



## Some properties of $n$ -hyperideals in commutative hyperrings

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### Abstract

In this paper, we reformulate several results in commutative algebra in terms of commutative hyperrings. We introduce  $n$ -hyperideals in commutative hyperrings and give its some basic properties. Based on new definitions and theorems, we obtain some results in the hyperring theory. Also, the paper is stated a characterization for fundamental  $n$ -hyperideals.

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## 1 Introduction

The theory of hyperstructures was introduced by Marty [10] at the 8<sup>th</sup> congress of Scandinavian Mathematicians in 1934. Some review of the hyperstructure theory can be found in [3, 4, 5, 6, 15]. Mittas [11] introduced the notion of canonical hypergroups. Hyperrings and hyperfields were introduced by Krasner [9] in connection with his work on valued fields. Davvaz and Leoreanu studied hyperrings in more details in [6]. Several kinds of hyperrings are introduced and analyzed. Ameri and Norouzi [1] studied homomorphisms of hyperring and extension (contraction) of hyperideals in commutative hyperrings. In 2015, Jun [8] studied algebraic and geometric aspects of hyperrings. He introduced the notion of an integral hyperring scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  and proved that  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \simeq R$  for any integral affine hyperring scheme  $X = \text{Spec}(R)$ . In [12], some results concerning ordered hyperstructures are proved. Some results on a derivation in hyperrings can be found in [2]. Recently, Tekir et al. [13] introduced the concept of  $n$ -ideals on commutative rings.

Let  $R$  be a commutative Krasner hyperring with nonzero identity. In this paper, we generalize some concepts of the ring theory such as  $n$ -ideals and  $r$ -ideals on hyperrings. Also, we investigate some properties of  $n$ -hyperideals analogous with prime hyperideals in commutative hyperrings.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $H$  be a non-empty set and  $\mathcal{P}^*(H)$  denotes the family of all non-empty subsets of  $H$ . A mapping  $\circ : H \times H \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^*(H)$  is called a *binary hyperoperation* on  $H$ . The couple  $(H, \circ)$  is called a *hypergroupoid*. In the above definition, if  $A$  and  $B$  are two non-empty subsets of  $H$  and  $x \in H$ , then we define:

$$A \circ B = \bigcup_{\substack{a \in A \\ b \in B}} a \circ b, \quad A \circ x = A \circ \{x\} \text{ and } x \circ B = \{x\} \circ B.$$

A hypergroupoid  $(H, \circ)$  is said to be a *semihypergroup* if for all  $x, y, z \in H$ ,  $(x \circ y) \circ z = x \circ (y \circ z)$ , which means that

$$\bigcup_{u \in x \circ y} u \circ z = \bigcup_{v \in y \circ z} x \circ v.$$

A non-empty subset  $K$  of a semihypergroup  $(H, \circ)$  is called a *subsemihypergroup* of  $H$  if  $K \circ K \subseteq K$ . A semihypergroup  $(H, \circ)$  satisfying  $x \circ H = H \circ x = H$  for any  $x \in H$  is called a *hypergroup*. A non-empty subset  $K$  of  $H$  is a *subhypergroup* of  $H$  if  $a \circ K = K \circ a = K$ , for all  $a \in K$ .

Now, we introduce the notions of canonical hypergroups and Krasner hyperrings and we apply them in the next section.

**Definition 2.1.** [11] *A non-empty set  $R$  along with the hyperoperation  $+$  is called a canonical hypergroup if the following axioms hold:*

- (1)  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$ , for any  $x, y, z \in R$ ;
- (2)  $x + y = y + x$ , for any  $x, y \in R$ ;
- (3) there exists  $0 \in R$  such that  $x + 0 = \{x\}$ , for any  $x \in R$ ;
- (4) for any  $x \in R$ , there exists a unique element  $x' \in R$ , such that  $0 \in x + x'$  (we shall write  $-x$  for  $x'$  and we call it the opposite of  $x$ );
- (5)  $z \in x + y$  implies that  $y \in -x + z$  and  $x \in z - y$ , that is  $(R, +)$  is reversible.

