

## A Note On Quasi-Essential Submodule of QTAG-module

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**ABSTRACT.** The concept of quasi-essential submodules has been studied in [1] and different characterizations were obtained in terms of center of  $h$ -purity. In this paper we characterize quasi-essential submodules which shows that each quasi-essential submodule is, indeed, the center of  $h$ -purity (Theorem 2.6).

**Introduction:** The concept of quasi-essential submodules has been introduced in [1]. A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is called quasi-essential if  $M = T + K$  for a complement  $K$  of  $N$  and  $T$  an  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$  containing  $N$ . The concept of center of  $h$ -purity was also introduced as: A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called center of  $h$ -purity if every complement of  $N$  is  $h$ -pure in  $M$ . After imposing one more condition on  $M$ , many results have been proved to see the relation between center of  $h$ -purity and quasi-essential submodules. It has been seen that all submodules of  $M^1$  are quasi-essential and condition has been obtained under which every quasi-essential submodule is center of  $h$ -purity. In this paper we obtain a similar characterization.

**1. Preliminaries:** Rings considered here are with unity ( $1 \neq 0$ ) and modules are unital QTAG-module. A module in which the lattice of its submodules is totally ordered is called a serial module; in addition if it has finite composition length it is called uniserial module. An element  $x \in M$  is called uniform if  $xR$  is a non zero uniform (hence uniserial) submodule of  $M$ . If  $x \in M$  is uniform then  $e(x) = d(xR)$  (The composition length of  $xR$ ),  $H_M(x) = \sup\{d(yR/xR)/x \in yR \text{ and } y \in M \text{ is uniform}\}$  are called exponent of  $x$  and height of  $x$  in  $M$  respectively. For any  $n \geq 0$ ,  $H_n(M) = \{x \in M/H_M(x) \geq n\}$ . A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called  $h$ -pure in  $M$  if  $H_k(N) = N \cap H_k(M)$  for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $N$  is  $h$ -neat in  $M$  if  $H_1(N) = N \cap H_1(M)$ . The module  $M$  is called  $h$ -divisible if  $H_1(M) = M$ . We denote by  $M^1$  as the submodule generated by the uniform elements of infinite height.

Here we impose one more condition on  $M$

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other basic concepts of QTAG-module one may see [1,3].

## 2. Quasi-Essential Submodule

Firstly we state the following lemma, since the proof is of set theoretic nature, therefore it is omitted.

**Lemma 2.1:** If  $M$  is a QTAG-module such that  $M = N \oplus K$  such that  $N_0 \subseteq N$  and  $K_0 \subseteq K$  are submodules, if  $N'$  is a complement of  $N_0$  in  $N$  and  $K'$  is a complement of  $K_0$  in  $K$ , then  $N' \oplus K'$  is a complement of  $K_0 \oplus N_0$  in  $M$ .

**Lemma 2.2:** If  $S$  is a quasi-essential submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$  and  $N$  is an  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$  with  $Soc(N) = Soc(H_n(M))$ . Then  $S \cap H_n(M)$  is a quasi-essential submodule of  $N$ .

**Proof:** Let  $N_0 = S \cap H_n(M)$  and  $S = N_0 \oplus K_0$ , then trivially  $K_0 \cap H_n(M) = 0$ . Let  $K$  be a complement of  $N$  in  $M$  containing  $K_0$ ; then since  $N$  is  $h$ -pure and  $M/N$  is bounded, we get  $M = K \oplus N$ . Now let  $N'$  be a complement of  $N_0$  in  $N$  and  $T$  be an  $h$ -pure submodule of  $N$  containing  $N_0$ . If  $K'$  is complement of  $K_0$  in  $K$ , then  $N' \oplus K'$  is complement of  $S$  in  $M$  by Lemma 2.1. Now

$$\begin{aligned} (T \oplus K) \cap H_n(M) &= (T \oplus K) \cap (H_n(K) \oplus H_n(N)) \\ &= H_n(K) + (T \oplus K) \cap H_n(N) \end{aligned}$$

Now let  $x \in (T \oplus K) \cap H_n(N)$  then  $x = a + b, a \in T, b \in K$  and  $x \in H_n(N)$ , then  $x - a = b \in K \cap N = 0$ , so  $x \in T \cap H_n(N) = H_n(T)$ . Hence, we get  $(T \oplus K) \cap H_n(M) = H_n(K) \oplus H_n(T) = H_n(K \oplus T)$ ; so  $T \oplus K$  is an  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$ . Trivially  $S \subseteq T \oplus K$ . Since  $S$  is quasi-essential submodule of  $M$ , we get  $M = T \oplus K + N' \oplus K' = (T + N') \oplus K$ . Hence,  $N = T + N'$ . Therefore,  $S \cap H_n(M)$  is quasi-essential in  $N$ .

