

## Gröbner bases, commutative case

Consider an ideal  $I \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n] = k[\mathbb{X}]$ , the aim is to decide modulo  $I$

DEF Let  $M = \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{p_i} \mid p_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \right\}$  the set of monic monomials of  $k[\mathbb{X}]$ . A monomial order on  $M$  is a total (well) order in which

$$1 \leq m \quad \forall m \in M$$

$$m_1 \leq m_2 \text{ implies } m_1 m_3 \leq m_2 m_3 \quad \forall m_1, m_2, m_3 \in M$$

Our favourite examples are lexicographic and degree lexicographic  
Our favourite non example is degree partition lexicographic.

We now fix a monomial order on  $M$

DEF Let  $f = \sum_{i=0}^s c_i m_i \in k[\mathbb{X}]$  with  $m_i \in M$ . Then we call  $\text{init}(f) := \bigwedge_{i=0}^s m_i$  the initial monomial of  $f$ .

Similarly, for an ideal  $I$  of  $k[\mathbb{X}]$ , we call  $\text{init}(I) := \langle \text{init}(f) \mid f \in I \rangle$  the initial ideal of  $I$ .  
Monomials  $m \in \text{init}(I)$  are called non standard, otherwise they are standard.

A finite subset  $G \subseteq I$  is called a Gröbner basis of  $I$  provided that

$$\text{init}(I) = \langle \text{init}(g) \mid g \in G \rangle = \langle \text{init}(G) \rangle$$

and if it additionally satisfies that for all distinct  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ , we have

$\text{init}(g_1) \nmid m$  whenever  $m$  is a monomial belonging to  $g_2$

we call  $G$  reduced (for uniqueness one can demand the  $g_i$  to be monic).

LEMMA Let  $I \subseteq k[\mathbb{X}]$  be a monomial ideal, then  $I$  is finitely generated by monomials.

PROOF Define  $I_i := \langle m \in M \cap k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \mid mx_n \in I \rangle$  and observe  $I_i \subseteq I_{i+1}$  for all  $i$ .  
Inductively, we can assume  $\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} I_i$  to be finitely generated by monomials so that  $(I_i)_{i \geq 0}$  stabilizes,  
say  $\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} I_i = \bigcup_{i=0}^s I_i$ , then  $I$  is generated by  $m_{ij} x_n^i$  where  $I_i$  is generated by monomials  $m_{ij}$  when  $j$  varies.  $\square$

COR Monomial orders are well orders.

LEM Every ideal  $I \subseteq k[\mathbb{X}]$  has a Gröbner basis and it generates  $I$

PROOF Existence follows from the previous lemma. Now let  $G$  a Gröbner basis for  $I$  and assume  $I \setminus \langle G \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , then  $V\{\text{init}(f) \mid f \in I \setminus \langle G \rangle\} =: \text{init}(f_0)$  is contained in  $\text{init}(I) = \langle \text{init}(G) \rangle$  so there is a  $g \in G$  such that  $\text{init}(f_0) = m \text{ init}(g)$ . But then  $f_0 - mg \in I \setminus \langle G \rangle$ , yet  $\text{init}(f_0 - mg) < \text{init}(f_0)$   $\square$

COR Hilbert's basis theorem

THM The standard monomials form a basis for  $k[\mathbb{X}] / I$

PROOF Let  $G$  be a Gröbner basis, then we compute the "normal form" like so,

Given a polynomial  $p$ , determine if  $p$  has nonstandard monomials.

if not, it is in standard form so return  $p$

if so, let  $h$  be the largest one and find  $g \in G$  such that  $\text{init}(g) \mid h$ , say  
 $h = \text{init}(g)m$ , now return the standard form of  $p - mg$

The aforementioned well foundedness of monomially ordered sets guarantees this procedure terminates and the uniqueness follows from the fact that every polynomial in  $I$  has an initial monomial.  $\square$

There are ways to compute and verify Gröbner bases, relying on the  $s$ -polynomial

$$f = c \text{init}(f) + r, \quad g = d \text{init}(g) + s, \quad m = \text{lcm}(\text{init}(f), \text{init}(g))$$

$$s(f, g) = m(f(c \text{init}(f))^{-1} - g(d \text{init}(g))^{-1})$$

LEM  $G$  is a Gröbner basis if and only if  $s(g_1, g_2) \in \langle G \rangle$  for all  $g_1 \neq g_2$  in  $G$

Buchberger algorithm

Let  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_t)$  and set  $G_0 = \{f_1, \dots, f_t\}$ .

Define recursively  $G_i = G_{i-1} \cup \{s(g_1, g_2) \mid g_1, g_2 \in G_{i-1} \text{ distinct}, s(g_1, g_2) \in \langle G_{i-1} \rangle\}$

Clearly  $G_\infty$  will be a Gröbner basis for  $I$  at some point, albeit superfluous.

We will not concern ourselves with the construction of unique reduced Gröbner bases at this time.

Non commutative case

Since path algebras have a canonical vectorspace basis, consisting of all paths, so assume a basis  $B$  is given and well ordered. The set  $\text{Fin}(B)$  of finite subsets of  $B$  is again a well order with the following order

LEM  $A_1, A_2 \in \text{Fin}(B)$   $A_1 \leq A_2 \Leftrightarrow A_1 = \emptyset$

$A_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $\wedge A_1 < \wedge A_2$

$A_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $\wedge A_1 = \wedge A_2$  and  $A_1 \setminus \{\wedge A_1\} \leq A_2 \setminus \{\wedge A_2\}$

is a well order.

PROOF Clearly the order is a total one and a brief moment of contemplation will convince one that it inherits the wellness from the order on  $B$ .  $\square$

The order on  $\text{Fin}(B)$  respects the partial order given by inclusion and has the property that if the largest element of a set is replaced by strictly smaller elements (in the order on  $B$ ), the the set will shrink strictly in  $\text{Fin}(B)$ .

