# DIRECT SUMS OF RELATIVE (QUASI-) CONTINUOUS MODULES

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#### Abstract

In [4], relative (quasi-)continuous modules are introduced, and several fundamental results are given. In the present paper, we shall give necessary and sufficient conditions for direct sums of relative (quasi-) continuous modules to be relative (quasi-) continuous modules.

#### **Preliminaries**

Throughout this paper, R denotes a ring with identity and all R-modules are unitary right R-modules. For two R-modules X and Y with  $X \subseteq Y$ ,  $X \subseteq_e Y$  means that X is an essential submodule of Y.

Let N and M be R-modules. By  $\mathcal{A}(N,M)$ , we denote the family of all submodule A of M such that  $f(X) \subseteq_e A$  for some  $X \subseteq N$  and some f in  $Hom_R(X,M)$ . It is easy to see that this family  $\mathcal{A}(N,M)$  is closed under submodules, essential extensions and isomorphic images.

**Definition 1** For A(N, M), we consider the following conditions:

- (C<sub>1</sub>) For any  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N, M)$ , there exists a direct summand  $A^* <_{\oplus} M$  such that  $A \subseteq_e A^*$ 
  - $(C_2)$  For any  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N,M)$  and  $X <_{\oplus} M$ ,  $A \simeq X$  implies  $A <_{\oplus} M$
- (C<sub>3</sub>) For any  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N,M)$  and  $X <_{\oplus} M$ , if  $A <_{\oplus} M$  and  $A \cap X = 0$  then  $A \oplus X <_{\oplus} M$

M is said to be N-continuous if  $(C_1)$  and  $(C_2)$  hold, and is said to be N-quasi-continuous if  $(C_1)$  and  $(C_3)$  hold. Furthermore, M is said to be N-CS if

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 $(C_1)$  holds. We note that these modules are closed under direct summands (cf.[3]).

For R-modules  $M = \bigoplus_{I} M_{I}$  and X, we use the following conditions:

- (A) For every choice of distinct  $k_i \in I$  and  $m_i \in M_{k_i}$ , if the sequence  $(0:m_i)$  is ascending then it becomes stationary.
- (B) For any choice of  $m_i \in M_{k_i}$   $(i \in \mathbb{N})$  for distinct  $k_i \in I$  such that  $(0: x) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (0: m_i)$  for some  $x \in X$ , the ascending sequence  $\bigcap_{i \geq n} (0: m_i)$   $(n \in \mathbb{N})$  becomes stationary.
- (C) For any  $x \in X$  and for every choice of distinct  $k_i \in I$  and  $m_i \in M_{k_i}$ , with  $(0:x) \subseteq (0:m_i)$ , if the sequence  $(0:m_i)$  is ascending, then it becomes stationary.

For these conditions, the reader is referred to [2, page4]. We note that (B) implies (C).

**Lemma 1** (cf.[1]) For R-modules X and  $\{M_i\}_I$ , the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\bigoplus$   $M_i$  is X-injective;
- (2) (a) each  $M_i$  is X-injective
  - (b) the condition (B) holds for X and  $\{M_i\}_I$ .

So, in this case (C) holds.

**Lemma 2** (cf.[4]) For an N-(quasi-)continuous module M, the following hold:

- (1) Any direct summand of M is N-(quasi-)continuous.
- (2) For any  $X <_{\oplus} M$  and  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N,M)$  with  $X \cap A = 0$ , X is A-injective.
- (3) For any  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}(N, M)$  with  $A \cap B = 0$  if  $A <_{\oplus} M$  and  $A \simeq B$  then  $B <_{\oplus} M$ .

**Lemma 3** Consider two modules  $P = \sum \bigoplus_I T_i \oplus N$  and  $Q = \sum \bigoplus_I W_i \oplus N$  such that  $Q \subseteq_e P$ . If  $\sum \bigoplus_I T_i$  satisfies (A) and, for any finite subset  $F \subseteq I$ , if  $P = \sum \bigoplus_I W_i \oplus \bigoplus_{I = F} T_j \oplus N$  then P = Q.

