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Let R be a ring with identity and M a unitary right R -module which is a directsum of indecomposable, injective modules. E. Matlis [13] posed the following question : for any direct summand L of M , is L also a directsum of indecomposable injective modules ? Recently, U.S. Kahlon [9] and K. Yamagata [16] studied this problem under an assumption that the singular submodule of L is equal to zero.

In this short note, we shall show that if the singular submodule of L is equal to zero, then the affirmative answer of Matlis' problem is an immediate consequence from [6] and [10]. Especially, in the section 4, we shall give simpler proofs of generalized Kahlon' results [9]. In sections 2 and 3, we shall give some supplementary results of [7] and [8] .

I. DEFINITIONS

Let R be a ring with identity. We assume that all modules in this note are unitary right R -modules. Let M be an R -module. If $\text{End}_R(M) = S_M$ is a local ring (the Jacobson radical is a unique maximal ideal among left and right ideals), M is called *completely indecomposable*.

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be the induced full sub-category from all completely indecomposable modules M_α in the category of right R -modules $\mathcal{M}_R$, namely every object in $\mathcal{A}$ is a direct sum of some family of $\{M_\alpha\}$ (see [6], § 3). Let M^1, M^2 be objects in $\mathcal{A}$ and $M = \sum_{\alpha} M_\alpha^i$; $M_\alpha^i \in \{M_\alpha\}$. We put $[M^1, M^2] \cap \mathcal{A}' = \{f \in \text{Hom}_R(M^1, M^2), p_\beta f i_\beta^1 : M_\beta^1 \rightarrow M_\beta^2\}$

is non-isomorphic for all $\beta \in I^1$, $\beta' \in I^2$, where $i_{\beta}^1: M_{\beta}^1 \rightarrow M^1$ is the injection and $p_{\beta}^2: M^2 \rightarrow M_{\beta}^2$ is the projection. Then $\mathcal{J}'$ is an ideal in $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{J}'$ is a completely reducible C_3 -abelian category by [6], Theorem 7. If $M^1 = M^2$, we denote $[M^1, M^1] \cap \mathcal{J}'$ by $\mathcal{J}'$.

Let A and f be an object and a morphism in $\mathcal{A}$, respectively. By $\bar{A}$ and $\bar{f}$ we denote the residue classes of A and f in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{J}'$. Let $A \supset B$ be in $\mathcal{A}$ and i the inclusion of B to A . If $\bar{i}$ is isomorphic in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{J}'$, we say B is a *dense submodule* of A (see [7], p. 310-311). We assume $A = C \oplus D$ as R -modules and let e the projection of A onto C . By $\bar{C}$ we denote $\text{Im } \bar{e}$ in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{J}'$, even though C is not in $\mathcal{A}$. Next, we assume that $A \supset B$ are in $\mathcal{M}_R$ and $B = \sum_K \oplus T_{\alpha}$ as R -modules. If $\sum_{K'} \oplus T_{\alpha}$ is a direct summand of A for any finite subset K' of K , then we say that B is a *finitely direct summand* of A (with respect to the decomposition $\sum_K \oplus T_{\alpha}$). It is clear that every directsum of injective modules is a finitely direct summand of its extension module.

We summarize here definitions of the exchange property given in [6], [7], [8] and [10].

Let $\{M_{\alpha}\}_I$ and $\{N_{\beta}\}_J$ be sets of completely indecomposable modules. We put $M = \sum_I \oplus M_{\alpha}$ we recall Condition II given in [6], §3.

II (Take out). For any subset I' of I and any other decomposition $M = \sum_J \oplus N_{\beta}$, there exists a subset $\{N_{\phi(\gamma)}\}_{\gamma \in I'}$, of $\{N_{\beta}\}_J$ such that $M_{\gamma} \approx N_{\phi(\gamma)}$ for all $\gamma \in I'$ and $M = \sum_{I'} \oplus N_{\phi(\gamma)} \oplus \sum_{\alpha \in I-I'} \oplus M_{\alpha}$.

II' (Put in). For the same assumption as above, there exists a subset $\{N_{\psi(\gamma)}\}_{\gamma \in I'}$, such that $M_{\gamma} \approx N_{\psi(\gamma)}$ for all $\gamma \in I'$ and $M = \sum_{\alpha \in I'} \oplus M_{\alpha} \oplus \sum_{\beta \in J-\psi(I')} \oplus N_{\beta}$ where ϕ and ψ are one-to-one mappings of I' into J .

