

r-Regular Near-Rings

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ABSTRACT

In this paper the terms, regular near-rings, r-regular near-rings, symmetric near-ring, weakly regular near-ring, completely prime ideal, 1-prime ideal, 1-semiprime ideals are introduced. We investigated some basic properties for r-regular near-rings. We use completely prime ideal, maximal ideal, 1-prime ideal, 1-semiprime ideals to characterize r-regular near-rings. Finally, we proved that the following conditions concerning for r-regular near-ring with identity and has IFP are equivalent (1) N is regular near-ring. (2) $A = \sqrt{A}$ for every N-subgroup A of N. (3) N is left bipotent. (4) N is strongly regular near-ring. And also it is proved that the following conditions concerning for a near-ring $N \in \eta_0$ with identity are equivalent (1) N is r-regular and has IFP and (2) N is reduced and every completely prime ideal is maximal.

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I. INTRODUCTION:

The history of the concept near-ring is highly influenced by the knowledge of ring theory. Regular (von-neumann regular) ring plays an important role in structure theory of rings which was first introduced by Von-Neumann. Generalization of rings (Near-rings) plays a vital role in the development of Mathematics. Several mathematicians studied and developed various types of near-rings such as Boolean near-rings, IFP near-rings, left bipotent near-rings, P-strongly regular near-ring and strong IFP near-rings

The first step in this subject was taken by Dickson and Zassenhaus [1] with their studies of "near-fields" and by Wielandt with his classification of an important class of abstract near-rings. Various characterization of near-rings are developed by Betsch [2], Laxton [3], Steve Ligh [4], [5], Beidleman [6], Bell [7], Ramakotiah [8], Gunter Pilz [9]. Especially, in ideal theory of near-rings, Groenewald [10], Holcombe [11], Birkenmeier [12] researched on different types of prime ideals in near-rings, types of primitivity, radicals in near-rings. Later, Dheena [13], Elavarasan [14] developed the regularity concept

by introducing s-weakly regular near-rings and strong IFP near-rings. This regularity concept was researched by Mason [15], [16], Y.V.Reddy and C.V.L.N.Murthy [17], Groenewald and Argac [18]. Recently Yong Uk Cho [19], T. Tamizh Chelvam, S. Uma, and R. BalaKrishnan [20] developed some characterization on near-rings by introducing semi central idempotents and α_1, α_2 near-rings.

Definition 1.1 : [9] A **right near-ring** is a nonempty set N together with two binary operations '+' and '.' such that

- i. $(N, +)$ is a group.
- ii. (N, \cdot) is a semigroup.
- iii. For all $n_1, n_2, n_3 \in N, (n_1 + n_2) \cdot n_3 = n_1 \cdot n_3 + n_2 \cdot n_3$ (right distributive law).

Example 1.2 : [9] Let Γ be an additive group. Let $M(\Gamma)$ be the set of mappings of Γ into itself. We define addition and multiplication in $M(\Gamma)$ as follows:

- i. $(f + g)(\gamma) = f(\gamma) + g(\gamma)$.

ii. $fg(\gamma) = f(g(\gamma))$, for all $f, g \in M(\Gamma)$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$.

We show that $M(\Gamma)$ together with the above binary operations of addition and multiplication forms a near-ring. Consider the two mappings $\bar{0} : \gamma \rightarrow 0$ (zero mapping of Γ) and $\bar{1} : \gamma \rightarrow \gamma$ (identity mapping of Γ). If $f \in M(\Gamma)$, define $-f$ to be the mapping given by $(-f)(\gamma) = -f(\gamma)$, for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Obviously, $f + (-f) = \bar{0}$ and $(-f) + f = \bar{0}$, for all $f \in M(\Gamma)$.

Furthermore, it can be easily shown that for all $f, g, h \in M(\Gamma)$,

$$(f + g) + h = f + (g + h), (fg)h = f(gh),$$

$$(f + g)h = fh + gh.$$

Hence $(M(\Gamma), +, \cdot)$ is a near-ring.

Example 1.3 : Let $(N, +)$ where $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$ be the Klein's four group with the addition and product table 1 and table 2 respectively.

Table 1: Addition table

+	0	a	b	c
0	0	a	b	c
a	a	0	c	b
b	b	c	0	a
c	c	b	a	0

Table 2: Product table

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	b	c
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	b	c

Then $(N, +, \cdot)$ is a near-ring.

Definition 1.4 : [9] Let N be a near-ring. Then $N_0 = \{n \in N / n0 = 0\}$ is called the **zerosymmetric part** of N .

Definition 1.5 : [9] A near-ring N is called **zero symmetric near-ring** if $n0 = 0$, for all $n \in N$ i.e. $N = N_0$.

