

τ -RIGID-FINITE ALGEBRAS WITH RADICAL SQUARE ZERO

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ABSTRACT. In this note, we study τ -rigid-finite algebras with radical square zero.

Throughout this note, by an algebra we mean a basic connected finite dimensional algebra over an algebraically closed field K . By a module we mean a finite dimensional right module. Let Λ be an algebra. For a Λ -module M with a minimal projective presentation $P^{-1} \xrightarrow{P} P^0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$, we define a Λ -module τM by an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \tau M \rightarrow \nu P^{-1} \xrightarrow{\nu P} \nu P^0,$$

where $\nu := \text{Hom}_K(\text{Hom}_\Lambda(-, \Lambda), K)$ is the Nakayama functor.

The following module plays an important role in this note.

Definition 1. A Λ -module M is τ -rigid if $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(M, \tau M) = 0$. We denote by $\tau\text{-rigid}\Lambda$ the set of isomorphism classes of indecomposable τ -rigid Λ -modules.

In 1980's, Auslander-Smalo [4] have already studied τ -rigid modules from the viewpoint of torsion theory. Recently, from the perspective of tilting mutation theory, the authors in [2] introduced the notion of (support) τ -tilting modules as a special class of τ -rigid modules. They correspond bijectively with many important objects in representation theory, *i.e.*, functorially finite torsion classes, two-term sifting complexes and cluster-tilting objects in a special cases. By the following proposition, finiteness of these objects is induced by that of τ -rigid Λ .

Proposition 2. [5] *Let Λ be an algebra. The following are equivalent:*

- (1) *The set $\tau\text{-rigid}\Lambda$ is finite.*
- (2) *There are finitely many isomorphism classes of basic support τ -tilting Λ -modules.*

Definition 3. An algebra Λ is called τ -rigid-finite if it satisfies the equivalent conditions in Proposition 2.

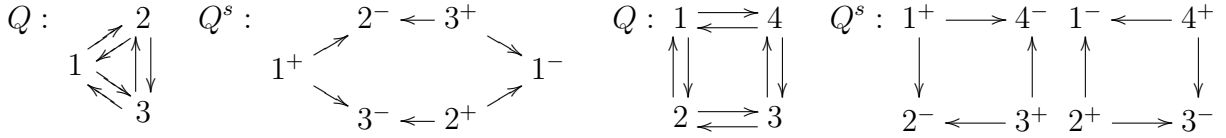
Our aim of this note is to study τ -rigid-finite algebras with radical square zero. In the rest of this note, let Λ be an algebra with radical square zero and $Q = (Q_0, Q_1)$ the quiver of Λ , where Q_0 is the vertex set and Q_1 is the arrow set. Namely, $\Lambda = \Lambda_Q$ is the path algebra of a quiver Q modulo the ideal generated by all paths of length 2. In representation theory of algebras with radical square zero, the notion of the separated quiver play a central role. For a quiver $Q = (Q_0, Q_1)$, we define a new quiver $Q^s = (Q_0^s, Q_1^s)$, called the

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separated quiver of Q , as follows:

$$Q_0^s := \{i^+, i^- \mid i \in Q_0\}, \quad Q_1^s := \{i^+ \rightarrow j^- \mid (i \rightarrow j) \in Q_1\}.$$

Note that the separated quiver Q^s is bipartite and not connected even if Q is connected.



The following proposition is well-known result.

Proposition 4. [3, X.2.4] *Let Λ be an algebra with radical square zero and KQ^s the path algebra of the separated quiver of the quiver of Λ . Then two algebras Λ and KQ^s are stably equivalent, that is, there is an equivalent between the associated module categories modulo projectives.*

We have the following famous theorem characterizing representation-finiteness.

Theorem 5. [6] *Let Λ be an algebra with radical square zero and Q the quiver of Λ . The following are equivalent:*

- (1) Λ is representation-finite.
- (2) The separated quiver Q^s is a disjoint union of Dynkin quivers.

The following theorem is an analog of Theorem 5 for τ -rigid-finiteness. A full subquiver Q' of Q^s is called a *single subquiver* if, for any $i \in Q_0$, the vertex set Q'_0 contains at most one of i^+ or i^- .

Theorem 6. [1] *Let Λ be an algebra with radical square zero and Q the quiver of Λ . The following are equivalent:*

- (1) Λ is τ -rigid-finite.
- (2) Each single subquiver of Q^s is a disjoint union of Dynkin quivers.

