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## **Lie and Jordan Structure in Simple $\Gamma$ – Regular Ring**

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### **Abstract**

*In this paper, we study Lie and Jordan Structure in Simple  $\Gamma$ – Regular Ring of characteristic not equal to two. Some Properties of these  $\Gamma$ – Regular Ring are determined.*

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## **1 Introduction**

The concept of  $\Gamma$ – ring was first introduced by Nobusawa [4] in 1964 and generalized by Barnes [1] in 1996. The idea of  $\Gamma$ – regular ring was studied by Krishnaswamy [2] in 2009. S.Kyuno [3] worked on the Simple  $\Gamma$ – ring with simple conditions and Herstein [8] studied the Lie and Jordan Structures in Simple ring. In this paper, we have extended the results of Paul[5] into Lie and Jordan Structure in Simple  $\Gamma$ – regular ring. Some characterization of this  $\Gamma$ – regular ring have been established.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1** Let  $M$  and  $\Gamma$  be two additive abelian groups. There is a mapping from  $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$  such that

1.  $(x + y)\alpha z = x\alpha z + y\alpha z; x(\alpha + \beta)z = x\alpha z + x\beta z; x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z.$
2.  $(x\alpha y)\beta z = x\alpha(y\beta z)$  where  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma.$

Then,  $M$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -ring.

**Definition 2.2** An element  $a$  of a ring  $R$  is said to be regular if there exists an element  $x \in R$  such that  $axa = a$ . The ring  $R$  is regular if and only if each element of  $R$  is regular.

**Definition 2.3** Let  $R$  and  $\Gamma$  be two additive abelian groups. An element  $a \in R$  is said to be  $\Gamma$ -Regular if there exists an element  $x \in \Gamma$  such that  $axa = a$ . A  $\Gamma$ -ring is said to be  $\Gamma$ -regular ring if and only if each element of  $R$  is  $\Gamma$ -regular.

**Definition 2.4** A Lie ring  $L$  is to be defined as an abelian group with an operation  $[\bullet, \bullet]$  having the properties

1. for all  $x \in L, [x, x] = 0.$
2. Bilinearity :  $[x + y, z] = [x, z] + [y, z]; [z, x + y] = [z, x] + [z, y]$
3. Jacobi identity :  $[x, [y, z]] + [y, [z, x]] + [z, [x, y]] = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in L.$

**Remark 2.5** Any associative ring can be made into a Lie ring by defining the bracket operation by  $[x, y] = xy - yx.$

**Definition 2.6** A subset  $S$  of the  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  is a left(right) ideal of  $R$  if  $S$  is an additive sub-group of  $R$  and  $R\Gamma S = \{c\alpha a/c \in R, \alpha \in \Gamma, a \in S\}$  ( $S\Gamma R = \{a\alpha c/c \in R, \alpha \in \Gamma, a \in S\}$ ) is contained in  $S$ . If  $S$  is both left and right ideal of  $R$ , then we say that  $S$  is an ideal of two sided ideal of  $R$ .

If  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals in  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$ , then the sum of  $A$  and  $B$  is also an ideal of  $R$  that is  $A + B = \{a + b/a \in A, b \in B\}.$

**Definition 2.7** Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring. An element  $a \in R$  is called a nil-potent of a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring for some  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  there exists a least positive integer  $n$  such that  $(a\alpha)^n a = (a\alpha a\alpha a\alpha \dots \dots \dots n \text{ times}) a = 0.$

**Definition 2.8** An ideal  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  is called a nil-potent ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  if  $(A\Gamma)^n A = (A\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma \dots \dots \dots n \text{ times}) A = 0$  where  $n$  is the least positive integer.

