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DETERMINANT SYSTEMS IN A CERTAIN CLASS OF ALGEBRAS

0. Introduction

Let $L(X)$ denote the algebra of all endomorphisms on a linear space X (over the real or complex field of scalars). An operator $B \in L(X)$ is called a reciprocal generalized inverse (or almost inverse, or quasi-inverse) to an operator $A \in L(X)$ if $ABA=A$ and $BAB=B$. This notion plays an especially important part in the theory of linear equations. If B is a reciprocal generalized inverse to A , then the general form of solution of the equation

$$(0.1) \quad AX = x_0$$

where x_0 belongs to the range of A , is

$$x = Bx_0 + x_1$$

where x_1 is an element of Kernel of the operator A .

In the fifties and early sixties R. Sikorski introduced the notion of determinant system $\{D_n\}$ for an operator A . The determinant system for A gives full information of solving the equation (0.1). If we know the determinant system for A , then we can obtain a generalized inverse B of A and therefore we can completely solve the equation (0.1). The Sikorski's and Buraczewski's formulae for solution are generalized version of the well known Cramer formulae from Algebra.

Thus, the main problems which arise in the determinant theory are the following: under what conditions A has a determinant system $\{D_n\}$ and what is the relationship between A

and $\{D_n\}$. The answer is given by the following theorems: A has a determinant system $\{D_n\}$ if and only if A is Fredholm, and then $\{D_n\}$ is determined by A uniquely up to a constant factor different from zero.

The main aim of the theory of determinants in Banach spaces is to give some analytic formulae for determinant systems of operators. We know the analytic formula for a determinant system of an operator of the form $S+T$ where A is Fredholm and T is a quasinuclear (integral) operator.

So far the determinant theory has been applied only in (Banach) algebras of linear (bounded) operators on a linear (Banach) space. The purpose of this paper is to develope the determinant theory for a certain class of algebras over the field K of real or complex numbers in a similar way as in vector space by R. Sikorski and A. Buraczewski.

Definition 0.1. Let A be an algebra with identity and J be any fixed two-sided ideal of A. The element $a \in A$ is calleed a Fredholm element relative to the ideal J iff the coset $a+J$ is invertible in the quotient algebra A/J .

The notions of g-algebra and g-determinant system are defined in § 1 and their fundamental properties are considered. In § 2 we deal with g-total algebras. We prove that every Fredholm element relative to the special ideal S_g has a g-determinant system. In § 3 it is shown that every element in a g-small algebra having a g-determinant system must be Fredholm. Quasinuclei and quasinuclear elements are defined and their properties are considered in § 4.

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1. Definition of the g-determinant system

Definition 1.1. An algebra A over the field K of real or complex scalars is called a g-algebra if there exists an element $g \in A$ such that:

$$1^{\circ} \quad gg = g \neq 0;$$

$$2^{\circ} \quad gxg = \delta_x g, \text{ where } \delta_x \in K \text{ for each } x \in A.$$

The linear functional $F: A \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$F(x) = \delta_x, \quad x \in A$$

is called a g -functional.

Corollary 1.2. If A is a g -algebra and F is a g -functional, then

$$F(x)F(y) = F(xgy)$$

for all $x, y \in A$.

Example 1.3. Let us consider the algebra

$A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} ab \\ 0c \end{bmatrix}; a, b, c \in K \right\}$ with the usual operations of addition and multiplication, and let $g_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. It is easy to see that

A is a g_1 -algebra and a function $F_1: A \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$F_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \right) = a, \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \in A$$

is the g_1 -functional.

Example 1.4. Let now A be the algebra of all bounded functions defined on the closed interval $[0,1]$ with the usual operations. For any fixed $t_0 \in [0,1]$, let us define the function $g_{t_0} \in A$ by the formula:

$$g_{t_0}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t=t_0 \\ 0 & \text{if } t \neq t_0 \end{cases} \quad t \in [0,1].$$

The algebra A is a g_{t_0} -algebra for every fixed $t_0 \in [0,1]$, and

the functional $F_{t_0}: A \rightarrow K$

$$F_{t_0}(x) = x(t_0), \quad x \in A$$

is the g_{t_0} -functional.

Example 1.5. Let Ξ and X be a pair of conjugate linear spaces¹⁾ over the real or complex field K , i.e. there exists a bilinear functional on $\Xi \times X$ whose the value at the point (ξ, x) is denoted by ξx and which satisfies two additional conditions:

- (a) if $\xi x = 0$ for every $\xi \in \Xi$, then $x = 0$;
- (b) if $\xi x = 0$ for every $x \in X$, then $\xi = 0$.

Let us consider the algebra $U = U(\Xi, X)$ of all endomorphisms E on X such that:

- (c) for every fixed $\xi \in \Xi$ there exists an $\eta \in \Xi$ such that $\xi(Ex) = \eta x$ for every $x \in X$.

For fixed $\xi_0 \in \Xi$ and $x_0 \in X$, let $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ denote the one-dimensional endomorphism on X defined by the formula:

$$(x_0 \cdot \xi_0)(x) = (\xi_0 x)x_0 \quad x \in X.$$

If moreover $\xi_0 x_0 = 1$, then the algebra U is the $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -algebra and the $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -functional $F: U \rightarrow K$ is defined by

$$F(E) = \xi_0(Ex_0) \quad E \in U.$$

1.6. In a g -algebra A the following notations will be used:

$$L = Ag; \quad P = gA;$$

$$S_g = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i; \quad x_i, y_i \in A, \quad n \in N \right\};$$

Φ_g - the set of all Fredholm elements of the algebra A with identity relative to the ideal S_g .

Definition 1.7. Let A be a g -algebra. Every infinite sequence D_0, D_1, \dots is called a g -determinant system (with nonnegative index d) for an element $a \in A$ if the following

¹⁾ - see Sikorski [9] and Buraczewski [1].

conditions are satisfied:

(d₀) D_0 is a number if $d=0$, for otherwise D_0 is a d -linear functional on P^d such that for every fixed $p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_d \in P$ ($i=1, \dots, d$) there exists an element $c \in A$ satisfying the following identity

$$D_0(p_1, \dots, p_d) = F(p_i c);$$

(d₁) D_n is a $(2n+d)$ -linear functional on $P^{n+d} \times L^n$ for $n \geq 1$, the value of D_n at the point $(p_1, \dots, p_{n+d}, l_1, \dots, l_n)$ we denote by

$$D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix};$$

(d₂) D_0 is skew symmetric on P^d (if $d > 0$), D_n ($n \geq 1$) is skew symmetric on P^{n+d} and skew symmetric on L^n ;

(d₃) if D_n ($n \geq 1$) is interpreted as a function of p_i and l_j only ($1 \leq i \leq n+d, 1 \leq j \leq n$), then there exists an element $c \in A$ such that

$$D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = F(p_i c l_j);$$

(d₄) there exists an integer $r \geq 0$ such that D_r does not vanish identically;

(d₅) the following identities hold for $n=0, 1, \dots$:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n+1} \begin{pmatrix} p_0^a, p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_0, l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} &= \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i F(p_0 l_i) D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_0, \dots, l_{i-1}, l_{i+1}, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix}; \end{aligned}$$

$$D_{n+1} \begin{pmatrix} p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ a l_0, l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = \\ = \sum_{i=0}^{n+d} (-1)^i F(p_i l_0) D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_0, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Analogously we define the g -determinant system with a negative index. Then the number of l_i is larger than that of p_i . The least integer r , such that D_r does not vanish identically, will be called the order of the g -determinant system, noted by $r(D_n)$. The difference d between the numbers of p_i and l_i in D_n ($n \geq 0$) is called the index of the g -determinant system, denoted by $d(D_n)$.

