

# Serre subcategories of artinian modules

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## Throughout this talk

- $R$  : a commutative Noetherian ring.
- $\text{mod}(R)$  : the category of finitely generated  $R$ -modules.
- $\text{Art}(R)$  : the category of artinian  $R$ -modules.
- a subcategory: a nonempty full subcategory which is closed under isomorphism.

## Definition.

A subcategory  $\mathcal{X}$  of an abelian category  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be

- **wide** if it is closed under kernels, cokernels and extensions.
- **Serre** if it is wide and closed under subobjects.  
(if and only if  $\forall 0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{X} \Leftrightarrow L, N \in \mathcal{X}$ .)

## §0. Classification theory of subcategories.

[Hopkins, 1987], [Neeman,1992], [Thomason, 1997]

Classifying **thick** subcategories of the derived category.  
(A thick subcategory : closed under direct summands and exact triangle.)

[Gabriel, 1962]

He gives a bijection:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Serre subcategories} \\ \text{of } \text{mod}(R) \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{specialization closed subsets} \\ \text{of } \text{Spec } R \end{array} \right\}$$

[Takahashi, 2008], [Krause, 2008]

$\exists$  1-1 correspondences:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{subcategories of } \text{mod}(R) \\ \text{closed under} \\ \text{submodules and extensions} \end{array} \right\} & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\Psi} \\ \xleftarrow{\Phi} \end{array} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{subsets of } \text{Spec } R \end{array} \right\} \\ \uparrow \subseteq & & \uparrow \subseteq \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Serre subcategories} \\ \text{of } \text{mod}(R) \end{array} \right\} & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\Psi} \\ \xleftarrow{\Phi} \end{array} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{specialization closed} \\ \text{subsets of } \text{Spec } R \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

where  $\Psi(\mathcal{M}) = \cup_{M \in \mathcal{M}} \text{Ass}_R M$  and  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) = \{M \in \text{mod}(R) \mid \text{Ass}_R M \subseteq \mathcal{S}\}$ .

In addition, Takahashi pointed out that

[Takahashi, 2008]

Every wide subcategory of  $\text{mod}(R)$  is a Serre subcategory of  $\text{mod}(R)$ .

In this talk we want to consider the artinian analogue of these result.

Every wide subcategory of  $\text{Art}(R)$  is a Serre subcategory of  $\text{Art}(R)$ .

$\exists$  1-1 correspondences:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{subcategories of } \text{Art}(R) \\ \text{closed under} \\ \text{quotient and extensions} \end{array} \right\} & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\Psi} \\ \xleftarrow{\Phi} \end{array} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{subsets of} \\ \text{closed prime ideals of } \hat{R} \end{array} \right\} \\ \uparrow \subseteq & & \uparrow \subseteq \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Serre subcategories} \\ \text{of } \text{Art}(R) \end{array} \right\} & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\Psi} \\ \xleftarrow{\Phi} \end{array} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{specialization closed} \\ \text{subsets of} \\ \text{closed prime ideals of } \hat{R} \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

## §1. Wide subcategories of $\text{Art}(R)$ .

Let  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ . We denote by  $\text{Soc}(M)$  the sum of simple submodules of  $M$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(M)$  is artinian,

$$\text{Soc}(M) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s (R/\mathfrak{m}_i)^{n_i}.$$

Set  $J_M = \bigcap_{i=1}^s \mathfrak{m}_i$  and  $\hat{R}^{(M)} = \varprojlim R/J_M^n$ .

Lemma 1 ([Sharp, 1992])

$$\forall x \in M, \exists k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } (J_M)^k x = 0.$$

Hence  $M$  has the natural structure of  $\hat{R}^{(M)}$ -modules in such a way that  $N \subset M$  is an  $R$ -submodule if and only if it is an  $\hat{R}^{(M)}$ -submodule.

**Proof.**

- Since  $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s (R/\mathfrak{m}_i)^{n_i}$ ,

$$M \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^s (E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}_i))^{n_i}$$

where  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}_i)$  is an injective hull of  $R/\mathfrak{m}_i$ .

