

## ON MONO-INJECTIVE MODULES AND MONO-OJECTIVE MODULES

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ABSTRACT. In [5] and [6], we have introduced a couple of relative generalized epi-projectivities and given several properties of these projectivities. In this paper, we consider relative generalized injectivities that are dual to these relative projectivities and apply them to the study of direct sums of extending modules. Firstly we prove that for an extending module  $N$ , a module  $M$  is  $N$ -injective if and only if  $M$  is mono- $N$ -injective and essentially  $N$ -injective. Then we define a mono-ojectivity that plays an important role in the study of direct sums of extending modules. The structure of (mono-)ojectivity is complicated and hence it is difficult to determine whether these injectivities are inherited by finite direct sums and direct summands even in the case where each module is quasi-continuous. Finally we give several characterizations of these injectivities and find necessary and sufficient conditions for the direct sums of extending modules to be extending.

### 1. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper  $R$  will be a ring with identity and all modules considered will be unitary right  $R$ -modules. A module  $M$  is called *extending* if every submodule of  $M$  is essential in a direct summand of  $M$ . We use the notation  $A \subseteq_e M$  and  $B \leq_{\oplus} M$  to indicate that  $A$  is an essential submodule of  $M$  and  $B$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . For a direct sum  $M = X \oplus Y$ ,  $p_X : M = X \oplus Y \rightarrow X$  denotes the projection of  $M = X \oplus Y$  to  $X$ .

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be two modules.  $M$  is said to be *essentially  $N$ -injective* if every homomorphism with essential kernel from a submodule of  $N$  into  $M$  extends to  $M$ .  $M$  is said to be *mono- $N$ -injective* if every monomorphism from a submodule of  $N$  into  $M$  extends to  $M$ . In Section 2, we prove that for an extending module  $N$ , a module  $M$  is  $N$ -injective if and only if  $M$  is mono- $N$ -injective and essentially  $N$ -injective (Theorem 2.3).

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be modules.  $M$  is said to be *generalized (mono-) $N$ -injective* or *(mono-) $N$ -ojective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $N$  and any homomorphism (monomorphism)  $f : X \rightarrow M$ , there exist the decompositions  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$ , a homomorphism (monomorphism)  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1$  and a monomorphism  $g_2 : M_2 \rightarrow N_2$  satisfying the following property :

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(\*) For any  $x \in X$ , we express  $x, f(x)$  in  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2, M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $x = n_1 + n_2, f(x) = m_1 + m_2$ . Then  $g_1(n_1) = m_1$  and  $g_2(m_2) = n_2$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be modules.  $B$  is said to be *almost  $A$ -injective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $A$  and any homomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow B$ , there exists a homomorphism  $g : A \rightarrow B$  with  $g|_X = f$ , or there exist a non-zero direct summand  $A'$  of  $A$  and a homomorphism  $h : B \rightarrow A'$  with  $h \circ f = p_{A'}|_X$ , where  $p_{A'}$  is the projection of  $A$  onto  $A'$ . The almost injectivities are useful for the study of direct sums of uniform modules (cf. [1]). In the case that  $A$  is indecomposable, we note that  $B$  is  $A$ -ojective if and only if  $B$  is almost  $A$ -injective.

A module  $M$  is said to be *weakly generalized mono- $N$ -injective* or *weakly mono- $N$ -ojective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $N$  and any monomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow M$ , there exist an essential submodule  $Y$  of  $X$ , decompositions  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1, g_2 : M_2 \rightarrow N_2$  satisfying the condition (\*) for  $Y$ , that is,

(\*) For any  $y \in Y$ , we express  $y, f(y)$  in  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2, M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $y = n_1 + n_2, f(y) = m_1 + m_2$ . Then  $g_1(n_1) = m_1$  and  $g_2(m_2) = n_2$ .

Note that  $M$  is (weakly) mono- $N$ -ojective iff  $N$  is (weakly) mono- $M$ -ojective. In Section 3, we study several properties of relative mono-ojectivity and find necessary and sufficient conditions for the direct sum of extending modules to be extending in terms of the (weakly) mono-ojectivity (see, Theorem 3.3).

Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and let  $\varphi : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$  be a homomorphism. Put  $\langle M_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} M_2 \rangle = \{m_1 - \varphi(m_1) \mid m_1 \in M_1\}$ . Then this is a submodule of  $M$  which is called the *graph* with respect to  $M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ . Note that  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2 = \langle M_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} M_2 \rangle \oplus M_2$ .

For undefined terminologies, the reader is referred to [2], [9] and [12].

The following give several properties of relative essentially injective modules and relative ojective modules.

**Proposition 1.1.** (cf.[3, pp.16-17])

(1) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be modules. If  $A$  is essentially  $B$ -injective, then  $A$  is essentially  $C$ -injective for any submodule  $C$  of  $B$ .

(2) Let  $A$  be a module and let  $\{B_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a family of modules. Then  $A$  is essentially  $\oplus_I B_i$ -injective if and only if  $A$  is essentially  $B_i$ -injective for all  $i \in I$ .

(3) Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B$  be modules. Then  $A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_n$  is essentially  $B$ -injective if and only if  $A_i$  is essentially  $B$ -injective for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** (cf.[8, Proposition 1.4], [10, Proposition 3.8]) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be modules. Then

(1) If  $A$  is  $B$ -ojective, then  $A$  is essentially  $B$ -injective.

