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δ -M-SMALL AND δ -HARADA MODULES

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Let M be a right R-module and $N \in \sigma[M]$. A submodule K of N is called δ -M-small if, whenever N = K + X with N/X M-singular, we have N = X. N is called a δ -Msmall module if $N \cong K$, K is δ -M-small in L for some K, $L \in \sigma[M]$. In this article, we prove that if M is a finitely generated self-projective generator in $\sigma[M]$, then M is a Noetherian QF-module if and only if every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of a projective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -M-small module. As a generalization of a Harada module, a module M is called a δ -Harada module if every injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is δ_M -lifting. Some properties of δ -Harada modules are investigated and a characterization of a Harada module is also obtained.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let *R* denote an associative ring with unit, Mod-*R* the category of unital right *R*-modules, and *M* a unitary right *R*-module.

We write Soc(M) and Rad(M) for the socle and the Jacobson radical of a module M, respectively. \widehat{N} and $Z_M(N)$ is the M-injective hull and the M-singular submodule of N in $\sigma[M]$, respectively. Recall that $Z_M^2(N)$ is defined as $Z_M(N/Z_M(N)) = Z_M^2(N)/Z_M(N)$ for a module $N \in \sigma[M]$. The notions $K \leq^{\oplus} M$ and $K \leq_e M$ are reserved for a direct summand K and essential submodule K of M, respectively.

A submodule K of a module M is called *small*, (notation $K \ll M$) if M = K + Lfor some submodule L of M, then we have L = M. A module N is called an *M*-small module if $N \cong K \ll L \in \sigma[M]$. In case M = R, N is called a *small module*. A module M is called *lifting* (or (D1)) if, for all $N \le M$, there exists a decomposition $M = A \oplus B$ such that $A \le N$ and $N \cap B$ is small in M (Mohamed and Müller, 1990).

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Now we consider some generalizations of the notions "small" and "lifting." Zhou (2000) generalized the notion of a *small submodule* to a δ -*small submodule*. More general, a submodule K of a module N in $\sigma[M]$ is called a δ -M-small submodule (notation $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$) if, whenever N = K + X with N/X M-singular, we have N = X (Özcan, 2002).

A module N is called a δ -M-small module if $N \cong K \ll_{\delta_M} L \in \sigma[M]$ (Özcan, 2002). We call a module N in $\sigma[M]$ δ_M -lifting if, for all $K \leq N$, there exists a decomposition $N = A \oplus B$ such that $A \leq K$ and $K \cap B$ is δ -M-small in N. Clearly, lifting modules in $\sigma[M]$ are δ_M -lifting for any module M.

Recall that a ring R is called a *right Harada ring* (or a right H-ring) if every injective right R-module is lifting (see for example Harada, 1979; Oshiro, 1984a,b). As a module theoretic version of Harada rings, Harada modules are defined in Jayaraman and Vanaja (2000) as modules M such that every injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is lifting. Equivalently, every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and an M-small module.

In this article, δ -Harada modules are defined as an analog of Harada modules. We call a module M a δ -Harada module if every injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is δ_M -lifting.

In Chapter 2, we study δ -*M*-small submodules, and modules with some chain conditions on δ -*M*-small submodules. We also prove the following theorem.

Theorem. Let *M* be a module such that finitely generated self-projective and a generator in $\sigma[M]$. Then *M* is a Noetherian QF-module if and only if every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of a projective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -*M*-small module in $\sigma[M]$.

In Chapter 3, after giving some properties of δ_M -lifting modules, we investigate δ -Harada modules. We prove the following theorem.

Theorem. *M* is a δ -Harada module if and only if every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -*M*-small module.

Corollary. If M is a δ -Harada module, then M/Soc(M) is locally noetherian.

Also we have a characterization of Harada modules.

Theorem. The following are equivalent for a module *M*:

- 1. *M* is a Harada module;
- 2. *M* is locally Noetherian and every non- δ -*M*-small module in $\sigma[M]$ contains a nonzero injective submodule;
- 3. There exists a subgenerator N in $\sigma[M]$ such that N is \sum -lifting and M-injective, and for any exact sequence $P \xrightarrow{f} N \longrightarrow 0$ in $\sigma[M]$ where N is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $Ker(J) \ll_{\delta_M} P$, P is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a semisimple projective module in $\sigma[M]$.

