

On the Existence of Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles in $(d + 2)$ -angulated Categories

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category. In this note, we show that if \mathcal{C} is locally finite, then \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles. This extends a result of Xiao and Zhu for triangulated categories.

1. Introduction

Auslander-Reiten theory was introduced by Auslander and Reiten in [1, 2]. Since then, Auslander-Reiten theory has become a fundamental tool for studying the representation theory of Artin algebras. Later it has been generalized to the situations such as exact categories [9], triangulated categories [6, 15] and its subcategories [3, 10], as well as some additive categories [10, 12, 16] by researchers. Extriangulated categories were introduced by Nakaoka and Palu [13] as a simultaneous generalization of exact categories and triangulated categories. Hence, many results hold on exact categories and triangulated categories can be unified in the same framework. Iyama, Nakaoka and Palu [7] introduced the notions of almost split extensions and Auslander-Reiten-Serre duality for extriangulated categories. Meanwhile, they gave explicit connections between these notions and the classical notion of dualizing k -varieties. Xiao and Zhu [17, 18] showed that if a triangulated category \mathcal{C} is locally finite, then \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten triangles. Recently, Zhu and Zhuang [20] proved that if an extriangulated category \mathcal{C} is locally finite, then \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten \mathbb{E} -triangles.

In [5], Geiss, Keller and Oppermann introduced a new type of categories, called $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories, which generalize triangulated categories: the classical triangulated categories are the special case $d = 1$. These categories appear for instance when considering certain d -cluster tilting subcategories of triangulated categories. Iyama and Yoshino [8] defined Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles in special $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories. Later,

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Fedele [4] defined Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles in additive subcategories of $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories which are closed under d -extensions, an example of which is a wide subcategory. He also proved that there are Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles in certain additive subcategories of $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories. Recently, the author [19] showed that a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles if and only if \mathcal{C} has a Serre functor.

In this note, we continue to study Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles in $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories. We will generalize Xiao and Zhu’s result to $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories. Moreover, our proof is different from the usual triangulated case.

Our main result is the following.

Theorem 1.1. (see Theorem 3.8 for details) *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally finite $(d + 2)$ -angulated category. If $X \in \mathcal{C}$ is an indecomposable object, then there are an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle ending at X , and an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle starting at X . In this case, we say that \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles.*

This article is organized as follows: In Section 2, we review some elementary concepts to be used later, including $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories and Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ angles. In Section 3, we prove our main result.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we first recall some definitions and basic properties of $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories from [5]. Let \mathcal{C} be an additive category with an automorphism $\Sigma^d: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$, where d is an integer no less than one.

A $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequence in \mathcal{C} is a sequence of objects and morphisms

$$A_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_{d-1}} A_n \xrightarrow{f_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0.$$

Its *left rotation* is the $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequence

$$A_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} A_3 \xrightarrow{f_3} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0 \xrightarrow{(-1)^d \Sigma^d f_0} \Sigma^d A_1.$$

A *morphism* of $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequences is a sequence of morphisms $\varphi = (\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{d+1})$ such that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} A_0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{f_d} & A_{d+1} & \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\ \downarrow \varphi_0 & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & & & & \downarrow \varphi_{d+1} & & \downarrow \Sigma^d \varphi_0 \\ B_0 & \xrightarrow{g_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{g_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{g_d} & B_{d+1} & \xrightarrow{g_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0 \end{array}$$

commutes, where each row is a $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequence. It is an *isomorphism* if $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_{d+1}$ are all isomorphisms in \mathcal{C} .

Definition 2.1. [5, Definition 2.1] A $(d + 2)$ -angulated category is a triple $(\mathcal{C}, \Sigma^d, \Theta)$, where \mathcal{C} is an additive category, Σ^d is an automorphism of \mathcal{C} (Σ^d is called the d -suspension functor), and Θ is a class of $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequences (whose elements are called $(d + 2)$ -angles), which satisfies the following axioms:

- (N1) (a) The class Θ is closed under isomorphisms, direct sums and direct summands.
- (b) For each object $A \in \mathcal{C}$, the trivial sequence

$$A \xrightarrow{1_A} A \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \Sigma^d A$$

belongs to Θ .

