STABILITY OF GORENSTEIN GRADED FLAT MODULES

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce second degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules and we show that the two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules are nothing more than that the Gorenstein gr-flat modules over a GF-gr-closed ring.

1 Introduction

The development of the Gorenstein homological algebra has reached an advanced level since the pioneering works of Auslander and Bridger [3]. The homological theory of graded rings is very important because of its applications in algebraic geometry [6]. In particular, the Gorenstein homological theory for graded rings was developed in [1, 2], where Gorenstein gr-projective, grinjective, and gr-flat modules were defined and studied. More recently, L. Mao [7] studied and proved some results about strongly Gorenstein graded modules.

On the other hand Sather-Wagstaff et al. [8] proved that iterating the process used to define Gorenstein projective modules exactly gives to the Gorenstein projective modules. Also, they proved in [9] a stability of the subcategory of Gorenstein flat modules under a procedure to build R-modules from complete resolutions. Further, S. Bouchiba et al. in [4] proved over a left GF-closed ring R, the stability of the Gorenstein flat modules under the very process used to define these entities. Also stability property of various modules are studied by many authors, see [4, 11, 13]. Our main aim of this paper is to obtain stability of Gorenstein graded flat modules over graded rings.

This paper is divided into 5 sections. In Section 2, we recall the basic definitions and facts which will be used in further sections. In Section 3, we recall the definitions of Gorenstein gr-flat modules and Gorenstein gr-injective modules. Also we introduce second degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules and initiate our main theorem. GF-gr-closed rings are introduced in section 4. Last section, we introduce strongly Gorenstein gr-flat modules, which is different notion from L. Mao [7] and over a GF-gr-closed ring, we show that the two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules are nothing more than that the Gorenstein gr-flat modules.

2 Preliminaries

We recall graded rings and modules and list some results which are used throughout this paper. All rings are associative with identity element and the (left or right) R-modules are unital. By R-Mod we denote the Grothendieck category of all left R-modules. Let G be a multiplicative group with identity element e. A graded ring [12] R is a ring with identity 1, together with a direct decomposition $R = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} R_{\sigma}$ (as additive subgroups) such that $R_{\sigma}R_{\tau} \subseteq R_{\sigma\tau}$ for all $\sigma, \tau \in G$. Thus R_e is a subring of R, $1 \in R_e$ and for every $\sigma \in G$, R_{σ} is an R_e -bimodule. A left graded R-module is a left R-module M endowed with an internal direct sum decomposition $M = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} M_{\sigma}$, where each M_{σ} is a subgroup of the additive group of M such that $R_{\sigma}M_{\tau} \subseteq M_{\sigma\tau}$ for all $\sigma, \tau \in G$. For M and N graded left R-modules, we put

 $Hom_{R-gr}(M, N) = \{f : M \to N | \text{ is } R \text{-linear and } f(M_{\sigma}) \subseteq N_{\sigma}, \forall \sigma \in G \}.$

 $Hom_{R-gr}(M, N)$ is the group of all morphisms from M to N in the category R-gr of the graded left R-modules (gr-R will denote the category of the graded right R-modules). It is well known that R-gr is a Grothendieck category (refer [12]). An R-linear $f : M \longrightarrow N$ is said to be a graded morphism of degree $\tau, \tau \in G$, if $f(M_{\sigma}) \subseteq M_{\sigma\tau}$ for all $\sigma \in G$. Graded morphisms of degree τ build an additive subgroup $HOM_R(M, N)_{\tau}$ of $Hom_R(M, N)$. It is clear that $HOM_R(M, N)_e = Hom_{R-gr}(M, N)$. Note that $HOM_R(M, N) = \bigoplus_{\tau \in G} HOM_R(M, N)_{\tau}$ is a graded abelian group of type G. We will denote Ext_R^i , Ext_{R-gr}^i , and EXT_R^n as the left derived functor of Hom_R , Hom_{R-gr} , and HOM_R , respectively.

