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### Abstract

In this article, we study some properties of multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ modules and their prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules. We verify the conditions of ACC and DCC on prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ module.

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## 1 Introduction

The notion of a  $\Gamma$ -ring was first introduced by Nobusawa [17]. Barnes [5] weakened slightly the conditions in the definition of  $\Gamma$ -ring in the sense of Nobusawa. After the  $\Gamma$ -ring was defined by Barnes and Nobusawa, a lot of researchers studied on the  $\Gamma$ -ring. Barnes [5], Kyuno [15] and Luh [16] studied the structure of  $\Gamma$ -rings and obtained various generalizations analogous of corresponding parts in ring theory. Recently, Dumitru, Ersoy, Hoque,  $\ddot{O}zt\ddot{u}$ rk, Paul, Selvaraj, have studied on several aspects in gammarings (see [10, 8, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20]).

McCasland and Smith [14] showed that any Noetherian module M contains only finitely many minimal prime submodules. D. D. Anderson [2] generalized the well-known counterpart of this result for commutative rings, i.e., he abandoned the Noetherianness and showed that if every prime ideal minimal over an ideal I is finitely generated, then R contains only finitely many prime ideals minimal over I. Behboodi and Koohy [7] showed that this

result of Anderson was true for any associative ring (not necessarily commutative) and also, they extended it to multiplication modules, i.e., if M is a multiplication module such that every prime submodule minimal over a submodule K is finitely generated, then M contains only finitely many prime submodules minimal over K.

In this paper, we study some properties of multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -modules and their prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules. This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we review some basic notions and properties of  $\Gamma$ -rings. In Section 3, the concept of a moltiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module is introduced and its basic properties are discussed. Also, we show that If L is a left operator ring of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M and A is a multiplication unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then A is a multiplication left L-module. In Section 4, we proved that in fact this result was true for  $\Gamma$ -rings and  $M_{\Gamma}$ -modules.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section we recall certain definitions needed for our purpose.

Recall that for additive abelian groups M and  $\Gamma$  we say that M is a  $\Gamma$ -ring if there exists a mapping

$$\begin{array}{c} \cdot : M \times \Gamma \times M \longrightarrow M \\ (m, \gamma, m') \longrightarrow m \gamma m' \end{array}$$

such that for every  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , the following hold:

- 1.  $(a+b)\alpha c = a\alpha c + b\alpha c$ ,  $a(\alpha+\beta)c = a\alpha c + a\beta c$  and  $a\alpha(b+c) = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ ;
- 2.  $(a\alpha b)\beta c = a\alpha (b\beta c)$ .

Note that any ring R, can be regarded as an R-ring. A  $\Gamma$ -ring M is called commutative, if for any  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we have  $x\gamma y = y\gamma x$ . M is called a  $\Gamma$ -ring with unit, if there exists elements  $1 \in M$  and  $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$  such that for any  $m \in M$ ,  $1\gamma_0 m = m = m\gamma_0 1$ .

If A and B are subsets of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M and  $\Theta \subseteq \Gamma$ , we denote  $A\Theta B$ , the subset of M consisting of all finite sums of the form  $\sum a_i \gamma_i b_i$ , where  $(a_i, \gamma_i, b_i) \in A \times \Theta \times B$ . For singleton subsets we abbreviate this notation for example,  $\{a\}\Theta B = a\Theta B$ .

A subset I of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M is said to be a right ideal of R if I is an additive subgroup of M and  $I\Gamma M \subseteq I$ . A left ideal of M is defined in a similar way. If I is both a right and left ideal, we say that A is an ideal of M.

For each subset S of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M, the smallest right ideal containing S is called the right ideal generated by S and is denoted by  $|S\rangle$ . Similarly

we define  $\langle S |$  and  $\langle S \rangle$ , the left and two-sided (respectively) ideals generated by S. For each a of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M, the smallest right ideal containing a is called the principal right ideal generated by a and is denoted by  $|a\rangle$ . We similarly define  $\langle a |$  and  $\langle a \rangle$ , the principal left and two-sided (respectively) ideals generated by a. We have  $|a\rangle = Za + a\Gamma M$ ,  $\langle a | = Za + M\Gamma a$ , and  $\langle a \rangle = Za + a\Gamma M + M\Gamma a + M\Gamma a\Gamma M$ , where  $Za = \{na : n \text{ is an integer}\}$ .

Let I be an ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. If for each a + I, b + I in the factor group M/I, and each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we define  $(a + I)\gamma(b + I) = a\gamma b + I$ , then M/I is a  $\Gamma$ -ring which we shall call the difference  $\Gamma$ -ring of M with respect to I.

Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and F the free abelian group generated by  $\Gamma \times M$ . Then  $A = \{\sum_i n_i(\gamma_i, x_i) \in F : a \in M \Rightarrow \sum_l n_i a \gamma_i x_i = 0\}$  is a subgroup of F. Let R = F/A, the factor group, and denote the coset  $(\gamma, x) + A$  by  $[\gamma, x]$ . It can be verified easily that  $[\alpha, x] + [\beta, x] = [\alpha + \beta, x]$  and  $[\alpha, x] + [\alpha, y] = [\alpha, x + y]$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in M$ . We define a multiplication in R by  $\sum_i [\alpha_i, x_i] \sum_J [\beta_j, y_j] = \sum_{i_J} [\alpha_i, x_i \beta_j y_j]$ . Then R forms a ring. If we define a composition on  $M \times R$  into M by  $a \sum_l [\alpha_i, x_i] = \sum_i a \alpha_i x_i$  for  $a \in M$ ,  $\sum_i [\alpha_i, x_i] \in R$ , then M is a right R-module, and we call R the right operator ring of the  $\Gamma$  -ring M. Similarly, we may construct a left operator ring L of M so that M is a left L-module. Clearly I is a right (left) ideal of M if and only if I is a right R-module (left L- module) of M. Also if A is a right (left) ideal of R(L), then MA(AM) is an ideal of M. For subsets  $N \subseteq M$ ,  $\Phi \subseteq \Gamma$ , we denote by  $[\Phi, N]$  the set of all finite sums  $\sum_i [\gamma_i, x_i]$  in R, where  $\gamma_i \in \Phi$ ,  $x_i \in N$ , and we denote by  $[(\Phi, N)]$  the set of all elements  $[\varphi, x]$  in R, where  $\varphi \in \Phi$ ,  $x \in N$ . Thus, in particular,  $R = [\Gamma, M]$ .

