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## $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects in triangulated categories

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**Abstract:** We fix a proper class of triangles  $\xi$  in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ . Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a class of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^i(W, W') = 0$  for all  $W, W' \in \mathcal{W}$  and all  $i \geq 1$ . In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects and  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions of any object in  $\mathcal{C}$  and study the properties of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects and characterize the finite  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions of any object. Some applications are given.

**Key words:** Triangulated category, proper class of triangles,  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein object

### 1. Introduction

Triangulated categories were first introduced by Grothendieck and Verdier [20] in the 1960s for doing homological algebra in abelian categories. From then on, they have been useful in algebraic geometry and homological algebra. For this, one can reference [3, 11, 17]. Beligiannis in [4] first developed a homological algebra in a triangulated category. Let  $\xi$  be a proper class of triangles in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ . He introduced  $\xi$ -projective objects,  $\xi$ -projective resolution,  $\xi$ -projective dimension, and their duals. Asadollahi and Salarian in [1] introduced and studied  $\xi$ -Gorenstein projective objects in triangulated categories. Using the class  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$  of the full subcategory of  $\xi$ -Gorenstein projective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ , they related an invariant called  $\xi$ -Gorenstein projective dimension to any object  $A$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  and then investigated some properties on the  $\xi$ -Gorenstein projective dimension. Motivated by the classical structure of Tate cohomology, Asadollahi and Salarian in [2] developed and studied a Tate cohomology theory in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ . Based on Asadollahi and Salarian's work, the authors in [18] further studied Gorenstein homological dimensions for triangulated categories. More importantly, they proved the equality  $\sup\{\xi\text{-Gpd}M \mid \text{for any } M \in \mathcal{C}\} = \sup\{\xi\text{-Gid}M \mid \text{for any } M \in \mathcal{C}\}$ .

It is well known that the idea of relative homological algebra was introduced by Eilenberg and Moore [9], and was reinvigorated by Enochs, Jenda, and Torrecillas [6–8]. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be Gorenstein projective (for short  $G$ -projective; see [6]) if there is an exact complex

$$\mathbf{P} = \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \cdots$$

of projective modules with  $M = \text{Ker}(P^0 \rightarrow P^1)$  such that  $\text{Hom}(\mathbf{P}, Q)$  is exact for each projective  $R$ -module  $Q$ . To date, many authors have studied the related subjects; see [5, 10, 12–15, 19, 21, 22]. Let  $\mathcal{W}$

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be a self-orthogonal class of left  $R$ -modules. Geng and Ding in [10] introduced the notion of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein modules, which is a common generalization of some modules such as Gorenstein projective (injective) and V-Gorenstein projective (injective) modules. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian category. In [23], the author introduced the so-called resolving subcategory  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  and researched the  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution dimensions and special  $\mathcal{X}$ -precovers for resolving subcategory  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Motivated by the above-mentioned, our aim in this paper is to contribute in developing the relative homological algebra in triangulated categories. Precisely speaking, for a fixed proper class of triangles  $\xi$  and a fixed class of objects  $\mathcal{W}$  such that  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^i(W, W') = 0$  for all  $W, W' \in \mathcal{W}$  and all  $i \geq 1$  in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ , we introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects and  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions of any object in the category  $\mathcal{C}$ , where the symbol  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  denotes the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . The paper is organized as follows. In the second section, we recall some definitions and collect some fundamental results about triangulated categories that will be used throughout the paper. In Section 3, using the notion of completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact complexes, we introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects. More precisely, let  $X \cdot$  be a completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact complex. For any integer  $n$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$ . The object  $K_n$  for any integer  $n$  is called a  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein object. We also introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions of any object in  $\mathcal{C}$  and then consider their properties. In Section 4, we use the properties developed in the earlier section to characterize the finite  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions of any object in the triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ . In the last section, we give some applications.

**2. Preliminaries**

In this section we recall some definitions and elementary properties about triangulated categories that are used throughout the paper. First of all, for the definition of triangulated categories and some basic properties, one can refer to Neeman’s book [17]. The following result is crucial in this paper.

**Proposition 2.1** (See [4, 2.1] and [1, Proposition 2.2]). *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an additive category and  $\Sigma : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  be an autoequivalent functor and  $\Delta \subseteq \text{Diag}(\mathcal{C}, \Sigma)$ . Suppose that the triple  $(\mathcal{C}, \Sigma, \Delta)$  satisfies all the axioms of a triangulated category except possibly of the octahedral axiom. Then the following are equivalent:*

(1) (Base change). *For any triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A \in \Delta$  and morphism  $\epsilon : E \rightarrow C$ , there is a commutative diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M & \xlongequal{\quad} & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & G & \xrightarrow{g} & E & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma A \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \epsilon \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 A & \longrightarrow & B & \longrightarrow & C & \longrightarrow & \Sigma A \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma M & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma M & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

*in which all horizontal and the vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\Delta$ .*

(2) (Cobase change). For any triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A \in \Delta$  and morphism  $\alpha : A \rightarrow D$ , there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & N & \xlongequal{\quad} & N & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}C & \xrightarrow{-\Sigma^{-1}h} & A & \xrightarrow{g} & B & \xrightarrow{h} & C \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}C & \longrightarrow & D & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & C \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma N & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma N & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\Delta$ .

(3) (Octahedral axiom). Given two morphisms  $f_1 : A \rightarrow B$  and  $f_2 : B \rightarrow C$ , there is a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma A \\
 \parallel & & f_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f_2 f_1} & C & \longrightarrow & Y & \longrightarrow & \Sigma A \\
 f_1 \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \Sigma f_1 \downarrow \\
 B & \xrightarrow{f_2} & C & \longrightarrow & Z & \longrightarrow & \Sigma B \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma X & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the third vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\Delta$ .

A triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A$  is called split if it is isomorphic to the triangle  $A \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} A \oplus C \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} C \xrightarrow{0} \Sigma A$ . It is easy to see that it is split if and only if  $f$  is a section or  $g$  is a retraction or  $h = 0$ . The full subcategory of the split triangles is denoted by  $\Delta_0$ . A class of triangles  $\xi$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  is closed under base change if for any triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A \in \xi$  as in above proposition (1), the triangle  $A \rightarrow G \rightarrow E \rightarrow \Sigma A$  is in  $\xi$ . Dually, one can define the class  $\xi$  is closed under cobase change. The class  $\xi$  is closed under suspension if for any triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A \in \xi$  and any integer  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the triangle  $\Sigma^i A \xrightarrow{(-1)^i \Sigma^i f} \Sigma^i B \xrightarrow{(-1)^i \Sigma^i g} \Sigma^i C \xrightarrow{(-1)^i \Sigma^i h} \Sigma^{i+1} A$  is in  $\xi$ . The class  $\xi$  is closed under saturation if in the situation of base change in the above proposition, whenever the third vertical and the second horizontal triangle is in  $\xi$ , then the triangle  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma A$  is in  $\xi$ . Recall that a full subcategory  $\xi$  is called a proper class if (1)  $\xi$  is closed under isomorphisms, finite coproducts, and  $\Delta_0 \subseteq \xi \subseteq \Delta$ ; (2)  $\xi$  is closed under suspensions and is saturated; (3)  $\xi$  is closed under base and cobase change.

### 3. $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects

In this paper, we fix a proper class of triangles  $\xi$  in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ . Recall that for any object of  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any integer  $n \geq 0$ , the  $\xi$ -extension functor  $\xi xt_{\xi}^n(-, C)$  is defined to be the  $n$ th right  $\xi$ -derived functor of the functor  $\mathcal{C}(-, C)$ ; see [4]. Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a class of objects in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\xi xt_{\xi}^i(W, W') = 0$  for all  $W, W' \in \mathcal{W}$  and all  $i \geq 1$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a subcategory of  $\mathcal{C}$ . For an object  $M \in \mathcal{C}$ , write  $\mathcal{H} \perp M$  if  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{\geq 1}(X, M) = 0$  for any object  $X \in \mathcal{H}$ .  $\mathcal{H} \perp \mathcal{W}$  denotes that  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{\geq 1}(X, W) = 0$  for any object  $X \in \mathcal{H}$  and for any object  $W \in \mathcal{W}$ . We set  $\mathcal{H}^{\perp} = \{M \in \mathcal{C} \mid \xi xt_{\xi}^{\geq 1}(X, M) = 0 \text{ for any } X \in \mathcal{H}\}$ .  ${}^{\perp}\mathcal{H} = \{M \in \mathcal{C} \mid \xi xt_{\xi}^{\geq 1}(M, X) = 0 \text{ for any } X \in \mathcal{H}\}$ . In this section, the notion of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects is introduced and studied.

**Definition 3.1** A  $\xi$ -exact complex  $X^{\cdot}$  is a diagram

$$X^{\cdot} = \cdots \rightarrow X_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} X_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} X_{-1} \rightarrow \cdots$$

in  $\mathcal{C}$ , such that there exists a triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$  with  $d_{n+1} = g_n f_{n+1}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Definition 3.2** A triangle  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  in  $\xi$  is called  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact if for any  $W \in \mathcal{W}$ , the induced complex

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(C, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(B, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A, W) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact in the category  $\mathcal{A}b$  of abelian groups.

**Definition 3.3** A  $\xi$ -exact complex  $X^{\cdot}$  is called  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact if for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$ .

The  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact triangle and the  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact complex can be defined dually.

**Definition 3.4** A  $\xi$ -exact complex  $X^{\cdot}$  is called completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact if it is both  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact and for each integer  $n$ ,  $X_n \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Remark 3.5** Let  $X^{\cdot}$  be a completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact complex. For any integer  $n$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$ . Thus for any  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  there are short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(K_n, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X_{n+1}, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(K_{n+1}, W) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, K_{n+1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, X_{n+1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, K_n) \rightarrow 0$$

in  $\mathcal{A}b$ . We paste them together and can obtain two exact sequences

$$\cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X_{-1}, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X_0, W) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X_1, W) \rightarrow \cdots$$

and

$$\cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, X_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, X_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, X_{-1}) \rightarrow \cdots$$

in  $\mathcal{A}b$ .

**Definition 3.6** Let  $X^\cdot$  be a completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact complex. For any integer  $n$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$ . The object  $K_n$  for any integer  $n$  is called a  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein object. We use  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  to denote the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Remark 3.7** Recall that an object  $P \in \mathcal{C}$  (respectively,  $I \in \mathcal{C}$ ) is called  $\xi$ -projective (respectively,  $\xi$ -injective) if for any triangle  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  in  $\xi$ , the induced complex  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(P, A) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(P, B) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(P, C) \rightarrow 0$  (respectively,  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(C, I) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(B, I) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A, I) \rightarrow 0$ ) is exact in  $\mathcal{A}b$ . The symbol  $\mathcal{P}(\xi)$  (respectively,  $\mathcal{I}(\xi)$ ) denotes the full subcategory of  $\xi$ -projective (respectively,  $\xi$ -injective) objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ . If we use  $\mathcal{P}(\xi)$  (respectively,  $\mathcal{I}(\xi)$ ) to replace  $\mathcal{W}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects are just  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective ( $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective) objects in [1].