(2) If  $A$  is  $B$ -ojective, then  $A'$  is  $B'$ -ojective for any  $A' <_{\oplus} A$  and  $B' <_{\oplus} B$ .

In general, an essentially  $B$ -injective module need not be  $B$ -ojective. For example, let  $B$  be an injective module with exactly one nonzero proper submodule  $S$  and let  $A$  be an indecomposable non-extending module that contains a simple submodule not isomorphic to  $S$ . Then  $A$  is essentially  $B$ -injective, but not  $B$ -ojective ([7, Example 2.3]).

## 2. MONO-INJECTIVE MODULES

We recall the definition of relative mono-injectivity. Let  $M$  and  $N$  be modules.  $M$  is said to be *mono- $N$ -injective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $N$  and any monomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow M$ , there exists a homomorphism  $g : N \rightarrow M$  with  $g|_X = f$ .

Clearly mono-injectivities are inherited by direct summands as follows:

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $M$  and  $N$  be modules. If  $M$  is mono- $N$ -injective, then  $M'$  is mono- $N'$ -injective for any direct summands  $M' <_{\oplus} M$  and  $N' <_{\oplus} N$ .*

*Proof.* Straightforward. □

**Lemma 2.2.** (cf.[11, Lemma 2.2]) *Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and let  $X$  be a submodule of  $M$ . If  $X_1 \subseteq_e M_1$  for  $X_1 \subseteq X$ , then  $X \supseteq_e X_1 \oplus (M_2 \cap X)$ .*

The following result deals with the connection between injectivity, mono-injectivity and essentially injectivity.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $M$  be a module and let  $N$  be an extending module. Then  $M$  is  $N$ -injective if and only if  $M$  is mono- $N$ -injective and essentially  $N$ -injective.*

*Proof.* It is enough to prove “if” part. Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $N$ , let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a homomorphism. Since  $N$  is extending, there exists a decomposition  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$  such that  $\ker f \subseteq_e N_1$ . By Lemma 2.2, we see

$$X \supseteq_e \ker f \oplus (N_2 \cap X) \quad \dots \quad (a).$$

Since  $M$  is mono- $N_2$ -injective, there exists a homomorphism  $g : N_2 \rightarrow M$  such that  $g|_{(N_2 \cap X)} = f|_{(N_2 \cap X)}$ . Define  $g^* : N = N_1 \oplus N_2 \rightarrow M$  by  $g^*(n_1 + n_2) = g(n_2)$  and put  $\varphi = (g^*|_X) - f$ . Let  $0 \neq x \in X$ . By (a), there exists  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq xr \in \ker f \oplus (N_2 \cap X)$ ,  $xr$  can be expressed as  $xr = k + y$  with  $k \in \ker f$ ,  $y \in N_2 \cap X$ . Then  $\varphi(xr) = g^*(xr) - f(xr) = g(y) - f(k + y) = f(y) - f(y) = 0$  and so  $\ker \varphi \subseteq_e X$ .

Since  $M$  is essentially  $N$ -injective, there exists a homomorphism  $\psi : N \rightarrow M$  such that  $\psi|_X = \varphi$ . Put  $h = g^* - \psi$ . Then, for any  $x \in X$ ,  $h(x) = g^*(x) - \psi(x) = g^*(x) - \varphi(x) = g^*(x) - (g^*(x) - f(x)) = f(x)$ .

Therefore  $M$  is  $N$ -injective. □

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $M$  be an extending module. If  $M$  is mono- $M$ -injective, then  $M$  is essentially  $M$ -injective.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $M$  and let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a homomorphism with  $\ker f \subseteq_e X$ . As  $M$  is extending, there exists a decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  such that  $X$  is essential in  $M_1$ . Define  $g : X \oplus M_2 \rightarrow M$  by  $g(x + m_2) = f(x)$  and put  $\varphi = 1_{X \oplus M_2} - g$ . Since  $\ker g = \ker f \oplus M_2 \subseteq_e M$ ,  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism. So there exists an endomorphism  $\varphi^* : M \rightarrow M$  with  $\varphi^*|_{X \oplus M_2} = \varphi$ . Put  $\psi = 1_M - \varphi^*$ . Then, for any  $x \in X$ ,

$$\psi(x) = x - \varphi^*(x) = x - \varphi(x) = x - (x - g(x)) = g(x) = f(x).$$

Thus  $M$  is essentially  $M$ -injective.  $\square$

We note that, in general, a mono- $N$ -injective module is not essentially  $N$ -injective.

**Example 2.5.** (cf.[5, Example 2.7]) Let  $S$  and  $S'$  be simple modules with  $S \not\cong S'$ . Let  $M$  and  $K$  be uniserial modules with the following conditions:

- (i)  $M \cap K = S$ ,
- (ii)  $M \supset S \supset 0$ ,  $K \supset K_1 \supset K_2 \supset S \supset 0$ ,
- (iii)  $M/S \simeq S$ ,  $K/K_1 \simeq S'$ ,  $K_1/K_2 \simeq S$ ,  $K_2/S \simeq S'$ .

Put  $N = M + K$ . (Using path algebra, we can see that there exist such modules  $M, N$ .)

