Let $C$ be an abelian category with exact direct limits, namely cocomplete $C_3$-category ([5], p. 83).

In this note we always assume that $C$ contains a generator $U$, and hence $C$ is locally small by [5], p. 71. In [2], Gabriel and Popesco have given a characterization of $U$ being projective and small by using the concept of localization in [1]. We shall give another proof without localization in the section 1.

In the section 2, we shall define a function $\varphi$ of $C$ into itself, which is analogous to the radical of semi-primary ring.

We shall show that $C$ has such a function when the endomorphism ring $[U, U]$ is a semi-primary ring, and we shall give some criteria by means of $\varphi$ that $U$ is small and projective.

In the section 3, we shall add some remarks in the previous author’s work on category of tri-angular matrices, [4].

In this note we shall freely make use of concepts in categories from [5].

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1. Preliminary results

In this section we shall summarize all results which we need in the following sections.

Almost all results in this section have been proved in [2] and [6] by using the concepts of localization in [1]. However, we shall give here another approach to them by means of rather homological method.

Let $C$ be an abelian cocomplete $C_3$-category ([5], p. 81) and $U$ an object of $C$. Let $A=[U, U]$. By mod $A$ we mean the category of $A$-right modules. Let $T: C \rightarrow \text{mod } A$; $T(V)=[U, V]$ for any $V \in C$ be the functor of $C$ into mod $A$. In this case we can define a coadjoint $S$ of $T$ such that $S(M)=M \otimes_A U$ by [5], p. 143, namely $\eta: [M, T(V)] \approx [S(M), V]_C$. Furthermore, we have natural transformations $\psi_V: ST(V) \rightarrow V$ and $\varphi_M: M \rightarrow TS(M)$, (see[5], pp 118-119).

Theorem 0 (Gabriel and Popesco [2]). Let $C, U$ and $A$ be as above. Then the following statements are equivalent:

1) $U$ is a generator.
2) \( T \) is a completely faithful (namely, full and faithful).
3) \( \psi_V \) is isomorphic for all \( V \in C \) and \( S \) is an exact functor.

Proof. 1)\( \rightarrow \)2). See [2] or [5] in which we do not need the concept of localization.
3)\( \rightarrow \)2). \([ST(V), V']\approx[T(V), T(V')]\) and \([ST(V), V']\approx[V, V']\) for \( V, V' \in C \).
2)\( \rightarrow \)3). \([ST(V), V']\approx[T(V), T(V')]\approx[V, V']\). Hence, \([ST(V), ] \) and \([V, \] \) give the equivalent functors. Therefore, \( \psi_V=\eta^{-1}\alpha^{-1}I_V \) is isomorphic.

Thus, it remains to show that \( S \) is exact. First, we show that if \( M \in \text{mod } A \) is contained in a free module \( F \), then \( 0 \rightarrow S(M) \rightarrow S(F) \) is exact. In order that, we assume first that \( M \) is finitely generated, say \( M=(m_1, m_2, \cdots, m_n) \) and hence we may assume that \( F \) is also finitely generated. Then we have a commutative diagram

\[
0 \xleftarrow{f} M \xleftarrow{i} \sum_{i=1}^{n} A\psi_{\iota_{i}} \xleftarrow{\kappa} A = \sum_{k \in k} A\omega_{k}.
\]

where \( u_{a_{i}}, v_{\iota_{i}} \) and \( w_{k} \) are free bases and \( i \) is the inclusion map, \( f \) is a natural mapping such that \( f(v_{\iota_{i}})=m_{i} \), \( \alpha=if \), and \( K=\ker f \).

Operating \( S \) on the above 1) we obtain commutative exact diagram:

\[
0 \xleftarrow{f} M \xleftarrow{i} \sum_{i=1}^{n} A\psi_{\iota_{i}} \xleftarrow{\kappa} A = \sum_{k \in k} A\omega_{k}.
\]

where \( V=\text{im } (\kappa U \xrightarrow{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} U) \) and \( K'=\ker S(\alpha) \).

