

# Modules Whose Endomorphism Rings are Centrally AIP

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**Abstract** This paper presents the concept of centrally endo-AIP modules. For a ring  $R$  and an  $R$ -module  $A$ ,  $A$  is termed as a centrally left endo-AIP module if the left annihilator of any fully invariant submodule  $B$  of  $A$  in the endomorphism ring  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  is a centrally  $s$ -unital ideal of  $E$ . We examine various characteristics of centrally endo-AIP modules and analyze their endomorphism ring. Furthermore, we investigate the characterization of quasi-Baer modules in relation to centrally endo-AIP modules.

## 1 Introduction

For clarity, we'll be working with rings that follow two properties throughout this paper: associativity and having a unity element. Similarly, all modules are assumed to be right unitary unless we state otherwise. In his work, I. Kaplansky [10] termed a ring  $R$ , *Baer (quasi-Baer)* if the right annihilator of any subset (ideal) of  $R$  is generated as a right ideal by an idempotent element of  $R$ . He introduced these concepts to investigate various properties of von Neumann regular algebras,  $AW^*$ -algebras, and  $C^*$ -algebras. Numerous researchers have directed their attention towards the Baer ring due to its origins in functional analysis and its significant connection to  $C^*$ -algebras and von Neumann algebras. A ring  $R$  is termed a right (left) Rickart ring or right (left) PP ring when the right (left) annihilator of any element of  $R$  in  $R$  forms a direct summand of  $R$  [15]. Birkenmeier et al. [3] introduced a further generalization of a Baer ring known as a principally quasi-Baer ring (PQ-Baer). They defined a ring  $R$  as principally quasi-Baer (PQ-Baer) if the right annihilator of every principal ideal of  $R$  is generated by an idempotent element of  $R$ .

An ideal  $I$  of a ring  $R$  is called right (left)  $s$ -unital ideal of  $R$  if for each  $x \in I$ ,  $xy = x$  (resp.  $yx = x$ ) for some element  $y \in I$  (see [12]). Additionally, an ideal  $I$  is identified as a centrally  $s$ -unital ideal of  $R$  if, for every  $x \in I$ , there exists a central element  $z \in R$  such  $xz = zx = x$  (see [14]). Furthermore, a submodule  $B$  of a right  $R$ -module  $A$  is called a *pure submodule* of  $A$ , if the sequences  $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow A$  and  $0 \rightarrow B \otimes K \rightarrow A \otimes K$  remain exact for every left  $R$ -module  $K$  (see [5]). The condition for a right  $R$ -module  $A$  to be *flat* is that whenever  $0 \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow B_2$  is exact for left  $R$ -modules  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  then  $0 \rightarrow A \otimes B_1 \rightarrow A \otimes B_2$  is also exact. By using the concept of  $s$ -unital ideal, Liu and Zhao [12] defined a generalized structure of *PP* rings and PQ-Baer rings. According to them, a ring  $R$  is said to be left *APP* if the left annihilator of every principal left ideal of  $R$  is pure as a left ideal of  $R$ , or equivalently the left annihilator of every principal left ideal of  $R$  is a right  $s$ -unital ideal of  $R$ . The class of left AIP rings encompasses both right p.q.-Baer rings and right PP rings (see [12]).

Majidinya et al. [14] define a ring  $R$  as a left (right) AIP-ring if the left (right) annihilator of each of its ideals is pure as a left (right) ideal of  $R$ , or alternatively the left (right) annihilator of each ideal in  $R$  is a right (left)  $s$ -unital ideal of  $R$ . They also introduced the centrally left *AIP* rings, and according to them, a ring is classified as a centrally left *AIP*-ring if the left annihilator of every ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is a centrally  $s$ -unital ideal of  $R$ . In [14], it is shown that for a ring, the centrally *AIP* condition is left-right symmetric property (see Proposition 2.10, [14]). The category of right AIP rings encompasses both right PQ-Baer rings and right PP rings.

P.A. Dana and A. Moussavi [6], introduced the module theoretical notion *AIP* and *APP* rings as endo-*AIP* and endo-*APP* modules. A module  $A$  is said to be an endo-*AIP* (endo-*APP*) if the left annihilator of every fully invariant (resp. cyclic) submodule of  $A$  is a right  $s$ -unital ideal

of  $E$  or a pure left ideal of  $E$ , where  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ .

