

# Some Generalizations of Fully Dual-Stable Modules

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## Abstract

In a previous paper we introduce the concept of full d-stability, in this work several types of generalizations were introduced ; minimal (maximal) d-stable; fully pseudo d-stable and afd-stable module. A dual to the notion of terse module is, also, introduced namely d-terse and it is shown that it is coincide with fully pseudo d-stable.

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## 1. Introduction

Throughout, all rings are associative having an identity and all modules are unital .  $R$  is a ring and  $M$  is a left  $R$ -module (simply we say module). In a previous paper[2] we introduced the concept of full d-stability as a dual to fully stability which was introduced by ABBAS [1]. Several types of generalizations of full d-stability are introduced and investigated in this work. In the second section an equivalent statement to the definition of fully d-stable module is proved, which will serve in the way of generalizations. Section 3 consists of minimal and maximal d-stability, their properties and related results. It is proved that in case of torsion free module over an integral domain maximal d-stability implies some generalization of quasi-projectivity. Fully pseudo d-stable module is introduced and investigated in section 4, the main result of this section (also in the case of torsion free module over integral domain) is " full d-stability implies some generalization of pseudo projectivity". Recall that" An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be *pseudo projective* if for any given  $R$ - module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -epimorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$  there exists a homomorphism  $h : M \rightarrow M$  such that  $f = g \circ h$ ".[5]

In section 5 the notion of d-terse module (dual to terse module) is introduced, many properties of this new type of modules are proved, it is shown that d-terse module is exactly the fully pseudo d-stable module. In the last section other generalization of fully d-stable module namely almost fully d-stable (shortly afd-stable) module is defined and its properties are investigated and it is shown that for local modules full d-stability and afd-stability coincide .

## 2. Equivalent Condition and a lemma.

We start with an equivalent statement to the definition of a fully d-stable module. Recall that a module  $M$  is *fully d-stable* if for each submodule  $N$  and for each homomorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$ ,  $N \subset Ker(\alpha)$  [2]. A submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is *d-stable* if for each  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$ ,  $N \subset Ker(\alpha)$ [2].

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.  $M$  is fully d-stable if and only if  $ker g \subset ker f$  for each  $R$ - module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -homomorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$  with  $g$  surjective .

**Proof.** Necessity , assume that  $M$  is fully d-stable and  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$  with  $g$  surjective, where  $A$  is any  $R$ -module. Let  $N = ker g$ , then  $A$  is isomorphic to  $M/N$  (say  $\varphi : A \rightarrow M/N$  is an isomorphism ), hence  $\alpha = \varphi \circ f : M \rightarrow M/N$  and  $ker \alpha = ker f$  (since  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism) . By hypothesis  $N \subset ker \alpha = ker f$ . Therefore  $ker g \subset ker f$  .

**Sufficiency** If  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$ , and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  a homomorphism, then  $\pi_N : M \rightarrow M/N$ , the natural epimorphism, is surjective, hence by hypothesis  $\ker \pi_N \subset \ker \alpha$ , that is,  $N \subset \ker(\alpha)$ .  $\diamond$

A dualization of the above theorem gives an equivalent statement to the definition of fully stable modules. Recall that "a module  $M$  is *fully stable* if  $f(N) \subset N$  for each submodule  $N$  and for each homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$ " [1], "a submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is *stable* if  $f(N) \subset N$  for each homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$ " [1].

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $M$  be a module, the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) Every submodule of  $M$  is stable.
- (ii) For each module  $A$  and for any two homomorphisms  $f, g : A \rightarrow M$ , with  $g$  injective,  $\text{Im } f \subset \text{Im } g$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Let  $f, g : A \rightarrow M$  with  $g$  injective, then if  $N = \text{Im } g$ , there exists  $h : N \rightarrow A$  such that  $h \circ g = 1_A$ , let  $\varphi = f \circ h : N \rightarrow M$ , by (i)  $N$  is stable, so we have  $\varphi(N) \subset N$  which implies  $f(h(N)) \subset N$ , that is,  $\text{Im } f \subset \text{Im } g$ .  
(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) If  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$ , and  $f : N \rightarrow M$  be a homomorphism, let  $i : N \rightarrow M$  be the inclusion map (which is injective) then by (ii)  $f(N) \subset i(N) = N$ .  $\diamond$

We need the following lemma in later.

