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## Module classes and the lifting property

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a ring. A collection of  $R$ -modules containing the zero module and closed under isomorphisms will be denoted by  $\mathcal{X}$ . An  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to be  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting if for every  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  there exists  $A \leq N$  such that  $M = A \oplus B$  and  $N \cap B$  is small in  $B$  [11]. In the present paper, we consider the question:

Can we characterize  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting modules via objects of the class  $\mathcal{X}$ ?

**Key Words:** Lifting module, torsion theory.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this work all rings will be associative with identity and modules will be unital right modules.

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be a *small* in  $M$ , denoted by  $N \ll M$ , whenever  $L \leq M$  and  $M = N + L$  then  $M = L$ , and  $M$  is said to be a *lifting module* (or  $D_1$ -module) if for any submodule  $N$  of  $M$  there exists  $A \leq N$  such that  $M = A \oplus B$  and  $N \cap B \ll B$ .

By a class  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $R$ -modules we mean a collection of  $R$ -modules containing the zero module and closed under isomorphisms, i.e., any module isomorphic to some module in  $\mathcal{X}$  also belongs to  $\mathcal{X}$ . By a  $\mathcal{X}$ -module we mean any member of  $\mathcal{X}$ , and a submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is called  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodule of  $M$  if  $N$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -module. Dođruöz and Smith [5] introduced the notion of  $\mathcal{X}$ -extending modules (see also [6] and [7]). Dually, Koşan and Harmanci [11] introduced  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting modules.  $M$  is said to be a  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module if for every  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$  there exists  $A \leq N$  such that  $M = A \oplus B$  and  $N \cap B \ll B$ .

- Example 1.1** (i) Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the class of all torsion  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules. Then the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module.  
(ii) Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the class of all torsion free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules. The zero submodule is the only small submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and for any non-zero submodules  $N$  and  $K$  with  $N + K = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N \cap K$  is not a small submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$  and so the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$  is not an  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module.  
(iii) Let  $\mathcal{X}$  denote the class of all finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules. Clearly,  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  are  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting modules.

(iv) Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the class of all torsion free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules and  $p$  any prime integer and  $M = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ . It is clear that from (ii) and [11, Lemma 2.3], the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $M$  is not  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting.

(v) Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\mathcal{X}$  denote the class of all injective  $R$ -modules. Then every  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting.

(vi) Let  $p$  be any prime integer and  $\mathcal{X}_1 = \mathcal{X}_2 = \{T \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} : pT = 0\}$  and  $M = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/p^3\mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $M_1 = (\overline{1}, \overline{0})\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N = (\overline{1}, \overline{p})\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N_1 = (\overline{0}, \overline{p^2})\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N = M_1 \oplus N_1$ . Then  $M_1$ ,  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are all  $\mathcal{X}_1$  and  $\mathcal{X}_2$  submodules of  $M$ ,  $M_1$  is a direct summand and  $N_1$  is small in  $M$ . By [11, Lemma 2.3],  $M$  is both  $\mathcal{X}_1$  and  $\mathcal{X}_2$ -lifting module.

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be classes of modules. We write  $\mathcal{X} \leq \mathcal{Y}$  in case every object of  $\mathcal{X}$  is in  $\mathcal{Y}$ .

**Lemma 1.2** ([11, Lemma 2.5]) *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be classes of modules with  $\mathcal{X} \leq \mathcal{Y}$ . Then every  $\mathcal{Y}$ -lifting module is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting.*

**Example 1.3** *Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{X \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} : 2X = 0\}$  and  $\mathcal{Y} = \{Y \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} : 4Y = 0\}$  and let  $M$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z})$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{X} \leq \mathcal{Y}$  and  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting but is not an  $\mathcal{Y}$ -lifting module.*

Let  $n$  be a positive integer and let  $\mathcal{X}_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$  be classes of  $R$ -modules. Classes of  $R$ -modules can be combined in different ways to give other classes and we examine how lifting property behave under these constructions. Then  $\oplus_{i=1}^n \mathcal{X}_i$  is defined to be the class of  $R$ -modules  $M$  such that  $M = \oplus_{i=1}^n M_i$  is direct sum of  $\mathcal{X}_i$ -submodules  $M_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ .

**Lemma 1.4** ([11, Theorem 2.7]) *With the above notation, an  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $(\oplus_{i=1}^n \mathcal{X}_i)$ -lifting if and only if  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}_i$ -lifting for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .*

**Example 1.5** *Let  $M$  denote the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $\mathcal{X}_1 = \{X \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} : 2X = 0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_2 = \{X \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} : 3X = 0\}$ . Then  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_2$  and  $\mathcal{X}_1 \oplus \mathcal{X}_2$ -lifting.*

In [11], a referee asked the following question: Can we characterize  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting modules via objects of the class  $\mathcal{X}$ ? In this article, we will give some answers to this question.

The terminologies and notations of Anderson and Fuller [3], and Mohamed and Müller [12] will be freely used.

## 2. The results

Recall that a projective module  $P$  is called a *projective cover* of a module  $M$  if there exists an epimorphism  $f : P \rightarrow M$  with  $\text{Ker}(f) \ll M$ . A right  $R$ -module is said to be a *perfect* if  $M$  possesses a projective cover. So a ring  $R$  is called *perfect* if every right  $R$ -module is perfect.

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be any class of perfect  $R$ -modules. Note that  $\mathcal{P}$  is closed under extensions. It is also easy to see that a module  $M$  is lifting if and only if  $M$  is Mod- $R$ -lifting.

**Proposition 2.1** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be any class of perfect  $R$ -modules. Then*

- (1)  *$R$  is semisimple if and only if  $\mathcal{P} = \{M : M \text{ is a semisimple module}\}$ .*
- (2) *If  $R$  is semisimple, then  $M$  is lifting if and only if  $M$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -lifting.*

**Proof.** Clear. □

Let  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$  denote the sum of  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodules of  $M$ .

**Lemma 2.2** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any class of  $R$ -modules and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.*

- (1) *If  $M$  does not contain any non-zero  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodule, i.e.  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = 0$ , then  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting.*
- (2) *Assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images and direct sums. If  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module then  $M$  is  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$ -lifting.*

**Proof.** (1) Obvious.

(2) Note that if  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under direct sums and homomorphic images, then  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{X}$ . Hence if  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting then  $M$  is  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M)$ -lifting by Lemma 1.2. □

**Proposition 2.3** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any class of  $R$ -modules and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.*

- (1)  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = \Sigma\{T_{\mathcal{X}}(N) : N \text{ is a } \mathcal{X}\text{-submodule of } M\}$ .
- (2) *Assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images and direct sums.*
  - (a) *For a homomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow N$ ,  $f(T_{\mathcal{X}}(M)) \leq T_{\mathcal{X}}(N)$ .*
  - (b) *Let a module  $M = \oplus_{i \in I} M_i$  be a direct sum of modules  $M_i$  for all  $i \in I$ . Then  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = \oplus_{i \in I} T_{\mathcal{X}}(M_i)$ .*

**Proof.** (1) See [11, Lemma 2.18].

(2)(a) See [11, Lemma 2.19].

(2)(b) See [11, Corollary 2.20]. □

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of right  $R$ -modules and  $M$  a right  $R$ -module. According to [3], the class of all modules generated by  $\mathcal{X}$  is denoted by  $\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X})$ . We denote  $\text{Tr}_M(\mathcal{X})$  the trace of  $\mathcal{X}$  in  $M$  is defined by  $\text{Tr}_M(\mathcal{X}) = \sum\{\text{Im } h \mid h : K \rightarrow M \text{ for some } K \in \mathcal{X}\}$ .

