

ON THE NUMBER OF  $\tau$ -TILTING MODULES OVER THE  
AUSLANDER ALGEBRAS OF RADICAL SQUARE ZERO  
NAKAYAMA ALGEBRAS

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**Abstract.** Let  $\Lambda_n$  be a radical square zero Nakayama algebra with  $n$  simple modules and  $\Gamma_n$  the Auslander algebra of  $\Lambda_n$ . We calculate the number  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  of  $\tau$ -tilting modules and the number  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over  $\Gamma_n$ . In particular, we prove the recurrence relations

$$\begin{aligned} |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| &= 3|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|, \\ |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| &= 6|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + 3|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|, \end{aligned}$$

from which the exact values of  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  and  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  are derived.

**1. Introduction.** The starting point of tilting theory was the introduction of tilting modules over a hereditary algebra by Happel and Ringel [10]. Ever since, the study of tilting modules has been an important branch in the representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras.

In 2014, Adachi, Iyama and Reiten [1] introduced  $\tau$ -tilting theory replacing the rigidity condition  $\text{Ext}_A^1(M, M) = 0$  for a tilting module by the weaker condition  $\text{Hom}_A(M, \tau M) = 0$  for a  $\tau$ -tilting module, where  $A$  is a finite-dimensional algebra and  $\tau$  is the Auslander–Reiten translation. The support  $\tau$ -tilting modules are in bijection with some important objects in representation theory including functorially finite torsion classes introduced in [5], 2-term silting complexes introduced in [13], cluster-tilting objects in the cluster category and left finite semibricks introduced in [3]. Therefore, it is important to calculate the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over a given algebra.

For hereditary algebras, the (support)  $\tau$ -tilting modules are exactly the (support) tilting modules. For algebras of Dynkin type, the numbers of these

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modules were first calculated via cluster algebras [7], and later via representation theory [14]. In particular, over a hereditary algebra of type  $A_n$ , the number of tilting modules is  $C_n$  and the number of support tilting modules is  $C_{n+1}$ , where  $C_i$  is the  $i$ th Catalan number  $\frac{1}{i+1}\binom{2i}{i}$ .

Recall from [4, V.3.2] that a finite-dimensional algebra is *Nakayama* if its quiver is one of the following:

$$A_n : 1 \longrightarrow 2 \longrightarrow 3 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow n, \quad \tilde{A}_n : 1 \overset{\curvearrowright}{\longleftarrow} 2 \longrightarrow 3 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow n.$$

Adachi [2] gave a recurrence relation for the number of  $\tau$ -tilting modules over Nakayama algebras of type  $A_n$ . Asai [3] also gave a recurrence relation for the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over Nakayama algebras  $KA_n/\text{rad}^r$  and  $K\tilde{A}_n/\text{rad}^r$ . More recently, Gao and Schiffler [9] extended the recurrence relation of Adachi to  $\tau$ -tilting modules over  $K\tilde{A}_n/\text{rad}^r$ .

It was showed in [6] that the number of tilting modules over the Auslander algebra of  $K[x]/(x^n)$  is  $n!$ . Kajita [12] calculated the number of tilting modules over the Auslander algebra of a hereditary algebra of Dynkin type. Iyama and Zhang [11] classified the support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over the Auslander algebra of  $K[x]/(x^n)$ , and they also showed that there is a bijection between the set of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over the Auslander algebra of  $K[x]/(x^n)$  and the symmetric group of degree  $n$ . More recently, Zhang [16] calculated the number of tilting modules over the Auslander algebra  $\Gamma_n$  of a radical square zero Nakayama algebra  $A_n$ . In particular, Zhang proved that the number of tilting modules over  $\Gamma_n$  is  $2^{n-1}$  if  $A_n$  is of type  $A_n$ ; and it is  $2^n$  if  $A_n$  is of type  $\tilde{A}_n$ .

In this paper, we calculate the number  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  of  $\tau$ -tilting modules and the number  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  of support  $\tau$ -tilting modules over the Auslander algebra  $\Gamma_n$  of a radical square zero Nakayama algebra  $A_n$ . Our result is as follows.

