### $\tau$ -TILTING FINITE SIMPLY CONNECTED ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we showed that  $\tau$ -tilting finite simply connected algebras are representation-finite. Consequently, some related algebras are considered, including critical algebras, iterated tilted algebras, tubular algebras, and so on. In particular, we studied the muti-staircase algebras introduced by Magdalena Boos, which are strongly simply connected.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout, we denote by A a basic finite-dimensional algebra over an algebraically closed field k. In particular, tame always means representation-infinite tame.

 $\tau$ -tilting theory is introduced by Adachi, Iyama and Reiten [4] as a generalization of the classical tilting theory from the viewpoint of mutations. They introduced support  $\tau$ -tilting modules for A and constructed the mutations of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules, which have some nice properties. For more details of  $\tau$ -tilting theory, we refer to [1], [2], [3], [6], [7], [32], [44], [63] and so on.

We are interested in algebras with a finite number of basic support  $\tau$ -tilting modules, which are called  $\tau$ -tilting finite algebras. It is natural that representation-finite algebras are  $\tau$ -tilting finite, but the converse is not true in general. Therefore, what kind of algebras satisfies the condition:  $\tau$ -tilting finite implies representation-finite becomes an interesting question. There are some answers, for example, cycle-finite algebras [44], gentle algebras [48], tilted and cluster-tilted algebras [64] and commutative ladders [5].

Simply connected (representation-finite) algebras are first introduced by Bongartz and Gabriel [25], they showed that one can use the covering techniques to reduce the representation theory of an arbitrary representation-finite algebra to that of a representation-finite simply connected algebra. More precisely, for any representation-finite algebra A, the indecomposable A-modules can be lifted to indecomposable B-modules over a simply connected algebra B, which is contained inside a certain Galois covering of the standard form  $\widetilde{A}$  (in the sense of [28], see also subsection 3.2) of A.

Naturally, Assem and Skowroński [15] expanded the notion simply connected to representation-infinite case (see Definition 2.7). This wider class of algebras includes the tubular algebras, the iterated tilted algebras of Dynkin type, the iterated tilted algebras of Euclidean types  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n, \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_p, (n \ge 4, p = 6, 7 \text{ or } 8)$  and so on. So far, the covering techniques on representation-infinite case is little known.

However, a subclass of simply connected algebras has been extensively investigated, which is called strongly simply connected algebras and introduced by Skowroński [54]. First, it is shown in [28] that for the representation-finite case, simply connected and strongly simply connected coincide. Then, the hierarchy (in terms of domestic, polynomial growth and wild) of representation-infinite strongly simply connected algebras has been

completely determined, see [22], [29], [45], [46], [49] and [55]. We summarize these results in Proposition 3.12.

Tits form is introduced by Gabriel [35] for the path algebra kQ of a finite connected quiver Q. He showed that such a path algebra is representation-finite if and only if the corresponding Tits form of Q is positive (see subsection 2.2). This provides a possibility that one may determine the representation type of an algebra by its Tits form. For more details, we refer to [50], where the author summarizes many of related results.

See subsection 2.5 for the definition of simply connected algebras.

**Theorem 1.1.** (Proposition 3.3 and Theorem 3.4) Let A be a simply connected algebra, then the following are equivalent.

- (1) A is  $\tau$ -tilting finite.
- (2) A is representation-finite.
- (3) The Tits form  $q_A$  is weakly positive.

Let A be a representation-finite simply connected algebra, any tilted algebra of A or any Auslander algebra of A (see Example 2.10), satisfies the condition:  $\tau$ -tilting finite implies representation-finite. Moreover, we denote by  $\mathcal{T}_2(A) := \begin{pmatrix} A & A \\ 0 & A \end{pmatrix}$  the algebra of  $2 \times 2$ upper triangular matrices over A. Then, we have

**Theorem 1.2.** (Theorem 3.8) Let A be a representation-finite simply connected algebra, then  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is representation-finite.

Iterated tilted algebras introduced by Assem and Happel [12] (see also subsection 3.4) are natural generalizations of tilted algebras [37]. As we have mentioned, Zito [64] shows that any  $\tau$ -tilting finite tilted algebra is representation-finite. Therefore, we may generalize Zito's result to the iterated tilted algebras.

**Theorem 1.3.** (Corollary 3.10) Let A be an iterated tilted algebra of Dynkin type, or of type  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n$  with  $n \ge 4$ , or of type  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_p$  with p = 6, 7 or 8, then A is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if A is representation-finite.

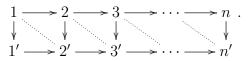
The following algebras played an important role in the study of tame strongly simply connected algebras.

- Critical algebras arising from graded trees, see subsection 3.1.
- Tubular algebras, see subsection 3.5.
- pg-critical algebras, see subsection 3.6.
- Hypercritical algebras, see subsection 3.7.

We have the following result.

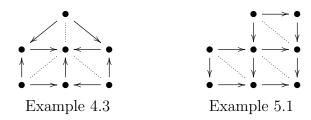
**Theorem 1.4.** (Corollary 3.2 and Theorem 3.13) All critical algebras arising from graded trees, tubular algebras, pg-critical algebras and hypercritical algebras are  $\tau$ -tilting infinite.

A commutative ladder of degree n is a bounded quiver algebra presented by the following quiver with all possible commutative relations.



Since readers may not be familiar with multi-staircase algebras, we give two examples to clarify our intentions (see Section 4 for the formal definition of multi-staircase algebras).

Multi-staircase algebras can be presented by, for example, the following quivers with all possible commutative relations.



Therefore, multi-staircase algebras are natural generalizations of commutative ladders. Multi-staircase algebras are introduced by Boos [26] and [27]. These algebras are basic, connected, finite dimensional, so that Boos can give a complete classification in terms of their representation type.

Since multi-staircase algebras are strongly simply connected (Proposition 4.4), they are  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if representation-finite. We may give detailed research for  $\tau$ -tilting finite multi-staircase algebras. We refer to Section 4 and 5 for precise definitions.

**Theorem 1.5.** Let  $A(\Lambda)$  be a proper multi-staircase algebra parameterized by a mdimensional Young diagram  $\Lambda$  with  $3 \leq m \in \mathbb{N}$ , it is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if m = 3,  $\Lambda = (\lambda, \mu)$  is flat and  $(\lambda, \mu) \preceq (\lambda', \mu')$ , where  $(\lambda', \mu')$  comes up in the following  $(x \in \mathbb{N})$ :

 $(1,\underline{5},2), (4,\underline{4},1), (1,\underline{5},1^2), (2,\underline{2},2^2), (1,\underline{2},2^3), (3,\underline{3},1^3), (1,\underline{3},1^4), \\ (1,\underline{2},2,1^3), (2^2,\underline{2},1^3), (1^2,\underline{2},1^3), (1^2,\underline{2},1^4), (1,\underline{x},1), (1,\underline{2},1^x), (2,\underline{2},1^x).$ 

Moreover, we have

Λ	(1	$(\underline{x}, 1)$	$(1,\underline{2},1^x)$	$(2,\underline{2},1^x)$
$\# s\tau$ -tilt $A$	$(\Lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}$	$\left[\begin{smallmatrix}2x+3\\x+1\end{smallmatrix}\right]$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2x+5\\x+2\end{array}\right]$	Theorem 6.12

where  $\binom{x}{y}$  is the binomial coefficient and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{x+y}{x} \binom{x}{y}$  for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Proof.* The proof follows Theorem 3.4, Proposition 4.4, Proposition 4.6, Proposition 4.7 and Theorem 4.8. 

**Theorem 1.6.** A staircase algebra  $A(\lambda)$  parameterized by a Young diagram  $\lambda \vdash n$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if one of the following holds:

(1) 
$$\lambda \in \{(n), (n-k, 1^k), (n-2, 2), (2^2, 1^{n-4})\}, \text{ where } k \leq n$$

(2)  $n \leq 8$  and  $\lambda \notin \{(4,3,1), (3^2,2), (3,2^2,1), (4,2,1^2)\}.$ 

Moreover, we have

$\lambda$	(n)	$(n-k, 1^k)$	(n-2,2)	$(2^2, 1^{n-4})$
$\# \mathbf{s} \tau$ -tilt $A(\lambda)$	$\overline{n}$	$\frac{1}{n+2}\binom{2n+2}{n+1}$	Thm. 6.1	7 and Conj. 6.18

*Proof.* See Theorem 3.4, Proposition 4.4, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 5.3.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we review basic concepts of  $\tau$ -tilting theory and simply connected algebras. In Section 3, we show the main result on simply connected algebras. Then, we apply the main result to some related algebras. In Section 4 and 5, we focus on multi-staircase algebras. In Section 6, we determine the number of basic support  $\tau$ -tilting modules for two special  $\tau$ -tilting finite multi-staircase algebras.

### 2. Preliminaries

Any finite-dimensional algebra A can be considered as a bounded quiver algebra kQ/I, with a finite connected quiver  $Q = (Q_0, Q_1)$  and an admissible ideal I. We may refer to [19] for more background materials on representation theory and quiver theory.

We denote by mod A the category of finitely generated right A-modules and by proj A the full subcategory consisting of projective A-modules. Besides, we shall denote by  $\Gamma_A$ the Auslander-Reiten quiver of A, whose vertices are the isomorphism classes of indecomposable right A-modules, and in which there is an arrow (and only one) from the class of M to that of N whenever there exists an irreducible map from M to N.

Bongartz and Gabriel [25] showed another perspective that we may regard  $A \simeq kQ/I$  as a k-category. The class of objects of this category is the set  $Q_0$  of vertices in Q, and the class A(i, j) of morphisms from i to j is the k-vector space kQ(i, j) of linear combinations of paths in Q with source i and target j, modulo the subspace  $I(i, j) = I \cap kQ(i, j)$ .

Now, we recall some well-known definitions without further reference.

- A is called *triangular* if Q is acyclic.
- A full subcategory B of A is called *convex* if any path in  $Q_A$  with source and sink in  $Q_B$  lies entirely in  $Q_B$ .
- A relation  $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \omega_i \in I$  with  $\lambda_i \neq 0$  is called *minimal* if  $n \ge 2$  and for each non-empty proper subset  $J \subset \{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ , we have  $\sum_{j \in J} \lambda_j \omega_j \notin I$ .
- The support algebra supp M of a right A-module M is the factor algebra of A by modulo the ideal which is generated by all idempotents satisfying  $Me_i = 0$ .

2.1.  $\tau$ -tilting theory. Let  $M \in \text{mod } A$ , we denote by add(M) (respectively, Fac(M)) the full subcategory of mod A whose objects are direct summands (respectively, factor modules) of finite direct sums of copies of M. Let  $\tau := \text{DTr}(-)$  be the Auslander-Reiten translation and |M| the number of isomorphism classes of indecomposable direct summands of M.