We can order the vector space  $V$ , spanned by  $B$  using the order on  $\text{Fin}(B)$  using the assignment

$$\text{supp} : v = \sum_{\beta \in B} \lambda_\beta \beta \mapsto \{\beta \mid \lambda_\beta \neq 0\}.$$

An important observation is that

OB If  $v, w \in V$  and  $\wedge \text{supp}(w) \in \text{supp}(v)$ , there is a unique  $\lambda \in k$  such that  $\wedge \text{supp}(w) \notin \text{supp}(v - \lambda w)$  so  $v - \lambda w < v$

DEF Let  $W \subseteq V$  be a subspace. We denote

$$\begin{aligned} B_W &:= B \setminus \{\wedge \text{supp}(w) \mid w \in W\} \\ &= \{\beta \in B \mid \beta \neq \wedge \text{supp}(w) \quad \forall w \in W\} \end{aligned}$$

LEM  $V = W \oplus \langle B_W \rangle$

PROOF By construction  $W \cap \langle B_W \rangle = 0$ , now suppose  $W + \langle B_W \rangle \subsetneq V$  and take  $u \in V \setminus (W + \langle B_W \rangle)$  minimal. Since  $u \notin \langle B_W \rangle$ , we can find  $\beta \in \text{supp}(u)$  such that  $\beta = \wedge \text{supp}(w)$  for some  $w \in W$  and per the previous observation we get  $u - \lambda w < u$  belongs to  $W + \langle B_W \rangle$   $\square$

We have  $0 \rightarrow W \rightarrow V \xrightarrow{\pi} V/W \cong \langle B_W \rangle \rightarrow 0$  with  $\pi b = \text{id}$  and we call  $b\pi(v)$  the normal form of  $v$  mod  $W$ .

DEF A Gröbner generating set for  $W \subseteq V$  is a subset  $G \subseteq W$  such that

$\forall \beta \in B \ (\exists w \in W \ \wedge \text{supp}(w) = \beta \rightarrow \exists g \in G \ \wedge \text{supp}(g) = \beta)$ , that is

$\forall w \in W \ \exists g \in G \ \wedge \text{supp}(w) = \wedge \text{supp}(g)$

LEM If  $G$  is a Gröbner generating set for  $W$ , every  $v \in V$  reduces to its normal form over  $G$

PROOF The vector  $v$  can only be reduced a finite number of times, after which the complete reduction clearly lies in  $\langle B_W \rangle$   $\square$

COR If  $G$  is a Gröbner generating set for  $W$  then it also spans it as vector space

DEF A vector  $u \in W$  is called sharp when

$$\text{supp}(u) \cap \{\wedge \text{supp}(w) \mid w \in W\} = \{\wedge \text{supp}(u)\}$$

and the coefficient of  $\wedge \text{supp}(u)$  in  $u$  is 1.

The collection of sharp vectors in  $W$  will be denoted  $W^\#$

THM  $W^\#$  is a Gröbner generating set for  $W$  such that no two distinct elements can be reduced over each other.

$\square$

Now we move from vector spaces to associative algebras. In particular algebras  $k\mathbb{Q}$  where is a quiver  $(Q, Q_1, s, t)$  and  $k\mathbb{Q}$  has a canonical vector space basis  $P$  consisting of paths in  $P$ .

We order  $P$  degree lexicographically with the vertices in degree zero and the arrows in degree one.

We get tree structures on  $k\mathbb{Q}$  that we can exploit.

- a well order on  $k\mathbb{Q}$  coming from the one on  $P$
- a partial order on  $k\mathbb{Q}$  coming from divisibility.
- the algebraic structure on  $k\mathbb{Q}$

The paper mentions the following 5 properties as crucial

- M<sub>1</sub>  $P \cup \{0\}$  is closed under multiplication
- M<sub>2</sub> divisibility is reflexive on  $P$
- M<sub>3</sub> Each  $p \in P$  has finitely many factors
- M<sub>4</sub> Multiplication respects the order on  $P$
- M<sub>5</sub> The order on  $P$  refines the one coming from divisibility

Let  $I \subseteq k\mathbb{Q}$  be an admissible (two-sided) ideal

DEF A Gröbner basis for  $I$  is a subset  $G \subseteq I$  such that

$$\forall r \in I \setminus \{0\} \quad \exists g \in G \quad \text{l supp}(g) \mid \text{l supp}(r)$$

DEF A simple reduction  $\rho$  of an element  $c \in k\mathbb{Q}$  is a tuple  $(\lambda, p, d, q)$  where  $\lambda \in k^*$ ,  $p, q \in P$  and  $d \in k\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\text{l supp}(d))q &\in \text{supp}(c) \\ \rho(\text{l supp}(d))q &\notin \text{supp}(c - \lambda pdq) \end{aligned}$$

REM By the observation made early on, this indeed reduces  $c$ , that is  $c - \lambda pdq < c$

A sequence of simple reduction will be called a reduction and if all the  $d$ 's in a reduction belong to the same set  $S$ , then the reduction is said to be over  $S$

THM If  $G$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I$  then every  $c \in k\mathbb{Q}$  reduces to its normal form mod  $I$  over  $G$

PROOF This follows completely analogous to the case of vector spaces.  $\square$

DEF The vectors in  $I^\#$  that are minimal with respect to divisibility are called minimal sharp and the set of minimal sharp vectors we denote

$\text{atom}(I^\#)$

THM  $\text{atom}(I^\#)$  is a Gröbner generating set such that no two members reduce over another.

PROOF Take  $r_i \in I$  and consider the minimum of  $\{r_j \in I \mid \text{lSupp}(r_j) \subset \text{lSupp}(r_i)\} =: r_m$  with respect to divisibility, then  $r_m$  can be rescaled to be minimal sharp. Fairwise irreducibility follows from minimality.  $\square$

LEM Let  $R$  be a set of relations in  $k\mathbb{Q}$  and  $c \in k\mathbb{Q}$  a further relation, that reduces to 0 over  $R$ , then  $pcq$  reduces to 0 over  $R$ .

