ON QUASI *h*-PURE SUBMODULES OF QTAG-MODULES

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ABSTRACT. Different concepts and decomposition theorems have been done for QTAGmodules by number of authors. We introduce quasi *h*-pure submodules for QTAG-modules and we obtain several characterizations for quasi *h*-pure submodules and as a consequence we deduce a result done by Fuchs 1973.

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1. Introduction. Following [4] a module M_R is called QTAG-module if it satisfies the following condition:

(I) Any finitely generated submodule of any homomorphic image of M is a direct sum of uniserial modules.

The structure theory of such modules has been developed by various authors. Recently Singh and Khan [5] have characterized the modules in which *h*-neat submodules are *h*-pure. The main purpose of this paper is to introduce the concept of quasi *h*-pure submodules, a weaker version of *h*-pure submodules. In Section 3, some characterization of *h*-pure submodules are obtained (Theorems 3.2 and 3.4) for the subsequent use. In general it is known that $soc(A + B) \neq soc(A) + soc(B)$. The equality for some submodules motivated to define the concept of quasi *h*-pure submodules. Several characterizations of quasi *h*-pure submodules are obtained (Theorems 4.6 and 4.7) and as a consequence we deduce [1, Theorem 66.3] as Corollary 4.9.

2. Preliminaries. Rings considered in this paper are with $1 \neq 0$ and modules are unital QTAG-module. A module in which the lattice of its submodule is totally ordered is called a serial module; in addition if it has finite composition length it is called a uniserial module. An $x \in M$ is called a uniform element if xR is a nonzero uniform (hence uniserial) submodule of M. For any module A_R with a composition series, d(A) denotes its length. If $x \in M$ is uniform, then e(x) = d(xR), $H_M(x) = \sup\{d(yR/xR) \mid y \in M \text{ and } y \text{ is uniform with } x \in yR\}$ are called exponent of x and height of x, respectively. For any $n \ge 0$, $H_n(M) = \{x \in M \mid H(x) \ge n\}$. A submodule N of M is called h-pure in M if $N \cap H_k(M) = H_k(N)$ for every $k \ge 0$ and N is called h-neat if $N \cap H_1(M) = H_1(N)$. The module M is called h-divisible if $H_1(M) = M$. For any module K, soc(K) denotes the socle of K. For other basic concepts of QTAG-module one may refer to [2, 3, 4, 5].

3. *h***-pure submodules.** In this section, we have obtained some characterizations of *h*-neat and *h*-pure submodules which are used in Section 4.

First, we prove the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3.1. A submodule N of a QTAG-module M is h-neat if and only if soc(M/N) = (soc(M) + N)/N.

PROOF. Suppose *N* is *h*-neat in *M*. Let \bar{y} be a uniform element in $\operatorname{soc}(M/N)$, where *y* may be chosen to be uniform in *M*. Then $\bar{y}R = (yR + N)/N \cong yR/(yR \cap N)$. Hence $d(yR/(yR \cap N)) = 1$. Put $yR \cap N = zR$, then due to *h*-neatness of *N* there exist a uniform element $w \in N$ such that $y \in wR$ and d(wR/zR) = 1. Appealing to [4, Lemma 2.3] we get $e(y - z) \leq 1$, so $y - z \in \operatorname{soc}(M)$ and we get $\bar{y} \in (\operatorname{soc}(M) + N)/N$. Thus $\operatorname{soc}(M/N) = (\operatorname{soc}(M) + N)/N$. Conversely, let *x* be a uniform element in $N \cap H_1(M)$, then we can find a uniform element $y \in M$ such that d(yR/xR) = 1. Hence $e(\bar{y}) = 1$ and so $\bar{y} \in \operatorname{soc}(M/N)$. Therefore, $\bar{y} = \bar{z}$, where $z \in \operatorname{soc}(M)$. Now $xR = H_1(yR) = H_1((y-z)R) \subseteq H_1(N)$. Hence *N* is *h*-neat submodule of *M*.

