# THE DIMENSION FORMULA OF THE CYCLIC HOMOLOGY OF TRUNCATED QUIVER ALGEBRAS OVER A FIELD OF POSITIVE CHARACTERISTIC

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ABSTRACT. This paper is based on my talk given at the Symposium on Ring Theory and Representation Theory held at Tokyo University of Science, Japan, 10-12 October 2013. In this paper, we give the dimension formula of the cyclic homology of truncated quiver algebras over a field of positive characteristic. This is done by using a mixed complex due to Cibils.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Delta$  be a finite quiver and K a field. We fix a positive integer  $m \geq 2$ . The truncated quiver algebra is defined by  $K\Delta/R^m_{\Delta}$  where  $R^m_{\Delta}$  is the two-sided ideal of  $K\Delta$  generated by the all paths of length m.

In [8], Sköldberg computes the Hochschild homology of a truncated quiver algebra A over a commutative ring using an explicit description of the minimal left  $A^e$ -projective resolution  $\boldsymbol{P}$  of A. He also computes the Hochschild homology of quadratic monomial algebras. On the other hand, Cibils gives a useful projective resolution  $\boldsymbol{Q}$  for more general algebras in [3].

If A is a K-algebra with a decomposition  $A = E \oplus r$ , where E is a separable subalgebra of A and r a two-sided ideal of A, then Cibils ([4]) gives the *E*-normalized mixed complex. Sköldberg [9] gives the chain maps between the left  $A^e$ -projective resolution given in [8] and Q above for a quadratic monomial algebra A, and he obtains the module structure of the cyclic homology by computing the  $E^2$ -term of a spectral sequence determined by the above mixed complex due to Cibils.

In [1], Ames, Cagliero and Tirao give chain maps between the left  $A^e$ -projective resolutions P and Q of a truncated quiver algebra A over commutative ring. In this paper, by means of these chain maps, we obtain the dimension formula of the cyclic homology of truncated quiver algebras over a field.

On the other hand, by means of [7, Theorem 4.1.13], Taillefer [10] gives a dimension formula for the cyclic homology of truncated quiver algebras over a field of characteristic zero. Our result generalizes the formula into the case of the field of any characteristic.

### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\Delta$  be a finite quiver and  $m \geq 2$  a positive integer. For  $\alpha \in \Delta_1$ , its source and target are denoted by  $s(\alpha)$  and  $t(\alpha)$ , respectively. A path in  $\Delta$  is a sequence of arrows

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 $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_n$  such that  $t(\alpha_i) = s(\alpha_{i+1})$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, n-1$ . The set of all paths of length n is denoted by  $\Delta_n$ .

By adjoining the element  $\perp$ , we will consider the following set (cf. [8], [9]):

$$\hat{\Delta} = \{\bot\} \cup \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \Delta_i.$$

This set is a semigroup with the multiplication defined by

$$\delta \cdot \gamma = \begin{cases} \delta \gamma & \text{if } t(\delta) = s(\gamma), \\ \bot & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \delta, \gamma \in \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \Delta_i,$$

and

$$\bot \cdot \gamma = \gamma \cdot \bot = \bot, \quad \gamma \in \hat{\Delta}.$$

Let K be a commutative ring. Then  $K\hat{\Delta}$  is a semigroup algebra and the path algebra  $K\Delta$  is isomorphic to  $K\hat{\Delta}/(\perp)$ . So,  $K\Delta$  is a  $\hat{\Delta}$ -graded algebra with a basis consisting of the paths in  $\Delta$ . Moreover,  $K\Delta$  is N-graded, that is,  $K\Delta = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} K\Delta_i$ . In particular,  $R^m_{\Delta}$  is  $\hat{\Delta}$ -graded and N-graded, thus the truncated quiver algebra  $A = K\Delta/R^m_{\Delta}$  is a  $\hat{\Delta}$ -graded and N-graded.

For an N-graded vector space V,  $V_+$  is defined by  $V_+ = \bigoplus_{i>1} V_i$ .

