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ON QUASI COMULTIPLICATION MODULES OVER PULLBACK RINGS

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ABSTRACT. We classify all indecomposable quasi comultiplication modules over pullback of two Dedekind domains. We extend the definitions and the results of comultiplication modules over pullback rings to a more general quasi comultiplication modules case.

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1. Introduction

One of the aims of the modern representation theory is to solve classification problems for subcategories of modules over a unitary ring R. We make the general point that over most rings it is impossible to classify all modules: even algebras of tame representation type typically are "wild" when their infinitely generated representations are considered. The reader is referred to [3], [24], [25, Chapter 1 and 6] and [26] for a detailed discussion of classification problems, their representation types (finite, tame, or wild), and useful computational reduction procedures. Pureinjective modules seem to form one of the classes of modules which arise in practice and where there is hope of some kind of classification. Pure-injective modules play a central role in the model theory of modules. Let R_i be a local Dedekind domain, \overline{R} be a common field and let $v_i : R_i \to \overline{R}$ be a homomorphism of R_i onto \overline{R} for both i = 1, 2. Denote the pullback $R = \{(r_1, r_2) \in R_1 \oplus R_2 : v_1(r_1) =$ $v_2(r_2)$ } by $(R_1 \xrightarrow{v_1} \bar{R} \xleftarrow{v_2} R_2)$, where $\bar{R} = R_1/J(R_1) = R_2/J(R_2)$. Then R is a ring under coordinate-wise multiplication. Denote the kernel of v_i , i = 1, 2, by P_i . Then $\operatorname{Ker}(R \to \overline{R}) = P = P_1 \times P_2$, $R/P \cong \overline{R} \cong R_1/P_1 \cong R_2/P_2$, and $P_1P_2 = P_2P_1 = 0$ (so R is not a domain). Furthermore, there is an exact sequence $0 \to P_i \to R \to R_j \to 0$ of *R*-modules (see [21]), for $i \neq j$. For such a pullback ring R, indecomposable pure-injective modules with finite-dimensional top (for any module M we define its top as M/rad(M) over R have already been classified by the first author [5]. Also, the classification of an arbitrary indecomposable pureinjective module over the \bar{R} -algebra $\bar{R}[x, y : xy = 0]_{(x,y)}$ which is the pullback $(\bar{R}[x]_{(x)} \to \bar{R} \leftarrow \bar{R}[y]_{(y)})$ (see [2, Section 6]) appears to be a very difficult problem. Therefore the classification of subclass of pure-injective modules over a pullback of two local Dedekind domains over a common factor field is very important. One point of this paper is to introduce a subclass of pure-injective modules over such rings. Indeed, this article includes the classification of all indecomposable quasi comultiplication modules over $\bar{R}[x, y : xy = 0]_{(x,y)}$.

Modules over pullback rings have been studied by several authors (see for example [4], [8], [9], [11], [12], [14], [15], [18], [19], [23] and [28]). Notably, there is the monumental work of Levy [22], resulting in the classification of all finitely generated indecomposable modules over Dedekind-like rings. Common to all these classification is the reduction to a "matrix problem" over a division ring (see [25, Section 17.9] for background on matrix problems and their applications).

In the present paper we introduce a new class of R-modules, called quasi comultiplication modules (see Definition 2.1), and we study them in detail from the classification point of view. We are mainly interested in the case where R is either a Dedekind domain or a pullback ring of two local Dedekind domains. The classification is divided into two stages: the description of all indecomposable separated quasi comultiplication R-modules and then, using this list of separated quasi comultiplication modules, we show that the only non-zero indecomposable quasi comultiplication non-separated R-module, up to isomorphism, is E(R/P), the Rinjective hull of R/P. For the sake of completeness, we state some definitions and notations used throughout. In this paper all rings are commutative with identity and all modules are unitary.

Definition 1.1. An *R*-module *S* is defined to be separated if there exist R_i -modules S_i , i = 1, 2, such that *S* is a submodule of $S_1 \oplus S_2$ (the latter is made into an *R*-module by setting $(r_1, r_2)(s_1, s_2) = (r_1s_1, r_2s_2)$).

Equivalently, S is separated if it is a pullback of an R_1 -module and an R_2 module and then, using the same notation for pullbacks of modules as for rings, $S = (S/P_2S \rightarrow S/PS \leftarrow S/P_1S)$ [21, Corollary 3.3] and $S \subseteq (S/P_2S) \oplus (S/P_1S)$. Also, we show S is separated if and only if $P_1S \cap P_2S = 0$ [21, Lemma 2.9].

If R is a pullback ring, then every R-module is an epimorphic image of a separated R-module, indeed every R-module has a "minimal" such representation: a separated representation of an R-module M is an epimorphism $\varphi = (S \xrightarrow{f} S' \to M)$ of R-modules where S is separated and, if φ admits a factorization $\varphi : S \xrightarrow{f} S' \to M$ with S' separated, then f is one-to-one. The module $K = \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ is an \overline{R} module, since $\overline{R} = R/P$ and PK = 0 [21, Proposition 2.3]. An exact sequence $0 \to K \to S \to M \to 0$ of R-modules with S separated and K an \overline{R} -module is a separated representation of M if and only if $P_i S \cap K = 0$ for each i and $K \subseteq PS$ [21, Proposition 2.3]. Every module M has a separated representation, which is unique up to isomorphism [21, Theorem 2.8]. Moreover, R-homomorphisms lift to a separated representation, preserving epimorphisms and monomorphisms [20, Theorem 2.6].

Now, in the following definition, we have collected several notions, which we use.

