# DTr-INVARINT MODULES

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Throughout this paper, we shall work over a fixed basic artin algebra  $\Lambda$  and deal only with finitely generated right modules. Let X be an indecomposable module. We say that X is DTr-invariant if  $DTrX\cong X$ . In [7], with some other conditions, the author has shown that  $\Lambda$  is a local Nakayama algebra if there is a DTr-invariant module. The aim of this paper is to generalize this result.

Recall that an indecomposable module X is said to be DTr-periodic if, more generally,  $DTr^n X \cong X$  for some positive integer n. In Riedtmann [8], Todorov [10] and Happel-Preiser-Ringel [6], they have completely determined the Cartan class of a component of the stable Auslander-Reiten quiver containing a DTrperiodic module (see [6] for detales). In [6], they have also shown that a component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver containing a DTr-periodic module is a quasi-serial component (in the sence of [9]) if it contains neither projective nor injective modules. It seems, however, that there has not been given any characterization of a component of the (not stable) Auslander-Reiten quiver containing a DTr-periodic module. In this paper, we shall investigate the case in which there is a DTr-invariant module and prove

THEOREM 1. Suppose there is a DTr-invariant module A. Then either A is a local Nakayama algebra or the component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver containing A is a quasi-serial component (in the sence of [9]) consisting of only DTr-invariant modules.

Let X be a DTr-invariant module and Y an indecomposable summand of the middle term of the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in X. Then there are irreducible maps both from X to Y and from Y to X. The converse holds.

THEOREM 2. Let X, Y be indecomposable modules. Suppose there are irreducible maps both from X to Y and from Y to X. Then either X or Y is DTrinvariant. Thus either  $\Lambda$  is a local Nakayama algebra or the component of the Auslander-Reiten quiver containing X, Y is a quasi-serial component (in the sence

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of [9]) consisting of only DTr-invariant modules.

Recently, the author learned that the similar result of Theorem 2 was obtained by K. Bautista and S.O. Smalø [4].

It is well known that there is a quasi-serial component consisting of only DTr-invariant modules if  $\Lambda$  is an hereditary algebra of tame representation type (see [5]).

The proof of Theorems 1, 2 [will be performed by calculating composition lengths, and in that of Theorem 1 the work of Auslander [1, Theorem 6.5] will play an impotant roll (see also [10, Proposition 2.3]).

For an indecomposable module X, let F(X) = End(X)/Rad(X, X), this is a division ring, and for two indecomposable modules X, Y, let  $N(X, Y) = \text{Rad}(X, Y)/\text{Rad}^2(X, Y)$ , this is an F(Y) - F(X)-bimodule called the bimodule of irreducible maps (see [8], [10] for details). The Auslander-Reiten quiver has as vertices the isomorphism classes of the indecomposable modules, and there is an arrow  $[X] \rightarrow [Y]$  if  $N(X, Y) \neq 0$ , which is endowed with the valuation  $(d_{XY}, d'_{XY})$  such that  $d_{XY} = \dim_{F(Y)}N(X, Y)$  and  $d'_{XY} = \dim N(X, Y)_{F(X)}$ . Two indecomposable modules X, Y belong, by definition, to the same component if there is a sequence  $X = X_0, X_1, \dots, X_r = Y$  of indecomposable modules such that either  $N(X_{i-1}, X_i) \neq 0$  or  $N(X_i, X_{i-1}) \neq 0$  for all i.

We refer to [2], [3] for DTr, Auslander-Reiten sequences and so on, and shall freely use results of [2], [3].

In what follows, we denote by  $\tau$  (resp.  $\tau^{-1}$ ) DTr (resp. TrD) and by |X| the composition length of a module X.

#### 1. Proof of Theorem 1.

Let A be a  $\tau$ -invariant module and  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^{r} B_{i}^{a_{i}} \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence, where  $B_{i}$ 's are non-isomorphic indecomposable modules and  $a_{i} = \dim_{F(B_{i})} N(A, B_{i})$  for all *i*. By induction, it is sufficient to show that the possible cases are the following:

(1) Some  $B_i$  is projective-injective. We get rad  $B_i \cong A \cong B_i/\text{soc } B_i$ , thus top (rad  $B_i) \cong \text{top } B_i$ , this means that  $\Lambda$  is a local Nakayama algebra.

