



## ON $h$ -PURIFIABLE SUBMODULE OF QTAG-MODULE

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**Abstract.** Different concepts and decomposition theorems have been done for QTAG-modules by a number of authors. The concept of quasi  $h$ -pure submodules were introduced and different characterizations were obtained in [5]. The purpose of this paper is to obtain the relation between purifiability of a submodule and quasi  $h$ -pure submodules. Further we obtained results which shows that purifiability of a submodule is very much dependent on the purifiability of a  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule of the given submodule.

### 0. Introduction

S. Singh [9] introduced the concept of QTAG-module and did different decomposition theorems. A module  $M_R$  is called QTAG-module if it satisfies the condition : Every finitely generated submodule of any homomorphic image of  $M$  is a direct sum of uniserial modules. Since the different concepts for QTAG-modules have been introduced by different authors and various results based on those concepts have been obtained. In [5], Mohd. Z. Khan and A. Zubair introduced the concept of quasi  $h$ -pure submodules and obtained various characterizations and their consequences. In this paper we continue the similar study in term of purifiability of submodules and obtained a characterization. We have also established a necessary and sufficient condition for a submodule to be  $h$ -purifiable.

### 1. Preliminaries

Rings considered here are with unity ( $1 \neq 0$ ) and modules are unital QTAG-module. A module in which the lattice of its submodules is totally ordered is called a serial module; in addition if it has finite composition length it is called uniserial module. An element  $x \in M$  is called uniform if  $xR$  is a non zero uniform (hence uniserial) submodule of  $M$ . If  $x \in M$  is uniform then  $e(x) = d(xR)$  (The composition length of  $xR$ ),  $H_M(x) = \sup\{d(yR/xR) / x \in yR$

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and  $y \in M$  is uniform } are called exponent of  $x$  and height of  $x$  in  $M$  respectively. For any  $n \geq 0$ ,  $H_n(M) = \{x \in M / H_M(x) \geq n\}$ . A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is called  $h$ -pure in  $M$  if  $H_k(N) = N \cap H_k(M)$  for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $N$  is  $h$ -neat in  $M$  if  $H_1(N) = N \cap H_1(M)$ . The module  $M$  is called  $h$ -divisible if  $H_1(M) = M$ . For other basic concepts of QTAG-module one may see [2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9].

## 2. Purifiability

Firstly we recall the following:

**Lemma A**([2]). If  $A$  and  $B$  are any two uniserial submodules of a QTAG-module  $M$  such that  $A \cap B \neq 0$  and  $d(A) \leq d(B)$ . Then there exists a monomorphism  $\sigma : A \rightarrow B$ , which is identity on  $A \cap B$ .

**Definition 2.1** ([8]). A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is called  $h$ -dense if  $M/N$  is  $h$ -divisible.

**Definition 2.2** ([7]). A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is said to be almost  $h$ -dense in  $M$  if for every  $h$ -pure submodule  $K$  of  $M$  containing  $N$ ,  $M/K$  is  $h$ -divisible.

Now we restate the following :

**Theorem 2.3** ([7], Theorem 5). A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is almost  $h$ -dense in  $M$  if and only if  $N + H_n(M) \supseteq \text{Soc}(H_{n-1}(M))$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Now before defining the  $h$ -purifiable submodule, we would like to adopt the following notations and results from [5].

**Notation 2.4** ([5]). For any non-negative integer  $t$  and for a submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$ , we denote by  $N^t(M)$  the submodule  $(N + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \text{Soc}(H_t(M))$ , by  $N_t(M)$  the submodule  $(N \cap \text{Soc}(H_t(M))) + \text{Soc}(H_{t+1}(M))$  and by  $Q_t(M, N) = N^t(M) / N_t(M)$ .

It is trivial to see that

$$\begin{aligned} N^t(M) &= (N + H_{t+1}(M)) \cap \text{Soc}(H_t(M)) \\ &= \text{Soc}(N \cap H_t(M) + H_{t+1}(M)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N_t(M) &= (N \cap \text{Soc}(H_t(M))) + \text{Soc}(H_{t+1}(M)) \\ &= (\text{Soc}(N))^t(M) \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.5** ([5], 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, for all  $n$ .*

**Theorem 2.6** ([5], 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 all  $n \in Z^+$ .*

Now we define  $h$ -purifiable submodule:

**Definition 2.7.** A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is called  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$  if there exists a submodule  $K$  of  $M$  minimal among the  $h$ -pure submodules of  $M$  containing  $N$ .

