

# The Total Of Rings and Modules

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## ABSTRACT

Let  $M_R$  and  $N_R$  be two modules over associative ring  $R$ . The object of this paper is the study of substructures of  $hom_R(M, N)$  such as, radical, the singular and co-singular ideal and the total. New results obtained include:

- (a) For any modules  $M_R, N_R$ ;  $[M, N]$  is regular if and only if, for any  $\alpha \in [M, N]$ ,  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  and  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} M$ .
- (b)  $[M, N]$  is semipotent if and only if, for any  $\alpha \in [M, N]$ ,  $\alpha \notin J[M, N]$  there exists  $\beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  and  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} M$ .
- (c) For any injective module  $Q_R$  and any projective module  $P_R$  with  $E_P$  semipotent, where  $E_P = End_R(P)$ ;  $Tot[Q, P] = J[Q, P] = \Delta[Q, P] = \nabla[Q, P]$ .
- (d) A ring  $R$  is semipotent with  $J(R)$  is left  $T$ -nilpotent if and only if,  $[M, P]$  is semipotent which equivalent,  $[P, M]$  is semipotent, for any projective module  $P \in mod - R$ , and any module  $M \in mod - R$ .

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### الملخص

- ليكن  $M_R$  و  $N_R$  مودولين فوق الحلقة  $R$  ولنفرض أن  $[M, N] = \text{hom}_R(M, N)$  مجموعة جميع التشاكلات المودولية من  $M$  إلى  $N$ . فنحصل بذلك على مودول ثنائي فوق الحلقات  $E_M$  و  $E_N$ . إن الهدف من هذا البحث هو دراسة البنى الجزئية للمودول الثنائي  $[M, N]$  منها الجذر والمثالي المنفرد والمثالي المنفرد الثنوي والتوتال، وقد تم التوصل (من خلال هذه الدراسة) إلى نتائج جديدة منها:
1. لأجل أي مودولين  $M$  و  $N$  فوق الحلقة  $R$  فإن  $[M, N]$  منتظم عندما فقط عندما لأجل كل عنصر  $\alpha \in [M, N]$  فإن  $\text{Im}(\alpha)$  حد مباشر في  $N$  و  $\text{Ker}(\alpha)$  حد مباشر في  $M$ .
  2. المودول الثنائي  $[M, N]$  شبه جامد عندما فقط عندما لأجل كل عنصر  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  يوجد  $\beta \in [N, M]$  بحيث يكون  $\text{Im}(\alpha\beta)$  و  $\text{Ker}(\alpha\beta)$  حدوداً مباشرة في المودول  $N$ .
  3. لأجل أي مودول إدخال  $Q_R$  وأي مودول إسقاطي  $P_R$  يحقق  $\text{End}_R(P)$  حلقة شبه جامدة فإن  $\text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P] = \Delta[Q, P] = \nabla[Q, P]$ .
  4. الحلقة  $R$  شبه جامدة والجذر  $J(R)$  عبارة عن  $T$ -مثالي عديم القوى من اليسار عندما فقط عندما يكون المودول  $[M, P]$  شبه جامد، وهذا بدوره يكافئ أن المودول  $[P, M]$  شبه جامد وذلك لأجل أي مودول إسقاطي  $R - \text{mod}$   $P$  ولأجل أي مودول  $R - \text{mod}$   $M$ .

الكلمات المفتاحية: الحلقة شبه الجامدة،  $I_0$ -حلقة،  $I_0$ -مودول، التوتال، جذر جاكبسون، المثالي المنفرد، حلقة التشاكلات لمودول،  $\text{hom}_R(M, N)$ .

