

# WARFIELD DUALITIES INDUCED BY SELF-SMALL MIXED GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. For a self-small abelian group  $A$  of torsion-free rank 1, we characterize  $A$ -reflexive abelian groups which are induced by the contravariant functor  $\text{Hom}(-, A)$  in two cases: the range of  $\text{Hom}(-, A)$  is the category of all abelian groups, respectively the range of  $\text{Hom}(-, A)$  is the category of all left  $E$ -modules, where  $E$  is the endomorphism ring of  $A$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A$  be an abelian group with  $E$  its endomorphism ring. It induces the following pairs of adjoint contravariant functors:

$$W(-) = \text{Hom}(-, A) : Ab \rightarrow Ab : \text{Hom}(-, A) = W(-)$$

$$\Delta(-) = \text{Hom}(-, A) : Ab \rightarrow E\text{-Mod} : \text{Hom}_E(-, A) = \Delta(-)$$

together the natural transformations  $\nu : 1_{Ab} \rightarrow W^2$ , respectively  $\delta : 1_{Ab} \rightarrow \Delta^2$ . An abelian group  $C$  is called  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive ( $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive) if  $\nu_C$  is an isomorphism (respectively  $\delta_C$  is an isomorphism). The classes of  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive, respectively  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive, groups are maximal classes such that the restrictions of the functors  $W$ , respectively  $\Delta$ , to these classes are dualities. In abelian groups theory, this kind of dualities are called *Warfield dualities*.

The study of Warfield dualities is an important tool. Results obtained by Warfield (for finite rank torsion-free  $A$ -reflexive groups, where  $A$  is torsion-free of rank 1) in its seminal paper [23] were extended, respectively used, by many authors during the last 40 years, especially in the theory of (finite-rank) torsion-free groups or in theories of torsion-free modules over some commutative domains. For example, Warfield's theory presented in [23, Section 3] was extended in [19], [20] and [21], to some more general classes of (locally-free) finite rank torsion-free groups. These generalizations, together with results concerning Butler groups (which exhibit another kind of duality in finite rank torsion-free setting), were used to explain the existence of some properties of finite rank torsion-free groups which are dual each to other. Moreover, in [14] the authors show that every duality on categories of torsion-free modules of finite rank over Dedekind domains, which satisfies some natural conditions, is Warfield. The reader can find more complete details for theories concerning Warfield dualities in [4] and [13].

In the present paper we will study  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive (respectively  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive) groups in the case  $A$  is a (mixed) self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. This

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study is motivated by the fact that many properties of finite rank torsion-free groups can be extended to some classes of self-small mixed groups (e.g. in [3] a Steinitz's Theorem concerning cancellation properties of tffr groups was extended to qd-groups, a class of self-small groups, in [9] it is proved that every self-small group of finite torsion-free rank has a unique Krull-Schmidt quasi-decomposition, in [15] the authors extended Arnold's duality [7] from torsion-free qd-groups to mixed qd-groups etc.). In many cases these extensions request new ideas for proofs (see [3] or [15]). Moreover, there are many results concerning tffr groups which are not valid for self-small mixed groups (e.g. [24]). Such differences are also exhibited in the present paper: in Remark 3.2 and Example 3.6 it is shown that some Warfield's results about finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups, where  $A$  is a rank 1 torsion-free group, are not valid in the case  $A$  is a proper mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1, and in Theorem 5.4 it is proved that, in contrast with the torsion-free case, the notions " $A$ - $W$ -reflexive" and " $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive" do not coincide in the mixed case (even they are not so far each to other).

In Section 2 we present, for reader's convenience, a brief summary for properties of finite torsion-free rank self-small groups. Section 3 is dedicated to finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups, where  $A$  is a self-small group torsion-free rank 1. The structure of some special finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups is described in Proposition 3.1, where it is proved that every finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group is a direct sum of a torsion group and a self-small group with some special properties. This result suggests us to split the study of  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive and  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive groups (Section 4, respectively Section 5) in two cases: torsion groups (Theorem 4.1, respectively Theorem 5.2) and self-small groups (Theorem 4.2 and Theorem 4.4, respectively Theorem 5.4). In the end of Section 4 we show that our results concerning the structure of  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive groups cannot be extended to the case when  $A$  has  $p$ -rank at most 1 for all primes  $p$ , but it is not self-small.

In this paper all groups are abelian groups. The set of all primes is denoted by  $\mathbb{P}$ , and  $\mathbb{Z}(p^k)$  denotes the cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}/p^k\mathbb{Z}$ . If  $G$  is a group then  $T_p(G)$  denotes the  $p$ -component of  $G$ ,  $T(G)$  is the torsion part of  $G$ ,  $\overline{G} = G/T(G)$ . If  $p$  is a prime, the  $\mathbb{Z}(p)$ -dimension of  $G/pG$  is called the  $p$ -rank of  $G$ . A subgroup  $F \leq G$  is *full* if  $G/F$  is a torsion group. If  $G$  is a torsion group then  $G_p$  denotes the  $p$ -component of  $G$ . If  $G$  is torsion-free  $G_p = G \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$  is the localization of  $G$  at the prime  $p$ .  $S(G)$  denotes the set of all primes  $p$  such that  $T_p(G) \neq 0$ , and  $D(G)$  is the set of all primes  $p$  such that  $\overline{G}$  is  $p$ -divisible. If  $G$  is a finite rank torsion-free group,  $OT(G)$  denotes the outer type of  $G$ . We say that a set  $U$  is *quasi-contained* in a set  $V$  if  $V \setminus U$  is finite, and we denote this by  $U \subseteq V$ .  $U$  and  $V$  are *quasi-equal* sets, denoted by  $U \doteq V$ , if each is quasi-contained in the other. All unexplained notions and notations can be found in [6], [12], [13] or [17].

## 2. SELF-SMALL GROUPS OF FINITE TORSION FREE RANK

An abelian group  $A$  is *self-small*, [8], if  $\text{Hom}(A, -)$  commutes with direct sums of copies of  $A$ . By [8], every endomorphic image of a self-small group is self-small and a torsion group is self-small if and only if it is finite, hence we have the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.1.** *If  $A$  is a self-small group then  $\text{Hom}(A, T(A))$  is a torsion group.*

For the finite torsion-free rank case we have the following characterizations for self-small groups.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $A$  be a group of finite torsion-free rank. The following affirmations are equivalent:*

- a)  $A$  is self-small;
- b) [8, Theorem 3.6]
  - i)  $T_p(A)$  is finite for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ ,
  - ii) There exists a full free subgroup  $F \leq A$  such that  $A/F$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p$  with  $T_p(A) \neq 0$ ;
- c) [5, Theorem 2.4]
  - i)  $T_p(A)$  is finite for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ ,
  - ii)  $\text{Hom}(A, T(A))$  is a torsion group;
- d) [1, Section 4]  $A = B \oplus H$  such that  $B$  is a finite group and  $H$  is an extension of group  $X$  by a group  $Y$  with the following properties:
  - i)  $X$  is a finite rank torsion-free  $S(A)$ -divisible group,
  - ii)  $Y$  is torsion-free or  $Y$  is an  $S(A)$ -pure subgroup of a direct product of (finitely generated)  $p$ -adic modules  $\prod_{p \in S(A)} M(p)$  such that  $Y$  satisfies the following projection condition: there is a full free subgroup of finite rank  $F \subset Y$  such that, for every  $p \in S(A)$ , the natural projection  $\pi'_p(F)$  of  $F$  into  $M(p)$  generates  $M(p)$  as a  $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}_p$ -module.

*Remark 2.3.* If  $A$  is a self-small group of finite torsion-free rank, the condition described in b)ii) is valid for all full-free subgroups of  $A$ .

