

ON E-SMALL COMPRESSIBLE MODULES

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ABSTRACT. Let R be a commutative ring with identity and let M be an (left) unitary R -module. In this paper, we introduce a detail and study the concept of e-small compressible as a generalization of the compressible module, and give some of their properties, characterizations, and examples. On the other hand, we study the relations between e-small compressible modules and some classes of modules.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let R be a commutative ring with identity and let M be an (left) unitary R -module. A submodule L is called essential submodule of M , if $L \cap K \neq 0$ for any submodule K of M . In [11], Zhou, D.X. and Zhang, X.R. introduce and study the concept of e-small submodules, where a submodule N of an R -module M is called e-small submodule ($N \ll_e M$) if for any essential submodule L of M , $N + L = M$ implies $L = M$. An R -module M is called e-small compressible if M can be embedded in each of its nonzero e-small submodule.

In this paper we introduce and study the concept of e-small compressible as a generalisation of compressible module, and give some of their properties, characterizations and examples. Also we see that under certain conditions, e-small compressible, e-small monofrom, small compressible and compressible modules are equivalent.

Moreover, we study the relations between e-small compressible modules and other related modules as e-small retractable module, polyform

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The notation $N \leq M$ means that N is a submodule of M and $N \leq^\oplus M$ denotes that N is a direct summand of M .

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. Let M be an R -module and $N \leq M$.

- (1) N is called essential submodule of M ($N \leq_e M$) if, $N \cap K \neq \{0\}$ for any nonzero submodule K of M .
- (2) N is called small submodule of M ($N \ll M$) if, for any submodule L of M , $N + L = M$ implies $L = M$.
- (3) N is called e-small of M ($N \ll_e M$) if, for any essential submodule L of M , $N + L = M$ implies $L = M$.
- (4) N is called δ -small of M ($N \ll_\delta M$) if $N + L = M$ with M/L is singular implies $L = M$.
- (5) M is called e-hollow if every submodule of M is e-small in M .

Remark 2.2. Each small submodule is e-small submodule. But the converse is not true in general for example: $N = \{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\}$ is a submodule of $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$ as a \mathbb{Z} -module. N is e-small but N is not small.

Lemma 2.3. ([2], Corollary 3.9)

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

Lemma 2.4. ([11], Proposition 2.5)

- (1) Let N , K and L are submodules of an R -module M such that $N \subseteq K$, if $K \ll_e M$, then $N \ll_e M$ and $K/N \ll_e M/N$.
- (2) Assume that $K_1 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq M$, $K_2 \subseteq M_2 \subseteq M$ and $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$, then $K_1 \oplus K_2 \ll_e M_1 \oplus M_2$ if and only $K_1 \ll_e M_1$ and $K_2 \ll_e M_2$.
- (3) $N + L \ll_e M$ if and only if $N \ll_e M$ and $L \ll_e M$.
- (4) If $K \ll_e M$ and $f : M \rightarrow M'$ is a homomorphism, then $f(K) \ll_e M'$. In particular, if $K \ll_e M \subseteq M'$, then $K \ll_e M'$.

Definition 2.5. A nonzero R -module is called anti co-Hopfian if it is isomorphic to all its nonzero submodules.

Lemma 2.6. *An anti co-Hopfian module M is uniform Noetherian.*

Proof. Since M is isomorphic to each cyclic submodule, M is cyclic and every submodule of M is cyclic and so M is Noetherian. Thus M has uniform submodule, say U . Since $U \cong M$, M is uniform. \square

3. SOME PROPERTIES OF E-SMALL COMPRESSIBLE MODULES

In this section, we introduce the concept of e-small compressible as a generalization of compressible module and give some basic properties examples and characterization of this concept.

Definition 3.1. An R -module M is called e-small compressible if M can be embedded in each of its nonzero e-small submodule. Equivalently, M is e-small compressible if there exists a monomorphism $f : M \rightarrow N$ whenever $0 \neq N \ll_e M$.

A ring R is called e-small compressible if R as an R -module is e-small compressible.

- Example 3.2.**
- (1) \mathbb{Z}_6 as a \mathbb{Z} -module is not e-small compressible, since $(\overline{3}) \ll_e \mathbb{Z}_6$ but \mathbb{Z}_6 cannot be embedded in $(\overline{3})$.
 - (2) Every semisimple module is not e-small compressible see 1).
 - (3) The \mathbb{Z} -module \mathbb{Q} is not e-small compressible, since $\mathbb{Z} \ll_e \mathbb{Q}$ and $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}) = 0$.
 - (4) Every simple module is e-small compressible but not conversely, since \mathbb{Z} as a \mathbb{Z} -module is e-small compressible but not simple.
 - (5) Every integral domain ring is an e-small compressible ring.

