

FD Seminar

Online seminar on representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras

[Home](#) [About](#) [Archive](#) [BigBlueButton](#) [Mailing List](#)

[Search](#)

researchseminars.org

On length functions for an exact category

Thomas Brüstle

Université de Sherbrooke, CA

June 17th, 2021 @ 9:00 am in **your** local time zone

The notion of an exact category has been introduced by Quillen to axiomatize the homological properties of extension-closed subcategories of abelian categories. It allows to define and study homological properties of an exact category, and to define its derived category. However, it turns out that the fundamental concept of length, as known for modules, is less suitable to be studied in the context of an exact category. We aim in this talk to present some recent developments showing for which kind of exact categories an analogue of the Jordan-Hölder property holds, and what one can expect from the notion of length in general. We also present results on the lattice structure of the set of all exact structures that can be attached to a fixed additive category.

Some of the presented results are joint work with Rose-Line Baillargeon, Mikhail Gorsky, Souheila Hassoun and Aran Tattar.



FD Seminar

Online seminar on
representation theory
of finite-dimensional
algebras

Home
About
Archive
BigBlueButton
Mailing List

Search

researchseminars.org

On length functions for an exact category

👤 Thomas Brüstle

🏛️ Université de Sherbrooke, CA

📅 June 17th, 2021 @ 9:00 am in **your** local time zone

The notion of an exact category has been introduced by Quillen to axiomatize the homological properties of extension-closed subcategories of abelian categories. It allows to define and study homological properties of an exact category, and to define its derived category. However, it turns out that the fundamental concept of length, as known for modules, is less suitable to be studied in the context of an exact category. We aim in this talk to present some recent developments showing for which kind of exact categories an analogue of the Jordan-Hölder property holds, and what one can expect from the notion of length in general. We also present results on the lattice structure of the set of all exact structures that can be attached to a fixed additive category.

The TRAC Seminar - Théorie de Représentations et ses Applications et Connections

[External homepage](#)

Wed Jun 30 11:00 [The FDSeminar organizers](#)

Panel discussion: online meetings - past and future? (

Wed Jun 30 11:15 [The OCAS organizers](#)

Panel discussion: online meetings - past and future? (

Wed Jun 30 11:30 [Angeleri-Hügel, Keller, Martsinkovsky](#)

Panel discussion: online meetings - past and future? (

Plan:

- ① Exact categories
- ② Projective objects
- ③ Simple objects
- ④ Length
- ⑤ Lattice of exact structures

① Exact categories

An exact category is a pair (ct, \mathcal{E}) where

ct is an additive category

\mathcal{E} is a distinguished class of short exact sequences
exact structure

(+ some axioms)

Extreme cases:

(a) $E_{\min} = \{\text{split exact sequences}\} \quad E_{\min} \subseteq \mathcal{V}\mathcal{E}$

(b) $E_{\max} = \{\text{all short exact sequences}\} \quad \mathcal{V}\mathcal{E} \subseteq E_{\max}$
if ct is abelian

① Exact categories

An exact category is a pair $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ where

\mathcal{A} is an additive category

\mathcal{E} is a distinguished class of short exact sequences $X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{d} Z$
 (i = admissible mono, d = admissible epi)
 exact
structure

Axiomatic setting (Heller '60, Quillen '73, Keller '90):

Ask $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}(Z, X) = \{0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{d} Z \rightarrow 0 \text{ ser in } \mathcal{E}\}$, to define an additive
 $\stackrel{\cong}{=} \text{split seq. } X \xrightarrow{i} X \oplus Z \xrightarrow{d} Z$
 (= bifunctor $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$)

$$\begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{p} Z \text{ in } \mathcal{E} \\ \parallel \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \text{pr} \quad \uparrow \\ X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{d} Z \text{ in } \mathcal{E} \\ \text{rg} \downarrow \quad \text{po} \downarrow \quad \parallel \quad \downarrow \\ X \xrightarrow{i''} Y'' \xrightarrow{d''} Z \text{ in } \mathcal{E} \end{array}$$

plus: composition of admissible monos is an admissible mono
 composition of admissible epis is an admissible epi

($\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}$ is a closed bifunctor)

→ compare "relative homology" by Buchsbaum '58, Butler, Horrocks '61, ...

