

# On the Structure of a Radical of Lattice-Ordered Rings<sup>\*</sup>

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**Abstract** We describe the P-radical and the  $l$ -B radical of an  $l$ -ring from a different angle and obtain the structure theorem of  $l$ -Q semisimple rings. Furthermore,  $l$ -Q radical rings are discussed. Lastly, we consider the  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R_n)$  of a full  $l$ -matrix  $l$ -ring  $R_n$  over an  $l$ -ring  $R$ . We show that  $Q(R_n) = (Q(R))_n$ .

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## 1 Introduction

In this paper we discuss the P-radical of a lattice-ordered ring ( $l$ -ring) anew from a different angle using the concept of  $l$ -quasi nilpotent ideal ( $l$ -Q ideal), and obtain the structure and some properties of the P-radical.

We first collect some basic definitions and properties of  $l$ -rings in [2- 5]. Throughout this paper  $R$  will denote an  $l$ -ring if not specified.  $R^+ = \{a \in R : a \geq 0\}$ . Let  $S$  be an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  generated by the subset  $S$  of  $R$ . We use the term  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal instead of prime  $l$ -ideal given in [4, Definition 2.1]. An  $l$ -ideal  $P$  of  $R$  is  $l$ -prime if  $I \subseteq P$  or  $J \subseteq P$  whenever  $I$  and  $J$  are  $l$ -ideals of  $R$  with  $IJ \subseteq P$ ; a nonzero  $l$ -ring  $R$  is  $l$ -prime if  $\{0\}$  is an  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal; the P-radical of  $R$  is the intersection of all  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideals of  $R$  (see [4, Definition 2.1 and 2.8]). The product of two (left, right, two-sided)  $l$ -ideals  $A, B$  of  $R$  is the (left, right, two-sided)  $l$ -ideal  $AB$  of  $R$ , where  $AB = \{c \in R : |c| \leq ab, a \in A, b \in B\}$  [5, p169]. An  $l$ -homomorphism ( $l$ -isomorphism) between two  $l$ -rings is a mapping which is a ring and lattice homomorphism (isomorphism).

**Proposition 1.1** (1) Let an  $l$ -ring  $R^+$  be an  $l$ -homomorphic image of  $R$  ( $R \cong R^+$ ),  $A$  an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then  $R^+ = R/\ker \varphi$  and  $\varphi(A) = (A + \ker \varphi)/\ker \varphi$ . Moreover, if  $A \supseteq \ker \varphi$ , then  $R/A \cong R^+/\varphi(A)$ .

(2) Let  $S$  be an  $l$ -subring of  $R$ ,  $A$  an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then  $(S + A)/A \cong S/(S \cap A)$ .

(3) Let  $M$  be an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then any  $l$ -ideal of  $R/M$  has the form  $A/M$  where  $A$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  containing  $M$ , and  $R/A \cong (R/M)/(A/M)$ .

(4) Let  $A$  be a left (right)  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , and  $T$  an  $l$ -ideal of  $A$ , then  $AT = \{c \in R : |c| \leq at, a \in A, t \in T\}$  ( $TA = \{c \in R : |c| \leq ta, a \in A, t \in T\}$ ) is a left (right)  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ .

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## 2 $l$ -Q ideals and the $l$ -Q radical of an $l$ -ring

In this section some important properties of  $l$ -Q ideals, the  $l$ -Q radical of an  $l$ -ring are discussed. It is shown that the  $l$ -Q radical coincides with the  $l$ -B radical.

**Definition 2.1** A left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is called a left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ , if for any  $l$ -ideal  $M$  of  $R$ ,  $A^* = (A + M)/M \setminus \{0^*\}$  implies that  $A^*$  contains a nonzero nilpotent left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -ideal of  $R^* = R/M$ .

An  $l$ -Q ideal may not be nilpotent, [5, Example 3.19] forms a case in point.

**Proposition 2.1** (1) Any nonzero  $l$ -Q ideal  $A$  of  $R$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ .

(2) A nilpotent  $l$ -ideal is an  $l$ -Q ideal.

