

FINITELY GENERATED G -PROJECTIVE MODULES OVER PVMDS

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ABSTRACT. Let M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module over a PVMD R . We prove that M is projective if and only if the canonical map $\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$ is a surjective homomorphism. Particularly, if $G\text{-gldim}(R) \leq \infty$ and $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M) = 0$ ($i \geq 1$), then M is projective.

1. Introduction

Throughout this note, all rings are commutative with identity element and all modules are unitary. For convenience, we denote the R -module $\text{Hom}_R(X, R)$ and $\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(X, R), R)$ by X^* and X^{**} respectively for any R -module X .

Let R be a domain with quotient field K . For a fractional ideal J of R , J^{-1} is defined as follows:

$$J^{-1} = \{x \in K \mid xJ \subset R\}.$$

A finitely generated ideal J is said to be a GV -ideal (denoted by $J \in GV(R)$) if $J^{-1} = R$. An element x of an R -module M is said to be GV -torsion if there exists some $J \in GV(R)$ such that $Jx = 0$. An R -module M is said to be GV -torsion if every element of M is GV -torsion. If for any $x \in M$ and any $J \in GV(R)$, $Jx = 0$ implies $x = 0$, then M is said to be GV -torsion-free. The w -envelope M_w of a GV -torsion-free module M is defined by $M_w = \{x \in E(M) \mid Jx \subset M \text{ for some } J \in GV(R)\}$.

In 1997, Wang and McCasland [19] introduced the concept of w -modules over a domain. A GV -torsion-free module is a w -module if and only if $M_w = M$. A fractional ideal I of a domain R is said to be w -invertible when $(II^{-1})_w = R$. A domain R is said to be a PVMD when any nonzero finitely generated ideal of R is w -invertible. Equivalently, R is a PVMD if and only if $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a valuation domain for any maximal w -ideal \mathfrak{m} . Since coherent domains are finite conductor domains, it follows from [22, Theorem 2] that coherent integrally closed domains are PVMDs.

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It was proved in [3, Corollary 2.3] that the class of all Gorenstein projective (G -projective for short) R -modules and the class of all projective R -modules are the same class when $\text{wgl}\dim(R) \leq \infty$. Particularly, if R is a Prüfer domain, then any G -projective R -module is projective. Since PVMDs are a kind of generalization of Prüfer domains, it is natural to ask whether G -projective modules over PVMDs are projective or not. In this paper, we prove that if M is a finitely generated G -projective R -module over a PVMD R , then M is projective if and only if the canonical map $\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$ is a surjective homomorphism.

Recall a left R -module M is called FP-injective [16] if $\text{Ext}_R^1(F, M) = 0$ for any finitely presented left R -module F . Accordingly the FP-injective dimension of M , denoted by $\text{FP-id}_R(M)$, is defined to be the smallest $n \geq 0$ such that $\text{Ext}_R^{n+1}(F, M) = 0$ for all finitely presented left R -modules F (if no such n exists, set $\text{FP-id}_R(M) = \infty$). An n -FC ring is a coherent ring with self-FP-injective dimension n , i.e., $\text{FP-id}_R(R) \leq n$. These rings were introduced and studied by Ding and Chen in [8] and [9]. An n -FC ring is also called “a Ding-Chen ring” in [12]. In this paper, we prove that if R is a coherent and integrally closed domain such that $\text{FP-id}_R(R) \leq n$ (or $\text{wGldim}(R) \leq n$) and if M is a finitely generated G -projective R -module such that $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M) = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$), then M is projective. We also prove that if R is a PVMD such that $\text{G-gldim}(R) \leq \infty$, then finitely generated self-orthogonal G -projective R -modules are projective. For unexplained concepts and notations, one can refer to [1, 10, 13, 15].

