

## Q-modules

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with identity and all  $R$ -modules are unitary. A ring  $R$  is called  $q$ -ring if every ideal of  $R$  is quasi-injective. In this work, we introduce the concept of  $Q$ -module as a generalization for the concept of  $q$ -ring. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be a  $Q$ -module if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective. We characterize such modules and study their properties. Relationships between  $Q$ -modules and other classes of modules are given.  $Q$ -modules are studied over artinian ring. Endomorphisms rings of  $Q$ -modules are examined.

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### 1-Basic properties of $Q$ -modules.

Jain, Mohamed and Singh in [9] called a ring  $R$  is  $q$ -ring if every right ideal of  $R$  is quasi-injective. In this section, we generalize the concept of  $q$ -ring to modules. Also we introduce some properties of  $Q$ -modules and give some characterizations of  $Q$ -modules.  $J(R)$  will denote the Jacobson radical of  $R$ . For an  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\text{ann}(M) = \{r \in R : rM = 0\}$ , and  $\text{End}(M)$  is the endomorphisms ring of  $M$ .

Before we give the definition of  $Q$ -module, we must recall the concept of quasi-injective module. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called quasi-injective if for each monomorphism  $f: N \rightarrow M$ , where  $N$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , and homomorphism  $g: N \rightarrow M$ , there is a homomorphism  $h: M \rightarrow M$  such that  $h \circ f = g$  [6].

**Definition 1.1:** An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a  $Q$ -module if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective.

### Examples and remarks 1.2:

1-  $Z_n$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$  for each positive integer  $n \geq 2$ .

2- Every semi-simple  $R$ -module is a  $Q$ -module.

3-  $Z_\infty$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$ .

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4-  $Q$  (the set of all rational numbers) as a  $Z$ -module is not a  $Q$ -module, but it is a quasi-injective  $Z$ -module.

5- Every submodule of  $Q$ -module is a  $Q$ -module.

6- The inverse image of  $Q$ -module is not necessary a  $Q$ -module. In fact,  $Z_2$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$  and  $Z$  is not a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$ .

7- The direct sum of  $Q$ -modules need not be a  $Q$ -module as the following example shows:  $Z_2$

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and  $Z_4$  are  $Q$ -modules over  $Z$ . Since  $Z_2 \oplus Z_4$  is not quasi-injective,  $Z_2 \oplus Z_4$  is not a  $Q$ -

module over  $Z$ . Furthermore,  $Z_4$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$ , but  $Z_4 \oplus Z_4$  is not a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$ .

Before we give the following proposition we need the following lemma which appeared in [12, P.244, Ex. 27 A].

**Lemma 1.3:** An  $R$ -module  $M$  is quasi-injective if and only if  $M$  is a quasi-injective  $R/I$ -module for any ideal  $I \subseteq \text{ann}(M)$ .

The proof of the following proposition follows from Lemma 1.3.

**Proposition 1.4:**  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $R$  if and only if  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $R/I$  for any ideal  $I$  of  $R$  contained in  $\text{ann}(M)$ .

Recall that an  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called fully invariant if  $f(N) \subseteq N$ , for all  $f \in \text{End}(M)$  [21]. The following lemma shows that the fully invariant submodule inherits the quasi-injectivity of the module.

**Lemma 1.5:** Every fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of a quasi-injective  $R$ -module is quasi-injective.

An  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called essential if  $N \cap L \neq 0$  for every non-zero  $R$ -submodule  $L$  of  $M$  [11].

**Theorem 1.6:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. The following statements are equivalent:

1-  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.

2-  $M$  is quasi-injective and every essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is fully invariant in  $M$ .

3- Every essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. Thus  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Hence  $E(N) = E(M)$  [18, Prop. 2.22]. Because  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module,  $N$  is quasi-injective. It follows that  $N$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $E(N) = E(M)$  [10, Th. 6.74]. Hence  $N$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). It follows from Lemma 1.5.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Since  $M$  is an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , so  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be a proper non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Thus  $N \oplus C$  is an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , where  $C$  is the relative intersection complement of  $N$  [11]. Therefore,  $N \oplus C$  is a quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By [12, Prop. 6.73],  $N$  is quasi-injective. ■

A nonzero  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called quasi-invertible if  $\text{Hom}(M/N, M) = 0$  [13].

