



RAD- \oplus -SUPPLEMENTED MODULES

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Abstract

In this paper we provide various properties of $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented modules. In particular, we prove that a projective module M is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented if and only if M is \oplus -supplemented, and then we show that a commutative ring R is an artinian serial ring if and only if every left R -module is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Moreover, every left R -module has the property (P^*) if and only if R is an artinian serial ring and $J^2 = 0$, where J is the Jacobson radical of R . Finally, we show that every Rad -supplemented module is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented over dedekind domains.

1 Introduction

Throughout this paper, it is assumed that R is an associative ring with identity and all modules are unital left R -modules. A submodule N of an R -module M will be denoted by $N \leq M$. A submodule $L \leq M$ is said to be *essential* in M , denoted as $L \trianglelefteq M$, if $L \cap N \neq 0$ for every nonzero submodule $N \leq M$. Dually, a submodule N of M is called *small* (in M) and denoted by $N \ll M$, if $N + L \neq M$ for every proper submodule L of M . The Jacobson radical of M will be denoted by $Rad(M)$. Equivalently, $Rad(M)$ is the sum of all small submodules of M .

A nonzero module M is said to be *hollow* if every proper submodule is small in M , and it is said to be *local* if it is hollow and is finitely generated. M is local if and only if it is finitely generated and $Rad(M)$ is maximal (see

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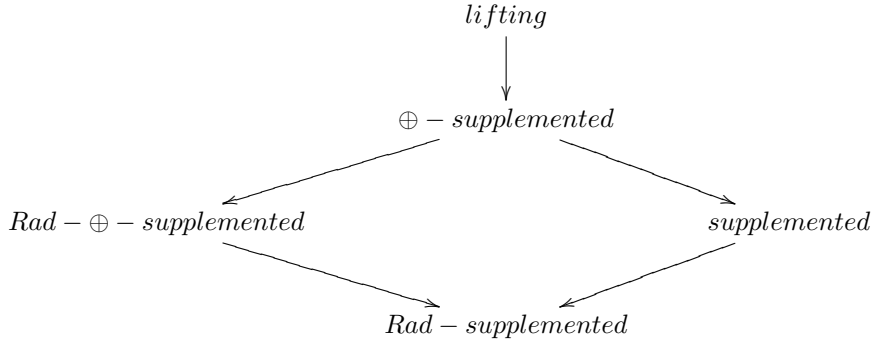
[6, 2.12§2.15]). A ring R is said to be *local* if J is maximal, where J is the Jacobson radical of R .

For any ring R , an R -module M is called *supplemented* if every submodule N of M has a *supplement*, that is a submodule K minimal with respect to $N + K = M$. K is a supplement of N in M if and only if $N + K = M$ and $N \cap K \ll K$ [17]. Every direct summand of a module M is a supplement submodule of M , and supplemented modules are a proper generalization of artinian modules.

Mohamed and Müller [12] call a module M *\oplus -supplemented* if every submodule N of M has a supplement that is a direct summand of M [12]. Clearly every \oplus -supplemented module is supplemented, but a supplemented module need not be \oplus -supplemented in general (see [12, Lemma A.4 (2)]). It is shown in [12, Proposition A.7 and Proposition A.8] that if R is a dedekind domain, every supplemented R -module is \oplus -supplemented. Hollow modules are \oplus -supplemented. Characterizations and the structure of supplemented and \oplus -supplemented modules are extensively studied by many authors. We specifically mention [8, 10, 12, 17, 19] among papers concerning supplemented and \oplus -supplemented modules.

A module M is *lifting* if every submodule N of M contains a direct summand L of M such that $M = L \oplus K$ and $N \cap K \ll K$ (see [6]). Every projective module over a left artinian ring is lifting, and lifting modules are \oplus -supplemented. In addition, every π -projective supplemented module is lifting (see [17, 41.15]). Here a module M over an arbitrary ring is called *π -projective* if for every two submodules U, V of M such that $U + V = M$, there exists an endomorphism f of M with $f(M) \leq U$ and $(1 - f)(M) \leq V$ [17]. For example, projective modules are π -projective.

