

## Some Results on Comultiplication Modules

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### Abstract

Let  $M$  be a faithful multiplication and comultiplication module over a commutative ring  $R$ . In this paper we investigate some results on such modules.

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## 1 Introduction

Throughout this work,  $R$  denotes a commutative ring with identity and  $M$  denotes a unital  $R$ -module. We investigate here the question of those conditions under which a factor module  $M/N$  of an  $R$ -module  $M$  is comultiplication module as  $R$ -module and also as  $R/I$ -module for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , and some properties of comultiplication submodules, [Theorem 3.1]. For  $N \leq M$ , the set  $[N :_R M] = \{r \in R \mid rM \leq N\}$  is called colon of  $N$  and it is an ideal of  $R$ . Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ , the submodule  $[N :_M I]$  of  $M$  is defined by  $[N :_M I] = \{m \in M \mid Im \leq N\}$ . In particular, if  $I = (a_1, \dots, a_k)$  be a finitely generated ideal of  $R$ , then  $[N :_M I] = \bigcap_{s=1}^k [N :_M a_s]$ . We will obtain some results of faithful multiplication and comultiplication modules, [Theorem 3.3].

## 2 Preliminary Notes

An  $R$ -modules  $M$  is called multiplication if for every submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $N = IM$ . It is clear that every homomorphic

image of a multiplication module  $M$  is also multiplication. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called cancellation module, if for ideals  $I$  and  $J$  of  $R$ ,  $IM = JM$  implies that  $I = J$ . Also  $M$  is faithful if  $\text{ann}_R(M) = 0$ . We note that  $I \subseteq [N : M]$  and hence  $N = IM \leq [N : M]M \leq N$ , so  $N = IM = [N : M]M$  and if  $M$  be a cancellation module, then  $I = [N : M] = [IM : M]$ , see [1], [3], [4].

A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be pure if  $IN = N \cap IM$  for every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Moreover,  $N$  is said to be copure if  $[N :_M I] = N + [0 :_M I]$  for every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . The  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be fully pure (resp. fully copure) if every submodule of  $M$  is pure (resp. copure).

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $M$  is an  $R$ -module. A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called comultiplication submodule of  $M$  and we denote this concept by  $N \leq_c M$ , whenever there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $N = [0 :_M I] = \text{ann}_M(I)$ . In particular, if all submodules of  $M$  be comultiplication submodules, then  $M$  is called a comultiplication module. Also,  $M$  is a comultiplication module if and only if  $N = [0 :_M \text{ann}_R(N)]$  for each submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Example 2.2.**  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  is a comultiplication  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. Consider the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $M = \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$  and set  $N = 2\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $N$  and  $M/N$  are comultiplication  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules.

**Remark 2.3.** Let  $M$  be a faithful multiplication  $R$ -module and  $IM = JM$  for some ideals  $I$  and  $J$  of  $R$ , then  $I - J \subseteq \text{ann}_R(M) = 0$ , hence  $I = J$ , therefore  $M$  is cancellation module. Let  $N \leq M$  and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ , if  $Ir \in I[N :_R M]$  with  $r \in [N :_R M]$ , then  $rM \leq N$ . Therefore  $(Ir)M = I(rM) \leq IN \Rightarrow Ir \in [IN :_R M] \Rightarrow I[N :_R M] \leq [IN :_R M]$ . Conversely,  $r \in [IN :_R M] \Rightarrow rM \in [IN :_R M]M \leq IN = I[N :_R M]M$ , hence  $[IN :_R M]M \leq I[N :_R M]M$ . Since  $M$  is a cancellation module, hence  $[IN :_R M] \leq I[N :_R M]$ . It follows that  $[IN :_R M] = I[N :_R M]$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Every faithful multiplication module  $M$  is finitely generated.  
**Proof:** See ([2], Theorem 2.6).

It follows that if  $M$  be faithful multiplication module, then for every proper ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $M \neq IM$ .

### 3 Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $N \leq L \leq M$ , then  
i)  $L/N$  is a comultiplication submodule of  $M/N$  if and only if there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $L = [N :_M I]$ . If  $M$  be a semisimple  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is fully copure and  $L/N \cong \text{ann}_M(I)/\text{ann}_N(I)$ .  
Moreover, if we consider  $M/N$  as an  $R/I$ -module, then  $M/N$  is comultiplication  $R/I$ -module if and only if for every submodule  $L$  of  $M$  such that

$N \leq L \leq M$ , there exists an ideal  $J \supseteq I$  of  $R$  such that  $L = [N :_M J]$ .

ii) if  $K_1 \leq_c L$  and  $K_2 \leq_c M$ , then  $K_1 \cap K_2 \leq_c L$ .

iii) if  $T_1 \leq_c L/N$  and  $T_2 \leq_c M/N$ , then  $T_1 \cap T_2 \leq_c L/N$ .

iv) if  $R$  be a Noetherian ring, then every comultiplication submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is a finite intersection of comultiplication submodules of  $M$ .

v) if  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  be an isomorphism of  $R$ -modules and  $K \leq_c M$ , then we have  $f(K) \leq_c M'$ . Moreover, if  $L \leq_c M'$ , then  $f^{-1}(L) \leq_c M$ .

