





# Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective complexes

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## Abstract

In this article, Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective complexes are introduced and investigated. It is shown that a complex  $C$  is Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective if and only if  $C_n$  and  $C_n/B_n(C)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  when  $R$  is a Ding-Chen ring. Some applications are also given.

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## 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In classical homological algebra, the projective and injective modules play important and fundamental roles. In Chapter XVII of Homological Algebra, Cartan and Eilenberg [1] gave the definitions of projective and injective resolutions of a complex of modules. Subsequently, Verdier considered these resolutions and called them Cartan-Eilenberg projective and injective resolutions of a complex. Also, the definitions of Cartan-Eilenberg injective, projective and flat complexes were introduced [11].

Recently, Enochs studied Cartan-Eilenberg projective and injective complexes, Cartan-Eilenberg Gorenstein injective complexes are also introduced and studied [5]. We also considered Cartan-Eilenberg FP-injective complexes in [9]. In this paper, our main purpose is to introduce and investigate the concept of Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective complexes.

It is an important question to establish relationships between a complex  $X$  and the modules  $X_n, Z_n(X), B_n(X)$  and  $H_n(X)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . As we know, a complex  $C$  is Gorenstein projective if and only if  $C_n$  is Gorenstein projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (see [12]) and a complex  $C$  is Ding projective if and only if  $C_n$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(C, F)$  is exact for all flat complexes  $F$  (see [13]). In [5], it was shown that a complex  $C$  is Cartan-Eilenberg Gorenstein injective if and only if  $B_n(X)$  and  $H_n(X)$  are Gorenstein injective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Recall from [10] that a left  $R$ -module  $E$  is called FP-injective if  $\text{Ext}_R^1(F, E) = 0$  for all finitely presented left  $R$ -modules  $F$ . More generally, the FP-injective dimension of a left  $R$ -module  $N$  is defined to be the least integer  $n \geq 0$  such that  $\text{Ext}_R^{n+1}(F, N) = 0$

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for all finitely presented left  $R$ -modules  $F$ . The FP-injective dimension of  $N$  is denoted  $\text{FP-id}(N)$  and equals  $\infty$  if no such  $n$  above exists.

A ring  $R$  is called an  $n$ -FC ring if it is both left and right coherent and  $\text{FP-id}({}_R R)$  and  $\text{FP-id}(R_R)$  are both less than or equal to  $n$ , see [2, 3]. A ring  $R$  is called *Ding-Chen* (which is renamed by Gillespie [7]) if it is an  $n$ -FC ring for some non-negative integer  $n$ .

In the following,  $R$  will be a Ding-Chen ring. Our main result in this note can be stated as follows (cf. Theorem 2.13 and Proposition 2.15).

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $C$  be a complex.*

- (1) *Then  $C$  is Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective if and only if  $C_n$  and  $C_n/B_n(C)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*
- (2) *If  $Z_i(C)$  and  $B_i(C)$  have finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $C$  is Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective if and only if  $C$  is DG-Ding projective with  $H_i(C)$  Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

As an application of Theorem 1.1, we get the following observation which establishes a relationship between Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective complexes and Ding projective complexes (cf. Corollary 3.3).

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $G$  be a complex. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  *$G$  is Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective.*
- (2)  *$G$  is Ding projective and  $G_i/B_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

A complex  $C$  is Ding projective if and only if  $Z_n(C)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  whenever  $C$  is an exact complex such that this complex remains exact when  $\text{Hom}_R(-, F)$  is applied to it for any flat  $R$ -module  $F$ , see [13]. As a direct consequence of Theorem 1.1, we have the following result (cf. Corollary 3.7).

**Corollary 1.3.** *Let  $G$  be an exact complex with  $Z_i(G)$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  *$G$  is Ding projective.*
- (2)  *$Z_n(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

For the rest of the paper we will use the abbreviation C-E for Cartan-Eilenberg.

Throughout this paper,  $R$  denotes a ring with unity. A complex

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{\delta_2} C_1 \xrightarrow{\delta_1} C_0 \xrightarrow{\delta_0} C_{-1} \xrightarrow{\delta_{-1}} \cdots$$

of  $R$ -modules will be denoted by  $(C, \delta)$  or  $C$ .

