

# PC-rings and Almost Excellent Extensions

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**Abstract:** In this paper we consider that rings  $R$  are coherent and  $R$  is  $p$ -injective. We call such rings to be right PC-rings. The structure of these rings is examined and if  $S$  is PC-ring if and only if  $R$  is PC-ring, where  $S$  is an almost excellent extension of  $R$ .

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## § 1. Introduction

We recall that a study of rings with  $R$  coherent and  $R$  coflat was made by Robert F. Damiano[2]. In the same paper he has provided a number of necessary and sufficient conditions for  $R$ .

In this paper we consider rings with  $R$  coherent and  $R$   $p$ -injective. We call such rings to be right PC-rings. Some properties of such rings are given in section 2.

In section 3 we consider almost excellent extension of PC-rings. We proved that  $R$  is a right PC-ring if and only if  $S$  is right PC-rings, where  $S$  is an excellent extension of  $R$  (for example  $S = Mn(R)$ , the  $n \times n$ , matrix ring or  $S = R * G$ , the crossed product where  $G$  is a finite group such that  $o(G)^{-1} \in R$ ).

In the final section we consider smash products. We show that if  $G$  is a finite group such that  $o(G)^{-1} \in R$ . Then the smash product  $R \# G^*$  is a right PC-ring if and only if  $R$  is right PC-ring.

Throughout the paper, all rings have a unity and all modules are unitary.

## § 2. PC-rings

A right  $R$ -module  $M$  is called a coflat if for any finitely generalized right ideal  $I$  of  $R$  and

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any  $R$ -homomorphism  $f: I \rightarrow M$  there exist an  $m \in M$  such that  $f(x) = mx$  ( $x \in I$ ). A ring  $R$  is called a right  $FC$ -ring if  $R$  is right coherent and  $R$  is coflat. Examples of  $FC$ -rings are given in [2].

Analogously, we give the following definition.

**Definition 2.1** A ring  $R$  is called a right (left)  $PC$ -ring if  $R$  is right (left) coherent ring and  $R_R$  ( ${}_R R$ ) is a  $p$ -injective module. A ring  $R$  is an  $PC$ -ring if it is both left and right  $PC$ -ring.

It is clear that right (left)  $FC$ -rings are right (left)  $PC$ -rings.  $QF$  ring and  $FC$ -ring are  $PC$ -ring.

If  $R$  is a ring and  $X \subseteq R$ , then we denote the left and right annihilators of  $X$ , respectively by

$$Ann_r(X) = \{a \in R \mid ax = 0 \quad \forall x \in X\}.$$

$$Ann_l(X) = \{a \in R \mid xa = 0 \quad \forall x \in X\}.$$

**Definition 2.2** Let  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  sets of left and right ideals of  $R$ , respectively. We call  $R$  has the Double annihilator property for  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  if

$$I \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow Ann_r(I) \in \mathcal{R} \text{ and } Ann_l Ann_r(I) = I.$$

$$I \in \mathcal{R} \Rightarrow Ann_l(I) \in \mathcal{S} \text{ and } Ann_r Ann_l(I) = I.$$

**Theorem 2.3** For a ring, the following statements are equivalent

- (1)  $R$  is  $PC$  ring.
- (2)  $R$  is coherent and every right (left) flat module is right (left)  $p$ -injective.
- (3)  $R$  is coherent and has the double annihilator property for principal left and right ideal.

**Proof** (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) Clear.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $R_R$  be  $p$ -injective and  $a \in R$ ,  $Ra \subseteq Ann_l Ann_r(a)$  and we have  $x Ann_r(a) = 0$  for  $\forall x \in Ann_l Ann_r(a)$ .

Let  $f: aR \rightarrow R; ar \mapsto xr$ .

Obviously  $f$  is a right  $R$ -homomorphism, then there is a element  $b \in aR$  such that  $sr = f(ar) = bar$ ,  $x = ba \in Ra$ . Thus  $Ann_l Ann_r(a) = Ra$ .