(3) Let  $A$  be an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ ,  $M$  an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then  $(A + M)/M$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R/M$ .

Similar results can be stated for left (respectively right)  $l$ -ideals.

**Proposition 2.2** (1) A left (right)  $l$ -Q ideal  $A$  of  $R$  can be embedded in an  $l$ -Q ideal  $A + A R$  ( $A + R A$ ) of  $R$ .

(2) Suppose  $A$  and  $B/A$  are  $l$ -Q ideals of  $R$  and  $R/A$  respectively, then  $B$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ .

(3) Any sum of  $l$ -Q ideals of  $R$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ . In particular, the sum of all  $l$ -Q ideals of  $R$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ .

Since the  $l$ -radical  $N(R)$  of  $R$  is the union of all the nilpotent  $l$ -ideals of  $R$  ([3, Th. 5]),  $l$ -radical is an  $l$ -Q ideal by Proposition 2.1 (2) and Proposition 2.2 (3). However,  $N(R)$  may not be nilpotent, as is shown by [5, Example 3.19]. This example also shows that nilpotent and  $l$ -quasi nilpotent are different in general.

**Definition 2.2** The sum  $Q(R)$  of all  $l$ -Q ideals of  $R$  is called the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R$ . If  $Q(R) = R$ , then  $R$  is called an  $l$ -Q radical ring; if  $Q(R) = \{0\}$ , then  $R$  is called an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring.

**Theorem 2.1** (1) The  $l$ -Q radical of  $R$  is the largest  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ , and contains all left (and right)  $l$ -Q ideals and left (and right) nilpotent  $l$ -ideals of  $R$ .

(2)  $R/Q(R)$  is an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring.

(3)  $R$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring if and only if every nonzero  $l$ -homomorphic image of  $R$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal.

**Proof** It follows immediately from Proposition 2.2 and 2.1.

**Definition 2.3** We define in  $R$  an  $l$ -ideal  $N(v)$  for every ordinal number  $v$  as follows

(i)  $N(0) = \{0\}$ .

Let us assume that  $N(v)$  is already defined for every  $v < u$ .

(ii) If  $u = v + 1$  is not a limit ordinal number,  $N(u)/N(v)$  is the sum of all nilpotent  $l$ -ideals of  $R/N(v)$ .

(iii) If  $u$  is a limit ordinal number,  $N(u) = \bigcup_{v < u} N(v)$ .

Since every  $l$ -ring is a set, for every  $l$ -ring there exists an ordinal number  $w$  with  $N(w) = N(w + 1)$ . We denote this  $l$ -ideal  $N(w)$  of  $R$  by  $B(R)$ , which is called the Baer radical (also  $l$ -B radical) of  $R$ .  $B(R)$  is characterized by the fact that  $R/B(R)$  has no nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideals and  $B(R)$  is the smallest  $l$ -ideal in our chain that gives such a factor  $l$ -ring.

If  $B(R) = \{0\}$ , then we say that  $R$  is an  $l$ -B semisimple ring; if  $B(R) = R$ , then we say that  $R$  is an  $l$ -B radical ring.

Part (2) of the next Proposition follows from Proposition 2.1 (1) and (2).

**Proposition 2.3** (1) The  $l$ -B radical  $B(R)$  of  $R$  is a nil  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , and  $R/B(R)$  is an  $l$ -B semisimple ring.

(2)  $R$  is an  $l$ -B semisimple ring if and only if  $R$  is an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring.

**Theorem 2.2** The  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R)$  coincides with the  $l$ -B radical  $B(R)$  of  $R$ , this implies that  $R$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring if and only if  $R$  is an  $l$ -B radical ring.

**Proof** It is easy to prove that  $Q(R) = B(R)$  via transfinite induction.

From [5, Example 3.19] we already know that the union  $N(R)$  of all the nilpotent  $l$ -ideals of  $R$  may not be nilpotent, although it must be nil. Furthermore, [3, p46, Example 8] shows that  $R/N(R)$  may have nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideals. It also shows that the  $l$ -Q radical and the  $l$ -radical of  $R$  are in general, different.

