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# $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -MITTAG-LEFFLER MODULES AND GLOBAL DIMENSION RELATIVE TO $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -MITTAG-LEFFLER MODULES

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ABSTRACT. Let R be any commutative ring and S be any multiplicative closed set. We introduce an S-version of  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules, called  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules, and define the projective dimension with respect to these modules. We give some characterizations of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules, investigate the relationships between  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules, and use these relations to describe noetherian rings and coherent rings, such as R is noetherian if and only if  $R_{\mathcal{S}}$  is noetherian and every  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler. Besides, we also investigate the  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -global dimension of R, and prove that  $R_{\mathcal{S}}$  is noetherian if and only if its  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -global dimension is zero;  $R_{\mathcal{S}}$  is coherent if and only if its  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -global dimension is at most one.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, denote by R a commutative ring with identity and by S any multiplicative closed set. In addition, Mod-R and Mod- $R_S$  denote the categories consisting of all R-modules and  $R_S$ -modules, respectively.

In recent years, S-versions of some classical notions have attracted the interest of some authors. For example, D. D. Anderson and T. Dumitrescu defined S-finite modules and S-Noetherian rings in [1], and generalized several well-known results including classical Cohen's result and Hilbert basis theorem; S. Bazzoni and L. Positselski defined S-strongly flat modules and S-almost perfect rings in [5], and proved that R is S-almost perfect if and only if every flat module is S-strongly flat; H. Kim, M. O. Kim and J. W. Lim [13] defined S-SM domains, S-factorial domains, and generalized some well-known results to these rings, such as a domain is S-factorial if and only if every prime  $\omega$ -ideal

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is S-principal. In [16] and [17], Lim and Oh studied the S-Noetherian properties in terms of amalgamated algebra and composite ring extensions. Also, in [15], the author studied the Nagata ring of S-Noetherian rings. In [4], Baeck et al. introduced the noncommutative version of S-Noetherian rings. In [14], Kim and Lim generalized S-principal ideal domains by using star-operations.

In this article, according to [5] and [13], we also use these two S-versions to generalize the  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler. For example, R is S-Noetherian if  $R_S$  is noetherian, which is not as same as S-Noetherian rings in [1]; R is S-coherent if  $R_S$  is coherent which is also unlike to the definition in [6]; M is S-finitely generated if  $M_S$  is finitely generated in Mod- $R_S$ , which is also equivalent to saying that there is a finitely generated submodule N of M such that  $M_S = N_S$ ; a map  $\beta: M \to N$  is S-injective if  $\beta_S$  is injective.

Now, we recall some known notions and facts which are necessary for studying  $\mathcal{F}\text{-Mittag-Leffler}$  modules.

Clarke (1976) called an R-module M R-Mittag-Leffler if the natural map  $M \otimes R^{\Gamma} \to M^{\Gamma}$  is injective for any set  $\Gamma$ , or called  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules by some authors such as Rothmaler [19] and Herbera [2]. With the investigation of Goodearl (1972), an R-Mittag-Leffler module M is equivalently to say that, for any finitely generated submodule N of M, the conclusion  $N \hookrightarrow M$  factors through a finitely presented R-module, and then we can easily see that every module is R-Mittag-Leffler if and only if R is noetherian. Besides, the notion of R-Mittag-Leffler modules was also called finitely pure-projective modules by Azumaya [3]. Rothmaler (1994) showed that Mittag-Leffler modules are as same as F-Mittag-Leffler modules over von-Neumann rings [18, Theorem 6.7]. Simson (1977) showed that every modules is Mittag-Leffler if and only if R is pure-semisimple (or called an artinian principle ideal ring [11, Theorem 4.3) [21, Theorem 6.3]. Cortés-Izurdiaga (2016) investigated F-Mittag-Leffler modules and their relative dimension, and proved that R is coherent if and only if every ideal is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler. Besides,  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules were also studied by other authors, such as [12].

In the article, we mainly study the properties of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules, investigate the relative projective dimension and relative global dimension with respect to these modules, and compare these dimensions with the dimension relative to  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules. Some results about Mittag-Leffler modules or  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules are developed. Denote by  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $\mathcal{ML}$  the class of all of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler R-modules,  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler R-modules and Mittag-Leffler R-modules respectively.

In Section 2, we introduce some main basic notations, such as S-finitely generated, S-torsion, S-exact and  $\mathcal{F}_{S}$ -Mittag-Leffler. We note that there is a deference between the notion of S-finitely generated here and S-finite in [1, Definition 1]. Some examples of  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules are given, and it is shown that every finitely generated S-torsion module is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler if and only if it is finitely presented Proposition 2.6.

In Section 3, we give several characterizations of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules (Theorem 3.1), and prove some results, such as  $R_S$  is noetherian if and only if every R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler if and only if every finitely generated R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler; R is noetherian if and only if  $R_S$  is noetherian and  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$ . Besides, we also consider some cases  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules is closed under direct products.

