# ON GRADED WEAKLY S-PRIME IDEALS

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ABSTRACT. Let R be a commutative graded ring with unity, S be a multiplicative subset of homogeneous elements of R and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . In this article, we introduce several results concerning graded S-prime ideals. Then we introduce the concept of graded weakly S-prime ideals which is a generalization of graded weakly prime ideals. We say that P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ . We show that graded weakly S-prime ideals have many acquaintance properties to these of graded weakly prime ideals.

#### 1. Introduction

Throughout this article, G will be a group with identity e and R be a commutative ring with nonzero unity 1. Then R is called G-graded if  $R = \bigoplus_{g \in G} R_g$  with  $R_g R_h \subseteq R_{gh}$  for all  $g, h \in G$  where  $R_g$  is an additive subgroup of R for all  $g \in G$ . The elements of  $R_g$  are

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called homogeneous of degree g. If  $a \in R$ , then a can be written uniquely as  $\sum a_g$ , where

 $a_g$  is the component of a in  $R_g$ . The component  $R_e$  is a subring of R and  $1 \in R_e$ . The set

of all homogeneous elements of 
$$R$$
 is  $h(R) = \bigcup_{g \in G} R_g$ . Let  $P$  be an ideal of a graded ring  $R$ . Then  $P$  is called a graded ideal if  $P = \bigoplus_{g \in G} (P \cap R_g)$ , i.e., for  $a \in P$ ,  $a = \sum_{g \in G} a_g$  where

 $a_q \in P$  for all  $g \in G$ . It is not necessary that every ideal of a graded ring is a graded ideal. For more details and terminology, see [6, 7].

Let P be a proper graded ideal of R. Then the graded radical of P is denoted by Grad(P) and it is defined as follows:

$$Grad(P) = \left\{ x = \sum_{g \in G} x_g \in R : \text{ for all } g \in G, \text{ there exists } n_g \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } x_g^{n_g} \in P \right\}.$$

Note that Grad(P) is always a graded ideal of R (see [9]).

A proper graded ideal P of R is said to be graded prime if for  $x, y \in h(R), xy \in P$ implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$  [9]. Graded prime ideals play a very important role in the commutative graded rings theory. There are several ways to generalize the concept of a graded prime ideal, for example, Atani in [2] defined the concept of graded weakly prime ideals; a proper graded ideal P of R is said to be a graded weakly prime ideal if whenever  $0 \neq ab \in P$  for some  $a, b \in h(R)$ , then either  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ .

Let  $S \subseteq R$  be a multiplicative set and P be an ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . In [5], P is said to be an S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in R$ , if  $xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ . Then in [1], P is said to be a weakly S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in R$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ .

Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . In this article, in Section Two, motivated by [5, 10], we study the concept of graded S-prime ideals. We say that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ . Clearly, every S-prime ideal is graded S-prime, we prove that the converse is not necessarily true (Example 2.2). Also, it is obvious that every graded prime ideal that is disjoint with S is graded S-prime, we prove that the converse is not necessarily true (Example 2.3). Note that if S consists of units of h(R), then the notions of graded S-prime and graded prime ideal coincide. We show that graded S-prime ideals have many analog properties to these of graded prime ideals. In Section Three, motivated by [1], we introduce the concept of graded weakly S-prime ideals. We say that P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ . Clearly, every weakly S-prime ideal is graded weakly S-prime, we prove that the converse is not necessarily true (Example 3.2). Also, it is obvious that every graded weakly prime ideal that is disjoint with S is graded weakly S-prime, we prove that the converse is not necessarily true (Example 3.4). Note that if S consists of units of h(R), then the notions of graded weakly S-prime and graded weakly prime ideal coincide. Also, it is evident that every graded S-prime ideal is graded weakly S-prime, we prove that the converse is not necessarily true (Example 3.3). We show that graded weakly S-prime ideals have many acquaintance properties to these of graded weakly prime ideals.

# 2. Graded S-Prime Ideals

In this section, motivated by [5,10], we study the concept of graded S-prime ideals. We prove that graded S-prime ideals have many analog properties to these of graded prime ideals.

**Definition 2.1.** ([10]) Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . We say that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ .

Clearly, every S-prime ideal is graded S-prime, but the converse is not necessarily true, see the following example:

**Example 2.2.** Consider  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $G = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Then R is G-graded by  $R_0 = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $R_1 = i\mathbb{Z}$ . Consider the graded ideal I = 5R of R. We show that I is a graded prime ideal of R. Let  $xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ .

Case (1):  $x, y \in R_0$ . In this case,  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that 5 divides xy, and then either 5 divides x or 5 divides y as 5 is a prime, which implies that either  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$ .

Case (2):  $x, y \in R_1$ . In this case, x = ia and y = ib for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that 5 divides xy = -ab, and then 5 divides ab in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and again either 5 divides a or 5 divides b, which implies that either 5 divides x = ia or 5 divides y = ib, and hence either  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$ .

Case (3):  $x \in R_0$  and  $y \in R_1$ . In this case,  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  and y = ib for some  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\overline{5}$  divides xy = ixb in R, that is  $ixb = 5(\alpha + i\beta)$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$ , which gives that  $xb = 5\beta$ , that is 5 divides xb in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and again either 5 divides x or 5 divides b, and then either 5 divides x or 5 divides y = ib in b, and hence either b or b divides b.

So, I is a graded prime ideal of R. Consider the graded ideal P = 10R of R and the multiplicative subset  $S = \{2^n : n \text{ is a non-negative integer}\}\$ of h(R). We show that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Note that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $xy \in P$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then 10 divides xy in R. Then  $xy \in I$ , and then  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$  as I is graded prime, which implies that  $2x \in P$  or  $2y \in P$ . Therefore, P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not an S-prime ideal of R since  $3-i, 3+i \in R$  with  $(3-i)(3+i) \in P$ ,  $s(3-i) \notin P$  and  $s(3+i) \notin P$  for each  $s \in S$ .

It is obvious that every graded prime ideal that is disjoint with S is graded S-prime. However, in Example 2.2, we proved that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not a graded prime ideal of R since  $2, 5 \in h(R)$  with  $2.5 \in P$ ,  $2 \notin P$  and  $5 \notin P$ . Moreover, in the next example, we introduce another example on graded S-prime ideal which is not graded prime. In fact, if S consists of units of h(R), then the notions of graded prime and graded S-prime ideals coincide.

**Example 2.3.** Consider  $R = \mathbb{Z}[X]$  and  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ . Then R is G-graded by  $R_j = \mathbb{Z}X^j$  for  $j \geq 0$  and  $R_j = \{0\}$  otherwise. Consider the graded ideal P = 9XR of R and the multiplicative subset  $S = \{3^n : n \text{ is a non-negative integer}\}$  of h(R). We show that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Note that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $f(X)g(X) \in P$  for some  $f(X), g(X) \in h(R)$ . Then X divides f(X)g(X), and then X divides f(X) or X divides g(X), which implies that  $9f(X) \in P$  or  $9g(X) \in P$ . Therefore, P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not a graded prime ideal of R since  $3, 3X \in h(R)$  with  $3.3X \in P$ ,  $3 \notin P$  and  $3X \notin P$ .

