



SOME SPECIAL NEAR – RINGS

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ABSTRACT

In [4] ([5]) we defined a right near – ring N to be $\beta_1(\beta_2)$ if $xNy = Nxy(xNy = xyN)$ for all x, y in N . Following these we make an attempt in this paper to study the properties of those near – rings which satisfy the conditions $xNy = yxN$ and $xNy = Nyx$.

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1. INTRODUCTION

A right near – ring is an algebraic system $(N, +, \cdot)$ with two binary operations '+' and ' \cdot ' such that

- (i) $(N, +)$ is a group with 0 as its identity.
- (ii) (N, \cdot) is a semigroup and
- (iii) $(x + y)z = xz + yz$ for all x, y, z in N .

Throughout this paper, N stands for a right near – ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ with at least two elements. Obviously, $0n = 0$ for all n in N . As in [2], a subgroup $(M, +)$ of $(N, +)$ is called (i) a left N – subgroup of N if $MN \subset M$, (ii) an N – subgroup of N if $NM \subset M$ and (iii) an invariant N – subgroup of N if M satisfies both (i) and (ii). Again in [2], N is defined to be weak commutative if $xyz = zxy$ for all x, y, z in N . The concept of mate function in N has been introduced in [6] with a view to handling the regularity structure with considerable ease. A map ' f ' from N into N is called (i) a mate function for N if $x = xf(x)x$. (ii) a P_3 mate function if in addition, $xf(x) = f(x)x$ for all x in N . By identity 1 of N , we mean only the multiplicative identity of N .

Basic concepts and terms used but left undefined in this paper can be found in [2].

2. NOTATIONS

- (i) E denotes the set of all idempotents of N . (e in N is called an idempotent if $e^2 = e$)
- (ii) L denotes the set of all nilpotents of N . (a in N is nilpotent if $a^k = 0$ for some positive integer k)
- (iii) $N_d = \{n \in N / n(x+y) = nx + ny \text{ for all } x, y \text{ in } N\}$ - set of all distributive elements of N .
- (iv) $C(N) = \{n \in N / nx = xn \text{ for all } x \text{ in } N\}$ - centre of N .
- (v) $N_0 = \{n \in N / n0 = 0\}$ – zero -symmetric part of N .

3. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We freely make use of the following results and designate them as $R(1), R(2), \dots$ etc

$R(1)N$ has no non – zero nilpotent elements if and only if $x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ for all x in N . (Problem 14, p.9 of [3]).

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R(2) If f is a mate function for N , then for every x in N , $xf(x)$, $f(x)x \in E$ and $Nx = Nf(x)x$, $xN = xf(x)N$. (Lemma 3.2 of [6])

R(3) If $L = \{0\}$ and $N = N_0$ then (i) $xy = 0 \Rightarrow yx = 0$ for all x, y in N (ii) N has Insertion of Factors Property – IFP for short (i. e) for x, y in N , $xy = 0 \Rightarrow xny = 0$ for all n in N . If N satisfies (i) and (ii) then N is said to have $(*, IFP)$ (Lemma 2.3 of [6])

R(4) Any weak commutative near – ring with a left identity is pseudo commutative (i.e) $xyz = zyx$ for all x, y, z in N . (Proposition 2.8 of [7])

R(5) N has strong IFP if and only if for all ideals I of N , and for all $x, y, n \in N$, $xy \in I \Rightarrow xny \in I$ (Proposition 9.2, p. 289 of [2]).

4. β_3 AND β_4 NEAR – RINGS

In this section we define β_3 and β_4 near – rings and give certain examples of these new concepts.

Definition: 4.1 Let N be a right near– ring. If for all x, y in N , $xNy = yxN$ ($xNy = Nyx$) then we say N is a β_3 near – ring (β_4 near – ring).

Examples: 4.2

(a) Let $(N, +)$ be the Klein’s four group with multiplication defined as per scheme 7, p.408 of Pilz [2]

·	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	a
b	0	0	b	b
c	0	a	b	c

This near – ring N is β_3 as well as β_4 . Here, the identity function serves as a mate function.

(b) Then near – ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ where $(N,+)$ is defined on Klein’s four group with $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$ and ‘ \cdot ’ defined as per scheme 14, p.408 of Pilz [2]

·	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	c
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	0	c

is neither β_3 (since $aNc \neq caN$) nor β_4 (since $aNc \neq Nca$). It is worth noting that this near – ring does not admit mate functions.

(c) Let N be an arbitrary near –ring. Let I be the ideal generated by $\{anb - ban' / a, b, n, n' \text{ are in } N\}$. The factor near – ring $\bar{N} = N/I$ is a β_3 near – ring.

