

NEAR LATTICE OF FINITELY GENERATED PRINCIPAL N-IDEALS WHICH FORMS A NORMAL NEARLATTICE

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Abstract:

In this paper the author generalize several results of normal nearlattices in terms of n -ideals. It has been proved that the nearlattice of finitely generated principal n -ideals $P_n(S)$ is normal if and only if each prime n -ideal contains a unique minimal prime n -ideal. Also it has been shown that $P_n(S)$ is normal if and only if $(\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^ = \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$ for all $x, y \in S$.*

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এই পত্রে প্রবন্ধকার n -আইডিয়ালের (n -ideal) পক্ষে স্বাভাবিক নিকট-ল্যাটিসের (nearlattice) বহুবিধ ফলাফলকে সামান্যীকরণ করেছেন। ইহা প্রমাণ করা হয়েছে যে নিকট-ল্যাটিসের সসীমভাবে সৃষ্ট মূখ্য n -আইডিয়াল $P_n(S)$ স্বাভাবিক হয় যদি এবং কেবলমাত্র যদি n -আইডিয়ালের একটি অধিতীয় লঘিষ্ঠ মৌলিক n -আইডিয়াল ধারণ করে। এটাও দেখানো হয়েছে যে $P_n(S)$ স্বাভাবিক হয় যদি এবং কেবলমাত্র যদি $(\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^* = \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$ সকল $x, y \in S$ ।

1. Introduction

Normal lattices have been studied by several author including Cornish [2] and Monterio [5]. A distributive nearlattice S with 0 is *normal* if every prime ideal of S contains a unique minimal prime ideal. Equivalently, S is called *normal* if each prime filter of S is contained in a unique ultrafilter (maximal and proper) of S .

In this paper, we have generalized several important results of normal nearlattices in terms of n -ideals by using some results on minimal prime n -ideals. We have proved that $P_n(S)$ is normal if and only if each prime n -ideal contains a unique minimal prime n -ideal.

1.Preliminaries: For a fixed element $n \in S$, a convex subnearlattice containing n is called an n -ideal. The concept of n -ideals is a kind of generalization of ideals and filters of a nearlattice. For detailed literature on n -ideals we refer the reader to consult [3] and [4].

For a medial element n , an n -ideal P of a nearlattice S is called a *prime n -ideal* if $P \neq S$ and $m(x, n, y) \in P$ ($x, y \in S$) implies either $x \in P$ or $y \in P$ where $m(r, n, s) = (r \wedge n) \vee (n \wedge s) \vee (r \wedge s)$.

The set of all n -ideals of a nearlattice S is denoted by $I_n(S)$ which is an algebraic nearlattice. For two n -ideals I and J of a nearlattice S , $I \vee J = \{x: i \wedge j \leq x = \bigvee_{r=1}^p (x \wedge a_r) \text{ for some positive integer } p \text{ where } i, j \in I \cup J\}$ while the set theoretic intersection is their infimum. Moreover, $I \cap J = \{m(i, n, j): i \in I, j \in J\}$.

An n -ideal generated by a finite number of elements a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m is called a *finitely generated n -ideal*, denoted by $\langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m \rangle_n$. By [3], $\langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m \rangle_n = \{y \in S: a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_m \wedge n \leq y = (y \wedge a_1) \vee \dots \vee (y \wedge a_m) \vee (y \wedge n)\}$, provided S is distributive

$$= \langle a_1 \wedge a_2 \wedge \dots \wedge a_m \wedge n, a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee n \rangle_n.$$

The set of finitely generated n -ideals is denoted by $F_n(S)$ which is a nearlattice.

An n -ideal generated by a single element a is called a *principal n -ideal*, denoted by $\langle a \rangle_n$. The set of principal n -ideals is denoted by $P_n(S)$.

Moreover, by [3] we have following result.

Proposition 1.1 For a central element $n \in S$, $P_n(S) \cong (n)^d \times [n]$.

A prime n -ideal P is said to be a *minimal prime n -ideal* belonging to n -ideal I if (i) $I \subseteq P$ and (ii) There exists no prime n -ideal Q such that $Q \neq P$ and $I \subseteq Q \subseteq P$

A prime n -ideal P of a nearlattice S is called a *minimal prime n -ideal* if there exists no prime n -ideal Q such that $Q \neq P$ and $Q \subseteq P$. Thus a minimal prime n -ideal is a minimal prime n -ideal belonging to $\{n\}$.