By ([10], Lemma 4.1), if I is a graded ideal of R, then  $(I:a) = \{r \in R : ra \in I\}$  is a graded ideal of R for each  $a \in h(R)$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if (I:s) is a graded prime ideal of R for some  $s \in S$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that I is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that for any  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . We show that (I : s) is a graded prime ideal of R. Let  $xy \in (I : s)$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $sxy = (sx)y \in I$ , and then  $s^2x \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . If  $sy \in I$ , then  $y \in (I : s)$ . Assume that  $s^2x \in I$ . Then  $s^3 \in I$  or

 $sx \in I$ . If  $s^3 \in I$ , then  $s^3 \in I \cap S$ , which is a contradiction. So,  $sx \in I$ , which yields that  $x \in (I:s)$ . Therefore, (I:s) is a graded prime ideal of R. Conversely, let  $xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $sxy \in I$ , and then  $xy \in (I:s)$ , which implies that  $x \in (I:s)$  or  $y \in (I:s)$ , and hence  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Therefore, I is a graded S-prime ideal of R.  $\square$ 

Let R be a G-graded ring. Then T = R[X] is G-graded by  $T_g = R_g[X]$  for all  $g \in G$ . Note that  $f(x) \in T$  is a homogeneous element if all coefficients of f(x) are homogeneous of the same degree in R. Clearly, an ideal I of R is graded if and only if I[X] is a graded ideal of R[X].

**Theorem 2.5.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be an ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if I[X] is a graded S-prime ideal of R[X].

Proof. Suppose that I[X] is a graded S-prime ideal of R[X]. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $f(X), g(X) \in h(R[X])$  with  $f(X)g(X) \in I[X]$ , then  $sf(X) \in I[X]$  or  $sg(X) \in I[X]$ . Let  $a, b \in h(R)$  such that  $ab \in I$ . We have  $I \subseteq I[X]$ , thus  $sa \in I[X]$  or  $sb \in I[X]$ . So  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$ . Conversely, (I:s) is a graded prime ideal of R[X] for some  $s \in S$  by Proposition 2.4, and then (I:s)[X] is a graded prime ideal of R[X]. Let  $f(X), g(X) \in h(R[X])$  such that  $f(X)g(X) \in I[X]$ . We have  $f(X)g(X) \in I[X] \subseteq (I:s)[X]$ . Therefore  $f(X) \in (I:s)[X]$  or  $g(X) \in (I:s)[X]$ . This implies that  $sf(X) \in I[X]$  or  $sg(X) \in I[X]$ .

Let R be a G-graded ring and I be a graded ideal of R. Then R/I is a G-graded ring by  $(R/I)_g = (R_g + I)/I$  for all  $g \in G$ . Moreover, if P is an ideal of R containing I, then P is a graded ideal of R if and only if P/I is a graded ideal of R/I, see ([10], Lemma 3.2).

**Theorem 2.6.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $Z(R/I) \cap \overline{S} = \emptyset$ , where  $\overline{S} = \{s + I : s \in S\}$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if I is a graded prime ideal of R.

Proof. Suppose that I is a graded S-prime ideal of R. We show that I = (I:s) for each  $s \in S$ . Let  $s \in S$ . Clearly,  $I \subseteq (I:s)$ . Let  $x \in (I:s)$ . Then  $x_g \in (I:s)$  for all  $g \in G$  as (I:s) is a graded ideal by ( [10], Lemma 4.1), and then  $sx_g \in I$  for all  $g \in G$ , which implies that  $(s+I)(x_g+I) = sx_g+I = 0+I$  for all  $g \in G$ . Since  $Z(R/I) \cap \overline{S} = \emptyset$  and  $s \notin I$ ,  $x_g \in I$  for all  $g \in G$ , and so  $x \in I$ . Hence, I = (I:s) for each  $s \in S$ , and then I is a graded prime ideal of R by Proposition 2.4. The converse is clear.

Recall that if R is a G-graded ring and  $S \subseteq h(R)$  is a multiplicative set, then  $S^{-1}R$  is a G-graded ring with  $(S^{-1}R)_g = \left\{\frac{a}{s}, a \in R_h, s \in S \cap R_{hg^{-1}}\right\}$  for all  $g \in G$ . Moreover, if I is a graded ideal of R, then  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded ideal of  $S^{-1}R$  [7].

**Theorem 2.7.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $Z(R) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$  and  $S^{-1}I \cap h(R) = (I:_{h(R)} s)$  for some  $s \in S$ .

Proof. Since I is graded S-prime, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $a, b \in h(R)$  with  $ab \in I$ , then  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$ . Let  $\frac{x}{s_1} \frac{y}{s_2} \in S^{-1}I$  for some  $\frac{x}{s_1}, \frac{y}{s_2} \in h(S^{-1}R)$ . Then  $\frac{x}{s_1} \frac{y}{s_2} = \frac{z}{s_3}$  for some  $z \in I$ ,  $s_3 \in S$ , and then  $xys_3 = s_1s_2z \in I$ . So,  $sx \in I$  or  $ss_3y \in I$ , which yields that  $\frac{x}{s_1} = \frac{sx}{ss_1} \in S^{-1}I$  or  $\frac{y}{s_2} = \frac{ss_3y}{ss_3s_2} \in S^{-1}I$ . Hence,  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ . Let  $a \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Then  $a \in h(R)$  with  $sa \in I$ , and then  $a = \frac{sa}{s} \in S^{-1}I$ . So,  $a \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ , and hence  $(I:_{h(R)} s) \subseteq S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ . Let  $b \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ . Then  $b \in h(R)$  and  $b = \frac{w}{t}$  for some  $w \in I$ ,  $t \in S$ , and then  $bt = w \in I$ . So,  $sb \in I$  or  $st \in I$ .

Since  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ ,  $st \notin I$ , and then  $sb \in I$ , which gives that  $b \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Therefore,  $S^{-1}I \cap h(R) = (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Conversely, let  $xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $\frac{x}{1} \frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , and then  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$  or  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ . If  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{z}{t}$  for some  $z \in I$ ,  $t \in S$ , and then  $xt = z \in I$ , which implies that  $x = \frac{xt}{t} \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ . By assumption,  $x \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$  for some  $s \in S$ , which gives that  $sx \in I$ . Similarly, if  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $sy \in I$ . Therefore, I is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

**Example 2.8.** In Example 2.3, we proved that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. So, by Theorem 2.7,  $S^{-1}P$  is a graded prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ , while P is not a graded prime idea of R.

**Proposition 2.9.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Suppose that J is a graded ideal of R such that  $J \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . If I is a graded S-prime ideal of R, then JI is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

Proof. By ([4], Lemma 2.1), JI is a graded ideal of R. Clearly,  $JI \cap S = \emptyset$ . Since  $J \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $t \in J \cap S$ . Since I is a graded S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $x, y \in h(R)$  with  $xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Let  $a, b \in h(R)$  such that  $ab \in JI$ . Then  $ab \in I$ , and then  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$ , which implies that  $ts \in S$  with  $tsa \in JI$  or  $tsb \in JI$ . Hence, tsup JI is a graded tsup S-prime ideal of tsup R. tuning S

**Proposition 2.10.** Let R, T be two G-graded rings with  $R \subseteq T$  and  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set. If I is a graded S-prime ideal of T, then  $I \cap R$  is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

Proof. By ([4], Lemma 2.1),  $I \cap R$  is a graded ideal of R. Clearly,  $(I \cap R) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Since I is a graded S-prime ideal of T, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $x, y \in h(T)$  with  $xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Let  $x, y \in h(R) \subseteq h(T)$  with  $xy \in I \cap R$ . Then  $xy \in I$ , and then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , which implies that  $sx \in I \cap R$  or  $sy \in I \cap R$ . Hence,  $I \cap R$  is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

**Theorem 2.11.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all graded ideals K, J of R, if  $KJ \subseteq I$ , then  $sK \subseteq I$  or  $sJ \subseteq I$ .