For the other definitions in this note we refer to Anderson and Fuller (1974) and Wisbauer (1991).

2. δ -*M*-SMALL MODULES

A submodule K of a module N in $\sigma[M]$ is called a δ -M-small submodule (notation $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$) if, whenever N = K + X with N/X M-singular, we have N = X(Özcan, 2002). Define

$$\delta_M(N) = \bigcap \{K \le N : N/K \text{ is } M \text{-singular simple} \}$$

and it is the sum of all δ -*M*-small submodules of *N* (see Zhou, 2000, Lemma 1.5). Note that every finitely generated submodule of $\delta_M(N)$ is δ -*M*-small submodule of *N*. If *N* is finitely generated module in $\sigma[M]$, then $\delta_M(N) \ll_{\delta_M} N$ (see Zhou, 2000, Lemma 1.5). For any projective module *P*, $Soc(P) \leq \delta(P)$ (Zhou, 2000, Lemma 1.9), and $J(R/Soc(R_R)) = \delta(R_R)/Soc(R_R)$ (Zhou, 2000, Corollary 1.7) for a ring *R*.

We begin by stating a lemma which can be seen by a proof similar to Zhou (2000, Lemmas 1.2 and 1.3).

Lemma 2.1. Let N be a module in $\sigma[M]$.

- 1. If $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and N = K + X, then $N = Y \oplus X$ for a semisimple projective submodule Y in $\sigma[M]$ with $Y \leq K$.
- 2. If $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and $f: N \to L$ is a homomorphism, then $f(K) \ll_{\delta_M} L$. In particular, if $K \ll_{\delta_M} N \subseteq L$, then $K \ll_{\delta_M} L$.
- 3. $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and $L \ll_{\delta_M} N$ if and only if $K + L \ll_{\delta_M} N$.
- 4. Let $K_1 \leq M_1 \leq N$, $K_2 \leq M_2 \leq N$ and $N = M_1 \oplus M_2$. Then $K_1 \oplus K_2 \ll_{\delta_M} M_1 \oplus M_2$ if and only if $K_1 \ll_{\delta_M} M_1$ and $K_2 \ll_{\delta_M} M_2$.

Corollary 2.2. Let N be a module in $\sigma[M]$. If $K \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and $K \ll N$, then K contains a projective simple direct summand of N.

Proof. By Lemma 2.1(1), K contains a nonzero projective semisimple direct summand of N.

Corollary 2.3. Let N be a module in $\sigma[M]$. If $N \ll_{\delta_M} N$, then N is semisimple projective module.

Proof. As N = N + 0, the Corollary follows from Lemma 2.1(1).

Corollary 2.4. Let A and B be modules in $\sigma[M]$. Suppose $f: A \to B$ is an epimorphism with Ker $f \ll_{\delta_M} A$ and $L \subseteq A$. Then $L \ll_{\delta_M} B$ if and only if $f^{-1}(L) \ll_{\delta_M} A$.

Proof. By Lemma 2.1(2), if $f^{-1}(L) \ll_{\delta_M} A$, then $L \ll_{\delta_M} B$. Conversely, let $L \ll_{\delta_M} B$. Suppose $A = f^{-1}(L) + K$ where A/K is *M*-singular. Then B = L + f(K) and B/f(K) is *M*-singular. As $L \ll_{\delta_M} B$ we have f(K) = B. Hence A = Ker f + K. Now $Ker f \ll_{\delta_M} A$ and A/K is *M*-singular imply K = A.

Al-Khazzi and Smith (1991) investigated the ascending chain condition (ACC) and the descending chain condition (DCC) on Rad(M) for a module M. Now we shall consider the similar results for $\delta_M(N)$.

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Clearly if $\delta_M(N)$ is Artinian (Noetherian) for a module $N \in \sigma[M]$, then Rad(N) is Artinian (Noetherian) because $Rad(N) \subseteq \delta_M(N)$. But the converse is not true in general. For example, let $Q = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ where each $F_i = \mathbb{Z}_2$. Let *R* be the subring of *Q* generated by $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ and 1_Q . Then J(R) = 0 and $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i = Soc(R) = \delta(R)$ (see Zhou, 2000, Example 4.1). Hence J(R) is Artinian (Noetherian) but $\delta(R)$ is not.

