

## JACOBSON MONOFORM MODULES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce and study the concept of Jacobson monoform modules which is a proper generalization of that of monoform modules. We present a characterization of semisimple rings in terms of Jacobson monoform modules by proving that a ring  $R$  is semisimple if and only if every  $R$ -module is Jacobson monoform. Moreover, we demonstrate that over a ring  $R$ , the properties monoform, Jacobson monoform, compressible, uniform and weakly co-Hopfian are all equivalent.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, all rings are commutative with identity and all modules are unitary  $R$ -modules. Let  $L$  be an  $R$ -module, for submodules  $A$  and  $B$  of  $L$ ,  $A \leq B$  denotes that  $A$  is a submodule of  $B$ ,  $A \leq^{\oplus} L$  denotes that  $A$  is a direct summand of  $L$ , and  $E(L)$ ,  $\text{Rad}(L)$ ,  $\text{Soc}(L)$ ,  $\text{End}_R(L)$  will denote the injective hull, the radical, the socle and the ring of endomorphisms of a module  $L$ .

Recall that a submodule  $N$  of  $L$  is called a small submodule of  $L$  if whenever  $N + K = L$  for some submodule  $K$  of  $L$ , we have  $L = K$ , and in this case we write  $N \ll L$ . A module  $L$  is called small if it is a small submodule of some module. The socle of  $L$  is defined as the sum of all its simple submodules and can be shown to coincide with the intersection of all the essential submodules of  $L$ . It is a fully invariant submodule of  $L$ . Note that  $L$  is semisimple precisely when

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$L = \text{Soc}(L)$ . The radical of an  $R$ -module  $L$  defined as a dual of the socle of  $L$ , is the intersection of all maximal submodules of  $L$ , taking  $\text{Rad}(L) = L$  when  $L$  has no maximal submodules. A submodule  $K$  of  $L$  is said to be Jacobson-small in  $L$  ( $K \ll_J L$ ), in case  $L = K + P$  with  $\text{Rad}(L/P) = L/P$ , implies  $P = L$  (see [5]). It is clear that if  $A$  is a small submodule of  $L$ , then  $A$  is a Jacobson-small submodule of  $L$ , but the converse is not true in general. By [5], if  $\text{Rad}(L) = L$  and  $K \leq L$ , then  $K$  is small in  $L$  if and only if  $K$  is Jacobson-small in  $L$ . A submodule  $K$  of an  $R$ -module  $L$  is said to be  $\delta$ -small in  $L$ , written  $K \ll_\delta L$ , if for every submodule  $N$  of  $L$  such that  $K + N = L$  with  $L/N$  singular implies  $N = L$  (see [17]).

The study of modules by properties of their endomorphisms is a classical research subject. In [16], Zelmanowitz introduced the concept of monoform modules. We call a module monoform if any its nonzero partial endomorphism is monomorphism. Recall that a submodule  $N$  of  $L$  is called a dense or rational submodule if  $\text{Hom}_R(L/N; E(L)) = 0$ . An  $R$ -module  $L$  is monoform if and only if every nonzero submodule of  $L$  is rational (see [16]). A monoform module is uniform (i.e., any two nonzero submodules have nonzero intersection). In [4], Inaam Hadi and Hassan Marhun introduced and studied the notion of small monoform modules. An  $R$ -module  $L$  is called small monoform, if any nonzero partial endomorphism of  $L$  has a small kernel. In [7], the concept of  $\delta$ -weakly Hopfian modules was introduced. A right  $R$ -module  $L$  is called  $\delta$ -weakly Hopfian if any  $\delta$ -small surjective endomorphism of  $L$  is an automorphism. In [2], Diop and Diallo introduced and studied the notion of  $\delta$ -small monoform modules. An  $R$ -module  $L$  is called  $\delta$ -small monoform, if any nonzero partial endomorphism of  $L$  has a  $\delta$ -small kernel. In [10], the authors investigated and introduced the concept of Jacobson Hopfian modules. An  $R$ -module  $L$  is called Jacobson Hopfian if every surjective endomorphism of  $L$  has a Jacobson-small kernel.