Proof. Suppose that I is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $x, y \in h(R)$  with  $xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Let K, J be graded ideals with  $KJ \subseteq I$ . Assume that  $sK \not\subseteq I$ . Then  $sx \not\in I$  for some  $x \in K$ , and then  $sx_g \not\in I$  for some  $g \in G$ . Note that  $x_g \in K$  as K is a graded ideal. Let  $y \in J$ . Then  $y_h \in J$  for all  $h \in G$  as J is a graded ideal. For  $h \in G$ ,  $x_g y_h \in KJ \subseteq I$ , and then  $sy_h \in I$  for all  $h \in G$ , which implies that  $sy \in I$ , and hence  $sJ \subseteq I$ . Conversely, let  $a, b \in h(R)$  such that  $ab \in I$ . Then K = Ra and J = Rb are graded ideals of R with  $KJ \subseteq I$ , and then by assumption,  $sK \subseteq I$  or  $sJ \subseteq I$ , and hence  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$ . Thus, I is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

Using induction, one can deduce the following from Theorem 2.11:

**Corollary 2.12.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all graded ideals  $K_1, K_2, ..., K_n$  of R, if  $K_1.K_2...K_n \subseteq I$ , then  $sK_j \subseteq I$  for some  $1 \le j \le n$ .

Also, using Corollary 2.12, one can prove the following:

**Proposition 2.13.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if

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there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in h(R)$ , if  $x_1.x_2...x_n \in I$ , then  $sx_i \in I$  for some  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Applying Corollary 2.12 with  $S = \{1\}$ , we have the following well-known fact:

**Corollary 2.14.** Let R be a graded ring and I be a proper graded ideal of R. Then I is a graded prime ideal of R if and only if for all graded ideals  $I_1, I_2, ..., I_n$  of R, if  $I_1.I_2...I_n \subseteq I$ , then  $I_j \subseteq I$  for some  $1 \le j \le n$ .

Using Corollary 2.12, we prove the following:

**Proposition 2.15.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Suppose that K is a graded ideal of R with  $K \subseteq I$ . If I is a graded S-prime ideal of R, then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $s.Grad(K) \subseteq I$ .

Proof. Since I is a graded S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all graded ideals  $J_1, J_2, ..., J_n$  of R, if  $J_1.J_2...J_n \subseteq I$ , then  $sJ_j \subseteq I$  for some  $1 \leq j \leq n$  by Corollary 2.12. Let  $a \in Grad(K)$ . Then  $a_g \in Grad(K)$  for all  $g \in G$  as Grad(K) is a graded ideal, which gives that  $a_g^{n_g} \in K$  for some positive integer  $n_g$ , and then for  $g \in G$ ,  $J = Ra_g$  is a graded ideal of R with  $J.J...J \subseteq I$ , which implies that  $sJ \subseteq I$ , and then  $sa_g \in I$  for all  $n_g$ —times

 $g \in G$ . So,  $sa \in I$ , and hence  $s.Grad(K) \subseteq I$ .

**Proposition 2.16.** Let  $K_1, K_2, ..., K_n$  be graded S-prime ideals of R. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $s.Grad(K_1 \cap K_2 \cap ... \cap K_n) \subseteq K_1 \cap K_2 \cap ... \cap K_n$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.15, for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there exists  $s_i \in S$  such that  $s_i.Grad(K_i) \subseteq K_i$ , and then  $s = s_1.s_2...s_n \in S$  with  $s.Grad(K_1 \cap K_2 \cap ... \cap K_n) = s.(Grad(K_1) \cap Grad(K_2) \cap ... \cap Grad(K_n)) \subseteq K_1 \cap K_2 \cap ... \cap K_n$ .

Recall that if R and T are G-graded rings, then a ring homomorphism  $f: R \to T$  is said to be a graded ring homomorphism if  $f(R_q) \subseteq T_q$  for all  $g \in G$  [7].

**Proposition 2.17.** Let  $f: R \to T$  be a graded ring homomorphism and  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set with  $0_T \in f(S)$ . If P is a graded f(S)-prime ideal of T, then  $f^{-1}(P)$  is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

Proof. By ([8], Lemma 3.11 (1)),  $f^{-1}(P)$  is a graded ideal of R. Since P is a graded f(S)-prime ideal of T, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $a, b \in h(T)$  with  $ab \in P$ , then  $f(s)a \in P$  or  $f(s)b \in P$ . Clearly,  $f^{-1}(P) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in h(R)$  such that  $xy \in f^{-1}(P)$ . Then  $f(x), f(y) \in h(T)$  with  $f(x)f(y) = f(xy) \in P$ , and then  $f(s)f(x) = f(sx) \in P$  or  $f(s)f(y) = f(sy) \in P$ , which yields that  $sx \in f^{-1}(P)$  or  $sy \in f^{-1}(P)$ . Hence,  $f^{-1}(P)$  is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

**Proposition 2.18.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and K be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Let I be a proper ideal of R containing K such that  $(I/K) \cap \overline{S} = \emptyset$ , where  $\overline{S} = \{s + K : s \in S\}$ . Then I is a graded S-prime ideal of R if and only if I/K is a graded  $\overline{S}$ -prime ideal of R/K.

Proof. Suppose that I is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $x,y \in h(R)$  with  $xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . By ( [10], Lemma 3.2), I/K is a graded ideal of R/K. Let  $x+K,y+K \in h(R/K)$  such that  $(x+K)(y+K) = xy+K \in I/K$ . Then  $x,y \in h(R)$  such that  $xy \in I$ , and then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , which gives that  $s+K \in \overline{S}$  with  $(s+K)(x+K) = sx+K \in I/K$  or  $(s+K)(y+K) = sy+K \in I/K$ . Therefore, I/K is a graded  $\overline{S}$ -prime ideal of R/K. Conversely, there exists  $s+K \in \overline{S}$  such that whenever  $x+K,y+K \in h(R/K)$  with  $(x+K)(y+K) \in I/K$ , then  $(s+K)(x+K) \in I/K$  or  $(s+K)(y+K) \in I/K$ . By ( [10], Lemma 3.2), I is a graded ideal of R. Clearly,

 $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in h(R)$  such that  $xy \in I$ . Then  $x + K, y + K \in h(R/K)$  with  $(x + K)(y + K) = xy + K \in I/K$ , and then  $(s + K)(x + K) = sx + K \in I/K$  or  $(s + K)(y + K) = sy + K \in I/K$ , which yields that  $s \in S$  with  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Thus, I is a graded S-prime ideal of R.

