

# Almost Gorenstein rings of higher dimension

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## §2 Almost Gorenstein local rings

### Setting 2.1

- $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  a Cohen-Macaulay local ring with  $d = \dim R$ .
- $\exists$  the canonical module  $K_R$ .
- $|R/\mathfrak{m}| = \infty$ .

### Definition 2.2

We say that  $R$  is *an almost Gorenstein local ring*, if  $\exists$  an exact sequence

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of  $R$ -modules such that  $\mu_R(C) = e_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(C)$ .

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## Example 2.4

- (1)  $k[[t^3, t^4, t^5]]$ .
- (2)  $k[[t^a, t^{a+1}, \dots, t^{2a-3}, t^{2a-1}]]$  ( $a \geq 4$ ).
- (3)  $k[[X, Y, Z]]/(X, Y) \cap (Y, Z) \cap (Z, X)$ .
- (4) Suppose that  $R$  is not Gorenstein. If  $R$  is an almost Gorenstein local ring, then  $R$  is G-regular.
- (5) 1-dimensional finite CM-representation type.
- (6) 2-dimensional rational singularity.

## Theorem 2.5 (NZD characterization)

- (1) *If  $R$  is an almost Gorenstein local ring of dimension  $d > 1$ , then so is  $R/(f)$  for **genaral** NZD  $f \in \mathfrak{m}$ .*
- (2) *Let  $f \in \mathfrak{m}$  be a NZD on  $R$ . If  $R/(f)$  is an almost Gorenstein local ring, then so is  $R$ . When this is the case,  $f \notin \mathfrak{m}^2$ , if  $R$  is not Gorenstein.*

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## Example 2.7

Let  $U = k[[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n]]$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) be the formal power series ring over an infinite field  $k$  and put

$$R = U/I_2(\mathbb{M}),$$

where  $I_2(\mathbb{M})$  denotes the ideal of  $U$  generated by  $2 \times 2$  minors of the matrix

$$\mathbb{M} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \\ Y_1 & Y_2 & \cdots & Y_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $R$  is almost Gorenstein with  $\dim R = n + 1$  and  $\text{r}(R) = n - 1$ .

## Proof of Example 2.7.

Notice that

- $\{X_i - Y_{i-1}\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$  (here  $Y_0 = Y_n$ ) forms a regular sequence on  $R$
- $R/(X_i - Y_{i-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n)R \cong k[[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]]/I_2(\mathbb{N}) = S,$

$$\text{where } \mathbb{N} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_{n-1} & X_n \\ X_2 & X_3 & \cdots & X_n & X_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

- $S$  is Cohen-Macaulay with  $\dim S = 1,$
- $\mathfrak{n}^2 = x_1 \mathfrak{n}$  and  $K_S \cong (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}),$

where  $\mathfrak{n}$  is the maximal ideal of  $S$ ,  $x_i$  is the image of  $X_i$  in  $S$ . Hence  $S$  is an almost Gorenstein local ring, since  $\mathfrak{n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}) \subseteq (x_1)$ . Thus  $R$  is almost Gorenstein. □

## Theorem 2.8

Let  $(S, \mathfrak{n})$  be a Noetherian local ring,  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  a flat local homomorphism. Suppose that  $S/\mathfrak{m}S$  is a RLR. Then TFAE.

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## §3 Semi-Gorenstein local rings

In this section we maintain Setting 2.1.

### Definition 3.1

We say that  $R$  is a *semi-Gorenstein local ring*, if  $R$  is an almost Gorenstein local ring which possesses an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow K_R \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

such that either  $C = (0)$ , or  $C \neq (0)$  and  $C = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\ell} C_i$  for some *cyclic*  $R$ -submodule  $C_i$  of  $C$ .



Therefore, if  $C \neq (0)$ , then

$$C_i \cong R/\mathfrak{p}_i \quad \text{for } \exists \mathfrak{p}_i \in \text{Spec } R$$

such that  $R/\mathfrak{p}_i$  is a RLR of dimension  $d - 1$ .

Notice that

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## Theorem 3.3

Let  $(S, \mathfrak{n})$  be a RLR,  $\mathfrak{a} \subsetneq S$  an ideal of  $S$  with  $\mathfrak{n} = \text{ht}_S \mathfrak{a}$ . Let  $R = S/\mathfrak{a}$ . Then TFAE.

