

FINITE INJECTIVE DIMENSION OVER RINGS WITH NOETHERIAN COHOMOLOGY

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ABSTRACT. We study rings that have Noetherian cohomology over a ring of cohomology operators. Examples of such rings include commutative complete intersection rings and finite dimensional cocommutative Hopf algebras. The main result is a criterion for a complex of modules over a ring with Noetherian cohomology to have finite injective dimension. The criterion implies in particular that for any module over such a ring, if all higher self-extensions of the module vanish, then it must have finite injective dimension. This generalizes a theorem of Avramov and Buchweitz for complete intersection rings, and a well-known theorem in the representation theory of finite groups.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let R be an associative ring and S a ring of cohomology operators on R . Thus S is a commutative graded ring and there is a family of homogeneous maps of graded rings indexed by all complexes of R -modules M :

$$\zeta_M : S \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M),$$

that satisfies a commutativity condition. See Section 3 for the full definition. We say R has *Noetherian cohomology* over S if $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is a Noetherian S -module via ζ_M for all M with Noetherian cohomology over R .

In this paper we prove the following:

Theorem. *Let R be a ring with Noetherian cohomology over a ring of cohomology operators S , and let M be a complex of R -modules with $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$. Let S^+ be the ideal $\bigoplus_{i \geq 1} S^i$. If the S -module $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Recall that $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion if for every $x \in \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ there exists an integer n such that $(S^+)^n x = 0$. There is, for instance, an integer l depending on the degrees of the generators of S^+ , such that if $\text{Ext}_R^{nl}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$, then $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion; see 4.5. The notions of Ext and injective dimension for a complex generalize the usual ones for a module. In particular, if M is an R -module with $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$, then M has finite injective dimension.

There is a wide class of rings with Noetherian cohomology and hence to which the above result applies. First, assume that R is a ring of the form $Q/(f_1, \dots, f_c)$, where Q is a commutative Noetherian regular ring of finite Krull dimension and f_1, \dots, f_c is a Q -regular sequence. The graded polynomial ring $S = R[\chi_1, \dots, \chi_c]$, where the degree of each χ_i is 2, is a ring of cohomology operators for R and R has Noetherian cohomology over S by [Gul74]. In this context the Theorem generalizes a key instance of [AB00, Theorem 4.2] from finitely generated modules to a large class of complexes, including all modules:

Corollary A. *Let $R = Q/(f_1, \dots, f_c)$, where Q is a commutative Noetherian regular ring of finite Krull dimension and f_1, \dots, f_c is a Q -regular sequence. Let M be a complex of R -modules with $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$. If $\text{Ext}_R^{2n}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Indeed, if $\text{Ext}_R^{2n}(M, M) = 0$ for some n , then $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ must be S^+ -torsion since the degree of χ_i is 2. Thus $l = 2$ in the notation above. See 5.1 for further details.

If R is an algebra, which is possibly non-commutative, over a field and S is a commutative graded subring of the Hochschild cohomology ring of R , then S is a ring of cohomology operators for R ; see 5.5 for the construction. Let \mathfrak{r} be the Jacobson radical of R . If we further assume that R is finite dimensional over the field, S is Noetherian, and $\text{Ext}_R^*(R/\mathfrak{r}, R/\mathfrak{r})$ is a Noetherian S -module, then by [EHT⁺04, 2.4], R has Noetherian cohomology over S . In this context, the Theorem generalizes [EHT⁺04, Theorem 2.5] from finite dimensional modules to a large class of complexes, including all modules:

Corollary B. *Let R be a finite dimensional algebra over a field and let \mathfrak{r} be the Jacobson radical of R . Assume that $\text{Ext}_R^*(R/\mathfrak{r}, R/\mathfrak{r})$ is a Noetherian module over some commutative Noetherian subring of the Hochschild cohomology of R . There exists an integer $l \geq 1$ such that for any complex of R -modules M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$, if $\text{Ext}_R^{nl}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$, then M has finite injective dimension.*

By the main result of [FS97] every finite dimensional cocommutative Hopf algebra satisfies the hypotheses of Corollary B. In particular the result applies to the group ring of a finite group over a field.

For the proof of the Theorem, we work in an “infinite completion” of the bounded derived category of Noetherian R -modules. This allows us to avoid finiteness conditions on the complexes to which the criterion is applied. By [Kra05], such a completion is given by the homotopy category of injective R -modules. We recall relevant facts about this category in Section 2. In Section 3 we give the precise definition of a ring of cohomology operators and prove a preliminary result. The proof of the Theorem occupies Section 4 and in Section 5 we apply it to the cases discussed above.

