

Z-Nearly Prime Submodules

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Abstract: Let R be a commutative ring with identity and N be a proper submodule of R -module M is called prime if whenever $rx \in N$; $r \in R$, $x \in M$, implies either $x \in N$ or $r \in [N:M]$. In this paper we say that N is Z -nearly prime submodule of R -module M , if whenever $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x) \cdot x \in N$, then either $x \in N + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [N + J(M):M]$, $J(M)$ is the Jacobson radical of M . We prove some result of this type of submodules.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper R is commutative ring with one. And M is a unitary R -module. A proper submodule N of an R -module M is called a prime submodule if for each $r \in R$, $x \in M$, such that $rx \in N$, then either $x \in N$ or $r \in [N:M]$, where $[N:M] = \{r: r \in R, rM \subseteq N\}$, [1]. There are several generalization of the notion of prime submodules as Z -prime. The definition of Z -prime is came in [2], as following: we say that a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called Z -prime if for each $x \in M$, $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$, such that $f(x) \cdot x \in N$ implies that either $x \in N$ or $f(x) \in [N:M]$. In [3] we study nearly prime as a generalization of prime submodules and they define a nearly prime submodules as follows: a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called nearly prime, if whenever $rx \in N$, $r \in R$, $x \in M$ implies either $x \in N + J(M)$ or $r \in [N + J(M):M]$.

In this article, we study Z -nearly prime submodules as generalization of Z -prime submodules, we give basic properties and we illustrate the relation between Z -nearly prime submodule and Z -prime submodule. It is clear that each Z -prime submodule is Z -nearly prime submodule, but the converse is not true in general. However, we gives a condition under which the two concepts one equivalent. And we study the Z -nearly prime submodules in other modules such as F -regular, injective, divisible, injective hull modules.

2. Z-Nearly Prime Submodules

In this section we define the concepts of Z -nearly prime submodule and investigate some properties. As generalization of Z -prime submodules,

Definition (2.1):

A proper submodule N of R -module M is called Z -nearly prime submodule of M if whenever $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x) \cdot x \in N$, then either $x \in N + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [N + J(M):M]$; $J(M)$ is the Jacobson radical of M . Specially, an ideal I of a ring R is Z -nearly prime ideal of R if and only if I is a Z -nearly prime submodule of R -module M .

Remarks and examples (2.2):

- 1) It clear that every Z -prime submodule N of an R -module M is Z -nearly prime submodule of M , but the converse is not true in general.
- 2) Let $M = Z \oplus Z$ as Z -module and consider the submodule $N = 2Z \oplus 0$ of $Z \oplus Z$, then N is not Z -nearly prime, since if we take $f: Z \oplus Z \rightarrow Z$, define by $f(n \cdot m = 2n, f(3, 0) = 6, f(0, 3) = 0, f(0, 0) = 0, f(0, 0) = 0$ but $6 \notin N + J(Z) = 0$ and $(3, 0) \notin N + J(Z)$, thus N is not Z -nearly prime submodule of Z as Z -module.
- 3) If $N = \langle 2 \rangle$, then N is Z -nearly prime submodule of Z as Z -module, where $J(Z) = 0$, $[N:Z] = \langle 2 \rangle$.
- 4) The direct sum of two Z -nearly prime submodules of an R -module M_1 and M_2 need not to be Z -nearly prime submodules of M_1 and M_2 for example: Let $M = Z \oplus Z$. Let $N_1 = 2Z$ is a Z -prime submodule of Z as Z -module, hence is Z -nearly prime and $N_2 = (0)$ is Z -prime, hence is Z -nearly prime but $2Z \oplus 0$ is not Z -nearly prime in $Z \oplus Z$, by (2).