Motivated by the above-mentioned works, we are interested in introducing a new generalization of monoform modules namely Jacobson monoform modules (JM modules, for short). We call a module  $L$  is JM if every nonzero partial endomorphism of  $L$  has a Jacobson-small kernel. The concept of JM modules form a proper generalization of monoform modules ( Example 2.3). It is obvious that any small monoform module is JM. Example 2.21 demonstrates that the converse is false, in general.

We discuss the following questions:

1) When does a module have the property that every of its nonzero partial endomorphisms has a Jacobson-small kernel?

2) How can Jacobson monoform modules be used to characterize the base ring itself?

Our paper is structured as follows:

In Section 1, we give some known results which we will cite or use throughout this paper.

In Section 2, we present some equivalent properties and characterizations of JM modules. A nonzero  $R$ -module  $L$  is called compressible provided for each nonzero submodule  $N$  of  $L$  there exists a monomorphism  $f : L \rightarrow N$ . We have the obvious implications: compressible  $\Rightarrow$  monoform  $\Rightarrow$  JM. We will see later that under certain conditions the properties monoform, uniform, compressible and JM are coincide (Theorem 2.10). The dual of an  $R$ -module  $L$  is  $Hom_R(L, R)$ , this will be denoted by  $L^*$ . If the natural map  $L \rightarrow (L^*)^*$  is bijective,  $L$  will be called reflexive. We prove that for a quasi-Frobenius principal ring  $R$ , if  $L$  is a JM  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $Rad(K) = K$ , then  $L$  is reflexive and  $E(L^*)$  is finitely generated (Proposition 2.15). In proposition 2.18, we obtain that if  $L$  is a fully retractable  $R$ -module such that for every nonzero submodule  $N$  of  $L$ , the kernel of any nonzero endomorphism of  $N$  is Jacobson-small, then  $L$  is JM.

Moreover, we present a characterization of semisimple rings in terms of Jacobson monoform modules by proving that a ring  $R$  is semisimple if and only if every  $R$ -module is Jacobson monoform (Theorem 2.26)

Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $L$  be an  $R$ -module. We now state a few well known preliminary results:

- Remark 1.1.*
- (1) Let  $R$  be a ring and  $L$  be a right  $R$ -module. Then  $L$  is nonsingular monoform if and only if  $L$  is uniform [12].
  - (2) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $L$  be an  $R$ -module. Then  $L$  is monoform if and only if  $L$  is uniform prime [12].
  - (3) It is clear that every monoform  $R$ -module is small monoform. However the converse in general is not true.  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  is a small monoform  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module but it is not monoform [4].
  - (4) The epimorphic image of small monoform module is not necessarily small monoform [4].
  - (5) Every nonzero submodule of small monoform module is small monoform module [4].
  - (6) Let  $L$  be a semisimple  $R$ -module. Then the following are equivalent [4].
    - (a)  $L$  is small monoform.
    - (b)  $L$  is monoform.
    - (c)  $L$  is simple.

We list some properties of Jacobson-small submodules that will be used in the paper.

**Lemma 1.2.** [5]. *Let  $L$  be an  $R$ -module.*

- (1) *Let  $A \leq B \leq M$ . Then  $B \ll_J M$  if and only if  $A \ll_J M$  and  $B/A \ll_J M/A$ .*
- (2) *Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  are submodules of  $M$ . Then  $A_i \ll_J M$ ,  $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$  if and only if  $\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \ll_J M$ .*
- (3) *Let  $A, B$  be submodules of  $M$  with  $A \leq B$ , if  $A \ll_J B$ , then  $A \ll_J M$ .*
- (4) *Let  $f : M \rightarrow N$  be a homomorphism such that  $A \ll_J M$ , then  $f(A) \ll_J N$ .*
- (5) *Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  be an  $R$ -module and let  $A_1 \leq M_1$  and  $A_2 \leq M_2$ . Then  $A_1 \oplus A_2 \ll_J M_1 \oplus M_2$  if and only if  $A_1 \ll_J M_1$  and  $A_2 \ll_J M_2$ .*
- (6) *Let  $L$  be a module and let  $X \leq Y \leq L$ . If  $Y \leq^\oplus L$  and  $X \ll_J L$ , then  $X \ll_J Y$ .*