- (c) Each morphism $f_0: A_0 \rightarrow A_1$ in \mathcal{C} can be extended to $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequence:

$$A_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{f_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0.$$

- (N2) A $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequence belongs to Θ if and only if its left rotation belongs to Θ .
- (N3) Each solid commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} A_0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{f_d} & A_{d+1} & \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\ \downarrow \varphi_0 & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & & & & \downarrow \varphi_{d+1} & & \downarrow \Sigma^d \varphi_0 \\ B_0 & \xrightarrow{g_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{g_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{g_d} & B_{d+1} & \xrightarrow{g_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0 \end{array}$$

with rows in Θ , the dotted morphisms exist and give a morphism of $(d + 2)$ - Σ^d -sequences.

- (N4) In the situation of (N3), the morphisms $\varphi_2, \varphi_3, \dots, \varphi_{d+1}$ can be chosen such that the mapping cone

$$\begin{array}{c} A_1 \oplus B_0 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -f_1 & 0 \\ \varphi_1 & g_0 \end{pmatrix}} A_2 \oplus B_1 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -f_2 & 0 \\ \varphi_2 & g_1 \end{pmatrix}} \dots \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -f_{d+1} & 0 \\ \varphi_{d+1} & g_d \end{pmatrix}} \Sigma^n A_0 \oplus B_{d+1} \\ \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma^d f_0 & 0 \\ \Sigma^d \varphi_1 & g_{d+1} \end{pmatrix}} \Sigma^d A_1 \oplus \Sigma^d B_0 \end{array}$$

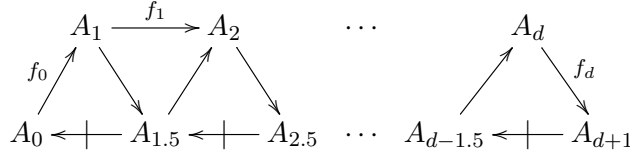
belongs to Θ .

Now we give an example of $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories.

Example 2.2. We recall the standard construction of $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories given by Geiss-Keller-Oppermann [5, Theorem 1]. Let \mathcal{C} be a triangulated category and \mathcal{T} a d -cluster tilting subcategory which is closed under Σ^d , where Σ is the shift functor of \mathcal{C} . Then $(\mathcal{T}, \Sigma^d, \Theta)$ is a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category, where Θ is the class of all sequences

$$A_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{f_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{f_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

such that there exists a diagram



with $A_i \in \mathcal{T}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that all oriented triangles are triangles in \mathcal{C} , all non-oriented triangles commute, and f_{d+1} is the composition along the lower edge of the diagram.

The following two lemmas are very useful which are needed in the sequel.

Lemma 2.3. [4, Lemma 3.13] *Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category, and*

$$(2.1) \quad A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} . Then the following statements are equivalent:

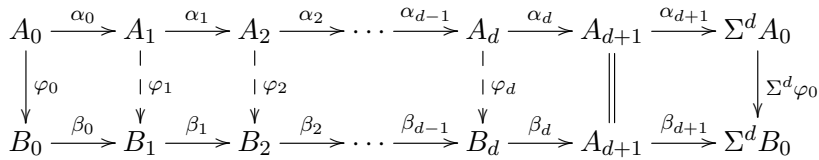
- (1) α_0 is a section;
- (2) α_d is a retraction;
- (3) $\alpha_{d+1} = 0$.

If a $(d + 2)$ -angle (2.1) satisfies one of the above equivalent conditions, it is called split.

