

ARTINIAN RADICAL AND ITS APPLICATION*

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abstract

Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring with identity. Let A be the Artinian radical. Lenagan^[3] pointed out that R has Artinian quotient ring if $A=0$ and the Krull dimension of R is one. In this paper first the structure of Artinian radical is investigated. Then for R with Krull dimension one the author gives a necessary and sufficient condition under which R has Artinian quotient ring. The main results are as follows: (i) $A=eR$, where e is a central idempotent element of R , if and only if $r(A)^\lambda=l(A)^\lambda=(\bigcap_{k=1, \dots, n} p(a_i^{(k)}))^\lambda$, where λ is

a positive integer, $p(a_i^{(k)})$ are prime ideals of R and $r(A)(lA)$ is the notation of right (left) annihilator of A (see Theorem 7). (ii) In the case (i) $R=A \oplus r(A)^\lambda$. (iii) If R has Krull dimension one, then R has Artinian quotient ring if and only if there exists a positive integer λ such that $r(A)^\lambda=l(A)^\lambda=(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, n} p(a_i^{(k)}))^\lambda$.

§ 1.

In this paper "Ring" always means associative ring with identity. Unless otherwise stated all concepts and terms used here are cited from [1]. As we know, a right (left) ideal of a ring R is said to be Artinian if it is Artinian as a right (left) R -module. As usual we define the Artinian radical A of R to be the sum of all the Artinian right ideals of R . When R is left and right Noetherian, it is clear that A is also the sum of all Artinian left ideals of R (see [1]).

Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring and $\hat{E}$ be the right socle of R , i. e. $\hat{E}$ is the sum of all minimal right ideals of R . If $a' \in \hat{E}$, then it is clear that there exists a minimal ideal (a) such that $(a) \subset (a')$, where (a) denotes the principal ideal of R . Without loss of generality we can assume that Ra and aR are minimal left and right ideals respectively. It can be easily shown that

$$\hat{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus Ra_iR \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus Rb_jR \oplus L, \quad (*)$$

where $(a_i) = Ra_iR$ and $(b_j) = Rb_jR$ are minimal ideals of R , $(a_i)^2 = (a_i)$, $(b_j)^2 = 0$, and L is a right ideal of R which doesn't contain any non-zero ideal of R . For the

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convenience we call (*) a right standard formula of $\hat{E}$, and $n+s$ the length of the right standard formula (*) of $\hat{E}$, n the length of idempotent part of $\hat{E}$ and s the length of nilpotent part of $\hat{E}$. Finally we say that a right standard formula of $\hat{E}$ has most length, if every length of right standard formula of $\hat{E}$ is not greater than this length. Let the formula (*) be a right standard formula of $\hat{E}$ having the most length, and

$$\hat{E} = \sum_{i=1}^{n'} \oplus (a'_i) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^{s'} \oplus (b'_j) \oplus L'$$

be another right standard formula having the most length, then it is clear that $n=n'$, $(a_i) = (a'_i)$ $i=1, \dots, n$ and $s=s'$,

$$\sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{s'} \oplus (b'_j) \cdot \tilde{L}$$

In fact, if $(b'_j) \cap ((b_1) \oplus \dots \oplus (b_s)) = 0$, then $((a_1) \oplus \dots \oplus (a_n)) \cap ((b_1) \oplus \dots \oplus (b_s) \oplus (b'_j)) = 0$. This shows that

$$\hat{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i) \oplus \sum_{k=1}^s \oplus (b_k) \oplus (b'_j) \oplus \tilde{L},$$

where $\tilde{L}$ is a right ideal of R . But this contradicts the fact that $\hat{E}$ has the most length $n+s$. Therefore $(b'_j) \subset (b_1) \oplus \dots \oplus (b_s)$ for any (b'_j) , i. e.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{s'} \oplus (b'_j) \subseteq \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j).$$

Similarly, we can show that $\sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j) \subseteq \sum_{j=1}^{s'} \oplus (b'_j)$. We have already shown that $\sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{s'} \oplus (b'_j)$. Using the same method we can show that $\sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n'} \oplus (a'_i)$.

From this it follows that $(a_i)^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{n'} (a_i)(a'_j)$. Therefore there exists an element, for example (a'_i) , in the set $\{(a'_1), (a'_2), \dots, (a'_s)\}$ such that $(a_1)^2 = (a_1)(a'_1)$ and $(a_1)(a'_i) = 0$, $i=2, \dots, s'$. Hence $(a_1) = (a'_1)$. We can go on in this way and obtain $(a_i) = (a'_i)$, $i=1, \dots, n$, and $n \leq n'$. Analogously we can show that $n' \leq n$ and $(a'_i) = (a_i)$ for $i=1, \dots, n$. Since $n+s=n'+s'$, it follows that $s=s'$.

Denote by $\hat{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j) \oplus L$ a right standard formula having the most length. Then we call $\hat{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j)$ the normal socle of R and call $E_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i)$ the non-nilpotent part of $\hat{E}$ and $E_2 = \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j)$ the nilpotent part of $\hat{E}$. It is clear that $\hat{E}$, E_1 and E_2 are independent of the choice of the forms of right standard formulas with the most length.