① Exact categories (A, \mathcal{E}): Examples

(c) $A \subseteq \text{mod } R$ extension-closed subcategory

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\max}/\text{id}$$

(e.g. $A = \overline{\mathcal{T}}_{\text{torsion}}$, $\text{id} = \mathcal{J}(A)$ 1-filtered modules...)

(d) $A = \text{BAN}_{\text{ach spaces}}$ (not abelian: $f \text{ epi} \Leftrightarrow \text{Im } f \text{ dense}$)

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\max}$$

but quasi-abelian

(e) one-point extension:

$$A = \text{mod } \Lambda$$

$$\Lambda = \begin{array}{c} \bullet^1 \\ \swarrow \downarrow \searrow \\ \Lambda' \end{array} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ M & \Lambda' \end{bmatrix}$$

Dräxler
Roiter
Smalø⁺
Solberg 1999

$$(\text{mod } \Lambda, \mathcal{E}_{\max})$$

$$(\text{mod } \Lambda, \mathcal{E}_{\Lambda'})$$

$$(\text{mod } \Lambda, \mathcal{E}_{\min})$$

reduce

Resembles Roiter's box reduction technique

② Projective objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

$P \in \mathcal{A}$ is \mathcal{E} -projective $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}(P, -) = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow \text{Hom}(P, -)$ exact on \mathcal{E}

$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) = \{ \mathcal{E}\text{-projective objects} \}$

- Examples:
- 1) $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\text{univ}}$ $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) = \mathcal{A}$ semisimple
 - 2) $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_1'$ 1-pt extension $\Rightarrow \text{mod-}1' \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$

Now do \mathcal{E} -relative homological algebra:

Study $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$ -resolutions,

introduce homotopy category $K(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$,
derived category $D(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

② Projective objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

From [Krause, Homological theory of representations]:

Assume: \mathcal{A} idempotent complete, $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{add } T$,
every $X \in \mathcal{A}$ admits a finite $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$ -resolution.

Then: T is a tilting object in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$, and for $\mathcal{I} = \text{End}_{\mathcal{A}}(T)$:

($\text{Ext}^n(T, T) = 0$ for $n > 0$, $\text{thick}(T) = \mathcal{A}$)

$$K^b(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\text{Hom}(T, -)} K^b(\text{proj } \mathcal{I})$$

$$D^b(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\text{Hom}(T, -)} D^{\text{perf}}(\mathcal{I})$$

triangle equivalence

does not
"see" \mathcal{E}

example:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{A} = \text{mod } R \text{ representation-finite} \\ \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\min} \\ \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\max} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} T = \text{all indecomposable,} \\ \mathcal{I} = \text{Auslander algebra of } R \end{array}$$

$$\text{add } T = \text{proj } R, \quad \mathcal{I} \cong R$$

② Projective objects in (\mathcal{A}, Σ)

Define Grothendieck group $\text{Ko}(\mathcal{A}, \Sigma) = \mathbb{Z}^{(\text{Indet})} / \begin{matrix} \{y\} - \{x\} - \{z\} \\ \forall x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z \text{ in } \Sigma \end{matrix}$

Assume: \mathcal{A} idempotent complete, $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma) = \text{add } T$,
every $X \in \mathcal{A}$ admits a finite $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma)$ -resolution.

Then: $\text{Ko}(\mathcal{A}, \Sigma) \cong \text{Ko}(L)$ with $L = \text{End}_{\mathcal{A}}(T)$

In particular, $\text{Ko}(\mathcal{A}, \Sigma)$ is a free abelian group, with basis T_1, \dots, T_n
 $(T = T_1 \oplus \dots \oplus T_n)$

exact structure: $\Sigma_{\min} \subseteq \Sigma \subseteq \Sigma_{\max}$ for $\mathcal{A} = \text{mod } R$

Σ -projectives: $\text{mod } R \supseteq \mathcal{P}(\Sigma) \supseteq \text{proj } R$

Grothendieck group: $\text{K}_0^{\text{split}}(R) \supseteq \text{Ko}(\mathcal{A}, \Sigma) \supseteq \text{Ko}(R)$