**THEOREM 1.1** (Theorems 3.1, 3.5, 4.2 and 4.3). *Let  $\Gamma_n$  be the Auslander algebra of a radical square zero Nakayama algebra  $A_n$ .*

(1) *If  $A_n$  is of type  $A_n$ , then*

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{13})^n - (3 - \sqrt{13})^n}{\sqrt{13} \cdot 2^n},$$

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = \frac{(3 + 2\sqrt{3})^n - (3 - 2\sqrt{3})^n}{2\sqrt{3}}.$$

(2) *If  $A_n$  is of type  $\tilde{A}_n$ , then*

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{13})^n + (3 - \sqrt{13})^n}{2^n},$$

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = (3 + 2\sqrt{3})^n + (3 - 2\sqrt{3})^n.$$

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we fix some notations and recall several results about  $\tau$ -tilting modules and Auslander algebras of radical square zero Nakayama algebras. In Section 3, we show that if  $\Lambda_n$  is of type  $A_n$ , then there are recurrence relations

$$\begin{aligned} |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| &= 3|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|, \\ |s\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| &= 6|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + 3|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|. \end{aligned}$$

In Section 4, we prove the same recurrence relations for  $\Lambda_n$  of type  $\tilde{A}_n$ . From these recurrence relations the exact values of  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  and  $|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  are derived. Finally, we list the values of  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  and  $|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 8$  in a table in Section 5.

**2. Preliminaries.** Throughout this paper, all algebras are basic, connected, finite-dimensional  $K$ -algebras over an algebraically closed field  $K$ . For an algebra  $\Lambda$ , we denote by  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  the category of finitely generated right  $\Lambda$ -modules and by  $\tau$  the Auslander–Reiten translation of  $\Lambda$ . We use  $P_i$ ,  $I_i$  and  $S_i$  to denote the indecomposable projective, injective and simple modules of an algebra corresponding to the vertex  $i$  respectively. For any  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we write  $[i, j] = \{i, i+1, \dots, j\}$  if  $i \leq j$ ; otherwise,  $[i, j] = \emptyset$ . Let  $e_i$  be the primitive idempotent element of an algebra corresponding to the vertex  $i$ . We write  $e_{[i,j]} := e_i + e_{i+1} + \dots + e_j$ .

For a module  $M \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , we write  $|M|$  for the number of pairwise non-isomorphic indecomposable summands of  $M$ , and use  $l(M)$  and  $\text{pd}_\Lambda M$  to denote the Loewy length and projective dimension of  $M$  respectively. For a finite set  $X$ , we let  $|X|$  denote the cardinality of  $X$ . For two sets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ,  $X_1 \amalg X_2$  stands for their disjoint union.

**DEFINITION 2.1** ([1, Definition 0.1]). Let  $\Lambda$  be an algebra and  $M \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ . Then  $M$  is called

- $\tau$ -rigid if  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(M, \tau M) = 0$ ;
- $\tau$ -tilting if it is  $\tau$ -rigid and  $|M| = |\Lambda|$ ;
- support  $\tau$ -tilting if it is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda/e\Lambda$ -module for some idempotent  $e$  of  $\Lambda$ ;
- proper support  $\tau$ -tilting if it is support  $\tau$ -tilting but not  $\tau$ -tilting.

Recall that  $M \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  is called *sincere* if every simple  $\Lambda$ -module appears as a composition factor in  $M$ . It is well-known that the  $\tau$ -tilting modules are exactly the sincere support  $\tau$ -tilting modules [1, Proposition 2.2(a)].

We denote by  $\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  (respectively,  $s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ ,  $ps\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ ) the set of isomorphism classes of basic  $\tau$ -tilting (respectively, support  $\tau$ -tilting, proper support  $\tau$ -tilting)  $\Lambda$ -modules.

Set

$$\text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt}_{\text{np}} \Lambda := \{M \in \text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda \mid M \text{ has no projective direct summands}\}.$$

**THEOREM 2.2** ([2, Theorem 2.6]). *Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra. Then there is a bijection between  $\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  and  $\text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt}_{\text{np}} \Lambda$ .*

The following result is useful.

