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ASSOCIATORS IN THE NUCLEUS OF LIE ADMISSIBLE RINGS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we consider a simple Lie admissible third power associative ring R satisfying (y,x,x)=k (x,x,y) for all $x, y \in R$, $k \ne 0,-1$ and $(k+1)^2+2\ne 0$ and prove that the nucleus is equal to the center in R. Also we show that if R is a prime third power associative antiflexible ring, then R is Lie admissible. Using this, it is proved that R is either associative or the nucleus is equal to the center.

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1. INTRODUCTION

E. Kleinfeld and M. Kleinfeld [2] studied a class of Lie admissible rings. Also in [3] they have proved some results of a simple Lie admissible third power associative ring R satisfying an equation of the form (x,y,x) = k (x,x,y) for all $x,y \in R$, $k \ne 0$, -1, and $k^2 + 2 \ne 0$. In this paper we consider the same ring R satisfying (y,x,x)=k(x,x,y) for all $x,y \in R$, $k \ne 0$,-1 and $(k+1)^2 + 2 \ne 0$ and prove that the nucleus is equal to the center in R. Also we show that if R is a prime third power associative antiflexible ring, then R is Lie admissible. Using this, it is proved that R is either associative or the nucleus is equal to the center.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Let R be a nonassociative ring. We shall denote the commutator and the associator by (x,y) = xy-yx and (x,y,z) = (xy)z-x(yz) for all x,y,z in R respectively. A ring R is called antiflexible if (x,y,z) = (z,y,x) for all x,y,z in R. The nucleus N of a ring R is defined as $N = \{n \in R / (n,R,R) = (R,n,R) = (R,R,n) = 0\}$. The center C of R is defined as $C = \{c \in N / (c,R) = 0\}$. A ring R is said to be of characteristic $\neq n$ if nx = 0 implies x = 0, for all $x \in R$ and n is a natural number. A ring R is of characteristic $\neq n$ is simply denoted by char. $\neq n$. A ring R is called simple if $R^2 \neq 0$ and the only nonzero ideal of R is itself. Since R^2 is a non-zero ideal of R, we have $R^2 = R$. A ring R is called prime if whenever R and R are ideals of R such that R is R then either R is R and R are ideals of R such that R is R then either R in R is R in R is called prime if whenever R and R are ideals of R such that R is R then either R in R is R in R is called prime if whenever R and R are ideals of R such that R is R in R in R in R is called prime if R in R in

Throughout this paper R represents a nonassociative ring of char. $\neq 2, 3$.

3. MAIN RESULTS

If *R* is Lie admissible, then it satisfy the identity

$$(x,y,z) + (y,z,x) + (z,x,y) = 0,$$
 3.1

for all x, y and $z \in R$.

We use the following two identities which hold in all rings:

$$P(w,x,y,z) = (wx,y,z) - (w,xy,z) + (w,x,yz) - w(x,y,z) - (w,x,y)z = 0$$
3.2

and
$$D(x,y,z) = (xy,z) - x(y,z) - (x,z)y - (x,y,z)$$

- $(z,x,y) + (x,z,y) = 0.$ 3.3

The first is known as the Teichmuller identity and the second is called the semi Jacobi identity.

We denote
$$S(x, y, z) = (x, y, z) + (y, z, x) + (z, x, y)$$
.

Then from D(x,y,z) - D(y,x,z), we obtain

$$((x,y),z) + ((y,z),x) + ((z,x),y) = S(x,y,z) - S(x,z,y).$$
 3.5

As was observed by Maneri in [4], in an arbitrary ring with elements w, x, y, z we have

$$0 = P(w,x,y,z) - P(x,y,z,w) + P(y,z,w,x) - P(z,w,x,y)$$

= $S(wx,y,z) - S(xy,z,w) + S(yz,w,x) - S(zw,x,y) - (w,(x,y,z))$
+ $(x,(y,z,w)) - (y,(z,w,x)) + (z,(w,x,y)).$

We now assume that R satisfies identity 3.1, S(a,b,c) = 0, for all $a,b,c \in R$.

So the above equation imply

$$(w,(x,y,z)) + (x,(y,z,w)) - (y,(z,w,x)) + (z,(w,x,y)) = 0.$$
3.6

Let N be the nucleus of R, and let $n \in N$. By substituting n for w in 3.6, we get

$$(n,(x,y,z)) = 0.$$
 3.7

i.e., *n* commutes with all associators.