**Definition 3.8** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a subcategory of  $\mathcal{C}$ . For  $M \in \mathcal{C}$ , an  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution of  $M$  is a  $\xi$ -exact complex

$$\cdots \rightarrow X_n \rightarrow X_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

where  $X_i \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . If  $M$  admits an  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution, the  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution dimension of  $M$ , denoted by  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$ , is defined as the infimum of the set of  $n$  such that there exists a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow X_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  where all  $X_i$  are in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . If no such  $n$  exists, set  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = \infty$ . We use  $\widehat{\text{res}\mathcal{X}}$  to denote the subcategory of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{X}}(M) < \infty$ . A  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution of  $M$  is called proper if, for any  $H \in \mathcal{X}$ , the following complex

$$\cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(H, X_n) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(H, X_{n-1}) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(H, X_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(H, X_0) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. We use  $\widetilde{\text{res}\mathcal{X}}$  to denote the subcategory of objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  admitting a proper  $\mathcal{X}$ -resolution.

Dually, one can define the (proper)  $\mathcal{X}$ -coresolution and  $\mathcal{X}$ -coresolution dimension of  $M$ . We use  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$  to denote the  $\mathcal{X}$ -coresolution dimension of  $M$ , use  $\widehat{\text{cores}\mathcal{X}}$  to denote the subcategory of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{X}}(M) < \infty$ , and use  $\widetilde{\text{cores}\mathcal{X}}$  to denote the subcategory of objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  admitting a proper  $\mathcal{X}$ -coresolution.

**Lemma 3.9** (1) Let  $M' \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} M'' \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma M'$  be a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact triangle in  $\xi$ . If  $M'$  and  $M''$  are in  $\widetilde{\text{res}\mathcal{W}}$ , then so is  $M$ .

(2) Let  $M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow \Sigma M'$  be a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle in  $\xi$ . If  $M'$  and  $M''$  are in  $\widetilde{\text{cores}\mathcal{W}}$ , then so is  $M$ .

**Proof** We just prove (1). Dually, (2) can be proved. Since  $M'$  and  $M''$  are in  $\widetilde{\text{res}\mathcal{W}}$ , there are triangles  $K'_0 \rightarrow W'_0 \xrightarrow{\partial'_0} M' \rightarrow \Sigma K'_0$  and  $K''_0 \rightarrow W''_0 \xrightarrow{\partial''_0} M'' \rightarrow \Sigma K''_0$  in  $\xi$  with  $W'_0, W''_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $K'_0, K''_0 \in \widetilde{\text{res}\mathcal{W}}$ . Since  $M' \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} M'' \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma M'$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact, there is a morphism  $\eta \in \mathcal{C}(W''_0, M)$  such that  $g\eta = \partial''_0$ . Thus we have the following diagram where the first two squares are commutative.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} W'_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & W'_0 \oplus W''_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & W''_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W'_0 \\ & & \binom{1}{0} & & \binom{0}{1} & & \\ \partial'_0 \downarrow & & (f\partial'_0 \ \eta) \downarrow & & \partial''_0 \downarrow & & \Sigma\partial'_0 \downarrow \\ M' & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M'' & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Sigma M' \\ & & f & & g & & h \end{array}$$

Since  $(0, h\partial'_0) = h\partial'_0(0, 1) = hg(f\partial'_0 \eta) = 0$ , so  $h\partial'_0 = 0$ , which shows that the third square is also commutative. By (TR2), we have the following diagram in which the two top rows and the two left columns are triangles with the top first square commutative.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \Sigma^{-1}W''_0 & \longrightarrow & W'_0 & \longrightarrow & W'_0 \oplus W''_0 & \longrightarrow & W''_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M'' & \longrightarrow & M' & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & M'' \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\
 K''_0 & & \Sigma K'_0 & & & & \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\
 W''_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W'_0 & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

Applying [16, Lemma 2.6], there is an object  $\Sigma K_0$  and there are arrow maps such that the following diagram is commutative except for its bottom right square, which commutes up to sign  $-1$ , and all four rows and columns are triangles.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \Sigma^{-1}W''_0 & \longrightarrow & W'_0 & \longrightarrow & W'_0 \oplus W''_0 & \longrightarrow & W''_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M'' & \longrightarrow & M' & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & M'' \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 K''_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K'_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K''_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 W''_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W'_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma(W'_0 \oplus W''_0) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W''_0
 \end{array}$$

Using (TR2), we have the following diagram, in which all the rows and columns are triangles and all squares are commutative except for the second square on the top, which is commutative up to sign  $-1$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 K'_0 & \xrightarrow{a} & K_0 & \xrightarrow{b} & K''_0 & \xrightarrow{c} & \Sigma K'_0 \\
 d \downarrow & & e \downarrow & & o \downarrow & & p \downarrow \\
 W'_0 & \xrightarrow{q} & W'_0 \oplus W''_0 & \xrightarrow{i} & W''_0 & \xrightarrow{j} & \Sigma W'_0 \\
 k \downarrow & & l \downarrow & & m \downarrow & & n \downarrow \\
 M' & \xrightarrow{f} & M & \xrightarrow{g} & M'' & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma M' \\
 r \downarrow & & s \downarrow & & t \downarrow & & u \downarrow \\
 \Sigma K'_0 & \xrightarrow{v} & \Sigma K_0 & \xrightarrow{w} & \Sigma K''_0 & \xrightarrow{x} & \Sigma^2 K'_0
 \end{array}$$

Using sign criteria, we have the following diagram, in which all the rows and columns are triangles and all squares are commutative except for the second square on the bottom, which is commutative up to sign  $-1$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 K'_0 & \xrightarrow{a} & K_0 & \xrightarrow{b} & K''_0 & \xrightarrow{c} & \Sigma K'_0 \\
 -d \downarrow & & -e \downarrow & & o \downarrow & & p \downarrow \\
 W'_0 & \xrightarrow{q} & W'_0 \oplus W''_0 & \xrightarrow{i} & W''_0 & \xrightarrow{j} & \Sigma W'_0 \\
 -k \downarrow & & -l \downarrow & & -m \downarrow & & -n \downarrow \\
 M' & \xrightarrow{f} & M & \xrightarrow{g} & M'' & \xrightarrow{h} & \Sigma M' \\
 r \downarrow & & s \downarrow & & -t \downarrow & & -u \downarrow \\
 \Sigma K'_0 & \xrightarrow{v} & \Sigma K_0 & \xrightarrow{w} & \Sigma K''_0 & \xrightarrow{x} & \Sigma^2 K'_0
 \end{array}$$