The following two propositions can be seen by a proof similar to Proposition 2 and Theorem 5 in Al-Khazzi and Smith (1991). But we give the proofs for completeness.

Proposition 2.5. *The following are equivalent for a module* $N \in \sigma[M]$ *:*

1. $\delta_M(N)$ is Noetherian;

2. N has the ACC on δ -M-small submodules.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) is obvious.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Let $X_1 < X_2 < \cdots$ be a strictly ascending chain of submodules of $\delta_M(N)$. Let $x_1 \in X_1$ and $x_i \in X_i - X_{i-1}$ for $i \ge 2$. Clearly, $x_1R < x_1R + x_2R < \cdots$ and, from the definition of $\delta_M(N)$, each x_iR is δ -*M*-small. Hence, for each n, $\sum_{i=1}^n x_iR$ is δ -*M*-small submodule of *N*. This follows that *N* does not have ACC on δ -*M*-small submodules, a contradiction.

A module M is called *locally Artinian* if every finitely generated submodule of M is Artinian.

Proposition 2.6. *The following are equivalent for a module* $N \in \sigma[M]$ *:*

- 1. $\delta_M(N)$ is Artinian;
- 2. Every δ -M-small submodule of N is Artinian;
- 3. N has the DCC on δ -M-small submodules.

Proof. $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$ are obvious.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ First we claim that $\delta_M(N)$ is locally Artinian. Let *L* be a finitely generated submodule of $\delta_M(N)$. Then $L \ll_{\delta_M} N$, and by (3), it is Artinian. Now let *K* be a proper submodule of $\delta_M(N)$. Let $x \in \delta_M(N) - K$. Then *xR* is Artinian and (xR + K)/K is a nonzero Artinian module. It follows that $\delta_M(N)/K$ has essential socle.

Suppose that $\delta_M(N)$ is not Artinian. Then there exists a submodule X of $\delta_M(N)$ such that $\delta_M(N)/X$ is not finitely cogenerated. There exists a minimal submodule P of $\delta_M(N)$ with respect to $\delta_M(N)/P$ not finitely cogenerated by Zorn's lemma. Let $Soc(\delta_M(N)/P) = S/P$ where $S \leq \delta_M(N)$. We have seen that S/P is an essential submodule of $\delta_M(N)/P$. Therefore, S/P is not finitely generated (Anderson and Fuller, 1974, Proposition 10.7).

We claim that $P \ll N$. Let N = P + Q for some $Q \leq N$. Then $S = P + (S \cap Q)$. Suppose $P \cap Q \neq P$. Then $\delta_M(N)/(P \cap Q)$ is finitely cogenerated by the choice of P. But $S/P = [P + (S \cap Q)]/P \cong (S \cap Q)/(P \cap Q) \leq Soc(\delta_M(N)/(P \cap Q))$ and hence S/P is finitely generated, a contradiction. Thus $P \ll N$.

Now we claim that $S \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Let N = S + V where N/V is *M*-singular. Then $N/(P+V) = (S+V)/(P+V) \cong S/[P+(S\cap V)]$. Thus N/(P+V) is semisimple.

If $N \neq P + V$, then there exists a maximal submodule W of N such that $P + V \leq W$. Since N/V is M-singular, $\delta_M(N) \leq W$. But now $S \leq W$ gives the contradiction N = W. Then N = P + V. Since $P \ll N$, N = V. Thus $S \ll_{\delta_M} N$ and by hypothesis S is Artinian. Since S/P is semisimple Artinian, S/P is finitely generated, a contradiction. Thus $\delta_M(N)$ is Artinian.

Definition 2.7. A module N is called a δ -M-small module if $N \cong K \ll_{\delta_M} L \in \sigma[M]$. A module is called *non-\delta-M-small* if it is not a δ -M-small module.

Lemma 2.8. Let $0 \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow 0$ be a short exact sequence of modules in $\sigma[M]$. If B is δ -M-small, then A and C are δ -M-small.

Clearly, every *M*-small module is a δ -*M*-small module, and any nonzero semisimple non-*M*-singular injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is a δ -*M*-small module, but not an *M*-small module. The following result is by definitions, see also Özcan (2002).

Proposition 2.9. A module $N \in \sigma[M]$ is a δ -*M*-small module if and only if $N \ll_{\delta_{M}} \widehat{N}$.

