

Dominant Modules

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At the spring meeting of the Mathematical Society of Japan, in 1968, professors K. Morita and H. Tachikawa gave a lecture entitled "On semi-primary QF -3 rings," in which they have given a new equivalence between module categories (see Kato [3], Theorem 2). Successively, Tachikawa [12] has generalized and refined this type of equivalences and has communicated orally to the author an outline of his results [12], such that, the above equivalences are free from the " QF -3"-ness of rings and the self-injective dimension [$E(R_R)$ -dominant dimension in our terms] of rings plays a vital role in the double centralizer property not only for faithful injective modules but also for faithful projective modules. These results are the origin of the present work.

Let R be a ring, ${}_R P$ a faithful, finitely generated projective left R module, $Q = \text{End}({}_R P)$ the endomorphism ring of ${}_R P$. In case P_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module, ${}_R P$ is called a dominant module. Denote by \mathcal{M}_Q {respectively, $\mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$ } the category of right Q modules (respectively, of right R modules having $E(R_R)$ -dominant dimension ≥ 2 , where $E(R_R)$ is the injective hull of R_R), and let $H = \text{Hom}(P_Q, \)_R$ be a functor $\mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_R$. Then our main Theorem 1 states that ${}_R P$ is a dominant module if, and only if, H is an equivalence $\mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$. As an interesting byproduct of Proof of Theorem 1, we have the following: if $E(R_R)/R \subset \prod E(R_R)$, then every faithful, finitely generated projective left R module has the double centralizer property. Moreover, in case R has a left dominant module, the converse holds. Section 3 is devoted to examples of dominant modules. We show in Example 3 that, R has a left dominant module and $\text{domi. dim } R_R \geq 2$ if, and only if, R is the endomorphism ring of a generator-cogenerator in the category of right modules. The final Example 4 states that each semiperfect ring R , for which every nonzero right ideal has a nonzero socle, always has a left dominant module of the form Re , $e = e^2 \in R$.

Throughout this paper, rings will have a unit element and modules will be unital. We adopt the notational device of writing homomorphisms of modules on the side opposite the scalars.

1. PRELIMINARIES

Let R be a ring, and \mathcal{M}_R the category of right R modules. A_R (or $A_R \in \mathcal{M}_R$) will denote the fact that A is a right R module. Now let X_R and U_R be modules. In case $X_R \subset \coprod U_R$, where $\coprod U_R$ is a direct product of copies of U_R , X_R is called U torsionless. If A_R has an injective resolution

$$0 \rightarrow A_R \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow X_n$$

with the X_i all U torsionless, then we shall say that A_R has U -dominant dimension $\geq n$ (denoted by $U\text{-domi. dim } A_R \geq n$). In case $U_R = R_R$, " U -torsionless" is "torsionless", and $U\text{-domi. dim } A_R = \text{domi. dim } A_R$. We shall denote by $\mathcal{L}(U_R)$ the category of right R modules having U dominant dimension ≥ 2 .

Let ${}_R P$ be faithful and finitely generated projective, and $Q = \text{End}({}_R P)$ the endomorphism ring of ${}_R P$. Suppose that P_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module. Let us call such a faithful, finitely generated projective left R module ${}_R P$ a dominant module. It is obvious that each left S ring (for definition, see Kato [2], p. 236, or Onodera [9], p. 404) has a left dominant module. On the other hand, a commutative ring R has a dominant module if, and only if, R is an S ring (see Morita [6]).

Let $B_R \subset A_R$ be modules. We denote by $A_R \supset B_R$ the fact that A_R is an essential extension of B_R and by $E(B_R)$ the injective hull of B_R . $A_R = E(B_R)$ means that A_R is injective and $A_R \supset B_R$. We must distinguish $A_R = E(B_R)$ from $A_R \approx E(B_R)$ ($A_R \approx E(B_R)$ does not necessarily imply $A_R \supset B_R$). We shall have need of the following criterion for essential extensions.

LEMMA 1. *Let $B_R \subset A_R$ be modules. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) $A_R \supset B_R$.
- (2) *If $B_R \rightarrow A_R \rightarrow X_R$ is a monomorphism, then $A_R \rightarrow X_R$ is a monomorphism, where $B_R \rightarrow A_R$ is the inclusion map and $A_R \rightarrow X_R$ is arbitrary.*

2. DOMINANT MODULES

Throughout this section, let R be a ring, ${}_R P$ a faithful, finitely generated projective left R module, $Q = \text{End}({}_R P)$ the endomorphism ring of ${}_R P$, and $R' = \text{End}(P_Q)$ the double centralizer of ${}_R P$. We shall regard R as a subring of R' by virtue of the faithfulness of ${}_R P$. We now define two covariant morphism functors H and H^* which play an important role in this work.

