

ON SELF-INJECTIVE ALGEBRAS OF
FINITE REPRESENTATION TYPE

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Abstract. We describe the structure of finite-dimensional self-injective algebras of finite representation type over a field whose stable Auslander–Reiten quiver has a sectional module not lying on a short chain.

Introduction. Throughout the paper, by an *algebra* we mean a basic indecomposable finite-dimensional associative K -algebra with an identity over a (fixed) field K . For an algebra A , we denote by $\text{mod } A$ the category of finite-dimensional right A -modules, and by D the standard duality $\text{Hom}_K(-, K)$ on $\text{mod } A$. We denote by Γ_A the Auslander–Reiten quiver of A , and by τ_A and τ_A^{-1} the Auslander–Reiten translations $D\text{Tr}$ and $\text{Tr}D$, respectively. We will not distinguish between an indecomposable module in $\text{mod } A$ and the vertex of Γ_A corresponding to it. An algebra A is called *self-injective* if $A \cong D(A)$ in $\text{mod } A$, that is, the projective modules in $\text{mod } A$ are injective. In the representation theory of self-injective algebras an important role is played by the self-injective algebras A which admit Galois coverings of the form $\widehat{B} \rightarrow \widehat{B}/G = A$, where \widehat{B} is the repetitive category of an algebra B and G is an admissible group of automorphisms of \widehat{B} (see [22], [29]).

We are concerned with the problem of describing the Morita equivalence classes of self-injective algebras of finite representation type, that is, the self-injective algebras A for which $\text{mod } A$ admits only finitely many indecomposable modules up to isomorphism. For K algebraically closed, the problem was solved in the early 1980's by Riedtmann (see [4], [16], [17], [18]) via the combinatorial classification of the Auslander–Reiten quivers of self-injective algebras of finite representation type over K . Equivalently, Riedtmann's classification can be presented as follows (see [22, Section 3]): a non-simple self-injective algebra A over an algebraically closed field K is of finite representation type if and only if A is a socle deformation of an orbit algebra \widehat{B}/G , where B is a tilted algebra of Dynkin type \mathbb{A}_n ($n \geq 1$),

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\mathbb{D}_n ($n \geq 4$), \mathbb{E}_6 , \mathbb{E}_7 , \mathbb{E}_8 , and G is an admissible infinite cyclic group of automorphisms of \widehat{B} . It was conjectured in [29, Problem 2.4] that a non-simple self-injective algebra A over an arbitrary field K is of finite representation type if and only if A is a socle deformation of an orbit algebra \widehat{B}/G , where B is a tilted algebra of Dynkin type \mathbb{A}_n ($n \geq 1$), \mathbb{B}_n ($n \geq 2$), \mathbb{C}_n ($n \geq 3$), \mathbb{D}_n ($n \geq 4$), \mathbb{E}_6 , \mathbb{E}_7 , \mathbb{E}_8 , \mathbb{F}_4 or \mathbb{G}_2 . This is currently an exciting open problem. An important known result towards solution of this problem is the Riedtmann–Todorov description of the stable Auslander–Reiten quivers of self-injective algebras of finite representation type over an arbitrary field (see [16], [31], [30, Section IV.15]). We also refer to [28] for related results on stable equivalences of self-injective algebras of finite representation type.

The main aim of the paper is to show that a non-simple self-injective algebra A of a finite representation type whose stable Auslander–Reiten quiver admits a section with good behaviour in the module category $\text{mod } A$ is isomorphic to an orbit algebra \widehat{B}/G , where B is a tilted algebra of Dynkin type and G is an infinite cyclic group of automorphisms of \widehat{B} .

For basic background on the representation theory applied in this paper we refer to [1] and [30].

1. The main result and related background. Let B be an algebra and $1_B = e_1 + \cdots + e_n$ a decomposition of the identity of B into a sum of pairwise orthogonal primitive idempotents. We associate to B a self-injective locally bounded K -category \widehat{B} , called the *repetitive category* of B (see [11], [20]). The objects of \widehat{B} are $e_{m,i}$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, and the morphism spaces are defined as follows:

$$\widehat{B}(e_{m,i}, e_{r,j}) = \begin{cases} e_j B e_i, & r = m, \\ D(e_i B e_j), & r = m + 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Observe that $e_j B e_i = \text{Hom}_B(e_i B, e_j B)$, $D(e_i B e_j) = e_j D(B) e_i$ and

$$\bigoplus_{(r,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \{1, \dots, n\}} \widehat{B}(e_{m,i}, e_{r,j}) = e_j B \oplus D(B e_j)$$

for any $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. We denote by $\nu_{\widehat{B}}$ the *Nakayama automorphism* of \widehat{B} defined by

$$\nu_{\widehat{B}}(e_{m,i}) = e_{m+1,i} \quad \text{for all } (m,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

An automorphism φ of the K -category \widehat{B} is said to be:

- *positive* if for each pair $(m,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \{1, \dots, n\}$ we have $\varphi(e_{m,i}) = e_{p,j}$ for some $p \geq m$ and some $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$;

- *rigid* if for each pair $(m, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \{1, \dots, n\}$ there exists $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ such that $\varphi(e_{m,i}) = e_{m,j}$;
- *strictly positive* if it is positive but not rigid.

Then the automorphisms $\nu_{\widehat{B}}^r$, $r \geq 1$, are strictly positive automorphisms of \widehat{B} .