If *M* is a Noetherian injective cogenerator in $\sigma[M]$, then it is called a *Noetherian quasi-Frobenius (QF)-module* (Wisbauer, 1991). For a finitely generated quasi-projective module *M*, *M* is a Noetherian QF-module if and only if every injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is projective in $\sigma[M]$ if and only if *M* is a self-generator and every projective module in $\sigma[M]$ is injective in $\sigma[M]$ by Wisbauer (1991, 48.14). A ring *R* is called a *quasi-Frobenius ring*, in short QF-ring, if *R* is Noetherian and injective as a right (or left) *R*-module. Rayar proved that a ring *R* is a QF-ring if and only if every right *R*-module is a direct sum of a projective module and a small module (Rayar, 1982, Theorem 7). Now we generalize this result as follows.

Theorem 2.10. Let *M* be a module such that finitely generated self-projective and a generator in $\sigma[M]$. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1. M is a Noetherian QF-module;
- 2. Every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of a projective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -M-small module in $\sigma[M]$.

Proof. $(1 \Rightarrow 2)$ It follows from Jayaraman and Vanaja (2000, Proposition 3.7).

 $(2 \Rightarrow 1)$ Let N be an injective module in $\sigma[M]$. By the assumption, $N = P \oplus Q$ for a projective module P in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -M-small module Q. Then Q is injective in $\sigma[M]$. By Proposition 2.9, Q is δ -M-small in Q. By Corollary 2.3, Q is projective in $\sigma[M]$. Hence N is projective in $\sigma[M]$.

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

- 1. R is a QF-ring;
- 2. Every right *R*-module is a direct sum of a projective module and a δ -small module.

3. δ -HARADA MODULES

In this chapter, we study some properties of δ_M -lifting modules in $\sigma[M]$ for a module M and δ -Harada modules.

A module $N \in \sigma[M]$ is called δ_M -lifting if, for all $K \leq N$, there exists a decomposition $N = A \oplus B$ such that $A \leq K$ and $K \cap B \ll_{\delta_M} N$. In case M = R, we use $\delta =$ lifting instead of $\delta_R =$ lifting.

Remark 3.1. Clearly any lifting module in $\sigma[M]$ is δ_M -lifting. Suppose $N \in \sigma[M]$ does not contain a projective simple direct summand. By Corollary 2.2, N is δ_M -lifting if and only if it is lifting. Hence if M is indecomposable (for example uniform) or M-singular, then M is δ_M -lifting if and only if it is lifting.

The following lemma can be seen by a proof similar to Koşan (2007, Lemma 2.3).

Lemma 3.2.

- 1. The following are equivalent for a module $N \in \sigma[M]$:
 - (a) N is δ_M -lifting;
 - (b) For all K ≤ N, there exists a decomposition K = A ⊕ B such that A≤[⊕]N and B ≪_{δ_M} N;
 - (c) For all $K \leq N$, there exists $A \leq^{\oplus} N$ such that $A \leq K$ and $K/A \ll_{\delta_M} N/A$.
- 2. Any direct summand of a δ_M -lifting module is δ_M -lifting.

Now we give an example of a δ_M -lifting module.

Example 3.3. $Q = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ where $F_i = \mathbb{Z}_2$. Let *R* be the subring of *Q* generated by $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ and $\mathbb{1}_Q$. Then *R* is δ -semiperfect (i.e., δ_M -lifting) but not semiperfect (i.e., not lifting) by Zhou (2000, Example 4.1).

Theorem 3.4. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$ be a δ_M -lifting module. If N satisfies DCC (ACC) on δ -M-small submodules, then so also does N/A for any submodule A of N.

Proof. Suppose N is a δ_M -lifting module and let $A \leq N$. Then $N = X \oplus Y$ with $A = X \oplus (A \cap Y)$ and $A \cap Y \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Consider the natural map $f: Y \to Y/(A \cap Y)$. Then Ker $f \ll_{\delta_M} Y$. N has DCC (ACC) on δ -M-small submodules implies that Y has also DCC (ACC) on δ -M-small submodules. From Corollary 2.4 it is easy to conclude $N/A \cong Y/(A \cap Y)$ has DCC (ACC) on δ -M-small submodules. \Box

By Proposition 2.5 and 2.6, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 3.5. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$ be a δ_M -lifting module. Then $\delta_M(N)$ is Artinian (Noetherian) if and only if $\delta_M(N/A)$ is Artinian (Noetherian) for every $A \leq N$.

