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# FUZZY SMALL RIGHT IDEALS OF RINGS

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ABSTRACT. We introduce the notion of fuzzy small right ideal, fuzzy small right prime ideal and fuzzy maximal small right ideal in a ring. We have obtained necessary and sufficient condition for a fuzzy small right ideal to be fuzzy small prime right ideal. We have also shown that fuzzy Jacobson radical is the sum of fuzzy small right ideals.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

Liu [7] introduced the notion of fuzzy ideals in ring.We introduce the notion of a fuzzy small right ideal, fuzzy small prime right ideal and fuzzy maximal small right ideal in a ring.We have shown that the image of fuzzy small prime ideal will contain only two elements.We have obtained necessary and sufficient condition for a fuzzy small right ideal to be fuzzy small prime right ideal.We have shown that every maximal small right ideal is a small prime right ideal.We have also shown that fuzzy Jacobson radical is the sum of fuzzy small right ideals.

### 2. Preliminaries

Let R be a ring with identity. (A, +), a subgroup of (R, +) is said to be a right (left) ideal if  $xr \in A$  ( $rx \in A$ ) for all  $r \in R$  and  $x \in A$ . A subgroup (A, +) of R is called an ideal if it is both right and left ideal.

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An ideal A is called small right ideal [3] if for all right ideals B of R, A + B = R implies B = R. Through out this paper, R is a ring with identity unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 2.1.** [4] The Jacobson radical  $\mathfrak{J}(R)$  of a ring R is defined as follows:

 $\mathfrak{J}(R) = \{a | a \in R, aR \text{ is right quasi regular}\}$ 

**Definition 2.2..** [4] A right ideal A in a ring R is said to be a modular right ideal if there exists an element e of R such that  $er - r \in A$  for every element r of R.

**Theorem 2.3..** [4] Let R be a ring such that  $\mathfrak{J}(R) \neq R$ , and let  $A_i, i \in \mathfrak{U}$ , be all the modular maximal right ideals in R. Then

$$\mathfrak{J}(R) = \bigcap_{i \in \mathfrak{U}} A_i.$$

**Remark 2.4..** (1) [4] If R has identity (or just a left identity for that matter), then every right ideal in R is modular.

- (2) If R has identity, then  $\mathfrak{J}(R) \neq R$ .
- (3) If R has identity, then by Theorem 2.3.,  $\mathfrak{J}(R) = \bigcap_{M \in \mathfrak{M}} M$  where  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a set of maximal right ideals in R.

**Lemma 2.5..** [3] If R is a ring with identity, then  $\mathfrak{J}(R) = \mathbb{M} = \sum_{A \in \mathfrak{S}} A$ where  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a set of all small right ideals in R and  $\mathbb{M} = \bigcap_{M \in \mathfrak{M}} M$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** If B is an ideal and A is a small right ideal of R such that  $B \subseteq A$ , then B is a small right ideal of R.

**Lemma 2.7..** If A is a small right ideal and M is a maximal right ideal of R, then  $A \subseteq M$ .

**Definition 2.8..** An ideal M is said to be a maximal small right ideal if for any small ideal  $A \nsubseteq M$ , A + M = R.

**Definition 2.9..** An ideal P is called small prime right ideal if  $A.B \subseteq P$  implies  $A \subseteq P$  or  $B \subseteq P$  for all small right ideals A, B of R.

