



RELATIVE COHERENT MODULES OVER ENDOMORPHISM RINGS

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ABSTRACT

Let M_R is a right R -module over a ring R with $S = \text{End}(M_R)$, n is a nonnegative integer; L is a class of right R -module. we study the coherence of the left S -module ${}_sM$ relative to L class, many extending known results.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this article, all rings are associative with identity and all modules are unitary. For a ring R , we write $\text{Mod-}R$ for the category of all right R -modules. M_R (${}_R M$) denotes a right (left) R -module. As usual, $E(M)$ denotes the injective envelope of M . For a module M_R , we denote by $S = \text{End}(M_R)$ the endomorphism ring of M_R and by $\text{Add } M_R$ (resp. $\text{add } M_R$) the category consisting of all modules isomorphic to direct summands of (finite) direct sums of copies of M_R . The category consisting of all modules isomorphic to direct summands of direct products of copies of M_R is denoted by $\text{Prod}(M_R)$.

We first recall some known notions and facts which we need in the later sections.

Following T.Y.lam (1998), a flat right R -module have the following equivalent characterization:

Every homomorphism $f : K \rightarrow N$ with K finitely presented factors through a finitely generated projective module. The equivalent characterization has been investigated by many authors. \mathfrak{T} -flat left R -module was intruded and studied in N.Q. Ding et.al (1993). A left R -module N is \mathfrak{T} -flat module if every homomorphism $f : K \rightarrow N$ with K \mathfrak{T} -finitely presented factors through a finitely generated free module; or equivalently, if for any \mathfrak{T} -finitely presented left R -module P and homomorphism $f : P \rightarrow M$, there is a finitely generated free module F and homomorphism $g : P \rightarrow F$, $h : f \rightarrow M$ such that $f = hg$. in Li.Xi. Mao et.al (2007), a left R -module N is \mathfrak{T} - M -flat module if every homomorphism $f : K \rightarrow N$ with K \mathfrak{T} -finitely presented factors through a module of $\text{add } M_R$.

Clarke (1976) called M_R an R -Mittag-Leffler module if the canonical map $M \otimes R^J \rightarrow M^J$ is a monomorphism for every set J , or equivalently, if for every finitely generated submodule N of M , the inclusion $N \rightarrow M$ factors through a finitely generated right R -module (see Goodearl, 1972, Theorem 1 or Clarke, 1976, Theorem 2.4). The concept of R -Mittag-Leffler modules was called finitely pure-projective modules by Azumaya (see Azumaya, 1987, Note added in proof, p.134). A right R -module N is \mathfrak{T} -Mittag-Leffer (see Li.Xi.Mao and N.Q.Ding 2007) if every homomorphism $f : K \rightarrow N$ with K \mathfrak{T} -finitely presented factors through a finitely presented right R -module. For further concepts and notations about \mathfrak{T} -Mittag-Leffer R -module, we refer the reader to Li Xi Mao et.al (2007).

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Let $\tau = (F, C)$ of classes of right R-modules is a cotorsion theory. A right R-module is τ -finitely generated if there is a finitely generated submodule M' of M such that $M/M' \in \tau$. A right R-module is τ -finitely presented if there exists an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow F \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$, where F is finitely generated free and K is τ -finitely generated. Let n is a nonnegative integer. A right R-module is τ - n -finitely presented if there exists an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K_n \rightarrow F_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$. where F_i is finitely generated free and K is τ -finitely generated.

The main purpose of this article is to extend the above mentioned fact to a more general setting. In section 2, we introduce the concept of L-finitely generated, L-finitely presented, by expanding the concept of τ - M -flat module and τ -Mittag-Leffler module, we got the concept of L-n-M-flat module and L-n-Mittag-Leffler module, given some basic properties of the above concepts.

2. DEFINITION AND GENERAL RESULTS

In this section first we define L-n-M-flat module and L-n-Mittag-Leffler module, study the basic properties of them.

