

## ON JOINTLY PRIME RADICALS OF $(R,S)$ -MODULES

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**Abstract.** Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. In this paper a generalization of the  $m$ -system set of modules to  $(R, S)$ -modules is given. Then for an  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , we define  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  as the set of  $a \in M$  such that every  $m$ -system containing  $a$  meets  $N$ . It is shown that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  is the intersection of all jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$  containing  $N$ . We define jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  as  $rad_{(R,S)}(M) = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{0}$ . Then we present some properties of jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module.

*Key words and Phrases:*  $(R, S)$ -module, jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule,  $m$ -system, prime radical.

**Abstrak.** Diberikan  $(R, S)$ -modul  $M$ . Dalam tulisan ini didefinisikan himpunan sistem- $m$  pada suatu  $(R, S)$ -modul sebagai perumuman dari himpunan sistem- $m$  suatu modul. Didefinisikan  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  sebagai himpunan semua  $a \in M$  yang memenuhi sifat setiap sistem- $m$  yang memuat  $a$  irisannya dengan  $N$  tidak kosong, untuk suatu  $(R, S)$ -submodul  $N$  di  $M$ . Dapat ditunjukkan bahwa  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  merupakan irisan dari semua  $(R, S)$ -submodul prima gabungan di  $M$  yang memuat  $N$ . Didefinisikan radikal prima gabungan dari  $(R, S)$ -modul  $M$  sebagai himpunan  $rad_{(R,S)}(M) = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{0}$ . Kemudian, dalam tulisan ini disajikan beberapa sifat dari radikal prima gabungan suatu  $(R, S)$ -modul.

*Kata kunci:*  $(R, S)$ -modul,  $(R, S)$ -submodul prima gabungan, sistem- $m$ , radikal prima.

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## 1. Introduction

All rings in this paper are arbitrary ring unless stated otherwise. Let  $R$  and  $S$  be arbitrary rings. Khumprapussorn et al. in [3] introduced  $(R, S)$ -modules as a generalization of  $(R, S)$ -bimodules. An  $(R, S)$ -module has an  $(R, S)$ -bimodule structure when both rings  $R$  and  $S$  have central idempotent elements.

In their paper, Khumprapussorn et al. also defined  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$  as additive subgroups  $N$  of  $M$  such that  $rns \in N$  for all  $r \in R$ ,  $n \in N$ , and  $s \in S$ . Moreover, a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P$  of  $M$  is called a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule if for each left ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , right ideal  $J$  of  $S$ , and  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ ,  $INJ \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $N \subseteq P$ .

A jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P$  of  $M$  is called a minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule if it is minimal in the class of jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ . Based on Goodearl and Warfield [2], we show that every jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  contains a minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule.

Let  $T$  be a ring with unity. Lam [4] has defined that a nonempty set  $J \subseteq T$  is said to be an  $m$ -system if for each pair  $a, b \in J$ , there exists  $t \in T$  such that  $atb \in J$ . Furthermore, for an ideal  $I$  of  $T$ , the set  $\sqrt{I} := \{a \in T \mid (\forall \text{ m-system } J \text{ of } T) a \in J \Rightarrow J \cap I \neq \emptyset\}$  equals to the intersection of all the prime ideals of  $T$  containing  $I$ . Based on this definition, Behboodi [1] has generalized the definition of  $m$ -system of unitary rings to modules. Let  $M$  be an unitary module over a ring  $T$ . A nonempty set  $X \subseteq M \setminus \{0\}$  is called an  $m$ -system if for each (left) ideal  $I$  of  $T$  and for all submodules  $K, L$  of  $M$ ,  $(K+L) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $(K+IM) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  imply  $(K+IL) \cap X \neq \emptyset$ . It has been shown that the complement of a prime submodule is an  $m$ -system, and for any  $m$ -system  $X$ , a submodule disjoint from  $X$  and maximal with respect to this property is always a prime submodule. Moreover, for a submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , the set  $\sqrt{N} := \{a \in M \mid (\forall \text{ m-system } X \text{ of } M) a \in X \Rightarrow X \cap N \neq \emptyset\}$  equals to the intersection of all prime submodules of  $M$  containing  $N$ .