(d) Let N be an arbitrary near – ring. Let I be the ideal generated by $\{anb - n'ba/a, b, n, n' \text{ are in } N\}$. The factor near – ring $\bar{N} = N/I$ is a β_4 near – ring

5. β_3 near – Ring

In this section we study some of the important properties of a β_3 near – rings and give a complete characterization of such near – rings.

Proposition: 5.1 If N is a β_3 near – ring, then $xNx = x^2N$ for all x in N .

Proof: When N is a β_3 near – ring, by definition, for all x, y in N , $xNy = yxN$ (1)

The result follows by replacing y by x in (1)

Remark: 5.2 The converse of Proposition 5.1 is not true. For example, we consider the near- ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ where $(N, +)$ is the Klein’s four group $\{0, a, b, c\}$ and ‘ \cdot ’ is defined as per scheme 3, p.408 of Pilz [2]

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	0	a	a
b	0	0	b	b
c	0	0	c	c

satisfies the condition $xNx = x^2N$ for all x in N . But it is not a β_3 near – ring. [Since $aNb \neq baN$].

Proposition: 5.3 Let N be a β_3 near – ring with identity 1. Then we have the following:

- (i) N is zero symmetric.
- (ii) N has strong IFP.
- (iii) Every N –subgroup of N is invariant.
- (iv) Every left N –subgroup of N is an N - subgroup if $N = N_d$.

Proof: Let N be a β_3 near – ring. Then for all x, y in N , $xNy = yxN$ (1)

(i) Putting $x=1$ in (1), we get, $1Ny = y1N$ for all y in N . When $y=0$, $N0 = 0N = \{0\}$. It follows that N is zero-symmetric.

(ii) Let I be an ideal of N (2)

and let $xy \in I$. Now, $y1x \in yNx$ [since $1 \in N$] = xyN [by (1)] $\in IN \subseteq I$ [by (2)].

Therefore, $yx \in I$ (3)

Now, for any n in N , we have $xny \in xNy = yxN$ [by (1)] $\in IN \subseteq I$ [by(2)]. From R(5), it follows that N has strong IFP.

(iii) Let S be any N -subgroup of N . Then $S = \sum_{x \in S} Nx$ (4)

Now, $NxN = Nx1N = N1Nx$ [by (1)] = $NNx \subset Nx \Rightarrow NxN \subset Nx$ (5)

Therefore, $SN = [\sum_{x \in S} Nx].N$ [by (4)] $\subset \sum_{x \in S} NxN \subset \sum_{x \in S} Nx$ [by(5)] = S [by(4)].

Consequently S is an invariant N -subgroup.

(iv) Let S be any left N -subgroup of N where $N = N_d$. Then $S = \sum_{x \in S} xN$ (6)

Now, $NxN = 1NxN = x1NN$ [by (1)] = $xNN \subset xN$ [since $SN \subset S$] $\Rightarrow NxN \subset xN$ (7)

Hence $NS = N[\sum_{x \in S} xN]$ [by(6)] $\subset \sum_{x \in S} NxN \subset \sum_{x \in S} xN$ [by(7)] = S [by(6)]. Consequently, every left N – subgroup is an N – subgroup.

Proposition: 5.4 Any homomorphic image of a β_3 near–ring is also a β_3 near–ring.

Proof: Straight forward.

Theorem: 5.5 Every β_3 near – ring N is isomorphic to a subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible β_3 near – rings.

Proof: By Theorem 1.62, p. 26 of Pilz [2], N is isomorphic to a subdirect product of subdirectly irreducible near–rings N_i 's and each N_i is a homomorphic image of N under the projection map π_i . The rest of the proof is taken care of by Proposition 5.4.

We furnish below a necessary and sufficient condition for a β_3 near – ring to admit mate functions.

Proposition: 5.6 Let N be the β_3 near - ring. Then N admits mate functions if and only if $x \in x^2N$ for all x in N .

Proof: We first observe from Proposition 5.2 that, since N is β_3 , $xNx = x^2N$ for all x in N (1)

For the ‘only if part’, we assume that f is a the mate function for N . Then for all x in N , $x = xf(x)$ $x \in xNx$. It follows that $x \in x^2N$.

For the ‘if part’ let $x \in x^2N$ for all x in N . Appealing to (1) we get $x = xnx$ for some n in N . By setting $n = f(x)$, we see that f is a mate function for N .

In the following results we assume that N has a mate function.

Theorem: 5.7 Let $N=N_d$ be a zero – symmetric β_3 near – ring with a mate function. Then we have,

- (i) $L=\{0\}$
- (ii) N has $(*, IFP)$
- (iii) $E \subset C(N)$
- (iv) $xN \cap yN = yNxN = xyN$ for all x, y in N .