If we replace the subset I' by $I-I'$, then II and II' are equivalent by Azumaya's theorem [1]. Furthermore, Azumaya [1] showed that II and II' are satisfied for any finite subset I' of I .

We remark that if a given decomposition $M = \sum_I \oplus M_\alpha$ satisfies II or II', then any decomposition $M = \sum_J \oplus N_\beta$ does the same property. Because, let $M = \sum_K \oplus T_\delta$ be another decomposition with T_δ indecomposable. Then there exists an automorphism σ of M such that $\sigma(N_\beta) = M_{\pi(\beta)}$ by Azumaya's theorem, where π is a one-to-one mapping of J to I . We apply II or II' for the decompositions $M = \sum_I \oplus M_{\pi(\beta)} = \sum_K \oplus \sigma(T_\delta)$. Then we have $M = \sum_{\gamma \in J'} \oplus \sigma(T_{\phi(\gamma)}) \oplus \sum_{\beta \in J-J'} \oplus M_{\pi(\beta)}$ or $M = \sum_{\beta \in J'} \oplus M_{\pi(\beta)} \oplus \sum_{\delta \in K-\psi(J')} \oplus \sigma(T_\delta)$. Hence, $M = \sigma^{-1}(M) = \sum_{J'} \oplus T_{\phi(\gamma)} \oplus \sum_{\beta \in J-J'} \oplus N_\beta$ or $M = \sum_{J'} \oplus N_\beta \oplus \sum_{\delta \in K-\psi(J')} \oplus T_\delta$.

We note II and II' are independent for fixed two decompositions

$M = \sum_I \oplus M_\alpha = \sum_J \oplus N_\beta$ and a given subset I' of I . For example, we assume there exist non-isomorphic monomorphisms f_i of M_i to M_{i+1} for all $i \in K \subseteq I$. We put $M'_i = \{m_i + f_i(m_i) \mid m_i \in M_i\} \in M_I \oplus M_{i+1}$, $m_i \in M_i$. Then $M = M'_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus M'_3 \oplus \dots \oplus M_o = M_1 \oplus M'_2 \oplus M_3 \oplus M'_4 \oplus \dots \oplus M_o$, where $M_o = \sum_{\alpha \in I-K} \oplus M_\alpha$. It is clear that $N' = M'_1 \oplus M'_3 \oplus \dots \oplus M_o$ has the property II for the second decomposition in the above. However, by the proof of [6], Lemma 9 we know that if N had the property II', then $\{f_i\}$ would be a locally semi-T-nilpotent system (see (see [7], § 1 for the definition). Similarly, $N = M_1 \oplus M_3 \oplus \dots \oplus M_o$ has the property II' for the first decomposition, however if N had the property II, then $\{f_i\}$ would be a locally semi-T-nilpotent system.

We say that a direct summand T of M has the *exchange property* in M if for any decomposition $M = \sum_J \oplus U_\delta$ (U_δ are not necessarily indecomposable),

$M = T \oplus \Sigma \oplus U'_\delta$ and $U_\delta \supseteq U'_\delta$ for all $\delta \in J$. Especially, if T has the above property, whenever all U_δ are indecomposable, we say T has the *exchange property* in M for indecomposable modules. We refer the reader for terminologies to [6] and [7].

2. DIRECT SUMMANDS

First we recall some of main theorems in [7] and [10].

THEOREM 1 ([7], [10]). - Let M be a direct sum of a family of completely indecomposable modules $\{M_\alpha\}_I$. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- 1) M satisfies the property of "take out"
- 2) Every direct summand of M has the exchange property in M
- 3) Every direct summand of M has the exchange property in M for indecomposable modules
- 4) $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ is a locally semi- T -nilpotent system
- 5) $\mathcal{J}$ is the Jacobson radical $\mathcal{J}$ of $S = \text{End}_R(M)$
- 6) Every finitely direct summand M' of M such that $M' = \Sigma_K T_\alpha$ is a direct summand of M for any $[K]$ and any family $\{T_\alpha\}$
- 6') 6) is valid for any K with $K = \aleph_0$, and
- 7) 6') is valid whenever all T_α are completely indecomposable,
- 8) $S/\mathcal{J}$ is a regular ring (and self injective as a one sided module) and every idempotents in $S/\mathcal{J}$ are lifted to S , where $|K|$ is the cardinal number of K .