Definition 1.2. (a) If R is a ring and N is a submodule of an R-module M, then the ideal $\{r \in R : rM \subseteq N\}$ is denoted by $(N :_R M)$. The ideal $(0 :_R M)$ is the annihilator of M.

(b) A proper ideal I of R is said to be quasi-prime if for each pair of ideals A and B of R, $A \cap B \subseteq I$ yields either $A \subseteq I$ or $B \subseteq I$ (see [16]). A proper submodule N of an R-module M is called quasi-prime if $(N :_R M)$ is a quasi-prime ideal of R. The set of all quasi-prime submodules of M is denoted by $qSpec_R(M)$ (see [1]). Every maximal submodule of an R-module M is prime and every prime submodule of M is a quasi-prime submodule. Therefore $Max_R(M) \subseteq Spec_R(M) \subseteq qSpec_R(M)$ by [1, Remark 2.3].

(c) An *R*-module *M* is defined to be a comultiplication module if for each submodule *N* of *M*, $N = (0 :_M I)$, for some ideal *I* of *R*. In this case we can take I = Ann(N).

(d) A submodule N of an R-module M is called pure submodule if any finite system of equations over N which is solvable in M is also solvable in N. A submodule N of an R-module M is called relatively divisible (or an RD-submodule) in M if $rN = N \cap rM$ for all $r \in R$.

(e) A module M is pure-injective if it has the injective property relative to all pure exact sequences.

(f) A ring R is called to be a serial ring, if the set of all ideals of R is linearly ordered.

Remark 1.3. (1) An *R*-module *M* is pure-injective if and only if it is algebraically compact (see [17] and [27]).

(2) Let R be a Dedekind domain, M an R-module and N a submodule of M. Then N is pure in M if and only if $IN = N \cap IM$ for each ideal I of R. Moreover, N is pure in M if and only if N is an RD-submodule of M [27].

2. Some properties of quasi comultiplication modules

In this section, we collect some basic properties concerning quasi comultiplication modules. We begin with the key definition of this paper.

Definition 2.1. Let R be a commutative ring and M be an R-module. Then M is defined to be a quasi comultiplication module if $qSpec(M) = \emptyset$ or for every quasi-prime submodule N of M, $N = (0 :_M I)$ for some ideal I of R.

One can easily show that if M is a quasi comultiplication module, then $N = (0 :_M \operatorname{ann}(N))$ for every quasi-prime submodule N of M. It is easy to see that the class of quasi comultiplication modules contains the class of comultiplication modules defined in [7].

Lemma 2.2. Let R be a commutative ring and M be an R-module. If I, J are proper ideals of R and $I \subseteq (0:_R M)$, then the following hold:

- (1) If $I \subseteq J$, then J is a quasi-prime ideal of R if and only if J/I is a quasi-prime ideal of R/I.
- (2) If N is a proper submodule of M, then N is a quasi-prime R-submodule of M if and only if N is a quasi-prime R/I-submodule of M.
- (3) *M* is a quasi comultiplication *R*-module if and only if *M* is a quasi comultiplication *R*/*I*-module.

Proof. (1) The proof is straightforward.

(2) It is easy to see that $(N :_R M)/I = (N :_{R/I} M)$. So the result follows from Part(1).

(3) One can show that $(0:_R N)/I = (0:_{R/I} N)$. So the result follows from Part (2).

Lemma 2.3. Let R be a commutative ring and M be an R-module. If $N \subseteq L$ are submodules of M, then the following hold:

- (1) L is a quasi-prime submodule of M if and only if L/N is a quasi-prime submodule of M/N.
- (2) If M is a quasi comultiplication R-module and N is a pure submodule of M, then M/N is a quasi comultiplication R-module.
- (3) If M is a quasi comultiplication R-module, then every direct summand of M is a quasi comultiplication R-module.

Proof. (1) The proof is straightforward, since $(L:_R M) = (L/N:_R M/N)$.

(2) Let M be a quasi comultiplication module and let L/N be a quasi-prime submodule of M/N. Then by (1), L is a quasi-prime submodule of M, so $L = (0:_M I)$ for some ideal I of R. Now we show that $L/N = (0 :_{M/N} I)$. Since $L = (0 :_M I)$, so $I(L/N) = (IL + N)/N = 0_{M/N}$. Hence $L/N \subseteq (0 :_{M/N} I)$. Assume that $m + N \in (0 :_{M/N} I)$. Then $a(m + N) = am + N = 0_{M/N}$ for every $a \in I$. Therefore $am \in N$ and then $Im \subseteq N \cap IM = IN = 0$, since $IN \subseteq IL = 0$. Then $m \in L$, so $m + N \in L/N$ and we have the equality.

(3) The result follows from (2), since direct summands are pure submodules. \Box

Proposition 2.4. Let R be a local Dedekind domain and M be an R-module. Then the following hold:

- (1) Every proper submodule of M is quasi-prime.
- (2) *M* is a quasi comultiplication *R*-module if and only if *M* is a comultiplication *R*-module.
- (3) If M is a quasi comultiplication R-module, then M is indecomposable.

Proof. (1) Since every local Dedekind domain is a serial ring, the proof follows from [1, Lemma 2.4].

(2) Follows from (1).

(3) Let M be a quasi comultiplication R-module such that $M = N \oplus K$ with $N \neq 0$ and $K \neq 0$. By (1), there are positive integers m, n, with m < n, such that $M = (0 :_M P^n) + (0 :_M P^m) = (0 :_M P^n)$ and this contradicts $N \cap K = 0$. Thus either N = 0 or K = 0, as required.

