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## Derived equivalences and Serre duality for Gorenstein algebras

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Let  $R$  be a commutative noetherian ring and  $A$  a Noether  $R$ -algebra, i.e.,  $A$  is a ring endowed with a ring homomorphism  $R \rightarrow A$  whose image is contained in the center of  $A$  and  $A$  is finitely generated as an  $R$ -module. Let  $c \geq 0$  be an integer. Assume  $\text{Ext}_R^i(A, R) = 0$  for  $i \neq c$  and set  $\Omega = \text{Ext}_R^c(A, R)$ . We call  $A$  a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$  if  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is Gorenstein for all  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Supp}_R(A)$  and  $\Omega$  is a projective generator for right  $A$ -modules. If  $A$  is a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$ , then we see that  $\Omega$  lies in the center of  $\text{Pic}(A)$ , the Picard group of  $A$ , that  $\Omega$  is a dualizing complex for  $A$  if  $\sup\{\dim R_{\mathfrak{p}} \mid \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Supp}_R(A)\} < \infty$ , and that  $\text{Ann}_R(A)$  contains an  $R$ -regular sequence  $x_1, \dots, x_c$  and  $A$  is a Gorenstein  $S$ -algebra of codimension 0, where  $S$  is the residue ring of  $R$  over the ideal generated by  $x_1, \dots, x_c$ . Also, we see that our Gorenstein algebras are Gorenstein in the sense of [3]. In particular, commutative Gorenstein algebras are Gorenstein rings.

Our main aim is to demonstrate that Serre duality theory plays an essential role in the theory of derived equivalences for Gorenstein algebras. We extend Serre duality theory (cf. [2]) to Noether algebras. We see that for an arbitrary Noether  $R$ -algebra  $A$  there exists a bifunctorial isomorphism in  $\text{Mod-}R$

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}A)}(Y^\bullet, X^\bullet \otimes_A^{\mathbf{L}} V^\bullet) \cong \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_A^\bullet(X^\bullet, Y^\bullet)^*$$

for  $X^\bullet \in \mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod-}A)_{\text{fpd}}$  and  $Y^\bullet \in \mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}A)$ , where  $V^\bullet = \text{Hom}_R^\bullet(A, I^\bullet)$  with  $I^\bullet$  a minimal injective resolution of  $R$  and  $(-)^* = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}R)}(-, R)$ . On the other hand, we know from [1, Theorem 4.7] that if  $V^\bullet$  is a dualizing complex for  $A$  and if  $\text{inj dim } {}_A A = \text{inj dim } A_A < \infty$  then  $-\otimes_A^{\mathbf{L}} V^\bullet$  induces a self-equivalence of  $\mathcal{D}^b(\text{mod-}A)$ .

Assume  $A$  is a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$ . Let  $P^\bullet \in \mathcal{K}^b(\mathcal{P}_A)$  be a tilting complex and  $B = \text{End}_{\mathcal{K}(\text{Mod-}A)}(P^\bullet)$ . We ask when  $B$  is also a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$ . Set  $\nu = -\otimes_A^{\mathbf{L}} \Omega$ . Then by Serre duality theory we have an isomorphism of  $B$ -bimodules

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}A)}(P^\bullet, \nu P^\bullet[i]) \cong \text{Ext}_R^{i+c}(B, R)$$

for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . On the other hand, denoting by  $\mathcal{S}$  the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{D}^-(\text{Mod-}A)$  consisting of complexes  $X^\bullet$  with  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}A)}(P^\bullet, X^\bullet[i]) = 0$  for  $i \neq 0$ , we have an equivalence  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\text{Mod-}A)}(P^\bullet, -) : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \text{Mod-}B$  (see [4, Section 4]). Thus  $B$  is a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$  if and only if  $\text{add}(\nu P^\bullet) = \text{add}(P^\bullet)$ . Unfortunately, this is not the case in general. However,  $B$  is a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$  with  $\text{Ext}_R^c(B, R) \cong B$  as  $B$ -bimodules if and only if  $A$  is a Gorenstein  $R$ -algebra of codimension  $c$  with  $\Omega \cong A$  as  $A$ -bimodules.

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**On generalized Jordan left derivations in certain classes of rings**  
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Let  $R$  be an associative ring. An additive mapping  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is called a derivation (resp. Jordan derivation) if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  (resp.  $d(x^2) = d(x)x + xd(x)$ ), holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . An additive mapping  $\delta : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be a left derivation (resp. Jordan left derivation) if  $\delta(xy) = x\delta(y) + y\delta(x)$  (resp.  $\delta(x^2) = 2x\delta(x)$ ) holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . An additive mapping  $G : R \rightarrow R$  is called a *generalized left derivation* (resp. *generalized Jordan left derivation*) if there exists a Jordan left derivation  $\delta : R \rightarrow R$  such that  $G(xy) = xG(y) + y\delta(x)$  (resp.  $G(x^2) = xG(x) + x\delta(x)$ ) holds for all  $x, y \in R$ .

A mapping  $f : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be commuting on  $R$  if  $f(x)x = xf(x)$ , holds for all  $x \in R$ . Comparing Jordan left derivation with commuting mapping on a ring  $R$ , it turns out that the notion of Jordan left derivations is in a close connection with the commuting mappings on  $R$ . There has been considerable interest for commuting mappings on prime rings. The fundamental result in this direction is due to Posner [Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 8(1957), 1093 – 1100] which states that *if a prime ring  $R$  admits a nonzero derivation that is commuting on  $R$ , then  $R$  is commutative*. Using rather weaker hypotheses, Brešar and Vukman [Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 110 (1990), 7-16] obtained a result which shows that the existence of a nonzero Jordan left derivation on a prime ring  $R$  of  $\text{char} R \neq 2, 3$  forces  $R$  to be commutative. It was also remarked by Brešar and Vukman that the assumption  $R$  is 3-torsion free in the hypotheses of the above result may be avoided.

In the present paper, our objective is to generalize the above mentioned result for generalized Jordan left derivation. Some related results are also discussed.

# THE REALIZATION PROBLEM FOR VON NEUMANN REGULAR RINGS

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For a ring  $R$ , denote by  $\mathcal{V}(R)$  the abelian monoid of isomorphism classes of finitely generated projective right  $R$ -modules. This is always a *conical* monoid, meaning that, for  $x, y \in \mathcal{V}(R)$ , the relation  $0 = x + y$  implies  $x = y = 0$ . If moreover the ring  $R$  is von Neumann regular (or just an exchange ring), then  $M := \mathcal{V}(R)$  is a *refinement monoid*: whenever  $a + b = c + d$  in  $M$  there exist  $x, y, z, t \in M$  such that  $a = x + y$ ,  $b = z + t$ ,  $c = x + z$  and  $d = y + t$ .

By results of Bergman [5, Theorems 6.2 and 6.4] and Bergman and Dicks [6, page 315], any conical monoid with an order-unit appears as  $\mathcal{V}(R)$  for some unital hereditary ring  $R$ . We will discuss aspects of the following problem:

**Realization Problem for von Neumann Regular Rings:** Is every conical refinement monoid *representable*, that is, isomorphic to  $\mathcal{V}(R)$ , for some von Neumann regular ring  $R$ ?

By results of Wehrung [7], there are conical refinement cancellative monoids of size  $\geq \aleph_2$  which are not representable, but the question is still open for monoids of size  $\leq \aleph_1$ .

In the paper [2], it is shown that the above problem has a positive answer for a large class of conical refinement monoids, associated to directed graphs. This class of monoids was introduced and studied in [3]. We will state its characterization within finitely generated antisymmetric refinement monoids, obtained recently in [4]. Moreover we will describe some methods to represent classes of monoids which are beyond the class of graph monoids [1].

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## LEAVITT PATH ALGEBRAS FOR COUNTABLE GRAPHS

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We extend the notion of the Leavitt path algebra of a graph to include all directed countable graphs. We show how various ring-theoretic properties of these more general structures relate to the corresponding properties of Leavitt path algebras of row-finite graphs. Specifically, we identify those graphs for which the corresponding Leavitt path algebra is simple; purely infinite simple; exchange; and semiprime. In our final result, we show that all Leavitt path algebras have zero Jacobson radical.

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## On Lie Ideals and Generalized $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivations in Rings

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Let  $R$  be a ring and  $U$  a Lie ideal of  $R$  such that  $u^2 \in U$ . Let  $\theta, \phi$  be endomorphisms of  $R$  and  $M$  be a 2-torsion free  $R$ -bimodule such that  $mRx = \{0\}$  with  $m \in M, x \in R$  implies that either  $m = 0$  or  $x = 0$ . An additive mapping  $F : R \rightarrow M$  is called a generalized  $(\theta, \phi)$  - derivation (resp. generalized Jordan  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation) on  $U$  if there exists a  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation

$d : R \rightarrow M$  such that  $F(uv) = F(u)\theta(v) + \phi(u)d(v)$  (resp.  $F(u^2) = F(u)\theta(u) + \phi(u)d(u)$ ), holds for all  $u, v \in U$ . It is obvious to see that every generalized  $(\theta, \phi)$  - derivation  $F : R \rightarrow M$  is a generalized Jordan  $(\theta, \phi)$  - derivation. However, the converse need not be true in general. Corresponding results for derivation was first obtained by Herstein [ Proc. Amer. Math. Soci. 8(1957), 1104-10] which states that every Jordan derivation on a prime ring  $R$  is a derivation. This result was further extended in many directions by several authors. In the present paper, we shall discuss such types of results in the setting of generalized derivation. In fact, in the present paper we prove that if  $\theta$  is one-one and onto, then every generalized Jordan  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation on  $U$  is a generalized  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation on  $U$ . Further it is shown that the above result is also true in the case if the underlying module  $M$  is arbitrary and the Lie ideal  $U$  of  $R$  has a commutator which is free from zero divisor. Finally, a related result for centralizing and commuting generalized derivation on a ring  $R$  has been obtained.

## GENERALIZED REVERSIBLE RINGS AND THEIR EXTENSIONS

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Throughout this paper,  $R$  denotes an associative ring with identity and  $\alpha$  denotes a nonzero non identity endomorphism of a given ring, unless specified otherwise. Recall that a ring is *reduced* if it has no nonzero nilpotent elements. It is well-known that if  $R$  is a reduced ring, then the following condition is held:  $ab = 0$  implies  $ba = 0$  for  $a, b \in R$ . Cohn [1] called a ring  $R$  *reversible* if it holds this condition. Historically, some of the earliest results known to us about *reversible* rings (although not so called at the time) was due to Habeb [2]. Another generalization of a reduced ring is an Armendariz ring. Rege and Chhawchharia [7] called a ring  $R$  *Armendariz* if whenever any polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \cdots + b_nx^n \in R[x]$  satisfy  $f(x)g(x) = 0$ , then  $a_ib_j = 0$  for each  $i$  and  $j$ . Recently, the Armendariz property of a ring was extended to skew polynomial rings but with skewed scalar multiplication in [4,3]: For an endomorphism  $\alpha$  of a ring  $R$ ,  $R$  is called  $\alpha$ -*Armendariz* (resp.  $\alpha$ -*skew Armendariz*) if for  $p = \sum_{i=0}^m a_ix^i$  and  $q = \sum_{j=0}^n b_jx^j$  in  $R[x; \alpha]$ ,  $pq = 0$  implies  $a_ib_j = 0$  (resp.  $a_i\alpha^i(b_j) = 0$ ) for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . On the other hand, an endomorphism  $\alpha$  of a ring  $R$  is called *rigid* [6] if  $a\alpha(a) = 0$  implies  $a = 0$  for  $a \in R$ , and  $R$  is an  $\alpha$ -*rigid* ring [3] if there exists a rigid endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $R$ .

Motivated by the above, for an endomorphism  $\alpha$  of a ring  $R$ , we call right reversible if whenever  $ab = 0$  for  $a, b \in R$ , then  $b\alpha(a) = 0$ . A ring  $R$  is called *right  $\alpha$ -reversible* if there exists a right reversible endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $R$ . The notation of an  $\alpha$ -reversible ring is a generalization of  $\alpha$ -rigid rings as well as an extension of reversible rings. We study characterizations of  $\alpha$ -reversible rings and their related properties. And the relationship between  $\alpha$ -reversible rings and generalized Armendariz rings is also studied, and so several known results relating to  $\alpha$ -rigid and reduced rings can be obtained as corollaries of our results.

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## Some Progress on Clean Rings

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### Abstract

Clean ring is introduced by Nicholson in 1977. Since then, it have attracted many ring theory experts to do further researches. During the study of clean rings, some related clean ring classes and many challengeable open questions are arisen, such as five open problems about strongly clean rings asked by Nicholson. Now the study of clean rings has been a hotspot in the ring theory. In this talk, We will give some recent progress about clean rings. It contains the following contents.

- (1) Clean ring (group ring,  $g(x)$ -clean ring, 2-clean ring).
- (2) Strongly clean ring (matrix ring, triangular matrix ring and power series ring).
- (3) Uniquely clean group ring
- (4) Uniquely strongly clean ring (example, characterization and relation).
- (5) Some questions about clean rings.

## A Class of Near-Rings from Rings

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### ABSTRACT.

In this paper, from a given ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ , we will construct that a new kind of near-ring. To construct a new class of near-rings from the base ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ , the procedure is to begin with a ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and a new multiplication denoted by  $*$  on  $(R, +)$  so as to obtain a new near-ring  $(R, +, *)$ . The new multiplication is expressed in terms of the original addition and multiplication by defining  $a * b$  to be a polynomial in  $a$  and  $b$  with fixed (central) orthogonal idempotents  $e$  and  $t$  in  $R$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $R$ . We will also consider some relations of substructures of base rings and those of new kinds of near-rings, for example, subnear-rings,  $R$ -subgroups, invariant substructures and ideals, in particular, prime like ideals of a new near-rings and investigate some of their properties.