Lemma 2.4. [11, Corollary 3.4] *Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category, and*

$$A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} . Then for any morphism $\varphi_0: A_0 \rightarrow B_0$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles



such that

$$\begin{array}{l}
 A_0 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_0 \\ \varphi_0 \end{pmatrix}} A_1 \oplus B_0 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_1 & 0 \\ \varphi_1 & \beta_0 \end{pmatrix}} A_2 \oplus B_1 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_2 & 0 \\ \varphi_2 & \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}} \cdots \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_{d-1} & 0 \\ \varphi_{d-1} & \beta_{d-2} \end{pmatrix}} A_d \oplus B_{d-1} \\
 \xrightarrow{(\varphi_d, \beta_{d-1})} B_d \xrightarrow{(-1)^d \alpha_{d+1} \beta_d} \Sigma^d A_0
 \end{array}$$

is a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} .

Now we recall the Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ theory in $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories.

We denote by $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ the Jacobson radical of \mathcal{C} . Namely, $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ is an ideal of \mathcal{C} such that $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, A)$ coincides with the Jacobson radical of the endomorphism ring $\text{End}(A)$ for any $A \in \mathcal{C}$.

Definition 2.5. (see [8, Definition 3.8] and [4, Definition 5.1]) Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category. A $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$A_{\bullet} : A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

in \mathcal{C} is called an *Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle* if α_0 is left almost split, α_d is right almost split and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}$ are in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ when $d > 1$.

Remark 2.6. [4, Remark 5.2] Assume A_{\bullet} as in Definition 2.5 is an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle. Since α_0 is left almost split, we obtain that $\text{End}(A_0)$ is local and hence A_0 is indecomposable. Similarly, since α_d is right almost split, it follows that $\text{End}(A_{d+1})$ is local and hence A_{d+1} is indecomposable. Moreover, when $d = 1$, we have α_0 and α_d in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$, so that α_d is right minimal and α_0 is left minimal. When $d > 1$, since $\alpha_{d-1} \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$, we have that α_d is right minimal and similarly α_0 is left minimal.

Remark 2.7. [4, Lemma 5.3] Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category and

$$A_{\bullet} : A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) A_{\bullet} is an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle;
- (2) $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}$ are in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ and α_d is right almost split;
- (3) $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_d$ are in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ and α_0 is left almost split.

Lemma 2.8. [4, Lemma 5.4] *Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category and*

$$A_{\bullet} : A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} . Assume that α_d is right almost split and, if $d > 1$, also that $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}$ are in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) A_{\bullet} is an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle;
- (2) $\text{End}(A_0)$ is local;
- (3) α_{d+1} is left minimal;
- (4) α_0 is in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$.

In the case $d = 1$, so in the case of a triangulated category, a morphism can be extended to a triangle in a unique way up to isomorphism. On the other hand, for $d > 1$, a morphism can be extended to a $(d + 2)$ -angle in different non-isomorphic ways. However, we still have a unique “minimal” $(d + 2)$ -angle extending any given morphism.

Lemma 2.9. (see [14, Lemma 5.18] and [4, Lemma 3.14]) *Let $d > 1$ and $h: A_{d+1} \rightarrow \Sigma^d A_0$ be any morphism in a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category \mathcal{C} . Then, up to isomorphism, there exists a unique $(d + 2)$ -angle of the form*

$$A_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} A_{d-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A_{d+1} \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d A_0$$

with $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}$ in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$.

3. Proof of the main result

In this section, let k be a field. We always assume that \mathcal{C} is a k -linear Hom-finite Krull-Schmidt $(d + 2)$ -angulated category. We denote by $\text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$ the set of isomorphism classes of indecomposable objects in \mathcal{C} . For any $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, we denote by $\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, -)$ the subcategory of \mathcal{C} generated by objects Y in $\text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$ with $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) \neq 0$. Similarly, $\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, X)$ denotes the subcategory generated by objects Y in $\text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$ with $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y, X) \neq 0$. If $\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, -)$ ($\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, X)$, respectively) contains only finitely many indecomposable objects, we say that $|\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, -)| < \infty$ ($|\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, X)| < \infty$ respectively).

