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## Definability of the class of SAS-flat modules

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#### Abstract

Let R be a ring. We study the definability of the class of SAS-flat right R-modules. Moreover, we give many properties and characterizations of the definability of this class.

### 1 Introduction

All modules in this paper are unital R-modules, where R stands for an associative ring with unity. We denote the category of all right (resp. left) R-modules by Mod-R (resp. R-Mod). A module N is called semiartinian if  $\operatorname{soc}(N/K)$  is nonzero, for any proper submodule K of a module N. A submodule L of a module K is called small of K if L + B = K, where B is a submodule of K implies B = K [1]. The notation  $A \leq^{\operatorname{sas}} C$  is used for a semiartinian small submodule of C. As usual,  $M^* = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ . A class  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \operatorname{Mod-} R$  is called definable if it is closed under direct products, pure submodules and direct limits (see for example [2]). A pair  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ , where  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq$ Mod-R (resp.  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq R$ -Mod), is called almost dual pair if for any  $M \in \operatorname{Mod-} R$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{F} \Leftrightarrow M^* \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  is closed under direct products and summands [2]. In module theory, injectivity and flatness for modules play important

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AMS (MOS) Subject Classifications: 16D40, 16D50, 16D10, 13C11. ISSN 1814-0432, 2024, http://ijmcs.future-in-tech.net roles. Many generalizations of injectivity and flatness of modules appeared in the literature (for example see, [2], [3], [4], [5], [6], [7], [8], and [9]. In [3], the concept of SAS-K-injectivity was introduced, where a module C is called SAS-K-injective (where  $K \in R$ -Mod) if every left R-homomorphism from any  $A \leq^{sas} K$  into C extends to K. C is called SAS-injective, when C is SAS-R-injective. In [10], the concept of SAS-N-flat (resp. SAS-flat) modules were introduced as a proper generalization of N-flat (resp. flat) module. Let  $C \in Mod$ -R. Then C is called SAS-N-flat (where  $N \in R$ -Mod) if, for every  $A \leq^{sas} N$ , the sequence  $0 \to C \otimes_R A \stackrel{I_C \otimes i_A}{\longrightarrow} C \otimes_R N$  is exact. If a module C is SAS-R-flat, then C is called SAS-flat. We use SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  (resp. SAS-N- $\mathbb{I}$ , SAS- $\mathbb{F}$ , SAS- $\mathbb{I}$ ,  $\mathbb{I}$ nj,  $\mathbb{P}$ roj,  $\mathbb{F}$ lat) to denote the class of SAS-N-flat right (resp. SAS-N-injective left, SAS-flat right, SAS-injective left, injective left, projective right, flat right) R-modules. The brief symbol c.u.d.p. (resp. c.u.p.s.) stands for a class  $\mathcal{F}$  means  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under direct products (resp. pure submodules).

In this paper, we study the definability of the classes SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  (resp. SAS- $\mathbb{F}$ ). Moreover, we give many characterizations and properties of the definability of these two classes. For instance, we show that if N is finitely presented, then SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class  $\Leftrightarrow R^I$  is SAS-N-flat, for each index  $I \Leftrightarrow$  every finitely generated semiartinian small submodule of N is finitely presented  $\Leftrightarrow$  (SAS-N- $\mathbb{I}$ )\*  $\subseteq$ SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$ . Furthermore, we show that if a ring R is commutative, SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is definable over R, and SAS- $\mathbb{I}$  is c.u.p.s., then R is SAS-injective  $\Leftrightarrow$  Hom<sub>R</sub> $(K, L) \in$ SAS- $\mathbb{I}$  for any flat (resp. projective) module L (resp. K).

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**Proposition 2.1.** The pair  $(SAS-N-\mathbb{F}, SAS-N-\mathbb{I})$  is an almost dual pair.

*Proof.* The proof follows immediately from [11, Theorem 2.3(1)] and [10, Theorem 2.3].  $\Box$ 

The proof of the next corollary follows directly from Proposition 2.1 and [12, Proposition 4.2.8(1,3)].

**Corollary 2.2.** The class SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  is closed under direct limits, direct sums, pure submodules, pure extensions and pure homomorphic images.

We can easily prove the next result.

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**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $A, B \in R$ -Mod. If B is projective and A is SAS-Binjective, then  $Ext^1(B/K, A) = 0$ , for all  $K \leq^{sas} B$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $N \in R$ -Mod. Consider the following conditions for SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$ .

