



## On extensions of Baer and quasi-Baer modules

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**Abstract.** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $M_R$  a module,  $S$  a monoid,  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism and  $R * S$  a skew monoid ring. Then  $M[S] = \{m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \mid n \geq 1, m_i \in M \text{ and } g_i \in S \text{ for each } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is a module over  $R * S$ . A module  $M_R$  is *Baer* (resp. *quasi-Baer*) if the annihilator of every subset (resp. submodule) of  $M$  is generated by an idempotent of  $R$ . In this paper we impose  $S$ -compatibility assumption on the module  $M_R$  and prove: (1)  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer if and only if  $M[s]_{R*S}$  is quasi-Baer, (2)  $M_R$  is Baer (resp. p.p) if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is Baer (resp. p.p), where  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz, (3)  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules if and only if so does  $M[S]_{R*S}$ , where  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz.

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# 1 Introduction and preliminaries

Throughout this paper  $R$  denotes an associative ring with identity and  $M_R$  is a right  $R$ -module. According to [16] a ring  $R$  is *Baer* if the right annihilator of every nonempty subset of  $R$  is generated by an idempotent. Quasi-Baer rings were initially introduced by Clark [10]. A ring  $R$  is *quasi-Baer* if the right annihilator of every right ideal of  $R$  generated by an idempotent. Another generalization of Baer rings is p.p.-rings. Recall that a ring  $R$  is called *right* (resp. *left*) *p.p.* if right (left) annihilator of every element of  $R$  is generated by an idempotent. Birkenmeier et al. in [7] introduced principally quasi-Baer rings. A ring  $R$  is called *right principally quasi-Baer* (or p.q.-Baer for short) if the right annihilator of a principal right ideal of  $R$  is generated by an idempotent.

In [1] Armendariz studied the behavior of a polynomial ring over Baer ring. He proved for a reduced ring  $R$ ,  $R[x]$  is Baer if and only if  $R$  is Baer [1, Theorem B]. Also, he provided an example to show that the “Armendariz” condition is not superfluous. Birkenmeier and Park [9] extended this result to monoid ring.

We now introduce the definitions and notions used in this paper. If  $A$  and  $B$  are non-empty subsets of a monoid  $S$ , then an element  $s_0 \in AB = \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}$  is said to be a *unique product element* (u.p. element for short) in the product of  $AB$  if it is uniquely presented in the form of  $s = ab$  where  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .

Recall that a monoid  $S$  is called *unique product monoid* (u.p. monoid for short) if for any two non-empty finite subsets  $A, B \subseteq S$  there exist  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  such that  $ab$  is u.p. element in the product of  $AB$ . The class of u.p. monoids are quite large. For example this class includes the right or left ordered monoid and torsion free nilpotent groups. Every u.p. monoid  $S$  is cancellative [9, Lemma 1.1] and has no non-unit element of finite order.

Assume that  $R$  is a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. For each  $g \in S$  we denote the image of  $g$  by  $\omega_g$  (i.e.,  $\omega(g) = \omega_g$ ). Then all finite formal combinations  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i g_i$ , with point-wise addition and multiplication induced by  $(ag)(bh) = (a\omega_g(b))gh$  form a ring that is called *skew monoid ring* and it is denoted by  $R * S$ . The construction of skew monoid ring generalizes some classical ring construction such as skew polynomial rings, skew Laurent polynomial rings and monoid rings. Hence any result on skew monoid ring has its counterpart in each of the subclasses.

As a generalization of monoid rings, we introduce the notion of modules over skew monoid rings. For a module  $M_R$ , let  $M[S] = \{m_1 g_1 + \cdots + m_n g_n \mid n \geq 1, m_i \in M \text{ and } g_i \in S \text{ for each } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Then  $M[S]$  is a right module over  $R * S$  under the following scalar product operation: for  $m(s) = m_1 g_1 + \cdots + m_n g_n \in$

$M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1 h_1 + \cdots + a_m h_m \in R * S$ ,  $m(s)f(s) := \sum_{i,j} m_i \omega_{g_i}(a_j) g_i h_j$ .

For a nonempty subset  $X$  of  $M_R$ , let  $\text{ann}_R(X) = \{r \in R \mid Xr = 0\}$ .

The notion of reduced, Armendariz, Baer, p.p and quasi-Baer module introduced in [18] by Lee and Zhou. A module  $M_R$  is called *reduced* if for any  $m \in M$  and  $a \in R$ ,  $ma = 0$  implies  $mR \cap Ma = 0$ . A module  $M_R$  is called *Baer* if, for any nonempty subset  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $\text{ann}_R(X) = eR$  where  $e^2 = e \in R$ . A module  $M_R$  is called *p.p* if for any element  $m \in M$ ,  $\text{ann}_R(m) = eR$  where  $e^2 = e \in R$ . A module  $M_R$  is called *quasi-Baer* if, for any right  $R$ -submodule  $X$  of  $M$ ,  $\text{ann}_R(X) = eR$  where  $e^2 = e \in R$ . Clearly,  $R$  is reduced (resp. Baer, right p.p, quasi-Baer) if and only if  $R_R$  is reduced (resp. Baer, right p.p, quasi-Baer). Lee and Zhou [18] proved that  $M_R$  is reduced if and only if  $M[x]_{R[x]}$  is reduced. Various results of reduced rings were extended to modules in [18, 2].