**Theorem 2.19.** Let R be a graded ring and  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set. Suppose that I is a graded ideal of R and  $I_1, I_2, ..., I_n$  are graded S-prime ideals of R. If  $I \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n I_k$ , then there exists  $s \in S$  and such that  $sI \subseteq I_k$  for some  $1 \le k \le n$ .

Proof. By Proposition 2.4, for all  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there exists  $s_k \in S$  such that  $(I_k : s_k)$  is a graded prime ideal of R. We have  $I \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n I_k \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n (I_k : s_k)$ . By the graded prime avoidance theorem ([3], Theorem 2.7), there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that  $I \subseteq (I_k : s_k)$ , this implies that  $s_k I \subseteq I_k$ .

## 3. Graded Weakly S-Prime Ideals

In this section, motivated by [1], we introduce the concept of graded weakly S-prime ideals. We show that graded weakly S-prime ideals have many acquaintance properties to these of graded weakly prime ideals.

**Definition 3.1.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . We say that P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ .

It is evident that every weakly S-prime ideal is graded weakly S-prime, but the converse is not necessarily true, see the following example:

**Example 3.2.** In Example 2.2, we proved that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R, so P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not a weakly S-prime ideal of R since  $3-i, 3+i \in R$  with  $0 \neq (3-i)(3+i) \in P$ ,  $s(3-i) \notin P$  and  $s(3+i) \notin P$  for each  $s \in S$ .

Clearly, every graded S-prime ideal is graded weakly S-prime, but the converse is not necessarily true, see the following example:

**Example 3.3.** Consider  $R = \mathbb{Z}_{12}[i]$  and  $G = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Then R is G-graded by  $R_0 = \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  and  $R_1 = i\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ . Consider the graded ideal  $P = \{0\}$  of R and the multiplicative subset  $S = \{1, 3, 9\}$  of h(R). Note that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . Clearly, P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not a graded S-prime ideal of R since  $2, 6 \in h(R)$  with  $2.6 \in P$ ,  $2s \notin P$  and  $6s \notin P$  for each  $s \in S$ .

Also, it is obvious that every graded weakly prime ideal that is disjoint with S is graded weakly S-prime, but the converse is not necessarily true, see the following example. In fact, if S consists of units of h(R), then the notions of graded weakly prime and graded weakly S-prime ideals coincide.

**Example 3.4.** In Example 2.3, we proved that P is a graded S-prime ideal of R, so P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. On the other hand, P is not a graded weakly prime ideal of R since  $9, X \in h(R)$  with  $0 \neq 9X \in P$ ,  $9 \notin P$  and  $X \notin P$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** Let R be a graded ring and S be a multiplicative subset of h(R). If I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, then  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ .

Proof. Since  $S \cap I = \emptyset$ , we have that  $S^{-1}I \neq S^{-1}R$ . Let  $0 \neq \frac{x}{s_1} \frac{y}{s_2} \in S^{-1}I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$  and  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . Then  $\frac{x}{s_1} \frac{y}{s_2} = \frac{z}{s_3}$  for some  $z \in I$  and  $s_3 \in S$ . So, there is  $t \in S$  such that  $0 \neq ts_3xy = ts_1s_2z \in I$ . Since I is graded weakly S-prime, there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $sts_3 \in I$  or  $0 \neq sxy \in I$ . Thus  $0 \neq sxy \in I$  as  $sts_3 \notin I$  because  $S \cap I = \emptyset$ . Hence,  $0 \neq s^2x \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , and so  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . This implies that  $\frac{x}{s_1} = \frac{sx}{ss_1} \in S^{-1}I$  or  $\frac{y}{s_2} = \frac{sy}{ss_2} \in S^{-1}I$ . Hence,  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set consisting of regular elements and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if and only if (I:s) is a graded weakly prime ideal of R for some  $s \in S$ .

Proof. Suppose that I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that for any  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . We show that (I:s) is a graded weakly prime ideal of R. Let  $0 \neq xy \in (I:s)$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $0 \neq sxy = (sx)y \in I$ , and then  $0 \neq s^2x \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . If  $sy \in I$ , then  $y \in (I:s)$ . Assume that  $0 \neq s^2x \in I$ . Then  $s^3 \in I$  or  $sx \in I$ . If  $s^3 \in I$ , then  $s^3 \in I \cap S$ , which is a contradiction. So,  $sx \in I$ , which yields that  $x \in (I:s)$ . Therefore, (I:s) is a graded weakly prime ideal of R. Conversely, let  $0 \neq xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $sxy \in I$ , and then  $0 \neq xy \in (I:s)$ , which implies that  $x \in (I:s)$  or  $y \in (I:s)$ , and hence  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Therefore, I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

As one can see from the proof of Proposition 3.6, it is always true that if (I:s) is a graded weakly prime ideal of R for some  $s \in S$  and I is a graded ideal of R with  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ , then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. The condition that "S consisting of regular elements" was needed for the converse. The next example shows that this condition is a sufficient condition which is not necessary:

**Example 3.7.** In Example 3.3,  $I = \{0\}$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. One can see that  $s = 1 \in S$  with (I : s) = I is a graded weakly prime ideal of R. On the other hand,  $3 \in S$  is a zero divisor since  $4 \in R$  with 3.4 = 0.

**Proposition 3.8.** Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of h(R) consisting of regular elements, and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if and only if  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$  and there is  $s \in S$  such that  $(I : h(R), t) \subseteq (I : h(R), s)$  for all  $t \in S$ .

Proof. Suppose that I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Then by Proposition 3.5,  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ . Since I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that for any  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Let  $t \in S$  and  $0 \neq x \in (I:_{h(R)}t)$ . Then  $0 \neq tx \in I$ . Hence,  $st \in I$  or  $sx \in I$ . Since  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ ,  $st \notin I$  which implies that  $sx \in I$ . Consequently,  $x \in (I:_{h(R)}s)$ . Conversely, let  $0 \neq xy \in I$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $0 \neq \frac{x}{1} \cdot \frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , and then  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$  or  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ . If  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{p}{t}$  for some  $p \in I$  and  $t \in S$ , and then  $xt = p \in I$ , which implies that  $x \in (I:_{h(R)}t) \subseteq (I:_{h(R)}s)$  for some  $s \in S$  by assumption. Hence,  $sx \in I$ . Similarly, if  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $sy \in I$ . Therefore, I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

**Proposition 3.9.** Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of h(R) consisting of regular elements, and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if and only if  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$  and  $S^{-1}I \cap h(R) = (I:_{h(R)} s)$  for some  $s \in S$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Then by Proposition 3.5,  $S^{-1}I$  is a graded weakly prime ideal of  $S^{-1}R$ . Since I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that for any  $x, y \in h(R)$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ .

Let  $0 \neq x \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Then  $sx \in I$  and  $x = \frac{xs}{s} \in S^{-1}I$ . Hence,  $x \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ . Now, let  $0 \neq x \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ . Then  $x \in h(R)$  and  $x = \frac{p}{t}$  for some  $p \in I$  and  $t \in S$ . So,  $0 \neq tx = p \in I$ . Hence,  $st \in I$  or  $sx \in I$ . Thus,  $sx \in I$  since  $S \cap I = \emptyset$ . Consequently,  $x \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Therefore,  $S^{-1}I \cap h(R) = (I:_{h(R)} s)$ . Conversely, Let  $x, y \in h(R)$  such that  $0 \neq xy \in I$ . Since  $0 \neq \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , we have  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$  or  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ . If  $\frac{x}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{p}{t}$  for some  $p \in I$  and  $t \in S$ . Hence,  $tx = p \in I$  and so  $x = \frac{tx}{t} \in S^{-1}I \cap h(R)$ , and then  $x \in (I:_{h(R)} s)$  for some  $s \in S$  by assumption, that is  $sx \in I$ . Similarly, if  $\frac{y}{1} \in S^{-1}I$ , then  $sy \in I$ . Therefore, I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

**Lemma 3.10.** Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of h(R) and I be a graded ideal of R such that  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then there is a graded ideal P of R which is maximal with respect to the properties that  $I \subseteq P$  and  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . Moreover, P is a graded prime ideal of R.

Proof. Let  $\Gamma$  be the set of all graded ideals J of R such that  $I \subseteq J$  and  $J \cap S = \emptyset$ . Then  $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$  since  $I \in \Gamma$ . By Zorn's lemma,  $\Gamma$  has a maximal element P. Suppose that P is not a graded prime ideal of R. Then there exist  $x,y \in h(R)$  such that  $xy \in P, x \notin P$  and  $y \notin P$ . Then by ([4], Lemma 2.1), P + Rx and P + Ry are graded ideals of R with  $P \subset P + Rx$  and  $P \subset P + Ry$ , and so there exist  $s,t \in S$  such that  $s \in P + Rx$  and  $t \in P + Ry$ . Hence, s = p + rx and  $t = q + \alpha y$  for some  $p,q \in P$  and  $r,\alpha \in R$ . So,  $st = pq + p\alpha y + rxq + r\alpha xy \in P \cap S$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore, P is a graded prime ideal of R.

A graded ring R is said to be a graded field if every nonzero homogeneous element of R is unit [10]. Clearly, every field is a graded field, but the converse is not necessarily true, see ( [10], Example 3.6). In the same context, a graded ring R is said to be a graded domain if R has no homogeneous zero divisor. Obviously, every domain is a graded domain, but the converse is not necessarily true, see ( [10], Example 3.6).

**Proposition 3.11.** Let R be a graded ring and S be a multiplicative subset of h(R). Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $\{0\}$  is the only graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.
- (2)  $\{0\}$  is the only graded S-prime ideal of R.
- (3) R is a graded domain and  $S^{-1}R$  is a graded field.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let I be a graded S-prime ideal of R. Then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, and then  $I = \{0\}$ . So,  $\{0\}$  is the only graded S-prime ideal of R.

- (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): By Lemma 3.10, there is a graded prime ideal P of R with  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . Hence, P is a graded S-prime ideal of R. Then  $P = \{0\}$ , and so R is a graded domain. Let  $0 \neq x \in h(R)$  and  $s \in S$ . We show that  $\frac{x}{s}$  is unit in  $S^{-1}R$ . If  $x \in S$ , then we have the desired result. Assume that  $x \notin S$ . If  $Rx \cap S = \emptyset$ , then by Lemma 3.10, there is a graded prime ideal P of R such that  $Rx \subseteq P = \{0\}$ , a contradiction. So,  $Rx \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $t \in Rx \cap S$ . Then  $t \in S$  and t = rx for some  $r \in R$ . We have,  $\frac{sr}{t} \in S^{-1}R$  and  $\frac{x}{s} \cdot \frac{sr}{t} = \frac{st}{st} = \frac{1}{1}$ . Then  $\frac{x}{s}$  is unit in  $S^{-1}R$ , and hence  $S^{-1}R$  is a graded field. (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let I be a nonzero graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Let  $0 \neq p \in I$ . Then
- $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let I be a nonzero graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Let  $0 \neq p \in I$ . Then  $0 \neq p_g \in I$  for some  $g \in G$  since I is a graded ideal. Since  $S^{-1}R$  is a graded field, there exists  $0 \neq x \in R$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $\frac{p_g}{1} \frac{x}{s} = \frac{1}{1}$ . Since R is a graded domain, we deduce that  $p_g x = s \in I \cap S = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Consequently,  $\{0\}$  is the only graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

**Proposition 3.12.** Let R be a graded ring and S be a multiplicative subset of h(R). Then every graded weakly S-prime ideal of R is graded prime if and only if R is a graded domain and every graded S-prime ideal of R is graded prime.

*Proof.* Suppose that every graded weakly S-prime ideal of R is graded prime. Since  $\{0\}$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R,  $\{0\}$  is a graded prime ideal of R, and then R is a graded domain. Also, every graded S-prime ideal of R is graded weakly S-prime, and hence is graded prime by assumption. Conversely, since R is a graded domain, every graded weakly S-prime ideal of R is graded S-prime, and hence is graded prime by assumption.

**Proposition 3.13.** Let R be a graded ring,  $S \subseteq h(R)$  be a multiplicative set and I be a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. If J is a graded ideal of R such that  $J \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , then  $I \cap J$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

Proof. By ( [4], Lemma 2.1),  $I \cap J$  is a graded ideal of R. Clearly,  $(I \cap J) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $t \in J \cap S$ . Assume that  $0 \neq xy \in I \cap J$  for some  $x, y \in h(R)$ . Then  $0 \neq xy \in I$ , and then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$  for some  $s \in S$ , which implies that  $st \in S$  with  $stx \in I \cap J$  or  $sty \in I \cap J$ . Hence,  $I \cap J$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

**Remark 3.14.** Let  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$  be multiplicative subsets of h(R) and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with  $S_2$ . Clearly, if I is a graded weakly  $S_1$ -prime ideal of R, then I is graded weakly  $S_2$ -prime. However, the converse is not necessarily true. To see this, we proved in Example 2.3 that P = 9XR is a graded  $S_2$ -prime ideal of R, where  $S_2 = \{3^n : n \text{ is a non-negative integer}\}$ , so P is a graded weakly  $S_2$ -prime ideal of R. On the other hand,  $S_1 = \{1\} \subseteq S_2$  with P is not a graded weakly  $S_1$ -prime ideal of R since  $9, X \in h(R)$  with  $0 \neq 9X \in P$ ,  $9 \notin P$  and  $X \notin P$ .

**Proposition 3.15.** Let  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$  be multiplicative subsets of h(R) such that for any  $s \in S_2$ , there is an element  $t \in S_2$  satisfying  $st \in S_1$ . If I is a graded weakly  $S_2$ -prime ideal of R, then I is a graded weakly  $S_1$ -prime ideal of R.

Proof. Since I is a graded weakly  $S_2$ -prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S_2$  such that if  $x, y \in h(R)$  with  $0 \neq xy \in I$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Let  $x, y \in h(R)$  such that  $0 \neq xy \in I$ . Then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . By the assumption,  $r = st \in S_1$  for some  $t \in S_2$ , and then  $rx \in I$  or  $ry \in I$ . Consequently, I is a graded weakly  $S_1$ -prime ideal of R.

Let S be a multiplicative subset of h(R),  $S^* = \{r \in h(R) : \frac{r}{1} \text{ is unit in } S^{-1}R\}$  denotes the saturation of S. Note that,  $S^*$  is a multiplicative subset of h(R) containing S.

