

ON SUBMODULE TRANSFORMS $T(N)$ AND $S(N)$

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Abstract. In this paper, we give some properties on submodule transforms.

0. Introduction

Let M be a module over commutative ring R with identity, 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 $T = S$ ([9, Proposition 1.1]). In particular, if M is a faithful multiplication module then M is torsion free ([4, 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 ([9, p399]). 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 (resp. Prüfer) module* providing that every nonzero (resp. every nonzero finitely generated) submodule of M is invertible.

M is called a *multiplication module* if every submodule N of M has the form IM for some ideal I of R . An R -module M is said to be *faithful* if $\text{Ann}(M) = [0 :_R M] = 0$.

Let R be an integral domain with quotient field $Q(R)$ and let I be an ideal of R . R.Gilmer and J.Huckaba ([7]) introduced the concept of ideal transform $T(I)$ of I ; $T(I) = \cup_{n \geq 1} [R :_{Q(R)} I^n]$ and studied the problem of determining for which integral domain has the equality $T(IJ) = T(I) + T(J)$ for all ideals, or all finitely generated ideals, or all

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principal ideals I and J of R . Here $T(I) + T(J) = \{\alpha + \beta | \alpha \in T(I), \beta \in T(J)\}$, so that $T(I) + T(J)$ is not always a ring.

Ali([1]) generalized ideal transforms to submodules of modules over an integral domains as follows ; Let R be an integral domain and M a module over R . For a submodule N of M , $T(N) = \cup_{n \geq 0} [M :_{R_T} [N : M]^n N]$ where $[N : M]^0 = R$.

Consider the following conditions on M .

(T_1) $T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N)$ for all submodules K and N of M .

(T_2) $T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N)$ for all finitely generated submodules K and N of M .

We will say that M satisfies $T_1 - Property$ (resp. $T_2 - Property$) if $T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N)$ for all submodules (resp. all finitely generated submodules) K and N of M .

An R - module M is called *cancellation* if for all ideals I and J of R , $IM = JM$ implies that $I = J$. In section 2 of this paper, we find new properties of submodule transforms of a faithful multiplication module over a domain (Theorem 2.4, Theorem 2.6 and Theorem 2.7).

In section 3, we define S-transform of submodules, $S(N)$, for a submodule N of M and give some sufficient conditions for $S(N)$ to be $T(N)$ (Theorem 3.3, Theorem 3.4 and Theorem 3.5).

1. Ideal Transforms and Submodule transforms

In this section we give some properties to use in next sections.

Proposition 1.1. *Let I be an ideal of an integral domain R . Then $T(I) = T(I^n)$ for every positive integer n .*

Proof. Let $Q(R)$ be a quotient field of R and let $x \in T(I)$. Then $x \in Q(R)$ and $xI^r \subseteq R$ for some positive integer r . For any positive integer n , $I^n \subseteq I$ and hence $x(I^n)^r \subseteq xI^r \subseteq R$. So $x \in T(I^n)$. For the other inclusion, let $x \in T(I^n)$. Then $x \in Q(R)$ and $x(I^n)^s = xI^{ns} \subseteq R$ for some positive integer s . So $x \in T(I)$. \square

Faithful multiplication module M over an integral domain R is torsion free ([4, Lemma 4.1]) and hence $T = S$ ([9, Proposition 1.1-(3)]). In this case $R_T = R_S = Q(R)$.

Proposition 1.2. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication module over R and N a submodule of M . Then $T(N) = T([N : M])$.*

Proof. $T(N) = \cup_{n \geq 0} [M :_{Q(R)} [N : M]^n N] = \cup_{n \geq 0} [M :_{Q(R)} [N : M]^{n+1} M] = \cup_{n \geq 0} [R :_{Q(R)} [N : M]^{n+1}] = T([N : M])$ ([1, p26]) \square

Proposition 1.3. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication R -module, then $[IN : M] = I[N : M]$ for all ideal I of R and any submodule N of M .*

Proof. Any faithful multiplication module M over an integral domain R is finitely generated ([6, Theorem 3.1]) and finitely generated faithful multiplication module is cancellation ([10, Corollary to Theorem 9]). Since $IN = [IN : M]M$, $IN = I[N : M]M$ and M is cancellation, $[IN : M] = I[N : M]$. \square

Proposition 1.4. *Let R be an integral domain, I an ideal of R and M a faithful multiplication R -module. Then $T(IM) = T(I^n M)$ for every positive integer n .*

Proof. $T(IM) = T([IM : M]) = T(I[M : M]) = T(IR) = T(I) = T(I^n) = T(I^n[M : M]) = T([I^n M : M]) = T(I^n M)$. \square

2. Transforms $T(N)$ of Submodules

In this section we consider some properties of submodule transforms of a faithful multiplication module over a domain.

