

Dual strongly Rickart modules

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we introduce and study the concept of dual strongly Rickart modules as a stronger than of dual Rickart modules [8] and a dual concept of strongly Rickart modules. A module M is said to be dual strongly Rickart if the image of each single element in $S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$ is generated by a left semicentral idempotent in S. If M is a dual strongly Rickart module, then every direct summand of M is a dual strongly Rickart. We give a counter example to show that direct sum of dual strongly Rickart module not necessary dual strongly Rickart. A ring R is dual strongly Rickart if and only if R is a strongly regular ring. The endomorphism ring of d-strongly Rickart module is strongly Rickart. Every d-strongly Rickart ring is strongly Rickart. Properties, results, characterizations are studied.

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strongly Rickart rings, strongly Rickart modules, Rickart modules, dual Rickart modules; strongly regular rings.



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INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper R is an associative ring with identity and all modules will be unitary right R-modules. A module M is Rickart if the right annihilator in M of any single element of $S = End_R(M)$ is generated by an idempotent of S[7]. Recently, the authors in [4] introduced the concept of strongly Rickart rings as stronger concepts of Rickart rings. A ring R is strongly Rickart if the right annihilator of each single element in R is generated by left semicentral idempotent of R. A module M is strongly Rickart if the right (resp. left) annihilator in M of any single element of S is generated by an left (resp. right) semicentral idempotent of S[5]. Following [8], a module M is dual Rickart if the image in M of any single element of S is generated by an idempotent of S. In this paper we introduce a dual concept of strongly Rickart modules as a strong concept of dual Rickart modules and a dual concept of strongly Rickart modules. A module M is dual strongly Rickart if the image in M of any single element of S is generated by a left semicentral idempotent of S.

Recall that a submodule N of a module M is stable (resp. fully invariant) if for each $\alpha: N \to M$ (resp. $\alpha: M \to M$), $\alpha(N) \le N$ [1](resp. [10]). A module M is weak duo if every direct summand of M is fully invariant for each $\alpha \in S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$ []. A module M is said to be abelian if for each $f \in S$, $e^2 = e \in S$, $m \in M$, fem = efm [10]. A module M is an abelian if and only if $S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$ is an abelian ring [10]. An idempotent $e \in S$ is called left (resp. right) semicentral if f = efe (resp. f = efe), for all $f \in S$. An idempotent $f \in S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$ is called central if it commute with each $f \in S$. A monomorphism $f \in S$ is strongly splits if $f \in S$. A monomorphism $f \in S$ is a stable direct summand of M (i.e fully invariant direct summand) for every direct summand N of M [3, Definition (2.3.39)]. A module M is strongly direct injective, if for every direct summand N of M, every monomorphism $f \in S$ is strongly splits [3, Definition (2.3.40)].

Notations. R is a ring and S is the endomorphism ring of a module M. For a ring S and $\alpha \in S$, the set $r_M(\alpha) = \{m \in M: \alpha m = 0\}$ (resp. $\ell_M(\alpha) = \{m \in M: m\alpha = 0\}$) is said to be the right (resp. left) annihilator in M of α in S. The sets $S_{\ell}(S)$, $S_r(S)$ and B(S) are the set of all left semicentral, right semicentral and central idempotent of S respectively. The samples \leq , \leq , \leq , \leq , \leq eand \leq refer to submodule, fully invariant submodule, direct summand, fully invariant direct summand, essential submodule and end the proof.

2. ON DUAL STRONGLY RICKART MODULES

Definition 2.1. A module M is said to be dual strongly Rickart (shortly, d-strongly Rickart) if the image of any single element of $S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$ is generated by a left semicentral idempotent element of S. A ring R is d-strongly Rickart if and only if R_R is d-strongly Rickart as right R-module.

Remarks and examples 2.2.

1. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if Imα is a fully invariant direct summand of M.

