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## Artinianness of Composed Graded Local Cohomology Modules

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Abstract. Let  $R = \bigoplus_{n\geq 0} R_n$  be a graded Noetherian ring with local base ring  $(R_0, \mathfrak{m}_0)$  and let  $R_+ = \bigoplus_{n>0} R_n$ . Let M and N be finitely generated graded R-modules and let  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}_0 + R_+$  an ideal of R. We show that  $H_{\mathfrak{b}_0}^j(H_{\mathfrak{a}}^i(M, N))$  and  $H_{\mathfrak{a}}^i(M, N)/\mathfrak{b}_0 H_{\mathfrak{a}}^i(M, N)$  are Artinian for some i s and j s with a specified property, where  $\mathfrak{b}_o$  is an ideal of  $R_0$  such that  $\mathfrak{a}_0 + \mathfrak{b}_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{m}_0$ -primary ideal.

## 1 Introduction

Throughout this paper, we assume that  $R = \bigoplus_{n\geq 0} R_n$  is a graded Noetherian ring with local base ring  $(R_0, \mathfrak{m}_0)$ . In addition, we use  $\mathfrak{a}_0$  and  $\mathfrak{b}_0$  to denote two proper ideals of  $R_0$  such that  $\mathfrak{a}_0 + \mathfrak{b}_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{m}_0$ -primary ideal. We set  $R_+ = \bigoplus_{n>0} R_n$ , the irrelevant ideal of R,  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}_0 + R_+$ , and  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}_0 + R_+$ . Also, we use M, N to denote non-zero, finitely generated, graded R-modules. It is well known that, for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  (where  $\mathbb{N}_0$ denotes the set of all non-negative integers), the *i*-th generalized local cohomology module  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  of M and N with respect to  $\mathfrak{a}$  inherits natural grading. For each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (where  $\mathbb{Z}$  denotes the set of integers), we use the notation  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)_n$  to denote the *n*-th graded component of  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ . Then, according to [7], for each  $i \ge 0$ , the  $R_0$ -module  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)_n$  is finitely generated in certain cases and vanishes for all  $n \gg 0$ . Therefore, the asymptotic behavior of  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)_n$  when  $n \to -\infty$  holds a lot of interest.

The concept of tameness is the most fundamental concept related to the asymptotic behavior of cohomology modules. A graded *R*-module  $T = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} T_n$  is said to be *tame* or *asymptotic gap-free* ([2, Definition 4.1]) if either  $T_n = 0$  for all  $n \ll 0$  else  $T_n \neq 0$ for all  $n \ll 0$ . It is well known that any graded Artinian *R*-module is tame [1, Remark 4.2]. In this paper, we study the Artinianness of modules  $H_{b_0}^{i}(H_{a}^{i}(M,N))$  and  $H_{a}^{i}(M,N)/b_{0}H_{a}^{i}(M,N)$  for some *i* s and *j* s with a specified property. At first we show that if *t* is smallest positive integer such that  $H_{a}^{i}(M,N)$  is not Artinian, then  $H_{a}^{i}(M,N)$  is a-cofinite and Artinian for all i < t (see Theorem 2.2). We also prove that if  $H_{a}^{i}(M,N)$  is a-cofinite for all i < r, then  $H_{b_0}^{j}(H_{a}^{i}(M,N))$  is Artinian a-cofinite for all i < r and all  $j \ge 0$ . Moreover,  $\Gamma_{b_0R}(H_{a}^{r}(M,N))$  is Artinian and a-cofinite and  $H_{a}^{i}(M,N)/mH_{a}^{i}(M,N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \le r$  (see Corollaries 2.4 and 2.6). The generalized homological finite length dimension and cohomological dimension of M and N with respect to a is denoted by  $g_{a}(M,N)$  and  $cd_{a}(M,N)$ ), respectively.

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Also,  $q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is the largest non-negative integer *i* such that  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is not Artinian. We show that  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{b}_{0}H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \ge q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  and  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is tame for all  $i \le g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  (see Theorems 2.8 and 2.9). Furthermore, we prove that if  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) = 2$ , then  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{2}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian if and only if  $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian (see Theorem 2.13).

For notation and terminology not given in this paper, the reader is referred to [3,4], if necessary.

