

## On $n$ -absorbing $\delta$ -primary ideals

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**Abstract:** Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with nonzero identity and  $n$  be a positive integer. In this paper, we study the concepts of  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals and weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals, which are the generalizations of  $\delta$ -primary ideals and weakly  $\delta$ -primary ideals, respectively. We introduce the concepts of  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals and weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals. Moreover, we give many properties of these new types of ideals and investigate the relations between these structures.

**Key words:** 2-absorbing ideal,  $\delta$ -primary ideal, weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, we assume that all rings are commutative with nonzero identity. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . An ideal  $I$  is called proper if  $I \neq R$ . Recall that a proper ideal  $I$  is called a 2-absorbing (primary) ideal if  $x_1x_2x_3 \in I$  for some  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in R$ ; then  $x_1x_2 \in I$  or  $x_2x_3 \in I$  or  $x_1x_3 \in I$  ( $x_1x_2 \in I$  or  $x_2x_3 \in \sqrt{I}$  or  $x_1x_3 \in \sqrt{I}$ ). These concepts were introduced by Badawi, Yetkin, and Tekir in [3] and [6]. Later, many authors studied on this issue. (see [11] and [1]). A proper ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is said to be weakly 2-absorbing (primary) ideal if  $0 \neq x_1x_2x_3 \in I$  for some  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in R$ ; then  $x_1x_2 \in I$  or  $x_2x_3 \in I$  or  $x_1x_3 \in I$  ( $x_1x_2 \in I$  or  $x_2x_3 \in \sqrt{I}$  or  $x_1x_3 \in \sqrt{I}$ ). These notions were introduced as generalizations of weakly prime ideals and weakly primary ideals in [4] and [7], respectively. In the same manner, the concepts of  $n$ -absorbing (primary) ideals were introduced as other generalizations of prime (primary) ideals in [2]. Afterwards, Darani et al. studied the concept of weakly  $n$ -absorbing ideals in [10].

Let  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  be the set of all ideals of  $R$  and  $\delta : \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  be a function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . Then  $\delta$  is called an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  if it satisfies the following two conditions: 1.  $I \subseteq \delta(I)$ , 2. If  $I \subseteq J$ , then  $\delta(I) \subseteq \delta(J)$  for any ideals  $I, J$  of  $R$ . In [8], Zhao introduced a new concept called  $\delta$ -primary ideals in commutative rings. This concept is considered to unify prime and primary ideals. Many results of prime and primary ideals are extended to these structures. Recall that a proper ideal  $I$  is called a  $\delta$ -primary ideal if  $xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in R$  implies that  $x \in I$  or  $y \in \delta(I)$ . Then Zhao and Fahid introduced the concept of 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, which is a generalization of  $\delta$ -primary ideal, that is, the concept of  $\delta$ -primary ideal has been extended to 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal [9]. Recall that a proper ideal  $I$  is called a 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal if  $xyz \in I$  for some  $x, y, z \in R$  implies that  $xy \in I$  or  $yz \in \delta(I)$  or  $xz \in \delta(I)$ . Afterwards, Badawi and Fahid

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studied weakly 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals of commutative rings in [5]. Firstly, they introduced the concept of a weakly  $\delta$ -primary ideal and then gave the concept of a weakly 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. Additionally, they investigated many properties of these concepts and studied the relations between a  $\delta$ -primary ideal and a 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. A proper ideal  $I$  is said to be a weakly  $\delta$ -primary ideal if  $0 \neq xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in R$  implies that  $x \in I$  or  $y \in \delta(I)$ . A proper ideal  $I$  is called a weakly 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal if  $0 \neq xyz \in I$  for some  $x, y, z \in R$  implies  $xy \in I$  or  $yz \in \delta(I)$  or  $xz \in \delta(I)$ .

In this paper, our aim is to introduce the concepts of  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals and weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals. These types are two generalizations of the concepts of  $n$ -absorbing (primary) ideals and weakly  $n$ -absorbing (primary) ideals, respectively. We say a proper ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal if whenever  $(0 \neq x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I) \implies x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$  implies  $x_1 \dots x_n \in I$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , where  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  denotes the product of  $x_1 \dots x_{k-1} x_{k+1} \dots x_{n+1}$ .

In this paper, we give many specific examples and results of these concepts. Let  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  be expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . One of the significant results in this paper is that if  $\delta(I) \subseteq \gamma(I)$  and  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal. Then we show that every (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal is an (weakly)  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for positive integers  $m, n$  with  $m > n$ . It is given that if  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal with  $J \subseteq K \subseteq I$  and  $\delta(I) = \delta(J)$  for some ideals  $J, K$  of  $R$ , then  $K$  is (weakly)  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for positive integers  $m > n$ . We also show that if  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  but is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then  $I^{n+1} = (0)$ . Let  $S$  be a multiplicatively closed subset of  $R$  and  $\delta_S$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_S)$  such that  $\delta_S(I_S) = (\delta(I))_S$ , where  $\mathcal{R}_S$  is the quotient ring of  $R$ . Let  $S \cap Z(R) = \emptyset$ , where  $Z(R)$  is the set of all zero divisor elements of  $R$ . It is also given that if  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  with  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ , then  $I_S$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_S$ -primary ideal of  $\mathcal{R}_S$ .

