



Weakly G-Supplemented modules

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Abstract. In this work, we define weakly g-supplemented modules and cofinitely weak g-supplemented modules. We investigate some properties of these modules. We show that the finite sum of weakly g-supplemented modules is weakly g-supplemented, an arbitrary sum of cofinitely weak g-supplemented modules is cofinitely weak g-supplemented. We also define g-semilocal modules and give some equivalencies for weakly g-supplemented, cofinitely weak g-supplemented and g-semilocal modules.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper all rings have an identity and all modules are unital left modules.

Let R be a ring and M be an R -module. We denote a submodule N of M by $N \leq M$. If M/N is finitely generated for $N \leq M$, then N is called a cofinite submodule of M . Let M be an R -module and $T \leq M$. If $K = 0$ for every $K \leq M$ with $T \cap K = 0$, then T is called an essential submodule of M and it is denoted by $T \trianglelefteq M$. K is called a generalized small (briefly, g-small) submodule of M if for every $T \trianglelefteq M$ with $M = K + T$ implies that $T = M$, this is written by $K \ll_g M$ (in [5], it is called an e-small submodule of M and denoted by $K \ll_e M$). If T is both essential and maximal submodule of M , then T is called a generalized maximal submodule of M . The intersection of all generalized maximal submodules of M is called the generalized radical of M and it is denoted by $Rad_g M$ (in [5], it is denoted by $Rad_e M$). If M have no generalized maximal submodules, then the generalized radical of M is defined by $Rad_g M = M$. Let U and V be submodules of M . If $M = U + V$ and V is minimal with respect to this property, or equivalently, $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll V$, then V is called a supplement of U in M . If $M = U + V$ and $M = U + T$ with $T \trianglelefteq V$ implies that $T = V$, or equivalently, $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll_g V$, then V is called a g-supplement of U in M . If every submodule of M has a supplement in

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M , then M is called a supplemented module. M is called a g -supplemented module, if every submodule of M has a g -supplement in M . Let $U, V \leq M$. If $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll M$, then V is called a weak supplement of U in M . If every submodule of M has a weak supplement in M , then M is called a weakly supplemented module. If every cofinite submodule of M has a weak supplement in M , then M is called a cofinitely weak supplemented module.

There are some important properties of g -small submodules in [1, 3, 4] and [5].

Lemma 1 ([4, 5]). *Let M be an R -module and $K, N \leq M$. The following conditions are hold.*

- (i) *If $K \leq N$ and $N \ll_g M$, then $K \ll_g M$.*
- (ii) *If $K \ll_g N$, then K is an g -small submodule in submodules of M which contain N .*
- (iii) *If $f : M \rightarrow N$ is an R -module homomorphism and $K \ll_g M$, then $f(K) \ll_g N$.*
- (iv) *If $K \ll_g L$ and $N \ll_g T$ for $L, T \leq M$, then $K + N \ll_g L + T$.*

Corollary 1. *Let M be an R -module and $K \leq N \leq M$. If $N \ll_g M$, then $N/K \ll_g M/K$.*

Corollary 2. *Let M be an R -module, $K \ll_g M$ and $L \leq M$. Then $(K + L)/L \ll_g M/L$.*

Lemma 2 ([1]). *Let M be an R -module. Then $\text{Rad}_g M = \sum_{L \ll_g M} L$.*

Lemma 3 ([1]). *Let M be an R -module. If M has at least one proper essential submodule and every proper essential submodule of M is contained in a generalized maximal submodule, then $\text{Rad}_g M \ll_g M$.*

Lemma 4 ([1]). *If M is a finitely generated R -module and M has at least one proper essential submodule, then every proper essential submodule of M is contained in a generalized maximal submodule of M .*

2. Weakly G -Supplemented Modules

Definition 1. *Let M be an R -module and $U, V \leq M$. If $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll_g M$, then V is called a weak g -supplement of U in M . If every submodule of M has a weak g -supplement in M , then M is called a weakly g -supplemented module.*

Clearly, we see that g -supplemented modules are weakly g -supplemented. We also see that every weakly supplemented module is weakly g -supplemented.

