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# Essential-small sub modules relative to an arbitrary submodule

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**Abstract.** Let  $R$  be an arbitrary ring and  $T$  a submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . A submodule  $N$  is said to be  $T$ -small in  $M$ , if for each essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $T \subseteq N + X$  implies that  $T \subseteq X$ . In this work we study this mentioned notion which is a generalization of the essential-small submodules as well as the  $T$ -small submodule. We use this notion to investigate  $T$ -essential radical of module, also to introduce generalized  $T$ -essential Hopfian modules.

## 1. Introduction

Throughout this work, all rings are associative with nonzero identity and all modules are unitary left  $R$ -modules. We use the notation " $\subseteq$ " and " $\leq$ " to denote inclusion and submodule, respectively. Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  an  $R$ -module. Recall that a submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is small, denoted by  $N \ll M$ , if for any submodule  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $M = N + X$  implies that  $X = M$ . Dually, a submodule  $N$  is essential in an  $R$ -module  $M$ , if for any submodule  $K$  of  $M$ ,  $N \cap K = 0$  implies that  $K = 0$ . In this case we denote  $K \trianglelefteq M$ . For more details about small and essential submodule see [1]. The notion of small submodules plays an important role in ring and module theory. D. X. Zhou and X.R.Zhang [4] generaliz the concept of small submodules to that of essential-small by considering the class of all essential submodules in place of all submodules. Let  $N$  be a submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ .  $N$  is called essential-small in  $M$  denoted by  $N \ll_e M$  if  $N + L = M$  then  $L = M$  for all essential submodule  $L$  of  $M$ . Also R. Beyranvand and F. Moradi [2] generalize the notion of small submodules by replacing an arbitrary submodule  $T$  (say) instead  $M$ . Let  $T$  be an arbitrary submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called  $T$ -small in  $M$  if for each submodule  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $T \subseteq N + X$  implies  $T \subseteq X$ . The notion of smallness and  $T$ -smallness are coincide if  $T = M$ .

The concept of essential-smallness and  $T$ -smallness are investing to investigate some radicals of modules. In [2] the authors define the essential radical of an  $R$ -module  $M$ , denoted by  $\text{Rad}_e(M)$  as  $\text{Rad}_e(M) = \bigcap \{N \leq M \mid N \text{ is essential and maximal in } M\}$ , and they proved that radical is equivalent to the sum of all essential-small submodules of  $M$ . While in [4], they proved the following. Let  $T$  be a nontrivial finitely generated submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . Then  $\bigcap_{K \in B} K = \sum_{L \in A} L$  where  $B = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ is a } T\text{-maximal submodule of } M\}$  and  $A = \{L \leq M \mid L \text{ is a } T\text{-small in } M \text{ and } L + K \subseteq T + K, \text{ for all } T\text{-maximal submodule } K \text{ of } M\}$ .  $\bigcap_{K \in B} K$  is called the  $T$ -radical of  $M$  and we denoted by  $J_T(M)$ .

This motivates us to define a new generalization of  $T$ -small submodules as well as of essential-small submodules. Let  $T$  be an arbitrary submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . We say that a submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is an  $T$ -essential-small of  $M$  provided that  $T \subseteq N + X$  implies that  $T \subseteq X$  for all essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ , Note that, every  $T$ -small submodule is  $T$ -essential-small and every essential-small submodule is  $M$ -essential-small.

In the first section, we investigate the basic properties of  $T$ -essential-small submodules. In section two, we use the notion of  $T$ -maximal submodule [2], and introduce the  $T$ -essential radical of modules,  $T$ -essential maximal submodules, we used this new class of submodules to investigate another radical of modules. Also introduce  $T$ -essential cosemisimple module and give some of their properties and characterizations. Finally in section three, we introduce the notion of generalized  $T$ -essential ( $T$ -



essential-closed ) Hopfian modules and give their characterizations in terms of T-essential-small submodules.

**§1 .T-essential-small submodules.**

In this section, as a generalization of essential-small submodules and T-small submodules, T-essential-small submodules is introduced, and their various properties are given.

**Definition. (1.1).** Let T be an arbitrary submodule of an R-module M. A submodule N of M is called T-essential-small in M (simply Te-small), denote by  $N \ll_{Te} M$ , if for each essential submodule X of M,  $T \subseteq N + X$  implies  $T \subseteq X$ .

According to the definition, if  $T = 0$ , then every submodule of M is Te-small in M. Furthermore if  $T = M$ , then  $N \ll_{Te} M$  if and only if  $N \ll_e M$ . It is clear that  $0 \ll_{Te} M$  and  $M \not\ll_{Te} M$  for any submodule T of M.

