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# ON GENERALIZATIONS OF 2-ABSORBING PRIMARY IDEALS IN SEMIGROUPS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\phi:\mathcal{I}(S)\to\mathcal{I}(S)\cup\{\emptyset\}$  be a function where  $\mathcal{I}(S)$  is a set of all ideals of a semigroup. We extend the concept of primary and 2-absorbing ideals in semigroups to the context of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals. We say that a proper ideal A of a semigroup S is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal if  $a,b,c\in S$  with  $abc\in A-\phi(A)$  implies that  $ab\in A$  or  $bc\in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac\in \sqrt{A}$ . The aim of this paper is to investigate the concept of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals in semigroups. Finally, we obtain sufficient conditions of a 2-absorbing primary ideal in order to be rephrased a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal in a semigroup.

#### 1. $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals

In this section, we introduce the concept of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals in semigroups and give its characterizations corresponding to  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals in semigroups.

Let *A* be a subset of a semigroup *S*. Then, the **radical** (see [1]) of *A* is defined as  $\sqrt{A} = \{a \in S : a^n \in A \text{ for some positive integer } n\}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function where  $\mathcal{I}(S)$  be the set of all ideals of S. A proper ideal A of S is called a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal if for each  $a,b,c\in S$  with  $abc\in A-\phi(A)$ , then  $ab\in A$  or  $bc\in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac\in \sqrt{A}$ .

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We now present the following example satisfying above definition.

**Example 1.** Let  $S = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a semigroup with following multiplication given by

It is easy to see that  $\{a, b, d\}$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of a semigroup S.

**Remark 1.1.** It is easy to see that every 2-absorbing primary ideal of a semigroup S is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

The following example shows that the converse of Remark 1.1 is not true.

**Example 2.** Let  $S = \mathbf{Z}^+$ . Consider the proper ideal  $P = 30\mathbf{Z}^+$  of the semigroup S. Define  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  by  $\phi(A) = A$  for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}(S)$ . It is easy to see that P is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S. Notice that  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \in P$ , but  $2 \cdot 3 \notin P, 3 \cdot 5 \notin \sqrt{P}$  and  $2 \cdot 5 \notin \sqrt{P}$ . Therefore P is not a 2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

Let S be a semigroup and let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function. Since  $A - \phi(A) = A - (A \cap \phi(A))$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{I}(S)$ , without loss of generality, we will assume that  $\phi(A) \subseteq A$ . Throughout this paper, as it is noted earlier, if  $\phi$  is a function, then we always assume that  $\phi(A) \subseteq A$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** Let A be a non empty subset of a commutative semigroup S. Then the following properties hold.

- (1) If A is an ideal of S, then  $\sqrt{A}$  is an ideal of S containing A.
- (2)  $\sqrt{A} = \sqrt{\sqrt{A}}$ .
- (3) For each  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal A of S if  $\sqrt{\phi(A)} \subseteq \phi\left(\sqrt{A}\right)$ , then  $\sqrt{A}$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.
- (4) For each element s of  $S-\sqrt{A}$  if A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S such that  $\sqrt{\phi(A)}\subseteq\phi\left(\sqrt{A}\right)$ , then  $(\sqrt{A}:s)$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S with  $\left(\phi(\sqrt{A}):s\right)\subseteq\phi\left(\sqrt{A}:s\right)$ .

Proof.