**Lemma 2.3.** If  $M$  is a fully d-stable  $R$ -module, and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  is an epimorphism, then

- (i)  $N = \ker \alpha$  and
- (ii)  $N \subset K$  implies  $\alpha(K) = K/N$ , where  $N$  and  $K$  are submodules of  $M$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  be an epimorphism, then there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi : M/N \rightarrow M/\ker \alpha$ , let  $\beta : M \rightarrow M/N$ , where  $\beta = \varphi \circ \pi$ , and  $\pi$  is the natural map of  $M$  onto  $M/N$ , then  $\ker \beta = \pi^{-1}(\ker \varphi) = \pi^{-1}(\bar{0}) = N$ , by fully d-stability,  $\ker \alpha \subset \ker \beta = N$ , but  $N \subset \ker \alpha$  (also by fully d-stability). Therefore  $N = \ker \alpha$ .  
(ii)  $N \subset K$  implies  $\theta : M/N \rightarrow M/K$  defined by  $x + N \mapsto x + K$  is a well defined epimorphism, if  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  is an epimorphism, then  $\theta \circ \alpha : M \rightarrow M/K$  is an epimorphism too and by (i)  $\ker(\theta \circ \alpha) = K$  which implies  $\alpha^{-1}(\ker \theta) = K$ , hence  $\alpha^{-1}(K/N) = K$ , so  $\alpha(K) = K/N$  (since  $\alpha$  is surjective).  $\diamond$

### 3. Minimal and Maximal d-Stable Modules

Now we will introduce some generalizations to the concepts of fully d-stable, duo and quasi-projective modules (other generalizations are coming in the following sections), and study properties and relationships.

**Definitions 3.1.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.

- (i)  $M$  is said to be minimal(maximal) d-stable if each minimal(maximal) submodule of  $M$  is d-stable.
- (ii)  $M$  is said to be minimal(maximal) quasi projective if for each minimal(maximal)

submodule  $N$  of  $M$  and each  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$ , there exists an endomorphism  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $\pi \circ h = \alpha$ . where  $\pi$  is the natural map of  $M$  onto  $M/N$ .

(iii)  $M$  is said to be minimal(maximal) duo module if for each endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  and each minimal(maximal) submodule  $N$ ,  $f(N) \subset N$  (or equivalently  $N \subset f^{-1}(N)$ ).

Similar to the general case, the relations between the concepts : duo, quasi-projective and fully d-stable, also hold in the minimal and maximal versions (see [2]), that is, we have: (a) Any minimal(maximal) d-stable module is minimal(maximal) duo; and (b) If a module is minimal(maximal) duo and minimal(maximal) quasi-projective, then it is minimal(maximal) d-stable.

Minimal and maximal d-stability hold for certain kind of modules. Recall that a module in which all its proper submodules are small is said to be *hollow* (dual to the *uniform* module in which all non zero submodules are large) See the following results.

**Proposition 3.2.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.

- (a) If  $M$  is uniform which is not isomorphic to a submodule of  $M/N$  for each minimal submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , then  $M$  is minimal d-stable.
- (b) If  $M$  is hollow, then it is maximal d-stable.
- (c) If  $M$  is local, then it is maximal d-stable.

**Proof:** (a) Assume that  $M$  is uniform and not minimal d-stable, let  $N$  be a minimal submodule of  $M$  which is not d-stable, then there exists a homomorphism  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M/N$  with  $N \not\subset \ker \varphi$ , hence  $N \cap \ker \varphi$  is a proper submodule of  $N$  which implies  $\ker \varphi = 0$ , that is,  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism.

(b) Let  $N$  be a maximal submodule of  $M$ , and let  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M/N$ , we may assume that  $0 \neq \varphi$  and hence it is surjective, which implies  $M/(\ker \varphi) \cong M/N$ , hence  $\ker \varphi$  is maximal but  $\ker \varphi \subset N + \ker \varphi \neq M$  implies  $N \subset \ker \varphi$ .

(c) Let  $N$  be the unique maximal submodule of  $M$ , and let  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M/N$ , we also assume that  $0 \neq \varphi$  and then  $M/(\ker \varphi) \cong M/N$ , hence  $\ker \varphi$  is maximal and then  $\ker \varphi = N$ .  
 $\diamond$

Note that a converse statement of part (a) of the above proposition generally holds (without the uniform and minimal conditions), that is: If  $N$  is a non trivial d-stable submodule of a module  $M$ , then  $M$  cannot be isomorphic to a submodule of  $M/N$ .

