

Tame Algebras with Sincere Directing Modules

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Let k be an algebraically closed field. Let A be a finite dimensional k -algebra.

Following [12], an indecomposable A -module X is said to be *directing* if it does not belong to a cycle $X \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_{n-1} \rightarrow X$ of nonzero nonisomorphisms between indecomposable A -modules. Preprojective components as well as connecting components of tilted algebras are formed by directing modules. An indecomposable A -module X is *sincere* if $\text{Hom}_A(P, X) \neq 0$ for every projective A -module $P \neq 0$. Representation-finite algebras with sincere directing modules have been extensively studied. They are tilted of tree type [1, 2, 12]; those algebras with more than 13 vertices were classified in [2] (see also [13]) and all others in [6]. In this work we consider the *tame* situation.

A tame algebra A is said to be *domestic* in at most n 1-parameters (we write $\mu_A \leq n$) if there are A - $k[T]$ -bimodules M_1, \dots, M_n which are finitely generated free as right $k[T]$ -modules and for every $d \in \mathbf{N}$, almost every indecomposable A -module of dimension d is of the form $M_i \otimes_{k[T]} L$ for some $k[T]$ -module L . Our main result is the following.

THEOREM. *Let A be a tame algebra with a sincere directing module X . Then A is a domestic algebra in at most two 1-parameters, $\mu_A \leq 2$. If $\mu_A = 2$, then for every $k[T]$ -module L we have*

$$\text{Hom}_A(M_1 \otimes_{k[T]} L, X) \neq 0 \neq \text{Hom}_A(X, M_2 \otimes_{k[T]} L)$$

(up to reordering of the indices of M_1, M_2).

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 1 we recall the main definitions and results needed in the work; in particular we explain the structure of the Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_A of a tilted algebra A of tame representation type [8]. In Section 2 we show that the Euler form q_A controls the module category $\text{mod } A$. In Section 3, we give the proof of our

theorem. The results of this work should be useful for the classification of all tame algebras with sincere directing modules. We hope to report soon about this.

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1. BASIC RESULTS

1.1. We say that A is *tame* provided for each $d \in \mathbb{N}$ there are a finite number of A - $k[T]$ -bimodules M_1, \dots, M_n which are free of rank d as right $k[T]$ -modules, and such that every indecomposable A -module of dimension d is isomorphic to $M_i \otimes_{k[T]} S$ for some i and some simple $k[T]$ -module S .

For a tame algebra A and $d \in \mathbb{N}$, we define $\mu_A(d)$ as the smallest integer n such that there are A - $k[T]$ -bimodules M_1, \dots, M_n which are free of rank d as right $k[T]$ -modules and such that the set of modules

$$\{M_i \otimes_{k[T]} k[T]/(T - \lambda) : \lambda \in k, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

meets all but finitely many isomorphism classes of indecomposable A -modules of dimension d . Then A is said to be *domestic* in at most N 1-parameters if $\mu_A(d) \leq N$ for every d . We say that A is domestic in N 1-parameters (and write $\mu_A = N$) if it is domestic in at most N 1-parameters but not in at most $(N - 1)$ 1-parameters. This definition is equivalent to at given in the Introduction; see [5].

Some examples of domestic algebras are discussed in [12].

1.2. For simplicity, we assume that A is a basic and connected algebra. We write $A = k[Q]/I$, where Q is the quiver of A and I is an admissible ideal of the path algebra $k[Q]$ (see [7]).

By $\text{mod } A$ we denote the category of finite dimensional left A -modules. We view a A -module as a representation of Q satisfying the relations imposed by I .

By Q_0 (resp. Q_1) we denote the set of vertices (resp. arrows) of Q . For each vertex $x \in Q_0$ we denote by S_x the simple A -module associated with x . The projective cover P_x and injective hull I_x of S_x will be frequently used.

By Γ_A we denote the Auslander–Reiten quiver of A with translation τ ($= \text{Dtr}$, the dual of transpose operator). We do not distinguish between an indecomposable A -module, its isomorphism class, and the corresponding vertex in Γ_A .

1.3. We recall that A is said to be a *tilted algebra of type Δ* if there is a tilted module ${}_A T$ over the hereditary algebra $A = k[\Delta]$ such that $A = \text{End}_A(T)$ (see [13]). The tilting module ${}_A T$ defines a torsion theory $(\mathcal{F}(T), \mathcal{G}(T))$ in $\text{mod } A$ with $\mathcal{F}(T) = \{Y : \text{Hom}_A(T, Y) = 0\}$, $\mathcal{G}(T) = \{Y : \text{Ext}_A^1(T, Y) = 0\}$ and a torsion theory $(\mathcal{Y}(T), \mathcal{X}(T))$ in $\text{mod } A$ with $\mathcal{Y}(T) = \{X : \text{Tor}_1^A(T, X) = 0\}$, $\mathcal{X}(T) = \{X : T \otimes_A X = 0\}$

Then the functor $F = \text{Hom}_A(T, -)$ induces an equivalence between $\mathcal{G}(T)$ and $\mathcal{Y}(T)$ and $F' = \text{Ext}_A^1(T, -)$ an equivalence between $\mathcal{F}(T)$ and $\mathcal{X}(T)$.