## 2 Main Results

We keep the notation and hypotheses given in the introduction and continue with the following definition.

**Definition 2.1** (i) An *R*-module *T* is said to be  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite if Supp  $T \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(R/\mathfrak{a}, T)$  is finitely generated *R*-module for all  $i \geq 0$ .

(ii) For a graded ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  in R, the generalized homological finite length dimension of N and M with respect to  $\mathfrak{a}$  is defined as

 $g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) = \inf \left\{ i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \ell_{R_0} H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)_n = \infty \text{ for finitely many } n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\},\$ 

where we denote by  $\ell_{R_0} T$  the length over  $R_0$  of T for an  $R_0$ -module T. Also, the notation  $q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is the largest non-negative integer i such that  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is not Artinian R-module.

In addition, for an ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  in R, the cohomological dimension of M and N with respect to  $\mathfrak{a}$  is denoted by  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ . Thus,  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is the largest non-negative integer i such that  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is non-zero and finiteness dimension of M and N with respect to  $\mathfrak{a}$ , denoted  $f_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ , is defined by

$$f_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) = \inf \{ i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) \text{ is not finitely generated} \}.$$

**Theorem 2.2** Let t be a non-negative integer such that  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian for all i < t. Then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is a-cofinite for all i < t.

**Proof** We prove this by induction on  $t \ge 0$ . If t = 0, then the result is clear. Assume that t > 0, and the result holds for t-1. In view of [5, Corollary 2.3] and our hypotheses, in conjunction with the fact that  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}+Ann(M)}(M, N) \cong H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ , we see that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)$  is Artinian. Therefore,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)) \cong H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{i}(M, N)$$

is Artinian for all  $i \ge 0$ . From the exact sequence  $0 \to \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \to N \to N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \to 0$ , we get the long exact sequence

$$H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)) \xrightarrow{\phi_{i}} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) \xrightarrow{\psi_{i}} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)) \xrightarrow{\lambda_{i}} H^{i+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N))$$

for all  $i \ge 0$ . We split the above exact sequence into the following two exact sequences:

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \phi_i \longrightarrow H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \psi_i \longrightarrow 0,$$
  
$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \psi_i \longrightarrow H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \lambda_i \longrightarrow 0.$$

Note that im  $\phi_i$  and im  $\lambda_i$  are Artinian and finitely generated *R*-module. It follows that for all  $i \ge 0$ ,  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite if and only if the same is true for  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N))$ . Hence, we assume that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) = 0$ . Then the ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  contains an element *x* that avoids all members of Ass *N*. Therefore, the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow N \xrightarrow{x} N \longrightarrow N/xN \longrightarrow 0$$

induces a long exact sequence

$$H^{i-1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \xrightarrow{x} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN).$$

By using the above exact sequence in conjunction with the inductive hypothesis we see that the *R*-module  $(0:_{H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)}x)$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite. Therefore, in view of [9, Theorem 4.1],  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite and Artinian.

**Theorem 2.3** Let r be a non-negative integer and let X be an arbitrary R-module such that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(R/\mathfrak{a}^{n}, X)$  is finitely generated for any  $i \leq r$ . Let  $H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{i}(M, X)$  be  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all i < r. Then  $H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{i}(M, X)/\mathfrak{a}H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{i}(M, X)$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{i}(M, X))$  are finitely generated for all  $i \leq r$ .

**Proof** If i < r, then the conclusion is clear by [10, Corollary 1.2]. Thus, we consider the case where i = r. We argue by induction on r. If r = 0, then  $H^0_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, X) \cong$  Hom $(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X))$ . Hence, the result is true by the assumption as well as [3, Theorem 1.2.11] and [9, Theorem 2.1]. Now, inductively assume that r > 0 and that the assertion has been proved for r - 1. Since  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X)) \cong \operatorname{Ext}^i_R(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X))$ , by using the exact sequence  $0 \to \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X) \to X \to X/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X) \to 0$  and our hypotheses, we have that  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, X)$  is a-cofinite for all i < r if and only if  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, X/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X))$  is a-cofinite for all i < r. On the other hand, Hom $(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, X/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X))$  is finitely generated for all  $i \le r$ . Thus, we may assume that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(X) = 0$ . Let *E* be an injective hull of *X* and put L = E/X. Then  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(E) = 0$ . Consequently,  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_R(R/\mathfrak{a}^n, L) \cong \operatorname{Ext}^{i+1}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}^n, X)$  and  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, L) \cong H^{i+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, L)$  or all  $i \ge 0$ . Now the induction hypothesis yields that Hom $(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^{i-1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, L))$  and  $H^{r-1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, L)$  are finitely generated, and hence