Proof. Since for any $e^2 = e \in S$, $eM \subseteq M$ if and only if $e^2 = e \in S_t(S)$ [6, Lemma 1.9], then the proof is obvious.

2. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if Ima is stable direct summand of M.

Proof. From the fact: every fully invariant direct summands of a module M is stable [3, Lemma 2.1.6].

3. Let R =
$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_4 & Z_4 \\ 0 & Z_4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and I = $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & Z_4 \\ 0 & 2Z_4 \end{pmatrix}$ be an ideal in R. From [3, Remarks and examples 2.2.2(6)], End_R(I) \cong

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{Z}_4 & \mathbb{Z}_4 \\ 2\mathbb{Z}_4 & \mathbb{Z}_4 \end{pmatrix} . \text{ One can takes } \alpha \in \text{End}_R(I) \text{ such that } \text{Im}\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{Z}_4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ Im}\alpha \text{ is a right direct summand of } I_R[3]. \text{ But Im}\alpha \text{ is a right direct summand of } I_R[3].$$

not fully invariant in I. Let $g \in \text{End}_R(I)$ defined by $g(\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ 2b & d \end{pmatrix} \beta$ for all $\beta \in \text{End}_R(I)$ and for some $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_4$.

So $g(Im\alpha) = \{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & ax \\ 0 & 2bx \end{pmatrix} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_4 \} \le Im\alpha$. Therefore, I is not d-strongly Rickart.

4. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Im}\alpha \xrightarrow{i} M \xrightarrow{\alpha} \frac{M}{\text{Im}\alpha} \rightarrow 0$$

is a strongly split for any $\alpha \in S = End_R(M)$.

Proof. Obvious, since Ima ⊴[⊕]M if and only if i(Ima) is stable direct summand of M. ■

5. Every d-strongly Rickart module is strongly direct injective.



Proof. Let $N \leq^{\oplus} M$ and $\alpha : N \to M$ any monomorphism. There exist $\beta = \alpha \oplus 0|_L$ since $M = N \oplus L$ for some $L \leq M$. By hypothesis, M is a d-strongly Rickart module, then by (1), $Im\beta \trianglelefteq^{\oplus} M$. But $Im\alpha = Im\beta$, so $Im\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\oplus} M$. Therefore, M is a strongly direct injective. \blacksquare

- 6. Every d-strongly Rickart module is d-Rickart. The converse is not true in general. In fact, the Z-module M =
 - $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ is d-Rickart [8, Example 4.6], which is not d-strongly Rickart. If one takes $\alpha : M \to M$ defined by $\alpha(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) =$
 - $(\bar{\mathbf{x}},\bar{\mathbf{0}})$ for all $\bar{\mathbf{x}}\in Z_2$, then $Im\alpha=Z_2\oplus\{\bar{\mathbf{0}}\}$ is a direct summand of M. Now, let $g\in S=End_R(M)$ defined by $g(\bar{\mathbf{x}},\bar{\mathbf{v}})=Im(M)$
 - $(\overline{y}, \overline{x})$. So, $g(\alpha(M)) = g(Z_2 \oplus \{\overline{0}\}) = \{\overline{0}\} \oplus Z_2 \le Z_2 \oplus \{\overline{0}\}$. Hence Im α is not fully invariant submodule of M. Therefore, M =
 - $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ is not d-strongly Rickart Z-module.
- 7. Following (4), (5) and (6), a module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if M is strongly direct injective and d-Rickart module.
- 8. A module M is a d-strongly Rickart if and only if M is a d-Rickart and weak duo (and hence abelian) module.

Proof. Let $N \le^{\oplus} M$ and $\alpha \in S = End_R(M)$ such that $Im\alpha = N$. By hypothesis, $N = Im\alpha \le^{\oplus} M$. Hence M is a weak duo module. Following (6), M is a d-Rickart. The converse is an obvious.

- 9. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if Imα is generated by a central idempotent element of S for each α
 - $\in S = End_R(M)$.

Proof. An immediately consequence from(8).