(1) SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class.

(2) SAS-N- $\mathbb{F}$  is c.u.d.p.

(3)  $R^{I} \in SAS-N-\mathbb{F}$ , for each index I.

(4) All finitely generated semiartinian small submodules of N are finitely presented.

(5)  $(SAS-N-\mathbb{I})^* \subseteq SAS-N-\mathbb{F}.$ 

(6)  $(SAS-N-\mathbb{I})^{**} \subseteq SAS-N-\mathbb{I}.$ 

(7)  $(SAS-N-\mathbb{F})^{**} \subseteq SAS-N-\mathbb{F}.$ 

Then  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (7), (5) \Leftrightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (7)$  and  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . If N is a finitely presented module, then  $(3) \Rightarrow (4)$ . Moreover, the seven statements are equivalent, if N is a finitely generated free module.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (7)$ . These follow from Proposition 2.1 and [12, Proposition 4.3.1].

 $(5) \Leftrightarrow (6)$ . This follows from Proposition 2.1 and [12, Theorem 4.3.2].

(6)⇒(7). Let  $U \in SAS-N$ -F. Then [10, Theorem 2.3] implies that,  $U^* \in SAS-N$ -I. By (6),  $U^{***} \in SAS-N$ -I. By [10, Theorem 2.3],  $U^{**} \in SAS-N$ -F. Hence (SAS-N-F)<sup>\*\*</sup>  $\in SAS-N$ -F.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . This is clear.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4). Suppose that N is a finitely presented module. Let K be finitely generated with  $K \leq^{sas} N$ . By (3),  $\prod R = R^I \in SAS-N$ -F. By [13, Theorem 3.2.22, p. 81], K is finitely presented.

 $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$ . Suppose that N is a finitely generated free module. Let  $D \in SAS-N$ -I and let L be finitely generated with  $L \leq^{sas} N$ . By Lemma 2.3,

 $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}(N/L, D) = 0$ . By (4), L is finitely presented and thus the sequence

 $B_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} B_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} N \xrightarrow{\pi} N/L \to 0$  is exact, where  $\alpha = if_1$ . Thus N/L is 2-presented and hence by [14, Lemma 2.7],  $\operatorname{Tor}_1(N/L, D^*) \cong (\operatorname{Ext}^1(N/L, D))^* = 0$ . Therefore,  $D^* \in \operatorname{SAS-N-F}$  and consequently  $(\operatorname{SAS-N-I})^* \subseteq \operatorname{SAS-N-F}$ .  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 2.5.** The following conditions are equivalent for SAS- $\mathbb{F}$ .

(1) SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class.

(2) SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is c.u.d.p.

(3)  $R^{I} \in SAS$ - $\mathbb{F}$ , for each index I.

(4) All finitely generated semiartinian small left ideals of R are finitely presented.

- (5)  $(SAS-\mathbb{I})^* \subseteq SAS-\mathbb{F}$ . (6)  $(SAS-\mathbb{I})^{**} \subseteq SAS-\mathbb{I}$ .
- $(7) (SAS-\mathbb{F})^{**} \subseteq SAS-\mathbb{F}.$

*Proof.* These follow by taking  $N = {}_{R}R$  and applying Proposition 2.4.

**Theorem 2.6.** If a ring R is commutative, then the following conditions are equivalent for SAS- $\mathbb{F}$ .

- (1) SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class.
- (2)  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V) \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ , for every  $D \in SAS-\mathbb{I}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{I}nj$ .
- (3)  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V) \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ , for all  $D, V \in \mathbb{I}nj$ .
- (4)  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V) \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ , for all  $D \in \mathbb{P}$ roj and all  $V \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ .
- (5)  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V) \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ , for all  $D, V \in \mathbb{P}$ roj.

