

## Endomorphism Algebras of $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ over Quasi-hereditary Algebras

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Let  $A$  be a finite-dimensional algebra over an algebraically closed field. If  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra, then the endomorphism algebra of the direct sum of all non-isomorphic indecomposable  $\Delta$ -good modules over  $A$  is quasi-hereditary. Moreover, this endomorphism algebra is left QF-3 if and only if the injective direct summand of the characteristic module  $T$  cogenerates  $T$ .

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND THE RESULTS

Quasi-hereditary algebras have been defined by E. Cline, B. Parshall, and L. Scott to build the relationship between the representation theory of semisimple complex Lie-algebras and algebraic groups on the one hand and the representation theory of finite-dimensional associative algebras on the other hand [CPS]. Many important algebras such as algebras of global dimension two, algebras of the category  $\mathcal{O}$ , which is defined by Bernstein, Gelfand, and Gelfand in [BGG], and Schur algebras [G] are quasi-hereditary algebras. Recently, Ringel, Dlab and Ringel have conducted many remarkable investigations into quasi-hereditary algebras (see [DR1] [R2]). Ringel proved in [R2] that the full subcategory of the category of all finitely generated  $A$ -modules consisting of all  $\Delta$ -good modules over a quasi-hereditary algebra has almost split sequences and has a characteristic module which is a minimal Ext-injective cogenerator for the  $\Delta$ -good module category. In [DR2] one may find further study of this full subcategory. In the present paper we study the algebraic properties of this category  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ , namely, the endomorphism algebra of this full subcategory

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in the case in which there are only finitely many non-isomorphic indecomposable objects. Usually this algebra is no longer an algebra of global dimension two (see Section 4). However, our study shows that this endomorphism algebra is again quasi-hereditary.

To state our result more precisely, let us first introduce some notation.

Let  $A$  be a finite-dimensional  $k$ -algebra over an algebraically closed field  $k$ , and we denote by  $A\text{-mod}$  the category of all finitely generated left  $A$ -modules and by  $A\text{-ind}$  a full subcategory of  $A\text{-mod}$  formed by choosing representatives of isomorphism classes of indecomposable modules in  $A\text{-mod}$ . If  $\Theta$  is a class of  $A$ -modules (closed under isomorphisms),  $\mathcal{F}(\Theta)$  stands for the class of all  $A$ -modules  $M$  which have a  $\Theta$ -filtration, i.e., a filtration  $M = M_0 \supset M_1 \supset \cdots \supset M_t \supset \cdots \supset M_m = 0$  such that all factor modules  $M_{t-1}/M_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq m$ , belong to  $\Theta$ . Also, we use  $\text{add } \Theta$  to denote the full subcategory of  $A\text{-mod}$  whose objects are direct sums of modules in  $\Theta$ .

Let  $E(1), \dots, E(n)$  be the simple  $A$ -modules (one from each isomorphism class), and note that we fix here a particular ordering of simple modules. Let  $P(i)$  be the projective cover of  $E(i)$ , and  $Q(i)$  denote the injective envelope of  $E(i)$ . By  $\Delta(i)$  we denote the maximal factor module of  $P(i)$  with composition factors of the form  $E(j)$ , where  $j \leq i$ ; the modules  $\Delta(i)$  are called the standard modules, and we set  $\Delta = \{\Delta(i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and call the modules in  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$   $\Delta$ -good modules. Similarly, we denote by  $\nabla(i)$  the maximal submodule of  $Q(i)$  with composition factors of the form  $E(j)$  with  $j \leq i$ ; in this way, we get a set  $\nabla = \{\nabla(i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  of costandard modules.

The algebra  $A$ , or, better, the pair  $(A, E)$  is called quasi-hereditary provided

- (1)  $\text{End}_A(\Delta(i)) \cong k$  for all  $i$ , and
- (2) every projective module belongs to  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ .

For each quasi-hereditary algebra  $A$  with standard modules  $\Delta(i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , C. M. Ringel proved in [R2] that for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there is a unique indecomposable module  $T(i)$  which lies in  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta) \cap \mathcal{F}(\nabla)$  and that the direct sum  $T$  of all  $T(i)$  cogenerates  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  and the endomorphism algebra of  $T$  is quasi-hereditary. The module  $T$  is called the characteristic module of  $(A, E)$ .

A quasi-hereditary algebra  $A$  is said to be  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ -finite if there are only finitely many non-isomorphism indecomposable  $\Delta$ -good modules over  $A$ . In this case, we denote by  $\text{End } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  the endomorphism algebra of the module  $\bigoplus X_i$ , where  $X_i$  ranges over all non-isomorphic indecomposable modules in  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ . Our main results are the following theorems.

