International Journal of Pure and Applied Mathematics Volume 87 No. 6 2013, 809-815 ISSN: 1311-8080 (printed version); ISSN: 1314-3395 (on-line version) url: http://www.ijpam.eu doi: http://dx.doi.org/10.12732/ijpam.v87i6.9



## ON STRONG IFP NEAR-RINGS

P. Dheena<sup>1</sup>, B. Elavarasan<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>Department of Mathematics Annamalai University Annamalainagar, 608 002, INDIA <sup>2</sup>Department of Mathematics Karunya University Coimbatore, 641 114, Tamilnadu, INDIA

**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce the notion of strong IFP and weak IFP near-rings. Weak IFP near-ring is a generalization of IFP near-ring. We study the basic properties of right weak IFP near-rings. We show that if N is a 2-primal near-ring and if N is strong IFP, then N is left weakly regular if and only if every prime ideal of N is maximal.

**AMS Subject Classification:** 16Y30 **Key Words:** regular, IFP near-ring, reduced, 2-primal and weakly regular

## 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, N denotes a zero-symmetric near-ring not necessarily with identity unless otherwise stated. Let P(N) denote the prime radical and N(N) the set of nilpotent elements of the near-ring N. For  $X \subseteq N$ , l(X) (resp. r(X)) and  $\langle x \rangle$  denote the left (resp. right) annihilator of X and the ideal of N generated by x respectively.

For any subsets A, B of N, we denote  $(A : B) = \{n \in N/nB \subseteq A\}$ . It is trival to check that if A is left ideal of N and B is a N-subgroup of N, then (A : B) is an ideal of N by [8, Corollary 1.43].

Received: September 6, 2013

© 2013 Academic Publications, Ltd. url: www.acadpubl.eu

A near-ring N is said to be reduced if N(N) = 0. A near-ring N is said to be regular if for any  $a \in N$ , there exists  $x \in N$  such that a = axa.

Recall that a near-ring N is said to be 2-primal if P(N) = N(N). A nearring N is subdirectly irreducible if N has nonzero intersection of nonzero ideals. A near-ring N is said to be strong IFP if  $xy \in P(N)$  implies xNy = 0 for  $x, y \in N$ . A near-ring N is said to be IFP if ab = 0 implies anb = 0 for all  $n \in N$  and  $a, b \in N$ . Clearly every strong IFP near-ring is a IFP near-ring. If N is reduced, then the notions of IFP and strong IFP coincide

A near-ring N is said to be left weak IFP if ab = 0 for  $a(\neq 0), b \in N$  implies a'Nb = 0 for some  $a'(\neq 0) \in \langle a \rangle$ . The right weak *IFP* can be defined symmetrically. A near-ring N is said to be weak IFP if ab = 0 for any nonzero elements  $a, b \in N$  implies a'Nb' = 0 for some  $a'(\neq 0) \in \langle a \rangle$  and  $b'(\neq 0) \in \langle b \rangle$ .

Clearly IFP near-ring is a weak IFP near-ring, but the converse need not be true as the following example shows.

**Example 1.1.** Let  $N = \begin{pmatrix} F & F \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$  where  $F = \{0, 1\}$  is the field under addition and multiplication modulo 2. Then N is a weak IFP near-ring but not IFP near-ring, since if  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then xy = 0 and  $xNy \neq 0$ . Here N is neither left weak IFP nor right weak IFP.

Clearly every strong IFP near-rings are IFP near-rings, however IFP near-ring need not be strong IFP as can be seen by the following example.

**Example 1.2.** Let (N, +) (where  $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$ ) be the klein's four group. Define multiplication in N as follows

Then (N, +, .) is a near-ring (see Pilz[8], P-408, Scheme-11) which is a IFP near-ring but not a strong IFP near-ring, since  $ab \in P(N)$ , but  $aNb \neq 0$ .

Clearly every reduced near-ring is a 2-primal and strong IFP near-ring, but the converse need not be true as the following example shows.

**Example 1.3.** Let (N, +) (where  $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$ ) be the klein's four group. Define multiplication in N as follows

	0	a	b	с
0	0	0	0	0
a b	0	a	0	a
	0	0	0	0
с	0	a	0	a

Then (N, +, .) is a near-ring (see Pilz[8], P-408, Scheme-12) which is a 2-primal and strong IFP near-ring, but not reduced.

