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LOCAL COHOMOLOGY, COFINITENESS  
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*Abstract.* Let  $I$  be an ideal of a commutative Noetherian ring  $R$ . It is shown that the  $R$ -modules  $H_I^j(M)$  are  $I$ -cofinite for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and all  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  if and only if the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^j(M))$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^j(M))$  are  $I$ -cofinite for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  and all integers  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, let  $R$  denote a commutative Noetherian ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . In this paper we denote  $\text{Supp } R/I = \{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R: \mathfrak{p} \supseteq I\}$  by  $V(I)$ . Also,  $\mathbb{N}$  (or  $\mathbb{N}_0$ ) will denote the set of positive (or nonnegative) integers. Furthermore,  $\mathbb{Z}$  will denote the set of integers.

The  $i$ th local cohomology module of an  $R$ -module  $M$  with support in  $V(I)$  is defined as:

$$H_I^i(M) = \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \text{Ext}_R^i(R/I^n, M).$$

We refer the reader to [10] or [18] for more details about local cohomology.

For an  $R$ -module  $M$ , its cohomological dimension with respect to  $I$ , denoted by  $\text{cd}(I, M)$ , is defined as the supremum of all integers  $i$  such that  $H_I^i(M) \neq 0$ . Also let

$$q(I, M) = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0: H_I^i(M) \text{ is not Artinian}\}$$

with the usual convention that the supremum of the empty set is interpreted as  $-\infty$ . Several authors have studied these two notions, see [6], [3], [15], [17], [19], [22].

Hartshorne in [20] defined an  $R$ -module  $X$  to be  $I$ -cofinite if the support of  $X$  is contained in  $V(I)$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/I, X)$  is finitely generated for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and asked the following question:

**Question 1.1.** *For which Noetherian rings  $R$  and ideals  $J$  of  $R$ , are the modules  $H_J^i(M)$   $J$ -cofinite for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ?*

In the sequel,  $\mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  denotes the category of all  $I$ -cofinite  $R$ -modules, and  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  denotes the category of all  $R$ -modules  $M \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  such that  $\dim M \leq 1$ . Also, throughout this paper, let  $\mathcal{S}(R)$  be the class of all ideals  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Concerning Question 1.1, there are several interesting results in the literature containing some sufficient conditions for the ideals of  $R$  for being in  $\mathcal{S}(R)$ , see [3]–[5], [8], [12]–[14], [21], [23], [25], [27], [28], [31].

In [7] the author proved that for each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$ ,  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  if and only if  $H_I^i(R) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for each integer  $i \geq 2$ . Furthermore, he proved that in the case that  $R$  is a local ring, the condition  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  is equivalent to the condition that for each minimal prime ideal  $\mathfrak{P}$  of  $\widehat{R}$ ,  $\dim \widehat{R}/(I\widehat{R} + \mathfrak{P}) \leq 1$  or  $\text{cd}(I\widehat{R}, \widehat{R}/\mathfrak{P}) \leq 1$ .

Huneke and Koh proved that for each pair of finitely generated modules  $C$  and  $M$  over a Noetherian local ring  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$ , under some special conditions, the  $R$ -module  $\text{Ext}_R^1(C, H_I^i(M))$  is  $I$ -cofinite whenever  $\dim R/I \leq 1$ ; see [21], Lemmas 4.3 and 4.7. Subsequently, as a generalization of these results in [1] and [29], it was shown that the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, M)$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, M)$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ , whenever  $N$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module and  $M \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Furthermore, by [8], Corollary 2.7 we know that for each finitely generated module  $M$  over a Noetherian ring  $R$  and each ideal  $I$  of  $R$  with  $\dim R/I \leq 1$  the  $R$ -module  $H_I^j(M)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for each  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Consequently, for each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $\dim R/I \leq 1$  and each pair of finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^j(M))$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^j(M))$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Also, the author in [6], Corollary 2.14 proved that the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^j(M))$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^j(M))$  are  $I$ -cofinite whenever  $q(I, R) \leq 1$ . But, by [8], Corollary 2.7 and [3], Theorem 4.10 we know that under each of the assumptions  $\dim R/I \leq 1$  or  $q(I, R) \leq 1$ , the ideal  $I$  belongs to  $\mathcal{S}(R)$ .

Pursuing this point of view further for each Noetherian ring  $R$  we define  $\mathcal{H}(R)$  as the class of all ideals  $I$  of  $R$  such that

$$\text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^j(M)), \text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^j(M)) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$$

for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  and all integers  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then we establish the equality  $\mathcal{H}(R) = \mathcal{S}(R)$ .

In [33] Zöschinger introduced an interesting class of minimax modules, and in [33], [34] he has given many equivalent conditions for a module to be minimax. The  $R$ -module  $N$  is said to be a *minimax module* if there is a finitely generated submodule  $L$  of  $N$  such that  $N/L$  is Artinian. Hence, the class of minimax modules includes all finitely generated and all Artinian modules. It was shown by Zink (see [32]) and by Enochs (see [16]) that a module over a complete local ring is minimax if and only if it is Matlis reflexive. In [24] the authors proved many interesting results concerning the homological properties of this family of modules. It is well known that in a short exact sequence, the middle module is minimax if and only if the two other ones are.