The combination of 3.7 and 3.2 yields

$$(n,w(x,y,z)) = -(n,(w,x,y)z).$$
 3.8

If u and v are two associators in R, then substituting

$$z = n, x = u, y = v \text{ in } 3.3, \text{ we get}$$

 $(uv, n) = 0.$ 3.9

If u = (a,b,c), then ((a,b,c)v,n) = 0. Using 3.8, we have -(a(b,c,v),n) = 0.

From this and 3.3, we obtain -a((b,c,v),n) - (a,n)(b,c,v) = 0.

Using 3.7, we have
$$(a,n)$$
 $(b,c,v) = 0$.

Now we prove the following theorem:

Theorem 3.1: If R is semiprime third power associative ring of char. $\neq 2$ which satisfies 3.1, then either N = C or R is associative.

Proof: If $N \neq C$, then there exist $n \in N$ and $a \in R$ such that $(a,n) \neq 0$. Hence from 3.10 we have (b,c,v)=0, for all associators v, and $b,c \in R$. We can write this as (R,R,(R,R,R))=0.

By putting v = (q, r, s) in 3.9, we get

(u(q,r,s),n) = 0. Using 3.8 this leads to -((u,q,r)s,n) = 0. From this and 3.3, we obtain (u,q,r)(s,n) = 0. Since $N \neq C$, we have (u,q,r) = 0, for all associators u, and q, $r \in R$. We can write this as ((R,R,R),R,R) = 0. Using (R,R,(R,R,R)) = 0 = ((R,R,R),R,R), identity 3.1 gives (R,(R,R,R),R) = 0.

Thus $(R,R,R) \subset N$. Since R is semiprime, we use the result in [1] to conclude that R must be

associative. This completes the proof of the theorem.

Henceforth we assume that *R* satisfies an equation of the form

$$(y,x,x) = k(x,x,y)$$
3.11

for all $x, y \in R$, $k \ne 0$, -1, and $(k+1)^2 + 2 \ne 0$.

Using 3.1, identity 3.11 implies

$$(x,y,x) = -(k+1)(x,x,y) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k}(y,x,x).$$
 3.12

Now we prove the following Lemma:

Lemma 3.1: Let $T = \{t \in R/(t,N) = 0 = (tR,N) = (Rt,N)\}$. Then T is an ideal of R.

Proof: Let $t \in T$, $n \in N$, and x, y, $z \in R$. Then $(tx \cdot y, n) = (t \cdot xy, n) = 0$, using 3.7 and the definition of T. Also 3.3 implies $(y \cdot tx, n) = (y, n) \cdot tx$. But 3.3 also yields (yt, n) = (y, n)t = 0, since (yt, n) = 0.

Now
$$((y,n),t,x) = ((y,n)\cdot t)x - (y,n)\cdot tx$$

$$= - (y,n) \cdot tx$$

= - (y\cdot tx,n).

or
$$(y \cdot tx, n) = -((y, n), t, x).$$

3.13

Now consider
$$((y,n),x,x) = (yn,x,x) - (ny,x,x)$$
.

3.14

Using 3.12 (yn,x,x) = k(x,x,yn), while 0 = P(x,x,y,n) = (x,x,yn) - (x,x,y)n and 0 = P(x,x,x) = (x,x,y) - (x,x,y)n and 0 = P(x,x,y) = (x,x,y) - (x,x,y)n

Substituting this in 3.14 and using 3.12 and 3.7 gives

$$((y,n),x,x) = k(x,x,yn) - n(y,x,x)$$

$$= k(x,x,y)n - kn(x,x,y)$$

$$= k((x,x,y),n)$$

$$= 0.$$

Linearizing the above identity, we get

$$((y,n),x,z) = -((y,n),z,x).$$

Again consider
$$((x,n),y,x) = (xn,y,x) - (nx,y,x)$$
.

3.16

From P(x,n,y,x) = 0 it follows that (xn,y,x) = (x,ny,x).

From 3.12 it follows that
$$(x, ny, x) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k}(ny, x, x)$$

and from P(n,y,x,x) = 0 we have (ny,x,x) = n(y,x,x).

Thus we have
$$(x, ny, x) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k}(ny, x, x)$$
 3.17

From P(n,x,y,x) = 0 it follows that (nx,y,x) = n(x,y,x),

while from 3.12 we have $n(x,y,x) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k}n(y,x,x)$.

Therefore
$$(nx, y, x) = n(x, y, x) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k}n(y, x, x)$$
. 3.18

Substituting 3.17 and 3.18 in 3.16, we get

$$((x,n),y,x) = 0$$
. 3.19

By linearizing 3.19, we get

$$((x,n),y,z) = -((z,n),y,x).$$
 3.20

Combining 3.15 and 3.20 we have

$$((\Pi(x),n), \Pi(y), \Pi(z)) = sgn(\Pi)((x,n),y,z)$$
3.21

for every permutation Π on the set $\{x, y, z\}$.

