

# Some Properties of Subideals of Jordan Triple Systems

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**Abstract** : In this article , after giving some suitable concepts and elementary properties of subideals of a Jordan triple system , the authors show that any regular subideal of a Jordan triple system is a regular ideal , and further , any subideal of a regular Jordan triple system is a regular ideal .

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## 1 Preliminaries

Throughout the present paper , we assume  $\phi$  is a commutative ring with 1.

**Definition 1.1** A unital  $\phi$ -module  $T$  together with a trilinear map  $T \times T \times T \rightarrow T$   $(x, y, z) \mapsto \{xyz\}$  is called a **triple system**.

**Definition 1.2** A map of unital  $\phi$ -module  $P : M \rightarrow M'$  is called **quadratic** if

1)  $P(ax) = a^2 P(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  ,  $a \in \phi$  and

2)  $P(x, y) := P(x + y) - P(x) - P(y)$  is linear in  $x$  and  $y$ .

Let  $J$  be a unital  $\phi$ -module and  $P : J \rightarrow \text{End } J$  be a quadratic map. In this case , we call  $(J, P)$  a **quadratic triple system** since  $P$  induces a trilinear composition  $(x, y, z) \mapsto \{xyz\} := P(x, z)y$  and hence  $P$  induces on  $J$  the structure of a triple system. Usually , we omit the adjective “quadratic” and simply call the pair  $(J, P)$  a triple system (Most often we call  $J$  rather than  $(J, P)$  the triple system. ). And further , the map  $P$  induces a bilinear map  $L : J \times J \rightarrow \text{End } J$   $(x, y) \mapsto L(x, y)$  , where  $L(x, y)z = \{xyz\} = P(x, z)y$ .

If  $\Omega$  is a unital commutative associative algebra over  $\phi$  (i. e. , an extension of  $\phi$ ) , we denote  $J_\Omega := \Omega \otimes_\phi J$ . ( $J_\Omega$  is an  $\Omega$ -module ,  $\omega'(\omega \otimes j) = \omega' \omega \otimes j$ .)

**Definition 1.3** The pair  $(J, P)$  is called a **Jordan triple system (Jts)** if

(J. T. 1)  $L(x, y)P(x) = P(x)L(y, x)$  “homotopy formula”

(J. T. 2)  $L(P(x)y, y) = L(x, P(y))x$

(J. T. 3)  $P(P(x)y) = P(x)P(y)P(x)$  “fundamental formula”

hold in  $J$  and all extension  $J_\Omega$ .

**Definition 1.4** If  $J$  is a Jordan triple system over  $\phi$  , a submodule  $A$  of  $J$  is *Jt-subsystem* if  $P(A)A \subseteq A$  ; It is

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a **Jt-ideal** and denoted by  $A \triangleleft J$  or  $J \triangleright A$  if  $P(A)J \subseteq A$ ,  $P(J)A \subseteq A$  and  $\{JJA\} \subseteq A$ . Let  $(J, P)(J', P')$  be triple systems over  $\phi$  a  $\phi$ -linear map  $f: J \rightarrow J'$  is a **homomorphism** from  $J$  to  $J'$  if  $f(P(x)y) = P'(f(x))f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in J$ . **Isomorphism** and **automorphism** are defined in the usual way. As usual,  $A$  is an ideal iff it is the kernel of some homomorphism and the **quotient**  $\bar{J} = J/A$  ( $A$  is an ideal of  $J$ ) together with the induced map  $\bar{P}: \bar{P}(\bar{x})\bar{y} = \overline{P(x)y}$  is a Jts. The usual homomorphism and isomorphism theorems hold.

In the following, we denote by  $J$  a Jordan triple system over  $\phi$ .

**Definition 1.5**  $J$  is called a **simple Jordan triple system** if  $P(J)J \neq 0$  and  $J$  has no proper ideals. An ideal of  $J$  is called **simple** if it itself is a simple triple system.

**Definition 1.6** Let  $A$  be a subsystem of  $J$ , the **derived series** of  $A$  are defined recursively as

$$A^1 = A, \quad A^{2(k+1)-1} = P(A^{2k-1})A^{2k-1},$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$A$  is called **solvable** if  $A^{2k-1} = 0$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the usual homomorphism and isomorphism theorems, we see that if  $A, B$  are solvable ideals of  $J$ , then  $A + B$  is a solvable ideal and if  $J$  is Noetherian, then  $J$  has a unique maximal solvable ideal **RadJ**. The unique maximal solvable ideal  $\text{Rad}J$  is called the **solvable radical** of  $J$ .  $J$  is called **semisimple** if  $\text{Rad}J = 0$ .

