

## ON NILPOTENT - INVARIANT MODULES

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**Abstract:** A module is called nilpotent-invariant if it is invariant under any nilpotent endomorphism of its injective envelope. The class of these modules is studied, and some of their properties are developed. In this paper, we continue to study nilpotent-invariant modules over general envelopes.

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### 1 Introduction

Throughout this article, all rings are associative rings with identity and all modules are right unital. For a submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , we use  $N \leq M$  ( $N < M$ ) to mean that  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$  (respectively, proper submodule). We usually write  $\text{End}(M)$  ( $\text{Aut}(M)$ ) to indicate its ring of right  $R$ -module endomorphisms (respectively, automorphism). A submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is called small in  $M$  (denoted as  $N \ll M$ ) if  $N + K \neq M$  for any proper submodule  $K$  of  $M$ .

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of right  $R$ -modules. We say that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under isomorphisms, if  $M \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $N \cong M$ , then  $N \in \mathcal{X}$ . Recall that, let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of right  $R$ -modules which is closed under isomorphisms. A homomorphism  $u : M \rightarrow X$  of right  $R$ -modules is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of a module  $M$  provided that

(1)  $X \in \mathcal{X}$ ; and, for every homomorphism  $u' : M \rightarrow X'$  with  $X' \in \mathcal{X}$ , there exists a homomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  such that  $u' = fu$ ;

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{u} & X \\ & \searrow u' & \swarrow f \\ & & X' \end{array}$$

(2)  $u = fu$  implies that  $f$  is an automorphism for every endomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow X$ .

If (1) holds, then  $u : M \rightarrow X$  is called an  $\mathcal{X}$ -pre-envelope.

In [3], Guil Asensio, Keskin and Srivastava introduced the notion of  $\mathcal{X}$ -automorphism-invariant modules. It shows that the endomorphism ring of an  $\mathcal{X}$ -automorphism-invariant module is a semiregular ring. Some other properties of  $\mathcal{X}$ -automorphism-invariant modules are studied.

A right  $R$ -module  $M$  having an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope  $u : M \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism-invariant ( $\mathcal{X}$ -automorphism-invariant) if for any endomorphism (resp., automorphism)  $g$  of  $X$ , there exists an endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  such that  $u \circ f = g \circ u$ .

In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent-invariant modules with accompanying conditions and study some of their properties.

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## 2 Results

It is easy to see that the  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope is unique up to isomorphisms. We have the following propositions.

**Theorem 2.1.** ([4], Proposition 1.2.1). *If  $u : M \rightarrow X$  and  $u' : M \rightarrow X'$  are two  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelopes of an  $R$ -module  $M$ , then  $X' \cong X$ .*

**Theorem 2.2.** ([4], Theorem 1.2.5). *Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ , and  $u_i : M_i \rightarrow X_i$  are  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $M_i$ . Then,  $u_1 \oplus u_2 : M \rightarrow X_1 \oplus X_2$  is a  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $M$ .*

Let  $M, N$  be  $R$ -modules. We will say that  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $N$ -injective if there exist  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelopes  $u_N : N \rightarrow X_N, u_M : M \rightarrow X_M$  satisfying that for any homomorphism  $g : X_N \rightarrow X_M$ , there is a homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$  such that  $gu_N = u_M f$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_N & \xrightarrow{g} & X_M \\ u_N \uparrow & & u_M \uparrow \\ N & \xrightarrow{f} & M \end{array}$$

If  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $M$ -injective, then  $M$  is said to be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module.