We will use superscripts to distinguish complexes. So if  $\{C^i\}_{i \in I}$  is a family of complexes,  $C^i$  will be

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{\delta_2} C_1^i \xrightarrow{\delta_1} C_0^i \xrightarrow{\delta_0} C_{-1}^i \xrightarrow{\delta_{-1}} \cdots$$

Given a left  $R$ -module  $M$ , we use the notation  $D^m(M)$  to denote the complex

$$\cdots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow M \xrightarrow{id} M \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \cdots$$

with  $M$  in the  $m$ th and  $(m - 1)$ th positions. We also use the notation  $S^m(M)$  to denote the complex with  $M$  in the  $m$ th place and 0 in the other places.

Given a complex  $C$  and an integer  $l$ , the  $l$ th homology module of  $C$  is the module  $H_l(C) = Z_l(C)/B_l(C)$  where  $Z_l(C) = \text{Ker}(\delta_l^C)$  and  $B_l(C) = \text{Im}(\delta_{l+1}^C)$ .

Let  $C$  and  $D$  be complexes of left  $R$ -modules. We will denote by  $\text{Hom}_R(C, D)$  the complex of abelian groups with  $\text{Hom}_R(C, D)_n = \prod_{t \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}(C_t, D_{n+t})$  and such that if  $f \in$

$\text{Hom}_R(C, D)_n$  then  $(\delta_n(f))_m = \delta_{m+n}^D f_m - (-1)^n f_{m+1} \delta_m^D$ .  $f$  is called a *chain map* of degree  $n$  if  $\delta_n(f) = 0$ . A chain map of degree 0 is called a *morphism*. We will use  $\text{Hom}(C, D)$  to denote the abelian group of morphisms from  $C$  to  $D$  and  $\text{Ext}^i$  for  $i \geq 0$  will denote the groups we get from the right derived functor of  $\text{Hom}$ .

General background materials can be found in [8].

For a ring  $R$ ,  $R\text{-Mod}$  denotes the category of left  $R$ -modules,  $\mathcal{C}(R)$  denotes the abelian category of complexes of left  $R$ -modules.

**Definition 1.4** ([5, Definition 3.1]). A complex  $P$  is said to be C-E projective if  $P, Z(P), B(P)$  and  $H(P)$  are complexes consisting of projective modules.

A complex  $I$  is said to be C-E injective if  $I, Z(I), B(I)$  and  $H(I)$  are complexes consisting of injective modules.

A complex  $F$  is said to be C-E flat if  $F, Z(F), B(F)$  and  $H(F)$  are complexes consisting of flat modules.

**Definition 1.5** ([5, Definition 5.3]). A sequence of complexes

$$\dots \rightarrow C^{-1} \rightarrow C^0 \rightarrow C^1 \rightarrow \dots$$

is said to be C-E exact if

- (1)  $\dots \rightarrow C^{-1} \rightarrow C^0 \rightarrow C^1 \rightarrow \dots$ ,
- (2)  $\dots \rightarrow Z(C^{-1}) \rightarrow Z(C^0) \rightarrow Z(C^1) \rightarrow \dots$ ,
- (3)  $\dots \rightarrow B(C^{-1}) \rightarrow B(C^0) \rightarrow B(C^1) \rightarrow \dots$ ,
- (4)  $\dots \rightarrow C^{-1}/Z(C^{-1}) \rightarrow C^0/Z(C^0) \rightarrow C^1/Z(C^1) \rightarrow \dots$ ,
- (5)  $\dots \rightarrow C^{-1}/B(C^{-1}) \rightarrow C^0/B(C^0) \rightarrow C^1/B(C^1) \rightarrow \dots$ ,
- (6)  $\dots \rightarrow H(C^{-1}) \rightarrow H(C^0) \rightarrow H(C^1) \rightarrow \dots$

are all exact.

By [5, Proposition 6.3], we can compute derived functors of  $\text{Hom}(-, -)$  using C-E projective resolutions or C-E injective resolutions. For given  $C$  and  $D$  we will denote these derived functors applied to  $(C, D)$  as  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^n(C, D)$ . It is obvious that  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^n(C, D) \subseteq \text{Ext}^n(C, D)$ .

