

# Lattices of annihilators in commutative algebras over fields

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In this notes  $\mathbb{K}$  will be a field.

## Definition

An algebra over a field  $\mathbb{K}$  is a vector space  $A$  over  $\mathbb{K}$  together with a bilinear associative multiplication. In other words, for arbitrary elements  $a, b, c \in A$  and for arbitrary  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$  the following equalities are satisfied:

- 1  $a(b + c) = ab + ac;$
- 2  $(b + c)a = ba + ca;$
- 3  $(ab)c = a(bc);$
- 4  $(\lambda a)b = a(\lambda b) = \lambda(ab).$

## Examples of algebras:

- Any field extension  $\mathbb{L} \supseteq \mathbb{K}$ ,
- For every  $1 \leq n < \infty$  the set of all  $n$ -by- $n$  matrices over  $\mathbb{K}$  with standard operations,
- The commutative polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  with indeterminates  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and coefficients in  $\mathbb{K}$ .
- The noncommutative polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  with indeterminates  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and coefficients in  $\mathbb{K}$ .

An algebra  $A$  is said to be finite dimensional if the space  $A$  is finite dimensional over  $\mathbb{K}$ . All algebras are finite dimensional, with  $1 \neq 0$ .

If  $A$  is an algebra, then by  $A^{op}$  we denote the algebra with the same linear structure over  $\mathbb{K}$ , but with the opposite multiplication.

All lattices considered here have the smallest element  $\omega$  and the largest element  $\Omega \neq \omega$ . If  $P$  is any partially ordered set (poset), then by  $P^{op}$  we denote the set  $P$ , but with the reverse order.

A  $\mathbb{K}$ -subspace  $I$  of a  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra  $A$  is said to be a left ideal if

$$\forall a \in A \forall i \in I \quad ai \in I \quad (AI \subseteq I).$$

Similarly, a  $\mathbb{K}$ -subspace  $J \subseteq A$  which satisfies

$$\forall a \in A \forall j \in J \quad ja \in J \quad (JA \subseteq J)$$

is a right ideal in  $A$ .

For every algebra  $A$  the set  $\mathcal{I}_l(A)$  of all left ideals and the set  $\mathcal{I}_r(A)$  of all right ideals, ordered by inclusion are complete, modular lattices with operations:

$$I \vee J = I + J \quad \text{and} \quad I \wedge J = I \cap J. \quad (1)$$

A two-sided ideal in an algebra  $A$  is a left ideal of  $A$  that is also a right ideal of  $A$ , and is called an ideal. The set  $\mathcal{I}(A)$  of all ideals in  $A$

$$\mathcal{I}(A) = \mathcal{I}_l(A) \cap \mathcal{I}_r(A)$$

ordered by inclusion is a complete, modular lattice.

An algebra  $A$  is a local algebra if it has an ideal, which is the unique left maximal ideal in  $A$  and the unique right maximal ideal in  $A$ . This ideal is known as the radical of  $A$ .

If  $X \subseteq A$  is a subset, then let  $L_A(X) = L(X)$  be the left annihilator of  $X$  in  $A$  and let  $R_A(X) = R(X)$  be the right annihilator of  $X$  in  $A$  :

$$L(X) = \{a \in A : aX = 0\}, \quad (2)$$

$$R(X) = \{a \in A : Xa = 0\}. \quad (3)$$

Let  $\mathcal{A}_l(A)$  be the set of all left annihilators in  $A$  and  $\mathcal{A}_r(A)$  be the set of all right annihilators in  $A$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}_l(A) \subseteq \mathcal{I}_l(A)$  is a complete lattice with operations:

$$I \vee J = L(R(I) \cap R(J)) \quad \text{and} \quad I \wedge J = I \cap J,$$

for  $I, J \in \mathcal{A}_l(A)$ ,  $\omega = 0$  and  $\Omega = A$ .

Similarly,  $\mathcal{A}_r(A) \subseteq \mathcal{I}_r(A)$  is a complete lattice with operations

$$I \vee J = R(L(I) \cap L(J)) \quad \text{and} \quad I \wedge J = I \cap J,$$

for  $I, J \in \mathcal{I}_r(A)$ ,  $\omega = 0$  and  $\Omega = A$ .



Between  $\mathcal{A}_l(A)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_r(A)$  we have a Galois correspondence:

$$\mathcal{A}_l(A) \xrightarrow{R} (\mathcal{A}_r(A))^{op} \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathcal{A}_r(A))^{op} \xrightarrow{L} \mathcal{A}_l(A).$$

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## Theorem

*Let  $A$  be a finite dimensional algebra over an infinite field  $\mathbb{K}$  with  $\mathcal{A}_l(A)$  finite. Then  $A$  is a finite direct product of local algebras.*

Let  $M$  be a monoid and let  $I$  be an ideal in  $M$ . Then the Rees factor monoid  $M/I$  is equal to  $M/\rho$ , where  $\rho$  is the congruence on  $M$  given by

$$(s, t) \in \rho \text{ if either } s = t \text{ or } s, t \in I. \quad (4)$$

If  $M$  is a monoid, then a monoid algebra  $\mathbb{K}[M]$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -space with the basis  $M$  and the multiplication induced by the multiplication in  $M$ .