**Example 2.10..** Every maximal small ideal need not be a maximal ideal and every small prime need not be a prime ideal. Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ . Let  $I = \{0, 2\}$ . Clearly  $I \times I$  is a maximal small ideal. Since  $I \times I \subset \mathbb{Z}_4 \times I \subset$  $R, I \times I$  is not a maximal ideal. Clearly  $I \times I$  is a small prime ideal but not a prime ideal since  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times I).(I \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \subseteq I \times I$  with  $I \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \nsubseteq I \times I$ and  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times I \nsubseteq I \times I$ 

**Theorem 2.11..** Every maximal small right ideal of R is a small prime right ideal of R.

**Definition 2.12..** A mapping  $f : X \to [0, 1]$ , is called a fuzzy subset in X where X is nonempty set.

**Definition 2.13..** A fuzzy subset f of a ring R is called fuzzy right (left) ideal of R if

(1)  $f(x-y) \ge f(x) \land f(y)$ (2)  $f(xy) \ge f(x), (f(xy) \ge f(y))$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

**Definition 2.14..** A level set of a fuzzy set f denoted by  $f_t$  is defined as  $f_t = \{x \in R | f(x) \ge t\}$  where  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 2.15..** [5] A fuzzy set f of a ring R is a fuzzy ideal if and only if for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ ,  $f_t$  is an ideal of R whenever non-empty

#### 3. Fuzzy Small Right Ideal

**Definition 3.1..** A fuzzy ideal f is called fuzzy small right ideal if  $f_t$  is a small right ideal for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  whenever  $f_t$  is non empty and  $f_t \neq R$ .

**Theorem 3.2..** Let f be a fuzzy small right ideal of a ring R. If g is a fuzzy right ideal such that  $g \subseteq f$  and  $\inf\{Im \ f\} = \inf\{Im \ g\}$ , then, g is a fuzzy small right ideal.

**Proof:** Let f be a fuzzy small right ideal.Let  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that  $g_t$  is non empty and  $g_t \neq R$ . If  $f_t \neq R$ , then  $f_t$  is a small ideal in R. Since  $g \subseteq f, g_t \subseteq f_t$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ . If  $f_t = R$ , then  $t \leq \inf\{Im \ f\} = \inf\{Im \ g\}$ . Then  $g_t = R$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $g_t \subset f_t \neq R$ . By Theorem 2.6.  $g_t$  is a small right ideal of R. Thus g is a fuzzy small right ideal.

**Example 3.3..** Let R be a set of  $2 \times 2$  matrices over  $\mathbb{Z}_6$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.8 \ if \ x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0.5 \ 0 therwise \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0.7 \ if \ x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0.4 \ if \ x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \ where \ a, b \in \{2, 4\} \\ 0 \ 0 therwise \end{cases}$$

Clearly f is a fuzzy small right ideal and  $g \subset f$ . Since  $g_{0,4} \neq R$  is not a small right ideal, g is not a fuzzy small right ideal. Here  $\inf\{Im \ f\} = 0.5 \neq \inf\{Im \ g\} = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.4..** If f and g are fuzzy small right ideals, then  $f \cap g$  is a fuzzy small right ideal.

**Proof:** Let f and g be fuzzy small right ideals of R and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Now,  $x \in (f \cap g)_t$  implies  $\min\{f(x), g(x)\} \ge t$ . Then  $x \in f_t \cap g_t$ . Thus  $(f \cap g)_t \subseteq f_t \cap g_t$ . Now,  $x \in f_t \cap g_t$  implies  $\min\{f(x), g(x)\} \ge t$ . Then  $x \in (f \cap g)_t$ . Thus  $f_t \cap g_t \subseteq (f \cap g)_t$ . Therefore  $f_t \cap g_t = (f \cap g)_t$ . If  $(f \cap g)_t \ne R$ , then either  $f_t \ne R$  or  $g_t \ne R$ . Then either  $f_t \ne R$  or  $g_t \ne R$  is a small right ideal of R. Since  $(f \cap g)_t \subseteq f_t$  and  $(f \cap g)_t \subseteq g_t, (f \cap g)_t$  is a small right ideal of R. Hence  $f \cap g$  is a fuzzy small right ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.5..**  $\chi_A$  is a fuzzy small right ideal of a ring R if and only if A is a small right ideal in R.

