

## Relative Matlis duality with respect to a semidualizing module

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a commutative Noetherian ring and let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the relative version of Matlis duality with respect to  $C$  and some other related topics. In particular, it is shown that over local ring  $R$ , the relative Matlis dual of a Noetherian  $R$ -module is Artinian, and in the case that  $R$  is complete the relative Matlis dual of an Artinian  $R$ -module is Noetherian.

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## 1 Introduction

Throughout this paper  $R$  is a commutative Noetherian ring and we use the notation  $E_R(M)$  for the injective envelope of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . The notion of a “semidualizing module” is a central notion in relative homological algebra. The study of semidualizing modules was independently initiated by Foxby [6], Vasconcelos [14] and Golod [7], which are common generalizations of dualizing modules and finitely generated projective modules of rank one. This notion has been investigated by many authors from different points of view; see for example [3], [8], [12], and [13]. In [9], Holm and White defined the so-called  $C$ -injective,  $C$ -projective and  $C$ -flat modules to characterize the Auslander class  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$  and the Bass class  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$ , where  $C$  is a semidualizing  $R$ -module. The notion of  $C$ -injective ( $C$ -projective,  $C$ -flat) modules is important for the study of the relative homological algebra with respect to semidualizing modules. For example in [8], Holm and Jørgensen used these modules to define  $C$ -Gorenstein injective (projective, flat) modules, introduced the notions of  $C$ -Gorenstein projective,  $C$ -Gorenstein injective, and  $C$ -Gorenstein flat dimensions, and investigated the properties of these dimensions. Many other properties of  $C$ -injective modules, especially Tor-modules, are investigated in [5] and [10].

The first part of this paper is focused on the class of  $C$ -injective modules. We do some preliminary work in Section 2. In particular, we review some of the results, demonstrating the extent to which  $C$ -injective modules act like injective modules. In Section 3, we give a generalization of the notion of Matlis duality with respect to a semidualizing module and some related topics. For an  $R$ -module  $M$  over a local ring  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$ , we denote by  $M^{\vee_C}$  the relative Matlis dual  $\text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})))$  with respect to  $C$ . There is a natural  $R$ -homomorphism  $\psi : M \rightarrow (M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C}$  defined by  $\psi(x)(f) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $f \in M^{\vee_C}$ . We say that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $C$ -Matlis reflexive if  $M \cong (M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C}$  under the homomorphism  $\psi$ . It is known that if  $R$  is a complete local ring, then  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})$  is

a Matlis reflexive  $R$ -module. Along these lines, we shown that  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is  $C$ -Matlis reflexive, in the case that  $R$  is complete local. Also, we investigate some properties of the relative Matlis duality functor with respect to  $C$  which are similar to the properties of the classical Matlis duality functor. For example it is shown that over local ring  $R$ , the relative Matlis dual of a Noetherian  $R$ -module is Artinian, and in the case that  $R$  is complete the relative Matlis dual of an Artinian  $R$ -module is Noetherian.

## 2 Background and preliminary results

We begin with a definition due to Foxby [6], generalizing Grothendieck's notion of a dualizing module, and introduced independently by Golod [7] and Vasconcelos [14].

**Definition 2.1.** A finitely generated  $R$ -module  $C$  is called *semidualizing* if the natural homothety morphism  $R \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, C)$  is an isomorphism and  $\text{Ext}_R^{\geq 1}(C, C) = 0$ .

Many of the primary properties of semidualizing modules are investigated in [11]. In the following, we recall some of them from [11] that will be used in the next section.

**Fact 2.2.** Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.

- (i)  $\text{Supp}_R(C) = \text{Spec}(R)$ .
- (ii) If  $M$  is a non-zero  $R$ -module, then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \neq 0$  and  $C \otimes_R M \neq 0$ .
- (iii) If  $f : R \rightarrow S$  is a flat ring homomorphism, then  $C \otimes_R S$  is a semidualizing  $S$ -module.

The classes defined next are collectively known as *Foxby classes*. The definitions are due to Foxby; see [1] and [3].

**Definition 2.3.** The *Auslander class* with respect to  $C$  is the class  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$  of  $R$ -modules  $M$  such that:

- (i)  $\text{Tor}_i^R(C, M) = 0 = \text{Ext}_R^i(C, C \otimes_R M)$  for all  $i \geq 1$ , and
- (ii) the natural map  $\gamma_C^M : M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M)$  is an isomorphism.