Based on the definition of locally finite triangulated categories [17, 18], we define the notion of locally finite $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories.

Definition 3.1. A $(d+2)$ -angulated category \mathcal{C} is called *locally finite* if $|\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, -)| < \infty$ and $|\text{Supp Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, X)| < \infty$, for any object $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$.

We know that the derived categories of finite dimensional hereditary algebras of finite type and the stable module categories of finite dimensional self-injective algebras of finite type are examples of locally finite triangulated categories, see [17, 18]. In those locally finite triangulated categories, we take a d -cluster tilting subcategory which is closed under the d -th power of the shift functor. By Example 2.2, we obtain some locally finite $(d + 2)$ -angulated categories.

Definition 3.2. Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category and $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$. We define a set of $(d + 2)$ -angles as follows:

$$S(X) := \left\{ A_{\bullet} : A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0 \mid \right. \\ \left. A_{\bullet} \text{ is a non-split } (d + 2)\text{-angle with } A \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C}), \text{ and when } d > 1, \right. \\ \left. \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1} \text{ in } \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}} \right\}.$$

Dually, we can define a set of $(d + 2)$ -angles as follows:

$$T(X) := \left\{ A_{\bullet} : X \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0 \mid \right. \\ \left. A_{\bullet} \text{ is a non-split } (d + 2)\text{-angle with } A \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C}), \text{ and when } d > 1, \right. \\ \left. \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1} \text{ in } \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}} \right\}.$$

Lemma 3.3. *Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category and $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$. Then $S(X)$ and $T(X)$ are non-empty sets.*

Proof. It is enough to prove that $S(X)$ is non-empty set because we can prove the statement on $T(X)$ by duality.

Since $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, there is an object $A \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, \Sigma^d A) \neq 0$. Thus there exists a non-split $(d + 2)$ -angle:

$$B_{\bullet} : A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} B_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} B_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} B_{d-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} B_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d A.$$

We decompose A into a direct sum of indecomposable objects, i.e., $A = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_i$. Without loss of generality, we can assume that $A = U \oplus V$ where U and V are indecomposable objects. By Lemma 2.4, for the morphism $(1, 0) : U \oplus V \rightarrow U$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\ U & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d U. \end{array}$$

Similarly, for the morphism $(0, 1) : U \oplus V \rightarrow V$, there exists the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (0,1) & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (0,1) \\ V & \xrightarrow{\gamma_0} & D_1 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} & D_2 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d-1}} & D_d & \xrightarrow{\gamma_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d V \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. We assert that at least one of the following two $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$U \xrightarrow{\beta_0} C_1 \xrightarrow{\beta_1} C_2 \xrightarrow{\beta_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} C_d \xrightarrow{\beta_d} X \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} \Sigma^d U, \\ V \xrightarrow{\gamma_0} D_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} D_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d-1}} D_d \xrightarrow{\gamma_d} X \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d+1}} \Sigma^d V$$

is non-split. Otherwise, we obtain $\beta_{d+1} = 0 = \gamma_{d+1}$ by Lemma 2.3. By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \parallel & & \downarrow (\varphi_1) & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\ U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & C_1 \oplus D_1 & \xrightarrow{\delta_1} & C_2 \oplus D_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\delta_{d-1}} & C_d \oplus D_d & \xrightarrow{\delta_d} & X \oplus X & \xrightarrow{\delta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles, where $\delta_i = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_i & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma_i \end{pmatrix}$. It follows that $h = 0$. This is a contradiction since B_\bullet is non-split.