**Definition 2.9** For any  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$ , the Lie and Jordan Structure of a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring is to be defined as the new product of  $[x, y]_\alpha = x\alpha y - y\alpha x$  and  $(x, y)_\alpha = x\alpha y + y\alpha x$  for every  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.10** A subset  $S$  of  $R$  is a Lie sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  if  $S$  is an additive sub-group such that for  $a, b \in S, a\alpha b - b\alpha a$  must also be in  $S$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . A subset  $S$  of  $R$  is a Jordan sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  if  $S$  is an additive sub-group such that for  $a, b \in S, a\alpha b + b\alpha a$  must also be in  $S$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.11** Let  $S$  be a Lie sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of  $R$ . The additive sub group  $V \subset S$  is said to be Lie ideal of  $S$  if whenever  $v \in V, \alpha \in \Gamma, a \in S$  then  $[V, a]_\alpha = V\alpha a - a\alpha V$  is in  $V$ . Again let  $S$  be a Jordan sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of  $R$ . The additive sub group  $V \subset S$  is said to be Jordan ideal of  $S$  if whenever  $v \in V, \alpha \in \Gamma, a \in S$  then  $(V, a)_\alpha = V\alpha a + a\alpha V$  is in  $V$ .

**Definition 2.12** A  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  is called a Simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring if  $R\Gamma R \neq 0$  and its ideals are 0 and  $R$ .

**Definition 2.13** Let  $A$  be an ideal in  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$ . Then, the set  $R/A$  is defined by  $R/A = \{x + a\alpha c/x \in R, a, c \in A, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$  and

1.  $(x + a\alpha c) + (y + a\alpha c) = (x + y) + a\alpha c$ ;
2.  $(x + a\alpha c)\alpha(y + a\alpha c) = x\alpha y + a\alpha c$  under the operation  $(+, \bullet)$ .

Then, the set  $(R/A, +, \bullet)$  form a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$ .

**Definition 2.14** Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring. The centre of  $R$  written as  $Z$  is the set of those elements in  $R$ , that is  $Z = \{m \in R/m\alpha x = x\alpha m\}$  for all  $x \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.15** Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring and let  $R_{mn}$  and  $\Gamma_{nm}$  denote respectively, the sets of  $m \times n$  matrices with entries from  $R$  and the sets of  $n \times m$  matrices with entries from  $\Gamma$ . Then, the set  $R_{mn}$  is a  $\Gamma_{nm}$  regular ring and multiplication is defined by  $(a_{ij})(\alpha_{ji})(b_{ij}) = (c_{ij})$  where  $(c_{ij}) = \sum_p \sum_q a_{ip}\alpha_{pq}b_{qj}$ . If  $m = n$ , then  $R_n$  is a  $\Gamma_n$ -ring.

**Definition 2.16** Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring. Then,  $R$  is called a division  $\Gamma$ -regular ring if it has an identity element and its only non-zero ideal is itself.

### 3 Lie and Jordan Structure

In this section, we have developed some characterization of Lie and Jordan Structures in Simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring.

**Theorem 3.1** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring and  $A \neq 0$  is a right ideal of  $R$ . For given  $a \in A$ ,  $(a\alpha)^n a = 0$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and for fixed integer  $n$ . Then,  $R$  has a non-zero nilpotent ideal.*

**Proof:** To prove this Theorem by using Mathematical induction on  $n$ . Let  $a \neq 0 \in A$  satisfying  $a\alpha a = 0$  and let us suppose that  $B = a\Gamma A \neq 0$ . If  $x \in R$ , then  $[(a + a\alpha x)\alpha]^n [a + a\alpha x] = 0$ . Since it is in  $A$ , we obtain  $[(a\alpha x)\alpha]^{n-1} (a\alpha x)\alpha a = 0$ . Thus,  $[(a\alpha x)\alpha]^{n-1} (a\alpha x)\Gamma A = 0$ .