(I) First we show “ $M$  is mono- $N/S(= M/S \oplus K/S)$ -injective.” Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $N/S$  and let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a monomorphism. In the case of  $f(X) = M$ ,  $X$  is an uniserial module with length 2. So we see  $X = K_1/S$ . Then the tops of  $M$  and  $K_1/S$  are not isomorphic, a contradiction. Thus we see  $f(X) = S$ . Since the socle of  $N/S$  is  $M/S \oplus K_2/S$  and  $X \simeq S$ , we see  $X = M/S$ . Thus there exists a homomorphism  $g : N/S = M/S \oplus K/S \rightarrow M$  such that  $g|_X = f$ . Thus  $M$  is mono- $N/S$ -injective.

(II) Next we show “ $M$  is not essentially  $N/S$ -injective.” Let  $f' : K_1/S \rightarrow K_1/K_2$  be the canonical epimorphism and let  $\epsilon : K_1/K_2 \rightarrow S$  be an isomorphism. Then  $f = \epsilon \circ f' : K_1/S \rightarrow S$  is a homomorphism with  $\ker f = K_2/S \subseteq_e K_1/S$ . Assume that  $f$  is extended to  $g : K/S \rightarrow M$ . If  $\text{Im } g = S$  and  $\ker g = K_1/S$ , then  $S = \text{Im } g \simeq K/K_1 \simeq S'$ , a contradiction. If  $\text{Im } g = M$ , then the map  $\varphi = \pi \circ g : K/S \rightarrow M/S$  is an epimorphism with  $\ker \varphi = K_1/S$ , where  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/S$  is the canonical epimorphism. Then  $S \simeq M/S = \text{Im } \varphi \simeq K/K_1 \simeq S'$ , a contradiction. Thus  $M$  is not essentially  $K/S$ -injective.

Therefore  $M$  is mono- $N/S$ -injective, but not essentially  $N/S$ -injective.

As an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.3 and Proposition 2.4, we obtain the following:

**Theorem 2.6.** (cf. [4]) *A module  $M$  is quasi-injective if and only if  $M$  is extending and mono- $M$ -injective.*

### 3. MONO-OJECTIVE MODULES

We recall the definition of relative mono-ojectivity.

**Definition.** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be modules.  $M$  is said to be *generalized (mono-) $N$ -injective* or *(mono-) $N$ -ojective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $N$  and any homomorphism (monomorphism)  $f : X \rightarrow M$ , there exist decompositions  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$ , a homomorphism (monomorphism)  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1$  and a monomorphism  $g_2 : M_2 \rightarrow N_2$  satisfying the following property :

(\*) For any  $x \in X$ , we express  $x, f(x)$  in  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2, M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $x = n_1 + n_2, f(x) = m_1 + m_2$ . Then  $g_1(n_1) = m_1$  and  $g_2(m_2) = n_2$ .

Note that “mono-ojectivity” is named “symmetrically injective” in [7].

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a module and let  $N$  be an extending module. If  $M$  is  $N$ -ojective, then  $M$  is mono- $N$ -ojective.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be any submodule of  $N$  and  $g : X \rightarrow M$  a monomorphism. Since  $N$  is extending, there exists the decomposition  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$  such that  $X \subseteq_e N_1$ . By Proposition 1.2,  $M$  is  $N_1$ -ojective and hence there exist the decompositions  $N_1 = \overline{N_1} \oplus \overline{\overline{N_1}}$  and  $M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}}$  together with the homomorphism  $h_1 : \overline{N_1} \rightarrow \overline{M}$  and monomorphism  $h_2 : \overline{M} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N_1}}$  such that for  $x = \overline{n_1} + \overline{\overline{n_1}}$  and  $g(x) = \overline{m} + \overline{\overline{m}}$  one has  $h_1(\overline{n_1}) = \overline{m}$  and  $h_2(\overline{m}) = \overline{\overline{n_1}}$ . Since  $X$  is essential in  $N_1$  and  $g$  is a monomorphism, we see that  $h_1$  is a monomorphism. Now we have the decompositions  $N = (\overline{\overline{N_1}} \oplus N_2) \oplus \overline{N_1}$  and  $M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}}$  together with the monomorphisms  $h_1 : \overline{N_1} \rightarrow \overline{M}$  and  $h_2 : \overline{M} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N_1}} \oplus N_2$  such that for  $x = \overline{n_1} + (\overline{\overline{n_1}} + n_2)$  and  $g(x) = \overline{m} + \overline{\overline{m}}$  one has  $h_1(\overline{n_1}) = \overline{m}$  and  $h_2(\overline{m}) = \overline{\overline{n_1}} + n_2$ . Thus  $M$  is mono- $N$ -ojective.  $\square$

We recall the definition of relative weakly mono-ojectivity. A module  $M$  is said to be *weakly generalized mono- $N$ -injective* or *weakly mono- $N$ -ojective* if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $N$  and any monomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow M$ , there exist an essential submodule  $Y$  of  $X$ , decompositions  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2, N = N_1 \oplus N_2$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1, g_2 : M_2 \rightarrow N_2$  satisfying the following condition (\*):

(\*) For any  $y \in Y$ , we express  $y, f(y)$  in  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2, M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $y = n_1 + n_2, f(y) = m_1 + m_2$ . Then  $g_1(n_1) = m_1$  and  $g_2(m_2) = n_2$ .

In this case, the decompositions  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$ ,  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1$ ,  $g_2 : N_2 \rightarrow M_2$  are said to satisfy the condition  $(*)$  for  $Y$ .

Since any mono- $N$ -ojective module is weakly mono- $N$ -ojective, for any extending module  $N$ , we see the following:

$N$ -injective  $\Rightarrow N$ -ojective  $\Rightarrow$  mono- $N$ -ojective  $\Rightarrow$  weakly mono- $N$ -ojective.

