# On FGDF-modules

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# Abstract

Let *R* be a unital ring and *M* a unitary module not necessary over *R*. The *FGDF*-module is a generalization of *FGDF*rings (Touré, Diop, Mohamed and Sangharé, 2014). In this work, we first give some properties of *FGDF*-modules. After that, we show that for a finitely generated module *M*, *M* is a *FGDF*-module if and only if *M* is of finite representation type module. Finally, we show that *M* is a finitely generated *FGDF*-module if and only if every Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$  is noetherian.

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# 1. Introduction

We assume that *R* is a unity ring and *M* a unitary module not necessary over *R*. Let *M* and *N* be *R*-modules. *N* is said to be generated by *M* if there exist a set  $\Lambda$  and an epimorphism  $\varphi : M^{(\Lambda)} \longrightarrow N$ . A submodule *K* of *N* is said subgenerated by *M*. The set of submodules of *N* constitutes the category  $\sigma[M]$ . It is a full subcategory of *R*-Mod whose objects are submodules of a module generated by *M* (Wisbauer, 1991).

A module *M* is said to a prime module if for any submodule *N* of *M* Ann(N) = Ann(M). A module *M* is faithful if Ann(M) = 0. A module *M* is said semisimple if it is direct sum of simple modules. A module *M* is Hopfian if every surjective endomorphism of *M* is an automorphism. *M* is a Dedekind finite module if it is not isomorphic to any proper direct summand of itself. A module *M* is said to be of finite representation type if it is of finite length and there are only a finite number of non isomorphic finitely generated indecomposable modules in  $\sigma[M]$ . A ring *R* is said to be duo-ring if any one sided ideal is two sided.

The aim of this paper comes from to the following assertion. It is well know that in a commutative ring every finitely generated module is Dedekind finite but the converse is not always true. For instance the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Q}$  is Dedekind finite but not finitely generated. In this paper, we study the modules *M* for which every Dedekind finite module in  $\sigma[M]$  is finitely generated. Those modules are called *FGDF*-modules.

# 2. Some Properties of *FGDF* -modules

Lemme 1: (Ghorbani and Haghany, 2002) corollary 1.4

Let R be a ring and M a R-module. If M is Hopfian then it is Dedekind finite.

# **Proposition 1:**

Let *R* be a ring and *M* a *R*-module. If *M* is a *FGDF*-module then, there exists a finite number of non-isomorphic simple modules in  $\sigma[M]$ .

**Proof**: Let  $\{N_i\}_I$  be a complete system of non-isomorphic class of simple modules. Let  $f : N_i \longrightarrow N_i$  an epimorphism with  $f \neq 0$  and  $i \in I$ . As  $N_i$  is simple then ker f = 0, hence,  $N_i$  is Hopfian for any  $i \in I$ . Let  $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i \in \sigma[M]$ . Since each  $N_i$  is Hopfian and fully invariant then, N is Hopfian. Therefore N is Dedekind finite by lemma 1. Since M is a *FGDF*-module then, N is finitely generated. Hence I is finite.

# **Proposition 2:**

Let *R* be a duo ring and *M* a finitely generated and prime module over End(M). If *M* is a *FGDF*-module then, *M* is a simple.

# **Proof:**

As M is finitely generated, we have an epimorphism  $f : R \to M$ . It is obvious to see that  $R/Ann(M) \simeq M$  by the first

theorem of isomorphism. It follows from 15.4 of (Wisbauer, 1991) that  $\sigma[M] = R/Ann(M)$ -Mod. Since *M* is a *FGDF*-module, then R/Ann(M) is a *FGDF*-ring. It results from (Touré, Diop and Sangharé, 2014) that R/Ann(M) is artinian. Hence *M* is artinian too. Therefore, there exists a simple submodule in *M*. Let  $g : R \to N$  be an epimorphism with *N* the simple submodule of *M*. Therefore  $R/Ann(N) \simeq N$ . Since *M* is a prime module, then R/Ann(M) = R/Ann(N) is simple.

## **Corollary 1:**

Let *R* be a duo ring and *M* a finitely generated, prime and faithful module over End(M). If *M* is a *FGDF*-module then, *R* is a field.

## **Proof:**

We have already shown in proposition 2 that R/Ann(M) is isomorphic to a simple module N. As M is a faithful then, Ann(M) = Ann(N) = 0. Hence R is a field.

## **Proposition 3:**

Let M be a module over End(M), then the following conditions are verifyed:

(1) The homomorphism image of any *FGDF*-module is a *FGDF*-module;

(2) Let  $M = \prod_{i \in I} M_i$  be a product of its submodules.

If *M* is a *FGDF*-module then  $M_i$  is a *FGDF*-module for each  $i \in I$ .

The converse is true if for any module *N* of  $\sigma[M]$  its submodules are fully invariant and  $\sigma[M_i] \cap \sigma[M_j] = 0$  with  $i \neq j$  in *I* finite.

## **Proof:**

(1) Let  $f: M \to f(M) = L$  a homomorphism image of M. Therefore L is generated by M. That means  $L \in \sigma[M]$ . Let's consider the subcategory  $\sigma[L]$  and K a Dedekind finite object of  $\sigma[L]$ . Since K is also in  $\sigma[M]$  and M is a *FGDF*-module then K is finitely generated. Hence L is a *FGDF*-module.

(2) Assume  $M = \prod_{i \in I} M_i$  a *FGDF*-module and  $f : \prod_{i \in I} M_i \to M_i$  an epimorphism. It follows from (1) that, for any  $i \in I$ ,  $M_i$  is a *FGDF*-module.