Proposition 2.1. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and let N, K be submodules of M with $[N : M]N \subseteq K \subseteq N$. Then $T(K) = T(N)$.*

Proof. By [1, Theorem 1-(1)], $T(N) \subseteq T(K)$. $T([N : M]N) = T([N : M]N : M) = T([N : M]^2) = T([N : M]) = T(N)$ ([Proposition 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3]). Since $[N : M]N \subseteq K$, $T(K) \subseteq T([N : M]N) = T(N)$. \square

Compare the following Proposition with [7, Corollary 3].

Proposition 2.2. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and let N, K be submodules of M with $T(N) \subseteq T(K)$. If K is finitely generated, then $T([K : M]N) = T(K) = T(K) + T(N)$.*

Proof. Since $T(N) \subseteq T(K)$, $T([N : M]) \subseteq T([K : M])$ ([Proposition 1.2]). We know that M is finitely generated ([6, Theorem 3.1]). Since K is finitely generated $[K : M]$ is also finitely generated ([3, Proposition 2.2-(2)]), $T([K : M][N : M]) = T([K : M]) = T([K : M]) + T([N : M])$ ([7, Corollary 3]). However, we know that $T([K : M][N : M]) =$

$T([K : M]N), T(K) = T([K : M])$ and $T(N) = T([N : M])$. Hence $T([K : M]N) = T(K) = T(K) + T(N)$. \square

Compare the following Proposition with [7, Proposition 1-(f)].

Proposition 2.3. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and let N be a submodule of M . If $T(N) = R$ or $T(N) = Q(R)$ then $T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N)$.*

Proof. Suppose that $T(N) = R$. If $x \in T([K : M]N)$, then for some nonnegative integer n , $x[[K : M]N : M]^n[K : M]N \subseteq M$. Since $[[K : M]N : M] = [K : M][N : M]$ (Proposition 1.4), we have that $x[K : M]^{n+1}[N : M]^nN \subseteq M$ and hence $x[K : M]^{n+1} \subseteq [M : [N : M]^nN] \subseteq T(N) = R$. Therefore $x \in [R : [K : M]^{n+1}] \subseteq T([K : M]) = T(K)$ ([Proposition 1.2]). Since $R \subseteq T(K)$, $T(N) \subseteq T(K)$ and so $T([K : M]N) \subseteq T(K) = T(K) + T(N)$. The other inclusion comes from [1, Theorem 1-(2)].

Now if $T(N) = Q(R)$ then $Q(R) = T(N) + T(K) \subseteq T([K : M]N)$ ([1, Theorem 1-(2)]) and since $T([K : M]N) \subseteq Q(R)$, $T([K : M]N) = Q(R) = T(K) + T(N)$. \square

Theorem 2.4. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and Λ the set of all submodule transforms of M . If M satisfies T_1 -property, then $(\Lambda, +, \cup)$ is a distributive lattice.*

Proof. Let $T(K), T(N) \in \Lambda$. Since M satisfies T_1 -property, $T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N)$. By [1, Theorem 1-(4)] we have $T(N) \cap T(K) = T(N + K)$. Hence Λ is closed under both "+" and " \cap ". It is then easy to show that Λ is a lattice. Now, to show that Λ is distributive, it is sufficient to prove that either of the distributive laws hold. We will prove that $(T(N) + T(K)) \cap T(L) = T(N) \cap T(L) + T(K) \cap T(L)$ for all $T(K), T(N), T(L) \in \Lambda$.

It is obvious that $T(N) \cap T(L) + T(K) \cap T(L) \subseteq (T(N) + T(K)) \cap T(L)$.