Proof: (i) Since f is a mate function for N , Proposition 5.6 demands that $x \in x^2N$ for all x in N . Therefore, $x = x^2n$ for some n in N . Suppose $x^2 = 0$. Clearly then $x = 0$. Now, R(1) guarantees that $L = \{0\}$.

(ii) By (i) $L = \{0\}$. Now, R(3) guarantees that N has $(*, IFP)$.

(iii) Let $e \in E$. Since N is β_3 , $eNe = eeN = eN$. Therefore, for any n in N , $ene = eu$ and $en = eve$ for some u, v in N .

$$\text{Now, } ene = (eu)e \text{ and } (en)e = eve. \text{ Thus } ene = en \text{ for all } n \text{ in } N \tag{1}$$

We also have, $e(ne-ene) = 0$ [since $N=N_d$] $\Rightarrow ene(ne-ene) = 0$ [by(ii)]. And $ne(ne-ene) = n.0 = 0$ [Since $N = N_0$].

$$\text{Consequently, } (ne-ene)^2 = 0 \text{ and (i) guarantees } ne-ene = 0. \text{ Therefore, } ene = ne \text{ for all } n \text{ in } N \tag{2}$$

Combining (1) and (2) we get $en = ne$ for all n in N . Thus $E \subset C(N)$.

(iv) First we show that for any left N -subgroups A and B of N , $A \cap B = BA$. By Proposition 5.3 (iv), A and B are N -subgroups of N . Now, for $x \in A$ and $y \in B$, $yx \in BN \subset B$. Therefore, $BA \subset B$ (3)

$$\text{Also, } yx \in NA \subset A. \text{ Hence } BA \subset A \tag{4}$$

$$\text{Combining (3) and (4), } BA \subset A \cap B \tag{5}$$

On the other hand, if $z \in A \cap B$ then since ' f ' is a mate function for N , $z = zf(z)z \in (BN)A \subset BA$.

$$\text{Consequently, } A \cap B \subset BA \tag{6}$$

Combining (5) and (6) $A \cap B = BA$ for all left N -subgroups A, B of N . We know that, xN and yN are left N - subgroups of N .

$$\text{Therefore, } xN \cap yN = yNxN \text{ for all } x, y \text{ in } N. \tag{7}$$

On the other hand, if $y \in N$, then, Since f is a mate function for N , $yN = (yf(y)y)N \subset yNN \Rightarrow xyN \subset xyNN = yNxN$ [since N is β_3].

$$\text{Therefore, } xyN \subset yNxN \tag{8}$$

$$\text{For the reverse inclusion, } yNxN = xyNN \text{ [since } N \text{ is } \beta_3] \subset xyN. \text{ Therefore, } yNxN \subset xyN \tag{9}$$

$$\text{From (8) and (9), } yNxN = xyN \tag{10}$$

for all x, y in N . Combining (7) and (10) we get $xN \cap yN = yNxN = xyN$ for all x, y in N .

We furnish below a characterization theorem for β_3 near –ring.

Theorem: 5.8 Let $N=N_d$ be a zero–symmetric near-ring with a mate function f . Then N is β_3 if and only if $xyN = yxN$ for all x, y in N and $E \subset C(N)$.

$$\text{Proof: For the 'only if part', first we observe that } E \subset C(N) \tag{1}$$

[by Theorem 5.7 (iii)]. Since f is a mate function for N . Now, $xyN = xN \cap yN$ [by Theorem 5.7(iv)] $= yN \cap xN = yxN$ [by Theorem 5.7(iv)].

For the ‘if part’, first we show that ‘ f ’ is a P_3 mate function for any $x \in N$ we have $x = xf(x)x = x^2f(x)$ [Since $E \subset C(N) \Rightarrow x(f(x)x - xf(x)) = 0 \Rightarrow xf(x)(f(x)x - xf(x)) = 0$ [by Theorem 5.7(ii)] and $f(x)x(f(x)x - xf(x)) = f(x).0 = 0$ [since $N = N_0$]. Consequently, $(f(x)x - xf(x))^2 = 0$ and hence $xf(x) = f(x)x \dots\dots\dots(7)$ for all x in N [by R(1)].

Hence f is a P_3 matefunction. Now, $xNy = xNf(y)y = xNyf(y)$ [by (7)]= $x[yf(y)N]$ [Since $E \subset C(N)$] = $xyN = yxN$ [by hypothesis].

6. β_4 near – ring

Throughout this section N denotes a β_4 near–ring. In this section we study some of the important properties.

Proposition: 6.1 If N is a β_4 near – ring, then $xNx = Nx^2$ for all x in N .

Proof: When N is a β_4 near-ring, by definition for all x, y in N , $xNy = Nyx$ (1)

The result follows by replacing y by x in (1).

