

# Tilting Bimodules from Tilting Pairs

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**Abstract** Tilting pair was introduced by Miyashita in 2001 as a generalization of tilting module. In this paper, we construct a tilting left  $\text{End}_\Lambda(C)$ -right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -bimodule for a given tilting pairs  $(C, T)$  in  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ , where  $\Lambda$  is an Artin algebra.

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## 0. Introduction

The notion of a tilting module over an Artin algebra  $\Lambda$  was introduced by Brenner and Butler [1]. Tilting modules have been investigated by many authors since then. Tilting theory plays an important role in the representation theory of Artin algebra. Miyashita [2] introduced the notion of tilting pairs in constructing tilting modules with a left tilting series of ideals of an Artin algebra. It is a useful tool in the tilting theory.

In this paper, our aim is to investigate some properties of tilting pairs. For a given  $n$ -tilting pair  $(C, T)$  in  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ , we obtain that  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  is a tilting left  $\text{End}_\Lambda(C)$ -right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -bimodule of projective dimension  $\leq n$  on both sides.

## 1. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, all algebras  $\Lambda$  are Artin algebras and  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  denotes the category of finitely generated left  $\Lambda$ -modules. We usually view a right  $\Lambda$ -module as a left  $\Lambda^{\text{op}}$ -module. By a subcategory of  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ , we always mean a full subcategory closed under isomorphisms. For a  $\Lambda$ -module  $T$ , we denote by  $\text{add } T$  the subcategory of all direct summands of finite sum of copies of  $T$ .

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For a subcategory  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\text{mod } \Lambda$ , we denote by  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$  the subcategory of  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  whose objects are the  $\Lambda$ -modules  $M$  for which there is a finite exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}$ , and denote by  $\dim_{\mathcal{C}}(M)$  the minimal integer  $n$  such that there is an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}$ , and  $(\hat{\mathcal{C}})_n$  the category of all  $M \in \hat{\mathcal{C}}$  with  $\dim_{\mathcal{C}}(M) \leq n$ . Dually we denote by  $\check{\mathcal{C}}$  the subcategory of  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  whose objects are the  $\Lambda$ -modules  $M$  which admit a finite exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow C_0 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow 0$  with  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}$ . Similarly,  $\text{codim}_{\mathcal{C}}(M)$  and  $(\check{\mathcal{C}})_n$  can be defined dually.

Now we recall the notion of tilting and cotilting modules in [3, 4]. A  $\Lambda$ -module  $T$  is called  $n$ -tilting if (1)  $\text{pd}_{\Lambda} T \leq n$ , (2)  $T$  is selforthogonal, i.e.,  $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda}^i(T, T) = 0$  for all  $i > 0$ , and (3) there is a projective generator  $P$  such that  $P \in (\text{add } T)_n$ . Dually, a  $\Lambda$ -module  $C$  is called  $n$ -cotilting if (1)  $\text{id}_{\Lambda} C \leq n$ , (2)  $C$  is selforthogonal, and (3) there is an injective cogenerator  $I$  such that  $I \in (\text{add } C)_n$ .

For a subcategory  $\mathcal{C}$  (a module  $T$ ), we define

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{\perp}\mathcal{C} &= \bigcap_{i \geq 1} \text{KerExt}_{\Lambda}^i(-, \mathcal{C}) = \{M \in \text{mod } \Lambda \mid \text{Ext}_{\Lambda}^i(M, C) = 0 \text{ for all } C \in \mathcal{C} \text{ and } i \geq 1\}; \\ \mathcal{C}^{\perp} &= \bigcap_{i \geq 1} \text{KerExt}_{\Lambda}^i(\mathcal{C}, -); \quad {}^{\perp}T = \bigcap_{i \geq 1} \text{KerExt}_{\Lambda}^i(-, T); \quad T^{\perp} = \bigcap_{i \geq 1} \text{KerExt}_{\Lambda}^i(T, -). \end{aligned}$$

For a selforthogonal  $\Lambda$ -module  $T$ , we denote by  ${}_T\mathcal{X}$  the subcategory of  $T^{\perp}$  whose objects are the  $\Lambda$ -modules  $X$  such that there is an exact sequence  $\cdots \rightarrow T_m \xrightarrow{f_m} T_{m-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow T_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} X \rightarrow 0$  with  $T_i \in \text{add } T$  and  $\text{Im } f_i \in T^{\perp}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .

For convenience, we often denote  $\text{Hom}(A, B)$  by  $(A, B)$ , specially in some commutative diagrams.

## 2. Orthogonality of modules

The orthogonality of modules is needed for our discussion.

**Lemma 2.1** *Assume that  $T$  is a selforthogonal module. Then for any  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ,  $Y \in \text{add } T$ , we have*

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{End}_{\Lambda}(T)^{\text{op}}}(\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(Y, T), \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(X, T)) \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(X, Y).$$

In particular, (a) if  $X \in \text{add } T$ , then

$$\text{End}_{\text{End}_{\Lambda}(T)^{\text{op}}}(\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(X, T)) \cong \text{End}_{\Lambda}(X);$$

(b) For  $Y \in \text{add } T$ , we have

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{End}_{\Lambda}(T)^{\text{op}}}(\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(Y, T), T) \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(\Lambda, Y) \cong Y.$$

**Proof** (1) Suppose that  $Y \in \text{add } T$ . By the additivity of  $e_T = \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(-, T)$ , we can easily see that

$$e_T : \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{End}_{\Lambda}(T)^{\text{op}}}(\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(Y, T), \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(X, T))$$

is an isomorphism for  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  (see [5, Lemma 3.3]).

(2) Suppose that  $Y \in \check{\text{add}} T$ . Then there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow T_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} T_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots \rightarrow T_{n-1} \xrightarrow{f_n} T_n \rightarrow 0$$

with  $T_i \in \text{add} T$ . Since  $T$  is selforthogonal, by dimension shifting we have  $\text{Ker} f_i \in {}^\perp T$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . So we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow T_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} T_1$$

with  $\text{Im} f_1, \text{Coker} f_1 \in {}^\perp T$ . Then we have an exact sequence

$$\text{Hom}_\Lambda(T_1, T) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Lambda(T_0, T) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Lambda(Y, T) \rightarrow 0.$$

Now applying the left exact functor  $\text{Hom}_{\text{End}(\Lambda T)^{\text{op}}}(-, \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T))$  to this exact sequence, we obtain the following commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T_0) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T_1) & (2.1) \\ & & \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow g_3 & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & ((Y, T), (X, T)) & \longrightarrow & ((T_0, T), (X, T)) & \longrightarrow & ((T_1, T), (X, T)). & \end{array}$$

By (1) both  $g_2, g_3$  are isomorphisms. From Diagram (2.1), we have  $g_1$  is an isomorphism. That is,

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{End}(\Lambda T)^{\text{op}}}(\text{Hom}_\Lambda(Y, T), \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T)) \cong \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, Y)$$

for any  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and any  $Y \in \check{\text{add}} T$ .  $\square$

Now we can prove the following results.

**Lemma 2.2** *Assume that  $T$  is a selforthogonal module. Then for any  $X \in {}^\perp T$  and any  $Y \in \check{\text{add}} T$ , we have an isomorphism*

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{End}(T)^{\text{op}}}^i(\text{Hom}_\Lambda(Y, T), \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T)) \cong \text{Ext}_\Lambda^i(X, Y)$$

for all  $i \geq 1$ .

**Proof** Since  $Y \in \check{\text{add}} T$ , there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow T_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} T_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots \rightarrow T_{n-1} \xrightarrow{f_n} T_n \rightarrow 0$$

with  $T_i \in \text{add} T$ . It is easy to know  $\text{Im} f_i \in {}^\perp T$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then the sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Lambda(\text{Im} f_1, T) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Lambda(T_0, T) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_\Lambda(Y, T) \rightarrow 0$  is exact. Note that  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(T_0, T)$  is  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)^{\text{op}}$ -projective. Thus

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{End}(T)^{\text{op}}}^1(\text{Hom}_\Lambda(T_0, T), \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T)) = 0.$$

