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# **ON** (f,g)-DERIVATIONS OF INCLINE ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce the concept of a (f,g)derivation which is a generalization of f-derivation in an incline algebra and give some properties of incline algebras. Also, we consider the *kerd* and *k*-ideal with respect to (f,g)-derivation in an incline algebra.

## 1. Introduction

The concept of incline algebra was introduced by Cao and later it was developed by Cao, et.al, in [3]. Recently, a survey on incline algebra was made by Kim and Roush [4, 5]. Incline algebra is a generalization of both Boolean and fuzzy algebra and it is a special type of semiring. It has both a semiring structure and a poset structure. It can also be used to represent automata and other mathematical systems, to study inequalities for non-negative matrices of polynomials. In this paper, we introduce the concept of a (f, g)-derivation which is a generalization of f-derivation in an incline algebra and give some properties of incline algebras. Also, we characterize the *kerd* and *k*-ideal with respect to (f, g)-derivation in an incline algebra.

### 2. Incline algebras

An *incline* (algebra) is a set K with two binary operations denoted by "+" and "\*" satisfying the following axioms: for all  $x, y, z \in K$ , (K1) x + y = y + x, (K2) x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z,

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(K3) x \* (y \* z) = (x \* y) \* z, (K4) x \* (y + z) = (x \* y) + (x \* z), (K5) (y + z) \* x = (y \* x) + (z \* x), (K6) x + x = x, (K7) x + (x \* y) = x, (K8) y + (x \* y) = y.

Furthermore, an incline algebra K is said to be *commutative* if x \* y = y \* x for all  $x, y \in K$ . Every distributive lattice is an incline algebra. An incline algebra is a distributive lattice if and only if x \* x = x for all  $x \in K$ . Note that  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x + y = y$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . It is easy to see that " $\leq$ " is a partial order on K and that for any  $x, y \in K$ , the element x + y is the least upper bound of  $\{x, y\}$ . We say that  $\leq$  is induced by operation +.

In an incline algebra K, the following properties hold.

- (K9)  $x * y \leq x$  and  $x * y \leq y$  for all  $x, y \in K$ ,
- (K10)  $x \leq x + y$  and  $y \leq x + y$  for all  $x, y \in K$ ,
- (K11)  $y \le z$  implies  $x * y \le x * z$  and  $y * x \le z * x$ , for all  $x, y, z \in K$ ,
- (K12) If  $x \leq y$  and  $a \leq b$ , then  $x + a \leq y + b$ , and  $x * a \leq y * b$  for all  $a, b, x, y \in K$ .

A subincline of an incline algebra K is a non-empty subset M of K which is closed under the addition and multiplication. A subincline Mis called an *ideal* if  $x \in M$  and  $y \leq x$  then  $y \in M$ . An element "0" in an incline algebra K is a zero element if x+0 = x = 0+x and x\*0 = 0 = 0\*xfor any  $x \in K$ . An non-zero element "1" is called a *multiplicative identity* if x \* 1 = 1 \* x = x for any  $x \in K$ . A non-zero element  $a \in K$  is called a left (resp. right) zero divisor if there exists a non-zero  $b \in K$  such hat a \* b = 0 (resp. b \* a = 0) A zero divisor is an element of K which is both a left zero divisor and a right zero divisor. An incline algebra Kwith multiplicative identity 1 and zero element 0 is called an *integral* incline if it has no zero divisors. By a homomorphism of inclines, we mean a mapping f from an incline algebra K into an incline algebra L such that f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) and f(x\*y) = f(x)\*f(y) for all  $x, y \in K$ . Let K be an incline algebra. An element  $a \in K$  is called a additively left cancellative if for all  $b, c \in K$ ,  $a + b = a + c \Rightarrow b = c$ . An element  $a \in K$  is called a *additively right cancellative* if for all  $b, c \in K$ ,  $b + a = c + a \Rightarrow b = c$ . It is said to be additively cancellative if it is both left and right cancellative. If every element of K is additively left cancellative, it is called *additively left cancellative*. If every element of Kis additively right cancellative, it is called *additively right cancellative*.

# **3.** (f,g)-derivations of incline algebras

Through this article, K stands for an incline algebra with a zero element 0 unless otherwise mentioned.