Recall that from [6] an idempotent  $e \in R$  is *left (resp. right) semicentral* in  $R$  if  $exe = xe$  (resp.  $exe = ex$ ) for all  $x \in R$ . Equivalently,  $e = e^2 \in R$  is left (resp. right) semicentral if  $eR$  (resp.  $Re$ ) is an ideal of  $R$ . Since the right annihilator of a right  $R$ -module is an ideal, then the right annihilator of a right  $R$ -module is generated by a left semicentral idempotent in a quasi-Baer module. We denote the set of all left (resp. right) semicentral idempotents of  $R$  with  $S_\ell(R)$  (resp.  $S_r(R)$ ).

A module  $M_R$  is called *principally quasi-Baer* (or p.q.-Baer for short) if, for any  $m \in M$ ,  $\text{ann}_R(mR) = eR$  where  $e^2 = e \in R$ . Clearly  $R$  is a right p.q.-Baer if and only if  $R_R$  is p.q.-Baer module.

In this paper we introduce and study the concept of  $S$ -skew Armendariz modules as a generalization of  $S$ -Armendariz rings [19]. For a u.p. monoid  $S$  and monoid homomorphism  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  we show that reduced module  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz. We investigate the quasi-Baer and related conditions on right  $R * S$ -module  $M[S]$  for a u.p. monoid  $S$  and monoid homomorphism  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(R)$ . We impose  $S$ -compatibility assumption on the module  $M_R$  and prove: (1)  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer if and only if  $M[s]_{R*S}$  is quasi-Baer, (2)  $M_R$  is Baer (resp. p.p) if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is Baer (resp. p.p), when  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz, (3)  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules if and only if so does  $M[S]_{R*S}$ , when  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Our results extend Armendariz [1, Theorem B], Groenewald [11, Theorem 2], Birkenmeier, Kim and Park [8, Theorem 1.2], Birkenmeier and Park [9, Theorem 1.2, Corollary 1.3].

## 2 S-skew Armendariz modules

Let  $R$  be a ring with an endomorphism  $\sigma$ . According to [4] for a module  $M_R$  and an endomorphism  $\sigma : R \rightarrow R$ , we say that  $M_R$  is  $\sigma$ -compatible if for each  $m \in M$  and  $r \in R$ , we have  $mr = 0$  if and only if  $m\sigma(r) = 0$ . For more details on  $\sigma$ -compatible rings refer to [13, 14].

**Definition 1** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. We say that a module  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible if  $M_R$  is  $\omega_g$ -compatible for each  $g \in S$ .

Notic that  $R$  is  $S$ -compatible if and only if  $R_R$  is  $S$ -compatible. Now we give some examples of  $S$ -compatible modules.

**Example 1** [4, Example 4.4] Let  $R_0$  be a domain of characteristic zero, and  $R := R_0[t]$ . Define  $\sigma|_{R_0} = \text{id}_{R_0}$  and  $\sigma(t) = -t$ . Let  $M_R := R_0 \oplus R_0 \oplus R_0 \oplus \dots$ , where  $t \in R$  acts on  $M_R$  as follows: for  $(m_0, m_1, m_2, \dots) \in M$ , we set  $(m_0, m_1, m_2, \dots) \cdot t := (0, m_0 k_0, m_1 k_1, m_2 k_2, \dots)$  where the  $k_i$  ( $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ) are fixed nonzero integers. We show that  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -compatible. For this, it suffices to show that  $\text{ann}(m) = 0$  whenever  $0 \neq m \in M$ . Suppose that  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)(b_r t^r + b_{r+1} t^{r+1} + \text{"higher terms"}) = 0$ , where  $a_i, b_i \in R_0$  for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $b_r \neq 0$ . First applying  $t^r$  to  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$  gives

$$(0, 0, \dots, 0, a_0 k_0 k_1 \dots k_{r-1}, a_1 k_1 k_2 \dots k_r, \dots)(b_r + b_{r+1} t + \text{"higher terms"}) = 0.$$

Upon computing this expression, we deduce that  $a_0 k_0 k_1 \dots k_{r-1} b_r = 0$ . Since the characteristic is zero,  $R$  is a domain, and  $k_0 k_1 \dots k_{r-1} b_r \neq 0$ , we deduce that  $a_0 = 0$ . Now, we may proceed inductively to show that all  $a_i = 0$ . From this calculation, we deduce that  $M_R$  is  $\sigma$ -compatible.

**Example 2** [14, Example 1.1] Let  $R_1$  be a ring,  $D$  a domain and  $R = T_n(R_1) \oplus D[y]$ , where  $T_n(R_1)$  is upper  $n \times n$  triangular matrix ring over  $R_1$ . Let  $\alpha : D[y] \rightarrow D[y]$  be a monomorphism which is not surjective. We define an endomorphism  $\bar{\alpha} : R \rightarrow R$  of  $R$  by  $\bar{\alpha}(A \oplus f(y)) = A \oplus \alpha(f(y))$  for each  $A \in T_n(R_1)$  and  $f(y) \in D[y]$ . In [14, Example 1.1] it is shown that  $R$  is an  $\bar{\alpha}$ -compatible.

**Example 3** Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\sigma_i$  an endomorphism of  $R$  such that  $R$  be a  $\sigma_i$ -compatible for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let  $S$  be a monoid generated by  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism such that  $\omega_{x_i^j} = \sigma_i^j$ . One can show that  $R$  is  $S$ -compatible and  $R * S \cong R[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n]$ .

