## MA3203 - Problem sheet 2

**Problem 1.** Let k be a field. Find the representations corresponding to the modules  $\Lambda e_i$  for the different possible values of i and for the different cases of  $\Lambda$  listed below.

(a)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3$$

(b)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/\langle \rho \rangle$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3$$

and  $\rho = \{\beta \alpha\}.$ 

(c)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/\langle \rho \rangle$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3$$

and  $\rho = \{\beta \alpha\}.$ 

(d)  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/\langle \rho \rangle$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the quiver:

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha \atop \beta} 2 \bigcirc \gamma$$

and  $\rho = {\gamma \alpha, \gamma^3}.$ 

**Problem 2.** Find a composition series for the following representations:

- (a)  $\Lambda e_1$  where  $\Lambda$  is as in (c) above.
- (b)  $\Lambda e_1$  where  $\Lambda$  is as in (d) above.

## Problem 3.

- (a) Given a ring  $\Lambda$ . Show that a  $\Lambda$ -module M is decomposable if and only if its endomorphism ring  $\operatorname{End}_{\Lambda}(M) = \{f \colon M \to M \mid f \Lambda \text{-homomorphism}\}$  contains a nontrivial idempotent (i.e. there is an f in  $\operatorname{End}_{\Lambda}(M)$  such that  $f^2 = f$  and  $f \neq 0, 1$ ).
- (b) Use (a) to show that  $\Lambda e_1$  where  $\Lambda$  is as in (b) in Problem 1 is indecomposable.
- (c) Given  $\Lambda = k\Gamma/\langle \rho \rangle$ , where  $\Gamma$  is a quiver with vertices  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  and  $\rho$  is a set of relations. Assume that  $J^t \subset \langle \rho \rangle \subset J^2$  for some t.

Show that the endomorphism ring  $\operatorname{End}_{\Lambda}(\Lambda e_i)^{\operatorname{op}}$  is isomorphic to  $e_i \Lambda e_i$ . Conclude (using (a)) that  $\Lambda e_i$  is indecomposable for each i.

(d) Given a ring  $\Lambda$  and two simple  $\Lambda$ -modules S and S'. Show that if  $f: S \to S'$  is a nonzero  $\Lambda$ -homomorphism, then f is an isomorphism.

**Problem 4.** Let  $\Gamma$  be the quiver with relations as in (b) in Problem 1, and let V be its representation over k given by: V(1) = k,  $V(2) = k^2$ ,  $V(3) = k^2$ ,  $f_{\alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $f_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Determine if V is decomposable, and if it is, find its decomposition into a direct sum of indecomposable representations.

Furthermore, find a composition series for V.

**Problem 5.** Let k be a field and let  $\Gamma$  be the quiver

$$2 \xrightarrow{3 \longrightarrow 4}$$

For an ordered pair (i,j) of elements in k, let  $M_{ij}$  be the representation given by

$$k \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} k^2 \xrightarrow{(i \ j)} k$$

$$k \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}} k$$

- (a) determine for which (i, j) the representation  $M_{ij}$  is indecomposable and for which (i, j) it decomposes.
- (b) Prove that if  $M_{ij}$  and  $M_{rs}$  are indecomposable then they are isomorphic. Is the same true if  $M_{ij}$  and  $M_{rs}$  decomposes?

**Problem 6.** Let  $\Lambda_c$  be the algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  with basis  $\{e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ , where c is a given complex number. The multiplication is given by the following multiplication table:

	$e_0$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$
$e_0$	$e_0$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$
$e_1$	$e_1$	$e_3$	$e_3$	0
$e_2$	$e_2$	$-e_3$	$ce_3$	0
$e_3$	$e_3$	0	0	0

For which c and c' are the algebras  $\Lambda_c$  and  $\Lambda_{c'}$  isomorphic?

Challenge 1. Find a quiver with relations  $\rho_c$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $\Lambda_c \cong \mathbb{C}\Gamma/\langle \rho_c \rangle$ .

Challenge 2. Show that there exists an infinite number of non-isomorphic indecomposable modules over  $\Lambda_c$  for any value of c in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Problem 7.** Let k be a field and  $\Gamma$  the quiver

$$\alpha \bigcap 1 \xrightarrow{\delta} 2 \bigcap \beta$$

with relations  $\rho = \{\delta \gamma - \alpha^2, \alpha^3 - \alpha^2, \gamma \delta - \beta^2, \beta^3 - \beta^2, \alpha \delta - \delta \beta, \gamma \alpha - \beta \gamma \}.$ 

- (a) Show that the dimension of  $k\Gamma/\langle \rho \rangle$  over k is 12.
- (b) Show that the subspace of  $k\Gamma/\langle\rho\rangle$  spanned by  $\alpha^2, \gamma\alpha^2, \alpha^2\delta, \beta^2$  is a ring which is isomorphic to  $M_2(k)$ -ring of  $2\times 2$ -matrices over k.

**Problem 8.** We say that a ring  $\Lambda$  is local if the nonunits of  $\Lambda$  (elements in  $\Lambda$  without multiplicative invers) form an ideal in  $\Lambda$ .

Show that if  $\Lambda$  is local, then 0 and 1 are the only idempotents in  $\Lambda$ .