Similarly, we have  $Ann_r Ann_l(a) = aR$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Suppose  $f: aR \rightarrow R$  and  $Ann_l Ann_r(a) = Ra$ , then we have  $0 = f(0) = f(ab) = f(a)b$  for  $b \in Ann_r(a)$  and  $f(a) \in Ann_l Ann_r(a) = Ra$ . So we have  $y$  in  $R$  such that  $f(a) = ya$  and  $f(ar) = f(a)r = (ya)r = y(ar)$ . Thus  $R_R$  is  $p$ -injective.

**Example 2.4** Let  $R$  be an algebra over a field  $F$  with basis

$$\{1, e_0, e_1, e_2, \dots, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$$

where for all  $i, j$

$$e_i e_j = \delta_{ij} e_j$$

$$e_i e_j = \delta_{i(j+1)} X_i$$

$$e_i X_i = \delta_{ij} X_j$$

$$X_i X_j = 0.$$

It is easy to see both that  $R$  is left coherent and that every  $R$ -homomorphism

$$f: {}_R I \rightarrow {}_R R$$

extends to one over  $R$ . Thus,  $R$  is left  $p$ -injective. However,  $R$  is not right  $p$ -injective since the homomorphism

$$x_l R \rightarrow e_0 R, \quad \text{via} \quad x_r \rightarrow e_0 r,$$

can not be extended over  $R$ .

Thus  $R$  is left  $PC$ -ring but not a right  $PC$ -ring.

**Example 2.5** Let  $R$  be the ring with underlying group

$$R = Z \oplus Q/Z.$$

And with multiplication

$$(n_1, q_1)(n_2, q_2) = (n_1 n_2, n_1 q_2 + n_2 q_1).$$

Then it is easy to see that  $R$  is a commutative coherent ring with Jacobson radical

$$J(R) = \{(n, q) \mid n = 0\}.$$

Then  $R$  is not Von Neumann regular ring but  $R$  is  $PC$  ring.

Recall that the left (right) singular ideal of  $R$  is

$$Z_l(R) = \{x \in R \mid \text{Ann}_l(x) \trianglelefteq_R R\}.$$

$$Z_r(R) = \{x \in R \mid \text{Ann}_r(x) \trianglelefteq R_R\}.$$

In general, there are not equal and are unrelated to  $J(R)$ .

**Proposition 2.6** If  $R$  is an  $PC$  ring, then  $Z_r(R) = Z_l(R) = J(R)$ .

**Proof** Let  $z \in Z_r(R)$ , for any  $a \in R$  and  $b = 1 - az$ .

$$\text{Let } F: bR \rightarrow R; \text{ via } br \rightarrow R.$$

Obviously,  $F$  is a right  $R$ -homomorphism and  $R$  is  $PC$  ring, so there is a element  $y \in R$  such that  $F(br) = ybr$  ( $\forall r \in R$ ). Then we have  $1 = F(b) = yb = y(1 - az)$  and  $1 - az$  is quasi-regular element. So  $z \in R$  and  $Z_r(R) \subseteq J(R)$ .

Next suppose  $x \in J(R)$ . We claim  $x \in Z_r(R)$ . If not, then  $x \in J - Z_r(R)$  and there exist a right ideal  $I (\neq 0)$  such that  $\text{Ann}(x) \oplus I$  is essential in  $R$ . Let  $0 \neq b \in I$  and

$$F: xbR \rightarrow R; \text{ via } xbr \rightarrow br.$$

Obviously  $f$  is a right  $R$ -homomorphism and  $R$  is  $PC$  ring, then we have a element  $y \in R$  such that  $f(xbr) = yxbr$  for any  $r \in R$ . So  $b = f(xb) = yxb$ . As  $x \in J$ , we have  $xb \in J$  and  $xb$  is a quasi-regular element. We claim  $x = yxb = 0$ , a contradiction.

**Theorem 2.7** If  $R$  is  $PC$  ring with no nonzero nilpotent elements, then  $R$  is Von Neumann regular.

**Proof** Let  $x \in R$ , then we claim  $Rx \cap \text{Ann}_l(xR) = 0$ . For suppose  $rxs = 0$  then  $rxrxrx = 0$ . So since  $R$  has no nonzero nilpotent elements,  $rx = 0$ . Likewise,  $rxrx = 0$  implies  $rx = 0$ . So  $Rx \cap \text{Ann}_l(xR) = 0$ .  $R$  has the double annihilator property for principal left and right ideals,

$$\text{Ann}_r(Rx) + xR = R.$$

Let  $1 = n + xs$  where  $n \in Ann_r(Rx)$  and  $0 \neq s \in R$ . Then  $x = nx + xsx$ . But  $nxnx = 0$  so  $nx = 0$  and  $xsx = x$ .