(2) We have r=1,  $a_1=1$ , and  $B_1$  is  $\tau$ -invariant.

(3) We have r=2,  $a_1=a_2=1$ , and each  $B_i$  is  $\tau$ -invariant.

We have to exclude the other cases. Note that  $\tau B_i \cong B_j$ ,  $a_i = a_j$  for some j if  $B_i$  is not projective, and that  $\tau^{-1}B_i \cong B_k$ ,  $a_i = a_k$  for some k if  $B_i$  is not injective.

(a) Consider, first, the case in which some  $B_i$  is not  $\tau$ -periodic. Then  $\tau^n B_i$  is projective for some non-negative integer n, and  $\tau^m B_i$  is injective for some non-positive integer m. Since  $2|A| = \sum_{j=1}^{\tau} a_j |B_j|$ , we conclude that n=m=0 and  $B_i$  is projective-injective.

(b) Next, assume that all  $B_i$ 's are  $\tau$ -periodic. Let  $0 \rightarrow \tau B_i \rightarrow A^{a'_i} \bigoplus C_i \rightarrow B_i \rightarrow 0$ be the Auslander-Reiten sequence for each *i*, where  $a'_i = \dim N(A, B_i)_{F(A)}$ . We get

$$a_i'|A| + |C_i| = |\tau B_i| + |B_i|$$

hence

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{r} a_{i}a_{i}'\right)|A| + \sum_{i=1}^{r} a_{i}|C_{i}| = \sum_{i=1}^{r} a_{i}|\tau B_{i}| + \sum_{i=1}^{r} a_{i}|B_{i}|$$
$$= 2|A| + 2|A|$$
$$= 4|A|.$$

Therefore we conclude that  $\sum_{i=1}^{r} a_i a'_i \leq 4$ .

(c) Suppose  $\sum_{i=1}^{\tau} a_i a'_i = 4$ . Then  $C_i = 0$  for all *i*. Hence we get a finite component  $\{A, B_i, \dots, B_r\}$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -periodic modules, a contradiction (cf. [1, Theorem 6.5]).

(d) Suppose r=1,  $a_1a_1'=3$ . By (b) we get  $a_1|C_1|=|A|$ , and clearly  $B_1$  is  $\tau$ -invariant. We get

$$2|B_1| = a'_1|A| + |C_1|$$
  
=  $a_1a'_1|C_1| + |C_1|$   
=  $4|C_1|$ .

Hence  $C_1$  does not have a projective-injective summand, therefore by (b), (c) we get a contradiction.

(e) Suppose r=2,  $a_1a'_1+a_2a'_2=3$ . We may assume  $a_1a'_1=2$ ,  $a_2a'_2=1$ . Clearly, each  $B_i$  is  $\tau$ -invariant.

We prepare a lemma.

LEMMA 1. Let X be an indecomposable module such that  $\tau^2 X \cong X$ . Let  $0 \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow Y \oplus Z \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence with Y indecomposable. Suppose  $\tau^2 Y \cong Y$ , |X| < |Y|,  $|\tau X| < |Y|$ ,  $|X| < |\tau Y|$  and  $|\tau X| < |\tau Y|$ . Then either Z=0 or Z is indecomposable with  $\tau^2 Z \cong Z$ .

**PROOF.** We may assume  $Z \neq 0$ . Let  $Z = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} Z_i^{d_i}$ , where  $Z_i$ 's are non-isomorphic

indecomposable modules and  $d_i = \dim_{F(Z_i)} N(\tau X, Z_i)$  for all *i*. Let  $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow \tau Y \oplus W$  $\rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. Since |Z| < |X|,  $|Z| < |\tau X|$ , |W| < |X| and  $|W| < |\tau X|$ , both Z and W have neither projective nor injective summands. Hence  $\tau Z \cong W$  and  $\tau^{-1}Z \cong W$ . Let  $d'_i = \dim N(\tau X, Z_i)_{F(\tau X)}$  for each *i*. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequences ending in and starting from  $Z_i$ , we get

$$\begin{split} d_i'|\tau X| &\leq |Z_i| + |\tau Z_i| , \\ d_i'|X| &\leq |Z_i| + |\tau^{-1}Z_i| \end{split}$$

hence

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}d_{i}'\right) (|\tau X| + |X|) \leq 2\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}|Z_{i}| + \sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}|\tau Z_{i}| + \sum_{i=1}^{s} d^{i}|\tau^{-1}Z_{i}|$$

$$= 2|Z| + |W| + |W|$$

$$< 2(|\tau X| + |X|).$$

Therefore we conclude that  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 1$ . This finishes the proof.