**Definition 1.6** ([4, Definition 2.1]). A left  $R$ -module  $M$  is called Ding projective (or strongly Gorenstein flat), if there exists an exact sequence of projective left  $R$ -modules

$$\mathbb{P} : \dots \rightarrow P_{-1} \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow \dots$$

with  $M \cong \text{Im}(P_0 \rightarrow P_1)$  and such that the functor  $\text{Hom}_R(-, F)$  leaves  $\mathbb{P}$  exact whenever  $F$  is flat. In this case, we say that  $\mathbb{P}$  is a strongly complete projective resolution of  $M$ .

## 2. Cartan-Eilenberg Ding projective complexes

We start with the following definition.

**Definition 2.1.** A complex  $G$  is said to be C-E Ding projective if there is a C-E exact sequence of C-E projective complexes

$$\mathbb{P} : \dots \rightarrow P^{-1} \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \dots$$

with  $G \cong \text{Ker}(P^0 \rightarrow P^1)$  and such that the functor  $\text{Hom}(-, F)$  leaves  $\mathbb{P}$  exact whenever  $F$  is C-E flat.

**Proposition 2.2.** *If  $G$  is a C-E Ding projective complex, then  $G_n/Z_n(G)$  and  $H_n(G)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

**Proof.** It is similar to the proof of [5, Theorem 8.5]. □

**Remark 2.3.** (1) According to Proposition 2.2 and [14, Theorem 2.6], if  $G$  is a C-E Ding projective complex, then  $G_n, Z_n(G), B_n(G), H_n(G), G_n/Z_n(G)$  and  $G_n/B_n(G)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

(2) If  $\mathbb{P} =: \dots \rightarrow P^{-1} \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow P^2 \rightarrow \dots$  is a  $\text{Hom}(-, F)$  exact C-E exact sequence of C-E projective complexes for any C-E flat complex  $F$ , then by symmetry, all the images, the kernels and the cokernels of  $\mathbb{P}$  are C-E Ding projective.

Let  $C$  be a complex. Then a C-E flat resolution of  $C$  we mean a complex of complexes

$$\dots \rightarrow F^2 \rightarrow F^1 \rightarrow F^0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0,$$

where each  $F^n$  is a C-E flat complex, and  $F^0 \rightarrow C$ ,  $F^1 \rightarrow \text{Ker}(F^0 \rightarrow C)$  and  $F^n \rightarrow \text{Ker}(F^{n-1} \rightarrow F^{n-2})$  for  $n \geq 2$  are C-E flat precovers.

A complex of left  $R$ -modules  $C$  is said to have C-E flat dimension at most  $n$  (denoted  $\text{CEfd}C \leq n$ ) if there is a C-E flat resolution of the form

$$0 \rightarrow F^n \rightarrow F^{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F^1 \rightarrow F^0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

of  $C$ . If  $n$  is the least, then we set  $\text{CEfd}C = n$  and if there is no such  $n$ , we set  $\text{CEfd}C = \infty$ .

**Lemma 2.4** ([5, Proposition 10.1 and its dual version]). (1) For a complex  $C$  the equality  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^1(C, -) = \text{Ext}^1(C, -)$  holds if and only if  $C$  is exact;

(2) For a complex  $C$  the equality  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^1(-, C) = \text{Ext}^1(-, C)$  holds if and only if  $C$  is exact.

A routine proof gives the following lemma using Lemma 2.4.

**Lemma 2.5.** If  $F$  is a complex of finite C-E flat dimension and  $G$  is C-E Ding projective, then  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^n(G, F) = 0$  for each  $n \geq 1$ . Moreover,  $\text{Ext}^1(G, F) = 0$  whenever  $G$  is exact.

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $G$  be a complex with  $G_i$  a Ding projective module for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\text{Hom}_R(G, F)$  is exact for any C-E flat complex  $F$  if and only if  $\text{Ext}^1(G, F) = 0$  for any C-E flat complex  $F$ .

**Proof.** It follows from [6, Lemma 2.1]. □

**Definition 2.7** ([6, Definition 3.3]). Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  be a cotorsion pair in  $R\text{-Mod}$  and  $X$  a complex.

(1)  $X$  is called an  $\mathcal{A}$  complex if it is exact and  $Z_n(X) \in \mathcal{A}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

(2)  $X$  is called a  $\mathcal{B}$  complex if it is exact and  $Z_n(X) \in \mathcal{B}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

(3)  $X$  is called a DG- $\mathcal{A}$  complex if  $X_n \in \mathcal{A}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $\text{Hom}_R(X, B)$  is exact whenever  $B$  is a  $\mathcal{B}$  complex.

