

## ON R-STRONG LIE AND JORDAN IDEALS

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# LIST OF SYMBOLS AND NOTATIONS

Notation	Description
Ø	empty set
$a \in R$	a is an element of $R$
$A \subseteq B$	A is a subset of $B$
$\phi: A \to B$	mapping $\phi$ from A into B
$\phi(a)$	image of element $a$ under $\phi$
$a^{-1}, -a$	inverse of a
$Ker\phi$	kernel of $\phi$
$H \leq G$	H is a subgroup of $G$
G	order of $G$
G:H	index of $H$ in $G$
{e}	the trivial subgroup
N	set of natural numbers
$\mathbb{Z}$	group of integers
$\mathbb{Z}^+$	set of positive integers
$\mathbb{Z}_n$	additive group of integers modulo $n$
$\sum_{i=1}^{t} \alpha_i$	sum of $\alpha_i$ $(i = 1, 2, \ldots, t)$
$\overline{A} \cap B$	A intersection $B$
$\bigcap_{t \in T} V_t$	intersection of sets $V_t$ , $t \in T$
charR = n	characteristic of a ring $R$ is $n$
[x, y]	the commutator of $x$ and $y$ which
	is equal to $xy - yx$ for $x, y \in R$
	end of proof

## Chapter 1

#### INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the background of the study, basic definitions, statement of the problem, objectives and significance of the study, methodology, and scope and limitation.

#### 1.1 Background of the Study

In this paper, R will denote a noncommutative ring. A ring R is said to be a prime ring if for  $a,b\in R$ ,  $aRb=\{arb:r\in R\}=(0)$  implies a=0 or b=0 and it is said to be semiprime ring if for  $a\in R$ ,  $aRa=\{ara:r\in R\}=(0)$  implies a=0. A prime ring is a semiprime ring but the converse is not true in general. The notation [x,y] means xy-yx, where  $x,y\in R$ . A Lie ideal U of R is an additive subgroup of R, such that,  $[a,r]\in U$  for all  $a\in U$  and  $r\in R$ . A Jordan ideal J of R is an additive subgroup of R, such that,  $ur+ru\in J$  for all  $u\in J$  and  $r\in R$ .

A. Verma stated in her paper, "R-strong Jordan ideals" [9], that a Jordan ideal and Lie ideal of R are the same if charR = 2. Also, every ideal of R is a Jordan ideal but the converse is not necessarily true [9].

A Lie ideal L of R, is said to be R-strong Lie ideal of a semiprime ring

R, if  $aub \in L$ , for all  $u \in L$  and for all  $a, b \in R$ . A Lie ideal U of R to be a strong lie ideal if  $u \in U$  implies  $u^3 \in U$ . In 1972, Albert Karam discussed different classes of strong lie ideals in his paper entitled "Strong Lie Ideals" [3]. In particular, he characterized R-strong Lie ideals.

A Jordan ideal V of a prime ring R, is said to be R-strong Jordan ideal of R, if  $avb \in V$ , for all  $v \in V$  and for all  $a, b \in R$ . In 2009, Anita Verma introduced R- strong Jordan ideals in her paper entitled "R-strong Jordan ideals" [9] and investigated its properties. This paper will be an exposition and extension to the study of Anita Verma's "R-strong Jordan ideals" [9] and a partial exposition to the study of Albert Karam's "Strong Lie Ideals" [3].

#### 1.2 Basic Definitions

This section introduces some concepts such as rings, subrings, ring homomorphisms and ideals.

**Definition 1.2.1** [1] Let G be a nonempty set with a binary operation \*. Then G or (G, \*) is called a *group* if the following axioms hold:

i.  $a, b \in G$  implies that  $a * b \in G$  (closure);

ii.  $a, b, c \in G$  implies that (a \* b) \* c = a \* (b \* c) (associativity);

iii. there exists an element  $e \in G$  such that e \* g = g = g \* e for all  $g \in G$  (existence of an identity element in G);

iv. for every  $g \neq e$  in G there exists  $g^{-1} \in G$  such that  $g * g^{-1} = e = g^{-1} * g$  (existence of inverse element in G).

The element a \* b in G will be denoted by ab, the product of a and b.

**Definition 1.2.2** [1] A group G is said to be abelian if for every  $a, b \in G$ , ab = ba.

**Definition 1.2.3** [2] A ring is a nonempty set together with two binary operations (usually denoted as addition (+) and multiplication) such that:

i. (R, +) is an abelian group;

ii. (ab)c = a(bc) for all  $a, b, c \in R$  (associative multiplication)

iii. a(b+c) = ab + ac and (a+b)c = ac + bc (left and right distributive laws).

If in addition:

iv. ab = ba for all  $a, b \in R$ ,

then R is a commutative ring. If R contains an element  $1_R$  such that

v.  $1_R a = a 1_R = a$  for all  $a \in R$ ,

then R is said to be a ring with unity.

**Definition 1.2.4** [2] Let R and R' be rings. A function  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism provided that for all  $a, b \in R$ :

$$\phi(a+b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$$
 and  $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$ .

**Definition 1.2.5** [4] Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. The kernel of  $\phi$  is the set  $Ker \ \phi = \{x \in R : \phi(x) = 0\}$  and the image of  $\phi$  is the set  $Im \ \phi = \{\phi(x) \in R' : x \in R\}$ . The inverse of  $\phi$  is the set  $\phi^{-1}(Y) = \{a \in R : \phi(a) \in Y\}$ .