A family $\{X_i : i \in I\}$ of submodules of a module $N \in \sigma[M]$ is called a *local* direct summand of N if $\sum_{i \in I} X_i$ is direct and $\sum_{i \in F} X_i$ is a direct summand of N for any finite subset F of I. If N is an injective lifting module in $\sigma[M]$, then every local direct summand of N is a direct summand (see Oshiro, 1984b, Lemma 2.5). For an injective δ_M -lifting module in $\sigma[M]$ we have the following result.

Proposition 3.6. If N is an injective δ_M -lifting module in $\sigma[M]$, then every local direct summand of N is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a semisimple projective module in $\sigma[M]$.

Proof. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$ be an injective δ_M -lifting module in $\sigma[M]$. Let $X = \sum_{i \in I} X_i$ be a local direct summand of N. We have a decomposition $N = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that $M_1 \leq X$ and $X \cap M_2 \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Thus, $X = M_1 \oplus (X \cap M_2)$. For any $x \in X \cap M_2$, we have $xR \leq X_1 + \cdots + X_n$ for some n. Since $X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_n$ is self-injective, by Mohamed and Müller (1990, Proposition 2.1) $xR \leq_e Z \leq^{\oplus} X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_n$ for some Z. This shows that $Z \cap M_1 = 0$ and so $Z \oplus M_1 \leq^{\oplus} X$. Let $X = Z \oplus M_1 \oplus U$ for some $U \leq X$. Then $Z \oplus U \cong X \cap M_2$. So there exists $Y \leq X \cap M_2$ such that $Z \cong Y$. It follows that $Y \leq^{\oplus} N$. By Lemma 2.1, Y is semisimple projective in $\sigma[M]$ and so is Z. Thus xR = Z is semisimple projective in $\sigma[M]$. Since x can be any element of $X \cap M_2, X \cap M_2$ is semisimple projective in $\sigma[M]$.

Definition 3.7. A module *M* is called a δ -Harada module if every injective module in $\sigma[M]$ is δ -lifting. A ring *R* is called a *right* δ -Harada ring if every injective right *R*-module is δ_M -lifting.

Any Harada module is a δ -Harada module.

Theorem 3.8. The following are equivalent for a module M:

- 1. *M* is a δ -Harada module;
- 2. Every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -*M*-small module.

Proof. $(1 \Rightarrow 2)$ It is obvious by Lemma 3.2.

 $(2 \Rightarrow 1)$ Suppose that every module in $\sigma[M]$ is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a δ -*M*-small module. Let *K* be a submodule of an injective module *N* in $\sigma[M]$. Then *K* has a decomposition $K = A \oplus B$ such that *A* is an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and $B \ll_{\delta_M} \widehat{B}$. Since *N* is injective in $\sigma[M]$, $B \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Since *A* is injective, $A \leq^{\oplus} N$. Hence *N* is δ_M -lifting by Lemma 3.2.

Consider the following:

 $(*)_M$ Every non-*M*-small module in $\sigma[M]$ contains a nonzero injective submodule;

 $(*)_{\delta_M}$ Every non- δ -*M*-small module in $\sigma[M]$ contains a nonzero injective submodule;

 $(ICC)_M$ For any exact sequence $P \xrightarrow{f} N \longrightarrow 0$ in $\sigma[M]$ where N is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $Ker(f) \ll P$, P is injective in $\sigma[M]$;

 $(ICC)_{\delta_M}$ For any exact sequence $P \xrightarrow{f} N \longrightarrow 0$ in $\sigma[M]$ where N is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $Ker(f) \ll_{\delta_M} P$, P is a direct sum of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ and a semisimple projective module in $\sigma[M]$.

By Jayaraman and Vanaja (2000, Theorem 2.8) a module M is a Harada module if and only if M is locally Noetherian with $(*)_M$ if and only if there exists a subgenerator N in $\sigma[M]$ such that N is Σ -lifting and M-injective, and $(ICC)_M$ holds.

