

SOME DECOMPOSITION PROPERTIES OF INJECTIVE AND PURE-INJECTIVE MODULES

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It is well known that over a left Noetherian ring any direct sum of injective modules is again injective, and every injective module is a direct sum of indecomposable modules. Faith [6] introduced Σ -injective modules as modules M such that all direct sums of copies of M are injective. Cailleau [2] showed that a Σ -injective module is a direct sum of indecomposable modules. The concept of Σ -injective modules had several interesting developments and applications (see e.g. Faith [7]). Also, some generalizations of Σ -injective modules, such as Σ -quasi-injective modules (Cailleau-Renault [3]), or Σ - M -injective modules (Albu-Nastasescu [1]), were studied. Of special interest are Σ -pure-injective modules which were introduced and investigated extensively by W. Zimmermann and B. Zimmermann-Huisgen [22, 23, 24, 25]. These modules include, besides Σ -injective modules, also Π -projective modules (i.e., modules M such that all direct products of copies of M are projective).

Harada [12] studies Σ -injectivity in the context of Grothendieck categories and used it to characterize QF-categories. In this paper we continue the study of Σ -injectivity in the general categorical setting. One of our motivations comes from the fact that, by using the functor ring techniques of Gruson and Jensen [10, 11], several decomposition properties of (Σ -) pure-injective modules (over a ring with identity) can be obtained rather easily from the corresponding properties of injective objects in a Grothendieck category.

In Section 1 we will work in a Grothendieck category \mathcal{A} with a family of finitely generated generators $\{G_\alpha/\alpha \in \Omega\}$. Our purpose is to study the basic properties of Σ -injective objects, but sometimes we require just some weakened forms of the injectivity. An object $M \in \mathcal{A}$ is called CS [4] (or extending [16, 17]) if every subobject of M is essential in a direct summand. Extending Okado [16], we show that if $M \in \mathcal{A}$ is a CS object such that for each $\alpha \in \Omega$, G_α has ACC on the subobjects $\{\text{Ker } f/f \in \text{Hom}(G_\alpha, M)\}$, then M is a direct sum of indecomposable objects (Proposition 1.5). Consequently, any CS subobject of a Σ -injective object in \mathcal{A} is a direct sum of indecomposable objects (Corollary 1.6). Further, generalizing a result of Lawrence [14] on self-injective rings, we show that if A and M are objects of \mathcal{A} and M is A -injective, and \aleph is an in-