A group G of automorphisms of \widehat{B} is said to be *admissible* if G acts freely on the set of objects of \widehat{B} and has finitely many orbits. Then we may consider the orbit category \widehat{B}/G of \widehat{B} with respect to G whose objects are the G -orbits of objects in \widehat{B} , and the morphism spaces are given by

$$(\widehat{B}/G)(a, b) = \left\{ f_{y,x} \in \prod_{(x,y) \in a \times b} \widehat{B}(x, y) \mid gf_{y,x} = f_{gy,gx}, \forall g \in G, (x,y) \in a \times b \right\}$$

for all objects a, b of \widehat{B}/G . Since \widehat{B}/G has finitely many objects and the morphism spaces in \widehat{B}/G are finite-dimensional, we have the associated finite-dimensional, self-injective K -algebra $\bigoplus(\widehat{B}/G)$ which is the direct sum of all morphism spaces in \widehat{B}/G , called the *orbit algebra* of \widehat{B} with respect to G . We will identify \widehat{B}/G with $\bigoplus(\widehat{B}/G)$. For example, for each positive integer r , the infinite cyclic group $(\nu_{\widehat{B}}^r)$ generated by the r th power $\nu_{\widehat{B}}^r$ of $\nu_{\widehat{B}}$ is an admissible group of automorphisms of \widehat{B} , and we have the associated self-injective orbit algebra

$$T(B)^{(r)} = \widehat{B}/(\nu_{\widehat{B}}^r) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \left[\begin{array}{ccccccc} b_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ f_2 & b_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_3 & b_3 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & f_{r-1} & b_{r-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & f_1 & b_1 \end{array} \right] \\ b_1, \dots, b_{r-1} \in B, f_1, \dots, f_{r-1} \in D(B) \end{array} \right\},$$

called the *r-fold trivial extension algebra of B*. In particular, $T(B)^{(1)} \cong T(B) = B \times D(B)$ is the trivial extension of B by the injective cogenerator $D(B)$.

Let H be a hereditary algebra and Q_H its valued quiver. Following [3], [9], a module T in $\text{mod } H$ is called a *tilting module* if $\text{Ext}_H^1(T, T) = 0$ and T is a direct sum of n pairwise non-isomorphic, indecomposable modules, where n is the rank of the Grothendieck group $K_0(H)$ of H (equivalently, the number of vertices of Q_H). Then the endomorphism algebra $B = \text{End}_H(T)$ is called a *tilted algebra* of H . Further, the images $\text{Hom}_H(T, I)$ of indecomposable in-

jective modules I in $\text{mod } H$ via the functor $\text{Hom}_H(T, -): \text{mod } H \rightarrow \text{mod } B$ form a section Δ_T of a connected component \mathcal{C}_T of Γ_B , called the *connecting component* of Γ_B determined by T , which connects the torsion-free part $\mathcal{Y}(T) = \{Y \in \text{mod } B \mid \text{Tor}_1^B(Y, T) = 0\}$ and the torsion part $\mathcal{X}(T) = \{X \in \text{mod } B \mid X \otimes_B T = 0\}$ (see [9]). Moreover, by a criterion of Liu–Skowroński (see [14], [21]), an algebra B is a tilted algebra of a hereditary algebra H if and only if the Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_B of B admits a connected component \mathcal{C} having a faithful section Δ such that $\text{Hom}_B(U, \tau_B V) = 0$ for all modules U, V from Δ .

Assume now that H is a hereditary algebra of finite representation type, or equivalently, Q_H is a Dynkin quiver (see [5], [6], [7]). Then for any tilting module T in $\text{mod } H$, the associated tilted algebra $B = \text{End}_H(T)$, called a *tilted algebra of Dynkin type*, is of finite representation type, and $\Gamma_B = \mathcal{C}_T$. Further, it follows from [10], [11] that the repetitive category \widehat{B} of a tilted algebra B of Dynkin type is locally representation-finite in the sense of [8]. In particular, by a theorem of Gabriel [8, Theorem 3.6] the orbit algebra $A = \widehat{B}/G$ of \widehat{B} , with respect to an admissible infinite cyclic group G of automorphisms of \widehat{B} , is a self-injective algebra of finite representation type, and the stable Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_A^s of A is the orbit quiver $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$, where $\Delta = Q_H$.

Let A be a non-simple self-injective algebra of finite representation type. Then by the Riedtmann–Todorov theorem (see [16], [31]) the stable Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_A^s of A is isomorphic to the orbit quiver $\mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$, where Δ is a Dynkin quiver and G is an infinite cyclic group of automorphisms of the translation quiver $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$. Therefore, we may associate to any self-injective algebra A of finite representation type a Dynkin graph $\Delta(A)$, called the *Dynkin type* of A , such that $\Gamma_A^s = \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ for a quiver Δ having $\Delta(A)$ as underlying graph. We also note that $\mathbb{Z}\Delta = \mathbb{Z}\Delta'$ for any quivers Δ and Δ' having $\Delta(A)$ as underlying graph. A module M in $\text{mod } A$ is said to be *sectional* if M is a direct sum of pairwise non-isomorphic indecomposable non-projective modules forming a connected full-valued subquiver Δ of Γ_A^s with $\Delta(A)$ as underlying graph. Finally, a sectional module M in $\text{mod } A$ is said to be *pure* if no direct summand of M is the radical of a projective module in $\text{mod } A$.

Let A be an algebra. Following [2], [15], a sequence $N \rightarrow M \rightarrow \tau_A N$ of non-zero homomorphisms in $\text{mod } A$ with N indecomposable is called a *short chain*, and M is the *middle* of this chain. We mention that, if M is a module in $\text{mod } A$ which is not the middle of a short chain, then every indecomposable direct summand Z of M is uniquely determined (up to isomorphism) by the simple composition factors (see [15, Corollary 2.2]). It has been recently proved in [12, Theorem] that an algebra B is a tilted algebra if and only if $\text{mod } B$ contains a sincere module M which is not the middle of a short chain.