The techniques in this paper are inspired by [BIK08]. We have minimized the use of machinery from that paper to make this one more self-contained.

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2. BACKGROUND

Throughout R denotes an associative ring. By the word “module” we mean a left-module. An R -complex is a complex of R -modules.

In this section we briefly recall some definitions and results on triangulated categories. We then review the homological algebra of complexes that we will need.

2.1. Let M be an R -complex. We write $H^n(M)$ for the n th cohomology group of M and $H(M)$ for the graded R -module which in degree n is $H^n(M)$. We say M has *finite cohomology* if $H(M)$ is a Noetherian R -module; this implies in particular that $H^n(M) = 0$ for $|n| \gg 0$. The complex M is *acyclic* if $H(M) = 0$.

Let N be another R -complex. We denote the *Hom-complex* between M and N by $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$; this has components and differential given by

$$\text{Hom}_R(M, N)^n = \prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_R(M^i, N^{i+n}) \quad \partial(f) = \partial^N \circ f - (-1)^{|f|} f \circ \partial^M,$$

where $|f|$ is the degree of f . A *morphism* $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a degree zero cycle of $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$, i.e. $\partial(f) = 0$. It is a *quasi-isomorphism* when $H(f) : H(M) \rightarrow H(N)$ is an isomorphism.

2.2. The *homotopy category of injective R -modules*, denoted by $\text{K}(\text{Inj } R)$, has as objects complexes of injective R -modules. The morphisms between objects X, Y are given by

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(X, Y) := H^0(\text{Hom}_R(X, Y)).$$

In other words, morphisms in $\text{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ are homotopy equivalence classes of morphisms of complexes.

The standard shift functor on $\text{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is denoted Σ . Thus for a complex

$$X = \dots \rightarrow X^{n-1} \rightarrow X^n \rightarrow X^{n+1} \rightarrow \dots$$

we have that $(\Sigma X)^n = X^{n+1}$ and $\partial_{\Sigma X} = -\partial_X$. By $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(X, Y)$ we denote the \mathbb{Z} -graded abelian group which in degree n is $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(X, \Sigma^n Y)$. With multiplication given by composition $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(X, X)$ is a graded ring while $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(X, Y)$ is a bimodule with left action by $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(Y, Y)$ and right action by $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(X, X)$.

2.3. The category $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is triangulated. For a proof and reference on triangulated categories see e.g. [Ver96]. A triangulated subcategory of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is *thick* if it is closed under direct summands; it is *localizing* when it is closed under set-indexed direct sums. Every localizing subcategory in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is automatically thick, see e.g. the proof of [HPS97, 1.4.8].

For a subclass of objects \mathbf{C} in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$, we denote by $\text{thick}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathbf{C})$, respectively $\text{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathbf{C})$, the smallest thick, respectively localizing, subcategory containing \mathbf{C} . One may realize these by taking the intersection of all thick, respectively localizing, subcategories containing \mathbf{C} .

An object $C \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is *compact* if the natural map

$$\bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(C, X_i) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(C, \bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i)$$

is an isomorphism for any set of objects $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$ of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$. We denote the collection of compact objects of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ by $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)^c$.

When R is left-Noetherian, [Kra05, 2.3.1] shows that $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is *compactly generated*, i.e. an object $X \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is nonzero if and only if there exists a compact object $C \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ such that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(C, X) \neq 0$.

2.4. A complex of injective modules I is *semi-injective* if for all acyclic complexes A , the complex $\text{Hom}_R(A, I)$ is acyclic. When I is semi-injective it has the following lifting property: for every morphism $\alpha : M \rightarrow I$ and every quasi-isomorphism $\beta : M \rightarrow N$ there exists a unique up to homotopy map $\gamma : N \rightarrow I$ making the following diagram commute

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\beta} & N \\ \alpha \downarrow & \simeq \nearrow & \\ I & \xleftarrow{\gamma} & \end{array}$$

A *semi-injective resolution* of a complex M is a quasi-isomorphism $\eta_M : M \rightarrow iM$, where iM is semi-injective. Every complex has a semi-injective resolution; this was first proven in [Spa88]. Moreover, by the lifting property, a semi-injective resolution is unique up to isomorphism in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$.

