42. On Strongly Regular Ring

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In this Note we shall say that the ring A is *regular* if, for every element a of A, there exists an element x in A such that a=axa, and A is *strongly regular* if, for every element a of A, there exists an element x in A such that $a=a^2x$, the following theorem is an answer of S. Lajos conjecture.

Theorem. An associative ring A is strongly regular if and only if the relation

(a) $L \cap R = LAR$

holds for every left ideal L and right ideal R of A.

Proof. For an associative ring A the following three conditions are equivalence with each other:

(1) A is strongly regular ring.

(2) $L \cap R = LR$ for every left ideal L and right ideal R of A.

(3) A is a two sided regular ring.

For the detail, see S. Lajos and F. Szász (1). We use the result above in our proof.

Necessity. Let A be a strongly regular ring. Then A satisfies the conditions (2) and (3). Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of A. If a is any element of $L \cap R$, then there is an element x of A such that a=axa, so $a \in LAR$, i.e. $L \cap R \subset LAR$. Then $L \cap R \subset LAR$ $\subset LR = L \cap R$, whence $L \cap R = LAR$.

Sufficiency. Let A be an associative ring satisfying the condition (a) for every left ideal L and right ideal R of A. If R=A holds, then the relation (a) implies $L \cap A = LA^2$, whence every left ideal L of A is also a right ideal of A. Similarly, for L=A, (a) implies $A \cap R = A^2R$, whence every ideal R of A is a left ideal of A. Therefore A is a two sided ring. $L \cap R = LAR \subset LR \subset L \cap R$, so $L \cap R = LR$. Hence (a) implies (2). This means that A is a strongly regular ring.

Reference

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