Given a graded left *R*-module *M*, we can define the graded character module of *M* as [2] $M^+ = HOM_{\mathbb{Z}}(M, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$. We note that it can be seen as $M^+ = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} Hom_{\mathbb{Z}}(M_{\sigma^{-1}}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$.

Let M be a graded right R-module and N a graded left R-module. The abelian group $M \otimes_R N$ may be graded by putting $(M \otimes_R N)_{\sigma}, \sigma \in G$, equal to the additive subgroup generated by elements $x \otimes y$ with $x \in M_{\alpha}, y \in N_{\beta}$ such that $\alpha\beta = \sigma$. The object of \mathbb{Z} -gr thus defined will called the graded tensor product of M and N. The projective objects of R-gr will be called projective (resp. flat) graded modules because M is gr-projective (rep. gr-flat) if and if only is a projective (resp. flat) module (refer [12], C.A, sec 1.2).

3 Gorenstein *gr*-flat modules

In this section, we first collect some known definitions and introduce two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules.

Definition 3.1. [2] An exact sequence

$$\cdots \to F_1 \to F_0 \to F^0 \to F^1 \to \cdots$$

of gr-flat left R-modules in R-gr is called a complete gr-flat resolution if $E \otimes_R -$ leaves the sequence exact for any gr-injective right R-module E. A graded left R-module M is called Gorenstein gr-flat if there is a complete gr-flat resolution above such that $M \cong Ker(F^0 \to F^1)$.

Definition 3.2. [1] A graded right R-module M is called Gorenstein gr-injective, if there exists an exact sequence of gr-injective right R-modules

$$\cdots \to E_1 \to E_0 \to E^0 \to E^1 \to \cdots$$

such that $M \cong Ker(E^0 \to E^1)$ and such that $Hom_{R-gr}(E, -)$ leaves the sequence exact whenever E is an gr-injective right R-module.

Now, we introduce the definition of two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat modules as follows.

Definition 3.3. A graded left R-module M is said to be two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat if there exists an exact sequence of Gorenstein gr-flat left R-modules

 $\cdots \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow G^0 \rightarrow G^1 \rightarrow \cdots$

such that $M \cong Im(G_0 \to G^0)$ and it remains exact after applying $H \otimes_R -$ for any Gorenstein gr-injective right R-module H.

Let $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R)$ and $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}^{(2)}(R)$ be the class of all Gorenstein gr-flat left and two-degree Gorenstein gr-flat left modules over R respectively. Also denote $\mathcal{GF}_{i-gr}^{(2)}(R)$ the subcategory of $\mathcal{M}(R)$ for which there exists an exact sequence of Gorenstein gr-flat R-modules

$$\cdots \to G_1 \to G_0 \to G^0 \to G^1 \to \cdots$$

such that $M \cong Im(G_0 \to G^0)$ and it remains exact after applying $E \otimes_R -$ for any gr-injective *R*-module *E*. It is routine to check that

$$\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{GF}_{gr}^{(2)}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{GF}_{i-gr}^{(2)}(R).$$

Our main result proves that these inequalities becomes equalities when R is a left GF-gr-closed ring as is stated next.

Main Theorem: Let R be a left GF-gr-closed ring. Then

$$\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R) = \mathcal{GF}_{qr}^{(2)}(R) = \mathcal{GF}_{i-qr}^{(2)}(R).$$

4 GF-gr-closed ring

In this section, we introduce left *GF*-gr-closed rings as follows.

Definition 4.1. A ring R is called left GF-gr-closed if $\mathcal{GF}_{qr}(R)$ is closed under extensions.

We start with the following Lemma.

