

V-MODULES, SSI-MODULES, AND IDEMPOTENT OF HEREDITARY PRETORSION CLASSES IN $\sigma[M]$

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ABSTRACT. A module M is called a V -module (cosemisimple module) if every simple module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -injective. A module M is an SSI-module if every semisimple module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -injective. The main objective of this paper is to prove that a module M is an SSI-module if and only if M is a locally noetherian V -module. We also prove that an R -module M over a commutative ring R is semisimple if and only if every hereditary pretorsion class in $\text{ptors-}M$ is an idempotent radical.

1. Introduction

By a ring R we mean an associative ring with unity unless otherwise stated. By the word R -module we mean unitary right R -module unless stated otherwise, and the category of unital right R -modules shall be denoted by $\text{Mod-}R$. The symbol \subseteq denotes containment and \subset proper containment for sets. When we write $L \leq_e M$, we mean L is an essential submodule of M or M is an essential extension of L . For a functor $\tau, \sigma: \text{Mod-}R \rightarrow \text{Mod-}R$, τ is a subfunctor of σ if for any morphism $f: M \rightarrow N$, $\tau(M) \subseteq \sigma(M)$ and $\tau(f) = \sigma(f)|_{\tau(M)}$ is the restriction of $\sigma(f)$ to $\tau(M)$. A preradical τ is a subfunctor of the identity functor $\text{id}: \text{Mod-}R \rightarrow \text{Mod-}R$. For a preradical τ and a module M , M is τ -torsion if $\tau(M) = M$ and τ -torsion free if $\tau(M) = 0$. A preradical τ is idempotent (resp. radical) if $\tau^2 = \tau$, i.e., $\tau(\tau(M)) = \tau(M)$ (resp. $\tau(M/\tau(M)) = 0$, i.e., $\tau(M) = M$) for all modules M in $\text{Mod-}R$. A preradical τ is left exact if the sequence $0 \rightarrow \tau(A) \rightarrow \tau(B) \rightarrow \tau(C)$ is exact for every short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$. A preradical class τ is

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idempotent radical if it is both idempotent and radical. A class of modules is called hereditary if it is closed under submodules and a preradical class τ is hereditary if τ is idempotent and the class of modules $T_\tau = \{M \in \text{Mod-}R : \tau(M) = M\}$ is hereditary. We call a class of modules pretorsion (resp. hereditary pretorsion) class if it is closed under factor module and (arbitrary) direct sums (resp. factor modules, (arbitrary) direct sums, and submodules). A hereditary pretorsion class which is closed under extension is called hereditary torsion class. Associated to a preradical τ there are two classes of modules in $\text{Mod-}R$, namely $T_\tau = \{N \in \text{Mod-}R : \tau(N) = N\}$ and $F_\tau = \{N \in \text{Mod-}R : \tau(N) = 0\}$. Note that T_τ is a pretorsion class and F_τ is a pretorsion free class. When we say an idempotent of a hereditary pretorsion classes in $\sigma[M]$, we mean an idempotent hereditary preradical class τ for which the class of modules $T_\tau = \{N \in \sigma[M] : \tau(N) = N\}$ is pretorsion in $\sigma[M]$ see [2, 4].

A subcategory S of a category C is called full subcategory if for each pair of objects N and M of S , $\text{Mor}_S(N, M) = \text{Mor}_C(N, M)$ (where Mor stand for morphism). In the above definition if we take $S = \sigma[M]$ and $C = \text{Mod-}R$, then we say $\sigma[M]$ is a full subcategory of the category $\text{Mod-}R$ if for each pair of modules N and M in $\sigma[M]$, $\text{Hom}_{\sigma[M]}(N, M) = \text{Hom}_{\text{Mod-}R}(N, M)$ see [9].