## 1. Introduction

In this paper rings  $R$  are associative with identity unless otherwise indicated. All modules over a ring  $R$  unitary right modules. A submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is said to be small in  $M$  if  $N + K \neq M$  for any proper submodule  $K$  of  $M$ , [3]. A submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$  is said to be large (essential) in  $M$  if  $N \cap K \neq \{0\}$  for any nonzero submodule  $K$  of  $M$  [3]. If  $M$  is an  $R$ -module, the radical of  $M$  denoted by  $J(M)$  is defined to be the intersection of all maximal submodules of  $M$ . Also,  $J(M)$  coincides with the sum of all small submodules of  $M$ . It may happen that  $M$  has no maximal submodules in which case  $J(M) = M$  [7]. Thus, for a ring  $R$ ,  $J(R)$  is the Jacobson radical of  $R$ . For a submodule  $N$  of a module  $M$ , we use  $N \subseteq^{\oplus} M$  to mean that  $N$  is a direct summand of  $M$ , and we write  $N \leq_e M$  and  $N \ll M$  to indicate that  $N$  is a large, respectively small, submodule of  $M$ . If  $M_R$  is a module, we use the notation  $E_M = \text{End}_R(M)$  and we write  $\Delta E_M = \{\alpha : \alpha \in E_M; \text{Ker}(\alpha) \leq_e M\}$ ,  $\nabla E_M = \{\alpha : \alpha \in E_M; \text{Im}(\alpha) \ll M\}$  and  $I(E_M) = \{\alpha : \alpha \in E_M; \text{Im}(\alpha) \subseteq J(M)\}$ . It is well known that  $\Delta E_M, \nabla E_M$  and  $I(E_M)$  are ideals in  $E_M$  [5]. If  $M_R$  and  $N_R$  are modules, we use  $[M, N] = \text{hom}_R(M, N)$ . Thus  $[M, N]$  is an  $(E_M, E_N)$ -bimodule. Our main concern is about the substructures of  $\text{hom}_R(M, N)$  and the semipotent of  $\text{hom}_R(M, N)$  (see [8]).

The total is a concept that was first introduced by Kasch in 1982. In the study of the total, some of the interesting questions are when the total equals the Jacobson radical,  $\Delta E_M, \nabla E_M$  and  $I(E_M)$ . In section 2, it is proved that over quasi-frobenius ring  $J(E_M) = \Delta E_M = \nabla E_M$  for any projective module (injective) module  $M$ . In section 3, it is proved that  $\text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P] = \Delta[Q, P] = \nabla[Q, P]$  for any injective module  $Q$  and any projective module  $P$  with  $E_P$  is semipotent. And for any projective module  $P$  with  $E_P$  is semipotent;  $\text{Tot}[M, P] = J[M, P] = \nabla[M, P]$  for all  $M \in \text{mod} - R$ . Also, proved that  $R$  is semipotent with  $J(R)$  is left  $T$ -nilpotent if and only if  $\text{Tot}[M, P] = J[M, P]$  for any

projective module  $P \in \text{mod} - R$  and any module  $M \in \text{mod} - R$  which equivalent  $\text{Tot}[P, M] = J[P, M]$  for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod} - R$  and any  $M \in \text{mod} - R$ . Basic properties on semipotentness of  $[M, N]$  are proved in section 3.

## 2. Semipotent Rings

Recall that a ring  $R$  is a semipotent ring [8] also, called an  $I_0$  -ring by Nicholson [4] and Hakmi [2], if every principal left (resp. right) ideal not contained in  $J(R)$  contains a nonzero idempotent, or equivalently, for any  $a \in R$ ,  $a \notin J(R)$  there exists  $0 \neq x \in R$  such that  $x = xax$ . Examples of this rings include: (a) Exchange rings (see [5, Proposition 1.9], a ring  $R$  is exchange if for each  $a \in R$ , there exists  $e^2 = e \in R$  such that  $a - e \in (a^2 - a)R$ ). (b) Endomorphism rings of injective modules (see [4, Proposition 1.4]). (c) Endomorphism ring of regular modules (in the sense Zelmanowitz [9]), (see [2, Corollary 3.6]).

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $M$  be a module and  $f \in E_M$ :

(1) If  $M$  is injective and  $f \in \nabla(E_M)$  then  $f \in \Delta(E_M)$ .

(2) If  $M$  is projective and  $E_M$  is semipotent, then if  $f \in \Delta(E_M)$  follows that  $f \in \nabla(E_M)$ .