On the other hand,  $Q$  as a  $Z$ -module (which is uniform) is a minimal d-stable( trivially) but not fully d-stable module;  $Z/(pqZ)$  ( $p$  and  $q$  distinct prime numbers) is a fully d-stable  $Z$ -module, hence minimal d-stable which is not uniform.  $Q_p$  as a  $Z$ -module is a hollow and hence it is maximal d-stable module but not fully d-stable (see example 6.10).

If  $M$  is a simple  $R$ -module, then both  $M \oplus 0$  and  $0 \oplus M$  are maximal submodules in  $M \oplus M$  which are not d-stable. On the other hand, if  $M$  (not necessarily local) has a unique maximal submodule, then it is maximal d-stable(see the proof of part (c)). The  $Z$ -module  $Z_{(p)}$  (the localization of  $Z$  at any prime number  $p$ ) is such a module.

A more general result is in the following.

**Lemma 3.3.** If  $N$  and  $K$  are two submodules of a module  $M$  such that each of them is not contained in the other and such that  $M/N \cong M/K$ , then both of  $N$  and  $K$  are not d-stable.

**Proof:** Let  $\varphi: M/N \rightarrow M/K$  be an isomorphism and  $\pi: M \rightarrow M/N$  be the natural epimorphism, then  $\alpha = \varphi \circ \pi: M \rightarrow M/K$  is a homomorphism and  $\ker \alpha = \pi^{-1}(\ker \varphi) = N$ , hence by hypothesis  $K \not\subset \ker \alpha$  which implies  $K$  is not d-stable. Similarly  $N$  is not d-stable.  $\diamond$

**Corollary 3.4.** If  $N$  and  $K$  are two distinct maximal submodules of an  $R$ -module  $M$  such that  $M/N \cong M/K$ , then both of  $N$  and  $K$  are not d-stable.  $\diamond$

**Example 3.5.** Let  $M = (Z/2Z) \oplus (Z/6Z)$ . As a  $Z$ -module,  $M$  has three maximal submodules with six elements, which are not d-stable, and one d-stable maximal submodule having four elements. (easy check)  $\diamond$

The above proposition motivates introducing the following type of submodules and modules. A maximal submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  will be called *u-maximal*, if  $M/N$  is not isomorphic to  $M/K$  for any other maximal submodule  $K$ . The module is said to be u-maximal if all its maximal submodules are u-maximal. In the light of these new notations and the previous results we can say in the help of corollary 3.4 that: *a module is maximal d-stable if and only if it is u-maximal*. Many examples of u-maximal modules exist; the  $Z$ -modules  $Z, Z/nZ, Z_{(p)}$  and  $Q$ , also any local module. Any fully d-stable module is u-maximal. The module of example 3.5 is not u-maximal and if  $M$  is any simple module, then  $M \oplus M$  is not u-maximal module. An easy check showing that a homomorphic image of u-maximal module is again u-maximal but submodule of u-maximal module need not be u-maximal.

An equivalent statement to the definition of minimal(maximal) d-stable module, is the following. The proof is similar to that of theorem 2.1.

**Proposition 3.3.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.  $M$  is minimal (maximal) d-stable if and only if for each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -homomorphisms  $f, g: M \rightarrow A$  with  $g$  surjective and  $\ker g$  is minimal,  $\ker g \subset \ker f$  (and  $\ker g$  is maximal,  $\ker g = \ker f$ ).  $\diamond$

Other results about the minimal and maximal d-stability are in the following.

**Proposition 3.4.** An  $R$ -module  $M$  is minimal quasi projective if and only if for each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -homomorphisms  $f, g: M \rightarrow A$  with  $g$  surjective and  $\ker g$  is minimal, there exists an endomorphism  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $g \circ h = f$ .

**Proof.** Necessity. Assume that  $M$  is minimal quasi projective (in the sense of definition 3.1(ii)). Let  $f, g: M \rightarrow A$  be two  $R$ -homomorphisms with  $g$  surjective and  $\ker g$  is minimal, let  $N = \ker g$ , then  $A$  is isomorphic to  $M/N$ .

If  $\varphi: A \rightarrow M/N$  is the isomorphism such that  $\varphi \circ g = \pi$ , where  $\pi$  is the natural map of  $M$  onto  $M/N$ ,  $\varphi \circ f: M \rightarrow M/N$  is a homomorphism, where  $N$  is a minimal submodule, then, by 3.1(ii), there exists an endomorphism  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $\pi \circ h = \varphi \circ f \Rightarrow (\varphi \circ g) \circ h = \varphi \circ f \Rightarrow \varphi \circ (g \circ h) = \varphi \circ f \Rightarrow g \circ h = f$ .

