

## COTORSION THEORIES AND COLOCALIZATION

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**Introduction.** Let  $R$  be an associative ring with unit element.  $\text{Mod-}R$  and  $R\text{-Mod}$  will denote the categories of unitary right and left  $R$ -modules, respectively, and all modules are assumed to be in  $\text{Mod-}R$  unless otherwise specified. For all  $M, N \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  will usually be abbreviated as  $[M, N]$ . For the definitions of basic terms, and an exposition on torsion theories in  $\text{Mod-}R$ , the reader is referred to Lambek [6]. Jans [5] has called a class of modules which is closed under submodules, direct products, homomorphic images, group extensions, and isomorphic images a *TTF* (torsion-torsionfree) class. Since such a class  $\mathcal{T}$  is not closed under injective hulls, while a torsionfree class is closed under injective hulls, we find this terminology misleading and shall instead (following a suggestion by J. Golan) call  $\mathcal{T}$  a *Jansian* class from now on. (A torsion class  $\mathcal{T}$  which is closed under injective hulls is called *stable*, and hence a stable Jansian class is a true torsion-torsionfree class.)

If  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  is a torsion theory then modules in  $\mathcal{T}$  are called *torsion*, and modules in  $\mathcal{F}$  are called *torsionfree*. Each  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  has a unique maximal torsion submodule, denoted by  $\mathcal{T}(M)$ . (It is the unique submodule  $X \subseteq M$  such that  $X$  is torsion and  $M/X$  is torsionfree.) A submodule  $D$  of  $M$  is called *dense* if  $M/D$  is torsion. Let  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  denote the set of all dense right ideals of  $R$ .  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  forms an *idempotent* (or *Gabriel*) *filter*, i.e. it satisfies the following conditions:

- (0)  $R \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ ,
- (1)  $D \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $D \subseteq K \Rightarrow K \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ ,
- (2)  $D \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $r \in R \Rightarrow (r : D) \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , where  $(r : D) = \{x \in R \mid rx \in D\}$ ,
- (3)  $D \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $(d : K) \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  for all  $d \in D \Rightarrow D \cap K \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

Gabriel [4] has shown that there is a one-to-one correspondence between torsion classes in  $\text{Mod-}R$  and idempotent filters of right ideals of  $R$ : to a torsion class  $\mathcal{T}$  associate the idempotent filter  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , and to an idempotent filter  $\mathcal{D}$  associate the torsion class  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{D}} = \{M \in \text{Mod-}R \mid (m : 0) \in \mathcal{D} \text{ for all } m \in M\}$ .

Jans [5] showed that a torsion class  $\mathcal{T}$  is a Jansian class if and only if  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  contains a unique minimal right ideal  $T$ , in which case  $T$  is an idempotent two-sided ideal, and  $T = \mathcal{C}(R)$  where  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is the pre-torsion theory with  $\mathcal{T}$  as the pre-torsionfree class. Thus there is a one-to-one correspondence between Jansian classes and idempotent ideals of  $R$ , with the inverse correspondence given by  $T \rightarrow \{M \in \text{Mod-}R \mid MT = 0\}$ .

Given an injective module  $I_R$ , one can form the largest torsion theory for which  $I$  is torsionfree (where  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F}) \subseteq (\mathcal{T}', \mathcal{F}')$  if  $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ ), and in fact

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every torsion theory is of this form for some injective  $I$ . For a given torsion theory  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$ , a module  $M$  is called *divisible* (or  $\mathcal{T}$ -*injective*) if  $I(M)/M \in \mathcal{F}$ , where  $I(M)$  denotes the injective hull of  $M$ . Every module  $M$  has a *divisible hull*  $D(M)$  defined by  $D(M)/M = \mathcal{T}(I(M)/M)$ . One also defines the *quotient module*  $Q(M)$  of  $M$  by  $Q(M) = D(M/\mathcal{T}(M))$ .  $Q(M)$  is also called the *localization* of  $M$  at  $I$ , where  $I$  is an injective module such that  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  is the largest torsion theory for which  $I$  is torsionfree.

**1. Cotorsion theories.** Let  $P_R$  be a projective module, let  $E = [P, P]$ , and let  $P^* = [P, R]$ . As mentioned above, every torsion theory can be thought of as the largest torsion theory for which some injective module  $I_R$  is torsionfree, where a module  $M$  is torsion if and only if  $[M, I] = 0$ . We dualize this in the following definitions:

*Definition 1.1.* (a) A module  $M$  is *cotorsion* if  $[P, M] = 0$ .

(b) A module  $M$  is *cotorsionfree* if  $[M, X] = 0$  for all  $X$  cotorsion.

(c) If  $\mathcal{T}^*$  denotes the class of cotorsion modules, and  $\mathcal{F}^*$  the class of cotorsionfree modules, then  $(\mathcal{F}^*, \mathcal{T}^*)$  is a *cotorsion theory*.