When M is a module viewed as a complex concentrated in degree 0, a semi-injective resolution of M is just an injective resolution in the usual sense.

2.5. Let iM, iN be semi-injective resolutions of complexes M, N , respectively. Define the derived Hom functors as

$$\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N) := \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(iM, \Sigma^n iN) \cong H^n \text{Hom}_R(iM, iN).$$

The lifting property of semi-injective complexes shows that $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, N)$ is independent of the choice of resolutions, up to isomorphism.

If there exists a semi-injective resolution $\eta_M : M \rightarrow iM$ such that $(iM)^n = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$ then we say M has *finite injective dimension* and write $\text{inj dim}_R M < \infty$.

2.6. Let $\mathbf{D}(R)$ be the unbounded derived category of R -modules, see e.g. [Ver96] for the definition. We denote by Q the localization functor $Q : \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R) \rightarrow \mathbf{D}(R)$ which sends a complex to its image in the derived category. When R is left-Noetherian [Kra05, 2.3.2] shows that Q restricts to an equivalence

$$Q : \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)^c \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbf{D}^f(R),$$

where $\mathbf{D}^f(R)$ is the full subcategory of $\mathbf{D}(R)$ of objects with finite cohomology. The functor Q has a right adjoint, denoted by Q_ρ , which when restricted to $\mathbf{D}^f(R)$ gives an inverse to the equivalence

above; moreover, for any $M \in \mathbf{D}^f(R)$, the object $Q_\rho M$ is semi-injective [Kra05, 3.6]. Thus *the compact objects of \mathbf{K} are exactly the semi-injective resolutions of objects in $\mathbf{D}^f(R)$* .

The following construction is a key part of the proof of the main Theorem.

2.7. Let $\mathbf{S} = \text{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{C})$, for a set of compact objects \mathbf{C} in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$. For any object X in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ there is a triangle

$$\Gamma X \rightarrow X \rightarrow \mathbf{L}X \rightarrow$$

such that $\Gamma X \in \mathbf{S}$ and $\mathbf{L}X \in \mathbf{S}^\perp$, where

$$\mathbf{S}^\perp = \{Y \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R) \mid \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}}(Z, Y) = 0 \text{ for all } Z \in \mathbf{S}\}.$$

This is a form of *Bousfield localization*; see [Nee92, 1.7] for a proof.

3. COHOMOLOGY OPERATORS

Throughout this section $S = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S^i$ denotes a commutative graded ring .

3.1. We say S is a *ring of cohomology operators* for R if for every $X \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ there is a map of graded rings

$$\zeta_X : S \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, X)$$

such that the two S -module structures on $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, Y)$ via ζ_X and ζ_Y agree. Thus for each $\alpha \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, Y)$, and all homogeneous $s \in S$, we require

$$(3.1.1) \quad \zeta_Y(s) \cdot \alpha = (-1)^{|s|} \alpha \cdot \zeta_X(s).$$

We say R has *Noetherian cohomology* over S if S is Noetherian, has finite Krull dimension, and $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(C, C)$ is a Noetherian S -module for all compact objects C in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$.

Remark 3.2. A ring of cohomology operators for R has been defined previously in [AI07] to be maps $S \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ for all complexes M that satisfy the relations (3.1.1) for all M, N in $\mathbf{D}(R)$. If S is a ring of cohomology operators for R in our sense and M is a complex of R -modules, then by setting $X := iM$ to be a semi-injective resolution of M there is a graded ring map

$$\zeta'_M : S \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}}^*(iM, iM)$$

and this family of maps evidently satisfies the relations 3.1.1. Thus a ring of cohomology operators as defined here is a ring of cohomology operators as defined in [AI07].

In the rest of the section we assume that S is Noetherian, has finite Krull dimension, and is a ring of cohomology operators on R . We set $S^+ = \bigoplus_{i \geq 1} S^i$.

We will need the following result on the structure of a ring with Noetherian cohomology:

3.3. Assume R has Noetherian cohomology over S . Then the following hold:

- (1) R is left-Noetherian;
- (2) $\text{inj dim}_R R < \infty$;
- (3) An R -complex with finite cohomology M has finite projective dimension if and only if $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, M) = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$ if and only if M has finite injective dimension.

This is contained in [AI], where less assumptions are placed on S . For all the rings in Section 5 to which we apply the Theorem, the properties above are well-known.

The following construction was introduced in [BIK08].