Similarly, denote by $\tilde{E}$ the left socle of R and

$$\tilde{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus R\tilde{a}_i R \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus R\tilde{b}_j R \oplus \tilde{L}, \quad (**)$$

where $(\tilde{a}_i) = R\tilde{a}_i R$, $(\tilde{b}_j) = R\tilde{b}_j R$ are minimal ideals of R with $(\tilde{a}_i)^2 \neq 0$, $(\tilde{b}_j)^2 = 0$ and $R\tilde{a}_i$, $R\tilde{b}_j$ and $\tilde{a}_i R$, $\tilde{b}_j R$ are minimal left and right ideals respectively, $\tilde{L}$ is a left

ideal of R . Then we have the notion of left standard formula having the most length as the right one we stated above. If $(**)$ is such a left standard formula having the most length, then $\sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (\tilde{a}_i) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (\tilde{b}_j)$ is called the left normal socle of R . Denote $\tilde{E}_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (\tilde{a}_i)$, $\tilde{E}_2 = \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (\tilde{b}_j)$. Then $\tilde{E}_1$ is called the non-nilpotent part of $\tilde{E}$, $\tilde{E}_2$ the nilpotent part of $\tilde{E}$. Similarly, we can show that $\tilde{E}$, $\tilde{E}_1$ and $\tilde{E}_2$ are independent of the choice of the forms of standard formulas with the most length. It is easy to see that the normal socle of R is equal to the left normal socle of R . In fact, let $E = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus (a_i) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^s \oplus (b_j)$ be the right normal socle, where $(a_i) = Ra_iR$, $(b_j) = Rb_jR$ and Ra_i , Rb_j and a_iR , b_jR are left and right minimal ideals respectively. Hence $E \subset \tilde{E}$, $n+s \leq \tilde{n}+\tilde{s}$, i. e. the most length of right normal socle of R is not less than the length of left normal socle of R . Symmetrically we can show that $\tilde{n}+\tilde{s} \leq n+s$. Hence $E = \tilde{E}$, i. e. the right normal socle is equal to the left normal socle. It is clear that we can introduce the notion of the normal socle of R . Using the normal socle E of R we set $\bar{R} = R/E$. Clearly $\bar{R}$ is left and right Noetherian. Then we obtain again the normal socle $\bar{E}^{(1)}$ of $\bar{R}$ and

$$\bar{E}_1^{(1)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \oplus (\bar{a}_i^{(1)}) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^{s_1} \oplus (\bar{b}_j^{(1)}),$$

where $(\bar{a}_i^{(1)})^2 \neq 0$, $(\bar{b}_j^{(1)})^2 = 0$, and $(\bar{a}_i)$, $(\bar{b}_j)$ are all minimal ideals of R . We can go on in this way and obtain inductively the following formula

$$E^{(m)} = E^{(m-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} \oplus (a_i^{(m-1)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{m-1}} \oplus (b_j^{(m-1)}), \quad (\Delta)$$

where $E^{(0)} = E$, $E^{(-1)} = 0$ and

$$\bar{E}^{(m)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} \oplus (\bar{a}_i^{(m-1)}) \oplus \sum_{j=1}^{s_{m-1}} \oplus (\bar{b}_j^{(m-1)})$$

is the normal socle of $R/E^{(m-1)} = \bar{R}$,

$$\bar{E}_1^{(m)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} \oplus (\bar{a}_i^{(m-1)})$$

is the non-nilpotent part of $\bar{E}^{(m)}$,

$$\bar{E}_2^{(m)} = \sum_{j=1}^{s_{m-1}} \oplus (\bar{b}_j^{(m-1)})$$

is the nilpotent part of $\bar{E}^{(m)}$.

We call $E^{(m)}$ of (Δ) the m -graded socle of R , where $m=0, 1, \dots$. Denote by A the Artinian radical of R . Then because R is left and right Noetherian, there exists a non-negative integer m such that $A = E^{(m)}$.

Definition 1. Let A be an Artinian radical of R , and E be the normal socle of R , i. e. 0-gradational socle of R . Denote $E = E^{(0)}$. Then the following chain of ideals

$$E = E^{(0)} \subset E^{(1)} \subset \dots \subset E^{(l-1)} \subset E^{(l)} \subset \dots \subset E^{(m)} = A$$

is called the ascending chain of normal socles of Artinian radical, where $E^{(l)}$ is the normal socle of $R = R/E^{(l-1)}$, i. e.

$$E^{(l)} = E^{(l-1)} + (a_1^{(l)}) + \cdots + (a_{n_l}^{(l)}) + (b_1^{(l)}) + \cdots + (b_{s_l}^{(l)})$$

for every l and $(\bar{a}^{(l)})$, $(\bar{b}^{(l)})$ are minimal ideals of $\bar{R}$ and $(\bar{a}_i^{(l)})^2 = (\bar{a}_i^{(l)})$, $(\bar{b}_j^{(l)})^2 = \bar{0}$.

Moreover, we call

$$E_1^{(l)} = E^{(l-1)} + (a_1^{(l)}) + \cdots + (a_{n_l}^{(l)})$$

and

$$E_2^{(l)} = E^{(l-1)} + (b_1^{(l)}) + \cdots + (b_{s_l}^{(l)})$$

the non-nilpotent part and the nilpotent part of $E^{(l)}$ respectively.

