

Almost Quasi-mininjective Modules

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Abstract: Let M be a right R -module, $S = \text{End}_R(M)$. The module M is called *almost quasi-mininjective* (or *AQ-mininjective*) if, for any simple M -cyclic submodule $s(M)$ of M , there exists a left ideal X_s of S such that $l_S(\text{Ker}(s)) = Ss \oplus X_s$ as left S -modules. In this paper, we give some characterizations and properties of AQ-mininjective modules.

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1 Introduction

Let R be a ring. A right R -module M is called *principally injective* (or *P-injective*) if, every R -homomorphism from a principal right ideal of R to M can be extended to an R -homomorphism from R to M . Equivalently, $l_M(r_R(a)) = Ma$ for all $a \in R$, where l_M and r_R are the left and right annihilators in M and R , respectively. In [5], Nicholson and Yousif studied the structure of principally injective rings and gave some applications. They also continued to study rings with some other kind of injectivity, namely, mininjective rings [6]. A right R -module M is called *mininjective* if, every R -homomorphism from a simple right ideal of R to M can be extended to an R -homomorphism from R to M , or equivalently, if kR is simple, $k \in R$, $l_M(r_R(k)) = Mk$. If the regular right R -module R_R is mininjective, then the ring R is said to be a *right mininjective ring*. In [10], right mininjective rings are generalized to almost mininjective rings, that is, a

right R -module M is called *almost mininjective* (or *A-mininjective*) if, for any simple right ideal kR of R , there exists an S -submodule X_k of M such that $l_M(r_R(k)) = Mk \oplus X_k$ as left S -modules. If R_R is an almost mininjective module, then we call R is a *right almost mininjective ring*. The nice structure of almost mininjective rings draws our attention to define AQ-mininjective modules, and to investigate their characterizations and properties.

Throughout this paper, R will be an associative ring with identity and all modules are unitary right R -modules. For right R -modules M and N , $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ denotes the set of all R -homomorphisms from M to N and $S = \text{End}_R(M)$. A submodule N of M is said to be an *M -cyclic submodule* of M if it is the image of an element of S . By notation $N \subset^\oplus M$ ($N \subset^e M$) we mean that N is a direct summand (an essential submodule) of M . We denote the socle and the singular submodule of M by $\text{Soc}(M)$ and $Z(M)$, respectively, and that $J(M)$ denotes the Jacobson radical of M .

Following [7], for an R -module N and a submodule P of N , we will identify $\text{Hom}_R(N, M)$ with the set of maps in $\text{Hom}_R(P, M)$ that can be extended to N , and hence $\text{Hom}_R(N, M)$ becomes a left S -submodule of $\text{Hom}_R(P, M)$. In particular, for an element $s \in S$, S will be regarded as a left S -submodule of $\text{Hom}_R(s(M), M)$.

2 AQ-mininjective Modules

Definition 2.1. Let M be a right R -module, $S = \text{End}_R(M)$. The module M is called *almost quasi-mininjective* (or *AQ-mininjective*) if, for any simple M -cyclic submodule $s(M)$ of M , there exists a left ideal X_s of S such that $l_S(\text{Ker}(s)) = Ss \oplus X_s$ as left S -modules.

Lemma 2.2. Let M be a right R -module and let $s(M)$ be an M -cyclic submodule of M .

- (1) If $\text{Hom}_R(s(M), M) = S \oplus Y$ as left S -modules, then $l_S(\text{Ker}(s)) = Ss \oplus X$ as left S -modules, where $X = \{fs : f \in Y\}$.
- (2) If $l_S(\text{Ker}(s)) = Ss \oplus X$ for some $X \subset S$ as left S -modules, then we have $\text{Hom}_R(s(M), M) = S \oplus Y$ as left S -modules, where $Y = \{f \in \text{Hom}_R(s(M), M) : fs \in X\}$.

(3) Ss is a direct summand of $l_S(Ker(s))$ as left S -modules if and only if S is a direct summand of $Hom_R(s(M), M)$ as left S -modules.