Let  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_n$ , where  $R_i$  is a commutative ring with nonzero identity and  $\delta_i$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_i)$  for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $\delta_\times$  be a function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ , which is defined by  $\delta_\times(I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_n) = \delta_1(I_1) \times \delta_2(I_2) \times \dots \times \delta_n(I_n)$  for each ideal  $I_i$  of  $R_i$ . Then  $\delta_\times$  is an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . Finally, from Theorem 10 to Theorem 13, we characterize all (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideals of direct product of rings.

## 2. $n$ -Absorbing $\delta$ -primary and weakly $n$ -absorbing $\delta$ -primary ideals

Throughout this section,  $R$  denotes a commutative ring with nonzero identity, unless otherwise stated.

**Definition 1** Let  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  be the set of all ideals of  $R$  and  $\delta : \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  be a function of ideals of  $R$ . Recall from [8],  $\delta$  is called an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  if it satisfies the following two conditions: (1)  $I \subseteq \delta(I)$ , (2) If  $I \subseteq J$ , then  $\delta(I) \subseteq \delta(J)$  for any ideals  $I, J$  of  $R$ .

Note that there are explanatory examples of expansion functions included in [8, 1.2 Example] and [5, Example 1].

**Definition 2** A proper ideal  $I$  of a commutative ring  $R$  is called an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal if whenever  $(0 \neq x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I) \implies x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ , then  $x_1 \dots x_n \in I$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , where  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  denotes the product of  $x_1 \dots x_{k-1} x_{k+1} \dots x_{n+1}$ .

It is clear that any  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal is weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary. The following example not only shows that the converse is not true but also gives many illustration of  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals.

**Example 1** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ .

(i) If  $\delta_i(I) = I$ , i.e.  $\delta_i$  is an identity function, then  $n$ -absorbing ideals are equivalent  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_i$ -primary ideals.

(ii) If  $\delta_r(I) = \sqrt{I}$ , then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_r$ -primary ideal iff  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal.

(iii) Every (weakly) 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal.

(iv) Every  $n$ -absorbing ideal is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, but the converse is not necessarily true.

Consider the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  and the expansion function  $\delta_r$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $I = (p_1^2 p_2^2 p_3^3 \dots p_n^n)$ , where  $p_i$ 's are distinct prime numbers. Then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_r$ -primary ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$  but not an  $n$ -absorbing ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

(v) Now consider the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ , where  $m = p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n+1}$  for some distinct prime numbers  $p_1, \dots, p_{n+1}$ . Then  $I = (0)$ , the zero ideal, is clearly a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_r$ -primary ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ . Since  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n+1} \in I$ ,  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n \notin I$  and for each  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , none of the product of  $p_1 \dots \widehat{p}_k \dots p_{n+1}$  is in  $\delta_r(I) = I$ . Thus  $I$  is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_r$ -primary ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ .

An  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal may or may not be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal as in Example 1 (i). Additionally, an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal is not necessarily an  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal. Consider the ring of formal power series  $R = F[[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n+1}]]$ , where  $F$  is a field. Let us define  $\delta : \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  as  $\delta(I) = I + M$  for each ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , where  $M$  is the unique maximal ideal  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n+1})$ . Then  $\delta$  is an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . Take an ideal  $I = (X_1 X_2 \dots X_{n+1})$ . Then  $\sqrt{I} = I$  and  $I$  is not an  $n$ -absorbing ideal and so it is not an  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal. Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n+1} \in R$  such that  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n+1} \in I$ . Assume that for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $p_1 \dots \widehat{p}_k \dots p_{n+1} \notin \delta(I) = M$ . Then  $p_1 \dots \widehat{p}_k \dots p_{n+1}$  is a unit of  $R$ . Since  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n+1} = (p_1 \dots \widehat{p}_k \dots p_{n+1}) p_k \in I$ , we have  $p_k \in I$  and so  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n \in I$ . Thus  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

**Theorem 1** (i) Let  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  be expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  with  $\delta(I) \subseteq \gamma(I)$ . If  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , then  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(ii) Let  $\gamma$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I$  be an  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal of  $R$ . If  $\gamma(I)$  is a radical ideal, i.e.  $\sqrt{\gamma(I)} = \gamma(I)$ , then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

