

## THE SET OF ATTACHED PRIME IDEALS OF LOCAL COHOMOLOGY

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**Abstract.** In [2, 7.3.2], the set of attached prime ideals of local cohomology module  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(M)$  were calculated, where  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be Noetherian local ring,  $M$  finite  $A$ -module and  $\dim_A(M) = n$ , and also in the special case in which furthermore  $A$  is a homomorphic image of a Gornestien local ring  $(A', \mathfrak{m}')$  (see [2, 11.3.6]). In this paper, we shall obtain this set, by another way in this special case.

Throught this paper,  $A$  denotes a (non-trival) commutative Noetherian ring with identity. We use  $\mathbb{N}$  (resp.  $\mathbb{N}_0$ ) to denote the set of positive (resp. non-negative) integers.

**DEFINITION 1.** Let  $M \neq 0$  be a finite  $A$ -module. Then  $\text{grade}_A(M) = \min\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_A^i(M, A) \neq 0\}$  (the  $\text{grade}_A(M)$  of the zero submodule is infinity). (see [3, 1.2.5]). It follows from [3, 1.2.10(e)] that  $\text{grade}_A(M) = \text{grade}(\text{Ann}_A(M), A)$ .

**COROLLARY 2.** Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a cohen-Macaulay local ring, and  $M \neq 0$  a finite  $A$ -module. Then  $\dim_A(M) = \dim A - \text{grade}_A(M)$ .

*Proof.* By [4, 17.4], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \dim A &= \text{height}(\text{Ann}_A(M)) + \dim \frac{A}{\text{Ann}_A(M)} \\ &= \text{grade}_A(M) + \dim \frac{A}{\text{Ann}_A(M)} \\ &= \text{grade}_A(M) + \dim_A(M) \end{aligned}$$

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PROPOSITION 3. (See [3, 1.2.4]). Let  $M, N$  be  $A$ -modules, and  $\underline{x} = x_1, \dots, x_n$  a weak  $M$ -sequence in  $\text{Ann}_A(N)$ . Then

$$\text{Ext}_A^n(N, M) \simeq \text{Hom}_A(N, \frac{M}{\underline{x}M}).$$

PROPOSITION 4. (See [2, 11.2.6]) Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Noetherian local ring which is a homomorphic image of a Gorenstein local ring  $(A', \mathfrak{m}')$  of dimension  $n'$ . Let  $f : A' \rightarrow A$  be a surjective homomorphism. Set  $E := E_A(\frac{A}{\mathfrak{m}})$  and  $D := \text{Hom}_A(-, E)$ . Then for each finite  $A$ -module  $M$

$$H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(M) \simeq D(\text{Ext}_{A'}^{n'-i}(M, A')) \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

PROPOSITION 5. Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  a local ring which is a homomorphic image of a Goerenstein local ring  $(A', \mathfrak{m}')$  of dimension  $n'$ , and  $M$  finite  $A$ -module. Then  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M) \neq 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $s' = \text{grade}_{A'}(M)$ . Then  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M) = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_{A'}(M)}(M) = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{n'-s'}(M)$ . Suppose that  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M) = 0$ . Then by proposition 4,  $D(\text{Ext}_{A'}^{s'}(M, A')) = 0$ . It follows that  $\text{Ext}_{A'}^{s'}(M, A') = 0$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M) \neq 0$ .

PROPOSITION 6.. (See [2, Corollary 10.2.20]) Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring (but not necessarily complete). Let  $M$  be a Noetherian  $A$ -module. Then  $\text{Att}_A(D(M)) = \text{Ass}_A(M)$ , where for any  $A$ -module  $N$ ,  $\text{Att}_A(N)$  is the set of attached prime ideals of  $N$ .

PROPOSITION 7. (See [1, Ch. IV, Sec.1, Prop.10].) Let  $M$  be a finite  $A$ -module and  $N$  an  $A$ -module. Then

$$\text{Ass}_A(\text{Hom}_A(M, N)) = \text{Supp}_A(M) \cap \text{Ass}_A(N).$$

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a surjective homomorphism of Noetherian rings and  $L$  be a finite  $A$ -module. Let for each  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$  ideal  $\mathfrak{p}B$  be the extension ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  to  $B$ . Then  $\text{Ass}_B(M) = \{\mathfrak{p}B : \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Ass}_A(L)\}$  (see [4, Ex. 6.7]).