An ideal P of M is prime if, for any ideals U and V of M,  $U\Gamma U \subseteq P$ implies  $U \subseteq P$  or  $V \subseteq P$ . A subset S of M is an m-system in M if  $S = \emptyset$ or if  $a, b \in S$  implies  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . The prime radical  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is the set of x in M such that every m-system containing x meets A. The prime radical of the zero ideal in a  $\Gamma$ -ring M is called the prime radical of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M which we denote by  $\mathcal{P}(M)$ .

An ideal Q of M is semi-prime if, for any ideals U of M,  $U\Gamma U \subseteq Q$  implies  $U \subseteq Q$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** [15] If Q is an ideal in a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring with unit M, then P(Q) is the smallest semi-prime ideal in M which contains Q, i.e.

$$\mathcal{P}(Q) = \bigcap P$$

where P runs over all the semi-prime ideals of M such that  $Q \subseteq P$ .

Let P be a proper ideal in a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring with unit M. It is clear that the following conditions are equivalent.

- 1. P is semi-prime.
- 2. For any  $a \in M$ , if  $a\gamma_0 a \in P$ , then  $a \in P$ .
- 3. For any  $a \in M$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $(a\gamma_0)^n a \in P$ , then  $a \in P$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** [13] Let Q be an ideal in a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring with unit M and A be the set of all  $x \in M$  such that  $(x\gamma_0)^n x \in Q$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , where  $(x\gamma_0)^0 x = x$ . Then  $A = \mathcal{P}(Q)$ .

## 3 $M_{\Gamma}$ -module

Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. A left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module is an additive abelian group A together with a mapping  $\cdot : M \times \Gamma \times A \longrightarrow A$  (the image of  $(m, \gamma, a)$  being denoted by  $m\gamma a$ ), such that for all  $a, a_1, a_2 \in A, \gamma, \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ , and  $m, m_1, m_2 \in M$  the following hold:

- 1.  $m\gamma(a_1 + a_2) = m\gamma a_1 + m\gamma a_2;$
- 2.  $(m_1 + m_2)\gamma a = m_1\gamma m + m_2\gamma a;$
- 3.  $m_1\gamma_1(m_2\gamma_2 a) = (m_1\gamma_1m_2)\gamma_2 a.$

A right  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module is defined in analogous manner. If I is a left ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M, then I is a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module with  $r\gamma a$   $(r \in M, \gamma \in \Gamma, a \in I)$  being the ordinary product in M. In particular,  $\{0\}$  and M are  $M_{\Gamma}$ -modules.

Let A be a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and B a nonempty subset of A. B is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ submodule of A, which we denote by  $B \leq A$ , provided that B is an additive subgroup of A and  $m\gamma b \in B$ , for all  $(m, \gamma, b) \in M \times \Gamma \times B$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Let A be a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and X a subset of A. Let  $\{A_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ be the family of all  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A which contain X. Then  $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_{\lambda}$  is called the  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A generated by the set X and denoted  $\langle X \rangle$ .

If  $B \subseteq A$ ,  $N \subseteq M$  and  $\Theta \subseteq \Gamma$ , we denote  $N\Theta B$ , the subset of A consisting of all finite sums of the form  $\sum n_i \gamma_i b_i$  where  $(n_i, \gamma_i, b_i) \in N \times \Theta \times B$ . For singleton subsets we abbreviate this notation for example,  $\{n\}\Theta B = n\Theta B$ .

If  $X = \{a_1, \ldots, a_n\}$ , we write  $\langle a_1, \ldots, a_n |$  in place of  $\langle X |$ . If  $A = \langle a_1, \ldots, a_n |$ ,  $(a_i \in A)$ , A is said to be finitely generated. If  $a \in A$ , the  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule  $\langle a |$  of A is called the cyclic  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule generated by a. We have  $\langle X | = ZX + M\Gamma X$ , where  $ZS = \{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i : n_i \in Z, x_i \in S \text{ and } k \text{ is an integer}\}.$ 

Finally, if  $\{B_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is a family of  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A, then the  $M_{\Gamma}$ submodule generated by  $X = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_{\lambda}$  is called the sum of the  $M_{\Gamma}$ -modules

 $B_{\lambda}$  and usually denoted  $\langle X | = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_{\lambda}$ . If the index set  $\Lambda$  is finite, the sum of  $B_1, \ldots, B_k$  is denoted  $B_1 + B_2 + \ldots + B_k$ . It is clear that if  $\{B_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is a family of  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A, then  $\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_{\lambda}$  consists of all finite sums  $b_{\lambda_1} + \ldots + b_{\lambda_k}$  with  $b_{\lambda_j} \in B_{\lambda_l}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $\{I_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a family of left ideals of M. If A is a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then

$$(\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda}) \Gamma A = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda} \Gamma A).$$

Proof. Let  $x \in (\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda})\Gamma A$ . Then there exists  $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in A$  and  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_k \in \Gamma$  and  $x_1, \ldots, x_k \in \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda}$  such that  $x = \sum_{t=1}^k x_t \gamma_t a_t$ , it follows that for  $1 \leq t \leq k, x_t = \sum_{j=1}^{k_t} i_{\lambda_{jt}}$  with  $i_{\lambda_{jt}} \in I_{\lambda_{jt}}$ . Hence  $x = \sum_{t=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{k_t} i_{\lambda_{jt}} \gamma_t a_t \in \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda} \Gamma A)$ . Therefore  $(\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda})\Gamma A \subseteq \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda} \Gamma A)$ . Also, Since for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $I_{\lambda}\Gamma A \subseteq (\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda})\Gamma A$ , we conclude that  $\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda}\Gamma A) \subseteq (\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda})\Gamma A = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda}\Gamma A)$ .  $\Box$ 

**Definition 3.2.** If A is a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and S is the set of all  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules B of A such that  $B \neq A$ , then S is partially ordered by set-theoretic inclusion. B is a maximal  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule if and only if B is a maximal element in the partially ordered set S.

**Proposition 3.2.** If A is a non-zero finitely generated left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then the following statements are hold.

