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## Direct Sum Representation of Torsion Free Injective Modules

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\tau$  a hereditary torsion theory which is cogenerated by an injective left  $R$ -module. Then, every  $\tau$ -torsion free module is embedded in a direct sum of  $\tau$ -finitely generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module, if and only if  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian and there exists a  $\tau$ -finitely generated injective left  $R$ -module  $E$  such that  $\tau$  is cogenerated by  $E$ .

**Key words:** hereditary torsion theory,  $\tau$ -torsion free modules, injective modules,  $\tau$ -Artinian rings, Morita duality

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Let  $R$  be a ring with identity. In [2] Faith-Walker proved that if every left  $R$ -module is embedded in a direct sum of finitely generated left  $R$ -modules, then  $R$  is left Artinian. It is to be noted that this condition is a necessary and sufficient condition for  $R$  to be an left Artinian ring with Morita duality [11], *i.e.*,  $R$  is left Artinian and there exists a finitely generated injective cogenerator of the category of the left  $R$ -modules. In this paper we generalize this Faith-Walker's result to the situation of hereditary torsion theories ([3], [12]).

Let  $\tau$  be a hereditary torsion theory cogenerated by an injective left  $R$ -module  $E$ . A left  $R$ -module  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -torsion free, if  $M$  is embedded in a direct product of copies of  $E$ . On the other hand,  $M$  is said to be  $\tau$ -torsion, if  $\text{Hom}({}_R M, {}_R E) = 0$ . We shall say that a submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is  $\tau$ -closed (resp.  $\tau$ -dense), if  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion free (resp.  $\tau$ -torsion). A ring  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian (resp.  $\tau$ -Noetherian), if  $R$  satisfies DCC (resp. ACC) on  $\tau$ -closed left ideals. If  $S$  is a set, the cardinal number of  $S$  is denoted by  $\text{card } S$ . Let  $S$  be an index set such that  $\text{card } S = c$ . Then, a left  $R$ -module  $M$  is said to  $c$ -generated, if  $M$  is a epimorphic image of the free left  $R$ -module  $\bigoplus_{s \in S} R^{(s)}$  where  $R^{(s)}$  is a copy of  $R$ . Therefore, if  $M$  has a  $\tau$ -dense (resp. essential)  $c$ -generated submodule, then  $M$  is said to be a  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated module (resp. essentially  $c$ -generated module). Especially, if  $M$  has a finitely generated submodule  $N$  such that  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -torsion, then  $M$  is said to be  $\tau$ -finitely generated.

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In Theorem 4, generalizing the above result of Faith-Walker, we show that for a ring  $R$  every  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is embedded in a direct sum of  $\tau$ -finitely generated  $\tau$ -torsion free modules, if and only if  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian and  $\tau$  is cogenerated by a  $\tau$ -finitely generated injective left  $R$ -module.

Throughout this paper  $R$  denotes a ring with identity and  $\tau$  denotes a hereditary torsion theory cogenerated by an injective left  $R$ -module. Every homomorphism between modules will be written on the opposite side of scalars.

**Proposition 1.** *If every  $\tau$ -torsion free injective left  $R$ -module is a direct sum of essentially  $c$ -generated submodules, then  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian.*

**Proof.** We only check that the proof of [1, Theorem 25. 8] is also valid in our case. Assume  $\tau$  is cogenerated by an injective left  $R$ -module  $E$ . We may assume that  $\text{card } R \leq c$  and  $\text{card } E \leq c$ . Let  $B$  be a set such that  $\text{card } B > 2^c$ . Then,  $\prod_{b \in B} E^{(b)} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ , where  $E^{(b)}$  is a copy of the left  $R$ -module  $E$  and  $M_\alpha$  has a  $c$ -generated essential submodule  $N_\alpha$ . Let  $E_1$  be a monomorphic image of  $E$  in  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ . Then, there exists a subset  $A_1$  of  $A$  such that  $E_1 \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} M_\alpha$  and  $\text{card } A_1 \leq c$ . Let  $i_b : E \rightarrow \prod_{b \in B} E^{(b)}$  be the natural injection. Suppose  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} M_\alpha) \cap (E)i_b \neq 0$  for every  $b \in B$ . Since  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} M_\alpha$  is an essential extension of  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} N_\alpha$ , we have  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} N_\alpha) \cap (E)i_b \neq 0$ . Then,

$$\text{card } B \leq \text{card } \bigoplus_{b \in B} ((\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} N_\alpha) \cap (E)i_b) \leq 2^c < \text{card } B.$$