The main purpose of this note is proved in the following theorem.

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring which is a homomorphic image of a Gorenstien local ring  $(A', \mathfrak{m}')$  of dimension  $n'$  and  $M \neq 0$  a finite  $A$ -module. Let  $f : A' \rightarrow A$  be a surjective homomorphism. Then  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M) \neq 0$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Att}_A(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M)) &= \left\{ \mathfrak{p}'A : \mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Supp}_{A'}(M) \cap \text{Ass}_{A'}\left(\frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'}\right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Ass}_A(M) : \dim \frac{A}{\mathfrak{p}} = \dim_A(M) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $s' = \text{grade}_{A'}(M)$  and  $x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'}$  is a maximal  $A'$ -sequence in  $\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)$  and  $\text{Att}_A(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M))$  is independent of the choice of maximal  $A'$ -sequence in  $\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)$ .

*Proof.* By Definition 1 and Proposition 3, there is a maximal  $A'$ -sequence  $x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'}$  in  $\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)$  such that  $0 \neq \text{Ext}_{A'}^{s'}(M, A') \simeq \text{Hom}_{A'}(M, \frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'})$ . By Proposition 4, we have  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{n'-s'}(M) = D(\text{Ext}_{A'}^{s'}(M, A'))$ .

Now, from proposition 6 and proposition 7, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Att}_A(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_A(M)}(M)) &= \text{Att}_A(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim_{A'}(M)}(M)) \\ &= \text{Att}_A(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{n'-s'}(M)) = \text{Ass}_A(\text{Ext}_{A'}^{s'}(M, A')) \\ &= \text{Ass}_A\left(\text{Hom}_{A'}(M, \frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'})\right) \\ &= \left\{ \mathfrak{p}'A : \mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Ass}_{A'}\left(\text{Hom}_{A'}(M, \frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'})\right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \mathfrak{p}'A : \mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Supp}_{A'}(M) \cap \text{Ass}_{A'}\left(\frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, in view of [4, 17.3],  $\mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Supp}_{A'}(M) \cap \text{Ass}_{A'}\left(\frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'}\right)$  if only if  $\text{grade}(\mathfrak{p}', A') = s'$  and  $\text{Ann}_{A'}(M) \subseteq \mathfrak{p}'$ , and by [4, 17.4], if only if  $\text{ht}(\mathfrak{p}') = \text{ht}(\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)) = s'$  and  $\text{Ann}_{A'}(M) \subseteq \mathfrak{p}'$ , and so by [4, 17.4] if only if  $\dim(A') - \dim(\frac{A'}{\mathfrak{p}'}) = \dim A' - \dim\left(\frac{A'}{\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)}\right)$

and  $\mathfrak{p}'$  is minimal element of  $\text{Supp}_{A'}(M)$ , and if only if  $\dim(\frac{A'}{\mathfrak{p}'}) = \dim(\frac{A'}{\text{Ann}_{A'}(M)})$  and  $\mathfrak{p}'$  is minimal element of  $\text{Ass}_{A'}(M)$ .

Since  $\dim(\frac{A'}{\mathfrak{p}'}) = \dim(\frac{A}{\mathfrak{p}'A})$ ,  $\dim_{A'}(M) = \dim_A(M)$  and  $\mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Ass}_{A'}(M)$  if only if  $\mathfrak{p}'A \in \text{Ass}_A(M)$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Att}_A(H_m^{\dim_A(M)}(M)) \\ &= \left\{ \mathfrak{p}A' : \mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Supp}_{A'}(M) \cap \text{Ass}_{A'} \left( \frac{A'}{(x'_1, \dots, x'_{s'})A'} \right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \mathfrak{q} \in \text{Ass}_A(M) : \dim \frac{A}{\mathfrak{q}} = \dim_A(M) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

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