Definition 1.6 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring N is said to be **left identity** of N , if $ax = x$ for all $x \in N$.

Definition 1.7 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring N is said to be **right identity** of N , if $xa = x$ for all $x \in N$.

Definition 1.8 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring N is said to be **two sided identity or an identity element** of N , if it is both a left identity and a right identity of N .

Definition 1.9 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring N is said to be **left invertible** of N , if there exist an

element $b \in N$ such that $ba = 1$. The element 'b' is called **left inverse** of a.

Definition 1.10 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring N is said to be **right invertible** of N , if there exist an element $c \in N$ such that $ac = 1$. The element 'c' is called **right inverse** of a.

Definition 1.11 : [9] An element 'a' of a near-ring is said to be **invertible** of N , if 'a' is both left invertible and right invertible of N .

Definition 1.12 : [9] A subgroup M of a near-ring N with $MM \subseteq M$ is called a **subnear-ring** of N .

Definition 1.13 : [9] A subgroup M of a near-ring N is said to be a **N-subgroup**, if $NM \subseteq M$.

Notation 1.14 : [9] If $S, T \subseteq N$, then we define $ST = \{st / s \in S, t \in T\}$.

Definition 1.15 : [9] A normal subgroup I of $(N, +)$ is called a **left ideal** of a near-ring N , if for all $n, m \in N$, for all $i \in I$, $n(m+i) - nm \in I$.

Definition 1.16 : [9] A normal subgroup I of $(N, +)$ is called a **right ideal** of a near-ring N , if $IN \subseteq I$.

Definition 1.17 : [9] A normal subgroup I of $(N, +)$ is both a left ideal and a right ideal of a near-ring N is called a **two sided ideal or ideal** of N .

Theorem 1.18 : [9] If N is a zero-symmetric near-ring, then every ideal of N is an N-subgroup of N .

Definition 1.19 : [9] Let X be a non-empty subset of a near-ring N . Let $\{L_i / i \in I\}$ be the family of all

left ideals which contain X . $L = \bigcap_{i \in I} L_i$ is the

smallest left ideal containing X is called the **left ideal generated** by X .

Definition 1.20 : [9] The intersection of all right ideals of N containing a non-empty set X is called the **right ideal generated** by X .

Definition 1.21 : [9] An ideal A of a near-ring N is called **principal ideal** of N if A is an ideal generated by a single element.

If an ideal A is generated by an element 'a', then A is denoted by $\langle a \rangle$.

Definition 1.22 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be **simple** if N has no non-trivial ideals.

Definition 1.23 : [9] Let N be a near-ring. If $(N - \{0\}, \cdot)$ is a group, then N is called a **near-field**.

Definition 1.24 : [9] A **zero divisor** of a near-ring N is an element $a \neq 0$ of N which satisfies $ab = 0$ for some nonzero b in N .

Definition 1.25 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be **integral** if it has no non zero divisors.

Definition 1.26 : [9] If N is a near-ring, then the **center** of N is the set $C = \{x \in N / nx = xn, \text{ for all } n \in N\}$. Elements of C are called central.

Definition1.27 : [9] An element 'a' is said to be **idempotent element** of a near-ring N if $a^2 = a$, for $a \in N$.

Definition1.28 : [9] A non empty subset A of a semi group S is said to be **subsemi group** of S if for any $a, b \in A$ implies $ab \in A$.

Definition1.29 : [9, 13] A nonempty set $M \subseteq N$ is called **m-system** if for all $a, b \in M$ there exist $a_1 \in \langle a \rangle, b_1 \in \langle b \rangle$ such that $a_1 b_1 \in M$.

Definition1.30 : [9] An ideal M in a near-ring N is said to be **maximal ideal** if $M \neq N$ and for every ideal I such that $M \subseteq I \subseteq N$, either $M = I$ or $I = N$.

Definition1.31 : [9] An ideal M in a near-ring N is said to be **minimal ideal** of N if it is minimal in the set of all non zero ideals of N.

Definition1.32 : [9] An ideal P in a near-ring N is said to be **prime ideal** if $P \neq N$ and for any ideals I, J in N, $IJ \subseteq P \Rightarrow I \subseteq P$ or $J \subseteq P$.

Definition1.33 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be **primenear-ring** if $\{0\}$ is a prime ideal.

Definition1.34 : [9] An ideal S in a near-ring N is **semiprime ideal** if for every ideal I of N such that $I^2 \subseteq S \Rightarrow I \subseteq S$.

Theorem1.35 : [9] Each prime ideal of a near-ring is semi prime.

Theorem1.36 : [9] Let N be a near-ring with $N^2 = N$. Then every maximal ideal in N is prime.

Definition1.37 : [9] If I is an ideal in a near-ring N,

then $\wp(I) = \bigcap_{P \text{ prime ideal } P \supseteq I} P$ is the

primeradical of I.