Now we consider the following

$$E^{(k)} = E_1^{(k)} + E_2^{(k)}, \quad E_1^{(k)} = E^{(k-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{k-1}} (a_i^{(k)}),$$

$$E_2^{(k)} = E^{(k-1)} + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{k-1}} (b_j^{(k)}).$$

Write $\bar{R} = R/E^{(k-1)}$. Then

$$\bar{E}_1^{(k)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{k-1}} \bar{(a_i^{(k)})}, \quad \bar{E}_2^{(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^{s_{k-1}} \bar{(b_j^{(k)})}$$

are non-nilpotent part and nilpotent part of R respectively. Denote

$$\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) = \{\bar{r} \in \bar{R} \mid (\bar{a}_i^{(k)})\bar{r} = \bar{0}\}.$$

Since $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is minimal ideal of $\bar{R}$, it is clear that $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is prime ideal of $\bar{R}$. Because $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is Artinian right ideal, $\bar{R}/\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is Artinian ring by Lemma 4.5c in [1]. From Theorem 1.24 in [1] it follows that $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is maximal prime ideal of $\bar{R}$. Write

$$p(a_i^{(k)}) = \{r \in R \mid (a_i^{(k)})r \subset E^{(k-1)}\}.$$

Then from $\bar{R}/\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) \cong R/p(a_i^{(k)})$ it follows that $p(a_i^{(k)})$ is maximal prime ideal of R . Denote

$$\mu^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) = \{r \in R \mid E_1^{(k)}r \subset E^{(k-1)}\}, \quad l^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) = \{r \in R \mid rE_1^{(k)} \subset E^{(k-1)}\},$$

We can show that

$$\mu^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} p(a_i^{(k)}) = l^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}). \quad (1)$$

In fact, from $(a_i^{(k)})\mu(E_1^{(k)}) \subset E^{(k-1)}$ and $(a_i^{(k)}) \not\subset p(a_i^{(k)})$ it follows that

$$\mu^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

Since $(a_i^{(k)}) \cap p(a_i^{(k)}) \subseteq E^{(k-1)}$ for every $(a_i^{(k)})$, $i = 1, \dots, n_k$ and $p(a_i^{(k)})$ is a maximal prime ideal, it is easy to show that (1) is true.

Now we want to show that the foregoing ideals $p(a_i^{(k)})$, $\dots$, $p(a_{n_k}^{(k)})$ are all minimal prime ideals of R . In fact, let $\bar{N}$ be the nilpotent radical of $\bar{R} = R/E^{(k-1)}$, then

$$\bar{N} = \bigcap_{i=1}^t \bar{P}_i,$$

where $\bar{P}_i$ are minimal prime ideals of $\bar{R}$. From $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) = \bar{0}$ it follows that there exists an element $\bar{P}_i$ of $\bar{P}_1, \dots, \bar{P}_t$ such that $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) \subseteq \bar{P}_i$. Because of the maximum of

$\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ we have $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) = \bar{P}_i$. Hence $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is a minimal prime ideal of $\bar{R}$.

We are going to show that

$$\bar{E}_1^{(k)} \oplus \pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}) = \bar{R}. \quad (2)$$

In fact, since $\bar{R} = (\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) \oplus \bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ for $i=1, \dots, n_k$, we have $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_2^{(k)}) = (\bar{a}_1^{(k)}) \oplus \bar{p}(\bar{a}_1^{(k)}) \cap \bar{p}(\bar{a}_2^{(k)})$, $\bar{R} = (\bar{a}_1^{(k)}) \oplus (\bar{a}_2^{(k)}) \oplus \bar{p}(\bar{a}_1^{(k)}) \cap \bar{p}(\bar{a}_2^{(k)})$. We can go on in such way and obtain

$$\bar{R} = \bar{E}_1^{(k)} \oplus \pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}).$$

Now we consider

$$\bar{E}_2^{(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^{s_k} \oplus (\bar{b}_j^{(k)}), \quad (\bar{b}_j^{(k)})^2 = \bar{0},$$

and denote $\bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}) = \{r \in R \mid (\bar{b}_j^{(k)})r \subset E^{(k-1)}\}$. As before we can show that $\bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$ is a maximal prime ideal of $\bar{R}$ and $(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}) \subset \bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$ for $j=1, \dots, s_k$. Similarly we can prove that

$$\pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_2^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} \bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}), \quad (3)$$

$$\iota^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} \bar{p}''(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}), \quad (4)$$

where $\bar{p}''(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$ are maximal prime ideals of $\bar{R}$. In general $\bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}) \neq \bar{p}''(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$, $\bar{p}^{(k)}(\bar{E}_2^{(k)}) \neq \iota^{(k)}(\bar{E}_2^{(k)})$.

