

# Morphisms determined by objects - Johan Steen

Outline : § 1. Auslander's theorems ( $\text{mod } \Lambda$ )

- basic definitions
- lattices following Ringel
- the theorems
- relation to AR-theory

§ 2. Existence and non-existence in additive categories

Let  $\Lambda$  be an artin algebra. We work in  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ .

Definition [Auslander] :  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$  is right  $C$ -determined ( $C \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ) if for  $\alpha': X' \rightarrow Y$ ,

$$\alpha' \text{ factors through } \alpha \iff \text{im } \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(C, \alpha') \subseteq \text{im } \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(C, \alpha)$$

As a diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \rightarrow Y \\ C & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & X' \xrightarrow{\alpha'} Y \\ \downarrow \psi & \lrcorner & \nearrow s \end{array}$$

- Recall :
- $f: A \rightarrow B$  is right minimal if  $fh=f \implies h$  isom.
  - for any  $f$ , there is a right minimal version  $f_!: A_! \rightarrow B$  by writing  $A = A_0 \oplus A_1$ , with  $A_0 \subseteq \ker f$  maximal

- Observations :
- $\alpha$  right  $C$ -determined  $\implies \alpha$  right  $C \otimes C'$ -determined for all  $C'$
  - $\alpha$  right  $C$ -determined  $\iff \alpha_!$  right  $C$ -determined ( $\alpha_!$  as in Recall above)
  - $\alpha$  right minimal,  $\alpha$  right  $\Lambda$ -determined  $\iff \alpha$  monom.

Proof : " $\Rightarrow$ " let  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $\alpha \circ \psi = 0$  with  $\psi: A \rightarrow X$

Then we have  $\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} Y \\ A & \xrightarrow{\psi} & \xrightarrow{s} \text{im } \alpha \\ \downarrow o & & \end{array}$  and  $\alpha \circ \alpha = \alpha$ , thus  $s\alpha$  is isom.  
 $\text{and } s\alpha \circ \psi = 0 \implies \psi = 0$

" $\Leftarrow$ " follows by def.

Theorem : Let  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$  be any morphism. Then  $\alpha$  is right  $\tau^-(\ker \alpha) \oplus \Lambda$ -determined.  
 This result by Auslander was sharpened by Ringel : — " —  $\tau^-(\ker \alpha) \oplus P(\text{soc coker } \alpha)$  - det.

Remark : [ARS] there is a minimal determining object,  $C(\alpha)$ .

## Lattices

Fix  $\mathcal{Y} \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ;  $\alpha: X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ ,  $\beta: W \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  are called right equivalent if  $\alpha$  factors through  $\beta$  and  $\beta$  factors through  $\alpha$ .

$[\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] := \{ [\alpha: X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] \}$  is the right factorization lattice:

- poset:  $[\alpha'] \leq [\alpha]$  if  $\alpha'$  factors through  $\alpha$ .

- join:  $[\alpha: X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] \vee [\alpha': X' \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] = [(\alpha \alpha'): X \oplus X' \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}]$

- meet:  $[\alpha] \wedge [\alpha'] = [\text{PB} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}]$ ,  $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{PB} & \dashrightarrow & X' \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \alpha' \\ X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y \end{array}$  (Reichbach-construction)

$[\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] := \{ [\alpha: X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] \mid \alpha \text{ right } C\text{-determined} \}$ ; this is a subposet, it is closed under meets, but not joins.

Theorem 1 [Auslander]:  $[\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] = \bigcup_C [\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}]$ .

On the other hand, we have  $\text{Shom}_\Lambda(C, \mathcal{Y})$  submodule lattice (right  $\text{End}(C)\text{-mod}$ )  
 $\text{im } \text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, \alpha: X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y})$  is a submodule of  $\text{Hom}(C, \mathcal{Y})$ .

So one defines  $\eta_{CY}: [\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] \longrightarrow \text{Shom}_\Lambda(C, \mathcal{Y})$ , where  $[\alpha] \mapsto \text{im } \text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, \alpha)$ .

This is well-defined and injective:  $[\alpha] = [\beta] \iff \text{im } \text{Hom}(C, \alpha) = \text{im } \text{Hom}(C, \beta)$ .

