

## On $\tau$ -Discrete Modules

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### Abstract

An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete if  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting and has the property  $(D_2)$  (respectively, has the property  $(D_3)$ ), where  $\tau$  is a preradical in  $R - mod$ . It is shown that: (1) direct summands of a (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete module are (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete; (2) a projective module  $M$  is  $\tau$ -discrete if and only if  $\frac{M}{\tau(M)}$  is semisimple and  $\tau(M)$  is QSL; (3) if a projective module  $M$  is Soc-lifting, then  $\frac{M}{Soc(M)}$  is Soc-discrete and  $Rad(\frac{M}{Soc(M)})$  is semisimple.

**Keywords:** preradical,  $\tau$ -lifting module, (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete module.

## $\tau$ -Ayrık Modüller Üzerine

### Öz

$\tau$  tüm sol  $R$ -modüllerin kategorisinde öncül radikal olmak üzere  $\tau$ -yükseltilebilir ve  $(D_2)$  özelliğini sağlayan (sırasıyla,  $(D_3)$  özelliğini sağlayan) bir  $R$ -modülü  $M$ 'e (ayrık)  $\tau$ -ayrık denir. Şu gösterilmiştir: (1) Bir (quasi)  $\tau$ -ayrık modülün her direkt toplam terimi (quasi)  $\tau$ -ayrıktır; (2) bir projektif  $M$  modülünün  $\tau$ -ayrık olması için gerek ve yeter koşul  $\frac{M}{\tau(M)}$  nin yarıbasit ve  $\tau(M)$  nin QSL olmasıdır; (3) bir projektif  $M$  modülü Soc-yükseltilebilirse,  $\frac{M}{Soc(M)}$  Soc-ayrıktır ve  $Rad(\frac{M}{Soc(M)})$  yarıbasittir.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** öncül radikal,  $\tau$ -yükseltilebilir modül, (yarı)  $\tau$ -ayrık modül.

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## 1. Introduction

In our article, all rings are associative with identity and all modules are unity left modules over these rings. For a ring  $R$ ,  $R\text{-mod}$  denotes the category of all left  $R$ -modules. A submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  will be denoted by  $N \leq M$ . A nonzero  $E \leq M$  is called *essential* in  $M$  and written by  $E \leq M$  if  $E \cap F \neq 0$  for every nonzero submodule  $F$  of  $M$ . We call a module  $M$  *extending* if it satisfies  $(C_1)$ , that is, its submodules are essential in a direct summand of  $M$  as in [5].

We call an extending module  $M$  *continuous* if it satisfies  $(C_2)$ , that is, every submodule isomorphic to a direct summand of  $M$  is a direct summand as in [5].

We call an extending module  $M$  *quasi continuous* if it satisfies  $(C_3)$ , that is, whenever  $M = A \oplus B = C \oplus D$  and  $A \cap C = 0$ ,  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = (A \oplus C) \oplus E$  as in [5]. Since a module  $M$  with  $(C_2)$  has the property  $(C_3)$  every continuous module is quasi continuous. Injective modules are an example of a continuous module.

As a dual notation of an essential submodule of  $A$ , one call a proper submodule  $S$  of  $A$  *small* in  $M$  and denoted by  $S \ll M$  if  $S + X$  is not  $M$  for every proper submodule  $X \ll M$ . With the notation of immediately extending modules, lifting modules are defined as:  $M$  is *lifting* if it satisfies

$(D_1)$  For any  $A \leq M$ , we can write  $M = A_1 \oplus L$ ,  $A_1 \leq A$  and  $A \cap L \ll L$  for submodules  $A_1, L$  of  $M$ .

We call a lifting module  $M$  *quasi-discrete* if it satisfies

$(D_2)$  If  $A \leq M$  with  $\frac{M}{A} \cong B$  and  $M = B \oplus C$ , we can write  $M = A \oplus A'$ .

We call a lifting module  $M$  *discrete* if it satisfies

$(D_3)$  Whenever  $M = A \oplus B$ ,  $M = C \oplus D$  and  $M = A + C$ ,  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = (A \cap C) \oplus E$ .