For the morphism $\beta_{d+1} \neq 0$ or $\gamma_{d+1} \neq 0$, by Lemma 2.9, we can find a $(d + 2)$ -angle as desired. This shows that $S(X)$ is a non-empty set. \square

Definition 3.4. Let \mathcal{C} be a $(d + 2)$ -angulated category, and

$$\begin{aligned} A_\bullet &: A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0, \\ B_\bullet &: B \xrightarrow{\beta_0} B_1 \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} B_d \xrightarrow{\beta_d} X \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} \Sigma^d B_0 \end{aligned}$$

two $(d+2)$ -angles in $S(X)$. We say that $A_\bullet > B_\bullet$ if there are morphisms $\varphi_i \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A_i, B_i)$, ($i = 0, 1, \dots, d$) such that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\ | & & | & & | & & & & | & & \parallel & & | \\ \downarrow \varphi_0 & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & & & & \downarrow \varphi_d & & & & \downarrow \Sigma^d \varphi_0 \\ B & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0 \end{array}$$

commutes. We say that $A_\bullet \sim B_\bullet$ if φ_0 is an isomorphism.

Dually, let

$$\begin{aligned} A_\bullet &: X \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} A \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0, \\ B_\bullet &: X \xrightarrow{\beta_0} B_1 \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} B_d \xrightarrow{\beta_d} B \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} \Sigma^d B_0 \end{aligned}$$

be two $(d + 2)$ -angles in $T(X)$. We say that $A_\bullet > B_\bullet$ if there are morphisms $\varphi_i \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A_i, B_i)$, ($i = 1, 2, \dots, d + 1$) such that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d X \\ \parallel & & | & & | & & & & | & & | & & \parallel \\ \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & & & & & & \downarrow \varphi_d & & \downarrow \varphi_{d+1} & & \\ X & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & B & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d X \end{array}$$

commutes. We say that $A_\bullet \sim B_\bullet$ if φ_{d+1} is an isomorphism.

Lemma 3.5. Both $S(X)$ and $T(X)$ are direct ordered sets with the relations defined in Definition 3.4.

Proof. We only prove that the first statement is true for $S(X)$, and the second statement for $T(X)$ can be proved similarly.

Assume that

$$\begin{aligned} A_\bullet &: A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0, \\ B_\bullet &: B \xrightarrow{\beta_0} B_1 \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} B_d \xrightarrow{\beta_d} X \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} \Sigma^d B_0 \end{aligned}$$

belong to $S(X)$.

We first show that if $A_\bullet > B_\bullet$ and $B_\bullet > A_\bullet$, then $A_\bullet \sim B_\bullet$.

Since $A_\bullet > B_\bullet$ and $B_\bullet > A_\bullet$, we have the following two commutative diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\
 | & & | & & | & & & & | & & \parallel & & | \\
 \downarrow \varphi_0 & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & & & & \downarrow \varphi_d & & \parallel & & \downarrow \Sigma^d \varphi_0 \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0, \\
 \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0 \\
 | & & | & & | & & & & | & & \parallel & & | \\
 \downarrow \psi_0 & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow \psi_2 & & & & \downarrow \psi_d & & \parallel & & \downarrow \Sigma^d \psi_0 \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0.
 \end{array}$$

Since A is indecomposable, we have that $\text{End}(A)$ is local. This implies that $\psi_0\varphi_0$ is nilpotent or an isomorphism. If $\psi_0\varphi_0$ is nilpotent, there exists a positive integer m such that $(\psi_0\varphi_0)^m = 0$. We write $\omega_i = \psi_i\varphi_i$. Thus we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} & A_{d-1} & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\
 \downarrow (\psi_0\varphi_0)^m & & \downarrow (\omega_1)^m & & \downarrow (\omega_2)^m & & & & \downarrow (\omega_{d-1})^m & & \downarrow (\varphi_d)^m & & \parallel & & \downarrow \Sigma^d (\psi_0\varphi_0)^m \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} & A_{d-1} & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0.
 \end{array}$$

Then $\alpha_{d+1} = \Sigma^d(\psi_0\varphi_0)^m\alpha_{d+1} = 0$. This is a contradiction since A_\bullet is non-split. Hence $\psi_0\varphi_0$ is an isomorphism. Similarly, we can also obtain that $\varphi_0\psi_0$ is an isomorphism. This shows that φ_0 is an isomorphism. So $A_\bullet \sim B_\bullet$.

