

ON GCO-MODULES AND M-SMALL MODULES

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ABSTRACT

Let M be a right R -module. Define $Z^*(N)$ ($\delta_M^*(N)$) to be the set of elements $n \in N$ for any R -module N in $\sigma[M]$ such that nR is an M -small (respectively δ - M -small) module. In this note it is proved that M is a GCO-module if and only if every M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -projective if and only if every δ - M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -projective. Also, if $M/\delta_M^*(M)$ is semisimple then M is a GCO-module if and only if M is an SI-module.

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For a right R -module M , the submodule $Z^*(M)$ is defined to be the set of elements $m \in M$ such that mR is a small module (see [4]). Some further properties of $Z^*(\cdot)$ were studied in [4, 8, 9, 10]. In this paper we think this submodule in the category $\sigma[M]$, and therefore the corresponding definition of $Z^*(\cdot)$ in $\sigma[M]$ is defined by $Z_M^*(N)$ to be the set of elements $n \in N$ for a module $N \in \sigma[M]$ such that nR is M -small. In Section 1 we prove that M is a GCO-module if and only if every M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -projective (Theorem 1.5). Also if $M/Z_M^*(M)$ is semisimple, then M is a GCO-module if and only if M is an SI-module if and only if $Z_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M -projective (Theorem 1.12). In Section 2, we define δ - M -small modules and $\delta_M^*(N)$ as a generalization of M -small modules and $Z_M^*(N)$ in $\sigma[M]$ being inspired from [14]. Most of the results in Section 1 hold for δ - M -small modules and $\delta_M^*(N)$ but the characterization of V -modules (Example 2.6).

Throughout this paper, R will be an associative ring with unit and all modules be unitary right R -modules.

Let M be an R -module. For a direct summand N of M we write $N \leq_d M$ and for essential submodule N of M , $N \leq_e M$.

An R -module N is *subgenerated* by M if N is isomorphic to a submodule of an M -generated module. $\sigma[M]$ is denoted by the full subcategory of $\text{Mod-}R$ whose objects are all R -modules subgenerated by M [12].

Let \hat{N} be the M -injective hull of N in $\sigma[M]$ and let $E(M)$ be an R -injective hull of M .

A module N in $\sigma[M]$ is called *M-singular* (or *singular in $\sigma[M]$*) if $N \cong L/K$ for an $L \in \sigma[M]$ and $K \leq_e L$ (see [3]). In case $M=R$, instead of R -singular, we just say *singular*. Every module $N \in \sigma[M]$ contains a largest M -singular submodule which is denoted by $Z_M(N)$.

Let $\mathcal{G}(M)$ be the singular torsion theory in $\sigma[M]$, that is, $\mathcal{G}(M)$ is the smallest torsion class in $\sigma[M]$ which contains all M -singular modules (see [11]). $\mathcal{G}(M)$ is closed under M -injective hulls by [11, 2.4(3)], and hence $\mathcal{G}(M) = \{ N \in \sigma[M] : Z_M(N) \leq_e N \}$.

Following Hirano a module M is called a *V-module* (or *co-semisimple*) if every simple module (in $\sigma[M]$) is M -injective. A module M is called a *GV-module* if every singular simple module is M -injective. M is a *GV-module* if and only if every simple module is projective or M -injective [5]. As a generalization of *GV-modules* a module M is called a *GCO-module* if every singular simple module is M -projective or M -injective [3]. M is a *GCO-module* if and only if every M -singular simple module is M -injective [3, 16.4]. Obviously any *V-module* is a *GV-module* and any *GV-module* is a *GCO-module*. M is called an *SI-module* if every M -singular module is M -injective [3]. Clearly *SI-modules* are *GCO-modules*. Note that a right *GCO-ring* coincides with a right *GV-ring*.

1. M-SMALL MODULES

Let K be a submodule of a module M . K is called *small* in M if $K+L \neq M$ holds for every proper submodule L of M and denoted by $K \ll M$. We write $\text{Rad}(M)$, which is the sum of all small submodules in M , for the radical of M (see [1]).