Such  $K$  is called  $h$ -pure hull of  $N$  in  $M$ .

Now we restate the following:

**Theorem 2.8** ([6]). *A submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$  if and only if there exists a  $h$ -pure submodule  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_n(K)) \subseteq N \subseteq K$  for some  $n \in Z^+$ .*

**Proposition 2.9.** *If  $N$  is a  $h$ -purifiable submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$ ; then there exists  $m \in Z^+$  such that  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ .*

**Proof.** If  $N$  itself is an  $h$ -pure submodule, then by [5, Theorem 4.7],  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Now appealing Theorem 2.8, we get an  $h$ -pure submodule  $K$  of  $M$  and  $m \in Z^+$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_m(K)) \subseteq N \subseteq K$ . Now for  $n \geq m$  it is trivial to see that  $N^n(K) = (N + H_{n+1}(K)) \cap \text{Soc}(H_n(K)) = \text{Soc}(H_n(K)) = N_n(K)$ . Hence,  $Q_n(K, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ . Therefore from Theorem 2.5, we get  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ .

Now we generalize [1, Theorem 66.3] and is of very interesting nature.

**Theorem 2.10.** *If  $M$  is a QTAG-module then every  $h$ -dense subsocle of  $M$  supports an  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule.*

**Proof.** Let  $S$  be a subsocle of  $M$  and  $S$  be  $h$ -dense; then  $\text{Soc}(M) = S + \text{Soc}(H_k(M))$  for all  $k \in Z^+$ . Let  $N$  be maximal with the property  $\text{Soc}(N) = S$ . Firstly we show that  $N$  is  $h$ -neat submodule of  $M$ . Let  $x$  be a uniform element in  $N \cap H_1(M)$ , then for a uniform element  $y \in M$ , we have  $d(yR/xR) = 1$ . If  $y \in N$ , then  $x \in H_1(N)$ . Let  $y \notin N$  then  $S \subsetneq \text{Soc}(N + yR)$ . Hence, there exists a uniform element  $z \in \text{Soc}(N + xR)$  such that  $z \notin S$  and  $z = u + yr$  where  $u \in N$  and  $r \in R$ . Trivially  $yrR = yR$ , hence without any loss of generality we can assume  $z = u + y$ . Define  $\eta : yR \rightarrow uR$  such that  $\eta(yr) = ur$ . Let  $yr = 0$ , then  $zr = ur$ . If  $zrR = zR$  then  $z \in S$ , a contradiction, therefore  $zr = 0$  and we get  $ur = 0$ , consequently  $\eta$  is a well defined epimorphism. Therefore,  $uR$  is a uniform submodule. Since  $u + y \in \text{Soc}(M)$ ,  $H_1(uR) =$

$H_1(yR)$ , but  $xR$  is a maximal submodule of  $M$ ; hence  $H_1(yR) = xR$  and we get  $x \in H_1(N)$ . Thus,  $N \cap H_1(M) = H_1(N)$ . Now suppose  $N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$  and let  $x$  be a uniform element in  $N \cap H_{n+1}(M)$ ; then  $d(yR/xR) = 1$  for some uniform element  $y \in H_n(M)$ . Since  $N$  is  $h$ -neat in  $M$ , there is a uniform element  $y' \in N$  such that  $d(y'R/xR) = 1$ . Hence by Lemma A, there is an isomorphism  $\sigma : yR \rightarrow y'R$  which is identity on  $xR$ . The map  $\eta : yR \rightarrow (y - y')R$  where  $\sigma(y) = y'$  is an epimorphism with  $xR \subseteq \text{Ker } \eta$ . Hence,  $e(y - y') \leq 1$  and we get  $y - y' \in \text{Soc}(M) = S + \text{Soc}(H_n(M))$ . Therefore,  $y - y' = s + t$  for some  $s \in S, t \in H_n(M)$ . Consequently,  $y - t = y' + s \in N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(N)$ . Since  $y - y' - s \in \text{Soc}(M)$ ,  $H_1(yR) = H_1((y' + s)R) \subseteq H_{n+1}(N)$ . Hence,  $x \in H_{n+1}(N)$ . Therefore,  $N$  is  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$ .

Now let  $\bar{x} \in \text{Soc}(M/N) = (\text{Soc}(M) + N)/N$  be a uniform element; then by [Lemma 3.9, 9] there exists a uniform element  $x' \in M$  such that  $\bar{x} = \bar{x}'$  and  $e(x') = 1$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(M) = S + \text{Soc}(H_k(M))$  for all  $k$ , we get  $\bar{x} \in H_k(M/N)$  for every  $k$ . Hence,  $\bar{x} \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} H_k(M/N)$  and appealing to [9, Theorem 3.11], we get  $M/N$  is  $h$ -divisible. Hence,  $N$  is  $h$ -dense in  $M$ .

