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Extending property on *EC*-Fully Submodules

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Abstract

There are several generalizations of CS-modules in literature. One of the generalization is based on fully invariant submodules. Recall that a module M is called FI-extending if every fully invariant submodule is essential in a direct summand. We call a module EFI-extending if every fully invariant submodule which contains essentially a cyclic submodule is essential in a direct summand. Initially we obtain basic properties in the general module setting. For example, a direct sum of EFI-extending modules is EFI-extending. Again, like the FI-extending property, the EFI-extending property is shown to carry over to matrix rings.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, the theory of extending modules and rings and their generalizations has come to play an important role in the theory of rings and modules. Recall that a module M is called an *extending* (or *CS*) module if every submodule of Mis essential in a direct summand of M (see [4], [9] or [10]).

One of the extremely useful generalization of *CS* concept is *FI*-extending property (see [1] or [2]). Recall a module M is called *FI*-extending if every fully invariant submodule of M is essential in a direct summand. Following [3] and [5], by an *ec*-fully submodule N of a module M, we mean a fully invariant submodule N which contains essentially a cyclic submodule i.e., there exists an element x in N such that xR is essential in N.

In this paper, we are concerned with the study of modules M that every *ec*-fully submodule is essential in a direct summand of M. We call such a module as *EFI-extending*. Moreover, a ring R is

called right *EFI*-extending ring if R_R is an *EFI*extending module. Clearly the notion of an *EFI*extending module generalizes that of a *FI*extending module by requiring that only every *ec*fully submodule is essential in a direct summand rather than every fully invariant submodule.

In Section 2, we provide basic properties of *ec*-fully submodules. After defining *EFI*-extending modules, in Section 3 we prove basic results and properties of *EFI*-extending modules. It is shown that any direct sum of *EFI*-extending modules is *EFI*-extending and that the *EFI*-extending property of a ring *R* carries over to the full matrix ring $M_n(R)$, $n \ge 1$.

Throughout this paper, all rings are associative with unity and R denotes such a ring. All modules are unital right R-modules.

Recall that a submodule *X* of *M* is called *fully invariant* if for every $\alpha \in End_R(M)$, $\alpha(X) \subseteq X$. If *M* is an *R*-module and $A \subseteq M$, then we use $A \leq M$, $A \leq_e M, A \subseteq M, A \subseteq_{ec} M$, and E(M) to denote that *A* is a submodule, essential submodule, fully

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invariant submodule, ec-fully submodule, and the injective hull of M, respectively.

Moreover $M_n(R)$ denotes the full ring of *n*-by-*n* matrices over *R*. For other terminology and notation, we refer to [2], [4], [7] and [10].

2. EC-FULLY SUBMODULES

Since *ec*-fully submodules are building bricks to the establishment of *EFI*-extending notion; first, we deal with this kind of submodules. To this end, we begin this section by recording some basic facts about them.

2.1. Lemma.

Let *M* be a module.

- (i) If $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} Y$ and $Y \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$ then $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$.
- (ii) If $M = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} X_i$ and $S \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$, then $S = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} \pi_i(S) = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} (S \cap X_i)$, where π_i is the *i*th-projection homomorphism of M.

Proof. The proof is routine.

The class of ec-fully submodules is properly contained in the class of fully invariant submodules. Next example provides a fully invariant submodule which is not ec-fully submodule. For details on this example, we refer to [8] or [10].

2.2. Example.

Let \mathbb{R} be the real field and *S* the polynomial ring $\mathbb{R}[x, y, z]$. Then the ring $R = \frac{S}{SS}$, where $s = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1$, is a commutative Noetherian domain. The free *R*-module $M = R \oplus R \oplus R$ contains an indecomposable submodule X_R of uniform dimension 2.

Now, let us build up the trivial extension of R with X_R i.e., let

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} R & X \\ 0 & R \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} r & x \\ 0 & r \end{bmatrix} : r \in R, x \in X \right\}.$$

Then $N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq T_T$ but *N* is not *ec*-fully submodule of T_T .