In Section 4, we introduce the  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ -projective dimension and  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ -global dimension. We prove that  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M \leq n$  in Mod-R if and only if  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M_S \leq n$  in Mod- $R_S$  for any R-module M. We also give a sufficient condition for  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  and some examples to show that, although there is a bad relation between  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M$  and  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M$  in Mod-R,  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M \leq n$  if and only if  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M \leq n$  for any R-module M of flat dimension at most n (Example 4.3). In addition, we show that  $R_S$  is coherent if and only if  $\operatorname{gl}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}.\operatorname{dim}(R) \leq 1$  if and only if every finitely generated R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler (Corollary 4.9), and  $\mathcal{ML} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  over a von-Neumann ring with S consisting of non-zero divisors.

#### 2. Basic definitions

In this section, we introduce some notions with respect to the multiplicative closed set S, such as S-finitely generated modules and S-exact sequences, and some other definitions we need in this article. In addition, we give some examples of  $\mathcal{F}_{S}$ -modules and a property of finitely generated S-torsion modules.

### **Definition 2.1.** Let M and N be R-modules. We say that

- (1) M is S-finitely generated (respectively, cyclic, presented) if  $M_S$  is finitely generated (respectively, cyclic, presented) as an  $R_S$ -module.
- (2)  $\tau_S(M) = \{x \in M \mid sx = 0 \text{ for some } s \in S\}$  is called the total S-torsion submodule of M. If  $\tau_S(M) = 0$ , M is called S-torsion-free; If  $\tau_S(M) = M$ , M is called S-torsion.
- (3) An ideal I of R is S-regular if it contains some elements of S. Thus, any S-regular ideal is S-cyclic.
- (4) An R-homomorphism  $f:M\to N$  is S-injective (respectively, S-surjective, S-isomorphic) if the induced  $R_S$ -homomorphism  $f_S:M_S\to N_S$  is injective (respectively, surjective, isomorphic). In these case, we say that M is an S-submodule of N, N is an S-homomorphic image of M and M is S-isomorphic to N, respectively. We note that f is also injective if M and N are also  $R_S$ -modules under the natural ring homomorphism  $R\to R_S$ .
- (5) A sequence  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$  is S-exact if it induces the exact sequence  $0 \to A_S \xrightarrow{f_S} B_S \xrightarrow{g_S} C_S \to 0$ .
- (6) An R-homomorphism  $f:M\to N$  can factor through a module L over  $R_S$  if there are two  $R_S$ -homomorphisms  $\phi:M_S\to L_S$  and  $\varphi:L_S\to N_S$  such that  $f_S=\varphi\phi$ .

Remark 2.2. The notion of S-finitely generated here is not the same as that of S-finite in [1]. For example, let R be not an S-Noetherian domain, where  $S = R \setminus 0$ . Then any ideal is S-finitely generated, but there is an ideal which is not S-finite.

**Lemma 2.3.** If M is S-finitely generated, then there is a finitely generated submodule N of M such that  $N_S = M_S$ .

*Proof.* By assumption, we set  $M_S = \sum_{i=1}^n R_S \frac{m_i}{1}$ , and the submodule N generated by  $\{m_i\}$ . Thus  $N_S = M_S$ .

Recall the notion of  $\mathcal{X}$ -Mittag-Leffler with respect to a class  $\mathcal{X}$  of modules; see [2] or [18].

**Definition 2.4.** Let M and N be R-modules, and  $\mathcal{X}$  be a class of modules.

- (a) We say that M is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -Mittag-Leffler module if the natural homomorphism  $\phi: M \bigotimes_R \prod X_\alpha \to \prod (M \bigotimes_R X_\alpha)$  is injective for any family  $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$  of modules in  $\mathcal{X}$ . If  $\mathcal{X}$  just consists of a single module X, then M is also called Q-Mittag-Leffler.
- (1) If  $\mathcal{X} = \text{Mod-}R$ , M is called Mittag-Leffler, and denote by  $\mathcal{ML}$  the class of all Mittag-Leffler modules.
- (2) If  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{F}$ , consisting of all of flat R-modules, M is called  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler, and denote by  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$  the class of all  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules. See [8].
- (3) If  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ , consisting of all of flat  $R_{\mathcal{S}}$ -modules, M is called  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler, and denote by  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  the class of all  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules.
- (b) We say that M is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -filtered module if there are an ordinal  $\kappa$  and a continuous chain of modules,  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha} \leq \kappa}$ , consisting of submodules of M, satisfying:
  - (1)  $M = M_{\kappa}$ , and
  - (2) each of the modules  $M_{\alpha+1}/M_{\alpha}$  is isomorphic to an element of  $\mathcal{X}$ .

In the case, the chain  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha} \leq \kappa}$  is called an  $\mathcal{X}$ -filtration of M, and  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under filtration if it contains all  $\mathcal{X}$ -filtered modules.