- Remark 3.3.**
- (1) Every compressible module is e-small compressible.
 - (2) Every e-small compressible module is a small compressible but not conversely.

Proof. Suppose that M is an e-small compressible module. Let $0 \neq N \ll M$, then $N \ll_e M$. Since M is e-small compressible, so $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. Thus M is small compressible. Conversely is not true because \mathbb{Z}_6 as a \mathbb{Z} -module is small compressible but not e-small compressible. \square

Proposition 3.4. Let M be an e-hollow R -module, then M is e-small compressible if and only if M is compressible.

Proof. \Leftarrow) It is clear.

\Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e-small compressible. Let N be a nonzero submodule of M , since M is e-hollow then N is e-small in M . But M is e-small compressible, so M can be embedded in N for some $0 \neq N \leq M$. Thus M is compressible. \square

Corollary 3.5. Let M be a semi-simple R -module. Then M is e-small compressible if and only if M is compressible.

Proof

Since M is semi-simple then M is e-hollow. Thus the result is obtained by Proposition 3.4.

Proposition 3.6. *Let M be an indecomposable R -module. Then M is e -small compressible if and only if M is small compressible.*

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e -small compressible. Then the result is obtained by Remark 3.3.

\Leftarrow) Suppose that M is small compressible. Let $N \ll_e M$, since M is indecomposable then by [2, Proposition 3.7] $N \ll M$. So M can be embedded in N . Thus M is small compressible. \square

Proposition 3.7. *An e -small submodule of an e -small compressible module is e -small compressible.*

Proof. Let M be an e -small compressible module and $0 \neq N \ll_e M$. Let $0 \neq K \ll_e N$, then $K \ll_e M$. As M is e -small compressible implies there exists a monomorphism $f : M \rightarrow K$ and therefore $fi : N \rightarrow K$ is a monomorphism where $i : N \rightarrow M$ is the inclusion homomorphism. Hence N is e -small compressible. \square

Proposition 3.8. *A direct summand of an e -small compressible module is also e -small compressible.*

Proof. Let $M = A \oplus B$ be an e -small compressible module and let $0 \neq K \ll_e A$. Then $K \oplus 0 \ll_e M$ and hence there is a monomorphism say, $f : M \rightarrow K \oplus 0$ clearly $K \oplus 0 \simeq K$, so $f : M \rightarrow K$ is a monomorphism and the composition $fj_A : A \rightarrow M \rightarrow K$ is a monomorphism where j_A is the inclusion of homomorphism A in M . Therefore A is e -small compressible. \square

Corollary 3.9. *Let M be a semi-simple R -module. If M is e -small compressible, then every nonzero submodule of M is e -small compressible.*

Proof. Suppose that M is e -small compressible. Let $0 \neq N \leq M$, then $N \leq^\oplus M$. So N is e -small compressible by Proposition 3.8. \square

Proposition 3.10. *Let M_1 and M_2 be two isomorphic R -modules. Then M_1 is e -small compressible if and only if M_2 is e -small compressible.*

Proof. Suppose that M_1 is e -small compressible. Let $\varphi : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ be an isomorphism, $\varphi^{-1} : M_2 \rightarrow M_1$ is well-be homomorphism. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M_2$, then $\varphi^{-1}(N) \ll_e M_1$ by Lemma 2.4. Put $K = \varphi^{-1}(N)$, $f : M_1 \rightarrow K$ is a monomorphism and $g = \varphi|_K$ then $g : K \rightarrow M_2$ is a monomorphism. $g(K) = \varphi(\varphi^{-1}(N)) = N$ hence $g : K \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. Now, we have the composition

$h = gf\varphi^{-1} : M_2 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow K \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. Therefore, M_2 is e-small compressible. \square

Remark 3.11. The direct sum of e-small compressible module is not necessarily e-small compressible. Consider the following examples

Let $\mathbb{Z}_6 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_3$ as a \mathbb{Z} -module. Each of \mathbb{Z}_2 and \mathbb{Z}_3 is e-small compressible. But \mathbb{Z}_6 is not e-small compressible by Example 3.2.