It is clear that if $A_\bullet > B_\bullet$ and $B_\bullet > C_\bullet$, then $A_\bullet \sim C_\bullet$.

Now we show that if $A_\bullet, B_\bullet \in S(X)$, then there exists $C_\bullet \in S(X)$ such that $A_\bullet > C_\bullet$ and $B_\bullet \sim C_\bullet$.

For the morphism $\beta_d: B_d \rightarrow X$, by the duality of Lemma 2.4, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\gamma_0} & D_1 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} & D_2 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d-1}} & D_d & \xrightarrow{\gamma_d} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A \\
 \parallel & & | & & | & & & & | & & \downarrow \gamma_d & & \parallel \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A
 \end{array}$$

such that

$$M_\bullet : D_1 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow M_{d-1} \rightarrow B_d \oplus A_d \xrightarrow{(\beta_d, \alpha_d)} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d D_1$$

is a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} , where $M_i = D_{i+1} \oplus A_i$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, d - 1$). Since neither β_d nor α_d is a retraction, we have that (β_d, α_d) is also not a retraction. Otherwise, there exists a

morphism $\binom{s}{t}: X \rightarrow B_d \oplus A_d$ such that $(\beta_d, \alpha_d)\binom{s}{t} = 1_X$ and then $\beta_d s + \alpha_d t = 1_X$. Since X is indecomposable, we have that $\text{End}(X)$ is local. This implies that either $\beta_d s$ or $\alpha_d t$ is an isomorphism. Thus either β_d or α_d is a retraction, a contradiction. That is, M_\bullet is non-split.

Assume that $D_1 = U \oplus V$ where U and V are indecomposable objects. By Lemma 2.4, for the morphism $(1, 0): U \oplus V \rightarrow U$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & B_d \oplus A_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\ U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \end{array}$$

Similarly, for the morphism $(0, 1): U \oplus V \rightarrow V$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & B_d \oplus A_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (0,1) & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (0,1) \\ V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & N_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d V \end{array}$$

By the similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we conclude that the at least one of the following two $(d + 2)$ -angles is non-split

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow L_d \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d U, \\ V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots \longrightarrow N_d \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow \Sigma^d V. \end{array}$$

Without loss of generality, we assume that

$$U \xrightarrow{\delta_0} L_1 \longrightarrow L_2 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow L_d \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d U$$

is non-split. By Lemma 2.9, we can find a non-split $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$C_\bullet : U \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} C_1 \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} C_2 \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} C_d \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d U$$

with $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{d-1}$ in rad_C . By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \binom{0}{1} & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\ U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & B_d \oplus A_d & \xrightarrow{(\beta_d, \alpha_d)} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\ U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \\ \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ U & \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. This shows that $A_\bullet > C_\bullet$.

By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc}
 B & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\beta_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\beta_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d B_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & B_d \oplus A_d & \xrightarrow{(\beta_d, \alpha_d)} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 U & \xrightarrow{(1,0)} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} & X & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma^d U
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. This shows that $B_\bullet > C_\bullet$. □

Lemma 3.6. *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally finite $(d + 2)$ -angulated category and $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$. Then $S(X)$ has a minimal element, and $T(X)$ has a minimal element.*

Proof. We only prove the first statement, the second statement can be proved similarly.