- (c) We say that an (S-)exact sequence  $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -pure if  $(0 \to A_S \bigotimes_R M \to B_S \bigotimes_R M \to C_S \bigotimes_R M \to 0)$   $0 \to A \bigotimes_R M \to B \bigotimes_R M \to C \bigotimes_R M \to 0$  is also exact for any R-module  $M \in \mathcal{X}$ . In this case, A is called an (S-)pure submodule of B with respect to  $\mathcal{X}$ .
- **Example 2.5.** (1) Any S-torsion R-module M is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler. In fact, for  $R_S$ -module X, we have  $M \bigotimes_R X \cong M_S \bigotimes_R X = 0$ .
- (2) Let R be any non-coherent domain. Then there is an ideal I of R such that R/I is not an  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler module. Taking S as any multiplicative closed set such that it intersects I non-empty. As a result, R/I is  $\mathcal{F}_{S}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

In the following, we give a characterization of an S-torsion R-module being  $\mathcal{F}\text{-Mittag-Leffler}.$ 

**Proposition 2.6.** Let M be a finitely generated and S-torsion R-module. Then M is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler if and only if it is finitely presented. In particular, if  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ , then any S-regular ideal is finitely generated.

*Proof.*  $(\Leftarrow)$  Trivially.

 $(\Rightarrow)$  Let M be  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler, and consider the identity map  $I:M\to M$ . Then there is a finitely presented R-module F such that the map I can factor through F by [10, Theorem 1], and hence M is a direct summand of F. Therefore, M is finitely presented.

## 3. $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules

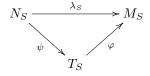
We begin this section by generalizing, we generalize the result [10, Theorem 1] to  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$  (or  $R_{\mathcal{S}}$ )-Mittag-Leffler modules, and give some properties of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules and a characterization of noetherian rings, etc.

**Theorem 3.1.** For any R-module M, the following statements are equivalent:

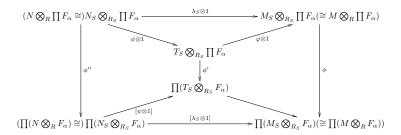
- (a) M is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.
- (b) The natural homomorphism  $\phi: M \bigotimes_{R} (R_S)^{\Gamma} \to (M_S)^{\Gamma}$  is injective for any set  $\Gamma$ .
- (c) The natural homomorphism  $\phi: M \bigotimes_R (R_S)^I \to (M_S)^I$  is injective for some set I of cardinality at least Card(R).
- (d) For any S-finitely generated submodule N of M, the inclusion  $\lambda : N \hookrightarrow M$  can factor through a finitely presented module over  $R_S$ .
- (e) For any finitely generated submodule N of M, the inclusion  $\lambda: N \hookrightarrow M$  can factor through a finitely presented module over  $R_S$ .
- (f) For any finitely generated submodule N of M, the inclusion  $B \hookrightarrow A$  can factor through an S-finitely presented module over  $R_S$ .

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) $\Rightarrow$ (c) and (d) $\Rightarrow$ (e) $\Rightarrow$ (f) are trivial. It only needs to show that (f) $\Rightarrow$ (a) and (c) $\Rightarrow$ (d).

(f) $\Rightarrow$ (a) Let  $x = \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \otimes \beta_i \in \text{Ker}\phi$ , and N be generated by  $\{m_i\}_{i=1}^{n}$ . Thus, there is an S-finitely presented R-module T such that the following diagram is commutative in Mod- $R_S$ :



Now, for any family of flat  $R_S$ -modules  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha\in\Gamma}$ , we consider the following commutative diagram in Mod- $R_S$ :



Without loss of generality, we view x as an element of  $M_S \bigotimes_{R_S} \prod F_{\alpha}$ . Then  $[\lambda_S \otimes 1]$  is injective because all the  $F_{\alpha}$ 's are flat, and  $\phi'$  is isomorphic for  $T_S$  being finitely presented. Therefore,  $x = (\lambda_S \otimes 1)(x) = (\varphi \otimes 1)(\psi \otimes 1)(x) = (\varphi \otimes 1)(\phi')^{-1}([\psi \otimes 1])\phi''(x) = 0$  follows from  $\phi''(x) \in \text{Ker}[\lambda_S \otimes 1]$ .

 $(c)\Rightarrow(d)$  If Card(R) is finite, then R is noetherian and  $R_S$  is a finitely generated R-module. (d) holds by taking T=N. Thus we assume that Card(R) is infinite.

Let N be an S-finitely generated submodules of M, R-homomorphism  $f: F \to M$  be an epimorphism with  $F_R$  free, and set  $K = \operatorname{Ker} f$ . Besides, we also assume that  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \Gamma_M}$  (respectively,  $\{y_j\}_{j \in \Gamma_N}$ ) is a generating system of M (respectively, N). Since  $N_S$  is finitely generated, we set  $N_S = \sum_{k=1}^p R_S \frac{z_k}{1}$ , where  $z_k \in N$ , and then we can also set  $z_k = \sum_{t=1}^{p_k} r_t y_{tk}$  for all  $k \leq p$ . Thus, we have  $N' = \sum_{k=1}^p R z_k \subseteq N'' = \sum_{t=1}^{p_1} R y_{t1} + \dots + \sum_{t=1}^{p_p} R y_{tp} \subseteq N$ . It's easy to see  $N'_S = N''_S = N_S$ . Let  $q = \sum_{t=1}^p p_t$ . Therefore, there is a submodule G generated by  $\{g_{tk}\}_{k \leq p, t \leq p_k}$  of F, and  $f(g_{tk}) = y_{tk}$ . It follows that f(G) = N''.

