

A Note on Primary and Weakly Primary Submodules

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Abstract. In this paper, the generalizations of primary submodules and weakly primary submodules are proposed as $P(N)$ -locally primary submodules and $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodules, respectively. The relationships of these submodules are investigated extensively.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, we assume that all rings are commutative with identity $1 \neq 0$. An ideal I of R is called a proper ideal if $I \neq R$. Then the radical of a proper ideal I of R is denoted by $rad(I)$ and $rad(I) = \{x \in R \mid x^n \in I \text{ for some positive integer } n\}$. A proper ideal P of R is called prime (primary) if $ab \in P$ for some $a, b \in R$ implies that either $a \in P$ or $b \in P$ (either $a \in P$ or $b^n \in P$ for some positive integer n). A proper ideal P of R is said to be a weakly prime ideal if $0 \neq ab \in P$ for some $a, b \in R$ implies that either $a \in P$ or $b \in P$, and it is called a weakly primary ideal if $0 \neq ab \in P$ for some $a, b \in R$ implies that either $a \in P$ or $b^n \in P$ for some positive integer n (see [3], [4]).

Let M be an R -module. A submodule N of M is called a proper submodule if $N \neq M$. A proper submodule N of M is called a prime submodule if $rm \in N$ for some $r \in R$ and $m \in M$ implies that either $m \in N$ or $rM \subseteq N$ and it is said to be a weakly prime submodule if $0 \neq rm \in N$ for some $r \in R$ and $m \in M$ implies that either $m \in N$ or $rM \subseteq N$. A non empty subset S of R is said to be multiplicative closed set if $0 \notin S$ and whenever $a, b \in S$, then $ab \in S$. Let S be a multiplicative closed set in R . It can be easily seen that M_S is an R_S -module under the operations $\frac{a}{s} + \frac{b}{u} = \frac{ua+sb}{su}$ and $\frac{r}{v} \frac{a}{s} = \frac{ra}{vs}$ for any

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$\frac{r}{v} \in R_S$ and $\frac{a}{s}, \frac{b}{u} \in M_S$ [5]. A proper submodule N of M is said to be $S(N)$ -locally prime ($S(N)$ -weakly prime) submodule if $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a prime (a weakly prime) submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for each maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} with $S(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ [2].

A proper submodule N of M is said to be a primary submodule if $rm \in N$ for some $r \in R, m \in M$ implies that either $m \in N$ or $r^n M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n and it is said to be a weakly primary submodule if $0 \neq rm \in N$ for some $r \in R, m \in M$ implies that either $m \in N$ or $r^n M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n . The ideal $\{r \in R \mid rM \subseteq N\}$ will be denoted by $(N : M)$ and $(0 : N) = \{r \in R \mid rN = 0\}$ where N is a submodule of M . Then the annihilator of M is $(0 : M)$ where $(0 : M) = \{r \in R \mid rM = 0\}$. An R -module M is called a faithful module if $(0 : M) = (0)$. Note that if N is a primary submodule of M , then $(N : M)$ is a primary ideal of R and $rad(N : M) = \{r \in R \mid r^n M \subseteq N \text{ for some positive integer } n\}$ is a prime ideal of R ([1], [7], [6]).

Main aim is to obtain the two generalization on primary submodules and weakly primary submodules of an R -module M . Let N be a proper submodule of M . An element $r \in R$ is said to be primary to N if $r^n m \in N$, where $m \in M$ and n is a positive integer, then $m \in N$. Then $r \in R$ is said to be not primary to N if $r^n m \in N$ for some positive integer n and for some $m \in M \setminus N$. The set of all elements of R that are not primary to N is denoted by $P(N)$. Then we get $P(N) = \{r \in R \mid r^n m \in N \text{ for some positive integer } n, \text{ for some element } m \in M \setminus N\}$. If $N = (0)$, then $P((0)) = \{r \in R \mid r^n m = 0 \text{ for some positive integer } n, \text{ for some } 0 \neq m \in M\}$. A proper submodule N of M is said to be an \mathfrak{M} -primal if $P(N)$ forms an ideal of R .

2. $P(N)$ -Locally Primary and $P(N)$ -Locally Weakly Primary Submodules

Definition 1. Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . Then N is called a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule of M if $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for all maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} where $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.

Definition 2. A proper submodule N of an R -module M is called a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M if $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for every maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} where $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.

Lemma 1. Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . Then $rad(N : M) \subseteq P(N)$.

