

## ON $\pi$ -V-RINGS AND INTERMEDIATE NORMALIZING EXTENSIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper we study a ring over which every left module of finite length has an injective hull of finite length. We consider a ring that is a finite intermediate normalizing extension ring of such a ring. We also consider the subrings of such a ring.

Throughout this paper, all rings have identity and all modules are unital. Let  $R$  be a ring. For a left or right  $R$ -module,  $E(M)$  denote the injective hull of  $M$ . For an  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $Le_R(M)$  denote the length of  $M[1]$ . Recall that a ring  $R$  is a left V-ring if every simple left  $R$ -module is injective[4]. A left and right V-ring is called a V-ring. Rosenberg and Zelinsley[5] considered the rings over which every left module of finite length has an injective hull of finite length. Left V-rings form a special class in such rings. We will study such rings.

A ring  $R$  is called a left(right)  $\pi$ -V-ring if for every simple left(right)  $R$ -module  $M$ , the injective hull  $E(M)$  is of finite length. Let  $n$  be a positive integer. A ring  $R$  is called a left(right)  $n$ -V-ring if, for every simple left(right)  $R$ -module  $M$ , the length of  $E(M)$  is less than or equal to  $n$ . Michler and Villamayor[4] proved that  $R$  is a left V-ring if and only if every left  $R$ -module has the property that zero is an intersection of maximal submodules. We give a similar characterization for a left  $\pi$ -V-ring.

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THEOREM 1. [3] The following conditions are equivalent for a ring  $R$ :

- (1)  $R$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring.
- (2) Every left  $R$ -module  $M$  of finite length has an injective hull of finite length.
- (3) For every left  $R$ -module  $M$ , the intersection of all submodules  $N$  with  $Le_R(M/N) < \infty$  is zero.

PROOF. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Assume that  $R$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring. Let  $M$  be a left  $R$ -module of finite length. Then  $M$  is Artinian and Noetherian.  $U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus U_k \leq_e M$  where  $U_i$  is uniform. It suffices  $E(U_i)$  is finite length. Let  $A$  be a simple submodule of  $U_i$ . Then  $E(A) = E(U_i)$  is of finite length.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $M$  be a simple module. Then  $E(M)$  is of finite length.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $\Omega$  denote an irredundant set of representatives of the simple left  $R$ -modules.  $C = \bigoplus_{T \in \Omega} E(T)$  is a cogenerator. Let  $M$  be a nonzero left  $R$ -module. Then there exists an embedding  $f : M \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in A} C_\alpha$  for some index set  $A$  where  $C_\alpha = C$ . For  $T \in \Omega$ , let  $P_{\alpha, T}$  be the projection from  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} C_\alpha$  to the summand  $E(T)$  of  $C_\alpha$ . Since  $E(T)$  is of finite length by hypothesis,  $M/\text{Ker}(P_{\alpha, T}f)$  is of finite length. Since  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A, T \in \Omega} \text{Ker}(P_{\alpha, T}f) = \text{Ker}(f) = 0$ , condition (3) is satisfied.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $T$  be a simple left  $R$ -module. By hypothesis, the intersection of submodules  $N$  of the module  $E(T)$  with  $Le_R(E(T)/N) < \infty$  is zero. Hence there exists a submodule  $U$  of  $E(T)$  such that  $E(T)/N$  is of finite length and  $T \cap U = 0$ . Since  $E(T)$  is an essential extension of  $T$ , this implies  $U = 0$ . Hence  $E(T)$  is of finite length.

□

A ring  $S$  is called a finite normalizing extension of a ring  $R$  if  $R$  is a subring of  $S$  and  $S = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i R$  with  $a_i R = R a_i$  for each  $i$ . A ring  $S$  is called an excellent extension of  $R$  if  $S$  is a free normalizing extension of  $R$  with a basis that includes 1 and  $S$  is  $R$ -projective; that is, if  $N$  is an  $S$ -submodule of  $M_S$ , the condition that  $N_R$  is a direct summand of  $M_R$  implies that  $N_S$  is a direct summand of  $M_S$ .

Let  $S$  be a finite normalizing extension of  $R$ . If  $T$  is a subring of  $S$  such that  $R \subset T \subset S$ , then  $T$  is called an intermediate normalizing extension of  $R$ .