Hom
$$(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^r_\mathfrak{a}(M, X))$$
 and  $H^r_\mathfrak{a}(M, X)/\mathfrak{a}H^r_\mathfrak{a}(M, X)$ 

are finitely generated.

**Corollary 2.4** Let r be a non-negative integer. Let  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  be  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all i < r. Then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{m}H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \leq r$ .

**Proof** Using Theorem 2.3,  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{a}H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is finitely generated for all  $i \leq r$ . So,  $R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{a}H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is finitely generated for all  $i \leq r$ . Therefore, since the radical of annihilator of  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/(\mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a})H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  equals  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}_0 + R_+$ , the *R*-module  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{m}H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \leq r$ . This proves the claim.

**Theorem 2.5** Let T be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite module. Then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(T)$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all  $i \ge 0$ .

**Proof** It is enough, in view of  $H_{\mathfrak{b}_0}^i(T) \cong H_{\mathfrak{b}_0}^i(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(T)) \cong H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(T)$ , to show that the *R*-module  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(T)$  is Artinian and a-cofinite. We use induction on *i*. Since *T* is a-cofinite,  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(T)$  is Artinian and a-cofinite by [10, Corollary 1.8]. Thus,  $T/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(T)$  is a-cofinite. Now suppose, inductively, that i > 0 and we have shown that  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{i-1}(T')$  is Artinian and a-cofinite for any a-cofinite *R*-module *T'*. Now  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(T) \cong$  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(T/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(T))$  for i > 0. We can assume that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(T) = 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{m} \notin \operatorname{Ass}(T)$ , and since the set  $\operatorname{Ass}(T)$  is finite (see [10, Corollary 1.4]), we can, by prime avoidance, take an element  $x \in \mathfrak{m} - \bigcup_{\mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Ass} T} \mathfrak{p}$ . From the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow T \xrightarrow{x} T \longrightarrow T/xT \longrightarrow 0,$$

we get that T/xT is a-cofinite. This yields the exact sequence

$$H^{i-1}_{\mathfrak{m}}(T/xT) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}}(T) \xrightarrow{x} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}}(T) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}}(T/xT).$$

One can deduce from the above exact sequence, by using the inductive hypothesis, that the *R*-module  $(0:_{H^i_{\mathfrak{m}}(T)}x)$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite. It follows  $H^i_{\mathfrak{m}}(T)$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite by [9, Proposition 4.1].

**Corollary 2.6** Let r be a non-negative integer. Let  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  be  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all i < r. Then  $H^j_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all i < r and  $j \ge 0$ . In addition,  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0R}(H^r_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite.

**Proof** If i < r, then, in view of Theorem 2.5,  $H^j_{\mathfrak{b}_0R}(H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M, N))$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite for all  $j \ge 0$ . On the other hand, using Theorem 2.3,  $\operatorname{Hom}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^r_\mathfrak{a}(M, N))$  is finitely generated. This fact implies that

 $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(\operatorname{Hom}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^{r}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))) \cong \Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(0:_{H^{r}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)}\mathfrak{a})$  $\cong (0:_{\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_{0}R}(H^{r}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))}\mathfrak{a}) \cong (0:_{\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}R}(H^{r}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))}\mathfrak{a})$ 

has finite length, by [3, Theorem 7.1.3]. Now, it follows from [9, Proposition 4.1] that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^r_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite.

**Proposition 2.7** Let  $i \ge 0$ . Then the *R*-modules  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$  and  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$  are Artinian and tame.

**Proof** Using [3, Theorem 7.1.3],  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N)) \cong H^i_{\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{b}_0}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N)) \cong H^i_{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$  is Artinian. In view of [6, Theorem 2.1],  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$  is Artinian and tame.