**Lemma 1.3.** [10] *Let  $K$  be a submodule of a module  $L$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $K \ll_J L$ .
- (2) *If  $X + K = L$ , then  $X \leq^\oplus L$  and  $L/X$  is semisimple.*

## 2. MODULES IN WHICH EVERY PARTIAL ENDOMORPHISM HAS A JACOBSON-SMALL KERNEL

**Definition 2.1.** An  $R$ -module  $L$  is called Jacobson monoform modules (JM modules, for short) if every its nonzero partial endomorphism has a Jacobson-small kernel.

*Remark 2.2.* By the definitions, every hollow module is JM, but the converse is not hold in general. Note that  $L = \mathbb{Z}_6$  is a semisimple  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. Since for any semisimple module  $L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(L) = 0$ , so every proper submodule is Jacobson-small in  $L$ , thus  $L$  is JM while it has no nonzero small submodule then it is not hollow.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $H = \mathbb{Z}_{q^\infty}$ . Since  $H$  is a hollow group,  $H$  is a JM group. But  $H$  is not monoform because the multiplication by  $q$  induces an endomorphism of  $H$  which is not a monomorphism.

**Theorem 2.4.** *The following are equivalent for an  $R$ -module  $L$ :*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2) *For every nonzero partial endomorphism  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, L)$  where  $0 \neq N \leq L$ , if there exists  $P \leq N$  such that  $f(P) = f(N)$ , then*

there exists a semisimple direct summand  $H$  of  $N$  such that  $N = H \oplus P$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Assume that  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, L)$  where  $0 \neq N \leq L$  be a nonzero partial endomorphism, if there exists  $P \leq N$  such that  $f(P) = f(N)$ , then  $\text{Ker}f + P = N$ . Since  $L$  is JM,  $\text{Ker}f \ll_J N$ . By Lemma 1.3  $N = H \oplus P$  for some semisimple  $H \leq N$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, L)$  where  $0 \neq N \leq L$  be a nonzero partial endomorphism and  $\text{Ker}(f) + P = N$  for some  $P \leq N$ , where  $\text{Rad}(N/P) = N/P$ . Then  $f(P) = f(N)$ . By (2), there exists a semisimple direct summand  $H$  of  $N$  such that  $N = H \oplus P$ , then  $\text{Rad}(N/P) = 0$ . Thus  $N/P = 0$ . Therefore  $N = P$  and  $\text{Ker}(f) \ll_J N$ . □

**Proposition 2.5.** *Let  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(K) = K$ . Then  $L$  is uniform.*

*Proof.* Let  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module and  $N$  be any nonzero proper submodule of  $L$ . If  $N$  is not essential. So, there exists a relative complement  $K$  of  $N$  in  $L$  such that  $N \oplus K$  is essential in  $L$ . Let

$$f : N \oplus K \rightarrow L$$

define by  $f(n + k) = n$  for all  $n + k \in N \oplus K$ . It is clear that  $f$  is well defined and  $f \neq 0$ . Since  $L$  is JM,  $\text{Ker}f = \{0\} \oplus K \ll_J N \oplus K$ . So according to Lemma 1.3,  $K$  is semisimple and  $\text{Rad}(K) = 0$ . Then by hypothesis  $K$  must be zero. Contradiction with  $N \oplus K$  is essential in  $L$ . □

**Definition 2.6.** [3]. A right  $R$ -module  $L$  is called weakly co-Hopfian if any injective endomorphism of  $L$  is essential.