(e') Suppose  $a_1=2$ . Since  $2|C_1|+|C_2|=|A|$ ,  $|C_i|<|A|$  for all *i*. Suppose  $|A|<|B_i|$  for some *i*, then we get  $|A|<|B_i|<|C_i|$ , a contradiction. Hence  $|B_i|<|A|$ , thus  $|C_i|<|B_i|<|A|$  for all *i*. Suppose  $C_i\neq 0$ . By Lemma 1,  $C_i$  is indecomposable, and clearly  $\tau$ -invariant. Let  $0\rightarrow C_i\rightarrow B_i\oplus D_i\rightarrow C_i\rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. If  $D_i\neq 0$ , then again by Lemma 1,  $D_i$  is indecomposable and  $\tau$ -invariant with  $|D_i|<|C_i|$ . Continuing these procedures, we get a finite component  $\{A, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, D_1, D_2, \cdots\}$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -invariant modules, a contradiction (cf. [1, Theorem 6.5]).

(e") Suppose  $a'_1=2$ . We get  $|C_1| < |B_1|$ , hence  $C_1$  does not have a projective-injective summand. Therefore by (b), (c) and (e') we get a contradiction.

- (f) Suppose r=1,  $a_1a'_1=2$ . Clearly,  $B_1$  is  $\tau$ -invariant.
- (f') If  $a_1=2$ , then we get  $|A|=|B_1|$ , a contradiction.
- (f") If  $a'_1=2$ , then we get  $|A^{a'_1}|=|B_1|$ , a contradiction.

(g) Suppose r=3,  $a_i a'_i=1$  for all *i*. Put  $\sigma i=j$  if  $\tau B_i \cong B_j$ . Then  $\sigma$  is a permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Note that  $\sum_{i=1}^{3} |B_i|=2|A|$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{3} |C_i|=|A|$ .

(g') Suppose  $\sigma$  is cyclic. Suppose  $|A| < |B_i|$  for some *i*. We get  $|B_{\sigma i}| + |B_{\sigma^2 i}| < |A|$ . On the other hand, using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in  $B_{\sigma i}$ , we get  $|A| \leq |B_{\sigma^2 i}| + |B_{\sigma i}|$ , a contradiction. Hence  $|B_i| < |A|$ , thus  $|C_i| < |B_{\sigma i}|$  for all *i*. Suppose  $C_i=0$  for some *i*. We get  $|A| = |B_i \oplus B_{\sigma i}|$ , a contradiction. Hence  $C_i \neq 0$  for all *i*. Clearly, each  $C_i$  does not have a projective summand. Let X be an indecomposable summand of  $C_1$ . Using the Auslander-

Reiten sequences ending in X,  $\tau X$  and  $\tau^2 X$ , we get

$$2|A| = |B_{\sigma_1}| + |B_{\sigma^{2_1}}| + |B_1|$$
  

$$\leq (|X| + |\tau X|) + (|\tau X| + |\tau^2 X|) + (|\tau^2 X| + |\tau^3 X|)$$
  

$$\leq 2(|C_1| + |C_{\sigma_1}| + |C_{\sigma^{2_1}}|)$$
  

$$= 2|A|.$$

Therefore each  $C_i$  is indecomposable and the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in  $C_i$  is of the form  $0 \rightarrow C_{\sigma i} \rightarrow B_{\sigma i} \rightarrow C_i \rightarrow 0$ . Hence we get a finite component  $\{A, B_1, B_2, B_3, C_1, C_2, C_3\}$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -periodic modules, a contradiction.