- 1. If K is a proper  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A, then there exists a maximal  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A such that contain K.
- 2. A has a maximal  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $A = \langle a_1, \ldots, a_n |$  and

 $\mathcal{S} = \{L : K \subseteq L \text{ and } L \text{ is a proper } M_{\Gamma}\text{-submodule of } A\}.$ 

S is partially ordered by inclusion and note that  $S \neq \emptyset$ , since  $K \in S$ . If  $\{L_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is a chain in S, then  $L = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} L_{\lambda}$  is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A. We show that  $L \neq A$ . If L = A, then for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there exists  $\lambda_i \in \Lambda$  such that  $a_i \in L_{\lambda_i}$ . Since  $\{L_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is a chain in S, we conclude that there exists  $1 \leq j \leq n$  such that  $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in L_{\lambda_j}$ . Therefore  $A = L_{\lambda_j} \in S$  which contradicts the fact that  $A \notin S$ . It follows easily that L is an upper bound  $\{L_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  in S. By Zorn's Lemma there exists a proper  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule B of A that is maximal in S. It is a clear that B a maximal  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A such that contain K.

(2) By part (1), it suffices we put  $K = \langle 0 |$ .

**Definition 3.3.** A left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module A is unitary if there exists an element, say 1 in M and an element  $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$ , such that,  $1\gamma_0 a = a$  and  $1\gamma_0 m = m = m\gamma_0 1$  for every  $(a, m) \in A \times M$ .

**Corolary 3.1.** If M is a unitary left (right)  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then M has a left (right) maximal ideal.

*Proof.* It is evident by Proposition 3.2.

Let A be a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. let  $X \subseteq A$  and let  $B \leq A$ . Then the set  $(B:X) := \{m \in M : m\Gamma X \subseteq B\}$  is a left ideal of M. In particular, if  $a \in A$ , then  $(0:a) := ((0) : \{a\})$  is called the left annihilator of a and (0:A) := ((0) : A) is an ideal of M called the annihilating ideal of A. Furthermore A is said to be faithful if and only if (0:A) = (0).

**Definition 3.4.** A left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module A is called a multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module if each  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A is of the form  $I\Gamma A$ , where I is an ideal of M.

**Proposition 3.3.** Let B be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module A. Then  $B = (B : A)\Gamma A$ .

*Proof.* It is a clear that  $(B : A)\Gamma A \subseteq B$ . Since A is a multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that there exists ideal I of  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $B = I\Gamma A$ , it follows that  $B = I\Gamma A \subseteq (B : A)\Gamma A \subseteq B$ . Therefore  $B = (B : A)\Gamma A$ .  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 3.4.** Let A be a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. A is multiplication if and only if for every  $a \in A$ , there exists ideal I in M such that  $\langle a | = I\Gamma A$ .

Proof. In view of Definition 3.4, it is enough to show that if for every  $a \in A$ , there exists ideal I in M such that  $\langle a | = I\Gamma A$ , then A is multiplication. Let B be an  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A. Then for every  $b \in B$ , there exists ideal  $I_b$  in M such that  $\langle b | = I_b\Gamma A$ . By Proposition 3.1,  $(\sum_{b\in B} I_b)\Gamma A = \sum_{b\in B} (I_b\Gamma A) =$  $\sum_{b\in B} \langle b | = B$ , it follows that A is multiplication.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 3.5.** Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring which has a unique maximal ideal Qand A be a unitary multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. If every ideal I in M is contained in Q, then for every  $a \in A \setminus Q\Gamma A$ ,  $\langle a | = A$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $a \in A \setminus Q\Gamma A$ . Since A is multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that there exists ideal I in M such that  $\langle a | = I\Gamma A$ . Clearly  $I \not\subseteq Q$  and hence I = M, which implies  $\langle a | = M\Gamma A = A$ .

**Corolary 3.2.** Let  $\Gamma$ -ring M be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module which has a unique maximal ideal Q and A be a unitary multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. Then for every  $a \in A \setminus Q\Gamma A$ ,  $\langle a | = A$ .

*Proof.* By Propositions 3.2 and 3.5, it is evident.

**Proposition 3.6.** Let L be a left operator ring of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M and let A be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. If we define a composition on  $L \times A$  into A by  $(\sum_{i} [x_{i}, \alpha_{i}])a = \sum_{i} x_{i}\alpha_{i}a$  for  $a \in A$ ,  $\sum_{i} [x_{i}, \alpha_{i}] \in L$ , then A is a left L-module. Also, for every  $B \subseteq A$ , B is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A if and only if B is a L-submodule of A.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $1 \in M$  and  $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$  such that for every  $(a, m) \in A \times M$ ,  $1\gamma_0 a = a$  and  $1\gamma_0 m = m = m\gamma_0 1$ . Let  $\sum_{i=1}^t [x_i, \alpha_i] = \sum_{j=1}^s [y_j, \beta_j] \in L$  and  $a = b \in A$ . By definition of left operator ring of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M, we conclude that  $\sum_{i=1}^t x_i \alpha_i 1 = \sum_{j=1}^s y_j \beta_j 1$ , it follows that

$$(\sum_{i=1}^{t} [x_i, \alpha_i])a = \sum_{i=1}^{t} x_i \alpha_i a$$
  
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{t} (x_i \alpha_i (1\gamma_0 a))$$
  
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{t} (x_i \alpha_i 1) \gamma_0 a$$
  
$$= (\sum_{i=1}^{t} x_i \alpha_i 1) \gamma_0 a$$
  
$$= (\sum_{j=1}^{s} y_j \beta_j 1) \gamma_0 b$$
  
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{s} y_j \beta_j b$$
  
$$= (\sum_{j=1}^{s} [y_j, \beta_j])b$$

Hence composition on  $L \times A$  into A is a well-defined. Let  $r = \sum_{i=1}^{t} [x_i, \alpha_i]$ and  $s = \sum_{j=1}^{s} [y_j, \beta_j]$ . Then for every  $a \in A$ ,

$$(rs)a = (\sum_{i,j} [x_i \alpha_i y_j, \beta_j])a$$
  

$$= \sum_{i,j} (x_i \alpha_i y_j)\beta_j a$$
  

$$= \sum_{i,j} x_i \alpha_i (y_j \beta_j a)$$
  

$$= \sum_{i=1}^t x_i \alpha_i (\sum_{j=1}^s y_j \beta_j a)$$
  

$$= (\sum_{i=1}^t [x_i, \alpha_i]) (\sum_{j=1}^s y_j \beta_j a)$$
  

$$= r((\sum_{j=1}^s [y_j, \beta_j])a)$$
  

$$= r(sa)$$

The remainder of the proof is now easy.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let L be a left operator ring of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M. If A is a multiplication unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then A is a multiplication left L-module.