Proof. It is easy to check that *R* is a commutative Noetherian domain. Let $\phi: M \to R$ be the homomorphism defined by $\phi(a + Ss, b + Ss, c + Ss) = ax + by + cz + Ss$ for all $a, b, c \in S$. Clearly, ϕ is an epimorphism, and hence, its kernel *X* is a direct summand of *M*, i.e., $M = X \bigoplus X'$ for some submodule $X' \cong R$. Observe that *R* is uniform i.e., X' has uniform dimension 1 and hence X_R has uniform dimension 2.

Note that X is the R-module of regular sections of tangent bundle of the 2-sphere S^2 . the Furthermore, a celebrated result in differential geometry yields that X_R is an indecomposable module. Now the trivial extension of R with X_R i.e., $T = \begin{bmatrix} R & X \\ 0 & R \end{bmatrix}$ is a commutative ring and hence $N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a fully invariant submodule of T. Assume that N contains essentially a cyclic submodule, say $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} T$, where $x \in X$. Thus xRis essential in X_R . It follows that xR has uniform dimension 2. However, this is impossible, because the mapping $\alpha: xR \to R$, defined by $\alpha(xr) = r$, where $r \in R$, is an *R*-isomorphism. Thus *xR* has uniform dimension 1. Therefore N does not contain essentially a cyclic submodule. Hence N is not *ec*-fully submodule of T_T .

Notice that the rank of free *R*-module *M* in the previous example can be replaced by any odd integer n > 3 (see [8]). There are more examples in this trend. We refer reader to look at [6] for the construction of this kind of examples. Following easy lemma shows that certain fully invariant submodules are *ec*-fully submodules.

2.3. Lemma.

Let M be a module which contains essentially a cyclic submodule. If K is a fully invariant direct summand of M, then K is an *ec*-fully submodule of M.

Proof. Suppose Y = xR is an essential submodule of M, where $x \in M$. Let $\pi: M \to K$ be the canonical projection map. Then $xR \cap K = Y \cap$ $K \le \pi(Y) = \pi(x)R \le K$. Since xR is essential in M then $xR \cap K$ is essential in K. It follows that $\pi(x)R$ is essential in K. Hence K is an *ec*-fully submodule of M. It is natural to think of which modules (even rings) have the property that every *ec*-fully submodule is a direct summand. Next result provides a class of rings which satisfy the aforementioned property. First, recall the following module condition:

 C_2 : If $X \le M$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of M, then X is a direct summand of M (see [4] or [10]).

It is well-known that (von Neumann) regular rings satisfy the C_2 condition (see, for example [7]).

2.4. Proposition.

Let R be a (von Neumann) regular ring. Then an *ec*-fully submodule of R-module R is a direct summand.

Proof. Let *I* be an *ec*-fully submodule of R_R . Then there exists $x \in I$ such that xR is essential in *I*. By assumption, xR is a direct summand of R_R . Thus $R_R = xR \bigoplus L$ for some $L \leq R_R$. Now $xR \cap L$ is essential in $I \cap L$ which yields that $I \cap L = 0$. Therefore $R = xR \bigoplus L = I \bigoplus L$. It follows that $I \cong xR$. Since R_R has C_2 condition, *I* is a direct summand of R_R as required.

3. *EFI*-EXTENDING MODULES

In this section, we define and obtain basic properties of *EFI*-extending modules. Let us start by mentioning the definition of this new class of modules.

3.1. Definition

A module M is called *EFI-extending* if every *ec*-fully submodule of M is essential in a direct summand of M.

Obviously *FI*-extending modules (and hence extending modules) are *EFI*-extending modules. Moreover, (von Neumann) regular rings enjoy with the *EFI*-extending property. On the other hand, the ring of integers is an *EFI*-extending ring which is not regular. One might expect that whether *EFI*-extending property implies *FI*-extending or not? However, the following examples show that the class of *FI*-extending modules are properly contained in the class of *EFI*-extending modules.

3.2. Example

Let *F* be any field and let $F_i = F$, $i \in \Lambda$, where Λ is infinite. Define $R = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} F_i + F1$, which is an *F*-subalgebra of $\prod_{i \in \Lambda} F_i$, where 1 is the identity of $\prod_{i \in \Lambda} F_i$. It is known that *R* is a regular (and hence *EFI*-extending ring by Proposition 2.4) ring which is not *FI*-extending (see [2, Ex. 2.3.32]).