Proof. $2) \longleftrightarrow 4)$ is proved by [8], Corollary to Proposition 1. We note $1) \rightarrow 4)$ in § 1. $2) \rightarrow 3) \rightarrow 1)$ is clear. $4) \longleftrightarrow 5)$ is proved by [10], Theorem. $6) \rightarrow 6') \rightarrow 7)$ is trivial. $7) \rightarrow 4)$. Let $\{M_{\alpha i}\}_1^\infty$ be any countable sub-family of $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ and let $\{f_i\}_1^\infty$ be a family of non-isomorphisms $f_i : M_i = M_{\alpha i} \rightarrow M_{i+1} = M_{\alpha i+1}$. Put $M' = \sum_1^\infty M_i'$, where $M_i' = \{m_i + f_i(m_i) \mid m_i \in M_i\}$. Since $\sum_1^n M_i' \oplus M_{n+1} = \sum_1^{n+1} M_i$, M' is a finitely direct summand of M . Hence, M' is direct summand of $\sum_1^\infty M_i (=M_0) \subseteq M$ by 7). We know from [8], Theorem 2 that M' is a dense submodule of M_0 . Therefore, $M' = M_0$ by [6], lemma 7, which means that $\{M_i\}_1^\infty$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent (cf. [6], the proof of Lemma 9). $4) \rightarrow 6)$. Let $M' = \sum_K T_\alpha$ be a finitely direct summand of M . We may assume from 2) that all T_α are indecomposable. Now, we consider the above modules in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{I}'$. Let i be the inclusion of M' to M . Since M' is a finitely direct summand of M and $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{I}'$ is a C_3 -abelian, $\bar{i}$ is the inclusion of $\bar{M}'$ into $\bar{M}$ and $\bar{M}' = \sum_K \bar{T}_\alpha$. Then $\bar{M}'$ is a coretract of $\bar{M}$ by [6], Theorem 7. $\{T_\alpha\}_K$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system. Therefore, i is a coretract of M by 5) (cf. [7], the proof of Proposition 2). $5) \longleftrightarrow 8)$ It is clear from [6], Lemma 7 and 13 Corollary to Lemma 6.

Remark 1. In the above proof of $4) \rightarrow 6)$ we only make use of a fact that $\{T_\alpha\}_K$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system.

Next, we study a general type of Matlis' problem. The following theorem combines [10] and [14].

THEOREM 2. - Let M be a directsum of completely indecomposable modules M_α ;

$M_\alpha = \sum_I M_\alpha$ and $\{M_\beta\}_J$ the sub-family of countably generated R -modules M_β of $\{M_\alpha\}_I$. We assume $\{M_\gamma\}_{I-J}$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system. Then every direct summand of M is in $\mathcal{A}$.

Proof. Let $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$ and $K = I - J$. Each N_i contains a dense submodule $T_i = \sum_{L_i} \oplus M'_{\gamma i}$ such that $M \approx T_1 \oplus T_2$ by [6], Theorem 1 for $i = 1, 2$, where $M'_{\gamma i}$ is isomorphic to some M_α ; $\alpha \in I$. We divide L_i into two partitions $L_i = J_i \cup K_i$ such that for $\gamma_i \in J_i$ (resp. K_i) $M'_{\gamma i}$ is isomorphic to some M_α ; $\alpha \in J$ (resp. K). Since $\{M'_{\gamma i}\}_{K_i}$ is locally semi-T-nilpotent, $T'_i = \sum_{K_i} \oplus M'_{\gamma i}$ is a direct summand of N_i by Remark 1 and [7], proposition 2, say $N_i = T'_i \oplus N'_i$. Furthermore, $T'_1 \oplus T'_2$ has the exchange property in M by [7], Theorem 2. Hence, $N'_1 \oplus N'_2 \approx \sum_{J'} \oplus M'_\beta \oplus \sum_{K'} \oplus M'_\gamma$. We consider those modules in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{J}$. Then $\bar{M} = \bar{T}'_1 \oplus \bar{T}'_2 \oplus \sum_{J'} \oplus \bar{M}'_{\gamma i} \oplus \sum_{K'} \oplus \bar{M}'_{\gamma i}$. On the other hand, $\bar{M} = \bar{N}_1 \oplus \bar{N}_2 = \bar{T}'_1 \oplus \bar{N}'_1 \oplus \bar{T}'_2 \oplus \bar{N}'_2 = \bar{T}'_1 \oplus \bar{T}'_2 \oplus \sum_{J'} \oplus \bar{M}'_\beta \oplus \sum_{K'} \oplus \bar{M}'_\gamma$, where $M'_\delta \approx M_\delta$. Hence $\sum_{J_1} \oplus \bar{M}'_{\gamma i} \oplus \sum_{J_2} \oplus \bar{M}'_{\gamma i} \approx \sum_{J'} \oplus \bar{M}'_\beta \oplus \sum_{K'} \oplus \bar{M}'_\gamma$. Since all $M'_{\gamma i}$ in the left side are countably generated, $K' = \emptyset$ by [6], Theorem 7. Therefore, N'_1 is in $\mathcal{A}$ by [14] or [7], Proposition 3. We have completed the proof.

