

The Upper Radical Determined by the Class of all J-Semisimple Subdirectly Irreducible Rings *

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Abstract: F.A.Szasz has put forward the open problem 55 in [1]:

Let \mathbf{K} be the class of all subdirectly irreducible rings, whose Jacobson radical is (0) . Examine the upper radical determined by the class \mathbf{K} .

In this paper, the problem has been examined.

(1) It has been proved that the upper radical \mathbf{R} determined by the class \mathbf{K} is a special radical, which lies between Jacobson radical and Brown-McCoy radical.

(2) It has been given some necessary and sufficient condition of ring A to be an \mathbf{R} -radical ring.

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In this paper, any ring is an associative ring and any radical is a radical property in the sense of Amitsur and Kurosh. \mathbf{J} , \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{S} respectively denote Jacobson radical, Brown-McCoy radical and antisimple radical.

Definition 1 A ring A is called a subdirectly irreducible, if the intersection of all non-zero ideals of A is non-zero. The intersection \mathbf{H} of all non-zero ideals of a subdirectly irreducible ring A is called the heart of A (See[1]).

Let $\mathbf{K} = \{A \mid A \text{ be a subdirectly irreducible ring, } \mathbf{J}(A) = 0\}$.

Theorem 1 The upper radical \mathbf{R} determined by the class \mathbf{K} is a special radical, and thus \mathbf{R} is also a supernilpotent radical.

Proof First we shall show that A is a subdirectly irreducible ring with heart \mathbf{H} , then $\mathbf{J}(A) = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{H}) = 0$. In fact, if $\mathbf{J}(A) = 0$, since $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq \mathbf{J}(A)$, so $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{H}) = 0$. Conversely, if $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{H}) = 0$ but $\mathbf{J}(A) \neq 0$, then $\mathbf{J}(A) \supseteq \mathbf{H}$. Because \mathbf{J} is a hereditary radical,

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so we have $J(H) = J(A) \cap H = H$. This contradicts the heart H of A is non-zero. Hence $J(A) = 0$.

Therefore $K = \{A | A \text{ be a subdirectly irreducible ring with a heart } H, J(H) = 0\}$. And then we show that the heart H of any ring A in K satisfies $H^2 = H$. In fact, because A is a ring in K and so $J(H) = 0$. If $H^2 \neq H$, since $H^2 \subseteq H$ and from the minimality of H , we obtain $H^2 = 0$. So $J(H) = H$, a contradiction. Hence $H^2 = H$.

Therefore $K = \{A | A \text{ be a subdirectly irreducible ring with an idempotent J-semisimple heart } \}$. Thus K is a special class by theorem 12.3 of [1]. So the upper radical determined by the class K is a special radical, and thus it is also a supernilpotent radical. Theorem 1 is proved.

The upper radical determined by the class K will be denoted by R .

In the following, we give some characterizations of radical property R .

Let R_1 and R_2 be two radical properties. R_1 and R_2 respectively denote also the class of all R_1 -radical rings and the class of all R_2 -radical rings. Put $H = R_1 \cap R_2$, then the union radical of R_1 and R_2 is $R_1 + R_2 = L(H)$ (see[1]).

Theorem 2 The radical $R \geq J + S, R \not\geq J, R \not\geq S$.

Proof Let $K_1 = \{A | A \text{ be a subdirectly irreducible ring with an idempotent heart } H\}$, $K_2 = \{A | J(A) = 0\}$, then $K = K_1 \cap K_2$. Since the antisimple radical $S = UK_1$, the Jacobson radical $J = UK_2$, and $K \subseteq K_1, K \subseteq K_2$, so $R = UK \geq UK_1, R \geq UK_2$. Consequently, $R \geq (UK_1) \cup (UK_2) = J \cup S$. Therefore $R \geq L(J \cup S) = J + S$. Because $J \not\subseteq S, S \not\subseteq J$ (see[2]), and thus $J \not\subseteq J + S, S \not\subseteq J + S$. Therefore $R \not\geq J, R \not\geq S$. This completes the proof of theorem 2.

Theorem 3 $R \leq G$, and thus $J \leq R \leq G, S \leq R \leq G$.

Proof Let $K_3 = \{A | A \text{ be a simple ring with a unity element } \}$. Then the Brown-McCoy radical $G = UK_3$. Take any $A \in K_3$, then $G(A) = 0$. Since $J < G$, and so $J(A) = 0$. Because a simple ring is a subdirectly irreducible ring, thus $A \in K$. Therefore $K_3 \subseteq K$. Consequently $R = UK \leq UK_3 = G$. By [3], there exists a ring B , which is a J-semisimple simple ring, and also a G-radical ring, and $B \in K$. Hence $R(B) = 0$. And thus B is a R-semisimple ring, and also a G-radical ring. Therefore $R \leq G$. Theorem 3 is proved.

This complete the proof that the radical R determined by the class K of all subdirectly irreducible rings, whose Jacobson radical is (0) , lies between Jacobson radical and Brown-McCoy radical.

Theorem 4 For an associative ring A , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) A is a R -radical ring.
- (2) Every non-zero homomorphic image A' of A is a subdirect sum of subdirectly irreducible rings with J-radical heart.
- (3) Every ideal I of A is the intersection of all ideals I_α in the ring A such that each factor ring A/I_α ($I_\alpha \supseteq I$) is subdirectly irreducible ring with J-radical heart.