(d)  $\epsilon(M)$  is the evaluation mapping  $[P, M] \otimes_E P \rightarrow M$ , i.e.,  $\epsilon(M)(\sum g_i \otimes p_i) = \sum g_i(p_i)$ .

(e)  $T = \epsilon(R)(P^* \otimes_E P)$ , the trace ideal of  $P$ .

The following lemma appears in [12, Proposition 1.2], and is easily proved.

LEMMA 1.2.  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  is cotorsion if and only if  $MT = 0$ .

The equivalence of (2) and (5) in the next proposition also has been noted by Sandomierski [12, Proposition 1.2].

PROPOSITION 1.3. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , the following conditions are equivalent:

(1)  $M$  is cotorsionfree.

(2)  $MT = M$ .

(3)  $M \otimes_R R/T = 0$ .

(4)  $\epsilon(M)$  is an epimorphism.

(5)  $M$  is an epimorphic image of a direct sum of copies of  $P$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2)  $M/MT$  is cotorsion since  $(M/MT)T = 0$ , hence the projection mapping  $M \rightarrow M/MT = 0$ . Conversely, for all  $X$  cotorsion, and all  $\varphi \in [M, X]$ ,  $\varphi(M) = \varphi(MT) = \varphi(M)T \subseteq XT = 0$ .

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3)  $M/MT \cong M \otimes_R R/T$ .

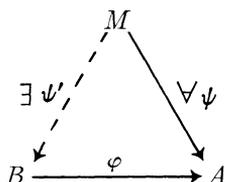
(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4)  $\text{Im } \epsilon(M) = MT$ .

(4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5) This is clear.

Since  $T^2 = T$  and  $PT = P$ ,  $MT^2 = MT$  and  $([P, M] \otimes_E P)T = [P, M] \otimes_E P$  for any  $M$  in  $\text{Mod-}R$ , and thus  $MT$  and  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  are cotorsionfree. The class  $\mathcal{T}^*$  of cotorsion modules is closed under submodules, direct products, homomorphic images, group extensions, and isomorphic images, i.e. it is a

Jansian class. The class  $\mathcal{F}^*$  of cotorsionfree modules is closed under homomorphic images, direct sums, group extensions, isomorphic images, and by [11, Proposition 1] minimal epimorphisms (and hence projective covers if they exist).

*Definition 1.4.* A module  $M$  is *codivisible* if for any epimorphism  $\varphi: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion, any homomorphism  $M \rightarrow A$  can be extended to a homomorphism  $M \rightarrow B$ , i.e.,



PROPOSITION 1.5. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is codivisible.

*Proof.* We prove that for any  $H \in \text{Mod-}E$ ,  $H \otimes_E P$  is codivisible. Let  $\varphi: B \rightarrow A$  be any epimorphism such that  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion. Let  $\psi$  be any homomorphism:  $H \otimes_E P \rightarrow A$ . Define  $\psi_h: P \rightarrow A$  by  $\psi_h(p) = \psi(h \otimes p)$  for all  $h \in H, p \in P$ . Then since  $P$  is projective there exists  $\psi'_h: P \rightarrow B$  such that  $\varphi\psi'_h = \psi_h$ . Define  $\alpha: H \times_E P \rightarrow B$  by  $\alpha((h, p)) = \psi'_h(p)$ . Since  $P$  is projective and  $[P, \text{Ker } \varphi] = 0, [P, B] \cong [P, A]$ , and it is now easily shown that  $\alpha$  is bilinear. Therefore there exists  $\psi': H \otimes_E P \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\varphi\psi'(\sum h_i \otimes p_i) = \varphi(\sum \psi_{h_i}(p_i)) = \sum \psi_{h_i}(p_i) = \sum \psi(h_i \otimes p_i) = \psi(\sum h_i \otimes p_i)$$

for all  $\sum h_i \otimes p_i \in H \otimes_E P$ . Thus  $\varphi\psi' = \psi$ , and hence  $H \otimes_E P$  is codivisible.

PROPOSITION 1.6. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R, \text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is cotorsion.

*Proof.* Let  $\sum f_i \otimes p_i \in [P, M] \otimes_E P$  such that  $\epsilon(M)(\sum f_i \otimes p_i) = \sum f_i(p_i) = 0$ . Then for all  $f \in P^*$  and  $p \in P, (\sum f_i \otimes p_i)f(p) = \sum f_i \otimes p_i f(p) = \sum f_i p_i f \otimes p = 0$ , since for all  $x \in P, (\sum f_i p_i f)(x) = \sum f_i(p_i f(x)) = \sum (f_i(p_i))f(x) = (\sum f_i(p_i))f(x) = 0$ . Therefore  $(\sum f_i \otimes p_i)T = 0$ , and  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is cotorsion.