We note that, in general, a mono- $N$ -ojective module is not  $N$ -ojective. For example,  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  is mono- $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ -ojective but is not essentially  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ -injective (not  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ -ojective).

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $N$  be an extending module. Then the module  $M$  is  $N$ -ojective if and only if  $M$  is essentially  $N$ -injective and mono- $N'$ -ojective for any direct summand  $N'$  of  $N$ .*

*Proof.* “Only if” part is clear by Proposition 1.2.

“If” part: Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $N$  and let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a homomorphism. By Zorn’s lemma,  $\Gamma = \{(X_i, f_i) \mid X \subseteq X_i \subseteq N, f_i|_X = f\}$  has a maximal element  $(X^*, f^*)$ . Since  $N$  is extending, there exists a decomposition  $N = N^* \oplus N^{**}$  such that  $\ker f^* \subseteq_e N^*$ . Since  $M$  is essentially  $N^*$ -injective and  $\ker f^* \subseteq_e X^* \cap N^*$ , there exists a homomorphism  $g^* : N^* \rightarrow M$  with  $g^*|_{X^* \cap N^*} = f^*|_{X^* \cap N^*}$ . Let  $x^* + n^* \in X^* + N^*$ . If  $x^* + n^* = 0$ , then  $n^* = -x^* \in N^* \cap X^*$  and so  $g^*(n^*) = -f^*(x^*)$ . Thus we can define  $\varphi : X^* + N^* \rightarrow M$  by  $\varphi(x^* + n^*) = f^*(x^*) + g^*(n^*)$ . By the maximality of  $(X^*, f^*) \in \Gamma$ ,  $X^* + N^* = X^*$  and so  $N^* \subseteq X^*$ . Hence we see  $X^* = N^* \oplus (X^* \cap N^{**})$ .

As  $M$  is mono- $N^{**}$ -ojective, there exist decompositions  $N^{**} = \overline{N^{**}} \oplus \overline{\overline{N^{**}}}$ ,  $M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}}$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : \overline{N^{**}} \rightarrow \overline{M}$ ,  $g_2 : \overline{\overline{N^{**}}} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{M}}$  such that  $g_1(\overline{n^{**}}) = \overline{m}$  and  $g_2(\overline{\overline{m}}) = \overline{\overline{n^{**}}}$  for any  $y = \overline{n^{**}} + \overline{\overline{m}} \in X^* \cap N^{**}$  and  $f^*(y) = \overline{m} + \overline{\overline{m}}$ .

Define  $\alpha : N^* \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N^{**}}}$  by  $\alpha(n^*) = g_2 p_{\overline{\overline{M}}} g^*(n^*)$ , where  $p_{\overline{\overline{M}}} : M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{M}}$  is the projection. Put  $\rho = p_{\overline{M}} \circ g^* \circ \beta : \langle N^* \xrightarrow{\alpha} \overline{\overline{N^{**}}} \rangle \rightarrow \overline{M}$ , where  $\beta : \langle N^* \xrightarrow{\alpha} \overline{\overline{N^{**}}} \rangle \rightarrow N^*$  is the canonical isomorphism and  $p_{\overline{M}} : M = \overline{M} \oplus \overline{\overline{M}} \rightarrow \overline{M}$  is the projection.

Put  $M_1 = \overline{M}$ ,  $M_2 = \overline{\overline{M}}$ ,  $N_1 = \langle N^* \xrightarrow{\alpha} \overline{\overline{N^{**}}} \rangle \oplus \overline{N^{**}}$ ,  $N_2 = \overline{\overline{N^{**}}}$ ,  $\varphi_2 = g_2$  and define  $\varphi_1 = \rho + g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1$  by  $\varphi_1((n^* - \alpha(n^*)) + \overline{n^{**}}) = p_{\overline{M}}(g^*(n^*)) + g_1(\overline{n^{**}})$ .

For any  $x^* \in X^*$ , we express  $x^*$  in  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$  as  $x^* = n_1 + n_2 = (n^* - \alpha(n^*) + \overline{n^{**}}) + \overline{\overline{n^{**}}}$ . By  $n^* \in X^*$ ,  $f^*(x^*) = f^*(n^*) + f^*(-\alpha(n^*) + \overline{n^{**}} + \overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) =$

$$g^*(n^*) + g_1(\overline{n^{**}}) + g_2^{-1}(-\alpha(n^*)) + g_2^{-1}(\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) = p_{\overline{M}}(g^*(n^*)) + p_{\overline{\overline{M}}}(g^*(n^*)) + g_1(\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) + g_2^{-1}(-g_2 p_{\overline{\overline{M}}} g^*(n^*)) + g_2^{-1}(\overline{\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}}) = p_{\overline{M}}(g^*(n^*)) + g_1(\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) + g_2^{-1}(\overline{\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}}).$$

Put  $m_1 = p_{\overline{M}}(g^*(n^*)) + g_1(\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) \in M_1$  and  $m_2 = g_2^{-1}(\overline{\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}}) \in M_2$ . Then

$$\varphi_1(m_1) = \varphi_1(n^* - \alpha(n^*) + \overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) = p_{\overline{M}}(g^*(n^*)) + g_1(\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}) = m_1$$

and

$$\varphi_2(m_2) = g_2(g_2^{-1}(\overline{\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}})) = \overline{\overline{\overline{n^{**}}}} = n_2.$$

Thus  $M$  is  $N$ -ojective. □

Let  $\{M_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a family of modules. The decomposition  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  is said to be *exchangeable* if, for any direct summand  $X$  of  $M$ , there exists  $\overline{M}_i \subseteq M_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) such that  $M = X \oplus (\bigoplus_{i \in I} \overline{M}_i)$ . A module  $M$  is said to have the (finite) *internal exchange property* if, any (finite) direct sum decomposition  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  of  $M$  is exchangeable.

