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## ON LIFTING PROPERTY ON DIRECT SUMS OF HOLLOW MODULES

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Following E. Mares [12] and H. Bass [2] we shall first consider a semi-perfect module  $P$  over a ring  $R$ . One of the important properties of  $P$  is the lifting property as follows: Let  $P/J(P) = \sum_I \oplus K_\alpha$  be a decomposition of  $P/J(P)$ , then there exists a decomposition of  $P: P = \sum_I \oplus P_\alpha$  such that  $\varphi(P_\alpha) = K_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in I$ , where  $J(P)$  is the Jacobson radical of  $P$  and  $\varphi$  is the natural epimorphism of  $P$  onto  $P/J(P)$ . In case the module is injective, we have studied irredundant sum of indecomposable injective modules and the lifting property of decomposition over a perfect ring satisfying a certain condition in [7].

In this note we shall generalize those properties over an arbitrary ring. In order to do so, it is quite natural to take a module  $M_\alpha$  such that  $M_\alpha/J(M_\alpha)$  is a simple module instead of  $P_\alpha$ , namely a hollow module [3]. For a direct sum of hollow modules  $M$  we shall give some characterizations of the lifting property of simple module and of decomposition of  $M$  (see the definition in §1). Finally, we shall give characterizations of artinian rings with lifting property (namely, generalized uniserial ring and semi-simple ring). We shall study the dual property -the extending property- of simple module in [8].

### 1. Definitions

Throughout this paper we consider a ring  $R$  with identity and we assume every module  $M$  is a unitary right  $R$ -module. We shall denote the Jacobson radical of  $M$  by  $J(M)$ .

Let  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be a set of submodules of  $M$ . If  $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$  and  $M \neq \sum_J M_\beta$  for any proper subset  $J$  of  $I$ , we call  $\sum_I M_\alpha$  be an *irredundant sum* [7]. If  $\sum_K M_\gamma$  is a direct summand of  $M$  for every finite subset  $K$  of  $I$ , we say  $\sum_I M_\alpha$  be a *locally direct summand* of  $M$  [9]. We denote the natural epimorphism of  $M$  onto  $M/J(M)$  by  $\varphi$ . If there exists a direct summand  $M_\alpha$  of  $M$  such that  $\varphi(M_\alpha) = A_\alpha$  for each simple submodule  $A_\alpha$  of  $M/J(M)$ , then we say  $M$  have the *lifting property of simple module*.

Now,  $A_\alpha \approx M_\alpha/N_\alpha$  and  $N_\alpha \supset J(M_\alpha)$ . In this paper we are interested in modules such that  $N_\alpha = J(M_\alpha)$  and  $N_\alpha$  is small in  $M_\alpha$ . In this case  $M_\alpha$  is cyclic and  $M_\alpha \approx R/A'_\alpha$ , where  $A'_\alpha$  is a right ideal of  $R$  and  $A'_\alpha$  is contained in a unique maximal right ideal. We call such a module *cyclic hollow module* [3]. Furthermore, we only consider modules  $M$  which are direct sums of cyclic hollow modules  $M_\alpha$ . Let  $M = \sum_I \oplus M_\alpha$ . Then  $\varphi_M|N = \varphi_N$  for every direct summand  $N$  of  $M$  and  $\varphi|K = \varphi_K$  for a cyclic hollow submodule  $K$  with  $K \not\subset J(M)$ . If  $\varphi(M_\alpha) \neq 0$  for all  $\alpha$  and  $\sum_I \varphi(M_\alpha) = \sum_I \oplus \varphi(M_\alpha)$ , we say  $\sum_I M_\alpha$  be a *direct sum modulo*  $J(M)$ . Finally, if for any decomposition  $\varphi(M) = \sum_I \oplus A_\alpha$  with  $A_\alpha$  simple, there exists a decomposition  $M = \sum_I \oplus M_\alpha$  of  $M$  such that  $\varphi(N_\alpha) = A_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha$ , then we say  $M$  have the *lifting property of decomposition*. We shall denote  $\varphi(M)$  by  $\bar{M}$  if there are no confusions.