- Hence,  $\forall x \in M, \exists k, J_M^k = (\mathfrak{m}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{m}_s)^k x = 0$ .
- Let  $x \in M$  and  $\hat{r} = (r_n + J_M^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \hat{R}^{(M)}$ . Suppose that  $J_M^k x = 0$ .
- Check that  $M$  has the structure of an  $\hat{R}^{(M)}$ -module such that

$$\hat{r}x := r_k x.$$

□

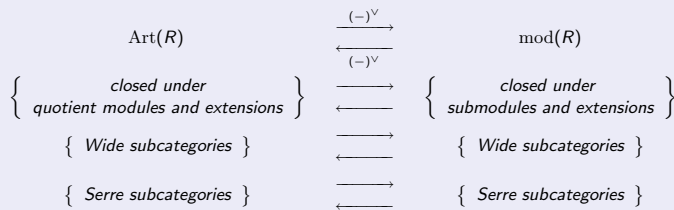
**Strategy.**

- $\forall M \in \text{Art}(R)$ ,  $M$  can be regarded as a module over “a certain complete semi-local ring”  $\hat{R}$ .
- **The Matlis duality theorem** holds over a noetherian complete semi-local ring.
- By using Matlis duality we replace the categorical property on a subcategory of  $\text{mod}(\hat{R})$  with that of  $\text{Art}(R)$ .

$$\text{Art}(R) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{X}} \text{mod}(\hat{R})_{\mathcal{X}^\vee}$$

**Lemma 2**

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{m}_s)$  be a noeth. complete semi-local ring and  $E = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}_i)$ . For  $\forall \mathcal{X} \subseteq \text{Mod}(R)$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{X}^\vee = \{M^\vee \mid M \in \mathcal{X}\}$  where  $(-)^\vee = \text{Hom}_R(-, E)$ . Then



**Theorem 3**

Let  $R$  be a noetherian ring. Every wide subcategory of  $\text{Art}(R)$  is a Serre subcategory of  $\text{Art}(R)$ .

**Remarks.**

- For  $M \in \text{Mod}(R)$ , we denote by  $\text{Wid}_R(M)$  the **smallest wide subcategory** of  $\text{Mod}(R)$  which contains  $M$ .
- If  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ ,  $\text{Wid}_R(M) \subseteq \text{Art}(R)$ . Moreover,

$$\text{Wid}_R(M) \cong \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}^{(M)}}(M)$$

as subcategories of  $\text{Art}(\hat{R}^{(M)})$ .

**Proof.**

- Let  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \text{Art}(R)$  be wide. It is enough to show that  $\mathcal{X}$  is **closed under submodules**.
- If not,  $\exists M \in \mathcal{X}, \exists N \subseteq M$  s.t.  $N \notin \mathcal{X}$ . Consider  $\text{Wid}_R(M)$ . Then

$$\text{Wid}_R(M) \cong \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M)$$

in  $\text{Art}(\hat{R})$  where  $\hat{R} = \hat{R}^{(M)}$ .

- Applying the Matlis duality, we have that

$$\text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M)^{\text{op}} \cong \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M)^\vee = \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M^\vee)$$

is a **Serre** subcategory of  $\text{mod}(\hat{R})$ , where  $(-)^\vee = \text{Hom}_{\hat{R}}(-, E)$ .

- Since Serre subcategories are closed under quotient modules,  $N^\vee \in \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M^\vee)$ . Hence

$$(N^\vee)^\vee = N \in \{\text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M^\vee)\}^\vee = \text{Wid}_{\hat{R}}(M) \cong \text{Wid}_R(M) \subseteq \mathcal{X}.$$

This is a contradiction.

□

§2. Classifying subcategories of  $\text{Art}(R)$ .

**Definition 4 (Attached prime ideal)**

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -modules.