From (1), (2) and $\bar{N}^{(k)} = \bigcap_{i=1}^t \bar{P}_i^{(k)}$, where $\bar{N}^{(k)}$ is the nilpotent radical of $\bar{R} = R/E^{(k-1)}$, we have

$$\bar{P}_{n+1}^{(k)} \cap \dots \cap \bar{P}_t^{(k)} = \bar{E}_1^{(k)} \oplus \bar{N}, \quad \pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} \bar{P}_i. \quad (5)$$

We sum up the obtained results in the following

Proposition 1. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, A be the Artinian Radical of R . Then there exists an ascending chain of different graded normal socles of R (see Definition 1). Let $E^{(k)}$ be the normal socle of $\bar{R} = R/E^{(k-1)}$ and let $N^{(k)}$ be the original imagee of nilpotent radical $\bar{N}^{(k)}$ of $\bar{R}$, $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ and $\pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)})$ having the same meaning as before. Then we have the following relations:

$$\pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} \bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) = \iota^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}), \quad (6)$$

$$\pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_2^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} \bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}), \quad (7)$$

$$\iota^{(k)}(\bar{E}_2^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} \bar{p}''(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}), \quad (8)$$

$$R = \bar{E}_1^{(k)} + \pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}), \quad \bar{E}_1^{(k)} \cap \pi^{(k)}(\bar{E}_1^{(k)}) \subset E^{(k-1)}, \quad (9)$$

$$E^{(k)} = \bar{E}_1^{(k)} + \bar{E}_2^{(k)}, \quad (10)$$

where $\bar{p}(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$, $\bar{p}'(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$ and $\bar{p}''(\bar{b}_j^{(k)})$ are maximal prime ideals of $\bar{R}$. Moreover, if we set

$$N^{(k)} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{t_k} P_i^{(k)},$$

the intersection of prime ideals $P_i^{(k)}$ of R , then

$$\kappa^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} P_i^{(k)}, \quad P_i^{(k)} = \mathfrak{p}(\alpha_i^{(k)}), \quad i=1, \dots, n_k \leq t_k, \quad (11)$$

$$E_1^{(k)} + N^{(k)} = P_{n_k+1}^{(k)} \cap \dots \cap P_{t_k}^{(k)}. \quad (12)$$

Denote by m the least positive integer which satisfies $A = E^{(m)}$, and by $E_1^{(m)}$ the non-nilpotent part of $E^{(m)}$. Then

$$R = E_1^{(m)} + \bigcap_{k=1}^{n_m} \mathfrak{p}_k, \quad E_1^{(m)} \cap \left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{n_m} \mathfrak{p}_k \right) \subset E^{(m-1)}$$

and $\mathfrak{p}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{p}_{n_m}$ are all maximal prime ideals of R .

Using the foregoing notations and results we can prove the following

Theorem 1. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, A be the Artinian radical of R . Denote by $\kappa(A)$ and $l(A)$ the right and left annihilators of A respectively. Then

$$\left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right)^{m+1} \subset \kappa(A) \subset \bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}), \quad (13)$$

$$\left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m l^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right)^{m+1} \subset l(A) \subset \bigcap_{k=0}^m l^{(k)}(E^{(k)}), \quad (14)$$

where m , $\kappa^{(k)}$ and $l^{(k)}$ have the same meaning as before.

Proof. We only prove the form (13), the form (14) can be proved similarly. Let $r \in \kappa(b)$. Then $Ar = 0$. Hence $k \in \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)})$ for $k=0, 1, \dots, m$, and $\kappa^{(0)}(E^{(0)}) = \kappa(E)$. On the other hand, if $x \in \bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)})$, then $E^{(k)}x \subset E^{(k-1)}$ for $k=0, 1, \dots, m$, where $E^{(-1)} = 0$. Hence $A(x)^{m+1} = 0$, $(x)^{m+1} \subset \kappa(A)$. This proves the theorem.

As in [1] denote $O(I) = \{c \in R \mid c+I \text{ is regular element of } R/I\}$, where I is an arbitrary ideal of R .

Theorem 2. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, A be the Artinian radical of R . Then $\left(A + \left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right) \right)^h$ contains elements of $O(N)$, where N is the nilpotent radical of R and h is arbitrary positive number.

Proof. If $\left(A + \bigcup_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}(E^{(k)})) \right)^h \cap xR \subset N$, then we can show that $xR \subset N$. In fact, we have $xRA^h \subset N$ and $xR \left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right)^h \subset N$. Since $N = P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_t$ is the intersection of prime ideals P_i , we have $\left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right)^h \subset P$ if $xR \not\subset P$, where $P \in \{P_1, \dots, P_t\}$. By Proposition 1 we have

$$\bigcap_{k=0}^m \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathfrak{p}(\alpha_i^{(k)}) \cap \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} \mathfrak{p}'(\beta_j^{(k)}) \right) \right) \subset P. \quad (15)$$

Therefore P is one of $\{\mathfrak{p}(\alpha_i^{(k)}), \dots, \mathfrak{p}(\alpha_{n_k}^{(k)}), \mathfrak{p}'(\beta_1^{(k)}), \dots, \mathfrak{p}'(\beta_{s_k}^{(k)})\}$, for example $P = \mathfrak{p}$. But since $R/\mathfrak{p}$ is Artinian and $P = \mathfrak{p}$ is a minimal prime ideal, we have $A \not\subset P$ by Lemma 4.10 in [1]. Hence from $xRA^h \subset P$ it follows that $xR \subset P$. This contradicts $xR \not\subset P$. Since P is any element of $\{P_1, \dots, P_t\}$, we have $xR \subset N$. By Goldie theorem

$$\left(A + \left(\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \right) \right)^h$$

contains elements of $O(N)$.

