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ON FINITELY PSEUDO-FROBENIUS RINGS

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In this paper we are concerned with FPF rings and GFC rings. In section 2 we provide some results about these rings; we show that every right GFC ring is essentially bounded (Proposition 4) and give a characterization of right FPF rings (Theorem 11). Finally, we present examples to illustrate Theorem 11.

1. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper R will always denote an associative ring with identity and all R-modules will be unital.

If every finitely generated faithful right R-module is a generator of the category mod-R of right R-modules then R is said to be *right finitely pseudo-Frobenius* (*right FPF*). Following [2], R is said to be generated by faithful cyclic (*right GFC*) if every faithful cyclic right R-module is a generator of mod-R. Right FPF rings are obviously right GFC and the class of right FPF rings includes right PF rings and Dedekind domains.

Let M be a right R-module, X (resp. S) a subset of M (resp. R), A a right ideal of R and n a positive integer. Then we denote by $r_R(X)$ (resp. $l_R(S)$) the right (resp. left) annihilator of M (resp. S) in R, by $Tr_R(M)$ the trace ideal of M, i.e., $Tr_R(M) = \Sigma \{ \text{Im}(f) | f \in \text{Hom}_R(M, R) \}$ and by $Z_r(M)$ the singular submodule of M, i.e., $Z_r(M) = \{ x \in M | r_R(x) \text{ is essential in } R_R \}$. Further we denote by $M^{(n)}$ the direct sum of n copies of M. By ideals we will mean two-sided ideals of R.

Let τ be a hereditary torsion theory for mod-R. Then we denote by $L(\tau)$ the Gabriel topology corresponding to τ and by $\tau(M)$ the τ -torsion submodule of M. Set $B/A = \tau(R/A)$. If A is an ideal of R then we see that B becomes an ideal; hence in particular, $\tau(R)$ is an ideal of R. A submodule N of M is τ -closed in M if M/N is τ -torsionfree. We let G denote the Goldie torsion theory for mod-R. We then note that M is G-torsionfree if and only if $Z_r(M) = 0$, i.e., M is right non-singular.

We refer to [8] for all the torsion-theoretic notions used in this paper.

The following easy result will be used repeatedly without reference throughout the sequel. **Lemma.** For a right ideal A of R, $Tr_R(R|A) = l_R(A)R$.

2. FPF (GFC) rings

A submodule N of a right R-module M is essentially closed in M if it has no proper essential extensions inside M, or equivalently there exists a submodule L of M such that N is maximal with respect to $N \cap L=0$. We note that every G-closed submodule of M is essentially closed in it. Further, it is easy to show that if $L \leq N \leq M$ are right R-modules such that L is essentially closed in M and N is essential in M then N/L is essential in M/L.

Now, the following result is easy.

Lemma 1. An ideal I of R is G-closed in R_R if and only if it is essentially closed in R_R and R/I is right non-singular over R/I.

Lemma 2. Let I be an ideal of R and A a right ideal of R such that I+A is essential in R. If R|A is a generator of mod-R then I is essential in R_R .

Proof. Assume that R/A is a generator of mod-R, that is, $l_R(A) R = R$. Then there exists a finite number of elements $a_i \in l_R(A)$ and $b_i \in R$ (i=1, ..., n)such that $1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i b_i$. Setting $B = \{x \in R | b_i x \in I + A \text{ for all } i=1, ..., n\}$, we see from the essentiality of I + A that B is an essential right ideal of R. It then follows that I is essential in R_R , because $B \leq I$.

The following result shows that if R is right GFC then $Z_r(R)$ contains all nilpotent one-sided ideals of R.

Proposition 3. Assume that R is right GFC, and let A be a nilpotent right ideal of R. Then $r_R(A)$ is essential in R_R .

Proof. Let n be the nilpotent index of A. The assertion is clear for n=1.

Now let n>1 and assume that the assertion is true for every nilpotent right ideal of R with nilpotent index n' < n. Choose a right ideal B of R maximal with respect to $B \le r_R(A^2)$ and $B \cap r_R(A) = 0$. Then $B \oplus r_R(A)$ is essential in $r_R(A^2)$. Since A^2 has nilpotent index $\le n-1$, the induction hypothesis assures that $r_R(A^2)$ is essential in R_R . Thus $B \oplus r_R(A)$ is essential in R. On the other hand, we have $Ar_R(R/B) \le B \cap r_R(A) = 0$; hence $r_R(R/B) \le B \cap r_R(A) = 0$. Since R is right GFC, R/B is a generator of mod-R. It now follows from Lemma 2 that $r_R(A)$ is essential in R_R .