Here we shall give some remarks on hollow modules. Let  $N$  be an  $R$ -module. If  $\text{End}_R(N)$  is a local ring, we say  $N$  *completely indecomposable*. We do not know whether a cyclic hollow module is completely indecomposable or not (cf. [3] and [6]). In this note we are interested in completely indecomposable and cyclic hollow modules. If  $R$  is a commutative, every cyclic hollow module  $N$  is completely indecomposable, since every epimorphism of  $N$  onto itself is isomorphic. We shall consider the above property.

(E-I) *Every epimorphism of  $N$  onto itself is isomorphic.*

REMARKS. 1. If  $N$  is noetherian,  $N$  satisfies (E-I).

2. If  $R$  is directly finite i.e.  $xy=1$  implies  $yx=1$  and  $R/A$  is hollow for a two-sided ideal  $A$ ,  $R/A$  satisfies (E-I).

3. Let  $R$  be a right perfect ring. Then every indecomposable and quasi-projective module is a hollow module satisfying (E-I) (see §3).

We note that if a hollow module  $N$  satisfies (E-I),  $N$  is completely indecomposable. Let  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be a set of hollow modules satisfying (E-I). We define a partial order  $\succ$  in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ . If  $M_\alpha \approx M_\beta$ , we put  $M_\alpha \equiv M_\beta$ . If there exists an epimorphism  $f$  of  $M_\alpha$  onto  $M_\beta$ , we put  $M_\alpha \succ M_\beta$ . We know from (E-I) that  $\succ$  and  $\equiv$  define a partial order in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ . Let  $M_1 \succ M_2$ , then  $\bar{M}_1 \approx \bar{M}_2$ . If every element in  $\text{Hom}_R(\bar{M}_1, \bar{M}_2)$  is induced by some element in  $\text{Hom}_R(M_1, M_2)$ , then we say  $\text{Hom}_R(\bar{M}_1, \bar{M}_2)$  be *induced from*  $\text{Hom}_R(M_1, M_2)$ .

## 2. Lifting property

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $J=J(R)$ .

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  a set of cyclic hollow submodules of  $M$  such that  $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$ . Then  $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$  is an irredundant sum of  $M$*

if  $\varphi(M) = \sum_I \oplus \varphi(M_\alpha)$  and  $\varphi(M_\alpha) \neq 0$  for all  $\alpha$ . If  $J(M)$  is small in  $M$ , the converse is valid.

Proof. It is clear.

First we give a proposition concerning with (E-I).

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $\{M_i\}_1^n$  be a finite set of cyclic hollow modules with (E-I). We assume if  $f: M_i \rightarrow M_j$  is epimorphic,  $f$  is isomorphic for any pair  $i$  and  $j$ . Then  $M = \sum \oplus M_i$  satisfies (E-I).*

Proof. We can express any element of  $\text{End}_R(M)$  by a matrix  $(f_{ij})$ , where  $f_{ij} \in \text{Hom}_R(M_j, M_i)$ . Let  $M = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^{p(i)} \oplus M_{ij}$ , where  $M_{ij} \approx M_{i1}$  and  $M_{i1} \approx M_{i'1}$  if  $i \neq i'$ . Then  $(f_{ij})$  is regarded as a block matrix  $(f_{ij,kt})$ . Let  $F$  be an epimorphism of  $M$  and  $F = (f_{ij})$ . We shall show one  $f_{ij}$  among  $f_{ik}$ ,  $k=1, 2, \dots, n$ , is isomorphic. Since  $F$  is epimorphic,  $M_i = \sum_j f_{ij}(M_j)$ . However,  $M_i$  is hollow and so  $M_i = f_{ij}(M_j)$  for some  $j$ . Hence,  $f_{ij}$  is isomorphic by the assumption. Since  $M_{ij} \approx M_{i1}$ , we may assume  $M_{ij} = M_{i1}$  for all  $j$  and matrix units  $e_{ij,ik}$  are elements in  $\text{End}_R(M)$ . Using those remarks and fundamental transformations of matrices, we know there exist regular matrices  $P_1, Q_1$  such that

$$P_1 F Q_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & F_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad F_2 \in \text{End}_R(\sum_{i \geq 2} \oplus M_i).$$