Proposition (2.3):

If N is Z -nearly prime submodule of an R -module M , K is any proper submodule of M such that $K \not\subseteq N$ and $J(M) \subseteq K$, then $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime submodule in M

Proof:

Since $K \not\subseteq N$, then $N \cap K$ is a proper submodule in M . Let $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x) \cdot x \in N \cap K$. We want to prove either $x \in (N \cap K) + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [(N \cap K) + J(M):M]$, suppose that $x \notin (N \cap K) + J(M) = (N + J(M)) \cap K$, then $x \notin N + J(M)$, but N is Z -nearly prime of an R -module M , then $f(x) \in [N + J(M):M]$, then $f(x)M \subseteq N + J(M)$. Since $f(x) \cdot x \in N \cap K$, then $f(x)x \in K$, then $f(x)M \subseteq K$, thus $f(x)M \subseteq (N + J(M)) \cap K = (N \cap K) + J(M)$. Then $f(x) \in [(N \cap K) + J(M):M]$. Which implies that $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime in M .

Recall that a ring R is said to be a good ring if $J(R) \cdot M = J(M)$; where M is an R -module. [4]

Corollary (2.4):

Let R be a good ring and N be an R -module M , K be any proper submodule of M such that $K \not\subseteq N$, $J(K) = K$, then $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime in M

Proof:

Since $K \not\subseteq N$, then $N \cap K$ is a proper submodule in M . Since R be a good ring and $J(K) = K$, then $J(M) \subseteq K$, by above proposition $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime in M .

Proposition (2.5):

Let N and K be two Z -nearly prime submodules of M and either $J(M) \subseteq N$ or $J(M) \subseteq K$, then $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime of M

Proof:

Since $N \cap K \subseteq N$ and N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M , then $N \cap K$ is a proper submodule in M . Let $f \in M^* = Hom(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x).x \in N \cap K$. We want to show that either $x \in (N \cap K) + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [(N \cap K) + J(M):M]$, suppose that $f(x) \notin [(N \cap K) + J(M):M]$, then $f(x)M \not\subseteq (N \cap K) + J(M)$, then $f(x)M \not\subseteq N + J(M)$ and $f(x)M \not\subseteq K + J(M)$. Since N and K are two Z -nearly prime submodules of M , then either $x \in N + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [N + J(M):M]$, and either $x \in K + J(M)$ or $f(x) \in [K + J(M):M]$, then $x \in (N + J(M)) \cap (K + J(M))$. If $J(M) \subseteq N$, then $x \in N \cap (K + J(M))$, then $x \in (N \cap K) + J(M)$. If $J(M) \subseteq K$, then $x \in (N + J(M)) \cap K$, hence $x \in (N \cap K) + J(M)$, which implies that $N \cap K$ is Z -nearly prime of M .

Proposition(2.6):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M . If $[N + J(M):M]$ is a maximal ideal of R , then N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Let $f \in Hom(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x).x \in N$, if $f(x) \notin [N + J(M):M]$ and since $[N + J(M):M]$ is a maximal ideal of R , then $R = \langle f(x) \rangle + [N + J(M):M]$, where $\langle f(x) \rangle$ is an ideal of R generated by $f(x)$, hence there exists $s \in R$ and $k \in [N + J(M):M]$ and $1 = sf(x) + k$. Thus, $x = sf(x)x + kx \in N + J(M)$, therefore N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

The next example show that the converse of remark (2.2)(1) is not true.

Let $M = Z \oplus Z_{16}$ as Z -module, the submodule $N = Z \oplus (0)$ of M is not Z -prime, see [2], but it is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M , because $[N + J(M):M] = 2Z$ is a maximal ideal of Z and hence by proposition (2.6), $N = Z \oplus (0)$ is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M ; $J(M) = \{(0, \bar{0}), (0, \bar{2}), (0, \bar{4}), (0, \bar{6}), (0, \bar{8}), (0, \bar{10}), (0, \bar{12}), (0, \bar{14})\}$.