A class  $\mathcal{X}$  of right modules over a ring  $R$ , closed under isomorphisms is called an enveloping class if any right  $R$ -module  $M$  has an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be an enveloping class. If  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $N$ -injective, then  $M'$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $N'$ -injective for any direct summand  $N'$  of  $N$  and any direct summand  $M'$  of  $M$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $N = N' \oplus K, M = M' \oplus L$  for some submodules  $K$  of  $N$  and  $L$  of  $M$ . Let  $u_{N'} : N' \rightarrow X_{N'}, u_K : K \rightarrow X_K, u_{M'} : M' \rightarrow X_{M'}, u_L : L \rightarrow X_L$  be  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelopes of  $N', K, M', L$ , respectively. We have  $u_{N'} \oplus u_K : N \rightarrow X_{N'} \oplus X_K$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $N$  and  $u_{M'} \oplus u_L : M \rightarrow X_{M'} \oplus X_L$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $M$ . Let  $\alpha : X_{N'} \rightarrow X_{M'}$  be any homomorphism. Call  $\pi : X_{N'} \oplus X_K \rightarrow X_{N'}$  the canonical projection and  $i : X_{M'} \rightarrow X_{M'} \oplus X_L$  the inclusion map. Let  $g = i\alpha\pi : X_{N'} \oplus X_K \rightarrow X_{M'} \oplus X_L$ . Since  $N$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $M$ -injective, there exists a homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$  such that  $g(u_{N'} \oplus u_K) = (u_{M'} \oplus u_L)f$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_N & \xrightarrow{g} & X_M \\ u_{N'} \oplus u_K \uparrow & & u_{M'} \oplus u_L \uparrow \\ N & \xrightarrow{f} & M \end{array}$$

It follows that  $gu_{N'} = u_{M'}f$ . Call  $\pi_{M'} : M' \oplus L \rightarrow M'$  the canonical projection and  $i_{N'} : N' \rightarrow N' \oplus K$  the inclusion map. Let  $g' = \pi_{M'}fi_{N'} : N' \rightarrow M'$ . Then we can check that  $\alpha u_{N'} = u_{M'}g'$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_{N'} & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & X_{M'} \\ u_{N'} \uparrow & & u_{M'} \uparrow \\ N' & \xrightarrow{g'} & M' \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $M'$  is  $\mathcal{X} - N'$ -injective □

The following corollaries are straightforward and we state them without any proof.

**Corollary 2.4.** *If  $M$  is a  $\mathcal{X} - N$ -injective module and  $L$  is a direct summand of  $N$ , then  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X} - L$ -injective module.*

**Corollary 2.5.** *Every direct summand of an  $\mathcal{X} - M$ -injective module is also an  $\mathcal{X} - M$ -injective module.*

**Corollary 2.6.** *Any direct summand of an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module is  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant.*

**Corollary 2.7.** *Assume that  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ . If  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant, then  $M_1$  is  $\mathcal{X} - M_2$ -injective and  $M_2$  is  $\mathcal{X} - M_1$ -injective.*

**Definition 2.8.** An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called *strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure* if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  and any homomorphism  $f : A \rightarrow X$ , with  $X \in \mathcal{X}$ , extends to a homomorphism  $g : M \rightarrow X$  such that  $gi = f$  in which  $i : A \rightarrow M$  is the inclusion map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & M \\ \downarrow f & \swarrow g & \\ X & & \end{array}$$

A module  $M$  is called a *C2-module* if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  such that  $A$  is isomorphic to a direct summand of  $M$ , then  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be an enveloping class and let  $M$  be a strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure module. If  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module then  $M$  is a C2-module.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a submodule of  $M$ , and  $B$  be a direct summand of  $M$  such that  $A \cong B$ . Take  $\varphi : B \rightarrow A$  an isomorphism. Let  $u_B : B \rightarrow X_B$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $B$ ,  $u_M : M \rightarrow X_M$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is a strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure module, the homomorphism  $u_B\varphi^{-1} : A \rightarrow X_B$  extends to a homomorphism  $\beta : M \rightarrow X_B$  such that  $u_B\varphi^{-1} = \beta i$ . Since  $u_M : M \rightarrow X_M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -preenvelope of  $M$ , there exists  $k : X_M \rightarrow X_B$  such that  $\beta = ku_M$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} B & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & A & \xrightarrow{i} & M & \xrightarrow{u_M} & X_M \\ & & \searrow u_B & & \downarrow u_B\varphi^{-1} & & \downarrow \beta \\ & & & & X_B & & \downarrow k \\ & & & & & & \end{array}$$