By Oshiro (1984b, Theorem 2.11) and Harada (1979, Proposition 2.1), a ring R is a right Harada ring if and only if R is right Noetherian with $(*)_R$ if and only if R is right Artinian with $(*)_R$ if and only if R is right perfect ring with (ICC)_R.

Proposition 3.9. $(*)_M$ if and only if $(*)_{\delta_M}$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) This is clear.

(\Leftarrow) Let $N \in \sigma[M]$ be a non-*M*-small module. Then there exists a proper submodule *X* of \widehat{N} such that $\widehat{N} = N + X$. If $N \ll_{\delta_M} \widehat{N}$, then $\widehat{N} = Y \oplus X$ for some semisimple projective submodule *Y* of *N* in $\sigma[M]$ by Lemma 2.1. Then *Y* is a nonzero injective submodule of *N* in $\sigma[M]$. If *N* is non- δ -*M*-small, by hypothesis, *N* contains a nonzero injective submodule.

Let *M* be a module and $N \in \sigma[M]$. *P* is called a δ -*M*-small cover of *N* if there exists an epimorphism $f: P \to N$ such that $Ker(f) \ll_{\delta_M} P$.

Theorem 3.10. Let M be a δ -Harada module. Then the following hold:

- 1. *M* satisfies $(*)_M$;
- 2. *M* satisfies $(ICC)_{\delta_{M}}$;
- 3. Every factor module of an injective module in $\sigma[M]$ has a δ -M-small cover in $\sigma[M]$ which is injective in $\sigma[M]$.

Proof. (1) By Theorem 3.8, M has $(*)_{\delta_{M}}$. Then (1) follows from Proposition 3.9.

(2) Let $f: P \longrightarrow N$ be an epimorphism in $\sigma[M]$ where N is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $Ker(f) \ll_{\delta_M} P$. By Theorem 3.8, $P = X \oplus Y$ where X is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and Y is δ -M-small. We claim that $Y \ll_{\delta_M} P$. Then N = f(X) + f(Y). f(Y) is δ -M-small (see Lemma 2.8). N is injective implies $f(Y) \ll_{\delta_M} N$ (see Proposition 2.9). Since $Ker f \ll_{\delta_M} P$, $f^{-1}f(Y) \ll_{\delta_M} P$ (see Corollary 2.4) and hence $Y \ll_{\delta_M} P$.

(3) Let N be injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $K \leq N$. Then N has a decomposition $N = M_1 \oplus M_2$ such that $M_1 \leq K$ and $K \cap M_2 \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Let $f: M_2 \to N/K$ be the canonical epimorphism. Then $Ker(f) = K \cap M_2 \ll_{\delta_M} N$. Hence $K \cap M_2 \ll_{\delta_M} M_2$. So M_2 is an injective δ -M-small cover of N/K.

Corollary 3.11. $(ICC)_{\delta_M} \Rightarrow (ICC)_M$.

Proof. Let $P \xrightarrow{f} N \longrightarrow 0$ be an exact sequence in $\sigma[M]$ where N is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and $Ker(f) \ll P$. Then $P = X \oplus Y$ where X is injective in $\sigma[M]$ and Y is semisimple projective in $\sigma[M]$. Put $T = \{x \in P : f(x) \in f(X)\}$. Since Y is semisimple,

 $P = T \oplus K$ for some submodule K of Y. f(X) + f(K) = N and Ker $f \ll P$ imply that $P = X \oplus K$. Hence T = X. This implies that $N = f(X) \oplus f(Y)$. Since Y is semisimple and Ker $f \ll P$, f is one-to-one on Y. Hence $Y \cong f(Y) \le N$ implies P is injective.

Corollary 3.12. If M is a δ -Harada module, then M has $(ICC)_M$.

Corollary 3.13. *The following are equivalent for a module M*:

- 1. M is a Harada module;
- 2. *M* is locally Noetherian with $(*)_{\delta_M}$;
- 3. There exists a subgenerator N in $\sigma[M]$ such that N is \sum -lifting and M-injective, and $(ICC)_{\delta_M}$ holds.

Proof. By Jayaraman and Vanaja (2000, Theorem 2.8), Proposition 3.9, and Corollary 3.11.

Corollary 3.14. *The following are equivalent for a ring R:*

- 1. *R* is a right Harada ring;
- 2. *R* is right Noetherian with $(*)_{\delta}$;
- 3. *R* is right Artinian with $(*)_{\delta}$;
- 4. *R* is right perfect with $(ICC)_{\delta}$.

