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Finiteness of graded local cohomology modules

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Abstract

Let $R = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} R_n$ be a Noetherian homogeneous ring with local base ring (R_0, \mathfrak{m}_0) and irrelevant ideal R_+ , let M be a finitely generated graded R-module. In this paper we show that $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian and $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian for each i in the case where R_+ is principal. Moreover, for the case where $\mathfrak{ar}(R_+) = 2$, we prove that, for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian if and only if $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian. We also prove that $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0}(H^c_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian, where $d = \dim(R_0)$ and c is the cohomological dimension of M with respect to R_+ . Finally we present some examples which show that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ and $H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ need not be Artinian. (\mathfrak{C}) 2007 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, let $R = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} R_n$ be a Noetherian homogeneous ring with local base ring (R_0, \mathfrak{m}_0) . So R_0 is a Noetherian ring and there are finitely many elements $l_1, \ldots, l_r \in R_1$ such that $R = R_0[l_1, \ldots, l_r]$. Let $R_+ := \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R_n$ denote the irrelevant ideal of R and let $\mathfrak{m} := \mathfrak{m}_0 \oplus R_+$ denote the graded maximal ideal of R. Moreover, let $M = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} M_n$ be a finitely generated graded R-module.

The finiteness of the graded local cohomology module has an important role in studying the asymptotic behaviour of the *n*-th graded component $H^i_{R_+}(M)_n$ of $H^i_{R_+}(M)$ for $n \to -\infty$. One of the parts of finiteness of graded local cohomology is Artinianess. As $H^i_{R_+}(M)_n$ is a finitely generated R_0 -module for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the Artinianess of the graded local cohomology allows us to draw conclusions on the multiplicity $e_{q_0}(H^i_{R_+}(M)_n)$ of $H^i_{R_+}(M)$, where q_0 is an \mathfrak{m}_0 -primary ideal of R_0 .

Brodmann, Fumasoli and Tajarod in [2] proved that for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, the graded modules $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H_{R_+}^i(M))$ and $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H_{R_+}^i(M))$ are Artinian when R_0 is of dimension 1. Moreover Brodmann, Rohrer and Sazeedeh in [3] showed

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that $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^i_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ even if dim $(R_0) = 2$. The authors in [2,3] have presented several examples which showed that these results need not hold if we remove the condition on the dimension of R_0 . Also, the authors in [3,7] studied the Artinianess of $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^f_{R_+}(M))$ where f was the least non-negative integer i such that $H^i_{R_+}(M)$ is not finitely generated or is not R_+ -cofinite.

In this paper we show that, without any condition on R_0 , the module $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian (cf. Theorem 2.2). In addition, if R_+ is principal, then $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian for each *i* (cf. Proposition 2.6). When $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$, we also show that, for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian if and only if $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian (cf. Theorem 2.3). This result allows us to draw a conclusion on $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$. In fact we deduce that $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian if and only if $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian. Finally we shall obtain a result on top local cohomology. We show that if dim $(R_0) = d$ and *c* is the cohomological dimension of *M* with respect to R_+ , then $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian (cf. Proposition 2.8). In the last part we present two examples which show that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ and $H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ need not be Artinian even if $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$ (cf. Examples 2.9 and 2.10).

2. The results

Definition 2.1. Let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of R. Following [1], the *arithmetic rank of* \mathfrak{a} , denoted by $\operatorname{ara}(\mathfrak{a})$, is the least number of elements of R required to generate an ideal which has the same radical as \mathfrak{a} . Thus

ara(\mathfrak{a}) = min{ $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \exists b_1, \ldots, b_n \in R \text{ with } \sqrt{(b_1, \ldots, b_n)R} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ }.

Note that ara(0R) = 0.

Theorem 2.2. The graded module $H^1_{\mathbf{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian.

Proof. Let $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = n$. Then there exist some elements $y_1, \ldots, y_n \in R$ such that $\sqrt{(y_1, \ldots, y_n)R} = \sqrt{R_+}$. As there exists an isomorphism $H^i_{R_+}(M) \cong H^i_{(y_1, \ldots, y_n)R}(M)$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we may assume that $R_+ = (y_1, \ldots, y_n)R$. Moreover, for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, there is an exact sequence of graded *R*-modules

$$H^{i-1}_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M) \xrightarrow{\eta^{i-1}_{y_n}} H^{i-1}_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M)_{y_n} \longrightarrow H^i_{R_+}(M) \longrightarrow H^i_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M) \xrightarrow{\eta^i_{y_n}} H^i_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M)_{y_n}$$

in which $\eta_{y_n}^{i-1}$ and $\eta_{y_n}^i$ are the natural homomorphisms (cf. [1, Exercise 13.1.12] or [2, Theorem 2.5]). Now it follows from [1, Corollary 2.2.18] that $\operatorname{Coker}(\eta_{y_n}^{i-1}) \cong H^1_{y_n R}(H^{i-1}_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M))$ and $\operatorname{Ker}(\eta_{y_n}^i) \cong \Gamma_{y_n R}(H^i_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M))$ and so we obtain an exact sequence

$$0 \to H^{1}_{y_{n}R}(H^{i-1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to H^{1}_{R_{+}}(M) \to \Gamma_{y_{n}R}(H^{i}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to 0.$$

