

## Schanuel's Lemma in P-Poor Modules

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**Abstrak:** Modul merupakan perumuman dari ruang vektor aljabar linier yaitu dengan memperumum lapangan skalarnya menjadi ring dengan elemen satuan. Dalam teori modul terdapat konsep modul proyektif, yaitu suatu modul atas ring  $R$  yang proyektif relatif terhadap semua modul atas  $R$ . Selanjutnya, diperoleh fakta bahwa setiap modul atas  $R$  adalah modul proyektif relatif terhadap sebarang modul semisederhana atas  $R$ . Jika  $P$  adalah suatu modul atas  $R$  yang proyektif relatif hanya terhadap semua modul semisederhana atas  $R$  saja, maka  $P$  disebut modul  $p$ -miskin. Dalam pembahasan modul proyektif terdapat suatu lemma yang berkaitan dengan keekuivalenan dua buah modul  $K_1$  dan  $K_2$  dengan syarat terdapat dua buah modul proyektif  $P_1$  dan  $P_2$  sedemikian hingga  $K_1 \oplus P_2$  isomorfik dengan  $K_2 \oplus P_1$ . Lemma tersebut dikenal sebagai lemma Schanuel di modul proyektif. Karena modul  $p$ -poor merupakan kasus khusus dari modul proyektif, maka pada tulisan ini akan dibahas tentang lemma Schanuel di modul  $p$ -poor.

**Kata kunci:** modul proyektif, modul semisederhana, modul  $p$ -poor, lemma Schanuel

**Abstract:** Modules are a generalization of the vector spaces of linear algebra in which the “scalars” are allowed to be from a ring with identity, rather than a field. In module theory there is a concept about projective module, i.e. a module over ring  $R$  in which it is projective module relative to all modules over ring  $R$ . Next, there is the fact that every module over ring  $R$  is projective module relative to all semisimple modules over ring  $R$ . If  $P$  is a module over ring  $R$  which it's projective relative only to all semisimple modules over ring  $R$ , then  $P$  is called  $p$ -poor module. In the discussion of the projective module, there is a lemma associated with the equivalence of two modules  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  provided that there are two projective modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that  $K_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $K_2 \oplus P_1$ . That lemma is known as Schanuel's lemma in projective modules. Because the  $p$ -poor module is a special case of the projective module, then in this paper will be discussed about Schanuel's lemma in  $p$ -poor modules.

**Keywords:** projective module, semisimple module,  $p$ -poor module, Schanuel's lemma

## 1. Introduction

Let  $M$  and  $N$  are  $R$ -modules, i.e. modules over a ring  $R$ . In this paper,  $Mod-R$  denotes the set of all right  $R$ -modules and  $SSMod-R$  the set of all semisimple right  $R$ -modules. An  $R$ -module is called a semisimple module if that module is a direct sum of simple modules [5]. A non-zero  $R$ -module is called a simple module if that module has no non-trivial submodules. In other words, its submodule is only  $\{0\}$  and himself. Following [3], for any  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\mathfrak{Pr}^{-1}(M) = \{ N \in Mod-R \mid M \text{ is } N\text{-projective module} \}$  is called the projectivity domain of  $M$ . If  $\mathfrak{Pr}^{-1}(M) = Mod-R$ , then  $M$  is called a projective module. Next, Alahmadi et al. [1] which discuss poor-module become the initial idea of the emergence of  $p$ -poor module concept, which  $p$ -poor module is dual of poor-module. Furthermore, this  $p$ -poor module is a special case of the projective module because the projectivity domain of  $p$ -poor only consists of all semisimple modules over ring  $R$  [2]. Regarding the existence of the  $p$ -poor module, it was found that each ring has a  $p$ -poor module. As for the formation of the  $p$ -poor module, it was found that an  $R$ -module, which is the result of the direct sum of all cyclic modules over  $R$  is a  $p$ -poor module [2].

This paper is inspired by similar ideas and problems in [4][5], where there is a lemma introduced by Stephen Schanuel in 1958 and known as the Schanuel's lemma in projective modules. That lemma associated with the equivalence of two modules  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  provided that there are two projective modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that  $K_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $K_2 \oplus P_1$ . The organization of this paper describes as follows: section 2 explains a basic theory about exact sequences of  $R$ -modules and semisimple module. The explanation about the Schanuel's lemma in projective modules and Schanuel's lemma in  $p$ -poor modules will be presented in section 3. In section 4, we conclude the discussion.