Sufficiency. Assume that the condition in the proposition holds, let  $N$  be a minimal submodule of  $M$  and  $\alpha: M \rightarrow M/N$  be a homomorphism, set  $A = M/N$ , then by the hypothesis there exists an endomorphism  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $\pi \circ h = \alpha$ , that is,  $M$  is minimal quasi projective (3.1(ii)).  $\diamond$

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $M$  be a torsion free module over an integral domain  $R$ . If  $M$  is maximal d-stable, then it is maximal quasi projective.

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$ , be a homomorphism where  $N$  is a maximal submodule of  $M$ , we may assume that  $\alpha \neq 0$ , for if  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $f = 0$  is an endomorphism with  $\pi \circ f = \alpha$ . Then  $N \subset \ker \alpha$  implies  $N = \ker \alpha$  (note that we assume). There exists  $x_0 \in M - N$ , so  $x_0 \notin \ker \alpha$ , hence  $\alpha(x_0) = y + N$  for some  $y \notin N$ .  $N$  is maximal implies  $y = r_0 x_0 + n$  for some  $r_0 \in R$  and  $n \in N$ , hence  $\alpha(x_0) = r_0 x_0 + n + N = r_0 x_0 + N$ .

We claim that the desired endomorphism  $f$  is  $f(x) = r_0 x$ ,  $x \in M$ .

Note that  $\pi(f(x_0)) = \pi(r_0 x_0) = r_0 x_0 + N = \alpha(x_0)$ . If  $x \in N$ , then  $\alpha(x) = 0$  and  $\pi(f(x)) = r_0 x + N = 0$ , since  $r_0 x \in N$ . If  $x \in M - N$ , then  $x = s x_0 + m$ , for some  $s \in R, m \in N$ , (since  $N$  is maximal), hence  $\alpha(x) = \alpha(s x_0 + m) = s \alpha(x_0) = s r_0 x_0 + N = r_0 s x_0 + N = r_0 s x_0 + r_0 m + N = r_0 (s x_0 + m) + N = r_0 x + N = \pi(f(x))$ . Therefore  $\pi \circ f = \alpha$ .  $\diamond$

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $M$  be a torsion free module over an integral domain  $R$ . If  $M$  is duo, then it is maximal d-stable if and only if it is maximal quasi projective.  $\diamond$

#### 4. Fully Pseudo d-Stable module

In [1], ABBAS introduce the concept of fully pseudo-stable module as a generalization of full stability and investigated its properties and relations with the original concept. He defined : " A submodule  $N$  of an  $R$ -module  $M$  is called pseudo-stable if  $f(N) \subset N$  for each  $R$ -monomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$ . An  $R$ -module in which all submodules are pseudo-stable is called fully pseudo-stable." [1]

In this section the concept of pseudo d-stability is introduced, investigating its characterizations and relationship with known concepts.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $M$  be a module:

- (i)  $M$  is said to be fully pseudo d-stable if for each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -epimorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$ ,  $\ker f = \ker g$ .
- (ii) A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be pseudo d-stable if for each epimorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$ ,  $\ker \alpha = N$ .
- (iii)  $M$  is said to be pseudo duo module if for each surjective endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  and each submodule  $N$ ,  $f(N) \subset N$ .
- (iv)  $M$  is said to be minimal pseudo d-stable if for each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -epimorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$ , with  $\ker g$  minimal,  $\ker f = \ker g$ .
- (v)  $M$  is said to be minimal pseudo projective if each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -epimorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$ , with  $\ker g$  minimal, there exists a homomorphism  $h : M \rightarrow M$  such that  $f = g \circ h$ .

It is clear from definition, that fully d-stable module is fully pseudo d-stable. Also the following results are either straight forward from definitions or have similar proofs to similar results in previous section and in [2], so we omit the proofs.

**proposition 4.2.** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.

- (i) If  $M$  is fully pseudo d-stable, then it is pseudo duo module.
- (ii) If  $M$  is pseudo projective and duo module, then it is fully pseudo d-stable.

