# A generalized Yoneda algebra of an algebra associated with a cyclic quiver

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**Abstract.** Let  $A = K\Gamma/(X^k)$ , where  $K\Gamma$  is the path algebra of a cyclic quiver  $\Gamma$  over a field K, X is the sum of all arrows of  $\Gamma$  and k is a positive integer. In this paper, we describe the ring structure of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  of A with multiplication given by the Yoneda product, where J denotes the Jacobson radical of A and l is a positive integer with  $l \leq k$ .

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#### §1. Introduction

Let  $K\Gamma$  be the path algebra over a field K of the cyclic quiver  $\Gamma$  with s vertices  $e_1, \ldots, e_s$  and s arrows  $a_1, \ldots, a_s$ , where s is a positive integer. We set  $X = a_1 + \cdots + a_s$ ,  $A = K\Gamma/(X^k)$  with a positive integer k and J the Jacobson radical of A, that is, the ideal of A generated by X. Let l be a positive integer with  $l \leq k$ . Then we call the algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{Ext}^i_A(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  with multiplication given by the Yoneda product the generalized Yoneda algebra of A, because the algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J)$  is the usual Yoneda algebra of A.

A. I. Generalov [4] has determined the ring structure of the usual Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J)$  of A by using the diagrammatic method which is presented by D. J. Benson and J. F. Carlson in [1] (cf. Remark in Section 3.1). Our purpose of this paper is to describe the ring structure of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$  of A by basic calculations. By the way, a basic self-injective Nakayama algebra over K is of the form  $A = K\Gamma/(X^k)$  with  $k \ge 2$  and K. Erdmann and T. Holm [2] determined the ring structure of the Hochschild cohomology ring  $\mathrm{HH}^*(A) = \bigoplus_{i\ge 0} \mathrm{Ext}^{i}_{A^e}(A, A)$  of A. Here,  $A^e$  denotes the enveloping algebra  $A \otimes_K A^\circ$  of A, where  $A^\circ$  is the opposite ring of A. This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we construct an A-projective resolution of  $A/J^l$  (Proposition 2.1) and calculate the group  $\operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  for  $i \geq 0$  (Propositions 2.2 and 2.4). In Section 3, we calculate the Yoneda product in  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$  (Propositions 3.1 and 3.5) and describe the ring structure of  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$  (Theorems 3.4 and 3.8) by referring to [3].

### §2. Calculation of the group $\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l})$

Let s be a positive integer,  $\Gamma$  the cyclic quiver with s vertices  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_s$  and s arrows  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_s$  such that each  $a_i$  starts at  $e_i$  and ends at  $e_{i+1}$ , where we regard the subscripts i of  $e_i$  modulo s. Let K be a field and  $K\Gamma$  the path algebra of  $\Gamma$  over K. In  $K\Gamma$ ,  $a_i = e_{i+1}a_ie_i$  holds for each  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . Let X be the sum of all arrows:  $X = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_s$ . Note that X is a non-zero divisor in  $K\Gamma$ .

We fix a positive integer k, and we denote  $K\Gamma/(X^k)$  by A. Then A is a finite dimensional algebra, since  $A = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{k-1} \bigoplus_{q=1}^{s} KX^p e_q$  and  $\dim_K A = ks$ . Let  $J = AX = XA = (X)/(X^k)$ , then J is the radical of A because J is a nilpotent ideal and  $A/J \simeq K\Gamma/(X) \simeq \prod_{i=1}^{s} Ke_i$  is semi-simple.

Let l be a fixed positive integer with  $l \leq k$ . In this section, we calculate the group  $\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l})$  for  $i \geq 0$  in order to consider the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^{l}) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l})$  of A. First, we give an A-projective resolution of  $A/J^{l}$  for the calculation.