This article presents the module theoretical notion of centrally *AIP* rings as centrally endo-*AIP* modules. An  $R$ -module  $A$  is labeled a centrally endo-*AIP* module if, within  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  the left annihilator of each fully invariant submodule of  $A$  becomes a centrally  $s$ -unital ideal of  $E$ . Every abelian Rickart module is a centrally endo-*AIP* module, and every centrally endo-*AIP* module is an endo-*AIP* module. We show that the centrally endo-*AIP* module is closed under direct summand. In general, the direct sum of centrally endo-*AIP* modules need not be centrally endo-*AIP*. We find the conditions for which the direct sum of centrally endo-*AIP* modules is centrally endo-*AIP*. We also prove that every projective  $R$ -module is centrally endo-*AIP* if and only if  $R$  is a centrally *AIP* ring.

In section 3, we study the endomorphism ring of centrally endo-*AIP* modules. The endomorphism ring of the centrally endo-*AIP* module is centrally *AIP* ring or semiprime ring. Further, we show that for a locally quasi-retractable module  $A$ , the ring of endomorphisms  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  is centrally *AIP* if and only if  $A$  is centrally endo-*AIP* module. Also, we prove that the endomorphism ring  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  of a centrally endo-*AIP* module  $A$  is a quasi-Baer if  $E$  has a finite left uniform dimension.

We denote the symbols  $\subseteq, \leq, \leq^\oplus, \leq^e, \triangleleft$  and  $\triangleleft^p$  to represent a variety of mathematical concepts: a subset, a submodule, a direct summand, an essential submodule, a fully invariant submodule (or an ideal), and a projection invariant submodule, respectively. For an  $R$ -module  $A$  with endomorphism ring  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ ,  $r_A(T)$  (where  $T$  is a left ideal of  $E$ ) and  $\ell_E(B)$  (where  $B \leq A$ ) will denote the right annihilator of  $T$  in  $A$  and left annihilator of  $B$  in  $E$  respectively. An idempotent element  $x^2 = x$  of a ring  $R$  is said to be left (right) semi-central if for every  $z \in R$ ,  $xzx = zx$  ( $xzx = xz$ ) (see [4]). By a regular ring, we always mean a von Neumann regular, and  $T_n(R)$  stands for  $n$  by  $n$  upper triangular matrix ring over  $R$ . Before proceeding to the main section, we recall some definitions and results, which will be helpful to the clarity of further results.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $A$  be an  $R$ -module with  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ .

- (i)  $A$  is said to be reduced if for each  $\phi \in E$  and  $a \in A$ ,  $\phi(a) = 0$  implies  $\text{Im}(\phi) \cap Ea = 0$ . Equivalently,  $A$  is a reduced module if  $\phi^2(a) = 0$  implies  $\phi E(a) = 0$ .
- (ii)  $A$  is called a rigid module [1] if for every  $\psi \in E$  and  $a \in A$ ,  $\psi^2(a) = 0$  implies  $\psi(a) = 0$ . Equivalently  $\text{Ker}(\psi) \cap \text{Im}(\psi) = 0$  for every  $\psi \in E$ .
- (iii) A ring  $R$  is said to be abelian if every idempotent element of  $R$  is central. Further, a module  $A$  is called abelian if its endomorphism ring  $E$  is abelian. In other words,  $A$  is an abelian module [1] if  $\psi e(a) = e\psi(a)$  for every  $a \in A$  where  $\psi \in E$  and  $e^2 = e \in E$ .
- (iv)  $A$  is said to be symmetric [1] if  $\phi\psi(a) = 0$  implies  $\psi\phi(a) = 0$  for every  $\phi, \psi \in E$  and  $a \in A$ .
- (v)  $A$  is known as semi-commutative [2] if  $\psi(a) = 0$  implies  $\psi E(a) = 0$  for every  $\psi \in E$  and  $a \in A$ .

Reduced modules, rigid modules, symmetric modules, and semi-commutative modules are abelian; for details, see [1].

**Lemma 1.2.** (Theorem 2.25, [1]), *The following statements are equivalent for a Rickart module  $A$ :*

- (i)  $A$  is an abelian module;
- (ii)  $A$  is a reduced module;
- (iii)  $A$  is a rigid module;
- (iv)  $A$  is a semi-commutative module;
- (v)  $A$  is a symmetric module.

