

GOLDIE EXTENDING MODULES AND GENERALIZATIONS OF QUASI-CONTINUOUS MODULES

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Abstract. A module M is said to be *quasi-continuous* if it is extending with the condition (C_3) (cf. [7], [10]). In this paper, by using the notion of a \mathcal{G} -extending module which is defined by E. Akalan, G. F. Birkenmeier and A. Tercan [1], we introduce a generalization of quasi-continuous “a GQC(generalized quasi-continuous)-module” and investigate some properties of GQC-modules. Initially we give some properties of a relative ejectivity which is useful in analyzing the structure of \mathcal{G} -extending modules and GQC-modules (cf. [1]). And we apply them to the study of direct sums of GQC-modules. We also prove that any direct summand of a GQC-module with the finite internal exchange property is GQC. Moreover, we show that a module M is \mathcal{G} -extending modules with (C_3) if and only if it is GQC-module with the finite internal exchange property.

1 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper R is a ring with identity and all modules considered are unitary right R -modules. A submodule X of a module M is said to be *essential* in M or an *essential submodule* of M , if $X \cap Y \neq 0$ for any non-zero submodule Y of M and we write $X \subseteq_e M$ in this case. $X <_{\oplus} M$ means that X is a direct summand of M . Let $M = A \oplus B$ and let $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism. Then $\langle A \xrightarrow{\varphi} B \rangle = \{a - \varphi(a) \mid a \in A\}$ is a submodule of M . Note that $M = A \oplus B = \langle A \xrightarrow{\varphi} B \rangle \oplus B$.

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Let $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ be a family of modules. The direct sum decomposition $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$ is said to be *exchangeable* if, for any direct summand X of M , there exists $\overline{M}_i \subseteq M_i$ ($i \in I$) such that $M = X \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I} \overline{M}_i)$. A module M is said to have the *finite internal exchange property (FIEP)* if, any finite direct sum decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ is exchangeable.

A module M is said to be *extending* if, for any submodule X of M , there exists a direct summand A of M such that X is essential in A . A module M is said to be *\mathcal{G} -extending* or *Goldie extending* if, for any submodule X of M , there exist an essential submodule X' of X and a direct summand A of M such that X' is essential in A . A module M is said to be *\mathcal{G}^+ -extending* if any direct summand of M is \mathcal{G} -extending (cf. [1]). From [6], \mathcal{G} -extending modules with FIEP are \mathcal{G}^+ -extending. Now we consider the following condition:

(C₃) If A and B are direct summands of M such that $A \cap B = 0$, then $A \oplus B$ is a direct summand of M .

A module M is said to be *quasi-continuous* if M is extending with (C₃) (cf. [7], [10]). We obtain that M is a quasi-continuous module if and only if, for every submodules X_1 and X_2 of M with $X_1 \cap X_2 = 0$, there exists a decomposition $M = A_1 \oplus A_2$ such that $X_i \subseteq A_i$ ($i = 1, 2$) (cf. [15, pp. 367–368]). Motivated by this result, we introduce a generalization of a quasi-continuous module as follows:

A module M is said to be *GQC (generalized quasi-continuous)* if, for every submodules X_1 and X_2 with $X_1 \cap X_2 = 0$, there exist an essential submodule $X'_i \subseteq_e X_i$ and a decomposition $M = A_1 \oplus A_2$ such that X'_i is a submodule of A_i ($i = 1, 2$). Note that any GQC-module is \mathcal{G} -extending (cf. Proposition 2.3).

Let $M_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$. $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ are GQC-modules, but M is not GQC (cf. Proposition 2.6). Hence a direct sum of GQC-modules need not be GQC. Moreover, it is unknown to the author whether or not the property GQC is inherited by direct summands.

In this paper, our main purpose is to show the following:

(I) Let M_1 and M_2 be GQC-modules with FIEP and put $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$. Then M is a GQC-module with FIEP if and only if M_i is M_j -ejective ($i \neq j$) and the decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ is exchangeable.

(II) If M is a GQC-module with FIEP, then A is GQC for any direct summand A of M .

(III) A module M is \mathcal{G} -extending with (C₃) if and only if it is GQC with FIEP.

For undefined terminologies, the reader is referred to [2], [3], [7] and [15].