**Theorem 1.7:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that  $J(\text{End}(M)) = 0$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** The only if part is trivial. Suppose that every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective. It is clear that  $M$  is a quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , thus  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be a proper non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then  $N \oplus C$  is an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , where  $C$  is the relative intersection complement of  $N$  [11]. By [13, Th. 3.8, Ch. 1],  $N \oplus C$  is quasi-invertible and by hypothesis,  $N \oplus C$  is quasi-

injective. Whence  $N$  is quasi-injective [12, Prop. 6.73]. Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

**Proposition 1.8:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that every non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  contains a copy of  $R$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is injective.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $N$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then  $N$  is quasi-injective. Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$  and let  $f: I \rightarrow N$  be an  $R$ -homomorphism. Because  $N$  is quasi-injective, there exists  $h: N \rightarrow N$  such that  $h|_I = f$ , that is,  $h$  is an extension of  $f$ . Since  $R$  is contained in  $N$ , by Baer's criterion [12],  $N$  is injective. The converse is clear. ■

**Corollary 1.9:** Let  $R$  be an integral domain and  $M$  is a torsion free  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is injective.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be divisible if  $M = rM$  for every  $r$  of  $R$  which is not a zero-divisor [12]. It is well-known that if  $R$  is a principal ideal domain and  $M$  is an  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is injective if and only if  $M$  is divisible [18, Th. 2.8].

**Proposition 1.10:** Let  $R$  be a principal ideal domain and  $M$  is a torsion free  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- 1-  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.
- 2- Every  $R$ -submodule is injective.
- 3- Every  $R$ -submodule is divisible.

An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called uniform if every non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is essential [8]. In Ex. and Remark 1.2(7), we have seen that a direct sum of  $Q$ -modules need not be a  $Q$ -module. In the following two propositions, we discuss conditions under them a direct sum of  $Q$ -modules is a  $Q$ -module.

**Proposition 1.11:** Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be uniform  $R$ -modules such that  $\text{Hom}(M_i, M_j) = 0$  for all distinct  $i, j, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . Then  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are  $Q$ -modules and  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are  $Q$ -modules and  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  and let  $f: A \rightarrow N$  be a homomorphism, where  $A$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $N$ .  $f$  can be extended to an endomorphism  $g$  of  $M$ . Then  $N = \pi_1(N) \oplus \pi_2(N)$ , where  $\pi_i: M \rightarrow M_i$  is the projection homomorphism for each  $i=1,2$ . Since  $M_i$  is a  $Q$ -module for each  $i=1,2$ ,  $\pi_i(N)$  is a quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M_i$ . Because  $M_i$  is uniform for each  $i=1,2$ , thus  $\pi_i(N)$  is an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M_i$ . Hence  $\pi_i(N)$  is an essential quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M_i$  and consequently  $\pi_i(N)$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $E(\pi_i(N)) = E(M_i)$  [6, Corollary 19.3] [18, Prop. 2.22]. It follows that  $\pi_i(N)$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M_i$ . From the assumption,  $\text{Hom}(M_i, M_j) = 0$  for all distinct  $i, j, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ , we get  $\text{End}(M) = \text{End}(M_1) \oplus \text{End}(M_2)$  [11, p.87] and hence  $g(N) = h(\pi_1(N)) \oplus k(\pi_2(N)) \subseteq \pi_1(N) \oplus \pi_2(N) \subseteq N$ , where  $h \in \text{End}(M_1)$  and  $k \in \text{End}(M_2)$ . From above

argument, we have  $g(N) \subseteq N$  and  $g|_A = f$  which proves that  $N$  is quasi-injective. Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. The other direction follows from Ex. and Remark 1.2(5). ■

**Proposition 1.12:** Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be  $R$ -submodules such that  $\text{Hom}(M_i, M_j) = 0$  for all distinct  $i, j, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ , and every direct summand of  $E(M_i)$  is fully invariant for each  $i=1,2$ . Then  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are  $Q$ -modules and  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** The only if part follows from Ex. and Remark 1.2(5). To prove if part, let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  and  $f: A \rightarrow N$  be a homomorphism, where  $A$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $N$ . Then  $N = \pi_1(N) \oplus \pi_2(N)$ , where  $\pi_i: M \rightarrow M_i$  is the projection homomorphism for each  $i=1,2$ . Since  $M_i$  is a  $Q$ -module for each  $i=1,2$ , thus  $\pi_i(N)$

is quasi-injective. It follows that  $\pi_i(N)$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $E(\pi_i(N))$  [6, Corollary 19.3].