Noting that  $F_2$  is epimorphic, and repeating those arguments, we get regular matrices  $P, Q$  such that  $PFQ = I_M$ . Hence,  $F$  is isomorphic.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be a set of completely indecomposable and cyclic hollow modules and  $M = \sum_I \oplus M_\alpha$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- 1) *Every direct sum modulo  $J(M)$  of indecomposable direct summands of  $M$  is a direct sum (and a locally direct summand of  $M$ ).*
- 2) *If there exists an epimorphism  $f$  of  $M_\alpha$  to  $M_\beta$  for any pair  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $I$ , then  $f$  is isomorphic.*

Proof. 1)  $\rightarrow$  2). We assume there exists an epimorphism  $f$  of  $M_\alpha$  onto  $M_\beta$  and  $\ker f \neq 0$ . We put  $M'_\alpha = \{x + f(x) \mid x \in M_\alpha\} \subset M_\alpha \oplus M_\beta \subset M$ . Then  $M_\alpha \oplus M_\beta = M'_\alpha \oplus M_\beta$  and  $M'_\alpha + M_\alpha$  is a direct sum modulo  $J(M)$  and hence,  $M'_\alpha + M_\alpha = M'_\alpha \oplus M_\alpha$  by 1). However,  $M'_\alpha \cap M_\alpha = \ker f \neq 0$ .

2)  $\rightarrow$  1). We note first that if  $M_\alpha \approx M_\beta$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$ ,  $M_\alpha$  satisfies (E-I) by the assumption. Let  $\sum_J N_\alpha$  be a direct sum modulo  $J(M)$  of indecomposable direct summands  $N_\alpha$  of  $M$ . Let  $K = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a finite subset of  $J$  and put  $N(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n N_i$ . We shall show by the induction on  $n$  that  $N(n)$  is a direct summand

of  $M$  and  $N(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus N_i$ . If  $n=1$ , it is clear by the assumption. We assume  $M = N(n-1) \oplus M'$  and  $N(n-1) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \oplus N_i$ . Since  $N_n$  is a direct summand of  $M$ ,  $N_n$  is isomorphic to some one  $M_{\gamma_1}$  in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  and  $M' = \sum_{I'} \oplus M'_\beta$  by [1], where  $I' = I - K$  and  $M'_\beta$  is isomorphic to some  $M_{\rho(\beta)}$  in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ . Furthermore, since  $N_n$  has the exchange property in  $M$  by [1] and [4], either  $M = N_n \oplus \sum_{j \neq k} \oplus N_j \oplus M'$  for some  $k$  or  $M = N_n \oplus N(n-1) \oplus \sum_{I' - \delta} \oplus M'_\beta$  for some  $\delta$ . We have proved our assertion in the latter case. In the former case  $N_n \approx N_k \approx M_{\eta(k)}$ . Let  $\pi_\beta$  be the projection of  $M = N(n-1) \oplus \sum_{I'} \oplus M'_\beta$  onto  $M'_\beta$ . Since  $\varphi(N_n) \not\subset \varphi(N(n-1))$ ,  $\pi_\gamma|N_n$  is epimorphic for some  $\gamma$ . If  $\eta(k) \neq \rho(\gamma)$ ,  $\pi_\gamma|N_n$  is isomorphic by 2). If  $\eta(k) = \rho(\gamma)$ ,  $M$  contains a direct summand  $N_k \oplus M'_\gamma$  such that  $N_n \approx N_k \approx M'_\gamma$ . Hence,  $N_n$  satisfies (E-I) by 2) and [1]. In either case  $\pi_\gamma|N_n$  is isomorphic. Accordingly,  $M = N_n \oplus \ker \pi_\gamma = N_n \oplus N(n-1) \oplus \sum_{I' - \gamma} \oplus M'_\beta = N(n) \oplus \sum_{I' - \gamma} \oplus M'_\beta$ .

