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# A NOTE ON EQUALITIES OF RADICALS IN A SEMIGROUP

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Let S be a semigroup with an ideal  $J \subseteq S$ . All ideals in the following are supposed to be two-sided. The principal twosided ideal of S generated by an element  $a \in S$  is denoted by J(a).

An element  $x \in S$  is called nilpotent with respect to J if  $x^n \in J$  for some positive integer n. An ideal, or a subsemigroup I of S is called nilpotent with respect to J if  $I^n \subseteq J$  for some positive integer n. An ideal I of S is called a nilideal with respect to J if each element of I is nilpotent with respect to J. An ideal I, each finitely generated subsemigroup of which is nilpotent with respect to J, is called a locally nilpotent ideal with respect to J. An ideal P of S is called prime if for any two ideals A, B of S,  $AB \subseteq P$  implies that either  $A \subseteq P$  or  $B \subseteq P$ . An ideal P of S is called completely prime if for any a,  $b \in S$  ab  $\in P$  implies that either  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ .

The set of all nilpotent elements of S with respect to J will be denoted by N(J). The union R(J) of all nilpotent ideals of S with respect to J is called the Schwarz radical of S with respect to J. The union L(J) of all locally nilpotent ideals of S with respect to J is called the Ševrin radical of S with respect to J. The union  $R^*(J)$  of all nilideals of S with respect to J is called the Clifford radical of S with respect to J. The intersection M(J) of all prime ideals of S which contain J is called the McCoy radical of S with respect to J. The intersection C(J) of all completely prime ideals of S which contain J is called the Luh radical of S with respect to J.

R. Šulka [4, Lemma 19] and J. Bosák [1, Theorem 2] proved that in an arbitrary semigroup S with an ideal J we have

$$R(J) \subseteq M(J) \subseteq L(J) \subseteq R^*(J) \subseteq N(J) \subseteq C(J).$$
(1)

In a commutative semigroup S as proved by R. Šulka [4, Theorem 7] and J. Bosák [1, Corollary 1] we have

$$R(J) = M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J).$$

A semigroup S is called a  $C_2$ -semigroup if xyzyx = yxzxy for all x, y, z of S. J. E. Kuczkowski [2] proved that in a  $C_2$ -semigroup S we have  $M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J)$  for every ideal J of S.

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R. Šulka [5, p. 276] gave an example of a  $C_2$ -semigroup with  $R(J) \neq M(J)$ .

B. Pondělíček [3] studied in a semigroup S the necessary and sufficient condition in order that

$$M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J)$$
(2)

holds for every ideal J of S.

The purpose of this note is to give in an arbitrary semigroup S necessary and sufficient conditions which are equivalent to the condition of B. Pondělíček [3, Theorem] such that (2) holds for every ideal J of S.

**Lemma 1** (B. Pondělíček [3, Theorem]). Let S be a semigroup. Then (2) holds for every ideal J of S if and only if

$$J(a) \cap J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab))$$

for all a, b of S.

**Theorem 2.** Let S be a semigroup. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(I) The equalities  $M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J)$  hold for every ideal J of S.

(II)  $J(a) \cap J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab))$  holds for all a, b of S.

(III)  $J(a)J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab))$  holds for all a, b of S.

(IV) Every prime ideal is a completely prime ideal of S.

Proof. That (I) implies (II) is proved by B. Pondělíček (cf. Lemma 1). Evidently (II) implies (III).

We prove that (III) implies (IV). Let P be an arbitrary prime ideal of S and  $ab \in P$ . Then  $J(ab) \subseteq P$ . From this by Lemma 7 of [5] we have that  $M(J(ab)) \subseteq M(P) = P$ .

By the assumption then  $J(a)J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab)) \subseteq P$ . Since P is a prime ideal of S, this implies that either  $J(a) \subseteq P$  or  $J(b) \subseteq P$  and so either  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ . It means that P is a completely prime ideal of S.

(IV) evidently implies (I).

**Lemma 3** ([6, Corollary 3]). In a finite semigroup S with an ideal J the equalities  $R(J) = M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J)$  hold if and only if the set N(J) is an ideal of S.

Then from Theorem 2 and Lemma 3 there follows

**Corollary 4.** In a finite semigroup S the following statements are equivalent: (I) The set N(J) is an ideal of S for every ideal J of S.

(II)  $R(J) = M(J) = L(J) = R^*(J) = N(J) = C(J)$  holds for every ideal J of S.

- (III)  $J(a) \cap J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab))$  for all a, b of S.
- (IV)  $J(a)J(b) \subseteq M(J(ab))$  for all a, b of S.
- (V) Every prime ideal is a completely prime ideal of S.

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#### Резюме

В статье изучаются необходимые и достаточные условия для равенства радикалов Маккойа, Шеврина, Клиффорда и Луга относительно произвольного идеала полугруппы.