**Theorem 2.8** Let  $i \ge q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) = q$ . Then  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{b}_{0}H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian and tame.

**Proof** When  $i > q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ , the result is obvious by the definition of  $q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ . So, it only remains to show that  $H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)/\mathfrak{b}_{0}H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is an Artinian *R*-module. We prove the result by induction on  $d = \dim N$ . If d = 0, then  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) = H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(N)) = H^{i}_{\mathfrak{m}}(N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \ge 0$ . As a result of [6, Theorem 2.1],  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is Artinian for all  $i \ge 0$ , and there is nothing to prove. So, suppose that d > 0 and that the result has been proved for d - 1. In view of the long exact sequence of generalized local cohomology modules that is induced by the exact sequence  $0 \to \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(N) \to N \to 0$ 

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 $N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N) \to 0$  and Proposition 2.7, we have  $q_\mathfrak{a}(M, N) = q_\mathfrak{a}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$ . Now, consider the exact sequence

$$H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{0}}}(N)) \xrightarrow{\psi} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{0}}}(N)) \xrightarrow{\phi} H^{i+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{0}}}(N)),$$

which induces the following two exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \psi \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \longrightarrow \ker \phi \longrightarrow 0,$$
$$0 \longrightarrow \ker \phi \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(N)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \phi \longrightarrow 0$$

Therefore, we can obtain the following two exact sequences:

(2.1) 
$$\longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes \operatorname{im} \psi \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M,N) \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes \ker \phi \longrightarrow 0$$

$$(2.2) \ R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes \ker \phi \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^{\prime}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N)) \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes \operatorname{im} \phi \longrightarrow 0.$$

In view of Proposition 2.7, im  $\psi$  and im  $\phi$  are Artinian, and hence so are im  $\psi/\mathfrak{b}_0$  im  $\psi$ and im  $\phi/\mathfrak{b}_0$  im  $\phi$ . According to the exact sequences (2.1) and (2.2), we can easily conclude that  $R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M, N)$  is Artinian if and only if  $R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M, N/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N))$ is Artinian. We can assume that  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(N) = 0$ . The last fact implies that there is an element  $x \in \mathfrak{b}_0$  that is an *N*-sequence, and hence there is the following exact sequence of *R*-modules

$$(2.3) \qquad H^{i-1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \xrightarrow{x} H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) \longrightarrow H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN).$$

Therefore, the exact sequence (2.3) yields  $q_a(M, N/xN) \le q_a(M, N)$  and induces an exact sequence of *R*-modules and *R*-homomorphisms

$$(2.4) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)/xH^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) \longrightarrow H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N/xN) \xrightarrow{\lambda} H^{q+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)$$

If we apply the functor  $Tor_i^{R_0}(R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0, \mathfrak{)}$  to the exact sequence (2.4), we have the following exact sequence

$$Tor_1^{R_0}(R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0, \operatorname{im} \lambda) \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^q_\mathfrak{a}(M, N)/xH^q_\mathfrak{a}(M, N) \longrightarrow R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \otimes H^q_\mathfrak{a}(M, N/xN) \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} \lambda \otimes R_0/\mathfrak{b}_0 \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since im  $\lambda$  is Artinian, it is seen that  $\operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R_{0}}(R_{0}/\mathfrak{b}_{0}, \operatorname{im} \lambda)$  is Artinian. If

$$q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN) = q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N),$$

by using last exact sequence in conjunction with the inductive hypothesis and  $x \in b_0$ , we see that the *R*-module

$$H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)/\mathfrak{b}_{0}H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) = R_{0}/\mathfrak{b}_{0} \otimes H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)/xH^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)$$

is Artinian and tame. If  $q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN) < q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ , then  $H^{q}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N/xN)$  is Artinian. Again we can use the above exact sequence to obtain the result.

**Theorem 2.9** Let  $i \leq g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ . Then  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is tame. Furthermore, if  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)_n$  is a finitely generated  $R_0$ -module for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is an Artinian R-module.

