



On e-Small Submodules

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Abstract

Let M be an R -module, where R is a commutative ring with unity. A submodule N of M is called e-small (denoted by $N \ll_e M$) if $N + K = M$, where $K \leq_e M$ implies $K = M$. We give many properties related with this type of submodules.

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1- Introduction

Throughout this work, R is a commutative ring with unity and M is an R -module. A proper submodule N of M is called small ($N \ll M$), if $N + K = M$ where $K \leq M$ implies $K = M$, [1]. A submodule N of M is called δ -small if $N + K = M$ with $\frac{M}{K}$ is singular implies, $K = M$, [2]. A submodule N of M is called essential ($N \leq_e M$) if $N \cap W \neq (0)$ for any non zero submodule W of M , [3]. An R -module M is called singular (non singular) if $Z(M) = M$ ($Z(M) = (0)$), where $Z(M) = \{x \in M: \text{ann}(x) \leq R\}$. Zhou and Zhang in [4] introduce a new type of small submodule namely e -small submodule and give some basic properties of this kind of submodules.

In this paper, we continue the work of Zhou [4] and give many other properties of e -small submodule and study the behavior of e -small submodules in certain class of module.

2- Preliminary

Definition (2.1): [4]

Let N be a submodule of a module M . N is said to be **e -small** in M (denoted by $N \ll_e M$), if $N + L = M$ with $L \leq_e M$ implies $L = M$.

Remark (2.2):

Obviously, every small (δ -small) submodule of an R -module M is e -small [4], but the converses are not true in general, for example:

In the Z -module Z_{12} , the submodule $N = \langle \bar{2} \rangle \ll_e Z_{12}$ but $N \not\ll_{\delta} Z_{12}$, also $N \not\ll_{\delta} Z_{12}$.

Also, in the Z -module Z_6 , $N = \langle \bar{3} \rangle \ll_e Z_6$, but $N \not\ll_{\delta} Z_6$ and $N \not\ll_{\delta} Z_6$, [4].

Proposition (2.3): [4, Proposition 2.3]

Let N be a submodule of M . The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) $N \ll_e M$
- (2) If $X + N = M$, then $X \leq \oplus M$ with $\frac{M}{X}$ a semisimple module. Where $X \leq \oplus M$, means there exists $W \leq M$ such that $W \oplus X = M$.

Corollary (2.4): [4]

If M is a projective module, then every e -small submodule N of M is δ -small.

The next proposition explains how close the notion of e -small submodules to small submodules.

Proposition (2.5): [4, Proposition 2.5]

Let M be an R -module

- (1) Assume N, K, L are submodules of M with $K \leq N$:
 - (a) If $N \ll_e M$, then $K \ll_e M$ and $\frac{N}{K} \ll_e \frac{M}{K}$.
 - (b) $N + L \ll_e M$ if and only if $N \ll_e M$ and $L \ll_e M$.

- (2) If $K \ll_e M$ and $f : M \longrightarrow N$ is a homeomorphism, then $f(K) \ll_e N$. In particular, if $K \ll_e M \leq N$, then $K \ll_e N$.
- (3) Assume that $K_1 \subseteq M_1 < M$, $K_2 \subseteq M_2 \leq M$ and $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$, then $K_1 \oplus K_2 \ll_e M_1 \oplus M_2$ if and only if $K_1 \ll_e M_1$ and $K_2 \ll_e M_2$.

3- Main Results

Proposition (3.1):

Let M be an R -module, let $m \in M$. Then $Rm \ll_e M$ if and only if there exists an essential maximal submodule N with $m \notin N$.

Proof:

(\Leftarrow) Suppose there exists an essential maximal submodule N such that $m \notin N$. Hence $M = Rm + N$ and so $Rm \ll_e M$.