If R is a ring, we denote the set of all hereditary pretorsion classes of right R -modules by $\text{ptor-}R_R$ and the set of all hereditary torsion classes by $\text{tors-}R_R$. If N, M are right R -modules, then we say that N is subgenerated by M , or M is a subgenerator for N if N is isomorphic to a submodule of an M -generated module. We denote by $\sigma[M]$, the full subcategory of $\text{Mod-}R$ whose objects are all R -modules subgenerated by M see [9]. Let M and N be R -modules. We call N , M -injective if for every submodule K of M every R -homomorphism from K to N can be lifted to an R -homomorphism from M to N . A module M is called a V -module (cosemisimple module in [5]) if every simple module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -injective. A module M is SSI-module if every semisimple module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -injective. A module N in $\sigma[M]$ is said to be uniform if any two non-zero submodules of N has nonzero intersection in $\sigma[M]$. For $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ we denote the set of all hereditary pretorsion classes of the full subcategory $\sigma[M]$ of $\text{Mod-}R$ by $\text{ptors-}M$ and we denote the set of all hereditary torsion classes by $\text{tors-}M$. For any R -module M its injective hull is denoted by $E(M)$ and if $N \in \sigma[M]$, then the M -injective hull of N is denoted by the symbol $E_M(N)$. If $\tau \in \text{tors-}R_R$ and $M \in \text{Mod-}R$, then there is a (unique) largest submodule of M belonging to τ , denoted by $\tau(M)$, and called the τ -torsion submodule of M . If $\tau(M) = M$, or equivalently $M \in \tau$, we say that M is τ -torsion and if $\tau(M) = 0$ we say that M is τ -torsion free. We call $\tau \in \text{ptors-}M$ splitting if $\tau(N)$ is a direct summand of N for each $N \in \sigma[M]$. We call a module M locally noetherian (artinian) if every finitely generated submodule of M is noetherian (artinian). This is equivalent to the requirement that all finitely generated (cyclic) modules in $\sigma[M]$ are noetherian(artinian) in $\sigma[M]$ see [5].

Let M be an R -module. A socle of M ($= \text{Soc}(M)$, $\text{Soc } M$) we denote the sum of all simple (minimal) submodules of M [9], i.e.,

$$\text{Soc } M = \sum \{N \leq M \mid N \text{ is simple}\}.$$

The socle of M is the largest submodule of M generated by simple modules or equivalently, it is the largest semisimple module of M . Dually the radical of M is the submodule which is the intersection of all maximal submodule of M

$$\text{Rad } M = \bigcap \{N \leq M \mid N \text{ is maximal in } M\}.$$

It is proved in [1, Theorem 2.5] that the direct sum of any family of M -injective modules is M -injective if and only if every cyclic submodule of M is noetherian, that is, M is locally noetherian. It is also shown in [9] that any M -injective module U is also N -injective whenever N is a submodule, a factor module or direct sum of copies of M . It follows immediately that a module is injective in $\sigma[M]$ if it is M -injective. This is a Baer's like criterion. Thus, there are enough injectives in $\sigma[M]$ [9]. It is proved in [4, Proposition 1, p.236] that R is a right SSI-ring if and only if R is a right noetherian right V -ring. We prove in Theorem 1.3 that an R -module M is an SSI-module if and only if M is a locally noetherian V -module. Viola-Prioli [7, Theorem 1, p. 545] has proved that for a commutative ring R , every hereditary pretorsion class is a hereditary torsion class if and only if R is semisimple. This result is generalized in Theorem 1.5 in which it is proven that if M is a module over a commutative ring R , then $\text{ptors-}M = \text{tors-}M$ if and only if M is semisimple.

1.1. V -modules and SSI-modules. The following result generalizes the V -rings of Villamayor [3] to V -modules.

THEOREM 1.1. *The following statements are equivalent for $M \in \text{Mod-}R$:*

- (a) M is a V -module;
- (b) $\text{Rad}(N) = 0$ for all $N \in \sigma[M]$ where $\text{Rad}(N)$ is the Jacobson Radical;
- (c) Every proper submodule of M is an intersection of maximal submodules.

PROOF. (a) \Rightarrow (b) Suppose M is a V -module and $0 \neq N \in \sigma[M]$. Take $0 \neq x \in N$ and let B be maximal among the submodules of N which exclude x . Since every nonzero submodule of N/B contains $(xR + B)/B$, we infer that N/B is uniform and $(xR + B)/B$ is simple. By hypothesis, $(xR + B)/B$ is M -injective and thus a direct summand of N/B . Since N/B is uniform, this means $N/B = (xR + B)/B$, so B is a maximal submodule of N . Since $\text{Rad}(N) \subseteq B$ and $x \notin B, x \notin \text{Rad}(N)$. Therefore, $\text{Rad}(N) = 0$, as required.

