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SOME NOTES ABOUT CI-REGULAR LOCAL RINGS

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ABSTRACT

Let (R, \mathfrak{m}, k) be a commutative Noetherian local ring. In this paper, we define CI-regular local rings and we will study some of their properties. Also, we will characterize regular local rings.

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INTRODUCTION

Prerequisites

Throughout this paper, (R, \mathfrak{m}) is a local ring and all rings are commutative and Noetherian with identity. The projective dimension is a familiar and famous numerical invariant in the classical homological algebra. One of the fascinating theorems which is related to this dimension, is Auslander-Buchsbaum-Serre Theorem ((Auslander *et al.*, 1956) and (Serre, 1956)) which asserts that R is a regular ring if every finitely generated R -modules has finite projective dimension. Motivated by this, Auslander and Bridger (Auslander *et al.*, 1969), introduced the Gorenstein dimension (abbr. G-dimension) for any finitely generated R -modules and they proved that R is Gorenstein when every finitely generated R -module has finite G-dimension.

The G-dimension has a very essential role for studying Gorenstein homological algebra and it was studied in more details in (Auslander *et al.*, 1969) and (Enochs *et al.*, 2000). Let us recall the definition of G-dimension. Let M be a nonzero finitely generated R -module. The G-dimension of M is zero, $Gdim_R M = 0$, if and only if the natural homomorphism $M \rightarrow Hom_R(Hom_R(M, R), R)$ is an isomorphism and $Ext_R^i(M, R) = 0 = Ext_R^i(Hom_R(M, R), R)$ for any $i > 0$. We set $Gdim_R 0 = -\infty$. Also, for an integer n , $Gdim_R M \leq n$ if and only if there is an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow X_n \rightarrow X_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$

of R -modules such that $Gdim_R X_i = 0$ for any $0 \leq i \leq n$. More recently, Avramov, Gasharov and Peeva (Avramov *et al.*, 1997) introduced the concept of complete intersection dimension for finitely generated R -modules as a generalization of projective dimension. They proved that R is complete intersection when every finitely generated R -module has finite complete intersection dimension. For defining complete intersection dimension, we need the definition of quasi-deformation of R . A quasi-deformation of R is a diagram of local ring homomorphisms $R \rightarrow R \leftarrow Q$ such that $R \rightarrow R$ is faithfully flat and $R \leftarrow Q$ is surjective with the kernel which is generated by a Q -regular sequence.

The complete intersection dimension of a finitely generated R -module M , $CIdim_R M$ is defined as follow:

$$CIdim_R M = \inf \{ pd_Q M \otimes_R R \mid R \leftarrow Q \text{ is a quasi-deformation} \}.$$

These homological dimensions satisfy in the following inequalities

$$Gdim_R M \leq CIdim_R M \leq pd_R M \tag{1}$$

with equality to the left of any finite quantity, see (Avramov *et al.*, 1997).

We denote the category of finitely generated R -modules by $\text{mod}(R)$, the subcategory of $\text{mod}(R)$ consisting of all free R -modules by $F(R)$, the subcategory of $\text{mod}(R)$ consisting of zero module and all R -modules M such that $Gdim_R M = 0$ (resp.

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$\text{Clidim}_R M = 0$) by $G(R)$ (resp. $\text{CI}(R)$). By using (1), we have the following inclusion relations between the subcategories of $\text{mod}(R)$ $F R$ $\text{CI} R$ $G R$.

Takahashi (Takahashi, 2008) defined R to be G -regular if $G(R)=F(R)$. We define R to be CI -regular if $\text{CI}(R)=F(R)$. In this paper, we study some properties for CI -regular local rings and we will show that if ${}^m R$ is a CI -regular ring, then R is a CI -regular ring too. Also, we will prove that R is regular if and only if R is complete intersection and CI -regular.

RESULTS

We start this section by the following definition.

Definition 1. We say that a local ring (R, m) is CI -regular if $\text{CI}(R)$ coincides with $F(R)$.

Lemma 2. Let (R, m) be a local ring and M be a finitely generated R -module.

For a faithfully flat local ring homomorphism $R \rightarrow S$, there is an inequality

$$\text{Clidim}_R M \leq \text{Clidim}_S (M \otimes_R S)$$

with equality when $\text{Clidim}_S (M \otimes_R S)$ is finite.

Let $f: Q \rightarrow R$ be a surjective local ring homomorphism with kernel generated by Q -regular sequence $x = x_1, \dots, x_n$. Then

$$\text{Clidim}_R M \leq \text{Clidim}_Q M - n$$

When $xM=0$ and also if $x = x_1, \dots, x_n$ is an M -regular sequence, then

$$\text{Clidim}_R \frac{M}{xM} = \text{Clidim}_Q M,$$

with equality when $\text{Clidim}_Q M$ is finite.