For any n -ideals J of a distributive nearlattice S , we define

$J^* = \{x \in S : m(x, n, j) = n \text{ for all } j \in J\}$ where n is a medial element.

Obviously, J^* is an n -ideal and $J \cap J^* = \{n\}$. In fact, this is the largest n -ideal which annihilates J and so it is the pseudocomplement of J in $I_n(S)$. Moreover, for a distributive nearlattice S , $I_n(S)$ is a distributive algebraic nearlattice and so it is pseudocomplemented.

Recently [1] have established the following results on prime n -ideal of a nearlattice. These results will be needed in establishing the other results of the paper.

Lemma 1.2 *If n is a medial element and P is a prime n -ideal of a nearlattice S . Then P contains either (n) or $[n]$, but not both. \square*

Lemma 1.3 *Let n be a medial element of a nearlattice S . Then every prime n -ideal P of S is either an ideal or a filter. If it is an ideal, then it is also a prime ideal. If it is a filter, then it is a prime filter. \square*

Lemma 1.4 *Let I be an ideal and D be a convex sub-nearlattice of a distributive nearlattice S with $I \cap D = \phi$. Then there exists a prime ideal $P \supseteq I$ such that $P \cap D = \phi$. \square*

Lemma 1.5 *Let n be a medial element of a distributive nearlattice S . Then every*

n -ideal I of S is the intersection of all prime n -ideals containing it. \square

Theorem 1.6 *Let S be a distributive nearlattice with an upper element n and let I, J be two n -ideals of S . Then for any $x \in I \vee J$, $x \vee n = i \vee j$ and $x \wedge n = i' \wedge j'$ for some $i, i' \in I, j, j' \in J$ with $i, j \geq n$ and $i', j' \leq n$.*

Proof. It is very easy. So we omit this proof.

2. Nearlattices whose $P_n(S)$ are normal nearlattices.

We start with the following results due to [2, Lemma 1.4].

Lemma 2.1 *If S_1 is a subnearlattice of a distributive nearlattice S and P_1 is a prime ideal (filter) in S_1 , then there exists a prime ideal (filter) P in S such that $P_1 = P \cap S_1$. \square*

Lemma 2.2 *Let S be a distributive nearlattice and $n \in S$ be a medial element. Then for any $I, J \in I_n(S)$, $(I \cap J)^* \cap I = J^* \cap I$.*

Proof. Since $I \cap J \subseteq J$, so R.H.S. \subseteq L.H.S.

To prove the reverse inclusion, let $x \in$ L.H.S. Then $x \in I$ and $m(x, n, t) = n$ for all $t \in I \cap J$. Since $x \in I$, so $m(x, n, j) \in I \cap J$. Thus, $m(x, n, m(x, n, j)) = n$. But it can be easily seen that $m(x, n, m(x, n, j)) = m(x, n, j)$. This implies $m(x, n, j) = n$ for all $j \in J$. Hence $x \in$ R.H.S., and so L.H.S. \subseteq R.H.S. Thus $(I \cap J)^* \cap I = J^* \cap I$. \square

Lemma 2.3 *Suppose n is a medial element of a nearlattice S . If $I \subseteq J$, $I, J \in I_n(S)$, then (i) $I^+ = I^* \cap J$ and (ii) $I^{++} = I^{**} \cap J$.*

Proof. (i) is trivial. For (ii), using (i), we have,

$$I^{++} = (I^+)^* \cap J = (I^* \cap J)^* \cap J. \text{ Thus by Lemma 2.1, } I^{++} = I^{**} \cap J. \quad \square$$

Theorem 2.4 *Suppose S be a distributive nearlattice and $n \in S$. Let $x, y \in S$ with*

$\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$. *Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

$$(i) \quad \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* = S.$$

(ii) *For any $t \in S$, $\langle m(x, n, t) \rangle_n^+ \vee \langle m(y, n, t) \rangle_n^+ = \langle t \rangle_n$ where*

$\langle m(x, n, t) \rangle_n^+$ *denote the relative pseudo-complement of $\langle m(x, n, t) \rangle_n$ in $[\{n\}, \langle t \rangle_n]$.*

Proof. It is obvious by using Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3.

