

Embeddable Near-Rings

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Abstract: In this paper we study subdirectly irreducible Boolean near-rings. First we present subdirect product of family of near-rings, subdirectly irreducible near-rings, theorem relating to that each near-ring N is isomorphic to subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings, distributive elements in near-ring, anti-distributive elements in near-ring, distributively generated near-ring. Then we study Boolean near-ring with left identity, a Boolean near-ring possess IFP, results relating to distributively generated Boolean near-rings, subdirectly irreducible distributively generated Boolean near-rings and interesting theorems like (i). Every distributively generated Boolean near-ring N is a Boolean ring, (ii). Every distributive idempotent is central, (iii). A Boolean near-ring which has multiplicative identity has all elements central, (iv). A non-trivial Boolean near-ring N contains a family of completely prime ideals with trivial intersection, (v) Boolean near-ring with identity whose every non-trivial homomorphic image contains a non-zero idempotent is additively commutative, (vi). A distributively generated Boolean near-ring N is a commutative ring, (vii). Every Boolean near-ring with identity is a Boolean ring.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Definition: A non-empty set N is said to be a near-ring if in N there are defined two operations, denoted by $+$ and \cdot respectively such that for all n, n_1, n_2, n_3 in N :

- (1). $n_1 + n_2$ is in N .
- (2). $(n_1 + n_2) + n_3 = n_1 + (n_2 + n_3)$.
- (3). There is an element 0 in N such that $n + 0 = 0 + n = n$.
- (4). There exists an element $-n$ in N such that $n + (-n) = 0 = (-n) + n$.
- (5). $n_1 \cdot n_2$ is in N .
- (6). $(n_1 \cdot n_2) \cdot n_3 = n_1 \cdot (n_2 \cdot n_3)$.
- (7). $(n_1 + n_2) \cdot n_3 = n_1 \cdot n_3 + n_2 \cdot n_3$ (right distributive law).

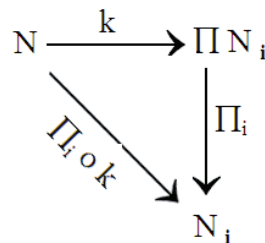
1.2 Definition: Suppose $(N, +, \cdot)$ is a near-ring. If $(N, +)$ is abelian we call N an abelian near-ring. If (N, \cdot) is commutative we call N a commutative near-ring. If $N = N_d$, N is said to be distributive. N is integral if N has no non-zero, zero-divisors. A near-ring which is not a ring will be called as a non-ring. If $N^* = N - \{0\}$ is a group, N is called a near-field. A near-ring with the property that N_d generates $(N, +)$ is called a distributively generated near-ring (dgnr).

1.3 Definition : Suppose $\{N_i / i \in I\}$ is a family of near-rings. The cartesian product $\prod_{i \in I} N_i$ with the component wise operations $+$ and \cdot is a near-ring.

It is denoted by $\prod_{i \in I}^{\pi} N_i$ and is called direct product of the near-rings $\{ N_i / i \in I \}$.

1.4 Definition: The sub near-ring of N_i consisting of those elements with all components equal to zero except finite number of components is called the direct sum of $\{ N_i / i \in I \}$ and is denoted by $\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i$.

1.5 Definition: Suppose $\{ N_i / i \in I \}$ is a family of near-rings. We call a near-ring N a subdirect product of $\{ N_i / i \in I \}$ if there exists a monomorphism $k : N \rightarrow \prod N_i$ such that $k_i = \prod_i \circ k$ is surjective on N_i where $\prod_i : \prod N_i \rightarrow N_i$ is an epimorphism. i.e $\prod_i \circ k$ is surjective.



1.6 Definition : A non-zero near-ring N is subdirectly irreducible iff the intersection of all non-zero ideals of N is non-zero.

1.7 Theorem: If $\{ I_k / k \in K \}$ is a family of ideals of a near-ring N , then $\bigcup_{k \in K} I_k$ is an ideal moreover if $\{ I_k / k \in K \}$ is directed, then $\bigcup_{k \in K} I_k$ is an ideal.