- $M$  is **secondary**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall a \in R, a_M : M \rightarrow M$  is either surjective or nilpotent.
- If  $M$  is secondary then  $\mathfrak{p} = \sqrt{\text{ann}_R(M)}$  is a prime ideal and  $M$  is said to be  $\mathfrak{p}$ -secondary.
- A prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  is an **attached prime ideal** of  $M$  if  $M$  has a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -secondary quotient.

$$\text{Att}_R M = \{ \text{the attached prime ideals of } M \}.$$

**Remark.**

- Given a submodule  $N \subseteq M$ , we have

$$\text{Att}_R M/N \subseteq \text{Att}_R M \subseteq \text{Att}_R(N) \cup \text{Att}_R M/N.$$

- If  $M$  is artinian, then

$$M = S_1 + \dots + S_r, \quad \text{where } S_i : \mathfrak{p}_i\text{-secondary}$$

Namely it has a secondary representation. Moreover,

$$\text{Att}_R M = \{\mathfrak{p}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{p}_r\}.$$

**Observation.**

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a noetherian local ring and  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \text{Art}(R)$  a Serre subcategory.

- By virtue of Lemma 1, we can consider  $\mathcal{X}$  as a subcategory of  $\text{Art}(\hat{R})$  where  $\hat{R}$  is an  $\mathfrak{m}$ -adic completion of  $R$ .
- Since  $\mathcal{X}^\vee \subseteq \text{mod}(\hat{R})$  is Serre,  $\mathcal{X}^\vee$ , hence  $\mathcal{X}$ , corresponds to the specialization closed subset of  $\text{Spec } \hat{R}$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Serre subcategories} \\ \text{of } \text{Art}(R) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{specialization closed subsets} \\ \text{of } \text{Spec } \hat{R} \end{array} \right\}$$

We should consider

a **larger set** than  $\text{Spec } R$  to classify subcategories of  $\text{Art}(R)$ .

We want to treat all the artinian  $R$ -modules as modules over **the same completed ring**.

For this, we consider

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ I \mid \text{the length of } R/I \text{ is finite} \}.$$

Then  $\{R/I, f_{I,I'}\}$  forms the inverse system.

$$I, I' \in \mathcal{T} \text{ and } I' \subseteq I \Rightarrow f_{I,I'} : R/I' \rightarrow R/I.$$

We denote  $\varprojlim_{I \in \mathcal{T}} R/I$  by  $\hat{R}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

**Lemma 5**

Every artinian  $R$ -module has the structure of an  $\hat{R}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -module. Consequently, we have

$$\text{Art}(R) \cong \text{Art}(\hat{R}_{\mathcal{T}}).$$

**Proposition 6**

As topological rings

$$\hat{R}_{\mathcal{T}} \cong \prod_{n \in \max(R)} \hat{R}_n.$$

In the rest of the talk, we identify  $\hat{R}_{\mathcal{T}}$  with  $\prod_{n \in \max(R)} \hat{R}_n$  and denote them by  $\hat{R}$ .

$$\text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M = ?$$

**Why do we consider closed prime ideals?**

Let  $M$  be an artinian  $R$ -module. As an  $\hat{R} (= \varprojlim_{I \in \mathcal{T}} R/I)$ -module, we can show that

$$\sqrt{\text{ann}_{\hat{R}}(M)} = \bigcap_{I \in \mathcal{T}} (\sqrt{\text{ann}_R(M)} + I).$$

Namely the radical of  $\text{ann}_{\hat{R}}(M)$  is a closed ideal of  $\hat{R}$ .

Hence, for  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ ,  $\text{Att}_{\hat{R}}(M)$  is a subset of the set of closed prime ideals of  $\hat{R}$ .

**Proposition 7**

$\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } \prod_{n \in \max(R)} \hat{R}_n$ : a closed prime ideal,

$$\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p} \times \prod_{n \in \max(R), n \neq n} \hat{R}_n$$

for some prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } \hat{R}_m$ . Thus,

$$\{ \text{closes prime ideals of } \prod_{n \in \max(R)} \hat{R}_n \} = \prod_{n \in \max(R)} \text{Spec } \hat{R}_n$$

### Lemma 8

Let  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ . Assume that  $\text{Ass}_R M = \{\mathfrak{m}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{m}_s\}$ . Then

$$M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s \Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}_i}(M).$$

Here  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(M) = \{x \in M \mid \exists k \text{ s.t. } \mathfrak{m}^k x = 0\}$ .