Let  $\Delta$  be a finite quiver. For a path  $\gamma$ ,  $|\gamma|$  denotes the length of  $\gamma$ . A path  $\gamma$  is said to be a cycle if  $|\gamma| \geq 1$  and its source and target coincide. The period of a cycle  $\gamma$  is defined by the smallest integer i such that  $\gamma = \delta^j$   $(j \geq 1)$  for a cycle  $\delta$  of length i, which is denoted by per  $\gamma$ . A cycle is said to be a basic cycle if the length of the cycle coincides with its period. It is also called a proper cycle [5]. Denote by  $\Delta_n^c$  (respectively  $\Delta_n^b$ ) the set of cycles (respectively basic cycles) of length n. Let  $G_n = \langle t_n \rangle$  be the cyclic group of order n and the path  $\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{n-1} \alpha_n$  a cycle where  $\alpha_i$  is an arrow in  $\Delta$ . Then we define the action of  $G_n$  on  $\Delta_n^c$  by  $t_n \cdot (\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{n-1} \alpha_n) := \alpha_n \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{n-1}$ , and  $\Delta_n^c/G_n$  denotes the set of all  $G_n$ -orbits on  $\Delta_n^c$ . Similarly,  $G_n$  acts on  $\Delta_n^b$ , and  $\Delta_n^b/G_n$  denotes the set of all  $G_n$ -orbits on  $\Delta_n^b$ . For  $\bar{\gamma} \in \Delta_n^c/G_n$ , we define the period per  $\bar{\gamma}$  of  $\bar{\gamma}$  by per  $\gamma$ . For convenience we use the notation  $\Delta_0^c/G_0$  for the set of vertices  $\Delta_0$ . Throughout this paper,  $\alpha_i (i \geq 0)$  denotes an arrow in  $\Delta$ .

### 3. The Hochschild homology of truncated quiver algebras

In this section, we intoroduce the Hochschild homology of truncated quiver algebra in [8].

**Theorem 1** ([8, Theorem 1]). The following is a projective  $\Delta$ -graded resolution of A as a left  $A^e$ -module:

$$\boldsymbol{P}:\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} P_i \xrightarrow{d_i} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_2} P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A \longrightarrow 0.$$

Here the modules are defined by

$$P_i = A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} K\Gamma^{(i)} \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A,$$

where  $\Gamma^{(i)}$  is given by

$$\Gamma^{(i)} = \begin{cases} \Delta_{cm} & \text{if } i = 2c \ (c \ge 0), \\ \Delta_{cm+1} & \text{if } i = 2c+1 \ (c \ge 0), \end{cases}$$

and the differentials are defined by

$$d_{2c}(\alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm} \otimes \beta) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \alpha \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_j \otimes \alpha_{1+j} \cdots \alpha_{(c-1)m+1+j} \otimes \alpha_{(c-1)m+2+j} \cdots \alpha_{cm} \beta,$$

and

 $d_{2c+1}(\alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm+1} \otimes \beta) = \alpha \alpha_1 \otimes \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_{cm+1} \otimes \beta - \alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm} \otimes \alpha_{cm+1} \beta.$ 

The augmentation  $\varepsilon \colon A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} K\Delta_0 \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \cong A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \longrightarrow A$  is defined by

$$\varepsilon(\alpha \otimes \beta) = \alpha\beta.$$

**Theorem 2** ([8, Theorem 2]). Let K be a commutative ring and A a truncated quiver algebra  $K\Delta/R_{\Delta}^m$  and q = cm + e for  $0 \le e \le m - 1$ . Then the degree q part of the pth Hochschild homology  $HH_p(A)$  is given by