Many of the following lemmas can be found in the cited literature, but we list them here for easy reference.

LEMMA 1.1. *Let M be a module with a decomposition $M = A \oplus B$ and let X be a submodule of M . If $A \cap X \subseteq_e A$, then $X \cong_e (A \cap X) \oplus (B \cap X)$.*

PROOF. By [11, Lemma 2.2]. □

LEMMA 1.2. *Let $M = A \oplus B$, $C \subseteq A$ and let $f : C \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism. If $X \subseteq_e \langle C \xrightarrow{f} B \rangle$, then there exists $C' \subseteq_e C$ such that $X = \langle C' \xrightarrow{f|_{C'}} B \rangle$.*

PROOF. Evident. □

LEMMA 1.3. *If $M = A \oplus B = X \oplus Y \oplus B$, then there exists a homomorphism $\alpha : X \oplus Y \rightarrow B$ such that $A = \langle X \oplus Y \xrightarrow{\alpha} B \rangle = \langle X \xrightarrow{\alpha|_X} B \rangle \oplus \langle Y \xrightarrow{\alpha|_Y} B \rangle$.*

PROOF. Let $p_1 : M = X \oplus Y \oplus B \rightarrow X \oplus Y$ and $p_2 : M = X \oplus Y \oplus B \rightarrow B$ be the projections. Define $\alpha : p_1(A) \rightarrow p_2(A)$ by $\alpha(p_1(a)) = p_2(a)$, where $a \in A$. Then $A = \langle X \oplus Y \xrightarrow{\alpha} B \rangle = \langle X \xrightarrow{\alpha|_X} B \rangle \oplus \langle Y \xrightarrow{\alpha|_Y} B \rangle$. □

LEMMA 1.4 (cf. [4], [9, Proposition 2.5]). *Let $M = A \oplus B$. Then M has FIEP if and only if A and B have FIEP and the decomposition $M = A \oplus B$ is exchangeable.*

Let A and B be modules. A is said to be *essentially B -injective* if, for any submodule X of B and any homomorphism $f : X \rightarrow A$ with $\ker f \subseteq_e X$, there exists a homomorphism $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $g|_X = f$.

LEMMA 1.5. *Let A and B be modules. If A is essentially B -injective, then A' is essentially B' -injective for any $A' \leq_{\oplus} A$ and any $B' \subseteq B$.*

PROOF. By [3, 2.15]. □

2 Ejective Modules and GQC-modules

Firstly, we recall a generalization of relative injectivity which is introduced by E. Akalan, G. F. Birkenmeier and A. Tercan [1].

DEFINITION. Let A and B be modules. A is said to be B -ejective if, for any submodule X of B and any homomorphism $f : X \rightarrow A$, there exist an essential submodule X' of X and a homomorphism $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $g|_{X'} = f|_{X'}$.

Now we consider some properties of relative ejectivities.

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let A, B, A_i and B_i ($i = 1, 2$) be modules.

- (1) If A is B -ejective, then A' is B' -ejective for any $A' <_{\oplus} A$ and $B' \subseteq B$.
- (2) If A is B_i -ejective ($i = 1, 2$), then A is $B_1 \oplus B_2$ -ejective.
- (3) If A_i is B -ejective ($i = 1, 2$), then $A_1 \oplus A_2$ is B -ejective.

PROOF. (1) is clear.

(2) Put $B = B_1 \oplus B_2$, let X be a submodule of B and let $f : X \rightarrow A$ be a homomorphism. Let Y be a complement of X in B . Define $f^* : X \oplus Y \rightarrow A$ by $f^*(x + y) = f(x)$, where $x \in X$ and $y \in Y$. By $X \oplus Y \subseteq_e B$, $(X \oplus Y) \cap B_i \subseteq_e B_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Since A is B_i -ejective ($i = 1, 2$), there exist an essential submodule B'_i of $(X \oplus Y) \cap B_i$ and a homomorphism $g_i : B_i \rightarrow A$ such that $g_i|_{B'_i} = f^*|_{B'_i}$ ($i = 1, 2$). By $B'_1 \oplus B'_2 \subseteq_e X \oplus Y$, we see $(B'_1 \oplus B'_2) \cap X \subseteq_e X$. Put $g = g_1 + g_2 : B \rightarrow A$. Let $x = b'_1 + b'_2 \in (B'_1 \oplus B'_2) \cap X$, where $b'_i \in B'_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Then

$$f(x) = f^*(x) = f^*(b'_1) + f^*(b'_2) = g_1(b'_1) + g_2(b'_2) = g(b'_1 + b'_2) = g(x).$$

Thus A is B -ejective.