Proof. Define $\theta : Hom_R(s(M), M) \rightarrow l_S(Ker(s))$ by $\theta(f) = fs$ for every $f \in Hom_R(s(M), M)$. It is obvious that θ is an S -monomorphism. For $t \in l_S(Ker(s))$, define $g : s(M) \rightarrow M$ by $g(s(m)) = t(m)$ for every $m \in M$. Since $Ker(s) \subset Ker(t)$, g is well-defined, so it is clear that g is an R -homomorphism. Then $\theta(g) = gs = t$. Therefore θ is an S -isomorphism. Let $fs \in Ss$. Since $fs \in l_S(Ker(s))$, there exists $\varphi \in Hom_R(s(M), M)$ such that $\theta(\varphi) = fs$, so $\varphi s = fs$. Define $\widehat{\varphi} : M \rightarrow M$ by $\widehat{\varphi}(m) = \varphi(m)$ for every $m \in M$. It is clear that $\widehat{\varphi}$ is an R -homomorphism and is an extension of φ . Then $fs = \widehat{\varphi}s = \theta(\widehat{\varphi})$. This shows that $Ss \subset \theta(S)$. The other inclusion is clear. Then $\theta(S) = Ss$ and $X = \theta(Y) = \{fs : f \in Y\}$. Then the lemma follows. \square

From Lemma 2.2, the following corollary follows.

Corollary 2.3. *Let M be a right R -module and let $s(M)$ be an M -cyclic submodule of M . Then $l_S(Ker(s)) = Ss$ if and only if every R -homomorphism from $s(M)$ to M can be extended to M .*

Theorem 2.4. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) M is AQ-mininjective.
- (2) There exists an indexed set $\{X_s : s \in S\}$ of left ideals of S with the property that if $s(M)$ is simple, $s \in S$, then $l_S(Im(t) \cap Ker(s)) = (X_{st} : t)_l + Ss$ and $(X_{st} : t)_l \cap Ss \subset l_S(t)$ for all $t \in S$, where $(X_{st} : t)_l = \{g \in S : gt \in X_{st}\}$ if $st \neq 0$ and $X_0 = 0$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let $s(M)$ be a simple M -cyclic submodule of M . Then there exists a left ideal X_s of S such that $l_S(Ker(s)) = Ss \oplus X_s$ as left S -modules. Let $t \in S$. If $st \neq 0$, then for any $g \in l_S(Im(t) \cap Ker(s))$ we have $Ker(st) \subset Ker(gt)$. Since $s(M)$ is simple, $st(M) = s(M)$. Then there exists a left ideal X_{st} of S such that $l_S(Ker(st)) = Sst \oplus X_{st}$ as left S -modules. Thus $gt \in Sst \oplus X_{st}$ because $gt \in l_S(Ker(gt)) \subset l_S(Ker(st))$. Write $gt = fst + x$ where $f \in S$ and $x \in X_{st}$. Then $(g - fs)t = x \in X_{st}$, so $g - fs \in (X_{st} : t)_l$. It follows that $g \in (X_{st} : t)_l + Ss$. This shows that $l_S(Im(t) \cap Ker(s)) \subset (X_{st} : t)_l + Ss$. Conversely, it is clear that $Ss \subset l_S(Im(t) \cap Ker(s))$. Let $y \in (X_{st} : t)_l$. Then $yt \in X_{st} \subset l_S(Ker(st))$. If $t(m) \in Im(t) \cap Ker(s)$, then $st(m) = 0$ and so $yt(m) = 0$.

Hence $y \in \ell_S(\text{Im}(t) \cap \text{Ker}(s))$. This shows that $(X_{st} : t)_l \subset \ell_S(\text{Im}(t) \cap \text{Ker}(s))$. Therefore $\ell_S(\text{Im}(t) \cap \text{Ker}(s)) = (X_{st} : t)_l + Ss$. If $gs \in (X_{st} : t)_l \cap Ss$, then $gst \in X_{st} \cap Sst = 0$. Hence $gs \in \ell_S(t)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Let $s(M)$ be a simple M -cyclic submodule of M . Then there exists a left ideal X_s of S such that $\ell_S(\text{ker}(s)) = \ell_S(\text{Im}(1) \cap \text{Ker}(s)) = (X_s : 1)_l + Ss$ and $(X_s : 1)_l \cap Ss \subset \ell_S(1) = 0$. Note that $(X_s : 1)_l = X_s$. Then (1) follows. \square

