

THE GENERAL FOXBY EQUIVALENCE

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We first recall the general Foxby equivalence from [2, Section 1]. Let \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} be two categories. Assume that (F, G) is an adjoint pair between them, with $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ and $G: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$. Denote the unit by $\eta: \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow GF$ and the counit by $\varepsilon: FG \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{D}}$.

The corresponding *Auslander category* $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}(F, G)$ is defined to be the full subcategory of \mathcal{C} formed by those objects C with η_C an isomorphism. Analogously, the *Bass category* $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}(F, G)$ is the full subcategory of \mathcal{D} formed by those objects D with ε_D an isomorphism.

We have the following general fact.

Lemma 1. *The adjoint pair (F, G) induces an equivalence $F|_{\mathcal{A}}: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$, whose quasi-inverse is given by $G|_{\mathcal{B}}: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$.*

The obtained equivalence is known as the *general Foxby equivalence*. We observe that (F, G) is an adjoint equivalence if and only if $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{C}$ and $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{D}$.

In practice, it might be nontrivial to describe the subcategories \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} . In what follows, we describe these subcategories for the Hom-tensor adjoint pair between module categories over artin algebras.

Let A be an artin algebra over a commutative artinian ring. Denote by $A\text{-mod}$ the abelian category of finitely generated left A -modules. Let T be a finitely generated left A -module. Set $B = \text{End}_A(T)^{\text{op}}$ to be the opposite algebra of its endomorphism algebra. Then T becomes an A - B -bimodule.

We are interested in the following Hom-tensor adjoint pair.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A\text{-mod} & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{T \otimes_B -} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_A(T, -)} \end{array} & B\text{-mod} \end{array}$$

It is well known that such an adjoint pair induces an equivalence

$$\text{add}(T) \xrightarrow{\sim} B\text{-proj}.$$

Here, $\text{add}(T)$ denotes the full subcategory of $A\text{-mod}$ consisting of direct summands of finite direct sums of T , and $B\text{-proj}$ denotes the category of finitely generated projective B -modules. This restricted equivalence is known as the *projectivization*; see [1, II.2].

The corresponding Auslander category is given by

$$\mathcal{A}(T) = \{Y \in B\text{-mod} \mid \eta_Y: Y \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(T, T \otimes_B Y) \text{ is an isomorphism}\}.$$

Here, $\eta_Y(y): T \rightarrow T \otimes_B Y$ sends a to $a \otimes_B y$. The Bass category is given by

$$\mathcal{B}(T) = \{X \in A\text{-mod} \mid \varepsilon_X: T \otimes_B \text{Hom}_A(T, X) \rightarrow X \text{ is an isomorphism}\}.$$

Here, $\varepsilon_X(b \otimes_B f) = f(b)$. We observe that $B\text{-proj} \subseteq \mathcal{A}(T)$ and $\text{add}(T) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(T)$.

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Recall that $\text{fac}(T)$ denotes the full subcategory formed by factor modules of finite direct sums of T . For an A -module M , a T -presentation means an exact sequence of A -modules

$$\xi: T_1 \longrightarrow T_0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0$$

with $T_i \in \text{add}(T)$ such that $\text{Hom}_A(T, \xi)$ is still exact. Denote by $\text{fac}_1(T)$ the full subcategory formed by those modules admitting a T -presentation.

Example 2. Let A be the path algebra of the linear quiver

$$1 \longrightarrow 2$$

over a field. The unique indecomposable projective-injective module is $P_1 \simeq I_2$. Then we have $\text{fac}(P_1) = \text{add}(P_1 \oplus S_1)$ and $\text{fac}_1(P_1) = \text{add}(P_1)$.

Denote by D the Matlis duality. We observe that DT is naturally a B - A -bimodule. Recall that $\text{sub}(DT)$ denotes the full subcategory of $B\text{-mod}$ formed by submodules of finite direct sums of DT . For a B -module N , a DT -copresentation means an exact sequence of B -modules

$$\kappa: 0 \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow E^0 \longrightarrow E^1$$

with each $E^i \in \text{add}(DT)$ such that $\text{Hom}_B(\kappa, DT)$ is still exact, or equivalently, $T \otimes_B \kappa$ is exact. Denote by $\text{sub}^1(DT)$ the full subcategory of $\text{sub}(DT)$ consisting of those modules admitting a DT -copresentation.

Proposition 3. Keep the notation as above. Then we have

$$\mathcal{A}(T) = \text{sub}^1(DT) \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(T) = \text{fac}_1(T).$$

Consequently, we have an adjoint equivalence

$$\text{fac}_1(T) \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{T \otimes_B -} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_A(T, -)} \end{array} \text{sub}^1(DT).$$

Proof. The main idea is to use the projectivization to send projective presentations in $B\text{-mod}$ to T -presentations, and injective copresentations in $A\text{-mod}$ to DT -copresentations. We omit the details. \square

We apply the consideration above to the A -module $T = DA$. Then we may take $B = A$. The Nakayama functors are $\nu = DA \otimes_A -$ and $\nu^- = \text{Hom}_A(DA, -)$, which are endofunctors on $A\text{-mod}$. We identify $D(DA)$ with A . The subcategory $\text{sub}^1(A)$ coincides with $A\text{-refl}$, the category of reflexive modules. By duality, the subcategory $\text{fac}_1(DA)$ coincides with $A\text{-corefl}$, the category of coreflexive modules. Here, we recall that an A -module X is coreflexive if and only if its dual DX is reflexive.

Corollary 4. We have an adjoint equivalence

$$A\text{-corefl} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\nu} \\ \xrightarrow{\nu^-} \end{array} A\text{-refl}.$$

Remark 5. (1) The equivalence above restricts to an adjoint equivalence between $A\text{-inj}$ and $A\text{-proj}$.

(2) By duality, the equivalence above follows from the following more well-known duality between reflexive modules.

$$A\text{-refl} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\text{Hom}_{A^{\text{op}}}(-, A)} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_A(-, A)} \end{array} A^{\text{op}}\text{-refl}$$

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