**Corollary 2.8** If nonsingular ring  $R$  is a commutative PC ring then  $R$  is Von Neumann regular.

**Proposition 2.9**<sup>[13]</sup> If nonsingular ring  $R$  is PC ring with the ascending chain condition for special right annihilators, then  $R$  is Von Neumann regular ring.

**Proposition 2.10** If  $R$  is PC ring and nonsingular ring then there is a unique largest two side ideal  $I$  that contains no nonzero nilpotent elements. Moreover  $Ann_l Ann_r(I) = Ann_r Ann_l(I) = I$ .

**Proof** Let  $I = \sum_{i \in A} I_i$  where  $\{I_i | i \in A\}$  is the family of all two side ideals of that contains no nonzero nilpotent elements.

First we will show that  $Ann_r Ann_l(I)$  contains no nonzero nilpotent elements. So suppose  $0 \neq e \in Ann_r Ann_l(I)$  such that  $e^2 = 0$ . If  $Rx \cap I_i = 0$  for all  $i \in A$ . Then

$$I_i Rx \subseteq Rx \cap I_i = 0, \text{ for any } i \in A \text{ and } Rx \subseteq r(I).$$

So

$$RxRx \leq Ann_l Ann_r(I) Ann_r(I) = 0.$$

And  $RxRx = 0$ . By Proposition 2.6, so  $Rx = 0$  and  $x = 0$ . Thus a contradiction.

**Claim:** there is a  $i_0 \in A$  such that  $Rx \cap I_{i_0} \neq 0$  and  $0 \neq a \in Rx \cap I_{i_0}$ , then  $a^2 \neq 0$ . Suppose  $b \in Ann_l(a^2)$ , then  $aba \in Ra$  and  $aba = 0$ ,  $(ba)^2 = b(aba) = 0$ , so  $ba = 0$ . Thus  $Ann_l(a) = Ann_l(a^2)$ . By Theorem 2.3 we have

$$aR = Ann_r Ann_l(a) = Ann_r Ann_l(a^2) = a^2 R.$$

Then there is a element  $c \in R$  such that  $a^2 = a^2 c$  and  $(a - aca)^2 = 0$ ,  $a - aca \in Ra$ , so  $a = aca$ . Let  $e = ca$  then  $e^2 = (ca)^2 = c(aca) = ca \in Ra \subseteq Rx$ , then  $e = dx$  and  $(xe)^2 = xdx^2 dx = 0$ ,  $xe \in Ra$ . Thus  $xe = 0$ ,  $e = e^2 = dxe = 0$ ,  $a = aca = ae = 0$ , a contradiction.

### § 3. Almost Excellent Extensions

Suppose that  $R$  is a subring of the ring  $S$ ,  $P$  and  $S$  have the same identity. The ring  $S$  is said to be an excellent extension of  $R$  if

(A)  $S$  is a free normalizing extension of  $R$  with a basis that includes 1; that is; there exists a finite set  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq S$  such that  $a = 1$ ,  $S = a_1 R + \dots + a_n R$  and  $a_i R = R a_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $S$  is free with basis  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  as both a right and left  $R$ -module and

(B)  $S$  is  $R$ -projective, that is, if  $Ns$  is a submodule of  $Ms$ , then  $N_R | M_R$  implies  $N_s | M_s$ .

Excellent extensions were introduced by Passman [8] and named by Bonami [9]. Examples include finite matrix rings [8] and crossed products  $R * G$ , where  $G$  is a finite group  $o(G)^{-1} \in R$  [9]. Further examples are given in [8] and [10], some authors consider various properties which shared by  $R$  and  $S$  when  $S$  is an excellent extension of  $R$ .

The ring  $S$  is said to almost excellent extension of  $R$  if the conditions (B) and (C) are satisfied.