If  $M$  is a monoid with  $0$ , then  $\mathbb{K}0$  is an ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[M]$ . By contracted monoid algebra of  $M$  over  $\mathbb{K}$ , denoted by  $\mathbb{K}_0[M]$ , we mean the factor algebra  $\mathbb{K}[M]/\mathbb{K}0$ .

Let  $P$  be a nonempty poset. Then there exists contracted monoid algebra  $\mathbb{K}(P)$  such that  $P \subset \mathbb{K}(P)$  and  $\mathbb{K}(P)$  has a natural gradation given by:

$$\mathbb{K}(P) = \mathbb{K} \oplus V \oplus V^2,$$

where the natural base of  $V$  can be identified with  $P$  and the natural base of  $V^2$  can be identified with  $\{xy : x, y \in P, x \not\leq y\}$ . If  $P = \emptyset$  then  $\mathbb{K}(P) = \mathbb{K}$ . The algebra  $\mathbb{K}(P)$  is a local algebra with the radical  $J = V \oplus V^2$  and with the residue field  $\mathbb{K}(P)/J = \mathbb{K}$ .

If  $L$  is a lattice then we put  $\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle = \mathbb{K}(P)$ , where  $P = L \setminus \{\omega, \Omega\}$ .

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Let  $P$  be any finite poset and let  $\phi : P \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_I(\mathbb{K}(P))$  be given by  $\phi(x) = L_{\mathbb{K}(P)}(x)$  for  $x \in P$ . Then  $\phi$  is an embedding and preserves all existing meets and joins.

If  $L$  is a finite lattice, then  $\phi$  extends uniquely to a lattice isomorphism of  $L$  with the interval  $[\phi(\omega), \phi(\Omega)] \subseteq \mathcal{A}_I(\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle)$ .

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If  $P$  is a poset then every annihilator in  $\mathbb{K}(P)$  is an ideal. As a consequence, if  $L$  is a lattice, then every annihilator in the algebra  $\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle$  is an ideal, so  $\mathcal{A}_l(\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_r(\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(\mathbb{K}\langle L \rangle)$ .

Let  $A$  be a commutative algebra. Then  $R(X) = L(X)$  for any subset  $X \subseteq A$ . Thus  $\mathcal{A}_l(A) = \mathcal{A}_r(A)$ . We put  $R(X) = L(X) = a(X)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_l(A) = \mathcal{A}_r(A) = \mathcal{A}(A)$ . Then  $X \rightarrow a(X)$  is an antiautomorphism of the lattice  $\mathcal{A}(A)$ .

If a lattice has exactly one atom (coatom) then we will denote it by  $\hat{\omega}$  (respectively  $\hat{\Omega}$ ).

Let  $P$  be a nonempty poset and let  $P'$  be the set such that  $|P| = |P'|$ . Let  $f : P \rightarrow P'$  be a bijection given by  $f(x) = x' \in P'$ . Put  $P^* = P \cup P'$ . Let  $S(P)$  be the free, commutative monoid with the set  $P^*$  of free generators.

Consider in  $S(P)$  an ideal  $I$  generated by all products  $xyz$  where  $x, y, z \in P^*$  and by all elements of the set  $\{x'y \mid x, y \in P \text{ where } x \leq y\}$ . Put  $\bar{S} = S(P)/I$ , the Rees factor monoid.

Clearly  $P^* \subseteq \bar{S}$  in a natural way and

$$(P^*)^2 = \{0\} \cup \{xy \mid x, y \in P\} \cup \{x'y' \mid x', y' \in P'\} \cup \{x'y \mid x, y \in P, x \not\leq y\}.$$

Moreover,

$$\bar{S} = \{1\} \cup P^* \cup (P^*)^2.$$



Now let  $\mathbb{K}((P)) = \mathbb{K}_0[\overline{S}]$  be the contracted monoid algebra.

Thus  $P \subset \mathbb{K}((P))$  and  $\mathbb{K}((P))$  has the natural gradation given by:

$$\mathbb{K}((P)) = \mathbb{K} \oplus W \oplus W^2, \quad (5)$$

where the natural base of  $W$  can be identified with  $P^*$  and the natural base of  $W^2$  can be identified with  $(P^*)^2 \setminus \{0\}$ .

Our algebra  $\mathbb{K}((P))$  is a local, commutative algebra with the radical  $J = W \oplus W^2$  and with the residue field  $\mathbb{K}((P))/J = \mathbb{K}$ .

If  $L$  is a lattice, then let us take  $\mathbb{K}\langle\langle L \rangle\rangle = \mathbb{K}(\langle\langle P \rangle\rangle)$ , where  $P = L \setminus \{\Omega, \hat{\Omega}, \omega, \hat{\omega}\}$  if  $\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\omega}$  exist.

Using the above notations we have

## Theorem




Let  $P$  be nonempty finite poset and let  $\psi : P \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{K}(\langle\langle P \rangle\rangle))$  be given by  $\psi(x) = a_{\mathbb{K}(\langle\langle P \rangle\rangle)}(x)$  for  $x \in P$ . Then  $\psi$  is an embedding and preserves all existing meets and joins.

If  $L$  is a finite lattice and  $L$  is none of chains with at most 4 elements then  $\psi$  extends uniquely to a lattice embedding of  $L$  into  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{K}\langle\langle L \rangle\rangle)$ .

## Corollary

Every finite lattice can be represented as a sublattice of lattice of annihilators in a commutative  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra.

Thank you for your attention!

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