Proof. Let B be a L-submodule of A. By Proposition 3.6, B is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A and there exists ideal I of  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $B = I\Gamma A$ . It well known that  $[\Gamma, I]$  is an ideal of L. We show that  $B = [I, \Gamma]A$ . Suppose that  $a_1, \ldots, a_t \in A$ , and for every  $1 \leq i \leq t$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^{k_i} [x_{i_j}, \alpha_{i_j}] \in [I, \Gamma]$ . Then we

have  $\sum_{i=1}^{t} (\sum_{j=1}^{k_i} [x_{i_j}, \alpha_{i_j}]) a_i = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \sum_{j=1}^{k_i} x_{i_j} \alpha_{i_j} a_i) \in B$  and it follows that  $[I, \Gamma] A \subseteq B$ . Also, if  $b \in B$ , then there exists  $x_1, \ldots, x_t \in I, \gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_t \in \Gamma$ , and  $a_1, \ldots, a_t \in A$  such that  $b = \sum_{i=1}^{t} x_i \gamma_i a_i = \sum_{i=1}^{t} [x_i, \gamma_i] a_i \in [I, \Gamma] A$  and we conclude that  $B = [I, \Gamma] A$ .

**Proposition 3.8.** Let A be a unitary cyclic left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. If L is a left operator ring of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M and for every  $l, l' \in L$ , there exists  $l'' \in L$  such that ll' = l''l, then A is a multiplication left L-module.

Proof. Let B be a L-submodule of A and  $I = \{l \in L : lA \subseteq B\}$ , then  $IA \subseteq B$ . Since A is a unitary cyclic left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $A = M\Gamma a$ . Let  $b \in B$ . Hence there exists  $m_1, \ldots, m_t \in M$  and  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_t \in \Gamma$  such that  $b = \sum_{i=1}^t m_i \gamma_i a$ . In view of operations of addition and multiplication in left L-module A, we have  $b = \sum_{i=1}^t [m_i, \gamma_i] a = (\sum_{i=1}^t [m_i, \gamma_i]) a$ . We put  $l = \sum_{i=1}^t [m_i, \gamma_i]$  and it follows that b = la. If  $a' \in A$ , then a similar argument shows that there exists  $l' \in L$  such that a' = l'a. By hypothesis, there exists  $l'' \in L$  such that ll' = l''l. Therefore  $la' = ll'a = l''la = l''b \in B$  and it follows that  $l \in I$ , this is  $b = la \in IA$ . Hence B = IA and the proof is now complete.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 3.5.** Let A be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and B be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A and  $P \in Max(M)$ . A is called P-cyclic if there exist  $p \in P$  and  $b \in B$ such that  $(1-p)\gamma_0B \subseteq M\Gamma b$  and also, it is clear that  $(1-p)\gamma_0B = (1-p)\Gamma B$ . Define  $T_PB$  as the set of all  $b \in B$  such that  $(1-p)\gamma_0b = 0$ , for some  $p \in P$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Let A be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and B be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A and  $P \in Max(M)$ . If M is a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring, then  $T_PB$  is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A.

Proof. Suppose  $b_1, b_2 \in T_P B$ . So there exist  $p_1, p_2 \in P$  such that  $b_1 = p_1 \gamma_0 b_1$ and  $b_2 = p_2 \gamma_0 b_2$ . Let  $p_0 = p_1 + p_2 - p_1 \gamma_0 p_2$ . It is clear that  $(1 - p_0) \gamma_0 (b_1 - b_2) = 0$ . Hence  $b_1 - b_2 \in T_P B$ . Let  $x \in M\Gamma(T_P B)$ . So  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \gamma_i b_i$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}, b_i \in T_P B, \gamma_i \in \Gamma$  and  $m_i \in M$   $(1 \le i \le n)$ . Suppose  $i \in \{1, \cdots, n\}$ . Since  $b_i \in T_P N$ , there exists  $p_i \in P$  such that  $(1 - p_i) \gamma_0 m_i \gamma_i b_i = 0$ . Hence  $m_i \gamma_i b_i \in T_P N$ . Thus  $x \in T_P B$ . Hence  $M\Gamma T_P B = T_P B$ .

**Proposition 3.9.** Let M be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring and let A be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. A is multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module if and only if for any ideal  $P \in Max(M)$ , either  $A = T_PA$  or A is P-cyclic.

*Proof.* Let A be a multiplication ideal and  $P \in Max(M)$ . First suppose that  $A = P\Gamma A$ . Since A is multiplication ideal, we conclude that for every  $a \in A$ , there exists an ideal I in M such that  $\langle a \rangle = I\Gamma A$ . Hence  $\langle a \rangle = P\Gamma \langle a \rangle$ 

a >. So there exists  $p \in P$  such that  $(1-p)\gamma_0 a = 0$ , it follows that  $a \in T_P B$  and then  $A = T_P A$ .

Now suppose that  $A \neq P\Gamma A$  and  $x \in A \setminus P\Gamma A$ . Then there exists an ideal I in M such that  $\langle x \rangle = I\Gamma A$  and P + I = M. Obviously, if we assume that  $p \in P$ , then  $(1 - p)\gamma_0 A \subseteq M\Gamma x$ . Therefore A is P-cyclic.