*Convention 2.4.* If  $A$  is a self-small group of finite torsion-free rank (or, more generally, a group whose primary components are direct summands) and  $U$  is a finite set of primes then  $T_U(A) = \bigoplus_{p \in U} T_p(A)$  is a direct summand of  $A$ , hence  $A = T_U(A) \oplus A(U)$ . The direct complement  $A(U)$  of  $T_U(A)$  is unique if only if  $\overline{A}$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in U$  with  $T_p(A) \neq 0$ . However,  $A(U)$  is unique up to an isomorphism. If the choice of the direct decomposition is not important we will speak about  $A(U)$  assuming implicit that a direct decomposition  $A = T_U(A) \oplus A(U)$  is fixed.

If  $Y$  satisfies the condition d) ii) in the previous theorem then we say that it satisfies the  *$p$ -adic projection condition*. It is not hard to see that if  $Y$  satisfies the  $p$ -adic projection condition and  $F' \leq Y$  is a full free subgroup then  $\pi'_p(F')$  generates  $M_p$  for almost all  $p$ . We recall from the proofs of [1, Section 4] that  $X = \bigcap_{p \in S(A)} p^\omega A$  and  $M_p$  is the  $p$ -adic completion of  $A/p^\omega A$  for all  $p \in S(A)$ .

From the previous theorem we obtain more properties for self-small groups of finite torsion-free rank.

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $A$  be a self-small group of finite torsion-free rank  $n$ .*

a) [10, Lemma 2.1] *If  $F \leq A$  is a full free subgroup and  $\pi_p : A \rightarrow T_p(A)$  are canonical projections corresponding to some direct decompositions  $A = T_p(A) \oplus A(p)$ , then  $\pi_p(F) = T_p(A)$  for almost all  $p$ .*

b) *If  $T_p(A)$  is of rank  $n$  for almost all  $p \in S(A)$  then  $\overline{A}$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$  and there exists an embedding  $A \hookrightarrow \prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(A)$  which is  $p$ -pure for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ .*

*Proof.* b) Let  $F \leq A$  be a full free subgroup of  $A$  and  $p$  a prime such that  $T_p(A)$  is of rank  $n$  and  $D = A/F$  is  $p$ -divisible. Using the exact sequence  $F/pF \rightarrow A/pA \rightarrow$

$D/pD \rightarrow 0$ , where  $D/pD = 0$ , we observe that the  $\mathbb{Z}(p)$ -dimension of  $A/pA$  is at most  $n$ . Since  $A/pA = T_p(A)/pT_p(A) \oplus A(p)/pA(p)$ , it follows that  $A(p)/pA(p) = 0$ , hence  $A(p)$  is  $p$ -divisible.

If  $\mu : A \rightarrow \prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(A)$  is the homomorphism induced by the canonical projections  $\pi_p : A \rightarrow T_p(A)$ , then  $\mu(A)$  is a self-small group since  $T(A) = T(\mu(A))$  and  $\text{Hom}(\mu(A), T(A))$  must be a torsion group. Since almost all primary components of  $\mu(A)$  are of rank  $n$ , by a) we deduce that the torsion-free rank of  $\mu(A)$  is  $n$ , hence  $\mu$  is injective. Moreover,  $\mu(A)/T(A)$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ , hence  $\mu$  is  $p$ -pure for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ .  $\square$

The following result generalizes [2, Theorem 3.3]. We include the proof for reader's convenience.

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $A$  be a group such that every  $p$ -component of  $A$  is a direct summand. For every group  $C$ , the canonical embedding*

$$\Theta = \Theta_{CA} : \text{Hom}(C, A)/\text{Hom}(C, T(A)) \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A}),$$

$$f + \text{Hom}(C, T(A)) \mapsto [\overline{f} : c + T(C) \mapsto f(c) + T(A)]$$

is pure.

*Proof.* We consider the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow T(A) \rightarrow A \rightarrow \overline{A} \rightarrow 0$ , and applying  $\text{Hom}(C, -)$  we obtain a monomorphism  $\varphi : \text{Hom}(C, A)/\text{Hom}(C, T(A)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, \overline{A})$ . Moreover, applying  $\text{Hom}(-, \overline{A})$  to the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow T(C) \rightarrow C \rightarrow \overline{C} \rightarrow 0$  we obtain an isomorphism  $\psi : \text{Hom}(C, \overline{A}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A})$ . It is not hard to see that  $\Theta = \psi\varphi$ , hence it is enough to prove that  $\varphi$  is a pure monomorphism.

Since  $\text{Coker}(\varphi) \leq \text{Ext}(C, T(A))$ , and  $\text{Ext}(C, T(A))$  has trivial  $p$ -components for all  $p \notin S(A)$  by [17, Lemma 52.1],  $\varphi$  is  $p$ -pure for all  $p \notin S(A)$ .

Let  $p \in S(A)$ . We consider a direct decomposition  $A = T_p(A) \oplus A(p)$ . Let  $\rho : A \rightarrow A(p)$  be the canonical projection, and  $\iota : A(p) \rightarrow A$  be the inclusion map. As in the first part of the proof we have the canonical embedding  $\varphi' : \text{Hom}(C, A(p))/\text{Hom}(C, T(A(p))) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, \overline{A(p)})$ . Using the direct decompositions  $\text{Hom}(C, A) = \text{Hom}(C, A(p)) \oplus \text{Hom}(C, T_p(A))$ , respectively  $\text{Hom}(C, T(A)) = \text{Hom}(C, T(A(p))) \oplus \text{Hom}(C, T_p(A))$  and the isomorphism  $\overline{A(p)} \cong \overline{A}$ , it is not hard to construct a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}(C, A)/\text{Hom}(C, T(A)) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \text{Hom}(C, \overline{A}) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{Hom}(C, A(p))/\text{Hom}(C, T(A(p))) & \xrightarrow{\varphi'} & \text{Hom}(C, \overline{A(p)}) \end{array}$$

such that the vertical arrows are isomorphisms. Moreover,  $\varphi'$  is  $p$ -pure since  $p \notin S(A(p))$ , hence  $\varphi$  is  $p$ -pure, and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $A$  be a self-small group. If  $C$  is a group then the group  $\text{Hom}(C, A)/\text{Hom}(C, T(A))$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in D(A)$ .*

Self-small groups of torsion-free rank 1 were studied in [1]. In the following results we summarize basic properties of this kind of groups:

**Theorem 2.8.** [1] *A group  $A$  is self-small of torsion-free rank 1 if and only if  $A \cong B \oplus R$  with  $B$  a finite group and  $0 \neq R \leq \mathbb{Q}$  or  $A \cong B \oplus A(T, R)$ , where  $B$  is a finite group and:*

- a)  $T = \bigoplus_{p \in S} T_p$  is a torsion group such that  $S \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is an infinite set of primes and all primary components  $T_p$  are non-zero cyclic groups,
- b)  $R \leq \mathbb{Q}$  is a rational group which is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in S$ ,
- c)  $T \leq A(T, R) \leq \prod_{p \in S} T_p$  such that
  - i)  $A(T, R)/T \cong R$ ,
  - ii)  $A(T, R)$  satisfies the projection condition: if  $a \in A(T, R)$  is an infinite order element then  $T_p = \langle \pi_p(a) \rangle$ , where  $\pi_p : \prod_{p \in S} T_p \rightarrow T_p$  are the canonical projections, for all  $p \in S$ .

If  $A \cong B \oplus A(T, R)$  then we will say that  $A$  is a mixed self-small group. Moreover, if  $A \cong A(T, R)$  for some  $T$  and  $R$  then we will say that  $A$  is standard. Remark that a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 is standard if and only if  $S(A) \subseteq D(A)$  and every  $p$ -component of  $A$  is cyclic. It is not hard to see that for every mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 there exists a finite set of primes  $U$  such that  $A(U)$  is standard.