Proposition (2.7):

Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M such that $[K : M] \not\subseteq [N + J(M) : M]$ for each submodule K of M and $N + J(M) \subsetneq K$. If $[N + J(M) : M]$ is a prime ideal of R , then N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Let $f \in Hom(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x).x \in N$ and suppose $x \notin N + J(M)$. It is clear that the submodule $K = \langle x \rangle + [N + J(M)]$, and so $[K : M] \not\subseteq [N + J(M) : M]$. Then there exists $s \in [K : M]$ and $s \notin [N + J(M) : M]$. Thus, $sM \subseteq K$ and $sM \not\subseteq N + J(M)$. But $sM \subseteq K$

implies $f(x)sM \subseteq rK = f(x)[N + J(M) + \langle x \rangle] \subseteq N + J(M)$ and $f(x)s \in [N + J(M) : M]$. Since $[N + J(M) : M]$ is a prime ideal and $s \notin [N + J(M) : M]$, $f(x) \in [N + J(M) : M]$. Therefore N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proposition(2. 8):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M and $P = [N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle]$. If the ideal $[N + J(M) : \langle e \rangle] = P$, for each $e \in M$; $e \notin N + J(M)$, then N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Let $f \in Hom(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x).x \in N$ and suppose $x \notin N + J(M)$. Thus $f(x) \in [N + J(M) : \langle x \rangle]$. But $[N + J(M) : \langle x \rangle] = P$, so $f(x) \in P$. Therefore N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Now, we give the following lemma:

Lemma(2.9):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M . If the submodule $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$, for each $r \in R$, $r \notin P$, then the ideal $[N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle] = P$, for each $e \in M$; $e \notin N + J(M)$.

Proof:

Let $e \in M$; $e \notin N + J(M)$. It is clear that $P \subseteq [N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle]$. Let $r \in [N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle]$, then $re \in N + J(M)$. Suppose $r \notin P = [N + J(M) :_R M]$. Since $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$ and $e \in [N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle]$, so $e \in N + J(M)$, which contradicts our assumption. Thus, $r \in P$ for each $e \in M$ such that $e \notin N + J(M)$. Therefore $[N + J(M) : \langle e \rangle] = P$.

Corollary (2.10) :

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M and $P = [N + J(M) : M]$. If $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$, for each $r \in R$, then N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proposition (2.11):

Let M be an R -module and N be a submodule of M . If $[N + J(M) : M] = [N + J(M) : K]$ for each submodule K of M such that $K \supsetneq N + J(M)$, then N is Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Proof:

To prove N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of an R -module M . Let $f \in Hom(M, R)$, $x \in M$ such that $f(x).x \in N$ and suppose $x \notin N + J(M)$. Let $K = [N + J(M)] + \langle x \rangle \supsetneq N + J(M)$. Then $x \in K$ and so $(x) \in [N : K] \subseteq [N + J(M) : K] = [N + J(M) : M]$. It follows that $f(x) \in [N + J(M) : M]$ and hence N is Z -nearly prime submodule of M .

Now we state and prove the following lemma.

Lemma(2.12):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M . If the submodule $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$, for each $r \in R$, $r \notin P$, then the ideal $[N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle] = P$ for each $e \in M$; $e \notin N + J(M)$.

Proof:

Let $e \in M$; $e \notin N + J(M)$. It is clear that $P \subseteq [N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle]$. Let $r \in [N + J(M) :_R \langle e \rangle]$, then $re \in N + J(M)$. Suppose $r \notin P = [N + J(M) :_R M]$. Since $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$ and $e \in [N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle]$, so $e \in N + J(M)$ which contradicts our assumption. Thus, $r \in P$ for each $e \in M$ such that $e \notin N + J(M)$. Therefore $[N + J(M) : \langle e \rangle] = P$.

Corollary (2.13):

Let N be a submodule of an R -module M and $P = [N + J(M) : M]$. If $[N + J(M) :_M \langle r \rangle] = N + J(M)$, for each $r \in R$, then N is a nearly prime submodule of M .