Therefore the following theorem (see [1]) follows immediately from Theorems 1 and 2.

Corollary. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, A be the Artinian radical of R . Then $A + \kappa(A)$ contains elements of $O(N)$.

Theorem 3. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, N be the nilpotent radical and $N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t P_i$, the intersection of minimal prime ideals P_i . Write $P \in \{P_1, \dots, P_t\}$. Then either (i) $A \subset P$, $\kappa(A) \not\subset P$ or (ii) $A \not\subset P$, $\kappa(A) \subset P$.

Proof If $\kappa(A) \subset P$, then $\bigcap_{k=0}^m \kappa^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) \subset P$ by Theorem 1. Hence R/P is Artinian for P . But P is a minimal prime ideal. Hence $P \not\supset A$ by the Lemma 4, 10 in [1].

Corollary. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, P a minimal prime ideal of R . Then R/P is Artinian if and only if $A \not\subset P$.

Proof The necessity of the condition has been proved by Lemma 4.10 in [1]. The sufficiency of the condition is now to prove. In fact, if $A \not\subset P$, then $\kappa(A) \subset P$. Hence R/P is Artinian by the proof of Theorem 3.

Theorem 4. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring and A be the Artinian radical, N be the nilpotent radical of R . Then $R = A + \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})$ and $A \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right) \subset N$, where $p(a_i^{(k)})$ is the maximal prime ideal stated in form (6).

Proof By (6) $p(a_i^{(k)})$ is a maximal prime ideal. Hence $R = (a_i^{(k)}) + p(a_i^{(k)})$. If $k=0$, then

$$R = E_1 + \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_0} p(a_i^{(0)})$$

from (2). If $k=1$, then it is easy to see that

$$p(a_i^{(1)}) = E_1 + \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n_0} p(a_i^{(0)}) \cap p(a_i^{(1)}) \right).$$

Hence

$$R = E_1 + (a_i^{(1)}) + \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n_0} p(a_i^{(0)}) \cap p(a_i^{(1)}) \right).$$

By induction we obtain

$$R = E_1 + E_1^{(1)} + \bigcap_{i=1}^{n_0} p(a_i^{(0)}) \cap \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{n_1} p(a_j^{(1)}) \right)$$

and

$$R = \sum_{k=0}^m E_1^{(k)} + \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

Since $\sum_{k=0}^m E_1^{(k)} \subset A$,

$$R = A + \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

Now we want to show that $A \cap (\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})) \subset N$. Let $x \in A \cap (\bigcap_{i,k} p(a_i^{(k)}))$. Then for any

k we have $(a_i^{(k)})(x) \subset E^{(k-1)}$. Since $x \in A$, there exists a positive integer k such that $x \in E^{(k-1)} + (a_1^{(k)}) + \dots + (a_{n_k}^{(k)}) + (b_1^{(k)}) + \dots + (b_{s_k}^{(k)})$, $x \notin E^{(k-1)}$. Therefore

$$x = e^{(k-1)} + a'_1 + \dots + a'_{n_k} + b'_1 + \dots + b'_{s_k}, \quad e^{(k-1)} \in E^{(k-1)}, \quad a'_i \in (a_i^{(k)}), \quad b'_j \in (b_j^{(k)}).$$

Suppose that there exists an element $a'_i \in \{a'_1, \dots, a'_{n_k}\}$ such that $a'_i \notin E^{(k-1)}$, then

$$(a'_i) + E^{(k-1)} = (a_i^{(k)}) + E^{(k-1)}, \quad (a'_i)x + E^{(k-1)} = (a_i^{(k)})a'_i + E^{(k-1)}.$$

This contradicts $(a_i^{(k)})(x) \subset E^{(k-1)}$. Hence $a'_i \in E^{(k-1)}$ for $i=1, \dots, n_k$. Therefore $(x)^2 \subset E^{(k-1)}$, since $(b'_j)^2 \subset E^{(k-1)}$. Also we have

$$(x)^2 \subset E^{(k-2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{k-1}} (a_i^{(k-1)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{k-1}} (b_j^{(k-1)}).$$

Let $y \in (x)^2$. Then $(a_i^{(k)})(y) \subset E^{(k-1)}$ for all k . Analogously we can prove that

$$(y)^2 \subset E^{(k-2)} + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{k-1}} (b_j^{(k-1)}).$$

Since y is an arbitrary element of (x) and R is a left and right Noetherian ring, there exists a positive integer λ such that

$$(x)^\lambda \subset E^{(k-2)} + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{k-1}} (b_j^{(k-1)}).$$

With this procedure we can find a positive integer n^* such that $(x)^{n^*} = 0$. This proves our theorem.