**Proposition 3.16.** Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of h(R) and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R if and only if I is a graded weakly  $S^*$ -prime ideal of R.

Proof. Clearly,  $S^* \cap I = \emptyset$ . We show that for any  $a \in S^*$ , there is  $b \in S^*$  such that  $ab \in S$ . Let  $a \in S^*$ . Then  $\frac{a}{1}\frac{c}{s} = 1$  for some  $s \in S$  and  $c \in h(R)$ . This implies that  $tca = ts \in S$ , for some  $t \in S$ . Now, take b = tc. Then, we have  $b \in S^*$  with  $ab \in S$ , and so the desired condition is satisfied. Therefore, by putting  $S = S_1$  and  $S_2 = S^*$ , we conclude immediately the result from Proposition 3.15.

**Proposition 3.17.** Let  $f: R \to T$  be a graded ring homomorphism and S be a multiplicative subset of h(R).

- (1) If f is a graded epimorphism and I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R containing Ker(f), then f(I) is a graded weakly f(S)-prime ideal of T.
- (2) If f is a graded monomorphism and J is a graded weakly f(S)-prime ideal of T, then  $f^{-1}(J)$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.
- Proof. (1) By ([8], Lemma 3.11 (2)), f(I) is a graded ideal of T. Let  $r \in f(S) \cap f(I)$ . Then r = f(p) = f(s) for some  $p \in I$  and  $s \in S$ . So,  $s - p \in Ker(f) \subseteq I$ , which implies that  $s \in I$ , a contradiction. Hence  $f(S) \cap f(I) = \emptyset$ . Now, let

 $0 \neq xy \in f(P)$  for some  $x, y \in h(T)$ . Then there is  $a, b \in h(R)$  such that f(a) = x, f(b) = y and  $0 \neq f(ab) = xy \in f(P)$ . Since  $Ker(f) \subseteq I$ , we get  $0 \neq ab \in I$ , and so  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$  for some  $s \in S$ . It means that  $f(s)x \in f(P)$  or  $f(s)y \in f(I)$ . Thus, f(I) is a graded weakly f(S)-prime ideal of T.

(2) By ([8], Lemma 3.11 (1)),  $f^{-1}(J)$  is a graded ideal of R. Clearly,  $f^{-1}(J) \cap S = \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in h(R)$  such that  $0 \neq xy \in f^{-1}(J)$ . Since  $Ker(f) = \{0\}$ , we get  $0 \neq f(xy) = f(x)f(y) \in J$ . Then  $f(s)f(x) = f(sx) \in J$  or  $f(s)f(y) = f(sy) \in J$  for some  $s \in S$ . Thus,  $sx \in f^{-1}(J)$  or  $sy \in f^{-1}(J)$ , and so we conclude that  $f^{-1}(J)$  is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R.

Corollary 3.18. Let R be a graded ring and S be a multiplicative subset of h(R).

- (1) If  $I \subseteq P$  are two graded ideals of R and P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, then P/I is a graded weakly  $\overline{S}$ -prime ideal of R/I, where  $\overline{S} = \{s + I : s \in S\}$ .
- (2) If P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, then  $P \cap R_e$  is a weakly S-prime ideal of  $R_e$ .
- *Proof.* (1) By ( [10], Lemma 3.2), P/I is a graded ideal of R/I. Define  $f: R \to R/I$  by f(r) = r + I. Then f is a graded epimorphism, and then the result follows by Proposition 3.17 (1).
  - (2) Define  $f: R_e \to R$  by f(r) = r. Then f is a graded monomorphism, and then the result follows by Proposition 3.17 (2).

**Proposition 3.19.** Let R be a graded ring and  $S \subseteq h(R)$  a multiplicative set. If every proper graded ideal of R is graded weakly S-prime, then  $S \subseteq U(R)$ , and hence the concepts of graded weakly S-prime ideals and graded weakly prime ideals coincide.

*Proof.* Let  $s \in S$ . Since every graded maximal ideal of R is graded weakly S-prime, there is no graded maximal ideal of R contains s. This implies that s is unit, and so  $S \subseteq U(R)$ .

**Definition 3.20.** Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$ ,  $S \subseteq R_e$  be a multiplicative set and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . We say that P is a g-S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in R_g$ , if  $xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ .

**Definition 3.21.** Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$ ,  $S \subseteq R_e$  be a multiplicative set and P be a graded ideal of R such that  $P \cap S = \emptyset$ . We say that P is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R if there exists  $s \in S$  such that for all  $x, y \in R_g$ , if  $0 \neq xy \in P$ , then  $sx \in P$  or  $sy \in P$ .

**Remark 3.22.** Clearly, every g-S-prime ideal is g-weakly S-prime. However, in Example 3.3, P is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R, so P is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R for all  $g \in G$ . On the other hand, P is not a 0-S-prime ideal of R since  $2, 6 \in R_0$  with  $2.6 \in P$ ,  $2s \notin P$  and  $6s \notin P$  for each  $s \in S$ .

**Proposition 3.23.** Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$ , S be a multiplicative subset of  $R_e$  and I be a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R which is not g-S-prime. Then  $I_g^2 = \{0\}$ .

Proof. Since I is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $x, y \in R_g$ ,  $0 \neq xy \in I$  implies  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Suppose that  $I_g^2 \neq \{0\}$ . We show that I is a g-S-prime ideal of R. Let  $x, y \in R_g$  such that  $xy \in I$ . If  $xy \neq 0$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Assume that xy = 0. If  $xI_g \neq \{0\}$ , there is  $p \in I_g$  such that  $0 \neq xp$ , and so  $0 \neq xp = x(p+y) \in I$ . Hence,  $sx \in I$  or  $s(p+y) \in I$ , and hence  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Similarly, if  $yI_g \neq \{0\}$ , we obtain the same result. Finally, assume that  $xI_g = \{0\}$  and  $yP_g = \{0\}$ . Since  $I_g^2 \neq \{0\}$ , there exists  $p, q \in I_g$  such that  $pq \neq 0$ . Thus,  $0 \neq pq = (x+p)(y+q) \in I$ . Then  $s(x+p) \in I$  or  $s(y+q) \in I$ . Therefore,  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ . Consequently, we conclude that I is a g-S-prime ideal of R. So,  $I_g^2 = \{0\}$ .  $\square$ 

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Compare the following corollary with ([2], Proposition 2.2):

Corollary 3.24. Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$  and I be a g-weakly prime ideal of R which is not g-prime. Then  $I_g^2 = \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* Apply Proposition 3.23 with  $S = \{1\}$ .

Recall that a ring R is said to be reduced if  $N(R) = \{0\}$ .

**Corollary 3.25.** Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$ , S be a multiplicative subset of  $R_e$  and P be a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R which is not g-S-prime. Then  $I_g \subseteq Grad(\{0\})$ . In particular, if R is reduced, then  $I_g = \{0\}$ .