Applying 3.21 we see that

$$((y,n),t,x) = ((y,n),x,t) = -((t,n),x,y) = ((t,n),y,x) = 0.$$

using 3.15, 3.20, 3.15 and definition of T. From this combined with 3.13 we obtain $(y \cdot tx, n) = 0$. At this point T is a right ideal of R. By going to the anti-isomorphic ring we similarly prove that T is a left ideal of R. Therefore T is an ideal of R. This completes the proof of the Lemma. \square

Theorem 3.2: A ring R which satisfies 3.1 and 3.11, is simple and of char. \neq 2,3 is either associative or satisfies nucleus equals center, N = C.

Proof: Simplicity of R implies either that T = R, in which case N = C and we are done T = 0. Hence assume that T = 0. Let u = (a,b,c) be an arbitrary associator with elements a, b, $c \in R$. We have already observed that for every associator v, we have (uv,n) = 0. Now using (P(u,x,x,y),n) = 0 and 3.7 gives ((u,x,x)y,n) = -(u(x,x,y),n) = 0. Using (P(y,x,x,u),n) = 0 gives (y(x,x,u),n) = -(y,x,x)u,n) = 0. Also 3.12 implies that y(u,x,x) = ky(x,x,u). So (y(u,x,x),n) = 0.

Since ((u,x,x),n) = 0 by 3.7, we have $(u,x,x) \in T$. Since we are assuming T = 0, we have (u,x,x) = 0, for all $x \in R$. Using this in 3.12, we get (x,u,x) = 0 and (x,x,u) = 0. Thus (x,u,x) = (x,x,u) = (u,x,x) = 0.

For $a, b \in R$, we define $a \equiv b$ if and only if (a - b, n) = 0 for all $n \in N$.

Let $\alpha = x(y,x,z)$. Because of 3.7, all associators are congruent to zero. Thus P(x,y,x,z) = 0 implies $\alpha = -(x,y,x)z$. Now 3.12 implies $\alpha = -(x,y,x)z = -k(x,x,y)z$. Continuing to use P and 3.12 yields $\alpha = x(y,x,z) = -(x,y,x)z = (k+1)(x,x,y)z$

$$\equiv -(k+1)x\ (x,y,z) \equiv (k+1)\ (x,x,y)z \equiv \frac{\left(k+1\right)}{k}\ (y,x,x)z$$

$$\equiv -\frac{\left(k+1\right)}{k}\,\mathbf{y}(x,x,z)\equiv \frac{1}{k}\,\mathbf{y}(x,z,x)\equiv -\frac{1}{k}\,(y,x,z)x$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} y(x, z, x) = -\frac{(k+1)}{k^2} y(z, x, x) = \frac{(k+1)}{k^2} (y, z, x) x.$$
 3.23

By permutting y and z in 3.23, we get

$$\beta = x(z,x,y) \equiv -(x,z,x)y \equiv (k+1)(x,x,z)y$$

$$\equiv -(k+1) x (x,z,y) \equiv (k+1) (x,x,z)y \equiv \frac{\left(k+1\right)}{k} (z,x,x)y$$

$$\equiv -\frac{\left(k+1\right)}{k}z(x,x,y)\equiv \frac{1}{k}z(x,y,x)\equiv -\frac{1}{k}(z,x,y)x$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{k} z(x, y, x) \equiv -\frac{(k+1)}{k^2} z(y, x, x) \equiv \frac{(k+1)}{k^2} (z, y, x) x.$$
 3.24

From identity 3.1 we obtain

$$x(x,y,z) + x(z,x,y) = -x(y,z,x).$$
 3.25

using 3.23 and 3.24 in 3.25, we get

$$-\frac{\alpha}{k+1} + \beta \equiv -x(y,z,x). \tag{3.26}$$

However P(x, y, z, x) = 0 gives $-x(y, z, x) \equiv (x, y, z)x$.

Thus
$$-\frac{\alpha}{k+1} + \beta \equiv (x, y, z)x$$
. 3.27

However using 3.12 and P(z,x,x,x) = 0 we have $(x,x,z)x = \frac{1}{k}(z,x,x)x = \frac{-1}{k}z(x,x,x)$. Since $(x,x,x) = \frac{1}{k}z(x,x,x)$.

