 \longrightarrow & K \oplus K' & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^r U & \xrightarrow{f} & \text{Im } f \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\ \text{(b)} & 0 \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & * & \longrightarrow & \text{Im } f \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

By the condition (ii) $\text{Im } f \in \text{add } U$, hence by Lemma 1 the sequence (b) splits. Therefore, α is a split monomorphism. Applying the functor $\text{Hom}_B(U, -)$ on the sequence (a), we get a split exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_B(U, K) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_B(U, \bigoplus_{i=1}^r U) \longrightarrow X_A \longrightarrow 0,$$

which completes the proof.

LEMMA 3. $\text{inj dim } U \leq 1$.

PROOF. Suppose that U_i is not injective, and let $P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow \tau^{-1}U_i \rightarrow 0$ be the minimal projective resolution. By the definition of τ , we get the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow U_i \longrightarrow D \text{Hom}_B(P_1, B) \longrightarrow D \text{Hom}_B(P_0, B) \longrightarrow D \text{Hom}_B(\tau^{-1}U_i, B) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since $D \text{Hom}_B(P_j, B)$ are injective, it is sufficient to show that $\text{Hom}_B(\tau^{-1}U_i, B) = 0$. Suppose, on the contrary, that $\text{Hom}_B(\tau^{-1}U_i, P) \neq 0$ for some indecomposable projective module P . Note that P is of the form $\tau^r U_j$ for some j and some non-negative integer r . Using the Auslander-Reiten sequences starting from U_i and $\tau^s U_j$ with $1 \leq s \leq r$, we get a chain $U_i \rightarrow * \rightarrow \tau^{-1}U_i \rightarrow \tau^r U_j \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow U_j$ of indecomposable modules and non-zero maps, hence by the conditions (i), (ii) $\tau^{-1}U_i \cong U_i$, which contradicts our assumption.

Note that by the assumption on \mathcal{C} , n is greater than or equal to the number of indecomposable projective modules. The next proposition due to Bongartz [2, Theorem 2.1] together with Lemmas 1, 3 completes the proof of the Theorem.

PROPOSITION (Bongartz [2]). *Let A be an artin algebra with m simple modules and $T = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n T_i$ a module with pairwise non-isomorphic indecomposable T_i 's. Assume $\text{proj dim } T \leq 1$ and $\text{Ext}_A^1(T, T) = 0$. Then $n \leq m$, and $n = m$ if and only if T is a tilting module.*

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