**Definition 1.7** Let  $A$  be a subsystem of  $J$ , the **powers** of  $A$  are defined recursively as

$$A^1 = A, \quad A^{2(k+1)-1} = P(A^{2k-1})A + P(A)A^{2k-1} + \{AAA^{2k-1}\},$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

We call  $A$  **nilpotent** if  $A^{2k-1} = 0$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 1.8** A subsystem  $A$  of  $J$  is called a **subideal** of  $J$  if there exists  $n + 1$  subsystems  $A_i$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that  $A = A_0 \triangleleft A_1 \triangleleft A_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A_{n-1} \triangleleft A_n = J$ .

**Remark** we denote " $A$  is a subideal of  $J$ " by either " $A \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ " or " $J \triangleright \triangleright A$ ".

## 2 Main results

For a Jordan triple system  $J$ , we have

**Theorem 2.1** If  $A \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ ,  $B \triangleleft \triangleleft J$  and  $D \triangleleft \triangleleft A \cap J^*$  is an arbitrary subsystem of  $J$ , then

1)  $D \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ .

2)  $(A \cap J^*) \triangleleft \triangleleft J^*$ .

3) If  $A \subseteq J^*$ , then  $\triangleleft \triangleleft J^*$ .

4)  $(A \cap B) \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ .

5) If  $f$  is an epimorphism of  $J$  onto  $J'$ , then  $f(A) = A'$  is a subideal of  $J'$ ; conversely, if  $E'$  is a subideal of  $J'$  and  $E$  is the complete inverse image of  $E'$  under  $f$ , then  $E \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ .

6) If  $J$  is nilpotent, then  $J^* \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ .

7) If  $J$  is the direct sum of its simple ideals, then all subideals of  $J$  are its ideals.

**Proof.** It is trivial to prove this theorem, so we omit it.

By definition 1.8, each ideal of a Jordan triple system is a subideal of it, but it is not necessarily true vice versa. As an example, we consider a special Jordan triple system.

In [5], E. I. Zel'manov defined the structure of a Jordan triple system  $R^{(+)}$  on an associative algebra  $R$  by setting  $P(x)y = xyx$  and called it one of the eight sorts of classical Jordan triple systems.

Let  $M$  be a set of strongly upper triangular matrices  $(a_{ij})_{\lambda \times \lambda}$  ( $a_{ij} = 0$ , if  $i \geq j$ ) over real number field  $R$ . It is

readily seen that  $M$  is an associative  $R$ -algebra with the customary matrix addition, multiplication and scalar operation by elements of  $R$ . We define  $P(X)Y = XYX$  (multiplication of matrices) for all  $X, Y \in M$ . Then  $(M, P)$  is a Jts, denoted by  $M^{(+)}$ .

We notice that in  $M^{(+)}$ ,  $\{XYZ\} = L(X, Y)Z = P(X, Z)Y = P(X + Z)Y - P(X)Y - P(Z)Y = XYZ + ZYX, \forall X, Y, Z \in M^{(+)}$ .

It is easy to prove that  $M$  is a nilpotent associative algebra. In the same way, we can show that  $M^{(+)}$  is a nilpotent Jts and

$$M_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{23} & a_{24} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a_{ij} \in R \right\},$$

is a Jts-subsystem of  $M^{(+)}$ .

By theorem 2.1.6), we have  $M_1 \triangleleft M_1 + M^3 \triangleleft M$ .

Let

$$m_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M_1, m = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M,$$

then  $\{m_1 m m\} \notin \{M_1 M M\}$ .

But

$$\{m_1 m m\} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin M_1.$$

Thus  $M_1$  is a subideal of  $M$ , but  $M_1$  is not an ideal of  $M$ .

By the above-mentioned example, someone may ask: When a subideal of a Jts is its ideal. In Theorem 2.6), 7), we have two results for this questing. In the following, we will give some more conclusions for it.

At first, we introduce a kind of important Jordan triple system, i. e., regular Jordan triple system.

**Definition 2.2**<sup>[1]</sup>  $x \in J$  is called **regular** if  $x = P(x)u$  for some  $u \in J$ ;  $J$  is called a **regular Jts**, if each element in it is regular; a subsystem  $A$  of  $J$  is called **regular** if  $A$  is regular as a Jts; an ideal  $B$  of  $J$  is called **regular** if each element in it is regular.

**Lemma 2.3**<sup>[1]</sup> If  $x \in J$  is regular, then there exists  $y \in J$  such that  $(x, y)$  is a regular pair, i. e.,  $P(x)y = x$ ,  $P(y)x = y$ .