Now, we consider the following commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$K \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{\lambda \otimes 1} F \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{f \otimes 1} M \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\cong \bigvee_{S} \bigvee_{S \otimes R_{S}} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{\lambda \otimes 1} F_{S} \bigotimes_{R_{S}} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{f \otimes 1} M_{S} \bigotimes_{R_{S}} (R_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow^{\phi} \bigvee_{S \otimes R_{S}} \bigvee_{S \otimes R_{S}} (F_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{f \otimes 1} F_{S} \bigotimes_{R_{S}} (F_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{f \otimes 1} M_{S} \bigotimes_{R_{S}} (F_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow 0$$

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First, G can be embedded into a finitely generated free submodules F' of F, and  $F' \hookrightarrow F$  splits. It follows that  $G_S \hookrightarrow F'_S$  and  $F'_S \hookrightarrow F_S$  split. In addition, we can get  $G^I \hookrightarrow (F')^I \cong F' \bigotimes_R R^I \hookrightarrow F^I$ , and then  $(G_S)^I \hookrightarrow (F'_S)^I \cong F'_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I \hookrightarrow (F_S)^I$ . Thus,  $(G_S)^I \hookrightarrow \phi'(F_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I)$ . By the assumption (c),  $\phi''$  is injective, and then  $0 \to \frac{(K_S)^I}{\operatorname{Im} \phi} \to \frac{(F_S)^I}{\operatorname{Im} \phi'}$  is exact follows from "Snake Lemma". So  $(G_S \cap K_S) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Im} \phi$ .

Since  $Card(G_S) \leq Card(R_S) = Card(R)$  because R is infinite, we have

$$\operatorname{Card}(G_s \cap K_S) \leq \operatorname{Card}(R_S).$$

Thus there exists a surjection  $i \mapsto g_i$  of I onto  $G_s \cap K_S$ . Let  $\{u_l\}_{l \in I'}$  be a generating system of  $R_S$ -module  $G_S \cap K_S$ , where  $\operatorname{Card}(I') \leq \operatorname{Card}(I)$ . On the other hand, for any  $l \in I'$ , we can assume that  $u_l \in \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} R_S \frac{g_i}{1}$ , where  $g_i \in \{g_{tk}\}_{k \leq p, t \leq p_k}$ . In follows, we consider the inverse image of the element  $[u_i]_{i \in I} = \begin{cases} u_i = u_l, & i \in I'; \\ 0, & i \notin I'. \end{cases}$  Since of  $(G_S \cap K_S)^I \subseteq \operatorname{Im}\phi'$ , there is an element  $\alpha \in F_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I$  such that

Since of  $(G_S \cap K_S)^I \subseteq \operatorname{Im}\phi'$ , there is an element  $\alpha \in F_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I$  such that  $[\lambda_S]([u_i]_{i \in I}) = \phi'(\alpha)$ . Since  $[f_S]\phi'(\alpha) = [f_S][\lambda_S]([u_i]_{i \in I}) = 0$  and  $[f_S]\phi'(\alpha) = \phi''(f \otimes 1)(\alpha)$ , we have  $\alpha \in \operatorname{Ker}(f \otimes 1)$  for  $\phi''$  being injective. Therefore, we can find an element  $\beta \in K_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I$  and write it as  $\beta = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{h_j}{1} \otimes [r'_{ji}]_{i \in I}$ , where  $\{h_j\}_{j \leq n} \subseteq K$  and  $r'_{ji} \in R_S$ . Thus,  $\phi(\beta) = [u_i]_{i \in I}$ , and  $u_i = \phi(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{h_j}{1} \otimes r'_{ji})$ , where  $r'_{ji}$  denotes the ith element of  $[r'_{ji}]_{i \in I}$  for any i. Here, we view  $r'_{ji}$  as  $[r'_{i}]_{k \in I} = \begin{cases} r'_{ji}, & k = i; \\ 0, & k \neq i. \end{cases}$ 

We claim that for any  $[g_i]_{i\in I} \in (G_S \cap K_S)^I$ , there is some element  $\beta' = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{h_j}{1} \otimes [\frac{r_{ji}}{s_{ji}}]_{i\in I} \in K_S \bigotimes_{R_S} (R_S)^I$  such that  $[g_i]_{i\in I} = \phi(\beta')$ . Let  $g_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} r'_{ij} u_j$  for any  $i \in I$ . Then  $g_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} r'_{ij} \phi(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{h_k}{1} \otimes r'_{kj}) = \phi(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{h_k}{1} \otimes (\sum_{j=1}^n r'_{ij}) r'_{kj})$ . It follows that  $[g_i]_{i\in I} = \phi(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{h_k}{1} \otimes [(\sum_{j=1}^{n_i} r'_{ij}) r'_{kj}]_{i\in I})$ . Now, we set H to be the submodule generated by  $\{h_j\}_{j\leq n}$  of K, and then