Recall that the  $I$ -transform functor, denoted by  $D_I(-)$ , is defined as:

$$D_I(-) = \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \text{Hom}_R(I^n, -).$$

In this paper we prove the following theorem as well:

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ . Suppose that*

$$X^\circ: \dots \rightarrow M_{i+2} \xrightarrow{f_{i+1}} M_{i+1} \xrightarrow{f_i} M_i \rightarrow \dots,$$

*is an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms such that the  $R$ -module  $M_i$  is minimax for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  the  $n$ th homology module of the complex  $D_I(X^\circ)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .*

Throughout this paper, for each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$  and each  $R$ -module  $M$ , let  $\Gamma_I(M)$  be the submodule  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (0 :_M I^n)$  of  $M$ . Also, for any ideal  $J$  of  $R$ , the *radical of  $J$*  is defined to be the set  $\text{Rad}(J) = \{x \in R: x^n \in J \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . For any unexplained notation and terminology we refer to [10], [11], [26].

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we prove some technical results which will be used later. We start this section with some auxiliary lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *For each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$  the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ .
- (ii)  $H_I^i(R) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all integers  $i \geq 2$ .
- (iii) For each finitely generated  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all integers  $i \geq 2$ .
- (iv) For each finitely generated  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\bigoplus_{i=2}^{\infty} H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .

Proof. (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) The assertion holds by [7], Theorem 4.10.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Then by using localization and applying Theorem 2.2 of [15] it is straightforward to see that

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 2} \text{Supp } H_I^i(M) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \geq 2} \text{Supp } H_I^i(R).$$

Since by the hypothesis  $\dim H_I^i(R) \leq 1$  for each integer  $i \geq 2$ , it can be deduced that  $\dim H_I^i(M) \leq 1$  for each integer  $i \geq 2$ . Furthermore, from the hypothesis  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  we obtain that  $H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all integers  $i \geq 2$ . Consequently, we have  $H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all integers  $i \geq 2$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) Let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Suppose that  $I$  can be generated by  $t$  elements. Then by Theorem 3.3.1 of [10] we have  $H_I^i(M) = 0$  for all integers  $i > t$ . Hence,

$$\bigoplus_{i=2}^{\infty} H_I^i(M) \simeq \bigoplus_{i=2}^t H_I^i(M),$$

which shows that  $\bigoplus_{i=2}^{\infty} H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) The assertion is obvious. □

For each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ , it follows from the definition that

$$\Omega_R(I) := \text{Supp} \bigoplus_{i \geq 2} H_I^i(R) = \bigcup_{i \geq 2} \text{Supp } H_I^i(R)$$

is a closed subset of  $\text{Spec } R$  under the Zariski topology. We define  $I^* := \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \Omega_R(I)} \mathfrak{p}$ . Note that by Lemma 2.1, always one has either  $I^* = R$  or  $0 \leq \dim R/I^* \leq 1$ . Also, it is easy to see that  $\text{Rad}(I) \subseteq I^*$  and  $\Omega_R(I) = V(I^*)$ . Furthermore, it is clear that  $I^* = R$  if and only if  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ . In addition, the reader can see that  $\dim R/I^* = 0$  (or  $\dim R/I^* = 1$ ) if and only if  $\mathfrak{q}(I, R) \leq 1 < \text{cd}(I, R)$  (or  $\mathfrak{q}(I, R) > 1$ ).

For each  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ , let  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  be the category of all  $I$ -cofinite modules  $X$  such that  $\text{Supp } X \subseteq V(I^*)$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  is a subcategory of  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Moreover, if  $I$  is an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ , then it follows from the proof of Lemma 2.1 that  $H_I^i(M) \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for each finitely generated  $R$ -module  $M$  and each integer  $i \geq 2$ .

In the sequel, for each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  let  $\mathcal{B}(R, I)$  (or  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ ), be the category of all  $R$ -modules  $Y$  such that  $H_I^i(Y) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  (or  $H_I^i(Y) \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ ) for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Obviously, by these definitions always  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  is a subcategory of  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ . Then for each minimax  $R$ -module  $M$ , the  $R$ -module  $D_I(M)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .*

