NON-HOMOGENEITY OF LIE AND JORDAN PRODUCTS UNDER NON-ABELIAN GRADINGS

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Let R be a G-graded associative ring, where G is a group with identity e. For $x, y \in R$, we denote [x, y] = xy - yx (Lie product) and $x \circ y = xy + yx$ (Jordan product).

Proposition 1. If G is abelian, then $[x,y] \in R_{gh}$ and $x \circ y \in R_{gh}$.

Proof. Straightforward. \Box

When G is non-abelian, homogeneity fails. We demonstrate this with an explicit counterexample.

Example 1. Consider $R = M_4(k)$ graded by $D_{10} = \langle a, b \mid a^5 = b^2 = e, ba = a^{-1}b \rangle$, with grading components:

$$R_{a^3} := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_b := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{ab} := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & k \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ k & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Direct computation yields