Remark 1.8. If the sequence (D_n) is a g -determinant system for an element $a \in A$ and $a \neq 0$, then the sequence (αD_n) is also a g -determinant system for a , and the sequence $(\alpha^{-n} D_n)$ is a g -determinant system for the element $\alpha a \in A$.

Remark 1.9. If the sequence (D_n) is a g -determinant system for an element a of g -algebra A with identity and $b \in A$ has the inverse $b^{-1} \in A$, then the sequence (D'_n) defined by

$$D'_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1 b^{-1}, \dots, p_{n+d} b^{-1} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is a g -determinant system for ab . Similarly, the sequence (D''_n) defined by

$$D''_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ b^{-1} l_1, \dots, b^{-1} l_n \end{pmatrix} \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is a g -determinant system for ba .

Example 1.10. Let A be the g_{t_0} -algebra defined in Example 1.4. The sequence (D_n)

$$(1.10.1) \quad D_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_n \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n=0, 2, 3, \dots \\ (p_1 l_1)(t_0) & \text{for } n=1 \end{cases}$$

is a g_{t_0} -determinant system of the element $h \in A$ defined by

$$h(t) = t - t_0 \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

The reader can easily see that the conditions $(d_0) - (d_5)$ are satisfied.

Example 1.11. Let U be an $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -algebra defined in Example 1.5. Then the ideals P and L are of the form

$$P = \{x_0 \cdot \xi; \xi \in E\}, \quad L = \{x \cdot \xi_0; x \in X\}$$

and for $E \in U$

$$F((x_0 \cdot \xi) \circ E \circ (x \cdot \xi_0)) = F((\xi E x)(x_0 \cdot \xi_0)) = \xi E x.$$

If the sequence (W_n) is a determinant system for an operator $E \in U$ in the sense of Buraczewski's definition (see [1]), then the sequence (D_n) defined by the formula

$$D_n \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \cdot \xi_1, \dots, x_0 \cdot \xi_{n+d} \\ x_1 \cdot \xi_0, \dots, x_n \cdot \xi_0 \end{pmatrix} = W_n \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is a $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -determinant system for the element E of the $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -algebra U in the sense of Definition 1.7.

Example 1.12. Now, let A be any g -algebra with identity e . The sequence (θ_n) defined by

$$\theta_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_n \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n=0 \\ \det(F(p_s l_t)) & \text{for } n>0 \end{cases} \quad (1 \leq s, t \leq n),$$

is a g -determinant system for the element e . Indeed, the axioms $(d_0) - (d_2)$, (d_4) and (d_5) of Definition 1.7 are satisfied. The condition (d_3) follows from Lemma 1.13. below

(putting $d=r=0$ and $b_k=e$ for $k=1, \dots, n$).

If an element $a \in A$ has the inverse $a^{-1} \in A$, then the sequence

(θ'_n)

$$\theta'_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_n \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n=0 \\ \det(F(p_s a^{-1} l_t)) & \text{for } n>0 \end{cases} \quad (1 \leq s, t \leq n),$$

is a g-determinant system for a .

Lemma 1.13. Let A be a g-algebra, let π be any permutation of the integers $1, 2, \dots, n+d+r$ ($n, d, r \geq 0$ and $n+d > 0$) and let $l_{n+1}, \dots, l_{n+d+r} \in L$, $p_{n+d+1}, \dots, p_{n+d+r} \in P$, $b_1, \dots, b_{n+d+r} \in A$ be fixed. Then the formula

$$\Psi(p_1, \dots, p_{n+d}, l_1, \dots, l_n) = \prod_{k=1}^{n+d+r} F(p_{\pi(k)} b_{\pi(k)} l_k)$$

defines:

- a) a d -linear functional $\Psi: P^d \rightarrow K$ satisfying condition (d_0) in Definition 1.7 if $n=0$;
- b) a $(2n+d)$ -linear functional $\Psi: P^{n+d} \times L^n \rightarrow K$ satisfying condition (d_3) in Definition 1.7 if $n>0$.

Proof. It is evident that Ψ just defined is a $(2n+d)$ -linear functional. Let $n=0$ and let $p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_d$ ($1 \leq i \leq d$) be fixed. Then by putting

$$c = \left(\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq \pi^{-1}(i)}}^{d+r} F(p_{\pi(k)} b_{\pi(k)} l_k) \right) b_i l_{\pi^{-1}(i)}$$

the relation (d_0) holds true.

Now, let us assume that $n>0$ and let $p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_{n+d} \in P$ ($1 \leq i \leq n+d$) and $l_1, \dots, l_{j-1}, l_{j+1}, \dots, l_n \in L$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$) be fixed. If $i=\pi(j)$, then by putting

$$c = \left(\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^{n+d+r} F(p_{\pi(k)} b_{\pi(k)} l_k) \right) b_i$$

we obtain

$$\Psi(p_1, \dots, p_{n+d}, l_1, \dots, l_n) = F(p_i c l_j)$$

for every $p_i \in P$ and $l_j \in L$. If $i \neq \pi(j)$, then by putting

$$c = \left(\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq \pi^{-1}(i) \\ k \neq j}}^{n+d+r} F(p_{\pi(k)} b_{\pi(k)} l_k) \right) b_i l_{\pi^{-1}(i)} p_{\pi(j)} b_{\pi(j)}$$

and by Corollary 1.2 the relation (d_3) holds true.

2. g-determinant systems in g-total algebras

It follows from Remark 1.8 that a g-determinant system for the element a of a g-algebra A , if it exists, is not uniquely determined by a . Also it follows from Example 1.10 that many different elements may have the same g-determinant system. (Let us observe that the formula (1.10.1) defines a g_{t_0} -determinant system for each element $x \in A$ such that $x(t_0) = 0$).

Therefore we have to restrict ourselves to a smaller class of algebras.

Definition 2.1. A g-algebra A is called a g-total algebra if for each $x_0 \in A$ the following two conditions are satisfied:

- (a) if $gx_0xg = 0$ for every $x \in A$, then $gx_0 = 0$;
- (b) if $gxx_0g = 0$ for every $x \in A$, then $x_0g = 0$.