**Examples and Remarks (1.2).**

1. It is clear that every T-small submodule of an R-module M is Te-small. The converse is true on uniform modules.
2. For any positive integer m, the zero submodule is the only  $(m\mathbb{Z})_e$ -small in the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
3. Let  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^n} = \langle 1/p^n + \mathbb{Z} \rangle$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^m} = \langle 1/p^m + \mathbb{Z} \rangle$  be submodules of the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^\infty}$ . Then  $m > n$  if and only if  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^n} \ll_{(\square_{p^m})_e} \mathbb{Z}_{p^\infty}$
4. Let M be a semisimple R-module. Since M is the only essential submodule of M, then every proper submodule of M is Te-small.
5. Consider the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}_{24}$  and for  $T = 2\mathbb{Z}_{24}$ ,  $8\mathbb{Z}_{24} \ll_{Te} \mathbb{Z}_{24}$ , but  $8\mathbb{Z}_{24}$  is not T-small in  $\mathbb{Z}_{24}$

**Proposition. (1.3).** Let L, T, and K be submodules of an R-module M with  $L \subseteq T$ . Then

1.  $K \ll_{Te} M$  implies that  $K \cap T \ll_e M$ .
2.  $L \ll_{Te} M$  if and only if  $L \ll_e T$ .

**Proof.1.** Let X be an essential submodule of M and  $(K \cap T) + X = M$ . Then  $T \subseteq (K \cap T) + X \subseteq K + X$  and since  $K \ll_{Te} M$ , then  $T \subseteq X$ . Thus  $K \cap T \subseteq X$  and hence  $X = (K \cap T) + X = M$ .

**2.** Suppose  $L \ll_{Te} M$  and  $L + X = T$  for essential submodule X of T. Then  $T \subseteq L + X$  implies that  $T \subseteq X$ . Thus  $T = X$ . Conversely, suppose  $L \ll_e T$  and  $T \subseteq L + X$  for essential submodule X of M. Then  $T = (L + X) \cap T = L + (X \cap T)$  and hence  $X \cap T = T$ , so  $T \subseteq X$ . □

**Proposition. (1.4).** Let M be an R-module with submodule N, K, T and  $T, N \subseteq K$ . If  $N \ll_{Te} K$ , then  $N \ll_{Te} M$ .

**Proof.** Assume  $T \subseteq N + X$  for some essential submodule X of M. Then  $T \subseteq (N + X) \cap K = N + (X \cap K)$  and hence  $T \subseteq X \cap X$  □

**Proposition. (1.5).** Let N, K and T be submodules of an R-module M. Then  $N \ll_{Te} M$  and  $K \ll_{Te} M$  if and only if  $N + K \ll_{Te} M$

**Proof.** Let X be an essential submodule of M with  $T \subseteq (N + K) + X$ . Then  $T \subseteq K + X$  and hence  $T \subseteq X$ . Conversely, if  $T \subseteq N + X$  and  $T \subseteq K + X$ , then  $T \subseteq (N + K) + X$  which implies that  $T \subseteq X$ . □

**Proposition. (1.6).** Let M be an R-module with submodules N, K and T such that  $K \subseteq N$  and  $K \subseteq T$ . If  $N \ll_{Te} M$ , then  $K \ll_{Te} M$  and  $N/K \ll_{(T/K)_e} M/K$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $N \ll_{Te} M$ . For each essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ , if  $T \subseteq K + X$ , then  $T \subseteq N + X$  and hence  $T \subseteq X$ , so  $K \ll_{Te} M$ . Suppose  $T/K \subseteq N/K + X/K$  for some essential submodule  $X/K$  of  $M/K$ . Then  $T \subseteq N + X$  and so  $T \subseteq X$  which implies that  $T/K \subseteq X/K$ . This shows that  $N/K \ll_{(T/K)e} M/K$  □

**Proposition. (1.7).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with  $N_i \leq M_i \leq M$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) such that  $T \subseteq M_1 \cap M_2$ . Then  $N_i \ll_{Te} M_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) if and only if  $N_1 + N_2 \ll_{Te} M_1 + M_2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $N_i \ll_{Te} M_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). By proposition.(1.4),  $N_i \ll_{Te} M_1 + M_2$ . By the help of proposition.(1.5),  $N_1 + N_2 \ll_{Te} M_1 + M_2$ . The other direction is clear. □

**Proposition. (1.8).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  an  $R$ -homomorphism. If  $K$  and  $T$  are submodule of  $M$  with  $K \ll_{Te} M$ , Then  $\alpha(K) \ll_{\alpha(T)e} N$ . In particular, if  $K \ll_{Te} M \leq N$ , then  $K \ll_{Te} N$ .

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be an essential of  $N$  such that  $\alpha(T) \subseteq \alpha(K) + X$ . If  $t \in T$ , then  $\alpha(t) = x + \alpha(k)$  for some  $x \in X$  and  $k \in K$ . Thus  $\alpha(t-k) \in X$  and so  $t - k \in \alpha^{-1}(X)$  and hence  $T \subseteq K + \alpha^{-1}(X)$ . By  $Te$ -smallness of  $K$  in  $M$ , we have  $T \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(X)$  and  $\alpha(T) \subseteq X$ . □

**Theorem. (1.9).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $N, T$  and  $\alpha$  a surjective endomorphism of  $M$  whose kernel is closed. Then  $N \ll_{Te} M$  if and only if  $\alpha(N) \ll_{\alpha(T)e} M$ .