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $A = K\Gamma/(X^k)$ , J = XA the radical of A, l a positive integer with  $l \leq k$ . Then there exists the following periodic right A-projective resolution of  $A/J^l$ :

$$(2.1) \quad \dots \quad \xrightarrow{\kappa} A \xrightarrow{d} A \xrightarrow{\kappa} A \xrightarrow{k} A \xrightarrow{d} A \xrightarrow{\pi} A/J^l \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\pi : A \to A/J^l$  is the natural right A-epimorphism,  $d : A \to A$  and  $\kappa : A \to A$  are the right A-homomorphisms defined by

$$d(x) = X^{l}x, \qquad \kappa(x) = X^{k-l}x$$

for all  $x \in A$ .

*Proof.* Since Ker  $\pi = J^l = X^l A = \text{Im } d$ ,  $d\kappa = 0$  and  $\kappa d = 0$ , it suffices to show that Ker  $d \subseteq \text{Im } \kappa$  and Ker  $\kappa \subseteq \text{Im } d$ .

Let  $a \in \text{Ker } d$ , where  $a = u + (X^k)$  for some  $u \in K\Gamma$ . Then we have  $0 = d(a) = X^l u + (X^k)$  in A, hence there exists an element  $v \in K\Gamma$  such that  $X^l u = X^k v$  in  $K\Gamma$ . Since X is a non-zero divisor in  $K\Gamma$ , we have  $u = X^{k-l}v$ . Hence  $a = X^{k-l}v + (X^k) = \kappa(v + (X^k)) \in \text{Im } \kappa$ , so we have Ker  $d \subseteq \text{Im } \kappa$ . Similarly, we also have Ker  $\kappa \subseteq \text{Im } d$ . In the rest of this section, we calculate the group  $\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l})$ . We denote the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_{A}(-, A/J^{l})$  by  $(-)^{*}$ . By applying the functor to the projective resolution (2.1) of  $A/J^{l}$ , we have the following commutative diagram of left  $A/J^{l}$ -modules:

where we set

$$\mu: A^* = \operatorname{Hom}_A(A, A/J^l) \xrightarrow{\sim} A/J^l; \quad \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_A),$$

 $d^{\#} = \mu d^* \mu^{-1}$  and  $\kappa^{\#} = \mu \kappa^* \mu^{-1}$ . Note that the inverse  $\mu^{-1}$  of  $\mu$  is given by  $\mu^{-1}(a+J^l)(x) = ax + J^l$  for all  $x \in A$  and  $a+J^l \in A/J^l$ . Since the left  $A/J^l$ -module  $A/J^l$  is generated by  $1_A + J^l$ , the left  $A/J^l$ -module  $\operatorname{Hom}_A(A, A/J^l)$  is generated by  $\mu^{-1}(1_A + J^l) = \pi$ , that is,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_A(A, A/J^l) = (A/J^l)\pi.$$

By the left module action of  $A/J^l$  on  $\operatorname{Hom}_A(A, A/J^l)$ , for  $a + J^l \in A/J^l$ , we have

$$((a+J^{l})\pi)(x) = (a+J^{l})\pi(x) = (a+J^{l})(x+J^{l}) = ax+J^{l}$$

for all  $x \in A$ . Moreover, for the left  $A/J^l$ -homomorphisms  $d^*$  and  $\kappa^*$ , we have

$$d^* = 0, \qquad \kappa^*(\pi) = (X^{k-l} + J^l)\pi,$$

since  $d^*(\pi)(x) = (\pi d)(x) = X^l x + J^l = 0$  and  $\kappa^*(\pi)(x) = (\pi \kappa)(x) = X^{k-l}x + J^l$  for all  $x \in A$ . Hence the left  $A/J^l$ -homomorphisms  $d^{\#}$  and  $\kappa^{\#}$  satisfy that  $d^{\#} = 0$  and

(2.3) 
$$\kappa^{\#}(1_A + J^l) = (\mu \kappa^*)(\pi) = \mu((X^{k-l} + J^l)\pi) = X^{k-l} + J^l.$$