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $A$  be a quasi-hereditary algebra. If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ -finite then  $\text{End } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  is quasi-hereditary. In particular, the global dimension of  $\text{End } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  is finite.*

We remark that a special case of this theorem is discussed in [LX].

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $A$  be an  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra with the characteristic module  $T = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n T(i)$ . Suppose  $T = T_0 \oplus T_1$  with  $T_0$  an injective module and  $T_1$  having no injective direct summand. Then  $\text{End } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  is a left QF-3 algebra if and only if  $T_0$  cogenerates  $T_1$ .*

The proofs of the theorems are given in Sections 2 and 3, and the last section contains some examples related to the main results.

Throughout the paper algebras always mean finite dimensional algebras over a fixed algebraically closed field  $k$  and modules mean finitely generated left modules. The composition of two homomorphisms  $f: M \rightarrow N$  and  $g: N \rightarrow L$  is denoted by  $fg$ .

## 2. PROOF OF THEOREM A

This section is devoted to the proof of the Theorem A. We need some preparations.

Let  $A$  be a quasi-hereditary algebra. Define  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind} = \{X \in A\text{-ind} \mid X \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\}$ , and  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_0 = \emptyset$  and  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i = \{X \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind} \mid X \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta(n), \dots, \Delta(n-i+1))\}$ . The following lemma is easy to prove by the definition of quasi-hereditary algebras (cf. [R2]).

### 2.1. LEMMA.

- (1)  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i+1} \supset \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i$  for all  $i$ .
- (2) For any module  $M \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i+1}$ , there is a unique largest submodule  $M'$  of  $M$  such that  $M' \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i$  and  $M/M' \in \text{add } \Delta(n-i)$ .
- (3)  $\text{Hom}_A(\mathcal{F}(\Delta(n), \dots, \Delta(n-i+1)), \mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i), \dots, \Delta(1))) = 0$ .
- (4)  $\text{Ext}_A^1(\mathcal{F}(\Delta(n), \dots, \Delta(n-i+1)), \mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i+1), \dots, \Delta(1))) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Parts (1), (3), and (4) are obvious from [R2].

(2) The existence of such a submodule  $M'$  of  $M$  follows from the definition of a quasi-hereditary algebra. Now let  $M''$  be another sub-

module of  $M$  with the property that  $M' \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i$  and  $M/M' \in \text{add } \Delta(n-i)$ . Then we may form the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & M' & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & M & \xrightarrow{\pi_M} & M/M' \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow f' & & \parallel & & \downarrow f \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & M'' & \xrightarrow{\beta} & M & \xrightarrow{\pi_M} & M/M'' \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the inclusion homomorphisms. Clearly,  $f'$  is injective. This implies  $\dim_k M' \leq \dim_k M''$ . Similarly, we can show that  $\dim_k M'' \leq \dim_k M'$ . Hence we deduce that  $M' = M''$ .

The following lemma will be used often in what follows.

**2.2. LEMMA.** *For each  $i$ , the full subcategory  $\text{add } \Delta(i)$  is an abelian category. In particular, for any homomorphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $X, Y \in \text{add } \Delta(i)$ , the kernel  $\text{Ker}(f)$  and the cokernel  $\text{Cok}(f)$  of  $f$  belong to  $\text{add } \Delta(i)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\text{Ext}_A^1(\Delta(i), \Delta(i)) = 0$ , we have  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta(i)) = \text{add } \Delta(i)$ . Thus the lemma follows directly from  $\text{End}_A(\Delta(i)) \cong k$ .

For a module  $M \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)$  we denote by  $[M: \Delta(i)]$  the number of factors isomorphic to  $\Delta(i)$  in a  $\Delta$ -filtration of  $M$ .

**2.3. DEFINITION.** Define  $\mathcal{E}_i := \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i \setminus \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind}$  is a disjoint union of  $\mathcal{E}_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . We define a relation  $\leq'$  on  $\mathcal{E}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  as follows:

Suppose  $X, Y$  are in  $\mathcal{E}_i$ . We say  $X \leq' Y$  if and only if there is a homomorphism  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  such that  $f$  cannot factor through a module in  $\mathcal{F}'_X := \text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid [Z: \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X: \Delta(n-i+1)]\})$ , and we say  $X \leq Y$  if there are modules  $X_0 = X, X_1, \dots, X_m = Y$  in  $\mathcal{E}_i$  such that  $X_{j-1} \leq' X_j$  for all  $j$ . We shall prove that with this relation  $\leq$  the set  $\mathcal{E}_i$  is a partially ordered set.