The following proof is essentially due to [8, Theorem 2.1].

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be extending modules with the finite internal exchange property and put  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $M$  is extending with the finite internal exchange property,
- (2)  $M$  is extending and the decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  is exchangeable,
- (3)  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are mutually relative ojective,
- (4)  $M_1$  is  $M_2$ -ojective and  $M_2$  is essentially  $M_1$ -injective,
- (5)  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are mutually relative essentially injective,  $N_1$  is mono- $N_2$ -ojective for all direct summands  $N_1$  of  $M_1$  and  $N_2$  of  $M_2$ ,
- (6)  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are mutually relative essentially injective,  $N_1$  is weakly mono- $N_2$ -ojective for all direct summands  $N_1$  of  $M_1$  and  $N_2$  of  $M_2$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (2) $\Leftrightarrow$ (3) : By [8, Theorem 2.15].

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4) $\Rightarrow$ (5) : By Proposition 1.2 and Proposition 3.1.

(5) $\Rightarrow$ (6) is clear.

(6) $\Rightarrow$ (2) : Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $M$  and put  $X_i = M_i \cap X$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Since  $M_i$  is extending, there exists the decomposition  $M_i = M'_i \oplus M''_i$  with  $X_i \subseteq_e M''_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Put  $M' = M'_1 \oplus M'_2$  and  $X' = M' \cap X$ . Then  $X \supseteq_e X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X'$  by Lemma 2.2. Define  $f : p_{M'_1}(X') \rightarrow p_{M'_2}(X')$  by  $f(p_{M'_1}(x')) = p_{M'_2}(x')$  and then  $f$  is an isomorphism, where  $p_{M'_i} : M' = M'_1 \oplus M'_2 \rightarrow M'_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) is the projection. As  $M'_i$  is extending, there exists a decomposition  $M'_i = N_i \oplus T_i$  with  $p_{M'_i}(X') \subseteq_e T_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Since  $T_2$  is weakly mono- $T_1$ -ojective, there exist an essential submodule  $Y$  of  $p_{M'_1}(X')$ , the decompositons  $T_i = T'_i \oplus T''_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and monomorphisms  $g_1 : T'_1 \rightarrow T'_2$ ,

$g_2 : T_2' \rightarrow T_1''$  with the condition (\*) for  $Y$ . Then we see

$$\langle Y \xrightarrow{f} f(Y) \rangle \subseteq_e \langle T_1' \xrightarrow{g_1} T_2'' \rangle \oplus \langle T_2' \xrightarrow{g_2} T_1'' \rangle$$

and

$$X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \langle Y \xrightarrow{f} f(Y) \rangle \subseteq_e X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X' \subseteq_e X \cdots (i).$$

Put  $Z = M_1'' \oplus M_2'' \oplus \langle T_1' \xrightarrow{g_1} T_2'' \rangle \oplus \langle T_2' \xrightarrow{g_2} T_1'' \rangle$  and  $Q_i = T_i'' \oplus N_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Then  $M = Z \oplus Q_1 \oplus Q_2$ . For any  $x \in X$ , we express  $x$  in  $M = Z \oplus Q_1 \oplus Q_2$  as  $x = z + q$ , where  $z \in Z$  and  $q \in Q_1 \oplus Q_2$ . By  $X' \cap (Q_1 \oplus Q_2) = 0$  and (i), we define a homomorphism  $\gamma : p_Z(X) \rightarrow p_{Q_1 \oplus Q_2}(X)$  by  $\gamma(z) = q$  and then  $\ker \gamma \subseteq_e p_Z(X)$ . By (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) and Proposition 1.1,  $Q_1 \oplus Q_2$  is essentially  $Z$ -injective and hence there exists a homomorphism  $\gamma^* : Z \rightarrow Q_1 \oplus Q_2$  with  $\gamma^*|_{p_Z(X)} = \gamma$ .

Thus we see

$$X = \langle p_Z(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} p_{Q_1 \oplus Q_2}(X) \rangle \subseteq_e \langle Z \xrightarrow{\gamma^*} Q_1 \oplus Q_2 \rangle$$

and

$$M = \langle Z \xrightarrow{\gamma^*} Q_1 \oplus Q_2 \rangle \oplus Q_1 \oplus Q_2.$$

Therefore  $M$  is extending and the decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  is exchangeable.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $A$  be a semisimple module and let  $B$  be an extending module with the finite internal exchange property. If  $A$  is essentially  $B$ -injective, then  $M = A \oplus B$  is extending with the finite internal exchange property.*

Now we consider whether weakly mono-objects are inherited by direct summands, finite direct sums in the case that each module is quasi-continuous.