Let M be a module. Weakening the “supplement” condition, one calls a submodule K of M *Rad-supplement* of N in M (in [18], *generalized supplement*) if $M = N + K$ and $N \cap K \leq \text{Rad}(K)$ [6, pp. 100]. Adapting the concept of supplemented modules, we say that M is *Rad-supplemented* if every submodule has a *Rad-supplement* in M , and M is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* if every submodule has a *Rad-supplement* that is a direct summand of M [4, 7]. Under given definitions, we clearly have the following implication on modules:



Let $f : P \rightarrow M$ be an epimorphism. Xue [18] calls f a *(generalized) cover* if $(\text{Ker}(f) \leq \text{Rad}(P)) \text{Ker}(f) \ll P$, and calls a *(generalized) cover* f a *(generalized) projective cover* if P is a projective module. In the spirit of [18], a module M is said to be *(generalized) semiperfect* if every factor module of M has a *(generalized) projective cover*. Every *(generalized) semiperfect* module is *(Rad-)* supplemented.

In this paper, we study the properties of *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* modules. We prove that a projective module M is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* if and only if it is \oplus -supplemented. It follows that a ring R is left perfect if and only if every projective left R -module is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*. Every π -projective *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* module M has the property (P^*) , i.e., for every submodule $N \leq M$, there exists a decomposition $M = K \oplus L$ such that $K \leq N$ and $N \cap L \leq \text{Rad}(L)$. We prove that every left R -module has the property (P^*) if and only if R is an artinian serial ring and $J^2 = 0$, where J is the Jacobson radical of R . We show that the class of weakly distributive *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* modules is closed under factor modules, and we prove that a commutative ring R is an artinian serial ring if and only if every left R -module is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*. We also prove that over dedekind domains every *Rad-supplemented* module is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*. Finally, we completely determine the structure of *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* modules over local dedekind domains.

2 Rad- \oplus -Supplemented Modules

Every \oplus -supplemented module is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*; however, the converse is not always true (see [9, Example 3.11]). Now we prove that every projective *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* module is \oplus -supplemented. We start with the following key Lemma.

Lemma 2.1. *Let M be a projective module. If M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, then $\text{Rad}(M) \ll M$.*

Proof. Let $M = \text{Rad}(M) + N$ for some submodule N of M . Since M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, there exists a direct summand V of M such that $M = N + V$ and $V \cap N \leq \text{Rad}(V)$. Then, it follows from [11, Theorem 5.3.4 (b)] that V is projective. Now, for all $v \in V$,

$$\alpha : V \longrightarrow \frac{M}{N}, \quad \text{defined by} \quad \alpha(v) := v + N$$

is an epimorphism and $\text{Ker}(\alpha) = N \cap V$. That is, α is a generalized cover since $\text{Ker}(\alpha) = N \cap V \leq \text{Rad}(V)$. From $M = \text{Rad}(M) + N$, it follows immediately that $\text{Rad}(\frac{M}{N}) = \frac{M}{N}$. Then, since $\frac{M}{N}$ has a generalized projective cover, it is easy to see that $\frac{M}{N} = 0$. That is, $M = N$. Hence we obtain that $\text{Rad}(M) \ll M$. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let M be a projective module. M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented if and only if it is \oplus -supplemented.*

Proof. Suppose that M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Since M is projective, it follows from Lemma 2.1 that $\text{Rad}(M) \ll M$. Then, by [7, Proposition 2.1], M is \oplus -supplemented. The converse is clear. \square

A ring R is called *left perfect* if every left R -module has a projective cover [17, 43.9]. It is well known that R is left perfect if and only if every projective left R -module is \oplus -supplemented. Using this fact along with the above Theorem we obtain the following:

Corollary 2.3. *Let R be a ring. R is left perfect if and only if every projective left R -module is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Recall that a module M is called *radical* if M has no maximal submodules, that is, $M = \text{Rad}(M)$. We denote by $P(M)$ the sum of all radical submodules of M . It is easy to see that $P(M)$ is the largest radical submodule of M . If $P(M) = 0$, M is called *reduced*. Note that $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is reduced for every left R -module M .

Proposition 2.4. *Let M be a module. If M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, then the factor module $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ of M is \oplus -supplemented.*

Proof. Firstly, we have $f(\text{Rad}(P(M))) \leq \text{Rad}(P(M))$ for each $f \in \text{End}_R(M)$ by [6, 2.8 (1) (2)]. Note that $P(M) = \text{Rad}(P(M))$. Thus $f(P(M)) \leq P(M)$ for each $f \in \text{End}_R(M)$. Since M is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, it follows from [9, Proposition 3.5.(1)] that $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is $\text{Rad}\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Let $P(M) \leq U \leq M$.