This is a contradiction. Hence there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} N_\alpha) \cap (E)i_b = 0$  and hence  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_1} M_\alpha) \cap (E)i_b = 0$ . Therefore, it is evident that  $E$  is isomorphic to a submodule  $U_2$  of  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A \setminus A_1} M_\alpha$ . Consequently, there exists a subset  $A_i$  of  $A \setminus A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_{i-1}$  such that  $U$  is isomorphic to a submodule  $E_{i+1}$  of  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A_i} M_\alpha$  ( $i=2, 3, \dots$ ). Hence the direct summand  $\bigoplus_{i \in N} E_i$  of  $\prod_{b \in B} E^{(b)}$  is injective, where  $N$  is the set of natural numbers. Thus,  $R$  satisfies ACC on annihilator left ideals of subsets of  $E$ , i. e.,  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian.

**Lemma 2.** *Assume that  $M$  is a  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module and  $M = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ . Let  $L$  be a submodule of  $M$ . If there exists a infinite cardinal number  $c$  such that  $L$  is  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated, there exists a subset  $B$  of  $A$  such that  $\text{card } B \leq c$  and  $L \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in B} M_\alpha$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $K$  be a  $\tau$ -dense submodule of  $L$ . For every  $x \in K$  there exists a finite subset  $F_x$  of  $A$  such that  $x \in \bigoplus_{\alpha \in F_x} M_\alpha$ . Therefore, we have  $K \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in B} M_\alpha$ , where  $B = \bigcup_{x \in K} F_x$ . Suppose that there exists  $y \in L$  such that  $y$  is not contained in  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in B} M_\alpha$ . Then, we can select an  $\alpha \in A$  so that there exists a canonical  $R$ -homomorphism  $f : L \rightarrow M_\alpha$  such that  $(y)f \neq 0$  and  $(K)f = 0$ . Since  $L/K$  is  $\tau$ -torsion, there exists a  $\tau$ -dense left ideal  $D$  such that  $Dy \subseteq K$ . This is a contradiction, since  $0 \neq (Dy)f$ . Then,  $L \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in B} M_\alpha$  and this completes the proof, since  $\text{card } B \leq c$ .

Let  $c$  be a cardinal number. Then, it is easily checked that every homomorphic image of a  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated left  $R$ -module is  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated. The following result is originally based on [4].

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $c$  be an infinite cardinal. If  $M$  is a direct sum of  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module, then so is every direct summand of  $M$ .*

**Proof.** Like as Proposition 1 we check that the proof of [1, Theorem 26. 1] is valid in our case. Put  $M = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ , where  $M_\alpha$  is a  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module. Assume  $M = K \oplus L$ . Let  $e : M \rightarrow K$  and  $f : M \rightarrow L$  be canonical projections. Let  $\{K_\beta\}_{\beta \in B}$  (resp.  $\{L_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in C}$ ) be the set of all  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated submodules of  $K$  (resp.  $L$ ). Let  $\Sigma$  be the set of triples  $(A', B', C')$  such that  $A' \subseteq A$ ,  $B' \subseteq B$ ,  $C' \subseteq C$  and  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A'} M_\alpha = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in B'} K_\alpha + \bigoplus_{\alpha \in C'} L_\alpha$ . Then,  $\Sigma$  is a partial ordered set defining  $(A', B', C') \leq (A'', B'', C'')$  in case  $A' \subseteq A''$ ,  $B' \subseteq B''$ ,  $C' \subseteq C''$ . Let  $(A', B', C')$  be a maximal element of  $\Sigma$ . Suppose  $A' \neq A$  and  $\alpha \in A \setminus A'$ . Since  $(M_\alpha)e$  and  $(N_\alpha)f$  are homomorphic images of  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated left  $R$ -modules, we can deduce  $(M_\alpha)e + (N_\alpha)f$  is  $\tau$ - $c$  generated. Therefore, by Lemma 2 there exists a subset  $D_1$  of  $A$  such