Let Σ be the set of indecomposable A -modules of the form $F(I_x)$, where I_x is an indecomposable injective A -module. Then Σ is a *slice* in Γ_A ; that is, the following properties are satisfied: Σ is path closed in Γ_A ; for every projective A -module P , there is some $S \in \Sigma$ with $\text{Hom}_A(P, S) \neq 0$; if $S \in \Sigma$, then $\tau S \notin \Sigma$; if M and S are indecomposable, $f: M \rightarrow S$ is irreducible, and $S \in \Sigma$, then either $M \in \Sigma$ or M is not injective and $\tau^- M \in \Sigma$. Observe that the points of Σ induce a full subquiver of Γ_A isomorphic to Δ^{op} . The component \mathcal{C}_A of Γ_A containing Σ is called the *connecting component* (see [14]).

The following is a central fact for our work.

PROPOSITION [12, Addendum to 4.1]. *If A has a sincere directing module X , then A is a tilted algebra. Moreover, the sets of modules*

$$\Sigma(\rightarrow X) = \{Y \in \Gamma_A : \text{there is a path from } Y \text{ to } X \text{ in } \Gamma_A \\ \text{and every path from } Y \text{ to } X \text{ is sectional}\}.$$

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1.4. If X is a directing A -module, its support $\text{supp } X$ is convex (=path closed) in A [3]. Hence $A(X) = A / \langle s \in Q_0 : X(s) = 0 \rangle$ is a convex subalgebra of A with a sincere directing module (namely X). This reduces the study of directing modules to that of sincere directing modules.

1.5. Let A be a tilted algebra of type Δ . Assume that A is tame but not representation-finite. Then Δ is not of Dynkin type [13].

If $A = k[\Delta]$ is tame (equivalently Δ is of Euclidean type), then A is a domestic tubular algebra [13]. In particular, A is domestic in one 1-parameter. The module category $\text{mod } A$ and the Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_A are completely described in [13].

Assume $A = k[\Delta]$ is *wild* (for the purposes of this work, wild means not tame; however, see [4]). Let $T = T_1 \oplus \dots \oplus T_n$ be an indecomposable

decomposition of a tilting A -module such that $\Lambda = \text{End}_A(T)$. Following [8], we consider the sets

$$U = \{1 \leq i \leq n : \text{Ext}_A^1(T_i, X) \neq 0 \text{ for only finitely many indecomposables } X \in \mathcal{F}(T)\}$$

$$V = \{1 \leq i \leq n : \text{Hom}_A(T_i, Y) \neq 0 \text{ for only finitely many indecomposables } Y \in \mathcal{G}(T)\}.$$

Let $T_\infty = \bigoplus_{i \notin U} T_i$ and ${}_\infty T = \bigoplus_{j \notin V} T_j$. Then $A_\infty = \text{End}_A(T_\infty)$ is called the *right end algebra* of Λ and ${}_\infty \Lambda = \text{End}_A({}_\infty T)$ the *left end algebra*. The following facts were proved in [8].

(a) Λ is an iterated one-point extension (resp. coextension) of ${}_\infty \Lambda$ (resp. A_∞).

(b) There are a factor algebra ${}_\infty A$ of A and a tilting module ${}_\infty \hat{T}$ of ${}_\infty A$ without preinjective direct summands such that $\text{End}_{{}_\infty A}({}_\infty \hat{T}) = {}_\infty \Lambda$. Moreover, ${}_\infty A = A_1 \times \cdots \times A_r$ with A_i connected, ${}_\infty \hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \hat{T}_r$, where \hat{T}_i is an A_i -tilting module without preinjective direct summands and ${}_\infty \Lambda = \Lambda_1 \times \cdots \times \Lambda_r$ for $\Lambda_i = \text{End}_{A_i}(\hat{T}_i)$. If we define $F_i = \text{Hom}_{A_i}(\hat{T}_i, -) : \text{mod } A_i \rightarrow \text{mod } \Lambda_i$, then $\text{Hom}_{{}_\infty A}({}_\infty \hat{T}, -) = (F_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}$.