**Proof:** Let  $\chi_A$  be a fuzzy small right ideal. Then by definition,  $(\chi_A)_1 = A$  is a small right ideal. On the other hand,  $(\chi_A)_t = A$  for all t > 0 is a small right ideal and  $(\chi_A)_0 = R$ . Thus  $\chi_A$  is a fuzzy small right ideal.

**Definition 3.6..** A homomorphism  $\phi : R \to R^*$  is called small right ideal preserving homomorphism if I is a small right ideal in R implies  $\phi(I)$  is a small right ideal in  $R^*$ .

**Example 3.7.** A mapping  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_8 \to \mathbb{Z}_4$  is defined by  $\phi(x) = x \pmod{4}$ . Clearly  $\phi$  is a homomorphism. $\phi(\{0, 2, 4, 6\}) = \{0, 2\}$  and  $\phi(\{0, 4\}) = \{0\}$  are small right ideals in  $\mathbb{Z}_4$ . Hence  $\phi$  is a small right ideal preserving homomorphism.

A mapping  $\psi : \mathbb{Z}_8 \to \mathbb{Z}_6$  is defined by  $\psi(x) = x \pmod{6}$ .  $\{0, 2, 4, 6\}$  is a small ideal in  $\mathbb{Z}_8$ . But  $\psi(\{0, 2, 4, 6\}) = \{0, 2, 4\}$  is not a small ideal in  $\mathbb{Z}_6$ , so  $\psi$  is not a small right ideal preserving homomorphism.

**Theorem 3.8..** Let  $\phi : R \to R^*$  be a onto small right ideal preserving homomorphism. If f is a fuzzy small right ideal of R then  $\phi(f)$  is a fuzzy small right ideal of  $R^*$  where  $(\phi(f))(x) = \sup\{f(y)|y \in \phi^{-1}(x)\}$ . **Proof:** Let  $\phi : R \to R^*$  be a small right ideal preserving homomorphism and f be a fuzzy small right ideal of R. We assert that  $\phi(f_t) = [\phi(f)]_t$ . Let  $x \in [\phi(f)]_t$ . Then there is a  $y \in R$  such that  $\phi(y) = x$  and  $f(y) \ge t$ . Thus  $x \in \phi(f_t)$ . If  $x \in \phi(f_t)$ , then there is a  $y \in R$  such that  $\phi(y) = x$  and  $f(y) \ge t$ . Therefore  $x \in [\phi(f)]_t$ . Hence  $\phi(f_t) = [\phi(f)]_t$ . If  $[\phi(f)]_t \neq R^*$  for some  $t \in [0, 1]$ , then  $f_t \neq R$ . Then  $f_t$  is a small ideal of R. Since  $\phi$  is a small right ideal preserving homomorphism,  $[\phi(f)]_t$  is a small right ideal in  $R^*$ . Hence  $\phi(f)$  is a fuzzy small right ideal of  $R^*$ .

# 4. Fuzzy small prime ideal

**Definition 4.1..** Let f, g be fuzzy sets of a ring R. The product of fuzzy sets f and g is defined as follows

$$(f.g)(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{\substack{x=yz\\0 \text{ otherwise}}} \min\{f(y), g(z)\} \\ \end{cases}$$

**Definition 4.2..** Let f, g be fuzzy sets of a ring R. The sum of fuzzy sets f and g is defined as follows

$$(f+g)(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{\substack{x=y+z\\0 \text{ otherwise}}} \min\{f(y), g(z)\} \end{cases}$$

**Definition 4.3..** A fuzzy ideal h is called fuzzy prime ideal of a ring R if  $f.g \subseteq h$  implies  $f \subseteq h$  or  $g \subseteq h$  for all fuzzy ideals f, g of R

**Definition 4.4..** A fuzzy ideal h is called fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R if  $f.g \subseteq h$  implies  $f \subseteq h$  or  $g \subseteq h$  for all fuzzy small right ideals f, g of R

**Note:** Every fuzzy prime ideal is fuzzy small prime ideal.But fuzzy small prime ideal need not be a fuzzy prime ideal as shown by the following example

**Example 4.5.** Consider  $R = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$  is a ring. Let  $I = \{0, 2\}$ .

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in I \times I \\ 0.3 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.8 & \text{if } x \in I \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0.9 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Z}_4 \times I \\ 0.3 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal and f, g are fuzzy ideals of R.  $f.g \subseteq h$  but f[(2,3)] = 0.8 > h[(2,3)] = 0.3 and g[(1,0)] = 0.9 > h[(1,0)] = 0.3 Hence h is not a fuzzy prime ideal.