In Theorem 2 if N_1 is injective, NN_1 is in $\mathcal{A}$ by [4], [9] or [15] without any assumption. Similarly

PROPOSITION 1. - Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and N a direct summand of M . If N is projective, N is in $\mathcal{A}$.

Proof. By [11], Theorem 1, N is a directsum of countably generated R -submodules P_α . Furthermore, P_α is in $\mathcal{A}$ by [7], Proposition 3. Hence, N is in $\mathcal{A}$.

The following corollary was given with an assumption that $J(P)$ is small in P by [12], Theorem 5.5 and [7], Proposition 5.

COROLLARY. - Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and R -projective. Then every direct summand P of M is in $\mathcal{A}$.

It is also clear.

We give a property of dense submodules.

PROPOSITION 2. - Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and N a direct summand of M . Then there exists a submodule N' of M satisfying the following properties :

- 1) N' is in $\mathcal{A}$, 2) N' is a finitely direct summand of N and 3) If $T = \sum_J T_\alpha$ is finitely direct summand of N , T is isomorphic to a direct summand of N' , where T_α 's are indecomposable.

Especially, every countable generated R -submodule of N is isomorphic to a submodule of N' . Every submodule N'' of N satisfying 1) and 2) is isomorphic to a direct summand of any dense submodule of N .

Proof. Let N' be a dense submodule of N . Then N' satisfies 1) and 2) by [7], Proposition 2. Let e and e_α be projections of M to N and T_α with respect to given decompositions. Then $ee_\alpha = e_\alpha$ for all $\alpha \in J$. We consider those modules in $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{I}$. Since T is a finitely direct summand of $N(\subseteq M)$, $\bar{T} = \sum_J \bar{T}_\alpha \subseteq \text{Im } \bar{e} = \bar{N}'$. Hence, T is isomorphic to a direct summand of N' by [6], Theorem 7. We easily see that for two finitely generated submodules $T_1 \supseteq T_2$ in N , we can find a direct summand T'_i of N such that $T'_i \supseteq T_i$, $T'_1 \supseteq T'_2$ and T'_i is a finite directsum of indecomposable modules for $i = 1, 2$ (cf. [7], the proof of Proposition 3). Since $T'_1 \supseteq T'_2$, we can find a monomorphism of T_1 to N' which is an extension of a given monomorphism of T_2 to N' by [6], Theorem 7.

Hence, every countably generated R -submodule of N is isomorphic to a submodule of N' by the standard argument. Let N'' be a submodule satisfying 1) and 2). Then $\bar{N}' \subseteq \bar{N}''$. Hence, the last statement is clear from [6], theorem 7.

3. EXCHANGE PROPERTY

It seems to the author that the difficulty of the exchange property in M comes from the following facts. Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and $M = N_1 \oplus N_2 \oplus N_3$ as R -modules. It is well known from [2] that if N_1 and N_2 have the exchange property in M , then so is $N_1 \oplus N_2$, however the converse is not true. Furthermore, even if neither N_1 nor N_2 has the exchange property in M , it is possible that $N_1 \oplus N_2$ does.