G.F.Birkenmeier, J.Y.Kim and J.K.Park [2] have shown that a reduced ring R is weakly regular if and only if every prime ideal of R is maximal. We extend this result to strong IFP near-rings which are 2-primal. For basic terminology in near-ring we refer to Pilz [8].

## 2. Main Results

**Lemma 2.1.** Let N be a near-ring with identity. If N is left weak IFP, then for any  $x, y \in N$  with xy = 1 implies yx = 1.

Proof. Let N be a left weak IFP near-ring and xy = 1. Suppose  $yx \neq 1$ . Then (1 - yx)yx = 0. Since N is left weak IFP, we have x'Nyx = 0 for some  $x'(\neq 0) \in <1 - yx > .$  Now, x'Ny = x'Nyxy = 0. Then  $x' = x'xy \in x'Ny = 0$ , a contradiction.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let N be a regular near-ring. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) N is a right weak IFP near-ring

ii) If  $x \neq 0 \in r(a)$ , then r(a) contains a non-zero ideal I with  $I \subseteq \langle x \rangle$ 

iii) If  $x \neq 0 \in r(a)$ , r(aN) contains a non-zero ideal I with  $I \subseteq \langle x \rangle$ 

iv) If  $x \neq 0 \in r(a)$ ,  $i \in r(aN)$  for some  $i \neq 0 \in x > a$ 

Proof.  $i) \Rightarrow ii$  Let  $x \neq 0 \in r(a)$ . Then aNx' = 0 for some non-zero element  $x' \in \langle x \rangle$ . For any  $n \in N$ , x'na = (x'na)t(x'na) = x'n(atx')na = 0 for some  $t \in N$ . Thus x'Na = 0 and so  $\langle x' \rangle Na = 0$ . Let  $y \in \langle x' \rangle$ . Then by regularity of N, we have ay = 0. Thus  $a < x' \geq 0$ .

 $ii) \Rightarrow iii)$  Let  $x \neq 0 \in r(a)$ . Then aI = 0 and so aNI = 0.

 $iii) \Rightarrow iv$ ) It is obvious.

 $iv) \Rightarrow i)$  Let ab=0 for  $a(\neq 0), b \in N.$  Then  $b^{'} \in r(aN)$  for some  $b^{'}(\neq 0) \in < b >$  . Thus  $aNb^{'}=0.$ 

We now give an example to show that Proposition 2.2 is not true if N is not a regular near-ring.

**Example 2.3.** Consider the dihedral group  $N = \{0, a, 2a, 3a, b, a + b, 2a + b, 3a+b\}$  with addition and multiplication defined as in Pilz ([9, P-339, Scheme-2]).

	0	a	2a	3a	b	a+b	2a+b	3a+b
							0	
a	0	a	2a	3a	b	a+b	2a+b	3a+b
2a	0	2a	0	2a	0	0	0	0
3a	0	3a	2a	a	b	a+b	2a+b	3a+b
b	0	b	2a	b	b	0	2a+b	0
a+b	0	a+b	0	3a+b	0	a+b	0	3a+b
2a+b	0	2a+b	2a	2a+b	b	0	2a+b	0
3a+b	0	3a+b	0	a+b	0	a+b	0	3a+b

Then (N, +, .) is a near-ring. Clearly (N, +, .) is a right weak IFP and  $a + b \in r(b)$ , but r(b) does not contains a non-zero ideal I with  $I \subseteq \langle a + b \rangle$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let N be a near-ring with identity. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) N is a left weak IFP near-ring

ii) If  $x \neq 0 \in l(a)$ , then l(a) contains a non-zero ideal I with  $I \subseteq \langle x \rangle$ 

iii) If  $x \neq 0 \in l(a)$ , then l(Na) contains a non-zero ideal I with  $I \subseteq \langle x \rangle$ iv) If  $x \neq 0 \in l(a)$ , then  $i \in l(Na)$  for some  $i \neq 0 \in \langle x \rangle$ 

Proof. Proof is as similar in Proposition 2.2.