- 1. Assume that A is an ideal of S. It is easy to see that,  $A \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Let a and s be any elements of S such that  $a \in \sqrt{A}$ . Then we have,  $a^n \in A$  for some positive integer n, which implies that  $(sa)^n = s^n a^n \in s^n A \subseteq A$ . Therefore,  $sa \in \sqrt{A}$  and hence  $\sqrt{A}$  is an ideal of S containing A.
- 2. Assume that A is a subset of S. Obviously,  $\sqrt{A} \subseteq \sqrt{\sqrt{A}}$ . On the other hand, let  $x \in \sqrt{A}$ . Then we have,  $x^n \in \sqrt{A}$  for some positive integer n, which means that  $x^{nm} \in A$  for some positive integer m. Therefore,  $x \in \sqrt{A}$  and hence  $\sqrt{A} = \sqrt{A}$ .
- 3. Assume that A is an ideal of S. Then by part 1,  $\sqrt{A}$  is an ideal of S. Let a,b and c be any elements of S such that  $abc \in \sqrt{A} \phi(\sqrt{A})$ . Thus we have,  $abc \notin \phi(\sqrt{A})$  and  $(abc)^n \in A$  for some positive integer n. Since  $\sqrt{\phi(A)} \subseteq \phi\left(\sqrt{A}\right)$ , we have  $(abc)^n \notin \phi(A)$ , which implies that  $(abc)^n \in A \phi(A)$ . In fact, since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $(ab)^n \in A$  or  $(bc)^n \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $(ac)^n \in \sqrt{A}$ . Therefore  $ab \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{\sqrt{A}}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{\sqrt{A}}$  and hence  $\sqrt{A}$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.
- 4. Let a,b,c and s be any elements of S such that  $abc \in (\sqrt{A}:s) \phi(\sqrt{A}:s)$ . Since  $(\phi(\sqrt{A}):s) \subseteq \phi(\sqrt{A}:s)$ , we have  $ab(cs) \in \sqrt{A} \phi(\sqrt{A})$ . Then by parts 2 and 3,  $ab \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bcs \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $acs \in \sqrt{A}$ , which implies that  $ab \in (\sqrt{A}:s)$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:s)}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:s)}$ . Consequently,  $(\sqrt{A}:s)$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

In the light of the definition of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal in commutative semigroups, we can obtain the following properties.

**Theorem 1.2.** Let S be a commutative semigroup and let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function. If A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S such that  $\sqrt{A}$  is a primary ideal of S, then (A:s) is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S for every  $s \in S - \sqrt{A}$  with  $(\phi(A):s) \subset \phi(A:s)$ .

*Proof.* Let a,b,c and s be any elements of S such that  $abc \in (A:s) - \phi(A:s)$ . Since  $(\phi(A):s) \subseteq \phi(A:s)$ , we have  $a(bc)s \in A - \phi(A)$ . In fact, since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $abc \in A$  or  $bcs \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $as \in \sqrt{A}$ .

If  $bcs \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $as \in \sqrt{A}$ , then  $bc \in \sqrt{(A:s)}$  or  $a \in \sqrt{(A:s)}$ , since  $\sqrt{A}$  is a primary ideal of S and  $s \in S - \sqrt{A}$ . Next, if  $abc \in A$ , then  $abc \in A - \phi(A)$ . Therefore,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ . In any case, we have  $ab \in (A:s)$  or

 $bc \in \sqrt{(A:s)}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{(A:s)}$ . Consequently, (A:s) is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

In the following result, we give an equivalent definition of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals in a commutative semigroup.

**Theorem 1.3.** Let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function. The following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.
- (2) For each elements a and b of S if  $ab \in S-A$ , then  $(A:ab) \subseteq (\phi(A):ab) \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$  for some positive integer n.

*Proof.* First assume that (1) holds. Let a,b and c be any elements of S such that  $c \in (A:ab)$ . Then we have,  $abc \in A$ . If  $abc \not\in \phi(A)$ , then  $abc \in A - \phi(A)$ . Since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ . By assumption,  $c \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)}$  or  $c \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$  for some positive integer n that is,  $c \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)} \subseteq (\phi(A):ab) \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$ . If  $abc \in \phi(A)$ , then  $c \in (\phi(A):ab) \subseteq (\phi(A):ab) \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$ . Consequently,  $(A:ab) \subseteq (\phi(A):ab) \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$ .