- (iii)  $M$  is fully pseudo d-stable, if and only if each of its submodules is pseudo d-stable.
- (iv)  $M$  is minimal pseudo projective if and only if for each  $R$ -module  $A$  and any two  $R$ -epimorphisms  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$  with  $\ker g$  is minimal, there exists an endomorphism  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $g \circ h = f$ . ◇

**Proposition 4.3.** A maximal submodule of a module is d-stable if and only if it is pseudo d-stable.

**Proof:** Necessity. Clear .

Sufficiency. Assume that  $M$  is a module,  $N$  a maximal submodule which is pseudo d-stable, and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  is a homomorphism, since  $N$  is maximal,  $M/N$  is simple, hence  $\alpha$  is either zero (in this case  $N \subset M = \ker \alpha$ ) or is an epimorphism, in this case  $N \subset \ker \alpha$  since  $N$  is pseudo d-stable. Therefore  $N$  is d-stable. ◇

**Corollary 4.4.** Every fully pseudo d-stable module is maximal d-stable ◇

The converse of the above corollary is not true. Consider  $Z_{(p)}$  ( the localization of  $Z$  at a prime  $p$  ) as a  $Z$ -module, it has a unique maximal submodule, namely  $pZ_{(p)}$  and hence it is maximal d-stable (see the remark after proposition 3.2). On the other hand  $Z_{(p)} \Big/ \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)Z \cong Z_{(p)} \Big/ \left(\frac{1}{s}\right)Z$  for any two primes  $q$  and  $s$  distinct from  $p$ , that is,  $Z_{(p)}$  is not fully pseudo d-stable.

**Corollary 4.5.** Let  $M$  be a torsion free module over an integral domain  $R$ . If  $M$  is fully pseudo d-stable, then it is maximal quasi projective.

**Proof:** By corollary 3.8 and proposition 4.6. ◇

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $M$  be a torsion free module over an integral domain  $R$ . If  $M$  is fully d-stable, then it is minimal pseudo projective.

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/N$  be an epimorphism, where  $N$  is a minimal submodule of  $M$ , we claim that  $M/N$  is torsion free  $R$ -module too, and hence (by corollary 2.12, [2]), there exists  $r$  in  $R$  such that  $\alpha(x) = rx + N$  for all  $x \in M$ . Therefore  $f(x) = rx$  is an endomorphism of  $M$  satisfying  $\pi \circ f = \alpha$ , which implies that  $M$  is minimal pseudo projective.

Now we will prove our claim. Since  $M$  is fully d-stable and  $\alpha$  is an epimorphism we have  $N = \ker \alpha$ , that is,  $\alpha(x) = \bar{0} \Leftrightarrow x \in N$ . Let  $x \in M \setminus N$ , then  $\alpha(x) \neq \bar{0}$ , but  $\alpha(x) = rx + N$  for some  $r$  in  $R$  ([2], Theorem 2.11), which implies  $N \neq Rx$ , and since  $N$  is minimal  $Rx \cap N = 0$  holds, hence  $r \neq 0$  and  $x + N \neq \bar{0}$  implies  $r(x + N) \neq \bar{0}$  (note that  $M$  is torsion free by hypothesis). The claim is proved. ◇

### 5. d-terse module

A module  $M$  is said to be *terse* if distinct submodules of  $M$  are not isomorphic [6]. The relation between this concept and the concept of full stability was investigated in [1] and was proved that a module is terse if and only if it is fully pseudo stable. In this section we introduce the concept of d-terse module and investigate its properties and its relation with full d-stability, we will show that a module is d-terse if and only if it is fully pseudo d-stable.

First we give an equivalent statement to the definition of a terse module.

**Proposition 5.1.** A module  $M$  is terse if and only if for each two modules  $A, B$  and any two monomorphisms  $f \in \text{Hom}(A, M)$ ,  $g \in \text{Hom}(B, M)$ ,  $A \cong B$  implies  $\text{Im } f = \text{Im } g$ .

**Proof:**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Assume that  $M$  is terse and  $A, B$  are two modules,  $f \in \text{Hom}(A, M)$ ,  $g \in \text{Hom}(B, M)$  are monomorphisms and  $A \cong B$ , then  $\text{Im } f$  and  $\text{Im } g$  are two isomorphic submodules of  $M$ , hence  $\text{Im } f = \text{Im } g$  (by definition of terse module).

$(\Leftarrow)$  If  $M$  is not terse, then there exist two isomorphism distinct submodules, say  $A$  and  $B$ . Now if  $i$  and  $j$  are the inclusion maps of  $A$  and  $B$  into  $M$  (which are monomorphisms) with  $\text{Im } i = A \neq B = \text{Im } j$  but  $A \cong B$ .  $\diamond$

The above proposition motivates the following concept:

**Definition 5.2.** An  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $d$ -terse, if for each pair of epimorphisms  $f : M \rightarrow A$  and  $g : M \rightarrow B$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are any two isomorphic  $R$ -modules we must have  $\ker f = \ker g$ . A ring  $R$  is  $d$ -terse if it is  $d$ -terse  $R$ -module.