COROLLARY 1.7.  $P$  is a generator  $\Leftrightarrow \epsilon(M)$  is an isomorphism for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ .

*Proof.*  $P$  is a generator  $\Leftrightarrow T = R$ , i.e.  $\epsilon(R)$  is an epimorphism,  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } \epsilon(M) = 0$  and  $MT = M$  for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R \Leftrightarrow \epsilon(M)$  is an isomorphism for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ .

The next theorem is due mainly to Miller [10, Theorem 2.1], in particular the equivalence of statements (2) to (7). (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5) was also proved by Azumaya [1, Theorem 6], along with several more equivalent statements. First

we need a lemma, which also appeared in [10], but without proof. Since the proof is not completely trivial, we include it here.

**LEMMA 1.8.** *Let  $\mathcal{H} = \{X \in \text{Mod-}R \mid X'T = X' \text{ for all } X' \subseteq X\}$ . Then  $X \in \mathcal{H}$  if and only if  $x \in xT$  for all  $x \in X$ . Also,  $\mathcal{H}$  is a torsion class (i.e. it is closed under submodules, direct sums, homomorphic images, group extensions, and isomorphic images).*

*Proof.* Let  $X \in \mathcal{H}$ , then for all  $x \in X$ ,  $xR = xRT = xT$ , and therefore  $x \in xT$ . Conversely, let  $X' \subseteq X$ . Then for all  $x \in X'$ ,  $x \in xT$  and hence  $X' = X'T$ . Thus  $X \in \mathcal{H}$ . The non-trivial step in proving that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a torsion class is to show that it is closed under direct sums, and this is done by an argument given by Chase [2, Proposition 2.2]. Let  $X = \bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i$ , where  $X_i \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $i \in I$ . Let  $X' \subseteq X$ , and let  $x_{i_1} + \dots + x_{i_n} \in X'$ . We will show by induction on  $n$  that there exists  $t \in T$  such that  $x_{i_j} = x_{i_j}t$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . It is true for  $n = 1$  since each  $X_i \in \mathcal{H}$ . Assume it is true for  $n = k - 1$ , and let  $t_k \in T$  such that  $x_{i_k} = x_{i_k}t_k$ . Then there exists  $t' \in T$  such that  $x_{i_j} - x_{i_j}t_k = (x_{i_j} - x_{i_j}t_k)t'$  for  $j = 1, \dots, k - 1$ . Let  $t = t' - t_k t' + t_k$ , then  $x_{i_j}t = x_{i_j}t' - x_{i_j}t_k t' + x_{i_j}t_k = x_{i_j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, k - 1$ , and  $x_{i_k}t = x_{i_k}t' - x_{i_k}t_k t' + x_{i_k}t_k = x_{i_k}$ . Hence it is true for all  $n$ , and therefore  $X' \in \mathcal{H}$ , since  $x_{i_1} + \dots + x_{i_n} \in (x_{i_1} + \dots + x_{i_n})T$ .

**THEOREM 1.9.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\mathcal{F}^*$ , the class of cotorsion modules, is closed under injective hulls.
- (2)  $\mathcal{F}^*$ , the class of cotorsionfree modules, is closed under submodules. i.e.,  $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{H}$ .
- (3)  $P \in \mathcal{H}$ .
- (4)  $T \in \mathcal{H}$ .
- (5)  $R/T$  is flat as a left  $R$ -module.
- (6)  $(p:0) + T = R$  for all  $p \in P$ .
- (7)  $(t:0) + T = R$  for all  $t \in T$ .
- (8) Every cotorsionfree module is codivisible.
- (9)  $F: M \rightarrow M/MT$  for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  is an exact functor.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) This is well known.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) Since  $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}^*$  is a torsion class by Lemma 1.8, and thus has a corresponding idempotent filter  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}^*}$ . Since  $T \in \mathcal{F}^*$ ,  $(t:0) \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}^*}$  for  $t \in T$ , i.e.,  $R/(t:0) \in \mathcal{F}^*$  and hence  $(t:0) + T = R$ .

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $R = (t:0) + T$  for  $t \in T$ , and therefore  $1 = x + t'$  for some  $x \in (t:0)$  and  $t' \in T$ , for any  $t \in T$ . Hence  $t = tx + tt' = tt' \in tT$ , for  $t \in T$ , and  ${}_R(R/T)$  is flat by [2, Proposition 2.2].

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $X \in \mathcal{F}^*$ , then for all  $X' \subseteq X$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow X' \otimes_R R/T \rightarrow X \otimes_R R/T$$

is exact since  ${}_R(R/T)$  is flat. But then  $X' \otimes_R R/T = 0$  since  $X \otimes_R R/T = 0$  by Proposition 1.3, and  $X' \in \mathcal{F}^*$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{H}$ .