10. Every d- strongly Rickart module has strictly SIP and strictly SSP.

Proposition 2.3. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if $\sum_{\alpha \in I} \operatorname{Im} \alpha$ is generated by left semicentral idempotent element in S = End_R(M), for any finite generated ideal I of S.

Proof. \Longrightarrow) Let I be any nonzero left ideal of S with finite generators $\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n$. Since M is a d-strongly Rickart module, then $Im\alpha_i = e_iM$ for some left semicentral idempotent $e_i^2 = e_i \in S_\ell(S)$, i = 1, ..., n. So $\sum_{i=1}^n Im\alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n e_iM$. But M is satisfies the strictly SSP (Remarks and examples (2.2(10))). Now, each of e_iM is a direct summand of M and $e_i^2 = e_i \in S_\ell(S)$ for each i = 1, 2, ..., n so there is a $e^2 = e = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i - e_i = e_i$. $e_i \in S_\ell(S)$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^n Im\alpha_i = e_iM$.

(2) \Longrightarrow (1) Let $\mu \in S$ and $I = S\mu$ be a principle left ideal of S. By hypothesis, $Im\alpha = eM$ for $e^2 = e^2 \in S_\ell(S)$. Hence M is d-strongly Rickart module.

Proposition 2.4. For a module M and $S = End_R(M)$, the following conditions hold:

- 1. If M is d-strongly Rickart with D₂-condition, then M is strongly Rickart.
- 2. If M is strongly Rickart with C2-condition, then M is d- strongly Rickart.
- 3. If M is projective morphic, then M is a strongly Rickart if and only if M is a d-strongly Rickart.
- 4. If M is Rickart with SC₂-condition, then M is d-strongly Rickart.
- 5. A module M is d-strongly Rickart satisfies the D₂-condition if and only if M is strongly Rickart satisfies the C₂-condition.

Proof. 1. Let $\alpha \in S$, then $Im\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus} M$. But $Im\alpha \cong \frac{M}{\ker \alpha}$, so $\ker \alpha \subseteq^{\oplus} M$. Since M is weak duo module, so $\ker \alpha \unlhd^{\oplus} M$. Thus M is strongly Rickart module.

- 2. Suppose that M is strongly Rickart module and $\alpha \in S$. Then $\ker \alpha \unlhd^{\oplus}M$. Hence $M = \ker \alpha \oplus K$ for some $K \leq M$. Then $Im\alpha \cong \frac{M}{\ker \alpha} \cong K \leq^{\oplus}M$. By C_2 -Condition, $Im\alpha \leq^{\oplus}M$. But M is a weak duo module(Remarks and examples(2.2(6)), hence $Im\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus}M$.
- 3. Suppose that M is a d-strongly Rickart module. Since, for each $\alpha \in S$, $\frac{M}{\ker \alpha} \cong \operatorname{Im}\alpha$ and by hypothesis, $\operatorname{Im}\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\bigoplus}M$. Then, by D₂-condition, $\ker \alpha \trianglelefteq^{\bigoplus}M$. Then $\ker \alpha \trianglelefteq^{\bigoplus}M$ (Remarks and examples(2.2(6)) and hence M is strongly Rickart. Conversely, suppose that M is a strongly Rickart module and $\alpha \in S$ then $\ker \alpha \trianglelefteq^{\bigoplus}M$. Since M is morphic $(\frac{M}{\operatorname{Im}\alpha} \cong \ker \alpha)$ and satisfies the D₂, hence $\operatorname{Im}\alpha \leq^{\bigoplus}M$. Therefore, M is a d-strongly Rickart module (Remarks and examples(2.2(6)).
- 4. Since the SC_2 -condition implies the C_2 -condition and weak duo module, so from (2) the proof obvious.



5. Obvious. **a**

Examples 2.5.