It is well known that $H_n(M/N) = (H_n(M) + N)/N$ for all nonnegative integer n.

Similar to Proposition 3.1, we have the following.

THEOREM 3.2. A submodule N of M is h-pure in M if and only if $soc(H_n(M/N)) = (soc(H_n(M)) + N)/N$, for all nonnegative integers n.

PROOF. Suppose $\operatorname{soc}(H_n(M/N)) = (\operatorname{soc}(H_n(M)) + N)/N$ holds for all $n \ge 0$. Then by Proposition 3.1 *N* is *h*-neat in *M*. Now suppose $N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$ and *x* be a uniform element in $N \cap H_{n+1}(M)$, then there exists a uniform element $t \in H_n(M)$ such that d(tR/xR) = 1, so $e(\bar{t}) = 1$. Hence by assumption $\bar{t} = \bar{z}$, where $z \in \operatorname{soc}(H_n(m))$. Trivially $t - z \in N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$. Therefore, $xR = H_1(tR) = H_1((t - z)R) \subseteq H_{n+1}(N)$. Hence by induction, *N* is *h*-pure submodule of *M*. Conversely, suppose *N* is *h*-pure in *M*, then by, Proposition 3.1, $\operatorname{soc}(M/N) = (\operatorname{soc}(M) + N)/N$. Now for applying induction suppose $\operatorname{soc}(H_k(M/N)) = (\operatorname{soc}(H_k(M)) + N)/N$. Let \bar{x} be a uniform element in $\operatorname{soc}(H_{k+1}(M/N)) = \operatorname{soc}((H_{k+1}(M) + N)/N)$, then *x* can be chosen to be a uniform element in $H_{k+1}(M)$. Now $\bar{x}R = (xR + N)/N \cong xR/(xR \cap N) = xR/yR$. Then d(xR/yR) = 1 which yields $y \in N \cap H_{k+2}(M) = H_{k+2}(N)$. Therefore we can find a uniform element $t \in H_{k+1}(N)$ such that d(tR/yR) = 1. Hence appealing to [4, Lemma 2.3] we get $e(x - t) \le 1$. Consequently, $x - t \in \operatorname{soc}(H_{k+1}(M))$ and $\bar{x} \in$ $(\operatorname{soc}(H_{k+1}(M) + N)/N)$. Hence we get the equality. \Box

NOTATION 3.3. For any nonnegative integer n, we denote by $S^n(M)$ the submodule $soc(H_n(M/N))$ and by $S_n(M)$ the submodule $(soc(H_n(M)) + N)/N$ and by $S_n(M,N) = S^n(M)/S_n(M)$.

In terms of the above notation and Theorem 3.2, we have the following.

THEOREM 3.4. A submodule N of M is h-pure if and only if $S_t(M,N) = 0$ for all $t \ge 0$.

Now we prove the following which is of independent interest.

THEOREM 3.5. If N is a submodule of M and K is a proper h-pure submodule of M containing N, then the following holds

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(i) $S^{t}(M) = S^{t}(K) + S_{t}(M)$, (ii) $S^{t}(K) \cap S_{t}(M) = S_{t}(K)$.

PROOF. (i) Let $\bar{x} \in S^t(M)$ be a uniform element where x is uniform in $H_t(M)$. Then we can get a uniform element $y \in N$ such that d(xR/yR) = 1, then $y \in N \cap K \cap H_{t+1}(M)$. As K is h-pure, $y \in H_{t+1}(K)$. Therefore there is a uniform element $z \in H_t(K)$ such that d(zR/yR) = 1. Hence $e(x-z) \leq 1$ and we get $x - z \in \text{soc}(H_t(M))$. Consequently, $\bar{x} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$, where $w \in \text{soc}(H_t(M))$ and $\bar{x} \in S^t(K) + S_t(M)$. Hence $S^t(M) = S^t(K) + S_t(M)$.