If every essential right ideal of R contains an ideal essential in R as a right ideal then R is said to be *right essentially bounded*. By [3, Proposition 1.3B], every essential right ideal of a right FPF ring contains a non-zero ideal. On the other hand, by [4, Corollary 2.2.], a left Noetherian, right FPF and right order

in a QF ring is right essentially bounded. However, we see that every right GFC ring is right essentially bounded. To show this, let A be an essential right ideal of a right GFC ring R, and choose a right ideal B of R maximal with respect to $B \leq A$ and $r_R(R/A) \cap B = 0$. We then see that $r_R(R/A) \oplus B$ is essential in R, and further that R/B is faithful; hence it is a generator of mod-R. Now Lemma 2 shows that $r_R(R/A)$ is essential in R_R , as desired. Thus we have the following result.

Proposition 4. Every right GFC ring is right essentially bounded.

From the above two Propositions, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 5. Assume that R is right GFC. Then an ideal I of R is Gclosed in R_R if and only if it is a semiprime ideal which is essentially closed in R_R .

Proof. Assume that I is G-closed in R_R . To show that I is a semiprime ideal of R, let J be an ideal of R such that $I \leq J$ and $J^2 \leq I$. Choose a right ideal A of R such that $A \leq J$ and $A \cap I=0$. Since R/I is a non-singular right R-module, so is A. On the other hand, $A^2 \leq A \cap J^2 \leq A \cap I=0$; hence Proposition 3 implies $A \leq Z_r(R)$. Thus we have A=0, which shows that I is essential in J_R . Since I is essentially closed in R_R by Lemma 1, we must have I=J. Therefore, I is indeed a semiprime ideal of R.

Conversely, assume that I is a semiprime ideal which is essentially closed in R_R , and set $\overline{R} = R/I$. According to Lemma 1, it suffices to show that $\overline{R}_{\overline{R}}$ is non-singular. Let $x+I \in Z_r(\overline{R})$, and set $A = \{a \in R \mid xa \in I\}$. Then A is an essential right ideal of R, and $r_{\overline{R}}(x+I) = A/I$. By Proposition 4, A contains an ideal H essential in R_R . Set $\overline{H} = (H+I)/I$. Since I is essentially closed in R_R , the essentiality of H implies that \overline{H} is essential in $\overline{R}_{\overline{R}}$. Now, $(l_{\overline{R}}(\overline{H}) \cap \overline{H})^2 \leq l_{\overline{R}}(\overline{H}) \overline{H} = 0$; hence we see that $l_{\overline{R}}(\overline{H}) = 0$, because \overline{R} is a semiprime ring. Thus we have $x+I \in l_{\overline{R}}(\overline{H}) = 0$, from which we conclude that $\overline{R}_{\overline{R}}$ is non-singular.

Immediately, Corollary 5 implies the following result which is a generalization of [2, Proposition 2.5] and [3, Theorem 3.3].

Corollary 6. A right GFC ring is right non-singular if and only if it is a semiprime ring.

By [8, Proposition VI, 6.2], we have $G(R) = \{x \in R \mid x + Z_r(R) \in Z_r(R/Z_r(R))\}$. Thus [3, Theorem 5.1] shows that if R is right FPF then G(R) is a direct summand of R as a right ideal and R/G(R) is a non-singular right FPF ring. More generally we have the following result.

Proposition 7. Assume that R is right FPF, and let I be an ideal which is Gclosed in R_R . Then

(1) I is a direct summand of R_R .

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(2) R/I is a right and left non-singular right FPF ring.

Proof. (1) Choose a right ideal A of R maximal with respect to $A \cap I=0$. Then $R|A \oplus R|I$ is finitely generated faithful; hence by assumption, $R=Tr_R$ $(R|A \oplus R|I) = Tr_R(R|A) + Tr_R(R|I) = l_R(A) R + l_R(I)$. Set $\overline{R} = R|I$ and $\overline{A} = (A \oplus I)|I$. Then, observing that I is essentially closed in R_R by Lemma 1 and that $A \oplus I$ is essential in R, we see that \overline{A} is an essential right ideal of \overline{R} . Since $\overline{A} \leq r_{\overline{R}}(x+I)$ for every $x \in l_R(A)$, it follows from the essentiality of \overline{A} and Lemma 1 that $l_R(A) \leq I$. Thus we obtain $R = I + l_R(I)$. Writing 1 = a + b where $a \in I$ and $b \in l_R(I)$, we see that a is an idempotent of R and I = aR. Consequently, Iis a direct summand of R_R .