Recall that M is called *sincere* if every simple module in $\text{mod } B$ occurs as a composition factor of M . We also refer to [13] for a description of finite-dimensional modules over algebras which are not the middle of a short chain of modules, using injective and tilting modules over hereditary algebras.

The aim of this paper is to prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.1. *Let A be a non-simple finite-dimensional basic indecomposable self-injective algebra of finite representation type over a field K . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) $\text{mod } A$ admits a pure sectional module M which is not the middle of a short chain.
- (ii) A is isomorphic to a self-injective orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\rho\nu_{\widehat{B}}^2)$, where B is a tilted algebra of the form $B = \text{End}_H(T)$ with H a hereditary algebra of Dynkin type and T is a tilting module in $\text{mod } H$ without indecomposable projective direct summands, and ρ is a positive automorphism of \widehat{B} .

We note that the module category $\text{mod } H$ of a hereditary algebra H of Dynkin type admits a tilting module T without indecomposable projective direct summands if and only if H is not a Nakayama algebra, or equivalently, the quiver Q_H of H is not an equioriented quiver

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of type \mathbb{A}_n ($n \geq 1$).

2. Self-injective algebras of Dynkin type. Let B be a triangular algebra (the quiver Q_B has no oriented cycles) and e_1, \dots, e_n be pairwise orthogonal primitive idempotents of B with $1_B = e_1 + \cdots + e_n$. We identify B with the full subcategory B_0 of the repetitive category \widehat{B} given by the objects $e_{0,i}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. For a sink i of Q_B , the *reflection* $S_i^+ B$ of B at i is the full subcategory of \widehat{B} given by the objects

$$e_{0,j}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n, \quad j \neq i, \quad \text{and} \quad e_{1,i} = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(e_{0,i}).$$

Then the quiver $Q_{S_i^+ B}$ of $S_i^+ B$ is the reflection $\sigma_i^+ Q_B$ of Q_B at i (see [11]).

Observe that $\widehat{B} = \widehat{S_i^+ B}$. By a *reflection sequence of sinks* of Q_B we mean a sequence i_1, \dots, i_t of vertices of Q_B such that i_s is a sink of $\sigma_{i_{s-1}}^+ \cdots \sigma_{i_1}^+ Q_B$ for all s in $\{1, \dots, t\}$. Moreover, for a sink i of Q_B , we denote by $T_i^+ B$ the full subcategory of \widehat{B} given by the objects

$$e_{0,j}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n, \quad \text{and} \quad e_{1,i} = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(e_{0,i}).$$

Observe that $T_i^+ B$ is the one-point extension $B[I_B(i)]$ of B by the indecomposable injective B -module $I_B(i)$ at the vertex i . By a *finite-dimensional*

\widehat{B} -module we mean a contravariant K -linear functor M from \widehat{B} to the category of K -vector spaces such that $\sum_{x \in \text{ob } \widehat{B}} \dim_K M(x)$ is finite. We denote by $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$ the category of all finite-dimensional \widehat{B} -modules. Finally, for a module M in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, we denote by $\text{supp}(M)$ the full subcategory of \widehat{B} formed by all objects x with $M(x) \neq 0$, and call it the *support* of M .

The following consequence of results proved in [10], [11] describes the supports of finite-dimensional indecomposable modules over the repetitive categories \widehat{B} of tilted algebras B of Dynkin type.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let B be a tilted algebra of Dynkin type and n the rank of $K_0(B)$. Then there exists a reflection sequence i_1, \dots, i_n of sinks of Q_B such that the following statements hold:*

- (i) $S_{i_n}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(B)$.
- (ii) For every indecomposable non-projective module M in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, $\text{supp}(M)$ is contained in one of the full subcategories of \widehat{B} given by

$$\nu_{\widehat{B}}^m(S_{i_r}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B), \quad r \in \{1, \dots, n\}, m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- (iii) For every indecomposable projective module P in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, $\text{supp}(P)$ is contained in one of the full subcategories of \widehat{B} given by

$$\nu_{\widehat{B}}^m(T_{i_r}^+ S_{i_{r-1}}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B), \quad r \in \{1, \dots, n\}, m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

The aim of this section is to prove the following theorem playing a prominent role in the proof of Theorem 1.1.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let B be a tilted algebra $\text{End}_H(T)$ of Dynkin type, Δ_T the canonical section of Γ_B given by the images $\text{Hom}_H(T, I)$ of indecomposable injective H -modules I via the functor $\text{Hom}_H(T, -): \text{mod } H \rightarrow \text{mod } B$, and M_T the direct sum of indecomposable B -modules lying on Δ_T . Moreover, let φ be a strictly positive automorphism of \widehat{B} , $A = \widehat{B}/(\varphi)$, and $F_\lambda^\varphi: \text{mod } \widehat{B} \rightarrow \text{mod } A$ the associated push-down functor. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) $F_\lambda^\varphi(M_T)$ is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$.
- (ii) $\varphi = \rho \nu_{\widehat{B}}^2$ for a positive automorphism ρ of \widehat{B} .