It is clear that there exists the inclusion map \( i_{i} \) of \( V \) into \( K' \). Operating again \( T \) on 2) we have

\[
0 \xleftarrow{T(K')} T(M) \xleftarrow{T(i_{i})} \sum_{i=1}^{n} A\psi_{\iota_{i}} \xleftarrow{T(\iota_{i})} T(V) \xleftarrow{T(\beta)} T(KU) \xleftarrow{\kappa} A
\]

where \( V=\text{im } (\kappa U \xrightarrow{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} U) \) and \( K'=\ker S(\alpha) \).
where the vertical line is exact and $T(i_1), T(i_2)$ are inclusions. Since $K$ is also ker $\alpha$, there exists a unique isomorphism $\theta$ such that

\[
\begin{array}{c}
T(K') \xrightarrow{\theta} K \\
\downarrow i_3 \\
\sum \oplus A_{\beta_i}
\end{array}
\]

is commutative. Let $a \in T(K')$ and put $k = \theta a$. Then $T(i_3)T(\beta)\varphi_{KA}w_k = i_3 \cdot a = i_3 \cdot \theta a = i_3 \cdot i_3 T(\beta) T(\beta) \varphi_{KA}w_k$ by the naturality of $\varphi$. Put $b = T(\beta) \varphi w_\beta \in T(V)$, $i_3 \cdot a = i_3 T(\beta)b$. Since $i_3$ is injective, $a = T(i_3)b$. Hence, $T(i_3)$ is isomorphic. Since $T$ is faithful, $i_3$ is isomorphic by [5], p. 56. Therefore, $0 \to S(M) \to S(F)$ is exact from 2). Next, let $M$ be any submodule of free $A$-module $F$: $0 \to M \to F$. Then $M$ is a direct limit of the family of finitely generated $A$-submodules $M_{a_i}$; $M = \lim M_{a_i}$. Since $S$ is colimit and exact preserving by [5], p. 85 and p. 55, $0 \to S(M) = \lim S(M_{a_i}) \to S(F)$ is exact from the first argument. Hence, Tor$^1(M, U) = 0$ for all $M \in \text{mod } A$, ([5], p. 112, § 8), which implies that $S$ is exact.

From now on we fix a generator $t \in C$ and $A = [U, U]$. Then for any subobject $U'$ in $U$ it is clear that $[U, U']$ is identified to a right ideal in $A$, and we shall denote it by $r_{U'}$ or $r$. By $KU$ we mean the image of $f: \sum U_k \to U$ defined by $f(U_k) = kU$ for any subset $K$ in $A$. We note from the definitions that $r_{U'} U = ST(U')$. Then we have from [5], p. 71.

**Lemma 1.** For any subobject $U'$ in $U$ we have $U' = r_{U'} U$.

**Lemma 2.** Let $U$ be a generator in $C$ and $r_1, r_2$ right ideals in $A$. Then we have

1) $(r_1 + r_2) U = r_1 U \cup r_2 U$.
2) $(r_1 \cap r_2) U = r_1 U \cap r_2 U$.

Proof. 1) is trivial from the definition.

2) We have the following row exact and commutative diagrams:

4)

\[
\begin{array}{c}
0 \to r_1 U \to r_1 U \cup r_2 U \to (r_1 U \cup r_2 U)/r_2 U \to 0 \\
\uparrow \\
\uparrow \approx \\
0 \to r_1 U \cap r_2 U \to r_1 U \cap r_2 U \to 0 \\
\uparrow \\
\uparrow \approx \\
0 \to (r_1 \cap r_2) U \to r_1 U \to (r_1 \cap r_2) U,
\end{array}
\]

and

5)

\[
\begin{array}{c}
0 \to r_1 \cap r_2 \to r_1 \to r_1/r_1 \cap r_2 \to 0 \\
\uparrow \\
\uparrow \approx \\
0 \to r_1 \cap r_2 \to r_1 \to r_1/r_1 \cap r_2 \to 0
\end{array}
\]

Since $S$ is an exact functor, we obtain $(r_1 \cap r_2) U = r_1 U \cap r_2 U$ from 4) by operating $S$ on 5).
The following proposition is an immediate consequence of [6], Prop. 1.1 and [5], p. 104. However, we shall prove it without localization.