**2.4. LEMMA.** *Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are two modules in  $\mathcal{E}_i$ . Let  $X'$  be the largest submodule of  $X$  such that  $X' \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$  and  $X/X' \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i+1))$ . If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a homomorphism which cannot factor through a module in  $\mathcal{F}'_Y$  then we have the commutative diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_X} & \Delta(n-i+1)^{[X: \Delta(n-i+1)]} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow f_0 & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow f' \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & Y' & \longrightarrow & Y & \xrightarrow{\pi_Y} & \Delta(n-i+1)^{[Y: \Delta(n-i+1)]} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

with  $f'$  surjective.

*Proof.* The existence of  $f_0$  follows from  $\text{Hom}_A(X', \Delta(n-i+1)) = 0$  by 2.1. Note that the image  $\text{Im}(f')$  of  $f'$  belongs to  $\text{add } \Delta(n-i+1)$  according to 2.2. Thus if  $\text{Im}(f') \neq \Delta(n-i+1)^{[Y: \Delta(n-i+1)]}$  then we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_X} & \Delta(n-i+1)^l \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow f_0 & \searrow f & \downarrow f & \searrow f' & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & Y' & \longrightarrow & L & \longrightarrow & \text{Im}(f') \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & \swarrow & \downarrow & \swarrow & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & Y' & \longrightarrow & Y & \xrightarrow{\pi_Y} & \Delta(n-i+1)^m \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

where  $L$  is the pullback of  $\pi_Y$  and the canonical inclusion, and  $l = [X: \Delta(n-i+1)]$  and  $m = [Y: \Delta(n-i+1)]$ . This means that  $f$  factors through the module  $L$  in  $\mathcal{S}_Y$  since  $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$  is closed under extensions and  $[\text{Im}(f'): \Delta(n-i+1)] < m$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\text{Im}(f') = \Delta(n-i+1)^m$  and the map  $f'$  is surjective.

2.5. LEMMA.  $(\mathcal{E}_i, \leq)$  is a partially ordered set.

*Proof.*

(1) If  $X \in \mathcal{E}_i$ , then  $X \leq X$ . This follows from the fact that the identity map  $1_X$  cannot factor through a module  $T$  in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{S}(\Delta))_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid [Z: \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X: \Delta(n-i+1)]\}$  because for each indecomposable summand  $T'$  of  $T$  there holds  $[T': \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X: \Delta(n-i+1)]$ .

(2) Suppose  $X, Y$  belong to  $\mathcal{E}_i$  with  $X \leq Y$  and  $Y \leq X$ . We want to show  $X \cong Y$ . By definition, we have modules  $X = X_0, X_1, \dots, X_m = Y$ ,  $Y = Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_l = X \in \mathcal{E}_i$  such that  $X_{i+1} \leq' X_i$  and  $Y_{j+1} \leq' Y_j$  for all  $i$  and  $j$ . Thus we have homomorphisms  $f_i: X_i \rightarrow X_{i+1}$  and  $g_{j+1}: Y_j \rightarrow Y_{j+1}$  such that  $f'_i$  and  $g'_j$  are surjective by 2.4. Since  $\pi_X(f'_0 \cdots f'_{m-1} g'_0 \cdots g'_{l-1}) = (f_0 \cdots f_{m-1} g_0 \cdots g_{l-1})\pi_X$  and  $\pi_X(f'_0 \cdots f'_{m-1} g'_0 \cdots g'_{l-1})$  is surjective, we know that  $f_0 \cdots f_{m-1} g_0 \cdots g_{l-1} \in \text{End}_A(X)$  is not nilpotent. Here,  $\pi_X$  is defined by 2.4. Therefore it follows from the fact that  $\text{End}_A(X)$  is a local algebra that  $f_0 \cdots f_{m-1} g_0 \cdots g_{l-1}$  is an isomorphism. Thus  $f_i, 0 \leq i \leq m-1$ , are isomorphisms and  $X \cong Y$ , as desired.

(3) The transitivity of  $\leq$  is obvious.

2.6. DEFINITION. Suppose  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra. Then  $(\mathcal{E}_i, \leq)$  is a finite poset. Now we enumerate the elements in  $\mathcal{E}_i$  as

$$X_{i1}, \dots, X_{il_i}$$

so that if  $X_{ij} \leq X_{ij'}$  then  $j < j'$ , where  $l_i = |\mathcal{E}_i|$ .

In order to prove the theorem, we use the following equivalent definition of quasi-hereditary algebras (for the proof of this fact see [CPS, R2]).

Let  $A$  be a finite-dimensional algebra. An ideal  $J$  of an algebra  $A$  is said to be a heredity ideal in  $A$  provided  $J$  is idempotent,  $J(\text{rad}(A))J = 0$  and  ${}_AJ$  is a projective  $A$ -module. The algebra  $A$  is called quasi-hereditary if there is a finite chain

$$0 = J_0 \subseteq J_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq J_m = A$$

of ideals in  $A$  such that  $J_{i+1}/J_i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq m-1$ , are heredity ideals in  $A/J_i$ . Such a chain is called a heredity chain for  $A$ .