**Proposition 2.4** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any class of  $R$ -modules and  $M$  an  $R$ -module.*

- (1) *If  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images then  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = \text{Tr}_M(\mathcal{X})$ .*
- (2)  $\text{Tr}_M(\mathcal{X}) = \text{Tr}_M(\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X}))$ .

**Proof.** Clear. □

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the class of all torsion  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules and  $M$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Since the zero submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the only  $\mathcal{X}$ -submodule of  $M$ , i.e.  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = 0$ . By Lemma 2.2, the module  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting.

**Theorem 2.5** *Assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images and direct sums. If an  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting then  $M$  is  $\text{Tr}_M(\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X}))$ -lifting.*

**Proof.** By Lemma 1.2 and Propositions 2.3. and 2.4. □

If  $\mathcal{X}$  is a class of modules such that  $\text{Hom}_R(X, M) = 0$  for all  $X \in \mathcal{X}$  then we shall write  $\text{Hom}_R(\mathcal{X}, M) = 0$ . The class of all  $R$ -modules  $M$  with  $\text{Ext}_R(\mathcal{X}, M) = 0$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{X}^\perp$ . This is usually called the right *orthogonal complement* relative to the functor  $\text{Ext}_R(-, -)$  of the class  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**Lemma 2.6** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ , then  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) \neq 0$ . Then we have split exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow U \rightarrow U/M \rightarrow 0$ , where  $U \leq E(M)$ ,  $M \leq U$  and  $U/M \in \mathcal{X}$ . This implies that  $M$  is essential in  $U$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.7** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of  $R$ -modules and let  $M$  be a nonzero  $R$ -module. If  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ , then  $E(M)/M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module.*

**Proof.** By Lemmas 1.2 and 2.6.  $\square$

Note that if  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images, then the converse of Lemma 2.6 is true because  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$  if and only if every  $X$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  is projective with respect to the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow E(M) \rightarrow E(M)/M \rightarrow 0$ . But we do not know the converse of Proposition 2.7 is true or not.

To find a positive answer, we may need an answer to the following question.

**Question** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any class of  $R$ -modules and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Assume that  $M$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting. Is  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = 0$ ?

**Proposition 2.8** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of right  $R$ -modules and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If every nonzero cyclic singular module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$  if and only if  $M$  is injective.*

**Proof.** Assume that every nonzero cyclic singular module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then, for any nonzero singular module  $X$ ,  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(X) \neq 0$ . Let  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ . If  $M$  is not injective, then  $E(M)/M$  is a nonzero singular module and  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) = 0$  by Lemma 2.6. This is a contradiction. So  $M$  is injective. The converse is clear.  $\square$

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\mathcal{I}$  denote the class of all injective  $R$ -modules.

**Theorem 2.9** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of right  $R$ -modules and  $M$  be a right  $R$ -module. Assume that every nonzero cyclic singular module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ . If  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ , then the following cases hold.*

- (1)  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -lifting module.
- (2)  $E(M)/M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module.

**Proof.** (1) By Proposition 2.8 and Example 1.1(v).

(2) By Propositions 2.7 and 2.8.  $\square$

When  $\mathcal{F}$  is the class of all flat right  $R$ -modules, then the modules of the class  $\mathcal{F}^\perp$  are called *cotorsion modules* ([15]).

**Lemma 2.10** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}^\perp)$  a cotorsion theory. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\mathcal{X} = \text{Mod-}R$ .
- (2) Every nonzero cyclic singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero cyclic submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .
- (3) Every nonzero cyclic singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .
- (4) Every nonzero singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2)  $\implies$  (3)  $\implies$  (4) Clear.

(4)  $\implies$  (1) By Proposition 2.8. □

Now we have the following theorem as a result of Lemma 2.10.