Definition 2.1: Let L is a class of module, M_R is a right R-module, n is non-negative integer. M_R is L-finitely generated if M_R have a finitely generated L-dense submodule. Or equivalently, there exist a finitely generated submodule N of M . such that $M/N \in L$.

A right R-module M is L-finitely presented if there exist an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow F \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$, where F is finitely generated free and K is L-finitely generated.

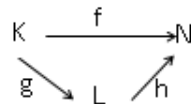
A right R-module M is L-n-presented if there exists a sequence $0 \rightarrow K_n \rightarrow F_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$. where F_i is finitely generated free and K_n is L-finitely generated.

Remark 2.1:

- (1) If M is finitely generated (or finitely presented, n -presented, L- n -presented).
- (2) Every L-finitely presented module (L- n -presented module) is finitely generated (n -1-presented).
- (3) If $L = \{0\}$, then M is L-finitely generated (L-finitely presented L- n -presented) if and only if M is finitely generated (finitely presented, n -presented).
- (4) If $L = R\text{-MOD}$, then M is L-finitely presented (L- n -presented) if and only if M is finitely generated (n -1-presented).

Definition 2.2: Let M_R is a right R-module, L is a class of module, n is non-negative integer.

A right R-module N is L-n-M-flat (n -M-flat) if every homomorphism $K \rightarrow N$ factor through a module of add M_R , where K is L-n-presented (n -presented). Equivalently there is $L \in \text{add}M_R$ and homomorphism g, h , such that the diagram



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A right R-module N is L-n-Mittag-Leffler if every homomorphism $K \rightarrow N$ factor through a n -presented module, where K is L-n-presented.

Remark 2.2:

- (1) By definitions, the class of L-n-M-flat right R-module is closed under direct summands and finite direct sums. L-n-M-flat R-module are always n -M-flat.
- (2) If $N \in \text{add}M_R$. then N is L-n-M-flat. The converse holds if N is L-n-finitely presented.
- (3) A L-n- R_R -flat right R-module is L-n-Mittag-Leffler module.
- (4) Let $L = \{0\}$, then every right R-module is L-n-Mittag-Leffler module.

It is clear that L-n-Mittag-Leffler are generalizations of both R-Mittag-Leffler module [9] and τ -M-flat module [12]. The following proposition is also easy to verify.

Proposition 2.1: Let N be a right R -module. Then:

- (1) N is L - n - M -flat if and only if N is both n - M -flat and L - n -Mittag-Leffler for a n -presented M ;
- (2) N is n -presented if and only if N is both L - n -presented module and L - n -Mittag-Leffler.
- (3) Every right R -module is L - n -Mittag-Leffler if and only if every L - n -present module is n -presented.

Proof: by definitions, it is clearly.

In [12] a right R -module epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ is called n -pure if for any n -presented P $f_* : Hom_R(P, L) \rightarrow Hom_R(P, N)$ is epic. In [12], a right R -module epomorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ is τ -Pure if for any τ -finitely presented P , $f_* : Hom_R(P, L) \rightarrow Hom_R(P, N)$ is epic. For L - n -presented module, we gave the definition of L - n -pure.

Definition 2.3: an R -module epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ is called L - n -pure if for any L - n -presented P , $f_* : Hom_R(P, L) \rightarrow Hom_R(P, N)$ is epic.

It is clear that an L - n -pure epimorphism is n -pure. But a n -pure epimorphism is not L - n -pure. We have the following proposition.

Proposition 2.2: Let L be a class. The following are equivalent for a right R -module N .

- (1) N is L - n -Mittag-Leffler;
- (2) Every n -pure epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ is L - n -pure;
- (3) There exists a L - n -pure epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ with L is L - n -Mittag-Leffler;
- (4) Given a n -pure epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow C$ and homeomorphisms $h : N \rightarrow C$, $\alpha : P \rightarrow N$ with P L - n -presented, there exists a homomorphism $\beta : P \rightarrow L$ such that $f\beta = h\alpha$.

