

Lifting modules, extending modules and their applications to QF -rings

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A right R -module M is said to be an extending module if, for any submodule A of M , there exists a direct summand A^* of M such that A^* is an essential extension of A . Dually, M is said to be a lifting module provided that, for any submodule A of M , there exists a direct summand A^* of M which is a co-essential submodule of A in M , i. e., $A^* \subseteq A$ and A/A^* is small in M/A^* .

In this paper we study the following two conditions:

- (#) Every injective R -module is a lifting module.
- (#)* Every projective R -module is an extending module.

A major reason why we are interested in these (#) and (#)* comes from the fact that these conditions are closely related to the following conditions due to Harada [13]~[15]:

(*) Every non-small R -module contains a non-zero injective submodule.

(*)* Every non-cosmall R -module contains a non-zero projective direct summand.

Indeed, we show the following theorems which are main results of this paper.

THEOREM I. *The following conditions are equivalent for a given ring R :*

- 1) R satisfies (#).
- 2) R is a right artinian ring with (*).
- 3) R is a right perfect ring and the family of all injective R -modules is closed under taking small covers.
- 4) Every R -module is expressed as a direct sum of an injective module and a small module.

THEOREM II. *The following conditions are equivalent for a given ring R :*

- 1) R satisfies (#)*.
- 2) R is a ring with the ACC on right annihilator ideals and satisfies (*)*.