Proposition 3.12. *Let $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ be an R -module such that $Ann_RM_1 + Ann_RM_2$. Then M is e-small compressible if and only if M_1 and M_2 are e-small compressible.*

Proof. \Rightarrow) It follows by Proposition 3.8.

\Leftarrow) Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$. Then by [1], $N = K_1 \oplus K_2$ for some $0 \neq K_1 \leq M_1 \leq M$ and $0 \neq K_2 \leq M_2 \leq M$. But M_1 and M_2 are e-small compressible, so there are monomorphism $f : M_1 \rightarrow K_1$ and $g : M_2 \rightarrow K_2$. Define $h : M \rightarrow N$ by $h(a, b) = (f(a), g(b))$, it can easily that h is a monomorphism and hence M is e-small compressible. \square

Now, we introduce the following notions.

Definition 3.13. Let M be an R -module.

- (1) M is called e-small prime if $Ann_R(M) = Ann_R(N)$ for each nonzero e-small submodule N of M .
- (2) M is called e-small uniform if every nonzero e-small submodule of M is essential in M .

Lemma 3.14. *Let M be an e-small prime module, then $Ann_R(N)$ is a prime ideal of R for each nonzero e-small submodule of M .*

Proof. Let N be a nonzero e-small submodule of M . Let $a, b \in R$ such that $ab \in Ann_R(N)$. Then $abN = 0$. Suppose that $bN \neq 0$. But $bN \leq N$ and $N \ll_e M$, then $bN \ll_e M$, but M is e-small prime and $a \in Ann_R(bN)$ implies $a \in Ann_R(M)$, on the other hand $Ann_R(M) = Ann_R(N)$, so $a \in Ann_R(N)$ and hence $Ann_R(N)$ is a prime ideal of R . \square

Definition 3.15. A proper submodule N of an R -module M is called e-small prime submodule if and only if whenever $r \in R$ et $x \in M$ with $(x) \ll_e M$ et $rx \in N$ either $x \in N$ or $r \in [N :_R M]$.

Proposition 3.16. *Every e-small compressible module is e-small prime.*

Proof. Let M be an e-small compressible module. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, we have show that $ann(M) = ann(N)$. Let $r \in Ann_R(N)$ then $rN = 0$. But M is e-small compressible, $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism, then $f(rM) = rf(M) \subseteq rN = 0$, so $rM = 0$, thus $r \in Ann_R(M)$ and therefore $Ann_R(M) = Ann_R(N)$. \square

Proposition 3.17. ([8], Lemma 2.3.3.p.56 and Theorem 2.3.6.p.57) *A finitely generated R -module M is e -small compressible if and only if M is e -small prime and e -small uniform.*

In the following result, we are going to give a characterization of e -small compressible modules.

Theorem 3.18. *Let M be an R -module. Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) M is e -small compressible.
- (2) M is isomorphic to an R -module of the form A/P for some e -small prime ideal P of R and an ideal A of R containing P properly.
- (3) M is isomorphic to a nonzero submodule of a finitely generated e -small uniform, e -small prime R -module.

Proof. 1) \Rightarrow 2) Let $0 \neq m \in M$, $Rm \ll_e M$. Then Rm is e -small compressible by Proposition 3.7, therefore Rm is e -small prime by Proposition 3.16. So there exists a monomorphism, say $f : M \rightarrow Rm$ and hence M is isomorphic to a submodule of Rm . On other hand, $Rm \simeq R/\text{ann}(m)$ and by Lemma 3.14 $\text{Ann}_R(m)$ is a prime ideal and hence e -small prime ideal of R .

Put $\text{Ann}_R(m) = P$, then $M \simeq A/P$ where A is an ideal of R contains P properly and P is an e -small prime ideal of R .

2) \Rightarrow 3) By (2), $M \simeq A/P$ for some prime ideal P of R and an ideal A of R containing P properly, so A/P is a nonzero submodule of R/P . R/P is finitely generated R -module and R/P is e -small prime (since R/P is an integral domain). Also R/P is an uniform R -module and hence e -small uniform, hence (3) follows.

3) \Rightarrow 1) By (3), M is isomorphic to a nonzero submodule of a finitely generated e -small uniform and e -small prime R -module, say M' , M' is an e -small compressible R -module by Proposition 3.17. So M is e -small compressible by Proposition 3.10 which proves (1). \square

Proposition 3.19. *Let M be an R -module. Then M is e -small compressible if and only if there exists a monomorphism $\varphi \in \text{End}_R(M)$ such that $\text{Im}\varphi \subseteq N$ for each nonzero e -small submodule N of M .*

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e -small compressible. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. So there exists a monomorphism $\varphi = if \in \text{End}_R(M)$ where $i : N \rightarrow M$ is the inclusion homomorphism and $\text{Im}\varphi = if(M) = f(M) \subseteq N$.