Conversely, suppose that B is a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A. Define I as the set of all  $m \in M$ , where  $m\gamma_0 a \in B$  for any  $a \in A$ . Clearly I is an ideal in M and  $I\Gamma A \subseteq B$ . Let  $b \in B$ . Define K as the set of all  $m \in M$ , where  $m\gamma_0 b \in I\Gamma A$ . We claim K = M. Assume that  $K \subset M$ . Hence by Zorns Lemma there exists  $Q \in Max(M)$  such that  $K \subseteq Q \subset M$ . By hypothesis  $A = T_Q A$  or A is Q-cyclic. If  $A = T_Q A$ , then there exists  $s \in Q$  such that  $(1-s)\gamma_0 b = 0$ . Hence  $(1-s) \in K \subseteq Q$ , it follows that  $1 \in Q$ , a contradiction. If A is Q-cyclic, then there exist  $t \in Q$  and  $c \in A$  such that  $(1-t)\gamma_0 A \subseteq M\Gamma c = \langle c \rangle$ . Define L as the set of all  $m \in M$  such that  $m\gamma_0 c \in (1-t)\gamma_0 B$ . Clearly L is an ideal in Mand  $L\gamma_0 c \subseteq (1-t)\gamma_0 B \subseteq \langle c \rangle$ . Hence  $(1-t)\gamma_0 B \subseteq L\gamma_0 c$ . So  $(1-t)\gamma_0 B =$  $L\gamma_0 c$ , it follows that  $(1-t)\gamma_0 L \subseteq (1-t)\gamma_0 B \subseteq B$  and  $(1-t)\gamma_0 L \subseteq I$ . Therefore  $(1-t)\gamma_0(1-t)\gamma_0 B \subseteq I\Gamma A$ . Hence  $(1-t)\gamma_0(1-t) \in K \subseteq Q$ . Thus  $1-t \in Q$ , it follows that  $1 \in Q$ , a contradiction. Hence K = M and  $b \in I\Gamma A$ . Thus A is a multiplication ideal.

Let A be a left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. A is said to have the intersection property provided that for every non-empty collection of ideals  $\{I_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  of M,

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda} \Gamma A = (\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda}) \Gamma A.$$

If left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module of A has intersection property, then for every non-empty collection of ideals  $\{I_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  of M,

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} I_{\lambda} \Gamma A = (\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (I_{\lambda} + Ann(A))) \Gamma A.$$

**Proposition 3.10.** Let M be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring and let A be a unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module.

- 1. If A has intersection property and for any  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule N in A any ideal I in M which  $N \subset I\Gamma A$ , there exists ideal J in M such that  $J \subset I$  and  $N \subseteq J\Gamma A$ , then A is multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module.
- 2. If A is faithful left multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then A has intersection property and for any  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule N in A any ideal I in M which  $N \subset I\Gamma A$ , there exists ideal J in M such that  $J \subset I$  and  $N \subseteq J\Gamma A$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let N be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A and

 $\mathcal{S} = \{I : I \text{ is an ideal of } M \text{ and } N \subseteq I \Gamma A\}.$ 

Clearly  $M \in S$ . Since A has intersection property, we conclude from Zorns Lemma that S has a minimal member I (say). Since  $N \subseteq I\Gamma A$  and I is minimal element of S, we can conclude that  $N = I\Gamma A$ . It follows that A is a multiplication ideal.

(2) Let  $\{I_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda\in\Lambda}$  be a nonempty collection of ideal in M and  $I = \bigcap_{\lambda\in\Lambda} I_{\lambda}$ . Clearly  $I\Gamma A \subseteq \bigcap_{\lambda\in\Lambda} (I_{\lambda}\Gamma A)$ . Let  $x \in \bigcap_{\lambda\in\Lambda} (I_{\lambda}\Gamma A)$  and we put  $L = \{m \in M : m\gamma_0 x \in I\Gamma A\}$ . We claim L = M. Assume that  $L \subset M$ . By Proposition 3.2, there exists  $P \in Max(M)$  such that  $L \subseteq P$ . It is clear that  $x \notin T_P A$ . Hence  $T_P A \neq A$  and by Proposition 3.9, A is P-cyclic. Hence there exist  $a \in A$  and  $p \in P$  such that  $(1-p)\gamma_0 A \subseteq M\Gamma a = \langle a \rangle$ . Thus  $(1-p)\gamma_0 x \in \bigcap_{\lambda\in\Lambda} (I_{\lambda}\gamma_0 a)$  and so for any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $(1-p)\gamma_0 x \in I_{\lambda}\gamma_0 a$ . It is clear that  $(1-p)\gamma_0(1-p) \in L \subseteq P$ , in view of the fact that A is faithful. Hence  $1 \in P$ , a contradiction. Therefore L = M, it follows that  $x = 1\gamma_0 x \in I\Gamma A$  and A has intersection property. Now suppose N be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule in A and I be an ideal in M which  $N \subset I\Gamma A$ . Since A is multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, there exists an ideal J in M such that  $N = J\Gamma A$ . Let  $K = I \cap J$ . Clearly,  $K \subset I$  and since A has intersection property, we conclude that  $N \subseteq K\Gamma A$ . The proof is now complete.

**Proposition 3.11.** Let A be a faithful multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and I, J be two ideals in M.  $I\Gamma A \subseteq J\Gamma A$  if and only if either  $I \subseteq J$  or  $A = [J : I]\Gamma A$ .

*Proof.* Let  $I \not\subseteq J$ . Note that  $[J : I] = \bigcap_{i \in X} [J : \langle i \rangle]$  where X is the set of all elements  $i \in I$  with  $i \notin J$ . By Proposition 3.10,

