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Author yshen (21076) Entry type Definition Classification msc 13H15 Let (R, \mathfrak{m}) be a Noetherian local ring with proper ideal I. Define

$$j(I) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(d-1)!}{n^{d-1}} \operatorname{length}_R(H^0_{\mathfrak{m}}(I^n/I^{n+1}))$$

and call it the j-multiplicity of I. Here $H^0_{\mathfrak{m}}(\bullet)$ is the 0-th local cohomology functor. When I is \mathfrak{m} -primary, it is same as the Hilbert-Samuel multiplicity $e_I(R)$.