Proof. $(1 \Leftrightarrow 2 \Leftrightarrow 3)$ By Oshiro (1984b, Theorem 2.11), Harada (1979, Proposition 2.1) and Proposition 3.9.

(1 \Leftrightarrow 4) By Oshiro (1984b, Theorem 2.11), Theorem 3.10, and Corollary 3.11.

Corollary 3.15. (a) Any right Noetherian (or right perfect) right δ -Harada ring is a right Harada ring.

(b) A right δ -Harada ring R is a right Harada ring if R has no simple projective module.

Remark. We couldn't find an example of a right δ -Harada ring which is not right Harada. Such a ring should not be right Noetherian and right perfect. So we have the following open question.

Question. Is there a right δ -Harada ring which is not a right Harada ring?

Corollary 3.16. If *M* is a δ -Harada module, then every finitely generated submodule *L* of *M* has an ACC on $\{K \leq L : Z_M^2(L/K) = L/K\}$. In particular, *M*/Soc(*M*) is locally Noetherian.

Proof. Let $N \in \sigma[M]$ and assume that $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$ where each N_i is *M*-injective and $Z_M^2(N_i) = N_i$, then $\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$ is a local summand of \widehat{N} . Since $Z_M^2(N) = N$, it is injective in $\sigma[M]$ by Theorem 3.10(4). By Page and Zhou (1994, Proposition 9 and Lemma 7), every finitely generated submodule *L* of *M* has ACC on $\{K \leq L : \}$

 $Z_M^2(L/K) = L/K$. Now let *L* be a finitely generated submodule of *M*. By Dung et al. (1994, 5.15), L/Soc(L) is Noetherian and hence M/Soc(M) is locally Noetherian.

So if R is a right δ -Harada ring, then $R/Soc(R_R)$, and hence $R/\delta(R_R)$, is right Noetherian.

Proposition 3.17. If *M* is a δ -Harada module with $\delta_M(M) \ll_{\delta_M} M$ and $\delta_M(M) = M \cap \delta_M(\widehat{M})$, then *M* is δ_M -lifting.

Proof. Let N be a submodule of M. Since \widehat{M} is δ_M -lifting, there is a decomposition $N = A \oplus B$ such that A is a direct summand of \widehat{M} and B is a δ_M -small module. This implies that A is a direct summand of M and $B \leq M \cap \delta_M(\widehat{M}) = \delta_M(M) \ll_{\delta_M} M$. Hence M is δ_M -lifting.

Zhou (2000) calls a ring *R* δ -semiperfect if every simple module has a projective δ -cover. *R* is δ -semiperfect if and only if R_R is δ_M -lifting (Zhou, 2000, Theorem 3.6).

Hence by Proposition 3.17 we have that if R is a right δ -Harada ring with $\delta(R_R) = R \cap \delta(E(R)_R)$, then R is a δ -semiperfect ring.

The following is an example of a ring which is not perfect and not δ -Harada.

Example 3.18. Let $Q = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ where each $F_i = \mathbb{Z}_2$. Let R be the subring of Q generated by $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ and \mathbb{I}_Q . Then R is a commutative regular (i.e., cosemisimple; see Anderson and Fuller, 1974), δ -semiperfect ring, and $Soc(R) = \delta(R)$ but not semiperfect (Zhou, 2000). The injective hull of R_R is $E(R_R) = Q_R$. Now we claim that $E(R_R)$ is not δ -lifting. Assume that $E(R_R)$ is δ_M -lifting. Then R has a decomposition $R = A \oplus B$ such that $A \leq^{\oplus} E(R_R)$ and $B \ll_{\delta} E(R_R)$ by Lemma 3.2. Since $R/\delta(R)$ is semisimple, $M\delta(R) = \delta(M)$ for any R-module M (Zhou, 2000, Theorem 1.8). Then we have that $B \leq \delta(E(R)) = E(R)\delta(R) = E(R)Soc(R) \leq Soc(E(R))$. Hence B is semisimple finitely generated submodule of R. Since every simple R-module is injective, we get that B is injective. Consequently, R is self-injective. This gives a contradiction. Hence R is not a δ -Harada ring.

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