**Lemma 2.5.** Let N be a regular near-ring. If N is subdirectly irreducible, then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) N is a right weak IFP near-ring

ii) if  $x \neq 0 \in r(S)$ , then r(S) contains a non-zero ideal I of N with  $I \subseteq \langle x \rangle$  for any subset S of N.

Proof.  $i \Rightarrow ii$ ) Let N be a right weak IFP near-ring and  $x \in r(S)$  for any subset S of N. For any  $s_i \in S$ , by Proposition 2.2, we have  $r(s_i)$  contains a non-zero ideal  $I_i$  of N with  $I_i \subseteq \langle x \rangle$  and so  $0 \neq \cap I_i \subseteq \langle x \rangle$  with  $S(\cap I_i) = 0$ .  $ii \Rightarrow i$ ) It is trivial.

**Proposition 2.6.** Let N be a regular near-ring. If N is subdirectly irreducible, then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) N is a right weak IFP near-ring

ii) N is a reduced near-ring

iii) N is a strong IFP near-ring

iv) N is a IFP near-ring.

Proof.  $i) \Rightarrow ii$  Let  $a(\neq 0) \in N$  such that  $a^2 = 0$ . Since N is regular, we have a = axa for some  $x \in N$ . Set e = ax. Let  $S = \{n - ne/n \in N\}$ . Then r(S) contains a non-zero ideal J with  $J \subseteq \langle e \rangle$  and so nj = nej for all  $n \in N$  and for all  $j \in J$ . Let  $j(\neq 0) \in J$ . Then there exists  $y \in N$  such that  $j = jyj = j(yj) = je(yj) = ja(xyj) = (ja)e(xyj) = ja^2x^2yj = 0$ , a contradiction.

- $ii) \Rightarrow iii$ ) It follows from Proposition 2.94 of [8].
- $iii) \Rightarrow iv$  and  $iv) \Rightarrow i$  are trival.

Hereafter N denote a zero-symmetric near-ring with left identity. Following G. F. Birkenmeier and N. J. Groenewald [1], a near-ring N is said to be left (resp. right) weakly  $\pi$ -regular if  $x^n \in \langle x^n \rangle x^n$  (resp.  $x^n \in x^n \langle x^n \rangle$ ) for all  $x \in N$  and for some natural number n = n(x). A near-ring N is called weakly  $\pi$ -regular if N is both left and right weakly  $\pi$ -regular. A weakly  $\pi$ -regular near-ring is called weakly regular when n = 1.

A near-ring N is said to be left (resp. right) pseudo  $\pi$ -regular if  $x^n \in \langle x \rangle x^n$  (resp.  $x^n \in x^n \langle x \rangle$ ) for all  $x \in N$  and for some natural number n = n(x). A near-ring N is called pseudo  $\pi$ -regular if N is both left and right pseudo  $\pi$ -regular.

**Proposition 2.7.** Let P be a completely prime ideal of N. If N/P(N) is a left weakly  $\pi$ -regular near-ring, then P is a maximal ideal of N.

Proof. Let P be a completely prime ideal of N and N/P(N) be a left weakly  $\pi$ -regular near-ring. Suppose M is an ideal of N such that  $P \subset M$ . Let  $a \in M \setminus P$ . Then  $P + \langle a \rangle \subseteq M$ . Since  $N/P(N) = \overline{N}$  is a left weakly  $\pi$ -regular, we have  $\overline{Na}^n = \langle \overline{a}^n \rangle \overline{a}^n$  for some positive integer n. So  $\overline{Na}^n = \overline{Ma}^n$ . Hence  $\overline{a}^n = \overline{ba}^n$  for some  $\overline{b} \in \overline{M}$  and so  $(1 - b)a^n \in P$  which implies N = M.

**Corollary 2.8.** (5 Theorem 2.3) Let P be a completely prime ideal of a ring R. If P/P(R) is a left weakly  $\pi$ -regular near-ring, then P is a maximal ideal of R.

G.F.Birkenmeier, J.Y.Kim and J.K.Park [2] have shown that a reduced ring R is weakly regular if and only if R is right weakly regular and if and only if every prime ideal of R is maximal. We shall prove this result under generalized conditions.