(\Rightarrow) Suppose $Rm \ll_e M$. Hence there exists an essential submodule W ($W \neq M$) such that $M = Rm + W$. Let $C = \{N \leq M : Rm + N = M\}$. Then $C \neq \emptyset$. By Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal element N in C such that $Rm + N = M$. We claim that N is a maximal submodule. Suppose N is not maximal, so there exists a submodule K of M with $N \subset K \subset M$. But $N \leq_e M$, so $K \leq_e M$ and $M = Rm + N \subseteq Rm + K$, thus $Rm + K = M$ and hence $K \in C$. But this contradicts the maximality of N . Therefore N is a maximal submodule, and $N \leq_e M$ with $m \notin N$.

Proposition (3.2):

Let M be an R -module, let $K \leq N \leq M$ be submodules of M . If $K \ll_e M$ and $N \leq_e^{\oplus} M$, then $K \ll_e N$.

Proof:

Since $N \leq_e^{\oplus} M$, then $M = N \oplus W$ for some $W \leq M$. To prove $K \ll_e N$. Assume $N = K + U$ for some $U \leq N$. Then $M = (K + U) \oplus W = K + (U \oplus W)$. We claim that $(U \oplus W) \leq_e M$.

To see this : let $m \in M$ and $m \neq 0$. As $M = N \oplus W$, $m = n + w$ for some $n \in N$, $w \in W$. If $n \neq 0$, then there exists $r \in R \setminus \{0\}$ such that $0 \neq rn \in U$, hence $rm = rn + rw \neq 0$ (because if $rm = 0$, then $rn = -rw \in N \cap W = (0)$ and hence $rn = 0$ which is a contradiction). Thus $0 \neq rm \in (U \oplus W)$.

Now if $n = 0$, then $m = w$ and so $0 \neq 1 \cdot m = 1 \cdot w \in W \subseteq (U \oplus W)$. Therefore $(U \oplus W) \leq_e M$.

Since $K \ll_e M$, we get $U \oplus W = M$. Now, assume $x \in N \leq M$, so that $x = u_1 + w_1$ for some $u_1 \in U$, $w_1 \in W$. It follows that $x - u_1 = w_1 \in (N \cap W) = (0)$, hence $x = u_1 \in U$. Thus $N = U$ and $K \ll_e N$.

Recall that a submodule N of an R -module M is called coclosed whenever $K \leq N$, $\frac{N}{K} \ll \frac{M}{K}$ implies $N = K$ [5], [6].

Hasan in [7], gave the following definition:

Definition (3.3):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M . N is called **e-coclosed** if whenever $K \leq N$, $\frac{N}{K} \ll_e \frac{M}{K}$, then $N = K$.

Remarks (3.4):

(1) It is known that every direct summand is coclosed. However a direct summand may not be e-coclosed for example:

Let M be the Z -module Z_6 , let $N = \langle \bar{2} \rangle \leq \oplus M$. $\frac{N}{\langle \bar{0} \rangle} \ll_e \frac{M}{\langle \bar{0} \rangle}$, but $N \neq \langle \bar{0} \rangle$.

(2) It is clear that every e-coclosed submodule is coclosed, but the converse is true by the same example in (1), N is coclosed and it is not e-coclosed.

Proposition (3.5): [7, Lemma 4.2.8]

Let A be a submodule of an R -module M . If A is e-coclosed, then for each $X \leq A$, $X \ll_e M$ implies $X \ll_e A$.

Proof:

To prove $X \ll_e A$. Assume $A = X + Y$ for some $Y \leq A$. We claim that $\frac{A}{Y} \ll_e \frac{M}{Y}$. To see this, let $\frac{M}{Y} = \frac{A}{Y} + \frac{C}{Y}$ for some $\frac{C}{Y} \leq \frac{M}{Y}$. Then $M = A + C$, so $M = X + Y + C$ implies $M = X + C$. Since $\frac{C}{Y} \leq \frac{M}{Y}$, we have $C \leq M$. Hence $C = M$ since $X \ll_e M$. This implies $\frac{M}{Y} = \frac{C}{Y}$ and $\frac{A}{Y} \ll_e \frac{M}{Y}$. But A is e-coclosed in M , so that $Y = A$. Thus $X \ll_e A$.