DEFINITION 3.1. Let K be an incline algebra and let  $f, g : K \to K$  be two endomorphisms on K. A self-map d of an incline algebra K is called an (f, g)-derivation if it satisfies

d(x \* y) = d(x) \* f(y) + g(x) \* d(y) and d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y)

for every  $x, y \in K$ .

EXAMPLE 3.2. Let  $K = \{0, a, b, 1\}$  be a set in which "+" and "\*" is defined by

+	0	a	b	1				a		
		a			_	0	0	0	0	0
a	a	a	b	1		a	0	a	a	a
b	b	b	b	1		b	0	a	b	b
1	1	1	1	1		1	0	a	b	1

Then it is easy to check that (K, +, \*) is an incline algebra. Define a map  $d: K \to K$  by

$$d(x) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } x = a, b, 1\\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

and define two endomorphisms  $f,g:X\to X$ 

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, a \\ b & \text{if } x = b, 1 \end{cases}$$
$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1, a, b \end{cases}$$

Then it is easily checked that d is a (f, g)-derivation of K.

PROPOSITION 3.3. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. If f(0) = g(0) = 0, we have d(0) = 0.

Proof. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. Then d(0) = d(0 \* 0) = (d(0) \* f(0)) + (g(0) \* d(0)) = (d(0) \* 0) + (0 \* d(0)) = 0 + 0 = 0. Kyung Ho Kim

This completes the proof.

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PROPOSITION 3.4. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of a commutative incline algebra K. If  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ , then  $d(x) \leq g(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f(x) \le g(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ . Then we get f(x) + g(x) = g(x). Thus,

$$d(x) = d(x * x) = (d(x) * f(x)) + (g(x) * d(x))$$
  
=  $(d(x) * f(x)) + (d(x) * g(x))$   
=  $d(x) * (f(x) + g(x))$   
=  $d(x) * g(x) \le g(x)$ 

by (K9). This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K and let  $x, y \in K$  be such that  $x \leq y$ . Then  $d(x * y) \leq g(x) + f(y)$ .

*Proof.* Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K and let  $x \leq y$ . Then we have  $d(x) * f(y) \leq f(y)$  and  $g(x) * d(y) \leq g(x)$  from (K9). Hence, by using (K12), we get  $d(x * y) = (d(x) * f(y)) + (g(x) * d(y)) \leq g(x) + f(y)$ . This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. Then we have  $d(x * y) \leq d(x + y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in K$ . By using (K9), we get  $d(x) * f(y) \le d(x)$  and  $g(x) * d(y) \le d(y)$ . Thus we get

$$d(x * y) = d(x) * f(y) + g(x) * d(y) \le d(x) + d(y) = d(x + y).$$

THEOREM 3.7. Let f and g be maps on K such that  $g(x) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ . If d = f and f, g are two endomorphisms on K, then d is a (f, g)-derivation of K.

*Proof.* Let f and g be maps on K such that  $g(x) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ . Then we have g(x) + f(x) = f(x) for all  $x \in K$ . Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x*y) &= f(x*y) = f(x)*f(y) + f(x)*f(y) \\ &= f(x)*f(y) + (g(x) + f(x))*f(y) \\ &= f(x)*f(y) + g(x)*f(y) + f(x)*f(y) \\ &= f(x)*f(y) + g(x)*f(y) \\ &= d(x)*f(y) + g(x)*d(y). \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have d(x + y) = f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) = d(x) + d(y) for all  $x, y \in K$ . This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.8. Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K. If  $d \circ d = d$  and  $f \circ d = f$ , then d(x \* d(x)) = d(x) for all  $x \in K$ .

*Proof.* Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of a distributive lattice K and  $d \circ d = d$  and  $f \circ d = f$ . Then

$$d(x * d(x)) = d(x) * f(d(x)) + g(x) * d(d(x))$$
  
= d(x) \* f(x) + g(x) \* d(x)  
= d(x \* x) = d(x)

for all  $x \in X$ .

DEFINITION 3.9. Let K be an incline algebra. A mapping f is isotone if  $x \leq y$  implies  $f(x) \leq f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ .

PROPOSITION 3.10. Let K be an incline algebra and let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K. Then the following identities hold for all  $x, y \in K$ .

(i)  $d(x * y) \le d(x)$  and  $d(x * y) \le d(y)$ ,

(ii) d is isotone.