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $M$  be quasi-continuous and let  $N$  be extending with the finite internal exchange property. If  $M$  is weakly mono- $N$ -jective, then  $M$  is weakly mono- $N'$ -jective for any direct summand  $N' <_{\oplus} N$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $N'$  and let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a monomorphism. As  $N'$  is extending, we can assume that  $X$  is essential in  $N'$ . Since  $M$  is weakly mono- $N$ -jective, there exist an essential submodule  $Y$  of  $X$ , decompositions  $N = N_1 \oplus N_2$ ,  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : N_1 \rightarrow M_1$ ,  $g_2 : N_2 \rightarrow M_2$  with the condition (\*) for  $Y$ . As  $N$  satisfies the finite internal exchange property, there exists a direct summand  $\overline{N}_i$  of  $N_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) such that  $N = N' \oplus \overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2$ . Let  $N_i = \overline{N}_i \oplus \overline{N}_i$ . Define  $\alpha : \overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2 = p_{\overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2}(N') \rightarrow p_{\overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2}(N')$  by  $\alpha(p_{\overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2}(n')) = p_{\overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2}(n')$  for any  $n' \in N'$ . Put  $\alpha_i = \alpha|_{\overline{N}_i}$  and  $Q_i = \langle \overline{N}_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i} \overline{N}_1 \oplus \overline{N}_2 \rangle$ . Now define



$\alpha_i^* : \overline{N}_i \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N}}_i$  by  $\alpha_i^*(\overline{n}_i) = p_{\overline{N}_i}(\alpha_i(\overline{n}_i))$  and define  $\beta_i^* : \langle \overline{N}_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_i \rangle \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N}}_j$  by  $\beta_i^*(\overline{n}_i - \alpha_i^*(\overline{n}_i)) = p_{\overline{N}_j} \alpha_i(\overline{n}_i)$  for  $i \neq j$ . Then we see

$$Q_i = \langle \langle \overline{N}_i \xrightarrow{\alpha_i^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_i \rangle \xrightarrow{\beta_i^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_j \rangle \quad (i, j = 1, 2, \quad i \neq j).$$

Since  $M$  is extending, there exists a direct summand  $M'_1$  of  $M_1$  such that  $g_1(\langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle) \subseteq_e M'_1$ . By  $Y \subseteq_e N' = Q_1 \oplus Q_2$ , we see  $Q_i \cap Y \subseteq_e Q_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). For  $x_1 \in Q_1 \cap Y$ , we express  $x_1$  in  $\langle \langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle \xrightarrow{\beta_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle$  as  $x_1 = n_1 - \beta_1^*(n_1)$ , where  $n_1 \in \langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle$ . Then  $g_1(n_1) = 0$  imply  $g_2^{-1}(\beta_1^*(n_1)) = 0$ , since  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are monomorphisms. Hence the natural map  $\gamma_1 : g_1(\langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle) \rightarrow g_2^{-1}(\beta_1^*(\langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle))$  is a homomorphism. Since  $M$  is quasi-continuous,  $M_2$  is  $M'_1$ -injective. So there exists a homomorphism  $\gamma_1^* : M'_1 \rightarrow M_2$  such that  $\gamma_1^*|_{g_1(\langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle)} = \gamma_1$ .

Now we put  $\varphi_1 = \epsilon_2 g_1 \epsilon_1 : Q_1 = \langle \langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle \xrightarrow{\beta_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle M'_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma_1^*} M_2 \rangle$ , where  $\epsilon_1 : Q_1 \rightarrow \langle \overline{N}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle$  and  $\epsilon_2 : M'_1 \rightarrow \langle M'_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma_1^*} M_2 \rangle$  are canonical isomorphisms.

Then, for any  $x_1 = n_1 - \beta_1^*(n_1) \in Q_1 \cap Y$ ,  $\varphi_1(x_1) = \epsilon_2 g_1 \epsilon_1(x_1) = \epsilon_2 g_1(n_1) = g_1(n_1) - \gamma_1^* g_1(n_1) = g_1(n_1) - \gamma_1 g_1(n_1) = g_1(n_1) - g_2^{-1}(\beta_1^*(n_1)) = f(x_1)$ .

Thus  $\varphi_1$  is a monomorphism with  $\varphi_1|_{Q_1 \cap Y} = f|_{Q_1 \cap Y}$ .

On the other hand, by  $p_{N_2}(Q_2 \cap Y) \subseteq_e M'_2$ , there exists a direct summand  $M'_2$  of  $M_2$  with  $g_2^{-1}(p_{N_2}(Q_2 \cap Y)) \subseteq_e M'_2$ . Let  $\pi : N_2 = \langle \overline{N}_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle \oplus \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rightarrow \langle \overline{N}_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle$  be the projection and put  $\gamma_2^* = g_1 \beta_2^* \pi (g_2|_{M'_2}) : M'_2 \rightarrow M_1$ . For  $x_2 \in Q_2 \cap Y$ , we express  $x_2$  in  $\langle \langle \overline{N}_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\beta_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_1 \rangle$  as  $x_2 = n_2 - \beta_2^*(n_2)$ , where  $n_2 \in \langle \overline{N}_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle$ . Then  $f(x_2) = f(n_2 - \beta_2^*(n_2)) = g_2^{-1}(n_2) - g_1(\beta_2^*(n_2))$ . By  $n_2 \in p_{N_2}(Q_2 \cap Y)$ , we see  $g_2^{-1}(n_2) \in M'_2$ . Hence  $\gamma_2^*(g_2^{-1}(n_2)) = g_1 \beta_2^* \pi (g_2(g_2^{-1}(n_2))) = g_1 \beta_2^*(n_2)$  and so  $f(x_2) = g_2^{-1}(n_2) - \gamma_2^*(g_2^{-1}(n_2))$ . Thus  $f(Q_2 \cap Y) \subseteq_e \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle$ . By  $g_2^{-1}(p_{N_2}(Q_2 \cap Y)) \subseteq_e M'_2$ , we see  $f(Q_2 \cap Y) \subseteq_e \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle$ . Now we put  $\varphi_2 = \epsilon_4 \pi g_2 \epsilon_3 : \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle \rightarrow Q_2$ , where  $\epsilon_3 : \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle \rightarrow M'_2$  and  $\epsilon_4 : \langle \overline{N}_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2^*} \overline{\overline{N}}_2 \rangle \rightarrow Q_2$  are canonical isomorphisms. Then  $\varphi_2|_{f(Q_2 \cap Y)} = f^{-1}|_{f(Q_2 \cap Y)}$ .