If  $k \geq 2l$  then  $\kappa^* = 0$ , and hence we easily obtain the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.2.** In the case  $k \ge 2l$ , we have the following isomorphisms of left  $A/J^l$ -modules:

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l}) = A^{*} \xrightarrow{\sim} A/J^{l}; \quad \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_{A}),$$

for  $i \geq 0$ , where  $A^* = \text{Hom}_A(A, A/J^l) = (A/J^l)\pi$  with the natural right Aepimorphism  $\pi : A \to A/J^l$ . Next we consider the case k < 2l. We prepare the following lemma in order to compute the group  $\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l})$  for  $i \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** In the case k < 2l, we have the following equations:

Im  $\kappa^{\#} = J^{k-l}/J^l$ , Ker  $\kappa^{\#} = J^{2l-k}/J^l$ ,

where  $\kappa^{\#}$  is the left  $A/J^l$ -homomorphism as above and  $J^0$  denotes A.

*Proof.* By the equation (2.3), we have Im  $\kappa^{\#} = (AX^{k-l} + J^l)/J^l = J^{k-l}/J^l$ and  $\kappa^{\#}(J^{2l-k}/J^l) = (J^{2l-k}X^{k-l})/J^l = 0$ . Hence it suffices to show that Ker  $\kappa^{\#} \subset J^{2l-k}/J^l$ .

Let  $a + J^l \in \text{Ker } \kappa^{\#}$ , where  $a = u + (X^k)$  for some  $u \in K\Gamma$ . Then we have  $0 = \kappa^{\#}(a + J^l) = aX^{k-l} + J^l$ , hence there exists an element  $v \in K\Gamma$  such that  $aX^{k-l} = (v + (X^k))X^l$ . It follows that  $uX^{k-l} + (X^k) = vX^l + (X^k)$ , so there exists an element  $w \in K\Gamma$  such that  $uX^{k-l} - vX^l = wX^k$ . Since X is a non-zero divisor in  $K\Gamma$ , we have  $u = vX^{2l-k} + wX^l = (v + wX^{k-l})X^{2l-k}$ . Let  $a' = v + wX^{k-l} + (X^k) \in A$ , then  $a = a'X^{2l-k} \in J^{2l-k}$  holds. Therefore we have  $a + J^l \in J^{2l-k}/J^l$ .

So we have the following theorem by Lemma 2.3 and the commutative diagram (2.2).

**Proposition 2.4.** In the case k < 2l, we have the following isomorphisms of left  $A/J^l$ -modules:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l}) \\ &= \begin{cases} A^{*} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & A/J^{l}; & \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_{A}) & \text{if } i = 0, \\ \operatorname{Ker} \kappa^{*} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & J^{2l-k}/J^{l}; & \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_{A}) & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \\ A^{*}/\operatorname{Im} \kappa^{*} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & A/J^{k-l}; & [\phi] \longmapsto a + J^{k-l} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where  $[\phi]$  is the element represented by  $\phi \in A^*$  and  $\phi(1_A) = a + J^l$  for some  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* For the proof, we use the commutative diagram (2.2) of left  $A/J^{l}$ -modules and Lemma 2.3.

If i = 0, then the left  $A/J^l$ -isomorphism

$$\mu: \operatorname{Ext}_A^0(A/J^l, A/J^l) = A^* \xrightarrow{\sim} A/J^l; \quad \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_A),$$

is the desired isomorphism.

If *i* is odd, then the left  $A/J^l$ -isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l,A/J^l) = \operatorname{Ker}\, \kappa^* \overset{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{Ker}\, \kappa^\# = J^{2l-k}/J^l; \quad \phi \longmapsto \phi(1_A),$$

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which is induced by  $\mu$  is the desired isomorphism.

