

CONCERNING AUTOMORPHISMS OF NON-ASSOCIATIVE ALGEBRAS

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In their studies of non-associative algebras A. A. Albert and N. Jacobson have made much use of the relationships which exist between an arbitrary non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} and its associative transformation algebra $T(\mathfrak{A})$. In this paper we are interested in the automorphism group \mathfrak{G} of \mathfrak{A} , and we sharpen the results of Jacobson [3, §4]¹ and Albert [2, §9] in the sense that we prove \mathfrak{G} isomorphic to a *well-defined* subgroup of the automorphism group of each of three associative algebras (§§2, 3).

Incidental to our proofs is the reconstruction (in the sense of equivalence) of an arbitrary non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity element 1 from $T(\mathfrak{A})$ and from either of the enveloping algebras $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ of respectively the right or left multiplications of \mathfrak{A} . This paper has been expanded in accordance with suggestions of the referee to include a more detailed study of the right ideals used in this reconstruction process (§5).

1. **Preliminaries.** Our notations are chiefly those of Albert as given in [1]. We regard a non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} of order n over a field \mathfrak{F} as consisting of a linear space \mathfrak{L} of order n over \mathfrak{F} , a linear space $R(\mathfrak{A})$ of linear transformations R_x on \mathfrak{L} of order $m \leq n$ over \mathfrak{F} , and a linear mapping of \mathfrak{L} on $R(\mathfrak{A})$,

$$(1) \quad x \rightarrow R_x.$$

The elements R_x of $R(\mathfrak{A})$ are called *right multiplications*, and $R(\mathfrak{A})$ the *right multiplication space* of \mathfrak{A} . Multiplication in \mathfrak{A} is defined by

$$(2) \quad a \cdot x = aR_x.$$

The linearity of the right multiplications and of (1) insures distributivity in \mathfrak{A} as well as the usual laws of scalar multiplication. We shall use the fact that, in case \mathfrak{A} contains no absolute right divisor of zero (an element x such that $a \cdot x = 0$ for all a in \mathfrak{A}), the mapping (1) is nonsingular and the order of $R(\mathfrak{A})$ over \mathfrak{F} is n .

The linear transformations L_x defined by

$$(3) \quad a \rightarrow x \cdot a = aL_x$$

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¹ Numbers in brackets refer to the references cited at the end of the paper.

are called *left multiplications* of \mathfrak{A} and form the *left multiplication space* $L(\mathfrak{A})$ of \mathfrak{A} . The algebra \mathfrak{A} may equally well be regarded as consisting of \mathfrak{L} , $L(\mathfrak{A})$, and the linear mapping

$$(4) \quad x \rightarrow L_x$$

of \mathfrak{L} on $L(\mathfrak{A})$. Both $R(\mathfrak{A})$ and $L(\mathfrak{A})$ are linear subspaces of the total matrix algebra $(\mathfrak{F})_n$ of all linear transformations on \mathfrak{L} .

If \mathfrak{M} is a subset of $(\mathfrak{F})_n$, the algebra of all polynomials in the transformations in \mathfrak{M} with coefficients in \mathfrak{F} is called the *enveloping algebra* of \mathfrak{M} , and is denoted by $E(\mathfrak{M})$. We are particularly concerned with the enveloping algebras $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ and $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ of respectively the right and left multiplications of \mathfrak{A} , and with the *transformation algebra* $T(\mathfrak{A}) = E(I, R(\mathfrak{A}), L(\mathfrak{A}))$ which is the algebra of all polynomials with coefficients in \mathfrak{F} in the right and left multiplications of \mathfrak{A} and the identity transformation I in $(\mathfrak{F})_n$. We shall have occasion to write an arbitrary element T of each of these algebras as follows:

$$(5) \quad T = f(R_x, R_y, \dots) \quad \text{for } T \text{ in } E(R(\mathfrak{A})),$$

$$(6) \quad T = f(L_x, L_y, \dots) \quad \text{for } T \text{ in } E(L(\mathfrak{A})),$$

$$(7) \quad T = f(I, R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) \quad \text{for } T \text{ in } T(\mathfrak{A}),$$

where x, y, \dots are elements of \mathfrak{A} . In case \mathfrak{A} contains a unity element 1 , then $R(\mathfrak{A})$ contains I , and we may write

$$(8) \quad T = f(R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) \quad \text{for } T \text{ in } T(\mathfrak{A}),$$

x, y, \dots in \mathfrak{A} .

If \mathfrak{B} is a linear subspace of \mathfrak{A} , the set of all R_b for b in \mathfrak{B} is a linear subspace $R(\mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{A})$ of $R(\mathfrak{A})$, and the set of all L_b is a linear subspace $L(\mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{A})$ of $L(\mathfrak{A})$.