For  $d$ -rings a much stronger statement can be made.

An  $f$ -ring is an  $l$ -ring in which

$$a \cdot b = 0 \text{ and } c \geq 0 \text{ imply } ca \cdot b = ac \cdot b = 0$$

An important identity satisfied by any  $f$ -ring is  $|xy| = |x| \cdot |y|$  ([3, p57, Corollary 1]). An  $l$ -ring satisfying this identity is usually called a distributive  $l$ -ring or  $d$ -ring. So any  $f$ -ring is a  $d$ -ring, but there is a  $d$ -ring which is not an  $f$ -ring ([3, p59]).

**Theorem 2.3** If  $R$  is a  $d$ -ring, then the  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R)$  of  $R$  is the set of all nilpotent elements of  $R$ .

**Proof** Let  $\bar{R} = R/Q(R)$ . Clearly  $\bar{R}$  is a  $d$ -ring. Suppose that  $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}^+$  and  $\bar{a}\bar{R} = \bar{0}$ . Then  $\bar{a} \in N(\bar{R}) \subseteq Q(\bar{R}) = \{0\}$  by the definition of  $l$ -radical  $N(R)$  [3, p45, Definition] and Theorem 2.1 (2). Hence  $\bar{R}$  is an  $f$ -ring by [3, p58-59, Lemma 1 and Theorem 14]. Suppose that  $x \in R$  and  $x^n = 0$ . Then  $\bar{x}^n = \bar{0}$  and  $\bar{x} \in N(\bar{R}) = Q(\bar{R}) = \{0\}$  by [3, p63, Theorem 16]. Thus  $x \in Q(R)$ .

**Corollary** If  $R$  is a  $d$ -ring, then  $R/Q(R)$  is an  $f$ -ring.

### 3 The P- radical of $R$ and $l$ -Q semisimple rings

In this section we give a comprehensive characterization of the P-radical introduced in [4] and show the structure theorem of  $l$ -Q semisimple rings. In order to do this we need the following

**Definition 3.1**  $R$  is called an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ring, if  $R$  contains no nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal; an  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is called an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideal, if  $R/A$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ring.

A useful proposition follows directly from Proposition 2.3 and this definition.

**Proposition 3.1** *The following statements are equivalent*

- (1)  $R$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  semisimple ring.
- (2)  $R$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{B}$  semisimple ring.
- (3)  $R$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ring.

We may characterize  $\mathcal{Q}(R)$  as follows

**Theorem 3.1** *The  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical  $\mathcal{Q}(R)$  of  $R$  coincides with the intersection of all  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideals  $A_\alpha$  of  $R$ .*

**Proof** Let  $N = \{A_\alpha : A_\alpha \text{ is an } l\text{-semiprime } l\text{-ideal of } R\}$ . By Theorem 2.1 (2) and Proposition 3.1,  $\mathcal{Q}(R)$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideal, thus  $N \subseteq \mathcal{Q}(R)$ . Assume  $B/N$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R/N$ , since  $(B + A_\alpha)/A_\alpha = B/(A_\alpha \cap B) = (B/N)/((A_\alpha \cap B)/N)$ ,  $(B + A_\alpha)/A_\alpha$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal, so  $B \subseteq A_\alpha$  and  $B \subseteq N$ . Applying Proposition 3.1,  $R/N$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  semisimple ring. But  $\mathcal{Q}(R)/N$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideal of  $R/N$  by Theorem 2.1 (1) and Proposition 2.1 (3). Whence  $\mathcal{Q}(R) \subseteq N$ . Thus  $\mathcal{Q}(R) = N$ .

This theorem characterizes the  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical of  $R$  and will be used in the rest of the paper. Moreover, we have

**Theorem 3.2** *The following subsets of  $R$  coincide with the  $P$ -radical  $P(R)$  of  $R$ :*

- (1) the  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical  $\mathcal{Q}(R)$  of  $R$ ,
- (2) the  $l$ - $\mathcal{B}$  radical  $\mathcal{B}(R)$  of  $R$ ,
- (3) the intersection of all  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideals of  $R$ .