(2) Let M be a finitely generated faithful right \overline{R} -module and set $X=I \oplus M$. Since $r_R(X)=r_R(I)\cap r_R(M)=r_R(I)\cap I$, we see from (1) that $r_R(X)=0$; hence X is a finitely generated faithful right R-module. Thus by assumption, in particular, X generates R/I, while (1) says $\operatorname{Hom}_R(I_R, (R/I)_R)=0$. It then follows that M generates R/I as a right R-module and so does as a right (R/I)-module. Therefore we conclude that R/I is a right FPF ring. Moreover, Lemma 1 and [3, Theorem 3.6] imply that R/I is a right and left non-singular ring.

As consequences of Proposition 7, we obtain the following results.

Corollary 8. If R is right FPF then every G-closed right ideal of R is a right annihilator ideal of R.

Proof. Given any G-closed right ideal A of R, choose a right ideal C of R maximal with respect to $C \leq r_R l_R(A)$ and $A \cap C = 0$. If C = 0 then we see from the G-closedness of A that $A = r_R l_R(A)$, which completes the proof. Thus it is enough to show that C = 0.

Choose a right ideal B of R maximal with respect to $A \leq B$ and $B \cap C = 0$. Since C is non-singular and R/B is an essential extension of C, we see that B is G-closed in R; hence $G(R) \leq B$. On the other hand, observing that $B \oplus C$ is essential in R and that it is contained in $r_R l_R(B)$, we see that $r_R l_R(B)$ is essential in R; hence $l_R(B) \leq G(R)$. Thus we have $l_R(B) \leq r_R(R/B)$, which implies $Tr_R(R/B) \leq r_R(R/B)$. Since B is G-closed in R_R and hence so is $r_R(R/B)$, Proposition 7 shows that R is a direct sum of $r_R(R/B)$ and a right ideal of R generated by R/B; hence in particular, we have $R = r_R(R/B) + Tr_R(R/B)$. It then follows $R = r_R(R/B)$, that is, B = R, from which C must be zero, as desired.

Corollary 9. Assume that R is right FPF. If M is a finitely generated non-singular right R-module with finite Goldie dimension then $End_{R}(M)$ is a two-sided order in a semisimple ring.

Proof. Since $r_R(M)$ is G-closed in R_R and M is non-singular as a right

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 $R/r_R(M)$ -module, without loss of generality we may assume by Proposition 7 that M is faithful and R is non-singular. It then follows that R is isomorphic to a direct summand of a finite direct sum of copies of M; hence R_R has finite Goldie dimension, because M has finite Goldie dimension. Now, we see from Corollary 6 and [3, Corollary 3.16C] that R is a semiprime right and left Goldie ring. Therefore, [6, Theorems 2.2.15 and 2.2.17] show that $End_R(M)$ is a two-sided order in a semisimple ring.

Let τ be a hereditary torsion theory for mod-R. Then τ is stable if the τ torsion class is closed under injective envelopes, and $L(\tau)$ is bounded if it contains a cofinal subset consisting of ideals of R. We note from [8, Proposition VI, 7.3] that G is stable, and from [8, Chapter VI, Section 6.3] that if R is right non-singular then L(G) consists of all the essential right ideals of R; hence R is right essentially bounded if and only if L(G) is bounded.

To provide a characterization of right FPF rings, we need the following result.