- The Z-module Z is projective (and hence satisfies the D₂-condition) module which is not morphic. From[5], Z is strongly Rickart. If α ∈ S = End_R(Z), such that α(n) = 2n for each n ∈ Z, so Imα ≰[⊕]Z. Hence Z is not d-strongly Rickart Z-module.
- 2. The Z-module \mathbb{Z}_{p^m} is morphic (also satisfies the $_{\text{C2}}$) which is not projective module. Since every endomorphism

of $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{=}}$ is an epimorphism so $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{=}}$ is d-strongly Rickart (see Proposition 3.9). From[5], $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{=}}$ is not strongly Rickart Z-module [5].

A submodule of a d-strongly Rickart module may be not d-strongly Rickart. In fact, $End_Z(Q) \cong Q$ and every endomorphism of Q is either isomorphism or zero. Hence Q is d-strongly Rickart while the submodule Z_Z is not, where there is α : $Z \rightarrow 2Z$ have $Im\alpha = 2Z \leq \mathbb{Z}$.

Proposition 2.6. If M is a d-strongly Rickart module, then every direct summand of M is a d-strongly Rickart.

Proof. Let $M = N \oplus L$ and $\alpha \in H = End_R(N)$. So α can be extended to $\beta \in S = End_R(M)$. i.e $\beta = \alpha \oplus 0|_L$. Since M is d-strongly Rickart module, then $Im\beta \unlhd^{\oplus}M$. But $Im\beta = \alpha N$. So $Im\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus}M$. Thus $Im\alpha \leq {\oplus}N$ since $Im\alpha \leq N$. Now, let $g \in H$, consider the following sequence $M \stackrel{p}{\to} Im\alpha \stackrel{j_1}{\to} N \stackrel{g}{\to} N \stackrel{j_2}{\to} M$, where ρ is the projection epimorphism and j_1, j_2 are the injection monomorphism. So, $Im\alpha \geq j_2gj_1\rho(Im\alpha) = g(Im\alpha)$. Hence, $Im\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus}N$. Therefore, N is a d-strongly Rickart module. \blacksquare

Corollary 2.7. If R is a d-strongly Rickart ring, then, so is eR for each $e^2 = e \in R$ as an R-module.

Recall that a module M is an epi-retractable if every submodule of M is a homomorphic image of M [11].

Corollary 2.8. Let M be an epi-retractable module. If M is a d-strongly Rickart module, then so is every submodule of M

Proof. Let N be any submodule of a d-strongly Rickart module M. By hypothesis, there exists an epimorphism $\alpha: M \to M$ such that $N = \alpha(M)$. So $N = Im\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus} M$, since M is a d-strongly Rickart module. Therefore, N is a d-strongly Rickart module (Proposition 2.6).

Examples 2.9

- The Z-module Q is not epi-retractable module[11]. From Example (2.5), the submodule Z is not d-strongly Rickart although the Z-module Q is d-strongly Rickart.
- 2. The Z-module Z_4 is not strongly Rickart while the submodule $2Z_4 \cong Z_2$ is d-strongly Rickart module.

In general, d-strongly Rickart property is not closed under direct sum, see Remarks and example (2.2(6)), although it closed under direct summand. The following proposition gives the necessary condition to a direct sum of d-strongly Rickart.