Roiter's
soc's reduction

longer rank \rightsquigarrow linear invariant
 $(\rightarrow B.\text{Blanchette}; \text{ persistence theory})$

③ Simple objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

$K_0(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}) \cong K_0(\mathcal{A})$ & admits a basis by simple 1-modules

(every $M \in \text{mod } \mathcal{A}$ has composition series
Jordan-Hölder gives uniqueness)

$\sim [M] = \dim M$ multiplicities of simple
length $\ell(M) = \dim M$

Definition: $S \in \mathcal{A}$ is \mathcal{E} -simple if $A \xrightarrow{i} S$
implies $A=0$ or i is monic.

\mathcal{E} -composition series = sequence of admissible monics i_j

$$0 \xrightarrow{i_0} X_1 \xrightarrow{i_1} X_2 \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow X_n = X$$

with all quotients Y_j \mathcal{E} -simple: $X_j \xrightarrow{i_j} X_{j+1} \xrightarrow{\text{d}_j} Y_j$

③ Simple objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

Definition: $S \in \mathcal{A}$ is \mathcal{E} -simple if $A \xrightarrow{i} S$ implies $A=0$ or i is an isomorphism.

Example: For $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\text{univ}}$, \mathcal{E} -simple = indecomposable

\rightsquigarrow Schur Lemma fails for \mathcal{E} -simples ($\text{End } S$ need not be a division ring)

Definition: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is admissible if $f = i \circ d$ (ad. monic o ad. epic)

\mathcal{E} -Schur Lemma [Massbaum, Roy '19] Let X, Y be \mathcal{E} -simple objects.

Then every non-zero admissible morphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is invertible.

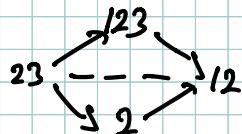
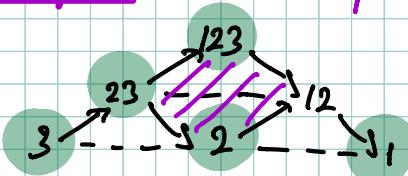
$\rightsquigarrow \text{End}^{\text{ad}}(X)$ would be a division ring (if it were a ring)

[BHT '20] $\text{End}^{\text{ad}}(X) \subseteq \text{End}(X)$ subring $\forall X \Leftrightarrow$ abelian, $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\text{max}}$
 (cannot consider $\text{End}^{\text{ad}}(\mathcal{T})$ for \mathcal{T} tilting...)

③ Simple objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

Definition: $S \in \mathcal{A}$ is \mathcal{E} -simple if $A \xrightarrow{i} S$ implies $A=0$ or i is an isomorphism.

Example: $\mathcal{A} = \text{rep}(1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3)$, \mathcal{E} given by



$23 \xrightarrow{i} 123 \oplus 2$ admissible
 $23 \hookrightarrow 123$ not admissible

\mathcal{E} -simples: $1, 2, 3, 23, 12, 123$
 \mathcal{E} -projectives: $3, 23, 123, 2, 1$

\mathcal{E} -simples do not form
a basis for $K_0(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$
 \uparrow
1-simples $\in K_0(\text{End } T)$

Theorem [Enomoto '19] Assume $n = \text{rank } K_0(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}) < \infty$. Then
 $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ satisfies Jordan-Hölder property $\Leftrightarrow n = \# \mathcal{E}$ -simples

③ Simple objects in (\mathcal{A}, Σ)

Definition: (\mathcal{A}, Σ) satisfies Jordan-Hölder (JHP) \Leftrightarrow

any two Σ -composition series have same length, same quotients (up to order, iso)

All proofs (I know) of JHP (for groups, modules...) use some form of Noether's isomorphism theorem

$$\begin{array}{c} L+N \\ \downarrow \text{u} \\ L \\ \downarrow \text{v} \\ L \cap N \\ \downarrow \text{x} \\ N \end{array}$$

Intersection, sum is not given by axioms of an exact category

(pull-back of admissible mono $\begin{array}{ccc} L \cap N & \rightarrow & N \\ \downarrow \text{PB} & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ L & \rightarrow & M \end{array}$ need not exist)

Theorem [BHT '20]

$L \cap N, L+N$ exist, and are admissible subobject $\forall L, N \geq M$

\Leftrightarrow (it is abelian, $\Sigma = \Sigma_{\max}$)

③ Simple objects in $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

This proof technique cannot be extended beyond abelian case.