In particular, if we set i = 1, we will have the following exact sequence of graded *R*-modules:

$$0 \to H^{1}_{y_{n}R}(\Gamma_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to H^{1}_{R_{+}}(M) \to \Gamma_{y_{n}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to 0$$

Application of the functor $H^1_{m_0R}(-)$ to this exact sequence gives the following exact sequence of *R*-modules:

$$H^{1}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{1}_{y_{n}R}(\Gamma_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M))) \to H^{1}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{1}_{R_{+}}(M)) \to H^{1}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(\Gamma_{y_{n}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M))).$$

So, in order to get our assertion, it is enough to show that $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{y_n R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M)))$ and $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(\Gamma_{y_n R}(H^1_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M)))$ are Artinian. We now prove Artinianess of the first term. By Grothendieck's spectral sequence, for each $p, q \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we have

$$E_2^{p,q} := H^p_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^q_{y_n R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M))) \Longrightarrow_p H^{p+q}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y_n)R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M))$$

Since $E_2^{p,q} = 0$, for all $q \neq 0, 1$, the above spectral sequence gives the following long exact sequence of *R*-modules:

$$\dots \to H^2_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n)R}(\Gamma_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to E^{1,1}_2 \to E^{3,0}_2 \to H^3_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n)R}(\Gamma_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to \dots$$

We note that there are the following isomorphisms $H^2_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n)R}(\Gamma_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})R}(M)) \cong H^2_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})R}(M))$ and

 $E_2^{3,0} = H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(\Gamma_{y_nR}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M))) \cong H^3_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M)) \text{ and so } H^2_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y_n)R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \text{ and } E_2^{3,0} \text{ are Artinian.}$ Therefore, the previous exact sequence implies that $E_2^{1,1} = H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{y_nR}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M)))$ is Artinian. It remains to prove the Artinianess of $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(\Gamma_{y_nR}(H^1_{(y_1,\dots,y_{n-1})R}(M)))$. According to [5, Corollary 11.44], there exists an exact sequence of *R*-modules

$$0 \to H^{1}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(\Gamma_{y_{n}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M))) \to H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0},y_{n})R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \to \cdots$$

Thus it is enough to show that $H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0},y_{n})R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M))$ is Artinian. Consider the following exact sequence of *R*-modules:

$$0 \to H^{1}_{y_{n-1}R}(\Gamma_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-2})R}(M)) \to H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M) \to \Gamma_{y_{n-1}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-2})R}(M)) \to 0.$$

Application of the functor $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, v_n)R}(-)$ to this exact sequence induces the following exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0},y_{n})R}(H^{1}_{y_{n-1}R}(\Gamma_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-2})R}(M))) &\to H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0},y_{n})R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-1})R}(M)) \\ &\to H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0},y_{n})R}(\Gamma_{y_{n-1}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1},...,y_{n-2})R}(M))). \end{aligned}$$

Now, in view of the above exact sequence, it suffices to prove that the graded modules $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y_n)R}(H^1_{y_{n-1}R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-2})R}(M)))$ and $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y_n)R}(\Gamma_{y_{n-1}R}(H^1_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-2})R}(M)))$ are Artinian. By a proof similar to that mentioned for $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{y_nR}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-1})R}(M)))$, we can conclude that $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y_n)R}(H^1_{y_{n-1}R}(\Gamma_{(y_1,\ldots,y_{n-2})R}(M)))$ is Artinian. Now, we prove Artinianess of the second term. Using again [5, Corollary 11.44], there exists an exact sequence of *R*-modules

$$0 \to H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0}, y_{n})R}(\Gamma_{y_{n-1}R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1}, \dots, y_{n-2})R}(M))) \to H^{1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_{0}, y_{n}, y_{n-1})R}(H^{1}_{(y_{1}, \dots, y_{n-2})R}(M)) \to \cdots$$