3.4. Let s be a homogeneous element of S of degree n and let X be an object of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$. The *Koszul object* of s on X , denoted $X//s$, is the mapping cone of $\zeta_X(s) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(X, \Sigma^n X)$. Thus there is an exact triangle

$$(3.4.1) \quad X \xrightarrow{\zeta_X(s)} \Sigma^n X \rightarrow X//s \rightarrow,$$

and $X//s$ is unique up to isomorphism. For $\mathfrak{s} = s_1, \dots, s_r$ a sequence of homogeneous elements of S , the Koszul object of \mathfrak{s} on X , denoted $X//\mathfrak{s}$, is defined inductively as the Koszul object of s_r on $X//(s_1, \dots, s_{r-1})$.

Let Y be another object of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$. We need the following properties of Koszul objects:

- (1) If X is compact then so is $X//\mathfrak{s}$; this follows by induction and the triangle (3.4.1) above.
- (2) There exists an integer $n \geq 0$, independent of X and Y , such that

$$(\mathfrak{s})^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(Y, X//\mathfrak{s}) = 0 = (\mathfrak{s})^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X//\mathfrak{s}, Y).$$

- (3) If $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X//\mathfrak{s}, Y) = 0$ and the S -module $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, Y)$ is \mathfrak{s} -torsion then

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, Y) = 0.$$

The last two results are contained in [BIK08, 5.11].

The next result shows that every compact object of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ can be cut down to an object with finite projective dimension using the above construction.

Proposition 3.5. *Assume R has Noetherian cohomology over S . Let $\mathfrak{s} = s_1, \dots, s_r$ be a set of generators of the ideal $S^+ = \bigoplus_{i>0} S^i$ and let $iR \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ be an injective resolution of R . For every compact object C of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ the object $C//\mathfrak{s}$ is in $\text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR)$. In particular there is an inclusion of subcategories:*

$$\text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//\mathfrak{s} \mid C \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)^c) \subseteq \text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(iR).$$

Proof. By 3.4(2) there exists $n \geq 1$ such that $(\mathfrak{s})^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(C//\mathfrak{s}, C//\mathfrak{s}) = 0$. Since $C//\mathfrak{s}$ is compact, the S -module $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(C//\mathfrak{s}, C//\mathfrak{s})$ is finitely generated by the definition of Noetherian cohomology. A standard argument now shows that

$$(3.5.1) \quad \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^m(C//\mathfrak{s}, C//\mathfrak{s}) = 0 \text{ for } m \gg 0.$$

Since $C//\mathfrak{s}$ is compact, by 2.6, the complex $C//\mathfrak{s}$ is semi-injective. Thus

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(C//\mathfrak{s}, C//\mathfrak{s}) \cong \text{Ext}_R^*(C//\mathfrak{s}, C//\mathfrak{s}).$$

Now 3.5.1 and 3.3(3) show that $C//\mathfrak{s}$ has finite projective dimension. One checks, by induction on projective dimension for instance, that this implies that $C//\mathfrak{s} \in \text{thick}_{\mathbf{D}(R)}(R)$. Since triangulated functors preserve thick subcategories we have that

$$Q_\rho(C//\mathfrak{s}) \in \text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(Q_\rho R).$$

As semi-injective resolutions are unique in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ and $C//\mathfrak{s}$ and $Q_\rho(C//\mathfrak{s})$ are semi-injective, we have that $Q_\rho(C//\mathfrak{s}) \cong C//\mathfrak{s}$ and $Q_\rho R \cong iR$. Stringing together the above shows that $C//\mathfrak{s}$ is in $\text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR)$. \square

Since every localizing subcategory in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ is thick there is a containment of subcategories $\text{thick}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}(iR) \subseteq \text{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR)$. This immediately implies the following

Corollary 3.6. *Under the assumptions of 3.5, there is an inclusion of subcategories*

$$\text{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//\mathfrak{s} \mid C \in \mathbf{K}^c) \subseteq \text{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR). \quad \square$$

In 4.4 we show that the above is actually an equality.

