# PRESENTATIONS OF RINGS WITH A CHAIN OF SEMIDUALIZING MODULES

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### Abstract

Inspired by Jorgensen et al., it is proved that if a Cohen-Macaulay local ring R with dualizing module admits a suitable chain of semidualizing R-modules of length n, then  $R \cong Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_n)$  for some Gorenstein ring Q and ideals  $I_1, \ldots, I_n$  of Q; and, for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ , the ring  $Q/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell)$  has some interesting cohomological properties. This extends the result of Jorgensen et al., and also of Foxby and Reiten.

# 1. Introduction

Throughout *R* is a commutative noetherian local ring. Foxby [4], Vasconcelos [17] and Golod [8] independently initiated the study of semidualizing modules. A finite (i.e. finitely generated) *R*-module *C* is called *semidualizing* if the natural homothety map  $\chi_C^R: R \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, C)$  is an isomorphism and  $\text{Ext}_R^{\geq 1}(C, C) = 0$  (see [10, Definition 1.1]). Examples of semidualizing *R*modules include *R* itself and a dualizing *R*-module when one exists. The set of all isomorphism classes of semidualizing *R*-modules is denoted by  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ , and the isomorphism class of a semidualizing *R*-module *C* is denoted [C]. The set  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  has caught the attention of several authors; see, for example [6], [3], [12] and [15]. In [3], Christensen and Sather-Wagstaff show that  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ is finite when *R* is Cohen-Macaulay and equicharacteristic. Then Nasseh and Sather-Wagstaff, in [12], settle the general assertion that  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  is finite. Also, in [15], Sather-Wagstaff studies the cardinality of  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ .

Each semidualizing *R*-module *C* gives rise to a notion of reflexivity for finite *R*-modules. For instance, each finite projective *R*-module is totally *C*-reflexive. For semidualizing *R*-modules *C* and *B*, we write  $[C] \leq [B]$  whenever *B* is totally *C*-reflexive. In [7], Gerko defines chains in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . A *chain* in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  is a sequence  $[C_n] \leq \cdots \leq [C_1] \leq [C_0]$ , and such a chain has length *n* if  $[C_i] \neq [C_j]$ , whenever  $i \neq j$ . In [15], Sather-Wagstaff uses

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the length of chains in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  to provide a lower bound for the cardinality of  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ .

It is well-known that a Cohen-Macaulay ring which is homomorphic image of a Gorenstein local ring, admits a dualizing module (see [16, Theorem 3.9]). Then Foxby [4] and Reiten [13], independently, prove the converse. Recently Jorgensen et al. [11], characterize the Cohen-Macaulay local rings which admit dualizing modules and non-trivial semidualizing modules (i.e. neither free nor dualizing).

In this paper, we are interested in characterization of Cohen-Macaulay rings R which admit a dualizing module and a certain chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . We prove that, when a Cohen-Macaulay ring R with dualizing module has a *suitable chain* in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  (see Definition 3.1) of length n, then there exist a Gorenstein ring Q and ideals  $I_1, \ldots, I_n$  of Q such that  $R \cong Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_n)$  and, for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n] = \{1, \ldots, n\}$ , the ring  $Q/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell)$  has certain homological and cohomological properties (see Theorem 3.9). Note that, this result gives the result of Jorgensen et al. when n = 2 and the result of Foxby and Reiten in the case n = 1. We prove a partial converse of Theorem 3.9 in Propositions 3.15 and 3.16.

#### 2. Preliminaries

This section contains definitions and background material.

DEFINITION 2.1 ([10, Definition 2.7] and [14, Theorem 5.2.3 and Definition 6.1.2]). Let *C* be a semidualizing *R*-module. A finite *R*-module *M* is *totally C*-*reflexive* when it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) the natural homomorphism  $\delta_M^C: M \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(\operatorname{Hom}_R(M, C), C)$  is an isomorphism, and
- (ii)  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{\geq 1}(M, C) = 0 = \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{\geq 1}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, C), C).$

A totally *R*-reflexive is referred to as totally reflexive. The  $G_C$ -dimension of a finite *R*-module *M*, denoted  $G_C$ -dim<sub>*R*</sub>(*M*), is defined as

$$G_{C}-\dim_{R}(M) = \inf \left\{ n \ge 0 \mid \begin{array}{c} \text{there is an exact sequence of } R\text{-modules} \\ 0 \rightarrow G_{n} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow G_{1} \rightarrow G_{0} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{such that each } G_{i} \text{ is totally } C\text{-reflexive} \end{array} \right\}.$$

REMARK 2.2 ([2, Theorem 6.1]). Let S be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring equipped with a module-finite local ring homomorphism  $\tau: R \to S$  such that R is Cohen-Macaulay. Assume that C is a semidualizing R-module. Then  $G_C$ -dim<sub>R</sub>(S) <  $\infty$  if and only if there exists an integer  $g \ge 0$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(S, C) = 0$ , for all  $i \neq g$ , and  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^g(S, C)$  is a semidualizing S-module. When these conditions hold, one has  $g = G_C$ -dim<sub>R</sub>(S). DEFINITION 2.3 (The order  $\trianglelefteq$  on  $(\mathfrak{G}_0(R))$ ). For  $[B], [C] \in (\mathfrak{G}_0(R))$ , write  $[C] \trianglelefteq [B]$  when *B* is totally *C*-reflexive (see, e.g., [15]). This relation is reflexive and antisymmetric [5, Lemma 3.2], but it is not known whether it is transitive in general. Also, write  $[C] \triangleleft [B]$  when  $[C] \trianglelefteq [B]$  and  $[C] \neq [B]$ . For a semidualizing *C*, set

$$\mathfrak{G}_C(R) = \{ [B] \in \mathfrak{G}_0(R) \mid [C] \trianglelefteq [B] \}.$$

In the case *D* is a dualizing *R*-module, one has  $[D] \leq [B]$  for any semidualizing *R*-module *B*, by [9, (V.2.1)], and so  $\mathfrak{G}_D(R) = \mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ .

If  $[C] \leq [B]$ , then  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(B, C)$  is a semidualizing and  $[C] \leq [\operatorname{Hom}_R(B, C)]$  ([2, Theorem 2.11]). Moreover, if *A* is another semidualizing *R*-module with  $[C] \leq [A]$ , then  $[B] \leq [A]$  if and only if  $[\operatorname{Hom}_R(A, C)] \leq [\operatorname{Hom}_R(B, C)]$  ([5, Proposition 3.9]).

THEOREM 2.4 ([7, Theorem 3.1]). Let B and C be two semidualizing R-modules such that  $[C] \leq [B]$ . Assume that M is an R-module which is both totally B-reflexive and totally C-reflexive, then the composition map

$$\varphi$$
: Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, B)  $\otimes_R$  Hom<sub>R</sub>(B, C)  $\longrightarrow$  Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, C)

is an isomorphism.

COROLLARY 2.5 ([7, Corollary 3.3]). If  $[C_n] \leq \cdots \leq [C_1] \leq [C_0]$  is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ , then one gets

$$C_n \cong C_0 \otimes_R \operatorname{Hom}_R(C_0, C_1) \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R \operatorname{Hom}_R(C_{n-1}, C_n).$$

Assume that  $[C_n] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1] \triangleleft [C_0]$  is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . For each  $i \in [n]$ , set  $B_i = \operatorname{Hom}_R(C_{i-1}, C_i)$ . For each sequence of integers  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \ldots, i_j\}$  with  $j \ge 1$  and  $1 \le i_1 < \cdots < i_j \le n$ , set  $B_{\mathbf{i}} = B_{i_1} \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R B_{i_j}$ .  $(B_{\{i_1\}} = B_{i_1}$  and set  $B_{\emptyset} = C_0$ .)

In order to facilitate the discussion, we list some results from [15]. We first recall the following definition.

DEFINITION 2.6. Let *C* be a semidualizing *R*-module. The *Auslander class*  $\mathscr{A}_C(R)$  with respect to *C* is the class of all *R*-modules *M* satisfying the following conditions:

(1) the natural map  $\gamma_M^C: M \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(C, C \otimes_R M)$  is an isomorphism,

(2)  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^{R}(C, M) = 0 = \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{\geq 1}(C, C \otimes_{R} M).$ 

PROPOSITION 2.7. Assume that  $[C_n] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1] \triangleleft [C_0]$  is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  such that  $\mathfrak{G}_{C_1}(R) \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_2}(R) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_n}(R)$ .

(1) [15, Lemma 4.3] For each *i*, *p* with  $1 \le i \le i + p \le n$ ,

$$B_{\{i,i+1,\dots,i+p\}} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(C_{i-1}, C_{i+p}).$$

(2) [15, Lemma 4.4] If  $1 \le i < j - 1 \le n - 1$ , then

$$B_{\{i,j\}} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(\operatorname{Hom}_R(B_i, C_{j-1}), C_j).$$

- (3) [15, Lemma 4.5] For each sequence  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \ldots, i_j\} \subseteq [n]$ , the *R*-module  $B_{\mathbf{i}}$  is a semidualizing.
- (4) [15, Lemma 4.6] If  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \ldots, i_j\} \subseteq [n]$  and  $\mathbf{s} = \{s_1, \ldots, s_t\} \subseteq [n]$  are two sequences with  $\mathbf{s} \subseteq \mathbf{i}$ , then  $[B_\mathbf{i}] \trianglelefteq [B_\mathbf{s}]$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(B_\mathbf{s}, B_\mathbf{i}) \cong B_{\mathbf{i} \setminus \mathbf{s}}$ .
- (5) [15, Theorem 4.11] If  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \dots, i_j\} \subseteq [n]$  and  $\mathbf{s} = \{s_1, \dots, s_t\} \subseteq [n]$  are two sequences, then the following conditions are equivalent:
  - (a)  $B_{\mathbf{i}} \in \mathscr{A}_{B_{\mathbf{s}}}(R)$ ,
  - (b)  $B_{\mathbf{s}} \in \mathscr{A}_{B_{\mathbf{i}}}(R)$ ,
  - (c) the *R*-module  $B_i \otimes_R B_s$  is semidualizing,
  - (d)  $\mathbf{i} \cap \mathbf{s} = \emptyset$ .