- (1)  $R$  is a semi-Gorenstein local ring, but not Gorenstein.
- (2)  $R$  is Cohen-Macaulay,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $r = \text{r}(R) \geq 2$ , and  $R$  has a minimal  $S$ -free resolution of the form:

$$0 \rightarrow F_n = S^r \xrightarrow{\mathbb{M}} F_{n-1} = S^q \rightarrow F_{n-2} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 = S \rightarrow R \rightarrow 0$$

where

$${}^t\mathbb{M} = \begin{pmatrix} y_{21}y_{22} \cdots y_{2\ell} & y_{31}y_{32} \cdots y_{3\ell} & \cdots & y_{r1}y_{r2} \cdots y_{r\ell} & z_1 z_2 \cdots z_m \\ x_{21}x_{22} \cdots x_{2\ell} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_{31}x_{32} \cdots x_{3\ell} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{r1}x_{r2} \cdots x_{r\ell} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$\ell = n + 1$ ,  $q \geq (r - 1)\ell$ ,  $m = q - (r - 1)\ell$ , and  $x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{i\ell}$  is a part of a regular system of parameters of  $S$  for  $2 \leq \forall i \leq r$ .

When this is the case,

$$\mathfrak{a} = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_m) + \sum_{i=2}^r I_2 \begin{pmatrix} y_{i1} & y_{i2} & \cdots & y_{il} \\ x_{i1} & y_{i2} & \cdots & x_{il} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Example 3.4

Let  $\varphi : S = k[[X, Y, Z, W]] \longrightarrow R = k[[t^5, t^6, t^7, t^9]]$  be the  $k$ -algebra map defined by

$$\varphi(X) = t^5, \quad \varphi(Y) = t^6, \quad \varphi(Z) = t^7 \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(W) = t^9.$$

Then

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 \xrightarrow{\mathbb{M}} S^6 \rightarrow S^5 \rightarrow S \rightarrow R \rightarrow 0,$$

where

$${}^t\mathbb{M} = \begin{pmatrix} W & X^2 & XY & YZ & Y^2 - XZ & Z^2 - XW \\ X & Y & Z & W & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence  $R$  is semi-Gorenstein with  $\text{r}(R) = 2$  and

$$\text{Ker } \varphi = (Y^2 - XZ, Z^2 - XW) + \text{I}_2 \begin{pmatrix} W & X^2 & XY & YZ \\ X & Y & Z & W \end{pmatrix}.$$

## §4 Almost Gorenstein graded rings

### Setting 4.1

- $R = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} R_n$  a Cohen-Macaulay graded ring with  $d = \dim R$
- $(R_0, \mathfrak{m})$  a local ring
- $\exists$  the graded canonical module  $K_R$
- $\mathfrak{M} = \mathfrak{m}R + R_+$
- $a = a(R)$
- $|R/\mathfrak{m}| = \infty$

## Definition 4.2

We say that  $R$  is an almost Gorenstein graded ring, if  $\exists$  an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow K_R(-a) \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

of graded  $R$ -modules such that  $\mu_R(C) = e_{\mathfrak{M}}^0(C)$ .

Notice that

- $R$  is an almost Gorenstein **graded** ring  
 $\implies R_{\mathfrak{M}}$  is an almost Gorenstein **local** ring.

## Example 4.3

Let  $R = k[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_d]$  ( $d \geq 1$ ) be a polynomial ring over an infinite field  $k$ . Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer.

- $R^{(n)} = k[R_n]$  is an almost Gorenstein graded ring, if  $d \leq 2$ .
- Suppose that  $d \geq 3$ . Then  $R^{(n)}$  is an almost Gorenstein graded ring if and only if  $n \mid d$  or  $d = 3$  and  $n = 2$ .



## Theorem 4.4 (Goto-Iai [3])

*Let  $A$  be a Gorenstein local ring,  $I \subsetneq A$  an ideal of  $A$ . If  $G = \text{gr}_I(A)$  is an almost Gorenstein graded ring, then  $G$  is Gorenstein.*

## Theorem 4.5

*Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Gorenstein local ring of dimension  $d \geq 3$  and  $Q$  a parameter ideal of  $A$ . Then TFAE.*

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Our goal is the following.

### Theorem 4.6

Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring with  $|A/\mathfrak{m}| = \infty$ ,  $\exists K_A$ . Let  $I$  be an  $\mathfrak{m}$ -primary ideal of  $A$ .

If  $G = \text{gr}_I(A)$  is an almost Gorenstein *graded* ring and  $r(G) = r(A)$ , then  $A$  is an almost Gorenstein *local* ring.

Thank you very much for your attention.

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