Interesting Combinatorics In Higher Auslander Theory

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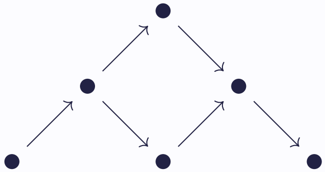

Auslander-Reiten Theory

Path Algebras, Representations, AR Quivers

The path algebra of a quiver

Let Q be a quiver. The path algebra kQ of Q is the k-algebra whose k-vector space has as its basis all paths of length ≥ 0 in Q and the product of two basis elements is the concatenation of paths.

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Theorem (Gabriel's)

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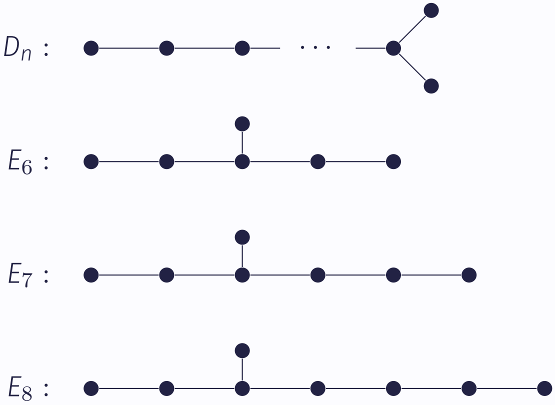
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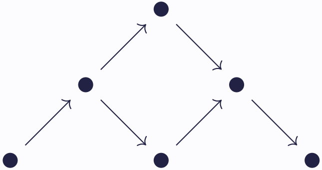

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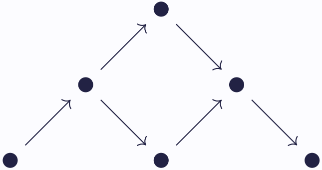

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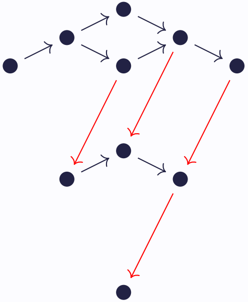

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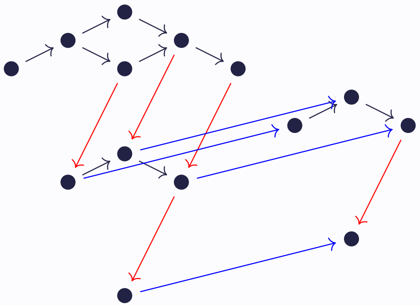

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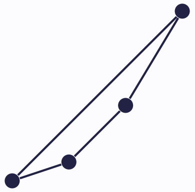

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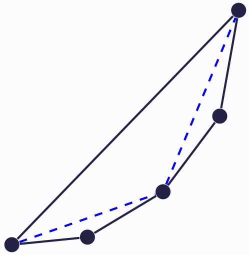

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