**Proof** (i) It is explicit.

(ii) It can be easily seen that  $\sqrt{I} \subseteq \sqrt{\gamma(I)} = \gamma(I)$ . Then, by (i),  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $R$  if  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing primary ideal of  $R$ . □

**Proposition 1** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . If  $\delta(I)$  is an  $(n - 1)$ -absorbing ideal of  $R$ , then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

**Proof** Let  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I$  and  $x_1 \dots x_n \notin I$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Now we have two cases. In the first case, assume that  $x_1 \dots x_n \notin \delta(I)$ . Since  $\delta(I)$  is an  $(n - 1)$ -absorbing ideal and  $(x_1 x_2) x_3 \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , we get  $(x_1 x_2) \dots \widehat{x}_k \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . In the second case, assume that  $x_1 \dots x_n \in \delta(I)$ . This implies that  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{n-1} \in \delta(I)$  or  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x}_k \dots x_n \in \delta(I)$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n - 1$ . Thus, we have  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x}_k \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$  or  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x}_k \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n - 1$ , which completes the proof. □

**Theorem 2** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . Every (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  is an (weakly)  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  for positive integers  $m, n$  with  $m > n$ .*

**Proof** Let  $I$  be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . We will show that  $I$  is an  $(n+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. Let  $x_1x_2\dots x_{n+2} \in I$  for some  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n+2} \in R$ . Now take  $x_1x_2 = x'$ . Then  $x'\dots x_{n+2} \in I$  implies  $x'\dots x_{n+1} \in I$  or  $x'\dots \widehat{x_k}\dots x_{n+2}$  is in  $\delta(I)$  for  $x_k = x'$  or some  $3 \leq k \leq n+1$ . Hence,  $I$  is an  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  for  $m > n$ . Similarly, it can be verified that a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal is a weakly  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal.  $\square$

**Definition 3** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . It satisfies the finite intersection property if  $\delta(I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_n) = \delta(I_1) \cap \dots \cap \delta(I_n)$  for some ideals  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  of  $R$ .*

Note that the radical operation on ideals of a commutative ring is an example of an expansion function satisfying the finite intersection property.

**Proposition 2** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  satisfying the finite intersection property and  $I_1, \dots, I_m$  be proper ideals of  $R$ . If  $I_j$  is an  $n_j$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal and  $P = \delta(I_j)$  for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , then  $I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_m$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary with  $n_1 + \dots + n_m = n$ .*

**Proof** Assume that  $x_1\dots x_{n+1} \in I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_m$  and  $x_1\dots x_n \notin I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_m$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Then  $x_1\dots x_n \notin I_k$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq m$ . Since  $I_k$  is an  $n_k$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then  $I_k$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal by Theorem 2 and so  $x_1\dots \widehat{x_t}\dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I_k) = P$  for some  $1 \leq t \leq n$ . Also note that  $\delta(I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_m) = \delta(I_1) \cap \dots \cap \delta(I_m) = P$  since  $\delta(I_j) = P$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq m$  and  $\delta$  satisfies the finite intersection property. Thus  $I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_m$  is  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary.  $\square$

**Theorem 3** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I, J$ , and  $K$  be proper ideals of  $R$  with  $J \subseteq K \subseteq I$  and  $\delta(I) = \delta(J)$ . If  $I$  is (weakly) an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then  $K$  is an (weakly)  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for positive integers  $m > n$ .*

**Proof** We will show that if  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ ,  $K$  is an  $(n+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Assume that  $n = 1$ . Let  $x_1x_2x_3 \in K$  and  $x_1x_2 \notin K$ . In the first case, suppose that  $x_1x_2 \in I$ . Then  $x_1 \in I$  or  $x_2 \in \delta(I)$ . Thus  $x_1x_3 \in I$  or  $x_2x_3 \in \delta(K)$  since  $\delta(I) = \delta(J) \subseteq \delta(K)$ . This implies that  $x_1x_3 \in \delta(K)$  or  $x_2x_3 \in \delta(K)$ . In the second case, let  $x_1x_2 \notin I$ . Then  $x_3 \in \delta(I)$  and hence  $x_1x_3 \in \delta(K)$  and  $x_2x_3 \in \delta(K)$ . Consequently,  $K$  is a 2-absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Assume that if  $I$  is a  $k$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal,  $K$  is a  $(k+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for some positive integer  $k$ . Now we show that  $K$  is a  $(k+2)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal when  $I$  is a  $(k+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for some positive integer  $k$ . Let  $I$  be a  $(k+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Let  $x_1\dots x_{k+3} \in K$  and  $x_1\dots x_{k+2} \notin K$ . In the first case, let  $x_1\dots x_{k+2} \in I$ . Then  $x_1\dots x_{k+1} \in I$  or there exists  $1 \leq t \leq k+1$  such that  $x_1\dots \widehat{x_t}\dots x_{k+2}$  is in  $\delta(I)$ . This yields that  $x_1\dots \widehat{x_{k+2}}\dots x_{k+3}$  is in  $\delta(K)$  or  $x_1\dots \widehat{x_t}\dots x_{k+3}$  for some  $1 \leq t \leq k+1$ . In the second case, let  $x_1\dots x_{k+2} \notin I$ . Since  $I$  is a  $(k+1)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, we get  $x_1\dots \widehat{x_t}\dots x_{k+3}$  is in  $\delta(I) = \delta(K)$  for some  $1 \leq t \leq k+2$ . Consequently,  $K$  is a  $(k+2)$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. Similarly, it can be verified for a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal.  $\square$