**Theorem 2.11** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}^\perp)$  be a cotorsion theory. If one of the following conditions satisfies, then any  $R$ -module is lifting if and only if any  $R$ -module is  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting:*

- (1) *Every nonzero cyclic singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero cyclic submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*
- (2) *Every nonzero cyclic singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*
- (3) *Every nonzero singular  $R$ -module has a nonzero submodule in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*

**Proof.** Clear. □

**Lemma 2.12** *Assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under taking homomorphic images and  $M$  is an  $R$ -module. If  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{X}$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$  if and only if  $M$  is an injective module.*

**Proof.**  $\implies$  Let  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ . By Lemma 2.6, we have  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) = 0$ . Since  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under homomorphic images, then  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) = E(M)/M$ , i.e.,  $M = E(M)$  is injective.

$\Leftarrow$ : Clear. □

Now we have the following corollary as a result of Theorem 2.9 and Lemma 2.12.

**Corollary 2.13** *Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of  $R$ -modules closed under taking homomorphic images,  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{X}$  and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$ , then the following cases hold.*

- (1)  *$M$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -lifting module.*
- (2)  *$M$  is a  $T_{\mathcal{I}}(M)$ -lifting module.*
- (3)  *$M$  is a  $Tr_M(\mathcal{I})$ -lifting module.*
- (4)  *$M$  is a  $Tr_M(\text{Gen}(\mathcal{I}))$ -lifting module.*
- (5)  *$E(M)/M$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -lifting module.*
- (6)  *$E(M)/M$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -lifting module.*

**Lemma 2.14** *Let  $R$  be a ring.*

(1) *Assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is a class of  $R$ -modules which is closed under taking homomorphic images. Then  $\mathcal{X}^\perp = (\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X}))^\perp$ .*

(2) *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the class of all cyclic  $R$ -modules. Then  $\mathcal{C}^\perp = (\text{Gen}(\mathcal{C}))^\perp = (\text{Mod} - R)^\perp$ .*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. By Proposition 2.4 and Lemma 2.6, we can obtain that  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(M) = \text{Tr}_M(\mathcal{X}) = \text{Tr}_M(\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X})) = T_{\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X})}(M)$ . This implies that  $M \in \mathcal{X}^\perp$  if and only if  $T_{\mathcal{X}}(E(M)/M) = 0$  if and only if  $T_{\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X})}(E(M)/M) = 0$  if and only if  $M \in (\text{Gen}(\mathcal{X}))^\perp$  by Lemma 2.6.

(2) is clear from (1). □

**Example 2.15** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\mathcal{I}$  denote the class of all injective  $R$ -modules. Then every  $R$ -module  $M$*

is  $\mathcal{I}$ -lifting by Example 1.1(v) . Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the class of all cyclic right  $R$ -modules. By Lemma 2.14, we have  $\mathcal{C}^\perp = (\text{Gen}(\mathcal{C}))^\perp = (\text{Mod} - R)^\perp$ , i.e., Baer Criterion. So every  $R$ -module  $M$  is  $\mathcal{C}$ -lifting by Lemma 2.12 and Corollary 2.13.

### 3. $\tau$ -lifting modules

Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory. Then  $\tau$  is uniquely determined by its associated class  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\tau$ -torsion modules  $\mathcal{T} = \{M \in \text{Mod} - R \mid \tau(M) = M\}$  where for an  $R$ -module  $M$ ,  $\tau(M) = \{\sum N \mid N \leq M, N \in \mathcal{T}\}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is referred to as the  $\tau$ -torsion free class and  $\mathcal{F} = \{M \in \text{Mod} - R \mid \tau(M) = 0\}$ . A module in  $\mathcal{T}$  (or  $\mathcal{F}$ ) is called a  $\tau$ -torsion module (or  $\tau$ -torsionfree). Every torsion class  $\mathcal{T}$  determines in every module  $M$  a unique maximal  $\mathcal{T}$ -submodule  $\tau(M)$ , the  $\tau$ -torsion submodule of  $M$ , and  $\tau(M/\tau(M)) = 0$ , i.e.,  $M/\tau(M)$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -module and  $\tau$ -torsionfree.