Lemma 4.2. For a graded left *R*-module *M* the following are equivalent:

- (1) *M* is Gorenstein gr-flat;
- (2) M satisfies the two following conditions:
 - (i) $Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for all i > 0 and all gr-injective right R-modules E; and
 - (ii) There exists an exact sequence in R-gr, $0 \to M \to F^0 \to F^1 \to \cdots$, with each F^i is gr-flat, such that $E \otimes_R -$ leaves the sequence exact whenever E is gr-injective right R-module;
- (3) There exists a short exact sequence in R-gr, $0 \to M \to F \to G \to 0$, where F is gr-flat and G is Gorenstein gr-flat.

Proof. From the definition of Gorenstein gr-flat R modules, the equivalence $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2)$ and $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ are clear.

Now, we prove $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$. Suppose that there exists a short exact sequence in *R*-gr:

$$(\alpha): 0 \to M \to F \to G \to 0$$

where F is gr-flat and G is Gorenstein gr-flat. Let E be an gr-injective right R-module. Since G is Gorenstein gr-flat and by the equivalence (1) \Leftrightarrow (2), $Tor_{i+1}(E,G) = 0$ for all $i \ge 0$. Then, use the long exact sequence,

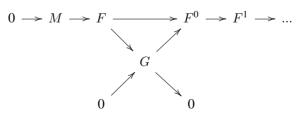
$$Tor_{i+1}(E,G) \to Tor_i(E,M) \to Tor_i(E,F),$$

to get $Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for all i > 0.

On the other hand, since G is Gorenstein gr-flat, there is an exact sequence

$$(\beta): \mathbf{0} \to G \to F^{\mathbf{0}} \to F^{\mathbf{1}} \to \cdots,$$

in *R*-gr with each F^i is gr-flat, such that $E \otimes_R -$ leaves the sequence exact whenever E is an gr-injective right *R*-module. From the sequences (α) and (β), we get the following commutative diagram:



such that $E \otimes_R -$ leaves the upper exact sequence exact whenever E is an gr-injective right R-module, as desired.

Lemma 4.3. Let $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$ be a short exact sequence in *R*-gr. If *A* is Gorenstein gr-flat and *C* is gr-flat, then *B* is Gorenstein gr-flat

Proof. Since A is Gorenstein gr-flat, there exists a short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \rightarrow 0$ in R-gr, with F is gr-flat and G is Gorenstein gr-flat. Consider the following pushout diagram:

In the sequence $0 \to F \to F' \to C \to 0$, both F and C are gr-flat, therefore F' is. Then, by the middle vertical sequence B is Gorenstein gr-flat by Lemma 4.2, as desired.

Next, we have the following result which is clear from the definition of Gorenstein graded flat modules.

Theorem 4.4. If R is a left GF-gr-closed ring, then the class $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R)$ is closed under direct summands.

5 Stability of Gorenstein *gr*-flat modules

We need the following definitions and results to prove the main theorem of this paper. First, let us denote Gorenstein G gr-flat module, any element of $\mathcal{GF}_{i-ar}^{(2)}(R)$.

Definition 5.1. A graded left R-module M is called a strongly Gorenstein gr-flat module if there exists an exact sequence of R-modules,

$$0 \to M \to F \to M \to 0$$

in *R*-gr such that F is a gr-flat and $E \otimes_R -$ leaves this sequence exact whenever E is an gr-injective right module.

Next, we introduce strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module.

Definition 5.2. A graded left *R*-module *M* is called a strongly Gorenstein G *gr*-flat module if there exists an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ in *R*-*gr* such that *G* is Gorenstein *gr*-flat over *R* and $E \otimes_R$ – leaves the sequence exact for all *gr*-injective right *R*-module *E*.

Proposition 5.3. (1) Any strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module is Gorenstein G gr-flat.

(2) The family of Gorenstein G gr-flat modules is stable under arbitrary direct sums.

Proof. (1) It is clear.

(2) It is straightforward, since any direct sum of Gorenstein gr-flat modules is Gorenstein gr-flat and since, for each positive integer m, $Tor_m(B, \bigoplus_i A_i) \cong \bigoplus_i Tor_m(B, A_i)$ for any family of modules A_i and any right module B by [10, Theorem 8.10].