(ii) Let $\bar{x} \in S^t(K) \cap S_t(M)$, then $\bar{x} = \bar{y} = \bar{z}$, $\bar{y} \in S^t(K)$ and $\bar{z} \in S_t(M)$. As $y - z \in N$, where $y \in H_t(K)$ and $z \in \text{soc}(H_t(M))$ we have $y - z \in K \cap H_t(M) = H_t(K)$ and so $y - z = w \in H_t(K)$. Consequently, $z = y - w \in \text{soc}(H_t(K))$. Hence $\bar{x} = \bar{z} = y - w + N \in (\text{soc}(H_t(K)) + N)/N = S_t(K)$ and we get $S^t(K) \cap S_t(M) = S_t(K)$.

4. Quasi *h*-**pure submodules.** In this section, we introduce quasi *h*-pure submodule weakening the concept of *h*-pure submodules. As in Theorem 3.2, one can think of the equality of $soc(N + H_n(M))$ and $soc(N) + soc(H_n(M))$. It is well known that the equality, in general does not hold. Here we examine, the consequences of the equality of the two expressions.

NOTATION 4.1. For any nonnegative integer t, we denote by $N^t(M)$ the submodule $(N + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$ and by $N_t(M)$ the submodule $N \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M)) + \operatorname{soc}(H_{t+1}(M))$ and by $Q_t(M,N) = N^t(M)/N_t(M)$.

THEOREM 4.2. If N and K are submodules of QTAG-module M such that $N \subseteq K$ and K is h-pure in M, then the module $Q_n(M,N)$ and $Q_n(K,N)$ are isomorphic.

PROOF. Define a map σ : $N^n(K)/N_n(K) \rightarrow N^n(M)/N_n(M)$ such that $\sigma(x+N_n(K)) =$ $x + N_n(M)$. Obviously σ is an *R*-homomorphism. Now if for some $x \in N^n(K)$, $x \in N^n(K)$ $N_n(M)$, then x = y + z, $y \in N \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$ and $z \in \operatorname{soc}(H_{n+1(M)})$, then $y \in K \cap$ $\operatorname{soc}(H_n(M)) \subseteq H_n(K)$ gives $\gamma \in N \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_n(K))$. Also $z = x - \gamma \in K \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$ yields $z \in \text{soc}(H_{n+1}(K))$. Hence $x \in N_n(K)$ and we get σ , a monomorphism. We now prove that σ is an epimorphism. Consider $s \in N^n(M)$ such that s is uniform and $s \notin N_n(M)$ then s = a + b, where $a \in N$, $b \in H_{n+1}(M)$. If $s \in N$ or $s \in H_{n+1}(M)$ we get $s \in N_n(M)$. Hence $aR \cap sR = 0 = bR \cap sR$. Consequently, $aR \subseteq bR \oplus sR$ with $a = bR \oplus sR$ with a =-b+s gives $aR \cong bR$ under the correspondence $ar \leftrightarrow -br$. Then $H_1(aR) = H_1(bR)$ and the above correspondence is identity on $H_1(aR)$. Now $a = s - b \in K \cap H_n(M) =$ $H_n(K)$, so that $H_1(aR) = H_1(bR) \subseteq H_{n+2}(M) \cap K = H_{n+2}(K)$ and we get $\gamma \in H_{n+1}(K)$ such that $H_1(aR) = H_1(\gamma R)$ and $\lambda : aR \to \gamma R$ given by $\lambda(ar) = \gamma r$ is identity on $H_1(aR)$. Consequently, $e(a - y) \le 1$. So that $a - y \in soc(H_n(K))$. Then the mapping $\mu: bR \to \gamma R$ such that $\mu(br) = -\gamma r$ is also identity on $H_1(bR)$ and hence $b + \gamma \in \mathcal{F}$ $\operatorname{soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$. Therefore, $b + y \in N_n(M)$. Also $a - y \in (N + H_{n+1}(K)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_n(K))$. Hence

$$\sigma(a - y + N_n(K)) = a - y + N_n(M) = s - (b + y) + N_n(M) = s + N_n(M).$$
(4.1)

This proves that σ is an epimorphism. Hence the result follows.