**Observation:** Using the notations used earlier, the  $h$ -purity can be established as: Since  $\text{Soc}(M) = \text{Soc}(N) + \text{Soc}(H_k(M))$  for all  $k \in Z^+$ , it is easy to see that  $N^n(M) = N_n(M)$  and  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \in Z^+$ . Since  $N$  is  $h$ -neat, therefore by [5, Theorem 4.7],  $N$  is  $h$ -pure in  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** *If  $N$  is almost  $h$ -dense submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$ . Then  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$  if and only if there exists  $m \in Z^+$  such that  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $N$  be  $h$ -purifiable then by Theorem 2.9, we get  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ . Conversely, suppose that  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$  and  $N$  is almost  $h$ -dense in  $M$ . Then  $N^n(M) = N_n(M) = \text{Soc}(N \cap H_n(M)) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$ . Since  $N$  is almost  $h$ -dense in  $M$ , therefore by Theorem 2.3, we get  $\text{Soc}(H_n(M)) = \text{Soc}(N \cap H_n(M)) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(M))$  for all  $n \geq m$ . Therefore,  $\text{Soc}(N \cap H_m(M))$  is  $h$ -dense subsocle of  $H_m(M)$ . Now appealing to Theorem 2.10, we can find an  $h$ -pure submodule  $K$  of  $H_m(M)$  such that  $\text{Soc}(K) \subseteq N \cap H_m(M) \subseteq K$ . It is easy to see that  $H_m(M)/K$  is  $h$ -divisible submodule of  $M/K$  and  $H_m(M)/K \cap (N+K)/K = 0$ . Hence there exists a submodule  $T/K$  such that  $(N+K)/K \subseteq T/K$  and  $M/K = H_m(M)/K \oplus T/K$ . Now by [Proposition 2.5, 4],  $T$  is  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$ . Trivially  $T \cap H_m(M) = K$ , but  $T \cap H_m(M) = H_m(T)$ ; so  $H_m(T) = K$ . Hence,  $\text{Soc}(H_m(K)) \subseteq \text{Soc}(K) \subseteq N$ . Hence by Theorem 2.8, we get  $N$  to be  $h$ -purifiable.

### 3. Role of $h$ -pure and $h$ -dense submodules

In this section we show that  $h$ -purifiability of a submodule depends upon the  $h$ -purifiability of an  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule of the given submodule.

Firstly we prove the following results for obtaining a necessary and sufficient condition for  $h$ -purifiability.

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $B$  is an  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule of a submodule  $K$  of a QTAG-module  $M$ , then  $Q_n(M, N) = Q_n(M, B)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $B$  is  $h$ -dense in  $K$ , then we have  $K = B + H_{n+1}(K)$  for all  $n \geq 0$  and hence,  $K + H_{n+1}(M) = B + H_{n+1}(M)$ . Therefore,  $K^n(M) = B^n(M)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Further,  $K_n(M) = (\text{Soc}(K))^n(M) = (\text{Soc}(K) + H_{n+1}(M)) \cap \text{Soc}(H_n(M))$ . Now appealing to [3, Prop.6], we get

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(M) &= \left( \text{Soc}(B) + \text{Soc}(H_{n+1}(K)) + H_{n+1}(M) \right) \cap \text{Soc}(H_n(M)) \\ &= \left( \text{Soc}(B) + H_{n+1}(M) \right) \cap \text{Soc}(H_n(M)) \\ &= B_n(M) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $Q_n(M, K) = Q_n(M, B)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** *If  $B$  is a  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule of a submodule  $K$  of a QTAG-module  $M$ . If  $K$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ , then  $B$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $T$  be a  $h$ -pure hull of  $K$  in  $M$ . Since  $B$  is  $h$ -dense in  $K$  we get,  $K/B$  is  $h$ -divisible, so  $T/B = K/B \oplus L/B$ . Appealing to [Proposition 2.5, 4] we get,  $L$  to be  $h$ -pure submodule of  $T$  and hence  $L$  is  $h$ -pure in  $M$ . Let  $N$  be a  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$  such that  $B \subseteq N \subseteq L$ . Then we claim that  $K+N$  is a  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$ . Since  $K = B + H_n(K)$ , we have  $K+N = H_n(K) + N$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (K+N) \cap H_n(M) &= (H_n(K) + N) \cap H_n(M) \\ &= H_n(K) + (N \cap H_n(M)) \\ &= H_n(K) + H_n(N) \\ &= H_n(K+N) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Since  $T$  is a  $h$ -pure hull of  $K$  in  $M$ , we have  $K+N = T$  and