Following result is due to [2]

Theorem 2.5 *Let S be a distributive nearlattice with 0. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i) S is normal.
- (ii) Every prime ideal contains a unique minimal prime ideal.
- (iii) For all $x, y \in S$, $x \wedge y = 0$ implies $(x)^* \vee (y)^* = S$.
- (iv) $(x \wedge y)^* = (x)^* \vee (y)^*$.
- (v) For any two minimal prime ideals P and Q of S , $P \vee Q = S$. \square

Theorem 2.6 *Let S be a distributive nearlattice and n be a central element of S . The following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i) $P_n(S)$ is normal.
- (ii) Every prime n -ideal of S contains a unique minimal prime n -ideal.
- (iii) For any two minimal prime n -ideals P and Q of S , $P \vee Q = S$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let $P_n(S)$ be normal, since $P_n(S) \cong (n)^d \times [n]$, so both $(n)^d$ and $[n]$ are normal. Suppose P is any prime n -ideal of S . Then by Lemma 1.2, either $P \supseteq (n)$ or $P \supseteq [n]$. Without loss of generality, suppose $P \supseteq (n)$. Then by Lemma 1.3, P is prime ideal of S . Hence by Lemma 2.1, $P_1 = P \cap [n]$ is a prime ideal of $[n]$. Since $[n]$ is normal, so by [2, Th. 2.4] P_1 contains a unique minimal prime ideal R_1 of $[n]$. Therefore, P contains a unique minimal prime ideal R of S where $R_1 = R \cap [n]$. Since $n \in R_1$ so $n \in R$ and hence R is a minimal prime n -ideal of S . Thus (ii) holds.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i). Suppose (ii) holds. Let P_1 be a prime ideal in $[n]$. Then by Lemma 2.1, $P_1 = P \cap [n]$ for some prime ideal P of S . Since $n \in P_1 \subseteq P$, so P is prime n -ideal. Therefore, P contains a unique minimal prime n -ideal R of S . Thus by Lemma 2.1 P_1 contains the unique minimal prime ideal $R_1 = R \cap [n]$.

$\cap [n]$ of $[n]$. Hence by definition $[n]$ is normal. Similarly, we can prove that $[n]^d$ is also normal. Since $P_n(S) \cong [n]^d \times [n]$, so $P_n(S)$ is normal.

(ii) \Leftrightarrow (iii) is trivial. \square

For a prime ideal P of a distributive nearlattice S with 0 , Cornish in [2] has defined $0(P) = \{x \in S: x \wedge y = 0 \text{ for some } y \in S - P\}$. Clearly, $0(P)$ is an ideal and $0(P) \subseteq P$. Cornish in [2] has shown that $0(P)$ is the intersection of all the minimal prime ideals of S which are contained in P .

For a prime n -ideal P of a distributive nearlattice S , we write $n(P) = \{y \in S: m(y, n, x) = n \text{ for some } x \in S - P\}$. Clearly, $n(P)$ is an n -ideal and $n(P) \subseteq P$.

Lemma 2.7 *Let n be a medial element of a distributive nearlattice S and P be a prime n -ideal in S . Then each minimal prime n -ideal belonging to $n(P)$ is contained in P .*

Proof. Let Q be a minimal prime n -ideal belonging to $n(P)$. If $Q \not\subseteq P$, then choose $y \in Q - P$. Since Q is a prime n -ideal, so by Lemma 1.3, we know that Q is either an ideal or a filter. Without loss of generality, suppose Q is an ideal. Now let

$T = \{t \in S: m(y, n, t) \in n(P)\}$. We shall show that $T \not\subseteq Q$.

If not, let $D = (S - Q) \vee [y]$. Then $n(P) \cap D = \emptyset$.

For otherwise, $y \wedge r \in n(P)$ for some $r \in S - Q$. Then by convexity,

$y \wedge r \leq m(y, n, r) \leq (y \wedge r) \vee n$ implies $m(y, n, r) \in n(P)$.

Hence $r \in T \subseteq Q$, which is a contradiction. Thus by Stone's separation theorem for

n -ideals, there exists a prime n -ideal R containing $n(P)$ disjoint to D . Then $R \subseteq Q$.

