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# Some Decomposition Theorems on QTAG-module

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ABSTRACT. It has been observed by different authors that QTAG-modules behave very much like torsion abelian groups. In this paper, in section 3, we characterize quasi-essential submodules (Theorem 3.9) and further find a characterization for an h-pure submodule to be a direct summand (Theorem 3.11). In section 4, we obtained a necessary and sufficient condition for a submodule to be contained in a minimal h-pure submodule (Theorem 4.3).

**1. Introduction:** Following [9], an unital module  $M_R$  is called QTAG-module if it satisfies the following condition:

(I) Any finitely generated submodule of any homomorphic image of M is a direct sum of uniserial modules.

The structure theory of such modules has been developed by various authors. In section 3, we characterize the quasi-essential submodules and established various conditions under which h-pure submodules are direct summands. In section 4, we obtained necessary and sufficient condition for an h-pure submodules to be a minimal h-pure submodule containing a given submodule.

2. Preliminaries: Rings considered here are with unity  $(1 \neq 0)$  and modules are unital QTAG-module. An element  $x \in M$  is called uniform if xR is a non zero uniform (hence uniserial) submodule of M. For any module  $A_R, d(A)$  denotes the length of the composition series. If  $x \in M$  is uniform then  $e(x) = d(xR), H_M(x) =$  $\sup\{d(yR/xR)/x \in yR \text{ and } y \in M \text{ is a uniform element in } M\}$  are called exponent of x and height of x in M respectively. For any  $n \ge 0, H_n(M) = \{x \in M/H_M(x) \ge n\}$ . A submodule N of M is called h-pure in M if  $H_n(N) = N \cap H_n(M)$  for all n and Mis called h-divisible if  $H_1(M) = M$ . A submodule B of M is called a basic submodule if B is h-pure in M, M/B is h-divisible and B is a direct sum of uniserial submodules. We denote by  $M^1$  as the submodule generated by the uniform elements of infinite height. For other basic concepts of QTAG-module one may see [1,3,4,7,8,9].

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### 3. Quasi-essential Submodules

Firstly we state the following lemmas. Since their proofs are of set theoretic nature, therefore the same is omitted.

**Lemma 3.1:** If M is QTAG-module and  $K \subseteq N \subseteq M$  and T is a complement of K then  $T \cap N$  is complement of K in N. Conversely, if L is complement of K in N, then  $L = T \cap K$  whenever T is complement of K of M containing L.

**Lemma 3.2:** If M is QTAG-module and  $K \subseteq N \subseteq M$ . If T is a complement of K, then every complement of  $T \cap N$  in T is a complement of a complement of N in M.

**Lemma 3.3:** If M is QTAG-module and  $K \subseteq N \subseteq M$  and T is a complement of K in N. Then a submodule L containing T is a complement of K in M if and only if L/T is a complement of N/T in M/T.

**Lemma 3.4:** If M is QTAG-module and N, K are submodules of M such that  $N \cap K = 0$ , then a submodule T containing K is a complement of N in M if and only if T/K is a complement of  $(N \oplus K)/K$  in M/K.

Now we prove few Lemmas which are used later and are of independent interest.

**Lemma 3.5:** If M is QTAG-module and  $K \subseteq N \subseteq T$  are submodules of M and N is h-pure submodules of M. Then T/K is h-pure in M/K if and only if T is h-pure in M.

**Proof:** If T is h-pure in M then trivially T/K is h-pure in M/K. Conversely, let T/K be h-pure in M/K and let f be the canonical map defined as  $f: M/K \longrightarrow M/N$  such that f(x+K) = x + N then ker  $f \subseteq T/K$  and f(T/K) = T/N, therefore T/N is h-pure in M/N. Since N is h-pure in M, so T is h-pure in M.

**Lemma 3.6:** If M is QTAG-module, N is a submodule of M and B is a h-pure, h-dense submodule of N. Then there exists a h-pure, h-dense submodule K of M such that  $K \cap N = B$ .

**Proof:** Since B is h-dense in N, we have  $M/B = N/B \oplus K/B$  for some submodule K of M, then by [Proposition 2.5, 6], K is h-pure in M and trivially  $K \cap N = B$ .

**Proposition 3.7:** Let M be a QTAG-module and S be a subsocle of Soc(M) such that  $S \not\subseteq M^1$ . Let K be a maximal h-pure submodule of M such that  $Soc(K) \subseteq S$ . Then (S + K)/K is contained in the h-reduced part of  $(M/K)^1$ .