**Definition 2.2.** [9] *A Krasner hyperring is an algebraic hypersstructure  $(R, +, \cdot)$  which satisfies the following axioms:*

- (1)  $(R, +)$  is a canonical hypergroup;
- (2)  $(R, \cdot)$  is a semigroup having  $0$  as a bilaterally absorbing element, i.e.,  $x \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot x = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ ;
- (3)  $(y + z) \cdot x = (y \cdot x) + (z \cdot x)$  and  $x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

A Krasner hyperring  $R$  is called with identity if there exists an element, say  $1 \in R$ , such that  $1 \cdot x = x \cdot 1 = x$ . An element  $x$  of a Krasner hyperring  $R$  is called a *unit* if there exists  $y \in R$  such that  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x = 1$ . A Krasner hyperring  $R$  is called *commutative* (with unit element) if  $(R, \cdot)$  is a commutative semigroup (with unit element). A Krasner hyperring  $R$  is called a *Krasner hyperfield*, if  $(R \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$  is a group. A Krasner hyperring  $R$  is called a *hyperdomain*, if  $R$  is a commutative hyperring with unit element and  $a \cdot b = 0$  implies that  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ , for all  $a, b \in R$ . A *subhyperring* of a Krasner hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a non-empty subset  $A$  of  $R$  which

forms a Krasner hyperring containing 0 under the hyperoperation  $+$  and the operation  $\cdot$  on  $R$ , that is,  $A$  is a canonical subhypergroup of  $(R, +)$  and  $A \cdot A \subseteq A$ . Then a non-empty subset  $A$  of  $R$  is a subhyperring of  $(R, +, \cdot)$  if and only if, for all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $x + y \subseteq A$ ,  $-x \in A$  and  $x \cdot y \in A$ . A non-empty subset  $I$  of  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called a *left* (resp. *right*) *hyperideal* of  $(R, +, \cdot)$  if  $(I, +)$  is a canonical subhypergroup of  $(R, +)$  and for any  $a \in I$  and  $r \in R$ ,  $r \cdot a \in I$  (resp.  $a \cdot r \in I$ ). A *hyperideal*  $I$  of  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is one which is a left as well as a right hyperideal of  $R$ , that is,  $x + y \subseteq I$  and  $-x \in I$ , for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $x \cdot y, y \cdot x \in I$ , for all  $x \in I$  and  $y \in R$ . Throughout this paper, unless otherwise stated,  $R$  is always a commutative Krasner hyperring with nonzero identity.

**Lemma 2.3.** [6] *A non-empty subset  $A$  of a Krasner hyperring  $R$  is a left (resp. right) hyperideal if and only if*

$$(1) \ a, b \in A \text{ implies } a - b \subseteq A.$$

$$(2) \ a \in A \text{ and } r \in R \text{ imply } r \cdot a \in A \text{ (resp. } a \cdot r \in A).$$

**Definition 2.4.** *A homomorphism from a Krasner hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  into a Krasner hyperring  $(S, \oplus, \odot)$  is a mapping  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  such that we have:*

$$(1) \ \varphi(a + b) \subseteq \varphi(a) \oplus \varphi(b);$$

$$(2) \ \varphi(a \cdot b) = \varphi(a) \odot \varphi(b).$$

Also,  $\varphi$  is called a *good homomorphism* if in the previous condition (1), the equality is valid.

### 3 $n$ -Hyperideals of commutative hyperrings

Recall that a proper hyperideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of a commutative hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called *prime* if  $a \cdot b \in \mathfrak{p}$  implies that either  $a \in \mathfrak{p}$  or  $b \in \mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $R$  be a commutative hyperring with identity. By  $Spec(R)$  we mean the set of all the prime hyperideals of  $R$ . For hyperideal  $I$  of  $R$  we define  $V(I)$  as follows:

$$V(I) := \{\mathfrak{p} \in Spec(R) \mid I \subseteq \mathfrak{p}\}.$$

For  $a \in R$ , we set  $V(a) := \{\mathfrak{p} \in Spec(R) \mid a \in \mathfrak{p}\}$ . Then,  $V(I) = \bigcap_{a \in I} V(a)$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** [8] *Let  $I$  be a hyperideal of a hyperring  $R$ . Then*

$$\sqrt{I} := \{r \in R \mid \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } r^n \in I\}.$$

*is a hyperideal.*

**Lemma 3.2.** [8] *Let  $I$  be a hyperideal of a hyperring  $R$ . Then*

$$\sqrt{I} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in V(I)} \mathfrak{p}.$$

**Definition 3.3.** *A hyperideal  $I$  of a Krasner hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ , such that  $I \neq R$ , is called an  $n$ -hyperideal if for  $a, b$  of  $R$ ,  $a \cdot b \in I$  and  $a \notin \sqrt{0}$  implies that  $b \in I$ .*