An *automorphism* S of an algebra \mathfrak{A} is a nonsingular linear transformation $x \rightarrow xS$ of \mathfrak{A} on itself such that

$$(9) \quad (a \cdot x)S = aS \cdot xS$$

for all a, x in \mathfrak{A} . In terms of right and left multiplications, (9) may be written equivalently as

$$(10) \quad R_x S = S R_x$$

or

$$(11) \quad L_x S = S L_x$$

for all x in \mathfrak{A} . We shall use the facts that, if S is an automorphism of \mathfrak{A} , then S^{-1} is also, and if \mathfrak{A} has a unity element 1 , then $1S = 1$.

Inasmuch as the elements T of subalgebras of $(\mathfrak{F})_n$ are themselves linear transformations, we shall denote linear transformations on subalgebras of $(\mathfrak{F})_n$ —such as $T(\mathfrak{A})$, $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ —by Greek capitals, so that if Σ is a linear transformation on $T(\mathfrak{A})$, say, we may write (without confusion) the image of T under Σ as $T\Sigma$.

An automorphism S of \mathfrak{A} determines an automorphism Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ as follows: let T in $T(\mathfrak{A})$ be written in the form (7); then Σ is the mapping

$$(12) \quad T \rightarrow T\Sigma = f(I, R_{xS}, L_{xS}, R_{yS}, \dots) = S^{-1}TS.$$

For if S is an automorphism of \mathfrak{A} , then $R_x = SR_{xS}S^{-1}$, $L_x = SL_{xS}S^{-1}$ by (10), (11), and $T = f(I, R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) = f(I, SR_{xS}S^{-1}, SL_{xS}S^{-1}, SR_{yS}S^{-1}, \dots) = Sf(I, R_{xS}, L_{xS}, R_{yS}, \dots)S^{-1} = S(T\Sigma)S^{-1}$, or $T\Sigma = S^{-1}TS$. The mapping (12) is obviously an automorphism of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. Moreover, Σ induces automorphisms (which we do not distinguish notationally from Σ) on the subalgebras $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$:

$$(13) \quad T \rightarrow T\Sigma = f(R_{xS}, R_{yS}, \dots), \quad T \text{ in } E(R(\mathfrak{A})) \text{ as in (5),}$$

$$(14) \quad T \rightarrow T\Sigma = f(L_{xS}, L_{yS}, \dots), \quad T \text{ in } E(L(\mathfrak{A})) \text{ as in (6).}$$

If S determines Σ as in (12), then

$$(15) \quad R(\mathfrak{A})\Sigma = R(\mathfrak{A}), \quad L(\mathfrak{A})\Sigma = L(\mathfrak{A}),$$

since $R_x\Sigma = R_{xS}$ in $R(\mathfrak{A})$ while $L_x\Sigma = L_{xS}$ in $L(\mathfrak{A})$, and the nonsingularity of Σ eliminates the possibility of proper inclusion.

2. Automorphisms of an algebra with unity element. Let \mathfrak{A} be a non-associative algebra of order n over \mathfrak{F} with unity element 1. We consider the elements of \mathfrak{A} as comprising a linear space \mathfrak{L} of order n over \mathfrak{F} . Let \mathfrak{B} be any (associative) algebra of linear transformations on \mathfrak{L} which contains either $R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$. We intend to reconstruct \mathfrak{A} (in the sense of equivalence) as an algebra of residue classes of \mathfrak{B} .

Denote by \mathfrak{N} the set of all transformations N in \mathfrak{B} which annihilate 1, that is, for which $1N = 0$. Then \mathfrak{N} is a right ideal of \mathfrak{B} . For if N, N_1 are in \mathfrak{N} , then $1(\alpha N + \beta N_1) = \alpha 1N + \beta 1N_1 = 0$ for α, β in \mathfrak{F} , while $1NT = 0T = 0$ for any transformation T in \mathfrak{B} . Denote by \mathfrak{D} whichever set $R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$ is assumed to be contained in \mathfrak{B} , and by D_x correspondingly the transformation R_x or L_x . Then \mathfrak{B} is the supplementary sum $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{D} + \mathfrak{N}$. For T in \mathfrak{B} may be written uniquely in the form $T = D_t + N$, $1T = t$, N in \mathfrak{N} .

Since $1TN = tN$ which is not necessarily zero, \mathfrak{N} is not in general a two-sided ideal of \mathfrak{B} and we are not able to form the difference algebra $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ when we take residue classes $[T]$ modulo \mathfrak{N} . Instead we form

the difference group $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ of residue classes $[T]$ modulo \mathfrak{N} and have as usual a linear set over \mathfrak{F} with respect to the operations $[T] + [U] = [T + U]$, $\lambda[T] = [\lambda T]$ of addition and scalar multiplication. Define multiplication in this linear set as follows:

$$(16) \quad [T][U] = [X] \quad \text{where } 1X = 1T \cdot 1U,$$

where the multiplication on the right is that in \mathfrak{A} . To see that for any T, U in \mathfrak{B} such an X exists, we need only to note that, if $X = D_x$ for $x = 1T \cdot 1U$ in \mathfrak{A} , then $1X = 1T \cdot 1U$. This definition of multiplication is independent of the representatives T, U since if $[T] = [T_1]$, $[U] = [U_1]$, then there exist N, N_1 in \mathfrak{N} such that $T_1 = T + N$, $U_1 = U + N_1$, and $1T_1 \cdot 1U_1 = 1(T + N) \cdot 1(U + N_1) = 1T \cdot 1U$. With this multiplication the distributive laws hold in $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$. Hence $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ is a non-associative algebra over \mathfrak{F} . Since there are no difference algebras used in this paper, there should be no confusion in the use of the notation $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ for this algebra with multiplication defined by (16).