*Proof of Theorem A.* Let  $E$  be the endomorphism algebra of the module  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n \bigoplus_{j=1}^{l_i} X_{ij}$  and let  $J_{it}$  be the ideal of  $E$  consisting of all endomorphisms  $f$  in  $E$  which factor through a module in  $\mathcal{T}_{it} := \text{add}(\bigoplus_{j=1}^{i-1} \bigoplus_{k=1}^{l_j} X_{jk} \oplus \bigoplus_{j=1}^t X_{ij}) = \text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{X_{i1}, \dots, X_{it}\})$ . We shall prove that

$$0 = J_{00} \subseteq J_{11} \subseteq J_{21} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq J_{2l_2} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq J_{n1} \subseteq J_{n2} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq J_{nl_n} = E$$

is a heredity chain of  $E$ .

Let us introduce some further notation. Given a module  $X \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind}$ , we denote by  $e_X$  the endomorphism in  $E$  which projects canonically  $\bigoplus X_{ij}$  onto  $X$ . Thus, the elements  $e_X$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind}$ , form a complete set of pairwise orthogonal primitive idempotents of  $E$ . Note that for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind}$ , we can identify  $e_X E e_Y$  with  $\text{Hom}_A(X, Y)$ . If  $N$  is the radical of  $E$  then  $e_X N e_Y$  is the set of noninvertible maps in  $\text{Hom}_A(X, Y)$ . Put  $\bar{E} = E/J_{i, i-1}$  and  $J_{it} = J_{it}/J_{i, i-1}$ . For an element  $x \in E$ , the residue class in  $\bar{E}$  of  $x$  is denoted by  $\bar{x}$  in what follows. For a module  $X \in \mathcal{E}_i$  we define  $\mathcal{T}_X := \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid [Z : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]\}$ .

**2.7. LEMMA.** *Every non-invertible homomorphism from  $X_{it}$  to  $X_{it}$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid Z < X_{it}\})$ . In particular,  $\bar{e}_{X_{it}} \bar{E} \bar{e}_{X_{it}} \cong k$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed, if we take a map  $f: X_{it} \rightarrow X_{it}$  which is not invertible, then  $f$  is nilpotent since  $\text{End}_A(X_{it})$  is a local algebra. Set  $X = X_{it}$ . Let  $X'$  be the maximal submodule of  $X$  with  $X' \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$ . Then we consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Delta(n-i+1)^{[X: \Delta(n-i+1)]} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow f' \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Delta(n-i+1)^{[Y: \Delta(n-i+1)]} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

with  $f'$  nilpotent. This means that the image of  $f'$  is properly contained in  $\Delta(n-i+1)^{[X: \Delta(n-i+1)]}$  and  $[\text{Im}(f') : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]$ .

As in the proof of 2.4 we see that  $f$  factors through a module  $L \in \text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid [Z : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]\})$ . Suppose  $L = L_0 \oplus L_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus L_s$  with  $L_0 \in \text{add} \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$  and  $L_j \in \mathcal{T}_X = \{Z \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid [Z : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]\}$ , and  $f = (f_0, \dots, f_s)(g_0, \dots, g_s)^t$  with  $f_j: X \rightarrow L_j$  and  $g_j: L_j \rightarrow X$ . Clearly,  $L_j$  is not isomorphic to  $X$  for all  $j$ . If  $f_j$  is a homomorphism such that  $L_j <' X$  then we have what we wanted. So we may assume that all  $f_j$  factor through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \mathcal{T}_{L_j})$ , say  $f_j = (f_{j0}, \dots, f_{j, s(j)})(g_{j0}, \dots, g_{j, s(j)})^t$  with  $f_{ji}: X \rightarrow L_{ji}$  and  $L_{ji} \in \mathcal{T}_{L_j}$ . If  $f_{ji}$  is a homomorphism such that  $L_{ji} <' X$  then we have what we desired. If not, we decompose  $f_{ji}$  into  $f_{ji} = (f_{ji0}, \dots, f_{ji, s(ji)})(g_{ji0}, \dots, g_{ji, s(ji)})^t$  with  $f_{jik}: X \rightarrow L_{jik}$  and  $L_{jik} \in \mathcal{T}_{L_{ji}}$  and repeat the above discussion. If we continue this procedure we see that after finitely many steps we must stop since

$$\begin{aligned} [L_{jik} : \Delta(n-i+1)] &< [L_{ji} : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [L_j : \Delta(n-i+1)] \\ &< [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]. \end{aligned}$$

this shows that  $f$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid Z <' X\})$ .