**Proposition 2.9.** Let N be a 2-primal near-ring. If N is strong IFP, then the following conditions are equivalent:

- i) N is left weakly regular
- ii) N is left weakly  $\pi$ -regular
- iii) N/P(N) is left weakly  $\pi$ -regular

iv) N/P(N) is left pseudo  $\pi$ -regular

v) Every prime ideal of N is maximal.

Proof.  $i) \Rightarrow ii$ ,  $ii) \Rightarrow iii$  and  $iii) \Rightarrow iv$  Proofs are trival.  $iv) \Rightarrow v$  It follows from Corollary 3.10 of [1].  $v) \Rightarrow i$  Suppose N is not a left weakly regular. Then there exists an element  $a \in N$  such that  $a \notin a > a$ . Let T be a union of all prime ideals of N, such that each of them contain a. Let  $S = N \setminus T$ . Then S is a multiplicative closed subset of N by Theorem 5 of [4]. Let F be the multiplicative closed system generated by  $\{a\} \cup S$ . Suppose  $0 \notin F$ . Then there exists a proper prime ideal M of N with  $M \cap F = \phi$  by Proposition 2.81 of [8]. Since  $a \notin M$ , we have  $M + \langle a \rangle = N$  and so there exists  $b \in M$  and  $c \in \langle a \rangle$  such that b + c = 1. Clearly  $b \notin T$ , which implies  $b \in F \cap M = \phi$ , a contradiction. Thus  $0 \in F$ .

So  $0 = a^{n_1} s_1 a^{n_2} \dots a^{n_t} s_t$  where  $s_i \in S$  and  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_t$  are positive integers. For any prime ideal P, we have  $a^{n_1} s_1 a^{n_2} \dots a^{n_t} s_t \in P$ . Since P is completely prime, we have  $a \in P$  or  $s_i \in P$  for some i. Let  $s = s_1 s_2 \dots s_t$ . Then for any prime ideal P; either  $a \in P$  or  $s \in P$ . Then  $sa \in P(N)$ . Since N is a strong IFP nearring, we have sNa = 0. Then  $\langle s \rangle Na = 0$ . Observe that a prime ideal can not contains both a and s; otherwise a prime ideal would contain both of them, which contradicts the definitions of S and T which implies  $\langle s \rangle + \langle a \rangle = N$ and so N is a left weakly regular near-ring.

**Corollary 2.10** (2, Theorem 8). Let R be a reduced ring. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) R is weakly regular

ii) R is right weakly  $\pi$ -regular

iii) Every prime ideal of R is maximal

*Proof.* The proof is an immediate consequence of Proposition 2.9 and Theorem 12 of [3].

**Corollary 2.11** (2, Corollary 9). Let R be a 2-primal ring. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

i) R/P(R) is weakly regular

ii) R/P(R) is right weakly regular

iii) Every prime ideal of R is maximal.

## References

 G. F. Birkenmeier and N. J. Groenewald, Near-ring in which each prime factor is simple, Mathematics Pannonica, 10, 257 - 269 (1999).

- [2] G.F. Birkenmeier, J.K.Kim and J.K.Park, A connection between weak regularity and the simplicity of prime factor rings, Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 122, 53 - 58 (1991).
- [3] P. Dheena and D. Sivakumar, Left prime weakly regular near-rings, Tamkang J. Math., 36(4), 309 - 313 (2005).
- [4] P. Dheena and G. Satheeskumar, *Completely 2-primal ideals in 2-primal near-rings*, Tamsui Oxf. J. Math. Sci., to be appear.
- [5] C.Y.Hong, N.K.Kim and T.K.Kwak, On rings whose prime ideals are maximal, Bull. Korean. Math. Soc. 37, 1 - 9 (2000).
- [6] C.Y.Hong, Y.C.Jeon, K.H.Kim, N.K.Kim and Y.Lee, Weakly regular rings with ACC on annihilators and maximality of strongly prime ideals of weakly regular rings, J. Pure Appl. Math, 207, 565 - 574 (2006).
- [7] S. U. Hwang, Y. C. Jeon and K. S. Park, A generalization of insertion-offactors-property, Bull. Korean Math. Soc., 44, 87 - 94 (2007).
- [8] G. Pilz, Near-Rings, North-Holland, Amsterdam, 1983.