Note that, the ring R is right almost mininjective if and only if R_R is AQ -mininjective. From this result and Theorem 2.4 we have

Corollary 2.5. [10, Theorem 3.1] *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) R is right A -mininjective.
- (ii) There exists an indexed set $\{X_a : a \in R\}$ of left ideals of R with the property that if kR is simple, $k \in R$, then $\ell[aR \cap r(k)] = (X_{ka} : a)_l + Rk$ and $(X_{ka} : a)_l \cap Rk \subset \ell(a)$ for all $a \in R$, where $(X_{ka} : a)_l = \{x \in R : xa \in X_{ka}\}$ if $ka \neq 0$ and $X_0 = 0$.

Following [6], we consider the conditions MC_2 and MC_3 for a ring R .

MC_2 : If $kR \simeq eR$ is simple, $e = e^2$, then $kR = gR$, for some $g = g^2$.

MC_3 : If $eR \neq fR$ are simple, $e = e^2, f = f^2$, then $eR \oplus fR = gR$ for some $g = g^2$.

The next proposition shows that the conditions (MC_2) and (MC_3) also hold in an AQ -mininjective module.

Proposition 2.6. *Let M be an AQ -mininjective module and $S = \text{End}_R(M)$.*

- (1) *If $e(M) \simeq k(M)$ is simple, $e^2 = e \in S$, then $k(M) = g(M)$, for some $g^2 = g \in S$.*
- (2) *If $e(M) \neq f(M)$ are simple, $e^2 = e \in S, f^2 = f \in S$, then $e(M) \oplus f(M) = g(M)$ for some $g^2 = g \in S$.*

Proof. (1) Let $e(M) \simeq k(M)$ is a simple submodule of M , $e^2 = e \in S$ and let $\sigma : e(M) \rightarrow k(M)$ be an R -isomorphism. Set $\alpha = \sigma e$. Then $\alpha(M) = k(M)$ and $\text{Ker}(e) = \text{Ker}(\alpha)$, so $\alpha(M)$ is a simple submodule of M . Then $e \in \ell_S(\text{Ker}(e)) = \ell_S(\text{Ker}(\alpha)) = S\alpha \oplus X_\alpha$ where X_α is a left ideal of S . Write $e = s\alpha + x$ where $s \in S$ and $x \in X_\alpha$. Thus $\alpha = \alpha e = \alpha s\alpha + \alpha x$ and so $\alpha - \alpha s\alpha = \alpha x \in S\alpha \cap X_\alpha = 0$, hence $\alpha = \alpha s\alpha$. Put $g = \alpha s$. Then $g^2 = g$ and $k(M) = g(M)$.

(2) Let $e(M) \neq f(M)$ are simple, $e^2 = e \in S, f^2 = f \in S$. Then we have $e(M) \oplus f(M) = e(M) \oplus (1-e)f(M)$. If $(1-e)f(M) = 0$, then $e(M) \oplus f(M) = e(M)$, because by assumption we have $e(M) \cap f(M) = 0$. Hence $e(M) \oplus f(M)$ is a direct summand of M . If $(1-e)f(M) \neq 0$, then $f(M) \simeq (1-e)f(M)$ so $(1-e)f(M) = g(M)$, $g^2 = g \in S$, by (1). Then $eg = 0$ so $h = e + g - ge$ is an idempotent such that $he = e = eh$ and $hg = g = gh$. If $x \in e(M) \oplus f(M)$, then $x \in e(M) \oplus (1-e)f(M) = e(M) \oplus g(M)$. Write $x = e(m) + g(n)$. It follows that $x = he(m) + hg(n) = h(e(m) + g(n)) \in h(M)$. This shows that $e(M) \oplus f(M) \subset h(M)$. The other inclusion is clear. Then $e(M) \oplus f(M) = h(M)$. \square