Proof:

(1) \Rightarrow (2) : Let $f : L \rightarrow N$ be a n -pure epimorphism. Assume that P is L - n -presented, and α is any homomorphism. By (1) there exist a n -presented right R -module H , $g : P \rightarrow H$ and $h : H \rightarrow N$ such that $\alpha = hg$. Since f is n -pure, and H is n -presented, there exists $\beta : H \rightarrow L$ such that $f\beta = h$. So $\alpha = f(\beta g)$. and (2) follows.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) : Let $f : L \rightarrow L$, for L is L - n -Mittag-Leffler. It is clear that f is n -pure epimorphism. By (2) f is L - n -pure epimorphism, and (3) follows.

(1) \Rightarrow (3) : is easy to verify.

(2) \Rightarrow (4) : is clear.

(4) \Rightarrow (2) : holds by letting $C = N$ and h be the identity map.

Corollary 2.1: Let L be a class of module. The following are equivalent for a right R -module N :

- (1) N is L - n - R_R -flat;
- (2) Every epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ is L - n -pure;
- (3) There exists a L - n -pure epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow N$ with L is L - n - R_R -flat;
- (4) Given a n -pure epimorphism $f : L \rightarrow C$ and homeomorphisms $h : N \rightarrow C$, $\alpha : P \rightarrow N$ with P L - n -presented, there exists a homomorphism $\beta : P \rightarrow L$ such that $f\beta = h\alpha$.

In [12], every pure submodule of τ -flat R -module is τ -flat. In [12], if M is pure projective, then pure submodule of τ - M -flat R -module is τ - M -flat. For L - n - M -flat, we consider same question.

Proposition 2.3: Let M be a right R -module. Then:

- (1) Every pure submodule of a L - n - M -flat right R -module is L - n - M -flat whenever M_R is pure-projective.
- (2) Every pure submodule of a L - n -Mittag-Leffler right R -module is L - n -Mittag-Leffler

Proof: (1) Let N be a pure submodule of a L - n - M -flat right R -module and $f : L \rightarrow N$ the inclusion.

For any L - n -presented right R -module P and any homomorphism $f : P \rightarrow N$, since L is L - n - M -flat, there are $Q \in \text{add}M_R$ and $g : P \rightarrow Q$ and $h : Q \rightarrow L$ such that $hf = hg$. In [12] there is pure epimorphism $\varphi : H \rightarrow L$ with H pure-projective, and we have the pullback diagram of j and φ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & H & \longrightarrow & L/N \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \alpha \downarrow & & \varphi \downarrow & & = \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & N & \xrightarrow{i} & L & \xrightarrow{\pi\varphi} & L/N \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

Since Q is pure-projective and φ is pure, there exists $I : Q \rightarrow H$ such that $h = \varphi I$. Therefore we have $\pi\varphi Ig = \pi hg = \pi jf = 0$. which implies $Ig(P) \subseteq K$. Since P is finitely generated, so is $Ig(P)$. Note that j and φ are pure, so λ is pure. On the other hand, since H is pure-projective, we get a homomorphism $k : H \rightarrow K$ such that $kIg(p) = Ig(p)$ for all $p \in P$. Let $\beta = \alpha kI$, then $\beta \in \text{hom}_R(Q, N)$, and for all $p \in P$, $\beta g(p) = j\alpha k Ig(p) = \varphi Ig(p) = h(pg) = jf(p) = f(p)$. then $f = \beta g$. Thus N is L-n-M-flat (2) can be proven in a similar way as in the proof of (1).

Let A, B and M be right R-modules with $S = \text{End}(M_R)$. There is a natural homomorphism

$$\sigma = \sigma_{A,B} : \text{Hom}_R(M, A) \otimes_S \text{Hom}_R(B, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(B, A)$$

defined via $\sigma(f \otimes g)(b) = f(g(b))$ for $f \in \text{Hom}_R(M, A), g \in \text{Hom}_R(B, M), b \in B$.

It is easy to check that $\sigma_{A,B}$ is an isomorphism if $A \in \text{add}(M_R)$ or $B \in \text{add}(M_R)$.

