

Residually faithful modules and the Cohen-Macaulay type of idealizations

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Introduction

Let R be a commutative ring and M an R -module.

We set $A = R \oplus M$ as an additive group and define the multiplication in A by

$$(a, x) \cdot (b, y) = (ab, ay + bx)$$

for $(a, x), (b, y) \in A$. Then, A forms a commutative ring, which we denote by $A = R \times M$ and call the **idealization** of M over R .

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Problem 1.

Find “nice” MCM modules of R by analyzing the **Cohen-Macaulay type** of the idealization $R \times M$.

Setting

Suppose

- (R, \mathfrak{m}) : a Cohen-Macaulay local ring of dimension d
- M : a non-zero maximal Cohen-Macaulay R -module
- $A = R \times M$

$$\nu_R(M) = \ell_R(\text{Ext}_R^d(R/\mathfrak{m}, M))$$

denotes the **Cohen-Macaulay type** of M . Set $\nu(R) = \nu_R(R)$.

Let $Q(R)$ be the total ring of fractions of R .

For R -submodules X and Y of $Q(R)$, let

$$X : Y = \{a \in Q(R) \mid aY \subseteq X\}$$

and $X :_R Y = (X : Y) \cap R$.

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Lemma 2.

Let (R, \mathfrak{m}) be a commutative local ring and let M be an R -module. We set $A = R \times M$ and denote by $\mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{m} \times M$ the maximal ideal of A . Then

$$(0) :_A \mathfrak{n} = [(0) :_R \mathfrak{m}] \cap \text{Ann}_R M \times [(0) :_M \mathfrak{m}].$$

Therefore, when R is an Artinian local ring,

$$(0) :_A \mathfrak{n} = (0) \times [(0) :_M \mathfrak{m}] \Leftrightarrow \text{Ann}_R M = (0).$$

Theorem 3.

Let R be a CM local ring and M an MCM R -module. Set $A = R \ltimes M$. Then

$$\nu_R(M) \leq \nu(A) \leq \nu_R(M) + \nu(R).$$

Let \mathfrak{q} be a parameter ideal of R . We then have the following.

- (1) $\nu(A) = \nu_R(M) \Leftrightarrow M/\mathfrak{q}M$ is a faithful R/\mathfrak{q} -module.
- (2) $\nu(A) = \nu_R(M) + \nu(R) \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{q} :_R \mathfrak{m})M = \mathfrak{q}M$.

(proof) We may assume that R is Artin. Then, since

$$(0) \subseteq [(0) :_R \mathfrak{m}] \cap \text{Ann}_R M \subseteq (0) :_R \mathfrak{m},$$

$$\nu_R(M) \leq \nu(A) \leq \nu_R(M) + \nu(R).$$

Example 4.

Let k be a field and set

$$S = k[[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_\ell]] \quad (\ell \geq 2).$$

Suppose that $R = S/\mathbb{I}_2(\mathbb{M})$, where $\mathbb{M} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_{\ell-1} & x_\ell \\ x_2 & x_3 & \dots & x_\ell & x_1^2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then R is a one-dimensional CM local ring with $r(R) = \ell - 1$. Consider ideals

$$I_i = (x_1) + (x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_\ell) \quad \text{for all } 2 \leq i \leq \ell$$

of R , where x_j denotes the image of X_j in R . Then

$$r(R \rtimes I_i) = r_R(I_i) + (\ell - i + 1).$$

Proposition 5.

Let $M \in \Omega\text{CM}(R)$. Then

$$r(R \times M) = \begin{cases} r_R(M) & \text{if } R \text{ is a direct summand of } M, \\ r_R(M) + r(R) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(proof) Take an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\varphi} F \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0,$$

where F is free and X is an MCM R -module. Let \mathfrak{q} be a parameter ideal of R . Then

$$0 \rightarrow M/\mathfrak{q}M \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} F/\mathfrak{q}F \rightarrow X/\mathfrak{q}X \rightarrow 0.$$

If M has no free summands, $\bar{\varphi}(M/\mathfrak{q}M) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}(F/\mathfrak{q}F)$. Hence, $(\mathfrak{q} :_R \mathfrak{m})M = \mathfrak{q}M$.

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Definition 6 (Brennan-Vasconcelos (2001)).

Let M be an MCM R -module. We say that M is **residually faithful**, if $M/\mathfrak{q}M$ is a faithful R/\mathfrak{q} -module for some parameter ideal \mathfrak{q} of R .

Note that

$$M \text{ is a residually faithful module} \Leftrightarrow \tau_R(M) = \tau(R \times M).$$

Therefore, the property of residually faithful is **independent** of the choice of a parameter ideal \mathfrak{q} of R .

Theorem 7.