0, we have (x,x,z)x = 0. Linearization of this gives

$$(x,y,z)x + (y,x,z)x + (x,x,z)y \equiv 0$$
, or

$$(x,y,z)x \equiv -(y,x,z)x - (x,x,z)y.$$
 3.28

Using 3.27, 3.23, 3.24 in 3.28, we get

$$-\frac{\alpha}{k+1} + \beta \equiv k\alpha - \frac{1}{k+1}\beta. \text{ So } \frac{\left(k^2 + k + 1\right)}{k+1}\alpha \equiv \frac{\left(k + 2\right)}{k+1}\beta.$$

Using 3.23 and 3.24 to substitute for $\frac{\alpha}{k+1}$ and $\frac{\beta}{k+1}$ in the above equation gives

$$-(k^{2} + k + 1) x(x,y,z) = -(k+2) x(x,z,y). \text{ So}$$

$$(k^{2} + k + 1) x(x,y,z) = (k+2) x(x,z,y).$$

3.29

Linearizing 3.29, we obtain

$$(k^2+k+1)(w(x,y,z)+x(w,y,z)) \equiv (k+2)(w(x,z,y)+x(w,z,y)).$$
 3.30

By substituting w = u = (a,b,c) in 3.30 and using 3.9, we get

$$(k^2+k+1) x(u,y,z) \equiv (k+2) x(u,z,y).$$
 3.31

Linearizing 3.22, we have (u,z,y) = -(u,y,z). Using this in 3.31, we obtain

$$(k^2+k+1) x(u,y,z) \equiv -(k+2) x(u,y,z)$$

or $(k^2+2k+3) x(u,y,z) \equiv 0.$

i.e.,
$$((k+1)^2+2) x(u,y,z) \equiv 0$$
. Thus if $(k+1)^2+2 \neq 0$, we have $x(u,y,z) \equiv 0$, or $(x(u,y,z),n) = 0$ for all $n \in N$.

From P(u,y,z,x) = 0 and $u(y,z,x) \equiv 0$, we obtain $(u,y,z)x \equiv 0$, or ((u,y,z)x,n) = 0 for all $n \in N$. Thus $(u,y,z) \in T$. Since T = 0, we have (u,y,z) = 0.

Similarly
$$\frac{(k^2 + k + 1)}{k + 1} \alpha = \frac{(k + 2)}{k + 1} \beta$$
 also yields

$$\frac{\left(k^2+k+1\right)}{k+1}(y,z,x)x \equiv \frac{\left(k+2\right)}{k^2}(z,y,x)x.$$

Linearizing the above equation, we get

$$(k^2+k+1)((y,z,x)w+(y,z,w)x) \equiv (k+2)((z,y,x)w+(z,y,w)x).$$

By putting w = u = (a,b,c) in the above and using 3.9, we get

 $(k^2+k+1) (y,z,u)x \equiv (k+2) (z,y,u)x.$

Linearizing 3.22, we have (z,y,u) = -(y,z,u). Using this in the previous equation, we obtain

$$(k^2+k+1) (y,z,u)x \equiv -(k+2) (y,z,u)x$$

or $((k+1)^2 + 2)$ (y,z,u)x = 0. Thus if $(k+1)^2 + 2 \ne 0$, we have (y,z,u)x = 0, or ((y,z,u)x,n) = 0 for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now using P(x,y,z,u)=0 and $(x,y,z)u \equiv 0$, we get $x(y,z,u)\equiv 0$, or (x(y,z,u),n)=0, for all $n \in N$. Thus $(y,z,u) \in T$. Since T=0, we have (y,z,u)=0.

Now we have both (y,z,u) = 0 and (u,y,z) = 0. Using these two equations in 3.1, we get (z,u,y) = 0. Now we are in the situation where all associators are in the nucleus, i.e., $(R,R,R) \subset N$.

We use result in [1] to conclude that R must be associative. This completes the proof of the theorem.

We now consider a prime ring with the antiflexible identity

$$(x,y,z)=(z,y,x).$$

Now we prove the following theorem:

Theorem 3.3: If R is a prime third power associative antiflexible ring of char. $\neq 2,3$, then R is either associative or satisfies nucleus equals center, N=C.

Proof: Using the identity 3.32 in the linearization of (x,x,x) = 0, we obtain the identity 3.1. i.e., (x,y,z) + (y,z,x) + (z,x,y) = 0.

For every $n \in N$ and x, y, $z \in R$, we obtain from 3.2 that

$$(nx, y, z) = n (x, y, z).$$

Now using 3.32, 3.2 and 3.7, we have

$$(xn,y,z) = (z,y,xn) = (z,y,x)n = (x,y,z)n = n(x,y,z).$$

Consequently ((n,x),y,z) = 0.