that  $\text{card } D_1 \leq c$  and  $(M_\alpha)e + (N_\alpha)f \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in D_1} M_\alpha$ . Therefore, there exists a subset  $D_i$  ( $i = 2, 3, \dots$ ) such that  $D_{i-1} \subseteq D_i$  and  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D_{i-1}} M_\alpha) e \oplus (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D_{i-1}} M_\alpha) f \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in D_i} M_\alpha$ . Set  $D = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} D_i$ , where  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of natural numbers. Then,  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D} M_\alpha) e \oplus (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D} M_\alpha) f = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in D} M_\alpha$ , and this implies  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha) e \subseteq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha$ . It follows that  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in B'} K_\alpha$ , which is a direct summand of  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha$ , is a direct summand of  $(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha) e$ . Hence there exist submodules  $P$  and  $Q$  of  $M$  such that

$$(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in B'} K_\alpha) \oplus P = (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha) e \text{ and } (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in C'} L_\alpha) \oplus Q = (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha) f.$$

This implies  $P \oplus Q$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in D \cup A'} M_\alpha$ . Then,  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated, since they are homomorphic images of  $\tau$ - $c$ -generated modules. Hence there exists  $\beta \in B'$  and  $\gamma \in C'$  such that  $P = K_\beta$  and  $Q = L_\gamma$ . Thus, we have  $(A' \cup \{\alpha\}, B' \cup \{\beta\}, C' \cup \{\gamma\}) \in \Sigma$  and this is a contradiction. This completes the proof.

In the following let us denote  $I(M)$  the injective hull of the left  $R$ -module  $M$ . A  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module  $M$  is called  $\tau$ -cocritical, if  $M/N$  is  $\tau$ -dense for every non-zero submodule  $N$  of  $M$ . Let  $T$  be a  $\tau$ -torsion ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian and  $I(R/T)$  is  $\tau$ -finitely generated, then  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian (see [5], [7]). Now, we are able to prove the following

**Theorem 4.** *The following conditions are equivalent for a ring  $R$ .*

- (i) *Every  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is embedded in a direct sum of  $\tau$ -finitely generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -modules.*
- (ii)  *$R$  is a  $\tau$ -Artinian ring and there exists a  $\tau$ -finitely generated injective left  $R$ -module  $E$  such that  $\tau$  is cogenerated by  $E$ .*

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Let  $M$  be an arbitrary  $\tau$ -torsion free injective left  $R$ -module. Then,  $M$  is a direct summand of a direct sum of  $\tau$ -finitely generated  $\tau$ -torsion free left  $R$ -modules. Then, by Lemma 3  $M$  is a direct sum of  $\tau$ -countably generated left  $R$ -module. It follows that  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian from Proposition 1. Let  $T$  be the  $\tau$ -torsion ideal of  $R$ . Then,  $I(R/T)$  is embedded in  $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ , where  $M_\alpha$  is a  $\tau$ -finitely generated left  $R$ -module. Then, the monomorphic image of  $e + T \in I({}_R R/T)$  embeds in  $M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$ , where  $\{1, \dots, n\} \subseteq A$  and  $e$  is the identity of  $R$ . Then,  $R/T$  and hence its essential extension  $I(R/T)$  is embedded in  $M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$ . It follows that  $I(R/T)$  is  $\tau$ -finitely generated. Thus, we have  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian. Therefore, by [9, Proposition 2] there exists a representative system  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$  of (non-isomorphic)  $\tau$ -cocritical left  $R$ -module which are modules of quotient of themselves with respect to  $\tau$  such that  $I(V_1) \oplus \dots \oplus I(V_n) (= E, \text{ say})$  is a cogenerator of the class of  $\tau$ -torsion free modules. There exists a monomorphism  $f : I(V_1) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} M_\alpha$ , where  $M_\alpha$  is a  $\tau$ -finitely generated left  $R$ -module. We can select an  $\alpha \in A$  so that the canonical injection  $f_\alpha : I(V_1) \rightarrow M_\alpha$  satisfies  $(V_1)f_\alpha \neq 0$ . Since  $V_1$  is  $\tau$ -cocritical and  $(V_1)f_\alpha$  is  $\tau$ -torsion free, we can deduce that  $\ker f_\alpha \cap I(V_1) = 0$ . However,  $I(V_1)$  is a uniform left  $R$ -module and hence it is embedded in the  $\tau$ -finitely generated module  $M_\alpha$ . Thus,  $E$  is  $\tau$ -finitely generated.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Let  $M$  be a  $\tau$ -torsion free injective left  $R$ -module. Since  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Artinian,  $M$  is a direct sum of injective indecomposable submodules each of which is an injective hull of a  $\tau$ -cocritical left  $R$ -modules (cf. [10], [13]). Therefore, from the same argument as above implies that  $M$  is embedded in a direct sum of copies of  $E$ .