4. FINITE INJECTIVE DIMENSION

In this section we prove the Theorem in the introduction. To do this we need the following:

Proposition 4.1. *Let R be a left-Noetherian ring which has finite injective dimension as a left R -module and M be an R -complex with $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$. Let iR and iM be semi-injective resolutions of R and M respectively. If iM is in $\text{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR)$, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Proof. The hypotheses guarantee that M has finite Gorenstein injective dimension, i.e. there exists a short exact sequence of complexes

$$0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow (iM)' \xrightarrow{v} T \rightarrow 0$$

where $(iM)'$ is a semi-injective resolution of M , T is an acyclic complex of injective modules, and L is such that $L^n = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$. See Theorem 3.2, and Definitions 2.1 and 2.2 of [AS06]. We have isomorphisms

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(iR, T) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(R)}^*(R, T) \cong H^*(T) = 0.$$

The first is [Kra05, 2.1], the second is clear, and the third is the fact that T is acyclic.

Note that since semi-injective resolutions are unique up to isomorphism in $\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$, we have that $(iM)' \cong iM \in \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(iR)$. Thus we may assume that $iM = (iM)'$.

The class of complexes

$$\{ X \mid \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(X, T) = 0 \text{ is localizing } \}$$

is a localizing subcategory of $\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$. Since iR is in this class so is the subcategory $\mathrm{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(iR)$. In particular $iM \in \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(iR)$, and thus $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}^*(iM, T) = 0$. This shows that the map v above is nullhomotopic. We will show that this forces iM to have an injective cokernel in a high degree.

Since v is nullhomotopic there exists a map $s : iM \rightarrow T$ such that $\partial s + s\partial = v$. Let k be an integer such that $L^n = 0$ for all $n \geq k$, which exists by assumption. Thus v^n is bijective for all $n \geq k$ and we have that $(v^n)^{-1}\partial s + (v^n)^{-1}s\partial = 1_{iM^n}$. One checks that v^{-1} commutes with the differentials in the degrees for which it is defined; this gives

$$\partial(v^{n-1})^{-1}s + (v^{n-1})^{-1}s\partial = 1_{iM^n}.$$

Thus $v^{-1}s$ is a contracting homotopy of 1_{iM} in high degrees. A simple diagram chase now shows that $\mathrm{Im}(\partial^k)$ splits as a submodule of $(iM)^{k+1}$ and hence is injective.

Since v is a bijection in degrees $n \geq k$ and T is acyclic, this implies that $H^n(iM) = 0$ for $n \geq k$. Thus iM has an injective cokernel in a degree higher than its last nonzero cohomology; by [AF91, 2.4.I] this implies that M has finite injective dimension. \square

Theorem 4.2. *Let R be an associative ring and S a Noetherian graded ring of finite Krull dimension. Assume that S is a ring of cohomology operators on R and that R has Noetherian cohomology over S . For an R -complex M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$, if the S -module $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is $S^+ = \bigoplus_{i \geq 1} S^i$ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Proof. Let $X = iM$ be a semi-injective resolution of M . Then

$$\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(X, X).$$

Let \mathfrak{s} be a finite set of generators of the ideal S^+ . By 3.3 R is left-Noetherian and has finite injective dimension over itself. Thus by 4.1 it is enough to show that $iM \in \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(iR)$. Set

$$\mathbb{C} = \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbb{K}}(C//\mathfrak{s} \mid C \in \mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)^c).$$

By Corollary 3.6 it is enough to show that $X \in \mathbb{C}$.

Fix a compact object D . By hypothesis $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(X, X)$ is S^+ -torsion. By the definition of cohomology operators, the action of S on $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, X)$ factors through $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(X, X)$ and hence $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, X)$ is also S^+ -torsion.

Now consider the full subcategory \mathbb{T} of $\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$ with objects those $Z \in \mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$ such that $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Z)$ is S^+ -torsion. It is closed under suspension; given a triangle $Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow W \rightarrow \Sigma Y$ in $\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$ there is an exact sequence of S -modules:

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Y) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Z) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, W).$$

From this we see that if $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Y)$ and $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, W)$ are S^+ -torsion then $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Z)$ is as well. This shows that \mathbb{T} is triangulated. For a family of objects $\{Z_i\}$ in \mathbb{T} , we have that

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, \bigoplus_i Z_i) \cong \bigoplus_i \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, Z_i)$$

since D is compact. Thus \mathbf{T} is closed under direct sums and hence is localizing. By 3.4(2), for every object C the module $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, C//s)$ is S^+ -torsion. Thus

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//s \mid C \in \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)^c) \subseteq \mathbf{T}$$

since \mathbf{T} is localizing and every object $C//s$ is in \mathbf{T} .

Since \mathbf{C} is compactly generated there is a triangle

$$(4.2.1) \quad \Gamma X \rightarrow X \rightarrow \mathrm{LX} \rightarrow$$

with $\Gamma X \in \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathrm{LX} \in \mathbf{C}^\perp$; see 2.7.