$$[J:I]\Gamma A = \bigcap_{i \in X} ([J:\langle i \rangle]\Gamma A)$$

If for every  $i \in X$ ,  $A = [J : \langle i \rangle]\Gamma A$ , then  $A = [J : I]\Gamma A$ , which finishes the proof. Let  $i \in X$  and  $Q = [J : \langle i \rangle]$ . It is clear that  $Q \neq M$ . Let  $\Omega$ denote the collection of all semi-prime ideals P in M containing Q. Suppose that there exists  $P \in \Omega$  such that  $A \neq P\Gamma A$  and  $x \in A \setminus P\Gamma A$ . Since A is a multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that there exists ideal D in M such that  $\langle x \rangle = D\Gamma A$  and  $D \not\subseteq P$ . Thus  $c\Gamma A \subseteq \langle x \rangle$  for some  $c \in D \setminus P$ . Now we have  $c\Gamma a\Gamma A \subseteq J\Gamma \langle x \rangle$ . It is easily to show that for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , there exists  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$  and  $b \in J$  such that  $(c\gamma a - 1\gamma_1 b)\gamma_0 x = 0$ , it follows that  $(c\gamma a - 1\gamma_1 b)\Gamma c\Gamma A = 0$ . Hence  $c\gamma c \in [J : \langle i \rangle] = Q$ . Since P is a semi-prime ideal containing Q, we conclude that  $c \in P$ , a contradiction. Therefore for every  $P \in \Omega$ ,  $A = P\Gamma A$  and by Propositions 2.1 and 3.10,  $A = P(Q)\Gamma A$ . Let  $j \in A$ . It is easily to show that  $\langle j \rangle = P(Q)\Gamma \langle j \rangle$ . Then there exists  $s \in P(Q)$  such that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $j = (s\gamma_0)^n j$ . By Proposition 2.2, there exists  $t \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  such that  $(s\gamma_0)^t s \in Q$ , it follows that  $j = (s\gamma_0)^t s\gamma_0 j \in Q\Gamma A$ , i.e.,  $A \subseteq Q\Gamma A$ . Hence  $Q\Gamma A = A$ . The converse is evident.

## 4 Prime $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule

Through this section M and A will denote a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring with unit and an unitary left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, respectively.

**Definition 4.1.** A prime ideal P in M is called a minimal prime ideal of the ideal I if  $I \subseteq P$  and there is no prime ideal P' such that  $I \subseteq P' \subset P$ . Let Min(I) denote the set of minimal prime ideals of I in  $\Gamma$ -ring M, and every element of Min((0)) is called minimal prime ideal.

**Proposition 4.1.** If an ideal I of  $\Gamma$ -ring M is contained in a prime ideal P of M, then P contains a minimal prime ideal of I.

*Proof.* Let

 $\mathcal{A} = \{ Q : Q \text{ is prime ideal of } M \text{ and } I \subseteq Q \subseteq P \}.$ 

By Zorn's Lemma, there is a prime ideal Q of R which is minimal member with respect to inclusion in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Therefore  $Q \in Min(I)$  and  $I \subseteq Q \subseteq P$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.1.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a finitely generated group. If I and J are finitely generated ideals of M, then  $I\Gamma J$  is finitely generated ideal of M.

*Proof.* Let  $I = \langle a_1, \ldots, a_n \rangle$ ,  $J = \langle b_1, \ldots, b_m \rangle$ , and  $\Gamma = \langle \gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_k \rangle$ . It is clear that  $I\Gamma J = \langle a_i \gamma_t b_j : 1 \le i \le n, 1 \le t \le k, 1 \le j \le m \rangle$ .  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a finitely generated group. If I is a proper ideal of M and each minimal prime ideal of I is finitely generated, then Min(I) is finite set.

*Proof.* Consider the set

$$\mathcal{S} = \{P_1 \Gamma P_2 \dots P_n; n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } P_i \in Min(I), \text{ for each } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

and set

 $\Delta = \{K; K \text{ is an ideal of } M \text{ and } Q \not\subseteq K, \text{ for each } Q \in \mathcal{S}\}$ 

which is the non-empty set, since  $I \in \Delta$ .  $(\Delta, \subseteq)$  is the partial ordered set. Suppose  $\{K_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is the chain of  $\Delta$  in which  $\Lambda \neq \emptyset$  and set  $K = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} K_{\lambda}$ . It is clear that K is an ideal of M. Also, if there exits  $Q \in S$  such that  $Q \subseteq K$ , then by Lemma 4.1,  $Q = P_1 \Gamma P_2 \dots P_n$  is finitely generated ideal of M, i.e.,  $Q = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . But  $Q \subseteq K$  implies that  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in K$ . Thus there exists  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  such that  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in K_{\lambda}$  and so  $Q \subseteq K_{\lambda}$ , contradiction. Hence, for each  $Q \in S$ ,  $Q \not\subseteq K$  and  $K \in \Delta$  is the upper band of this chain.

By Zorhn's lemma  $\Delta$  has maximal element such as Q. Now if  $a \notin Q$  and  $b \notin Q$  for  $a, b \in M$ , then  $Q \subseteq \langle Q \cup \{a\} \rangle$  and  $Q \subseteq \langle Q \cup \{b\} \rangle$ . Maximality of Q implies that  $\langle Q \cup \{a\} \rangle$ ,  $\langle Q \cup \{b\} \rangle \notin \Delta$ . So there exists  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  in S such that  $Q_1 \subseteq \langle Q \cup \{a\} \rangle$  and  $Q_2 \subseteq \langle Q \cup \{b\} \rangle$ . It is clear that  $Q_1 \Gamma Q_2 \subseteq Q$  which is contradiction, since  $Q_1 \Gamma Q_2 \in S$ . Therefore  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle \not\subseteq Q$  and Q is a prime ideal of M contained I. By Proposition 4.1, there exists a minimal prime ideal  $P \subseteq Q$ . But  $P \in S$ , contradictory with  $Q \in \Delta$ . Above contradicts show that there exists  $Q' = P_1 \Gamma P_2 \dots P_m \in S$  such that  $Q' \subseteq I$ .

Now for each  $P \in Min(I)$  we have  $Q' \subseteq I \subseteq P$  and  $P_1 \Gamma P_2 \dots P_m \subseteq P$ . It is clear that  $P_j \subseteq P$  for some  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . Thus  $P_j = P$ , since P is minimal. Hence  $Min(I) = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m\}$  is finite.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 4.3.** For proper  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule B of A, the following statements equivalent:

- 1. For every  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule C of A, if  $B \subset C$ , then (B:A) = (B:C).
- 2. For every  $(m, a) \in M \times A$ , if  $m\Gamma a \subseteq B$ , then  $a \in B$  or  $m \in (B : A)$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $(m, a) \in M \times A$  such that  $m\Gamma a \subseteq B$  and  $a \notin B$ . It is clear that  $B \subset B + M\Gamma a$ . Since  $m\Gamma(B + M\Gamma a) \subseteq m\Gamma B + m\Gamma(M\Gamma a) =$  $m\Gamma B + M\Gamma(m\Gamma a) \subseteq B$ , we conclude from statement (1) that  $m \in (B :$  $B + M\Gamma a) = (B : A)$  and the proof is now complete.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let C be a  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A such that  $B \subset C$ . It is clear that  $(B:A) \subseteq (B:C)$ . Now, suppose that  $m \in (B:C)$ . Since  $B \subset C$ , we infer that there exists  $a \in C \setminus B$  such that  $m\Gamma a \subseteq B$ . By statement (2),  $m \in (B:A)$  and the proof is now complete.

