

ON I-DUO RINGS

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let R be a non commutative associative ring with unit 1. A left R - module M is said to satisfy property (I) if every injective endomorphism of M is an automorphism. It is well know that every artinian module satisfies property (I) , and that the converse is false. A ring R is called left (resp right) I-ring if every left (right) R -module with property (I) is artinian. Recall that a ring R is a left (resp right) pure-semi-simple ring if every left (resp right) R -module is a direct sum of indecomposables left (right) R -modules . R is of finite representation type if R is left (right) artinian and has finite many non isomorphic indecomposable left (right) R -modules . We recall that the concept of finite representation type is left-right symmetric. Following [7] a left R -module M is said to have property (S) if every surjective endomorphism of M is an automorphism; R is called left (right) S-ring if every left(right) R -module with property (S) is noetherian . An R -module is said to be uniserial if its submodules are linearly ordered by inclusion . R is left (right) serial if it is a direct sum of left (right) uniserial R -modules and R is serial if it is both left and right serial. A duo-ring is a ring in which every one sided ideal is two sided. Definitions and notations used in this paper can be found ind [8].

In this paper we prove that for a duo-ring R the following conditions are equivalent.

1. R is a left I -ring.
2. R is of finite representation type.
3. R is left pure-semi-simple.
4. R is an artinian principal ideal ring (uniserial).
5. R is a left S -ring .
6. R is a right I-ring .
7. R is right pure semi-simple.
8. R is a right S-ring .

2. PRELIMINARY

Definition 2.1. *Let R be a ring. A left R -module ${}_R M$ is said to satisfy property (I) if all of its injective endomorphisms are automorphisms. R is called left (right) I-ring if every left (right) R -module with property (I) is artinian. R is an I-ring if it is a left and right I-ring. We recall that a ring R is a left (right) duo-ring if every left (right) ideal of R is a two sided ideal. A left and right duo-ring is called duo-ring.*

Proposition 2.1. *If R is an I -duo ring then every prime ideal of R is a maximal ideal and further more the set of all prime ideals is finite .*

Proof. Let P be a prime ideal of R . the factor ring R/P is an I -duo ring which is a domain. Let K be the classical ring of fraction of R/P ; K is a division ring, hence the R/P -module K satisfies property (I). It follows that the module K is artinian and that $K = R/P$. Let $\{ P_l/l \in L \}$ the set of all prime ideals. If $l \neq m$ then $Hom(R/P_l, R/P_m) = \{0\}$, it follows that the R -module $M = \bigoplus_{l \in L} R/P_l$ satisfies property (I) and hence L is a finite set. \square

Corollary 2.1. *The Jacobson radical J of any I -duo ring R is a nil ideal .*

Proposition 2.2. *Let R be a semi prime duo ring , then every one sided regular element of R is two sided regular.*

Proof. Let x a one sided regular element of R . Assume that x is a right regular; let $y \in R$ such that $yx = 0$ than

$$(xy)^2 = x(yx)y = 0$$

since R is semi prime and xy is nilpotent we have $xy = 0$ and hence $y = 0$. \square

Proposition 2.3. *Let R be a semi prime I -duo ring; then R is artinian.*

Proof. Let $R' = S^{-1}R$ be the ring of fraction of R where S is the set of all regular elements of R . Any endomorphism of the left R -module R' is obtained by multiplication by a element of R' ; it follows that the R -module R' satisfies property (I). Since R is an I -ring, then R' is an artinian R -module and hence $R = R'$. So R is artinian. \square

Theorem 2.1. *Let R be an I -duo ring ; then R is artinian.*

Proof. It follows from corollary 2.1 that the Jacobson radical J of R is a nil ideal. Then every idempotent of R/J can be lifted to a idempotent of R . Since R/J is a semi prime I -duo ring, it result from proposition 2.3is semi simple; and that R is a semi-perfect ring. So R can be written

$$R = Re_1 \bigoplus Re_2 \bigoplus \dots \bigoplus Re_n,$$

where the e_i 's are central idempotents and each Re_i is a local projectif R -module. To prove that R is artinian, it is sufficient to prove that each Re_i is artinian as left R -module. Let $f \neq 0$ be an non surjective endomorphism of Re_i . We have $f(Re_i) \subseteq Je_i$, let us put $f(e_i) = re_i; r \in J$. As J is a nil ideal, there exists an integer $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ such that $r^n e_i \neq 0$ and $r^{n+1} e_i = 0$. For this integer we have $f(r^n e_i) = r^n f(e_i) = r^{n+1} e_i = 0$. It follows that f is not monic. So the R -module Re_i satisfies property (I). Hence Re_i is artinian. \square