**Corollary 2.9.** [1] *The set of pairs  $(T, R)$ , where  $T$  and  $R$  are groups which satisfy conditions a) and b) of Theorem 2.8, is a complete set of independent invariants for standard self-small groups of torsion-free rank 1.*

If  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are self-small groups of torsion-free rank 1, the structure of the group  $\text{Hom}(A_1, A_2)$  can be more complicated in the mixed case than in the torsion-free case. Moreover, in general  $A_1 \oplus A_2$  is not a self-small group (see [1]). In the present paper we are interested only in a particular case. The proof of the following lemma is a simple exercise.

**Lemma 2.10.** *Let  $A_1 = A(T, R_1)$  and  $A_2 = A(T, R_2)$  be self-small groups of torsion-free rank 1 with the same torsion part. The following are equivalent:*

- i)  $\text{Hom}(A_1, A_2)$  is not a torsion group;
- ii)  $\text{type}(R_1) \leq \text{type}(R_2)$ ;
- iii) *There exists an embedding  $A_1 \hookrightarrow A_2$ .*

Since we are interested about finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups, we recall from [1] two results concerning finite index subgroups of finite powers  $A^n$ , where  $A$  is a self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. Quasi-isomorphic torsion groups are defined in [6, p.11] and characterized in [6, Exercise 1.10].

**Proposition 2.11.** [1] *Let  $A = A(T, R)$  be a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $n$  a positive integer.*

- a) *If  $C \leq A^n$  is a subgroup of finite index then  $C \cong A(T_1, R) \oplus \dots \oplus A(T_n, R)$ , where  $T_1, \dots, T_n$  are torsion groups which are quasi-isomorphic to  $T$ . Moreover, if  $T(C) = T(A^n)$  then we can choose  $T_1 = \dots = T_n = T$ , hence  $C \cong A^n$ .*
- b) *If  $C$  is a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank  $n$  such that  $T(C) \cong T^n$  and  $\bar{C} \cong R^n$  then  $C \cong A^n$ .*

### 3. FINITELY $A$ -COGENERATED GROUPS

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. For a group  $C$  of finite torsion-free rank  $n$ , the following are equivalent:*

- a)  *$C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated and  $S(A)$  is quasi-contained in  $D(C)$ ;*
- b)  *$C = C' \oplus T$  with the following properties:*
  - i)  *$T$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated torsion group,*

- ii)  $OT(\overline{C}) \leq \text{type}(\overline{A})$ ,
- iii)  $C'$  a self-small group such that  $T_p(C') \leq T_p(A)^n$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , and  $T_p(C') \cong T_p(A)^n$  for almost all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ .

*Proof.*  $a) \Rightarrow b)$  Let  $U$  be a finite set of primes such that  $A(U)$  is standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. Moreover, we can choose  $U$  such that  $S(A(U)) \subseteq D(C)$ . Let  $m$  be a positive integer such that  $C \leq A^m$ . Since every  $p$ -component of  $C$  is finite, we can consider a similar direct decomposition  $C = T_U(C) \oplus C(U)$ . If  $\rho_U : A^m \rightarrow A(U)^m$  is the canonical projection then  $\text{Ker}(\rho_U) = T_U(A)^m$ , hence the restriction  $\rho_{U|C(U)} : C(U) \rightarrow A(U)$  is injective. Therefore, we can suppose that  $A$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1, and  $C \leq A^m$ , such that  $S(A) \subseteq D(C)$ .

Let  $p \in S(A)$ . We consider the direct decompositions  $A = T_p(A) \oplus A(p)$  and  $C = T_p(C) \oplus C(p)$ . Since  $A(p)$  is the maximal  $p$ -divisible subgroup of  $A$  and  $C(p)$  is  $p$ -divisible,  $C(p) \leq A(p)^n$ , and it follows that the canonical projection  $\pi_p^C : C \rightarrow T_p(C)$  is the restriction of the canonical projection  $\pi_p : A^m \rightarrow T_p(A^m)$  to  $C$ , hence  $\pi_p(C) \subseteq C$ .

We fix  $\langle c_1 \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle c_n \rangle$  a full free subgroup of  $C$ , and we complete it to a full free subgroup  $\langle c_1 \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle c_n \rangle \oplus \langle a_{n+1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle a_m \rangle$  of  $A^m$ . There exists a finite set  $W \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  such that for all  $p \notin W$  we have

$$T_p(A^m) = \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n), \pi_p(a_{n+1}), \dots, \pi_p(a_m) \rangle.$$

If  $p \notin W$ , since  $T_p(A^m) \cong \mathbb{Z}(p^{k_p})^m$  for some  $k_p$ , it follows that  $\langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}(p^{k_p})^n$ , and it is a direct summand of  $T_p(A^m)$ . But we just proved that  $\pi_p(c) \in C$  for all  $c \in C$ . Hence  $\langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$  is a direct summand of  $T_p(C)$ . For every  $p \notin W$  we denote by  $L_p$  a direct complement of  $\langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$  in  $T_p(C)$ .

Let  $L = (\bigoplus_{p \notin W} L_p) \oplus (\bigoplus_{p \in W} T_p(C))$ . We consider a direct decomposition  $C = (\bigoplus_{p \in W} T_p(C)) \oplus C_0$  and set  $C' = \{c \in C_0 \mid \forall p \in \mathbb{P} \pi_p(c) \in \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle\}$ . Of course  $C' \cap L = 0$ . Moreover, it is easy to see that  $T(C) = L \oplus T(C')$ . If  $c \in C$  is an infinite order element, then there exist integers  $k \neq 0, k_1, \dots, k_n$  such that  $kc = k_1c_1 + \cdots + k_nc_n$ . If  $p \notin W$  is a prime which is coprime with  $k$ , it is not hard to see that  $\pi_p(c) \in \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$ . If  $p \notin W$  is a divisor for  $k$  then we write  $\pi_p(c) = t_{1p} + t_{2p}$  with  $t_{1p} \in \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$  and  $t_{2p} \in L$ . Then  $c' = c - (\sum_{p|k, p \notin W} t_{2p}) - \sum_{p \in W} \pi_p(c) \in C'$ , hence  $L + C' = C$ , and  $C = L \oplus C'$ .

To close the proof, it is enough to show that  $C'$  is self-small. We consider the homomorphism  $\pi : C' \rightarrow \prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(C')$ , induced by the canonical projections  $\pi_p$  of  $C' = T_p(C') \oplus C'(p)$  onto its  $p$ -components. Then  $K = \text{Ker}(\pi) = \bigcap_{p \in S(A)} C'(p)$  is an  $S(A)$ -divisible subgroup of  $A^m$ : if  $x \in K, p \in S(A)$  and  $y \in C'(p)$  such that  $py = x$  (such an element  $y$  always exists since  $\overline{C}$  is  $p$ -divisible, hence  $C(p)$  is also  $p$ -divisible) then  $y \in C'(q)$  for all  $q \in S(A)$  since otherwise there exists  $q \in S(A)$  such that  $\pi_q(y) \neq 0$ , hence  $\pi_q(x) = p\pi_q(y) \neq 0$ , and  $x \notin C'(q)$ , a contradiction. But it is not hard to see, using the projection condition, that  $A^n$  has not non-trivial  $S(A)$ -divisible subgroups, hence  $\pi$  is a monomorphism. Then we can view  $C'$  as a subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(C')$ . By the construction  $C'$  satisfies the projection condition. Moreover,  $C'/T(C')$  is  $S(A)$ -divisible, hence  $C'/T(C')$  is an  $S(A)$ -pure subgroup of  $(\prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(C'))/T(C')$ , hence  $C'$  is  $S(A)$ -pure in  $\prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(C')$ . Using Theorem 2.2, we deduce that  $C'$  is self-small.