(b) \Rightarrow (c) Suppose (b) holds. Let L be a proper submodule of M . Since $M/L \in \sigma[M]$, $\text{Rad}(M/L) = 0$ from which we infer that L is an intersection of maximal submodules of M .

(c) \Rightarrow (a) Assume (c) holds. Let S be any simple module in $\sigma[M]$, L a submodule of M and

$\rho : L \rightarrow S$ be an R -homomorphism. We need to extend ρ to a mapping of M to S . We may assume ρ is epimorphism and replace ρ by the canonical epimorphism $\alpha : L \rightarrow L/K, \alpha(x) = x + K$ where $K = \ker \rho, L/K \cong S$. It is enough to extend α to M . By (b) we have $\text{Rad}(M/K) = 0$ and since L/K is simple, there exists a maximal submodule N/K of M/K such that $L/K \oplus N/K = M/K$. Consider the canonical epimorphism $\pi : M \rightarrow M/K$ and the projection $\beta : M/K \rightarrow L/K$. Then $\beta \circ \pi : M \rightarrow L/K(\cong S)$ extends α . This implies S is M -injective. This shows

that every simple module in $\sigma[M]$ is M -injective and hence M is a V -module as desired. \square

THEOREM 1.2. *If Soc splits in $\sigma[M]$, then M is an SSI-module.*

PROOF. Assume L is semisimple in $\sigma[M]$. Obviously $L \leq_e E_M(L)$ (where $E_M(L)$ is the M -injective hull of L) so that $L \leq_e \text{Soc}(E_M(L))$. Since a semisimple module possesses no proper essential submodule, this entails $L = \text{Soc}(E_M(L))$. By hypothesis, $L = \text{Soc}(E_M(L))$ is a direct summand of $E_M(L)$, whence $L = \text{Soc}(E_M(L)) = E_M(L)$. We conclude that L is M -injective. This shows that M is an SSI-module. \square

Let $\{L_\delta : \delta \in \Delta\}$ be a family of right R -modules. If $x = \{x_\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \in \prod_{\delta \in \Delta} L_\delta$, then the support of x abbreviated by $\text{supp } x$ is defined by

$$\text{supp } x = \{\delta \in \Delta : x_\delta \neq 0\}.$$

If $X \subseteq \prod_{\delta \in \Delta} L_\delta$, we define

$$\text{supp } X = \bigcup_{x \in X} \text{supp } x.$$

THEOREM 1.3. *A right R -module M is an SSI-module if and only if M is a locally noetherian V -module.*

PROOF. (\Rightarrow) Assume that $M \in \text{Mod-}R$ is an SSI-module. Since M is clearly a V -module, it remains to show that M is locally noetherian. Suppose, on the contrary, that M is not locally noetherian. This entails the existence of a cyclic submodule xR of M and a strictly ascending chain of submodules

$$N_0 \subset N_1 \subset N_2 \subset \dots$$

of xR . Take $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Because M is a V -module and $N_k/N_{k-1} \in \sigma[M]$, it follows from Theorem 1.1(b) that $\text{Rad}(N_k/N_{k-1}) = 0$, so that N_k/N_{k-1} has a maximal proper submodule M_k/N_{k-1} say, where $N_{k-1} \subseteq M_k \subseteq N_k$. Put $N = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} M_k$.

Consider the canonical map $\lambda : N \rightarrow \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N/M_k$ defined by:

$$\lambda(t) = \{t + M_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Since $N = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k$, $\lambda(t)$ has finite support for each $t \in \mathbb{N}$, so we may interpret λ as a mapping with codomain $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k/M_k$. Take $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Since M is a V -module, the simple module $N_j/M_j \in \sigma[M]$ is M -injective so that N_j/M_j is a direct summand of N/M_j . If $\kappa_j : N_j/M_j \rightarrow N/M_j$ denotes the inclusion map, there exists a projection map $\rho_j : N/M_j \rightarrow N_j/M_j$ such that $\rho_j \kappa_j$ coincides with the identity map on N_j/M_j .

Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \mathfrak{F} \longmapsto & \{\hat{\varphi}_{S_P}\}_P & \\
 & & & & \\
 xR & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k/M_k & \xrightarrow{\psi_j} & \bigoplus N_j/M_j \\
 \uparrow \iota & & \uparrow \rho & & \uparrow \kappa_j \downarrow \rho_j \\
 N & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N/M_k & \xrightarrow{\varphi_j} & N/M_j \\
 & & I \longmapsto & \{I_P\}_P &
 \end{array}$$

where φ_j and ψ_j are the canonical projection maps, ρ is the epimorphism induced by the family of epimorphisms $\{\rho_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ and ι is the inclusion map.

Inasmuch as $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k/M_k$ is semisimple, it is, by hypothesis, M -injective so that $\rho\lambda$ can be extended to an R -homomorphism Θ from xR to $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} N_k/M_k$. Observe that since xR is finitely generated, $\text{Im}(\Theta)$, and hence $\text{Im}(\rho\lambda)$, has finite support. We now argue that this conclusion yields a contradiction. For each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, pick $t_j \in N_j \setminus M_j$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\psi_j \rho \lambda)(t_j) &= (\rho_j \varphi_j \lambda)(t_j) \\
 &= \rho_j \varphi_j(\{t_j + M_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}) \\
 &= \rho_j(t_j + M_j) \\
 &= \rho_j \kappa_j(t_j + M_j) \quad [\text{because } t_j \in N_j \text{ and } \kappa_j \text{ is an inclusion map}] \\
 &= t_j + M_j \\
 &\neq 0 \quad [\text{because } t_j \notin M_j].
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the above that $j \in \text{supp}((\rho\lambda)(t_j))$, whence $\text{supp}(\text{Im}(\rho\lambda)) = \mathbb{N}$. This contradicts the fact that $\text{Im}(\rho\lambda)$ has a finite support.

(\Leftarrow) This is an immediate consequence of the fact that if M is locally noetherian then every direct sum of M -injective modules is M -injective [9]. \square

The following result generalizes the results in [3] on V-rings and SSI-rings.

COROLLARY 1.1. (a) *If M is a V-module, then any locally artinian module is locally noetherian.*

(b) *If M is an SSI-module, then a module N in $\sigma[M]$ is locally artinian if and only if it is semisimple.*

PROOF. (a) If M is a V-module and $0 \neq N \in \sigma[M]$, we can find a maximal proper submodule N_1 . Since N_1 is nonzero, similarly we can find a maximal proper

submodule N_2 of N_1 . Repeating this process we get a chain $N \supset N_1 \supseteq N_2 \supset \dots$ which terminates, if N is locally artinian, in a composition series for N . Thus it follows that N is locally noetherian.

(b) (\Rightarrow) Assume M is an SSI module and $N \in \sigma[M]$ is locally artinian. Take a cyclic submodule xR of N ($x \in N$). Since xR is artinian $\text{Soc}(xR)$ is essential in xR . Since xR is essential in its injective hull $E_M(xR)$ in $\sigma[M]$, we have $E_M(\text{Soc}(xR)) \cong E_M(xR)$. But $\text{Soc}(xR)$ is M -injective. Then $E_M(\text{Soc}(xR)) \cong \text{Soc}(xR)$. Hence $E_M(xR)$ is semisimple. Thus xR is semisimple. It follows that N is semisimple. The converse easily follows from that fact that any semisimple module is locally artinian. □

It is easy to infer from [7, Lemma 5] that $\mathcal{P} = \{N \in \sigma[M]: \text{every proper submodule of } N \text{ is an intersection of maximal submodules of } N\}$ is a preradical class. It is also proved in [7, Proposition 6] that a right noetherian ring R for which all preradical classes in $\text{Mod-}R$ are hereditary torsion classes is a right V -ring.

The following theorem generalizes this result to the full subcategory $\sigma[M]$.