THEOREM 4.3. If N is h-neat submodule of M, then N is h-pure in M if and only if $Q_n(M,N) = 0$ for every $n \ge 0$.

PROOF. Let *N* be *h*-pure in *M* then by, Theorem 4.2, $N^t(N)/N_t(N) \equiv N^t(M)/N_t(M)$ for all t > 0, but $N^t(N) = N_t(N)$. Therefore, $N^t(M) = N_t(M)$ and we get $Q_t(M,N) = 0$. Conversely, suppose $N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$. Let *x* be a uniform element in $N \cap H_{n+1}(M)$ then there is a uniform element $y \in H_n(M)$ such that d(yR/xR) = 1 and also as $x \in N \cap H_{n+1}(M) \subseteq N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$ we can find a uniform element $x \in H_{n-1}(N)$ such that d(zR/xR) = 1. Hence $e(y - z) \le 1$ and so $y - z \in \text{soc}(M)$ but $y - z \in$ $N + H_n(M)$ and $y - z \in \text{soc}(H_{n-1}(M))$. Therefore, $y - z \in (N + H_n(M)) \cap \text{soc}(H_{n-1}(M))$ but $N^{t-1}(M) = N_{t-1}(M)$, we get $y - z \in N \cap \text{soc}(H_{n-1}(M)) + \text{soc}(H_n(M))$. So y - z =a + b, $a \in N \cap \text{soc}(H_{n-1}(M))$, $b \in \text{soc}(H_n(M))$, which gives $y - b = a + z \in N \cap$ $H_n(M) = H_n(N)$. Hence $xR = H_1(yR) = H_1((y - b)R) \subseteq H_{n+1}(N)$. Therefore, *N* is *h*-pure in *M*.

The question: what are the submodules for which $Q_n(M,N) = 0$ for all $n \ge 0$? Gave the motivation to define the following.

DEFINITION 4.4. A submodule *N* of a QTAG-module *M* is quasi *h*-pure in *M* if $Q_n(M,N) = 0$ for all $n \ge 0$.

PROPOSITION 4.5. If N is h-pure submodule of M or if N is a subsocle of M, then N is quasi h-pure.

PROOF. If *N* is *h*-pure, then appealing to Theorem 4.3, we get *N* to be quasi *h*-pure. Now if $N \subseteq \text{soc}(M)$, then trivially $N^t(M) = N_t(M)$ for all $t \ge 0$. Hence *N* is quasi *h*-pure submodule of *M*.

Now we give the following nice characterization of quasi *h*-pure submodule.

THEOREM 4.6. If N is a submodule of a QTAG-module M, then the following are equivalent:

(a) N is quasi h-pure in M.

(b) $soc(N + H_n(M)) = soc(N) + soc(H_n(M))$ for all $n \ge 1$.

(c) $H_1(N \cap H_n(M)) = H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M)$ for all $n \ge 1$.

PROOF. (a) \Leftrightarrow (b). Suppose *N* is quasi *h*-pure in *M* then $Q_n(M,N) = 0$ for all $n \ge 0$. Therefore, $N^t(M) = N_t(M)$ gives $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_1(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_1(M))$ for t = 0. Now suppose (b) holds for all $t \le m$, then $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_{m+1}(M)) \le \operatorname{soc}(N + H_m(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_m(M))$. Consequently,

$$soc (N + H_{m+1}(M)) = (N + H_{m+1}(M)) \cap [soc(N) + soc (H_m(M))]$$

= soc(N) + (N + H_{m+1}(M)) \circ soc (H_m(M))
= soc(N) + N \circ soc (H_m(M)) + soc (H_{m+1}(M))
= soc(N) + soc (H_{m+1}(M)). (4.2)

Hence (b) holds for all $n \ge 1$. Now suppose (b) holds then trivially

$$(N+H_{n+1}(M)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M)) \subseteq N \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M)) + \operatorname{soc}(H_{n+1}(M)).$$
(4.3)

Hence $Q_n(M,N) = 0$ for all $n \ge 1$. Therefore *N* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*.

