

Some Special Structures of δ_1 Near-Rings

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Abstract:

If, in a ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ we ignore the commutativity of '+' and one of the distributive laws, $(N, +, \cdot)$ becomes a Near-Ring. If we do not stipulate the left distributive law, $(N, +, \cdot)$ is a right near-ring. This research aims to introduce the concept of δ_1 Near-Ring. For every x, y in N , $xNy = Nx^2 y^2$ is called δ_1 Near-Ring. The element wise characterization for $[\delta]_1$ Near-Ring will be investigated and shall establish theorems and properties in this Near-Ring.

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1 Introduction

A right near-ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ is an algebraic system with two binary operations such that (i) $(N, +)$ is a group-not necessarily abelian-with 0 as its identity element, (ii) (N, \cdot) is a semigroup [we write xy for $x \cdot y$ for all x, y in N] and (iii) $(x + y)z = xz + yz$ for all x, y, z in N . Because of (iii) $0n = 0$ for all n in N . As we do not stipulate the left distributive law, " $n0 = 0$ " need not hold good for all n in N . We say that N is zero-symmetric if $n0 = 0$ for all n in N . N is called an S -near-ring or an S' -near-ring according as $x \in Nx$ or $x \in xN$ for all $x \in N$. A subgroup M of N is called an N -subgroup if $NM \subset M$ and an invariant N -subgroup if, in addition, $MN \subset M$.

An ideal I of N is called a semi prime ideal if for all ideals J of N , $J^2 \subset I \Rightarrow J \subset I$. If $\{0\}$ is a semiprime ideal, then N is called a semi prime near-ring. An ideal I of N is called completely semi prime if $x \in I$ whenever $x^2 \in I$. N is called a strictly prime near-ring if $\{0\}$ is a strictly prime ideal i.e. if A and B are N -subgroups of N such that $AB = \{0\}$, then either $A = \{0\}$ or $B = \{0\}$. A near-ring N has property P_4 if for all ideals I of N , $xy \in I \Rightarrow yx \in I$. From p.289 of Pilz [3]

The concept of a mate function in N has been introduced in [4] with a view to handle the regularity structure in a near-ring with considerable ease. A map f from N into N is called a mate function for N , if $x = xf(x)x$ for all x in N . $f(x)$ is called a mate of x . A map f from N into N is called a P_3 mate function for N , if $x = xf(x)x$ and $xf(x) = f(x)x$ for all x in N .

Basic concepts and terms used but not defined in this paper can be found in Pilz [3]. Throughout this paper N stands for a near-ring – more precisely a right near-ring – with at least two elements.

As in p.249 Pilz [3], “if N is a near-field then either N is isomorphic to $M_c(Z_2)$ or N is zero-symmetric” (For the concept of $M_c(Z_2)$ one may refer to Example 1.4(a), p.8 and 1.15, p.12 of Pilz [3]. Obviously $M_c(Z_2)$ is a near-field of order 2 and is not zero-symmetric). All the near-fields in this paper are zero-symmetric.

2 Notations

- (i) E denotes the set of all idempotent of N . [e in N is called an idempotent if $e^2 = e$]
- (ii) L denotes the set of all nilpotent of N . [a in N is nilpotent if $a^k = 0$ for some positive integer k .]
- (iii) $N_0 = \{n \in N / n0 = 0\}$ - zero-symmetric part of N .
- (iv). $N_d = \{n \in N / n(x + y) = nx + ny \text{ for all } x, y \text{ in } N\}$ – set of all distributive element of N .
- (v) $C(N) = \{n \in N / nx = xn \text{ for all } x \text{ in } N\}$ - center of N .

3. Preliminary results

We freely make use of the following results from [4], [3] and [2] and designate them as $K(1)$, $K(2)$ etc. (K for ‘known results’).

$K(1)$: If N has a mate function m , then for every $x \in N$, $xf(x), f(x)x \in E$ and $Nx = Nf(x)x$ and $xN = xf(x)N$. (Lemma 3.2 of [4]).

$K(2)$: If $L = \{0\}$ and $N = N_0$ then (i) $xy = 0 \Rightarrow yx = 0$ (for x, y in N) and (ii) N has "Insertion of Factors Property" – IFP for short – i.e. for x, y in N , $xy = 0 \Rightarrow xny = 0$ for all n in N . (In this paper we write that N has $(*, IFP)$ if N has both (i) and (ii)) (Lemma 2.3 of [4]).