Proof. (1). Suppose that  $M$  is injective then by [4, Proposition 1.4],  $J(E_M) = \Delta(E_M)$ . Let  $f \in \nabla(E_M)$  and suppose  $f \notin J(E_M)$ , since  $E_M$  is semipotent then  $\varphi = \varphi f \varphi$  for some  $0 \neq \varphi \in E_M$ , thus  $\alpha = f \varphi$  is a nonzero idempotent of  $E_M$ . Since  $\text{Im}(\alpha) \subseteq \text{Im}(f)$  then  $\text{Im}(\alpha) \ll M$ , therefore  $\text{Im}(\alpha) = \text{Im}(\alpha) \cap \text{Im}(1 - \alpha) = 0$  thus  $\alpha = 0$  this is a contradiction. Hence  $f \in J(E_M) = \Delta E_M$ .

(2) Suppose that  $M$  is projective and  $E_M$  semipotent then by [2, Proposition 3.3],  $J(E_M) = \nabla E_M$ . Let  $f \in \Delta(E_M)$  and suppose  $f \notin J(E_M)$ , then  $\mu = \mu f \mu$  for some  $0 \neq \mu \in E_M$ , therefore  $g = \mu f$  is a nonzero idempotent of  $E_M$  and  $\text{Ker}(f) \subseteq \text{Ker}(g)$ . Since  $f \in \Delta(E_M)$  and  $\text{Ker}(f) \cap \text{Ker}(1 - g) = 0$  implies  $\text{Ker}(1 - g) = 0$ . Since  $1 - g$  is an

idempotent in  $E_M$  and  $M = Im(g) \oplus Im(1-g) = Im(1-g)$  we have  $Im(g) = 0$ , thus  $g = 0$  this is a contradiction. Hence  $f \in J(E_M) = \nabla E_M$ .

From Proposition 2.1, we derive the following:

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $M$  be a module:

- (1) If  $M$  is injective then  $\nabla E_M \subseteq \Delta E_M = J(E_M)$ .
- (2) If  $M$  is projective and  $E_M$  is semipotent then  $\Delta E_M \subseteq \nabla E_M = J(E_M)$ .

A ring  $R$  is called quasi-frobenius [3] if, every projective (injective) module is injective (projective).

**Corollary 2.3.** For any projective (injective) module  $M$  over a quasi-frobenius ring  $J(E_M) = \Delta E_M = \nabla E_M$  and  $E_M$  is a semipotent ring.

Proof follows immediately from the fact that endomorphism ring of any injective module is semipotent and corollary 2.2.

### 3. Semipotent [M,N]

Following [8], let  $M_R, N_R$  are modules and  $[M, N] = hom_R(M, N)$ , then  $[M, N]$  is an  $(E_M, E_N)$ -bimodule.

- The Jacobson radical.

$$J[M, N] = \{ \alpha : \alpha \in [M, N]; \beta \alpha \in J(E_M) \text{ for all } \beta \in [N, M] \}$$

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Thus  $J[M, M] = J(E_M)$ . In particular  $J[R, R] = J(R)$ .

- The singular ideal.

$$\Delta[M, N] = \{ \alpha : \alpha \in [M, N]; Ker(\alpha) \leq_e M \}$$

- The co-singular ideal.

$$\nabla[M, N] = \{ \alpha : \alpha \in [M, N]; Im(\alpha) \ll N \}$$

- The total.

$$Tot[M, N] = \{ \alpha : \alpha \in [M, N]; [N, M]\alpha \text{ contains no nonzeroidempotent} \}$$

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**Lemma 3.1.** [8, Lemma 2.1]. Let  $M_R, N_R$  be modules. The following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) If  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  there exists  $\beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $0 \neq \beta\alpha = (\beta\alpha)^2 \in E_M$ .
- (2) If  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  there exists  $\beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $0 \neq \alpha\beta = (\alpha\beta)^2 \in E_N$ .
- (3) If  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  there exists  $\gamma \in [N, M]$  such that  $\gamma\alpha\gamma = \gamma \notin J[N, M]$ .

Following [8], Recall that  $[M, N]$  is semipotent if, the conditions in lemma 3.1 are satisfied. And recalled  $\alpha \in [M, N]$  is regular if  $\alpha = \alpha\beta\alpha$  for some  $\beta \in [N, M]$ .  $[M, N]$  is called regular if each  $\alpha \in [M, N]$  is regular. Thus  $[M, M]$  is regular if and only if  $E_M$  is regular ring.