Proposition 5.4. *Let M* be a graded left *R*-module. Then the following hold.

(1) Given an exact sequence

$$0 \to S \to G_1 \to G_2 \to \cdots \to G_m \to M \to 0$$

in R-gr such that G_1, G_2, \cdots, G_m are Gorenstein gr-flat modules, then

 $Tor_{m+i}(E, M) \cong Tor_i(E, S)$

for each gr-injective right R-module E and each integer $i \ge 1$.

(2) If M is a Gorenstein G gr-flat R-module, then $Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for each gr-injective right R-module E and each integer $i \ge 1$.

Proof. (1) It suffices to prove the case m = 1. So, let $0 \to S \to G \to M \to 0$ be an exact sequence such that G is Gorenstein gr-flat. Let E be a right gr-injective R-module. Applying $E \otimes_R -$ to this sequence gives the following exact sequence:

$$Tor_{i+1}(E,G) = 0 \rightarrow Tor_{i+1}(E,M) \rightarrow Tor_i(E,S) \rightarrow Tor_i(E,G) = 0$$

for each integer $i \ge 1$. This gives that

$$Tor_{i+1}(E, M) \cong Tor_i(E, S)$$

for each integer $i \ge 1$, as required.

(2) Let M be a Gorenstein G gr-flat module. Then there exists a short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow G \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ such that G is a Gorenstein gr-flat module, K is a Gorenstein G gr-flat module and

$$0 \to E \otimes S \to E \otimes G \to E \otimes M \to 0$$

is exact whenever E is an gr-injective right R-module. Hence, $Tor_1(E, M) = 0$ for each gr-injective right module E. Reiterating this process and using (1), we get $Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for each gr-injective right module E and each integer $i \ge 1$.

The next two results gives a graded version of Proposition 2.4 in [4].

Proposition 5.5. Let *M* be a graded left *R*-module. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) *M* is a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module.
- (2) There exists an exact sequence $0 \to M \to G \to M \to 0$ in *R*-gr such that *G* is a Gorenstein gr-flat module, and $Tor_1(E, M) = 0$ for any gr-injective right *R*-module *E*.
- (3) There exists an exact sequence $0 \to M \to G \to M \to 0$ in *R*-gr such that *G* is a Gorenstein gr-flat module and, for any right gr-injective *R*-module *E*, the following sequence is exact

 $0 \to E \otimes M \to E \otimes G \to E \otimes M \to 0.$

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) holds by Proposition 5.4 (2) \Rightarrow (3) and (3) \Rightarrow (1) are straightforward, this completes the proof.

Proposition 5.6. Let R be a graded ring and let M be a Gorenstein G gr-flat R-module. Then M is a direct summand of a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module.

Proof. Let M be a Gorenstein G gr-flat module and $\mathbf{G} = \cdots \longrightarrow G_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} G_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} G_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} G_{-1} \xrightarrow{d_{-1}} G_{-2} \xrightarrow{d_{-2}} \cdots$ be a complete Gorenstein gr-flat resolution such that $M = Im(d_0)$. Let $M_i := Im(d_i)$ for each integer i. It is easily seen that the following sequence is a complete Gorenstein gr-flat resolution:

$$\mathbf{G}' = \cdots \to \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i \xrightarrow{\oplus_i d_i} \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i \xrightarrow{\oplus_i d_i} \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i \xrightarrow{\oplus_i d_i} \cdots$$

such that $Im(\bigoplus_i d_i) = \bigoplus_i M_i$ since $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R)$ is stable under direct sums. Then $\bigoplus_i M_i$ is a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module so that M is a direct summand of a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module, as contended.

For easiness, we adopt the following definition.

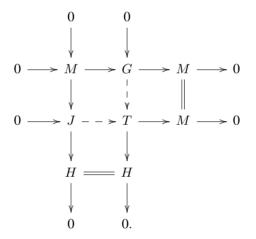
Definition 5.7. Let M be a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module. An R-gr-module J is called an M_{gr} -type module if there exists an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow J \rightarrow H \rightarrow 0$ in R-gr such that H is a Gorenstein gr-flat module.