THEOREM 1. *Let \mathfrak{A} be a non-associative algebra over \mathfrak{F} with unity element 1, and \mathfrak{B} be any (associative) algebra of linear transformations on \mathfrak{A} containing either $R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$. If \mathfrak{N} is the right ideal of transformations in \mathfrak{B} annihilating 1, then the non-associative algebra $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ with multiplication defined by (16) is equivalent to \mathfrak{A} .*

For in each residue class $[T]$ there is a unique transformation D_t in \mathfrak{D} ($= R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$) such that $1T = 1D_t = t$. Then, since \mathfrak{A} contains neither absolute right nor absolute left divisors of zero, the (obviously linear) mapping

$$(17) \quad x \rightarrow D_x \rightarrow [D_x]$$

is one-to-one on \mathfrak{A} to $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$. But

$$(18) \quad [D_x][D_y] = [D_{xy}], \quad x, y \text{ in } \mathfrak{A},$$

since $xy = 1D_x \cdot 1D_y = 1D_{xy}$. Then (17) is an equivalence of \mathfrak{A} and $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ since $xy \rightarrow D_{xy} \rightarrow [D_{xy}] = [D_x][D_y]$ under (17).

Now $T(\mathfrak{A}), E(R(\mathfrak{A})), E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ are among the algebras of linear transformations on the vector space \mathfrak{A} underlying \mathfrak{A} which contain either $R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$ —or both, as in the case of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ —and may be used as the algebra \mathfrak{B} in Theorem 1. We denote by \mathfrak{N}_T the set of all N in $T(\mathfrak{A})$ annihilating 1 and write $\mathfrak{N}_R = \mathfrak{N}_T \cap E(R(\mathfrak{A})), \mathfrak{N}_L = \mathfrak{N}_T \cap E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$. Then Theorem 1 implies that if multiplication in the respective algebras of residue classes is defined by (16) we have $\mathfrak{A} \cong T(\mathfrak{A}) - \mathfrak{N}_T \cong E(R(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_R \cong E(L(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_L$.

In the proof of the next theorem we must distinguish between the

cases $\mathfrak{D} = R(\mathfrak{A})$ and $\mathfrak{D} = L(\mathfrak{A})$, and we use the following equations:

$$(19) \quad [R_x][R_y] = [R_{xy}] = [R_x R_y], \quad x, y \text{ in } \mathfrak{A},$$

$$(20) \quad [L_x][L_y] = [L_{xy}] = [L_y L_x], \quad x, y \text{ in } \mathfrak{A},$$

verification of which is similar to that of (18).

THEOREM 2. *Let \mathfrak{A} , \mathfrak{B} , and \mathfrak{N} be as in Theorem 1, and \mathfrak{D} be $R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$, whichever is assumed to be in \mathfrak{B} . If Σ is an automorphism of \mathfrak{B} such that $\mathfrak{N}\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}$ and $\mathfrak{D}\Sigma = \mathfrak{D}$, then Σ determines an automorphism S_Σ of \mathfrak{A} as follows:*

$$(21) \quad S_\Sigma: x \rightarrow [D_x] \rightarrow [D_x \Sigma] = [D_{x'}] \rightarrow x' = xS_\Sigma,$$

for x, x' in \mathfrak{A} , where the $[D_x]$ are elements of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N} \cong \mathfrak{A}$.

Note first that the mapping

$$(22) \quad [T] \rightarrow [T \Sigma]$$

of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ on itself is well-defined, since if $[T] = [T_1]$ then $T = T_1 + N$ for N in \mathfrak{N} , and $T\Sigma = (T_1 + N)\Sigma = T_1\Sigma + N\Sigma = T_1\Sigma + N_1$ with N_1 in \mathfrak{N} since $\mathfrak{N}\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}$. Hence $[T\Sigma] = [T_1\Sigma]$. Inasmuch as the correspondences $x \rightarrow [D_x]$ and $[D_{x'}] \rightarrow x'$ are equivalences between \mathfrak{A} and $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$, we need only to show that (22) is an automorphism of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ in order to show that (21) is an automorphism of \mathfrak{A} . Now (22) is linear since $\alpha[T] + \beta[U] = [\alpha T + \beta U] \rightarrow [(\alpha T + \beta U)\Sigma] = [\alpha T\Sigma + \beta U\Sigma] = \alpha[T\Sigma] + \beta[U\Sigma]$, and is nonsingular since $[T] \rightarrow [T\Sigma] = [0]$ implies $T\Sigma = N$ in \mathfrak{N} , $T = N\Sigma^{-1} = N_1$ in \mathfrak{N} , $[T] = [0]$. Since $\mathfrak{D}\Sigma = \mathfrak{D}$, there exists an element x_1 of \mathfrak{A} such that $D_x\Sigma = D_{x_1}$. But then $x_1 = x'$ since there is a unique transformation in \mathfrak{D} in each residue class of \mathfrak{B} modulo \mathfrak{N} . We may write $x' = xS_\Sigma$ and