In what follows  $\tau$  will represent a hereditary torsion theory, that is, if  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  then the class  $\mathcal{T}$  is closed under taking submodules, direct sums, images and extensions by short exact sequences, equivalently the class  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under taking submodules, direct products, injective hulls and isomorphic copies. Hence, the class  $\mathcal{F}$  is not, in general, closed under taking homomorphic images, if this happens to be true for a torsion theory  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$ , it is called that  $\tau$  is *cohereditary*.

Recall that module  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -lifting if for any  $\tau$ -torsion free submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , there exists a direct summand  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $K \leq N$  and  $N/K \ll M/K$  ([9] and [10]).

Note that

- (1) Every lifting module is  $\tau$ -lifting,
- (2) If  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module such that every proper submodule of  $M$  is contained in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then then  $M$  is a lifting module,
- (3) If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -torsion, then  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.
- (4) Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  denote the ring of integers and consider the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $M = N \oplus (U/V)$ , where  $N = \mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$  and the submodules  $U = 2\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$  and  $V = 4\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$  of  $N$ . Let  $\bar{0}$  and  $\bar{2}$  denote the element of  $U/V$ . Let  $\tau := (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  denoted the torsion theory on  $\text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\mathcal{F} = \{K \in \text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z} \mid \forall 0 \neq Y \subseteq K, \exists y \in Y \text{ such that for all positive integer } t \text{ we have } 3^t y \neq 0\}$ . If  $N_1 = (\bar{1}, \bar{2})\mathbb{Z}, N_2 = (\bar{2}, \bar{0})\mathbb{Z}, N_3 = (\bar{2}, \bar{2})\mathbb{Z}, N_4 = (\bar{1}, \bar{0})\mathbb{Z}, N_5 = (\bar{4}, \bar{0})\mathbb{Z}, N_6 = (\bar{4}, \bar{2})\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $N_1, N_2, N_3$  and  $N_4$  are  $\tau$ -torsion free submodules of  $M$ , where  $N_1, N_4$  are direct summands of  $M$ ,  $N_2 \ll M, M = N_1 + N_3, N_5 = N_1 \cap N_3, N_5 \ll M$  and  $M = N_1 \oplus N_6$ . It is easily checked that  $N_3$  is neither small in  $M$  nor has any nonzero submodule which is direct summand of  $M$ . Hence  $M$  is not  $\tau$ -lifting.

Let  $(\mathcal{L}, \leq, 0, 1)$  be a modular lattice,  $\tau$  be a hereditary torsion theory and  $M$  an  $R$ -module. We write

$$\text{Sat}_\tau(M) = \{N \leq M : M/N \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

by [14]. If  $a \in \mathcal{L}$ , then  $b \in \mathcal{L}$  is said to be a *complement* of  $a$  (in  $\mathcal{L}$ ), if  $a \vee b = 1$  and  $a \wedge b = 0$ . If for each  $a \in \mathcal{L}$ , there exists  $b \in \mathcal{L}$  such that  $b \leq a$ ,  $b \vee b' = 1$  and  $b \wedge b' = 0$  and  $a \wedge b$  is small in  $M$  holds then  $\mathcal{L}$  is said to be *lifting-lattice*. If  $\text{Sat}_\tau(M)$  is lifting-lattice, we say  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module.

**Proposition 3.1** *Sat $_\tau(M)$  is a complete upper-continuous modular lattice and if  $N$  is a  $\tau$ -dense submodule of  $M$ , then there is a canonical bijection between  $\text{Sat}_\tau(M)$  and  $\text{Sat}_\tau(N)$  given by  $A \longrightarrow A \cap N$  where  $A \in \text{Sat}_\tau(M)$*

and this bijection is a lattice isomorphism.

**Proof.** A submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is  $\tau$ -dense in  $M$  if and only if  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion.  $(Sat_\tau(M), \leq, 0, 1)$  is endowed the operations:

$\leq$  : the inclusion operation of submodules of  $M$ ,

$A \wedge B = A \cap B$ , where  $A, B \in Sat_\tau(M)$ ,

$A \vee B = \widetilde{A+B}$ , where  $A, B \in Sat_\tau(M)$  and  $\widetilde{A+B}$  denotes the largest submodule of  $M$  satisfying  $\widetilde{A+B}/(A+B) \in \mathcal{T}$ , equivalently  $\widetilde{A+B}/(A+B) = \tau(M/(A+B))$ .