$b) \Rightarrow a)$  First, we observe that  $S(A)$  is quasi-contained in  $D(C)$  as a consequence of Corollary 2.5.

It is enough to suppose that  $C$  is a self-small group which satisfies the conditions ii) and iii). Let  $V$  be a finite set of primes such that  $A(V)$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 (which always exists), and  $U = \{p \in \mathbb{P} \mid T_p(C) \neq T_p(A)^n\} \cup V$ . Then  $U$  is a finite set, and if we consider direct decompositions  $A = T_U(A) \oplus A(U)$  and  $C = T_U(C) \oplus C(U)$ , we observe that  $C$  is  $A$ -cogenerated if and only if  $C(U)$  is  $A(U)$ -cogenerated. Therefore, we can suppose that  $A \cong A(T, R)$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $T_p(C) \cong T_p(A)^n$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ .

We consider the homomorphism  $\varphi : C \rightarrow \prod_p T_p(C)$  which is induced by the projections  $\pi_p : C \rightarrow T_p(C)$ ,  $p \in S(A)$ . If  $C' = \varphi(C)$  then  $T(C') = T(C)$ , and it follows that  $C'$  is a self-small group since  $\text{Hom}(C', T(C'))$  is a torsion group because it can be embedded in  $\text{Hom}(C, T(C))$ . Therefore, by Corollary 2.5 we have  $r_0(C) = n$ , and it follows that  $\varphi$  is injective, hence we can view  $C$  as a subgroup of  $\prod_p T_p(C)$ .

Let  $D$  be the group defined by the properties  $C \leq D \leq \prod_p T_p(C)$  and  $\bar{D} = D/T(C)$  is the pure hull of  $C/T(C)$  in  $(\prod_p T_p(C))/T(C)$ . Hence  $\bar{D}$  is torsion-free divisible of rank  $n$ , and using Proposition 2.11 we obtain  $D = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n D_i$  with  $D_i \cong A(T, \mathbb{Q})$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . We consider the canonical projection  $\pi_j : D \rightarrow D_j$  and we denote  $C_j = \pi_j(C) \leq D_j$ . Then  $C_j$  is a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C_j \cong A(T, X)$  with  $\text{type}(X) \leq OT(\bar{C})$  ( $X$  is a rank 1 epimorphic image of  $\bar{C}$ ). Since  $OT(\bar{C}) \leq \text{type}(\bar{A})$ , we obtain  $\text{type}(X) \leq \text{type}(\bar{A})$ , hence there exists a monomorphism  $\varphi_j : C_j \rightarrow A$ .

Therefore, for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exist homomorphisms  $\varphi_j \pi_j : C \rightarrow A$  with  $\text{Ker}(\varphi_j \pi_j) \leq \bigoplus_{i \neq j} D_i$ . The family  $\{\varphi_j \pi_j \mid j \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$  induces a homomorphism  $\varphi : C \rightarrow A^n$  which is monic, hence  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated.  $\square$

*Remark 3.2.* In the case  $A$  is torsion-free, the hypothesis  $C$  is  $A$ -cogenerated of finite rank implies  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated, [23, Proposition 3 and Lemma 2]. This is not the valid if  $A$  is a proper mixed group: Let  $A$  be the pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)a_p$  which is generated by  $\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)a_p$  and the element  $a = (a_p)_{p \in \mathbb{P}}$ . If  $C$  is the pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)a_p$  which is generated by  $\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)a_p$ ,  $a$  and  $b = ((p-1)a_p)_{p \in \mathbb{P}}$ , then it is obvious that  $C$  is an  $A$ -cogenerated self-small group of torsion-free rank 2 (by Theorem 2.2). Moreover  $D(A) = D(C) = S(C)$ , but  $C$  does not verify the condition b)iii) in Proposition 3.1.

From the proof of Proposition 3.1 we obtain more informations about finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups. The proof of b)  $\Rightarrow$  a) gives us the following

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C$  a self-small group of torsion-free rank  $n$  which verify b)ii) and b)iii) (or, equivalently, the condition a)). Then there exists an embedding  $0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow A^n$ .*

Using the proof of a)  $\Rightarrow$  b), we obtain

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. If  $C \leq A^n$  is a subgroup of torsion-free rank  $n$  such that  $\bar{C}$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$  then  $T_p(C) = T_p(A^n)$  for almost all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $C$  is self-small.*

*Proof.* From the proof of a)  $\Rightarrow$  b) we obtain  $T_p(C) = T_p(A^n)$  for almost all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ . Let  $B$  be a finite subgroup of  $A^n$  such that  $T(C+B) = T(A^n)$ . We observe

that it is enough to prove that  $C' = C + B$  is self-small, and we can suppose  $T(C) = T(A^n)$ . Therefore, we have an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow A^n \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$ , where  $X \cong \overline{A^n}/\overline{C}$  is a torsion group such that  $X_p = 0$  for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ . Moreover, if, for a prime  $p \in S(A)$ , the  $p$ -component  $X_p$  is non-zero, then  $X_p$  is a direct sum of a finite group and a divisible group. We obtain the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, T(A)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A^n, T(A)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, T(A)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}(X, T(A))$ . Since  $\text{Hom}(X, T(A))$  and  $\text{Ext}(X, T(A)) \cong \bigoplus_{p \in S(A), X_p \neq 0} \text{Ext}(X_p, T_p(A))$  are finite groups, the group  $\text{Hom}(C, T(A))$  is a torsion group, hence  $\text{Hom}(C, T(C)) \leq \text{Hom}(C, T(A))^n$  is a torsion group, and it follows that  $C$  is self-small.  $\square$

We close this section with a result about the group  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$ . Recall from [16, Example 6] that in general  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$  is not a self-small group for  $A$  and  $C$  self-small groups (even for the case  $A = C$ ). However, this is not the case for  $A$  of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C$  finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. Moreover, in this hypothesis, the embedding  $\Theta_{CA}$  from Proposition 2.6 is an isomorphism.

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C$  a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated self-small group of torsion-free rank  $m$ . The following statements are true.*

- a)  $C^* = \text{Hom}(C, A)$  is a self-small finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group of torsion-free rank  $m$ .
- b)  $T(C^*) = \text{Hom}(C, T(A))$ , and the natural homomorphism  $\Theta_{CA} : \overline{C^*} \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A})$  is an isomorphism.

*Proof.* a) Let  $C \leq A^n$ . If  $r_0(C) < n$  we can add to  $C$  a free subgroup  $F_0 \leq A^n$  such that  $C + F_0 = C \oplus F_0$  is of torsion free rank  $n$ , and we observe that  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$  is self-small of torsion-free rank  $m$  whenever  $\text{Hom}(C \oplus F_0, A) \cong \text{Hom}(C, A) \oplus A^{n-m}$  is self-small of torsion-free rank  $n$  since the class of self-small groups is closed with respect direct summands. Moreover,  $C \oplus F_0$  is self-small, hence we can suppose  $r_0(C) = n$ .

Let  $F = \langle c_1 \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle c_n \rangle$  be a full free subgroup of  $C$ . We claim that  $C/F$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ .

Since  $C$  is self-small,  $C/F$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(C)$ . Moreover,  $\langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle = T_p(A)^n \cong \mathbb{Z}(p^{k_p})^n$ , and we obtain  $\langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle = \langle \pi_p(c_1) \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$  for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ . If  $p$  is such a prime, then  $h_p(\pi_p(c_i)) = 0$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Therefore, if  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  then  $h_p(c_i) = 0$  for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ . Let

$$U = \{p \in S(A) \mid \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle = \langle \pi_p(c_1) \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle \pi_p(c_n) \rangle = T_p(A)^n\}.$$

Then  $U \doteq S(A)$  and  $h_p(c_i) = 0$  for all  $p \in U$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Let  $p \in U \setminus S(C)$  and suppose  $(C/F)_p \neq 0$ . There exists an element  $c \in C \setminus F$  with  $pc \in F$ , hence there exist integers  $l_1, \dots, l_n$  such that  $pc = l_1c_1 + \cdots + l_nc_n$ . Then  $1 \leq h_p(\pi_p(pc)) = h_p(\pi_p(l_1c_1 + \cdots + l_nc_n)) = \min\{h_p(\pi_p(l_1c_1)), \dots, h_p(\pi_p(l_nc_n))\}$ . This is possible only if  $p$  divides  $l_i$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Hence there exists  $c' \in F$  such that  $pc = pc'$ , and we obtain  $p \in S(C)$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $C/F = 0$  for all  $p \in U$ , and the claim is proved.

It follows that  $\text{Hom}(C/F, A)$  is bounded, hence the kernel of the natural homomorphism  $\varphi : \text{Hom}(C, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(F, A) \cong A^n$  is bounded. Moreover, since in the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A^n/C, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A^n, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, A)$  the first group is finite, we deduce that the group  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$  is of torsion-free rank  $n$ . Then

$C' = \text{Im}(\varphi) \cong \text{Hom}(C, A)/\text{Ker}(\varphi)$  is a subgroup of torsion-free rank  $n$  of  $A^n$  such that  $\overline{C}$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ . By Corollary 3.4,  $C'$  is self-small. Therefore,  $C^* = \text{Hom}(C, A)$  is self-small of torsion free rank  $n$ .

Moreover, there exists a direct decomposition  $C^* = T_V(C^*) \oplus C^*(V)$ , where  $V$  is a finite set of primes, such that  $\text{Ker}(\varphi) \leq T_V(C^*)$ , and it is not hard to observe that both  $T_V(C^*)$  and  $C^*(V) \leq C'$  are finitely  $A$ -cogenerated groups, hence  $C^*$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group.

b) Observe, by the proof of a), that if  $F$  is a full free subgroup of  $C$  then  $C/F$  is  $p$ -divisible for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ , and it follows that  $T(\text{Hom}(C, A)) = \text{Hom}(A, T(C))$ . Moreover, using a) we obtain  $r_0(C) = r_0(C^*) = r_0(\text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A}))$ , and the embedding  $\Theta_{CA} : \text{Hom}(A, C)/\text{Hom}(A, T(C)) \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A})$  is pure by Proposition 2.6. Therefore this embedding is an isomorphism.  $\square$

*Example 3.6.* In contrast with Warfield's result [23, Proposition 3], if  $A$  or  $C$  are a proper mixed groups the hypothesis  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$  is self-small of torsion-free rank  $n$  does not imply that  $C$  is (finitely-)  $A$ -cogenerated: If  $A = A(\oplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p), \mathbb{Q})$  and  $C = A(\oplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p^2), \mathbb{Q})$  are self-small mixed groups of torsion-free rank 1 then  $\text{Hom}(C, A) \cong A$  but  $C$  is not  $A$ -cogenerated.

**Corollary 3.7.** *Suppose that  $A$  is a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group.*

*Let  $\Phi : C^{**} \rightarrow \overline{C}^{**}$ , where  $\overline{C}^{**} = \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A}), \overline{A})$ , be the homomorphism defined by  $\Phi(f) : \alpha' \mapsto f(\Theta_{CA}^{-1}(\alpha')) + T(A)$  for all  $\alpha' \in \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A})$ . Then the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & T(C) & \longrightarrow & C & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \overline{C} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \nu & & \downarrow \nu_C & & \downarrow \nu'_C & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & T(C^{**}) & \longrightarrow & C^{**} & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & \overline{C}^{**} & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

*is commutative with exact sequences, where  $\nu'_C$  is the natural map,  $\nu$  is the restriction of  $\nu_C$  to  $T(C)$ , and  $\rho : C \rightarrow \overline{C}$  is the canonical epimorphism.*

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.5a),  $C^*$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. Let  $\pi : C^{**} \rightarrow \overline{C}^{**}$  be the canonical epimorphism. Then  $\Phi = \text{Hom}(\Theta_{CA}, \overline{A})\Theta_{C^*A}\pi$ , and using Proposition 3.5b) we observe that  $\text{Hom}(\Theta_{CA}, \overline{A})$  and  $\Theta_{C^*A}$  are isomorphisms. Hence  $\Phi$  is epic and  $\text{Ker}(\Phi) = T(C^{**})$ . Therefore, the diagram is with exact sequences and the left square is commutative.

In order to prove that the right square is commutative, let  $c \in C$ . Then  $\Phi\nu_C(c), \nu'_C\rho(c) : \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A}) \rightarrow \overline{A}$ , and  $\Phi\nu_C(c)(\alpha') = \nu_C(c)(\Theta_{CA}^{-1}(\alpha')) + T(A) = \Theta_{CA}^{-1}(\alpha')(c) + T(A) = \alpha'(c + T(A)) = \nu'_C(c + T(A))(\alpha')$  for all  $\alpha' \in \text{Hom}(\overline{C}, \overline{A})$ , hence  $\Phi\nu_C(c) = \nu'_C(c + T(A)) = \nu'_C\rho(c)$  for all  $c \in C$ , and the proof is complete.  $\square$

#### 4. $A$ - $W$ -REFLEXIVE GROUPS OF FINITE TORSION-FREE RANK

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. A finitely  $A$ -cogenerated torsion group  $T$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive if and only if  $T_p = 0$  for all primes  $p$  with  $T_p(A)$  non-cyclic.*

*Proof.* Consider a torsion group  $T \leq A^n$ , for some positive integer  $n$ . Since  $S(T) \subseteq S(A)$ , we can suppose  $T = \oplus_{p \in S(A)} T_p$ . We denote  $X_p = \text{Hom}(T_p, T_p(A))$ ,

and we observe that  $X_p$  is a finite  $p$ -group for all  $p$ . Moreover,  $\text{Hom}(T, A) = \text{Hom}(T, T(A)) \cong \prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p$ .

Let  $f : \text{Hom}(T, A) \rightarrow A$  be a group homomorphism. By Theorem 2.8, we can view  $A$  as an  $D(A)$ -pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(A)$  and  $f : \prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p \rightarrow \prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p(A)$ . Hence we can identify  $f = (f_p)$ , where  $f_p : X_p \rightarrow T_p(A)$  are group homomorphisms. Suppose that there exists  $x = (x_p) \in \prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p$  such that  $f(x)$  is of infinite order. Then  $f_p(x_p) \neq 0$  for infinitely many  $p \in S(A)$ . Let  $S = \{p \in S(A) \mid f_p(x_p) \neq 0\}$  and for every subset  $U \subseteq S$  we consider the element  $x^U = (x_p^U) \in \prod_{p \in S(A)} T_p$  with  $x_p^U = x_p$  if  $p \in U$  and  $x_p^U = 0$  if  $p \notin U$ . It is not hard to see that  $f(x^U) \neq f(x^V)$  whenever  $U, V \subseteq S$  with  $U \neq V$ . Then  $\text{Im}(f)$  is uncountable, hence  $\text{Im}(f) \not\subseteq A$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\text{Hom}(\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p, A) = \text{Hom}(\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p, T(A))$ . Since  $\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p$  is self-small by [8, Corollary 1.3] and [22, Corollary 1.8],  $\text{Hom}(\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p, \bigoplus_{p \in S(A)} T_p)$  is a torsion group by Lemma 2.1, hence the image of every homomorphism  $f : \prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p \rightarrow T(A)$  is finite. We have the isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(T, A), A) &\cong \text{Hom}\left(\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p, T(A)\right) \cong \\ &\bigoplus_{p \in S(A)} \text{Hom}\left(\prod_{p \in S(A)} X_p, T_p(A)\right) \cong \bigoplus_{p \in S(A)} \text{Hom}(X_p, T_p(A)) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $T$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive if and only if  $T_p$  is  $T_p(A)$ - $W$ -reflexive for all  $p$ . Using [17, Corollary 43.3], we observe that  $T$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive if and only if  $T_p = 0$  for all primes  $p$  with  $T_p(A)$  non-cyclic.  $\square$