Proof. Let $r \in rad(N : M)$. Then $r^n M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n . There exists $m \in M \setminus N$ such that $r^n m \in N$. Then $r \in P(N)$. Thus $rad(N : M) \subseteq P(N)$.

Every primary submodule N is proposed as $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule and every weakly primary submodule N is proposed as $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule in the following propositions, respectively.

Proposition 1. A primary submodule N of an R -module M is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule.

Proof. Let \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R where $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. By the previous lemma, we say that $rad(N : M) \subseteq P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a proper submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Indeed, if $N_{\mathfrak{M}} = M_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $\frac{m}{1} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for any $m \in M$. Then $rm \in N$ for some $r \notin \mathfrak{M}$. We get $r^n \notin (N : M)$. Since N is a primary submodule of M , then $m \in N$. Thus $N = M$, a contradiction. Since $rad(N : M) \cap (R \setminus \mathfrak{M}) = \emptyset$, then $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Consequently, N is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule.

Proposition 2. *A weakly primary submodule N of an R -module M is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule.*

Proof. Suppose that \mathfrak{M} is a maximal ideal of R where $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. In the same manner as in the proof of the previous proposition, we have that $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a proper submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Let $0_{\mathfrak{M}} \neq \frac{r}{s} \frac{m}{p} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for some $\frac{r}{s} \in R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and $\frac{m}{p} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ (for some $r \in R, m \in M$ and $s, p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$). Then there is a $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ such that $qrm \in N$. Assume that $qrm = 0$. Then $\frac{r}{s} \frac{m}{p} = \frac{q}{q} \frac{r}{s} \frac{m}{p} = \frac{qrm}{qsp} = 0_{\mathfrak{M}}$, this is a contradiction. So $0 \neq qrm \in N$. As $rad(N : M) \subseteq P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, then $q \notin rad(N : M)$. Thus $rm \in N$ since N is a weakly primary submodule. It is clear that $rm \neq 0$. Hence $0 \neq rm \in N$ implies that $m \in N$ or $r^n M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n . Thus we get $\frac{m}{p} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ or $\frac{r^n}{s^n} M_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for some positive integer n by [2, Corollary 2.9]. Then we get that $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Consequently, N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule.

Corollary 1. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . If N is primary, then N is $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary.*

Proof. Assume that N is a primary submodule. Then N is a weakly primary submodule. Thus, N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule by Proposition 2.

Note that if N is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule of M , then N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .

We give an example to show the converse is not true.

Example 1. *Consider $R = F[X, Y, Z]$ -module $M = F[X, Y, Z]/(X^2, YZ)$ and the zero submodule $N = (0)$ of M . One can easily see that $P(N) = \{0, X, Y, Z, \dots\}$. Note that $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M} = (X, Y, Z)$ which is the unique maximal ideal of R . Then $N_{\mathfrak{M}} = (0)$ is weakly primary submodule of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ -module $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Thus N is $P(N)$ -weakly primary submodule. But $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is not primary submodule since, $\frac{Y}{1} \cdot \frac{Z}{1} = \frac{0}{1} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ but $(\frac{Y}{1})^n \notin (N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}}), (\frac{Z}{1}) \notin N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for all positive integer n . Thus N is not $P(N)$ -primary.*

In the following example, it is illustrated that a submodule N can be both $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule of M and $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M but it is neither primary submodule of M nor weakly primary submodule of M .

Example 2. *Let $R = \mathbb{Z}$ and consider the R -module $M = \mathbb{Z}_{12}$. Let N be the submodule of \mathbb{Z}_{12} generated by $\bar{6}$. It is easily seen that $\bar{0} \neq 2\bar{3} (= \bar{3}\bar{2}) \in N$ but $2 \notin (N : M)$ and $\bar{3} \notin N$*

($3 \notin (N : M)$ and $\bar{2} \notin N$), that is, N is not a weakly primary submodule of M , hence N is not a primary submodule of M . Assume that N is not a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule of M . Then there exists a maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ where $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is not a primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Note that $2, 3 \in P(N)$. Thus $1 \in \mathfrak{M}$, a contradiction. Therefore, N is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule of M . Hence N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .

Theorem 1. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . Then the following statements hold:*

i) N is a primary submodule if and only if $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$.

ii) Let $P(0) \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$. Then N is a primary submodule if and only if N is a weakly primary submodule.