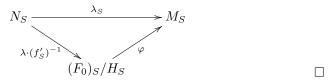
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Now, we obtain an exact sequence  $0 \longrightarrow G_S \cap K_S \xrightarrow{\lambda_S} G_S \xrightarrow{f_S} N_S \longrightarrow 0$  from the short exact sequence  $0 \longrightarrow K_S \xrightarrow{\lambda_S} F_S \xrightarrow{f_S} M_S \longrightarrow 0$ . Consequently,  $f_S$  induces the following commutative diagram:

$$(G_S/(G_S \cap H_S) \cong)(G_S + H_S)/H_S \xrightarrow{\cong_{f_S'}} N_S'' = N_S$$

$$(F_0)_S/H_S$$

As a result, we finish the proof with  $F_0/H$  being finitely presented and the commutative diagram as follows:



Corollary 3.2. The following statements or conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $R_S$  is noetherian.
- (b) Every R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

(c) Every finitely generated R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) If  $R_S$  is noetherian, then  $M_S$  is finitely presented in Mod- $R_S$  for any finitely generated module M.

- (b) $\Rightarrow$ (c) Trivially.
- (c) $\Rightarrow$ (a) We consider the R-module R/I for any ideal I of R. Then there is a finitely presented  $R_S$ -module T such that  $(R/I)_S$  is a direct summand of T by Theorem 3.1. Therefore, I is S-finitely generated, and hence  $R_S$  is noetherian.

Through Corollary 3.2, we give some examples, which show that there is an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module but not an  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler module.

**Example 3.3.** (1) Let R be a non-noetherian domain and  $S = R \setminus \{0\}$  which means that S consists of all non-zero elements in R. Then any R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{S}$ -Mittag-Leffler, but some modules are not  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

(2) Let T be any noetherian ring,  $R = T[\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}]$ , and  $S = \{X_i\}_{i>k}$  for any non-negative integral k. Then every R-module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler, but some modules are not  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $R_S$  be a noetherian ring. Then R is noetherian if and only if  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Corollary 3.2 and [18, Corollary 5.14].  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $R_S$  be a coherent ring. An R-module M is  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler if and only if every finitely generated submodule of M is S-finitely presented.

*Proof.* It follows from the condition (e) in Theorem 3.1.  $\Box$ 

Corollary 3.6. Suppose that  $R_S$  is von-Neumann regular. The following statements and conditions are equivalent for any R-module M:

- (a) The natural homomorphism  $\phi: M \bigotimes_R \prod F_\alpha \to \prod (M \bigotimes_R F_\alpha)$  is injective for any collection of  $R_S$ -modules  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ .
- (b) Every S-finitely generated submodule N of M such that  $N_S$  is projective in Mod- $R_S$ .
- (c) Every finitely generated submodule N of M such that  $N_S$  is projective in Mod- $R_S$ .

*Proof.* The equivalences between these conditions follow from the facts that finitely generated projective modules are finitely presented and finitely presented flat modules are projective.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 3.7.** (a) Let M be an R-module. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) M belongs to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ .
- (2)  $M_S$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ .
- (3)  $M_S$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$  in Mod- $R_S$ .

- (b) If M is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler, then  $M/\tau_{\mathcal{S}}(M)$  is also  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.
- (c)  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  is closed under direct summands and finite direct sums.
- (d) Let  $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$  be an S-exact sequence of R-modules. If A and C belong to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ , then B also belongs to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ .
- (e) Every S-pure submodule of an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module M is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

*Proof.* (a) These equivalences follow from the following commutative diagram:

$$M \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{\cong} M_{S} \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \xrightarrow{\cong} M_{S} \bigotimes_{R_{S}} (R_{S})^{I}$$

$$\downarrow^{\phi} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\phi} \qquad \qquad$$

- (b) The assertion follows for  $(M/\tau_S(M))_S \cong M_S$  and (a).
- (c) It is known that  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$  is closed under direct summands and finite direct sums, and then the assertion follows from (a).
  - (d) Considering the commutative diagram with exact rows as below:

$$A \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow B \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow C \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{I}$$

$$\downarrow^{\phi'} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\phi''}$$

$$0 \longrightarrow (A_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow (B_{S})^{I} \longrightarrow (C_{S})^{I}$$

A short diagram chase which use  $\phi'$  and  $\phi''$  shows that  $\phi$  is injective.

(e) It is easy to show the assertion by the similar argument as in (d).  $\Box$ 

It was known that every direct product of Mittag-Leffler modules is Mittag-Leffler if and only if R is self-injective over a von-Neumann ring R. According to this property, we give a relative result below:

Corollary 3.8. Let  $R_S$  be a von-Neumann regular ring. Then,  $R_S$  is self-injective if and only if  $\prod_{\alpha \in \Gamma} M_{\alpha}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler for any family of S-torsion-free and  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler R-modules  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ .

Proof. ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha\in\Gamma}$  be any family of Mittag-Leffler  $R_S$ -modules. Then  $M_{\alpha}$  is also an  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler and S-torsion-free R-module for any  $\alpha\in\Gamma$ . Thus,  $\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma}M_{\alpha}$  is an  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler R-module by assumption. Therefore,  $\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma}M_{\alpha}\cong(\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma}M_{\alpha})_S$  is an  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler  $R_S$ -module by Proposition 3.7, and hence is also a Mittag-Leffler  $R_S$ -module [19, Fact 3.19].