**Corollary 1** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I, J$  be proper ideals of  $R$  with  $J \subseteq I$  and  $\delta(I) = \delta(J)$ . Then  $J$  is an (weakly)  $m$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal in the case  $I$  is an (weakly)  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal for some positive integers  $m > n$ .

**Definition 4** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ ,  $I$  be a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , and  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . We say that  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$  is a  $\delta$ - $(n + 1)$ -tuple-zero of  $I$  if  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} = 0$ ,  $x_1 \dots x_n \notin I$  and for each  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  is not in  $\delta(I)$ .

Note that if  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  that is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then  $I$  has a  $\delta$ - $(n + 1)$ -tuple-zero  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ .

**Theorem 4** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I$  be a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Assume that  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$  is a  $\delta$ - $(n + 1)$ -tuple-zero of  $I$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Then

$$x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} I^m = (0)$$

for each  $1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_m \leq n + 1$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq n$ .

**Proof** Let  $m = 1$ . Assume that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \dots x_{n+1} I \neq (0)$ . Then  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \dots x_{n+1} y \neq 0$  for some  $y \in I$ . This yields that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \dots x_{n+1} (x_{i_1} + y) \neq 0$ . Since  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$  is a  $\delta$ - $(n + 1)$ -tuple-zero and  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , we conclude that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \dots \widehat{x_j} \dots x_{n+1} (x_{i_1} + y) \in \delta(I)$  for some  $1 \leq j \leq n + 1$  and  $j \neq i_1$ . Thus  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_j} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , yielding a contradiction. Therefore, it must be  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \dots x_{n+1} I = (0)$ .

Assume that the claim holds for all positive integers less than  $m > 1$ . Let  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} I^m \neq (0)$ . Then there are elements  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  of  $I$  such that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} y_1 \dots y_m \neq 0$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} (x_{i_1} + y_1)(x_{i_2} + y_2) \dots (x_{i_m} + y_m) \\ & = x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} y_1 \dots y_m \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} (x_{i_1} + y_1) \dots (x_{i_t} + y_t) \dots (x_{i_m} + y_m) \in \delta(I)$$

for some  $1 \leq t \leq m$ . Since  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  of  $I$ , we get  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_t}} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , which is a contradiction. Consequently, it must be

$$x_1 \dots \widehat{x_{i_1}} \widehat{x_{i_2}} \dots \widehat{x_{i_{m-1}}} \widehat{x_{i_m}} \dots x_{n+1} I^m = (0).$$

□

In the following theorem, Nakayama's lemma is considered for weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideals.

**Theorem 5** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I$  be a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  but it is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. Then  $I^{n+1} = (0)$ .

**Proof** By our assumption,  $I$  has a  $\delta$ - $(n + 1)$ -tuple-zero  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Let  $0 \neq y_1 \dots y_{n+1}$  for some  $y_1, \dots, y_{n+1} \in I$ . By Theorem 4, we have  $(x_1 + y_1) \dots (x_{n+1} + y_{n+1}) = y_1 \dots y_{n+1} \neq 0$  and  $(x_1 + y_1) \dots (x_{n+1} + y_{n+1}) \in I$ . Thus we conclude that  $(x_1 + y_1) \dots (x_n + y_n) \in I$  or  $(x_1 + y_1) \dots (\widehat{x_k + y_k}) \dots (x_{n+1} + y_{n+1}) \in \delta(I)$  for some  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Therefore, we have  $x_1 \dots x_n \in I$  or  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ , a contradiction. Consequently,  $I^{n+1} = (0)$ .  $\square$

We give the next theorem as a result of Theorem 5.

**Theorem 6** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I$  be a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  but it is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. Thus,*

1.  $Rad(I) = Nil(R)$ .
2. If  $M$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module with  $IM = M$ , then  $M = (0)$ .