In Section 2, we extend these facts to  $(R, S)$ -modules. In fact, we give a generalization of the notion of  $m$ -systems of modules to  $(R, S)$ -modules. Then for an  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , we define  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} := \{a \in M \mid (\forall \text{ m-system } X \text{ of } M) a \in X \Rightarrow X \cap N \neq \emptyset\}$ . And then we define jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  as  $rad_{(R,S)}(M) = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{0}$ . It is shown that  $rad_{(R,S)}(M)$  is the intersection of all jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$  (note that, if  $M$  has no any jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule, then  $rad_{(R,S)}(M) := M$ ). In Section 3, we present some properties of jointly prime radicals of  $(R, S)$ -modules. These properties are as follows: every jointly prime radicals of  $(R, S)$ -submodules is contained in a jointly prime radical of its  $(R, S)$ -module; jointly prime radicals of  $(R, S)$ -modules  $M$  is either equal to  $M$  or the intersection of all minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ ; and jointly prime radicals of quotient  $(R, S)$ -modules  $M/rad_{(R,S)}(M)$  is zero.

## 2. Jointly Prime Radicals of $(R, S)$ -Modules

Before we define  $m$ -systems of an  $(R, S)$ -module, we describe first the jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule. As we have already stated earlier, a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P$  of  $M$  is called a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule if for each left ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , right ideal  $J$  of  $S$ , and  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ ,  $INJ \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $N \subseteq P$ . The following are some characterizations of jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules given in [3].

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module satisfying  $a \in RaS$  for all  $a \in M$ , and  $P$  a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule.
- (2) For every right ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $m \in M$ , and left ideal  $J$  of  $S$ ,  $ImJ \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $m \in P$ .
- (3) For every right ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , and left ideal  $J$  of  $S$ ,  $INJ \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $N \subseteq P$ .
- (4) For every left ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $m \in M$ , and right ideal  $J$  of  $S$ ,  $(IR)m(SJ) \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $m \in P$ .
- (5) For every  $a \in R$ ,  $m \in M$ , and  $b \in S$ ,  $(aR)m(Sb) \subseteq P$  implies  $aMb \subseteq P$  or  $m \in P$ .

If the  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  satisfies  $M = RMS$ , the necessary and sufficient condition for a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P$  of  $M$  to be a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule is for all ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , ideal  $J$  of  $S$ , and  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ ,  $INJ \subseteq P$  implies  $IMJ \subseteq P$  or  $N \subseteq P$ .

Now, we define the notion of  $m$ -systems of  $(R, S)$ -modules.

**Definition 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. A nonempty set  $X \subseteq M \setminus \{0\}$  is called an  $m$ -system if for each left ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , right ideal  $J$  of  $S$ , and  $(R, S)$ -submodules  $K, L$  of  $M$ ,  $(K + L) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $(K + IMJ) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  imply  $(K + ILJ) \cap X \neq \emptyset$ .*

Based on Behboodi [1], we can show that the complement of a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule is an  $m$ -system.

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $P$  be a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  if and only if  $X = M \setminus P$  is an  $m$ -system.*