$$HH_{p,q}(A) = \begin{cases} K^{a_q} & \text{if } 1 \leq e \leq m-1 \text{ and } 2c \leq p \leq 2c+1, \\ \bigoplus_{r|q} \left( K^{\gcd(m,r)-1} \oplus \operatorname{Ker} \left( \cdot \frac{m}{\gcd(m,r)} : K \longrightarrow K \right) \right)^{b_r} \\ \text{if } e = 0 \text{ and } 0 < 2c-1 = p, \\ \bigoplus_{r|q} \left( K^{\gcd(m,r)-1} \oplus \operatorname{Coker} \left( \cdot \frac{m}{\gcd(m,r)} : K \longrightarrow K \right) \right)^{b_r} \\ \text{if } e = 0 \text{ and } 0 < 2c = p, \\ K^{\#\Delta_0} & \text{if } p = q = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Here we set  $a_q := #(\Delta_q^c/G_q)$  and  $b_r := #(\Delta_r^b/G_r)$ .

# 4. Main result

In this section, by means of chain maps which are given by Ames, Cagliero, Tirao, we determine the dimension formula of the cyclic homology of truncated quiver algebra.

**Lemma 3** ([3, Lemma 1.1]). Let  $\Delta$  be a finite quiver, I an admissible ideal,  $K\Delta_0$  the subalgebra of  $A = K\Delta/I$  generated by  $\Delta_0$  and r the Jacobson radical of A. The following

is a projective resolution of A as a left  $A^e$ -module:

$$\boldsymbol{Q}: \dots \longrightarrow A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} r^{\otimes_{K\Delta_0}^i} \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \xrightarrow{d_i} A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} r^{\otimes_{K\Delta_0}^{i-1}} \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \longrightarrow \dots$$
$$\longrightarrow A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} r \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \xrightarrow{d_1} A \otimes_{K\Delta_0} A \xrightarrow{d_0} A \longrightarrow 0,$$

where

$$d_{0}(\lambda[]\mu) = \lambda\mu,$$
  

$$d_{i}(\lambda[x_{1}|\cdots|x_{i}]\mu) = \lambda x_{1}[x_{2}|\cdots|x_{i}]\mu + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (-1)^{i}\lambda[x_{1}|\cdots|x_{j}x_{j+1}|\cdots|x_{i}]\mu$$
  

$$+ (-1)^{i}\lambda[x_{1}|\cdots|x_{i-1}]x_{i}\mu \quad for \ i \ge 1,$$

and we use the bar notation  $\lambda[x_1|\cdots|x_i]\mu$  for  $\lambda \otimes x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_i \otimes \mu$ .

Cibils constructs the following mixed complex.

**Theorem 4** ([4], [9]). Let  $\Delta$  be a finite quiver, K a field, and  $A = K\Delta/I$  for I a homogeneous ideal. Define the mixed complex  $(C_{K\Delta_0}(A), b, B)$  by

$$C_{K\Delta_0}(A)_n = A \otimes_{K\Delta_0^e} A_+^{\otimes_{K\Delta_0}^n},$$

and

$$b(x_0[x_1|\cdots|x_n]) = x_0x_1[x_2|\cdots|x_n] + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^i x_0[x_1|\cdots|x_ix_{i+1}|\cdots|x_n] + (-1)^n x_n x_0[x_1|\cdots|x_{n-1}], B(x_0[x_1|\cdots|x_n]) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{in} [x_i|\cdots|x_n|x_0|\cdots|x_{i-1}].$$

Then  $HH_n(C_{K\Delta_0}(A)) = HH_n(A)$  and  $HC_n(C_{K\Delta_0}(A)) = HC_n(A)$ .

In particular, if A is a truncated quiver algebra  $K\Delta/R^m_{\Delta}(m \geq 2)$ , then the map B in  $(C_{K\Delta_0}(A), b, B)$  respects the  $\Delta^c_*/G_*$ -grading (cf. [9]). Furthermore if we consider the double complex  $\mathcal{B}C$  associate to this mixed complex and filter the total complex Tot  $\mathcal{B}C$ by the column filtration, then the resulting spectral sequence is  $\Delta^c_*/G_*$ -graded. Thus  $HC_n(A)$  is  $\Delta^c_*/G_*$ -graded. Moreover, for  $\bar{\gamma} \in \Delta^c_*/G_*$  the degree  $\bar{\gamma}$  part of the  $E^1$ -term of this spectral sequence is  $E^1_{p,q,\bar{\gamma}} = HH_{q-p,\bar{\gamma}}(A)$ .