Definition1.38 : [9] The intersection of all prime ideals of a near-ring N is called the **primeradical** of N and denoted by $\wp(N)$.

Definition1.39 : [9] The **quasi radical** of a near-ring N is the intersection of all the maximal right ideals of N.

Definition1.40 : An element n in a near-ring N is called **nilpotent**, if there exist $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n^k = 0$.

Definition1.41 : A subset S in a near-ring N is called **nilpotent** if there exist $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $S^k = \{0\}$.

Definition1.42 : A subset S in a near-ring N is called **nil** if all $s \in S$ are nilpotent.

Definition1.43 : An N-subgroup S of a near-ring N is called a **Nil N-Subgroup** if all elements of S are nilpotent.

Definition1.44 : The sum of all nil ideals of a near-ring N is called the **nilradical** of N and is denoted by $\eta(N)$.

Definition1.45 : Let Δ be a subset of a near-ring N. Then the set $(0 : \Delta) = \{n \in N / nx = 0, \text{ for all } x \in \Delta\}$ is called the **annihilator** of Δ .

Note1.46 : If $\Delta = \{\delta\}$, then $(0 : \Delta)$ is denoted by $(0 : \delta)$.

Theorem1.47 : [9] For any $\delta \in N$, $(0 : \delta)$ is a left ideal of a near-ring N.

Theorem1.48 : [9] If Δ is a N - subgroup of Γ , then $(0 : \Delta)$ is an ideal in a near-ring N.

Definition1.49 : [7, 9, 14] A near-ring N is said to fulfill the **insertion of factors property (IFP)**, if $ab = 0 \Rightarrow anb = 0$, for all $a, b, n \in N$.

Example1.50 : Let $(N, +)$ where $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$ be the Klein's four group. Define multiplication in N as shown in the table 3.

Table.3: Product table

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	b	c
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	b	c

Then $(N, +, \cdot)$ is a IFP near-ring.

Theorem1.51 : [9] The following assertions are equivalent :

- i. N has the IFP - property.
- ii. $(0 : n)$ is an ideal of N, for all $n \in N$.
- iii. $(0 : S)$ is an ideal of N, for all subsets S of N.

Definition1.52 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be **reduced near-ring** if it is without non-zero nilpotent elements.

Theorem1.53 : [9] If $N \in \eta_0$ is reduced near-ring. For any a, b in N, if e is an idempotent in N then $abe = aeb$.

Theorem1.54 : If N is a zero-symmetric near-ring without nonzero nilpotent elements, then N has the IFP- property.

Proof : If $ab = 0$ ($a, b \in N$), then $(ba)^2 = baba = b0a = 0$.

Hence $ba = 0$ (1).

For all $n \in N$, $(nb)a = n(ba) = n0 = 0$.

$anb = a(nb) = 0$ (by (1)).

Therefore N has the IFP.

The above theorem is not true for arbitrary near-rings, in general.

For this consider the following example.

Example 1.55 : Let Z_2 be the group of integers modulo 2. $M(Z_2)$ is a near-ring without nonzero nilpotent elements. But $M(Z_2)$ does not possess the IFP property.

For, if $f \in M(Z_2)$ is given by $f(0) = 1$ and $f(1) = 0$; $g \in M(Z_2)$ is given by $g(0) = 1$ and $g(1) = 1$, then $fg = 0$, but $ffg \neq 0$.

Definition 1.56 : A **homomorphism** of a near-ring N is a mapping ϕ of N into a near-ring M such that for all $a, b \in N$, $\phi(a+b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$ and $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$.

Definition 1.57 : An **epimorphism** of a near-ring N is a homomorphism which is onto.

Definition 1.58 : A **monomorphism** of a near-ring N is a one-one mapping and homomorphism.

Definition 1.59 : An **isomorphism** of a near-ring is both epimorphism and monomorphism.

Definition 1.60 : [9] Let $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of near-rings. The Cartesian product of the N_i is the set of all functions $f : I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} N_i$ such that $f(i) \in N_i$ for

all $i \in I$. It is denoted by $\prod_{i \in I} N_i$. N_i with the component-wise defined operations '+' and '.' (i.e. $(f+g)(i) = f(i) + g(i)$ and $fg(i) = f(i)g(i)$ for all $f, g \in \prod_{i \in I} N_i$) is called the **direct product of the near-**

rings $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$.

Definition 1.61 : [9] Let $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of near-rings. The Cartesian product of the N_i is the set of all functions $f : I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} N_i$ such that

$f(i) \in N_i$ for all $i \in I$. It is denoted by $\prod_{i \in I} N_i$. For each $i \in I$, define a map $\prod_i : \prod_{j \in I} N_j \rightarrow N_i$ by

$\prod_i(f) = f(i)$. Then \prod_i is an epimorphism

and it is called the **projection** of $\prod_{j \in I} N_j$ onto N_i .