**Proposition 3.** Let $C$, $U$ and $A$ be as above and $U$ a generator. Then the following statements are equivalent.

1) $S() = U$ is an equivalent functor.
2) $T() = [U, ]$ and $S()$ give a one-to-one correspondence between right ideals and subobjects in $U$.
3) For any maximal right ideal $r$ in $A$, $S(A/r) = 0$.
4) $U$ is projective and small in $C$.

**Proof.** 1) $\Rightarrow$ 2) $\Rightarrow$ 3) are trivial.

4) $\Rightarrow$ 1) is proved in [5], p. 104.

3) $\Rightarrow$ 4) It is clear from 3) that for any non-zero $A$-module $M$, $S(M) = M \otimes U = 0$, since $S$ is exact by Theorem 0. Let $V_1 \rightarrow V_2 \rightarrow 0$ be exact in $C$ and $T(V_1) \rightarrow T(V_2) \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0$ be exact in $\text{mod } A$. Since $S$ is exact, $ST(V_1) = V_1 \otimes ST(V_2) = V_2 \rightarrow S(K) \rightarrow 0$ is exact. Hence, $S(K) = 0$, which means $K = 0$ from the above. Therefore, $T$ is exact and hence, $U$ is projective. Finally, we shall show that $U$ is small. Let $f: U \rightarrow \sum V_i$ be a morphism in $C$, where $V_i$'s are any objects in $C$.

Put $U_j = f^{-1}(\sum V_k)$, where $J$ is a finite set of $I$. Since $C$ is a category, $U = \cup U_j$ by [5], p. 83. Then $A = \cup r_j$ by Lemma 2 and 3), where $r_j = [U, U_j]$. Put $1 = \sum f_i$, $f_i \in r_{f_i}$. Then $U = \cup U_{f_i}$, which implies $im f \subseteq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j \in f_i} V_i$.

An object $V$ in $C$ is called minimal if there exist no proper subobjects in $V$. If $V$ is a direct sum of minimal sub-objects, then $V$ is called semi-simple. We note that some properties of semi-simple modules are valid in $C$.

**Lemma 4.** For any artinian and noetherian object $V$, $[V, V]$ is a semi-primary ring.

It is well known in $\text{mod } A$, and its proof is valid in $C$.

2. **Semi-primary category $C$**

Let $C$ be an abelian category mentioned in the section 1. We shall consider a function $\varphi$ of object in $C$ into itself which is similar to the radical of a ring.

I. $\varphi(C)$ is a subobject in $C$ for any $C$ in $C$ such that $C/\varphi(C)$ is semi-simple.

II. $C = \varphi(C)$ if and only if $C = 0$.

III. If $C/C'$ is semi-simple for some subobject $C'$ in $C$, then $C' \supseteq \varphi(C)$.

Let $\varphi, \varphi_1$ be functions in $C$ satisfying I and II. We note in this case that every non-zero object contains a maximal subobject. If $\varphi_1(C) \supseteq \varphi_2(C)$ for all
C ∈ C, then we shall say φ₂ is smaller than φ₁. Furthermore, if φ₂ satisfies III and C is locally small, then φ₂ is a unique minimal function among those satisfying I and II, since φ₂(C) = ∩ D, where D runs all maximal subobjects in C. In this case φ₂ is a functor which satisfies the following commutative diagram