If *i* is even, then the left  $A/J^l$ -isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l}) = A^{*}/\operatorname{Im} \kappa^{*} \simeq (A/J^{l})/\operatorname{Im} \kappa^{\#}$$

is induced by  $\mu.$  Since Im  $\kappa^{\#}=J^{k-l}/J^l,$  the composition of left  $A/J^l$  isomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A^*/\mathrm{Im} \ \kappa^* & \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & (A/J^l)/(J^{k-l}/J^l) & \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & A/J^{k-l};\\ [\phi] & \longmapsto & \phi(1_A) + J^{k-l}/J^l & \longmapsto & a + J^{k-l}, \end{array}$$

where  $\phi(1_A) = a + J^l$  for some  $a \in A$  is the desired isomorphism.

## §3. Calculation of the Yoneda product

In this section, we calculate the Yoneda product in the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  of A by means of the resolution (2.1). Then we determine the ring structure of  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$ .

We recall the definition of the Yoneda product  $\times$  in  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$ . Denote the right A-projective resolution (2.1) by

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_4} A_3 \xrightarrow{d_3} A_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} A_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} A_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} A/J^l \longrightarrow 0,$$

where we set  $A_i = A$ ,  $d_{2i+1} = d$  and  $d_{2i+2} = \kappa$  for  $i \ge 0$ . Let  $[\phi] \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  and  $[\psi] \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^j(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  be the elements which are represented by  $\phi \in \operatorname{Ker} d_{i+1}^*$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Ker} d_{j+1}^*$ , respectively. There exists the following commutative diagram of right A-modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+j+1}} A_{i+j} \xrightarrow{d_{i+j}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_{j+2}} A_{j+1} \xrightarrow{d_{j+1}} A_j$$

$$\sigma_i \bigg| \qquad \sigma_1 \bigg| \qquad \sigma_0 \bigg| \qquad \psi$$

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} A_i \xrightarrow{d_i} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_2} A_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} A_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} A/J^l \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\sigma_{\nu}$   $(0 \leq \nu \leq i)$  are liftings of  $\psi$ . Then the Yoneda product  $[\phi] \times [\psi]$  is given by  $[\phi\sigma_i] \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^{i+j}(A/J^l, A/J^l)$ .

Define the ring automorphism  $\beta : A \to A$  by

(3.1) 
$$\beta(e_i) = e_{i-1}, \qquad \beta(a_i) = a_{i-1}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . Then it is easily verified that  $\beta(X) = X$  and  $aX^t = X^t\beta^t(a)$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $t \geq 0$ , where  $\beta^0$  denotes the identity map on A. We use these equations in the following calculations.

#### 3.1. The case $k \geq 2l$

In this subsection, we consider the case  $k \geq 2l$ . In order to clearly describe the degree of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$ , by Proposition 2.2, we write  $\operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l) = (A/J^l)\pi_i$  for  $i\geq 0$ , where  $\pi_i$  denotes the natural right A-epimorphism  $\pi : A \to A/J^l$ . Note that if  $\phi \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  then there exists some  $a \in A$  such that  $\phi = (a+J^l)\pi_i$ , and hence  $\phi(x) = ax + J^l$  for all  $x \in A$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** In the case  $k \geq 2l$ , for  $(a + J^l)\pi_i \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  and  $(b + J^l)\pi_j \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^j(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  with  $a, b \in A$ , the Yoneda product  $(a + J^l) \times (b + J^l) \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^{i+j}(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &(a+J^l)\pi_i \times (b+J^l)\pi_j \\ &= \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even}, \\ (a\beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)+J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \text{ } j=0 \text{ or } j \text{ is even}, \\ (aX^{k-2l}\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)+J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \text{ } j \text{ is odd}, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\beta$  is the ring automorphism of A as in (3.1). In particular,  $\pi_0$  is the identity element of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi = (a + J^l)\pi_i$  and  $\psi = (b + J^l)\pi_j$ , then we have  $\phi(x) = ax + J^l$ and  $\psi(x) = bx + J^l$  for all  $x \in A$ .