**Definition 2.1.** ([4, Definition 0.1]) (1) M is called  $\tau$ -rigid if  $\text{Hom}_A(M, \tau M) = 0$ .

(2) M is called  $\tau$ -tilting if M is  $\tau$ -rigid and |M| = |A|.

(3) M is called support  $\tau$ -tilting if M is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $(A/\langle e \rangle)$ -module for an idempotent e of A. Equivalently, let P := eA, then (M, P) is called a support  $\tau$ -tilting pair.

We denote by  $\tau$ -rigid A (s $\tau$ -tilt A) the set of isomorphism classes of indecomposable  $\tau$ -rigid (support  $\tau$ -tilting) A-modules. Here, by a (support)  $\tau$ -tilting module is always meant a basic (support)  $\tau$ -tilting module. The following is the core of  $\tau$ -tilting theory.

**Definition 2.2.** ([4, Definition 2.19, Theorem 2.30]) Let  $T = M \oplus N$  be a  $\tau$ -tilting Amodule with an indecomposable summand M satisfying  $M \notin \mathsf{Fac}(N)$ . We take an exact sequence with a minimal left  $\mathsf{add}(N)$ -approximation f,

$$M \stackrel{f}{\longrightarrow} N' \longrightarrow U \longrightarrow 0,$$

then  $\mu_M^-(T) := U \oplus N$  is called the left mutation of T with respect to M.

We define the support  $\tau$ -tilting quiver  $\mathcal{H}(s\tau$ -tilt A) of A as follows.

- The set of vertices is  $s\tau$ -tilt A.
- We draw an arrow from M to N if N is a left mutation of M.

It is shown in [4] that  $\mathcal{H}(s\tau\text{-tilt } A)$  is the Hasse quiver of poset  $s\tau\text{-tilt } A$ . In fact, there is a patrial order on  $s\tau\text{-tilt } A$  defined by  $Fac(N) \subseteq Fac(M)$ , for any  $M, N \in s\tau\text{-tilt } A$ .

**Remark 2.3.** In Definition 2.2, Zhang [63, Theorem 1.2] showed that if  $U \neq 0$ , then U is indecomposable and  $U \notin \operatorname{add}(T)$ . Since A is the maximal element in poset  $s\tau$ -tilt A, U cannot be a projective module if  $U \neq 0$ .

**Definition 2.4.** ([32, Corollary 2.9]) An algebra A is said to be  $\tau$ -tilting finite if there are only finitely many isomorphism classes of indecomposable  $\tau$ -rigid A-modules, or equivalently, if  $s\tau$ -tilt A is a finite set.

**Proposition 2.5.** ([4, Theorem 2.14]) There exists a poset isomorphism between  $s\tau$ -tilt A and  $s\tau$ -tilt  $A^{op}$ .

We have the following obvious observation.

**Lemma 2.6.** Let A be a  $\tau$ -tilting finite algebra, then eAe is also  $\tau$ -tilting finite for any idempotent e of A.

2.2. Tits form. Let A = kQ/I be a triangular algebra, the Tits form  $q_A : \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0} \to \mathbb{Z}$  is the integral quadratic form defined by

$$q_A(v) = \sum_{i \in Q_0} v_i^2 - \sum_{i \to j \in Q_1} v_i v_j + \sum_{i, j \in Q_0} r(i, j) v_i v_j,$$

where  $v := (v_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$  and  $r(i,j) = |R \cap I(i,j)|$  for a minimal set  $R \subseteq \bigcup_{i,j \in Q_0} I(i,j)$  of generators of the admissible ideal I. Then, the Tits form  $q_A$  is called

- (weakly) positive if  $q_A(v) > 0$  for any  $v \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$  ( $v \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{N}^{Q_0}$ , respectively),
- (weakly) non-negative if  $q_A(v) \ge 0$  for any  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}$  ( $v \in \mathbb{N}^{Q_0}$ , respectively).

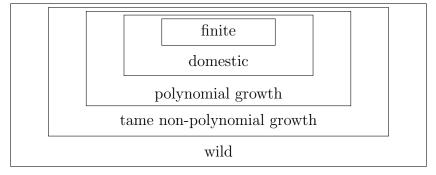
2.3. Separation property. Let A = kQ/I be a triangular algebra, we denote by  $P_i$  the indecomposable projective module at vertex i and rad  $P_i$  its radical. Then  $P_i$  is said to be separated if rad  $P_i$  is a direct sum of pairwise non-isomorphic indecomposable modules whose supports are contained in pairwise different connected components of Q(i), where Q(i) is the subquiver of Q obtained by deleting all vertices of Q being a source of a path in Q with target i (including the trivial path from i to i). We say that A satisfies the separation property if every indecomposable projective module is separated.

2.4. Representation type. It is well-known that A is representation-finite if there are only finitely many isomorphism classes of indecomposable A-modules.

From Drozd [33], all finite-dimensional algebras may be divided into two disjoint cases:

- (1) A is tame if for any dimension d, there exists a finite number of k[x]-A-bimodules  $M_i$ ,  $(1 \leq i \leq n_d)$ , which are finitely generated and free as left k[x]-modules, such that all but finitely many isomorphism classes of indecomposable right A-modules of dimension d, are of the form  $k[x]/\{x \omega\} \otimes_{k[x]} M_i$  with some  $\omega \in k$  and some  $i \in \{1, 2, \ldots, n_d\}$ . Let  $\mu_A(d)$  be the least number of k[x]-A-bimodules satisfying the above condition for d. Then,
  - A is representation-finite ([20], [24]) if and only if  $\mu_A(d) = 0$  for all  $d \ge 1$ .
  - A is of domestic type ([31]) if there is a constant C such that  $\mu_A(d) \leq C$  for all  $d \geq 1$ .
  - A is of polynomial growth type ([56]) if there are positive integer m and constant C such that  $\mu_A(d) \leq Cd^m$  for all  $d \geq 1$ .
- (2) A is wild if there is a finitely generated  $k \langle X, Y \rangle$ -A-bimodule M which is free over  $k \langle X, Y \rangle$  and sends non-isomorphic indecomposable  $k \langle X, Y \rangle$ -modules via the functor  $\otimes_{k \langle X, Y \rangle} M$  to non-isomorphic indecomposable A-modules.

By a tame algebra is meant a representation-infinite tame algebra. For representation types of algebras, we have the following hierarchy and each of the inclusions is proper.



2.5. Simply connected algebras. We recall from [15] the construction of simply connected algebras. Let A = kQ/I be a triangular algebra with a quiver  $Q = (Q_0, Q_1, s, t)$ and an admissible ideal I. For each arrow  $\alpha \in Q_1$ , let  $\alpha^-$  be its formal inverse with  $s(\alpha^{-}) = t(\alpha)$  and  $t(\alpha^{-}) = s(\alpha)$ . Then, we set

$$Q_1^- = \{ \alpha^- \mid \alpha \in Q_1 \}.$$

A walk is a formal composition  $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$  with  $w_i \in Q_1 \cup Q_1^-$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . We set  $s(w) = s(w_1), t(w) = t(w_n)$  and denote by  $1_x$  the trivial path at vertex x.

For walks w and u with s(u) = t(w), the composition wu is defined in the obvious way. Then, let  $\sim$  be the smallest equivalence relation on the set of all walks in Q satisfying the following conditions:

- For each α : x → y in Q<sub>1</sub>, we have αα<sup>-</sup> ~ 1<sub>x</sub> and α<sup>-</sup>α ~ 1<sub>y</sub>.
  For each minimal relation Σ<sup>n</sup><sub>i=1</sub> λ<sub>i</sub>ω<sub>i</sub> in I, we have ω<sub>i</sub> ~ ω<sub>j</sub> for all 1 ≤ i, j ≤ n.
- If u, v, w and w' are walks and  $u \sim v$ , then  $wuw' \sim wvw'$  whenever these compositions are defined.

We denote by [w] the equivalence class of a walk w.

For a given  $x \in Q_0$ , the set  $\Pi_1(Q, I, x)$  of equivalence classes of all walks w with s(w) = t(w) = x becomes a group via  $[u] \cdot [v] = [uv]$ , and it is independent of the choice of x. Then, the fundamental group of (Q, I) is defined as follows.

$$\Pi_1(Q, I) := \Pi_1(Q, I, x).$$

**Definition 2.7.** ([15, Definition 1.2]) A triangular algebra A is said to be simply connected if, for any presentation A = kQ/I as a bounded quiver algebra, the fundamental group  $\Pi_1(Q, I)$  is trivial.

It follows [28] and [43] that if A is representation-finite, then the above definition coincides with the definition introduced by Bongartz and Gabriel [25]. It is not easy to recognise whether a given algebra is simply connected or not, because little is known about the characterization of simply connected.

**Proposition 2.8.** Let A be a triangular algebra.

- (1) ([53, (4.2)]) A is simply connected if and only if it does not admit a proper Galois covering.
- (2) ([54, (2.3)]) If A has the separation property, then it is simply connected.

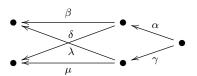
2.6. Strongly simply connected algebras. A triangular algebra A is called strongly simply connected [54, (2.2)] if every convex subcategory of A is simply connected. The characterization of strongly simply connected algebras has been extensively investigated.

**Proposition 2.9.** Let A be a triangular algebra. The following are equivalent.

- (1) A is strongly simply connected.
- (2) ([54, (4.1)]) Every convex subcategory of A (or  $A^{op}$ ) has the separation property.
- (3) ([54, (4.1)]) The first Hochschild cohomology space  $H^1(B)$  of any convex subcategory B of A vanishes.
- (4) ([14, Theorem 1.3]) There is a presentation (Q, I) of A such that  $\Pi_1(Q', I')$  is trivial for any connected full convex bounded subquiver (Q', I') of (Q, I).

**Example 2.10.** We have the following examples.

- (1) All tree algebras are strongly simply connected, see [9].
- (2) A hereditary algebra is simply connected if and only if its quiver is a tree, see [9].
- (3) Let A be a representation-finite simply connected algebra and  $T_A$  a tilting Amodule, the tilted algebra  $B = \text{End}_A(T_A)$  is simply connected, see [18].
- (4) Let A be a representation-finite algebra and  $\{M_1, M_2, \ldots, M_s\}$  a complete set of representatives of the isomorphism classes of indecomposable A-modules, then A is simply connected if and only if its Auslander algebra  $\operatorname{End}_A(\bigoplus_{i=1}^s M_i)$  is strongly simply connected, see [11].
- (5) Let A := kQ/I with  $I := \langle \alpha\beta \gamma\delta, \alpha\lambda \gamma\mu \rangle$  and the following quiver Q:



then A is simply connected but not strongly simply connected, see [9].

We may distinguish the class of representation-finite simply connected algebras.