**Proof.** The " only if " part follows from proposition. (1.8). Conversely, for essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$  suppose that  $T \subseteq N + X$ . Then  $\alpha(T) \subseteq \alpha(N) + \alpha(X)$ . There is an isomorphism  $\bar{\alpha} : M / \ker(\alpha) \rightarrow N$  such that  $\bar{\alpha} \circ \pi = \alpha$  where  $\pi : M \rightarrow M / \ker(\alpha)$  is the natural epimorphism. Now,  $\alpha(X) = \bar{\alpha}(X / \ker(\alpha))$ . Since  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed, then by ([3], proposition (1-4)) we have  $\alpha(X)$  is essential in  $M$ . By  $\alpha(T)e$ -maximality of  $\alpha(N)$  in  $M$  we get  $\alpha(T) \subseteq \alpha(X)$  and hence  $T \subseteq X$ . This completes the proof. □

**Proposition. (1.10).** Let  $\{T_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  be an indexed family of submodules of an  $R$ -module  $M$  and  $N$  a submodule of  $M$ . If  $N \ll_{T_\alpha e} M$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , then  $N \ll_{(\sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda} T_\alpha)e} M$ .

**Proof.** For an essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ , assume that  $\sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda} T_\alpha \subseteq N + X$ . Then for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,  $T_\alpha \subseteq N + X$ . As  $N \ll_{(T_\alpha)e} M$ , then  $T_\alpha \subseteq X$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and hence  $\sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda} T_\alpha \subseteq X$  □

**Corollary. (1.11).** Let  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  be two submodules of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . If  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are mutually essential-small in  $M$ , then  $N_1 \cap N_2 \ll_{(N_1+N_2)e} M$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $N_1 \ll_{N_2e} M$  and  $N_2 \ll_{N_1e} M$ . By proposition.(1.6).  $N_1 \cap N_2 \ll_{N_1e} M$  and  $N_1 \cap N_2 \ll_{N_2e} M$ . So proposition. (1.10) implies that  $N_1 \cap N_2 \ll_{(N_1+N_2)e} M$  □

**Proposition. (1.12).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $N$  and  $T$  ( $\neq 0$ ). Then the following are equivalent

1.  $N \ll_{Te} M$
2. For any  $R$ -module  $L$  and essential  $R$ -homomorphism  $\alpha : L \rightarrow M$ ,  $T \subseteq N + \alpha(L)$  implies that  $T \subseteq \alpha(L)$ .

**Proof.(1)  $\rightarrow$  (2).** It is clear by the definition. (2)  $\rightarrow$  (1). Suppose  $T \subseteq N + X$  for essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ . Let  $i : X \rightarrow M$  be the inclusion mapping. Then by (2)  $T \subseteq N + X = N + i(X)$  implies that  $T \subseteq X$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $N$  and  $T$ . A submodule  $N'$  of  $M$  is called  $T_e$ -supplement of  $N$  in  $M$ , if  $N'$  is minimal essential submodule with the property  $T \subseteq N + N'$ .

**Proposition. (1.13).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $N, N', T$  and  $N'$  is  $T_e$ -supplement of  $N$  in  $M$ . If  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ , then  $T \subseteq N'$ . If in addition,  $T$  is essential, then  $T = N'$ .

**Proof.** Since  $T \subseteq N + N'$  and  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ , then  $T \subseteq N'$ . Furthermore, If  $T$  is essential in  $M$ , then minimality of  $N'$  and  $T \subseteq N + T$  implies that  $T = N'$  □

**Theorem. (1.14).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $K, T$  and  $K'$  an  $T$ -supplement of  $K$  in  $M$ . Then  $K \ll_{K'e} M$  if and only if for each essential submodule  $N$  of  $M$ ,  $T \subseteq K + N$  implies that  $K' \subseteq N$ .

**Proof.** The " only if " part is clear from the definition. For the " if " part, let  $X$  be an essential submodule of  $M$  with  $K' \subseteq X + K$ . Since  $T \subseteq K + K' \subseteq X + K$ , by the hypothesis,  $K' \subseteq X$ . □

### §2 . $T$ -essential radicals of module

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . Recall that a submodule  $K$  of  $M$  is  $T$ -maximal if  $T \not\subseteq K$  and there exists no proper submodule  $W$  of  $K + T$  which contain  $K$  properly [2]. This is equivalent to saying that  $(K + T)/K$  is a simple  $R$ -module. It is clear that a submodule  $N$  is maximal in  $M$  if and only if  $N$  is  $M$ -maximal.

For an  $R$ -module  $M$ , and a submodule  $T$  of  $M$ , consider the following two families of submodules

$$V = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ essential and } T\text{-maximal in } M\}$$

$$\text{and } W = \{L \ll_{T_e} M \mid L + K \subseteq T + K \text{ for all } T\text{-maximal submodule } K \text{ in } M\}$$

**Theorem. (2.1).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a nontrivial finitely generated submodule of  $M$ . Then  $\bigcap_{K \in V} K = \sum_{L \in W} L$