The *Bass class* with respect to  $C$  is the class  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$  of  $R$ -modules  $M$  such that:

- (i)  $\text{Ext}_R^i(C, M) = 0 = \text{Tor}_i^R(C, \text{Hom}_R(C, M))$  for all  $i \geq 1$ , and
- (ii) the natural evaluation map  $\xi_M^C : C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, M) \rightarrow M$  is an isomorphism.

In the following, we collect some properties of Foxby classes from [11].

**Fact 2.4.** Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.

- (i) The class  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$  contains all the  $R$ -modules of finite flat dimension and the class  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$  contains all the  $R$ -modules of finite injective dimension.
- (ii) If  $M \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , then  $C \otimes_R M \in \mathcal{B}_C(R)$ . If  $M \in \mathcal{B}_C(R)$ , then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ .

(iii) The classes  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$  and  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$  satisfy the “two-of-three property”: If any two  $R$ -modules in a short exact sequence are in  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , respectively  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$ , then so is the third.

**Definition 2.5.** For a semidualizing  $R$ -module  $C$ , we set

$$\mathcal{I}_C(R) = \{\text{Hom}_R(C, I) \mid I \text{ is an injective } R\text{-module}\}.$$

The  $R$ -modules in  $\mathcal{I}_C(R)$  are called  $C$ -injective.

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $f : R \rightarrow S$  be a flat ring homomorphism, and let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. If  $E$  is an injective  $R$ -module, then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_R(S, E))$  is a  $(C \otimes_R S)$ -injective  $S$ -module.

*Proof.* By Fact 2.2(iii),  $C \otimes_R S$  is a semidualizing  $S$ -module. Also,  $\text{Hom}_R(S, E)$  is an injective  $S$ -module, by [4, Proposition 3.1.6]. Hence

$$\text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_R(S, E)) \cong \text{Hom}_S(C \otimes_R S, \text{Hom}_R(S, E))$$

is a  $(C \otimes_R S)$ -injective  $S$ -module. □

**Proposition 2.7.** Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $F$  be a flat  $R$ -module. Assume that  $E$  and  $E'$  are two injective  $R$ -modules. Then the following statements hold.

- (i)  $\text{Hom}_R(F, \text{Hom}_R(C, E))$  is a  $C$ -injective  $R$ -module.
- (ii)  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R F$  is a  $C$ -injective  $R$ -module.
- (iii)  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R (C \otimes_R F)$  is an injective  $R$ -module.
- (iv)  $\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E), \text{Hom}_R(C, E'))$  is a flat  $R$ -module.

*Proof.* (i) By adjointness, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_R(F, \text{Hom}_R(C, E)) &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C \otimes_R F, E) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_R(F, E)). \end{aligned}$$

By [4, Theorem 3.2.16],  $\text{Hom}_R(F, E)$  is an injective  $R$ -module. So, we get the assertion.

(ii) By [4, Theorem 3.2.14],  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R F \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E \otimes_R F)$ . So  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R F$  is a  $C$ -injective  $R$ -module, since  $E \otimes_R F$  is injective by [4, Theorem 3.2.16].

(iii) In the following sequence, the second isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.14], and the third isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.16] and Fact 2.4(i).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R (C \otimes_R F) &\cong (\text{Hom}_R(C, E) \otimes_R F) \otimes_R C \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E \otimes_R F) \otimes_R C \\ &\cong E \otimes_R F \end{aligned}$$

(iv) By [11, Proposition 3.1.10] and Fact 2.4(i), we have

$$\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E), \text{Hom}_R(C, E')) \cong \text{Hom}_R(E, E').$$

Also, [4, Proposition 3.2.16] implies that  $\text{Hom}_R(E, E')$  is a flat  $R$ -module, as desired. □

Parallel to the class of injective modules in  $\mathcal{B}_C(R)$ , we have the class of  $C$ -injective modules in  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$ . Thus,  $C$ -injective modules are expected to play the role of the injective objects of  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$ . In the following two propositions, we review some of the results, demonstrating the extent to which  $C$ -injective modules act like injective modules.