The first result of the definition is that we get a characterization for pseudo fully  $d$ -stable module, see the following.

**Theorem 5.3.** A module is  $d$ -terse if and only if it is fully pseudo  $d$ -stable.

**Proof:** Necessity. Let  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$  be two epimorphisms, then  $\ker f = \ker g$  (by definition 5.2). Hence  $M$  is pseudo fully  $d$ -stable.

Sufficiency. Assume that  $M$  is pseudo fully  $d$ -stable and  $f : M \rightarrow A$ ,  $g : M \rightarrow B$  are two epimorphisms with  $\ker f \neq \ker g$  and  $A \cong B$ . Let  $h : A \rightarrow B$  be an isomorphism, then  $(h \circ f), g : M \rightarrow B$  are epimorphisms and  $\ker(h \circ f) = \ker f \neq \ker g$ , a contradiction (since  $M$  is pseudo fully  $d$ -stable).  $\diamond$

**Proposition 5.4.** A homomorphic image of a  $d$ -terse (fully pseudo  $d$ -stable) module is  $d$ -terse (fully pseudo  $d$ -stable).

**Proof:** Let  $h : M \rightarrow N$  be an epimorphism, where  $M$  is a  $d$ -terse module, and let  $f : N \rightarrow A, g : N \rightarrow B$  be two epimorphisms with  $\ker f \neq \ker g$ , then  $\ker f \circ h \neq \ker g \circ h$  hence  $A$  and  $B$  are not isomorphic. Therefore  $N$  is  $d$ -terse.  $\diamond$

**Corollary 5.5.** If  $R$  is a  $d$ -terse ring then any cyclic  $R$ -module is  $d$ -terse.  $\diamond$

In the following we will prove a sufficient condition for full  $d$ -stability in certain type of modules.

**Theorem 5.6.** Every fully pseudo  $d$ -stable hollow module is fully  $d$ -stable.

**Proof:** Let  $M$  be a pseudo fully  $d$ -stable hollow module and let  $f, g : M \rightarrow A$ , with  $g$  epimorphism, hence  $A$  is a homomorphic image of  $M$ , so it is hollow too.

If  $f$  is an epimorphism we have nothing to prove, assume that  $\text{Im } f \neq A$ ,  $\text{Im } f$  is small in  $A$ , let  $h = g - f$ , then  $h \in \text{Hom}(M, A)$  and  $\text{Im } h + \text{Im } f = \text{Im } g = A$ , hence  $\text{Im } h = A$ , that is,  $h$  is an epimorphism, so,  $\ker g = \ker h$  (since  $M$  is a pseudo fully  $d$ -stable). Now  $x \in \ker g \Rightarrow x \in \ker h \Rightarrow g(x) - f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x \in \ker f$ .

Hence  $\ker g \subset \ker f$ , therefore  $M$  is fully d-stable.  $\diamond$

**Corollary 5.7.** A hollow module is fully d-stable if and only if it is d-terse.  $\diamond$

A characterization of d-terse modules is in the following and its proof is immediate from the definition:

**Proposition 5.8.** A module is d-terse if and only if it has no distinct isomorphic factor modules.  $\diamond$

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to have the  $C_2$  condition, if any submodule of  $M$  which is isomorphic to a summand is, itself, a summand of  $M$  ( see [5]). It is clear that a terse module satisfies the  $C_2$  condition As a dualization to this condition, there is the  $D_2$  conditions which states: If  $A$  is a submodule of the  $R$ -module  $M$  such that  $M/A$  is isomorphic to a summand of  $M$ , then  $A$  is a summand of  $M$  (see [5]). Now we prove this condition ( $D_2$ ) for the d-terse modules

**Proposition 5.9.** A d-terse module satisfies  $D_2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $N$  be a submodule of a d-terse module  $M$ , with  $M/N$  isomorphic to a direct summand of  $M$ , say  $L$ . Let  $\varphi : M/N \rightarrow L$  be an isomorphism and  $M = L \oplus K$ , let  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/N$  be the natural epimorphism and  $p : M \rightarrow L$  be the natural projection.