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
C & \xrightarrow{f} & C' \\
\varphi(C) & \xrightarrow{\varphi(f)} & \varphi(C') \\
i & \uparrow & i' \\
i' & & \end{array}
\]

where \( f \in C \) and \( i, i' \) are inclusions and \( \varphi(f) \) is defined as follows: Let \( V \) be a maximal subobject in \( C' \) then \( f^{-1}(V) = C \) or \( C' / f^{-1}(V) \cong C / V \) ([5], pp. 22-24), and hence \( f(\varphi(C)) \subseteq V \), which implies \( \text{im} (f|\varphi(C)) \subseteq \varphi(C') \). Conversely, if \( \varphi \) satisfying I, II induces a functor in C satisfying 6), then \( \varphi \) satisfies III. In fact, let \( V \neq 0 \) in \( C \), then \( V \) contains a maximal subobject \( V_0 \). The commutative diagram

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
V & \longrightarrow & V/V_0 \\
\varphi(V) & \longrightarrow & \varphi(V/V_0) = 0 \\
\end{array}
\]

shows \( \varphi(V) \subseteq V_0 \).

We put \( \varphi^i(U) = \varphi(U), \varphi^i(U) = \varphi^{i+1}(U) \).

**Lemma 5.** Let \( U \) be a generator of \( C \). If \( \varphi^i \) is defined in \( U \) such that \( \varphi^n(U) = 0 \) for some \( n \) and satisfies I, II (resp. I, II and III), then \( \varphi \) induces a function \( \Phi \) in \( C \) such that \( \Phi \) satisfies I, II (reps. I, II and III).

*Proof.* First, we define \( \bar{\varphi}(\varphi^i(U)) = \varphi^{i+1}(U) \) for all \( i \). Let \( V \) be any object in \( C \) which is different from any \( \varphi(U) \), and \( g: \sum_{f \in f} U_f \rightarrow V \) the canonical morphism defined by \( f: U_f \rightarrow V \). We assume that \( \text{im} (g| \sum \varphi^i(U)) = V \) and \( \text{im} (g| \sum \varphi^{i+1}(U)) = V \). Then define \( \bar{\varphi}(V) = \text{im} (g| \sum \varphi^{i+1}(U)) \). It is clear that \( V / \bar{\varphi}(V) \) is semi-simple and that \( V / \bar{\varphi}(V) \neq 0 \) if \( V \neq 0 \). Next, we assume \( \varphi \) satisfies III for \( U \). Let \( V_0 \) be a maximal subobject in \( V \), then \( f^{-1}(V_0) \supseteq \varphi(U) \).

Therefore, \( \bar{\varphi}(V) \subseteq V_0 \).

**Definition.** Let \( V \) be an object in \( C \). If \( [V, V] \) is a semi-primary ring, \( V \) is called a semi-primary object.

From Lemma 4, every artinian and noetherian object is semi-primary.

**Proposition 6.** Let \( U \) be a projective, small generator in an abelian \( C_\Sigma \)-category. Then \( U \) is semi-primary if and only if a function \( \varphi \) in \( U \) satisfying I, II and III is defined and \( U / \varphi(U) \) is a directsum of finite many of simple objects and \( \varphi^n(U) = 0 \) for some \( n \).
Proof. It is clear from Theorem 0 and Proposition 3. We note here that
\[ \varphi'(\mu) = S(n'U) \]
where \( n \) is the radical of \( [C, U] \).

The main purpose of this section is to study some structure of \( C \)-category with semi-primary generator.

**Theorem 7.** Let \( C \) be an abelian \( C \)-category with semi-primary generator \( U \). Then we can define a function \( \varphi \) in \( C \) which satisfies I and II and \( U/\varphi(U) \) is a finite directsum of simple subobjects and \( \varphi^n(U) = 0 \) for some \( n \).

Proof. Let \( A = [U, U] \) and \( n \) the radical of \( A \). Put \( U_i = n_i U \) for all \( i \). It is clear that \( U_i \supseteq U_{i+1} \). Put \( \tau_i = [U, U_i] \). Then \( \tau_{i+1} = n_i \cap \tau_i \).

Then \( \tau_{i+1} U = \tau_i U \cap U_{i+1} = U_{i+1} \) by Lemma 2. Since \( n_i/n_{i+1} \) is semi-simple, say \( n_i/n_{i+1} = \sum \oplus \pi_{a_i} \); \( n_i \supseteq \pi_{a_i} \supseteq \tau_{i+1} \), and \( \tau_{a_i} \) is simple. Put \( U_{a_i} = \tau_{a_i} U \).