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(B_Q) &= \text{Hom}(P_Q, B_Q)_R \quad \text{for } B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q, \\
 H^*(A_R) &= \text{Hom}[({}_R P)^*_R, A_R]_Q \quad \text{for } A_R \in \mathcal{M}_R,
 \end{aligned}$$

where $({}_R P)^* = {}_Q \text{Hom}({}_R P, {}_R R)_R$. It is worth noting that $H(B_Q)$ also acquires the structure of a right R' module by virtue of the bimodule structure of ${}_R P_Q$. Motivated mainly by the new equivalence introduced by Morita and Tachikawa, we are now in a position to establish the following theorem.

THEOREM 1. *Let $R, {}_R P, Q, R'$, and H, H^* be as above. Then we have*

- (1) H^*H is natural equivalent to the identity functor on \mathcal{M}_Q .
- (2) $H[E(B_Q)]_R = E[H(B_Q)_R]$ for each $B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q$.
- (3) R'_R is an essential extension of R_R , consequently, $E(R'_R) = E(R_R)$ and $E(R'_R)_{R'} = E(R'_R)$.
- (4) $HH^*(A_R) \approx A_R$ for each $A_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$.
- (5) $H^*[E(A_R)] = E[H^*(A_R)]$ for each $E(R_R)$ -torsionless $A_R \in \mathcal{M}_R$.
- (6) If $R_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$, then $R' = R$.
- (7) H is an equivalence $\mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)] \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$.
- (8) ${}_R P$ is a dominant module if, and only if, H is an equivalence $\mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$. If such is the case, then $R'_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R'_R)]$.

Remark. Since P_Q is a generator in \mathcal{M}_Q , by C. L. Walker and E. A. Walker ([13], Corollary 3.3), we have

(2') $H[E(B_Q)]_{R'} = E[H(B_Q)_{R'}]$ for each $B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q$, which is an immediate consequence of (2) above.

Proof. First of all, we introduce a natural transformation η_A for each $A_R \in \mathcal{M}_R$,

$$\eta_A : A_R \rightarrow HH^*(A_R) = \text{Hom}\{P_Q, \text{Hom}[({}_R P)^*_R, A_R]_Q\}_R$$

by $[\eta_A(a)p]f = a(pf)$ for $a \in A_R, p \in {}_R P_Q$, and $f \in {}_Q({}_R P)^*_R$.

(1) For each $B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q$ we have isomorphisms $H^*H(B_Q) = \text{Hom}[({}_R P)^*_R, \text{Hom}(P_Q, B_Q)_R]_Q \approx \text{Hom}[({}_R P)^* \otimes_R P_Q, B_Q]_Q \approx \text{Hom}[\text{Hom}({}_R P, {}_R P)_Q, B_Q]_Q$ (since ${}_R P$ is finitely generated projective) $\approx \text{Hom}(Q_Q, B_Q)_Q \approx B_Q$. A routine verification shows that each of the above isomorphisms is natural.

(2) Since ${}_R P$ is projective, $H[E(B_Q)]_R$ is injective for $B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q$ (see Cartan and Eilenberg [1], Proposition 1.4, p. 107). Moreover, $H[E(B_Q)]_R \supset H(B_Q)_R$. To see this, let $H(B_Q)_R \rightarrow H[E(B_Q)]_R \rightarrow X_R$ be a monomorphism. Then $H^*H(B_Q) \rightarrow H^*H[E(B_Q)] \rightarrow H^*(X_R)$ is also a monomorphism. But the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^*H(B_Q) & \longrightarrow & H^*H[E(B_Q)] \\ \cong & & \cong \\ B_Q & \longrightarrow & E(B_Q) \end{array}$$

implies $H^*H[E(B_Q)] \supset H^*H(B_Q)$. Consequently, the above map

$$H^*H[E(B_Q)] \rightarrow H^*(X_R)$$

must be a monomorphism by Lemma 1 and it leads to a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} HH^*H[E(B_Q)] \subset & \hookrightarrow & HH^*(X_R) \\ \cong & & \uparrow \eta_X \\ H[E(B_Q)] & \longrightarrow & X_R, \end{array}$$