In [11], N is \mathbb{T} -flat R-module is \mathbb{T} -flat if and only if $\sigma_{p,N}$ is isomorphism for any τ – finitely presented P. For L-n-M-flat, we consider same question.

Proposition 2.4: Let M and A be right R-module, L be a class of modules, the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is L-n-M-flat.
- (2) $\sigma_{A,B}$ is epimorphism, for any L-n- finitely presented right R-module B.

Proof: (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let B be any L-n-presented right R-module, $f \in \text{Hom}_R(B, A)$. By (1), f factors through a right R-module M^n , i.e., there exist $g : B \rightarrow M^n$ and $h : M^n \rightarrow A$ such that $f = hg$. Let $\pi_i : M^n \rightarrow M$ be the i^{th} projection, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Put $f_i = h\pi_i$ and $g_i = \pi_i g$. It is easy to check that $f = \sigma_{A,B}(\sum_{i=1}^n f_i \otimes g_i)$, i.e., $\sigma_{A,B}$ is an epimorphism.

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Let B be L-n-presented right R-module and $f \in \text{Hom}_R(B, A)$. By (2), there exist $f_i \in \text{Hom}_R(B, A)$ and $g_i \in \text{Hom}_R(B, M)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that $f = \sigma_{A,B}(\sum_{i=1}^n f_i \otimes g_i)$. Define $g : B \rightarrow M^n$ via $g(b) = (g_1(b), g_2(b), \dots, g_n(b))$ for $b \in B$ and $h : M^n \rightarrow A$ via $h(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(m_i)$ for $m_i \in M$. Then $f = hg$ and (1) follows.

Proposition 2.5: Let M be a projective right R-module and $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ a right R-module exact sequence, L be a class of module. If A and C are L-n-M-flat, then B is L-n-M-flat.

Proof: Let N be a L-n-presented right R-module, $U = \text{Hom}_R(N, M)$. Since M is projective right R-module, so we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \otimes U & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(M, B) \otimes U & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(M, C) \otimes U \\
 \sigma_{A,N} \downarrow & & \sigma_{B,N} \downarrow & & \sigma_{C,N} \downarrow \\
 \text{Hom}_R(N, A) \otimes U & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(N, B) \otimes U & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_R(N, C) \otimes U
 \end{array}$$

Since A and C are L-n-M-flat, $\sigma_{A,N}, \sigma_{C,N}$ are epimorphism by Proposition 2.4, thus $\sigma_{B,N}$ is epimorphism, and so B is L-n-M-flat.

3. RELATIVE COHERENT MODULE

Definition 3.1: Let M_R be a right R-module, L be a class of module, n is a nonnegative integer, $S = \text{End}(M_R)$. ${}_S M$ is called L-n-coherent if M_R is L-(n+1)-presented and ${}_S \text{Hom}_R(A, M)$ is a finitely generated left S-module for any L-(n+1)-presented right R-module A.

Remark 3.1: By [2, lemma3], ${}_S M$ is L-n-coherent if and only if M_R is L-(n+1)-presented and any L-(n+1)-presented right R-module has an $\text{add}(M_R)$ -preenvelope. So it follows that ${}_S M$ is L-n-coherent if and only if M_R is L-(n+1)-presented and any L-(n+1)-presented right R-module has an L-n-M-flat-preenvelope.

For a L-n-coherent module, it is a promotion about n-coherent ring. Then we discuss relationship of these concepts.

Lemma 3.1: Let M and A be right R-module, n is non-negative integer, then:

- (1) ${}_S \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \in n\text{-copres } {}_S M$, for any n-presented right R-module A, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (2) ${}_S \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \in n\text{-copres } {}_S S$, for any $A \in n\text{-pres} M_R$.

Proof: (1) the conclusion is hold by Angeleri-Hugel (2003,lemma4), when n=1.