(4)  $X$  is called a DG- $\mathcal{B}$  complex if  $X_n \in \mathcal{B}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $\text{Hom}_R(A, X)$  is exact whenever  $A$  is a  $\mathcal{A}$  complex.

We denote the class of  $\mathcal{A}$  complexes by  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}$  and the class of DG- $\mathcal{A}$  complexes by  $DG\tilde{\mathcal{A}}$ . Similarly, the class of  $\mathcal{B}$  complexes is denoted by  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$  and the class of DG- $\mathcal{B}$  complexes is denoted by  $DG\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ .

**Lemma 2.8** ([6, Proposition 3.6]). Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  be a cotorsion pair in  $R\text{-Mod}$ . Then  $(\tilde{\mathcal{A}}, DG\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$  and  $(DG\tilde{\mathcal{A}}, \tilde{\mathcal{B}})$  are cotorsion pairs in  $\mathcal{C}(R)$ .

$(\mathcal{DP}, \mathcal{W})$  is a complete hereditary cotorsion pair in  $R\text{-Mod}$  over Ding-Chen rings, where  $\mathcal{DP}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  denote the class of Ding projective left  $R$ -modules and the class of left  $R$ -modules of finite flat dimension, respectively [7]. Taking  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{DP}$  in Definition 2.7, we get DG-Ding projective complexes.

We define the flat dimension of a complex  $C$  to be the least integer  $n \geq 0$  such that  $0 \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow F_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  is exact. The flat dimension of  $C$  is denoted  $\text{fd}(C)$  and equals  $\infty$  if no such  $n$  above exists. Then we get  $\text{fd}(C) \leq n$  if and only if  $C$  is exact and  $\text{fd}_R(Z_i(C)) \leq n$ , where  $\text{fd}_R(Z_i(C))$  denotes the flat dimension of  $R$ -modules  $Z_i(C)$ .

In the following  $R$  will be a Ding-Chen ring.

**Lemma 2.9.** Let  $X$  be a complex. Then  $X_n$  and  $X_n/B_n(X)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  if and only if  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^1(X, Y) = 0$  for every complex  $Y$  with  $Y_n$  and  $Y_n/B_n(Y)$  finite flat dimension.

**Proof.** It follows by [5, Theorem 9.4]. □

As a direct consequence of Lemma 2.8, we get the following result.

**Lemma 2.10.** *A complex  $X$  is DG-Ding projective if and only if  $\text{Ext}^1(X, Y) = 0$  every complex  $Y$  with finite flat dimension.*

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $X$  be a complex. If  $X_n$  and  $X_n/B_n(X)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$ , then  $X$  is DG-Ding projective.*

**Proof.** Since  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^1(X, Y) = 0$  for every complex  $Y$  with  $Y_n$  and  $Y_n/B_n(Y)$  finite flat dimension by Lemma 2.9,  $\overline{\text{Ext}}^1(X, Y) = 0$  for every exact complex  $Y$  with  $Z_n(Y)$  finite flat dimension. And so  $\text{Ext}^1(X, Y) = 0$  for every exact complex  $Y$  with  $Z_n(Y)$  finite flat dimension by Lemma 2.4. Thus  $X$  is DG-Ding projective.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.12.** *Let  $F$  be a C-E flat complex. Then  $F = K \oplus L$ , where  $K$  is a flat complex and  $L$  is a graded module with  $L_i$  flat for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

**Proof.** By [5, Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 7.2],  $F = \varinjlim (P \oplus Q)^i = \varinjlim P^i \oplus \varinjlim Q^i$ , where  $P^i$  is a projective complex for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $Q^i$  is a graded module with  $Q_t^i$  projective for each  $i, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Take  $K = \varinjlim P^i$  and  $L = \varinjlim Q^i$ . Then  $K$  is a flat complex,  $L$  is a graded module with  $L_i$  flat for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $C$  be a complex. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $C$  is C-E Ding projective.
- (2)  $C$  is DG-Ding projective and  $C_n/B_n(C)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (3)  $C_n$  and  $C_n/B_n(C)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Proof.** (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) is obvious by Lemma 2.11.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) follows by Remark 2.3.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Note that  $C_n/Z_n(C)$  and  $H_n(C)$  are Ding projective for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  by [14, Theorem 2.6]. Then  $C_n/Z_n(C)$  and  $H_n(C)$  have strongly complete projective resolutions. Thus  $C_n$  has a strongly complete projective resolution since  $0 \rightarrow H_n(C) \rightarrow C_n/B_n(C) \rightarrow C_n/Z_n(C) \rightarrow 0$  and  $0 \rightarrow B_n(C) \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow C_n/B_n(C) \rightarrow 0$  are exact.