3.3. Example [7, Ex. 7.54]

Let *F* be a field, and let $A = F \times F \times \cdots$. So this ring is commutative. Now, let *R* be the subring of *A* consisting of sequences $(a_1, a_2, ...) \in A$ that are eventually constant. For any $(a_1, a_2, ...) \in R$, define $x = (x_1, x_2, ...)$ by; $x_n = a_n^{-1}$ if $a_n \neq 0$, and $x_n = 0$ if $a_n = 0$. Then $x \in R$ and a = axa. Therefore, *R* is (von Neumann) regular. By Proposition 2.4, *R* is *EFI*-extending. Note that *R* is not a Baer ring. Hence *R* is not an *FI*-extending ring by [1, Theorem 4.7(iii)].

It is an open problem to determine if a direct summand of an *FI*-extending (or, also *EFI*-extending) module is always *FI*-extending (*EFI*-extending) (see [1]). The following result is in related with the *EFI*-extending version of the aforementioned problem.

3.4. Proposition

Let *M* be a module and $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. If *M* is *EFI*-extending, then *X* is *EFI*-extending.

Proof. Assume *M* is *EFI*-extending module. Let $S \trianglelefteq_{ec} X$. By Lemma 2.1 (i), $S \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. Hence there exists a direct summand *D* of *M* such that $S \leq_e D$. Let $\pi: M \to D$ be the canonical projection endomorphism. Then $S = \pi(S) \leq \pi(X) \cap D = \pi(X)$. Hence $S \leq_e \pi(X)$ and $\pi(X)$ is a direct summand of *X*.

Next result deals with characterization of EFIextending modules in terms of endomorphisms of injective hulls of the modules and complements of ec-fully submodules. To this end, the proof of the next theorem is based on the proof of the corresponding result for FI-extending modules (see [2, Proposition 2.3.2]).

3.5. Theorem

Let M be a module. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) *M* is *EFI*-extending
- (ii) For $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$, there is $e^2 = e \in End(E(M))$ such that $X \le_e eE(M)$ and $eM \le M$.
- (iii) Each $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$ has a complement which is a direct summand.

Proof. (*i*) \Rightarrow (*ii*). Assume that $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. Then there is $f^2 = f \in End(M)$ such that $X \leq_e fM$. Let $e: E(M) \rightarrow E(fM)$ be the canonical projection. Then we see that $X \leq_e eE(M)$ and $eM = fM \leq M$.

 $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$. Let $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. Then there exists $e^2 = e \in End(E(M))$ such that $X \le_e eE(M)$ and $eM \le M$. Now, let us put $c = (1 - e)|_M$. Then $c^2 = c \in End(M)$. We show that cM is a complement of X. For this, first note that $cM \cap X = 0$ as cM = (1 - e)M. Say $K \le M$ such that $cM = (1 - e)M \le K$ and $K \cap X = 0$. From $M = (1 - e)M \bigoplus eM, K = (1 - e)M \bigoplus (K \cap eM)$ by the modular law. As $K \cap X = 0$ and $X \le_e eE(M)$, $K \cap eE(M) = 0$ and so $K \cap eM = 0$. Thus, we get that K = (1 - e)M, then K = cM. Therefore cM is a complement of X.

(*iii*) \Rightarrow (*i*). Let $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. There exists $g^2 = g \in End(M)$ so that gM is a complement of X. As $X \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$, $gX \le X \cap gM = 0$. Hence X = (1 - g)X. To show that M is EFI-extending, we claim that $X \le_e (1 - g)M$. For this, assume that $K \le (1 - g)M$ such that $X \cap K = 0$. Then note that $gM \cap K = 0$. Take $gm + k = n \in (gM \bigoplus K) \cap X$ with $m \in M$, $k \in K$, and $n \in X$. Then (1 - g)gm + (1 - g)k = (1 - g)n, so $k = n \in X \cap K$ because $K \le (1 - g)M$ and X = (1 - g)X. Now as $X \cap K = 0$, k = n = 0. Thus, $(gM \bigoplus K) \cap X = 0$. Since gM is a complement of X, $gM \bigoplus K = gM$ and so K = 0. Therefore, $X \le_e (1 - g)M$. It follows that M is EFI-extending.