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $A$  be an  $R$ -module and  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . Then

- (i)  $A$  is said to be Baer (quasi-Baer) module [16], if for every submodule (fully invariant submodule)  $B$  of  $A$ ,  $\ell_E(B)$  is a direct summand of  $E$ . Further,  $A$  is called principally quasi-Baer module [13], if for every cyclic submodule  $C$  of  $A$ ,  $\ell_E(C)$  is a direct summand of  $E$ .
- (ii) A module  $A$  is called Rickart if for every endomorphism  $\phi \in E$ ,  $Ker(\phi)$  is a direct summand of  $A$ .
- (iii) A module  $A$  is called retractable if  $Hom(A, B) \neq 0$ , for all  $0 \neq B \leq A$ . Equivalently,  $A$  is retractable module if there exists  $0 \neq \psi \in E$  with  $Im(\psi) \subseteq B$  for every  $B \leq A$ .

It is clear that the following hierarchy is true,  
 Baer module  $\Rightarrow$  Quasi-Baer module  $\Rightarrow$  Principally Quasi-Baer module

## 2 Centrally endo-AIP Modules

In this segment, we present the module-theoretical concept of centrally AIP rings, terming it centrally endo-AIP modules. Centrally endo-AIP modules lies between Abelian Rickart modules and endo-AIP modules. We examine the conditions under which the direct sum of centrally endo-AIP modules retains its centrality in the endo-AIP property. To clarify our findings, we present illustrative examples that delineate our results.

**Definition 2.1.** An  $R$ -module  $A$  is said to be a centrally left endo-AIP module if the left annihilator of any fully invariant submodule of  $A$  in  $E = End_R(A)$  is a centrally s-unital ideal of  $E$ . Equivalently, for every  $B \trianglelefteq A$  and for each  $\phi \in \ell_E(B)$  there exists a central element  $\psi \in \ell_E(B)$  such that  $\phi\psi = \phi = \psi\phi$ . A right centrally endo-AIP module is defined similarly.

Consider  $R$  as an  $R$ -module, then we have  $End_R(R) \cong R$ . So above definition clearly gives a module theoretical notion of centrally AIP ring defined by Majidinya et al. [14].

The following proposition provides a rich source of examples of centrally endo-AIP modules.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $A$  be an  $R$ -module and  $E = End_R(A)$ . Consider the following statements:

- (i)  $A$  is an abelian Rickart module;
- (ii)  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module;
- (iii)  $A$  is an endo-AIP module.

Then, (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii), while the converse of these implications need not be true.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $A$  and  $f \in \ell_E(B)$  be arbitrary. Then,  $f(B) = 0$  which implies  $B \subseteq Ker(f)$ . Since  $A$  is a Rickart module,  $Ker(f)$  is a direct summand of  $A$ . So for some  $e^2 = e \in E$ ,  $B \subseteq Ker(f) = eA$ . Thus,  $(1 - e)B = 0$  and  $fe = 0$ . Therefore,  $(1 - e) \in \ell_E(B)$  and  $f(1 - e) = f$ . By hypothesis,  $A$  is an abelian module, so every idempotent of  $E$  is central. Therefore,  $(1 - e)$  is a central idempotent element of  $\ell_E(B)$  such that  $f(1 - e) = f$ . Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $A$  and  $\psi \in \ell_E(B)$ , then  $\psi B = 0$  which implies that  $B \subseteq r_A(\psi)$ . Since  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module, so there exists a central element  $\phi \in \ell_E(B)$  such that  $\psi\phi = \psi$ . Therefore,  $\ell_E(B)$  is a right s-unital ideal of  $E$ . Hence,  $A$  is an endo-AIP module.

(ii)  $\not\Rightarrow$  (i) Let  $L$  be a local prime ring which is not domain and  $J$  be the jacobson radical of  $L$ . Let  $R = \{(x, \bar{y}) : x \in J, \bar{y} \in \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n\}$ , where  $R_n = L/J$  for each  $n$ ,  $\bar{y} = (\bar{y}_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\bar{y}_n = y_n + J \in R_n$ . It is clear from (Example 2.8, [14]) the ring  $R$  is centrally AIP-ring which is neither abelian ring nor the Rickart ring. Therefore,  $R_R$  is a centrally endo-AIP  $R$ -module while  $R_R$  is neither abelian  $R$ -module nor Rickart  $R$ -module.