Using  $\mathcal{C}(W, -)$ , we have the following commutative diagram except for the second square on the top, in which all rows and columns are exact

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & & & & & & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & & & & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{C}(W, K'_0) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & \mathcal{C}(W, K_0) & \xrightarrow{\beta} & \mathcal{C}(W, K''_0) & & \\
 \mu \downarrow & & \nu \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}(W, W'_0) & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \mathcal{C}(W, W'_0 \oplus W''_0) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}(W, W''_0) & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}(W, M') & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}(W, M) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}(W, M'') & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & & & & 0 & & 
 \end{array}$$

By snake lemma,  $\alpha$  is epic. Since  $\mathcal{C}(W, -)$  is a cohomological functor,  $\mathcal{C}(W, \Sigma K_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, \Sigma W'_0 \oplus W''_0)$  is monic. Replacing  $W$  with  $\Sigma W$ , we have that  $\mathcal{C}(\Sigma W, \Sigma K_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(\Sigma W, \Sigma w'_0 \oplus w''_0)$  is monic. Therefore,  $\mathcal{C}(W, K_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(W, W'_0 \oplus W''_0)$  is monic. Since  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\nu$  are monic,  $\kappa$  is monic. Using the dual method above, one can prove that  $\beta$  is epic. Continuing the above procedure, we have  $M \in \text{res}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ .  $\square$

In the rest of this paper, let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a class of objects in a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\xi \text{xt}_\xi^i(W, W') = 0$ ,  $\xi \text{xt}_\xi^0(-, W) \cong C(-, W)$ , and  $\xi \text{xt}_\xi^0(W, -) \cong C(W, -)$  for all  $W, W' \in \mathcal{W}$  and all  $i \geq 1$ .

**Lemma 3.10** *Let  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  be a triangle in  $\xi$ .*

(1) *If  $C \perp \mathcal{W}$ , then  $A \perp \mathcal{W}$  if and only if  $B \perp \mathcal{W}$ . If  $A \perp \mathcal{W}$  and  $B \perp \mathcal{W}$ , then  $C \perp \mathcal{W}$  if and only if  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  is a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle.*

(2) *If  $\mathcal{W} \perp A$ , then  $\mathcal{W} \perp B$  if and only if  $\mathcal{W} \perp C$ . If  $\mathcal{W} \perp B$  and  $\mathcal{W} \perp C$ , then  $\mathcal{W} \perp A$  if and only if  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  is a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact triangle.*

**Proof** (1) It is a consequence of [1, Proposition 3.8]. Dually, one can prove (2).  $\square$

The following proposition provides a criterion for a given object of  $\mathcal{C}$  to be  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein.



**Proposition 3.11** *An object  $M$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein object if and only if  $M \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^\perp$  and  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution.*

**Proof**  $\Rightarrow$ : Since  $M$  is a  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein object, there is a completely  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact complex

$$X^\bullet = \cdots \rightarrow X_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} X_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} X_{-1} \rightarrow \cdots$$

in  $\mathcal{C}$ , such that for each integer  $n$ ,  $X_n \in \mathcal{W}$  and that there exists a both  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K_{n+1} \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} X_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  in  $\xi$  with  $d_{n+1} = g_n f_{n+1}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $M = K_{-1}$ . Thus  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution. Moreover, by [1, Proposition 3.8],  $M$  belongs to  ${}^\perp \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^\perp$ .

$\Leftarrow$ : Let  $\cdots \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  and  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow X_{-1} \rightarrow X_{-2} \rightarrow \cdots$  be a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution of  $M$ , respectively. Pasting them together, by [1, Proposition 3.8], one can check it is both  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact, since  $M \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^\perp$ .  $\square$

Recall that a class  $\mathcal{H}$  in abelian categories is closed under extensions if for every short exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow H_1 \rightarrow H_2 \rightarrow H_3 \rightarrow 0$  with  $H_1 \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $H_3 \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $H_2 \in \mathcal{H}$ . In a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}$ , we give a similar definition.

**Definition 3.12** *Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a class of objects. It is said to be closed under extensions if for any triangle  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  in  $\xi$ ,  $A$  and  $C$  are in  $\mathcal{H}$ , then so is  $B$ .*

**Lemma 3.13**  *$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  is closed under extensions.*

**Proof** Let  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  be a triangle in  $\xi$  with  $A \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $C \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . By Proposition 3.11,  $A, C \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^\perp$ , and then  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow \Sigma A$  is both  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact following Lemma 3.10. By Lemma 3.9,  $B$  has a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution. Since  $A$  and  $C$  are in  ${}^\perp \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^\perp$ , by Lemma 3.10, so is  $B$ . By Proposition 3.11,  $B$  is included in  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.14** (1) *If  $M \in \text{res}\widetilde{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ , then  $M \in \text{res}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ .*

(2) *If  $M \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ , then  $M \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ .*