It also preserves meets

Theorem 2 [Auslander, Ringel]:  $\eta_{CY}$  is surjective, in fact it is a lattice isom.

Remark: •  $\alpha$   $C$ -determined, is actually determined by both  $C$  and  $\text{im } \text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, \alpha)$ .

## Relation to AR-theory

Let  $C = \mathcal{Y}$  be indecomposable. Then  ${}^Y[\rightarrow \mathcal{Y}] \cong \text{End}_\Lambda(\mathcal{Y}) \cong \underline{m}$

Let  $\alpha$  be the right minimal morphism determined by  $\mathcal{Y}$  and  $\underline{m}$ .  $\alpha$  is not split epim.

and:  $\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{Y} \\ & \nwarrow h & \end{array}$  factors  $\iff \text{im } (\mathcal{Y}, h) \subseteq \text{im } (\mathcal{Y}, \alpha) = \underline{m} \iff h \text{ not isom.}$

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Hence  $\alpha$  is right minimal almost split.

If  $\mathcal{Y}$  is non-projective, then  $0 \longrightarrow \ker \alpha \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow \mathcal{Y} \longrightarrow 0$  is a short ex. seq.  
 $\cong \mathcal{Y}$  and almost split exact.

## § 2. Existence and non-existence in additive categories [Krause, Chen-Le]

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an additive category

Definition:  $\mathcal{C}$  has right determined (epi)morphisms if for all  $y \in \mathcal{C}$ :

- (1) every  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$  (epi)morphism is right  $C$ -determined by some  $C \in \mathcal{C}$
- (2) for any  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $H \subseteq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, Y)$  there is a (epi)morphism  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$  which is right  $C$ -determined and  $\text{im } \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, \alpha) = H$ .

From now let  $\mathcal{C}$  be

- essentially small
- $k$ -linear
- Hom-finite
- idempotent complete

Proposition [Krause]:  $\mathcal{C}$  has determined morphisms  $\iff \mathcal{C}$  is a dualizing  $k$ -variety [AR'74].

## Triangulated categories

Theorem [Krause]:  $\mathcal{C}$  in addition triangulated.  $\mathcal{C}$  admits a Serre functor  $S$   
 $\iff \mathcal{C}$  has determined morphisms.  $\alpha$  is right determined  $S^{-1}(\text{cone}(\alpha))$ .

## Abelian categories

$\mathcal{C}$  abelian has Serre duality if  $\exists \tau: \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{C}$  such that

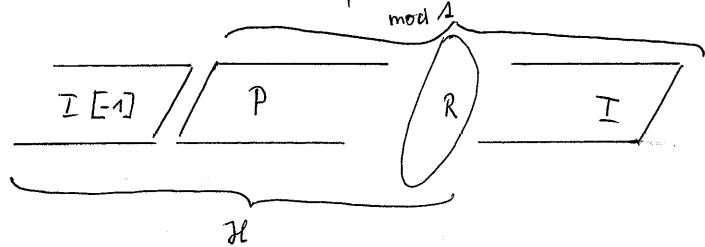
$$\text{DExt}^1(X, Y) \cong \text{Hom}(Y, \tau X) \quad (*)$$

Theorem [Chen-Le]:  $\mathcal{C}$  has Serre duality  $\iff \mathcal{C}$  has right determined epism. and left determined monom.

Observe: Let  $\alpha: X \rightarrow Y$  be right determined by some  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ , where  $\mathcal{C}$  is as in the thm.  
 Choose  $\beta: Z \rightarrow Y$  right  $C$ -determined st.  $\text{im } \text{Hom}(C, \alpha) = \text{im } \text{Hom}(C, \beta)$ .  
 Then  $[\alpha] = [\beta]$ , so  $\alpha$  is epim.

Consequence:  $\Lambda = hQ$ ,  $Q$  not dynkin.

(\*) holds for  $A\mathbb{K}$ -translate, but  $\tau(P) = 0$ . So  $\tau$  is not an equivalence.



Then  $H$  is a hereditary category with Serre duality. There are morphisms in  $H$  that are not epim. and are therefore not right  $C$ -determined by any  $C$ .