**Proof** Assume that  $P \neq Q$ . Since  $\sum \bigoplus_{I} T_{i}$  satisfies (A), we can take a finite subset F of I and an element  $t \in \sum \bigoplus_{F} T_{i}$  such that  $t \notin Q$  and, for any  $j \in I - F$  and  $s \in T_{j}$ , if  $(0:t) \subsetneq (0:s)$  then  $s \in Q$ .

Since  $Q \subseteq_e P$ , we can take  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq tr \in Q$ . So there exists a finite subset  $S \subseteq I$  such that  $tr \in \bigoplus_G W_i \oplus N$ .

We take G as  $G \supseteq F$ . We express t in  $P = \bigoplus_{G} W_i \oplus \sum_{I-G} T_j \oplus N$  as t = w + s + n, where  $w \in \sum_{I-G} \oplus_{G} W_i$ ,  $s \in \bigoplus_{I-G} T_j$  and  $n \in N$ .

Since 
$$\bigoplus_{I-G} T_j \ni sr = tr - wr - nr \in \bigoplus_G W_i \oplus N$$
, we see  $sr = 0$ ;

so  $(0:t) \subsetneq (0:s)$ . This implies  $s \in Q$  and hence  $t=w+s+n \in Q$ , which is a contradiction. Hence P=Q.

By a slight modification, we quote [5, Lemma 2.1] as follows:

**Lemma 4** Let  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{I}$  be a family of N-CS-modules and let  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N, P = \bigoplus_{I} M_{\alpha})$ . Then there exists submodules  $T(i) \subseteq_{e} T(i)^{*} \subseteq \bigoplus_{I} M_{\alpha}$ , decompositions  $M_{\alpha} = T(i)^{*} \oplus N_{i}$  and a submodule  $\bigoplus_{I} A(i) \subseteq_{e} A$  for which the following properties hold:

(1) 
$$A(i) \subseteq T(i) \oplus \bigoplus_{I} N_i$$

(2) 
$$\sigma(A(i)) = T(i)$$
 and  $A(i) \stackrel{\sigma|A(i)}{\simeq} T(i)$  (by  $\sigma|A(i)$ ) for each  $i \in I$ , where  $\sigma$  is the projection :  $P = \bigoplus_{I} T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_{I} N_i \to \bigoplus_{I} T(i)^*$ .

So, 
$$T(i), T(i)^* \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_{\alpha})$$
 and  $A \stackrel{\sigma|A}{\simeq} \sigma(A) \subseteq_e \bigoplus_I T(i)^*$ .

### Theorems

We first show the following theorem which is a generalization of [2, Theorem 2.13].

**Theorem 1** Let  $\{M_i\}_I$  be a family of R-modules. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $P = \sum \bigoplus_{I} M_{i}$  is N-quasi-continuous;
- (2) (a) Each  $M_i$  is N-quasi-continuous;
  - (b)  $\bigoplus_{I-i} M_j$  is  $A_i$ -injective, for any  $i \in I$  and any  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$
- (3) (a) Each  $M_i$  is N-continuous;
  - (b) for any distinct  $i, j \in I$
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  - (b) for any distinct  $i, j \in I$  and  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M)$ ,  $M_j$  is  $A_i$ -injective
- (c) for any  $i \in I$  and  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$ , the condition(B) holds for  $(A_i, \bigoplus_{I=i}^{m} M_j)$ .

**Proof**  $(1)\Rightarrow(2)$  follows from Lemma 2.

- $(2)\Leftrightarrow(3)$  follows from Lemma 1.
- (2) $\Rightarrow$ (1). First we show that  $P = \sum \bigoplus_i M_i$  is N-CS. Let  $X \in \mathcal{A}(N, M)$ . By Lemma 4, we have submodules  $T(i) \subseteq_e T(i)^* <_{\oplus} M_i$ , decompositions  $M_i = T(i)^* \oplus N_i$  and a submodule  $\bigoplus_i X_i \subseteq_e X$  such that, for each  $i \in I$ ,
  - (i)  $\sigma(X_i) = T(i)$
  - (ii)  $X_i \simeq T(i)$  (by  $\sigma|X_i$ ),

where  $\sigma$  is the projection:  $P = \bigoplus_{I} T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_{I} N_i \to \bigoplus_{I} T(i)^*$ . So, we see