Let  $T = \{x \in A/x\Gamma A = 0\}$  of course  $T$  is an ideal of  $A$ . Moreover, let  $y \in B \Rightarrow (y\alpha)^{n-1} y \in T$ . Therefore  $\bar{B} = B/T$  every element satisfies  $(y\alpha)^{n-1} y = 0$ . By our induction hypothesis,  $\bar{B}$  has a nilpotent ideal  $\bar{U} \neq 0$ . Let  $U$  be its inverse image in  $B$ . Since  $(\bar{U}T)^k \bar{U} = 0$ ,  $(U\Gamma)^k U \subset T$ . Hence,  $(U\Gamma)^{k+1} U \subset T\Gamma B = 0$ . Also, since  $\bar{U} \neq 0$ ,  $U$  is not a sub-set of  $T$  and hence  $U \supset U\Gamma B \neq 0$ . But  $U\Gamma B = U\Gamma a\Gamma B \neq 0$  is a nil-potent ideal of  $R$ .

Suppose that  $a \in A$  satisfying  $a\alpha a = 0 \Rightarrow a\Gamma A = 0$ . For any  $x \in A$ ,  $(x\alpha)^n x = 0$ , we have  $(x\alpha)^{n-1} x\alpha x = 0$  and so  $(x\alpha)^{n-1} x\Gamma A = 0$ .

Let  $W = \{x \in A/x\Gamma A = 0\}$ ,  $W$  is an ideal of  $A$ . If  $W = A$ , then  $A\Gamma A = 0$  and would provide us a nilpotent right ideal. If  $W \neq A$ , then  $\bar{A} = A/W$ ,  $(\bar{x}\alpha)^n \bar{x} = 0$ . Our induction gives us a nilpotent ideal  $\bar{V} \neq 0 \in \bar{A}$ . If  $V$  is the inverse image of  $\bar{V} \in \bar{A}$  then  $V\Gamma A \neq 0 \subset V$  and is nilpotent. Since,  $V$  is nilpotent, again we have seen that  $R$  must have a non-zero nilpotent right ideal.

If  $R$  has a non-zero nilpotent right ideal and it has almost trivially a non-zero nilpotent ideal. •

Our first objective will be to determine the Lie and Jordan ideals of the  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $R$  itself in the case  $R$  is restricted to a Simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring.

**Theorem 3.2** *If  $U$  is a Jordan ideal of  $R$ , then  $x\alpha(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) - (a\alpha b + b\alpha a)\alpha x \in U$  for all  $a, b \in U$  and  $x \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $a, b \in U$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  for any  $x \in R$ , we have  $a\alpha(x\alpha b - b\alpha x) + (x\alpha b - b\alpha x)\alpha a \in U$ . But  $a\alpha(x\alpha b - b\alpha x) + (x\alpha b - b\alpha x)\alpha a = \{(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\alpha b + b\alpha(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\} + \{x\alpha(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) - (a\alpha b + b\alpha a)\alpha x\}$ . The left side and the first term on the right side are in  $U$ . Hence  $x\alpha(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) - (a\alpha b + b\alpha a)\alpha x \in U$  •

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring in which  $2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  and suppose further that  $R$  has no non-zero nilpotent ideal of  $R$  contains a non-zero (associative) ideal of  $R$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $U \neq 0$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$  and suppose that  $a, b \in R$ . By Theorem 3.2, for any  $x \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ ,

$$\text{We have } x\alpha c - c\alpha x \text{ where } c = a\alpha b + b\alpha a \in U. \quad \rightarrow 3.31$$

$$\text{However, since } c \in U, x\alpha c + c\alpha x \in U. \quad \rightarrow 3.32$$

Adding 3.31 and 3.32, we get  $2x\alpha c \in U$  for all  $x$ . Hence, for  $y \in R$ ,  $(2x\alpha c)\alpha y + y\alpha(2x\alpha c) \in U$ . Since  $2y\alpha x\alpha c \in U$ , we obtain  $2x\alpha c\alpha y \in U$  i.e.,  $2R\Gamma c\Gamma R \subset U$ . Now  $2R\Gamma c\Gamma R$  is an ideal of  $R$  so we do unless  $2R\Gamma c\Gamma R = 0$ . If  $2R\Gamma c\Gamma R = 0$ , by our assumption  $R\Gamma c\Gamma R = 0$ . Since  $R$  has no nilpotent ideals this forces  $c = 0$ , that is given  $a, b \in U$  then  $a\alpha b + b\alpha a = 0$ .