Remark 2.1. (a) *Every artinian duo-ring is a finite direct product of artinian local duo-rings* (b) *It is proved in [3] that if R is an artinian local duo ring with*

Jacobson radical J , then R is uniserial or R/J is a field.

3. CHARACTERIZATION OF I-DUO RINGS

In what follows R will denote an artinian local duo-ring with Jacobson radical J satisfying $J^2 = 0$. It results then from remarks 2.1 that if R has a non principal ideal, then R/J is a field. We have then two cases : Case 1 : R/J is an infinite field and $\dim_{R/J} J/J^2 = 2$ Let H be a complete set of representants of $(R/J) \setminus \{0\}$ H is a infinite set. For $h \in H$, set $I = R(x_1 - hx_2)$ where $\{\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2\}$ is a basis of J/J^2 over R/J ; and $M_h = R/I_h$.

Lemma 3.1. *If $h \neq h'$ are in H then $x_1 - hx_2 \notin I_{h'}$*

Proof. Assume that $x_1 - hx_2 \in I_{h'} = R(x_1 - h'x_2)$. Let $\alpha \in R \setminus J$ such that $x_1 - hx_2 = \alpha(x_1 - h'x_2)$ then $(1 - \alpha)x_1 - (h - \alpha h') = 0$, it follows that $1 - \alpha \in J$ and $h - \alpha h' \in J$. Let $m \in J$ such that $\alpha = 1 + m$. Since $h - (1 + m)h' \in J$, we have $h - h' \in J$ which contradicts the choice of H . \square

Lemma 3.2. *Let $h, h' \in H, h \neq h'$. If $g : M_h \rightarrow M_{h'}$ is an homomorphism of R -modules then $g(1 + I_h)$ is not invertible in the ring $M_{h'}$. So $g(1 + I_h) \in J/I_{h'}$*

Notation 3.1. *If $x \in R$ and $h \in H$, we set $x + I_h = x_{M_h}$.*

Proof of lemma 3.2. We have

$$0_{M_{h'}} = g(0_{M_h}) = g[(x_1 - hx_2) + I_h] = (x_1 - hx_2)g(1 + I_h),$$

hence $g(1 + I_h)$ is not invertible in $M_{h'}$ so $g(1 + I_h) \in J/I_{h'}$.

Corollary 3.1. *Let $f : \bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h \rightarrow \bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h$ be an endomorphism of the R -module $\bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h$. If i_h and $p_{h'}$ are respectively the canonical injection of M_h in $\bigoplus_{k \in H} M_k$ and the canonical projection of $\bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h$ on $M_{h'}$, then $p_{h'} \circ f \circ i_h (1 + I_h) \in J/I_{h'}$.*

If $x \in \bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h = M$, we note $x = \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h e_h$ where $e_h = 1 + I_h$ and $\alpha_h \in R$, and $f(e_h) = \sum_{h' \in H} \beta_{h'} e_{h'}$ where $\beta_{h'} e_{h'} = p_{h'} \circ f \circ i_h(e_h)$. So $\beta_{h'} \in J$ if $h \neq h'$. Let f be

an injective endomorphism of $M = \bigoplus_{h \in H} M_h$ we have the following lemmas.