$$(23) \quad D_x \Sigma = D_{xS_\Sigma}.$$

We distinguish now between the cases $\mathfrak{D} = R(\mathfrak{A})$ and $\mathfrak{D} = L(\mathfrak{A})$. Let $\mathfrak{D} = R(\mathfrak{A})$ so that (19) holds. Then, since Σ is an automorphism of \mathfrak{B} , we have $[R_x][R_y] = [R_x R_y] \rightarrow [(R_x R_y)\Sigma] = [(R_x\Sigma)(R_y\Sigma)] = [R_{xS_\Sigma} R_{yS_\Sigma}] = [R_{xS_\Sigma}][R_{yS_\Sigma}] = [R_x\Sigma][R_y\Sigma]$ under (22) which is an automorphism of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ as desired. In case $\mathfrak{D} = L(\mathfrak{A})$ it follows from (20) that $[L_x][L_y] = [L_y L_x] \rightarrow [(L_y L_x)\Sigma] = [(L_y\Sigma)(L_x\Sigma)] = [L_{yS_\Sigma} L_{xS_\Sigma}] = [L_{yS_\Sigma}][L_{xS_\Sigma}] = [L_x\Sigma][L_y\Sigma]$ under (22), completing the proof of the theorem.

We shall have occasion in the proof of the next theorem to use the fact that if \mathfrak{B} contains both $R(\mathfrak{A})$ and $L(\mathfrak{A})$, and if both $R(\mathfrak{A})$ and $L(\mathfrak{A})$ —as well of course as \mathfrak{N} —are their own images under an automorphism Σ of \mathfrak{B} , then

$$(24) \quad R_x \Sigma = R_{xS_\Sigma}, \quad L_x \Sigma = L_{xS_\Sigma}$$

for S_Σ defined by (21).

THEOREM 3. *Let \mathfrak{A} be a non-associative algebra with unity element 1 and automorphism group \mathfrak{G} . Let \mathfrak{G}_T be the group of automorphisms Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ such that $\mathfrak{N}_T \Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_T$, $R(\mathfrak{A}) \Sigma = R(\mathfrak{A})$, $L(\mathfrak{A}) \Sigma = L(\mathfrak{A})$. Then the correspondence $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (12) is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{G} onto \mathfrak{G}_T .*

If S is in \mathfrak{G} and $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ under (12), then $1(N\Sigma) = 1S^{-1}NS = 1NS = 0S = 0$ for N in \mathfrak{N}_T . The nonsingularity of Σ gives $\mathfrak{N}_T \Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_T$. By (15) we have Σ in \mathfrak{G}_T . By Theorem 2 this Σ determines an automorphism S_Σ of \mathfrak{A} :

$$S_\Sigma: x \rightarrow [R_x] \rightarrow [R_x \Sigma] = [R_{xS}] \rightarrow xS = xS_\Sigma$$

for all x in \mathfrak{A} , or $S = S_\Sigma$. Conversely, let Σ be in \mathfrak{G}_T . Then Σ determines an automorphism S_Σ of \mathfrak{A} which in turn determines an automorphism

$$(25) \quad \Sigma_*: T \rightarrow T \Sigma_* = S_\Sigma^{-1} T S_\Sigma, \quad T \text{ in } T(\mathfrak{A}),$$

of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ by (12). Write T in the form (8). Then $T \Sigma_* = f(R_{xS_\Sigma}, L_{xS_\Sigma}, R_{yS_\Sigma}, \dots) = f(R_x \Sigma, L_x \Sigma, R_y \Sigma, \dots) = \{f(R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots)\} \Sigma = T \Sigma$ by (12), (24), and the fact that Σ is an automorphism of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. That is, $\Sigma_* = \Sigma$. It is clear then that $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ is a one-to-one mapping of \mathfrak{G} onto \mathfrak{G}_T . To see that $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ is an isomorphism we note only that if S_1, S_2 are in \mathfrak{G} , $S_1 \rightarrow \Sigma_1, S_2 \rightarrow \Sigma_2$, then for T in $T(\mathfrak{A})$ we have $T \Sigma_1 = S_1^{-1} T S_1, T \Sigma_1 \Sigma_2 = S_2^{-1} (S_1^{-1} T S_1) S_2 = (S_1 S_2)^{-1} T (S_1 S_2)$, or $S_1 S_2 \rightarrow \Sigma_1 \Sigma_2$.

Variations in the proof of the following theorem from the proof above are trivial, consisting only of changes due to the fact that elements of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ or $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ are generated by right or left multiplications alone.