Proposition 2.10. Let $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$. Then M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if M_i is d-strongly Rickart module (i \in {1, 2}) and $M_i \triangleleft M$, i \in {1, 2}.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Proof.} \Leftarrow \text{) Suppose that } M_i, \ i \in \{1, \, 2\}, \ \text{is d-strongly Rickart modules and } S_i = \text{End}_R(M_i). \ \text{Since } M_i \trianglelefteq M, \ \text{So } S = \text{End}_R(M) = \begin{pmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ 0 & S_2 \end{pmatrix}. \ \text{Let } \alpha \in S, \ \text{then } \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \ \text{where } \alpha_i \in S_i. \ \text{But } M_i \ \text{is d-strongly Rickart module, hence } \ \text{Im}\alpha_i = e_iM_i \ \text{for } e_i^2 = e_i \in S_i(S_i). \ \text{We claim that } \ \text{Im}\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} M \ \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} \in S_i(S_i). \ \text{Firstly, } \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} \ \text{and } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2e_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1x_1e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2x_2e_2 \end{pmatrix} \ \text{for all } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in S. \ \text{Thus } e = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_1 \end{pmatrix} \ \text{is a left semicentral idempotent of } S. \ \text{Now, let } \\ \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Im}\alpha \ \text{where } m_i \in \text{Im}\alpha_i = e_iM_i. \ \text{So } m_i = e_im_i. \ \text{Hence } \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{eM. Clearly that, } \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_2 \end{pmatrix} M \leq \text{Im}\alpha. \ \text{Thus } \\ \text{Im}\alpha = \text{eM for } e^2 = e \in S_i(S). \ \text{Therefore } M \ \text{is } d\text{-strongly Rickart.} \end{aligned}$

⇒) The proof is a consequence immediately from (Proposition (2.6)) and (Remarks and examples (2.2(8))) respectively. ■

3. ENDOMORPHISM RING OF d-STRONGLY RICKART MODULES.

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As well as d-Rickart [8], the following proposition proves that the endomorphism ring of d-strongly Rickart module is strongly Rickart ring. Following [4], every strongly Rickart ring is a left-right symmetric.

Proposition 3.1. The endomorphism ring of d-strongly Rickart module is strongly Rickart.

Proof. Let M be a d-strongly Rickart module and $\alpha \in S = End_R(M)$. Then $Im\alpha = eM$ for some $e^2 = e \in S_\ell(S)$. Hence $\ell_S(\alpha) = \ell_S(\alpha) = \ell_S(eM) = S(1-e)$. Since $(1-e)^2 = 1-e \in S_r(S)$, therefore S is a strongly Rickart ring.

It's well known that the endomorphism ring of Z_Z is an isomorphic to Z, this example shows that the converse of Proposition (3.1) is not true in general.

Corollary 3.2. Let M be a retractable module. Then every d-strongly Rickart module is a strongly Rickart.

Proof. Following (Proposition (3.1)), $S = End_R(M)$ is a strongly Rickart ring. By Proposition [5, Proposition (2.3)], M is strongly Rickart module.

Corollary 3.3. Every d-strongly Rickart ring is strongly Rickart ring.

Corollary 3.4. If R is a d-strongly Rickart ring, then for each $e^2 = e \in R$, eRe is strongly Rickart ring.

Proof. Since for each $e^2 = e \in R$, $eRe = End_R(eR)[12, 7.8, p.60]$. Then, by Proposition (2.7) and Proposition (3.1) the proof is complete.

Recall that a module is called self-cogenerator if it cogenerates all its factor modules [12, Exercises17.15, p.147]. It's easy to prove that if a module M is d-strongly Rickart and $f \in S = \operatorname{End}_R(M)$. Then Sf is projective left S-module.

Proposition 3.5. If a module M is self-cogenerater and S is a strongly Rickart ring, then M is d-strongly Rickart modules.

Proof. Suppose that $S = End_R(M)$ is strongly Rickart ring and $\alpha \in S$. Since M is self-cogenerater, by [12, 39.11, p.335], $Im\alpha \leq^{\bigoplus} M$. But S is an abelian ring, so $Im\alpha \leq^{\bigoplus} M$.

Recall that a homomorphic image of projective module over semihereditary ring is projective.

Proposition 3.6. Let M be a finitely generated projective R-module satisfies the SC_2 -condition over a right (semi)hereditary ring R. Then M is a d-strongly Rickart module. Furthermore, $S = End_R(M)$ is a strongly regular ring.