We will show that every element $a \in \Phi_g$ of any g-total algebra A with identity has a g-determinant system but the inverse theorem does not hold.

Remark 2.2. If a g-algebra A is commutative, then A is a g-total algebra.

Consequently, the algebra from Example 1.4 is g_{t_0} -total.

Remark 2.3. A g-algebra A is a g-total algebra iff the linear spaces P and L are conjugate relative to the bilinear

functional $P \times L \ni (p, l) \rightarrow F(pl) \in K$, (see Example 1.5.)

Remark 2.4. The conditions (a) and (b) in Definition 2.1 are independent. The g_1 -algebra in Example 1.3 does not satisfy condition (a). Indeed, let $x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Then for every $x \in A$ we obtain $g_1 x_0 x g_1 = 0$ with $g_1 x_0 \neq 0$. Observe that the condition (b) in 2.1 is satisfied.

It is easy to verify that the algebra U in Example 1.5 is $x_0 \cdot \xi_0$ -total.

Now, let A be a g -algebra. For any $a \in A$, we will denote by L_a the following operator $L_a: L \rightarrow L$ defined by $L_a(l) = al$. It is evident that $L_a \circ L_b = L_{ab}$ and

$$\lambda_1 L_a + \lambda_2 L_b = L_{\lambda_1 a + \lambda_2 b} \text{ for every } a, b \in A \text{ and } \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in K.$$

If $f = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \in S_g$, then for $x \in L$ we obtain

$$L_f(xg) = f x g = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i x g = \sum_{i=1}^n F(y_i x) x_i g.$$

It means that L_f is a finitely dimensional endomorphism in L for every $f \in S_g$. If, moreover, A is a g -total algebra with identity, then for any $a \in A$ the operator L_a is in the algebra $U = U(P, L)$ (see Remark 2.3 and Example 1.5). If $a \in \Phi_g$, then there exists elements $b_1, b_2 \in A$ and $f_1, f_2 \in S_g$ such that $ab_1 = e - f_1$ and $b_2 a = e - f_2$. Hence, the following identities hold

$$L_a \circ L_{b_1} = I - L_{f_1}, \quad L_{b_2} \circ L_a = I - L_{f_2}.$$

So, it follows from this immediately that L_a is a Fredholm operator. By the theory of Fredholm operators (see [1]) we obtain the following

Corollary 2.5. If A is a g -total algebra with identity and $a \in \Phi_g$, then

$$1^\circ \dim\{l \in L; al=0\} < \infty, \quad \dim\{p \in P; pa=0\} < \infty;$$

2° the codimension of the subspace aL in the space L

is finite, the codimension of the subspace P_a in the P is finite.

For any $a \in A$ let us introduce the following notation

$$Z_L(a) = \{l \in L; al=0\}, \quad Z_P(a) = \{p \in P; pa=0\}.$$

Definition 2.6. Let A be a g -total algebra with identity. The functions

$$\begin{aligned} r: \Phi_g &\longrightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, \quad r(a) = \min(\dim Z_L(a), \dim Z_P(a)); \\ d: \Phi_g &\longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}, \quad d(a) = \dim Z_L(a) - \dim Z_P(a), \end{aligned}$$

are called the order and the index, respectively. The value of order and the index at the point $a \in \Phi_g$ will be called the order and the index of a , respectively.

The index of the Fredholm element $a \in \Phi_g$ is equal to the index of the Fredholm operator $L_a \in U(P, L)$. Hence the following

Corollary 2.7. If A is a g -total algebra with identity and $a, b \in \Phi_g$, $f \in S_g$, then

$$1^\circ \quad d(ab) = d(a) + d(b);$$

$$2^\circ \quad d(a+f) = d(a).$$

Definition 2.8. Let A be an algebra. An element $b \in A$ is called a generalized inverse of $a \in A$ if $aba=a$. If in addition b satisfies the condition $bab=b$, then b is called a reciprocal generalized inverse of a .

Remark 2.9. If $b' \in A$ is a generalized inverse of $a \in A$, then $b = b'ab'$ is a reciprocal generalized inverse of a .

Theorem 2.10. Let A be a g -total algebra with identity e . If $a \in \Phi_g$, then a has a reciprocal generalized inverse $b \in \Phi_g$.

Proof. Let $a \in \Phi_g$. There exist elements $b_1 \in A$ and $f_1 \in S_g$ such that $ab_1=e-f_1$, where $f_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i$. By Corollary 2.5, there exists finitely dimensional subspace L' of L such that $L=aL \oplus L'$. Let $x'_1 g, \dots, x'_k g$ form a basis of L' . For every

$i=1, \dots, n$ there exists an element $x_i'' \in A$ and suitable scalars $\alpha_{i1}, \dots, \alpha_{ik}$ such that

$$x_i''g = ax_i''g + \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_{ij} x_j''g.$$

Putting $b' = b_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i''gy_i$ and $y_j' = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij}y_i$ for $j=1, \dots, k$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ab' &= ab_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n ax_i''gy_i = e - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i''gy_i + \sum_{i=1}^n ax_i''gy_i = \\ &= e - \sum_{i=1}^n (ax_i''g + \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_{ij} x_j''g)y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n ax_i''gy_i = \\ &= e - \sum_{j=1}^k x_j''g \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij}y_i \right) = e - \sum_{j=1}^k x_j''gy_j'. \end{aligned}$$

Then $ab'axg = axg - \sum_{j=1}^k x_j''gy_j'axg$ for every $x \in A$. Hence

$\sum_{j=1}^k F(y_j'axg)x_j''g = a(x-b'ax)g \in aL$ for every $x \in A$. Since $x_j''g \in L'$ for $j=1, \dots, k$ we conclude that $F(y_j'axg) = 0$ for every $x \in A$ and $j=1, \dots, k$ and so $gy_j'a = 0$ ($j=1, \dots, k$). It follows from this that $ab'a = a$ and by Remark 2.9 a has a reciprocal generalized inverse $b \in A$. Evidently, $b \in \Phi_g$.

Lemma 2.11. Let A be a g -total algebra and $a, x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in A$;

1° if x_1g, \dots, x_ng are linearly independent elements and

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i''gy_i \right)a = 0,$$

then $gy_i'a = 0$ for every $i=1, \dots, n$;

2° if gy_1, \dots, gy_n are linearly independent elements and

$$a \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \right) = 0,$$

then $ax_i g = 0$ for every $i=1, \dots, n$.

Proof. Let $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \right) a = 0$. Then for every $x \in A$ we obtain

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i a x g = \sum_{i=1}^n F(y_i a x) x_i g.$$

Since $x_1 g, \dots, x_n g$ are linearly independent it follows that $F(y_i a x) = 0$ for every $x \in A$ and $i=1, \dots, n$. Hence $g y_i a = 0$ for $i=1, \dots, n$. The proof of 2° is analogous.

