

# Some new classes to tackle Enochs' conjecture

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The class  $\mathcal{C}$  is called covering if every module has a cover from  $\mathcal{C}$ .

# Direct set

Direct set: If  $I$  is a set with relation  $\leq$  (reflexive and binary transitive), then  $\langle I, \leq \rangle$  is called a direct set if every pair of elements of  $I$  has an upper bound.

That is if  $i, j \in I$ , there exists  $k \geq i, j$

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**Enochs conjecture:** Is the converse of Fact (2) true? That means is a covering class closed under direct limit?

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This class of modules lies **between** the class of **projective** modules and that of **flat** modules. It is called the class of  $S$ -strongly flat modules, denoted by  $S\mathcal{F}.$

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- 4) The main question is this when this class is a covering?



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So with this  $S$ , we have the class of  $S$ -strongly flat modules. When this call is covering?

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In commutative case the converse is true but in general not.

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