$K(3)$: A zero-symmetric near-ring N has IFP if and only if $(0: S)$ is an ideal, where S is any non-empty subset of N . (9.3, p.289 of [3]).

$K(4)$: A near-ring N has no non-zero nilpotent elements if and only if $x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ for all x in N (Prob. 14, p.9 of [2]).

3.1 Definition and Examples

In the section, we introduce the notion of δ_1 Near-Ring and furnish examples to illustrate it. To start with we have the following definition.

Definition 3.1.1

Let N be a right near-ring. If for every x, y in N , $xNy = Nx^2y^2$ then we say N is a δ_1 Near-Ring.

Examples 3.1.2

- (i) Let $(N, +)$ be the Klein’s four group $\{0, a, b, c\}$. The near-ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ where ‘ \cdot ’ is defined as per scheme 12, p.408 of Pilz [33].

\cdot	0	a	b	c

0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	a
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	0	a

is a δ_1 Near-Ring.

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0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	b	a
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	b	a

is a not δ_1 Near-Ring. Since $aNb \neq Na^2b^2$

3.2 Properties of δ_1 near-ring

We shall obtain a complete characterization for δ_1 near-Ring and obtain structure theorem for such near-ring – under certain conditions.

Proposition 3.2.1

Let N be a δ_1 near-ring with identity.

- (i) N is zero symmetric
- (ii) If N has no non-zero nilpotent elements then N is an S-near-ring.
- (iii) If N is an S'-near-ring then N has no non-zero nilpotent elements.

Proof.

(i) Let N be a δ_1 near ring. Then for all x,y in N, $xNy = Nx^2y^2$ (1)

Putting y=1, we get $xN \cdot 1 = Nx^2 \cdot 1$ for all x in N. $\Rightarrow xN = Nx^2$ for all x in N. When $x = 0, 0N = N0 = \{0\}$. It follows that N is zero symmetric.

(ii) Putting y=1 in equation (1), we get $xN = Nx^2$ for all x in N (2).

Now $x^2 \in xN$ for all x in N $\Rightarrow x^2 \in Nx^2$ [By equation (2)]. We have $x^2 = zx^2$ for some z in N. Therefore $(x - zx)x = 0$. By K (2), this implies that $x(x - zx) = 0$ and $zx(x - zx) = 0$.

Consequently $(x - zx)^2 = 0$. By assumption $L = \{0\}$ therefore $x - zx = 0$ forcing $x = zx$. Thus $x \in Nx$ i.e. N is an S-near-ring.

(iii) If N is an S'-near-ring then $x \in xN$ and since $xN = Nx^2$ we get $x = nx^2$ for some $n \in N$. Therefore $x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$. N has no non-zero nilpotent elements, from K (4).

Corollary 3.2.2.

If N is a δ_I -near-ring without non-zero nilpotent elements, then from K (2), we see that N has $(*, \text{IFP})$. It is obvious that the property δ_I is preserved by near-ring homomorphisms. Consequently, we have

Proposition 3.2.3

Any homomorphism image of a δ_I -near-ring is δ_I -near-ring.

Proof

Let $f: N \rightarrow N'$ be a near-ring epimorphism. Let $x', y' \in N'$. Then there exist $x, y \in N$ such that $f(x) = x', f(y) = y'$. Also for $n' \in N'$ there exist $n \in N$ such that $f(n) = n'$.

Since N is δ_I^* near-ring, $xNy = Nx^2y^2 \dots \dots \dots (3)$

Now, $x'n'y' = f(x)f(n)f(y) = f(xny)$ [since f is a homomorphism]
 $= f(nx^2y^2)$ [by Equation (3)] $= f(n)f(x^2)f(y^2)$

Therefore, $x'n'y' \in N'x'^2y'^2$.

Consequently, $x'N'y' \subseteq N'x'^2y'^2 \dots \dots \dots (4)$

Similarly, $N'x'^2y'^2 \subseteq x'N'y' \dots \dots \dots (5)$

Combining Equations (4) and (5), we get $x'N'y' \subseteq N'x'^2y'^2$

Hence N' is also δ_I near-ring and the desired result follows.

As an immediate consequence of Proposition 3.2.3 we have the following theorem:

Theorem 3.2.4

Every δ_I -near-ring N is isomorphic to a subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible δ_I near-Ring.

Proof.

