



Endomorphism Rings of Semi-Injective Coretractable Modules

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ABSTRACT

Let M be a semi-injective coretractable module with endomorphism ring S . . It is shown that if M is an UCC module and $J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$ for every $J \leq S_S$, then M is a lifting module if and only if S_S is extending.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Extending modules and lifting modules have been intensively studied throughout the last two decades, due to their important role played in ring and module theory. Recall that an R -module M is an *extending* module if for every submodule A of M there exists a direct summand B of M such that $A \leq_e B$ (Amini, 2009). A ring R is a right extending ring if R_R is an extending module. Dually, a module M is called a *lifting* module if, every submodule N of M can be written in the form $N = A \oplus D$ where A is a direct summand of M and $D \ll M$ (Clark, 2006). In this note, we find conditions under which the endomorphism ring of a lifting module to be extending.

Throughout this paper, R will denote an arbitrary associative ring with identity, M a unitary right R -module and $S = \text{End}_R(M)$ the ring of all R -endomorphisms of M . We will use the notation $N \leq_e M$ to indicate that N is essential in M (i.e., $N \cap L \neq 0 \forall 0 \neq L \leq M$); $N \ll M$ means that

N is small in M (i.e. $\forall L \triangleleft M, L + N \neq M$). For all $I \subseteq S$, the left and right annihilators of I in S are denoted by $\ell_S(I)$ and $r_S(I)$, respectively. We also denote $r_M(I) = \{x \in M \mid Ix = 0\}$, for $I \subseteq S$; $\ell_S(N) = \{\phi \in S \mid \phi(N) = 0\}$, for $N \subseteq M$.

An R -module M is called *semi-injective* if for any $f \in S$, $Sf = \ell_S(\ker(f)) = \ell_S(r_M(f))$ (equivalently, for any monomorphism $f: N \rightarrow M$, where N is a factor module of M , and for any homomorphism $g: N \rightarrow M$, there exists $h: M \rightarrow M$ such that $hf = g$) (Wisbauer, 1999). Clearly every quasi-injective module is semi-injective. Let M be a module and $B \leq A \leq M$. If $A/B \ll M/B$, then B is called a *cosmall* submodule of A in M (denoted by $B \xrightarrow{cs} A$). Recall that a submodule A of M is called *coclosed* if A has no proper cosmall submodule. A *coclosure* of a submodule B of M is a cosmall submodule of B in M which is also a coclosed submodule of M . A module M is called a *unique coclosure module* (denoted by UCC module) if every submodule N of M has a unique coclosure, \overline{N} , in M .

Following Khuri, 1979 an R -module M is called *retractable* if $\text{Hom}_R(M, N) \neq 0$ for any nonzero submodule N of M . This notion has been studied by some authors from various point of view. Significance of the notion has appeared in connection with study of Baer modules (Rizvi and Roman, 2004; 2007; 2009), endomorphism rings of nonsingular modules (Khuri, 1979; 1991; 2000), lattices of modules (Zhou, 1999) and semi-projective modules (Haghany and Vedadi, 2007). Dually, an R -module M is called *coretractable* if, for any proper submodule K of M , there exists a nonzero homomorphism $f: M \rightarrow M$ with $f(K) = 0$, that is, $\text{Hom}_R(M/K, M) \neq 0$ (Clark et al., 2006).

2. MAIN RESULTS

The following proposition give a characterization of a coretractable module in terms of its endomorphism ring.

Proposition 2.1. *For a right R -module M , the following are equivalent:*

- (i) M is coretractable;
- (ii) For $K \leq N \leq M$, $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K) \Rightarrow K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M ;
- (iii) For any $K \langle M$, $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(K)) \mathfrak{A}$ in M .

Proof.

(i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let M be a coretractable module and $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$ for $K \leq N \leq M$. Suppose that $N/K + L/K = M/K$, where $K \leq L \leq M$. If $L \neq M$, then, by hypothesis, there exists $0 \neq f \in S$ with $f(L) = 0$. Thus $f(K) = 0$ and so $0 \neq f \in \ell_S(K)$. As $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$, there exists $g \in S$ such that $0 \neq gf \in \ell_S(N)$. Hence $gf(M) = gf(N + L) = 0$, which is a contradiction. Therefore $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M .

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Let K be a proper submodule of M . Since $\ell_S(r_M(\ell_S(K))) = \ell_S(K)$, by (ii), we have $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(K))$ in M .

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) [1, Lemma 4.1].

Theorem 2.2. *Let M be a semi-injective coretractable module. Then:*

For $K \leq N \leq M$, $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M if and only if $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$.

Proof. By Proposition 2.1 we only need to prove one direction. Let $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M . Assume that $Sf \cap \ell_S(N) = 0$ for $f \in \ell_S(K)$. Since M is semi-injective, $0 = Sf \cap \ell_S(N) = \ell_S(\ker f) \cap \ell_S(N) = \ell_S(\ker f + N)$. As M is coretractable, $\ker f + N = M$. Since $f \in \ell_S(K)$, $K \subseteq \ker f$. Thus $N/K + \ker f/K = M/K$. But $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M and so $\ker f = M$. Therefore $f = 0$. Hence $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$.

Consider the following two properties:

- (P1) For $K \leq N \leq M$, $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M if and only if $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$.

(P2) For $I \leq J \leq S$, $I \leq_e J$ if and only if $r_M(J) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(I)$ in M .

If M is a semi-injective coretractable module, then M has the property (P1) (Theorem 2.2) and that M has the property (P2) if and only if $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I))$ for any right ideal I of S (Corollary 2.4).