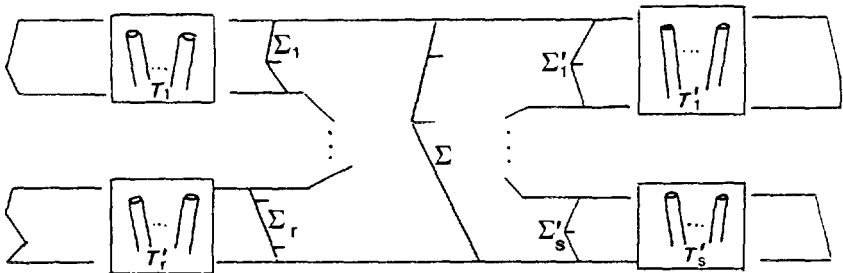
(c) Dually, there are a factor algebra $A_\infty = A'_1 \times \cdots \times A'_s$ of A with A'_i connected, and a tilting module $\hat{T}_\infty = \tilde{T}_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \tilde{T}_s$ of A_∞ such that $A_\infty = A'_1 \times \cdots \times A'_s$ for $A'_i = \text{End}_{A_i}(\tilde{T}_i)$. If $F'_i = \text{Ext}_{A_i}^1(\tilde{T}_i, -) : \text{mod } A'_i \rightarrow \text{mod } \Lambda'_i$, then $\text{Ext}_{A_\infty}^1(\hat{T}_\infty, -) = (F'_i)_{1 \leq i \leq s}$.

(d) Since Λ is tame and not representation-finite, then:

- ${}_\infty A$ or A_∞ is tame and both are not wild.
- Each A_i is representation-finite or a domestic tubular algebra.
- Each A'_i is representation-finite or a domestic cotubular algebra.

algebra.

(e) The Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_Λ has the shape



where Σ is the slice in Γ_A and Σ_i (resp. Σ'_i) is a slice in Γ_{A_i} (resp. $\Gamma_{A'_i}$). The tubular families \mathcal{T}_i or \mathcal{T}'_i may be empty, but at least one of them is not.

1.6. As a consequence of (1.5) we get:

PROPOSITION. *Let A be a tame algebra with a sincere directing module. Then*

(a) *A is a domestic algebra.*

(b) *If A is domestic in one 1-parameter, then A is a finite enlargement of a domestic tubular algebra or a finite coenlargement of a domestic cotubular algebra.*

(c) *If A is a domestic in at least two 1-parameters, then there exist only finitely many indecomposable sincere modules.*

Proof. By (1.3), A is tilted algebra of type Δ . Let $A = k[\Delta]$.

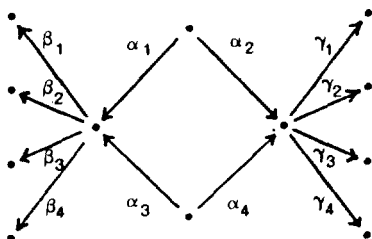
(a) With the notation of (1.5), A is domestic in at most $r + s$ 1-parameters.

(b) Suppose A_1 is not representation-finite. Then $\text{mod } A_1$ is cofinite in $\text{mod } A$.

(c) If A is domestic in at least two 1-parameters, then there are only a finite number of slices in the connecting component \mathcal{C}_A . But for every sincere module X , $\Sigma(X \rightarrow _)$ is a slice in Γ_A (1.3). Hence the result follows. ■

1.7. We want to remark that most of the description of Γ_A given in (1.5) also follows from the considerations on directing modules in [15].

1.8. EXAMPLES. (a) There are tame algebras which are tilted and domestic in at least three 1-parameters. We borrow the example from [8]: let A be the algebra with quiver

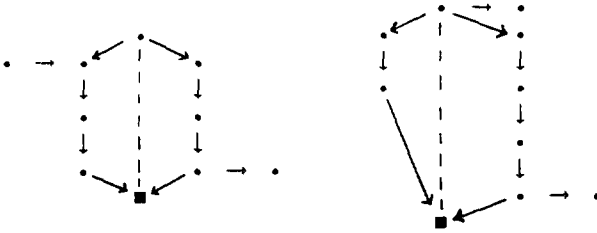


and relations

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 \beta_i = 0 = \alpha_2 \gamma_i & \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq 3 \\ \alpha_3 \beta_j = 0 = \alpha_4 \gamma_j & \quad \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq 4. \end{aligned}$$

Then ${}_{\infty}A$ is hereditary of type Δ , where Δ is the union of two copies of \tilde{D}_4 and A_{∞} is a tilted algebra of type \tilde{A}_7 .

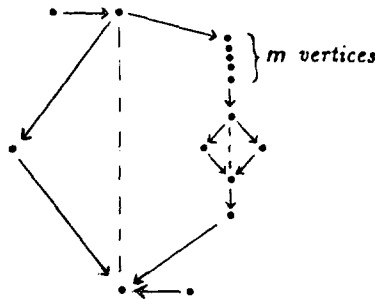
(b) The *one-relation tame algebras* in [12] denoted by $GA - \Delta'$ all have a sincere directing module. The letter G stands for "gluing." Two examples are as follows:



The unique relation is the commutativity relation between the vertices joined by a dotted line. In the first case $\Delta = \tilde{E}_8$, $\Delta' = \tilde{E}_8$; in the second $\Delta = \tilde{E}_7$, $\Delta' = \tilde{E}_8$. In general, Δ is said to be the *gluing* of A and B if A and B are convex subalgebras of Δ , $\text{mod } A \cup \text{mod } B$ is a cofinite subcategory of $\text{mod } \Delta$, and there exist a preprojective B -module N and a preinjective A -module M such that $\text{Hom}_{\Delta}(M, N) \neq 0$. Then the Auslander-Reiten quiver Γ_{Δ} is obtained from Γ_A and Γ_B by joining together the preinjective component of Γ_A with the preprojective component of Γ_B (see [12]). If A is domestic in r 1-parameters and B is domestic in s 1-parameters, then Δ is domestic in $r + s$ 1-parameters.