Proof. *i)* Assume that N is a primary submodule. Let $r \in P(N)$. Then $r^n m \in N$ for some positive integer n and for some $m \in M \setminus N$. Since N is a primary submodule, then $(r^n)^k M = r^{nk} M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer k , that is, $r \in \text{rad}(N : M)$. Hence $P(N) \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$. By Lemma 1, we get $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$.

Suppose that $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$. Let $rm \in N$ and $m \in M \setminus N$ where $r \in R$, $m \in M$. Then $r \in P(N)$. Thus $r \in \text{rad}(N : M)$, that is, $r^k M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer k . Consequently, N is a primary submodule.

ii) It is clear that every primary submodule is a weakly primary submodule.

Now, assume that N is a weakly primary submodule. Let $r \in P(N)$. Then $r^n m \in N$ for some positive integer n and for some $m \in M \setminus N$. Suppose that $r^n m = 0$. Since $m \in M \setminus N$, then we get $m \neq 0$. So $r \in P(0)$. Thus $r \in \text{rad}(N : M)$, by assumption. Hence $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$ by Lemma 1. Suppose that $0 \neq r^n m \in N$. Since $m \in M \setminus N$ and N is a weakly primary submodule, then $(r^n)^k M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer k , that is, $r \in \text{rad}(N : M)$ and so $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$. By (i), N is a primary submodule.

Corollary 2. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M with $P(N) = \text{rad}(N : M)$. Then N is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule and $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule.*

Proof. We get that N is a primary submodule by Theorem 1 (i). Then N is a $P(N)$ -locally primary submodule by Proposition 1. Since N is primary submodule, then N is weakly primary submodule. Therefore, N is $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule by Proposition 2.

Note that, by [2, Lemma 2.19], if \mathfrak{M} is a maximal ideal of R , then $(N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq (N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Now, we explain that $\text{rad}((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = \text{rad}(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$ when \mathfrak{M} is a maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.

Proposition 3. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . Then $\text{rad}((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = \text{rad}(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$ for any maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.*

Proof. Since $S(N) \subseteq P(N)$ for any proper submodule N of M , it is clear from [2, Lemma 2.19 and Lemma 2.20].

Lemma 2. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M . Then $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for any maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.*

Proof. Let $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ for some $r \in R$ and $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Then $(\frac{r}{p})^n = \frac{r^n}{p^n} \in (N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for some positive integer n . There exists an element $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ such that $qr^n \in (N : M)$, that is, $qr^n m \in N$ for every $m \in M$. Then $r^n m \in N$ for every $m \in M$ since $q \notin P(N)$. Thus $r \in (N : M)$. Then $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Conversely, assume that $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. There is an $u \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ such that $ur \in rad(N : M)$. Then $(ur)^n = u^n r^n \in (N : M)$. Hence $\frac{u^n r^n}{u^n p^n} \in (N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Consequently, $\frac{r^n}{p^n} = (\frac{r}{p})^n \in (N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and so $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$.

Corollary 3. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module. If \mathfrak{M} is any maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, then $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$.*

Proof. It is clear from Proposition 3 and Lemma 2.

Proposition 4. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M and $m \in M$. Then $rad((N : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ for any maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.*

Proof. It is clear.

If we put $N = 0$ in Proposition 4, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 4. *Let M be an R -module and $m \in M$. Then $rad((0 : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad(0_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ for any maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R with $P(0) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$.*

Proposition 5. *Let N be a proper submodule of an R -module M and \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. Then the following statements hold:*

- i) Let $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. Then $rad(N : M)$ is a weakly prime ideal of R if and only if $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a weakly prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$.*
- ii) $rad(N : M)$ is a prime ideal of R if and only if $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$.*

Proof. *i)* Suppose that $rad(N : M)$ is a weakly prime ideal of R . If $rad(N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}} = R_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $\frac{1}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and so $q1 = q \in rad(N : M)$ for some $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. But by Lemma 1, $rad(N : M) \subseteq P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) \neq R_{\mathfrak{M}}$, that is, $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a proper ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Let $0 \neq \frac{r}{p} \frac{s}{q} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$, where $r, s \in R$ and $p, q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Then we have $\frac{r}{p} \frac{s}{q} = \frac{rs}{pq} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then there exists an $u \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ such that $urs \in rad(N : M)$. If $urs = 0$, then $\frac{r}{p} \frac{s}{q} = \frac{u}{u} \frac{r}{p} \frac{s}{q} = \frac{urs}{upq} = 0$, this is a contradiction. So $urs \neq 0$. Since $0 \neq urs \in rad(N : M)$ and $rad(N : M)$ is a weakly prime ideal of R , then $ur \in rad(N : M)$ or $s \in rad(N : M)$. Hence $\frac{r}{p} = \frac{ur}{u p} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$ or $\frac{s}{q} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$, that is, $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $\frac{s}{q} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$.