Let  $a \neq 0 \in U$ , then for any  $x \in R$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $b = a\alpha x + x\alpha a \in U$ . Hence,  $a\alpha(a\alpha x + x\alpha a) + (a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha a = 0$ . that is  $a\alpha a\alpha x + x\alpha a\alpha a + 2a\alpha x\alpha a = 0$ . Now, for  $a \in U$  and  $a\alpha a = 0$ , this reduces to  $2a\alpha x\alpha a = 0$  for all  $x \in R$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and so  $a\Gamma R\Gamma a = 0$ . But  $a\Gamma R \neq 0$  is a nilpotent right ideal of  $R$ . This is a contradiction to our assumption. In other words, we have shown that  $U$  contains a non-zero ideal of  $R$ . •

**Lemma 3.4** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring with no non-zero nilpotent ideals in which  $2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ . Suppose that  $U \neq 0$  is both a Lie ideal and  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of  $R$ . Then, either  $U \subset Z$  or  $U$  contains a non-zero ideal of  $R$ .*

**Proof:** Let us first suppose that  $U$  has a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring is not commutative. Then, for some  $x, y \in U$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , we have  $x\alpha y - y\alpha x \neq 0$ . For any  $m \in R$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$  we have  $x\beta(y\alpha m) - (y\alpha m)\beta x \in U$  that is  $(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\beta m + y\beta(x\alpha m - m\alpha x) \in U$ . The second member of this is in  $U$  since both  $y$  and  $(x\alpha m - m\alpha x)$  are in  $U$  ( $U$  is both Lie ideal and sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring). The net result of all this is that  $(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\Gamma R \subset U$ . But then for some  $m, s \in R$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , we have  $((x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\alpha m)\beta s - s\beta((x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\alpha m) \in U \Rightarrow R\Gamma(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\Gamma R = 0$ , then  $R\Gamma(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\Gamma R\Gamma(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\Gamma R = 0$ . This is a contradiction to our assumption. We have shown that the result is correct if  $U$  is a sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of  $R$  is not commutative. So, by using sub-lemma 3.5  $a$  must be in  $Z$  as follows. •

**Sub-Lemma 3.5** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -regular ring with no non-zero nilpotent ideals in which  $2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ . If  $a \in R$  commutes with  $a\alpha x - x\alpha a$  for all  $x \in R$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  then  $a$  is in  $Z$ .*

**Proof:** Suppose that  $U$  is commutative, we want to show that it lies in  $Z$ . Given  $a \in U$ ,  $x \in R$  then  $a\alpha x - x\alpha a \in U$ . Now for  $x, y \in R$  we have  $a\alpha c - c\alpha a$  where  $c = (a\alpha(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\alpha a - a\alpha(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\alpha a)$ .

Expanding  $a\alpha(x\alpha y - y\alpha x)\alpha a$  as  $(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\alpha y + x\alpha(a\alpha y - y\alpha a)$  using this and commutes with  $(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)$  and  $(a\alpha y - y\alpha a)$  yields  $2(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\beta\alpha(a\alpha y - y\alpha a) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $2m = 0$  forces  $m = 0$  we obtain  $(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\beta(a\alpha y - y\alpha a) = 0$ . In this, put  $y = a\alpha x$

this results in  $(a\alpha x - x\alpha a)\Gamma R\Gamma(a\alpha x - x\alpha a) = 0$ . Since  $R$  has no nilpotent, we conclude that  $(a\alpha x - x\alpha a) = 0$  and so  $a$  must be in  $Z$ . •

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $R$  be a Simple  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of characteristic  $\neq 2$ . Then any Lie ideal of  $R$  which is also a sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring if  $R$  must either be  $R$  itself or it contained in  $Z$ .*