Theorem 2.5. Let R be a local Dedekind domain with a unique maximal ideal P = Rp. Then the quasi comultiplication modules over R are:

- (1) $R/P^n, n \ge 1;$
- (2) E(R/P), the injective hull of R/P.

Proof. The result follows from Proposition 2.4 and [7, Theorem 2.5]. \Box

3. The separated quasi comultiplication modules

Throughout this paper we shall assume unless otherwise stated, that

$$R = (R_1 \xrightarrow{v_1} \bar{R} \xleftarrow{v_2} R_2) \tag{1}$$

is the pullback of two local Dedekind domains R_1, R_2 with maximal ideals P_1, P_2 generated respectively by p_1, p_2, P denotes $P_1 \oplus P_2$ and $R_1/P_1 \cong R_2/P_2 \cong R/P \cong \overline{R}$ is a field. In particular, R is a commutative Noetherian local ring with unique maximal ideal P. The other prime ideals of R are easily seen to be P_1 (that is $P_1 \oplus 0$) and P_2 (that is $0 \oplus P_2$). **Theorem 3.1.** Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1), M be an R-module and N be a proper submodule of M. Then N is a quasi-prime submodule of M if and only if either $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq N$ or $(0 \oplus P_2)M \subseteq N$.

Proof. Let N be a quasi-prime submodule of M. Since $(P_1 \oplus 0) \cap (0 \oplus P_2) = 0 \subseteq (N :_R M)$, we have that $P_1 \oplus 0 \subseteq (N :_R M)$ or $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq (N :_R M)$. Therefore $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq N$ or $(0 \oplus P_2)M \subseteq N$. Conversely, suppose that N is a proper submodule of M and $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq N$. Since R_2 is a local Dedekind domain, so $N/(P_1 \oplus 0)M$ is a quasi-prime R_2 -submodule of $M/(P_1 \oplus 0)M$ by Proposition 2.4. So $N/(P_1 \oplus 0)M$ is a quasi-prime R-submodule of $M/(P_1 \oplus 0)M$ by Lemma 2.2. Then N is a quasi-prime R-submodule of M by Lemma 2.3. So $(N :_R M)/(P_1 \oplus 0)$ is a quasi-prime ideal, then $(N :_R M)$ is a quasi-prime ideal of R by Lemma 2.2 and so N is a quasi-prime submodule of M.

Remark 3.2. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1), and let T be an R-submodule of a separated module $S = (S_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} \bar{S} \xleftarrow{f_2} S_2)$, with projection maps $\pi_i : S \to S_i$. Set

$$T_1 = \{t_1 \in S_1 : (t_1, t_2) \in T \text{ for some } t_2 \in S_2\},\$$
$$T_2 = \{t_2 \in S_2 : (t_1, t_2) \in T \text{ for some } t_1 \in S_1\}.$$

Then for each $i, i = 1, 2, T_i$ is an R_i -submodule of S_i and $T \leq T_1 \oplus T_2$. Moreover, we can define a mapping $\pi'_1 = \pi_1 | T : T \to T_1$ by sending (t_1, t_2) to t_1 ; hence $T_1 \cong T/((0 \oplus Ker(f_2)) \cap T) \cong T/(T \cap P_2S) \cong (T + P_2S)/P_2S \subseteq S/P_2S$. So we may assume that T_1 is a submodule of S_1 . Similarly, we may assume that T_2 is a submodule of S_2 (note that $Ker(f_1) = P_1S_1$ and $Ker(f_2) = P_2S_2$).

Proposition 3.3. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1) and S be a non-zero separated R-module with $\bar{S} = 0$. Then $(0:_R S) \in \{P_1 \oplus 0, 0 \oplus P_2, 0\}$.

Proof. It is clear that S = PS since $\overline{S} = 0$. First suppose that $(0:_R S) = P_1^n \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integers n and m. Now we consider the various possibilities for m and n.

Case 1. If n > 1 and m > 1, then $(P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2^{m-1})S = (P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2^{m-1})PS = (P_1^n \oplus P_2^m)S = 0$. So $P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2^{m-1} \subseteq (0:_R S)$ which is a contradiction.

Case 2. If n = 1 and m > 1, then $(P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1})S = (P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1})PS = (P_1^2 \oplus P_2^m)S = 0$ since $P_1^2 \oplus P_2^m \subseteq P_1 \oplus P_2^m = (0 :_R S)$. So $P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1} \subseteq (0 :_R S)$ which is a contradiction.

Case 3. If n > 1 and m = 1, then the proof is similar to Case 2.

Case 4. If n = 1 and m = 1, then $(0 :_R S) = P$. So S = PS = 0, which is a

contradiction. Now suppose that $(0:_R S) = P_1^n \oplus 0$ for some positive integer n > 1. So $(P_1^{n-1} \oplus 0)S = (P_1^{n-1} \oplus 0)PS = (P_1^n \oplus 0)S = 0$. So $P_1^{n-1} \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R S)$ which is a contradiction.

The case $(0:_R S) = 0 \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integer m > 1 is similar. \Box

Now, we find the separated quasi comultiplication modules over the pullback ring R. We begin with the following proposition.

Proposition 3.4. Let S be any separated quasi comultiplication module over the pullback ring as described in (1). Then the following hold:

- (1) If $(0:_R S) = 0$, then $\bar{S} = 0$.
- (2) If $\overline{S} \neq 0$, then $(0:_R S) \neq P_1^n \oplus 0$ and $(0:_R S) \neq 0 \oplus P_2^n$ for every positive integer n.
- (3) If $\overline{S} \neq 0$ and $(0:_R S) = P_1^n \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integers n, m, then either m = 1 or n = 1.