**Proof:** Trivially S has at least one element of finite height, therefore, there exists at least one h-pure submodule T of M such that  $Soc(T) \subseteq S$ . Using Zorn's Lemma we get a maximal h-pure submodule K of M such that  $Soc(K) \subseteq S$ . Trivially  $(S + K)/K \subseteq Soc(M/K)$ . If (S + K)/K has an element of finite height then  $M/K = K'/K \oplus L/K$  such that  $Soc(K'/K) \subseteq (S + K)/K$ , hence  $Soc(K') \subseteq S$  and

since K' is *h*-pure in M, we get a contradiction to the maximality of K. Therefore,  $(S+K)/K \subseteq (M/K)^1$ . Since *h*-divisible submodules are absolute summands, therefore, we ultimately get (S+K)/K contained in the *h*-reduced part of  $(M/K)^1$ .

As defined in [5], A submodule N of a QTAG-module M is called quasi-essential of M if M = T + K, where T is a complement of N and K is h-pure submodule of M containing N.

**Proposition 3.8:** If M is a QTAG-module such that  $M = B \oplus D$  where B is bounded and D is h-divisible, then every h-pure submodule K of M is the direct sum of bounded and h-divisible submodule.

**Proof:** Let  $M = B \oplus D$  where B is bounded and D is h-divisible. Let K be an h-pure submodule of M, then  $K \cap D = K^1$ . Let T be a complement of  $K^1$  in K, then  $T \cap D = 0$  and T is therefore bounded. Hence,  $K = T \oplus (K \cap D)$  where  $(K \cap D) \cong K/T$  is h-divisible.

**Proposition 3.9:** If M be a QTAG-module and  $N \subseteq M$ , then N is quasi-essential submodule of M if and only if K/T is an absolute summand of M/T whenever K is a h-pure submodule of M containing N and T is a complement of K.

**Proof:** Let A/T be a complement of K/T in M/T, then by Lemma 3.4, A is a complement of N and if N is quasi-essential, then we get M = A + K. Therefore,  $M/T = A/T \oplus K/T$ . Conversely, let A be a complement of N in M, then by Lemma 3.2,  $A \cap K$  is a complement of N in K. Hence,  $K/(A \cap K)$  is an absolute summand of  $M/(A \cap K)$  and by Lemma 3.4,  $A/(A \cap K)$  is a complement of  $K/(A \cap K)$  in  $M/(A \cap K)$ . Therefore,  $M/(A \cap K) = A/(A \cap K) \oplus K/(A \cap K)$  and we get M = A + K. Therefore, N is quasi-essential submodule of M.

**Theorem 3.10:** If M is a QTAG-module and S is a subsocle of  $M^1$ . Then every h-pure submodule of M containing S is summand of M if and only if M is a direct sum of a bounded submodule and h-divisible submodule.

**Proof:** Let K be a complement of  $M^1$ , then K is h-pure and M/K is h-divisible [Theorem 7 and Proposition 13, 1]. If K is unbounded then K contains a proper basic submodule B of K and hence,  $M/B = K/B \oplus T/B$  where T can be chosen to contain  $M^1$  as  $K \cap M^1 = 0$ . Appealing to [Proposition 2.5, 6], T is h-pure submodule of M and  $S \subseteq T$ . Therefore,  $M = T \oplus A$  and A is h-divisible, which is a contradiction. Hence, K is bounded and therefore, K is a summand of M i.e.  $M = K \oplus D$  where D is h-divisible. For the converse we refer to Proposition 3.8.

**Theorem 3.11:** If M is a QTAG-module and S is a subsocle of M. Then the following are equivalent:

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- (i)  $S \supseteq Soc(M^1)$  and every *h*-pure submodule of *M* containing *S* is a summand of *M*.
- (ii) Every h-pure submodule of M containing S is a cobounded summand of M.
- (iii)  $S \supseteq Soc(H_n(M))$ , for some positive integer n.

**Proof:** We establish (ii)  $\rightarrow$  (i)  $\rightarrow$  (iii)  $\rightarrow$  (iii)

(ii)  $\rightarrow$  (i) Let x be a uniform element in  $Soc(M^1)$  and  $x \notin S$ , then  $xR \cap S = 0$ . Embedding S into a complement K of xR. Then K is h-pure submodule of M and M/K is h-divisible, which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $x \in S$  and we get  $Soc(M^1) \subseteq S$ .

(i)  $\rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $S = M^1$ , then by Theorem 3.10,  $M = B \oplus D$  where B is bounded and D is h-divisible. Let  $H_n(B) = 0$ , then clearly  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq S$ . Let  $S \neq M^1$  and K be a maximal h-pure submodule of M such that  $Soc(K) \subseteq S$ , then by Proposition 3.7,  $(K + S)/K \subseteq (M/K)^1$ . Now every h-pure submodule A/K of M/K containing (K + S)/K is a summand of M/K as A is h-pure submodule of M containing S. Hence, M/K is a direct sum of a bounded submodule and a h-divisible submodule. Thus M/K is h-pure complete, which is a contradiction. Therefore, Soc(K) = S and M/K is bounded. Hence, for some n,  $H_n(M/K) = 0$  and we get  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq S$ .