By Theorem 1.62, p.26 of Pilz [3], N is isomorphic to a sub direct product of sub directly irreducible near-ring N_i 's, say, and each N_i is a homomorphic image of N under the projection map π_i . The desired result now follows from Proposition 3.2.3.

We shall now discuss the behavior of N -subgroups and ideals of δ_I nearRing. To start with we have the following:

Proposition 3.2.5.

Let N be a δ_I -near-ring with identity, If N is left bipotent, and then every N -subgroup of N is invariant.

Proof.

Let N be a δ_I near ring with identity. Then for all x, y in N , $xN = Nx^2 \dots \dots \dots (6)$. Let A be any N -subgroup of N , Then $A = \sum_{x \in A} Nx \dots \dots \dots (7)$. Now, $NxN = NNx^2I = Nx^2$ [By equation (6)] $\subseteq Nx$. [Since N is left bipotent] (i.e.) $NxN \subseteq Nx \dots \dots \dots (8)$. Therefore, $AN = (\sum_{x \in A} Nx) N$ [By equation (7)] $\subseteq \sum_{x \in A} NxN \subseteq \sum_{x \in A} Nx$ [By equation (8)] $= A$ (ie.) $AN \subseteq A$. Consequently, A is invariant N -subgroup.

Proposition 3.2.6.

Let N be a δ_I -near-ring. Then every left ideal of N is an ideal.

Proof.

Let A be a left ideal of N . Since N is zero-symmetric, $NA \subseteq A$ i.e. A is an N -subgroup of N . Proceeding as in Proposition 3.2.5 we get $AN \subseteq A$. Hence A becomes an ideal.

It is easy to observe the following:

Corollary 3.2.7

Every left ideal (and therefore every ideal) of a δ_I near-ring N is an invariant N -subgroup of N .

Proposition 3.2.8.

If N is a δ_I -near-ring with identity, then N has strong IFP.

Proof.

Let N be a δ_I -near ring with identity. Then for all x, y in N , $xN = Nx^2$ (9)

In view of Proposition 9.2 Pilz [3], we need only to establish that for all ideals I of N and for all a, b, n in N , $ab \in I \Rightarrow anb \in I$. Since I is an ideal, $IN \subseteq I$ and since N is zero-symmetric, I is an N -subgroup of N . i.e. $NI \subseteq I$. Now $an \in aN = Na^2$ [By equation (9)] $\Rightarrow an = n'a^2$ for some $n' \in N \Rightarrow anb = (n'a^2)b = (n'a)(ab) \in NI \Rightarrow anb \in I$.

Notation 3.2.9

If a δ_I -near-ring N is an S (or S')-near-ring then we write that N is an $S - \delta_I$ -near-ring (or $S' - \delta_I$ -near-ring).

Remark 3.2.10

For an $S - \delta_I$ near-ring, we see that for all x in N , $x \in Nx = x^2 N \Rightarrow x = x^2 n$ for some $n \in N$. Hence $x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ and K (4) demands that $L = \{0\}$.

Proposition 3.2.11.

In a δ_I near-ring, $E \subseteq C(N)$.

Proof.

Let $e \in E$. Since N is δ_I -near-ring, $eNe = Ne^2e^2 = Ne$. Therefore for some n in N , $ene = ue$ and $ne = eve$ for some u, v in N . Now, $ene = e(ue)$ and $e(ne) = eve$. Thus $ene = ne$ for all n in N (10). Also we have $(ene - en)e = 0$. This implies $e(ene - en) = 0$ and $en(ene - en) = 0$. Also $ene(ene - en) = en.0 = 0$ [since N is zero-symmetric]. Now, $ene(ene - en) - en(ene - en) = 0$.

Consequently, $(ene - en)^2 = 0$ and K (4) guarantees $ene - en = 0$. Therefore, $ene = en$ for all n in N (11). From Equations (10) and (11) we get $en = ne$ for all n in N . Thus $E \subseteq C(N)$.

Remark 3.2.12.

It is worth noting that we do not stipulate that N admits mate functions for the validity of the above results.

Proposition 3.2.13.

Let N be a δ_I -near-ring with identity. Then N has a mate function if and only if N is an S' -near-ring.

Proof.