**Proof** It is clear that an  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is  $l$ -semiprime if and only if  $N(R/A)$  is zero. Using Theorem 2.2 and 3.1, and [4, 2.12], we have  $\mathcal{Q}(R) = \mathcal{B}(R) = \{A_\alpha : A_\alpha \text{ is an } l\text{-semiprime } l\text{-ideal of } R\} = \{A_\alpha : A_\alpha \text{ is an } l\text{-ideal of } R \text{ and } N(R/A_\alpha) \text{ is zero}\} = P(R)$ .

**Theorem 3.3**  *$R$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  semisimple ring if and only if it is a subdirect sum of some  $l$ -prime  $l$ -rings*

Theorem 3.3 follows directly from Proposition 3.1 and [1, Corollary 8.5.8].

## 4 $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$ radical rings

In this section we discuss  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical rings in order to obtain the structure of  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideals. The next theorem is a basic result.

**Theorem 4.1** *Every  $l$ -homomorphic image  $R^*$  and every  $l$ -subring  $M$  of an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical ring  $R$  are  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical rings. In particular,  $l$ -ideals of an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical ring are also  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical rings.*

**Proof** It is easy to see from Theorem 2.1 (3) that  $R^*$  is also an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical ring.

It remains to prove  $M = \mathcal{B}(M)$  by Theorem 3.2 and Definition 2.2. Let  $N(v)$  be as in Definition 2.3,  $S$  the complementary set of  $\mathcal{B}(M)$  in  $M$ . Clearly  $S \cap N(0) = \emptyset$ . Now assume  $S \cap N(v) = \emptyset$  for each ordinal number  $v < u$ . If  $u$  is a limit ordinal number, then  $S \cap N(u) = \emptyset$  by

the transfinite inductive hypothesis; if  $u = v + 1$  is not a limit ordinal number, then  $N(u)$  is the sum of all  $l$ -ideals  $K_\alpha$  of  $R$  such that  $K_\alpha$  contains  $N(v)$  and  $K_\alpha/N(v)$  is nilpotent. Assume  $M_1 = S$ .  $N(u)$  is a nonempty set, then there is a  $M_1$ . Let  $a_M$  and  $a$  be  $l$ -ideals generated by  $\{a\}$  in  $M$  and in  $R$  respectively. Since  $a \subseteq M_1$ , there exist  $\alpha$  and a positive integer  $n$  such that  $a^n \subseteq K_\alpha^n \subseteq N(v)$ , hence  $a_M^n \subseteq M \cap N(v)$  from  $a_M \subseteq a$ . But since  $S \cap N(v) = \emptyset$  by the transfinite inductive hypothesis, then  $a_M^n \subseteq M \cap N(v) = B(M) \cap N(v) \subseteq B(M)$ . Applying Theorem 3.2 we obtain  $a_M \subseteq B(M)$  and  $a \subseteq B(M) \cap S$ , which contradicts the choice of  $S$ , thus  $M_1 = N(u) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Whence  $S \cap B(R) = \emptyset$  via transfinite induction. Since  $R = B(R)$ ,  $S = S \cap M \subseteq S \cap R = S \cap B(R) = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $M = B(M)$ .

**Definition 4.1** Let  $X$  be a nonempty subset of  $R$ , the left  $l$ -annihilator of  $X$  in  $R$  is  $l(X) = \{r \in R : r|x = 0 \text{ for each } x \in X\}$ .

A similar definition can be made for right  $l$ -annihilator.

**Proposition 4.1** (1) Suppose that  $X$  is a nonempty subset of  $R$ , if  $|x| \subseteq X$  for each  $x \in X$ , then the left (right)  $l$ -annihilator of  $X$  in  $R$  is a left (right)  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ .

(2) The left (right)  $l$ -annihilator of a left (right)  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  in  $R$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ .

**Theorem 4.2** (1) Any  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring  $R$  is also an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring.

(2) If  $A$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  contained in the  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R)$  of  $R$ , then the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R/A$  is  $Q(R)/A$ .

**Proof** It is immediate from Proposition 3.1 and 4.1, and Theorem 3.1 and 2.1.

Next we discuss the structure of  $l$ -Q radical rings and  $l$ -Q ideals.

**Theorem 4.3** A left (right, two-sided)  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is a left (right, two-sided)  $l$ -Q ideal if and only if  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring.

**Proof** Sufficiency. Without loss of generality we now assume only that  $A$  is a nonzero left  $l$ -ideal. Let  $M$  be any  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , and  $A$  be not contained in  $M$ . Then  $A^* = (A + M)/M$  is a nonzero left  $l$ -ideal of  $R^* = R/M$ . Using the hypothesis that  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring, Theorem 4.1 and  $A/(A \cap M) = (A + M)/M = A^*$ , we have that  $A^*$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring. Assume that  $B^*$  is the right  $l$ -annihilator of  $A^*$  in  $A^*$ , then  $B^{*2} \subseteq A^* B^* = \{0^*\}$ , clearly  $B^*$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $A^*$  by Proposition 4.1. If  $B^* = A^*$ , then  $A$  is a left  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ ; if  $B^* \subsetneq A^*$ , from Theorem 2.1 (3) we may assume that  $L^{**}$  is a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $A^{**} = A^*/B^*$ . Let  $\varphi$  be the natural  $l$ -homomorphism of  $A^*$  onto  $A^{**}$ , and  $L^* = \varphi^{-1}(L^{**})$  the inverse  $l$ -homomorphic image of  $L^{**}$  under  $\varphi$ , then  $L^{**} = L^*/B^*$ ,  $L^*$  is nilpotent, and  $A^* L^* \subseteq \{0^*\}$ . Hence by Proposition 1.1 (4) the  $l$ -ideal  $(A^* L^*)$  is a nonzero nilpotent left  $l$ -ideal of  $R^*$ . It follows from Definition 2.1 that  $A$  is a left  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ .

Necessity. Assume first that  $A$  is a two-sided  $l$ -Q ideal. Let  $I$  be an  $l$ -ideal of  $A$  with  $I \neq A$ . We will show that the  $l$ -ring  $A/I$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal. Let  $Q = \sum \{I \cap a_i R : a_i \in A\}$  (all  $l$ -ideals of  $R$  that are contained in  $I$ ). It is easily seen that  $Q$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  and that  $Q \subseteq I$ . Since  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal, there is an  $l$ -ideal  $L$  of  $R$  such that  $Q \subseteq L \subseteq A + Q = A$ ,  $L/Q \subseteq (A + Q)/Q = A/Q$ .

$Q)/Q$  and  $L/Q$  is a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R/Q$ . Now  $L \not\subseteq I$ , since otherwise, we would have  $L \subseteq Q$  and that  $L/Q$  is the zero  $l$ -ideal in  $R/Q$ . So  $(L + I)/I$  is a nonzero  $l$ -ideal in  $A/I$ . Since  $L/Q$  is nilpotent in  $R/Q$ , there is a positive integer  $n$  such that  $(L/Q)^n = 0$  in  $R/Q$ . So  $L^n \subseteq Q \subseteq I$ . This implies  $(L + I)/I$  is nilpotent in  $A/I$ . Since  $I$  was chosen arbitrarily, we have shown that any  $l$ -homomorphic image of  $A$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal. Thus by Theorem 2.1(3),  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring.

Next assume that  $A$  is a left (right)  $l$ -Q ideal. Then by Proposition 2.2,  $A$  can be embedded in the  $l$ -Q ideal  $A + A^R$  ( $A + A^L$ ). By our previous discussions,  $A + A^R$  ( $A + A^L$ ) is an  $l$ -Q radical ring. Now  $A$  is an  $l$ -subring of  $A + A^R$  ( $A + A^L$ ). By Theorem 4.1,  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring.