**Example 2.7.** The following facts are well known:[9]

- (1) Any Artinian  $R$ -module  $M$  (i.e.,  $M$  has DCC on submodules), is weakly co-Hopfian.
- (2) The additive group  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational numbers is a non-Artinian  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, which is weakly co-Hopfian.

**Definition 2.8.** [12]. A nonzero right  $R$ -module  $L$  is called prime if, whenever  $N$  is a nonzero submodule of  $L$  and  $A$  is an ideal of  $R$  such that  $NA = 0$ , then  $LA = 0$ .

*Remark 2.9.* [12].

- (1) For any ring  $R$ , every compressible right  $R$ -module is prime.

- (2) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Then a finitely generated nonzero  $R$ -module  $L$  is compressible if and only if  $L$  is a uniform prime module.
- (3) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Then an  $R$ -module  $L$  is monofrom if and only if  $L$  is a uniform prime module.
- (4) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. An  $R$ -module  $M$  is compressible if and only if  $M$  is isomorphic to a nonzero submodule of a finitely generated monofrom  $R$ -module
- (5) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Then every compressible  $R$ -module is monofrom.

Recall that an Artinian principal ideal ring is a left and right Artinian, left and right principal ideal ring.

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $R$  be an Artinian principal ring and  $L$  be a prime  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(K) = K$ . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2)  $L$  is monofrom.
- (3)  $L$  is compressible.
- (4)  $L$  is uniform.
- (5)  $L$  is weakly co-Hopfian.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $L$  be a JM module and  $0 \neq N \leq L$  and  $f : N \rightarrow L$  be a homomorphism. By Proposition 2.5  $L$  is uniform, then  $L$  is weakly co-Hopfian. Since  $R$  is an Artinian principal ring,  $L$  is finitely generated by [1, Theorem 3.8]. So, there exists an epimorphism  $g : R \rightarrow L$  such that  $R/\text{ann}_R(L) \cong L$ . Since  $L$  is prime,  $\text{ann}_R(L)$  is a prime ideal of  $R$ . Hence,  $\text{ann}_R(L)$  is a maximal ideal of  $R$  because  $R$  is Artinian. This implies that  $L$  is simple. Hence,  $L$  is monofrom.

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

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) By (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) we obtain that  $L$  is a uniform prime finitely generated module, hence by [12, Lemma 26.2.9]  $L$  is compressible.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) By Remark 2.9, every compressible  $R$ -module is monofrom, then it is JM.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) It is clear.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose  $L$  is a uniform module. According to the proof of (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2),  $L$  is simple. Therefore,  $L$  is monofrom.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) It is clear.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Assume that  $L$  is a weakly co-Hopfian module. Then  $L$  is simple. Therefore,  $L$  is monofrom.

□

**Corollary 2.11.** *Let  $R$  be an Artinian principal ring and  $L$  be an  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(K) = K$ . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $L$  is JM prime.
- (2)  $L$  is simple.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose  $L$  is a JM prime module. Then  $\text{ann}_R(L)$  is a prime ideal of  $R$ . Then by Theorem 2.10,  $L$  is simple.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) It is clear. □

**Corollary 2.12.** *Let  $R$  be an Artinian principal ring and  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(K) = K$ . Then  $\text{End}(L)$  is a local ring.*

*Proof.* Since  $L$  is a finitely generated module over an Artinian ring,  $L$  is of finite length. Thus,  $L$  is an indecomposable module of finite length because  $L$  is uniform. Therefore,  $\text{End}(L)$  is a local ring. □

**Example 2.13.** It is clear that a simple module is JM. But in general the converse is not true. For example,  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a JM  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. However,  $\mathbb{Z}$  is not simple.

**Example 2.14.** Every compressible  $R$ -module is JM. In general the converse is not true. For example,  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a JM  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. But it is not compressible because  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}) = \{0\}$ .

