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# Some Examples of ACS-Rings

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**Abstract.** A ring R is called a right ACS-ring if the annihilator of any element in R is essential in a direct summand of R. In this note we will exhibit some elementary but important examples of ACS-rings. Let R be a reduced ring, then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if R[x] is a right ACS-ring. Let R be an  $\alpha$ -rigid ring. Then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if the Ore extension  $R[x;\alpha]$  is a right ACS-ring. A counterexample is given to show that the upper matrix ring  $T_n(R)$  over a right ACS-ring R need not be a right ACS-ring.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, unless otherwise stated, all rings are associative rings with identity and all modules are unitary right R-modules.

In [1] a submodule N of M is called an essential submodule, denoted by  $N \leq_e M$ , if for any nonzero submodule L of M,  $L \cap N \neq 0$ . (Note that we are employing the convention that  $0 \leq_e 0$ .) Let M be a module and N a submodule of M. Then  $N \leq_e M$  if and only if for any  $0 \neq m \in M$ , there is  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq mr \in N$ .

From [2] a ring R is called a right ACS-ring if the right annihilator of every element of R is essential in a direct summand of  $R_R$ ; or equivalently, R is a right ACS-ring if, for any  $a \in R$ ,  $aR = P \oplus S$  where  $P_R$  is a projective right ideal and  $S_R$  is a singular right ideal of R. A ring R is called a right p.p.-ring if every

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principal ideal of R is projective; or equivalently, the right annihilator of every element of R is generated by an idempotent of R. It is known that for a right nonsingular ring R, R is a right ACS-ring if and only if R is a right p.p.-ring. Also it is shown in [4] that polynomial rings over right p.p.-rings need not be right p.p.-rings.

From [5] a ring R is called right p.q-Baer if the right annihilator of right principal ideal of R is generalized by an idempotent of R. A ring R is called reduced if it has no nonzero nilpotent. In a reduced ring R, all idempotents are central in R and  $r_R(X) = l_R(X)$  for any subset X of R. A ring R is called abelian if all idempotents of R are central. Reduced rings are abelian.

A ring R is called Armendariz if whenever polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \cdots + b_nx^n \in R[x]$  satisfy f(x)g(x) = 0, then  $a_ib_j = 0$  for each i, j (see [7]). Reduced rings are Armendariz rings and Armendariz rings are abelian (see [7, Lemma 7]).

In Sec. 2, we first characterize reduced right ACS-ring and then show that R is a right ACS-ring if and only if S is a right ACS-ring, where  $S = R * \mathbb{Z}$  is the Dorroh extension of R by  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

In Sec. 3, it is shown that, for a reduced ring R, R is a right ACS-ring if and only if R[x] is a right ACS-ring. Let R be an  $\alpha$ -rigid ring. Then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if the Ore extension  $R[x; \alpha]$  is a right ACS-ring.

In Sec. 4, a counterexample is given to show that the upper matrix ring  $T_n(R)$  over a right ACS-ring R need not be a right ACS-ring.

Let R be a ring and  $a \in R$ , we denote by  $r_R(a) = \{r \in R \mid ar = 0\}$  (resp. $l_R(a) = \{r \in R \mid ra = 0\}$ ) the right (resp.left) annihilator of a.

## 2. Some Results and the Dorroh Extension of ACS-Rings

In this section we will first characterize reduced ACS-rings and then investigate the Dorroh extension of ACS-rings. Firstly, it is easy to see:

**Lemma 2.1.** Let R be a right nonsingular ring. Then the following are equivalent for any  $a \in R$  and a right ideal I of R:

- (1)  $r_R(a) \leq_e I$ ;
- (2)  $r_R(a) = I$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let R be a reduced ring. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) R is a right ACS-ring;
- (2) The right annihilator of every finitely generated right ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (3) The right annihilator of every principal right ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (4) The right annihilator of every principal ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (5) The left annihilator of every principal ideal is essential (as a left ideal) in a direct summand;
- (6) The left annihilator of every finitely generated left ideal is essential (as a left ideal) in a direct summand;

- (7) The left annihilator of every principal left ideal is essential (as left ideal) in a direct summand;
- (8) R is a left ACS-ring.