P r o o f. By [10], Corollary 2.2.8 (iv), one has

$$H_I^i(D_I(M)) = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1$$

and by [10], Corollary 2.2.8 (v), Lemma 6.3.1, it can be seen that

$$H_I^i(D_I(M)) \simeq H_I^i(M)$$

for all integers  $i \geq 2$ . Furthermore, according to the definition of minimaxness, the  $R$ -module  $M$  possesses a finitely generated submodule  $N$  such that the  $R$ -module  $M/N$  is Artinian. So, by Grothendieck's Vanishing Theorem we have  $H_I^i(M/N) = 0$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/N \rightarrow 0$$

yields the isomorphism of  $R$ -modules  $H_I^i(M) \simeq H_I^i(N)$  for each integer  $i \geq 2$ . Hence,  $H_I^i(D_I(M)) \simeq H_I^i(N)$  for each integer  $i \geq 2$ . Since for each integer  $i \geq 2$  the  $R$ -module  $H_I^i(N)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ , it is concluded that  $D_I(M) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .  $\square$

Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  and let  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$  denote the category of all  $R$ -modules  $M$  with  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/I, M) = 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . We recall that in view of [30], Proposition 3.2,  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$  also can be defined as the category of all  $R$ -modules  $M$  with  $\text{Tor}_i^R(R/I, M) = 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Moreover, by Theorem 2.9 of [2], it can also be defined as the class of all  $R$ -modules  $M$  such that  $H_I^i(M) = 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ , and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ .
- (ii)  $\text{Hom}_R(R/I, M) = 0 = \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, M)$ .

P r o o f. The conclusion (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is obvious.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Since  $\text{Hom}_R(R/I, M) = 0 = \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, M)$ , by using the relation

$$\text{Supp } R/I^n = \text{Supp } R/I,$$

we obtain that  $\text{Hom}_R(R/I^n, M) = 0 = \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I^n, M)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, for  $i = 0, 1$ ,

$$H_I^i(M) = \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \text{Ext}_R^i(R/I^n, M) = 0.$$

Moreover, by using the hypothesis  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$  and [10], Lemma 6.3.1, we see that  $H_I^i(M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 2$ . So,  $H_I^i(M) = 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and hence  $M \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $R$  be a Noetherian ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$  with  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ . Then  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$  is an Abelian category.*

*Proof.* Let  $M, N \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$  and  $f: M \rightarrow N$  be an  $R$ -homomorphism. Set  $K := \ker f$ ,  $B := \text{im } f$  and  $C := \text{coker } f$ . The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow N$$

induces the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/I, B) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/I, N).$$

Since  $\text{Hom}_R(R/I, N) = 0$ , obviously,  $\text{Hom}_R(R/I, B) = 0$ . Also, from the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow M \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

we obtain the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/I, K) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/I, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/I, B) \\ \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, K) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, M). \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption,

$$\text{Hom}_R(R/I, M) \simeq \text{Hom}_R(R/I, B) \simeq \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, M) \simeq 0,$$

and therefore, from this exact sequence we arrive at the following relations:

$$\text{Hom}_R(R/I, K) = 0 = \text{Ext}_R^1(R/I, K).$$

Hence, by Lemma 2.3 we see that  $K \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ . Moreover, from the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow M \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

and the assumption that  $K, M \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ , we get  $B \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ . Finally, by using the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow N \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

and the fact that  $B, N \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ , we see that  $C \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ . This means that  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$  is an Abelian category, as required.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.5.** *Let  $R$  be a Noetherian ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$  with  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ . Let*

$$X^\circ: \dots \rightarrow X^i \rightarrow X^{i+1} \rightarrow X^{i+2} \rightarrow \dots$$

*be a complex of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms such that for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $X^i \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ . Then  $H^i(X^\circ) \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

*Proof.* The assertion follows from Lemma 2.4.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ , and  $N$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Then for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, M)$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, M)$  belong to  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$ .*

*Proof.* Let

$$\dots \rightarrow F_2 \xrightarrow{f_1} F_1 \xrightarrow{f_0} F_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} N \rightarrow 0$$

be a free resolution for  $N$  such that for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the  $R$ -module  $F_i$  has finite rank. Now by calculating the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, M)$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, M)$  with this free resolution, one can obtain the assertion from Lemma 2.5.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $\text{cd}(I, R) \leq 1$ , and  $N$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Then for each  $R$ -module  $M$  and each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, D_I(M))$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, D_I(M))$  are in  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $R$ -module  $M$ , by [10], Corollary 2.2.8 (iv) for  $i = 0, 1$ , one has

$$H_I^i(D_I(M)) = 0,$$

and by [10], Corollary 2.2.8 (v), Lemma 6.3.1 for all integers  $i \geq 2$ , we have

$$H_I^i(D_I(M)) \simeq H_I^i(M) = 0.$$

Hence,  $D_I(M) \in \mathcal{D}(R, I)$ . So, by Lemma 2.6 the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, D_I(M))$  and  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, D_I(M))$  belong to  $\mathcal{D}(R, I)$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.8.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  and  $\Gamma_I(R) = 0$ . Then for each finitely generated  $R$ -module  $M$ , the  $R$ -module  $M \otimes_R D_I(R)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module and set  $W := M \otimes_R D_I(R)$ . From the assumptions  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$  and  $\Gamma_I(R) = 0$  with the proof of Theorem 4.10 of [7], it follows that the  $R$ -module  $H_I^i(W)$  is  $I$ -cofinite for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Now, let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of  $R$  with  $\mathfrak{p} \notin V(I^*)$ . Then it is clear that

$$H_{IR_{\mathfrak{p}}}^i(R_{\mathfrak{p}}) \simeq (H_I^i(R))_{\mathfrak{p}} = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \geq 2.$$

