

# Semidualizing Modules Over Numerical Semigroup Rings

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## Motivating Goal:

**Goal:** Classify which numerical semigroup rings possess a nontrivial semidualizing module.

**Questions to address:**

- What is a numerical semigroup ring?
- What is a semidualizing module? What makes it nontrivial?
- What is the motivation behind this goal?
- What progress has been made?

## Numerical Semigroup Rings

## Definition (Numerical Semigroup)

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  denote the set of non-negative integers. A **numerical semigroup** is a subset  $H \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that

- 1  $0 \in H$ ;
- 2  $H$  is closed under addition; and
- 3  $\gcd(H) = 1$ .

## Definition (Numerical Semigroup Ring)

Let  $k$  be a field and  $H = \langle a_1, \dots, a_\ell \rangle$  a numerical semigroup. The **numerical semigroup ring** (associated to  $H$  over  $k$ ) is the ring

$$R_H = k[[H]] := k[[t^{a_1}, \dots, t^{a_\ell}]] \subseteq k[[t]].$$

## Numerical Semigroup Terminology and Facts

Set  $H = \langle a_1, \dots, a_\ell \rangle$  with  $a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_\ell$ .

**1 Frobenius of  $H$ :**

$$F_H := \max \mathbb{N} \setminus H$$

**2 Pseudo-Frobenius number of  $H$ :**

$$\text{PF}(H) := \{f \in \mathbb{N} \setminus H : \text{for all } a \in H, a + f \in H\}$$

**3 Multiplicity of  $R_H$ :**

$$e(R_H) = a_1$$

**4 Embedding Dimension of  $R_H$ :**

$$\text{edim}(R_H) = \ell$$

Example:  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53

- 1  $F_H = 25$
- 2  $\text{PF}(H) = \{20, 22, 23, 25\}$
- 3  $e(R_H) = 9$
- 4  $\text{edim}(R_H) = 5$

## Canonical Module

### Definition

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{M})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring and  $K$  an  $R$ -module. We say  $K$  is a **canonical module** if it is

- 1 a maximal Cohen-Macaulay of type 1; and
- 2  $K$  has finite injective dimension.

### Fact

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{M})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring. The canonical module  $K$  is unique up to isomorphism.

### Fact

Let  $H$  be a numerical semigroup. The ring  $R_H$  possesses a canonical module.

Example Continued:  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$

Fact

Let  $H$  be a numerical semigroup and  $R_H$  the corresponding numerical semigroup ring with canonical module  $K_H$ . We have

$$K_H \cong \langle t^{F_H - f} : f \in \text{PF}(H) \rangle.$$

**Recall:**  $\text{PF}(H) = \{20, 22, 23, 25 = F_H\}$

$$\begin{aligned} K_H &\cong \langle t^{25-25}, t^{25-23}, t^{25-22}, t^{25-20} \rangle \\ &= \langle 1, t^2, t^3, t^5 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

## Semidualizing Module

Let  $K$  be the canonical module for  $(R, \mathfrak{M})$ .

### Definition

A finitely generated  $R$ -module  $C$  is **semidualizing** if it satisfies

- 1 The natural homothety map  $\chi_C^R : R \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, C)$  given by  $\chi_C^R(r)(c) = rc$  is an  $R$ -module isomorphism; and
- 2  $\text{Ext}_R^i(C, C) = 0$  for all  $i > 0$ .

It follows that  $R$  and  $K$  are both semidualizing module for  $R$ ; we refer to them as **trivial semidualizing modules**.

### Fact (Christensen'01)

If  $R$  is a Gorenstein, then it only has trivial semidualizing modules.



## Only Trivial Semidualizing Modules

### Proposition

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{M})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring such that

- 1  $\text{edim}(R) - \text{depth}(R) \leq 3$  (LM'20, AINSW'22);
- 2  $\mathbf{x} = x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathfrak{M}$  is  $R$ -regular and  $R/(\mathbf{x})$  only has trivial semidualizing module (CSW'08 and FSW'07, NSW'13);
- 3  $e(R) \leq 8$ ; or
- 4  $R \cong S/I$  where  $S$  is regular local and  $I$  is a Burch ideal of  $S$ ;

then  $R$  only has trivial semidualizing modules.

### Proposition

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{M})$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring. If  $e(R) = 9$  and  $R$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module, then  $R$  has type  $r(R) = 4$  and  $\text{edim}(R) = 4 + \dim R$ .