(iii)  $\not\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $R = \left( \begin{matrix} \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_i & \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_i \\ \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_i & \langle \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_i, 1 \rangle \end{matrix} \right)$  and  $A = R$ , where  $\mathbb{F}$  is any field and  $\mathbb{F}_i = \mathbb{F}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . It is clear from (Example 1.6, [3]) that the ring  $R$  is semiprime left PP-ring, so it is semiprime left AIP-ring. Thus,  $A$  is an endo-AIP module. Now from (Example 2.11,

[14]),  $R$  is not a centrally AIP-ring. Therefore,  $A$  is not a centrally endo-AIP  $R$ -module.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let  $R = T_n(F)$  be an upper triangular matrix ring over  $F$ , where  $F$  is a domain which is not a division ring. Then, by (Example 2.6, [6])  $R_R$  is an endo-AIP  $R$ -module but not a Rickart  $R$ -module (see Example 2.9, [11]).  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** *A Rickart module  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module, if  $A$  satisfies any one of the following:*

- (i)  $A$  is reduced.
- (ii)  $A$  is rigid.
- (iii)  $A$  is abelian.
- (iv)  $A$  is semi-commutative.
- (v)  $A$  is symmetric.

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 1.2 and from Proposition 2.2.  $\square$

According to Liu and Ouyang (Definition 3.2, [13]), a right  $R$ -module  $A$  is said to have insertion of factor property (IFP) if  $r_A(\psi) \trianglelefteq A$  for all  $\psi \in E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . Equivalently,  $\ell_E(a)$  is an ideal of  $E$  for every  $a \in A$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $A$  be a module with insertion of factor property and  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module;
- (ii)  $A$  is an endo-AIP module;
- (iii)  $A$  is an endo-APP module.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) It is clear from Proposition 2.2.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Suppose that  $A$  has IFP and  $B \trianglelefteq A$ . Let  $\phi \in \ell_E(B)$  be arbitrary. Then,  $\phi(B) = 0$  which implies  $B \subseteq r_A(\phi)$ . By assumption,  $A$  is an endo-AIP module with IFP, so from (Proposition 2.10, [5]),  $A$  is a Rickart module. Therefore,  $B \subseteq r_A(\phi) = e(A)$  for some idempotent element  $e^2 = e \in E$ . Thus,  $(1 - e)B = 0$  and  $\phi e = 0$ . So, we have  $(1 - e) \in \ell_E(B)$  and  $\phi(1 - e) = \phi$ . Further,  $A$  has IFP property, so by (Proposition 3.4, [13])  $E$  is an abelian ring. Therefore, the idempotent element  $(1 - e)$  is central. Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.

(ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) It follows from (Proposition 4.3, [6]).  $\square$

In Proposition 2.4, the insertion of factor property (IFP) is not superfluous. We justify it by the following example.

**Example 2.5.** Let  $R = T_n(\mathbb{F})$  and  $A = R_R$ , where  $\mathbb{F}$  is a domain that is not a division ring. Then, by (Theorem 3.5, [14])  $R$  is a centrally AIP ring. Therefore,  $A$  is an endo-AIP module but not a Rickart module (see Example 2.9, [11]). Thus,  $A$  is an endo-AIP module. Let  $T_{ij} \in T_2(\mathbb{F})$ , where  $T_{ij}$  with 1 at  $(i, j)$ -position and 0 elsewhere for every  $i, j = 1, 2$ . Then,  $T_{11}T_{22} = 0$  but  $T_{11}T_{12}T_{22} \neq 0$ . So,  $R$  does not have IFP. Therefore,  $A$  does not satisfy the insertion of factor property.