**Theorem 4.4** (1) The  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R)$  of  $R$  and every  $l$ -subring of  $Q(R)$  are also  $l$ -Q radical rings.

(2) Every left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is a left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A$  is contained in  $Q(R)$ .

(3) If  $A$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then  $Q(A) = Q(R) \cap A$ .

**Proof** The proof of Part (1) is immediate from Theorem 2.1(1), Theorems 4.3 and 4.1.

(2) Necessity. It follows immediately from Theorem 2.1(1).

Sufficiency. Since  $A \subseteq Q(R)$ , by Part (1), we know that  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q radical ring. Hence by Theorem 4.3  $A$  is a left (right, or two-sided)  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ .

(3) Using part (1), Theorem 4.3, and part (2), we have  $Q(R) \cap A \subseteq Q(A)$ . On the other hand, by Theorem 2.1(2) and 4.2(1), we have that  $A/(A \cap Q(R)) \cong (A + Q(R))/Q(R)$  is an  $l$ -Q semisimple ring. It follows from Proposition 3.1 and Theorem 3.1 that  $Q(A) \subseteq A \cap Q(R)$ . Hence (3) holds.

**Corollary** If  $M$  is an  $l$ -subring of  $R$ , then  $Q(M) \supseteq Q(R) \cap M$ . (namely  $B(M) \supseteq B(R) \cap M$ )

**Theorem 4.5** If an  $l$ -ring  $R^*$  is an  $l$ -homomorphic image of  $R$  ( $R \cong R^*$ ) and  $K = \ker \varphi \subseteq Q(R)$ , then an  $l$ -ideal  $A \supseteq K$  of  $R$  is the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R$  if and only if  $\varphi(A)$  is the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R^*$ .

**Proof** Immediate.

## 5 $l$ -Q radical for full matrix lattice-ordered rings

The purpose of this section is to discuss the  $l$ -Q radical of full matrix lattice-ordered rings (full  $l$ -matrix  $l$ -rings).

**Theorem 5.1** A  $n$   $l$ -ring  $R$  without identity can be embedded naturally in an  $l$ -ring  $R_0$  with identity such that

(1) Every left (right, two-sided)  $l$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$  is also a left (right, two-sided)  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0$ .

(2)  $A$  is a nil (nilpotent)  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A$  is a nil (nilpotent)  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0$ .

(3) If  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ , then  $A$  is also an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R_0$ .

(4) The  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical  $\mathcal{Q}(R)$  of  $R$  coincides with the  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  radical  $\mathcal{Q}(R_0)$  of  $R_0$ .

**Proof** Let  $R_0 = \{a + ne \mid a \in R, n \text{ is an integer}\}$ , then  $R_0$  can be made to be an  $l$ -ring with identity  $e$  in which  $R$  is an  $l$ -subring, by defining

- i  $a + ne = b + me$  if and only if  $a = b, m = n$ ;  
 $a + ne \in R$  if and only if  $n = 0$
- ii  $(a + ne) + (b + me) = (a + b) + (n + m)e$
- iii  $(a + ne)(b + me) = ab + nb + ma + mne$
- iv  $a + ne \leq b + me$  if and only if  $a \leq b, n \leq m$ .

There is no loss of generality in assuming that  $A$  is a left  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ . For all  $x = a + ne \in R_0, b \in A$  and  $|a + ne| \leq |b|$ , then we have  $(a + ne) - (a - ne) = |a| + \max\{n, -n\}e \leq |b|$ . It follows that  $|a| \leq |b|$  and  $n = 0$ , that is  $x = a \in A$ . Hence (1) holds by iii

(2) The necessity is immediate from (1). The converse is trivial since for any  $x = a + ne \in A$ , there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that  $(a + ne)^k = 0$ , by i-iv, we have  $n = 0$ . It follows that  $A \subseteq R$ . This completes the proof of (2).