THEOREM 4. *The correspondences $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (13) and (14) are isomorphisms of \mathfrak{G} onto \mathfrak{G}_R and \mathfrak{G}_L respectively, where \mathfrak{G}_R is the group of automorphisms Σ of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that $\mathfrak{N}_R \Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_R$, $R(\mathfrak{A}) \Sigma = R(\mathfrak{A})$, and \mathfrak{G}_L is the group of automorphisms Σ of $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that $\mathfrak{N}_L \Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_L$, $L(\mathfrak{A}) \Sigma = L(\mathfrak{A})$.*

3. Automorphisms of an algebra without unity element. In case we are concerned with an algebra \mathfrak{A}_0 of order $(n-1)$ over \mathfrak{F} without a unity element, we can easily modify the results of §2 to include \mathfrak{A}_0 . For we adjoin a unity element 1 to \mathfrak{A}_0 in the usual fashion to obtain an algebra \mathfrak{A} of order n over \mathfrak{F} containing \mathfrak{A}_0 (in the sense of equivalence) as an ideal. Every element x of \mathfrak{A} may be written uniquely in the form

$$(26) \quad x = \xi 1 + x_0, \quad \xi \text{ in } \mathfrak{F}, x_0 \text{ in } \mathfrak{A}_0,$$

and if $y = \eta 1 + y_0$, then $x + y = (\xi + \eta)1 + (x_0 + y_0)$, $\delta x = (\delta \xi)1 + (\delta x_0)$ for δ in \mathfrak{F} , $xy = (\xi \eta)1 + (\eta x_0 + \xi y_0 + x_0 y_0)$. We shall write $\mathfrak{A} = 1\mathfrak{F} + \mathfrak{A}_0$ for the algebra so defined. Any automorphism S_0 of \mathfrak{A}_0 may be extended in a unique fashion to an automorphism S of \mathfrak{A} by defining

$$(27) \quad S: x \rightarrow xS = \xi 1 + x_0 S_0,$$

x as in (26). Note that S induces the automorphism S_0 within \mathfrak{A}_0 .

It is apparent that an automorphism S_0 of \mathfrak{A}_0 determines a unique automorphism Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ as follows: $S_0 \rightarrow S$ by (27), $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ by (12). Moreover, the linear subspaces $R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$ and $L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ are their own images under Σ . For if x_0 is in \mathfrak{A}_0 , then $R_{x_0}\Sigma = R_{x_0}S = R_{x_0}S_0$ is in $R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$ and $L_{x_0}\Sigma = L_{x_0}S = L_{x_0}S_0$ is in $L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$.

If $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ is the non-associative algebra equivalent to \mathfrak{A} which was defined in §2, then \mathfrak{A}_0 is equivalent to the ideal \mathfrak{C}_0 of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ consisting of residue classes $[D_{x_0}]$ for x_0 in \mathfrak{A}_0 , that is, for D_{x_0} in $\mathfrak{D}_0 = R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$ according as $\mathfrak{D} = R(\mathfrak{A})$ or $L(\mathfrak{A})$. For, by Theorem 1, \mathfrak{A} is isomorphic to $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$ under the mapping (17). Since \mathfrak{A}_0 is an ideal of \mathfrak{A} , the mapping

$$(28) \quad x_0 \rightarrow [D_{x_0}], \quad x_0 \text{ in } \mathfrak{A}_0,$$

determines an ideal \mathfrak{C}_0 of $\mathfrak{B} - \mathfrak{N}$, and $\mathfrak{C}_0 \cong \mathfrak{A}_0$.

Let Σ be an automorphism of \mathfrak{B} such that $\mathfrak{N}\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}$ and $\mathfrak{D}_0\Sigma = \mathfrak{D}_0$. Then Σ determines an automorphism $S_{0\Sigma}$ of \mathfrak{A}_0 as follows:

$$(29) \quad S_{0\Sigma}: x_0 \rightarrow [D_{x_0}] \rightarrow [D_{x_0}\Sigma] = [D_{x'_0}] \rightarrow x'_0 = x_0 S_{0\Sigma},$$

for x_0, x'_0 in \mathfrak{A}_0 . For $\mathfrak{D} = I\mathfrak{F} + \mathfrak{D}_0$, and any automorphism of \mathfrak{B} leaves invariant the subspace $I\mathfrak{F}$ of order 1, so that $\mathfrak{D}\Sigma = \mathfrak{D}$. Then by Theorem 2, Σ determines an automorphism S_Σ of \mathfrak{A} . But S_Σ induces on \mathfrak{A}_0 the automorphism (29) since $D_{x_0}\Sigma = D_{x'_0}$ in \mathfrak{D}_0 implies x'_0 is in \mathfrak{A}_0 . Thus $x_0 \rightarrow [D_{x_0}] \rightarrow [D_{x_0}\Sigma] = [D_{x'_0}] \rightarrow x'_0 = x_0 S_\Sigma$ is in \mathfrak{A}_0 , or S_Σ induces $S_{0\Sigma}$ on \mathfrak{A}_0 .