2. Weak Gorenstein projective modules over PVMDs

The author in [11] introduced weak Gorenstein projective modules. Recall that an R -module M is called weak Gorenstein projective if there exists an exact sequence of projective R -modules $P = \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \cdots$ such that: $M = \ker(P^0 \rightarrow P^1)$. Obviously, any Gorenstein projective module is weak Gorenstein projective. Let R be a PVMD and M be a weak Gorenstein projective R -module. Next we will prove that $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ module for any maximal w -ideal \mathfrak{m} . First we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. *Let R be a ring such that $\text{wgl}\dim(R) \leq \infty$. Then any weak Gorenstein projective R -module is projective.*

Proof. Let M be a weak Gorenstein projective R -module. There exists the following exact sequence of projective R -modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_n} P_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} P_{-1} \xrightarrow{d_{-1}} P_{-2} \longrightarrow \cdots$$

such that: $M = \text{Im}(d_0)$. Denote the image of d_i by K_i , we get the following short exact sequences:

$$0 \longrightarrow K_i \longrightarrow P_{i-1} \longrightarrow K_{i-1} \longrightarrow 0, (i \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

By adding such sequences, we get the following short exact sequence:

$$(1) \quad 0 \longrightarrow \bigoplus K_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus P_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus K_i \longrightarrow 0.$$

By combining such sequences one by one, we can get an exact sequence of sufficient length:

$$0 \longrightarrow \bigoplus K_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus P_i \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \bigoplus P_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus K_i \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since $\text{wgl dim}(R) \leq \infty$, it is easy to see that $\bigoplus K_i$ is flat. Considering sequence (1), we will get that $\bigoplus K_i$ is projective by [7, Theorem 2.5]. Because $M = \text{Im}(d_0) = K_0$, we get that M is also projective. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let R be a PVMD and \mathfrak{m} be a maximal w -ideal. If M is a G -projective R -module, then $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module.*

Proof. Since R is a PVMD and \mathfrak{m} is a maximal w -ideal, $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a valuation domain, and hence $\text{wgl dim}(R_{\mathfrak{m}}) \leq 1$. By Lemma 2.1, we only need to prove that $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a weak Gorenstein projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module. Because M is a Gorenstein projective R -module, there exists an exact sequence of projective R -modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_n} P_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} P_{-1} \xrightarrow{d_{-1}} P_{-2} \longrightarrow \cdots$$

such that: $M = \text{Im}(d_0)$. Since $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a flat R -module, we can get the following exact sequence of projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules:

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d'_n} (P_{n-1})_{\mathfrak{m}} \xrightarrow{d'_{n-1}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d'_1} (P_0)_{\mathfrak{m}} \xrightarrow{d'_0} (P_{-1})_{\mathfrak{m}} \xrightarrow{d'_{-1}} (P_{-2})_{\mathfrak{m}} \longrightarrow \cdots$$

such that: $M_{\mathfrak{m}} = \text{Im}(d'_0)$. Therefore $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a weak Gorenstein projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module. \square

In 2010, Yin et al. [21] defined w -modules over general commutative rings. A finitely generated ideal J of R is called a Glaz-Vasconcelos ideal (GV -ideal for short), denoted by $J \in GV(R)$, if the natural homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow J^* = \text{Hom}_R(J, R)$ is an isomorphism. Equivalently, $J \in GV(R)$ if and only if $\text{Hom}_R(R/J, R) = 0$ and $\text{Ext}_R^1(R/J, R) = 0$. A module M is called a w -module if $\text{Hom}_R(R/J, M) = 0$ and $\text{Ext}_R^1(R/J, M) = 0$ for any $J \in GV(R)$. This definition is consistent with that over domains. It is easy to see that free modules, hence projective modules are w -modules. Next we show that weak Gorenstein projective R -modules are w -modules.