(b)⇔(c). Suppose (b) holds. Trivially $H_1(N \cap H_n(M)) \subseteq H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M)$. Let *x* be a uniform element in $H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M)$, then we get uniform elements $y \in N$ and $z \in H_n(M)$ such that d(yR/xR) = 1 and d(zR/xR) = 1. Hence appealing to [4, Lemma 2.3] we get $e(y-z) \leq 1$, so $y-z \in \operatorname{soc}(N+H_n(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$. Hence y-z = u+v, $u \in \operatorname{soc}(N)$ and $v \in \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$. Thus $y-u = v+z \in N \cap H_n(M)$, consequently $xR = H_1((y-u)R) = H_1((v+z)R) \subseteq H_1(N \cap H_n(M))$. Hence (c) follows. Now suppose (c) holds. Let *x* be a uniform element in $\operatorname{soc}(N+H_n(M))$ then x = w+t, where $w \in N$ and $t \in H_n(M)$. Now $H_1(wR) = H_1((w-x)R) = H_1(-tR) \subseteq H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M) = H_1(N \cap H_n(M))$. Hence, as done in the proof of Theorem 4.2, we get an element $s \in N \cap H_n(M)$ such that $H_1(wR) = H_1(-tR) = H_1(sR)$ and $e(w-s) \leq 1$ and $e(s+t) \leq 1$. Thus $x = w - s + s + t \in \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$ and we get (b).

Although the following result follows from Theorem 4.3, but using the above characterization we get a new proof.

THEOREM 4.7. If N is a submodule of M, then N is h-pure in M if and only if N is h-neat and quasi h-pure in M.

PROOF. If *N* is *h*-pure in *M*, then Theorem 4.3 implies that *N* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*. Now suppose *N* is *h*-neat and quasi *h*-pure in *M* and $N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$, then $H_{n+1}(N) = H_1(N \cap H_n(M)) = H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M)$ by above Theorem 4.6. But $H_1(N) \cap H_{n+1}(M) = (N \cap H_1(M)) \cap H_{n+1}(M) = N \cap H_{n+1}(M)$. Hence by induction *N* is *h*-pure in *M*.

Now as an application of Theorem 4.6(b), we have the following.

THEOREM 4.8. If N is a submodeule of M, then the following hold:

(i) If soc(N) is h-dense in soc M, then N is quasi h-pure in M.

(ii) If N is quasi h-pure in M, then every essential submodule of N is quasi h-pure in M.

PROOF. (i) Since $soc(M) = soc(N) + soc(H_n(M))$ for all $n \ge 0$, so $soc(N + H_n(M)) = soc(N) + soc(H_n(M))$ for all $n \ge 0$. Therefore *N* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*.

(ii) Let *K* be an essential submodule of *N*, then $\operatorname{soc}(K + H_n(M)) \subseteq \operatorname{soc}(N + H_n(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$. Hence $\operatorname{soc}(K + H_n(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(K) + \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$, consequently *K* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*.

COROLLARY 4.9 (see [1, Theorem 66.3]). If *S* is a *h*-dense subsocle of *M*, then any submodule *N* with $soc(N) \subseteq S$ can be extended to an *h*-pure submodule *K* of *M* such that soc(K) = S.

PROOF. Let *K* be an *h*-neat submodule such that $N \subseteq K$ and S = soc(K). Then by Theorem 4.8, *K* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*. Hence by Theorem 4.7, *K* is *h*-pure submodule of *M*.

