**Ex 1.** Let  $A = A_1 \times A_2$  be a direct product of two k-algebras  $A_1, A_2$ . Note that there are algebra homomorphisms  $\pi_i : A \to A_i$ . Consider the idempotents  $e_1 := (1_{A_1}, 0), e_2 := (0, 1_{A_2})$  of A.

- 1. For  $M \in \text{mod } A$ , show that  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  with  $M_i = Me_i$  for both  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , i.e.  $M = Me_1 + Me_2$  with  $Me_1 \cap Me_2 = 0$ .
- 2. Show that  $\pi_i$  induces a simple A-module structure on the simple  $A_i$ -modules for both  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .
- 3. Show that there exists a natural  $A_i$ -action on the direct summand  $M_i$  of M (in the notation of (1)). In particular, classify the simple A-modules.

## Ex 2. Let A be the ring

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{R} & \mathbb{C} \\ 0 & \mathbb{C} \end{pmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R}, b, c \in \mathbb{C} \right\}.$$

- 1. Show that A is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebra and find the dimension of A over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- 2. There are two simple A-modules. Describe them.
- 3. Write down a composition series (i.e. filtration whose subquotients are simples) of the free A-module  $A_A$ .

## **Ex 3.** Let A be the following k-algebra:

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

Note that for every matrix in A, the (1,1)-entry and the (3,3)-entry must be the same. Let  $e_1$  be the idempotent of A given by the matrix with 1 in the (1,1)- and (3,3)-entry and 0 everywhere else; and  $e_2 = 1_B - e_1$ .

- 1. Show that both  $e_1A$  and  $e_2A$  have a unique simple submodules and they are isomorphic.
- 2. Let  $S_1$  be the simple module in (1). Show that  $S_2 := e_2 A/S_1 \ncong S_1$ .
- 3. Find the composition series of  $e_1A$  and of  $e_2A$ .

## Ex 4.

1. Consider the linearly oriented  $\vec{\mathbb{A}}_5$ -quiver:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} 2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} 3 \xrightarrow{\alpha_3} 4 \xrightarrow{\alpha_4} 5$$

and the following representation M of  $\vec{\mathbb{A}}_5$ :

$$\mathbb{k} \xrightarrow{1} \mathbb{k} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{k}^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{k}^2 \xrightarrow{(1,1)} \mathbb{k}$$

Find the indecomposable decompositions of M in the cases when the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  is of rank 1 and of rank 2. Explain in details your reasoning.

You may use the fact that there are indecomposable modules of the form  $U_{i,j}$  for  $1 \le i \le j \le 5$  such that

$$U_{i,j}e_x = \begin{cases} \mathbb{k} & \text{if } i \leq x \leq j; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \text{ and } U_{i,j}\alpha_k = \begin{cases} \text{id} & \text{if } i \leq k < j; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

2. Consider  $A = \mathbb{k}Q/I$  given by

$$Q: 1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3 \xrightarrow{\gamma} 4, \quad I = \langle \alpha \beta \gamma - \delta \gamma \rangle$$

(a) Find a basis for the socle (i.e. maximal semisimple submodule) of the indecomposable projective  $P_1$ .

*Hint*: The socle is 2-dimensional.

(b) Show that the radical  $\operatorname{rad} P_1 := \operatorname{Ker}(P_1 \twoheadrightarrow S_1)$  of  $P_1$  is not indecomposable. Details your reason.