#### Proof.

- $(1)\Rightarrow (2)$ . Let  $X=\sum_{i=1}^n x_iR$  be any finitely generated right ideal of R. Then  $r_R(X)=\cap_{i=1}^n r_R(x_iR)$ . Since R is a reduced right ACS-ring, then there are  $e_i^2=e_i\in R$  such that  $r_R(x_iR)=r_R(x_i)\leq_e e_iR$  for  $1\leq i\leq n$ . Set  $e=e_1e_2\cdots e_n\in R$ , then, since R is reduced, we have  $e^2=e$  and  $\cap_{i=1}^n e_iR=eR$ . Thus we have  $r_R(X)\leq_e eR$ .
- $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ . This is obvious.
- $(1) \Leftrightarrow (3)$ . Trivially.
- $(3) \Leftrightarrow (4)$ . Note that  $r_R(aR) = r_R(RaR)$  for any  $a \in R$ .
- (4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5). Note that in a reduced ring R  $r_R(X) = l_R(X)$  for any subset X of R and that any idempotent of R is central.
- $(5) \Leftrightarrow (7)$ . Note that  $l_R(aR) = l_R(RaR)$  for any  $a \in R$ .
- $(5) \Leftrightarrow (6)$ . The proof is similar to that of  $(2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$ .
- $(7) \Leftrightarrow (8)$ . Trivially.

Recall that a commutative ring R is nonsingular if and only if R is reduced; and that a right nonsingular ring R is a right ACS-ring if and only if R is a right p.p.-ring. Thus as an immediate consequence of the theorem and lemma above, we have:

**Corollary 2.1.** Let R be a commutative reduced ring. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) R is a right ACS-ring;
- (2) The right annihilator of every finitely generated right ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (3) The right annihilator of every principal right ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (4) The right annihilator of every principal ideal is essential (as right ideal) in a direct summand;
- (5) R is a right p.p.-ring;
- (6) R is a right p.q-Baer ring;
- (7) The left annihilator of every finitely generated left ideal is essential (as left ideal) in a direct summand;
- (8) The left annihilator of every principal left ideal is essential (as left ideal) in a direct summand;
- (9) The left annihilator of every principal left ideal is essential (as left ideal) in a direct summand;
- (10) R is a left ACS-ring;
- (11) R is a left p.p.-ring;
- (12) R is a left p.q-Baer ring.

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Secondly, we consider the Dorroh extension of ring R by  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let R be a ring and  $\mathbb{Z}$  the ring of all integers. Let  $S = R * \mathbb{Z}$  be the Dorroh extension of R by  $\mathbb{Z}$ . As sets,  $S = R \times \mathbb{Z}$ , the Cartesian product of R and  $\mathbb{Z}$ . The addition and multiplication of S are defined as follows: for all  $(r_i, n_i) \in S$ , i = 1, 2

$$(r_1, n_1) + (r_2, n_2) = (r_1 + r_2, n_1 + n_2),$$
  
 $(r_1, n_1)(r_2, n_2) = (r_1r_2 + n_1r_2 + n_2r_1, n_1n_2),$ 

S is an associative ring with identity (0,1).

**Lemma 2.2.** Let R be a ring and  $S = R * \mathbb{Z}$  the Dorroh extension of R by  $\mathbb{Z}$ . If S is a right ACS-ring, then so is R.

*Proof.* Let  $a \in R$ , then  $(a,0) \in S$ . Since S is a right ACS-ring, then there is an idempotent  $s = (r,n) \in S$  such that  $r_S((a,0)) \leq_e sS$ . Since  $s^2 = s$ , we have that either n = 0 or n = 1.