Definition 1.62 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be a **subdirect product** of the family of near-rings $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$ if N is a subnear-ring of the direct product $\prod_{i \in I} N_i$ such that $\prod_j(N) = N_j$, for every $j \in I$,

where $\prod_i : \prod_{i \in I} N_i \rightarrow N_j$, is the projection map.

Definition 1.63 : [9] A near-ring N is called **subdirectly irreducible** if the intersection of all non-zero ideals of N is non-zero.

Theorem 1.64 : [9] **Every near-ring is isomorphic to a subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings.**

Definition 1.65 : [9] A relation R on a set A is called **partial order relation** if R is reflexive, anti-symmetric and transitive. Then (A, R) is called the **partial ordered set** or a **poset**.

Definition 1.66 : [9] A partial ordered set A such that any two elements are comparable is called a **total ordered set**.

Lemma (Zorn's lemma) 1.67 : [9] **If every totally ordered set C in a poset (S, ≤) has a lower bound (upper bound), then (S, ≤) has a minimal element (maximal element).**

Theorem 1.68 : [13] **If $N \in \eta_0$ is a reduced near-ring then for any $0 \neq a \in N$, (1) $N/A(a)$ is reduced and the residue class \bar{a} of a mod $A(a)$ is a nonzero divisor where $A(a) = \{x \in N / xa = 0\}$.**

(2) $x_1 x_2 \dots x_n = 0$ implies $\langle x_1 \rangle \langle x_2 \rangle \dots \langle x_n \rangle = 0$

for any x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in N.

Theorem 1.69: [13] **Let N be a reduced near-ring. If M is a nonvoid multiplicative subsemigroup of N such that $0 \notin M$, then there exist a completely prime ideal P of N such that $P \cap M = \emptyset$.**

Definition 1.70 : [9] A near-ring is said to be **Left bipotent** if $Na = Na^2$ for each a in N.

Definition 1.71 : [9] A near-ring N is said to be **regular near-ring** if for every a in N there exist in N such that $axa = a$.

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Definition 2.1 : A near-ring N is called **r -regular near-ring**, if for each $a \in N$ there exist

$e^2 = e \in N$ such that $a = ae$, $e \in \langle a \rangle$, where $\langle a \rangle$ is the left ideal generated by a .

Example 2.2 : Any regular near-ring is a r - regular near-ring.

Consider a near-ring on the group $Z_6 = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \}$ with addition and product tables are given below Table 4 and Table 5

Table 4: Addition table

+	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	2	3	4	5	0	1
3	3	4	5	0	1	2
4	4	5	0	1	2	3
5	5	0	1	2	3	4

Table 5:product table

.	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	3	5	5	3	1	1
2	0	4	4	0	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	0	2	2	0	4	4
5	3	1	1	3	5	5

This near-ring is regular near-ring and also r - regular near-ring.

Theorem2.3 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring then $N = aN$.

Proof : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring then $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle$.

$$\Rightarrow a \in aN \quad \forall a \in N.$$

Therefore $N = aN$.

Theorem2.4 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring then $(0 : a) = (0 : aN) = (0 : N)$, for all $a \in N$.

Proof : Since N is r - regular near-ring, $a \in aN$.

$$\text{Now } xaN = 0 \Rightarrow xa = 0 \Rightarrow (0 : aN) \subseteq (0 : a).$$

Let $x \in (0 : a)$ then $xa = 0 \Rightarrow xaN = 0N = 0 \Rightarrow x \in (0 : aN) \Rightarrow (0 : a) \subseteq (0 : aN)$. Therefore $(0 : a) = (0 : aN)$.

By the theorem 2.3, $(0 : a) = (0 : aN) = (0 : N)$.

Theorem2.5 : Let a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring. Then every principal ideal is generated by an idempotent.

Proof : Let $a \in N$. Consider a principal ideal generated by a, $\langle a \rangle$. If N is r - regular near-ring,

$$\text{then } a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle$$

$$a = ae \in \langle e \rangle \Rightarrow \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle e \rangle. \text{ Therefore } \langle a \rangle = \langle e \rangle$$

Theorem2.6 : Let a near-ring N be r - regular near-ring. Then N has no nonzero nil ideals.

Proof : Suppose A be a nonzero nil ideal in N.

$$\text{Let } 0 \neq a \in A \text{ and } a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle, e^2 = e.$$

$$\text{By the theorem 2.5, } e \in \langle e \rangle = \langle a \rangle \subseteq A.$$

$\Rightarrow e$ is a nilpotent element, which is a contradiction to the fact that e is an idempotent. Therefore N has no nonzero nil ideals.