According to Lee and Zhou [18] a module  $M_R$  is *Armendariz* if, for elements  $m(x) = m_0 + m_1x + \cdots + m_nx^n \in M[x]$  and  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m \in R[x]$ ,  $m(x)f(x) = 0$  implies  $m_i a_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . In [21] Zhang and Chen, introduced the concept of a  $\sigma$ -skew Armendariz module and studied its properties. A module  $M_R$  is called  *$\sigma$ -skew Armendariz module*, if, whenever  $m(x)f(x) = 0$  where  $m(x) = m_0 + m_1x + \cdots + m_nx^n \in M[x]$  and  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m \in R[x; \sigma]$ , we have  $m_i \sigma^i(b_j) = 0$  for each  $0 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ . In [19], Liu introduced the concept of a S-Armendariz ring and studied its properties. In the following we introduce the concept of S-skew Armendariz module as a generalization of S-Armendariz rings.

**Definition 2** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. We say that a module  $M_R$  is *S-skew Armendariz module* if, for elements  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$ ,  $m(s)f(s) = 0$  implies  $m_i \omega_{g_i}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . In the case of  $\omega$  is identity homomorphism, we say  $M_R$  is *S-Armendariz module*.

Notice that for a ring  $R$  and monid  $S$  with monoid homomorphism  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$ ,  $R$  is S-skew Armendariz (resp. S-Armendariz) if and only if  $R_R$  is S-skew Armendariz (resp. S-Armendariz).

**Theorem 1** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Then  $M_R$  is S-skew Armendariz if and only if for every elements  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$ ,  $m(s)f(s) = 0$  implies  $m_{i_1} \omega_{g_{i_1}}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$  and some  $1 \leq i_1 \leq t$ .

**Proof.** The forward direction is clear. For the converse, suppose that  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$  with  $m(s)f(s) = 0$ . Then there exists  $1 \leq i_1 \leq n$  such that  $m_{i_1} \omega_{g_{i_1}}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $i_1 = 1$ . Thus  $0 = m(s)f(s) = (m_2g_2 + \cdots + m_ng_n)f(s)$ . Then by induction on  $n$  we can conclude that  $m_i \omega_{g_i}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . Hence  $M_R$  is S-skew Armendariz.  $\square$

If  $S$  is a monoid generated by  $\{x\}$  and  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  such that  $\omega_{x^i} = \sigma^i$  for an endomorphism  $\sigma$  of  $R$ , then the skew monoid ring  $R * S$  is isomorphic to skew polynomial ring  $R[x; \sigma]$  and  $M[S]$  is isomorphic to  $M[x]$ . Thus we have the following equivalent condition for a module to be  $\sigma$ -skew Armendariz.

**Corollary 1** Let  $M_R$  be a module and  $\sigma$  an endomorphism of  $R$ . Then  $M_R$  is  $\sigma$ -skew Armendariz if and only if for every polynomials  $m(x) = m_0 + m_1x + \cdots + m_nx^n \in M[x]$  and  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_tx^t \in R[x; \sigma]$ ,  $m(x)f(x) = 0$  implies  $m_{i_1} \sigma^{i_1}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $0 \leq j \leq t$  and some  $0 \leq i_1 \leq n$ .

**Corollary 2** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\sigma$  an endomorphism of  $R$ . Then  $R$  is  $\sigma$ -skew Armendariz if and only if for every polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_nx^n$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \cdots + b_mx^m \in R[x; \sigma]$ ,  $f(x)g(x) = 0$  implies  $a_{i_0}\sigma^{i_0}(b_j) = 0$  for each  $0 \leq j \leq m$  and some  $0 \leq i_0 \leq n$ .*

Recall that a module  $M_R$  is reduced if, for any  $m \in M$  and  $a \in R$ ,  $ma = 0$  implies  $mR \cap Ma = 0$ .

**Lemma 1** *The following are equivalent for a module  $M_R$ .*

- (i)  $M_R$  is reduced and  $S$ -compatible.
- (ii) The following conditions hold for any  $m \in M, a \in R$  and  $g \in S$ ,
  - (a)  $ma = 0$  implies  $mRa = 0$ .
  - (b)  $ma = 0$  if and only if  $m\omega_g(a) = 0$ .
  - (c)  $ma^2 = 0$  implies  $ma = 0$ .

**Proof.** The proof is straightforward. □

For an element  $f(s) = a_1g_1 + \cdots + a_ng_n \in R * S$  with  $a_i \neq 0$  for each  $i$ , we say that  $\text{length}(f(s)) = n$  and denote it by  $\ell(f(s))$ . Similarly, we can define  $\ell(m(s)) = t$  for an element  $m(s) = m_1h_1 + \cdots + m_th_t \in M[S]$ .

**Proposition 1** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Then  $S$ -compatible reduced module  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz.*