So it is enough to show that $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1})R}(H^1_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-2})R}(M))$ is Artinian. If we apply the above argument which was mentioned for $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1})R}(H^1_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})R}(M))$, we shall deduce that $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1})R}(H^1_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-2})R}(M))$ is Artinian if $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, y_{n-2})R}(H^1_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-3})R}(M))$ is Artinian. Now, by repeating this argument, we finally conclude that the graded *R*-module $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1})R}(H^1_{(y_1, \dots, y_{n-2})R}(M))$ is Artinian if $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_2)R}(H^1_{y_1R}(M))$ is Artinian. Therefore it suffices to prove that $H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_2)R}(H^1_{y_1R}(M))$ is Artinian. By Grothendieck's spectral sequence, for each $p, q \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we have

$$E_2^{p,q} := H^p_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_2)R}(H^q_{y_1R}(M)) \Longrightarrow_p H^{p+q}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M)$$

Since $E_2^{p,q} = 0$ for all $q \neq 0, 1$, the above spectral sequence gives the following long exact sequence of *R*-modules:

$$\cdots \to H^2_{\mathfrak{m}}(M) \to E^{1,1}_2 \to E^{3,0}_2 \to \cdots.$$

We note that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}}(M)$ and $E^{3,0}_2 = H^3_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_2)R}(\Gamma_{y_1R}(M)) \cong H^3_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{y_1R}(M))$ are Artinian; and hence the previous long exact sequence implies that the graded *R*-module $E^{1,1}_2 = H^1_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_2)R}(H^1_{y_1R}(M))$ is Artinian. \Box

Theorem 2.3. Let $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Then $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian if and only if $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian.

Proof. As $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$, there exist $x, y \in R$ such that $\sqrt{R_+} = \sqrt{(x, y)R}$. So we have the following exact sequence: $0 \to H^1_{\nu R}(H^1_{xR}(M)) \to H^2_{R_+}(M) \to \Gamma_{\nu R}(H^2_{\nu R}(M)) \to 0.$

We note that $H^2_{xR}(M) = 0$ and so the exact sequence above implies the isomorphism $H^2_{R_+}(M) \cong H^1_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))$. At first assume that $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian for some $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and so we shall prove that $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian. Consider the following exact sequence:

$$0 \to H^1_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)) \to H^1_{R_+}(M) \to \Gamma_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M)) \to 0.$$

Application of the functor $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(-)$ to the above exact sequence induces the following exact sequence:

$$H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))) \to H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M)) \to H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(\Gamma_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))) \to H^{i+3}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))). \tag{(\star)}$$

Thus, it is enough to show that $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)))$ and $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(\Gamma_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M)))$ are Artinian. We first prove that $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)))$ is Artinian. By Grothendieck's spectral sequence we have

$$E_2^{p,q} \coloneqq H^p_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^q_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))) \Longrightarrow_p H^{p+q}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)).$$

Since $E_2^{p,q} = 0$ for all $q \neq 0, 1$, this spectral sequence gives the following long exact sequence:

$$\cdots \to H^{i+3}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)) \to E^{i+2,1}_2 \to E^{i+4,0}_2 \to H^{i+4}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)).$$

We note that $H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}^{i+3}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)) \cong H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{i+3}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))$ and $E_2^{i+4,0} = H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+4}(\Gamma_{yR}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))) \cong H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+4}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M)) \cong H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+4}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M))$ are Artinian and so is $E_2^{i+2,1} = H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(H_{yR}^1(\Gamma_{xR}(M)))$. Now, we prove that $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(\Gamma_{yR}(H_{xR}^1(M)))$ is Artinian. Using again Grothendieck's spectral sequence, there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} \coloneqq H^p_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^q_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))) \Longrightarrow_p H^{p+q}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}(H^1_{xR}(M))$$

Since $E_2^{p,q} = 0$ for all $q \neq 0, 1$, this spectral sequence gives the following long exact sequence:

$$\cdots \to H^{i+1}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y)R}(H^1_{xR}(M)) \to H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))) \to H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(\Gamma_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))) \to H^{i+2}_{(\mathfrak{m}_0, y)R}(H^1_{xR}(M)) \to \cdots .$$
 (**)

By the hypotheses and the first argument in the our proof, the graded *R*-module $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{yR}(H^1_{xR}(M))) \cong H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian. On the other hand, consider Grothendieck's spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} := H^p_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)}(H^q_{xR}(M)) \underset{p}{\Rightarrow} H^{p+q}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M)$$

Since $E_2^{p,q} = 0$ for all $q \neq 0, 1$, this spectral sequence gives the long exact sequence of *R*-modules

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^{i+3}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M) \rightarrow E^{i+2,1}_2 \rightarrow E^{i+4,0}_2 \rightarrow \cdots$$