**Proof:** Lemma 3.4 immediately gives the result of the Theorem. •

**Definition 3.7** *If  $U$  is a Lie ideal of  $R$ , let  $T(U) = \{x \in R/[x, R]_\Gamma \subset U\}$ .*

**Lemma 3.8** *For any  $\Gamma$ - regular ring  $R$ , if  $U$  is a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Then,  $T(U)$  is both a sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring and a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Moreover  $U \subset T(U)$ .*

**Proof:** If  $U$  is a Lie ideal of  $R$  then  $U \subset T(U)$ . Since  $[T(U), M]_\Gamma \subset U \subset T(U)$  must be a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Suppose that  $a, b \in T(U)$  and  $m \in R$  then  $(aab)\alpha m - m\alpha(aab) = a\alpha(b\alpha m) - (b\alpha m)\alpha a + b\alpha(m\alpha a) - (m\alpha a)\alpha b$ . Since  $a, b \in T(U)$ , the right side of  $a\alpha(b\alpha m) - (b\alpha m)\alpha a + b\alpha(m\alpha a) - (m\alpha a)\alpha b \in U$  and therefore  $[aab, R]_\Gamma \subset U$  that is  $aab \in T(U)$ . •

**Theorem 3.9** *Let  $R$  be a Simple  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of characteristic  $\neq 2$  and let  $U$  be a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Then, either  $U \subset Z$  or  $U \supset [R, R]_\Gamma$ .*

**Proof:** By Theorem 3.6 and Lemma 3.8,  $T(U)$  is a both a sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring and a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Therefore,  $T(U) \subset Z$  or  $T(U) = R$ . If  $T(U) = R$ , then by the Definition 3.7, we have  $[R, R]_\Gamma \subset U$ . If  $T(U) \subset Z$  and  $U \subset T(U)$ , we obtain  $U \subset Z$ . •

**Corollary 3.10** *If  $R$  has a non-commutative Simple  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of characteristic  $\neq 2$ , then the sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring generated by  $[R, R]_\Gamma$  is  $R$ .*

**Proof:** Any additive sub-group containing  $[R, R]_\Gamma$  is trivially a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Hence, the sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring is generated by  $[R, R]_\Gamma$  is a Lie ideal of  $R$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.6, it equals to  $R$  or is in  $Z$ . If it is in  $Z$ , then  $[R, R]_\Gamma \subset Z$ . Thus, for  $a \in R$ ,  $a$  commutes with all  $a\alpha a$ . In  $a\alpha a$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  then by the Sub-Lemma 3.5, we get  $a \in Z$ , that is  $R \subset Z$ . Since  $R$  to be non-commutative, that is ruled out hence the corollary. •

In Theorem 3.6,  $R$  has a Simple  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of characteristic  $\neq 2$ . Now, we should like to settle the problem when  $R$  has characteristic 2, Theorem 3.6 fail?

Suppose that  $R$  has a Simple  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of characteristic 2 and that  $U$  is a Lie ideal and sub  $\Gamma$ - regular ring of  $R$ , we obtain  $U \neq R$  and  $U$  is not a subset of  $Z$ . As in the proof of Lemma 3.4, we obtain  $U$  as a sub  $\Gamma$ - regular

ring of  $R$  must be commutative. That is given  $u, v \in U$ , then  $uav + vau = 0$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

Let  $a \in U$  then  $a\alpha s + s\alpha a \in U$  for all  $s \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Hence,  $a\alpha(a\alpha s + s\alpha a) = (a\alpha s + s\alpha a)\alpha a$ . This says that  $a\alpha a \in Z$ . Since, for any  $m \in R$ , we have  $a\alpha m + m\alpha a \in U$ , also  $(a\alpha m + m\alpha a)\alpha(a\alpha m + m\alpha a) \in Z$ . If  $Z = 0$ , then  $a\alpha a = 0$ . that is  $(a\alpha m + m\alpha a)\alpha(a\alpha m + m\alpha a) \in Z = 0$  from which we get  $((a\alpha m)\alpha)^2(a\alpha m) = 0$ . But  $a\Gamma R$  is a right ideal of  $R$  in which every element in the form  $((a\alpha m)\alpha)^2(a\alpha m) = 0$ . By Theorem 3.1,  $R$  would have a nilpotent ideal, that is  $R$  would be nilpotent which is impossible for a Simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring.