3.33

3.32

Using 3.32 and 3.1, 3.33 allows us to conclude

$$(N,R) \subset N.$$
 3.34

Using 3.32 and 3.1 in semi-Jacobi identity 3.3 which holds in any ring, we have

$$(xy,z) = x(y,z) + (x,z)y - 2(x,z,y)$$
, or

$$(z,xy) = x(z,y) + (z,x)y + 2(x,z,y).$$

Replacing z by $n \in N$ in the above equation, we obtain

$$(n,xy) = x(n,y) + (n,x)y.$$
 3.35

Clearly $\sum (N,R) + R(N,R) = S$ is an ideal of R by 3.34 and 3.35.

Now we define $V = \{u \in R/(N,R)u = 0\}.$

For $u \in V$, $r \in R$, we have

$$(n,x)\cdot ur = ((n,x)u)r - ((n,x),u,r).$$

Using definition of V and 3.33 in the above equation, we get $(n,x) \cdot ur = 0$. So $ur \in V$. At this point V is a right ideal of R.

Also we have $(n,x) \cdot ru = (n,x)r \cdot u - ((n,x),r,u) = (n,x)r \cdot u$.

Using 3.35 and definition of *V* in the above equation, we get

$$(n,x) \cdot ru = ((n,xr) - x(n,r)) u$$
$$= -(x(n,r))u$$

$$=-(x,(n,r),u)+x((n,r)u).$$

Using 3.34 and definition of V, we obtain $(n,x) \cdot ru = 0$. Thus $ru \in V$. Therefore V is an ideal of R. Hence SV = 0. Since R is prime, we have either S = 0 or V = 0. By assuming that $N \neq C$ we have $S \neq 0$ and therefore V = 0.

We have
$$(n,y)(x,y,z) = ny(x,y,z) - yn(x,y,z)$$

= $ny(x,y,z) - y(x,y,z)n$
= $(n,y(x,y,z))$.

However 3.2 implies x(y,y,z) = (xy,y,z) - (x,yy,z) + (x,y,yz) - (x,y,y)z.

Using 3.7, 3.32 and 3.2, we have the following.

$$(n,x(y,y,z)) = -(n,(x,y,y)z) = -(n,(y,y,x)z) = (n,y(y,x,z)) = (n,y(z,x,y)).$$
 3.36

Using 3.36, 3.32, 3.2 and 3.1, we obtain

$$(n,y(y,z,x)) = (n,z(x,y,y)) = (n,z(y,y,x)) = (n,y(x,z,y)) = -(n,(y,x,z)y) = -(n,(z,x,y)y) = (n,((x,y,z)+(y,z,x))y) = -(n,x(y,z,y)+y(z,x,y)) = (n,2x(z,y,y)-y(z,x,y)) = (n,2x(y,y,z)-y(z,x,y)) = (n,2y(z,x,y)-y(z,x,y)).$$

i.e.,
$$(n,y(y,z,x)) = (n,y(z,x,y)).$$
 3.37

Similarly, we obtain

$$(n, y(x, y, z)) = (n, y(z, x, y)).$$
 3.38

From the identity 3.1, we have

$$y(x,y,z) + y(y,z,x) + y(z,x,y) = 0$$
. So $(n,y(x,y,z)) + (n,y(y,z,x)) + (n,y(z,x,y)) = 0$.

Using 3.37 and 3.38 in the above equation, we get 3(n, y(x, y, z)) = 0.

Since R is of char. $\neq 3$, we have (n, y(x, y, z)) = 0. So

$$(n,y)(x,y,z) = 0,$$
 3.39

since (n, y) (x, y, z) = (n, y(x, y, z)).

Using 3.2, 3.34, and 3.39 gives

$$((n,y)x,y,z) = 0.$$
 3.40

From 3.35 we have (n, y)x = (n, yx) - y(n, x).

Using 3.40 and 3.34, we have

$$-(n,x)(y,y,z) = 0.$$
 3.41

From 3.41 it is clear that $(y,y,z) \in V = 0$. So R is left alternative. Using 3.32 we have (z,y,y) = 0.

Thus R must be alternative. So 3.1 gives

$$3(R,R,R) = 0.$$
 3.42

By linearizing 3.39, we get

(n,R) (R,(R,R,R),R) = -(n,(R,R,R)) (R,R,R) = 0 because of 3.7. Thus $(R,(R,R,R),R) \subset V = 0$. Therefore

$$(R,R,R) \subset N.$$
 3.43

In [1] equation 3.39 is shown to imply

$$2(R,R,R) (R,R,R) = 0. 3.44$$

But then 3.42 and 3.44 imply

$$(R,R,R)(R,R,R) = 0.$$
 3.45

At this point as in [1], we have that the associator ideal squares to zero. So R must be associative. This completes the proof of the theorem.

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