We have that $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, \Gamma X)$ is S^+ -torsion since $\Gamma X \in \mathbf{C} \subseteq \mathbf{T}$. We have shown above that $X \in \mathbf{T}$. Thus $\mathrm{LX} \in \mathbf{T}$ since \mathbf{T} is triangulated. By definition this means $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, \mathrm{LX})$ is S^+ -torsion. Since $D//s \in \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathrm{LX} \in \mathbf{C}^\perp$, we have that

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D//s, \mathrm{LX}) = 0.$$

By 3.4(3) this implies that $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(D, \mathrm{LX}) = 0$. Since D was an arbitrary compact object and $\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$ is compactly generated, see 2.3, this shows that $\mathrm{LX} = 0$. By the triangle (4.2.1) we see that $\Gamma X \cong X$ and hence X is an object of $\mathbf{C} = \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//s \mid C \in \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)^c)$. \square

Remark 4.3. The hypothesis that $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$ are necessary. Indeed, from the definition 2.4, one can see that if a complex M has finite injective dimension then $H^n(M) = 0$ for $n \gg 0$.

Corollary 4.4. *Under the assumptions and notation of Theorem 4.2, there is an equality*

$$\mathrm{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//s \mid C \in \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)^c) = \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(iR).$$

Proof. Since the S -module $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(iR, iR) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_R^*(R, R)$ is clearly S^+ -torsion, the proof of Theorem 4.2 above shows that $iR \in \mathrm{loc}_{\mathbf{K}}(C//s \mid C \in \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)^c)$. This gives the opposite inclusion of 3.6 and hence it is equality. \square

Corollary 4.5. *Let R, S and M be as in 4.2. Let s_1, \dots, s_r be a finite set of homogeneous generators of the ideal S^+ . Set*

$$d := \max\{\deg s_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\} \text{ and } l := \mathrm{lcm}\{\deg s_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}.$$

Then $\mathrm{inj} \dim_R M < \infty$ if one of the following holds:

- (1) *there exists an integer $n \geq 0$ such that $\mathrm{Ext}_R^j(M, M) = 0$ for all $n \leq j \leq n + d - 1$; or*
- (2) *there exists an integer $m \geq 0$ such that $\mathrm{Ext}_R^{ml}(M, M) = 0$.*

Proof. Either condition forces the S -module $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ to be S^+ -torsion. Indeed, assume that there exists an integer n such that (1) holds. For every i there exists an integer k_i such that

$$n \leq k_i(\deg s_i) \leq n + d - 1.$$

One way to see this is by induction on n . Consider the ideal $(S^+)^{k_1 + \dots + k_r} = (s_1, \dots, s_r)^{k_1 + \dots + k_r}$ in S . It is generated by monomials in the s_i of the form $s_1^{n_1} \dots s_r^{n_r}$ for positive integers n_i with $\sum n_i = \sum k_i$. For each such monomial there exists an i such that $n_i \geq k_i$, else $\sum n_i < \sum k_i$; applying η_M to the monomial, and using that η_M is a map of rings, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_M(s_1^{n_1} \dots s_r^{n_r}) &= \eta_M(s_1^{n_1}) \dots \eta_M(s_i^{n_i}) \dots \eta_M(s_r^{n_r}) \\ &= \eta_M(s_1^{n_1}) \dots \eta_M(s_i^{k_i}) \eta_M(s_i^{n_i - k_i}) \dots \eta_M(s_r^{n_r}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

since $\eta_M(s_i^{k_i}) \in \mathrm{Ext}_R^{k_i(\deg s_i)}(M, M) = 0$. Thus

$$(S^+)^{k_1 + \dots + k_r} \mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M) = \eta_M((S^+)^{k_1 + \dots + k_r}) \mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M) = 0$$

and hence $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion. By Theorem 4.2 this shows that $\mathrm{inj} \dim_R M < \infty$.

To prove (2) assume that such an m exists. For every $i = 1, \dots, r$, there exists an integer d_i such that $d_i(\deg s_i) = l$. Letting $\alpha = m(\sum_i d_i)$, a similar proof as above shows that $(s_1, \dots, s_r)^\alpha \mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M) = 0$. \square

5. APPLICATIONS

In this section we apply Theorem 4.2 in the two contexts discussed in the introduction.