Therefore, we assume that  $Z \neq 0$  and that there is an element  $a \in U$ ,  $a \notin Z$  such that  $a\alpha a \neq 0 \in Z$  and  $(a\alpha m + m\alpha a)\alpha(a\alpha m + m\alpha a) \in Z$  for all  $m \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Theorem 3.11** *Let  $R$  be a Simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of characteristic 2 and suppose that there exist an element  $a \in R$ ,  $a \notin Z$  such that for all  $a\alpha a \in Z$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a) \in Z$  for all  $x \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Then,  $R$  is a 4 - dimensional over  $Z$ .*

**Proof:** If  $Z = 0$ , then both  $a\alpha a = 0$  and  $[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a) = 0$ . Hence,  $[(a\alpha x)\alpha]^4[a\alpha x] = a\alpha[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha x = 0$  for all  $x \in R$ . But then the right ideal  $a\Gamma R$  satisfies  $(u\alpha)^4 u = 0$  for all elements of  $u \in a\Gamma R$ , by Theorem 3.1, this is not possible in a simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring.

Suppose that  $Z \neq 0$ , hence  $1 \in R$ . If  $a\alpha a = 0$ , then  $b = a + 1$  satisfies  $b\alpha b = 1$  and  $[(b\alpha x + x\alpha b)\alpha]^3[b\alpha x + x\alpha b] \in Z$  for all  $x \in R$ . Therefore, we may assume that  $a\alpha a = p \neq 0 \in Z$ . Let  $\bar{Z} = Z(\sqrt{p})$ , then  $\bar{R} = R \otimes Z \neq \bar{Z}$  is simple. Moreover in  $\bar{R}$ , we have  $[(a\alpha \bar{x} + \bar{x}\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha \bar{x} + \bar{x}\alpha a) \in \bar{Z}$  for all  $\bar{x} \in \bar{R}$ .

Since,  $\dim \bar{R}/\bar{Z} = \dim R/Z$ , to prove the theorem it is enough to do so in  $\bar{R}$ . Also  $b = a/q$  where  $q \in \bar{Z}$ , then  $q\alpha q = p$  satisfies  $b\alpha b = 1$  and  $[(b\alpha \bar{x} + \bar{x}\alpha b)\alpha]^3[b\alpha \bar{x} + \bar{x}\alpha b] \in \bar{Z}$ . Hence without loss of generality we may suppose that  $a \in R$ ,  $a \notin Z$ ,  $a\alpha a = 1$  and  $[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a) \in Z$  for all  $x \in R$ .

Now  $R$  is a dense  $\Gamma$ -regular ring of linear  $\Gamma$ -regular transformations on a vector space  $V$  over a division  $\Gamma$ -regular ring  $\Delta$  (Since  $Z \neq 0$  and  $R$  is simple). Since  $(a + 1)\alpha(a + 1) = 0$ ,  $(a + 1) \neq 0$ ,  $V$  must be more than 1 - dimensional over  $\Delta$ . Since  $a \neq 1$  it is immediate that there is a  $v \in V$  such that  $v, v\alpha a$  are linearly  $\Gamma$ -regular independent over  $\Delta$ .

If for some  $w \in V$ ,  $v, v\alpha a$  and  $w\alpha(1+a)$  are linearly  $\Gamma$ -regular independent over  $\Delta$ , then the sub  $\Gamma$ -regular space  $V_0$  spanned by these is invariant under

$a$  and  $a$  induces the linear  $\Gamma$ -regular transformations  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $V_0$ . By

density of  $R$  on  $V$ , there is an  $x \in R$  which induces  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $V_0$ . Hence,

$(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)$  induces  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $V_0$ . But  $[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a) \in Z$ .