**Proof.** Let  $L \in W$ . We show that  $L \subseteq K$  for each  $K \in V$ . If not then  $K \not\subseteq L + K \subseteq T + K$ . Since  $K$  is  $T$ -maximal we have  $L + K = T + K$  and hence  $T \subseteq L + K$ . But  $L \ll_{T_e} M$ , then  $T \subseteq K$  and hence  $(T+K)/K = 0$  with a contradiction. Thus  $\sum_{L \in W} L \subseteq \bigcap_{K \in V} K$ . Conversely, let  $x \in \bigcap_{K \in V} K$ . we show  $Rx \in V$ , for each essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ , suppose  $T \subseteq Rx + X$  and  $T \not\subseteq X$ . Consider the following family  $\mathcal{C} = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ is essential in } M, T \not\subseteq K \text{ and } X \subseteq K\}$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{C}$  is nonempty family and we can order  $\mathcal{C}$  by inclusion. Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n Rx_i$ , where  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in M$ . Let  $\mathcal{C}'$  be a chain in  $\mathcal{C}$ . It is clear that  $N \subseteq \bigcup_{K \in \mathcal{C}'} K \leq M$ . if  $T \subseteq \bigcup_{K \in \mathcal{C}'} K$ , then there exists  $\{K_1, K_2, \dots, K_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}'$  such that for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $x_i \in K_i$ , we may assume  $K_i \leq K_n$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus  $T \subseteq K_n$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $T \not\subseteq \bigcup_{K \in \mathcal{C}'} K$  and hence  $\bigcup_{K \in \mathcal{C}'} K \in \mathcal{C}$  and an upper bound of  $\mathcal{C}'$ . By Zorn's lemma  $\mathcal{C}$  has a maximal element  $K_0$  (say). We claim that  $K_0$  is  $T$ -maximal. First we note that  $K_0$  is an essential submodule of  $M$  and  $(T+K_0)/K_0 \neq 0$ . Assume that  $K_0 \not\subseteq U \leq T + K_0$ . By maximality of  $K_0$ , we get  $T \subseteq U$  and hence  $U = T + K_0$ . Thus  $K_0$  is  $T$ -maximal and  $x \in K_0$  which is a contradiction, because  $x \in \bigcap_{K \in W} K$ . This shows that  $Rx \ll_{T_e} M$ . on the other hand, for any  $T$ -maximal submodule  $K$  of  $M$ ,  $K = Rx + K$  and so  $Rx \in V$ . Therefore  $\bigcap_{K \in V} K \subseteq \sum_{L \in W} L$  □

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with a submodule  $T$ . we denote the intersection of all essential  $T$ -maximal submodules of  $M$  by  $J_{T_e}(M)$ , and call it the  $T$ -essential radical of  $M$ . By the proof of theorem. (2.1), we get the following evident result

**Corollary. (2.2).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with nontrivial finitely generated submodule  $T$ . Then for any  $x \in M$  and all  $T$ -maximal submodule  $K$  of  $M, x \in J_{Te}(M)$  if and only if  $Rx \ll_{Te} M$  and  $Rx + T \subseteq T + K$ . Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then we have the following inclusion relation  $J_T(M) \subseteq J_{Te}(M)$  for any nontrivial finitely generated submodule  $T$  of  $M$ .

**Definition. (2.3).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . A submodule  $K$  of  $M$  is called  $Te$ -maximal, if  $T \not\subseteq K$  and there is no essential submodule  $W$  of  $M$  with the property  $K \not\subseteq W \not\subseteq K + T$ . This equivalent to saying that  $(K + T)/K$  is nonzero and  $(K + T)/K$  is the only essential submodule of  $(K + T)/K$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . Consider the following two families of submodules of  $M$ .

$$V' = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ is } Te\text{-maximal submodule of } M\}$$

$$W' = \{L \leq M \mid L \ll_T M, L + K \subseteq T + K \text{ for all } Te\text{-maximal submodule } K \text{ of } M\}$$

**Theorem. (2.4).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a nontrivial finitely generated submodule of  $M$ . Then  $\sum_{L \in W'} L \subseteq \bigcap_{K \in V'} K, K \subseteq \sum_{L \in W'} L$  where

$$W'' = \{L \ll_{Te} M \mid L + K \subseteq T + K \text{ for all } Te\text{-maximal submodule } K \text{ of } M\}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $L \in W'$  and there is a submodule  $K \in V'$  such that  $L \not\subseteq K$ . Then  $K \not\subseteq L + K \subseteq T + K$ . Since  $K$  is  $Te$ -maximal in  $M$ , we have  $L + K = T + K$  and hence  $T \subseteq L + K$ . Since  $L \ll_T M$ , then  $T \subseteq K$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $L \subseteq K$  for each  $Te$ -maximal submodule  $K$  of  $M$  and hence  $\sum_{L \in W'} L \subseteq \bigcap_{K \in V'} K$ . Let  $x \in \bigcap_{K \in V'} K$ . We show that  $Rx \in W''$ . Suppose that there is an essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$  with  $T \subseteq Rx + X$  and  $T \not\subseteq X$ . Consider the following family  $\mathcal{C} = \{K \leq M \mid X \subseteq K \text{ and } T \not\subseteq K\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}$  is nonempty and we can order  $\mathcal{C}$  by inclusion. Let  $\mathcal{C}' = \{K_\alpha \in \mathcal{C} \mid \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a chain in  $\mathcal{C}$ . It is clear that  $X \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha \leq M, T = \sum_{i=1}^n Rx_i$  where  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in T$ . If  $T \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha$ , then there exists  $\{K_{\alpha_1}, K_{\alpha_2}, \dots, K_{\alpha_n}\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}'$ . For any  $1 \leq i \leq n, x_i \in K_{\alpha_i}$ , we may assume that  $K_{\alpha_i} \leq K_{\alpha_n}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus  $T \subseteq K_{\alpha_n}$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $T \not\subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha$  and hence  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha \in \mathcal{C}$  and an upper bound of  $\mathcal{C}'$ . By Zorn's Lemma  $\mathcal{C}$  has a maximal element  $K_0$  (say). We claim that  $K_0$  is  $Te$ -maximal in  $M$ . It is clear  $T \not\subseteq K_0$ . Assume that  $K_0 \not\subseteq U \subseteq K_0 + T$ , where  $U$  is an essential submodule of  $M$ . By maximality of  $K_0$ , we have  $T \subseteq U$  and hence  $U = K_0 + T$ . Thus  $K_0$  is  $Te$ -maximal in  $M$  and  $x \in K_0$  which is a contradiction, because  $x \in \bigcap_{K \in V'} K$ . This shows that  $Rx \ll_{Te} M$ . On the other hand, for any  $Te$ -maximal submodule  $K$  of  $M, K = Rx + K \subseteq T + K$  and so  $Rx \in W''$ . □