Proof. (1) Suppose $\bar{S} \neq 0$. Then PS is a quasi-prime submodule of S by Theorem 3.1. Let $(r_1, r_2) \in (0 :_R PS)$. Then $(r_1, r_2)(p_1, p_2)S \subseteq (r_1, r_2)PS = 0$, so $r_1p_1 = 0$ and $r_2p_2 = 0$; hence $r_1 = 0$ and $r_2 = 0$, since R_i is an integral domain for i = 1, 2. Therefore, $(0 :_R PS) = 0$. Then S quasi comultiplication gives $PS = (0 :_S (0 :_R PS)) = (0 :_S 0) = S$, which is a contradiction.

(2) Let $(0:_R S) = P_1^n \oplus 0$. If $(0 \oplus P_2)S = 0$, then $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq P_1^n \oplus 0$, which is a contradiction. So $(0 \oplus P_2)S \neq 0$ and $(0:_R (0 \oplus P_2)S) \neq R$. Then $(0:_R (0 \oplus P_2)S) = P_1 \oplus 0$ by [10, Proposition 3.8]. Moreover, by Theorem 3.1, $(0 \oplus P_2)S$ is a quasi-prime submodule of S, so $(0 \oplus P_2)S = (0:_S P_1 \oplus 0)$ since, S is quasicomultiplication. We may assume that n > 1. Since $(P_1 \oplus 0)(P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2)S = 0$, we must have $(P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2)S \subseteq (0:_S P_1 \oplus 0) = (0 \oplus P_2)S$. Let $s_1 \in S_1$. Then there is an element $s_2 \in S_2$ such that $(s_1, s_2) \in S$. Hence $(p_1^{n-1}, p_2)(s_1, s_2) \in (0 \oplus P_2)S$; hence $p_1^{n-1}s_1 = 0$ and so $P_1^{n-1}S_1 = 0$. Therefore, $P_1^{n-1} \subseteq (0:_{R_1} S_1) = P_1^n$ by [10, Proposition 3.6], which is a contradiction. Thus $(0:_R S) \neq P_1^n \oplus 0$ for every positive integer n. Similarly, $(0:_R S) \neq 0 \oplus P_2^n$ for every positive integer n.

(3) Suppose not. We may assume that n > 1 and m > 1. Clearly, $0 \neq (P_1 \oplus 0)S \subseteq PS \neq S$, $0 \neq (0 \oplus P_2)S \subseteq PS \neq S$, and they are quasi-prime submodules of S by Theorem 3.1. Since S is a quasi comultiplication R-module, we must have $(P_1 \oplus 0)S = (0 :_S (0 :_R (P_1 \oplus 0)S)) = (0 :_S (P_1^{n-1} \oplus P_2))$ and $(0 \oplus P_2)S = (0 :_S (P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1}))$ by [10, Lemma 3.4]. Let $s_1 \in S_1$. There exists $s_2 \in S_2$ such that $(s_1, s_2) \in S$. It follows that $p_1^n s_1 = 0$ and $p_2^m s_2 = 0$ by [10, Proposition 3.6]. Therefore, $(p_1, p_2^{m-1})(p_1^{n-1}s_1, p_2s_2) = 0$, so $(p_1^{n-1}s_1, p_2s_2) \in (0 :_S P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1}) =$

 $(0 \oplus P_2)S$; hence $p_1^{n-1}s_1 = 0$. By a similar way, we get $p_1s_1 = 0$. Therefore, $P_1S_1 \cong (P_1 \oplus 0)S = 0$, which is a contradiction.

Theorem 3.5. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1), and let $S = (S_1 \rightarrow \overline{S} \leftarrow S_2)$ be a separated R-module. Then S is a quasi comultiplication R-module if and only if each S_i is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module, for both i = 1, 2.

Proof. Let S be a quasi comultiplication R-module. If $q\text{Spec}(S) = \emptyset$, then $(P_1 \oplus 0)S = (0 \oplus P_2)S = S$ by Theorem 3.1. Then for each $i = 1, 2, S_i = 0$ is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module by [21, Corollary 3.3]. So, we may assume that $q\text{Spec}(S) \neq \emptyset$. If $\overline{S} = 0$. Then by [5, Lemma 2.7], $S = S_1 \oplus S_2$; hence for each $i = 1, 2; S_i$ is a quasi comultiplication R-module by Lemma 2.2. Therefore for each $i = 1, 2; S_i$ is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module by Lemma 2.2. So, we may assume that $\overline{S} \neq 0$.

Let L (resp. L') be a quasi-prime submodule of S_1 (resp S_2). Then there exists a separated submodule $T = (T/P_2S = T_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} \overline{T} = T/PT \xleftarrow{g_2} T_2 = T/P_1T)$ (resp. $T' = (T'/P_2T' = T'_1 \xrightarrow{g'_1} \overline{T'} = T'/PT' \xleftarrow{g'_2} T'_2 = T'/P_1S)$) of S, where g_i (resp. g'_i) is the restriction of f_i over T_i (resp. T'_i), i = 1, 2 such that $L = T_1$ (resp. $L' = T'_2$). Since $(0 \oplus P_2)S \subseteq T$ ($(P_1 \oplus 0)S \subseteq T'$); hence T (resp. T') is a proper quasi-prime R-submodule of S by Theorem 3.1. We split the proof into two cases for $(0 :_R S)$ by Proposition 3.4.