Then there exists a direct summand $\frac{V}{P(M)}$ of $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ such that $\frac{M}{P(M)} = \frac{U}{P(M)} + \frac{V}{P(M)}$ and $\frac{U \cap V}{P(M)} \leq \text{Rad}(\frac{V}{P(M)})$. Since $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is reduced, it follows from [4, Theorem 4.6] that $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is coatomic, so $\text{Rad}(\frac{M}{P(M)}) \ll \frac{M}{P(M)}$. Thus $\frac{U \cap V}{P(M)} \ll \frac{M}{P(M)}$ and therefore $\frac{U \cap V}{P(M)} \ll \frac{V}{P(M)}$ by [17, 19.3.(5)]. This means that $\frac{V}{P(M)}$ is a supplement of $\frac{U}{P(M)}$ in $\frac{M}{P(M)}$. Hence $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is \oplus -supplemented. \square

We say that a module M is *completely Rad- \oplus -supplemented* if every direct summand of M is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented* as in [15].

Corollary 2.5. *$P(M)$ is completely Rad- \oplus -supplemented for every R -module M .*

Proof. Let M be a module and let N be a direct summand of $P(M)$. Note that every radical module is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*. Therefore it suffices to show that N is radical. Since N is a direct summand of $P(M)$, we can write $P(M) = N \oplus L$ for some submodule L of $P(M)$. By [17, 21.6.(5)], we have $P(M) = \text{Rad}(P(M)) = \text{Rad}(N \oplus L) = \text{Rad}(N) \oplus \text{Rad}(L)$. By the modular law, $N = N \cap P(M) = N \cap (\text{Rad}(N) \oplus \text{Rad}(L)) = \text{Rad}(N) \oplus \text{Rad}(L) \cap N = \text{Rad}(N)$, i.e., N is radical. Hence $P(M)$ is completely *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*. \square

Proposition 2.6. *Let M be a Rad- \oplus -supplemented module. If every Rad-supplement in M is a direct summand of M , then M is completely Rad- \oplus -supplemented.*

Proof. Let N be a direct summand of M . Then we can write $M = N \oplus L$ for some submodule L of M . Since M is *Rad- \oplus -supplemented*, it is *Rad-supplemented* and therefore N is *Rad-supplemented* by [2, 2.2 (2)]. Let $U \leq N$, then U has a *Rad-supplement* V in N . Now we argue that V is a direct summand of N . Note that

$$M = N \oplus L = (U + V) + L = (U + L) + V,$$

and

$$(U + L) \cap V \leq (U + V) \cap L + (L + V) \cap U = (L + V) \cap U \leq U.$$

Then $(U + L) \cap V \leq U \cap V \leq \text{Rad}(V)$. This means that V is a *Rad-supplement* of $(U + L)$ in M . By our assumption, we can write $M = V \oplus V'$ for some submodule V' of M . It follows by the modular law that $N = V \oplus V' \cap N$. This completes the proof. \square

Let M be a module. M is said to have *the property (P*)* if for every submodule $N \leq M$ there exists a direct summand K of M such that $K \leq N$ and $\frac{N}{K} \leq \text{Rad}(\frac{M}{K})$ [1]. Equivalently, for every submodule $N \leq M$ there exists a decomposition $M = K \oplus L$ such that $K \leq N$ and $N \cap L \leq \text{Rad}(L)$.

Proposition 2.7. *Let M be a module. If M has the property (P^*) , then M is completely $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Proof. Let N be a direct summand of M and let $U \leq N$. Since M has the property (P^*) , there exists a submodule X of U such that $M = X \oplus X'$ and $U \cap X' \leq \text{Rad}(X')$ for some submodule X' of M . By the modular law, we can write $N = X \oplus N \cap X'$. This means that $N \cap X'$ is a direct summand of N . Therefore $N = U + N \cap X'$.