If \( U_{a_i} = U_{i+1} \), \( \pi_{a_i} \subseteq n_i \cap \tau_{i+1} \), which is a contradiction. Hence, \( U_i \supseteq U_{a_i} \supseteq U_i \).

We shall show that \( U_{a_i}/U_{i+1} \) is simple. Let \( V \) be a subobject such that \( U_{a_i} \supseteq V \supseteq U_i \). Then \( \tau_{a_i} \supseteq \tau_{i+1} \), in fact if \( \tau_{V \cap \tau_{a_i}} = \tau_{V \cap \tau_{i+1}} \), and hence, \( U_{i+1} = (\tau_{V \cap \tau_{a_i}}) U = V \cap U_{a_i} = V \). Therefore, \( V = \tau_{V \supseteq \tau_{a_i} \supseteq U_{a_i} \supseteq U_i \cap U_{a_i} \). On the other hand, \( \tau_{a_i} \cap \tau_{i+1} = \tau_{i+1} \). Hence, \( U_{a_i} \cap U_{a_j} = U_{i+1} \).

Since \( C \) is \( C \)-category, \( U_i/U_{i+1} \supseteq \sum \oplus U_{a_i}/U_{i+1} \) is semi-simple. We define \( \varphi'(U) = U_i \). Then \( U/\varphi(U) \) is a finite directsum of simple subobjects from the above, and \( \varphi^n(U) = 0 \) if \( n^n = 0 \). Then we can define a function \( \varphi \) in \( C \) from Lemma 5.

Let \( V_o \) be a subobject in \( V \) such that \( V_o + V' = V \) implies \( V = V' \) for any subobject \( V' \) in \( V \). \( V_o \) is called negligible. By \( [U:U_i] \) we mean the number of simple components in \( U/U_i \).

**Theorem 8.** Let \( C \) be an abelian \( C \)-category with semi-primary generator \( U \). Then the following conditions are equivalent.

1) \( U \) is projective and small.
2) \( [A:n] = [U: \varphi(U)] \), where \( \varphi(U) = n U, A = [U, U] \) and \( n \) is the radical of \( A \).
3) \( \varphi(U) \) is negligible in \( U \).
4) \( \varphi \) satisfies the condition III.
5) \( T: C \rightarrow \text{mod} A \) is preserving minimal objects.

Proof. If \( U \) is projective and small, then \( C \) is equivalent to \( \text{mod} A \) by Proposition 3. Hence, 2) 3) 4) and 5) are trivial. We assume 2). We put \( a = [U, n U] \). If we restrict the argument in the proof of Theorem 7 to the case of \( i = 1 \), we get \( [A:a] = [U: n U] = n \). Hence, \( a = n \). For every maximal right ideal \( r \), \( r/n = \sum \oplus r_{a_i}/n \), which implies \( U = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} r_{a_i} U = r U \). Hence, we obtain 1) from Proposition 3.
Let $a$ be as above. We assume $a \notdivides n$. Then there exists a right ideal $b$ properly containing $n$ such that $a/n \oplus b/n = A/n$. Let $e$ be an idempotent element in $A$ such that $b/n = (eA + n)/n$. Since $b \supset n$, $bU \supset nU = aU$. Hence, $U = (a + b)U = bU$. Put $U_0 = eU$. Then $U_0 + nU = (eA + n)U = bU = U$. Therefore, $U_0 = U$ by 3). Hence, $e = I_n$, which is a contradiction.

If $n \notdivides a$, we obtain the fact $U = U_0 + nU$ and $U_0 \notdivides U$. Since $U/U_0$ contains a maximal object from Theorem 7, there exists a maximal subobject $V \supset U_0$. Therefore, $V \supset U_0$.