**Lemma 4.6..** If h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R then, Im h contains two elements.

**Proof:** Let *h* be a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring *R*. If  $Im h = \{t_1, t_2, t_3\}$  where  $1 > t_1 > t_2 > t_3 \ge 0$ , then  $h_{t_1}, h_{t_2}$  are small ideals in *R* since  $h_{t_1} \ne R$  and  $h_{t_2} \ne R$ . Then  $h_{t_1} \subset h_{t_2}$ . Choose  $s_1 \in [0, 1]$  such that  $t_1 > s_1 > t_2$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in h_{t_1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad g(x) = \begin{cases} s_1 & \text{if } x \in h_{t_2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$f.g(x) = \begin{cases} s_1 & \text{if } x \in (h_{t_1}).(h_{t_2}) = h_{t_1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly f and g are fuzzy small right ideals. Therefore  $f.g \subseteq h$  but  $f \nsubseteq h$  and  $g \nsubseteq h$ . This contradicts that h is a fuzzy small prime ideal. Hence Im h contains two elements.

**Lemma 4.7..** If h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R then, h(0) = 1

**Proof:** Let h be a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R. If  $h(0) \neq 1$ , then by Lemma 4.6. Im  $h = \{t_1, t_2\}$  where  $1 > t_1 > t_2 \ge 0$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in h_{t_1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad g(x) = s \text{ for all } x \in R$$

where  $t_1 > s > t_2$ . Clearly f is fuzzy small right ideal and since constant map is always fuzzy small right ideal, g is also fuzzy small right ideal. Then  $f.g \subseteq h$  but  $f \not\subseteq h$  and  $g \not\subseteq h$ . This contradicts that h is a fuzzy small prime ideal. Therefore h(0) = 1.

**Lemma 4.8..** If h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R then,  $\{x|h(x) = h(0)\}$  is a small prime right ideal.

**Proof:** Let h be a fuzzy small prime ideal of a ring R. Then by Lemmas 4.6.and 4.7. Im  $h = \{1, t_1\}$  where  $1 > t_1 \ge 0$ . Let  $h_1 = \{x | h(x) = h(0)\}$ . If there exits small right ideals  $I_1, I_2$  in R such that  $I_1.I_2 \subseteq h_{t_1}$ 

with  $I_1 \nsubseteq h_{t_1}$  and  $I_2 \nsubseteq h_{t_1}$ . Then there is  $x \in I_1$  but  $x \notin h_{t_1}$  and  $y \in I_2$  but  $y \notin h_{t_1}$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} t_1 & \text{if } x \in I_1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad g(x) = \begin{cases} t_1 & \text{if } x \in I_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly f and g are fuzzy small right ideals. Then  $f.g \subseteq h$  but  $f \notin h$  and  $g \notin h$  which contradicts that h is a fuzzy small prime ideal. Hence  $\{x|h(x) = h(0)\}$  is a small prime right ideal.

**Theorem 4.9..** If h is a fuzzy ideal of a ring R, then h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal if and only if

- (1) Im  $h = \{1, t\}$  where  $1 > t \ge 0$ .
- (2)  $h_1 = \{x | h(x) = h(0) = 1\}$  is a small prime right ideal.