The two examples above are domestic in two 1-parameters.

(c) The family of algebras A_m given by the quivers



with the commutativity relations indicated by dotted arrows are domestic in two 1-parameters with sincere directing modules. In fact A_m is also a gluing of two hereditary algebras of type \mathbf{D}_n .

2. THE EULER FORM OF A TAME TILTED ALGEBRA

2.1. Let A be a tame algebra which is tilted of type Δ . Let $A = k[\Delta]$. Let $K_0(A)$ be the Grothendieck group of A ; then $K_0(A) = \mathbf{Z}^{\mathcal{Q}_0}$. A module $X \in \text{mod } A$ has a *dimension vector* $\underline{\dim} X = (\dim_k X(s))_{s \in \mathcal{Q}_0} \in K_0(A)$.

The bilinear form $\langle -, - \rangle$ on $K_0(A)$ is defined in such a way that

$$\langle \underline{\dim} X, \underline{\dim} Y \rangle = \dim \text{Hom}_A(X, Y) - \dim \text{Ext}_A^1(X, Y) + \dim \text{Ext}_A^2(X, Y).$$

The quadratic form $q_A(z) = \langle z, z \rangle$ is called the *Euler form* of A . We freely use the notation of [13].

The next proposition generalizes results in [3, 12]. Apart from its own importance, we use it in the proof of our theorem.

PROPOSITION. *Let A be a tame algebra tilted of type Δ . Then the Euler form q_A is weakly non-negative and controls the module category $\text{mod } A$; that is, q_A satisfies the following properties:*

- (a) *For any indecomposable $X \in \text{mod } A$, $q_A(\underline{\dim} X) \in \{0, 1\}$.*
- (b) *For any connected vector $z \in \mathbf{N}^{\mathcal{Q}_0}$ with $q_A(z) = 1$, there is precisely one module X up to isomorphism with $\underline{\dim} X = z$.*
- (c) *For any connected vector $z \in \mathbf{N}^{\mathcal{Q}_0}$ with $q_A(z) = 0$, there is an infinite family $(X_\lambda)_{\lambda \in k}$ of indecomposable modules with $X_\lambda \not\cong X_\mu$ if $\lambda \neq \mu$ and $\underline{\dim} X_\lambda = z$ for every λ .*

By [8, (6)] or [9], q_A is *weakly non-negative* (that is, $q_A(z) \geq 0$ for $z \in \mathbf{N}^{\mathcal{Q}_0}$). Part (a) follows from the description of Γ_A given in (1.5). The proof of (c) and (b) is given in Sections (2.4) and (2.5) below.

2.2. If Δ is of Euclidean type, this result is just [12, (4.9)]. We can assume that Δ is of wild type. We keep our notation as in (1.5). We assume that A_1, \dots, A_p (resp. A'_1, \dots, A'_q) are not of Dynkin type and A_{p+1}, \dots, A_r (resp. A'_{q+1}, \dots, A'_s) are of Dynkin type. Hence $\mathcal{F}_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}_p$ (resp. $\mathcal{F}'_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}'_q$) are *tubular families* [12, (3.1)]. Let Z_i (resp. Z'_i) be a module in the mouth of a homogeneous tube of \mathcal{F}_i (resp. \mathcal{F}'_i); we set $z_i = \underline{\dim} Z_i$ (resp. $z'_i = \underline{\dim} Z'_i$.) Therefore, the algebra A is domestic in $p + q$ 1-parameters.

- LEMMA. (i) If $X \in \mathcal{T}_i$, then X has projective dimension $\text{p dim } X \leq 1$.
 (ii) If $Y \in \mathcal{T}'_i$, then Y has injective dimension $\text{i dim } Y \leq 1$.
 (iii) $\text{Hom}_A(Z_i, Z_j) = 0 = \text{Hom}_A(Z'_i, Z'_j)$, for $i \neq j$.
 (iv) $\text{Hom}_A(Z_i, Z'_j) = 0$ if and only if $\text{supp } Z_i \cap \text{supp } Z'_j = \emptyset$.

Proof. (i) If $\text{p dim } X > 1$, then there is a morphism $0 \neq f: I_i \rightarrow \tau X \in \mathcal{T}_i$, which is impossible since all injective modules lie to the right of the connecting component.

(ii) is dual of (i); (iii) is obvious.