(3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (6) By Lemma 1.8, for all  $p \in P$  there exists  $t \in T$  such that  $p = pt$ . Therefore  $p(1 - t) = 0$ , i.e.,  $(1 - t) \in (p:0)$ , and  $R = (p:0) + T$  for all  $p \in P$ . Conversely, if  $(p:0) + T = R$  for  $p \in P$ , then  $1 = x + t$  for some  $x \in (p:0)$  and  $t \in T$ , for all  $p \in P$ . Hence  $p = px + pt = pt \in pT$  for  $p \in P$ , and  $P \in \mathcal{H}$  by Lemma 1.8.

(4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (7) This is proved in the same way as (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (6).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) This is clear.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $X \in \mathcal{F}^*$ . Then by Proposition 1.3,  $X$  is an epimorphic image of a direct sum of copies of  $P$ . But  $P \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  is a torsion class, hence  $X \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{H}$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (9) Let

$$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$$

be an exact sequence in  $\text{Mod-}R$ . Then

$$A/AT \xrightarrow{f'} B/BT \xrightarrow{g'} C/CT \rightarrow 0$$

is always exact. Suppose  $f'(a + AT) = 0$ , i.e.,  $f(a) \in BT$ , for some  $a \in A$ . Then since  $\mathcal{F}^*$  is closed under submodules,  $f(a)R = f(a)RT = f(a)T$ , and therefore there exists  $t \in T$  such that  $f(a) = f(a)t = f(at)$ . But  $f$  is a monomorphism, and hence  $a = at$ , i.e.,  $a + AT = 0$ , and  $f'$  is a monomorphism.

(9)  $\Rightarrow$  (8)

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Ker } \epsilon(M) \longrightarrow [P, M] \otimes_E P \xrightarrow{\epsilon(M)} MT \longrightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , and therefore, in particular,

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ker } \epsilon(M)/(\text{Ker } \epsilon(M))T \rightarrow [P, M] \otimes_E P / ([P, M] \otimes_E P)T$$

is exact. But  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is cotorsionfree, and hence so is  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$ . By Proposition 1.6,  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is also cotorsion, and thus it is zero. Therefore  $MT \cong [P, M] \otimes_E P$ , and hence is codivisible by Proposition 1.5.

(8)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $M$  be a cotorsion module, i.e.,  $MT = 0$ . Let  $I(M)$  denote the injective hull of  $M$ . We show that  $I(M)T = 0$  also. Let  $\pi$  be the projection map:  $I(M)T \rightarrow I(M)T/I(M)T \cap M$ .  $I(M)T/I(M)T \cap M$  is cotorsionfree and hence codivisible, and  $I(M)T \cap M = \text{Ker } \pi$  is cotorsion since  $M$  is cotorsion. Therefore there exists  $f: I(M)T/I(M)T \cap M \rightarrow I(M)T$  such that  $\pi f = 1_{I(M)T/I(M)T \cap M}$ , and hence  $I(M)T \cap M$  is a direct summand of  $I(M)T$ . But  $M$  essential in  $I(M)$  then implies  $I(M)T = I(M)T \cap M$ . Thus  $I(M)T = I(M)T^2 \subseteq MT = 0$ .

**2. Colocalization.** The next result is the dual of a well-known characterization of the localization of  $M$  at  $I$ . (See, e.g., [8, Proposition 1.1].)

PROPOSITION 2.1. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , let  $\varphi: X \rightarrow M$  and  $\psi: Y \rightarrow M$  be homomorphisms with cotorsion kernels and cokernels, where  $X$  and  $Y$  are cotorsionfree and codivisible modules. Then  $X \cong Y$ .

*Proof.* Since  $X$  is cotorsionfree,  $X = XT$  and therefore  $\varphi(X) \subseteq MT$ . But  $\text{Cok } \varphi = M/\varphi(X)$  is cotorsion, and therefore  $MT \subseteq \varphi(X)$ . Hence  $\varphi(X) = MT$ , and similarly  $\psi(Y) = MT$ . We may regard  $\varphi$  as an epimorphism from  $X$  to  $MT$ , and  $\psi$  as an epimorphism from  $Y$  to  $MT$ . Since  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion and  $Y$  is codivisible, there exists  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  such that  $\varphi f = \psi$ . Similarly there exists  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $\psi g = \varphi$ . Then  $\varphi(1_X - fg) = \varphi - \varphi fg = \varphi - \psi g = \varphi - \varphi = 0$ , and therefore  $(1_X - fg): X \rightarrow \text{Ker } \varphi$ . Hence  $1_X = fg$  since  $X$  is cotorsionfree and  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion. Similarly  $1_Y = gf$ , and  $X \cong Y$ .

We are now able to make the following definition.

Definition 2.2. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $\varphi: X \rightarrow M$  is (up to isomorphism) the colocalization of  $M$  at  $P$  if  $X$  is cotorsionfree and codivisible, and  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  and  $\text{Cok } \varphi$  are cotorsion.