**Proof:** Let h be a fuzzy small prime right ideal. Then (1) and (2) follows from Lemmas 4.6.,4.8. and 4.7.

On the other hand, if there exits fuzzy small right ideals fand g of R such that  $f \cdot g \subseteq h$  with  $f \not\subseteq h$  and  $g \not\subseteq h$ . Then there exits  $x, y \in R$  such that  $f(x) = t_1 > t = h(x)$  and  $g(y) = s_1 > t = h(y)$  for  $t_1, s_1 \in (0, 1]$ . Thus  $x \in f_{t_1}$  and  $y \in g_{s_1}$  with  $x \notin h_1$  and  $y \notin h_1$ . Let  $a \in f_{t_1}$  and  $b \in g_{s_1}$ . Then  $ab \in f_{t_1} \cdot g_{s_1}$  and  $f(a) \ge t_1$  and  $g(b) \ge s_1$ . Thus  $(f \cdot g)(ab) \ge t_1 \land s_1 > t$ . Therefore  $f \cdot g \subseteq h$  implies h(ab) = 1. Hence  $f_{t_1} \cdot g_{s_1} \subseteq h_1$ . Now, if  $f_{t_1} = R$  and  $g_{s_1} = R$ , then  $f_{t_1} \cdot g_{s_1} \subseteq h_1$  implies  $R \cdot R = R \subseteq h_1$ . Thus h is constant which is a contradiction. If  $f_{t_1} \neq R$ and  $g_{s_1} = R$ , then  $x \cdot 1 = x \in f_{t_1} \cdot R = f_{t_1} \cdot g_{s_1} \subseteq h_1$  is a contradiction. If  $f_{t_1} = R$  and  $g_{s_1} \neq R$ , then  $1 \cdot y = y \in R \cdot g_{s_1} = f_{t_1} \cdot g_{s_1} \subseteq h_1$  is a contradiction. If  $f_{t_1} \neq R$  and  $g_{s_1} \neq R$ , then  $f_{t_1} = h_1$  or  $g_{s_1} \subseteq h_1$  which is a contradiction. Therefore h is a fuzzy small prime right ideal.

**Corollary 4.10..** If h is a fuzzy ideal of a ring R, then h is a fuzzy prime right ideal if and only if

- (1)  $Im \ h = \{1, t\}$  where  $1 > t \ge 0$ .
- (2)  $h_1 = \{x | h(x) = h(0) = 1\}$  is a prime right ideal.

**Proof:** The proof follows from Theorem 4.9.

**Theorem 4.11..**  $\chi_P$  is a fuzzy small prime ideal of a ring R if and only if P is a small prime ideal of a ring R.

**Proof:** Let  $\chi_P$  be a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R. Then by Theorem 4.9. P is a small prime right ideal of a ring R. Conversely, by Theorem 4.9.  $\chi_P$  is a fuzzy small prime right ideal of a ring R.

#### 5. FUZZY MAXIMAL SMALL IDEAL

**Definition 5.1..** A fuzzy right ideal g is said to be fuzzy maximal right ideal if  $Im \ g = \{1, t\}$  where  $1 > t \ge 0$  and  $\{x \in R | g(x) = 1 = g(0)\}$  is a maximal right ideal in R.

**Definition 5.2..** A fuzzy ideal g is said to be fuzzy maximal small right ideal if  $Im \ g = \{1,t\}$  where  $1 > t \ge 0$  and  $\{x \in R | g(x) = 1\}$  is a maximal small right ideal in R.

Fuzzy maximal small right ideal need not be a fuzzy maximal ideal as shown by the following Example 5.3..

**Example 5.3.** Consider the ring as in the Example 4.5.

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in I \times I \\ 0.3 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in I \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly g is a fuzzy maximal small right ideal but not fuzzy maximal ideal since  $I \times I$  is not a maximal ideal. h is a fuzzy maximal ideal and it is not a fuzzy small right ideal.