**Proof** We prove part (1); the proof of part (2) is dual. Since  $M \in \text{res}\widetilde{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact triangle  $N \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma N$  in  $\xi$  with  $G_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $N \in \text{res}\widetilde{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ . Thus there is a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact triangle  $G'_0 \rightarrow W_0 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow \Sigma G'_0$  in  $\xi$  with  $G'_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $W_0 \in \mathcal{W}$ . For the triangle  $\Sigma^{-1}M \rightarrow N \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow N$  and the morphism  $W_0 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} G_0$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (a)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & G'_0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & G'_0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & H & \longrightarrow & W_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \varepsilon \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & N & \longrightarrow & G_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G'_0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma G'_0 & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $N \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma N$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact, by [1, Proposition 3.8],  $\xi xt^1(\mathcal{W}, N) = 0$ . On the other hand,  $G'_0 \in \mathcal{W}^\perp$ , so  $\xi xt^1(\mathcal{W}, H) = 0$ . Therefore, the triangle  $H \rightarrow W_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma H$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact. Since  $N \in \widetilde{res\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact triangle  $K \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow \Sigma K$  in  $\xi$  with  $G_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $K \in \widetilde{res\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ , and  $\xi xt^1_\xi(\mathcal{W}, K) = 0$ . There exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \xlongequal{\quad} & K & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 G'_0 & \longrightarrow & L & \longrightarrow & G_1 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G'_0 \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \varepsilon \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 G'_0 & \longrightarrow & H & \longrightarrow & N & \longrightarrow & G'_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma K & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $G'_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $G_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $L \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Since  $\xi xt^1_\xi(\mathcal{W}, K) = 0$ , the triangle  $K \rightarrow L \rightarrow H \rightarrow \Sigma K$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact. Therefore,  $H \in \widetilde{res\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}$ . Continuing the above process, one can prove that  $M \in \widetilde{res\mathcal{W}}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.15**  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  is closed under direct summands.

**Proof** Let  $G \cong G' \oplus G'' \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Consider the following split triangles  $G' \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} G \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} G'' \rightarrow \Sigma G'$  and  $G'' \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}} G \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} G' \rightarrow \Sigma G''$ , which are  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}))$ -exact. Therefore,  $G'$  and  $G''$  admit both a proper  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -coresolution. By Proposition 3.14,  $G'$  and  $G''$  admit both a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution and a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution. Since

$$\xi xt^i_\xi(G' \oplus G'', \mathcal{W}) \cong \xi xt^i_\xi(G', \mathcal{W}) \oplus \xi xt^i_\xi(G'', \mathcal{W})$$

and

$$\xi xt^i_\xi(\mathcal{W}, G' \oplus G'') \cong \xi xt^i_\xi(\mathcal{W}, G') \oplus \xi xt^i_\xi(\mathcal{W}, G'').$$

Both  $G'$  and  $G''$  are in  ${}^{\perp}\mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^{\perp}$ . By Proposition 3.11,  $G'$  and  $G''$  are included in  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , which shows that  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  is closed under direct summands.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.16** (1)  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{i \geq 1}(G, M) = 0$  for any  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and any object  $M \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(M) < \infty$ .

(2)  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{i \geq 1}(N, G) = 0$  for any  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and any object  $N \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(N) < \infty$ .

**Proof** We just need to prove (1). First we assume  $Q \in \mathcal{W}$ . Since  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $K \rightarrow P \rightarrow G \rightarrow \Sigma K$  in  $\xi$  with  $P \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $K \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . By [1, Proposition 3.8],  $\xi xt_{\xi}^1(G, Q) = 0$  and  $\xi xt_{\xi}^2(G, Q) \cong \xi xt_{\xi}^1(K, Q) = 0$  for  $K \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Therefore,  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{i \geq 1}(G, Q) = 0$ . Now one can prove it completely by induction on  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(M)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.17** (1) For each  $M \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $resdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) = n < \infty$ , there are two  $\xi$ -exact sequences,  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow X \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  and  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow A \rightarrow X' \rightarrow 0$ , where  $X, X' \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(K) \leq n - 1$ , and  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(A) \leq n$ . If  $n = 0$ , this should be interpreted as  $K = 0$ .

(2) For each  $M \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) = n < \infty$ , there are two  $\xi$ -exact sequences,  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow Y \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$  and  $0 \rightarrow Y' \rightarrow B \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ , where  $Y, Y' \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(N) \leq n - 1$ , and  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(B) \leq n$ . If  $n = 0$ , this should be interpreted as  $N = 0$ .

**Proof** We just prove (1) by induction on  $n$ , since one can prove (2) dually. If  $n = 1$ , there is  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -resolution  $0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  of  $M$  with  $X_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $X_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . There is a triangle  $X_1 \rightarrow W \rightarrow X'_1 \rightarrow \Sigma X_1$  in  $\xi$  with  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $X'_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For the triangle  $X_1 \rightarrow X_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma X_1$  and the morphism  $\alpha : X_1 \rightarrow W$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}X_1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}X_1 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & X_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & W & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & X'_1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & X'_1 & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $X_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $X'_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $X \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  by Lemma 3.13. Then we get the first required  $\xi$ -exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow W \rightarrow X \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $X \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  from the third row of the above diagram. For  $X$ , there is a triangle  $X \rightarrow W_0 \rightarrow X' \rightarrow \Sigma X$  in  $\xi$  with  $W_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $X' \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For morphisms  $f_1 : W \rightarrow X$  and  $f_2 : X \rightarrow W_0$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (C)], there is a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 W & \xrightarrow{f_1} & X & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W \\
 \parallel & & f_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 W & \xrightarrow{f_2 f_1} & W_0 & \longrightarrow & A & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W \\
 f_1 \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \Sigma f_1 \downarrow \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & W_0 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma M & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma M & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the third vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . The third column of the above diagram yields the second required  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow A \rightarrow X' \rightarrow 0$  with  $X' \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(A) \leq 1$ , since  $W_0$  and  $W_0$  are in  $\mathcal{W}$ . Assume that the result holds for  $n-1$  ( $n \geq 2$ ). Since  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) = n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact triangle  $K \rightarrow V_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  in  $\xi$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(K) = n-1$  and  $V_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For  $K$ , by induction hypothesis, there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow K \xrightarrow{\alpha} A_K \rightarrow X'_K \rightarrow 0$ , where  $X'_K \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(A_K) \leq n-1$ . By [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}X'_K & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}X'_K & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & V_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & A_K & \longrightarrow & X_M & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & X'_K & \xlongequal{\quad} & X'_K & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $V_0$  and  $X'_K$  are in  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , then by Lemma 3.13  $X_M$  is in  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then we get the first needed  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A_K \rightarrow X_M \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(A_K) \leq n-1$  and  $X_M \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  from the third row of the above diagram. Since  $X_M \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , there is a triangle  $X_M \rightarrow W_1 \rightarrow X'_M \rightarrow \Sigma X_M$  in  $\xi$  with  $W_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $X'_M \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For morphisms  $g_1 : A_K \rightarrow X_M$  and  $g_2 : X_M \rightarrow W_1$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (C)], there is a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 A_K & \xrightarrow{g_1} & X_M & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & \Sigma A_K \\
 \parallel & & g_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 A_K & \xrightarrow{g_2 g_1} & W_1 & \longrightarrow & A_M & \longrightarrow & \Sigma A_K \\
 g_1 \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \Sigma g_1 \downarrow \\
 X_M & \xrightarrow{g_2} & W_1 & \longrightarrow & X'_M & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X_M \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X_M & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma X_M & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the third vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . The third column of the above diagram yields the second needed  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow A_M \rightarrow X'_M \rightarrow 0$  with  $X'_M \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(A_M) \leq n$  for  $W_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(A_K) \leq n - 1$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.18** A morphism  $\varphi : G \rightarrow M$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ , where  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , is called a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover of  $M$  if it can be completed to a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact triangle  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$ .  $M$  is said to have a special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover if there is a triangle  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $\xi xt_{\xi}^1(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), K) = 0$ .  $M$  is said to have a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -approximation if there is a triangle  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $resdim_{\mathcal{W}}(K) < \infty$ .