Proposition 5.8. Let M be a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module and J an M_{gr} -type module. Then,

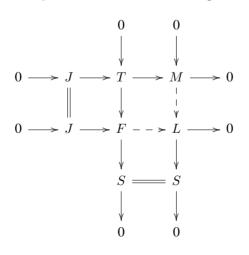
- (1) $Tor_i(E, J) = 0$ for each gr-injective right *R*-module *E* and for each integer $i \ge 1$.
- (2) If R is a left GF-gr-closed ring, then there exists an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow F \rightarrow L \rightarrow 0$ in R-gr such that F is an gr-flat and L is an M_{qr} -type module.

Proof. (1) If $0 \to M \to J \to H \to 0$ is an exact sequence such that H is a Gorenstein gr-flat R-module, then, by considering the corresponding long exact sequence and by Proposition 5.4, we have $Tor_i(E, J) \cong Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for each gr-injective right module E and each integer $i \ge 1$.

(2) Assume that R is a left GF-gr-closed ring. Let $0 \to M \to G \to M \to 0$ and $0 \to M \to J \to H \to 0$ be exact sequences such that G and H are Gorenstein gr-flat R-modules. Consider the following pushout diagram:



Since G and H are Gorenstein gr-flat modules, we get, as R is left GF-gr-closed, T is Gorenstein gr-flat. Then there exists a short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow T \rightarrow F \rightarrow S \rightarrow 0$ in R-gr such that F is a gr-flat and S is a Gorenstein gr-flat R-module. Hence, we get the following pushout diagram:



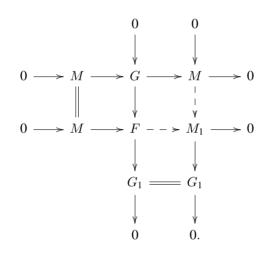
as desired.

Corollary 5.9. Let R be a left GF-gr-closed ring. Let M be a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module and J an M_{qr} -type module. Then J is a Gorenstein gr-flat R-module.

Proof. We observe that by Proposition 5.8 there exist a R-gr flat module F_0 and an M_{gr} -type module L such that the following sequence $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow 0$ is exact and stays exact after applying the functor $E \otimes_R -$ for each gr-injective right module E. Then, it suffices to iterate Proposition 5.8(2) to get a resolution $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow \cdots$ of gr-flat modules, which remains exact after applying the functor $E \otimes_R -$ for each gr-injective right R-module E. By Proposition 5.8(1) completes the proof.

Now, we are ready to prove our main result.

Proof of the main theorem. Clearly we have $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{GF}_{gr}^{(2)}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{GF}_{i-gr}^{(2)}(R)$, it suffices to prove that $\mathcal{GF}_{i-gr}^{(2)}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R)$. Since R is left GF-gr-closed, by Corollary 4.4, $\mathcal{GF}_{gr}(R)$ is stable under direct summands. Thus, it enough, by Proposition 5.6, to prove that any strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module is Gorenstein gr-flat. By Proposition 5.5, there exists an exact sequence $0 \to M \to G \to M \to 0$ in R-gr such that G is a Gorenstein gr-flat module and $Tor_i(E, M) = 0$ for each gr-injective right module E and each integer $i \ge 1$ where M is a strongly Gorenstein G gr-flat module. As G is Gorenstein gr-flat, there exists an exact sequence $0 \to G \to F \to G_1 \to 0$ in R-gr such that F is a gr-flat module and G_1 is a Gorenstein gr-flat module. Then we have the following pushout diagram:



Hence, M_1 is an M_{gr} -type R-module. Therefore M_1 is a Gorenstein gr-flat module by Corollary 5.9. As R is left GF-gr-closed and G_1 is Gorenstein gr-flat, we get M is a Gorenstein gr-flat R-module, as desired.

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