It is well-known that a direct sum of *FI*-extending modules is also *FI*-extending module. Now, we intend to have the corresponding result for *EFI*-extending modules.

3.6. Theorem

Let $M = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} N_i$. If each N_i is an *EFI*-extending module, then *M* is an *EFI*-extending module.

Proof. Let $S \trianglelefteq_{ec} M$. By Lemma 2.1(ii), $S = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} (S \cap N_i)$, and $S \cap N_i \trianglelefteq N_i$ for each $i \in \Lambda$. Assume *S* contains essentially the cyclic submodule *xR*, where $x \in S$. Let $\pi: S \to S \cap N_i$ be the projection map. Then $xR \cap (S \cap N_i) \le \pi(xR) = \pi(x)R \le S \cap N_i$. Since $xR \le_e S$ then $xR \cap (S \cap N_i) \le_e S \cap N_i$. It follows that $\pi(x)R \le_e S \cap N_i$. Hence $S \cap N_i \trianglelefteq_{ec} N_i$ for each $i \in \Lambda$. As N_i is *EFI*-extending, there is a direct summand D_i of N_i with $S \cap N_i \le_e D_i$ for every $i \in \Lambda$. Thus $S = \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} (S \cap N_i) \le_e \bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} D_i$. Since $\bigoplus_{i \in \Lambda} D_i$ is a direct summand of M we have that M is an *EFI*-extending module.

3.7. Corollary

If M is a direct sum of FI-extending (e.g., extending) modules, then M is EFI-extending.

Proof. Immediate by Theorem 3.6.

Applying Theorem 3.6 to Abelian groups (i.e., Z-modules) we obtain the following corollary.

3.8. Corollary

Let *M* be a \mathbb{Z} -module. If *M* satisfies any of the following conditions, then *M* is an *EFI*-extending \mathbb{Z} -module.

- (i) *M* is finitely generated
- (ii) *M* is of bounded order (i.e., nM = 0 for some positive integer *n*)
- (iii) *M* is divisible.

Proof. (i) and (ii) M is a direct sum of uniform submodules. Then the result follows from Theorem 3.6.

(iii) *M* is extending and hence *FI*-extending. Thus *M* is *EFI*-extending.

Observe that an easy modification yields that the Corollary 3.8 above remains true when the ring of integers replaced with a Dedekind domain.

One more application of the Theorem 3.6 gives an affirmative answer for the direct summand

problem of *EFI*-extending Abelian groups which as follows.

3.9. Theorem

Let M be a direct sum of uniform \mathbb{Z} -modules. Then any direct summand of M is an *EFI*-extending module.

Proof. Let N be a direct summand of M. Then N is also a direct sum of uniform modules by [9, Theorem 4.45] (see, also [10]). Now, Theorem 3.6 gives that N is an *EFI*-extending module.

Our next objective is to carry over *EFI*-extending property to full matrix ring. First of all, we give an example of *EFI*-extending ring which shows that *EFI*-extending property is not left-right symmetric.

3.10. Example

Let $R = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{Z}_2 & \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ 0 & \mathbb{Z} \end{bmatrix}$. Then the ring *R* is right *EFI*-extending, but it is not left *EFI*-extending.

Proof. Note that *R* is right *FI*-extending by [2, Example 2.3.14]. Hence *R* is right *EFI*-extending ring. On the other hand, let $I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq_{ec} {}_{R}R$. It is easy to check that *I* is not essential in a direct summand of ${}_{R}R$. It follows that *R* is not left *EFI*-extending ring.

3.11. Theorem

Let R be a right EFI-extending ring. Then $M_n(R)$ is a right EFI-extending ring for all positive integer n.

Proof. Let $N \trianglelefteq_{ec} M_n(R)$. Then it is easy to see that $N = M_n(I)$ for some $I \trianglelefteq_{ec} R$. As R is right *EFI*-extending, there exists $e^2 = e \in R$ such that $I_R \trianglelefteq_e eR_R$. This yields that as a right ideal of $M_n(R)$, N is essential in a direct $(eI)M_n(R)$ of $M_n(R)$, where I is the identity matrix of $M_n(R)$. Thus $M_n(R)$ is right *EFI*-extending, as required.

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