Then  $\varphi \circ \pi : M \rightarrow L$  and  $p : M \rightarrow L$  are two epimorphosis, hence  $\ker \varphi \circ \pi = \ker p$ , since  $M$  is d-terse, but  $\ker \varphi \circ \pi = \ker \pi = N$  (since  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism) and  $\ker p = K$ , therefore  $N = K$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .  $\diamond$

As a consequence of the above proposition, every fully pseudo d-stable, and hence every fully d-stable module satisfies  $D_2$ . The converse of the last statement is not true, for example  $Z \oplus Z$ , as a  $Z$ -module has  $D_2$ , since it is quasi-projective, (see [5]), but it is not fully d-stable.

**Remark 5.10.** It is known that every commutative ring is fully d-stable module over itself ([2], corollary 2.4), hence it is pseudo fully d-stable (by theorem 4.2 (i)), hence d-terse (by theorem 5.3), consequently every cyclic  $R$ -module is d-terse, if  $R$  is commutative, (by corollary 5.5).

In [2] we mentioned the concept of Hopfain, generalized Hopfain, ... and proved that a fully d-stable module is Hopfain (hence generalized Hopfain), in the following we generalized these results for fully pseudo d-stable (d-terse) module, also, is Hopfain.

**Proposition 5.11.** A fully pseudo d-stable module (d-terse module) is Hopfain.

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be a d-terse module and  $f$  be a surjective endomorphism of  $M$ , then  $M$  is isomorphic to  $M/\ker f$ , that is  $M/0$  is isomorphic to  $M/\ker f$ , hence  $\ker f = 0$  (proposition 5.8), therefore  $f$  is an isomorphism.  $\diamond$

## 6. Almost fully d-stable module

In this section we introduce an other generalization of the concept of fully d-stable and investigate properties and relationships with previous concepts. Starting with definition.

**Definition 6.1.** A module with the property, that any proper submodule is contained in a fully d-stable submodule will be called almost fully d-stable (briefly, afd-stable) module.



**Remark 6.2.** It is clear that any fully d-stable module is afd-stable, but not the converse. The module  $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$  (as a  $Z$ -module) is afd-stable, since all its proper submodules are simple, but it is not fully d-stable.  $\diamond$

**Remark 6.3.** A homomorphic image of an afd-stable module is afd-stable, while a submodule of a afd-stable module need not be afd-stable.

**Proof:** The first part is clear since a homomorphic image of a fully d-stable module is fully d-stable[2]. For the second part see example (2.5, [2]).  $\diamond$

**Remark 6.4.** Let  $M$  be a hollow afd-stable module. For any two proper submodules of  $M$ , there exists a fully d-stable submodule containing both. Consequently for any finite family of proper submodules of  $M$ , there exists a fully d-stable submodule containing all.

**Proof:** Assume that  $N$  and  $K$  are two proper submodules of  $M$  and  $A$  and  $B$  be fully d-stable submodules containing  $N$  and  $K$  resp. If  $A + B = M$ , then either  $A = M$  or  $B = M$ , (since  $M$  is hollow) which implies  $M$  is the fully d-stable submodule containing  $N$  and  $K$ .

If  $A + B \neq M$ , then by the property of gfd-stable module,  $A + B$  is contained in a fully d-stable submodule which contains both  $N$  and  $K$  too.  $\diamond$

**Theorem 6.5.** A non cyclic Noetherian hollow afd-stable module is fully d-stable.

**Proof:** If  $M$  is simple module, then it is fully d-stable. Let  $0 \neq A$  be a proper submodule of  $M$ , let  $\Gamma$  be the family of all fully d-stable submodules containing  $A$ , then  $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$ , since  $M$  is gfd-stable,  $\Gamma$  has a maximal element say,  $N$  (since  $M$  is Noetherian).

If  $N = M$ , then  $M$  is fully d-stable. If  $N \neq M$  and  $x \in M \setminus N$  then  $Rx$  is contained in a fully d-stable submodule say,  $K$ .

If  $N + K = M$ , then  $K = M$  (since  $M$  is hollow), hence  $M$  is fully d-stable.

If  $N + K \neq M$ , then  $N + K$  is contained in a fully d-stable submodule, which contradicts the maximality of  $N$ .  $\diamond$

**Remark 6.6.** A module is finitely generated(cyclic) and hollow if and only if it is local. Recall that a module is local if it posses a largest submodule( see [8]).

In the class of local modules the concepts of fully d-stable and gfd-stable coincide, to prove this we need first the following lemma.