concluding that $H[E(B_Q)] \rightarrow X_R$ is a monomorphism. Thus in view of Lemma 1, we have $H[E(B_Q)]_R \supset H(B_Q)_R$. Therefore,

$$H[E(B_Q)]_R = E[H(B_Q)_R].$$

(3) Note that, for $A_R \in \mathcal{M}_R$ $A_R \approx H(B_Q)$ for some $B_Q \in \mathcal{M}_Q$ if, and only if, η_A is an isomorphism. This is verified making use of the natural equivalence $B_Q \approx H^*H(B_Q)$ given in (1). Therefore, since $R'_R = H(P_Q)$, $\eta_{R'} : R'_R \rightarrow HH^*(R'_R)$ is an isomorphism. Now the inclusion map $R_R \rightarrow R'_R$ induces an isomorphism $H^*(R_R) \rightarrow H^*(R'_R)$, for the composition map

$$P_Q \approx H^*(R_R) \rightarrow H^*(R'_R) = H^*H(P_Q) \approx P_Q$$

is identical. We are now ready to prove $R'_R \supset R_R$. Keeping Lemma 1 in mind, if $R_R \rightarrow R'_R \rightarrow X_R$ is a monomorphism, so is $H^*(R_R) \approx H^*(R'_R) \rightarrow H^*(X_R)$. We have thus a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} HH^*(R'_R) & \longrightarrow & HH^*(X_R) \\ \cong & & \uparrow \eta_X \\ R'_R & \longrightarrow & X_R \end{array}$$

with the upper horizontal map a monomorphism. It follows that $R'_R \rightarrow X_R$ is a monomorphism. It is now clear that $E(R'_R) = E(R_R)$ since $E(R'_R) \supset R'_R \supset R_R$. It remains to show that $E(R'_R)_{R'} = E(R'_R)$. In fact $E(R'_R) \approx E[HH^*(R'_R)] = H\{E[H^*(R'_R)]\}_{R'}$ is R' injective (${}_R P$ is finitely generated projective $\Rightarrow P_Q$ is a generator in $\mathcal{M}_Q \Rightarrow {}_R P$ is finitely generated projective by Morita [5], Lemma 3.3) and $E(R'_R)_{R'} \supset R'_R$ ($E(R'_R) \supset R'_R$). Thus, $E(R'_R)_{R'} = E(R'_R)$.

(4) Since $H[E(P_Q)]_R = E[H(P_Q)_R] = E(R'_R) = E(R_R)$ by (2) and (3), $\eta : E(R_R) \rightarrow HH^*[E(R_R)]$ is an isomorphism, and hence, we have an isomorphism

$$\prod E(R_R) \approx \prod HH^*[E(R_R)] \approx HH^* \left[\prod E(R_R) \right].$$

It should be remarked that this isomorphism is nothing else but the η . In case C_R is $E(R_R)$ torsionless, η_C is a monomorphism by the commutativity of the following diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & C_R & \longrightarrow & \prod E(R_R) \\ & & \eta_C \downarrow & & \cong \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & HH^*(C_R) & \longrightarrow & HH^* \left[\prod E(R_R) \right]. \end{array}$$

In case A_R is injective and $E(R_R)$ torsionless, η_A is an isomorphism, for we have an exact commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A_R & \longrightarrow & \prod E(R_R) & \longrightarrow & C_R & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \eta_A \downarrow & & \cong & & \downarrow \eta_C & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & HH^*(A_R) & \longrightarrow & HH^* \left[\prod E(R_R) \right] & \longrightarrow & HH^*(C_R) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

with η_C a monomorphism. Finally, let $E(R_R)$ -domi. $\dim A_R \geq 2$. Then we have an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A_R \rightarrow E(A_R) \rightarrow C_R \rightarrow 0$ with both $E(A_R)$ and C_R of $E(R_R)$ torsionless. This yields an exact commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A_R & \longrightarrow & E(A_R) & \longrightarrow & C_R \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \eta_A \downarrow & & \cong & & \downarrow \eta_C \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & HH^*(A_R) & \longrightarrow & HH^*[E(A_R)] & \longrightarrow & HH^*(C_R) \end{array}$$

with η_C a monomorphism. Hence, $\eta_A : A_R \approx HH^*(A_R)$ for each $A_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$.