J. Clay [1] classified almost all abelian near-rings on given finite abelian groups of order  $\leq 7$ . Our purpose is to introduce a special method for constructing a new class of abelian near-rings from arbitrary rings with (central) orthogonal idempotents.

## **One-sided ideals in simple rings**

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### **Abstract**

One-sided ideals in simple ringsabstract: This talk is on joint work with Dinh Van Huynh. Using a variation on the concept of a CS module, we describe exactly when a simple ring is isomorphic to a ring of matrices over a Bezout domain. Our techniques are then applied to characterise simple rings which are right and left Goldie, right and left semihereditary.

## On Divisible and Torsionfree Modules

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### Abstract

This talk is a report on joint work with Lixin Mao.

Let  $R$  be a ring. A left  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be *divisible* (or  *$P$ -injective*) if  $\text{Ext}^1(R/Ra, M) = 0$  for all  $a \in R$ . A right  $R$ -module  $N$  is called *torsionfree* if  $\text{Tor}_1(N, R/Ra) = 0$  for all  $a \in R$ . The definitions of divisible and torsionfree modules coincide with the classical ones in case  $R$  is a commutative domain. It is clear that a right  $R$ -module  $N$  is torsionfree if and only if the character module  $N^+$  is divisible by the standard isomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(R/Ra, N^+) \cong \text{Tor}_1(N, R/Ra)^+$  for every  $a \in R$ .

In this paper, a ring  $R$  is called left  *$P$ -coherent* in case each principal left ideal of  $R$  is finitely presented. A left  $R$ -module  $M$  (resp. right  $R$ -module  $N$ ) is called  *$D$ -injective* (resp.  *$D$ -flat*) if  $\text{Ext}^1(G, M) = 0$  (resp.  $\text{Tor}_1(N, G) = 0$ ) for every divisible left  $R$ -module  $G$ . It is shown that every left  $R$ -module over a left  *$P$ -coherent* ring  $R$  has a divisible cover; a left  $R$ -module  $M$  is  *$D$ -injective* if and only if  $M$  is the kernel of a divisible precover  $A \rightarrow B$  with  $A$  injective; a finitely presented right  $R$ -module  $L$  over a left  *$P$ -coherent* ring  $R$  is  *$D$ -flat* if and only if  $L$  is the cokernel of a torsionfree preenvelope  $K \rightarrow F$  with  $F$  flat. We also study the divisible and torsionfree dimensions of modules and rings. As applications, some new characterizations of von Neumann regular rings and  *$PP$*  rings are given.

*Key Words:*  *$P$ -coherent* ring; divisible module; torsionfree module;  *$D$ -injective* module;  *$D$ -flat* module; Warfield cotorsion module; (pre)cover; (pre)envelope.

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## A TILED ORDER OF FINITE GLOBAL DIMENSION WITH NO NEAT PRIMITIVE IDEMPOTENT

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Let  $R$  be a discrete valuation ring with a unique maximal ideal  $\pi R$  and a quotient field  $K$ , and let  $F = R/\pi R$  be the residue class field. Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and  $\{\lambda_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}$  a set of  $n^2$  integers satisfying

$$\lambda_{ii} = 0, \quad \lambda_{ik} + \lambda_{kj} \geq \lambda_{ij}, \quad \lambda_{ij} + \lambda_{ji} > 0 \quad (\text{if } i \neq j)$$

for all  $1 \leq i, j, k \leq n$ . Then  $\Lambda = (\pi^{\lambda_{ij}} R)$  is a basic semiperfect Noetherian  $R$ -subalgebra of the full  $n \times n$  matrix algebra  $M_n(K)$ . We call such  $\Lambda$  a *tiled  $R$ -order* in  $M_n(K)$ .

Let  $S$  be a semiperfect Noetherian ring and  $e$  a primitive idempotent of  $S$ . Following Ágoston, Dlab and Wakamatsu [1], we call  $e$  a *neat primitive idempotent* if  $\text{Ext}_S^i(V, V) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$ , where  $V$  is a simple right  $S$ -module with  $Ve \neq 0$ .

It is shown by Jategaonkar [4] that for a fixed  $n \geq 2$ , there are only finitely many tiled  $R$ -orders of finite global dimension in  $M_n(K)$ , up to isomorphisms. It is not known, however, what is the maximum finite global dimension among them, while some examples of tiled  $R$ -orders having large global dimension are studied by some authors. In such examples, neat primitive idempotents play an essential role. Then in [3] a question was posed, that is, “Does any tiled  $R$ -order of finite global dimension have a neat primitive idempotent?”, which can be considered as an improved version of Jategaonkar’s conjecture disproved by Kirkman and Kuzmanovich [5] and [2] for all  $n \geq 6$ .

In this talk, for an arbitrary prime  $p$ , we construct a tiled  $R$ -order  $\Lambda$  in  $M_n(K)$  such that global dimension  $\text{gld}\Lambda = 5$  if characteristic  $\text{char}F \neq p$ , and  $\text{gld}\Lambda = \infty$  if  $\text{char}F = p$ , where  $n = 4p + 5$ . In the case of  $\text{char}F \neq p$ ,  $\Lambda$  is a tiled  $R$ -order of finite global dimension which has no neat primitive idempotent, so that the above question is solved.

In order to compute global dimension of  $\Lambda$ , we use the theory of Rump [6]. Namely, we compute projective resolutions in the category of finite dimensional  $\Omega$ -representations over  $F$ , where  $\Omega$  is the infinite poset of indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -projectives in a fixed simple  $M_n(K)$ -module.

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## Zero-Divisor Semigroups of Some Simple Graphs <sup>2</sup>

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The zero-divisor graph of a commutative semigroup with zero is a graph whose vertices are the nonzero zero-divisors of the semigroup, with two distinct vertices joined by an edge in case their product in the semigroup is zero. In this paper, we give formulas to calculate the numbers of non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the graph  $K_n - e$  (the complete graph  $K_n$  deleted an edge), star graphs  $K_{1,n}$ , two-star graphs  $T_{m,n}$  and windmill graphs respectively.

### 1. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 1.** *The number of non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the graph  $K_n - e$  (the complete graph  $K_n$  deleted an edge) is*

$$H(n) = 4 \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} K(i) + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} (n-3-i)K(i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-5} (n-4-i)(n-3-i)K(i).$$

Where  $K(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n P(k)$  is the number of non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the complete graph  $K_n$  and  $P(n)$  denotes the number of partitions of  $n$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $n \geq 2$ . Then the number of non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the star graph  $K_{1,n}$  is*

$$S(n) = n + 2 + 2f(n-1) + 2f(n).$$

Where  $f(n)$  denotes the number of non-isomorphic commutative semigroups with  $n$  elements.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers. Let  $T(m, n)$  denote the number of non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the two-star graph  $T_{m,n}$ . Then*

- (1)  $T(m, n) = f(m) + f(n)$ , if  $m \neq n$ ;
- (2)  $T(m, n) = f(n)$ , if  $m = n$ .

Where  $f(n)$  denotes the number of non-isomorphic commutative semigroups with  $n$  elements.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$ ,  $m \geq 0$  and  $F_{n,m}$  denotes the windmill graphs, a special refinement of the star graph  $K_{1,2n+m}$ . Then there are  $\frac{1}{2}(m+1)(n+1)(n+2)$  non-isomorphic zero-divisor semigroups corresponding to the graph  $F_{m,n}$ .*

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# Duals of Modules and Quasitriangular Hopf Algebras

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## Abstract

Let  $C$  be a coalgebra and  $M$  a right  $C$ -comodule then the dual space  $M^*$  of  $M$  is a right  $C^*$ -module. If we begin with a right  $A$ -module  $M$ , however, difficulties arise. In general,  $M^*$  is not a comodule. This paper studies the finite dual comodule.

Let  $A$  be an algebra and  $M$  be a right  $A$ -module. We show that  $M^0 = \{f | f \in M^*, f(MI) = 0, \text{ for some ideal } I \text{ of } A \text{ such that } \dim A/I < \infty\}$  is a right  $A^0$ -comodule. We also show that the finite dual comodule of Yetter-Drinfeld module,  $H$ -module coalgebra and Hopf module are Yetter-Drinfeld module,  $H$ -comodule algebra and Hopf module respectively. Let  $(H, R)$  be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with  $R = \sum a_i \otimes b_i \in H \otimes H$ . On the set  $H$  we define a new coproduct  $\Delta' = R\Delta h = \sum a_i h_1 \otimes b_i h_2$ . We show that  $(H, \Delta', \varepsilon)$  is a coalgebra. If we denote this coalgebra  $(H, \Delta', \varepsilon)$  by  $H'$  then we show that the map  $u : H' \rightarrow H$  by  $u(h) = h$  is a convolution invertible. Applying this new coproduct to the Drinfeld double  $D(H)$ , we show  $(D(H))' \cong (M_n(k))^*$  as coalgebra. Here  $n = \dim H$ , and  $M_n(k)$  is the algebra of all  $n \times n$  square matrices over field  $k$ .

## SYMMETRY IN NONCOMMUTATIVE NOETHERIAN RINGS

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The Jacobson radical of a ring is left-right symmetrical. It is the intersection of maximal right ideals as well as maximal left ideals. A similar symmetry holds for semisimple Artinian rings. This two-sidedness plays a crucial role in the use of these concepts. Here we recall that such a symmetry also exists for invertible ideals and describe applications which are dependent on this property.

Let  $R$  be a prime Noetherian ring and  $Q$  the quotient ring of  $R$ . Define  $I^* = \{q \in Q : qI \subseteq R\}$  and  $I^+ = \{q \in Q : Iq \subseteq R\}$ . Then we say that  $I$  is *right invertible* if  $II^+ = R$ , *left invertible* if  $I^*I = R$  and *invertible* if both hold. We have shown [3] that in a Noetherian (semi)prime polynomial identity (PI) ring a maximal ideal is right invertible if and only if it is left invertible. In particular, such an ideal is projective. This result was extended to a general ideal  $I$  in [2]. Some applications of this result are as follows [1,2]:

**Theorem 1.** *(with Chatters and Lissaman): Let  $R$  be a Noetherian PI ring. Let  $M$  be a non-idempotent maximal ideal of  $R$  such that  $M_R$  is projective. Then  $M$  has the left Artin-Rees property and  $M$  contains a right regular element of  $R$ .*

Recall that a module  $M_R$  is called a *generator* if  $R_R$  is a direct summand of  $M \oplus \dots \oplus M$ . (finite direct sum of copies of  $M$ ). We can show:

**Theorem 2.** *(with Braun): Let  $R$  be a Noetherian PI ring. Let  $I$  be a two sided ideal of  $R$  which is a right generator. Then  $I$  is right projective and satisfies the left Artin-Rees property.*

Thus a generator ideal is a progenerator.

Extending these methods we obtain information on the structure of the ideal class group of the centre of certain rings of finite global dimension. This class includes the enveloping algebra of a finite dimensional Lie algebra over a field of characteristic  $p$ .

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## GROUP ACTIONS IN A UNIT-REGULAR RING, II

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a ring with unity,  $X$  the set of all nonzero, nonunits of  $R$  and  $G$  the group of all units of  $R$ . We will consider some group actions on  $X$  by  $G$ , the left (resp. right) regular action and the conjugate action. In this paper, by investigating these group actions we can have some results as follows: First, if  $E(R)$ , the set of all nonzero nontrivial idempotents of a unit-regular ring  $R$ , is commuting, then  $o_\ell(x) = o_r(x)$ ,  $o_c(x) = \{x\}$  for all  $x \in X$  where  $o_\ell(x)$  (resp.  $o_r(x)$ ,  $o_c(x)$ ) is the orbit of  $x$  under the left regular (resp. right regular, conjugate) action on  $X$  by  $G$  and  $R$  is abelian regular. Secondly, if  $R$  is a unit-regular ring with unity 1 such that  $G$  is a finitely generated abelian group and  $2 = 1 + 1 \in G$ , then  $G$  is a finite abelian group. Finally, if  $R$  is an abelian regular ring such that  $G$  is an abelian group, then  $R$  is a commutative ring.

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## On Hochschild cohomology ring of an order of a quaternion algebra

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Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $\Lambda$  an  $R$ -algebra which is a finitely generated projective  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $\Lambda$ -bimodule (i.e., a  $\Lambda^e = \Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda^{\text{op}}$ -module), then the  $n$ th Hochschild cohomology of  $\Lambda$  with coefficients in  $M$  is defined by  $H^n(\Lambda, M) := \text{Ext}_{\Lambda^e}^n(\Lambda, M)$ . We set  $HH^n(\Lambda) = H^n(\Lambda, \Lambda)$ . The Yoneda product gives  $HH^*(\Lambda) := \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} HH^n(\Lambda)$  a graded ring structure with  $1 \in Z\Lambda \simeq HH^0(\Lambda)$  where  $Z\Lambda$  denotes the center of  $\Lambda$ .  $HH^*(\Lambda)$  is called the Hochschild cohomology ring of  $\Lambda$ .