Proof. (1)⇒(2). Let *D* be SAS-injective module and let *V* be injective module. Let  $U \leq^{sas} R$  and let *U* be finitely generated. Since SAS-F is definable, *U* is finitely presented (by Corollary 2.5). Thus the sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R/U, D) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R, D) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(U, D) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^2(R/U, D) = 0$  is exact. Since *V* is injective, the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(D, V) \bigotimes_R U \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(D, V) \bigotimes_R R \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(D, V) \bigotimes_R (R/U) \rightarrow 0$  by [13, Theorem 3.2.11, p. 78]. So,  $\text{Hom}_R(D, V)$  is SAS-flat (by [10, Corollary 2.7]). (2)⇒(3). Clear.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . For any index set S, we have from [1, Proposition 2.3.4, p. 66] and [14, Theorem 2.75, p. 92] that  $(R^{**})^S \cong (\operatorname{Hom}_R(R^*, R^*))^S$ . By [15, 11.10 (2), p. 87] and injectivity of  $R^*$  and  $(R^*)^S$ , we have  $(R^{**})^S \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(R^*, (R^*)^S) \in$  SAS-F for any index set S. By Corollary 2.2,  $R^S \in SAS$ -F for any index set S. Thus (1) holds by Corollary 2.5.

 $(1) \Rightarrow (4)$ . Let  $D \in \mathbb{P}$ roj and  $V \in SAS-\mathbb{F}$ . Thus  $D \oplus W \cong R^{(S)}$  for some a projective R-module W. So,  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V) \oplus \operatorname{Hom}_R(W, V) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(R^{(S)}, V) \cong (\operatorname{Hom}_R(R, V))^S \cong V^S$  by [15, 11.10 and 11.11, p. 87 and 88]. But  $V^S$  is SAS-flat by (1), thus  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, V)$  is SAS-flat.

$$(4) \Rightarrow (5)$$
. Clear.

 $(5) \Rightarrow (1)$ . By [15, 11.10 and 11.11, pp. 87, 88] and Corollary 2.5.

**Corollary 2.7.** For a commutative ring R, the next statement are equivalent if SAS- $\mathbb{I}$  is c.u.p.s. and SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class.

(1)  $D \in SAS$ -I.

(2)  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(D, W) \in SAS$ - $\mathbb{F}$ , for each  $W \in \mathbb{I}nj$ .

(3)  $D \bigotimes_{B} W \in SAS$ -I, for any  $W \in \mathbb{F}$ lat.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Use Theorem 2.6. (2) $\Rightarrow$ (3). By [15, Theorem 2.75, p. 92],  $(D \otimes_R W)^* \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(D, W^*)$  for every *R*-module *W*. Let *W* be flat. Then  $(D \otimes_R W)^*$  is SAS-flat by (2) and hence [10, Theorem 2.3] implies that  $(D \otimes_R W)^{**}$  is SAS-injective. By hypothesis,  $D \otimes_R W$  is SAS-injective.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . This follows from the hypothesis and [1, Proposition 2.3.4, p. 66].

**Proposition 2.8.** The following conditions are equivalent when SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is a definable class and SAS- $\mathbb{I}$  is c.u.p.s.

(1)  $R_R \in SAS$ - $\mathbb{I}$ .

(2) If  $W \in \mathbb{I}nj$ , then  $W \in SAS$ - $\mathbb{F}$ .

(3) If  $D \in \mathbb{F}$  lat, then  $D \in SAS$ -I.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ . Use [9, Proposition 4.2].

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . This follows from the hypothesis and [10, Theorem 2.3].

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Since  $R_R$  is flat, the proof is obvious.

**Theorem 2.9.** For a commutative ring R, if SAS- $\mathbb{I}$  is c.u.p.s. and SAS- $\mathbb{F}$  is definable, then the following conditions are equivalent: (1)  $R \in SAS-\mathbb{I}$ .

(2) If  $M \in \mathbb{P}$ roj and  $N \in \mathbb{F}$ lat, then  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, N) \in SAS$ -I.

(3) If  $M, N \in \mathbb{P}$ roj, then  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, N) \in SAS$ -I.

(4) If  $M, N \in \mathbb{I}$ nj, then  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(M, N) \in SAS$ -I.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ . This follows from Proposition 2.8 and [15, 11.10 and 11.11, pp. 87-88].

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . Clear.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . By [15, 11.11, p. 88],  $R \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(R, R)$  and hence  $R \in SAS-\mathbb{I}$ .

 $(1) \Rightarrow (4)$ . This follows from [13, Theorem 3.2.1, p. 75], Proposition 2.8, and [11, Proposition 2.7].

 $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Apply [13, Theorem 3.2.1, p. 75], [1, Proposition 2.3.4, p. 66], [14, Theorem 2.75, p. 92], and Proposition 2.8.

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