Thus, by using Lemma 2.7, we get the relations

$$(H_I^i(W))_{\mathfrak{p}} \simeq H_{IR_{\mathfrak{p}}}^i(M_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}} D_{IR_{\mathfrak{p}}}(R_{\mathfrak{p}})) = 0 \quad \text{for each } i \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

So,  $\text{Supp } H_I^i(W) \subseteq V(I^*)$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Hence, the  $R$ -module  $W = M \otimes_R D_I(R)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .  $\square$



**Lemma 2.9.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $f: M \rightarrow N$ ,  $g: N \rightarrow L$  be two  $R$ -homomorphisms of  $R$ -modules. Then there are two exact sequences of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms like*

$$0 \rightarrow (\ker g + \operatorname{im} f) / \operatorname{im} f \rightarrow \operatorname{coker} f \rightarrow \operatorname{coker} g \circ f \rightarrow \operatorname{coker} g \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f \rightarrow \ker g \circ f \rightarrow \ker g \rightarrow (\ker g + \operatorname{im} f) / \operatorname{im} f \rightarrow 0.$$

*Proof.* This is straightforward and left to the reader.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.10** ([9], Theorem 2.7). *For each ideal  $I$  of a Noetherian ring  $R$ ,  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\operatorname{cof}}$  is an Abelian category.*

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\operatorname{cof}}$  and let  $N$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Then for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(N, M)$ ,  $\operatorname{Tor}_i^R(N, M)$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\operatorname{cof}}$ .*

*Proof.* See [1], Theorem 2.7 and [29], Lemma 3.3.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.12.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring. Then for each pair of finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$  there is an isomorphism of  $R$ -modules*

$$\operatorname{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) \simeq D_I(\operatorname{Hom}_R(N, M)).$$

*Proof.* Since by assumption  $N$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, we see that the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(N, -)$  commutes with direct limits. Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) &= \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \operatorname{Hom}_R(I^n, M)) \simeq \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, \operatorname{Hom}_R(I^n, M)) \\ &\simeq \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \operatorname{Hom}_R(N \otimes_R I^n, M) \simeq \varinjlim_{n \geq 1} \operatorname{Hom}_R(I^n, \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, M)) \\ &= D_I(\operatorname{Hom}_R(N, M)), \end{aligned}$$

as required.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.13.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{I}(R)$ . Let*

$$0 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{f} N \xrightarrow{g} L \rightarrow 0$$

*be a short exact sequence of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms. If two of the  $R$ -modules  $M$ ,  $N$  and  $L$  are in  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ , then the third  $R$ -module is in  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$  as well.*

Proof. Since  $\dim R/I^* \leq 1$ , the assertion follows by applying Lemma 2.10 to the long exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H_I^0(M) \rightarrow H_I^0(N) \rightarrow H_I^0(L) \rightarrow H_I^1(M) \rightarrow H_I^1(N) \rightarrow H_I^1(L) \rightarrow \dots$$

□

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

The main purpose of this section is to prove the equality  $\mathcal{H}(R) = \mathcal{S}(R)$  for each Noetherian ring  $R$ . We will prove this result in Theorem 3.3. But first we need the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ . Then for each pair of finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\text{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M))$  and  $D_I(M) \otimes_R N$  are in  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .*

Proof. Assume that  $M$  and  $N$  are two finitely generated  $R$ -modules. Since by Lemma 2.13,  $\text{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) \simeq D_I(\text{Hom}_R(N, M))$  and by Lemma 2.2 we have

$$D_I(\text{Hom}_R(N, M)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I),$$

it follows that  $\text{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Now, we prove that  $D_I(M) \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Since  $\Gamma_I(R)M \subseteq \Gamma_I(M)$ , it follows that  $\Gamma_I(R) \subseteq \text{Ann}_R M / \Gamma_I(M)$ . Furthermore, as  $D_I(M) \simeq D_I(M / \Gamma_I(M))$ , obviously

$$\Gamma_I(R) \subseteq \text{Ann}_R M / \Gamma_I(M) \subseteq \text{Ann}_R D_I(M / \Gamma_I(M)) = \text{Ann}_R D_I(M).$$

Therefore,  $R / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_R D_I(M) \simeq D_I(M)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} N \otimes_R D_I(M) &\simeq N \otimes_R (R / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_R D_I(M)) \simeq (N \otimes_R R / \Gamma_I(R)) \otimes_R D_I(M) \\ &\simeq N / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_R D_I(M) \simeq N / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_{R / \Gamma_I(R)} D_I(M). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the Independence Theorem, we have

$$H_I^i(N \otimes_R D_I(M)) \simeq H_{(I + \Gamma_I(R)) / \Gamma_I(R)}^i(N / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_{R / \Gamma_I(R)} D_I(M)) \text{ for each } i \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