**Example 3.4.** *Let  $R = \{0, a, b\}$  be a set with the hyperaddition  $+$  and the multiplication  $\cdot$  defined as follows:*

|     |     |     |            |
|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| $+$ | 0   | $a$ | $b$        |
| 0   | 0   | $a$ | $b$        |
| $a$ | $a$ | $R$ | $a$        |
| $b$ | $b$ | $a$ | $\{0, b\}$ |

|         |     |     |     |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|
| $\cdot$ | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |
| 0       | 0   | 0   | 0   |
| $a$     | 0   | $a$ | $b$ |
| $b$     | 0   | $b$ | 0   |

*Then,  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a Krasner hyperring. It is easy to see that  $\{0\}$  and  $\{0, b\}$  are  $n$ -hyperideals of  $R$ .*

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a hyperring. Then,*

(1) *If  $\{I_k \mid k \in \Omega\}$  is a family of  $n$ -hyperideals of  $R$  such that  $I_i \subseteq I_j$  or  $I_j \subseteq I_i$  for all  $i, j \in \Omega$ , then  $\bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ .*

(2) *If  $\{I_k \mid k \in \Omega\}$  is a family of  $n$ -hyperideals of  $R$ , then  $\bigcap_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ .*

*Proof.* (1): Since  $0 \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ , it follows that  $\bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ . Then  $x, y \in I_k$  for some  $k \in \Omega$ . Since  $I_k$  is a hyperideal of  $R$ , we obtain  $x - y \subseteq I_k$  for some  $k \in \Omega$ . Thus  $x - y \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ . Also,  $(\bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k) \cdot R = \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k \cdot R \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  and  $R \cdot (\bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k) = \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} R \cdot I_k \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ . So, for each  $x \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  and  $s \in R$ ,  $x \cdot s \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ . Similarly,  $s \cdot x \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ . Now, let  $a \cdot b \in \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  and  $a \notin \sqrt{0}$  for  $a, b \in R$ . Then,  $a \cdot b \in I_i$  for some  $i \in \Omega$ . Since  $I_i$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ , it follows that  $b \in I_i \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$ .

Therefore,  $\bigcup_{k \in \Omega} I_k$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ .

(2): The proof is straightforward.  $\square$

The set  $\text{ann}(x) = \{a \in R \mid a \cdot x = 0\}$  is called the *annihilator of  $x$  in  $R$* . A proper hyperideal  $I$  of a hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is said to be an  *$r$ -hyperideal* of  $R$  if  $x \cdot y \in I$  and  $\text{ann}(x) = 0$  imply that  $y \in I$  for any  $x, y \in R$ . Every  $n$ -hyperideal of a hyperring  $R$  is an  $r$ -hyperideal of  $R$ . The converse is not true, in general, that is, an  $r$ -hyperideal may not be an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ . The following example denotes such a situation.

**Example 3.6.** *Let  $R = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a set with the hyperaddition  $+$  and the multiplication  $\cdot$  defined as follows:*

|     |     |            |            |     |
|-----|-----|------------|------------|-----|
| $+$ | 0   | $a$        | $b$        | $c$ |
| 0   | 0   | $a$        | $b$        | $c$ |
| $a$ | $a$ | $\{0, b\}$ | $\{a, c\}$ | $b$ |
| $b$ | $b$ | $\{a, c\}$ | $\{0, b\}$ | $a$ |
| $c$ | $c$ | $b$        | $a$        | 0   |

|         |   |     |     |     |
|---------|---|-----|-----|-----|
| $\cdot$ | 0 | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |
| 0       | 0 | 0   | 0   | 0   |
| $a$     | 0 | $a$ | $b$ | $c$ |
| $b$     | 0 | $b$ | $b$ | 0   |
| $c$     | 0 | $c$ | 0   | $c$ |

*Then,  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a Krasner hyperring [2]. Clearly,  $\{0\}$ ,  $\{0, b\}$  and  $\{0, c\}$  are proper hyperideals of  $R$ . It is easy to see that  $\{0, b\}$  is an  $r$ -hyperideal of  $R$ , but it is not an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ . Indeed:*

$$b \cdot c = 0 \in \{0, b\} \text{ and } b \notin \sqrt{0_R} \text{ but } c \notin \{0, b\}.$$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime hyperideal of a hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Then  $\mathfrak{p}$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{p} = \sqrt{0}$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.2,  $\sqrt{0} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(R)} \mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{p} \not\subseteq \sqrt{0}$ . Then there exists  $a \in \mathfrak{p}$  such that

$a \notin \sqrt{0}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{p}$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$  and  $a \cdot 1 = a \in \mathfrak{p}$ , we get  $1 \in \mathfrak{p}$ . Thus,  $I = R$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq \sqrt{0}$  which implies that  $\mathfrak{p} = \sqrt{0}$ .