Let  $G$  denote the generalized quaternion 2-group of order  $2^{r+2}$  for  $r \geq 1$ :

$$Q_{2^r} = \langle x, y \mid x^{2^{r+1}} = 1, x^{2^r} = y^2, yxy^{-1} = x^{-1} \rangle.$$

We set  $e = (1 - x^{2^r})/2 \in \mathbb{Q}G$  and denote  $xe$  by  $\zeta$ , a primitive  $2^{r+1}$ -th root of  $e$ . Then  $e$  is a central idempotent of  $\mathbb{Q}G$  and  $\mathbb{Q}Ge$  is the quaternion algebra over the field  $K := \mathbb{Q}(\zeta + \zeta^{-1})$  with identity  $e$ , that is,  $\mathbb{Q}Ge = K \oplus Ki \oplus Kj \oplus Kij$  where we set  $i = x^{2^{r-1}}e$  and  $j = ye$  (see [1, (7.40)]). Note that  $i^2 = j^2 = -e$ ,  $ij = -ji$  hold. In the following we set  $R = \mathbb{Z}[\zeta + \zeta^{-1}]$ , the ring of integers of  $K$ , and we set  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}Ge = R \oplus R\zeta \oplus Rj \oplus R\zeta j$ . Note that  $R$  is a commuting parameter ring, because  $y$  commutes with  $x + x^{-1}$ . Then  $\Gamma$  is an  $R$ -order of  $\mathbb{Q}Ge$ . In particular if  $r = 1$ ,  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}e \oplus \mathbb{Z}i \oplus \mathbb{Z}j \oplus \mathbb{Z}ij$  is just the quaternion algebra over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

We give an efficient bimodule projective resolution of  $\Gamma$ , and we determine the ring structure of the Hochschild cohomology  $HH^*(\Gamma)$  by calculating the Yoneda products using this bimodule projective resolution. We have the following theorem (see [2]):

**Theorem.** (1) *If  $r = 1$ , then the Hochschild cohomology ring  $HH^*(\Gamma)$  is isomorphic to*

$$\mathbb{Z}[A, B, C]/(2A, 2B, 2C, A^2 + B^2 + C^2),$$

where  $\deg A = \deg B = \deg C = 1$ .

(2) *If  $r \geq 2$ , then the Hochschild cohomology ring  $HH^*(\Gamma)$  is isomorphic to*

$$R[A, B, C, D]/((\zeta + \zeta^{-1})A, (\zeta + \zeta^{-1})B, (\zeta + \zeta^{-1})C, 2^r D, \\ A^2 + B^2 + C^2, BC - 2^{r-1}\eta D),$$

where  $\eta = 2e/(\zeta + \zeta^{-1}) \in R$ ,  $\deg A = \deg B = \deg C = 1$  and  $\deg D = 2$ .

In the case  $r = 1$ , this Hochschild cohomology ring is already known by [3, Section 3.4].

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## Auslander-type Conditions

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Let  $R$  be a two-sided noetherian ring and  $\text{mod } R$  the category of finitely generated left  $R$ -modules. For a positive integer  $n$ ,  $R$  is called a  $n$ -Gorenstein ring if the flat dimension of the  $i$ -th term in a minimal injective resolution of  $R_R$  is at most  $i - 1$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .  $R$  is said to satisfy the *Auslander condition* if it is  $k$ -Gorenstein for all  $n$ . For a module  $M$  in  $\text{mod } R$  (resp  $\text{mod } R^{op}$ ) and a non-negative integer  $i$ , we denote  $\text{grade} M \geq i$  if  $\text{Ext}_R^j(M, R) = 0$  for any  $0 \leq j < i$ , and denote  $\text{s.grade} M \geq i$  if  $\text{grade} N \geq i$  for any submodule  $N$  of  $M$ . It was showed by Auslander in 1975 that  $R$  is  $k$ -Gorenstein if and only if  $\text{s.grade} \text{Ext}_R^i(M, R) \geq i$  for any  $M \in \text{mod } R$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and in particular, the notion of  $n$ -Gorenstein rings (and hence that of the Auslander condition) is left-right symmetric.

Let  $n, k \geq 0$ . We say that  $R$  is  $G_n(k)$  if  $\text{s.grade} \text{Ext}_R^{i+k}(M, R) \geq i$  holds for any  $M \in \text{mod } R$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then  $R$  is  $G_n(k)$  if and only if the flat dimension of the  $i$ -th term in a minimal injective resolution of  $R_R$  is at most  $i + k - 1$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus  $G_n(0)$  (resp.  $G_\infty(0)$ ) is just the  $n$ -Gorenstein ring (resp. the Auslander condition). Similarly, we say that  $R$  is  $g_n(k)$  if  $\text{grade} \text{Ext}_R^{i+k}(M, R) \geq i$  holds for any  $M \in \text{mod } R$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Noetherian rings satisfying ‘Auslander-type conditions’ on self-injective resolutions can be regarded as certain non-commutative analogs of commutative Gorenstein rings. Such conditions, especially dominant dimension and the  $n$ -Gorenstein ring, play a crucial role in representation theory and non-commutative algebraic geometry. They are also interesting from the viewpoint of some homological conjectures.

In this talk, I summarize some developments on the study of Auslander-type conditions.

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**Characterizations of elements in prime radicals of skew polynomial rings and skew Laurent polynomial rings**

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**Abstract**

We show that the  $\theta$ -prime radical of a ring  $R$  is the set of all strongly  $\theta$ -nilpotent elements, where  $\theta$  is an automorphism of  $R$ . Also we observe some conditions under which the  $\theta$ -prime radical of  $R$  coincides with the prime radical. Moreover we characterize elements in the prime radical of skew Laurent polynomial ring, by studying  $\theta$ -(semi)primeness.

# Applications of Harada rings and Kupisch series for Harada rings

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In this talk, we show several results as applications of left H-rings and discuss Kupisch series for left H-rings. Among others, we show the following results:

Theorem 1. If  $R$  is a left perfect ring whose factor rings are right QF-3, then  $R$  is a Nakayama ring.

Theorem 2. If  $R$  is a semiprimary QF-2 ring with ACC or DCC for right annihilator ideals, then  $R$  is QF-3.

Theorem 3. If  $R$  is a basic indecomposable left H-ring with a simple projective right  $R$ -module, then  $R$  can be represented as a factor ring of an upper triangular matrix ring over a division ring.

Theorem 4. For a left H-ring  $R$ , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $R$  is a Nakayama ring.
- (2)  $R/S_i(R_R)$  is a Nakayama QF-ring for  $i = 1, 2$ .
- (3)  $R/S_i(R_R)$  is a Nakayama QF-ring for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .
- (4)  $R$  is right Kasch and  $R/S(R_R)$  is right QF-2.
- (5)  $R/S_i(R_R)$  is QF for  $i = 1, 2$ .
- (6)  $R/S_i(R_R)$  is QF for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

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**Koszul differential graded algebras  
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**abstract**

The concept of Koszul differential graded algebra (Koszul DG algebra) is introduced. Koszul DG algebras exist extensively. It is shown that any finite dimensional local algebra over an algebraically closed field is the Ext-algebra of some Koszul DG algebra, and quasi-Koszul and strongly quasi-Koszul algebras can also be realized by Koszul DG algebras. Koszul DG algebras have nice properties similar to the classic Koszul algebras: The Yoneda algebra of the Ext-algebra of a Koszul DG algebra  $A$  is isomorphic to the cohomology algebra  $H(A)$ ; There is an equivalence (and a duality) between some subcategories of the derived category of  $A$  and of the derived category of its Ext-algebra. When the Koszul DG algebra  $A$  is AS-regular it is proved that the Ext-algebra  $E$  of  $A$  is Frobenius. In this case, similar to the classical BGG correspondence, there is a correspondence between the stable category of  $E$  and some sub quotient category of the derived category of  $A$ .



## Valuation rings in the quotient ring of a skew polynomial ring

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Let  $K$  be a field, and let  $\sigma$  be an automorphism of  $K$  of finite order, say  $n$ . One can form a skew polynomial ring  $K[X, \sigma]$  over  $K$  with the usual rules of multiplication defined by the commutation rule:  $Xa = \sigma(a)X \forall a \in K$ . Let  $K(X, \sigma)$  denote the skew field of quotients of  $K[X, \sigma]$ . If  $F$  is the fixed field of  $\sigma$  and  $a \in F \setminus \{0\}$ , then one can also form the cyclic algebra  $(K/F, \sigma, a)$ . The aim of this talk is to describe the connection between the noncommutative valuation theories of  $K(X, \sigma)$  and  $(K/F, \sigma, a)$ . In particular, we will discuss semihereditary orders and Dubrovin valuation rings of the two central simple algebras.

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**ON NON- $\delta$ - $M$ -COSINGULAR COMPLETELY  
 $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -SUPPLEMENTED MODULES**

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In this note all modules will be unital right  $R$ -modules.

A module  $N$  in  $\sigma[M]$  is called  $M$ -singular if  $N \cong L/K$  for an  $L \in \sigma[M]$  and  $K$  is essential in  $L$ . Let  $A \leq N \in \sigma[M]$ .  $A$  is called a  $\delta_M$ -small submodule of  $N$  if whenever  $N = A + X$  and  $N/X$  is  $M$ -singular for  $X \leq N$  we have  $N = X$  and we denote it by  $A \ll_{\delta_M} N$ . Note that  $\delta_M$ -small submodules are the generalization of  $\delta$ -small submodules in the category of  $Mod - R$  defined by Zhou in [3].

Let  $A \leq B \leq N \in \sigma[M]$ .  $A$  is called a  $\delta_M$ -coessential submodule of  $B$  in  $N$  if  $B/A \ll_{\delta_M} N/A$  and we denote it by " $A \subseteq_{cc}^{\delta_M} B$  in  $N$ ". A submodule  $A$  of  $N$  is said to be  $\delta_M$ -coclosed in  $N$  if it has no proper  $\delta_M$ -coessential submodule in  $N$  and we denote it by " $A \subseteq_{cc}^{\delta_M} N$ ". Let  $A \leq B \leq N \in \sigma[M]$ . If  $A \subseteq_{cc}^{\delta_M} B$  in  $N$  and  $A \subseteq_{cc}^{\delta_M} N$ , then we say that  $A$  is a  $\delta_M$ -coclosure of  $B$  in  $N$ . By [1],  $A$  is a  $\delta_M$ -coclosure of  $B$  in  $N$  if and only if  $A$  is a minimal  $\delta_M$ -coessential submodule of  $B$  in  $N$  (because the class of  $M$ -singular modules is closed under homomorphic images).

Inspired by the definitions and characterizations of the class  $\overline{Z}_M(N)$  given in [2], one may define the submodule  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}(N) = \bigcap \{Ker g \mid g : N \rightarrow T, T \in \mathcal{DM}\}$  where  $\mathcal{DM}$  is the class of  $\delta$ - $M$ -small modules. Any module  $N \in \sigma[M]$  is called a  $\delta$ - $M$ -cosingular (non- $\delta$ - $M$ -cosingular) module if  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}(N) = 0$  ( $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}(N) = N$ ).

Let  $N \in \sigma[M]$  and  $X \leq N$ . A  $\delta_M$ -supplement of  $X$  in  $N$  is a submodule  $K$  of  $N$  with  $N = K + X$  and  $X \cap K \ll_{\delta_M} K$ . If every submodule of  $N$  has a direct summand  $\delta_M$ -supplement in  $N$ , then  $N$  is called  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented. We call any module  $N$  in  $\sigma[M]$  completely  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented if every direct summand of  $N$  is  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented.

Some of our main results can be stated as follows:

**THEOREM 1:** Let  $N \in \sigma[M]$  be a non- $\delta$ - $M$ -cosingular  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented module. Then  $N$  is  $(D_3)$  if and only if  $N$  has the summand intersection property.

**THEOREM 2:** Let  $N \in \sigma[M]$  such that  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}(N)$  has a coclosure (or  $\delta_M$ -coclosure) in  $N$ . Then  $N$  is (completely)  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented if and only if  $N = \overline{Z}_{\delta_M}^2(N) \oplus K$  for some submodule  $K$  of  $N$  such that  $K$  and  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}^2(N)$  are (completely)  $\oplus$ - $\delta_M$ -supplemented.

**THEOREM 3:** Let  $N \in \sigma[M]$ . Then  $N$  is lifting if and only if  $N = \overline{Z}_{\delta_M}^2(N) \oplus K$  for some submodule  $K$  of  $N$  such that  $K$  and  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}^2(N)$  are lifting and  $K$  and  $\overline{Z}_{\delta_M}^2(N)$  are relatively projective.

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## ON THE RELATIVE (QUASI-) DISCRETENESS OF MODULES

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In recent years, several authors (c.f. [1]-[5]) have studied discrete modules and other related concepts as interesting generalizations of the concept of projectivity and lifting property of modules. Although relative projectivity has been studied in detail, it appears that not much work has yet been done to study the discreteness of an arbitrary module  $M$  with respect to another module  $N$ , namely the  $N$ -discreteness of  $M$ . In [3], Oshiro generalized the concepts of lifting, quasi-discrete and discrete modules only for submodules taken from a given family  $\mathfrak{u}$ . This was done by considering the properties

$\mathfrak{u} - (D_1)$  For all  $A \in \mathfrak{u}$  there exists a direct summand  $N$  of  $M$  such that  $A/N \ll M/N$ .

$\mathfrak{u} - (D_2)$  For any  $A \in \mathfrak{u}$  with  $A \leq_d M$ , any sequence  $M \rightarrow M/A \rightarrow 0$  splits.

$\mathfrak{u} - (D_3)$  For any  $A \in \mathfrak{u}$  and  $B \leq M$  with  $A, B \leq_d M$  and  $M = A + B$ ,  $A \cap B \leq_d M$ .

Throughout this paper  $\mathfrak{u}$  will be a family of submodules of any unital right  $R$ -module  $M$  which is closed under coessential submodules (namely, if  $A \in \mathfrak{u}$  and  $A/B \ll M/B$ , then  $B \in \mathfrak{u}$ ) and  $(\alpha)$ :

$(\alpha)$  For  $A \in \mathfrak{u}$  and  $B \leq M$ ,  $M/A \cong M/B$  implies that  $B \in \mathfrak{u}$ .

Oshiro called the module  $M$   $\mathfrak{u}$ -lifting,  $\mathfrak{u}$ -quasi-semiperfect or  $\mathfrak{u}$ -semiperfect, if  $M$  satisfies  $\mathfrak{u} - (D_1)$ ,  $\mathfrak{u} - (D_1)$  and  $\mathfrak{u} - (D_3)$ , or  $\mathfrak{u} - (D_1)$  and  $\mathfrak{u} - (D_2)$ , respectively. In this paper we use the terms of *quasi-discrete* and *discrete* instead of quasi-semiperfect and semiperfect, respectively. When  $\mathfrak{u}$  consists of all submodules of  $M$  then  $M$  is  $\mathfrak{u}$ -lifting,  $\mathfrak{u}$ -quasi-discrete or  $\mathfrak{u}$ -discrete, respectively, iff  $M$  is lifting, quasi-discrete or discrete.

