

QUOTIENT MODULES DEFINED BY FINITELY GENERATED SUBMODULES OF QTAG-MODULES

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Abstract: A right module M over an associative ring with unity is a QTAG-module if every finitely generated submodule of any homomorphic image of M is a direct sum of uniserial modules. Singh, Khan, Mehdi, Abbasi etc. worked a lot on this module. Yet there is much to explore. Here we study the properties shared by QTAG-modules and their quotient modules, where they are defined by finitely generated modules. We find that for a finitely generated submodule N of a QTAG-module M , M is a direct sum of uniserial modules if and only if M/N is a direct sum of uniserial modules. M is Σ -module if and only if M/N is a Σ -module. M is summable of countable length if and only if M/N is summable of countable length. A reduced QTAG-modules M of countable length σ is summable if and only if there exists an ascending chain $0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_k$ of h-finite submodules of $\text{Soc}(M)$ such that $\bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k = \text{Soc}(M)$.

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1. INTRODUCTION

All rings R considered here are associative with unity and modules M are unital QTAG-modules. An element $x \in M$ is uniform, if xR is a non-zero uniform (hence uniserial) module and for any R -module M with a unique composition series, $d(M)$ denotes its composition length. For a uniform element $x \in M$, $e(x) = d(xR)$ and

$H_M(x) = \sup \left\{ d \left(\frac{yR}{xR} \right) \mid y \in M, x \in yR \text{ and } y \text{ uniform} \right\}$ are the exponent and height

of x in M , respectively. $H_k(M)$ denotes the submodule of M generated by the elements of height at least k if $k < \omega$ and for the limit ordinal σ , $H_\sigma(M) = \bigcap_{\rho < \sigma} H_\rho(M)$. The generalized height of any $x \in M$ is k if $x \in H_k(M)$, $x \notin H_{k+1}(M)$ here

$k < \omega$ or k is a limit ordinal. M is h-divisible if $M = M^1 = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} H_\omega(M)$ and it is h-

reduced if it does not contain any h-divisible submodule. M is separable if any submodule $N = \sum x_i R$ can be embedded in a direct summand K of M such that K is a direct sum of uniserial modules. A submodule $N \subseteq M$ is high if it is maximal submodule of M such that $N \cap M^1 = 0$. M is a Σ -module if its high submodules are the direct sum of uniserial modules. The cardinality of the minimal generated set of M is denoted by $g(M)$. For a module M there is a chain of submodules $M = M^0 \supset M^1 \supset M^2 \supset \dots \supset M^\sigma = 0$ for some ordinal σ . Here $M^{\tau+1} = (M^\tau)^1$ and σ is the height of M . a submodule $N \subseteq M$ is nice in M if $H_\rho(M/N) = (H_\rho(M) + N)/N$. A

QTAG-module M of length σ is a summable is $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigoplus M_\beta$ and every nonzero $x \in M_\beta$, if contained in $H_\beta(M)$ such that $x \notin H_{\beta+1}(M)$ for all $\beta < \sigma$.

2. MAIN RESULTS

We start with the following.

Proposition (2.1): Let N be a finitely generated submodules of the QTAG-modules M . Then there exists a finitely generated submodules $K \subseteq M$ such that $\text{Soc}(M/N) = (K + \text{Soc}(M))/N$, where $N \subseteq K$ and $H_1(K) \subseteq N$.

Proof: For $\bar{x} \in \text{Soc}(M/N)$, $\bar{x} = x + N$, where $x \in M$ and there exists $y \in N$ such that $H(x)+1 = H(y)$. Since N is finitely generated, $N \cap H_1(M)$, is also finitely generated such that $N \cap H_1(M) = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i R$. As z_i 's are in $H^1(M)$, there exists u_i 's $\in M$ such that $d(u_i R/z_i R) = 1$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. If $u_j \in M$ such that $j \neq 1, 2, \dots, n$ and there exist $z_j \in N$ such that $d(u_j R/z_j R) = 1$, $z_j R \subseteq N$, then $z_j R = z_i R$ for some i , $1 \leq i \leq n$. Therefore $u_j R \subseteq u_i R + \text{Soc}(M) \subseteq K + \text{Soc}(M)$. The converse is trivial.