**Proposition 2.6.** *Direct summand of the centrally endo-AIP module is a centrally endo-AIP.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a centrally endo-AIP module with  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  and  $B \leq^\oplus A$ . Then, for some idempotent  $e^2 = e \in E$ ,  $B = eA$  and  $F = \text{End}_R(B) = eEe$ . Let  $K$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $B$ . Clearly,  $EK$  is also a fully invariant submodule of  $A$ . Suppose  $\psi \in \ell_F(K)$ , then there exists some  $\phi \in E$  such that  $\psi = e\phi e$ . Now,  $e\phi e(EK) = e\phi(eE(eK)) = e\phi(eEe(K)) = e\phi(K) = e\phi e(K) = \psi(K) = 0$ , implies that  $e\phi e \in \ell_E(EK)$ . As  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module, there exists a central element  $\eta \in \ell_E(EK)$  such that  $e\phi e\eta = e\phi e$ . It is easy to see that  $e\eta e \in \ell_F(K)$  and  $\psi(e\eta e) = e\phi e(e\eta e) = (e\phi e\eta)e = e\phi e = \psi$ . Now, it only remains to show that  $e\eta e$  is a central element of  $\ell_F(K)$ . For it, let  $\zeta \in \ell_F(K)$  be arbitrary. Then  $\zeta(K) = 0$  and for some  $\theta \in E$ ,  $\zeta = e\theta e$ . Now  $e\eta e\zeta = e\eta e(e\theta e) = e\eta(e\theta e) = e(e\theta e)\eta = e\theta e(e\eta) = e\theta e(e\eta e) = \zeta e\eta e$ . Thus,  $e\eta e$  is a central element of  $\ell_F(K)$  such that for  $\psi \in \ell_F(K)$ ,  $\psi e\eta e = \psi$ . Therefore,  $\ell_F(K)$  is a centrally s-unital ideal of  $F$ . Hence,  $B$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.  $\square$

Submodules of a centrally endo-*AIP* module need not be centrally endo-*AIP*. The following example illustrates it.

**Example 2.7.** Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Q}$  ( $p$  is any prime) be a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. By (Example 2.9, [1])  $A$  is a reduced module. Since  $A$  is also a Rickart module, from Corollary 2.3  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module. While, the submodule  $B = \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Z}$  of  $A$  is not centrally endo-*AIP*. In fact, the submodule  $B$  of  $A$  is not endo-APP (see Example 4.4, [6])

Now, we discuss in the following proposition when a submodule of a centrally endo-*AIP* module is a centrally endo-*AIP*.

**Proposition 2.8.** *Let  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of a centrally endo-*AIP* module  $A$  with  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  and  $F = \text{End}_R(B)$ . If every  $\psi \in F$  can be extended to  $\bar{\psi} \in E$ , then  $B$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* submodule.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $B$ . As  $X \trianglelefteq B$  and  $B \trianglelefteq A$  implies  $X \trianglelefteq A$ . Suppose that  $\phi \in \ell_F(X)$ , then  $\bar{\phi}(X) = \phi(X) = 0$  which implies that  $\bar{\phi} \in \ell_E(X)$ . Since  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module, there is a central element  $\eta \in \ell_E(X)$  such that  $\bar{\phi}\eta = \bar{\phi}$ . Therefore,  $\phi\eta|_B = \phi$  and  $\eta|_B(X) = 0$ , which gives  $\eta|_B \in \ell_F(X)$  as  $B \trianglelefteq A$ . Thus,  $\ell_F(X)$  is a centrally s-unital ideal of  $F$ . Hence,  $B$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module. □

**Example 2.9.** If a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module, then  $A$  is a torsion-free or semisimple module.

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a finitely generated centrally endo-*AIP*  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module then,  $A$  is an endo-APP  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. So from (Proposition 4.8, [6]),  $A$  is a semisimple or a torsion-free module. □

The following example shows that the direct sum of centrally endo-*AIP* modules need not be a centrally endo-*AIP*.

**Example 2.10.** The  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (where  $p$  is prime) both are centrally endo-*AIP* modules, while the direct sum  $A = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p$  is not a centrally endo-*AIP*  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. In fact,  $A$  is neither semisimple nor torsion-free, so by Proposition 2.9,  $A$  is not a centrally endo-*AIP* module.

In the following proposition, we discuss when the direct sum of centrally endo-*AIP* modules is centrally endo-*AIP*.