(g'') Suppose  $\sigma$  is not cyclic. Suppose  $|A| < |B_i|$  for some *i*. We get  $|B_{\sigma i}| < |C_i| \le |A| < |B_i|$ , thus  $C_i \ne 0$  and  $C_i$  does not have an injective summand. Let X be an indecomposable summand of  $C_i$ . Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence starting from X, we get

$$|A| < |B_i|$$
  
 $\leq |X| + |\tau^{-1}X|$   
 $\leq |C_i| + |C_{\sigma^{-1}i}|$   
 $\leq |A|$ ,

a contradiction. Hence  $|B_i| < |A|$  for all *i*. By Lemma 1, each  $C_i$  is either zero or indecomposable with  $|C_i| < |B_i|$ . Therefore, as in (e'), we get a finite component  $\{A, B_1, B_2, B_3, C_1, C_2, C_3, \cdots\}$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -periodic modules, a contradiction.

(h) Suppose r=2,  $a_1a'_1=a_2a'_2=1$  and  $\tau B_1\cong B_2$ . Note that  $\tau^2 B_i\cong B_i$  and  $|C_i|=|A|$  for all *i*. We claim that each  $C_i$  is indecomposable.

LEMMA 2. Let X be an indecomposable module such that  $\tau^2 X \cong X$ . Let  $0 \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow Y \oplus Z \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence with Y indecomposable. Suppose  $\tau^2 Y \cong Y$ ,  $|\tau Y| = |Y|$  and  $|X| + |\tau X| = 2|Y|$ . Then Z is indecomposable with  $\tau^2 Z \cong Z$ .

PROOF. We may assume  $Z \neq Y$ . First, assume  $|\tau X| < |Y| < |X|$ . Let  $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow \tau Y \oplus W \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. Since |Z| = |W| < |X|, Z does not have an injective summand and W does not have a projective summand. Hence  $W \cong \tau^{-1}Z$ . Let  $Z = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} Z_i^{d_i}$ , where  $Z_i$ 's are non-isomorphic indecomposable modules and  $d_i = \dim_{F(Z_i)} N(\tau X, Z_i)$  for all i. Let  $d'_1 = \dim_{N(\tau X, Z_i)} F(\tau X)$  for each i. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence starting from  $Z_i$ , we get

$$d'_{i}|X| \leq |Z_{i}| + |\tau^{-1}Z_{i}|,$$

hence

$$\begin{split} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}d_{i}'\right) |X| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}|Z_{i}| + \sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i}|\tau^{-1}Z_{i}| \\ &= |Z| + |W| \\ &< 2|X| \;. \end{split}$$

Therefore  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 1$ , thus Z is indecomposable. Suppose Z is projective. Let  $0 \rightarrow Z \rightarrow X \oplus E \rightarrow W \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. Since  $|E| = |\tau X| < |Z|$ , E does not have a projective summand. Let F be an indecomposable summand of E. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in F, we get

$$|Z| \leq |F| + |\tau F|$$
$$\leq |E| + |\tau F|$$
$$= |\tau X| + |\tau F|.$$

On the other hand, since  $\tau X \oplus \tau F$  is a summand of rad Z, we get  $|\tau X| + |\tau F| < |Z|$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\tau Z \cong W$ , thus  $\tau^2 Z \cong Z$ . Exchaining W for Z, the above arguments imply the case in which  $|X| < |Y| < |\tau X|$ . This finishes the proof.

By Lemma 2, each  $C_i$  is indecomposable. Clearly,  $\tau C_1 \cong C_2$  and  $\tau C_2 \cong C_1$ . Let  $0 \rightarrow \tau C_i \rightarrow \tau B_i \bigoplus D_i \rightarrow C_i \rightarrow 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence for each *i*. Clearly,  $|D_i| = |B_i|$  for all *i*. We claim that each  $D_i$  is indecomposable with  $\tau^2 D_i \cong D_i$ .

LEMMA 3. Let X be an indecomposable module such that  $\tau^2 X \cong X$  and  $|\tau X| = |X|$ . Let  $0 \to \tau X \to Y \oplus Z \to X \to 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence with Y indecomposable. Suppose  $\tau^2 Y \cong Y$ ,  $|Y| + |\tau Y| = 2|X|$ . Let  $Z = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} Z_i^{d_i}$ , where  $Z_i$ 's are non-isomorphic indecomposable modules and  $d_i = \dim_{F(Z_i)} N(\tau X, Z_i)$  for all i. Let  $d'_i = \dim_{N(\tau X, Z_i)F(\tau X)}$  for each i. Then  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i \leq 2$ :

(1) If  $\sum_{i=1}^{i} d_i d'_i = 1$ , then Z is indecomposable with  $\tau^2 Z \cong Z$ .