(iv) Assume $x \in \text{supp } Z_i \cap \text{supp } Z'_j$. Then $\text{Hom}_A(Z_i, I_x) \neq 0$ and $\text{Hom}_A(Z'_j, I_x) \neq 0$. Since \mathcal{T}'_j is separating, then $\text{Hom}_A(Z_i, Z'_j) \neq 0$. ■

2.3. Let I_0 be a subset of $\bigcup_{x, y \in Q_0} I(x, y)$ which generates the ideal I and suppose $\text{card}(I_0)$ is minimal with this property. Set $r(x, y) = \text{card}(I_0 \cap I(x, y))$. By [2], we have

$$\langle z, w \rangle = \sum_{x \in Q_0} z(x) w(x) - \sum_{(x \rightarrow y) \in Q_1} z(x) w(y) + \sum_{x, y \in Q_0} r(x, y) z(x) w(y).$$

We denote by $(-, -)$ the symmetrization of $\langle -, - \rangle$. That is, $(z, w) = \langle z, w \rangle + \langle w, z \rangle$.

2.4. *Proof of (2.1c).* Let $0 \neq v \in \mathbf{N}^{Q_0}$ be a connected vector such that $q_A(v) = 0$. We use induction on $|v| = \sum_x v(x)$ to show that $v = mz_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq p$) or $v = mz'_j$ ($1 \leq j \leq q$), for some $m \in \mathbf{N}$. Let X be a A -module with $\underline{\text{dim}} X = v$ and such that $\text{dim}_k \text{End}_A(X)$ is minimal. Consider the indecomposable decomposition $X = \bigoplus_{i=1}^t X_i$, then $\text{Ext}_A^1(X_i, X_j) = 0$ for every $i \neq j$ [12, (2.3)]. Let $w_i = \underline{\text{dim}} X_i$. Since q_A is weakly non-negative,

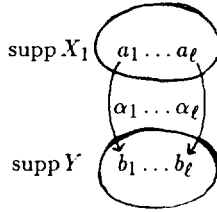
$$0 \leq q_A(w_i) \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq \langle w_i, w_j \rangle \quad \text{for every } i, j.$$

Hence $0 = \langle w_i, w_j \rangle$ for every i, j . We may assume that the vector $y := \sum_{i=2}^t w_i$ is connected. Since $q_A(y) = 0$, by the induction hypothesis, y is of the form mz_i or mz'_j for some $m \in \mathbf{N}$. Moreover, there is an indecomposable module Y in a homogeneous tube with $\underline{\text{dim}} Y = y$. Clearly, we may choose X_1 to lie also in a homogeneous tube.

By (2.2), either $\text{supp } X_1 = \text{supp } Y$ or $\text{supp } X_1 \cap \text{supp } Y = \emptyset$. The result is proved if we show that the first situation happens. Assume that $\text{supp } X_1 \cap \text{supp } Y = \emptyset$.

Since v is connected, we may assume that there are arrows $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_t$ from $\text{supp } X_1$ to $\text{supp } Y$. Hence X_1 belongs to some tubular family \mathcal{T}_i and Y to

some family \mathcal{F}'_j . In particular, there are no arrows from $\text{supp } Y$ to $\text{supp } X_1$:



Let $e_x = \underline{\dim} S_x$. For $x = a_i$, $(e_x, y) = 0$ [if $(e_x, y) < 0$, then $q_A(2y + e_x) < 0$; contradiction. Since $0 = (w_1, y) = -\sum_x w_1(x)(e_x, y)$, then $(e_x, y) = 0$ for $x \in \text{supp } X_1$]. From (2.3) we get

$$0 = (w_1, y) = - \sum_{i=1}^l w_1(a_i) y(b_i) + \sum_{i,t} r(a_i, t) w_1(a_i) y(t) + \sum_{a_i \neq x} \sum_t r(x, t) w_1(x) y(t)$$

$$0 = (e_{a_i}, y) = - \sum_{(a_i \rightarrow b_j) \in Q_1} y(b_j) + \sum_t r(a_i, t) y(t) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, l.$$

Therefore, $\sum_{a_i \neq x} r(x, b_j) w_1(x) = 0$; that is, there is no relation joining $\text{supp } X_1 \setminus \{a_1, \dots, a_l\}$ with b_j , for any $j = 1, \dots, l$. Since there are no oriented cycles in $\text{supp } X_1$ we may choose a_1 to be a source in the set $\{a_1, \dots, a_l\}$. Hence, the convex subalgebra of A' of A with support $\text{supp } X_1 \cup \{b_1\}$ is wild. Indeed, the quotient $A'/\langle \alpha_i: i \neq 1, b_i = b_1 \rangle$ is a coextension of a tame concealed algebra by a preinjective module; therefore it is wild [11]. This contradiction proves our assertion. ■

2.5. *Proof of (2.1b).* Let $0 \neq v \in \mathbf{N}^{Q_0}$ be a connected vector such that $q_A(v) = 1$.