**Proof** The proof is clear from Theorem 5.  $\square$

In Theorem 5, the condition  $I^{n+1} = (0)$  does not assure that  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal. We give an example for this case:

**Example 2** *Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}_{p^{n+2}}$  for some prime number  $p$  and nonnegative integer  $n$ . Consider the expansion function  $\delta_i$ , which is defined in Example 1. Then  $I = (p^{n+1})$  is a proper ideal of  $R$  and  $I^{n+1} = (0)$ , but  $I$  is not weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary since  $p^{n+1} \in I$  and  $p^n \notin \delta_i(I)$ .*

**Corollary 2** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ .*

(i) *If  $I$  is a proper ideal of  $R$  with  $\delta(\delta(I)) = \delta(I)$ , then  $\delta(I)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $\delta(I)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .*

(ii) *Suppose that  $\delta(0)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  with  $\delta(\delta(0)) = \delta(0)$ . Then  $\delta(0)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing ideal of  $R$ .*

**Proof** (i) The necessary part is clear. For the sufficient part, assume that  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$  and  $x_1 \dots x_n \notin \delta(I)$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Since  $\delta(I)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, then we have  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(\delta(I)) = \delta(I)$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . Hence  $\delta(I)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing ideal.

(ii) Follows similar to (i).  $\square$

**Definition 5** *Let  $f : R \rightarrow S$  be a ring homomorphism and  $\delta, \gamma$  expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{S})$ , respectively. Then  $f$  is called a  $\delta\gamma$ -homomorphism if  $\delta(f^{-1}(J)) = f^{-1}(\gamma(J))$  for all ideals  $J$  of  $S$ .*

If we consider that  $\gamma_r$  is a radical operation on  $S$  and  $\delta_r$  is a radical operation on  $R$ , then any homomorphism from  $R$  to  $S$  is an example of  $\delta_r\gamma_r$ -homomorphism. Also note that if  $f$  is a  $\delta\gamma$ -epimorphism and  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$  containing  $\ker(f)$ , then  $\gamma(f(I)) = f(\delta(I))$ .

**Theorem 7** *Let  $f : R \rightarrow S$  be a  $\delta\gamma$ -homomorphism, where  $\delta$  is an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\gamma$  is an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{S})$ . Then the following are satisfied:*

- (i) *If  $J$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $S$ , then  $f^{-1}(J)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .*

(ii) Suppose that  $f$  is an epimorphism and  $I$  is a proper ideal of  $R$  with  $\ker(f) \subseteq I$ . Then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $f(I)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $S$ .

**Proof** (i) Let  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in f^{-1}(J)$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$ . Then  $f(x_1 \dots x_{n+1}) = f(x_1) \dots f(x_{n+1}) \in J$ . By our assumption, we have  $f(x_1) \dots f(x_n) \in J$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $f(x_1) \dots \widehat{f(x_k)} \dots f(x_{n+1})$  is in  $\gamma(J)$ . Thus  $x_1 \dots x_n \in f^{-1}(J)$  or  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  is in  $f^{-1}(\gamma(J))$ . Since  $\delta(f^{-1}(J)) = f^{-1}(\gamma(J))$ , we get either  $x_1 \dots x_n \in f^{-1}(J)$  or  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  is in  $\delta(f^{-1}(J))$ . Therefore,  $f^{-1}(J)$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(ii) Let  $f(I)$  be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\gamma$ -primary ideal of  $S$ . Since  $I = f^{-1}(f(I))$ , we conclude that  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  by (i). Assume that  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  and  $y_1 y_2 \dots y_{n+1} \in f(I)$  for some  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n+1} \in S$ . Since  $f$  is epimorphism, we have  $f(x_i) = y_i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n + 1$ . This implies that  $f(x_1) f(x_2) \dots f(x_{n+1}) \in f(I)$  and so  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in I$  since  $\ker(f) \subseteq I$ . As  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal, we conclude either  $x_1 \dots x_n \in I$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$ . Then we have  $y_1 \dots y_n \in f(I)$  or  $y_1 \dots \widehat{y_k} \dots y_{n+1} \in \gamma(f(I))$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I$  an ideal of  $R$ . Then the function  $\delta_q : R/I \rightarrow R/I$ , defined by  $\delta_q(J/I) = \delta(J)/I$  for all ideals  $I \subseteq J$ , becomes an expansion function of  $R/I$ .

**Theorem 8** Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $I, J$  be proper ideals of  $R$  with  $I \subseteq J$ . Then the following hold:

(i)  $J$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $J/I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_q$ -primary ideal of  $R/I$ .

(ii) If  $J$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , then  $J/I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_q$ -primary ideal of  $R/I$ .

(iii) Let  $S$  be a multiplicatively closed subset of  $R$  and  $\delta_S$  an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_S)$  such that  $\delta_S(I_S) = (\delta(I))_S$ . If  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$  with  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ , then  $I_S$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_S$ -primary ideal of  $R_S$ . Moreover, if  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , then  $I_S$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_S$ -primary ideal of  $R_S$ .