Next, we prove that $U \cap (N \cap X') = U \cap X' \leq \text{Rad}(N \cap X')$. Let m be any element of $U \cap X'$. Since $U \cap X' \leq \text{Rad}(X')$, by [11, 9.1.3.(a)], we get $Rm \ll X'$ so that $Rm \ll M$. Applying [17, 19.3.(5)] twice, we first obtain $Rm \ll N$ and then $Rm \ll N \cap X'$. By [11, 9.1.3.(a)], we have $U \cap X' \leq \text{Rad}(N \cap X')$. \square

Recall that a π -projective module M is \oplus -supplemented if and only if the module is lifting [17, 41.15]. Now we shall prove analogous characterization for $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented modules.

Theorem 2.8. *A π -projective module M is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented if and only if M has the property (P^*) .*

Proof. (\implies) Let U be a submodule of M . Then, we have the sum $M = U + V$, where V is a direct summand of M . Since M is a π -projective module, we can write $M = X \oplus V$ for some submodule X of M by [6, 4.14.(1)]. It follows that, for $U \leq M$, there exists a decomposition $M = X \oplus V$ such that $X \leq U$ and $U \cap V \leq \text{Rad}(V)$. This means that M has the property (P^*) .

(\impliedby) By Proposition 2.7. \square

Clearly lifting modules has the property (P^*) , but the converse is not true in general. For example, the left \mathbb{Z} -module \mathbb{Q} has the property (P^*) but it is not lifting. If a module M is projective, then we have the following fact.

Proposition 2.9. *Let M be a module. If M is projective and has the property (P^*) , then M is lifting.*

Proof. By Proposition 2.7, M is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Applying Theorem 2.2, we obtain that M is \oplus -supplemented. Since M is projective, it is π -projective and thus M is lifting by [17, 41.15]. \square

Before giving the following corollary which summarizes the combined results of Theorem 2.2, Theorem 2.8 and Proposition 2.9, we recall some known definitions. For a module M , consider the following conditions:

(D_2) If N is a submodule of M such that $\frac{M}{N}$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of M , then N is a direct summand of M .

(D_3) For every direct summands K and L of M with $M = K + L$, $K \cap L$ is a direct summand of M .

In [12], a module M is called *discrete* if M is lifting and satisfies the property (D_2). This is equivalent to M is supplemented, π -projective and direct projective (see [6, 27.1]). The module M is called *quasi-discrete* if it is lifting and satisfies the property (D_3). We know that M is quasi-discrete if and only if it is supplemented and π -projective (see [6, 26.6]).

Corollary 2.10. *For a projective module M , the following conditions are equivalent.*

1. M is supplemented.
2. M is \oplus -supplemented.
3. M is Rad- \oplus -supplemented.
4. M has the property (P^*).
5. M is lifting.
6. M is (quasi-) discrete.

Proof. (1) \implies (2) It is obvious according to [17, 41.15].

(2) \implies (3) By Theorem 2.2.

(3) \implies (4) It follows from Theorem 2.8.

(4) \implies (5) It is proven in Proposition 2.9.

(5) \implies (6) Clear since projective modules are direct projective and π -projective.

(6) \implies (1) Trivial. □

Now, we shall characterize the rings whose modules have the property (P^*) in the following Corollary.

Corollary 2.11. *The following statements are equivalent for a ring R .*

1. Every left R -module has the property (P^*).
2. Every left R -module is lifting.
3. R is an artinian serial ring and $J^2 = 0$, where J is the Jacobson radical of R .

Proof. (1) \implies (2) Observe first that R is a left perfect ring. Let F be any projective R -module. By the hypothesis, F has the property (P^*) . Since F is projective, it is π -projective and so F is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented by Theorem 2.8. It follows from Corollary 2.3 that R is left perfect.

For any module M , let $U \leq M$. By assumption, there exists a decomposition $M = U \oplus V$ such that $K \leq U$ and $U \cap V \leq Rad(V)$. Since R is left perfect, we have that $U \cap V \ll V$. This means that M is lifting.

(2) \iff (3) See [6, 29.10].