Uniqueness. If X and Y are indecomposable A -modules with $\underline{\dim} X = v = \underline{\dim} Y$, then either X belongs to the connecting component and we apply [12, (2.4(8))] or X belongs to a domestic tubular (or cotubular) algebra and we apply [12, (4.9)].

Existence. The proof goes by induction on $|v|$. Let $X \in \text{mod } A$ be a module with $\underline{\dim} X = v$ and such that $\dim_k \text{End}_A(X)$ is minimal. Let $X = \bigoplus_{i=1}^t X_i$ be an indecomposable decomposition. As in (2.4), we have $\text{Ext}_A^1(X_i, X_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$. Set $w_i = \underline{\dim} X_i$. Then either

$$q_A(w_i) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \quad \text{and} \quad \langle w_i, w_j \rangle \neq 0 \quad \text{for a unique pair } i, j$$

or

$$q_A(w_1) = 1, \quad q_A(w_i) = 0 \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq t$$

and

$$\langle w_i, w_j \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \neq j.$$

We distinguish these cases:

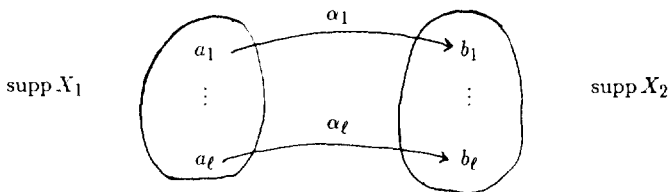
(i) Assume $q_A(w_i) = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq t$, $\langle w_1, w_2 \rangle = 1$ and $\langle w_i, w_j \rangle = 0$ for $(i, j) \neq (1, 2)$. Without loss of generality we may assume that the vector $w = \sum_{i=2}^t w_i$ is connected. Then $q_A(w) = 0$ and by (2.4), there exists an indecomposable module Y in a homogeneous tube with $\underline{\dim} Y = w$. Clearly, we may choose X_1 to lie also in a homogeneous tube. Since $1 = \langle w_1, w \rangle = \dim_k \text{Hom}_A(X_1, Y)$, then X_1 belongs to some family \mathcal{F}_i and Y to some family \mathcal{F}'_j .

Since $1 = (w_1, w) = \sum_x w_1(x)(e_x, w)$ there is a vertex y with $1 = (e_y, w)$. Then $w(y) = 0$. For the vector $z = w + (w_1 - e_y) = v - e_y$, with $q_A(z) = 1$, there is an indecomposable module Z with $\dim Z = z$ and trivial endomorphism ring. Since $(z, e_y) = -1$, there is an indecomposable extension of Z and S_y . This proves the claim.

(ii) Assume that $q_A(w_1) = 1$, $q_A(w_i) = 0$ for $2 \leq i \leq t$ and $\langle w_i, w_j \rangle = 0$ for all $i \neq j$. Assume that $t \geq 2$. Using (2.4) and the induction hypothesis we may suppose that $t = 2$ and that X_2 is a module in a homogeneous tube (in the tubular family \mathcal{T}).

Assume that $\text{supp } X_1 \cap \text{supp } X_2 \neq \emptyset$. By the argument in (2.2iv), we get that X_1 and X_2 belong to the same tubular family. Hence X_1 and X_2 are modules over a domestic tubular (or cotubular) algebra. By [12, (4.9)], there exists an indecomposable module X with $\underline{\dim} X = v$.

Therefore we may assume that $\text{supp } X_1 \cap \text{supp } X_2 = \emptyset$. Then there are arrows connecting $\text{supp } X_1$ and $\text{supp } X_2$:



Let B be the tame concealed algebra with $\text{supp } X_2$.

Our argument in the proof of (2.4) shows that there are no relations joining points $x \in \text{supp } X_1 \setminus \{a_1, \dots, a_l\}$ and $y \in \text{supp } X_2$. Suppose the vertices a_i are ordered in such a way that a_i is a sink in the set $\{a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_l\}$. Consider R_1 , the restriction of $\text{rad } P_{a_1}$ to the algebra B . Since $\langle \underline{\dim} R_1, \underline{\dim} X_2 \rangle = -\langle e_{a_1}, \underline{\dim} X_2 \rangle = -(e_{a_1}, \underline{\dim} X_2) = 0$, then R_1 is regular in B . Then P_{a_1} belongs to the tubular family (with ray insertions) \mathcal{T} .

Suppose there is an arrow $a_2 \rightarrow a_1$. Let R_2 be the restriction of $\text{rad } P_{a_2}$ to the domestic algebra B_1 with vertices $\text{supp } X_2 \cup \{a_1\}$. As above, R_2 belongs to the tubular family of Γ_{B_1} . Hence the one point extension $B_1[R_2]$ is a domestic tubular extension of B . In particular, there are no arrows from a_2 to $\text{supp } X_2$, a contradiction. Repeating this argument, we get that there are no arrows between a_i and a_j , $i \neq j$.