**Lemma 6.7.** Let  $M$  be a local module,  $N$  its largest submodule and  $K$  any submodule of  $M$  different from  $N$ . If  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/K$  is a homomorphism, then  $\alpha(N) \subset N/K$ .

**Proof:** If  $K$  is any submodule of  $M$ , different from  $N$ , then by the above remark  $K \subset N$  and  $N/K$  is a largest submodule of  $M/K$ . Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/K$  be a homomorphism.

Case1.  $\alpha$  is not surjective, then  $\alpha(N)$  is a proper subset of  $M/K$ , hence  $\alpha(N) \subset N/K$

Case2.  $\alpha$  is surjective, if  $\alpha(N) = M/K$ , then  $\alpha^{-1}(\alpha(N)) = M$  which implies

$N + \ker \alpha = M$ , hence  $\ker \alpha = M$  (since  $M$  is hollow and  $N \neq M$ ) which means  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\alpha(N) \subset N/K$ . If  $\alpha(N) \neq M/K$ , then by case1  $\alpha(N) \subset N/K$  too.  $\diamond$

Now we state and prove the above claim.

**Theorem 6.8.** A local module is fully d-stable if and only if it is afd-stable.

**Proof:** Necessity. Clear.

Sufficiency. Let  $N$  be the largest submodule of  $M$ , then either  $M$  is fully d-stable or  $N$  itself is fully d-stable. Let  $K$  be any submodule of  $M$ , different from  $N$ , and  $\alpha : M \rightarrow M/K$  be a homomorphism, then by the above lemma  $\beta = \alpha|_N : N \rightarrow N/K$ , hence  $K \subset \ker \beta = N \cap \ker \alpha$ , implies  $K \subset \ker \alpha$ . By proposition (3.2 c)  $N$  is d-stable, too. Therefore  $M$  is fully d-stable.  $\diamond$

**Corollary 6.9.** A hollow Noetherian module is fully d-stable if and only if it is afd-stable.

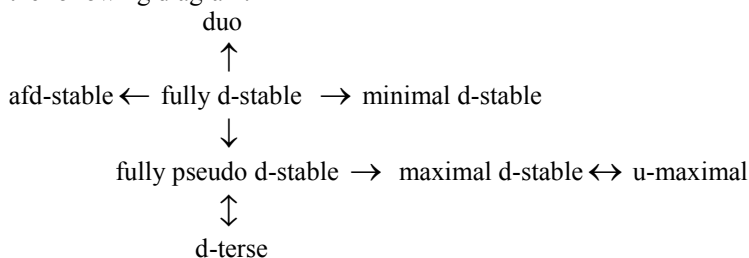
**Proof:** For finitely generated case by (remark 6.6) For the infinitely generated case by theorem(6.5).  $\diamond$

**Example 6.10.** Let  $p$  be a prime number and let  $Q_p := \left\{ \frac{a}{p^i} \mid a \in Z \wedge i \in N - \right\}$  i.e. the set of all rational numbers whose denominator is a power of  $p$  (including  $p^0 = 1$ ). Then  $Q_p$  is a subgroup of  $Q$  (as additive group)  $Z \subset Q_p$ .  $Q_p/Z$  is Artinian but not Noetherian as a  $Z$ -module [4]. Note that  $Q_p/Z$  is a afd-stable module but not fully d-stable, since all its proper submodules are the chain  $0 \subset \left| \frac{1}{p} + Z \right| \subset \left| \frac{1}{p^2} + Z \right| \subset \left| \frac{1}{p^3} + Z \right| \subset \dots$  [4], which are local and hence by theorem(6.8) are fully d-stable, that is the module  $Q_p/Z$  is a afd-stable module. On the other hand  $Q_p/Z$  is not fully d-stable since it is isomorphic to any of its factor modules.  $\diamond$

**Proposition 6.11** Let  $M$  be a finitely generated u-maximal  $R$ -module. Then  $M$  is fully d-stable if and only if it is afd-stable.

**Proof:** The "if" part is clear. Assume that  $M$  is finitely generated, u-maximal and afd-stable. If  $M$  is not fully d-stable then each of its maximal submodules is fully d-stable, let  $K$  be any submodule of  $M$  and let  $N$  be a maximal submodule containing  $K$ , then  $K$  is d-stable in  $N$  and  $N$  is d-stable in  $M$ . By the transitivity property of d-stability (see corollary 3.4 [2]),  $K$  is d-stable in  $M$ . Hence  $M$  is fully d-stable.  $\diamond$

In the end we summarize the relationships between the different concepts introduced in this paper by the following diagram:



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