Lemma 5. *Let M be an R -module, $M_1 \leq M$, $U \leq M$ and M_1 be a weakly g -supplemented module. If $M_1 + U$ has a weak g -supplement in M , then U has also a weak g -supplement in M .*

Proof. Let X be a weak g -supplement of $M_1 + U$ in M . Then $M_1 + U + X = M$ and $(M_1 + U) \cap X \ll_g M$. Since M_1 is weakly g -supplemented, $(U + X) \cap M_1$ has a weak g -supplement Y in M_1 , i.e. $M_1 \cap (U + X) + Y = M_1$ and $M_1 \cap (U + X) \cap Y \ll_g M_1$. Following this, we have $M = M_1 \cap (U + X) + Y + U + X = U + X + Y$ and

$$U \cap (X + Y) \leq X \cap (U + Y) + Y \cap (U + X) \leq X \cap (M_1 + U) + Y \cap M_1 \cap (U + X) \ll_g M.$$

Hence $X + Y$ is a weak g -supplement of U in M . □

Corollary 3. *Let M be an R -module $U \leq M$ and $M_i \leq M$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If $U + M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_n$ has a weak g -supplement in M and M_i is a weakly g -supplemented module for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then U has a weak g -supplement in M .*

Proof. Clear from Lemma 5. □

Lemma 6. *Let $M = M_1 + M_2$. If M_1 and M_2 are weakly g -supplemented modules, then M is a weakly g -supplemented module.*

Proof. Clear from Lemma 5. □

Corollary 4. *A finite sum of weakly g -supplemented modules is weakly g -supplemented.*

Proof. Clear from Lemma 6. □

Lemma 7. *Let M be an R -module, $X \leq U \leq M$ and V be a weak g -supplement of U in M . Then $(V + X)/X$ is a weak g -supplement of U/X in M/X .*

Proof. Since V is a weak g -supplement of U in M , we have $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll_g M$. Thus $(U \cap V + X)/X \ll_g M/X$ by Lemma 1. Since $M = U + V$, it is easy to see that $\frac{M}{X} = \frac{U+V}{X} = \frac{U}{X} + \frac{V+X}{X}$ and $\frac{U}{X} \cap \frac{V+X}{X} = \frac{U \cap V + X}{X} \ll_g \frac{M}{X}$. Therefore $(V + X)/X$ is a weak g -supplement of U/X in M/X . □

Theorem 8. *If M is a weakly g -supplemented module, then every factor module of M is weakly g -supplemented.*

Proof. Clear from Lemma 7. □

Corollary 5. *If M is a weakly g -supplemented module, then the homomorphic image of M is weakly g -supplemented.*

Definition 2. *Let M be an R -module. If $M/\text{Rad}_g M$ is semisimple, then M is called a g -semilocal module.*

Clearly, we see that every semilocal module is g -semilocal.

Lemma 9. *For an R -module M , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (i) M is g -semilocal.
- (ii) For every $U \leq M$ there exists a submodule $V \leq M$ such that $U + V = M$ and $U \cap V \leq \text{Rad}_g M$.
- (iii) There exists a decomposition $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that M_1 is semisimple, $\text{Rad}_g M \leq M_2$ and $M_2/\text{Rad}_g M$ is semisimple.

Proof. Clear from [2, Proposition 2.1]. □

Lemma 10. Any homomorphic image of a g -semilocal module is g -semilocal.

Proof. Let M and N be R -modules, $f : M \rightarrow N$ be an R -module epimorphism and M be g -semilocal. Since M is g -semilocal, $M/\text{Rad}_g M$ is semisimple. Let

$$\varphi : M/\text{Rad}_g M \rightarrow N/\text{Rad}_g N, x + \text{Rad}_g M \rightarrow \varphi(x + \text{Rad}_g M) = f(x) + \text{Rad}_g N$$

be a map. It is easy to check that φ is an R -module epimorphism, since $f(\text{Rad}_g M) \leq \text{Rad}_g N$. Since every homomorphic image of a semisimple module is semisimple, $N/\text{Rad}_g N$ is semisimple. Hence N is g -semilocal. □

Lemma 11. Let $M = M_1 + M_2$. If M_1 and M_2 are g -semilocal, then M is g -semilocal.

Proof. Since M_1 and M_2 are g -semilocal, $M_1/\text{Rad}_g M_1$ and $M_2/\text{Rad}_g M_2$ are semisimple. Then $\frac{M_1}{\text{Rad}_g M_1} \oplus \frac{M_2}{\text{Rad}_g M_2}$ is semisimple. Let

$$f : \frac{M_1}{\text{Rad}_g M_1} \oplus \frac{M_2}{\text{Rad}_g M_2} \rightarrow \frac{M}{\text{Rad}_g M},$$

$$(x_1 + \text{Rad}_g M_1, x_2 + \text{Rad}_g M_2) \rightarrow f(x_1 + \text{Rad}_g M_1, x_2 + \text{Rad}_g M_2) = x_1 + x_2 + \text{Rad}_g M$$

be a map. It is easy to check that f is an R -module epimorphism. Since every homomorphic image of a semisimple module is semisimple, $M/\text{Rad}_g M$ is semisimple. Hence M is g -semilocal. □

Corollary 6. Let $M = M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_n$. If M_i is g -semilocal for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then M is g -semilocal.

Proof. Clear from Lemma 11. □

Lemma 12. If M is a weakly g -supplemented module, then M is g -semilocal.