At the end of this section we recall the definition of trivial extension ring. Note that this notion is the main key in the proof of the converse of Sharp's result [16], which is given by Foxby [4] and Reiten [13].

DEFINITION 2.8. For an *R*-module *M*, the *trivial extension* of *R* by *M* is the ring  $R \ltimes M$ , described as follows. As an *R*-module, we have  $R \ltimes M = R \oplus M$ . The multiplication is defined by (r, m)(r', m') = (rr', rm' + r'm). Note that the composition  $R \to R \ltimes M \to R$  of the natural homomorphisms is the identity map of *R*.

Note that, for a semidualizing *R*-module *C*, the trivial extension ring  $R \ltimes C$  is a commutative noetherian local ring. If *R* is Cohen-Macaulay then  $R \ltimes C$  is Cohen-Macaulay too. For more information about the trivial extension rings one may see, e.g., [11, Section 2].

# 3. Results

This section is devoted to the main result, Theorem 3.9, which extends the results of Jorgensen et al. [11, Theorem 3.2] and of Foxby [4] and Reiten [13].

For a semidualizing *R*-module *C*, set  $(-)^{\dagger_C} = \text{Hom}_R(-, C)$ . The following notations are taken from [15].

DEFINITION 3.1. Let  $[C_n] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1] \triangleleft [C_0]$  be a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ of length *n*. For each sequence of integers  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \ldots, i_j\}$  such that  $j \ge 0$ and  $1 \le i_1 < \ldots < i_j \le n$ , set  $C_{\mathbf{i}} = C_0^{\dagger c_{i_1} \dagger c_{i_2} \cdots \dagger c_{i_j}}$ . (When j = 0, set  $C_{\mathbf{i}} = C_{\emptyset} = C_{0.}$ )

We say that the above chain is *suitable* if  $C_0 = R$  and  $C_i$  is totally  $C_t$ -reflexive, for all **i** and *t* with  $i_j \leq t \leq n$ .

Note that if  $[C_n] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1] \triangleleft [R]$  is a suitable chain, then  $C_i$  is a semidualizing *R*-module for each  $\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]$ . Also, for each sequence of integers  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_m\}$  with  $1 \leq x_1 < \cdots < x_m \leq n$ , the sequence  $[C_{x_m}] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_{x_1}] \triangleleft [R]$  is a suitable chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length *m*.

Sather-Wagstaff, in [15, Theorem 3.3], proves that if  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  admits a chain  $[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1] \lhd [C_0]$  such that  $\mathfrak{G}_{C_0}(R) \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_1}(R) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_n}(R)$ , then  $|\mathfrak{G}_0(R)| \ge 2^n$ . Indeed, the classes  $[C_i]$ , which are parameterized by the allowable sequences **i**, are precisely the  $2^n$  classes constructed in the proof of [15, Theorem 3.3].

THEOREM 3.2 ([15, Theorem 4.7]). Let  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  admit a chain  $[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1] \lhd [C_0]$  such that  $\mathfrak{G}_{C_1}(R) \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_2}(R) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_n}(R)$ . If  $C_0 = R$ , then the *R*-modules  $B_i$  are precisely the  $2^n$  semidualizing modules constructed in [15, Theorem 3.3].

REMARK 3.3. In Proposition 2.7 and Theorem 3.2, if we replace the assumption of existence of a chain  $[C_n] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1] \triangleleft [C_0]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  such that  $\mathfrak{G}_{C_1}(R) \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_2}(R) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathfrak{G}_{C_n}(R)$  by the existence of a suitable chain, then the assertions hold true as well.

The next lemma and proposition give us sufficient tools to treat Theorem 3.9.

LEMMA 3.4. Assume that R admits a suitable chain  $[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1] \lhd [C_0] = [R]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . Then for any  $k \in [n]$ , there exists a suitable chain

$$[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_{k+1}] \lhd [C_k] \lhd [C_1^{\dagger_{C_k}}] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_{k-2}^{\dagger_{C_k}}] \lhd [C_{k-1}^{\dagger_{C_k}}] \lhd [R]$$
(1)

in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length n.

PROOF. For  $i, j, 0 \leq j < i \leq k$ , as  $[C_i] \lhd [C_j]$  one has  $[C_j^{\dagger_{C_k}}] \lhd [C_i^{\dagger_{C_k}}]$ . As  $[C_k] \neq [C_i^{\dagger_{C_k}}]$ , one gets  $[C_t] \lhd [C_i^{\dagger_{C_k}}]$  for each  $t, k \leq t \leq n$ . Thus (1) is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length n.

Next, we show that (1) is a suitable chain. For  $r, t \in \{0, 1, ..., n\}$  and a sequence  $\{x_1, ..., x_m\}$  of integers with  $r \leq x_1 < \cdots < x_m \leq t$ , repeated use

of Theorem 2.4 implies

$$C_r^{\dagger_{C_t}} \cong C_r^{\dagger_{C_{x_1}}} \otimes_R C_{x_1}^{\dagger_{C_{x_2}}} \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R C_{x_m}^{\dagger_{C_t}}.$$

For each r, 0 < r < k, set  $C'_r = C_r^{\dagger_{c_k}}$ . If  $\mathbf{i} = \{i_1, \dots, i_j\}$  and  $\mathbf{u} = \{u_1, \dots, u_s\}$  are sequences of integers such that  $j, s \ge 0$  and  $1 \le i_j < \dots < i_1 < k \le u_1 < \dots < u_s \le n$ , then we set

$$C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}}=C_0^{\dagger_{C_{i_1}}\ldots\dagger_{C_{i_j}}\dagger_{C_{u_1}}\ldots\dagger_{C_{u_s}}}.$$

When s = 0 (resp., j = 0 or j = 0 = s), we have  $C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} = C_{\mathbf{i},\emptyset}$  (resp.,  $C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} = C_{\emptyset,\mathbf{u}}$  or  $C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} = C_{\emptyset,\emptyset} = C_0$ ).

By Proposition 2.7(4) and Remark 3.3, one has  $C_0^{\dagger c'_{i_1} \dagger c'_{i_2}} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(C_{i_1}^{\dagger c_k}, C_{i_2}^{\dagger c_k}) \cong C_{i_2}^{\dagger c_{i_1}}$  and so  $C_0^{\dagger c'_{i_1} \dagger c'_{i_2} \dagger c'_{i_3}} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(C_{i_2}^{\dagger c_{i_1}}, C_{i_3}^{\dagger c_k}) \cong C_{i_3}^{\dagger c_{i_2}} \otimes_R C_{i_1}^{\dagger c_k}$ . By proceeding in this way one obtains the following isomorphism

$$C_{0}^{\dagger_{C_{i_{1}}}\dots\dagger_{C_{i_{j}}}} \cong \begin{cases} C_{i_{j}}^{\dagger_{c_{i_{j-1}}}} \otimes_{R} C_{i_{j-2}}^{\dagger_{c_{i_{j-3}}}} \otimes_{R} \dots \otimes_{R} C_{i_{2}}^{\dagger_{c_{i_{1}}}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is even,} \\ \\ C_{i_{j}}^{\dagger_{c_{i_{j-1}}}} \otimes_{R} C_{i_{j-2}}^{\dagger_{c_{i_{j-3}}}} \otimes_{R} \dots \otimes_{R} C_{i_{1}}^{\dagger_{c_{k}}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

$$(2)$$

Therefore, by Proposition 2.7(2) and Remark 3.3,

$$C_0^{\dagger_{c_{i_1}}\dots\dagger_{c_{i_j}}} \cong \begin{cases} C_0^{\dagger_{c_{i_j}}\dots\dagger_{c_{i_1}}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is even,} \\ \\ C_0^{\dagger_{c_{i_j}}\dots\dagger_{c_{i_1}}\dagger_{c_k}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

and thus

$$C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} \cong \begin{cases} C_0^{\dagger_{c_{i_j}} \dots \dagger_{c_{i_1}} \dagger_{c_{u_1}} \dots \dagger_{c_{u_s}}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is even} \\ \\ C_0^{\dagger_{c_{i_j}} \dots \dagger_{c_{i_1}} \dagger_{c_k} \dagger_{c_{u_1}} \dots \dagger_{c_{u_s}}}, & \text{if } j \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Hence, by assumption,  $[C_t] \trianglelefteq [C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}}]$  for all  $t, t \ge u_s$ . If s = 0, then  $C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} = C_{\mathbf{i},\emptyset} = C_0^{\dagger_{C_{i_1}} \dots \dagger_{C_{i_j}}}$ .

On the other hand, for each  $\ell$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq i_i$ , we have

$$C_{\ell}^{\dagger_{C_k}} \cong C_{\ell}^{\dagger_{C_{i_j}}} \otimes_R C_{i_j}^{\dagger_{C_{i_{j-1}}}} \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R C_{i_3}^{\dagger_{C_{i_2}}} \otimes_R C_{i_2}^{\dagger_{C_{i_1}}} \otimes_R C_{i_1}^{\dagger_{C_k}}.$$

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Thus, by Proposition 2.7(4) and (2),  $\left[C_{\ell}^{\dagger c_k}\right] \leq [C_{i,\mathbf{u}}]$ . Hence the chain (1) is suitable.