**Proposition 2.8.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let*

$$(*) : 0 \rightarrow W' \rightarrow W \rightarrow W'' \rightarrow 0$$

*be a short exact sequence of  $R$ -modules. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i) [9, Proposition 5.2 (c)] *If  $W'$  and  $W''$  are  $C$ -injective, then  $W$  is also  $C$ -injective and the sequence splits.*
- (ii) *If  $W'$  and  $W$  are  $C$ -injective, then  $W''$  is also  $C$ -injective and the sequence splits.*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $E'$  and  $E''$  be injective  $R$ -modules such that  $W' = \text{Hom}_R(C, E')$ , and  $W'' = \text{Hom}_R(C, E'')$ . Applying functor  $- \otimes_R C$  to the exact sequence  $(*)$  to get the split exact sequence  $(**): 0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow C \otimes_R W \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$ , since  $\mathcal{I}_C(R) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ . Hence  $C \otimes_R W$  is an injective  $R$ -module and [13, Theorem 2.11 (b)] implies that  $W$  is  $C$ -injective. Applying the functor  $\text{Hom}_R(C, -)$  on the sequence  $(**)$  to get the split exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E') \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R W) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E'') \rightarrow 0$  of  $C$ -injective  $R$ -modules. Also, we have the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(C, E') & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R W) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(C, E'') \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow \cong \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(C, E') & \longrightarrow & W & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(C, E'') \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

Now the Five Lemma implies that  $f$  is an isomorphism, which implies that the sequence  $(*)$  is split exact as desired.

(ii) It is proved the same line as (i). □

**Proposition 2.9.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M \xrightarrow{f} N \\
 & & \downarrow g \\
 & & \text{Hom}_R(C, E)
 \end{array}$$

*be a diagram of  $R$ -modules with exact row such that  $M, N \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$  and  $E$  is an injective  $R$ -module. Then there exists an  $R$ -homomorphism  $h : N \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  making the following diagram commute.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M \xrightarrow{f} N \\
 & & \downarrow g \quad \swarrow \text{---} h \text{---} \\
 & & \text{Hom}_R(C, E)
 \end{array}$$

*Proof.* Basically, we need to show that the sequence

$$\text{Hom}_R(N, \text{Hom}_R(C, E)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_R(C, E)) \rightarrow 0,$$

is exact. Since  $M, N \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , we conclude by Fact 2.4(iii) that  $L = \text{Coker } f \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ . Since  $L$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  belong to  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_R^1(L, \text{Hom}_R(C, E)) &\cong \text{Ext}_R^1(C \otimes_R L, C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E)) \\ &\cong \text{Ext}_R^1(C \otimes_R L, E) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

In the above sequence, the first isomorphism follows from [11, Lemma 3.1.13], and the second isomorphism follows from Fact 2.4(i).  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module and consider the following two short exact sequences of  $R$ -modules*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E_1) \longrightarrow K_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ 0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E_2) \longrightarrow K_2 \longrightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are injective and  $M \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ . Then

$$K_2 \oplus \text{Hom}_R(C, E_1) \cong K_1 \oplus \text{Hom}_R(C, E_2).$$

*Proof.* Note that  $K_1, K_2 \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , by Fact 2.4(iii). Therefore applying the functor  $C \otimes_R -$  on the above two exact sequences, we get the following two exact sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \longrightarrow C \otimes_R M \longrightarrow C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_1) \longrightarrow C \otimes_R K_1 \longrightarrow 0, \\ 0 \longrightarrow C \otimes_R M \longrightarrow C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_2) \longrightarrow C \otimes_R K_2 \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_i) \cong E_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Now, the dual of Schanuel Lemma implies that

$$(C \otimes_R K_2) \oplus E_1 \cong (C \otimes_R K_1) \oplus E_2.$$

Applying the functor  $\text{Hom}_R(C, -)$  on the above isomorphism, implies the assertion.  $\square$

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module, and let  $x \in M$  and  $a \in R$ . By the notation  $a \mid x$ , we mean that  $x = ay$  for some  $y \in M$ . Recall that  $M$  is called *divisible*  $R$ -module if for every non zero-divisor element  $r \in R$ , and every element  $m \in M$  we have  $r \mid m$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module and let  $E$  be an injective  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i) *Let  $a$  be a non zero-divisor element of  $R$ . Then for every  $f \in \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  we have*

$$a \mid_{\text{Hom}_R(C, E)} f.$$

(ii) Suppose that  $Ra \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$  for every non zero-divisor element  $a$  of  $R$ . Then the  $R$ -module  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  is a divisible.

