

## Abian's Order in Near-Rings and Direct Product of Near-Fields

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### Abstract

It is shown that a near-ring  $N$  which has no nonzero nilpotent elements is a partially ordered set where  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $yx = x^2$ .

Also it is shown that  $(N, \leq)$  is infinitely distributive for central elements that is  $r(\sup x_i) = \sup(rx_i)$  for every central element  $r$  of  $N$  and any subset  $\{x_i\}$  of  $N$ . By using some lemmas we showed that a near-ring without nilpotent elements is isomorphic to a direct product of near-fields if and only if  $N$  is hyperatomic and orthogonally complete under the condition that every idempotent of  $N$  is central.

### 1. Introduction

In 1970 Alexander Abian introduced an order relation in a semisimple commutative ring. This relation  $\leq$  is defined by  $x \leq y$  iff  $xy = x^2$ .

By using that relation he showed that a commutative semisimple ring  $R$  is isomorphic to a direct product of fields if and only if  $R$  is hyperatomic and orthogonally complete. To prove the above theorem is true he showed that relation is infinitely distributive that is  $r(\sup x_i) = \sup(rx_i)$  for every subset  $\{x_i\}$  of  $R$  (1).

M. Charcron extended Abian's results to noncommutative rings.

He showed that if  $R$  has no nilpotent elements in stead of semisimplecity in commutative case, the order relation defined by Abian is partially order. And he also showed that  $R$  is isomorphic to a direct product of division rings if and only if  $R$  is hyperatomic and orthogonally complete whose meanings are same to that of Abian's(4).

H.C.Myung and L.R.Jimenez showed that Abian's results are also true in alternating rings with additional conditions that are  $xy=0$  iff  $yx=0$  and  $xy=xt$  iff  $yx=tx$  for every  $x,y,t \in R$  (5).

In this paper we studied Abian's order in ner-rings and obtained similar results to other cases studied by above some matematicians.

Recall that  $(N, +, \cdot)$  is called a near-ring if the following conditions are satisfied

- (a)  $(N, +)$  is a group (not necessarily abelian)
- (b)  $(N, \cdot)$  is a semigroup.
- (c) For every  $x,y,x \in N$ ;  $(x+y) \cdot z = xz + yz$ , that is right distributive law is satisfied.

Since near-ring structure does not satisfy left distributive law  $n \cdot 0$  may be not 0 where 0 is the identity for addition. But throughout this paper, we assume that  $n \cdot 0 = 0$  for  $\forall n \in N$ , that is the zera symmetric  $N_0 = \{n \in N \mid n \cdot 0 = 0\} = N$ . Its main examples are the set of functions on an additive group with addition and multiplication defined by following :

- (a) addition  $+$  :  $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  for every  $x$  in a group.
- (b) multiplication  $\cdot$  :  $(f \cdot g) = f(g(x))$  that is multiplication is composition of functions.

Multiplication will in most cases be indicated by juxtaposition : so we write  $n_1 n_2$  instead of  $n_1 \cdot n_2$ .

## 2. Mian Results

Since left distributive law is not satisfied in near-rings we need the following remark.

**Remark.** If a near-ring  $N$  has no non-zero nilpotent elements,

the followings are true.

- (i)  $xy=0$  if and only if  $yx=0$  for every  $x,y \in N$
- (ii)  $xy=0$  if and only if  $(-x)y=0$
- (iii)  $xy=0$  implies that  $xzy=0$  for every  $z \in N$ .
- (iv)  $xyz=0$  implies that  $xzyz=0$

**Proof.** (i) Since  $xy=0$  implies  $(yx)^2=0$ ,  $yx=0$   
(ii) From the fact that  $(-x)y=-xy$  for  $(-x)y+xy-(-x+x)y=0$ .  
But  $x(-y)$  may be not  $-xy$  because the left distributive law is not satisfied.  
(iii) Since  $(xzy)^2=0$  for  $yx=0$ ,  $xzy=0$ .  
(iv) is proved by similar method.