Case 1. If n = 0, then  $r^2 = r \in R$ . We now show that  $r_R(a) \leq_e rR$ . For any  $x \in r_R(a)$ , we have 0 = (a,0)(x,0) and (x,0) = (r,0)(b,m) = (rb+mr,0) for some  $(b,m) \in S$ . Thus  $x \in rR$ .

For  $0 \neq rb \in rR$ ,  $(0,0) \neq (rb,0) = (r,0)(b,0) \in (r,0)S$ . Thus there is  $(c,m) \in S$  such that  $0 \neq (rb,0)(c,m) = (rbc + mrb,0) \in r_S((a,0))$ . Obviously  $0 \neq rb(c+m1_R) \in r_R(a)$ . Therefore R is a right ACS-ring.

Case 2. If n=1, then t=1+r is an idempotent of R. We will show that  $r_R(a) \leq_e tR$ . Let  $x \in r_R(a)$ , then (a,0)(x,0) = (0,0) and (x,0) = (r,1)(b,m) = (rb+b+mr,m) for some  $(b,m) \in S$ . So m=0 and  $x=(r+1)b=tb \in tR$ . Thus  $r_R(a) \leq tR$ .

Let  $0 \neq tc \in tR$ , then  $(0,0) \neq (tc,0) = (r,1)(c,0) \in (r,1)S$ . Thus there is  $(b,m) \in S$  such that  $(0,0) \neq (tc,0)(b,m) = (tcb+mtc,0) \in r_S((a,0))$ . Obviously  $b+m1_R \neq 0$  and  $tc(b+m1_R) \in r_R(a)$ . Thus R is a right PCS-ring.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let R be a right ACS-ring. Then  $S = R * \mathbb{Z}$  is a right ACS-ring.

Proof.

Case 1. Let  $(a, m) \in S$  and  $m \neq 0$ . Then there is  $e^2 = e \in R$  such that  $r_R((a + m1_R)R) \leq_e eR$ . We now show that  $r_S((a, m)) \leq_e (e, 0)S$ .

For any  $(b, n) \in r_S((a, m))$ , we have (a, m)(b, n) = (ab + mb + na, mn) = (0, 0). Thus n = 0 and  $b \in r_R((a + m1_R)) \le eR$ . Hence b = er for some  $r \in R$  and therefore  $(b, 0) = (e, 0)(r, 0) \in (e, 0)S$ .

For any  $(0,0) \neq (e,0)(b,n) \in (e,0)S$ , we have  $0 \neq e(b+n1_R)$ . So there is  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq e(b+n1_R)r \in r_R((a+m1_R))$ . Hence we have

$$(a, m)(e(b + n1_R), 0)(r, 0) = ((a + m1_R)e(b + n1_R)r, 0) = (0, 0).$$

Thus  $r_S((a, m)) \leq_e (e, 0)S$ .

Case 2. Let  $(a,0) \in S$ , then there is  $e^2 = e \in R$  such that  $r_R(a) \leq_e eR$ . We now show that  $r_S((a,0)) \leq_e (e-1,1)S$ . It is easy to see that  $r_S((a,0)) \leq (e-1,1)S$ .

For any  $(0,0) \neq (e-1,1)(b,n) = (eb + ne - n1_R, n) \in (e-1,1)S$ .

Subcase 1. If n = 0, then  $eb \neq 0$  and there is  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq ebr \in r_R(a)$ . Thus we have

$$(a,0)(e-1,1)(b,0)(r,0) = (aebr,0) = (0,0).$$

So  $r_S((a,0)) \leq_e (e-1,1)S$ .

Subcase 2. If  $n \neq 0$  and  $e(b + n1_R) = 0$ , then we have  $(a, 0)(-n1_R, n) = (0, 0)$ . So  $r_S((a, 0)) \leq_e (e - 1, 1)S$ .

Subcase 3. If  $n \neq 0$  and  $e(b+n1_R) \neq 0$ , then there is  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq e(b+n1_R)r \in r_R(a)$ . Thus we have

$$(a,0)(e-1,1)(b,n)(r,0) = (a,0)(e(b+n1_R)r,0) = (0,0).$$

So  $r_S((a,0)) \leq_e (e-1,1)S$ .