It is clear that  $M$  has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover if it has a special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover and  $M$  has a special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover if it has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -approximation. Dually, one can define the  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -preenvelope, special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -preenvelope, and  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -coapproximation of  $M$ . Following Proposition 3.17 we have

**Corollary 3.19** (1) Every object  $A$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $resdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(A) < \infty$  has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -approximation and a special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -precover.

(2) Every object  $B$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(B) < \infty$  has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -coapproximation and a special  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -preenvelope.

Before we end this section, we consider the so-called stability of  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects. More precisely, now we use  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  to replace  $\mathcal{W}$  in Definition 3.6. The objects " $K_n$ " for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  are called  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -Gorenstein objects. We use  $\mathcal{G}^2(\mathcal{W})$  to denote the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -Gorenstein objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . We claim that

**Theorem 3.20**  $\mathcal{G}^2(\mathcal{W}) = \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ .

**Proof** Let  $K \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Consider the diagram

$$K \cdot : \cdots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots$$

in  $\mathcal{C}$ . It is clear that  $K \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \Sigma K$  and  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0$  are triangles in  $\xi$  that are both  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}))$ -exact. Thus  $K \cdot$  is a complete  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -exact complex and  $K \in \mathcal{G}^2(\mathcal{W})$ .

Let  $G \in \mathcal{G}^2(\mathcal{W})$ . Now we use Proposition 3.11 to check that  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For any integer  $n$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{W}, -)$ -exact and  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $G_{n+1} \rightarrow K_{n+1} \rightarrow G_n \rightarrow \Sigma G_{n+1}$  with  $K_{n+1} \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $G = G_{-1}$ . By Proposition 3.11  $K_n \in {}^{\perp} \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^{\perp}$  for any integer  $n$ . By [1, Proposition 3.8] and its duality, we have that  $G \in {}^{\perp} \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{W}^{\perp}$ . Now we need to construct a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution of  $G$ . A proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -resolution of  $G$  can be constructed dually. Since  $K_{-1} \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -triangle  $K_{-1} \xrightarrow{g_2} W_0 \rightarrow V_0 \rightarrow \Sigma K_{-1}$  in  $\xi$  such that  $W_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $V_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , and then  $V_0 \in cores\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . By [1, Proposition 2.2 (C)], there is a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 G & \xrightarrow{g_1} & K_{-1} & \longrightarrow & G_{-2} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G \\
 \parallel & & g_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 G & \xrightarrow{g_2 g_1} & W_0 & \longrightarrow & U_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G \\
 g_1 \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \Sigma g_1 \downarrow \\
 K_{-1} & \xrightarrow{g_2} & W_0 & \longrightarrow & V_0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K_{-1} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G_{-2} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma G_{-2} & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the third vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $V_0 \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$  and  $G_{-2} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ ,  $U_0 \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ . We have a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $G \rightarrow W_0 \rightarrow U_0 \rightarrow \Sigma G$ . By [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}V_0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}V_0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}G_{-3} & \longrightarrow & G_{-2} & \longrightarrow & K_{-2} & \longrightarrow & G_{-3} \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}G_{-3} & \longrightarrow & U_0 & \longrightarrow & Z_0 & \longrightarrow & G_{-3} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & V_0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & V_0 & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $K_{-2} \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  and  $V_0 \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ ,  $Z_0 \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Since  $K_{-2} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$  and  $V_0 \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ ,  $Z_0 \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ . Therefore, there is a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle  $Z_0 \rightarrow W_{-1} \rightarrow V_{-1} \rightarrow \Sigma Z_0$  with  $V_{-1} \in \text{cores}\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  and  $W_{-1} \in \mathcal{W}$ . Since  $Z_0 \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$  and  $W_{-1} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ ,  $V_{-1} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ . By [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}V_{-1} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}V_{-1} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 U_0 & \longrightarrow & Z_0 & \longrightarrow & G_{-3} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma U_0 \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 U_0 & \longrightarrow & W_{-1} & \longrightarrow & U_{-1} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma U_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & V_{-1} & \xlongequal{\quad} & V_{-1} & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $G_{-3} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$  and  $V_{-1} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ ,  $U_{-1} \in {}^\perp \mathcal{W}$ . Therefore, the third row is a  $\mathcal{C}(-, \mathcal{W})$ -exact triangle. Continuing the above procedure, one can get a proper  $\mathcal{W}$ -coresolution of  $G$ .  $\square$