By using [14], Proposition 2, we get that  $(I + \Gamma_I(R)) / \Gamma_I(R) \in \mathcal{S}(R / \Gamma_I(R))$ , and also  $N \otimes_R D_I(M) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$  if and only if

$$N / \Gamma_I(R) \otimes_{R / \Gamma_I(R)} D_I(M) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R / \Gamma_I(R), (I + \Gamma_I(R)) / \Gamma_I(R)).$$

By replacing  $R$  with  $R / \Gamma_I(R)$ , we can make the additional assumption that  $\Gamma_I(R) = 0$ . The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow D_I(R) \rightarrow H_I^1(R) \rightarrow 0$$

induces the exact sequence

$$\mathrm{Tor}_1^R(H_I^1(R), M) \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\alpha} D_I(R) \otimes_R M \rightarrow H_I^1(R) \otimes_R M \rightarrow 0.$$

Since

$$\mathrm{Supp} \ker \alpha \subseteq \mathrm{Supp} \mathrm{Tor}_1^R(H_I^1(R), M) \subseteq \mathrm{Supp} H_I^1(R) \subseteq V(I)$$

and

$$\mathrm{Supp} \mathrm{coker} \alpha = \mathrm{Supp} H_I^1(R) \otimes_R M \subseteq \mathrm{Supp} H_I^1(R) \subseteq V(I),$$

by [10], Proposition 2.2.11 (i) we can deduce that the map  $D_I(\alpha)$  is an isomorphism and hence,

$$D_I(D_I(R) \otimes_R M) \simeq D_I(M).$$

By using this relation, the following exact sequence can be obtained

$$(3.1) \quad 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow D_I(R) \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\beta} D_I(M) \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $A := \Gamma_I(D_I(R) \otimes_R M)$ ,  $B := H_I^1(D_I(R) \otimes_R M)$  and  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ , by Lemma 2.8. From the exact sequence (3.1) we obtain the exact sequence

$$(3.2) \quad 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow D_I(R) \otimes_R M \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $C := \mathrm{im} \beta$ . Also, this exact sequence yields the short exact sequence

$$A \otimes_R N \xrightarrow{\gamma} D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N) \rightarrow C \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0.$$

Lemma 2.11 shows that the  $R$ -modules  $A \otimes_R N$ ,  $B \otimes_R N$  and  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^R(B, N)$  are  $I$ -cofinite. On the other hand, the  $R$ -modules  $A$  and  $B$  have supports in  $V(I^*)$ , which yields that these  $R$ -modules have supports in  $V(I^*)$  likewise. Therefore, the  $R$ -modules  $A \otimes_R N$ ,  $B \otimes_R N$  and  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^R(B, N)$  are in  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ . Moreover, as  $\mathrm{Supp} \mathrm{im} \gamma \subseteq \mathrm{Supp} A \otimes_R N \subseteq V(I)$ , we see that  $\mathrm{im} \gamma \subseteq \Gamma_I(D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N))$ .

Let  $\bar{\gamma}: A \otimes_R N \rightarrow \Gamma_I(D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N))$  be the map induced by  $\gamma$ . Then it is clear that  $\mathrm{im} \bar{\gamma} = \mathrm{im} \gamma$ . By Lemma 2.8 we know that  $\Gamma_I(D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N)) \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ . Therefore, applying Lemma 2.10 shows that the  $R$ -module  $\mathrm{im} \bar{\gamma}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ .

Since  $\mathrm{im} \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$  and by Lemma 2.8,  $D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ , the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \gamma \rightarrow D_I(R) \otimes_R (M \otimes_R N) \rightarrow C \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0$$

together with Lemma 2.13 implies that  $C \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Furthermore, from (3.1) we get the short exact sequence

$$(3.3) \quad 0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow D_I(M) \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

which induces the exact sequence

$$\mathrm{Tor}_1^R(B, N) \xrightarrow{\lambda} C \otimes_R N \xrightarrow{\mu} D_I(M) \otimes_R N \rightarrow B \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\mathrm{Supp} \, \mathrm{im} \, \lambda \subseteq \mathrm{Supp} \, \mathrm{Tor}_1^R(B, N) \subseteq V(I)$ , clearly  $\mathrm{im} \, \lambda \subseteq \Gamma_I(C \otimes_R N)$ .