3. Z-nearly Prime Submodules

In this section we study the Z -nearly prime submodules in others modules such as F -regular, Z -regular, injective, divisible, injective hull modules. First we need the following proposition:

Proposition(3.1):

If N is a Z -nearly Prime submodule of an R -module M and $J(M) = 0$, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

It is clear.

Recall that an R -module M is said to be F -regular if each submodule of M is pure, [5].

Corollary(3.2):

If N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of an R -module M and M is a F -regular, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since M is an F -regular R -module, so $J(M) = 0$, [7]. Hence the result follows by proposition (3.1).

Corollary (3.3):

If N is a Z -nearly Prime submodule of an R -module M and $R/ann(x)$ is an F -regular ring for every $0 \neq x \in M$, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since $R/ann(x)$ is a regular ring for every $0 \neq x \in M$, then M is an F -regular R -module by [7]. Hence the result follows by Corollary (3.2).

Recall that an R -module M is called Z -regular (for simplicity just regular) if $\forall m \in M, \exists L \in M^* = Hom(M, R)$ such that $L(m) = m$, [8].

Corollary(3.4):

If N is a Z -Prime submodule of Z -regular R -module M , then N is a prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since M is a Z -regular R -module, then M is a F -regular R -module by [7]. Hence the result follows by Corollary (3.2).

Corollary(3.5):

If N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of an R -module M and $J(N) = J(M) \cap N$ for each N submodule of M , then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof :

Since $J(N) = J(M) \cap N$, so $J(M) = 0$ by [6, proposition(1-33), p.22]. Hence the result follows by proposition (3.1).

Now, because of the fact R is good ring if and only if $J(N) = J(M) \cap N$ for each submodule N of an R -module M , [4]. Then the following is a consequence of corollary(3.5).

Corollary(3.6):

If N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of an R -module M and R is a good ring, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since R is a good ring, then $J(N) = J(M) \cap N$ for each submodule N of M by [9]. Therefore, $J(M) = 0$ by [6, proposition(1-33), p.22] and hence N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Recall that an R -module M is called divisible if and only if $rM = M, \forall 0 \neq r \in R$, [4].

By using this concept, we have the following:

Proposition(3.7):

Let R is PID and M is a divisible R -module such that $J(M) \neq M$. If N is a Z -nearly prime submodule of M , then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof :

Since M is a divisible R -module and $J(M) \neq M$, so $J(M) = 0$ by [6, proposition(1-4), p.12]. Hence the result follows immediately from proposition (3.1).

Corollary(3.8):

Let M be an injective define on an integral domain R and $J(M) \neq M$. If N is a Z -nearly Prime submodule, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since M is an injective R -module, so M is a divisible R -module by, [4]. But $J(M) \neq M$, so $J(M) = 0$ by, [6, proposition(1-4), p.12]. Hence the result follows immediately from proposition(3.1).

Recall that a submodule N of an R -module M is said to be essential, if has non-trivial intersection with every non-zero submodule of M , [4].

Recall that an R -module M is called an injective hull or injective envelope of a module M if it is an essential extension of M and an injective module, [4].

By using this concept, we can give the following result:

Corollary(3.9)

Let M be an injective hull on an integral domain R and $(M) \neq M$. If N is a Z -nearlyPrime submodule, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof :

Since M is an injective hull R -module, so M is an injective and hence M is a divisible R -module by [4]. But $J(M) \neq M$, so $J(M) = 0$ by [6, proposition(1-4), p.12]. Hence the result follows immediately from proposition(3.1).

Corollary(3.10):

Let M has no proper essential extensions R - module and $J(M) \neq M$. If N is a Z -nearly Prime submodule, then N is a Z -prime submodule of M .

Proof:

Since M has no proper essential extensions R -module, so M is an injective by [4] and hence M is a divisible R -module by [4]. But $J(M) \neq M$, so $J(M) = 0$ by [6, proposition(1-4), p.12]. Hence the result follows immediately from proposition(3.1).

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