

ON THE QUOTIENT RING OF COMMUTATIVE RINGS WITH ACC¹ ON ANNIHILATOR IDEALS

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Abstract

The author concludes that every commutative ring with ascending chain condition on annihilator ideals has a Kasch quotient ring, which generalizes the Theorem^[1] that every commutative noetherian ring has a Kasch quotient ring. It follows that if R is a commutative ring with acc^1 , then that $Q(R)$ is semiprimary is equivalent to that it is perfect, or to that R satisfies regular condition. Besides, that $Q(R)$ is quasi-frobenius equals that $Q(R)$ is FPF or PF, and that $Q(R)$ is artinian equals that R/N_i are of finite dimension, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. $N_i = J^i \cap R$.

In this paper we shall study the commutative rings with ascending chain condition on annihilator ideals. We conclude the following: If R is an above ring, then the classical quotient ring of R is Kasch and semilocal, which generalizes the theorem in [1] that says every commutative noetherian ring has a Kasch classical quotient ring. It follows that we can drop off the condition that R must have finite dimension in well-known Goldie theorem if R is a commutative ring. In the final section we shall discuss when the classical quotient ring of R is artinian, perfect and quasi-frobenius. Throughout this paper R is a commutative ring with a regular element. $Q(R)$ denotes the classical quotient ring of R . ACC^1 means ascending chain condition on annihilator ideals.

Lemma 1. $Q(R)$ is Kasch if and only if every faithful ideal of R contains a regular element of R .

Proof We say a ring is Kasch if every dense (right) ideal is R itself. Here R is commutative, thus dense ideal means faithful ideal. Assume $Q(R)$ is Kasch, \mathfrak{A} is a faithful ideal of R , $\mathfrak{A}Q(R) = Q(R)$ by assumption, thus $1 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i q_i$ where $a_i \in \mathfrak{A}$, $q_i \in Q(R)$. There exists a regular element s of R such that $q_i s \in R$ and $s = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i q_i s$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. $s \in \mathfrak{A}$.

Conversely, for any faithful ideal \mathfrak{B} of $Q(R)$, $R \cap \mathfrak{B}$ is a faithful ideal of R since $(R \cap \mathfrak{B})Q(R) = \mathfrak{B}$. There exists a regular element s of $R \cap \mathfrak{B}$. So \mathfrak{B} contains a

unit of $Q(R)$ and $\mathfrak{B} = Q(R)$. Thus $Q(R)$ is a Kasch ring.

Theorem 2. *If R satisfies acc^\perp , $Q(R)$ is a Kasch ring, and if R has a unit, $Q(R) = Q_{\max}(R)$.*

Proof Let $\text{Mass}(R)$ be the set $\{P \in \text{Spec}(R) \mid P \text{ is maximal annihilator prime ideal}\}$. $\text{Mass}(R)$ is not empty since R satisfies acc^\perp . We claim that $\text{Mass}(R)$ is a finite set. Let $U = \{\text{all finite intersections of elements of } \text{Mass}(R)\}$. Since every element of U is still an annihilator ideal, and R has acc^\perp on annihilator ideal, there exists a minimal member of U . We say, it is $P_1 \cap P_2 \cap \dots \cap P_n$ for some integer n . Thus for any $P \in \text{Mass}(R)$, $P \cap P_1 \cap P_2 \cap \dots \cap P_n = P_1 \cap P_2 \cap \dots \cap P_n$ by our choice. It implies $P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_n \subseteq P$ and $P_1 P_2 \dots P_n \subseteq P$. There exists $P_i \subseteq P$ for some i , but P_i is maximal w. r. t annihilator, so $P_i = P$. Thus we have proved that $\text{Mass}(R) = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\}$ is a finite set. If \mathfrak{A} is a faithful ideal of R , $\mathfrak{A} \not\subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n P_i$. Otherwise, $\mathfrak{A} \subseteq P_i$ for some i , and $\mathfrak{A}^\perp \supseteq P_i \neq 0$ which is a contradiction. Let $s \in \mathfrak{A} \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^n P_i$. Then s is a regular element of R . If not so, there exists $b \in R$ such that $sb = 0$ and $b \neq 0$. Thus $s \in (b)^\perp$. There exists a $P \in \text{Mass}(R)$ such that $P \supseteq (b)^\perp$ since R has acc^\perp , so s belongs to $P \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n P_i$, which is impossible. Therefore every faithful ideal of R contains a regular element of R , $Q(R)$ is Kasch by Lemma 1. If R has a unit, $Q_{\max}(R)$ exists and $Q(R)$ has no proper rational extension, so $Q(R) = Q_{\max}(R)$.

Corollary 3. *Every commutative noetherian ring or Goldie ring is an order of a Kasch ring.*

Corollary 4. *Let R be a ring with acc^\perp . $N = N(R)$ is the nil-radical of R . Then $Q(R/N)$ is semisimple artinian.*

Proof Since R has acc^\perp , $Z(R) = N(R)^{[2]}$ is a nilpotent and annihilator ideal. Thus R/N also satisfies acc^\perp since for every ideal of $(R/N)\mathfrak{A}/N$, $(\mathfrak{A}/N)^\perp = (N:\mathfrak{A})/N = (N^\perp \mathfrak{A})^\perp/N$. But R/N is semiprime, hence nonsingular^[2]. By the previous proof every essential ideal of R/N contains a regular element. Therefore $Q(R/N)$ is semisimple artinian by Goldie's theorem.