Lemma 3.3. *For every $h \in H, f(e_h) = \beta_h e_h + \sum_{h' \neq h} \beta_{h'} e_{h'}$; where $\beta_h \notin J$.*

Proof. Let $h \in H$. If $h' \in H$ and $h' \neq h$ then, by lemma 3.1, we have

$$0_M \neq f[(x_1 - h'x_2)e_h] = (x_1 - h'x_2)\beta_h e_h,$$

it follows that $\beta_h \notin J$. \square

Lemma 3.4. *$J.M \subseteq \text{Im} f$.*

Proof. Let m be an element of J . For $h \in H$, we have $f(me_h) = m\beta_h e_h$. Since R is a duo ring and $\beta_h \notin J$, there exists $\beta'_h \in R \setminus J$ such that $m\beta_h = \beta'_h m$; we have then $me_h = f(\beta_h^{-1} m e_h)$. So $me_h \in \text{Im} f$ and hence $J.M \subseteq \text{Im} f$. \square

Lemma 3.5. *For every $h \in H, e_h \in \text{Im} f$.*

Proof. Let $h \in H$. By lemma 3.3 we have

$$f(e_h) = \beta_h e_h + \sum_{h \neq h'} \beta_{h'} e_{h'} \beta_h \notin J \text{ and } \beta_{h'} \in J, \text{ for } h \neq h'.$$

Then $\beta_h e_h = f(e_h) - \sum_{h \neq h'} \beta_{h'} e_{h'}$, so $e_h = f(\beta_h^{-1} e_h) - \sum_{h \neq h'} \beta_h^{-1} \beta_{h'} e_{h'}$. Since $f(\beta_h^{-1} e_h)$ and $\sum_{h \neq h'} \beta_h^{-1} \beta_{h'} e_{h'}$ are in Imf then $e_h \in Imf$. \square

We can now state the following assertion.

Theorem 3.1. *Let R be a local artinian duo ring with maximal ideal J such that $J^2 = 0$. If R/J is an infinite field and $\dim_{R/J} J/J^2 \geq 2$ then there exists a non artinian R -module M with property (I).*

Case2: We assume that R/J is a finite field and that $\dim_{R/J} J/J^2 = 2$. In this

case the characteristic of the field R/J is a prime number p and the characteristic of R is p or p^2 . and hence R/J is a separable finite extension of $Z(R)/J \cap Z(R)$ where $Z(R)$ is the center of R . It follows from [6] that there exists an artinian principal ideal subring B of R such that $R = B \oplus Bc$ as B -modules, where $c \in J$. So let us set Bb the Jacobson radical of B , we have $b^2 = bc = c^2 = 0$. In what follows homomorphism will be in the opposite side of the scalars. Let

$$M_R = R_R^{(N^*)} = \bigoplus_{i \in N^*} e_i R \text{ where } e_i = (\delta_i^j)_{j \in N^*} \text{ and}$$

$$\delta_i^j = \begin{cases} 1_R, & \text{if } i = j \\ i_{0_R}, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

and let $\sigma : M_R \longrightarrow M_R$ be the endomorphism of M_R given by :

$$\sigma(e_i) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i = 1 \\ e_{i-1}, & \text{if } i \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

If $z \in R$ we denote L_z the endomorphism of M_R defined for $m \in M_R$ by $L_z(m) = zm$. Let Λ be the subring of $EndM_R$ generated by $d = L_c \circ \sigma$ and the elements $L_x, x \in B$. By the ring homomorphism

$$R = B \oplus Bb \longrightarrow \Lambda$$

$$x + yb \longrightarrow L_x + L_y \circ d.$$

M has a structure of left R -module defined as follows

$$(x + yc)m = (L_x + L_y \circ d)(m).$$

Let now f be an injective endomorphism of ${}_R M$, we have $(d.m)f = d.(m)f$ for $m \in M$. We shall prove the following lemmas.

Lemma 3.6. *For every $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, we have $d(e_n)f = (ce_{n-1})f$, for $n \geq 2$, and $0 = d(e_1)f$.*

Lemma 3.7. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, we have

$$(e_n)f = \sum_{in} \alpha_{k,n} e_k$$

where $\alpha_{n,n}$ is invertible in R , and $\alpha_{k,n} \in J$ for $k > n$.

Proof. Set $(e_1)f = \alpha_{1,1}e_1 + \sum_{i>1} \alpha_{i,1}e_i$. Since $ce_1 \neq 0$, then

$$c(\alpha_{1,1} + \sum_{i>1} \alpha_{i,1}e_i) = (ce_1)f \neq 0 \quad (1).$$

But $c(\sum_{i>1} \alpha_{i,1}e_{i-1}) = c\sigma(\alpha_{1,1}e_1 + \sum_{1<i} \alpha_{i,1}e_i) = c\sigma[(e_1)f] = (c\sigma e_1)f = (0)f = 0 \quad (2)$.