(3) Put $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$, let X be a submodule of B and let $f : X \rightarrow A$ be a homomorphism. Let $p_i : A \rightarrow A_i$ be the projection ($i = 1, 2$). Since A_i is B -ejective, for $p_i f : X \rightarrow A_i$, there exist an essential submodule X_i of X and a homomorphism $g_i : B \rightarrow A_i$ such that $g_i|_{X_i} = p_i f|_{X_i}$ ($i = 1, 2$). By $X_i \subseteq_e X$ ($i = 1, 2$), $X_1 \cap X_2 \subseteq_e X$. Put $g = g_1 + g_2 : B \rightarrow A$. Then, for any $x \in X_1 \cap X_2$,

$$f(x) = p_1 f(x) + p_2 f(x) = g_1(x) + g_2(x) = g(x).$$

Thus A is B -ejective. □

Let A and B be modules. A is said to be *mono- B -injective* if, for any submodule X of B and any monomorphism $f : X \rightarrow A$, there exists a homomorphism $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $g|_X = f$ (cf. [5]). The following is a connection between relative mono-injectivities and relative ejectivities.

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let A be a module and let B be a \mathcal{G} -extending module. If A is *mono- B -injective*, then A is B -ejective.

PROOF. Let X be a submodule of B and let $f : X \rightarrow A$ be a homomorphism. As B is \mathcal{G} -extending, there exist an essential submodule K of $\ker f$ and a decomposition $B = B_1 \oplus B_2$ such that $K \subseteq_e B_1$. By Lemma 1.1, $X \cong_e K \oplus (B_2 \cap X)$. Then $f|_{B_2 \cap X}$ is a monomorphism. Since A is mono- B_2 -injective, there exists a homomorphism $g : B_2 \rightarrow A$ with $g|_{B_2 \cap X} = f|_{B_2 \cap X}$. Define $h : B \rightarrow A$ by $h(b_1 + b_2) = g(b_2)$, where $b_i \in B_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Let $k + b_2 \in K \oplus (B_2 \cap X)$, where $k \in K$ and $b_2 \in B_2 \cap X$. Then $h(k + b_2) = g(b_2) = f(b_2) = f(k + b_2)$. Hence A is B -ejective. \square

Now we show that any GQC-module is \mathcal{G} -extending.

PROPOSITION 2.3. *If M is a GQC-module, then it is \mathcal{G} -extending.*

PROOF. Let M be a GQC-module and let X be a submodule of M . Let Y be a complement of X in M . By $X \cap Y = 0$, there exist essential submodules X' of X and Y' of Y and a decomposition $M = A \oplus B$ such that $X' \subseteq A$ and $Y' \subseteq B$. Then $X' = (X' \oplus Y') \cap A \subseteq_e M \cap A = A$. Thus M is \mathcal{G} -extending. \square

PROPOSITION 2.4. *If M is a \mathcal{G} -extending module with (C_3) , then it is GQC.*

PROOF. Obvious. \square

By [1, Example 3.20], $M_{\mathbf{Z}} = \mathbf{Q} \oplus \mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ is a \mathcal{G} -extending module with (C_3) but not quasi-continuous, where p is a prime number.

Now we give a characterization for any direct summand of a GQC-module to be GQC.