Proof. It follows from Theorem 2.1 that \widehat{B} is a locally representation-finite locally bounded category [8], that is, for any indecomposable module N in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$ the number of objects x in \widehat{B} with $N(x) \neq 0$ is finite. Then, applying [8, Theorem 3.6], the push-down functor $F_\lambda^\varphi: \text{mod } \widehat{B} \rightarrow \text{mod } A$ is a Galois covering of module categories preserving almost split sequences. In particular, for any indecomposable modules X and Y in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, $F_\lambda^\varphi(X)$ and $F_\lambda^\varphi(Y)$ are indecomposable modules in $\text{mod } A$, and F_λ^φ induces K -linear

isomorphisms

$$\bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(X, \varphi^r Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_A(F_\lambda^\varphi(X), F_\lambda^\varphi(Y)),$$

$$\bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(\varphi^r X, Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_A(F_\lambda^\varphi(X), F_\lambda^\varphi(Y)).$$

Here, $\varphi^r X$ and $\varphi^r Y$ denote the shifts of X and Y by the automorphism of $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$ induced by φ^r .

Assume that $F_\lambda^\varphi(M_T)$ is the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$. Then there is an indecomposable non-projective module N in $\text{mod } A$, indecomposable direct summands U and V of $F_\lambda^\varphi(M_T)$, and non-zero homomorphisms $N \rightarrow U$ and $V \rightarrow \tau_A N$. Therefore, there exist indecomposable direct summands X and Y of M_T , an indecomposable non-projective module Z in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, and non-zero homomorphisms $Y \rightarrow \tau_{\widehat{B}} Z$ and $Z \rightarrow \varphi^r X$ in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$ with $r \geq 1$ such that $F_\lambda^\varphi(X) = F_\lambda^\varphi(\varphi^r X) = U$, $F_\lambda^\varphi(Y) = V$, and $F_\lambda^\varphi(Z) = N$. Observe that for modules L, L' in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$, $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(L, L') \neq 0$ implies that $\text{supp}(L)$ and $\text{supp}(L')$ have a common object. Since $\text{supp}(M_T) = B = B_0$ and Y is a direct summand of M_T , we conclude that $\text{supp}(Y)$ is contained in B . Similarly, $\varphi^r X$ is a direct summand of $\varphi^r M_T$ and $\text{supp}(\varphi^r M_T) = \varphi^r B$, and so $\text{supp}(\varphi^r X)$ is contained in $\varphi^r B$. Applying now Theorem 2.1, we infer that $\text{supp}(\tau_{\widehat{B}} Z)$ is contained in B or one of the full subcategories $S_{i_p}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B$ for some $p \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ and the corresponding reflection sequence i_1, \dots, i_n of sinks of Q_B . Note that $B = \nu_{\widehat{B}}^{-1}(\nu_{\widehat{B}}(B)) = \nu_{\widehat{B}}^{-1}(S_{i_n}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B)$. Then it follows that $\text{supp}(Z)$ is contained in $S_{i_p}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B$ or in $S_{i_n}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(B)$ (if $p = n-1$). Hence $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(Z, \varphi^r X) \neq 0$ forces that $\text{supp}(\varphi^r X)$ is contained in a full subcategory of \widehat{B} of one of the forms $S_{i_r}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B$ for $r \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, or $\nu_{\widehat{B}}(S_{i_q}^+ \dots S_{i_1}^+ B)$ for $q \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$. This shows that $\text{supp}(\varphi^r X) = \varphi^r(\text{supp}(X))$ is contained in the full subcategory $T_{i_n}^+ \dots T_{i_1}^+ B$ of \widehat{B} given by the objects of B and $\nu_{\widehat{B}}(B)$. Summing up, we have proved that if $\varphi = \rho \nu_{\widehat{B}}^2$ for a positive automorphism ρ of \widehat{B} , then $F_\lambda^\varphi(M_T)$ is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$. Therefore, (ii) implies (i).

Assume now that φ is not of the form $\rho \nu_{\widehat{B}}^2$ for a positive automorphism ρ of \widehat{B} . Then φB is a full subcategory of $T_{i_n}^+ \dots T_{i_1}^+ B$ of \widehat{B} given by the objects of B and $\nu_{\widehat{B}}(B)$. Take an indecomposable direct summand X of M_T . Then φX is an indecomposable direct summand φM_T , and so $\text{supp}(\varphi X)$ is a full subcategory of $\text{supp}(\varphi M_T) = \varphi(\text{supp } M_T) = \varphi B$. Thus $\text{supp}(\varphi X)$ is a full subcategory of $T_{i_n}^+ \dots T_{i_1}^+ B$. We have two cases to consider.

Assume first that $\text{supp}(\varphi X)$ contains an object j which is not in B . Then $j = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(i)$ for some object i of B . Take the indecomposable projective-

injective \widehat{B} -module $P_{\widehat{B}}(j)$ at j . Clearly, we have $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j), \varphi X) \neq 0$. In fact, since X is not a projective-injective \widehat{B} -module, φX is not a projective-injective \widehat{B} -module, and hence $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j), \varphi X) \neq 0$. Clearly then $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j), \varphi M_T) \neq 0$. Observe also that we have in $\text{mod } B$ a canonical almost split sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{rad } P_{\widehat{B}}(j) \rightarrow (\text{rad } P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j)) \oplus P_{\widehat{B}}(j) \rightarrow P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j) \rightarrow 0,$$

and then $\text{rad } P_{\widehat{B}}(j) = \tau_{\widehat{B}}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j))$. Since $j = \nu_{\widehat{B}}(i)$ for some vertex i of Q_B , we conclude that $\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j)$ is the simple \widehat{B} -module $S_{\widehat{B}}(i)$ at i , and consequently $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(M_T, \text{rad } P_{\widehat{B}}(j)) \neq 0$. This shows that $F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(M_T) = F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(\varphi M_T)$ is the middle of a short chain

$$F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j)) \rightarrow F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(M_T) \rightarrow \tau_A F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(P_{\widehat{B}}(j)/\text{soc } P_{\widehat{B}}(j))$$

since $\tau_A F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(L) \cong F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(\tau_{\widehat{B}} L)$ for any indecomposable non-projective module L in $\text{mod } \widehat{B}$.