**Proposition 2.11.** Let A be a representation-finite triangular algebra, then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) A is simply connected.
- (2) ([28]) A is strongly simply connected.
- (3) ([30]) The first Hochschild cohomology space  $H^1(A)$  of A vanishes.
- (4) ([43]) The fundamental group  $\Pi_1(|\Gamma_A|)$  of the geometric realization  $|\Gamma_A|$  of the Auslander-Reiten quiver  $\Gamma_A$  of A is trivial.

2.7. Minimal representation-infinite algebras. An algebra A is said to be minimal representation-infinite if A is representation-infinite, but A/AeA is representation-finite for any non-zero idempotent e of A. Happel and Vossieck [40] have classified the minimal representation-infinite algebras with preprojective component by using the theory of tilted algebras. We recall their constructions as follows.

Let  $\Gamma_A$  be the Auslander-Reiten quiver of A. A connected component C of  $\Gamma_A$  is called preprojective if there is no oriented cycle in C, and any module in C is of form  $\tau^{-n}(P)$ for a  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and an indecomposable projective module P.

A tilted algebra of type Q is the endomorphism algebra of a tilting module T (see subsection 3.4) over a hereditary algebra kQ. If moreover, T is contained in a preprojective component C of  $\Gamma_A$ , then we call  $\operatorname{End}_{kQ}T$  a concealed algebra of type Q.

**Proposition 2.12.** ([40, Theorem 2]) A minimal representation-infinite algebra with preprojective component is either a n-Kronecker algebra  $(n \ge 2)$  or a tame concealed algebra, which is a concealed algebra of type  $\widetilde{\mathbb{A}}_n$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n(n \ge 4)$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_6$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_7$  or  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_8$ .

It follows [15, Remark 1.2] that minimal representation-infinite algebras with preprojective component are simply connected.

**Proposition 2.13.** ([64, Theorem 1.1]) A tilted algebra is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if it is representation-finite.

**Lemma 2.14.** ([5, Corollary 4.2]) All minimal representation infinite algebras with preprojective component are  $\tau$ -tilting infinite.

At the end of this section, we recall the following well-known result.

**Lemma 2.15.** ([47, Theorem 1]) Let Q be a quiver of Dynkin type and s-tilt kQ the set of isomorphism classes of basic support tilting kQ-modules. Then, #s-tilt kQ is independent of the orientation of Q and #s-tilt  $kQ = \#s\tau$ -tilt kQ. Moreover, we have

Q	$\mathbb{A}_n$	$\mathbb{D}_n (n \ge 4)$	$\mathbb{E}_6$	$\mathbb{E}_7$	$\mathbb{E}_8$
#s $ au$ -tilt $kQ$	$\frac{1}{n+2}\binom{2n+2}{n+1}$	$\left[\begin{smallmatrix}2n-1\\n-1\end{smallmatrix}\right]$	833	4160	25080
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where  $\binom{x}{y}$  is the binomial coefficient and  $\begin{bmatrix} x\\ y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{x+y}{x}\binom{x}{y}$ .

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3.1. Critical algebras. We recall Bongartz's construction from [23]. The grading of a tree  $T := (T_0, T_1)$  is defined to be a function  $g : T_0 \to \mathbb{N}$  satisfying

•  $g^{-1}(0) \neq \emptyset$ .

•  $g(x) - g(y) \in 1 + 2\mathbb{Z}$ , whenever x and y are neighbours in T.

A graded tree (T, g) is given by a tree T and a grading g. It is shown in [25, Corollary 6.5] that there is a bijection between the isomorphism classes of representation-finite graded trees and the isomorphism classes of representation-finite simply connected algebras.

**Definition 3.1.** ([23]) An algebra A is called critical if it is representation-infinite, but any proper convex subcategory is representation-finite.

Let A be an algebra arising from a graded tree (T, g), then [23, Theorem 2] implies that A is critical if and only if T is one of Euclidean diagrams  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n (n \ge 4)$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_6$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_7$  and  $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_8$ . Note that the condition of minimal representation-infinite algebras is strictly stronger than the condition of critical algebras, however, the class of minimal representation-infinite algebras with preprojective component and the class of critical algebras arising from graded trees coincide. (This is the reason why we say BHV-list.) Then, such a critical algebra is simply connected and we have the following corollary immediately.

**Corollary 3.2.** Critical algebras arising from graded trees are  $\tau$ -tilting infinite.

Here is a nice criterion for simply connected algebras to be representation-finite.

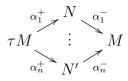
**Proposition 3.3.** ([21, Theorem 3.3], [22, Theorem 1]) Let A be a simply connected algebra, then A is representation-finite if and only if the Tits form  $q_A$  is weakly positive, if and only if, A does not contain a critical convex subcategory which is arising from graded trees.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let A be a simply connected algebra, then it is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if A is representation-finite.

*Proof.* Following Proposition 3.3, if A is representation-infinite, then it contains an idempotent truncation which is critical and arising from a graded tree. Thus, A is  $\tau$ -tilting infinite from Lemma 2.6 and Corollary 3.2.

There is another evidence for  $\tau$ -tilting finiteness of tame strongly simply connected algebras of polynomial growth. In fact, such an algebra is cycle-finite, and, Malicki and Skowroński [44] showed that a cycle-finite algebra is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if it is representation-finite. Thus, they are  $\tau$ -tilting infinite.

3.2. The standard form of a representation-finite algebra. Assume that A is representation-finite, we consider its Auslander-Reiten quiver  $\Gamma_A$  as a path category  $k\Gamma_A$ . We have the following sequence in  $\Gamma_A$  for any indecomposable non-projective module M,



then we define  $\sigma_M := \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^+ \alpha_i^-$  and the mesh-category  $k(\Gamma_A) := k\Gamma_A/I_{\Gamma_A}$ , which is bounded by the mesh-ideal  $I_{\Gamma_A} := \langle \sigma_M | \tau M \neq 0 \rangle$ .

**Definition 3.5.** ([25, Definition 5.1]) Let A be a representation-finite algebra, the standard form  $\widetilde{A}$  of A is defined to be the full subcategory consisting of the projective points of the mesh-category  $k(\Gamma_A)$ .

Then, [25, Corollary 5.2] implies that  $\widetilde{A}$  is also representation-finite,  $\Gamma_{\widetilde{A}} = \Gamma_A$  and  $\widetilde{A}$  is the best possible degeneration of A in the sense of algebraic geometry. It worth mentioning that any representation-finite simply connected algebra is standard [25, (6.1)].

For a representation-finite algebra A, Bretscher and Gabriel [28] further demonstrated the importance of  $\widetilde{A}$ :

- $\widetilde{A}$  is Morita equivalent to A.
- $\widetilde{A}$  admits a Galois covering  $F: B \to B/G := \widetilde{A}$ , where B is simply connected and G is the fundamental group  $\Pi_1(Q_A, I_A)$ , which is a finitely generated free group.

Clearly,  $B = \tilde{A}$  if A is simply connected.

We have to point out that even an algebra admits a (strongly) simply connected Galois covering, it is not necessary to be (strongly) simply connected. For example,

**Example 3.6.** ([57, Example 3.3]) Let 
$$A = kQ/I$$
 with  $I = \langle \alpha^4, \beta^4, \alpha\mu - \mu\beta \rangle$  and  $Q$ :  
 $\alpha \frown \bullet \xrightarrow{\mu} \bullet \bigcirc \beta$ 

then A is of (tame) polynomial growth and admits a strongly simply connected Galois covering. But A is  $\tau$ -tilting finite [60, Theorem 1.1].

3.3. Triangular matrix algebras. Let  $\mathcal{T}_2(A) := \begin{pmatrix} A & A \\ 0 & A \end{pmatrix}$  be the algebra of  $2 \times 2$  upper triangular matrices over an algebra A. Then, the category mod  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is equivalent to the category whose objects are A-homomorphisms  $f : M \to N$  between finite-dimensional A-modules M and N, and morphisms are pairs of homomorphisms making the obvious squares commutative.

Skowroński showed in [52] that  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is wild if A is representation-infinite. Therefore, we may consider representation-finite algebras.

**Proposition 3.7.** ([42, Theorem 4.1]) Let A be a standard representation-finite algebra with a simply connected Galois covering  $F : B \to A$ , then  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is representation-finite if and only if  $\mathcal{T}_2(B)$  does not contain a convex subcategory which is tame concealed.

**Theorem 3.8.** Let A be a representation-finite simply connected algebra, then  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if  $\mathcal{T}_2(A)$  is representation-finite.

*Proof.* It follows Lemma 2.6, Lemma 2.14, Proposition 3.7 and Subsection 3.2.  $\Box$ 

3.4. Iterated tilted algebras. Let A be an algebra, we recall from [37] that an A-module T is called tilting (respectively, cotilting) if it satisfies  $|T| = |\Lambda|$ , proj.dim  $T \leq 1$  (respectively, inj.dim  $T \leq 1$ ) and  $\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{1}(T,T) = 0$ .

Then, two algebras A and B are said to be tilting-cotilting equivalent if there exists a sequence of algebras  $A = A_0, A_1, \ldots, A_m = B$  and a sequence of modules  $T_{A_i}^i, (0 \le i \le m)$  such that  $A_{i+1} = \operatorname{End}_{A_i} T_{A_i}^i$  and  $T_{A_i}^i$  is either a tilting or cotilting module.

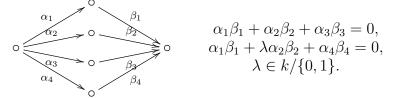
**Definition 3.9.** ([12, (1.4)] and [39, Theorem 3]) Let kQ be a hereditary algebra, then we call A iterated tilted of type Q if A is tilting-cotilting equivalent to kQ.

It is shown by [8, Proposition 3.5] that iterated tilted algebras of Dynkin type are simply connected and by [15, Corollary 1.4] that an iterated tilted algebra of Euclidean type is simply connected if and only if Q is of types  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n, \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_p, (n \ge 4, p = 6, 7 \text{ or } 8)$ . Therefore,

**Corollary 3.10.** Let A be an iterated tilted algebra of Dynkin type and types  $\mathbb{D}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_p$ ,  $(n \ge 4, p = 6, 7 \text{ or } 8)$ , then A is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if it is representation-finite.

3.5. Tubular algebras. Following Ringel [51],

(1) The canonical algebra  $\mathcal{C}(2,2,2,2)$  is defined by the following quiver and relations.



(2) The canonical algebra  $\mathcal{C}(p,q,r)$  with  $p \leq q \leq r$  is given by the quiver

$$\circ \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \circ \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \circ$$

bounded by  $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_p + \beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_q + \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \dots \gamma_r = 0.$ 

In particular, we call four special cases C(2, 2, 2, 2), C(3, 3, 3), C(2, 4, 4) and C(2, 3, 6) the tubular canonical algebras.