Assuming the truth of the result for some n, where $n \leq k$. If A_R is (k+1)-presented, then $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow R^n \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$, where K is (k+1)-presented, so

$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R^n, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(K, M) \rightarrow 0$. ${}_S M \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \in (k+1)\text{-copres } {}_S M$ by $\text{Hom}_R(R^n, M) \cong M^n$ and $\text{Hom}_R(K, M) \in k\text{-copres } {}_S M$ (2) can be proven in a similar way as in the proof of (1).

Lemma 3.2: S is left coherent ring if and only if any $A \in (n+1)\text{-pres} M_R$ has a $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope.

Proof: let $A \in (n+1)\text{-copres } {}_S S$, then there is an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow S^{n_0} \rightarrow S^{n_1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S^{n_n} \rightarrow V \rightarrow 0$ where V is finitely copresented. So V is n-presented. By S is left n-coherent ring, and V is (n+1)-presented, A is finitely generated. i.e. S is left n-coherent ring if and only if any module of $(n+1)\text{-copres } {}_S S$ is finitely generated.

$\text{Hom}_R(B, M) \in (n+1)\text{-copres } {}_S S$ by any $B_R \in (n+1)\text{-pres} M_R$, so $\text{Hom}_R(B, M)$ is finitely generated. By [2, lemma3] B has an $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope.

Lemma 3.3: If ${}_S M$ is n-coherent module, then every (n+1)-presented module has an $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope. If M_R is (n+1)-presented right R-module and ${}_S M$ is n-presented left S-module, vice versa.

Proof: let A_R is (n+1)-presented, then $\text{Hom}_R(A, M) \in (n+1)\text{-copres } {}_S M$ by lemma 2.1, so there is an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \rightarrow M^{n_1} \rightarrow M^{n_2} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M^{n_n} \rightarrow L \rightarrow 0$. for $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$. $L \in \text{cogen } {}_S M$. By assuming that L is n-presented, so L is (n+1)-presented. Hence $\text{Hom}_R(A, M)$ is finitely generated, thus A has an $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope.

Otherwise, if M_R is (n+1)-presented, and every (n+1)-presented module has an $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope, then any $A \in (n+1)\text{-pres} M_R$ has an $\text{add} M_R$ preenvelope. S is left n-coherent ring by lemma3.2. So ${}_S M$ is n-coherent module by ${}_S M$ is n-presented.

Proposition 3.1: Let M_R is (n+1)-presented right R-module and ${}_S M$ is n-presented left S-module. If ${}_S M$ is L-n-coherent module, then ${}_S M$ is n-coherent module. ${}_S M$ is n-coherent module if and only if S is left n-coherent ring.

Proof: it holds by lemma3.2 and lemma 3.3.

Remark 2.2: let $L=\{0\}$, then ${}_sM$ is L-n-coherent if and only if ${}_sM$ is n-coherent and M_R is n-presented.

For L-n-coherent, it can be describe by L-n-flat and L-n-Mittag-Leffler, so we have the following theorem.

Theorem 3.3: Let M_R be (n+1)-presented. $S = End(M_R)$. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) ${}_sM$ is L-n-coherent;
- (2) Every right R-module has a L-n-flat preenvelope;
- (3) All direct products of copies of M_R are L-n-M-flat;
- (4) All direct products of L-n-M-flat right R-module are \mathbb{T} -n-M-flat;
- (5) ${}_sM$ is n-coherent and all direct products of copies of M_R are L-n-Mittag-Leffler
- (6) ${}_sM$ is n-coherent and all direct products of N_i with $N_i \in AddM_R$ are L-n-Mittag-Leffler
- (7) The right R-module $Hom_R(P, M)$ is L-n-M-flat for any projective left S-module P.

Proof: (2) \Rightarrow (1), (4) \Rightarrow (3), and (6) \Rightarrow (5) are trivial.

(3) \Rightarrow (1): Let A be a L-n-presented right R-module. For every index set I, we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 Hom_R(M, M^I) \otimes_s Hom_R(A, M) & & \\
 \varphi \downarrow & \searrow \sigma_{M^I, A} & \\
 (Hom_R(A, M))^I & \xrightarrow{\theta} & Hom_R(A, M)
 \end{array}$$

Where θ is an isomorphism, and φ is a canonical homomorphism. By Proposition 2.4, $\sigma_{M^I, A}$ is epic since M^I is L-n-M-flat. Thus φ is epic, and hence $Hom_R(A, M)$ is a finitely generated left S-module by [13, lemma 13.1, P41].

