

## SUPPLEMENTED MORPHISMS

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper, left  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$  are studied under the assumptions that  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is supplemented. It is shown that  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is  $(\oplus, \mathcal{G}^*, \text{amply})$ -supplemented if and only if  $N$  is  $(\oplus, \mathcal{G}^*, \text{amply})$ -supplemented. Some applications to cosemisimple modules, refinable modules and UCC-modules are presented. Finally, the relationship between the Jacobson radical  $J[M, N]$  of  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is supplemented are investigated. Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . We show that if  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is supplemented and  $N$  has GD2 then  $\text{Hom}(M, N)/J(M, N)$  is semisimple as a left  $E_M$ -module.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this article, all rings are associative with unity, and all modules are unital left modules. Let  $R$  be a ring. If  ${}_R M$  and  ${}_R N$  are modules, we use the following notations:  $E_M = \text{End}(M_R)$ . If  $N \subseteq M$ , then  $N \leq M$ ,  $N \ll M$ ,  $N \leq_d M$  and  $\text{Rad}(M)$  denote  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$ ,  $N$  is a small submodule of  $M$ ,  $N$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and the Jacobson radical of  $M$ , respectively.

We recall the fundamental terminology for our paper. Let  $U$  be a submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ . A submodule  $V$  of  $M$  is called *supplement* of  $U$  in  $M$  if  $V$  is a minimal element in the set of submodules  $L$  of  $M$  with  $U + L = M$ .  $V$  is a supplement of  $U$  if and only if  $U + V = M$  and  $U \cap V$  is small in  $V$ . An  $R$ -module  $M$  is *supplemented* if every submodule of  $M$  has a supplement in  $M$ . The module  $M$  is *amply supplemented* if, for any submodules  $A$  and  $B$  of  $M$  with  $M = A + B$ , there exists a supplement  $P$  of  $A$  such that  $P \leq B$ .

For the other definitions in this note, we refer to [1], [14] and [17].

In the present paper, we establish an order-preserving bijective correspondence between the sets of coclosed left  $R$ -submodules of  $N$  and coclosed left  $E_M$ -submodules of  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ . This concept is extremely useful in analyzing the structure of the endomorphism ring of a supplemented module. For instance, by definitions of supplemented modules, one easily checks that there is no any direct implication between the notions supplemented modules and when  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is supplemented. But we prove that if

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$M$  is a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is  $(\oplus, \text{amply}, \mathcal{G}^*)$ -supplemented if and only if  $N$  is  $(\oplus, \text{amply}, \mathcal{G}^*)$ -supplemented.

Beidar and Kasch [2] defined and studied substructures, the singular ideal  $\Delta(M, N)$  and the co-singular ideal  $\nabla(M, N)$ , of  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  such as:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(M, N) &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : \text{Ker}(f) \leq^e M\} \\ \nabla(M, N) &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : \text{Im}(f) \ll N\}.\end{aligned}$$

The other substructure, radical, of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  was introduced and studied by Kasch-Mader [11] and Nicholson-Zhou [15]. They have shown that:

$$\begin{aligned}J(M, N) &= \{\alpha \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : 1_M - \alpha\beta \in \text{Aut}(M), \forall \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(N, M)\} \\ &= \{\alpha \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : 1_N - \beta\alpha \in \text{Aut}(N), \forall \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(N, M)\} \\ &= \{\alpha \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : \alpha\beta \in J(E_M), \forall \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(N, M)\} \\ &= \{\alpha \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N) : \beta\alpha \in J(E_N), \forall \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(N, M)\}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have  $J[M, M] = J(E_M)$ , which is similar to well known notion  $J[R, R] = J(R)$ . For the other new properties of these substructures, we refer to [12], [13] and [18]. Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . We show that if  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is supplemented, then  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)/\nabla(M, N)$  is semisimple as a left  $E_M$ -module.

