

# **A remark on graded countable Cohen-Macaulay representation type**

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# Introduction

Throughout the talk,  $k$  is an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $0$  and  $R = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} R_i$  is a (commutative) positively graded affine  $k$ -algebra with  $R_0 = k$  and  $R_+ = \bigoplus_{i>0} R_i$

- Take a graded Noetherian normalization  $S$  of  $R$ . That is,  $S = k[y_1, \dots, y_n] \subseteq R$  where  $n = \dim R$  such that  $R$  is a finitely generated graded  $S$ -module.

## Definition 1

A finitely generated graded  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be maximal Cohen-Macaulay (MCM) if  $M$  is graded free as an  $S$ -module. In other words,

$$M \cong S \otimes_k V$$

for some finite dimensional graded  $k$ -module  $V$ .

Today, we focus on a graded CM algebra of graded countable CM representation type.

## Definition 2

We say that  $R$  is of graded “countable” CM representation type if there are infinitely but only countably many isomorphism classes of indecomposable graded MCM modules up to shift.

### Definition 3 (Drozd and Tovpyha 2014)

We say that  $R$  is of graded “discrete” CM representation type if, for any fixed  $r > 0$ , there are only finitely many isomorphism classes of graded MCM modules with rank  $r$  up to shift. Here the rank is taken over  $S$ .

### Remark.

One can show that if  $R$  is of discrete CM representation type then  $R$  is of countable CM representation type. Because there is only a countable set of graded MCM  $R$ -modules up to isomorphism if  $R$  is of discrete. The converse does not hold in general.

### Example 4

Let  $R = k[x, y]/(x^2)$  with  $\deg x = \deg y = 1$ . Then  $R$  is of graded countable CM representation type whose indecomposable MCM  $R$ -modules are  $I_n = (x, y^n)R$  for  $n \geq 0$  up to shift. Note that  $\text{rank}_S I_n = 2$  (since  $I_n \cong S(-1) \oplus S(-n)$  where  $S = k[y]$ ). But  $I_n \not\cong I_m$  if  $n \neq m$ , so that  $R$  is not of discrete.

Our motivation of this study is to give the condition that the CM algebras of graded countable CM representation type is of graded discrete representation type.

### Main result

Let  $R$  be of graded countable CM representation type. Suppose that  $R$  is with an isolated singularity. Then  $R$  is of graded discrete CM representation type.

### Definition 5

We say that  $R$  is with an isolated singularity if each graded localization  $R_{(\mathfrak{p})}$  is regular for each graded prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  with  $\mathfrak{p} \neq R_+$ .

## A variety of graded MCM modules

- Given a graded MCM  $R$ -module  $M$ , since  $M \cong S \otimes_k V$ , there exists a “degree 0” graded  $S$ -algebra homomorphism;

$$\exists \alpha \in \mathbf{Hom}_S(R, \mathbf{End}_S(S \otimes_k V))_0.$$

- Remark that

$$\mathbf{Rep}_S(R, V)(k) := \mathbf{Hom}_S(R, \mathbf{End}_S(S \otimes_k V))_0$$

is an algebraic variety over  $k$ .

### Example 6

Let  $R = k[x, y]/(x^2)$  with  $\deg x = \deg y = 1$ . Then  $S = k[y]$  is a graded Noetherian normalization of  $R$ . Set  $V = V_0 \oplus V_1$  where  $V_0 = V_1 = k$ . Then giving a graded  $S$ -homomorphism  $\alpha \in \text{Rep}_S(R, V)(k)$  (i.e. giving a graded MCM  $R$ -module which is isomorphic to  $S \otimes_k V = S \oplus S(-1)$ ) is equivalent to giving a  $\mu_\alpha \in \text{End}_S(S \otimes_k V)_1$  with  $\mu_\alpha^2 = 0$ . Note that

$$\text{End}_S(S \otimes_k V)_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} ay & by^2 \\ c & dy \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in k \right\}$$

Hence one can show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Rep}_S(R, V)(k) \\ &= \text{Hom}_{k\text{-alg}} \left( \frac{k[a, b, c, d]}{(a^2 + bc, ab + bd, ac + bc, bc + d^2)}, k \right). \end{aligned}$$

- The algebraic group  $\mathbf{G}_V = \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{S} \otimes_k \mathbf{V})_0$  acts on  $\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})(k)$  by conjugation.
- There exists 1-1 correspondence;

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \mathbf{G}_V\text{-orbits in } \text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})(k) \} \\ & \xleftrightarrow{1-1} \{ M \mid M \cong \mathbf{S} \otimes_k \mathbf{V} \text{ as graded } \mathbf{S}\text{-modules} \} / \cong \end{aligned}$$

- Note that  $\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})(k)$  parameterizes graded MCM  $\mathbf{R}$ -modules with fixed Hilbert series.