THEOREM 1.4. *Let M be a locally noetherian module such that all preradical classes in the subcategory $\sigma[M]$ of $\text{Mod-}R$ are hereditary torsion classes. Then M is a V -module.*

PROOF. Consider

$$\mathcal{P} = \{N \in \sigma[M]: \text{Rad}(N/N') = 0 \text{ for all } N' \leq N\}.$$

An argument similar to [7, Lemma 5] shows that \mathcal{P} is a preradical class. By hypothesis \mathcal{P} is a hereditary torsion class.

Let L be an arbitrary finitely generated module belonging to $\sigma[M]$. We claim that $L \in \mathcal{P}$. Suppose, on the contrary, that $L \notin \mathcal{P}$.

Define

$$\mathcal{S} = \{U \leq L : L/U \notin \mathcal{P}\}.$$

Observe that $\mathcal{S} \neq \emptyset$ since $0 \in \mathcal{S}$. Since L is noetherian, \mathcal{S} has maximal member, N say. Since $L/N \notin \mathcal{P}$, there exists a submodule \hat{N} of L such that $\hat{N} \supseteq N$ and $\text{Rad}(L/N) = \hat{N}/N \neq 0$.

Observe that if K is any submodule of L satisfying $N \subseteq K \subseteq \hat{N}$, then $\text{Rad}(L/K) = \hat{N}/K$.

Since \hat{N} is noetherian, it has a maximal proper submodule, say K . Clearly \hat{N}/K is simple and thus a member of \mathcal{P} .

It follows from the maximality of N that $L/\hat{N} \in \mathcal{P}$. Since \mathcal{P} is closed under module extensions, this entails $L/K \in \mathcal{P}$, so $\text{Rad}(L/K) = 0$ which contradicts the fact that $\text{Rad}(L/N) = \hat{N}/N \neq 0$.

We conclude that $L \in \mathcal{P}$. We have thus shown that \mathcal{P} contains every finitely generated module belonging to $\sigma[M]$. Since $\sigma[M]$ is generated by its cyclic (and thus finitely generated) members and \mathcal{P} is closed under direct sums and homomorphic

images, we conclude that $\mathcal{P} = \sigma[M]$, whence $\text{Rad}(N) = 0$ for all $N \in \sigma[M]$. The result follows from Theorem 1.1((b) \Rightarrow (a)). \square

THEOREM 1.5. *Let R be a commutative ring. The following statements are equivalent for a right R -module M :*

- (a) M is an SSI-module;
- (b) M is a locally noetherian V -module;
- (c) M is semisimple;
- (d) $\text{ptors-}M = \text{tors-}M$.

PROOF. (a) and (b) are equivalent by Theorem 1.3 without the commutativity assumption on R .

Clearly (c) implies (a) and (d), again, without the commutativity assumption on R .

(b) \Rightarrow (c) Pick $0 \neq x \in M$ and put $I = \{r \in R : xr = 0\}$. Observe that $\text{Mod-}R/I = \{N \in \text{Mod-}R : NI = 0\} \subseteq \sigma[M]$. Take arbitrary $N \in \text{Mod-}R/I$. It follows from Theorem 1.1, that $\text{Rad}(N) = 0$ (N considered as a right R -module). Since the R -submodules and R/I -submodules of N coincide, we may infer that $\text{Rad}(N) = 0$ (N considered as a right R/I -module). It follows that R/I is a V -ring. We know from theory [8, Lemma 5] that a commutative V -ring is Von Neumann Regular. Since R/I is also noetherian (because M is locally noetherian), we conclude that R/I is a semisimple ring (and thus a finite product of fields).

We infer from the above that xR is a semisimple right R -module for every $x \in M$, so M is semisimple.

(d) \Rightarrow (c) Pick $0 \neq x \in M$ and put $I = \{r \in R : xr = 0\}$ and consider the commutative ring R/I . It is easily seen that each member of $\text{ptors-}R/I$ belongs to $\text{ptors-}M$. Since, by hypothesis, $\text{ptors-}M = \text{tors-}M$, it follows that $\text{ptors-}R/I = \text{tors-}R/I$. It follows from [6, Theorem 1, p. 545], [the Viola-Prioli paper] that R/I is a semisimple ring. As argued in the proof of (b) \Rightarrow (c), this entails M is semisimple, as required. \square

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