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# MULTIPLICATION DEDEKIND MODULES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we give some properties on multiplication Dedekind modules.

# 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper all rings will be commutative with identity and all modules will be unitary. Let M be an R-module, S the set of nonzero divisors of R and  $R_S$  the total quotient ring of R. For a nonzero ideal I of R, let  $I^{-1} = \{x \in R_S | xI \subseteq R\}$ . I is said to be an *invertible ideal* of R if  $II^{-1} = R$ . Put  $T = \{t \in S | tm = 0 \text{ for some } m \in M \text{ implies} \}$ m = 0. Then T is a multiplicatively closed subset of S and if M is torsion free, then T = S [8, Proposition 1.1]. An R module M is said to be *faithful* if Ann M =  $[0:_R M] = 0$ . In particular, if M is a faithful multiplication module then M is torsion free by [3, Lemma 4.1] and so T = S. So in this case,  $R_T = R_S$ . Let N be a submodule of M. If  $x = \frac{r}{t} \in R_T$  and  $n \in N$ , then we say that  $xn \in M$  if there exists  $m \in M$ such that tm = rn. Then this is a well defined operation [8, p.399]. For a submodule N of M,  $N^{-1} = \{x \in R_T | xN \subseteq M\} = [M :_{R_T} N]$ . We say that N is *invertible* in M if  $NN^{-1} = M$  and M is called a *Dedekind* module providing that every nonzero submodule of M is invertible. An *R*-module *M* is said to be a  $D_1$ -module if non zero cyclic submodule of M is invertible. It is clear that every Dedekind module is a  $D_1$ -module.

An *R*-module *M* is called a *multiplication module* if every submodule *N* of *M* has the form *IM* for some ideal *I* of *R*. Note that  $I \subseteq (N : M)$  and hence  $N = IM \subseteq (N : M)M \subseteq N$ , so that N = (N : M)M. A proper submodule *N* of an *R*-module *M* is called *prime* if whenever  $rm \in N$  for some  $r \in R$  and  $m \in M$ , then  $m \in N$  or  $rM \subseteq N$ . An *R*-module

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M is called *cancellation* if for ideals I and J of R, IM = JM implies I = J [7]. Finitely generated faithful multiplication modules are cancellation [9, Corollary to Theorem 9]. In particular, faithful multiplication module over an integral domain is cancellation [5, Theorem 3.1].

In this paper we first extend Chisenese Remainder Theorem in ring theory to modules under some conditions and give some properties. Also, we define the product of submodules of a multiplication module and will give characterizations of faithful multiplication Dedekind modules.

### 2. Chinese Remainder Theorem in Module

In this section we extend Chinese Reminder Theorem in Ring to module. We begin with the following Lemma.

**Lemma.** Let  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  be ideals of a ring R and M an R-module. Let  $\phi: M \longrightarrow M/I_1M \bigoplus \dots \bigoplus M/I_nM$  be given by  $\phi(m) = (\phi_1(m), \dots, \phi_n(m))$ , where  $\phi_i: M \longrightarrow M/I_iM$  is the natural R-module homomorphism. Then,

(1) If  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  are comaximal then  $\phi$  is surjective.

(2) If M is cancellation and  $\phi$  is surjective then  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  are comaximal.

(3)  $\phi$  is injective if and only if  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} I_i M = 0$ .

(4) If M is cancellation then  $\phi$  is bijective if and only if  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} I_i M = 0$ and  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  are comaximal.

Proof. (1) If n = 1, then it is clear. For n = 2, let  $\phi : M \longrightarrow M/I_1M \bigoplus M/I_2M$ . Let  $(\overline{m_1}, \overline{m_2}) \in M/I_1M \bigoplus M/I_2M$ . Since  $I_1 + I_2 = R$ , there exist  $e_1 \in I_1, e_2 \in I_2$  such that  $e_1 + e_2 = 1$ . Put  $m = e_1m_2 + e_2m_1$ . Then  $\phi_1(m) = \overline{e_1m_2 + e_2m_1} = \overline{e_2m_1} = \overline{(1-e_1)m_1} = \overline{m_1}$ . Similarly  $\phi_2(m) = \overline{m_2}$ . Hence there exist  $m \in M$  such that  $\phi(m) = (\phi_1(m), \phi_2(m)) = (\overline{m_1}, \overline{m_2})$  and  $\phi$  is surjective.