Assume now that $\text{supp}(\varphi X)$ is contained in B . Since φ is a strictly positive automorphism of \widehat{B} , the support $\text{supp}(\tau_{\widehat{B}} \varphi X)$ of $\tau_{\widehat{B}} \varphi X$ is also contained in B . Clearly, φX is an indecomposable \widehat{B} -module which is a successor of an indecomposable direct summand of M_T , because X is an indecomposable direct summand of M_T . Moreover, every indecomposable module in $\text{mod } B$ is cogenerated or generated by M_T . Hence $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{B}}(M_T, \tau_{\widehat{B}} \varphi X) = \text{Hom}_B(M_T, \tau_{\widehat{B}} \varphi X) \neq 0$. This shows that $F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(M_T)$ is the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$ of the form

$$F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(X) \rightarrow F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(M_T) \rightarrow \tau_A F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(X)$$

because $F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(X)$ is an indecomposable direct summand of $F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(M_T)$ and $F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(\tau_{\widehat{B}} \varphi X) \cong \tau_A F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(\varphi X) \cong \tau_A F_{\lambda}^{\varphi}(X)$. Therefore, (i) implies (ii). ■

3. Self-injective algebras with deforming ideals. In this section we present criteria for self-injective algebras to be orbit algebras of the repetitive categories of algebras with respect to infinite cyclic automorphism groups, playing a fundamental role in the proof of the main theorem.

Let A be a self-injective algebra. For a subset X of A , we may consider the left annihilator $l_A(X) = \{a \in A \mid ax = 0\}$ of X in A and the right annihilator $r_A(X) = \{a \in A \mid xa = 0\}$ of X in A . Then by a theorem due to Nakayama (see [30, Theorem IV.6.10]) the annihilator operation l_A induces a Galois correspondence from the lattice of right ideals of A to the lattice of left ideals of A , and r_A is the inverse Galois correspondence to l_A . Let I be an ideal of A , $B = A/I$, and e an idempotent of A such that $e + I$ is the identity of B . We may assume that $1_A = e_1 + \cdots + e_r$ with e_1, \dots, e_r pairwise orthogonal primitive idempotents of A , $e = e_1 + \cdots + e_n$ for some $n \leq r$, and $\{e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ is the set of all idempotents in $\{e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}$ which

are not in I . Then such an idempotent e is uniquely determined by I up to an inner automorphism of A , and is called a *residual identity* of $B = A/I$. Observe also that $B \cong eAe/eIe$.

We have the following lemma from [27, Lemma 5.1].

LEMMA 3.1. *Let A be a self-injective algebra, I an ideal of A , and e an idempotent of A such that $l_A(I) = Ie$ or $r_A(I) = eI$. Then e is a residual identity of A/I .*

We also recall the following proposition proved in [23, Proposition 2.3].

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Let A be a self-injective algebra, I an ideal of A , $B = A/I$, e a residual identity of B , and assume that $IeI = 0$. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) Ie is an injective cogenerator in $\text{mod } B$.
- (ii) eI is an injective cogenerator in $\text{mod } B^{\text{op}}$.
- (iii) $l_A(I) = Ie$.
- (iv) $r_A(I) = eI$.

Moreover, under these equivalent conditions, we have $\text{soc } A \subseteq I$ and $l_{eAe}(I) = eIe = r_{eAe}(I)$.

The following theorem proved in [25, Theorem 3.8] (sufficiency part) and [27, Theorem 5.3] (necessity part) will be fundamental for our considerations.

THEOREM 3.3. *Let A be a self-injective algebra. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) A is isomorphic to an orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}})$, where B is an algebra and φ is a positive automorphism of \widehat{B} .
- (ii) There is an ideal I of A and an idempotent e of A such that
 - (1) $r_A(I) = eI$;
 - (2) the canonical algebra epimorphism $eAe \rightarrow eAe/eIe$ is a retraction.

Moreover, in this case, B is isomorphic to A/I .

Let A be an algebra, I an ideal of A , and e a residual identity of A/I . Following [23], I is said to be a *deforming ideal* of A if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (D1) $l_{eAe}(I) = eIe = r_{eAe}(I)$;
- (D2) the valued quiver $Q_{A/I}$ of A/I is acyclic.

Assume I is a deforming ideal of A . Then we have a canonical isomorphism of algebras $eAe/eIe \rightarrow A/I$ and I can be considered as an (eAe/eIe) - (eAe/eIe) -bimodule. Denote by $A[I]$ the direct sum of K -vector spaces

$(eAe/eIe) \oplus I$ with the multiplication

$$(b, x) \cdot (c, y) = (bc, by + xc + xy)$$

for $b, c \in eAe/eIe$ and $x, y \in I$. Then $A[I]$ is a K -algebra with the identity $(e + eIe, 1_A - e)$, and, by identifying $x \in I$ with $(0, x) \in A[I]$, we may consider I as an ideal of $A[I]$. Observe that $e = (e + eIe, 0)$ is a residual identity of $A[I]/I = eAe/eIe \xrightarrow{\sim} A/I$, $eA[I]e = (eAe/eIe) \oplus eIe$ and the canonical algebra epimorphism $eA[I]e \rightarrow eA[I]e/eIe$ is a retraction.