$1 = M$  and  $0 = \tau(M)$ .

Hence the proof is clear from [14]. □

**Proposition 3.2** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $\tau(M) = 0$  and  $\tau(M/N) = M/N$  for every proper submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , then  $M$  is indecomposable.*

**Proof.** Clear. □

**Corollary 3.3** *Let  $M$  be a non indecomposable  $R$ -module. Then  $Sat_\tau(M)$  contains elements other than 0 and 1.*

**Proof.** Clear from Example 1.1. □

**Lemma 3.4** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module.*

(1)  *$M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting if and only if every submodule  $M'$  of  $M$  can be written as  $M' = X \oplus Y$  with  $X$  is a summand of  $M$  and  $\tau(Y) = 0$ .*

(2) *Every submodule of a  $\tau$ -lifting module is  $\tau$ -lifting.*

**Proof.** Trivial. □

Recall that  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -cotorsionfree if every proper submodule of  $M$  contains no  $\tau$ -dense submodule.

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $M$  be a  $\tau$ -cotorsionfree  $R$ -module.*

(1) *Any  $\tau$ -torsion submodule of  $M$  is small in  $M$ .*

(2) *If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting, then  $M$  is indecomposable if and only if  $M$  is hollow.*

(3) *If every proper submodule of  $M$  is  $\tau$ -torsion, then  $M$  is indecomposable.*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $N$  be a submodule of  $M$  with  $\tau(N) = N$ . Let  $M = N + K$  for some submodule  $K \leq M$ . Then  $M/K \cong N/(N \cap K)$ . Since  $N$  is a  $\tau$ -torsion submodule of  $M$ ,  $N/N \cap K$  and so  $M/K$  is  $\tau$ -torsion. But  $M$  is  $\tau$ -cotorsionfree, therefore  $M = K$ . Hence  $N$  is small in  $M$ .

(2) Assume that  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module. Suppose that  $M$  is indecomposable. For  $N \leq M$ , we have two cases:

Case (i) If  $\tau(M/N) = 0$ , then  $M/N \in \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = A \oplus B$  such that  $A \leq N$  and  $N \cap B \ll B$ . Since  $M$  is indecomposable, we have  $M = A$  or  $M = B$ . If  $M = A$  then  $M = N$ ; otherwise  $M = B$  then  $N \ll M$ . Therefore  $M$  is hollow.

Case (ii) Let  $\tau(M/N) = M_1/N \neq 0$ . Then  $\tau(M/M_1) = 0$  and  $M/M_1 \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module,  $M$



has a decomposition  $M = A \oplus B$  such that  $A \leq M_1$  and  $M_1 \cap B \ll B$ . By assumption,  $M = A$  or  $M = B$ . If  $M = A$  then  $M = M_1$  and  $\tau(M/N) = M/N$ . By [8, Proposition 7.6], we have  $M = N$ . If  $M = B$  then  $N \ll M$ . That is  $M$  is hollow. The converse is clear.

(3) Clear. □

Recall that  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -semisimple if  $N \in \text{Sat}_\tau(M)$  is a direct summand of  $M$  [14]. Clearly, if  $M$  is  $\tau$ -semisimple, then  $M$  is  $\tau$ -lifting.

In [13] (or [8]),  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -complemented (or  $\tau$ -direct) if for every submodule  $N$  of  $M$  there exists a direct summand  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $K/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion.

Theorem 3.6 is clear from [13] and definitions.

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

1.  $M$  is  $\tau$ -semisimple.
2.  $M = \tau(M) \oplus P$  for some  $\tau$ -torsion free submodule  $P$ .
3.  $M$  is  $\tau$ -complemented.