**Proposition 2.11.** *Let  $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$ , where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are centrally endo-*AIP* modules. If every  $\phi \in \text{Hom}_R(A_i, A_j)$  (where  $i \neq j \in \{1, 2\}$ ) is a monomorphism, then  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $B \trianglelefteq A_1 \oplus A_2$ , then by (Lemma 1.10, [16]),  $B = B_1 \oplus B_2$ , where  $B_1 \trianglelefteq A_1$  and  $B_2 \trianglelefteq A_2$ . Now, let  $E = \text{End}_R(A_1 \oplus A_2) \cong \begin{pmatrix} F_1 & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $F_i = \text{End}_R(A_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and  $F_{ij} = \text{Hom}_R(A_j, A_i)$ , for  $i \neq j \in \{1, 2\}$ . Let  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\alpha \in \ell_E(B)$  then  $\alpha(B) = 0$  and for every  $\beta_{ij} \in \text{Hom}_R(A_j, A_i)$ ,  $\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ji} \in \ell_{F_i}(B_i)$ ,  $i \neq j \in \{1, 2\}$ . Since  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are centrally endo-*AIP* modules, there are some central elements  $\phi_i \in \ell_{F_i}(B_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  such that  $\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ji}\phi_i = \beta_{ij}\alpha_{ji}$ ,  $i \neq j \in \{1, 2\}$ . Thus, for every  $a \in A_i$ ,  $(\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ji}\phi_i)(a) = (\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ji})(a)$ , and so  $\beta_{ij}((\alpha_{ji}\phi_i)(a) - (\alpha_{ji})(a)) = 0$ . Therefore, by assumption  $(\alpha_{ji}\phi_i)(a) - (\alpha_{ji})(a) = 0$  for every  $i \neq j \in \{1, 2\}$  and  $a \in A_i$ , which implies that  $\alpha_{ji}\phi_i = \alpha_{ji}$ . Thus, for  $\phi_1 \in F_1$  and  $\phi_2 \in F_2$ ,  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \phi_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \ell_E(B)$  and  $\alpha\phi = \alpha$ . Therefore,  $\ell_E(B)$  is a centrally s-unital ideal of  $E$ . Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module. □

**Theorem 2.12.** *Let  $A = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda$ , where  $A_\lambda$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  and  $A_\lambda \cong A_\nu$  for every  $\lambda, \nu \in \Lambda$ . Then  $A$  is a centrally endo-*AIP* module.*

*Proof.* First, we prove the theorem for  $\Lambda = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Now, we assume  $(A_\lambda)_R \cong X_R$  for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Let  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $A$ , then by (Lemma 1.10, [16]),  $B = \bigoplus_{\lambda=1}^n B_\lambda$ , where  $B_\lambda = B \cap A_\lambda \subseteq X$  and each  $B_\lambda$  is fully invariant in  $X$ . It is observe that, if

$$S' = \text{End}_R(X) \text{ then } S \cong \text{Mat}_n(S') \text{ and } \ell_S(B) = \begin{pmatrix} \ell_{S'}(B_1) & \ell_{S'}(B_2) & \dots & \ell_{S'}(B_n) \\ \ell_{S'}(B_1) & \ell_{S'}(B_2) & \dots & \ell_{S'}(B_n) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \ell_{S'}(B_1) & \ell_{S'}(B_2) & \dots & \ell_{S'}(B_n) \end{pmatrix}.$$

So, if  $\phi \in \ell_S(B)$  then  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\phi_\lambda \in \ell_{S'}(B_\lambda)$  for  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Since

$X$  is a centrally endo-AIP module, so for each  $\phi_\lambda \in \ell_{S'}(B_\lambda)$ , there exist some central elements  $\psi_\lambda \in \ell_{S'}(B_\lambda)$  such that  $\phi_\lambda \psi_\lambda = \phi_\lambda$ .

Hence,  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \psi_1 & \phi_2 \psi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \psi_n \\ \phi_1 \psi_1 & \phi_2 \psi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \psi_n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_1 \psi_1 & \phi_2 \psi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \psi_n \end{pmatrix}$  which implies

that  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \psi_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \psi_n \end{pmatrix}$ . Since, for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $\psi_\lambda \in$

$\ell_{S'}(B_\lambda)$  is a central element, therefore  $\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \psi_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \psi_n \end{pmatrix}$  is a central element of

$\ell_S(B)$ . Now  $\psi(B) = 0$  because  $\psi_\lambda \in \ell_{S'}(B_\lambda)$  for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Therefore,  $\ell_S(B)$  is a centrally s-unital ideal of  $S$ . By assuming  $\Lambda$  an infinite set, the proof can be extended to a column finite matrix ring. Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module. □