Theorem 5. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, and A be the Artinian radical of R . If A contains no nilpotent ideals of R , then

$$R = A + \kappa(A), \quad A = \sum_{k=1}^m E_1^{(k)}$$

and

$$\kappa(A) = \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

Proof By the hypothesis and Theorem 4 we have $R = A \oplus \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})$. Hence

$$\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \subseteq \kappa(A).$$

From this it follows that

$$\kappa(A) = \bigcup_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \oplus (A \cap \kappa(A)).$$

But A contains no nilpotent ideals of R . So $\kappa(A) \cap A = 0$. On the other hand, from the proof of Theorem 4 it follows that

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^m E_1^{(k)} + \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

Therefore $A = \sum_{k=1}^m E_1^{(k)}$. This proves our theorem.

Theorem 6. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring which has an Artinian

quotient ring. Then for every nilpotent ideal I of R which is contained in A $I^{2^m} = 0$ holds, where m is the least integer satisfying $E^{(m)} = A$. Moreover

$$R = A \oplus \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda,$$

where λ is an integer $> 2^m$.

Proof By Theorem 5.1 of [1] $A = eR$, e is a central idempotent element. As before we set

$$E^{(k)} = E^{(k-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (a_i^{(k)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{s_k} (b_j^{(k)})$$

for $k=1, \dots, m$. Since $e \in A = E^{(m)}$,

$$e = e^{(m-1)} + a_1'^{(m)} + \dots + a_{n_m}'^{(m)} + b_1'^{(m)} + \dots + b_{s_m}'^{(m)} = \tilde{e}^{(m-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} a_i'^{(m)},$$

where $\tilde{e}^{(m-1)} \in E^{(m-1)}$. Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} A = eR &= E^{(m-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} (a_i'^{(m)}) = E^{(m-2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} (a_i^{(m-1)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{m-1}} (b_j^{(m-1)}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} (a_i'^{(m)}), \\ e &= e^{(m-2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} a_i'^{(m-1)} + \sum_{j=1}^{s_{m-1}} b_j'^{(m-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} a_i'^{(m)} = \tilde{e}^{(m-2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} a_i'^{(m-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} \tilde{a}_i'^{(m)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$A = eR = E^{(m-2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{m-1}} (a_i^{(m-1)}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_m} (a_i'^{(m)}).$$

Going on in such way we have

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} (a_i) + \sum_{j=1}^{s_0} (b_j) + \sum_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} (a_i^{(k)}).$$

But $A = eR = A^2$, Hence

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} (a_i) + \sum_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} (a_i^{(k)}).$$

Now we want to prove that

$$A \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = 0$$

for any integer $\lambda > 2^m$, where $(a_i^{(0)}) = (a_i)$. In fact, if $x \in A \cap \left(\bigcap p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$, then $x = c^\lambda$, $c \in \bigcap p(a_i^{(k)})$. Since $A = eR$ and e is a central idempotent element, it follows that $x = ex = ec^\lambda = \underbrace{ec \cdots ec}_{\lambda \text{ time}}$. But $ec \in A \cap \left(\bigcap p(a_i^{(k)}) \right) \subset N$ and N is nilpotent ideal. Applying the

first assertion which shall be proved below we have $(ec)^{2^m} = 0$. But $0 \neq x = \underbrace{ec \cdots ec}_{\lambda \text{ time}}$, $\lambda >$

2^m . This is impossible. Hence $x = 0$. On the other hand, since $R = eR \oplus (1-e)R$, we have $A(1-e)R = 0$. Therefore $(1-e)R \subset \bigcap p(a_i^{(k)})$, $(1-e)R \subset \left(\bigcap p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$. This proves that $R = A \oplus \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$, $(1-e)R = \left(\bigcap p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$ for $\lambda > 2^m$.

Now we want to prove the first assertion. Let I be a nilpotent ideal of R and $I \subset A$. We prove first that $I \subset E^{(m-1)}$. Suppose that $I \not\subset E^{(m-1)}$, Then from

$$E^{(m-1)} + (a_1^{(m)}) + \cdots + (a_{n_m}^{(m)}) = E^{(m)}$$

it follows that $E^{(m-1)} + I$ contains, for example, $(a_1^{(m)})$. And from $E^{(m-1)} + I \subset p(a_1^{(m)})$ it follows that $(a_1^{(m)}) \subset p(a_1^{(m)})$. This is impossible. Now suppose that $I \subset E^{(k)}$, $I \not\subset E^{(k-1)}$. Since $E^{(k)} = E^{(k-1)} + (a_1^{(k)}) + \cdots + (a_{n_k}^{(k)}) + (b_1^{(k)}) + \cdots + (b_{s_k}^{(k)})$, then if $E^{(k-1)} + I$ contains one ideal $(a_i^{(k)})$, $i \leq t \leq n_k$, then as above we obtain a contradiction that $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)}) \subset p(a_i^{(k)})$. Hence $E^{(k-1)} + I \subseteq E^{(k-1)} + (b_1^{(k)}) + \cdots + (b_{s_k}^{(k)})$, since $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$ is a minimal ideal in $\bar{R} = R/E^{(k-1)}$ and $(\bar{a}_i^{(k)})^2 = (\bar{a}_i^{(k)})$. But $(\bar{b}_i^{(k)})(\bar{b}_j^{(k)}) = \bar{0}$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, s_k$. Hence $\bar{I}^2 = \bar{0}$. Write $I_1 = I^2$. Then as before we can prove that there exists an $E^{(k'-1)}$ such that the ideal $\tilde{I}_1$ of $\tilde{R} = R/E^{(k'-1)}$ satisfies $\tilde{I}_1^2 = \tilde{0}$. We go on in such way and finally obtain $I^{2^m} = 0$. This proves our theorem.