**Definition 1.2.6** [2] Let R be a ring. If there is a least positive integer n such that na = 0 for all  $a \in R$ , then R is said to have characteristic n. If no such n exists R is said to have characteristic zero. (Notation: charR = n).

**Definition 1.2.7** [2] Let R be a ring and S a nonempty subset of R that is closed under the operations of addition and multiplication in R. If S is itself a ring under these operations then S is called a *subring* of R. A subring I of a ring R is a *left ideal* provided

$$r \in R$$
 and  $x \in I \Rightarrow rx \in I$ ;

I is a right ideal provided

$$r \in R$$
 and  $x \in I \Rightarrow xr \in I$ :

I is an ideal if it is both left and right ideal.

**Definition 1.2.8** [2] The *sum* and *product* of ideals are defined as follows. For A and B ideals of a ring R,

$$A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$$

and

$$AB = \{a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + \dots + a_nb_n : a_i \in A, b_i \in B, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

#### 1.3 Statement of the Problem

This paper will be an exposition of Anita Verma's paper entitled "Rstrong Jordan ideals" [9] and a partial exposition of Albert Karam's paper
entitled "Strong Lie Ideals" [3]. It aims to investigate the basic properties of
Jordan ideals, Lie ideals, R-Jordan ideals, and R-strong Lie ideals. It also aims
to establish new results that will characterize the ring homomorphic properties
of R-Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals.

## 1.4 Objectives of the Study

This study aims to provide the detailed proofs of the following theorems:

- 1. If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are two R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $V_1 + V_2$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.
- 2. Let  $\{V_t : t \in T \text{ where } T \text{ is an indexed set be a family of R-Strong Jordan ideals of } R$ . Then  $\bigcap_{t \in T} V_t$  is an R-strong Jordan ideal of R.
- Let R be a ring with untity. If V<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>2</sub> are R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then V<sub>1</sub>V<sub>2</sub> is also an R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

- 4. If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then A<sub>V</sub> = {b∈ R : ab + ba ∈ V for all a ∈ R is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.
- 5. If R is a ring with 2R = R and V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then  $A_V \cap V$  is a non-zero right ideal of R.
- If L<sub>1</sub> and L<sub>2</sub> are two R-strong Lie ideals of R, then L<sub>1</sub> + L<sub>2</sub> is also an R-strong Lie ideal of R.
- 7. If R is a ring with 2R = R and L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R, then  $B_L \cap L$  is a two-sided ideal of R.

To further characterized R- strong Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals, the present study aims to prove the following:

- 1. If  $V_1, V_2,..., V_n$  are R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n V_i$  is a Jordan ideal of R.
- 2. Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then  $\phi(V)$  is also a Jordan ideal of R'.
- 3. Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R', then  $\phi^{-1}(V) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in V\}$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.
- If φ: R → R' is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of φ, Kerφ is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

- 5. If  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,...,  $L_n$  are R-strong Lie ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n L_i$  is also a R-Lie ideal of R.
- Let φ: R → R' be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R, then φ(L) is also a R-strong Lie ideal of R'.
- Let φ: R → R' be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R', then φ<sup>-1</sup>(L) = {a ∈ R|φ(a) ∈ L} is a Lie ideal of R.
- If φ: R → R' is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of φ, Kerφ is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

## 1.5 Significance of the Study

In this paper we will provide detailed proofs on some of the existing theories on R-strong Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals. Also, we will establish new results on the ring homomorphism properties of R-strong Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals. Hence, this study will facilitate researches about R-strong Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals and may interest readers to study further and come up with new applications.

#### 1.6 Methodology

The principles of Group Theory and Ring Theory are used in the proofs of the results in this paper. Definitions and basic concepts which were taken from different references are introduced in Chapter 2. All results that are established in this paper are provided with detailed proofs.

## 1.7 Scope and Limitation of the Study

This study deals with the basic and ring homomorphism properties of R-strong Jordan ideals and R-strong Lie ideals . It also consider examples like ring of matrices over integers. The rings that are considered in this paper are noncommutative which also includes semiprime and prime rings.

## Chapter 2

#### **PRELIMINARIES**

This chapter contains some basic definitions and known results that are referred to in the succeeding chapters. Notations and symbols are also established here.

#### 2.1 Definition of Terms and Examples

**Definition 2.1.1** [2] Given sets A and B, a function (or map or mapping)  $\phi$  from A to B (written  $\phi:A\to B$ ) assigns to each  $a\in A$  exactly one element  $b\in B$ ; b is called the value of the function at a or the image of a and is usually written  $\phi(a)$ . Set A is the domain of the function and B is the range or codomain. Denote the effect of the function  $\phi$  on an element of A by  $a\mapsto \phi(a)$ .

**Definition 2.1.2** [2] A function  $\phi: A \to B$  is said to be

- i. injective (or one-to-one) provided for all  $a, a' \in A, a \neq a' \Rightarrow \phi(a) \neq \phi(a')$ .
- ii. surjective (or onto) provided for each  $b \in B$ ,  $b = \phi(a)$  for some  $a \in A$ .
- bijective (or a bijection or a one-to-one correspondence) if it is both injective and surjective.

Definition 2.1.3 [1] A binary operation \* on a set is a rule which assigns to

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each pair of elements of the set some element of the set and call this rule of assigning as product operation.

**Definition 2.1.4** [1] If G is a group, then the order |G| of G is the number of elements in G. A group with finite order is called a finite group. Otherwise, it is infinite.