PROOF Take a simple reduction of  $c$ , say  $c - \lambda p, d, q$ , then we get a simple reduction  $pcq - \lambda, pp, dq, q$  of  $pcd$  and the statement follows inductively.  $\square$

THM Let  $G$  be a set of generators of  $I$  such that

- The coefficient of each  $\text{lSupp}(g)$  is 1  $g \in G$
- For each pair of distinct  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  in  $G$ ,  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  don't reduce over one another.
- For each  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ , all the overlap differences  $g_1 - g_2$  reduce to 0 over  $G$

DEF An overlap for  $p, q \in P$  is a pair of factorizations

$$\begin{aligned} p &= bo & b, a, o \in P \setminus \{0\} \\ q &= oa & p \neq b \quad q \neq a \end{aligned}$$

We say  $c_1, c_2 \in k\mathbb{Q}$  have overlap if  $\text{lSupp}(c_1)$  and  $\text{lSupp}(c_2)$  do and if  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are the respective coefficients of  $\text{lSupp}(c_1)$  and  $\text{lSupp}(c_2)$  and setting

$$\text{lSupp}(c_1) = bo$$

$$\text{lSupp}(c_2) = oa$$

we call  $\lambda_2 c_1 a - \lambda_1 c_2 b$  the overlap difference

## Hochschild cohomology

Fix a field  $k$  and let  $\Lambda (= kQ/I)$  be a  $k$  algebra. Then  $\Lambda$  is a bimodule over itself, or a right  $\Lambda^{op} \otimes \Lambda =: \Lambda^e$  module if you will. If we take a further right  $\Lambda^e$  module  $M$  we can form the semisimplicial  $k$ -module

$$0 \leftarrow M \leftarrow M \otimes \Lambda \leftarrow M \otimes \Lambda^{\otimes 2} \leftarrow M \otimes \Lambda^{\otimes 3} \cdots$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_i &= id^{\otimes i} \otimes \mu \otimes id^{\otimes n-i-1} & i = 0, \dots, n-1 \\ \partial_n &= \mu \otimes id^{\otimes n-1} \circ (\dots)\end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma \in S_n$  permutes the constituents of  $n$ -fold tensor products. (We thus get a chain map

$$d = \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \partial_k$$

and the homology of this complex is the Hochschild homology of  $\Lambda$  with coefficients in  $M$ . To get the Hochschild cohomology we simply look at

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Lambda, M) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes 2}, M) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes 3}, M) \cdots$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_0 &= (\mu \circ (id \otimes ev))^{\#} \\ \partial_i &= (ev \circ (id^{\otimes i-1} \otimes \mu \otimes id^{\otimes n-i-1})^{\#})^{\#} & i = 1, \dots, n \\ \partial_{n+1} &= (\mu \circ (ev \otimes id))^{\#}\end{aligned}$$

Here the  $\#$  symbol denotes the right adjoint

$$\text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n+1} \otimes \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n}, M)) \xrightleftharpoons[b]{\#} \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n}, M), \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n+1}, M))$$

And by liberal and shameless abuse of notation,  $\mu$  can mean any of

$$\mu: \Lambda^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow \Lambda \quad \mu: \Lambda \otimes M \rightarrow M \quad \mu: M \otimes \Lambda \rightarrow M$$

We denote the Hochschild homology and cohomology  $HH_n(\Lambda, M)$  and  $HH^n(\Lambda, M)$ . If  $M = \Lambda$  we simply write  $HH_n(\Lambda)$  and  $HH^n(\Lambda)$ , interesting to note is that

$$HH^0(\Lambda) = Z(\Lambda) \quad HH^1(\Lambda) = \text{outer derivations}$$

Lemma  $HH^\bullet(\Lambda, M) \cong \text{Ext}_{\Lambda^e}^\bullet(\Lambda, M)$   
 $HH_\bullet(\Lambda, M) \cong \text{Tor}_\bullet^{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, M)$

Proof Look at the bar resolution of  $\Lambda$ ,

$$0 \leftarrow \Lambda \leftarrow \Lambda^{\otimes 2} \leftarrow \Lambda^{\otimes 3} \leftarrow \Lambda^{\otimes 4} \cdots$$

$$\beta = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i id^{\otimes i} \otimes \mu \otimes id^{\otimes n-i-1}$$

To compute  $\text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n}, M) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes n+1}, M)$  we write

$$d = (ev \circ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} (-1)^i (id^{\otimes i} \otimes \mu \otimes id^{\otimes n-i-1}))^{\#} = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} (-1)^i \partial_i$$

Because the bar resolution is a resolution of projective right  $\Lambda^e$  modules  $\square$

Recall  $\Lambda = kQ/I$  in which  $I = \langle r_i \mid i=1, \dots, n \rangle$  is an admissible ideal generate by the relations  $r_i$ . The aim is to construct a projective resolution of  $\Lambda$  as right  $\Lambda^e$  module. To this end we take

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^n \Lambda e_{s(r_i)} \otimes e_{t(r_i)} \Lambda \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \bigoplus_{\alpha \in Q_1} \Lambda e_{s(\alpha)} \otimes e_{t(\alpha)} \Lambda \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \bigoplus_{i \in Q_0} \Lambda e_i \otimes e_i \Lambda \xrightarrow{m} \Lambda \rightarrow 0 \quad (I)$$

$m$  is the multiplication map and  $\pi_i$  is defined by

$$\pi_i(e_{s(r_i)} \otimes e_{t(r_i)}) = \alpha \otimes e_{t(\alpha)} - e_{s(\alpha)} \otimes \alpha$$

To define  $\pi_2$  we note that the  $r_i$  are chosen to be generators in  $\text{atom}(I^\#)$  so that they form a Gröbner basis. We write  $r_i = \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p p$  and for a path  $p \in \text{supp}(r_i)$  we write

$$p = e_{s(r_i)} \alpha_{p_1} \alpha_{p_2} \cdots \alpha_{p_l} e_{t(r_i)} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\hat{p}_j = e_{s(r_i)} \alpha_{p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{j-1}} \otimes \alpha_{p_{j+1}} \cdots \alpha_{p_l} e_{t(r_i)} \quad j = 1, \dots, l(p) \quad \text{now define}$$

$$\pi_2(e_{s(r_i)} \otimes e_{t(r_i)}) = \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p \sum_{j=1}^{l(p)} \hat{p}_j$$

We shall now establish exactness of (I).