We give some comment for loops of a quiver.

Remark 7. Let $Q = (Q_0, Q_1)$ be a quiver with a loop ℓ , and $Q' = (Q'_0, Q'_1)$ the quiver with $Q'_0 = Q_0$ and $Q'_1 = Q_1 \setminus \{\ell\}$. Then there is a natural bijection between the set of single subquiver of Q^s and those of Q'^s . Hence Λ_Q is τ -rigid-finite if and only if $\Lambda_{Q'}$ is τ -rigid-finite.

$$Q : 1 \curvearrowright \quad Q^s : 1^+ \longrightarrow 1^-$$

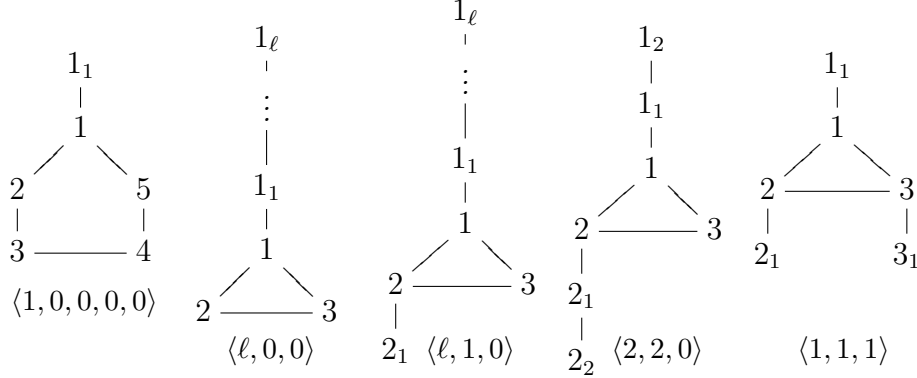
We give a main result of this note. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a connected graph, where V is the vertex set and E is the edge set. We define a quiver $Q_G = ((Q_G)_0, (Q_G)_1)$, called *the double quiver of G* , as follows:

$$(Q_G)_0 := V, \quad (Q_G)_1 := \{i \rightarrow j, i \leftarrow j \mid (i, j) \in E\}.$$

For non-negative integers $\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n$, we define a graph $G := \langle \ell_1, \dots, \ell_n \rangle$ as follows. G is an n -cycle such that each vertex v_i in the n -cycle is attached to a Dynkin graph A_{ℓ_i} and the degree of v_i is at most three.

Theorem 8. *Let G be a connected graph with no loop. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) Λ_{Q_G} is τ -rigid-finite.
(2) G is one of the following graphs:
(a) Dynkin graphs of type A , D , and E ,
(b) odd-cycles,
(c) $\langle 1, 0, 0, 0, 0 \rangle$,
(d) $\langle \ell, 0, 0 \rangle$ ($1 \leq \ell$),
(e) $\langle \ell, 1, 0 \rangle$ ($1 \leq \ell \leq 4$),
(f) $\langle 2, 2, 0 \rangle$,
(g) $\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$.



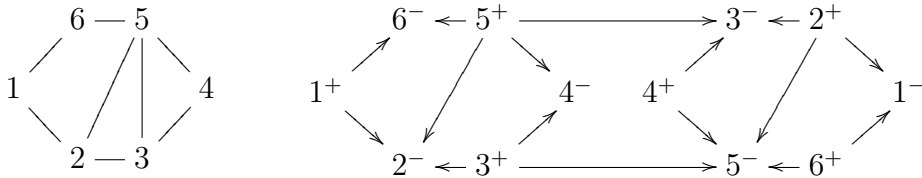
We can extend our theorem to the case of quivers/graphs with loops.

Remark 9. Assume that the quiver Q of Λ has a loop. By Remark 7, if there exists a graph G in Theorem 8 (2) such that Q_G is isomorphic to Q up to all loops, then Λ_Q is also τ -rigid-finite.

In the rest of this section, we give a proof of Theorem 8 by removing extended Dynkin graphs from connected single subquivers of the separated quiver. First we remove extended Dynkin graphs of type \tilde{A} from the separated quiver. A graph is called an n -cycle if it is a cycle with exactly n vertices. In particular, it is called an *odd-cycle* if n is odd, and an *even-cycle* if n even. We write by \overline{Q} the underlying graph of a quiver Q .