**Definition 2.1.5** [1] Let G be a group and H be a nonempty subset of G that is closed under the binary operation in G. If H is itself a group under the binary operation in G, then H is said to be a subgroup of G, denoted by  $H \leq G$ .

Definition 2.1.6 [1] If G is a group, then the subgroup consisting of G itself is the improper subgroup of G. All other subgroups are proper subgroups.

The subgroup {e} is the trivial subgroup of G. All other subgroups are nontrivial.

**Definition 2.1.7** [2] An element a in a ring R is said to be *idempotent* if  $a^2 = a$ .

#### 2.2 Preliminary Results

**Theorem 2.2.1** [4] Let G be a group with a binary operation \* and H be a nonempty subset of G. Then H is a subgroup of G if and only if for all  $a, b \in H$ ,  $a*b^{-1} \in H$ .



**Theorem 2.2.2** [4] Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism of a group G into a group G'.

Then

i. If H is a subgroup of G, then  $\phi(H) = {\phi(h)|h \in H}$  is a subgoup of G'.

ii. If  $H_1$  is a subgroup of G, then  $\phi^{-1}(H_1) = \{g \in G | \phi(g) \in H\}$  is a subgoup of G.

Theorem 2.2.3 [2] Let R be a ring. Then

i. 0a = 0a = 0 for all  $a \in R$ ;

ii. (-a)b = a(-b) = -(ab) for all  $a, b \in R$ ;

iii. (-a)(-b) = ab for all  $a, b \in R$ ;

v.  $(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i) (\sum_{i=1}^{m} b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i b_i \text{ for all } a_i, b_i \in R.$ 

**Theorem 2.2.4** [1] Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism of a ring R into a ring R'.

i If 0 is the additive identity in R, then  $\phi(0) = 0'$  is the additive identity in R', and if  $a \in R$ , then  $\phi(-a) = -\phi(a)$ .

ii. If S is a subring of R, then  $\phi[S]$  is a subring of R'.

iii. If S' is a subring of R', then  $\phi^{-1}[S']$  is a subring of R.

**Theorem 2.2.5** [1] Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism of a ring R into a ring R'. If R has unity 1, then  $\phi(1)$  is unity for  $\phi[R]$ .

Lemma 2.2.6 [2] If  $\phi$  is a homomorphism of a ring R into a ring R', then the kernel of  $\phi$ ,  $Ker\phi$ , is a additive subgroup of R.



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# Chapter 3

## Results and Discussions

#### 3.1 Jordan Ideals

**Definition 3.1.1** [9] Let R be a noncommutative ring. An additive subgroup J of R is said to be a *Jordan ideal* of R if  $ur + ru \in J$  for all  $u \in J$ ,  $r \in R$ .

Example 3.1.2 Let R be a ring such that

$$R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

and let

$$J = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0 \right\}.$$

Now, let

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in J,$$

hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} -b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in J.$$

Observe that,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in J.$$

By Theorem 2.2.1, J is an additive subgroup of the ring R. Furthermore, let

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \in R \text{ and } Y = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in J.$$

Observe that,

$$\begin{split} XY + YX &= \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} xa & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} ax & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} xa + ax & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V \end{split}$$

where  $xa + ax \neq 0$ . Thus, J is a Jordan ideal of R.

Lemma 3.1.3 Every ideal of R is a Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Let J be an ideal of R. Let  $u \in J$ , then by Definition 1.2.7,  $ur \in J$  and  $ru \in J$  for all  $r \in R$ . Since J is an additive subgroup,  $ur + ru \in J$ . Thus, J is a Jordan ideal.  $\square$ 

Lemma 3.1.4 If  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are two ideals of R, then  $I_1 + I_2$  is an ideal of R. Proof: Let  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  be two ideals of R. Also, let  $u_1 \in I_1$  and  $u_2 \in I_2$ , hence,  $u_1r \in I_1$  and  $u_2r \in I_2$  for all  $r \in R$ . Thus,  $u_1r + u_2r \in I_1 + I_2$ . Observe that  $u_1r + u_2r = (u_1 + u_2)r \in I_1 + I_2$ , for all  $u_1 \in I_1$ ,  $u_2 \in I_2$  and  $r \in R$ . Therefore,  $I_1 + I_2$  is an ideal of R.  $\square$  **Lemma 3.1.5** Let R be a ring with unity and 2R = R. If J is the Jordan ideal of R and  $1 \in J$ . Then J = R.

Proof:

Case 1:  $J \subseteq R$ 

Let  $u \in J$ . Then  $u \in R$  since J is an additive subgroup of R. Thus,  $J \subseteq R$ .

Case 2:  $R \subseteq J$ 

Let  $r\in R$ . Since  $1\in J$  and J is a Jordan ideal of R then 1r=r=r1 since R is a ring with unity and by Definition 3.1.1,  $1r+r1=r+r=2r\in J$ . Since 2R=R then 2r=r. This implies that  $2r=r\in J$ . Thus,  $R\subseteq J$ . Furthermore, J=R.  $\square$ 