The modules that provide quasi-projective and the property  $(D_2)$  are coincide. Since a module  $M$  with  $(D_2)$  provides  $(D_3)$ , quasi-discrete modules are a generalization of discrete modules. It is obvious that (quasi) discrete modules are a dual notion of (quasi) continuous modules. Although injective modules are continuous, a projective module usually does not have to be discrete. Hollow modules (that is, its proper submodules are small) are quasi-discrete. The family of (quasi-) discrete modules are extensively studied by researchers. A module  $M$  has the property  $P^*$  if for every submodule  $A$  of  $M$   $M$  has the decomposition  $M = A' \oplus B$  such that  $A' \leq A$  and  $\frac{A}{A'} \leq \text{Rad}(\frac{M}{A'})$  for some submodules  $A'$  and  $B$  of  $M$ . Every lifting module has the property  $P^*$ . Also, a finitely generated module with the property  $P^*$  is lifting. In general, a module with the property  $P^*$  need not be lifting. For example, consider the left  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $M = {}_{\mathbb{Z}}\mathbb{Q}$ . Since radical modules have the property  $P^*$ ,  $M$  has the property  $P^*$ . On the other hand,  $M$  is not lifting.

In recent years, types of lifting modules have been defined and studied in  $R\text{-mod}$  with the help of preradicals. A functor  $\tau$  from the category  $R\text{-mod}$  to itself is said to be *preradical* if it provides the following properties:

- (1)  $\tau(M) \leq M$ , where  $M \in R\text{-mod}$ ;
- (2) If  $f: M \rightarrow M'$  is homomorphism, then  $f(\tau(M)) \subseteq \tau(M)$  and  $\tau(f)$  is the restriction of  $f$  to  $\tau(M)$ .

A preradical  $\tau$  for  $R\text{-mod}$  is called *exact* if for  $N \leq M$   $\tau(N) = N \cap \tau(M)$ , and it is called *radical* if  $\tau\left(\frac{M}{\tau(M)}\right) = 0$ .

$Rad(M)$  and  $Soc(M)$  denote the radical, socle of a module  $M$ , respectively.  $Rad$  and  $\delta$  are radical in  $R\text{-mod}$ , and  $Soc$  is an exact preradical in  $R\text{-mod}$ .

Let  $\tau$  be a preradical in  $R\text{-mod}$ . Following [1, 2.8 and 2.9], we call  $M$   $\tau$ -*lifting* if for any  $N \leq M$ , we can write  $M = A \oplus B$  with  $A \subseteq N$  and  $N \cap B \leq \tau(B)$  for  $A, B \leq M$ . In [1], for  $\tau = Rad$ ,  $M$  is *Rad-lifting* if and only if  $M$  has the property  $P^*$ . Lifting modules are an example of *Rad-lifting* modules. It is shown in [1, 2.10 (2)] that whenever  $M = A \oplus B$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module, so does  $A$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\tau$  be a preradical in  $R\text{-mod}$ . In our study, we introduce the concept of (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete modules. We obtain some properties of such modules. In particular, we show that direct summands of a (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete module are (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete. Moreover, we prove that a projective module  $M$  is  $\tau$ -discrete if and only if  $\frac{M}{\tau(M)}$  is semisimple and  $\tau(M)$  is *QSL*. Also, we show that if a projective module  $M$  is *Soc-lifting*,  $\frac{M}{Soc(M)}$  is *Soc-discrete* and  $Rad\left(\frac{M}{Soc(M)}\right)$  is semisimple.

## 3. Main Theorem and Proof

In this section, we study on (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete modules.

**Definition 3.1** A module  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -*discrete* (respectively, *quasi  $\tau$ -discrete*) if  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting with  $(D_2)$  (respectively,  $(D_3)$ ).

**Theorem 3.2** Given a (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete module  $M = N \oplus N'$ . Then  $N$  is (quasi) discrete.

**Proof.** By [9, 2.10.(2)], we obtain that  $N$  is  $\tau$ -lifting. Hence  $N$  is (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete by [5, Lemma 4.6].