THEOREM 5. *Let \mathfrak{A}_0 be a non-associative algebra without unity element, and let $\mathfrak{A} = 1\mathfrak{F} + \mathfrak{A}_0$. Let \mathfrak{S}_T^0 be the group of automorphisms Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ such that $R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})\Sigma = R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$, $L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})\Sigma = L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$, $\mathfrak{N}_T\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_T$. Then the correspondence $S_0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (27) and (12) is an isomorphism of the automorphism group \mathfrak{G}_0 of \mathfrak{A}_0 onto \mathfrak{S}_T^0 .*

For if S_0 is in \mathfrak{G}_0 , then $S_0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \Sigma$ in \mathfrak{S}_T^0 and $\Sigma \rightarrow S_\Sigma = S$ by Theorem 3. But then S induces the automorphism $S_{0\Sigma}$ within \mathfrak{A}_0 . That is, $S_{0\Sigma} = S_0$. Conversely, if Σ is in \mathfrak{S}_T^0 , then $\Sigma \rightarrow S_{0\Sigma}$ in \mathfrak{G}_0 by (29). But $S_{0\Sigma} \rightarrow S_\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma_*$ by (27) and (12) and $\Sigma_* = \Sigma$ by Theorem 3. Hence the

mapping $S_0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of \mathfrak{G}_0 on \mathfrak{S}_T^0 is one-to-one, and is by Theorem 3 an isomorphism.

The results analogous to Theorem 4 for algebras \mathfrak{A}_0 without unity quantity may be stated as follows: let \mathfrak{S}_R^0 be the group of automorphisms Σ of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that $R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})\Sigma = R(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$, $\mathfrak{N}_R\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_R$. Then the correspondence $S_0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (27) and (13) is an isomorphism of the automorphism group \mathfrak{G}_0 of \mathfrak{A}_0 onto \mathfrak{S}_R^0 . Let \mathfrak{S}_L^0 be the group of automorphisms Σ of $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that $L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})\Sigma = L(\mathfrak{A}_0, \mathfrak{A})$, $\mathfrak{N}_L\Sigma = \mathfrak{N}_L$. Then the correspondence $S_0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (27) and (14) is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{G}_0 onto \mathfrak{S}_L^0 .

4. Inner automorphisms Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. An automorphism Σ of the associative algebra $T(\mathfrak{A})$ is called *inner* in case $T \rightarrow T\Sigma = K^{-1}TK$ for some nonsingular element K of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. We are concerned in this section with automorphisms S of \mathfrak{A} which determine inner automorphisms Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ under (12).

The group \mathfrak{R} of all inner automorphisms of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ is an invariant subgroup of the automorphism group of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. If \mathfrak{S}_T is the group of automorphisms of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ described in Theorem 3, then the intersection $\mathfrak{S}_T \cap \mathfrak{R}$ is an invariant subgroup of \mathfrak{S}_T . But then there is an invariant subgroup \mathfrak{I} of the automorphism group \mathfrak{G} of \mathfrak{A} such that $\mathfrak{I} \cong \mathfrak{S}_T \cap \mathfrak{R}$ under the correspondence $S \rightarrow \Sigma$ of (12). The elements of \mathfrak{I} are characterized as those automorphisms of \mathfrak{A} which are themselves elements of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ by

THEOREM 6. *Let \mathfrak{A} be a non-associative algebra over \mathfrak{F} with unity element 1 and automorphism S determining an automorphism Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ by (12). Then Σ is inner if and only if S is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$.*

If S is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$, then $T \rightarrow T\Sigma = S^{-1}TS$ is an inner automorphism of $T(\mathfrak{A})$. Conversely, if Σ is inner, there exists a nonsingular element K of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ such that $T\Sigma = K^{-1}TK$ for all T in $T(\mathfrak{A})$. In particular, $R_{xS} = R_x\Sigma = K^{-1}R_xK$. Let $1K = k$ so that $xSL_k = k \cdot xS = kR_{xS} = 1KK^{-1}R_xK = xK$ for all x in \mathfrak{A} , or $SL_k = K$. Since S and K are nonsingular, L_k^{-1} exists. Moreover, L_k^{-1} is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$, and $S = KL_k^{-1}$ is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$.

Perhaps it should be pointed out that Theorem 6 yields nothing in the case of central simple algebras (that is, algebras which are simple for all scalar extensions). For although it is true that, if \mathfrak{A} is central simple, then $T(\mathfrak{A})$ is also and—by a well known theorem concerning associative algebras—every automorphism Σ of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ is inner, so that Theorem 6 implies that every automorphism S of \mathfrak{A} is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$, it is also true [1, §8] that in this case $T(\mathfrak{A}) = (\mathfrak{F})_n$, the algebra

of all linear transformations on \mathfrak{A} . Of course it is vacuous then to say that S is in $T(\mathfrak{A})$.