Suppose  $P^{C_n/Z_n(C)}$  and  $P^{H_n(C)}$  are strongly complete projective resolutions of  $C_n/Z_n(C)$  and  $H_n(C)$ , respectively. By the Horseshoe Lemma, we can construct a strongly complete projective resolution of  $C_n/B_n(C)$ :  $P^{C_n/B_n(C)} = P^{C_n/Z_n(C)} \oplus P^{H_n(C)}$ . Similarly, consider the exact sequence of modules

$$0 \rightarrow B_n(C) \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow C_n/B_n(C) \rightarrow 0,$$

and we can construct a strongly complete projective resolution of  $C_n$ :  $P^{C_n} = P^{B_n(C)} \oplus P^{C_n/B_n(C)} = P^{B_n(C)} \oplus P^{C_n/Z_n(C)} \oplus P^{H_n(C)}$ . We notice that  $C_n/Z_n(C) \cong B_{n-1}(C)$ . Then  $P^{C_n} = P^{B_n(C)} \oplus P^{B_{n-1}(C)} \oplus P^{H_n(C)}$ . Set  $P_n^i = P_i^{B_n(C)} \oplus P_i^{B_{n-1}(C)} \oplus P_i^{H_n(C)}$  and  $d_n^{P^i} : P_n^i \rightarrow P_{n-1}^i$  which maps  $(x, y, z)$  to  $(y, 0, 0)$  for all  $i, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

By construction, it is easily seen that  $P^i$  is a C-E projective complex for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $C = \text{Ker}(P^{-1} \rightarrow P^0)$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\dots \rightarrow P_n^{-1}/B_n(P^{-1}) \rightarrow P_n^0/B_n(P^0) \rightarrow P_n^1/B_n(P^1) \rightarrow \dots$$

is a strongly complete projective resolution of  $C_n/B_n(C)$  with

$$C_n/B_n(C) = \text{Ker}(P_n^0/B_n(P^0) \rightarrow P_n^1/B_n(P^1)),$$

and

$$\dots \rightarrow P_n^{-1} \rightarrow P_n^0 \rightarrow P_n^1 \rightarrow \dots$$

is a strongly complete projective resolution of  $C_n$  with  $C_n = \text{Ker}(P_n^0 \rightarrow P_n^1)$ , so they both are exact. Hence, we can get that

$$\mathbb{P} = \dots \rightarrow P^{-1} \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \dots \tag{1}$$

is C-E exact. Using Lemma 2.9,  $\text{Hom}(-, F)$  leaves the C-E exact sequence (1) exact when  $F$  is C-E flat. Therefore,  $C$  is a C-E Ding projective complex.  $\square$

**Example 2.14.** (1) If  $P$  is a C-E projective complex, then  $P$  is C-E Ding projective by Definition 2.1.

(2) Consider the quasi-Frobenius local ring  $R = k[X]/(X^2)$  where  $k$  is a field. Then

$$P =: \dots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{x} R \xrightarrow{x} R \rightarrow \dots$$

is a strongly complete projective resolution in  $R\text{-Mod}$  and  $Z_i(P)$  is not projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$ . So  $P$  is a C-E Ding projective complex by Theorem 2.13 and  $P$  is not a C-E projective complex.

**Proposition 2.15.** *Let  $C$  be a complex with  $Z_i(C)$  and  $B_i(C)$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $C$  is C-E Ding projective if and only if  $C$  is DG-Ding projective with  $H_i(C)$  Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) It follows by Remark 2.3 and Theorem 2.13.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $C$  be a DG-Ding projective complex with  $H_i(C)$  Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then we get exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow K_n \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow B_n(C) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow H_n(C) \rightarrow H_n(C) \rightarrow 0$$

with  $P_n \rightarrow B_n(C)$  Ding projective precovers of  $B_n(C)$ ,  $K_n$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Notice that  $B_i(C)$  has finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 \rightarrow B_n(C) \rightarrow Z_n(C) \rightarrow H_n(C) \rightarrow 0$  is an exact sequence for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, B_n(C)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, Z_n(C)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, H_n(C)) \rightarrow 0$  is exact for any Ding projective left  $R$ -module  $A$  and each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Using the horseshoe lemma and snake lemma, we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows and columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & K_n & \longrightarrow & K_n & \longrightarrow & 0 \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_n & \longrightarrow & P_n \oplus H_n(C) & \longrightarrow & H_n(C) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & B_n(C) & \longrightarrow & Z_n(C) & \longrightarrow & H_n(C) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