We note that if a direct summand L of M has the exchange property, then L is in $\mathcal{A}$. The following theorem is a slight generalization of some parts in Theorem 1.

THEOREM 3. - Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Let f be the projection of M onto N_1 . Then $fJ'f = fJf$ if and only if every direct summand of N_1 has the exchange property in M . In the case N_2 also has the exchange property in M , where J' is the ideal defined in §1 and J is the Jacobson radical of $S = \text{End}_R(M)$.

Proof. "Only if" . Let $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$ and M'_α 's are completely indecomposable. We can find a subset J of I such that $\bar{M}_J = \sum_J \bar{M}_\alpha \approx \text{Im } \bar{f}$ in $\mathcal{A}/J'$ by [6], Theorem 7. Let e be the projection of M to M_J . Then $fS/fJ' \approx eS/eJ'$.

Hence, there exist $a \in eSf$, $b \in fSe$ such that $ba \equiv f \pmod{\mathcal{J}'}$. Put $f-ba = n \in \mathcal{J}'$, then $n \in f\mathcal{J}'f = f\mathcal{J}f$, which is the radical of $S_{N_1} = \text{End}_R(N_1)$. Hence, ba is an automorphism of fS as an S -module. Therefore, $eS = f_1S \oplus f_2S$ and $f_1S \overset{a}{\approx} fS$, $f_2S = \text{Ker } b$ and $f_i^2 = f_i$. Since b induces $eS/e\mathcal{J}' \approx fS/f\mathcal{J}'$, $f_2S = f_2\mathcal{J}' \subseteq \mathcal{J}'$. Hence, $f_2 = 0$ by [1], Theorem 1 or [6], Lemma 7 and $eS \approx fS$, which implies $N_1 \approx M_J$. Therefore, $\{M_\alpha\}_J$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system by Theorem 1. Thus, we have proved "only if" from [8], Corollary to Theorem 2. "if". $N_1 = \sum_K \oplus M'_Y$ and $\{M'_Y\}$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system by [8], Corollary to Theorem 2. Hence, $f\mathcal{J}'f = f\mathcal{J}f$ by Theorem 1 and [6], Lemma 5. The remaining part is clear from [8], Theorem 2.

COROLLARY . - Let M and N_1 be as above. If for every monomorphism g in S_{N_1} . $\text{Im } g$ is a direct summand of N (i.e. $gS_{N_1} = eS_{N_1}$, $e^2 = e$), then N_2 and every direct summand of N_1 have the exchange property in M . Especially, if N_1 is quasi-injective, N_i has the exchange property in M for $i = 1, 2$, (cf. [4]).

Proof. Let $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$ and f be the projection of M to N_1 . We take any element a in $f\mathcal{J}'f$. Then $\text{Ker } (1-a) = 0$ by [1], Theorem 2 and $\text{Im } (1-a) = \text{Im } ((1-a)|_{N_1}) \oplus N_2$. Since $\text{Im } ((1-a)|_{N_1})$ is a direct summand of N_1 by the assumption, $\text{Im } (1-a)$ is a direct summand of M . On the other hand, $\text{Im } (1-a)$ is a dense submodule of M by [7], Theorem 2 and hence, $M = \text{Im } (1-a)$. Therefore, $f-a$ is an automorphism of N_1 , which implies $f\mathcal{J}'f = f\mathcal{J}f$. Hence, N_i has the exchange property by the theorem. The remaining part of the corollary is immediate from the above.

In Theorem 4 below, we shall show the converse of Corollary in a special case.

Remark 2. [6], Proposition 10 and [9], Theorem I are special cases of Corollary I.

It is shown in [8], Remark in p. 52 that the exchange property does not imply the locally semi-T-nilpotency. In a special case we have

PROPOSITION 3. Let $\{M_i\}^\infty$, be a set of completely indecomposable modules such that M_i is monomorphic, but not isomorphic to M_{i+1} (cf. [6], p. 340 and [8], Corollary 3). 1) Let $M = \sum_1^\infty M_i = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Then N_1 has the exchange property in M if and only if either N_1 or N_2 is a directsum of indecomposable modules $\{M'_i\}$ which is a semi-T-nilpotent system, (in this case, a finite directsum of M'_i). 2) We further assume that each M_i itself is a locally T-nilpotent system and $M = \sum M'_\alpha$; $M'_\alpha \approx M_i$ for some i and $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Then we have the same statement in 1).