Therefore S is a right ACS-ring.

As a consequence of these two lemmas, we have:

**Theorem 2.2.** Let R be a ring and  $S = R * \mathbb{Z}$  the Dorroh extension of R by  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if S is a right ACS-ring.

Now we investigate the trivial extension of R. Let R be a commutative ring and M an R-module. Denote by  $S = R \propto M$  the trivial extension of R by M with pairwise addition and multiplication given by: (a, m)(a', m') = (aa', am' + a'm). Note that any idempotent of S is of form (e, 0), where  $e^2 = e \in R$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** Let R be a commutative ring and I an ideal of R. Let  $S = R \propto I$  be the trivial extension of R by I. If S is an ACS-ring, so is R.

*Proof.* Let  $a \in R$ , then  $r_S((a,0)) \leq_e (e,0)S$  for some idempotent  $(e,0) \in S$ . It is easy to see that  $r_R(a) \leq_e eR$  and that R is an ACS-ring.

## 3. (SKEW) Polynomial Rings of ACS-Rings

As we know, polynomial rings over right p.p.-rings need not be right p.p.-rings. In this section we first investigate the relation between the ACS-property of ring R and that of the ring of all polynomials over ring R in indeterminant x.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let R be any reduced ring and S = R[x] the ring of all polynomials over R in indeterminant x. If S is a right ACS-ring, then so is R.

*Proof.* Suppose that S is a right ACS-ring. Let  $a \in R$ , then there is an idempotent e(x) of S such that  $r_S(a) \leq_e e(x)S$ . Let  $e_0$  be the constant of e(x), then, since R is reduced, we have  $e(x) = e_0 \in R$ . We now show that  $r_R(a) \leq_e e_0 R$ .

It is easy to see that  $r_R(a) \leq e_0 R$ . For any  $0 \neq e_0 r \in e_0 R$ , then there is  $0 \neq g(x) \in S$  such that  $0 \neq e_0 r g(x) \in r_S(a)$ . Thus  $a e_0 r g(x) = 0$ . Let

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 $g(x) = b_n x^n + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0$  and  $b_n \neq 0$ . Then we have that  $ae_0 rb_n = 0$  and that  $r_R(a) \leq_e e_0 R$ . Thus R is a right ACS-ring.

Remark 3.1. If R is not reduced and S = R[x] is an ACS-ring, R may be an ACS-ring. For example, set  $R = Z_4$ . Then it is easy to see that R[x] is an ACS-ring.

Let R be a right ACS-ring. When is S = R[x] a right ACS-ring?

**Lemma 3.2.** Let R be an Armendariz ACS-ring and S = R[x]. Then S = R[x] is a right ACS-ring.

Proof. Let  $f(x)=a_nx^n+a_{n-1}x^{n-1}+\cdots+a_1x+a_0$  be any nonzero polynomial of S. Since R is an Armendariz ACS-ring, then  $r_R(a_i)\leq_e e_iR$  for some  $e_i^2=e_i\in R$ ,  $0\leq i\leq n$ . Set  $e=e_0e_1\cdots e_n\in R$ , then  $e^2=e$  and  $\bigcap_{i=0}^n r_R(a_i)\leq_e \bigcap_{i=0}^n e_iR=eR$ . Let  $h(x)=b_mx^m+b_{m-1}x^{m-1}+\cdots+b_1x+b_0\in r_S(f(x))$ , then f(x)h(x)=0 and  $a_ib_j=0$  for all  $0\leq i\leq n$ ,  $0\leq j\leq m$ . Thus  $h(x)\in eS$  and  $r_S(f(x))\leq eS$ .