Compare the following theorem with ([2], Proposition 2.3, Theorem 2.10, Theorem 2.12):

**Theorem 3.26.** Let R be a G-graded ring,  $g \in G$ ,  $S \subseteq R_e$  be a multiplicative subset and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) I is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R.
- (2) There exists  $s \in S$  such that for each  $a \notin (I :_{R_g} s)$  we have either  $(I :_{R_g} a) \subseteq (I :_{R_g} s)$  or  $(I :_{R_g} a) = (0 :_{R_g} a)$ .
- (3) There exists  $s \in S$  such that for all graded ideals K and J of R, if  $0 \neq K_g J_g \subseteq I$ , then  $sK_g \subseteq I$  or  $sJ_g \subseteq I$ .
- Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Since I is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R, there exists  $s \in S$  such that whenever  $a, b \in R_g$ ,  $0 \neq ab \in I$  implies  $sa \in I$  or  $sb \in I$ . Let  $a \in R_g (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Then  $sa \notin I$ . Suppose that  $(I:_{R_g} a) \neq (0:_{R_g} a)$ . Since  $(0:_{R_g} a) \subseteq (I:_{R_g} a)$ , there exists  $x \in (I:_{R_g} a)$  with  $xa \neq 0$ . Thus,  $0 \neq xa \in I$ . Hence, since  $sa \notin I$ , we have  $sx \in I$ . Assume that  $b \in (I:_{R_g} a)$ . Then  $ab \in I$ . If  $ab \neq 0$ , then  $sb \in I$ , and then  $b \in (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Suppose that ab = 0. Then  $0 \neq ax = a(x + b) \in I$ , and then  $s(x + b) \in I$ . Therefore,  $sb \in I$ . So,  $b \in (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Consequently,  $(I:_{R_g} a) \subseteq (I:_{R_g} s)$ .
- $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Let K and J be graded ideals of R such that  $0 \neq K_g J_g \subseteq I$ . Suppose that  $sK_g \nsubseteq I$  and  $sJ_g \nsubseteq I$ . We show that  $K_g J_g = \{0\}$ . Let  $a \in K_g (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Then  $aJ_g \subseteq I$ , and then  $J_g \subseteq (I:_{R_g} a)$ . Since  $J_g \nsubseteq (I:_{R_g} s)$ , we get  $J_g \subseteq (I:_{R_g} a) = (0:_{R_g} a)$ . Hence,  $aJ_g = \{0\}$ . Suppose that  $a \in K_g \cap (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Let  $b \in J_g$ . If  $b \notin (I:_{R_g} s)$ , then as heretofore, we obtain  $bK_g = \{0\}$ , and so ba = 0. If  $b \in (I:_{R_g} s)$ , take  $r \in J_g$  such that  $sr \notin I$ . Hence,  $r \notin (I:_{R_g} s)$  and  $b + r \notin (I:_{R_g} s)$ . Hence, ar = 0 and a(b + r) = 0. Then ab = 0. So,  $aJ_g = \{0\}$ . Consequently,  $I_g J_g = \{0\}$ .
- $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let  $x, y \in R_g$  with  $0 \neq xy \in I$ . Then K = Rx and J = Ry are graded ideals of R with  $0 \neq K_g J_g \subseteq I$ . Hence, by assumption we have  $sK_g \subseteq I$  or  $sJ_g \subseteq I$ . Thus,  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , and so we conclude that I is a g-weakly S-prime ideal of R.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.27.** Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of  $R_e$  and I be an e-weakly S-prime ideal of R that is not e-S-prime. Then  $sI_e(Grad(\{0\}))_e = \{0\}$  for some  $s \in S$ .

Proof. By Theorem 3.26, there exists  $s \in S$  such that for each  $a \notin (I:_{R_e} s)$  we have either  $(I:_{R_e} a) \subseteq (I:_{R_e} s)$  or  $(I:_{R_e} a) = (0:_{R_e} a)$ . Let  $x \in (Grad(\{0\}))_e$ . If  $x \in (I:_{R_e} s)$ , then  $sx \in I_e$ . Thus, by Proposition 3.23,  $sxI_e = \{0\}$ . Suppose that  $x \notin (I:_{R_e} s)$ . Then  $(I:_{R_e} x) \subseteq (I:_{R_e} s)$  or  $(I:_{R_e} x) = (0:_{R_e} x)$ . Since  $I \subseteq (I:_{R_e} x)$ , the case  $(I:_{R_e} x) = (0:_{R_e} x)$  implies that  $xI_e = \{0\}$ , and then  $sxI_e = \{0\}$ . Assume that  $(I:_{R_e} x) \subseteq (I:_{R_e} s)$ . Let m > 1 be a minimal integer such that  $x^m = 0$ . Then  $x^{m-1} \in (I:_{R_e} x) \subseteq (I:_{R_e} s)$ . Therefore,  $sx^{m-1} \in I_e$ . Since  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ , m-1 > 1. If  $sx^{m-1} \neq 0$ , then  $sx \in I_e$ , a contradiction. So,  $sx^{m-1} = 0$ . Let k be minimal such that  $sx^k = 0$ . Since  $sx \neq 0$ , we get that k > 1. Suppose that there exists  $p \in I_e$  such that  $sxp \neq 0$ . We have  $0 \neq sx(x^{k-1} + p) = sxp \in I$ . Then,  $s(x^{k-1} + p) \in I$ . Hence,

 $0 \neq sx^{k-1} \in I$ . Hence,  $sx \in I$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $sxI_e = \{0\}$ . Consequently,  $sI_eGrad(\{0\}) = \{0\}$ .

Corollary 3.28. Let R be a graded ring, S be a multiplicative subset of  $R_e$  and I be an e-weakly S-prime ideal of R that is not e-S-prime. Then  $I_e \subseteq Grad(\{0\})$  and  $I_e(Grad(\{0\}))_e = \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* Apply Corollary 3.25 and Proposition 3.27 with  $S = \{1\}$ .

Corollary 3.29. Let R be a graded ring and S be a multiplicative subset of  $R_e$ . If I and J are e-weakly S-prime ideals that are not e-S-prime, then  $sI_eJ_e = \{0\}$  for some  $s \in S$ .

Proof. By Corollary 3.25,  $J_e \subseteq Grad(\{0\})$ , and then  $J_e \subseteq R_e \cap Grad(\{0\}) = (Grad(\{0\}))_e$ . So, by Proposition 3.27,  $sI_eJ_e \subseteq sI_e(Grad(\{0\}))_e = \{0\}$  for some  $s \in S$ .

Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be two G-graded rings. Then  $R = R_1 \times R_2$  is G-graded by  $(R_1 \times R_2)_g = (R_1)_g \times (R_2)_g$  for all  $g \in G$ . Moreover,  $I = I_1 \times I_2$  is a graded ideal of R if and only if  $I_1$  is a graded ideal of  $R_1$  and  $I_2$  is a graded ideal of  $R_2$  ([10], Lemma 3.10).

**Proposition 3.30.** Let  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  be two G-graded rings,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  be multiplicative subsets of  $(R_1)_e$ ,  $(R_2)_e$  respectively, and  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$  be nonzero graded ideals of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , respectively. Suppose that  $I = I_1 \times I_2$  and  $S = S_1 \times S_2$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) I is an e-weakly S-prime ideal of R.
- (2)  $I_1$  is an e-S<sub>1</sub>-prime ideal of  $R_1$  and  $S_2 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$  or  $I_2$  is an e-S<sub>2</sub>-prime ideal of  $R_2$  and  $S_1 \cap I_1 \neq \emptyset$ .
- (3) I is an e-S-prime ideal of R.