Proposition 2.3. *If M is a weak Gorenstein projective R -module, then M is a w -module.*

Proof. Since M is weak Gorenstein projective, there exists a short exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0,$$

where P is projective and N is a submodule of some free module. Because free modules are GV -torsion-free, N is also GV -torsion-free. Notice that P is also a w -module, we get that M is a w -module by [18, Theorem 6.1.17]. \square

Since G -projective modules are weak Gorenstein projective, we surely get that any G -projective modules are w -modules.

Let S be a multiplicative closed set in the ring R , M and N be R -modules. Since we need localization, we consider the following homomorphism of R_S -modules:

$$\varphi : \text{Hom}_R(M, N)_S \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_S}(M_S, N_S)$$

such that:

$$\varphi\left(\frac{f}{s}\right)\left(\frac{x}{1}\right) = \frac{f(x)}{s},$$

where $s \in S$, $x \in M$ and $f \in \text{Hom}_R(M, N)$. The following lemma is (6) and (8) of [17, Theorem 3.4.8].

Lemma 2.4. *Let S be a multiplicative closed set which is consisted of some nonzero-divisors in the ring R , M and N be R -modules, N be torsion-free.*

- (1) *If M is finitely generated, then φ is an isomorphism.*
- (2) *If M is a submodule of some finitely presented module F and $(\frac{F}{M})_S$ is a projective R_S -module, then φ is an isomorphism.*

Let R be a domain and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module. Immediately we get the following isomorphism of $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules:

$$\varphi_M : \text{Hom}_R(M, M)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}}),$$

where \mathfrak{m} is any prime ideal. Furthermore, we can prove the following proposition.

Proposition 2.5. *Let R be a PVMD and M a finitely generated G -projective R -module and \mathfrak{m} be a maximal w -ideal. Then the canonical homomorphism of $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules:*

$$\eta : \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}}), R_{\mathfrak{m}})$$

is an isomorphism.

Proof. By Lemma 2.4, we only need to prove that the module $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ is a submodule of some finitely presented module F and $(\frac{F}{\text{Hom}_R(M, M)})_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module. Since M is finitely generated G -projective, there exists a short exact sequence of R -modules:

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P \rightarrow G \rightarrow 0,$$

where P is finitely generated and projective and G is G -projective by [20, Proposition 2.6]. Without loss of generality, we can assume that $M \subset P$ and P is finitely generated free. Applying the functor $\text{Hom}_R(M, -)$ on this sequence, we get that the following exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, P) \\ \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, G) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M, M) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since P is finitely generated free, $\text{Hom}_R(M, P)$ is isomorphic to a finite direct sum of some copies of $M^* = \text{Hom}_R(M, R)$. Since M^* is super finitely presented

by [20, Proposition 2.6], $\text{Hom}_R(M, P)$ is finitely presented. So we can let $F = \text{Hom}_R(M, P)$. In order to prove that $(\frac{F}{\text{Hom}_R(M, M)})_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module, we apply the functor $\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, -)$ on the short exact sequence of $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules:

$$0 \longrightarrow M_{\mathfrak{m}} \longrightarrow P_{\mathfrak{m}} \longrightarrow G_{\mathfrak{m}} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Because $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module by Theorem 2.2, we get the following exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}}) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, P_{\mathfrak{m}}) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, G_{\mathfrak{m}}) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since $G_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is also a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module by Theorem 2.2, the $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module $\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, G_{\mathfrak{m}})$ is projective. Therefore by Lemma 2.4,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{F}{\text{Hom}_R(M, M)}\right)_{\mathfrak{m}} &= \left(\frac{\text{Hom}_R(M, P)}{\text{Hom}_R(M, M)}\right)_{\mathfrak{m}} \cong \frac{\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, P_{\mathfrak{m}})}{\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}})} \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, G_{\mathfrak{m}}) \end{aligned}$$

is also a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module. □

Lemma 2.6 ([21, Theorem 2.8]). *Let A be an R -module and M a w -module. Then $\text{Hom}_R(A, M)$ is a w -module. In particular, A^* and A^{**} are w -modules. Therefore, reflexive modules are w -modules.*

Since G -projective modules are w -modules, we get that $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ is a w -module for any G -projective module M .