If $n \notdivides a$, then there exists a maximal subobject $V$ in $U$ such that $U = V + nU$. Since $0 \rightarrow [U, V] \rightarrow [U, U] \rightarrow [U, U/V]$ is exact and $[U, U/V]$ is minimal, $r_U = [U, V]$ is a maximal right ideal, and hence $r_U \supset n$, which is a contradiction.

It is clear that there are many examples in which semi-primary generators are not projective.

**Corollary 1.** Let $U$ be a semi-primary generator in $C$. If $A/n$ is a simple rings, $U$ is projective and small, where $A = [U, U]$ and $n$ is its radical.

Proof. Let $a = [U, nU]$. Since $U \notdivides nU$, and $a$ is a two-sided ideal, $a = n$.

**Corollary 2.** Let $B$ be a semi-primary ring and $U$ be a semi-primary generator in the category of $B$-right modules. Then $n_A U \supset Un_B$, $n_A U = Un_B$ if and only if $U$ is a finitely generated and projective, where, $A = [U, U]$ and $n_A$ (resp. $n_B$) is the radical of $A$ (resp. $B$).

Proof. Let $\varphi(U) = Un_B$. Then $\varphi$ is a functor in mod $B$ satisfying I, II and III. Hence, $n_A U \supset Un_B$ by Theorem 7. If $n_A U = Un_B$, a function $\varphi'$ defined in the proof of Theorem 7 satisfies III. Hence, $U$ is projective and small. The converse is trivial.

**Example.** We shall show that there exists a generator $U$ such that $\varphi'$ are defined in $U$ satisfying the following conditions: $U/\varphi(U)$ is a finite directsum of simple object, $\varphi'$ satisfies I, II and III for all $i$ and $\varphi'(U) = 0$ for some $n$, however $U$ is not semi-primary.

Let $k$ be a field and $K = k(x)$. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} k & 0 & \includegraphics{example.png} \end{pmatrix}$ be a tri-angular matrix ring. Then $A$ is semi-primary with radical $n$. We define $\varphi(U) = Un$ in mod $A$. Put $r = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \includegraphics{example.png} \end{pmatrix}$. Then $r$ is a right ideal in $A$. Then $[A/r, A/r] \approx \begin{pmatrix} k & 0 \includegraphics{example.png} \end{pmatrix}$ is not semi-primary. $U = A \oplus A/r$ is the desired generator.

### 3. Abelian category of commutative diagram

We recall the definition of abelian category of commutative diagram over abelian categories $C_i$ (see [4]).
Let $I = \{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ be a finite linear ordered set and $\{C_i\}_{i \in I}$ a family of abelian categories. We assume that there are given cokernel preserving functors $T_{ij}: C_i \to C_j$ for $i < j$. Furthermore, we assume:

(*) There exist natural transformations 

$$\psi_{ijk}: T_{jk}T_{ij} \to T_{ik} \quad \text{for all } i < j < k,$$

and

(**) For any $i < j < k < l$ and $V$ in $C_i$

$$T_{kj}(T_{ij}(V)) \xrightarrow{T_{kl}(\psi)} T_{ki}(T_{ij}(V))$$

is commutative.

We call a family of morphism $d_{ij}: T_{ij}(V_i) \to V_j$ an arrow for $V_i \in C_i$, $V_j \in C_j$ and for all $i < j$, when the diagrams

$$T_{jk}(V_i) \xrightarrow{T_{jk}(d_{ij})} T_{jk}(V_j)$$

are commutative.

We define a functor $S_i: C_i \to \mathcal{I}$ by setting $S_i(V_i) = (0, \ldots, 0, V_i, T_{i+1}(V_i), \ldots, T_{in}(V_i))$. Then the projective objects in $[I, C_i]$ are of the form $\oplus S_i(P_i)$ and their retract, where $P_i$ is $\xi_i$-projective for all $i$. ([4], Prop. 1.2'). If the projective objects in $[I, C_i]$ are only of the former forms, we call $[I, C_i]$ a good category of commutative diagram.