PROOF.  $(\Rightarrow)$ . Suppose that  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Let  $I$  be a left ideal of  $R$ ,  $J$  be a right ideal of  $S$ , and  $K, L$  be  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$  such that  $(K + L) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $(K + IMJ) \cap X \neq \emptyset$ . If  $(K + ILJ) \cap X = \emptyset$ , then  $K + ILJ \subseteq P$ . Then,  $ILJ \subseteq P$  and  $K \subseteq P$ . Since  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , we have  $L \subseteq P$  or  $IMJ \subseteq P$ . Thus  $(K + L) \cap X = \emptyset$  or  $(K + IMJ) \cap X = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $X$  is an  $m$ -system of  $M$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$ . Suppose that  $X$  is an  $m$ -system of  $M$ . Let  $I$  be a left ideal of  $R$ ,  $J$  be a right ideal of  $S$ , and  $L$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  such that  $ILJ \subseteq P$ . If  $L \not\subseteq P$  and  $IMJ \not\subseteq P$ , then  $L \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $IMJ \cap X \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $X$  is an  $m$ -system,  $ILJ \cap X \neq \emptyset$  so that  $ILJ \not\subseteq P$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.4.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the ring of integers taken as an  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 3\mathbb{Z})$ -module. First, we show that  $6\mathbb{Z}$  is a jointly prime  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 3\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Consider a left ideal  $I = (2m)\mathbb{Z}$  of  $2\mathbb{Z}$ , a right ideal  $J = (3n)\mathbb{Z}$  of  $3\mathbb{Z}$ , and an  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 3\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule  $N = k\mathbb{Z}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , for some  $m, n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is true that  $INJ = ((2m)\mathbb{Z})(k\mathbb{Z})((3n)\mathbb{Z}) = (6mkn)\mathbb{Z} \subseteq 6\mathbb{Z}$  and  $N = k\mathbb{Z} \not\subseteq 6\mathbb{Z}$ . Then for each  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it is clear that  $I\mathbb{Z}J = ((2m)\mathbb{Z})(\mathbb{Z})((3n)\mathbb{Z}) = (6mn)\mathbb{Z} \subseteq 6\mathbb{Z}$ . Hence,  $6\mathbb{Z}$  is a jointly prime  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 3\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore,  $\mathbb{Z} \setminus 6\mathbb{Z}$  is an  $m$ -system of  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 3\mathbb{Z})$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

It is easy to prove that every maximal  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule. Furthermore, we prove a proposition that states that a maximal  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P$  of  $M$  which is disjoint from an arbitrary  $m$ -system of  $M$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule.

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module,  $X$  an  $m$ -system of  $M$ , and  $P$  a proper  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  maximal with respect to the property that  $P \cap X = \emptyset$ . Then,  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ .

PROOF. Let  $I$  be a left ideal of  $R$ ,  $J$  a right ideal of  $S$ , and  $N$  an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  such that  $INJ \subseteq P$ . Suppose that  $N \not\subseteq P$  and  $IMJ \not\subseteq P$ . Since  $P$  is maximal with respect to the property that  $P \cap X = \emptyset$ , we have  $(P + N) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $(P + IMJ) \cap X \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $X$  is an  $m$ -system of  $M$ , then  $(P + INJ) \cap X \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $INJ \subseteq P$ , it follows that  $P \cap X \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $P$  must be a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ .  $\square$

We recall the set introduced by Behboodi in [1],

$$\sqrt{N} := \{a \in M \mid (\forall m\text{-system } X \text{ of } M) a \in X \Rightarrow X \cap N \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Now, we present a generalization of the notion of  $\sqrt{N}$  for any  $(R, S)$ -submodules  $N$  of  $M$  and we denote it as  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. For an  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N$  of  $M$ , if there is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule containing  $N$ , then we define  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} := \{a \in M \mid (\forall m\text{-system } X \text{ of } M) a \in X \Rightarrow X \cap N \neq \emptyset\}$ . If there is no jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules containing  $N$ , then we define  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} := M$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. Then, the jointly prime spectrum of  $M$  is the set  $Spec^{jp}(M) := \{P \mid P \text{ is a jointly prime } (R, S)\text{-submodule of } M\}$ . If  $N$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , then we define  $V^{jp}(N) := \{P \in Spec^{jp}(M) \mid N \subseteq P\}$ . Next, we show that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  equals to the intersection of all jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module and  $N$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then either  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = M$  or  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ .

PROOF. Suppose that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} \neq M$ . It follows from Definition 2.6 that  $V^{jp}(N) \neq \emptyset$ . We will show that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ . Let  $m \in {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  and  $P \in V^{jp}(N)$ .

Consider the  $m$ -system  $X := M \setminus P$  in  $M$ . Since  $N \subseteq P$ , we have  $X \cap N = \emptyset$ . Consequently, we get  $m \notin X$  so that  $m \in P$ . Thus, we obtain  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} \subseteq \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ .

Conversely, let  $a \in \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ . If  $a \notin {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ , then there exists an  $m$ -system  $X$  such that  $a \in X$  but  $N \cap X = \emptyset$ . Consider the following set:

$$\mathfrak{J} = \{J \mid N \subseteq J, J \text{ is an } (R, S)\text{-submodule of } M \text{ and } J \cap X = \emptyset\}.$$

By Zorn's Lemma,  $\mathfrak{J}$  has a maximal element, which is an  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $K \supseteq N$  maximal with respect to the property  $K \cap X = \emptyset$ . By Proposition 2.5,  $K$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , so  $K \in V^{jp}(N)$ . Therefore, we have  $a \in K$ . Whereas  $a \in X$ , so we get  $K \cap X \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $a \in {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$  and it follows that  $\bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P \subseteq {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ . Hence,  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.8.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be an  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -module and  $8\mathbb{Z}$  be an  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . We obtain the set  $V^{jp}(8\mathbb{Z}) = \{P \in \text{Spec}^{jp}(\mathbb{Z}) \mid 8\mathbb{Z} \subseteq P\} = \{2\mathbb{Z}, 4\mathbb{Z}\}$ . Therefore,  ${}^{(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})}\sqrt{8\mathbb{Z}} = \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(8\mathbb{Z})} P = 4\mathbb{Z} \cap 2\mathbb{Z} = 4\mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $I$  be an ideal of an unitary ring  $T$ . By Lam [4],  $\sqrt{I}$  is equal to  $T$  or the intersection of all prime ideals of  $T$  containing  $I$ . From Khumprapussorn et al. [3], we know that the annihilator from  $M/N$  of the ring  $R$ , that is  $(N : M)_R := \{r \in R \mid rMS \subseteq N\}$ , is an ideal of  $R$  when the ring  $S$  satisfies  $S^2 = S$ . Therefore, when  $S^2 = S$ ,  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R}$  is equal to  $R$  or the intersection of all prime ideals of  $R$  containing  $(N : M)_R$ . Next, we present a connection between  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R MS}$  and  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ .

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module and  $N$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . If  $S^2 = S$ , then  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R MS} \subseteq {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ .

PROOF. Since  $S^2 = S$ , by [3]  $(N : M)_R$  is an ideal of  $R$ . Also  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R}$  is equal to  $R$  or equal to the intersection of all prime ideals of  $R$  that contain  $(N : M)_R$ . Suppose that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = M$ . Since  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R} \subseteq R$ , so

$$\sqrt{(N : M)_R MS} \subseteq RMS \subseteq M = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}.$$

Suppose that  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} \neq M$ . Then  ${}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N} = \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P$ . Let  $P \in V^{jp}(N)$ , then  $P$

is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  and  $N \subseteq P$ . Moreover, by Proposition 2.12 of [3],  $(P : M)_R$  is a prime ideal of  $R$ . Furthermore, since  $N \subseteq P$ , it is clear that  $(N : M)_R \subseteq (P : M)_R$ . Since  $(P : M)_R$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  and contains  $(N : M)_R$ , we obtain

$$\sqrt{(N : M)_R} \subseteq (P : M)_R.$$

Thus,

$$\sqrt{(N : M)_R MS} \subseteq (P : M)_R MS \subseteq P.$$

Therefore, this shows that  $\sqrt{(N : M)_R}MS \subseteq \bigcap_{P \in V^{jp}(N)} P = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{N}$ .  $\square$

The definition of jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module is given below.

**Definition 2.10.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. If there is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , then we define jointly prime radicals of  $M$  as:*

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = {}^{(R,S)}\sqrt{0} := \bigcap_{P \in \text{Spec}^{jp}(M)} P.$$

If there is no jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , then we define jointly prime radicals of  $M$  as  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) := M$ .

**Example 2.11.** *Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be an  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -module. It is easy to show that  $\{0\}$  is a jointly prime  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Since every jointly prime  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{Z}$  contains  $\{0\}$ , then jointly prime radical of  $(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$  is  $\text{rad}_{(2\mathbb{Z}, 2\mathbb{Z})}(\mathbb{Z}) = \{0\}$ .*

### 3. Some Properties of Jointly Prime Radicals of $(R, S)$ -Modules

In this section, we present some properties of jointly prime radicals of  $(R, S)$ -modules. Let  $N$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . We show that the jointly prime radical of  $N$  is contained in the jointly prime radical of  $M$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $N$  be an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then,  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ .*