**PROPOSITION 2.3** ([2, Proposition 2.32]). *Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra of type  $A_n$ . Then each  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -module has  $P_1$  as a direct summand.*

As a consequence, we get

**LEMMA 2.4.** *Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra of type  $A_n$ . Then each support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -module which has  $S_1, \dots, S_{l(P_1)}$  as composition factors has  $P_1$  as a direct summand.*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be a support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -module which has  $S_1, \dots, S_{l(P_1)}$  as composition factors. If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -tilting, then it has  $P_1$  as a direct summand by Proposition 2.3. Now, assume that  $M$  has  $S_1, \dots, S_{l(P_1)}, \dots, S_j$  as composition factors but not  $S_{j+1}$ . Let  $N$  be the maximal direct summand of  $M$  which only has  $S_1, \dots, S_{l(P_1)}, \dots, S_j$  as composition factors. Then  $N$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda/\langle e_{[j+1, n]} \rangle$ -module. By Proposition 2.3,  $N$  has  $P_1$  as a direct summand. ■

**THEOREM 2.5** ([2, Theorem 2.33 and Corollary 2.34]). *Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra of type  $A_n$ . Then there are mutually inverse bijections*

$$\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda \leftrightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{l(P_1)} \tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_i \rangle)$$

given by  $\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda \ni M \mapsto M/P_1$  and  $N \mapsto N \oplus P_1 \in \tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$ . In particular,

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| = \sum_{i=1}^{l(P_1)} C_{i-1} \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[1, i]} \rangle)|.$$

**REMARK 2.6.** Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra of type  $A_n$ . Then every  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda$ -module can be decomposed  $M$  as  $M = P_1 \oplus N_1 \oplus N_2$  where  $N_1$  is a maximal direct summand of  $M$  without  $S_1$  as composition factors. Moreover,  $N_1 \oplus N_2$  is a  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Lambda/\langle e_{j+1} \rangle$ -module where  $j := l(N_2)$  (see [2, proof of Theorem 2.33]).

An algebra  $\Lambda$  is of *finite representation type* if there are only finitely many indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -modules  $X_1, \dots, X_m$  up to isomorphism. In this case, the endomorphism algebra  $\text{End}_{\Lambda}(\bigoplus_{i=1}^m X_i)$  is called the *Auslander algebra* of  $\Lambda$ .

By a straightforward calculation, we get the quiver of the Auslander algebra of radical square zero Nakayama algebras:

PROPOSITION 2.7.

- (1) The Auslander algebra  $\Gamma_n$  of  $\Lambda_n := KA_n/\text{rad}^2$  is given by the quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{a_2} 3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \dots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ .

- (2) The Auslander algebra  $\Gamma'_n$  of  $\Lambda_n := K\tilde{A}_n/\text{rad}^2$  is given by the quiver

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & a_{2n} & & \\ & & & & \curvearrowright & & \\ 1 & \xleftarrow{a_1} & 2 & \xrightarrow{a_2} & 3 & \xrightarrow{a_3} & \dots \longrightarrow 2n-1 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-1}} 2n \end{array}$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .

**3. The case for  $\Gamma_n$ .** In this section, we will give formulas for  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  and  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$ .

Let  $\Delta_n$  be the algebra given by the quiver

$$0 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{a_2} 3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \dots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ .

The following result gives a formula for  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$ .

THEOREM 3.1. *We have*

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = 3|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|$$

with  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_1| = 1$  and  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_2| = 3$ . Hence

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{13})^n - (3 - \sqrt{13})^n}{\sqrt{13} \cdot 2^n}.$$

*Proof.* Applying Theorem 2.5 to  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Delta_n$ , we have

- (1)  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = C_0 \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 \rangle)| + C_1 \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 + e_2 \rangle)|$   
 $= |\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|$

and

- (2)  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_n| = C_0 \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 \rangle)| + C_1 \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 + e_1 \rangle)|$   
 $+ C_2 \cdot |\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 + e_1 + e_2 \rangle)|$   
 $= |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + 2|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|.$

The formula (1) implies

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| = |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| - |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|.$$

Applying it to (2), we have

- (3)  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = 3|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|$

This is a linear homogeneous recurrence relation of degree 2 and its characteristic equation is  $x^2 - 3x - 1 = 0$ . The proof is finished. ■

Let  $\Lambda$  be an algebra. Recall that a module  $M \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  is called *tilting* if

- $\text{pd}_\Lambda M \leq 1$ ;
- $\text{Ext}_\Lambda^1(M, M) = 0$ ;
- $|M| = |\Lambda|$ .