## 2. Basic Theory

In this section, we define the external direct sum, the short exact sequence, the split exact sequence, and some properties of the semisimple module.

### 2.1 External Direct Sum

Before we define the external direct sum, will first be discussed about the direct product.

**Definition 2.1.** [3] The cartesian product  $\times_A X_\alpha$  of the sets  $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be the set of all  $A$ -tuple  $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in X_\alpha$ , for all  $\alpha \in A$ . If  $A$  is finite,  $A = \{1, \dots, n\}$  then be obtained  $\times_A X_\alpha = X_1 \times \dots \times X_n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in X_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [3] Let  $\{M_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be the set of  $R$ -modules. Defined the operations in  $\times_\Lambda M_\lambda$ , for every  $(x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, (y_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \in \times_\Lambda M_\lambda$  and  $r \in R$  then  $(x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda} + (y_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda} = (x_\lambda + y_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  and  $r(x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda} = (rx_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ . Next, the cartesian product  $\times_\Lambda M_\lambda$ , together with the above operations is  $R$ -modules. Furthermore, the module  $\times_\Lambda M_\lambda$  is said to be the direct product of  $\{M_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  and be written  $\prod_\Lambda M_\lambda$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [3] Let  $\{M_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be the set of  $R$ -modules. The external direct sum of  $\{M_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is defined as  $\bigoplus_\Lambda M_\lambda = \{m \in \prod_\Lambda M_\lambda \mid \pi_\lambda(m) \neq 0 \text{ for } \lambda \in \Lambda \text{ is finite}\}$ .

## 2.2 Exact Sequences

The concept of exact sequences of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -module homomorphisms and their relation to direct summands is a useful tool to have available in the study of modules. We start by defining exact sequences of  $R$ -modules.

**Definition 2.4.** [6] Let  $R$  be a ring. A sequence of  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $R$ -module homomorphisms  $f$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}} M_{i-1} \xrightarrow{f_i} M_i \xrightarrow{f_{i+1}} M_{i+1} \xrightarrow{f_{i+2}} \dots \quad (1)$$

is said to be exact at  $M_i$  if  $Im(f_i) = Ker(f_{i+1})$ . The sequence is said to be exact if it is exact at each  $M_i$ .

As particular cases of Definition 2.1. note that if  $M, M_1$ , and  $M_2$  are  $R$ -modules

1.  $0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M$  is exact if and only if  $f$  is injective,
2.  $M \xrightarrow{g} M_2 \rightarrow 0$  is exact if and only if  $g$  is surjective, and
3. The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} M_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (2)$$

is exact if and only if  $f$  is injective,  $g$  is surjective and  $Im(f) = Ker(g)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [7] Given a sequence of  $R$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} M_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (3)$$

1. The sequence (3) is said to be a short exact sequence if it is exact.
2. The sequence (3) is said to be a split exact sequence (or just split) if it is exact and if  $Im(f) = Ker(g)$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .

Next, in the following theorem will be given a characterization of split exact sequence.

**Theorem 2.1.** [7] If

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} M_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (4)$$

is a short exact sequence of  $R$ -modules, then the following are equivalent:

1. There exists a homomorphism  $\alpha: M \rightarrow M_1$  such that  $\alpha \circ f = id_{M_1}$ .
2. There exists a homomorphism  $\beta: M_2 \rightarrow M$  such that  $g \circ \beta = id_{M_2}$ .
3. The sequence (4) is split exact.

If these equivalent conditions hold then

$$\begin{aligned} M &\cong Im(f) \oplus Ker(\alpha) \\ &\cong Ker(g) \oplus Im(\beta) \\ &\cong M_1 \oplus M_2 \end{aligned}$$

## 2.3 Semisimple Module

Next theory is needed in the next discussion is a semisimple module and some of its properties. However, it will first be defined as a simple module.

**Definition 2.6.** [3] A non-zero  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a simple module if  $M$  has no non-trivial submodules. In other words, the submodule of  $M$  is only  $\{0\}$  and  $M$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [6] An  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a semisimple module if  $M$  is a direct sum of simple modules.

