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QUASI-SEMI-PRIME SUBMODULES.

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Abstract

Let R be a commutative ring with unity and let N be a submodule of a non-zero left R -module M , N is called semiprime if whenever $r^n x \in N$, $r \in R$, $x \in M$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, implies $rx \in N$. In this paper we say that N is quasi-semiprime iff $[N:M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R where $[N:M] = \{r \in R: rM \subseteq N\}$. We give many results of this type of submodules.

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1. Introduction:-

A submodule of an R -module M which Dauns [1] was named semiprime submodules that they are generalized of semiprime ideals, which get big importance at last years, many studies and searches are published about semiprime submodules by many people who care with the subject of commutative algebra and some of them are J. Dauns, R. L. McCasland, C.P.LU, P. F. Smith, M. E. Moore. The definition comes in [1] as following we say that a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called semiprime submodule if whenever $r^n x \in N$, $r \in R$, $x \in M$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, implies $rx \in N$. Let's show the most important results that studies get. If N is a proper submodule of an R -module M , then N is semiprime iff for each $r \in R$, $x \in M$ such that $r^2 x \in N$, then $rx \in N$, [2]. If N is a proper submodule of an R -module M , then the following statements are equivalent: N is semiprime submodule of an R -module M , then $[N:K]$ is semiprime ideal of R where $[N:K] = \{r \in R: rK \subseteq N\}$ [2], then $[N:\langle x \rangle]$ is semiprime ideal of R , $x \notin N$. If N is semiprime submodule, then $[N:M]$ is semiprime ideal of R [2], If $0 \neq M$ is Z -regular module, then every submodule is semiprime [2]. A proper submodule N of an R -module M is said to be quasi-prime submodule of M if $[N:M]$ is a prime ideal of R , where $[N:M] = \{r \in R: rM \subseteq N\}$ [3]. In this paper we give the following: a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called a quasi-semiprime submodule iff $[N:M]$ is semiprime ideal of R . Let R be a commutative ring with identity and M is a non zero unital left R -module M , a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called semiprime if whenever $r^n x \in N$, $r \in R$, $x \in M$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, implies $rx \in N$ [2] equivalently N is called semiprime iff $r^2 x \in N$, $r \in R$, $x \in M$, implies $rx \in N$. Let N and K be two submodules of an R -module M , then, If $N \subseteq K$, then $[N:M] \subseteq [K:M]$, If $N \subseteq K$, then $[N:M] \subseteq [N:K]$. The set $\{r \in R: r^k \in I, \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ is called the radical of I or the nil radical and denoted by \sqrt{I} , I is an ideal of a ring R . An ideal I of a ring R is said to be a semiprime ideal if $a^2 \in I$, for each $a \in R$, then $a \in I$ equivalently if I is an ideal of a ring R , then I is semiprime ideal if and only if $I = \sqrt{I}$ [4].

2. Quasi-Semiprime Submodules:-

Recall that a proper submodule N of an R -module M is called semiprime submodule if $N \neq M$ and whenever $r \in R$, $m \in M$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $r^k m \in N$, then $rm \in N$. [1]

Proposition (2.1) :[2]

If N is a proper submodule of an R -module M , then N is semiprimesubmodule of M if and only if whenever $r^2m \in N$, where $r \in R$, $m \in M$, then $rm \in N$.

Recall that a proper ideal I in a ring R is called semiprime ideal if $r^2 \in I$ implies that $r \in I$. [4]. If M is a prime R -module, then $\text{ann}_R N$ is a prime ideal for every non-zero submodule N of M , [3]. A proper submodule N of an R -module M is said to be a quasi-prime submodule of M if $[N:M]$ is a prime ideal of R , where $[N:M] = \{r \in R: rM \subseteq N\}$, [3].

We introduce the following:

Definition (2.2):-

A proper submodule N of an R -module M is said to be a quasi-semiprimesubmodule of M if and only if $[N:M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R where $[N:M] = \{r \in R: rM \subseteq N\}$.

Remarks and examples(2.3):-

1. Every semiprimesubmodule of an R -module M is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M , but the converse is not true in general for example let $M = Z \oplus Z$ be a module over Z and N be a submodule generated by $(4,0)$, then $[N:M] = 0$ is a semiprime ideal of Z , but N is not semiprime submodule of M .
2. Every quasi-prime submodule of an R -module M is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .
3. **Proof:** Let N be a quasi-prime submodule of an R -module M , then N is a semiprimesubmodule [3], hence $[N:M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R , [2]. Thus N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M , but the converse is not true in general, for example the submodule $6Z$ of Z as Z -module is a quasi-semiprime submodule, but not quasi-prime submodule.
4. The submodule $\langle 4 \rangle$ of the Z -module Z_8 is not a quasi-semiprime submodule since $[\langle 4 \rangle: Z_8] = 4Z$ is not semiprime ideal of Z .
5. The submodule $6Z$ of the Z -module Z is a quasi-semiprime submodule of Z .
6. The intersection of any two quasi-semiprime submodules of an R -module M need not be quasi-semiprime submodule for example the Z -module Z_{12} has quasi-semiprime submodules let $N_1 = \langle 2 \rangle$ and $N_2 = \langle 3 \rangle$ be two quasi-semiprime submodules of Z_{12} , but $N_1 \cap N_2 = \langle 6 \rangle$ is not quasi-semiprime submodule of Z_{12} since $[\langle 6 \rangle: Z_{12}] = 12Z$ is not semiprime ideal of Z .