Obviously,  $m$  is surjective. To see that  $\ker m = \text{im } \pi_1$  we can argue similar to the case the standard projective resolution of right  $kQ$  modules.

$$m \circ \pi_1(e_{s(\alpha)} \otimes e_{t(\alpha)}) = m(\alpha \otimes e_{t(\alpha)} - e_{s(\alpha)} \otimes \alpha) = 0$$

Now take  $x = \sum_{i \in Q_0} \lambda_{p_i q_i} e_i \otimes e_i q_i \in \ker m$ , and order the canonical basis for  $P_0 = \bigoplus_{i \in Q_0} \Lambda e_i \otimes e_i \Lambda$  by  $p_i e_i \otimes e_i q_i \leq p_j e_j \otimes e_j q_j \iff p_i q_i \leq p_j q_j$  or  $p_i q_i = p_j q_j \wedge e_i \leq e_j$ . Denote

$$\text{lSupp}\left(\sum_{\substack{i \in Q_0 \\ p_i q_i \in \Lambda e_i \otimes e_i \Lambda}} \lambda_{p_i q_i} p_i e_i \otimes e_i q_i\right) = p_1 \otimes q_1 \quad (\text{in tensor normal form}), \quad \text{with } |p_1 q_1| > 0 \text{ otherwise } x = 0$$

assume by virtue of symmetry, that  $p_1 = r_1 \alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_1 \in Q_1$ , then

$$\text{lSupp}(x - \pi_1(\lambda_{p_1 q_1} r_1 \otimes q_1)) < \text{lSupp}(x) \quad \text{so inductively } x \in \text{im } \pi_1.$$

The inclusion  $\text{im } \pi_2 \subseteq \ker \pi_1$  is again a straight forward computation.

First we note that  $\pi_1\left(\sum_{j=1}^{l(p)} \hat{p}_j\right) = p \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{s(p)} \otimes p$ , namely

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1\left(\sum_{j=1}^{l(p)} \hat{p}_j\right) &= \sum_{j=1}^{l(p)} e_{s(p)} \cdots \alpha_{p_{j-1}} \pi_1(e_{s(\alpha_{p_j})} \otimes e_{t(\alpha_{p_j})}) \alpha_{p_{j+1}} \cdots e_{t(p)} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{l(p)} e_{s(p)} \cdots \alpha_{p_{j-1}} (\alpha_{p_j} \otimes e_{t(p_j)} - e_{s(p_j)} \otimes \alpha_{p_j}) \alpha_{p_{j+1}} \cdots e_{t(p)} \\ &= p \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{s(p)} \otimes p \end{aligned}$$

Now we calculate.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 (e_{s(r_i)} \otimes e_{t(r_i)}) &= \pi_1 \left( \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p \sum_{j=1}^{|P|} \hat{p}_j \right) \\
 &= \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p \pi_1 \left( \sum_{j=1}^{|P|} \hat{p}_j \right) \\
 &= \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p (p \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{s(p)} \otimes p) \\
 &= \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p p \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{s(p)} \otimes \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(r_i)} \lambda_p p \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

To show  $\ker \pi_1 \subseteq \text{im } \pi_2$  we introduce yet another order.

Using a monomial (degree lexicographic) order on  $P$ , we define a well order on  $\bigoplus_{c \in P} \Lambda_{s(c)} \otimes e_{t(c)}$  as follows: take  $p_1 \otimes q_1 \in \Lambda_{s(c_1)} \otimes e_{t(c_1)}$ ,  $p_2 \otimes q_2 \in \Lambda_{s(c_2)} \otimes e_{t(c_2)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_1 \otimes q_1 < p_2 \otimes q_2 &\iff |q_1| > |q_2| && \text{or} \\
 |q_1| = |q_2| &\wedge |p_1| < |p_2| && \text{or} \\
 |q_1| = |q_2| &\wedge |p_1| = |p_2| &\wedge q_1 > q_2 && \text{or} \\
 q_1 = q_2 &\wedge |p_1| = |p_2| &\wedge p_1 < p_2 && \text{or} \\
 q_1 = q_2 &\wedge p_1 = p_2 &\wedge c_1 < c_2 &&
 \end{aligned}$$

This gives us an order on  $P_0, P_1 = \bigoplus_{c \in Q_1} \Lambda_{s(c)} \otimes e_{t(c)}$  and  $P_2 = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \Lambda_{s(r_i)} \otimes e_{t(r_i)}$

Alternatively, it would be nice if the argument of the paper could be modified to work with the order on  $\bigoplus_{c \in P} \Lambda_{s(c)} \otimes e_{t(c)}$  given by

$$p_1 e_{s(c_1)} \otimes e_{t(c_1)} q_1 \leq p_2 e_{s(c_2)} \otimes e_{t(c_2)} q_2 \iff p_1 c_1 q_1 \leq p_2 c_2 q_2 \quad \text{or} \\
 p_1 c_1 q_1 = p_2 c_2 q_2 \quad \wedge \quad c_1 \leq c_2$$

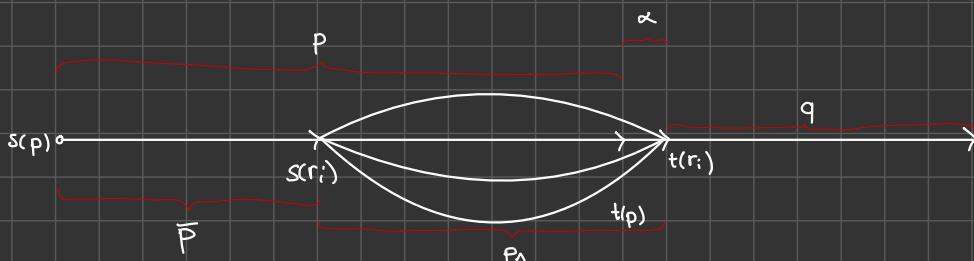
To make this work we will also assume that the vertex idempotents are ordered so that

$$\alpha: i \rightarrow j \quad \text{implies} \quad e_i < e_j$$

and the arrows are ordered in such a way that

$$e_{t(\alpha)} < e_{t(\beta)} \vee (e_{t(\alpha)} = e_{t(\beta)} \wedge e_{s(\alpha)} < e_{s(\beta)}) \text{ implies } \alpha < \beta$$