Thus a module  $M \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  is tilting if and only if it is  $\tau$ -tilting and  $\text{pd}_\Lambda M \leq 1$ , by the Auslander–Reiten formula.

The set of all tilting  $\Lambda$ -modules is denoted by  $\text{tilt } \Lambda$ . The following result is part of [16, Theorem 2.8]. Here we give another proof.

PROPOSITION 3.2.  $|\text{tilt } \Gamma_n| = 2^{n-1}$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $P_1$  is the unique  $\Gamma_n$ -module which has  $S_1$  as a composition factor and its projective dimension is at most 1. By Remark 2.6 and the above argument,  $P_1 \oplus N_1$  is a tilting  $\Gamma_n$ -module if and only if  $N_1$  is a tilting  $\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 \rangle$ -module, since  $\text{pd}_{\Gamma_n} N_1 = \text{pd}_{\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 \rangle} N_1$ . Thus

$$|\text{tilt } \Gamma_n| = |\text{tilt}(\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 \rangle)| = |\text{tilt } \Delta_{n-1}|.$$

Note that  $P_0$  and  $S_0$  are the only two  $\Delta_n$ -modules which have  $S_0$  as a composition factor and their projective dimension is at most 1. Similarly, we get

$$|\text{tilt } \Delta_n| = |\text{tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 \rangle)| + |\text{tilt}(\Delta/\langle e_0 + e_1 \rangle)| = |\text{tilt } \Gamma_n| + |\text{tilt } \Delta_{n-1}|.$$

Thus  $|\text{tilt } \Gamma_n| = 2|\text{tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|$  with  $|\text{tilt } \Gamma_1| = 1$ , and so  $|\text{tilt } \Gamma_n| = 2^{n-1}$ . ■

As generalizations of simple modules and semisimple modules, bricks and semibricks were introduced and studied in [8, 15]. Let  $\Lambda$  be an algebra. A  $\Lambda$ -module  $M$  is called a *brick* if  $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(M, M)$  is a  $K$ -division algebra, and a *semibrick* is a set consisting of isoclasses of pairwise Hom-orthogonal bricks. Recall from [3] that a semibrick  $\mathcal{S}$  is called *left finite* if the smallest torsion class  $T(\mathcal{S})$  containing  $\mathcal{S}$  is functorially finite. There exists a bijection between  $s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  and the set of left finite semibricks of  $\Lambda$  [3, Theorem 2.3]. Note that every torsion class is functorially finite for a representation-finite algebra. So, for a Nakayama algebra  $\Lambda$ , there exists a bijection between  $s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  and the set  $s\text{brick } \Lambda$  of semibricks of  $\Lambda$ , and hence  $|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| = |s\text{brick } \Lambda|$ . Asai gave a method to calculate the number of semibricks over  $K\Lambda_n/\text{rad}^r$ . In fact, we have the following more general result.

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let  $\Lambda$  be a Nakayama algebra of type  $A_n$ . Then*

- (1)  $|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| = 2|s\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)| + \sum_{i=2}^{l(I_n)} C_{i-1} |s\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1, n]} \rangle)|,$
- (2)  $|s\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| = 2|s\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_1 \rangle)| + \sum_{i=2}^{l(P_1)} C_{i-1} |s\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[1, i]} \rangle)|.$

*Proof.* (1) For a given brick  $X$  of  $\Lambda$  with  $\text{top } X = S_i$  and  $\text{soc } X = S_j$ , we will denote  $S_{i,j} := X$ .

We define  $W_0$  as the subset of sbrick  $\Lambda$  consisting of the semibricks without  $S_n$  as a composition factor. It is clear that  $|W_0| = |\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)|$ .

Let  $W_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, l(I_n)$ ) be the subset of sbrick  $\Lambda$  consisting of the semibricks which contain the brick  $S_{n-i+1,n}$ .