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be modules. Consider the class

$\mathcal{B}(M, N) = \{A \leq M \mid \exists X \leq N, \exists f \in \text{Hom}(M, N/X), \text{Ker } f/A \ll M/A\}$ .  $M$  is said to be  $N$ -lifting,  $N$ -quasi-discrete or  $N$ -discrete when  $M$  is  $\mathfrak{u}$ -lifting,  $\mathfrak{u}$ -quasi-discrete or  $\mathfrak{u}$ -discrete for  $\mathfrak{u} = \mathcal{B}(M, N)$ , respectively. In this paper we prove the following:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $0 \rightarrow N' \xrightarrow{f} N \xrightarrow{g} N'' \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence. If  $M$  is  $N$ -lifting((quasi)-discrete), then it is both  $N'$ - and  $N''$ -lifting((quasi)-discrete).*

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $0 \rightarrow N' \xrightarrow{f} N \xrightarrow{g} N'' \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence and let  $M$  be an  $N$ -amply supplemented module. Assume that  $\mathcal{B}(M/T, N)$  is closed under supplement submodules for every factor module  $M/T$  of  $M$ . Then  $M$  is  $N$ -lifting(quasi-discrete) iff it is both  $N'$ -lifting(quasi-discrete) and  $N''$ -lifting(quasi-discrete).*

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## ON IRREDUCIBLE FACTORS OF THE POLYNOMIAL $f(x) - g(y)$

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*Abstract.* A well known result of Ehrenfeucht states that a polynomial  $f_1(x_1) + \dots + f_n(x_n)$  with complex coefficients is irreducible over the field of complex numbers provided the degrees of  $f_1(x_1), \dots, f_n(x_n)$  have the greatest common divisor one. In 1964, Tverberg extended this result by showing that when  $K$  is a field of characteristic zero, then each polynomial  $f_1(x_1) + \dots + f_n(x_n)$  over  $K$  in  $n \geq 3$  variables is irreducible. He also proved that a polynomial  $f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2)$  with degrees of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  coprime, is always irreducible over a field of arbitrary characteristic. In 2001, Bhatia and Khanduja generalized the above result by proving that if  $r$  is the g.c.d. of the degrees of the polynomials  $f(x)$  and  $g(y)$  in the variables  $x$  and  $y$  having leading coefficients  $c$  and  $d$ , then  $f(x) - g(y)$  is irreducible over a field  $K$  provided  $x^r - \frac{c}{d}$  is  $K$ -irreducible. Indeed the above result was proved for Generalized Difference polynomials. In this lecture, all irreducible factors of polynomials of the form  $f(x) - g(y)$  over an arbitrary field are described. It will also be proved that the number of irreducible factors of  $f(x) - g(y)$  over a field  $K$  (counting multiplicities) does not exceed the greatest common divisor of the degrees of  $f(x), g(y)$ . It will be deduced that if  $f(x)$  and  $g(y)$  are non-constant polynomials with coefficients in the field  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational numbers and  $\deg f(x)$  is a prime number, then  $f(x) - g(y)$  is a product of at most two irreducible polynomials over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . This contributes to a problem raised by J. W. S. Cassels which asks for what polynomials  $f$ , is the polynomial  $\frac{f(x)-f(y)}{x-y}$  reducible. These results have jointly been proved with Prof. A. J. Engler, State University of Campinas, Brazil.

## The generalized finite intersection property

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### Abstract

A generalization of Baer ring and Noetherian ring is the generalized finite intersection property that is defined by the following; A ring  $R$  is said to have the generalized left finite intersection property if there exists a finite subset  $X'$  of  $R$  such that the left annihilator of any subset  $X$  of  $R$  is the left annihilator of  $X'$ . In this talking, there exists a ring having the generalized left finite intersection property but neither Baer ring nor Noetherian ring. Also, we find some results about a ring having the generalized left finite intersection property.

**On quasi continuous rings**

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In this paper, two-sided quasi-continuous rings or left CS rings with certain chain conditions are QF. For example, it is shown that two-sided quasi-continuous left perfect rings with DCC on left annihilators are QF. Also it is proved that left CS left GP-injective rings with ACC on left annihilators are QF.

## Morita duality and recent development

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About 50 years ago, Morita and Azumaya published epoch-making papers [6] and [1] independently, which are origins of the theory of Morita duality. Morita [6] studied equivalences (covariant category equivalences) between the full categories of modules over two rings and dualities (contravariant category equivalence) between reasonably large subcategories of right and left modules over two rings. Azumaya [1] studied dualities between the category of finitely generated right and left modules over two artinian rings, as a generalization of dualities induced by quasi-Frobenius rings. Now the equivalence and duality of Morita are called Morita equivalence and Morita duality, respectively, and play very important roles of the ring theory. The duality of Azumaya is interpreted as an essential case of Morita duality.

Following these works, many ring-theorists had investigated Morita duality. Particularly, they had been interested in (Morita) self-duality. There are few classes of rings with self-duality. Finite dimensional algebras over fields, quasi-Frobenius rings and (artinian) serial rings are such classes of rings. Azumaya [2] conjectured that every artinian exact ring has a self-duality. The class of artinian exact rings contains serial rings and commutative rings, which are known as rings with self-duality. However the conjecture still remains open.

In this talk, we shall present fundamental results about Morita duality (self-duality) and recent development including the authors results of [3, 4, 5] for self-duality of Harada rings (certain QF-3 artinian rings, which can be regarded as a generalization of quasi-Frobenius rings and serial rings) and Azumaya's conjecture.

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## Representation theory from a certain point of view

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### Abstract

We will be discussing representation theory, first of all, of finite dimensional algebras and also of finite groups over a sufficiently large field. We will be trying to explain what is going on in the area in terms of several conjectures and so on.

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# Compatible algebra structures of Lie algebras

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The compatible algebra products  $*$  of a finite-dimensional semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  with a Lie bracket  $[-, -]$  is defined to be satisfying the Leibniz law:

$$[x, y * z] = [x, y] * z + y * [x, z].$$

If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is simple of all the types except  $A_n$  of  $n \geq 2$ , then the compatible algebra products must be the scalar multiples of the Lie bracket  $[-, -]$ . In case that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is simple of type  $A_n$  of  $n \geq 2$ , such a product is a sum of a scalar multiple of  $[-, -]$  and a deformed one of the ordinal associative products on the full  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$  matrix algebra. Then we give an alternative proof to the triviality of the compatible associative algebra structures of a semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  which was shown in Kubo [3].

## 2. EXPLICIT FORMS

We can consider such a product as an element of  $\text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g})$ , and give the explicit form of it.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $g$  be a simple Lie algebra over  $k$ .*

(1) *If  $g$  is not of type  $A_n$  of  $n \geq 2$  then  $\text{Hom}_g(g \otimes g, g) = kL$ .*

(2) *If  $g$  is of type  $A_n$  of  $n \geq 2$  then  $\text{Hom}_g(g \otimes g, g) = kL \oplus kD$ .*

*Here  $L$  and  $D$  are of the forms:*

$$L(x \otimes y) := [x, y], \quad D(x \otimes y) = xy - \frac{1}{n+1} \text{Tr}(xy)E.$$

We will give an elementary proof based on the basic knowledge found in the text books [1, 2].

As for the compatible *associative* algebra structures, we have the following interesting result.

**Corollary 2** (Kubo[3]). *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a semisimple Lie algebra with a Lie bracket  $[-, -]$ . If  $\phi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g})$  satisfies the associative law:  $\phi(\phi(x \otimes y) \otimes z) = \phi(x \otimes \phi(y \otimes z))$  for  $x, y, z \in \mathfrak{g}$ , then  $\phi = 0$ .*

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## On Broué's abelian defect group conjecture in representation theory of finite groups

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In modular representation theory of finite groups, it is important to consider relations between representations of a given finite group and representations of its  $p$ -local subgroups. In fact, there are several conjectures based on such a concept. I will talk about, in particular, Broué's abelian defect group conjecture.

Let  $G$  be a finite group. Let  $p$  be a prime and  $(K, \mathcal{O}, k)$  a  $p$ -modular system, that is,  $\mathcal{O}$  is a complete discrete valuation ring,  $K$  is a quotient field of  $\mathcal{O}$  of characteristic 0 and  $k$  is a residue field of  $\mathcal{O}$  of characteristic  $p$ .

For  $R \in \{\mathcal{O}, k\}$ , we have an indecomposable decomposition

$$RG = A_0 \oplus \cdots \oplus A_n$$

of  $RG$  as algebras. We call each  $A_i$  a block of  $RG$ . For an indecomposable (right)  $RG$ -module  $U$ , there is a unique block  $A$  such that  $U \cdot A \neq 0$ . In this case, we say that  $U$  belongs to  $A$ . We call a block to which the trivial  $RG$ -module belongs the principal block of  $RG$ .

Let  $A$  be a block of  $RG$ . A defect group of  $A$  is a minimal  $p$ -subgroup  $D$  of  $G$  such that the multiplication map  $A \otimes_{RD} A \rightarrow A$  splits as an  $(A, A)$ -bimodule homomorphism.

The following theorem is very important.

**Theorem 1** (Brauer's first main theorem). *Let  $D$  be a  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Then there is a one to one correspondence between the set of blocks of  $RG$  with defect group  $D$  and the set of blocks of  $RN_G(D)$  with defect group  $D$ .*

The theorem does not say anything about relations between representations of corresponding blocks. On the other hand, Broué conjectures the following.

**Abelian Defect Group Conjecture** (Broué [1, 2]). Let  $A$  be a block of  $RG$  with defect group  $D$  and  $B$  the Brauer correspondent block in  $N_G(D)$  with defect group  $D$ . If  $D$  is abelian, then two blocks  $A$  and  $B$  would be derived equivalent.

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## Extended Armendariz rings and rigid rings

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A ring  $R$  is called Armendariz if whenever the product of any two polynomials in  $R[x]$  over  $R$  is zero, then so is the product of any pair of coefficients from the two polynomials. Such rings have been extensively studied in literature. For a ring endomorphism  $\alpha$ , we introduce the notions of  $\alpha$ -Armendariz rings and  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz rings which are generalizations of  $\alpha$ -rigid rings and extensions of Armendariz rings, by considering the polynomials in the skew polynomial ring  $R[x; \alpha]$  in place of the ring  $R[x]$ . We investigate their properties and study on the relationship between the Baerness and p.p.-property of a ring  $R$  and these of the skew polynomial ring  $R[x; \alpha]$  in case  $R$  is extended Armendariz. In particular, we show that there is a strong connection among extended Armendariz rings and rigid rings. Several known results follow as consequences of our results.

## On strongly NI rings

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Kim and Lee [5] called a ring strongly 2-primal if every factor rings of itself are 2-primal. The study of strongly 2-primal rings was initiated by Birkenmeier at el. [1]. Commutative rings are more similar to such rings than to 2-primal rings. In this talk, we define the concept of strongly NI rings which is a generalization of both strongly 2-primal rings and NI rings. Thus, it is related to NIness, 2-primalness and strong 2-primalness. Using some examples, each of them is not equivalent to strong NIness.

First, we show that a ring is strongly NI if and only if every strongly prime ideals are completely prime.

Next we also study the basic structure of strongly NI rings. We see whether new rings of old ones preserve strong NIness. Moreover we see some examples and counter examples suitable for questions raised naturally.

Finally, we also see some classes of rings under which NI rings and strongly NI rings coincide.

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## On the Behrens radical of matrix rings and polynomial rings

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It is shown that the Behrens radical of a polynomial ring, in either commuting or non-commuting indeterminates, has the form of “polynomials over an ideal” and, in the case of non-commuting indeterminates, for a given coefficient ring, the ideal does not depend on the cardinality of sets of indeterminates. However, in contrast to the Brown-McCoy radical, it is not true that if the polynomial ring in an infinite set of commuting indeterminates over a ring  $R$  is Behrens radical, then the polynomial ring in an infinite set of non-commuting indeterminates over  $R$  is Behrens radical. This is connected with the fact that matrix rings over Behrens radical rings need not be Behrens radical. The class of Behrens radical rings, which is closed under taking matrix rings, is described.

## ORE EXTENSIONS WHICH ARE GPI-RINGS

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**Abstract.** Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $\delta$  a  $\sigma$ -derivation of  $R$ , where  $\sigma$  is an automorphism of  $R$ . It is proved that the skew polynomial ring  $R[t; \sigma, \delta]$  is a GPI-ring (PI-ring resp.) if and only if  $R$  is a GPI-ring (PI-ring resp.),  $\delta$  is quasi-algebraic, and  $\sigma$  is quasi-inner. If  $R[t; \sigma, \delta]$  is a GPI-ring then  $\text{soc}(Q[t; \sigma, \delta]\tilde{C}) = (\text{soc}(Q)[t; \sigma, \delta])\tilde{C}$ , where  $Q$  is the symmetric Martindale quotient ring of  $R$  and where  $\tilde{C}$  denotes the extended centroid of  $Q[t; \sigma, \delta]$ . If  $R[t; \sigma, \delta]$  is a PI-ring, its PI-degree is determined as follows:

- (1)  $\text{PI-deg}(R[t; \sigma, \delta]) = \text{PI-deg}(R) \times \text{Out-deg}(\delta)$  if  $\delta$  is X-outer, and
- (2)  $\text{PI-deg}(R[t; \sigma, \delta]) = \text{PI-deg}(R) \times \text{Out-deg}(\sigma)$  if  $\delta$  is X-inner.

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### On Property (A)

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One of important properties for commutative Noetherian rings is that the annihilator of an ideal  $I$  consists entirely of zero-divisors is nonzero [6, Theorem 82]. However this result fails for some non-Noetherian rings, even if the ideal  $I$  is finitely generated.