REMARK 3.5. Let *R* be Cohen-Macaulay and  $[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1] \lhd [C_0]$ be a suitable chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . For any  $k, 1 \leq k \leq n$ , set  $R_k = R \ltimes C_{k-1}^{\dagger_{C_k}}$ , the trivial extension of *R* by  $C_{k-1}^{\dagger_{C_k}}$ . Then  $R_k$  is totally  $C_{\ell}^{\dagger_{C_k}}$ -reflexive and totally  $C_t$ -reflexive *R*-module for all  $\ell, t$  with  $1 \leq \ell < k \leq t \leq n$ . Set

$$C_{\ell}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R_{k}, C_{k-1-\ell}^{\dagger}), & \text{if } 0 \leq \ell < k-1, \\ \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R_{k}, C_{\ell+1}), & \text{if } k-1 \leq \ell \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

Then, by Remark 2.2,  $C_{\ell}^{(k)}$  is a semidualizing  $R_k$ -module for all  $\ell$ ,  $0 \leq \ell \leq n-1$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.6.** Under the hypotheses of Remark 3.5, for all  $k, 1 \le k \le n$ ,

$$[C_{n-1}^{(k)}] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [C_1^{(k)}] \triangleleft [R_k]$$

is a suitable chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_k)$  of length n-1.

PROOF. Let  $k \in [n]$ . For integers a, b with  $a \neq b$  and  $0 \leq a, b \leq n-1$ , we observe that  $[C_a^{(k)}] \neq [C_b^{(k)}]$ . Indeed, we consider the three cases  $0 \leq a, b < k-1, 0 \leq a < k-1 \leq b \leq n-1$ , and  $k-1 \leq a, b \leq n-1$ . We only discuss the first case. The other cases are treated in a similar way. For  $0 \leq a, b < k-1$ , if  $[C_a^{(k)}] = [C_b^{(k)}]$ , then  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, C_{k-1-a}^{\dagger c_k}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, C_{k-1-b}^{\dagger c_k})$  and so  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_k}(R, \operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, C_{k-1-a}^{\dagger c_k})) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R_k}(R, \operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, C_{k-1-b}^{\dagger c_k}))$ . Thus, by adjointness,  $C_{k-1-a}^{\dagger c_k} \cong C_{k-1-b}^{\dagger c_k}$ , which contradicts with (1) in Lemma 3.4.

In order to proceed with the proof, for an  $R_k$ -module M, we invent the symbol  $(-)^{\dagger_M^k} = \operatorname{Hom}_{R_k}(-, M)$ . Note that, for  $R_k$ -modules  $M_1, \ldots, M_t$ , we have

$$(-)^{\dagger_{M_{1}}^{k}\dagger_{M_{2}}^{k}\cdots\dagger_{M_{t}}^{k}} = \left(\left(\left((-)^{\dagger_{M_{1}}^{k}}\right)^{\dagger_{M_{2}}^{k}}\right)^{m}\right)^{\dagger_{M_{t}}^{k}} = \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{k}}\left((-)^{\dagger_{M_{1}}^{k}\dagger_{M_{2}}^{k}\cdots\dagger_{M_{t-1}}^{k}}, M_{t}\right).$$

For two sequences of integers  $\mathbf{p} = \{p_1, \dots, p_r\}$  and  $\mathbf{q} = \{q_1, \dots, q_s\}$  such that  $r, s \ge 0$  and  $0 < p_1 < \dots < p_r < k - 1 \le q_1 < \dots < q_s \le n - 1$ , set

$$C_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} = R_k^{\dagger_{\mathcal{C}_{p_1}^{(k)}}^k \dots \dagger_{\mathcal{C}_{p_r}^{(k)}}^k \dagger_{\mathcal{C}_{q_1}^{(k)}}^k \dots \dagger_{\mathcal{C}_{q_s}^{(k)}}^k}$$

Therefore one gets the following *R*-module isomorphisms

where  $\mathbf{i} = \{k - 1 - p_1, \dots, k - 1 - p_r\}, \mathbf{i}' = \{k - 1, k - 1 - p_1, \dots, k - 1 - p_r\},\$  $\mathbf{u} = \{q_1 + 1, \dots, q_s + 1\}, C'_{\ell} = C^{\dagger c_k}_{\ell}, \text{ for all } 0 < \ell < k, \text{ and } C_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{u}} \text{ and } C_{\mathbf{i}',\mathbf{u}} \text{ are as in the proof of Lemma 3.4.}$ 

As  $[C_{t+1}] \leq [C_{i,\mathbf{u}}]$  and  $[C_{t+1}] \leq [C_{\mathbf{i}',\mathbf{u}}]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  for all  $t, q_s \leq t \leq n-1$ , one gets  $[C_t^{(k)}] \leq [C_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)}]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_k)$ , by [2, Theorem 6.5]. When s = 0 we have  $C_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} = C_{\mathbf{p},\emptyset}^{(k)} \cong C_{\mathbf{i},\emptyset} \oplus C_{\mathbf{i}',\emptyset}$ . By Lemma 3.4, for all  $m, p_r \leq m < k-1$ , one has  $[C_{k-1-m}^{\dagger}] \leq [C_{\mathbf{i},\emptyset}]$  and  $[C_{k-1-m}^{\dagger}] \leq [C_{\mathbf{i}',\emptyset}]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$ . Thus, by [2, Theorem 6.5], one gets  $[C_m^{(k)}] \leq [C_{\mathbf{p},\emptyset}^{(k)}]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_k)$ . Hence  $[C_{n-1}^{(k)}] < \cdots < [C_1^{(k)}] < [R_k]$  is a suitable chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_k)$  of length n-1.

To state our main result, we recall the definitions of Tate homology and Tate cohomology (see [1] and [11] for more details).

DEFINITION 3.7. Let *M* be a finite *R*-module. A *Tate resolution* of *M* is a diagram  $\mathbf{T} \xrightarrow{\vartheta} \mathbf{P} \xrightarrow{\pi} M$ , where  $\pi$  is an *R*-projective resolution of *M*, **T** is an exact complex of projectives such that  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, R)$  is exact,  $\vartheta$  is a morphism, and  $\vartheta_i$  is isomorphism for all  $i \gg 0$ .

By [1, Theorem 3.1], a finite R-module has finite G-dimension if and only if it admits a Tate resolution.

DEFINITION 3.8. Let *M* be a finite *R*-module of finite G-dimension, and let  $\mathbf{T} \xrightarrow{\vartheta} \mathbf{P} \xrightarrow{\pi} M$  be a Tate resolution of *M*. For each integer *i* and each *R*-module *N*, the *i*th *Tate homology* and *Tate cohomology* modules are

$$\widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{i}^{K}(M,N) = \operatorname{H}_{i}(\mathbf{T} \otimes_{R} N), \quad \widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R}^{l}(M,N) = \operatorname{H}_{-i}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(\mathbf{T},N)).$$

THEOREM 3.9. Let R be a Cohen-Macaulay ring with a dualizing module D. Assume that R admits a suitable chain  $[C_n] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1] \lhd [R]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  and that  $C_n \cong D$ . Then there exist a Gorenstein local ring Q and ideals  $I_1, \ldots, I_n$  of Q, which satisfy the conditions below. In this situation, for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ , set  $R_{\Lambda} = Q/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell})$ , in particular  $R_{\emptyset} = Q$ .

- (1) There is a ring isomorphism  $R \cong Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_n)$ .
- (2) For each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$  with  $\Lambda \neq \emptyset$ , the ring  $R_{\Lambda}$  is non-Gorenstein Cohen-Macaulay with a dualizing module.
- (3) For each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$  with  $\Lambda \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $\bigcap_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} = \prod_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell}$ .
- (4) For subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \Lambda$ , we have  $\operatorname{G-dim}_{R_{\Gamma}} R_{\Lambda} = 0$ , and  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$  is a non-free semidualizing  $R_{\Lambda}$ -module.
- (5) For subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $\Lambda \neq \Gamma$ , the module  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$  is not cyclic and

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{\geq 1}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0 = \operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}).$$

(6) For subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $|\Lambda \setminus \Gamma| = 1$ , we have

$$\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}^{i}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0 = \widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}_{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$$

for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The ring Q is constructed as an iterated trivial extension of R. As an R-module, it has the form  $Q = \bigoplus_{i \subseteq [n]} B_i$ . The details are contained in the following construction.