Because  $E(\pi_i(N))$  is a direct summand of  $E(M_i)$  [18, Prop. 2.22] and by hypothesis,  $E(\pi_i(N))$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $E(M_i)$ , therefore  $\pi_i(N)$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $E(M_i)$  which means that  $\pi_i(N)$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M_i$ . Now,  $f$  can be extended to an endomorphism  $g$  of  $M$ . Since  $\text{Hom}(M_i, M_j) = 0$  for all distinct  $i, j, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ , so  $\text{End}(M) = \text{End}(M_1) \oplus \text{End}(M_2)$  [11, p.87]. Thus  $g(N) = h(\pi_1(N)) \oplus k(\pi_2(N)) \subseteq \pi_1(N) \oplus \pi_2(N) \subseteq N$ , where  $h \in \text{End}(M_1)$  and  $k \in \text{End}(M_2)$ . Consequently, we have  $g(N) \subseteq N$  and  $g|_A = f$  which implies that  $N$  is quasi-injective and hence  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

## 2- $Q$ -modules and quasi-injective modules.

As we have mentioned in section one that every  $Q$ -module is quasi-injective, the converse is not true in general (Ex. and Remark 1.2(4)). In this section, we give sufficient conditions on a quasi-injective module to be a  $Q$ -module.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called duo if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is fully invariant [21].

**Proposition 2.1:** If  $M$  is a quasi-injective duo  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.

**Proof:** It follows from Lemma 1.5. ■

**Corollary 2.2:** If  $M$  is duo  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

An  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be satisfy Baer criterion if for each  $R$ -homomorphism  $f: N \rightarrow M$ , there exist  $r \in R$  such that  $f(x) = rx$  for all  $x \in N$ , and an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be satisfy Baer criterion if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  satisfies Baer criterion [1]. It is easily seen that every  $R$ -submodule satisfying Baer criterion is fully invariant.

**Corollary 2.3:** Let  $M$  be a Baer criterion  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective. Recall that an  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is annihilator if  $N = \text{ann}_M(I)$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$  [1].

**Corollary 2.4:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module in which all of its  $R$ -submodules are annihilator. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** The only if part is easy. Suppose that  $M$  is quasi-injective and  $N$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , and hence  $N = \text{ann}_M(I)$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Let  $f \in \text{End}(M)$ . Thus  $0 = f(IN) = If(N)$  which means that  $f(N) \subseteq \text{ann}_M(I) = N$ . It follows that  $N$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By Corollary 2.2,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

It is easily seen that  $M$  is a duo  $R$ -module if and only if every cyclic  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is fully invariant in  $M$ . Thus from Corollary 2.2, we have the following result.

**Corollary 2.5:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that every cyclic  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is fully invariant in  $M$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

The converse of Prop.2.1 is not true. The following example indicate that.

**Example 2.6:**  $M = Z_3 \oplus Z_3$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $Z$ , but  $M$  is not duo. In fact,  $N = \{(x, x) : x \in Z_3\}$  is not a fully invariant  $Z$ -submodule of  $M$ .

The following proposition give another condition on a quasi-injective  $R$ -module to be a  $Q$ -module.

**Proposition 2.7:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module in which each  $R$ -submodule is of the form  $f(K)$ , where  $K$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  and  $f$  is an idempotent endomorphism of  $M$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . There exists a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule  $K$  of  $M$  and an idempotent endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  such that  $N = f(K)$ . By Lemma 1.5,  $K$  is quasi-injective, and  $M = f(M) \oplus (I-f)(M)$ , where  $I: M \rightarrow M$  is the identity endomorphism of  $M$ . Since  $K$  is fully invariant, thus  $K = f(K) \oplus (I-f)(K)$ . Because  $K$  is quasi-injective,  $N = f(K)$  is quasi-injective [12, Prop.6.73]. Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. The converse is direct. ■

Under certain condition on the elements of quasi-injective  $R$ -module, we get another characterization of  $Q$ -module.

**Proposition 2.8:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $M$ ,  $y \notin Rx$  implies  $\text{ann}(x) \subsetneq \text{ann}(y)$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** The only if part is direct. Suppose that  $M$  is not a  $Q$ -module, so by Corollary 2.5, there is a cyclic  $R$ -submodule  $Rx$  of  $M$  which is not fully invariant in  $M$ , that is there exists  $f \in \text{End}(M)$  such that  $f(Rx) \not\subseteq Rx$ . This means that there exists  $y \in Rx$  such that  $f(y) \notin Rx$ . Let  $y = rx$ , where  $r \in R$ . Thus  $\text{ann}(x) \subsetneq \text{ann}(y) \subseteq \text{ann}(f(y))$ . This contradicts our hypothesis. Therefore every cyclic  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  must be fully invariant in  $M$ . By Corollary 2.5,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be closed in  $M$  if and only if  $N$  has no proper essential extension in  $M$  [8]. It is known that if  $M$  is a quasi-injective  $R$ -module and  $N$  is a closed  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , then  $N$  is quasi-injective [8]. From this fact, we conclude the following result.

**Proposition 2.9:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is closed. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**3-Q-Modules and cohofpian (hopfian) modules.**

Recall that An  $R$ -module is called cohofpian(hopfian) if every injective (surjective) endomorphism is isomorphism [3].