**Proof:** i) Since  $IN \leq N$  for every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , hence  $N \leq L = [N :_M I]$ . We consider  $M/N$  as an  $R$ -module. If  $L/N \leq_c M/N$ , then there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} L/N &= [N :_{M/N} I] = \{m + N \in M/N \mid I(m + N) = Im + N = N\} \\ &= \{m + N \in \frac{M}{N} \mid Im \leq N\} = \{m + N \in \frac{M}{N} \mid m \in [N :_M I]\} = [N :_M I]/N. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $L = [N :_M I]$ . The converse is clearly true.

Moreover, if  $N$  be copure, then  $[N :_M I] = N + [0 :_M I]$ . Therefore

$$\frac{L}{N} = \frac{N + [0 :_M I]}{N} \cong \frac{[0 :_M I]}{N \cap [0 :_M I]} = \frac{[0 :_M I]}{[0 :_N I]} = \frac{\text{ann}_M(I)}{\text{ann}_N(I)}$$

In particular, if  $M$  be a semisimple  $R$ -module, then there exists  $K \leq M$  such that  $M = N \oplus K$ . Therefore

$[N :_M I] = [N :_K I] + [N :_N I] = [0 :_K I] + N \leq [0 :_M I] + N$ . Conversely, it is clear that  $[0 :_M I] + N \leq [N :_M I]$ , hence  $N$  is copure.

Similarly, if we consider  $M/N$  as an  $R/I$ -module, then  $L/N \leq_c M/N$  iff for some ideal  $J/I$  of  $R/I$  we have  $L/N = [0_{M/N} :_{M/N} J/I] = [N :_M J]/N$ .

ii) Let  $K_1 = [0 :_L I]$  and  $K_2 = [0 :_M J]$  for some ideals  $I, J$  of  $R$ , then

$$K_1 \cap K_2 = [0 :_L I] \cap [0 :_M J] = [0 :_L I + J] \Rightarrow K_1 \cap K_2 \leq_c L.$$

iii) By (i),  $T_1 = [N :_L I]$  and  $T_2 = [N :_M J]$  for some ideals  $I, J$  of  $R$ , then

$$T_1 \cap T_2 = [N :_L I] \cap [N :_M J] = [N :_L I + J] \Rightarrow T_1 \cap T_2 \leq_c L/N.$$

iv) Since  $R$  is Noetherian ring, hence every ideal of  $R$  is f.g. say  $I = \sum_{i=1}^n Ra_i$ .

Let  $N \leq_c M$ , then there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $N = [0 :_M I]$ , hence  $N = [0 :_M I] = [0 :_M \sum_{i=1}^n Ra_i] = \bigcap_{i=1}^n [0 :_M Ra_i] = \bigcap_{i=1}^n N_i$ ;

where  $N_i = [0 :_M Ra_i] \leq_c M$ .

Moreover, if  $N$  be a completely irreducible submodule of  $M$ , then there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , such that  $N = [0 :_M I] = N_k = [0 :_M Ra_k]$  or equivalently,  $\text{ann}_M(I) = \text{ann}_M(Ra_k)$ .

v) Let  $K = [0 :_M I]$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , then

$$f(K) = f([0 :_M I]) = \{f(x) \mid Ix = 0\} \leq [0 :_{M'} I];$$

because  $f(x) \in M'$  and  $f(Ix) = If(x) = 0$ , hence  $f(x) \in [0 :_{M'} I]$ .

Conversely, let  $y \in [0 :_{M'} I]$ , then there exists  $x \in M$  such that  $y = f(x)$  and  $Iy = If(x) = f(Ix) = 0$ . Since  $f$  is monomorphism, hence  $Ix = 0$ , then  $x \in [0 :_M I]$  and  $y = f(x) \in f(K)$ . Therefore  $f(K) = [0 :_{M'} I] \leq_c M'$ .

Similarly, let  $L = [0 :_{M'} I]$ , then clearly  $K = f^{-1}(L) = [0 :_M I] \leq_c M$ .

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $N \leq L \leq M$ . If  $N \leq_c M$  and*

$M/N$  be a comultiplication  $R$ -module, then  $L \leq_c M$ .

**Proof:** We suppose that  $N = [0 :_M J]$ . Since  $L/N \leq_c M/N$  by (i), we have  $L = [N :_M I]$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Therefore  $L = [[0 :_M J] :_M I] = [0 :_M IJ]$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a faithful multiplication and comultiplication  $R$ -module, then the following assertions hold.*

i) *for every submodule  $N$  of  $M$ ,  $[N :_R M]$  is a comultiplication ideal of  $R$ ,*

ii)  *$R$  is comultiplication as an  $R$ -module.*

**Proof:** Let  $N \leq M$ , then since  $M$  is comultiplication module, there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $N = [0 :_M I]$ , then

$$[N :_R M] = [[0 :_M I] :_R M] = [0 :_R IM] = \text{ann}_R(IM).$$

Since  $M$  is faithful multiplication  $R$ -module, then  $\text{ann}_R(IM) = [0 :_R IM] = \text{ann}_R(I) = [0 :_R I]$ . Therefore  $[N :_R M] = [0 :_R I]$  is a comultiplication ideal.

ii) Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ , then we set  $N = IM \leq M$ . Since  $M$  is faithful multiplication  $R$ -module, hence it is cancellation module and hence finitely generated. Therefore for every  $N \leq M$  and every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $[IN :_R M] = I[N :_R M]$ . In particular,  $[N :_R M] = [IM :_R M] = I[M :_R M] = IR = I$ . By (i),  $I$  is a comultiplication ideal.

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