

**Ex 1.** Suppose  $A = \mathbb{k}Q/I$  is a bounded path algebra.

1. Find an example of finite acyclic quiver  $Q$  (with  $I = 0$ ) so that
  - every indecomposable projective  $A$ -module is uniserial, but
  - there exists a non-uniserial indecomposable injective  $A$ -module.
2. Let  $e_x$  be the primitive idempotent associated to a vertex  $x \in Q_0$ . Describe (with reason) the bounded quiver  $(Q'', I'')$  so that  $\mathbb{k}Q''/I'' \cong A/Ae_xA$ .
3. Consider the quiver

$$Q = \left( \begin{array}{c} \overset{\alpha}{\curvearrowright} \\ 1 \xrightarrow{\beta} 2 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{with } I = \langle \alpha^2 \rangle.$$

Describe the radical series and socle series of each indecomposable projective  $A$ -module.

4. Show that if  $M \twoheadrightarrow N$  is a surjective  $A$ -module homomorphism, then the length of the radical series of  $M$  is at most that of  $N$ .

**Ex 2.** Consider the Kronecker quiver  $Q = (1 \xrightleftharpoons[\beta]{\alpha} 2)$ .

1. Let  $A$  be the algebra given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{k} & \mathbb{k}^2 \\ 0 & \mathbb{k} \end{pmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & (b_1, b_2) \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b_1, b_2, c \in \mathbb{k} \right\}$$

with multiplication

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & (b_1, b_2) \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a' & (b'_1, b'_2) \\ 0 & c' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} aa' & (ab'_1 + b_1c', ab'_2 + b_2c') \\ 0 & cc' \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that  $A \cong \mathbb{k}Q$ .

2. Consider the algebra  $B$  given by

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & (b_1, b_2) \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{k} \right\},$$

i.e. the subring of  $A$  where the diagonal entries are required to be the same. Find bound quiver  $(Q', I')$  such that  $B \cong \mathbb{k}Q'/I'$ .

3. Find an indecomposable  $B$ -module  $M$  of length 4 and of Loewy length 3.
4. Explain why every  $A$ -module has a natural  $B$ -module structure and find an indecomposable  $B$ -module that does not arise from an indecomposable  $A$ -module in this way.

**Ex 3.** Consider the truncated polynomial ring  $B = \mathbb{k}[x]/(x^2)$  and let  $S$  be its unique simple module  $S = \mathbb{k}y$ .

1. Find a basis for the Hom-spaces  $\text{Hom}_B(X, Y)$  for  $X, Y \in \{B, S\}$ . Note: One of these spaces have dimension 2, and all other have dimension 1.
2. Show that  $\text{End}_B(S \oplus B)$  is isomorphic to the algebra given by

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, x, y \in \mathbb{k} \right\}$$

with usual matrix multiplication.

3. Find the bound path algebra presentation of  $A := \text{End}_B(S \oplus B)$ , i.e. a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra isomorphism  $A \cong \mathbb{k}Q/I$ .

**Ex 4.** Let  $A$  be a finite-dimensional  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra and  $I$  an ideal of  $A$ . Let  $\pi : A \rightarrow A/I$  be the natural projection.

1. Show that  $\pi_*(M) := M$  defines a functor  $\text{mod}A/I \rightarrow \text{mod}A$ .
2. Explain why  $\pi_*$  is fully faithful, but not dense in general.

Consider a category  $\mathcal{C}$  with objects  $\{a, a'\}$  and

- $\mathcal{C}(x, x) = \{\text{id}_x\}$  for both  $x \in \{a, a'\}$ .
- $\mathcal{C}(a, a') = \{f\}$  and  $\mathcal{C}(a', a) = \{g\}$
- such that  $gf = \text{id}$  and  $fg = \text{id}$ .

Consider also a category  $\mathcal{D}$  with object  $\{b\}$  and  $\mathcal{D}(b, b) = \{\text{id}_b\}$ .

3. Show that  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are equivalent but not isomorphic.

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