Conversely, assume that (2) holds. Let a,b and c be any elements of S such that  $abc \in A - \phi(A)$ . Then we have,  $c \in (A:ab)$  and  $c \notin (\phi(A):ab)$ . If  $ab \in A$ , then there is nothing to prove. If  $ab \notin A$ , then  $(A:ab) \subseteq (\phi(A):ab) \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$  for some positive integer n. Since  $c \in (A:ab)$  and  $c \notin (\phi(A):ab)$ , we have  $c \in \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:a^n)} \cup \sqrt{(\sqrt{A}:b^n)}$ . Therefore,  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$  and hence A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

The next theorem gives the relationships between 2-absorbing primary ideals and  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideals of a semigroup S.

**Theorem 1.4.** Let  $\phi : \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function and let  $\phi(A)$  be a 2-absorbing primary ideal of a semigroup S. Then A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S if and only if A is a 2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

*Proof.* First assume that A is a 2-absorbing primary ideal of S. Obviously, A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

Conversely, assume that A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S. Let a,b and c be any elements of S such that  $abc \in A$ . If  $abc \notin \phi(A)$ , then  $abc \in A - \phi(A)$ . By assumption,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ . Now if  $abc \in \phi(A)$ , then  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ . In any case, we have A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S.

In the following we shall introduce the notion of  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero of a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal A in a semigroup S.

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function and let A be a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of a semigroup S a triple  $(a,b,c),a,b,c \in S$  is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero if

- (1)  $abc \in \phi(A)$
- (2)  $ab \notin A$  and  $bc \notin \sqrt{A}$  and  $ac \notin \sqrt{A}$ .

**Remark 1.2.** Note that a proper ideal A of a semigroup S is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S that is not a 2-absorbing primary ideal of S if and only if A has a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple-zero (a,b,c) for some  $a,b,c \in S$ .

Now we investigate the  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero of a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal A in a semigroup S.

**Theorem 1.5.** Let  $\phi : \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function and let A be a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of a semigroup S. For each elements a, b and c of S if (a, b, c) is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero of A, then the following statements hold:

- (1)  $abA \subseteq \phi(A)$ ;
- (2)  $aAc \subseteq \phi(A)$ ;
- (3)  $Abc \subseteq \phi(A)$ ;
- (4)  $A^2c \subseteq \phi(A)$ ;
- (5)  $aA^2 \subset \phi(A)$ .

## Proof.

1. Suppose that  $abA \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ . Then there exists an element d of A such that  $abd \not\in \phi(A)$ . Thus we have,  $\{abc\} \cup \{abd\} \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ , which implies that  $\{ab\} \ (\{c\} \cup \{d\}) \subseteq A - \phi(A)$ . Since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $ab \in A$  or  $b(\{c\} \cup \{d\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $a(\{c\} \cup \{d\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Therefore,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ , which is a contradiction. Consequently,  $abA \subseteq \phi(A)$ .

- 2. Suppose that  $aAc \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ . Then there exists an element r of A such that  $arc \not\in \phi(A)$ . Since  $r \in A$ , we have  $a(\{b\} \cup \{r\})c \subseteq A$ , which implies that  $a(\{b\} \cup \{r\})c \subseteq A \phi(A)$ . In fact, since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $a(\{b\} \cup \{r\}) \subseteq A$  or  $(\{b\} \cup \{r\})c \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ . Thus,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ , which is a contradiction. Consequently,  $aAc \subseteq \phi(A)$ .
  - 3. The proof is similar to part 2.
- 4. Assume that  $A^2c \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ . Then there exist elements r,s of A such that  $rsc \not\in \phi(A)$ . Then by parts 2 and 3,  $\{abc\} \cup \{rbc\} \cup \{asc\} \cup \{rsc\} \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ , which implies that  $(\{a\} \cup \{r\})(\{b\} \cup \{s\})c \subseteq A \phi(A)$ . In fact, since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $(\{a\} \cup \{r\})(\{b\} \cup \{s\}) \subseteq A$  or  $(\{b\} \cup \{s\})c \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $(\{a\} \cup \{r\})c \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Therefore,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ , which is a contradiction. Consequently,  $A^2c \subseteq \phi(A)$ .
- 5. Suppose that  $aA^2 \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ . Then there exist elements r, s of A such that  $ars \not\in \phi(A)$ . Therefore by parts 1 and 2 we conclude that  $\{abc\} \cup \{abs\} \cup \{arc\} \cup \{ars\} \not\subseteq \phi(A)$ , which implies that  $a(\{b\} \cup \{r\})(\{c\} \cup \{s\}) \subseteq A \phi(A)$ . In fact, since A is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of S, we have  $a(\{b\} \cup \{r\}) \subseteq A$  or  $(\{b\} \cup \{r\})(\{c\} \cup \{s\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $a(\{c\} \cup \{s\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Thus,  $ab \in A$  or  $bc \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ac \in \sqrt{A}$ , which is a contradiction. Consequently,  $aA^2 \subseteq \phi(A)$ .