Now consider, for each  $i \in I$ ,  $M_i$  is a *FGDF*-module. As *I* is finite, then  $\prod_{i \in I} M_i$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$ . Suppose *N* a Dedekind finite element of  $\sigma[M]$ . Since  $\sigma[M_i] \cap \sigma[M_j] = 0$  with  $i \neq j$  in *I*, it follows from proposition 2.2 of (Vanaja, 1996) that  $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$  and  $N_i \in \sigma[M_i]$ . As, for each  $i \in I$ ,  $N_i$  is Dedekind finite then,  $N_i$  is finitely generated. Hence  $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$  is finitely generated since I is finite.

It is well know that a homomorphism image, a submodule or a factor of a Dedekind finite module is not in general a Dedekind finite module (Breaz, Cälugäreau and Schulz, 2011) but:

#### **Proposition 4:**

If *M* is a *FGDF*-module, then the homomorphism image of every Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$  is a Dedekind finite module.

#### **Proof:**

Let  $N \in \sigma[M]$  be a Dedekind finite module, as M is *FGDF*-module then N is finitely generated. Assume that f is a homomorphism image of N such that  $f : N \to f(N) = K$ . It is well-know that the homomorphism image of a finitely generated module is finitely generated then, K is finitely generated. Hence, K is Dedekind finite module.

#### **Proposition 5:**

If *M* is a *FGDF*-module then, every factor of a Dedekind finite module in  $\sigma[M]$  is a Dedekind finite module. Moreover if *M* is finitely generated then, every submodule of a Dedekind finite module in  $\sigma[M]$  is Dedekind finite.

**Proof:** Let *N* be a Dedekind finite object of  $\sigma[M]$ , hence *N* is finitely generated. Thus for every submodule *L* of *N*, *N/L* is finitely generated, hence a Dedekind finite module.

Now let's show that any submodule K of N is a Dedekind finite. Since N is finitely generated and is a module of over R/Ann(M) which is artinian(proposition 2), therefore N is noetherian by 15.21 of (Anderson and Fuller, 1974). It is well know that any submodule of noetherian module is finitely generated. Therefore K is finitely generated, hence of Dedekind finite.

# **Corollary 2:**

Let  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  be a *FGDF*-module with *I* finite.

*M* is a Dedekind finite module if and only if  $M_i$  is a Dedekind finite module for any  $i \in I$ .

#### **Proof:**

Assume *M* is Dedekind finite module. It follows from proposition 5 that  $M_i$  is a Dedekind finite module for any  $i \in I$ .

Now let's suppose that, for any  $i \in I$ ,  $M_i$  is a Dedekind finite module. As  $M_i \in \sigma[M]$  then  $M_i$  is finitely generated for any  $i \in I$ . Since *I* is finite, therefore  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  is finitely generated. Hence, *M* is a Dedekind finite module.

## 3. Characterizations of FGDF -modules

## Theorem 1:

Let R be a duo-ring and M a finitely generated End(R)-module. Then, the following assertions are equivalent:

(1) *M* is a *FGDF*-module;

(2) M is of finite representation type.

#### **Proof:**

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By the proposition 2, *M* is artinian. It results from 15.21 of (Anderson and Fuller 1974) that *M* is of finite length. It follows from proposition 1 that *M* is of finite representation type.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  We have already seen that  $M \simeq R/Ann(M)$ . Therefore R/Ann(M) is a finite representation type. It results from theorem 3.3 (Fall and Sangharé, 2002), theorem 1.5 (Barry, Bazubwabo and Diop, 2010) and theorem 2.1 (Touré, Diop, Mohamed, Sangharé, 2014) that *M* is a *FGDF*-module.

## Theorem 2:

Let *M* be a finitely generated module and  $\{M_{\lambda}, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  a finite set of modules. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

(1) *M* is a *FGDF*-module;

(2) Every Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$  is noetherian.

#### **Proof:**

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let *N* be a Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$ , We have showed in proposition 5 that any submodule of *N* is Dedekind finite. As *M* is a *FGDF*-module, then any submodule of *N* is finitely generated. Thus, *N* is noetherian.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  As *M* is finitely generated, therefore *M* is a Dedekind finite module, hence noetherian. Let  $f : M^{(\Lambda)} \to N$  an epimorphism. It results from the first theorem of isomorphism that  $M^{(\Lambda)}/\ker(f) \simeq N$ . Therefore *N* is noetherian. Hence any submodule of *N* is finitely generated.

#### **Corollary 3:**

Let M be a semisimple module. Then, the following assertions are equivalent:

(1) *M* is a *FGDF*-module;

(2) Every Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$  is finitely cogenerated.

#### **Proof:**

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let's show first that *M* is finitely generated. As *M* is semisimple, then  $M = \bigoplus M_{i \in I}$  where  $M_i$  is simple for any  $i \in I$ . Let  $f : M_i \longrightarrow M_i$  an epimorphism with  $f \neq 0$ . Since  $M_i$  is simple then Kerf = 0. Therefore,  $M_i$  is Hopfian for any  $i \in I$ . As, for any  $i \in I$ ,  $M_i$  is fully invariant. Therefore *M* is Hopfian, hence it is Dedekind finite. In particular  $M \in \sigma[M]$  and as *M* is a *FGDF*-module then *M* is finitely generated.

Let *N* be a Dedekind finite module of  $\sigma[M]$  then, *N* is finitely generated. It follows from proposition 2 that *N* is a module over R/Ann(M) which is an artinian ring. It results from 10.18 (Anderson and Fuller 1974) that *N* is finitely cogenerated.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let *N* be Dedekind finite module, then *N* is finitely cogenerated. As *M* is semisimple, every module of  $\sigma[M]$  is semisimple. Hence it follows from 10.6 (Anderson and Fuller 1974) that *N* is finitely generated.

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