When N has a mate function 'm' for all $x \in N, x = xf(x)x \in xN$ and obviously N is an S' -near-ring. Conversely let N be an S' near-ring. $x \in xN = Nx^2 \Rightarrow x = nx^2$ for some $n \in N \Rightarrow x^2 = xnx^2 \Rightarrow (x - xnx)x = 0$. Using Proposition 3.2.1(iii) and Corollary 3.2.2 we get $x(x - xnx) = 0$ and $xnx(x - xnx) = 0$ and consequently $(x - xnx)^2 = 0$. Since $L = \{0\}$ we get $x - xnx = 0$ i.e. $x = xf(x)x$ where we get $f(x) = n$. This guarantees that $f : N \rightarrow N$ is a mate function for N .

Proposition 3.2.14.

Let N be an S' - δ_I -near-ring. Then N has a P_3 mate function.

Proof.

When N is an S' - δ_I -near-ring it admits a mate function 'f'. From Proposition 3.2.12 we have $x = f(x)x^2 \Rightarrow (xf(x) - f(x)x)x = 0 \Rightarrow (xf(x) - f(x)x)^2 = 0$. [since N has $(*, IFP)$] $xf(x) - f(x)x = 0 \Rightarrow xf(x) = f(x)x$ i.e. $f(x) \in C(x)$ i.e. 'f' is a P_3 mate function.

Proposition 3.2.15.

If N has property δ_I and a mate function 'f' then $L = \{0\}$ and N has $(*, IFP)$.

We now give a complete characterization of δ_I when they admit mate functions.

Theorem 3.2.16.

Let N be a near-ring with a zero symmetric mate function 'f' and left bipotent. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) N is δ_I
- (ii) $E \subseteq C(N)$

Proof. (ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $E \subseteq C(N)$. Now $Nx^2y^2 = Nx^2y^2$ [N is left bipotent] = $(Nf(x)x)y^2$ [By K (1)] = $(f(x)xN)y^2$ [Since $E \subseteq C(N)$] = $xf(x)Ny$ [N is left bipotent] = xNy [By K (1)]. i.e. $Nx^2y^2 = xNy$

Proof of '(i) \Rightarrow (ii)' is similar.

Remark 3.2.17

Let N admit a mate function 'f(x)' and let $E \subseteq C(N)$. It is easy to observe that for every x in $N, x = xf(x)x \Rightarrow x = f(x)x^2$. Consequently Proposition 3.2.16 guarantees that m is a P_3 mate function.

Theorem 3.2.18

Every N -subgroup of N is an ideal in an S' - δ_I -near-ring.

Proof:

Since N is an S' - δ_I -near-ring, it admits a mate function 'f(x)' [from Proposition 3.2.13] and $L = \{0\}$ [from Proposition 3.2.3(iii)]. It is clear from K (2) that N has $(*, IFP)$. Again for any non-empty $S \subseteq N, (0 : S)$ is an ideal of N [by K(3)]. If M is any N -subgroup of N , then $M = \sum_{x \in M} Nx$. We first show that each Nx is an ideal. Let $S = (0 : Nx)$. We claim that $Nx = (0 : S)$. Clearly $Nx \subseteq (0 : S)$ (12) Now if $y \in (0 : S)$ then $yS = \{0\}$. Also $(y - yf(x)x)f(x)x = 0$ (13) $\Rightarrow (y - yf(x)x)Nf(x)x = \{0\} \Rightarrow (y - yf(x)x)Nx = \{0\}$ [using K(1)] $\Rightarrow (y - yf(x)x) \in (0 : Nx) = S$. Since $yS = \{0\}, y(y - yf(x)x) = 0$ (14). Using the fact that N has $(*, IFP)$, it is easy to

get from equations (13) and (14), $(y - yf(x)x)^2 = 0$. Since $L = \{0\}$ we get $(y - yf(x)x) = 0 \Rightarrow y = yf(x)x \Rightarrow y \in Nx$. Therefore $(0 : S) \subset Nx$ (15) From equations (12) and (15) we get $Nx = (0 : S)$ and hence Nx is an ideal. The desired result now follows.

Remarks 3.2.19.

- (a) It is worth noting that in a δ_1 near-ring with mate functions the concepts of N-subgroups, left ideals, right ideals and ideals are equivalent.
- (b) Recall that the nil radical of N is the greatest nil ideal of N. Since $L = \{0\}$, for an S' - δ_1 near-ring N, it follows that the nil radical of $N = \{0\}$.

Proposition 3.2.20

Let N be an S' - δ_1 near-ring. Then any N-subgroup of N is a completely semi prime ideal.

Proof.

Suppose I is an N-subgroup of N. From Theorem 3.2.18 it follows that I is an ideal.