Huckaba and Keller [5] introduced the following: a commutative ring  $R$  has *Property (A)* if every finitely generated ideal of  $R$  consisting entirely of zero-divisors has a nonzero annihilator.

Property (A) was originally studied by Quentel [9]. Quentel used the term Condition (C) for Property (A). The class of rings with Property (A) contains many important kinds of commutative rings, e.g., Noetherian rings, rings whose prime ideals are maximal, the polynomial rings and rings whose classical ring of quotients are von Neumann regular. Using Property (A), Hinkle and Huckaba [3] extend the concept of Kronecker function rings from integral domains to rings with zero-divisors. Many useful results for commutative rings with Property (A) can be found in [1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, etc.], and they contain several results which are useful studying commutative rings with zero-divisors.

Property (A) is closely connected with the following annihilator condition. Lucas [7] said that a commutative ring  $R$  has the *annihilator condition* (briefly, *a.c.*) provided that given a finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , there exists an element  $b \in R$  such that the annihilator of  $I$  is equal to the annihilator of  $b$ . Property (a.c.) was originally introduced by Henriksen and Jerison [2] on reduced rings. Noet that polynomial rings over reduced rings, Bezout rings (finitely generated ideals are principal), and many other important kinds of commutative rings have Property (a.c.). Property (A) and (a.c.) are equivalent conditions on a reduced ring whose space of minimal prime ideals is compact. However, these two conditions are not equivalent in general [7]. Recently, Lucas [8] also studied the zero-divisor graph of rings with Property (A).

We continue the study of rings with Property (A) on noncommutative rings. We first extend the concept of Property (A) to noncommutative rings, and observe structures of that and related rings.

We will say that a ring (possibly noncommutative)  $R$  has *right (left) Property (A)* if for every finitely generated ideal  $I$  consists entirely of left (right) zero-divisors, there exists nonzero  $a \in R$  ( $b \in R$ ) such that  $Ia = 0$  ( $bI = 0$ ). A ring  $R$  is called to have *Property (A)* if  $R$  has right and left Property (A).

It is shown that biregular rings have Property (A).

We next study several extensions of rings with Property (A) including matrix rings, polynomial rings, and classical quotient rings. It is proved that the Property (A) can go up to matrix rings. Adding to those, we also study when the space of minimal prime ideals of rings with Property (A) is compact.

Furthermore we will observe the Property (A) in other kinds of extensions and related concepts with some conditions (if necessary).

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## Weak Global Dimension of Coherent Rings

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### Abstract

We study the weak global dimension of coherent rings in terms of the left  $FP$ -injective resolutions of modules. Let  $R$  be a left coherent ring and  $\mathcal{FI}$  the class of all  $FP$ -injective left  $R$ -modules. It is shown that  $wD(R) \leq n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) if and only if every  $n$ th  $\mathcal{FI}$ -syzygy of a left  $R$ -module is  $FP$ -injective; and  $wD(R) \leq n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) if and only if every  $(n - 2)$ th  $\mathcal{FI}$ -syzygy in a minimal  $\mathcal{FI}$ -resolution of a left  $R$ -module has an  $FP$ -injective cover with the unique mapping property. Some results for the weak global dimension of commutative coherent rings are also given.

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## On $\tau$ -coherent rings

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Let  $R$  be a ring with identity and  $\tau$  the Lambek torsion theory, which is cogenerated by the injective hull of the left (or right)  $R$ -module  $R$ . In the following we shall say that  $R$  is left  $\tau$ -coherent, if every finitely generated left ideal is  $\tau$ -finitely presented. An  $R$ -homomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow N$  is called  $\tau$ -epimorphism, if  $\text{coker } f$  is  $\tau$ -torsion.

On the other hand,  $R$  is said to be a left (resp. right)  $TF$  ring, if every finitely generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left (resp. right)  $R$ -module is embedded into a free module. Furthermore, we shall say that a submodule  $N$  of a left  $R$ -module  $M$  is rationally closed, if  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion free. We give a necessary and sufficient condition of left  $TF$  ring  $R$  for which  $R$  becomes a right  $TF$  ring.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $Q$  be a maximal left quotient ring of  $R$ . Then  $R$  is a left  $TF$  ring, if and only if  $Q$  is a left  $TF$  ring and for every  $q \in Q$ ,  $q^{-1}R$  is a  $\tau$ -finitely generated dense right ideal of  $R$ , where  $q^{-1}R = \{r \in R \mid qr \in Q\}$ .*

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $R$  be a left  $TF$  ring. Then, the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (1)  $R$  is a right  $TF$  ring.
- (2)  $R$  is left  $\tau$ -coherent, and for every inverse system of  $\tau$ -epimorphism  $\{f_\lambda : R \rightarrow M_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  with each  $M_\lambda$  a torsionless left  $R$ -module,  $\varprojlim f_\lambda$  is a  $\tau$ -epimorphism.

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $Q$  be a maximal left quotient ring of  $R$  such that every finitely generated left  $Q$ -submodule of  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n Q$ , a finite direct sum of copies of the left  $Q$ -module  $Q$ , is a rationally closed. Then, the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (1)  $R$  is left  $\tau$ -coherent.
- (2)  $Q$  is flat as a right  $R$ -module.
- (3)  $Q$  is  $\Pi$ -flat as a right  $R$ -module.

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## Totally Projective Modules And The Extensions Of Bounded *QTAG*-Modules

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**Abstract:** A *QTAG*-module  $M$  is a unital module over an associative ring with unity such that every finitely generated submodule of any homomorphic image of  $M$  is a direct sum of uniserial modules. For a uniform element  $x \in M$ , height of  $x$  is  $\sup\{d(U/xR)\}$  where  $U$  runs through all the uniserial modules containing  $x$ .  $H_k(M)$  is the submodule of  $M$  generated by the elements of height atleast  $k$  and  $M^1 = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} H_k(M)$  or  $H_{\omega}M$ .  $M$  is  $k$ -bounded if  $H(x) \leq k$  for all  $x \in M$ . A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is  $h$ -pure in  $M$  if  $H_k(N) = H_k(M) \cap N$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and it is nice if for all ordinals  $\sigma$ ,  $H_{\sigma}(M/N) = (H_{\sigma}(M) + N)/N$ .  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -projective if  $H_{\sigma}(\text{Ext}(M, C)) = 0$  for all *QTAG*-modules  $C$  and it is totally projective if it is  $\sigma$ -projective for all ordinals  $\sigma$ . For a submodule  $N \subset M$  and ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  Ulm-Kaplansky invariant of  $M$  with respect to  $N$  is defined as  $f_{\alpha}(M, N)$  which is the cardinality of the minimal generating set of  $(\text{Soc}(H_{\alpha}(M)))/(\text{Soc}(H_{\alpha}(M)) \cap (\text{Soc}(H_{\alpha+1}(M) + N)))$ . If  $N = 0$ ,  $f_{\alpha}(M, N) = f_M(\alpha)$ .

In this paper we study totally projective *QTAG*-modules and the extensions of bounded *QTAG*-modules. In the first section we study totally projective modules  $M/N$  and  $M'/N'$  where  $N, N'$  are isomorphic nice submodules of  $M$  and  $M'$  respectively. In fact the height preserving isomorphism between nice submodules is extended to the isomorphism from  $M$  onto  $M'$  with the help of Ulm-Kaplansky invariants. In the second section extensions of the bounded *QTAG*-modules are studied. Here the invariants are automorphism classes of bounded submodules of the extending module together with the cardinality of the minimal generating set of maximal summand of the extension module. The equivalence of epimorphisms is the main tool in this study.

## An Introduction to Noncommutative Algebraic Geometry

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Since classification of low dimensional projective schemes has been active and successful in algebraic geometry for many years, one of the major projects in noncommutative algebraic geometry is to classify low dimensional noncommutative projective schemes defined by Artin and Zhang [4] (1994). In this talk, we will survey this project. Classification of noncommutative projective curves were completed by Artin and Stafford [2] (1995). For classification of noncommutative projective surfaces, we have the following conjecture due to Artin [1] (1997); every noncommutative projective surface is birationally equivalent to either (1) a quantum projective plane, (2) a quantum ruled surface, or (3) a surface finite over its center. Classification of quantum projective planes were completed by Artin, Tate and Van den Bergh [3] (1990), however, classification of other types of surfaces together with the above conjecture are still open.

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## Some congruences concerning finite groups

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In this talk, we present a lemma about orders of normal subgroups in a transitive group of prime degree. This lemma has an application to prove simplicity of the alternative group  $A_5$  of degree 5, and 4-transitive Mathieu groups  $M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{23}, M_{24}$ . Please use this lemma for your lecture to your students about group theory or Galois theory.

In the remaining time, if it is possible, I would like to propagandize Feit-Thompson conjecture because it is not so popular, to mathematician, even to finite group theorists and number theorists.

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# Hochschild Cohomology of Algebras with Stratifying Ideals

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## 1. LONG EXACT SEQUENCES

When studying Hochschild cohomology it is natural to try relating cohomology  $H(B)$  of a finite dimensional algebra  $B$  to  $H(A)$  of an 'easier' or 'smaller' algebra  $A$ . In the case that  $B$  is a one-point extension of  $A$ , by Happel [?], two long exact sequences with terms of  $H(B)$  and  $H(A)$  have been studied. Happel's long exact sequences have been generalized to triangular matrix algebras, for example by Michelena and Platzeck [5].

We would like to try generalizing these results. We consider the case that  $B$  has an ideal  $I$  which gives a fully faithful functor from derived category of  $B/I$  to that of  $B$ . Such an ideal is called a *stratifying* ideal by Cline, Parshall and Scott[2]. Heredity ideals are examples of stratifying ideals and any triangular matrix algebra has a stratifying ideal.

It is known that stratifying ideals are idempotent ideals, namely any stratifying ideal of  $B$  has the form of  $BeB$  for some idempotent  $e$  in  $B$ . By using of this idempotent  $e$ , we get the following two long exact sequences;

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, BeB) \rightarrow H^n(B) \rightarrow H^n(A) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{n+1}(B, BeB) \rightarrow \cdots, \text{ and}$$

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, BeB) \rightarrow H^n(B) \rightarrow H^n(A) \oplus H^n(eBe) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{n+1}(A, BeB) \rightarrow \cdots,$$

where  $A = B/BeB$  and  $B^e = B \otimes B^{op}$ .

## 2. NAKAYAMA ALGEBRAS

We apply the second long exact sequence above to Nakayama algebras. For any Nakayama algebra  $B$ , if  $B$  is not self-injective algebra, then  $B$  has a stratifying ideal  $BeB$  with  $B/BeB$  a ground field. Since  $eBe$  is also Nakayama algebra, if  $eBe$  is not self-injective, then  $eBe$  also has a stratifying ideal. So we can continue this reduction until the algebra is reduced into a self-injective algebra. Hochschild cohomology of self-injective Nakayama algebras have been studied by Erdmann and Holm [3], and also by Bardzell, Locateli and Marcos [1]. By using their results and the second long exact sequence above, we will compare the Hochschild cohomology of the Nakayama algebra  $B$  and that of a self-injective Nakayama algebra.

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# PRIMITIVITY OF GROUP RINGS OF EXTENSIONS OF FREE GROUPS

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## 1. ABSTRACT

Let  $G$  be a group, and let  $\varphi : G \rightarrow G$  be a monomorphism. The ascending HNN extension corresponding to  $\varphi$  is the group  $G_\varphi = \langle G, t | t^{-1}gt = \varphi(g) \rangle$ . Let  $n$  be a positive integer and  $G_m^n = \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \mid x_i^n, (x_i x_j)^n, 1 \leq i, j \leq m \rangle$ . A ring is (right) primitive if it has a faithful irreducible (right) module. Let  $F$  be a free group and  $K$  a field. Our purpose of this lecture is the study of primitivity of group rings  $KF_\varphi$  and  $KG_m^n$ .

If  $G \neq 1$  is a finite group or an abelian group, then the group ring  $KG$  can never be primitive. The first nontrivial example of primitive group ring was offered by Formanek and Snider [3] in 1972. After that, several examples which include a result for primitivity of group rings of free products of groups [2] were constructed. However, there is at present no viable conjecture as to when  $KG$  is primitive for arbitrary groups.

The ascending HNN extension  $G_\varphi$  of a group  $G$  is a well-studied class of groups. Recently, Borisov and Sapir, in their paper [1], have shown that the ascending HNN extension  $F_\varphi$  of a finitely generated free group  $F$  is residually finite (cf.[4]). Then by reduction method based on residual properties and on series in groups, we can see that  $KF_\varphi$  is semiprimitive if the characteristic of  $K$  is zero. One might therefore hope that  $KF_\varphi$  is semiprimitive for any field  $K$ . We showed that  $KF_\varphi$  is semiprimitive for all  $K$  even if the rank of  $F$  is countably infinite. In fact,  $KF_\varphi$  is primitive except the case with nontrivial center.

Now, let  $R_i$  ( $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) be the set of positive reduced words of length  $i$  in the free group  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle$ , and let  $B(m, n, i) = \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \mid w^n, w \in \cup_{k=0}^i R_k \rangle$ . Then  $B(m, n, 0)$  is simply a free group of rank  $m$ , and  $B(m, n, 1)$  a free product of cyclic groups of order  $n$ . It is known that these groups are residually finite, and that  $B(m, n, \infty)$ , which is called the  $m$ -generator free Burnside group of exponent  $n$ , is not residually finite for any sufficiently large  $n$ . It is also known that group rings  $KB(m, n, 0)$  and  $KB(m, n, 1)$  are primitive if  $m > 1$  and  $n > 2$ . We can show that  $G_m^n = B(m, n, 2)$  is an extension of a free group if  $n > 2$  and  $n \geq 2m - 3 > 0$ . As a consequence, in this case, it can be seen that  $G_m^n$  is residually finite, and that  $KG_m^n$  is primitive for any  $K$ .