Let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of R and ${}^{\mathfrak{a}}R$ be the \mathfrak{a} -adic completion of R . Then

$$\text{Clidim}_R M = \text{Clidim}_{{}^{\mathfrak{a}}R} (M \otimes_R {}^{\mathfrak{a}}R).$$

If $\text{Clidim}_R M$ is finite, then $\text{Clidim}_R M = \text{dept}_{\mathfrak{a}} R - \text{dept}_{\mathfrak{a}} M$.

Proof. See (Avramov et al, 1997).

Lemma 3. Let (R, m) be a local ring and ${}^m R$ the m -adic completion of R . If ${}^m R$ is a CI -regular ring, then R is a CI -regular ring too.

Proof. Let M be a finitely generated R -module such that $\text{Clidim}_R M = 0$. Then $M \otimes_R {}^m R$ is a finitely generated ${}^m R$ -module and $\text{Clidim}_R M = \text{Clidim}_{{}^m R} (M \otimes_R {}^m R)$ by Lemma 2(3). Since ${}^m R$ is CI -regular ring, then $M \otimes_R {}^m R$ is a free ${}^m R$ -module. Then M is a free R -module by (Avramov, 1965).

Lemma 4. Let (R, m) be a local ring and $x = x_1, \dots, x_n$ an R -sequence. If $\frac{R}{xR}$ is a CI -regular ring, then R is CI -regular ring, too.

Proof. By induction it is enough to consider the case in which x consists of a single R -regular element x . Let M be a finitely generated R -module such that $\text{Clidim}_R M = 0$. Since $G\text{dim}_R M = 0$, then x is an M -regular element by (Christensen, 2010). Then $\text{Clidim}_R \frac{M}{xM} = 0$ by Lemma 2(2) and so $\frac{M}{xM}$ is a free

$\frac{R}{xR}$ -module by the assumption. So M is a free R -module by (Bruns et al, 1993).

Note that the converse of the above Lemma is not necessary correct in general.

Example 5. Let $R = K[[x]]$, where K is a field. So R is a regular ring and then it is CI -regular. But $S := \frac{R}{x^2R}$ is not CI -regular ring. Because $\text{Clidim}_S K$ is finite by (Avramov et al, 1997) while $\text{pd}_S K$ is infinite.

Remark 6. Let $f: R \rightarrow S$ be a local ring homomorphism and R is a CI -regular. If $\text{fd}_R f$ is finite, then may be S is not CI -regular ring. Assume that $R = K[[x]]$, where K is a field and $S := \frac{R}{x^2R}$. Let $f: R \rightarrow S$ be the natural local ring homomorphism. Then Example 5 shows that S is not CI -regular while R is a CI -regular ring.

Proposition 7. Let (R, m) be a local ring. If R is CI -regular ring, then the formal power series ring $R[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ is CI -regular ring.

Proof. Since $R \rightarrow \frac{R[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]}{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}$, the assertion follows from Lemma 4.

Lemma 8. Let (R, m) be a local ring. Then R is CI -regular if and only if $\text{Clidim}_R M = \text{pd}_R M$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let M be a finitely generated R -module. It suffices to show that $\text{Clidim}_R M = \text{pd}_R M$. Without loss of generality, we assume that $\text{Clidim}_R M$ is finite. Set $n := \text{Clidim}_R M$. By (Wagstaff, 2004), there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow X_n \rightarrow X_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0,$$

such that $\text{Clidim}_R X_i = 0$ for any $0 \leq i \leq n$ and so by the assumption, X_i is projective for any $0 \leq i \leq n$ which implies that $\text{pd}_R M = n$.

(\Leftarrow) is trivial.

Next, we present a criterion for specification regular local rings.

Theorem 9. Let (R, m, k) be a local ring. The following are equivalent:

R is regular,

R is complete intersection and CI -regular.

Proof. (i \Rightarrow ii) By (Bruns et al, 1993), R is complete intersection and for any finitely generated R -module M , $\text{pd}_R M$ is finite, and so by (Avramov et al, 1997), $\text{pd}_R M = \text{Clidim}_R M$ which implies that R is CI -regular by Lemma 8.

(ii \Rightarrow i) By (Avramov et al, 1997) and Lemma 8, $\text{pd}_R k$ is finite, and so R is regular by (Bruns et al, 1993).

Definition 10. Let (R, m) be a local ring. The global CI -dimension of R is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{glCI} - \text{dim}(R) &= \sup \{ \text{Clidim}_R M \mid M \text{ is finitely generated } R \\ &\text{- module} \} \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 11. Let (R, m, k) be a Noetherian local ring. If $\text{glCI} - \text{dim}(R)$ is finite, then $\text{glCI} - \text{dim} R = \text{Clidim}_R k$.

Proof. It is clear that $\text{Cldim}_R k = \text{glCI} - \dim(R)$. Since $\text{glCI} - \dim(R)$ is finite, then $\text{Cldim}_R M$ is finite for any finitely generated R -modules M . So $\text{Cldim}_R M = \text{depth } R$ by Lemma 2 (4). As $\text{depth } R = \text{Cldim}_R k$, the assertion is followed.

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