Definition 2.12. Let A be a g -algebra. A representation

$f = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i$, $x_i, y_i \in A$, of an element f in A is said to be bilinearly independent if both $x_1 g, \dots, x_n g$ and $g y_1, \dots, g y_n$ are linearly independent.

Remark 2.13. Every element $f \in S_g - \{0\}$ of the g -algebra A has a bilinearly independent representation.

In what follows, the notation $f = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i$ means that the elements $x_1 g, \dots, x_n g$ are linearly independent and so are $g y_1, \dots, g y_n$.

Theorem 2.14. Let A be a g -total algebra with identity e and let $b \in A$ be a reciprocal generalized inverse of the element $a \in \Phi_g$. Then

1° there exist elements $f_1, f_2 \in S_g$ such that $ab = e - f_1$ and $ba = e - f_2$;

2° if $f_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i$ and $f_2 = \sum_{i=1}^m z_i g t_i$, then

the elements $g y_1, \dots, g y_n$ form a basis of $Z_p(a)$;

the elements $z_1 g, \dots, z_m g$ form a basis of $Z_L(a)$;

the elements gt_1, \dots, gt_m form a basis of $Z_p(b)$;

the elements x_1g, \dots, x_ng form a basis of $Z_L(b)$;

$$F(y_i x_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n;$$

$F(t_i z_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m$, where δ_{ij} means the Kronecker symbol;

3° if gu_1, \dots, gu_n is a basis of $Z_p(a)$ and v_1g, \dots, v_mg is a basis of $Z_L(a)$, then there exist elements $w_1g, \dots, w_ng, gs_1, \dots, gs_m \in A$ such that

$$ab = e - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i gu_i, \quad ba = e - \sum_{i=1}^m v_i gs_i.$$

Proof. If $a \in \Phi_g$, then there exist elements $f'_1, f'_2 \in S_g$ and $b_1 \in A$ such that $ab_1 = e - f'_1$ and $b_1a = e - f'_2$. Multiplying the equality $aba = a$ by b_1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} b_1 aba &= b_1 a, & abab_1 &= ab_1, \\ (e - f'_2)ba &= e - f'_2, & ab(e - f'_1) &= e - f'_1, \\ ba &= e - f'_2 + f'_2 ba = e - f'_2(e - ba) & ab &= e - f'_1 + abf'_1 = e - (e - ab)f'_1. \end{aligned}$$

Putting $f_2 = f'_2(e - ba) \in S_g$ and $f_1 = (e - ab)f'_1 \in S_g$ we prove 1°.

Now, let $f_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i$ and $f_2 = \sum_{i=1}^m z_i g t_i$. Since

$a = aba = (e - f_1)a = a - f_1a$ so $f_1a = 0$ and hence

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \right) a = 0.$$

By Lemma 2.11 the elements gy_1, \dots, gy_n are in $Z_p(a)$. If an element $p \in Z_p(a)$, then

$$0 = pab = p - \sum_{i=1}^n gpx_i gy_i = p - \sum_{i=1}^n F(px_i) gy_i,$$

and $p = \sum_{i=1}^n F(px_i) gy_i$. Thus gy_1, \dots, gy_n form a basis of the space $Z_p(a)$. To prove that $F(y_i x_j) = \delta_{ij}$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ let

us observe, by Remark 2.3, that for every $i=1, \dots, n$ there exists $p'_i \in P$ such that $F(p'_i x_j) = \delta_{ij}$ for $j=1, \dots, n$. Moreover

$$gp'_i f_1 = gp'_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n x_j gy_j \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n F(p'_i x_j) gy_j = gy_i \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n.$$

On the other hand $(e-f_1)^2 = abab = ab = e-f_1$, hence $f_1^2 = f_1$.

Thus for every $i=1, \dots, n$

$$\begin{aligned} gy_i &= gp'_i f_1 = gp'_i f_1^2 = (gp'_i f_1) f_1 = (gy_i) f_1 = \\ &= (gy_i) \sum_{j=1}^n x_j gy_j = \sum_{j=1}^n F(y_i x_j) gy_j. \end{aligned}$$

Since gy_1, \dots, gy_n are linearly independent, it follows that

$$F(y_i x_j) = \delta_{ij} \text{ for } i, j=1, \dots, n.$$

Now, let $ab = e - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i gy_i$ and let elements gu_1, \dots, gu_n form a basis of the space $Z_p(a)$. Then for every $i=1, \dots, n$ we have

$$gy_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} gu_j$$

for suitable scalars α_{ij} . Both gy_1, \dots, gy_n and gu_1, \dots, gu_n are linearly independent, hence $\det(\alpha_{ij}) \neq 0$ ($i, j=1, \dots, n$). Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} ab &= e - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} gu_j \right) = e - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} x_i gu_j = \\ &= e - \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij} x_i \right) gu_j. \end{aligned}$$

Let us put $w_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij} x_i$ for $j=1, \dots, n$. Since $\det(\alpha_{ij}) \neq 0$,

then elements $w_1 g, \dots, w_n g$ are linearly independent. Thus, we obtain

$$ab = e - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j g u_j.$$

The proof of the second part of 3° is analogous.

Theorem 2.15. Let A be a g -total algebra with identity e . If $a \in \Phi_g$, then

1° a has a g -determinant system;

2° if (D_n) and (D'_n) are g -determinant systems of a , then

a) there exists a scalar $\alpha \neq 0$ such that $(D'_n) = (\alpha D_n)$;

b) $d(D_n) = d(a)$ and $r(D_n) = r(a)$.

Proof. Let us assume that $d(a) = d \geq 0$. The proof in the other case is analogous. Let $r(a) = r$ and let $b \in A$ be a reciprocal generalized inverse of a . Then $\dim Z_L(a) = r+d$, $\dim Z_P(a) = r$ and there exist $x_1 g, \dots, x_r g, z_1 g, \dots, z_{r+d} \in L$,

$gy_1, \dots, gy_r, gt_1, \dots, gt_{r+d} \in P$ such that

$$ab = e - \sum_{i=1}^r x_i gy_i,$$

$$ba = e - \sum_{i=1}^{r+d} z_i gt_i.$$

Put $\theta_n = 1$ if $n=d=r=0$ and

$$(2.15.1)^2) \quad \theta_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} F(p_1 b l_1) \dots F(p_1 b l_n) & F(p_1 z_1) \dots F(p_1 z_{r+d}) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(p_{n+d} b l_1) \dots F(p_{n+d} b l_n) & F(p_{n+d} z_1) \dots F(p_{n+d} z_{r+d}) \\ F(y_1 l_1) \dots F(y_1 l_n) & 0 \dots 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(y_r l_1) \dots F(y_r l_n) & 0 \dots 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

²⁾ The formula (2.15.1) in the case of linear operators is given by Buraczewski [5]

otherwise. We will show that the sequence (θ_n) is a g -determinant system for a . At first, to prove the condition (d_0) of Definition 1.7, let us consider the following cases:

- a) $d=0$ and $r=0$, then $\theta_0=1$;
- b) $d=0$ and $r>0$, then $\theta_0=0$;
- c) $d>0$ and $r>0$, then $\theta_0=0$ and the condition (d_0) is satisfied for $c=0$;
- d) $d>0$ and $r=0$, then

$$\theta_0(p_1, \dots, p_d) = \begin{vmatrix} F(p_1 z_1) & \dots & F(p_1 z_d) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ F(p_d z_1) & \dots & F(p_d z_d) \end{vmatrix}$$

and the condition (d_0) follows from Lemma 1.13a). It is sufficient to put $l_s = z_s$ ($s=1, \dots, d$) and $b_1 = b_2 = \dots = b_d = e$.