CONSTRUCTION 3.10. We construct the ring Q by induction on n. We claim that the ring Q, as an R-module, has the form  $Q = \bigoplus_{i \subseteq [n]} B_i$  and the ring structure on it is as follows: for two elements  $(\alpha_i)_{i \subseteq [n]}$  and  $(\theta_i)_{i \subseteq [n]}$  of Q,

$$(\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]}(\theta_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]} = (\sigma_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]}, \quad \text{where} \quad \sigma_{\mathbf{i}} = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \mathbf{i} \\ \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{i} \setminus \mathbf{v}}} \alpha_{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \theta_{\mathbf{w}}.$$

For n = 1, set  $Q = R \ltimes C_1$  and  $I_1 = 0 \oplus C_1$ , which is the result of Foxby [4] and Reiten [13]. The case n = 2 is proved by Jorgensen et al. [11, Theorem 3.2]. They proved that the extension ring Q has the form  $Q = R \oplus C_1 \oplus C_1^{\dagger c_2} \oplus C_2$ as an R-module (i.e.  $Q = B_{\emptyset} \oplus B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus B_{\{1,2\}}$ ). Also the ring structure on Q is given by (r, c, f, d)(r', c', f', d') = (rr', rc' + r'c, rf' + r'f, f'(c) + <math>f(c') + rd' + r'd). The ideal  $I_{\ell}, \ell = 1, 2$ , has the form  $I_{\ell} = 0 \oplus 0 \oplus B_{\ell} \oplus B_{\{1,2\}}$ . Let n > 2. Take an element  $k \in [n]$ . By Proposition 3.6, the ring  $R_k =$ 

 $R \ltimes C_{k-1}^{\dagger_{C_k}}$  has the suitable chain  $[C_{n-1}^{(k)}] \lhd \cdots \lhd [C_1^{(k)}] \lhd [R_k]$  in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_k)$  of length n-1. Note that  $C_{n-1}^{(k)} = \operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, C_n) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(R_k, D)$  is a dualizing  $R_k$ -module.

We set  $B_i^{(k)} = \text{Hom}_{R_k}(C_{i-1}^{(k)}, C_i^{(k)}), i = 1, ..., n - 1$ . For two sequences  $\mathbf{p} = \{p_1, ..., p_r\}, \mathbf{q} = \{q_1, ..., q_s\}$  such that  $r, s \ge 1$  and  $1 \le p_1 < \cdots < p_r < k - 1 \le q_1 < \cdots < q_s \le n - 1$ , we set

$$B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} = B_{p_1}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} \cdots \otimes_{R_k} B_{p_r}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} B_{q_1}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} \cdots \otimes_{R_k} B_{q_s}^{(k)}, \qquad (3)$$

and

$$B_{\mathbf{p},\emptyset}^{(k)} = B_{p_1}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} \cdots \otimes_{R_k} B_{p_r}^{(k)}, \quad B_{\emptyset,\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} = B_{q_1}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} \cdots \otimes_{R_k} B_{q_k}^{(k)}.$$

and

$$B_{\emptyset,\emptyset}^{(k)}=C_0^{(k)}=R_k.$$

By applying the induction hypothesis on  $R_k$ , there is an extension ring, say  $Q_k$ , which is Gorenstein local and, as an  $R_k$ -module, has the form

$$Q_k = \bigoplus_{\substack{\mathbf{p} \subseteq \{1,\ldots,k-2\}\\ \mathbf{q} \subseteq \{k-1,\ldots,n-1\}}} B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)}.$$

Moreover, the ring structure on  $Q_k$  is as follows: for  $\phi = (\phi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}})_{\substack{\mathbf{p} \subseteq \{1,\dots,k-2\},\\\mathbf{q} \subseteq \{k-1,\dots,n-1\}}}$ and  $\varphi = (\varphi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}})_{\mathbf{p} \subseteq \{1,\dots,k-2\}, \mathbf{q} \subseteq \{k-1,\dots,n-1\}}$  of  $Q_k$ 

$$\phi \varphi = \psi = (\psi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}})_{\mathbf{p} \subseteq \{1,\dots,k-2\}, \mathbf{q} \subseteq \{k-1,\dots,n-1\}},$$
  
where  $\psi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{a} \subseteq \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{b} \subseteq \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{p} \setminus \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{q} \setminus \mathbf{b}}} \phi_{\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b}} \cdot \varphi_{\mathbf{c},\mathbf{d}}.$  (4)

For each **p**, **q**, Proposition 2.7(2), Remark 3.3 and (3) imply the following R-module isomorphism

$$B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} \cong \begin{cases} B_{\{k-p_r,\dots,k-p_1,q_1+1,\dots,q_s+1\}} \oplus B_{\{k-p_r,\dots,k-p_1,k,q_1+1,\dots,q_s+1\}}, \\ \text{or} \\ B_{\{1,k-p_r,\dots,k-p_1,q_2+1,\dots,q_s+1\}} \oplus B_{\{1,k-p_r,\dots,k-p_1,k,q_2+1,\dots,q_s+1\}}. \end{cases}$$
(5)

Therefore one gets an *R*-module isomorphism  $Q_k \cong \bigoplus_{i \in [n]} B_i$ . Set  $Q = Q_k$ .

Assume that  $\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}' \subseteq \{1, \ldots, k-2\}$  and  $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}' \subseteq \{k-1, \ldots, n-1\}$  are such that  $\mathbf{p} \cap \mathbf{p}' = \emptyset$  and  $\mathbf{q} \cap \mathbf{q}' = \emptyset$ . By Proposition 2.7(5) and Remark 3.3, the  $R_k$ -module  $B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} B_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'}^{(k)}$  is a semidualizing and so  $B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)} \otimes_{R_k} B_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'}^{(k)} = B_{\mathbf{p}\cup\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}\cup\mathbf{q}'}^{(k)}$ . If  $\phi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} \in B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)}$  and  $\varphi_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'} \in B_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'}^{(k)}$ , then by the isomorphism (5), one has  $\phi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} = (\beta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}, \gamma_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}'})$ , so that

$$\phi_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} \cdot \varphi_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'} = (\beta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} \cdot \beta_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'}, \ \beta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}} \cdot \gamma_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'} + \beta_{\mathbf{p}',\mathbf{q}'} \cdot \gamma_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}})$$

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Thus by means of the ring structure on  $Q_k$ , (4), one can see that the resulting ring structure on Q is as claimed.

The next step is to introduce the ideals  $I_1, \ldots, I_n$ . We set

$$I_{\ell} = (\underbrace{0 \oplus \cdots \oplus 0}_{2^{n-1}}) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n], \ell \in \mathbf{i}} B_{\mathbf{i}}\right), \qquad 1 \leqslant \ell \leqslant n,$$

which is an ideal of Q. Also we have the following sequence of R-isomorphisms which preserve ring isomorphisms:

$$Q/(I_1 + \dots + I_n) = \left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]} B_{\mathbf{i}}\right) / \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n (\underbrace{0 \oplus \dots \oplus 0}_{2^{n-1}}) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n], \ \ell \in \mathbf{i}} B_{\mathbf{i}}\right)\right)$$
$$\cong \left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n]} B_{\mathbf{i}}\right) / \left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n], \mathbf{i} \neq \emptyset} B_{\mathbf{i}}\right)$$
$$\cong R.$$

Note that each ideal  $I_{k,\ell}$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq n-1$ , of  $Q_k$  has the form  $I_{k,\ell} = (\underbrace{0 \oplus \cdots \oplus 0}_{2^{n-2}}) \oplus (\bigoplus_{\ell \in \mathbf{p} \cup \mathbf{q}} B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)})$ . Then, by (5), one has the following *R*-module

isomorphism

$$I_{k,\ell} \cong \begin{cases} I_{k-\ell}, & \text{if } 1 \leqslant \ell \leqslant k-1, \\ I_{\ell+1}, & \text{if } k \leqslant \ell \leqslant n-1. \end{cases}$$

Also, by means of the ring isomorphism  $Q_k \rightarrow Q$ , we have the natural correspondence between ideals:

$$I_{k,\ell} \xleftarrow{\text{correspond}} \begin{cases} I_{k-\ell}, & \text{if } 1 \leq \ell \leq k-1, \\ I_{\ell+1}, & \text{if } k \leq \ell \leq n-1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n] \setminus \{k\}$ , there is a ring isomorphism  $Q/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell) \cong Q_k/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$ , for some  $\Lambda' \subseteq [n-1]$ .

The proof of Theorem 3.9, which is inspired by the proof of [11, Theorem 3.2], is rather technical and needs some preparatory lemmas.

LEMMA 3.11. Assume that  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ . Under the hypothesis of Theorem 3.9, if  $[n] \setminus \Lambda = \{b_1, \ldots, b_t\}$  with  $1 \leq b_1 < \cdots < b_t \leq n$ , then there is an *R*-isomorphism

$$R_{\Lambda} \cong \bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}} B_{\mathbf{i}}$$

which induces a ring structure on  $R_{\Lambda}$  as follows: for elements  $(\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1,...,b_t\}}$ and  $(\theta_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1,...,b_t\}}$  of  $R_{\Lambda}$ ,

$$(\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}}(\theta_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}} = (\sigma_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}}, \quad where \ \sigma_{\mathbf{i}} = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \mathbf{i} \\ \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{i} \setminus \mathbf{v}}} \alpha_{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \theta_{\mathbf{w}}.$$

PROOF. We prove by induction on *n*. The case n = 1 is clear. The case n = 2 is proved in [11]. Assume that n > 2 and the assertion holds true for n - 1.

If  $\Lambda = [n]$ , there is nothing to prove. Suppose that  $|\Lambda| \leq n - 1$  then there exists  $k \in [n]$  such that  $\Lambda \subseteq [n] \setminus \{k\}$ . Thus, by Construction 3.10, there exists a subset  $\Lambda'$  of [n - 1] such that  $R_{\Lambda} \cong Q_k / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$  as ring isomorphism.