An R -module N is called *M-small* (or *small in $\sigma[M]$*) if $N \cong K \ll L$ for $K, L \in \sigma[M]$. Note that *M-small* modules are dual notion to that of *M-singular* modules. In case $M=R$, instead of *R-small*, we just say *small*. *M-small* modules are *small*, since the class of small modules is closed under isomorphism. An R -module

N is *M-small* if and only if $N \ll \hat{N}$. Every simple R -module is *M-injective* or *M-small*. The class of *M-small* modules is closed under submodules, homomorphic images and finite direct sums. (see [6])

Let M be an R -module. Denote

$$Z_M^*(N) = \{ n \in N : nR \text{ is } M\text{-small} \}$$

for an R-module $N \in \sigma[M]$. In case $M=R$, we write $Z^*(N)$ instead of $Z_R^*(N)$. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. Then it can be easily seen that

$$\text{Rad}(N) \leq Z_M^*(N) \leq Z^*(N).$$

If N is M -small, then $Z_M^*(N)=N$. Since $\sigma[N] \subseteq \sigma[M]$, we also have $Z_N^*(X) \leq Z_M^*(X)$ for any module $X \in \sigma[M]$.

Lemma 1.1. Let M be a module. Then

- $Z_M^*(N) = \text{Rad } \hat{N} \cap N$ for any $N \in \sigma[M]$.
- Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. For any submodule K of N , $Z_M^*(K) = K \cap Z_M^*(N)$.
- Let $f : N \rightarrow K$ be a homomorphism of modules N, K where $N, K \in \sigma[M]$. Then $f(Z_M^*(N)) \leq Z_M^*(K)$.
- Let $N_i (i \in I)$ be any collection of modules in $\sigma[M]$ and let $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$.

$$\text{Then } Z_M^*(N) = \bigoplus_{i \in I} Z_M^*(N_i).$$

Proof. (a) and (b) are clear. (c) and (d) can be obtained by the similar techniques of [10, Lemma 2.1 and 2.3].

Now we give a lemma showing some properties of $Z_M^*(\cdot)$ in case it is zero.

Lemma 1.2. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. Then

- $Z_M^*(N)=0$ if and only if $\text{Rad}(\hat{N})=0$.
- $Z_M^*(N)=0$ if and only if $Z_K^*(N)=0$ for every $K \in \sigma[M]$ with $N \in \sigma[K]$.

Proof. a) By Lemma 1.1 and, since $N \leq_e \hat{N}$.

b) Suppose that $Z_M^*(N)=0$, and let $K \in \sigma[M]$ with $N \in \sigma[K]$ and $x \in Z_K^*(N)$. Then xR is K -small, i.e. $xR \cong L \ll T$ for some $L, T \in \sigma[K]$. Since $K \in \sigma[M]$, $L, T \in \sigma[M]$. This implies that xR is M -small. Thus $x \in Z_M^*(N)=0$. Converse is open.

Since $Z_M^*(\cdot)$ is related with the radical of a module then one may think whether the results hold for radicals of modules are true for $Z_M^*(\cdot)$. Therefore here

we consider V-modules and GCO-modules by being encouraged from [12, 23.1] and [3, 16.4].

Theorem 1.3. The following are equivalent for a module M.

- a) M is a V-module,
- b) $Z_M^*(N)=0$ for every module $N \in \sigma[M]$,
- c) $Z_M^*(N)=0$ for every factor module N of M.

Proof. Since $Z_M^*(N)=\text{Rad}(\hat{N}) \cap N$ for $N \in \sigma[M]$, it is clear from [12, 23.1]. \square

Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. N is called *cogenerator* in $\sigma[M]$ if there exists a monomorphism $N \rightarrow \prod_{\Lambda} M_{\lambda}$ with modules $M_{\lambda} \in \sigma[M]$ [12]. A module M is called *locally noetherian* if every finitely generated submodule of M is noetherian.

Theorem 1.4. Let M be a locally noetherian module. The following are equivalent.

- a) M is a V-module,
- b) $\sigma[M]$ has a semisimple M-injective cogenerator,
- c) $\sigma[M]$ has a cogenerator Q with $Z_M^*(Q)=0$.

Proof. It is clear from [12, 23.1].

Theorem 1.5. The following are equivalent for a module M.