### Remark 1 (Dao-Shipman 2014)

The notion  $\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})(k)$  is introduced by [Dao-Shipman] in 2014. More precisely they define the functor

$$\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V}) : (\text{Commutative } k\text{-algebras}) \rightarrow (\text{Sets}).$$

They also show that  $\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})$  is represented by an affine variety of finite type.



# Main theorem

## Lemma 7

Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n(\mathbf{k})$  be an algebraic set and let  $X_i \subsetneq X$  be closed subsets with  $\dim X_i < \dim X$ . Then  $X$  can be never represented by a countable union of  $X_i$ .

$$X \neq \bigcup_{i \geq 1} X_i.$$

## Theorem 8

Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n(\mathbf{k})$  be an algebraic set. Suppose that  $X = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} Y_i$  where  $Y_i$  are locally closed and  $Y_i \cap Y_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ . Then

$$X = \bigcup_{i \geq 1}^{finite} Y_i.$$

## Sketch of proof of Theorem 8.

### Proof.

- $X = X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_m$  : An irreducible decomposition.
- Then  $X_k = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} (X_k \cap Y_i)$ . Note that  $X_k \cap Y_i$  are locally closed.
- By the lemma, there exists  $i$  such that  $\dim X_k = \dim X_k \cap Y_i$ , so that  $X_k = \overline{X_k \cap Y_i}$ .
- Since  $X_k \cap Y_i$  is open in  $\overline{X_k \cap Y_i} = X_k$ ,

$$X'_k := X_k \setminus (X_k \cap Y_i)$$

is closed and  $\dim X'_k < \dim X_k$ .

- Continuing this procedure, we obtain the result.



## Remark 2

Let  $\mathbf{X}$  be a  $\mathbf{G}$ -variety. Namely  $\mathbf{X}$  is a variety equipped with an action of the group  $\mathbf{G}$ . For  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{x})$  the  $\mathbf{G}$ -orbit of  $\mathbf{x}$ . Then

- $\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{x})$  is locally closed.
- $\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{y}) \Leftrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{x})} = \overline{\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{y})}$  for  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{X}$ .

## Corollary 9

*Let  $\mathbf{R}$  be a graded countable CM representation type. For each finite dimensional graded  $\mathbf{k}$ -vector space  $\mathbf{V}$ , there are finitely many isomorphism classes of graded MCM  $\mathbf{R}$ -modules which are isomorphic to  $\mathbf{S} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{V}$ .*

## Proof.

$\text{Rep}_{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{V})(\mathbf{k}) = \bigcup_{i \geq 1}^{\text{finite}} \overline{\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{x}_i)}$  by Theorem 8. □

- Corollary 9 says that, if  $R$  is of graded countable representation type, there are only finitely many graded MCM  $R$ -modules with a fixed Hilbert series.
- It is natural to ask what happens if we fix the Hilbert polynomial instead of the Hilbert series.

We have the following example.

### Example 10

Let  $R = k[x, y]/(x^2)$  with  $\deg x = \deg y = 1$  and  $I_n = (x, y^n)R$ . Then Hilbert polynomials of  $I_n$  are  $2$  for all  $n$  and  $I_n \not\cong I_m$  if  $n \neq m$ .

The following theorem is due to Dao and Shipman.

**Theorem 11 (Dao-Shipman 2014, Theorem 3.1)**

*Assume that  $R$  is with an isolated singularity. For each  $r > 0$  there exists  $\alpha_r > 0$  such that if  $M$  is an indecomposable graded MCM  $R$  module with rank  $r$  then*

$$g_{\max}(M) - g_{\min}(M) < \alpha_r,$$

*where  $g_{\max}(M) = \max\{m \mid (M/S_+M)_m \neq 0\}$  and  $g_{\min}(M) = \min\{m \mid (M/S_+M)_m \neq 0\}$ .*

The theorem says that there are only finitely many finite dimensional graded  $k$ -modules which are isomorphic to indecomposable graded MCM  $R$ -modules with rank  $r$  up to isomorphism and shift. (Note that  $M/S_+M \cong V$  as  $k$ -modules.)

## Corollary 12

Let  $R$  be of graded countable CM representation type. Suppose that  $R$  is with an isolated singularity. Then  $R$  is of graded discrete CM representation type.

## Proof.

According to Theorem 11, for each  $r > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \{\mathbf{M} : \text{MCM } R\text{-modules with rank } r\} / \langle \cong, \text{shift} \rangle \\ &= \bigcup_{\mathbf{V}}^{\text{finite}} \text{Rep}_S(R, \mathbf{V})(k). \end{aligned}$$

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Thank you for your attention.