**Proof.** Assume that  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$  with  $m(s)f(s) = 0$ . We proceed by induction on  $\ell(m(s)) + \ell(f(s)) = n + t$ . If  $\ell(m(s)) = 1$  or  $\ell(f(s)) = 1$ , then the result is clear. Since u.p. monoids are cancellative by [6, Lemma 1.1]. From  $m(s)f(s) = 0$  there exist  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$  such that  $g_ih_j$  is u.p. element in the product of two subsets  $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$  and  $\{h_1, \dots, h_t\}$  of  $S$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $i = j = 1$ . Thus  $m_1\omega_{g_1}(a_1) = 0$  and so  $m_1a_1 = 0$  since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible. Therefore  $0 = m(s)f(s)a_1 = (m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n)(a_1\omega_{h_1}(a_1)h_1 + \cdots + a_t\omega_{h_t}(a_1)h_t)$ . By using of Lemma 1, from  $m_1a_1 = 0$  we have  $m_1\omega_{g_1}(a_j\omega_{h_j}(a_1)) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$  since  $M_R$  is reduced and  $S$ -Compatible. Thus  $0 = m(s)f(s)a_1 = (m_2g_2 + \cdots + m_ng_n)f(s)a_1 = m'(s)(f(s)a_1)$ . Since  $\ell(m'(s)) + \ell(f(s)a_1) < n + t$  satisfying  $m'(s)f(s)a_1 = 0$ , by induction hypothesise  $m_i\omega_{g_i}(a_j\omega_{h_j}(a_1)) = 0$  which implies that  $m_ia_ja_1 = 0$  for each  $2 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$ , since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible. Thus  $m_ia_j^2 = 0$

and so  $m_i a_1 = 0$  for each  $2 \leq i \leq n$ , by Lemma 1. Hence  $0 = m(s)f(s) = m(s)(a_2 h_2 + \cdots + a_t h_t)$ . Then by induction  $m_i \omega_{g_i}(a_j) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . Therefore  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz.  $\square$

If  $\omega$  is identity homomorphism (i.e.  $\omega_g = \text{id}_R$  the identity homomorphism of  $R$  for each  $g \in S$ ) we deduce the following corollary.

**Corollary 3** *Let  $M_R$  be a reduced and  $S$  a u.p. monoid. Then  $M_R$  is  $S$ -Armendariz.*

**Corollary 4** [2, Theorem 2.19] *Every reduced module is Armendariz.*

**Corollary 5** *Let  $R$  be a reduced ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Then  $R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz.*

**Proposition 2** *Let  $S$  be a monoid and  $M_R$  a  $S$ -skew Armendariz module. If  $m(s) = m_1 g_1 + \cdots + m_n g_n \in M[S]$  and  $f_i(s) = a_1^i h_1^i + \cdots + a_{t_i}^i h_{t_i}^i \in R * S$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  are such that  $m(s)f_1(s) \cdots f_k(s) = 0$ , then*

$$m_j \omega_{g_j}(a_{i_1}^1) \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1}(a_{i_2}^2) \cdots \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1} \cdots \omega_{h_{i_{k-1}}^1}(a_{i_k}^k) = 0$$

for each  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and  $1 \leq i_r \leq t_i, 1 \leq r \leq k$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $m(s)f_1(s) \cdots f_k(s) = 0$ . Then from  $m(s)(f_1(s) \cdots f_k(s)) = 0$  we have  $m_j \omega_{g_j}(a) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and each coefficient  $a$  of  $f_1(s)f_2(s) \cdots f_k(s)$ , since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew Armendariz and  $S$ -compatible. Thus  $(m_j g_j f_1(s))f_2(s) \cdots f_k(s) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . Thus  $m_j \omega_{g_j}(a_{i_1}^1) \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1}(a') = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i_1 \leq t_1$  and each coefficient  $a'$  of  $f_3(s) \cdots f_k(s)$ . By continuing this manner, we see that  $m_j \omega_{g_j}(a_{i_1}^1) \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1}(a_{i_2}^2) \cdots \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1} \cdots \omega_{h_{i_{k-1}}^1}(a_{i_k}^k) = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and  $1 \leq i_r \leq t_i, 1 \leq r \leq k$ .  $\square$

As a consequence of Propositions 1 and 2 we have the following result.

**Corollary 6** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Let  $M_R$  be a  $S$ -compatible reduced module. If  $m(s) = m_1 g_1 + \cdots + m_n g_n \in M[S]$  and  $f_i(s) = a_1^i h_1^i + \cdots + a_{t_i}^i h_{t_i}^i \in R * S$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  are such that  $m(s)f_1(s) \cdots f_k(s) = 0$ , then*

$$m_j \omega_{g_j}(a_{i_1}^1) \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1}(a_{i_2}^2) \cdots \omega_{g_j} \omega_{h_{i_1}^1} \cdots \omega_{h_{i_{k-1}}^1}(a_{i_k}^k) = 0$$

for each  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and  $1 \leq i_r \leq t_i, 1 \leq r \leq k$ .

It is proved in [18, Theorem 1.6]  $M_R$  is reduced if and only if  $M[x]_{R[x]}$  is reduced. In the following we extend this result to  $M[S]_{R*S}$ .

**Proposition 3** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Then module  $M_R$  is reduced and  $S$ -compatible if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is reduced.*

**Proof.** Assume that  $M_R$  is reduced and  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$ ,  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$  with  $m(s)f(s) = 0$ . Let  $g(s) = b_1k_1 + \cdots + b_mk_m \in R * S$  and  $k(s) = n_1s_1 + \cdots + n_ps_p \in M[S]$  such that  $m(s)g(s) = k(s)f(s) \in m(s)(R * S) \cap M[S]f(s)$ . From  $m(s)f(s) = 0$  we have  $m_i\omega_{g_i}(a_j) = 0 = m_ia_j$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$ , by Proposition 1 and  $S$ -compatibility assumption on  $M_R$ . Then by Lemma 1 we have  $m_ira_j = 0$  for each  $r \in R$  which implies that  $0 = m(s)g(s)f(s) = k(s)f^2(s)$ . Therefore  $n_ia_ja_l = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq p$  and  $1 \leq j, l \leq t$  by Proposition 2. Thus  $n_ia_j^2 = 0$  and so  $n_ia_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq p$  and  $1 \leq j \leq t$  by Lemma 1. Therefore  $k(s)f(s) = 0$  which implies that  $m(s)(R * S) \cap M[S]f(s) = 0$  and hence  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is reduced.