Corollary 5. *Every semiprime ring with acc^\perp is an order of a semisimple artinian ring.*

In the following, we shall discuss when $Q(R)$ is artinian or quasi-frobenius. We say ring R satisfies regular condition if $O(N) \subseteq O(0)$, where $O(N)$ is the set of all regular elements of R modulo N .

Lemma 6. *If R has acc^\perp , then $Q(R)$ is a semilocal ring, that is, $Q(R)/J(Q(R))$ is semisimple artinian.*

Proof First, $Q(R)$ also satisfies acc^\perp . Let $(S_1)^\perp \subseteq (S_2)^\perp \subseteq \dots \subseteq (S_n)^\perp \subseteq \dots$ be an ascending chain of annihilator ideal of $Q(R)$. Then S_i 's can be taken as ideal's of

R . For $(S_i)^\perp = (S_i Q(R))^\perp = (S_i Q(R) \cap R)^\perp$, we have another ascending chain of annihilator ideals of R ; $\text{ann}_R(S_1) \subseteq \text{ann}_R(S_2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq \text{ann}_R(S_n) \subseteq \dots$. Since $\text{ann}_R(S_i) = \text{ann}_Q(S_i) \cap R$. There exists an n such that $\text{ann}_R(S_i) = \text{ann}_R(S_n)$ for any $i \geq n$. $\text{ann}_Q(S_i) = \text{ann}_Q(S_n)$ for any $i \geq n$ since $\text{ann}_R(S_i) Q(R) = \text{ann}_Q(S_i)$. That is, the first ascending chain is stable. Now $Q(R)$ is Kasch, hence the Jacobson radical of $Q(R)$ is $J = (\text{Soc}(Q))^\perp$. $J = (\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\})^\perp$ since $Q(R)$ satisfies acc^\perp w. r. t. annihilator ideals. Thus $J = (x_1)^\perp \cap (x_2)^\perp \cap \dots \cap (x_n)^\perp$, and there exists a monomorphism $Q(R)/J \hookrightarrow x_1 Q + x_2 Q + \dots + x_n Q$, where x_i 's are in $\text{Soc}(Q)$. Since $\text{Soc}(Q)$ is semisimple $Q(R)$ -module, $Q(R)/J$ is semisimple artinian.

Theorem 7. *If R satisfies acc , the following are equivalent.*

- (a) $Q(R)$ is semiprimary.
- (b) $Q(R)$ is perfect.
- (c) $\text{Soc}(Q)$ is essential.
- (d) R satisfies regular condition.
- (e) $Q(R)$ satisfies regular condition.
- (f) $Q(R)/\bar{N}$ is regular or selfinjective, $\bar{N} = N(Q)$.
- (g) $\text{Krull-dim}(Q) = 0$.
- (h) every non-faithful prime ideal of R is maximal annihilator ideal.

Proof (a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c). Clearly (cf. [4]).

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Since Q is Kasch, $J(Q) = (\text{Soc}(Q))^\perp = Z(Q)$. $J(Q) = \bar{N}(Q)$ is nilpotent, and $Q(R)$ is semiprimary.

(a) \Rightarrow (f), Obviously.

(f) \Rightarrow (e). It suffices to show it for the first case, for if $Q(R)/\bar{N}$ is selfinjective, then $Q_{\max}(Q/\bar{N}) = Q/\bar{N}$ is semisimple by Corollary 4. For any $c \in O(\bar{N})$, c is a unit of Q/\bar{N} . There exists a b of Q such that $cb - 1 \in N \subseteq J$. cb is a unit, hence c is a unit of Q . $O(\bar{N}) = O(0)$ is obvious.

(e) \Rightarrow (d). Let N be the nil-radical of R , for any $x \in O(N)$, $x \in O(\bar{N}) \cap R$, so $x \in O(0)$. Clearly $O(N) = O(0)$.

(d) \Rightarrow (a). Since $Q(R)/\bar{N}$ also satisfies acc^\perp , and is of finite rank by Corollary 4, $Q(R)$ is semiprimary by [1].

Finally, $Q(R)/\bar{N}$ is regular iff $Q(R)/P$ is regular for each prime ideal of $Q(R)$ since $Q(R)/\bar{N}$ is semiprime^[5] iff every prime ideal of $Q(R)$ is maximal ideal iff kruli-dimension of $Q(R)$ is 0.

(g) \Leftrightarrow (h). This is because there is lattice isomorphism between $\text{Spec}(Q(R))$ and the set $\{P \in \text{Spec}(R) \mid P \text{ does not contain regular elements}\}$. That is, every non-faithful prime ideal of R is maximal annihilator ideal.

Theorem 8. *If R satisfies acc^\perp and (R) is perfect, the following are equivalent.*

- (a) $Q(R)$ is artinian.