Case 1. $(0 :_R S) = P_1 \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integer m. If m = 1, then $(0:_R S) = P_1 \oplus P_2 = P$. Hence $PT \subseteq PS = 0$ and so $P \subseteq (0:_R T)$. Then we have $(0:_R T) = P$. Thus S is quasi comultiplication implies that $T = (0:_S P) = S$, which is a contradiction. So we may assume that m > 1. By [10, Proposition 3.6], $(0:_{R_1}S_1) = P_1$ and $(0:_{R_2}S_2) = P_2^m$. Since $(P_1 \oplus 0)S \cong P_1S_1 = 0$ and $(0 \oplus P_2)S \subseteq T$, we get $PS \subseteq T \subseteq S$, so $(0:_R S) \subseteq (0:_R T) \subseteq (0:_R PS)$; thus $P_1 \oplus P_2^m \subseteq (0 :_R T) \subseteq P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1}$ by [10, Proposition 3.7]. Therefore, either $(0:_R T) = P_1 \oplus P_2^m$ or $(0:_R T) = P_1 \oplus P_2^{m-1}$. Since S is quasi comultiplication, we have either $T = (0 :_{S} P_{1} \oplus P_{2}^{m}) = S$ or $T = (0 :_{S} P_{1} \oplus P_{2}^{m-1}) = PS$; hence T = PS and $T_1 = (PS)/PS = 0$. Then $L = T_1 = (0 :_{S_1} R_1)$ gives S_1 is quasi comultiplication. Now we will prove that S_2 is a quasi comultiplication R_2 -module. By hypothesis, $T' = (0 :_S P_1^s \oplus P_2^t)$ for some positive integers s, t. We show that $T'_2 = (0:_{S_2} P_2^m)$. Since the inclusion $T'_2 \subseteq (0:_{S_2} P_2^m)$ is clear, we will prove the reverse inclusion. Let $s_2 \in (0: S_2 P_2^m)$. Then $P_2^m s_2 = 0$ and there exists $s_1 \in S_1$ such that $(s_1, s_2) \in S$, so $(P_1^s \oplus P_2^t)(s_1, s_2) = 0$; hence $(s_1, s_2) \in T'$. Therefore, $s_2 \in T'_2$, and so we have the equality.

Case 2. $(0:S) = P_1^m \oplus P_2$ for some positive integer *m*. The proof is similar to that in Case 1.

Conversely, assume that S_i is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module for each i, i = 1, 2 and let T be a proper quasi-prime submodule of S. We consider the various possibilities for $(0:_R T)$.

Case 1. If $(0:_R T) = 0$, then $(0:_{R_1} T_1) = 0$ and $(0:_{R_2} T_2) = 0$. So $T_1 = S_1$ and $T_2 = S_2$ implies that T = S which is a contradiction.

Case 2. If $(0:_R T) = P_1^n \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integer n and m, then $T_1 = (0:_{S_1} P_1^n)$ and $T_2 = (0:_{S_2} P_2^m)$ by Proposition 2.4 and [10, Proposition 3.6]. So $T = (0:_S P_1^n \oplus P_2^m)$.

Case 3. If $(0:_R T) = P_1^n \oplus 0$ for some positive integer n, then $T_1 = (0:_{S_1} P_1^n)$, $T_2 = S_2$ by Proposition 2.4 and [10, Proposition 3.6]. So it is easy to see that $T = (0:_S P_1^n \oplus 0)$.

The case $(0 :_R T) = 0 \oplus P_2^m$ is similar. So S is a quasi comultiplication R-module.

Proposition 3.6. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1), and let $S = (S_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} \bar{S} \xleftarrow{f_2} S_2)$ be a separated quasi comultiplication R-module with $\bar{S} \neq 0$. Then S is an indecomposable R-module.

Proof. Let S be a separated quasi comultiplication module. Then, for both i, $i = 1, 2, S_i$ is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module by Theorem 3.5. Therefore for both $i, i = 1, 2, S_i$ is an indecomposable R_i -module by Proposition 2.4, and so, S is an indecomposable R-module by [5, Lemma 2.7].

Theorem 3.7. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1). Then the indecomposable separated quasi comultiplication modules over R are:

- (I) $S = (E(R_1/P_1) \rightarrow 0 \leftarrow 0)$ and $S = (0 \rightarrow 0 \leftarrow E(R_2/P_2))$, where $E(R_i/P_i)$ is the R_i -injective hull of R_i/P_i for i = 1, 2;
- (II) $S = (R_1/P_1^n \rightarrow \overline{R} \leftarrow R_2/P_2^m).$

Proof. By [5, Lemma 2.8], these modules are indecomposable and by Theorems 2.5 and 3.5 they are quasi comultiplication.

Now, let S be an indecomposable separated quasi comultiplication R-module. First, suppose that S = PS. Then by [5, Lemma 2.7 (i)], $S = S_1$ or S_2 and so, S is an indecomposable quasi comultiplication R_i -module for some i and, since PS = S, is type (I) in the list. So we may assume that $S \neq PS$. By Theorem 3.5, S_i is a quasi comultiplication R_i -module, for each i = 1, 2. Hence, by the structure of quasi comultiplication modules over a local Dedekind domain (see Theorem 2.5),