Proof. Let $U/\text{Rad}_g M$ be any submodule of $M/\text{Rad}_g M$. Since M is weakly g -supplemented, there exists a submodule V of M such that $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V \ll_g M$. Since $U \cap V \ll_g M$, then by Lemma 2, $U \cap V \leq \text{Rad}_g M$. Then by $\frac{M}{\text{Rad}_g M} = \frac{U+V}{\text{Rad}_g M} = \frac{U}{\text{Rad}_g M} + \frac{V+\text{Rad}_g M}{\text{Rad}_g M}$ and

$$\frac{U}{\text{Rad}_g M} \cap \frac{V + \text{Rad}_g M}{\text{Rad}_g M} = \frac{U \cap V + \text{Rad}_g M}{\text{Rad}_g M} = \frac{\text{Rad}_g M}{\text{Rad}_g M} = 0, \frac{M}{\text{Rad}_g M} = \frac{U}{\text{Rad}_g M} \oplus \frac{V + \text{Rad}_g M}{\text{Rad}_g M}.$$

Hence M is g -semilocal. □

Lemma 13. *Assume M be an R -module and $Rad_g M \ll_g M$. If M is g -semilocal, then M is weakly g -supplemented.*

Proof. Let U be any submodule of M . Since M is g -semilocal, $(U + Rad_g M) / Rad_g M$ is a direct summand of $M / Rad_g M$. Then there exists a submodule V of M such that $Rad_g M \leq V$ and $\frac{M}{Rad_g M} = \frac{U + Rad_g M}{Rad_g M} \oplus \frac{V}{Rad_g M}$. By $\frac{M}{Rad_g M} = \frac{U + Rad_g M}{Rad_g M} \oplus \frac{V}{Rad_g M} = \frac{U + V}{Rad_g M}$, $M = U + V$. Since

$$\frac{U \cap V + Rad_g M}{Rad_g M} = \frac{U + Rad_g M}{Rad_g M} \cap \frac{V}{Rad_g M} = 0, U \cap V \leq Rad_g M \ll_g M.$$

Hence V is a weak g -supplement of U in M . □

Corollary 7. *Assume M be an R -module with $Rad_g M \ll_g M$. Then M is weakly g -supplemented if and only if M is g -semilocal.*

Proof. Clear from Lemma 12 and Lemma 13. □

Lemma 14. *Let M be a finitely generated R -module. Then $Rad_g M \ll_g M$.*

Proof. If M has at least one proper essential submodule, since M is finitely generated, by Lemma 4, every proper essential submodule of M is contained in a generalized maximal submodule of M . Then by Lemma 3, $Rad_g M \ll_g M$. If M have no proper essential submodules, then $Rad_g M = M \ll_g M$ also holds. □

Lemma 15. *Let M be a finitely generated R -module. Then M is weakly g -supplemented if and only if M is g -semilocal.*

Proof. By Lemma 14 and Corollary 7, this is clear. □

Corollary 8. *${}_R R$ is weakly g -supplemented if and only if ${}_R R$ is g -semilocal.*

Proof. By Lemma 15, this is clear. □

Proposition 1. *Let M be a weakly g -supplemented R -module. Then for every $U, V \leq M$ with $M = U + V$, there exists a weak g -supplement K of U in M with $K \leq V$.*

Proof. Assume $U, V \leq M$ with $M = U + V$. Since M is weakly g -supplemented, $U \cap V$ has a weak g -supplement T in M . In this case, $M = U \cap V + T$ and $U \cap V \cap T \ll_g M$. Since $M = U + V = U \cap V + T$, $M = U + V \cap T$. Let $K = V \cap T$. Then $M = U + V \cap T = U + K$ and $U \cap K = U \cap V \cap T \ll_g M$. Hence K is a weak g -supplement of U in M with $K \leq V$. □

Example 1. *Let p and q be prime numbers and consider the ring*

$$R = \mathbb{Z}_{p,q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0, p \nmid b \text{ and } q \nmid b \right\}.$$

By [2, Remark 3.3], ${}_R R$ is weakly supplemented but not supplemented. Since every nonzero submodule of ${}_R R$ is essential in ${}_R R$, ${}_R R$ is weakly g -supplemented but not g -supplemented.

3. Cofinitely Weak G-Supplemented Modules

Definition 3. Let M be an R -module. If every cofinite submodule of M has a weak g -supplement in M , then M is called a cofinitely weak g -supplemented module.

Clearly we see that every weakly g -supplemented module is cofinitely weak g -supplemented.

Lemma 16. Assume M be a finitely generated R -module. If M is cofinitely weak g -supplemented, then M is weakly g -supplemented.

Proof. Clear, since every submodule of M is cofinite. □

Lemma 17. Let M be a cofinitely weak g -supplemented module. Then every factor module of M is cofinitely weak g -supplemented.