Let  $\bar{\lambda}: \mathrm{Tor}_1^R(B, N) \rightarrow \Gamma_I(C \otimes_R N)$  be the map induced by  $\lambda$ . Hence, obviously  $\mathrm{im} \, \bar{\lambda} = \mathrm{im} \, \lambda$ . Since  $C \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ , by the definition one has  $\Gamma_I(C \otimes_R N) \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ . Therefore, Lemma 2.11 yields that the  $R$ -module  $\mathrm{im} \, \bar{\lambda}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ . Since  $\mathrm{im} \, \lambda \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$  and  $C \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ , the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \, \lambda \rightarrow C \otimes_R N \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \, \mu \rightarrow 0$$

together with Lemma 2.13 implies that  $\mathrm{im} \, \mu \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Finally, with the facts that  $\mathrm{im} \, \mu \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ ,  $B \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\mathrm{cof}}$ , and applying Lemma 2.13 on the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \, \mu \rightarrow D_I(M) \otimes_R N \rightarrow B \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0,$$

we obtain that  $D_I(M) \otimes_R N \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ , as required.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring with  $I \in \mathcal{I}(R)$ . Then for each pair of finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  and each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the  $R$ -modules  $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(N, D_I(M))$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^i(N, D_I(M))$  are in  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .*

*Proof.* We use induction on  $i$ . For  $i = 0$  the assertion holds by Lemma 3.1. Now, we prove the assertion for  $i = 1$ . Select an exact sequence

$$(3.4) \quad 0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow R^n \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . The exact sequence (3.4) yields the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_1^R(N, D_I(M)) \rightarrow K \otimes_R D_I(M) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n D_I(M) \rightarrow N \otimes_R D_I(M) \rightarrow 0,$$

which gives the two following short exact sequences:

$$(3.5) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \, \alpha \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^n D_I(M) \rightarrow N \otimes_R D_I(M) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$(3.6) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_1^R(N, D_I(M)) \rightarrow K \otimes_R D_I(M) \rightarrow \mathrm{im} \, \alpha \rightarrow 0.$$

By using Lemmas 2.13 and 3.1, from the short exact sequence (3.5) we get  $\text{im } \alpha \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Also, by using this result, Lemma 2.13 and Lemma 3.1, from the short exact sequence (3.6) we get  $\text{Tor}_1^R(N, D_I(M)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

In addition, from the exact sequence (3.4) we have the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) &\rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^n D_I(M) \xrightarrow{\beta} \text{Hom}_R(K, D_I(M)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(N, D_I(M)) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

which induces the short exact sequences

$$(3.7) \quad 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N, D_I(M)) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^n D_I(M) \rightarrow \text{im } \beta \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$(3.8) \quad 0 \rightarrow \text{im } \beta \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(K, D_I(M)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(N, D_I(M)) \rightarrow 0.$$

By using Lemmas 2.13, 3.1 and the exact sequence (3.7) we get  $\text{im } \beta \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Using this result together with Lemmas 2.13, 3.1 and the short exact sequence (3.8) shows that  $\text{Ext}_R^1(N, D_I(M)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Suppose, inductively, that  $i > 1$  and the result has been proved for smaller values of  $i - 1$ . Since  $i > 1$ , the exact sequence (3.4) yields the isomorphism of  $R$ -modules

$$\text{Tor}_i^R(N, D_I(M)) \simeq \text{Tor}_{i-1}^R(K, D_I(M)), \quad \text{Ext}_R^i(N, D_I(M)) \simeq \text{Ext}_R^{i-1}(K, D_I(M)).$$

By the inductive hypothesis, the  $R$ -modules

$$\text{Tor}_{i-1}^R(K, D_I(M)), \quad \text{Ext}_R^{i-1}(K, D_I(M))$$

are in  $\mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Thus,  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, D_I(M)), \text{Ext}_R^i(N, D_I(M)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . □

The following theorem is the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Suppose that  $R$  is a Noetherian ring. Then  $\mathcal{H}(R) = \mathcal{I}(R)$ .*

*Proof.* It is clear that  $\mathcal{H}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(R)$ . In order to prove  $\mathcal{I}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{H}(R)$ , let  $I \in \mathcal{I}(R)$ . We prove that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^j(M)), \text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^j(M)) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$  for all finitely generated  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  and all integers  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Since  $H_I^0(M) = \Gamma_I(M)$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module with support in  $V(I)$ , we see that the assertion holds for  $j = 0$ . Moreover, using the fact that for each integer  $j \geq 2$ ,  $H_I^j(M) \in \mathcal{C}^1(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ , and applying Lemma 2.11, the assertion will hold for all integers  $j \geq 2$ . Therefore, we must prove the assertion just for the case  $j = 1$ .