**Lemma 3.2.**  $\alpha \in [M, N]$  is regular if and only if  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus N$  and  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus M$ .

Proof. ( $\Rightarrow$ ). Suppose  $\alpha \in [M, N]$  is regular then  $\alpha = \alpha\beta\alpha$  for some  $\beta \in [N, M]$ . Thus  $(\beta\alpha)^2 = \beta\alpha \in E_M$  and  $Ker(\beta\alpha) = Ker(\alpha)$  therefore  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus M$ . On the other hand,  $(\alpha\beta)^2 = \alpha\beta \in E_N$  and  $Im(\alpha\beta) = Im(\alpha)$  therefore  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus N$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ). Since  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus N$  then there exists  $\beta' : Im(\alpha) \rightarrow M$  such that  $\alpha(\beta'(x)) = x$  for all  $x \in Im(\alpha)$ , thus  $\alpha(\beta'\alpha(y)) = \alpha(y)$  for all  $y \in M$ . But  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus N$  so we can extend  $\beta'$  to  $\beta \in [N, M]$  by taking  $\beta = 0$  on the complementary summand. Then for any  $y \in M$ ,  $\alpha\beta\alpha(y) = \alpha(y)$ , thus  $\alpha = \alpha\beta\alpha$ .

**Corollary 3.3.**  $[M, N]$  is regular if and only if for each  $\alpha \in [M, N]$ ,  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus N$  and  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq^\oplus M$ .

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $P$  be a projective module. For any module  $M$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $[M, P]$  is regular.
- (2) For any  $\alpha \in [M, P]$ ,  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Follows from corollary 3.3. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\alpha \in [M, P]$  then  $Im(\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$ , since  $P$  is projective then  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$  again by corollary 3.3,  $[M, N]$  is regular.

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $M_R, N_R$  be modules. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $[M, N]$  is semipotent.
- (2) If  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  there exists  $0 \neq \beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  and  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$ .
- (3) If  $\alpha \in [M, N] \setminus J[M, N]$  there exists  $0 \neq \beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} M$  and  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} M$ .

Proof. Suppose (1) holds. Then  $0 \neq \alpha\beta = (\alpha\beta)^2 \in E_N$  for some  $0 \neq \beta \in [N, M]$  thus  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  and  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$ . Suppose (2) holds. Then  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  and  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} N$  for some  $0 \neq \beta \in [N, M]$  by [7, Lemma 3.1] there exists  $\gamma \in E_N$  such that  $(\alpha\beta)\gamma(\alpha\beta) = \alpha\beta$ . Thus  $\beta\gamma \in [N, M]$  and  $0 \neq \alpha(\beta\gamma) = (\alpha(\beta\gamma))^2 \in E_N$  and by lemma 3.1  $[M, N]$  is semipotent. Similarly, the equivalence (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) holds.

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $P$  be a projective module. For any module  $M$  the following condition are equivalent:

- (1)  $[M, P]$  is semipotent.
- (2) For any  $\alpha \in [M, P] \setminus J[M, P]$  there exists  $0 \neq \beta \in [P, M]$  such that  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) follows immediately from proposition 3.5.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\alpha \in [M, P] \setminus J[M, P]$  then there exist  $0 \neq \beta \in [P, M]$  such that  $Im(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$  since  $P$  is projective then  $Ker(\alpha\beta) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$  by proposition 3.5 follows that  $[M, P]$  is semipotent.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let  $Q$  be an injective module and  $P$  be a projective module. Then:

(1)  $[Q, M]$  is semipotent for any  $R$  – module  $M$  .

(2) If  $E_p$  is semipotent then  $[M, P]$  is semipotent for any  $R$  – module  $M$  .

Proof. (1) Let  $\alpha \in [Q, M]$ ,  $\alpha \notin J[Q, M]$  then there exists  $\beta \in [M, Q]$  such that  $\beta\alpha \notin J(E_Q)$ . Since  $E_Q$  is a semipotent ring then  $\varphi = \varphi\beta\alpha\varphi$  for some  $0 \neq \varphi \in E_Q$ . Thus  $0 \neq (\varphi\beta)\alpha \in E_Q$  is an idempotent and  $\varphi\beta \in [M, Q]$  by lemma 3.1,  $[M, Q]$  is semipotent.

