# On Weakly Regular Rings and SSF-rings

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#### **ABSRACT**

In this work we consider weakly regular rings whose simple singular right R-Modules are flat. We also consider the condition (\*): R satisfies  $L(a) \subseteq r(a)$  for any  $a \in R$ . We prove that if R satisfies(\*) and whose simple singular right R-module are flat, then Z (R) the center of R is a von Neunann regular ring. We also show that a ring R either satisfies (\*) or a strongly right bounded ring in which every simple singular right R-module is flat, then R is reduced weakly regular rings.

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## الملخص

في هذا البحث درسنا الحلقات المنتظمة الضعيفة, التي تكون مقاساتها الشاذة اليمنى البسيطة مسطحة وكذلك درسنا الشرط(\*)على الحلقة Rوالذي يحقق (L(a) $\subseteq$ (a) لكل L(a) في R وأثبتنا أن الحلقة التي تحقق الشرط (\*) والتي تكون مقاساتها الشاذة اليمنى البسيطة مسطحة , فأن مركز الحلقة يكون حلقة منتظمة. وأثبتنا أيضا إن الحلقة R التي تكون مقاساتها الشاذة اليمنى البسيطة مسطحة و تحقق الشرط (\*) أو مقيدة يمنى قوية فأن R حلقة مختزلة ومنتظمة ضعيفة.

#### 1- Introduction

Through out this paper, R denotes an associative ring with identity, and all modules are unitary ring R-modules. For any non-empty subset X of ring R, r(X) and L(X) denote the right annihilator of X and the left

annihilator of X, respectively. Z(R), J(R) will denote respectively the center of R and Jacobson redical of R. Recall that :- 1- R is called reduced if R has no non-zero nilpotent elements . 2-R is said to be Von Numann regular (or just regular) if ,  $a \in aRa$  for every  $a \in R$ , and R is called strongly regular if  $a \in a^2R$ . Clearly every strongly regular ring is a regular reduced ring. 3- R ring R is said to be right (left) quesi duo ring [3], if every maximal right(left)ideal is a two-sided ideal of R. 4- Following [6], for any ideal of R, R/I is flat if and only if for each R if for any R is called weakly right duo[4] if for any R is a positive integer R such that R is a two-sided ideal of R.

# 2- Rings Whose Simple Singular Modules are Flat

# **Definition 2-1:-**

A ring R is called a right (left) SSF-ring ,if every simple singular right (left) R-module is flat.

The following lemma is well-known, so we omit its proof.

### Lemma 2-2:-

For any  $a \in Z(R)$  , if ara=a for some  $r \in R$ , then there exists  $b \in Z(R)$  such that a=aba.

**Proof**:- see[7]

We consider the condition(\*): R satisfies  $L(a) \subseteq r(a)$  for any  $a \in R$ .

## **Proposition 2-3:-**

If R satisfies (\*), SSF-ring, then the center Z(R) of R is a Von Neumann regular ring.

**Proof:** First we will show that aR+r(a)=R for any  $a \in Z(R)$ .

If not, there exists a maximal right ideal M of R such that  $aR+r(a) \subseteq M$ . Since  $a \in Z(R)$ , aR+r(a) is an essential right ideal and so M must be an essential right ideal of R. Since R/M is flat and  $a \in M$ , then there exists  $b \in M$  such that a=ba and hence  $(1-b) \in L(a) \subseteq r(a) \subseteq M$  implies  $l \in M$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore aR+r(a)=R for any  $a \in Z(R)$  and so we have a=ara for some  $r \in R$ . Applying Lemma (2-2) Z(R) is a Von Neumann regular ring.

Recall that a ring R is right (left) weakly regular if  $I^2=I$  for each right (left) ideal I of R; equivalently.  $a \in aRaR$  ( $a \in RaRa$ ) for every  $a \in R$ . R is weakly regular if it is both right and left weakly regular[5].

# Lemma 2-4: -

If R satisfies (\*), then RaR+r(a) is an essential right ideal.

**Proof** :- see[7]

### **Theorem 2-5: -**

If R satisfies (\*), and SSF-ring, then R is a reduced weakly regular ring.

**Proof:-** Let  $a^2=0$ . Suppose that  $a\neq 0$ .By Lemma (2-4),r(a) is essential right ideal of R. Since  $a\neq 0$ , $r(a)\neq R$ . Thus there exists a maximal essential right ideal M of R containing r(a). Since R/M is flat and  $a\in M$  there exists  $b\in M$  such that a=ba and hence  $(1-b)\in L(a)\subseteq r(a)\subseteq M$  and so  $1\in M$ , which is a contradiction. Hence a=0 and so R is reduced.