Recall that a ring  $R$  is called quasi-Frobenius if it is right or left Artinian and right or left self-injective.

**Proposition 2.15.** *Let  $R$  be a principal quasi-Frobenius ring and  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module such that for each  $K \leq L$ ,  $\text{Rad}(K) = K$ . Then the following statements are verified:*

- (1)  $L$  is reflexive.
- (2)  $L^*$  and  $E(L^*)$  are finitely generated.

*Proof.* 1) According to Theorem 2.10,  $L$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Thus, by [6, Theorem 15.11],  $L$  is reflexive.

2) Since  $R$  is Artinian and  $L^*$  is finitely generated,  $E(L^*)$  is finitely generated. □

**Proposition 2.16.** *Let  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module and  $f$  be a surjective endomorphism of  $L$ . If  $N \leq L$ , then  $f(N) \ll_J L$  if and only if  $N \ll_J L$ .*

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $N + Y = L$  with  $\text{Rad}(L/Y) = L/Y$  for some  $Y \leq L$ . Then  $f(N) + f(Y) = L$ . Then  $f(Y) = L$  because  $f(N) \ll_J L$  and  $\text{Rad}(L/f(Y)) = L/f(Y)$ . This implies that  $\text{Ker} f + Y = L$ . Since  $L$  is JM,  $\text{Ker} f \ll_J L$ . Hence  $Y = L$ . Therefore  $N \ll_J L$ .

$\Leftarrow$ ) By Lemma 1.2. □

**Definition 2.17.** [11]. A module  $L$  is said to be fully retractable if for any nonzero submodule  $N$  of  $L$  and every nonzero element  $g \in \text{Hom}_R(N, L)$  we have  $\text{Hom}_R(L, N)g \neq 0$ .

**Proposition 2.18.** Let  $L$  be a fully retractable  $R$ -module such that for every nonzero submodule  $N$  of  $L$ , the kernel of any nonzero endomorphism of  $N$  is Jacobson-small. Then  $L$  is JM.

*Proof.* Let  $0 \neq N \leq L$  and  $f : N \rightarrow L$  such that  $f \neq 0$ . Since  $L$  is fully retractable, there exists  $g : L \rightarrow N$ ,  $g \neq 0$ . Consider

$$N \xrightarrow{f} L \xrightarrow{g} N$$

We have  $gf \neq 0$  because  $L$  is fully retractable. By hypothesis,  $\text{Ker}(gf) \ll_J N$ . Since  $\text{Ker} f \subseteq \text{Ker}(gf)$ , thus according to Lemma 1.2,  $\text{Ker} f \ll_J N$ . Therefore  $L$  is JM. □

**Proposition 2.19.** Let  $L$  be a semisimple quasi-injective  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $L$  is JM;
- (2)  $L$  is Jacobson Hopfian.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Is clear.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $0 \neq N \leq L$  and  $f : N \rightarrow L$  such that  $f \neq 0$ . Since  $L$  is quasi-injective, there exists  $g \in \text{End}_R(L)$  such that  $gi = f$  where  $i$  is the inclusion map. Hence,  $g(x) = f(x)$  for each  $x \in N$  and so  $\text{Ker} f \leq \text{Ker} g$ . Since  $L$  is Jacobson Hopfian,  $\text{Ker} g \ll_J L$ . So  $\text{Ker} f \ll_J L$ . On the other hand,  $\text{Ker} f \leq N$  and  $L$  is semisimple, then  $N$  is a direct summand of  $L$ . Hence by Lemma 1.2,  $\text{Ker} f \ll_J N$ . This shows that  $L$  is JM. □

**Corollary 2.20.** If  $R$  is a semisimple ring, then every  $R$ -module is JM.

*Proof.* By [10, Theorem 5] and Proposition 2.19. □

It is obvious that every small monofrom module is JM. The following example shows that the converse is false, in general.