*Proof.* (i) Let  $f \in \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$ . Since  $a$  is a non zero-divisor element of  $R$ , the map  $\psi : Ra \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  is well defined  $R$ -module homomorphism given by  $\psi(ra) = rf$ , for each  $r \in R$ . Since  $Ra \cong R$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , Proposition 2.9 implies that there exists an  $R$ -homomorphism  $\tilde{\psi} : R \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$  such that the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & Ra & \xrightarrow{\quad} & R \\
 & & \downarrow \psi & \swarrow \tilde{\psi} & \\
 & & \text{Hom}_R(C, E) & & 
 \end{array}$$

Note that  $f = \psi(a) = \tilde{\psi}(a) = a\tilde{\psi}(1)$ , and so  $a \mid_{\text{Hom}_R(C, E)} f$ .

(ii) It follows from item (i). □

**Remark 2.12.** Let  $R$  be a PID, and let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. Assume that  $M$  is a divisible  $R$ -module. Then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M)$  is a  $C$ -injective  $R$ -module.

**Proposition 2.13.** Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}(R)$ . Then the following statements hold.

- (i) The multiplication by  $r \in R - \mathfrak{p}$  is an automorphism on  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))$ .
- (ii)  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q}))$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q}$ .
- (iii)  $\text{Ass}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))) = \{\mathfrak{p}\}$ .
- (iv) If  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))$ , then there exists a positive integer  $t$  such that  $\mathfrak{p}^t \varphi = 0$ .
- (v)  $\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})), \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q}))) \neq 0$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{q}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $r \in R - \mathfrak{p}$ . Then  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}) \xrightarrow{r} E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})$  is an isomorphism, by [4, Theorem 3.3.8 (1)] and so  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \xrightarrow{r} \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))$  is an  $R$ -isomorphism.

(ii) Assume that  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q}))$ . Therefore,

$$C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \cong C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q})).$$

By Fact 2.4(i), we have  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}) \cong E_R(R/\mathfrak{q})$  and then [4, Theorem 3.3.8 (2)] implies that  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q}$ . For the reverse, suppose that  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q}$ , then [4, Theorem 3.3.8 (2)] implies that  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}) \cong E_R(R/\mathfrak{q})$  and therefore,  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q}))$ .

(iii) In the following sequence, the first equality follows from [2, Exercise 1.2.27], and the second equality follows from Fact 2.2(i) and [4, Theorem 3.3.8 (3)].

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Ass}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))) &= \text{Supp}_R(C) \cap \text{Ass}_R(E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})) \\
 &= \text{Spec}(R) \cap \{\mathfrak{p}\} \\
 &= \{\mathfrak{p}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Let  $0 \neq \varphi \in \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}))$ . Then  $\text{Ass}_R(R\varphi) = \{\mathfrak{p}\}$ , by (iii). So,  $\mathfrak{p}$  is the unique minimal element in  $\text{Supp}_R(R\varphi)$ . On the other hand,  $\text{Supp}_R(R\varphi) = \{\mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}(R) \mid \text{Ann}(\varphi) \subset \mathfrak{q}\}$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{p}$  is the radical of  $\text{Ann}(\varphi)$ , and so  $\text{Ann}(\varphi)$  is  $\mathfrak{p}$ -primary.

(v) By the proof of Proposition 2.7(iv), we have

$$\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{p})), \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{q}))) \cong \text{Hom}_R(E_R(R/\mathfrak{p}), E_R(R/\mathfrak{q})).$$

Now the assertion follows from [4, Theorem 3.3.8 (5)]. □

### 3 Relative Matlis duality

Throughout this section  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  is a local ring. Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. We denote by  $M^\vee$  the Matlis dual  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  of  $M$ . There is a natural homomorphism  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M^{\vee\vee}$  defined by  $\varphi(x)(f) = f(x)$  for  $x \in M$  and  $f \in M^\vee$ . Recall that  $M$  is *Matlis reflexive* if  $M \cong M^{\vee\vee}$  under the homomorphism  $\varphi$ . In this section, we introduce the notion of relative Matlis duality with respect to a semidualizing  $R$ -module which gives a generalization of the notion Matlis duality.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. For an  $R$ -module  $M$ , we denote by  $M^{\vee_C}$  the *relative Matlis dual* of  $M$  with respect to  $C$ , and define

$$M^{\vee_C} = \text{Hom}_R(M, C^\vee).$$

There is a natural  $R$ -homomorphism  $\psi : M \rightarrow (M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C}$  defined by  $\psi(x)(f) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $f \in M^{\vee_C}$ . We say that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is  *$C$ -Matlis reflexive* if  $M \cong (M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C}$  under the homomorphism  $\psi$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i)  $M^{\vee_C} \cong (C \otimes_R M)^\vee$ .
- (ii)  $M^{\vee_C} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee)$ .
- (iii)  $(M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M^{\vee\vee})$ .
- (iv)  $(M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C} \cong (\text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M))^{\vee\vee}$ .