Conversely, assume that  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is reduced and  $m \in M, r \in R$  with  $mr = 0$ . Also assume that  $n \in M, a \in R$  such that  $ma = nr \in Mr \cap mR$ . Put  $m(s) = mg$  and  $k(s) = nh$  for some  $g, h \in S$ . Thus  $m(s)a = k(s)r \in M[S]r \cap m(s)(R * S)$ . Since  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is reduced  $M[S]r \cap m(s)(R * S) = 0$  which implies that  $ma = nr = 0$ . Hence  $M_R$  is reduced. Now, assume that  $mr = 0$  for some  $m \in M$  and  $r \in R$ . For each  $g \in S$  we have  $mgr = m\omega_g(r)g \in M[S]r \cap m(R * S)$ . Since  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is reduced,  $M[S]r \cap m(R * S) = 0$ . Thus  $m\omega_g(r) = 0$ . Clearly, if  $m\omega_g(r) = 0$  for each  $g \in S$  we have  $mr = 0$ . Therefore  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible.  $\square$

**Corollary 7** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\sigma$  an endomorphism of  $R$ . Then  $M_R$  is reduced and  $\sigma$ -compatible if and only if  $M[x]_{R[x;\sigma]}$  is reduced.*

**Corollary 8** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\sigma$  an endomorphism of  $R$ . Then  $R$  is reduced and  $\sigma$ -compatible if and only if  $R[x;\sigma]$  is reduced.*

### 3 Extensions of Baer and quasi-Baer modules

In this section we study on the relationship between the Baerness and p.p. property of a module  $M_R$  and right  $R * S$ -module  $M[S]$ .

According to [5] a module  $M_R$  is called *quasi-Armendariz* if whenever  $m(x)R[x]f(x) = 0$  for  $m(x) = m_0 + m_1x + \cdots + m_nx^n \in M[x]$  and  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m \in R[x]$ , then  $m_iRa_j = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . Let  $S$  be



a monoid. According to [12] a ring  $R$  is called *S-quasi Armendariz* if for each two elements  $\alpha = a_1g_1 + \cdots + a_ng_n, \beta = b_1h_1 + \cdots + b_mh_m \in R[S]$  satisfy  $\alpha R[s]\beta = 0$ , implies that  $a_iRb_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

**Definition 3** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. A module  $M_R$  is called *S-skew quasi-Armendariz*, if for any  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$  satisfy  $m(s)(R * S)f(s) = 0$  implies that  $m_i g_i R g_j h_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$  and  $g \in S$ .

Clearly a ring  $R$  is *S-skew quasi-Armendariz* if and only if  $R_R$  is *S-skew quasi-Armendariz*.

Birkenmeier and Park in [9, Theorem 1.2] proved that for a u.p. monoid  $S$  the monoid ring  $R[S]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. right p.q.-Baer) if and only if  $R$  is quasi-Baer (resp. right p.q.-Baer). In the following we extend these results to  $M[S]$  as a right  $R * S$ -module.

**Theorem 2** Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid,  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. If  $M_R$  is *S-compatible*, then we have the following:

- (i)  $M_R$  is right p.q.-Baer if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is right p.q.-Baer.
- (ii)  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is quasi-Baer.

In this case,  $M_R$  is *S-skew quasi-Armendariz*.

**Proof.** (i) Assume that  $R$  is right p.q.-Baer. Let  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in M[S]$ . There exists  $e_i \in S_\ell(R)$  such that  $\text{ann}_R(m_iR) = e_iR$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then  $e = e_1e_2 \cdots e_n \in S_\ell(R)$  and  $eR = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{ann}_R(m_iR)$ . Since every compatible automorphism is idempotent stabilizing by [3, Theorem 2.14] we have  $e(R * S) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R * S)$ . Note that  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R * S) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R)$ . Now we show that  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R) \subseteq e(R * S)$ . Let  $g(s) = b_1h_1 + \cdots + b_mh_m \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R)$ . Then  $m(s)Rg(s) = 0$ . We proceed by induction on  $n$  to show that  $g(s) \in e(R * S)$ . Let  $n = 1$ . Then  $m_1g_1R(b_1h_1 + \cdots + b_th_t) = 0$ . Thus  $m_1g_1Rb_jh_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ , since  $S$  is cancellative, by [9, Lemma 1.1]. Since  $\omega_{g_1}$  is automorphism  $m_1R\omega_{g_1}(b_j) = 0$  and so  $\omega_{g_1}(b_j) \in \text{ann}_R(m_1R) = e_1R$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . Thus  $\omega_{g_1}(b_j) = e_1\omega_{g_1}(b_j)$  and so  $b_j = e_1b_j$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ , since  $\omega_{g_1}$  is a compatible automorphism of  $R$ . Therefore  $b_j \in e_1R = eR$ . Hence  $g(s) = eg(s) \in e(R * S)$ , as desired. Now assume that

$$(*) \quad (m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n)R(b_1h_1 + \cdots + b_th_t) = 0.$$