It is evident that the conditions (d_1) and (d_2) of Definition 1.7 are satisfied. The condition (d_3) follows from Lemma 1.13b). To show this, it is sufficient to put $p_{n+d+q} = y_q$ ($q=1, \dots, r$), $l_{n+s} = z_s$ ($s=1, \dots, r+d$) and

$$b_{\pi(k)} = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } \pi(k) \leq n+d \text{ and } k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{if } \pi(k) > n+d \text{ and } k > n \\ e & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for any permutation π of the set $\{1, \dots, n+d+r\}$. By Theorem 2.14

$$\theta_r \begin{pmatrix} g t_1, \dots, g t_{r+d} \\ x_1 g, \dots, x_r g \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \begin{vmatrix} F(t_1 bx_1) \dots F(t_1 bx_r) & F(t_1 z_1) \dots F(t_1 z_{r+d}) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(t_{r+d} bx_1) \dots F(t_{r+d} bx_r) & F(t_{r+d} z_1) \dots F(t_{r+d} z_{r+d}) \\ F(y_1 x_1) \dots F(y_1 x_r) & 0 \dots \dots 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(y_r x_1) \dots F(y_r x_r) & 0 \dots \dots 0 \end{vmatrix} = \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 \dots \dots 0 & 1 \dots \dots 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 \dots \dots 0 & 0 \dots \dots 1 \\ 1 \dots \dots 0 & 0 \dots \dots 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 \dots \dots 1 & 0 \dots \dots 0 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence condition (d_4) is satisfied. Applying Theorem 2.14 and basic properties of determinants, we obtain for every $n=0, 1, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta_{n+1} \begin{pmatrix} p_0 a, p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_0, l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} = \\
 = \begin{vmatrix} F(p_0 abl_0) F(p_0 abl_1) \dots F(p_0 abl_n) & F(p_0 az_1) \dots F(p_0 az_{r+d}) \\ F(p_1 bl_0) F(p_1 bl_1) \dots F(p_1 bl_n) & F(p_1 z_1) \dots F(p_1 z_{r+d}) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(p_{n+d} bl_0) F(p_{n+d} bl_1) \dots F(p_{n+d} bl_n) & F(p_{n+d} z_1) \dots F(p_{n+d} z_{r+d}) \\ F(y_1 l_0) F(y_1 l_1) \dots F(y_1 l_n) & 0 \dots \dots 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F(y_r l_0) F(y_r l_1) \dots F(y_r l_n) & 0 \dots \dots 0 \end{vmatrix} =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} F(p_0 l_0) - \sum_{i=1}^r F(p_0 x_i) F(y_i l_0) & F(p_0 l_1) - \sum_{i=1}^r F(p_0 x_i) F(y_i l_1) & \dots \\ F(p_1 b l_0) & F(p_1 b l_1) & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots \\ F(p_{n+d} b l_0) & F(p_{n+d} b l_1) & \dots \\ F(y_1 l_0) & F(y_1 l_1) & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots \\ F(y_r l_0) & F(y_r l_1) & \dots \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \dots F(p_0 l_n) - \sum_{i=1}^r F(p_0 x_i) F(y_i l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots F(p_1 b l_n) & F(p_1 z_1) & \dots & F(p_1 z_{r+d}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \dots F(p_{n+d} b l_n) & F(p_{n+d} z_1) & \dots & F(p_{n+d} z_{r+d}) \\ \dots F(y_1 l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \dots F(y_r l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{vmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} F(p_0 l_0) & F(p_0 l_1) & \dots & F(p_0 l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ F(p_1 b l_0) & F(p_1 b l_1) & \dots & F(p_1 b l_n) & F(p_1 z_1) & \dots & F(p_1 z_{r+d}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ F(p_{n+d} b l_0) & F(p_{n+d} b l_1) & \dots & F(p_{n+d} b l_n) & F(p_{n+d} z_1) & \dots & F(p_{n+d} z_{r+d}) \\ F(y_1 l_0) & F(y_1 l_1) & \dots & F(y_1 l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ F(y_r l_0) & F(y_r l_1) & \dots & F(y_r l_n) & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Expanding the above determinant along the terms of its first row, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{n+1} \left(\begin{array}{c} p_0 a, p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_0, l_1, \dots, l_n \end{array} \right) = \\ = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i F(p_0 l_i) \theta_n \left(\begin{array}{c} p_1, \dots, p_{n+d} \\ l_0, \dots, l_{i-1}, l_{i+1}, \dots, l_n \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the second condition in (d₅) is analogous.

If (D_n) and (D'_n) are g-determinant systems for a ∈ A, then they are determinant systems for the Fredholm operator L_a ∈ U(P, L) in the sense of Buraczewski's definition ([1]). Hence, there exists a scalar α ≠ 0 such that (D'_n) = (αD_n).

One can easily see that d(θ_n) = d and r(θ_n) = r. If (D_n) is a g-determinant system for a, then (D_n) = (αθ_n) for suitable α ≠ 0 and hence d(D_n) = d = d(a), r(D_n) = r = r(a).

Remark 2.16. The inverse theorem is not true. The element h of the g_{t₀}-total algebra A (see Example 1.10) has a g_{t₀}-determinant system defined by (1.10.1) but h ∉ g_{t₀}.

The inverse theorem is true in a smaller class of algebras.

3. g-determinant systems in g-small algebras

Definition 3.1. A g-algebra A is called a g-small algebra if the following condition is satisfied:

$$gxayg = 0 \text{ for every } x, y \in A \text{ if and only if } a=0.$$

The algebra U = U(E, X) (see Example 1.5) is an x₀ · ξ₀-small algebra.

The g_{t₀}-total algebra A in Example 1.4 is not a g_{t₀}-small algebra.

We now show that an element a of a g-small algebra A has a g-determinant system if and only if a ∈ g.

Theorem 3.2. If A is a g-small algebra, then:

1° A is a g-total algebra;

2° A is commutative if and only if $\dim A=1$.