Therefore there are no relations starting at $x \in \text{supp } X_1 \setminus \{a_i\}$, ending at $y \in \text{supp } X_2$ and using a path which passes through a_i , $i = 1, \dots, l$.

First we observe that there is an indecomposable module X'_2 with $\underline{\dim} X'_2 = \underline{\dim} X_2 + e_{a_1}$. Moreover, $\underline{\dim} X_1(a_1) = 1$ [indeed, $(e_{b_1}, \underline{\dim} X_1) < 0$. If $(e_{b_1}, \underline{\dim} X_1) < -1$, then $q_A(\underline{\dim} X_1 + \underline{\dim} X_2 + e_{b_1}) = 2 + (e_{b_1}, \underline{\dim} X_1) \leq 0$, contradicting (2.4). Hence, $-1 = (e_{b_1}, \underline{\dim} X_1) = \langle \underline{\dim} X_1, e_{b_1} \rangle = -\dim X_1(a_1)$]. Therefore, there is no difficulty defining Y indecomposable with $\underline{\dim} Y = \underline{\dim} X_1 + \underline{\dim} X_2 = v$. This proves our result. ■

3. THE MAIN THEOREM

3.1. Let A be a tame algebra with a sincere directing module. By (1.3), A is tilted of type Δ . If Δ is Euclidean, A is domestic in one 1-parameter (1.6). Assume A is domestic in at least two 1-parameters (in particular, A is wild). By (1.6), there exist only finitely many indecomposable sincere A -modules. By (2.1), there is a bijection $X \mapsto \underline{\dim} X$ between the indecomposable sincere modules and the sincere positive roots of q_A . Therefore there exists a maximal sincere root v of q_A .

LEMMA. *Let v be a maximal sincere root of q_A . Then*

(i) $(v, e_x) \geq 0$ for every $x \in Q_0$.

(ii) *There are at most two vertices x with $(v, e_x) > 0$ (these are called exceptional indices of v [13]). Either there is a unique exceptional index a and $v(a) = 2$ or there are exceptional indices $a \neq b$ and $v(a) = 1 = v(b)$.*

Proof. To repeat the proof in [12, (1.1)], we first need to show that for any indecomposable sincere module Y , its dimension vector $u = \underline{\dim} Y$ satisfies that $-1 \leq (u, e_x) \leq 1$ for every $x \in Q_0$. Indeed, if $(u, e_x) < 0$ then

Let x be a source in $\text{supp } z'_1$ such that $x \notin \text{supp } A_1$. Set $B = A/(x)$. Then B is a tilted algebra [8, 4.1] which is domestic in one 1-parameter. Dually, let y be a sink in $\text{supp } z_1$ such that $y \notin \text{supp } A'_1$. Then $B' = A/(y)$ is a tilted algebra which is domestic in one 1-parameter. Clearly, A is the gluing of B and B' .

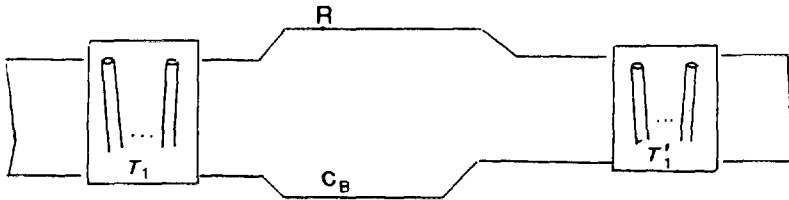
(ii) Suppose $a \neq b$ are the exceptional indices of v . By [12, (6.5)], a and b are sink or source vertices in Q (for the proof apply (3.1) instead of representation-finiteness). Suppose that a is a source in Q . Let $w_1 = z_1, \dots, w_p = z_p, w_{p+1} = z'_1, \dots, w_{p+q} = z'_q$. Then for each $i = 1, \dots, p+q$,

$$w_i(a) + w_i(b) = (w_i, v) > 0.$$

Then $p \leq 2$ and $q \leq 2$. Suppose $p+q = 4$. Then up to reordering of the roots we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_1(a) \neq 0 = w_1(b), & \quad w_2(a) = 0 \neq w_2(b) \\ w_3(a) \neq 0 = w_3(b'), & \quad w_4(b) = 0 \neq w_4(b). \end{aligned}$$

The algebra $B = A/(a)$ is a tilted algebra domestic in two 1-parameters. We write $A = B[R]$ as a one-point extension with $R = \text{rad } P_a$. We do not lose generality, assuming that R is indecomposable. From the description of Γ_B in (1.5), R belongs either to the tubular family \mathcal{T}_1 or the connecting component \mathcal{C}_B (observe in particular that ${}_\infty B$ and B_∞ are both not representation-finite):