For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , set

$$A_k := \text{Tor}_k^R(N, M/\Gamma_I(M)), \quad B_k := \text{Tor}_k^R(N, D_I(M)), \quad C_k := \text{Tor}_k^R(N, H_I^1(M)).$$

Now, assume that  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M/\Gamma_I(M) \rightarrow D_I(M) \rightarrow H_I^1(M) \rightarrow 0$$

induces the exact sequence

$$A_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i} B_i \xrightarrow{\beta_i} C_i \xrightarrow{\delta_i} A_{i-1}.$$

Since  $A_i$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, we see that  $\text{im } \alpha_i$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Therefore, the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha_i)$  is finitely generated and  $H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha_i) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Since  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \beta_i) = \text{im } \beta_i$ , the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } \alpha_i \rightarrow B_i \rightarrow \text{im } \beta_i \rightarrow 0$$

yields the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha_i) \rightarrow \Gamma_I(B_i) \xrightarrow{f_i} \text{im } \beta_i \xrightarrow{g_i} H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha_i) \rightarrow H_I^1(B_i) \rightarrow 0.$$

By Lemma 3.2, the  $R$ -module  $H_I^1(B_i)$  is  $I$ -cofinite and hence the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } g_i \rightarrow H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha_i) \rightarrow H_I^1(B_i) \rightarrow 0$$

shows that  $\text{im } g_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Also, by Lemma 3.2, the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(B_i)$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Therefore, by considering the fact that the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha_i)$  is finitely generated with the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha_i) \rightarrow \Gamma_I(B_i) \rightarrow \text{im } f_i \rightarrow 0$$

we deduce that the  $R$ -module  $\text{im } f_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Now, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } f_i \rightarrow \text{im } \beta_i \rightarrow \text{im } g_i \rightarrow 0$$

shows that  $\text{im } \beta_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Since the  $R$ -module  $A_{i-1}$  is finitely generated, it follows that  $\text{im } \delta_i$  is a finitely generated  $I$ -torsion  $R$ -module. Hence,  $\text{im } \delta_i$  is an  $I$ -cofinite  $R$ -module. Finally, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } \beta_i \rightarrow C_i \rightarrow \text{im } \delta_i \rightarrow 0$$

shows that the  $R$ -module  $C_i = \text{Tor}_i^R(N, H_I^1(M))$  is  $I$ -cofinite.

Now, for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , set

$$A'_k := \text{Ext}_R^k(N, M/\Gamma_I(M)), \quad B'_k := \text{Ext}_R^k(N, D_I(M)), \quad C'_k := \text{Ext}_R^k(N, H_I^1(M)).$$

Assume that  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M/\Gamma_I(M) \rightarrow D_I(M) \rightarrow H_I^1(M) \rightarrow 0$$

induces the exact sequence

$$A'_i \xrightarrow{\alpha'_i} B'_i \xrightarrow{\beta'_i} C'_i \xrightarrow{\delta'_i} A'_{i+1}.$$

Since  $A'_i$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, we see that  $\text{im } \alpha'_i$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Therefore, the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha'_i)$  is finitely generated and  $H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha'_i) \in \mathcal{C}(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Because  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \beta'_i) = \text{im } \beta'_i$ , the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } \alpha'_i \rightarrow B'_i \rightarrow \text{im } \beta'_i \rightarrow 0$$

yields the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha'_i) \rightarrow \Gamma_I(B'_i) \xrightarrow{f'_i} \text{im } \beta'_i \xrightarrow{g'_i} H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha'_i) \rightarrow H_I^1(B'_i) \rightarrow 0.$$

By Lemma 3.2, the  $R$ -module  $H_I^1(B'_i)$  is  $I$ -cofinite and hence the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } g'_i \rightarrow H_I^1(\text{im } \alpha'_i) \rightarrow H_I^1(B'_i) \rightarrow 0$$

shows that  $\text{im } g'_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Also, by Lemma 3.2, the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(B'_i)$  is  $I$ -cofinite.

Since the  $R$ -module  $\Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha'_i)$  is finitely generated, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_I(\text{im } \alpha'_i) \rightarrow \Gamma_I(B'_i) \rightarrow \text{im } f'_i \rightarrow 0$$

implies that the  $R$ -module  $\text{im } f'_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Now, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } f'_i \rightarrow \text{im } \beta'_i \rightarrow \text{im } g'_i \rightarrow 0$$

shows that  $\text{im } \beta'_i$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Since the  $R$ -module  $A'_{i+1}$  is finitely generated, it follows that  $\text{im } \delta'_i$  is a finitely generated  $I$ -torsion  $R$ -module. Thus,  $\text{im } \delta'_i$  is an  $I$ -cofinite  $R$ -module. At the end, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } \beta'_i \rightarrow C'_i \rightarrow \text{im } \delta'_i \rightarrow 0$$

shows that the  $R$ -module  $C'_i = \text{Ext}_R^i(N, H_I^1(M))$  is  $I$ -cofinite. Therefore,  $I \in \mathcal{H}(R)$ .  $\square$

The following theorem is the final result of this paper.