**Remark 3.1.6** [9] For  $x, y \in R$ , by [x, y], we mean xy - yx.

**Lemma 3.1.7** If J is a Jordan ideal of R and  $b \in J$ , then  $[[x, y], b] \in J$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Proof: Let J be a Jordan ideal of R and let  $b \in J$ . Then for  $x, y \in R$ ,  $bx + xb \in J$  and  $by + yb \in J$ . Again, since J is a Jordan ideal, it follows that,  $(bx + xb)y + y(bx + xb) \in J \implies bxy + xby + ybx + yxb \in J$  (1)

and

 $(by + yb)x + x(by + yb) \in J \implies byx + ybx + xby + xyb \in J$  (2). Getting the difference of (1) and (2),

$$(bxy + xby + ybx + yxb) - (byx + ybx + xby + xyb)$$

the two middle term can be cancelled, hence,

$$= (bxy + yxb - byx - xyb)$$

regrouping,

$$= (bxy - byx - xyb + yxb)$$

by factoring,

$$= b(xy - yx) - (xy - yx)b$$

Note that [x, y] = (xy - yx), thus,

$$\Rightarrow b[x,y] - [x,y]b \in J$$

furthermore,

$$\Rightarrow [[x,y],b] \in J. \quad \ \, \Box$$

**Lemma 3.1.8** If  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are two Jordan ideals of R, then  $J_1 + J_2$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are two Jordan ideals of R. Let  $j \in J_1 + J_2$ , then j = x + y where  $x \in J_1$  and  $y \in J_2$ . Hence,  $xr + rx \in J_1$  for all  $x \in J_1$  and  $r \in R$ . Similarly,  $yr + ry \in J_2$  for all  $y \in J_2$  and  $r \in R$ . Now.

$$jr + rj = (x + y)r + r(x + y)$$
$$= xr + yr + rx + ry$$
$$= (xr + rx) + (yr + ry) \in J_1 + J_2$$

Thus,  $J_1 + J_2$  is a Jordan ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.1.9** If  $J_1, J_2,..., J_n$  are Jordan ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n J_i$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$ ,...,  $J_n$  are Jordan ideals of R. Let  $j \in \sum_{i=1}^n J_i$ , then  $j = \sum_{i=1}^n j_i$  where  $j_i \in J_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. Hence,  $(j_i)r + r(j_i) \in J_i$  for all  $j_i \in J_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n and  $r \in R$ . Now,

$$jr + rj = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} j_i)r + r(\sum_{i=1}^{n} j_i)$$

$$= (j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_n)r + r(j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_n)$$

$$= (j_1r + j_2r + \dots + j_nr) + (rj_1 + rj_2 + \dots + rj_n)$$

$$= (j_1r + rj_1) + (j_2r + rj_2) + \dots + (j_nr + rj_n)$$

$$\in J_1 + J_2 + \dots + J_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} J_i.$$

Thus,  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} J_i$  is a Jordan ideal of R.

**Lemma 3.1.10** Let R be a ring with untity. If  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are Jordan ideals of R, then  $V_1V_2$  is also Jordan ideal of R.

Lemma 3.1.11 Let  $\phi : R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If J is a Jordan ideal of R, then  $\phi(J)$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let J be a Jordan ideal of R. Let  $a \in J$ , then  $ar + ra \in J$  for all  $a \in J$  and  $r \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(ar + ra) \in \phi(J)$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(ar + ra) = \phi(ar) + \phi(ra)$$
$$= \phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a).$$

Hence,  $\phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a) \in \phi(J)$  for all  $\phi(a) \in \phi(J)$  and  $\phi(r) \in \phi(R)$ . Note that  $\phi(R) \subseteq R'$ , hence  $\phi(r) \in R'$ . Also, by Theorem 2.2.2,  $\phi(J)$  is an additive subgroup of R'. Thus,  $\phi(J)$  is a Jordan ideal of R'.  $\square$ 

Lemma 3.1.12 Let  $\phi : R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If J is a Jordan ideal R', then  $\phi^{-1}(J) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in J\}$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let J be a Jordan ideal of R'. Let  $a \in \phi^{-1}(J)$  and  $r \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(a) \in J$  and  $\phi(a)\phi(r)+\phi(r)\phi(a) \in J$  for all  $\phi(r) \in R'$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a) = \phi(ar) + \phi(ra)$$
$$= \phi(ar + ra)$$

Thus,  $\phi(ar+ra) \in J$  which implies that  $ar+ra \in \phi^{-1}(J)$ . Also, by Theorem 2.2.2  $\phi^{-1}(J)$  is an additive subgroup of R. Thus,  $\phi^{-1}(J)$  is a Jordan ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.1.13** If  $\phi : R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of  $\phi$ ,  $Ker\phi$  is a Jordan ideal of R.

*Proof*: Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. Let  $Ker\phi$  be the kernel of  $\phi$ . By Lemma 2.2.6,  $Ker\phi$  is an additive subgroup of R. Let  $a \in Ker\phi$  and  $r \in R$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a ring homomorphism,

$$\phi(ar + ra) = \phi(ar) + \phi(ra)$$

$$= \phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a)$$

$$= (0)\phi(r) + \phi(r)(0)$$

$$= 0 + 0$$

$$= 0 \in R'.$$

Hence,  $ar + ra \in Ker\phi$ . Thus,  $Ker\phi$  is a Jordan ideal.  $\square$ 

## 3.2 R-Strong Jordan Ideals

In this section, by ring R we mean a prime ring.

**Definition 3.2.1** [9] A ring R is said to be *prime* if for  $a, b \in R$ , aRb = (0) implies a = 0 or b = 0.

**Definition 3.2.2** [9] Let R be a prime ring. A Jordan ideal V of R, is said to be R-strong Jordan ideal of R, if  $avb \in V$ , for all  $v \in V$  and for all  $a, b \in R$ .

Example 3.2.3 Consider the ring

$$R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} : x,y \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

and the Jordan ideal

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0 \right\}$$

of R from Example 1.