Given a projective module  $P$ , Lambek and Rattray [9] have constructed a cotriple  $(S', \epsilon', \delta')$  on  $\text{Mod-}R$ , and formed a colocalization of a module  $M$  at  $P$  by taking the coequalizer of the pair of mappings

$$S'(S'(M)) \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\epsilon' S'(M)} \\ \xrightarrow{S' \epsilon'(M)} \end{matrix} S'(M).$$

For  $P$  a finitely generated projective module, they showed that this colocalization of  $M$  at  $P$  is  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$ . The next theorem states that this is our colocalization of  $M$  at  $P$  for any projective  $P$ . We will later verify that the two colocalizations are the same for any projective  $P$ .

THEOREM 2.3. For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is the colocalization of  $M$  at  $P$ .

*Proof.* Since clearly  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is cotorsionfree and  $\text{Cok } \epsilon(M) = M/MT$  is cotorsion, the result follows from Propositions 1.5 and 1.6.

If we let  $F = - \otimes_E P: \text{Mod-}E \rightarrow \text{Mod-}R$  and  $U = [P, -]: \text{Mod-}R \rightarrow \text{Mod-}E$ , then  $F$  is the left adjoint of  $U$ , i.e. there exist natural transformations  $\eta: 1_{\text{Mod-}E} \rightarrow UF$ , given by  $\eta(B)(b)(p) = b \otimes p$  for all  $B \in \text{Mod-}E$ ,  $b \in B$ ,  $p \in P$ , and  $\epsilon: FU \rightarrow 1_{\text{Mod-}R}$ , given by  $\epsilon(A)(\sum g_i \otimes p_i) = \sum g_i(p_i)$  for all  $A \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $\sum g_i \otimes p_i \in [P, A] \otimes_E P$ , such that  $U\epsilon \circ \eta U = 1_U$  and  $\epsilon F \circ F\eta = 1_F$ .

We can then form the cotriple  $(S^* = FU, \epsilon, \delta)$  on  $\text{Mod-}R$ .  $S^*(M)$  is by Theorem 2.3 the colocalization of  $M$  at  $P$  for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ . The coequalizer of the mappings  $\epsilon S^*(M), S^* \epsilon(M): S^{*2}(M) \rightarrow S^*(M)$  is just the identity on  $S^*(M)$ , since  $\epsilon S^*(M)$  is an isomorphism and therefore  $\epsilon S^*(M) = S^* \epsilon(M)$  (since  $\epsilon S^*(M)\delta = 1_{S^*(M)} = S^* \epsilon(M)\delta$ ).

The dual situation (see [8, Section 3]) is more complicated. If  $I$  is an injective module and  $H = [I, I]$ , then  $[-, I]: \text{Mod-}R \rightarrow (H\text{-Mod})^{op}$  has a right adjoint

$\text{Hom}_H(-, {}_H I)$ . If we form the triple  $(S = \text{Hom}_H([- , I], {}_H I), \eta, \mu)$  arising from this pair of adjoint functors, then  $Q(M)$ , the localization of  $M$  at  $I$ , for all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , is given by the equalizer of the pair of mappings  $\eta S(M), S\eta(M): S(M) \rightarrow S^2(M)$ .  $S(M)$  is torsionfree and divisible, and  $\text{Ker } \eta(M)$  is torsion, but in general  $S(M) \neq Q(M)$ . (They are equal if  $[M, I]$  is a finitely generated left  $H$ -module.) In general, then,  $\text{Cok } \eta(M)$  is not torsion.

For example, let  $R = \mathbf{Z}$ . We take the largest torsion theory in  $\text{Mod-}\mathbf{Z}$  for which  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$  is torsionfree, where  $p$  is a prime number. A  $\mathbf{Z}$ -module  $M$  is torsion if and only if for all  $m \in M, (m:0) \not\subseteq p\mathbf{Z}$ , and  $Q(\mathbf{Z})$  is the usual localization of the commutative ring  $\mathbf{Z}$  at the prime ideal  $p\mathbf{Z}$ , i.e.,  $Q(\mathbf{Z})$  consists of all rational numbers whose denominators are prime to  $p$ . Every torsionfree factor module of  $Q(\mathbf{Z})$  is divisible (in fact, if  $D$  is any dense ideal  $DQ(\mathbf{Z}) = Q(\mathbf{Z})$  and hence the localization functor  $Q$  preserves all colimits), and therefore  $S(\mathbf{Z})$  is the  $I(\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z})$ -adic completion of  $Q(\mathbf{Z})$  [8, Theorem 4.2]. But the  $I(\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z})$ -adic topology on  $Q(\mathbf{Z})$  coincides with the  $p$ -adic topology [7, Proposition 4], and thus  $S(\mathbf{Z})$  is the ring of  $p$ -adic integers. But  $S(\mathbf{Z})/\mathbf{Z} = \text{Cok } (\eta(\mathbf{Z}): \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow S(\mathbf{Z}))$  is not torsion, since for all  $z + z_1p + z_2p^2 + \dots \in S(\mathbf{Z})$ , if there exists  $n, m \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $n \notin p\mathbf{Z}$  and  $n(z + z_1p + z_2p^2 + \dots) = m$ , then  $z + z_1p + z_2p^2 + \dots = m/n \in Q(\mathbf{Z})$ .