**Definition 4.2.** A proper  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule B of A is said to be prime if  $m\Gamma a \subseteq B$  for  $(m, a) \in M \times A$  implies that either  $a \in B$  or  $m \in (B : A)$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** If B is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A, then (B : A) is a prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M.

Proof. Let  $x, y \in M$  such that  $\langle x \rangle \Gamma \langle y \rangle \subseteq (B : A)$  and  $x \notin (B : A)$ . Then there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $x\gamma a \notin B$ , and also,  $y\Gamma(x\gamma a) = (y\Gamma x)\gamma a = (x\Gamma y)\gamma a \subseteq B$ . Since B is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A and  $x\gamma a \notin B$ , we conclude that  $y\Gamma A \subseteq B$ , i. e.,  $y \in (B : A)$ . The proof is now complete.

**Proposition 4.5.** Let A be a multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, and B,  $B_1, \ldots, B_k$  be  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A. If B is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A, then the following statements are equivalent.

- 1.  $B_j \subseteq B$  for some  $1 \leq j \leq k$ .
- 2.  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{k} B_i \subseteq B$ .

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  It is clear.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) We have  $B_i = I_i \Gamma A$  for some ideals  $I_i$ ,  $(1 \le i \le k)$  of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. Then  $(\bigcap_{i=1}^k I_i)\Gamma A \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^k (I_i\Gamma A) = \bigcap_{i=1}^k B_i \subseteq B$  and so  $\bigcap_{i=1}^k I_i \subseteq (B:A)$ . Since M is a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring, we infer that for every permutations  $\theta$  of  $\{1, 2, \ldots, k\}, I_1\Gamma I_2 \cdots I_k = I_{\theta(1)}\Gamma I_{\theta(2)} \cdots I_{\theta(k)}, \text{ it follows that } I_1\Gamma I_2 \cdots I_k \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^k I_i \subseteq (B:A).$  Since by Proposition 4.4, (B:A) is prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M, we conclude that  $I_j \subseteq (B:A)$  for some  $1 \le j \le k$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.3,  $B_j = I_j\Gamma A \subseteq B$  for some  $1 \le j \le k$ .

**Proposition 4.6.** If A is a multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, then for  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule B of A, the following statements are equivalent.

- 1. B is prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.
- 2. (B:A) is prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M.
- 3. There exists prime ideal P of  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $B = P\Gamma A$  and for every ideal I of M,  $I\Gamma A \subseteq B$  implies that  $I \subseteq P$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By Proposition 4.4, It is evident. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) We put

 $\mathcal{M} = \{ P : B = P \Gamma A \text{ and } P \text{ is an ideal of } \Gamma \text{-ring } M \}$ 

Since A is multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that  $(\mathcal{M}, \subseteq)$  is a nonempty partial order set. Let  $\{P_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$  be a chain. By Proposition 3.10,  $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} P_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{M}$  is an upper bound of  $\{P_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ . By Zorn's Lemma  $\mathcal{M}$  has a maximal element. Thus, we can pick a P to be maximal element of  $\mathcal{M}$ . Let  $x, y \in M$  and  $\langle x \rangle \Gamma \langle y \rangle \subseteq P$ . Hence  $(\langle x \rangle \Gamma \langle y \rangle) \Gamma A \subseteq P \Gamma A = B$  and we infer that  $\langle x \rangle \Gamma \langle y \rangle \subseteq (B : A)$ . Now, by statement (2),  $x \in (B : A)$  or  $y \in (B : A)$ . Since A is multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude from the Proposition

3.3 that  $B = (B : A)\Gamma A$ , it follows that  $(B : A) \in \mathcal{M}$ . On the other hand, clearly  $P \subseteq (B : A)$  and so P = (B : A), i.e.,  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ , Thus P is prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let prime ideal P of  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $B = P\Gamma A$  and for every ideal I of  $\Gamma$ -ring M,  $I\Gamma A \subseteq B$  implies that  $I \subseteq P$ . It is clear that P = (B : A). Let  $m \in M$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $m\Gamma a \subseteq B$ . Since A is a multiplication S-act, we conclude that there exists an ideal I of  $\Gamma$ -ring Msuch that  $\langle a \rangle = I\Gamma A$ , it follows that  $(m\Gamma I)\Gamma A = m\Gamma(I\Gamma A) = m\Gamma(M\Gamma a) =$  $(m\Gamma M)\Gamma a = (M\Gamma m)\Gamma a = M\Gamma(m\Gamma a) \subseteq B$ . Therefore  $m\Gamma I \subseteq (B : A) = P$ and it is easy to see directly that  $\langle m \rangle \Gamma I \subseteq (B : A)$ . Then  $m\Gamma A \subseteq B$  or  $a \in I\Gamma A \subseteq B$  and the proof is now complete.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.2.** Let A be a finitely generated left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. If I is an ideal of M such that  $A = I\Gamma A$ , then there exists  $i \in I$  such that  $(1-i)\gamma_0 A = 0$ .

*Proof.* If  $A = \langle a_1, \ldots, a_n \rangle$ , then for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there exists  $y_{i1}, \ldots, y_{in} \in I$  such that  $a_i = \sum_{j=1}^n y_{ij} \gamma_0 a_j$ , it follows that

$$-y_{i1}\gamma_0a_1-\cdots-y_{i(i-1)}\gamma_0a_{i-1}+(1-y_{ii})\gamma_0a_i-y_{i(i+1)}\gamma_0a_{i+1}-\cdots-y_{in}\gamma_0a_n=0.$$

If

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - y_{11} & -y_{12} & \cdots & -y_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ -y_{n1} & -y_{n2} & \cdots & 1 - y_{nn} \end{bmatrix},$$

then there exists  $y \in I$  such that  $det_{\Gamma}(B) = (1 + y)$ , where

$$det_{\Gamma}(B) = \sum sign(\sigma)b_{1,\sigma(1)}\gamma_0 b_{2,\sigma(2)}\gamma_0 \cdots \gamma_0 b_{n,\sigma(n)}$$

and  $\sigma$  runs over all the permutation on  $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$  (see [13]). Since for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $det_{\Gamma}(B)\gamma_0 a_i = 0$ , we conclude that  $(1 + y)\gamma_0 A = 0$  and by setting i = -y the proof will be completed.