In the following proposition we see the behavior of  $Te$ -maximal submodules under homomorphisms.

**Proposition. (2.5).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  an  $R$ -homomorphism. If  $T$  is a submodule of  $M$  and  $K$  is a  $Te$ -maximal submodule of  $M$  with  $\ker(\alpha) \subseteq K$ , then  $\alpha(K)$  is  $\alpha(T)$ -maximal in  $N$ .

**Proof.** If  $\alpha(T) \subseteq \alpha(K)$ , then for each  $t \in T, \alpha(t) = \alpha(k)$  for some  $k \in K$  and hence  $t - k \in \ker(\alpha) \subseteq K$ . Thus  $t \in K$  which is a contradiction. Now, let  $W$  be an essential submodule of  $N$  with  $\alpha(K) \not\subseteq W \subseteq \alpha(K + T)$ . Then  $K = \alpha^{-1}(\alpha(K)) \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(W) \subseteq K + T$ . On the other hand  $K \not\subseteq \alpha^{-1}(W)$ , if not, that is  $K = \alpha^{-1}(W)$  and since  $\alpha(K) \not\subseteq W$ , there exists  $w \in W \setminus \alpha^{-1}(K)$ . But  $W \subseteq \alpha(K + T)$ , this implies that  $w = \alpha(k + t)$  for some  $k \in K$  and  $t \in T$ . Thus  $k + t \in \alpha^{-1}(W)$ , and hence  $t \in K$ . It follows that  $\alpha(t) \in \alpha(K)$  which is a contradiction.  $\alpha^{-1}(W)$  is an essential submodule of  $M$  and  $K$  is  $Te$ -maximal in  $M$ , that  $\alpha^{-1}(W) = K + T$  and hence  $W = \alpha(K) + \alpha(T)$ . □

An  $R$ -epimorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  is called closed if  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed in  $M$ .

**Proposition. (2.6).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  a closed  $R$ -epimorphism, if  $T$  is a submodule of  $M$  and  $K$  is  $\alpha(T)$ - $e$ -maximal submodule in  $N$ , then  $\alpha^{-1}(K)$  is  $T$ - $e$ -maximal submodule of  $M$ .

**Proof.** First we show that  $T \not\subseteq \alpha^{-1}(K)$ , if not, then  $T \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(K)$  and hence  $\alpha(T) \subseteq K$  which is a contradiction. Suppose that  $W$  is an essential submodule of  $M$  with  $\alpha^{-1}(K) \subseteq W \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(K) + T$ . Then  $K = \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(K)) \subseteq \alpha(W) \subseteq K + \alpha(T)$ . There is an isomorphism  $\bar{\alpha} : M / \ker(\alpha) \rightarrow N$  such that  $\bar{\alpha} \circ \pi = \alpha$  where  $\pi : M \rightarrow M / \ker(\alpha)$  is the natural epimorphism. Thus  $\alpha(W) = \bar{\alpha}(W/\ker(\alpha))$ . Since  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed, then  $W/\ker(\alpha)$  is essential in  $M$  and hence  $\alpha(W)$  is essential in  $N$  ([3], proposition(1-4)). By  $\alpha(T)$ - $e$ -maximality of  $K$  in  $N$ , then  $\alpha(W) = K$  or  $\alpha(W) = K + \alpha(T)$ . If  $\alpha(W) = K$ , then  $W \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(\alpha(W)) = \alpha^{-1}(K)$  with the other case, if  $\alpha(W) = K + \alpha(T)$ , let  $w \in \alpha^{-1}(K) + T$  then  $w = a + t$  for some  $a \in \alpha^{-1}(K)$  and  $t \in T$  and so  $\alpha(w) = \alpha(a) + \alpha(t)$ , hence  $a + t - w \in \ker(\alpha) \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(K) \subseteq W$  and  $a + t \in W$ , this implies that  $\alpha^{-1}(K) + T \subseteq W$ . Thus  $\alpha^{-1}(K) + T = W$ . This implies that  $\alpha^{-1}(K)$  is  $T$ - $e$ -maximal submodule in  $M$ . □

Let  $M$  be  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . We denote  $J'_{Te}(M)$  the intersection of all  $T$ - $e$ -maximal submodules of  $M$ . Then we have the following inclusion relation  $J'_{Te}(M) \subseteq J_T(M) \subseteq J_{Te}(M)$ .