The following theorem gives the relationship between properties (P1) and (P2).

Theorem 2.3. *Let M be an R -module with $S = \text{End}_R(M)$. Then:*

- (i) Given (P1), then (P2) holds if and only if $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I))$ for each $I \leq S_S$.
- (ii) Given (P2), then (P1) holds if and only if $N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M for each $N \leq M$.

Proof.

- (i) Let (P1) be given. Assume that (P2) holds and let $I \leq S_S$. Since $r_M(\ell_S(r_M(I))) = r_M(I)$, $r_M(\ell_S(r_M(I))) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(I)$ in M . By (P2), $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I))$. Conversely, let $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I))$ for each $I \leq S_S$. To prove (P2), suppose first that $I \leq_e J$. Then $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I)) \subseteq \ell_S(r_M(J))$ and $I \leq_e J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$.

Therefore $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$. Hence $\ell_S(r_M(I)) \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$. By (P1), $r_M(J) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(I)$ in M . For the other direction of (P2), let $r_M(J) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(I)$ in M , where $I \leq J \leq S$. Using (P1), $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I)) \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$. Hence $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$. As $I \subseteq J \subseteq \ell_S(r_M(J))$, $I \leq_e J$.

- (ii) Let (P2) be given. If (P1) holds, then by Proposition 2.1, $N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M for every submodule N of M . Conversely, suppose that $N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M for every $N \leq M$. To prove (P1), assume first that $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M .

Then $\ell_S(N) \subseteq \ell_S(K)$, $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(K)) \subseteq r_M(\ell_S(N))$ and $K \xrightarrow{cs} N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M . Therefore $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ and so $r_M(\ell_S(K)) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M .

By (P2), $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$. For the other direction of (P1), suppose that $\ell_S(N) \leq_e \ell_S(K)$, with $K \leq N \leq M$. By using (P2), $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(K)) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M , hence $K \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M . But $K \subseteq N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$, thus $K \xrightarrow{cs} N$ in M .

Corollary 2.4. *Let M be a semi-injective coretractable module. Then (P2) holds if and only if $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I))$ for each $I \leq S_S$.*

Set $\mathbf{C}(M) = \{N \leq M \mid N \text{ is a coclosed submodule of } M\}$ and $\mathbf{C}(S) = \{I \leq S_S \mid I \text{ is a closed right ideal of } S\}$.

Theorem 2.5. *Let M be a semi-injective coretractable UCC module. Then the maps $N \rightarrow \ell_S(N)$ and $I \rightarrow \overline{r_M(I)}$ determine an order-preserving bijection between $\mathbf{C}(M)$ and $\mathbf{C}(S)$ if and only if $J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$ for every $J \leq S_S$.*

Proof. Let $J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$ for every $J \leq S_S$. By Corollary 2.4, property (P2) holds and by Theorem 2.2, property (P1) holds. Let $N \in \mathbf{C}(M)$ and $\ell_S(N) \leq_e J$. By Zorn's Lemma, we may assume that $J \in \mathbf{C}(S)$. By property (P2), $r_M(J) \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M . As M is coretractable, $N \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(\ell_S(N))$ in M (Proposition 2.1). Therefore $N = \overline{r_M(\ell_S(N))} = \overline{r_M(J)}$. Thus $N \subseteq r_M(J)$ and so $J \subseteq \ell_S(N)$. Then $\ell_S(N) = J$, that is ℓ_S maps $N \in \mathbf{C}(M)$ to $\ell_S(N) \in \mathbf{C}(S)$.

Let $I \in \mathbf{C}(S)$. By (P1), $\overline{r_M(I)} \xrightarrow{cs} r_M(I)$ in M implies that $\ell_S(r_M(I)) \leq_e \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)})$. Since $I \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(I)) \leq_e \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)})$ and $I \in \mathbf{C}(S)$, $I = \ell_S(r_M(I)) = \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)})$.

We have: $N \in \mathbf{C}(M) \rightarrow \ell_S(N) \in \mathbf{C}(S) \rightarrow \overline{r_M(\ell_S(N))} = N$, and $I \in \mathbf{C}(S) \rightarrow \overline{r_M(I)} \in \mathbf{C}(M) \rightarrow \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)}) = I$. Therefore the two order-preserving maps are inverses of each other and so determine an order-preserving bijection between $\mathbf{C}(M)$ and $\mathbf{C}(S)$.

Conversely, let the map $N \rightarrow \ell_S(N)$ and $I \rightarrow \overline{r_M(I)}$ determine an order-preserving bijection between $\mathbf{C}(M)$ and $\mathbf{C}(S)$. If $I \in \mathbf{C}(S)$, then $I = \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)})$. Since $I \leq \ell_S(r_M(I)) \leq \ell_S(\overline{r_M(I)})$, $I = \ell_S(r_M(I))$. Let J be any right ideal in S . There is $H \in \mathbf{C}(S)$ such that $J \leq_e H$. We have $H = \ell_S(r_M(H))$, $r_M(H) \subseteq r_M(J)$ and $J \subseteq \ell_S(r_M(J)) \subseteq \ell_S(r_M(H)) = H$. Then $J \leq_e H$ implies that $J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$.

Corollary 2.6. *Let M be a semi-injective coretractable UCC module and $J \leq_e \ell_S(r_M(J))$ for every $J \leq S_S$. Then M is a lifting module if and only if S_S is extending.*

3. CONCLUSION

The purpose of the current study was to find conditions under which the endomorphism ring of a semi-injective coretractable lifting module to be extending.

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