## 2. RESULTS.

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules. If there is an epimorphism  $f : M^{(\Lambda)} \rightarrow N$  for some set  $\Lambda$ , then  $N$  is said to be an  $M$ -generated module, denoted by  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , (see [17]). We denote

$$N_M = M\text{Hom}(M, N) = \{\sum_{i=1}^k m_i f_i : m_i \in M, f_i \in \text{Hom}(M, N)\}.$$

Clearly, if  $N_M = N$  then  $N$  is  $M$ -generated.

**Lemma 2.1.** (1) *Let  $N$  and  $M$  be two left  $R$ -modules. Then  $N$  is an  $M$ -generated  $R$ -module if and only if, for all non-zero  $R$ -homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow K$ , there exists  $h : M \rightarrow N$  such that  $hf \neq 0$ .*

(2) *If  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are  $M$ -generated modules with  $N = N_1 + N_2$ , then  $N$  is also  $M$ -generated.*

*Proof.* Clear. □

The class of supplemented modules under Hom need not closed under taking factor modules, in general.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be a  $P$ -projective module and  $P \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . If  $\text{Hom}(M, P)$  is supplemented then every homomorphic image of  $P$  is again supplemented under Hom.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a submodule of  $P$ . We will prove that  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$  is a supplemented  $E_M$ -module. Let  $A$  be a submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$ . For every element  $f \in A$ , there exists  $g \in \text{Hom}(M, P)$  such that  $gs = f$ , where  $s : P \rightarrow P/X$  is the canonical projection. Let  $B$  be the set of all  $h \in \text{Hom}(M, P)$  such that  $h$  extends an elements in  $A$ . It is a simple matter to prove that  $B$  is a submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, P)$ . Since  $\text{Hom}(M, P)$  is supplemented, there exists a submodule  $C$  of  $\text{Hom}(M, P)$  such that  $C$  is minimal for the property  $\text{Hom}(M, P) = B + C$ . Let  $D = \{fs \mid f \in C\}$ . It is clear that  $D$  is a submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$  and  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X) = A + D$ . Let  $E$  be a submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$  contained in  $D$  such that  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X) = A + E$ . Therefore

$$\text{Hom}(M, P) = \text{Hom}(M, X) + B + F,$$

where  $F = \{f \in C \mid fs \in E\}$  and it is a submodule of  $C$ . But  $\text{Hom}(M, X) \leq B$ . Then  $\text{Hom}(M, P) = B + F$ . Since  $F \leq C$ , we have  $F = C$ . Consequently,  $D$  is a supplement of  $A$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$ . Hence  $\text{Hom}(M, P/X)$  is a supplemented  $E_M$ -module.  $\square$

Let  $K \subset L \subset M$ . Recall that  $K$  is said to be *cosmall* of  $L$  in  $M$  if  $L/K \ll M/K$  and we denote it by  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$ . A submodule  $L$  of the module  $M$  is called *co-closed* in  $M$  if  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$  implies  $K = L$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $K \subset L \subset M$ . Then  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$  if and only if, for any submodule  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $M = L + X$  implies  $M = K + X$ .*

*Proof.* It is well known.  $\square$

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $X, Y \leq M$ . In [3], the notion of  $\beta^*$  relation on submodules  $X, Y$  of  $M$ , denoted by  $X\beta^*Y$ , is defined such as  $X\beta^*Y$  if and only if  $(X + Y)/Y \ll M/Y$  and  $(X + Y)/X \ll M/X$ . We notice that  $\beta^*$  is an equivalence relation by [3, Lemma 2.2].

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $X, Y \leq M$ . Then  $X\beta^*Y$  if and only if for each  $A \leq M$  such that  $M = X + Y + A$  then  $M = X + A$  and  $M = Y + A$*

*Proof.* See [3, Theorem 2.3].  $\square$

**Proposition 2.5.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated self-projective  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . Then the following conditions hold.*

- (1) *For every  $K, L \leq N$ ,  $\text{Hom}(M, K + L) = \text{Hom}(M, K) + \text{Hom}(M, L)$ .*
- (2) *For every  $I \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ ,  $I = \text{Hom}(M, MI)$ .*
- (3) *If  $K \leq N$ , then  $K_M\beta^*K$  and  $K_M \xrightarrow{cs} K$  in  $N$ .*
- (4) *Let  $K \leq L \leq N$ .*
  - a) *If  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$  in  $N$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M, K) \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, L)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ .*

b) If  $K\beta^*L$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M, K)\beta^*\text{Hom}(M, L)$ .