(3) Since  $A$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideal of  $R$ ,  $A$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0$  by (1). If  $M_0$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0$  with  $A \not\subseteq M_0$ , then  $M = M_0 \cap R \not\subseteq A$ , and  $(A + M)/M$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal  $B/M$  of  $R/M$ . It follows that  $B \supseteq M$  and  $B \subseteq M, B \not\subseteq M_0$  and  $(B + M_0)/M_0 \cong B/(B \cap M_0) = B/M$  is a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0/M_0$ . Since  $(A + M_0)/M_0 \supseteq (B + M_0)/M_0$ ,  $A$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideal of  $R_0$ .

(4) It is clear from Theorem 2.1 (1) and Part (3) that  $\mathcal{Q}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{Q}(R_0)$ . Conversely, suppose that  $B_0/\mathcal{Q}(R)$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R_0/\mathcal{Q}(R)$ , then  $(B_0 \cap R)/\mathcal{Q}(R)$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R/\mathcal{Q}(R)$ . Therefore  $B_0 \cap R = \mathcal{Q}(R)$  by Theorem 2.1 (2), Proposition 3.1 and Definition 3.1. Since  $B_0/\mathcal{Q}(R)$  is nilpotent, it follows from i-iv that  $B_0 \subseteq R$ . Thus  $R_0/\mathcal{Q}(R)$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ring. By Theorem 3.1 this implies  $\mathcal{Q}(R_0) \subseteq \mathcal{Q}(R)$ . Hence (4) holds.

Let  $R_n$  be the full matrix ring of all  $n \times n$  matrices  $Y = (y_{ij})$  over an  $l$ -ring  $R$ . Then, by defining  $Y \leq Z$  to mean that  $y_{ij} \leq z_{ij}$  for all  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we get an  $l$ -ring, which is called a full  $l$ -matrix  $l$ -ring over  $R$ .

Suppose  $\eta$  is an  $l$ -homomorphism of an  $l$ -ring  $R$  into an  $l$ -ring  $S$ . Then  $\eta_*: R_n \rightarrow S_n$  is the ring homomorphism induced by  $\eta$  on the full  $l$ -matrix  $l$ -ring. That is  $\eta_*(y_{ij}) = (\eta(y_{ij}))$ .

**Lemma 5.1** Let  $\eta$  be a surjective  $l$ -homomorphism of  $R$  onto  $S$ , and let  $\ker \eta = A$ . Then  $\eta_*$  is a surjective  $l$ -homomorphism of  $R_n$  onto  $S_n$ , and  $\ker \eta_* = A_n$ . That is  $R_n/A_n \cong S_n$  ( $R/A$ ) $_n$ .

**Theorem 5.2** Let  $R$  be an  $l$ -ring with identity  $e, A$  an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , and let  $A_n$  denote the set of  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $A$ . Then

- (1) The map  $A \rightarrow A_n$  is a bijective map of the set of  $l$ -ideals in  $R$  onto the set of  $l$ -ideals in  $R_n$ .
- (2)  $A$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A_n$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ .
- (3)  $A$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A_n$  is an  $l$ - $\mathcal{Q}$  ideal of  $R_n$ .
- (4)  $A$  is an  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A_n$  is an  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ .
- (5)  $A$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A_n$  is an  $l$ -semiprime  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ .

**Proof** (1) It is evident that if  $A$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ , then  $A_n$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ . Conversely, assume that  $K$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ . Then, by [6, p471, Proposition 7], there exists a ring ideal  $N$  of  $R$  such that  $K = N_n$ . For any  $x \in R$ ,  $a \in N$ , and  $|x| \leq |a|$ , we have  $aE \in N_n$  and  $|xE| \leq |aE|$ , where  $E$  is the unit matrix, or identity, of  $R_n$ . Since  $K = N_n$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ , there is  $xE \in N_n$ . This implies  $x \in N$ . It follows that  $N$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $R$ .

(2) If  $A$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal, then there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that  $A^k = \{0\}$ . Hence  $(A_n)^k = \{(0)\}$ , where  $(0)$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose entries are all 0. Conversely, if  $A_n$  is a nilpotent  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ , that is  $(A_n)^k = \{(0)\}$ , then for any  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \in A$ ,  $(0) = (a_1E)(a_2E)\dots(a_kE) = (a_1a_2\dots a_k)E$ . It follows that  $A^k = \{0\}$ .