(JHP) may still be valid when $\mathcal{E} \neq \mathcal{E}_{\max}$:

Example : Assume \mathcal{A} Knull-Schmidt category, $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\min}$.

\mathcal{E} -composition series = $0 \subset X_1 \subset X_2 \oplus X_2 \subset \dots \subset X_1 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n = X$

(JHP) $\Leftrightarrow X_1 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n = X$ is unique up to iso, permutation \Leftrightarrow Knull-Schmidt property

What about $\mathcal{E}_{\min} \subseteq \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}_{\max}$?

In [BHT'20], we introduce

- generalized intersection - can be a set of objects
- generalized radical $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{E}}(M)$
- (AW) Artin-Wedderburn condition: $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{E}}(M) = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow M$ \mathcal{E} -semisimple



Thm: $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ Knull-Schmidt and satisfies (AW) \Rightarrow (JHP) satisfied.

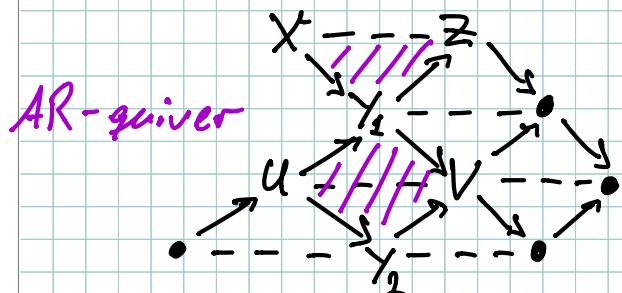
④ Length

(A, Σ) satisfies Jordan-Hölder property } \Rightarrow Define Σ -length $l_\Sigma(X)$ to be the length of an Σ -composition series of X
unique

Have $l_\Sigma(Y) = l_\Sigma(X) + l_\Sigma(Z)$ for $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ in Σ

General case: Composition series can have different lengths.

Example: $A = KQ$ with $Q = \bullet \leftarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet$



Σ given by $X \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Z$,

$U \rightarrow Y_1 \oplus Y_2 \rightarrow V$

U, V
 Σ -simple } $\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow U \rightarrow Y_1 \oplus Y_2 \quad \ell=2$

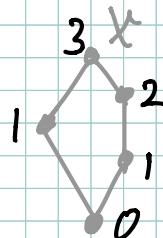
$0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_1 \oplus Y_2 \quad \ell=3$

2 composition series

④ Length for $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$

Definition: Set $\ell_{\mathcal{E}}(X) = \sup(\text{lengths of } \mathcal{E}\text{-composition series of } X)$

Similar: height in poset $P_{\mathcal{E}}(X)$



X has finite \mathcal{E} -length \Leftrightarrow all proper \mathcal{E} -filtrations of X have common bound on length

Proposition: Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ be exact category, $X \in \mathcal{A}$. Then

[BHT '20] X is \mathcal{E} -Artin & \mathcal{E} -Noetherian $\Rightarrow X$ admits a finite composition series

Corollary: Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ be a JH -exact category. Then
 X is \mathcal{E} -Artin & \mathcal{E} -Noetherian $\Leftrightarrow X$ has finite \mathcal{E} -length

④ Length for (A, Σ)

Definition: Set $l_\Sigma(X) = \sup(\text{lengths of } \Sigma\text{-composition series of } X)$

$\rightsquigarrow l_\Sigma$ is a super-additive function:

$$l_\Sigma(Y) \geq l_\Sigma(X) + l_\Sigma(Z) \quad \forall 0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } \Sigma$$

For two exact structures $\Sigma \subseteq \Sigma'$ on A , we get

$$l_\Sigma(X) \leq l_{\Sigma'}(X) \quad \forall X \in A$$

$\mathfrak{a} = \text{mod } R$, $l_{\Sigma_{\max}} = \text{abelian length}$

$$\begin{matrix} \vee \\ l_\Sigma \\ \vee \end{matrix}$$

{ reduce $l_\Sigma(X)$ until
every indecomposable
has length 1

$$l_{\Sigma_{\min}} = \text{Kunz-Schmidt length}$$

(#direct summands)

⑤ Lattice of exact structures Assume it essentially small.