Proof. If $gx_0yg=0$ for every $y \in A$, then $gxgx_0yg=0$ for every $x, y \in A$. Hence $gx_0=0$. The proof of condition (b) of Definition 2.1 is analogous.

If a g-small algebra A is commutative, then L is a onedimensional space and the algebra $\text{End}(L)$ of all linear endomorphisms in L is a onedimensional algebra. It is easy to show that the map $A \ni a \rightarrow \varphi(a) \in \text{End}(L)$ defined by

$$\varphi(a)(l) = al, \quad l \in L$$

is an algebra isomorphism. Hence $\dim A = \dim \text{End}(L) = 1$.

Theorem 3.3. If A is a g-small algebra with identity e, then an element $a \in A$ has a g-determinant system if and only if $a \in \Phi_g$.

Proof. If $a \in \Phi_g$, then a has a g-determinant system by Theorem 2.15. Now, let (D_n) be a g-determinant system for $a \in A$ such that $r(D_n)=r$ and $d(D_n)=d \geq 0$. (If $d < 0$, the proof is analogous). We will consider the following three cases.

a) $r > 0$. Then by condition (d_4) of Definition 1.7, there exist elements $x_1, \dots, x_r \in L$ and $t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \in P$ such that

$$(3.3.1) \quad a = D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

By condition (d_3) of Definition 1.7, there exist elements $y_1, \dots, y_r \in P$ and $z_1, \dots, z_{r+d} \in L$ such that

$$(3.3.2) \quad F(y_i l) = \frac{1}{a} D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, l, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix}$$

for every $l \in L$, and

$$(3.3.3) \quad F(pz_i) = \frac{1}{\alpha} D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, p, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix}$$

for every $p \in P$. It follows from (d_2) that

$$F(y_i x_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad \text{for } i, j = 1, \dots, r,$$

$$F(t_i z_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad \text{for } i, j = 1, \dots, r+d.$$

Thus both y_1, \dots, y_r and z_1, \dots, z_{r+d} are linearly independent. Now, let $b \in A$ be such that

$$(3.3.4) \quad F(pbl) = \frac{1}{\alpha} D_{r+1} \begin{pmatrix} p, t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ 1, x_1, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix}$$

for every $p \in P$ and $l \in L$. (see condition (d_3) of Definition 1.7).

By (d_5) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F(pabl) &= \frac{1}{\alpha} D_{r+1} \begin{pmatrix} pa, t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ 1, x_1, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(F(pl) D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^r (-1)^i F(px_i) D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ 1, x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} \right) = \\ &= F(pl) + \sum_{i=1}^r (-1)^i F(px_i) \frac{1}{\alpha} (-1)^{i-1} D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, 1, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= F(pl) - \sum_{i=1}^r F(px_i) F(y_i l) = F(pl) - \sum_{i=1}^r F(px_i g y_i l) = \\ &= F(p(e - \sum_{i=1}^r x_i g y_i) l) \end{aligned}$$

for every $p \in P$, $l \in L$. It follows from the definition of g -small algebra that

$$(3.3.5) \quad ab = e - \sum_{i=1}^r x_i g y_i.$$

It can be proved in a similar manner that

$$(3.3.6) \quad ba = e - \sum_{i=1}^{r+d} z_i g t_i.$$

Hence, we conclude that $a \in \Phi_g$.

b) $r=0$ and $d>0$. Let $t_1, \dots, t_d \in P$ are fixed elements such that

$$\alpha = D_0(t_1, \dots, t_d) \neq 0.$$

It follows from (d_0) in Definition 1.7 that there exist elements $z_1, \dots, z_d \in L$ such that

$$F(pz_i) = D_0(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, p, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_d)$$

for every $p \in P$. The reader can easily see that for the element $b \in A$ such that

$$F(pbl) = \alpha^{-1} D_1 \begin{pmatrix} p, t_1, \dots, t_d \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad p \in P, \quad l \in L$$

the following identities hold:

$$ab = e;$$

$$ba = e - \sum_{i=1}^d z_i g t_i.$$

It means that $a \in \Phi_g$.

c) $r=0$ and $d=0$. Then D_0 is a number different from zero. By (d_3) there exists an element $b \in A$ such that

$$F(pbl) = D_0^{-1} D_1 \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

for every $p \in P$, $l \in L$. By (d_5) we obtain

$$F(pabl) = D_0^{-1} D_1 \begin{pmatrix} pa \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = D_0^{-1} F(pl) D_0 = F(pel)$$

for every $p \in P$, $l \in L$. Hence $ab=e$. It can be proved in a similar manner that $ba=e$. Thus, $a \in \Phi_g$.

Remark 3.4. If A is a g -small algebra and (D_n) is a g -determinant system for $a \in A$, then the element $b \in A$ defined in the proof of Theorem 3.3 is a reciprocal generalized inverse of a .

Indeed, it is evident for $r=r(D_n)=0$. Let $r=r(D_n)>0$ and let $x_1, \dots, x_r, z_1, \dots, z_{r+d} \in L$, $t_1, \dots, t_{r+d}, y_1, \dots, y_r \in P$ be fixed elements such that (3.3.1), (3.3.2) and (3.3.3) hold. By (d_2) and (d_3) we have

$$F(y_i a l) = \frac{1}{\alpha} D_r \begin{pmatrix} t_1, \dots, t_{r+d} \\ x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, a l, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_r \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

for every $l \in L$ and $i=1, \dots, r$. It means that

$$(3.4.1) \quad y_i a = 0$$

for $i=1, \dots, r$. By (3.3.4) and (d₂) we obtain

$$(3.4.2) \quad b x_i = 0$$

for $i=1, \dots, r$. It follows from (3.3.5), (3.4.1) and (3.4.2) that b is a reciprocal generalized inverse of a .

Remark 3.5. The thesis of Remark 3.4 is not true in a g -total algebra. To this end, let us consider the algebra A in Example 1.4 and the element $a = e - g_{t_0} \in A$. It is evident that a is a reciprocal generalized inverse of a and $a \in \Phi_{g_{t_0}}$. By Theorem 2.15 and (2.15.1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_n \begin{pmatrix} p_1, \dots, p_n \\ l_1, \dots, l_n \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{vmatrix} (p_1 a l_1)(t_0) \dots (p_1 a l_1)(t_0) & (p_1 g_{t_0})(t_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (p_n a l_1)(t_0) \dots (p_n a l_n)(t_0) & (p_n g_{t_0})(t_0) \\ (g_{t_0} l_1)(t_0) \dots (g_{t_0} l_n)(t_0) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & p_1(t_0) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & p_n(t_0) \\ l_1(t_0) & \dots & l_n(t_0) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n=0, 2, 3, \dots \\ -(l_1 p_1)(t_0) & \text{for } n=1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

so that the sequence (θ_n) is a g_{t_0} -determinant system for a .