5. **The right ideals $\mathfrak{N}_T, \mathfrak{N}_R, \mathfrak{N}_L$.** We now make a more thorough analysis of the right ideals $\mathfrak{N}_T, \mathfrak{N}_R, \mathfrak{N}_L$ of $T(\mathfrak{A}), E(R(\mathfrak{A})), E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$, respectively, and arrive in particular at criteria for the (right, left) simplicity of an algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity.

THEOREM 7. *An algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity is both commutative and associative if and only if $\mathfrak{N}_T=0$.*

For $\mathfrak{N}_T=0$ implies that $L_x - R_x = R_x R_y - R_x y = 0$ for all x, y in \mathfrak{A} . That is,

$$(30) \quad R_x = L_x, \quad R_x R_y = R_{xy},$$

\mathfrak{A} is both commutative and associative. Conversely, if (30) holds for all x, y in \mathfrak{A} , then T in $T(\mathfrak{A})$ has the form $T=f(R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) = g(R_x, R_y, \dots) = R_{g(x,y,\dots)}$. Then $1T=0$ implies $g(x, y, \dots)=0$ or $T=0$. Hence $\mathfrak{N}_T=0$.

The center \mathfrak{Z} of \mathfrak{A} consists of all elements c in \mathfrak{A} such that

$$(31) \quad xc = cx, \quad c(xy) = (cx)y = x(cy),$$

or equivalently

$$(32) \quad cL_x = cR_x, \quad cR_{xy} = cR_x R_y = cR_y L_x$$

for all x, y in \mathfrak{A} .

THEOREM 8. *An element c is in the center \mathfrak{Z} of an algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity if and only if $c\mathfrak{N}_T=0$.*

Certainly $L_x - R_x, R_{xy} - R_x R_y, R_{xy} - R_y L_x$ are in \mathfrak{N}_T for all x, y in \mathfrak{A} . Hence if $c\mathfrak{N}_T=0$, it follows that $c(L_x - R_x) = c(R_{xy} - R_x R_y) = c(R_{xy} - R_y L_x) = 0$ or (32) holds, c is in the center of \mathfrak{A} . Conversely, if c is in the center of \mathfrak{A} , and if we write T in $T(\mathfrak{A})$ as in (8), it is seen by repeated application of (32) that $cT = cf(R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) = cR_{g(x,y,\dots)}$ where the non-associative polynomial $g(x, y, \dots) = 1f(R_x, L_x, R_y, \dots) = 1T$. But if T is in \mathfrak{N}_T , then $1T=0$ so that $g(x, y, \dots)=0$ and $cT=0, c\mathfrak{N}_T=0$.

An algebra \mathfrak{A} , which is not the zero algebra of order 1, is called *simple (right simple, left simple)* in case the only ideals (right ideals, left ideals) of \mathfrak{A} are 0 and \mathfrak{A} .

THEOREM 9. *A non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity is right simple if and only if \mathfrak{N}_R is a maximal proper right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$.*

If \mathfrak{N}_R is a maximal proper right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, then the only

right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ containing \mathfrak{N}_R properly is $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ itself. We assume that \mathfrak{A} is not right simple, so that \mathfrak{A} has a right ideal $\mathfrak{Q} \neq 0$, \mathfrak{A} . Let \mathfrak{P} be the linear set $\mathfrak{P} = R(\mathfrak{Q}, \mathfrak{A}) + \mathfrak{N}_R$. Then P in \mathfrak{P} has the form $P = R_q + N$, q in \mathfrak{Q} , N in \mathfrak{N}_R , and any element T of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ may be written as $T = R_t + N_1$, t in \mathfrak{A} , N_1 in \mathfrak{N}_R , so that $PT = (R_q + N)(R_t + N_1) = R_q R_t + R_q N_1 + NT = R_{qt} + (R_q R_t - R_{qt}) + R_q N_1 + NT$. Now $R_q N_1 = R_a + N_2$ for a in \mathfrak{A} , N_2 in \mathfrak{N}_R , and $1R_q N_1 = 1R_a + 1N_2$ or $a = qN_1$. Since $N_1 = f(R_x, R_y, \dots)$ while \mathfrak{Q} is a right ideal of \mathfrak{A} , it follows that $a = qN_1 = qf(R_x, R_y, \dots)$ is in \mathfrak{Q} . Hence $PT = R_{qt+qN_1} + (R_q R_t - R_{qt} + N_2 + NT)$ is in \mathfrak{P} since $qt + qN_1$ is in \mathfrak{Q} while $R_q R_t - R_{qt} + N_2 + NT$ is in \mathfrak{N}_R . Hence \mathfrak{P} is a right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ containing \mathfrak{N}_R . Since $\mathfrak{Q} \neq 0$, \mathfrak{A} , it follows that $R(\mathfrak{Q}, \mathfrak{A})$, being of the same dimension over \mathfrak{F} as \mathfrak{Q} , is neither 0 nor $R(\mathfrak{A})$, and then $\mathfrak{P} \neq \mathfrak{N}_R, E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, a contradiction. Hence \mathfrak{A} is right simple.