**Theorem 1'.** *Let  $M$  and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be as above. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- 1) *Every direct sum modulo  $J(M)$  of indecomposable direct summands is a direct sum and a direct summand of  $M$ .*
- 2)  *$\{M_\alpha\}_I$  is a semi-T-nilpotent set [4] and if there exists an epimorphism  $f$  of  $M_\alpha$  to  $M_\beta$  for any pair  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $I$ , then  $f$  is isomorphic.*

Proof. 1)→2). Let  $\{f_i: M_{\alpha_i} \rightarrow M_{\alpha_{i+1}}\}$  be a set of non-isomorphic homomorphisms. Then every  $f_i$  is not epimorphic by Theorem 1. Hence,  $f_i(M_{\alpha_i}) \subset J(M_{\alpha_{i+1}})$ . We put  $M'_{\alpha_i} = \{x + f_i(x) \mid x \in M_{\alpha_i}\}$  and  $M' = M'_{\alpha_1} \oplus M'_{\alpha_2} \oplus \dots \oplus M'_{\alpha_n} \oplus \dots$ . Then  $\varphi(M'_{\alpha_i}) = \varphi(M_{\alpha_i})$  and so  $M'$  is a direct sum modulo  $J(M)$ . Hence,  $M'$  is a direct summand of  $M$  by 1). Therefore,  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  is a semi-T-nilpotent set by [4]. The remaining parts are clear by Theorem 1. 2)→1). It is clear from Theorem 1 and [4], [9] and [10].

REMARK 4. If  $J(M)$  is small in  $M$ ,  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  is a semi-T-nilpotent set by [5] when 2) in Theorem 1 is satisfied.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $M$  and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be as in Theorem 1. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- 1)  *$M$  has the lifting property of simple module.*
- 2) *For any pair  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $I$  such that  $\bar{M}_\alpha \approx \bar{M}_\beta$  and any isomorphism  $f$  of  $\bar{M}_\alpha$  onto  $\bar{M}_\beta$ , there exists an epimorphism  $g$  of either  $M_\alpha$  onto  $M_\beta$  or  $M_\beta$  onto  $M_\alpha$  such that  $\bar{g} = f$  or  $\bar{g} = f^{-1}$ .*

Proof. 1)→2). Let  $M_1, M_2$  be two elements in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ . We assume  $\bar{M}_1 \approx \bar{M}_2$ . Let  $f \in \text{Hom}_R(\bar{M}_1, \bar{M}_2)$  and we put  $K = \{x + f(x) \mid x \in M_1\} \subset \bar{M}_1 \oplus \bar{M}_2$ .

Since  $M$  has the lifting property, there exists a decomposition  $M=M'_1\oplus M'$  such that  $\varphi(M'_1)=K$ . Let  $x$  be in  $M'_1$  and  $x=\sum x_i; x_i\in M_i$ . Then since  $x=\sum \bar{x}_i\in K, \bar{x}_2=f(\bar{x}_1)$  and  $\bar{x}_1\neq 0$  for some  $x$ . Let  $\pi'_i: M\rightarrow M_i$  be the projection. Then  $\pi'_i|_{M'_1}$  is epimorphic for  $i=1, 2$ .  $M'_1$  is isomorphic to some in  $\{M_\alpha\}$  and

$M=M'_1\oplus(M_1\oplus\overset{i}{\dots}\oplus M_n\oplus\dots)$  by the exchange property of  $M'_1$  by [1], where  $\overset{i}{\dots}$  means the  $i$ -th component is omitted. If  $i$  were neither 1 nor 2,  $\varphi(M'_1)\cap(\bar{M}_1\oplus\bar{M}_2)=0$ . Hence,  $i=1$  or 2. Thus, we obtain  $M=M'_1\oplus M_2\oplus M_3\oplus\dots$  or  $M=M'_1\oplus M_1\oplus M_3\oplus\dots$ . In the former case, let  $\pi_i$  be the projection of  $M$  onto  $M_i$  ( $\pi_i: M\rightarrow M'_1$ ) and  $m_1=\sum \pi_i(m_1)$  for  $m_1\in M_1$ . Then  $\bar{m}_1=\sum \pi_i(m_1)=\bar{m}'_1+(f(\bar{m}'_1)+\pi_1(\bar{m}_2))+\sum_{i\geq 3}\pi_i(m_i); m'_1\in M_1$ . Hence,  $\bar{m}_1=\bar{m}'_1, f(\bar{m}'_1)=-\pi_2(\bar{m}_1)$  and  $\sum_{i\geq 3}\pi_i(m_i)=0$ . Accordingly,  $-(\pi_2|M_1)\in\text{Hom}_R(M_2, M_1)$  and  $f$  is induced from  $-(\pi_2|M_1)$ . In the latter case,  $K=\{f^{-1}(\bar{y})+\bar{y}|\bar{y}\in M_2\}$  and we know that  $-(\pi_1|M_2)$  induces  $f^{-1}$  as above.