Now take  $x \in \ker \pi_1$  written in tensor normal form and  $\text{supp}(x) = p e_{s(c)} \otimes e_{t(c)} q$ . Since  $\pi_1(p e_{s(c)} \otimes e_{t(c)} q) = p\alpha \otimes q - p \otimes q$  has initial monomial  $p\alpha \otimes q$  and any other monomial  $p' \otimes q'$  satisfies  $p'\alpha' \otimes q' < p\alpha \otimes q$ ,  $p\alpha$  must be part of a relation  $r_i$  for some  $r_i$  with  $t(r_i) = t(\alpha)$ . We illustrate the situation



Let  $p_i = \alpha \text{supp}(r_i)$ , then  $\alpha \models p_i$  and

$$\wedge \text{supp}(\pi_2(e_{\text{scr},i}) \otimes e_{t(r_i)}) = e_{\text{scr},i} \alpha_{p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{i-1}} e_{\text{scr},i} \otimes e_{t(r_i)}$$

$$s(r_i) \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_1}} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_2}} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_{i-1}}} \xrightarrow{\alpha = \alpha_{p_i} \mid p_{i-1}} t(r_i)$$

so that

$$\alpha_{p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{i-1}} \otimes e_{t(r_i)} (\bar{p} \otimes q) = p \otimes q, \text{ meaning that}$$

$$\wedge \text{supp}(\pi_2(e_{\text{scr},i}) \otimes e_{t(r_i)})) \mid \wedge \text{supp}(x) = p \otimes q, \text{ so we can for}$$

$$x - \lambda_{pq} \lambda_{p_i}^{-1} (\pi_2(e_{\text{scr},i}) \otimes e_{t(r_i)})(\bar{p} \otimes q) < x \text{ and the result follows } \square$$

In the usual setting with  $\Lambda = kQ/I$  with  $I$  an admissible ideal, we now impose the further condition that  $I$  is a monomial ideal, i.e. generated by monomials. Denote

$$\text{atom}(I^\#) = \{p_1, \dots, p_m\}, \quad p_i \in P \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

DEF We call a sequence of paths  $(q_1, \dots, q_n)$   $q_i \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$  an admissible sequence of order  $n$ , provided that  $(q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$  is an admissible sequence of order  $n-1$  and

$$O_n := \{c \in \text{atom}(I^\#) \mid c \mid q_{n-1} \text{ and } c \mid q_n \text{ and } |c| \geq 1\} \neq \emptyset$$

$$\{d \in \text{atom}(I^\#) \mid d \mid q_{n-2} \text{ and } d \mid q_n \text{ and } |d| \geq 1\} = \emptyset$$

and  $q_n$  maximizes  $\max O_n$ . Or  $n=1$  and  $q_1 \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ .

In the paper of interest, this is defined as follows:

DEF For a directed subgraph  $\Gamma \subseteq Q$  that is a path, the left associate sequence of paths to  $p_i \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$  of order  $k$  is

- $(p_i)$  if  $k=1$  and  $p_i$  lies along  $\Gamma$
- $(q_1 = p_i, q_2)$  if  $k=2$  and  $q_2 \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ , if it exists, is the path of minimal source such that  $s(p_i) < s(q_2) < t(p_i)$
- $(q_1 = p_i, q_2, \dots, q_k)$  if  $k > 2$  and  $(q_1, \dots, q_{k-1})$  is a left associated sequence of paths of order  $k-1$  and  $q_k \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ , if it exists, is the path of minimal source lying along  $\Gamma$  for which  $t(q_{k-1}) \leq s(q_k) < t(q_{k-1})$

DEF For a directed subgraph  $\Gamma \subseteq Q$  that is a path, the right associate sequence of paths to  $p_i \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$  of order  $k$  is

- $(p_i)$  if  $k=1$  and  $p_i$  lies along  $\Gamma$
- $(q_1 = p_i, q_2)$  if  $k=2$  and  $q_2 \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ , if it exists, is the path of maximal source such that  $s(q_2) < s(p_i) < t(q_2)$
- $(q_1 = p_i, q_2, \dots, q_k)$  if  $k > 2$  and  $(q_1, \dots, q_{k-1})$  is a right associated sequence of paths of order  $k-1$  and  $q_k \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ , if it exists, is the path of maximal source lying along  $\Gamma$  for which  $s(q_{k-1}) < t(q_k) \leq s(q_{k-2})$

DEF  $AP(n) = \left\{ e_{sq_1} p e_{tq_n} \in P \mid (q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}) \text{ is an admissible sequence of order } n-1 \text{ and every idempotent dividing one of the } q_i \text{ divides } p \right\}$

$$= \bigcup_{i=1}^m \left\{ e_{sq_1} p e_{tq_n} \in P \mid (q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}) \text{ is an associated sequence of paths to } p_i \text{ of order } n-1 \text{ and every idempotent dividing one of the } q_i \text{ divides } p \right\}$$

$$\text{LEM } AP(n) = AP(n)^{\text{op}}$$

PROOF Start with  $p \in AP(n)$  coming from  $(q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$  and build a right associated sequence of paths of order  $n-1$  along  $p$ , starting at  $q_{n-1}$ , which exists as is witnessed by  $(q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$ . If we call the thus obtained sequence  $(\vec{q}_{n-1}, \dots, \vec{q}_1 = q_{n-1})$  we see that  $t(\vec{q}_k) \geq t(q_{n-k})$  for each  $k$ , so in particular  $s(q_1) \leq s(\vec{q}_{n-1})$ . If we now turn around again and start forming left associated sequence of paths of order  $n-1$  along  $p$  starting at  $\vec{q}_{n-1}$ , we realise that in fact  $s(q_1) = s(\vec{q}_{n-1})$ , so as not to contradict our minimality condition in the creation of  $(q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$   $\square$

**LEM** Suppose  $m$  even and  $p, q \in AP(m)$ ,  $p \neq q$  lie along the same path  $T$ , such that  $\alpha q = p\beta$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in P$  are not divisible by any  $p_i \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ . Then there exists a  $c \in AP(m+1)$  that divides the path from  $s(p)$  to  $t(q)$  along  $T$ .