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$N \leq M$	$N \trianglelefteq M$	$N \ll M$	$N \ll_{2\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_{3\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_{4\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_{6\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_{8\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_{12\mathbb{Z}_{24}} M$	$N \ll_0 M$	$N \ll_{(M)e} M$	$N \ll_{(2\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{(3\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{(4\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{(6\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{(8\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{(12\mathbb{Z}_{24})e} M$	$N \ll_{0e} M$
$M$	√	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	√	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	√
$2\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	√	x	x	√	x	x	x	x	√	√	x	√	x	√	x	√	√
$3\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	x	x	x	x	x	x	√	x	√	x	x	x	√	√	√	√	√
$4\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	√	x	x	x	x	√	x	x	√	√	x	√	x	√	x	√	√
$6\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	x	√	x	√	x	x	√	x	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
$8\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	x	x	x	√	x	√	x	x	√	√	x	√	x	√	x	√	√
$12\mathbb{Z}_{24}$	x	√	√	√	x	√	√	x	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
$0$	x	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√

$$\begin{aligned}
 J'_{Me}(M) &= 6\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_M(M) &= 6\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_{Me}(M) &= 2\mathbb{Z}_{24} \\
 J'_{(2\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 12\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_{2\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 12\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_{(2\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 4\mathbb{Z}_{24} \\
 J'_{(3\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 0, & J_{3\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 6\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_{(3\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 2\mathbb{Z}_{24} \\
 J'_{(4\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 0, & J_{4\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 0, & J_{(4\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= M \\
 J'_{(6\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 0, & J_{6\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 12\mathbb{Z}_{24}, & J_{(6\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 4\mathbb{Z}_{24} \\
 J'_{(8\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 0, & J_{8\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 0, & J_{(8\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= M \\
 J'_{(12\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= 0, & J_{12\mathbb{Z}_{24}}(M) &= 0, & J_{(12\mathbb{Z}_{24})e}(M) &= M \\
 J'_{0e}(M) &= M, & J_0(M) &= M, & J_{0e}(M) &= M
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem. (2.8).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  a closed  $R$ -epimorphism such that  $\ker(\alpha) \subseteq J'_{Te}(M)$ . Then  $\alpha(J'_{Te}(M)) = J'_{\alpha(T)e}(N)$ .

**Proof.** Consider the following two families,

$$A = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ is } T\text{-maximal submodule of } M\}$$

$$\text{and } B = \{\alpha(K) \leq N \mid \alpha(K) \text{ is } \alpha(T)\text{-maximal submodule of } N\}.$$

Then by proposition (2.5) and (2.6) we have  $\alpha(J'_{Te}(M)) = \alpha(\bigcap_{K \in A} K) = \bigcap_{\alpha(K) \in B} \alpha(K) = J'_{\alpha(T)e}(N)$ .

**Proposition. (2.9).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  a closed  $R$ -epimorphism if  $T$  is a submodule of  $M$  and  $K$  is an essential  $T$ -maximal submodule of  $M$  with  $\ker(\alpha) \subseteq K$ , then  $\alpha(K)$  is essential and  $\alpha(T)$ -maximal in  $N$ .

**Proof.** First we show  $\alpha(K)$  in  $N$ . Since  $\alpha$  is an epimorphism, then there is an isomorphism  $\bar{\alpha} : M / \ker(\alpha) \rightarrow N$  such that  $\bar{\alpha} \circ \pi = \alpha$  where  $\pi : M \rightarrow M / \ker(\alpha)$  is the natural epimorphism. Since  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed and  $K$  is essential in  $M$ , then  $K/\ker(\alpha)$  is essential in  $M/\ker(\alpha)$ , and hence  $\alpha(K) = \bar{\alpha}(K/\ker(\alpha))$  is essential in  $N$ , ([3], 1.4). The rest of the proof as in ([2], lemma 3.4).  $\square$

The proof of the proposition is a similar to that of lemma 3.5 [2].

**Proposition. (2.10).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  an  $R$ -epimorphism. If  $T$  is a submodule of  $M$  and  $K$  is essential  $\alpha(T)$ -maximal submodule of  $N$ , then  $\alpha^{-1}(K)$  is essential  $T$ -maximal in  $M$ .  $\square$

**Theorem. (2.11).** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  a closed  $R$ -epimorphism such that  $\ker(\alpha) \subseteq J_{Te}(M)$ . Then  $\alpha(J_{Te}(M)) = J_{\alpha(T)e}(M)$ .

**Proof.** Consider the following two families

$$A = \{K \leq M \mid K \text{ is } T\text{-maximal submodule of } M\}$$

$$\text{and } B = \{\alpha(K) \leq N \mid \alpha(K) \text{ is } \alpha(T)\text{-maximal submodule of } N\}.$$

Then by proposition(2.9) and (2.10), we have  $\alpha(J_{Te}(M)) = \alpha(\bigcap_{K \in A} K) = \bigcap_{\alpha(K) \in B} \alpha(K) = J_{\alpha(T)e}(N)$   $\square$

**Proposition. (2.12).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . If every proper essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$  with  $T \not\subseteq X$  is contained in a  $T$ -maximal submodule of  $M$ , then  $J_{Te}(M)$  (resp.  $J_T(M), J'_T(M)$ )  $\ll_{Te} M$ .