PROPOSITION 4.10. If N is a submodule of M, then the following hold:

(i) $Q_{m+n}(M,N) = Q_m(H_n(M), N \cap H_n(M))$ for all $n, m \ge 0$.

(ii) $Q_j(M,N) = 0$ for j = 0, 1, ..., n if and only if $soc(N+H_t(M)) = soc(N) + soc(H_t(M))$ for t = 1, ..., n + 1. (iii) If N is quasi h-pure in M, then $N \cap H_n(M)$ is quasi h-pure in $H_n(M)$ for all n. Also if for some $n \ge 1$, $N \cap H_n(M)$ is quasi h-pure in $H_n(M)$ and $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_t(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$ for t = 1, 2, ..., n, then N is quasi h-pure in M.

PROOF. (i) Is straightforward.

(ii) If $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_t(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$ for t = 1, 2, ..., n + 1, then trivially $Q_j(M, N) = 0$ for j = 0, 1, ..., n. Conversely, as $Q_0(M, N) = 0$ we get $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_1(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_1(M))$. Now suppose $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_t(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$ for t < n + 1. Then $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_{t+1}(M)) \subseteq \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$. As done in Theorem 4.6 we get $\operatorname{soc}(N + H_{t+1}(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(N) + \operatorname{soc}(H_{t+1}(M))$.

(iii) Due to (i), $N \cap H_n(M)$ is quasi *h*-pure in $H_n(M)$. Conversely, if $N \cap H_n(M)$ is quasi *h*-pure in $H_n(M)$, $Q_{m+n}(M,N) = 0$ for all $m \ge 0$. But from (ii) we have $Q_j(M,N) = 0$ for j = 0, 1, ..., n - 1. Hence $Q_t(M,N) = 0$ for all $t \ge 0$. So that N is quasi *h*-pure in M.

Now we prove the following interesting result.

PROPOSITION 4.11. If N is a submodule of M and K is h-neat submodule of N. Then any submodule T of M maximal with respect to $T \cap N = K$, is h-neat and $soc(M) \subseteq T + soc(N)$.

PROOF. Trivially *T*/*K* is complement of *N*/*K* in *M*/*K*. Hence *T*/*K* is *h*-neat in *M*/*K* and $\operatorname{soc}(M/K) = \operatorname{soc}(T/K) = \operatorname{soc}(N/K)$. Using Proposition 3.1 we have $\operatorname{soc}(N/K) = (\operatorname{soc}(N) + K)/K$. Hence $\operatorname{soc}(M) \subseteq T + \operatorname{soc}(N)$. Let *x* be a uniform element in $T \cap H_1(M)$, then there exists a uniform element $y \in M$ such that d(yR/xR = 1) if $y \in T$ we are done, otherwise *h*-neatness of *T*/*K* in *M*/*K* will result a uniform element $\overline{t} \in T/K$ such that $d(\overline{t}R/\overline{x}R) = 1$. Hence $e(\overline{y} - \overline{t}) \leq 1$. Therefore, $\overline{y} - \overline{t} \in \operatorname{soc}(M/K)$. Hence we can find $u \in \operatorname{soc}(N)$ and $v \in T$ such that $y - t - u - v \in K$. So y = t + u + v + w, $w \in K$. Hence $xR = H_1((t + u + v + w)R) = H_1((t + v + w)R) \subseteq H_1(T)$. Therefore *T* is *h*-neat in *M*.

THEOREM 4.12. If K is h-pure submodule of $H_n(M)$, where $n \ge 0$. Then every submodule T of M maximal with respect to $T \cap H_n(M) = K$, is h-pure in M.