The following result reduces the study of  $A$ -reflexive non-torsion groups to the case when  $A$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $U \subseteq S(A)$  the minimal set of primes such that  $A(U)$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. If  $C$  is a non-torsion finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group, the following are equivalent.*

- a)  $C$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive;
- b)
  - i)  $S(A) \subseteq D(A)$
  - ii)  $T_p(C) = 0$  for all  $p \in U$ , and
  - iii)  $C$  is  $A(U)$ - $W$ -reflexive.

*Proof.* a) $\Rightarrow$ b) Suppose that  $C \neq T(C)$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group which is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive. Then every  $p$ -component of  $C$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive, and using Theorem 4.1 we deduce  $T_p(C) = 0$  whenever  $T_p(A)$  is not a cyclic group. Suppose that there exists a prime  $p$  such that  $T_p(A) \neq 0$  and  $\bar{A}$  is not  $p$ -divisible. Then  $\bar{C}$  is not  $p$ -divisible (since  $\bar{C}$  is  $\bar{A}$ -cogenerated), and if we consider a direct decomposition  $C = T_p(C) \oplus C(p)$  then  $C(p)$  is a  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive group which is not  $p$ -divisible and whose  $p$ -component is 0. But, since  $C(p) \neq pC(p)$ ,  $\text{Hom}(C(p), T_p(A))$  is a non-zero bounded  $p$ -group, hence  $T_p(C(p)^{**}) \neq 0$ , a contradiction. Then  $S(A) \subseteq D(A)$ , and  $U$  is the set of primes  $p$  such that  $T_p(A)$  is not a cyclic group. Using again [17, Corollary 43.3] we deduce that ii) is valid.

Since  $U \subseteq S(A)$ ,  $\bar{A}$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in U$ . Then  $A(U)$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in U$ . Moreover  $C \cong C^{**}$ , and using ii) together with Corollary 2.7, we

deduce that  $C$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in U$ , hence  $\text{Hom}(C, A) = \text{Hom}(C, A(U))$  and  $\text{Hom}(C^*, A) = \text{Hom}(C^*, A(U))$ . Therefore  $C$  is  $A(U)$ - $W$ -reflexive.

b) $\Rightarrow$ a) As in the last part of the proof for a) $\Rightarrow$ b)  $C$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in U$  and  $C^{**} \cong \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(C, A(U)), A(U))$ .  $\square$

We have seen in Remark 3.2 that if  $A$  is a proper mixed group, a finite torsion-free rank self-small group which is  $A$ -cogenerated is not necessarily finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. This is not the case for  $A$ -reflexive groups.

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $A$  be a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. If  $C$  is an  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive self-small group of finite torsion-free rank, then*

- a)  $C^*$  is self-small;
- b)  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated.

*Proof.* a) Suppose that  $C^*$  is not a self-small group. Since every  $p$ -component of  $C^*$  is finite, it follows that  $\text{Hom}(C^*, T(C^*))$  is not a torsion group. But  $S(C^*) = S(C) \subseteq S(A)$ , hence  $\text{Hom}(C^*, T(A))$  is not a torsion group. Then  $\text{Hom}(C^*, T(A))$  is uncountable, hence  $C \cong C^{**}$  is uncountable, a contradiction.

b) If  $c \in C$  is an infinite order element then  $\nu_C(c)$  is also of infinite order. Moreover,  $\text{Hom}(C^*, T(A))$  is a torsion group, hence there exists  $f_c \in \text{Hom}(C, A)$  such that  $f_c(c) \notin T(A)$ .

Let  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in C$  be a maximal independent system of infinite order elements. By what we just proved, there exist  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in \text{Hom}(C, A)$  such that  $f_i(c_i) \notin T(A)$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $f : C \rightarrow A^n$  be the homomorphism induced by these homomorphisms. Then  $K = \text{Ker}(f) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Ker}(f_i)$  is a torsion group, and  $C' = C/K$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated self-small group of torsion-free rank  $n = r_0(C)$  such that  $\overline{C'}$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in S(A)$ . Using Corollary 3.4 we deduce that  $T_p(C') \cong T_p(A)^n$  for almost all  $p$ , hence  $T_p(C)/K_p \cong T_p(A)^n \cong \mathbb{Z}(p^{k_p})^n$  for almost all  $p$ . But  $T_p(C) = \langle \pi_p(c_1), \dots, \pi_p(c_n) \rangle$  for almost all  $p$ , as a consequence of Corollary 2.5 (here  $\pi_p : C \rightarrow T_p(C)$  is the canonical projection corresponding to the direct decomposition  $C = T_p(C) \oplus C(p)$ ). Moreover,  $\text{ord}(\pi_p(c_i)) \leq p^{k_p}$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Therefore  $|T_p(C)| \leq p^{nk_p}$ . It follows that  $K_p = 0$  (and  $T_p(C) \cong T_p(A)^n$ ) for almost all  $p$ . Hence  $K$  is a finite group, and it follows that it can be embedded in a finite direct summand  $T_U(C)$ , where  $U$  is a finite set of primes. Therefore  $C' \cong T_U(C)/K \oplus C(U)$ , and we obtain that  $C(U)$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. Moreover  $T_U(C)$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated, hence  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $A$  be a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. The following conditions are equivalent for a self-small group  $C$  of torsion-free rank  $n > 0$ :*

- a)  $C$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive;
- b)
  - i)  $T_p(C) = T_p(A)^n$  for almost all  $p \in S(A)$ ;
  - ii) If  $T_p(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}(p^{k_p})$  then  $p^{k_p}T_p(C) = 0$  for all primes  $p$ ;
  - iii)  $\overline{C}$  is  $\overline{A}$ - $W$ -reflexive.

*Proof.* a) $\Rightarrow$ b) By Lemma 4.3,  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. Hence i) and ii) follows from Proposition 3.1, and iii) is a consequence of Corollary 3.7.

b) $\Rightarrow$ a) Using Proposition 3.1 we deduce that  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated. Let  $p \in S(A)$ . Then  $A = T_p(C) \oplus C(p)$  with  $C(p)$  a  $p$ -divisible group with trivial  $p$ -component, and it is not hard to see that  $C^{**} = T_p(C)^{**} \oplus C^{**}(p)$ , where  $T_p(C)^{**} =$

$\text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(T_p(C), A), A) \cong T_p(C)$  and  $C^{**}(p) = \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(C(p), A), A)$  is a group with trivial  $p$ -component. Since every  $p$ -component of  $C$  is finite, the restriction  $\nu : T(C) \rightarrow T(C^*)$  of  $\nu_C$  to  $T(C)$  is an isomorphism. Using again the commutative diagram provided by Corollary 3.7, we obtain that  $\nu_C$  is an isomorphism, hence  $C$  is  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive.  $\square$

In the following example we will show that the previous characterization cannot be extended to the general case when  $A$  is of  $p$ -rank 1 for all primes  $p$ .