PROPOSITION 2.5. *If M is a GQC-module with FIEP, then A is GQC for any direct summand A of M .*

PROOF. Let A be a direct summand of M and let X and Y be submodules of A with $X \cap Y = 0$. As M is GQC, there exist essential submodules X' of X and Y' of Y and a decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that $X' \subseteq M_1$ and $Y' \subseteq M_2$. Since M satisfies FIEP, there exists a direct summand M'_i of M_i ($i = 1, 2$) such that $M = A \oplus M'_1 \oplus M'_2$. Put $M_i = M'_i \oplus M''_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). By Lemma 1.3, there exists a homomorphism $\alpha : M''_1 \oplus M''_2 \rightarrow M'_1 \oplus M'_2$ such

that $A = \langle M_1'' \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{M_1''}} M_1' \oplus M_2' \rangle \oplus \langle M_2'' \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{M_2''}} M_1' \oplus M_2' \rangle$. By $X' \subseteq A \cap M_1$, $X' \subseteq \langle M_1'' \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{M_1''}} M_1' \oplus M_2' \rangle$. Similarly, we obtain $Y' \subseteq \langle M_2'' \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{M_2''}} M_1' \oplus M_2' \rangle$. Thus A is GQC. \square

Let M be a finitely generated torsion-free abelian group with rank ≥ 2 . Then M is (\mathcal{G} -)extending but not satisfy FIEP (cf. [3, p. 56]). For \mathcal{G} -extending modules with FIEP, we can give a characterization of GQC-module in a term of a relative ejectivity as follows:

PROPOSITION 2.6. *Let M be a \mathcal{G} -extending module with FIEP. Then M is GQC if and only if A is B -ejective for any decomposition $M = A \oplus B$.*

PROOF. (\Rightarrow) Let $M = A \oplus B$, let X be a submodule of B and let $f : X \rightarrow A$ be a homomorphism. As B is \mathcal{G} -extending, there exist an essential submodule X' of X and a decomposition $B = B_1 \oplus B_2$ such that $X' \subseteq_e B_1$. By Proposition 2.5, $A \oplus B_1$ is GQC and so we may assume that $X \subseteq_e B$.

By $\langle X \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle \cap A = 0$, there exist essential submodules T of $\langle X \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle$ and L of A and a decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that $T \subseteq M_1$ and $L \subseteq M_2$. By $\langle X \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle \oplus A = X \oplus A \subseteq_e M$, we see $T \subseteq_e M_1$ and $L \subseteq_e M_2$. Since M satisfies FIEP, there exists $M'_i \subseteq M_i$ ($i = 1, 2$) such that $M = A \oplus M'_1 \oplus M'_2$. By $L \subseteq_e M_2 \cap A$, we get $M'_2 = 0$ and so $M = A \oplus M'_1$. By $A \oplus M_1 \subseteq_e M$, we obtain $M = A \oplus M_1$. By Lemma 1.3, there exists a homomorphism $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $M_1 = \langle B \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle$.

As $T \subseteq_e \langle X \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle$, by Lemma 1.2, there exists an essential submodule X' of X such that $T = \langle X' \xrightarrow{f|_{X'}} A \rangle$. Thus $\langle X' \xrightarrow{f|_{X'}} A \rangle = T \subseteq_e M_1 = \langle B \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle$. Then, for any $x' \in X'$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $x' - f(x') = b - g(b)$. By $x' = b$ and $f(x') = g(b)$, we obtain $g(x') = f(x')$. Therefore A is B -ejective.

(\Leftarrow) Let X and Y be submodules of M with $X \cap Y = 0$. As M is \mathcal{G} -extending, there exist an essential submodule X' of X and a decomposition $M = A \oplus B$ such that $X' \subseteq_e A$. Let $p_A : M = A \oplus B \rightarrow A$ and $p_B : M = A \oplus B \rightarrow B$ be the projections. By $Y \cap A = 0$, we can define a homomorphism $f : p_B(Y) \rightarrow p_A(Y)$ by $f(p_B(y)) = p_A(y)$, where $y \in Y$. Since A is B -ejective, there exist an essential submodule B' of $p_B(Y)$ and a homomorphism $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $g|_{B'} = f|_{B'}$. Then we see

$$\langle B' \xrightarrow{f|_{B'}} A \rangle \subseteq_e \langle p_B(Y) \xrightarrow{f} p_A(Y) \rangle = Y \quad \text{and} \quad \langle B' \xrightarrow{f|_{B'}} A \rangle \subseteq \langle B \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle.$$

Thus M is GQC. \square

LEMMA 2.9 ([1, Theorem 3.1]). *Let A and B be \mathcal{G} -extending modules and put $M = A \oplus B$. If A is B -ejective, then M is \mathcal{G} -extending. In general, the converse is not true.*

The following is an immediate consequence of Proposition 2.2 and Lemma 2.9.