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M^*(N)$ is M-projective,
- c) Every M-small module in $\sigma[M]$ is M-projective,
- d) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M(N) \cap Z_M^*(N)=0$,
- e) For every simple module $E \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M(\hat{E}) \cap Z_M^*(\hat{E})=0$,
- f) $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is a V-module and $Z_M(M) \cap Z_M^*(M)=0$,
- g) $Z_M^*(M/K)=0$ for every $K \leq_e M$ and $Z_M(M) \cap Z_M^*(M)=0$,
- h) Every non-zero module N with $Z_M^*(N)=N$ contains a non-zero M-projective submodule,
- i) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$ with $Z_M(N) \leq_e N$ (i.e. $N \in \mathcal{G}(M)$), $Z_M^*(N)=0$.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b) Since simple modules in $\sigma[M]$ splits into four disjoint classes by combining the exclusive choices [M-projective or M-singular] and [M-injective or M-small], one deduces that M is a GCO-module if and only if every M-small simple

module is M -projective. So, let $n \in Z_M^*(N)$ for $N \in \sigma[M]$ and K be a maximal submodule of nR . Then nR/K is simple and M -projective. This implies that $K \leq_e nR$. Hence nR and then $Z_M^*(N)$ is semisimple. By [7, Proposition 4.32], $Z_M^*(N)$ is M -projective.

(b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d) \Rightarrow (e) It is clear.

(e) \Rightarrow (a) It follows from [3, 16.4 (d) \Rightarrow (a)].

(d) \Rightarrow (g) Let $K \leq_e M$. Then M/K is M -singular. This implies that $Z_M(M/K) = M/K$.

By hypothesis, $Z_M^*(M/K) = 0$.

(g) \Leftrightarrow (f) It follows from [3, 16.1 (a) \Leftrightarrow (d)].

(f) \Rightarrow (a) It follows from [3, 16.4 (e) \Rightarrow (a)].

(b) \Rightarrow (h) It is clear.

(h) \Rightarrow (a) Let N be an M -singular simple module in $\sigma[M]$. If N is M -small then N contains a non-zero M -projective module P in $\sigma[M]$. Since N is simple $N = P$ and then N is projective and M -singular in $\sigma[M]$, a contradiction. Hence N is M -injective.

(d) \Rightarrow (i) It is clear.

(i) \Rightarrow (d) Let $0 \neq n \in Z_M(N) \cap Z_M^*(N)$. Then nR is M -singular and M -small. Since $nR = Z_M(nR) \leq_e nR$, $Z_M^*(nR) = 0$ by hypothesis, a contradiction. \square

If we consider the GCO-modules with ascending (descending) chain condition on essential submodules we have the following corollaries. First one is a generalization of [3, 16.13 (1)].

Corollary 1.6. The following are equivalent for a module M .

- a) M is a GCO-module with ascending chain condition on essential submodules,
- b) $M/\text{Soc}M$ is a V -module and Noetherian, $Z_M(M) \cap Z_M^*(M) = 0$.

Proof. By Theorem 1.5 and [3, 5.15].

Corollary 1.7. For a module M with $M/\text{Soc}M$ finitely generated, the following are equivalent.

- a) M is a GCO-module with descending chain condition on essential submodules,
- b) $M/\text{Soc}M$ is semisimple, $Z_M(M) \cap Z_M^*(M) = 0$.

Proof. By Theorem 1.5, [3, 5.15] and [1, Proposition 10.15].

GV-modules can be characterized by replacing $Z_M(N)$ by the singular submodule $Z(N)$ and M -projectivity by projectivity in Theorem 1.5.

Theorem 1.8. The following are equivalent for a module M .

- a) M is a GV-module,
- b) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M^*(N)$ is projective,
- c) Every M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is projective,
- d) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z(N) \cap Z_M^*(N) = 0$,
- e) For every simple module $E \in \sigma[M]$, $Z(\hat{E}) \cap Z_M^*(\hat{E}) = 0$,
- f) $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is a V -module and $Z(M) \cap Z_M^*(M) = 0$,
- g) $Z_M^*(M/K) = 0$ for every $K \leq_e M$ and $Z(M) \cap Z_M^*(M) = 0$,
- h) Every non-zero module N with $Z_M^*(N) = N$ contains a non-zero projective submodule,
- i) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$ with $Z(N) \leq_e N$, $Z_M^*(N) = 0$.