(2) Suppose that  $E_p$  is a semipotent ring. Let  $\alpha \in [M, P] \setminus J[M, P]$  then there exists  $\beta \in [P, M]$  such that  $\alpha\beta \notin J(E_p)$  therefore  $\mu = \mu(\alpha\beta)\mu$  for some  $0 \neq \mu \in E_p$ . Thus  $0 \neq \alpha\beta\mu \in E_p$  is an idempotent and  $\beta\mu \in [P, M]$  by lemma 3.1,  $[M, P]$  is semipotent.

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $M_R, N_R$  be modules. If  $[M, N]$  is semipotent then:

(1)  $\Delta[M, N] \subseteq J[M, N]$ .

(2)  $\nabla[M, N] \subseteq J[M, N]$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $[M, N]$  is semipotent.

(1) Let  $\alpha \in \Delta[M, N]$  then  $Ker(\alpha) \leq_e M$  . Suppose that  $\alpha \notin J[M, N]$  then there exists  $\beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $0 \neq \beta\alpha = (\beta\alpha)^2 \in E_M$  . Since  $Ker(\alpha) \subseteq Ker(\beta\alpha)$  then  $Ker(\alpha) \cap Im(\beta\alpha) \subseteq Ker(\beta\alpha) \cap Im(\beta\alpha) = 0$  . Thus  $Im(\beta\alpha) = 0$  and  $\beta\alpha = 0$  this is a contradiction. Hence  $\alpha \in J[M, N]$ .

(2) Let  $\alpha \in \nabla[M, N]$  then  $Im(\alpha) \ll N$  . Suppose that  $\alpha \notin J[M, N]$  then there exists  $\beta \in [N, M]$  such that  $0 \neq \beta\alpha = (\beta\alpha)^2 \in E_M$  . Since



$Im(\alpha) \ll N$  then  $Im(\beta\alpha) \ll M$  and  $Im(\beta\alpha) \subseteq Im(\beta\alpha) \cap Ker(\beta\alpha) = 0$ , thus  $\beta\alpha = 0$  this is a contradiction. Hence  $\alpha \in J[M, N]$ .

Beidar and Kasch in [1] studied conditions on module  $P$ , which imply that  $Tot[M, P] = \nabla[M, P] = J[M, P]$  for all  $M \in mod - R$  and they showed that these equalities holds if  $P$  is semiperfect and projective, the following theorem shows that these equalities hold if  $P$  is projective and  $E_p$  is semipotent.

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $P$  be a projective module with  $E_p$  is a semipotent ring. Then for any module  $M_R$

$$\Delta[M, P] \subseteq \nabla[M, P] = Tot[M, P] = J[M, P]$$

In particular,  $\Delta E_p \subseteq \nabla E_p = Tot(E_p) = J(E_p)$ .

Proof. Since  $E_p$  is a semipotent ring then by proposition 3.7  $[M, P]$  is semipotent and by [8, Theorem 2.2],  $Tot[M, P] = J[M, P]$ . Let  $\alpha \in \nabla[M, P]$  then  $Im(\alpha) \ll P$  therefore  $Im(\alpha\beta) \ll P$  for all  $\beta \in [P, M]$ , since  $J(E_p) = \nabla E_p$  by corollary 2.2, follows  $\alpha\beta \in J(E_p)$  thus  $\alpha \in J[M, P]$ , i.e.  $\nabla[M, P] = J[M, P]$ .