Conversely, let  $a \cdot b \in \mathfrak{p}$  and  $a \notin \sqrt{0} = \mathfrak{p}$  for  $a, b \in R$ . Since  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime hyperideal of  $R$ , we have  $b \in \mathfrak{p}$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime hyperideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Example 3.8.** *In Example 3.6,  $\{0, b\}$  is a prime hyperideal of  $R$ , but it is not an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ .*

For a (multiplicative) submonoid  $S$  of a hyperring  $R$ , let us consider the following relation in  $R \times S$ :

$$(r, s) \sim (r', s') \Leftrightarrow \exists x \in S \text{ s.t. } xrs' = xr's.$$

Clearly,  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $R \times S$ . Let  $[(r, s)]$  be the equivalence relation of  $(r, s) \in R \times S$ .  $S^{-1}R$  is the set  $(R \times S / \sim)$ . Now, we define the following hyperoperation  $\oplus$  and operation  $\odot$  on  $S^{-1}R$ ,

$$[(r, s)] \oplus [(r', s')] = \{[(y, s \cdot s')] \mid y \in r \cdot s' + r' \cdot s\}$$

and

$$[(r, s)] \odot [(r', s')] = \{[(r \cdot r', s \cdot s')]\}.$$

Clearly,  $(S^{-1}R, \oplus, \odot)$  is a commutative hyperring [7]. The mapping  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$  given by  $\varphi(r) = r/1$  is a homomorphism. If  $I$  is a hyperideal of  $R$ , then

$$\varphi(I) = S^{-1}I = \{\lambda \in S^{-1}R \mid \lambda = a/s, \exists a \in I, \exists s \in S\}$$

is a hyperideal of  $S^{-1}R$ .  $S^{-1}I$  is called the extension of  $I$  in  $S^{-1}R$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** *If  $I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of a hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ , then  $S^{-1}I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $S^{-1}R$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $r/s \odot r'/s' \in S^{-1}I$  and  $r/s \notin \sqrt{0_{S^{-1}R}}$  for  $r, r' \in R$  and  $s, s' \in S$ . Then there exists  $u \in S$  such that  $urr' \in I$ . Next, we show that  $r \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . If  $r \in \sqrt{0_R}$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $r^n = 0_R$ . This means that  $(r/1)^n = r^n/1 = 0_R/1 = 0_{S^{-1}R} = 0_R/s$ , and so  $r/1 \in \sqrt{0_{S^{-1}R}}$ . Since  $r/s = 1/s \odot r/1$ , we get  $(r/s)^n = (1/s)^n \odot 0_{S^{-1}R} = 0_{S^{-1}R}$ . Hence,  $r/s \in \sqrt{0_{S^{-1}R}}$ , which is a contradiction. This implies that  $r \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . Now, since  $I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ , we have  $ur' \in I$  and so  $r'/s' = ur'/us' \in S^{-1}I$ . Therefore,  $S^{-1}I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $S^{-1}R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $I$  be an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  a good epimorphism such that  $\text{Ker}\varphi \subseteq I$ . Then  $\varphi(I)$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(S, \oplus, \odot)$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly,  $\varphi(I)$  is a hyperideal of  $S$ . Let  $s_1 \odot s_2 \in \varphi(I)$  and  $s_1 \notin \sqrt{0_S}$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . Then, there exist  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  such that  $s_1 = \varphi(r_1)$  and  $s_2 = \varphi(r_2)$  (since  $\varphi$  is onto) which

$$s_1 \odot s_2 = \varphi(r_1) \odot \varphi(r_2) = \varphi(r_1 \cdot r_2) = \varphi(x) \in \varphi(I)$$

for some  $x \in I$ . So, we have

$$0 \in \varphi(r_1 \cdot r_2) \ominus \varphi(x) = \varphi(r_1 \cdot r_2 - x).$$

Hence, there exists  $t \in r_1 \cdot r_2 - x$  such that  $\varphi(t) = 0$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 \in t + x \subseteq \text{Ker}\varphi + I \subseteq I + I \subseteq I.$$