$$L = (K+N) \cap L = N + (K \cap L) = N + B = N$$

Therefore,  $L$  is a  $h$ -pure hull of  $B$  in  $M$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** *If  $B$  is a  $h$ -pure and  $h$ -dense submodule of a submodule  $K$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  and if  $N$  be a  $h$ -pure hull of  $B$  in  $M$  and  $\text{Soc}(N) = \text{Soc}(B)$ , then  $K+N$  is a  $h$ -pure hull of  $K$  in  $M$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $K/B$  is  $h$ -divisible, we have  $K = B + H_n(K)$ . Now  $K + N = B + H_n(K) + N = N + H_n(K)$  and hence  $(K + N) \cap H_n(M) = (N + H_n(K)) \cap H_n(M) = H_n(K) + N \cap H_n(M) = H_n(K) + H_n(N) = H_n(K + N)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Therefore,  $K + N$  is  $h$ -pure submodule of  $M$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(N) = \text{Soc}(B)$ , so  $\text{Soc}(K \cap N) = \text{Soc}(B)$ , so  $N \cap K$  is an essential extension of  $B$  in  $K$ . Since  $h$ -pure submodules have no proper essential extensions, therefore we get,  $K \cap N = B$ . Now we show that  $\text{Soc}(K + N) = \text{Soc}(K)$ , which will yield that  $N + K$  is  $h$ -pure hull of  $K$  in  $M$ . Using [Lemma 1, 2] we can proceed as: If  $x \in \text{Soc}(K + N)$  then  $H_1(xR) = 0$  and  $x = k + t$  where  $k \in K, t \in N$ , then  $H_1(tR) = H_1(kR) \subseteq N \cap K = B \cap H_1(K) = H_1(B)$ . Hence,  $H_1(tR) = H_1(kR) = H_1(bR)$  for  $b \in B$ . Hence,  $k - b \in \text{Soc}(K)$  and  $t + b, t - b \in \text{Soc}(N) = \text{Soc}(B)$ . Hence  $x = k - b + b + t \in \text{Soc}(K)$  and we get  $\text{Soc}(K + N) = \text{Soc}(K)$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** *If  $K$  is a  $h$ -pure hull of a submodule  $N$  of a QTAG-module  $M$  such that  $\text{Soc}(K) \neq \text{Soc}(N)$ . Then there exists  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $Q_m(M, N) \neq 0$ .*

**Proof.** From Theorem 2.8 and Theorem 2.3, there exists  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_n(K)) \subseteq N$  and  $\text{Soc}(H_t(K)) \subseteq N + H_{t+1}(K)$  for all  $t \geq 0$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(K) \neq \text{Soc}(N)$ , the smallest  $n$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_n(K)) \subseteq N$ , we have  $n \neq 0$ .

Now taking  $n = m - 1, N^m(K) = \text{Soc}(H_m(K))$  while  $N_m(K) \subset N$ . Therefore,  $N^m(K) \neq N_m(K)$  but by [5, Theorem 2.1],  $Q_m(M, N) \cong Q_m(M, K) \neq 0$ . Hence,  $Q_m(M, N) \neq 0$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $N$  be a submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$ . if  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ , then  $N \cap H_n(M)$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $H_n(M)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Conversely, if  $N \cap H_n(M)$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $H_n(M)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ , then  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $K$  be  $h$ -pure hull of  $N$  in  $M$ , then trivially  $H_n(K)$  is  $h$ -pure submodule  $H_n(M)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Also  $H_n(K) = K \cap H_n(M) \supseteq N \cap H_n(M)$ .