(2) \implies (1) Clear. □

A module M is called *weakly distributive* if every submodule N of M is weak distributive, i.e., $N = U \cap N + V \cap N$ whenever $M = U + V$ (see [5]). It follows from [7, Example 4.1] that factor modules of a $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented module need not be $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, in general. For weakly distributive modules we have the following fact:

Theorem 2.12. *Every factor module of a weakly distributive $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented module is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Proof. Suppose that a module M is weakly distributive $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Let $N \leq U \leq M$. Then there exist submodules V and L of M such that $M = U + V$, $U \cap V \leq Rad(V)$ and $M = V \oplus L$. By [9, Lemma 3.4], $\frac{V+N}{N}$ is a Rad -supplement of $\frac{U}{N}$ of $\frac{M}{N}$. Since M is a weakly distributive module, we conclude that $N = V \cap N + L \cap N$. It follows that

$$\left(\frac{V+N}{N}\right) \cap \left(\frac{L+N}{N}\right) = \frac{(V+N) \cap L+N}{N} = \frac{(V+L \cap N) \cap L+N}{N} = \frac{V \cap L + L \cap N + N}{N} = 0.$$

Hence $\frac{V+N}{N}$ is a direct summand of $\frac{M}{N}$. This means that $\frac{M}{N}$ is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. □

It is proven in [9, Theorem 3.3] that every finite direct sum of $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented modules is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. The following example shows that the class of $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented is not closed under infinite direct sums.

Example 2.13. Let R be a local dedekind domain (i.e. DVR) with quotient $K \neq R$ (e.g. the ring $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ containing all rational numbers of the form $\frac{a}{b}$ with $p \nmid b$ for any prime p in \mathbb{Z}). Since R is local, it follows that R is \oplus -supplemented and therefore R is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. On the other hand, by Corollary 2.3, there exists a projective R -module which is not $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented because R is not field.

A module M is said to be a *duo module* if every submodule N of M is fully invariant [13]. Now we prove that direct sums of $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented modules is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented, under a certain condition: namely, when M

is a duo module. The proof of the next result is taken from [16, Theorem 1], but is given for the sake of completeness.

Proposition 2.14. *Let M_i ($i \in I$) be any infinite collection of $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented modules and let $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$. If M is a duo module, then M is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Proof. Let $U \leq M$. Since M is a duo module, by [13, Lemma 2.1], $U = \bigoplus_{i \in I} (M_i \cap U)$. By the hypothesis, there exists a submodule V_i of M_i such that $M_i = M_i \cap U + V_i$ and $(M_i \cap U) \cap V_i = U \cap V_i \leq \text{Rad}(V_i)$ for every $i \in I$. Let $V = \bigoplus_{i \in I} V_i$. Note that V is a direct summand of M . Then

$$M = U + V$$

and

$$U \cap V = \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} (M_i \cap U) \right) \cap \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} V_i \right) \leq \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{Rad}(V_i) = \text{Rad}(V)$$

by [17, 21.6.(5)]. It follows that V is a Rad -supplement of U in M . Thus M is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented. \square

It is shown in [10, Theorem 1.1] that a commutative ring R is an artinian serial ring if and only if every left R -module is \oplus -supplemented. Now we generalize this fact in the next Corollary, characterizing the commutative rings in which modules are $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented.

Corollary 2.15. *Let R be any commutative ring. Then R is an artinian serial ring if and only if every left R -module is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Proof. Suppose that every left R -module is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Then every projective left R -module is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented and so, by Corollary 2.3, R is left perfect. It follows that any module has a small radical. Therefore a $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented module over the ring is \oplus -supplemented. So every module is \oplus -supplemented. Thus, the proof follows from [10, Theorem 1.1]. \square

Recall that a module M is called *w-local* if M has a unique maximal submodule. It is clear that M is w-local if and only if $\text{Rad}(M)$ is maximal. Every local module is w-local. However, a w-local module is not necessarily local (see [3]). It is clear that if a w-local module M is finitely generated, then it is local.

Lemma 2.16. *Let R be a local commutative ring and let M be a uniform R -module. Suppose that every submodule of M is $\text{Rad-}\oplus$ -supplemented. Then M is uniserial.*

Proof. By [14, Lemma 6.2], it suffices to show that every finitely generated submodule of M is local. Let K be any finitely generated submodule of M . Then K contains a maximal submodule L . By the assumption, L has a Rad -supplement V in K such that $V \oplus V' = K$ for some submodule V' of K . Note that $V' \subseteq M$. It follows from [3, Lemma 3.3] that V has a unique maximal submodule, i.e., V is w -local as in [3]. Therefore V is local. Since M is uniform and L is maximal, we have $V' = 0$. In conclusion $V = K$. \square