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## Partial Skew Polynomial Rings and Jacobson Rings

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We consider rings  $R$  with a partial action  $\alpha$  of a cyclic infinite group  $G$  on  $R$ ,  $R[x; \alpha]$  the partial skew polynomial rings and  $R \langle x; \alpha \rangle$  the partial skew Laurent of polynomial. We generalized the well known results about Jacobson rings and strongly Jacobson rings in skew polynomial rings and skew Laurent of polynomial rings to partial skew polynomial rings and partial skew Laurent of polynomial rings.

## Computing the maximal algebra of quotients of a Lie algebra

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The theory of algebras of quotients of associative algebras has a rich history and is still an active research area. The notion of “being an algebra of quotients” has found recently parallels for Jordan systems (see e.g. [4, 1, 3]).

In [6] M. Siles Molina initiated the study of algebras of quotients of Lie algebras. She introduced the notion of a general (abstract) algebra of quotients of a Lie algebra, and also, as a special concrete example, the notion of the maximal algebra of quotients  $Q_m(L)$  of a semiprime Lie algebra  $L$ . In order to foresee the importance of this concept in the non-associative setting, F. Perera and M. Siles Molina undertook in [5] a study of the relationship between Lie and associative quotients. M. Cabrera and J. Sánchez Ortega have proved in [2] that similar results hold for the skew case.

Our main goal is to compute  $Q_m(L)$  for some Lie algebras  $L$ . Specifically, we are interested in Lie algebras of the form  $L = A^-/Z$ , where  $A^-$  is the Lie algebra associated to a prime associative algebra  $A$  and  $Z$  is the center of  $A$ , and in Lie algebras of the form  $L = K/Z_K$ , where  $K$  is the Lie algebra of skew elements of a prime associative algebra with involution and  $Z_K$  is its center. We also study natural questions, namely, whether  $Q_m(I)$ , where  $I$  is an essential ideal of a Lie algebra  $L$ , is equal to  $Q_m(L)$  and whether taking the maximal algebra of quotients is a closure operation, that is,  $Q_m(Q_m(L)) = Q_m(L)$ . We will be able to give a positive answer to the first question provided that  $L$  satisfies a certain condition. On the other hand, we will show that in some special situations the answer to the second question is positive, namely, if  $L$  is a simple Lie algebra or if  $L = A^-/Z$ , where  $A$  is either a simple algebra (satisfying a minor technical assumption) or an affine PI prime algebra (i.e. a finitely generated prime algebra which satisfies a polynomial identity). In general, however, it is not true.

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## Professor Harada — Person and Work

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I introduce “Person and Work” of Professor Manabu Harada by talking following:

### Person

- (1) University days at Osaka City University as a student of Professor Keizo Asano.
- (2) Professor days for almost 40s at Osaka City University.
- (3) After retired from Osaka City University.

### Research field

- (1) Hereditary order, hereditary noetherian prime rings.
- (2) Krull-Remak-Schmidt-Azumaya’s Theorem.
- (3) Non-small modules and non-cosmall modules.
- (4) Lifting property and extending property for modules.
- (5) Simple injective modules and mini-injective modules.
- (6) New artinian rings (H-rings), and its sense and applications.

## $\delta$ -M-SMALL and $\delta$ -HARADA MODULES

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In the early 1980s, Harada found a new class of Artinian rings, and Oshiro in [1] calls these rings *Harada rings* (briefly H-ring). Generalizing the concept of H-rings to module theory, Harada modules were introduced by Jayaraman and Vanaja in [2] by using the category  $\sigma[M]$ .

In this article, as a generalization of Harada modules,  $\delta$ -Harada modules are defined by using the concept of " $\delta$ -small submodules" of Zhou in [3]. Some properties of  $\delta$ -Harada modules are investigated and the following characterization of H-rings is also obtained.

**Theorem.** The following are equivalent for a ring  $R$ .

1.  $R$  is a right H-ring.
2.  $R$  is right Noetherian and every non- $\delta$ -small right  $R$ -module contains a non-zero injective submodule.
3.  $R$  is right Artinian and every non- $\delta$ -small right  $R$ -module contains a non-zero injective submodule.
4.  $R$  is right perfect and for any exact sequence of right  $R$ -modules  $P \xrightarrow{f} N \longrightarrow 0$  where  $N$  is injective and  $\text{Ker}(f)$  is  $\delta$ -small in  $P$ ,  $P$  is a direct sum of an injective module and a semisimple projective module.

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## Quasi-Baer Ring Hulls and Applications to $C^*$ -Algebras

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Recall that a ring with identity is called *quasi-Baer* if the right annihilator of each ideal is generated by an idempotent as a right ideal. In this talk, we discuss the existence of quasi-Baer ring hulls of semiprime rings and their applications to  $C^*$ -algebras. We consider connections between the concepts of boundedly centrally closed and quasi-Baer for the class of  $C^*$ -algebras. In particular, we characterize a  $C^*$ -algebra whose local multiplier algebra is a direct product of prime  $C^*$ -algebras. As a corollary, we characterize those  $C^*$ -algebras which satisfy a PI and have only finitely many minimal prime ideals (This is a joint work with Gary F. Birkenmeier and S. Tariq Rizvi).

## GENERALIZED DERIVATIONS IN PRIME RINGS

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Let  $R$  be an associative ring with center  $Z(R)$ . For each  $x, y \in R$  denote the commutator  $xy - yx$  by  $[x, y]$  and the anti-commutator  $xy + yx$  by  $x \circ y$ . Recall that a ring  $R$  is prime if for any  $a, b \in R$ ,  $aRb = \{0\}$  implies that  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . For any  $a, b \in R$  we set  $[a, b]_{\alpha, \beta} = a\alpha(b) - \beta(b)a$ . An additive function  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is called a generalized inner derivation if  $F(x) = ax + xb$  for fixed  $a, b \in R$ . For such a mapping  $F$ , it is easy to see that

$$F(xy) = F(x)y + x[y, b] = F(x)y + xI_b(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

This observation leads to the following definition, given in [Comm. Algebra 26(1998), 1149-1166]: an additive mapping  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is called a generalized derivation with associated derivation  $d$  if

$$F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Familiar examples of generalized derivations are derivations and generalized inner derivations. Since the sum of two generalized derivations is a generalized derivation, every map of the form  $F(x) = cx + d(x)$ , where  $c$  is fixed element of  $R$  and  $d$  is a derivation, is a generalized derivation; and if  $R$  has 1, all generalized derivations have this form.

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the endomorphisms of  $R$ . An additive map  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . An  $(1, 1)$ -derivation is called simply a derivation, where 1 is the identity map. For fixed  $a$ , the map  $d_a : R \rightarrow R$  given by  $d_a(x) = [a, x]_{\alpha, \beta}$  for all  $x \in R$  is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation which is said to be an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -inner derivation. An additive mapping  $F : R \rightarrow R$  will be called a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -inner derivation if  $F(x) = a\alpha(x) + \beta(x)b$  for some fixed  $a, b \in R$  and all  $x \in R$ . A simple computation yields that if  $F$  is a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -inner derivation, then we have for all  $x, y \in R$ ,  $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d_{-b}(y)$ , where  $d_{-b}$  is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -inner derivation. In this viewpoint, an additive map  $F : R \rightarrow R$  will be called generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation associated with  $d$  if there exists an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation  $d : R \rightarrow R$  such that

$$F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

An  $(1, 1)$ -generalized derivation is called simply a generalized derivation, where 1 is an identity map. In the present paper, we shall discuss the commutativity of prime rings admitting a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation  $F$  satisfying any one of the properties: (i)  $[F(x), x]_{\alpha, \beta} = 0$ , (ii)  $F([u, v]) = 0$ , (iii)  $F(u \circ v) = 0$ , (iv)  $F([x, y]) = [x, y]_{\alpha, \beta}$ , (v)  $F(xy) = \alpha(xy)$ , (vi)  $F(x \circ y) = (x \circ y)_{\alpha, \beta}$ , (vii)  $F(xy) - \alpha(xy) \in Z(R)$  and (viii)  $F(x)F(y) - \alpha(xy) \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y$  in some appropriate subset of  $R$ .

## The relevance and the ubiquity of Prüfer modules

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Let  $R$  be a ring. An  $R$ -module  $M$  will be said to be a Prüfer module provided there exists a locally nilpotent, surjective endomorphism of  $M$  which has kernel of finite length. In the lecture we want to outline the relevance, but also the ubiquity of Prüfer modules. Any Prüfer module which is not of finite type gives rise to a generic module, thus to infinite families of indecomposable modules with fixed endo-length (here we are in the setting of the second Brauer-Thrall conjecture). The aim of the lecture is to exhibit a construction procedure for Prüfer modules which yields a wealth of such modules.

**The work of Tachikawa on finite-dimensional algebras and their representations**

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The aim of the lecture is to outline some of the main contributions of Tachikawa to the representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras. We mainly will concentrate on the early years: on results concerning the classification of indecomposable modules, the importance of the dominant dimension and on the structure of selfinjective algebras and their generalisations (such as QF-1 and QF-3 algebras). Key topics will be the double centralizer condition (and Schur-Weyl duality), the repetitive algebras and trivial extensions as well as the various homological conjectures. Tachikawa's considerations had a lasting effect on the modern development of the representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras and we want to sketch in which way these results have been used, extended and transformed in recent years.

## On structure of rings of quotients

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**Abstract.** We introduce the notion of Johnson dimension ( $\text{jdim}$ ) of an  $S - R$  bimodule  $M$  where  $S$  and  $R$  are any rings. We use our methods to provide a characterization of an arbitrary ring  $R$  for which  $Q(R)$ , the maximal right ring of quotients of  $R$ , is a direct product of prime rings. This removes the condition of nonsingularity from a result of Jain, Lam and Leroy and generalizes it. As a consequence, we obtain a structure theorem for the idempotent closure  $RB(Q(R))$ , the subring of  $Q$  generated by  $R$  and the central idempotents of  $Q(R)$ . Some related results on dimensions of rings will be presented. (This is a joint work with Gary F. Birkenmeier and Jae K. Park.)

## ON DIRECT SUMS OF EXTENDING AND BAER MODULES

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Let  $R$  be a ring with unit, not necessarily commutative; all modules are considered to be right  $R$ -modules.

An open question, that has only received partial answers till to date, is to find necessary and sufficient conditions for a direct sum of extending modules to be extending. An extending  $R$ -module is one for which every submodule is essential in a direct summand. The concept generalizes those of injective and (quasi-) continuous modules. A closely related concept is that of a Baer Module. We define an  $R$ -module  $M$  to be Baer if, denoting by  $S = \text{End}_R(M)$  the ring of endomorphisms of  $M$ , the left annihilator in  $S$  of any submodule of  $M$  is a left ideal of  $S$  generated by an idempotent; equivalently, the right annihilator in  $M$  of any left ideal of  $S$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

Using this concept, we will present some newer developments which may provide an answer to the above question in some situations under the assumption of nonsingularity (and even under some weaker form of nonsingularity). Some applications of our results will be discussed (joint work with S.Tariq Rizvi).

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## ON DERIVATIONS IN NEAR RINGS

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Let  $N$  be a left near-ring. An additive mapping  $d : N \rightarrow N$  is said to be a derivation on  $N$  if  $d(xy) = xd(y) + d(x)y$  for all  $x, y \in N$ . An additive mapping  $d : N \rightarrow N$  is called a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation if there exist endomorphisms  $\sigma, \tau : N \rightarrow N$  such that  $d(xy) = \sigma(x)d(y) + d(x)\tau(y)$  for all  $x, y \in N$ .

There is an increasing body of evidence that prime near-rings with derivations have ring like behavior, indeed, there are several results, see for example; Bell[Kluwer Academic Publishers Netherlands (1997), 191-197], Beidar et.al[Comm. Algebra 24(5)(1996), 1581-1589], Wang[Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 121 (1994), 361-366] and Ashraf et. al[Arch. Math. 40(2004), 281-286] asserting that the existence of a suitably-constrained derivation on a prime near-ring forces the near-ring to be ring.

In this paper, our aim is to generalizes some results due to Wang [Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 121 (1994), 361-366] on near-rings admitting a special type of derivation namely  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation, where  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are endomorphisms of the near-ring.

## Characterizations of QF Rings

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Let  $R$  be a ring. A right ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is called small if for any proper right ideal  $K$  of  $R$ ,  $I + K \neq R$ .  $R$  is called right small injective if every homomorphism from a small right ideal of  $R$  to  $R_R$  can be extended to a homomorphism from  $R_R$  to  $R_R$ .  $R$  is called right  $\aleph_0$ -injective if every homomorphism from a countably generated right ideal of  $R$  to  $R_R$  can be extended to a homomorphism from  $R_R$  to  $R_R$ .

Some characterizations of QF rings are given by small injectivity, mininjectivity, simple injectivity and  $\aleph_0$ -injectivity. It is proved that:

- (1) If  $R$  is left and right mininjective, with *ACC* on right annihilators such that  $S_r \subseteq^{ess} R_R$ , then  $R$  is QF.
- (2) If  $R$  is right simple injective, with *ACC* on right annihilators such that  $S_r \subseteq^{ess} R_R$ , then  $R$  is QF.
- (3) If  $R$  is right small injective, with *ACC* on right annihilators such that  $S_r \subseteq^{ess} R_R$ , then  $R$  is QF.
- (4) If  $R$  is left perfect, left and right small injective, then  $R$  is QF.
- (5) If  $R$  is semilocal, right small injective and with *ACC* on right annihilators, then  $R$  is QF.
- (6) If  $R$  is right noetherian and left  $\aleph_0$ -injective, then  $R$  is QF.