Note that  $|[n-1]\setminus \Lambda'| = t-1$ . Set  $[n-1]\setminus \Lambda' = \{d_1, \ldots, d_u, d_{u+1}, \ldots, d_{t-1}\}$ such that  $1 \leq d_1 < \cdots < d_u < k-1$  and  $k-1 \leq d_{u+1} < \cdots < d_{t-1} \leq n-1$ . Then by induction there exists an  $R_k$ -isomorphism

$$Q_k / \left(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell}\right) \cong \bigoplus_{\substack{\mathbf{p} \subseteq \{d_1,\dots,d_u\}\\ \mathbf{q} \subseteq \{d_{u+1},\dots,d_{t-1}\}}} B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)}.$$

Proceeding as Construction 3.10, there is an *R*-isomorphism

$$\left(\bigoplus_{\substack{\mathbf{p}\subseteq\{d_1,\ldots,d_u\}\\\mathbf{q}\subseteq\{d_{u+1},\ldots,d_{t-1}\}}}B_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}^{(k)}\right)\cong\left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i}\subseteq\{b_1,\ldots,b_t\}}B_{\mathbf{i}}\right).$$

Therefore one has an *R*-isomorphism  $R_{\Lambda} \cong \bigoplus_{i \in \{b_1,...,b_t\}} B_i$ . Similar to Construction 3.10,  $R_{\Lambda}$  has the desired ring structure.

LEMMA 3.12. Under the hypothesis of Theorem 3.9, if  $\Gamma \subsetneq \Lambda \subseteq [n]$ , we have  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Gamma}}^{\geq 1}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$  is a non-free semidualizing  $R_{\Lambda}$ -module.

PROOF. The case n = 1 is clear and the case n = 2 is proved in [11, Lemma 3.8]. Let n > 2 and suppose that the assertion is settled for n - 1.

First assume that  $\Lambda = [n]$ . Set  $[n] \setminus \Gamma = \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$  with  $1 \leq a_1 < \cdots < a_s \leq n$ . By Lemma 3.11,  $R_{\Gamma} \cong \bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}} B_{\mathbf{i}}$ . By Proposition 2.7(4) and Remark 3.3,  $[B_{\{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}}] \trianglelefteq [B_{\mathbf{i}}]$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(B_{\mathbf{i}}, B_{\{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}}) \cong B_{\{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}}$ , i, for all

 $\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$ . Therefore there are *R*-isomorphisms

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R_{\Gamma}, B_{\{a_{1},...,a_{s}\}}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}\left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{a_{1},...,a_{s}\}} B_{\mathbf{i}}, B_{\{a_{1},...,a_{s}\}}\right)$$
$$\cong \bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{a_{1},...,a_{s}\}} B_{\mathbf{i}} \cong R_{\Gamma}$$

and, for all  $i \ge 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(R_{\Gamma}, B_{\{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}}) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}\left(\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}} B_{\mathbf{i}}, B_{\{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}}\right) = 0.$$

Let **E** be an injective resolution of  $B_{\{a_1,...,a_s\}}$  as an *R*-module. Thus Hom<sub>*R*</sub>( $R_{\Gamma}$ , **E**) is an injective resolution of  $R_{\Gamma}$  as an  $R_{\Gamma}$ -module. Note that the composition of natural homomorphisms  $R \to R_{\Gamma} \to R$  is the identity id<sub>*R*</sub>. Therefore

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R, \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R_{\Gamma}, \mathbf{E})) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R \otimes_{R_{\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma}, \mathbf{E}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R, \mathbf{E}) \cong \mathbf{E}.$ 

Hence

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Gamma}}^{l}(R, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{H}^{l}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R, \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R_{\Gamma}, \mathbf{E})))$$

$$\cong \mathbf{H}^{i}(\mathbf{E})$$
$$\cong \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i > 0, \\ B_{\{a_{1},\dots,a_{s}\}}, & \text{if } i = 0. \end{cases}$$

As  $\{a_1, \ldots, a_s\} \neq \emptyset$ , the *R*-module  $B_{\{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}}$  is a non-free semidualizing.

Now assume that  $|\Lambda| \leq n-1$ . There exist  $k \in [n]$ , and subsets  $\Gamma'$ ,  $\Lambda'$  of [n-1] such that there are *R*-isomorphisms and ring isomorphisms  $R_{\Gamma} \cong Q_k/(\sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell})$  and  $R_{\Lambda} \cong Q_k/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$ , where  $Q_k$  and  $I_{k,\ell}$  are as in Construction 3.10. By induction we have

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{Q}_{k}/(\sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell})}^{i}\left(\mathcal{Q}_{k}/\left(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell}\right), \mathcal{Q}_{k}/\left(\sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell}\right)\right) = 0$$

for all  $i \ge 1$ , and

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{Q_{k}/(\sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell})} \left( Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell} \right), Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right) \right)$$

is a non-free semidualizing  $Q_k / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$ -module. Then  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$  is a non-free semidualizing  $R_{\Lambda}$ -module.

LEMMA 3.13. Under the hypothesis of Theorem 3.9, if  $\Lambda$  and  $\Gamma$  are two subsets of [n], then  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^{R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ . Moreover, there is an  $R_{\Lambda}$ -algebra isomorphism  $R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}} R_{\Gamma} \cong R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ .

PROOF. We prove by induction. If n = 1, there is nothing to prove. The case n = 2 is proved in [11, Lemma 3.9]. Let n > 2 and suppose that the assertion holds true for n-1. First assume that  $\Lambda \cup \Gamma = [n]$  and set  $[n] \setminus \Lambda = \{b_1, \ldots, b_t\}$ ,  $[n] \setminus \Gamma = \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$ . Then  $[n] \setminus (\Lambda \cap \Gamma) = \{b_1, \ldots, b_t, a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$ . By Lemma 3.11,  $R_{\Lambda} \cong \bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \ldots, b_t\}} B_{\mathbf{i}}$  and  $R_{\Gamma} \cong \bigoplus_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}} B_{\mathbf{u}}$ .

As  $\{b_1, \ldots, b_t\} \cap \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\} = \emptyset$ , for each  $\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \ldots, b_t\}$  and  $\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$ , by Proposition 2.7(5) and Remark 3.3, one has  $B_{\mathbf{i}} \in \mathscr{A}_{B_{\mathbf{u}}}(R)$  and so  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^R(B_{\mathbf{i}}, B_{\mathbf{u}}) = 0$ . Hence  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^R(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ .

By Proposition 2.7(5) and Remark 3.3, the *R*-module  $B_i \otimes_R B_u$  is semidualizing and so  $B_i \otimes_R B_u = B_{i \cup u}$ . Therefore one has the natural *R*-module isomorphism

$$\eta \colon R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} R_{\Gamma} \longrightarrow R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma},$$
  
$$\eta \big( (\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_{1}, \dots, b_{t}\}} \otimes (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}} \big) = (\alpha_{\mathbf{i}} \cdot \theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\substack{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_{1}, \dots, b_{t}\}\\ \mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}}}$$

It is routine to check that  $\eta$  is also a ring isomorphism.

On the other hand the natural maps

$$\zeta: R_{\Lambda} \to R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} R_{\Gamma}, \quad \zeta \left( (\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_{1}, \dots, b_{t}\}} \right) = (\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_{1}, \dots, b_{t}\}} \otimes (\dot{\theta}_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_{1}, \dots, a_{s}\}}$$

and

$$\varepsilon: R_{\Lambda} \to R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}, \quad \varepsilon \big( (\alpha_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}} \big) = (\chi_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}},$$

where

$$\dot{\theta}_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{u} \neq \emptyset, \\ 1, & \text{if } \mathbf{u} = \emptyset, \end{cases} \text{ and } \chi_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} \alpha_{\mathbf{v}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{a_1, \dots, a_s\} = \emptyset, \\ 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{a_1, \dots, a_s\} \neq \emptyset, \end{cases}$$

are ring homomorphisms. It is easy to check that  $\eta \zeta = \varepsilon$ . Hence  $R_{\Lambda} \otimes_R R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\eta} R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$  is an  $R_{\Lambda}$ -algebra isomorphism.

Now let  $\Lambda \cup \Gamma \subsetneq [n]$ , then, by Construction 3.10, there exist  $k \in [n]$  and  $\Lambda', \Gamma' \subseteq [n-1]$  such that there are *R*-isomorphisms and ring isomorphisms

$$R_{\Lambda} \cong Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell} \right), \quad R_{\Gamma} \cong Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right),$$
$$R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma} \cong Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda' \cup \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma} \cong Q_{k} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda' \cap \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right).$$

Thus, by induction, for all  $i \ge 1$ 

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{\mathcal{Q}_{k}/(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda'\cup\Gamma'}I_{k,\ell})} \left(\mathcal{Q}_{k}/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda'}I_{k,\ell}\right), \mathcal{Q}_{k}/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Gamma'}I_{k,\ell}\right)\right) = 0$$

and there is a  $Q_k/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$ -algebra isomorphism, and so  $R_{\Lambda}$ -algebra isomorphism, as follows:

$$\begin{split} R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}} R_{\Gamma} &\cong Q_k / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell} \right) \otimes_{Q_k / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda' \cup \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right)} Q_k / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right) \\ &\cong Q_k / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda' \cap \Gamma'} I_{k,\ell} \right) \\ &\cong R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}. \end{split}$$

LEMMA 3.14. Under the hypothesis of Theorem 3.9, if  $\Lambda$  and  $\Gamma$  are two subsets of [n], then  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^{R_{\Lambda}}(R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) = 0$ . Moreover, there is an  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -module isomorphism  $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma} \cong R_{\Gamma}$ .

PROOF. It is proved by induction on *n*. If n = 1, there is nothing to prove. The case n = 2 is proved in [11, Lemma 3.11]. Let n > 2 and suppose that the assertion holds true for n - 1.