Since $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, there is an object $A \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, \Sigma^d A) \neq 0$. Then there exists a non-split $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$A_\bullet : A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} A_{d-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d A.$$

We decompose B_d into a direct sum of indecomposable objects, i.e., $A_d = \bigoplus_{k=1}^n B_k$. Thus A_\bullet can be written as

$$A_\bullet : A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-2}} A_{d-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} \bigoplus_{k=1}^n B_k \xrightarrow{(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d A$$

where $b_k \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(B_k, X)$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Since \mathcal{C} is locally finite, there are only finitely many objects $X_i \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X_i, X) \neq 0$. We assume that λ_{ij} ($1 \leq j \leq q_i$) form a basis of the k -vector space $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(B_k, X)$. Put $M := (\bigoplus_{k=1}^n B_k) \oplus (\bigoplus_{i=1}^m (X_i)^{\oplus q_i})$, considering the morphism

$$\delta := (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n, \lambda_{11}, \dots, \lambda_{ij}, \dots, \lambda_{mq_m}) \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(M, X)$$

which is not a retraction, it can be embedded in a $(d + 2)$ -angle:

$$M_\bullet : B \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow M_{d-1} \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\delta} X \rightarrow \Sigma^d B.$$

Thus M_\bullet is non-split since δ is not a retraction. Assume that $B = U \oplus V$ where U and V are indecomposable objects. By Lemma 2.4, for the morphism $(1, 0): U \oplus V \rightarrow U$, there

exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\theta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U.
 \end{array}$$

Similarly, for the morphism $(0, 1): U \oplus V \rightarrow V$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow (0,1) & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (0,1) \\
 V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d V.
 \end{array}$$

By the similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we conclude that at least one of the following two $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U & \xrightarrow{\theta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U, \\
 V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & N_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d V
 \end{array}$$

is non-split. Without loss of generality, we assume that

$$U \xrightarrow{\theta_0} L_1 \longrightarrow L_2 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow L_d \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} \Sigma^d U$$

is non-split. By Lemma 2.9, we can find a non-split $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$C_\bullet : U \xrightarrow{\omega_0} C_1 \xrightarrow{\omega_1} C_2 \xrightarrow{\omega_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\omega_{d-1}} C_d \xrightarrow{\omega_d} X \xrightarrow{f} \Sigma^d U$$

with $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_{d-1}$ in $\text{rad} C$. Then $C_\bullet \in S(X)$. By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M & \xrightarrow{\delta} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\omega_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\omega_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\omega_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\omega_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\omega_d} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles.

For any $D_\bullet \in S(X)$, it can be written as

$$D_\bullet : D \rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow D_{d-1} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^p L_i \xrightarrow{d=(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_p)} X \rightarrow \Sigma^d D$$

with $d_i \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(L_i, X)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$. Since $D_{\bullet} \in S(X)$ is non-split, we get that d is not a retraction which implies $d \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}(\bigoplus_{i=1}^p L_i, X)$. By the definitions of λ_{ij} and δ , there exists a morphism $\rho: \bigoplus_{i=1}^p L_i \rightarrow M$ such that $d = \delta\rho$. By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 D & \longrightarrow & D_1 & \longrightarrow & D_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & D_{d-1} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{i=1}^p L_i & \xrightarrow{d} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d D \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 B & \longrightarrow & M_1 & \longrightarrow & M_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & M_{d-1} & \longrightarrow & M & \xrightarrow{\delta} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d B
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles, where $B = U \oplus V$. Thus we get the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 D & \longrightarrow & D_1 & \longrightarrow & D_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & D_{d-1} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{i=1}^p L_i & \xrightarrow{d} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d D \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\omega_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\omega_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\omega_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\omega_{d-2}} & C_{d-1} & \xrightarrow{\omega_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\omega_d} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. This shows that C_{\bullet} is a minimal element in $S(X)$. □

Remark 3.7. If there exists a minimal element in $S(X)$ or $T(X)$, then it is unique up to isomorphism by Lemma 2.9.

We are now in a position to prove our main result.