Proof (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let $R(A) = A$, and A' be a non-zero homomorphic image of A . Then $A' = \sum_S \oplus A_\alpha$, where A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring. Suppose H_α is a heart of A_α .

Since $A \sim A' \sim A_\alpha$, $R(A) = A$, so $R(A_\alpha) = A_\alpha$. If $J(H_\alpha) \neq H_\alpha$, then $J(H_\alpha) = 0$ by proposition 12.2 of [1], because J -radical is a hereditary radical and A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with a heart H_α . Therefore $A_\alpha \in K$, and thus $R = UK$. So $R(A_\alpha) = 0$, in contradiction to $R(A_\alpha) = A_\alpha$. Consequently $J(H_\alpha) = H_\alpha$, and thus A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with a J -radical heart H_α .

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Suppose every non-zero homomorphic image A' of A is a subdirect sum of subdirectly irreducible rings with J -radical heart. If $R(A) \neq A$, then $A/R(A) \neq 0$. Put $A' = A/R(A)$. Because $R(A') = 0$, R is a supernilpotent radical, and thus by theorem 11.5 of [1] A' is a subdirect sum of rings in K , $A' = \sum_S \oplus A_\alpha$, where $A_\alpha \in K$. Therefore every A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with a heart H_α and $J(H_\alpha) = 0$. Since $A \sim A' \sim A_\alpha \neq 0$, therefore by assumption, $A_\alpha = \sum_S \oplus A_{\alpha\beta}$, where every $A_{\alpha\beta}$ is a subdirectly irreducible ring with a heart $H_{\alpha\beta}$, and $J(H_{\alpha\beta}) = H_{\alpha\beta}$. Since A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring, and so there exists a β_0 such that $A_\alpha \cong A_{\alpha\beta_0}$. And thus $H_\alpha \cong H_{\alpha\beta_0}$. But $J(H_\alpha) = 0$, $J(H_{\alpha\beta_0}) = H_{\alpha\beta_0}$, a contradiction. Therefore we must have $R(A) = A$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Suppose every non-zero homomorphic image A' of A is a subdirect sum of subdirectly irreducible rings with J -radical heart. Let I be an arbitrary ideal of A , then $A \sim A/I$, $A/I = \sum_S \oplus A_\alpha$, where A_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with J -radical heart H_α . Hence there exists an ideal I_α ($I_\alpha \supseteq I$) of A such that $A_\alpha \cong (A/I)/(I_\alpha/I) \cong A/I$, and $\cap(I_\alpha/I) = 0$. Therefore A/I_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with J -radical heart, and $\cap I_\alpha = I$.

(3) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose every ideal I of A is the intersection of all ideals I_α in the ring A such that each factor ring A/I_α ($I_\alpha \supseteq I$) is a subdirectly irreducible ring with J -radical heart. If $A \not\sim A' \neq 0$, then $I = \ker \phi$ is an ideal of A . By assumption, $I = \cap I_\alpha$, where I_α is an ideal of A , A/I_α is a subdirectly irreducible ring with J -radical heart. Hence $\cap(I_\alpha/I) = 0$, I_α/I is an ideal of A/I . Therefore $A' \cong A/I = \sum_S \oplus (A/I)/(I_\alpha/I) \cong \sum_S \oplus (A/I_\alpha)$. This completes the proof of theorem 4.

Theorem 4 gives some necessary and sufficient conditions for any associative ring A to be R -radical ring.

Theorem 5 *If the J -radical strongly coincides with the S -radical on the class M of rings (the class M is homomorphically closed), then the R -radical also strongly coincides with the J -radical and S -radical on the class M .*

Proof Suppose the J -radical strongly coincides with the S -radical on the class M . Since $R > J$, $R > S$, and thus we have only to prove that, for any ring A in M , if $S(A) = 0$, then $R(A) = 0$. Let $S(A) = 0$, then $A = \sum_S \oplus A_\alpha$, where A_α has a heart H_α and $H_\alpha^2 = H_\alpha$. Since $S(A_\alpha) = 0$, $A_\alpha \in M$, and so $J(A_\alpha) = S(A_\alpha) = 0$. Hence $A_\alpha \in K$, therefore $R(A_\alpha) = 0$, and thus $R(A) = 0$. Theorem 5 is proved.

Definition 2 *A ring A is called a MHR-ring, if A satisfies the minimum condition on principal right ideals. (see[1])*

Corollary *The radical R strongly coincides with the radicals J and S on the class of all MHR-rings. The radical R does not weakly coincide with the radical G on the class of all*

MHR-rings.

Proof Because the radical J strongly coincides with the radical S on the class of all MHR-rings(see[2]),and so the radical R also strongly coincides with the radical J and S on the class of all MHR-rings by theorem 5.

Because the radical J does not weakly coincides with the radical G on the class of all MHR-rings(see[4]),while the radical R strongly coincides with the radical J on the class of all MHR-rings. Therefore the radical R does not weakly coincide with the radical G on the class of all MHR-rings.The corollary is proved.

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J- 半单亚直既约环类确定的上限

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摘要: F.A.Szasz 在 [1] 中提出公开问题 55: 设 K 是 Jacobson 根为零的全体亚直既约环类, 研究类 K 确定的上根. 本文对此进行了研究, 证明了 Jacobson 根为零的全体亚直既约环类 K 确定的上根 R 是特殊根, 它介于 Jacobson 根与 Brown-McCoy 根之间. 并给出任意结合环 A 为 R - 根环的充要条件.