Assume that we have proved the result for  $n = 1, \dots, k - 1$ .

 $R = R^{k-1} = (I_k + I_1)(I_k + I_2) \cdots (I_k + I_{k-1}) \subseteq I_k + I_1 \cdots I_{k-1} \subseteq I_k + \bigcap_{i=1}^{k-1} I_i. \text{ So } R = I_k + \bigcap_{i=1}^{k-1} I_i. \text{ So there exist } y \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{k-1} I_i \text{ and } z \in I_k \text{ such that } 1 = y + z.$ 

For any element  $(\overline{m_1}, \cdots, \overline{m_{k-1}}, \overline{m_k}) \in M/I_1M \bigoplus \cdots \bigoplus M/I_kM$ , there exists  $m \in M$  such that  $\phi_i(m) = \overline{m_i}$  for  $i = 1, \cdots, k-1$ . Now let  $n = zm + ym_k$ . Then  $\phi_k(n) = zm + ym_k + I_kM = ym_k + I_kM = (1-z)m_k + I_kM = \overline{m_k}$ 

For  $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$ ,  $\phi_i(n) = n + I_i M = zm + ym_k + I_i M = (1 - y)m + I_i M = m + I_i M = \phi_i(m) = \overline{m_i}$ .

Hence  $\phi(n) = (\phi_1(n), \dots, \phi_{k-1}(n), \phi_k(n)) = (\overline{m_1}, \dots, \overline{m_k})$ . So we complete our induction.

(2) Suppose that M is cancellation and  $\phi$  is surjective. Then we can assume that a map  $\phi_{ij} : M \longrightarrow M/I_iM \bigoplus M/I_jM$  defined by  $\phi_{ij}(m) = (\phi_i(m), \phi_j(m))$  is surjective where  $1 \le i \ne j \le n$ . Let m be any element in M. Since  $\phi_{ij}$  is surjective, there exist  $m_i \in M, m_j \in M$  such that  $\phi_{ij}(m_i) = (\phi_i(m_i), \phi_j(m_i)) = (m + I_iM, 0 + I_jM)$  and  $\phi_{ij}(m_j) = (\phi_i(m_j), \phi_j(m_j)) = (0 + I_iM, m + I_jM)$ .

Here we get  $m + I_i M = \phi_i(m_i) = m_i + I_i M$  and  $0 + I_j M = \phi_j(m_i) = m_i + I_j M$ . Also we have  $0 + I_i M = \phi_i(m_j) = m_j + I_i M, m + I_j M = \phi_j(m_j) = m_j + I_j M$ , Hence  $m - m_i \in I_i M, m - m_j \in I_j M, m_i \in I_j M$  and  $m_j \in I_i M$ .

Therefore,  $\phi_{ij}(m - (m_i + m_j)) = \phi_{ij}(m) - (\phi_{ij}(m_i) + \phi_{ij}(m_j)) = (m + I_i M, m + I_j M) - (m + I_i M, m + I_j M) = (\overline{0}, \overline{0}).$ 

Hence  $m - (m_i + m_j) \in Ker\phi_{ij} = I_i M \bigcap I_j M \subseteq I_i M + I_j M$  since  $m - m_i \in I_i M$ ,  $m - m_j \in I_j M, m_i \in I_j M$  and  $m_j \in I_i M$ .

Moreover since  $m_i + m_j \in I_jM + I_iM$ ,  $m \in I_iM + I_jM$ . So  $M = I_iM + I_jM$ . Now we get  $R = I_i + I_j$  from the condition that M is cancellation.

(3) and (4) are trivial since  $ker\phi = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} I_i M$ .

Compare the following theorem with [4, Theorem 2.11].