On the other hand, Ames, Cagliero and Tirao find the chain maps between the left  $A^e$ -projective resolutions  $\boldsymbol{P}$  and  $\boldsymbol{Q}$  of a truncated quiver algebra A over an arbitrary field as follows:

**Proposition 5** ([1]). Define the map  $\iota : \mathbf{P} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Q}$  as follows:

$$\begin{split} \iota_0(\alpha \otimes \beta) &= \alpha[ ]\beta, \ \iota_1(\alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \otimes \beta) = \alpha[\alpha_1]\beta, \\ \iota_{2c}(\alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm} \otimes \beta) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq j_1, \dots, j_c \leq m-2} \alpha[\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{1+j_1} | \alpha_{2+j_1} | \alpha_{3+j_1} \cdots \alpha_{3+j_1+j_2} | \alpha_{4+j_1+j_2} | \cdots \\ & |\alpha_{2c-1+j_1+\dots+j_{c-1}} \cdots \alpha_{2c-1+j_1+\dots+j_c} | \alpha_{2c+j_1+\dots+j_c} ] \alpha_{2c+1+j_1+\dots+j_c} \cdots \alpha_{cm}\beta, \\ \iota_{2c+1}(\alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm+1} \otimes \beta) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq j_1, \dots, j_c \leq m-2} \alpha[\alpha_1 | \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_{2+j_1} | \alpha_{3+j_1} | \alpha_{4+j_1} \cdots \alpha_{4+j_1+j_2} | \alpha_{5+j_1+j_2} | \cdots \\ & |\alpha_{2c+j_1+\dots+j_{c-1}} \cdots \alpha_{2c+j_1+\dots+j_c} | \alpha_{2c+1+j_1+\dots+j_c} ] \alpha_{2c+2+j_1+\dots+j_c} \cdots \alpha_{cm+1}\beta. \end{split}$$

Then,  $\iota$  is a chain map.

**Proposition 6** ([1]). Let  $m_i$  be a positive integer for any  $i \ge 1$ . Suppose that  $x_i$  is the path  $\alpha_{m_1+\dots+m_{i-1}+1}\cdots\alpha_{m_1+\dots+m_i}$  of length  $m_i$ . Define the map  $\pi: \mathbf{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbf{P}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_0(\alpha[\quad]\beta) &= \alpha \otimes \beta, \\ \pi_1(\alpha[x_1]\beta) &= \sum_{j=1}^{m_1} \alpha \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{j-1} \otimes \alpha_j \otimes \alpha_{j+1} \cdots \alpha_{m_1} \beta, \\ \pi_{2c}(\alpha[x_1|x_2|\cdots|x_{2c}]\beta) &= \begin{cases} \alpha \otimes \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{cm} \otimes \alpha_{cm+1} \cdots \alpha_{m_1+\cdots+m_{2c}} \beta \\ 0 & \text{if } m_{2i-1} + m_{2i} \geq m \text{ (} 1 \leq i \leq c\text{)}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \pi_{2c+1}(\alpha[x_1|x_2|\cdots|x_{2c+1}]\beta) &= \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{m_1} \alpha \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{j-1} \otimes \alpha_j \cdots \alpha_{j+cm} \otimes \\ \alpha_{j+cm+1} \cdots \alpha_{m_1+\cdots+m_{2c+1}} \beta \\ \text{if } m_{2i} + m_{2i+1} \geq m \text{ (} 1 \leq i \leq c\text{)}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $\pi$  is a chain map and  $\pi \iota = id_{\mathbf{P}}$ .