Proof. Let M be a finitely generated projective over right semihereditary ring. Then for each $\alpha \in S$, Im α is a projective module. So M = ker $\alpha \oplus N$. But $\frac{M}{\ker \alpha} \cong \operatorname{Im}\alpha \cong N \leq^{\oplus} M$. Since M satisfies SC_2 -condition, then $\operatorname{Im}\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\oplus} M$ and so M is d-strongly Rickart. Thus, Im α and ker α are fully invariant direct summand in M. Hence, S is strongly regular ring. \blacksquare

Corollary 3.7. Every right semihereditary right SC₂- ring R is d-strongly Rickart as right R-module and strongly regular ring.

Remark 3.8. It's well known that the ring Z is a left semihereditary ring (since its hereditary) which is not satisfies the SC_2 -condition, and then Z is not d-strongly Rickart ring.

Proposition 3.9. A module M is d-strongly Rickart and $S = End_R(M)$ is a domain if and only if every nonzero element of S is an epimorphism.

Proof. \Leftarrow) A module M is d-strongly Rickart since Im α = M for each nonzero endomorphism α of M. Now, if $\beta\alpha$ = 0 and $\alpha \neq$ 0, then $\alpha(M)$ = M. Hence $\beta\alpha(M)$ = $\beta(M)$ = 0. Thus β = 0. So S is domain.

 \Rightarrow) Suppose that M is a d-strongly Rickart and $0 \neq \alpha \in S$, then Im α = eM. Since S is a domain and $\alpha \neq 0$, then e =1 and hence Im α = M. This implies that α is an epimorphism. \blacksquare

Recall that a module M is an indecomposable strongly Rickart if and only if each nonzero element of S is a monomorphism[5]. The following result is the dual of this fact can be proved in the following proposition.

Proposition 3.10. A module M is indecomposable d-strongly Rickart if and only if each nonzero element of S is an epimorphism.

Proof .⇒) Let $\alpha \in S$. Since M is d-strongly Rickart, then $\alpha(M) = eM$ for some $e^2 = e \in S_\ell(S)$. But M is indecomposable module then either e = 1 and then α is an epimorphism or e = 0 and so α is zero.

 \Leftarrow) By hypothesis, if $(0 \neq)$ $e^2 = e \in S$, then, e = 1. Hence M is an indecomposable. In the same way, for any $\alpha \in S$, either $\alpha = 0$ and so $\alpha(M) = 0 \leq \Phi$ M or α is an epimorphism and hence $\alpha(M) = M \leq \Phi$ M. Then M is d-strongly Rickart module.

Proposition 3.11. Let M be a module and $S = End_R(M)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent

- 1. M is d-strongly Rickart
- 2. S is a strongly Rickart ring and $\alpha(M) = r_M(\ell_S(\alpha M))$, for all $\alpha \in S$.

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Proof. (1 \Rightarrow 2) By Proposition (3.1), S is a strongly Rickart ring. Let $\alpha \in S$, then Im α = eM for some $e^2 = e \in S_\ell(S)$. Then $\ell_S(\alpha M) = S(1-e)$ and hence $r_M(\ell_S(\alpha(M))) = eM = \alpha(M)$.

 $(2\Rightarrow 1)$ Suppose that S is strongly Rickart ring. Let $\alpha \in S$, then $\ell_S(\alpha) = Se$ for some $e^2 = e \in S_r(S)$. Since $\alpha(M) = r_M(\ell_S(\alpha(M)), then \alpha(M) = (1-e)M$ for $(1-e) \in S_r(S)$. Therefore M is d-strongly Rickart module.

Corollary 3.12. For a module M and S = $End_R(M)$, the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. M is a d-strongly Rickart module.
- 2. $\alpha(M) = r_M(\ell_S(\alpha(M))) \leq^{\oplus} M$ for all $\alpha \in S$.

Proof. Obvious.

Proposition 3.10. For a module M and $S = End_R(M)$, the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. M is d-strongly Rickart module;
- 2. M is satisfies SC_2 -condition and $Im\alpha$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of M for all $\alpha \in S$.