Let $x^2 \in I$. Since N has strong IFP, $xf(x)x \in I$ i.e. $x \in I$. Hence I is a completely semi prime ideal.

Proposition 3.2.21

An S' - δ_1 near-ring has property P_4

Proof.

Let I be an ideal of N and let $xy \in I$.

Now $(yx)^2 = (yx)(yx) = y(xy)x \in NIN \subset I$ [using Remark 3.2.19 (a)] $\Rightarrow (yx)^2 \in I$. Using Proposition 3.2.20 we get $yx \in I$. i.e.). N has property P_4 .

3.3 In this section we obtain a structure theorem for δ_1 near-Ring.

Throughout this section N denotes an S' - δ_1 near-ring and m is a mate function for N.

Theorem 3.3.1. N is sub directly irreducible if and only if N is a near-field.

Proof.

Suppose N is sub directly irreducible. First we claim that no non-zero idempotent of N is a zero-divisor. Let J be the set of all non-zero idempotent which are zero-divisors and let $J \neq \emptyset$. Let $I = \bigcap_{e \in J} (0 : e)$. Since N is subdirectly irreducible, $I \neq \emptyset$. Let $a \in I - \{0\}$. Thus $ae = 0$ for all e in J (16) This $\Rightarrow f(a)ae = 0 \Rightarrow ef(a)a = 0$ [using K (2)] $\Rightarrow f(a)a \in J$. From equation (16) we get $af(a)a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$ (17). This contradiction implies that no non-zero idempotent of N is a zero-divisor. We shall now prove that N has no non-trivial N-Subgroups. Let M be any N-subgroup of N such that $M \neq \{0\}$ and let $x(\neq 0) \in M$. Let N be a δ_1 near ring. Then for all x, y in N, $xNy = Nx^2y^2$. Putting $x = 1$, We get $xN. 1 = Nx^2. 1$ for all x in N. $\Rightarrow Ny = Ny^2$ for all y in N. For any $n \in N$, there exists n_1 in N such that $ny = n_1y^2 \Rightarrow (n - n_1y)y = 0 \Rightarrow (n - n_1y)f(y)y = 0 \Rightarrow n - n_1y = 0$ [by equation 17] $\Rightarrow n = n_1y \in NM \subseteq M$. Therefore $N \subseteq M$ i.e. $M = N$. Thus N has no non-trivial N-subgroups. Clearly for $n \in N - \{0\}$, Nn is an N-subgroup of N. Consequently $Nn = N$ for all $n \in N - \{0\}$ (18). Also, it is clear that $N_d \neq \{0\}$ [since $E \subseteq C(N) \subseteq N_d$]. This and equation (18) guarantee that N is a near-field. [Theorem 8.3, Pilz [3]]

Converse is obvious.

As an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.1, we have the following:

Corollary 3.3.2. N has no non-zero zero-divisors if and only if N is a near-field.

We are now in a position to give a structure theorem for N.

Theorem 3.3.3. N is isomorphic to a sub direct product of near-fields.

Proof. From Theorem 3.2.4, N is isomorphic to a sub direct product of sub directly irreducible δ_j near-ring, N_i 's, say. Obviously the existence of a mate function is preserved under homomorphisms. Hence each N_i admits a mate function. Appealing to Theorem 3.3.1 we get N is isomorphic to a sub direct product of near-fields.

Remark 3.3.4. From 8.11 of [3], the additive group of a near-field is abelian. It follows that for any δ_j near-ring N with mate functions, $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Proposition 3.3.5. Let N be a Boolean near-ring. Then N is δ_j if and only if it is a commutative ring.

Proof. We observe that identity function is a mate function for N . Appealing to Theorem 3.2.16 and Remark 3.3.4 we see that when N is a δ_j near-ring, $N = E \subset C(N)$ and $(N, +)$ is abelian and hence N is a commutative ring. Conversely, N is Boolean and a commutative ring. Then for all x in $N, xn = nx$ for all n in $N \Rightarrow xny = nxy$ for all y in $N, \Rightarrow xNy = Nx^2y^2$ Hence the result.

Proposition 3.3.6. If N is distributively generated and has no non-zero zero-divisors then N is a division ring.

Proof. Corollary 3.3.2 guarantees that N is a near-field. Also $(N, +)$ is abelian [by Remark 3.3.4] Since N is distributively generated, we see that N is a ring [from Theorem 6.6(c) of Pilz [3]] and hence the result.

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