(2) If  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 2$ , then each  $Z_i$  is neither projective nor injective and the Auslander-Reiten sequences ending in and starting from  $Z_i$  are of the form

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 \longrightarrow \tau Z_{i} \longrightarrow \tau X^{d'_{i}} \longrightarrow Z_{i} \longrightarrow 0 ,\\ \theta \longrightarrow Z_{i} \longrightarrow X^{d'_{i}} \longrightarrow \tau^{-1} Z_{i} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

respectively.

PROOF. First, assume  $|\tau Y| < |X| < |Y|$ . Let  $0 \to X \to \tau Y \oplus W \to \tau X \to 0$  be the Auslander-Reiten sequence. Since  $|Z| < |X| = |\tau X|$ , each  $Z_i$  is neither projective

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nor injective. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence starting from  $Z_i$ , we get

$$d'_{i}|X| \leq |Z_{i}| + |\tau^{-1}Z_{i}|,$$

hence

$$\begin{split} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i} d_{i}'\right) |X| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i} |Z_{i}| + \sum_{i=1}^{s} d_{i} |\tau^{-1} Z_{i}| \\ &\leq |Z| + |W| \\ &= 2|X| \; . \end{split}$$

Therefore  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i \leq 2$ . Suppose  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 2$ . Then  $\tau^{-1}Z \approx W$ , thus W does not have a projective summand and the Auslander-Reiten sequence starting from  $Z_i$  is of the form

$$0 \longrightarrow Z_i \longrightarrow X^{d'_i} \longrightarrow \tau^{-1}Z_i \longrightarrow 0$$

for all *i*. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequences ending in  $Z_i$ 's, we conclude also that if  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 2$ , then  $\tau Z \cong W$ , thus *W* does not have an injective summand and the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in  $Z_i$  is of the form

$$0 \longrightarrow \tau Z_i \longrightarrow \tau X^{d'_i} \longrightarrow Z_i \longrightarrow 0$$

for all *i*. Assume  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} d_i d'_i = 1$ . Clearly, Z is indecomposable. Suppose  $\tau^2 Z \neq Z$ . Then  $\tau Z$  is projective and  $\tau^{-1}Z$  is injective, thus we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2|X| &= |X| + |\tau X| \\ &< |\tau Z| + |\tau^{-1} Z| \\ &\leq |W| \\ &< 2|X|, \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Hence  $\tau^2 Z \cong Z$ . Suppose  $\tau Z \not\simeq W$  and let  $W \cong \tau Z \oplus W'$ . Then W' is projective-injective, thus we get

$$\begin{aligned} |Z| + |\tau Z| &= |\tau Y| + |\tau Z| \\ &< |\tau X| . \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in Z, we get  $|\tau X| \leq |Z| + |\tau Z|$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\tau Z \simeq W$ . Exchaining W for Z, the above arguments imply the case in which  $|Y| < |X| < |\tau Y|$ . This finishes the proof.

Let  $D_1 = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{s} E_{j}^{dj}$ , where  $E_j$ 's are non-isomorphic indecomposable modules and  $d_j = \dim_{F(E_j)} N(C_2, E_j)$  for all j. Let  $d'_j = \dim N(C_2, E_j)_{F(C_2)}$  for each j. Suppose  $\sum_{j=1}^{s} d_j d'_j \neq 1$ . Then by Lemma 3(2), we get a finite component  $\{A, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, C_3\}$ 

 $C_2, E_1, \dots, E_s, \tau E_1, \dots, \tau E_s$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -periodic modules, a contradiction. Therefore, by Lemma 3(1),  $D_1$  is indecomposable with  $\tau^2 D_1 \cong D_1$ . Note that  $D_2 \cong \tau D_1$ , since, by Lemma 3,  $D_2$  does not have an injective summand. Thus  $D_2$  is also indecomposable with  $\tau^2 D_2 \cong D_2$ . Therefore, by induction, we get a bounded length component  $\{A, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, D_1, D_2, \dots\}$  consisting of only  $\tau$ -periodic modules, a contradiction.

This finishes the proof of Theorem 1.

