# a-MINIMAX MODULES AND EXTENSION FUNCTORS OF LOCAL COHOMOLOGY

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Let R be a commutative Noetherian ring and  $\mathfrak{a}$  an ideal of R. The concepts of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax modules were introduced by Azami, Naghipour and Vakili in [1] as generalization of minimax and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite modules, respectively. The finiteness of extension functors of local cohomology modules was viewed by Dibaei and Yassemi in [4]. In this paper, we discuss the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimaxness of extension functors of local cohomology modules are a-minimaxness of extension functors of local cohomology modules, in several cases. Let M be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax R-module, and let t be a non-negative integer such that  $\mathrm{H}^i_\mathfrak{a}(M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax for all i < t. In [1, Theorem 4.1] we have shown that for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\mathrm{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module L with  $\mathrm{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the R-module  $\mathrm{Hom}_R(L,\mathrm{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. In this paper, it is shown that  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(L,\mathrm{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for i = 0, 1; in addition, if  $\mathrm{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a},\mathrm{H}^{t+1}_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(L,\mathrm{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for i = 0, 1, 2.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, R will always be a commutative Noetherian ring with non-zero identity, and  $\mathfrak{a}$  will be an ideal of R. Let M be an R-module. The  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion submodule of M is defined as  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} (0 :_M \mathfrak{a}^n)$ . The  $i^{th}$ local cohomology functor  $\mathrm{H}^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(.)$  is defined as the  $i^{th}$  right derived functor  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(.)$ . It is known that for each  $i \ge 0$  there is a natural isomorphism of R-modules

$$\operatorname{H}^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \cong \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ n \ge 1}} \operatorname{Ext}^{i}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}^{n}, M).$$

We refer the reader to [6] or [3] for the basic properties of local cohomology.

An *R*-module *M* is said to have *finite Goldie dimension* (written  $G \dim M < \infty$ ), if the injective hull E(M) of *M* decomposes as a finite direct sum of indecomposable (injective) submodules. It is clear by the definition of the Goldie dimension that

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$$G \dim M = \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Ass}_R M} \mu^0(\mathfrak{p}, M),$$

where  $\mu^{0}(\mathfrak{p}, M)$  is the 0-th Bass number of M with respect to prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  and  $\operatorname{Ass}_{R} M$  is the set of associated prime ideals of R. The  $\mathfrak{a}$ -relative Goldie dimension of M has been studied by Divaani-Aazar and Esmkhani in [5] and it is defined as

$$G \dim_{\mathfrak{a}} M = \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in V(\mathfrak{a})} \mu^{0}(\mathfrak{p}, M).$$

In particular, they proved that  $G \dim_{\mathfrak{a}} M = G \dim \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$ . An *R*-module M is said to have *finite*  $\mathfrak{a}$ -relative Goldie dimension if the Goldie dimension of the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion submodule  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  of M is finite.

In [7], Zöschinger introduced the interesting class of minimax modules. An *R*-module *M* is said to be a minimax module, if there is a finitely generated submodule *N* of *M*, such that M/N is Artinian. Zöschinger, has given in [7] and [8] many equivalent conditions for a module to be minimax. In particular, when *R* is a Noetherian ring, a module is minimax if and only if each of its quotients has finite Goldie dimension. The concepts of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax and  $\mathfrak{a}$ cominimax modules were introduced by Azami, Naghipour and Vakili in [1] as generalization of minimax and  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cofinite modules. An *R*-module *M* is called  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax if the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -relative Goldie dimension of any quotient module of *M* is finite. It is clear that if *M* is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion then *M* is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax if and only if *M* is minimax. Also, we say that an *R*-module *M* is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \geq 0$ .

The finiteness of extension functors of local cohomology modules was viewed by Dibaei and Yassemi in [4]. In this paper, we discuss the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimaxness of extension functors of local cohomology modules, in several cases. Let M be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax R-module, and let t be a non-negative integer such that  $\mathrm{H}^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$ is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax for all i < t. In [1, Theorem 4.1] we have shown that for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module Lwith  $\mathrm{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the R-module  $\mathrm{Hom}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. This generalizes the main result of Brodmann and Lashgari [2]. In this paper, it is shown that both  $\mathrm{Hom}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}^{1}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax; in addition, if  $\mathrm{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a},\mathrm{H}^{t+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then  $\mathrm{Hom}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$ ,  $\mathrm{Ext}^{1}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}^{2}_{R}(L,\mathrm{H}^{t}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  are all  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.

## 2. THE RESULTS

To prove the main results of this paper, we first bring the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.1. Let M be an R-module and  $L = E(M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))/M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$ . Then (i)  $\mathrm{H}^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(L) \simeq \mathrm{H}^{i+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}^{i}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, L) \simeq \mathrm{Ext}^{i+1}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .

(ii)  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^1_\mathfrak{a}(M)).$ 

*Proof.* For (i) See [4, Remark 2.1 ], and for (ii) See to the proof of [4, Theorem B].  $\Box$ 

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let M be an R-module. If  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^1_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.

*Proof.* Consider the exact sequence

 $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a},M) \to \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a},M//\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/\mathfrak{a},\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)).$ 

Therefore, it follows from [1, Proposition 2.3] and assumption that  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M//\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, and so by previous lemma  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^{1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.  $\Box$ 

Now, we are ready to present some sufficient conditions for the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimaxness of extension functors of local cohomology modules.

THEOREM 2.3. Let M be an R-module. Let t be a non-negative integer such that the local cohomology modules  $H^i_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax for all i < t.

(i) If  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)$ .