With the same argument as that in the proof of 2.7, we have the following

**2.7'. LEMMA.** *Suppose  $X, Y$  are modules in  $\mathcal{C}_i$ . If  $X \not\leq' Y$ , then every homomorphism  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid Z <' Y\})$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $X \not\leq' Y$ , by definition the homomorphism  $f$  factors over a module  $L_0 \oplus L_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus L_s$  with  $L_0 \in \text{add} \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$  and  $L_j \in \mathcal{T}_X$  for all  $j > 0$ , say  $f = (f_0, \dots, f_s)(g_0, \dots, g_s)^t$  with  $f_j: Y \rightarrow L_j$ . If  $f_j$  is a map such that  $L_j <' Y$ , then we have done what we wanted. If  $Y \cong L_j$ , then  $f_j$  can be assumed to be nilpotent. (Otherwise we can omit this direct summand.) By 2.7, this  $f_j$  factors over a desired module. So we may assume that all  $L_j$  are not isomorphic to  $Y$  and all  $f_j$  factor through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \mathcal{T}_{L_j})$ . Let us decompose  $f_j$  as  $(f_{j0}, \dots, f_{j, s(j)})(g_{j0}, \dots, g_{j, s(j)})^t$  with  $f_{ji}: Y \rightarrow L_{ji}$  and  $L_{ji} \in \mathcal{T}_{L_j}$  for  $j \neq 0$  and  $L_{j0} \in \text{add} \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$ . As above we may assume that all  $L_{ji}$  are not isomorphic to  $Y$  and all  $f_{ji}$  for  $i \neq 0$  factor through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{T}_{L_{ji}} \cup \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1})$ , namely,  $f_{ji} = (f_{ji0}, \dots, f_{ji, s(ji)})(g_{ji0}, \dots, g_{ji, s(ji)})^t$  for all  $j, i$  with  $f_{jik}: Y \rightarrow L_{jik}$  and  $L_{jik} \in \mathcal{T}_{L_{ji}}$ . Since  $[L_{jik} : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [L_{ji} : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [L_j : \Delta(n-i+1)] < [X : \Delta(n-i+1)]$ , we see that this procedure must stop after finitely many steps, and then we have that  $f$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid Z <' Y\})$ .

2.8. LEMMA.  $\bar{J}_{i,t}$  is a projective left  $\bar{E}$ -module.

*Proof.* We use a result of [DR1] which says that an idempotent ideal  $AeA$  of a given algebra  $A$  generated by an idempotent  $e$  with  $e(\text{rad}(A))e = 0$  is a projective left  $A$ -module if and only if the multiplication map

$$Ae \otimes_{eAe} eA \rightarrow AeA$$

is bijective. Hence it is enough to show that the multiplication map

$$\bar{e}_Y \bar{E} \bar{e}_X \otimes_{\bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_X} \bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_Z \rightarrow \bar{e}_Y \bar{E} \bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_Z \quad (*)$$

is bijective for all  $Z, Y \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)\text{-ind}$ . (Recall that here  $X = X_{it}$ .)

