# DUAL OJECTIVITY OF QUASI-DISCRETE MODULES AND LIFTING MODULES

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ABSTRACT. In [3], K.Oshiro and his students introduced "ojectivity (generalized injectivity)", a new concept of relative injectivity, and using this injectivity we obtained some results for direct sums of extending modules. Afterward, S.H.Mohamed and B.J.Müller [9] defined a dual concept of ojectivity as follows:

**Definition.** M is said to be N-dual ojective (or generalized N-projective) if, for any epimorphism  $g: N \to X$  and any homomorphism  $f: M \to X$ , there exist decompositions  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$ ,  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ , a homomorphism  $h_1: M_1 \to N_1$  and an epimorphism  $h_2: N_2 \to M_2$ , such that  $gh_1 = f|_{M_1}$  and  $fh_2 = g|_{N_2}$ .

The concept of relative dual ojectivity is a generalization of relative projectivity and this projectivity has an important meaning for the study of direct sums of lifting modules (cf. [6], [9]).

In this paper we introduce some results on "dual ojectivity" and apply it to direct sums of quasi-discrete modules.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

A module M is said to be *lifting* if, it satisfies the following property: For any submodule X of M, there exists a decomposition  $M = X^* \oplus X^{**}$  such that  $X^* \subseteq X$  and the kernel  $X/X^*$  of the canonical epimorphism  $M/X^* \to M/X$  is a small submodule of  $M/X^*$ , equivalently,  $X \cap X^{**}$  is a small submodule of  $X^{**}$ . In [9], S.H.Mohamed and B.J.Müller defined dual ojective module. This projectivity plays an important role in the study of direct sums of lifting modules (cf. [6], [9]). Since the structure of dual ojectivity is complicated, it is difficult to see whether dual ojectivity pass to a (finite) direct sum. This problem is not easy even in the case each module is quasi-discrete.

In this paper we consider this problem and apply it to direct sums of quasi-discrete modules.

Throughout this paper R is a ring with identity and all modules considered are unitary right R-modules. A submodule S of a module M is said to be a *small* submodule, if  $M \neq K + S$  for any proper submodule K of M and we write  $S \ll M$  in this case. Let M be a module and let N and K be submodules of M with  $K \subseteq N$ . K is said to be a *co-essential* submodule of N in M if  $N/K \ll M/K$  and we write  $K \subseteq_c N$  in M in this case. Let X be a submodule of M. X is called *co-closed* submodule in M if X has not a proper co-essential submodule in M. X' is called a *co-closure* of X in M if X' is a co-closed submodule of M with  $X' \subseteq_c X$  in M.

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A module M has the finite internal exchange property if, for any finite direct sum decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$  and any direct summand X of M, there exists  $\overline{M_i} \subseteq M_i$   $(i = 1, \dots, n)$  such that  $M = X \oplus \overline{M_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{M_n}$ .

A module M is said to be a *lifting* module if, for any submodule X, there exists a direct summand  $X^*$  of M such that  $X^* \subseteq_c X$  in M.

Let  $\{M_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a family of modules and let  $M = \bigoplus_I M_i$ . M is said to be a *lifting* module for the decomposition  $M = \bigoplus_I M_i$  if, for any submodule X of M, there exist  $X^* \subseteq M$  and  $\overline{M_i} \subseteq M_i$   $(i \in I)$  such that  $X^* \subseteq_c X$  in M and  $M = X^* \oplus (\bigoplus_I \overline{M_i})$ , that is, M is a lifting module and satisfies the internal exchange property in the direct sum  $M = \bigoplus_I M_i$ .

Let X be a submodule of a module M. A submodule Y of M is called a *supplement* of X in M if M = X + Y and  $X \cap Y \ll Y$ , if and only if Y is minimal with M = X + Y. Note that supplement Y of X in M is co-closed in M. A module M is  $(\oplus -)$  supplemented if, for any submodule X of M, there exists a submodule (direct summand) Y of M such that Y is supplement of X in M. A module M is called *amply supplemented* if, X contains a supplement of Y in M whenever M = X + Y.

lifting  $\Rightarrow$  amply supplemented  $\Rightarrow$  supplemented.

Now we consider the following condition:

( $\ddagger$ ) Any submodule of M has a co-closure in M.

Note that a module M is amply supplemented if and only if M is supplemented with a condition ( $\sharp$ ) (cf. [2], [5]).

The reader can refer to [1], [4], [8], [11] and [12] for research on lifting modules, quasidiscrete modules and exchange properties.

## 2. Generalized Projectivity

A module A is said to be B-dual ojective (generalized B-projective) if, for any homomorphism  $f: A \to X$  and any epimorphism  $g: B \to X$ , there exist decompositions  $A = A_1 \oplus A_2, B = B_1 \oplus B_2$ , a homomorphism  $h_1: A_1 \to B_1$  and an epimorphism  $h_2: B_2 \to A_2$  such that  $g \circ h_1 = f|_{A_1}$  and  $f \circ h_2 = g|_{B_2}$  (cf. [9]). Note that every B-projective modules is B-dual ojective.