Let

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \in R$$

and

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V.$$

Observe that

$$\begin{split} XYX &= \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} xa & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} xax & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V. \end{split}$$

Hence, V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Remark 3.2.4 If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then V is a Jordan ideal of R.

Remark 3.2.5 If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are two R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $V_1 + V_2$  is also a Jordan ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.2.6** If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are two R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $V_1+V_2$  is also an R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are two R-strong Jordan ideals of R. Let  $x \in V_1 + V_2$ , then x = y + z where  $y \in V_1$  and  $z \in V_2$ . Hence,  $ayb \in V_1$  for all  $y \in V_1$  and  $a,b \in R$ . Similarly,  $azb \in V_2$  for all  $z \in V_2$  and  $a,b \in R$ . Now,

$$axb = a(y + z)b$$

$$= (ay + az)b$$

$$= ayb + azb \in V_1 + V_2.$$

By Remark 3.2.5,  $V_1 + V_2$  is a Jordan ideal of R. Thus,  $V_1 + V_2$  is an R-strong Jordan ideal of R since  $axb \in V_1 + V_2$ .

**Remark 3.2.7** If  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,...,  $V_n$  are R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n V_i$  is a Jordan ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.2.8** If  $V_1, V_2, ..., V_n$  are R-strong Jordan ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n V_i$  is also a R-Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $V_1, V_2, ..., V_n$  are R-strong Jordan ideals of R. Let  $x \in \sum_{i=1}^n V_i$ , then  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i$  where  $v_i \in V_i$ , i = 1, 2, ...n. Hence,  $av_ib \in V_i$  for all  $v_i \in V_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n and  $a, b \in R$ . Now,

$$axb = a(\sum_{i=1}^{n} v_i)b$$

$$= a(v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n)b$$

$$= (av_1 + av_2 + \dots + av_n)b$$

$$= av_1b + av_2b + \dots + av_nb$$

$$\in V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} V_i.$$

By Remark 3.2.7,  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} V_i$  is a Jordan ideal of R. Thus  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} V_i$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.  $\square$ 

Theorem 3.2.9 Let  $\{V_t : t \in T \text{ where } T \text{ is an indexed set } be a family of } R$ Strong Jordan ideals of R. Then  $\bigcap_{t \in T} V_t$  is an R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Let  $V = \bigcap_{t \in T} V_t$ . Let  $x \in V$  and  $a, b \in R$ . Since  $x \in V$ ,  $x \in V_t$ , for all  $t \in T$ . Now,  $x \in V_t$  and  $V_t$  is R-strong Jordan ideal, therefore  $axb \in V_t$ , for all  $t \in T$ . Hence,  $axb \in \bigcap_{t \in T} = V$ .  $\square$ 

Remark 3.2.10 The union of two R-strong Jordan ideals need not be an Rstrong need not be an R-strong Jordan ideal. **Theorem 3.2.11** Let R be a ring with untity. If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are R Jordan ideals of R, then  $V_1V_2$  is also an R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Let  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  be R-strong Jordan ideals of R. Let  $x \in V_1V_2$  and  $r \in R$ . Then  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$ ,  $a_i \in V_1$ ,  $b_i \in V_2$ . Now,  $a_i \in V_1$ ,  $r \in R$  and  $V_1$  is R-strong Jordan ideal, therefore  $ra_i r \in V_1$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. Similarly,  $b_i \in V_1$ ,  $r \in R$  and  $V_2$  is R-strong Jordan ideal. Therefore  $rb_i r \in V_2$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. Observe that,

$$r(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}b_{i})r = r(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}b_{i})r + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (ra_{i}r \cdot rb_{i}r) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} (ra_{i}r \cdot rb_{i}r) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (ra_{i}rb_{i}r) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} (ra_{i}rb_{i}r)$$

Note that  $r_1a_ir_2 \in V$  for all  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  and i = 1, 2, ..., n. Taking  $r_1 = r - 1$ ,  $r_2 = r$ , we get

$$r_1 a_i r_2 = (r - 1)(a_i)(r)$$
$$= (r a_i - a_i)(r)$$
$$= r a_i r - a_i r$$

Hence,  $(ra_ir - a_ir) \in V_1$  since  $r_1a_ir_2 \in V_1$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. Similarly, since  $r_1b_ir_2 \in V_2$  for all  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  and i = 1, 2, ..., n. Taking  $r_1 = 1 + r$ ,  $r_2 = r$ , we

$$r_1b_ir_2 = (1+r)(b_i)(r)$$
$$= (b_i + rb_i)r$$
$$= b_ir + rb_ir.$$

Hence,  $(b_ir + rb_ir) \in V_2$  since  $r_1b_ir_2 \in V_2$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. So  $\sum_{i=1}^n (ra_i - ra_ir)(b_ir + rb_ir) \in V_1V_2$ . Now, since  $\sum_{i=1}^n (ra_ir \cdot rb_ir) \in V_1V_2$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n (ra_i - ra_ir)(b_ir + rb_ir) \in V_1V_2$ . Then  $r(\sum_{i=1}^n a_ib_i)r \in V_1V_2$ . Also, since  $V_1V_2$  is a Jordan ideal by Theorem 3.1.10, hence  $V_1V_2$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.2.12** Let V be a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, where R is a ring with unity. If  $v \in V$  and  $a, b \in R$ , then  $abv + vba \in V$ .