Lemma 2.7 ([17, Theorem 8.3.2]). *Let A, B be w -modules and $f : A \rightarrow B$ a homomorphism. Then f is an isomorphism if and only if $f_{\mathfrak{m}} : A_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is an isomorphism for any maximal w -ideal \mathfrak{m} of R .*

Let M be an R -module. Define

$$\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$$

by

$$\theta(a \otimes f)(g) = f(g(a)), \quad a \in M, f \in M^*, g \in \text{Hom}_R(M, M).$$

If M is a finitely generated projective module, then θ is an isomorphism by [17, Theorem 3.4.5]. Next we prove that if M is a finitely generated G -projective module over a PVMD, then the converse also holds.

Let R be a domain. For any module X , denote the GV -torsion submodule of X by

$$\text{Tor}_{GV}(X) = \{x \in X \mid Jx = 0 \text{ for some } GV \text{ ideal } J \text{ of } R\}.$$

$\text{Tor}_{GV}(X)$ is the maximal GV -torsion submodule of X .

Lemma 2.8. *Let R be a PVMD and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module.*

$$\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$$

is defined as above. Then both $\text{coker}(\theta)$ and $\text{ker}(\theta)$ are GV -torsion. Furthermore, $\text{ker}(\theta)$ is exactly $\text{Tor}_{GV}(M \otimes_R M^)$.*

Proof. Since a module N is GV -torsion if and only if $N_{\mathfrak{m}} = 0$ for any maximal w -ideal \mathfrak{m} of R [18, Theorem 6.2.15], we only need to prove that

$$\theta_{\mathfrak{m}} : (M \otimes_R M^*)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow (\mathrm{Hom}_R(\mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M), R))_{\mathfrak{m}}$$

is an isomorphism. Because $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module, the canonical map:

$$(M_{\mathfrak{m}} \otimes_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}} M_{\mathfrak{m}}^*) \rightarrow (\mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(\mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}}), R_{\mathfrak{m}}))$$

is an isomorphism by Lemma [17, Theorem 3.4.5]. Notice that

$$\eta : \mathrm{Hom}_R(\mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M), R)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(\mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}}), R_{\mathfrak{m}})$$

is an isomorphism by Proposition 2.5. It follows from the canonical isomorphism $(M \otimes_R M^*)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow (M_{\mathfrak{m}} \otimes_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}} M_{\mathfrak{m}}^*)$ that $\theta_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is also an isomorphism. \square

Let M be an R -module. Define

$$\xi : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M)$$

by

$$\xi(x \otimes f)(y) = f(y)x, \quad x \in M, \quad y \in M, \quad f \in M^* = \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, R).$$

The following result can be found in [14, Exercise 2.20].

Lemma 2.9. *Let R be any ring and*

$$\xi : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M) = \mathrm{End}(M)$$

be defined as above. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) M is a finitely generated projective module.
- (2) ξ is an isomorphism.
- (3) ξ is a surjective homomorphism.

We still need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.10. *Let R be a PVMD and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module.*

$$\xi : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M)$$

is defined as above. Then both $\mathrm{coker}(\xi)$ and $\mathrm{ker}(\xi)$ are GV -torsion. Furthermore, $\mathrm{ker}(\xi)$ is exactly $\mathrm{Tor}_{GV}(M \otimes_R M^)$.*

Proof. Since

$$\varphi_M : \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, M)_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}(M_{\mathfrak{m}}, M_{\mathfrak{m}})$$

is an isomorphism for any maximal w -ideal \mathfrak{m} by Lemma 2.4, the proof is similar to that of Lemma 2.8. \square

Now we can prove the main theorem of this section.