5.1. Let R be a commutative ring with a presentation

$$R \cong Q/(\mathbf{f}),$$

where Q is a commutative Noetherian regular ring of finite Krull dimension and $(\mathbf{f}) = (f_1, \dots, f_c)$ is a Q -regular sequence.

Let $S = R[\chi_1, \dots, \chi_c]$ be the polynomial ring in c indeterminates over R , graded by setting $|\chi_i| = 2$. For every $X \in \mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$ there is a homomorphism of graded R -algebras

$$\zeta_X : S \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, X).$$

When $X = iM$ is the injective resolution of a finitely generated R -module M , so that

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(X, X) \cong \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M),$$

such a map ζ_X may be constructed as in [Eis80, Section 1] using a free resolution of M . The process described in [Avr89, Section 1], which replaces free resolutions with injective resolutions, generalizes to arbitrary objects of $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$. The results of *loc. cit.* show that the maps ζ_X satisfy the conditions of a ring of cohomology operators.

By [AS98, 5.1] the S -module $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)}^*(iM, iM) \cong \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is finitely generated when M has finite cohomology over R . This was proved first by Gulliksen [Gul74] for modules. It follows 2.6 that R has Noetherian cohomology over S . Restating Theorem 4.2 in this context, we have:

Corollary 5.2. *Let Q be a commutative Noetherian regular ring of finite Krull dimension, $(\mathbf{f}) = (f_1, \dots, f_c)$ a Q -regular sequence and $R = Q/(\mathbf{f})$. For an R -complex M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$, if $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension. \square*

In the notation of Corollary 4.5 we see that $d = 2 = l$. Since R is a Gorenstein ring of finite Krull dimension, a module has finite projective dimension if and only if it has finite injective dimension. This gives:

Corollary 5.3. *If M is an arbitrary R -module such that $\text{Ext}_R^{2n}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$ then M has finite projective dimension. \square*

Remark 5.4. In [AB00, 4.2] the same statement is proved for finitely generated modules of finite complete intersection dimension over a Noetherian ring. All finitely generated modules over the ring R have finite complete intersection dimension. However, complete intersection dimension is not defined for non-finitely generated modules, so we have not generalized completely [AB00, 4.2].

5.5. Let k be a field and R a k -algebra. We set $R^e = R \otimes_k R^{\text{op}}$, where R^{op} is the opposite ring of R . Note that R is naturally a left R^e -module. The *Hochschild cohomology* of R over k is

$$\text{HH}^*(R|k) = \text{Ext}_{R^e}^*(R, R).$$

Hochschild cohomology is a graded-commutative ring under the cup-product [Ger63, Section 7, Corollary 1], where recall that a graded-ring $\mathcal{T} = \bigoplus_i \mathcal{T}_i$ is *graded-commutative* if $rs = (-1)^{|r||s|}sr$ for all homogeneous elements r, s .

Any commutative graded subring S of $\text{HH}^*(R|k)$ is a ring of cohomology operators on R . To see this, let $\gamma : F \rightarrow R$ be a free resolution of R over R^e . Since R^e is a free R -module, γ is a homotopy equivalence of chain complexes over R . Given an element

$$h \in S \subseteq \text{HH}^n(R|k) = \text{Ext}_{R^e}^n(R, R) \cong H^n \text{Hom}_R(F, F),$$

let $\tilde{h} : F \rightarrow \Sigma^n F$ be a morphism of complexes that represents h . For any complex X in $\mathbf{K}(\text{Inj } R)$, we define $\zeta_X(h) : X \rightarrow \Sigma^n X$ as the composition of

$$(5.5.1) \quad X \cong X \otimes_R R \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \gamma^{-1}} X \otimes_R F \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \tilde{h}} X \otimes_R \Sigma^n F \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Sigma^n(\gamma)} X \otimes_R \Sigma^n R \cong \Sigma^n X.$$

One can check that this is independent of the choice of \tilde{h} and makes S into a ring of cohomology operators on R .

The following is a restatement of Theorem 4.2 in this context.