*Proof*: Suppose V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, where R is a ring with unity. Let  $v \in V$  and  $a, b \in R$ . Also, let avb and  $bva \in V$ . Then,

$$avb + bva \in V$$
 (3.1)

Now, since V is a Jordan ideal,  $a(avb+bva)+(avb+bva)a=aavb+abva+avba+bvaa \in V$ . Therefore, by (3.1),  $avba+bvaa \in V$ . Replacing a by (a-1),

we get  $(avb - vb)(a - 1) + (abv - bv)(a - 1) \in V$ . Hence,

$$(avb - vb)(a - 1) + (abv - bv)(a - 1)$$

$$= (avb)(a - 1) - (vb)(a - 1) + (abv)(a - 1) - (bv)(a - 1)$$

$$= avba - avb - vba + vb + abva - abv - bva + bv \in V$$

Note that by (3.1),  $avba + abva \in V$  and  $-avb - bva \in V$ . Also, since V is a Jordan ideal,  $vb + bv \in V$  where  $v \in V$  and  $b \in R$ . Thus,  $-vba - abv \in V$ . Since V is an additive subgroup,  $vba + abv \in V$ .  $\square$ 

Let V be a R-strong Jordan ideal of R. If  $a, b \in R$ , we associate V with the set  $A_v = \{b \in R : ab + ba \in V \text{ for all } a \in R.$ 

**Theorem 3.2.13** If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then  $A_V$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R. Let  $x \in A_V$  and  $r \in R$ . Since  $x \in A_V, xr + rx \in V$ . Also, since V is a Jordan ideal of R,  $(xr + rx)y + y(xr + rx) \in V$  for all  $y \in R$ . Hence  $xr + rx \in A_V$ . Thus,  $A_V$  is a Jordan ideal of R. Let  $b \in A_V$ ,  $x, y \in R$ . Since  $b \in A_V$ ,  $x, y, \in R$ , xb + bx,  $yb + by \in V$ . Since V is a R-strong Jordan ideal,  $y(by + yb)y \in V$ . This implies that  $yby^2 + y^2by \in V$ . Similarly,  $x(by + yb)y \in V$  and  $y(by + yb)x \in V$ . Which implies that,  $xby^2 + yby \in V$  and  $ybyx + y^2bx \in V$  respectively. Note that

 $yby^2 + y^2by \in V$ , hence,  $x(yby) + (yby)x \in V$  and so  $yby \in A_V$ . Thus,  $A_V$  is R-strong Jordan ideal.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.2.14** If R is a ring with 2R = R and V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then  $A_V \cap V$  is a non-zero right ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R. Hence V is a Jordan ideal of R. Let 2R = R and also let  $a \in A_V$ , then  $ab + ba \in V$  for all  $a \in R$ . Since V is a Jordan ideal, then  $a \in V$ . Thus,  $A_V \cap V \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $b \in A_V \cap V$ ,  $x, y \in R$ . Then  $bx + xb \in V$ . So  $bx + xb \in A_V$ . Hence,  $bx + xb \in A_V \cap V$ . Now,

$$xb + bx = xb + bx + xb - xb$$

$$= bx - xb + 2xb$$

$$= bx - xb + xb, \text{ since } (2R = R)$$

$$= bx \in A_V \cap V.$$

Since  $x \in R$  is arbitrary,  $bx \in A_V \cap V$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Hence,  $A_V \cap V$  is a nonzero right ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.2.15** If e is an idempotent and V is a Jordan ideal of R, then eVe is an eRe-strong Jordan ideal of R.

Remark 3.2.16 Let  $\phi : R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R, then  $\phi(V)$  is also a Jordan ideal of R'.

Theorem 3.2.17 Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a Rstrong Jordan ideal of R, then  $\phi(V)$  is also a R-strong Jordan ideal of R'.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let V be a R-strong Jordan ideal of R. Let  $v \in V$ , then  $avb \in V$  for all  $a, b \in R$ . Hence, for  $\phi(v) \in \phi(V)$ ,  $\phi(avb) \in \phi(V)$  for all  $\phi(a)$  and  $\phi(b) \in \phi(R)$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(avb) = \phi(av)\phi(b)$$
  
=  $\phi(a)\phi(v)\phi(b)$ 

Thus,  $\phi(a)\phi(v)\phi(b)\in\phi(V)$  for all  $\phi(v)\in\phi(V)$  and  $\phi(a)$  and  $\phi(b)\in\phi(R)$ . Note that  $\phi(R)\subseteq R'$ , hence,  $\phi(a)$ ,  $\phi(b)\in R'$ . Also, by Remark 3.2.16  $\phi(V)$  is a Jordan ideal of R'. Therefore,  $\phi(V)$  is an R-strong Jordan ideal of R'.  $\square$ Remark 3.2.18 Let  $\phi:R\to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a R-strong

Jordan ideal of R', then  $\phi^{-1}(V) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in V\}$  is a Jordan ideal of R.

Theorem 3.2.19 Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If V is a Rstrong Jordan ideal of R', then  $\phi^{-1}(V) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in V\}$  is a R-strong
Jordan ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. Let V be a R-strong Jordan ideal of R'. Let  $v \in \phi^{-1}(V)$  and  $a, b \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(v) \in V$  and

 $\phi(a)\phi(v)\phi(b)\in V$  for all  $\phi(a),\,\phi(b)\in R'.$  Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(a)\phi(v)\phi(b) = \phi(av)\phi(b)$$

$$= \phi(avb)$$

Thus,  $\phi(avb) \in V$  which implies that  $avb \in \phi^{-1}(V)$ . Also by Remark 3.2.18  $\phi^{-1}(V)$  is a Jordan ideal of R. Therefore,  $\phi^{-1}(V)$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.2.20** If  $\phi : R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of  $\phi$ ,  $Ker\phi$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

*Proof*: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let  $x \in Ker\phi$  and  $r \in R$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a ring homomorphism,

$$\phi(rxr) = \phi(r)\phi(x)\phi(r)$$
$$= (0)\phi(x)(0)$$
$$= 0 \in R'.$$

Hence,  $rxr \in Ker\phi$ . By Theorem 3.1.13,  $Ker\phi$  is a Jordan ideal. Thus  $Ker\phi$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal.  $\Box$ 

## 3.3 Lie ideals and R-strong Lie ideals

In this section, by ring R we mean a semiprime ring.