## A Note on The Finitistic Dimension Conjecture

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For a large class of rings  $R$ , we first observe some relationships between the  $R$ -projective and respectively  $eRe$ -projective resolutions, where  $e$  is certain well-chosen idempotent of  $R$ , and then use the observations to draw some relations between the finitistic dimensions of the two rings. The results are then applied to relations algebras in an effort to offer some insight into the nature of the finitistic dimension conjecture for this special and important class of algebras.

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Algebras of quotients of Leavitt path algebras

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Leavitt path algebras of row-finite graphs have attracted a good deal of attention recently. Although their origin can be traced back to the pioneering work of Leavitt in his quest for finding universal rings failing to satisfy the IBN property (see [?]:SILES), they have only come to life as such in recent years (see, e.g. [1], and [4]). Speaking informally, a Leavitt path algebra is a graph  $K$ -algebra over a field  $K$  together with two naturally occurring relations, known as the *Cuntz-Krieger relations*. This terminology evolves from the construction due to Cuntz and Krieger of algebras defined out of finite  $\{0, 1\}$ -matrices towards the so-called graph  $C^*$ -algebras (see [9]).

As with their analytic relatives, Leavitt path algebras provide a source of examples of rings whose algebraic structure is determined by highly visual properties of the underlying graph (see [7]). For example, conditions on the graph allow us to decide when the corresponding Leavitt path algebra is simple [1], purely infinite simple [2], exchange [6], finite-dimensional [3]. Some of the graph conditions parallel the corresponding structural properties that one encounters in  $C^*$ -algebras (notably simplicity and the exchange property), but the routes towards the proofs are in general quite different.

A whole range of examples of algebras arise as Leavitt path algebras. Besides the (now already) classical examples investigated by Leavitt, we also find algebraic analogues of the Toeplitz algebra (which will be described here), arbitrary matrices over the Laurent polynomial ring  $K[x, x^{-1}]$  over a field  $K$ , and, up to Morita equivalence, all  $K$ -ultramatrix algebras (i.e. countable direct limits of  $K$ -matrix algebras).

In this talk we will start by showing that the Leavitt path algebra of a (row-finite) graph is an algebra of quotients of the corresponding path algebra. The path algebra is semiprime if and only if whenever there is a path connecting two vertices, there is another one in the opposite direction. Semiprimeness is studied because, for acyclic graphs, the Leavitt path algebra is a Fountain-Gould algebra of right quotients of any semiprime subalgebra containing the path algebra (and a Moore-Penrose algebra of right quotients of any subalgebra with involution that contains the path algebra). The maximal algebras of quotients of Leavitt path algebras with essential socle (equivalently the associated graph satisfies that every vertex connects to a line point) can be obtained.

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## Ascending Chain Conditions in Groups, Rings and Modules

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The chain conditions in question are of the following type: given a positive integer  $n$ , an algebraic object satisfies the ascending chain condition on  $n$ -generated subobjects. For example, every free group satisfies the ascending chain condition on  $n$ -generated subgroups, for every positive integer  $n$ . If  $R$  is a right Noetherian ring then sometimes every free right  $R$ -module satisfies the ascending chain condition on  $n$ -generated submodules, for every positive integer  $n$ , but sometimes this does not happen.

## On contravariantly finite subcategories of finitely generated modules

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The notion of a contravariantly finite subcategory, which is also called a (pre)covering class, was first introduced over artin algebras by Auslander and Smalø [4] in connection with studying the problem of which subcategories admit almost split sequences. The notion of a resolving subcategory was introduced by Auslander and Bridger [1] in the study of modules of G-dimension zero, which are now also called totally reflexive modules. Auslander and Reiten [3] proved that the notion of a contravariantly finite resolving subcategory is closely related to tilting theory. There is also an application of contravariantly finite resolving subcategories to the study of the finitistic dimension conjecture.

In this talk, we will study contravariantly finite resolving subcategories over commutative rings. Let  $R$  be a commutative noetherian henselian (e.g. complete) local ring. (Note that any commutative artinian local ring is complete, hence henselian.) We denote by  $\text{mod } R$  the category of finitely generated  $R$ -modules, by  $\mathcal{F}(R)$  the subcategory of free  $R$ -modules, by  $\mathcal{C}(R)$  the subcategory of maximal Cohen-Macaulay  $R$ -modules, and by  $\mathcal{G}(R)$  the subcategory of totally reflexive  $R$ -modules. The subcategory  $\mathcal{F}(R)$  is always a contravariantly finite resolving subcategory, and so is  $\mathcal{C}(R)$  provided that  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay. The latter fact is known as the Cohen-Macaulay approximation theorem, which was proved by Auslander and Buchweitz [?]. The subcategory  $\mathcal{G}(R)$  is always resolving, and coincides with  $\mathcal{C}(R)$  if  $R$  is Gorenstein.

The main result of this talk is the following.

**Theorem 1.** *If  $R$  is Gorenstein, then all the contravariantly finite resolving subcategories of  $\text{mod } R$  are  $\mathcal{F}(R)$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(R)$  and  $\text{mod } R$ .*

Actually we can prove several more general results than the above theorem. One of them yields another proof of the following theorem, which is the main result of [5].

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose that there is a nonfree  $R$ -module in  $\mathcal{G}(R)$ . If  $\mathcal{G}(R)$  is contravariantly finite in  $\text{mod } R$ , then  $R$  is Gorenstein.*

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## Finitely generated modules over non-commutative valuation rings

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Finitely generated modules over commutative valuation rings have been investigated since 1980's (see [1]). We will report some results about finitely generated modules over non-commutative valuation rings.

A subring  $R$  of a division ring  $D$  is said to be a *total valuation ring* if, for any non-zero element  $d$  of  $D$ , we have  $d \in R$  or  $d^{-1} \in R$ . Furthermore, if  $dRd^{-1} = R$  holds for any non-zero element  $d$  of  $D$ , then  $R$  is called an *invariant valuation ring*.

An  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of a left  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be *relatively divisible* (an *RD-module* for short) if  $aN = N \cap aM$  for any  $a \in M$ .

Then we have the following results:

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $R$  be an invariant valuation ring and let  $M$  be a finitely generated left  $R$ -module. Then there exists a sequence*

$$0 = M_0 \subset M_1 \subset \cdots \subset M_n = M$$

*of  $R$ -submodules of  $M$  such that*

- (1) *each  $M_i$  is an RD-submodule of  $M$ , and*
- (2)  *$M_i/M_{i-1}$  is cyclic ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ).*

The sequence in Proposition 1 is called an *RD-composition series* of  $M$ .

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $R$  be an invariant valuation ring. Then any two RD-composition series of a finitely generated left  $R$ -module  $M$  is isomorphic and the length of RD-composition series of  $M$  is equal to the number of minimal generators of  $M$ .*

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## skew-matrix ring and applications to QF-ring

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In this talk, we discuss a skew-matrix ring which is introduced by Kupisch and Oshiro through the study on Nakayama rings. As applications of these rings, we show several results on QF-rings as follows:

- (1) Let  $R$  be a skew-matrix ring over a local QF-ring  $Q$ ;

$$R \simeq \begin{pmatrix} Q & \cdots & Q \\ & \cdots & \\ Q & \cdots & Q \end{pmatrix}_{\sigma, c, n}$$

with  $c \in J(Q), \sigma \in \text{Aut}(Q)$ . Then  $R$  is a QF-ring with non-identity cyclic Nakayama permutation.

- (2) Let  $R$  be a basic indecomposable artinian ring  $R$  is said to be a strongly QF-ring if and only if  $eRe$  is QF for any  $e = e^2 \in R$ . Following are equivalent:

- (a)  $R$  is a strongly QF-ring  
(b)  $R$  is a QF-ring with identity Nakayama permutation or  $R$  is represented as a skew-matrix ring  $(Q)_{\sigma, c, n}$  over a local QF-ring with  $c \in J(Q)$ .

- (3) For a given permutation  $\xi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ p_1 & p_2 & \cdots & p_n \end{pmatrix}$ , there is a basic indecomposable QF-ring  $R = e_1R \oplus \cdots \oplus e_nR$  with a Nakayama permutation  $\begin{pmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & \cdots & e_n \\ e_{p_1} & e_{p_2} & \cdots & e_{p_n} \end{pmatrix}$  where  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is a complete set of orthogonal primitive idempotents.

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## Extending Ring Derivations to Rings and Modules of Quotients first line

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Recall that a *derivation* on a ring  $R$  is an additive mapping  $\delta : R \rightarrow R$  with  $\delta(rs) = \delta(r)s + r\delta(s)$  for all  $r, s \in R$ . An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  on a right  $R$ -module  $M$  is a  $\delta$ -*derivation* if  $d(xr) = d(x)r + x\delta(r)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $r \in R$ . As these concepts are not intrinsically ring theoretic notions, it is of interest to study how they agree with the concepts that are intrinsically ring theoretic. Specifically, continuing the study from [1], [2], and [3], we study how derivations agree with hereditary torsion theories. In [1], a torsion theory is said to be *differential* if  $d(\mathcal{T}(M))$  is in the torsion submodule  $\mathcal{T}(M)$  for every module  $M$  and every derivation  $d$ . Equivalently, a torsion theory is differential if every derivation on a module extends uniquely to a derivation on its module of quotients.

In this talk, we review some results from [3] and continue the study of extensions of derivations to rings and modules of quotients. Firstly, we demonstrate that every perfect torsion theory for a ring  $R$  is differential. Perfect torsion theories are those in which the module of quotients  $M_{\mathfrak{F}}$  of every module  $M$  is isomorphic to the tensor product  $M \otimes_R R_{\mathfrak{F}}$  where  $R_{\mathfrak{F}}$  is the right ring of quotients. Thus, every module of quotients is determined solely by the right ring of quotients. Since the classical torsion theory of a right Ore ring has this property, a perfect torsion theory is a way to generalize the classical torsion theory in cases when the ring might not be right Ore. We prove that a perfect torsion theory is differential and give an explicit construction of the extension of a derivation from a right  $R$ -module  $M$  to the module of quotients  $M_{\mathfrak{F}}$ . Secondly, we prove that the Lambek and Goldie torsion theories for any ring are differential. Lastly, we address the following question: assuming that a ring derivation can be extended to a ring of quotients  $Q_1$  contained in another ring of quotients  $Q_2$ , when can a derivation on  $Q_1$  be extended to  $Q_2$ ? In the cases when it can, we say that the extensions *agree*. More generally, we consider the following question: when does a derivation on module of quotients extends to the module of quotients with respect to a larger torsion theory? We prove that such extension is possible if both torsion theories are differential or if the smaller is differential and the module of quotients with respect to the smaller torsion theory is torsion-free in the larger torsion theory. We derive some corollaries of this results. In particular, we prove that the extensions on the maximal right ring of quotients, the classical right ring of quotients, the ring of quotients with respect to the Goldie torsion theory, and the total right ring of quotients (the largest perfect right ring of quotients) all agree.

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## Construct bi-Frobenius algebras via quivers

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Using quiver technique, we construct a class of (non)graded bi-Frobenius algebras. In particular, this kind of bi-Frobenius algebras are not Hopf algebras. We also classify a class of graded bi-Frobenius algebras via certain equations of structure coefficients.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Typical Frobenius algebras are finite group algebras. In general, a finite-dimensional Hopf algebra is a Frobenius algebra (see Larson and Sweedler [LS], or 2.1.3 in Montgomery [M]). Relations of the Frobenius algebras with the Yang-Baxter equations and with the topological quantum field theory can be founded in [Kad] and [A], respectively. As a natural generalization of finite-dimensional Hopf algebras, the concept of a bi-Frobenius algebra was introduced by Doi and Takeuchi [DT] (see also [Kop]). Roughly speaking, this is a Frobenius algebra as well as a Frobenius coalgebra together with an antipode. Except for an example given in 2.5 in [DT], there are few explicit constructions of bi-Frobenius algebras which are not finite-dimensional Hopf algebras. The aim of this note is to provide such an explicit construction via quivers.

Motivations of our construction is the quiver method in the representation theory of algebras, see Ringel [R], coalgebra structure on quivers considered by Chin and Montgomery [CM], and constructing Hopf quiver and quiver quantum groups by Cibils and Rosso [C], [CR], and E. Green and Solberg [GS], etc.

We start from the algebra  $\mathbb{K}Z_n/J^d$ , where  $\mathbb{K}Z_n$  is the path algebra of the basic cycle with  $n$  vertices and  $J$  is the ideal generated by arrows with  $d \geq 2$  an integer. This is an augmented Frobenius algebra, and it is a symmetric if and only if  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  (see Theorem 2.3 below). Endowed with a suitable Frobenius coalgebra structure, this Frobenius algebra becomes a bi-Frobenius algebra, which is not a Hopf algebra (see Theorem 3.3).

The authors thank the referee for pointing out the reference [D]. By Lemma 1.2 in [D], one can prove the both Frobeniusness of  $\mathbb{K}Z_n/J^d$  by showing that it has a bijective bi-Frobenius antipode. So we leave the proof of the Frobeniusness of algebra (see Lemma 2.1 (ii)) and of coalgebra (see Lemma 3.2) to Theorem 3.3.

Throughout let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field. All algebras and coalgebras are over  $\mathbb{K}$ . The notations  $\text{Hom}$  and  $\otimes$  are over  $\mathbb{K}$ .