The following proposition shows that the concepts of a quasi-semiprime submodules and semiprimesubmodules are equivalent in the class of multiplication modules.

Proposition (2.4) :-

Let N be a proper submodule of a multiplication R -module M . Then the following statements are equivalent:

1. N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .
2. $[N:M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R .
3. N is a semiprimesubmodule of M .

Proof: $1 \Rightarrow 2$ by definition of a quasi-semiprime submodules.

$2 \Rightarrow 3$ by a multiplication module .

$3 \Rightarrow 1$ by Remark(2.3) (1).

Corollary (2.5):-

If N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of a multiplication R -module M , then N is an intersection of some prime submodules.

Proof: Since N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of a multiplication R -module M , then by above Proposition N is a semiprimesubmodule, then $\sqrt{N} = N$, [5].

Definition (2.6) :[6]

An R -module M is called Z -regular module if for each $m \in M$ there exists $f \in M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$ such that $m = f(m).m$.

Proposition (2.7):-

Every submodule of a Z -regular module is quasi-semiprime submodule.

Proof: Let M be a Z -regular module, then every submodule of M is semiprime [2], then by Remark(2.3) (1) every submodule of M is quasi-semiprime submodule.

Definition (2.8) :[7]

An R -module M is called a multiplication module if for each submodule N of M there exists an ideal I of R such that $N = IM$. In fact M is called a multiplication module if $[N:M]M = N$, for each submodule N of M .

Proposition (2.9):-

N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of a multiplication R -module M if and only if $I^2M \subseteq N$, for some ideal I of R , then $IM \subseteq N$.

Proof: Since N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of a multiplication R -module M , then by Proposition(2.4) N is a semiprime submodule and $I^2M \subseteq N$, then $IM \subseteq N$. For the converse, since $I^2M \subseteq N$, for some ideal I of R implies that $IM \subseteq N$, then N is semiprime submodule [5], then by Remark(2.3) (1) N is a quasi-semiprime submodule.

Proposition (2.10):-

If N is a proper submodule of a multiplication R -module M and $[N:M]$ is a primary ideal of R , then the following statements are equivalent:

1. N is a quasi-prime submodule of M .
2. N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: $1 \Rightarrow 2$ by Remark(2,3)(2).

$2 \Rightarrow 1$ Since N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M , then $[N:M]$ is a semiprime ideal and by assumption $[N:M]$ is a primary ideal of R , then $[N:M]$ is a prime ideal. Which implies that N is a quasi-prime submodule of M .

Recall that a submodule N of an R -module M is called injective envelope of N in M , denoted by $E_M(N)$, $E_M(N) = \{x = rm : r \in R, m \in M \text{ such that } r^k m \in N, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$. It is clear that $N \subseteq E_M(N)$ [8].

Proposition (2.11):-

Let N be a proper submodule of a multiplication R -module M , then $E_M(N) = N$ if and only if N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: Since $E_M(N) = N$, then N is a semiprime submodule of M [9], then by Remark (2.3) (1) N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M . For the converse, since N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M and M is a multiplication R -module, then by Proposition (2.4) N is semiprime submodule and hence $E_M(N) = N$.

If M and \mathcal{M} are R -modules and $\phi: M \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is an epimorphism with $\ker \phi \subseteq N$. If N is semiprime submodule in M , then $\phi(N)$ is semiprime in \mathcal{M} and If N' is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M and $\ker \phi \ll M$, then $\phi^{-1}(N')$ is semiprime in M [2]. If N is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M and if N' is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M .

Now, we have the following:

Proposition (2.12):-

If M and \mathcal{M} are R -modules and $\phi: M \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is an epimorphism with $\ker \phi \subseteq N$. If N is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M , then $\phi(N)$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in \mathcal{M} .

Proof: We want to show that $\phi(N)$ is a proper submodule of \mathcal{M} . Suppose not $\phi(N) = \mathcal{M}$, then $\phi(N) = \phi(M)$, then $\exists m \in M$ such that $\phi(m) \in \mathcal{M} = \phi(N)$, $\exists n \in N$ such that $\phi(n) = \phi(m)$, hence $\phi(n - m) = 0$, then $n - m \in \ker \phi \subseteq N$, then $N = M$ (contradiction).