Proof. 1 \Rightarrow 2) Let N be a submodule of M such that N \cong L \leq^{\oplus} M. Hence N = i α p(M), where ρ : M \rightarrow L be projection, α : L \rightarrow N be an isomorphism and i: N \rightarrow M be injection. Since M is d-strongly Rickart module, so N = Im(i α p) \leq^{\oplus} M. the second condition is an obvious.

2⇒1) Let $\alpha \in S = \text{End }_R(M)$. Then by hypothesis, Im α is an isomorphic to a direct summand of M. Hence by SC_2 -condition Im $\alpha \unlhd^{\oplus}M$. \blacksquare

Proposition 3.11. A module M is d-strongly Rickart satisfies the D_2 -condition if and only if $S = \text{End }_R(M)$ is a strongly regular ring.

Proof. \Leftarrow) Following [5], $\text{Im}\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\oplus} M$ for each $\alpha \in S$.

⇒) Let $\alpha \in S$. So Im $\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\oplus} M$, since M is d-strongly Rickart. Indeed, $\frac{M}{\ker \alpha} \cong \operatorname{Im} \alpha$ and by D₂-condition, $\ker \alpha \leq^{\oplus} M$. But M is an abelian module, so $\ker \alpha \trianglelefteq M$. Therefore, S is strongly regular ring. \blacksquare

We can summarize the previous propositions in the following theorem

Theorem 3.12. For a module M and S = $End_R(M)$, the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. S is a strongly regular ring;
- 2. M is d-strongly Rickart module satisfies the D₂-condition;
- 3. M is satisfies D_2 -condition and SC_2 -condition, and $Im\alpha$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of M for all $\alpha \in S$;
- 4. M is an abelian module and $S = End_R(M)$ is a von Neumann regular ring.

Proposition 3.13. A ring R is d-strongly Rickart if and only if R is a strongly regular ring.

Proof. \Rightarrow) Let aR be a principle right ideal in R for a \in R. There is α : R \rightarrow aR such that $\alpha(r)$ = ar for each $r \in$ R. It's clear that α is an endomorphism of R and Im α = aR. By hypothesis, aR = Im α = eR for e^2 = $e \in$ B(R). Therefore, R is a strongly regular ring [12, 3.11, p.21].

 \Leftarrow) Since S = End _R(R) \cong R, by (Theorem 3.12), the proof holds.

A quotient $\frac{M}{N}$ of quasi-projective is quasi-projective module M, if a submodule N is fully invariant of M [12, 18.2(4), p.149].

Proposition 3.15. Let M be a quasi-projective module. If M is a d-strongly Rickart, then so is $\frac{M}{L}$ for each fully invariant submodule L of M.

Proof. Let $\beta \in \text{End}_R(\frac{M}{L})$ and $S = \text{End}_R(M)$. Since M is a quasi-projective module, so there is an epimorphism $\mu: S \to \text{End}_R(\frac{M}{L})$ defined by: $\mu(\alpha) = \beta$. It's easy to show that μ is a well define and ring homomorphism. So $\text{End}_R(\frac{M}{L}) \cong \frac{S}{\text{ker}\mu}$ Furthermore, M is d-strongly Rickart module satisfies the D₂-condition (since M is quasi-projective), hence S is a strongly regular ring (Proposition 3.11). So $\frac{S}{\text{ker}\mu}$ and hence $\text{End}_R(\frac{M}{L})$ is strongly regular ring. Therefore by Proposition (3.11), $\frac{M}{N}$ is a d-strongly Rickart module.

Corollary 3.16. If a module M is d-strongly Rickart and quasi-projective then $\frac{M}{Im\alpha}$ is a d-strongly Rickart and quasi-projective module for all $\alpha \in S = End_R(M)$.

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Recall that Soc M = \cap {L \le M | L \le eM} is fully invariant in M [12, 21.1, p. 174] and Rad M = \cap {K \le M | K is a maximal submodule of M} is fully invariant in M [12, 21.5, P.176]

Corollary 3.17. If M is a quasi-projective and d-strongly Rickart, then $\frac{M}{Rad \, (M)}$ and $\frac{M}{Soc(M)}$ are d-strongly Rickart.