Now, in the following we denote by  $U$  a left  $R$ -module and  $T = \text{End}({}_R U)$ . Further, let us denote by  $\tau_1$  (resp.  $\tau_2$ ) the hereditary torsion theory of the ring  $R$  (resp.  $T$ ) cogenerated by the injective hull  $I({}_R U)$  of the left  $R$ -module  $U$  (resp.  $I(U_T)$  of the left  $R$ -module  ${}_R U$  (resp. right  $T$ -module  $U_T$ ). For a left  $R$ -module (resp. right  $T$ -module)  $M$  we denote by  $Q_{\tau_1}(M)$  (resp.  $Q_{\tau_2}(M)$ ) the module of quotient with respect to  $\tau_1$  (resp.  $\tau_2$ ). We shall say that  $M$  is a  $\tau_1$ -quotient module, if  $Q_{\tau_1}(M) = M$ . Further, we shall say that a left

$R$ -module  $M$  is  $U$ -torsionless, if  $M$  is embedded in a direct product of copies of  $U$ .

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $U$  be a left  $R$ -module such that  $T = \text{End}({}_R U)$  and every cyclic  $T$ -submodule of  $I(U_T)$  is  $U$ -torsionless. Then, an  $R$ -submodule  $K$  of  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$ , a finite direct sum of copies of  $U$ , is isomorphic to  $U$ , if and only if there exists a finite subset  $F = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$  of  $T$  such that the left annihilator of  $F$  in  $I(U_T)$  is  $\{0\}$  and  $K = \{(x)t_1, (x)t_2, \dots, (x)t_n \mid x \in U\}$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $K$  is the image of an  $R$ -monomorphism  $f : U \rightarrow U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$ . Let  $t_i : U \rightarrow U^{(i)}$  be the canonical mapping,  $i=1, \dots, n$ . Then,  $K = \{(x)t_1, (x)t_2, \dots, (x)t_n \mid x \in U\}$ . Since  $f$  is a monomorphism, the left annihilator of  $F$  in  $U$  is  $\{0\}$ , where  $F = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$ . Let  $y \in I(U_T)$  and  $yF = 0$ . Since  $yT$  is  $\tau_2$ -torsion free, there exists a  $T$ -monomorphism  $g : yT \rightarrow \prod_{b \in B} U^{(b)}$ , where  $U^{(b)}$  is a copy of  $U$  and  $B$  is an index set. Put  $g(y) = \{u_b\}_{b \in B}$ . Then, it is evident that  $u_b F = 0$  and hence  $u_b = 0, b \in B$ . Consequently,  $y = 0$  and this holds the "only if" part.

Next, we prove the "if" part. Since the left annihilator of  $F$  in  $U$  is  $\{0\}$ , it is easily checked that the  $R$ -homomorphism  $f : U \rightarrow U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$  defined by  $(x)f = ((x)t_1, (x)t_2, \dots, (x)t_n), x \in U$ , is a monomorphism. Hence the consequence is immediate.

In view of Lemma 5 and [8, Theorem 1] we have the following result.

**Proposition 6.** *Let  $U$  be a left  $R$ -module such that  $T = \text{End}({}_R U)$  is  $\tau_2$ -Noetherian and every cyclic  $T$ -submodule of  $I(U_T)$  is  $U$ -torsionless. Then,  $Q_{\tau_2}(U) = U$ , if and only if,  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)} / K$  is  $U$ -torsionless for every  $R$ -submodule  $K$  of  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$  such that  $K$  is isomorphic to  $U$ , where  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$  is an arbitrary finite direct sum of copies of the right  $R$ -module  $U$ .*