(iii)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Let K be a h-pure submodule of M such that  $S \subseteq K$ , then  $H_n(M) \subseteq K$  and hence, K is a cobounded summand of M.

**Corollary 3.12:** If M is a h-reduced QTAG-module and S is a subsocle of M, then every h-pure submodule K of M containing S is summand of M if and only if  $S \supseteq Soc(H_n(M))$  for some n.

**Proof:** Due to above Theorem it is sufficient to show that  $Soc(M^1) \subseteq S$ . Let x be a uniform element in  $Soc(M^1)$  and let  $x \notin S$ . Let K be a complement of xR and  $S \subseteq K$  then by [Theorem 7 and Proposition 13, 1], K is *h*-pure submodule of M and  $M = K \oplus D$  where  $M/K \cong D$  is *h*-divisible, which is a contradiction as M is *h*-reduced. Therefore,  $x \in S$  and we get  $Soc(M^1) \subseteq S$ .

**Proposition 3.13:** If M is QTAG-module and N is a submodule of M such that no proper h-pure submodule contains N. Then every h-pure submodule containing Soc(N) is a cobounded summand of M.

**Proof:** Let T be a submodule of M such that  $T \cap N = 0$ , then T is bounded, since otherwise T will contain a proper basic submodule B and we will have  $M/B = T/B \oplus K/B$ . Appealing to [Proposition 2.5, 6], we get K to be h-pure submodule containing N, which is a contradiction. Now let A be a h-pure submodule of M such that  $Soc(N) \subset A$ , then M/A has a bounded basic submodule. Otherwise, if B/A is unbounded basic submodule of M/A, then  $B = A \oplus L$  where  $L \cong B/A$  and  $A \cap N = 0$ , which is a contradiction as L is unbounded. Therefore,  $M/A = B/A \oplus D/A$  where B/A is bounded and D/A is h-divisible. Now we show that D/A = 0. Let  $D/A \neq 0$ , then M/B is h-divisible and B is h-pure submodule of M. This implies that Soc(B)

is proper dense in Soc(M) and  $Soc(N) \subseteq Soc(B)$ , which is a contradiction. Hence, M/A is bounded. As A is h-pure in M, A is a summand of M.

**Corollary 3.14:** If M is QTAG-module and N is a submodule of M and T is a minimal h-pure submodule of M containing N. Then  $T = B \oplus K$  where B is bounded and Soc(K) = Soc(N).

**Proof:** Appealing to Proposition 3.13 and Theorem 3.11, we see that Soc(N) supports an *h*-pure submodule *K* of *T* and T/K is bounded. Therefore,  $T = B \oplus K$ .

Let M be a QTAG-module satisfying

(\*)  $M/K = B/K \oplus D/K$  where B/K is bounded and D/K is *h*-divisible, whenever K is *h*-pure submodule of M containing  $M^1$ .

**Definition 3.15:** A QTAG-module M is called essentially finitely indecomposable (e.f.i) if it has no unbounded direct sum of uniserial submodules summand.

**Theorem 3.16:** If M is a QTAG-module and if M satisfies  $(\star)$ , then every h-pure submodule of M containing  $M^1$  is e.f.i.

**Proof:** Let A be h-pure submodule of M containing  $M^1$ , then A satisfies (\*), because if K is h-pure submodule of A containing  $A^1 = M^1$ , then A/K is h-pure submodule of M/K and the assertion follows from Proposition 3.8. Therefore, A satisfies (\*). Now let A be not e.f.i, then  $A = S \oplus T$  where S is unbounded direct sum of uniserial submodules. Therefore, T is h-pure submodule of A containing  $A^1$  and A/T is unbounded, a contradiction. Hence, A is e.f.i.

In the last of this section we prove the following result which is of independent interest.

Let us consider one more condition as mentioned below

(A) For any finitely generated submodule N of M, R/ann(N) is right artinian.

**Theorem 3.17:** If M is a QTAG-module satisfying condition (A) and N is a quasiessential submodule of M such that  $Soc(N) \not\subseteq M^1$ . Then every *h*-pure submodule Kof M containing N is a cobounded summand of M.

**Proof:** Let K be h-pure submodule of M with  $N \subseteq K$ , then by Proposition 3.9, K/T is an absolute summand of M/T where T is any complement of N in K. Since  $Soc(N) \not\subseteq M^1$ , then [Corollary 10, 8] implies that K/T is not h-divisible for some complement T of N in K, as  $K^1 \subseteq M^1$ . Now appealing to [Theorem 12, 5], there exists a positive integer n such that

 $Soc(H_{n+1}(M/T)) \subseteq Soc(K/T) \subseteq Soc(H_n(M/T))$ 

Therefore,  $Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) \subseteq K$  and as K is h-pure we get  $H_{n+1}(M) \subseteq K$  [Lemma 2, 3]. Hence, K is cobounded summand of M.