Moreover, $R \neq Q$ as $y \notin R$, this shows that Q is not a minimal prime n -ideal belonging to $n(P)$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, $T \not\subseteq Q$. Hence there exists

$z \notin Q$ such that $m(y, n, z) \in n(P)$. Thus $m(m(y, n, z), n, x) = n$ for some $x \in S - P$. It is easy to see that $m(m(y, n, z), n, x) = m(m(y, n, x), n, z)$.

Hence $m(m(y, n, x), n, z) = n$. Since P is prime and $y, x \notin P$ so $m(y, n, x) \notin P$.

Therefore, $z \in n(P) \subseteq Q$, which is a contradiction. Hence $Q \subseteq P$. \square

Proposition 2.8 *If n is a medial element of a distributive nearlattice S and P is a prime n -ideal in S , then $n(P)$ is the intersection of all minimal prime n -ideals contained in P .*

Proof. Clearly, $n(P)$ is contained in any prime n -ideal which is contained in P . Hence $n(P)$ is contained in the intersection of all minimal prime n -ideals contained in P . Since S is distributive, so by Lemma 1.5, $n(P)$ is the intersection of all minimal prime n -ideals belonging to it. Since each prime n -ideal contains a minimal prime n -ideal, above remarks and Lemma 2.7 establish the proposition. \square

Theorem 2.9 *Let S be a distributive nearlattice and let n be central element in S . Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i) $P_n(S)$ is normal.
- (ii) Every prime n -ideal contains a unique minimal prime n -ideal.
- (iii) For each prime n -ideal P , $n(P)$ is prime n -ideal.
- (iv) For all $x, y \in S$, $\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$ implies $\langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* = S$.
- (v) For all $x, y \in S$, $(\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^* = \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) holds by Theorem 2.6

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) is a direct consequence of Lemma 2.7.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). Suppose (iii) holds.

Consider $x, y \in S$ with $\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$.

If $\langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* \neq S$, then by Lemma 1.4, there exists a prime n -ideal P such that $\langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* \subseteq P$, then $\langle x \rangle_n^* \subseteq P$ and $\langle y \rangle_n^* \subseteq P$ imply

$x \notin n(P)$ and $y \notin n(P)$. But $n(P)$ is prime and so $m(x, n, y) = n \in n(P)$ is contradictory. Therefore, $\langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* = S$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (v). Obviously, $\langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* \subseteq (\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^*$.

Conversely, let $w \in (\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^*$. Then, $\langle w \rangle_n \cap \langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$

or,

$$\langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$$

So by (iv), $\langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^* = S$.

So, $w \in \langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$.

Therefore, $w \wedge n, w \vee n \in \langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$. Here $w \vee n$ exists as n is an upper element. Then by Theorem 1.6, $w \vee n = r \vee s$ for some $r \in \langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n^*$ and $s \in \langle y \rangle_n^*$ with $r, s \geq n$.

Now $r \in \langle m(w, n, x) \rangle_n^*$ implies

$r \wedge [(w \wedge n) \vee (w \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge n)] \vee (r \wedge n) \vee [(w \wedge n) \vee (x \wedge n) \vee (w \wedge x)] \wedge n = n$. Observe that above left hand expression exists as S is medial. That is, $(r \wedge w \wedge n) \vee (r \wedge w \wedge x) \vee (r \wedge x \wedge n) \vee (r \wedge n) \vee (w \wedge n) \vee (x \wedge n) = n$, and so $(r \wedge w \wedge x) \vee n = n$. This implies $(r \vee n) \wedge (w \vee n) \wedge (x \vee n) = n$, so $(r \vee n) \wedge (x \vee n) = n$ as

$r \vee n \leq w \vee n$. Thus, $(r \wedge x) \vee n = n$. Hence $(r \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge n) \vee (r \wedge n) = n$, which implies $r \in \langle x \rangle_n^*$.

Therefore, $w \vee n \in \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$.

A dual proof of above shows that $w \wedge n \in \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$. So by convexity,

$w \in \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$. Therefore, $(\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^* \subseteq \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$, and so

$(\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n)^* = \langle x \rangle_n^* \vee \langle y \rangle_n^*$, which is (v).

(v) \Rightarrow (iv). Let $\langle x \rangle_n \cap \langle y \rangle_n = \{n\}$, for some $x, y \in S$.