\Leftarrow) Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$. By hypothesis there exists a monomorphism $\varphi \in \text{End}_R(M)$ and $\varphi(M) \subseteq N$. Therefore, $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. Thus M is e -small compressible. \square

4. ESMALL COMPRESSIBLE AND OTHER RELATED MODULES

In this section, we study the relations between e-small compressible modules and other related modules.

Proposition 4.1. *Let M be a projective R -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e-small compressible.
- (2) $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$.

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e-small compressible. Let $N \ll_e M$, then $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ is a monomorphism. To show that $N \ll_\delta M$. Let K be a submodule of M such that $N + K = M$ and M/K singular. Since $N \ll_e M$, by [11, Proposition 2.3] K is a direct summand of M and M/K is a semisimple module. Then there exist a submodule L of M such that $K \oplus L = M$. And so $M/K \cong L$. Then L is a singular module. Since M/K is semisimple, L is semisimple. L is a projective module also as direct summand of projective module. So L is a projective module and semisimple. Thus M/K is a nonsingular and singular module. So $M/K = \{0\}$. Hence, $M = K$, $N \ll_\delta M$. Therefore $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$.
 \Leftarrow) Suppose that $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$. To show that $N \ll_e M$. Let K be an essential submodule of M such that $N + K = M$. Since $K \leq_e M$, M/K is singular. But $N \ll_\delta M$, $M = K$. Thus $N \ll_e M$. Hence M is e-small compressible.

Put $\mathbb{Z}(M) = \{m \in M : \text{Ann}_R(m) \leq_e M\}$. $\mathbb{Z}(M)$ is called the singular submodule of M . M is called singular if $\mathbb{Z}(M) = M$ and M is called nonsingular if $\mathbb{Z}(M) = 0$. \square

Proposition 4.2. *Let M be a nonsingular R -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e-small compressible.
- (2) $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$.

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e-small compressible. For $N \ll_e M$, then by [2, proposition 3.6] $N \ll_\delta M$. So $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$.

\Leftarrow) Suppose that $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$. To show that $N \ll_e M$. Then by Proposition 4.1 $N \ll_e M$. So $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ is a monomorphism. Hence M is e-small compressible. \square

Corollary 4.3. *Let M be a faithful prime R -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e -small compressible.
- (2) $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ contains a monomorphism for any $N \ll_\delta M$.

Proposition 4.4. *Let M be a faithful anti co-Hopfian R -module such that every cyclic submodule is e -small. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e -small compressible.
- (2) M is nonsingular.

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is an e -small compressible module. Then M is e -small prime by Proposition 3.16. So by [7, Proposition 3.31] M is a torsion-free module over an integral domain $R/\text{ann}M$. Since by hypothesis M is faithful, then M is a torsion free module over an integral domain R . So M is a nonsingular R -module.

\Rightarrow) Suppose that M is nonsingular. Since by hypothesis M is anti co-Hopfian, then M is uniform. So M is monofrom. Thus M is e -small uniform and e -small prime module. But moreover M is finitely generated, hence M is e -small compressible by Proposition 3.17. \square

Corollary 4.5. *Let M be a faithful e -hollow R -module such that $S = \text{End}_R(M)$ is continuous and regular. If M is e -small compressible, then M is continuous.*

Proof. Suppose that M is e -small compressible. Since M is an e -hollow module, then every submodule is e -small in M . So by Proposition 4.4 M is a nonsingular module. But by Proposition 3.4 M is compressible, so M is a retractable module. Hence by [6, Theorem 2.6] M is a continuous module. \square

Corollary 4.6. *Let M be a faithful e -hollow R -module such that $S = \text{End}_R(M)$ is continuous and regular. If M is e -small compressible, then M is quasi-continuous.*

Recall that an R -module M is called K -nonsingular module if, $\phi \in \text{End}(M)$, $\text{Ker}\phi \leq^e M$ implies $\phi = 0$. Also it is called polyform if, for any $0 \neq N \leq M$ and $f \in \text{hom}(N, M)$, $0 \neq f$, then $\text{Ker}f \not\leq^e N$.