(5) Let  $A, B \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ .

a) If  $A \xrightarrow{cs} B$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ , then  $MA \xrightarrow{cs} MB$  in  $N$ .

b) If  $A\beta^*B$ , then  $(MA)\beta^*(MB)$ .

(6) If  $K \leq_{cc} N$ , then  $K \in \text{Gen}(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1) and (2) have been shown in [17, 18.4].

(3) For two submodules  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $M$  with  $X \leq Y$ , it is clear that  $X\beta^*Y$  and  $X \xrightarrow{cs} Y$  in  $M$  are equivalent. Let  $K \leq N$  and  $N = K + L$  for some  $L \leq N$ . Since  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} N &= M\text{Hom}(M, N) \\ &= M\text{Hom}(M, K) + M\text{Hom}(M, L) \subseteq K_M + L \end{aligned}$$

by (1). It follows that  $N = K_M + L$ . By Lemma 2.3, we can obtain that  $K_M \xrightarrow{cs} K$  in  $N$ .

(4) Let  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$  in  $N$  (or  $K\beta^*L$ , respectively) and  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M, L) + A$  for some  $A \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Since  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} N &= M\text{Hom}(M, N) \\ &= M\text{Hom}(M, L) + MA \subseteq L + MA \end{aligned}$$

by (1). We note that  $MA \leq N$ . Then  $N = L + MA$ .

(a) Since  $K \xrightarrow{cs} L$  in  $N$ , by Lemma 2.3, we have  $N = K + MA$ . By (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, K) + \text{Hom}(M, MA) \dots (*) \\ &= \text{Hom}(M, K) + A. \end{aligned}$$

(b) By Lemma 2.4,  $N = L + MA$  implies that  $N = K + MA$ . By (1), (2) and the equation (\*), we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, K) + \text{Hom}(M, MA) \\ &= \text{Hom}(M, K) + A. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we assume that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M, K) + H$  for some  $H \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Since  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , we can obtain that

$$N = M\text{Hom}(M, N) = M\text{Hom}(M, K) + MH.$$

By Lemma 2.4, we have  $N = L + MH$ . Then, by (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, L) + \text{Hom}(M, MH) \\ &= \text{Hom}(M, L) + H. \end{aligned}$$

They imply that  $\text{Hom}(M, K)\beta^*\text{Hom}(M, L)$  by [3, Theorem 2.3].

(5) We only give a proof of (a). Let  $A \xrightarrow{cs} B$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and let  $N =$

$MB + L$  for some  $L \leq N$ . By (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, MB) + \text{Hom}(M, L) \\ &= B + \text{Hom}(M, L). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A \xrightarrow{cs} B$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ , we can obtain that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = A + \text{Hom}(M, L)$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} N &= M\text{Hom}(M, N) \\ &= M(A + \text{Hom}(M, L)) \subseteq MA + L_M \subseteq MA + L. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $N = MA + L$ . By Lemma 2.3,  $MA \xrightarrow{cs} MB$  in  $N$ .