By Lemma 2.7,  $\bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_X \cong k$ , so the elements of  $\bar{e}_Y \bar{E} \bar{e}_X \otimes_{\bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_X} \bar{e}_X \bar{E} \bar{e}_Z$  are of the form  $\sum_{i=1}^c \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \bar{\delta}_i$ , where  $x_i \in \text{Hom}_A(Y, X)$  and  $\delta_i \in \text{Hom}_A(X, Z)$ . Suppose there is an element  $u = \sum_{i=1}^c \bar{x}_i \otimes \bar{\delta}_i$  such that  $\sum \bar{x}_i \bar{\delta}_i = 0$ . We may assume that  $\bar{x}_i \neq 0 \neq \bar{\delta}_i$  for all  $i$ . Then  $Z, Y \in \{X_{i,t}, \dots, X_{it}\} \cup \mathcal{E}_{i+1} \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{E}_n$ . Let  $X'$  be the maximal submodule of  $X$  such that  $X' \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$  and  $X/X' \in \text{add } \Delta(n-i+1)$ . Similarly, let  $Z''$  be the maximal submodule of  $Z$  such that  $Z'' \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i$  and  $Z/Z'' \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta(1), \dots, \Delta(n-i))$ . Since  $\text{Hom}_A(\mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i+1), \Delta(n-i+2), \dots, \Delta(n)), \mathcal{F}(\Delta(1), \dots, \Delta(n-i))) = 0$ , we see that there is a homomorphism from  $X'$  to  $Z''$  and then a homomorphism  $\delta_i''$  from  $\Delta(n-i+1)^{[X:\Delta(n-i+1)]}$  to  $Z/Z''$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_X} & \Delta(n-i+1)^{[X:\Delta(n-i+1)]} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_i & & \downarrow \delta_i'' \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & Z'' & \xrightarrow{\mu} & Z & \longrightarrow & Z/Z'' \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Again by Lemma 2.1,  $\delta_i'' = 0$  holds. Thus there exists a homomorphism  $\gamma_i: X \rightarrow Z''$  such that  $\delta_i = \gamma_i \mu$ . Now suppose  $Z'' = Z_0 \oplus Z_1 \oplus \dots \oplus Z_m$  with  $Z_0 \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1}$  and  $Z_j \in \mathcal{E}_i$  for all  $j > 0$ , and  $\gamma_i = (\gamma_{i0}, \dots, \gamma_{im})$  as well as  $\mu = (\mu_0, \dots, \mu_m)'$ , then  $\bar{\delta}_i = \bar{\gamma}_i \bar{\mu} = \sum_{j=0}^m \bar{\gamma}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j$ . Since  $\bar{\delta}_i \neq 0$ , we may assume that  $\bar{\gamma}_{ij} \neq 0$  for  $j \neq 0$ . If there is some  $Z_j$  such that  $Z_j \not\leq X$ , then  $Z_j \not\leq X$ . By Lemma 2.7',  $\gamma_{ij}$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid Z < X\})$ ; in particular,  $\gamma_{ij}$  factors through a module in  $\text{add}(\mathcal{F}(\Delta)_{i-1} \cup \{Z \in \mathcal{E}_i \mid Z < X\})$ ; in particular,  $\gamma_{ij}$  factors through a module in  $\mathcal{F}_{i,t-1}$  and we would have  $\bar{\gamma}_{ij} = 0$ . Thus we can assume that  $Z_j \leq X$  for all  $j > 0$ . Hence we can identify all  $Z_j$  with  $X$  and regard  $\gamma_{ij}$  as an endomorphism of  $Z_j$ . According to 2.7, one can write



$\bar{\gamma}_{ij} = \bar{\alpha}_{ij}$  for some  $\alpha_{ij} \in k$ . Since  $\sum x_i \delta_i = \sum x_i (\gamma_i \mu) = \sum_{i=1}^c \sum_{j=1}^m x_i \gamma_{ij} \mu_j$  and  $0 = \sum \bar{x}_i \bar{\gamma}_i = \sum_{i,j} \bar{x}_i \bar{\gamma}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j = \sum_{i,j} \bar{x}_i \bar{\alpha}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j = \sum_{j=1}^m (\sum_i \bar{x}_i \alpha_{ij}) \bar{\mu}_j$ , one finds that there is a module  $T \in \mathcal{F}_{i,t-1}$  such that  $\sum_{ij} x_i \alpha_{ij} \mu_j$  factors through the module  $T$ , say  $\sum_j (\sum_i x_i \alpha_{ij}) \mu_j = fg$ . Now consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & Y & \xrightarrow{f} & T & & \\
 & & \downarrow (\sum_i x_i \alpha_{i1}, \dots, \sum_i x_i \alpha_{im}) & & \downarrow g & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & Z_1 \oplus \dots \oplus Z_m & \xrightarrow{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_m)'} & Z & \longrightarrow & C \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow (0, 1) & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & Z'' & \xrightarrow{\mu} & Z & \longrightarrow & Z/Z'' \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

where  $C$  is the cokernel of  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_m)'$ . Since  $T \in \text{add } \mathcal{F}(\Delta)_i = \mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i+1), \dots, \Delta(n))$  and  $Z/Z'' \in \mathcal{F}(\Delta(1), \dots, \Delta(n-i))$ , again by  $\text{Hom}_A(\mathcal{F}(\Delta(n-i+1), \dots, \Delta(n)), \mathcal{F}(\Delta(1), \dots, \Delta(n-i))) = 0$  one obtains a homomorphism  $\varphi: T \rightarrow Z''$  such that  $g = \varphi\mu$ . This implies that  $f\varphi = (\sum_i x_i \alpha_{i1}, \dots, \sum_i x_i \alpha_{im})(0, 1)$  because  $\mu$  is injective. If we decompose  $\varphi$  into  $(\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ , then  $\sum x_i \alpha_{ij} = f\varphi_j$  for all  $j \geq 1$ . This means that  $\sum_i x_i \alpha_{ij}$  factors through the module  $T$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{i,t-1}$ , and therefore,  $\sum_i \bar{x}_i \bar{\alpha}_{ij} = 0$  for all  $j$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \bar{\delta}_i &= \sum \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \bar{\gamma}_i \bar{\mu} = \sum_{i=1}^c \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \sum_{j=1}^m \bar{\gamma}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j \\
 &= \sum_{ij} \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \bar{\gamma}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j = \sum_{ij} \bar{x}_i \otimes_k \bar{\alpha}_{ij} \bar{\mu}_j \\
 &= \sum_{ij} \bar{x}_i \alpha_{ij} \otimes_k \bar{\mu}_j = \sum_{ij} \bar{x}_i \bar{\alpha}_{ij} \otimes_k \bar{\mu}_j \\
 &= \sum_j \left( \sum_i \bar{x}_i \bar{\alpha}_{ij} \right) \otimes_k \bar{\mu}_j = \sum_j 0 \otimes_k \bar{\mu}_j \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $u = 0$  and the multiplication map  $(*)$  is bijective. This finishes the proof of the theorem.