First, there is a bijection

$$W_1 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)$$

defined by  $\mathcal{S} \mapsto \mathcal{S} \setminus \{S_{n,n}\}$ . So  $|W_0| = |\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)|$ .

Secondly, for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, l(I_n)$ , there exists a bijection

$$W_1 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1,n]} \rangle) \times \text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle 1 - e_{[n-i+2,n-1]} \rangle)$$

defined by

$$\mathcal{S} \mapsto (\{S \in \mathcal{S} \mid \text{Supp } S \cap [n-i+1, n] = \emptyset\}, \\ \{S \in \mathcal{S} \mid \text{Supp } S \subset [n-i+2, n-1]\}),$$

where  $\text{Supp } S$  stands for the support of  $S$ . Note that  $\text{sbrick } \Lambda = \bigcup_{i=0}^{l(I_n)} W_i$ . Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| &= |\text{sbrick } \Lambda| = \sum_{i=0}^{l(I_n)} |W_i| \\ &= 2|\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=2}^{l(I_n)} |\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1,n]} \rangle)| \cdot |\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle 1 - e_{[n-i+2,n-1]} \rangle)| \\ &= 2|\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)| + \sum_{i=2}^{l(I_n)} |\text{sbrick}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1,n]} \rangle)| \cdot |\text{sbrick}(KA_{i-2})| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)| + \sum_{i=2}^{l(I_n)} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1,n]} \rangle)| \cdot |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(KA_{i-2})| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_n \rangle)| + \sum_{i=2}^{l(I_n)} C_{i-1} \cdot |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_{[n-i+1,n]} \rangle)|. \end{aligned}$$

(2) Note that there is a bijection between  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda$  and  $\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda^{\text{op}}$  [1, Theorem 2.14]). Now the assertion follows from (1). ■

We give the following example to illustrate Proposition 3.3.

EXAMPLE 3.4. Let  $\Lambda$  be the algebra given by the quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta} 3 \rightarrow 4$$

with the relation  $\alpha\beta = 0$ . By Proposition 3.3(1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_4 \rangle)| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_3 + e_4 \rangle)| \\ &\quad + 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_2 + e_3 + e_4 \rangle)| \\ &= 2 \times 12 + 5 + 2 \times 2 = 33. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by Proposition 3.2(2),

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Lambda| = 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_1 \rangle)| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Lambda/\langle e_1 + e_2 \rangle)| = 2 \times 14 + 5 = 33.$$

The following result gives a formula for  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$ .

**THEOREM 3.5.** *We have*

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = 6|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + 3|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|$$

with  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_1| = 2$  and  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_2| = 12$ . Hence

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = \frac{(3 + 2\sqrt{3})^n - (3 - 2\sqrt{3})^n}{2\sqrt{3}}.$$

*Proof.* Applying Proposition 3.3(2) to  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Delta_n$  respectively, we have

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 \rangle)| + C_1 \cdot |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Gamma_n/\langle e_1 + e_2 \rangle)| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_n| &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 \rangle)| + C_1 \cdot |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 + e_1 \rangle)| \\ &\quad + C_2 \cdot |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt}(\Delta_n/\langle e_0 + e_1 + e_2 \rangle)| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|. \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$(5) \quad |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n| = 6|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| + 3|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-2}|.$$

This is a linear homogeneous recurrence relation of degree 2 and its characteristic equation is  $x^2 - 6x - 3 = 0$ . The proof is finished. ■

Let  $\bar{\Gamma}_n$  be the algebra given by the quiver

$$1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{a_2} 3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \cdots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-1}} 2n$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ , and let  $\bar{\Delta}_n$  be the algebra given by the quiver

$$0 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{a_2} 3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \cdots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-1}} 2n$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ . By using the same argument as in Theorem 3.5, we can obtain

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \bar{\Delta}_n| = 6|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \bar{\Delta}_{n-1}| + 3|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \bar{\Delta}_{n-2}|.$$



**4. The case for  $\Gamma'_n$ .** In this section, we will give formulas for  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$  and  $|\text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$ .