we must have $S_i = E(R_i/P_i)$ or R_i/P_i^n $(n \ge 1)$. Since S is indecomposable and $S/PS \ne 0$, it follows that for each $i = 1, 2, S_i$ is torsion and it is not divisible R_i -module. Then there are positive integers m, n and k such that $P_1^m S_1 = 0$, $P_2^k S_2 = 0$ and $P^n S = 0$. For $t \in S$, let o(t) denote the least positive integer l such that $P^l t = 0$. Now choose $t \in S_1 \cup S_2$ with $\bar{t} \ne 0$ and such that o(t) is maximal. There exists a $t = (t_1, t_2)$ such that $o(t) = n, o(t_1) = m$ and $o(t_2) = k$. Then $R_i t_i$ is pure in S_i for i = 1, 2 (see [5, Theorem 2.9]). Therefore, $R_1 t_1 \cong R_1/P_1^m$ (resp. $R_2 t_2 \cong R_2/P_2^k$) is a direct summand of S_1 (resp. S_2), since for each $i, R_i t_i$ is pure-injective. Hence $S_1 = R_1 t_1 \cong R_1/P_1^m$ since, S_1 is indecomposable. Similarly, $S_2 = R_2 t_2 \cong R_2/P_2^k$. Let \bar{M} be the \bar{R} -subspace of \bar{S} generated by \bar{t} . Then $\bar{M} \cong \bar{R}$. Let $M = (R_1 t_1 = M_1 \to \bar{M} \leftarrow M_2 = R_2 t_2)$. Then M is an R-submodule of S which is quasi comultiplication by Theorem 3.5 and is a direct summand of S; this implies that S = M, and S is as in (II) in the list (see [5, Theorem 2.9]).

We refer to modules of type (I) in Theorem 3.7 as P_1 -Prüfer and P_2 -Prüfer respectively.

Theorem 3.8. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1) and let S be a separated quasi comultiplication R-module. Then S has finite-dimensional top.

Proof. Apply Theorem 3.7 (note that $S = U \oplus X$, where $\dim_{\bar{R}}(U/PU) \leq 1$ and X/PX = 0).

4. The non-separated quasi comultiplication modules

We continue to use the notation already established, so R is the pullback ring as described in (1). In this section, we will determine all the indecomposable non-separated quasi comultiplication R-modules over R. It turns out that each can be obtained by amalgamating finitely many indecomposable separated quasi comultiplication modules.

We begin by the following lemma.

Lemma 4.1. Let R be a pullback ring as described in (1) and M, S be two R-modules. Let $\varphi : S \longrightarrow M$ be an epimorphism.

- (1) If N is a submodule of M, then $(N :_R M) = (\varphi^{-1}(N) :_R S)$.
- (2) If T is a proper submodule of S, then $(0:_R T) = (0:_R \varphi(T))$.
- (3) If either $(T:_R S) = P_1 \oplus 0$ or $(T:_R S) = 0 \oplus P_2$, then

$$(T:_R S) = (\varphi(T):_R M).$$

(4) If N is a quasi-prime submodule of M, then φ⁻¹(N) is a quasi-prime submodule of S. (5) If T is a quasi-prime submodule of S, then $\varphi(T)$ is a quasi-prime submodule of M.

Proof. (1) Suppose $(r_1, r_2) \in (N :_R M)$ and $(s_1, s_2) \in S$. Then $\varphi(s_1, s_2) \in M$ and so $\varphi(r_1s_1, r_2s_2) = (r_1, r_2)\varphi(s_1, s_2) \in (r_1, r_2)M \subseteq N$. Thus $(r_1, r_2)(s_1, s_2) = (r_1s_1, r_2s_2) \in \varphi^{-1}(N)$. Hence $(r_1, r_2)S \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(N)$ and we have $(r_1, r_2) \in (\varphi^{-1}(N) :_R S)$. For the reverse inclusion, suppose that $(r'_1, r'_2) \in (\varphi^{-1}(N) :_R S)$ and let $m \in M$. Then $\varphi(s'_1, s'_2) = m$ for some $(s'_1, s'_2) \in S$. Thus $(r'_1, r'_2)(s'_1, s'_2) \in \varphi^{-1}(N)$. Hence $(r'_1, r'_2)m = (r'_1, r'_2)\varphi(s'_1, s'_2) = \varphi(r'_1s'_1, r'_2s'_2) \in \varphi(\varphi^{-1}(N)) \subseteq N$, and we have the equality.

(2) First suppose that $(0:_R T) = 0$ and $(r_1, r_2) \in (0:_R \varphi(T))$. Therefore $\varphi((r_1, r_2)T) = (r_1, r_2)\varphi(T) = 0$, hence $(r_1, r_2)T \subseteq K$. So $(r_1, r_2)(p_1, p_2)T = 0$ since PK = 0 by [21, Proposition 2.4]. Thus $(r_1p_1, r_2p_2) \in (0:_R T)$ implies that $r_1 = 0$ and $r_2 = 0$ since R_i is a domain for each i = 1, 2. So we get $(0:_R \varphi(T)) = 0$ and we have the equality. It is clear that $(0:_R T) \subseteq (0:_R \varphi(T))$. Now, we consider the possibilities for $(0:_R \varphi(T))$:

Case 1. If $(0:_R \varphi(T)) = P_1^n \oplus 0$ for some positive integer n, then $\varphi((P_1^n \oplus 0)T) = (P_1^n \oplus 0)\varphi(T) = 0$. Hence $(P_1^n \oplus 0)T \subseteq K \cap (P_1 \oplus 0)S = 0$ by [21, Proposition 2.3] and so, $P_1^n \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R T)$ as required.

Case 2. If $(0:_R \varphi(T)) = 0 \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integer *m*, the proof is similar to Case 1.

Case 3. If $(0:_R \varphi(T)) = P_1^n \oplus P_2^m$ for some positive integer n, m, then by an argument like in Case 1, we get $P_1^n \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R T)$. Similarly, by Case 2, $0 \oplus P_2^m \subseteq (0:_R \varphi(T))$ implies that $0 \oplus P_2^m \subseteq (0:_R T)$. Thus $(0:_R \varphi(T)) = P_1^n \oplus P_2^m \subseteq (0:_R T)$ and we have the equality.