**4.  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein (co)resolution dimensions**

In this section, we give some characterizations of the finite  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -(co)resolution dimensions. For doing this, we first give the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.1** *Let  $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  be a  $\xi$ -exact complex with  $G_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $G_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then there are two  $\xi$ -exact complexes  $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow P \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $P \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow H \rightarrow Q \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $Q \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $H \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ .*

**Proof** By hypothesis, there are two triangles  $N \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow K \rightarrow \Sigma N$  and  $K \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  in  $\xi$ . Since  $G_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , there is a triangle with  $G_1 \rightarrow P \rightarrow G'_1 \rightarrow \Sigma G_1$  in  $\xi$  with  $P \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $G'_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . For morphisms  $f_1 : N \rightarrow G_1$  and  $f_2 : G_1 \rightarrow P$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (C)], there is a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 N & \xrightarrow{f_1} & G_1 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & \Sigma N \\
 \parallel & & f_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 N & \xrightarrow{f_2 f_1} & P & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \Sigma N \\
 f_1 \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \Sigma f_1 \downarrow \\
 G_1 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & P & \longrightarrow & G'_1 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma G_1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma K & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma K & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and the third vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . For the triangle  $K \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  and the morphism  $\alpha : K \rightarrow X$ , by [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}G'_1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}G'_1 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & G_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \parallel & & \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & G & \longrightarrow & M \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & G'_1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & G'_1 & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $G_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $G'_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then we get the  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow P \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $P \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Similarly, we use base change and octahedral axiom and can obtain the other required  $\xi$ -exact complex.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.2** *For any object  $M$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent,*

- (1)  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $j \geq k$ .

(3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $j \geq k$ .

(2') For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{W}$ .

(3') For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof** (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) and (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): It is clear.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Let  $0 \rightarrow G_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  be a  $\xi$ -exact complex with all  $G_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . We prove (3) by induction on  $n$ . Let  $n = 1$ . Since  $G_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ , there is a triangle  $G_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} P_1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow \Sigma G_1$  in  $\xi$  with  $P_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $N \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . By [1, Proposition 2.2 (b)], there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{-1}N & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma^{-1}N & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & G_1 & \longrightarrow & G_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 \Sigma^{-1}M & \longrightarrow & P_1 & \xrightarrow{\quad \alpha \quad} & D_0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & N & \xlongequal{\quad} & N & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

in which all horizontal and vertical diagrams are triangles in  $\xi$ . Since  $G_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $N \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $D_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then we get the  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow D_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $P_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $D_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Now assume that  $n > 1$ . There is a triangle  $A \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma A$  in  $\xi$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(A) \leq n - 1$ . By the induction hypothesis, for any integer  $k$  with  $2 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  if  $1 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $j \geq k$ . Therefore, there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ . There is a triangle  $B \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow A \rightarrow \Sigma B$  in  $\xi$ . For the  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ , by Lemma 4.1, there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow P'_1 \rightarrow G'_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $P'_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $G'_0 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Therefore, we get the desired exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow P'_1 \rightarrow G'_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ .

(3')  $\Rightarrow$  (2') and (2')  $\Rightarrow$  (1): It is clear.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3'): Let  $0 \rightarrow G_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  be a  $\xi$ -exact complex with all  $G_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . We prove (3) by induction on  $n$ . If  $n = 1$ , by Lemma 4.1, the assertion is true. Now we assume that  $n \geq 2$ . There are two triangles  $K \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow K_0 \rightarrow \Sigma K$  and  $K_0 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K_0$  in  $\xi$ . For the  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ , by Lemma 4.1, we get two exact sequences  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow G'_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $G'_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $P_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $0 \rightarrow G_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow G_2 \rightarrow G'_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ . There is a triangle  $N \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma N$  in  $\xi$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(N) \leq n - 1$ . By the induction hypothesis, for any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{W}$ . Therefore, we get the wanted exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ . Now we prove the case  $k = 0$ . There is a triangle  $A \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma A$  in  $\xi$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(A) \leq n - 1$ . By the induction hypothesis, there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$  such that  $B_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and



other  $B_i \in \mathcal{W}$ . So we have a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ . There is a triangle  $B \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow B' \rightarrow \Sigma B$  in  $\xi$ . For the  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ , by Lemma 4.1, we get a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow P'' \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  with  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $P'' \in \mathcal{W}$ . Hence the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow B_2 \rightarrow P'' \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  is desired.  $\square$

Dually, we have the following result.

**Proposition 4.3** *For any object  $M$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent,*

- (1)  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (2') For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{W}$ .
- (3') For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proposition 4.4** *Assume that  $\mathcal{W}$  is closed under direct summands. For any object  $M$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) < \infty$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any nonnegative integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq n$ .
- (2)  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -resolution of length  $\leq n$ .
- (3)  $M$  has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -approximation,  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(K) \leq n - 1$ .
- (4)  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^{n+j}(M, W) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $W \in \mathcal{W}$ .
- (5)  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^{n+j}(M, N) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $N$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(N) < \infty$ .
- (6)  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^{n+1}(M, N) = 0$  for all  $N$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(N) < \infty$ .

**Proof**

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): It is trivial.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): By Proposition 3.17 (1), there is a triangle  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  in  $\xi$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{W}}(K) \leq n - 1$  and  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . Thus, by Proposition 3.16 (1),  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^j(A, K) = 0$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $j \geq 1$ . Therefore, the triangle  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}), -)$ -exact. Replacing  $M$  with  $K$ , one can get that  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -resolution of length  $\leq n$ .

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3): It follows from Corollary 3.19 (1).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): There is a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow G_n \rightarrow G_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $G_i \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ .  $\xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^{n+j}(M, W) \cong \xi \text{xt}_{\xi}^j(M, W) = 0$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  and all  $j \geq 1$  by [1, Proposition 3.8] and Proposition 3.16 (1).