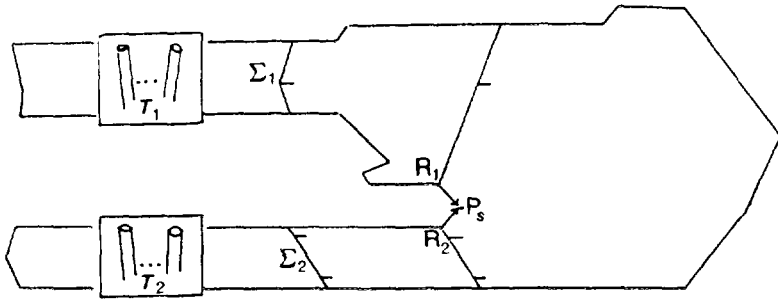


Consider indecomposable A -modules Y_i such that $\dim Y_i = w_i$. Then $\text{Hom}_A(R, Y_i) \neq 0$ for $i = 1, 3$. This can only happen if $\text{supp } Y_1 \cap \text{supp } Y_3 = \emptyset$, which contradicts $w_1(a) \neq 0 \neq w_3(a)$.

Suppose now $p = 1$ and $q = 2$. We may assume that $w_2(a) \neq 0 \neq w_3(a)$, then $w_1(a) = 0 \neq w_1(b)$. Hence $B = A/(a)$ is a tilted algebra in one 1-parameter. Write again $A = B[R]$. We obtain a contradiction as above. Hence $p+q = 2$.

Consider the case $p = 2, q = 0$. Let Σ_1, Σ_2 be the slices corresponding to the algebras A_1, A_2 . It is not hard to show that there is a projective $P_s \in \mathcal{C}_A$

such that $R = \text{rad } P_s = R_1 \oplus R_2 \oplus R'$ with R_1, R_2 indecomposable modules and $\Sigma(R_i \rightarrow)$ containing a subgraph of type $\Sigma_i, i = 1, 2$:



Passing to a convenient quotient of A , we may assume that s is a source in Q . Then $A = B[R]$ with $B = A/(s)$ and the subspace category $\mathcal{U}(\text{Hom}_B(R, \text{mod } B))$ is representation-finite. Hence $\Sigma(R_1 \rightarrow), \Sigma(R_2 \rightarrow)$ are disjoint trees. But this implies that $\text{Hom}_B(R, \text{mod } B)$ contains a subposet of type $(1, 1, 1, 1)$, which is representation-infinite. Contradiction.

The case $p = 0, q = 2$ is similar. Thus $p = 1 = q$ in case (ii). The last assertion follows as in case (i). ■

3.3. For the problem of construction of the tame algebras with a sincere directing module [11], we have the following result, similar to [13, (6.5)].

PROPOSITION. *Let A be a domestic algebra in two 1-parameters with a sincere directing module. Then there exists a sink or source vertex a such that the quotient $\bar{A} = A/(a)$ also has a sincere directing module. Moreover, a may be chosen in such a way that \bar{A} is domestic in one 1-parameter.*

Proof. By (1.6) and (2.1), there is a minimal sincere root u of q_A . Let Y be an indecomposable module with $\underline{\dim} Y = u$. By (3.1), there exists a vertex $a \in Q_0$ with $(u, e_a) = 1 = u(a)$. As in (3.2ii), a is a sink or a source in Q . Consider the quotient $\bar{A} = A/(a)$. Since $w = u - e_a$ satisfies $q_A(w) = 1$, there is an indecomposable \bar{A} -module W with $\underline{\dim} W = w$. We claim that W is directing. Otherwise there is a cycle $W \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} W_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow W_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i} W$ of non-zero non-isomorphisms between indecomposable \bar{A} -modules. Suppose that a is a source in Q and let $R = \text{rad } P_a$. Then the functor $\text{mod } \bar{A} \rightarrow \text{mod } A, M \mapsto \bar{M} = (M, \text{Hom}_{\bar{A}}(R, M), \text{id})$ is an embedding. Hence the cycle $Y = \bar{W} \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} \bar{W}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \rightarrow \bar{W}_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i} \bar{W} = Y$ between indecomposable A -modules yields a contradiction.

Let z be a null root of q_A and Z indecomposable with $\underline{\dim} Z = z$. Since Y is a sincere directing module, then

$$0 < (z, u) = \sum_x z(x)(u, e_x).$$

There exists some $a \in Q_0$ with $z(a) \neq 0$ and $(u, e_a) = 1$. Then $u(a) = 1$ and the quotient $\bar{A} = A/(a)$ is domestic in at most one 1-parameter. Then (3.2) implies that \bar{A} is domestic one 1-parameter. ■

3.4. *Remark.* The proof of Theorem (3.2) could be given using only “vector space category” arguments (in fact, we had used such arguments in the proof; a slight generalization would provide a complete proof of the result). Nevertheless, we find that the proof using “quadratic form” arguments is interesting. The additional information in (3.1), (3.3), and hence the classification problem [11] strongly depends on the use of the Euler form.

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