So,  $r_1 \cdot r_2 \in I$ . Next, we show that  $r_1 \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . If  $r_1 \in \sqrt{0_R}$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $r_1^n = 0_R$ . This means that  $\varphi(r_1^n) = \varphi(0) = 0_S$ , and so  $(\varphi(r_1))^n = 0_S$ . Hence,  $s_1 = \varphi(r_1) \in \sqrt{0_S}$ , which is a contradiction. This implies that  $r_1 \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . Now, since  $I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ , we get  $r_2 \in I$  and so  $s_2 = \varphi(r_2) \in \varphi(I)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Let  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  be a homomorphism of hyperrings and  $I$  a hyperideal of  $R$ . The hyperideal  $\langle \varphi(I) \rangle$  of  $S$  generated by the set  $\varphi(I)$  is called the extension of  $I$ , and is denoted by  $I^e$ . We have

$$\langle \varphi(I) \rangle = \{x \in S \mid x \in \sum_{i=1}^n s_i \cdot \varphi(a_i), s_i \in S, a_i \in I, n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

The mapping  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$  given by  $\varphi(r) = r/1$  is a homomorphism. Consider  $\lambda \in S^{-1}I$ . Then  $\lambda = i/s$ , where  $i \in I$  and  $s \in S$ . Hence,  $i/1 \in \varphi(I)$ . This implies that  $i/1 \in I^e$ . Since  $I^e$  is a hyperideal of  $S^{-1}R$ , we get  $i/s = 1/s \odot i/1 \in I^e$ . So,  $\lambda = i/s \in I^e$ . Thus,  $S^{-1}I \subseteq I^e$ . Now, suppose that  $\lambda \in \varphi(I)$ . Then there exists  $a \in I$  such that  $\lambda = a/1$ . Hence,  $\lambda \in S^{-1}I$  which implies that  $\varphi(I) \subseteq S^{-1}I$ . Thus,  $I^e = \langle \varphi(I) \rangle \subseteq S^{-1}I$ . Hence,  $S^{-1}I = I^e$ .

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $I$  be an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  a good epimorphism such that  $\text{Ker}\varphi \subseteq I$ . Then  $I^e$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(S, \oplus, \odot)$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.10. □

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $J$  be an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(S, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  a good monomorphism. Then  $\varphi^{-1}(J) = \{a \in R \mid \varphi(a) \in J\}$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of the hyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ .  $\varphi^{-1}(J)$  is called the contraction of  $J$ , and is denoted by  $J^c$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $0 \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$ , it follows that  $\varphi^{-1}(J) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in R$ . Since  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism and  $0 \in x - x$ , we have  $0 = \varphi(0) \in \varphi(x - x) \subseteq \varphi(x) \oplus \varphi(-x)$ . So  $0 \in \varphi(x) \oplus \varphi(-x)$ . Thus,  $\varphi(-x)$  is the inverse of  $\varphi(x)$  in the canonical hypergroup  $(S, \oplus)$ . Since  $0 \in \varphi(x) \oplus \varphi(-x)$ , it follows that  $\varphi(-x) = -\varphi(x)$ . Now, let  $a_1, a_2 \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$ . Then  $\varphi(a_1), \varphi(a_2) \in J$ . Since  $J$  is a hyperideal of  $T$ , we have  $\varphi(a_1 - a_2) \subseteq \varphi(a_1) \ominus \varphi(a_2) \subseteq J$ . Hence  $a_1 - a_2 \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(J)$ . Let  $x \in R$  and  $a \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$ . Then  $\varphi(a) \in J$ . Since  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism, it follows that  $\varphi(x \cdot a) = \varphi(x) \odot \varphi(a) \in J$ . Thus  $x \cdot a \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$ . Hence,  $\varphi^{-1}(J)$  is a hyperideal of  $R$ . Now, let  $a \cdot b \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$  and  $a \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . Then  $\varphi(a) \odot \varphi(b) = \varphi(a \cdot b) \in J$ . Next, we show that  $\varphi(a) \notin \sqrt{0_S}$ . If  $\varphi(a) \in \sqrt{0_S}$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(\varphi(a))^n = 0_S$ . This means that  $\varphi(a^n) = 0_S = \varphi(0_R)$ , and so  $a^n = 0_R$ . Hence,  $a \in \sqrt{0_R}$ , which is a contradiction. This leads to  $\varphi(a) \notin \sqrt{0_S}$ . Now, since  $J$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $S$ , we get  $\varphi(b) \in J$  and so  $b \in \varphi^{-1}(J)$ . Therefore,  $\varphi^{-1}(J)$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ . □

A relation  $\sigma^*$  is the *transitive closure* of a binary relation  $\sigma$  if (1)  $\sigma^*$  is transitive; (2)  $\sigma \subseteq \sigma^*$  and (3) for any relation  $\sigma'$ , if  $\sigma \subseteq \sigma'$  and  $\sigma'$  is transitive, then  $\sigma^* \subseteq \sigma'$ , that is,  $\sigma^*$  is the smallest relation that satisfies (1) and (2). Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a hyperring. We define the relation  $\gamma$  as follows:

$$x\gamma y \Leftrightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists k_i \in \mathbb{N}, \exists (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ik_i}) \in R^{k_i}, 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

such that

$$\{x, y\} \subseteq \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \prod_{j=1}^{k_i} x_{ij} \right).$$

**Theorem 3.13.** [14] *Let  $R$  be a hyperring and  $\gamma^*$  be the transitive closure of  $\gamma$ . Then, we have:*

- (1)  $\gamma^*$  is a strongly regular relation both on  $(R, +)$  and  $(R, \cdot)$ .
- (2) The quotient  $R/\gamma^*$  is a ring.
- (3) The relation  $\gamma^*$  is the smallest equivalence relation such that the quotient  $R/\gamma^*$  is a ring.

Clearly,  $\varphi : R \rightarrow R/\gamma^*$  defined by  $\varphi(x) = \gamma^*(x)$  for all  $x \in R$ , is a homomorphism. The kernel of  $\varphi$ ,  $\text{ker}\varphi$ , is defined by  $\text{ker}\varphi = \{x \in R \mid \gamma^*(x) = \gamma^*(0)\}$ . We denote by  $0_{R/\gamma^*}$  the zero element of  $R/\gamma^*$ . If  $R$  is a Krasner hyperring, then  $\gamma^*(0) = 0_{R/\gamma^*}$  and  $\gamma^*(-x) = -\gamma^*(x)$  for all  $x \in R$ .

**Theorem 3.14.** *Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a Krasner hyperring and  $\gamma^*$  a fundamental relation on  $R$ . If  $I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$  such that  $\text{Ker}\varphi \subseteq I$ , then  $\gamma^*(I) = \{\gamma^*(a) \mid a \in I\}$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R/\gamma^*$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly,  $\gamma^*(I)$  is a hyperideal of  $R/\gamma^*$ . Let  $\gamma^*(a) \odot \gamma^*(b) \in \gamma^*(I)$  and  $\gamma^*(a) \notin \sqrt{0_{R/\gamma^*}}$  for  $\gamma^*(a), \gamma^*(b) \in R/\gamma^*$ . Then, there exists  $x \in I$  such that  $\gamma^*(a \cdot b) = \gamma^*(a) \odot \gamma^*(b) = \gamma^*(x)$ . So, we have

$$\gamma^*(0) = \gamma^*(a \cdot b) \ominus \gamma^*(x) = \varphi(a \cdot b) \ominus \varphi(x) = \varphi(a \cdot b - x) = \gamma^*(a \cdot b - x).$$

Hence,  $a \cdot b - x \subseteq \text{Ker}\varphi \subseteq I$ . Since  $(R, +)$  is a canonical hypergroup, we have

$$a \cdot b \in a \cdot b + 0 \subseteq a \cdot b + x - x \subseteq I + x \subseteq I.$$

So,  $a \cdot b \in I$ . Next, we show that  $a \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$\gamma^*(a) \notin \sqrt{0_{R/\gamma^*}} = \sqrt{\gamma^*(0)}.$$

If  $a \in \sqrt{0_R}$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $a^n = 0$ . This means that  $\gamma^*(a^n) = \gamma^*(0)$ , and so  $(\gamma^*(a))^n = 0_{R/\gamma^*}$ . Hence,  $\gamma^*(a) \in \sqrt{0_{R/\gamma^*}}$ , which is a contradiction. This leads to  $a \notin \sqrt{0_R}$ . Now, since  $I$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R$ , we get  $b \in I$  and so  $\gamma^*(b) \in \gamma^*(I)$ . Therefore,  $\gamma^*(I)$  is an  $n$ -hyperideal of  $R/\gamma^*$ .  $\square$

## 4 Conclusions

In this paper, we introduced and studied some properties of  $n$ -hyperideals of commutative hyperrings. Also, we proved that some results on extension (contraction) of  $n$ -hyperideals in commutative hyperrings. Moreover, we described the behavior of  $n$ -hyperideals under fundamental relations. We hope that this paper would offer foundation for further study of the theory on commutative hyperrings.

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