Corollary 5.6. *Let k be a field and R be a k -algebra. Assume there exists a commutative Noetherian graded subring S of $\mathrm{HH}^*(R|k)$ over which R has Noetherian cohomology. For an R -complex M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$, if $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension. \square*

When R is finite dimensional over k , to show that R has Noetherian cohomology it is enough to check one module:

Corollary 5.7. *Let R be a finite dimensional k -algebra and S a graded Noetherian subring of $\mathrm{HH}^*(R|k)$. Let \mathfrak{t} be the Jacobson radical of R , and assume that $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(R/\mathfrak{t}, R/\mathfrak{t})$ is a finitely generated S -module via $\zeta_{R/\mathfrak{t}}$. For an R -complex M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$, if $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Proof. Since $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(R/\mathfrak{t}, R/\mathfrak{t})$ is a Noetherian S -module via $\zeta_{R/\mathfrak{t}}$,

$$\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, M) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)}^*(iM, iM)$$

is a Noetherian S -module via ζ_M for all M with finite cohomology by [Sol06, 10.3]. By the description of the compact objects of $\mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$, see 2.6, R has Noetherian cohomology over S and Theorem 5.6 applies. \square

The following result generalizes [EHT⁺04, 2.5.b] from finitely generated to arbitrary modules.

Corollary 5.8. *Let R be as above and M an R -module. There exists an integer $l \geq 1$ such that if $\mathrm{Ext}_R^{nl}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$ then M has finite projective dimension.*

Proof. The first statement follows from Corollary 4.5.(2). For the second, by [EHT⁺04, Theorem 2.5.a] R is self-injective. Thus a module has finite projective dimension if and only if it has finite injective dimension. \square

The following is one more context in which the Theorem applies.

5.9. Let R be a Hopf algebra over a field k . For two R -modules M, N we view $M \otimes_k N$ as an R -module via the diagonal map $\Delta : R \rightarrow R \otimes_k R$. When M, N are injective then so is $M \otimes_k N$. For $X \in \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$ the functor $- \otimes_k X$ preserves homotopies of maps. Thus there is a functor $- \otimes_k X : \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(\mathrm{Inj} R)$. Viewing k as an R -module via the augmentation there is an isomorphism

$$\varphi_X : ik \otimes_k X \xrightarrow{\cong} X,$$

see [BK08, 5.3] which proof holds in our more general situation. Thus for each X one gets a map

$$\eta_X : \mathrm{Hom}_k^*(ik, ik) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_k^*(X, X)$$

which sends $\alpha : ik \rightarrow \Sigma^n ik$ to

$$\varphi_{\Sigma^n X}(\alpha \otimes_k X)(\varphi_X)^{-1} : X \rightarrow \Sigma^n X.$$

One can check that η_X is a ring map. Let S be the ring $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(k, k) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_k^*(ik, ik)$. By [ML63, (VIII.4.7), (VIII.4.3)] the ring S is graded-commutative and the maps η_X satisfy the commutativity relations (3.1.1). Thus setting

$$S^{\mathrm{even}} := \begin{cases} \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \mathrm{Ext}_R^{2i}(k, k) & \text{if } \mathrm{char} k \neq 2 \\ \mathrm{Ext}_R^*(k, k) & \text{if } \mathrm{char} k = 2 \end{cases}$$

we see that S^{even} is commutative and is a ring of cohomology operators on R .

By the main result of [FS97], when R is cocommutative and finite dimensional over k , the ring S is Noetherian and $\mathrm{Ext}_R^*(M, N)$ is a Noetherian S -module (via η_M , or equivalently, η_N) for all

complexes M, N with finite cohomology. The ideal of odd degree elements in S is nilpotent when $\text{char } k \neq 2$. Thus when R is a cocommutative finite dimensional Hopf algebra it has Noetherian cohomology over S^{even} .

Specializing Theorem 4.2 and Corollary 4.5 to this context, and using that R is self-injective, we have:

Corollary 5.10. *Let R be a finite dimensional cocommutative Hopf algebra and S^{even} the commutative ring defined as above. For an R -complex M with $H^n(M) = 0$ for all $n \gg 0$, if $\text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ is S^+ -torsion, then M has finite injective dimension.*

Corollary 5.11. *Let R be as above and M an R -module. There exists an integer l such that if $\text{Ext}_R^{nl}(M, M) = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$ then M has finite projective dimension.*

Remark 5.12. There is a map $S = \text{Ext}_R^*(k, k) \rightarrow \text{HH}^*(R|k)$ by which $\eta_M : S \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$ factors through $\zeta_M : \text{HH}^*(R|k) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^*(M, M)$. Using this one could apply the previous subsection to the case of a cocommutative Hopf algebra. However due to the different module structures involved, verifying this commutativity is delicate and thus we have opted for a more direct approach. See [PW09, Appendix] for more details on this issue.

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