**Proof** (i) It is a result of Theorem 7.

(ii) Let  $0_{R/I} \neq \overline{x_1 \dots x_{n+1}} \in J/I$  for some  $\overline{x_1}, \dots, \overline{x_{n+1}} \in R/I$ . Then  $x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in R - I$  and also  $0 \neq x_1 \dots x_{n+1} \in J$ . Since  $J$  is weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary, we conclude either  $x_1 \dots x_n \in J$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $x_1 \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}$  is in  $\delta(J)$ . Hence  $\overline{x_1} \dots \overline{x_n} \in J/I$  or  $\overline{x_1} \dots \widehat{\overline{x_k}} \dots \overline{x_n}$  is in  $\delta(J)/I = \delta_q(J/I)$ , that is,  $J/I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_q$ -primary ideal of  $R/I$ .

(iii) Let  $\frac{x_1}{s_1} \dots \frac{x_{n+1}}{s_{n+1}} \in I_S$  and  $\frac{x_1}{s_1} \dots \frac{x_n}{s_n} \notin I_S$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \in R$  and  $s_1, \dots, s_{n+1} \in S$ . Then there exists  $a \in S$  such that  $ax_1 \dots x_{n+1} = (ax_1) \dots x_{n+1} \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary, we obtain either  $(ax_1) \dots x_n \in I$  or  $(ax_1) \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1} \in \delta(I)$  for some  $x_k = ax_1$  or  $2 \leq k \leq n$ . If  $(ax_1) \dots x_n \in I$ , then  $\frac{x_1}{s_1} \dots \frac{x_n}{s_n} = \frac{ax_1 \dots x_n}{as_1 \dots s_n} \in I_S$ . Otherwise, we would have  $\frac{x_1}{s_1} \dots \widehat{\frac{x_k}{s_k}} \dots \frac{x_{n+1}}{s_{n+1}} = \frac{(ax_1) \dots \widehat{x_k} \dots x_{n+1}}{(as_1) \dots \widehat{s_k} \dots s_{n+1}} \in (\delta(I))_S = \delta_S(I_S)$  for some  $k$ . Therefore,  $I_S$  is  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_S$ -primary. In a similar way, it is easily shown that  $I_S$  is weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_S$ -primary.  $\square$

In Theorem 8, the converse of (ii) holds if  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . The following

theorem explains this situation.

**Theorem 9** *Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ , and  $J$  be a proper ideal of  $R$  containing a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Then  $J/I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_q$ -primary ideal of  $R/I$  if and only if  $J$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .*

**Proof**  $\Leftarrow$ : It is clear from Theorem 8 (ii).

$\Rightarrow$ : It can be easily seen since  $I$  is weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary. □

### 3. $n$ -Absorbing $\delta$ -primary and weakly $n$ -absorbing $\delta$ -primary ideals in direct product of rings

**Theorem 10** *Let  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_m$  be a decomposable ring and*

$$I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_m$$

*be a proper ideal of  $R$  for  $1 \leq \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \leq m$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_{\times}$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .*
- (ii)  *$I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_{\times}$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .*
- (iii)  *$I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_m$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_{\times}$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times R_m$ .*

**Proof** (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) : Since  $I^{n+1} \neq (0_R)$ , then  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_{\times}$ -primary of  $R$  by Theorem 5.

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) : Let  $I$  be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_{\times}$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

Let  $(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n+1)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n+1)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_m^{(n+1)}) \in I'$  for every  $x_i^{(j)} \in R_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n+1$ .

Note that

$(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n+1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n+1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_m^{(n+1)}) \in I$ .

Then  $(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(n)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n)}, \dots, x_m^{(n)}) \in I$

or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that

$(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(k)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(k)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, \widehat{x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(k)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(k)}}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(k)}, \dots, x_m^{(k)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n+1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_1}}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n+1)}, 1_{R_{\alpha_k}}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_m^{(n+1)}) \in \delta_{\times}(I)$ .

Thus  $(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(n)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n)}, \dots, x_m^{(n)}) \in I'$

or for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,

$(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(1)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \dots$

$(x_1^{(k)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(k)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(k)}, \dots, \widehat{x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(k)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(k)}}, \dots, x_m^{(k)}) \dots$



$(x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_1-1)}^{(n+1)}, x_{(\alpha_1+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_{(\alpha_k-1)}^{(n+1)}, x_{(\alpha_k+1)}^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_m^{(n+1)})$  is in  $\delta_\times(I')$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : Assume that  $I'$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R'$ . In a similar way, it can be seen that  $I$  is  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary.  $\square$

Let  $\delta$  be an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$ . Then we say that  $\delta$  satisfies (\*) property if  $\delta(I) = R$  implies  $I = R$ , i.e.  $\delta(I) \neq R$  for all proper ideals  $I$  of  $R$ . Note that  $\delta_r$  and  $\delta_i$ , defined in Example 1, are examples of expansion functions satisfying (\*) property. Moreover, if  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_n$  is a decomposable ring and  $\delta_i$ 's are expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_i)$  with (\*) property, then  $\delta_\times$  is an expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R})$  satisfying (\*) property.