**Theorem 2.1.** Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication module over R and let  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  be ideals of R. Let  $\phi : M \longrightarrow M/I_1M \bigoplus \dots \bigoplus M/I_nM$  be given by  $\phi(m) = (\phi_1(m), \dots, \phi_n(m))$ , where  $\phi_i : M \longrightarrow M/I_iM$  is the natural R-module homomorphism. Then,

(1)  $\phi$  is surjective if and only if  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  are comaximal.

(2)  $\phi$  is injective if and only if  $I_1 \bigcap \cdots \bigcap I_n = 0$ .

(3)  $\phi$  is bijective if and only if  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} I_i = 0$  and  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  are comaximal.

*Proof.* Since M is a faithful multiplication module over a domain, M is finitely generated [5, Theorem 3.1] and hence M is cancellation [9, Corollary to Theorem 9].

(1) It follows from Lemma (1) and (2).

(2) By [3, Theorem 1.6] we know that  $I_1 M \cap \cdots \cap I_n M = (I_1 \cap \cdots \cap I_n) M$ .

Hence  $\phi$  is injective if and only if  $0 = I_1 M \bigcap \cdots \bigcap I_n M$ .

From fact that M is cancellation, we know that  $0 = (I_1 \cap \cdots \cap I_n)M$ if and only if  $0 = I_1 \cap \cdots \cap I_n$ .

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**Corollary 2.2.** Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R-module and let  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  be comaximal ideals of R. Then  $M/I_1M \cap \dots \cap I_nM \cong M/I_1M \bigoplus \dots \bigoplus M/I_nM$ .

# 3. Multiplication Dedekind Modules

In this section we define the product of submodules in module and find some characterizations of faithful multiplication Dedekind modules.

**Definition 3.1.** Let M be a module over a ring R and N be a submodule of M such that N = IM for some ideal of R. Then we say that I is a presentation ideal of N. Let N = IM and K = JM for some ideals I and J of R. The product of N and K, NK, is defined by IJM.

Note that it is possible that for a submodule N no such presentation exist. For example, if V is a vector space over any field with subspace  $W(\neq 0, \neq V)$ , then W has not any presentation. Clearly, every submodule of M has a presentation ideal if and only if M is a multiplication module. Also, the product of N and K is independent of presentation ideals of N and K and so, the product of submodules of multiplication module is well defined [2, Theorem 3.4]. Clearly, NK is a submodule of M and  $NK \subseteq N \bigcap K$ .

Now we generalize a well known property about Dedekind domain using the product of submodules in multiplication module. Compare the following Theorem with [6, Theorem 15, p.731].

**Theorem 3.2.** Let M be a faithful multiplication module over a domain R. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

(1) M is a Dedekind module.

(2) Every nonzero proper submodule of M can be expressed as a finite product of prime submodules.

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $N(\neq 0)$  be a proper submodule of M. Since M is a multiplication module, there exists an ideal I of R such that N = IM and  $I(\neq 0)$  is proper. R is a Dedekind domain [8, Theorem 3.5],  $I = \mathfrak{p}_1^{r_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_s^{r_s}$  for some prime ideals  $\mathfrak{p}_i$  of R [6, Theorem 15, p.731]. Hence  $N = IM = \mathfrak{p}_1^{r_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_s^{r_s}M = (\mathfrak{p}_1 M)^{r_1} \cdots (\mathfrak{p}_s M)^{r_s}$  and  $\mathfrak{p}_i M$  is a prime submodules of M [3, Corollary 2.11].

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let  $I \neq 0$  be any proper ideal of R. Then  $IM(\neq 0)$  is a proper submodule of M since M is a cancellation module [5, Theorem 3.1].  $IM = P_1^{k_1} \cdots P_n^{k_n}$  where  $P_i$  is a prime submodule of M and  $k_i \geq 1$ . Here  $\mathfrak{p}_i = (P_i : M)$  is a prime ideal of R [3, Corollary 2.3]. Since M is a

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multiplication module,  $P_i^{k_i} = [(P_i : M)M]^{k_i} = (P_i : M)^{k_i}M$ . So  $IM = (P_1 : M)^{k_1} \cdots (P_n : M)^{k_n}M$ . From the fact that M is a cancellation module,  $I = \mathfrak{p}_1^{k_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_n^{k_n}$  and hence R is a Dedekind Domain [6, Theorem 15, p.731] and M is a Dedekind Module [8, Theorem 3.4].

