

## Some Homological Properties of Artinian Modules\*

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**Abstract.** In this paper we show that if  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  is a commutative Gorenstein local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $M$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module, then  $\text{depth}(R) = \text{Width}(M) + \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0\}$ . Also, we prove that the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $R$  is Gorenstein.
- (2)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and for any Artinian module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) \leq \text{fd}(M)$ , where  $E(M)$  is an injective envelope of  $M$ .
- (3)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and for any finite length module  $M$  of finite injective dimension,  $\text{id}(F(M)) = \text{id}(M)$ , where  $F(M)$  is a flat cover of  $M$ .

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $R$  be a commutative Noetherian ring with non-zero identity and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Auslander and Bridger [1] introduced a notion of Gorenstein dimension, denoted by  $\text{G-dim}$ , of finitely generated modules over the Cohen-Macaulay rings. It seems appropriate to call  $\text{G-dim } 0$  modules Gorenstein projective. As

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a dual of Gorenstein projective modules, Enochs and Jenda [6] defined and studied Gorenstein injective modules. Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is Gorenstein injective if and only if there is an exact sequence

$$\dots \longrightarrow E_1 \longrightarrow E_0 \longrightarrow E^0 \longrightarrow E^1 \longrightarrow \dots$$

of injective  $R$ -modules with  $M = \text{Ker}(E^0 \longrightarrow E^1)$  such that for any injective  $R$ -module  $E$ ,  $\text{Hom}_R(E, -)$  leaves the above complex exact. We say that an  $R$ -module  $M$  has Gorenstein injective dimension at most  $n$ , denoted by  $\text{Gid}(M) \leq n$ , if there is an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow G^0 \longrightarrow G^1 \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow G^n \longrightarrow 0$$

of  $R$ -modules with each  $G^i$  Gorenstein injective. If there is no shorter sequence like the one mentioned above, we set  $\text{Gid}(M) = n$ . Also, if there is no such an  $n$ , we set  $\text{Gid}(M) = \infty$ . Enochs and Jenda [7] call  $M$  an  $h$ -divisible  $R$ -module when  $M$  is a homomorphic image of an injective  $R$ -module and also they call  $M$  an Ext-finite  $R$ -module if for any finitely generated  $R$ -module  $N$ , each  $\text{Ext}_R^i(N, M)$  is finitely generated for all  $i \geq 1$ . For a local ring  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$ , they also defined  $k$ -depth of an Ext-finite  $R$ -module  $M$  as  $k\text{-depth} = \inf\{i : \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}$ . Ooishi [10], defined width of an Artinian  $R$ -module as  $\text{Width}(M) = \inf\{i : \text{Tor}_i^R(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}$ , when  $R$  is a local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Auslander and Bridger in [1] proved that if  $R$  is a Gorenstein local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $M$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, then

$$\text{depth}(R) = \text{depth}(M) + \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(M, R) \neq 0\}.$$

Later, Enochs and Jenda in [7] proved the following result, which is a dual of Auslander and Bridger formula. Let  $R$  be a complete Cohen-Macaulay local ring and  $M$  be a non-injective Ext-finite  $R$ -module such that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E, M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  and all indecomposable injective  $R$ -module  $E \neq E(R/\mathfrak{m})$ . If  $M$  is an  $h$ -divisible  $R$ -module of finite Gorenstein injective dimension, then

$$\text{depth}(R) = \text{Gid}(M) + \inf\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Tor}_i^R(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}.$$

Here, we show that if  $M$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module, then the above formula is true and also, if  $R$  is a Gorenstein local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $M$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module, then  $\text{depth}(R) = \text{Width}(M) + \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0\}$ , (see Theorem 2.4). As a consequence, if  $M$  is a non-zero finitely generated maximal Cohen-Macaulay  $R$ -module of finite injective dimension, then the local cohomology module  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\dim(R)}(M)$  is an injective  $R$ -module (see Corollary 2.6).

Xu in [14] showed that  $R$  is Gorenstein if and only if for any finitely generated module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) \leq \text{fd}(M)$ . Also, he proved that  $R$  is Gorenstein if and only if  $\text{id}(F(M)) \leq \text{id}(M)$  for any module  $M$  of finite injective dimension. Here, we prove that if  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and  $M$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module then the above results are true, too.