(iii) 
$$X \stackrel{\sigma|X}{\simeq} \sigma(X) \subseteq_e \bigoplus_I T(i)^*$$

Since  $X \in \mathcal{A}(N, P)$ , we see that  $X_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$ , whence  $T(i)^* \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ . So, by(b)  $\bigoplus_{I-i} N_j$  is  $T(i)^*$ -injective for each  $i \in I$ . On the other hand, by(a),  $N_i$  is  $T(i)^*$ -injective. Hence  $\bigoplus_I N_i$  is  $T(i)^*$ -injective for each  $i \in I$ .

Now, by(iii), the mapping  $\varphi : \sigma(X) \to \bigoplus_I N_i$  given by  $\varphi(\sigma(x)) = \tau(x)$  is a homomorphisms, where  $\tau$  is the projection:  $P = \bigoplus_I T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_I N_i \to \bigoplus_I N_i$ .

Since  $\bigoplus_I N_i$  is  $\bigoplus_I T(i)^*$ -injective,  $\varphi$  can be extended to a homomorphism  $\varphi^*: \bigoplus_I T(i)^* \to \bigoplus_I N_i$ . We put  $X^* = \{x + \varphi^*(x) | x \in \bigoplus_I T(i)^*\}.$ 

Then  $P = X^* \oplus \bigoplus_I N_i$  and moreover we see from  $X \stackrel{\sigma|X}{\simeq} \sigma(X) \subseteq_e \bigoplus_I T(i)^*$  that  $X \subseteq_e X^*$ . Accordingly, P is N-CS. Here we note that if  $X <_{\oplus} P$ , and moreover  $\bigoplus_i N_i$  is X-injective.

Next we will show that  $P = \bigoplus_i M_i$  satisfies  $(C_3)$  for N.

Let  $A \in \mathcal{A}(N,P)$  and  $X \subseteq P$ , and assume that both A and X are direct summands with  $A \cap X = 0$ ; Put  $P = X \oplus Q = Y \oplus A$  and let  $\pi_Q$  and  $\pi_X$  be the projections:  $P = X \oplus Q \to X$ , respectively. Since  $X \cap A = 0$ ,  $A \simeq \pi_Q(A)$  by  $\pi_Q|A$ . Since Q is N - CS and  $\pi_Q(A) \in \mathcal{A}(N,P)$ , there exists a direct summand  $\pi_Q(A)^* <_{\oplus} Q$  such that  $\pi_Q(A) \subseteq_e \pi_Q(A)^*$ . Since  $\pi_Q(A)^* <_{\oplus} P$ , as we noted above,  $P = \pi_Q(A)^* \oplus_f N_i$  for some  $N_i <_{\oplus} M_i$  and  $\bigcap_I N_i$  is  $\pi_Q(A)^*$ -injective.

Since  $X \cap \pi_Q(A)^* = 0$ , X is isomorphic to a submodule of  $\bigoplus_I N_i$ . Hence X is  $\pi_Q(A)^*$ -injective. Here consider the mapping  $\varphi : \pi_Q(A) \to X$  given by  $\varphi(\pi_Q(a)) = \pi_X(a)$ . Then  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. So  $\varphi$  can be extended to a homomorphism  $\varphi^* : \pi_Q(A)^* \to X$ .

Putting  $A^* = \{q + \varphi^*(q) | q \in \pi_Q(A)^*\}$ , we see that  $X \oplus A^* <_{\oplus} P$  and  $A \subseteq_e A^*$ . Since  $A <_{\oplus} P$ , it follows  $A = A^*$  and hence  $X \oplus A <_{\oplus} P$  as required.