We also get the following commutative diagram with exact rows and columns by an argument analogous to the above.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & K_n & \longrightarrow & L_n & \longrightarrow & K_{n-1} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_n \oplus H_n(C) & \longrightarrow & P_n \oplus H_n(C) \oplus P_{n-1} & \longrightarrow & P_{n-1} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & Z_n(C) & \longrightarrow & C_n & \longrightarrow & B_{n-1}(C) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

Set  $D_n = P_n \oplus H_n(C) \oplus P_{n-1}$  for each  $n$ . Then the map  $d_n : D_n \rightarrow D_{n-1}$  is the composition  $D_n \rightarrow P_{n-1} \rightarrow P_{n-1} \oplus H_{n-1}(C) \rightarrow D_{n-1}$ . So we get the C-E exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ , where  $D = (D_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  with  $d$  given as above and the kernel of  $D \rightarrow C$  is the complex  $L$  with  $L = (L_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ .

Note that  $0 \rightarrow K_n \rightarrow L_n \rightarrow K_{n-1} \rightarrow 0$  is exact and  $K_n$  has finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then the complex  $L$  is a complex of finite flat dimension. This yields the exact sequence

$$\text{Hom}(C, D) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(C, C) \rightarrow 0,$$

which means  $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  is split. Then  $C$  is a C-E Ding projective complex since  $D$  is C-E Ding projective. □

### 3. Applications

In this section,  $R$  is a Ding-Chen ring. We will give some interesting results using Theorem 2.13 and Proposition 2.15.

Notice that  $(\mathcal{DP}, \mathcal{W})$  is a hereditary cotorsion pair in  $R\text{-Mod}$ . As an immediate consequence of Lemma 2.10, Theorem 2.13 and [6, Corollary 3.13], we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $G$  be a complex. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $G$  is C-E Ding projective.
- (2)  $\text{Ext}^1(G, F) = 0$  for every complex  $F$  of finite flat dimension and  $G_i/B_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (3)  $\text{Ext}^n(G, F) = 0$  for every complex  $F$  of finite flat dimension and  $n \geq 0$ , and  $G_i/B_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** *A complex  $G$  is Ding projective if and only if  $\text{Ext}^n(G, F) = 0$  for every complex  $F$  of finite flat dimension and  $n \geq 1$ .*

**Proof.** It is clear by the definition of Ding projective complexes. □

A characterization of C-E Ding projective complexes is given, as a direct consequence of Corollary 3.1, Lemma 3.2 and [13, Theorem 3.7].

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $G$  be a complex. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $G$  is C-E Ding projective.
- (2)  $G$  is Ding projective and  $G_i/B_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (3)  $G_i, G_i/B_i(G)$  are Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\text{Hom}_R(G, F)$  is exact for any flat complex  $F$ .



As a direct corollary to Theorem 2.13, the following result also can be obtained.

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $G$  be an exact complex. Then  $G$  is C-E Ding projective if and only if  $Z_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

Similarly, we get the following result using Proposition 2.15.

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $G$  be a complex with  $Z_i(G)$  and  $B_i(G)$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $G$  is C-E Ding projective.
- (2)  $\text{Ext}^1(G, F) = 0$  for every complex  $F$  of finite flat dimension and  $H_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (3)  $\text{Ext}^n(G, F) = 0$  for every complex  $F$  of finite flat dimension and  $n \geq 0$ , and  $H_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $G$  be a complex with  $Z_i(G)$  and  $B_i(G)$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $G$  is C-E Ding projective.
- (2)  $G$  is Ding projective and  $H_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Using Corollaries 3.4 and 3.6, the following corollary is obtained.

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $G$  be an exact complex with  $Z_i(G)$  finite flat dimension in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $G$  is Ding projective.
- (2)  $Z_i(G)$  is Ding projective in  $R\text{-Mod}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

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