*Example 4.5.* Let  $A$  be the pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p$  which is generated by  $\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p$  and  $a = (px_p)$ . Then  $A$  is of  $p$ -rank 1 for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $A/T(A) \cong \mathbb{Q}$ . By Corollary 2.5,  $A$  is not self-small. Moreover, we consider  $C$  the pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)y_p$  which is generated by  $\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)y_p$  and the element  $c = (y_p)$ . Then  $C$  is a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1.

We claim that  $\text{Hom}(C, A) \cong C$ . In order to prove this we will use techniques developed in [5] and [18] for endomorphism rings. Applying the covariant functor  $\text{Hom}(-, A)$  to the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow T(C) \rightarrow C \rightarrow \overline{C} \rightarrow 0$ , we can view  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$  as a subgroup of  $\text{Hom}(T(C), T(A)) = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}(p)y_p, \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p) \cong \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)$ , since  $\overline{C}$  is divisible and  $A$  is reduced.

For every prime  $p$  we consider the homomorphism  $\varphi_p : \mathbb{Z}(p)y_p \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p$ ,  $\varphi(y_p) = px_p$ . Then we obtain a homomorphism  $\varphi = (\varphi_p) : \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)y_p \rightarrow \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p$  with  $\varphi(c) = a$  and  $\varphi(T(C)) \subseteq T(A)$ . If  $c' \in C$  is an infinite order element, then  $nc' = mc$  for some integers, hence  $n\varphi(c') = ma$ . Using [11, Exercise S 3.25], we obtain  $\varphi(c') \in A$ . Then  $\varphi(C) \subseteq A$ , hence we can consider  $\varphi$  as an element of  $\text{Hom}(C, A)$ . It follows that  $C^* = \text{Hom}(C, A)$  is of torsion-free rank 1. Moreover,  $\overline{C}^*$  is divisible by Lemma 2.6. Therefore  $C^* = \text{Hom}(C, A)$  is the pure subgroup of  $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}(p)y_p, \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p) \cong \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}(p)$  which is generated by  $\varphi$  and  $\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}(p)y_p, \mathbb{Z}(p^2)x_p)$ . Moreover,  $\varphi$  satisfies the projection condition described in Theorem 2.8 c). Then  $C^*$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $C^* \cong C$  as a consequence of Corollary 2.9.

## 5. $A$ - $\Delta$ -REFLEXIVE GROUPS

In this section we will prove that the study of  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive groups is reduced to the case when  $A$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1, and in this hypothesis  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive groups and  $A$ - $W$ -reflexive groups coincide.

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $A$  be a finite group. Then every finite group  $T$  which is  $A$ -cogenerated is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive.*

*Proof.* Observe that  $\Delta(T)$  is finitely generated as an  $\text{End}(A)$ -module. By [12, Lemma 4.2.2] there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow T \rightarrow A^n \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer which stays exact under  $\Delta$ . We obtain a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & T & \longrightarrow & A^n & \longrightarrow & B & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \delta_T & & \downarrow \delta_{A^n} & & \downarrow \delta_B & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \Delta^2(T) & \longrightarrow & \Delta^2(A^n) & \longrightarrow & \Delta^2(B) & & \end{array} .$$

Since  $\delta_{A^n}$  is an isomorphism and  $B$  is  $A$ -cogenerated, hence  $\delta_B$  is a monomorphism, it follows that  $\delta_T$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. If  $T$  is a finitely  $A$ -cogenerated torsion group then  $T$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive.*

*Proof.* By what we proved in Theorem 4.1,  $\Delta^2(T) \leq \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(T, A), A)$  is a torsion group and

$$\Delta^2(T) \cong \bigoplus_{p \in S(A)} \text{Hom}_E(X_p, T_p(A)) \cong \bigoplus_{p \in S(A)} \text{Hom}_{E(T_p(A))}(X_p, T_p(A)),$$

hence  $T$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive if and only if every  $p$ -component  $T_p$  is  $T_p(A)$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive, and this follows from Lemma 5.1.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.3.** *Let  $A$  be a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 with the endomorphism ring  $E$ . Then  $\text{Hom}_E(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M, N)$  for all left  $E$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$ .*

*Proof.* We note that the ring  $E$  is, as an abelian group, of torsion-free rank 1. Moreover, for all  $p \in S(A)$  the group  $A$  has a unique direct decomposition  $A = T_p(A) \oplus A(p)$ , where  $A(p)$  is a  $p$ -divisible group, hence  $E = T_p(E) \times E(p)$ , where  $T_p(E) = E(T_p(A))$  and  $E(p) = E(A(p))$ . Therefore, every  $p$ -component of  $E$  is cyclic and  $\bar{E}$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in S(A) = S(E)$ . Therefore, every left  $E$ -module  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = T_p(M) \times M(p)$ , where  $T_p(M)$  is an  $T_p(E)$ -module and  $M(p)$  is an  $E(p)$ -module. Since  $E(p)$  is  $p$ -divisible with trivial  $p$ -component,  $M(p)$  has the same properties (there exists an exact sequence  $E(p)^{(J)} \xrightarrow{f} E(p)^{(I)} \rightarrow M(p) \rightarrow 0$ , and  $\text{Im}(f)$  a  $p$ -pure subgroup of  $E(p)^{(I)}$  since  $E(p)^{(J)}$  is  $p$ -divisible).

Let  $M, N$  be left  $E$ -modules and let  $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -homomorphism. For every  $p \in S(A)$  the homomorphism  $\varphi$  induces a homomorphism  $\varphi_p : T_p(M) \rightarrow T_p(N)$ , which is a  $T_p(E)$ -homomorphism, hence an  $E$ -homomorphism. Therefore, the restriction  $\varphi_1 : T(M) \rightarrow T(N)$  of  $\varphi$  to  $T(M)$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism. Moreover,  $\bar{M}$  and  $\bar{N}$  are canonically  $\bar{E}$ -modules. Then the induced homomorphism  $\bar{\varphi} : \bar{M} \rightarrow \bar{N}$ ,  $\bar{\varphi}(m + T(M)) = \varphi(m) + T(N)$  is an  $\bar{E}$ -homomorphism, and it follows that  $\bar{\varphi}$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism.

To prove that  $\varphi$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism we consider  $\alpha \in E$  and  $x \in M$ . Since  $\bar{\varphi}$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism,  $\bar{\varphi}(\alpha(x + T(M))) = \alpha\bar{\varphi}(x + T(M))$ , hence  $\varphi(\alpha x) - \alpha\varphi(x) \in T(N)$ . Then there exists an integer  $k$  such that  $U = \{p \in \mathbb{P} \mid p \text{ divides } k\} \subseteq S(A)$  and  $k\varphi(\alpha x) - k\alpha\varphi(x) = 0$ . We consider direct decompositions  $M = T_U(M) \oplus M(U)$  and  $E = T_U(E) \times E(U)$ , and write  $x = x_U + x(U)$  with  $x_U \in T_U(M)$  and  $x(U) \in M(U)$ , respectively  $\alpha = \alpha_U + \alpha(U)$  with  $\alpha_U \in T_U(E) = E(T_U(A))$  and  $\alpha(U) \in E(U) = E(A(U))$ . Then  $\varphi(\alpha x(U)) = \alpha\varphi(x(U))$ . Moreover, since the restriction  $\varphi|_{T_U(M)} : T_U(M) \rightarrow T_U(M)$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism, we have  $\varphi(\alpha x_U) = \alpha\varphi(x_U)$ , and it follows that  $\varphi$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $A$  be a mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1 and  $U$  a finite set of primes such that  $A(U)$  is a standard mixed self-small group of torsion-free rank 1. A non-torsion finitely  $A$ -cogenerated group  $C$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive if and only if  $C(U)$  is  $A(U)$ - $W$ -reflexive.*

*Proof.* We consider direct decompositions  $A = T_U(A) \oplus A(U)$  and  $C = T_U(C) \oplus C(U)$ . By Theorem 5.2 and [25, 47.4(1)],  $C$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive if and only if  $C(U)$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive. Therefore we can suppose  $T_U(C) = 0$ . Moreover, we will assume

that  $D(C) = D(A)$  since in both hypotheses ( $C$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive or  $C$  is  $A(U)$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive) this property is valid, and by Proposition 3.1 we can suppose that  $C$  is a self-small group which satisfies the conditions b)i) and b)ii) of Theorem 4.4.