(6) Assume that  $K \leq_{cc} N$ . Since  $K_M \xrightarrow{cs} K$  in  $N$  by (3), we obtain  $K = K_M$ , that is  $K \in \text{Gen}(M)$   $\square$

The proof of the following theorem can be seen also from [5, Corollary 4.2], and we give the proof for the sake of completeness.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated self-projective  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . If  $K$  is a co-closed submodule of  $N$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  is coclosed in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ , and, conversely, if  $A$  is a co-closed submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  then  $MA$  is coclosed in  $N$ . Furthermore, there exists a bijection between the direct summands of  $N$  and the direct summands of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $K$  be a coclosed submodule of  $N$  and  $A \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, K)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . By Proposition 2.5 (5),  $MA \xrightarrow{cs} M\text{Hom}(M, K) = K_M$  in  $N = M\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . By Proposition 2.5 (3) and [4, 3.2], we can obtain that  $MA \xrightarrow{cs} K$  in  $N$ . Since  $K$  is a coclosed submodule of  $N$ ,  $MA = K_M = K$  and so  $\text{Hom}(M, K) = \text{Hom}(M, MA) = A$  by Proposition 2.5 (3). This implies that  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  is a coclosed submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ .

For converse, let  $A$  be a coclosed submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $L \xrightarrow{cs} MA$  in  $N$ . By Proposition 2.5 (3) and (4),  $\text{Hom}(M, L) \xrightarrow{cs} A = \text{Hom}(M, MA)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Since  $A$  is a coclosed submodule of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ , we can obtain that  $A = \text{Hom}(M, L)$  and so  $MA = M\text{Hom}(M, L) = L_M \subseteq L$ . It follows that  $L = MA$ . Hence  $MA$  is a coclosed submodule of  $N$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ .*

- (1)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is supplemented if and only if  $N$  is supplemented.
- (2)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is  $\oplus$ -supplemented if and only if  $N$  is  $\oplus$ -supplemented.
- (3)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is amply supplemented if and only if  $N$  is amply supplemented.

*Proof.* (1) It follows from [5, Corollary 4.1(ii)]. (2) This is similar to (3). (3) Assume that  $N$  is an amply supplemented module and let  $I \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . By [10, Proposition 1.5], let  $K$  be a coclosure of  $MI$  in  $N$ , i.e.,  $K \xrightarrow{cs} MI$  in  $N$  and  $K$  is coclosed in  $N$ . By hierarchy, there exists a supplemented submodule  $X$  of  $K$  such that  $X \xrightarrow{cs} K$  in  $N$ . It follows that  $X = K$ , and so  $K$  is supplemented and  $K \in \text{Gen}(M)$  by Proposition 2.5(6). By (1),  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  is supplemented. Now, by Proposition 2.5(2) and (4), we can obtain that  $\text{Hom}(M, K) \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, MI) = I$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . This implies that  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is amply supplemented.

For converse, assume that  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is amply supplemented. Let  $L \leq N$ . Then  $\text{Hom}(M, L) \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$  and we assume that  $I$  is a coclosure of  $\text{Hom}(M, L)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  by [10, Proposition 1.5]. Hence  $I \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, L)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $I$  is coclosed in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . By Theorem 2.6,  $NI$  is coclosed in  $N$ . Since  $MI \in \text{Gen}(M)$  by Proposition 2.5(6), we can obtain that there is a supplemented submodule  $I'$  of  $I$  such that  $I' \xrightarrow{cs} I$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Then  $I' = I$  and  $I = \text{Hom}(M, MI)$  is supplemented. By Theorem 2.6,  $MI$  is supplemented. On the other hand, we can obtain that  $MI \xrightarrow{cs} M\text{Hom}(M, L) = L_M$  in  $N$  by Proposition 2.5(5). But we know that  $L_M \xrightarrow{cs} L$  in  $N$  by Proposition 2.5(3), whence  $MI \xrightarrow{cs} L$  in  $N$  by [4, 3.2]. This implies that  $N$  is amply supplemented.  $\square$

We have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $H$  be a hollow projective module and  $K$  be a finitely  $H$ -generated module. Then  $K$  is a supplemented module and  $\text{Hom}(H, K)$  is supplemented.*

In [3], the authors used the  $\beta^*$  equivalence relation to define the class of  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -lifting modules and the class of  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented modules.  $M$  is called  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -lifting if, for each  $X$  of  $M$ , there exists a direct summand  $D$  of  $M$  such that  $X\beta^*D$ , and  $M$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented if, for each  $X$  submodule of  $M$ , there exists a supplement  $S$  of  $M$  such that  $X\beta^*S$ .