**Definition 3.3.1** [9] A ring R is said to be *semiprime* if for  $a \in R$ , aRa = (0) implies a = 0.

**Definition 3.3.2** [9] Let R be a noncommutative ring. An additive subgroup U of R is said to be a *Lie ideal* of R if  $[a,r], \in U$ , that is  $ar - ra \in U$ , for all  $a \in U$ ,  $r \in R$ .

**Lemma 3.3.3** If  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are two Lie ideals of R, then  $U_1 + U_2$  is also a Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are two Lie ideals of R. Let  $a \in U_1 + U_2$ , then u = x + y where  $x \in U_1$  and  $y \in U_2$ . Hence,  $xr - rx \in U_1$  for all  $x \in U_1$  and  $r \in R$ . Similarly,  $yr - ry \in J_2$  for all  $y \in U_2$  and  $r \in R$ . Now.

$$ur - ru = (x + y)r - r(x + y)$$
$$= xr + yr - rx - ry$$
$$= (xr - rx) + (yr - ry) \in J_1 + J_2$$

Thus,  $U_1 + U_2$  is a Lie ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.3.4** If  $U_1$ ,  $U_2$ ,...,  $U_n$  are Lie ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n U_i$  is also a Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $U_1$ ,  $U_2$ ,...,  $U_n$  are Jordan ideals of R. Let  $u \in \sum_{i=1}^n U_i$ , then  $u = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i$  where  $u_i \in U_i$ , i = 1, 2, ...n. Hence,  $(u_i)r - r(u_i) \in U_i$  for all

 $u_i \in U_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n and  $r \in R$ . Now,

$$jr + rj = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i)r - r(\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i)$$

$$= (u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n)r - r(u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n)$$

$$= (u_1r + u_2r + \dots + u_nr) - (ru_1 + ru_2 + \dots + ru_n)$$

$$= (u_1r - ru_1) + (u_2r - ru_2) + \dots + (u_nr - ru_n)$$

$$\in U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} U_i.$$

Thus,  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} U_i$  is a Lie ideal of R.

**Lemma 3.3.5** Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If U is a Lie ideal of R, then  $\phi(U)$  is also a Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let U be a Lie ideal of R. Let  $a \in U$ , then  $ar - ra \in J$  for all  $a \in U$  and  $r \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(ar - ra) \in \phi(J)$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(ar - ra) = \phi(ar + (-ra))$$

$$= \phi(ar) + \phi(-ra)$$

$$= \phi(ar) - \phi(ra)$$

$$= \phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a).$$

Hence,  $\phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a) \in \phi(U)$  for all  $\phi(a) \in \phi(U)$  and  $\phi(r) \in \phi(R)$ . Note

that  $\phi(R) \subseteq R'$ , hence  $\phi(r) \in R'$ . Also, by Theorem 2.2.2,  $\phi(U)$  is an additive subgroup of R'. Thus,  $\phi(U)$  is a Lie ideal of R'.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.3.6** Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If U is a Lie ideal R', then  $\phi^{-1}(U) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in J\}$  is also a Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let U be a Lie ideal of R'. Let  $a \in \phi^{-1}(U)$  and  $r \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(a) \in U$  and  $\phi(a)\phi(r) + \phi(r)\phi(a) \in U$  for all  $\phi(r) \in R'$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(a)\phi(r) - \phi(r)\phi(a) = \phi(ar) - \phi(ra)$$

$$= \phi(ar) + \phi(-ra)$$

$$= \phi(ar + (-ra))$$

$$= \phi(ar - ra)$$

Thus,  $\phi(ar-ra) \in U$  which implies that  $ar-ra \in \phi^{-1}(U)$ . Also, by Theorem 2.2.2  $\phi^{-1}(U)$  is an additive subgroup of R. Thus,  $\phi^{-1}(U)$  is a Lie ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.3.7** If  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of  $\phi$ ,  $Ker\phi$  is a Lie ideal of R.

*Proof*: Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. Let  $Ker\phi$  be the kernel of  $\phi$ . By Lemma 2.2.6,  $Ker\phi$  is an additive subgroup of R. Let  $a \in Ker\phi$  and

 $r \in R$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a ring homomorphism,

$$\phi(ar - ra) = \phi(ar) + \phi(-ra)$$

$$= \phi(ar) - \phi(ra)$$

$$= \phi(a)\phi(r) - \phi(r)\phi(a)$$

$$= (0)\phi(r) - \phi(r)(0)$$

$$= 0 - 0$$

$$= 0 \in R'.$$

Hence,  $ar - ra \in Ker\phi$ . Thus,  $Ker\phi$  is a Lie ideal.  $\square$ 

**Definition 3.3.8** [3] Let R be a semiprime ring such that 2R = R. A Lie ideal L of R, is said to be R-strong Lie ideal of R, if  $aub \in L$ , for all  $u \in L$  and for all  $a, b \in R$ .