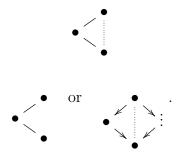
**Definition 3.11.** ([36, Corollary 1.7], [38] and [51]) An algebra A is said to be a tubular algebra if it is tilting-cotilting equivalent to one of tubular canonical algebras.

It is well-known that tubular algebras are of global dimension 2 and have only 6, 8, 9 or 10 simple modules. Then, Assem and Skowroński [15, Corollary 1.4] showed that tubular algebras are simply connected. Furthermore, [55, Proposition 2.4] implies that every tubular algebra is tame, non-domestic, of polynomial growth and of linear growth.

3.6. pg-critical algebras. In order to find the criteria for simply connected algebras to be of (tame) polynomial growth, Nörenberg and Skowroński [46] introduced the polynomial growth critical algebras (briefly pg-critical algebras), that is, tame simply connected algebras which are not of polynomial growth but every proper convex subcategory is.

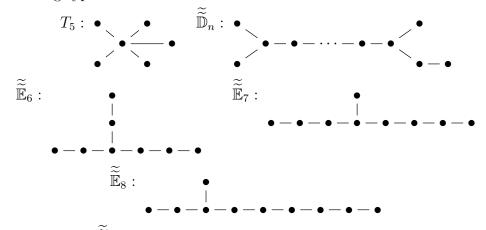
Following [46, Theorem 3.2], one can understand all pg-critical algebras by 31 frames and 3 admissible operations. For simplicity, we only recall the admissible operations.

- (1) Constructing the opposite algebra.
- (2) Choice of arbitrary orientation in non-oriented edges.
- (3) Replacing each subgraph



Then, [46, Corollary 3.3] shows that *pg*-critical algebras are simply connected of global dimension 2. In particular, there are 16 frames among 31 frames which are strongly simply connected [45, Theorem 1].

3.7. Hypercritical algebras. Continuing to find the criteria for a simply connected algebra to be wild, Unger [59] (see also Lersch [41] and Wittman [61]) introduced the hypercritical algebras which are preprojective tilts of minimal wild hereditary tree algebras of the following types.



where in the case of  $\widetilde{\mathbb{D}}_n$  the number of vertices is  $n+2, (4 \leq n \leq 8)$ .

Similarly, one can understand hypercritical algebras by quivers and relations [59] and they are strongly simply connected. Actually, they are minimal wild strongly simply connected algebras as shown in Proposition 3.12.

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3.8. Strongly simply connected algebras. Over the past several decades, the class of tame strongly simply connected algebras has been studied intensively. We recall the handy criteria of their representation type as follows.

**Proposition 3.12.** Let A be a representation-infinite strongly simply connected algebra.

- (1) ([29, Corollary 1], [49, Theorem 2.2]) A is tame if and only if  $q_A$  is weakly non-negative, or equivalently, A does not contain a hypercritical convex subcategory.
- (2) A is tame minimal non-polynomial growth if and only if A is obtained from one of the frames in [45, Theorem 1] by admissible operations, or equivalently, A is obtained from one of the frames (1)–(16) in the list of pg-critical algebras in [46, Theorem 3.2] by admissible operations.
- (3) ([55, Theorem 4.1]) A is of polynomial growth if and only if A does not contain a convex subcategory which is pg-critical or hypercritical.
- (4) ([55, Corollary 4.3]) A is domestic if and only if A does not contain a convex subcategory which is tubular, or pg-critical, or hypercritical.

**Corollary 3.13.** All tubular algebras, pg-critical algebras and hypercritical algebras are  $\tau$ -tilting infinite.

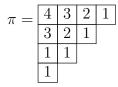
*Proof.* This is immediate from Theorem 3.4 and Proposition 3.12.

# 4. Multi-staircase Algebras

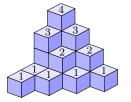
In this section, we deal with a subclass of strongly simply connected algebras, namely, the multi-staircase algebras. These algebras are introduced by Boos [27] and are parameterized by the so-called generalized Young diagrams.

Recall that a partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_\ell)$  of a positive integer n, is a non-increasing sequence satisfying  $\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \lambda_i = n$ . We may merge same entries of  $\lambda$  by potencies, for example,  $(3, 3, 2, 1, 1, 1) = (3^2, 2, 1^3)$ . It is well-known that we can visualize  $\lambda$  by the Young diagram  $Y(\lambda)$ , that is, a box-diagram of which the *i*-th row contains  $\lambda_i$  boxes.

4.1. Generalized Young diagrams. A plane partition is a Young diagram filled with positive integers such that all rows and columns are non-increasing. We can think of the numbers as representing the heights for stacks of blocks placed on each cell of the diagram. For example, let  $\pi$  be a plane partition



then it can be visualized as a 3-dimensional Young diagram  $Y(\pi)$ :



We can equip every cube in  $Y(\pi)$  with a triple array  $(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z})$  of positive integers such that: If  $(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z})$  corresponds a cube in  $Y(\pi)$ , then any  $(\dot{a}, \dot{b}, \dot{c})$  also corresponds a cube in  $Y(\pi)$  whenever  $\dot{a} \leq \dot{x}, \dot{b} \leq \dot{y}$  and  $\dot{c} \leq \dot{z}$ .

On the other hand, let  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}^3_{\geq 1}$  be a collection of all triple arrays that satisfy the condition: If  $(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}) \in \Lambda$ , then  $(\dot{a}, \dot{b}, \dot{c}) \in \Lambda$  whenever  $\dot{a} \leq \dot{x}, \dot{b} \leq \dot{y}$  and  $\dot{c} \leq \dot{z}$ . Then one easily find a bijection between  $\Lambda$  and the set of all 3-dimensional Young diagrams. This setup can be generalized to  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  dimensions as follows.

**Definition 4.1.** ([27, Subsection 2.2]) For any  $2 \leq m \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}^{m}$  be a set of *m*-dimensional arrays such that

$$(\dot{x}_1, \dot{x}_2, \dots, \dot{x}_m) \in \Lambda \Rightarrow (\dot{a}_1, \dot{a}_2, \dots, \dot{a}_m) \in \Lambda, \forall \dot{a}_i \leq \dot{x}_i, \forall i,$$

then we call  $\Lambda$  a *m*-dimensional Young diagram.

A 2-dimensional Young diagram is just a Young diagram. A 3-dimensional Young diagram  $\Lambda$  is said to be *flat* if one of the following holds:

- $\Lambda \subseteq \{(x, y, 1), (x, 1, z) \mid x \ge 1, y \ge 1, z \ge 1\}.$
- $\Lambda \subseteq \{(x, y, 1), (1, y, z) \mid x \ge 1, y \ge 1, z \ge 1\}.$
- $\Lambda \subseteq \{(x, 1, z), (1, y, z) \mid x \ge 1, y \ge 1, z \ge 1\}.$

Let  $\Lambda$  be a flat 3-dimensional Young diagram, then it can be presented by two partitions. For example, if  $\Lambda \subseteq \{(x, y, 1), (x, 1, z) \mid x \ge 1, y \ge 1, z \ge 1\}$ , then  $\{(x, y) \mid x \ge 1, y \ge 1\}$  determines a partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_k)$  and  $\{(x, z) \mid x \ge 1, z \ge 1\}$  determines a partition  $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \ldots, \mu_\ell)$  such that

$$\lambda_1 = \mu_1 := \# \{ (x, 1, 1) \mid x \ge 1, (x, 1, 1) \in \Lambda \}.$$

In this case, we denote  $\Lambda$  by  $(\lambda, \mu) := (\lambda_k, \dots, \lambda_2, \lambda_1 = \mu_1, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_\ell)$ .

Moreover, let  $(\lambda, \mu)$  and  $(\lambda', \mu')$  be two bipartitions, we say  $(\lambda, \mu) \preceq (\lambda', \mu')$  if  $\lambda$  is a subpartition of  $\lambda'$  and  $\mu$  is a subpartition of  $\mu'$ .

# 4.2. Multi-staircase algebras.

**Definition 4.2.** ([27, Definition 3.1]) Let  $\Lambda$  be a *m*-dimensional Young diagram and  $A(\Lambda) := kQ_{\Lambda}/I_{\Lambda}$  such that

- the vertices of  $Q_{\Lambda}$  are given by the tuples appearing in  $\Lambda$ ;
- there is an arrow  $\varphi_{\dot{x}_1,\dot{x}_2,\ldots,\dot{x}_m}^{(i)} : (\dot{x}_1,\ldots,\dot{x}_m) \to (\dot{y}_1,\ldots,\dot{y}_m)$  if and only if there is exactly one index i such that  $\dot{y}_i = \dot{x}_i 1$  and  $\dot{y}_j = \dot{x}_j$  for  $j \neq i$ ;
- $I_{\Lambda}$  is a two-sided ideal generated by all commutativity relations for all squares appearing in  $Q_{\Lambda}$ .

Then the bounded quiver algebra  $A(\Lambda)$  is called a multi-staircase algebra. Besides, let

$$\Lambda_{\min} := \{ (\dot{x}_1, \dot{x}_2, \dots, \dot{x}_m) \mid \dot{x}_i = 2 \text{ for at most one } i \} \subset \{1, 2\}^m$$

then  $A(\Lambda)$  is said to be proper if  $\Lambda_{\min} \subseteq \Lambda$ .

It is obvious that  $A(\Lambda)$  is a basic, connected, triangular, finite dimensional k-algebra. In particular,  $A(\Lambda)$  is called a staircase algebra if  $\Lambda$  is a 2-dimensional Young diagram and we shall give a detailed study on this case in the next section.

As already mentioned in the introduction, we give an example to show that multistaircase algebras are generalizations of commutative ladders.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $\Lambda$  be the following 3-dimensional Young diagram



then the quiver  $Q_{\Lambda}$  is given by

Then, the corresponding multi-staircase algebra  $A(\Lambda)$  is defined by

 $A(\Lambda) = kQ_{\Lambda} / < \varphi_{1,2,1}^{(2)} \varphi_{2,2,1}^{(1)} - \varphi_{2,1,1}^{(1)} \varphi_{2,2,1}^{(2)}, \varphi_{1,1,2}^{(3)} \varphi_{2,1,2}^{(1)} - \varphi_{2,1,1}^{(1)} \varphi_{2,1,2}^{(3)}, \varphi_{1,1,2}^{(3)} \varphi_{1,2,2}^{(2)} - \varphi_{1,2,1}^{(2)} \varphi_{1,2,1}^{(3)} > .$ 

**Proposition 4.4.** ([27, Proposition 3.6]) Let  $\Lambda$  be a m-dimensional Young diagram with  $m \ge 2$ , then  $A(\Lambda)$  is strongly simply connected.

Our main result Theorem 3.4 implies that a multi-staircase algebra is  $\tau$ -tilting finite if and only if it is representation-finite. Therefore, we focus on the representation-finite multi-staircase algebras.