Assume that $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a weakly prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$. If $rad(N : M) = R$, then $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = R_{\mathfrak{M}}$, a contradiction. So $rad(N : M)$ is a proper ideal of R . Let $0 \neq ab \in rad(N : M)$ for some $a, b \in R$. Then $\frac{ab}{1} = \frac{a}{1} \frac{b}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. If $\frac{a}{1} \frac{b}{1} = 0$, then $qab = 0$ for some $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. As $0 \neq ab$, then $q \in P(0)$. Thus $q \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $0 \neq \frac{a}{1} \frac{b}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Since $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a weakly prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $\frac{a}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $\frac{b}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Therefore $pa \in rad(N : M)$ for some $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ or $sb \in rad(N : M)$ for some $s \notin \mathfrak{M}$. As $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ and $s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$, then $p, s \notin P(N)$. Consequently, $a \in rad(N : M)$ or $b \in rad(N : M)$.

ii) Assume that $rad(N : M)$ is a prime ideal of R . In a similar way, we get $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a proper ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Now, let $\frac{r}{p} \frac{s}{q} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$, where $r, s \in R$ and $p, q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Then we have $\frac{rs}{pq} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and so we have $urs \in rad(N : M)$ for some $u \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Since $rad(N : M)$ is a prime ideal of R , then $ur \in rad(N : M)$ or $s \in rad(N : M)$. Consequently, $\frac{r}{p} = \frac{ur}{up} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$ or $\frac{s}{q} \in (rad(N : M))_{\mathfrak{M}}$, that is, $\frac{r}{p} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $\frac{s}{q} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$.

Suppose that $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$. From (i), it is clear that $rad(N : M)$ is a proper ideal of R . Then $\frac{ab}{1} = \frac{a}{1} \frac{b}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ for some $a, b \in R$ and since $rad(N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a prime ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $\frac{a}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $\frac{b}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Thus $pa \in rad(N : M)$ for some $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ or $sb \in rad(N : M)$ for some $s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. As $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ and $s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$, then $p, s \notin P(N)$. Therefore, $a \in rad(N : M)$ or $b \in rad(N : M)$.

Proposition 6. *Let M be a faithful cyclic R -module and N be a proper submodule of M with $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. If N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M , then $rad(N : M)$ is a weakly prime ideal of R .*

Proof. Let \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. By [2, Proposition 2.18], $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a faithful cyclic $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ -module. Then $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Thus by [1, Proposition 2.3], $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a weakly prime submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By Proposition 3, $rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ is a weakly prime submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By Proposition 5 (i), $rad(N : M)$ is a weakly prime ideal of R .

Proposition 7. *Let M be an R -module. Suppose that N is an \mathfrak{M} -primal and a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M not primary submodule of M . If $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$ and I is an ideal of R such that $I \subseteq rad(N : M)$, then $IN = 0$. Particularly, $rad(N : M)N = 0$.*

Proof. Suppose that $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$ and I is an ideal of R such that $I \subseteq rad(N : M)$. Since N is \mathfrak{M} -primal, then $P(N)$ is an ideal of R . As $1 \notin P(N)$, then $P(N)$ is a proper ideal. Hence there is a maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R such that $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. Then, $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ because N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M . Our aim is to show that $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is not a primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Assume that $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Let $rm \in N$ for some $r \in R$, $m \in M$. Then $\frac{rm}{1} = \frac{r}{1} \frac{m}{1} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By assumption, $\frac{m}{1} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ or $(\frac{r}{1})^n M_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for some positive integer n . By using a similar technique in the previous proofs, $m \in N$ or $r^n M \subseteq N$ for some positive integer

n since $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, but this contradicts with N which is not a primary submodule of M . By [2, Lemma 2.19], $I_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq \text{rad}((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) \subseteq \text{rad}(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$. By [1, Corollary 3.4], $I_{\mathfrak{M}}N_{\mathfrak{M}} = 0$. We get $\frac{r}{1} \frac{m}{1} = \frac{rm}{1} = 0$ for every $r \in I$ and every $m \in N$. Therefore $qrm = 0$ for some $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. If $rm \neq 0$, then $q \in P(0)$ and so $q \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. Hence $rm = 0$, that is, $IN = 0$. Particularly, by putting $I = \text{rad}(N : M)$, we have $\text{rad}(N : M)N = 0$.