Since  $S$  is u.p. monoid there exist  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$  such that  $g_i h_j$  is u.p. element in the product of two subsets  $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$  and  $\{h_1, \dots, h_t\}$  of  $S$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $i = n, j = t$ . Thus  $m_n g_n R b_t h_t = 0$ . That is  $\omega_{g_n}(b_t) \in \text{ann}_R(m_n R) = e_n R$  and  $\omega_{g_n}(b_t) = e_n \omega_{g_n}(b_t)$ . Since  $\omega_{g_n}$  is a compatible automorphism of  $R$ ,  $b_t = e_n b_t$  and  $b_t \in e_n R$ . Replacing  $R$  by  $R e_n$  in the equation (\*) we have  $(m_1 g_1 + \dots + m_{n-1} g_{n-1})R(e_n b_1 h_1 + \dots + e_n b_t h_t) = 0$ . By induction on  $n$  we have  $e_n b_j \in e_1 R \cap e_2 R \cap \dots \cap e_{n-1} R$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . In particular,  $b_t \in e_1 R \cap \dots \cap e_{n-1} R$ . Therefore  $b_t = e_n b_t \in e_1 R \cap \dots \cap e_n R = eR = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{ann}_R(m_i R)$ . Since  $\omega_{g_i}$  is a compatible automorphism of  $R$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  we have

$$(**) \quad (m_1 g_1 + \dots + m_n g_n)R(b_1 h_1 + \dots + b_{t-1} h_{t-1}) = 0.$$

Since  $S$  is u.p. monoid there exist  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t-1$  such that  $g_i h_j$  is u.p. element in the product of two subsets  $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$  and  $\{h_1, \dots, h_{t-1}\}$  of  $S$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $i = n, j = t-1$ . Thus  $m_n g_n R b_{t-1} h_{t-1} = 0$  which implies that  $\omega_{g_n}(b_{t-1}) \in \text{ann}(m_n R) = e_n R$  and  $\omega_{g_n}(b_{t-1}) = e_n \omega_{g_n}(b_{t-1})$ . Therefore  $b_{t-1} = e_n b_{t-1}$ , since  $\omega_{g_n}$  is an idempotent stabilizing automorphism of  $R$ . Replacing  $R$  by  $R e_n$  in the equation (\*\*) we have  $(m_1 g_1 + \dots + m_{n-1} g_{n-1})R e_n(b_1 h_1 + \dots + b_{t-1} h_{t-1}) = 0$ . Then by induction on  $n$  we can conclude that  $e_n b_j \in \text{ann}_R(m_1 R) \cap \dots \cap \text{ann}_R(m_{n-1} R)$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t-1$  and hence  $b_{t-1} = e_n b_{t-1} \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{ann}_R(m_i R) = eR$ . Therefore from the equation (\*\*) we have  $0 = (m_1 g_1 + \dots + m_n g_n)R(b_1 h_1 + \dots + b_{t-2} h_{t-2})$ . By continuing this process we can conclude that  $b_j \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{ann}_R(m_i R) = eR$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$  which implies that  $g(s) = eg(s)$ . Thus  $\text{ann}_R(m(s)R) \subseteq e(R * S)$ . So we have  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)(R * S)) \subseteq \text{ann}_R(m(s)R) \subseteq e(R * S)$ . Hence  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(m(s)R * S) = e(R * S)$ . Therefore  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is p.q.-Baer.

Conversely assume that  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is p.q.-Baer. Take  $m \in M$ . Then  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(m(R * S)) = e(s)(R * S)$  for some idempotent  $e(s) = e_1 s_1 + \dots + e_n s_n$  in  $R * S$ . Let  $a \in \text{ann}_R(mR)$ . Since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible,  $\text{ann}_R(mR) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(m(R * S)) = e(s)(R * S)$ . Therefore  $a = e(s)a = (e_1 g_1 + \dots + e_n g_n)a$ . Thus there exist  $1 \leq i_0 \leq n$  such that  $a = e_{i_0} \omega_{g_{i_0}}(a)$  and so  $\text{ann}_R(mR) \subseteq e_{i_0} R$ . Since  $e(s) \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(m(R * S))$  then  $0 = mRe(s) = mR(e_1 s_1 + \dots + e_n g_n)$ . Since  $S$  is cancellative  $mRe_i = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus  $e_{i_0} \in \text{ann}_R(mR)$  and hence  $\text{ann}_R(mR) = e_{i_0} R$ . Also,  $e_{i_0}$  is idempotent, since  $e_{i_0} \in \text{ann}_R(mR)$ ,  $a = e_{i_0} \omega_{g_{i_0}}(a)$  for each  $a \in \text{ann}_R(mR)$  and  $\omega_{g_{i_0}}$  is idempotent stabilizing, we have  $e_{i_0} = e_{i_0} \omega_{g_{i_0}}(e_{i_0}) = e_{i_0}^2$ . Therefore  $R$  is p.q.-Baer.