Lemma 10. Let τ be a stable hereditary torsion theory for mod-R such that $L(\tau)$ is bounded. For a finitely generated right R-module M, the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) $r_{R}(M) \leq \tau(R)$.
- (2) $r_R(M/\tau(M)) = \tau(R).$

Proof. First we shall show $r_{\mathbb{R}}(\tau(M)) \in L(\tau)$. To this end, choose a submodule N of M maximal with respect to $\tau(M) \cap N=0$. Observing that τ is stable and that M/N is an essential extension of $\tau(M)$, we see that M/N is τ torsion. Since M is finitely generated, $M/N=x_1 R+\cdots+x_n R$ for a finite number of elements $x_1, \cdots, x_n \in M/N$. Further, since M/N is τ -torsion and $L(\tau)$ is bounded, there exist ideals $I_i \in L(\tau)$ $(i=1, \cdots, n)$ such that $I_i \leq r_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i)$ for each *i*. We then see that $\bigcap_{i=1}^n I_i \in L(\tau)$ and $\bigcap_{i=1}^n I_i \leq r_{\mathbb{R}}(M/N) \leq r_{\mathbb{R}}(\tau(M))$, from which we conclude $r_{\mathbb{R}}(\tau(M)) \in L(\tau)$.

(1) \Rightarrow (2). Since $L\tau(R)=0$ for every τ -torsionfree right *R*-module *L*, we always have $\tau(R) \leq r_R(M/\tau(M))$. Conversely, according to (1), we have $r_R(M/\tau(M)) r_R(\tau(M)) \leq r_R(M) \leq \tau(R)$. Now, noting that $R/\tau(R)$ is τ -torsionfree and that $r_R(\tau(M)) \in L(\tau)$ as is seen above, we see $r_R(M/\tau(M)) \leq \tau(R)$. Thus we obtain $r_R(M/\tau(M))=\tau(R)$.

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

In [7] Kobayashi has provided a characterization of non-singular right FPF rings. Now we state a characterization of right FPF rings, a part of which is an extension of [7, Theorem 1].

Theorem 11. The following conditions on R are equivalent:

(1) R is right FPF.

(2) (i) For every finitely generated non-singular right R-module M, R is a direct sum of $r_R(M)$ and a right ideal generated by M.

(ii) L(G) is bounded.

(iii) Every finitely generated faithful right R-module generates G(R).

(3) (i) For every finitely generated right ideal A of R such that $r_R(A)$ is G-closed in R_R , R is a direct sum of $r_R(A)$ and a right ideal generated by A.

(ii) L(G) is bounded.

(iii) For every finitely generated faithful right R-module M such that G(M) is a direct summand of M, G(M) generates G(R).

(iv) Every finitely generated non-singular right R-module can be embedded into a free right R-module.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). (2) (i) follows from Proposition 7, and (2) (iii) is clear. To show (2) (ii), let $A \in L(G)$ and set $I = r_R(R/A)$, G(R/I) = J/I and $M = (R/A) \oplus J$. Then J is an ideal which is G-closed in R_R . It follows from Proposition 7 that J = eR for some idempotent e of R and $r_R(M) = I \cap r_R(J) \leq eR \cap (1-e) R = 0$; hence M is finitely generated faithful. According to (1), M is a generator of mod-R, in particular, M generates (1-e) R. However, $\operatorname{Hom}_R(M, (1-e) R) = \operatorname{Hom}_R(R/A, (1-e) R) \oplus \operatorname{Hom}_R(J, (1-e) R) = 0 \oplus 0 = 0$, from which we see e=1. Thus G(R/I) = R/I, that is, $r_R(R/A) = I \in L(G)$. Therefore, L(G) is bounded.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$. First we shall assume (2) and show the following

Claim 1. For every ideal I which is G-closed in R_R , R/I is a right FPF ring.

Set $\overline{R} = R/I$ and let \overline{G} denote the Goldie torsion theory for mod- \overline{R} . Since \overline{R} is a right non-singular ring by Lemma 1, $L(\overline{G})$ consists of all the essential right ideals of \overline{R} . First we show that $L(\overline{G})$ is bounded. Let $\overline{A} = A/I \in L(\overline{G})$. Then A is essential in R; hence $A \in L(G)$. According to (2) (ii), there exists an ideal J of R such that $J \leq A$ and $J \in L(G)$. If $\overline{B} = B/I$ is a right ideal of \overline{R} such that $\overline{J} \cap \overline{B} = 0$ where $\overline{J} = (J+I)/I$, then $\overline{B} \cdot \overline{J} = \overline{B} \cap \overline{J} = 0$, that is, $B \cdot J \leq I$, from which we have $B \leq I$, because $(R/I)_R$ is non-singular. Thus \overline{J} is essential in $\overline{R}_{\overline{R}}$, which shows that $L(\overline{G})$ is bounded. Now, we turn to the proof of Claim 1. Let M be a finitely generated faithful right \overline{R} -module. We must show that M is a generator of mod- \overline{R} . Since $M/\overline{G}(M)$ is a faithful right \overline{R} -module by Lemma 10 and M obviously generates $M/\overline{G}(M)$, we may assume that $M_{\overline{R}}$ is non-singular; hence it is non-singular as an R-module, also. According to (2) (i), M generates $R/r_R(M) = \overline{R}_{\overline{R}}$, from which we conclude that \overline{R} is right FPF. This completes the proof of Claim 1.