## Example Continued: $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$

### Observe:

- $e(R_H) = 9$
- $K_H \cong \langle 1, t^2, t^3, t^5 \rangle$
- $r(R_H) = \mu_R(K_H) = 4$
- $\text{edim}(R_H) = 5 = 4 + \dim R_H$

**Fact:**  $I = \langle 1, t^2 \rangle$  and  $I^\vee = \langle 1, t^3 \rangle$  are semidualizing over  $R_H$ .

### Lemma

*Let  $R$  be a Cohen-Macaulay local ring with canonical module  $K$ . Write the functor  $\text{Hom}_R(-, K)$  as  $(-)^\vee$ . Let  $C$  be a semidualizing over  $R$ . Then*

- 1  $C^\vee$  is semidualizing.
- 2  $C \otimes_R C^\vee \cong K$ .
- 3  $\mu_R(C)\mu_R(C^\vee) = r(R)$ .

## Set-up:

Let  $H$  be a numerical semigroup such that:

- 1  $e(R_H) = 9$ ; and
- 2  $\text{edim}(R_H) = 5$ .

We consider  $H = \langle 9, a, b, c, d \rangle$  with  $9 < a < b < c < d$ .

**Problem:** There are infinitely many choices of  $H$ !

**Solution:** Equivalence classes

# Apéry Set

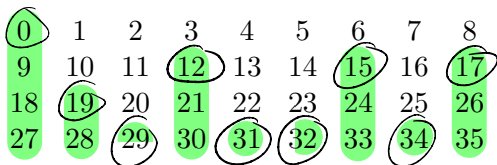
## Definition

Given a numerical semigroup  $H$  and integer  $3 \leq m \in H$ , the **Apéry set of  $H$  with respect to  $m$**  is the set

$$\text{Ap}_m(H) = \{0, h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{m-1}\}$$

where  $h_i = \min\{h \in H : h \equiv i \pmod{m}\}$  for  $1 \leq i < m$ .

Consider  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$



$$\text{Ap}_9(H) = \{0, 19, 29, 12, 31, 32, 15, 34, 17\}$$

## Apéry Set Relations for $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$

$$\text{Ap}_9(H) = \{0, 19, 29, 12, 31, 32, 15, 34, 17\}$$

### Relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 h_1 + h_3 = h_4, \quad h_1 + h_6 = h_7, \quad h_3 + h_8 = h_2, \\
 h_6 + h_8 = h_5, \quad h_8 + h_8 = h_7, \quad \begin{cases} h_i + h_j > h_{i+j} & i + j < 9 \\ h_i + h_j > h_{i+j-9} & i + j > 9 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Fact

Let  $H$  be a numerical semigroup and  $m \in H$ . Given  $1 \leq i, j < m$  with  $i + j \neq m$ , then the elements of  $\text{Ap}_m(H)$  satisfy

$$\begin{cases} h_i + h_j \geq h_{i+j} & i + j < m \\ h_i + h_j \geq h_{i+j-m} & i + j > m \end{cases}$$

Kunz's Polyhedron (*kind of*)

For  $3 \leq m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the polyhedral cone  $C_m$  is the solution set of

$$\begin{cases} X_i + X_j \geq X_{i+j} & 1 \leq i < j < m \text{ and } i + j < m \\ X_i + X_j \geq X_{i+j-m} & 1 \leq i < j < m \text{ and } i + j > m \end{cases}.$$

**Note:** The facets of  $C_m$  are given by

$$E_{ij} = \begin{cases} X_i + X_j = X_{i+j} & 1 \leq i < j < m \text{ and } i + j < m \\ X_i + X_j = X_{i+j-m} & 1 \leq i < j < m \text{ and } i + j > m \end{cases}.$$

If  $F$  is a face of  $C_m$ , then it is completely determined by the set

$$\Delta_F := \{(i, j) : F \subseteq E_{ij}\}.$$

$C_m$  and  $\text{Ap}_m(H)$ 

## Fact

If  $H$  is a numerical semigroup with  $m \in H$ , then  $\text{Ap}_m(H)$  is a solution set for the defining equations of  $C_m$ . Consequently, we can associate  $H$  with a face of  $C_m$  via  $\text{Ap}_m(H)$ .