 $(\Rightarrow)$  Let  $\{M_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha\in\Gamma}$  be any family of S-torsion-free and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler R-modules. Then  $0 \to (\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma} M_{\alpha})_S \to \prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma} (M_{\alpha})_S$  is pure exact for  $R_S$  being von-Neumann regular. Thus,  $(\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma} M_{\alpha})_S$  is a Mittag-Leffler  $R_S$ -module, and then  $\prod_{\alpha\in\Gamma} M_{\alpha}$  is an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler R-module.

## 4. Global dimension with respect to $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules

Since the class  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  is not hereditary, which means that we can not obtain  $A \in \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  for an exact sequence  $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$ , where both B and C are  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler, we can not define the projective dimension of an R-module with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler modules by any resolution in which every module is  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler. Now, we give a modified definition of the projective dimension of an R-module, and the global dimension of R with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler modules [8, Definition 3.1].

**Definition 4.1.** Let n be a natural number and M be an R-module.

(1) We say that M has projective dimension with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules (or  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -projective dimension) at most n, denoted by  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M \leq n$ , if there is a projective resolution

$$\cdots \longrightarrow P_n \xrightarrow{d_n} P_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \cdots \longrightarrow P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} M \xrightarrow{d_{-1}} 0$$

such that  $\operatorname{Ker}(d_{n-1})$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler. If such n does not exist,  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M = \infty$ . In addition, if n is the least such integer, define  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M = n$ .

(2) The global dimension with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules of R, denoted by  $gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}$ . dim(R), is the supremum of the set consisting of  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M$  for all of R-modules M, that is,

$$gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}$$
. dim $(R) = \sup\{pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M \mid M \text{ is an } R\text{-module}\}.$ 

**Proposition 4.2.** Let n be a natural number and M be an R-module. Then

- (a) The  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -projective dimension of M does not depend on the chosen projective resolution.
- (b) The following conditions are equivalent:
  - (1)  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M \leq n$ .
  - (2)  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M_S \leq n \text{ in } Mod\text{-}R_S.$
  - (3) There exists an S-exact sequence  $0 \longrightarrow K \hookrightarrow Q_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\delta_{n-1}} \cdots \longrightarrow Q_1 \xrightarrow{\delta_1} Q_0 \xrightarrow{\delta_0} M \xrightarrow{\delta_{-1}} 0$  such that K is  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ -Mittag-Leffler, where  $K = \text{Ker}(\delta_{n-1})$  and  $(Q_i)_S$  is projective in Mod-R<sub>S</sub> for any  $i \leq n-1$ .
- (c) For any S-exact sequence  $0 \longrightarrow K \xrightarrow{f} P \xrightarrow{g} M \longrightarrow 0$ , where  $P_S$  is a projective  $R_S$ -module, then  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M \leq n+1$  if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}K \leq n$

Proof. (a) Let

$$\cdots \longrightarrow P_n \xrightarrow{d_n} P_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \cdots \longrightarrow P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} M \longrightarrow 0$$

and

$$\cdots \longrightarrow P'_n \xrightarrow{d'_n} P'_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d'_{n-1}} \cdots \longrightarrow P'_1 \xrightarrow{d'_1} P'_0 \xrightarrow{d'_0} M \longrightarrow 0$$

be any two of projective resolutions of M. Set  $K_n = \operatorname{Ker}(d_{n-1})$  and  $K'_n = \operatorname{Ker}(d'_{n-1})$ , and then  $K_n \oplus F \cong K'_n \oplus F$  for some projective R-module F by [20, Proposition 8.5]. Thus,  $K_n$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler if and only if  $K'_n$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler by Proposition 3.7.

- (b) (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) Let  $0 \to K \to P_{n-1} \to \cdots \to P_1 \to P_0 \to M \to 0$  be a projective resolution of M. Then  $0 \to K_S \to (P_{n-1})_S \to \cdots \to (P_1)_S \to (P_0)_S \to M_S \to 0$  be a projective resolution of  $M_S$  in Mod- $R_S$ . Therefore, it follows from Proposition 3.7 that  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}S}M \leq n$  is equivalent to  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}MS} \leq n$  in Mod- $R_S$ .
  - $(1) \Rightarrow (3)$  Trivially.
  - $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$  With the assumption, we obtain an exact sequence of  $R_S$ -modules

$$0 \to K_S \hookrightarrow (Q_{n-1})_S \xrightarrow{(\delta_{n-1})_S} \cdots \longrightarrow (Q_1)_S \xrightarrow{(\delta_1)_S} (Q_0)_S \xrightarrow{(\delta_0)_S} M_S \longrightarrow 0,$$

and  $K_S$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler by Proposition 3.7. Thus,  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M_S \leq n$  in Mod- $R_S$ .

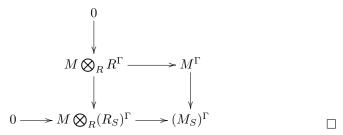
(c) By assumption, the sequence  $0 \longrightarrow K_S \xrightarrow{f_S} P_S \xrightarrow{g_S} M_S \longrightarrow 0$  is exact in Mod- $R_S$ . In addition, it is equivalent to show that  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M_S \leq n+1$  if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}K_S \leq n$  in Mod- $R_S$  by (b). Thus, the assertion holds.