We have that  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module and  $B$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and obtain that  $B$  is  $\mathcal{X} - M$ -injective by Corollary 2.5. Therefore, there exists  $f : M \rightarrow B$  such that  $ku_M = u_Bf$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_M & \xrightarrow{k} & X_B \\ u_M \uparrow & & \uparrow u_B \\ M & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

Now we have

$$u_B \varphi^{-1} = \beta i = k u_M i = u_B f i$$

As  $u_B$  is monomorphism, and so  $\varphi^{-1} = f i$ . It follows that  $i \varphi$  is a splitting monomorphism. That means  $Im(i \varphi) = A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.10.** A right  $R$ -module  $M$  having a  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope  $u : M \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent invariant if for any nilpotent endomorphism  $g$  of  $X$ , there exists an endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  such that  $u f = g u$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{g} & X \\ u \uparrow & & \uparrow u \\ M & \xrightarrow{f} & M \end{array}$$

**Lemma 2.11.** Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent invariant module. Then  $M_1$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $M_2$ -injective.

*Proof.* Let  $u_1 : M_1 \rightarrow X_1, u_2 : M_2 \rightarrow X_2$  be  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelopes of  $M_1, M_2$ , respectively. Thus,  $u = u_1 \oplus u_2 : M \rightarrow X = X_1 \oplus X_2$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope of  $M$ . For any homomorphism  $g : X_1 \rightarrow X_2, \bar{g} : X \rightarrow X$  via  $\bar{g}(x_1 + x_2) = g(x_1)$  is a nilpotent endomorphism of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent invariant module, there exists  $h : M \rightarrow M$  such that  $\bar{g} u = u h$ . Take  $f = \pi_2 h i_1$  with  $\pi_2 : M \rightarrow M_2$  the canonical projection and  $i_1 : M_1 \rightarrow M$  the inclusion map, then we have  $u_2 f = g u_1$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 & \xrightarrow{g} & X_2 \\ u_1 \uparrow & & \uparrow u_2 \\ M_1 & \xrightarrow{f} & M_2 \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $M_2$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $M_1$ -injective.  $\square$

A module  $M$  is called a  $C3$ -module if for two direct summands  $A$  and  $B$  of  $M$  with  $A \cap B = 0$ , then  $A \oplus B$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.12.** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be an enveloping class and  $M$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent invariant module. If  $M$  is a strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure module, then  $M$  is a  $C3$ -module.

*Proof.* Assume that  $A, B$  are direct summands of  $M$  with  $A \cap B = 0$ . Let  $A'$  be some submodule of  $M$  such that  $M = A \oplus A'$ . We claim that, there exists  $M' \leq M$  such that  $M = A \oplus M'$  and  $B \leq M'$ . Let  $\pi : M \rightarrow A, \pi' : M \rightarrow A'$  be the projections. Since  $A \cap B = 0$ ,  $\pi'|_B : B \rightarrow A'$  is a monomorphism. Moreover,  $M$  is a strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure module,  $A'$  is too.

It follows that  $u\pi'|_B : B \rightarrow X_{A'}$  is preenvelope, where  $u : A \rightarrow X_A$  and  $u' : A' \rightarrow X_{A'}$  are envelopes.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B & \xrightarrow{\pi'|_B} & A' & \xrightarrow{u'} & X_{A'} \\
 \pi|_B \downarrow & & & \nearrow h & \\
 A & & & & \\
 u \downarrow & & & & \\
 X_A & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

By definition of preenvelope, there exists  $h : X_{A'} \rightarrow X_A$  such that  $hu'\pi'|_B = u\pi|_B$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X_{A'} & \xrightarrow{h} & X_A \\
 u' \uparrow & & \uparrow u \\
 A' & \xrightarrow{g} & A
 \end{array}$$

Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ - $A'$ -injective by Lemma 2.11, there exists  $g : A' \rightarrow A$  such that  $hu' = ug$ . Therefore  $u\pi|_B = hu'\pi'|_B = ug\pi'|_B$ . As  $u$  is a monomorphism,  $\pi|_B = g\pi'|_B$ .