**Proposition 4.7.** Let A be a finitely generated faitfull multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. For proper ideal of P in M, the following statements are equivalent.

- 1. P is a prime ideal of M.
- 2.  $P\Gamma A$  is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let *I* be an ideal of *M* such that  $I\Gamma A \subseteq P\Gamma A$ . Then by Proposition 3.11, either  $I \subseteq P$  or  $A = [P:I]\Gamma A$ . If  $A = [P:I]\Gamma A$ , then by Lemma 4.2, there exists  $i \in [P:I]$  such that  $(1-i)\gamma_0 A = 0$ . Since *A* is a

faitfull  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude that i = 1 and  $I \subseteq P$ . Hence by Proposition 4.6,  $P\Gamma A$  is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Since A is a faitfull  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and  $[P\Gamma A : A]\Gamma A \subseteq P\Gamma A$ , we conclude from the Proposition 3.11 and Lemma 4.2 that  $[P\Gamma A : A] \subseteq P$ . Hence  $[P\Gamma A : A] = P$  and by Proposition 4.6, P is a prime ideal of M.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 4.8.** Let A be a multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. Then

- 1. If M satisfies ACC (DCC) on prime ideals, then A satisfies ACC (DCC) on prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules.
- 2. If A is faitfull  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module and (B:A) is a minimal prime ideal in M, then B is a minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.

Proof. (1) Assume that  $B_1 \subseteq B_2 \subseteq \ldots$  is a chain of prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A. By Proposition 4.4,  $(B_1 : A) \subseteq (B_2 : A) \subseteq \ldots$  is a chain of prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. By hypothesis there exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for every  $i \geq k$ ,  $(B_i : A) = (B_k : A)$ . It follows from Proposition 3.3 that  $B_i = (B_i : A)\Gamma A = (B_k : A)\Gamma A = B_k$ . Thus A satisfies ACC on prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules.

(2) assume that B' is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A such that  $B' \subseteq B$ . By Proposition 4.6,  $(B': A) \subseteq (B: A)$  is a chain of prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. By hypothesis (B': A) = (B: A), it follows from Proposition 3.3 that  $B' = (B': A)\Gamma A = (B: A)\Gamma A = B$ . Thus B is a minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.

**Proposition 4.9.** Let A be a finitely generated faitfull multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module. Then

- 1. If A satisfies ACC (DCC) on prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules, then  $\Gamma$ -ring M satisfies ACC (DCC) on prime ideals.
- 2. If B is a minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A, then (B:A) is a minimal prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M.

Proof. (1) Assume that  $P_1 \subseteq P_2 \subseteq \ldots$  is a chain of prime ideals of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. By Proposition 4.7,  $P_1\Gamma A \subseteq P_2\Gamma A \subseteq \ldots$  is a chain of prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A. By hypothesis there exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for every  $i \geq k$ ,  $P_k\Gamma A = P_i\Gamma A$ . Since A is a finitely generated faitfull multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude from the Proposition 3.11 and Lemma 4.2 that  $P_k = P_i$ .

(2) By Proposition 4.6, (B : A) is a prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. Assume that P is a prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $P \subseteq (B : A)$ . Hence by Proposition 3.3,  $P\Gamma A \subseteq (B : A)\Gamma A = B$ . Since by Proposition 4.7,  $P\Gamma A$  is a prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A, we conclude from our hypothesis that  $P\Gamma A = (B : A)\Gamma A$ .

Since A is a finitely generated faitfull multiplication  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module, we conclude from the Proposition 3.11 and Lemma 4.2 that P = (B : A). The proof is now complete.

**Proposition 4.10.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a finitely generated group. Let A be a finitely generated faitfull multiplication left  $M_{\Gamma}$ -module.

- 1. If every prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M is finitely generated, then A contains only a finitely many minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule.
- 2. If every minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A is finitely generated, then  $\Gamma$ -ring M contains only a finite number of minimal prime ideal.

Proof. (1) Assume that  $\{B_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  is the family of minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A. Set  $I_{\lambda} = (B_{\lambda} : A)$  for  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . By Proposition 4.9, each  $I_{\lambda}$  is a minimal prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. On the other hand, by Proposition 4.2, Mcontains only a finite number of minimal prime ideal as  $\{I_1, I_2, \ldots, I_n\}$ . Now suppose that  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . So  $I_{\lambda} = I_i$ , for some  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and by Proposition  $3.3, B_{\lambda} = I_{\lambda}\Gamma A = I_i\Gamma A$ . Thus  $\{I_1\Gamma A, I_2\Gamma A, \ldots, I_n\Gamma A\}$  is the finite family of minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodule of A.

(2) Suppose that I and J are two distinct minimal prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M. By Proposition 3.11 and Lemma 4.2,  $A \neq I\Gamma A \neq J\Gamma A$  and also, by Proposition 4.7,  $I\Gamma A$  and  $J\Gamma A$  are prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A. Assume that  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are two prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A such that  $B_1 \subseteq I\Gamma A$  and  $B_2 \subseteq J\Gamma A$ . By Proposition 3.3,  $B_1 = (B_1 : A)\Gamma A$  and  $B_2 = (B_2 : A)\Gamma A$ . By Proposition 3.11 and Lemma 4.2,  $(B_1 : A) \subseteq I$  and  $(B_2 : A) \subseteq J$ . Since I and J are two distinct minimal prime ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring M, we conclude from the Proposition 4.4 that  $(B_1 : A) = I$  and  $(B_2 : A) = J$ . This says that  $I\Gamma A$  and  $J\Gamma A$  are two distinct minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules of A. Now if  $\Gamma$ -ring M contains infinite many minimal prime ideals, then A must have infinitely many minimal prime  $M_{\Gamma}$ -submodules which is contradiction.  $\Box$ 

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