So by (2), $\alpha_{i,1} \in J$ for $i > 1$ and by (1) $\alpha_{1,1} \notin J$.

Suppose now that

$$(e_{n-1})f = \sum_{i<n-1} \alpha_{i,n-1}e_i + \alpha_{n-1,n-1}e_{n-1} + \sum_{i>n-1} \alpha_{i,n-1}e_i,$$

where $\alpha_{n-1,n-1} \notin J$ and $\alpha_{i,n-1} \in J$ for $i > n-1$; and let us set $(e_n)f = \sum_{i \geq 1} \alpha_{i,n}e_i$. Then

$$c\sigma(\sum_{i \geq 1} \alpha_{i,n}e_i) = c\sigma(e_n)f = c(e_{n-1})f = (ce_{n-1})f \neq 0.$$

Since $c(\sum_{i \geq 2} \alpha_{i,n}e_{i-1}) = c\sigma(e_n)f = c(e_{n-1})f = \sum_{i<n-1} c\alpha_{i,n-1}e_i + c\alpha_{n-1,n-1}e_{n-1}$, where $c\alpha_{n-1,n-1}e_{n-1} \neq 0$, then $c\alpha_{n,n} \neq 0$ and $c\alpha_{i,n} = 0$ for $i > n$. It follows then that $\alpha_{n,n} \notin J$ and $\alpha_{i,n} \in J$ for $i > n$. \square

Lemma 3.8. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, we have $Je_n \subseteq \text{Im}f$.

Proof. Let $m \in J$ we have $(me_1)f = m(e_1)f = m\alpha_{1,1}e_1$. Let $\alpha'_{1,1} \in R \setminus J$ such that $m\alpha_{1,1} = \alpha'_{1,1}m$, then $(me_1)f = \alpha'_{1,1}me_1$ hence $me_1 = (\alpha'_{1,1})^{-1}(me_1)f \in \text{Im}f$.

Suppose that $Je_k \subseteq \text{Im}f$ for $k \leq n-1$ and let $m \in J$, we have :

$$(me_n)f = \sum_{i,1} c_{i,1}e_i$$

where $\alpha_{1,1} \notin J$ and $\alpha_{i,1} \in J$ for $i > 1$.

Assume that for every $k < n$, $e_k \in \text{Im}f$. Since

$$(e_n)f = \sum_{\in} c_{k,n}e_k$$

where $\alpha_{n,n}$ is invertible and $c_{k,n} \in J$, we have

$$\alpha_{n,n}e_n = (e_n)f - \sum_{\in} c_{k,n}e_k \in \text{Im}f$$

and so

$$e_n(\alpha_{n,n}^{-1}e_n)f - \sum_{n>i} \alpha_{i,n}^{-1}e_i - \bigoplus_{nn} J e_i$$

of ${}_R M$ is strictly decreasing. \square

We have proved the following result :

Theorem 3.2. *Let R be an artinian local duo ring with maximal ideal J such that $J^2 = (0)$. If R/J is a finite field and $\dim_{R/J} J/J^2 \geq 2$ then there exists a non artinian R -module with property (I).*

We have the following theorem :

Theorem 3.3. *Let R be a duo ring. The following statements are equivalent.*

1. R is a left I -ring.
2. R is an uniserial ring.
3. R is a left S -ring.
4. R is a left pure semi-simple ring.
5. R has a finite representation type.
6. R is a right I -ring.
7. R is a right S -ring.
8. R is a right pure semi-simple ring.

Proof. It suffices to prove the equivalence 1) \iff 2).

1) \implies 2). By theorem 2.1 R is Artinian and by theorem 3.1 and theorem 3.2 R is necessarily a principal ideal ring .

(2) \implies (1) If R is an uniserial ring then every left R -module is a direct sum of cyclic modules . Let M be an artinian R - module , since there is only finite non isomorphic cyclic R -modules we can write $M = K^{(N^*)} \oplus L$ where K is cyclic submodule of M . Since $K^{(N^*)}$ does not satisfy property (I), it follows that M does not satisfy property (I). \square

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