By  $g_2^{-1}(p_{N_2}(Q_2 \cap Y)) \subseteq_e M'_2$ ,  $\pi|_{g_2(M'_2)}$  is a monomorphism and so  $\varphi_2$  is a monomorphism.

Since  $f$  is a monomorphism, we see

$$\langle M'_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma_1^*} M_2 \rangle \cap \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle = 0$$

by  $(Q_1 \cap Y) \cap (Q_2 \cap Y) = 0$  and  $f(Q_i \cap Y) \subseteq_e \langle M'_i \xrightarrow{\gamma_i^*} M_j \rangle$  ( $i, j = 1, 2, i \neq j$ ). As  $M$  is quasi-continuous,

$$\langle M'_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma_1^*} M_2 \rangle \oplus \langle M'_2 \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^*} M_1 \rangle <_{\oplus} M.$$

Thus  $M$  is weakly mono- $N'$ -ojective.  $\square$

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be quasi-continuous and let  $M$  be weakly mono- $N$ -ojective. Since weakly mono-ojectivity is symmetric,  $M'$  is weakly mono- $N'$ -ojective for any direct summands  $N' <_{\oplus} N$  and  $M' <_{\oplus} M$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $M$  be a quasi-continuous module and let  $N = N_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus N_t$  be an extending module with the finite internal exchange property. If  $M$  is weakly mono- $N_i$ -ojective for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, t\}$ , then  $M$  is weakly mono- $N$ -ojective.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $N$ , let  $f : X \rightarrow M$  be a monomorphism and put  $F = \{1, \dots, t\}$ . Since  $N$  is extending with the finite internal exchange property, there exists a direct summand  $X^*$  of  $N$  such that  $X \subseteq_e X^*$  and  $N = X^* \oplus N_1'' \oplus \cdots \oplus N_t''$ , where  $N_i = N_i' \oplus N_i''$  ( $i \in F$ ). Hence there exists an isomorphism  $\alpha : N_1' \oplus \cdots \oplus N_t' \rightarrow X^*$ . Put  $X_i^* = \alpha(N_i')$  and  $X_i = X_i^* \cap X$  for any  $i \in F$ . Then we see  $X_i \subseteq_e X_i^*$ .

By Proposition 3.5,  $M$  is weakly mono- $X_i^*$ -ojective for any  $i \in F$  and so there exist an essential submodule  $Y_i$  of  $X_i$ , decompositions  $X_i^* = \overline{X_i^*} \oplus \overline{\overline{X_i^*}}$ ,  $M = \overline{M_i} \oplus \overline{\overline{M_i}}$  and monomorphisms  $g_i : \overline{X_i^*} \rightarrow \overline{M_i}$ ,  $h_i : \overline{\overline{M_i}} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{X_i^*}}$  with the condition (\*) for  $Y_i$ .

As  $\overline{M_i}$  is extending, there exists a direct summand  $K_i$  of  $\overline{M_i}$  with  $g_i(\overline{X_i^*}) \subseteq_e K_i$ . Since  $g_i$  and  $h_i$  are monomorphisms and  $Y_i \subseteq_e X_i^*$ , we see  $f(Y_i) \subseteq_e K_i \oplus \overline{\overline{M_i}}$ . Hence  $(K_i \oplus \overline{\overline{M_i}}) \cap (K_j \oplus \overline{\overline{M_j}}) = 0$  for any  $i \neq j$ . As  $M$  is quasi-continuous, there exists a direct summand  $T$  of  $M$  such that  $M = T \oplus K_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus K_t \oplus \overline{\overline{M_1}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{\overline{M_t}}$ .

Put  $\overline{N} = \overline{X_1^*} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{X_t^*}$ ,  $\overline{\overline{N}} = \overline{\overline{X_1^*}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{\overline{X_t^*}} \oplus N_1'' \oplus \cdots \oplus N_t''$ ,  $\overline{M} = K_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus K_t \oplus T$  and  $\overline{\overline{M}} = \overline{\overline{M_1}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{\overline{M_t}}$ . Then,  $g = g_1 + \cdots + g_t : \overline{N} \rightarrow \overline{M}$  and  $h = h_1 + \cdots + h_t : \overline{\overline{M}} \rightarrow \overline{\overline{N}}$  are monomorphisms that satisfy the condition (\*) for  $X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_t$ . Thus  $M$  is weakly mono- $N$ -ojective.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $N$  be quasi-continuous and let  $M = M_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus M_t$  be extending with the finite internal exchange property. If  $M_i$  is weakly mono- $N$ -ojective for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, t\}$ , then  $M$  is weakly mono- $N$ -ojective.*