Proposition 2.7. *Let M be an AQ-mininjective module which is a principal self-generator. Then $Soc(M_R) \subset r_M(J(S))$.*

Proof. Let mR be a simple submodule of M . Suppose $\alpha(m) \neq 0$ for some $\alpha \in J(S)$. As M is a principal self-generator, $mR = \sum_{s \in I} s(M)$ for some $I \subset S$. Since mR is a simple, $mR = s(M)$ for some $0 \neq s \in I$. Then $\alpha s \neq 0$ and $Ker(\alpha s) = Ker(s)$. Note that $\alpha s(M)$ is a nonzero homomorphic image of the simple module $s(M)$, then $\alpha s(M)$ is simple. Since M is AQ-mininjective, there exists a left ideal $X_{\alpha s}$ of S such that $l_S(Ker(\alpha s)) = S\alpha s \oplus X_{\alpha s}$ as left S -modules. Thus $l_S(Ker(s)) = S\alpha s \oplus X_{\alpha s}$. Write $s = \beta\alpha s + x$ where $\beta \in S$ and $x \in X_{\alpha s}$. Then $(1-\beta\alpha)s = x$ and so $s = (1-\beta\alpha)^{-1}x \in X_{\alpha s}$. It follows that $\alpha s \in S\alpha s \cap X_{\alpha s} = 0$, a contradiction. \square

The following corollary follows from Proposition 2.7 and [8, 21.15].

Corollary 2.8. *Let M be an AQ-mininjective module which is a principal self-generator. If S is semilocal, then $Soc(M_R) \subset Soc({}_S M)$.*

Let M be a right R -module with $S = End_R(M)$. Following [4], write $\Delta = \{s \in S : Ker(s) \subset^e M\}$. It is known that Δ is an ideal of S [4, Lemma 3.2].

Proposition 2.9. *Let M be an AQ-mininjective module which is a principal self-generator and $Soc(M_R) \subset^e M$. Then $J(S) \subset \Delta$.*

Proof. Let $s \in J(S)$. If $Ker(s) \not\subset^e M$, then $Ker(s) \cap N = 0$ for some nonzero submodule N of M . Since $Soc(M_R) \subset^e M$, $Soc(M_R) \cap N \neq 0$. Then there exists a simple submodule kR of M such that $kR \subset Soc(M_R) \cap N$ [1, Corollary 9.10]. As M is a principal self-generator and kR is simple, $kR = t(M)$ for some $t \in S$. It follows that $Ker(st) = Ker(t)$. Since $ts(M)$ is a nonzero homomorphic image

of the simple module $t(M)$, $st(M) = t(M)$. Then there exists a left ideal X_{st} of S such that $t \in l_S(\ker(t)) = l_S(\ker(st)) = Sst \oplus X_{st}$. Write $t = \alpha st + x$ where $\alpha \in S$ and $x \in X_{st}$. It follows that $t = (1 - \alpha s)^{-1}x$. Then $st = s(1 - \alpha s)^{-1}x \in Sst \cap X_{st} = 0$, a contradiction. \square

Proposition 2.10. *Let M be an AQ -mininjective module which is a principal self-generator and $\text{Soc}(M_R) \subset^e M$. If M is nonsingular, then $J(S) = 0$.*

Proof. Since $J(S) \subset \Delta$ by Proposition 2.9, we show that $\Delta = 0$. Let $s \in \Delta$ and let $m \in M$. Define $\varphi : R \rightarrow M$ by $\varphi(r) = mr$. It is clear that φ is an R -homomorphism. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} r_R(s(m)) &= \{r \in R : s(mr) = 0\} \\ &= \{r \in R : mr \in \text{Ker}(s)\} \\ &= \{r \in R : \varphi(r) \in \text{Ker}(s)\} \\ &= \varphi^{-1}(\text{Ker}(s)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\varphi^{-1}(\text{Ker}(s)) \subset^e R$ [3, Lemma 5.8(a)] so $r_R(s(m)) \subset^e R$. Thus $s(m) \in Z(M_R) = 0$ because M is nonsingular. As this is true for all $m \in M$, we have $s = 0$. Hence $\Delta = 0$ as required. \square

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