Proof. 1) "If part" is clear from [8], Theorem 2. We assume that N_1 has the exchange property. Then N_i is in $\mathcal{A}$: say $N_i = \sum_{k \in J^i} T_k^i$, where $T_k^i \approx M_m$ for some m . if J^i were infinite for $i = 1, 2$, we would have a contradiction from the assumption and [8], Lemma 2. 2) We can prove it similarly to 1).

PROPOSITION 4. - Let $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$ and M_α be isomorphic to a completely indecomposable module M_1 for all $\alpha \in I$. Let $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Then N_1 has the exchange property in M if and only if M itself is a locally T-nilpotent system or either N_1 or N_2 is isomorphic to a finite directsum of M_1 .

Proof. It is clear from [8], Lemma 2.

COROLLARY. - Let P be a completely indecomposable and projective module and

$M = \sum_I P_{\alpha}$; $P_{\alpha} \approx P$. Let $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Then N_1 has the exchange property in M if and only if either N_1 or N_2 is semi-perfect or equivalently $J(N_i)$ is small in N_I for $i = 1$ or 2 .

Proof. It is clear from Proposition 4 and [7], Theorem 7.

4. MODULES WITH ZERO SINGULAR SUBMODULES.

In this section, we study Matlis' problem and give simpler proofs of slightly generalized results of [9], Theorems 2 and 3.

Let N be an R -module. We denote the singular submodule of N by $Z(N)$, namely $Z(N) = \{n \in N, (0:n) \text{ is large in } R\}$. The following lemma is well known and essential in this section.

LEMMA. - Let $\{N_{\alpha}\}_I$ be a set of indecomposable injective modules. If $Z(N_{\alpha}) = 0$ any homomorphism of N_{α} to N_{α} , is either isomorphic or zero. Especially, if $Z(N_{\alpha}) = 0$ for all $\alpha \in I$, $\{N_{\alpha}\}$ is a locally T -nilpotent system.

Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. Then we note that N_1 always contains direct summands which are finite directsums of indecomposable modules (cf. [6], Corollary 1 in p. 334).

PROPOSITION 5. - Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$. We assume that for any decomposable direct summand T_1, T_2 of N_1 non-zero elements in $\text{Hom}_R(T_1, T_2)$ are always isomorphic. Then N_i is in $\mathcal{A}$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Proof. Let $\sum_J T_\beta$ be a dense submodule of N_1 , where T_β 's are indecomposable. Every T_β is a direct summand of N_1 by [6], Proposition 2. Hence $\{T_\beta\}_J$ is a locally T-nilpotent system by the assumption. Therefore, $N_1 = \sum_J T_\beta$ and N_2 is in $\mathcal{A}$ by Remark 1, [7], Proposition 2 and [8], Theorem 2.

COROLLARY. - ([16], Theorem 4). Let $\{M_\alpha\}_I$ be a family of indecomposable injective modules and $M = \sum_I M_\alpha$. If $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$ and $Z(N_1) = 0$, then N_i is in $\mathcal{A}$ for $i = 1, 2$ (cf. [9], Theorem 3).

Proof. It is clear from Lemma and Proposition 5.

THEOREM 4. - Let $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ be a family of injective and indecomposable modules and $E = \sum_I E_\alpha$. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- 1) $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system
- 2) Any extension module M , in $\mathcal{A}$, of E contains E as a direct summand
- 3) There are no proper and essential extensions, in $\mathcal{A}$, of E and
- 4) $\text{Im } g$ is a direct summand of E for any monomorphism g in S_E .

Proof. 4) $\longrightarrow$ 1) is proved by Theorem 1 and Corollary 1 to Theorem 3. 1) $\longrightarrow$ 4) by the assumption and Theorem 1 $\text{Im } g = \sum_K E_\beta$; $E'_\beta \approx E_\alpha$ for some α . Since E'_β is injective, $\text{Im } g$ is a finitely direct summand of M . On the other hand, $\{E'_\beta\}_K$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system by Theorem 1. Hence, $\text{Im } g$ is a direct summand of M from Remark 1. 1) $\longrightarrow$ 2) is clear from Theorem 1. 2) $\longrightarrow$ 3) is trivial. 3) $\longrightarrow$ 1) We assume that $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ is not locally semi-T-nilpotent.