Proposition (2.2): Let K be a finitely generated submodule of a QTAG-module M . If N is a nice submodule of M , $K \subset L$, a submodule of M , then for any submodule Q of M , the following hold:

- (i) For $x \in Q$, there exists $y \in M$ such that $x + N = y + N$ and $H_M(y) = H_{M/N}(y + N)$.
- (ii) If that set of heights of the elements of Q in M is finite, then the set of heights of the elements of $Q+K$ is again finite.
- (iii) If the set of finite heights of the elements of Q in M is finite, then the set of finite heights of the elements of $Q+K$ is again finite.
- (iv) If the length of M is a limit ordinal and the heights of the elements of Q are bounded, then the heights of $Q+K$ are also bounded.
- (v) If Q is a nice in M , then $Q+K$ is nice in M .
- (vi) Let P be a submodule of M , containing K . Then P is with a finite number of heights in M if and only if P/K is with a finite number of heights in M/K .

Proof: (i) Let $x + N \in M/N$ such that $(x+N) \in H_\alpha(M/N)$ and $(x+N) \notin H_{\alpha+1}(M/N)$. In other words the height of $x + N$ in M/N is exactly α . This implies that $(x+N) \in (H_\alpha(M)+N)/N$ and $(x+N) \notin (H_{\alpha+1}(M)+N)/N$. Therefore $x + N = u + N$ for some $u \in H_\alpha(M)$ such that $u \notin H_{\alpha+1}(M)$ and the result follows.

(ii) Let A be the set of heights of the elements of Q in M . Here A is the set of ordinals, finite or limit ordinals. Since K is finitely generated, $K = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i R$. Out of these x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , we may select x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_k such that $H(x'_j + y_j) \notin A$, $1 \leq j \leq k$ and y_j is an element of Q .

Now the set $A' = \{H_M(x'_j + y'_j)\}$ is again finite. If such x'_j do not exist then the result follows, otherwise for any $l \neq 1$, we have $x'_1 + y_l = y_l - y_1 + y_1 + x'_1$. Now $H_M(y_l + x'_1) = \min\{H_M(y_l - y_1), H_M(y_1 + x'_1)\} \in A \cup A'$. Since A, A' both are finite, $A \cup A'$ is also finite and the set of heights of the elements of $Q+K$ is finite.

(iii) Since K is finitely generated, $K = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i R$. Now the heights of the elements

of Q are finite and $A = \{H_M(x) \mid x \in Q\}$ is also finite, therefore there exists some m such that $Q \cap H_m(M) \subseteq H_\omega(M)$. Let $z_j \in Q, y_j \in K$ such that $z_j + y_j \in H_{t_j}(M), z_j + y_j \notin H_{t_j+1}(M), 1 \leq j \leq k$ and $z_{k+1} + y_{k+1}, \dots, z_n + y_n \in H_\omega(M)$ for some integer $t_1, \dots, t_k \geq m, k \leq n$.

Now every elements of $Q+K$ is of the form $z+y = z + y_i$ where either $1 \leq i \leq k$ or $k+1 \leq i \leq n$. Again $z + y_i = z - z_i + z_i + y_i \notin H_{t_i+1}(M)$, if $x+y_i \notin H_\omega(M)$, otherwise $z - z_i + y_i + z_i \in H_{t_i}(M)$ implying that $z - z_i \in H_{t_i}(M)$ and $z - z_i \in H_\omega(M)$.

This means $z_i + y_i \in H_{t_i+1}(M)$, which is a contradiction when $1 \leq i \leq k$ or $k+1 \leq i \leq n$.

Therefore $z_i + y_i \in H_\omega(M)$ and thus $z + y_i \in H_\omega(M)$. If we put $l = \max\{t_1, \dots, t_{k+1}\}$, then $l \geq m$ and $(Q+K) \cap H_l(M) \subseteq H_\omega(M)$, proving the results.

(iv) Let the length of M be σ . Since the heights of the elements of Q are bounded, there exists an ordinal $\rho < \sigma$ such that $Q \cap H_\rho(M) = 0$. Now the method adopted in the proof of (iii), ensures the existence of an ordinal $\beta < \sigma$, such that $(Q+k) \cap H_\beta(M) = 0$.

(v) Let β be an arbitrary limit ordinal. Since K is finitely generated, $\bigcap_{\alpha < \beta} (H_\alpha(M) + Q + K) = \bigcap_{\alpha < \beta} ((H_\alpha(M) + Q) + K)$ and $\bigcap_{\alpha < \beta} (H_\alpha(M) + Q + K) = H_\beta(M) + Q + K$.

. Therefore $Q+K$ is nice in M .

(vi) Since K is finitely generated, it is nice and for every $x+k \in P/K, x \in P$, we have $x+K = y+K$ for some $y \in M$ such that $H_{M/K}(x+K) = H_M(y) = H_{M/K}(y+K)$ as $y \in P+K$. Now by asserting (ii) the necessity follows.