**Example:**  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$  has relations

$$\begin{array}{l}
 h_1 + h_3 = h_4, \quad h_1 + h_6 = h_7, \quad h_3 + h_8 = h_2, \\
 h_6 + h_8 = h_5, \quad h_8 + h_8 = h_7, \quad \begin{cases} h_i + h_j > h_{i+j} & i + j < 9 \\ h_i + h_j > h_{i+j-9} & i + j > 9 \end{cases}
 \end{array}$$

We associate  $H$  with the face defined by

$$\Delta = \{(1, 3), (1, 6), (3, 8), (6, 8), (8, 8)\}.$$

## Equivalence Classes

Let  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$  and given a face  $\Delta$ , define

$$\sigma(\Delta) := \{(\sigma(i), \sigma(j)) : (i, j) \in \Delta\}.$$

## Proposition (C-K'23)

*Let  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$ . Suppose  $H$  and  $H'$  are numerical semigroups associated to  $\Delta$  and  $\sigma(\Delta)$ , respectively. The ring  $R_H$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module if and only if  $R_{H'}$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module.*



## Class Representatives?

Consider the case  $m = 9$  and  $H = \langle 9, a, b, c, d \rangle$ .

1	2	4	5	7	8
(1, 2, 3, 4)	(2, 4, 6, 8)	(3, 4, 7, 8)	(1, 2, 5, 6)	(1, 3, 5, 7)	(5, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 3, 5)	(1, 2, 4, 6)	(2, 3, 4, 8)	(1, 5, 6, 7)	(3, 5, 7, 8)	(4, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 3, 6)	(2, 3, 4, 6)	(3, 4, 6, 8)	(1, 3, 5, 6)	(3, 5, 6, 7)	(3, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 3, 7)	(2, 4, 5, 6)	(1, 3, 4, 8)	(1, 5, 6, 8)	(3, 4, 5, 7)	(2, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 3, 8)	(2, 4, 6, 7)	(3, 4, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 5, 6)	(2, 3, 5, 7)	(1, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 4, 5)	(1, 2, 4, 8)	(2, 4, 7, 8)	(1, 2, 5, 7)	(1, 5, 7, 8)	(4, 5, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 4, 7)	(2, 4, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 7, 8)	(1, 2, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 5, 7)	(2, 5, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 4, 5)	(1, 4, 6, 8)	(1, 3, 5, 8)	(2, 5, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 6, 8)	(2, 3, 4, 7)	(4, 5, 6, 8)	(1, 3, 4, 5)	(2, 5, 6, 7)	(1, 3, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 7, 8)	(2, 4, 5, 7)	(1, 4, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 5, 8)	(2, 4, 5, 7)	(1, 2, 7, 8)
(1, 3, 4, 6)	(2, 3, 6, 8)	(3, 4, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 5, 6)	(1, 3, 6, 7)	(3, 5, 6, 8)
(1, 3, 4, 7)	(2, 5, 6, 8)	(1, 3, 4, 7)	(2, 5, 6, 8)	(1, 3, 4, 7)	(2, 5, 6, 8)
(1, 3, 6, 8)	(2, 3, 6, 7)	(3, 4, 5, 6)	(3, 4, 5, 6)	(2, 3, 6, 7)	(1, 3, 6, 8)
(1, 4, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 5, 8)	(1, 4, 6, 7)	(2, 3, 5, 8)

# Class Representatives and Results

**Fact:** For  $m = 9$  and  $H = \langle 9, a, b, c, d \rangle$  there are 127 classes.

$(\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}, \bar{d})$	$\Delta$	Sample	Burch?	Nontrivial?
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6)\}$	$\langle 9, 10, 15, 17, 21 \rangle$	Yes	No
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (1, 3), (6, 8), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 17, 19, 24, 30 \rangle$	Yes	No
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6)\}$	$\langle 9, 12, 15, 26, 28 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 28 \rangle$	Yes	No
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 24, 26, 28, 39 \rangle$	Yes	No
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6)\}$	$\langle 9, 12, 15, 19, 26 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 17, 19, 21, 24 \rangle$	Yes	No
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 3, 6, 8)	$\{(1, 1), (3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6), (8, 8)\}$	$\langle 9, 15, 17, 19, 21 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 4, 6, 7)	$\{(1, 1), (6, 6), (7, 7), (4, 4)\}$	$\emptyset$	-	-
(1, 2, 3, 6)	$\{(1, 3), (2, 3), (1, 6), (2, 6)\}$	$\langle 9, 12, 15, 19, 20 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 2, 3, 6)	$\{(1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 3), (1, 6), (2, 6)\}$	$\langle 9, 10, 11, 12, 15 \rangle$	No	Yes
(1, 2, 4, 7)	$\{(1, 2), (1, 4), (7, 7), (2, 4), (1, 7)\}$	$\langle 9, 19, 20, 25, 31 \rangle$	No	No