**Proposition 3.7** *Let  $M$  be a  $\tau$ -semisimple  $R$ -module. Then*

- (1)  $M = \tau(M) \oplus K$  for some submodule  $K$  of  $M$ .
- (2) If  $\tau$  is a cohereditary torsion theory, then  $\text{Rad}(M) \leq \tau(M)$ .
- (3) For every  $\tau$ -dense submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , i.e  $M/N \in \mathcal{T}$ ,  $M = \tau(M) + N$ .
- (4) If  $M$  is  $\tau$ -cotorsion free, then  $\text{Rad}(M) \leq \tau(M)$ .

**Proof.** (1) Clear.

(2) Let  $L$  be a small submodule of  $M$ . By assumption,  $M/(L + \tau(M)) = 0$ . By hypothesis, let  $M = (L + \tau(M)) \oplus X$  for some submodule  $X$  of  $M$ . Thus  $L \leq \tau(M)$ .

(3) Let  $N$  be a  $\tau$ -dense submodule of  $M$ . As in the proof of (2), we can find a decomposition  $M = (N + \tau(M)) \oplus Y$  for some submodule  $Y$  of  $M$ . It is easy to see that that  $Y$  is isomorphic to a submodule of  $M/N$ . Since  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion and  $Y$  is  $\tau$ -torsion free, we have  $Y = 0$ .

(4) This is Theorem 3.5 (1). □

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any class of modules. The class  $d\mathcal{X}$  consists of all modules  $M$  such that, for every submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , there exists a direct summand  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $N \leq K$  and  $K/N$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -module. Dually,  $d^*\mathcal{X}$  is defined to be the class of  $R$ -modules  $M$  such that each submodule  $N$  of  $M$  contains a direct summand  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $N/K$  is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -module. Properties of these classes are given in [2].

**Definition 3.8** Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  a torsion theory and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. We call  $M$  a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module, if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$  (see [4] for more general cases).

**Examples 3.9 (i)** *Every simple module with respect to every  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  torsion theory is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module.*

**(ii)** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{Z}})$  be a torsion theory on  $\text{Mod-}\mathbb{Z}$  and  $M_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ . Let  $N = 2\mathbb{Z} \leq M$ .  $M$  has only two direct summands which are  $(0)$  and  $M$ . Also every nonzero submodule of  $M$  is  $\tau$ -torsion but, for any  $0 \neq N$ ,  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsionfree. If  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$ , we have  $N = A$  or  $N = B$ . It is a contradiction. Hence  $M_{\mathbb{Z}}$  is not a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module.*

Let  $R$  be a ring. Let  $\mathcal{S}$  denote the class of simple  $R$ -modules. Then  $T_{\mathcal{S}}(M)$  is the usual socle of  $M$  and is denoted simply by  $Soc(M)$ .

**Proposition 3.10** *If  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting  $R$ -module, then  $M/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$  is semisimple.*

**Proof.** Any submodule of  $M/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$  has the form  $N/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$  for some submodule  $N$  of  $M$  which contains  $T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$ . Since  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$  lifting module, the module  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A \leq_d M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $M = A \oplus C$  for some submodule  $C$  of  $M$ . Then,  $M/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M) = N/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M) \oplus (C + T_{\mathcal{F}}(M))/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$ . By [3, Theorem 9.6],  $M$  is a semisimple module.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.11** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory such that  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $M$  be a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting  $R$ -module. Then  $T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$  is an essential submodule of  $M$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $N$  be any submodule of  $M$  with  $N \cap T_{\mathcal{F}}(M) = 0$ . Then  $N$  embeds in  $M/T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$ . By Proposition 3.7, we have  $N \in \mathcal{S}$ . By hypothesis,  $N \leq T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$ . Hence  $N = 0$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $T_{\mathcal{F}}(M)$  is an essential submodule of  $M$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory. Let  $M$  be a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting  $R$ -module. Then  $\tau(M)$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . In general, every  $\tau$ -torsion submodule of  $M$  is a direct summand.*