First, we consider the case j = 0 or j is even. Define the right A-homomorphism  $\sigma_i : A_{i+j} \to A_i$  by

(3.2) 
$$\sigma_i(x) = \begin{cases} \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)x & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ \beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)x & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j}$ . Then there exists the following commutative diagram of right A-modules:

Indeed, we check this as follows. Since  $\sigma_0(x) = bx$  for  $x \in A_{i+j}$ , it follows that  $\pi \sigma_0 = \psi$ . If i = 0 or i is even, then we have

$$(\sigma_i d)(x) = \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b) X^l x = X^l \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k+l}(b) x = (d\sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$  If i is odd, then we have

$$(\sigma_i \kappa)(x) = \beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b) X^{k-l} x = X^{k-l} \beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k}(b) x = (\kappa \sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$ . Therefore  $\sigma_i$  is a lifting of  $\psi$ , and hence we have

$$(a+J^{l})\pi_{i} \times (b+J^{l})\pi_{j} = \phi\sigma_{i} = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^{l})\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (a\beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)+J^{l})\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Next, we consider the case j is odd. Define the right A-homomorphism  $\sigma_i:A_{i+j}\to A_i$  by

$$\sigma_i(x) = \begin{cases} \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)x & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even}, \\ X^{k-2l}\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)x & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \end{cases}$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j}$ . Then there exists the following commutative diagram of right A-modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+j+1}} A_{i+j} \xrightarrow{d_{i+j}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d} A_{j+1} \xrightarrow{\kappa} A_j$$

$$\sigma_i \bigg| \qquad \sigma_1 \bigg| \qquad \sigma_0 \bigg| \qquad \psi$$

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} A_i \xrightarrow{d_i} \cdots \xrightarrow{\kappa} A_1 \xrightarrow{d} A_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} A/J^l \longrightarrow 0.$$

Indeed, we check this as follows. It is clear that  $\pi \sigma_0 = \psi$ . If i = 0 or i is even, then we have

$$(\sigma_i \kappa)(x) = \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b) X^{k-l} x = X^l X^{k-2l} \beta^{\frac{i+2}{2}k-l}(b) x = (d\sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$ . If i is odd, then we have

$$(\sigma_i d)(x) = X^{k-2l} \beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b) X^l x = X^{k-l} \beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k}(b) x = (\kappa \sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$ . Therefore  $\sigma_i$  is a lifting of  $\psi$ , and hence we have

$$(a+J^{l})\pi_{i} \times (b+J^{l})\pi_{j}$$
  
=  $\phi \sigma_{i} = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^{l})\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (aX^{k-2l}\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)+J^{l})\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$ 

This completes the proof of the proposition.

Then we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** In the case  $k \ge 2l$ , we have the following equations:

$$\pi_{i} = \begin{cases} \pi_{2}^{\frac{i}{2}} & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even} \\ \pi_{1} \times \pi_{2}^{\frac{i-1}{2}} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

where we set  $\pi_2^0 = \pi_0$ .

*Proof.* We shall show the statement by induction on *i*. For i = 0, 1, 2, the equation is true, since we set  $\pi_2^0 = \pi_0$  and  $\pi_0$  is the identity element by Proposition 3.1. Suppose as the induction hypothesis that the equation is true for  $i \ge 1$ . If *i* is odd, then we have

$$\pi_{i+2} = \pi_i \times \pi_2 = \pi_1 \times \pi_2^{\frac{i-1}{2}} \times \pi_2 = \pi_1 \times \pi_2^{\frac{i+1}{2}}$$

by Proposition 3.1 and the induction hypothesis. If i is even, then we also have

$$\pi_{i+2} = \pi_i \times \pi_2 = \pi_2^{\frac{i}{2}} \times \pi_2 = \pi_2^{\frac{i+2}{2}}.$$

Therefore the equation is true for i + 2 and hence the statement follows.  $\Box$ 

By Proposition 3.1, we have

$$(a+J^l)\pi_i = (a+J^l)\pi_0 \times \pi_i$$

for  $a + J^l \in A/J^l$  and  $i \ge 0$ . Hence we have the following lemma by Lemma 3.2.