COROLLARY 2.10. *Let A and B be \mathcal{G} -extending modules and put $M = A \oplus B$. If A is mono- B -injective, then M is \mathcal{G} -extending.*

By Proposition 2.6 and Lemma 2.9, we obtain the following result.

THEOREM 2.11. *Let M_1 and M_2 be GQC-modules with FIEP and put $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$. Then M is a GQC-module with FIEP if and only if M_i is M_j -ejective ($i \neq j$) and the decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ is exchangeable.*

PROOF. (\Rightarrow) By Proposition 2.6.

(\Leftarrow) By Lemmas 1.4 and 2.9, M is \mathcal{G} -extending with FIEP. By Proposition 2.6, we may prove that A is B -ejective for any decomposition $M = A \oplus B$. Let $M = A \oplus B$. Since the decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ is exchangeable, there exists $M'_i \subseteq M_i$ ($i = 1, 2$) such that $M = A \oplus M'_1 \oplus M'_2$. Put $M_i = M'_i \oplus M''_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Then

$$A \simeq M''_1 \oplus M''_2 \quad \text{and} \quad B \simeq M'_1 \oplus M'_2.$$

As M_i is GQC-module with FIEP, by Proposition 2.6, M''_i is M'_i -ejective ($i = 1, 2$). By Proposition 2.1, we see that $M''_1 \oplus M''_2$ is $M'_1 \oplus M'_2$ -ejective. Hence A is B -ejective. Thus M is a GQC-module with FIEP. \square

By results above, we can easily prove the following result which is well known:

COROLLARY 2.12 ([7, Theorem 2.13]). *Let M_1 and M_2 be quasi-continuous modules and put $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$. Then M is quasi-continuous if and only if M_i is M_j -injective ($i \neq j$).*

PROOF. (\Rightarrow) By Theorem 2.11 and [4, Proposition 1.4 and Theorem 2.1], M_i is M_j -ejective and essentially M_j -injective ($i \neq j$). Thus M_i is M_j -injective ($i \neq j$) by [6, Proposition 2.2].

(\Leftarrow) By [4, Proposition 1.4, Theorems 2.1 and 2.15], we see that M is extending with FIEP and A is essentially B -injective for any decomposition $M = A \oplus B$. Thus, by Proposition 2.7 and Theorem 2.11, M is quasi-continuous. \square

3 \mathcal{G} -extending Modules with (C_3)

Firstly we recall the condition (C_{11}) from [12], which can be considered as a generalization of \mathcal{G} -extending.

DEFINITION (cf. [12]). Let M be a module. M is said to be a (C_{11}) -module if any submodule X of M has a complement which is a direct summand of M .

From [13, Example 4], there exists a (C_{11}) -module which has a direct summand that does not satisfy (C_{11}) . However, any direct summand of (C_{11}) -modules with (C_3) satisfies (C_{11}) .

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let M be a (C_{11}) -module with (C_3) and let A be a direct summand of M . Then A is a (C_{11}) -module with (C_3) .*

PROOF. Let M be a (C_{11}) -module with (C_3) and let $M = A \oplus B$. From [7, Proposition 2.7], we may show that A satisfies (C_{11}) . Let X be a submodule of A . Since M satisfies (C_{11}) , there exists a direct summand N of M such that $(X \oplus B) \oplus N \subseteq_e M$. By (C_3) , $B \oplus N$ is a direct summand of M . Put $M = T \oplus N \oplus B$. By Lemma 1.3, there exists a homomorphism $\alpha: T \oplus N \rightarrow B$ such that $A = \langle T \xrightarrow{\alpha|_T} B \rangle \oplus \langle N \xrightarrow{\alpha|_N} B \rangle$. Put $A_1 = \langle T \xrightarrow{\alpha|_T} B \rangle$ and $A_2 = (N \oplus B) \cap A$. Then we see $M = A_1 \oplus N \oplus B$ and $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$.