Proposition 8. ([2, Proposition 2.16]) *Let M be an R -module and \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R . If \bar{I} is an ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and \bar{N} is a submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then*

- i) $I = \{a \in R \mid \frac{a}{1} \in \bar{I}\}$ is an ideal of R and $\bar{I} = I_{\mathfrak{M}}$.*
- ii) $N = \{m \in M \mid \frac{m}{1} \in \bar{N}\}$ is a submodule of M and $\bar{N} = N_{\mathfrak{M}}$.*

Theorem 2. *Let N be an \mathfrak{M} -primal submodule of an R -module M with $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. Then N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M if and only if $0 \neq ID \subseteq N$ for some ideal I of R and some submodule D of M implies $I \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$ or $D \subseteq N$.*

Proof. Assume that N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M . Let $0 \neq ID \subseteq N$ for some ideal I of R and some submodule D of M . Since N is \mathfrak{M} -primal, then $P(N)$ is an ideal of R . As $1 \notin P(N)$, then $P(N)$ is a proper ideal. So we have $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ for some maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R . Thus $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Now, $I_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is an ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and $D_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ with $(ID)_{\mathfrak{M}} = I_{\mathfrak{M}}D_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Suppose that $I_{\mathfrak{M}}D_{\mathfrak{M}} = 0_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Then $\frac{r}{1} \frac{m}{1} = \frac{rm}{1} = 0$ for every $r \in I$ and every $m \in D$. So there exists a $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$ such that $qrm = 0$. If $rm \neq 0$, then $q \in P(0)$. Thus $q \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $rm = 0$, hence $ID = 0$, that is a contradiction. Then $0_{\mathfrak{M}} \neq I_{\mathfrak{M}}D_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Since N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M , then $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By [1, Theorem 3.6], either $I_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq \text{rad}(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $D_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Since $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, then $I \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$ or $D \subseteq N$.

Let \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. Since N is a proper ideal of R , then there is an $a \in M \setminus N$, but $\frac{a}{1} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. If $\frac{a}{1} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $qa \in N$ such that $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. As $a \in M \setminus N$, then $q \in P(N)$, that is, $q \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $\frac{a}{1} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}}/N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Hence $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a proper ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Let \bar{I} be an ideal of $R_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and \bar{D} be a submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$ with $0_{\mathfrak{M}} \neq \bar{I}\bar{D} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By [2, Proposition 2.16], $\bar{I} = I_{\mathfrak{M}}$, for some ideal I of R and $\bar{D} = D_{\mathfrak{M}}$, for some submodule D of M . So $0_{\mathfrak{M}} \neq I_{\mathfrak{M}}D_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$, that is, $0_{\mathfrak{M}} \neq (ID)_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Since $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, then $ID \subseteq N$. Also $0 \neq ID$. On the contrary, $(ID)_{\mathfrak{M}} = 0_{\mathfrak{M}}$. By the hypothesis, we have either $I \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$ or $D \subseteq N$. If $I \subseteq \text{rad}(N : M)$, then $\bar{I} = I_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq \text{rad}((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. If $D \subseteq N$, then $\bar{D} = D_{\mathfrak{M}} \subseteq N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. From [1, Theorem 3.6], $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Therefore, N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .

Corollary 5. *Let N be an \mathfrak{M} -primal submodule of an R -module M with $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. Then N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M if and only if N is a weakly primary submodule of M .*

Proof. It is clear from Theorem 2 and [1, Theorem 3.6].

Theorem 3. *Let M be an R -module and N be an \mathfrak{M} -primal submodule of M with $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- i) N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .*
- ii) For any $m \in M \setminus N$, $rad(N : Rm) = rad(N : M) \cup (0 : Rm)$.*
- iii) For any $m \in M \setminus N$, $rad(N : Rm) = rad(N : M)$ or $rad(N : Rm) = (0 : Rm)$.*