**Lemma 3.3.** In the case  $k \geq 2l$ , the set  $\{(a + J^l)\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2 \mid a \in A\}$  is a set of generators of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} (A/J^l)\pi_i$ . Moreover, for  $(a + J^l)\pi_0$ ,  $(b + J^l)\pi_0 \in (A/J^l)\pi_0$ ,  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$ , we have the following equations:

$$(a + J^l)\pi_0 \times (b + J^l)\pi_0 = (ab + J^l)\pi_0,$$
  

$$\pi_1 \times (b + J^l)\pi_0 = (\beta^l(b) + J^l)\pi_0 \times \pi_1,$$
  

$$\pi_2 \times (b + J^l)\pi_0 = (\beta^k(b) + J^l)\pi_0 \times \pi_2,$$
  

$$\pi_1 \times \pi_1 = (X^{k-2l} + J^l)\pi_2,$$
  

$$\pi_2 \times \pi_1 = \pi_1 \times \pi_2.$$

The following theorem immediately follows by Lemma 3.3.

**Theorem 3.4.** In the case  $k \geq 2l$ , the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i>0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  is isomorphic to the ring

$$(A/J^l)[\zeta,\eta] \Big/ \left(\zeta\eta - \eta\zeta, \,\zeta^2 - (X^{k-2l} + J^l)\eta\right),$$

where deg  $\zeta = 1$ , deg  $\eta = 2$ ,  $(A/J^l)[\zeta, \eta]$  is the non-commutative polynomial ring over  $A/J^l$  with the commutative laws

$$\zeta(b+J^l) = (\beta^l(b)+J^l)\zeta, \qquad \eta(b+J^l) = (\beta^k(b)+J^l)\eta$$

for  $b + J^l \in A/J^l$ , and  $\beta$  is the ring automorphism of A as in (3.1).

In particular, if  $k \geq 3l$  then the relation  $\zeta^2 = 0$  holds in the above, and if k = 2l then  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$  is isomorphic to the ring  $(A/J^l)[\zeta]$ , where deg  $\zeta = 1$  and  $\zeta(b+J^l) = (\beta^l(b)+J^l)\zeta$  for  $b+J^l \in A/J^l$ .

*Remark.* Let l = 1 in the above theorem, then we have the result for the usual Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J) = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J, A/J)$  as follows. If k = 2, then  $\mathcal{E}(A/J)$  is isomorphic to the ring  $(A/J^l)[\zeta]$ , where deg  $\zeta = 1$  and  $\zeta(b+J) = (\beta(b) + J)\zeta$  for  $b + J \in A/J$ . If  $k \ge 3$ , then  $\mathcal{E}(A/J)$  is isomorphic to the ring

$$(A/J)[\zeta,\eta]/(\zeta\eta-\eta\zeta,\zeta^2),$$

where deg  $\zeta = 1$ , deg  $\eta = 2$ ,  $(A/J)[\zeta, \eta]$  is the non-commutative polynomial ring over A/J with the commutative laws

$$\zeta(b+J) = (\beta(b)+J)\zeta, \qquad \eta(b+J) = (\beta^k(b)+J)\eta$$

for  $b + J \in A/J$ . This result is equal to that obtained by A. I. Generalov in [4].