*Definition 2.4.*  $\varphi: X \rightarrow M$  is a *codivisible cover* of  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  if

- (1)  $\varphi$  is a minimal epimorphism;
- (2)  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion;
- (3)  $X$  is codivisible.

**PROPOSITION 2.5.** *If a module  $M$  has a codivisible cover, then it is unique up to isomorphism.*

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi: X \rightarrow M$  and  $\psi: Y \rightarrow M$  be codivisible covers of  $M$ . Then there exists  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $\psi f = \varphi$  since  $X$  is codivisible and  $\text{Ker } \psi$  is cotorsion.  $\varphi$  an epimorphism and  $\text{Ker } \psi$  small in  $Y$  implies that  $f$  is an epimorphism, and  $\text{Ker } f$  is cotorsion and small in  $X$  since  $\text{Ker } f \subseteq \text{Ker } \varphi$ . Therefore there exists  $g: Y \rightarrow X$  such that  $fg = 1_Y$ , hence  $X = g(Y) \oplus \text{Ker } f$ . But then  $\text{Ker } f = 0$  since  $\text{Ker } f$  is small in  $X$ , and hence  $f$  is an isomorphism.

We will show that if  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  has a projective cover, then it has a codivisible cover.

**LEMMA 2.6.** *If  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$  is codivisible and  $M' \subseteq M$  is a cotorsionfree submodule of  $M$ , then  $M/M'$  is codivisible.*

*Proof.* Let  $\pi: M \rightarrow M/M'$  be the projection map, and let  $\varphi: B \rightarrow A$  be any epimorphism with  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  cotorsion, and  $\psi: M/M' \rightarrow A$ . Since  $M$  is codivisible there exists  $\psi': M \rightarrow B$  such that  $\varphi\psi' = \psi\pi$ .  $\varphi\psi'(M') = \psi\pi(M') = 0$ , and therefore  $0 = \psi'_{|M'}: M' \rightarrow \text{Ker } \varphi$  since  $M'$  is cotorsionfree and  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsion. Therefore  $\psi'$  induces a homomorphism  $\psi'': M/M' \rightarrow B$  such that  $\varphi\psi'' = \psi$ , and hence  $M/M'$  is codivisible.

PROPOSITION 2.7. *If  $\varphi: P(M) \rightarrow M$  is the projective cover of  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , then  $\bar{\varphi}: P(M)/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T \rightarrow M$  is the codivisible cover of  $M$ , where  $\bar{\varphi}$  is the homomorphism induced by  $\varphi$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly  $\bar{\varphi}: P(M)/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T$  is a minimal epimorphism, and  $\text{Ker } \bar{\varphi} = \text{Ker } \varphi/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T$  is cotorsion. It remains to show that  $P(M)/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T$  is codivisible, but this follows from the preceding lemma.

COROLLARY 2.8. *If  $\varphi: P(M) \rightarrow M$  is the projective cover of  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , then the codivisible cover of  $M$  in the cotorsion theory determined by  $P(M)$  is the maximal co-rational extension over  $M$ .*

*Proof.* Courter [3, Theorem 2.12] showed that  $P(M)/X$  is the maximal co-rational extension over  $M$ , where

$$X = \sum_{f \in (P(M), \text{Ker } \varphi]} f(P(M)).$$

But if  $T_{P(M)}$  denotes the trace ideal of  $P(M)$ , then it is clear from the proof of Proposition 1.3 that  $X = (\text{Ker } \varphi)T_{P(M)}$ .

COROLLARY 2.9. *If  $\varphi: P(M) \rightarrow M$  is the projective cover of  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ , then  $M$  is codivisible if and only if  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is cotorsionfree.*

*Proof.*  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  cotorsionfree implies that  $\text{Ker } \bar{\varphi} = 0$ , and hence  $M \cong P(M)/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T$  which is codivisible. Conversely, if  $M$  is codivisible then by Proposition 2.5  $P(M)/(\text{Ker } \varphi)T \cong M$ , and therefore  $\text{Ker } \varphi = (\text{Ker } \varphi)T$ .

THEOREM 2.10.  $[P, M] \otimes_E P = [P, MT] \otimes_E P$  is the codivisible cover of  $MT$ .