### 2. Proof of Theorem 2.

Let X, Y be inecomposable modules such that  $N(X, Y) \neq 0$  and  $N(Y, X) \neq 0$ . We claim that either X or Y is  $\tau$ -invariant. Note that  $N(\tau X, \tau Y) \neq 0$  and  $N(\tau Y, \tau X) \neq 0$  if neither X nor Y is projective, and that  $N(\tau^{-1}X, \tau^{-1}Y) \neq 0$  and  $N(\tau^{-1}Y, \tau^{-1}X) \neq 0$  if neither X nor Y is injective. Therefore, it is sufficient to consider the following three cases:

- (1) Either X or Y is projective.
- (2) Either X or Y is injective.

(3) Both X and Y are stable. (Recall that an indecomposable module X is said to be stable if for any integer  $n, \tau^n X$  is neither projective nor injective).

CASE 1. We may assume X is projective. Then Y is a summand of rad X, thus |Y| < |X|. Hence Y is not projective. Using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in Y, we get  $|X| \le |\tau Y| + |Y|$ . Suppose Y is not  $\tau$ -invariant. Then  $\tau Y \oplus Y$  is a summand of rad X, thus  $|\tau Y| + |Y| < |X|$ , a contradiction. Therefore Y is  $\tau$ -invariant.

CASE 2. By the dual arguments, we conclude that either X or Y is  $\tau$ -invariant.

CASE 3. Suppose neither X nor Y is  $\tau$ -invariant. For any integer n, using the Auslander-Reiten sequence ending in  $\tau^n X$ , we get  $|\tau^{n+1}Y| + |\tau^n Y| \leq |\tau^{n+1}X|$  $+|\tau^n X|$ , hence, by symmetry,  $|\tau^{n+1}Y| + |\tau^n Y| = |\tau^{n+1}X| + |\tau^n X|$ . Therefore, for any integer n the Auslander-Reiten sequences ending in  $\tau^n X$ ,  $\tau^n Y$  are of the form

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 \longrightarrow \tau^{n+1}X \longrightarrow \tau^{n+1}Y \bigoplus \tau^n Y \longrightarrow \tau^n X \longrightarrow 0 \ , \\ 0 \longrightarrow \tau^{n+1}Y \longrightarrow \tau^{n+1}X \bigoplus \tau^n X \longrightarrow \tau^n Y \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

respectively. We may assume X is of minimal length in the component  $\{\tau^n X, \tau^m Y | n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Let  $f: \tau Y \to X$  be an irreducible map. Extending f to the minimal right almost split map ending in X, we get the commutative diagram

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where  $\alpha'$ ,  $\beta'$  and f' are irreducible maps. Next, extending f' to the minimal right almost split map ending in Y, we get the commutative diagram

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} f' \longrightarrow \tau X \xrightarrow{f'} Y \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\uparrow \wr \qquad \uparrow \beta'' \qquad \uparrow \alpha''$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} g \longrightarrow \tau Y \xrightarrow{g} X \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\alpha''$ ,  $\beta''$  and g are irreducible maps. Hence, putting  $\alpha = \alpha' \alpha''$  and  $\beta = \beta' \beta''$ , we get the commutative diagram

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} f \longrightarrow \tau Y \xrightarrow{f} X \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\uparrow \lambda \qquad \uparrow \beta \qquad \uparrow \alpha$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} g \longrightarrow \tau Y \xrightarrow{g} X \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\alpha \in \operatorname{rad} \operatorname{End} (X)$ ,  $\beta \in \operatorname{rad} \operatorname{End} (\tau Y)$  and g is an irreducible map. Clearly, the above arguments hold for any irreducible maps from  $\tau Y$  to X. Therefore, by induction, we conclude that for any positive integer n, there is an irreducible map  $f_n: \tau Y \to X$  such that the following diagram commutes

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} f \longrightarrow \tau Y \xrightarrow{f} X \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\uparrow \wr \qquad \qquad \uparrow \beta_n \qquad \qquad \uparrow \alpha_n$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ker} f_n \longrightarrow \tau Y \xrightarrow{f_n} X \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $\alpha_n \in (\operatorname{rad} \operatorname{End} (X))^n$  and  $\beta_n \in (\operatorname{rad} \operatorname{End} (\tau Y))^n$ , this contradicts the fact that rad End (X) and rad End  $(\tau Y)$  are nilpotent.

This finishes the proof of Theorem 2.

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