Let  $0 \neq ek(x) = ec_m x^m + ec_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \cdots + ec_1 x + ec_0 \in eS$ . Since  $ec_t \in eR$ , we may find  $r \in R$  such that  $ec_t r \in \bigcap_{i=0}^n r_R(a_i)$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq m$  and  $ec_k r \neq 0$  for some  $0 \leq k \leq m$ . Thus  $ek(x)r \neq 0$  and f(x)ek(x)r = 0, which means that  $r_S(f(x)) \leq_e eS$ . So S is a right ACS-ring.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let R be a reduced ring. Then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if R[x] is a right ACS-ring.

*Proof.* This is an immediate consequence of the two lemmas above and of the fact that any reduced ring is an Armendariz ring.

Since R is reduced if and only if R[x] is reduced, we have:

**Corollary 3.1** Let R be a reduced ring and X a nonempty set of commutative indeterminates. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) R is a right ACS-ring;
- (2) R[X] is a right ACS-ring.

Now we consider the Ore extension of ACS-ring.

Recall that for a ring R with a ring endomorphism  $\alpha: R \longrightarrow R$  and an  $\alpha$ -derivation  $\delta: R \longrightarrow R$ , the Ore extension  $R[x; \alpha, \delta]$  of R is the ring obtained by giving the polynomial ring over R with new multiplication

$$xr = \alpha(r)x + \delta(r)$$

for all  $r \in R$ . If  $\delta = 0$ , then we write  $R[x; \alpha]$  for  $R[x; \alpha, 0]$  and call it an *Ore extension of endomorphism type* (also called a *skew polynomial ring*).

Let  $\alpha$  be an endomorphism of R.  $\alpha$  is called a rigid endomorphism if  $r\alpha(r)=0$  implies r=0 for all  $r\in R$ . A ring R is called  $\alpha$ -rigid if there is a rigid endomorphism  $\alpha$  of R. Any rigid endomorphism is a monomorphism and any

 $\alpha$ -rigid ring is a reduced ring. But there is an endomorphism of a reduced ring which is not a rigid endomorphism.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let R be an  $\alpha$ -rigid ring and  $R[x; \alpha, \delta]$  the Ore extension of R. Then we have the following:

- (1) If ab = 0,  $a, b \in R$ , then  $a\alpha^n(b) = \alpha^n(a)b = 0$  for any positive integer n;
- (2) If ab = 0, then  $a\delta^m(b) = \delta^m(a)b = 0$  for any positive integer m;
- (3) If  $a\alpha^k(b) = \alpha^k(a)b = 0$  for some positive integer k, then ab = 0;
- (4) Let  $p = \sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i x^i$  and  $q = \sum_{j=0}^{n} b_j x^j$  in  $R[x; \alpha, \delta]$ . Then pq = 0 if and only if  $a_i b_j = 0$  for all  $0 \le i \le m$ ,  $0 \le j \le n$ ;
- (5) If  $e(x)^2 = e(x) \in R[x; \alpha, \delta]$  and  $e(x) = e_0 + e_1 x + \dots + e_n x^n$ , then  $e = e_0 \in R$ .

*Proof.* See Lemma 4, Proposition 6 and Corollary 7 of [3].

Using the lemma above we can show:

**Theorem 3.2.** Let R be an  $\alpha$ -rigid ring. Then R is a right ACS-ring if and only if the Ore extension  $R[x; \alpha]$  is a right ACS-ring.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $S = R[x; \alpha]$  is a right ACS-ring and let  $a \in R$ . Then there is an idempotent  $e(x) = e_n x^n + e_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + e_1 x + e_0 \in R[x; \alpha]$  such that  $r_S(a) \leq_e e(x)S$ . Since R is  $\alpha$ -rigid, then  $e(x) = e_0 \in R$ . We now show that  $r_R(a) \leq_e e_0 R$ . It is easy to see that  $r_R(a) \leq e_0 R$ .