Proposition (3.6):

Let M be a non singular R -module. A proper submodule N of M is e-small if and only if it is δ -small.

Proof:

(\Leftarrow) it is clear by Remark (2.2).

(\Rightarrow) Let $N < M$. Assume $N + K = M$ with $\frac{M}{K}$ is singular. Since M is nonsingular, then by [8, Proposition 1.21, p.32], $K \leq_e M$. But $N \ll_e M$, so $K = M$. Thus $N \ll_\delta M$.

Proposition (3.7):

Let M be an indecomposable R -module. A proper submodule N of M is small if and only if it is e-small.

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) It is clear by Remark (2.2).

(\Leftrightarrow) Let $N < M$. Assume $N + K = M$ with $K \leq M$. Since $N \ll_e M$, then by Proposition (2.3), $K \leq \oplus M$ and $\frac{M}{X}$ is semisimple. But M is indecomposable and $K \neq (0)$, so $K = M$. Thus $N \ll_e M$.

Now we get the following corollaries.

Corollary (3.8):

Let M be an indecomposable R -module and let $N < M$. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) $N \ll_e M$.
- (2) $N \ll_\delta M$.
- (3) $N \ll_e M$.

Since every uniform module is indecomposable we have the following result which follows directly by Corollary (3.8).

Corollary (3.9):

Let M be uniform R -module and let $N < M$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) $N \ll_e M$.
- (2) $N \ll_\delta M$.
- (3) $N \ll_e M$.

Recall that for an R -module M , if M has maximal submodule. Then $\text{Rad}_e M = \bigcap \{N < M \mid N \text{ is maximal in } M\}$, and if M has no maximal submodule, $\text{Rad}_e M = M$, [4].

The following is a characterization of $\text{Rad}_e M$.

Theorem (3.10): [4, Theorem 2.10]

Let M be an R -module. Then $\text{Rad}_e(M) = \sum \{N \leq M \mid N \ll_e M\}$.

Corollary (3.11): [4, Corollary 2.11]

Let M and N be R -modules.

- (1) If $f: M \longrightarrow N$ is an R -homeomorphism, then $f(\text{Rad}_e(M)) \subseteq \text{Rad}_e(N)$.
- (2) If every proper essential submodule of M is contained in a maximal submodule of M , then $\text{Rad}_e(M)$ is the largest e -small submodule of M .

Recall that an R -module M is called multiplication if for each $N \leq M$, there exists an ideal I of R such that $N = IM$. Equivalently M is multiplication if for each $N \leq M$, $N = (N : M)M$, where $(N : M) = \{r \in R : rM \subseteq N\}$, [9].

Corollary (3.12):

Let M be a finitely generated or multiplication R -module. Then $\text{Rad}_e(M)$ is the largest e -small submodule of M .

Proof:

Since M is finitely generated or multiplication, then every proper submodule is contained in maximal submodule. Hence the result is followed by Corollary (3.11).

Proposition (3.13):

Let M be an module, let $m \in M$ then $Rm \ll_e M$ if and only if $m \in \text{Rad}_e(M)$.

Proof:

Suppose $Rm \ll_e M$, then $Rm \leq \text{Rad}_e M$, hence $m \in \text{Rad}_e(M)$. Conversely, let $m \in \text{Rad}_e(M)$. Assume $\text{Rad}_e(M) \neq M$. Suppose $Rm \not\ll_e M$, then by Proposition(3.1), there exists an essential maximal submodule N in M and $m \notin N$. Hence $m \notin \text{Rad}_e(M)$ which is a contradiction. Thus $Rm \ll_e M$.

If $\text{Rad}_e(M) = M$, then M has no essential maximal submodule. Hence for each $m \in M$, $Rm \ll_e M$ (by Proposition (3.1)).