(3) Let $(T :_R S) = P_1 \oplus 0$. It is clear that $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq \varphi(T)$. Now, suppose that $(r_1, r_2) \in (\varphi(T) :_R M)$. It suffices to show that $r_2 = 0$. Let $(s_1, s_2) \in S$. Then $(r_1, r_2)\varphi(s_1, s_2) \in (r_1, r_2)M \subseteq \varphi(T)$. So $\varphi(r_1s_1, r_2s_2) = \varphi(t_1, t_2)$ for some $(t_1, t_2) \in T$. Hence $(r_1, r_2)(s_1, s_2) = (t_1, t_2) + (k_1, k_2)$ for some $(k_1, k_2) \in K$. This implies that $(r_1, r_2)S \subseteq T + K$. So $(0, p_2)(r_1, r_2)S \subseteq T$ since $(o, p_2)K \subseteq K \cap (0 \oplus P_2)S = 0$. Hence $(0, p_2r_2) \in (T :_R S) = P_1 \oplus 0$. Then $p_2r_2 = 0$ implies that $r_2 = 0$, since R_2 is a domain. Therefore $(\varphi(T) :_R M) = P_1 \oplus 0$. The case $(T :_R S) = 0 \oplus P_2$ is similar. (4) Clear by Theorem 3.1 and Case (1).

(5) Let T be a quasi-prime submodule of S. Then by Theorem 3.1, we may assume that $(P_1 \oplus 0)S \subseteq T$. We show that $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq \varphi(T)$. Assume that $m \in M$, then there exists $s \in S$ where $\varphi(s) = m$. Therefore $(p_1, 0)m = (p_1, 0)\varphi(s) = \varphi((p_1, 0)s) \in \varphi(T)$ for every $m \in M$. Hence $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq \varphi(T)$. Similarly, if $(0 \oplus P_2)S \subseteq T$, then $(0 \oplus P_2)M \subseteq \varphi(T)$.

Proposition 4.2. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1) and let M be any R-module. Let $0 \to K \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \to 0$ be a separated representation of M. Then the following hold:

- (1) $\operatorname{qSpec}_R(S) = \emptyset$ if and only if $\operatorname{qSpec}_R(M) = \emptyset$.
- (2) $(0:_R S) = 0$ if and only if $(0:_R M) = 0$.
- (3) If $(0:_R S) = 0$, then $\operatorname{qSpec}_R(S) \neq \emptyset$.
- (4) If $(0:_R M) = 0$, then $\operatorname{qSpec}_R(M) \neq \emptyset$.
- (5) If either $P_1 \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R S)$ or $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq (0:_R S)$, then M is separated.

Proof. (1) Follows from Lemma 4.1.

(2) Clear by [13, Proposition 5.2].

(3) Assume that $(0:_R S) = 0$. If $(P_1 \oplus 0)S = S$, then $(0 \oplus P_2)S = (0 \oplus P_2)(P_1 \oplus 0)S = 0$ and so $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq (0:_R S)$ which is a contradiction. So $(P_1 \oplus 0)S$ is a quasi-prime submodule of S by Theorem 3.1. Similarly, $(0 \oplus P_2)S \in qSpec_R(S)$.

(4) If $(0:_R M) = 0$, then $(0:_R S) = 0$ by Part (2). Thus $qSpec_R(S) \neq \emptyset$ by Part (3). Hence the result follows from Part (1).

(5) Let $P_1 \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R S)$. Then $P_1 \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R M)$ since $(0:_R S) \subseteq (0:_R M)$. Then $(P_1 \oplus 0)M = 0$ and M is a separated R-module by [21, Lemma 2.9]. The case $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq (0:_R S)$ is similar.

Theorem 4.3. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1) and let M be any non-separated R-module. Let $0 \to K \to S \to M \to 0$ be a separated representation of M. Then S is a quasi comultiplication R-module if and only if M is a quasi comultiplication R-module.

Proof. Let S be a quasi comultiplication R-module. By Proposition 4.2, we may assume that $qSpec(S) \neq \emptyset$. First suppose that $\bar{S} \neq 0$. Then either $(0:_R S) = P_1 \oplus P_2^n$ or $(0:_R S) = P_1^n \oplus P_2$ for some positive integer n by Proposition 3.4. So either $P_1 \oplus 0 \subseteq (0:_R S)$ or $0 \oplus P_2 \subseteq (0:_R S)$; hence M is a separated R-module by Proposition 4.2 which is a contradiction. Now, assume that $\bar{S} = 0$, if either $(0:_R S) = P_1 \oplus 0$ or $(0:_R S) = 0 \oplus P_2$, then M is a separated R-module by Proposition 4.2 which is a contradiction. So we may assume that $(0:_R S) = 0$ by Proposition 3.3. Let N be a quasi-prime submodule of M. Then $\varphi^{-1}(N)$ is a quasi-prime submodule of S by Lemma 4.1. So $\varphi^{-1}(N) = (0:_S (0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N)))$. We show that $N = (0:_M (0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N)))$. If $n \in N$, then $\varphi(s) = n$ for some $s \in S$. Hence $s = \varphi^{-1}(n) \in \varphi^{-1}(N)$. Let $(r_1, r_2) \in (0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N))$. Then $(r_1, r_2)s = 0$. Then we have $(r_1, r_2)n = (r_1, r_2)\varphi(s) = \varphi((r_1, r_2)s) = 0$ and $n \in$ $(0:_M (0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N)))$. By Theorem 3.1, we can assume that $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq N$ and so by Lemma 4.1, $(P_1 \oplus 0)S \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(N)$. Since $(0:_R S) = 0$, it is easy to see that $(0:_R (P_1 \oplus 0)S) = 0 \oplus P_2$. Since $(P_1 \oplus 0)S \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(N)$, we have $(0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N)) \subseteq (0:_R (P_1 \oplus 0)S) = 0 \oplus P_2$. Therefore $(0:_R \varphi^{-1}(N)) = 0 \oplus P_2^k$ for some positive integer k. So $\varphi^{-1}(N) = (0:_S 0 \oplus P_2^k)$ and $m \in (0:_M 0 \oplus P_2^k)$. There exists $t = (t_1, t_2) \in S$ such that $\varphi(t) = \varphi(t_1, t_2) = m$. Thus $\varphi(0, p_2^k t_2) = \varphi((0, p_2^k)(t_1, t_2)) = (0, p_2^k)m = 0$. Therefore $(0, p_2^k t_2) \in K \cap (0 \oplus P_2)S = 0$ and so $p_2^k t_2 = 0$ by [21, Proposition 2.3]. Hence $t = (t_1, t_2) \in (0:_S (0 \oplus P_2^k)) = \varphi^{-1}(N)$ and so $m = \varphi(t) \in N$. Then we have the equality.

