

REMARKS CONCERNING TWO QUASI-FROBENIUS RINGS WITH ISOMORPHIC RADICALS

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The purpose of this short note is to make some supplementary remarks to the author's previous work [2] and refine theorem 2 of [2]. Let A and \tilde{A} be two quasi-Frobenius rings and let the radical \tilde{N} of \tilde{A} be isomorphic to the radical N of A ; we shall identify \tilde{N} with N and say that A and \tilde{A} have the same radical N . Let

$$A = \sum_{\kappa=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{f(\kappa)} Ae_{\kappa,i}$$

be a decomposition of A into direct sum of indecomposable left ideals; the elements $e_{\kappa,i}$ ($1 \leq \kappa \leq k, 1 \leq i \leq f(\kappa)$) are mutually orthogonal primitive idempotents of A such that $Ae_{\kappa,i} \cong Ae_{\lambda,j}$ if and only if $\kappa = \lambda$. We put $e_{\kappa,1} = e_{\kappa}$, $\sum_i e_{\kappa,i} = E_{\kappa}$; $E = \sum_{\kappa} E_{\kappa}$ is the unit element of A . Further, let $\tilde{e}_{\kappa,i}, \tilde{E}_{\kappa}$, etc. have the same meaning to \tilde{A} as $e_{\kappa,i}, E_{\kappa}$, etc. to A . For a subset S of A we denote the left [right] annihilators of S by $l_A(S)$ [$r_A(S)$]; the notations $l_{\tilde{A}}(S)$, $l_N(S)$ etc. may be defined similarly.

Remembering theorem 1 of [2], we shall assume in this note that both A and \tilde{A} are bound rings and that $M = l_N(N) = r_N(N)$ is contained in N^2 . Then by theorem 2 of [2] $\tilde{A} = A/N$ is isomorphic to $\tilde{\tilde{A}} = \tilde{A}/N$; moreover, there is a (unique) 1-1 correspondence between the simple constituents of \tilde{A} and those of $\tilde{\tilde{A}}$. So that we may assume, after a suitable reordering, that $\tilde{A}_{\kappa} = \tilde{A}E_{\kappa}$ corresponds to $\tilde{\tilde{A}}_{\kappa} = \tilde{\tilde{A}}E_{\kappa}$ in this correspondence ($1 \leq \kappa \leq k$).

PROPOSITION 1. *Let A and \tilde{A} be as above. Let $l \supset l'$ be two left A -ideals contained in N and let the factor module l/l' be simple and isomorphic to Ae_{κ}/Ne_{κ} . Assume moreover that l and l' are left \tilde{A} -ideals. Then l/l' is also a simple \tilde{A} -module and is isomorphic to $\tilde{A}\tilde{e}_{\kappa}/N\tilde{e}_{\kappa}$. Similarly for right ideals.*

Proof. First we assume that $l \smile M = l' \smile M$. Then we must have $l \frown M \cong l' \frown M$, and there exists a minimal left A -ideal l_0 in M such that $l \frown M = l' \frown M + l_0$; from this it follows that $l = l' + l_0$ and the assumption $l/l' \cong Ae_{\kappa}/Ne_{\kappa}$ shows that $l_0 \cong Ae_{\kappa}/Ne_{\kappa}$. As l_0 is also a left \tilde{A} -ideal, we have that $l/l' \cong l_0 \cong \tilde{A}\tilde{e}_{\kappa}/N\tilde{e}_{\kappa}$ is a simple \tilde{A} -module. Now assume that $l \smile M \not\cong l' \smile M$. In this case, $l \frown M$ must coincide with $l' \frown M$. In fact, if $l \frown M \cong l' \frown M$, we have for a suitable left A -ideal l^* in M $l \frown M = l' \frown M + l^*$, which implies $l = l' + l^*$ since l/l' is a simple A -module. This contradicts the assumption $l \smile M \not\cong l' \smile M$. Now, note that $l \smile M/l' \smile M = l \smile (l' \smile M)/l' \smile M \cong l/l'$ (as A -modules

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and at the same time as \tilde{A} -modules); as $l/l' \cong Ae_\kappa/Ne_\kappa$ (as an A -module), $l \simeq M/l' \simeq M$ is a simple A -module and hence is a simple \tilde{A} -module (by lemma 1 of [2]). Therefore l/l' is a simple left \tilde{A} -module. In order to show that l/l' is isomorphic to $\tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\kappa/N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ as an \tilde{A} -module, we take an element $a (\neq 0)$ in $r_N(l') - r_N(l)$; the mapping $x \rightarrow xa (x \in l)$ is an A -homomorphism of l into M , and by our assumptions we have $la \cong Ae_\kappa/Ne_\kappa$. This mapping, however, is also an \tilde{A} -homomorphism of l ; then, since $la \cong \tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\kappa/N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ (as an \tilde{A} -module) we have $l/l' \cong \tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\kappa/N\tilde{e}_\kappa$.