4. RELATIVE d-STRONGLY RICKART MODULES

Definition 4.1. Let M and N be modules. Then M is called N-d-strongly Rickart (relative d-strongly Rickart to N) if for all α : M \rightarrow N, Im $\alpha \trianglelefteq^{\oplus}$ N.

Remarks and examples 4.2.

- 1. A module M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if M is M-d-strongly Rickart.
- 2. For each semisimple abelian module N, M is N-d-strongly Rickart for each module M.
- 3. Let M and N are modules such that $Hom_R(M, N) = 0$. Then M is N-d-strongly Rickart. In fact, Let $N = \mathbb{Z}_p$ and $M = \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\varpi}}$. It's well known that $Hom_Z(M, N) = 0$. Then M is N-d-strongly Rickart. Furthermore N is not M-d-strongly Rickart. In fact, if $\alpha \in Hom_Z(N, M)$ since N is simple module, then either α is zero or monomorphism. If α is monomorphism then $Im\alpha$ is not direct summand in M, since M is an indecomposable.

Proposition 4.3. For a module M and N⊕L≤⊕M if M satisfies the strictly SSP then N is L-d-strongly Rickart.

Proof. By the strictly SSP, every direct summand of M is a fully invariant. Then $Hom_R(N, L) = Hom_R(L, N) = 0$.

Proposition 4.4. If M

M satisfies the strictly SSP then M is d-strongly Rickart module.

Proof. Since M⊕M satisfies the SSP, so M is a d-Rickart module[8, Corollary 2.17]. But M satisfies the strictly SSP, hence M is d-strongly Rickart module

Proposition 4.5. Let M and N be modules. Then M is N-d-strongly Rickart if and only if for any $A \le \mathbb{H}M$ and $B \le N$, A is B-d-strongly Rickart.

Proof. Let $A \leq^{\oplus}M$, $B \leq N$ and $\alpha : A \to B$ be any homomorphism. Then α can be extended to $\beta = i\alpha p$: $M \to N$ where $p : M \to A$ is projection and $p : B \to N$ is injection. Since M is N-d-strongly Rickart, so $Im\beta = \alpha(A) \not \supseteq^{\oplus}N$. But $Im\alpha \leq B$, so $Im\alpha \leq^{\oplus}B$. Now, let $g \in End_R(B)$, then $g(\alpha(A)) = ig\alpha(A) \leq \alpha(A)$, where i is the inclusion homomorphism from $B \to N$. Therefore $Im\alpha \not \supseteq^{\oplus}B$ and hence A is B-d-strongly Rickart.

For the converse, put M = A and N = B.

Corollary 4.6. For modules M, N, and a direct summand A of M, if M is N-d-strongly Rickart then A is N-d-strongly Rickart.

Corollary 4.7. A modules M is d-strongly Rickart if and only if for any submodule L of M and a direct summand A of M, A is L-d-strongly Rickart.

Corollary 4.8. Let N satisfies the strictly SSP and $M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} M_i$, then $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} M_i$ is N-d-strongly Rickart if and only if M_i is N-d-strongly Rickart for each i = 1,...,n.

Proof. From Proposition (4.5), if $M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i$ is N-d-strongly Rickart, then M_i is N-d-strongly Rickart for each i=1,...,n. Conversely, let $\alpha \in \text{Hom}_R(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i, N)$. Then $\alpha = (\alpha)_{i=1}^n$ where $\alpha_i \in \text{Hom}_R(M_i, N)$ for each i=1,...,n. Since each M_i is N-d-strongly Rickart, then $\text{Im}\alpha_i \unlhd^{\oplus} N$. But N satisfies the strictly SSP and $\text{Im}\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Im}\alpha_i \unlhd^{\oplus} N$. Therefore $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i$ is N-d-strongly Rickart module. \blacksquare

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