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5): It is clear by the dimension shifting theorem for any triangle.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6): It is trivial.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Set  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq m < \infty$ . If  $m \leq n$ , there is nothing to do. Therefore, assume that  $m > n$ . By Proposition 4.2, there are  $\mathcal{W}$ -exact triangles in  $\xi$   $K_i \rightarrow W_i \rightarrow K_{i-1} \rightarrow \Sigma K_i$  for

$1 \leq i \leq m - 1$  and  $K_0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K_0$  with  $W_i \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $resdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq m - 1$ . If  $n = 0$ ,  $\xi xt_{\xi}^1(M, K_0) = 0$  by Proposition 3.16 (1),  $K_0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K_0$  is split. Then by Lemma 3.15,  $resdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) = 0 \leq n$ . Now set  $n \geq 1$ .  $\xi xt_{\xi}^1(K_n, K_{n+1}) \cong \xi xt_{\xi}^{n+1}(M, K_{n+1}) = 0$  by Proposition 3.16 (1). Thus  $K_{n+1} \rightarrow W_{n+1} \rightarrow K_n \rightarrow \Sigma K_{n+1}$  is split, and then  $K_n \in \mathcal{W}$ . Therefore,  $resdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq n$ .  $\square$

Dually,

**Proposition 4.5** *Assume that  $\mathcal{W}$  is closed under direct summands. For any object  $M$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) < \infty$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any nonnegative integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $coresdim_{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})}(M) \leq n$ .
- (2)  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -coresolution of length  $\leq n$ .
- (3)  $M$  has a  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ -coapproximation,  $M \rightarrow G \rightarrow K \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(K) \leq n - 1$ .
- (4)  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{n+j}(W, M) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $W \in \mathcal{W}$ .
- (5)  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{n+j}(N, M) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $N$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(N) < \infty$ .
- (6)  $\xi xt_{\xi}^{n+1}(N, M) = 0$  for all  $N$  with  $coresdim_{\mathcal{W}}(N) < \infty$ .

### 5. Applications

Asadollahi and Salarian gave a nice theorem about the finiteness of  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective dimensions; see [1, Theorem 4.6]. In [18], the authors used the vanishing of  $\xi xt_{\xi}^i(-, -)$  to characterize the  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective and  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective dimensions of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ ; see [18, Lemma 4.4 and 4.5]. As mentioned in Remark 3.7, if we use  $\mathcal{P}(\xi)$  (respectively,  $\mathcal{I}(\xi)$ ) to replace  $\mathcal{W}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$ -Gorenstein objects are just  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective ( $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective) objects in [1]. We denote the class of all  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  by  $\mathcal{GP}(\xi)$ , and denote the class of all  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  by  $\mathcal{GI}(\xi)$ . According to [1, Theorem 3.11 and Proposition 3.13],  $\mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  is closed under extensions and direct summands. Dually, so is  $\mathcal{GI}(\xi)$ . It is clear that  $\xi xt_{\xi}^0(N, M) \cong \mathcal{C}(N, M)$  if  $N \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$  or  $M \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ . It is well known that  $\mathcal{P}(\xi)$  (respectively,  $\mathcal{I}(\xi)$ ) is closed under direct summands. In this section, we use the preceding results to characterize the  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective ( $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective) dimensions as well as codimensions of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . We use  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}pd(M)$  and  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}id(M)$  instead of  $resdim_{\mathcal{GP}(\xi)}(M)$  and  $coresdim_{\mathcal{GI}(\xi)}(M)$  to denote the  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  projective and  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}$  injective dimensions of  $M$ , respectively. Therefore, we have

**Proposition 5.1** *For any object  $M$  with  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}pd(M) < \infty$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\xi$ - $\mathcal{G}pd(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (4) For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$ .
- (5) For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$ .

- (6)  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{GP}(\xi)$ -resolution of length  $\leq n$ .
- (7)  $M$  has a  $\mathcal{GP}(\xi)$ -approximation,  $K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{P}(\xi)}(K) \leq n - 1$ .
- (8)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+j}(M, W) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $W \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$ .
- (9)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+j}(M, N) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $N$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{P}(\xi)}(N) < \infty$ .
- (10)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+1}(M, N) = 0$  for all  $N$  with  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{P}(\xi)}(N) < \infty$ .

**Proposition 5.2** For any object  $M$  with  $\xi\text{-Gid}(M) < \infty$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\xi\text{-Gid}(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (4) For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ .
- (5) For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ .
- (6)  $M$  has a proper  $\mathcal{GI}(\xi)$ -resolution of length  $\leq n$ .
- (7)  $M$  has a  $\mathcal{GI}(\xi)$ -approximation,  $M \rightarrow G \rightarrow K \rightarrow \Sigma K$  with  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{I}(\xi)}(K) \leq n - 1$ .
- (8)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+j}(W, M) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $W \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ .
- (9)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+j}(N, M) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$  and all  $N$  with  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{I}(\xi)}(N) < \infty$ .
- (10)  $\xi x t_{\xi}^{n+1}(N, M) = 0$  for all  $N$  with  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{I}(\xi)}(N) < \infty$ .

**Proposition 5.3** For any object  $M$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\text{resdim}_{\mathcal{GI}(\xi)}(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .
- (4) For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ .
- (5) For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $A_k \in \mathcal{GI}(\xi)$  and other  $A_i \in \mathcal{I}(\xi)$ .

**Proposition 5.4** For any object  $M$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and any positive integer  $n$ , the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\text{coresdim}_{\mathcal{GP}(\xi)}(M) \leq n$ ;
- (2) For some integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .

(3) For any integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  if  $0 \leq i < k$  and  $P_j \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$  if  $j \geq k$ .

(4) For some integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$ .

(5) For any integer  $k$  with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , there is a  $\xi$ -exact complex  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$  such that  $P_k \in \mathcal{GP}(\xi)$  and other  $P_i \in \mathcal{P}(\xi)$ .

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