**Proposition 4.5.** ([27, Subsection 5.2]) Let  $\Lambda = (\lambda, \mu)$  be a flat 3-dimensional Young diagram and  $A(\Lambda) := A(\lambda, \mu)$ , then  $A(\lambda, \mu)$  is Morita equivalent to  $A(\mu, \lambda)$ .

We call  $A(\Lambda)$  a tri-staircase algebra if  $\Lambda$  is a 3-dimensional Young diagram and  $A(\Lambda)$  is flat if  $\Lambda$  is flat. Then we have the following classification.

**Proposition 4.6.** ([27, Theorem 5.2]) A proper tri-staircase algebra  $A(\Lambda)$  is

- (1) representation-finite if and only if  $A(\Lambda) = A(\lambda, \mu)$  is flat and  $(\lambda, \mu) \preceq (\lambda', \mu')$ , where  $(\lambda', \mu')$  comes up in the following list  $(x \in \mathbb{N})$ :
  - $(1, \underline{5}, 2), (4, \underline{4}, 1), (1, \underline{5}, 1^2), (2, \underline{2}, 2^2), (1, \underline{2}, 2^3), (3, \underline{3}, 1^3), (1, \underline{3}, 1^4),$

 $(1,\underline{2},2,1^3), (2^2,\underline{2},1^3), (1^2,\underline{2},1^3), (1^2,\underline{2},1^4), (1,\underline{x},1), (1,\underline{2},1^x), (2,\underline{2},1^x).$ 

(2) tame concealed if and only if  $A(\Lambda) = A(\lambda, \mu)$  is flat and  $(\lambda, \mu)$  comes up in the following list:

 $\begin{array}{c} (2,\underline{3},2), (3,\underline{5},1), (2,\underline{6},1), (1,\underline{3},2,1), (2,\underline{4},1^2), (1,\underline{6},1^2), (1,\underline{4},1^3), \\ (1,2,\underline{2},2,1), (1^2,\underline{3},1^2), (1,2^2,\underline{2},2), (1,\underline{2},2^2,1^2), (1^2,\underline{2},2,1^2), \\ (2,2,2,1^3), (2,3,1^4), (1,2,2,1^4), (1,2,2,1^4), (1,3,1^5), (1^3,2,1^3), (1^2,2,1^5). \end{array}$ 

(3) tame, but not tame concealed if and only if either  $\Lambda$  equals  $\Lambda_0$ :



or  $A(\Lambda) = A(\lambda, \mu)$  is flat and  $(\lambda, \mu)$  comes up in the following list:  $(2, \underline{3}, 3), (3, \underline{3}, 3), (4, \underline{5}, 1), (1, \underline{3}, 2^2), (1, \underline{3}, 3, 1), (3, \underline{4}, 1^2), (2, \underline{2}, 2^3), (2^2, \underline{2}, 2, 1), (2^2, \underline{2}, 2^2), (1, \underline{2}, 2^3, 1), (1^2, \underline{2}, 2^2, 1), (3, \underline{3}, 1^4), (2^2, \underline{2}, 1^4).$ 

Otherwise,  $A(\Lambda)$  is of wild representation type.

**Proposition 4.7.** ([27, Theorem 6.1]) Let  $A(\Lambda)$  be a proper multi-staircase algebra with a m-dimensional Young diagram  $\Lambda$ , then  $A(\Lambda)$  is representation-infinite if  $m \ge 4$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $A(\Lambda)$  be a proper tri-staircase algebra with a 3-dimensional Young diagram  $\Lambda$ , then

Λ	$(1, \underline{x}, 1)$	$(1,\underline{2},1^x)$
$\# s\tau\text{-tilt }A(\Lambda)$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2x+3\\x+1\end{array}\right]$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2x+5\\x+2\end{array}\right]$

where  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{x+y}{x} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ .

*Proof.* If  $\Lambda = (1, \underline{x}, 1)$  or  $(1, \underline{2}, 1^x)$ , then  $A(\Lambda)$  is a Dynkin algebra of type  $\mathbb{D}$ . The result follows Lemma 2.15.

# 5. STAIRCASE ALGEBRAS

In this section, we focus on the multi-staircase algebras with Young diagrams, which are called staircase algebras briefly. Since a Young diagram  $Y(\lambda)$  corresponds to a partition  $\lambda \vdash n$  of a positive integer n, we may denote a staircase algebra by  $A(\lambda)$ .

**Example 5.1.** Let n = 8 and  $\lambda = (3, 3, 2)$ , then its quiver  $Q_{\lambda}$  is given by

The corresponding staircase algebra  $A(\lambda)$  is defined by

 $A(\lambda) := kQ_{\lambda} / < \beta_{\dot{2},\dot{2}}\alpha_{\dot{2},\dot{1}} - \alpha_{\dot{2},\dot{2}}\beta_{\dot{1},\dot{2}}, \beta_{\dot{3},\dot{2}}\alpha_{\dot{3},\dot{1}} - \alpha_{\dot{3},\dot{2}}\beta_{\dot{2},\dot{2}}, \beta_{\dot{2},\dot{3}}\alpha_{\dot{2},\dot{2}} - \alpha_{\dot{2},\dot{3}}\beta_{\dot{1},\dot{3}} >.$ 

Let  $\lambda$  be a partition, we denote by  $\lambda^T$  the transposed partition given by the columns of the Young diagram (from right to left). Then, [26, Lemma 4.2] implies that  $A(\lambda)$  is Morita equivalent to  $A(\lambda^T)$ .

We recall the classification of representation types of staircase algebras.

**Proposition 5.2.** ([26, Theorem 4.5]) A staircase algebra  $A(\lambda)$  with  $\lambda \vdash n$  is

- (1) representation-finite if and only if one of the following holds:
  - $\lambda \in \{(n), (n-k, 1^k), (n-2, 2), (2^2, 1^{n-4})\}$  for  $k \leq n$ .
  - $n \leq 8$  and  $\lambda \notin \{(4,3,1), (3^2,2), (3,2^2,1), (4,2,1^2)\}.$
- (2) tame concealed if and only if  $\lambda$  comes up in the following list:

 $(6,3), (6,2,1), (5,2^2), (4,3,1), (4,2,1^2), (3,2^2,1), (3^2,1^3), (2^3,1^3), (3,2,1^4).$ 

(3) tame, but not tame concealed if and only if  $\lambda$  comes up in the following list:

 $(5^2), (5, 4), (4^2, 1), (3^3), (3^2, 2), (3, 2^3), (2^5), (2^4, 1).$ 

Otherwise,  $A(\lambda)$  is of wild representation type.

**Theorem 5.3.** Let  $A(\lambda)$  be a staircase algebra with  $\lambda \vdash n$ , then

$\lambda$	(n)	$(n-k,1^k)$
#s $\tau$ -tilt $A(\lambda)$	$\overline{n}$	$\frac{1}{n+2}\binom{2n+2}{n+1}$

*Proof.* If  $\lambda = (n)$  or  $(n - k, 1^k)$ , then  $A(\lambda)$  is a Dynkin algebra of type A. The result follows Lemma 2.15.

### 6. Two Special Cases

Given a representation-finite multi-staircase algebra  $A(\Lambda)$ , we want to find the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $A(\Lambda)$ -modules and we have showed some cases in Theorem 4.8 and 5.3. Among others, we are interested in  $\Lambda = (2, 2, 1^x)$  and  $\lambda = (n - 2, 2)$  or  $(2^2, 1^{n-4})$ .

In this section, we will give detailed description on the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $A(\Lambda)$ -modules for these cases.

(1) Let  $\Lambda_n := kQ / \langle \alpha \mu - \beta \nu \rangle$  with  $n \ge 4$  and Q:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha}_{\beta} 3 \xrightarrow{\nu}_{\nu} 4 \longrightarrow 5 \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow n-1 \longrightarrow n$$

This is the multi-staircase algebra  $A(\Lambda)$  for  $\Lambda = (2, \underline{2}, 1^x)$  with  $x \ge 0$ . (2) Let  $\Theta_n := kQ / \langle \alpha \beta - \mu \nu \rangle$  with  $n \ge 4$  and Q:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha}_{\beta} 3 \xrightarrow{\mu}_{\nu} 4 \longrightarrow 5 \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow n-1 \longrightarrow n$$

This is the staircase algebra  $A(\lambda)$  for  $\lambda = (n-2,2)$  or  $(2^2, 1^{n-4})$  with  $n \ge 4$ .

**Proposition 6.1.** Let  $A = \Lambda_n$  or  $\Theta_n$ , then the number of tilting A-modules is not equal to the number of  $\tau$ -tilting A-modules.

*Proof.* Since there exists a simple A-module S such that gl.dim S > 1, then A is not hereditary. Note that [62, Theorem 2.1] implies that a triangular algebra A is hereditary if and only if every  $\tau$ -tilting A-module is tilting. Then, the result follows.

Let A be an algebra, a right A-module M is said to be support-rank s if there exists exactly s nonzero orthogonal idempotents  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_s$  such that  $Me_i \neq 0$ .

**Proposition 6.2.** Let M be a support  $\tau$ -tilting module with support-rank s, then we have |M| = s.

*Proof.* Since there exists exactly s nonzero orthogonal idempotents  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_s$  such that  $Me_i \neq 0$ , we have  $M(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s e_i) = 0$ . Let  $P := (1 - \sum_{i=1}^s e_i)A$ , then

|M| = n - |P| = n - (n - s) = s

follows the fact that (M, P) becomes a support  $\tau$ -tilting pair.

Assume that |A| = n, let  $a_s(A)$  be the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting A-modules with support-rank s for any  $0 \leq s \leq n$ . Note that  $a_n(A)$  is just the number of  $\tau$ -tilting A-modules. Then, the number of all support  $\tau$ -tilting A-modules is

$$a(A) := \sum_{s=0}^{n} a_s(A).$$

As a beginning, we have  $\Lambda_4 \simeq \Theta_4$  and the following result.

**Proposition 6.3.** Let  $P_i$  be the indecomposable projective  $\Lambda_4$ -modules, then

$$P_1 = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}^3, P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}^2, P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $P_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \end{bmatrix}^2$ 

Then, the Hasse quiver  $\mathcal{H}(s\tau$ -tilt  $\Lambda_4$ ) implies that

$$a_0(\Lambda_4) = 1, a_1(\Lambda_4) = 4, a_2(\Lambda_4) = 10, a_3(\Lambda_4) = 16 \text{ and } a_4(\Lambda_4) = 15.$$

and all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_4$ -modules are shown in Appendix A.

From now on, let  $\mathbb{A}_n$  and  $\mathbb{D}_n$  be the path algebra of type  $\mathbb{A}$  and type  $\mathbb{D}$ , respectively. We denote by  $Q_s(A)$  the set of support  $\tau$ -tilting A-modules with support-rank s.