**Theorem 11** *Let  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_n$  be a decomposable ring and  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  be an ideal of  $R$  such that  $I_1 \neq 0$  and  $\delta_i(I_i) \neq R_i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ . Suppose that for some  $2 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $I_k$  is a nonzero ideal of  $R_k$  and  $\delta_i$ 's are expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_i)$  satisfying (\*) property for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .
- (ii)  $I_n = R_n$  and  $I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1}$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{n-1}$  or  $I_i$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$  for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .
- (iii)  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

**Proof** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Let  $I_n = R_n$ . Then  $I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1}$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{n-1}$  by Theorem 10. Assume that  $I_i \neq R_i$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . To prove that  $I_i$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$ , take  $a_i b_i \in I_i$  for some  $a_i, b_i \in R_i$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0_R \neq & (a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{i-1}}, a_i, 1_{R_{i+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ & (1_{R_1}, 0, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 0_{R_{i-1}}, 1_{R_i}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_i}, 0_{R_{i+1}}, 1_{R_{i+2}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{i-1}}, b_i, 1_{R_{i+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ & = (a_1, 0_{R_2}, \dots, 0_{R_{i-1}}, a_i b_i, 0_{R_{i+1}}, \dots, 0_{R_n}) \in I. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\delta_i$  satisfies (\*) property,  $\delta_i(I_i) \neq R_i$  for every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and so we conclude either

$$\begin{aligned} & (a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{i-1}}, a_i, 1_{R_{i+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 0, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ & (1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 0_{R_{i-1}}, 1_{R_i}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_i}, 0_{R_{i+1}}, 1_{R_{i+2}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n}) \in I \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} & (a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 0, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ & \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 0_{R_{i-1}}, 1_{R_i}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_i}, 0_{R_{i+1}}, 1_{R_{i+2}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{i-1}}, b_i, 1_{R_{i+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \in \delta(I). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $a_i \in I_i$  or  $b_i \in \delta_i(I_i)$ . Therefore,  $I_i$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$ . Furthermore, it can be similarly shown that  $I_1$  is a  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal since  $I_k \neq 0$  for some  $2 \leq k \leq n$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) : Let  $I_n = R_n$  and  $I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1}$  be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{n-1}$ . Then  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$  by Theorem 10. Assume that  $I_i$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_n^{(1)}) \dots (x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_n^{(n+1)}) \in I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  for every  $x_i^{(j)} \in R_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n + 1$ . At least one of the  $x_i^{(j)}$  is in  $I_i$  or  $\delta_i(I_i)$  for any

$i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n + 1\}$ . Thus we can see that  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : is clear. □

**Theorem 12** *Let  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_n$  be a decomposable ring and  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  be an ideal of  $R$  such that  $I_1 \neq 0$  and  $\delta_i(I_i) \neq R_i$  for each  $2 \leq i \leq n$ . Assume that  $\delta_i$ 's are expansion function of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_i)$  satisfying (\*) property for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

(i)  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$  that is not an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(ii)  $I_1$  is a weakly  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal of  $R_1$  that is not a  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal and  $I_i = (0)$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$  for each  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ .

**Proof** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Suppose that  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$  that is not  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary. Let  $I_i \neq (0)$  for some  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ . Then  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_n$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$  by Theorem 11, yielding a contradiction. It must be  $I_i = (0)$  for every  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ . It is clear that  $I_i = (0)$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal. Now we assume that  $0 \neq xy \in I_1$  for some  $x, y \in R_1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} &0_R \neq (x, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 0_{R_2}, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ &(1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n})(y, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ &= (xy, 0_{R_2}, \dots, 0_{R_n}) \in I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain that  $x \in I_1$  or  $y \in \delta_1(I_1)$  since  $I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Consequently,  $I_1$  is weakly  $\delta_1$ -primary. If  $I_1$  is a  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal of  $R_1$ , then  $I_i$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Hence, it is easily seen that  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ , a contradiction.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : Assume that  $I_1$  is a weakly  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal of  $R_1$  that is not a  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal and  $I_i = (0)$  is a  $\delta_i$ -primary ideal of  $R_i$  for every  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $0_R \neq (x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_n^{(1)}) \dots (x_1^{(n+1)}, \dots, x_n^{(n+1)}) \in I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0$  for every  $x_i^{(j)} \in R_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n + 1$ . Then at least one of the  $x_1^{(j)}$  is in  $I_1$  or in  $\delta_1(I_1)$  and for any  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n + 1\}$ , at least one of the  $x_i^{(j)} = 0$  or is in  $\delta_i(0)$ . Thus we have that  $I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . Since  $I_1$  is not a  $\delta_1$ -primary ideal, there are  $x, y \in R_1$  with  $xy = 0$  but  $x \notin I_1$  and  $y \notin \delta_1(I_1)$ . Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} &(x, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n})(1_{R_1}, 0_{R_2}, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ &(1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n})(y, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \\ &= (0_{R_1}, 0_{R_2}, \dots, 0_{R_n}). \text{ However, products of } n \text{ elements of} \\ &(x, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n}), (1_{R_1}, 0_{R_2}, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n}), (1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_n}), \\ &(1_{R_1}, 1_{R_2}, 0_{R_3}, 1_{R_4}, \dots, 1_{R_n}), \dots, (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{n-1}}, 0_{R_n}), (y, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_n}) \text{ are neither in } I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0 \text{ nor in} \\ &\delta_\times(I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0). \text{ Thus } I_1 \times 0 \times \dots \times 0 \text{ is not an } n\text{-absorbing } \delta_\times\text{-primary ideal of } R. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 13** *Let  $R = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{n+1}$  be a decomposable ring and  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$  be a nonzero proper ideal of  $R$  such that  $\delta_i(I_i) \neq R_i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n + 1$ . Assume that  $\delta_i$ 's are expansion functions of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{R}_i)$  satisfying (\*) property for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n + 1\}$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

(i)  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(ii)  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ .

(iii)  $I_k = R_k$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n+1$  and  $I_j$  is a  $\delta_j$ -primary ideal of  $R_j$  for each  $j \in \{1, \dots, n+1\} - \{k\}$  or  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$ , where  $I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times R_{n+1}$  for some  $1 \leq \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \leq n+1$ .

**Proof** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Take  $(0, \dots, 0) \neq (a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}) \in I$ . Then

$(0, \dots, 0) \neq (a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}) = (a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_n}, a_{n+1}) \in I$ . Since  $I$  is weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta$ -primary, then

$(a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, a_n, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \in I$  or there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that

$(a_1, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, \widehat{a_k}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_n}, a_{n+1})$  is in  $\delta(I)$ . Then  $I_i = R_i$  or  $\delta_j(I_j) = R_j$  for some  $1 \leq i, j \leq n+1$ . Since  $\delta_j$  satisfies (\*) property, we get  $I_i = R_i$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ . Thus  $I^{n+1} \neq 0_R$ . By Theorem 5,  $I$  is  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) : Let  $I$  be an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal. Then  $I_i = R_i$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$  by the previous proof. Assume that  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times R_i \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$  for some  $i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$  and  $I_j$  is a proper ideal of  $R_j$  for every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\} - \{i\}$ . Now we show that  $I_j$  is a  $\delta_j$ -primary ideal of  $R_j$ . Let  $x_j y_j \in I_j$  for  $x_j, y_j \in R_j$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{j-1}}, x_j, 1_{R_{j+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}})(0, 1_{R_2}, \dots, 1_{R_i}, \dots, 1_{R_j}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \\ & (1_{R_1}, 0_{R_2}, 1_{R_3}, \dots, 1_{R_i}, \dots, 1_{R_j}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 0_{R_{j-1}}, 1_{R_j}, 1_{R_{j+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_j}, 0_{R_{j+1}}, 1_{R_{j+2}}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \dots \\ & (1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_n}, 0_{R_{n+1}})(1_{R_1}, \dots, 1_{R_{j-1}}, y_j, 1_{R_{j+1}}, \dots, 1_{R_{n+1}}) \end{aligned}$$

$= (0, \dots, 0, 1_{R_i}, 0, \dots, 0, x_j y_j, 0, \dots, 0) \in I$  for some  $j \neq i$ . Since  $I$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal, we have either  $x_j \in I_j$  or  $y_j \in \delta_j(I_j)$ . Therefore,  $I_j$  is a  $\delta_j$ -primary ideal of  $R_j$ .

Let  $I = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$  for some  $1 \leq \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \leq n+1$ . Then  $I' = I_1 \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_1-1} \times I_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times I_{\alpha_k-1} \times I_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times I_{n+1}$  is an  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R' = R_1 \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_1-1} \times R_{\alpha_1+1} \times \dots \times R_{\alpha_k-1} \times R_{\alpha_k+1} \times \dots \times R_{n+1}$  by Theorem 10.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : It is easily seen that  $I$  is a weakly  $n$ -absorbing  $\delta_\times$ -primary ideal of  $R$ . □

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