(3) Suppose that  $A_n$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R_n$ . Take any  $l$ -ideal  $M$  of  $R$  with  $A \not\subseteq M$ , then  $A_n \not\subseteq M_n$  by (1). Hence  $(A_n + M_n)/M_n$  contains a nonzero nilpotent  $l$ -ideal  $B_n/M_n$  of  $R_n/M_n$ . Since  $(B/M)_n = B_n/M_n \subseteq (A_n + M_n)/M_n = (A + M)_n/M_n = (A + M)/M$  by Lemma 5.1, we obtain that  $B/M \subseteq (A + M)/M$  is nilpotent. Thus  $A$  is an  $l$ -Q ideal of  $R$ . Similarly, the converse holds.

(4) We first show the following fact:

$$I_n J_n = (IJ)_n = IJ_n \quad (*)$$

for every pair of  $l$ -ideals  $I, J$  of  $R$ . Since  $I_n J_n \subseteq (IJ)_n \subseteq IJ_n$ ,  $I_n J_n \subseteq (IJ)_n \subseteq IJ_n = IJ_n$ . Conversely, for every  $Y = (y_{ij}) \in IJ_n$ , there are  $y_{ij} \in IJ$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . By [5, p169] there exist  $a_{ij} \in I$ ,  $b_{ij} \in J$  such that  $|y_{ij}| \leq a_{ij}b_{ij}$ , hence  $|Y| = (|y_{ij}|) \leq (a_{ij}b_{ij}) = (a_{ij}E_{ij})(b_{ij}E_{ij}) \in I_n J_n$ , where  $E_{ij}$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with  $(i, j)$ -entry  $e$  and all other entries 0. This implies  $Y \in I_n J_n$ . Thus  $(*)$  holds. From (1), [4, pp. 71- 72] and  $(*)$  we can easily obtain that  $A$  is an  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $A_n$  is an  $l$ -prime  $l$ -ideal of  $R_n$ .

(5) It is immediate from Part (1) and (2) and Lemma 5.1.

**Corollary** If  $R$  is an  $l$ -ring with identity, then the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R_n$  is the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in the  $l$ -Q radical of  $R$ . That is  $Q(R_n) = (Q(R))_n$ .

**Theorem 5.3** For any  $l$ -ring  $R$ , the  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R_n)$  of  $R_n$  is the full  $l$ -matrix  $l$ -ring  $(Q(R))_n$  over the  $l$ -Q radical  $Q(R)$  of  $R$ . That is  $Q(R_n) = (Q(R))_n$ .

**Proof** It suffices to consider the case  $R$  without identity, by Corollary of Theorem 5.2. From Theorem 5.1,  $R$  can be embedded in an  $l$ -ring  $\bar{R}$  with identity in which  $R$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $\bar{R}$  and  $Q(R) = Q(\bar{R})$ . Then, by Theorem 5.2 and its Corollary,  $R_n$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $\bar{R}_n$  and

$$Q(\bar{R}_n) = (Q(\bar{R}))_n = (Q(R))_n \subseteq R_n$$

By Theorem 4.4 (1) and (3) we obtain  $Q(\bar{R}_n) = Q(Q(\bar{R}_n)) \subseteq Q(R_n)$ ; By Theorem 4.4 (3) we get  $Q(R_n) \subseteq Q(\bar{R}_n)$ . Whence  $Q(R_n) = Q(\bar{R}_n) = (Q(R))_n$ .

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## 格序环的一个根的结构

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### 摘 要

从不同角度刻画了格序环  $R$  的  $P$ -根和  $l$ -B 根, 并对  $l$ -Q 根环进行了讨论 揭示了  $R$  及  $R$  上的全矩阵环  $R_n$  的  $l$ -Q 根,  $l$ -Q 理想, 素  $l$ -理想, 半素  $l$ -理想之间的关系