First assume that  $\Lambda \cup \Gamma = [n]$ . Let **P** be an *R*-projective resolution of  $R_{\Gamma}$ . Lemma 3.13 implies that  $R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} \mathbf{P}$  is an  $R_{\Lambda}$ -projective resolution of  $R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} R_{\Gamma} \cong R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ . One has the following natural isomorphisms

$$R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} (R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} \mathbf{P}) \cong (R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda}) \otimes_{R} \mathbf{P} \cong R \otimes_{R} \mathbf{P} \cong \mathbf{P}$$

and then, for all  $i \ge 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda}}(R, R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{H}_{i}(R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} (R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} \mathbf{P})) \cong \operatorname{H}_{i}(\mathbf{P}) = 0.$$

Set  $[n] \setminus \Lambda = \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}$  and  $[n] \setminus \Gamma = \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}$ . Then  $[n] \setminus (\Lambda \cap \Gamma) = \{b_1, \dots, b_t, a_1, \dots, a_s\}$ . Consider the *R*-module isomorphism  $\xi \colon R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\cong} R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$  which is the composition

$$R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\cong} R \otimes_{R} R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\cong} R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} (R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R} R_{\Gamma}) \xrightarrow{\cong} R \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$$

given by

$$\begin{aligned} (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}} &\mapsto 1 \otimes (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}} \mapsto 1 \otimes [(\dot{\alpha}_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}} \otimes (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}}] \\ &\mapsto 1 \otimes (\lambda_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\dot{\alpha}_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \emptyset, \\ 1, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \emptyset, \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} \theta_{\mathbf{v}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} = \emptyset, \\ 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

We claim that  $\xi$  is an  $R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ -module isomorphism.

PROOF OF THE CLAIM. The  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -module structure of  $R_{\Gamma}$ , which is given via the natural surjection  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma} \to R_{\Gamma}$ , is described as

$$(\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s,b_1,\ldots,b_t\}}(\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}=(\gamma_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}(\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}},$$

where  $(\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1,...,a_s,b_1,...,b_t\}}$  is an element of  $R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ . In the following we check that

$$\xi \big( (\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}} \big)$$
  
=  $(\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} \big[ \xi \big( (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}} \big) \big].$ 

Note that

$$\begin{split} \xi\big((\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s,b_1,\ldots,b_t\}}(\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}\big) &= \xi\big((\gamma_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}(\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}\big) \\ &= \xi\big((\sigma_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s\}}\big) \\ &= 1 \otimes (\mu_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v}\subseteq\{a_1,\ldots,a_s,b_1,\ldots,b_t\}}, \end{split}$$

where  $(\sigma_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1,\dots,a_s\}} = (\gamma_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1,\dots,a_s\}} (\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1,\dots,a_s\}}$  and

$$\mu_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} \sigma_{\mathbf{v}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} = \emptyset, \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} [\xi((\theta_{\mathbf{u}})_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}})] \\ &= (\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} [1 \otimes (\lambda_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}] \\ &= 1 \otimes [(\gamma_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} (\lambda_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}] \\ &= 1 \otimes (\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}} \\ &= [1 \otimes (\mu_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}] + [1 \otimes \delta], \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta = (\delta_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}$  with

$$\delta_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} = \emptyset, \\ \varrho_{\mathbf{v}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

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It is enough to show that  $1 \otimes \delta = 0$ . To this end, we have

$$1 \otimes \delta = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{w} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\} \\ \mathbf{w} \cap \{b_1, \dots, b_t\} \neq \emptyset}} 1 \otimes \delta(\mathbf{w}),$$

where  $\delta(\mathbf{w}) = (\delta(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subset \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_t\}}$  with

$$\delta(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{w}, \\ \delta_{\mathbf{w}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}. \end{cases}$$

For each w, there exist  $\mathbf{w}' \subseteq \{b_1, \ldots, b_t\}$  and  $\mathbf{w}'' \subseteq \{a_1, \ldots, a_s\}$  with  $\mathbf{w}' \cup \mathbf{w}'' =$ w. Thus  $B_{\mathbf{w}'} \otimes_R B_{\mathbf{w}''} \stackrel{\rho_{\mathbf{w}}}{\cong} B_{\mathbf{w}}$  and there exist  $\delta'_{\mathbf{w}} \in B_{\mathbf{w}'}$  and  $\delta''_{\mathbf{w}} \in B_{\mathbf{w}''}$  such that  $\delta_{\mathbf{w}} = \rho_{\mathbf{w}}(\delta'_{\mathbf{w}} \otimes \delta''_{\mathbf{w}}).$ Set  $\alpha(\mathbf{w}) = (\alpha(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1, \dots, b_t\}}$ , where

$$\alpha(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{w}', \\ \delta'_{\mathbf{w}}, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{w}'. \end{cases}$$

As the  $R_{\Lambda}$ -module structure on R is given via the natural surjection  $R_{\Lambda} \longrightarrow R$ , and  $\alpha(\mathbf{w})$  is an element of the kernel of this map,  $0 \oplus (\bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq \{b_1,...,b_t\}, \mathbf{i} \neq \emptyset} B_{\mathbf{i}})$ , we have  $1\alpha(\mathbf{w}) = 0$ . Set  $\beta(\mathbf{w}) = (\beta(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{v}})_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_l\}}$ , where

$$\beta(\mathbf{w})_{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{w}'', \\ \delta_{\mathbf{w}}'', & \text{if } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}''. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\beta(\mathbf{w})$  is an element of  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$  and  $\delta(\mathbf{w}) = \alpha(\mathbf{w})\beta(\mathbf{w})$ . Then

$$1 \otimes \delta = \sum_{\mathbf{w}} 1 \otimes \delta(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{\mathbf{w}} 1 \otimes [\alpha(\mathbf{w})\beta(\mathbf{w})]$$
$$= \sum_{\mathbf{w}} [1\alpha(\mathbf{w})] \otimes \beta(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{\mathbf{w}} 0 \otimes \beta(\mathbf{w}) = 0$$

Therefore the claim is proved and also the assertion holds in the case  $\Lambda \cup \Gamma =$ [*n*].

We treat the case  $\Lambda \cup \Gamma \subseteq [n]$  by induction and its details are similar to the proof of Lemma 3.13.

**PROOF OF THEOREM 3.9.** (1) is proved in Construction 3.10.

(2) is proved by induction on *n*. The case n = 1 is clear from the assumptions. Let n > 1 and suppose the claim is settled for n - 1. If  $\Lambda = [n]$ , then  $R_{\Lambda} \cong R$  and is Cohen-Macaulay with the dualizing module D and is

not Gorenstein. Let  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ . There exists  $k \in [n]$  such that  $\Lambda \subseteq [n] \setminus \{k\}$ . By Construction 3.10, there exists a subset  $\Lambda' \neq \emptyset$  of [n - 1] such that  $R_{\Lambda} \cong Q_k/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda'} I_{k,\ell})$  as ring isomorphism. Thus, by induction,  $R_{\Lambda}$  is non-Gorenstein Cohen-Macaulay ring with dualizing module.

(3). It is clear that  $\prod_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} \subseteq \bigcap_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell}$ . Let  $\alpha = (\alpha_{i})_{i \subseteq [n]}$  be an element of  $\bigcap_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell}$ . Then, by Construction 3.10,  $\alpha_{i} = 0$  for all  $i \subseteq [n]$  with  $\Lambda \nsubseteq i$ . We have  $\alpha = \sum_{\Lambda \subseteq \mathbf{v} \subseteq [n]} \alpha(\mathbf{v})$ , where  $\alpha(\mathbf{v}) = (\alpha(\mathbf{v})_{i})_{i \subseteq [n]}$  with

$$\alpha(\mathbf{v})_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{v}, \\ \alpha_{\mathbf{v}} & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{v}. \end{cases}$$

Set  $\Lambda = \{a_1, \ldots, a_m\}$ . If  $\mathbf{v} \subseteq [n]$  is such that  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbf{v}$ , then  $\mathbf{v} = \{a_1\} \cup \{a_2\} \cup \cdots \cup \{a_{m-1}\} \cup (\mathbf{v} \setminus \{a_1, \ldots, a_{m-1}\})$ . Thus

$$B_{\mathbf{v}} \stackrel{\Phi}{\cong} B_{\{a_1\}} \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R B_{\{a_{m-1}\}} \otimes_R B_{\mathbf{v} \setminus \{a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}\}}$$

Therefore there exist  $\theta_{\mathbf{v},m} \in B_{\mathbf{v}\setminus\{a_1,\dots,a_{m-1}\}}$  and  $\theta_{\mathbf{v},r} \in B_{\{a_r\}}$ ,  $1 \leq r < m$ , such that  $\alpha_{\mathbf{v}} = \Phi(\theta_{\mathbf{v},1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \theta_{\mathbf{v},m-1} \otimes \theta_{\mathbf{v},m})$ . Set  $\varphi(\mathbf{v},r) = (\varphi(\mathbf{v},r)_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \leq [n]}$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq m$ , where, for  $1 \leq r < m$ ,

$$\varphi(\mathbf{v}, r)_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \{a_r\},\\\\ \theta_{\mathbf{v}, r}, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \{a_r\} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\varphi(\mathbf{v},m)_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{v} \setminus \{a_1,\ldots,a_{m-1}\}, \\ \theta_{\mathbf{v},m}, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{v} \setminus \{a_1,\ldots,a_{m-1}\}. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\varphi(\mathbf{v}, r) \in I_{a_r}, 1 \leq r \leq m$ . Hence  $\varphi(\mathbf{v}, 1) \dots \varphi(\mathbf{v}, m-1)\varphi(\mathbf{v}, m) \in \prod_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell$ . On the other hand  $\varphi(\mathbf{v}, 1) \dots \varphi(\mathbf{v}, m-1)\varphi(\mathbf{v}, m) = \alpha(\mathbf{v})$ . Thus  $\alpha(\mathbf{v})$  is an element of  $\prod_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell$  and so  $\alpha \in \prod_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_\ell$ .