**Proposition 3.1:** Let  $M$  be a cohofpian  $Q$ -module over  $R$  and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then  $E(N)$  and  $N$  are cohofpian.

**Proof:** Because  $M$  is a cohofpian  $Q$ -module,  $E(M)$  is cohofpian [3, Th.8]. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By [18, Prop.2.22],  $E(N)$  is a direct summand of  $E(M)$ . But  $E(M)$  is cohofpian, so  $E(N)$  is cohofpian [3, Th.6]. Since  $N$  is quasi-injective and  $E(N)$  is cohofpian, so  $N$  is cohofpian. ■

**Corollary 3.2:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $M_P$  is cohofpian for each prime ideal  $P$  of  $R$ , then every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian.

**Proof:** By [14, Prop. 2.3],  $M$  is a cohofpian  $Q$ -module and hence every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian (Prop.3.1). ■

**Corollary 3.3:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $M_P$  is artinian for each prime ideal  $P$ , then every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian.

**Proof:** By [14, Prop.2.4],  $M_P$  is cohofpian and by Corollary 3.2 every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian. ■

**Proposition 3.4:** Let  $M$  be a  $Q$ -module over  $R$  and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then  $N$  is cohofpian if and only if  $E(N)$  is cohofpian.

**Proof:** It follows from [3, Th.8]. ■

An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be perfect if it satisfies the descending chain condition on cyclic  $R$ -submodule. Equivalently, an  $R$ -module  $M$  is perfect if  $M$  satisfies the descending chain condition on a finitely generated  $R$ -submodule [6].

**Proposition 3.5:** Let  $M$  be a finitely generated perfect  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, then every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian.

**Proof:** Let  $f: M \rightarrow M$  be a monomorphism. Therefore  $M \supseteq f(M) \supseteq f^2(M) \supseteq f^3(M) \supseteq \dots$  is descending chain of finitely generated  $R$ -submodules of  $M$ . Because  $M$  is perfect, so  $f^n(M) = f^{n+1}(M)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . But  $f$  is monomorphism, hence  $M = f(M)$  which means that  $f$  is epimorphism. Whence  $M$  is cohofpian. By Prop. 3.1, every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is cohofpian. ■

**Proposition 3.6:** Let  $M$  be a non zero  $R$ -module and let  $N$  be a  $Q$ -module. If  $N$  is a non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , then  $N$  is not cohofpian if and only if for any positive

integer  $n$ ,  $N = N_n \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^n C_i \right)$ , where  $N \cong N_n$  and  $C_i \neq 0$  for all  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ .

**Proof:** It follows from [3, Prop.1]. ■

**Corollary 3.7:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $N$  is a hopfian  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , then  $N$  is cohofpian.

**Proof:** To prove that  $N$  is cohofpian, let  $f: N \rightarrow N$  be a monomorphism and  $f(N) \neq N$ . Consequently,  $f(N)$  is a proper  $R$ -submodule of  $N$ . Thus  $f^{-1}: f(N) \rightarrow N$  is isomorphism. Since  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, so  $N$  is quasi-injective. Whence there exists an extension homomorphism  $g: N \rightarrow N$  such that  $g|_{f(N)} = f^{-1}$ . But  $f^{-1}$  is an isomorphism, so  $N = I(f(N)) \oplus \text{ker } g = f(N)$

$\oplus \ker g$  [11, Corollary 3.4.10]. Because  $g|_{f(N)} = f^{-1}$ ,  $g$  is onto and  $\ker g \neq 0$ . It follows that  $g$  is not one-to-one and hence  $N$  is not hopfian, a contradiction. Therefore  $N$  is cohopfian. ■

It is known that every finitely generated module is hopfian. From this fact, we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.8:** Every finitely generated  $R$ -submodule of  $Q$ -module is cohopfian.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  has finite dimensional (Goldie dimension) provided that  $M$  contains no infinite independent families of non-zero  $R$ -submodule [8].

**Corollary 3.9:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $N$  has finite dimensional then  $N$  is cohopfian.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $N$  is not cohopfian, then by

Prop. 3.6, for any positive integer  $n$ ,  $N = N_n \oplus (\bigoplus_{i=1}^n C_i)$

, where  $N \cong N_n$  and  $C_i \neq 0$  for all  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ . This implies that  $N$  contains infinite independent families of non-zero  $R$ -submodule, a contradiction. Therefore  $N$  is cohopfian.

Recall that an  $R$ -Module  $M$  is cancellation (or direct sum cancellation) whenever  $M \oplus H \cong M \oplus K$ , implies  $H \cong K$ . Equivalently if  $M \oplus H = B \oplus K$  with  $M \cong B$  implies  $H \cong K$  for any  $R$ -modules  $K, H$  [3].