For the converse, for each $x \in P, x + K = y + K$, where $H_M(y) = H_{M/K}(x+K) = H_{M/K}(y+K)$. Therefore $x = y + z$ for some $z \in K$. Now $H_M(x) \leq H_{M/K}(x+K) = H_M(y)$. If $H_M(y) > H_M(z)$, then $H_M(x) = H_M(z)$ and the result follows. If $H_M(y) \leq H_M(z)$, then $H_M(x) = H_M(y) = H_{M/K}(x+K)$ and we are through, otherwise $H_M(y) = H_M(z)$ and $H_M(x) \geq H_M(y) = H_{M/K}(x+K) > H_M(x)$. This implies that $H_M(x) = H_{M/K}(x+K)$ and the result follows.

Now we are able to prove the following Theorem.

Theorem (2.3): Let N be a finitely generated submodule of a separable module M . Then M is a direct sum of uniserial modules if and only if M/N is a direct sum of uniserial modules.

Proof: Let M be a direct sum of uniserial modules. By [3] we may write $M = \bigcup_{k < \omega} M_k$, $M_k \subseteq M_{k+1} \subseteq M$ with $M_k \cap H_k(M) = 0$. Therefore $M/N = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \left(\frac{M_k + N}{N} \right)$. By Proposition 2.2 (iii), there exists a natural number $m_k > k$, such that $(M_k + N) \cap H_{m_k}(M) = 0$. Since M is separable, $\left(\frac{M_k + N}{N} \right) \cap H_{m_k}(M/N) = [(M_k + N) \cap (H_{m_k}(M) + N)]/N = [N + (M_k + N) \cap H_{m_k}(M)]/N$. Now by [2], M/N is a direct sum of uniserial modules.

Conversely, M/N may be expressed as $\bigcup_{k < \omega} (P_k / N) = \left(\bigcup_{k < \omega} P_k \right) / N$, where $P_k \subseteq P_{k+1} \subseteq M$ such that $H_k(M/N) \cap (P_k/N) = 0$, for every index k . As $P_k \cap H_k(M) \subseteq N$, N is finitely generated and M is separable, we have $N \cap H_n(M) = 0$, for some $n < \omega$. This implies that $P_k \cap H_{k+n}(M) = 0$. Since $M = \bigcup_{k < \omega} P_k$, by [2], M is a direct sum of uniserial module.

Now we characterize some QTAG-modules namely Σ -modules, summable modules, σ -modules etc.

Theorem (2.4): Let N be a finitely generated submodule of a module M . Then M is a Σ -modules if and only if M/N is a Σ -module.

Proof: Let N be a finitely generated submdoules of a Σ -module. Now $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k$, $S_k \subseteq S_{k+1} \subseteq \text{Soc}(M)$ and $S_k \cap H_k(M) \subseteq H_\omega(M)$. Now by Proposition 2.1, $\text{Soc}(M/N) = (\text{Soc}(M) + K)/N$ for some finitely generated submodule $K \subseteq M$, containing N s.t $N \subseteq K$, $H_1(K) \subseteq N$ and $\left(\frac{\text{Soc}(M) + K}{N} \right) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \left(\frac{S_k + K}{N} \right)$. Now by Proposition 2.2 (iii) for every integer $k \geq 1$, there exists an integer $n_k \geq k$ such that $(S_k + K) \cap H_{n_k}(M) \subseteq H_\omega(M)$. Since $\left(\frac{S_k + K}{N} \right) \cap H_{n_k}(M/N) = \frac{(S_k + K) \cap (H_{n_k}(M) + N)}{N} = \frac{N + (S_k + K) \cap H_{n_k}(M)}{N} \subseteq \frac{N + H_\omega(M)}{N} = H_\omega(M/N)$. Therefore by [2], M/N is a Σ -module.

For the converse, we may write $\text{Soc}(M/N) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \left(\frac{S_k}{N} \right)$ with $S_k \subseteq S_{k+1} \subseteq M$ and $\left(\frac{S_k}{N} \right) \cap H_k(M/N) = H_\omega(M/N)$. Since N is finitely generated hence nice in M , $\left(\frac{S_k}{N} \right) \cap H_k(M/N) = \frac{[S_k \cap (H_k(M) + N)]}{N} = \frac{H_\omega(M) + N}{N}$. Now there exists $n_k \geq n$, such that $N \cap H_{n_k}(M) \subseteq H_\omega(M)$ and we have $S_k \cap H_{n_k}(M) \subseteq (H_\omega(M) + N) \cap H_{n_k}(M) = H_\omega(M)$

$+ (N \cap \text{Hn}_k(M)) = H_\omega(M)$. Since $\left(\frac{\text{Soc}(M) + N}{N}\right) \subseteq \text{Soc}(M/N)$, $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \text{Soc}(S_k)$ and again by [2], M is a Σ -module.