Yet does not induces a scalar on  $V_0$ . Since it induces  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Thus, we

have that for all  $w \in V$  such that  $v, v\alpha a, w$  are linearly  $\Gamma$ -regular independent over  $\Delta$ . If  $V$  is more than 2-dimensional over  $\Delta$ , there is a  $w \in V$  such that  $v, v\alpha a, w$  are linearly  $\Gamma$ -regular independent over  $\Delta$ . By the above,  $w\alpha a$  is in

the sub  $\Gamma$ -regular space  $V$ , they span. The matrix of  $a$  on  $V$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ p & q & r \end{pmatrix}$ .

By density there is an  $x \in R$  which induces  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $V_1$ . But  $(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)$

induces  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . We hve  $[(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)\alpha]^3(a\alpha x + x\alpha a)$  is not a scalar.

Thus, we must have that  $V$  is 2-dimensional over  $\Delta$ . All the remains is to show that  $\Delta$  is commutative. Let  $a = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $a\Gamma_2 a = I_2$  where  $\Gamma_2$  is the set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices of  $\Gamma$ -regular ring over  $\Delta$  and  $I_2$  is the identity matrix. Now, we have  $a\Gamma_2 a = I_2$  becomes  $\begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . It yields

1.  $p\alpha_{11}p + q\alpha_{21}p + p\alpha_{12}r + q\alpha_{22}r = 1$
2.  $p\alpha_{11}q + q\alpha_{21}q + p\alpha_{12}s + q\alpha_{22}s = 0$
3.  $r\alpha_{11}p + s\alpha_{21}p + r\alpha_{12}r + s\alpha_{22}r = 0$
4.  $r\alpha_{11}p + s\alpha_{21}p + r\alpha_{12}q + s\alpha_{22}s = 1$ .

In particular not both  $p, r = 0$ . If  $t \in \Delta$ , then using  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $[(a\Gamma_2 x + x\Gamma_2 a)\Gamma]^3(a\Gamma_2 x + x\Gamma_2 a) \in Z$ . Now  $a\Gamma_2 x + x\Gamma_2 a = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t\alpha_{11}p + t\alpha_{22}r & p\alpha_{11}t + q\alpha_{21}t + t\alpha_{12}q + t\alpha_{22}r \\ 0 & r\alpha_{11}t + s\alpha_{22}t \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore,



$[(a\Gamma_2x+x\Gamma_2a)\Gamma]^3(a\Gamma_2x+x\Gamma_2a) \in Z$ . This gives for all  $t \in \Delta$ , 4 times of  $(t\alpha_{11}p+t\alpha_{22}r)$  and  $(r\alpha_{11}t+s\alpha_{22}t)$  are in  $Z$ . If  $p \neq 0$ , then  $(t\alpha_{11}p+t\alpha_{22}r)$  runs through as  $t$  does, so every  $x \in \Delta$  would satisfy  $(x\Gamma_2)^3x \in Z$ . But a non-commutative division  $\Gamma$ -regular ring cannot be purely inseparable over its centre. This  $p \neq 0$  implies  $\Delta$  is commutative. Similarly,  $r \neq 0$  implies  $\Delta$  is commutative. Since, one of these must hold we get that  $\Delta$  is commutative and so  $R$  is 4 - dimensional over  $Z$ . •

**Theorem 3.12** *If  $R$  is a simple  $\Gamma$ -regular ring and if  $U$  is a Lie ideal of  $R$ , then either  $U \subset Z$  or  $U \supset [R, R]_\Gamma$  except  $R$  is of characteristic 2 and is 4-dimensional over its centre.* •

**Corollary 3.13** *If  $R$  is a simple non-commutative  $\Gamma$ -regular ring, then the sub  $\Gamma$ -regular ring generated by  $[R, R]_\Gamma$  is  $R$ .* •

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