(ii) Assume that  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer. First we show that  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Suppose that  $m(s) = m_1 g_1 + \dots + m_n g_n \in M[S]$  and  $f(s) =$

$a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t \in R * S$  such that  $m(s)(R * S)f(s) = 0$ . Thus  $m(s)rgf(s) = 0$  for each  $r \in R, g \in S$ . We proceed by induction on  $\ell(m(s)) + \ell(f(s)) = n + t$ . If  $\ell(m(s)) = 1$ , then  $m_1g_1rg(a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t) = 0$ . Since  $S$  is cancellative  $m_1g_1rga_jh_j = 0$ , as desired. Also if  $\ell(f(s)) = 1$  the result is clear. From

$$(*) \quad (m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n)rg(a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t) = 0$$

there exist  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$  such that  $g_ih_j$  is u.p. element in the product of two subsets  $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$  and  $\{h_1, \dots, h_t\}$  of  $S$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $i = n, j = t$ . Then  $m_ng_nrga_th_t = 0$  and so  $m_n\omega_{g_n}(r)\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t) = 0 = m_n r' \omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t)$ . Thus  $\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t) \in \text{ann}_R(m_nR) = eR$  such that  $e^2 = e \in R$  and so  $\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t) = e\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t)$ . Replacing  $rg$  by  $reg$  in the equation  $(*)$  we have

$$(m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}g_{n-1})reg(a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_th_t) = 0$$

since  $\omega_g$  is idempotent stabilizing by [3, Theorem 2.14]. Then by induction we can conclude that  $m_i g_i reg a_j h_j = 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq t$ . Thus  $m_i g_i reg a_t h_t = 0$  and so  $m_i g_i re \omega_g(a_t) g h_t = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . Since  $\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t) = e\omega_{g_n}\omega_g(a_t)$  and  $\omega_{g_n}$  is a compatible automorphism of  $R$ ,  $\omega_g(a_t) = e\omega_g(a_t)$ . Thus  $0 = m_i g_i re \omega_g(a_t) g h_t = m_i g_i r \omega_g(a_t) g h_t$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . On the other hand  $m_n g_n reg a_t h_t = 0$  and hence  $m_i g_i r g a_t h_t = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus  $0 = m(s)rgf(s) = (m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n)rg(a_1h_1 + \cdots + a_{t-1}h_{t-1})$ . Then by induction hypothesis  $m_i g_i r g a_j h_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t-1$ . Therefore  $m_i g_i R g a_j h_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$ . Hence  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Let  $V$  be a submodule of  $M[S]$ . Let  $U$  be a right  $R$ -submodule of  $M$  generated by all coefficients of elements of  $V$ . Since  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer  $\text{ann}_R(U) = eR$  for some  $e^2 = e \in R$ . Thus  $e(R * S) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(V)$ , since  $\omega_s$  is compatible automorphism for each  $s \in S$ . Suppose that  $g(s) = b_1h_1 + \cdots + b_th_t \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(V)$ . Thus for each  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \cdots + m_ng_n \in V$ ,  $m(s)(R * S)g(s) = 0$  and hence  $m_i g_i R g b_j h_j = 0$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$  since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Therefore  $\omega_{g_i}\omega_g(b_j) \in \text{ann}_R(U) = eR$  which implies that  $\omega_{g_i}\omega_g(b_j) = e\omega_{g_i}\omega_g(b_j)$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq t$ . Since  $\omega_s$  is compatible automorphism of  $R$  for each  $s \in S$ ,  $b_j = eb_j$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq t$ . That is  $g(s) \in e(R * S)$  and so  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(V) \subseteq e(R * S)$ . Hence  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is quasi-Baer.

Conversely, assume that  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is quasi-Baer and  $U$  is a right  $R$ -submodule of  $M_R$ . Then as in the proof of the sufficiency of (i), one can show that  $\text{ann}_R(U)$  is generated as a right  $R$ -submodule, by an idempotent of  $R$ . Therefore  $M$  is quasi-Baer.  $\square$

Now we obtain the following results as a corollary of Theorem 2.

**Corollary 9** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid,  $\omega : S \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism and  $M_R$  is a  $S$ -compatible module. Then we have the following:*

- (i)  $M_R$  is a reduced p.p.- module if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is a reduced p.p.- module.
- (ii)  $M_R$  is a reduced Baer module if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is a reduced Baer module.

**Proof.** (i) Clearly reduced p.p.- modules are p.q.-Baer. Then the result follows from Theorem 2 and Proposition 3.

(ii) The result follows from Theorem 2 and the fact that a reduced quasi-Baer module is Baer.  $\square$

**Corollary 10** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $S$  a u.p. monoid. Then we have the following:*

- (i) [6, Theorem 1.2]  $R$  is quasi-Baer (resp. right p.q.-Baer) if and only if  $R[S]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. right p.q.-Baer).
- (ii) [6, Corollary 1.3]  $R$  is reduced Baer (resp. p.p.- ring) if and only if  $R[S]$  is a reduced Baer (resp. p.p.- ring).

**Corollary 11** *Let  $M_R$  be a module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M_R$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (ii)  $M[x]_{R[x]}$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (iii)  $M[x, x^{-1}]_{R[x, x^{-1}]}$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).

**Corollary 12** *Let  $R$  be a  $\sigma$ -compatible ring for an automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $R$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $R$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (ii)  $R[x; \sigma]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (iii)  $R[x, x^{-1}; \sigma]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (iv)  $R[x]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).
- (v)  $R[x, x^{-1}]$  is quasi-Baer (resp. p.q.-Baer).

Birkenmeier et al. [6, Example 1.5] showed that the “u.p. monoid” condition on  $S$  in Theorem 2 is not superfluous.

The next example shows that the “ $S$ -compatibility” assumption on  $R_R$  in Theorem 2 is not superfluous.