**Lemma 2.3:** If  $S$  be a quasi-essential submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$  satisfying condition (A) and if  $Soc(H_n(M)) \neq (S \cap H_n(M)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then  $S \subseteq Soc(H_n(M))$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A_0 = S \cap H_{n+1}(M)$  and  $S = A_0 \oplus B_0$ . Let  $Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$  support a  $h$ -pure submodule  $A$  of  $M$ . Let  $B$  be a complement of  $A$  in  $M$  such that  $B_0 \subseteq B$ . Then as done in Lemma 2.2,  $M = A \oplus B$ . Let  $K$  be a  $h$ -pure submodule of  $B$  such that  $Soc(K) = B_0$  and  $B'$  be a complement of  $K$  in  $B$ . Then  $B'$  is also a complement of  $B_0$ . Let  $A'$  be a complement of  $A_0$  in  $A$ , then  $A' \oplus B'$  is complement of  $S$  in  $M$ . Since  $S$  is quasi-essential in  $M$  and as done in Lemma 2.2,  $A \oplus K$  is an  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$  containing  $S$ . Therefore,  $M = A \oplus K + A' \oplus B' = A \oplus (K \oplus B')$ . Thus, we get  $B = K \oplus B'$ , so  $K$  is an absolute direct summand of  $B$ . Now appealing to [Theorem 12, 1], we get  $Soc(H_{k+1}(B)) \subseteq B_0 \subseteq Soc(H_k(B))$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Since  $Soc(H_n(M)) = Soc(A) \oplus Soc(H_n(B))$  and  $Soc(H_n(M)) \neq (S \cap H_n(M)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$ , we get  $Soc(H_n(B)) \subseteq B_0$ . Thus  $n \leq k$ , so  $B_0 \subseteq Soc(H_n(B))$ . Now

$$S = A_0 + B_0 \subseteq \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \oplus \text{Soc}(H_n(B)) = \text{Soc}(H_n(M)).$$

**Lemma 2.4:** If  $S$  is quasi-essential subsocle of a QTAG-module  $M$  satisfying condition (A) and is  $h$ -dense in  $M$ . Then either  $S \subseteq M^1$  or  $S = \text{Soc}(M)$ .

**Proof:** Appealing to [Theorem 2.10, 2] we see that  $S$  supports an  $h$ -pure submodule and is quasi-essential. Now if  $S \not\subseteq M^1$ , then by [Theorem 12, 1],  $\text{Soc}(H_{k+1}(M)) \subseteq S \supset \text{Soc}(H_k(M))$  for some  $k \in Z^+$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(M) = S + \text{Soc}(H_{k+1}(M))$  and as  $\text{Soc}(H_{k+1}(M)) \subseteq S$ , we get  $S = \text{Soc}(M)$ .

**Lemma 2.5:** If  $S$  be a quasi essential subsocle of a QTAG-module  $M$  satisfying condition (A) and if  $\text{Soc}(H_k(M)) = (S \cap H_k(M)) + \text{Soc}(H_{k-1}(M))$  for every  $k > n$ , then either  $H_{n+1}(M)$  is  $h$ -divisible or  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \subset S$ .

**Proof:** Let  $K$  be an  $h$ -pure submodule supported by  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$ , then  $\text{Soc}(H_k(M)) = \text{Soc}(H_k(K))$  and  $S \cap H_k(M) = S \cap H_k(K)$  for  $k > n$ , consequently  $\text{Soc}(H_k(K)) = (S \cap H_k(K)) + \text{Soc}(H_{k+1}(K))$  for every  $k > n$ . Since  $K$  is  $h$ -pure and  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) = \text{Soc}(K)$ , we get  $\text{Soc}(K) = \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(K))$ . Using induction it is easy to see that  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(K)) = (S \cap H_{n+1}(K)) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+m}(K))$  for all  $m \geq 1$ . Thus  $S \cap H_{n+1}(K)$  is  $h$ -dense in  $\text{Soc}(K)$  and is quasi-essential in  $\text{Soc}(K)$  (see Lemma 2.2). Now by Lemma 2.4, either  $S \cap H_{n+1}(K) \subseteq K^1$  or  $S \cap H_{n+1}(K) = \text{Soc}(K)$ . If  $S \cap H_{n+1}(K) \subseteq K^1$ , then as  $S \cap H_{n+1}(K)$  is  $h$ -dense in  $K$ , therefore  $K$  is  $h$ -divisible; consequently  $H_{n+1}(M)$  is  $h$ -divisible. If  $S \cap \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(K)) = \text{Soc}(K)$  then  $S \cap \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) = \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$  and we get  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \subset S$ .

Now we state and prove the main result.

**Theorem 2.6:** If  $M$  is a QTAG-module satisfying condition (A) and  $S$  is a subsocle of  $M$ , then  $S$  is quasi-essential if and only if one of the following conditions holds:

- (i)  $S \subset M^1$ .
- (ii)  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \subseteq S \subseteq \text{Soc}(H_n(M))$  for some  $n \geq 0$ .

**Proof:** The sufficiency follows from [Corollary 2, Corollary 8, 1]. Conversely, suppose  $S$  is quasi-essential. Now if  $\text{Soc}(H_n(M)) \neq (S \cap H_n(M)) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$  for arbitrarily large  $n$ , then by Lemma 2.3,  $S \subset M^1$ . If not so, then there exists  $n \in Z^+$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_n(M)) \neq (S \cap H_n(M)) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$  and equality holds for every  $k > n$ . Thus  $S \subseteq \text{Soc}(H_n(M))$  by Lemma 2.3 and either  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \subseteq S$  or  $H_{n+1}(M)$  is  $h$ -divisible by Lemma 2.5. If  $\text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M)) \subseteq S$ , then the condition (ii) is satisfied. If  $H_{n+1}(M)$  is  $h$ -divisible then every subsocles of  $M$  will support an  $h$ -pure submodule. Thus  $S$  supports an absolute direct summand. Therefore appealing to [Theorem 12, 1], we see that either (i) or (ii) is satisfied.

Appealing to above theorem, the following immediately follows:

**Corollary 2.7:** If  $M$  is a QTAG-module satisfying condition (A) then a submodule  $S$  of  $M$  supports an absolute direct summand if and only if  $S$  is quasi-essential and  $S \subset M^1$  implies  $S \subset D$ , where  $D$  is the maximal  $h$ -divisible submodule of  $M$ .

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