Theorem2.7 : Let N a near-ring is r - regular near-ring and every N-subgroup is an ideal of N then N is regular near-ring.

Proof : Suppose that N is r - regular near-ring and every N-subgroup is an ideal of N

Then Na is an ideal, for all $a \in N$.

$$\text{By the theorem 1.18, } a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle = Na.$$

$$\Rightarrow e = na \text{ for some } n \in N.$$

$$\text{Na is an ideal contains } a \Rightarrow \langle a \rangle \subseteq Na.$$

$$\text{But } Na = \langle a \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow a = ae = ana.$$

Hence N is regular near-ring.

Theorem2.8 : If N is r - regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then $a = ae$ implies $a = ea$.

Proof : Suppose N is r - regular near-ring.

Now $a \in N$ there exists $e \in N$ such that $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle$.

$$\text{Since } (1 - e)e = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - e)ae = 0 \quad \forall a \in N.$$

$$\Rightarrow ae - eae = 0 \Rightarrow ae = eae = ea.$$

Therefore $a = ae$ implies $a = ea$.

Theorem2.9 : If N is r - regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then N is reduced.

Proof : Suppose a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring. Let $a \in N$ and $a^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a \in (0 : a) \Rightarrow \langle a \rangle \subseteq (0 : a)$.

$$\text{By the theorem 2.8, we have, } a = ae = ea \in \langle a \rangle a \subseteq (0 : a) a = 0.$$

Therefore N is reduced.

Definition2.10 : A near-ring N is said to be symmetric near-ring if $\langle a \rangle^2 = \langle a^2 \rangle$ for each a in N.

Theorem2.11 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring, $N \in \eta_0$ and is symmetric then N is reduced.

Proof : Assume $0 \neq a \in N$ and $a^2 = 0$.

$$a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle$$

$$e = e^2 = \langle a \rangle^2 = \langle a^2 \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0. \text{ It is a contradiction.}$$

Hence N is reduced.

Notation 2.12 : For any subset A of N, write $\sqrt[A]{A} = \{ x \in N / x^k \in A \text{ for some positive integer } k \}$.

Definition 2.13 : A near-ring N is said to be strongly regular near-ring iff for each a in N there exist $x \in N$ such that $a = xa^2$.

Theorem 2.14 : [9] Every strongly regular near-ring is regular near-ring.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true. For example,

Example 2.15 : $(M(\Gamma), +, \cdot)$ is a regular near-ring but not strongly regular near-ring. In particular, Let $Z_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ be the group of integers modulo 4. $(M(Z_4), +, \cdot)$ is regular near ring.

$$\text{Let } f \in M(Z_4) \text{ be given by } f = \begin{cases} 0 \rightarrow 0 \\ 1 \rightarrow 2 \\ 2 \rightarrow 0 \\ 3 \rightarrow 2 \end{cases}$$

$f^2 = 0$, implies that f is nilpotent. Since $M(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ contains non-zero nilpotent elements, $M(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ is not strongly regular near-ring.

Theorem 2.16 : Let a near-ring $N \in \eta_0$ be r -regular near-ring with identity and has IFP. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1) N is regular near-ring.
- (2) $A = \sqrt{A}$ for every N -subgroup A of N .
- (3) N is left bipotent.
- (4) N is strongly regular near-ring.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) : Suppose N is regular near-ring. Let $a \in A \Rightarrow a^1 \in A \Rightarrow a \in \sqrt{A} \Rightarrow A \subseteq \sqrt{A}$. Now $a \in \sqrt{A} \Rightarrow a^k \in A$ for some positive integer k .

Since N is regular near-ring, then $a = aya$ for some y in N and ya is an idempotent.

By the theorem 2.8 and theorem 1.53, $a = ae = ea = eaya = eyaa = eya^2 = ey(eya^2) = eyeya^3 = e^2yya^3 = ey^2a^3 = \dots = za^k$ for some z in N .

$a = za^k \in NA \subseteq A \Rightarrow a \in A$.

Therefore $\sqrt{A} \subseteq A$. Hence $A = \sqrt{A}$ for every N -subgroup A of N .

(2) \Rightarrow (3) : Let $0 \neq a \in N$ and $a \in Na$.

Let $0 \neq a \in N$, Na^2 is an N -subgroup of N .

$a^3 \in Na^2 \Rightarrow a \in \sqrt{Na^2} = Na^2$.

$\Rightarrow Na \subseteq Na^2$ and $Na^2 \subseteq Na$.

Therefore $Na = Na^2$. Hence N is left bipotent.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) : Suppose N is left bipotent.

By the theorem 2.8, $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle, e^2 = e = ea$.

$a \in Na = Na^2 \Rightarrow a = ya^2$ for some y in N .