(5) Let A_R be $E(R_R)$ torsionless. Then $A_R \subset \prod E(R_R)$ and hence, $A_R \subset E(A_R) \subset \prod E(R_R)$ by virtue of the injectivity of $\prod E(R_R)$. Thus $\eta : E(A_R) \approx HH^*[E(A_R)]$ by the above (4). Now, $H^*[E(A_R)]$ is injective, for $H\{H^*[E(A_R)]_O\} = E\{HH^*[E(A_R)]_R\} \approx E[E(A_R)] = E(A_R)$ and hence,

$$E\{H^*[E(A_R)]_O\} \approx H^*H\{E\{H^*[E(A_R)]_O\}\} \approx H^*[E(A_R)].$$

To show $H^*[E(A_R)] \supset H^*(A_R)$, let $H^*(A_R) \rightarrow H^*[E(A_R)] \rightarrow X_O$ be a monomorphism. We must show that $H^*[E(A_R)] \rightarrow X_O$ is also a monomorphism. Keeping the results in (4) above in mind, we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} HH^*(A_R) & \longrightarrow & HH^*[E(A_R)] & \longrightarrow & H(X_O) \\ \eta_A \uparrow & & \cong & & \\ A_R & \longrightarrow & E(A_R) & & \end{array}$$

with $HH^*(A_R) \rightarrow HH^*[E(A_R)] \rightarrow H(X_Q)$ a monomorphism. But, since $E(A_R) \supset A_R$, we conclude that $HH^*[E(A_R)] \rightarrow H(X_Q)$ is a monomorphism. Thus we have an exact commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & H^*HH^*[E(A_R)] \longrightarrow H^*H(X_Q) \\ & & \cong \qquad \qquad \qquad \cong \\ & & H^*[E(A_R)] \longrightarrow X_Q, \end{array}$$

which shows that $H^*[E(A_R)] \rightarrow X_Q$ is a monomorphism. In view of Lemma 1, we have thus proved $H^*[E(A_R)] = E[H^*(A_R)]$.

(6) Suppose $E(R_R)$ -domi. $\dim R_R \geq 2$. Then $\eta_R : R_R \rightarrow HH^*(R_R)$ is an isomorphism by (4). Consequently we have an isomorphism

$$R_R \overset{\cong}{\approx} HH^*(R_R) \approx H(P_Q) = R'_R$$

which is the inclusion map $R_R \subset R'_R$. Hence, $R' = R$.

(7) Since we have proved (1) and (4), it suffices to show that

$$H(B_Q) \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$$

for each $B_Q \in \mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)]$ and $H^*(A_R) \in \mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)]$ for each $A_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$. In case X_R is $E(R_R)$ torsionless, $H^*(X_R)$ is $E(P_Q)$ torsionless. In fact, since $X_R \subset \prod E(R_R)$, we have $H^*(X_R) \subset H^*[\prod E(R_R)] \approx \prod H^*[E(R_R)] = \prod H^*[E(R'_R)] = \prod E[H^*(R'_R)] = \prod E[H^*H(P_Q)] \approx \prod E(P_Q)$ by (1), (3) and (5). Now let $A_R \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$ and let $0 \rightarrow A_R \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ be an exact sequence with X_i injective and $E(R_R)$ torsionless. This yields an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^*(A_R) \rightarrow H^*(X_1) \rightarrow H^*(X_2),$$

where $H^*(X_i)$ is injective by (5) and $E(P_Q)$ torsionless by the above. Thus, $H^*(A_R) \in \mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)]$. In a similar manner, we have $H(B_Q) \in \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$ for $B_Q \in \mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)]$, noting that $H[E(P_Q)] = E[H(P_Q)] = E(R'_R) = E(R_R)$ by (2) and (3).

(8) Suppose that ${}_R P$ is a dominant module. Then P_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module and hence, $E(P_Q)$ is a cogenerator in \mathcal{M}_Q (see Osofsky [10], Lemma 1). Therefore, $\mathcal{L}[E(P_Q)] = \mathcal{M}_Q$ and H is an equivalence $\mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$ by (7). Conversely, assume that H gives an equivalence $\mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$. Then, since $E(R_R)$ is a cogenerator in $\mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$, $E(P_Q)$ is a cogenerator in \mathcal{M}_Q , or equivalently, P_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module. Thus, ${}_R P$ is a dominant module. Finally, let $0 \rightarrow P_Q \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2$

be an injective resolution of P_Q with the X_i all $E(P_Q)$ torsionless. This leads to an injective resolution of $H(P_Q)_{R'} = R'_{R'}$,

$$0 \rightarrow R'_{R'} \rightarrow H(X_1)_{R'} \rightarrow H(X_2)_{R'} ,$$

where the $H(X_i)_{R'}$ is $E(R'_{R'})$ torsionless. Thus we have shown

$$R'_{R'} \in \mathcal{L}[E(R'_{R'})].$$

Remark. In view of Tachikawa [12], it is just the core of Theorem 1 that $H[E(P_Q)] = E(R_R)$.

