



## SS-LIFTING MODULES AND RINGS

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*Abstract.* A module  $M$  is called *ss-lifting* if for every submodule  $A$  of  $M$ , there is a decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  such that  $M_1 \leq A$  and  $A \cap M_2 \subseteq Soc_s(M)$ , where  $Soc_s(M) = Soc(M) \cap Rad(M)$ . In this paper, we provide the basic properties of *ss-lifting* modules. It is shown that: (1) a module  $M$  is *ss-lifting* iff it is amply *ss-supplemented* and its *ss-supplement* submodules are direct summand; (2) for a ring  $R$ ,  ${}_R R$  is *ss-lifting* if and only if it is *ss-supplemented* iff it is semiperfect and its radical is semisimple; (3) a ring  $R$  is a left and right artinian serial ring and  $Rad(R) \subseteq Soc({}_R R)$  iff every left  $R$ -module is *ss-lifting*. We also study on factor modules of *ss-lifting* modules.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this study  $R$  is used to show a ring which is associative and has an identity. All mentioned modules will be unital left  $R$ -module. Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. The notation  $A \leq M$  means that  $A$  is a submodule of  $M$ . A proper submodule  $A$  of  $M$  is called *small* in  $M$  and showed by  $A \ll M$  whenever  $A + C \neq M$  for all proper submodule  $C$  of  $M$ . A module  $M$  is called *hollow* if every submodule of  $M$  is small in  $M$ . By  $Rad(M)$ , namely *radical*, we will denote the sum of all small submodules of  $M$ . Equivalently,  $Rad(M)$  is the intersection of all maximal submodules of  $M$ . A hollow module  $M$  with maximal radical is *local*. As a dual notion of a small submodule, a submodule  $E \subseteq M$  is called *essential* in  $M$ , denoted by  $E \trianglelefteq M$ , if  $E \cap K \neq 0$  for every nonzero submodule  $K$  of  $M$ . The socle of  $M$  which is the sum of all simple submodules of  $M$  is denoted by  $Soc(M)$ . It is well known that  $Soc(M)$  is the intersection of all essential submodules of  $M$ . The relation between radical and socle of a module  $M$  is not determined. In [8], the sum of all simple submodules of the module  $M$  that is small is denoted by  $Soc_s(M)$ . It is shown in [4, Lemma 2] that  $Soc_s(M) = Soc(M) \cap Rad(M)$ .

A module  $M$  is called *extending* if every submodule of  $M$  is essential in a direct summand of  $M$  [3]. Dually, a module  $M$  is *lifting* if for every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  lies over a direct summand, that is, there is a decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  such that  $M_1 \leq A$ ,  $A \cap M_2 \ll M_2$ . A characterization of lifting modules is given with help of

supplemented modules in [3]. Here a module  $M$  is *supplemented* if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  has a supplement  $B$  in  $M$ , that is,  $M = A + B$  and  $A \cap B \ll B$ .  $M$  is called *amply supplemented* if whenever  $M = A + B$ ,  $B$  contains a supplement of  $A$  in  $M$ . Clearly, direct summands are supplements. By [7],  $M$  is lifting if and only if  $M$  is amply supplemented and every supplement submodule of  $M$  is a direct summand of it.

Since  $Soc_s(X) = Soc(X) \cap Rad(X) \ll X$  for any module  $X$ , the authors call a submodule  $V$  of a module  $M$  *ss-supplement* of a submodule  $U$  in  $M$  if  $M = U + V$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(V)$  (see [4]). It is shown in [4, Lemma 3] that a submodule  $V$  of  $M$  is *ss-supplement* of some submodule  $U$  in  $M$  if and only if  $V$  is a supplement of  $U$  in  $M$  and  $U \cap V$  is semisimple. Following [4], a module  $M$  is said to be *ss-supplemented* if every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  has an *ss-supplement*  $B$  in  $M$ , and it is called *amply ss-supplemented* if whenever  $M = A + B$ ,  $B$  contains an *ss-supplement* of  $A$  in  $M$ . Clearly, the class of *ss-supplemented* modules is between the class of semisimple modules and the class of supplemented modules. The basic properties and characterizations of *ss-supplemented* modules are given in the same paper.