Now we introduce some properties of the dual ojectivity.

**Proposition 2.1** (cf. [9]). Let  $B^*$  be a direct summand of B. If A is B-dual ojective, then A is  $B^*$ -dual ojective.

**Proposition 2.2** (cf. [6, Proposition 2.2]). Let A be a module with the finite internal exchange property and let  $A^*$  be a direct summand of A. If A is B-dual ojective, then  $A^*$  is B-dual ojective.

**Proposition 2.3** (cf. [6, Proposition 2.3]). Let  $M = A \oplus B$  be supplemented with ( $\sharp$ ) and let  $A^*$  be a direct summand of A. If A is B-dual ojective, then  $A^*$  is B-dual ojective. -46A ring R is said to be *right perfect* if any right R-module has projective cover. By [10, Theorem 1.3], any submodule N of a module M over a right perfect ring has co-closure of N in M. Thus the following is immediate from Proposition 2.3.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let R be a right perfect ring, A, B be R-modules and  $A^*$  be a direct summand of A. If A is B-dual ojective, then  $A^*$  is B-dual ojective.

A module A is said to be *im-small B-projective* if, for any epimorphism  $g: B \to X$  and any homomorphism  $f: A \to X$  with  $\text{Im} f \ll X$ , there exists a homomorphism  $h: A \to B$ such that  $g \circ h = f$  (cf. [5]).

**Proposition 2.5.** (1) Let A be a module and let  $\{B_i \mid i = 1, \dots, n\}$  be a family of modules. Then A is im-small  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} B_i$ -projective if and only if A is im-small  $B_i$ -projective  $(i = 1, \dots, n)$ .

(2) Let I be any set and let  $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a family of modules. Then  $\bigoplus_I A_i$  is im-small B-projective if and only if  $A_i$  is im-small B-projective for all  $i \in I$ .

**Proposition 2.6** (cf. [6, Proposition 2.5]). Let A be any module and let B be a lifting module. If A is B-dual ojective, then A is im-small B-projective.

The concept of relative dual ojectivity has an important meaning for the study of direct sums of lifting modules.

**Theorem 2.7** (cf. [6, Theorem 3.7]). Let  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  be lifting modules with the finite internal exchange property and put  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

(1) M is lifting with the finite internal exchange property.

(2) M is lifting for  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ .

(3)  $M_i$  and  $\bigoplus_{j \neq i} M_j$  are relative dual ojective.

# 3. Direct sums of quasi-discrete modules

A lifting module M is said to be *quasi-discrete* if M satisfies the following condition (D):

(D) If  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are direct summands of M such that  $M = M_1 + M_2$ , then  $M_1 \cap M_2$  is a direct summand of M.

Any quasi-discrete module has the internal exchange property [10, Theorem 3.10].

**Lemma 3.1** (cf. [7]). Let N be a quasi-discrete module and let  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$  be lifting for  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ . Assume that  $M_i$  is generalized N-projective  $(i = 1, \dots, n)$ . Then, for any epimorphism  $f : M \to X$  with ker  $f \ll M$  and any epimorphism  $g : N \to X$ with ker  $g \ll N$ , there exist decompositions  $M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}}$ ,  $N = \overline{N} \oplus \overline{\overline{N}}$  and epimorphisms  $\varphi: \overline{\overline{M}} \to \overline{N}, \psi: \overline{\overline{N}} \to \overline{M}$  such that  $f|_{\overline{M}} = g \circ \varphi$  and  $g|_{\overline{N}} = f \circ \psi$ .

By the using lemma above, we can obtain the following propositions.

**Proposition 3.2** (cf. [7]). Let N be a quasi-discrete module and  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ be lifting for  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ . If  $M_i$  is N-dual ojective  $(i = 1, \cdots, n)$ , then M is N-dual ojective. **Proposition 3.3** (cf. [7]). Let M be a quasi-discrete module and  $N = N_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus N_m$  be lifting for  $N = N_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus N_m$ . If  $N_i$  and M are relative dual ojective  $(i = 1, \cdots, m)$ , then M is N-dual ojective.

The following is immediate from Propositions 3.2, 3.3, Theorem 2.7 and induction.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  be quasi-discrete modules and put  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

(1) M is lifting with the (finite) internal exchange property.

(2) M is lifting for  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_n$ .

(3)  $M_i$  is  $M_j$ -dual ojective  $(i \neq j)$ .

A module H is said to be *hollow* if it is an indecomposable lifting module.

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $H_1, \dots, H_n$  be hollow modules and put  $M = H_1 \oplus \dots \oplus H_n$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) M is lifting with the (finite) internal exchange property.
- (2) M is lifting for  $M = H_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus H_n$ .
- (3)  $H_i$  is  $H_j$ -dual ojective  $(i \neq j)$ .

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