1.8 Theorem: Let a, b be distinct elements of a near-ring $\bigcap_{k \in K} N$ and let $D(a, b)$ be the set of all ideals I of N such that $a - b \notin I$. Then $D(a, b) \neq \emptyset$ and contains a maximal element.

1.9 Theorem: Let I be an ideal of a near-ring N and a, b be distinct elements such that $a - b \notin I$. Then the set of all ideals $J \supseteq I$ and $a - b \notin J$ contains a maximal element.

1.10 Theorem : Any proper ideal in a near-ring $N \neq 0$ is contained in a maximal ideal.

Main Theorems

2.1 Theorem: Suppose $\{ K_i / i \in I \}$ is a family of ideals of a near-ring N such that $\bigcap_{k \in K} K_i = \{ 0 \}$ then N is a subdirect product of family of sub near-rings $\{ N_i / i \in I \}$ where $N_i = N / K_i$.

2.2 Theorem: Each near-ring N is isomorphic to subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings.

Proof. Assume that N contains more than one element. For every $a, b \in N, a \neq b$ there is a maximal ideal $M(a, b) \ni a - b \notin M(a, b)$.

Then $N / M(a, b)$ is subdirectly irreducible.

And $\bigcap M(a, b) \neq \{0\}$.

For suppose $\bigcap M(a, b) = \{0\} \Rightarrow \exists$ a non zero element $a \in \bigcap M(a, b)$

$\Rightarrow a \in M(a, 0)$

$\Rightarrow a - 0 \in M(a, 0)$. It is a contradiction.

$\therefore \bigcap M(a, b) = \{0\}$.

Since $\bigcap M(a, b) = \{0\}$ and $N / M(a, b)$ is subdirectly irreducible then N is a subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings $N / M(a, b)$.

2.3 Definition : An element a of a near-ring N is distributive if $a(b + c) = ab + ac \forall b, c \in N$. An element b of a near-ring N is said to be anti-distributive if $b(c + d) = bd + bc \forall c, d \in N$.

2.4 Definition: A near-ring N is said to be distributively generated if $(N, +)$ is generated by a subset of distributive elements of N .

2.5 Note: It follows that an element a is distributive iff $-a$ is anti-distributive. In particular, any element of a distributively generated near-ring is a finite sum of distributive and anti-distributive elements.

2.6 Definition : A near-ring N is Boolean if $\forall x \in N, x^2 = x, 2x = 0$.

2.7 Example : $N = \{ a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5 \}$ is an additive group (not necessarily abelian) where $+$ is defined by the following table

$+$	a_0	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5
a_0	a_0	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5
a_1	a_1	a_0	a_5	a_3	a_4	a_2
a_2	a_2	a_3	a_3	a_0	a_5	a_1
a_3	a_3	a_5	a_0	a_2	a_1	a_3
a_4	a_4	a_2	a_1	a_5	a_0	a_3
a_5	a_5	a_3	a_3	a_1	a_2	a_0

and define \bullet on N as follows

$x \bullet y = x \forall x, y \in N$. then $(N, +, \bullet)$ is a Boolean near-ring which is not a ring.

2.8 Theorem : A Boolean near-ring with left identity is zero-symmetric.

Proof. Let $e, x \in N$ where e is left identity.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (e + x0)^2 = e + 2x0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e + x0 = e + 2x0 \\
 & = e \\
 \therefore & \quad x0 = 0 \quad \forall x \in N. \\
 \therefore & \quad N \text{ is zero-symmetric near-ring.}
 \end{aligned}$$

2.9 Lemma : A Boolean near-ring N is IFP near-ring i.e $ab = 0 \Rightarrow ba = 0$ and $anb = 0 \forall n \in N$.

Proof : Every Boolean near-ring has no non-zero nilpotent elements

i.e $a^n = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \quad \forall a \in N$.

Let a, b \in N and $ab = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ba)^2 &= (ba)(ba) = b(ab)a = b0a \\
 &= b0 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (ba)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow ba = 0.$$

Let $n \in N$. And consider anb

$$(anb)^2 = (anb)(anb) = (an)ba(nb) = (an)0(nb) = 0$$

$$\therefore (anb)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow anb = 0.$$

$$\therefore ab = 0 \Rightarrow anb = 0 \quad \forall n \in N.$$

Every Boolean near-ring is an IFP near-ring.