Corollary. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring which has an Artinian quotient ring. Then the Artinian radical

$$A = \sum_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} (a_i^{(k)}), \quad \kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = (1 | e)R, \quad R = A \oplus \kappa(A)^\lambda,$$

where $\lambda > 2^m$ and e is a central idempotent element of R such that $A = eR$.

Proof We only show that

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

By Theorem 6 $\left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = (1-e)R$. On the other hand, from $eR(1-e)R = A(1-e)R = 0$ it follows that $(1-e)R \subseteq \kappa(A)$. Clearly $\kappa(A) = \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})$. Hence

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

Similarly, from $(1-e)RA = 0$ it follows that $(1-e)R \subset l(A) \subset \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})$. Hence

$$l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

Theorem 7. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring, A be the Artinian radical. Then A has a central idempotent element e such that $A = eR$ if and only if there exists a positive integer $\lambda > 2^m$ such that

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

Proof The necessity of the condition has been already proved by Theorem 6 and its corollary. Now we want to prove the sufficiency of the condition. From Theorem 4 it follows that

$$R = A + \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda,$$

where λ is an arbitrary positive integer. Then

$$1 = e + e', \quad e \in A, \quad e' \in \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

By the hypothesis of our theorem it is easy to see that $e=e^2$, $e'=e'^2$, $ee'=e'e=0$. Hence $R=eR \oplus (1-e)R$. Since $eR \subset A$, $(1-e)R \subset \mathcal{N}(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda$, $\lambda > 2^m$, we get

$$eR(1-e)R=0, (1-e)ReR=0,$$

i. e. for any $r \in R$ we have $er=re$, e is a central idempotent element of R . Since

$$(1-e)R \subset \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda, R=eR + \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

If $x=er=c^\lambda$, $c \in \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)})$, then $x=ec^\lambda = \underbrace{ec \cdots ec}_{\lambda \text{ times}}$. From Theorem 4 it follows that

$$A \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right) \subset N.$$

Because R is left and right Noetherian, there exists a positive integer t such that $N^t=0$. Choosing $\lambda > t+2^m$ we obtain $x = \underbrace{ec \cdots ec}_{\lambda \text{ times}} = 0$ from $ec \in A \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)$. This proves that

$$eR \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = 0$$

for a suitable integer λ . Hence $R=eR \oplus \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$. From this it follows that

$$(1-e)R = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = \mathcal{N}(A)^\lambda.$$

It is clear that $A=eR \oplus A \cap (1-e)R$. Write $x \in A \cap (1-e)R$. Then from $\mathcal{N}(A)^\lambda=0$ it follows that $x(1-e)=0$, i. e. $x \in eR$, $x=0$. This proves $A=eR$.

Theorem 8. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring and A be the Artinian radical of R . Then A has a central idempotent element e such that $A=eR$ if and only if the $p'(b_j) = \{r \in R \mid (b_j^{(k)})r \subset E^{(k-1)}\}$ and the $p''(b_j^{(k)}) = \{r \in R \mid r(b_j^{(k)}) \subset E^{(k-1)}\}$ all belong to the set $\{p(a_i^{(k)})\}_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}}$, where $j=1, \dots, s_k$; $k=0, \dots, m$.

Proof Necessity: By Theorem 7

$$\mathcal{N}(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

It is easy to see from the above definition that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) &= \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right) \cap \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} p'(b_j^{(k)}) \right), \\ l^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) &= \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n_k} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right) \cap \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{s_k} p''(b_j^{(k)}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence from (13) and (14) it follows that any $p'(b_j^{(k)})$ and $p''(b_j^{(k)})$ contain $\left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$.

Therefore from the property of maximal prime ideal $p(a_i^{(k)})$, follows immediately the assertion of the theorem, where $k=0, \dots, m$, $i=1, \dots, n_k$.

Sufficiency: By the hypothesis

$$\bigcap_{k=0}^m \mathcal{N}^{(k)}(E^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{k=0}^m \mathcal{N}^{(k)}(E_1^{(k)}) = \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}).$$

From (1), (13) and (14) it follows that

$$\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \supset \kappa(A) \supset \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^{m+1}, \quad \bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \supset l(A) \supset \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^{m+1}.$$

From the proof of Theorem 7 we have

$$\left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda + A = R,$$

where λ can be an arbitrary positive integer. Therefore $R = A + (\kappa(A) \cap l(A))^\lambda$.