*Proof.* (i) Let  $x, y \in K$ . Then by using (K7), we obtain

$$d(x) = d(x + (x * y)) = d(x) + d(x * y).$$

Hence we get  $d(x * y) \leq d(x)$ . Also, d(y) = d(y + (x \* y)) = d(y) + d(x \* y), and so  $d(x * y) \leq d(y)$ .

(ii) Let  $x \leq y$ . Then we have x + y = y, and so d(y) = d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y). Hence  $d(x) \leq d(y)$ .

THEOREM 3.11. Let M be a nonzero ideal of an integral incline K. If d is a nonzero (f, g)-derivation on K where g is a nonzero function on M, d is a nonzero (f, g)-derivation on M.

*Proof.* Assume that g is a nonzero function on M but d is zero (f, g)-derivation on M. Then there is an element  $x \in M$  such that  $g(x) \neq 0$  and d(x) = 0. By (K9),  $x * y \leq x$  and since M is an ideal of K, we get d(x \* y) = 0. Hence we have

$$0 = d(x * y) = (d(x) * f(y)) + (g(x) * d(y))$$
  
= g(x) \* d(y).

Since K has no zero divisors, we have g(x) = 0 or d(y) = 0. Also, we get d(y) = 0 for all  $y \in K$  since  $g(x) \neq 0$ . This contradicts that d is a nonzero (f, g)-derivation on K. Hence d is nonzero on M.

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Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K. Define a set Kerd by

 $Kerd := \{ x \in K \mid d(x) = 0 \}.$ 

PROPOSITION 3.12. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. Then Kerd is a subincline of K.

Proof. Let 
$$x, y \in Kerd$$
. Then  $d(x) = 0, d(y) = 0$  and  
 $d(x * y) = d(x) * f(y) + g(x) * d(y)$   
 $= 0 * y + x * 0$   
 $= 0 + 0 = 0,$ 

and

$$d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y)$$
  
= 0 + 0 = 0.

Therefore,  $x * y, x + y \in Kerd$ . This completes the proof.

THEOREM 3.13. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. Then Kerd is an ideal of K.

*Proof.* Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K. By Proposition 3.12, we know that Kerd is a subincline of K. Let  $x \leq y$  and  $y \in Kerd$ . Then we have y = x + y and d(y) = 0. Hence

$$0 = d(y) = d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y) = d(x) + 0 = d(x),$$

which implies  $x \in Kerd$ , which implies that Kerd is an ideal of K.  $\Box$ 

PROPOSITION 3.14. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. If  $x \in Kerd$ , we have  $x * y \in Kerd$ .

*Proof.* It is clear from Theorem 3.13 since  $x * y \le x \in Kerd$ . This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K. Define a set  $Fix_d(K)$  by

$$Fix_d(K) := \{x \in K \mid f(x) = g(x)\}.$$

PROPOSITION 3.15. Let d be a (f,g)-derivation of K. Then  $Fix_d(K)$  is a subincline of K.

Proof. Let  $x, y \in Fix_d(K)$ . Then f(x) = g(x), f(y) = g(y), and so f(x\*y) = f(x)\*f(y) = g(x)\*g(y) = g(x\*y) and f(x+y) = f(x)+f(y) = g(x)+g(y) = g(x+y). This implies  $x*y, x+y \in Fix_d(K)$ . Thus  $Fix_d(K)$  is a subincline of K.

DEFINITION 3.16. A subincline I of an incline algebra K is called a k-ideal if  $x + y \in I$  and  $y \in I$ , then  $x \in I$ .

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PROPOSITION 3.17. Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of an incline algebra K. Then Kerd is a k-ideal of K.

*Proof.* In Proposition 3.12, it was showed that Kerd is a subincline of K. Let  $x + y \in K$  and  $y \in Kerd$ . Then we have d(y) = d(x + y) = 0. Hence 0 = d(y) = d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y) = d(x) + 0 = d(x), which implies that Kerd is a k-ideal of K.

THEOREM 3.18. Let d be a (f, g)-derivation of K and let K be additively right cancellative. Then  $Fix_d(K)$  is a k-ideal of K.

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.15,  $Fix_d(K)$  is a subincline of K. Let  $x + y \in Fix_d(K)$  and  $y \in Fix_d(K)$ . Then g(x) + g(y) = g(x + y) = f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) = f(x) + g(y). Hence we have f(x) = g(x), which implies  $x \in Fix_d(K)$ . This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

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