Since  $T_0, \text{Im} f_1 \in \check{\text{add}} T$ , both  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, T_0) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, \text{Im} f_1) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_\Lambda^1(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow & & \\ ((T_0, T), (X, T)) & \longrightarrow & ((\text{Im} f_1, T), (X, T)) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{\text{End}(T)^{\text{op}}}^1((Y, T), (X, T)) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

are isomorphisms by Lemma 2.1. It follows that

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{End}(T)^{\mathrm{op}}}^1((Y, T), (X, T)) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda}^1(X, Y).$$

Now the result follows from a dimension shifting.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3** *Assume that  $T$  is a selforthogonal module. Then for any  $C \in \mathop{\mathrm{add}}\check{T}$ , we have*

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{End}(T)^{\mathrm{op}}}^i(\mathrm{Hom}_{\Lambda}(C, T), T) = 0.$$

**Proof** Let  $X = \Lambda \in {}^{\perp}T$  and  $C = Y \in \mathop{\mathrm{add}}\check{T}$ . By Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{End}(T)^{\mathrm{op}}}^i(\mathrm{Hom}_{\Lambda}(C, T), \mathrm{Hom}_{\Lambda}(\Lambda, T)) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda}^i(\Lambda, C) = 0. \quad \square$$

### 3. Tilting bimodules

We first recall the notion of tilting pairs.

**Definition 3.1** ([2, Section 2]) *A pair  $(C, T)$  is called a tilting pair if the following conditions hold:*

- (1)  $C$  is selforthogonal; (2)  $T$  is selforthogonal; (3)  $T \in \mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C}$  and (4)  $C \in \mathop{\mathrm{add}}\check{T}$ .

We say that  $(C, T)$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair (or a tilting pair of dimension  $n$ ) if  $(C, T)$  is a tilting pair such that  $\dim_{\mathrm{add} C} C(T) \leq n$ .

Let  $\Lambda$  be an Artin algebra over a commutative Artin ring  $R$ , that is,  $\Lambda$  is an Artin  $R$ -algebra. Denote the Artin algebra duality  $\mathrm{Hom}_R(-, E(R/J(R)))$  by  $\mathbb{D}$ , where  $J(R)$  is Jacobson radical of  $R$  and  $E(R/J(R))$  is the injective envelope of  $R/J(R)$ . Note that  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)$  is a finitely generated two-sided injective cogenerator [6, Section 3.2].

**Lemma 3.2** *Assume that  $C, T \in \mathrm{mod} \Lambda$ . Then the following conditions hold:*

- (1)  $T$  is a  $n$ -tilting module if and only if  $(\Lambda, T)$  is an  $n$ -tilting pair;
- (2)  $C$  is a  $n$ -cotilting module if and only if  $(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair.

**Proof** We only prove (2).  $\Rightarrow$ . Assume that  $C$  is an  $n$ -cotilting module. Then there is an injective cogenerator  $I$  such that  $I \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n$ . By [7, Lemma 2.1], we know that  $(\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n = \{X \in {}_C\mathcal{X} \mid \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda}^{n+1}(X, C^{\perp}) = 0\}$  is closed under extensions and direct summands. Note that  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda) \in \mathrm{add} I$ . We have  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda) \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n$ . On the other hand, since  $\mathrm{id}_{\Lambda} C \leq n$ , there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow I_0 \rightarrow I_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow I_{n-1} \rightarrow I_n \rightarrow 0$$

with  $I_i$  injective. Since  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)$  is an injective cogenerator, we have that  $I_i \in \mathrm{add} \mathbb{D}(\Lambda)$ . Hence  $C \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\check{\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)})_n$ . It is now easy to check that  $(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair.

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that  $(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair. Since  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)$  is an injective cogenerator, we have that  $\mathrm{id}_{\Lambda} C \leq n$  from  $C \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\check{\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)})_n$ . By [2, Proposition 2.3] we also have  $\mathbb{D}(\Lambda) \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n$ . But  $(\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n$  is closed under extensions and direct summands. So we have that  $E \in (\mathop{\mathrm{add}}\hat{C})_n$  for every injective cogenerator  $E$ . Therefore,  $C$  is a  $n$ -cotilting module.  $\square$

Now we can obtain a tilting bimodule from a given tilting pair.