(b) R/T_k is a Goldie ring, where $T_k = (N(R)^k)^\perp \cap N(R)$, $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n-2$, n is the nilpotent index of $N(R)$.

(c) R/N_i is of finite dimension, where $N_i = J^i \cap R$, $i=2, 3, \dots, n$, $J=J(Q)$.

(d) The reduced rank $\rho(R)$ of R is finite, i. e., $\sum_{i=1}^n \rho(N^{i-1}/N^i)$ is finite.

Proof (a) \Leftrightarrow (d). Cf. [6], Theorem (4).

(a) \Leftrightarrow (c). Since Q/J is semisimple, J^{i-1}/J^i is semisimple module, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, $J^n=0$. Thus $\text{Soc}(Q/J^i) \supseteq J^{i-1}/J^i$. Now Q/J^i is of finite dimension since R/N_i has finite dimension and $R/N_i \cong (R+J^i)/J^i$ is essential in Q/J^i as a $(R+J^i)/J^i$ module, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Therefore J^{i-1}/J^i is finite generated, and $Q(R)$ is artinian.

(a) \Leftrightarrow (b). Since $Q(R)$ is perfect, R satisfies regularity condition by Theorem 7. On the other hand, $N^n=0$, $R/T_{n-1}=R/T_n=R/N$ is a Goldie ring by Corollary 4. Therefore, R is a T -Goldie ring, and $Q(R)$ is artinian by [9] and [10] (Theorem C).

In the following, a ring is called *PF* ring if every faithful module in $\text{Mod-}R$ is a generator. R is (right) *FPPF* if every (right) finitely generated faithful module is a generator in $\text{Mod-}R$.

Theorem 9. If R satisfies acc^\perp , the following are equivalent.

(A) $Q(R)$ is quasi-frobenius.

(B) $Q(R)$ is PF.

(C) $Q(R)$ is FPF.

(D) $Q(R)$ is a cogenerator in $\text{Mod-}Q(R)$.

(E) $Q(R)$ is selfinjective.

If R has a unit, $Q(R) = Q_{\max}(R)$. (A) is equivalent to the following.

(F) For each ideal $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{K}$ of R , $\mathfrak{A}^\perp = 0$, where $\mathcal{K} = \{\text{ideal } \mathfrak{A} \mid \exists f \in \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{A}, R) \text{ such that } f \text{ has no extension}\}$.

(G) For any ideal \mathfrak{A} of R and homomorphism $\alpha: \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow R$ there exists a faithful ideal $\mathfrak{B} \supseteq \mathfrak{A}$ and homomorphism $\beta: \mathfrak{B} \rightarrow R$ such that $\beta|_{\mathfrak{A}} = \alpha$.

Proof (A) \Rightarrow (B) \Rightarrow (C). Clearly.

(C) \Rightarrow (D). Since $Q(R)$ is a commutative FPF ring, $Q(Q) = Q$ is selfinjective^[7], and Q is Kasch, Q is PF^[3], hence Q is a cogenerator in $\text{Mod-}Q$ ^[3].

(D) \Rightarrow (E). Since Q/J is semisimple by Theorem 6 and Kasch, there are only finite non-isomorphic classes of simple Q -modules in $\text{Mod-}Q$. Let S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n be the representatives of n non-isomorphic classes, $S_i \subseteq Q$ (by assumption). $E = E(S_i) \leq Q$ since E_i is indecomposable, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Thus $Q = E(S_1 \oplus S_2 \oplus \dots \oplus S_n) \oplus X = E(S_1) \oplus \dots \oplus E(S_n) \oplus X$ for some module X . Let $E = E(S_1) \oplus \dots \oplus E(S_n)$. E is projective and injective. Since $E(S_i)$ is indecomposable, $R_i = \text{End}_Q(E_i)$ is local, $i=1, \dots, n$. By [8] propositions 22.5 and 22.6, $R_i/J(R_i) = \text{End}(E_i/E_i J)$, where J

$=J(Q)$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Since E_i/E_iJ is a semisimple Q/J -module, hence a semisimple Q -module whose endomorphism ring is division, E_i/E_iJ must be simple module. Since E_i is f , g , and $E_i/E_iJ \cong E_j/E_jJ$ iff $E_i \cong E_j$ iff $S_i \cong S_j$ iff $i=j$. E_i/E_iJ is also a non-isomorphic simple module. So each simple Q -module is an epic-image of E , and E is projective, E is a generator in $\text{Mod-}Q$ by Azumaya's theorem. There is an integer n such that $E(n) = Q \oplus M$, for some module M , E is injective, therefore Q is selfinjective.

(E) \Rightarrow (A). Since R satisfies acc^1 , (A) holds by [1].

If R has a unit, $Q_{\max}(R)$ exists, $Q = Q_{\max}(R)$ by Theorem 2. $Q_{\max}(R)$ is selfinjective iff (F) holds iff (G) holds [1].

Corollary 10. *If R is FPF ring with acc_1 , then $Q(R)$ is quasifrobenius.*

Proof Since $Q(R)$ is also FPF, $Q(R)$ is quasi-frobenius by Theorem 9.

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