A semisimple module has some characterization which will be given in the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.2.** [6] For an  $R$ -module  $M$ , the following properties are equivalent:

1.  $M$  is a semisimple module.
2. Every submodule of  $M$  is a direct summand.
3. Every exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow M \rightarrow L \rightarrow 0$  splits, for each  $K$  and  $L$  are  $R$ -modules.

### 3. Main Results

Based on the previous introduction, we have that  $p$ -poor module is a special case of the projective module because the projectivity domain of  $p$ -poor only consists of all semisimple modules over ring  $R$ . In other words,  $R$ -modules  $P$  is  $p$ -poor if for every semisimple  $R$ -modules  $S$  satisfies for each epimorphism  $g : S \rightarrow N$  and homomorphism  $f : P \rightarrow N$  there exists a homomorphism  $h : P \rightarrow S$  such that  $g \circ h = f$  (i.e. the following diagram commute).

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & P & & \\
 & & \downarrow f & & \\
 & h & & & \\
 & \swarrow & & & \\
 S & \xrightarrow{g} & N & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

Therefore, before we explain Schanuel's lemma in  $p$ -poor modules, we will first discuss Schanuel's lemma in projective modules.

#### 3.1 Schanuel's Lemma in Projective Modules

This lemma associated with the equivalence of two modules  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  provided that there are two projective modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that  $M_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $M_2 \oplus P_1$ . Furthermore, it will be discussed in the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** [4] Given the sequences of  $R$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} P_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} M \rightarrow 0 \tag{5}$$

$$0 \rightarrow M_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} P_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} M \rightarrow 0 \tag{6}$$

If (5) and (6) are exact with  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are projective, then  $M_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $M_2 \oplus P_1$ .

**Proof.** From  $R$ -modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  can be formed a direct sum  $P_1 \oplus P_2$ . Next, be formed  $X = \{(p_1, p_2) \in P_1 \oplus P_2 | g_1(p_1) = g_2(p_2)\}$ . Clearly,  $X \subseteq P_1 \oplus P_2$  and  $X \neq \emptyset$  because  $(0,0) \in X$ . Then, for each  $(x_1, x_2)$  and  $(y_1, y_2)$  in  $X$  and  $r$  in  $R$ , we

see that  $g_1(x_1 + y_1) = g_1(x_1) + g_1(y_1) = g_2(x_2) + g_2(y_2) = g_2(x_2 + y_2)$  and  $g_1(x_1r) = g_1(x_1)r = g_2(x_2)r = g_2(x_2r)$ . So, we have  $(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2)$  and  $(x_1r, x_2r)$  in  $X$ . In other words,  $X$  is submodule of  $P_1 \oplus P_2$ .

Next, we see that  $g_1$  is epimorphism (surjective homomorphism) so that we have  $M = g_1(P_1)$ . Since  $g_2$  is also epimorphism, then for each  $g_1(p_1) \in M$  there exists  $p_2 \in P_2$  such that  $g_1(p_1) = g_2(p_2)$ . Defined homomorphism  $\pi_1: X \rightarrow P_1$  with  $\pi_1(p_1, p_2) = p_1$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker}(\pi_1) &= \{(p_1, p_2) \mid \pi_1(p_1, p_2) = 0\} \\ &= \{(p_1, p_2) \mid p_1 = 0\} \\ &= \{(0, p_2) \mid g_2(p_2) = 0\} \\ &\cong \text{Ker}(g_2) \\ &= \text{Im}(f_2) \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, based on the particular cases of Definition 2.1, because (6) are exact, then  $f_2$  is monomorphism (injective homomorphism), and because  $f_2$  is injective, then we have  $\text{Im}(f_2) \cong M_2$ . As a result, we have  $\text{Ker}(\pi_1) \cong M_2$ . Next, can be formed a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{\pi_1} P_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (7)$$

Since  $P_1$  is a projective module, there exists a homomorphism  $h: P_1 \rightarrow X$  such that  $\pi_1 \circ h = \text{id}_{P_1}$ , then the sequence (7) is split exact, and we have  $X \cong M_2 \oplus P_1$ . Furthermore in an analogous way, then can be formed a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{\pi_2} P_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (8)$$

and we have  $X \cong M_1 \oplus P_2$ . Therefore, we have  $M_1 \oplus P_2 \cong M_2 \oplus P_1$ .