Considering all of these definitions, we can define *ss-lifting* modules. A module  $M$  is called *ss-lifting* if for every submodule  $A$  of  $M$ , there is a decomposition  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  such that  $M_1 \leq A$ ,  $A \cap M_2 \ll M$  and  $A \cap M_2$  is semisimple. In this paper, some fundamental properties of *ss-lifting* modules will be examined. It is proved that a module  $M$  is *ss-lifting* module if and only if it is amply *ss-supplemented* and every *ss-supplement* submodule of  $M$  is direct summand. It is shown that every  $\pi$ -projective and *ss-supplemented* module is *ss-lifting*. It is proved that for a ring  $R$ ,  ${}_R R$  is *ss-lifting* if and only if  $R$  is semiperfect and its radical is semisimple. Moreover, it is shown that  $R$  is a left and right artinian serial ring and  $Rad(R) \subseteq Soc({}_R R)$  if and only if every left  $R$ -module is *ss-lifting*. Nevertheless, it is proved that any factor module generated by submodule of a weakly distributive module is *ss-lifting*.

## 2. SS-LIFTING MODULES

In this section, we examine the basic properties of *ss-lifting* modules. In particular, we give characterizations of some ring classes via *ss-lifting* modules. Let us begin with the following definition.

**Definition 1.** Let  $M$  be a module.  $M$  is called *ss-lifting* if, for every submodule  $U$  of  $M$ ,  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = U' \oplus V$  such that  $U' \subseteq U$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(V)$ .

It can be seen that a module  $M$  is *ss-lifting* if and only if, for every submodule  $U$  of  $M$ ,  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = U' \oplus V$  such that  $U' \subseteq U$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(M)$ . Note that we shall freely use this fact in this paper. It is clear that every *ss-lifting* module is lifting. The following example shows that in general a lifting module need not be *ss-lifting*.

*Example 1.* Let  $R$  be a local Dedekind domain and  $K$  be the quotient field of  $R$ . Put  $M = {}_R K$ . Then  $M$  is hollow and so it is lifting. Since  $R$  is a commutative domain and

$M$  is an injective module, it follows that  $M = \text{Rad}(M)$  and  $\text{Soc}(M) = 0$ . Therefore  $\text{Soc}_s(M) = \text{Soc}(M) \cap \text{Rad}(M) = 0$ . So  $M$  is not  $ss$ -lifting.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $M$  be an  $ss$ -lifting module. Then  $M$  is amply  $ss$ -supplemented.*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be any submodule of  $M$ . By the hypothesis, there are a submodule  $V$  of  $M$  and  $U' \leq U$  such that  $M = U' \oplus V$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(V)$ . Therefore  $M = U + V$ . It means that  $V$  is an  $ss$ -supplement of  $U$  in  $M$  and so  $M$  is  $ss$ -supplemented. It follows from [4, Proposition 26] that  $U'$  is  $ss$ -supplemented as a direct summand of  $M$ . Now, by modularity law, we can write  $U = U \cap M = U \cap (U' \oplus V) = U' \oplus (U \cap V)$  and then  $U$  is  $ss$ -supplemented by [4, Corollary 24] since  $U \cap V$  is semisimple. Hence  $M$  is amply  $ss$ -supplemented according to [4, Proposition 33].  $\square$

In [4], a module  $M$  is said to be *strongly local* if  $M$  is local and its radical is semisimple. Using Lemma 1, we have the next result.

**Corollary 1.** *For the non-zero hollow module  $M$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $M$  is strongly local.
- (2)  $M$  is  $ss$ -lifting.
- (3)  $M$  is amply  $ss$ -supplemented.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $U$  be a proper submodule of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is strongly local, we have  $U \subseteq \text{Rad}(M) \subseteq \text{Soc}(M)$  and then  $U$  is semisimple. Now, if  $U' = 0$  and  $V = M$  are taken, we obtain that  $M = U' \oplus M$ ,  $U' \leq U$  and  $U \cap M = U$  is semisimple. Thus  $M$  is  $ss$ -lifting.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) It is clear that by Lemma 1.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) By [4, Proposition 15].  $\square$