**PROOF** Since  $p \neq q$ , we have that  $\alpha \neq 0$  or  $\beta \neq 0$  and in view of the previous lemma  $\alpha \neq 0$  and  $\beta \neq 0$ . For  $m=2$  the statement is clear. Now suppose the statement holds for all multiples  $2k$  of two for  $k < \frac{m}{2}$ , then for  $m$  we can consider

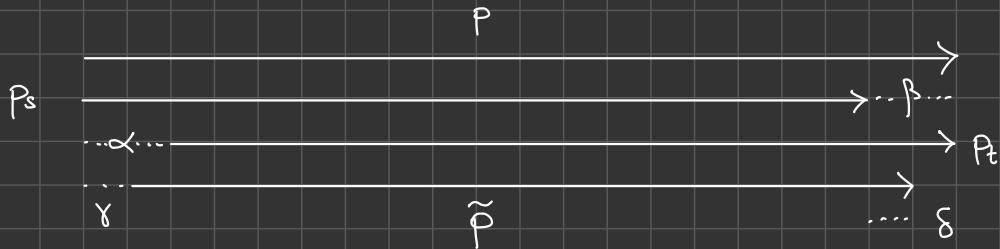


considering the right construction of  $p$ , we can omit the first two arrows and considering the left construction of  $q$ , we can omit the last two arrows. Using the induction hypothesis, we get an associated sequence of paths of length  $m-2$  dividing the path  $\bar{c}$  from  $s(q)$  to  $t(p)$  along  $T$ . Now we can prepend a path  $d_{\text{pre}}$ , viewing  $\bar{c}$  as a right construction, and append a path  $d_{\text{app}}$ , viewing  $d_{\text{pre}}\bar{c}$  as a left construction, such that  $d_{\text{pre}}\bar{c}d_{\text{app}}$  divides the path from  $s(p)$  to  $t(q)$  along  $T$  and  $d_{\text{pre}}, d_{\text{app}} \in \text{atom}(I^\#)$ .  $\square$

**DEF** Let  $p \in AP(n)$ , then  $\text{sub}(p) := \{\tilde{p} \in AP(n-1) \mid \tilde{p} \mid p\}$

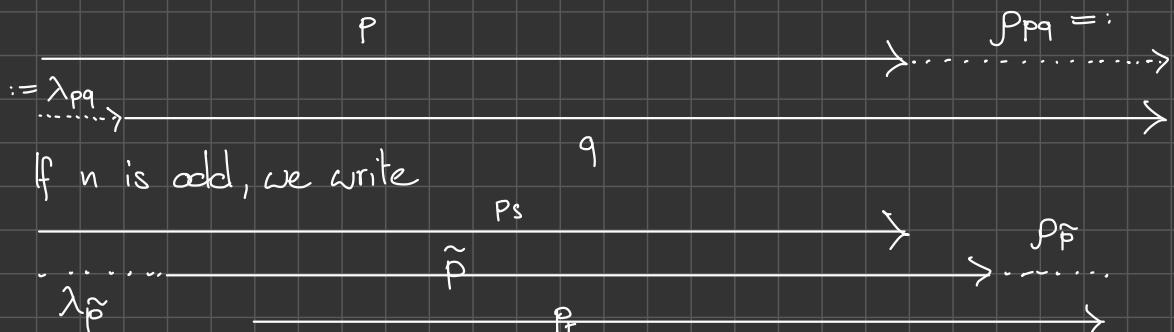
**LEM**  $\text{sub}(p)$  contains two paths:  $e_{sp}, p_s$  and  $p_t e_{tp}$  and if  $n$  is odd, then these are all the paths in  $\text{sub}(p)$

**PROOF** Let  $n$  be odd, then we are in the following situation



Now  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  are all nonzero, with  $\tilde{p}$  be a hypothetical element of  $\text{sub}(p) \setminus \{p_s, p_t\}$ . Then by the previous lemma, we can find a  $q \in AP(n)$  dividing the path from  $s(p_s)$  to  $t(\tilde{p})$ , meaning that it divides  $p$  properly.  $\square$

**DEF** Consider  $p, q \in AP(n)$ ,  $n$  even, lying along the same graph that is a path



REM All these  $\lambda$ 's and  $p$ 's are not divisible by any of the paths in  $\text{atom}(T^\#)^\vee$

With the convention that  $AP(0) = \mathbb{Q}_0$  and  $AP(1) = \mathbb{Q}$ , we now set

$$P_n = \bigoplus_{p \in AP(n)} \lambda_{es(p)} \otimes e_{t(p)} \wedge \quad \text{and with } n \text{ odd, we define}$$

$$\pi_n : e_{s(p)} \otimes e_{t(p)} \longmapsto \lambda_{pspt} \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{s(p)} \otimes p_{pspt}$$

$$\pi_{n+1} : e_{s(p)} \otimes e_{t(p)} \longmapsto \sum_{\tilde{p} \in \text{sub}(p)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}}$$

Recall  $\Lambda = k\mathcal{Q}/I$ ,  $I$  a monomial ideal

$$P_0 = \bigoplus_{e \in Q_0} \Lambda e; \otimes e; \Lambda, \quad P_1 = \bigoplus_{e \in Q_1} \Lambda e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)} \Lambda, \quad P_n = \bigoplus_{p \in AP(n)} \Lambda e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)} \Lambda \quad n \geq 2$$

for  $n$  odd,  $\pi_{n+1} : P_n \rightarrow P_{n-1} : e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)} \mapsto \lambda_p \otimes e_{tc(p)} - e_{sc(p)} \otimes p_p$   
 $\pi_{n+1} : P_{n+1} \rightarrow P_n : e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)} \mapsto \sum_{q \in \text{sub}(p)} \lambda_q \otimes p_q$

THM  $\dots \rightarrow P_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} P_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{\pi_0} \Lambda$  is a minimal projective resolution

PROOF  $\text{rad}(\Lambda^\circ) = (e_i \otimes \alpha, \alpha \otimes e_i \mid i \in Q_0, \alpha \in Q_1)$ , it follows that  $\pi_n(P_n) \subseteq \text{rad}(\Lambda^\circ) P_{n-1}$  which shows minimality.