**Proof.** Let  $N$  be any submodule of  $M$  with  $\tau(N) = N$ . Then  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $\tau(N) = N$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have  $B = 0$ . Therefore  $N = A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.13** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory such that  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $M$  be a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting  $R$ -module. Then  $\tau(M)$  is a semisimple direct summand of  $M$ . In particular,  $\tau(M) \leq Soc(M)$ .*

**Theorem 3.14** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that  $\tau(M) = 0$ . If  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module then  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module.*

**Proof.** Let  $N \leq M$ . Since  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -lifting module, by Lemma 3.4,  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $\tau(B) = 0$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under submodules, then  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ . Hence  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$  lifting module.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.15** *Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that  $\tau(M) = M$ . Then  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$  lifting module if and only if  $M$  is semisimple.*

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be a module with  $\tau(M) = M$  and  $M$  be a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module. Let  $N \leq M$ . Then  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $\tau(M) = M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have  $B = 0$ . Hence  $N = A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . By [3, Theorem 9.6],  $M$  is semisimple. Converse is clear.  $\square$

**Example 3.16** Let  $F$  be a field and  $R$  be the subring  $R = \begin{pmatrix} F & F \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$  of all 3 by 3 matrices over  $F$ . Let  $M$  denote right  $R$ -module  $R$ . Clearly, every module over  $R$  is lifting. With respect to the idempotent ideals:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} F & F \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & F \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$$

1. Let  $\mathcal{T}_X = \{M \in \text{Mod} - R : MX = 0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{T}_X(M) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & F \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module, by Corollary 3.13, then  $\mathcal{T}_X(M)$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . But  $\mathcal{T}_X(R_R)$  is not a direct summand of  $M$ , so  $M$  is not a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module.

2. Let  $\mathcal{T}_Y = \{M \in \text{Mod} - R : MY = 0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{T}_Y(M) = 0$ . Since  $M$  is a lifting module, then  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module by Theorem 3.15.

Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory. In definition 3.8, we defined  $d^*\mathcal{F}$ -lifting module with respect to the  $d^*\mathcal{F}$  class. Similarly, we can define  $d^*\mathcal{T}$ -lifting module with respect to the  $d^*\mathcal{T}$  class (see [4] for more generally cases).

**Definition 3.17** Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  a torsion theory and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. We call  $M$  a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$ -lifting module, if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{T}$ .

**Examples 3.18** (i) Every semisimple module with respect to a  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  torsion theory is a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$ -lifting module.

(ii) Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{Z}})$  be a torsion theory on  $\text{Mod} - \mathbb{Z}$  and  $M_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ . Clearly,  $N \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  if and only if for all  $0 \neq n \in N$  there exists a  $0 \neq t \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $nt = 0$ . Hence, for any submodule  $A$  of  $M$ ,  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$  lifting module since  $A = A \oplus (0)$ .

**Theorem 3.19** Let  $\tau = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F})$  be a torsion theory and  $M$  be an  $R$ -module such that  $\tau(M) = 0$ . Then  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$  lifting module if and only if  $M$  is semisimple.

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$  lifting module and  $\tau(M) = 0$ . Let  $N \leq M$ . Then  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{T}$ . Since  $B = \tau(B) \leq \tau(M) = 0$ , we have  $N = A$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . The converse is clear. □

**Theorem 3.20** If  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$  lifting  $R$ -module, then  $M/\tau(M)$  is semisimple.

**Proof.** Let  $\tau(M) \leq N \leq M$ . Since  $M$  is a  $d^*\mathcal{T}$ -lifting module,  $N$  has a decomposition  $N = A \oplus B$  such that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $B \in \mathcal{T}$ . Let  $M = A \oplus C$  for some submodule  $C$  of  $M$ . Then  $M/\tau(M) = (A + \tau(M))/\tau(M) \oplus (C + \tau(M))/\tau(M)$  by [3, Theorem 9.6]. □

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