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $(x,y) \in R_e$  such that  $0 \neq (x,y) \in I$ . Then  $0 \neq (x,y) = (x,1)(1,y) \in I$ . Since I is an e-weakly S-prime ideal of R, then there is  $s = (s_1,s_2) \in S$  such that  $s(x,1) = (s_1x,s_2) \in I$  or  $s(1,y) = (s_1,s_2y) \in I$ . Thus,  $S_1 \cap I_1 \neq \emptyset$  or  $S_2 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that  $S_2 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$ . As  $I \cap S = \emptyset$ , we have  $I_1 \cap S_1 = \emptyset$ . Now, we show that  $I_1$  is an e- $S_1$ -prime ideal of  $R_1$ . Let  $xy \in I_1$  for some  $x,y \in (R_1)_e$ . Since  $S_2 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$ , then there is  $0 \neq t \in S_2 \cap I_2$ , and so we have  $0 \neq (x,t)(y,1) \in I$ . Hence,  $s(x,t) = (s_1x,s_2t) \in I$  or  $s(y,1) = (s_1y,s_2) \in I$ . So, we get  $s_1x \in I_1$  or  $s_1y \in I_1$ , as desired.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Follows from ([10], Lemma 3.11).

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**Proposition 3.31.** Let  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  be two G-graded rings,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  be multiplicative subsets of  $(R_1)_e$ ,  $(R_2)_e$  respectively, and  $S = S_1 \times S_2$ . If every proper graded ideal of R is e-weakly S-prime, then  $(R_1)_e$  and  $(R_2)_e$  are fields.

*Proof.* Let  $P_1$  be a proper graded ideal of  $R_1$ . Then  $P_1 \times R_2$  is an e-weakly S-prime ideal of R, and so  $P_1$  is an e- $S_1$ -prime ideal of  $R_1$  by Proposition 3.30. Thus, every proper graded ideal of  $R_1$  is e- $S_1$ -prime. So, by ( [10], Corollary 2.14),  $(R_1)_e$  is a field. Similarly,  $(R_2)_e$  is a field.

**Proposition 3.32.** Let  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  be two G-graded rings,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  be multiplicative subsets of  $(R_1)_e$ ,  $(R_2)_e$  respectively, and  $S = S_1 \times S_2$ . If  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are graded fields, then every proper graded ideal of R is e-weakly S-prime.

*Proof.* Since  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are graded fields, we have exactly three proper graded ideals of R, that are  $\{0\} \times \{0\}, \{0\} \times R_2$  and  $R_1 \times \{0\}$  which are e-weakly-S-prime by Proposition 3.30.

Assume that M is an R-module. Then M is said to be G-graded if  $M = \bigoplus_{g \in G} M_g$  with

 $R_g M_h \subseteq M_{gh}$  for all  $g, h \in G$  where  $M_g$  is an additive subgroup of M for all  $g \in G$ . The

elements of  $M_g$  are called homogeneous of degree g. It is clear that  $M_g$  is an  $R_e$ -submodule of M for all  $g \in G$ . We assume that  $h(M) = \bigcup_{g \in G} M_g$ . Let N be an R-submodule of a

graded R-module M. Then N is said to be graded R-submodule if  $N = \bigoplus_{g \in G} (N \cap M_g)$ ,

i.e., for  $x \in N$ ,  $x = \sum_{g \in G} x_g$  where  $x_g \in N$  for all  $g \in G$ . It is known that an R-submodule

of a graded R-module need not be graded. For more terminology see [6,7].

Let M be an R-module. The idealization  $R(+)M = \{(r,m) : r \in R \text{ and } m \in M\}$  of M is a commutative ring with componentwise addition and multiplication;  $(x, m_1) + (y, m_2) = (x + y, m_1 + m_2)$  and  $(x, m_1)(y, m_2) = (xy, xm_2 + ym_1)$  for each  $x, y \in R$  and  $m_1, m_2 \in M$ . Let G be an abelian group and M be a G-graded R-module. Then X = R(+)M is G-graded by  $X_g = R_g(+)M_g$  for all  $g \in G$ . Note that,  $X_g$  is an additive subgroup of X for all  $g \in G$ . Also, for  $g, h \in G$ ,  $X_g X_h = (R_g(+)M_g)(R_h(+)M_h) = (R_g R_h, R_g M_h + R_h M_g) \subseteq (R_{gh}, M_{gh} + M_{hg}) \subseteq (R_{gh}, M_{gh}) = X_{gh}$  as G is abelian [11]. Moreover, if P is an ideal of R and R is an R-submodule of R such that R is a graded ideal of R and R is a graded R-submodule of R and R-submodule of R-su

**Proposition 3.33.** Let G be an abelian group, R be a G-graded ring, M be a G-graded R-module, S be a multiplicative subset of h(R) and I be a graded ideal of R disjoint with S. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) I(+)M is a graded weakly  $(S(+)\{0\})$ -prime ideal of R(+)M.
- (2) I(+)M is a graded weakly (S(+)h(M))-prime ideal of R(+)M.
- (3) I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R associated to  $s \in S$  and whenever  $x, y \in h(R)$  with xy = 0, but  $sx \notin I$  and  $sy \notin I$ , then  $x \in Ann_R(M)$  and  $y \in Ann_R(M)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Follows by Remark 3.14 since  $S(+)\{0\} \subseteq S(+)h(M)$ .

- $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Let  $x,y \in h(R)$  such that  $0 \neq xy \in I$ . Then  $(0,0) \neq (x,0)(y,0) \in I(+)M$ . As I(+)M is a graded weakly (S(+)h(M))-prime ideal of R(+)M, there is  $(s,n) \in S(+)h(M)$  such that  $(s,n)(x,0) = (sx,xn) \in I(+)M$  or  $(s,n)(y,0) = (sy,yn) \in I(+)M$ . Thus,  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , and so I is a graded weakly S-prime ideal of R. Suppose that xy = 0 with  $sx \notin I$  and  $sy \notin I$ . Assume that  $x \notin Ann_R(M)$ . Then there is  $m \in M$  such that  $xm \neq 0$ , which gives that  $xm_g \neq 0$  for some  $g \in G$ , and so we have  $(0,0) \neq (x,0)(y,m_g) \in I(+)M$ . Hence,  $(s,n)(x,0) = (sx,xn) \in I(+)M$  or  $(s,n)(y,m_g) = (sy,sm_g+yn) \in I(+)M$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $x \in Ann_R(M)$  and  $y \in Ann_R(M)$ .
- $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let  $(0,0) \neq (x,m)(y,n) \in I(+)M$ , where  $(x,m),(y,n) \in h(R(+)M)$ . If  $xy \neq 0$ , then  $sx \in I$  or  $sy \in I$ , and hence  $(s,0)(x,m) \in I(+)M$  or  $(s,0)(y,n) \in I(+)M$ . Assume that xy = 0 with  $sx \notin I$  and  $sy \notin I$ . Then  $x, y \in Ann_R(M)$ . Consequently, we get (x,m)(y,n) = (0,0), a contradiction. Therefore, I(+)M is a graded weakly  $(S(+)\{0\})$ -prime ideal of R(+)M.

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