2.10 Theorem: Let N be a distributively generated Boolean near-ring and let x, y, z, w be elements in N such that x, y are distributive, z is anti-distributive and w is any element in N. Then the following statements hold good.

- (i) $x + x = 0$
- (ii) $xy = yx$
- (iii) $xz = zx$
- (iv) $xw = wx$
- (v) $A_x = \{ n \in N / nx = 0 \}$ is an ideal of N.
- (vi) If $A_x = \{0\}$, then x is an identity and (N, +) is abelian.

Proof: (i) $(x + x)^2 = (x+x)(x+x)$
 $= x(x+x) + x(x+x)$
 $= xx + xx + xx + xx$
 $= x^2 + x^2 + x^2 + x^2$
 $= x + x + x + x$

$$\therefore x + x = x + x + x + x$$

$$\Rightarrow x + x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x = x$$

(ii) Since x, y are distributive xy is also distributive.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x + y)^2 &= (x+y)(x+y) &= x(x+y) + y(x+y) \\
 &= x^2 + xy + yx + y^2 &= x + xy + yx + y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x + y = x + xy + yx + y$$

$$\therefore xy + yx = 0$$

$$\therefore yx = -(xy) = xy \quad \text{since } xy \text{ is distributive.}$$

$\therefore yx = xy$
 (iii) Since z is anti distributive, $-z$ is distributive then $x(-z) = (-z)x$.
 Since x is distributive $x(-z) = -(xz)$.
 Since $x(-z) = (-z)x$
 $\Rightarrow -(xz) = -(zx) \Rightarrow xz = zx$
 (iv) Since every element of distributively generated near-ring is a finite sum of distributive and anti-distributive elements then
 $w = w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n$, then by (ii) and (iii) we have
 $xw = x(w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n) = xw_1 + xw_2 + \dots + xw_n$
 $= w_1x + w_2x + \dots + w_nx = (w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n)x$
 $= wx$
 $\therefore xw = wx$
 (v) $A_x = \{ n \in N / nx = 0 \}$
 Let $n_1, n_2 \in A_x \Rightarrow n_1x = 0, n_2x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow n_1x - n_2x = 0 \Rightarrow (n_1 - n_2)x = 0$
 $\therefore (n_1 - n_2)x \in A_x$
 Let $n^1 \in N, n \in A_x$
 $(n^1 + n - n^1)x = n^1x + nx - n^1x = n^1x + 0 - n^1x$
 $= n^1x - n^1x = 0$
 $\therefore n^1 + n - n^1 \in A_x$
 $\therefore A_x$ is a normal subgroup of N .
 Let $n \in A_x, n^1 \in N$,
 $(n n^1)x = n(n^1x) = n(x n^1) = (nx) n^1$
 $= 0 n^1 = 0$
 $\therefore n n^1 \in A_x$.
 Let $n_1, n_2 \in N$ and $n \in A_x$
 $(n_1(n_2 + n) - n_1 n_2)x = n_1(n_2 + n)x - (n_1 n_2)x = n_1(n_2x + nx) -$
 $(n_1 n_2)x = n_1(n_2x) - (n_1 n_2)x = (n_1 n_2)x - (n_1 n_2)x = 0$
 $\therefore n_1(n_2 + n) - n_1 n_2 \in A_x. \therefore A_x$ is an ideal in N .
 (vi) Suppose $A_x = \{0\}$
 Claim : x is an identity.
 Suppose x is not a right identity $\Rightarrow \exists y \in N \ni y \neq 0, yx \neq y$
 But $(yx - y)x = 0 \Rightarrow yx - y \in A_x$.
 $\Rightarrow A_x \neq \{0\}$, it is a contradiction. $\therefore x$ is a right identity.
 $\therefore x$ is a two sided identity.
 Suppose $n \in N$
 $n + n = xn + xn = (x + x)n = 0n = 0$
 $\therefore n + n = 0$.
 \therefore Every element of N is of order 2. $\therefore (N, +)$ is abelian.
 For : Let $n, n^1 \in N$
 $(n + n^1) + (n^1 + n) = 0 \Rightarrow n + n^1 = -(n^1 + n) = n^1 + n$.
 $\therefore n + n^1 = n^1 + n$.