**Proposition 3.10:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $N$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , then  $N$  is cancellation if and only if  $N$  is cohopfian.

**Proof:** It follows from [3, Prop. 5]. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is directly finite provided that  $M$  is not isomorphic to any proper direct summand of itself [8].

**Proposition 3.11:** Let  $M$  be a non-zero  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module and  $N$  is a non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , then  $N$  is directly finite if and if  $N$  is cohopfian.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $N$  is directly finite and  $N$  is not cohopfian, By Prop. 3.6, for any positive integer  $n$ ,

$N = N_n \oplus (\bigoplus_{i=1}^n C_i)$ , where  $N \cong N_n$  and  $C_i \neq 0$  for all  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ . This contradicts that  $N$  is directly finite. Hence  $N$  is cohopfian.

Conversely; suppose that  $N$  is cohopfian and  $N$  is not directly finite, that is,  $N = N_1 \oplus C$  with  $N \cong N_1$ ,  $C \neq 0$ . Since  $N \cong N_1$ , there exists an isomorphism  $f: N \rightarrow N_1$ .

Let  $j: N_1 \rightarrow N_1 \oplus C$  be the injection homomorphism.  $j$  is monomorphism, but it is not epimorphism. Thus  $j \circ f: N \rightarrow N$  is monomorphism, but it is not epimorphism. Therefore  $N$  is not cohopfian. This contradicts our hypothesis. Consequently,  $N$  is directly finite. ■

#### 4- $Q$ -modules over artinian rings.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is finendo if  $M$  is finitely generated over  $\text{End}(M)$  [6].

The following proposition gives a necessary condition for Modules over artinian ring to be  $Q$ -modules.

**Proposition 4.1:** If  $R$  is an artinian ring, then every  $R$ -submodule of  $Q$ -module is finendo.

**Proof:** It follows from [6, Th. 19.16A]. ■

**Proposition 4.2:** If  $M$  is an  $R$ -module such that every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is injective modulo annihilator, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.

**Proof:** Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -module of  $M$ , thus  $N$  is an injective  $R/\text{ann}(M)$ -submodule of  $M$ . This implies that  $N$  is a quasi-injective  $R/\text{ann}(M)$ -submodule of  $M$ , and hence  $N$  is quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  (Lemm: 4.1.3). Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

The converse of Prop. 4.2 is not true in general as the following example shows: Let  $M = \bigoplus_p Z_p$  be a  $Z$ -module

, where  $p$  is a prime number.  $M$  is a semi-simple  $Z$ -module and hence a  $Q$ -module. But  $M$  is not injective over  $Z/\text{ann}(M) \cong Z$ .

In the following proposition, we give a condition under which the converse of Prop. 4.2 is true.

**Proposition 4.3:** Let  $R$  be an artinian ring and  $M$  is an  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is injective modulo annihilator.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over artinian ring, then  $N$  is a finendo quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  (Prop. 4.1). Therefore  $N$  is injective modulo annihilator [6, Th. 19.14A]. The converse follows from Prop. 4.2. ■

An  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to satisfy the double annihilator condition with respect to  $M$  if  $N = \text{ann}_M(\text{ann}_R(N))$  [6].

**Theorem 4.4:** Let  $R$  be an artinian ring and let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent: 1-  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module

2-  $M$  is quasi-injective and every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  satisfies the double annihilator condition.

3-  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo.

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, so  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By Prop. 4.1,  $N$  is finendo. Since  $M$  is quasi-injective and  $N$  is finendo, then  $N$  satisfies double annihilator condition [6, Th. 19.10A].

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Thus  $N$  satisfies the double annihilator condition. Let  $f \in \text{End}(M)$ .  $0 = f(\text{ann}_R(N)N) = \text{ann}_R(N)f(N)$  and hence  $f(N) \subseteq$

$\text{ann}_M(\text{ann}_R(N)) = N$  which proves that  $N$  is fully invariant.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). By Corollary 2.2. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is bounded if and only if  $\text{ann}(M) = \text{ann}(x)$  for some  $x$  in  $M$  [6].

**Proposition 4.5:** Let  $R$  be an artinian ring and let  $M$  be a  $Q$ -module over  $R$ . Then an  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is bounded if and only if  $N$  is cyclic.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $N$  is bounded, that is,  $\text{ann}(N) = \text{ann}(x)$  for some  $x$  in  $N$ . But  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over artinian ring, so every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  satisfies the double annihilator condition (Th. 4.4). Therefore,  $N = \text{ann}_M(\text{ann}_R(N)) = \text{ann}_M(\text{ann}_R(x)) = Rx$ . The converse is trivial. ■

#### 5- $Q$ -modules and other modules.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called multiplication if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is of the form  $IM$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$  [2]. The following proposition shows that the two concepts  $Q$ -module and quasi-injective module are equivalent in the class of multiplication modules.