PROOF. Proposition 4.11 yields that *T* is *h*-neat in *M* and $\operatorname{soc}(M) \subseteq T + \operatorname{soc}(H_n(M))$. Hence $\operatorname{soc}(T + H_t(M)) = \operatorname{soc}(T) + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(M))$ for t = 1, 2, ..., n. Trivially $T \cap H_n(M)$ is quasi *h*-pure in $H_n(M)$. Hence by Proposition 4.10(iii), *T* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*. Therefore by Theorem 4.7, *T* is *h*-pure in *M*.

As in [3] a submodule *N* of *M* is called *h*-dense if M/N is *h*-divisible. From the notation of $N^t(M)$ and $N_t(M)$ it is easy to see that $N^t(M) = \operatorname{soc}(N \cap H_t(M) + H_{t+1}(M))$ and $N_t(M) = \operatorname{soc}(\operatorname{soc}(N) \cap H_t(M) + H_{t+1}(M))$. Now using Theorem 4.6 we establish the following results.

PROPOSITION 4.13. If N is a submodule of M and K is a quasi h-pure h-dense submodule of N, then $Q_t(M,K) = Q_t(M,N)$ for all $t \ge 0$.

PROOF. Due to *h*-divisibility of N/K, we have $N = K + H_t(N)$ for all $t \ge 0$. Hence $N^t(M) = K^t(M)$ for all *t*. Since *K* is quasi *h*-pure in *N*, so by Theorem 4.6, soc(*N*) =

 $\operatorname{soc}(K) = + \operatorname{soc}(H_t(N))$ for all $t \ge 0$. Now

$$N_{t}(M) = \operatorname{soc}(\operatorname{soc}(N) \cap H_{t}(M) + H_{t+1}(M)) = (\operatorname{soc}(N))^{t}(M)$$

= $(\operatorname{soc}(N) + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_{t}(M))$
= $(\operatorname{soc}(K) + \operatorname{soc}(H_{t+1}(N) + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_{t}(M)))$
= $(\operatorname{soc}(K) + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \operatorname{soc}(H_{t}(M)) = (\operatorname{soc}(K))^{t}(M) = K_{t}(M).$ (4.4)

Therefore, $Q_t(M,K) = Q_t(M,N)$.

PROPOSITION 4.14. If N is quasi h-pure in M and $soc(N) \subseteq \bigcap_{1}^{\infty} H_n(M)$, then $N \subseteq \bigcap_{1}^{\infty} H_n(M)$.

PROOF. Suppose every uniform element of *N* of exponent *t* lies inside $\cap H_n(M)$. Let *x* be a uniform element in *N* such that e(x) = t + 1. Then we can find a uniform element $y \in xR$ such that d(xR/yR) = 1. Hence $y \in \cap H_n(M)$ and we get $y \in H_n(M)$ for every *n*. Consequently, there is a uniform element $z_i \in H_i(M)$ such that $d(z_iR/yR) = 1$ which in turn will give $e(x-z_i) \leq 1$. So $x - z_i \in \text{soc}(N + H_i(M)) = \text{soc}(N) + \text{soc}(H_i(M))$. Let $x - z_i = u + v$, $u \in \text{soc}(N)$ and $v \in \text{soc}(H_i(M))$. Since $\text{soc}(N) \subset \cap H_n(M)$, so $x \in \cap H_n(M)$ and we get $N \subseteq \cap_1^{\infty} H_n(M)$.

Finally appealing to Theorem 4.2 and Proposition 4.13 we have the following.

THEOREM 4.15. If N is a submodule of M, then the following hold:

(a) If N is quasi h-pure in M and K is h-pure in M such that $N \subseteq K$, then N is quasi h-pure in K.

(b) If N is quasi h-pure in an h-pure submodule K of M, then N is quasi h-pure in M.
(c) If N is quasi h-pure in M, then every quasi h-pure and h-dense submodule K of N is quasi h-pure in M.

(d) If *N* has a quasi *h*-pure and *h*-dense submodule *K* such that *K* is also quasi *h*-pure in *M*, then *N* is quasi *h*-pure in *M*.

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