As a simple consequence of Theorem 1.5, we give the following result.

**Corollary 1.1.** Let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function and let A be a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of a commutative semigroup S. For every  $a,b,c \in S$  if (a,b,c) is a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero of A, then the following statements hold:

- (1)  $abA \subseteq \phi(A)$  and  $acA \subseteq \phi(A)$  and  $bcA \subseteq \phi(A)$ ;
- (2)  $aA^2 \subseteq \phi(A)$  and  $bA^2 \subseteq \phi(A)$  and  $cA^2 \subseteq \phi(A)$ .

Now we arrive at one of our main theorem.

**Theorem 1.6.** Let  $\phi: \mathcal{I}(S) \to \mathcal{I}(S) \cup \{\emptyset\}$  be a function and let A be a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary ideal of a commutative semigroup S. Suppose that B is an ideal of S and  $a,b \in S$  such that  $abB \subseteq A$ . If (a,b,c) is not a  $\phi$ -2-absorbing primary triple zero of A,  $\sqrt{A}$  for every  $c \in B$ , then  $ab \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bB \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $aB \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $ab \notin \sqrt{A}$  and  $bB \nsubseteq \sqrt{A}$  and  $aB \nsubseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Then there are exist elements  $d_1, d_2 \in B$  such that  $bd_1 \notin \sqrt{A}$  and  $ad_2 \notin \sqrt{A}$ . If  $abd_1 \notin \phi(A)$ , then  $abd_1 \in A - \phi(A)$ . By assumption,  $ad_1 \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bd_1 \in \sqrt{A}$ . Next, let

 $abd_1 \in \phi(A)$ . By hypothesis,  $ad_1 \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bd_1 \in \sqrt{A}$ . Now if  $abd_2 \notin \phi(A)$ , then  $abd_2 \in A - \phi(A)$ . By the given hypothesis,  $ad_2 \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bd_2 \in \sqrt{A}$ . So let  $abd_2 \in \phi(A)$ . By given hypothesis,  $ad_2 \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $bd_2 \in \sqrt{A}$ . In any case, we have  $bd_1, bd_2 \in \sqrt{A}$ . Since  $abB \subseteq A$ , we have  $ab(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . If  $ab(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \not\subseteq \phi(\sqrt{A})$ , then  $ab(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A} - \phi(\sqrt{A})$ . Now by our hypothesis,  $a(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $b(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ , which implies that  $bd_1, ad_2 \in \sqrt{A}$ , which is a contradiction. Assume that  $ab(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \phi(\sqrt{A})$ . From our hypothesis,  $a(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $b(\{d_1\} \cup \{d_2\}) \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ . Clearly,  $bd_1 \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ad_2 \in \sqrt{A}$ , which again is a contradiction. Hence  $ab \in \sqrt{A}$  or  $ab \subseteq \sqrt{A}$  or  $ab \subseteq \sqrt{A}$ .

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