**Proposition 5.1:** If  $M$  is a multiplication  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof:** The only if part is clear. Suppose that  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Because  $M$  is multiplication,  $N=IM$  for some ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Let  $f \in \text{End}(M)$ . Thus  $f(N)=f(IM)=If(M) \subseteq IM=N$ , therefore  $N$  is fully invariant in  $M$ . By virtue of Prop.2.1,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called distributive if  $X \cap (N+L) = (X \cap N) + (X \cap L)$  for all  $R$ -submodules  $X, N$  and  $L$  of  $M$  [5]. And an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called  $Z$ -regular if for every element  $m \in M$ , there exists  $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$  such that  $m = f(m)m$  [22].

The proof of the following lemma follows from [2], [5, Prop.7] and [15, Prop. 2.1].

**Lemma 5.2:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.  $M$  is multiplication if  $M$  is one of the following cases:

1-Cyclic.

2-finitely generated, distributive and  $\text{ann}(M)=0$ .

3- $Z$ -regular and  $\text{End}(M)$  is commutative.

**Corollary 5.3:** Let  $M$  be as in Lemma 5.2. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proposition 5.4:** If  $M$  is a multiplication  $R$ -module and  $S = \text{End}(M)$ , then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $R$  if and only if  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $S$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $R$ , and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is multiplication, so  $\text{End}(M)$  is commutative [14, Prop.1.1]. Because  $N$  is fully invariant (see the proof of Prop.5.1),  $N$  is an  $S$ -submodule of  $M$ . Thus  $N$  is a quasi-injective  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  if and only if  $N$  is a quasi-injective  $S$ -submodule of  $M$ . Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module over  $S$ . Similarly, we can prove the converse. ■

Before we state the following proposition, we recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called CS-module if every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is essential in a direct summand of  $M$  [17]. And an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be continuous if  $M$  is CS-module and every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  isomorphic to direct summand of  $M$  is itself summand [7].

**Proposition 5.5:** Let  $M$  be a uniform multiplication  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is continuous and  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module.

**Proof :** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. Thus  $M$  is quasi-injective, so  $M$  is continuous and  $M \oplus M$  is a quasi-injective [6]. Hence  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module [17].

Conversely; suppose that  $M$  is continuous and  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module. Since  $M$  is a continuous uniform  $R$ -module and  $M \oplus M$  is a CS-module, so  $M$  is quasi-injective [7, Lemma 1.2.3]. Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module (prop.5.1). ■

**Proposition 5.6:** Let  $M$  be a uniform multiplication  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is finite composition length, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. Then  $M \oplus M$  is quasi-injective [6]. Therefore  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module [17].

Conversely; assume that  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module. Thus  $M$  is quasi-injective [7, Prop.2.1.1]. By Prop.5.1,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

Recall that a ring  $R$  is perfect if  $R$  has d.c.c. on principal ideals [6].

**Proposition 5.7:** Let  $R$  be a perfect ring and let  $M$  be a uniform cyclic  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M \oplus M$  is CS-module. Hence  $M$  is quasi-injective [7, Prop.2.2.2]. By Corollary 5.3,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. The converse is direct. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called simply embedded i.  $M$  has a simple  $R$ -submodule which is essential in  $M$  [20], and the  $R$ -module  $M$  is almost finitely generated if  $M$  is not finitely generated, but every proper  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is finitely generated [20].

**Proposition 5.8:** Let  $M$  be a multiplication almost finitely generated artinian  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is simply embedded.

**Proof:** It follows from [20, Prop.3.1]. ■

**Theorem 5.9:** Let  $M$  be a multiplication  $R$ -module and let  $\text{ann}(M)$  be a prime ideal of  $R$ . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective.

**Proof :** The only if part is direct. Suppose that every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  and let  $C$  be an intersection relative complement of  $N$ . By [11],  $N \oplus C$  is essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By [13, Th.3.11, Ch.1],  $N \oplus C$  is quasi-invertible and by hypothesis,  $N \oplus C$  is quasi-injective. Consequently,  $N$  is quasi-injective [12, Prop.6.7.3]. Therefore  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called prime if  $\text{ann}(M) = \text{ann}(N)$  for every non-zero  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  [4]. It is known that if  $M$  is prime then  $\text{ann}(M)$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  [4].

**Corollary 5.10:** Let  $M$  be a prime multiplication  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective.

In the following proposition, we give a characterization of  $Q$ -modules in the class of uniform modules.