2.11 Theorem : If N is a subdirectly irreducible distributively generated Boolean near-ring then N is a Boolean near-ring with an identity.

Proof: Suppose for every distributive element x in N , $A_x \neq \{0\}$. Since N is subdirectly irreducible $\bigcap_{x \in N} A_x = A \neq \{0\}$.

Let $w \in A$ and $w \neq 0 \Rightarrow wx = 0$ for each distributive element x in N .
 Since $xw = wx = 0 \Rightarrow wz = 0$ if z is anti-distributive element.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y \in N, \quad yw &= (y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n)w \\ &= y_1w + y_2w + \dots + y_nw = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A_w = N$. $w = ww = 0$, it is a contradiction.

\therefore There exists a distributive element $x \in A_x = \{0\}$.

By above 2.11 theorem x is an identity and $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Let $n, n_1 \in N$. Since N is distributively generated

$$n = w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_k, n_1 = v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_r,$$

where w_i, v_j are distributive and anti-distributive elements.

$$\begin{aligned} n n_1 &= (w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_k) n_1 \\ &= w_1 n_1 + w_2 n_1 + \dots + w_k n_1 \\ &= w_1(v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_r) + w_2(v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_r) + \dots + w_k(v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_r) \\ &= (w_1 v_1 + w_1 v_2 + \dots + w_1 v_r) + (w_2 v_1 + w_2 v_2 + \dots + w_2 v_r) + \dots + \\ &\quad (w_k v_1 + w_k v_2 + \dots + w_k v_r) \\ &= (v_1 w_1 + v_1 w_2 + \dots + v_1 w_k) + (v_2 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_2 w_k) + \dots + \\ &\quad (v_r w_1 + v_r w_2 + \dots + v_r w_k) \\ &= v_1 n + v_2 n + \dots + v_r n = (v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_r) n \\ &= n_1 n. \quad \therefore N \text{ is a ring i.e a Boolean ring with an identity.} \end{aligned}$$

2.12 Theorem : Every distributively generated Boolean near-ring N is a Boolean ring.

Proof: By known theorem, N is isomorphic to subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near-rings N_i .

Now each N_i is a homomorphic image of N and therefore a distributively generated Boolean near-ring.

So by above 2.12 theorem, $(N_i, +)$ is abelian.

Since N is distributively generated near-ring, N is a ring.

$\therefore N$ is a Boolean near-ring.

2.13 Lemma : Let N be a Boolean near-ring. Then we have

(a) Every distributive idempotent element is central.

(b) If N has a multiplicative identity element then all elements are central.

Proof: (a). let e be a distributive element and let $x \in N$.

First we show that $ex = exe$

$$(ex - exe) ex = (exe - exe) x = 0x = 0$$

$$\therefore (ex - exe) ex = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ex (ex - exe) = 0 \quad (\text{since } ab = 0 \Rightarrow ba = 0) \quad \text{----- I}$$

$$(ex - exe) e = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e (ex - exe) = 0 \quad (\text{since } ab = 0 \Rightarrow ba = 0) \quad \text{----- II}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ex - exe)^2 &= (ex - exe) (ex - exe) \\ &= ex (ex - exe) + (-exe) (ex - exe) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{from I and II.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore (ex - exe)^2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad ex - exe = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & \quad ex = exe \quad \text{----- III} \\
 & e (xe - exe) = (exe - e^2xe) \quad (\text{since } e \text{ is distributive}) \\
 & \quad = exe - exe = 0 \\
 \therefore & \quad e (xe - exe) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (xe - exe) e = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & \quad (xe - exe) = 0 \quad \therefore xe = exe \quad \text{----}
 \end{aligned}$$

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From III and IV, $xe = ex$. $\therefore e$ is central.

(b) Suppose 1 is multiplicative identity.