PROOF. Let  $P \in \text{Spec}^{jp}(M)$ . If  $N \subseteq P$  then  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N) \subseteq P$ . If  $N \not\subseteq P$  then it is easy to check that  $N \cap P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $N$ , and hence  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N) \subseteq N \cap P \subseteq P$ . So, in any case we get  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N) \subseteq P$ . Thus, it follows that  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ .  $\square$

In module theory, we know that if  $T$ -module  $M$  is a direct sum of its submodules then the prime radicals of  $M$  is also a direct sum of prime radicals of its submodules. Evidently, this property is still maintained on  $(R, S)$ -modules  $M$  when  $M$  satisfies  $a \in RaS$  for all  $a \in M$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module and  $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a collection of  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ . If  $M$  satisfies  $a \in RaS$  for all  $a \in M$  and  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$  then we*

*have  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i)$ .*

PROOF. Since each  $N_i$  is an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ , we get  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  for each  $i \in I$ . Thus, it follows that

$$\bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M). \quad (1)$$

Now, let  $m \in M$ . Then,  $m = \sum_{i \in I} m_i$  with  $m_i \in N_i$  for each  $i \in I$  and  $m_i = 0$  except for finitely many indices  $i \in I$ . Suppose that  $m \notin \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i)$ . We will prove that  $m \notin \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ . Since  $m \notin \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i)$ , then there exists  $k \in I$  such that  $m_k \notin \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_k)$ . Thus, there exists a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $N_k^*$  of  $N_k$  such that  $m_k \notin N_k^*$ . Consider  $K = N_k^* \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{i \neq k} N_i \right)$ . First, we prove that  $K$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Let  $I$  be a right ideal of  $R$ ,  $J$  be a left ideal of  $S$ , and  $a \in M$  such that  $IaJ \subseteq K$ . Since  $M$  satisfies  $a \in RaS$  for all  $a \in M$ , then based on Theorem 2.1 we will prove that  $IMJ \subseteq K$  or  $a \in K$ . Since  $a \in M$ ,  $a = \sum_{i \in I} a_i$  where  $a_i \in N_i$  for each  $i \in I$  and  $a_i = 0$  except for finitely many indices  $i \in I$ . Thus we get  $IaJ = I \left( \sum_{i \in I} a_i \right) J = Ia_k J + I \left( \sum_{i \neq k} a_i \right) J \subseteq K$ , so that  $Ia_k J \subseteq N_k^*$ . Since  $N_k^*$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $N_k$ , we have  $IN_k J \subseteq N_k^*$  or  $a_k \in N_k^*$ . Since  $a_i \in N_i$  for each  $i \in I$ ,  $\sum_{i \neq k} a_i \in \bigoplus_{i \neq k} N_i$ . Since for all  $i \in I$ ,  $N_i$  is an  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ ,  $I \left( \bigoplus_{i \neq k} N_i \right) J \subseteq \bigoplus_{i \neq k} N_i$ . Thus, it follows that  $a = \sum_{i \in I} a_i \in K$  or  $I \left( \bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i \right) J = IMJ \subseteq K$ . Hence,  $K$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Furthermore, because  $m_k \notin N_k^*$  then  $m \notin K$ . Since  $K$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ ,  $m \notin \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ . Thus, it follows that

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) \subseteq \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i). \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we obtain  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \bigoplus_{i \in I} \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(N_i)$ .  $\square$

It is easy to show that every jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  contains a minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Based on this property, we get a relationship between jointly prime radicals of  $(R, S)$ -modules and minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules.

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. The jointly prime radical of  $M$  is equal to  $M$  or the intersection of all minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ .*

PROOF. Since every jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  contains a minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule then for each  $P \in \text{Spec}^{j_p}(M)$  there exists a minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule  $P' \in \text{Spec}^{j_p}(M)$  such that  $P' \subseteq P$ . Furthermore, we can form the set:

$$\mathfrak{S} = \{P' \mid P' \text{ is a minimal jointly prime } (R, S)\text{-submodule}\}.$$

Suppose that  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) \neq M$ . We will prove that  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \bigcap_{P' \in \mathfrak{S}} P'$ . Since  $\mathfrak{S} \subseteq \text{Spec}^{j_p}(M)$ , we get  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) \subseteq \bigcap_{P' \in \mathfrak{S}} P'$ . On the other hand, for any