A short exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\varphi} B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  in the category of right  $R$ -modules is said to be pure(exact) if  $0 \rightarrow A \otimes_R M \rightarrow B \otimes_R M \rightarrow C \otimes_R M \rightarrow 0$  is an exact sequence (of abelian groups) for any left  $R$ -module  $M$ . If this is the case, we say that  $\varphi(A)$  is a pure submodule of  $B$  (or that  $B$  is a pure extension of  $\varphi(A)$ ).

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $S$  be a finite normalizing extension of  $R$  and  $T$  be an intermediate normalizing extension of  $R$  such that  $T_T$  is a pure submodule of  $S_T$ . If  $R$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring, then  $T$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring.

**PROOF.** By hypothesis, there is a finite set  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$  of elements of  $S$  such that  $S = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i R$  and  $a_i R = R a_i$  for each  $i$ . It is sufficient to show that for every left  $T$ -module  $M$ , the intersection of all  $T$ -submodules  $N$  with  $Le_R(M/N) < \infty$  is zero. Let  $M$  be a nonzero left  $T$ -module and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $S \otimes_T M$  with  $Le_R(S \otimes_T M)/N = m < \infty$  and  $Le_R(S \otimes_T M/a_i^{-1}N) < \infty$  where  $a_i^{-1}N = \{m \in S \otimes_T M \mid a_i m \in N\}$ . Let  $b(N) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n a_i^{-1}N$ .  $Le_R(S \otimes_T M/b(N)) < \infty$  [3].  $b(N)$  is an  $S$ -submodule of  $S \otimes_T M$  contained in  $N$ .  $b(N)$  is a  $T$ -submodule of  $M$  [3].  $Le_R(M/b(N)) < \infty$ . Since  $R$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring, the intersection of  $R$ -submodules  $N$  of  $M$  with  $Le_R(M/N) < \infty$  is zero. Therefore the intersection of  $T$ -

submodule  $N'$  of  $M$  with  $Le_R(M/N') < \infty$  is zero.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $S$  be a finite normalizing extension of a ring  $R$  and  $R \subset T \subset S$  be an intermediate normalizing extension of  $R$  such that  $T_T$  is a pure submodule of  $S_T$ . If  $S$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring, then  $T$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring.

**PROOF.** By theorem 1.1, it suffices to prove that for any left  $T$ -module  $M$ , the intersection of all  $T$ -submodule  $N$  with  $Le_T(M/N) < \infty$  is zero. Let  $M$  be a nonzero  $T$ -module. By hypothesis,  $M$  can be viewed as an  $T$ -submodule of  $S \otimes_T M$ . Let  $L$  be an  $S$ -submodule of  $S \otimes_T M$  with  $Le_S(S \otimes_T M/L) < \infty$ . By [2],  $Le_T(S \otimes_T M/L) < \infty$ . Hence  $Le_T(M/M \cap L) < \infty$ .

Since  $S$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring, the intersection of  $S$ -submodules  $L$  of  $S \otimes_T M$  with  $Le_T(S \otimes_T M/L) < \infty$  is zero. Therefore the intersection of  $T$ -submodules  $N$  of  $M$  with  $Le_T(M/N) < \infty$  is zero.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 4.** Let  $S$  be a finite normalizing extension of a ring  $R$  such that  $R_R$  is a pure submodule of  $S_R$ . If  $S$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring, then  $R$  is a left  $\pi$ -V-ring.

A ring  $S$  is a free normalizing extension of  $R$  with a basis that includes 1; that is, there is a finite set  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq S$  such that  $a_1 = 1, S = Ra_1 + \dots + Ra_n, a_i R = Ra_i$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $S$  is free with basis  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  as both a right and left  $R$ -module.

**COROLLARY 5.** If  $S$  is a free normalizing extension of  $R$ , then  $S$  is  $\pi$ -V-ring if and only if  $R$  is a  $\pi$ -V-ring.

**PROOF.** Since  $S$  is a free normalizing extension of  $R$ ,  $R_R$  is pure in  $S_R$  and  ${}_R R$  is pure in  ${}_R S$ . By corollary 4,  $R$  is a left and right  $\pi$ -V-ring.

The converse follows from theorem 2.  $\square$

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