### 6.1. The number of support $\tau$ -tilting $\Lambda_n$ -modules.

**Lemma 6.4.** For any  $n \ge 4$  and  $1 \le s \le n-3$ , we have

$$a_s(\Lambda_n) = a_s(\Lambda_{n-1}) + a_{s-1}(\Lambda_n).$$

Proof. Let  $e_n$  be the idempotent of  $\Lambda_n$  at vertex n. For any support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ -module M satisfying  $Me_n = 0$ , it is obvious that M is a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{n-1}$ -module. Then, let  $Q_s(\Lambda_n; e_n)$  be the set of the support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ -modules with support-rank s and  $Me_n \neq 0$ . We show that there is a bijection

$$\mathfrak{q}: Q_s(\Lambda_n; e_n) \longleftrightarrow Q_{s-1}(\Lambda_n)$$

The result follows this bijection.

Let X be an indecomposable  $\Lambda_n$ -module with support-rank  $t \leq n-3$  and  $Xe_n \neq 0$ . Then the radical series of X are pairwise non-isomorphic simple modules  $S_i$  and X is of the following form



We denote X by [n - t + 1, n].

Let  $T \in Q_s(\Lambda_n; e_n)$ . There exists at least one indecomposable direct summand of T, say X, satisfies  $Xe_n \neq 0$  and we choose X = [n - t + 1, n] of largest possible length t. Then,  $Te_m = 0$  for any arrow  $m \longrightarrow n - t + 1$ . In fact, if t = n - 3, the statement is obvious since  $s \leq n - 3$ . Now, assume that  $t \leq n - 4$  and there is an indecomposable direct summand Y of T satisfying  $Ye_{n-t} \neq 0$ , then  $Ye_n = 0$  follows the maximality of X. It is enough to consider the following five types of Y:

So	$S_1$	Sa	$S_2$ $S_4$	$S_3$	$S_2$	$S_3$	S.
02	$S_4$	03	$S_4$		$S_4$	$S_4$	$S_4$
	÷						:
	$S_{n-t}$	,	$S_{n-t}$	,	$S_{n-t}$ ,	$ \vdots $ $ S_{n-t} $	$S_{n-t}$ ,
	•		:		:	:	÷
	: S		$\dot{S}_a$		$\dot{S_a}$	$S_a$	$S_a$

where  $n-t \leq a \leq n-1$ . One can check that  $\operatorname{soc}(\tau(Y)) = S_{a+1}$  for any type above. Then,  $a+1 \geq n-t+1$  implies  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda_n}(X, \tau(Y)) \neq 0$ . We get a contradiction.

Therefore, we can divide T into a direct sum  $W \oplus Z$  such that

- the support of W is  $\{e_{n-t+1}, \ldots, e_{n-1}, e_n\}$  and it is disjoint with the support of Z.
- the support of Z does not contain  $e_m$  with  $m \longrightarrow n t + 1$ .

We denote by  $Q_{[n-t+1,n]}$  the quiver with vertices  $\{n-t+1,\ldots,n-1,n\}$  and let

$$\Lambda_{[n-t+1,n]} := kQ_{[n-t+1,n]}.$$

Then, W becomes a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[n-t+1,n]}$ -module and X is the unique indecomposable projective-injective  $\Lambda_{[n-t+1,n]}$ -module. Deleting X from W, we obtain a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[n-t+1,n]}$ -module with support-rank t-1.

Now, we write  $T = X \oplus U$ , then U is the direct sum of Z and a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ module by deleting X from W. Thus, U is a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ -module with supportrank s - 1. The map from  $Q_s(\Lambda_n; e_n)$  to  $Q_{s-1}(\Lambda_n)$  is given by  $\mathfrak{q}(T) = U$ .

- (1) (Injection) Since X is the indecomposable projective-injective  $\Lambda_{[n-t+1,n]}$ -module and the maximality of X = [n-t+1,n], **q** is injective.
- (2) (Surjection) Let  $U \in Q_{s-1}(\Lambda_n)$ , then there are at least 4 idempotents outside of the support of U.
  - If there are exactly 4 idempotents  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  and  $e_i$  with  $4 \leq i \leq n$  outside of the support of U, then s = n-3 and U becomes a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ -module with support-rank n-4. Let P := [4, n] be the indecomposable projective  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ -module, then (U, P) becomes a support  $\tau$ -tilting pair for  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ . Thus,  $T := U \oplus P \in Q_{n-3}(\Lambda_n; e_n).$
  - Otherwise, there are at least two idempotents in  $\{e_4, e_5, \ldots, e_n\}$  outside of the support of U. Let i < j be the smallest such numbers, then we can find an indecomposable projective  $\Lambda_n$ -module P := [i+1, n] such that (U, P) becomes a support  $\tau$ -tilting pair for  $\Lambda_n$ . Thus,

$$\Gamma := U \oplus P \in Q_s(\Lambda_n; e_n).$$

Therefore, q is surjective.

**Lemma 6.5.** For any  $n \ge 4$ , we have

$$a_{n-2}(\Lambda_n) = a_{n-2}(\Lambda_{n-1}) + a_{n-3}(\Lambda_n) + a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{n-3}).$$

*Proof.* We construct a surjection  $\mathfrak{q}$  from  $Q_{n-2}(\Lambda_n; e_n)$  to  $Q_{n-3}(\Lambda_n)$ . Similar to the proof of Lemma 6.4, one can show that any module T in  $Q_{n-2}(\Lambda_n; e_n)$  is of the form  $T = X \oplus U$ , where X is indecomposable,  $Xe_n \neq 0$  and X is of maximal possible length. Then the support of X is contained either in  $\{e_2, e_4, \ldots, e_n\}$  or  $\{e_3, e_4, \ldots, e_n\}$  such that X is uniquely determined. Therefore, the map  $\mathfrak{q}$  is defined by deleting X from T.

Note that  $\mathfrak{q}$  is not an injection. Let  $X_1$  be the indecomposable module with support  $\{e_2, e_4, \ldots, e_n\}$ , and  $X_2$  the indecomposable module with support  $\{e_3, e_4, \ldots, e_n\}$ . Starting with a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ -module U, we have

$$X_1 \oplus U, X_2 \oplus U \in Q_{n-2}(\Lambda_n; e_n).$$

But both of them are mapped to U. These are the  $a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{[4,n]}) = a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{n-3})$  pairs of elements of  $Q_{n-2}(\Lambda_n; e_n)$ , which are identified by  $\mathfrak{q}$ .

In order to compute  $a_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ , we consider a factor algebra of  $\mathbb{A}_n$ . For any  $n \ge 3$ , we define  $\mathbb{A}_n^1 := kQ/\langle ab \rangle$ , where

 $Q: 1 \xrightarrow{a} 2 \xrightarrow{b} 3 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow n-1 \longrightarrow n$ .

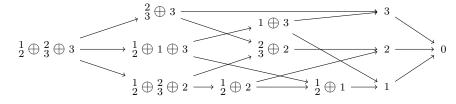
Moreover, we assume  $\mathbb{A}_2^1 := \mathbb{A}_2$ .

**Example 6.6.** Let  $P_i$  be the indecomposable projective  $\mathbb{A}_3^1$ -modules, then

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2}, P_2 = \frac{2}{3}$$
 and  $P_3 = 3$ .

The Hasse quiver of  $s\tau$ -tilt  $\mathbb{A}_3^1$  is as follows.

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Then, we can see that  $a_0(\mathbb{A}^1_3) = 1$ ,  $a_1(\mathbb{A}^1_3) = 3$ ,  $a_2(\mathbb{A}^1_3) = 5$  and  $a_3(\mathbb{A}^1_3) = 3$ .

**Theorem 6.7.** Assume that  $\mathbb{A}_2^1 := \mathbb{A}_2$ . For any  $n \ge 4$ , we have

(1)  $a_s(\mathbb{A}^1_n) = a_s(\mathbb{A}^1_{n-1}) + a_{s-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_n)$  for any  $1 \le s \le n-2$ .

(2) 
$$a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_{n-1}) + a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}_{n-2}) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-1} a_{i-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_{i-1}) \cdot a_{n-i}(\mathbb{A}_{n-i}).$$

(3) 
$$a_n(\mathbb{A}^1_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}_{n-2}).$$

Proof. (1) The proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 6.4.

- (2) Let  $T \in Q_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_n)$ , there exists exactly one idempotent  $e_i$  such that  $Te_i = 0$ .
  - If i = 1, then T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-1}$ -module.
  - If i = 2, then we can divide T into a direct sum  $T_1 \oplus T_2$  such that  $T_1$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_1$ -module and  $T_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-2}$ -module.
  - If  $3 \leq i \leq n-1$ , then we can divide T into a direct sum  $T_1 \oplus T_2$  such that  $T_1$ is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}^1_{i-1}$ -module and  $T_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-i}$ -module.
  - If i = n, then T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}^1_{n-1}$ -module.

It is easy to see that the above is a complete classification.

(3) Let 
$$T \in Q_n(\mathbb{A}^1_n)$$
.

- If  $T = \frac{1}{2} \oplus U$  with  $Ue_1 = 0$ , then U is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-1}$ -module.
- If  $T = \frac{1}{2} \oplus U$  with  $Ue_1 \neq 0$ , then  $U = 1 \oplus V$  with  $Ve_1 = 0$ . Since  $\tau(1) = S_2$ , then  $Ve_2 = 0$ . Thus, V is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-2}$ -module.

**Remark 6.8.** For any  $n \ge 2$  and  $0 \le s \le n$ , the  $a_s(\mathbb{A}^1_n)$  is as follows.

Based on the above data, we can see that

(1) 
$$a(\mathbb{A}^1_n) = a_n(\mathbb{A}^1_{n+1})$$

(2) 
$$a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}^1_{n-1}) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}^1_n)$$

(2)  $a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}_n).$ (3)  $a_n(\mathbb{A}_n^1)$  is the sequence <u>A005807</u> in Sloane's OEIS [58].

**Example 6.9.** Let  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}}$  be the opposite algebra of  $\mathbb{A}_4^1$  and  $P_i$  the indecomposable projective  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}}$ -modules, then

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2}, P_2 = \frac{2}{3}, P_3 = \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } P_4 = 4.$$

The Hasse quiver  $\mathcal{H}(s\tau$ -tilt  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}})$  can verify the formulas in Theorem 6.7 and all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}}$ -modules are shown in Appendix B.

**Lemma 6.10.** Assume that  $\Lambda_3 := \mathbb{A}_3$ . For any  $n \ge 5$ , we have

$$a_{n-1}(\Lambda_n) = a_{n-1}(\Lambda_{n-1}) + a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}_{n-1}) + 2a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}^1) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} a_{i-1}(\Lambda_{i-1}) \cdot a_{n-i}(\mathbb{A}_{n-i}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $T \in Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ , there exists exactly one idempotent  $e_i$  such that  $Te_i = 0$ .