The element $b \in A$ defined by

$$b(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t=t_0 \\ t+3 & \text{for } t \neq t_0 \end{cases} \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

satisfies the following condition:

$$F(pbl) = 0 = \frac{\theta_2 \begin{pmatrix} p, g_{t_0} \\ l, g_{t_0} \end{pmatrix}}{\theta_1 \begin{pmatrix} g_{t_0} \\ g_{t_0} \end{pmatrix}} \quad p \in P, \quad l \in L$$

but it is not a generalized inverse of a .

Let A be a g -algebra. The set

$$A_0 = \left\{ a \in A; \bigwedge_{x, y \in A} gxayg = 0 \right\}$$

is an ideal of A .

Definition 3.6. The ideal A_0 of a g -algebra A is called the ideal of zeros of A .

Theorem 3.7. If A is a g -algebra, then the quotient algebra A/A_0 (where A_0 is the ideal of zeros) is a $[g]$ -small algebra and the function $\bar{F}: A/A_0 \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$\bar{F}([x]) = F(x) \quad x \in A$$

is a $[g]$ -functional.

Proof. First, we will show the function \bar{F} is well defined. Let $x_0 \in [x]$, then there exists $b_0 \in A_0$ such that $x_0 = x + b_0$. Hence

$$\bar{F}(x_0) = F(x_0) = F(x + b_0) = F(x) = F([x]).$$

Let us observe that $[g] \cdot [g] = [g] * A_0$ and

$$[g][x][g] = [gxg] = [F(x)g] = F(x)[g] = \bar{F}([x])[g]$$

for every coset $[x] \in A/A_0$. Hence A/A_0 is a $[g]$ -algebra and \bar{F} is a $[g]$ -functional.

Finally, suppose that an element $[a] \in A/A_0$ satisfies the equality

$$[g][x][a][y][g] = A_0$$

for every $[x], [y] \in A/A_0$. Then $F(xay)[g] = A_0$ for every $x, y \in A$. Thus $gxayg = F(xay)g = 0$ for $x, y \in A$. Hence $a \in A_0$ and $[a]$ is the

zero of algebra A/A_0 .

Theorem 3.8. If a g -algebra (g -total, g -small algebra) A has no identity, then the algebra $\tilde{A} = A \oplus \{\lambda e\}$ is a g -algebra (g -total, g -small algebra respectively) and the function $\tilde{F}: \tilde{A} \rightarrow K$

$$\tilde{F}(x+\lambda e) = F(x) + \lambda \quad x \in A, \lambda \in K$$

is a g -functional on the algebra \tilde{A} .

Proof. Let $x+\lambda e \in \tilde{A}$, then

$$g(x+\lambda e)g = gxg + \lambda g = F(x)g + \lambda g = (F(x) + \lambda)g.$$

If A is a g -total algebra and

$$g(x_0 + \lambda_0 e)g = 0$$

for every $x+\lambda e \in \tilde{A}$, then

$$g(x_0 + \lambda_0 e)xg = 0$$

for $x \in A$. Hence, $g(x_0 + \lambda_0 e) = 0$. The proof of (b) in Definition 2.1 is analogous.

Finally, let us suppose that A is a g -small algebra. If

$$g(x+\lambda_1 e)(a+\lambda_2 e)(y+\lambda_3 e)g = 0$$

for every $x+\lambda_1 e, y+\lambda_3 e \in \tilde{A}$, then $gx(a+\lambda e)yg = 0$ for every $x, y \in A$. Hence

$$(3.8.1) \quad gxayg = -\lambda gxyg.$$

If $\lambda=0$, then $a=0$ and $a+\lambda e=0$. Let $\lambda \neq 0$. We will show that the element $-\frac{1}{\lambda}a$ is the identity of the algebra A . Indeed, let $b \in A$. By (3.8.1) we obtain

$$gx(-\frac{1}{\lambda}ab)yg = -\frac{1}{\lambda}gxa(by)g = -\frac{1}{\lambda}(-\lambda)gx(by)g = gxbyg$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Hence $(-\frac{1}{\lambda}a)b=b$. The proof that $b(-\frac{1}{\lambda}a)=b$ is analogous.

4. The algebra of quasinuclei

Definition 4.1. Let A be a g -algebra. A linear functional $\xi \in A$ is called a quasinucleus relative to the ideals S_g if there exists an element $q \in A$ such that

$$(4.1.1) \quad \xi(xgy) = F(ygx)$$

for every $x, y \in A$. The element $q \in A$ defined in this way is called a quasinuclear element relative to the ideal S_g .

We will denote by $Q_F(Q_g)$ the set of all quasinuclei (quasinuclear elements respectively) relative to the ideal S_g .

It follows from Corollary 1.2 that

$$F(xgy) = F(x)(Fy) = F(y)F(x) = F(ygx)$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Hence $F \in Q_F$ and $g \in Q_g$.

Example 4.2. The set M of all infinite square matrices $a = (a_{ij})$ satisfying the condition

$$\sup_i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |a_{ij}| < \infty$$

with the usual operations is an algebra over the field K . For a fixed natural m , let us denote by g the matrix $(g_{ij}) \in M$ such that

$$g_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i=j=m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then M is a g -small algebra and the g -functional F is defined by $F((a_{ij})) = a_{mm}$. Every $q = (q_{ij}) \in M$ such that

$$(4.2.1) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sup_i |q_{ij}| < \infty$$

is quasinuclear. Every functional $\xi \in M'$

$$\xi((a_{ij})) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{\infty} q_{ij} a_{ji} \quad (a_{ij}) \in M,$$

where the matrix (q_{ij}) satisfies (4.2.1), is a quasinucleus.

The matrix $a = (a_{ij}) \in M$ such that

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i > r \geq 0 \text{ and } j - i = d \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is a Fredholm element relative to the ideal S_g with $d(a) = d$ and $r(a) = r$.

Theorem 4.3. If A is a g -small algebra, then

1° $S_g \subset Q_g$;

2° Q_F and Q_g are subspaces of the linear spaces A' and A respectively;

3° the function $k: Q_F \rightarrow Q_g$ defined at $\xi \in Q_F$ by

$$(4.3.1) \quad \xi(xgy) = F(yk(\xi)x) \quad x, y \in A$$

is well-defined and it is a linear homomorphism.

Proof. Suppose $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \in S_g$. Then the function $\xi: A \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$\xi(x) = F\left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i x x_i\right)$$

for $x \in A$ is a linear functional such that

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(xgy) &= F\left(\sum_{i=1}^n g_i xgyx_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n F(y_i xgyx_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n F(yx_i g y_i x) = \\ &= F\left(y\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i\right)x\right). \end{aligned}$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Hence $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i g y_i \in Q_g$.

Suppose now that for $\xi \in Q_F$ there exist $q_1, q_2 \in A$ such that

$$F(yq_1 x) = \xi(xgy) = F(yq_2 x)$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Since A is a g -small algebra so $q_1 = q_2$ and therefore k is well-defined.