Observe from Corollary 1 that the local  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}_8$  is lifting which is not  $ss$ -lifting.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $M$  be a module and  $A \leq M$ . The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) There is a direct summand  $X$  of  $M$  such that  $X \leq A$  and  $\frac{A}{X} \subseteq \text{Soc}_s\left(\frac{M}{X}\right)$ .
- (2) There are a direct summand  $X$  of  $M$  and a submodule  $Y$  of  $M$  such that  $X \leq A$ ,  $A = X + Y$  and  $Y \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(M)$ .
- (3) There is a decomposition  $M = X \oplus X'$  with  $X \subseteq A$  and  $X' \cap A \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(M)$ .
- (4)  $A$  has an  $ss$ -supplement  $X'$  in  $M$  such that  $X' \cap A$  is a direct summand in  $A$ .
- (5) There is a homomorphism  $e: M \rightarrow M$  with  $e^2 = e$  such that  $e(M) \leq A$  and  $(1 - e)(A) \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(1 - e)(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) Since  $X$  is a direct summand of  $M$ , there exists a submodule  $X'$  of  $M$  with  $M = X \oplus X'$ . If both sides of the equality are taken with  $A$ , we get that  $A = X + (X' \cap A)$ . Since  $\frac{A}{X} \ll \frac{M}{X}$  and  $\frac{A}{X}$  is semisimple,  $\Psi\left(\frac{A}{X}\right) = X' \cap A \ll X$  and  $X' \cap A$  is semisimple where  $\Psi: M \rightarrow X$  is the canonical projection.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) By the hypothesis, we can write  $M = X \oplus X'$  for some submodule  $X'$  of  $M$ . Then  $X'$  is a *ss*-supplement of  $X$  in  $M$  and so a *ss*-supplement of  $A = X + Y$  in  $M$  by [4, Lemma 22]. Therefore  $X' \cap A \subseteq Soc_s(X')$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4) If we take an intersection the equality  $M = X \oplus X'$  with  $A$ , we can write  $A = X \oplus (X' \cap A)$ . Hence  $X'$  is a *ss*-supplement of  $A$  in  $M$ .

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (5) From the hypothesis, we have  $M = A + X'$ ,  $X' \cap A \subseteq Soc_s(X')$  and  $A = (X' \cap A) \oplus X$  for some  $X \subseteq A$ . Then  $M = A + X' = (X' \cap A) + X + X' = X + X'$  and  $(X' \cap A) \cap X = 0$  and  $M = X + X'$ . Let  $e: M \rightarrow M$  be the projection such that  $e(m) = x$ ,  $m = x + x'$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $x' \in X'$ . Then  $e(M) \subseteq X \subseteq U$ . Since  $(1 - e)(M) = X'$ , we get that  $(1 - e)(A) = X' \cap A \ll X' = (1 - e)(M)$  and  $X' \cap A$  is semisimple.

(5) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Let  $X = e(M)$ . Since  $e$  is an idempotent, we have  $M = e(M) \oplus (1 - e)(M)$ . Then  $M = X \oplus (1 - e)(M)$  with  $X \subseteq A$ . We will consider the isomorphism  $\Phi: \frac{M}{X} \rightarrow (1 - e)(M)$ . From here,  $\Phi\left(\frac{A}{X}\right) = (1 - e)(A) \ll (1 - e)(M) = \Phi\left(\frac{M}{X}\right)$ . Since  $\Phi^{-1}$  is an isomorphism, we can get  $\frac{A}{X} \ll \frac{M}{X}$  and  $\Phi^{-1}((1 - e)(A)) = \frac{A}{X}$  is semisimple. Therefore  $\frac{A}{X} \subseteq Soc_s\left(\frac{M}{X}\right)$ .  $\square$

Note that every direct summand of a module is an *ss*-supplement submodule of the module and *ss*-supplement submodules are supplement.

**Theorem 1.** *For a module  $M$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $M$  is *ss*-lifting.
- (2) Every submodule  $A$  of  $M$  can be written as  $A = N \oplus S$  with  $N$  is a direct summand of  $M$  and  $S \subseteq Soc_s(M)$ .
- (3)  $M$  is an amply *ss*-supplemented module and every *ss*-supplement submodule of  $M$  is a direct summand.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) By Lemma 2.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) It follows from Lemma 1 that  $M$  is an amply *ss*-supplemented module. Since every supplement submodule of a lifting module is a direct summand of the module, it follows from (1) that every every *ss*-supplement in  $M$  is a direct summand.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $A$  be a submodule of  $M$ . By the hypothesis,  $A$  has an *ss*-supplement  $X$  and  $X$  has an *ss*-supplement  $Y$  such that  $Y \leq A$  and  $Y$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . Then there exists a submodule  $T$  of  $M$  with  $M = Y \oplus T$ . Hence we get that  $A = Y \oplus (A \cap T)$  and  $A = Y + (A \cap X)$ . If we consider the projection  $\pi: Y \oplus T \rightarrow T$ , we can obtain that  $\pi(A) = \pi(Y + (A \cap X)) = A \cap T$ . In this way, we say that there is a decomposition  $M = Y \oplus T$  such that  $Y \leq A$ ,  $A \cap T \ll M$  and  $A \cap T \subseteq Soc_s(M)$  and so  $M$  is *ss*-lifting.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $M$  be a  $\pi$ -projective and *ss*-supplemented module. Then  $M$  is *ss*-lifting.*