We generalize [2, Theorem 3.16] as follows:

**Theorem 2** Let  $\{M_i\}_I$  be a family of R-modules. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $P = \bigoplus_{i} M_i$  is N-continuous;
- (2) (a) Each  $M_i$  is N-continuous;
  - (b)  $\bigoplus_{I-\{i\}} M_j$  is  $A_i$ -injective, for any  $i \in I$  and any  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$
- (3) (a) Each  $M_i$  is N-continuous;
  - (b) for any distinct  $i, j \in I$  and  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}(N, M_i)$ ,  $M_j$  is  $A_i$ -injective
  - (c) for any  $i \in I$  and  $A_i \in A(N, M_i)$ , the condition(B) holds for

$$(A_i, P = \bigoplus_{I - \{i\}} M_j).$$

**Proof** As in the proof of Theorem 1, we may only show that  $P = \bigoplus_i M_i$  satisfies

 $(C_2)$  for  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}(N, P)$ . So, let  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $A <_{\oplus} P$  and  $A \stackrel{\tau}{\simeq} B$ .

By Lemma 4, there exist submodules  $T(i) \subseteq_e T(i)^* <_{\oplus} M_i$ , decompositions  $M_i = T(i)^* \oplus N_i$  and a submodule  $\bigoplus_I B(i) \subseteq_e B$  such that, for each  $i \in I$ , (i)  $\sigma(B(i)) = T(i)$ 

(ii)  $B(i) \simeq T(i)$  (by  $\sigma|B(i)$ ),

where  $\sigma$  is the projection:  $P = \bigoplus_{I} T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_{I} N_i \to \bigoplus_{I} N_i$ .

Put  $A(i) = \tau^{-1}(B(i))$  for each  $i \in I$ . Since A is CS, for each  $i \in I$ , there exists direct summand  $A(i)^* <_{\oplus} A$  such that  $A(i) \subseteq_e A(i)^*$ .

Let fix  $i_0 \in I$ . By the proof of Theorem 1, there exist direct summands  $K_j <_{\oplus} M_j$  such that  $A(i_0)^*$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_I K_j$ ; say  $A(i_0)^* \stackrel{\varphi}{\simeq} \bigoplus_I k_j$ .

Now put  $B(i_0)^* = \tau(A(i_0^*))$ . Then  $B(i_0) \subseteq_e B(i_0)^*$  and  $B(i_0)^* \stackrel{\sigma|B(i_0)^*}{\simeq} \sigma(B(i_0^*)) \subseteq_e T(i_0)^*$ . Since  $\bigoplus_{I-i_0} M_j \oplus_{>} \bigoplus_{I-i_0} k_j \simeq \tau \varphi(\bigoplus_{I-i_0} K_j)$  (by  $\tau \varphi | \bigoplus_{I-i_0} K_j$ ) and  $\tau \varphi(\bigoplus_{I-i_0} K_j) \subseteq T(i_0^*) <_{\oplus} M_{i_0}$ , we see from (b) that  $\tau \varphi(\bigoplus_{I-i_0} K_j) <_{\oplus} T(i_0)^*$ .

On the other hand,  $\tau \varphi(K_{i_0}) <_{\oplus} T(I_0)^*$  by (a). As a result we see that  $T(i_0) \subseteq_e \tau \varphi(\bigoplus_I K_i) <_{\oplus} T(I_0)^*$ ; whence  $\tau \varphi(\bigoplus_I K_i) = \sigma(B(i_0)^*) = T(i_0)^*$ . Thus we have  $P = B(i_0)^* \oplus \bigoplus_{I=i_0} T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_I N_i$ 

Inductively, we see that, for any finite subset F of I,  $P = \bigoplus_F B(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_{I-F} T(i)^* \oplus \bigoplus_I N_i$ .

Here using Lemma 3 we get  $P=\bigoplus_I B(i)^*\oplus\bigoplus_I N_i$  and hence  $B=\bigoplus_I B(i)^*<_\oplus P.$ 

This completes the proof.

### Remarks

**Remark 1** In Theorem 1,  $\bigoplus_{F} M_i$  is N-quasi-continuous for any finite subset F of I if and only if (a), (b) hold.

**Remark 2** In Theorem 2,  $\bigoplus_{F} M_i$  is N-continuous if and only if (a), (b) hold (See [4]).

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