Proof. (*i* \implies *ii*): Let N be a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M and let $m \in M \setminus N$. Since N is \mathfrak{M} -primal, then $P(N)$ is an ideal of R . As $i \notin P(N)$, then $P(N)$ is a proper ideal. So we have $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ for some maximal ideal \mathfrak{M} of R . Hence $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. As $m \in M$, then $\frac{m}{1} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}}$, but $\frac{m}{1} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}} \setminus N_{\mathfrak{M}}$. If $\frac{m}{1} \in N_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $pm \in N$ for some $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Since $p \notin P(N)$, then $m \in N$, this is a contradiction. By [3, Theorem 2.15], $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : R_{\mathfrak{M}}\frac{m}{1}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}}) \cup (0_{\mathfrak{M}} : R_{\mathfrak{M}}\frac{m}{1})$ and from [2, Corollary 2.9], $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}}) \cup (0_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. Then by Proposition 3, Proposition 4 and Corollary 4, $rad((N : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}) \cup (0 : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Let $r \in rad(N : Rm)$. Then $\frac{r}{1} \in rad((N : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ and so $\frac{r}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ or $\frac{r}{1} \in (0 : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}$. If $\frac{r}{1} \in rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$, then $\frac{r^n}{1} \in (N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}}$ for some positive integer n and thus $qr^n \in (N : M)$ for some $q \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$, that is, $qr^nM \subseteq N$. Assume that $r^nM \not\subseteq N$. Then $r^n m \notin N$ for some $m \in M$, however $qr^n m \in N$. Hence $q \in P(N)$. Then $q \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $r^nM \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n , that is, $r \in rad(N : M)$. If $\frac{r}{1} \in (0 : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}$, then $pr \in (0 : Rm)$ for some $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Thus $prRm = 0$. Assume that $rRm \neq 0$. Then $rs m \neq 0$ for some $s \in R$, but $prsm = 0$. Therefore $p \in P(0)$. As $P(0) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$, then $p \in \mathfrak{M}$, which is a contradiction. So $rRm = 0$. Then $r \in (0 : Rm)$. Hence $r \in rad(N : M) \cup (0 : Rm)$. Conversely, let $r \in rad(N : M) \cup (0 : Rm)$. If $r \in rad(N : M)$, then $r^nM \subseteq N$ for some positive integer n and so we get $r^nRm \subseteq r^nM \subseteq N$. Thus $r \in rad(N : Rm)$. If $r \in (0 : Rm)$, then $rRm = 0 \subseteq N$. Thus $r \in (N : Rm) \subseteq rad(N : Rm)$.

(*ii* \implies *iii*): Clear.

(*iii* \implies *i*): Let \mathfrak{M} be a maximal ideal of R with $P(N) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. Let $\frac{m}{p} \in M_{\mathfrak{M}} \setminus N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ where $m \in M$, $p \in R \setminus \mathfrak{M}$. Then $m \in M \setminus N$. By the condition of the theorem, $rad(N : Rm) = rad(N : M)$ or $rad(N : Rm) = (0 : Rm)$ for some $m \in M \setminus N$. If $rad(N : Rm) = rad(N : M)$, then $rad((N : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad((N : M)_{\mathfrak{M}})$ and from Proposition 3 and Proposition 4 $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$. By [2, Proposition 2.8], $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : R_{\mathfrak{M}}\frac{m}{p}) = rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : M_{\mathfrak{M}})$. If $rad(N : Rm) = (0 : Rm)$, then $rad((N : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = (0 : Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and by Proposition 4 and Corollary 4, $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}}) = (0_{\mathfrak{M}} : (Rm)_{\mathfrak{M}})$. By [2, Proposition 2.8], $rad(N_{\mathfrak{M}} : R_{\mathfrak{M}}\frac{m}{p}) = (0_{\mathfrak{M}} : R_{\mathfrak{M}}\frac{m}{p})$. By [3, Theorem 2.15], $N_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a weakly primary submodule of $M_{\mathfrak{M}}$. Thus N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .

Theorem 4. *Let M be an R -module and N be an \mathfrak{M} -primal submodule of M with $P(0) \subseteq P(N)$. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- i) N is a $P(N)$ -locally weakly primary submodule of M .*
- ii) $0 \neq ID \subseteq N$ for any ideal I of R and any submodule D of M implies either $I \subseteq rad(N : M)$ or $D \subseteq N$.*

iii) $\text{rad}(N : Rm) = \text{rad}(N : M) \cup (0 : Rm)$ for any $m \in M \setminus N$.

iv) $\text{rad}(N : Rm) = \text{rad}(N : M)$ or $\text{rad}(N : Rm) = (0 : Rm)$ for any $m \in M \setminus N$.

Proof. It is clear from Theorem 2 and Theorem 3.

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