Example 1.9. If M is a GV-module, $Z(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M) = 0$ but $Z(M) \cap Z^*(M)$ need not be zero in general.

Proof. Let $M = \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$. M is simple and hence a GV-module. Also $Z(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M) = 0$. But $Z(M) \cap Z^*(M) = M$ since M is singular and small \mathbf{Z} -module.

Applying Theorem 1.8 to $M = R$, we immediately have the following corollary which is a generalization of [8, Theorem 10].

Corollary 1.10. The following are equivalent for a ring R .

- a) R is a right GV-ring,
- b) For every R -module M , $Z^*(M)$ is projective,
- c) Every small module is projective,
- d) For every R -module M , $Z(M) \cap Z^*(M) = 0$,
- e) For every simple module S , $Z(E(S)) \cap Z^*(E(S)) = 0$.
- f) $R/\text{Soc}(R)$ is a V -module and $Z(R_R) \cap Z^*(R_R) = 0$,
- g) $Z^*(R/K) = 0$ for every essential right ideal K of R and $Z(R_R) \cap Z^*(R_R) = 0$,
- h) Every non-zero R -module M with $Z^*(M) = M$ contains a non-zero projective submodule,

i) For every R-module M with $Z(M) \leq_e M$, $Z^*(M)=0$.

Theorem 1.11. Let M be a module with $M/Z_M^*(M)$ a V-module. Then the following are equivalent.

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) $Z_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M -projective.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b) By Theorem 1.5.

(b) \Rightarrow (a) Since $Z_M^*(M)$ is semisimple, $Z_M^*(M) \leq \text{Soc}(M)$. Then by hypothesis, $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is a V-module. $Z_M^*(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M)$ is a direct summand of $Z_M^*(M)$. Since $Z_M^*(M)$ is M -projective, we have $Z_M^*(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M)=0$. By [3, 16.4], M is a GCO-module.

In [3, 17.5], we do not need the condition that M is self-projective.

Theorem 1.12. Let M be a module with $M/Z_M^*(M)$ semisimple. Then the following are equivalent.

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) M is an SI-module,
- c) $Z_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M -projective.

Proof. (a) \Leftrightarrow (c) By Theorem 1.11.

(b) \Rightarrow (a) Clear.

(c) \Rightarrow (b) Since $Z_M^*(M) \leq \text{Soc}(M)$, $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is semisimple. Let $K \leq_e M$. Then $\text{Soc}(M) \leq K$. This implies that M/K is semisimple. On the other hand, since finitely generated M -singular modules can not be M -projective, we have $Z_M^*(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M)=0$. Thus M is an SI-module by [3, 17.2].

2. δ -M-SMALL MODULES

In this section, we define δ - M -small modules and use them to characterize GCO-modules.

Zhou [14] introduced the concept " δ -small submodule" as a generalization of small submodule. Let N be a submodule of a module M . N is called δ -small in M if whenever $M=N+K$ and M/K is singular for any $K \leq M$ we have $M=K$, denoted by $N \ll_{\delta} M$. Here we consider this definition in the category $\sigma[M]$ for a module M .

Definition 2.1. Let $N \leq K \in \sigma[M]$. N is called a δ - M -small submodule of K in $\sigma[M]$ if whenever $K=N+X$ and K/X is M -singular for $X \leq K$ we have $K=X$, we denoted by $N \ll_{\delta_M} K$.

For modules $N, K \in \sigma[M]$, $N \ll_{\delta} K \Rightarrow N \ll_{\delta_M} K$. The properties of δ -small submodules that are listed in Lemma 1.3 in [14] also hold in $\sigma[M]$. We write them for convenience. Note that the class of M -singular modules is closed under submodules, homomorphic images and direct sums [3].

Lemma 2.2. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$.

a) For modules $K, L \in \sigma[M]$ with $K \leq L \leq N$ we have

$$L \ll_{\delta_M} N \text{ if and only if } K \ll_{\delta_M} N \text{ and } L/K \ll_{\delta_M} N/K.$$

b) For $K, L \in \sigma[M]$, $K+L \ll_{\delta_M} N$ if and only if $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and $L \ll_{\delta_M} N$.

c) If $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and $f: N \rightarrow L$ is a homomorphism, then $f(K) \ll_{\delta_M} L$.