Proof. Let M/X be any factor module of M and U/X be a cofinite submodule of M/X . Since $\frac{M}{U} \cong \frac{M/X}{U/X}$, U is a cofinite submodule of M . Since M is cofinitely weak g -supplemented, U has a weak g -supplement V in M . Then by Lemma 7, $(V + X)/X$ is a weak g -supplement of U/X in M/X . Hence M/X is cofinitely weak g -supplemented. □

Corollary 9. Any homomorphic image of a cofinitely weak g -supplemented module is cofinitely weak g -supplemented.

Proof. Clear from Lemma 17. □

Lemma 18. Let M be an R -module, $M_1 \leq M$, U be a cofinite submodule of M and M_1 be a cofinitely weak g -supplemented module. If $M_1 + U$ has a weak g -supplement in M , then so does U .

Proof. Let X be a weak g -supplement of $M_1 + U$ in M . Then $M_1 + U + X = M$ and $(M_1 + U) \cap X \ll_g M$. Since U is a cofinite submodule of M , $U + X$ is also a cofinite submodule of M . Then by $\frac{M_1}{M_1 \cap (U+X)} \cong \frac{M_1+U+X}{U+X} = \frac{M}{U+X}$, $M_1 \cap (U + X)$ is a cofinite submodule of M_1 . Since M_1 is cofinitely weak g -supplemented, $M_1 \cap (U + X)$ has a weak g -supplement Y in M_1 , i.e. $M_1 \cap (U + X) + Y = M_1$ and $M_1 \cap (U + X) \cap Y \ll_g M_1$. Following this, we have $M = M_1 \cap (U + X) + Y + U + X = U + X + Y$ and

$$U \cap (X + Y) \leq X \cap (U + Y) + Y \cap (U + X) \leq X \cap (M_1 + U) + Y \cap M_1 \cap (U + X) \ll_g M.$$

Hence $X + Y$ is a weak g -supplement of U in M . □

Corollary 10. Let M be an R -module, U be a cofinite submodule of M and $M_i \leq M$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If $U + M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_n$ has a weak g -supplement in M and M_i is a cofinitely weak g -supplemented module for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then U has a weak g -supplement in M .

Proof. Clear from Lemma 18. \square

Lemma 19. *Any sum of cofinitely weak g-supplemented modules is cofinitely weak g-supplemented.*

Proof. Let $\{M_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of cofinitely weak g-supplemented submodules of an R -module M and $M = \sum_{i \in I} M_i$. Let U be any cofinite submodule of M . Since U is cofinite submodule of M , there exists a finite subset $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\}$ of I such that $M = U + M_{i_1} + M_{i_2} + \dots + M_{i_n}$. Since $U + M_{i_1} + M_{i_2} + \dots + M_{i_n}$ has a weak g-supplement 0 in M and M_{i_k} is cofinitely weak g-supplemented for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then by Corollary 10, U has a weak g-supplement in M . \square

Proposition 2. *Let R be a ring. The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) ${}_R R$ is g-semilocal.
- (2) ${}_R R$ is weakly g-supplemented.
- (3) Every finitely generated R -module is g-semilocal.
- (4) Every finitely generated R -module is weakly g-supplemented.
- (5) $R^{(I)}$ is cofinitely weak g-supplemented for every index set I .
- (6) Every R -module is cofinitely weak g-supplemented.

Proof. (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) Clear from Corollary 8.

(1) \Rightarrow (3) Assume M be a finitely generated R -module and let $M = \langle m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \rangle$. Then $M = Rm_1 + Rm_2 + \dots + Rm_n$. Since ${}_R R$ is g-semilocal and Rm_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) is an homomorphic image of ${}_R R$, by Lemma 10, Rm_i is g-semilocal. Then by Corollary 6, M is g-semilocal.

(3) \Leftrightarrow (4) Obtained from Lemma 15.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) By hypothesis, ${}_R R$ is weakly g-supplemented. Hence ${}_R R$ is cofinitely weak g-supplemented. Because of this, by Lemma 19, $R^{(I)}$ is cofinitely weak g-supplemented for every index set I .

(5) \Rightarrow (6) Clear from Corollary 9, since every R -module is ${}_R R$ -generated.

(6) \Rightarrow (2) By hypothesis, ${}_R R$ is cofinitely weak g-supplemented. Since ${}_R R$ is finitely generated, by Lemma 16, ${}_R R$ is weakly g-supplemented. \square

Proposition 3. *Let M be weakly g-supplemented R -module and U be a cofinite submodule of M . Then for every $V \leq M$ with $M = U + V$ and $U \cap V$ is a cofinite submodule of M , there exists a weak g-supplement K of U with $K \leq V$.*

Proof. Similar to proof of Proposition 1. \square

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