Proposition 4.7. *Let M be an anti co-Hopfian R -module. If M is a K -nonsingular module, then M is an e -small compressible module.*

Proof. Suppose that M is a K -nonsingular module. Since by hypothesis M is uniform, M is an indecomposable extending module. So M is a Baer module, thus M is a quasi-Dedekind module. Hence M is an e -small uniform and e -small prime module since it is uniform quasi-Dedekind. But M is finitely generated, therefore M is e -small compressible by Proposition 3.17. \square

Corollary 4.8. *Let M be an anti co-Hopfian R -module. If M is a polyform module, then M is an e-small compressible module.*

Proof. Since by [10, Proposition 2.3] every polyform module is a K -nonsingular module, then the result is obtained by Proposition 4.7. \square

Proposition 4.9. *Let M be an e-small compressible R -module such that every nonzero e-small submodule of M is simple. Then M is simple.*

Proof. Suppose that M is e-small compressible and let N be a nonzero e-small submodule of M . Then M can be embedded in N , so M is isomorphic to any submodule of N . Since by hypothesis N is simple and $M \cong N$, M is simple. \square

Corollary 4.10. *Let M be a faithful R -module such that every nonzero e-small submodule of M is simple. If M is e-small compressible, then R is e-small compressible.*

Proof. Suppose that M is e-small compressible. Then by Proposition 4.9 M is simple, so $End_R(M)$ is a division ring. But M is a faithful module, $End_R(M) \simeq R$ implies R is a division ring. Thus R is e-small compressible. \square

Now, we introduce the following notions.

Definition 4.11. An R -module M is called e-small retractable if $Hom(M, N) \neq 0$ for each nonzero e-small submodule N of M .

Remark 4.12. Every retractable module is e-small retractable module. Every semisimple module is e-small retractable because it is retractable.

Proposition 4.13. *Every e-small compressible module is e-small retractable. But the converse is not true in general.*

Let N be a nonzero e-small submodule of M . Since by hypothesis M is e-small compressible, then M can be embedded in N . So $Hom(M, N) \neq 0$, thus M is e-small retractable.

The conversely is not true because the semisimple module is e-small retractable but not e-small compressible by Example 3.2.

Recall that an module M is said to be co-compressible if it is a homomorphic image of any of its non trivial factor.

Proposition 4.14. *Let M be a Hopfian and co-compressible R -module. If M is e-small retractable, then M is e-small compressible.*

Proof. We show that every $0 \neq f \in \text{End}(M)$ is an epimorphism. Let $f : M \rightarrow M$. Since M is co-compressible $g : M/N \rightarrow M$ is an epimorphism, $go\pi : M \rightarrow M/N \rightarrow M$ is an epimorphism where $\pi : M \rightarrow M/N$ is a projection canonic. Thus put $f = go\pi \in \text{End}(M)$ is an epimorphism. Since by hypothesis M is Hopfian, f is a monomorphism. But by hypothesis M is e-small retractable, then M is e-small compressible. \square

Proposition 4.15. *Let M be an indecomposable and e-small retractable R -module. If S is a regular ring then M is e-small compressible where $S = \text{End}_R(M)$.*

Proof. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, then by properties of e-small retractable module, $f : M \rightarrow N$, $0 \neq f$ is a homomorphism. If $i : N \rightarrow M$ is the inclusion map, then $iof : M \rightarrow M$ is a homomorphism. But S is a regular ring, so $\text{Ker} f = \text{Ker}(iof) \leq^\oplus M$. Since by hypothesis M is indecomposable, $\text{Ker} f = 0$. Thus M is e-small compressible. \square

Corollary 4.16. *Let M be a critically co-compressible and e-small retractable R -module. If S is a regular ring, then M is e-small compressible where $S = \text{End}_R(M)$.*

Recall an R -module M is called e-small quasi-Dedekind if, for each $f \in \text{End}_R(M)$, $f \neq 0$ implies $\text{Ker} f$ is e-small in M .

The following proposition shows that e-small quasi-Dedekind implies e-small compressible under the class uniform free \mathbb{Z} -module.

Proposition 4.17. *Let M be an uniform free \mathbb{Z} -module such that every submodule is e-small. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e-small compressible.
- (2) M is compressible.
- (3) M is quasi-Dedekind.
- (4) M is small quasi-Dedekind.
- (5) M is e-small quasi-Dedekind.

Proof. 1) \Rightarrow 5) Let $0 \neq N \leq M$. By hypothesis N is e-small in M . Since M is e-small compressible, M can be embedded in N . So M is compressible.