*Proof.* We have already shown that  $\epsilon(M): [P, M] \otimes_E P \rightarrow MT$  is an epimorphism (Proposition 1.3) with cotorsion kernel (Proposition 1.6), and that  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is codivisible (Proposition 1.5).  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is small in  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$ , since if  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M) + U = [P, M] \otimes_E P$  for some submodule  $U \subseteq [P, M] \otimes_E P$ , then  $U \supseteq UT = (\text{Ker } \epsilon(M))T + UT = ([P, M] \otimes_E P)T = [P, M] \otimes_E P$ . Hence  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is the codivisible cover of  $MT$ .

The torsion submodule  $\mathcal{T}(M)$  of a module  $M$  with respect to a torsion theory  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  is the unique submodule  $X \subseteq M$  such that  $X$  is torsion and  $M/X$  is torsionfree. Dually,  $M/MT$  is the unique factor module  $M/X$  of  $M$  such that  $M/X$  is cotorsion and  $X$  is cotorsionfree. We call  $M/MT$  the *co-torsion factor module* of  $M$ . And, we can colocalize in two steps, namely

$$\begin{array}{l} [P, M] \otimes_E P \rightarrow MT \rightarrow M \\ \text{codivisible} \\ \text{cover of } MT \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{dualizing } M \rightarrow M/\mathcal{T}(M) \rightarrow Q(M). \\ \text{divisible} \\ \text{hull of } M/\mathcal{T}(M) \end{array}$$

**3. Colocalization as coequalizer.** We now return to the colocalization at  $P$  obtained by Lambek and Rattray [9], and we will show that it is the same as our colocalization at  $P$ . They started with a cotriple  $(S', \epsilon', \delta')$  on  $\text{Mod-}R$ , where  $S': \text{Mod-}R \rightarrow \text{Mod-}R$  is defined by

$$S'(M) = \sum_{f:P \rightarrow M} P \text{ for all } M \in \text{Mod-}R,$$

and an element of  $S'(M)$  is written as  $\sum_r(f, p_r)$ .  $S'(M)$  is a right  $R$ -module in view of the definitions  $\sum_r(f, p_r) + \sum_r(f, q_r) = \sum_r(f, p_r + q_r)$ , and  $(\sum_r(f, p_r))r = \sum_r(f, p_r r)$  for all  $r \in R$ .  $\epsilon'(M): S'(M) \rightarrow M$  is given by  $\epsilon'(M)(\sum_r(f, p_r)) = \sum_r f(p_r)$ . If  $k_f: P \rightarrow \sum_r P$  is the canonical injection then  $\epsilon'(M)k_f = f$ . For any  $g: M \rightarrow N$  in  $\text{Mod-}R$ ,  $S'(g): S'(M) \rightarrow S'(N)$  is given by  $S'(g)(\sum_r(f, p_r)) = \sum_r(gf, p_r)$ , i.e. for the canonical injection  $k_f$ ,  $S'(g)k_f = k_{gf}$ . Their colocalization  $Q'(M)$  of  $M$  at  $P$  is given by the coequalizer  $\kappa(M): S'(M) \rightarrow Q'(M)$  of the pair of mappings  $\epsilon' S'(M), S' \epsilon'(M): S'(S'(M)) \rightarrow S'(M)$ . The following lemma is the dual of [9, Lemma 1].

LEMMA 3.1. *For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $\kappa(M)$  is the joint coequalizer of all pairs of mappings  $u, v: P \rightarrow S'(M)$  which equalize  $\epsilon'(M): S'(M) \rightarrow M$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $u: P \rightarrow S'(M)$ , then  $\epsilon' S'(M)k_u = u$  and  $S' \epsilon'(M)k_u = k_{\epsilon'(M)u}$ . Therefore  $\kappa(M)$  coequalizes all mappings  $(u, k_{\epsilon'(M)u})$ . Now let  $v: P \rightarrow S'(M)$  be such that  $\epsilon'(M)u = \epsilon'(M)v$ . Then  $\kappa(M)$  coequalizes  $(u, v)$  since

$$\kappa(M)u = \kappa(M)k_{\epsilon'(M)u} = \kappa(M)k_{\epsilon'(M)v} = \kappa(M)v.$$

Conversely, any mapping which coequalizes all  $(u, v)$  such that  $\epsilon'(M)u = \epsilon'(M)v$  coequalizes  $(u, k_{\epsilon'(M)u})$  in particular, since  $\epsilon'(M)k_{\epsilon'(M)u} = \epsilon'(M)u$  by definition of  $\epsilon'(M)$ , and hence coequalizes  $(\epsilon' S'(M), S' \epsilon'(M))$ . It follows that  $\kappa(M)$  is the joint coequalizer.