COROLLARY. *If $E(R_R)/R \hookrightarrow \prod E(R_R)$, then every faithful, finitely generated projective left R module has the double centralizer property. In case R has a left dominant module, the converse holds good.*

It may be interesting to compare the above corollary with a result in Kato ([4], Corollary to Theorem 2) which states that each finitely-faithful, injective right R module has the double centralizer property if, and only if, $E(R_R)/R \hookrightarrow \prod E(R_R)$.

3. EXAMPLES

We are now ready to consider examples of dominant modules.

EXAMPLE 1 (Wedderburn). Let R be a simple Artinian ring, ${}_R P$ a minimal left ideal of R . Then ${}_R P$ is a dominant module, $Q = \text{End}({}_R P)$ is a division ring, and $R' = \text{End}(P_Q) = R$. In this case the functor $H : \mathcal{M}_Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)] = \mathcal{M}_R$ is the Morita equivalence.

EXAMPLE 2. Let R be a commutative ring. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) R has a dominant module.
- (2) R is an S ring.

The following is closely related to Kato ([3], Theorem 2) and Mueller ([7], Lemma 9) and ([8], Theorem 2).

EXAMPLE 3. The following conditions on a ring R are equivalent:

- (1) R has a left dominant module and $\text{domi. dim } R_R \geq 2$.
- (2) R is the endomorphism ring of a generator-cogenerator in the category of right modules.

Proof. (1) implies (2). Let ${}_R P$ be a dominant module, and $\text{domi. dim } R_R \geq 2$. Let $Q = \text{End}({}_R P)$, $R' = \text{End}(P_Q)$. Then P_Q is a generator in \mathcal{M}_Q , $R' = R$ by Theorem 1, (6). Since $E(R_R) \subset \prod R_R$, Theorem 1, (5) yields

$$E(P_Q) \approx E[H^*(R_R)] = H^*[E(R_R)] \subset H^*\left(\prod R_R\right) \approx \prod H^*(R_R) \approx \prod P_Q.$$

This shows that P_Q is a cogenerator in \mathcal{M}_Q since P_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module (see Sugano [11], Lemma 1). Thus $R = R' = \text{End}(P_Q)$ for a generator-cogenerator P_Q in \mathcal{M}_Q .

(2) implies (1). Assume $R = \text{End}(U_Q)$ for a generator-cogenerator U_Q in \mathcal{M}_Q . Then $\text{domi. dim } R_R \geq 2$ by Kato ([3], Theorem 2). Next, since U_Q is a generator in \mathcal{M}_Q , ${}_R U$ is faithful, finitely generated projective and $\text{End}({}_R U) = Q$ by the Morita Theorem. Thus, ${}_R U$ is a dominant module, since U_Q is a cogenerator in \mathcal{M}_Q .

The final example tells us that each left perfect ring has a left dominant module.

EXAMPLE 4. Let R be a semiperfect ring for which each nonzero right ideal has nonzero socle. Pick out orthogonal idempotents e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n in R such that $e_1 R / e_1 J, e_2 R / e_2 J, \dots, e_n R / e_n J$ is one of each isomorphism type of simple right ideals of R , where J is the Jacobson radical of R . Let $e = e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n$, then Re is a dominant module and the equivalence H is $\mathcal{M}_{eRe} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}[E(R_R)]$.

Proof. We first show that ${}_R Re$ is faithful. To see this, let $0 \neq a \in R$. Since aR contains a simple right ideal isomorphic to $e_i R / e_i J$ for some i , $aRe_i \neq 0$. Therefore, $aRe \neq 0$, and thus ${}_R Re$ is faithful. Next we show that Re_Q contains a copy of each simple right Q module, where $Q = \text{End}({}_R Re) = eRe$. Note that $e_i Re / e_i J e$ is a typical simple right Q module and that $l(J)e_i \neq 0$ since $l(J)e_i \approx \text{Hom}(e_i R / e_i J, R_R) \neq 0$, where $l(\)$ is the left annihilator in R . Thus,

$$\text{Hom}[(e_i Re / e_i J)_Q, Re_Q] \neq 0 \quad \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

It follows that Re is a dominant module.

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