

# NMAG442 Representation Theory of Finite-Dimensional Algebras

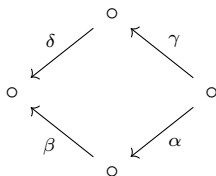
Excercise session 3—March 24, 2022

Our goal today is to explore path algebras and their representations and to employ some previously discussed concepts in doing so.

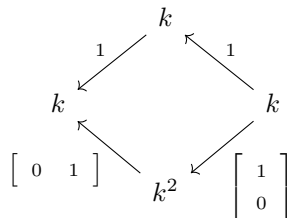
We work over an algebraically closed field  $k$  and with finite-dimensional modules.

## Path algebras and their representations

*Exercise 1* (Exercise 7 in III.4 in [1]). Let us have the following quiver:



bound by  $\alpha\beta = 0$ . Study decomposability of the following representation:

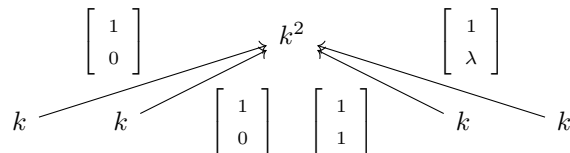


(Hint: Compute the endomorphism ring.)

*Exercise 2* (Subspace quiver). Let  $Q$  be a quiver with vertices labelled  $0, \dots, n$  and  $n$  arrows such that there is one arrow  $i \circ \rightarrow \circ 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then, find:

- (i) An embedding  $kQ \rightarrow M_{n+1}(k)$  (1.3(d), II.1 and 3.5(c), II.3 in [1]);
- (ii) Natural direct decomposition for every module over  $kQ$  (2.4.2 in [2]).

*Exercise 3* (Subspace quiver continued). Express the result of (ii) in Exercise 2 with idempotents. In other words, explicitly describe (not necessarily primitive) idempotents in endomorphism rings of finite-dimensional representations of the subspace quiver. Furthermore, compute endomorphism rings of some non-trivial indecomposable representations of the subspace quiver. For instance:



for suitable values of  $\lambda \in k$  (find those as well).

*Exercise 4* (Kronecker quiver; Exercise 15 in III.4 in [1]). Show that the endomorphism ring of the following representation of the Kronecker quiver ( $1 \circ \rightrightarrows \circ 2$ ):

$$k[t] \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} \\ \xrightarrow{t} \end{array} k[t]$$

is not local; even though, the representation is indecomposable.

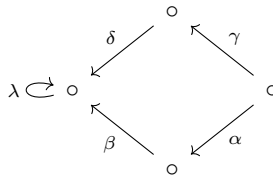
*Exercise 5* (Kronecker quiver continued). For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  find  $\varphi, \psi$  maps such that

$$k^n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \\ \xrightarrow{\psi} \end{array} k^{n+1}$$

is indecomposable. Compute the endomorphism ring of such a representation.

*Exercise 6* (Exercise 5 in II.4 in [1]). Let  $Q$  be a finite and acyclic quiver. Prove that  $kQ$  is a connected  $k$ -algebra if and only if  $kQ/R_Q^2$  is a connected  $k$ -algebra ( $R_Q$  is the ideal of  $kQ$  generated by all arrows of  $Q$ ).

*Exercise 7* (Examples 5(d) and 7(d) in III.2 in [1]). Given a quiver on four vertices:



bound by the following relations  $\alpha\beta = \gamma\delta$  and  $\lambda^3 = 0$  (observe that the ideal generated by these relations is admissible), compute all simple, indecomposable projective (with radicals) and injective modules (with factors by socles) over this quiver.

## References

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