

# ON $\tau$ -TILTING FINITENESS OF GROUP ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this note, we explore when a group algebra is  $\tau$ -tilting finite. One classifies  $\tau$ -tilting finite group algebras with 2 simple modules and studies  $\tau$ -tilting finite blocks of group algebras when the characteristic of the base field is 2.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

$T$ -tilting theory has been introduced by Adachi–Iyama–Reiten [1] and is now one of the most important subjects in representation theory of algebras. In the theory, support  $\tau$ -tilting modules play a central role and are mutable; that is, we can make a new support  $\tau$ -tilting module from a given one by replacing a direct summand. Moreover, the set of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules admits a poset structure whose Hasse quiver coincides with the mutation quiver.

In this note, we discuss  $\tau$ -tilting theory for group algebras, and attack the problem on “the structure of a group algebra  $A$  vs. that of the poset  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$ ”. Here,  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$  stands for the set of basic support  $\tau$ -tilting modules of  $A$ .

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $A$  be a finite dimensional symmetric algebra over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . Thanks to Adachi–Iyama–Reiten [1], we know that the theory of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules and that of 2-term tilting complexes coincide. In this note, we use the latter. We denote by  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } A)$  the perfect derived category of  $A$ .

Let us first recall the definition of tilting complexes.

- Definition 1.**
- (1) A perfect complex  $T$  is said to be *tilting* if  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } A)}(T, T[i]) = 0$  for any  $i \neq 0$  and it generates  $\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } A)$ .
  - (2) We say that  $T$  is *2-term* provided it concentrates on degree 0 and  $-1$ .
  - (3) The set of basic 2-term tilting complexes of  $A$  is denoted by  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$ .
  - (4) We call  $A$   *$\tau$ -tilting finite* if  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$  is a finite set.

*Remark 2.* [1, Definition 0.3 and Theorem 3.2] A *support  $\tau$ -tilting* module is defined to be the 0th cohomology of some 2-term tilting complex.

For perfect complexes  $T$  and  $U$ , we write  $T \geq U$  if  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}^b(\text{proj } A)}(T, U[i]) = 0$  for every  $i > 0$ . This actually gives a partial order on the set of basic tilting complexes [3, Theorem 2.11]. We utilize the 2-term version of this result.

**Theorem 3.** [1, Lemma 2.5] *The set  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$  is a partially ordered set by the relation  $\geq$ .*

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The partial order is compatible with tilting mutation, which is provided as follows:

- Let  $T$  be a tilting complex with decomposition  $T = X \oplus M$ . Taking a (minimal) left add  $M$ -approximation  $f : X \rightarrow M'$  of  $X$ , we get the new complex  $\mu_X^-(T) := Y \oplus M$ , where  $Y$  is the mapping cone of  $f$ .

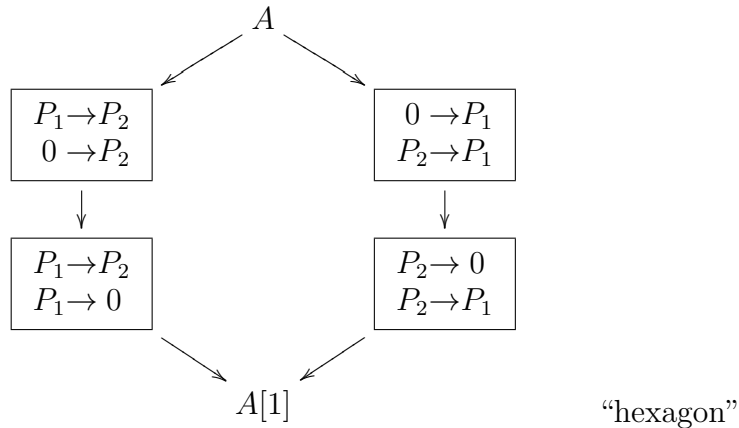
Then,  $\mu_X^-(T)$  is also tilting [3, Theorem 2.31], called the *left mutation* of  $T$  with respect to  $X$ . Dually, we have right mutations  $\mu_X^+(T)$ . Note that  $\mu_P^\pm(A)$  are nothing but Okuyama–Rickard complexes [5], which means that tilting mutations can be obtained by repeatedly taking Okuyama–Rickard complexes (via derived equivalences).

*Remark 4.* The assumption of  $A$  being symmetric plays a crucial role to get tilting complexes; that is, the operation above does not necessarily give a tilting complex in general. To take away the disadvantage, we need the notion of *silting* complexes; see [3] for the details. In this note, we will consider only symmetric algebras.

Let us introduce the *(2-)tilting quiver* of  $A$ . The vertices of the quiver are basic (2-term) tilting complexes and we draw an arrow  $T \rightarrow U$  if  $U \simeq \mu_X^-(T)$  for an indecomposable summand  $X$  of  $T$ . Then the following result indicates a relationship between the partial order and tilting mutation.