*Proof.* The items (i) and (ii) follow from adjointness.

(iii) In the following sequence, the first and second isomorphisms follow from item (ii), and the third isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.11].

$$\begin{aligned} (M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C} &\cong (\text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee))^{\vee_C} \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee)^\vee) \\ &= \text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee), E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(M^\vee, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))) \\ &= \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M^{\vee\vee}). \end{aligned}$$

(iv) In the following sequence, the first and second isomorphisms follow from items (i), and the third isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.11].

$$\begin{aligned}
(M^{\vee c})^{\vee c} &\cong ((C \otimes_R M)^\vee)^{\vee c} \\
&\cong (C \otimes_R (C \otimes_R M)^\vee)^\vee \\
&= (C \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C \otimes_R M, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})))^\vee \\
&\cong (\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M), E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})))^\vee \\
&= (\text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M))^{\vee\vee}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i) *If  $M$  is Matlis reflexive and  $M \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , then  $M$  is  $C$ -Matlis reflexive.*
- (ii) *If  $l_R(M) < \infty$  and  $M \in \mathcal{A}_C(R)$ , then  $M$  is  $C$ -Matlis reflexive.*
- (iii) *If  $l_R(M) < \infty$ , then  $l_R(M^{\vee c}) < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* (i) It follows from Proposition 3.2(iii).

(ii) Let  $l_R(M) < \infty$ . Then  $M$  is Matlis reflexive by [4, Theorem 3.4.1]. Now the assertion follows from item (i).

(iii) Let  $l_R(M) < \infty$ . Then  $l_R(M^\vee) < \infty$ , by [4, Theorem 3.4.1]. By Proposition 3.2(ii),  $M^{\vee c} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee)$  and so,  $l_R(M^{\vee c}) = l_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee)) \leq t l_R(M^\vee)$ , where  $t$  is a number of generators of  $C$ . □

**Remark 3.4.** A Standard fact for finite length module  $M$  is that  $l_R(M^\vee) = l_R(M)$ . It is worth noting that this fails in general for  $C$ -Matlis duality, where  $C$  is semidualizing. For example, if  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  is Artinian local and not Gorenstein, with  $M = R/\mathfrak{m}$  and  $C = E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})$ , then  $M^{\vee c} \cong \text{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{m}, R)$ , so  $l_R(M)^{\vee c} = \text{type } R > 1 = l_R(M)$ . This example also shows that modules of finite length will rarely be  $C$ -Matlis reflexive.

It is known that if  $R$  is a complete ring, then  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})$  is a Matlis reflexive  $R$ -module. In this regard, in the following it is shown that  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is a  $C$ -Matlis reflexive  $R$ -module, where  $C$  is a semidualizing module over complete ring  $R$ .

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $R$  be a complete ring and let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module. Then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is  $C$ -Matlis reflexive.*

*Proof.* By [4, Theorem 3.4.1(6)], we have  $\text{Hom}_R(E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}), E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \cong R$ , since  $R$  is complete. Therefore,  $(\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})))^{\vee\vee} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  by [4, Theorem 3.2.11]. Now the assertion follows from Proposition 3.3(i) and Fact 2.4. □



**Remark 3.6.** Note that  $E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})$  is an injective cogenerator for  $R$ -modules. That means,  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \neq 0$  for any  $R$ -module  $M \neq 0$ . Also, for any  $R$ -module  $M \neq 0$ , we have  $C \otimes_R M \neq 0$ , by Fact 2.2(ii), and so

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))) &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C \otimes_R M, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \\ &\neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $\widehat{R}$  be the  $\mathfrak{m}$ -adic completion of  $R$ . Then the following statements hold.*

- (i)  $\text{Hom}_R(C^\vee, C^\vee) \cong \widehat{R}$ .
- (ii)  $\widehat{R} \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$ .
- (iii)  $\text{Hom}_{\widehat{R}}(\widehat{C}, E_{\widehat{R}}(\widehat{R}/\widehat{\mathfrak{m}})) \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$ , as  $\widehat{R}$ -modules.
- (iv) If  $M$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, then  $(M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R \widehat{M})$ .
- (v)  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))$  is Artinian as  $R$ -module and  $\widehat{R}$ -module.