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $U$  be a faithful left  $R$ -module and  $T = \text{End}({}_R U)$ . Then, the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i)  *$U$  is a  $\tau_1$ -finitely generated left  $R$ -module and every  $\tau_1$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is embedded in a direct sum of copies of  $U$  and  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)} / K$  is  $U$ -torsionless for every  $R$ -submodule  $K$  of  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$  such that  $K$  is isomorphic to  $U$ , where  $U^{(1)} \oplus U^{(2)} \oplus \dots \oplus U^{(n)}$  is an arbitrary finite direct sum of copies of  $U$ .*
- (ii)  *$R$  is  $\tau_1$ -Artinian,  $Q_{\tau_1}(U) = Q_{\tau_2}(U)$  and there exists a duality between the class  $C_1$  of  $\tau_1$ -finitely generated  $\tau_1$ -quotient modules and the class  $C_2$  of  $\tau_2$ -finitely generated  $\tau_2$ -quotient modules via functors*

$$\text{Hom}(-, {}_R U) : C_1 \rightarrow C_2 \text{ and } \text{Hom}(-, U_T) : C_2 \rightarrow C_1.$$

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). By Theorem 4  $R$  is  $\tau_1$ -Artinian. Therefore, from [6, Theorem 2.1] every cyclic submodule of the right  $T$ -module  $I(U_T)$  is  $U$ -torsionless and  $T$  is  $\tau_2$ -Artinian. Then,  $T$  is  $\tau_2$ -Noetherian by a result of [10] and hence we have  $Q_{\tau_2}(U) = U$  from Proposition 6. It follows that  $Q_{\tau_1}(U) = U = Q_{\tau_2}(U)$  hence (ii) holds by [6, Theorem 2.3].

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). From [6, Theorem 2.3] every finitely generated  $\tau_1$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is  $U$ -torsionless, since  $U = Q_{\tau_1}(U) = Q_{\tau_2}(U)$ . Hence by [6, Lemma 1.2] every  $\tau_1$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is  $U$ -torsionless. Since  $R$  is  $\tau_1$ -Artinian from the same argument as the proof of Theorem 4 we have that every  $\tau_1$ -torsion free left  $R$ -module is embedded in a direct sum of copies of  $U$ . This holds (i) from [6, Theorem 2.1]

Faith-Walker proved in [2] that a ring  $R$  is quasi-Frobenius, if and only if for every injective left  $R$ -module  $M$  there exists a set of primitive idempotent elements  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $M$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} R e_i$ . In view of [5] and [8] generalizing this result we can easily see that ring  $R$  is a semiprimary

$QF$ -3 maximal (two-sided) quotient ring of itself, if and only if for every  $I(R)$ -torsionless injective left  $R$ -module  $M$  there exists a set of primitive idempotent elements  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $M$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} Re_i$  and  $R^{(1) \oplus \dots \oplus R^{(n)}}/K$  is torsionless for every  $R$ -submodule  $K$  of  $R^{(1) \oplus \dots \oplus R^{(n)}}$  such that  $K$  is isomorphic to  $R$ , where  $R^{(1) \oplus \dots \oplus R^{(n)}}$  is an arbitrary finite direct sum of copies of the left  $R$ -module  $R$ .

**Proposition 8.** Let  $\tau$  (resp.  $\tau'$ ) be the hereditary torsion theory cogenerated by  $I({}_R R)$  (resp.  $I(R_R)$ ). If every  $\tau$ -torsion free cyclic left  $R$ -module and every  $\tau'$ -torsion free cyclic right  $R$ -module are embedded in free  $R$ -modules, then every  $\tau$ -closed left ideal (resp.  $\tau'$ -closed right ideal) is  $\tau$ -finitely generated (resp.  $\tau'$ -finitely generated).

**Proof.** For every subset  $X$  of  $R$  we denote by  $\gamma(X)$  (resp.  $l(X)$ ) the right (resp. left) annihilator of  $X$  in  $R$ . Let  $L$  be a  $\tau$ -closed left ideal and  $K = \gamma(L)$ . Then,  $K$  is a  $\tau'$ -closed right ideal and hence from the hypothesis the right  $R$ -module  $R/K$  is embedded in a finite direct sum of copies of (the right  $R$ -module)  $R$ . Hence there exists a finite subset  $F = \{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$  of  $R$  such that  $\gamma(F) = K$ . On the other hand,  $L$  is an annihilator left ideal, since  $R/L$  is a torsionless left  $R$ -module. It follows that  $L = l(\gamma(F))$ . Let  $P$  be the right annihilator of  $F$  in  $I({}_R R)$  and  $V$  the left annihilator of  $P$  in  $R$ . It is not hard to see that  $V = L$ . On the other hand, since  $Rr_1 + Rr_2 + \dots + Rr_n$  is a  $\tau$ -dense submodule of  $V$ , the consequence is immediate.

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