

## MA3203 - Exercise sheet 4

Throughout  $k$  denotes a field.

- [4, Problem 2.1] Find the representations corresponding to the modules  $\Lambda e_i$  for the different possible values of  $i$  and for the different cases of  $\Lambda$  listed below. Also, find the representation corresponding to  $\Lambda$  (as a left  $\Lambda$ -module) in each case:

*Hint: To compute  $\Lambda$  as a left  $\Lambda$ -module, use that  $\Lambda = \Lambda e_1 \oplus \Lambda e_2 \oplus \Lambda e_3$  in (a) and (b), and that  $\Lambda = \Lambda e_1 \oplus \Lambda e_2$  in (c).*

- (a)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/(\rho)$  where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3$$

and  $\rho = \{\beta\alpha\}$ .

- (b)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/(\rho)$  where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\beta} \\ \xrightarrow{\gamma} \end{array} 3$$

and  $\rho = \{\beta\alpha\}$ .

- (c)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/(\rho)$  where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver

$$1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \\ \xrightarrow{\beta} \end{array} 2 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} \gamma$$

and  $\rho = \{\gamma\alpha, \gamma^3\}$ .

- Let  $\Gamma = (\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1)$  be an arbitrary quiver. The two-sided ideal of  $k\Gamma$  generated by  $\Gamma_1$  is called the *arrow ideal* of  $k\Gamma$ , and is denoted  $R_\Gamma$ . An arbitrary two-sided ideal  $I \subseteq k\Gamma$  is called *admissible* if there exists an integer  $m \geq 2$  so that  $R_\Gamma^m \subseteq I \subseteq R_\Gamma^2$ .

- (a) Show that if  $I$  is admissible, then  $k\Gamma/I$  is finite-dimensional (even if  $k\Gamma$  is not).  
*Hint: Use that if  $R_\Gamma^m \subseteq I$ , then the dimension of  $k\Gamma/I$  is finite if the dimension of  $k\Gamma/R_\Gamma^m$  is finite.*
- (b) [1, Exercise II.7a] Let  $\Gamma = \alpha \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\beta} \\ \xleftarrow{\gamma} \end{array} 2$  and let  $\rho = \{\alpha^2, \gamma\beta, \beta\gamma - \beta\alpha\gamma\}$ . Show that  $(\rho)$  is an admissible ideal, and compute  $\dim_k k\Gamma/(\rho)$ .  
*Hint: Show that  $R_\Gamma^4 \subseteq (\rho)$ .*
- (c) [1, Example 2.7] Let  $\Gamma = \alpha \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} \beta$  and let  $\rho = \{\beta\alpha, \beta^2\}$ .  
 Show that  $(\rho)$  is not admissible and that  $k\Gamma/(\rho)$  is infinite-dimensional.  
*Hint: Show that  $\alpha^n \notin (\rho)$  for any  $n > 0$*

3. ([2, Problem 4.1]) Let  $\Gamma = \alpha \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} \beta$  and let  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/(\alpha^2, \beta^2, \beta\alpha)$ .

- (a) Show that  $(\alpha^2, \beta^2, \beta\alpha)$  is admissible, and compute the dimension of  $\Lambda$ .
- (b) Let  $k\langle x, y \rangle$  be the ring of polynomials with coefficients in  $k$  and noncommuting variables  $x$  and  $y$  (that is,  $xy \neq yx$ ). Show that  $\Lambda \cong k\langle x, y \rangle/(x^2, y^2, yx)$ .
- (c) Let  $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ b & a & 0 \\ c & d & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c, d \in k \right\}$ . Show that  $A$  is a ring and that  $\Lambda \cong A$ .

*Hint: Define a morphism of rings  $\phi: k\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow A$  by sending  $x$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $y$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that  $\phi$  is surjective and induces a morphism  $\bar{\phi}: k\langle x, y \rangle/(x^2, y^2, yx) \rightarrow A$ . Compute the dimension of  $A$  and  $k\langle x, y \rangle/(x^2, y^2, yx)$ , and deduce that  $\bar{\phi}$  is an isomorphism. Finally, use part (b) to conclude with the result.*

4. Let  $\Gamma$  be the quiver  $1 \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} \alpha$  and let  $\rho = \{\alpha^n\}$ . Using a similar argument as in the lecture, find all indecomposable representations of  $k\Gamma/(\rho)$ .

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