### 3.2. The case k < 2l

In this subsection, we consider the case k < 2l. In order to clearly describe the degree of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$ , by Proposition 2.4, we write

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l}) = \begin{cases} A^{*} = (A/J^{l})\pi_{0} & \text{if } i = 0, \\ \operatorname{Ker} \kappa^{*} = (J^{2l-k}/J^{l})\pi_{i} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \\ A^{*}/\operatorname{Im} \kappa^{*} = (A/J^{l})\pi_{i}/(J^{k-l}/J^{l})\pi_{i} & \text{if } i \text{ is even}, \end{cases}$$

where  $\pi_i$  denotes the natural right A-epimorphism  $\pi : A \to A/J^l$ . Furthermore, let

$$\varepsilon_i = \begin{cases} \pi_0 & \text{if } i = 0, \\ (X^{2l-k} + J^l)\pi_i & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \\ [\pi_i] = \pi_i + \operatorname{Im} \kappa^* & \text{if } i \text{ is even}, \end{cases}$$

then the group  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_A(A/J^l,A/J^l)$  is the left  $A/J^l$  -module generated by  $\varepsilon_i,$  that is,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{i}(A/J^{l}, A/J^{l}) = (A/J^{l})\varepsilon_{i} \quad \text{for } i \geq 0.$$

**Proposition 3.5.** In the case k < 2l, for  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^i(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  and  $(b + J^l)\varepsilon_j \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^j(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  with  $a, b \in A$ , the Yoneda product  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i \times (b + J^l)\varepsilon_j \in \operatorname{Ext}_A^{i+j}(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  is given as follows:

$$(a+J^{l})\varepsilon_{i} \times (b+J^{l})\varepsilon_{j}$$

$$= \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^{l})\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even}, \\ (a\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)+J^{l})\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \text{ } j=0 \text{ or } j \text{ is even}, \\ (aX^{2l-k}\beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)+J^{l})\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd}, \text{ } j \text{ is odd}. \end{cases}$$

In particular,  $\varepsilon_0$  is the identity element of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l)$ .

Proof. Let

$$\begin{split} \phi_i &= \begin{cases} (a+J^l)\pi_i & \text{ if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even}, \\ (aX^{2l-k}+J^l)\pi_i & \text{ if } i \text{ is odd}, \end{cases} \\ \psi_j &= \begin{cases} (b+J^l)\pi_j & \text{ if } j=0 \text{ or } j \text{ is even}, \\ (bX^{2l-k}+J^l)\pi_j & \text{ if } j \text{ is odd}, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

then  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i$  and  $(b + J^l)\varepsilon_j$  are represented by  $\phi_i$  and  $\psi_j$ , respectively. Therefore, we have  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i = [\phi_i]$  and  $(b + J^l)\varepsilon_j = [\psi_j]$ .

First, we consider the case j = 0 or j is even. In this case, we can use the same lifting  $\sigma_i$  of  $\psi_j = (b + J^l)\pi_j$  as in (3.2). Since

$$\phi_i \sigma_i = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b) + J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (a\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)X^{2l-k} + J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

holds and the Yoneda product is given by  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i \times (b + J^l)\varepsilon_j = [\phi_i \sigma_i]$ , we have

$$(a+J^l)\varepsilon_i \times (b+J^l)\varepsilon_j = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (a\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k-l}(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Next, we consider the case j is odd. Define the right A-homomorphism  $\sigma_i:A_{i+j}\to A_i$  by

$$\sigma_i(x) = \begin{cases} \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)X^{2l-k}x & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ \beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)x & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j}$ . Then there exists the following commutative diagram of right A-modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+j+1}} A_{i+j} \xrightarrow{d_{i+j}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d} A_{j+1} \xrightarrow{\kappa} A_j$$

$$\sigma_i \bigg| \qquad \sigma_1 \bigg| \qquad \sigma_0 \bigg| \qquad \psi_j$$

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} A_i \xrightarrow{d_i} \cdots \xrightarrow{\kappa} A_1 \xrightarrow{d} A_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} A/J^l \longrightarrow 0.$$