Remark (2.5): If N is a finitely generated submodule of M such that $N \cap H_\omega(M) = 0$, then N is nice in M and for a high submodule K/N of M/N , $\left(\frac{K}{N}\right) \cap H_\omega(M/N) = \left(\frac{M}{N}\right) \cap \left(\frac{H_\omega(M) + N}{N}\right) = \frac{K \cap H_\omega(M) + N}{N} = 0$. Now if M is a Σ -module, then $K \subseteq K'$, a high submodule of M and K' is the direct sum of uniserial module. Therefore, by Theorem 2.3, K/N is a direct sum of uniserial modules. Converse is trivial.

To investigate summable module we start with the following.

Definition (2.6): A submodule N of M is h-finite if the height of the elements of M assure but a finite number of different values.

Remark (2.7): For a reduced QTAG-modules M of length σ , we define S_ρ such that $\text{Soc}(H_\rho(M)) = \text{Soc}(H_{\rho+1}(M)) \oplus S_\rho$, $\rho < \sigma$. Therefore the nonzero elements of S_ρ are of heights ρ . We may consider $\bigoplus_{\rho < \sigma} S_\rho$. Therefore the nonzero elements of S_ρ are of height ρ . We may consider $\bigoplus_{\rho < \sigma} S_\rho$ and if $x = x_{\rho_1} + \dots + x_{\rho_k}$, $0 \neq x_{\rho_i} \in S_{\rho_i}$, then the generated height of x is $\min(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k)$.

Proposition (2.8): A reduced QTAG – modules M of countable length σ is summable if and only if there exists an ascending chain $0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_k$ of h-finite submodules of $\text{Soc}(M)$ such $\bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k = \text{Soc}(M)$.

Proof: Let M be summable and σ -countable. Then we can define S_ρ , for $\rho < \sigma$ and form a sequence $S_{\rho_1}, S_{\rho_2}, \dots, S_{\rho_k}$. Now $S_k = S_{\rho_1} \oplus \dots \oplus S_{\rho_k}$ are h-finite and $\bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k = \text{Soc}(M)$.

For the converse, consider the ascending chain of h-finite submodules S_k of M such that $\bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k = \text{Soc}(M)$. As $H_\sigma(M) \cap S_1$ is a summand of S_1 and if ρ_1 is the maximal height of the nonzero elements is S_1 , we may express $S_1 = N_{\rho_1} \oplus \dots \oplus N_{\rho_n}$ where $\rho_1 > \rho_2 > \dots > \rho_n$ and every nonzero elements of N_{ρ_i} has height ρ_i .

Inductively for every k we can construct $S_k = \bigoplus_{\rho < \sigma} N_\rho^{(k)}$ such that $N_\rho^{(k)} = 0$ for almost all ρ , $N_\rho^{(k)} \subseteq H_\rho(M)$, $N_\rho^{(k)} \cap H_{\rho+1}(M) = 0$ and $N_\rho^{(k-1)} \subseteq N_\rho^{(k)}$. By putting $S_\rho = \bigcup_k N_\rho^{(k)}$, we get $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigoplus_{\rho < \sigma} S_\rho$ i.e. M is summable.

Theorem (2.9): Let N be finitely generated submodule of M , the QTAG-module. Then M is summable of countable length if and only if M/N is summable of countable length.

Proof: Let length of M is less than $\omega+1$ if and only if the length of M/N is less than $\omega+1$. Suppose M is summable and $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} S_k \subseteq S_{k+1} \subseteq \text{Soc}(M)$ and S'_k 's are h-finite in M . By Proposition 2.1, $\text{Soc}(M/N) = \left(\frac{\text{Soc}(M) + K}{N} \right)$ for some finitely generated $K \subseteq M$ such that $H_1(K) \subseteq N$. Now $\text{Soc}(M/N) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \left(\frac{S_k + K}{N} \right)$. Again by Proposition 2.2(i) and (iv) we find $\left(\frac{S_k + K}{N} \right)$ are h-finite in M/N . Therefore by proposition 2.8 M/N is summable. For the converse $\text{Soc}(M/N) = \bigcup_{k < \omega} \left(\frac{T_k}{N} \right) = \frac{\bigcup T_k}{N}$ such that $T_k \subseteq T_{k+1} \subseteq M$ and T_k/N are h-finite in M/N . Since $\frac{\text{Soc}(M) + N}{N} \subseteq \text{Soc}(M/N)$. We may infer that $\text{Soc}(M) = \bigcup \text{Soc}(T_k)$. Now by Proposition 2.2 (vi) we may conclude that T'_k 's are h-finite in M , thus $\text{Soc}(T_k)$'s are also h-finite in M . Therefore M is summable.

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