The following properties of the algebra $A[I]$ were established in [23, Theorem 4.1] and [24, Theorem 3].

THEOREM 3.4. *Let A be a self-injective algebra and I a deforming ideal of A . The following statements hold.*

- (i) $A[I]$ is a self-injective algebra with the same Nakayama permutation as A and I is a deforming ideal of $A[I]$.
- (ii) A and $A[I]$ are socle equivalent.
- (iii) A and $A[I]$ are stably equivalent.

We note that if A is a self-injective algebra, I an ideal of A , $B = A/I$, e an idempotent of A such that $r_A(I) = eI$, and the valued quiver Q_B of B is acyclic, then by Lemma 3.1 and Proposition 3.2, I is a deforming ideal of A and e is a residual identity of B .

The following theorem proved in [25, Theorem 4.1] shows the importance of the algebras $A[I]$.

THEOREM 3.5. *Let A be a self-injective algebra, I an ideal of A , $B = A/I$ and e an idempotent of A . Assume that $r_A(I) = eI$ and Q_B is acyclic. Then $A[I]$ is isomorphic to the orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}})$ for some positive automorphism φ of \widehat{B} .*

We point out that there are self-injective algebras A with deforming ideals I such that the algebras A and $A[I]$ are not isomorphic (see [25, Example 4.2]).

The following result proved in [26, Proposition 3.2] describes a situation when the algebras A and $A[I]$ are isomorphic.

THEOREM 3.6. *Let A be a self-injective algebra with a deforming ideal I , $B = A/I$, e be a residual identity of B and ν the Nakayama permutation of A . Assume that $IeI = 0$ and $e_i \neq e_{\nu(i)}$, for any primitive summand e_i of e . Then the algebras A and $A[I]$ are isomorphic. In particular, A is isomorphic to the orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}})$ for some positive automorphism φ of \widehat{B} .*

4. Proof of Theorem 1.1. Let A be a non-simple, finite-dimensional, basic, indecomposable, self-injective K -algebra over a field K .

Assume $\text{mod } A$ admits a pure sectional module M which is not the middle of a short chain. We will show first that A is socle equivalent to the self-injective orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}})$, where B is a tilted algebra of the form $B = \text{End}_H(T)$ for a hereditary algebra H of Dynkin type and a tilting module T in $\text{mod } H$ without indecomposable projective direct summands, and φ is a positive automorphism of \widehat{B} . Let Δ be the full-valued subquiver of the stable Auslander–Reiten quiver Γ_A^s of given by the indecomposable direct summands of M . We recall that then $\Gamma_A^s \cong \mathbb{Z}\Delta/G$ for an infinite cyclic group G of automorphisms of the translation quiver $\mathbb{Z}\Delta$, and Δ is a Dynkin quiver whose underlying graph is the Dynkin type $\Delta(A)$ of A . Let $I = r_A(M)$ and $B = A/I$. Then M is a faithful, hence sincere, right B -module which is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } B$, because M is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$ (see [15, Proposition 2.3]). So B is a tilted algebra, by the main result of [12]. Further, $H = \text{End}_A(M) = \text{End}_B(M)$ is the hereditary algebra, by [13, Corollary 1.2]. Clearly, H is then a hereditary algebra of Dynkin type with $Q_H = \Delta^{\text{op}}$. Observe also that M is a faithful B -module with $\text{Hom}_B(M, \tau_B M) = 0$, and hence $\text{pd}_B(M) \leq 1$ and $\text{Ext}_B^1(M, M) \cong D\overline{\text{Hom}}_B(M, \tau_B(M)) = 0$ (see [1, Lemma VIII.5.1 and Theorem IV.2.13]). Therefore, M is a partial tilting B -module. Since the rank of $K_0(B)$ coincides with the number of indecomposable direct summands of M , we conclude that M is a tilting B -module. Hence, by the Brenner–Butler theorem [1, Theorem VI.3.8], M is a tilting module in $\text{mod } H^{\text{op}}$, $T = D(M)$ is a tilting module in $\text{mod } H$, $B \cong \text{End}_H(T)$, and M is isomorphic to the right B -module $\text{Hom}_H(T, D(H))$. In particular, we conclude that the indecomposable direct summands of M form the canonical section $\Delta_T = \Delta$ of the connecting component $\mathcal{C}_T = \Gamma_B$. Moreover, since M is a pure sectional module in $\text{mod } A$, we find that no indecomposable injective B -module is a direct summand of M , or equivalently, the indecomposable direct summands of $\tau_B^{-1}M$ form another section $\tau_B^{-1}\Delta_T$ of $\mathcal{C}_T = \Gamma_B$. Finally, we note that T is a splitting tilting module in $\text{mod } H$, since H is a hereditary algebra [1, Corollary VI.5.7]. Then, invoking the description of the indecomposable injective modules in $\text{mod } B$, given in [1, Proposition VI.5.8], and $M \cong \text{Hom}_H(T, D(H))$, we conclude that T has no indecomposable projective direct summand.

Let e_1, \dots, e_r be a set of pairwise orthogonal, primitive idempotents of A such that $1_A = e_1 + \dots + e_r$ and that $e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$, for some $n \leq r$, is a residual identity of B . We claim that I is a deforming ideal of A satisfying $IeI = 0$. Observe that the valued quiver Q_B of $B = A/I$ is acyclic, because B is a tilted algebra. Therefore, by Proposition 3.2, it remains to show that $r_A(I) = eI$.