**Theorem 3.3** *Assume that  $(C, T)$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair. Then  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  is a tilting left  $\text{End}_\Lambda(C)$ -right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -bimodule of projective dimension  $\leq n$  on both sides.*

**Proof** Since  $C \in \text{add}T$ , it follows immediately from the proof of Lemma 2.2 that there exists a projective resolution of right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -modules  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  of form

$$0 \rightarrow (T_n, T) \rightarrow (T_{n-1}, T) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow (T_1, T) \rightarrow (T_0, T) \rightarrow (C, T) \rightarrow 0$$

with  $T_i \in \text{add}T$ . So we have  $\text{pd}_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)} \text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T) \leq n$ .

On the other hand, since  $T \in \text{add}C$ , there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_n \xrightarrow{f_n} C_{n-1} \xrightarrow{f_{n-1}} \cdots \rightarrow C_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} C_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} T \rightarrow 0 \quad (3.1)$$

with  $C_i \in \text{add}C$ . Since  $C$  is selforthogonal, by a dimension shifting to this sequence, we know that  $\text{Im}f_i \in C^\perp$ , in particular,  $T \in C^\perp$ . Since  $T$  is selforthogonal, applying  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(-, T)$  to the sequence above, we have that  $\text{Im}f_i \in {}^\perp T$  and then the sequence of right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -module

$$0 \rightarrow (T, T) \rightarrow (C_0, T) \rightarrow (C_1, T) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow (C_{n-1}, T) \rightarrow (C_n, T) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. That is,  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)} \in \text{add}(\tilde{C}, T)$ .

Moreover, since  $C \in {}^\perp T$ ,  $C \in \text{add}T$  in a tilting pair  $(C, T)$ , by Lemma 2.2 we have

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)^{\text{op}}}^i((C, T), (C, T)) \cong \text{Ext}_\Lambda^i(C, C) = 0.$$

This means  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  is selforthogonal as a right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -module. Therefore  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  is a tilting module of projective dimension  $\leq n$  as a right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(T)$ -module.

Finally, by [2, Proposition 2.3],  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)$  is also a tilting module of projective dimension  $\leq n$  as a left  $\text{End}_\Lambda(C)$ -module.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4** ([3, Theorem 1.5]) *Assume that  ${}_\Lambda T$  is a tilting module of projective dimension  $\leq n$ . Then  $T_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)}$  is a tilting module of projective dimension  $\leq n$ .*

**Proof** Setting  $C = \Lambda$  in Theorem 3.3, we get that

$$\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, T)_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)} = \text{Hom}_\Lambda(\Lambda, T)_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)} \cong T_{\text{End}_\Lambda(T)}$$

is a tilting module of projective dimension  $\leq n$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5** *Assume that  ${}_\Lambda C$  is a  $n$ -cotilting module. Then  $\mathbb{D}(C)$  is  $n$ -tilting as a right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(\mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$ -module, i.e., a right  $\Lambda$ -module.*

**Proof** Since  ${}_\Lambda C$  is a  $n$ -cotilting module, by Lemma 3.2,  $(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$  is a  $n$ -tilting pair. Then by adjoint isomorphism [8, Theorem 2.11] we have

$$\text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda)) \cong \text{Hom}_R(\Lambda \otimes_\Lambda C, E(R/J(R))) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E(R/J(R))) = \mathbb{D}(C).$$

By Theorem 3.3, we have that  $\mathbb{D}(C) \cong \text{Hom}_\Lambda(C, \mathbb{D}(\Lambda))$  is  $n$ -tilting as a right  $\text{End}_\Lambda(\mathbb{D}(C))$ -module. Meanwhile, we have that

$$\text{End}_\Lambda(\mathbb{D}(\Lambda)) \cong \text{Hom}_\Lambda(\text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, E(R/J(R))), \text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, E(R/J(R))))$$

$$\cong \mathrm{Hom}_R(\Lambda \otimes_\Lambda \mathrm{Hom}_R(\Lambda, E(R/J(R))), E(R/J(R))) \cong \mathbb{D}^2(\Lambda) \cong \Lambda.$$

Hence  $\mathbb{D}(C)$  is a right  $n$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -module.  $\square$

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