Given modules  $U \leq X$ . In [6],  $U$  is said to be *strongly lifting* in  $X$  provided whenever  $\frac{X}{U} = \frac{A+U}{U} \oplus \frac{B+U}{U}$ , we can write  $M = Z \oplus T$  where  $Z \subseteq A$ ,  $\frac{A+U}{U} = \frac{Z+U}{U}$  and  $\frac{B+U}{U} = \frac{T+U}{U}$ . Alkan [3] generalizes the definition;  $U$  is called *quasi strongly lifting (QSL)* in  $X$  if whenever  $\frac{X}{U} = \frac{A+U}{U} \oplus \frac{C}{U}$ , we can write  $X = Z \oplus T$ ,  $Z \subseteq A$  and  $Z + U = A + U$ . Observe from [3, Lemma 3.5] that if a

module  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting, then  $\tau(M)$  is *QSL*. Using this fact we obtain that a characterization of (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete modules.

**Proposition 3.3** Let  $M$  be a module with  $(D_2)$  (respectively,  $(D_3)$ ). Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) it is (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete,
- (2) it is  $\tau$ -supplemented and  $\tau(M)$  is *QSL*.
- (3)  $\frac{M}{\tau(M)}$  is semisimple with *QSL*  $\tau(M)$ .

**Proof.** By Lemma 3.5 and Proposition 3.6 in [3].

**Corollary 3.4** A projective module  $M$  is  $\tau$ -discrete if and only if  $\frac{M}{\tau(M)}$  is semisimple and  $\tau(M)$  is *QSL*.

**Proof.** Since projective modules are  $(D_2)$ , it follows from Proposition 3.3.

Given a module  $E$ . We call  $E$  (quasi) *Rad-discrete* if  $E$  has the property  $P^*$  and  $(D_2)$  (respectively, has the property  $P^*$  and  $(D_3)$ ) as in [7].

**Lemma 3.5** A projective  $M$  is *Rad-discrete* if and only if  $M$  is semilocal and  $Rad(M)$  is *QSL*.

**Proof.** The proof follows from Corollary 3.4.

**Theorem 3.6** The following statements are equivalent for a ring  $R$ :

- (1)  $R$  is semiperfect;
- (2)  $R$  is *Rad-discrete*;
- (3)  $R$  has the property  $(P^*)$ ;
- (4)  $R$  is *Rad*- $\oplus$ -supplemented;
- (5)  $R$  is semilocal and  $Rad(R)$  is *QSL*.

**Proof.** (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) $\Rightarrow$ (4) $\Rightarrow$ (1) By [7, Corollary 2.10].

(1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (5) It follows from Corollary 3.4.

Follows from [6, Theorem 10], the socle  $Soc({}_R R)$  of a ring  $R$  is strongly lifting. Using this fact we characterize *Soc-discrete* rings in the following.

**Proposition 3.7** A ring  $R$  is *Soc-discrete* if and only if  $\frac{R}{Soc({}_R R)}$  is semisimple.

**Proof.** By Corollary 3.4 and [6, Theorem 10].

Given a module  $E$ . We call  $E$   $\tau$ -torsion free if  $\tau(E) = 0$ .

**Proposition 3.8** Let  $M$  be a  $\tau$ -torsion free module. If it is quasi  $\tau$ -discrete, it is semisimple.

**Proof.** Let  $N \leq M$ . By assumption, we can write  $M = A \oplus B$  with  $A \leq N$  and  $N \cap B \subseteq \tau(B)$ . Since  $M$  is  $\tau$ -torsion free, we can write  $N \cap B \subseteq \tau(B) \subseteq \tau(M) = 0$  and so  $N = N \cap B = A \oplus (N \cap B) = A$ , as required.

Recall from [2] that a submodule  $Z$  of a module  $E$  is a  $\tau$ -supplement of some submodule  $T \leq M$  provided  $Z+T$  is  $M$  and  $Z \cap T \subseteq \tau(Z)$ .

**Theorem 3.9** Let  $\tau$  be an exact preradical and let  $M$  be a  $\tau$ -lifting module and  $V$  be  $\tau$ -supplement in  $M$ . Then  $V$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.