It is obvious that  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M \leq \operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M$  for any R-module M, but there does not exist some integer n such that  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M \leq \operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M + n$  for an R-module M in general. However, there is a good relationship between them for an R-module M of finite flat dimension and a special multiplicative closed set S. See the examples below:

- **Example 4.3.** (1) Let R be a domain but not weak n-coherent for some integer n. We note that if R is weak n-coherent, then R is weak m-coherent for any integer  $m \geq n$ . Consequently, there is an ideal I of R such that  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}R/I > n+1$  [8, Theorem 4.2]. Set a multiplicative closed set S to intersect I non-empty. Then  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}S}R/I=0$ .
- (2) Let R be an arithmetical and locally IF ring, but not coherent. Set  $S = R \backslash m$  for any maximal ideal m of R. Then  $\mathrm{fd}_R R^\Gamma = \infty$  for any set  $\Gamma$  of cardinality at least  $\mathrm{Card}(R)$  by [9, Theorem 1]. Consequently, for any integer n, there is an ideal I of R such that  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^F}I \geq n$ , but  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{F_S}}I = 0$  by Proposition 4.2 and [8, Corollary 4.3].
- (3) Let n be an integer, an R-module M be of flat dimension at most n and the multiplicative closed set S consist of non-zero divisors. Then  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}} M \leq n$  if and only if  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}} M \leq n$ .

*Proof.* The sufficiency is obvious. If  $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}} M \leq n$ , then the (n-1)th syzygy K of any projective resolution of M is flat and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler. Therefore,

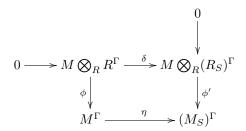
 $\operatorname{pd}_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}M \leq n$  follows from K being  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler for the commutative diagram below:



Next, we give a sufficient condition such that  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ , that is, every  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module is an  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler module.

**Proposition 4.4.** Let  $\Gamma$  be any set of cardinality at least Card(R), and let the multiplicative closed set S consist of non-zero divisors. If the exact sequence  $0 \to R^{\Gamma} \to (R_S)^{\Gamma} \to (R_S/R)^{\Gamma} \to 0$  is  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ -pure, then  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$ .

*Proof.* Let M be an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module. Considering the commutative diagram below:



By assumption,  $\delta$  and  $\phi'$  are injective, and hence it follows from  $\eta \phi = \phi' \delta$  that  $\phi$  is also injective. Thus M is  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler.  $\square$ 

**Definition 4.5.** Let  $\kappa$  be an infinite cardinal and  $\mathcal{X}$  a class of modules. We call a module M ( $\kappa$ ,  $\mathcal{X}$ )-free if M has a ( $\kappa$ ,  $\mathcal{X}$ )-dense system of submodules, that is, a direct family  $\mathcal{S}$  of submodules of M, satisfying:

- (1)  $S \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ ;
- (2)  $\mathcal{S}$  is closed under well order ascending chains of length smaller than  $\kappa$ , and
- (3) Any subset of M of cardinality smaller than  $\kappa$  is contained in an element of S.

In this case, we say that  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under  $\kappa$ -free modules if every  $(\kappa, \mathcal{X})$ -free module belongs to  $\mathcal{X}$ .

If an R-module M is  $(\mathcal{N}_0, \mathcal{X})$ -free, then  $M = \bigcup_{M_\alpha \in \mathcal{S}} M_\alpha$  follows from the condition (3) in Definition 4.5, for any  $(\mathcal{N}_0, \mathcal{X})$ -dense system  $\mathcal{S} = \{M_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ .

**Lemma 4.6** ([8]). Let n be a non-zero natural number and  $\mathcal{X}$  a class of R-modules closed under filtration that contains all projective modules. The following statements and conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $gl_{\mathcal{X}}$ .  $\dim(R) \leq n$ .
- (b)  $pd_{\mathcal{X}}I \leq n-1$  for any ideal I of R.

If in addition,  $\mathcal{X}$  is closed under direct summands, finite direct sums and  $\kappa$ -free modules for some infinite regular cardinal  $\kappa$ , then these conditions are also equivalent to:

(c)  $pd_{\mathcal{X}}I \leq n-1$  for any ideal I of R, which can be generated by a set of cardinality smaller than  $\kappa$ .

**Corollary 4.7.** Let n be a non-zero natural number. Then  $gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}$ .  $\dim(R) \leq n$  if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}I \leq n-1$  for any finitely generated ideal I of R.

*Proof.* According to Proposition 3.7 and Lemma 4.6, it only needs to show that  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  is closed under filtration and  $\kappa$ -free modules for some infinite regular cardinal  $\kappa$ .

First, let M be an  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$ -filtered module. Replace  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  by  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$  respectively, then M belongs to  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  by [2, Proposition 1.9].