In particular, if $K \ll_{\delta_M} N \leq L$, then $K \ll_{\delta_M} L$.

d) If $K \leq L \leq_d N \in \sigma[M]$ and $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$, then $K \ll_{\delta_M} L$.

As a generalization of M -small module we define δ - M -small module.

Definition 2.3. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. N is called a δ - M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ if

$$N \cong K \ll_{\delta_M} L \in \sigma[M].$$

The following equivalence can be seen similarly as it is for M -small modules. For M -small modules it is proved in [6].

Lemma 2.4. N is a δ - M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ if and only if $N \ll_{\delta_M} \hat{N}$.

Proof. It is enough to show that if N is δ - M -small then $N \ll_{\delta_M} \hat{N}$. Let $K, L \in \sigma[M]$ be such that $N \cong K \ll_{\delta_M} L$. Since \hat{K} is injective in $\sigma[M]$, there exists a homomorphism $f: L \rightarrow \hat{K}$ such that $f \circ i = g$ where $i: K \rightarrow L$ and $g: K \rightarrow \hat{K}$ are inclusion maps. Since $K \ll_{\delta_M} L$, $K = f(K) \ll_{\delta_M} \hat{K}$. This implies that $N \ll_{\delta_M} \hat{N}$.

If N is an M -small module then it is δ - M -small. The class of δ - M -small modules is closed under submodules, homomorphic images and finite direct sums.

Definition 2.5. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$. We define

$$\delta_M(N) := \{n \in N : nR \ll_{\delta_M} N\}$$

$$\delta_M^*(N) := \{n \in N : nR \ll_{\delta_M} \widehat{nR}\} = \{n \in N : nR \ll_{\delta_M} \widehat{N}\} = \delta_M(\widehat{N}) \cap N.$$

In case $M=R$, we write $\delta_R(N) = \delta(N)$ and $\delta_R^*(N) = \delta^*(N)$. Then

$$\text{Rad}(N) \leq \delta_M(N) \leq \delta_M^*(N)$$

$$\text{Rad}(N) \leq Z_M^*(N) \leq \delta_M^*(N).$$

If N is a δ - M -small module then $\delta_M^*(N) = N$. Also by definition for $N \leq K \in \sigma[M]$, $\delta_M^*(N) = N \cap \delta_M^*(K)$. In particular, $\delta_M^*(\delta_M^*(N)) = \delta_M^*(N)$. $\delta(N)$ is defined by [14]. Note that for any ring R , $\text{Soc}(R_R) \leq \delta(R_R)$ by [14, Theorem 1.6].

If for every $N \in \sigma[M]$, $\delta_M^*(N) = 0$, then M is a V -module. But the converse is not true in general:

Example 2.6. Let F be any field and R be the direct product of any infinite number of copies of F . Then R is a commutative V -ring and $\text{Soc}(R)$ is the ideal of R consisting of all elements which have at most a finite number of non-zero components. Then by [14, Theorem 1.6], $\text{Soc}(R) \leq \delta(R) \leq \delta^*(R)$ implies that $\delta^*(R) \neq 0$. Hence R is a V -ring but $\delta^*(R) \neq 0$. Actually, by Corollary 2.9 $\text{Soc}(R) = \delta^*(R)$.

But Theorem 1.5 still holds when $Z_M^*(\cdot)$ is replaced by $\delta_M^*(\cdot)$.

Theorem 2.7. The following are equivalent for a module M .

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $\delta_M^*(N)$ is M -projective,
- c) Every δ - M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -projective,
- d) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M(N) \cap \delta_M^*(N) = 0$,
- e) For every simple module $E \in \sigma[M]$, $Z_M(\widehat{E}) \cap \delta_M^*(\widehat{E}) = 0$,
- f) $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is a V -module and $Z_M(M) \cap \delta_M^*(M) = 0$,
- g) $\delta_M^*(M/K) = 0$ for every $K \leq_e M$ and $Z_M(M) \cap \delta_M^*(M) = 0$,

- h) Every non-zero module N with $\delta_M^*(N)=N$ contains a non-zero M -projective submodule,
 i) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$ with $Z_M(N) \leq_e N$, $\delta_M^*(N)=0$.

Proof. (a) implies (b), since M -singular M -injective and δ - M -small modules are zero. Then $\delta_M^*(N)$ is semisimple and then M -projective. The others can be seen by definitions and Theorem 1.5.