Using the order defined earlier, we see that for  $p_1 \otimes q_1, p_2 \otimes q_2, p_1 \otimes q_1 < p_2 \otimes q_2$  implies  $\text{rsupp}(\pi_n(p_1 \otimes q_1)) < \text{rsupp}(\pi_n(p_2 \otimes q_2))$ . This is very easy to see in our order and not so easy in Bardzell's.

$\text{im } \pi_3 = \ker \pi_2 :$

Take  $p \in AP(3)$  with  $\text{sub}(p) = \{p_i, p_j\} \subseteq \text{atom}(\Lambda^\#)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_2 \circ \pi_3(e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)}) &= \pi_2(\lambda_p \otimes e_{tc(p)} - e_{sc(p)} \otimes p_p) \\ &= \lambda_p \pi_2(e_{sc(p_i)} \otimes e_{tc(p_i)}) - \pi_2(e_{sc(p_j)} \otimes e_{tc(p_j)}) p_p \\ &= \lambda_p \sum_{k=1}^{|P_1|} \overbrace{(p_i)_k}^{\alpha_{p_i|p_k}} - \sum_{\ell=1}^{|P_1|} \overbrace{(p_j)_\ell}^{\alpha_{p_j|p_\ell}} p_p \\ &= \lambda_p \sum_{k: \alpha_{p_i|p_k}} \overbrace{(p_i)_k}^{\alpha_{p_i|p_k}} - \sum_{\ell: \alpha_{p_j|p_\ell}} \overbrace{(p_j)_\ell}^{\alpha_{p_j|p_\ell}} p_p = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The situation can be illustrated as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} s(p_i) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_i|p_1}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_i|p_{|P_1|}}} & t(p_i) & \xrightarrow{p_p} & \cdots \\ \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_j|p_1}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_j|p_{|P_1|}}} & t(p_j) & \cdots & \cdots \\ \lambda_p & s(p_j) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_j|p_1}} & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \end{array}$$

$\underbrace{\alpha_{p_i|p_k}}$  dividing  $p_i = \alpha_{p_j|\ell}$  dividing  $p_j$

To show the reverse inclusion, we take  $x \in \ker \pi_2$  in tensor normal form modulo  $I$ . Write  $\text{rsupp}(x) = p_\lambda \otimes q_\lambda \in \Lambda e_{sc(p_\lambda)} \otimes e_{tc(p_\lambda)} \Lambda$  for some  $p_\lambda \in \text{atom}(\Lambda^\#)$ , then

$$\text{rsupp}(\pi_2(p_\lambda \otimes q_\lambda)) = p_\lambda \alpha_{p_1|p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{|P_1|}|p_{|P_1|}} \otimes q_\lambda.$$

Since any other element in the support of  $x$  is mapped by  $\pi_2$  to something which is supported only on elements strictly less than  $\text{rsupp}(\pi_2(p_\lambda \otimes q_\lambda))$ , there must be a maximal  $p_j \in \text{atom}(\Lambda^\#)$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} p_j | p_\lambda \alpha_{p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{|P_1|}|p_{|P_1|}}, \quad p_j \nmid p_\lambda, \quad p_j \nmid \alpha_{p_1} \cdots \alpha_{p_{|P_1|}|p_{|P_1|}-1} & & & & & & \\ \hline s(p_\lambda) & p_\lambda & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_1|p_1}} & \cdots & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_{|P_1|}|p_{|P_1|}-1}} & t(p_\lambda) = t(\tilde{p}) \\ \cdots & \xrightarrow[r]{\cdots} & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ s(p_j) = s(\tilde{p}) & p_j & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_j|p_j}} & \cdots & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{p_{|P_1|}|p_{|P_1|}} = t(p_j)} & \tilde{p} \end{array}$$

Here  $r$  is the path from  $s(p_\lambda)$  to  $s(\tilde{p})$ .

So  $\tilde{p} \in AP(3)$  and

$$\text{rsupp}(\pi_3(e_{sc(\tilde{p})} \otimes e_{tc(\tilde{p})})(r \otimes q_\lambda)) = r \lambda \tilde{p} \otimes q_\lambda = p_\lambda \otimes q_\lambda, \text{ we conclude as usual.}$$

$$\text{im } \pi_4 = \ker \pi_3 :$$

Take  $p \in AP(4)$ , then we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3 \circ \pi_4(e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{t(p)}) &= \sum_{\tilde{p} \in \text{sub}(p)} \pi_3(e_{sc(\tilde{p})} \otimes e_{t(\tilde{p})})(\lambda_{\tilde{p}} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}}) \\ &= \sum_{\tilde{p} \in \text{sub}(p)} (\lambda_{\tilde{p}_t} \otimes e_{t(\tilde{p})} - e_{sc(\tilde{p})} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}_s})(\lambda_{\tilde{p}} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}}) \\ &= \sum_{\tilde{p} \in \text{sub}(p)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}_t} \lambda_{\tilde{p}} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}} - \lambda_{\tilde{p}} \otimes p_{\tilde{p}_s} p_{\tilde{p}} \\ &= \lambda_{p_t} \lambda_{p_{tt}} \otimes e_{t(p)} - e_{sc(p)} \otimes p_{p_{ss}} p_{p_s} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows by considering  $p$  as a left construction to derive  $p_{p_{ss}} p_{p_s} = 0$  and as a right construction to derive that  $\lambda_{p_t} \lambda_{p_{tt}} = 0$