## 4. Minimal *h*-pure Submodule

**Definition 4.1:** A submodule N of a QTAG-module M is called almost dense in M if for every h-pure submodule K of M containing N, M/K is h-divisible.

**Theorem 4.2:** Let N be a submodule of a QTAG-module M. Then there is no proper h-pure submodule of M containing N if and only if N is almost dense in M and  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq N$  for some n.

**Proof:** Let N be almost dense in M and  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq N$ . Let K be a h-pure submodule of M such that  $N \subseteq K$ , then  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq K$  and hence by [Lemma 2, 3],  $H_n(M) \subseteq K$ , consequently M/K is bounded but it is also h-divisible which is not possible and we get M/K = 0 i.e. M = K. Conversely, if no proper h-pure submodule of M contains N, clearly N is almost h-dense in M and by Theorem 3.11 and Proposition 3.13, we get  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq N$  for some positive integer n.

Now we prove the following useful criterion:

**Theorem 4.3:** Let N be a submodule of a QTAG-module M. Then N is contained in a minimal h-pure submodule of M if and only if there exists a h-pure submodule K of M such that  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq N \subseteq K$  for some  $n \in Z^+$ .

**Proof:** If N is contained in a minimal h-pure submodule of M then the result follows from [Theorem 6, 7]. Conversely, suppose that there exists an h-pure submodule K of M such that  $Soc(H_n(M)) \subseteq N \subseteq K$  for some  $n \in Z^+$ . If n = 0, then trivially K itself is an h-pure submodule containing N. If  $n \ge 1$ , then for every h-pure submodule T of K containing N, we define  $E(T) = \{l \ge 1/Soc(T_{l-1}) \not\subseteq N + H_l(T)\}$  and set m(T) = 0if  $E(T) = \phi$  and  $m(T) = max\{m \in E(T)\}$  if  $E(T) \ne \phi$ . Trivially,  $m(T) \le n$  and therefore, there exists an h-pure submodule A of M containing N for which m(A) is minimal. Now by [Lemma 4, 7], we see that m(A) = 0 i.e.  $A \supseteq N \supseteq Soc(H_n(A))$  and  $Soc(H_{l-1}(A)) \subseteq N + H_l(A)$  for all  $l \ge 1$ . Hence, by [Theorem 6, 7], A is a minimal h-pure submodule of M containing N.

**Theorem 4.4:** If N is a submodule of a QTAG-module such that M/N is a direct sum of uniserial submodules. If K is minimal h-pure submodule of M containing N then M/K is also a direct sum of uniserial submodules.

**Proof:** By Theorem 4.3, there exists  $n \in Z^+$  such that  $Soc(H_n(K)) \subseteq N$ . Since K is *h*-pure in M, therefore by [Lemma 2.7, 6],  $Soc(H_n(M/K)) = (Soc(H_n(M)) + K)/K$ . It is trivial to see that the natural homomorphism  $f : M/N \longrightarrow M/K$  defined by f(x+N) = x+K is onto and maps  $(Soc(H_n(M))+N)/N$  onto  $(Soc(H_n(M))+K)/K$ . Since we know that homomorphism never decreases heights. We show that f is height

preserving. Let x be a uniform element in  $Soc(H_n(M))$  and  $x + K \in (Soc(H_n(M)) + K)/K$ , then we can find a uniform element  $y \in Soc(H_n(M))$  such that x + K = y + K, then trivially  $x - y \in Soc(K)$  and as K is h-pure,  $x - y \in Soc(H_n(K)) \subseteq N$ . Hence,  $x + N = y + N \in (Soc(H_n(M)) + N)/N$  and we get  $H_{M/K}(x + K) \leq H_{M/N}(x + N)$ . Since  $(Soc(H_n(M)) + N)/N$  is the union of the ascending chain of submodules of bounded height in M/N,  $(Soc(H_n(M)) + K)/K$  is also the union of an ascending chain of submodules of bounded height in M/K. Thus,  $H_n(M/K)$  is a direct sum of uniserial submodules.

Finally we prove the following:

**Theorem 4.5:** If N is a submodule of a basic submodule B of a QTAG-module M. If N is contained in a minimal h-pure submodule K of M, then K is a direct sum of uniserial submodules.

**Proof:** Since  $N \subseteq B$  and K is h-pure submodule of M, then using [Theorem 4, 2], N can be extended to a basic submodule A of K. Since K is minimal h-pure containing N, A = K and therefore, K is direct sum of uniserial submodules.

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