Conversely, let M be a quasi comultiplication R-module. By Proposition 4.2, we may assume that $qSpec(S) \neq \emptyset$. Let T be a non-zero quasi-prime submodule of S. Then $K \subseteq T$ by [7, Proposition 4.3], and so T/K is a quasi-prime submodule of S/K by Lemma 2.2. By an argument like that in [7, Theorem 4.4], S is a quasi comultiplication R-module.

We are ready to determine all indecomposable non-separated quasi comultiplication R-modules.

Proposition 4.4. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1). Then the injective hull E(R/P) of R/P is a non-separated quasi comultiplication R-module.

Proof. By [7, Proposition 4.2], E(R/P) is a non-separated comultiplication *R*-module. So it is a non-separated quasi comultiplication *R*-module.

Proposition 4.5. Let R be the pullback ring as described in (1) and let M be a non-zero indecomposable non-separated quasi comultiplication R-module. Let $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow S \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ be a separated representation of M. Then $\overline{S} = 0$.

Proof. Assume to the contrary, $\bar{S} \neq 0$. By Theorem 4.3, S is quasi comultiplication; hence S is type (II) of Theorem 3.7 which are indecomposable. Then $P^m S = 0$ for some m, and so $P^m M = 0$. If m = 1, then $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \subseteq PM = 0$; so $(P_1 \oplus 0)M \cap (0 \oplus P_2)M = 0$ that is a contradiction. So suppose that $m \geq 2$. Let k be the least positive integer such that $P^k M = 0$ (so $P^{k-1}M \neq 0$). It follows that $\varphi(P^k x) = 0$ for all $x \in S$; so $\varphi(P_1^k x) = \varphi(P_2^k x) = 0$. Since by [19, Proposition 2.3], φ is one-to-one on P_iS for each i, we get $P_1^k x = P_2^k x = 0$. Thus $P^k x = 0$ and hence $P^k S = 0$. Set $N = P^{k-1}M$. Then $0 \to K \to \varphi^{-1}(N) = P^{k-1}S \to N \to 0$ is a separated representation of N by [6, Lemma 3.1]; hence $K \subseteq PP^{k-1}S = P^kS = 0$ which is a contradiction since M is non-separated. Thus $\bar{S} = 0$.

Before embarking on the proof of the next result let us explain its idea. Let M be any R-module and let $0 \to K \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \to 0$ be a separated representation

of M. If M is a quasi comultiplication non-separated R-module, then S is quasicomultiplication by Theorem 4.3. In this case, $S = S_1 \oplus S_2$, where S_i is of type (I) (in statement of Theorem 3.7). In any separated representation $0 \to K \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \to 0$ the kernel of the map φ to M is annihilated by P, hence is contained in the socle of the separated module S. Thus M is obtained by amalgamation in the socles of the various direct summands of S.

Let M be any non-zero indecomposable non-separated quasi comultiplication Rmodule and let $0 \to K \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \to 0$ be a separated representation of M. By Proposition 4.4, the modules finite length do not occur among the direct summands of S and $S = S_1 \oplus S_2$, where S_i is of type (I) (in statement of Theorem 3.7). If there are two modules of type (I), then their generators cannot both be annihilated by the same P_i . This contradicts there being two copies of the P_1 -Prüfer or two copies of the P_2 -Prüfer. So S_1 is P_1 -Prüfer and S_2 is P_2 -Prüfer. It is clear that the module obtained this amalgamation is, indeed, E(R/P), the R-injective hull of R/P which is an indecomposable quasi-comultiplication non-separated R-module by Proposition 4.4 (also see [5, p. 4053]). Therefore we have the following theorem:

Theorem 4.6. Let $R = (R_1 \rightarrow \overline{R} \leftarrow R_2)$ be the pullback of two discrete valuation domains R_1, R_2 with common factor field \overline{R} . Then the only non-zero indecomposable quasi comultiplication non-separated R-module, up to isomorphism, is E(R/P), the R-injective hull of R/P.

Corollary 4.7. Let R be the pullback ring as described in Theorem 4.6. Then every non-zero-indecomposable non-separated quasi comultiplication R-module is pure-injective.

Proof. Apply [5, Theorem 3.5] and Theorem 4.6.

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