Remark: 6.2 The converse of Proposition 6.1 is not true. For example, Consider the near – ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ where $(N, +)$ is the Klein’s four group $\{0, a, b, c\}$ and ‘ \cdot ’ is defined as per scheme 13, p.408 of Pilz [2]

\cdot	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	b	c
b	0	0	0	0
c	0	a	b	c

Satisfies the condition $xNx = Nx^2$ for all x in N . But it is not a β_4 near – ring [since $aNb \neq Nba$].

Proposition: 6.3 If N is a β_4 near – ring, then $NxNy = NyNx$ for all x, y in N .

Proof: Since N is a β_4 near – ring, we have $xNy = Nyx$ (1)

for all x, y in N . Now, for any x, y, n in N , $(nx) Ny \subset Nx Ny \Rightarrow Ny(nx) \subset NxNy$ [by(1)] $\Rightarrow NyNx \subset NxNy$ (2)

On the other hand, $(ny) Nx \subset NyNx \Rightarrow Nx(ny) \subset NyNx$ [by(1)] $\Rightarrow NxNy \subset NyNx$ (3)

Combining (2) and (3), $NxNy = NyNx$ for all x, y in N .

Remark: 6.4 The converse of Proposition 6.4 is not valid. For example, the near– ring $(N, +, \cdot)$ where $(N, +)$ is the Klein’s four group $\{0, a, b, c\}$ and ‘ \cdot ’ is defined as per scheme 20, p.408 of Pilz [2]

\cdot	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	a	a	a
b	0	a	b	c
c	a	0	c	b

satisfies the condition $NxNy = NyNx$ for all x, y in N . But it is not a β_4 near – ring [since $0Na \neq Na0$]

Theorem: 6.5 Every weak commutative near – ring with identity is β_4 .

Proof: Let N be a weak commutative near – ring (1)

Let $x, y \in N$. For any $n \in N$, $xny = xyn$ [by(1)] = nyx [byR(4)] $\in Nyx$. Thus $xNy \subset Nyx$ (2)

On the other hand, for n_1 in N , $n_1yx = xyn_1$ [by R(4)] = xn_1y [by(1)] $\in xNy$. Consequently, $Nyx \subset xNy$ (3)

Combining (2) and (3) we get, N is a β_4 near – ring.

Proposition: 6.6 In a β_4 near – ring, if $N = N_d$ then $xM = Mx$ for all N - subgroups M of N .

Proof: Let N be a β_4 near – ring. Then for any x, y in N , $xNy = Nyx$ (1)

Let $M = \sum_{y \in M} Ny$ be an N - subgroup of N . (2)

Then $xM = x \sum_{y \in M} Ny = \sum_{y \in M} x(Ny) = \sum_{y \in M} Nyx$ [by(1)] = $[\sum_{y \in M} Ny]x = Mx$ [by(2)].

In view of Theorem 5.7 it is worth mentioning that a β_4 near – ring also possesses certain properties which are satisfied by a β_3 near – ring as in the following result.

Theorem: 6.7 Let N be a zero-symmetric β_4 near – ring with mate function. Then we have,

- (i) $L = \{0\}$
- (ii) N has $(*, IFP)$
- (iii) $E \subset C(N)$
- (iv) $Nx \cap Ny = Ny \cap Nx = Nxy$ for all x, y in N .

Proof:

(i) Since f is a mate function for N , we have $x = xf(x)$ $x \in xNx$. It follows that $x \in Nx^2$ [by Proposition 6.1]. Therefore, $x = nx^2$ for some n in N . Suppose $x^2 = 0$. Clearly, then $x = 0$. Now, R(1) guarantees that $L = \{0\}$.

(ii) By (i) $L = \{0\}$. Now, R(3) guarantees that N has $(*, IFP)$.

(iii) Let $e \in E$. Since N is β_4 , $eNe = Nee = Ne$. Therefore for any n in N , $ene = ue$ and $ne = eve$ for some u, v in N .

Now, $ene = eue$ and $ene = eve$. Thus $ene = ne$ for all n in N (1)

We also have, $(en - ene)e = 0 \Rightarrow e(en - ene) = 0$ [by(ii)] $\Rightarrow ene(en - ene) = 0$ [by(ii)].

Consequently, $(en - ene)^2 = 0$ and (i) guarantees $ene = en$ for all n in N (2)

Combining (1) and (2) we get $ne = en$ for all n in N . Thus $E \subset C(N)$.

(iv) The result follows by replacing the left N -subgroups xN, yN in the proof of Theorem 5.7(iv) by the right N -subgroups Nx, Ny respectively.

We furnish below a characterization theorem for β_4 near – ring.

Theorem: 6.8 Let N be a zero – symmetric near – ring with a mate function f . Then N is β_4 if and only if $Nxy = Nyx$ for all x, y in N and $E \subset C(N)$.

Proof: The proof is similar to that of Theorem 5.8.

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