Now, we want to show that $\phi(N)$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in \mathcal{M} . It is enough to prove $\sqrt{[\phi(N):\mathcal{M}]} \subseteq [\phi(N):\mathcal{M}]$. Let $x \in \sqrt{[\phi(N):\mathcal{M}]}$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $x^n \in [\phi(N):\mathcal{M}]$, then $x^n M \subseteq \phi(N)$, then $x^n m' = \phi(n)$, $m' \in M$, $n \in N$. Since ϕ is onto, then $\exists m \in M$ such that $\phi(m) = m'$, then $x^n \phi(m) = \phi(n)$, then $\phi(x^n m -$

$n) = 0$, then $x^n m - n \in \ker \phi \subseteq N$, then $x^n m \in N$, then $x^n M \subseteq N$, then $x^n \in [N: M]$, but $[N: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R . Then $x \in [N: M]$, then $xM \subseteq N$, then $xm \in N$, then $\phi(xm) \in \phi(N)$, then $x\phi(m) \in \phi(N)$, then $x\phi(M) \subseteq \phi(N)$, then $xM \subseteq \phi(N)$, then $x \in [\phi(N): M]$.

Proposition (2.13):-

If M and \mathcal{M} are R -modules and $\phi: M \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is an epimorphism. If \mathcal{N} is a quasi-semiprime submodule in \mathcal{M} , then $\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N})$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M .

Proof: It is clear that $\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}) \subseteq M$. We want to show that $\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N})$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M . It is enough to prove $\sqrt{[\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}): M]} \subseteq [\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}): M]$. Let $a \in \sqrt{[\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}): M]}$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $a^n \in [\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}): M]$, then $a^n M \subseteq \phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N})$, then $\phi(a^n)M \subseteq N$, then $(\phi(a))^n M \subseteq N$, then $(\phi(a))^n \in [N: M]$. Since \mathcal{N} is a quasi-semiprime submodule in \mathcal{M} , then $[N: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R . Then $\phi(a) \in [N: M]$, then $\phi(a)M \subseteq N$, then $aM \subseteq \phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N})$, then $a \in [\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}): M]$. Which implies that $\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{N})$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M .

Proposition (2.14):-

Let K be a proper submodule of an R -module M and N be a quasi-semiprime submodule of M with $N \subseteq K$ such that $[N: M]$ is a maximal ideal of R , then K is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: We want to show that K is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M . It is enough to prove $\sqrt{[K: M]} \subseteq [K: M]$. Let $a \in \sqrt{[K: M]}$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $a^n \in [K: M]$, then $a^n M \subseteq K$. Since $N \subseteq K$, then $[N: M] \subseteq [K: M]$, but K be a proper submodule of M , then $[K: M]$ is a proper ideal of R . Since $[N: M]$ is a maximal ideal of R , then $[N: M] = [K: M]$. Thus $a^n \in [K: M] = [N: M]$, then $a^n \in [N: M]$, but $[N: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R , then $a \in [N: M] = [K: M]$, then $a \in [K: M]$.

which implies that K is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M .

Proposition (2.15):-

Let K be a proper submodule of an R -module M and N be a quasi-semiprime submodule of M with $[N: M] = [K: M]$, then K is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: We want to show that $[K: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R . Since N is a quasi-semiprime, then $[N: M]$ is semiprime ideal and $[N: M] = [K: M]$, then $[K: M]$ is semiprime ideal, then K is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proposition (2.16):-

Let N be a quasi-semiprime submodule of an R -module M and K be a semiprime submodule of M , then $N \cap K$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: We want to show that $[N \cap K: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R . It is enough to prove $\sqrt{[N \cap K: M]} \subseteq [N \cap K: M]$. Let $x \in \sqrt{[N \cap K: M]}$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $x^n \in [N \cap K: M] \subseteq [N: M]$, but N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M , then $[N: M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R . Thus $x \in [N: M]$, then $xM \subseteq N$. On the other hand $x^n \in [N \cap K: M] \subseteq [K: M]$, then $x^n M \subseteq K$, then $xM \subseteq N \cap K$, then $x \in [N \cap K: M]$. Which implies that $N \cap K$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in M .

Proposition (2.17):-

Let N be a quasi-semiprime submodule of an R -module M and K be any submodule of M such that $K \not\subseteq N$, then $N \cap K$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule of K .

Proof: Since $K \not\subseteq N$, then $N \cap K$ is a proper submodule of K . Let $r \in R$ such that $r^2 \in [N \cap K: K]$. To prove $r \in [N \cap K: K]$. Since $r^2 m \in N \cap K$ for each $m \in M$, then $r^2 m \in N$, but N is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M , then $r m \in N$ and $m \in K$, then $r m \in N \cap K$, for each $m \in K$, then $r \in [N \cap K: K]$. Which implies that $N \cap K$ is a quasi-semiprime submodule in K .