2) $\rightarrow$ 1). Let  $A$  be a simple submodule of  $\bar{M}$ . Let  $n$  be the minimal integer among  $m$  such that  $A\subseteq\sum_{i=1}^m\bar{M}_{\alpha_i}$ . Put  $M_{\alpha_i}=M_i$  and let  $\bar{\pi}_i$  be the projection of  $\sum_{i=1}^m\bar{M}_i$  onto  $\bar{M}_i$ . Then  $\bar{\pi}_i|_A$  is isomorphic and  $A=\{\bar{m}_1+f_2(\bar{m}_1)+\dots+f_n(m_1)|m_1\in M_1, f_i=(\bar{\pi}_i|_A)(\bar{\pi}_1|_A)^{-1}\}$ . We consider a set  $\{(\bar{M}_i, \bar{M}_j), g_{ji}=f_jf_i^{-1}\}_{i\neq j}$ . Then from 2) there exists either  $h_{ji}\in\text{Hom}_R(M_i, M_j)$  or  $h_{ij}\in\text{Hom}_R(M_j, M_i)$  such that  $\bar{h}_{ji}=g_{ji}$  or  $\bar{h}_{ij}=g_{ij}$ . In the former case (resp. the latter case) we denote  $M_i\succcurlyeq M_j$  (resp.  $M_i\prec M_j$ ). We can easily see by the induction and the fact  $g_{ij}g_{jk}=g_{ik}$  that there exists a maximal one among  $M_i$ 's with respect to the relation  $\succcurlyeq$ , say  $M_t$ . Then  $A=\{g_{1t}(\bar{m}_1)+\dots+g_{t-1t}(\bar{m}_1)+\bar{m}_t+\dots+g_{nt}(\bar{m}_1)|m_t\in M_t\}$ . Hence, we may assume  $t=1$ . Now from the construction above, there exist  $g_j\in\text{Hom}_R(M_1, M_j)$  such that  $g_j=f_j$  for all  $j$ . Put  $M'_1=\{m_1+g_2(m_1)+\dots+g_n(m_1)|m_1\in M_1\}\subset M_1\oplus M_2\oplus\dots\oplus M_n$ . Then  $M'_1\oplus M_2\oplus\dots\oplus M_n=M_1\oplus\dots\oplus M_n$  and  $\bar{M}'_1=\{\bar{m}_1+g_2(\bar{m}_1)+\dots+g_n(\bar{m}_1)\}=A$ .

**Corollary.** Let  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  and  $M$  be as above. We assume each  $M_\alpha$  satisfies (E-I). Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- 1)  $M$  has the lifting property of simple module.
- 2) In the subset  $\{M_i\}$  of  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  such that  $\bar{M}_j\approx\bar{M}_1$ , the relation  $\succcurlyeq$  is linear and  $\text{Hom}_R(\bar{M}_\alpha, \bar{M}_\beta)$  is induced from  $\text{Hom}_R(M_\alpha, M_\beta)$  for any pair  $M_\alpha\succcurlyeq M_\beta$ .

The following theorem is a generalization on the lifting property of perfect modules.

**Theorem 3.<sup>1)</sup>** Let  $M$  and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be as in Theorem 1. Then the following

- 1) If each  $M_\alpha$  satisfies (E-I), then 1) and 2) are equivalent to the fact that  $M$  has the lifting property of decomposition and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  is semi- $T$ -nilpotent (see [8], corollary 20).

conditions are equivalent.