### Proposition 9

Let  $M$  be an  $\mathfrak{m}$ -torsion  $R$ -module. Then

$$\text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M = \text{Att}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} M$$

as a subset of  $\prod_{\mathfrak{n} \in \max(R)} \text{Spec } \hat{R}_{\mathfrak{n}}$ .

### Corollary 10

Let  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ . Then

$$\text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M = \prod_{\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Ass}_R M} \text{Att}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} \Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(M)$$

as a subset of  $\prod_{\mathfrak{n} \in \max(R)} \text{Spec } \hat{R}_{\mathfrak{n}}$ .

## A key to classify the subcategories.

### Theorem 11 ([Takahashi, 2008], [Krause, 2008])

Let  $M$  and  $N \in \text{mod}(R)$ . Then

$$M \in \text{sub-ext}_R(N) \Leftrightarrow \text{Ass}_R M \subseteq \text{Ass}_R N.$$

### Theorem 12

Let  $M$  and  $N \in \text{Art}(R)$ . Then

$$M \in \text{quot-ext}_R(N) \Leftrightarrow \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M \subseteq \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} N.$$

### Lemma 13

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{m}_s)$  be a complete semi-local ring and set  $E = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}_i)$ . For  $M \in \text{Art}(R)$ , we have

$$\text{Att}_R M = \text{Ass}_R \text{Hom}_R(M, E).$$

### Proof of Thm 12.

- Suppose that  $M \in \text{quot-ext}_R(N)$  (hence,  $M \in \text{quot-ext}_{\hat{R}}(N)$ ). Then

$$\text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M \subseteq \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} N.$$

- Conversely suppose that  $\text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M \subseteq \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} N$ . Since

$$M = \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Ass}_R M} \Gamma_{\mathfrak{m}}(M), \quad N = \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{n} \in \text{Ass}_R N} \Gamma_{\mathfrak{n}}(N)$$

and  $\text{quot-ext}_R(N)$  is closed under **direct sums and direct summands**, we may assume that  $M$  and  $N$  are **m-torsion**.

- Consider  $M$  and  $N$  as artinian  $\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules s.t.  $\text{Att}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} M \subseteq \text{Att}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} N$ . By the Matlis duality, we have

$$M^{\vee}, N^{\vee} \in \text{mod}(\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}) \text{ and } \text{Ass}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} M^{\vee} \subseteq \text{Ass}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}} N^{\vee}.$$

Thus,

$$M^{\vee} \in \text{sub-ext}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}}(N^{\vee}).$$

- Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M^{\vee\vee} \cong M &\in \text{sub-ext}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}}(N^{\vee})^{\vee} \\ &= \text{quot-ext}_{\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{m}}}(N) \\ &= \text{quot-ext}_R(N). \end{aligned}$$

□

- For  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \text{Art}(R)$ , we define

$$\Psi(\mathcal{X}) = \text{Att} \mathcal{X} = \bigcup_{M \in \mathcal{X}} \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M.$$

- For a subset  $S$  of  $\prod_{\mathfrak{n} \in \max(R)} \text{Spec } \hat{R}_{\mathfrak{n}}$ , we define

$$\Phi(S) = \{M \in \text{Art}(R) \mid \text{Att}_{\hat{R}} M \subseteq S\}.$$

### Note that

- $\Psi(\mathcal{X})$  is a subset of  $\prod_{\mathfrak{n} \in \max(R)} \text{Spec } \hat{R}_{\mathfrak{n}}$ .
- $\Phi(S)$  is closed under quotient modules and extensions.

### Theorem 14

Let  $R$  be a noetherian ring. Then  $\Psi$  and  $\Phi$  induce an inclusion preserving bijection:

$$\{\text{subcategories of } \text{Art}(R) \text{ closed under quotient modules and extensions}\} \\ \cong \{\text{subsets of the set consisting of closed prime ideals of } \hat{R}\}.$$

Moreover this induces the bijection:

$$\{\text{Serre subcategories of } \text{Art}(R)\} \\ \cong \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{specialization closed subsets of} \\ \text{the set consisting of closed prime ideals of } \hat{R} \end{array} \right\}.$$

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