Let  $X_n$  be the set of all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Gamma_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_1, \dots, P_{2n-3}$  as direct summands, and let  $Y_n$  be the set of all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Delta_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_{2n-3}$  as direct summands. Let  $X'_n$  be the set of all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\bar{\Gamma}_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_1, \dots, P_{2n-2}$  as direct summands, and let  $Y'_n$  be the set of all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\bar{\Delta}_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_{2n-2}$  as direct summands.

We need the following lemma.

LEMMA 4.1.

- (1)  $|X_n| = 3|X_{n-1}| + |X_{n-2}|$  and  $|Y_n| = 3|Y_{n-1}| + |Y_{n-2}|$ .
- (2)  $|X'_n| = 3|X'_{n-1}| + |X'_{n-2}|$  and  $|Y'_n| = 3|Y'_{n-1}| + |Y'_{n-2}|$ .

*Proof.* (1) By Lemma 2.4, all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Gamma_n$ -modules which have  $S_1, S_2$  as composition factors must have  $P_1$  as a direct summand. Hence  $X_n$  consists of two parts: the first part comes from all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Gamma_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_1, \dots, P_{2n-3}$  as direct summands and do not have  $S_1$  as a composition factor (their number is exactly  $|Y_{n-1}|$ ); the second part comes from all support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Gamma_n$ -modules which do not have  $P_1, \dots, P_{2n-3}$  as direct summands and have  $S_1$  as a composition factor but not  $S_2$  (their number is exactly  $|X_{n-1}|$ ). Hence,  $|X_n| = |Y_{n-1}| + |X_{n-1}|$ . Similarly, we have  $|Y_n| = |X_n| + |Y_{n-1}| + 2|X_{n-1}|$ . These two equalities imply  $|X_n| = 3|X_{n-1}| + |X_{n-2}|$  and  $|Y_n| = 3|Y_{n-1}| + |Y_{n-2}|$ .

(2) The proof is similar. ■

The following result gives a formula for  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$ .

THEOREM 4.2. *We have*

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| = 3|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_{n-1}| + |\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_{n-2}|$$

with  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_1| = 3$  and  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_2| = 11$ . Hence

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{13})^n + (3 - \sqrt{13})^n}{2^n}.$$

*Proof.* We claim that every proper support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\Gamma'_n$ -module  $M$  which has  $S_1, S_2$  as composition factors must have a projective  $\Gamma'_n$ -module as a direct summand. Indeed, if  $M$  does not have  $S_{2n}$  as a composition factor, then it has  $P_1$  as a direct summand by Lemma 2.4. Now, assume that  $M$  has  $S_i, S_{i+1}, \dots, S_{2n}, S_1, S_2$  as composition factors, but not  $S_{i-1}$ . Then  $M$  has  $P_i$  as a direct summand by Lemma 2.4.

Now,  $\text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt}_{\text{np}} \Gamma'_n$  consists of the following two parts:

- (i)  $U_1$ : the subset of modules which do not have  $S_2$  as a composition factor.

(ii)  $U_2$ : the subset of modules which have  $S_2$  as a composition factor, but not  $S_1$ .

Since  $\bar{\Lambda} := \Gamma'_n / \langle e_2 \rangle$  is the quiver

$$3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \dots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-1}} 2n \xrightarrow{a_{2n}} 1$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $2 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $U_1$  is exactly the set of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\bar{\Lambda}$ -modules which do not have  $P_3, P_4, \dots, P_{2n-1}$  as direct summands, and so  $|U_1| = |X_n|$ . Note that  $\bar{\Gamma} := \Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 \rangle$  is the quiver

$$2 \xrightarrow{a_2} 3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \dots \rightarrow 2n-2 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-2}} 2n-1 \xrightarrow{a_{2n-1}} 2n$$

with the relations  $a_{2k-1}a_{2k} = 0$  for  $2 \leq k \leq n-1$ . Thus, the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\bar{\Gamma}$ -modules which do not have  $P_2, P_4, \dots, P_{2n-2}$  as direct summands is exactly  $|Y'_{n-1}|$ . Moreover, the number of support  $\tau$ -tilting  $\bar{\Gamma}$ -modules which do not have  $P_2, P_4, \dots, P_{2n-2}$  as direct summands and do not have  $S_2$  as a composition factor is exactly  $|X'_{n-1}|$ . Therefore,  $|U_2| = |Y'_{n-1}| - |X'_{n-1}|$ . By Theorem 2.2, we obtain

$$|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| = |\text{ps}\tau\text{-tilt}_{\text{np}} \Gamma'_n| = |U_1| + |U_2| = |X_n| + |Y'_{n-1}| - |X'_{n-1}|.$$

Now, the recurrence relation for  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$  follows from Lemma 4.1. ■

The following result gives a formula for  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$ .