Throughout this paper,  $R$  is a commutative Noetherian ring with non-zero identity. For any  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(M)$  stands for the flat dimension of  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\text{id}(M)$  stands for the injective dimension of  $M$ ,  $E(M)$  stands for its injective envelope,  $F(M)$  stands for its flat cover, and  $J(R)$  stands for its Jacobson radical of  $R$ . For any unexplained notation or terminology, we refer the reader to [2, 8, 15].

## 2. The Results

We start this section with the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** (Nakayama's Lemma) *Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be an ideal of  $R$  and  $M$  be an Artinian  $R$ -module such that  $0 :_M \mathfrak{a} = 0$ . If  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq J(R)$ , then  $M = 0$ .*

*Proof.* See [9, § 4]. ■

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring, and  $M$  be a non-zero, Artinian  $R$ -module. Then*

- (a)  $\text{id}(M) = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}$ .
- (b)  $\text{fd}(M) = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Tor}_i^R(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}$ .

*Proof.* (a) We can assume that the right-hand side of the above equality is finite. Thus there is an integer  $n$  such that  $\text{Ext}_R^n(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) = 0$  for all  $i > n$  and so  $\text{id}(M) \geq n$ . Let  $\text{id}(M) > n$ . Then  $X = \{\mathfrak{a}, \text{ an ideal of } R : \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) \neq 0 \text{ for some } i > n\}$  is non-empty. Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be a maximal element of  $X$  and thus by assumption  $\mathfrak{a} \neq \mathfrak{m}$ . Therefore there exists  $x \in \mathfrak{m} \setminus \mathfrak{a}$ . From the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow R/(\mathfrak{a} : x) \xrightarrow{x} R/\mathfrak{a} \rightarrow R/(\mathfrak{a}, x) \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_R^i(R/(\mathfrak{a}, x), M) &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) \xrightarrow{x} \text{Ext}_R^i(R/(\mathfrak{a} : x), M) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(R/(\mathfrak{a}, x), M). \end{aligned}$$

This gives  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) \neq 0$  for some  $i > n$  and since  $\mathfrak{a} \subsetneq (\mathfrak{a}, x)$  we have  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/(\mathfrak{a}, x), M) = 0$ . Therefore  $(0 :_{\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)} x) = 0$  and the Nakayama Lemma yields that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) = 0$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore the set  $X = \emptyset$  and we must have  $\text{id}(M) = n$ .

(b) By making straightforward modification to the arguments in the proof of (a), one can obtain (b). ■

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring, and  $M$  be a non-zero, Artinian  $R$ -module. Then the following are true:*

- (1) *If  $M$  is of finite injective dimension, then  $\text{id}(M) \leq \text{depth}(R)$ ,*
- (2) *If  $M$  is of infinite injective dimension, then  $\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0$  for all  $i \geq \text{dim}(R)$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathfrak{m}$  be a maximal regular sequence for  $R$ . Then  $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Ass}_R(R/(x_1, \dots, x_n))$  and hence  $R/\mathfrak{m} \subseteq R/(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . Thus we have the exact sequence

$$\text{Ext}_R^t(R/(x_1, \dots, x_n), M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^t(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $t = \text{id}(M)$ . Therefore by Lemma 2.2,  $\text{Ext}_R^t(R/(x_1, \dots, x_n), M) \neq 0$ . Therefore  $n \geq t$ , since  $\text{pd}(R/(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = n$ .

(2) It is clear. ■

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Gorenstein local ring of dimension  $n$ , and  $M$  be a non-zero, Artinian  $R$ -module. Then*

$$\text{depth}(R) = \text{Width}(M) + \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\text{Width}(M) = t$ . Then we proceed by induction on  $t$ . Suppose  $t = 0$ . Then there exists an exact sequence  $M \longrightarrow R/\mathfrak{m} \longrightarrow 0$  (see [10, Proposition 3.5]) and since  $\text{fd}(E(R/\mathfrak{m})) = n = \text{pd}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  by [5, Corollary 3.3], it therefore follows that the induced map