**Example 2.21.** Let  $R$  be a semisimple ring, hence according to Corollary 2.20,  $R^{(\mathbb{N})}$  is JM. But the kernel of every endomorphism of  $R^{(\mathbb{N})}$  is not small by [8, Example 2.11]. Thus  $R^{(\mathbb{N})}$  is not small monoform.

For a right  $R$ -module  $L$ , Talebi and Vanaja [15], defined the submodule

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{Z}(L) &= \cap \{Ker f : f \in Hom(L, N), N \in S\} \\ &= \cap \{K \subset L, L/K \in S\} \end{aligned}$$

as a dual of singular submodule, where  $S$  denotes the class of all small right  $R$ -modules. A module  $L$  is called cosingular (resp. noncosingular) if  $\overline{Z}(L) = 0$  (resp.  $\overline{Z}(L) = L$ ). Recall that a ring  $R$  is called CP in case every cosingular right  $R$ -module is projective. (see [14]).

**Proposition 2.22.** *Let  $R$  be a CP ring such that has no nonzero semisimple projective  $R$ -module and  $L$  be a cosingular  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2)  $L$  is small monoform.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $L$  be a JM  $R$ -module,  $N$  be a nonzero submodule of  $L$  and  $f \in Hom(N, L)$  be a nonzero partial endomorphism. Assume  $Ker f + K = N$  for some  $K \leq N$ . Since  $L$  is JM,  $Ker f \ll_J N$ . Then by Theorem 2.4,  $N = K \oplus H$  for some semisimple submodule  $H$  of  $N$ . Since  $L$  is cosingular,  $H$  is cosingular. And since  $R$  is CP,  $H$  is projective. By hypothesis,  $H = 0$ . This implies that  $N = K$  and so  $Ker f \ll N$ . Hence  $L$  is small monoform.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Is clear. □

Recall that a ring  $R$  is right CD if and only if every cosingular right  $R$ -module is discrete (see [13]).

**Proposition 2.23.** [13, Proposition 2.26] *Let  $R$  be a commutative domain. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is CD;
- (2) Every cosingular  $R$ -module is projective.

**Corollary 2.24.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative domain and  $L$  be a cosingular  $R$ -module. If  $R$  is right CD such that has no nonzero semisimple projective  $R$ -module. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2)  $L$  is small monoform.

**Lemma 2.25.** *For an  $R$ -module  $L$ , consider the following assertions.*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2) For every right  $R$ -module  $Y$ , if there exists an epimorphism  $L \rightarrow L \oplus Y$ , then  $Y$  is semisimple.  
Then (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2).

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $g : L \rightarrow L \oplus Y$  be a surjective homomorphism, and let  $\pi : L \oplus Y \rightarrow L$  the natural projection. It is obvious that  $\text{Ker}(\pi g) = g^{-1}(0 \oplus Y)$ . Since  $L$  is JM,  $\text{Ker}(\pi g) \ll_J L$ . According to Lemma 1.2,

$$0 \oplus Y = g[g^{-1}(0 \oplus Y)] = g(\text{Ker}(\pi g)) \ll_J L \oplus Y.$$

Thus  $Y \ll_J Y$  by Lemma 1.2. Therefore,  $Y$  is semisimple by Lemma 1.3.  $\square$

In the following, we characterize the class of rings  $R$  for which every (free)  $R$ - module is JM.

**Theorem 2.26.** *Let  $R$  be a ring. The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is semisimple.
- (2) Any  $R$ -module is JM.
- (3) Any projective  $R$ -module is JM.
- (4) Any free  $R$ -module is JM.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Clear.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $L = R^{(\mathbb{N})}$ , by (4)  $L$  is a JM  $R$ -module. Since  $L \cong L \oplus L$ ,  $L$  is semisimple by Lemma 2.25. Therefore  $R$  is semisimple.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.27.** *Every nonzero submodule of JM module is JM.*