Abias's order in near-rings without nonzero nilpotent elements is introduced slightly differently through the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** Let an order  $\leq$  be given by  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $yx=x^2$  for every  $x,y \in N$  in a near-ring  $N$ . If  $N$  has no nonzero nilpotent elements,  $(N, \leq)$  is a partially ordered set.

**Proof.** (i) suppose that  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$ . Since  $yx=x^2$  and  $xy=y^2$  we have  $(y-x)x=0$  and  $(x-y)y=0$ . By remark (i) and (ii) we obtain  $x(x-y)=(-y)(x-y)=0$ . Thus  $0=x(x-y)+(-y)(x-y)=(x-y)^2=0$ .

Hence  $x-y=0$ . From this we know that  $\leq$  is antisymmetric.

(ii) Suppose that  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq z$ . Since  $(y-z)x=0$  and  $(z-y)y=0$ ,  $(z-y)y=(z-y)yx=(z-y)x^2=(z-y)x=0$  for  $ab^2=0$  implies  $ab=0$ .

Thus  $zx=yx=x^2$ . Hence we obtain  $x \leq z$ .

By similar calculation we know that  $x \leq y$  implies  $xz \leq yz$  for every  $z \in N$  by remark (iv).

Abian showed that the fact that  $x \leq y$  and  $u \leq v$  implies that  $xu \leq yv$  in his paper(1). But in near-ring case that may be not true. With additional conditions we obtain similar result for near-rings.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $N$  be a near-ring without nonzero nilpotent elements. If  $x \in C(N)$  where  $C(N)$  is the center of  $N$ , then  $xu \leq yv$  if  $x \leq y$  and  $u \leq v$ .

**Proof.** Since  $(v-u)u=0$ ,  $(v-u)ux=(v-u)xux=0$ . And  $(y-x)x=(y-x)xv=(y-x)vx=(y-x)vux=0$  by assumption. Thus  $yvxu=xvxu=vxux=uxux=xuxu=(xu)^2$

If  $e$  is a central idempotent in  $N$  then we know that  $ex \leq x$  for every  $x \in N$  for  $xex = exe = exex = (ex)^2$ . We study the role of idempotents in  $N$  with our order relation.

**Lemma 3.** Let  $a, s$  be elements in a near-ring  $N$  without nonzero nilpotent elements such that  $sa^2 = a$ . Then the followings are true.

- (i)  $sas = a$
- (ii)  $as = sa$  and  $as$  is an idempotent.
- (iii) If  $x \leq as$  for some  $x \in N$ , then  $x$  is an idempotent.

**Proof.** Since  $(asa-a)asa = (asa-a)a = 0$ ,  $asa(asa-a) - a(asa-a) = (aasa-a)^2 = 0$ . Thus  $asa = a$ .

(ii) since  $asa = a$ ,  $(as)^2 = as$ . On one hand  $(sa-as)sa = (sa-as)as = 0$  implies  $sa(sa-as) - as(sa-as) = (sa-as)^2 = 0$ .

(iii) Since  $asx = x^2$ ,  $(x-asx)x = 0$  for  $x^2-asx^2 = asx-asasx = asx-asx = 0$  by (i). Thus  $x(x-x^2) - x^2(x-x^2) = 0$  for  $(x-x^2)x = 0$ .

We define some terminologies to prove our main theorem.

**Definition.** A nonzero element  $a$  in a near-ring  $N$  is called a hyperatom in  $N$  if and only if for every  $x \in N$

- (i)  $x \leq a$  implies  $x = 0$  or  $x = a$
- (ii)  $xa \neq 0$  implies  $(xa)s = a$  for some element  $s$  in  $N$ .

We get the following lemma

**Lemma 4.** Let  $x$  be a nonzero element in a near-ring  $N$  without nonzero nilpotent elements. If  $a \leq x$  for some nonzero hyperatom  $a$  in  $N$ , then there exists an idempotent hyperatom  $e$  such that  $xe \neq 0$ .