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Noetherian ring  $R$  with  $I \in \mathcal{S}(R)$ . Suppose that*

$$X^\circ: \dots \rightarrow M_{i+2} \xrightarrow{f_{i+1}} M_{i+1} \xrightarrow{f_i} M_i \rightarrow \dots$$

*is an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms such that the  $R$ -module  $M_i$  is minimax for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  the  $n$ th homology module of the complex  $D_I(X^\circ)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .*

*P r o o f.* Select an element  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R$  with  $\mathfrak{p} \notin V(I^*)$  and set  $S := R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ . Then it is clear that  $\text{cd}(IR_{\mathfrak{p}}, R_{\mathfrak{p}}) \leq 1$  and hence by [10], Lemma 6.3.1 the functor  $D_{IR_{\mathfrak{p}}}(-)$  is exact. Therefore, the complex  $S^{-1}D_I(X^\circ)$  is an exact sequence. This observation shows that all homology modules of the complex  $D_I(X^\circ)$  have supports in  $V(I^*)$ .

Suppose that  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , set  $C_i := \text{coker } f_i$ . The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_{n+2} \rightarrow M_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}_n} \text{im } f_n \rightarrow 0$$

induces the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow D_I(C_{n+2}) \rightarrow D_I(M_{n+1}) \xrightarrow{D_I(\tilde{f}_n)} D_I(\text{im } f_n) \rightarrow H_I^2(C_{n+2}) \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n+1}} H_I^2(M_{n+1}),$$

which shows that  $\text{coker } D_I(\tilde{f}_n) \simeq \ker \alpha_{n+1}$ . Since by the hypothesis that the  $R$ -module  $M_{n+1}$  is minimax, it follows that the  $R$ -module  $C_{n+2}$  is minimax too. So, by the proof of Lemma 2.2 we see that both of the  $R$ -modules  $H_I^2(C_{n+2})$  and  $H_I^2(M_{n+1})$  are in  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Hence, applying Lemma 2.10, we can deduce that the  $R$ -module  $\ker \alpha_{n+1}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Thus,  $\text{coker } D_I(\tilde{f}_n) \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .

On the other hand, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } f_n \xrightarrow{\iota_n} M_n \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow 0$$

induces the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow D_I(\text{im } f_n) \xrightarrow{D_I(\iota_n)} D_I(M_n) \rightarrow D_I(C_n) \rightarrow H_I^2(\text{im } f_n) \xrightarrow{\beta_n} H_I^2(M_n).$$

Since by assumption the  $R$ -module  $M_n$  is minimax, it follows that the  $R$ -modules  $\text{im } f_n$  and  $C_n$  are minimax as well. So, by the proof of Lemma 2.2 it follows that both of the  $R$ -modules  $H_I^2(\text{im } f_n)$  and  $H_I^2(M_n)$  are in  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Therefore, by using Lemma 2.10 we can deduce that  $\ker \beta_n \in \mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ . Furthermore, by Lemma 2.2 we have  $D_I(C_n) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Therefore, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(\iota_n) \rightarrow D_I(C_n) \rightarrow \ker \beta_n \rightarrow 0$$

together with Lemma 2.13 imply that  $\text{coker } D_I(\iota_n) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Since  $f_n = \iota_n \circ \tilde{f}_n$ , by Lemma 2.9, we have the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow U \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(\tilde{f}_n) \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(f_n) \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(\iota_n) \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $U = (\ker D_I(\iota_n) + \text{im } D_I(\tilde{f}_n)) / \text{im } D_I(\tilde{f}_n)$ .

Since  $\ker D_I(\iota_n) = 0$ , from the last exact sequence we get the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(\tilde{f}_n) \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(f_n) \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(\iota_n) \rightarrow 0.$$



By Lemma 2.13 the last exact sequence shows that  $\text{coker } D_I(f_n) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Also, by Lemma 2.2 we have  $D_I(M_n) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . So, by using Lemma 2.13 from the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } D_I(f_n) \rightarrow D_I(M_n) \rightarrow \text{coker } D_I(f_n) \rightarrow 0,$$

we deduce that  $\text{im } D_I(f_n) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Furthermore, applying the same method, it is concluded that  $\text{im } D_I(f_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Moreover, by Lemma 2.2 we have  $D_I(M_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . Therefore, the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker D_I(f_{n-1}) \rightarrow D_I(M_{n-1}) \rightarrow \text{im } D_I(f_{n-1}) \rightarrow 0,$$

together with Lemma 2.13 show that  $\ker D_I(f_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ . So, by applying Lemma 2.13 to the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{im } D_I(f_n) \rightarrow \ker D_I(f_{n-1}) \rightarrow H_n(D_I(X^\circ)) \rightarrow 0,$$

we obtain that  $H_n(D_I(X^\circ)) \in \mathcal{B}^*(R, I)$ .

Since the  $R$ -module  $H_n(D_I(X^\circ))$  has support in  $V(I^*)$ , obviously,

$$\Gamma_I(H_n(D_I(X^\circ))) = H_n(D_I(X^\circ)),$$

and hence the  $R$ -module  $H_n(D_I(X^\circ))$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}^*(R, I)_{\text{cof}}$ .  $\square$

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