

## A Generalization of Epiform Modules



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### Abstract

In this paper we introduce a generalization of epiform modules. A module  $M$  is called an  $f$ -epiform module if every proper finitely generated submodule of  $M$  is a corational submodule of  $M$ . Also we investigate some basic properties of this type of modules. We studied some relationships between this type of modules and some other modules.

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### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper  $R$  is an associative ring with unity and all  $R$ -modules are left until.

$A \leq M$  will mean  $A$  is a submodule of  $M$ . Let  $M$  be a module and  $A$  be a submodule of  $M$ ,  $A$  is called a small submodule of  $M$  (denoted by  $A \ll M$ ) if for any  $X \leq M$ ,  $M = X + A$  implies  $X = M$ .

A module  $M$  is called a hollow module if every proper submodule of  $M$  is a small submodule of  $M$ .

A module  $M$  is called a semihollow module if every proper finitely generated submodule is small submodule of  $M$ . It is known that every hollow module is semihollow. Recall that a module is called a local if it has a unique maximal submodule which contains all proper submodules of  $M$  [10].

A submodule  $A$  of a module  $M$  is called a corational submodule in  $M$  denoted by

$(A \subseteq_{cr} M)$ , if  $\text{Hom}(M, \frac{N}{K}) = 0$  for all

submodule  $K$  of  $N$ . A module  $M$  is called epiform if every proper submodule of

$M$  is corational submodule of  $M$  [12]. Equivalently, a module  $M$  is called epiform module if every nonzero

homomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow \frac{M}{K}$  with  $K$  a

proper submodule of  $M$  is epimorphism. Every simple module is an epiform module. A module  $M$  is called

almost finitely generated if  $M$  is not finitely generated and every proper submodule of  $M$  is finitely generated.

Every almost finitely generated module is an epiform module. Every corational submodule is small and implies that every epiform

module is hollow. If every small submodule of a module  $M$  is corational then this module is called a copolyform module. A

module  $M$  is called an epiform module if every proper submodule of  $M$  is a corational submodule of  $M$  [12].

### Examples

1-The  $Z$ -module  $Z_{p^\infty}$  is an epiform module.

2-Simple modules are epiform modules.

**2. Basic Properties of  $f$ -epiform Modules**

**Proposition 2.1.** An epimorphic image of an  $f$ -epiform module is  $f$ -epiform.

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be an  $f$ -epiform module and  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  be an epimorphism. To show  $M'$  is also  $f$ -epiform, let  $X$  be a proper finitely generated submodule of  $M'$ , it is enough to show that  $X \subseteq_{cr} M'$  which means

that  $\text{Hom}(M', \frac{X}{N}) = 0$  for all  $N \leq X$  that is if we take any homomorphism  $h : M' \rightarrow \frac{X}{N}$  then  $h = 0$

. Now  $f^{-1}(X)$  is a proper finitely generated submodule of  $M$  this implies that  $f^{-1}(X) \subseteq_{cr} M$  since  $M$  is a  $f$ -epiform module. Hence for each

homomorphism  $g : M \rightarrow \frac{f^{-1}(X)}{f^{-1}(N)}$  we have

$g(M) = f^{-1}(N)$  so that  $f(g(M)) = f(f^{-1}(N)) = N$ , since  $f$  is an epimorphism. Thus  $(f \circ g)(M) = N$  and one can easily show that  $(f \circ g) = (h \circ f)$  hence  $h = 0$ .

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $M$  be an  $f$ -epiform module then  $\frac{M}{N}$  is an  $f$ -epiform module for all proper submodule  $N$  of  $M$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be an  $f$ -epiform module and  $\pi : M \rightarrow \frac{M}{N}$  be a natural epimorphism

then by (prop.2.1)  $\pi(M) = \frac{M}{N}$  is also an  $f$ -epiform module.

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $M$  be a Noetherian module then  $M$  is an  $f$ -epiform module if and only if it is epiform.

**Proof.**

As  $M$  is Noetherian, then every submodule of  $M$  is finitely generated if  $M$  is  $f$ -epiform then every submodule is a corational submodule and hence it is epiform. Conversely is clear.

**Proposition 2.4.** Every  $f$ -epiform module is semihollow.

**Proof.** Let  $U$  be a proper finitely generated submodule of  $M$  then  $U$  is a corational submodule and every corational submodule is small then  $U \ll M$  and hence every proper finitely generated submodule of  $M$  is a small submodule of  $M$ . Thus  $M$  is a semihollow module.

**Proposition 2.5.** Every epiform module is an  $f$ -epiform module

**Proof.** Clear.

**Proposition 2.6.** A direct summand of an  $f$ -epiform module is  $f$ -epiform.

**Proof.**

Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  be an  $f$ -epiform module where  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are submodules of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is an  $f$ -epiform module then by (corollary 2.2)  $\frac{M}{M_1}$  is an

$f$ -epiform module. Also we have  $\frac{M}{M_1} \cong M_2$  and  $\frac{M}{M_1}$   $f$ -epiform thus  $M_2$  is an  $f$ -epiform module.

We have every  $f$ -epiform module is a semihollow module then it is easy to verify that:

- 1- Every  $f$ -epiform module is  $f$ -supplemented.
- 2- Every  $f$ -epiform module over an Artinian ring is a Noetherian module.

- 3- Let  $M$  be an  $f$ -epiform module and  $\text{Rad}M$  is a Noetherian module then  $M$  is a Noetherian module.
- 4- Let  $M$  be an  $f$ -epiform module and  $\text{Rad}M$  is an Artinian module then  $M$  is an Artinian module.
- 5- A simple module over a field is the only  $f$ -epiform module.
- 6- Let  $M$  be a module with  $\text{Rad}M \neq M$ , if  $M$  is an  $f$ -epiform module then  $M$  is local.
- 7- Let  $M$  be a finitely generated module, if  $M$  is  $f$ -epiform then it is local.
- 8- Let  $f : P \rightarrow M$  be a projective cover of  $M$ , then  $M$  is  $f$ -epiform if and only if  $P$  is  $f$ -epiform.
- Proposition 2.7.** Let  $M$  be a module over a  $V$ -ring  $R$ , if  $M$  is  $f$ -epiform then  $M$  is a hollow (simple) module.
- Proof.** Let  $M$  be a module over a  $V$ -ring  $R$  which is  $f$ -epiform then  $M$  is a semihollow module. By [10], we have a module over  $V$ -ring is semihollow if and only if it is hollow thus  $M$  is a hollow (simple) module.
- Proposition 2.8.** Let  $M$  be a module over a  $V$ -ring  $R$ , if  $M$  is epiform then  $M$  semihollow.
- Proof.** similar to 4.1.
- Proposition 2.9.** Let  $M$  be a module over a perfect (max) ring  $R$  if  $M$  is  $f$ -epiform then  $M$  is a hollow (local) module

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