We note that $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{i+3}(M)$ and $E_2^{i+4,0} = H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)}^{i+4}(\Gamma_{xR}(M)) = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{i+4}(\Gamma_{xR}(M))$ are Artinian and so by the exact sequence above $E_2^{i+2,1} = H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}^{i+2}(H_{xR}^1(M))$ is Artinian. Therefore, in view of $(\star\star)$, the module $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(\Gamma_{yR}(H_{xR}^1(M)))$ is Artinian. Conversely, suppose that $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(H_{R_+}^1(M))$ is Artinian and so we shall prove that $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0N}^i(H_{R_+}^2(M))$ is Artinian. By $(\star\star)$ and the first argument mentioned in this proof, it is enough to show that $H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}^{i+1}(H_{xR}^1(M))$ and $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+2}(\Gamma_{yR}(H_{xR}^1(M)))$ is Artinian. A proof similar to that stated for the Artinianess of $H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}^{i+2}(H_{xR}^1(M))$ implies that the first term is Artinian. For the second term, by (\star) and the hypotheses, it suffices to show that $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+3}(H_{yR}^1(\Gamma_{xR}(M)))$ is Artinian. Now, by using again a proof similar to that stated for Artinianess of $H_{(\mathfrak{m}_0,y)R}^{i+2}(H_{xR}^1(M))$, we can show that $H_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}^{i+3}(H_{yR}^1(\Gamma_{xR}(M)))$ is Artinian too. \Box

Corollary 2.4. Let $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$. Then $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian if and only if $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian.

Proof. The result follows immediately by the previous theorem if we consider i = 0. \Box

Remark 2.5. Any local flat morphism of local Noetherian rings is faithfully flat. So, if R'_0 is flat over R_0 and $\mathfrak{m}_0 R'_0 \subseteq \mathfrak{m}'_0$, then R'_0 is faithfully flat over R_0 . Moreover, it follows from [4, Theorem 1] that if (R'_0, \mathfrak{m}'_0) is a faithfully flat local R_0 -algebra, then A is a graded Artinian R-module if and only if $A' := R'_0 \otimes_{R_0} A$ is a graded Artinian module over $R' := R'_0 \otimes_{R_0} R$.

Proposition 2.6. Let R_+ be a principal graded ideal of R. Then $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^j_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian for all $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof. As R_+ is principal, we have $H_{R_+}^j(M) = 0$ for each j > 1. So the assertion is obvious for each j > 1. If j = 0, then $\Gamma_{R_+}(M)$ is a finitely generated graded R_+ -torsion R-module, and hence for each i, there is an isomorphism $H_{m_0R}^i(\Gamma_{R_+}(M)) \cong H_m^i(\Gamma_{R_+}(M))$. We note that the last term is Artinian and so the result is clear in this case. Now, consider j = 1. Let **x** be an indeterminate and let $R'_0 := R_0[\mathbf{x}]_{m_0R_0[\mathbf{x}]}, \mathfrak{m}'_0 := \mathfrak{m}_0R'_0, R' = R'_0 \otimes_{R_0} R$ and $M' := R'_0 \otimes_{R_0} M$. Then by the flat base change property of local cohomology, for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have $R'_0 \otimes_{R_0} H_{m_0R}^i(H_{R_+}^j(M)) \cong H_{\mathfrak{m}'_0R}^i(H_{R'_+}^j(M'))$. So, in view of Remark 2.5, we can assume that the residue field R_0/\mathfrak{m}_0 is infinite. Now, consider j = 1. Since there is an isomorphism $H_{R_+}^1(M) \cong H_{R_+}^1(M/\Gamma_{R_+}(M))$, we may assume that $\Gamma_{R_+}(M) = 0$. Thus there exists an element $x \in R_1$ which is a non-zero-divisor with respect to M and so there is the following exact sequence $0 \to M(-1) \xrightarrow{x} M \to M/xM \to 0$. Application of the functor $H_{R_+}^j(-)$ to this exact sequence induces the following exact sequence:

$$0 \to \Gamma_{R_+}(M/xM) \to H^1_{R_+}(M)(-1) \xrightarrow{x_{\cdot}} H^1_{R_+}(M) \to 0$$

Now, if we apply the functor $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(-)$ to this exact sequence, we get the following exact sequence:

$$H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(\Gamma_{R_{+}}(M/xM)) \to H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{1}_{R_{+}}(M))(-1) \xrightarrow{x.} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{1}_{R_{+}}(M)).$$

It should be noted that $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M/xM)) \cong H^i_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M/xM))$ is Artinian. So this fact implies that $(0:_{H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))(-1)}x)$ is Artinian. Now, since $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ is x-torsion, using Melkersson's Lemma this module is Artinian. \Box

Remark 2.7. (i) We denote by $c := c_{R_+}(M)$ the cohomological dimension of M with respect to R_+ which is

$$c := c_{R_+}(M) = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 | H^i_{R_+}(M) \neq 0\}.$$

One can easily show that $c_{R_+}(M) = \dim_R(M/\mathfrak{m}_0 M)$ (see [6, 1.2]).