*Proof.* By Proposition 37 of [4],  $M$  is amply *ss*-supplemented. Since  $M$  is *ss*-supplemented, there exists a submodule  $V$  of  $M$  such that  $M = U + V$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(V)$ . On the other side, there exists a submodule  $U$  of  $M$  such that

$M = U' + V$ ,  $U' \subseteq U$  and  $U' \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(U')$  because  $M$  is amply *ss-supplemented*. Hence  $U'$  and  $V$  are mutual *ss-supplements*. By 41.14 (2) in [7], we can write  $U' \cap V = 0$ . It means that  $M = U' \oplus V$ . Thus  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $M$  be an *ss-lifting* module. Then every direct summand of  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a direct summand of  $M$  with  $M = X \oplus X'$  for some submodule  $X'$  of  $M$  and  $U \leq X$ . Since  $M$  is *ss-lifting*, there there exists a submodule  $V$  of  $M$  such that  $M = U + V$ ,  $U \cap V \subseteq Soc_s(V)$ . Then we can write  $X = U' \oplus (X \cap V)$  and  $U \cap (X \cap V) = (U \cap X) \cap V = U \cap V$  is semisimple. It follows from  $U \cap V \ll M$  and  $U \cap V \ll X$  because  $X$  is a direct summand of  $M$ . Hence  $X = U' \oplus (X \cap V)$  implies that  $U \cap V \ll X \cap V$ . Thus  $X$  is *ss-lifting*.  $\square$

Now, we will give necessary conditions for any lifting module to be *ss-lifting*.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $M$  be a module with small radical. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.
- (2)  $M$  is *lifting* and  $Rad(M) \subseteq Soc(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Since  $Rad(M)$  is a small submodule of  $M$  and  $M$  is *ss-lifting*,  $M$  is an *ss-supplement* of  $Rad(M)$  in  $M$  and so  $Rad(M) \cap M = Rad(M)$  is semisimple.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $U \leq M$ . Since  $M$  is *lifting*, there is a decomposition for a submodule  $V$  of  $M$ ,  $M = U' \oplus V$ ,  $U' \leq U$  and  $U \cap V \ll V$ . It follows that  $U \cap V \subseteq Rad(V) \subseteq Rad(M)$  is semisimple. Thus  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.  $\square$

Since a projective supplemented module has small radical, we have the following fact as a result of Theorem 4.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $M$  be a projective module. Then  $M$  is *ss-lifting* if and only if it is *lifting* and its radical is semisimple.*

Recall from [7, 43.9] that a ring whose all left modules are supplemented is *left perfect*. It follows from [7, 43.9] that a ring  $R$  is left perfect if and only if  $R$  is semilocal and  $Rad(R)$  is right t-nilpotent if and only if every left  $R$ -module has a projective cover, that is, for any left  $R$ -module  $M$ , there exist a projective module  $P$  and an epimorphism  $f: P \rightarrow M$  with small kernel.  $R$  is called *semiperfect* if every finitely generated left (or right)  $R$ -module is supplemented. Now we give a characterization of semiperfect (left perfect) rings.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $R$  be an arbitrary ring. Then  ${}_R R$  is *ss-lifting* if and only if  $R$  is *semiperfect* and  $Rad(R) \subseteq Soc({}_R R)$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.** *The following statements are equivalent for a ring  $R$ .*

- (1)  ${}_R R$  is *ss-lifting*.
- (2)  ${}_R R$  is *ss-supplemented*.
- (3) Every left  $R$ -module is *ss-supplemented*.
- (4)  $R$  is *semiperfect* and  $\text{Rad}(R) \subseteq \text{Soc}({}_R R)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) It is clear.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) It follows from [4, Theorem 41].

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) By Theorem 4. □

Now we characterize the rings with the property that every left module is *ss-lifting*. Firstly, we need following lemma.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $M$  be a lifting module and  $\text{Rad}(M) \subseteq \text{Soc}(M)$ . Then  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* The proof is clear. □

**Theorem 6.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is a left and right artinian serial ring and  $\text{Rad}(R) \subseteq \text{Soc}({}_R R)$ .
- (2) Every left  $R$ -module is *ss-lifting*.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) By the hypothesis and Lemma 3, it is clear that  $\text{Rad}(R) \subseteq \text{Soc}({}_R R)$ . On the other side, if every left  $R$ -module is semisimple lifting, then every left  $R$ -module is lifting by [2, 29.10].