For any  $0 \neq e_0 r_0 \in e_0 R$ , then there is  $0 \neq h(x) = b_t x^t + b_{t-1} x^{t-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0 \in S$ ,  $(b_t \neq 0)$  such that  $0 \neq e_0 r_0 h(x) \in r_S(a)$ . Thus there is  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, t\}$  such that  $0 \neq e_0 r_0 b_k \in r_R(a)$ . So  $r_R(a) \leq_e e_0 R$  and R is a right ACS-ring.

Conversely, suppose that R is a right ACS-ring. Let

$$g(x) = b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0 \in S.$$

Then there are  $e_i^2 = e_i \in R$ , such that  $r_R(b_i) \leq_e e_i R$  for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$ . Set  $e = e_0 e_1 \cdots e_m$ . Since R is  $\alpha$ -rigid, then R is reduced and  $e^2 = e \in R$ . Furthermore,  $\bigcap_{i=0}^m r_R(b_i) \leq_e \bigcap_{i=0}^m e_i R = eR$ . We now show that  $r_S(q(x)) \leq_e eS$ .

Furthermore,  $\bigcap_{i=0}^m r_R(b_i) \leq_e \bigcap_{i=0}^m e_i R = eR$ . We now show that  $r_S(g(x)) \leq_e eS$ . For any  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \in r_S(g(x))$ , then g(x)f(x) = 0 and  $b_i a_j = 0$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . Thus  $a_j \in r_R(b_i)$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . So  $a_j \in eR$  and  $f(x) \in eS$ . Hence  $r_S(g(x)) \leq eS$ .

Let  $0 \neq eh(x) = ec_t x^t + ec_{t-1} x^{t-1} + \cdots + ec_1 x + ec_0 \in eS$  with  $0 \neq ec_t$ . We can find  $r \in R$  such that  $0 \neq eh(x)r$  and  $ec_j \alpha^j(r) \in \cap_i^n r_R(b_i)$  for all  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, t\}$ . By the lemma above, since  $b_i \alpha^i(ec_j \alpha^j(r)) = 0$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq t$ , we have g(x)eh(x)r = 0. Thus  $r_S(g(x)) \leq_e eS$  and S is a right ACS-ring.

## 4. Formal Triangular Matrix Rings of ACS-Rings

It is shown in [6] that the class of quasi-Baer rings is closed under  $n \times n$  matrix rings and under  $n \times n$  upper (or lower) triangular matrix rings. It is natural to ask:

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**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $T_n(R)$  be the  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix ring over R. If  $T_n(R)$  is a right ACS-ring, so is R.

*Proof.* We only show the case n=2. The cases  $n\geq 3$  are similar. Let  $a\in R$ , then  $r_{T_2(R)}\left(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)\leq_e \begin{pmatrix} e & m \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix}T_2(R)$  for some idempotent  $\begin{pmatrix} e & m \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix}$  of  $T_2(R)$ . Obviously  $e^2=e\in R$  and it is easy to show that  $r_R(a)\leq eR$ .

Let  $0 \neq er \in eR$ , then  $\begin{pmatrix} er & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} e & m \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix} T_2(R)$  and there is nonzero

element 
$$\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix}$$
 of  $T_2(R)$  such that  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} er & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} erx & ery \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Thus either  $0 \neq erx$  or  $ery \neq 0$ , we have  $erx \in r_R(a)$  or  $ery \in r_R(a)$  and hence  $r_R(a) \leq_e eR$ . So R is a right ACS-ring.

The converse of the proposition above is not true, in general. See:

Example 4.1. Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the ring of integers, then  $\mathbb{Z}$  is an ACS-ring. But the upper matrix ring  $T_2(\mathbb{Z})$  is not a right ACS-ring.

*Proof.* Let  $T = T_2(\mathbb{Z})$ . It is easy to see that all idempotents of T are:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $0 \neq b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $t = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in T$ , then  $r_T(t) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} \in T \mid 2y + 3z = 0 \right\}$ . If T is a right ACS-ring, a calculation shows that  $r_T(t)$  must be essential, as a right ideal, in T. Let  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in T$ , then there is  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} \in T$  such that  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in r_T(t)$ . But this is impossible.

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