*Proof.* Let  $N$  be a nonzero submodule of a JM module  $L$ . For any  $0 \neq K \leq N$ , let  $f : K \rightarrow N$  be a nonzero partial endomorphism of  $N$ , then  $if \neq 0$  where  $i : N \rightarrow L$  is the inclusion mapping. Since  $L$  is JM,  $\text{Ker}(if) \ll_J K$ , hence  $\text{Ker}f \ll_J K$ , and so  $N$  is JM.  $\square$

*Remark 2.28.* Let  $\pi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ , where  $\pi$  is the natural projection. However  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$  is not JM  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module because

$$\bar{0} \neq f = 4\bar{x} \in \text{End}(\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z})$$

and  $\text{Ker}f = \langle \bar{3} \rangle$  is not Jacobson-small in  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ .

- (1) Let  $L = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ . Each of  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$  is a JM module (because every of each is small monofrom). Since  $L \cong \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ . Then the direct sum of JM modules is not necessarily JM.

- (2) Since  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a JM  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module and  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$  is not JM  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. Then the homomorphic image of JM module is not necessarily JM.

**Proposition 2.29.** *Let  $L$  be a Noetherian  $R$ -module. Then  $L$  is JM iff any non-zero 3-generated submodule of  $L$  is JM.*

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ ) Clear from Proposition 2.27.

$\Leftarrow$ ) suppose that any non-zero 3-generated submodule of  $L$  is JM. Let  $N$  be a non-zero submodule of  $L$  and  $f : N \rightarrow L$  such that  $f \neq 0$ . If  $\text{Ker} f = 0$  then  $\text{Ker} f \ll_J N$ . If  $\text{Ker} f \neq 0$ , let  $x \in \text{Ker} f$ . Let  $y \in N$  and  $z = f(y)$ . Put  $P = Rx + Ry + Rz$  is 3-generated submodule of  $L$ . Let  $H = Rx + Ry$  and  $h = f|_H : H \rightarrow P$ . By hypothesis  $P$  is JM, hence  $\text{Ker} h \ll_J H \leq N$ . But  $x \in \text{Ker} h$ , so

$$\langle x \rangle \subseteq \text{Ker} h \ll_J N.$$

Since  $L$  is Noetherian  $R$ -module,  $\text{Ker} f$  is finitely generated, hence

$$\text{Ker} f = \sum_{i=1}^n Rx_i,$$

for some  $x_i \in L, 1 \leq i \leq n$ . We have  $\langle x_i \rangle \ll_J N$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus according to Lemma 1.2,  $\text{Ker} f = \sum_{i=1}^n Rx_i \ll_J N$ . Therefore  $L$  is JM. □

**Corollary 2.30.** *Let  $R$  be an Artinian principal ideal ring and  $L$  be a weakly co-Hopfian  $R$ -module. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $L$  is JM.
- (2) Any non-zero 3-generated submodule of  $L$  is JM.

*Proof.* By [1, Theorem 3.8],  $L$  must be finitely generated module. Then  $L$  is a Noetherian since  $R$  is Artinian principal ideal ring. Thus by Propostion 2.29 the result is obtained. □

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مدول های جیکبسون تک-فرم

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در این مقاله مدول های جیکبسون تک-فرم که تعمیمی سره از مدول های تک-فرم هستند را معرفی و مورد مطالعه قرار می دهیم. یک مشخصه سازی از حلقه های نیمه ساده با استفاده از مدول های جیکبسون تک-فرم ارائه می دهیم. در واقع نشان می دهیم حلقه  $R$  نیمه ساده است اگر و تنها اگر هر  $R$ -مدول جیکبسون تک-فرم باشد. بعلاوه نشان می دهیم مفاهیم تک-فرم، جیکبسون تک-فرم، تراکم پذیری، یکنواختی و هم-هاپفیان ضعیف در حلقه ها معادل هستند.

کلمات کلیدی: مدول های تک-فرم، مدول های تک-فرم کوچک، مدول های جیکبسون تک-فرم.