Theorem 2.11. *Let R be a PVMD and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module. If θ and ξ are defined as in Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 respectively, then there exists an isomorphism $\psi : \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ and we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & T & \longrightarrow & M \otimes M^* & \xrightarrow{\theta} & \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R) \longrightarrow \text{coker}\theta \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow \psi \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & T & \longrightarrow & M \otimes M^* & \xrightarrow{\xi} & \text{Hom}_R(M, M) \longrightarrow \text{coker}\xi \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

where $T = \text{Tor}_{GV}(M \otimes_R M^*)$ and α is also an isomorphism.

Proof. By Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.10, we have $\ker\theta = \ker\xi = T$. Thus we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & T & \longrightarrow & M \otimes M^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Im}\theta \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow \delta \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & T & \longrightarrow & M \otimes M^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Im}\xi \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

where δ is also an isomorphism by Five Lemma. If we denote the inclusion map $\text{Im}\xi \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ by λ , then $\lambda\delta$ is a homomorphism from $\text{Im}\theta$ to $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$. Because $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ is a w -module and $\text{coker}\theta$ is GV -torsion, $\text{Ext}_R^1(\text{coker}\theta, \text{Hom}_R(M, M)) = 0$ by [18, Theorem 6.2.7]. Now, we denote the module $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ by H . By using the functor $\text{Hom}_R(-, H)$ on the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Im}\theta \xrightarrow{i} \text{Hom}_R(H, R) \longrightarrow \text{coker}\theta \longrightarrow 0,$$

we get the following exact sequence:

$$\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(H, R), H) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Im}\theta, H) \longrightarrow 0.$$

This means that for the homomorphism $\lambda\delta : \text{Im}\theta \rightarrow H$, there exists a homomorphism ψ from $\text{Hom}_R(H, R)$ to H such that $\lambda\delta = \psi i$. Therefore, we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Im}\theta & \xrightarrow{i} & \text{Hom}_R(H, R) & \longrightarrow & \text{coker}\theta \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \alpha \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Im}\xi & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & H & \longrightarrow & \text{coker}\xi \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

where α is induced by the left commutative square. Now, combining the above two horizontal ladders, we get the desired commutative diagram. Let \mathfrak{m} be any maximal w -ideal of R . Then $M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a projective $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ module by Lemma 2.2. Since $\text{coker}\theta$ and $\text{coker}\xi$ are GV -torsion, $\xi_{\mathfrak{m}} = \psi_{\mathfrak{m}}\theta_{\mathfrak{m}}$. It can be seen from the proof of Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.10 that $\xi_{\mathfrak{m}}$ and $\theta_{\mathfrak{m}}$ are isomorphisms. Therefore $\psi_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is also an isomorphism. Since G -projective modules are w -modules, $H^* =$

$\text{Hom}_R(H, R)$ and $H = \text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ are w -modules by Lemma 2.6. Thus ψ is an isomorphism by Lemma 2.7. So α is also an isomorphism by Five Lemma. \square

Corollary 2.12. *Let R be a PVMD and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module. If θ and ξ are defined as in Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 respectively, then M is projective if and only if θ is a surjective homomorphism.*

Proof. By Lemma 2.9, M is projective if and only if ξ is a surjective homomorphism, that is, if and only if $\text{coker}\xi = 0$. By Lemma 2.11, $\text{coker}\xi \cong \text{coker}\theta$. Therefore, M is projective if and only if $\text{coker}\theta = 0$, that is to say, if and only if θ is a surjective homomorphism. \square

3. Some sufficient conditions for G -projective modules over PVMDs to be projective

Let R be a ring. An R -module M is called FP-injective (or absolutely pure) if $\text{Ext}_R^1(N, M) = 0$ for all finitely presented left R -modules N . The FP-injective dimension of M , denoted by $\text{FP-id}(M)$, is defined to be the smallest nonnegative integer n such that $\text{Ext}_R^{n+1}(F, M) = 0$ for every finitely presented R -module F (if no such n exists, set $\text{FP-id}(M) = \infty$).