**THEOREM 4.3.** *We have*

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| = 6|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_{n-1}| + 3|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_{n-2}|$$

with  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_1| = 6$  and  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_2| = 42$ . Hence

$$|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| = (3 + 2\sqrt{3})^n + (3 - 2\sqrt{3})^n.$$

*Proof.* The set  $\text{sbrick } \Gamma'_n$  of semibricks of  $\Gamma'_n$  consists of five parts:

- (i)  $V_0$ : the semibricks without  $S_1$  as a composition factor.
- (ii)  $V_1$ : the semibricks which contain  $S_1$  but not the brick  $I_2$ .
- (iii)  $V_2$ : the semibricks which contain  $I_1$ .
- (iv)  $V_3$ : the semibricks which contain  $P_1$ .
- (v)  $V_4$ : the semibricks which contain  $I_2$ .

Obviously,  $|V_0| = |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 \rangle)| = |\text{sbrick } \bar{\Delta}_{n-1}|$ .

There is a bijection  $V_1 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 \rangle)$  defined by  $\mathcal{S} \mapsto \mathcal{S} \setminus \{S_1\}$ , so

$$|V_1| = |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 \rangle)| = |\text{sbrick } \bar{\Delta}_{n-1}|.$$

Similarly, there are bijections

$$V_2 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_{2n} \rangle) \quad \text{and} \quad V_3 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_2 \rangle),$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} |V_2| &= |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_{2n} \rangle)| = |\text{sbrick } \Delta_{n-1}|, \\ |V_3| &= |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_2 \rangle)| = |\text{sbrick } \Delta_{n-1}^{\text{op}}|. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can define a bijection

$$V_4 \mapsto \text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_2 + e_{2n} \rangle) \times \text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle 1 - e_1 \rangle)$$

by  $V_4 \ni \mathcal{S} \mapsto (\mathcal{S} \setminus \{S_1, I_2\}, S_1 \cap \mathcal{S})$ . Thus

$$|V_4| = |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle e_1 + e_2 + e_{2n} \rangle)| \cdot |\text{sbrick}(\Gamma'_n / \langle 1 - e_1 \rangle)| = 2|\text{sbrick} \Gamma_{n-1}|.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n| &= |\text{sbrick } \Gamma'_n| = \sum_{i=0}^4 |V_i| \\ &= 2|\text{sbrick } \overline{\Delta}_{n-1}| + |\text{sbrick } \Delta_{n-1}| + |\text{sbrick } \Delta_{n-1}^{\text{op}}| + 2|\text{sbrick } \Gamma_{n-1}| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \overline{\Delta}_{n-1}| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + |\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}^{\text{op}}| + 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}| \\ &= 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \overline{\Delta}_{n-1}| + 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}| + 2|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_{n-1}|$  is a linear combination of  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  and  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_{n-1}|$  by (4), so  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_n|$  has the same recurrence relation as  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$ . In particular,  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \overline{\Delta}_n|$ ,  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Delta_n|$ ,  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  have the same recurrence relations, and so  $|\text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$  also has the same recurrence relation. ■

**5. Examples.** In this section, we list the numbers of (support)  $\tau$ -tilting modules over  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Gamma'_n$  in the following table. The sequence  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n|$  is listed in the On-line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences (OEIS) as the sequence A006190 and  $|\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n|$  as A006497.

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$ \tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n $	1	3	10	33	109	360	1189	3927
$ \text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma_n $	2	12	78	504	3258	21060	136134	879984
$ \tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n $	3	11	36	119	393	1298	4287	114159
$ \text{s}\tau\text{-tilt } \Gamma'_n $	6	42	270	17464	11286	72954	471582	3048354

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