$$\text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), R/\mathfrak{m})$$

is an epimorphism. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), R/\mathfrak{m}) &\cong \text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), \text{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{m}, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(\text{Tor}_n^R(R/\mathfrak{m}, E(R/\mathfrak{m})), E(R/\mathfrak{m})). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by Lemma 2.2,  $\text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), R/\mathfrak{m})$  is non-zero, and hence  $\text{Ext}_R^n(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0$ , which gives us our desired result when  $t = 0$ . Suppose the theorem is true for  $0 \leq t < s$  and suppose  $\text{Width}(M) = s$ . Let  $x \in \mathfrak{m}$  be a coregular sequence for  $M$ . Then we know that the  $\text{Width}(0 :_M x) = s - 1$  (see [10, Proposition 3.15]). Therefore we know by induction hypothesis that  $\text{Ext}_R^{n-s+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) \neq 0$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^j(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) = 0$  for all  $j > n - s + 1$ . From the long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \dots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) &\xrightarrow{x} \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \\ &\longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) \longrightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

derived from the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow (0 :_M x) \longrightarrow M \xrightarrow{x} M \longrightarrow 0,$$

it follows that

$$\text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \xrightarrow{x} \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M)$$

is an epimorphism for all  $i \geq n - s + 1$ . Since  $x \in \mathfrak{m}$  and the  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M)$  are finitely generated  $\hat{R}$ -modules by [3, Proposition 9], it follows from Nakayama's Lemma that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq n - s + 1$ . On the other hand, it follows now that the map

$$\text{Ext}_R^{n-s}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^{n-s+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x))$$

is an epimorphism. Since  $\text{Ext}_R^{n-s+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) \neq 0$ , we know that  $\text{Ext}_R^{n-s}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0$ , which establishes the theorem for  $t = s$  and thus completes the proof of the theorem. ■

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Gorenstein local ring of dimension  $n$ , and  $M$  be a non-zero, Artinian  $R$ -module of finite injective dimension. Then*

$$\text{depth}(R) = \text{Width}(M) + \text{id}(M).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\text{id}(M) = s$ . From the long exact sequence

$$\dots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(N, M) \longrightarrow \dots$$

derived from the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow R/\mathfrak{m} \longrightarrow E(R/\mathfrak{m}) \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0,$$

it follows that  $\text{Ext}_R^s(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0$  by Lemma 2.2. Hence we conclude that  $\text{id}(M) = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \neq 0\}$  and so by Theorem 2.4 the result follows. ■

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Gorenstein local ring of dimension  $n$ , and  $M$  be a non-zero finitely generated maximal Cohen-Macaulay  $R$ -module of finite injective dimension. Then the local cohomology module  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(M)$  is an injective  $R$ -module.*

*Proof.* Consider the Grothendieck spectral sequence [11, Theorem 11.38]

$$E_2^{i,j} := \text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, H_{\mathfrak{m}}^j(M)) \underset{i}{\implies} \text{Ext}_R^{i+j}(R/\mathfrak{m}, M). \quad (1)$$

Since  $\text{depth}(M) = \dim(R)$  and  $\text{id}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ , it follows by (1) that

$$\text{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{m}, H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(M)) = \text{Ext}_R^{i+n}(R/\mathfrak{m}, M).$$

By Lemma 2.2, it therefore follows that  $\text{id}(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(M)) < \infty$ . Now, by using [13, Proposition 2.6] and Corollary 2.5, the result follows. ■

**Theorem 2.7.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is Gorenstein.
- (2) For any finitely generated module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) \leq \text{fd}(M)$ .
- (3) For any module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) \leq \text{fd}(M)$ .

(4)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and for any Artinian module  $M$ ,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) \leq \text{fd}(M)$ .

*Proof.* The implications (1)  $\iff$  (2)  $\iff$  (3) follow from [14, Theorem 2.3]. (1)  $\implies$  (4) is clear.