Note that $(T(N) + T(K)) \cap T(L) = T([K : M]N) \cap T(L) = T([K : M]N + L)$ and $[T(N) \cap T(L)] + [T(K) \cap T(L)] = T(N + L) + T(K + L) = T([(K + L) : M](N + L))$.

Therefore we prove $T([K : M]N + L) \subseteq T([(K + L) : M](N + L))$ for the other inclusion. However,

$$\begin{aligned} [(K + L) : M](N + L) &= [(K + L) : M]N + [(K + L) : M]L \\ &= [(K + L) : M][N : M]M + [(K + L) : M]L \\ &= [N : M][(K + L) : M]M + [(K + L) : M]L \\ &= [N : M](K + L) + [(K + L) : M]L \\ &= [N : M]K + [N : M]L + [(K + L) : M]L. \end{aligned}$$

Since M is a multiplication module, $[N : M]K = [N : M][K : M]M = [K : M][N : M]M = [K : M]N$. Hence, $[N : M]K + [N : M]L + [(K + L) : M]L \subseteq [N : M]K + L = [K : M]N + L$.

Again by [1, Theorem 1-(1)], $T([K : M]N + L) \subseteq T([(K + L) : M](N + L))$ and we complete our proof. \square

We give a partial answer for the converse of above Theorem.

Corollary 2.5. *Let R be a Noetherian domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and Λ the set of all submodule transforms of M . If $(\Lambda, +, \cap)$ is a distributive lattice, then M satisfies T_1 -property.*

Proof. Let $\bar{\Lambda}$ be the set of all finitely generated submodule transforms of M . Since M is Noetherian ([5, Proposition 2.10]) $\Lambda = \bar{\Lambda}$.

Hence we know that M satisfies T_1 -property if and only if M satisfies T_2 -property. If $(\Lambda, +, \cap)$ is a distributive lattice then $(\bar{\Lambda}, +, \cap)$ is a distributive lattice. So M satisfies T_2 -property ([1, Corollary 9]) and hence M satisfies T_1 -property. \square

Theorem 2.6. *Let R be a Noetherian domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and Λ the set of all submodule transforms of M . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) M satisfies T_1 -property.
- (2) $(\Lambda, +, \cap)$ is a distributive lattice.
- (3) $(\Lambda, +, \cap)$ is a lattice.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) It follows from Theorem 2.4.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) It is clear.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) It follows from [1, Corollary 9] and $\Lambda = \bar{\Lambda}$ ([5, Proposition 2.10]). \square

Theorem 2.7. *T_1 -property holds in a faithful multiplication Dedekind module M over an integral domain R .*

Proof. As M is Noetherian ([2, Theorem 2.4]), M satisfies T_1 -property if and only if M satisfies T_2 -property. Furthermore M is Prüfer ([2, Theorem 2.4]). The result comes from ([1, Proposition 4]). \square

Proposition 2.8. *Let R be an integral domain, M a faithful multiplication R -module and Γ be the lattice of all submodules of M , Λ the set of all submodule transforms of M . If M satisfies T_1 -property, then the map $\phi : (\Gamma, +, \cap) \rightarrow (\Lambda, +, \cap)$ defined by $\phi(N) = T(N)$ is an order*

reversing lattice homomorphism which interchanges the operations " + " and " \cap ".

Proof. For any $N, K \in \Gamma$ with $N \subseteq K$, $T(K) \subseteq T(N)$ and hence $\phi(N) = T(N) \supseteq \phi(K) = T(K)$.

$$\phi(N + K) = T(N + K) = T(N) \cap T(K) \text{ ([1, Theorem 1-(4)]).}$$

$$\phi(N \cap K) = T(N \cap K) = T([K : M]N) = T(K) + T(N) \text{ (1, [Theorem 1-(3)]).} \quad \square$$

3. Transforms $S(N)$ of submodules

Hays([8]) defined S -transform, $S(I)$, of an ideal I of an integral domain R with quotient field $Q(R)$; $S(I)$ is the set of elements $x \in Q(R)$ such that for each $a \in I$, $xa^{n_a} \in R$ for some positive integer n_a . Author gave some relations between $T(I)$ and $S(I)$. Now we generalize S -transform for ideals of a ring R to submodules of faithful multiplication modules over an integral domains.

Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication module over R .

We define S -transform $S(N)$ for a submodule N of M to be the set of elements $x \in Q(R)$ such that for each $a \in [N : M]$ and for some positive integer n_a , $xa^{n_a}N \subseteq M$.

In this section we prove some properties about $S(N)$ and we give some sufficient conditions for $S(N)$ to be $T(N)$.

Proposition 3.1. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication module over R . For any submodule N of M , $T(N) \subseteq S(N)$.*

Proof. It is obvious. \square

Proposition 3.2. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication module over R . For submodules N, K of M , if $N \subseteq K$ then $S(K) \subseteq S(N)$.*

Proof. Let a be any element in $[N : M]$ and let $x \in S(K)$. Then $a \in [K : M]$ and there exists some positive integer n_a such that $xa^{n_a}K \subseteq M$. Hence $xa^{n_a}N \subseteq xa^{n_a}K \subseteq M$ and $x \in S(N)$. \square

Compare the following Theorem with [8, Theorem 1.3].

Theorem 3.3. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication module over R . If N is a finitely generated submodule of M then $T(N) = S(N)$.*

Proof. It is sufficient to show that $S(N) \subseteq T(N)$. Let $x \in S(N)$. Since N is a finitely generated submodule of M , $[N:M]$ is also a finitely generated ideal of R ([3, Proposition 2.2-(2)]). Now put $[N : M] = (a_1, \dots, a_r)$ for some $a_i \in R$. Since $x \in S(N)$, there exist positive integers n_i such that $xa_i^{n_i}N \subseteq M$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$. Let $n = \sum_{i=1}^r n_i$. Then $[N : M]^n$ is generated by elements of the form $a_1^{m_1} \dots a_r^{m_r}$ with $\sum_{i=1}^r m_i = n$. Thus $m_i \geq n_i$ for some i ($1 \leq i \leq r$). Hence $x[N : M]^n N \subseteq M$ and $x \in T(N)$. \square

Compare the following Propositions with [8, Lemma 1.11 and Lemma 1.12].

Theorem 3.4. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication module over R . If one of the following conditions hold, then $T(N) = S(N)$.*

(1) *there exists finitely generated submodule $K \subseteq N$ such that $T(K) = T(N)$.*

(2) *there exists finitely generated submodule $K \subseteq N$ such that $[N : M]N \subseteq K \subseteq N$.*

Proof. First, we assume that condition (1) holds. We show that $S(N) \subseteq T(N)$ because of $T(N) \subseteq S(N)$ ([Proposition 3.1]).

$S(N) \subseteq S(K)$ ([Proposition 3.2]) and $S(K) = T(K)$ ([Theorem 3.3]). Therefore $S(N) \subseteq T(K) = T(N)$.

Now we assume that condition (2) holds. $T([N : M]N) = T([N : M]N : M) = T([N : M][N : M]) = T([N : M]) = T(N)$. Since $[N : M]N \subseteq K$, $T(K) \subseteq T([N : M]N) = T(N) \subseteq T(K)$. By (1), $T(N) = S(N)$. \square

An R - module M is called *valuation module* if for all $m, n \in M$, $Rm \subseteq Rn$ or $Rn \subseteq Rm$. Equivalently, for all submodules N, K of M , either $N \subseteq K$ or $K \subseteq N$. ([2])

Theorem 3.5. *Let R be an integral domain and M a faithful multiplication valuation module over R . If $N \neq [N : M]N$ then $T(N) = S(N)$.*

Proof. Let $n \in N - [N : M]N$. Then $Rn \not\subseteq (N : M)N$. Since M is a valuation module, $(N : M)N \subseteq Rn (\subseteq N)$. Hence $T(N) \subseteq T(Rn) \subseteq T([N : M]N)$ and $T([N : M]N) = T([N : M][N : M]M) = T([N : M]^2M) = T([N : M]M)$ ([Proposition 1.3]) = $T(N)$. Thus $T(N) = T(Rn)$.

Hence we obtain our result from Theorem 3.4-(1). \square

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