**Lemma 2.4** If  $J$  is a Jts over  $\phi$ ,  $B$  is an ideal of  $J$ , then the following two properties are equivalent:

- 1)  $B$  is a regular Jts-subsystem of  $J$ ;
- 2) Each element in  $B$  is regular in  $J$ .

Proof. 1)  $\Rightarrow$  2) is trivial.

2)  $\Rightarrow$  1) : Let  $x \in B$ . since  $x$  is regular in  $J$ , hence by lemma 2.3, there exists  $y \in J$  such that  $x = P(x)y$ , and  $y = P(y)x$ . Thus we get  $y \in B$ , since  $B$  is an ideal of  $J$ . Therefore  $x$  is regular in  $B$ , i. e.,  $B$  is a regular subsystem of  $J$ . This completes the Proof of the lemma.

**Remark :** By lemma2.4. If  $B(\subseteq J)$  is an ideal of  $J$ , then  $B$  is regular iff  $B$  is a regular subsystem of  $J$ .

**Theorem 2.5** if  $J$  is a Jts over  $\phi$  and  $A$  is a regular subideal of  $J$  (i.e.  $A$  is both a regular subsystem and a subideal of  $J$ ), then  $A$  is a regular ideal of  $J$ .

Proof. Since  $A \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ , we have the following chain of subideals:  $A = A_0 \triangleleft A_1 \triangleleft A_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A_r = J$ .

First, we show that  $A \triangleleft A_2$ . To do so, it suffices to show 1)  $P(A)A_2 \subseteq A$  2)  $\{A_1 A_2 A\} \subseteq A$  3)  $P(A_2)A \subseteq A$ .

Let  $a \in A$ ,  $x, y \in A_2$ . Since  $A$  is regular, we have  $b, c \in A$  such that  $a = P(a)b$  and  $b = P(b)c$ , thus  $a = P(a)P(b)c$ . Then  $P(a)A_2 = P(a)P(b)P(a)A_2 \subseteq P(a)P(b)A_1 \subseteq A$ , since  $A_2$  is an ideal of  $A_1$  and  $A_1$  is an ideal of  $A$ . Hence 1) is true.

To prove 3), we have  $xya = L(x, y)P(a)b = P(\{xyz\}, a)b = P(a)\{yxb\} \in P(A_1, A)A + P(A, A_1) \subseteq A$  for all  $a \in A$ ,  $x, y \in A_2$ .

Finally 2) is true since

$P(x)a = P(x)P(a)P(b)c = P(\{xab\})c + P(P(x)a, P(b)a)c - P(b)P(a)P(x)c - P(x, b)P(a)P(x, b)c \in A$  for all  $a \in A$ ,  $x, y \in A_2$ .

Hence, we get  $A \triangleleft A_2$ .

Thus, the above-mentioned chain of subsystems becomes  $A = A_2 \triangleleft A_3 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A_r = J$ . In the same way, we have  $A \triangleleft A_3$ , then we can get  $A \triangleleft J$  by induction. By Lemma2.4, we see that  $A$  is a regular ideal of  $J$  since  $A$  is a regular subsystem. This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Corollary 2.6** If  $(J, P)$  is a regular Jts over  $\phi$  and  $A$  is a subideal of  $J$ , then  $A$  is a regular ideal of  $J$ .

Proof. By Theorem2.5, it suffices to show that  $A$  is a regular subsystem of  $J$ . In fact, since  $A \triangleleft \triangleleft J$ , we get  $A = A_0 \triangleleft A_1 \triangleleft A_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A_r = J$ . Since  $A_{r-1} \triangleleft J$  and  $J$  is a regular Jts by definition2.2,  $A_{r-1}$  is a regular ideal of  $J$ . Thus by Lemma2.4,  $A_{r-1}$  is a regular subsystem of  $J$ . In the same way, we have that  $A_{r-2}$  is a regular subsystem of  $A_{r-1}$ . Then by induction we get that  $A$  is a regular subsystem of  $A_1$ , i.e.  $A$  is regular as a Jts. Therefore,  $A$  is a regular subsystem of  $J$ . The corollary is proved.

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## Jordan 三系的次理想的几个性质

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**摘 要:** 首先给出了 Jordan 三元系的次理想的定义与 Jordan 三元系的次理想的几条简单性质, 举例说明了次理想与理想是 2 个不同的概念. 然后, 对一类重要的 Jordan 三元系——正则 Jordan 三元系, 证明了它的次理想成为理想的几个充分条件.

**关键词:** Jordan 三元系; 次理想; 正则的

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