(C)  $S$  is a finite normalizing extension of  $R$  such that  $S_R$  is projective  $R$ -module and  $S_R$  is flat.

Obviously excellent extension is an almost excellent extension.

A module  $M$  is  $p$ -injective if for any principal right ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , any  $R$ -homomorphism  $g: I \rightarrow M$ . Can be extended to a  $p$ -homomorphism  $R \rightarrow M$ .

**Lemma 3.1** Let  $S$  be almost excellent extension of  $R$  and  $M_S$   $p$ -injective then  $M_R$  is a  $p$ -injective.

**Proof** Suppose that  $U$  is a principal ideal of  $R$  and  $I = bR$  and  $R$ -homomorphism  $f: I \rightarrow M$ . Let  $J = Ia_1 + \dots + Ia_n$ , then  $J$  is a principal right ideal of  $S$  by  $J = bS$ . Let  $F: J \rightarrow M$  such that  $F(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i a_i) = \sum f(x_i) a_i$ . Obviously,  $F$  is a  $S$ -homomorphism, then it exists a  $S$ -homomorphism  $G: S \rightarrow M_S$  such that  $G|_J = F$ . Thus  $G|_R: R \rightarrow M$  is an extension of  $f$ .

**Lemma 3.2**<sup>[12]</sup> Let  $S$  be an almost excellent extension of  $R$ , then  $S$  right coherent if and only if  $R$  is a right coherent.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $S$  be an almost excellent extension of  $R$ , then  $R$  is right  $PC$ -ring if and only if  $R$  is a right  $PC$ -ring.

**Proof**  $S$  is a right  $PC$ -ring if and only if  $S$  is a right coherent ring and  $S_S$   $p$ -injective if and only if  $R$  is a right coherent ring and  $S_R$   $p$ -injective by Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2. Obviously,  $R_R \mid S_R^T$  and  $S_R \mid R_R^T$  by  $S$  almost excellent extension of  $R$ , we see that  $S_R$  is  $p$ -injective if and only if  $R_R$  is  $p$ -injective. Thus  $S$  is a right  $PC$ -ring if and only if  $R$  is a right  $PC$ -ring.

**Remark 3.4** By analogy with the proof of Theorem we can show that if  $S$  is an almost excellent extension of  $R$ , then  $S$  is a right  $FC$ -ring if and only if  $R$  is a right  $FC$ -ring. Let  $S$  be an almost excellent extension of  $R$ .

**Corollary 3.5** Let  $S$  be an almost excellent extension of  $R$ , the following statements are equivalent

- (1)  $R$  is right  $PC$ -ring.
- (2) The matrix ring  $M_n(R)$  is a right  $PC$ -ring.
- (3) The crossed product  $R * G$  is a right  $PC$ -ring ( $G$  finite group and  $o(G)^{-1} \in R$ ).

## § 4. Smash Products

Let  $R$  be graded by a finite group  $G$ . The smash product  $R \# G^*$  is a free right and left  $R$ -module with basis  $\{pa \mid a \in G\}$  and multiplication determined by

$$(rpa)(spb) = rs_{ab}^{-1}pb$$

where  $s_{ab}^{-1}$  is the  $ab^{-1}$  component of  $s$ .

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $R$  be graded by a finite group  $G$  and  $o(G)^{-1} \in R$ . Then the smash product  $R \# G^*$  is a right  $PC$ -ring if and only if  $R$  is right  $PC$ -ring.

**Proof** The group  $G$  acts as automorphisms on  $R \# G^*$  with  $g(rp_a) = rp_{ag}$ , so we may form the skew group ring  $(R \# G^*) * G$ . The duality Theorem for coactions [14 Theorem 3.5] asserts that  $(R \# G^*) * G \cong M_n(R)$ , the ring of  $n \times n$  matrices over  $R$ , where  $n = o(G)$ . Thus the result follows from Corollary 3.5.

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## $PC$ -环与几乎优越扩张

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**摘 要:** 本文我们讨论了这种环  $R$  的结构,  $R$  是凝聚环且  $R$  作为  $R$ -模是  $P$ -内射, 我们称此环为  $PC$ -环, 并证明了在几乎优越扩张下的不变性。

**关键词:**  $PC$ -环; 几乎优越扩张