**Theorem 2.13.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) Every projective right  $R$ -module is centrally endo-AIP module;
- (ii) Every free  $R$ -module is centrally endo-AIP module;
- (iii)  $R$  is a centrally AIP ring.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) It is clear.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) It is well known that a projective module is a direct summand of a free module. Since, from (ii) every free module is a centrally endo-AIP module. Therefore, from Proposition 2.6 every projective module is a centrally endo-AIP module.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) It is clear that  $R_R$  is a free right  $R$ -module. So, by (ii)  $R_R$  is a centrally endo-AIP  $R$ -module. Therefore,  $R$  is a centrally AIP ring.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $A = R^{(\Lambda)}$  be a free  $R$ -module and  $\Lambda$  be an arbitrary index set. Since  $R$  is a centrally AIP ring, so from Theorem 2.12  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module. □

**Remark 2.14.** From Theorem 2.13 it is clear that, if  $R$  is a centrally AIP ring then polynomial ring  $R[x]$  and matrix ring  $M_n(R)$  are centrally AIP rings, see also (Lemma 3.4, [14]) and (Proposition 3.14, [14]).

### 3 Endomorphism rings of centrally endo-AIP modules

In this segment, we delve into the examination of the endomorphism ring concerning centrally endo-AIP modules, exploring their equivalence with quasi-Baer modules and endo-AIP modules.

**Proposition 3.1.** *The endomorphism ring of the centrally endo-AIP module is centrally AIP ring.*

*Proof.* Let  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  be the endomorphism ring of  $A$ ,  $F$  be an ideal of  $E$  and  $\phi \in \ell_E(F)$ . Then  $\phi(F(A)) = 0$  which implies that  $\phi \in \ell_E(F(A))$ . It is clear that  $F(A)$  is a fully invariant submodule of  $A$ . Since  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module, there exists a central element  $\psi \in \ell_E(F(A))$  such that  $\phi\psi = \phi$ . Thus,  $\psi F(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \psi F = 0$  which implies that  $\psi \in \ell_E(F)$ . Hence,  $E$  is a centrally AIP ring.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *The endomorphism ring of a centrally endo-AIP module is a semiprime ring.*

*Proof.* Since, from (Proposition 2.9, [14]) every centrally AIP ring is a semiprime ring. Therefore, the proof follows from Proposition 3.1.  $\square$

**Remark 3.3.** We observe that when we take the class of finitely generated projective module  $A$  over a centrally AIP ring  $R$ , then the endomorphism ring of  $A$  is a centrally AIP. In particular, the centrally AIP property is Morita invariant (Theorem 3.5, [14]).

The following example shows that the converse of the proposition 3.1 need not be true in general.

**Example 3.4.** Consider the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $A = \mathbb{Z}_p^\infty$ , where  $p$  is a prime number. It is well known that  $\text{End}_R(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  (ring of  $p$ -adic integers) (see Example 3, page 216 [7]), which is a commutative domain and endo-AIP ring (see Example 3.2, [6]). Therefore, it is a centrally AIP ring. Also,  $A$  is not an endo-AIP module (see Example 3.2, [6]). Hence, by Proposition 2.2  $A$  is not a centrally endo-AIP module.

Recall that an  $R$ -module  $A$  is locally principally quasi-retractable module, if for every principal ideal  $P$  of  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  such that  $r_A(P) \neq 0$ , then there exists a non-zero endomorphism  $\psi \in E$  such that  $r_A(P) = \psi(A)$  (see Definition 3.3, [6]).

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $A$  be a locally principally quasi-retractable module. If  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  is a centrally AIP ring, then  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.*

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $A$ . Then for every  $f \in \ell_E(B)$ ,  $EfE \subseteq \ell_E(B)$ . Thus,  $0 \neq B \subseteq r_A(EfE)$ . Since  $A$  is a locally principally quasi-retractable module and  $r_A(EfE) \neq 0$ , so there exists  $0 \neq g \in E$  such that  $B \subseteq r_A(EfE) = g(A)$  and  $f \in \ell_E(EgE)$ . Since  $E$  is a centrally AIP ring, there is a central element  $h \in \ell_E(EgE)$  such that  $fh = f = hf$ . Now as  $B \subseteq g(A)$  so  $h(B) \subseteq h(g(A)) = 0$ . Therefore,  $h \in \ell_E(B)$ . Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.  $\square$