For the reverse inclusion, take  $x \in \ker \pi_4$  in tensor normal form mod  $I$  with

$$1\text{supp}(x) = p_i \otimes q_i \in 1\text{supp}(e_{sc(p_i)} \otimes e_{t(p_i)}) \Lambda, \quad p_i, p_j \in \text{atom}(I^*) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} p \\ \xrightarrow{p_i} \\ p_i \end{array}} p \in AP(3)$$

$$1\text{supp}(p_i \otimes q_i) = 1\text{supp}((\lambda_{p_i} \otimes e_{t(p_i)} - e_{sc(p_i)} \otimes p_{p_i})(p_i \otimes q_i))$$

$$= p_i \lambda_{p_i} \otimes q_i$$

$$= 1\text{supp}(\pi_3(x)) \text{ in view of a previous remark}$$

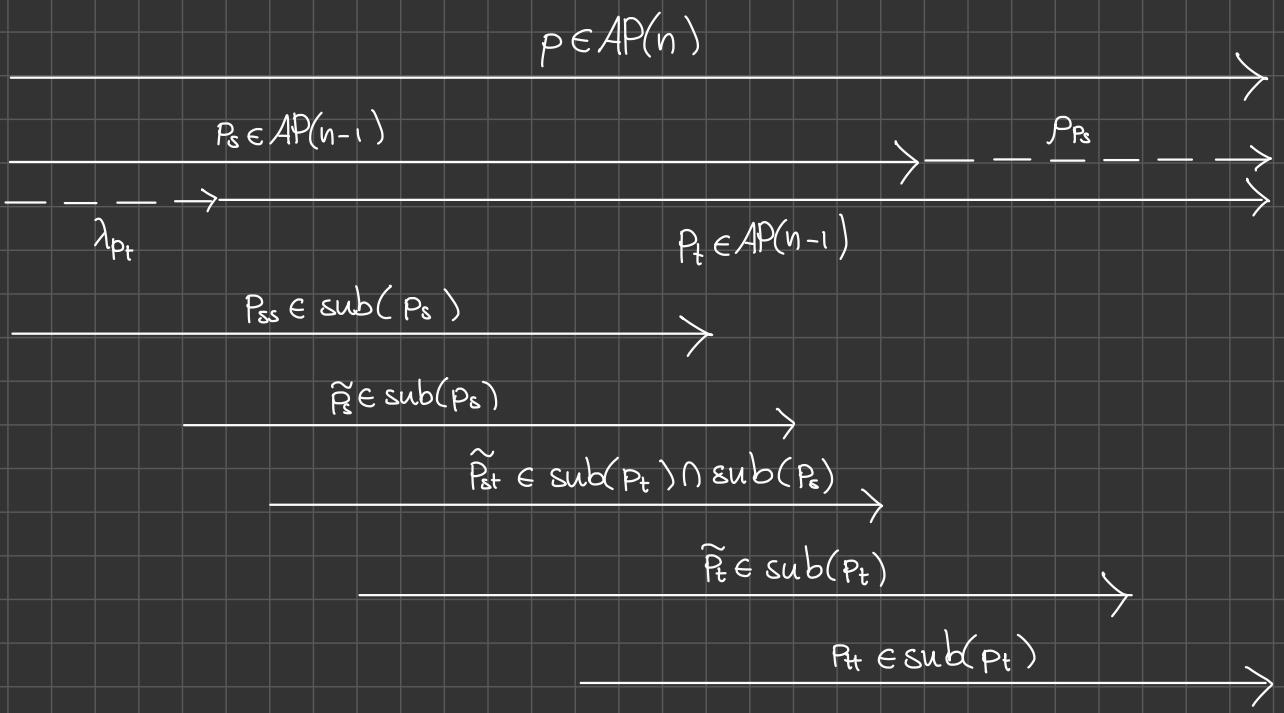
Again we get  $p_i \otimes q_i \neq y \in \text{supp}(x) \Rightarrow p_i \lambda_{p_i} \otimes q_i \in \text{supp}(\pi_3(y))$ , so there must be a  $p_k \in \text{atom}(I^*)$  such that  $p_k \mid p_i \lambda_{p_i}$ ,  $p_k \nmid p_i$ ,  $p_k \nmid \lambda_{p_i}$  and we take it to be maximal.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} p_i & \xrightarrow{\quad} & p_i & \xrightarrow{\quad} & p_{p_i} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & q_i \\ \xrightarrow{p_k} & & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{p_i}} & & \xrightarrow{p_i} & & \\ & & q & \xrightarrow{\quad} & & & \\ \lambda & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \lambda_{q_t} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & & & \end{array} \quad \text{sub}(q) = \{q_s, \dots, q_t = p\}$$

$$1\text{supp}(\pi_4(e_{sc(q)} \otimes e_{t(q)})) = 1\text{supp}(\sum_{\tilde{q} \in \text{sub}(q)} \lambda_{\tilde{q}} \otimes p_{\tilde{q}}) = \lambda_{q_t} \otimes e_{t(q)}$$

So we get  $(\lambda_{q_t} \otimes e_{t(q)})(\lambda \otimes q_i) = p_i \otimes q_i$ , in other words  $1\text{supp}(\pi_4(e_{sc(q)} \otimes e_{t(q)})) \mid 1\text{supp}(x)$  showing that  $x$  reduces over  $\text{im } \pi_4$ , yielding the desired conclusion.

Now assume  $P_{n-1} \rightarrow P_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$  to be exact for  $n \geq 5$  odd  
then  $P_{n+1} \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow P_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$  is exact at  $P_n$  for similar reasons as those showing exactness at  $P_3$ . For exactness at  $P_{n-1}$  we compute for  $p \in AP(n)$   $\pi_{n-1} \circ \pi_n(e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{t(p)})$ . To do this we draw a nice picture



Note that  $sub(p_s) \cap sub(p_t) \neq \emptyset$  as can be seen by considering either  $p_t$  or  $p_s$  as a left and right construction in the appropriate order.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_{n-1} \circ \pi_n (e_{sc(p)} \otimes e_{tc(p)}) &= \pi_{n-1} (\lambda_{p_t} \otimes e_{tc(p)} - e_{sc(p)} \otimes \rho_{p_s}) \\
 &= \lambda_{p_t} \sum'_{\tilde{p}_t \in sub(p_t)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}_t} \otimes \rho_{\tilde{p}_t} - \sum'_{\tilde{p}_s \in sub(p_s)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}_s} \otimes \rho_{\tilde{p}_s} \rho_{p_t} \\
 &= \lambda_{p_t} \sum'_{\tilde{p}_t \in sub(p_t) \setminus sub(p_s)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}_t} \otimes \rho_{\tilde{p}_t} - \sum'_{\tilde{p}_s \in sub(p_s) \setminus sub(p_t)} \lambda_{\tilde{p}_s} \otimes \rho_{\tilde{p}_s} \rho_{p_t} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

The inclusion  $\ker \pi_{n-1} \subseteq \text{im } \pi_n$  is done using the familiar reduction techniques and will be omitted.  $\square$