**Proof** If  $i < g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ , then in view of the definition of  $g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ ,  $\ell_{R_0}H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)_n$  is finite for all  $n \ll 0$  and the result is clear. Consider the Grothendieck spectral sequence [10, Theorem 11.38]

$$(E_2^{p,i})_n = H^p_{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{a}}}(H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)_n) \stackrel{p}{\Longrightarrow} H^{p+i}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M,N)_n.$$

It is easy to see that there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that, for all  $n < n_0$ ,  $(E_2^{p,i})_n = 0$  for all  $i < g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Now, the convergence of the above spectral sequence implies that  $H^0_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)_n) \cong H^g_{\mathfrak{m}}(M,N)_n$  for all  $n < n_0$ . Since all graded Artinian *R*-modules are tame, it is seen that  $H^0_{\mathfrak{b}_0R}(H^g_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))$  is tame. The last part of the theorem follows from Kirby's Artinian criterion [8, Theorem 1].

**Theorem 2.10** Let t be a non-negative integer and let  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^j_\mathfrak{a}(M, N))$  be Artinian for all  $j \neq t$  and for all i. Then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^t_\mathfrak{a}(M, N))$  is Artinian for all i.

**Proof** Using [10, Theorem 11.38] there exists a Grothendieck spectral sequence

$$(E_2^{p,q})_n = H^p_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)_n) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M,N)_n.$$

Also, there is a bounded filtration

$$0 = \phi^{n+1} H^n \subseteq \phi^n H^n \subseteq \dots \subseteq \phi^1 H^n \subseteq \phi^0 H^n = H^n_{\mathfrak{m}}(M, N)$$

such that  $E_{\infty}^{i,n-i} = \phi^i H^n / \phi^{i+1} H^n$  for all  $0 \le i \le n$ , and hence  $E_{\infty}^{p,q}$  is Artinian. Note that  $E_{\infty}^{p,q} = E_r^{p,q}$  for large r and each p and q. It follows that there is an integer  $\ell \ge 2$  such that  $E_r^{p,q}$  is Artinian for all  $r \ge \ell$ . We now argue by descending induction on  $\ell$ . Assume that  $2 < \ell < r$  and that the claim holds for  $\ell$ . Since  $E_r^{p,q}$  is a subquotient of  $E_2^{p,q}$  for all  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , the hypotheses give that  $E_r^{p+r,t-r+1}$  is Artinian for all  $r \ge 2$ . In addition,

$$E_{\ell}^{p,t} = \ker d_{\ell-1}^{p,t} / \operatorname{im} d_{\ell-1}^{p-\ell+1,t+\ell-2}$$

and im  $d_{\ell-1}^{p-\ell+1,t+\ell-2}$  are Artinian for all  $p \ge 0$ . It follows that ker  $d_{\ell-1}^{p,t}$  is Artinian for all  $\ell > 2$  and  $p \ge 0$ . Let  $r \ge 2$  and  $p \ge 0$ . We consider the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \ker d_r^{p,t} \longrightarrow E_r^{p,t} \longrightarrow E_r^{p+r,t-r+1}$$

Since both ker  $d_{\ell-1}^{p,t}$  and  $E_{\ell-1}^{p+\ell-1,t-\ell+2}$  are Artinian, it follows that  $E_{\ell-1}^{p,t}$  is Artinian for  $p \ge 0$ . This completes the inductive step.

**Proposition 2.11** Let  $f = f_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) = cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ . Then  $H^{j}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}R}(H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian for all *i* and *j*.

**Proof** If i < f, then, in view of the definition of  $f_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ ,  $H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite R-module. It follows from Theorem 2.5 that  $H^{j}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is Artinian and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite. On the other hand  $H^{j}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)) = 0$  for all i > f. Therefore, in view of the spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p_{\mathfrak{h}_{\mathfrak{a}}}(H^q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)) \stackrel{p}{\Longrightarrow} H^{p+q}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M,N),$$

the result follows by similar argument as used in Theorem 2.10.

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As an application of Proposition 2.11, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.12** Let  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) = 1$ . Then  $H^{j}_{\mathfrak{b}_0R}(H^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))$  is Artinian for all *i* and *j*.

**Theorem 2.13** Let  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N) = 2$ . Then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^2_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is an Artinian *R*-module if and only  $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^1_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N))$  is an Artinian *R*-module.