Conversely, let \mathfrak{P} be any proper right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$ which contains \mathfrak{N}_R . Consider the set \mathfrak{Q} of residue classes $[P]$ modulo \mathfrak{N}_R for P in \mathfrak{P} . Then \mathfrak{Q} is a linear subset of $E(R(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_R \cong \mathfrak{A}$. Moreover, if $[P]$ is any element of \mathfrak{Q} , we write $P = R_p + N$ for p in \mathfrak{A} , N in \mathfrak{N}_R . Let $[R_t]$ be any element of $E(R(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_R$. Then $PR_t = R_p R_t + NR_t = P_1$ in \mathfrak{P} since \mathfrak{P} is a right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$. Then

$$(33) \quad [P][R_t] = [R_p][R_t] = [R_p R_t] = [P_1]$$

in \mathfrak{Q} by (19), and \mathfrak{Q} is a right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_R \cong \mathfrak{A}$. If \mathfrak{A} is right simple, then either $\mathfrak{Q} = [0]$ or $\mathfrak{Q} = E(R(\mathfrak{A})) - \mathfrak{N}_R$. In the latter case, \mathfrak{Q} contains $[I]$, \mathfrak{P} contains $I + N_1$ for some N_1 in \mathfrak{N}_R . Since \mathfrak{P} also contains N_1 , it follows that I is in \mathfrak{P} , whence $\mathfrak{P} = E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$, a contradiction. Hence $\mathfrak{Q} = [0]$, $\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{N}_R$, and \mathfrak{N}_R is a maximal proper right ideal of $E(R(\mathfrak{A}))$.

An exactly symmetrical argument, involving left multiplications instead of right multiplications, suffices to prove

THEOREM 10. *A non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity is left simple if and only if \mathfrak{N}_L is a maximal proper right ideal of $E(L(\mathfrak{A}))$.*

Only obvious variations on the proof above are required in the proof of

THEOREM 11. *A non-associative algebra \mathfrak{A} with unity quantity is simple if and only if \mathfrak{N}_T is a maximal proper right ideal of $T(\mathfrak{A})$.*

For example, to prove the converse part of the theorem, we let \mathfrak{P} be any proper right ideal of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ which contains \mathfrak{N}_T , and let \mathfrak{Q} be the linear space of residue classes $[P]$ modulo \mathfrak{N}_T for P in \mathfrak{P} . We may write $P = R_p + N = L_p + N_0$ for N, N_0 in \mathfrak{N}_T , and let $[R_t] = [L_t]$ be

any element of $T(\mathfrak{A}) - \mathfrak{N}_T$. Then we have (33) as before, where now the quantities involved are residue classes of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ modulo \mathfrak{N}_T , but also we have $PL_i = L_p L_i + N_0 L_i = P_2$ in \mathfrak{B} so that $[L_i][P] = [L_i][L_p] = [L_p L_i] = [P_2]$ in \mathfrak{Q} by (20), and \mathfrak{Q} is an ideal of $T(\mathfrak{A}) - \mathfrak{N}_T \cong \mathfrak{A}$. The remainder of the proof is as before.

We conclude with an analysis of the structure of the right ideal \mathfrak{N}_T of $T(\mathfrak{A})$ in case \mathfrak{A} of order n over \mathfrak{F} (with unity quantity) is simple. In this case $T(\mathfrak{A}) = (\mathfrak{Z})_s$, where the center \mathfrak{Z} of \mathfrak{A} is a field of degree t over \mathfrak{F} , and $n = st$ (see [1, §§8, 19]).

THEOREM 12. *Let \mathfrak{A} be a simple non-associative algebra of order $n = st$ over \mathfrak{F} with unity quantity and with center \mathfrak{Z} of degree t over \mathfrak{F} . Then $\mathfrak{N}_T = \mathfrak{N} + (\mathfrak{Z})_{s-1}$, where the radical \mathfrak{N} of \mathfrak{N}_T has order $(s-1)$ over \mathfrak{Z} and the semi-simple component of \mathfrak{N}_T is the total matrix algebra $(\mathfrak{Z})_{s-1}$ of degree $(s-1)$ over \mathfrak{Z} .*

For \mathfrak{A} is central simple over \mathfrak{Z} . Let $(1, u_2, \dots, u_s)$ be a fixed basis of \mathfrak{A} over \mathfrak{Z} . Then, since $T(\mathfrak{A}) = (\mathfrak{Z})_s$, it follows from Theorem 8 that \mathfrak{N}_T (over \mathfrak{Z}) consists of all s -by- s matrices with first row zero. But the structure of this algebra of matrices, with principal idempotent

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{s-1} \end{pmatrix},$$

is easily determined. Its radical \mathfrak{N} consists of all matrices (with elements in \mathfrak{Z}) of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ U & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where U is any $(s-1)$ -by-1 matrix. Its semi-simple component consists of all matrices (with elements in \mathfrak{Z}) of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V \end{pmatrix}$$

where V is any $(s-1)$ -rowed square matrix. This is a total matrix algebra $(\mathfrak{Z})_{s-1}$.

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