$P \in \text{Spec}^{jp}(M)$  there is  $P^* \in \mathfrak{S}$  with  $P^* \subseteq P$ . Thus  $\bigcap_{P' \in \mathfrak{S}} P' \subseteq P^* \subseteq P$ , which implies that  $\bigcap_{P' \in \mathfrak{S}} P' \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ . Hence  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \bigcap_{P' \in \mathfrak{S}} P'$ . Therefore, this shows that  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  is equal to the intersection of all minimal jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ .  $\square$

Now, we give an important lemma which will be used in the proof of the next property of jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module.

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ , and let  $P_1/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  and  $P_2/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  be  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ . Then,*

$$P_1/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) \cap P_2/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = (P_1 \cap P_2)/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M).$$

Given an  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  and  $(R, S)$ -submodules  $A, P$  of  $M$  with  $A \subset P$ . Then, it is easy to check that the necessary and sufficient condition for  $P$  to be a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  is  $P/A$  being a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M/A$ . By using this property, we can show that the jointly prime radical of the quotient  $(R, S)$ -module  $M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  is zero.

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module. Then,*

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}\left(M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)\right) = \bar{0}.$$

PROOF. Suppose that  $M$  has no jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules, then we get that quotient  $(R, S)$ -modules  $M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  also has no jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules. Thus,  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = M$  and then we obtain

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}\left(M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)\right) = \text{rad}_{(R,S)}\left(M/M\right) = \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(\bar{0}) = \bar{0}.$$

Suppose that  $M$  has a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule, then we obtain that quotient  $(R, S)$ -module  $M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  also has a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule. From the definition,

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}\left(M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)\right) = \bigcap_{\bar{P} \in \text{Spec}^{jp}\left(M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)\right)} \bar{P}.$$

Since Lemma 3.4 can be generalized for infinite number of  $P_i$  jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodules of  $M$ , then we get

$$\bigcap_{\bar{P} \in \text{Spec}^{jp}\left(M/\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)\right)} \bar{P} = \left( \bigcap_{P \in \text{Spec}^{jp}(M)} P \right) / \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M).$$



So,

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}\left(\frac{M}{\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)}\right) = \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) / \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \bar{0}.$$

Hence, it's proved that  $\text{rad}_T\left(\frac{M}{\text{rad}_T(M)}\right) = \bar{0}$ .  $\square$

Given an  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  and an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  such that  $I \subseteq \text{Ann}_R(M)$ . We can show that an  $(R, S)$ -module  $M$  is also an  $(R/I, S)$ -module under the scalar multiplication operation that defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \cdot \cdot : R/I \times M \times S &\longrightarrow M \\ (\bar{a}, m, s) &\longrightarrow \bar{a} \cdot m \cdot s := \text{ams} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\bar{a} \in R/I$ ,  $m \in M$ , and  $s \in S$ .

Moreover, it is easy to check that  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$  if and only if  $P$  is a jointly prime  $(R/I, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $M$  be an  $(R, S)$ -module and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$  such that  $I \subseteq \text{Ann}_R(M)$ . Then,  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M)$ .*

PROOF. Let  $a \in \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$  and  $P$  be a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then,  $a \in P$ . Since  $P$  is also a jointly prime  $(R/I, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ ,  $a \in \text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M)$ . Thus, we obtain

$$\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M). \quad (3)$$

Furthermore, let  $b \in \text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M)$  and  $N$  a jointly prime  $(R/I, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ . Then,  $b \in N$ . Since  $N$  is also a jointly prime  $(R, S)$ -submodule of  $M$ ,  $b \in \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M)$ . Thus, we get

$$\text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M) \subseteq \text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M). \quad (4)$$

Based on (3) and (4), it's proved that  $\text{rad}_{(R,S)}(M) = \text{rad}_{(R/I,S)}(M)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Concluding Remarks

Further work on the properties of jointly prime radicals of an  $(R, S)$ -module can be carried out. For example, the investigation of properties of jointly prime radicals can be done on any left multiplication  $(R, S)$ -module. The concept of left multiplication  $(R, S)$ -modules has been described by Khumrapussorn et al. [3].

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