- If i = 1, then T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_{n-1}$ -module.
- If i = 2 or 3, then  $\beta \nu = 0$  or  $\alpha \mu = 0$ , and T becomes a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}^1_{n-1}$ -module.
- If  $4 \leq i \leq n-1$ , then we can divide T into a direct sum  $T_1 \oplus T_2$  such that  $T_1$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{i-1}$ -module and  $T_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-i}$ -module.
- If i = n, then T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{n-1}$ -module.

It is easy to see that the above is a complete classification.

**Lemma 6.11.** Let  $n \ge 4$ , then  $a_n(\Lambda_n) = a_{n-1}(\Lambda_n) - 1$ .

*Proof.* We explain the relation between  $Q_n(\Lambda_n)$  and  $Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ . Let T be a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ -module and  $P_1$  the indecomposable projective module at vertex 1. Starting with  $\Lambda_n$ ,

- (1) If  $T = P_1 \oplus U$  with  $Ue_1 = 0$ , then  $U \in Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ .
- (2) If  $T = P_1 \oplus U$  with  $Ue_1 \neq 0, Ue_2 = 0, Ue_3 \neq 0$  or  $Ue_1 \neq 0, Ue_2 \neq 0, Ue_3 = 0$ , then  $U \in Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ .
- (3) If  $T = P_1 \oplus U$  with  $Ue_1 \neq 0, Ue_2 \neq 0, Ue_3 \neq 0$ , then (a) if  $T = P_1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V$  with  $Ve_1 = 0$ , then  $Ve_2 = Ve_3 = 0$  since  $\tau(\frac{1}{2}) = S_3$  and  $\tau(\frac{1}{3}) = S_2$ . Thus, V is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ -module. Furthermore, we have

$$T \longrightarrow 1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V \in \mathcal{H}(s\tau\text{-tilt }\Lambda_n)$$

Note that any left mutation of the latter one goes to  $Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ .

(b) Otherwise, 
$$U \in Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$$
.

On the other hand, there is a surjection from  $Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$  to  $Q_n(\Lambda_n)/S$ , where

$$S = \{P_1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V \mid V \text{ is a } \tau \text{-tilting } \Lambda_{[4,n]} \text{-module} \}.$$

Let  $U \in Q_{n-1}(\Lambda_n)$ , then U does not contain  $P_1$  as a direct summand.

- If  $U = 1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus V$  or  $1 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V$  with a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_{[4,n]}$ -module V, then U is mapped to  $1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V$ .
- If  $U = 1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus Z$  with  $Z \in Q_{n-3}(\Lambda_{[4,n]})$  and Z is a left mutation of V, then U is mapped to  $1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus V$ .
- Otherwise, U is mapped to  $P_1 \oplus U$ .

Therefore,

$$a_n(\Lambda_n) = a_{n-1}(\Lambda_n) - (a_{n-4}(\Lambda_{[4,n]}) + 1) + a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{[4,n]})$$
$$= a_{n-1}(\Lambda_n) - (a_{n-4}(\Lambda_{n-3}) + 1) + a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{n-3}).$$

Note that  $a_{n-4}(\mathbb{A}_{n-3}) = a_{n-3}(\mathbb{A}_{n-3})$ , then the result follows.

Finally, we can determine the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_n$ -modules.

**Theorem 6.12.** Assume that  $\Lambda_3 := \mathbb{A}_3$  and  $n \ge 5$ , then

$$\begin{array}{l} (1) \ a_{n}(\Lambda_{n}) = a_{n-1}(\Lambda_{n}) - 1. \\ (2) \ a_{n-1}(\Lambda_{n}) = a_{n-1}(\Lambda_{n-1}) + \frac{3n-7}{2n-4} \binom{2n-4}{n-3} + 2\left(\frac{1}{n-1}\binom{2n-4}{n-2} + \frac{1}{n-2}\binom{2n-6}{n-3}\right) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} a_{i-1}(\Lambda_{i-1}) \cdot \\ \frac{1}{n-i+1}\binom{2(n-i)}{n-i}. \\ (3) \ a_{n-2}(\Lambda_{n}) = a_{n-2}(\Lambda_{n-1}) + a_{n-3}(\Lambda_{n}) + \frac{1}{n-2}\binom{2n-6}{n-3}. \\ (4) \ a_{s}(\Lambda_{n}) = a_{s}(\Lambda_{n-1}) + a_{s-1}(\Lambda_{n}) \text{ for any } 1 \leq s \leq n-3. \end{array}$$

*Proof.* It follows Lemma 2.15, 6.4, 6.5, 6.7, 6.10 and 6.11.

**Remark 6.13.** Let  $n \ge 3$  and  $0 \le s \le n$ , then  $a_s(\Lambda_n)$  is as follows.

n $s$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	$a(\Lambda_n)$
3	1	3	5	5								14
4	1	4	10	16	15							46
5	1	5	15	33	54	53						161
6	1	6	21	54	113	193	192					580
7	1	7	28	82	195	402	706	705				2126
8	1	8	36	118	313	715	1463	2618	2617			7889
9	1	9	45	163	476	1191	2654	5404	9803	9802		29548
10	1	10	55	218	694	1885	4539	9943	20175	36984	36983	111487

6.2. The number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Theta_n$ -modules. The Auslander-Reiten quiver  $\Gamma_{\Theta_n}$  of  $\Theta_n$  is given by Boos [26, Appendix A.2], one can observe that

- (1)  $\Theta_n$  is a representation-finite tiled algebra of type  $\mathbb{D}$ .
- (2) (The number of vertices in  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{D}_n}$ ) (The number of vertices in  $\Gamma_{\Theta_n}$ ) = 1, and the extra one is a sincere  $\mathbb{D}_n$ -module.
- (3) Every indecomposable  $\Theta_n$ -module M is a brick, that is,  $\operatorname{End}_{\Theta_n} M = k$ .

For any  $n \ge 4$ , we define  $\mathbb{D}_n^1 := kQ / \langle ab \rangle$ , where

$$Q: 1 \xrightarrow{a} 3 \longrightarrow 4 \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow n-1 \longrightarrow n$$

Moreover, we assume  $\mathbb{D}_3^1 := \mathbb{A}_3^1$ .

**Example 6.14.** Let  $P_i$  be the indecomposable projective  $\mathbb{D}^1_4$ -modules, then

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{4}, P_2 = 2, P_3 = \frac{3}{24} \text{ and } P_4 = 4.$$

The Hasse quiver  $\mathcal{H}(s\tau\text{-tilt }\mathbb{D}_4^1)$  implies that

$$a_0(\mathbb{D}^1_4) = 1, a_1(\mathbb{D}^1_4) = 4, a_2(\mathbb{D}^1_4) = 9, a_3(\mathbb{D}^1_4) = 14 \text{ and } a_4(\mathbb{D}^1_4) = 9.$$

Then, all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_4^1$ -modules are shown in Appendix C.

**Theorem 6.15.** For any  $n \ge 5$ , we have

- (1)  $a_s(\mathbb{D}_n^1) = a_s(\mathbb{D}_{n-1}^1) + a_{s-1}(\mathbb{D}_n^1)$  for any  $1 \le s \le n-2$ .
- (2)  $a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}^1_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}^1_{n-1}) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{D}^1_n) + a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}_{n-2}).$
- (3)  $a_n(\mathbb{D}_n^1) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}_{n-1}^1) + a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}) + a_{n-3}(\mathbb{A}_{n-3}) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} a_{i-1}(\mathbb{D}_{i-1}^1) \cdot a_{n-i}(\mathbb{A}_{n-i}).$

*Proof.* The first statement and the second statement are similar to Lemma 6.4 and 6.5.

Let T be a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_n^1$ -module and  $P_1$  the indecomposable projective module at vertex 1, then T is of form  $P_1 \oplus U$  with  $Ue_2 \neq 0$  and  $U \in Q_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}_n^1)$ .

- If  $Ue_1 = 0$ , then U is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-1}$ -module.
- If  $Ue_3 = 0$ , then  $U = 1 \oplus 2 \oplus V$ , where V is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-3}$ -module.
- If  $Ue_i = 0$  with  $4 \leq i \leq n-1$ , then we can divide U into a direct sum  $U_1 \oplus U_2$  such that  $U_1$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}^1_{i-1}$ -module and  $U_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-i}$ -module.
- If  $Ue_n = 0$ , then U is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}^1_{n-1}$ -module.

Then, we get a complete classification.

**Remark 6.16.** For any  $n \ge 3$  and  $0 \le s \le n$ , the  $a_s(\mathbb{D}_n^1)$  is as follows.

n $s$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	$a(\mathbb{D}_n^1)$
3	1	3	5	3								12
4	1	4	9	14	9							37
5	1	5	14	28	42	28						118
6	1	6	20	48	90	132	90					387
7	1	7	27	75	165	297	429	297				1298
8	1	8	35	110	275	572	1001	1430	1001			4433
9	1	9	44	154	429	1001	2002	3432	4862	3432		15366
10	1	10	54	208	637	1638	3640	7072	11934	16796	11934	53924

Based on the above data, we can observe that

- (1)  $a(\mathbb{D}_n^1)$  is the sequence <u>A280891</u> in Sloane's OEIS [58].
- (2)  $a_n(\mathbb{D}_n^1) = a_{n-2}(\mathbb{D}_n^1) = a_{n-2}(\mathbb{A}_n)$  is the sequence <u>A000245</u>.
- (3)  $a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}^1_n) = a_n(\mathbb{A}_n)$  is just the Catalan number sequence.

**Theorem 6.17.** Assume that  $\Theta_3 := \mathbb{A}_3^1$  and  $n \ge 5$ , then

- (1)  $a_s(\Theta_n) = a_s(\Theta_{n-1}) + a_{s-1}(\Theta_n)$  for any  $1 \leq s \leq n-3$ .
- (2)  $a_{n-2}(\Theta_n) = a_{n-2}(\Theta_{n-1}) + a_{n-3}(\Theta_n) + a_{n-3}(\mathbb{A}_{n-3}).$

(3) 
$$a_{n-1}(\Theta_n) = a_{n-1}(\Theta_{n-1}) + a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}^1_{n-1}) + 2a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1}) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} a_{i-1}(\Theta_{i-1}) \cdot a_{n-i}(\mathbb{A}_{n-i}).$$

*Proof.* The first statement and the second statement are similar to Lemma 6.4 and 6.5. Let  $T \in Q_{n-1}(\Theta_n)$ , there exists exactly one idempotent  $e_i$  such that  $Te_i = 0$ .

