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1.1 Prop 1.2 (d)

According to Hilbert's Nullstellensatz, I agree we'll get $I(Z(\mathfrak{a})) \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$. For the reverse inclusion, pick any $f \in A$ such that $f^r \in \mathfrak{a}$ where $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. We wish to show that $f(P) = 0$ for any $P \in Z(\mathfrak{a})$. By definition, $f^r(P) = 0$ given $f^r \in \mathfrak{a}$. And this implies

$$f^r(P) = (f(P))^r = 0 \ \Rightarrow \ f(P) = 0$$

given the polynomial ring A is an integral domain. Therefore we get the inclusion

$$I(Z(\mathfrak{a})) \supset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}.$$

See Theorem 6 on Page 183, Strong Nullstellensatz, [1]. ✔

2 References

[1] David Cox, John Little, and Donal OShea. *Ideals, varieties, and algorithms: an introduction to computational algebraic geometry and commutative algebra.* Springer Science & Business Media, 2013.