### 3.2 Schanuel's Lemma in $p$ -Poor Modules

Next, can be made Schanuel's lemma in  $p$ -poor modules, i.e. we replace sufficient conditions projective module in Lemma 3.1. with  $p$ -poor module which it is also a semisimple module, or we call that module as a semisimple  $p$ -poor. This is because the  $p$ -poor module is a special case of the projective module, where the projectivity domain of  $p$ -poor only consists of all semisimple modules. Therefore, need a certain condition is semisimple so that the concept of its projective module can be used in the  $p$ -poor module.

**Lemma 3.2.** Given the sequences of  $R$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} P_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} M \rightarrow 0 \quad (9)$$

$$0 \rightarrow M_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} P_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} M \rightarrow 0 \quad (10)$$

If (9) and (10) are exact with  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are semisimple  $p$ -poor modules, then  $M_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $M_2 \oplus P_1$ .

**Proof.** From semisimple  $p$ -poor modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , then we have  $P_1 \oplus P_2$  is also semisimple  $p$ -poor module. Next, be formed  $W = \{(p_1, p_2) \in P_1 \oplus P_2 \mid g_1(p_1) = g_2(p_2)\}$ . Clearly,  $W$  is a submodule of  $P_1 \oplus P_2$  because its proof is same with the proof of  $X$  is a submodule of  $P_1 \oplus P_2$  in Lemma 3.1. Furthermore, according to [3] because every submodule of a semisimple module is semisimple, then we have  $W$  is a semisimple module.

Next, we see that  $g_1$  is epimorphism (surjective homomorphism) so that we have  $M = g_1(P_1)$ . Since  $g_2$  is also epimorphism, then for each  $g_1(p_1) \in M$  there exists

$p_2 \in P_2$  such that  $g_1(p_1) = g_2(p_2)$ . Defined homomorphism  $\pi_1: W \rightarrow P_1$  with  $\pi_1(p_1, p_2) = p_1$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker}(\pi_1) &= \{(p_1, p_2) \mid \pi_1(p_1, p_2) = 0\} \\ &= \{(p_1, p_2) \mid p_1 = 0\} \\ &= \{(0, p_2) \mid g_2(p_2) = 0\} \\ &\cong \text{Ker}(g_2) \\ &= \text{Im}(f_2) \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, because  $f_2$  is monomorphism (injective homomorphism), then we have  $\text{Im}(f_2) \cong M_2$ . As a result, we have  $\text{Ker}(\pi_1) \cong M_2$ . Next, can be formed a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow W \xrightarrow{\pi_1} P_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (11)$$

Since  $P_1$  is a  $p$ -poor module (i.e. projective module which its projectivity domain only consists of all semisimple modules), then for semisimple module  $W$  there exists homomorphism  $h: P_1 \rightarrow W$  such that  $\pi_1 \circ h = id_{P_1}$ . In other words, the sequence (11) is split exact and we have  $W \cong M_2 \oplus P_1$ . Furthermore in an analogous way, then can be formed a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow W \xrightarrow{\pi_2} P_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (12)$$

and we have  $W \cong M_1 \oplus P_2$ . Therefore, we have  $M_1 \oplus P_2 \cong M_2 \oplus P_1$ .

#### 4. Conclusion

Some properties which have sufficient conditions of the projective module can be modified by replacing the projective module into *the*  $p$ -poor module with certain additional conditions. The result of this research only discuss how to get Schanuel's lemma in  $p$ -poor modules, i.e. with modify Schanuel's lemma in projective modules. Its method is to replace sufficient conditions projective module on Schanuel's lemma in projective modules with a semisimple  $p$ -poor module. This is because *the*  $p$ -poor module is a special case of the projective module, where the projectivity domain of  $p$ -poor only consists of all semisimple modules. Actually, this lemma also as an introduction of an equivalence relation in the  $p$ -poor module, i.e. modules  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are equivalent if there exist semisimple  $p$ -poor modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that  $M_1 \oplus P_2$  is isomorphic to  $M_2 \oplus P_1$ .

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