**Proof.** Assume  $X$  is a proper essential submodule of  $M$  with  $T \subseteq J_{Te}(M) + X$ .  $T \not\subseteq X$ , then by the hypothesis,  $X \subseteq K$  for some  $T$ -maximal submodule  $K$  of  $M$ . Then  $K$  is essential in  $M$ . Thus  $J_{Te}(M) \subseteq K$ , so  $T \subseteq K + X = K$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $T \subseteq X$  and hence  $J_{Te}(M) \ll_{Te} M$ . The relation  $J'_{Te}(M) \subseteq J_T(M) \subseteq J_{Te}(M)$  and proposition(1.6) imply that  $J_T(M) ( J'_T(M) ) \ll_{Te} M$ .  $\square$

As application of Zorn's lemma, we have the following corollary

**Corollary. (2.13).** Let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Then  $J_{Te}(M)$  (resp.  $J_T(M), J'_T(M)$ )  $\ll_{Te} M$   $\square$

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a nonzero submodule of  $M$ . We say that  $M$  is  $Te$ -cosemisimple, if each submodule of  $M$  is intersection of  $Te$ -maximal submodule of  $M$ .

**Theorem. (2.14).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a nonzero submodule of  $M$ . Then  $M$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple if and only if  $J'_{(K+T/K)e}(M/K) = 0$  for each closed submodule  $K$  of  $M$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $M$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple and  $K$  a closed submodule of  $M$ . Then  $K = \bigcap_{S \in B} S$ , where  $B$  is the family of  $T_e$ -maximal submodules of  $M$ . Consider the following two families

$$A = \{S/K \leq M/K \mid S/K \text{ is } (T+K/K)\text{-maximal submodule of } M/K\}$$

$$\text{and } A' = \{S \leq M \mid K \leq S \text{ and } S \text{ is } T_e\text{-maximal submodule of } M\}.$$

We note that by proposition(2.5) and (2.6),  $B \subseteq A'$  and  $S/K \in A$  if and only if  $S \in A'$ . Thus  $J'_{(K+T/K)e}(M/K) = \bigcap_A S/K = (\bigcap_{A'} S)/K = (\bigcap_{A'} S)/(\bigcap_B S) = 0$ . Conversely, suppose that  $J'_{(K+T/K)e}(M/K) = 0$  for all closed submodule  $K$  of  $M$ . Then  $0 = J'_{(K+T/K)e}(M/K) = \bigcap_A S/K = (\bigcap_{A'} S)/K$ . This mean that  $K = \bigcap_{A'} S$  □

**Proposition. (2.15).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a nonzero submodule of  $M$ . If  $M$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple, then

1. Every submodule of  $M$  containing  $T$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple.
2.  $M/N$  is  $((T+N)/N)$ -cosemisimple for each submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Proof. 1.** Suppose  $T \leq N \leq M$  and  $M$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple. If  $L$  is a submodule of  $N$ , then  $L = L \cap N = (\bigcup_A S) \cap N = \bigcap_A (S \cap N)$  where  $A$  is the set of all  $T_e$ -maximal submodule of  $M$ . Since  $((S \cap N) + T)/(S \cap N) \simeq T/((S \cap N) \cap T) = T/(S \cap T) \simeq S + T/T$  is a simple  $R$ -module, then  $S \cap N$  is  $T_e$ -maximal submodule of  $N$  and hence  $N$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple.

**2.** Let  $L/N$  be a submodule of  $M/N$ . Since  $M$  is  $T_e$ -cosemisimple, then  $L/N = (\bigcap_A S)/N = \bigcap_A (S/N)$ , where  $A$  is the set of all  $T_e$ -maximal submodules of  $M$ . By proposition(2.5)  $S/N$  is  $((T+N)/N)$ -maximal in  $M/N$ . Thus  $M/N$  is  $((T+N)/N)$ -cosemisimple. □

### §3. Generalized $T$ -essential(-closed) Hopfian modules

We start by the following proposition.

**Proposition. (3.1).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodule  $K \subseteq N$ ,  $K \subseteq T$  and  $K$  is closed in  $M$ . If  $K \ll_{T_e} M$  and  $N/K \ll_{(T/K)e} M/K$ , then  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ .

**Proof.** For an essential submodule  $X$  of  $M$ , assume that  $T \subseteq N+X$ . Then  $T/K \subseteq (N+X)/K \subseteq N/K + (K+X)/K$ . Since  $X + K$  is essential in  $M$  and  $K$  is closed in  $M$ , then  $(X+K)/K$  is essential in  $M/K$ . The hypothesis implies that  $T/K \subseteq (K+X)/K$  and hence  $T \subseteq K + X$ , but  $K \ll_{T_e} M$ . Thus  $T \subseteq X$ . □

The following corollaries follow from proposition(3.1) and (1.6).