Finally, assume that M is  $(\mathcal{N}_0, \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}})$ -free, that is,  $M = \bigcup_{M_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{S}} M_{\alpha}$  for some  $(\mathcal{N}_0, \mathcal{X})$ -dense system  $\mathcal{S} = \{M_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ . For any submodule N of M generated by elements  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$ , there is an element  $M_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{S}$  such that  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\} \subseteq M_{\alpha}$ . Consequently,  $N \subseteq M_{\alpha}$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  by Theorem 3.1.

**Theorem 4.8.** Let n be a non-zero natural number. Then the following statements and conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}$ .  $\dim(R) \leq n$ .
- (b)  $gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}}.\dim(R_S) \leq n$ .
- (c)  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M \leq n$  for any S-cyclic R-module M.
- (d)  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}R/I \leq n$  for any finitely generated ideal I of R.
- (e) There is a set  $\Gamma$  of cardinality at least Card(R) such that  $fd_R(R_S)^{\Gamma} \leq n-1$

*Proof.* (a) $\Leftrightarrow$ (b) follows from Proposition 4.2.

- $(a)\Rightarrow(c)\Rightarrow(d)$  Trivially.
- $(d)\Rightarrow(a)$  follows from Proposition 4.2 and Corollary 4.7.
- (a) $\Leftrightarrow$ (e) Let M be an R-module. We claim that  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}}M \leq n$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Tor}_{n}^{R}(M,(R_{S})^{\Gamma})=0$ , and hence the equivalence between (a) and (c) holds.

We proceed by induction on n. Let  $0 \to K \to P \to M \to 0$  be a projective resolution of M. Consider the following commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$K \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{\Gamma} \xrightarrow{\varphi} P \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{\Gamma} \longrightarrow M \bigotimes_{R} (R_{S})^{\Gamma}$$

$$\downarrow^{\phi'} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\phi''}$$

$$0 \longrightarrow (K_{S})^{\Gamma} \longrightarrow (P_{S})^{\Gamma} \longrightarrow (M_{S})^{\Gamma}$$

In the case n=1, since  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(P,(R_S)^\Gamma)=0$ , we can easily obtain that  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(M,(R_S)^\Gamma)=0$  if and only if  $\varphi$  is injective if and only if  $\phi'$  is injective if and only if K is  $\mathcal{F}_S$ -Mittag-Leffler by Theorem 3.1, if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M\leq 1$  by Proposition 4.2.

Suppose we have shown the claim for some integral n. Then we have  $\operatorname{Tor}_{n+1}^R(M,(R_S)^\Gamma)=0$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Tor}_n^R(K,(R_S)^\Gamma)=0$  if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}K\leq n$ , by induction assumption, if and only if  $pd_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}}M\leq n+1$ .  $\square$ 

In the case of n=1 in Theorem 4.8, we have a new characterization of S-coherent rings:

## Corollary 4.9. The following conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $R_S$  is coherent.
- (b) For any family  $\{F_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha}\in\Gamma}$  of S-divisible and flat R-modules,  $\prod_{{\alpha}\in\Gamma} F_{\alpha}$  is flat.
- (c) For any non-zero integral m, and any family  $\{F_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha}\in\Gamma}$  of  $R_S$ -modules of flat dimension at most m, then  $fd_R\prod_{{\alpha}\in\Gamma}F_{\alpha}\leq m$ .
- (d)  $gl_{\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}} \cdot \dim(R) \leq 1$ .
- (e) Every ideal of R is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.
- (f) Every finitely generated ideal of R is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.
- (g) Every submodule of an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.
- (h) Every S-submodule of an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler module is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler.

*Proof.* (a) $\Leftrightarrow$ (b) $\Leftrightarrow$ (c) follow from [7, Theorem 2.1].

- $(a)\Leftrightarrow(d)\Leftrightarrow(e)\Leftrightarrow(f)$  follow from Theorem 4.8 and [8, Corollary 4.3].
- (a) $\Leftrightarrow$ (g) follows from Proposition 4.2 and [8, Corollary 4.3].
- (h)⇒(g) Trivially.
- $(g)\Rightarrow(h)$  follows from Proposition 3.7.

## Corollary 4.10. Let $R_S$ be coherent. If $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}}$ , then

- (a) R is coherent.
- (b) any S-regular ideal of R is finitely presented.
- *Proof.* (a) The conclusion holds by Corollary 4.9 and [8, Corollary 4.3].
- (b) Let I be an S-regular ideal. Then R/I is  $\mathcal{F}_{S}$ -Mittag-Leffler. Thus, I is finitely presented by Proposition 2.6 and (a).

Finally, we give some examples to show the relationship among Mittag-Leffler modules,  $\mathcal{F}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}$ -Mittag-Leffler modules.

- **Example 4.11.** (1) Let R be a domain and  $S = R \setminus \{0\}$ , or  $R_S$  be noetherian for some S. Then  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S}$  if and only if R is noetherian;  $\mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_S} = \mathcal{ML}$  if and only if R is a field or an artinian principle ideal ring [18, Corollary 4.8] and [11, Theorem 4.3].
- (2) Let R be a von-Neumann regular ring, and the multiplicative closed set S consist of non-zero divisors. Then we have  $\mathcal{ML} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{M}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{S}}}$  by Example 4.3 and [19, Fact 3.19].

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