- 1)  $M$  has the lifting property of simple module and for any direct sum modulo  $J(M)$  of indecomposable direct summands is a direct sum and a direct summand of  $M$ .
- 2) For any pair  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $I$   $\text{Hom}_R(\bar{M}_\alpha, \bar{M}_\beta)$  is induced from  $\text{Hom}_R(M_\alpha, M_\beta)$  and any epimorphism of  $M_\alpha$  onto  $M_\beta$  is isomorphic and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  is a semi- $T$ -nilpotent set.

In this case  $M$  has the lifting property of decomposition.

Proof. It is clear from Theorems 1, 1' and 2.

Finally, we shall give some characterizations of artinian rings with lifting property.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $R$  be a right artinian ring. Then the following conditions 1), 2) and 3), 4) are equivalent, respectively.*

- 1)  $R$  is right generalized uniserial [13].
- 2) Every direct sum of hollow modules has the lifting property of simple module.
- 3)  $R$  is semi-simple.
- 4) Every direct sum of hollow modules has the lifting property of decomposition.

Proof. 1) $\rightarrow$ 2). Every hollow module is of forms  $eR/eJ^t$ , where  $e$  is a primitive idempotent. Hence,  $M$  has the lifting property of simple module by Theorem 2.

2) $\rightarrow$ 1). Let  $e$  be a primitive idempotent. We take two right ideals  $eA_i$ ,  $i=1, 2$  such that  $eJ^t \supseteq eA_i \supseteq eJ^{t+1}$  and  $eA_i/eJ^{t+1}$  is simple. Since the length of composition series of  $eR/eA_1$  is equal to one of  $eR/eA_2$ ,  $eR/eA_1 \approx eR/eA_2$  by Theorem 2. Let  $\theta$  be any element in  $\text{End}_R(eR/eJ)$ . Then  $\theta$  is given by the left multiplication of a regular element  $x$  in  $eRe$ .  $\theta$  is also extended to an element in  $\text{Hom}_R(eR/eA_1, eR/eA_2)$  by Theorem 2. This homomorphism is given by the left multiplication of  $x+j$ , where  $j \in eJe$ . Hence,  $(x+j)eA_1 = eA_2$ . Since  $jeA_1 \subset eJeJ^t \subset eA_2$ ,  $xeA_1 \subset eA_2$  and so  $xeA_1 = eA_2$ .  $e$  is a regular element in  $eRe$ . Hence  $eA_1 = eeA_1 = eA_2$ . Thus, we have shown  $eJ^t/eJ^{t+1}$  is simple and so  $R$  is right generalized uniserial.

3) $\rightarrow$ 4). It is clear.

4) $\rightarrow$ 3). Let  $e$  be a primitive idempotent. We consider  $M = eR/eJ \oplus eR$ . Then  $M/J(M) = eR/eJ \oplus eR/eJ$  and we put  $A_1 = \{x+x \mid x \in eR/eJ\}$  and  $A_2 = \{o+x \mid x \in eR/eJ\}$ . Then  $\bar{M} = A_1 \oplus A_2$ . Since  $M$  has the lifting property of decomposition, there exists a decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  such that  $\bar{M}_i = A_i$ . It is clear  $M_2 = 0 \oplus eR$  and so  $M_1 \approx eR/eJ$  is simple. Hence,  $\bar{M}_1 = A_1$  implies that  $eR$  is simple. Therefore,  $R$  is semi-simple.

REMARK 5. If  $M = J(M)$ , we may understand  $M$  has the lifting property

of simple module. Then the above theorems are valid for a direct sum of completely indecomposable hollow modules if we put some restrictions on the conditions in the theorems. Let  $R$  be a commutative Dedekind domain. Then every hollow module is isomorphic to one of  $R/p^n$ ,  $R$  (if  $R$  is local) and  $E(R/p^n)$  and  $Q$  (if  $R$  is local) by [6], where  $p$  is prime and  $Q$  is the quotient field of  $R$ . Since  $J(E(R/p^n))=E(R/p^n)$  and  $J(Q)=Q$ ,  $R$  satisfies Theorem 4, 2), however  $R$  is not generalized uni-serial.