(3) (i) is immediate from (2) (i) and Claim 1.

To show (3) (iii), let M be a finitely generated faithful right R-module. By (2) (iii), we obtain an exact sequence $M^{(n)} \rightarrow G(R) \rightarrow 0$, and further it splits, be-

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cause $G(R)_R$ is projective by (2) (i). Thus we may assume that $M^{(n)} = G(R) \oplus N$ for some integer *n* and some submodule *N* of $M^{(n)}$. It now follows $G(M)^{(n)} = G(M^{(n)}) = G(R) \oplus G(N)$, from which we see that G(M) generates G(R).

Finally, to show (3) (iv), let M be a finitely generated non-singular right R-module. Then M is finitely generated non-singular as a right $R/r_R(M)$ -module, while (2) (i) implies $R=r_R(M)\oplus A$ for some right ideal A of R. It then follows from Claim 1, [3, Theorem 3.12] and [5, Theorem 5.17] that M is embedded into $(R/r_R(M))^{(n)} \cong A^{(n)} \le R_R^{(n)}$ for some integer n.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$. First we shall assume (3) and show the following

Claim 2. (1) G(R) is a direct summand of R as a right ideal.

(2) For every finitely generated non-singular right R-module M such that $r_R(M) = G(R)$, M generates R/G(R).

Let M be a finitely generated non-singular right R-module such that $r_R(M) = G(R)$. By (3) (iv), we obtain an exact sequence $0 \to M \xrightarrow{f} R^{(n)}$ for some integer n. Let $p_i: R^{(n)} \to R$ be the *i*-th projection $(i=1, \dots, n)$ and set $A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i f(M)$. Then A is a finitely generated right ideal of R and $r_R(A) = G(R)$; hence (3) (i) says that R is a direct sum of G(R) and a right ideal B generated by A. Since M obviously generates A, it also generates $B \cong R/G(R)$, which completes the proof of Claim 2.

To show that R is right FPF, let M be a finitely generated faithful right R-module, and choose a submodule N of M maximal with respect to $N \cap G(M) = 0$. Since M/N is an essential extension of G(M), it is G-torsion; hence setting $X=M/G(M)\oplus M/N$, we see that G(X)=M/N and that X is finitely generated faithful. It now follows from (3) (iii) that G(X)=M/N generates G(R). On the other hand, by (3) (ii) and Lemma 10, we have $r_R(X/G(X))=G(R)$; hence Claim 2(2) shows that $X/G(X)\cong M/G(M)$ generates R/G(R). Since M obviously generates both M/N and M/G(M) and since $R\cong G(R)\oplus (R/G(R))$ by Claim 2(1), M generates R. This completes the proof of the theorem.

Assume that R is non-singular right FPF and let M be a finitely generated non-singular right R-module. It then follows from Theorem 11 that $R=r_R(M)$ $\oplus A$ where A is a right ideal of R generated by M. Since R is a semiprime ring by Corollary 6, we see $\operatorname{Hom}_R(M, r_R(M))=0$, which implies $A=Tr_R(M)$. Thus $R=r_R(M)\oplus Tr_R(M)$ as ideals. Therefore, as a consequence of Theorem 11, we obtain the following result, in which $(1)\Leftrightarrow(3)$ is due to [7, Theorem 1] (c.f. [5, Theorem 5.17]).

Corollary 12. For a right non-singular ring R, the following conditions are equivalent:

(1) R is right EPF.

(2) (i) For every finitely generated non-singular right R-module M, $R = r_R(M) \oplus Tr_R(M)$ as ideals.

(ii) R is right essentially bounded.

(3) (i) For every finitely generated right ideal A of R, $R=r_R(A)\oplus Tr_R(A)$ as ideals.

(ii) R is right essentially bounded.