(ii) If  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module L with  $\operatorname{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the R-module  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(L, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 1$ .

(iii) If both  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t+1}(M))$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then the R-module  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax sub-module N of  $\operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M)$ .

(iv) If the R-modules  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^{t+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  for i = t, t+1, t+2 are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$ and for any finitely generated R-module L with  $\operatorname{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the R-module  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_R(L, \operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 2$ .

(v) If  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M))$  are both  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then the R-module  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(L, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t+1}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t+1}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module L with  $\operatorname{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ .

*Proof.* (i) The exact sequence

$$0 \to N \to \mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \to \mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N \to 0$$

induces the following exact sequence,

$$\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N) \to \operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$$

Since  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^2(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, so in view of [1, Proposition 2.3], it is sufficient to show that  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_\mathfrak{a}^t(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. We use induction on t. When t = 0, then by assumption  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, and so the exact sequence

$$0 = \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$$

implies that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(R/\mathfrak{a},\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Now suppose, inductively, that t > 0 and suppose that the result has been proved for t - 1. As  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax, it follows that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(R/\mathfrak{a},\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \geq 0$ . Hence by the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$$

and assumption,  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Also, as  $H^0_\mathfrak{a}(M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)) = \Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)) = 0$  and  $H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \simeq H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M)$  for all i > 0, it follows by assumption that  $H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M/\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax for all i < t. Therefore, we may assume that M is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion free. Let E be an injective envelope of M and put  $M_1 = E/M$ . Then by Lemma 2.1,  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M_1) \simeq \operatorname{Ext}_R^{i+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $H^i_\mathfrak{a}(M_1) \simeq H^{i+1}_\mathfrak{a}(M)$  for all  $i \geq 0$ . The induction hypothesis applied to  $M_1$ , yields that  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^{t-1}_\mathfrak{a}(M_1))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Hence again by Lemma 2.1,  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^t_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.

(ii) Let N be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule of  $\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and let L be a finitely generated R-module with  $\mathrm{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ . Hence by part (i) and [1, Theorem 4.2], the R-module  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(R/\mathfrak{a},\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 1$ . Now, in view of [1, Theorem 2.7], the R-module  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(L,\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 1$ .

(iii) By the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^t_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N) \to \operatorname{Ext}^3_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$$

and the fact that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{3}(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, it is sufficient to show that the R-module  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. To do this, we use induction on t. When t = 0, by assumption  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathfrak{a}}^{1}(M))$  are both  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Therefore, by Proposition 2.2, the R-module  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Thus the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{2}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{2}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$$

implies that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Now suppose, inductively, that t > 0 and suppose that the result has been proved for t - 1. As  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  is

a-cominimax, it follows from the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+3}(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$$

that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is a-minimax. Therefore we may assume that M is a-torsion free. Let E be an injective envelope of M and put  $M_{1} = E/M$ . By using a similar proof as in the proof of part (i), the induction hypothesis applied to  $M_{1}$ , yields that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t-1}(M_{1}))$  is a-minimax, and so  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{2}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M))$  is a-minimax.

(iv) Let N be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule of  $\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and let L be a finitely generated R-module with  $\mathrm{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ . Hence by parts (ii) and (iii), the R-module  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(R/\mathfrak{a},\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 2$ . Now, in view of [1, Theorem 2.7], the R-module  $\mathrm{Ext}^i_R(L,\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax for all  $i \leq 2$ .

(v) In view of [1, Theorem 2.7] it is enough to show that  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^{t+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. To this end, by the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^{t+1}_\mathfrak{a}(M)) \to \operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, H^{t+1}_\mathfrak{a}(M)/N) \to \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$$

and that  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(R/\mathfrak{a}, N)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, it is sufficient to show that  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_\mathfrak{a}^{t+1}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. To do this, we use induction on t. When t = 0, by assumption  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^2(R/\mathfrak{a}, \Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M))$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, and so in view of Proposition 2.2 the R-module  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}_\mathfrak{a}^1(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Now suppose, inductively, that t > 0 and suppose that the result has been proved for t - 1. Since  $\Gamma_\mathfrak{a}(M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax, it follows from the exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a},M) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a},M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+2}(R/\mathfrak{a},\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$$

that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{t+1}(R/\mathfrak{a}, M/\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax. Therefore we may assume that M is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -torsion free. Let E be an injective envelope of M and put  $M_1 = E/M$ . Again, by using a similar proof as in the proof of part (i), the induction hypothesis applied to  $M_1$ , yields that  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t}(M_1))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, and so  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(R/\mathfrak{a}, H_{\mathfrak{a}}^{t+1}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.  $\Box$ 

By using the above result, we can deduce the following corollary, which is the main result of this paper.

COROLLARY 2.4. Let M be an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax R-module, and let t be a nonnegative integer such that  $\mathrm{H}^{i}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -cominimax for all i < t. Then the following hold:

(i) For any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module L with  $\mathrm{Supp} L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the R-modules  $\mathrm{Hom}_R(L, \mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}^1_R(L, \mathrm{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.

(ii) If the R-modules  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{H}^{t+1}_{\mathfrak{a}}(M))$  is  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax, then for any  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax submodule N of  $\operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$  and for any finitely generated R-module L

with Supp  $L \subseteq V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the *R*-modules  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(L, \operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$ ,  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(L, \operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$ and  $\operatorname{Ext}^2_R(L, \operatorname{H}^t_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)/N)$  are all  $\mathfrak{a}$ -minimax.

*Proof.* Since M is a-minimax, so  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(R/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  is a-minimax for all i. Thus the result is followed by Theorem 2.3.  $\Box$ 

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