Denote by J the trace ideal of M in A , that is, the ideal of A generated by the images of all homomorphisms from M to A in $\text{mod } A$, and by J'

the trace ideal of the left A -module $D(M)$ in A . Observe that I is the left annihilator of $D(M)$ in A .

LEMMA 4.1. *We have $J \cup J' \subseteq I$.*

Proof. First we show that $J \subseteq I$. By definition, there exists an epimorphism $\varphi: M^r \rightarrow J$ for some integer $r \geq 1$. Suppose that there exists a homomorphism $f: A \rightarrow M$ in $\text{mod } A$ with $f(J) \neq 0$. Since M has no projective-injective indecomposable direct summands, the homomorphism f factors through $A/\text{soc } A$. Hence we have in $\text{mod } A$ a sequence of homomorphisms

$$M^r \xrightarrow{\varphi} J \xrightarrow{\omega} A \xrightarrow{\pi} A/\text{soc } A \xrightarrow{g} M$$

with $g\pi\omega\varphi \neq 0$, where $\omega: J \rightarrow A$ is the canonical inclusion homomorphism, $\pi: A \rightarrow A/\text{soc } A$ is the canonical epimorphism, and $f = g\pi$. Observe that $g\pi\omega\varphi$ factors through a module from $\text{add}(\tau_A^{-1}M)$, and consequently $\text{Hom}_A(\tau_A^{-1}M, M) \neq 0$. This is a contradiction because M is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$. Hence we conclude

$$J \subseteq \bigcap_{f: A_A \rightarrow M} \text{Ker } f = I.$$

Suppose now that there is a homomorphism $f': A \rightarrow D(M)$ in $\text{mod } A^{\text{op}}$ such that $f'(J') \neq 0$. Then f' factors through $A/\text{soc } A$, because $D(M)$ has no projective-injective indecomposable direct summands. Moreover, we have in $\text{mod } A^{\text{op}}$ an epimorphism $\varphi': D(M)^s \rightarrow J'$ for some integer $s \geq 1$. Hence we obtain in $\text{mod } A^{\text{op}}$ a sequence of homomorphisms

$$D(M)^s \xrightarrow{\varphi'} J' \xrightarrow{\omega'} A \xrightarrow{\pi} A/\text{soc } A \xrightarrow{g'} D(M)$$

with $g'\pi\omega'\varphi' \neq 0$, where $\omega': J' \rightarrow A$ is the canonical inclusion homomorphism and $f' = g'\pi$. Observe also that $g'\pi\omega'\varphi'$ factors through a module from $\text{add}(\tau_{A^{\text{op}}}^{-1}D(M))$, and consequently $\text{Hom}_{A^{\text{op}}}(\tau_{A^{\text{op}}}^{-1}D(M), D(M)) \neq 0$. Since $\tau_{A^{\text{op}}}^{-1}D(M) = \text{Tr}M = D(\tau_A M)$, we conclude that $\text{Hom}_A(M, \tau_A M) \neq 0$. This is again a contradiction, because M is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } A$. Therefore we obtain

$$J' \subseteq \bigcap_{f': A_A \rightarrow D(M)} \text{Ker } f' = I. \blacksquare$$

LEMMA 4.2. *We have $l_A(I) = J$, $r_A(I) = J'$ and $I = r_A(J) = l_A(J')$.*

Proof. We prove the lemma only for J , the proof for J' being dual. Since J is a right B -module, we have $JI = 0$, and hence $I \subseteq r_A(J)$. In order to show the converse inclusion, take a monomorphism $u: M \rightarrow A_A^t$ for some integer $t \geq 1$, and let $u_i: M \rightarrow A$ be the composite of u with the projection of A_A^t on the i th component. Then there is a monomorphism $v: M \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^t \text{Im } u_i$ induced by u . Moreover, by definition of J , $\bigoplus_{i=1}^t \text{Im } u_i$ is contained in $\bigoplus_{i=1}^t J$.

This leads to the inclusions

$$r_A(J) = r_A\left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^t J\right) \subseteq r_A(M) = I.$$

Hence $I = r_A(J)$. Finally, applying a theorem by Nakayama (see [30, Theorem IV.6.10]), we obtain $J = l_A r_A(J) = l_A(I)$. ■

LEMMA 4.3. *We have $eIe = eJe = eJ'e$. In particular, $(eIe)^2 = 0$.*

Proof. Since e is a residual identity of $B = A/I$, we have $B \cong eAe/eIe$. Thus M is a faithful right eAe/eIe -module and the direct sum of indecomposable modules forming a section of $\Gamma_{eAe/eIe}$. Further, it follows from Lemma 4.1 that $eJe = eJ$ is an ideal of eAe with $eJe \subseteq eIe$. Consider the algebra $B' = eAe/eJe$. Then M is a sincere right B' -module which is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } B'$, because B' is a factor algebra of B and M is not the middle of a short chain in $\text{mod } B$ [15, Proposition 2.3]. Applying [15, Corollary 3.2] we conclude that M is a faithful B' -module. This implies that $eIe/eJe = r_{B'}(M) = 0$, and hence $eIe = eJe$. In a similar way we show that $eIe = eJ'e$. Finally, it follows from Lemma 4.2 that $(eIe)^2 = (eJe)(eIe) = eJJe = 0$. ■

We shall also use the following general lemma on almost split sequences over triangular matrix algebras (see [19, (2.5)], [23, Lemma 5.6]).