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREM B

A well-known result of M. Auslander says that if an algebra is representation-finite then the endomorphism algebra of the direct sum of all

non-isomorphic indecomposable modules is always a left QF-3 algebra. In this section we study a similar question for  $\mathcal{A}(\Delta)$  of quasi-hereditary algebras. As the example in Section 4 shows, for  $\mathcal{A}(\Delta)$  the situation is very different, though the endomorphism algebra  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{A}(\Delta))$  is quasi-hereditary. Even if the quasi-hereditary algebra itself is a left QF-3 algebra, the endomorphism algebra may not be a left QF-3 algebra (see 4.3 below).

Let us first recall the definition of left QF-3 algebras.

**3.1. DEFINITION.** An algebra  $A$  is called a left QF-3 algebra if there is a faithful left projective, injective  $A$ -module.

This definition is equivalent to that in [T, pp. 40–42]: An algebra is called a left QF-algebra if it has a minimal faithful left module.

For a finite additive  $k$ -category  $\mathcal{X}$  we denote by  $\text{End}(\mathcal{X})$  the endomorphism algebra of the direct sum of all non-isomorphic indecomposable objects in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**3.2. THEOREM.** Let  $A$  be an  $\mathcal{A}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra with the characteristic module  $T = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n T(i)$ . Suppose  $T = T_0 \oplus T_1$  with  $T_0$  an injective module and  $T_1$  having no injective direct summand. Then  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{A}(\Delta))$  is a left QF-3 algebra if and only if  $T_0$  cogenerates  $T_1$ .

The theorem follows from the following more general fact.

**3.3. PROPOSITION.** Let  $A$  be an algebra and  $\mathcal{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_m\}$  a finite class of indecomposable  $A$ -modules such that  ${}_A A \in \text{add } \mathcal{X}$ . Then  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{X})$  is a left QF-3 algebra if and only if there is an injective module  $U$  in  $\text{add } \mathcal{X}$  such that  $U$  cogenerates  $\mathcal{X}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m X_i$  and  $X_i \not\cong X_j$  for  $i \neq j$ . Suppose  $E := \text{End}_A(X)$  is a left QF-3 algebra. Then, by definition, there is a minimal faithful module which is of the form  $Ee$  with  $e$  an idempotent, say  $Ee = \text{Hom}_A(X, X_1) \oplus \dots \oplus \text{Hom}_A(X, X_s)$  with  $s \leq m$ . We shall show first that  $U := \bigoplus_{i=1}^s X_i$  cogenerates  $\mathcal{X}$ . In fact, given a module  $X_t \in \mathcal{X}$ , there is a natural number  $t$  and an injective  $E$ -homomorphism  $\varphi$  such that

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(X, X_t) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Hom}_A(X, U^t)$$

is an exact sequence. Since  $\text{add } \mathcal{X}$  and the full subcategory consisting of all projective  $E$ -modules are equivalent,  $\varphi$  is induced by an  $A$ -homomorphism  $\alpha: X_t \rightarrow U^t$  such that  $\text{Hom}_A(X, \alpha) = \varphi$ . We claim that  $\alpha$  is an injective map. Let  $P$  be the projective cover of the kernel  $\ker(\alpha)$  of  $\alpha$ . Then we have the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & P & & & \\ & \downarrow \pi' & \searrow \pi & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \ker(\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\mu} & X \xrightarrow{\alpha} U^t \end{array}$$

and apply  $\text{Hom}_A(X, -)$  to it, we get  $\text{Hom}_A(X, \pi)\varphi = 0$ . Thus  $\text{Hom}_A(X, \pi) = 0$  and  $\text{Hom}_A(X, \pi') = 0$ . On the other hand, since  $X$  contains a copy of each indecomposable direct summand of  $P$ , we must have  $\pi' = 0$ . This implies that  $\alpha$  is injective.