(4)  $\implies$  (1). We can assume that  $R$  is local with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Now, consider a maximal regular sequence  $x_1, \dots, x_t \in \mathfrak{m}$ . Then  $M = R/(x_1, \dots, x_t)$  is Artinian of finite flat dimension. On the other hand,  $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Ass}_R(M)$  and so  $R/\mathfrak{m} \subseteq M$ . This implies that  $E(R/\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq E(M)$  and that by assumption  $\text{fd}(E(R/\mathfrak{m})) < \infty$ , because it is a direct summand of  $E(M)$ . Hence  $R$  is Gorenstein by [14, Proposition 2.1].  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring. Then the following results are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is Gorenstein.
- (2)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and for any Artinian module  $M$  of finite flat dimension,  $\text{fd}(E(M)) = \text{fd}(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\implies$  (2). Since  $M$  is Artinian,  $E(M) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^t E(R/\mathfrak{m})$ . By [5, Corollary 3.3],  $\text{fd}(E(M)) = \dim(R)$ . Then by the assumption, [8, Theorem 9.1.10], and Theorem 2.7 the result follows.

(2)  $\implies$  (1). By similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 2.7 ((4)  $\implies$  (1)), we get the desired result.  $\blacksquare$

From Corollary 2.8, we have immediately the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a regular local ring and  $M$  be an Artinian  $R$ -module. Then  $\text{fd}(E(M)) = \text{fd}(M)$ .*

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is Gorenstein.
- (2) For any module  $M$  of finite injective dimension,  $\text{id}(F(M)) \leq \text{id}(M)$ , here  $F(M)$  is the flat cover of  $M$ .
- (3)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay and for any finite length module  $M$  of finite injective dimension,  $\text{id}(F(M)) = \text{id}(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\iff$  (2) follows from [14, Theorem 3.4].

(2)  $\implies$  (3). It is clear that  $\text{id}(F(M)) \leq \text{id}(M)$ . On the other hand,  $\text{id}(M) \leq \dim(R)$ , since  $R$  is Gorenstein. Next,  $\text{id}(F(M)) = \text{fd}(\text{Hom}_R(F(M), E(R/\mathfrak{m}))) = \text{fd}(E(R/\mathfrak{m})) = \dim(R)$ , since  $E(R/\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(F(M), E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$ . It therefore follows that  $\text{id}(M) = \text{id}(F(M))$ .

(3)  $\implies$  (1). Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathfrak{m}$  be a maximal regular sequence on  $R$ . Then,  $M = R/(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a finite length module of finite flat dimension and so  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is a finite length module of finite injective dimension. By the assumption, its flat cover  $F$  has finite injective dimension. It follows that  $E(R/\mathfrak{m})$  has finite flat dimension, since  $E(R/\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(F, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(F, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  has finite flat dimension. Hence, by [14, Proposition 2.1],  $R$  is Gorenstein.  $\blacksquare$

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring and  $M$  be a non-zero, Artinian Gorenstein injective  $R$ -module. Then  $\text{Width}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ .*

*Proof.* We proceed by induction on  $n = \text{depth}(R)$ . If  $n = 0$ , then the maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  is nilpotent. Hence  $M/\mathfrak{m}M \neq 0$  and so  $\text{Width}(M) = 0$ . Let  $n \geq 1$ . Then there exists a regular element  $x$  of  $\mathfrak{m}$  and so by [7, Lemma 3.1],  $(0 :_M x)$  is Gorenstein injective  $\bar{R}$ -module (where  $\bar{R} = R/xR$ ). On the other hand,  $\bar{R}$  is a Cohen-Macaulay ring of dimension  $n - 1$  and  $\text{Width}_{\bar{R}}(0 :_M x) = n - 1$  by induction hypothesis. Since  $M$  is a Gorenstein injective module, we have  $M = xM$  and so  $\text{Width}_{\bar{R}}(0 :_M x) = \text{Width}(M) - 1$  by [7, Proposition 2.3]. Hence  $\text{Width}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ . ■

**Proposition 2.12.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a complete Cohen-Macaulay local ring and  $M$  be a non-injective Artinian module such that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E, M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  and all indecomposable injective  $R$ -module  $E \neq E(R/\mathfrak{m})$ . If  $M$  has finite Gorenstein injective dimension, then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $M$  is Gorenstein injective.
- (2)  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$ .
- (3)  $M$  is  $h$ -divisible and  $\text{Width}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\iff$  (2) follows from [5, Proposition 4.3].

(1)  $\implies$  (3) follows from [8, Remark 10.1.5] and Lemma 2.11.