By investigating the basis of the Hochschild homology and finding the chain maps between the projective resolutions  $\boldsymbol{P}$  and  $\boldsymbol{Q}$ , we are able to compute  $B: HH_{p,\bar{\gamma}}(A) \longrightarrow$  $HH_{p+1,\bar{\gamma}}(A)$  induced by the differential of the Cibils' mixed complex. Moreover, for  $\bar{\gamma} \in$  $\Delta_t^c/G_t$  we are able to determine the degree  $\bar{\gamma}$  part of the  $E^2$ -term of the spectral sequence associated with the Cibils' mixed complex. Therefore we have the following result.

**Theorem 7** ([6, Theorem 5.1]). Suppose that  $m \ge 2$  and  $A = K\Delta/R_{\Delta}^m$ . Then the dimension formula of the cyclic homology of A is given by, for  $c \ge 0$ ,

$$\dim_{K} HC_{2c}(A) = \#\Delta_{0} + \sum_{e=1}^{m-1} a_{cm+e} + \sum_{c'=0}^{c-1} \sum_{e=1}^{m-1} \sum_{\substack{r > 0 \\ \text{s.t. } r\zeta | c'm + e}} b_{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+\sum_{c'=1}^{c} \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r|c'm,\\ \gcd(m,r)\zeta|m}} b_r + \sum_{c'=1}^{c} \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r\zeta| \gcd(m,r)c'}} (\gcd(m,r)-1)b_r, \\ &\dim_K HC_{2c+1}(A) = \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r|(c+1)m}} (\gcd(m,r)-1)b_r + \sum_{c'=0}^{c} \sum_{e=1}^{m-1} \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r\zeta|c'm+e}} b_r \\ &+ \sum_{c'=1}^{c+1} \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r|c'm,\\ \gcd(m,r)\zeta|m}} b_r + \sum_{c'=1}^{c} \sum_{\substack{r>0\\\text{s.t. }r\zeta| \gcd(m,r)c'}} (\gcd(m,r)-1)b_r. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark* 8. If  $\zeta = 0$ , then the above result coincides with the result of Taillefer in [10].

**Example 9** ([6, Example 5.3]). Let K be a field of characteristic  $\zeta$  and  $\Delta$  the following quiver:



Suppose  $m \ge 2$  and  $A = K\Delta/R^m_\Delta$ , which is called a truncated cycle algebra in [2]. Since

$$a_r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s | r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad b_r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s = r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

we have, for  $c \ge 0$ ,

$$\dim_{K} HC_{2c}(A) = s + \left[\frac{(c+1)m-1}{s}\right] - \left[\frac{cm}{s}\right] + \sum_{c'=0}^{c-1} \left(\left[\frac{(c'+1)m-1}{s\zeta}\right] - \left[\frac{c'm}{s\zeta}\right]\right) + \left(\left[\frac{m}{\gcd(m,s)\zeta}\right] - \left[\frac{m-1}{\gcd(m,s)\zeta}\right]\right) \sum_{c'=1}^{c} \left(\left[\frac{c'm}{s}\right] - \left[\frac{c'm-1}{s}\right]\right) + \left(\gcd(m,s)-1\right) \left[\frac{\gcd(m,s)c}{s\zeta}\right],$$

and

$$\dim_{K} HC_{2c+1}(A) = \left(\gcd(m,s) - 1\right) \left( \left[ \frac{(c+1)m}{s} \right] - \left[ \frac{(c+1)m - 1}{s} \right] + \left[ \frac{\gcd(m,s)c}{s\zeta} \right] \right) \\ + \left( \left[ \frac{m}{\gcd(m,s)\zeta} \right] - \left[ \frac{m-1}{\gcd(m,s)\zeta} \right] \right) \sum_{c'=1}^{c+1} \left( \left[ \frac{c'm}{s} \right] - \left[ \frac{c'm-1}{s} \right] \right) \\ + \sum_{c'=0}^{c} \left( \left[ \frac{(c'+1)m - 1}{s\zeta} \right] - \left[ \frac{c'm}{s\zeta} \right] \right).$$

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