By [3, Theorem 3.6], we have the following hierarchy:

lifting  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{G}^*$ -lifting  $\Leftrightarrow H$ -supplemented  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented  $\Rightarrow$  supplemented .

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated self-projective  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . Then;*

- (a)  $N$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -lifting ( $H$ -supplemented) if and only if  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -lifting ( $H$ -supplemented) as an  $E_M$ -module.
- (b)  $N$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented if and only if  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented as an  $E_M$ -module.

*Proof.* (a) This is similar to (b).

(b) Assume that  $N$  is a  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented module. Let  $I \subset \text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  be an  $E_M$ -submodule. Then  $MI$  is a submodule of  $N$ . Since  $N$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented, there exists a supplement submodule, say  $A$ , in  $N$  such that  $A\beta^*(MI)$ . Hence there exists  $W \leq N$  such that  $N = A + W$  and  $A$  is minimal with respect to this property. We show that  $\text{Hom}(M, A)$  is a supplement of  $\text{Hom}(M, W)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $\text{Hom}(M, A)\beta^*I$ . By Proposition 2.5,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, A + W) \\ &= \text{Hom}(M, A) + \text{Hom}(M, W). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = S + \text{Hom}(M, W)$  for  $S \subseteq \text{Hom}(M, A)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} N = M\text{Hom}(M, N) &= M(S + \text{Hom}(M, W)) \\ &= MS + M\text{Hom}(M, W) \subseteq MS + W_M \subseteq N \end{aligned}$$

by Proposition 2.5. Minimality of  $A$  implies that  $A = MS$ . By Proposition 2.5, we obtain that  $\text{Hom}(M, A) = S$ . Hence  $\text{Hom}(M, A)$  is a supplement of  $\text{Hom}(M, W)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . On the other hand,  $A\beta^*(MI)$  implies that  $\text{Hom}(M, A)\beta^*\text{Hom}(M, MI) = I$  by Proposition 2.5. Hence  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented as an  $E_M$ -module.

Conversely, assume that  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented as an  $E_M$ -module. Let  $X \leq N$ . Then  $\text{Hom}(M, X) \subset \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Since  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented as an  $E_M$ -module, there exists a supplement submodule, say  $I$ , in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  such that  $I\beta^*\text{Hom}(M, X)$ . Hence there exists  $Y \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$  such that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = I + Y$  and  $I$  is minimal with respect to this property. We show that  $MI$  is a supplement of  $MY$  and  $(MI)\beta^*X$ . By Proposition 2.5;

$$\begin{aligned} N = M\text{Hom}(M, N) &= M(I + Y) \\ &= MI + MY. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $N = K + MY$  for  $K \subseteq MI$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} N = M\text{Hom}(M, N) &= M\text{Hom}(M, K + MY) \\ &= M\text{Hom}(M, K) + M\text{Hom}(M, MY) \\ &\subseteq K_M + MY \subseteq K + MY \subseteq N \end{aligned}$$

by Proposition 2.5. Minimality of  $MI$  implies that  $K = MI$ . By Proposition 2.5, we can also obtain that  $(MI)\beta^*X$ . Hence  $N$  is  $\mathcal{G}^*$ -supplemented.  $\square$

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be *cosemisimple* if all simple modules are  $M$ -injective. By [4, 3.8],  $M$  is a cosemisimple module iff every submodule of  $M$  is coclosed in  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $M$  be a a finitely generated, self-projective  $R$ -module. Then the following cases are equivalent for the module  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ .*

- (1)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is cosemisimple.  
 (2)  $N$  is cosemisimple.

An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be *refinable* if, for any submodules  $U, V$  of  $M$  with  $M = U + V$ , there exists a direct summand  $D$  of  $M$  with  $D \subset U$  and  $M = D + V$  ([4]). A ring  $R$  is called *left refinable* if  ${}_R R$  is a refinable module.