Lemma 3.1. *Let R be an n -FC ring and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module. If $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M) = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$), then*

$$\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$$

is a surjective homomorphism.

Proof. As a finitely generated submodule of a free module over a coherent ring, M is in fact finitely presented. So we have the following exact sequence

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_n} F_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_3} F_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} F_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} F_0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0,$$

where the F_i 's are finitely generated free modules. Denote the image of d_i by N_i . Then we have $\text{Ext}_R^1(N_i, M) \cong \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(M, M) = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$). Using the functor $\text{Hom}_R(-, M)$ on this sequence, we get the following two exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N_1, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(F_1, M) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(F_n, M) \rightarrow D \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(F_0, M) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N_1, M) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where D is the cokernel of the map $\text{Hom}_R(F_{n-1}, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(F_n, M)$. Denote $\text{Hom}_R(N_1, M)$ by L . Then we have that $\text{Ext}_R^1(L, R) \cong \text{Ext}_R^{n+1}(D, R)$ since all these $\text{Hom}(F_i, M)$ are Gorenstein projective. It can be seen that all the

modules that appeared in these sequences are finitely presented. Because $\text{FP-id}_R(R) \leq n$, $\text{Ext}_R^{n+1}(D, R) = 0$ holds. Therefore, $\text{Ext}_R^1(L, R) = 0$. Now, using the functor $\text{Hom}(-, R)$ on the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(F_0, M) \longrightarrow L \longrightarrow 0,$$

we get the following exact sequence.

$$\text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(F_0, M), R) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Thus, we get the following commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F_0 \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(M, R) & \longrightarrow & M \otimes_R M^* \longrightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \theta_{F_0} & & \downarrow \theta \\ \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(F_0, M), R) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R) \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

Since θ_{F_0} is an isomorphism by [17, Theorem 3.4.5], θ is a surjective homomorphism. □

Recall that the weak Gorenstein global dimensions ($\text{wGgldim}(R)$) of rings [5] is defined as follows: $\text{wGgldim}(R) = \sup\{\text{Gfd}_R(M) \mid M \text{ is an } R\text{-module}\}$. From [9, Theorem 7] (see also [2] and [4]), for a positive integer n and a commutative coherent ring R , $\text{wGgldim}(R) = n$ if and only if R is an n -FC ring. Recall that a finitely generated R -module M is called self-orthogonal [6] if $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M) = 0$ for any $i \geq 1$.

Lemma 3.2. *Let R be a ring such that $\text{G-gldim}(R) < \infty$ and M be a finitely generated G -projective R -module. If M is self-orthogonal, then*

$$\theta : M \otimes_R M^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(\text{Hom}_R(M, M), R)$$

is a surjective homomorphism.

Proof. Since $\text{G-gldim}(R) < \infty$, M is *super finitely presented* by [20, Corollary 3.4]. Also notice that the module L which appears in the proof of Lemma 3.1 is G -projective, and so $\text{Ext}_R^1(L, R) = 0$. Thus the rest of the proof is similar to that of Lemma 3.1. □

Theorem 3.3. *Let R be a coherent and integrally closed domain such that $\text{FP-id}_R(R) \leq n$ or $(\text{wGgldim}(R) \leq n)$. If M is a finitely generated G -projective module such that $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, M) = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$), then M is projective.*

Proof. Since R is a coherent integrally closed domain, R is a PVMD. In order to prove that M is projective, we only need to show that θ is a surjective homomorphism by Corollary 2.12. But this follows from Lemma 3.1. □

Theorem 3.4. *Let R be a PVMD with $\text{G-gldim}(R) < \infty$. Then any finitely generated self-orthogonal G -projective module over R is projective.*

Proof. The result follows from Corollary 2.12 since θ is a surjective homomorphism by Lemma 3.2. \square

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