(4) follows from by Remark 2.2 and Lemma 3.12.

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(5). Let **P** be a projective resolution of  $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}$  over  $R_{\Lambda}$ . Lemma 3.14 implies that the complex  $\mathbf{P} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$  is a  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -projective resolution of  $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma} \cong R_{\Gamma}$ . From the isomorphisms

$$(\mathbf{P} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}) \otimes_{R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}} R_{\Lambda} \cong \mathbf{P} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda} \cong \mathbf{P}$$

one gets

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Lambda}) \cong \operatorname{H}_{i}((\mathbf{P} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda}} R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Lambda}) \cong \operatorname{H}_{i}(\mathbf{P}) = 0.$$

for all  $i \ge 1$ . There is a natural isomorphism  $R_{\Lambda} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda} \cap \Gamma} R_{\Gamma} \cong R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}$  which is both an  $R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ - and an  $R_{\Gamma}$ -isomorphism.

Let **P**' be an  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -projective resolution of  $R_{\Lambda}$ . As seen in the above, **P**'  $\otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma}$  is a projective resolution of  $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}$  over  $R_{\Gamma}$ . Therefore we have

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{H}^{i}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(\mathbf{P}', R_{\Gamma}))$$
$$\cong \operatorname{H}^{i}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{P}' \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma}))$$
$$\cong \operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma}),$$

for all  $i \ge 0$ . By (4), G-dim<sub> $R_{\Gamma}$ </sub>  $R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma} = 0$ , and so one gets  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}}^{\ge 1}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ . Also, by (4),  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}, R_{\Gamma})$  is a non-free semidualizing  $R_{\Lambda \cup \Gamma}$ -module and thus  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$  is not cyclic.

(6). As  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma} = Q/(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma} I_\ell)$  and

$$R_{\Lambda} = Q / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} \right) \cong R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell} \right) \right),$$

one has the natural isomorphism

$$\kappa: \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \longrightarrow \left(0:_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} \middle/ \left(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda\cap\Gamma} I_{\ell}\right)\right),$$

 $\kappa(\psi) = \psi(\dot{\alpha})$ , where  $\dot{\alpha} = (\dot{\alpha}_i)_{i \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda}$  with

$$\dot{\alpha}_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \emptyset, \\ 1, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \emptyset, \end{cases}$$

is the identity element of  $R_{\Lambda}$ .

Next we show that

$$\left(0:_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda}I_{\ell}\middle/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma}I_{\ell}\right)\right)=\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda}I_{\ell}\middle/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma}I_{\ell}\right).$$

Set  $\Lambda \setminus \Gamma = \{a\}$ . Let  $\gamma = (\gamma_i)_{i \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda \cap \Gamma}$  be an element of

$$\left(0:_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda}I_{\ell}\Big/\Big(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma}I_{\ell}\Big)\Big).$$

If  $\gamma \notin \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell})$ , then there exists  $\mathbf{v} \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda \cap \Gamma$  such that  $a \notin \mathbf{v}$  and  $\gamma_{\mathbf{v}} \neq 0$ . Set  $M = R\gamma_{\mathbf{v}}$ , which is a non-zero submodule of  $B_{\mathbf{v}}$ . As  $B_{a}$  is a semidualizing *R*-module and  $M \neq 0$ , we have  $B_{a} \otimes_{R} M \neq 0$ . Thus there exists an element *e* of  $B_{a}$  such that  $e \otimes \gamma_{\mathbf{v}} \neq 0$ . Set  $\theta = (\theta_{\mathbf{i}})_{\mathbf{i} \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ , where

$$\theta_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} \neq \{a\}, \\ e, & \text{if } \mathbf{i} = \{a\}. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\theta$  is an element of  $\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell})$  and  $\gamma \theta \neq 0$ , which contradicts with  $\gamma \in (0 :_{R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}} \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell}))$ . Therefore

$$\left(0:_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda}I_{\ell}\middle/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma}I_{\ell}\right)\right)\subseteq\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda}I_{\ell}\middle/\left(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma}I_{\ell}\right)$$

On the other hand  $\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell}) \subseteq (0 :_{R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}} \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell}))$ . Indeed, if  $\alpha = (\alpha_{i})_{i \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda \cap \Gamma}$  and  $\alpha' = (\alpha'_{i})_{i \subseteq [n] \setminus \Lambda \cap \Gamma}$  are two elements of  $\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / (\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda \cap \Gamma} I_{\ell})$ , then  $\alpha_{i} = 0 = \alpha'_{i}$  for all i such that  $a \notin i$ . Hence, by Lemma 3.11,  $\alpha \alpha' = 0$ . Thus

$$\kappa: \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \longrightarrow \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell} / \left( \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda\cap\Gamma} I_{\ell} \right), \quad \kappa(\psi) = \psi(\dot{\alpha}) \quad (6)$$

is an  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -isomorphism.

By (4), G-dim<sub> $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ </sub>  $R_{\Lambda} = 0$ . Let **F** be a minimal free resolution of  $R_{\Lambda}$ over  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ . Note that  $\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda} I_{\ell}/(\sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cap\Gamma} I_{\ell})$  is the first syzygy of  $R_{\Lambda}$  in **F**. By [1, Construction 3.6] and (6), we can construct a Tate resolution of  $R_{\Lambda}$  as  $\mathbf{T} \to \mathbf{F} \to R_{\Lambda}$ , where **T** construct by splicing **F** with Hom<sub> $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ </sub> (**F**,  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ ). Hence  $\mathbf{T} \cong \text{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma})$ . This explains the first isomorphism in the next sequence

$$\widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = \operatorname{H}_{i}(\mathbf{T} \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma}) \\
\cong \operatorname{H}_{i}\left(\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma}\right) \\
\cong \operatorname{H}_{i}\left(\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T}, R_{\Gamma})\right) \\
= \widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{-i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}),$$
(7)

for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . As each  $R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ -module  $\mathbf{T}_i$  is finite and free, the second isomorphism follows.

By (4), G-dim<sub> $R_{\Lambda \cap \Gamma}$ </sub>  $R_{\Lambda} = 0$  and so, by [1, Theorem 5.2], one has

$$\widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$$
  
and  $\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}), \quad (8)$ 

for all  $i \ge 1$ . Thus, by (7), (8) and (5), one gets

$$\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{-i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0,$$
  
$$\widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{-i}^{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0,$$

for all  $i \ge 1$ . Therefore, by (7), to complete the proof it is enough to show that  $\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{0}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ . As  $\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}^{-1}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$  and  $R_{\Lambda}$  is totally reflexive as an  $R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}$ -module one has, by [1, Lemma 5.8], the exact sequence

$$0 \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\nu} \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \longrightarrow \widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}^{0}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) \to 0, \quad (9)$$

where the map v is given by

$$u(\psi \otimes \theta) = \psi_{\theta}, \quad \psi_{\theta}(\alpha) = \psi(\alpha)\theta.$$

In a similar way to (6), one gets the natural isomorphism  $\tau$ : Hom<sub> $R_{\Gamma}$ </sub> ( $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}$ ,  $R_{\Gamma}$ )  $\longrightarrow \sum_{\ell\in\Lambda\cup\Gamma} I_{\ell}/(\sum_{\ell\in\Gamma} I_{\ell})$  given by  $\tau(\psi) = \psi(\dot{\varphi})$ , where  $\dot{\varphi}$  is the identity element of  $R_{\Lambda\cup\Gamma}$ . It is straightforward to show that the following diagram commutes:

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}) \otimes_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}} R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\nu} \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$$

$$\kappa \otimes R_{\Gamma} \bigg| \cong f \bigg| \cong f \bigg| \cong f \bigg| \cong f \bigg| = f \bigg|$$

where the maps f, g and h are natural isomorphisms. Hence  $\nu$  is surjective and (9) implies that  $\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}^0_{R_{\Lambda\cap\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0.$ 

The following results give a partial converse to Theorem 3.9. Note that Proposition 3.16 is a generalization of the result of Jorgensen et al. [11, Theorem 3.1].

PROPOSITION 3.15. Let R be a Cohen-Macaulay ring. Assume that there exist a Gorenstein local ring Q and ideals  $I_1, \ldots, I_n$  of Q satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) there is a ring isomorphism  $R \cong Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_n)$ ,
- (2) the ring  $R_k = Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_k)$  is Cohen-Macaulay for all  $k \in [n]$ ,
- (3)  $\operatorname{fd}_{R_i}(R_k) < \infty$  for all  $k \in [n]$  and all  $1 \leq j \leq k$ ,
- (4) for each  $k \in [n]$  and all  $0 \leq j < k$ ,  $I_{R_k}^{R_k}(t) \neq t^e I_{R_j}^{R_j}(t)$  for any integer e,  $(R_0 = Q)$ .

Then there exist integers  $g_0, g_1, \ldots, g_{n-1}$  such that

$$[\operatorname{Ext}_{Q}^{g_{0}}(R,Q)] \triangleleft [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{1}}^{g_{1}}(R,R_{1})] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{n-1}}^{g_{n-1}}(R,R_{n-1})] \triangleleft [R]$$

is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length n.