**Theorem 2.11.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . Then:*

- (1)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is refinable if and only if  $N$  is refinable.  
 (2) If  $N$  is a refinable module, then the following are equivalent.  
 (i)  $N$  is  $\oplus$ -supplemented  
 (ii)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is  $\oplus$ -supplemented  
 (iii)  $N$  is supplemented.  
 (iv)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is supplemented.

*Proof.* We only prove (1). The rest is clear.

(1)( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $U, V \leq N$  with  $N = U + V$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M, N) &= \text{Hom}(M, U + V) \\ &= \text{Hom}(M, U) + \text{Hom}(M, V) \end{aligned}$$

by Proposition 2.5. Since  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is refinable as a left  $E_M$ -module, there exists a direct summand  $D$  of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  such that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = D + \text{Hom}(M, V)$ . By Theorem 2.6, we can obtain that  $MD$  is a direct summand of  $N$ . Now, it is easy to see that  $N = MD + V$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Assume that  $N$  is a refinable module. Let  ${}_S I, {}_S J \subset \text{Hom}(M, N)$  with  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = I + J$ . By Proposition 2.5, we have  $I = \text{Hom}(M, MI)$  and  $J = \text{Hom}(M, MJ)$ . We also note that  $MI$  and  $MJ$  are submodule of  $N$  and  $N = MI + MJ$ . Since  $N$  is a refinable module, there exists a direct summand  $D$  of  $N$  such that  $N = D + MJ$ . By Theorem 2.6, we can obtain that  $\text{Hom}(M, D)$  is a direct summand of  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Now, it is easy to see that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M, D) + J$ .  $\square$

As a consequence, we have the following result (see [4, 11.28]):

**Corollary 2.12.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module. Then the following cases are equivalent.*

- (1)  $E_M$  is left refinable.  
 (2)  $M$  is refinable.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be a *unique coclosure module*, denoted by UCC, if every submodule of  $M$  has a unique coclosure in  $M$  (see [7]). By [4, 21.3],  $M$  is a UCC module if and only if, given  $N \subseteq M$ , there exists a coclosure  $N'$  of  $N$  such that  $N' \subseteq L$  whenever  $L \xrightarrow{cs} N$  in  $M$ .



**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . Then the following cases are equivalent.*

- (1)  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is a UCC module.
- (2)  $N$  is a UCC module.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $A \leq N$ . Then  $\text{Hom}(M, A) \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Since  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is a UCC module, there exists a coclosure, say  $K$ , of  $\text{Hom}(M, A)$  such that  $K \subseteq L$  whenever  $L \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, A)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ , i.e.  $K \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, A)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $K$  is coclosed in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . By Proposition 2.5 (5) and Theorem 2.6, we can obtain that  $MK \xrightarrow{cs} A$  in  $N$  and  $MK$  is coclosed in  $N$ . It implies that  $MK$  is a coclosure of  $A$  in  $N$ . On the other hand,  $K \subseteq L$  implies  $MK \subseteq ML$  and  $L \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, A)$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  implies that  $ML \xrightarrow{cs} A$  in  $N$ . Hence  $N$  is a UCC-module.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  ${}_sI \subset \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Then, by Proposition 2.5 (2),  $I = \text{Hom}(M, MI)$  and  $MI$  is a submodule of  $N$ . Since  $N$  is a UCC-module, there exists a coclosure  $K$  of  $MI$  in  $N$  such that  $K \subset L$  whenever  $L \xrightarrow{cs} MI$  in  $N$ . Since  $K$  is a coclosure of  $MI$  in  $N$ , we have  $K \xrightarrow{cs} MI$  in  $N$  and  $K$  is coclosed in  $N$ . By Proposition 2.5 (4) and Theorem 2.6, we can obtain that  $MK \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, MI) = I$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  is coclosed in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . They imply that  $\text{Hom}(M, K)$  is a coclosure of  $I$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$ . On the other hand,  $K \subset L$  implies that  $\text{Hom}(M, K) \subset \text{Hom}(M, L)$  and  $L \xrightarrow{cs} MI$  in  $N$  implies that  $ML \xrightarrow{cs} \text{Hom}(M, MI) = I$  in  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  by Proposition 2.5 (4). Hence  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is a UCC module.  $\square$