Now we prove that $X \oplus A_2 \subseteq_e A$. Given $0 \neq a \in A$ and express a in $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$ as $a = a_1 + a_2$ ($a_i \in A_i$). If $a_1 = 0$, then $0 \neq a = a_2 \in A_2$. Let $a_1 \neq 0$. By $X \oplus B \oplus N \subseteq_e M$, there exists $r \in R$ such that $0 \neq a_1 r = x + b + n$ for some $x \in X$, $b \in B$ and $n \in N$. So $n + b = a_1 r - x \in (N \oplus B) \cap A = A_2$. Thus $0 \neq ar = a_1 r + a_2 r = x + (b + n + a_2 r) \in X \oplus A_2$. Hence $X \oplus A_2 \subseteq_e A$.

Therefore A_2 is a complement of X in A . \square

Now we consider the following conditions for a module M (cf. [1], [14]):

- (*) For any decomposition $M = A \oplus B$, A is B -ejective.
- (SIP) For any direct summands A and B of M , $A \cap B$ is a direct summand.

PROPOSITION 3.2. *If M is module with the conditions (*) and (SIP), then M satisfies (C_3) .*

PROOF. Let A and B be direct summands of M with $A \cap B = 0$. Put $M = A \oplus C$. Let $p_A : M \rightarrow A$ and $p_C : M \rightarrow C$ be the projections. Define $f : p_C(B) \rightarrow p_A(B)$ by $f(p_C(b)) = p_A(b)$, where $b \in B$. Since A is C -ejective, there exist an essential submodule C' of $p_C(B)$ and a homomorphism $g : C \rightarrow A$ such that $g|_{C'} = f|_{C'}$. Then

$$\langle C' \xrightarrow{f|_{C'}} A \rangle \subseteq \langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle C' \xrightarrow{f|_{C'}} A \rangle \subseteq_e \langle p_C(B) \xrightarrow{f} p_A(B) \rangle = B.$$

So we see $\langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle \cap B \subseteq_e B$. By (SIP), $\langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle \cap B$ is a direct summand of M and hence $\langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle \cap B = B$. As $B \subseteq \langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle$, there exists a direct summand T of M such that $\langle C \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle = B \oplus T$. Thus $M = A \oplus B \oplus T$. \square

Next we show that any (C_{11}) -module with (*) is \mathcal{G} -extending.

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let M be a module with (*). Then M is \mathcal{G} -extending if and only if M satisfies (C_{11}) .*

PROOF. (\Rightarrow) is clear.

(\Leftarrow) Let X be a submodule of M . Then there exists a direct summand A of M such that A is a complement of X in M . Put $M = A \oplus B$. By the similar proof of Proposition 3.2, there exist an essential submodule B' of B and homomorphisms $f : B' \rightarrow A$, $g : B \rightarrow A$ such that

$$\langle B' \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle \subseteq_e \langle B \xrightarrow{g} A \rangle <_{\oplus} M \quad \text{and} \quad \langle B' \xrightarrow{f} A \rangle \subseteq_e X.$$

Thus M is \mathcal{G} -extending. \square

Now we show that a \mathcal{G} -extending module with (C_3) is just GQC with FIEP.

THEOREM 3.4. *Let M be a module. Then*

- (1) *If M is \mathcal{G} -extending with (C_3) , then any direct summand of M is \mathcal{G} -extending.*
- (2) *M is \mathcal{G} -extending with (C_3) if and only if it is GQC with FIEP.*

PROOF. (1) Let $M = A \oplus B$ and let X be a submodule of A . Since M is \mathcal{G} -extending, there exist an essential submodule X' of X and a direct summand X^* of M such that $X' \subseteq_e X^*$. As $X^* \cap B = 0$, $X^* \oplus B <_{\oplus} M$. So there exists a direct summand K of M such that $M = X^* \oplus K \oplus B$. By Lemma 1.3, there exists a homomorphism $\alpha: X^* \oplus K \rightarrow B$ such that $A = \langle X^* \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{X^*}} B \rangle \oplus \langle K \xrightarrow{\alpha|_K} B \rangle$. By $X' \subseteq_e A \cap X^* \subseteq \ker \alpha$ and $X' \subseteq_e X^*$, we see

$$X' \subseteq_e \langle X^* \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{X^*}} B \rangle.$$

Thus A is \mathcal{G} -extending.