Therefore N is strongly regular near-ring.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) : Suppose N is strongly regular near-ring.

By the theorem 2.14, Then N is regular near-ring.

Definition 2.17: A near-ring N is said to be **weakly regular near-ring** if $A^2 = A$ for every ideal A of N .

Theorem 2.18 : Let a near-ring N be r -regular near-ring. Then N is weakly regular near-ring.

Proof : Let I be an ideal of N and $a \in I$.

Since $a = ae, e^2 = e, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle \subseteq I \subseteq I = I^2$.

Therefore $I \subseteq I^2$ But $I^2 \subseteq I$, therefore $I = I^2$.

Thus N is weakly regular near-ring.

Theorem 2.19 : Let a near-ring N be r -regular near-ring. Then N has no nonzero nilpotent ideal.

Proof : Suppose J be a nonzero nilpotent ideal in N .

Then there exist a positive integer k such that

$J^k = (0)$. By the theorem 2.18, every ideal in N is idempotent i.e., $J = J^2$.

$J^k = J^{k-2} J = J^{k-4} J^2 J = J^{k-4} J J = J^{k-4} J^2$

$= J^{k-4} J = \dots$ Continuing in this way, we get

$J = (0)$. It is a contradiction. Thus N has no nonzero nilpotent ideal.

III. IDEAL THEORY IN r -REGULAR NEAR-RINGS

Definition 3.1 : An ideal P of near-ring N is called **completely prime ideal** if $ab \in P$ implies $a \in P$ or $b \in P$.

Theorem 3.2 : Let a near-ring N be r -regular near-ring with 1 then every completely prime ideal P is maximal.

Proof : Let P be completely prime ideal of N .

Suppose $P \subseteq M \subseteq N$, then there exist $a \in M \setminus P$.

Now $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq M \Rightarrow e \in M$.

$\Rightarrow ex \in M$.

$(1 - e)e = 0 \in P$ and $e \notin P \Rightarrow 1 - e \in P \subset M$

$\Rightarrow 1 - e \in M$.

Now $x \in N \Rightarrow x = 1.x = (1 - e + e)x = (1 - e)x + ex \in M$.

Therefore $N = M$.

Hence P is maximal ideal of N .

Theorem 3.3 : Let a near-ring N be r -regular near-ring with unity and let I be a maximal ideal in N then I is prime ideal.

Proof : Let A, B are ideals of N and let $AB \subseteq I$.

Assume $B \not\subseteq I$. Since I is maximal, we have $B + I = N \Rightarrow AN = A(B + I) = [A(B + I) - AB] + AB$

$\subseteq I + I \subseteq I \Rightarrow AN \subseteq I$.

Since $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle, e^2 = e$, by the theorem 2.3,

we have, $a \in aN \forall a \in N$.

Let a be arbitrary element in A .

$a \in aN \subseteq AN \subseteq I$.

Therefore $A \subseteq I$.

Hence I is prime ideal.

Definition 3.4 : An ideal P in a near-ring N is said to be **1-prime ideal** if $P \neq N$ and for any left ideals I, J in $N, IJ \subseteq P \Rightarrow I \subseteq P$ or $J \subseteq P$.

Theorem 3.5 : Let a near-ring N be r -regular near-ring with unity. let I be a maximal ideal in N then I is 1-prime ideal.

Proof : Let A, B are the left ideals of N and let $AB \subseteq I$. Assume $B \not\subseteq I$. Since I is maximal, we have $B + I = N$.

$\Rightarrow AN = A(B + I) = [A(B + I) - AB] + AB \subseteq I + I \subseteq I \Rightarrow AN \subseteq I$.

Since $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle, e^2 = e$, by the theorem 2.3,

we have, $a \in aN \forall a \in N$.

Let a be arbitrary element in A .

$a \in aN \subseteq AN \subseteq I$.

Therefore $A \subseteq I$.

Hence I is 1- prime ideal.

Theorem3.6 : For a r - regular near-ring N with 1, completely prime radical ($\rho_c(N)$) of N is quasi radical ($Q(N)$) of N .

Proof : $\rho_c(N) = \bigcap \{ I / I \text{ is completely prime ideals of } N \}$, by the theorem 3.2.

$$= \bigcap \{ I / I \text{ is maximal ideals of } N \}.$$

$$= \bigcap \{ I / I \text{ is maximal right ideals of } N \}.$$

$$= \text{quasi radical } (Q(N)) \text{ of } N.$$

Theorem3.7 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring, then every ideal of N is semiprime.

Proof : Let A be an ideal and $I \leq N$ such that

$I^2 \subseteq A$. Let $a \in I$ then there exist $e^2 = e \in \langle a \rangle$ such that $a = ae$.