**Proposition 5.11:** Let  $M$  be a uniform  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo.

**Proof:** It follows from Th.1.6. ■

**Corollary 5.12:** Let  $M$  be an indecomposable  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module. Since  $M$  is indecomposable and quasi-injective, so  $M$  is uniform [12, Ex.32, P.244]. Hence by prop.5.11,  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo. The proof of the other direction follows from Prop. 2.1. ■

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be almost finitely generated if  $M$  is not finitely generated and every proper  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is finitely generated [20]. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called quasi-Dedekind if every non-zero  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-invertible [13]. And the  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a chained module if the  $R$ -submodules of  $M$  are ordered by inclusion. Because almost finitely generated, quasi-Dedekind and prime chained  $R$ -modules are indecomposable (see [20, Th.11], [13, Remark 1.3, Ch.2] and [13, Th.1.15]), we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 5.13:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is one of the following cases:

- 1-almost finitely generated .
- 2- quasi-Dedekind .
- 3- prime and chained.

Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo.

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module . The singular  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is the set  $Z(M)=\{m \in M : \text{ann}(m) \text{ is an essential ideal of } R\}$ .  $M$  is called singular if  $Z(M)=M$  and  $M$  is called non-singular if  $Z(M)=0$  [8].

**Theorem 5.14:** Let  $M$  be a non-singular  $R$ -module . Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $\text{End}(N) \cong \text{End}(E(N))$  for any  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module .Let  $N$  be any  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Thus  $N$  is quasi-injective . Therefore we have 
$$\frac{\text{End}(N)}{J(\text{End}(N))} \cong \frac{\text{End}(E(N))}{J(\text{End}(E(N)))}$$
 [8, Corollary

2.17]. Since  $N$  is non-singular , thus  $E(N)$  is non-singular. Again since  $N$  is non-singular ,  $J(\text{End}(N))=0$ . For if  $f \in J(\text{End}(N))=\{f \in \text{End}(N): \text{ker } f \text{ is essential } R\text{-submodule of } N\}$  [8]. Thus  $\text{ker } f$  is an essential  $R$ -submodule of  $N$  .By [13, Prop.3.13, Ch.1],  $\text{ker } f$  is a quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $N$ , and hence  $\text{Hom}(\frac{N}{\text{ker } f}, N)=0$  .

Therefore  $f=0$ . Similarly ,  $J(\text{End}(E(N)))=0$ . This prove that  $\text{End}(N) \cong \text{End}(E(N))$  for any  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  . Conversely; because  $M$  is non-singular ,then  $N$  is non-singular and hence  $E(N)$  is non-singular. Therefore  $J(\text{End}(E(N)))=0=J(\text{End}(N))$ . It follows that 
$$\frac{\text{End}(N)}{J(\text{End}(N))} \cong \frac{\text{End}(E(N))}{J(\text{End}(E(N)))}$$
 . This prove that  $N$  is quasi-injective[10]. ■

**Theorem 5.15:** Let  $M$  be a non-singular  $R$ -module. The following statements are equivalent:

- 1- $M$  is a  $Q$ -module .
- 2- $\text{End}(N) \cong \text{End}(E(N))$  for any  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .
- 3-Every quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective .
- 4-Every essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is quasi-injective .

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). By Prop.5.14.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Every  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is quasi-injective (see proof of Prop.5.14).

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). It is clear that  $M$  is a quasi-invertible  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ , and hence  $M$  is quasi-injective. Let  $N$  be a proper essential  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . By [13 ,Prop. 3.13],  $N$  is quasi-invertible and by hypothesis  $N$  is quasi-injective .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). By Th.1.6. ■

## 6-Endomorphisms rings of $Q$ -modules.

We start this section by the following lemma which is a key for next results.

**Lemma 6.1:** If  $M$  is a duo  $R$ -module, then  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative ring.

**Proof:** Let  $f, g \in \text{End}(M)$  and  $x \in M$ . Since  $M$  is duo  $R$ -module ,then  $Rx$  is a fully invariant  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  for all  $x \in M$ . Hence there exist two elements  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  such that  $f(x)=r_1 x$  and  $g(x)=r_2 x$ . Thus  $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = f(r_2 x) = r_1 (r_2 x) = (r_1 r_2)x = (r_2 r_1)x = r_2 (r_1 x) = r_2 (f(x)) = g(f(x)) = g \circ f(x)$ . ■

**Proposition 6.2:** Let  $M$  be a uniform  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, then  $M$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring.

**Proof:** Since  $M$  is a uniform  $Q$ -module , so  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo (Pro.5.11 ). Again since  $M$  is uniform and quasi-injective ,  $\text{End}(M)$  is local [12, Ex.32, P.244]. But  $M$  is duo, thus  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring (Lemma 6.1) . ■

**Proposition 6.3:** Let  $M$  be an indecomposable  $R$ -module . If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, then  $M$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring .

**Proof:** By Corollary 5.12 ,  $M$  is quasi-injective and duo. Since  $M$  is an indecomposable quasi-injective  $R$ -module , so  $\text{End}(M)$  is a local ring [12, Ex.32, P.244]. Because  $M$  is duo ,  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring (Lemma 6.1). ■

The converse of Prop.6.2 and Prop.6.3 is not true in general, for example,  $Q$  ( the set of all rational numbers ) as a  $Z$ -module is not a  $Q$ -module, but  $Q$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}(Q) \cong Q$  is a field.

In the following proposition , we give a condition under which the converse of Prop. 6.2 and Prop.6.3 is true .

**Proposition 6.4:** Let  $M$  be a  $Z$ -regular  $R$ -module , then the following statements are equivalent:

- 1- $M$  is a uniform  $Q$ -module.
- 2- $M$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring .
- 3- $M$  is an indecomposable  $Q$ -module.

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). By Prop.6.2.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). By [12, Ex.32, P.244],  $M$  is uniform. Since  $\text{End}(M)$  is commutative and  $M$  is  $Z$ -regular, then  $M$  is multiplication (Lemma5.2). Hence  $M$  is quasi-injective and multiplication and by corollary 5.3,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Since  $M$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring, so  $M$  is indecomposable [12, Ex.32, P.244]. Because  $M$  is  $Z$ -regular, every cyclic  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is a direct summand [22. Th.1.6]. But  $M$  is indecomposable, so  $M$  is cyclic. Again by Lemma 5.2 and its Corollary 5.3,  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). By Prop.6.3. ■

**Proposition 6.5:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module . If  $M$  is a quasi-Dedekind  $Q$ -module , then  $\text{End}(M)$  is a field .

**Proof:** By Corollary 5.13 ,  $M$  is duo and hence  $\text{End}(M)$  is commutative (Lemma 5.1). By [13, Prop.2.1],  $\text{End}(M)$  is an integral domain . Since  $M$  is quasi-Dedekind, so  $M$  is indecomposable [13, Remark 1.2]. Because  $M$  is quasi-injective and indecomposable,  $\text{End}(M)$  is a local ring [12, Ex32, P.244]. By [13, Corollary 3.5, Ch.2],  $J(\text{End}(M))=0$ . Therefore  $\text{End}(M)$  is a field. ■

**Proposition 6.6:** Let  $M$  be a non-singular uniform  $R$ -module . If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, then  $\text{End}(M)$  is a field .

**Proof:** By Prop.6.2,  $\text{End}(M)$  is a commutative local ring. Since  $M$  is quasi-injective and non-singular,  $J(\text{End}(M))=0$  (see the proof of Th.5.14). It follows that  $\text{End}(M)$  is a field. ■

It is known that an indecomposable quasi-injective  $R$ -module is uniform and a quasi-injective  $R$ -module with  $\text{End}(M)$  is a local ring is uniform [12, Ex.32, P.244]. Form these two fact , we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 6.7:** Let  $M$  be a non-singular  $R$ -module Then  $\text{End}(M)$  is a field in each of the following cases:

- 1-If  $M$  is an indecomposable  $Q$ -module.

2-If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module such that  $\text{End}(M)$  is a local ring.

**Proposition 6.8:** Let  $M$  be a Noetherian  $R$ -module. If  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module, then  $\text{End}(N)$  is a perfect ring for all  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Proof:** It follows from [16,P.253]. ▀

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**Proposition 6.9:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that every  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  is  $Z$ -regular. Then  $M$  is a  $Q$ -module if and only if  $\text{End}(N)$  is self injective ring for each  $R$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Proof:** It follows from [22,Th.2.5]. ▀

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### الملخص

لتكن  $R$  حلقة تبادلية ذات عنصر محايد و كل المقاسات على  $R$  هي مقاسات أحادية. تسمى الحلقة  $R$  حلقة- $q$  اذا كان كل مثالي في  $R$  هو شبه-اغماري. قدمنا في بحثنا هذا مفهوم المقاس- $Q$  بصفته أعماما إلى مفهوم حلقة- $q$ . يقال عن مقاس على الحلقة  $R$  انه مقاس- $Q$  اذا كان كل مقاس جزئي من  $M$  هو شبه-اغماري. ميزنا تلك المقاسات ودرسنا خصائصها وعلاقتها بالأصناف الأخرى من المقاسات. فضلا عن ذلك درسنا مقاسات- $Q$  على الحلقة الارتينية ودرسنا حلقات التشاكل لمقاسات- $Q$ .