3. Quasi–Semiprime modules.

Recall that an R –module M is said to be a semiprime module if (0) is a semiprime submodule of M [10].

An R –module M is called a quasi–prime module iff $\text{ann}_R N$ is a prime ideal for each non–zero submodule N of M , [3]. An R –module M is a quasi–prime module iff (0) is a quasi–prime submodule of M , [3].

Compare the following with (1.1.3)(13), [3].

Proposition (3.1):-

Let M be an R –module, if M is a semiprime R –module, then $\text{ann}_R N$ is a semiprime ideal for every non–zero submodule N of M .

Proof: Let $r \in R$ such that $r^n \in \text{ann}_R N$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. We want to show that $r \in \text{ann}_R N$. Since $r^n \in \text{ann}_R N$, then $r^n x = 0$ for all $x \in N$, then $r^n x \in (0)$ and M is a semiprime module, then $rx \in (0)$, then $r \in \text{ann}_R N$. Which implies that $\text{ann}_R N$ is a semiprime ideal.

Now, we introduce the following:

Definition (3.2):-

An R –module M is said to be quasi–semiprime module if and only if $\text{ann}_R N$ is a semiprime ideal of R for every non–zero submodule N of M .

Remarks and examples(3.3):-

1. Every semiprime R –module is a quasi–semiprime module .
2. The proof follows directly by prop.(3.1), but the converse is not true in general for example Z_4 as Z –module is a quasi–semiprime module since $\text{ann}_Z N$ is a semiprime ideal of Z for each submodule N of M , but (0) is not semiprime submodule of Z_4 .
3. Z_p^∞ is not quasi–semiprime Z –module .
4. **Proof:** Every submodule of Z_p^∞ is the form $\left(\frac{1}{p^n} + Z\right)$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ $\text{ann}_Z \left(\frac{1}{p^n} + Z\right) = p^n Z$ is not a semiprime ideal of Z .
5. The homomorphic image of a quasi–semiprime module need not be quasi–semiprime module for example it is clear that the Z as Z –module is a quasi–semiprime module, but $\frac{Z}{12Z} \cong Z_{12}$ is not quasi–semiprime Z –module.

Proposition (3.4):-

Let M be an R –module, if M is a semiprime R –module, then M is a quasi–semiprime module.

Proof: Since M is a semiprime R –module, then by prop. (3.1) $\text{ann}_R N$ is semiprime ideal of R and by definition (3.2), then M is a quasi–semiprime module.

Compare the following with Prop. (2.2.1), [3].

Theorem(3,5):-

Let M be an R –module, then M is a quasi–semiprime module iff (0) is a quasi–semiprime submodule of M .

Proof: Suppose that M is a quasi–semiprime module. We want to show that (0) is a quasi–semiprime submodule . Since M is a quasi–semiprime module, then $\text{ann}_R M$ is a semiprime ideal of R , but $\text{ann}_R M = [(0): M]$, then by definition (2.2) (0) is a quasi–semiprime submodule of M . Conversely, if (0) is a quasi–semiprime submodule of M . To prove M is a quasi–semiprime module. Since (0) is a quasi–semiprime submodule, then definition (2.2) implies that $[(0): M]$ is a semiprime ideal of R , but $\text{ann}_R M = [(0): M]$, then M is a quasi–semiprime module.

Corollary(3,6):-

Let N be a proper submodule of an R –module M , then N is a quasi–semiprime submodule of M iff M/N is a quasi–semiprime module.

Proposition (3.6):-

Every direct summand of a quasi-semiprime R -module is quasi-semiprime submodule.

Proof: Suppose that N_1 and N_2 are two submodules of an R -module M such that $M = N_1 \oplus N_2$ and M is a quasi-semiprime R -module. To prove N_1 is a quasi-semiprime submodule. Let $r \in R, m \in M$ such that $r^2 m \in N_1$, but $m \in M = N_1 \oplus N_2$ implies that there exist $m_1 \in N_1, m_2 \in N_2$ such that $m = m_1 + m_2$. Now, $r^2 m \in N_1$, then $r^2(m_1 + m_2) = (r^2 m_1 + r^2 m_2) \in N_1$, then $r^2 m_2 \in N_1 \cap N_2 = (0) = \text{ann}_R M$. Since M is quasi-semiprime R -module, then $\text{ann}_R M$ is a semiprime ideal of R . Then $r m_2 \in \text{ann}_R M = (0)$, so $r m_2 = (0)$, thus $r m = r(m_1 + m_2) = r m_1 + r m_2 = r m_1 \in N_1$, then $r m \in N_1$. Which implies that N_1 is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

Similarly N_2 is a quasi-semiprime submodule of M .

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