To finish the proof, it suffices to show that all  $X_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq s$ , are injective  $A$ -modules. Toward this goal we require the following lemma in [T, p. 51]:

**3.4. LEMMA.** *Let  $R$  be a left QF-3 algebra and  $Re$  a minimal faithful left ideal with  $e$  an idempotent. If  $fR$  is a faithful projective right ideal in  $R$  with  $f$  an idempotent, then  $fRfRe$  is injective.*

By  $e_M$ ,  $M \in \{X_1, \dots, X_m\}$ , we denote the endomorphism in  $E$  which projects  $X$  canonically onto  $M$ . Let  ${}_A A = P_1 \oplus \dots \oplus P_n$  with  $P_j$  indecomposable and  $f = e_{P_1} + \dots + e_{P_n}$  and  $e = e_{X_1} + \dots + e_{X_s}$ . Then

- (1)  $Ee = \text{Hom}_A(X, U)$  is a minimal faithful left ideal in  $E$ , and
- (2)  $fE = \text{Hom}_A({}_A A, X)$  is a projective right ideal of  $E$  and faithful.

Hence the hypotheses of Lemma 3.4 are satisfied, and so the  $fEf$ -module  $fEe$  is injective. Since  $fEf \cong A$  and  $fEe \cong U$  as  $A$ -modules, we have the injectivity of the module  $U$ .

Conversely, suppose there is an injective module  $U = \bigoplus_{j=1}^s X_j$  such that  $U$  cogenerates  $\mathcal{X}$ . Put  $e = \sum_{j=1}^s e_{X_j}$ . We claim that  $Ee$  is a faithful projective, injective left ideal in  $E$ . It is clear that  $Ee = \text{Hom}_A(X, U)$  is a faithful  $E$ -module since  $U$  cogenerates  $\mathcal{X}$ . For each  $X_j$  with  $1 \leq j \leq s$ , we may write  $X_j = D(e'_j A)$  with  $e'_j$  a primitive idempotent of  $A$  and  $D = \text{Hom}_k(-, k)$ . It follows now from

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_A({}_A X_E, X_j) &= \text{Hom}_A({}_A X_E, D(e'_j A)) = \text{Hom}_A(X, \text{Hom}_k(e'_j A, k)) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_k(e'_j A \otimes_A X_E, k) = \text{Hom}_k(e'_j X_E, k) \\ &= \text{Hom}_k(\text{Hom}_A(Ae'_j, X_E), k) \\ &= D \text{Hom}_A(Ae'_j, X) \end{aligned}$$

that  $Ee_{X_j}$  is an injective  $E$ -module. Hence  $Ee$  is an injective  $E$ -module. This finishes the proof.

**3.5. COROLLARY.** *Suppose  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra. If  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{F}(\Delta))$  is a left QF-3 algebra then so is  $\text{End}_A(T)$ .*

*Proof.* This follows from Theorem B and 3.3.

# 4. EXAMPLES

In this section we give some examples related to the results in this paper. For the terminology on quivers we refer to [R1, Chap. 2].

4.1. The algebra  $\text{End } \mathcal{A}(\Delta)$  may have arbitrary finite global dimension. Let  $A$  be the algebra with radical-square-zero given by the quiver

$$2 \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow \cdots \leftarrow n-1 \leftarrow n, \quad n \geq 4.$$

Then  $A$  is quasi-hereditary and  $\Delta(i) = E(i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and  $\Delta(i) = P(i)$  for  $3 \leq i \leq n$ . One can easily write out the Auslander–Reiten quiver of  $A$  and then see that the global dimension of  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{A}(\Delta))$  is  $n - 2$ .

4.2. The converse of 3.5 is not true if one considers the quasi-hereditary algebra given by the quiver

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 4 \end{array} \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow 1$$

If one computes  $\text{End}_A(T)$  then it is given by the quiver  $2 \xleftarrow{\gamma} 4 \xleftarrow{\beta} 3 \xleftarrow{\alpha} 1$  with the relation  $\alpha\beta\gamma = 0$ . It is clear that  $\text{End}_A(T)$  is a left QF-3 algebra but the maximal injective direct summand of  $T$  cannot cogenerate  $T$ .

4.3. Let  $A$  be the hereditary algebra given by the quiver

$$2 \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow 3.$$

Then  $A$  is a left QF-3 algebra and an  $\mathcal{A}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra. An easy computation shows that  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{A}(\Delta))$  is given by the quiver

$$\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \circ \end{array} \leftarrow \circ$$

with only one zero-relation. It is obvious that this algebra is not a left QF-3 algebra.

4.4. One can easily see that there do exist quasi-hereditary algebras that are not of the form  $\text{End}_A \mathcal{A}(\Delta)$  for any  $\mathcal{A}(\Delta)$ -finite quasi-hereditary algebra  $A$ . For instance, the algebra given by the quiver

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

with relation  $\alpha\beta = 0$  is clearly not of the form  $\text{End}_A(\mathcal{A}(\Delta))$  for any quasi-hereditary algebra  $A$ .

It would be interesting to determine which quasi-hereditary algebras are of this form.

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