**Proof.** Since  $a$  is a nonzero hyperatom,  $sa^2 = a$  for  $a^2 \neq 0$ . By lemma 3  $sa = as$  and  $as$  is an idempotent. We must show that  $sa$  is a hyperatom and  $sax \neq 0$ . At first we assume that  $y \leq as$  for

some  $y \in N$ . Then  $ya \leq asa = a$  implies  $ya = 0$  or  $ya = a$  for  $a$  is hyperatom. If  $ya = 0$  then  $0 = yas = yasy = y(asy) = yy^2 = y^3$ . Thus  $y = 0$ . Secondly if  $ya \neq a$  then  $0 = (y-as)a = (y-as)s$ . On one hand  $(y-as)y = 0$  for  $y \leq as$ . Thus  $y(y-as) - as(y-as) - (y-as)^2 = 0$ . This means that  $y = as$ . Hence the first condition for hyperatom is satisfied. To show that second condition is also satisfied we assume that  $yas \neq 0$  for some  $y \in N$ . Since  $a$  is hyperatom there exists an  $r$  in  $N$  such that  $ysar = a$  (in fact  $as = sa$ ) Thus  $as$  is a hyperatom. Finally  $xas = a^2s = a \neq 0$ . Hence lemma is proved.

Now we study the relation between hyperatom idempotents and near-fields. We get the following lemma.

**Lemma 5.** Let  $e$  be a hyperatom idempotent of a near-ring  $N$  without nonzero nilpotent elements. Then the followings are true.

- (i)  $Ne$  is a near-field.
- (ii) If  $b$  is another hyperatom idempotent of  $N$  and  $b \in C(N)$ , then  $eb = be = 0$ , that is the set of all central hyperatom idempotents of  $N$  is orthogonal.

**Proof.** At first we show that  $Ne$  is a subgroup under addition. For arbitrary  $n_1e, n_2e \in Ne$   $n_1e - n_2e = (n_1 - n_2)e$  by right distributive law. On one hand if  $ne \neq 0$ , then there exists an  $r$  in  $N$  such that  $ner = e$  for  $e$  is a hyperatom where  $e$  is clearly a right identity of  $Ne$  for multiplication. Thus  $re$  is right inverse of  $ne$ . since there exists a right identity and a right inverse of every nonzero element  $ne$  of  $Ne$ ,  $Ne$  is a multiplication group except zero. Thus  $Ne$  is a near-field.

(ii) If  $b$  is another nonzero central hyperatom idempotent of  $N$ , we get  $be$  and  $eb$  are also idempotents of  $N$ .

From these facts  $be \leq b$ . And  $be = 0$  or  $be = b$ . If  $be = b$ , by similar method we get  $eb = e$  and  $e = be = eb = b$ . This is contradiction to assumption. Hence  $be = eb = 0$ .

**Definition.** Let  $N$  be a nearring.

- (1)  $N$  is called hyperatomic if for every nonzero element  $r$  in  $N$  there exists a hyperatom  $a$  in  $A$  such that  $a \leq r$

(2)  $N$  is called orthogonal complete if  $\sup S$  exists for every orthogonally subset  $S$  of  $N$ .

We easily know that if  $N$  is hyperatomic then for every nonzero element  $q$  of  $N$  there exists a hyperatom idempotent  $e$  such that  $qe \neq 0$  by lemma 4. Moreover we know that for every element  $r$  of  $N$  the  $\sup e_r = r$  where  $e_r$  is central hyperatom idempotents of  $N$ . In fact  $e_r \leq r$  for every  $r$  in  $N$ .

Before we get the main theorem, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\{x_i\}$  be a subset of  $N$  such that  $\sup x_i$  exists. Then for every  $a$  in  $C(N)$ ,  $\sup(x_i a) = \sup(x_i) a$  that is infinitely distributive for center of  $N$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\sup(x_i) = v$ . Since  $x_i \leq v$  for all  $i$ ,  $x_i a \leq v a$ .