**Example 4** [15, Example 2] *Let  $K$  be a field,  $A = K[s, t]$  a commutative polynomial ring, and consider the ring  $R = A/(st)$ . Then  $R$  is reduced. Let  $\bar{s} = s + (st)$  and  $\bar{t} = t + (st)$  in  $R = A/(st)$ . Define an automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $R$  by  $\sigma(\bar{s}) = \bar{t}$  and  $\sigma(\bar{t}) = \bar{s}$ . Hirano in [15] showed that  $R[x; \sigma]$  is quasi-Baer but  $R$  is not quasi-Baer. Since  $\sigma(\bar{s}\bar{t}) = 0$  but  $\bar{s}\sigma(\bar{t}) = \bar{s}^2 \neq 0$  (since  $R$  is reduced), hence  $\sigma$  is not compatible. Therefore the “compatibility” assumption on  $\sigma$  is not superfluous.*

**Theorem 3** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{Aut}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. If  $M_R$  is a  $S$ -compatible and  $S$ -skew Armendariz module, then  $M_R$  is Baer if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is Baer.*

**Proof.** The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2. □

**Corollary 13** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a u.p. monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{Aut}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. Let  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible reduced module. Then  $M_R$  is Baer if and only if  $M[S]_{R*S}$  is Baer.*

**Proof.** This follows from Proposition 1 and Theorem 3. □

**Corollary 14** *Let  $R$  be a  $\sigma$ -compatible ring for an automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $R$ . If  $R$  is  $\sigma$ -skew Armendariz, then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $R$  is Baer.
- (ii)  $R[x; \sigma]$  is Baer .
- (iii)  $R[x, x^{-1}; \sigma]$  is Baer.
- (iv)  $R[x]$  is Baer.
- (v)  $R[x, x^{-1}]$  is Baer.

**Theorem 4** *Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  a monoid and  $\omega : S \rightarrow \text{End}(R)$  a monoid homomorphism. If  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible and  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz, then  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules if and only if so does  $M[S]_{R*S}$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules. Let  $V_1 \subseteq V_2 \subseteq \dots$  be a chain of annihilator of submodules of  $M[S]_{R*S}$ . Then there exist submodules  $K_i$  of  $M[S]_{R*S}$  such that  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(K_i) = V_i$  and  $K_i \supseteq K_{i+1}$  for each  $i \geq 1$ . Let  $U_i$  be a submodule of  $M$  generated by all coefficients of elements of  $K_i$ . Clearly  $U_1 \supseteq U_2 \supseteq \dots$ . Then  $\text{ann}_R(U_1) \subseteq \text{ann}_R(U_2) \subseteq \dots$  is a chain of annihilator of submodules of  $M_R$ . Since  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $\text{ann}_R(U_n) = \text{ann}_R(U_i)$  for all  $i \geq n$ . We show that  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(K_n) = \text{ann}_{R*S}(K_i)$  for all  $i \geq n$ . Let  $f(s) = a_1h_1 + a_2h_2 + \dots + a_th_t \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(K_i)$ . For each  $m(s) = m_1g_1 + \dots + m_ng_n \in K_i$ ,  $m(s)(R * S)f(s) = 0$ . Therefore  $m_jg_jRga_ph_p = 0$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq p \leq t$  since  $M[S]$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Thus  $m_jR\omega_{g_j}\omega_g(a_p) = 0$  and so  $m_jRa_p = 0$ , since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible. Therefore  $a_p \in \text{ann}(U_i) = \text{ann}(U_n)$  for each  $1 \leq p \leq t$  and hence  $f(s) \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(K_n)$ . Thus  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(K_n) = \text{ann}_{R*S}(K_i)$ . Now assume that  $M[S]_{R*S}$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules. Let  $U_1 \subseteq U_2 \subseteq \dots$  be a chain of annihilator of submodules of  $M_R$ . Then there exist submodules  $M_i$  of  $M$  such that  $\text{ann}_R(M_i) = U_i$ . Thus  $M_1 \supseteq M_2 \supseteq \dots$ . Hence  $M_i[S]$  is a submodule of  $M[S]_{R*S}$ ,  $M_i[S] \supseteq M_{i+1}[S]$  and  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(M_i[S]) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(M_{i+1}[S])$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . Thus  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(M_1[S]) \subseteq \text{ann}_{R*S}(M_2[S]) \subseteq \dots$  is a chain of annihilator of submodules of  $M[S]$  and so there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $\text{ann}_{R*S}(M_n[S]) = \text{ann}_{R*S}(M_i[S])$ . We show that  $\text{ann}_R(M_n) = \text{ann}_R(M_i)$  for  $i \geq n$ . Assume that  $r \in \text{ann}_R(M_i)$ . Since  $M$  is  $S$ -compatible,  $r \in \text{ann}_{R*S}(M_i[S]) = \text{ann}_{R*S}(M_n[S])$  for all  $i \geq n$ . For each  $m(s) \in M_n[S]$  and  $r \in R$ ,  $m(s)(R * S)r = 0$  which implies that  $m_pg_pRgr = 0$  for each  $1 \leq p \leq t, g \in S$ , since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -skew quasi-Armendariz. Thus  $m_pR\omega_{g_p}\omega_g(r) = 0 = m_pRr$ , since  $M_R$  is  $S$ -compatible, and so  $r \in \text{ann}_R(M_n)$ . Therefore  $\text{ann}_R(M_i) = \text{ann}_R(M_n)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 15** *Let  $M_R$  be a module and  $\sigma$  a compatible automorphism of  $R$ . The following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M_R$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules.
- (ii)  $M[x]_{R[x;\sigma]}$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules.
- (iii)  $M[x, x^{-1}]_{R[x, x^{-1}; \sigma]}$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on annihilator of submodules.

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