If $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in Q_F$ and $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in K$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda_1 \xi_1 + \lambda_2 \xi_2)(xgy) &= \lambda_1 \xi_1(xgy) + \lambda_2 \xi_2(xgy) = \lambda_1 F(yk(\xi_1)x) + \\ &+ \lambda_2 F(yk(\xi_2)x) = F(y(\lambda_1 k(\xi_1) + \lambda_2 k(\xi_2))x) \end{aligned}$$

for every $x, y \in A$. This means that Q_F is a subspace of A' and k is a linear homomorphism. Hence $Q_g = k(Q_F)$ is a subspace of A .

Definition 4.4. Let A be a g -small algebra. The linear homomorphism $k: Q_F \rightarrow Q_g$ defined by (4.3.1) is called a natural homomorphism.

Let $a \in A$ and $\xi \in A'$. We denote by ξa and $a\xi$ the linear

functionals defined on A by

$$(\xi a)(x) = \xi(ax),$$

$$(a\xi)(x) = \xi(xa), \quad x \in A.$$

Theorem 4.5. If A is a g -small algebra, then

1° Q_g is an ideal of the algebra A ;

2° each of the following formulae

$$\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2 = \xi_1 k(\xi_2),$$

$$\xi_1 \triangleleft \xi_2 = k(\xi_1) \xi_2, \quad \xi_1, \xi_2 \in Q_F,$$

defines multiplication \triangleright and \triangleleft on the set Q_F respectively;

3° the linear space Q_F is an F -algebra with multiplication \triangleright and \triangleleft ;

4° the natural homomorphism $k: Q_F \rightarrow Q_g$ is an algebra homomorphism and the ideal of zeros of the F -algebra Q_F is the kernel of k .

Proof. If $a \in A$ and $q = k(\xi) \in Q_g$, then

$$(\xi a)(xgy) = \xi(axgy) = F(yqax),$$

$$(a\xi)(xgy) = \xi(xgya) = F(yaqx)$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Hence Q_g is an ideal of the algebra A .

Let $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in Q_F$, then

$$(\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2)(xgy) = \xi_1(k(\xi_2)xgy) = F(yk(\xi_1)k(\xi_2)x)$$

for every $x, y \in A$. Thus, the multiplication \triangleright is well-defined and $k(\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2) = k(\xi_1)k(\xi_2)$. Similarly we show that \triangleleft is also multiplication on Q_F and $k(\xi_1 \triangleleft \xi_2) = k(\xi_1)k(\xi_2)$.

Now we shall show that the linear space Q_F is an F -algebra with multiplication \triangleright . Let $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3 \in Q_F$. Then

$$((\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2) \triangleright \xi_3)(x) = (\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2)(k(\xi_3)x) = \xi_1(k(\xi_2)(k(\xi_3)x)) = \\ = \xi_1((k(\xi_2)k(\xi_3))x) = \xi_1(k(\xi_2 \triangleright \xi_3)x) = (\xi_1 \triangleright (\xi_2 \triangleright \xi_3))(x)$$

for every $x \in A$. It proves the associativity of \triangleright . Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\xi_1 \triangleright (\xi_2 + \xi_3))(x) &= \xi_1(k(\xi_2 + \xi_3)x) = \xi_1(k(\xi_2)x + k(\xi_3)x) = \\
 &= \xi_1(k(\xi_2)x) + \xi_1(k(\xi_3)x) = (\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2)(x) + (\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_3)(x) = \\
 &= (\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2 + \xi_1 \triangleright \xi_3)(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $x \in A$. In a similar way we can show that

$$(\xi_1 + \xi_2) \triangleright \xi_3 = \xi_1 \triangleright \xi_3 + \xi_2 \triangleright \xi_3.$$

If $\lambda \in K$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((\lambda \xi_1) \triangleright \xi_2)(x) &= (\lambda \xi_1)(k(\xi_2)x) = \lambda \xi_1(k(\xi_2)x) = \lambda(\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2)(x) = \\
 &= (\lambda(\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2))(x) \text{ for every } x \in A. \text{ Further, it is evident that} \\
 &\xi_1 \triangleright (\lambda \xi_2) = \lambda(\xi_1 \triangleright \xi_2). \text{ Also } (F \triangleright F)(x) = F(gx) = F(x) \text{ for} \\
 &x \in A, \text{ which shows that } F \triangleright F = F. \text{ Moreover, if } \xi \in Q_F, \text{ then by} \\
 &\text{Corollary 1.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (F \triangleright \xi \triangleright F)(x) &= F(k(\xi \triangleright F)x) = F(k(\xi)gx) = F(k(\xi))F(x) = \\
 &= F(gk(\xi)g)F(x) = \xi(ggg)F(x) = \xi(g)F(x) = \\
 &= (\xi(g)F)(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $x \in A$. Hence $F \triangleright \xi \triangleright F = \xi(g)F$ i.e. the algebra Q_F is an F -algebra and the map $\xi \rightarrow \xi(g)$ is an F -functional.

The proof in the case of \triangleleft is analogous.

Finally, we shall prove that the ideal of zeros of the algebra Q_F is the kernel of k . Indeed, if $k(\xi_0) = 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (F \triangleright \xi \triangleright \xi_0 \triangleright \eta \triangleright F)(x) &= F(k(\xi \triangleright \xi_0 \triangleright \eta \triangleright F)x) = \\
 &= F(k(\xi)k(\xi_0)k(\eta)gx) = F(0) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $x \in A$ and $\xi, \eta \in Q_F$. Hence ξ_0 belongs to the ideal of zeros of the F -algebra Q_F . Suppose now that $F \triangleright \xi \triangleright \xi_0 \triangleright \eta \triangleright F = 0$ for every $\xi, \eta \in Q_F$. Then $gk(\xi)k(\xi_0)k(\eta)g = 0$ and $gxk(\xi_0)yg = 0$ for every $x, y \in Q_F$. Since $L \subset Q_F$, $P \subset Q_F$ and A is a g -small algebra, so $k(\xi_0) = 0$.

The proof of the case with the multiplication \triangleright is analogous.

The following corollary is a direct consequence of Theorems 4.5 and 3.7.

Corollary 4.6. If A is a g -small algebra, then the quotient algebra Q_F/k_{erk} is an $[F]$ -small algebra.

Theorem 4.7. Let A be a g -algebra without identity. If $\xi \in Q_F$, then the functional $\tilde{\xi}: \tilde{A} = A \oplus \{\lambda e\} \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$\tilde{\xi}(x + \lambda e) = \xi(x) + \lambda$$

is a quasinucleus relative to the ideal S_g of the g -algebra \tilde{A} . If $q \in Q_g \subset A$ then q is a quasinuclear element relative to the ideal $S_g \subset \tilde{A}$. The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.7.

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