

On special ideals of non commutative rings

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Compare notion of prime ideals and n -ideals:

- 1 $3\mathbb{Z}$ is a prime ideal of \mathbb{Z} but not an n -ideal since $3\mathbb{Z} \not\subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}) = \{0\}$.
- 2 In \mathbb{Z}_{27} $\langle \bar{9} \rangle$ is an n -ideal but not a prime ideal

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Examples

- 1 If I is a \mathcal{J} -ideal of a ring R , then $I \subseteq \mathcal{J}(R)$.
- 2 If R is a quasi-local ring, then every proper ideal of R is a \mathcal{J} -ideal.
- 3 In any ring R , every n -ideal I of R is a J -ideal.

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If R is an Artinian ring, then since $\mathcal{P}(R) = \mathcal{L}(R) = \mathcal{N}(R) = \mathcal{J}(R) = \mathcal{G}(R)$ the notions of $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{J}$ and \mathcal{G} -ideals are the same. For a commutative ring R , we have $\mathcal{P}(R) = \mathcal{L}(R) = \mathcal{N}(R)$. Hence for commutative rings the notions \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{N} -ideals are the same.

If the ring R is commutative

As was mentioned the notions of N -ideals and J -ideals were introduced by Tekir et al. and Khashan et al. for commutative rings.

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If ρ is the prime radical or the Jacobson radical of a commutative ring, then a proper ideal I of R is a ρ -ideal if whenever $a, b \in R$ with $ab \in I$ and $a \notin \rho(R)$, then $b \in I$.

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Consider the Jacobson radical and the ring \mathbb{Z}_{36} . Now $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Z}_{36}) = \langle \overline{6} \rangle$ and $I = \langle \overline{12} \rangle \subseteq \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Z}_{36})$. But I is not a \mathcal{J} -ideal since $\overline{3}\mathbb{Z}_{36}\overline{4} \subseteq I$ with $\overline{3} \notin \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Z}_{36})$ and $\overline{4} \notin I$.

Theorem

Let R and S be rings and $f : R \rightarrow S$ be a surjective ring-homomorphism. If ρ is a special radical, then the following statements hold:

- ① If I is a ρ -ideal of R and $\ker(f) \subseteq I$, then $f(I)$ is a ρ -ideal of S .
- ② If J is a ρ -ideal of S and $\ker(f) \subseteq \rho(R)$, then $f^{-1}(J)$ is a ρ -ideal of R .

Corollary

Let ρ be a special radical and let R be a ring and let I, K be two ideals of R with $K \subseteq I$. Then the following hold.

- ① If I is a ρ -ideal of R , then I/K is a ρ -ideal of R/K .
- ② If I/K is a ρ -ideal of R/K and $K \subseteq \rho(R)$, then I is a ρ -ideal of R .
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- ① For a ring R we have that $\rho(R)$ is a ρ -ideal if and only if $\rho(R)$ is a prime ideal.
- ② If R is a ring such that $R \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$ but $R \notin \mathcal{P}$, then R has no ρ -ideals.
- ③ Let $R \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$. Then 0 is a ρ -ideal if and only if R is a prime ring.

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If ρ is a special radical and I a maximal ρ -ideal of R , then I is a prime ideal. If in particular $\rho(R) = I$, then the converse is true.

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Remark

If $(\rho(R)M : M) \not\subseteq \rho(R)$, it need not be true. Let \mathcal{P} be the prime radical. For the \mathbb{Z} module $M = \mathbb{Z}_2$ we have $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}) = (0)$ and $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})\mathbb{Z}_2 : \mathbb{Z}_2) = ((0) : \mathbb{Z}_2) = 2\mathbb{Z}$. Now, $N = (0)$ is clearly a \mathcal{P} submodule. $(N : M) = ((0) : \mathbb{Z}_2) = 2\mathbb{Z}$ is not a \mathcal{P} ideal of \mathbb{Z} . We have $2\mathbb{Z}3 \subseteq 2\mathbb{Z}$ with $3 \notin 2\mathbb{Z}$.

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- 2 If $(\rho(R)M : M) = \rho(R)$ and N is a ρ -submodule of M with $IM + MI \subseteq N$, then $I \boxplus N$ is a ρ -ideal of $R \boxplus M$.

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Product rings

Suppose that R_1, R_2 are two noncommutative rings with nonzero identities and $R = R_1 \times R_2$. Then R becomes a noncommutative ring with coordinate-wise addition and multiplication. Also, every ideal I of R has the form $I = I_1 \times I_2$, where I_i is an ideal of R_i for $i = 1, 2$. Now, we give the following result.

Proposition

Let R_1 and R_2 be two noncommutative rings and let ρ be a special radical then $R_1 \times R_2$ has no ρ -ideals

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Results of Tekir et al for non-commutative rings

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- ① If a proper ideal I of a ring R is a \mathcal{P} -ideal, then $I \subseteq \mathcal{P}(R)$.
- ② For a prime ideal I of R , I is a \mathcal{P} -ideal of R if and only if $I = \mathcal{P}(R)$.
- ③ For a ring R we have that $\mathcal{P}(R)$ is a \mathcal{P} -ideal if and only if $\mathcal{P}(R)$ is a prime ideal.
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- ⑥ If I is a maximal \mathcal{P} -ideal of R , then $I = \mathcal{P}(R)$.

Theorem

For any ring the following are equivalent:

- 1 R is a prime ring.
- 2 (0) is the only \mathcal{P} -ideal of R .

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- 1 *R is a local ring.*
- 2 *Every proper ideal of R is a \mathcal{J} ideal.*
- 3 *Every proper principal ideal of R is a \mathcal{J} ideal.*

Another result of Khashan et al for non-commutative rings

Proposition

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