How many exact structures \mathcal{E} exist on a fixed α ?

What is the structure of $\text{Ex}(\alpha) = \{\text{all exact structures on } \alpha\}$?

It clearly is a poset under containment $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}'$.

Hassoun, Langford presented this question (and a conjecture) at the 2018 ICRA.

Euomoto '18: Assume α is additively finite.

Then any $\mathcal{E} \in \text{Ex}(\alpha)$ is uniquely determined by the Auslander–Reiten sequences which \mathcal{E} contains.

In particular, $\text{Ex}(\alpha)$ is a boolean lattice.

$$|\text{Ex}(\alpha)| = 2^m, \quad m = \# \text{AR-sequences in } \alpha$$

$\mathcal{E}_{\max} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\min}$ split exact

⑤ Lattice of exact structures

View exact structure \mathcal{E} as bimodule $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}: \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}$

When \mathcal{A} is abelian, $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}} \subseteq \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1(-, -)$ sub(bi-)module.

Rump '11: Any additive \mathcal{A} admits a unique maximal exact structure \mathcal{E}_{\max} . Call the corresponding bimodule $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1$.

Consequence: $\text{Ex}(\mathcal{A})$ is a complete lattice,
with meet $\mathcal{E} \wedge \mathcal{E}' = \mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{E}'$
and join $\mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{E}' = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{E}'': \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}'', \mathcal{E}' \subseteq \mathcal{E}'' \}$

Remember: composition of admissible monos is an admissible mono
composition of admissible epis is an admissible epi
($\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}$ is a closed subbimodule of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1$)

5 Lattice of exact structures

Well-known: AR-sequences lie in the socle of $\text{Ext}_A^1(-, -)$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Ext}_E \text{ is closed} \\ \text{sub-bimodule} \\ \text{of } \text{Ext}_A^1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Ext}_E \text{ is uniquely determined by its} \\ \text{socle (maximal sub-bimodule containing)} \\ \text{these AR-sequences)} \\ \text{in case it is additively finite.} \end{array}$

[BRGHT'20]: What about the non-closed sub-bimodules?

$$\text{Ex}(\mathcal{A}) \xleftrightarrow[\text{lattice iso}]{} \text{lattice of closed sub-bimodules of } \text{Ext}_A^1$$

all

$$\text{WEx}(\mathcal{A}) \xleftrightarrow[\text{lattice iso}]{} \text{Sub}(\text{Ext}_A^1)$$

weakly exact
structures :

all axioms except
closedness

all sub-bimodules of Ext_A^1 ,
modular lattice

⑤ Lattice of exact structures

$\text{Ex}(\mathcal{A})$

$\xleftarrow{\text{1-1}}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{1-1}}$ lattice of closed
sub-bimodules of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1$

\cap

$\text{WEx}(\mathcal{A})$

$\xleftarrow{\text{1-1}}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{1-1}}$ $\text{Sub}(\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1)$

all sub-bimodules of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1$,
modular lattice

weakly exact
structures :

all axioms except
closedness

Warning:

$\text{Ex}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \text{WEx}(\mathcal{A})$

Subset, but not a sublattice:

lattice lattice

inclusion = inclusion

meet \wedge = meet \wedge

join \vee \neq join $+$

감사합니다
takk **благодаря**
obrigado
MOLTE GRAZIE

MERSI **danke**

PALDIES **grazas**

спасибо **THANK YOU**

merci **ARIGATO**

謝謝 **MERCI**

DANKU **qujan**

mesi **GRAZZI**

köszü **DANKE**

TAK **TACK**

GRACIAS

THANKS **TACK**

hvala

DANKU **vielen dank**

gracias **danke schön**

どうも **TAK**

OBRIGADO **Gràcies**

merci **NA GODE**

danke schön **благодаря**

TACK **DZIEKI**

grazie

ARIGATO