PROOF. We prove by induction. For n = 1, it is clear that  $\operatorname{Ext}_Q^{g_0}(R, Q)$  is a dualizing *R*-module for some integer  $g_0$ . It will be shown in following that condition (4) implies  $[\operatorname{Ext}_Q^{g_0}(R, Q)] \lhd [R]$ . Let n = 2. As  $\operatorname{fd}_{R_1}(R) < \infty$ , one has  $\operatorname{G-dim}_{R_1}(R) < \infty$ . Then, by Remark 2.2, there exists an integer  $g_1$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_1}^i(R, R_1) = 0$  for all  $i \neq g_1$  and  $C_1 = \operatorname{Ext}_{R_1}^{g_1}(R, R_1)$  is a semidualizing *R*-module. Therefore there is an isomorphism  $C_1 \simeq \Sigma^{g_1} \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_{R_1}(R, R_1)$  in the derived category  $\operatorname{D}(R)$ . Thus, by [2, (1.7.8)],  $\operatorname{I}_R^{C_1}(t) = t^{-g_1} \operatorname{I}_{R_1}^{R_1}(t)$ . Also there exists an integer  $g_0$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_Q^i(R, Q) = 0$  for all  $i \neq g_0$  and  $D = \operatorname{Ext}_Q^{g_0}(R, Q)$  is a dualizing *R*-module and then  $D \simeq \Sigma^{g_0} \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_Q(R, Q)$ in  $\operatorname{D}(R)$ . Assumption (4) implies that  $C_1$  is a non-trivial semidualizing *R*module and so  $[D] \lhd [C_1] \lhd [R]$  is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length 2.

Let n > 2 and suppose that the assertion holds true for n - 1. By induction there exist integers  $h_0, h_1, \ldots, h_{n-2}$  such that

$$[\operatorname{Ext}_{Q}^{h_{0}}(R_{n-1}, Q)] \lhd [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{1}}^{h_{1}}(R_{n-1}, R_{1})] \lhd \cdots \lhd [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{n-2}}^{h_{n-2}}(R_{n-1}, R_{n-2})] \lhd [R_{n-1}] \quad (10)$$

is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R_{n-1})$  of length n-1. (In fact, there is an isomorphism  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_i}^{h_i}(R_{n-1}, R_i) \simeq \Sigma^{h_i} \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_{R_i}(R_{n-1}, R_i) \operatorname{in} \operatorname{D}(R_{n-1})$ , for all  $0 \leq i \leq n-2$ .)

As  $\operatorname{fd}_{R_k}(R) < \infty$ , one has  $\operatorname{G-dim}_{R_k}(R) < \infty$ , for all  $k \in [n]$ , and so, by Remark 2.2, there exists an integer  $g_k$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^i(R, R_k) = 0$ , for all  $i \neq g_k$ , and  $C_k = \operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^{g_k}(R, R_k)$  is a semidualizing *R*-module. We have  $C_k \simeq \Sigma^{g_k} \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_{R_k}(R, R_k)$  in  $\operatorname{D}(R)$ . Also there exists an integer  $g_0$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_Q^i(R, Q) = 0$ , for all  $i \neq g_0$ , and  $D = \operatorname{Ext}_Q^{g_0}(R, Q)$  is a dualizing for *R* and so  $D \simeq \Sigma^{g_0} \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_{R_{n-1}}(R, \operatorname{\mathbf{R}Hom}_{R_k}(R_{n-1}, R_k)), 0 \leqslant k \leqslant n-1$ , in  $\operatorname{D}(R)$ , and *R* is a finite  $R_{n-1}$ -module with  $\operatorname{fd}_{R_{n-1}}(R) < \infty$ . Thus, by [5, Theorem 5.7] and (10), one obtains  $[\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{k-1}}^{g_{k-1}}(R, R_{k-1})] \trianglelefteq [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^{g_k}(R, R_k)]$ , for all  $1 \leqslant k \leqslant n-1$ . By [2, (1.7.8)],  $\operatorname{I}_R^{C_k}(t) = t^{-g_k} \operatorname{I}_{R_k}^{R_k}(t)$  for all  $1 \leqslant k \leqslant n-1$ and  $\operatorname{I}_R^D(t) = t^{-g_0} \operatorname{I}_Q^D(t)$ . Therefore, by condition (4),  $[\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{k-1}}^{g_{k-1}}(R, R_{k-1})] \lhd [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^{g_k}(R, R_k)]$  for all  $1 \leqslant k \leqslant n-1$ , and  $[\operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^{g_k}(R, R_k)]$  for all  $1 \leqslant k \leqslant n-1$ , and  $[\operatorname{Ext}_{R_k}^{g_{k-1}}(R, R_{n-1})] \lhd [R]$ . Hence

$$[\operatorname{Ext}_{Q}^{g_{0}}(R, Q)] \triangleleft [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{1}}^{g_{1}}(R, R_{1})] \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft [\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{n-1}}^{g_{n-1}}(R, R_{n-1})] \triangleleft [R]$$

is a chain in  $\mathfrak{G}_0(R)$  of length *n*.

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- (1) there is a ring isomorphism  $R \cong Q/(I_1 + \cdots + I_n)$ ,
- (2) for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ , the ring  $R_{\Lambda} = Q/(\sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} I_{\ell})$  is Cohen-Macaulay,
- (3) for subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $\Lambda \cap \Gamma = \emptyset$ ,
  - (i)  $\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 1}^{Q}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ ,
  - (ii) for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\widehat{\operatorname{Ext}}_{Q}^{i}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0 = \widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_{i}^{Q}(R_{\Lambda}, R_{\Gamma})$ ,
- (4) for two subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $\Lambda \neq \Gamma$  and for any integer e,  $I_{R_{\Lambda}}^{R_{\Lambda}}(t) \neq t^{e}I_{R_{\Gamma}}^{R_{\Gamma}}(t)$ .

Then, for each  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ , there is an integer  $g_{\Lambda}$  such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R_{\Lambda}}^{g_{\Lambda}}(R, R_{\Lambda})$  is a semidualizing *R*-module. As conclusion, *R* admits  $2^{n}$  non-isomorphic semidualizing modules.

PROOF. For two subsets  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Gamma$  of [n] with  $\Gamma \subseteq \Lambda$ , we have  $G\text{-dim}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}) < \infty$ . Indeed,  $G\text{-dim}_{Q}(R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma}) < \infty$ , since Q is Gorenstein. Thus  $R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma}$  admits a Tate resolution  $\mathbf{T} \xrightarrow{\vartheta} \mathbf{P} \xrightarrow{\pi} R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma}$  over Q, where  $\vartheta_i$  is isomorphism for all  $i \gg 0$ . We show that the induced diagram  $\mathbf{T} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\vartheta \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}} \mathbf{P} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\pi \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}} R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}$  is a Tate resolution of  $R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma} \cong R_{\Lambda}$  over  $R_{\Gamma}$ . By condition (3)(i),  $\mathbf{P} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}$  is a free resolution of  $R_{\Lambda}$  over  $R_{\Gamma}$ . Also by assumption,  $\widehat{\operatorname{Tor}}_i^Q(R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma}) = 0$ , for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and then  $\mathbf{T} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}$  is an exact complex of finite free  $R_{\Gamma}$ -modules. Of course, the map  $\vartheta_i \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}$  is an isomorphism, for all  $i \gg 0$ . In order to show that  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T} \otimes_Q R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma})$  is exact we note that the sequence of isomorphisms

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T} \otimes_{Q} R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{Q}(\mathbf{T}, \operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma})) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{Q}(\mathbf{T}, R_{\Gamma}),$$

implies that

$$\mathrm{H}_{i}(\mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T}\otimes_{Q}R_{\Gamma},R_{\Gamma}))\cong\mathrm{H}_{i}(\mathrm{Hom}_{Q}(\mathbf{T},R_{\Gamma}))\cong\widehat{\mathrm{Ext}}_{Q}^{-i}(R_{\Lambda\setminus\Gamma},R_{\Gamma}),$$

which is zero, by condition (3)(ii), for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence the complex  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R_{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{T} \otimes_{\mathcal{Q}} R_{\Gamma}, R_{\Gamma})$  is exact and so  $R_{\Lambda}$  admits a Tate resolution over  $R_{\Gamma}$ . Therefore  $\operatorname{G-dim}_{R_{\Gamma}}(R_{\Lambda}) < \infty$ .

In particular, G-dim<sub> $R_{\Lambda}$ </sub>(R) <  $\infty$ , for all  $\Lambda \subseteq [n]$ . Hence, by Remark 2.2, Ext<sup>*i*</sup><sub> $R_{\Lambda}$ </sub>( $R, R_{\Lambda}$ ) = 0 for all  $i \neq g_{\Lambda}$ , where  $g_{\Lambda} :=$  G-dim<sub> $R_{\Lambda}$ </sub>(R), and  $C_{\Lambda} :=$  Ext<sup>*g*</sup><sub> $R_{\Lambda}$ </sub>( $R, R_{\Lambda}$ ) is a semidualizing R-module. Note that there is an isomorphism  $C_{\Lambda} \simeq \Sigma^{g_{\Lambda}} \mathbb{R}\text{Hom}_{R_{\Lambda}}(R, R_{\Lambda})$  in the derived category D(R). Therefore, by [2, (1.7.8)],

$$\mathbf{I}_{R}^{C_{\Lambda}}(t) = \mathbf{I}_{R}^{\Sigma^{\mathcal{E}_{\Lambda}} \mathbf{R} + \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{R}_{\Lambda}}(R, \mathcal{R}_{\Lambda})}(t) = t^{-g_{\Lambda}} \mathbf{I}_{\mathcal{R}_{\Lambda}}^{\mathcal{R}_{\Lambda}}(t).$$

Now condition (4) implies that the  $2^n$  semidualizing  $C_{\Lambda}$  are pairwise non-isomorphic.

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