Now, we will show that RaR+r(a)=R for any  $a \in R$ . Suppose that there exists  $b \in R$  such that  $RbR+r(b) \neq R$ . Then there exists a maximal right ideal M of R containing RbR+r(b). By Lemma(2-4), M must be essential in R. Therefore R/M is flat . Then there exists  $c \in M$  such that b=cb and  $hence(1-c)\in L(b)\subseteq r(b)\subseteq M$  and so  $1\in M$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore RaR+r(a)=R for any  $a\in R$ . Hence R is a right weakly regular ring. Since R is reduced, it also can be easily verified that R is a weakly regular ring.

## Corollary 2-6: -

If R is a reduced and SSF-ring, then R is a weakly regular ring.

### Lemma 2-7: -

Let R be a right quasi duo ring. Then R/J(R) is a reduced ring.

**<u>Proof:-</u>** see[6]

### **Proposition 2-8**:-

Let R be a right quasi duo ring. The following statements are equivalent.

- a) R is a right weakly regular ring.
- b) R is a strongly regular ring.

**<u>Proof</u>**:- see[6]

## **Proposition2-9:-**

Every weakly right (left) duo ring is right (left)quasi-duo.

**Proof:**- see[1]

# Proposition 2-10: -

Let R be a right(left) quasi duo ring. If every simple singular right R-module is flat, then R/J(R) is strongly regular.

**<u>Proof</u>**: - Let  $\overline{0} \neq \overline{a} \in \overline{R} = R/J(R)$ . We will show that  $\overline{R}\overline{a}\overline{R} + r(\overline{a}) = \overline{R}$ .

Suppose not. Then there exists a maximal right ideal M of R such that  $\overline{R}\overline{a}\overline{R}+r(\overline{a})\subseteq M/J(R)$ . From Lemma (2-7),  $\overline{R}$  is reduced we have  $r(\overline{a})=L(\overline{a})$  for any  $\overline{a}\in\overline{R}$ . Then by Lemma(2-4)  $\overline{R}\overline{a}\overline{R}+r(\overline{a})$  is an

essential right ideal of  $\overline{R}$ . Thus R/J(R) must be right essential in  $\overline{R}$ . Therefore R/M is a simple singular right R-module and so R/M is flat, then there exists  $c \in M$  such that a = ca and hence  $(1-c) \in L(a) \subseteq r(a) \subseteq M$  and so  $I \in M$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore R/J(R) is right weakly regular since R/J(R) is reduced it also can be easily verified that R/J(R) is a weakly regular ring. By proposition(2-8), R is a strongly regular ring.

# **Corollary 2-11**: -

Let R be aweakly right duo, SSF-ring. Then R/J(R) is a right weakly regular ring.

**Proof:**-By Proposition (2-9) R is a right quasi duo ring. Also by Proposition (2-10) R/J(R) is a right weakly regular ring.

A ring R is called strongly right bounded (briefly SRB) [2] if every non-zero right ideal contains a non-zero two-sided ideal of R.

### Lemma 2-12:-

If R is a semi prime SRB ring, then R is reduced.

**<u>Proof</u>**:- see[2]

# **Theorem 2-13**: -

Let R be a SRB and SSF-ring. Then R is a reduced weakly regular.

**Proof:** - By Corollary(2-6) and Lemma (2-12), it is enough to show that R is semi prime. Suppose that there exists a non-zero right ideal A of R such that  $A^2=0$ . Then there exists  $0\neq a\in A$  such that  $a^2=0$ . First observe that r(a) is an essential right ideal of R. If not there exists a non-zero right ideal K such that  $r(a)\oplus K$  is right essential in R. Since R is SRB, there is a non-zero ideal I of R such that  $I\subseteq K$ .

Now  $aI \subset aR \cap I \subset r(a) \cap K = 0$ . Hence  $I \subset r(a) \cap K = 0$  (  $aI \subset I$ ).

This is a contradiction. Thus r(a) must be a proper essential right ideal of R. Hence there exists a maximal right ideal M of R containing r(a). Clearly M is an essential right ideal of R, R/M is flat, then there exists  $c \in M$  such that a=ca. Now  $aca \in aRa \subseteq A^2=0$  and so  $1 \in M$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore R must be semi-prime, hence R is a reduced weakly regular.

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