Proof Using [10, Theorem 11.38] there exists a Grothendieck spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^q_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}_{\mathfrak{m}}(M,N).$$

Also, there is a bounded filtration

$$0 = \phi^{n+1}H^n \subseteq \phi^n H^n \subseteq \dots \subseteq \phi^1 H^n \subseteq \phi^0 H^n = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{p+q}(M, N)$$

such that  $E_{\infty}^{i,n-i} \cong \phi^i H^n / \phi^{i+1} H^n$  for all *i*, and hence  $E_{\infty}^{p,q}$  is Artinian for all *p*, *q*. Note that  $E_{\infty}^{p,q} = E_r^{p,q}$  for large *r* and each *p* and *q*. For all  $r \ge 2$  and  $p, q \ge 0$ , we consider the exact sequence

(2.5) 
$$0 \longrightarrow \ker d_r^{p,q} \longrightarrow E_r^{p,q} \xrightarrow{d_r^{p,q}} E_r^{p+r,q-r+1} \xrightarrow{d_r^{p+r,q-r+1}} \longrightarrow$$

In view of the definition of  $cd_{\mathfrak{a}}(M, N)$ ,  $(E_2^{p,q})_n = 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and q > 2. On the other hand,  $E_{r+1}^{p,q} \cong \ker d_r^{p,q} / \operatorname{im} d_r^{p-r,q+r-1}$  imply that  $E_{r+1}^{i,r} \cong \ker d_r^{i,2}$  and

$$E_2^{i+2,1}/\operatorname{im} d_2^{i,2} \cong \ker d_2^{i+2,1}/\operatorname{im} d_2^{i,2} \cong E_3^{i+2,1}.$$

Now, we use the exact sequence (2.5) to obtain exact sequences

$$(2.6) 0 \longrightarrow (E_{\infty}^{i,2})_n \longrightarrow H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R} (H^2_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))_n \longrightarrow \operatorname{im}(d_2^{i,2})_n \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$(2.7) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{im}(d_2^{i,2})_n \longrightarrow H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R} \big( H^1_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N) \big)_n \longrightarrow (E^{i+2,1}_{\infty})_n \longrightarrow 0,$$

which in turn yield the exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow (0:_{(E_{\infty}^{i,2})_{n}} R_{1}) \longrightarrow (0:_{H_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}R}^{i}(H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{2}(M,N))_{n}} R_{1}) \longrightarrow (0:_{\mathrm{im}(d_{2}^{i,2})_{n}} R_{1}),$$
  
$$0 \longrightarrow (0:_{\mathrm{im}(d_{2}^{i,2})_{n}} R_{1}) \longrightarrow (0:_{H_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}R}^{i+2}(H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{1}(M,N))_{n}} R_{1}) \longrightarrow (0:_{(E_{\infty}^{i+2,1})_{n}} R_{1}).$$

Note that for each  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $E_{\infty}^{i,j}$  is an Artinian graded *R*-module. Therefore, using Kirby's Artinian criterion ([8, Theorem 1]), we deduce that

$$\left(0:_{(E_{\infty}^{i+2,1})_{n}}R_{1}\right)=0=\left(0:_{(E_{\infty}^{i,2})_{n}}R_{1}\right)$$

for  $n \ll 0$ . Now, we can use the last two displayed exact sequences to see that  $(0:_{H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^2_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))_n}R_1) = 0$  for all  $n \ll 0$  if and only if  $(0:_{H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{b}_0}(H^1_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))_n}R_1) = 0$  for all  $n \ll 0$ . In addition, since

$$H^{i}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}R}(H^{j}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N))_{n} \cong H^{i}_{\mathfrak{b}_{0}}(H^{j}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M,N)_{n})$$

for all  $i \ge 0$  and all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^j_\mathfrak{a}(M,N))_n = 0$  for all  $n \gg 0$ . Again, using the fact that  $E^{i,j}_{\infty}$  is an Artinian graded *R*-module, together with exact sequences (2.6) and (2.7), we see that  $H^{i+2}_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^1_\mathfrak{a}(M,N))_n$  is an Artinian  $R_0$ -module for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  if and only if  $H^i_{\mathfrak{b}_0 R}(H^2_\mathfrak{a}(M,N))_n$  is an Artinian  $R_0$ -module for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore, in view of [8, Theorem 1], the result follows.

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