Replacing $Z_M(N)$ by the singular submodule $Z(N)$ and M -projectivity by projectivity in Theorem 2.7 we have the following.

Theorem 2.8. The following are equivalent for a module M .

- a) M is a GV-module,
- b) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $\delta^*(N)$ is projective,
- c) Every δ - M -small module in $\sigma[M]$ is projective,
- d) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$, $Z(N) \cap \delta^*(N)=0$,
- e) For every simple module $E \in \sigma[M]$, $Z(\hat{E}) \cap \delta^*(\hat{E})=0$,
- f) $M/\text{Soc}(M)$ is a V -module and $Z(M) \cap \delta^*(M)=0$,
- g) $\delta^*(M/K)=0$ for every $K \leq_e M$ and $Z(M) \cap \delta^*(M)=0$,
- h) Every non-zero module N with $\delta^*(N)=N$ contains a non-zero projective submodule,
- i) For every module $N \in \sigma[M]$ with $Z(N) \leq_e N$, $\delta^*(N)=0$.

Applying the above theorem to a ring we have the following corollary.

Corollary 2.9. The following are equivalent for a ring R .

- a) R is a right GV-ring,
- b) For every R -module M , $\delta^*(M)$ is projective,
- c) Every δ -small module is projective,
- d) For every R -module M , $Z(M) \cap \delta^*(M)=0$,
- e) For every simple module S , $Z(E(S)) \cap \delta^*(E(S))=0$.
- f) $R/\text{Soc}(R)$ is a V -module and $Z(R_R) \cap \delta^*(R_R)=0$,
- g) $\delta^*(R/K)=0$ for every essential right ideal K of R and $Z(R_R) \cap \delta^*(R_R)=0$,
- h) Every non-zero R -module M with $\delta^*(M)=M$ contains a non-zero projective submodule,

i) For every R-module M with $Z(M) \leq_e M$, $\delta^*(M)=0$.

In this case $\text{Soc}(R_R)=\delta(R_R)=\delta^*(R_R)$.

Proof. The last part is because of that $\delta^*(R_R)$ is semisimple.

If $M/Z_M^*(M)$ is a V-module (semisimple) then $M/\delta_M^*(M)$ is a V-module (respectively semisimple). Then Theorem 1.11 and 1.12 still hold for $\delta_M^*(\cdot)$.

Theorem 2.10. Let M be a module with $M/\delta_M^*(M)$ a V-module. Then the following are equivalent.

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) $\delta_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M-projective.

Theorem 2.11. Let M be a module with $M/\delta_M^*(M)$ semisimple. Then the following are equivalent.

- a) M is a GCO-module,
- b) M is an SI-module,
- c) $\delta_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M-projective.

Also under the assumption " $M/Z_M^*(M)$ is V-module (semisimple)" the conditions of Theorem 1.11 (respectively 1.12) are equivalent to " $\delta_M^*(M)$ is semisimple M-projective".

Consider some examples.

Examples 2.12. 1) Let R be the 2×2 upper triangular matrix over a field F. R is a right GV-ring but not a right V-ring by [2]. Then

$$\text{Soc}(R_R)=\delta(R_R)=\delta^*(R_R)=Z^*(R_R)=\begin{bmatrix} 0F \\ 0F \end{bmatrix}$$

$$([8, \text{Example 11}], J(R)=\begin{bmatrix} 0F \\ 00 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2) Let $R=\mathbf{Z}/4\mathbf{Z}$. Then $\text{Soc}(R)=Z(R)=2R$. Since $R/\text{Soc}(R) \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$, $\text{Soc}(R)=\delta(R)$. \mathbf{Z} is a small module. This implies that for every R-module M, $Z^*(M)=M$ [8, Lemma 8] and hence for every R-module M, $\delta^*(M)=M$. On the other hand R is not an SI-ring but every singular R-module is semisimple by [13, Example 8].

If R is a right SI-ring, then $\text{Soc}(R_R) = \delta^*(R_R)$ is projective. But the second example above says that if every singular right R -module is semisimple and $\delta^*(R_R)$ is projective then R need not be a right SI-ring, compare with [3, 17.4 (a) \Leftrightarrow (c)].

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