Now we claim that  $H_n(K)$  is  $h$ -pure hull of  $N \cap H_n(M)$  in  $H_n(M)$ . Let  $T$  be  $h$ -pure submodule of  $H_n(M)$  such that  $H_n(K) \supseteq T \supseteq N \cap H_n(M)$ . Trivially  $N \cap H_n(K) \subseteq N \cap H_n(M)$  and  $N \cap H_n(K) \supseteq T \cap N \supseteq N \cap H_n(M)$ ; consequently  $H_n(K) \supseteq T \supseteq N \cap H_n(M) = N \cap H_n(K)$ . Now appealing to [Theorem 4.12, 5], we can extend  $N + T$  to an  $h$ -pure submodule  $D$  of  $K$  such that  $D \cap H_n(K) = T$  (we can note that  $(N + T) \cap H_n(K) = T + N \cap H_n(K) = T$ ). Thus,  $D = K$  and we get  $H_n(K) = T$ . Hence,  $H_n(K)$  is  $h$ -pure hull of  $N \cap H_n(M)$  in  $H_n(M)$ . Conversely, let  $N \cap H_n(M)$  be  $h$ -purifiable in  $H_n(M)$  and  $T$  be  $h$ -pure hull of  $N \cap H_n(M)$  in  $H_n(M)$ . Then as done above  $(N + T) \cap H_n(M) = T$  and  $N + T$  can be extended to an  $h$ -pure submodule  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $K \cap H_n(M) = T$ . Clearly  $T = H_n(K)$ . Appealing to Theorem 2.8 there exists  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $\text{Soc}(H_m(T)) \subseteq H_n(M)$ ; so  $\text{Soc}(H_{m+n}(K)) \subseteq N \subseteq K$ . Hence by Theorem 2.8,  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** *If  $N$  is a submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$ . Then  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable if and only if all basic submodules of  $N$  are  $h$ -purifiable.*

**Proof.** Let all basic submodules of  $N$  be  $h$ -purifiable. Then by Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 2.11, there exists  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $Q_n(M, N) = 0$  for all  $n \geq m$ . Hence  $Q_n(H_m(M), N \cap H_m(M)) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Let  $B$  be a basic submodule of  $N \cap H_m(M)$ ; then  $N/B = (N \cap H_m(M))/B \oplus T/B$  and we get  $T$  to be  $h$ -pure in  $N$  (see [Proposition 2.5, 4]) also  $T/B \cong N/(N \cap H_m(M)) \cong (N + H_m(M))/H_m(M)$  is trivially bounded. Hence,  $T$  is also a direct sum of uniserial modules and we get  $T$  to be a basic submodule of  $N$ . As given,  $T$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ , therefore  $T \cap H_m(M) = B$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $H_m(M)$  by Proposition 3.5; consequently  $B$  is  $h$ -purifiable basic submodule of  $N \cap H_m(M)$  in  $H_m(M)$ , and  $Q_n(H_m(M), B) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Now let  $L$  be a  $h$ -pure hull of  $B$  in  $H_m(M)$ , then  $Q_n(L, B) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ , and by Proposition 3.4,  $Soc(L) = Soc(B)$ . Hence by Proposition 3.3,  $N \cap H_m(M)$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $H_m(M)$  and so by Proposition 3.5,  $N$  is  $h$ -purifiable in  $M$ . The converse follows from Theorem 3.2.

Lastly we prove the following result which is of particular interest.

**Theorem 3.7.** *If  $N$  is almost  $h$ -dense submodule of a QTAG-module  $M$  and  $K$  is  $h$ -pure hull of  $Soc(N)$ . Then  $Q_n(M, N) \cong (Soc(H_n(M)) + K) / (Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) + K)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .*

**Proof.** As  $N$  is almost  $h$ -dense in  $M$ , then appealing to Theorem 2.3, we have  $N^n(M) = Soc(H_n(M))$  Since  $K$  is  $h$ -pure hull of  $Soc(N)$  in  $M$ ,  $Soc(K) = Soc(N)$ . Therefore,  $N_n(M) = Soc(N \cap H_n(M)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) = Soc(H_n(K)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$ . So we get  $Q_n(M, N) = Soc(H_n(M)) / (Soc(H_n(K)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M)))$ . Now we define a map  $\eta: Q_n(M, N) \rightarrow (Soc(H_n(M)) + K) / (Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) + K)$  given as  $\eta(x + Soc(H_n(K)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M))) = x + Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) + K$ . Then trivially  $\eta$  is well defined and onto homomorphism. Now we show that  $\eta$  is one-one. Let  $x + Soc(H_n(K)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) \in \text{Ker } \eta$ , then  $x \in Soc(H_{n+1}(M)) + K$ , so  $x = y + k$ ,  $y \in Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$ ,  $k \in K$  and we get  $x - y = k \in K \cap Soc(H_n(M))$  but  $K$  is  $h$ -pure in  $M$ ; hence  $x - y \in Soc(H_n(K))$ , which yields  $x \in Soc(H_n(K)) + Soc(H_{n+1}(M))$ . Therefore,  $\text{Ker } \eta = 0$  and we get  $\eta$  to be an isomorphism.

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