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Since  $\text{Rad}(R) \subseteq \text{Soc}({}_R R)$ , we have  $\text{Rad}(R)^2 = 0$  by [7, 21.12 (4)]. Moreover, we say that every left  $R$ -module is lifting by [2, 29.10]. We can write  $\text{Rad}(M) = \text{Rad}(R)M \subseteq \text{Soc}({}_R R)M \subseteq \text{Soc}(M)$  because  $R$  is an artinian ring. Therefore  $M$  is *ss-lifting* by previous Lemma. □

*Example 2.* Consider the local ring  $R = \mathbb{Z}_4$  is left and right artinian serial ring and  $\text{Rad}(R) = \{0, 2\} = \text{Soc}({}_R R)$  and so every left  $R$ -module is *ss-lifting* by Theorem 6.

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $M$  be a *ss-lifting* module. If  $\frac{K+X}{X}$  is a direct summand of  $\frac{M}{X}$  for every direct summand  $K$  of  $M$ , then  $\frac{M}{X}$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Let  $\frac{A}{X} \leq \frac{M}{X}$ . Since  $M$  is *ss-lifting*, there exists a direct summand  $K$  of  $M$  with  $K \leq A$  and  $\frac{A}{K} \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(\frac{M}{K})$  by Lemma 2. It is clear that  $\frac{K+X}{X} \leq \frac{A}{X}$ . If we say  $\frac{A}{K+X} \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(\frac{M}{K+X})$ , the proof is completed. Since  $\frac{(\frac{M}{K})}{(\frac{K+X}{K})} \cong \frac{M}{K+X}$ , we get that  $\frac{A}{K+X} \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(\frac{M}{K+X})$ . Therefore,  $\frac{M}{X}$  is a *ss-lifting* module by Lemma 2. □

Recall from [2] that a submodule  $U$  of  $M$  is called *fully invariant* if  $f(U)$  is contained in  $U$  for every  $R$ -endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$ . Recall from [2] that a module  $M$  is called *duo* if every submodule of  $M$  is fully invariant in  $M$ .

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $M$  be a *ss-lifting* module and  $X$  be a fully invariant submodule of  $M$ . Then  $\frac{M}{X}$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $M = K \oplus L$ . Then  $e(M) = K$  and  $(1 - e)(M) = L$  for some  $e \in \text{End}(M)$ . Since  $X$  is fully invariant,  $e(X) = X \cap K$  and  $(1 - e)(X) = X \cap L$ . From here,  $X = e(X) \oplus (1 - e)(X) = (X \cap K) \oplus (X \cap L)$  and we can write  $\frac{K+X}{X} = \frac{K + [(X \cap K) \oplus (X \cap L)]}{X} = \frac{K \oplus (X \cap L)}{X}$  and  $\frac{L+X}{X} = \frac{L + [(X \cap K) \oplus (X \cap L)]}{X} = \frac{L \oplus (X \cap K)}{X}$ . Hence  $M = K + \frac{K+X}{X} + L + \frac{L+X}{X} = [K \oplus (X \cap L)] + L + X$  implies that  $[K \oplus (X \cap L)] \cap [L + X] = [K \oplus (X \cap L)] \cap [L + (X \cap K)] = (X \cap K) \oplus (X \cap L) = X$  and  $\frac{M}{X} = \left( \frac{K \oplus (X \cap L)}{X} \right) \oplus \left( \frac{L + X}{X} \right)$ . Thus  $\frac{M}{X}$  is *ss-lifting* by the previous theorem.  $\square$

Recall from [1] that a submodule  $U$  is called a *weak distributive* of  $M$  if  $U = (U \cap X) + (U \cap Y)$  for all submodules  $X, Y \leq M$  such that  $M = X + Y$ . A module  $M$  is said to be *weakly distributive* if every submodule of  $M$  is a weak distributive submodule of  $M$ .