Let

$$M' = \{a' + g(a') \mid a' \in A'\}.$$

For every  $b \in B$ , we have

$$b = \pi'(b) + \pi(b) = \pi'(b) + g\pi'(b).$$

It follows that  $b \in M'$ . Then  $B \leq M'$ . It is easy to see that  $A \cap M' = 0$  and for every  $m \in M$

$$m = a + a' = a - g(a') + (a' + g(a')) \in A + M', (a \in A, a' \in A').$$

Thus  $M = A + M'$ , and so  $M = A \oplus M'$ . On the other hand, we have  $M = B \oplus B'$  for some  $B' \leq M$ , then  $M' = B \oplus (M' \cap B')$ . We deduce that

$$M = A \oplus M' = A \oplus B \oplus (M' \cap B')$$

It means that  $A \oplus B$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . □

We will say that  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -*extending invariant* (or  $X$ -*extending*) if there exists an  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope  $u : M \rightarrow X$  such that for any idempotent  $g \in \text{End}(X)$  there exists an idempotent  $f : M \rightarrow M$  such that  $g(X) \cap u(M) = uf(M)$  or  $uf = guf$ .

A ring  $R$  is called *nil-clean* with any  $x \in R$ , we can write the form  $x = e + n$  for some idempotent  $e \in R$  and nilpotent  $n \in R$ .

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $M$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -extending invariant module and  $u : M \rightarrow X$  be a monomorphic  $\mathcal{X}$ -envelope with  $u(M)$  essential in  $X$ .*

*Assume that  $\text{End}(X)$  is a nil-clean ring. If  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -automorphism invariant and is strongly  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure then  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module.*

*Proof.* Let  $g$  be any endomorphism of  $X$ . By the hypothesis, we have  $g = e + f$  in which  $e$  is an idempotent endomorphism of  $X$  and  $f$  is a nilpotent endomorphism of  $X$ . Since  $M$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -nilpotent invariant module, there exists a homomorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M$  such that  $fu = u\alpha$ .

On the other hand, since  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -extending invariant module and  $e$  is an idempotent endomorphism of  $X$ , there exists an idempotent endomorphism  $e'$  of  $X$  such that  $e(X) \cap u(M) = ue'(M)$ . Therefore  $A = u^{-1}(e(X)) \cap M = e'(M)$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . Since  $(1 - e)$  is also an idempotent endomorphism of  $X$ ,  $B = u^{-1}((1 - e)(X)) \cap M$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . It is easy to see that  $A \cap B = 0$ . By Theorem 2.12,  $A \oplus B$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . Let  $M = A \oplus B \oplus C$  for some  $C \leq M$ , then  $M = A \oplus A'$  where  $A' = B \oplus C \geq B$ . Let  $\pi : A \oplus A' \rightarrow A$  be the canonical projection. We show that  $eu = u\pi$ . Assume that, there exists  $0 \neq m \in M$  such that  $(eu - u\pi)(m) \neq 0$ . Since  $u(M) \leq^e X$ , there exists  $m_1 \in M$  such that  $u(m_1) = (eu - u\pi)(m) \neq 0$ . Hence  $u(m_1 + \pi(m)) = eu(m) \in e(X)$ , so  $m_1 + \pi(m) \in A$ . Moreover,  $eu(m_1 + \pi(m)) = e^2u(m) = eu(m)$ , so  $eu(m_1 + \pi(m) - m) = 0$ . Now,

$$u(m_1 + \pi(m) - m) = (1 - e)u(m_1 + \pi(m) - m) \in (1 - e)(X),$$

so  $m_1 + \pi(m) - m \in B$ .

Let  $m = a + a'$ , where  $a \in A, a' \in A'$ , then  $m_1 + \pi(m) - a - a' \in B \leq A'$  and  $\pi(m) = a$ . Therefore  $m_1 + \pi(m) - a \in A' \cap A = 0$ . Thus  $m_1 = 0$ , a contradiction.

Let  $h = \alpha + \pi \in \text{End}(M)$ , it follows that

$$gu = (e + f)u = eu + fu = u\pi + u\alpha = u(\pi + \alpha) = uh.$$

That means  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -endomorphism invariant module. □

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## TÓM TẮT

### LỚP CÁC MÔĐUN BẤT BIẾN LŨY LINH

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