**Theorem 5.** [1, Corollary 2.34] *The Hasse quiver of the poset  $s\tau$ -tilt  $A$  coincides with the 2-tilting quiver of  $A$ .*

**Example 6.** Let  $G$  be the dihedral group of order 6 and  $\text{char } k = 3$ . The group algebra  $A := kG$  is presented by the quiver  $1 \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{x} \\ \xleftarrow{x} \end{matrix} 2$  with relations  $x^3 = 0$ . Let  $P_i$  denote the indecomposable projective module of  $A$  corresponding to the vertex  $i$ . Then, we have the 2-tilting quiver of  $A$ :



We will observe that this is independent of the prime  $p$  of the order  $2p$  and  $\text{char } k$  later.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

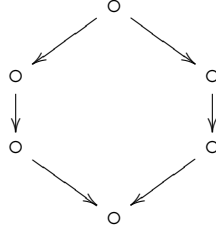
Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $p := \text{char } k$ ; then, the group algebra  $kG$  and its blocks (i.e., summands of  $kG$  as algebras) are symmetric algebras.

The first aim is to classify  $\tau$ -tilting finite group algebras  $kG$  with 2 simple modules.

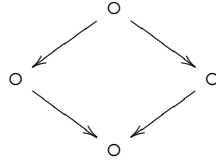
We say that  $G$  is  *$p$ -perfect* if it has no normal subgroup with index  $p$ . Here is the first main theorem.

**Theorem 7.** *Assume that  $G$  is  $p$ -perfect.*

- (1) *The following are equivalent:*  
 (a) *the 2-tilting quiver is of the form:*



- (b) *it is the hexagon;*  
 (c)  $4 < |\mathbf{s}\tau\text{-tilt } kG| < 8$ ;  
 (d)  $p$  is odd and  $G$  is isomorphic to the dihedral group of order  $2p^n$ .
- (2) *The following are equivalent:*  
 (a) *the 2-tilting quiver is of the form:*



- (b) *it is the tetragon;*  
 (c)  $2 < |\mathbf{s}\tau\text{-tilt } kG| < 6$ ;  
 (d)  $p$  is odd and  $G$  is isomorphic to the cyclic group of order 2.
- (3) *There is no group  $G$  such that  $kG$  has 2 simple modules and  $6 < |\mathbf{s}\tau\text{-tilt } kG| < \infty$ .*

*Remark 8.* The assumption of  $G$  being  $p$ -perfect plays an important role:

- (1) For a  $p$ -group  $P$ , the group algebras  $k[G \times P]$  and  $kG$  admit the same poset structure for  $\mathbf{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(-)$  [4, 2].  
 (2) There exists a non- $p$ -perfect group  $G$  such that  $kG$  has 2 simple modules and  $|\mathbf{s}\tau\text{-tilt } kG| = 8$ . We will see its example later.

Let  $A$  be a block of  $kG$  with defect group  $D$ ; the defect group of a block is a  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$  controlling the block, for example,  $D$  is cyclic (dihedral/semidihedral/quaternion and  $p = 2$ ) iff  $A$  is representation-finite (representation-tame).

The second aim is to study the  $\tau$ -tilting finiteness of  $A$  when  $p = 2$ . *In the rest of this note, assume that  $p = 2$ .*

The cyclic group of order  $n$  is denoted by  $C_n$ . Let us start with examples of  $\tau$ -tilting finite 2-blocks.

- Example 9** (See [4]). (1) Let  $G$  be the symmetric group of degree 4. Then  $kG$  is indecomposable, so  $A = kG$  ( $D$  is isomorphic to the dihedral group of order 8), which has 2 simple modules. Moreover,  $A$  admits 8 support  $\tau$ -tilting modules.  
 (2) Let  $G$  be the alternating group of degree 4. Then we have  $A = kG$  with 3 simple modules ( $D$  is isomorphic to  $C_2 \times C_2$ ), and there are 32 support  $\tau$ -tilting modules.

- (3) Let  $G$  be the alternating group of degree 5. Then  $kG = A \oplus \text{Mat}_4(k)$  and  $A$  has 3 simple modules ( $D$  is the same as (2)). Furthermore,  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A| = 32$ .

Denote by  $\Lambda$  the algebra  $A$  as in Example 9(2)(3). We now state the second main theorem of this note.

**Theorem 10.** *Assume that  $A$  is nonnilpotent ( $\doteq$  nonlocal).*

- (1) *Suppose that  $D$  is isomorphic to  $C_{2^m} \times C_{2^n}$ . Then the following are equivalent:*
- (a)  *$A$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite;*
  - (b)  *$A$  is Morita equivalent to  $\Lambda$ ;*
  - (c)  *$m = n = 1$ .*
- (2) *Suppose that  $D$  is isomorphic to  $C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2$ . Then  $A$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if it is Morita equivalent to  $kC_2 \times \Lambda$ . In the case, it admits the same poset structure for  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(-)$  as  $\Lambda$ .*

At the time of writing, we find no representation-infinite 2-block  $A$  such that  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A$  has a different poset structure as  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ . We close this note by putting this question.

**Question 11.** Let  $p = 2$  and  $A$  be a representation-infinite nonnilpotent block of a group algebra  $kG$ . Then does the following hold true?

- $A$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A \simeq \text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  as posets.

(Find a representation-infinite nonnilpotent 2-block  $A$  satisfying  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } A \not\simeq \text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ .)

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