

# Dual Zariski Topology of Modules

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Throughout all rings will be associative with identity element and all modules will be unital right modules.

- A non-zero  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a **prime module** if  $ann_R(M) = ann_R(K)$  for every non-zero submodule  $K$  of  $M$ .
- A proper submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is called a **prime submodule** of  $M$  if  $M/N$  is a prime module.
- If  $N$  is a prime submodule of a module  $M$ , then  $p = ann_R(M/N)$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  and  $N$  is called  $p$ -prime submodule of  $M$ .

S. Yassemi introduced second submodules of modules over commutative rings as the dual notion of prime submodules.

- A non zero  $R$ -module  $M$  is called **a second module** if  $\text{ann}_R(M) = \text{ann}_R(M/N)$  for every proper submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .
- A submodule  $N$  is called a second submodule if  $N$  is submodule of  $M$  and second  $R$ -module, then .
- If  $N$  is a second submodule of a module  $M$ , then  $\text{ann}_R(N) = P$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  and in this case  $N$  is called a  **$P$ -second submodule** of  $M$ .
- The set of all second submodules of a module  $M$  is called **the second spectrum** of  $M$  and denoted by  $X^s = \text{Spec}^s(M)$ .

- For a submodule  $N$ ,  
 $V^s(N) = \{S \in \text{Spec}^s(M) : \text{ann}_R(N) \subseteq \text{ann}_R(S)\}$  and  
 $Z^s(M) = \{V^s(N) : N \leq M\}$ .
- The **dual Zariski topology on  $\text{Spec}^s(M)$**  is the topology  $\tau^s$  described by taking the set  $Z^s(M)$  as the set of closed subsets of  $\text{Spec}^s(M)$

- Throughout the rest of the paper we assume that  $\text{Spec}^s(M) \neq \emptyset$  for an  $R$ -module  $M$ .
- For a prime ideal  $p$  of  $R$ ,  $\text{Spec}_p^s(M)$  will denote the set of all  $p$ -second submodules of  $M$ .
- The map  $\psi^s : \text{Spec}^s(M) \longrightarrow \overline{\text{Spec}(R)}$  defined by  $\psi^s(S) = \overline{\text{ann}_R(S)}$  is called **the natural map of  $\text{Spec}^s(M)$** .
- $M$  is said to be **secondful** if the natural map  $\psi^s$  is surjective.

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An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be  **$X^s$ -injective** if it satisfies one of the equivalent condition in Lemma.

It is well known that **every comultiplication module** is  $X^s$ -injective.

Let  $\text{div}(M_R)$  denote the sum of all divisible submodules of the  $R$ -module  $M$ .

In the following Theorem, we characterize  $X^s$ -injective modules in terms of divisible submodules.

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In particular,  $S$  is a maximal second submodule of  $\text{sec}(N)$ .

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The following example shows that the converse of Theorem-(1) is not true in general.

## Example

Let  $p$  be a prime integer and  $M$  denote the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Q} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Then  $M$  is an  $X^S$ -injective  $R$ -module but  $M$  is not a weak comultiplication  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. Indeed, the second submodule  $\mathbb{Q} \oplus 0$  is not equal to  $(0 :_M I)$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

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*Let  $R$  be a one-dimensional domain and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is an  $X^s$ -injective  $R$ -module and  $M$  is either divisible or  $\text{div}(M_R) = 0$  if and only if  $M$  is a weak comultiplication  $R$ -module.*

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## Corollary

*Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $\text{Spec}(R)$  is a Noetherian topological space, then  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  is a Noetherian space.*

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# A spectral space

A topological space  $X$  is said to be a **spectral space** if  $X$  is homeomorphic to  $\text{Spec}(S)$ , with the Zariski topology, for some commutative ring  $S$ .

Let  $Y$  be a closed subset of a topological space. An element  $y \in Y$  is called a **generic point of  $Y$**  if  $Y = \text{cl}(\{y\})$ .

If the topological space is a  $T_0$ -space, then the generic point of an irreducible closed subset  $Y$  of a topological space is unique.

Spectral spaces were characterized by Hochster [6, p. 52, Proposition 4] as the topological spaces  $X$  which satisfy the following conditions:

- 1  $X$  is a  $T_0$ -space;
- 2  $X$  is compact and has a basis of compact open subsets;
- 3 The family of compact open subsets of  $X$  is closed under finite intersections;
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- $R$  is a one-dimensional integral domain and  $M$  has at least one 0-second submodule.

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- 3 If  $R$  is a one-dimensional integral domain with Noetherian spectrum and  $M$  is a divisible weak comultiplication  $R$ -module, then  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  is a spectral space.

# Combinatorial Dimension

Let  $T$  be a topological space. We consider strictly decreasing (or strictly increasing) chain  $Z_0, Z_1, \dots, Z_r$  of length  $r$  of irreducible closed subsets  $Z_i$  of  $T$ .

The supremum of the lengths taken over all such chains is called the **combinatorial dimension** of  $T$  and denoted by  $\dim T$ . For the empty set  $\emptyset$ , the combinatorial dimension of  $\emptyset$  is defined to be  $-1$  [5, Definitions/Remarks 5.5].

## Lemma

*Let  $M$  be a secondful  $R$ -module and  $N$  be a submodule of  $M$ . Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of the closed set  $V^s(N)$ . Then  $Y$  is an irreducible closed subset of  $V^s(N)$  if and only if  $Y = V^s(S)$  for some  $S \in V^s(N)$ .*

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We recall two well-known facts of Noetherian spaces: (i) every subspace of a Noetherian space is Noetherian, and (ii) every Noetherian space has only finitely many irreducible components [3, p. 123, Proposition 8-(i)], [3, p. 124, Proposition 10]. By using these facts and Theorem, we obtain the following theorem.

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*Let  $M$  be a secondful  $R$ -module. Then, every closed subset of  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  has a finite number of irreducible components if and only if, for every  $N \leq M$ , the ideal  $\overline{\text{ann}_R(N)}$  has a finite number of minimal prime ideals in  $\overline{R}$ .*

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③ Every irreducible closed subset of  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  is an irreducible component of  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$ .

④ For every  $p \in V(\text{ann}_R(M))$  and for every  $p$ -second submodule  $S$  of  $M$ ,  $\text{Spec}_p^s(M) = V^s(S)$ .

② If one of the equivalent conditions in part (1) is satisfied and  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  is a Noetherian space, then the set of irreducible components of  $(\text{Spec}^s(M), \tau^s)$  is  $\{V^s((0 :_M m_1)), \dots, V^s((0 :_M m_k))\}$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , where the  $m_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, k$  are all the minimal prime ideals of  $\text{ann}_R(M)$ .

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