$a = ae \in II \subseteq A$. Therefore $I \subseteq A$.

Hence every ideal is semiprime.

Definition 3.8 : A left ideal S in a near-ring N is 1-semiprime ideal if for all left ideals I of N such that $I^2 \subseteq S \Rightarrow I \subseteq S$.

Theorem3.9: If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring, then every left ideal of N is 1-semiprime.

Proof : Let A be left ideal in N , such that $I^2 \subseteq A$.

Let $a \in I$ then there exist $e^2 = e \in \langle a \rangle$ such that $a = ae$.

$a = ae \in II \subseteq A$. Therefore $I \subseteq A$.

Hence every ideal is 1-semiprime.

Note3.10 : I is a semiprime ideal of a near-ring N then I is the intersection of all prime ideals containing I .

$$I = \bigcap_P P, P \text{ is prime.}$$

Take $I = (0)$ then $\bigcap_P P = (0) \Rightarrow$ Prime radical of N is zero.

Theorem3.11 : If near-ring N is r - regular near-ring, then $\eta(N) = \{0\}$.

Proof : Let I be an ideal in a near-ring N .

By the theorem 3.7, we have, I is semiprime.

Let I be nonzero nilpotent ideal of N .

Suppose $I^2 = (0)$.

Since I is semiprime, $I = (0)$. It is a contradiction.

Therefore N has no nonzero nilpotent ideal.

Hence $\eta(N) = \{0\}$.

Theorem3.12 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring, the sum of all nilpotent ideals are zero.

Proof : Let I be the left ideal in a near-ring N .

By the theorem 3.9, we have, I is 1-semiprime.

Let I be nonzero nilpotent left ideal of N .

Suppose $I^2 = (0)$.

Since I is semiprime, $I = (0)$. It is a contradiction.

Therefore N has no nonzero nilpotent left ideal.

Hence, the sum of all nilpotent ideals are zero.

Theorem3.13 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then N is simple if and only if N is integral.

Proof : Suppose N is simple.

Let $a, b \in N$ and $ab = 0$ and if $a \neq 0 \Rightarrow a \in (0 : b)$.

Since N has IFP, $(0 : b)$ is two sided ideal.

By supposition, N is simple, we have $(0 : b) = N$.

$b \in N = (0 : b) \Rightarrow b^2 = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0$.

Therefore N is integral.

Conversely suppose that N is integral.

Let $0 \neq I \leq N, a \neq 0, a \in I$.

$a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq I \Rightarrow a = ea$.

$\Rightarrow (1 - e)a = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - e = 0 \Rightarrow 1 = e \in I$.

Therefore $N = I$.

Hence N is simple.

Theorem3.14 : If a near-ring N is r - regular near-ring then every ideal I of N is r - regular near-ring.

Proof : Suppose N is r - regular near-ring.

Let I be an ideal in a near-ring N .

Let $a \in I$ then $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq I$.

Therefore I is r - regular near-ring.

Note3.15 : A subring of a r - regular near-ring need not be a r - regular near-ring.

Example3.16 : Q is regular implies Q is r - regular near-ring.

But Z is subring of Q which is not r - regular.

$$2 = 2.1, 1 \notin \langle 2 \rangle \subset \langle 2 \rangle = 2Z$$

Theorem3.17 : The following are equivalent for a near-ring $N \in \eta_0$ with identity.

- (1) N is r - regular and has IFP
- (2) N is reduced and every completely prime ideal is maximal.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose N is r - regular near-ring.

By the theorem 2.9, N is reduced and by the theorem 3.2, every completely prime ideal is maximal.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Suppose $N \in \eta_0$ is reduced and every completely prime ideal is maximal.

Since $N \in \eta_0$ is reduced, then $ab = 0 \Rightarrow ba = 0$.

Consider $nba = n (ba) = n0 = 0$.

$\Rightarrow (nb) a = 0 \Rightarrow anb = 0 \quad \forall n \in N$.

Therefore N has IFP.

Let $0 \neq a \in N$, by the theorem 1.68, $\bar{N} = N/A(a)$ is reduced and \bar{a} is not a zero divisor.

Also every completely prime ideal of \bar{N} is a maximal ideal in \bar{N} .

Let M be the multiplicative subsemigroup generated by an element $\bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a}$, where $\bar{e} \in \langle a \rangle$.

If not, by the theorem 1.69, there exist a completely prime ideal \bar{P} with $\bar{P} \cap M = \phi$.

Suppose $\langle \bar{a} \rangle \subseteq \bar{P}$ then $\bar{a} \in \bar{P}$.

$\Rightarrow \bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a} \in \bar{P}$.

$\Rightarrow \bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a} \in \bar{P} \cap M$, it is a contradiction to the fact that $\bar{P} \cap M = \phi$.