Let  $\alpha \in J[M, P]$  then for any  $\beta \in [P, M]$ ,  $\alpha\beta \in J(E_p)$  therefore  $Im(\alpha\beta) \ll P$ . Suppose that  $Im(\alpha)$  not small in  $P$  then by [2, Theorem 3.5] there exists  $0 \neq N \subseteq^{\oplus} P$  and  $N \subseteq Im(\alpha)$ . Let  $\mu$  be the projection of  $P$  onto  $N$  then  $0 \neq \mu^2 = \mu \in E_p$ . Since  $Im(\mu) \subseteq Im(\alpha)$  then  $Im(\mu\alpha) = Im(\mu) = N$ , no  $N$  is projective therefore  $Ker(\mu\alpha) \subseteq^{\oplus} P$  and by lemma 3.2, follows that  $\mu\alpha \in [M, P]$  is regular, thus there exists  $\gamma \in [P, M]$  such that  $(\mu\alpha)\gamma(\mu\alpha) = \mu\alpha$  therefore  $0 \neq (\mu\alpha\gamma)^2 = \mu\alpha\gamma \in E_p$ . Since  $\alpha \in J[M, P]$  then  $Im(\alpha\gamma) \ll P$  and  $Im(\mu\alpha\gamma) \ll P$  thus  $\mu\alpha\gamma \in J(E_p)$  which contradiction that  $J(E_p)$  contains no nonzero idempotent, therefore  $Im(\alpha) \ll P$ . This proves  $J[M, P] = \nabla[M, P]$ .  $\Delta[M, P] \subseteq J[M, P]$  follows from lemma 3.8.

**Lemma 3.10.** Let  $Q$  be an injective module. Then for any module  $M$   

$$\nabla[Q, M] \subseteq \Delta[Q, M] = \text{Tot}[Q, M] = J[Q, M]$$

Proof. Beidar and Kasch in [1] showed that if  $Q$  is injective then  $\Delta[Q, M] = \text{Tot}[Q, M] = J[Q, M]$ . On the other hand, since  $Q$  is injective we have by proposition 3.7,  $[Q, M]$  is semipotent and by lemma 3.8,  $\nabla[Q, M] \subseteq J[Q, M]$ .

Note that, by corollary 2.3;  $\text{Tot}(E_M) = J(E_M) = \Delta E_M = \nabla E_M$  for any injective (projective) module over a quasi-frobenius ring. The following Theorem generalize this fact.

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $Q$  be an injective module and  $P$  be a projective module with  $E_p$  is a semipotent ring. Then

$$\nabla[Q, P] = \Delta[Q, P] = \text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P]$$

Proof. By theorem 3.9, we have  $\Delta[Q, P] \subseteq \nabla[Q, P] = \text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P]$  and by lemma 3.10, we have  $\nabla[Q, P] \subseteq \Delta[Q, P] = \text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P]$ . Thus  $\nabla[Q, P] = \Delta[Q, P] = \text{Tot}[Q, P] = J[Q, P]$ .

Recall a projective module  $P$  is an  $I_0$ -module [2] if, for every submodule  $K$  of  $P$ ,  $K \not\subseteq J(P)$  contains a nonzero direct summand of  $P$ .

**Theorem 3.12.** For any ring  $R$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $R$  is a semipotent ring and  $J(R)$  is left  $T$ -nilpotent.
- (2) Any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$  is an  $I_0$ -module and  $J(P) \ll P$ .
- (3)  $E_p$  is a semipotent ring for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$ .
- (4)  $[M, P]$  is semipotent for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$  and any module  $M \in \text{mod-}R$ .
- (5)  $\text{Tot}[M, P] = J[M, P]$  for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$  and any module  $M \in \text{mod-}R$ .

- (6)  $\text{Tot}[P, N] = J[P, N]$  for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$  and any module  $N \in \text{mod-}R$ .
- (7)  $[P, N]$  is semipotent for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$  and any module  $N \in \text{mod-}R$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) by [2, Theorem 3.8], (see also [8, Theorem 4.10] for (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3)). (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) by proposition 3.7(2). (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) take  $M = P$  for any projective module  $P \in \text{mod-}R$ . (4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5). By [8, Theorem 2.2]. (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (6). By [8, Theorem 4.5(2)]. (6)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (7). By [8, theorem 2.2].

**Remark.** In [1] Bediar and Kasch showed that if  $Q_R$  is an injective module then  $\text{Tot}[Q, N] = J[Q, N]$  for all  $N \in \text{mod-}R$ , so by [8, Theorem 2.2],  $[Q, N]$  is semipotent. In particular, if  $R$  is self injective then  $R$  is a semipotent ring, (see also [6, Theorem 1.3]).

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