Proposition (3.14):

An arbitrary sum of e -small submodules of a module M is an e -small submodule of M if and only if $\text{Rad}_e(M) \ll_e M$.

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) Since $\text{Rad}_e(M) =$ the sum of all e -small submodules (by Theorem (3.10)), $\text{Rad}_e(M) \ll_e M$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $\text{Rad}_e(M) \ll_e M$. Let $\{K_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be a family of e -small submodules of M .

$\sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha \leq \text{Rad}_e(M) \ll_e M$. Therefore $\sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda} K_\alpha \ll_e M$ by Proposition (2.5 (a)).

Proposition (3.15):

Let M be an R -module. Then $\text{Rad}_e(M) = M$ if and only if all finitely generated submodules are e -small submodules of M .

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) Suppose $\text{Rad}_e(M) = M$ and Let N be a finitely generated submodule of M . Hence

$N = Rx_1 + \dots + Rx_n$ where $x_1, \dots, x_n \in M = \text{Rad}_e(M)$, then by Proposition (3.13), $Rx_i \ll_e M$

and by Proposition (2.5(1.b)) $N \ll_e M$.

(\Leftarrow) Let $m \in M$. Then $\langle m \rangle = Rm$ is finitely generated, so by hypothesis, $Rm \ll_e M$ and hence $\langle m \rangle \subseteq_e \text{Rad}(M)$. Thus $m \in \text{Rad}(M)$.

Next (3.16):

It is known that for a module M , if $\text{Rad}(M) \ll_e M$ then $M/\text{Rad} M$ has no nonzero small submodule. However this statement can not be generalized for $\text{Rad}(M)$, as the following example shows.

Example (3.17):

Consider the Z -module Z_{24} $\text{Rad}(Z_{24}) = \langle \bar{2} \rangle \ll_e Z_{24}$. But $\frac{Z_{24}}{\langle \bar{2} \rangle} \cong Z_2$ and $Z_2 \ll_e Z_2$.

Proposition (3.18):

Let M be a faithful finitely generated multiplication R -module, let $N < M$. Then the following statements are equivalent $N \ll_e M$ if and only if $(N:M) \ll_e R$.

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) Assume $(N:M) + K = R$ with $K \leq_e R$. Then $(N:M)M + KM = M$, thus $N + KM = M$. But $K \leq_e R$, so by [9, theorem 2.13], $KM \leq_e M$ and since $N \ll_e M$, we get $KM = M$. Therefore $K = R$ by [9, theorem 3.1].

(\Leftarrow) Assume $N + K = M$ with $K \leq_e M$. Since M is multiplication $N = (N:M)M$, $K = (K:M)M$, and $(K:M) \leq_e R$ by [1, theorem 2.13]. Thus $(N:M)M + (K:M)M = M$ and since M is a finitely generated faithful multiplication R -module, then $(N:M) + (K:M) = R$. As $(N:M) \ll_e R$ and $(K:M) \leq_e R$, we have $(K:M) = R$. It follows that $K = M$, and $N \ll_e M$.

Corollary (3.19):

Let M be a faithful finitely generated multiplication R -module, let $N < M$. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) $N \ll_e M$.
- (2) $(N:M) \ll_e R$.
- (3) $N = IM$ for some $I \ll_e R$.

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الخلاصة

ليكن M مقاساً على R ، إذ R حلقة ابدالية ذات محايد. المقاس N في M يسمى مقاساً جزئياً من النمط - e (يرمز له بالرمز $M \ll N$) إذا كان $N + K = M$ ، إذ $K \leq M$ تؤدي الى $K = M$. اعطينا العديد من الخواص المتعلقة لهذا النمط من المقاسات الجزئية.

الكلمات المفتاحية: مقاس جزئي صغير، مقاس جزئي صغير من النمط - δ ، مقاس جزئي صغير من النمط - e ، و مقاس جزئي ضد مغلق من النمط - e .