Let the index of N be $\rho: N \supset N^2 \supset \dots \supset N^{\rho-1} \supset N^\rho = 0$. For the ring A we denote by $t_{\kappa\lambda}$ the number of simple submodules of the completely reducible module $N^\tau e_\lambda / N^{\tau+1} e_\lambda$ which are isomorphic to the simple module $Ae_\kappa / Ne_\kappa (1 \leq \kappa, \lambda \leq k, 0 \leq \tau \leq \rho - 1; N^0 = A)$. The same number for the ring \tilde{A} will be denoted by $\tilde{t}_{\kappa\lambda}$. Then the numbers

$$c_{\kappa\lambda} = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\rho-1} t_{\kappa\lambda}^\tau \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{c}_{\kappa\lambda} = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\rho-1} \tilde{t}_{\kappa\lambda}^\tau$$

are the left Cartan invariants of A and \tilde{A} , respectively.²⁾

PROPOSITION 2. *Let A and \tilde{A} be as above. Then there exists an N -isomorphism between two left N -ideals Ne_κ and $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$; and, by this isomorphism every left A -subideal of Ne_κ is mapped onto a left \tilde{A} -subideal of $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ and conversely. Moreover, let $l \supset l'$ be two \tilde{A} -subideals of Ne_κ such that $l/l' \cong Ae_\lambda/Ne_\lambda$; let \tilde{l}, \tilde{l}' be the corresponding left \tilde{A} -subideals of $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ (by this isomorphism). Then $\tilde{l}/\tilde{l}' \cong \tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\lambda/N\tilde{e}_\lambda$. Similarly for right ideals.*

Proof. At the outset we observe that the left A -ideal Ne_κ has the unique minimal subideal Me_κ ; similarly, $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ has the unique minimal subideal $M\tilde{e}_\kappa$. We may assume, without loss of generality, that Me_κ coincides with $M\tilde{e}_\kappa$. Now consider a mapping $\varphi: x \rightarrow x\tilde{e}_\kappa (x \in Ne_\kappa)$ and a mapping $\tilde{\varphi}: y \rightarrow y\tilde{e}_\kappa (y \in N\tilde{e}_\kappa)$; by the proof of prop. 7 of [2] φ is an N -isomorphism of Ne_κ into $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ and maps every A -subideal of Ne_κ onto an \tilde{A} -subideal of $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$; similar fact is valid for $\tilde{\varphi}$. Further, φ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ are onto mappings; in fact, the composed mapping $\tilde{\varphi}\varphi: x \rightarrow (x\tilde{e}_\kappa)\tilde{e}_\kappa$ is an N -isomorphism of Ne_κ into itself and maps every A -subideal of Ne_κ onto an A -subideal. Therefore, considering the composition length of Ne_κ , both φ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ must be onto mappings. We have thus proved our first assertion. Let now $l \supset l'$ be two A -subideals of Ne_κ such that $l/l' \cong Ae_\lambda/Ne_\lambda$. Then $\varphi(l)$ and $\varphi(l')$ are \tilde{A} -subideals of $N\tilde{e}_\kappa$ and $\varphi(l)/\varphi(l')$ is a simple \tilde{A} -module. Assume that $\varphi(l)/\varphi(l')$ is isomorphic to $\tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\mu/N\tilde{e}_\mu$, say. As $M\tilde{e}_\kappa$ is the unique minimal \tilde{A} -subideal of $\varphi(l)$ (and of $\varphi(l')$), there exists an element \tilde{a} of N such that $\varphi(l)\tilde{a} \neq 0, \varphi(l')\tilde{a} = 0$; here, $\varphi(l)\tilde{a}$ is obviously a simple left \tilde{A} -ideal and $\varphi(l)\tilde{a} \cong \tilde{A}\tilde{e}_\mu/N\tilde{e}_\mu$. But, $\varphi(l)\tilde{a} = l \cdot \tilde{e}_\kappa \tilde{a}$ ($\tilde{e}_\kappa \tilde{a}$ is an element of N) and $\varphi(l')\tilde{a} = l' \cdot \tilde{e}_\kappa \tilde{a} = 0$ show that l/l' is isomorphic to $\varphi(l)\tilde{a} (\cong Ae_\mu/Ne_\mu)$ as an A -module; we have hence $\mu = \lambda$.

1) As $l \simeq M \cong l' \simeq M$, we must have $r_N(l') \cong r_N(l)$.
 2) For these notions see Artin-Nesbitt-Thrall [1], Ch. 9.

The following theorem is now immediate.

THEOREM. *Let A and \tilde{A} be as above. Then we have $t_{\kappa\lambda} = \tilde{t}_{\kappa\lambda}$ ($1 \leq \kappa, \lambda \leq k$, $0 \leq \tau \leq \rho - 1$); in particular, the left Cartan invariants $c_{\kappa\lambda}$ of A coincide with those, $\tilde{c}_{\kappa\lambda}$, of \tilde{A} . The same fact is also valid for the right-hand side invariants.*

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