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## The Fundamental Theorems of Entwined Modules

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Let  $\langle C, \Delta, \varepsilon \rangle$  be a coalgebra,  $\langle A, \mu, \eta \rangle$  an algebra and a  $k$ -linear map  $\psi : C \otimes A \rightarrow A \otimes C$  such that  $\psi(C \otimes \mu) = (\mu \otimes C)(A \otimes \psi)(\psi \otimes A)$ ,  $(A \otimes \Delta)\psi = (\psi \otimes C)(C \otimes \psi)(\Delta \otimes A)$ ,  $\psi(C \otimes \eta) = \eta \otimes C$ ,  $(A \otimes \varepsilon)\psi = \varepsilon \otimes A$ . Then  $C$  and  $A$  are said to be entwined by  $\psi$  and the triple  $(A, C, \psi)$  is called an entwining structure, denoted by  $(A, C)_\psi$ . Let  $\mathbf{M}_A^C(\psi)$  be the category of right entwined modules such that  $A \in \mathbf{M}_A^C(\psi)$  with the action  $a \triangleleft b = ab$  and the coaction  $\rho^A(a) = a_0 \otimes a_1$ . For any  $M \in \mathbf{M}_A^C(\psi)$ , set  $M^{\text{co}C} = \{m \in M \mid \rho^M(m \triangleleft a) = m_0 \triangleleft a_\alpha \otimes m_1^\alpha = m \triangleleft a_0 \otimes a_1, \forall a \in A\}$ . The main result is the theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(A, C)_\psi$  be an entwining structure. If there exists a right  $C$ -comodule map  $\phi : C \rightarrow A$ , which is convolution invertible, then for any right entwined module  $M \in \mathbf{M}_A^C(\psi)$ ,*

$$(1) \quad \Theta : M^{\text{co}C} \otimes_B A \rightarrow M, \quad m \otimes a \mapsto m \triangleleft a$$

*is an isomorphism of entwined modules.*

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## Derived Categories over Auslander-Gorenstein Rings

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In late sixties of last century, M. Auslander introduced various homological conditions on noetherian rings, which turned out very important in non-commutative ring theory. Our main object in this talk is Auslander-Gorenstein rings, which can be viewed as a non-commutative analogue of commutative local Gorenstein rings and as a generalization of quasi-Frobenius rings. Besides some well-known examples such as rings of differential operators (Weyl algebras) and universal enveloping algebras of finite dimensional Lie algebras, non-commutative Iwasawa algebras over compact  $p$ -adic Lie groups ([5]) and noetherian PI Hopf algebras (quantum groups)([7]) are Auslander-Gorenstein.

Let  $A\text{-Mod}$  stand for the category of left  $A$ -modules, and  $A\text{-mod}$  for the full subcategory of finitely generated left  $A$ -modules. Also, we denote by  $A^{op}\text{-Mod}$  and  $A^{op}\text{-mod}$  their right analogues.

If  $A$  is a Frobenius algebra, or more generally, a quasi-Frobenius ring, it is well known that the pair of the exact contravariant functors

$$F = \text{Hom}_A(-, {}_A A) : A\text{-mod} \rightarrow A^{op}\text{-mod} \quad \text{and} \quad G = \text{Hom}_A(-, A_A) : A^{op}\text{-mod} \rightarrow A\text{-mod}$$

gives a duality between  $A\text{-mod}$  and  $A^{op}\text{-mod}$ .

This duality was generalized to a so called step-duality for an Auslander-Gorenstein ring with injective dimension  $d$  in [1]. In the talk, we will define the grade for bounded complexes in  $D_{fg}^b(A\text{-Mod})$ . Using the generalized Ischebeck spectral sequence, we will give a step-duality between certain subcategories of  $D_{fg}^b(A\text{-Mod})$  and  $D_{fg}^b(A^{op}\text{-Mod})$  when  $A$  is an Auslander-Gorenstein ring. The step-duality in [1] between  $A\text{-mod}$  and  $A^{op}\text{-mod}$  can be induced from the one between  $D_{fg}^b(A\text{-Mod})$  and  $D_{fg}^b(A^{op}\text{-Mod})$  by using the heart of the t-structures of triangulated categories ([3]).

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## On lifting of idempotents in the endomorphism ring of a module

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Let  $M$  be a module over a ring with an identity. In the case when  $M$  is quasi-injective, by a classical theorem of Faith – Utsumi, Lambek and Johnson, the endomorphism ring  $H$  of  $M$  has the following properties:

- (1) an idempotent of  $H \operatorname{Rad} H$  can be lifted to  $H$ ,
- (2)  $H \operatorname{Rad} H$  is a (von Neumann) regular ring.

Moreover, in this case,  $\operatorname{Rad} H$  coincides with the ideal  $L(H)$  of endomorphisms with large kernel. Thus, in this talk, we consider the problem: do the properties (1)(2) essentially depend on the Jacobson radical or the ideal  $L(M)$ ? As an application, it will be shown a class of modules  $M$  with the properties with respect to  $L(M)$  but not  $\operatorname{Rad} H$ .

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## CLEAN RINGS AND RELATED CLASSES OF RINGS

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Let  $R$  be a ring with identity. An element in  $R$  is said to be clean if it is the sum of a unit and an idempotent. If this representation is unique, then the element is said to be uniquely clean.  $R$  is said to be clean (uniquely clean) if all its elements are clean (uniquely clean). In this talk, we discuss some characteristics of clean rings and related rings as well as relations between these rings. We also present some results on group rings whose nontrivial homomorphic images are uniquely clean.

# On Simple Connectedness of Minimal Representation-Infinite Algebras

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**Abstract:** Let  $A$  be a connected minimal representation-infinite algebra over an algebraically closed field  $k$ , in this article we investigate the simple connectedness and strongly simple connectedness of the algebra  $A$ , we obtained that  $A$  is simply connected if and only if its first Hochschild cohomology group  $H^1(A)$  is trivial. We also give other equivalent conditions for simple connectedness of  $A$ . Finally, we give a condition for strongly simple connectedness of the algebra  $A$ .

Our main results are as follows.

**Theorem 2.1** Suppose that an algebra  $A$  is minimal representation-infinite with a preprojective component, then  $A$  is simply connected if and only if  $H^1(A) = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.2** Suppose that  $A$  is a minimal representation-infinite connected algebra,  $e$  is a primitive idempotent in  $A$ , If  $H^1(A) = 0$ , then  $H^1(A/AeA) = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.3** If  $A$  is a minimal representation-infinite connected algebra, then  $A$  is simply connected if and only if  $H^1(A) = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $A$  be a minimal representation-infinite algebra, then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (a)  $A$  is simply connected;
- (b)  $A$  is triangular, moreover, there exists one presentation  $A \cong kQ_A/I_A$  such that each irreducible cycle in  $Q_A$  is an irreducible contour, and for each irreducible contour  $(p, q)$ , we have  $p, q \notin I_A$  and  $p - \lambda q \in I_A$  for some nonzero  $\lambda \in k$ .
- (c)  $A$  is triangular, and for any presentation  $A \cong kQ_A/I_A$  all irreducible cycles in  $Q_A$  are irreducible contours, and, for each irreducible contour  $(p, q)$  we have  $p, q \notin I_A$  and  $p - \lambda q \in I_A$  for some nonzero  $\lambda \in k$ .

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $A$  be a minimal representation-infinite simply connected algebra, then  $A$  is strongly simply connected if and only if  $A/Ae_xA$  is strongly simply connected for each source or sink  $x$  in  $Q_A$  where  $(Q_A, I_A)$  is any presentation of  $A$  and  $e_x$  is a primitive idempotent corresponding to  $x$ .

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## LOCAL QF RINGS WITH RADICAL CUBED ZERO II

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For a given (not necessarily commutative) field  $k$ , how can we construct local quasi-Frobenius (QF) rings  $\Lambda$  satisfying the condition

$$(*) \quad \Lambda/\text{Rad } \Lambda \cong k \quad \text{and} \quad (\text{Rad } \Lambda)^3 = 0?$$

Local QF rings  $\Lambda$  with  $(*)$  which are algebras over a commutative field  $k$  can be constructed by factor algebras of free algebras over  $k$  and the  $k$ -isomorphism classes of those algebras can be determined under some condition ([1]), but the situation in case  $\Lambda$  are not algebras over a commutative field is considerably complicated. In this talk, for a given field  $k$ , we give a construction of local QF rings  $\Lambda$  with  $(*)$  of split type (i.e.,  $\Lambda \cap \text{Rad } \Lambda = 0$ ) and consider the number of isomorphism classes of those local QF rings.

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## Pushout Artin-Schelter Regular algebras of Global Dimension Four

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Abstract: in general  $k$  algebra pushouts of AS-regular algebras are not regular. We notice that with some restrictions, if two quadratic regular 3 dimensional algebras  $A$  and  $B$  both contain the same cubic regular 3 dimensional algebras  $C$ , then the  $k$  algebra pushout of  $A$  and  $B$  over  $C$  is a quadratic regular algebra of global dimension 4. Under our restrictions, we give a description of all such pushout algebras.

## Professor Liu Shaoxue — Life and work

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Professor's textbook book 'Rings and Algebras' published in 1983 for the graduated students is widely used in China.

During a visit to Tsukuba University in 1988, Professor Liu and Professor H.Tachikawa suggested to hold the China-Japan international Symposium on ring theory, and the first Symposium was held in Guangxi of China.

Professor Liu decided to change the research project to the representation theory of algebras for his Ph.D students at the age of 56. Because of his personality of kindness and humorous, he makes a lot of good friends. Many foreign experts, especially Claus Ringel, gave great helps to establish a research group of representation theory of algebras in China. Now most of Liu's students are working in several best Universities of China as Professors. Since the efforts in the education of graduated students, Professor Liu won an award for excellent teaching of Beijing City in 1991.

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## **A study on gamma nearrings with derivations**

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### **Abstract**

In this talk, we first discuss how close the gamma nearrings are to gamma rings and then generalize results from gamma rings to gamma nearring with suitable constraints on gamma rings. Secondly, we introduce the notion of Gamma (a,b)-derivation on prime and semi prime gamma rings as well as gamma prime and semi prime nearring and to obtain some related results using derivations and generalized derivations on prime and semi prime gamma nearring. At last, we close our discussion with some open problems.

## Classification of Element Systems over Finite Commutative Groups

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Classification of Hopf algebras was developed and popularized in the last decade of the twentieth century, which would have applications to a number of other areas of mathematics, aside from its intrinsic algebraic interest. In mathematical physics, Drinfeld's and Jimbo's work was to provide solutions to quantum Yang-Baxter equation. In conformal field theory, I. Frenkel and Y. Zhu have shown how to assign a Hopf algebra to any conformal field theory model[8]. In topology, quasi-triangular and ribbon Hopf algebras provide many invariants of knots, links, tangles and 3-manifolds[9, 10, 12, 13]. In operator algebras, Hopf algebras can be assigned as an invariant for certain extensions.

Researches on the classification of Hopf algebra is in the ascendant. N. Andruskiewitsch and H. J. Schneider have obtained interesting result in classification of finite-dimensional pointed Hopf algebras with commutative coradical [1, 2, 3, 4]. More recently, they have also researched this problem in case of non-commutative coradical. Pavel Etingof and Shlomo Gelaki gave the complete and explicit classification of finite-dimensional triangular Hopf algebras over an algebraically closed field  $k$  of characteristic 0 [7]. The classification of monomial Hopf algebras, which are a class of co-path Hopf algebras, and simple-pointed sub-Hopf algebras of co-path Hopf algebras were recently obtained in [6] and [11], respectively.

Assume that  $k$  is an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero with a primitive  $|G|$ th root of 1 and  $G$  is a finite abelian group. Element systems with characters can be applied to classify quiver Hopf algebras, multiple Taft algebras over  $G$  and Nichols algebras in  ${}_{FG}^G\mathcal{YD}$  (see [15, Theorem 3, Theorem 4]). In this paper, we obtained the formula computing the number of isomorphic classes of element systems with characters over finite commutative group  $G$ .

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## Auslander-Reiten conjecture on Gorenstein rings

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Auslander and Reiten conjectured the generalized Nakayama conjecture (GNC) in [1]

**(GNC)** For an Artin algebra  $\Lambda$ , every indecomposable injective  $\Lambda$ -module appears as a direct summand in the minimal injective resolution of  $\Lambda$ .

They showed that (GNC) is equivalent to the following;

For an Artin algebra  $\Lambda$ , if  $M$  is a finitely generated  $\Lambda$ -module and  $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda}^i(M, M \oplus \Lambda) = 0$  ( $\forall i > 0$ ), then  $M$  is projective.

M. Auslander, S. Ding, and Ø. Solberg widened the context to algebras over commutative local rings [2].

**(ARC)** For a commutative Noetherian local ring  $R$ , if  $M$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module and  $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M \oplus R) = 0$  ( $\forall i > 0$ ), then  $M$  is projective.

They showed in [2] that if  $R$  is a complete intersection, then  $R$  satisfies (ARC). The main theorem of this lecture is following;

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $R$  be a Gorenstein ring whose Krull-dimension  $d$  is at least 2. If  $R_p$  satisfies (ARC) for all  $p \in \text{Spec}R$  with  $\text{ht } p \leq 1$ , then  $R$  satisfies (ARC).*

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## On Colocal Pairs

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In [1] K. R. Fuller characterized indecomposable injective projective modules over artinian rings using  $i$ -pairs. In [2] the Fuller's theorems were generalized to indecomposable projective quasi-injective modules and indecomposable quasi-projective injective modules over artinian rings. And in [3] the Fuller's theorems were studied minutely. Further in [4], [5] M. Hoshino and T. Sumioka extended these results to perfect rings. In my talk, we studied the results in [2] from the point of view of [3], [4].

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### Approximations of algebras

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Expanding the idea of standardization introduced by Dlab–Ringel earlier, Ágoston–Dlab–Lukács have introduced two operators,  $\Sigma$  and  $\Omega$ , acting on all finite dimensional associative algebras. These operators define the  $\Delta$ - and  $\bar{\Delta}$ -equivalences whose equivalence classes are in bijection with the standardly stratified algebras, and partition all algebras into rooted trees of finite length labelled by properly stratified algebras. The linear representations of the semigroups  $athcalS_n = \langle a, b \mid a^2 = a, b^2 = b, (ab)^{n-1}a = (ab)^{n-1} \rangle$  acting via  $\Sigma$  and  $\Omega$  on the algebras with  $n$  irreducible representations can be fully described: There are just  $2(2n - 1)$  indecomposable representations of  $\mathcal{S}_n$  and all are uniserial.