**Remark:** There are 24 distinct  $\Delta$ .

## Main Result 1

### Theorem (C-K'23)

Let  $H = \langle 9, a, b, c, d \rangle$  be a numerical semigroup associated with  $\Delta$ . The ring  $R_H$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module if and only if there exists  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z})$  such that  $\sigma(\Delta)$  is equal to one of the following sets;

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>① <math>\{(1, 3), (2, 3), (1, 6), (2, 6)\};</math></li> <li>② <math>\{(1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 3), (1, 6), (2, 6)\};</math></li> <li>③ <math>\{(1, 1), (3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6)\};</math></li> <li>④ <math>\{(3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6)\};</math></li> <li>⑤ <math>\{(1, 1), (3, 8), (1, 3), (6, 8), (1, 6), (8, 8)\}.</math></li> </ul> | } | <p>size of orbit = 6</p><br><br><br><br><p>size of orbit = 3</p> |
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## Higher Multiplicity

**Question:** How do these results carry to numerical semigroups  $H$  where  $e(R_H) > 9$ ?

**Issue:** If  $R_H$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module and  $e(R_H) = 10$ , then  $\text{edim}(R_H) \in \{5, 6\}$ .

Example  $e(R_{H'}) > 9$

**Audience Participation:** Pick a highlighted number.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35

Example:  $H' = \langle 26, 27, 36, 45, 51, 57 \rangle$

$$e(R_{H'}) = 26$$

Semidualizing Module:  $\langle 1, t^6 \rangle$

## Gluing

### Definition

Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be numerical semigroups. Given  $a_i \in H_i$  such that  $\gcd(a_1, a_2) = 1$ , the gluing of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  (with respect to  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ ) is the numerical semigroup

$$H = \langle a_2 H_1, a_1 H_2 \rangle = \{a_2 r + a_1 s : r \in H_1, s \in H_2\}.$$

Moreover, if we write  $R_i$  for  $R_{H_i}$ , then

$$R_H = k \left[ [t^{a_2 r + a_1 s} : t^r \in R_1, t^s \in R_2] \right].$$

**Example continued:**

$$H' = \langle 26(1), 3H \rangle \quad \text{where } H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$$

## Gluing Results

### Theorem (C-K'23)

Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be numerical semigroups, take  $a_i \in H_i$  such that  $\gcd(a_1, a_2) = 1$ , and set  $H = \langle a_2 H_1, a_1 H_2 \rangle$ . Suppose  $R_i$  has semidualizing module  $I_i$ , then  $R_H$  has semidualizing module

$$I = \langle t^{a_2 r + a_1 s} : t^r \in I_1, t^s \in I_2 \rangle.$$

### Corollary (C-K'23)

If either  $I_1$  or  $I_2$  is nontrivial, then  $I$  is a nontrivial semidualizing module over  $R_H$ .

**Example continued:**  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$  has  $I = \langle 1, t^2 \rangle$   
 so  $H' = \langle 26, 27, 36, 45, 51, 57 \rangle$  has  $I' = \langle 1^3, (t^2)^3 \rangle = \langle 1, t^6 \rangle$

## Main Result 2

### Theorem (C-K'23)

*For all  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $a \geq 9$ , there exists a local ring  $R$  with  $e(R) = a$  such that  $R$  has a nontrivial semidualizing module.*

### Proof.

For each  $a \geq 9$ , we give a numerical semigroup  $H$ . The gluing  $H' = \langle a, bH \rangle$  with  $9b \geq a$  where  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  produces  $R = R_{H'}$ .

**Case 1:** For  $a \notin \{13, 14, 16, 17\}$ , consider  $H = \langle 9, 10, 11, 12, 15 \rangle$ .

**Case 2:** For  $a = 13$ , consider  $H = \langle 9, 11, 12, 13, 15 \rangle$ .

**Case 3:** For  $a \in \{14, 16\}$ , consider  $H = \langle 9, 12, 14, 15, 16 \rangle$ .

**Case 4:** For  $a = 17$ , consider  $H = \langle 9, 12, 15, 17, 19 \rangle$ . □



Thank you!