Corollary 2.17. *Let R be a local commutative ring with a maximal ideal J . Suppose that every submodule of $E(\frac{R}{J})$ is Rad - \oplus -supplemented, where $E(\frac{R}{J})$ is the injective hull of the simple module $\frac{R}{J}$. Then R is a uniserial noetherian ring.*

Proof. Since $E(\frac{R}{J})$ is uniform, it follows from Lemma 2.16 and [14, Lemma 6.2 (Corollary)] that R is uniserial. Therefore R is a uniserial noetherian ring by [14, Lemma 6.3]. \square

A ring R is called *semilocal* if $\frac{R}{J}$ is semisimple, where J is the Jacobson radical of R . We know that a semilocal ring R is left perfect if and only if R is a left max ring (i.e. every left R -module has a maximal submodule).

Proposition 2.18. *The following conditions on a semilocal ring R are equivalent:*

1. *Every w -local module is semiperfect.*
2. *Every w -local module is generalized semiperfect.*
3. *R is left perfect.*

Proof. Clearly, we have (3) \implies (1) \implies (2). Finally, it remains to prove the implication (2) \implies (3). Let M be any w -local module. Assume that, for $N \leq M$, $Rad(M) + N = M$. Then $Rad(\frac{M}{N})$ has no maximal submodules. It follows from proof of Lemma 2.1 that $Rad(M) \ll M$. So M is local. By [3, Lemma 3.1], R is left perfect. \square

3 Rad- \oplus -Supplemented Modules Over Commutative Domains

Throughout this section, we consider only commutative domains. Our aim is to prove that a Rad -supplemented module is Rad - \oplus -supplemented over dedekind domains. To this aim, we need the following key Lemma:

Lemma 3.1. *Let M be a module over a dedekind domain. The following are equivalent:*

1. M is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented.
2. $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented.
3. $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is \oplus -supplemented.

Proof. (1) \implies (3) It follows from Proposition 2.4.

(3) \implies (2) Clear.

(2) \implies (1) Since every radical module over a dedekind domain is injective, the submodule $P(M)$ of M is injective. Therefore, there exists a submodule N of M such that $M = P(M) \oplus N$. From (2), N is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. By Corollary 2.5 and [9, Theorem 3.3], M is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented. \square

Note that Lemma 3.1 is not true for \oplus -supplemented modules, in general (see [9, Example 3.11]).

Theorem 3.2. *Let R be a dedekind domain. Then every Rad -supplemented R -module is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented.*

Proof. Let M be any Rad -supplemented module over the domain R . Then, by [2, 2.2.(2)], $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is Rad -supplemented. Applying [4, Proposition 7.3], we conclude that $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is supplemented. Therefore $\frac{M}{P(M)}$ is \oplus -supplemented according to [12, Proposition A.7 and Proposition A.8]. Hence M is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented by Lemma 3.1. \square

The structure of Rad -supplemented modules over local dedekind domains is completely determined in [4, Theorem 7.2]. Using this Theorem along with Theorem 3.2 we obtain:

Corollary 3.3. *Let R be a local dedekind domain with a quotient field K and let M be an R -module. Then M is $Rad\text{-}\oplus$ -supplemented if and only if $M \cong R^n \oplus K^{(I)} \oplus (\frac{K}{R})^{(J)} \oplus N$ for some bounded R -module N . Here n is a nonnegative integer, and I and J are any index sets.*

Proof. This equivalence follows from Theorem 3.2 and [4, Theorem 7.2]. \square

Zöschinger proved in [19, Theorem 3.1 (Folgerung)] that every supplemented module over a dedekind domain is the direct sum of hollow modules. Using this fact we obtain a new characterization of dedekind domains.

Proposition 3.4. *Let R be a local noetherian ring. Every Rad -supplemented R -module is the direct sum of hollow modules if and only if R is a dedekind domain.*

Proof. Suppose that R is a dedekind domain. Let M be any *Rad*-supplemented R -module. Then we can write $M = P(M) \oplus N$ for some submodule N of M . Since R is a local dedekind domain, $P(M)$ is the direct sum of hollow radical modules. By Lemma 3.1, N is supplemented and therefore N is the direct sum of hollow modules according to [19, Theorem 3.1 (Folgerung)]. It follows immediately that M is the direct sum of hollow modules. The converse is clear by [19, Lemma 3.2]. \square

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