LEMMA 4.4. *Let R and S be algebras and N be an (S, R) -bimodule. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} S & N \\ 0 & R \end{pmatrix}$ be the matrix algebra defined by the bimodule ${}_S N_R$. Then an almost split sequence $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ in $\text{mod } R$ is an almost split sequence in $\text{mod } A$ if and only if $\text{Hom}_R(N, X) = 0$.*

LEMMA 4.5. *Let f be a primitive idempotent in I such that $fJ \neq fAe$. Then $K = fAeAf + fJ + fAeAfAe + eAf + eIe$ is an ideal of $F = (e + f)A(e + f)$, and $N = fAe/fKe$ is a B -module such that $\text{Hom}_B(N, M) = 0$ and $\text{Hom}_B(M, N) \neq 0$.*

Proof. It follows from Lemma 4.3 that $fAeIe \subseteq fJ$. Then the fact that K is an ideal of F is a direct consequence of $f \in I$. Observe also that $fKe = fJ + fAeAfAe$, $fKf \subseteq \text{rad}(fAf)$, $eKe = eIe$ and $eKf = eAf$. We have $N \neq 0$. Indeed, if $fAe = fKe$ then, since $eAfAe \subseteq \text{rad}(eAe)$, we obtain $fAe = fJ + fAe(\text{rad}(eAe))$, and so $fAe = fJ$ (Nakayama lemma, [30, Lemma I.3.3]), which contradicts our assumption. Further, $B = eAe/eIe$ and $(fAe)(eIe) = fAeJ \subseteq fJ \subseteq fKe$, and hence N is a B -module. Moreover, N is also a left module over $S = fAf/fKf$ and $\Lambda = F/K$ is isomorphic to the triangular matrix algebra $\begin{pmatrix} S & N \\ 0 & R \end{pmatrix}$. Invoking now our assumption that M is a pure sectional module in $\text{mod } A$, we conclude that, for any indecomposable direct summand X of M , we have in $\text{mod } B$ an almost split sequence $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ which is also an almost split sequence in

mod A , and so an almost split sequence in mod A . Applying Lemma 4.4, we obtain $\text{Hom}_B(N, M) = 0$. On the other hand, since every indecomposable module in mod B is either generated or cogenerated by M , we conclude that $\text{Hom}_B(M, N) \neq 0$. ■

PROPOSITION 4.6. *We have $Ie = J$ and $eI = J'$.*

Proof. This follows exactly as [23, Proposition 5.9] by applying Lemmas 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.5. ■

The following direct consequence of Lemma 4.2 and Proposition 4.6 completes the proof that I is a deforming ideal of A with $IeI = 0$.

COROLLARY 4.7. *We have $r_A(I) = eI$ and $l_A(I) = Ie$.*

Applying Theorems 3.4 and 3.5 we conclude that:

- (1) A is socle equivalent to $A[I]$;
- (2) A is stably equivalent to $A[I]$;
- (3) $A[I]$ is isomorphic to a self-injective orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}})$ for some positive automorphism φ of \widehat{B} .

Since A and $A[I]$ are socle equivalent, the quotient algebras $A/\text{soc}A$ and $A[I]/\text{soc}A[I]$ are isomorphic, and consequently there is a canonical isomorphism $\Phi: \text{mod}(A/\text{soc}A) \rightarrow \text{mod}(A[I]/\text{soc}A[I])$ of their module categories. Observe also that the indecomposable modules in $\text{mod}(A/\text{soc}A)$ (respectively, $\text{mod}(A[I]/\text{soc}A[I])$) are precisely the indecomposable non-projective modules in mod A (respectively, mod $A[I]$). Further, for any non-projective indecomposable modules L, N in mod A and non-projective indecomposable modules U, V in mod $A[I]$ we have the equalities of homomorphism spaces $\text{Hom}_A(L, N) = \text{Hom}_{A/\text{soc}A}(L, N)$ and $\text{Hom}_{A[I]}(U, V) = \text{Hom}_{A[I]/\text{soc}A[I]}(U, V)$. We also note that the Auslander–Reiten quiver $\Gamma_{A/\text{soc}A}$ of $A/\text{soc}A$ (respectively, $\Gamma_{A[I]/\text{soc}A[I]}$ of $A[I]/\text{soc}A[I]$) is obtained from Γ_A (respectively, $\Gamma_{A[I]}$) by removing all indecomposable projective modules P , making their radicals $\text{rad}P$ injective modules and the socle factors $P/\text{soc}P$ projective modules, and keeping the indecomposable non-projective modules as well their Auslander–Reiten translations unchanged. Finally, the functor Φ induces a canonical isomorphism of the stable Auslander–Reiten quivers $\Gamma_A^s \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma_{A[I]}^s$. Summing up, we conclude that the image $\Phi(M)$ of the pure sectional module in mod A is a pure sectional module M in mod $A[I]$ and is not the middle of a short chain. Applying Theorem 2.2, we conclude that $\varphi\nu_{\widehat{B}} = \rho\nu_{\widehat{B}}^2$ for some positive automorphism ρ of \widehat{B} . Since, by Theorem 3.4, the Nakayama permutations of A and $A[I]$ are the same, an isomorphism $A[I] \cong \widehat{B}/(\rho\nu_{\widehat{B}}^2)$ forces that $e_i \neq e_{\nu(i)}$ for any primitive direct summand e_i of the common residual identity e of $A/I \cong A[I]/I$. Applying now Theorem 3.6, we conclude that the algebras A and $A[I]$ are isomorphic. Therefore, A is isomorphic to the

orbit algebra $\widehat{B}/(\rho\nu_{\widehat{B}}^2)$. This proves the implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) of Theorem 1.1. The converse implication (ii) \Rightarrow (i) follows from Theorem 2.2.

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