(iii) Every finitely generated non-singular right R-module can be embedded into a free right R-module.

We call a ring homomorphism $\psi: R \to S$ a flat epimorphism if it is an epimorphism in the category of rings (or equivalently, the natural homomorphism $S \otimes_R S \to S$ is an isomorphism by [8, Chapter XI, Section 1]) and S is flat as a right R-module. We note that if both $\psi: R \to S$ and $\zeta: S \to T$ are flat epimorphisms then so is $\zeta \psi: R \to T$. For the Goldie torsion theory G for mod-R, we denote by Q_G the ring of quotients of R with respect to G and by $\varphi: R \to Q_G$ the canonical ring homomorphism.

Now assume that R is right FPF, and set $Q=Q_c$. Since $\varphi(R) \cong R/G(R)$ is projective as a right R-module by Proposition 7, we see that $\varphi: R \to \varphi(R)$ is a flat epimorphism. We also note from [8, Chapter IX, Sections 1 and 2] that $\operatorname{Hom}_R((Q/\varphi(R))_R, Q_R)=0$ and Q_R is injective and non-singular, and from Theorem 11 that if $x \in Q$ then $\varphi(R) + x\varphi(R)$ can be embedded into $R^{(n)}$ (in fact, into $\varphi(R)^{(n)}$) for some integer n. Now, following the same argument as in the proof of $(a) \Rightarrow (b)$ of [5, Theorem 5.17], we see that if $x \in Q$ and $J = \{\varphi(r) \in \varphi(R) | \varphi(r) x \in \varphi(R)\}$ then QJ=Q. It then follows from [5, Theorem 3.9] that the inclusion map $\varphi(R) \to Q$ is a flat epimorphism. Thus we have the following result.

Corollary 13. If R is right EPF then $\varphi: R \rightarrow Q_G$ is a flat epimorphism.

Finally, we present examples to illustrate Theorem 11.

EXAMPLE 1. There exists a ring satisfying the conditions (2) (ii) and (iii) ((3) (ii), (iii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11, but not FPF.

Proof. Set $R = \{(x, y) \in Z \times Z | x \equiv y \pmod{2}\}$ where Z is the ring of integers. Then R is a commutative semiprime Noetherian ring; hence it satisfies (2) (ii) and (iii) ((3) (ii), (iii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11.

Now, set $A=(2, 0)R\oplus(0,2)R$. Then A is finitely generated faithful, but $Tr_{R}(A)=A \neq R$; hence R is not FPF.

EXAMPLE 2. There exists a ring satisfying the conditions (2) (i) and (iii) ((3) (i), (iii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11, but not FPF.

Proof. Let R be a simple principal ideal domain but not a skew field (c.f.

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[6, Proposition 1.3.8]). Then R satisfies the conditions (2) (i) and (iii) ((3)(i), (iii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11, while L(G) is not bounded; hence R is not FPF by Theorem 11.

EXAMPLE 3. There exists a ring satisfying the conditions (2) (i) and (ii) ((3) (i), (ii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11, but not FPF.

Proof. Let F be a field and set $R = \begin{bmatrix} F F[x]/(x^2) \\ 0 F[x]/(x^2) \end{bmatrix}$. Then $Z_r(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (x)/(x^2) \\ 0 & (x)/(x^2) \end{bmatrix}$ and it is essential in R_R ; hence R_R is G-torsion, from which it trivially satisfies the conditions (2) (i) and (ii) ((3) (i), (ii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11.

ially satisfies the conditions (2) (i) and (ii) ((3) (i), (ii) and (iv)) of Theorem 11. Now, set $A = \begin{bmatrix} F & F[x]/(x^2) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Then A is a faithful right ideal generated by $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, but $Tr_R(A) = A \neq R$; hence R is not right FPF.

EXAMPLE 4. There exists a ring satisfying the conditions (3) (i), (ii) and (iii) of Theorem 11, but not FPF.

Proof. Let F be a field, and set $F=F_i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots$, and $R=\{x=(x_i)\in \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i | \text{there exists an integer } n \text{ such that } x_n=x_i \text{ for all but finitely many } i\}$. Then R is a commutative von Neumann regular ring which is not self-injective, and it then satisfies the conditions (3) (i), (ii) and (iii) of Theorem 11. But, [5, Theorem 3.12] and Theorem 11 imply that R is not FPF.

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