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $M$  be a weakly distributive module and  $X \leq M$ . Then  $\frac{M}{X}$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Let  $M = K \oplus L$ . Then we have  $\frac{M}{X} = \left( \frac{K+X}{X} \right) + \left( \frac{L+X}{X} \right)$  and  $X = X + K \cap L = (X + K) \cap (X + L)$ . Thus  $\frac{M}{X} = \left( \frac{K+X}{X} \right) \oplus \left( \frac{L+X}{X} \right)$  and so  $\frac{M}{X}$  is *ss-lifting* by Theorem 7.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  be a duo module. If  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are *ss-lifting* modules, then  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $L$  be a submodule of  $M$ . We can write  $L = \bigoplus_{i=1}^2 (L \cap M_i)$  by Lemma 2.1 of [2]. For each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , there exists a direct summand  $D_i$  of  $M_i$  such that  $M_i = D_i \oplus D'_i$  with  $D_i \leq L \cap M_i$  and  $L \cap D'_i \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(D'_i)$ . From here

$$M = M_1 \oplus M_2 = (D_1 \oplus D'_1) \oplus (D_2 \oplus D'_2) = (D_1 \oplus D_2) \oplus (D'_1 \oplus D'_2).$$

It is clear that  $D_1 \oplus D_2 \leq L$ . Since  $L \cap D'_i \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(D'_i)$ ,  $L \cap (D'_1 \oplus D'_2) \subseteq \text{Soc}_s(D'_1 \oplus D'_2)$ . Therefore  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.  $\square$

**Lemma 5** (see [5, Lemma 5]). *The following statements are equivalent for a module  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ .*

- (i)  $M_2$  is  $M_1$ -projective.
- (ii) For each submodule  $N$  of  $M$  with  $M = M_1 + N$  there exists a submodule  $N'$  of  $N$  such that  $M = M_1 \oplus N'$ .

**Theorem 11.** *Let the module  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  with  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are relatively projective modules. If  $M_1$  is semisimple and  $M_2$  is *ss-lifting*, then  $M$  is *ss-lifting*.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $K$  be a non-zero submodule of  $M$ .

Case 1: Assume that  $T = M_1 \cap (K + M_2) \neq 0$ . Since  $M_1$  is semisimple, we can write  $M_1 = T \oplus T_1$  for some submodule  $T_1$  of  $M_1$  and so  $M = T \oplus T_1 \oplus M_2 = [(M_1 \cap (K + M_2))] \oplus T_1 \oplus M_2 = K \oplus (M_2 \oplus T_1)$ . Using Prop. 4.31, Prop. 4.32 and

Prop. 4.33 in [6], we can say that  $T$  is  $M_2 \oplus T_1$ -projective. By 41.14 in [7], there exists a submodule  $K_1$  of  $K$  such that  $M = K_1 \oplus (M_2 \oplus T_1)$ . Let  $A$  be any submodule of  $M_2$  and  $K \cap (M_2 \oplus T_1) \neq 0$ . Since  $K \cap (A + T_1) \leq A \cap (K + T_1) + T_1 \cap (K + A)$  and  $T_1 \cap (K + A) = 0$ , then  $K \cap (A + T_1) \leq A \cap (K + T_1)$ . Similarly,  $A \cap (K + T_1) \leq K \cap (A + T_1)$ . Hence  $A \cap (K + T_1) = K \cap (A + T_1)$ . Moreover, if we consider  $M_2$  is *ss*-lifting, then there exists a submodule  $X_1$  of  $M_2 \cap (K + T_1) = K \cap (M_2 + T_1)$  such that  $M_2 = X_1 \oplus X_2$  and  $X_2 \cap (K + T_1) \subseteq Soc_s(X_2)$  for some submodule  $X_2$  of  $M_2$ . Therefore  $M = (K_1 \oplus X_1) \oplus (X_2 \oplus T_1)$ ,  $K_1 \oplus T_1 \leq K$  and  $K \cap (X_2 \oplus T_1) = X_2 \cap (K + T_1) \subseteq Soc_s(X_2 \oplus T_1)$ .

Case 2: Assume that  $T = M_1 \cap (K + M_2) = 0$ . From here  $T$  is a submodule of  $M_2$ . Since  $M_2$  is *ss*-lifting, there exists a submodule  $Y_1$  of  $K$  such that  $M_2 = Y_1 \oplus Y_2$ ,  $K \cap Y_2 \subseteq Soc_s(Y_2)$  for some submodule  $Y_2$  of  $M_2$ . Thus  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2 = M_1 \oplus (Y_1 \oplus Y_2) = Y_1 \oplus (M_1 \oplus Y_2)$  and  $K \cap (M_1 \oplus Y_2) = K \cap Y_2 \subseteq Soc_s(M_1 \oplus Y_2)$ . As a result  $M$  is *ss*-lifting.  $\square$

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