Write $1 = e + e'$, $e \in A$, $e' \in \kappa(A) \cap l(A)$. We have $e^2 = e$, $e'^2 = e'$, $ee' = e'e = 0$, $R = eR \oplus (1-e)R$. Hence $eR(1-e) = 0$, $(1-e)Re = 0$. This means that for any $r \in R$ we have $r = er$, where e is a central idempotent element of R . Because of

$$(1-e)R \subset (\kappa(A) \cap l(A))^\lambda \subset \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda, \quad R = eR + \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda.$$

Similarly, as in the proof of Theorem 7 we have

$$eR \cap \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = 0.$$

Hence

$$(1-e)R = \left(\bigcap_{k=0, \dots, m} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda = (\kappa(A) \cap l(A))^\lambda.$$

It is easy to see that $A = eR \oplus A \cap (1-e)R$. If $x \in A \cap (1-e)R$, then from $x(\kappa(A) \cap l(A))^\lambda \subset A\kappa(A) = 0$ it follows that $x(1-e) = 0$, $x = ex \in eR \cap (1-e)R = 0$. Hence $A = eR$.

Theorem 9. Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring which has Artinian quotient ring and A be the Artinian radical. Then $\bigcap_0 \kappa(A)^\lambda c = \bigcap_0 c\kappa(A)^\lambda = 0$, $\bigcap_0 l(A)^\lambda c = \bigcap_0 cl(A)^\lambda = 0$, where c denotes all regular elements of R , λ is a positive integer.

Proof By Theorem 5.1 $A = \bigcap_0 Rc = \bigcap_0 cR$. By Theorem 6 and its corollary

$$\bigcap_0 Rc = A \oplus \bigcap_0 (Rc \cap \kappa(A)^\lambda) = A \oplus \bigcup_0 \kappa(A)^\lambda c.$$

Hence $\bigcap_0 \kappa(A)^\lambda c = 0$. Analogously we can show that $\bigcap_0 c\kappa(A)^\lambda = 0$. On the other hand, since R is left and right Noetherian, the right Artinian radical is also left one. From the assumption that R has Artinian quotient ring it follows symmetrically that $\bigcap_0 l(A)^\lambda c = \bigcap_0 cl(A)^\lambda = 0$.

§ 2.

In this section we shall discuss mainly the following problem: When does a left and right Noetherian ring with Krull dimension 1 have quotient ring? In the preceding section we knew from Theorems 7 and 8 that if R is a left and right Noetherian ring which has Artinian quotient ring, then the Artinian radical A of R must have

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda, \lambda > 2^m;$$

this is equivalent to saying that $p'(a_i^{(k)})$ and $p''(a_i^{(k)})$ all belong to the set $\{p(a_i^{(k)})\}_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}}$.

Now we ask whether R has Artinian quotient ring if the Artinian radical A of R satisfies the above stated condition. To reply this question we need to establish the following theorem which expands Lenagan's theorem (see [1], p. 73, Theorem 5.6).

Theorem 10. *Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring with Krull dimension one and let A be the Artinian radical. Then R has Artinian quotient ring if and only if $\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda$.*

Proof The necessity of the condition has been shown by Theorems 5.1 and 7 in [1]. Now we need only to show the sufficiency of the condition. If

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda,$$

then from Theorem 8 it follows that $R = A \oplus \kappa(A)^\lambda$. Write $S = A \oplus \kappa(A)^\lambda$. Then we can show that the Krull dimension of S is one. In fact, the minimal left and right ideals of S are also the left and right ones of R , and $R/A \oplus L \cong \kappa(A)^\lambda/L$, where L is a right(left) ideal which contains nilpotent radical N of S . Set $\bar{S} = S/N$. Then $\bar{L}$ is essential right(left) ideal of $\bar{S}$ if and only if $A \oplus L/\tilde{N}$ is essential right(left) ideal of $R/\tilde{N}$, where $\tilde{N}$ is nilpotent radical of R . It is clear that $\tilde{N} \supset N$. Because the Krull dimension of R is one, the Krull dimension of S is also one. Since the Artinian radical of S is zero, by Lenagan's theorem S has Artinian quotient ring. It is well-known that the Artinian quotient ring of A is itself. On the other hand, if c is regular element of R , then $c = c_1 + c_2$, $c_1 \in A$, $c_2 \in S$, c_1 and c_2 are regular elements of A and S respectively. It is easy to see that the Artinian quotient ring of R is the sum of the Artinian quotient rings of A and S . This proves the theorem.

Theorem 11. *Let R be a left and right Noetherian ring with Krull dimension one, let A be the Artinian radical of R ,*

$$\kappa(A)^\lambda = l(A)^\lambda = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n_k \\ k=0, \dots, m}} p(a_i^{(k)}) \right)^\lambda,$$

and let K be a right ideal of R , $K \supset A$. Then R/K is Artinian as right R -module if and only if K contains regular elements.

Proof From the hypothesis it follows that $R = A \oplus \kappa(A)^\lambda$. Hence $K = A \oplus B$, $B = K \cap \kappa(A)^\lambda$, and $R/K \cong \kappa(A)^\lambda/B$. Since the Artinian radical of ring $\kappa(A)^\lambda$ is zero, by Lenagan's theorem (see p. 74 in [1]) $\kappa(A)^\lambda/B$ is Artinian as right $\kappa(A)^\lambda$ -module if and only if B contains the regular element c' of $\kappa(A)$. Hence R/K is Artinian as R -module if and only if K contains regular element $e + c'$, where $A = eR$, e is the central idempotent element of R . This proves the theorem.

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