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Some New Variations of Auslander's Formula and Applications

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Let C be an abelian category. A contravariant functor F from C to the category of abelian groups Ab is called finitely presented, or coherent [A], if there exists an exact sequence

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-,X) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-,Y) \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow 0$

of functors. Let $\operatorname{mod} \mathcal{C}$ denote the category of all coherent functors. The systematic study of $\operatorname{mod} \mathcal{C}$ is initiated by Auslander [A]. He, not only showed that $\operatorname{mod} \mathcal{C}$ is an abelian category of global dimension less than or equal to two but also provided a nice connection between $\operatorname{mod} \mathcal{C}$ and \mathcal{C} . This connection, which is known as Auslander's formula [L, K], suggests that one way of studying \mathcal{C} is to study $\operatorname{mod} \mathcal{C}$, that has nicer homological properties than \mathcal{C} , and then translate the results back to \mathcal{C} . In particular if we let \mathcal{C} to be $\operatorname{mod} \Lambda$, where Λ is an artin algebra, Auslander's formula translates to the equivalence

 $\frac{\operatorname{mod}(\operatorname{mod}\Lambda)}{\{F\mid F(\Lambda)=0\}}\simeq\operatorname{mod}\Lambda$

of abelian categories. As it is mentioned in [L], 'a considerable part of Auslander's work on the representation theory of finite dimensional, or more general artin, algebras can be connected to this formula'.

Recently, Krause [K] established a derived version of this equivalence. In my talk, some different (relative and derived) versions of this formula will be explained. Then I will give some applications of our results for artin algebras.

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