

# Strongly irreducible submodules in the Arithmetical and Noetherian modules

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Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and let  $M$  be an arbitrary  $R$ -module. In this talk, we will introduce the concept of strongly irreducible submodules of  $M$  and we will prove some properties of them, whenever  $M$  is either an arithmetical or a Noetherian module. In case when  $R$  is Noetherian and  $M$  is finitely generated, several characterizations of strongly irreducible submodules are included. Among other things, it is shown that when  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$  such that  $N :_R M$  is not a prime ideal, then  $N$  is strongly irreducible if and only if there exist a submodule  $L$  of  $M$  and a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $R$  such that  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{p}$ -primary,  $N \subsetneq L \subseteq \mathfrak{p}M$  and for all submodules  $K$  of  $M$  either  $K \subseteq N$  or  $L_{\mathfrak{p}} \subseteq K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . In addition, we show that a submodule  $N$  of  $M$  is strongly irreducible if and only if  $N$  is primary,  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is arithmetical and  $N = (\mathfrak{p}M)^{(n)}$  for some integer  $n > 1$ , where  $\mathfrak{p} = \text{Rad}(N :_R M)$  with  $\mathfrak{p} \notin \text{Ass}_R R / \text{Ann}_R(M)$  and  $\mathfrak{p}M \not\subseteq N$ . As a consequence we deduce that if  $R$  is integral domain and  $M$  is torsion-free, then there exists a strongly irreducible submodule  $N$  of  $M$  such that  $N :_R M$  is not a prime ideal if and only if there is a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $R$  with  $\mathfrak{p}M \not\subseteq N$  and  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is an arithmetical  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module. This talk is based on a joint work with M. Sedghi (preprint 2020).

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