Theorem 3.8. *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally finite $(d + 2)$ -angulated category. If $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, then there are an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle ending at X , and an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle starting at X . In this case, we say that \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angles.*

Proof. Since $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, we know that $S(X)$ is non-empty by Lemma 3.3. By Lemma 3.6, there exists a $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$A_{\bullet} : A \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} A_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} X \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} \Sigma^d A_0$$

which is a minimal element in $S(X)$. Since $A_{\bullet} \in S(X)$, we have that $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1} \in \text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$ and A is indecomposable. Then $\text{End}(A)$ is local.

We need to prove that A_{\bullet} is an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle. By Lemma 2.8, it suffices to show that α_d is right almost split.

Assume that $g: M \rightarrow X$ is not a retraction. By the duality of Lemma 2.4, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\gamma_0} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d-1}} & B_d & \xrightarrow{\gamma_d} & M & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow \psi_2 & & & & \downarrow \psi_d & & \downarrow \gamma_d & & \parallel \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A
 \end{array}$$

such that

$$N_\bullet : B_1 \rightarrow N_1 \rightarrow N_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow N_{d-1} \rightarrow M \oplus A_d \xrightarrow{(g, \alpha_d)} X \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma^d B_1$$

is a $(d + 2)$ -angle in \mathcal{C} , where $N_i = B_{i+1} \oplus A_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, d - 1$. Since g and α_d are not retractions, we have that (g, α_d) is also not a retraction by the similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 3.5. That is, N_\bullet is non-split.

Without loss of generality, we can assume that $B_1 = U \oplus V$ where U and V are indecomposable objects. By Lemma 2.4, for the morphism $(1, 0): U \oplus V \rightarrow U$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M \oplus A_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (1,0) & & \downarrow \varphi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (1,0) \\ U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U. \end{array}$$

Similarly, for the morphism $(0, 1): U \oplus V \rightarrow V$, there exists the following commutative diagram of $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M \oplus A_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\ \downarrow (0,1) & & \downarrow \psi_1 & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow (0,1) \\ V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & Q_1 & \longrightarrow & Q_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & Q_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d V. \end{array}$$

By the similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we conclude that at least one of the following two $(d + 2)$ -angles

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U, \\ V & \xrightarrow{\eta_0} & Q_1 & \longrightarrow & Q_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & Q_d & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d V \end{array}$$

is non-split. Without loss of generality, we assume that

$$U \xrightarrow{\delta_0} L_1 \longrightarrow L_2 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow L_d \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} \Sigma^d U$$

is non-split. By Lemma 2.9, we can find a non-split $(d + 2)$ -angle

$$C_\bullet : U \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} C_1 \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} C_2 \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} C_d \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} X \xrightarrow{f} \Sigma^d U$$

with $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{d-1}$ in $\text{rad}_{\mathcal{C}}$. By (N3), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M \oplus A_d & \xrightarrow{(g,\alpha_d)} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & L_1 & \longrightarrow & L_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_d & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 U & \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. We obtain that $A_\bullet > C_\bullet$, which implies $A_\bullet \sim C_\bullet$, since A_\bullet is the minimal element in $S(X)$. Thus there exists the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U & \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{d-1}} & C_d & \xrightarrow{\lambda_d} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & \Sigma^d U \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. Hence we get the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 U \oplus V & \xrightarrow{(u,v)} & N_1 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & M \oplus A_d & \xrightarrow{(g,\alpha_d)} & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^d U \oplus \Sigma^d V \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d-1}} & A_d & \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} & X & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{d+1}} & \Sigma^d A_0
 \end{array}$$

of $(d + 2)$ -angles. It follows that $g = a\alpha_d$. This shows that α_d is right almost split.

Similarly, we can show that if $X \in \text{ind}(\mathcal{C})$, then there exists an Auslander-Reiten $(d + 2)$ -angle starting at X . This completes the proof. \square

Remark 3.9. As a special case of Theorem 3.8 when $d = 1$, that is, if \mathcal{C} is a locally finite triangulated category, then \mathcal{C} has Auslander-Reiten triangles, see [17, 18].

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