**Corollary. (3.2).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $N$ ,  $K$  and  $T$  such that  $K \subseteq N$ ,  $K \subseteq T$  and  $K$  is closed. Then  $N \ll_{T_e} M$  if and only if  $K \ll_{T_e} M$  and  $N/K \ll_{T_e} M/K$ . □

**Corollary. (3.3).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module with submodules  $K \subseteq N$  and  $K$  closed. Then  $N \ll_{T_e} M$  if and only if  $K \ll_{T_e} M$  and  $N/K \ll_{T_e} M/K$ . □

In proposition(1.9), we considered condition under which the image of  $T_e$ -small submodules in a module being  $\alpha(T)$ -small in  $M$  for some endomorphism  $\alpha$ . Now, we are interesting to consider the

inverse images of  $T_e$ -small submodules. Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is generalized to Hopfian (gH), if every surjective endomorphism of  $M$  has small kernel.

Here, we introduce the following

**Definition. (3.4).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . We say that  $M$  is

1. generalized  $T$ -essential-Hopfian (GTe-H), if  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{T_e} M$  for each surjective endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $M$ .
2. generalized  $T$ -essential-closed-Hopfian (GTec-H), if for each surjective endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $M$ , we have  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed in  $M$  and  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{T_e} M$ .

**Theorem. (3.5).** Let  $M$  be  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . Then the following statements are equivalent

1.  $M$  is GTec-H
2. If  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ , then for every surjective  $R$ -endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $M$ ,  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed in  $M$  and  $\alpha^{-1}(N) \ll_{\alpha^{-1}(T)_e} M$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\rightarrow$  (2). Let  $\alpha$  be a surjective endomorphism of  $M$ . For each essential submodule  $L/K$  of  $M/K$  where  $K = \ker(\alpha)$ , assume  $\alpha^{-1}(T)/K \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(N)/K + L/K$ , then  $\alpha^{-1}(T) \subseteq \alpha^{-1}(N) + L$  and hence  $T \subseteq N + \alpha(L)$ . There exists an isomorphism  $\bar{\alpha} : M/K \rightarrow M/K$  such that  $\bar{\alpha} \circ \pi = \alpha$  where  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/K$  is the natural epimorphism. Then  $\alpha(L) = \bar{\alpha}(L/K)$  and hence  $\alpha(L)$  is essential in  $M$ , ([3] proposition 1.4). Thus  $T \subseteq \alpha(L)$  and hence  $\alpha^{-1}(T) \subseteq L$ . This implies that  $\alpha^{-1}(T)/K \subseteq L/K$  and hence  $\alpha^{-1}(N)/K \ll_{\alpha^{-1}(T)/K_e} M/K$ . By (1),  $K \ll_{T_e} M$  and  $K$  is closed in  $M$ . By proposition (3.1) we have  $\alpha^{-1}(N) \ll_{\alpha^{-1}(T)_e} M$ .

(2)  $\rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\alpha$  be a surjective endomorphism of  $M$ . By (2)  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed in  $M$  and  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{T_e} M$ . Since  $0 \ll_{T_e} M$  for any submodule  $T$  of  $M$ , in particular  $0 \ll_{\alpha(T)_e} M$ . Then  $\ker(\alpha) = \alpha^{-1}(0) \ll_{\alpha^{-1}(T)_e} M$  and hence  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{(T+\ker(\alpha))_e} M$ . This implies that  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{T_e} M$ . Thus  $M$  is GTec-H.  $\square$

**Corollary. (3.6).** Let  $T$  be a submodule of GTec-H  $R$ -module  $M$  and  $\alpha$  a surjective endomorphism of  $M$ . Then the following are equivalent for a submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

1.  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ .
2.  $\alpha(N) \ll_{\alpha(T)_e} M$ .
3.  $\alpha^{-1}(N) \ll_{\alpha^{-1}(T)_e} M$ .  $\square$

**Corollary. (3.7).** The following statements are equivalent for an  $R$ -module  $M$

1.  $M$  is GMec-H
2. If  $N \ll_e M$ , then for every surjective endomorphism  $\alpha$  of  $M$ ,  $\ker(\alpha)$  is closed in  $M$  and  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_e M$ .

**Proposition. (3.8).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T$  a submodule of  $M$ . Then  $M$  is GTe-H if and only if there exists a closed fully invariant submodule  $N \ll_{T_e} M$  such that  $M/N$  is  $G(T/N)_e$ -H

**Proof.** The "if" part is trivial by taking  $N = 0$ . For only if" part, suppose that  $N$  is closed fully invariant submodule of  $M$  such that  $N \ll_{T_e} M$  and  $M/N$  is  $G(T/N)_e$ -H. Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M$  be a surjective. Then define  $\bar{\alpha} : M/N \rightarrow M/N$  by  $\bar{\alpha}(m+N) = \alpha(m) + N$  for all  $m \in M$ . Clearly,  $\bar{\alpha}$  is well-defined surjective endomorphism of  $M/N$ . Then  $\ker(\bar{\alpha}) \ll_{(T/N)_e} M/N$ . Let  $\ker(\bar{\alpha}) = L/N$  for some submodule  $L$  of  $M$ . Then  $L/N \ll_{(T/N)_e} M/N$  and  $N \ll_{T_e} M$ , so by proposition (3.1),  $L \ll_{T_e} M$ , but  $\ker(\alpha) \leq L$ , then  $\ker(\alpha) \ll_{T_e} M$  and hence  $M$  is GTe-H.  $\square$

**Corollary. (3.9).** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is GMe-H if and only if there exists a closed fully invariant submodule  $N \ll_{T_e} M$  such that  $M/N$  is  $G(M/N)_e$ -H.  $\square$

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