- If i = 1, then  $\mu \nu = 0$  and T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}^1_{n-1}$ -module.
- If i = 2 or 3, then T becomes a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-1}$ -module.
- If  $4 \leq i \leq n-1$ , then we can divide T into a direct sum  $T_1 \oplus T_2$  such that  $T_1$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Theta_{i-1}$ -module and  $T_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_{n-i}$ -module.
- If i = n, then T is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Theta_{n-1}$ -module.

The above is a complete classification.

We don't have a good method to calculate  $a_n(\Theta_n)$ , but with the structure of  $\Gamma_{\Theta_n}$  mentioned at the beginning of this subsection, we have the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 6.18.** For any  $n \ge 5$ , we have  $a_n(\Theta_n) = a_n(\mathbb{D}_n) - a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1})$ .

In fact, Example 6.3 and Theorem 6.17 imply that  $a_3(\Theta_3) = a_3(\mathbb{D}_3) - a_2(\mathbb{A}_2)$  and  $a_4(\Theta_4) = a_4(\mathbb{D}_4) - a_3(\mathbb{A}_3)$ . Similarly, we have  $a_3(\Theta_4) = a_3(\mathbb{D}_4)$  and  $a_4(\Theta_5) = a_4(\mathbb{D}_5)$ , then it is natural to conjecture that  $a_{n-1}(\Theta_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}_n)$  for any  $n \ge 6$ .

Moreover, one can easily check by Theorem 6.17 (3) that for any  $n \ge 5$ ,

$$a_{n-1}(\Theta_n) = a_{n-1}(\mathbb{D}_n)$$

if and only if

$$a_n(\Theta_n) = a_n(\mathbb{D}_n) - a_{n-1}(\mathbb{A}_{n-1})$$

**Remark 6.19.** Assume that  $n \ge 3$ ,  $0 \le s \le n$  and Conjecture 6.18 is true, the  $a_s(\Theta_n)$  is as follows.

n $s$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	$a(\Theta_n)$
3	1	3	5	3								12
4	1	4	10	16	15							46
5	1	5	15	33	55	63						172
6	1	6	21	54	114	196	252					644
7	1	7	28	82	196	406	714	990				2424
8	1	8	36	118	314	720	1476	2640	3861			9174
9	1	9	45	163	477	1197	2673	5445	9867	15015		34892
10	1	10	55	218	695	1892	4565	10010	20306	37180	58344	133276

### APPENDIX A.

(1) All  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_4$ -modules are

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$\begin{smallmatrix}1\\2\\4\end{bmatrix}3\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}2\\4\end{bmatrix}\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}3\\4\end{smallmatrix}\oplus4$	$\begin{vmatrix} 1\\2\\4\\3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0$	$\begin{smallmatrix}1\\2\\4\\3\oplus\frac{1}{3}\oplus\frac{1}{3}\oplus\frac{1}{2}\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}1\\2\\3\end{smallmatrix}$	$2\overset{1}{\overset{3}{_4}3} \oplus \overset{1}{\overset{1}{_2}} \oplus \overset{2}{\overset{1}{_4}} \oplus \overset{2}{\overset{1}{_4}} \oplus \overset{2}{\overset{1}{_4}}$
$2\overset{1}{\overset{2}{_{4}3}}\oplus\overset{2}{\overset{2}{_{4}}}\oplus\overset{1}{\overset{2}{_{2}}}\oplus\overset{1}{\overset{2}{_{4}}}\oplus\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\oplus\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{2}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}{\overset{1}}\overset{1}}{$	$2\overset{1}{_{4}3} \oplus \overset{2}{_{4}} \oplus 2 \oplus \overset{2}{_{4}\overset{3}{_{4}}}$	$2\overset{1}{_{4}3} \oplus \overset{1}{_{3}} \oplus 3 \oplus \overset{1}{_{2}_{3}}$	$2\overset{1}{\overset{3}{_{4}3}}\oplus\overset{1}{\overset{3}{_{3}}}\oplus\overset{3}{\overset{4}{_{4}}}\oplus3$
$2\overset{1}{_{4}3} \oplus \overset{1}{_{3}} \oplus \overset{3}{_{4}} \oplus 4$	$\begin{smallmatrix}1\\2&3\\4\end{bmatrix}\oplus \begin{smallmatrix}3&\oplus\\4\end{bmatrix}\oplus \begin{smallmatrix}3&4\\4\end{smallmatrix}$	$2 \overset{1}{_{43}} \oplus 2 \oplus \overset{1}{_{2}} \oplus \overset{1}{_{23}} \oplus$	$1 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus 4$
$2\overset{1}{_{4}3} \oplus \overset{1}{_{3}} \oplus \overset{1}{_{2}} \oplus \overset{1}{_{4}} \oplus \overset{1}{_{4}} \oplus \overset{1}{_{4}}$	$\begin{bmatrix}1\\2&3\\4\end{bmatrix} \oplus 3 \oplus 2 \oplus \begin{bmatrix}2&3\\4\end{bmatrix}$	$2 \overset{1}{\overset{3}{_4}} \oplus 2 \oplus 3 \oplus \overset{1}{\overset{2}{_3}}$	
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(2) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_4$ -modules with support-rank 3 are

${\textstyle \frac{1}{3} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{1}{2} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{1}{2}} {\textstyle \frac{1}{3}}}}$	$2 \oplus 3 \oplus {1 \atop 2 3}$	$3 \oplus {\stackrel{3}{4}} \oplus {\stackrel{2}{\stackrel{3}{4}}}$	${1 \atop 3} \oplus {3 \atop 4} \oplus 4$	${}^2_4 \oplus {}^1_2 \oplus {}^4$	$1 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus 4$
$\frac{1}{3} \oplus 3 \oplus \frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} 2\\4 \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 3\\4 \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 2&3\\4 \end{smallmatrix}$	$3 \oplus 2 \oplus {2 \atop 4}{3 \atop 4}$	${}^2_4 \oplus {}^3_4 \oplus 4$	${}^2_4 \oplus {}^1_2 \oplus {}^2$	$1 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus 4$
$2 \oplus {\textstyle 1 \atop 2} \oplus {\textstyle 1 \atop 2} {\textstyle 3 \atop 3}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} 2\\4 \oplus 2 \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 2&3\\4 \end{smallmatrix}$	$1 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{3}{4} \oplus 3$		

(3) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda_4$ -modules with support-rank  $0 \leq s \leq 2$  are

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${}^3_4 \oplus 4$	$2 \oplus 4$	$\frac{1}{2} \oplus 2$	$\frac{1}{3} \oplus 3$	$1 \oplus 4$	1	4	0	
${}^3_4 \oplus 3$	${}^2_4 \oplus 2$	$\frac{1}{2} \oplus 1$	$\frac{1}{3} \oplus 1$	$2 \oplus 3$	2	3		

## Appendix B.

(1) All  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}}$ -modules are

(2) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\text{op}}}$ -modules with support-rank 3 are

$$\frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus 1 \quad \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus 2 \quad \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{2}{3} \oplus 3 \quad \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{2}{3} \oplus 2 \quad \frac{1}{3} \oplus 1 \oplus 3 \quad \frac{1}{2} \oplus 2 \oplus 4$$
$$4 \oplus \frac{1}{2} \oplus 1 \quad \frac{2}{3} \oplus \frac{3}{4} \oplus 4 \quad \frac{3}{4} \oplus \frac{2}{3} \oplus 3 \quad 1 \oplus \frac{3}{4} \oplus 4 \quad \frac{3}{4} \oplus 1 \oplus 3 \quad \frac{2}{3} \oplus 2 \oplus 4$$

(3) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{A}_4^{1^{\mathrm{op}}}$ -modules with support-rank  $0 \leq s \leq 2$  are

0 4	11					
${}^3_4 \oplus 4$	$\frac{2}{3} \oplus 3$	$\frac{1}{2} \oplus 2$	$1 \oplus 3$	$2 \oplus 4$	1	2
${}^3_4 \oplus 3$	${2 \atop 3} \oplus 2$	$\frac{1}{2} \oplus 1$	$1 \oplus 4$	0	3	4

# Appendix C.

(1) All  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_4^1$ -modules are

${1 \atop 4} \oplus {{}_2{}^3}_4 \oplus 2 \oplus 4$	$\begin{smallmatrix}1\\3\\4\\\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}3\\2\\4\\\oplus\end{smallmatrix}]{}^3\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}3\\2\\\oplus\end{smallmatrix}]{}^3\oplus\begin{smallmatrix}3\\4\\4\\\end{smallmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{c}1\\3\\4\end{array} 2 \oplus 1 \oplus 4$
${\textstyle \frac{1}{3} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{2}} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{4}} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{4}} \oplus 4}$	${1 \atop {3 \atop {4}}} \oplus {3 \oplus {3 \atop {2}}} \oplus {3 \atop {4}}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{array} \oplus 2 \oplus 1 \oplus \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \end{array}$
${\textstyle \frac{1}{3} \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{2}} \oplus 2 \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{2}} \oplus 2 \oplus {\textstyle \frac{3}{2}} }$	${1 \atop 3 \atop 4} \oplus 3 \oplus {3 \atop 2} \oplus {1 \atop 3}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{array} \oplus 2 \oplus \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 2 \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \end{array}$

(2) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_4^1$ -modules with support-rank 3 are

$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{array} \oplus 1 \oplus 4$	$egin{smallmatrix} 1\3\4\\oplus\3\1\\oplus\3\3\\oplus\3 \end{smallmatrix}$	${}^1_3 \oplus {}^1_3 \oplus 1 \\ {}^4$	${1 \atop 3} \oplus {3 \atop 4} \oplus 4$	$egin{smallmatrix} 1\3\4\\oplus\4\4\\oplus\3\4\\oplus\3\4\\oplus\3\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1\1$
${3 \atop 24} \oplus 2 \oplus 4$	${3\atop 2 4} \oplus 2 \oplus {3\atop 2}$	$2 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus 1$	${3 \atop 2} \oplus {1 \atop 3} \oplus {3 \atop 3}$	${3 \atop 2} \oplus {3 \atop 4} \oplus 3$
$\begin{smallmatrix}3\\2&4\\&&4\end{smallmatrix}\oplus4$	${3\atop 2}{4\atop 4}\oplus{3\atop 4}\oplus{3\atop 2}{2\atop 2}$	$2 \oplus \frac{1}{3} \oplus \frac{3}{2}$	$1 \bigoplus 2 \bigoplus 4$	

(3) All support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\mathbb{D}_4^1$ -modules with support-rank  $0 \leqslant s \leqslant 2$  are

${}^3_4 \oplus 4$	${3 \atop 2} \oplus 2$	$\frac{1}{3} \oplus 3$	$1 \oplus 2$	$2 \oplus 4$	1	2
${}^3_4 \oplus 3$	${3 \atop 2} \oplus 3$	$\frac{1}{3} \oplus 1$	$1 \oplus 4$	0	3	4

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