(1) \Rightarrow (4): let M_i be a family of L-n-M-flat right R-modules and N any \mathbb{T} -finitely presented right R-module. For any homomorphism $f_i : F_i \rightarrow M_i$, since M_i is L-n-M-flat, there exist $F_i \in addM_R$ and homomorphism $g_i : N \rightarrow F_i$, $h_i : F_i \rightarrow M_i$, such that $f_i = h_i g_i$. Since N has an $addM_R$ -preenvelope $f : N \rightarrow F$ by (1), there is $k_i : F \rightarrow F_i$, such that $g_i = k_i f \rightarrow M_i$. Hence $f_i = (h_i k_i) f$. It follows that the sequence $Hom_R(F, M_i) \rightarrow Hom_R(N, M_i) \rightarrow 0$ is exact. Thus we get the exact sequence $(Hom_R(F, M_i))^I \rightarrow (Hom_R(N, M_i))^I \rightarrow 0$

Note that $(Hom_R(F, M_i))^I \cong Hom_R(F, M^I)$ and $(Hom_R(N, M_i))^I \cong Hom_R(N, M^I)$, thus every homomorphism from N to M^I factors through F. So (4) follows.

(1) \Rightarrow (5): let N be any right R-module. By [lemma5.3.12] there is a cardinal number N_α such that for any R-homomorphism $f : N \rightarrow L$ with L L-n-M-flat. There is a pure submodule Q of L such that $Card(Q) \leq N_\alpha$ and $f(N) \subseteq Q$. Q is L-n-m-flat by Proposition 2.3, and so N has a L-n-M-flat preenvelope by (5) and [14, Proposition 6.2.1].

(1) \Rightarrow (5): ${}_sM$ is coherent by Proposition 3.1. By the preceding proof, thus all the products of copies of M_R are L-n-M-flat, and hence L-n-Mittag-Leffler by Proposition 1.1 since M_R is (n+1)-presented.

(5) \Rightarrow (1): We shall show that any L-n-presented right R-module has an $addM_R$ -preenvelope. Let N_R be L-n-presented. Then the product map $f : N \rightarrow M^J$ induced by all maps in $J = Hom_R(N, M)$ is a $prod(M)$ -preenvelope. Thus, by (5), there exist a n-presented right R-module L and homomorphism $g : N \rightarrow L, h : L \rightarrow M^J$

such that $f = hg$. Note that L has an $addM_R$ -preenvelope $k : L \rightarrow M^R$ since ${}_sM$ is coherent. It is easy to verify that $kg : N \rightarrow M^n$ is an $addM_R$ -preenvelope of N .

(5) \Rightarrow (6): Let $\{N_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq addM_R$ with I an index set. Then N_i is a direct summand of $M^{(J_i)}$ for some index set J_i . Since $M^{(J_i)}$ is a pure submodule of M^{J_i} by [7, lemma 1(1)], N_i is pure in M^{J_i} . Thus $\prod_{i \in I} N_i$ is a pure submodule of $\prod_{i \in I} M^{J_i}$ by [7, lemma 1 (2)]. So the result follows from Proposition 2.3(2).

(7) \Rightarrow (3): is obvious by choosing P to be S^I for any index set I .

By specializing Theorem 3.3 to the case $L=\{0\}$, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 3.4: Let M_R be n -presented. $S = End(M_R)$. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) ${}_sM$ is n -coherent;
- (2) Every right R -module has an n - M -flat-preenvelope.
- (3) All direct products of copies of M_R are n - M -flat.
- (4) All direct products of n - M -flat right R -module are n - M -flat.
- (5) The right R -module
- (6) $Hom_s(P, M)$ is n - M -flat for any projective left S -module P .

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