### 3. THE SUBSTRUCTURE $\nabla(M, N)$

In this section, we study the concept of the substructure  $\nabla(M, N)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . If  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is supplemented as a left  $E_M$ -module, then  $\text{Hom}(M, N)/\nabla(M, N)$  is semisimple as a left  $E_M$ -module.*

*Proof.* Let  $\bar{A} = A/\nabla(M, N) \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)/\nabla(M, N)$ . There exists  $B \leq \text{Hom}(M, N)$  such that  $\text{Hom}(M, N) = A + B$  and  $A \cap B \ll B$ . Then

$$\text{Hom}(M, N)/\nabla(M, N) = A/\nabla(M, N) + (B + \nabla(M, N))/\nabla(M, N).$$

For any  $f \in A \cap B$ , we note that  $E_M f \leq A \cap B$  and so  $E_M f \ll \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . Now we show that  $f \in \nabla(M, N)$ . Let  $H \leq N$  with  $N = \text{Im} f + H$ . By Proposition 2.5 (1), we can obtain that

$$\text{Hom}(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M, f(M)) + \text{Hom}(M, H).$$

It follows that  $E_M f + \text{Hom}(M, H) = \text{Hom}(M, N)$  and hence  $\text{Hom}(M, H) = \text{Hom}(M, N)$ . On the other hand,  $N = M\text{Hom}(M, N) = M\text{Hom}(M, H) \leq H$  since  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . Therefore  $N = H$ , i.e.  $\text{Im} f \ll N$ . Hence  $f \in \nabla(M, N)$ . Thus

$$\text{Hom}(M, N)/\nabla(M, N) = A/\nabla(M, N) \oplus (B + \nabla(M, N))/\nabla(M, N),$$

as desired.  $\square$

Recall that;

(D2) For any submodule  $A$  of  $M$  for which  $M/A$  is isomorphic to a direct summand of  $M$ , then  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

(GD2) For any submodule  $A$  of  $M$  for which  $M/A$  is isomorphic to  $M$ , then  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

A module  $M$  is called *discrete* (respectively, *generalized discrete*) if  $M$  satisfies (D1) and (D2) (respectively, (D1) and (GD2)). Let  $p$  be a prime number. Then  $M_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$  is generalized discrete but not discrete.

**Lemma 3.2.** ([9, Lemma 3.1]) *Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules. If  $N$  satisfies (GD2), then  $\nabla(M, N) \subset J[M, N]$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\beta \in \nabla(M, N)$  and  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, M)$ . Then

$$\text{Im}\beta + \text{Im}(1_N - \beta f) = N.$$

Let  $\eta := 1_N - \beta f$ . Since  $\text{Im}\beta \ll N$ , we have  $\text{Im}(\eta) = N$ . It follows that  $N \cong N/\text{Ker}(\eta)$ . By (GD2), we have  $\text{Ker}(\eta)$  is a direct summand of  $N$ . Since  $\text{Ker}(\eta) \leq \text{Im}(\beta)$ , we can obtain that  $\text{Ker}(\eta) \ll N$ . Hence  $\text{Ker}(\eta) = 0$ . Now  $\eta$  is an isomorphism. Thus  $\beta \in J[M, N]$ .  $\square$

The next result extends Mohammed and Müller [14, Theorem 5.4].

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a finitely generated, self-projective left  $R$ -module and  $N \in \text{Gen}(M)$ . If  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is supplemented and  $N$  satisfies GD2 then  $\text{Hom}(M, N)/J[M, N]$  is semisimple as a left  $E_M$ -module.*

*Proof.* It is clear from Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.2.  $\square$

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