**Definition 5.4.** Let R be a ring. The fuzzy Jacobson radical denoted by  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R)$  is defined as follows:

 $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \bigcap \{h \mid h \text{ is a fuzzy maximal right ideal of } R \}$ 

**Theorem 5.5..** If g is a fuzzy maximal small right ideal, then g is fuzzy small prime ideal.

**Proof:** Let g be a fuzzy maximal small right ideal of R. Then  $Im g = \{1, t\}$  and  $g_1$  is a maximal small right ideal. By Theorem 2.11.,  $g_1$  is a small prime ideal. Then by Theorem 4.9., g is a fuzzy small prime ideal of R.

**Lemma 5.6.** An ideal M is a maximal small right ideal if and only if  $\chi_M$  is a fuzzy maximal small right ideal in R.

**Proof:** The proof is straightforward.

**Theorem 5.7..** The fuzzy Jacobson radical  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R)$  is given by the equation as follows:

$$(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{M} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathbb{M} = \bigcap \{ M | M \text{ is a maximal ideal of } R \}$ . Moreover  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \chi_{\mathbb{M}}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in R$ . If  $(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) = 1$ , then h(x) = 1 for all fuzzy maximal right ideal h of R. Thus  $x \in h_1$  for all fuzzy maximal right ideal h of R. Therefore  $x \in M$  for all maximal right ideal M of R. Hence  $x \in \mathbb{M}$ . If  $x \in \mathbb{M}$ , then  $x \in h_1$  for all fuzzy maximal right ideal h of R. Therefore h(x) = 1 for all fuzzy maximal right ideal h of R. Hence  $(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) = 1$ . If  $(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) = 0$ , then by above argument  $x \notin \mathbb{M}$ . If  $x \notin \mathbb{M}$ , then there is a maximal right ideal  $M_i$  of R such that  $x \notin M_i$ . By Lemma 5.6. $\chi_{M_i}$  is a fuzzy maximal right ideal in R. Thus  $(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) \leq \chi_{M_i} = 0$  implies  $(\mathfrak{J}_f(R))(x) = 0$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \chi_{\mathbb{M}}$ .

**Lemma 5.8.** If A and B are subsets of a nonempty set X, then  $\chi_A + \chi_B = \chi_{A+B}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in X$ . If  $\chi_{A+B}(x) = 1$ , then x = a+b, for some  $a \in A, b \in B$ . Then  $(\chi_A + \chi_B)(x) \ge \min\{\chi_A(a), \chi_B(b)\} = 1$ . Thus  $(\chi_A + \chi_B)(x) = 1$ . If x can not be expressible as x = a + b, for all  $a \in A, b \in B$ , then  $\chi_{A+B}(x) = 0$ . Then  $(\chi_A + \chi_B)(x) = 0$ . If x = y + z for some  $y \in A, z \notin B$  or  $y \notin A, z \in B$  then  $\chi_{A+B}(x) = 0 = (\chi_A + \chi_B)(x)$ . Therefore  $\chi_A + \chi_B = \chi_{A+B}$ .

**Lemma 5.9..** If A and B are small right ideals of a ring R, then  $\chi_A + \chi_B = \chi_{A+B}$ . Moreover  $\chi_{\sum A_i} = \sum \chi_{A_i}$  for all small right ideals  $A_i$  in R.

**Proof:** The result follows from Lemma 5.8.

**Theorem 5.10.** If  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a set of all small right ideals in R, then

$$\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \sum_{A \in \mathfrak{S}} \chi_A.$$

**Proof:** Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a set of all small right ideals in R. By Theorem 5.7. we have  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \chi_{\mathbb{M}}$  where  $\mathbb{M} = \bigcap \{M | M \text{ is a maximal right ideal of } R\}$ . Then by Lemma 2.5.  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \chi_{\mathbb{M}} = \chi_{\sum_{A \in \mathfrak{S}} A}$ . By Lemma 5.9. we have  $\mathfrak{J}_f(R) = \sum \chi_A, A \in \mathfrak{S}$ .

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