Then we have a sub-family $\{E_i\}_1^\infty$ of $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ such that there exist non-isomorphisms $f_i: E_i \rightarrow E_{i+1}$ and an element x in E with a property : $f_n f_{n-1} \dots f_1(x) \neq 0$ for all n . We note $\text{Ker } f_i \neq 0$ for all i , since E_i is injective and indecomposable. Put $E'_i = \{x_i + f_i(x_i) \mid x_i \in E_i \oplus E_{i+1}\} \subseteq \sum_1^\infty E_j$ and $E = \sum_1^\infty E_j \oplus E_0$. Then $E_i \cap (\sum_j E'_j) \supseteq \text{Ker } f_i \neq 0$. Hence, $\sum_j E'_j \oplus E_0$ is essential in E . It is clear $x \in E - (\sum_j E'_j \oplus E_0)$. Let E^* be an injective hull of E . Then we can extend an isomorphism ϕ of $\sum_j E'_j \oplus E_0$ onto E to a monomorphism of E^* . Hence $\phi(\sum_j E'_j \oplus E_0) = E \subseteq \phi(E) = \sum_I \phi(E_\alpha) \in \mathcal{A}$.

COROLLARY 1. - We assume further in Theorem 4 that all E_α are noetherian.

Then we obtain all of 1) $\sim$ 4) in Theorem 4.

Proof. Let E_1, E_2 and E_3 be injective, indecomposable and noetherian modules, and $f_i: E_i \rightarrow E_{i+1}$ non-isomorphisms. Then $\text{Ker } f_i \neq 0$ and $\text{Im } f_1 \cap \text{Ker } f_2 \neq 0$ if $f_1 \neq 0$, since E_2 is uniform. Hence, $\text{Ker } f_1 \subsetneq \text{Ker } f_2 f_1$ if $f_1 \neq 0$. Therefore, $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ is a T-nilpotent system.

COROLLARY 2. Let M be in $\mathcal{A}$ and L a submodule of M . We assume that $Z(L) = 0$ and L is a directsum of injective modules. Then L is a direct summand of M (cf. [9], Theorem 2).

Proof. Since every injective submodule of M is in $\mathcal{A}$ by Corollary to Theorem 3, L is a direct summand of M by Lemma and Theorem 4.

Remark 3. Let $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ be a family of indecomposable, injective modules. In

general, $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ is not locally semi-T-nilpotent and hence, $\sum_I \oplus E_\alpha$ is not quasi-injective. Furthermore, even if all E_α is not injective. If either $E = \sum_I \oplus E_\alpha$ is (quasi-)injective or $Z(E) = 0$, $\{E_\alpha\}_I$ is a locally semi-T-nilpotent system. However, the converse is not true as follows. Let K be a commutative, local Frobenius ring with $Z(K) \neq 0$, $M_{21} = \sum_1^\infty \oplus K_i$; $K_i \approx K$, $M_{32} = \text{Hom}_K(M_{21}, K) = \pi K_i$ and $M_{31} = K$. Then

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} K & & 0 \\ M_{21} & K & \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & K \end{pmatrix} = T(K, K, K; M_{ij})$$

is a ring (cf. [5], p. 23). Put $e_1 = T(1, 0, 0; 0)$ and $e_3 = T(0, 0, 1; 0)$, then $\text{Hom}_K(Re_1, K) \approx e_3R$ is R -injective. Since $e_3Re_3 = K$ is local, e_3R is indecomposable and e_3R itself is a T-nilpotent system. It is clear that $Z(e_3R) \supseteq (Z(K), 0, 0) \neq 0$. Put $S_i = (M_{31}, \prod_{j=i}^\infty K_j, K) \subseteq e_3R$. Then $(0; S_1)_R \subsetneq (0; S_j)_R$ if $i < j$. Hence, $\sum_1^\infty \oplus e_3R$ is not injective by [3]. However, I do not know whether $\sum_1^\infty \oplus e_3R$ is quasi-injective or not. If we can construct a self-injective and perfect, but not Σ -injective ring S (or a self-injective and local, but not Σ -injective ring with $Z(S) = 0$), then $\sum_I \oplus S$ is not quasi-injective but $\{S\}_I$ is a T-nilpotent system.

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