**Proposition 3.3.** If M is a multiplication Dedekind module over a ring R then M is finitely generated.

*Proof.* Since M is Dedekind, M is  $D_1$ -module and hence R/annM is an integral domain [8, Corollary 2.2]. Hence R is an integral domain and M is finitely generated [5, Theorem 3.1].

An R-module M is cyclic submodule module , CSM, if every submodule of M is cyclic. So M is a cyclic.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let M be a faithful multiplication Dedekind module over a ring R. For nonzero comaximal ideals  $I_1 \cdots I_n$  of R,  $M/I_1M \bigoplus \cdots \bigoplus M/I_nM$  is a CSM.

Proof. Since R is an integral domain [8, Corollary 2.2],  $I_1 \cdots I_n \neq 0$ .  $(I_1 \cdots I_n)M = (I_1 \bigcap \cdots \bigcap I_n)M = I_1M \bigcap \cdots \bigcap I_nM$  [3, Theorem 1.6] and  $M/I_1M \bigcap \cdots \bigcap I_nM \cong M/I_1M \bigoplus \cdots \bigoplus M/I_nM$  by Corollary 2.2. Since M is a cancellation module,  $(I_1 \cdots I_n)M \neq 0$  and hence  $M/I_1 \cdots$ 

 $I_n M$  is a CSM [1, Corollary 2.9].

Therefore  $M/I_1M \cap \cdots \cap M/I_nM \cong M/I_1M \oplus \cdots \oplus M/I_nM$  is a CSM.

A submodule P of an R-module M is called *indecomposable* if for all ideals I of R and submodules N of M, P = IN implies that P = N or P = IM.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let M be a faithful multiplication Dedekind module over a ring R and P a proper submodule of M. Then P is prime if and only if P is indecomposable.

*Proof.* Assume that P is not indecomposable submodule of M. Then there exist an ideal I of R and a submodule N of M such that  $P = IN, P \neq N$  and  $P \neq IM$ . So there exist  $n \in N - P$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} r_i m_i \in IM - P$ . Here  $r_i \in I, m_i \in M$ . Hence there exist  $k \ (1 \leq k \leq s)$  such that  $r_k m_k \notin P$ . Then  $r_k n \in IN = P, r_k \notin (P:M)$  and  $n \notin P$ . This means that P is not prime. Conversely, suppose that P is indecomposable. By our assumption, R is an integral domain [8, Corollary 2.2]. If P = 0 then P = 0M for a prime ideal 0 of R and hence P is prime. Let  $P \neq 0$ . By Theorem 3.2,  $P = P_1^{r_1} \cdots P_s^{r_s}$  where  $P_i$  is a prime submodule of M. Put Yong Hwan Cho

 $\mathfrak{p}_i = (P_i : M)$ . Then  $P_i = (P_i : M)M = \mathfrak{p}_i M$ . Hence  $P = \mathfrak{p}_1^{r_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_n^{r_n} M$ where  $r_i \geq 1$  and  $\mathfrak{p}_i$  is a prime ideal of R [3, Corollary 2.11]. Since  $P = (\mathfrak{p}_1^{r_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_n^{r_n-1})(\mathfrak{p}_n M)$  and P is indecomposable,  $P = \mathfrak{p}_n M$  which is prime [3, Corollary 2.11] or  $P = \mathfrak{p}_1^{r_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_n^{r_n-1} M$ . If we continue this process then we conclude that P is prime.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.6.** Let M be a faithful multiplication Dedekind module over a ring R. Then any non zero submodule N of M is finitely generated faithful multiplication.

*Proof.* N is invertible and M is finitely generated by [5, Theorem 3.1] and [8, Corollary 2.2]. The result comes from [1, Proposition 1.1].  $\Box$ 

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