Lemma 10. *A graph G contains an even-cycle as a subgraph if and only if there exists a single subquiver Q' of Q_G^s such that $\overline{Q'}$ is an extended Dynkin graph of type \tilde{A} .*

Proof. Since Q_G^s is bipartite, all cycles as a subgraph in Q_G^s are even-cycles. Hence G contains an even-cycle as a subgraph. Conversely, assume that G contains an even-cycle as a subgraph. By taking a minimal even-cycle G' in G as a subgraph, $\overline{Q_G^s}$ includes G' as a full subgraph. Hence the assertion follows. \square



By Lemma 10, we may assume that G contains no even-cycle as a subgraph. Since G is also bipartite, we have the following connection between G and Q_G^s . A *spanning tree* of

G' is a subgraph of G that includes all of the vertices of G and is a tree. A *subtree of G* is a connected full subgraph of a spanning tree of G .

Proposition 11. *Let G be a graph with no even-cycle as a subgraph. Let G' be a graph. Then G' is a subtree of G if and only if there exists a connected single subquiver Q' of Q_G^s such that $\overline{Q'} = G'$. In particular, there is a naturally one-to-two correspondence between the set of subtrees of G and the set of connected single subquivers of Q_G^s .*

Proof. If G' is a subtree of G , then there exists a connected subquiver Q' of Q_G^s with $\overline{Q'} = G'$. By Lemma 10, Q' is clearly a full subquiver, and hence it is a single subquiver. Conversely, assume that Q' is a single subquiver Q' of Q_G^s with $\overline{Q'} = G'$. By Lemma 10, $\overline{Q'}$ is a tree. Since Q' is a full subquiver, $\overline{Q'}$ is a subtree of G by the definition of separated quivers. \square

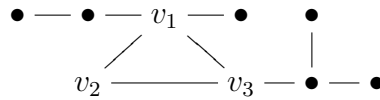
By Proposition 11, to remove non-Dynkin quivers from single subquivers of the separated quiver, we have only to concentrate on observing subtrees of graphs. For a tree, we have the following result.

Corollary 12. *Let G be a tree. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) Λ_{Q_G} is τ -rigid-finite.
- (2) G is a Dynkin graph.

Proof. Assume that G is a tree. G is Dynkin if and only if all subtrees of G are Dynkin. Thus the assertion follows from Theorem 6 and Proposition 11. \square

By Corollary 12, we may assume that G contains exactly one odd-cycle and no even-cycles. Namely, G is an odd-cycle such that each vertex v in the odd-cycle is attached to a tree T_v .



We remove extended Dynkin graphs of type \tilde{D} from the separated quiver Q_G^s .

Lemma 13. *Fix a positive integer k and $n := 2k + 1$. Let G be an n -cycle such that each vertex v in the n -cycle is attached to a tree T_v . Then G contains an extended Dynkin graph of type \tilde{D} as a subgraph if and only if it satisfies one of the following conditions:*

- (a) *There is a vertex v in the n -cycle such that the degree is at least four.*
- (b) *There is a vertex v in the n -cycle such that the degree is exactly three and T_v is not Dynkin graph of type A .*
- (c) *$k > 1$ and there are at least two vertices in the n -cycle such that the degrees are at least three.*

Proof. Clearly, if G satisfies one of the conditions (a), (b), and (c), then it contains an extended Dynkin graph of type \tilde{D} . Conversely, assume that G contains an extended Dynkin graph of type \tilde{D} . Then \tilde{D}_4 has exactly one vertex whose degree is exactly four and \tilde{D}_ℓ has exactly two vertices whose degree is exactly three for any integer $\ell > 4$. We can check that G satisfies one of (a), (b), and (c). \square

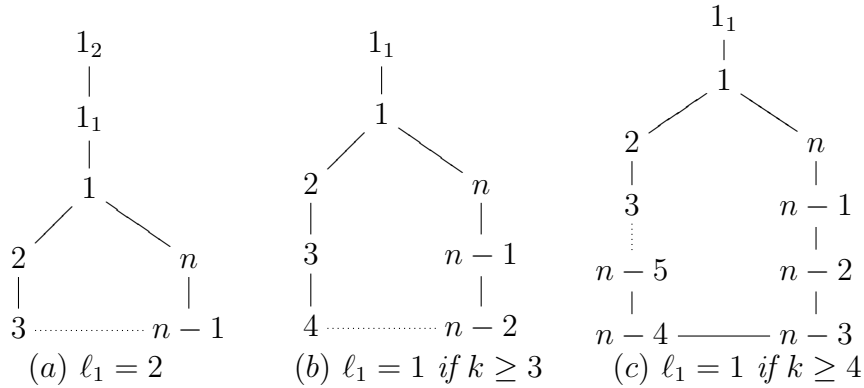
Fix a positive integer k and $n := 2k + 1$. By Lemma 13, we may assume that G is one of the following graphs:

- (a) $\langle \ell_1, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$ if $k \geq 2$.
- (b) $\langle \ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3 \rangle$ with $\ell_1 \geq \ell_2 \geq \ell_3$ if $k = 1$.

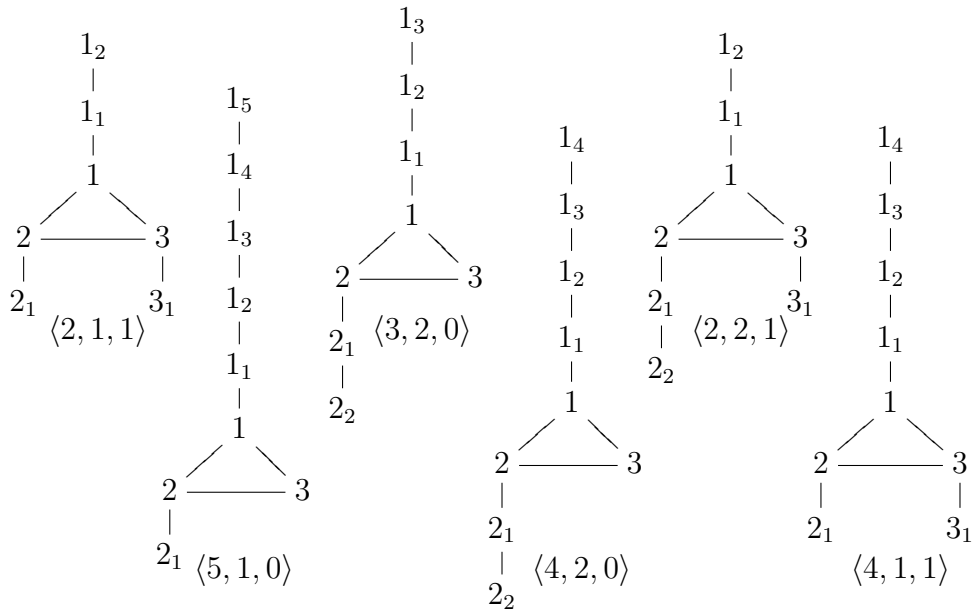
Finally, we remove extended Dynkin graphs of type \tilde{E} from the separated quiver Q_G^s .

Lemma 14. *Fix a positive integer k and $n := 2k + 1$. Assume that $G = \langle \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n \rangle$.*

- (1) *Assume that $k \geq 2$. The following graphs (a), (b) and (c) are the minimal graphs containing extended Dynkin graphs \tilde{E}_6 , \tilde{E}_7 , and \tilde{E}_8 respectively in the forms $\langle \ell_1, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$.*
- (a) $\langle 2, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$ ($k \geq 2$)
 - (b) $\langle 1, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$ ($k \geq 3$)
 - (c) $\langle 1, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$ ($k \geq 4$)



- (2) *Assume that $k = 1$. The following graphs (d), (e) and (f) are the minimal graphs containing extended Dynkin graphs \tilde{E}_6 , \tilde{E}_7 , and \tilde{E}_8 respectively in the forms $\langle \ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3 \rangle$.*
- (d) $\langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle$.
 - (e) $\langle 3, 2, 0 \rangle, \langle 2, 2, 1 \rangle$.
 - (f) $\langle 5, 1, 0 \rangle, \langle 4, 2, 0 \rangle, \langle 4, 1, 1 \rangle$.



Proof. We can check from the pictures above. □

Now we are ready to prove Theorem 8.

Proof of Theorem 8. If G is a tree, then the assertion follows from Corollary 12. We assume that G is not a tree. By the argument above, we have the minimal set of graphs including extended Dynkin graphs of type \tilde{A} , \tilde{D} , or \tilde{E} . Thus Λ_{Q_G} is τ -rigid-finite if and only if G is one of nontrivial full subgraphs with the n -cycle of graphs in Lemma 14. The assertion follows from that G is the desired graph. □

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