**Lemma 9.** Let $T_{ij}$ be functors satisfying (**). Then the natural transformation of $T_{in-1,i}T_{in-2,i} \cdots T_{ij} \to T_{ij}$ does not depend on any choice of combination of $T_{in-1,i}, \ldots, T_{ij}$.

**Proof.** We can prove the lemma by using induction on the number of functors and naturality of $\psi_{ijk}$. Namely, every natural transformation is equal to $T_{in-1,i}(T_{in-2,i} \cdots (T_{ij}T_{ij}) \cdots T_{ij})$.

We assume that all $C_i$ have projective class $\xi_i$. We define a functor $S_i: C_i \to [I, C_i]$ by setting $S_i(V_i) = (0, \ldots, 0, V_i, T_{i+1}(V_i), \ldots, T_{in}(V_i))$. Then the projective objects in $[I, C_i]$ are of the form $\oplus S_i(P_i)$ and their retract, where $P_i$ is $\xi_i$-projective for all $i$. ([4], Prop. 1.2'). If the projective objects in $[I, C_i]$ are only of the former forms, we call $[I, C_i]$ a good category of commutative diagram.

**Theorem 10.** Let $C_i$ be abelian category with projective class $\xi_i$. Then every $[I, C_i]$ with $T_{ij}$ is imbedding in a good category $[I, C_i]$ with $T'_{ij}$.

**Proof.** We shall define new functors $T'_{ij}$:
Then it is clear that $T'_{ij}$ are cokernel preserving and $\psi'_{ij}=I_{C_k}$ and (**) is trivial. Furthermore, there exist unique natural transformations $\phi_{ij}: T'_{ij} \to T_{ij}$ by Lemma 9. Put $C=[I, C_i]$ with $T_{ij}$ and $C'=[I, C_i]$ with $T'_{ij}$. We define a function $F$ of $C$ into $C'$ as follows: For $V=(V_i)$ with arrows $d_{ij}$ in $C$ we put $F(V)=(V_i)$ with the following arrows $d'_{ij}$:

\[
\begin{align*}
T'_{ij}(V_i) &\xrightarrow{T'(\phi)} T'_{jk}T'_{ij}(V_i) &\xrightarrow{T'(d_{ij})} &T'_{jk}(V_j) \\
\downarrow{\psi'_{ijk}} &\quad &\downarrow{\phi} &\quad &\downarrow{d_{jk}} \\
T_{ik}(V_i) &\xrightarrow{T_{ik}(V_i)} &T_{jk}(V_i) &\xrightarrow{d_{ik}} &V_k.
\end{align*}
\]

I is commutative by Lemma 9, II is commutative by naturality of $\phi$ and so is III by (**). Hence, $d'_{ij}$ satisfies (**). Define $F((f_i))=(f_i)$ for morphism $(f_i)$ in $C$. Then we can similarly show that $F$ is a functor. It is clear that $F$ is an imbedding functor. Since $\psi_{ijk}=I_{C_k}, K^j(P_i)=0$ in (*) of [4], Lemma 3. 7. Hence, $C'$ is good by [4], Lemma 3. 7.

If every objects in $C$ are projective, $C$ is called a semi-simple category.

**Corollary.** Let $C_i$ be a semi-simple abelian category. Then $[I, C_i]$ is imbedding in an abelian hereditary category, (cf. [3], Theorem 5).

Proof. It is clear from Theorem 10 and [4], Theorem 3. 12.

Finally, we note that if $C_i$ have functor $\varphi_i$ satisfying I, II and III and $T_{ij}(\varphi_i(V_i)) \subseteq \varphi_j T_{ij}(V_i)$ on $V=(V_i)$ in $[I, C_i]$. Then

\[
\varphi(V) = (\varphi_i(V_1), \varphi_i(V_2) \cup d_{i_1}(V_2), \cdots, \varphi_i(V_j) \cup d_{i_j}(V_i), \cdots)
\]

is a functor on $[I, C_i]$ satisfying I, II and III. If $\varphi_t^m=0$ for all $t$ then $\varphi^m=0$.

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