*Proof.* (i) In the following sequence, the first isomorphism follows from adjointness, the second isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.4.1], and the last one follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.14], since  $\widehat{R}$  is a flat  $R$ -module.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_R(C^\vee, C^\vee) &= \text{Hom}_R(C^\vee, \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C^{\vee\vee}) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, \widehat{C}) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R \widehat{R}) \\ &\cong \widehat{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) In the following sequence, the first isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.2.14], since  $\widehat{R}$  is a flat  $R$ -module, and the second isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.4.1(4)].

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{R} \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, \widehat{R} \otimes_R E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) In the following sequence, the first isomorphism follows from [4, Theorem 3.4.1(5)], and the second isomorphism follows from adjointness.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\widehat{R}}(\widehat{C}, E_{\widehat{R}}(\widehat{R}/\widehat{\mathfrak{m}})) &\cong \text{Hom}_{\widehat{R}}(C \otimes_R \widehat{R}, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, \text{Hom}_{\widehat{R}}(\widehat{R}, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m}))) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})). \end{aligned}$$

(iv) By Proposition 3.2(ii), we have  $(M^{\vee_C})^{\vee_C} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M^{\vee\vee})$ . Now the assertion follows from [4, Theorem 3.4.1 (8)].

(v) The assertion follows from [4, Corollary 3.4.4], since  $C$  is a Noetherian  $R$ -module.

□

In the following theorem, we give a characterization of Artinian modules.

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is Artinian, then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . In the case that  $M$  is finitely generated the converse also holds.*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be an Artinian  $R$ -module. Then there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $M \subseteq E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n$ , by [4, Theorem 3.4.3]. So,  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n)$ . For the reverse, let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module such that  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . Note that  $\text{Hom}_R(C, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n) \cong (C^\vee)^n$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module, by [4, Corollary 3.4.4]. Hence  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M)$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module. Assume that  $M \neq 0$ . Then  $\text{Hom}_R(C, M) \neq 0$ , by Fact 2.2(ii). So,

$$\begin{aligned} \{\mathfrak{m}\} &= \text{Ass}_R(\text{Hom}_R(C, M)) \\ &= \text{Supp}_R(C) \cap \text{Ass}_R(M) \\ &= \text{Spec}(R) \cap \text{Ass}_R(M). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\text{Ass}_R(M) = \{\mathfrak{m}\}$  and so,  $M$  is an Artinian  $R$ -module.  $\square$

**Remark 3.9.** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules such that  $\text{Supp}_R(N) = \text{Spec}(R)$ . Then the proof of Theorem 3.8 shows that  $M$  is Artinian if and only if  $\text{Hom}_R(N, M) \subseteq \text{Hom}_R(N, E_R(R/\mathfrak{m})^n)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $C$  be a semidualizing  $R$ -module, and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i) *If  $M$  is Noetherian, then  $M^{\vee C}$  is Artinian.*
- (ii) *If  $M^{\vee C}$  is Artinian, then  $C \otimes_R M$  is Noetherian.*
- (iii) *If  $M$  is Artinian, then  $M^{\vee C}$  is Noetherian provided that  $R$  is complete.*

*Proof.* (i): Assume that  $M$  is finitely generated. Then so is  $C \otimes_R M$ , which implies that  $M^{\vee C} \cong (C \otimes_R M)^\vee$  is Artinian by [4, Corollary 3.4.4].

(ii): Assume that  $M^{\vee C}$  is Artinian. Then so is  $(C \otimes_R M)^\vee$ . Now the assertion follows from [4, Corollary 3.4.4].

(iii) Assume that  $R$  is complete and  $M$  is Artinian. Then  $M^\vee$  is Noetherian by [4, Theorem 3.4.7]. Also Proposition 3.2(ii) implies that  $M^{\vee C} \cong \text{Hom}_R(C, M^\vee)$ , and so  $M^{\vee C}$  is Noetherian.  $\square$

**Remark 3.11.** Note that Theorem 3.10 holds true for any finitely generated  $R$ -module  $C$ ; we do not have to assume that  $C$  is semidualizing.

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