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Maximal Buchsbaum Modules over Regular Local Rings and a Structure Theorem for Generalized Cohen-Macaulay Modules

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§ 1. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to give, applying a decomposition theorem of maximal Buchsbaum modules over regular local rings, a structure theorem for generalized Cohen-Macaulay modules relative to so-called standard systems of parameters. Before stating the results more precisely, let us recall the definition of Buchsbaum modules and generalized Cohen-Macaulay modules respectively (see (2.8) and (4.1) for a further detail).

Throughout let A denote a Noetherian local ring with maximal ideal m and M a finitely generated A-module of $\dim_A M = s$. Then M is said to be Buchsbaum (resp. generalized Cohen-Macaulay), if there is given a numerical invariant $I_A(M)$ of M so that the equality

$$I_A(M) = \ell_A(M/\mathfrak{q}M) - e_\mathfrak{q}(M)$$

holds for any parameter ideal q for M (resp. the supremum $\sup_{q} [\ell_A(M/qM) - e_q(M)]$ is finite, where q runs over parameter ideals for M, and the equality

$$I_A(M) = \sup \left[\ell_A(M/\mathfrak{q}M) - e_\mathfrak{q}(M) \right]$$

holds) (here $\ell_A(M/qM)$ and $e_q(M)$ respectively denote the length of M/qMand the multiplicity of M relative to q). This condition is equivalent to saying that any system x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s of parameters for M forms a dsequence on M (resp. there is an integer $N \ge 1$ such that any system x_1 , x_2, \dots, x_s of parameters for M contained in \mathfrak{m}^N forms a d-sequence on M), that is

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