**Theorem 3.8.** (cf. [8].) *Let  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  be quasi-continuous modules and put  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  *$M$  is extending with the finite internal exchange property,*
- (2)  *$M$  is extending and the decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$  is exchangeable,*
- (3)  *$M_i$  is mono- $M_j$ -ojective and essentially  $M_j$ -injective for  $i \neq j$ ,*
- (4)  *$M_i$  is weakly mono- $M_j$ -ojective and essentially  $M_j$ -injective for  $i \neq j$ .*

*Proof.* By [8, Theorem 2.15], (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) holds.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) holds by Theorems 3.2 and 3.3.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) is clear.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : By Theorem 3.3 and Proposition 3.5, the statement holds for  $n = 2$ .

Assume that the statement holds for  $n = k$  ( $k \geq 2$ ), and consider the case  $n = k + 1$  ;  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k \oplus M_{k+1}$ . Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $M$  and put  $M^* = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k$ ,  $X^* = M^* \cap X$ ,  $X_{k+1} = M_{k+1} \cap X$ . By assumption, there exists a decomposition  $M^* = T \oplus M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k$  such that  $X^* \subseteq_e T$  and  $M'_i \subseteq M_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ). As  $M_{k+1}$  is extending, there exists a decomposition  $M_{k+1} = M'_{k+1} \oplus M''_{k+1}$  with  $X_{k+1} \subseteq_e M''_{k+1}$ . Put  $M' = M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k \oplus M'_{k+1}$  and  $X' = M' \cap X$ . By Lemma 2.2, we see

$$X \supseteq_e X^* \oplus X_{k+1} \oplus X' \quad \dots (i).$$

Let  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  be the projections :  $M' \rightarrow M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k$ ,  $M' \rightarrow M'_{k+1}$ , respectively. As  $(M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k) \cap X' = M'_{k+1} \cap X' = 0$ , the canonical map  $f : p_1(X') \rightarrow p_2(X')$  given by  $p_1(x') \rightarrow p_2(x')$  is an isomorphism.

Since  $M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k$  and  $M'_{k+1}$  are extending with the finite internal exchange property, there exist decompositions  $M'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M'_k = A \oplus A'$ ,  $M'_{k+1} = B \oplus B'$  with  $p_1(X') \subseteq_e A$ ,  $p_2(X') \subseteq_e B$ , respectively. By Propositions 3.5, 3.6,  $B$  is weakly mono- $A$ -ojective. Hence there exist an essential submodule  $Y$  of  $p_1(X')$ , decompositions  $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$ ,  $B = B_1 \oplus B_2$  and monomorphisms  $g_1 : A_1 \rightarrow B_1$ ,  $g_2 : B_2 \rightarrow A_2$  with the condition (\*) for  $Y$ . Thus we see

$$\langle Y \xrightarrow{f} f(Y) \rangle \subseteq_e \langle A_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} B_1 \rangle \oplus \langle B_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} A_2 \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle Y \xrightarrow{f} f(Y) \rangle \subseteq_e X'.$$

Put  $Z = T \oplus M''_{k+1} \oplus \langle A_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} B_1 \rangle \oplus \langle B_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} A_2 \rangle$ ,  $\overline{A} = A_2 \oplus A'$  and  $\overline{M}_{k+1} = B_1 \oplus B'$ . Let  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  be the projections :  $M = Z \oplus \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M}_{k+1} \rightarrow Z$ ,  $M \rightarrow \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M}_{k+1}$ , respectively. By (i), the natural map

$$\varphi : q_1(X) \rightarrow q_2(X) \quad \text{via} \quad \varphi : q_1(x) \mapsto q_2(x)$$

is a homomorphism with  $\ker \varphi \subseteq_e q_1(X)$ .

By Theorem 3.3 (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) and Proposition 1.1,  $\overline{A} \oplus \overline{M}_{k+1}$  is essentially  $Z$ -injective and hence there exists a homomorphism  $\varphi^* : Z \rightarrow \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M}_{k+1}$

with  $\varphi^*|_{q_1(X)} = \varphi$ . Thus we obtain

$$X = \langle q_1(X) \xrightarrow{\varphi} q_2(X) \rangle \subseteq_e \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle$$

and

$$M = \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}.$$

Finally, we show that there exists a submodule  $\overline{M}_i$  of  $M_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ) such that  $M = \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \overline{M}_k \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}$ . By  $\overline{A} \subseteq M^* = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k$ ,

$$M^* = \overline{A} \oplus (\langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}) \cap M^* \quad \dots \quad (ii).$$

Since the decomposition  $M^* = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k$  is exchangeable, there exists a submodule  $\overline{M}_i$  of  $M_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ) such that

$$M^* = \overline{M}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \overline{M}_k \oplus (\langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}) \cap M^* \quad \dots \quad (iii).$$

By (ii) and (iii),  $\overline{A} = \langle \overline{M}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \overline{M}_k \rightarrow (\langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}) \cap M^* \rangle$ . Thus we see

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \\ &= \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \langle \overline{M}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \overline{M}_k \rightarrow \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \\ &\quad \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \\ &= \langle Z \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}} \rangle \oplus \overline{M}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \overline{M}_k \oplus \overline{M_{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $M$  is extending and the decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k \oplus M_{k+1}$  is exchangeable. □

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