Recall that a right  $R$ -module  $A$  has uniform dimension  $n$  (written as  $u.\dim(A_R) = n$ ) if there is an essential submodule  $B$  of  $A$ , which is a direct sum of  $n$  uniform submodules. If no such an integer exists, then  $u.\dim(A_R) = \infty$ . For a left  $R$ -modules, the definition is simultaneous. Further, a ring  $R$  has finite right (left) uniform dimension, if  $u.\dim(R_R) = n$  ( $u.\dim({}_R R) = n$ ) for a positive integer  $n$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $A$  be a centrally endo-AIP module and  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . If  $E$  has a finite right uniform dimension, then  $E$  is a quasi-Baer ring.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a centrally endo-AIP module. Then, from Proposition 3.1  $E$  is centrally AIP ring. So, by assumption,  $E$  is a centrally AIP ring with a finite right uniform dimension. Hence, from (Theorem 5.1, [14])  $E$  is a quasi-Baer ring.  $\square$

A right  $R$ -module  $A$  is called semi-projective [9], if for any cyclic right ideal  $F$  of  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ ,  $F = \text{Hom}_R(A, FA)$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** *The endomorphism ring of a centrally endo-AIP semi-projective retractable module with finite uniform dimension is quasi-Baer.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a semi-projective retractable module with finite uniform dimension. Then, from (Theorem 2.6, [9])  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  has finite right uniform dimension. Therefore, from Proposition 3.6,  $E$  is a quasi-Baer ring.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $A$  be an  $R$ -module with endomorphism ring  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . If  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module and  $u.\dim(E_E) = 1$ , then  $E$  is a prime ring.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a centrally endo-AIP module and  $u.\dim(E_E) = 1$ . Then from Corollary 3.2 and Proposition 3.6,  $E$  is a semiprime quasi-Baer ring. If  $E$  is not a prime ring, then  $\ell_E(E\phi E) = Ee$  for some  $0 \neq \phi \in E$  and  $e$  is right semicentral. Since  $E$  is a semiprime quasi-Baer ring,  $e \in E$  is central. Thus  $E = Ee \oplus E(1 - e)$ , a contradiction as  $u.\dim(E_E) = 1$ . Hence,  $E$  is a prime ring.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9.** *Let  $A$  be an endo-AIP module and  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ . If  $E$  is a local ring then  $E$  is prime.*

*Proof.* It is clear from (Theorem 3.1, [6]) that the endomorphism ring of an endo-AIP module is AIP ring. Thus,  $E$  is a local AIP ring. Then by (Proposition 5.3, [14]), every local AIP ring is a prime ring.  $\square$

Recall from [17], a fully invariant submodule  $B \trianglelefteq A$  is said to be a prime submodule of  $A$  (in this case  $B$  is said to be prime in  $A$ ), if for any ideal  $F$  of  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$ , and for any fully invariant submodule  $B' \trianglelefteq A$ ,  $F(B') \subset B$  implies  $F(A) \subset B$  or  $B' \subset B$ . Further, a fully invariant submodule  $B$  of  $A$  is called semiprime if it is an intersection of prime submodules of  $A$ . A right  $R$ -module  $A$  is called prime if  $\{0\}$  is prime in  $A$  while  $A$  is called semiprime module if  $\{0\}$  is semiprime submodule of  $A$ .

**Proposition 3.10.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime (prime) module, and  $E = \text{End}_R(A)$  satisfies ascending chain condition on its principal left ideals. Then, the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $A$  is a quasi-Baer module;
- (ii)  $A$  is an endo-AIP module;
- (iii)  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) It is clear.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $A$  be an endo-AIP module,  $B$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $A$  and  $E$  satisfies ascending chain condition on its principal left ideals. Then, from (Proposition 3.9, [6])  $M$  is a quasi-Baer module. So,  $\ell_E(B) = Ee$  for some  $e^2 = e \in E$ . Since  $A$  is a semiprime module, so by (Theorem 2.9, [17])  $E$  is a semiprime ring. Thus, from (Proposition 1.17, [3]), all left semicentral element of  $E$  is right semicentral. Hence,  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)  $A$  is a centrally endo-AIP module and  $E$  satisfies ascending chain condition on principal left ideal. Since every centrally endo-AIP module is endo-AIP, by (Proposition 3.9, [6])  $A$  is a quasi-Baer module.  $\square$

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