(2) (\Rightarrow) From [8, Proposition 16] (cf. [4, Theorem 2.15]), we may show that any decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ is exchangeable. Let $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ and let X be a direct summand of M . By (1), M_i is \mathcal{G} -extending and hence there exist an essential submodule X'_i of $M_i \cap X$ and a decomposition $M_i = A_i \oplus B_i$ such that $X'_i \subseteq_e A_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). By Lemma 1.1, $X \supseteq_e X'_1 \oplus X'_2 \oplus (B_1 \oplus B_2) \cap X$. As $B_1 \oplus B_2$ is \mathcal{G} -extending, there exist an essential submodule Y of $(B_1 \oplus B_2) \cap X$ and a direct summand T of $B_1 \oplus B_2$ with $Y \subseteq_e T$. By $B_1 \cap X = 0$, we see $B_1 \cap T = 0$. Thus $B_1 \oplus T$ is a direct summand of $B_1 \oplus B_2$. Put $B_1 \oplus B_2 = L \oplus T \oplus B_1$. By Lemma 1.3, there exists a homomorphism $\alpha: L \oplus T \rightarrow B_1$ such that $B_2 = \langle L \xrightarrow{\alpha|_L} B_1 \rangle \oplus \langle T \xrightarrow{\alpha|_T} B_1 \rangle$. Put $B'_2 = \langle L \xrightarrow{\alpha|_L} B_1 \rangle$. Then $B_1 \oplus B_2 = T \oplus B_1 \oplus B'_2$. Thus we see

$$X \supseteq_e X'_1 \oplus X'_2 \oplus Y \quad \text{and} \quad A_1 \oplus A_2 \oplus T \supseteq_e X'_1 \oplus X'_2 \oplus Y.$$

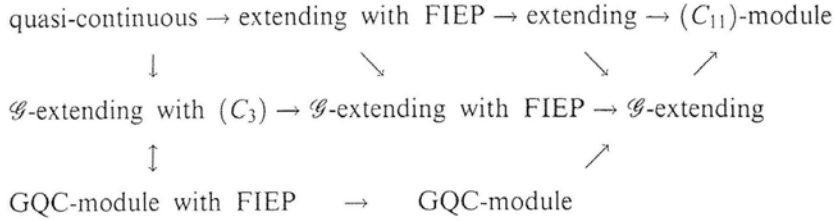
So we see $(B_1 \oplus B'_2) \cap X = 0$. By (C_3) , $X \oplus B_1 \oplus B'_2$ is a direct summand of M . As $X \oplus B_1 \oplus B'_2 \subseteq_e M$, we obtain $M = X \oplus B_1 \oplus B'_2$.

Therefore M satisfies FIEP.

(\Leftarrow) Let A and B be direct summands of M with $A \cap B = 0$. As M is GQC, there exist essential submodules $A' \subseteq_e A$ and $B' \subseteq_e B$ and a decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that $A' \subseteq_e M_1$ and $B' \subseteq_e M_2$. As M_2 is \mathcal{G} -extending, we may assume that $M = M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus M_3$ with $A' \subseteq_e M_1$ and $B' \subseteq_e M_2$. As M satisfies FIEP, there exists $M'_i \subseteq M_i$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$) with $M = A \oplus M'_1 \oplus M'_2 \oplus M'_3$. By $M_1 \supseteq_e A' \subseteq_e A$, $M = A \oplus M'_2 \oplus M'_3$. By $M_3 \cap (A \oplus M'_2) = 0$, $M = A \oplus M'_2 \oplus M_3$. As M satisfies FIEP, there exist $\bar{A} \subseteq A$, $\bar{M}'_2 \subseteq M'_2$ and $\bar{M}_3 \subseteq M_3$ with $M =$

$B \oplus \bar{A} \oplus \bar{M}'_2 \oplus \bar{M}_3$. By $M_2 \supseteq_e B' \subseteq_e B$, $M = B \oplus \bar{A} \oplus \bar{M}_3$. As $A \cap (B \oplus \bar{M}_3) = 0$, we see $\bar{A} = A$. Thus $A \oplus B$ is a direct summand of M . \square

Finally, we touch on the relations of modules which are generalizations of quasi-continuous modules.



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