Let $e \in N$ and $x \in N$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1 - e) e &= 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e (1 - e) = 0 \\
 (1 - e) xe &= xe - exe \\
 (xe - exe)^2 &= (xe - exe) (xe - exe) = (x - ex) e (1 - e) xe \\
 &= (x - ex) 0 xe = 0 \\
 \therefore (xe - exe)^2 &= 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad xe = exe \\
 \text{Already } ex &= exe \quad (\text{from III}) \\
 \therefore ex &= xe \\
 \therefore ex &= xe \quad \forall e, x \in N
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore All elements of N are central i.e $Z(N) = N$.

2.14 Theorem: A non-trivial Boolean near-ring N contains a family of completely prime ideals with trivial intersection.

Proof: Since N has no non-zero nilpotent elements, then N has multiplicative sub semi-groups which do not contain zero element. By Zorn's lemma, let M be any maximal multiplicative sub semi-group which do not contain zero element.

Define $A(M) = \{x \in N / xa = 0 \text{ for atleast } a \in M\}$

Claim : $A(M)$ is a prime ideal.

First we show that $A(M)$ is normal subgroup of $(N, +)$.

Let $u, v \in A(M)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Rightarrow \exists a, b \in M \ni ua = 0, vb = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow uab = 0, vab = 0 \quad (\text{by IFP}) \quad \Rightarrow (u - v)ab = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (u - v) \in A(M)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $u \in A(M)$ and $x \in N$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{since } u \in A(M) & \Rightarrow \exists a \in M \ni ua = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x + u - x)a = xa + ua - xa = 0 \quad (\text{since } ua = 0) \\
 & \Rightarrow (x + u - x) \in A(M) \quad \therefore A(M) \text{ is a normal subgroup of } (N, +).
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $x \in N$ and $u \in A(M)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Since } u \in A(M) & \exists a \in M \ni ua = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow uxa = 0 \quad (\text{by IFP}) \quad \Rightarrow ux \in A(M)
 \end{aligned}$$

$A(M)$

Let $x, y \in N$ and $u \in A(M)$

Since $u \in A(M) \exists a \in M \ni ua = 0$

Consider $[y(x+u) - yx] a = y(x+u) a - yxa$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= y(xa + ua) - yxa &&= yxa - yxa \\
 &= 0 \\
 \therefore [y(x+u) - yx] &\in A(M) \therefore A(M) \text{ is an ideal.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $x \notin M$. Then the multiplicative sub semi-group generated by M and x must contain zero. Since N has no non-zero nilpotent elements, some finite product containing x has atleast one factor and having atleast one factor from M must be zero. Repeated application of IFP, there exist an $m \in M$ such that xm is nilpotent so $xm = 0$

\Rightarrow the set theoretical compliment of $A(M)$ is M .
 $\therefore A(M)$ is a completely prime ideal.

And clearly every non-zero element of M is excluded from atleast one of the prime ideals of $A(M)$.

$\therefore N$ contains a family of completely prime ideals with trivial intersection.

2.15 Theorem : Let N be a non-trivial Boolean near-ring with identity and every non trivial homomorphic image of N contains a non-zero central idempotent, then the additive group of N is commutative.

2.16 Theorem : A distributively generated Boolean near-ring N is a commutative ring.

Proof: Suppose a is a distributive element in N by the previous 2.14 lemma, a is central. By above 2.16 theorem, $(N, +)$ is commutative. By a known theorem, N is a ring. $\therefore N$ is a commutative ring. By a Jacobson theorem for rings $\therefore N$ is a commutative ring.

2.17 Theorem : Suppose N is a Boolean near-ring with identity, then N is commutative ring.

Proof: Suppose N is a Boolean near-ring with identity 1 .

$\Rightarrow 1$ is non-zero central idempotent in any ring $N = N/P$ where $P = A(M)$. So by above theorems $(N, +)$ is commutative. Every element in N is idempotent is central, so (N, \cdot) is commutative

2.18 Definition : If there exists a monomorphism, N to N^1 then we say that the near-ring N is embeddable in a near-ring N^1 .

2.19 Theorem: Suppose N is a finite Boolean near-ring and suppose N is embeddable in a Boolean near-ring with identity then $(N, +)$ is Boolean ring.

Proof: Suppose N is embeddable in a near-ring N^1 with identity 1 , by the above 2.18 theorem $(N^1, +)$ is commutative.

$\therefore (N, +)$ is commutative.

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