LEMMA 3.2. *Let  $f: B \rightarrow A$  be an epimorphism where  $B$  is a cotorsionfree module and  $A$  is a codivisible module. Then  $\text{Ker } f$  is cotorsionfree.*

*Proof.* Let  $\tilde{f}: B/(\text{Ker } f)T \rightarrow A$  be the homomorphism induced by  $f$ . Then since  $A$  is codivisible and  $\tilde{f}$  is an epimorphism with cotorsion kernel, there exists  $g: A \rightarrow B/(\text{Ker } f)T$  such that  $\tilde{f}g = 1_A$ . Therefore  $(B/(\text{Ker } f)T)T = B/(\text{Ker } f)T = \text{Im } g \oplus \text{Ker } \tilde{f} = (\text{Im } g)T \oplus (\text{Ker } \tilde{f})T = (\text{Im } g)T$  and hence  $\text{Ker } \tilde{f} = 0$ , i.e.,  $\text{Ker } f = (\text{Ker } f)T$ .

LEMMA 3.3. *For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $MT$  is the smallest submodule  $M' \subseteq M$  such that for all  $f: P \rightarrow M$ ,*

$$0 = (P \xrightarrow{f} M \rightarrow M/M').$$

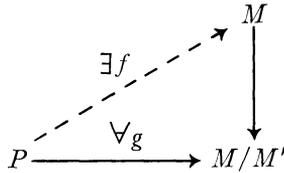
*Proof.* For all  $f: P \rightarrow M$ ,

$$(P \xrightarrow{f} M \rightarrow M/MT) = 0$$

since  $f(P) \subseteq MT$ . Suppose  $M' \subseteq M$  is such that for all  $f: P \rightarrow M$ ,

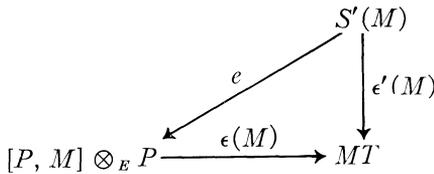
$$(P \xrightarrow{f} M \rightarrow M/M') = 0,$$

then for all  $g \in [P, M/M']$  since  $P$  is projective there exists  $f: P \rightarrow M$  such that the diagram below commutes, and hence  $g = 0$ .  $M/M'$  is therefore cotorsion, and  $MT \subseteq M'$ .



**THEOREM 3.4.** For all  $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ ,  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is the coequalizer of the pair of mappings  $\epsilon'S'(M), S'\epsilon'(M): S'(S'(M)) \rightarrow S'(M)$ .

*Proof.*



$\epsilon(M)$  and  $\epsilon'(M)$  both have the same image, namely  $MT$ , and we consider them as mappings from  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  to  $MT$  and from  $S'(M)$  to  $MT$ , respectively. Then since  $S'(M)$  is projective (since it is a coproduct of copies of  $P$ ) and  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is small in  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$ , there exists an epimorphism  $e: S'(M) \rightarrow [P, M] \otimes_E P$ , such that  $\epsilon(M)e = \epsilon'(M)$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $\text{Ker } e$  is cotorsionfree since  $S'(M)$  is cotorsionfree and  $[P, M] \otimes_E P$  is codivisible. But since  $\text{Ker } e$  is cotorsionfree and  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M)$  is cotorsion,  $\text{Ker } \epsilon(M) = \text{Ker } \epsilon'(M)/\text{Ker } e$  is the cotorsion factor module of  $\text{Ker } \epsilon'(M)$ , i.e.  $\text{Ker } e = (\text{Ker } \epsilon'(M))T$ . Hence by Lemma 3.3  $\text{Ker } e$  is the smallest submodule  $X$  of  $\text{Ker } \epsilon'(M)$  such that for all

$f: P \rightarrow \text{Ker } \epsilon'(M)$ ,  $0 = (P \xrightarrow{f} \text{Ker } \epsilon'(M) \rightarrow \text{Ker } \epsilon'(M)/X)$ . Therefore  $\text{Ker } e$  is the smallest submodule  $X$  of  $S'(M)$  such that for all  $f: P \rightarrow S'(M)$  such that  $\epsilon'(M)f = 0$ ,

$$0 = (P \xrightarrow{f} S'(M) \rightarrow S'(M)/X).$$

Hence  $\text{Ker } e$  is the smallest submodule  $X$  of  $S'(M)$  such that for all  $f, f': P \rightarrow S'(M)$  such that  $\epsilon'(M)f = \epsilon'(M)f'$ ,

$$(P \xrightarrow{f} S'(M) \rightarrow S'(M)/X) = (P \xrightarrow{f'} S'(M) \rightarrow S'(M)/X),$$

i.e.,

$$S'(M) \xrightarrow{e} S'(M)/\text{Ker } e \cong [P, M] \otimes_E P$$

is the joint coequalizer of all pairs of mappings  $f, f': P \rightarrow S'(M)$  which equalize  $\epsilon'(M)$ . Thus by Lemma 3.1  $Q'(M) \cong [P, M] \otimes_E P$ .

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