On one hand, let  $u$  be an upper bound of  $x_i a$ . It is sufficient to show that  $v a \leq u$ . Since  $a x_i = x_i a \leq v$ ,  $x_i a \leq v a$  and  $x_i \leq v$ , we get

$$(u - v a) x_i a = (u - v) a x_i = 0$$

$$((u - v a) a + v) x_i = x_i^2 \text{ for } v x_i = x_i^2$$

Thus  $x_i \leq (u - v) a + v$  for all  $i$ . By the fact we get  $v \leq (u - v) a + v$ .

Hence  $((u - v) a + v) v = v^2$ . This means  $u a v = v a v = a v a$  that is  $v a - a v \leq u$ . The theorem is proved.

Now we prove the main theorem.

**Theorem 7.** A near-ring  $N$  is isomorphic to a direct product of near-fields if and only if  $N$  is hyperatomic and orthogonally complete under the condition that every hyperatom idempotent of  $N$  is in the center of  $N$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f$  be an isomorphism from  $N$  onto a direct product  $\prod F_i$  of near-fields  $F_i$ . Let  $r$  be a nonzero element and let  $f(r) = (r_i)_{i \in I}$ . Then there exists some  $r_i \neq 0$ , where  $r_i \in F_i$ . Let  $u_i$  be the unit of  $F_i$ . The element  $a$  of  $N$  given by  $a = r f^{-1}((a_i))$  with  $a_i = u_i$  and  $a_i = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  is a hyperatom of  $R$  with  $a \leq r$ .

Suppose that  $x \leq a$ . If  $x \neq 0$   $a x = x^2$ . Thus  $f(a - x) x = 0$ . On one hand

$f(a-x)x = f(a-x)f(x) = (f(a)-f(x))f(x) = (ra_i)_{i \in I} - (x_i)_{i \in I} | x_i = 0$ . But  $ra_i = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $ra_j = r$ . We get  $x_j = r$ , and  $x_i = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Thus  $a = x$ .

Secondly let  $S$  be an orthogonal subset of  $N$  and  $f(a) = \{f(s) \mid \text{for } s \in X\}$ . Since  $S$  is orthogonal,  $f(s)f(t) = 0$  for  $s \neq t$ , where  $s, t \in S$ .

Let  $f(s) = (x_i)$ ,  $f(t) = (y_i)$ . Then  $x_i \neq 0$  implies  $y_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

Let  $v$  be an element of inverse image of  $k_i$  where  $k_i = x_i$  for some  $f(s) = (x_i)$ . We know that  $v$  is  $\text{sup}S$  for  $f(v)f(s) = (f(s))^2$ .

Conversely, if  $R$  is hyperatomic and orthogonally complete we show that  $R$  is isomorphic to the direct product  $\prod N e_i$  where  $\{e_i\}$  is the set of all hyperatom idempotents of  $N$ . By lemma 5 we know that  $N e_i$  is a near-field for all  $i$ . Let  $f$  be a mapping  $f$  defined by  $f(a) = (a e_i)$  from  $R$  into  $\prod N e_i$ . Then this mapping  $f$  is a near-ring homomorphism for  $f(a+b) = ((a+b)e_i) = ((a e_i) + (b e_i)) = f(a) + f(b)$  and similarly  $f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$ . We must show that  $f$  is one to one and onto. At first if  $f(a) = (a e_i) = 0$ , then  $a e_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

But  $\text{sup}(a e_i) = \text{sup}(e_i a) = a$  implies  $a = 0$ . Secondly for arbitrary  $(a, e_i)$  in  $\prod N e_i$ , we let  $a$  be  $\text{sup}_i(a e_i)$  because the set  $\{a e_i\}$  is orthogonal. then we get

$$a e_i \text{sup}(a e_i) e_i = \text{sup}(a e_i e_i) = a e_i$$

Hence  $f(a) = (a e_i) = (a e_i)$  so that  $f$  is onto. The theorem is proved.

To prove the theorem 7 the condition that every hyperatom idempotent of  $N$  is central is essential. But if the the theorem 6 is true for every element  $a$  in  $N$ , then  $\text{sup}(a e_i) e_i = \text{sup}(a e_i e_i)$  even if  $e_i$  is not central. It is question that any other condition instead of centrality satisfies the theorem 6.

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