**Proof.** Let  $N \leq V$ . Since  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting, we can write  $M = A \oplus B$ ,  $A \leq N$  and  $N \cap B \subseteq \tau(B)$ . By the modularity, we can write  $V$  is  $A \oplus (V \cap B)$ , and clearly,  $N \cap (V \cap B) = N \cap B \subseteq \tau(B)$ . Since  $\tau$  is an exact preradical in  $R\text{-Mod}$ , we can write  $\tau(V \cap B)$  is  $V \cap \tau(B)$ . Now  $N \cap B \subseteq V \cap \tau(B)$  is  $\tau(V \cap B)$ . It means that  $V$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.

**Corollary 3.10** Let  $\tau$  be an exact preradical in  $R - \text{Mod}$  and  $M$  be a uniform  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting, then every  $\tau$ -supplement submodule  $V$  of  $M$  is quasi  $\tau$ -discrete.

**Proof.** By Theorem 3.9, we obtain that  $V$  is  $\tau$ -lifting. Since uniform modules have the property  $(D_3)$ , we get that  $V$  is quasi  $\tau$ -discrete.

**Proposition 3.10** Let  $\tau$  be a radical in  $R - \text{Mod}$  and  $M$  be a (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete module with small  $\tau(M)$ . Then  $\tau(M) = \text{Rad}(M)$  and it is (quasi) discrete.

**Proof.** By [2, 2.10 (1)], we obtain that  $\text{Rad}(M) \subseteq \tau(M)$ . Since  $\tau(M) \ll M$ ,  $\tau(M) = \text{Rad}(M)$  is small in  $M$ . So  $M$  is lifting. Hence it is (quasi) discrete.

A module  $E$  is called  $\tau$ -torsion if  $E = \tau(E)$ . For example, semisimple modules are Soc-torsion, radical modules are Rad-torsion, and projective semisimple modules are  $\delta$ -torsion.

**Lemma 3.11** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module. If  $N \leq M$  is  $\tau$ -torsion,  $\frac{M}{N}$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.

**Proof.** Let  $N \leq A \leq M$ . Then we can write  $M = A' \oplus B$ ,  $A' \leq A$  and  $A \cap B \subseteq \tau(B)$  for submodules  $A', B \leq M$ . It follows that  $\frac{M}{N} = \frac{A'+N}{N} + \frac{B+N}{N}$  and  $\frac{A \cap B + N}{N} \subseteq \tau(\frac{B+N}{N})$ . Since  $N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion, we can write  $(\frac{A'+N}{N}) \cap (\frac{B+N}{N}) = 0$ . Thus  $\frac{M}{N}$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.

**Theorem 3.12** Suppose that  $N$  is a  $\tau$ -torsion submodule of a projective module  $M$ . If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting,  $\frac{M}{N}$  is  $\tau$ -discrete.

**Proof.** Since  $M$  is a projective module and  $N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion,  $\frac{M}{N}$  has the property  $(D_2)$ . Applying Lemma 3.11, we deduce that  $\frac{M}{N}$  is  $\tau$ -discrete.

**Corollary 3.13** If  $M$  is a projective and *Soc*-lifting module, then  $\frac{M}{\text{Soc}(M)}$  is *Soc*-discrete and its radical is semisimple.

**Proof.** Following Theorem 3.12, we get that  $\frac{M}{\text{Soc}(M)}$  is *Soc*-discrete. Also, applying [2, 2.10 (1)],  $\text{Rad}(\frac{M}{\text{Soc}(M)})$  is semisimple. This completes the proof.

#### 4. Conclusion

In this article, we introduce the concept of (quasi)  $\tau$ -discrete modules and investigate the basic properties of these modules by preradicals in  $R - \text{mod}$ , where  $R$  is an associative ring with identity. We characterize projective  $\tau$ -discrete modules. We show that if a module is  $\tau$ -lifting, then its factor modules by  $\tau$ -torsion submodules are  $\tau$ -lifting. We prove that if a projective module  $M$  is *Soc*-lifting, then  $\frac{M}{\text{Soc}(M)}$  is *Soc*-discrete and its radical is semisimple

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