2) \Rightarrow 3) It is clear.

3) \Rightarrow 4) Obvious.

4) \Rightarrow 5) Let $0 \neq f \in \text{End}_R(M)$. Since M is a small quasi-Dedekind module, then $\text{Ker} f \ll M$. So $\text{Ker} f \ll_e M$. Thus M is an e-small quasi-Dedekind module.

5) \Rightarrow 1) Since \mathbb{Z} is an integral domain and M is a free \mathbb{Z} -module, then by [9, Corollary 1.2.4] M is e-small retractable.

Now, let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a nonzero homomorphism. Since M is an e-small quasi-Dedekind module, then $\text{Ker}(iof) \ll_e M$ where $i : N \rightarrow M$, so $\text{Ker}(iof) \ll M$ since M is uniform. Moreover, M is a free \mathbb{Z} -module, hence $\text{Ker}f = \text{Ker}(iof) = 0$. Thus M is an e-small compressible module. \square

Corollary 4.18. *Let M be an uniform e-hollow free \mathbb{Z} -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is monoform.
- (2) M is quasi-Dedekind.
- (3) M is small quasi-Dedekind.
- (4) M is e-small quasi-Dedekind.
- (5) M is e-small compressible.

Theorem 4.19. ([8], Proposition 2.3.9.p.60) *Let M be a faithful finitely generated multiplication R -module. Then M is e-small compressible if and only if R is e-small compressible.*

Corollary 4.20. *Let M be a faithful cyclic R -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) M is e-small compressible module.
- (2) M is e-small prime module.
- (3) R is e-small compressible ring.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) See Proposition 3.16.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Suppose that M is e-small prime. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, then $\text{ann}_R M = \text{ann}_R N = \text{ann}_R IM = \text{ann}_R(I)$ since M is a multiplication module. But M is faithful, then $\text{ann}_R(I) = 0$. Thus by [9, Corollary 3.1.40], R is e-small compressible.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) It is clear by Theorem 4.19. \square

Definition 4.21. An R -module is called e-small polyform if for each $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M)$, $\text{Ker}f \not\ll_e N$

Proposition 4.22. *Every e-small compressible module is an e-small polyform module. But the converse is not true in general.*

Proof. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$ and $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M)$. Since M is e-small compressible, then $gof : N \rightarrow M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. So $\text{Ker}f = 0$, thus $\text{Ker}f \not\ll_e N$. Hence M is an e-small polyform module. The reciprocal is not true because \mathbb{Z}_4 as \mathbb{Z} -module is e-small polyform but not e-small compressible. \square

Definition 4.23. Let M be an R -module.

- (1) M is called a monoform module if for each nonzero submodule N of M and for each $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M)$, $f \neq 0$ implies $\text{Ker}f = 0$.

- (2) M is called an e-small monoform module if for each nonzero submodule N of M and for each $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M)$, $f \neq 0$ implies $\text{Ker } f \ll_e N$.

Remark 4.24. Every e-small compressible R -module is e-small monoform but not conversely. For instance, \mathbb{Z}_6 as \mathbb{Z} -module is e-small monoform but not e-small compressible.

Proposition 4.25. *Let M be a quasi-Dedekind R -module. Then M is e-small monoform if and only if M is e-small compressible.*

Proof. \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is e-small monoform. Let $0 \neq N \ll_e M$, then $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M) \neq 0$. Since by hypothesis M is quasi-Dedekind, then $f \circ g : M \rightarrow N \rightarrow M$ is a monomorphism. So $g : M \rightarrow N$ is a monomorphism. Thus M is e-small compressible.

\Leftarrow) It is clear by Remark 4.24. □

Proposition 4.26. *Let M be an uniform Noetherian small prime R -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) M is compressible.
- (2) M is small compressible
- (3) M is e-small compressible.
- (4) M is e-small polyform.
- (5) M is e-small monoform.

Proof. 1) \Rightarrow 2) It is clear.

2) \Rightarrow 3) Since M is uniform, M is indecomposable. So M is e-small compressible by Proposition 3.6.

3) \Rightarrow 4) See Proposition 4.22.

4) \Rightarrow 5) It is clear by [8].

5) \Rightarrow 1) It follows by [3, Proposition 2.29]. □

Corollary 4.27. *Let M be an anti co-Hopfian small prime R -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) M is compressible.
- (2) M is small compressible
- (3) M is e-small compressible.
- (4) M is e-small polyform.
- (5) M is e-small monoform.

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