Suppose $\langle \bar{a} \rangle \not\subseteq \bar{P}$ and \bar{P} is maximal, we have $\bar{N} = \bar{P} + \langle a \rangle$.

$\bar{1} = \bar{\alpha} + \bar{e}$ where $\bar{\alpha} \in \bar{P}$, $\bar{e} \in \langle a \rangle$.

$\bar{a} = \bar{\alpha} \bar{a} + \bar{e} \bar{a}$.

$\Rightarrow \bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a} = \bar{\alpha} \bar{a} \in \bar{P}$.

$\Rightarrow \bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a} \in \bar{P} \Rightarrow \bar{a} - \bar{e} \bar{a} \in \bar{P} \cap M$. It is a contradiction.

Thus $\bar{0} \in M$.

Now $\bar{0} = (\bar{a} - \bar{e}_1 \bar{a})(\bar{a} - \bar{e}_2 \bar{a}) \dots (\bar{a} - \bar{e}_n \bar{a})$
 $= (\bar{1} - \bar{e}_i) \bar{a} \quad \bar{e}_i \in \langle a \rangle$.

Since \bar{a} is not zero divisor, $(\bar{1} - \bar{e}_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{1} = \bar{e}_i$,

$e \in \langle a \rangle$, hence $(1 - e) \in A(a)$

$\Rightarrow (1 - e) a = 0, e \in \langle a \rangle, e^2 = e \Rightarrow a = ea,$

$e \in \langle a \rangle$.

$(a - ae) a = a^2 - a^2 = 0$ and $(a - ae) ae = a^2 e - a^2 e = 0$.

Since $N \in \eta_0$ is reduced, if $ab = 0$ then $ba = 0$.

We have $a(a - ae) = 0$ and $ae(a - ae) = 0$.

Now $(a - ae)^2 = a(a - ae) - ae(a - ae) = 0$

$\Rightarrow a - ae = 0 \Rightarrow a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle$.

Therefore N is r -regular near-ring.

Theorem 3.18 : Homomorphic image of r -regular near-ring is r -regular.

Proof : Let $f : N \rightarrow N^1$ be an epimorphism of the r -regular near-ring N onto the near-ring N^1 .

We now prove that N^1 is r -regular.

Since N is r -regular, $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle a \rangle$.

$f(a) = f(ae) = f(a)f(e)$.

$f(e) = f(ee) = f(e)f(e)$.

$f(e) \in f\langle a \rangle = \langle f\langle a \rangle \rangle$.

Therefore homomorphic image of r -regular near-ring is r -regular.

Theorem 3.19 : If a near-ring N is r -regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then every ideal I of N is the intersection of all maximal ideals containing I .

Proof : Suppose N is r -regular near-ring.

By the theorem 3.7, every ideal I in N is semiprime.

Then I is the intersection of all prime ideals containing I .

By the theorem 3.2, I is the intersection of all maximal ideals containing I .

Theorem 3.20 : If N is a r -regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then N is subdirect product of simple reduced near-rings.

Proof : Since N is r -regular near-ring with 1 and has IFP then N is reduced.

By the theorem 1.64, every near-ring is isomorphic to subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings.

By theorem 3.19, $\{0\}$ is the intersection of all maximal ideals.

Hence, N is isomorphic to subdirect product of simple reduced near-ring.

Theorem 3.21 : If a near-ring N is r -regular near-ring then N is right weakly regular near-ring.

Proof : Suppose N is r -regular near-ring.

Then $a = ae, e \in \langle a \rangle \Rightarrow a \in a \langle a \rangle \subseteq a \langle a \rangle$.

$\Rightarrow N$ is right weakly regular near-ring.

But the converse part need not be true. For example,

Example 3.22 : Consider the zero symmetric near-ring N on $Z_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ with addition and product tables are given below as table 6 and table 7:

Table 6: Addition table

+	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	1	2	3	0
2	2	3	0	1
3	3	0	1	2

table 7 : product table

.	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1
2	0	3	0	3
3	0	2	0	2

N is a simple near-ring with $I = \{ 0, 2 \}$ the only proper left ideal.

$$1 = 1.3 \in 1 < 1 > = 1N.$$

$$2 = 3.1 = 2.3.1 \in 2N = 2 < 2 >.$$

$$3 = 2.3 = 3.3.3 \in 3 < 3 >.$$

Therefore $(N, +, \cdot)$ is right weakly regular but not r -regular.

Since 1 is the only idempotent i.e., there exist no $e^2 = e \in N$ such that $ae = a$ for $a = 2$ or 3 .

IV. CONCLUSIONS

In Mathematics, study on near-rings becomes an object of the exercise for several researchers. In this paper, we made an attempt to study the concepts regularity of near-rings, generalized regular near-rings and their characterizations.

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