Let L be a R-strong Lie ideal of R. If  $a,b\in R$ , we associate L with the set  $B_L=\{b\in R:ab+ba\in R\}$ . This set is a Lie ideal of R and  $u^2\in B_L$  for all  $u\in L$ .

Lemma 3.3.9 If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R, then

- i. B<sub>L</sub> is a R-strong Lie ideal
- ii.  $u^2xu^2 \in B_L \cap L$  for all  $u \in L$ ,  $x \in R$ .

Theorem 3.3.10 Let  $C = B_L \cap L$ , Then C is a nonzero two-sided ideal.

Remark 3.3.11 If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two R-strong Lie ideals of R, then  $L_1 + L_2$  is also a Lie ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.3.12** If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two R-strong Lie ideals of R, then  $L_1 + L_2$  is also an R-strong Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two R-strong Lie ideals of R. Let  $x \in L_1 + L_2$ , then x = y + z where  $y \in L_1$  and  $z \in L_2$ . Hence,  $ayb \in L_1$  for all  $y \in L_1$  and  $a,b \in R$ . Similarly,  $azb \in L_2$  for all  $z \in L_2$  and  $a,b \in R$ . Now,

$$axb = a(y+z)b$$

$$= (ay+az)b$$

$$= ayb + azb \in L_1 + L_2.$$

By Remark 3.3.11,  $L_1+L_2$  is a Lie ideal of R. Thus,  $L_1+L_2$  is an R-strong Lie ideal of R since  $axb \in L_1+L_2$ .

Remark 3.3.13 If  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,...,  $L_n$  are R-strong Lie ieals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} L_i$  is a Lie ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.3.14** If  $L_1, L_2, ..., L_n$  are R-strong Lie ideals of R, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n L_i$  is also a R-Lie ideal of R.

Proof: Suppose  $L_1, L_2,..., L_n$  are R-strong Lie ideals of R. Let  $x \in \sum_{i=1}^n L_i$ , then  $u = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i$  where  $u_i \in L_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n. Hence,  $au_ib \in L_i$  for all  $u_i \in L_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n and  $a, b \in R$ . Now,

$$aub = a(\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i)b$$

$$= a(u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n)b$$

$$= (au_1 + au_2 + \dots + au_n)b$$

$$= au_1b + au_2b + \dots + au_nb$$

$$\in L_1 + L_2 + \dots + L_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} L_i.$$

By Remark 3.3.13,  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} L_i$  is a Lie ideal of R. Thus  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} L_i$  is a R-strong Lie ideal of R.  $\square$ 

Remark 3.3.15 Let  $\phi : R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R, then  $\phi(L)$  is also a Lie ideal of R'.

**Theorem 3.3.16** Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R, then  $\phi(L)$  is also a R-strong Lie ideal of R'.

Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let L be a R-strong Lie ideal of R. Let  $u \in L$ , then  $aub \in L$  for all  $a,b \in R$ . Hence, for  $\phi(u) \in \phi(L)$ ,  $\phi(aub) \in \phi(L)$  for all  $\phi(a)$  and  $\phi(b) \in \phi(R)$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(aub) = \phi(au)\phi(b)$$
$$= \phi(a)\phi(u)\phi(b)$$

Thus,  $\phi(a)\phi(u)\phi(b) \in \phi(L)$  for all  $\phi(u) \in \phi(L)$  and  $\phi(a)$  and  $\phi(b) \in \phi(R)$ . Note that  $\phi(R) \subseteq R'$ , hence,  $\phi(a)$ ,  $\phi(b) \in R'$ . Also, by Remark 3.3.15  $\phi(L)$  is a Jordan ideal of R'. Therefore,  $\phi(L)$  is an R-strong Lie ideal of R'.

Remark 3.3.17 Let  $\phi : R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R', then  $\phi^{-1}(L) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in L\}$  is a Lie ideal of R.

Theorem 3.3.18 Let  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. If L is a R-strong Lie ideal of R', then  $\phi^{-1}(L) = \{a \in R | \phi(a) \in L\}$  is a R-strong Lie ideal of R. Proof: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  be a ring homomorphism. Let L be a R-strong Lie ideal of R'. Let  $u \in \phi^{-1}(L)$  and  $a, b \in R$ . Hence,  $\phi(u) \in L$  and  $\phi(a)\phi(L)\phi(b) \in L$  for all  $\phi(a), \phi(b) \in R'$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,

$$\phi(a)\phi(u)\phi(b) = \phi(au)\phi(b)$$

$$= \phi(aub)$$

Thus,  $\phi(aub) \in L$  which implies that  $aub \in \phi^{-1}(L)$ . Also by Remark 3.3.17  $\phi^{-1}(L)$  is a Lie ideal of R. Therefore,  $\phi^{-1}(L)$  is a R-strong Lie ideal of R.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.3.19** If  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism, then the kernel of  $\phi$ ,  $Ker\phi$  is a R-strong Jordan ideal of R.

*Proof*: Suppose  $\phi: R \to R'$  is a ring homomorphism. Let  $a \in Ker\phi$  and  $r \in R$ . Now, since  $\phi$  is a ring homomorphism,

$$\phi(rar) = \phi(r)\phi(a)\phi(r)$$
$$= (0)\phi(a)(0)$$
$$= 0 \in R'.$$

Hence,  $rar \in Ker\phi$ . By Theorem 3.3.7,  $Ker\phi$  is a Lie ideal. Thus  $Ker\phi$  is a R-strong Lie ideal.  $\square$