Suppose that R possesses the canonical module K_R . Set

$$t : \text{Hom}_R(M, K_R) \otimes_R M \rightarrow K_R, \text{ where } t(f \otimes x) = f(x).$$

Then

$$\tau(A) = \tau_R(M) + \mu_R(\text{Cokert } t).$$

Corollary 8.

Suppose that R possesses the canonical module K_R . Then TFAE.

- (1) $\tau(R \times M) = \tau_R(M)$.
- (2) $t : \text{Hom}_R(M, K_R) \otimes_R M \rightarrow K_R$ is surjective.
- (3) M is a residually faithful R -module.

Proposition 9 (Properties of residually faithful (RF)).

Let M be an MCM R -module. Then the following assertions hold true.

- (1) Let $a \in \mathfrak{m}$ be a NZD of R and $\bar{*} = R/aR \otimes_R *$. Then M is a (RF) R -module $\Leftrightarrow \bar{M}$ is a (RF) \bar{R} -module.
- (2) Suppose that $\exists K_R$. Then M is a (RF) R -module $\Leftrightarrow M^\vee$ is a (RF) R -module.
- (3) Let $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ be a flat local homomorphism of CM local rings. Then M is a (RF) R -module $\Leftrightarrow S \otimes_R M$ is a (RF) S -module.
- (4) Suppose that M is a (RF) R -module. Then
 - M is a faithful R -module.
 - $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a (RF) $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module for $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R$.

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Notation

Set

- $\text{CM}(R) = \{M \mid M \text{ is a nonzero MCM } R\text{-module}\}$
- $\Omega\text{CM}(R) = \{M \in \text{CM}(R) \mid \exists 0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow F \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0, \text{ s.t. } F \text{ is free and } X \in \text{CM}(R)\}$
- $\Omega\text{CM}^\times(R) = \{M \in \Omega\text{CM}(R) \mid M \text{ has no free summands}\}$
- $\text{UI}(R) = \{M \in \text{CM}(R) \mid \mu_R(M) = e_m^0(M)\}$

Note that $M \in \text{UI}(R)$ is called an **Ulrich R -module**.

Set

$$\mathcal{A} = \{M \in \text{CM}(R) \mid \tau(R \times M) = \tau_R(M) + \tau(R)\}.$$

Theorem 10.

The inclusions

$$\Omega\text{CM}^\times(R) \subseteq \mathcal{A} \text{ and } \text{Ul}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{A}$$

holds and we have the following.

- (1) $\text{Ul}(R) = \mathcal{A} \Leftrightarrow R$ has maximal embedding dimension.
- (2) [Kobayashi (2017)] Suppose that $\dim R = 1$ and $\mathbb{Q}(\hat{R})$ is a Gorenstein ring. Then $\Omega\text{CM}^\times(R) = \mathcal{A} \Leftrightarrow R$ is an almost Gorenstein local ring.

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Bounding the supremum $\sup r(R \times M)$

Let $r > 0$ be an integer and set

$$\mathcal{F}_r(R) = \{M \in \text{CM}(R) \mid M \subseteq R^{\oplus r}\}.$$

Theorem 11.

Let $M \in \mathcal{F}_r(R)$. Then

$$r(R \times M) \leq r(R) + r \cdot e(R).$$

The equality holds if and only if either R is a RLR or M is an Ulrich R -module, possessing rank r .

Bounding the supremum $\sup_{I \in \mathcal{F}} \nu(R \times I)$

Corollary 12.

Suppose that (R, \mathfrak{m}) is a CM local ring of dimension one. Let \mathcal{F} be the set of \mathfrak{m} -primary ideals of R . Then

$$\sup_{I \in \mathcal{F}} \nu(R \times I) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } R \text{ is a DVR,} \\ \nu(R) + e(R) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

One-dimensional case

Assume that $\dim R = 1$. Let I be an \mathfrak{m} -primary ideal.

Definition 13.

- (1) I is called a **closed ideal** if $I : I = R$.
- (2) I is called a **trace ideal** if $(R : I)I = I$.

One-dimensional case

Theorem 14.

Suppose that R is a Gorenstein ring and let I be an \mathfrak{m} -primary ideal. Then the following assertions hold true.

- (1) Every closed ideal of R is principal.
- (2) $\tau(R \times I) = 1 + \tau_R(I)$, if $\mu_R(I) > 1$.
- (3) $\tau(R/I) \leq \tau_R(I) \leq 1 + \tau(R/I)$.
- (4) If I is a trace ideal, then $\tau_R(I) = 1 + \tau(R/I)$.

Corollary 15.

Let R be a Gorenstein ring which is not a DVR. Then $R \times \mathfrak{m}$ is an almost Gorenstein ring, possessing $\tau(R \times \mathfrak{m}) = 3$.

Thank you for your attention.