(3)  $\implies$  (2). Let  $n = \text{depth}(R)$  and  $t = \text{Gid}(M)$ . We proceed by induction on  $n$ . Let  $n = 0$ . We consider an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow E(R/\mathfrak{m})^{n_0} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow E(R/\mathfrak{m})^{n_{t-1}} \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $C$  is a Gorenstein injective Artinian module. But then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E(R/\mathfrak{m})) \longrightarrow R^{n_{t-1}} \longrightarrow \dots \\ &\longrightarrow R^{n_0} \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, E(R/\mathfrak{m})) \longrightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

is exact, and  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is Gorenstein projective by [4, Theorem 4.8]. Hence  $\text{G-dim}(\text{Hom}_R(M, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))) < \infty$  and so  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is Gorenstein projective by [1, Proposition 4.11], since  $n = 0$ . Therefore, by [4, Theorem 4.8], the result follows. Now, suppose  $n \geq 1$ . Then there exists a regular sequence  $x \in \mathfrak{m}$  on  $R$  and so  $\text{k-depth}(M) = 0$ . Then, by [12, Corollary 6.1.10],  $\text{Width}(M) = n$ . Since  $(0 :_M x) \neq 0$ , then  $\text{Width}_{\bar{R}}(0 :_M x) = n - 1$  by [7, Proposition 2.3]. Therefore  $(0 :_M x)$  is a Gorenstein injective  $\bar{R}$ -module by induction hypothesis (where  $\bar{R} = R/xR$ ). Now, consider an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow (0 :_M x) \longrightarrow M \xrightarrow{x} M \longrightarrow 0.$$

But then we have the following long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &\longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \xrightarrow{x} \text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) \\ &\longrightarrow \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) \longrightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) \cong \text{Ext}_R^i((0 :_{E(R/\mathfrak{m})} x), (0 :_M x))$  by [7, Lemma 2.1] and  $(0 :_M x)$  is a Gorenstein injective  $\bar{R}$ -module by the above argument, we get  $\text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), (0 :_M x)) = 0$ . Now, by [3, Proposition 9] and Nakayama's Lemma, it follows that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E(R/\mathfrak{m}), M) = 0$ . ■

Enochs and Jenda in [7, Theorem 4.8] proved that the following theorem is true when  $M$  is an Ext-finite  $R$ -module.

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a complete Cohen-Macaulay local ring of dimension  $n$ , and  $M$  be a non-injective, Artinian  $R$ -module such that  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E, M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  and all indecomposable injective  $R$ -module  $E \neq E(R/\mathfrak{m})$ . If  $M$  is an  $h$ -divisible module of finite Gorenstein injective dimension, then*

$$\text{depth}(R) = \text{Gid}(M) + \text{Width}(M).$$

*Proof.* We proceed by induction on the Gorenstein injective dimension. If  $M$  is Gorenstein injective, then we are done by Lemma 2.11. Now suppose that  $\text{Gid}(M) \geq 1$ . Then  $\text{depth}(R) \geq 1$ . For, if  $\text{depth}(R) = 0$ , then  $\text{Width}(M) = 0$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E, M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  by hypothesis and Proposition 2.12, and so  $M$  is Gorenstein injective. If  $\text{Gid}(M) = 1$ , then  $E(M)/M$  is Gorenstein injective. Therefore  $\text{Width}(E(M)/M) = \text{depth}(R)$  by Lemma 2.11. On the other hand,  $\text{Width}(M) \leq \text{depth}(R)$ . Hence  $\text{Width}(M) \leq \text{depth}(R) - 1$ . For if  $\text{Width}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ , then  $\text{Ext}_R^i(E, M) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  by hypothesis and Proposition 2.12, and hence  $M$  is Gorenstein injective. Therefore  $\text{Width}(M) + 1 = \text{Width}(E(M)/M)$  by [7, Lemma 4.6] and so we are done. If  $\text{Gid}(M) = r > 1$ , then  $\text{Gid}(E(M)/M) = r - 1 \geq 1$ . Therefore  $r - 1 = \text{Gid}(E(M)/M) = \text{depth}(R) - \text{Width}(E(M)/M)$  by induction hypothesis. Hence  $r - 1 = \text{depth}(R) - (\text{Width}(M) + 1)$  and thus  $\text{Gid}(M) + \text{Width}(M) = \text{depth}(R)$ . ■

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