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1003-14-795      **Josep Àlvarez Montaner** and **Anton Leykin\*** (leykin@math.uic.edu), 322 SEO, 851  
S.Morgan st, Chicago, IL 60607. *On computing the characteristic cycles of localizations.*

For a polynomial ring  $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , we present an algorithm for computing the characteristic cycle of the localization  $R_f = R[f^{-1}]$  for any polynomial  $f \in R$ . Working in the (commutative) polynomial ring in  $2n$  variables, our method avoids the direct computation of  $R_f$ , which involves the (noncommutative) Weyl algebra.

In certain cases, the knowledge of characteristic cycles of the localizations leads to information about the characteristic cycles of the local cohomology modules  $H_i^j(R)$ , therefore, answering questions about vanishing/non-vanishing of these modules. (Received September 29, 2004)