(ii) If $c_{R_+}(M) > 0$ and $\Gamma_{R_+}(M) = 0$, following [6, 1.3.7], there exists a homogeneous element $x \in R_+$ which is a non-zero-divisor with respect to M and $c_{R_+}(M/xM) = c_{R_+}(M) - 1$. In fact this follows by choosing x to avoid all the minimal primes of $(\mathfrak{m}_0 M :_R M)$.

Proposition 2.8. Let dim $(R_0) = d$ and let $c = c_{R_+}(M)$ be the cohomological dimension of M with respect to R_+ . Then $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^c_{R_+}(M))$ is Artinian.

Proof. We proceed the assertion by induction on *c*. If c = 0, then $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M)) \cong H^d_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{R_+}(M))$ and the last module is Artinian. Now, suppose inductively that the result has been proved for all values smaller than *c* and so we prove it for *c*. As usual we may assume that the residue field R_0/\mathfrak{m}_0 is infinite. Since there is an isomorphism $H^i_{R_+}(M) \cong H^i_{R_+}(M/\Gamma_{R_+}(M))$ for each *i*, we may assume that $\Gamma_{R_+}(M) = 0$. In view of Remark 2.7, there exists a homogeneous element $x \in R_+$ with $\deg(x) = a$ which is a non-zero-divisor with respect to *M* and $c_{R_+}(M/xM) = c_{R_+}(M) - 1 = c - 1$. On the other hand the usual exact sequence $0 \to M(-a) \xrightarrow{x} M \to M/xM \to 0$ gives the following exact sequence:

$$H^{c-1}_{R_+}(M/xM) \to H^c_{R_+}(M)(-a) \xrightarrow{x} H^c_{R_+}(M) \to 0.$$

Application of the right exact functor $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(-)$ to the above exact sequence induces the following exact sequence:

$$H^{d}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{c-1}_{R_{+}}(M/xM)) \to H^{d}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{c}_{R_{+}}(M))(-a) \xrightarrow{x} H^{d}_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{c}_{R_{+}}(M)) \to 0.$$

Using induction hypothesis, the module $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^{c-1}_{R_+}(M/xM))$ is Artinian and so is $(0:_{H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^c_{R_+}(M))(-a)}x)$. Now, since $H^d_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^c_{R_+}(M))$ is x-torsion, by using Melkersson's Lemma, it is Artinian. \Box

In the rest of this section we present some examples which show that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ and $H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(M))$ need not be Artinian.

In the following example which has already been presented in [2] we show that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian even if R_0 is a regular local ring of dimension 2 and $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$.

Example 2.9. Let *K* be a field, let *x*, *y*, *t* be indeterminates, let $R_0 := K[x, y]_{(x,y)}$ and $\mathfrak{m}_0 := (x, y)R_0$. Moreover let $R := R_0[\mathfrak{m}_0 t]$ be the (truncated) Rees ring of \mathfrak{m}_0 . One can easily see that $R_+ = (xt, yt)R$; and hence $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$. On the other hand, it follows from [2, Example 4.2] that $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^2_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian. Now, using Corollary 2.4, we deduce that $H^2_{\mathfrak{m}_0 R}(H^1_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian.

The following example which has already been presented in [3] shows that $H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian even if $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$.

Example 2.10. Let *K* be a field, let $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{t}$ be indeterminates and let $R_0 := K[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}]_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})}$ and $\mathfrak{m}_0 := (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})R_0$. Furnish the polynomial ring $S := R_0[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]$ with its standard grading and consider the Noetherian homogeneous R_0 -algebra $R := S/(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{v}-\mathbf{y}\mathbf{u})S$, which is canonically isomorphic to the Rees ring $R_0[(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\mathbf{t}]$ of R_0 with respect to the ideal $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \subseteq R_0$. One can easily see that R_+ is generated by two elements; and hence $\operatorname{ara}(R_+) = 2$. On the other hand, it follows from [3, Example 5.11] that $H^1_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^2_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian. Now, using Theorem 2.3, we deduce that $H^3_{\mathfrak{m}_0R}(H^1_{R_+}(R))$ is not Artinian.

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