Suppose that  $C$  is  $A$ - $\Delta$ -reflexive. Observe that  $\delta_C = \iota_C \mu_C$ , where  $\iota_C : \Delta^2(C) \rightarrow C^{**}$  is the inclusion map, and  $\bar{E} = E(\bar{A})$  ( $E$  denotes the endomorphism ring of  $A$ ). Then we can replace the vertical arrows and the bottom row in the diagram provided by Corollary 3.7 such that we obtain the following commutative diagram with exact sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & T(C) & \longrightarrow & C & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \bar{C} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \delta_C & & \downarrow \delta'_C & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & T(\Delta^2(C)) & \longrightarrow & \Delta^2(C) & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & \Delta'^2(\bar{C}) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array},$$

where  $\Delta'$  denotes both covariant functors  $\text{Hom}(-, \bar{A})$  and  $\text{Hom}_{\bar{E}}(-, \bar{A})$ , and  $\delta'_C : \bar{C} \rightarrow \Delta'^2(\bar{C})$  is the canonical map. Then  $\bar{C}$  is  $\bar{A}$ - $W$ -reflexive, hence  $C$  is  $A(U)$ - $W$ -reflexive as a consequence of Theorem 4.4.

Conversely, suppose that  $C$  is  $A(U)$ - $W$ -reflexive. Let  $f : \text{Hom}(C, A) \rightarrow A$  be an  $E$ -homomorphism. We will look at  $f$  as a group homomorphism. Since  $\text{Hom}(C, A) = \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A)) \oplus \text{Hom}(C, A(U))$ , we can view  $f$  as a matrix  $f = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f_2 \\ 0 & f_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $f_1 : \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A)) \rightarrow T_U(A)$ ,  $f_2 : \text{Hom}(C, A(U)) \rightarrow T_U(A)$  and  $f_3 : \text{Hom}(C, A(U)) \rightarrow A(U)$ . It is not hard to see that  $f_3$  is an  $E(A(U))$ -homomorphism. Moreover, since  $f$  is an  $E$ -homomorphism,  $f(\varphi\alpha) = \varphi f(\alpha)$  for all  $\varphi \in E$  and all  $\alpha \in \text{Hom}(C, A)$ . We identify  $\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 & \varphi_2 \\ 0 & \varphi_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\varphi_1 : T_U(A) \rightarrow T_U(A)$ ,  $\varphi_2 : A(U) \rightarrow T_U(A)$ ,  $\varphi_3 : A(U) \rightarrow A(U)$ , and  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha_1 \in \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A))$  and  $\alpha_2 \in \text{Hom}(C, A(U))$ . For  $\varphi_1 = 1_{T_U(A)}$ ,  $\varphi_2 = 0$  and  $\varphi_3 = 0$  we obtain  $f_2 = 0$ .

We consider the homomorphism

$$\Phi : \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}(C, A), A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{E(A(U))}(\text{Hom}(C, A(U)), A(U)), \quad \Phi(f) = f_3,$$

and we claim that  $\Phi$  is monic.

To prove this claim we observe that there exists an exact sequence

$$(\star) \quad 0 \rightarrow C \xrightarrow{\mu} A(U)^n \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$$

which exists since  $C$  is finitely  $A$ -cogenerated and  $T_U(C) = 0$ . Moreover,  $\bar{C}$  is  $p$ -divisible for all  $p \in D(A)$ , and using Corollary 3.3, we can suppose  $n = r_0(C)$  in  $(\star)$ . In this hypothesis,  $X$  is a torsion group. If  $p \in U \cap D(A)$  then  $C$  is  $p$ -divisible, hence  $\mu$  is  $p$ -pure, and  $X_p = 0$ , and if  $p \in U \setminus D(A)$  the  $p$ -component  $T_p(X)$  is finite as a consequence of [6, Section 1]. Therefore  $X_U = \bigoplus_{p \in U} X_p$  is finite. Let  $\mu(C) \leq H \leq A(U)^n$  such that  $H/\mu(C) = X(U)$ . By Lemma 2.11 we deduce  $H \cong A(U)^n$  (since  $H$  is of finite index in  $A(U)^n$  and  $T(H) = T(A(U)^n)$ ). Therefore, we can choose the sequence  $(\star)$  such that  $X_U = 0$ . In this context, applying the contravariant functor  $\text{Hom}(-, T_U(A))$ , and using  $\text{Ext}(X, T_U(A)) = 0 = \text{Hom}(X, T_U(A))$  we deduce that

$$\text{Hom}(\mu, T_U(A)) : \text{Hom}(A(U)^n, T_U(A)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A))$$

is an isomorphism. We fix the  $n$ -uple  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) \in \text{Hom}(C, A(U))^n$  which is induced by  $\mu$  and the canonical projections  $A(U)^n \rightarrow A(U)$ . Therefore for every

homomorphism  $\beta \in \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A))$  there exists a unique  $n$ -uple  $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) \in \text{Hom}(A(U), T_U(A))^n$  such that  $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i \mu_i$ . We identify each  $\beta_i$  with the corresponding endomorphism of  $A$ :  $\beta_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta_i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\begin{pmatrix} f_1(\beta) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = f(\beta) = f(\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i \mu_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta_i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & 0 \\ 0 & f_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mu_i \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i f_3(\mu_i)$ . Therefore, for every  $f_3 \in \text{Hom}_{E(A(U))}(\text{Hom}(C, A(U)), A(U))$ , there exists a unique  $f_1 : \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A)) \rightarrow T_U(A)$  such that the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} f_1 & 0 \\ 0 & f_3 \end{pmatrix}$  represents an element from  $\text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}(C, A), A)$ , and the claim is proved.

Now we consider the canonical homomorphisms  $\delta_C : C \rightarrow \text{Hom}_E(\text{Hom}(C, A), A)$  and  $\delta'_C : C \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{E(A(U))}(\text{Hom}(C, A(U)), A(U))$ . To complete the proof it is enough to show  $\delta'_C = \Phi \delta_C$ . Let  $c \in C$ . Then  $\delta_C(c) : \text{Hom}(C, A) \rightarrow A$ ,  $\delta_C(c)(\alpha) = \alpha(c)$ . As in the beginning of the proof, we write  $\delta_C(c) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\delta_1 : \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A)) \rightarrow T_U(A)$ ,  $\delta_3 : \text{Hom}(C, A(U)) \rightarrow A(U)$ , and  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha_1 \in \text{Hom}(C, T_U(A))$  and  $\alpha_2 \in \text{Hom}(C, A(U))$ . Then  $\Phi \delta_C(c) = \delta_3 : \alpha_2 \mapsto \alpha_2(c)$  for all  $\alpha_2 \in \text{Hom}(C, A(U))$ , hence  $\delta'_C = \Phi \delta_C$ . Since  $\delta'_C$  is an isomorphism  $\Phi$  must be epic, hence  $\Phi$  is an isomorphism, and it follows that  $\delta_C$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

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