Indeed, we check this as follows. It is clear that  $\pi \sigma_0 = \psi_j$ . If i = 0 or i is even, then we have

$$(\sigma_i \kappa)(x) = \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b) X^{2l-k} X^{k-l} x = X^l \beta^{\frac{i}{2}k+l}(b) x = (d\sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$ . If i is odd, then we have

$$(\sigma_i d)(x) = \beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)X^l x = X^{k-l}\beta^{\frac{i+1}{2}k}(b)X^{2l-k}x = (\kappa\sigma_{i+1})(x)$$

for  $x \in A_{i+j+1}$ . Therefore  $\sigma_i$  is a lifting of  $\psi_j$ . Since

$$\phi_i \sigma_i = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)X^{2l-k} + J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (aX^{2l-k}\beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b) + J^l)\pi_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

holds and the Yoneda product is given by  $(a + J^l)\varepsilon_i \times (b + J^l)\varepsilon_j = [\phi_i \sigma_i]$ , we have

$$(a+J^l)\varepsilon_i \times (b+J^l)\varepsilon_j = \begin{cases} (a\beta^{\frac{i}{2}k}(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ (aX^{2l-k}\beta^{\frac{i-1}{2}k+l}(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_{i+j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

This completes the proof of the proposition.

Then we have the following lemma by the similar proof to Lemma 3.2. Lemma 3.6. In the case k < 2l, we have the following equations:

$$\varepsilon_{i} = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_{2}^{\frac{i}{2}} & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } i \text{ is even,} \\ \varepsilon_{1} \times \varepsilon_{2}^{\frac{i-1}{2}} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

where we set  $\varepsilon_2^0 = \varepsilon_0$ .

By Proposition 3.5, we have

$$(a+J^l)\varepsilon_i = (a+J^l)\varepsilon_0 \times \varepsilon_i$$

for  $a + J^l \in A/J^l$  and  $i \ge 0$ . Hence we have the following lemma by Lemma 3.6.

**Lemma 3.7.** In the case k < 2l, the set  $\{(a + J^l)\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \mid a \in A\}$  is a set of generators of the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} (A/J^l)\varepsilon_i$ . Moreover, for  $(a+J^l)\varepsilon_0$ ,  $(b+J^l)\varepsilon_0 \in (A/J^l)\varepsilon_0$ ,  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$ , we have the following equations:

$$\begin{split} (a+J^l)\varepsilon_0\times(b+J^l)\varepsilon_0 &= (ab+J^l)\varepsilon_0,\\ \varepsilon_1\times(b+J^l)\varepsilon_0 &= (\beta^{k-l}(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_0\times\varepsilon_1,\\ \varepsilon_2\times(b+J^l)\varepsilon_0 &= (\beta^k(b)+J^l)\varepsilon_0\times\varepsilon_2,\\ \varepsilon_1\times\varepsilon_1 &= (X^{2l-k}+J^l)\varepsilon_2,\\ \varepsilon_2\times\varepsilon_1 &= \varepsilon_1\times\varepsilon_2. \end{split}$$

The following theorem immediately follows by Lemma 3.7.

**Theorem 3.8.** In the case k < 2l, the generalized Yoneda algebra  $\mathcal{E}(A/J^l) = \bigoplus_{i>0} \operatorname{Ext}^i_A(A/J^l, A/J^l)$  is isomorphic to the ring

$$(A/J^l)[\zeta,\eta] \Big/ \left(\zeta\eta - \eta\zeta,\,\zeta^2 - (X^{2l-k} + J^l)\eta\right),$$

where deg  $\zeta = 1$ , deg  $\eta = 2$ ,  $(A/J^l)[\zeta, \eta]$  is the non-commutative polynomial ring over  $A/J^l$  with the commutative laws

$$\zeta(b+J^l) = (\beta^{k-l}(b)+J^l)\zeta, \qquad \eta(b+J^l) = (\beta^k(b)+J^l)\eta$$

for  $b + J^l \in A/J^l$ , and  $\beta$  is the ring automorphism of A as in (3.1).

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