Let  $M$  be as in Theorem 1. Then every direct summand  $N$  of  $M$  with  $N/J(N)$  simple is a completely indecomposable (and cyclic hollow) module. Hence, every lifted direct summand from simple module is as above. Let  $T$  be an  $R$ -module and  $T/J(T)$  semi-simple. We assume that for any simple submodule  $A$  of  $T/J(T)$  there exists a direct summand  $T_1$  of  $T$  such that  $\bar{T}_1=A$  and  $T_1$  is a completely indecomposable.

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $T$  be the  $R$ -module as above. Then every direct summand of  $T$  has the same property.*

Proof. Let  $T = T_1 \oplus T_2$  and  $A \subset \bar{T} = T_1/J(T_1)$ . Then there exists a completely indecomposable direct summand  $N_1$  of  $T$  such that  $\bar{N}_1 = A$ . Since  $N_1$  has the exchange property by [14],  $T = N_1 \oplus T_1' \oplus T_2$  and  $T_1 = T_1' \oplus T_1''$  (see the proof of Theorem 2). Now  $N_1 \approx T_1'' = T_1 \subset (N_1 \oplus T_2)$  and  $T_1''/J(T_1'')$  is simple. Let  $\bar{t}''$  be a generator of  $\bar{T}''$  and  $t'' = n_1 + t_2$ ;  $n_1 \in N_1$  and  $t_2 \in T_2$ . Since  $\bar{n}_1 \in A \subset \bar{T}_1$ ,  $\bar{t}_2 = 0$ . Hence,  $A = \bar{n}_1 R = \bar{t}'' R = \bar{T}_1''$ .

**Corollary.** *Let  $T$  be as above. We assume  $T/J(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus A_i$ ; the  $A_i$  is simple. Then  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus T_i \oplus S$  whith  $\bar{T}_i$  simple and  $\bar{S} = \bar{0}$ .*

Proof. We can prove it by the proposition and the induction on  $n$ .

### 3. Corollaries

We shall study some special cases.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $M$  and  $\{M_\alpha\}$  be as in Theorem 1. If  $M$  satisfies the equivalent conditions in Theorems 1, 2 or 3, then every direct summand of  $M$  satisfies the same condition.*

Proof. Since each  $M_\alpha$  is cyclic, every direct summand of  $M$  is a direct sum of indecomposable modules which are isomorphic to some in  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  by [14]. Hence, we have the corollary.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $M$  and  $\{M_\alpha\}_I$  be as above. We assume  $J(M)$  is small. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*



- 1) Every irredundant sum of indecomposable direct summands of  $M$  is a direct sum.
- 2) If there exists an epimorphism  $f$  of  $M_\alpha$  onto  $M_\beta$ ,  $f$  is isomorphic for any pair  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $I$ .

Proof. It is clear from Lemma 1, Remark 4 and Theorem 1' and the proof of Theorem 1.

**Corollary 3.<sup>2)</sup>** Let  $R$  be a right perfect ring. Then every quasi-projective module  $Q$  [11] is isomorphic to  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_j \oplus e_i R / e_i A_{ij}$ . Then  $Q$  has the lifting property of simple module if and only if  $\{e_i A_{ij}\}$  is linear with respect to the inclusion for each  $i$ .  $Q$  has the lifting property of decomposition if and only if  $e_i A_{ij} = e_i A_{ik}$  for each  $i$ , where the  $e_i$  is primitive,  $e_i R \cong e_j R$  if  $i \neq j$  and the  $e_i A_{ij}$  is the right ideal such that  $e_i R e_i A_{ij} \subset e_i A_{ij}$ .

Proof. Every quasi-projective module  $Q$  is of a form  $P/K$ , where  $P$  is projective and  $K$  a character submodule in  $P$  which is contained in  $PJ$  by [11]. Since  $P \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (e_i R)^{I_i}$ ,  $Q$  is a direct sum of  $e_i R / e_i A_{ij}$  with  $e_i R e_i A_{ij} \subset e_i A_{ij}$ . Hence, noting  $\text{Hom}_R(e_i R / e_i A_{ij}, e_i R / e_i A_{ij'})$  is given by some elements in  $e_i R e_i$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(e_i R / e_i J, e_i R / e_i J) \approx e_i R e_i / e_i J e_i$ , we have the corollary from Theorems 2 and 3 and Remark 4.

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