

## SYMMETRIC BI- $f$ -MULTIPLIERS OF INCLINE ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we introduce the concept of a symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier in incline algebras and give some properties of incline algebras. Also, we characterize  $Ker(D)$  and  $Fix_a(D)$  by symmetric bi- $f$ -multipliers in incline algebras.

### 1. Introduction

Z. Q. Cao, K. H. Kim and F. W. Roush [2] introduced the notion of incline algebras in their book. Some authors studied incline algebras and application. N. O. Alshehri [1] introduced the notion of derivation in incline algebras. In this paper, we introduce the concept of a symmetric bi- $f$ -derivation in incline algebra and give some properties of incline algebras. Also, we characterize  $Ker_D(K)$  and  $Fix_D(K)$  by symmetric bi- $f$ -derivations in incline algebras.

### 2. Incline algebras

An *incline algebra* is a set  $K$  with two binary operations denoted by “+” and “\*” satisfying the following axioms:

- (K1)  $x + y = y + x$ ,
- (K2)  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$ ,
- (K3)  $x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$ ,
- (K4)  $x * (y + z) = (x * y) + (x * z)$ ,
- (K5)  $(y + z) * x = (y * x) + (z * x)$ ,
- (K6)  $x + x = x$ ,

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$$(K7) \quad x + (x * y) = x,$$

$$(K8) \quad y + (x * y) = y$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

For convenience, we pronounce “+” (resp. “\*”) as addition (resp. multiplication). 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.

$$(K9) \quad x * y \leq x \text{ and } y * x \leq x \text{ for all } x, y \in K,$$

$$(K10) \quad y \leq z \text{ implies } x * y \leq x * z \text{ and } y * x \leq z * x, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in K,$$

$$(K11) \quad \text{If } x \leq y \text{ and } a \leq b, \text{ then } x + a \leq y + b, \text{ and } x * a \leq y * b \text{ for all } x, y, a, b \in K.$$

Furthermore, an incline algebra  $K$  is said to be *commutative* if  $x * y = y * x$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . A map  $f$  is *isotone* if  $x \leq y$  implies  $f(x) \leq f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ .

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  $M$  is said to be 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  $x * 0 = 0 = 0 * x$  for any  $x \in K$ . A 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 said to be a *left* (resp. *right*) *zero divisor* if there exists a non-zero  $b \in K$  such that  $a * b = 0$  (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  $K$  with 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  $x, y \in K$ . A map  $f : K \rightarrow K$  is *regular* if  $f(0) = 0$ . A subincline  $I$  of an incline algebra  $K$  is said to be *k-ideal* if  $x + y \in I$  and  $y \in I$ , then  $x \in I$ . Let  $K$  be an incline algebra. An element  $a \in K$  is called a *additively cancellative* if for all  $a, b \in K$ ,  $a + b = a + c \Rightarrow b = c$ . If every element of  $K$  is additively cancellative, it is called *additively cancellative*.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra. A mapping  $D(.,.) : K \times K \rightarrow K$  is called *symmetric* if  $D(x, y) = D(y, x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in K$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and  $x \in K$ . A mapping  $d(x) = D(x, x)$  is called *trace* of  $D(.,.)$ , where  $D(.,.) : K \times K \rightarrow K$  is a symmetric mapping.

DEFINITION 2.3. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and let  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  be a symmetric mapping. We call  $D$  a symmetric bi-derivation on  $K$  if it satisfies the following condition

$$D(x * y, z) = (D(x, z) * y) + (x * D(y, z))$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

### 3. \*-Symmetric bi- $f$ -multipliers of incline algebras

In what follows, let  $K$  denote an incline algebra with a zero-element unless otherwise specified.

DEFINITION 3.1. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and let  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  be a symmetric mapping. We call  $D$  a *\*-symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier* on  $K$  if there exists a function  $f : K \rightarrow K$  such that

$$D(x * y, z) = D(x, z) * f(y)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

Obviously, a *\*-symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier*  $D$  on  $K$  satisfies the relation

$$D(x, y * z) = D(x, y) * f(z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

EXAMPLE 3.2. Let  $K$  be a commutative incline algebra. Define a mapping on  $K$  by  $D(x, y) = f(x) * f(y)$  where  $f : K \rightarrow K$  satisfies  $f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Then we can see that  $D$  is a *\*-symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier* on  $K$ .

EXAMPLE 3.3. Let  $K$  be a commutative incline algebra and  $a \in K$ . Define a mapping on  $K$  by  $D(x, y) = (f(x) * f(y)) * a$  where  $f : K \rightarrow K$  satisfies  $f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Then we can see that  $D$  is a *\*-symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier* on  $K$ .

EXAMPLE 3.4. Let  $K = \{0, a, b, 1\}$  be a set in which “+” and “\*” is defined by

+	0	a	b	1	*	0	a	b	1
0	0	a	b	1	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  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  by

$$D(x, y) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } (x, y) \in \{(b, b), (b, 1), (1, b), (1, 1)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and  $f : K \rightarrow K$  by

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

Then it is easily checked that  $D$  is a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier of an incline algebra  $K$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.5.** *Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then the following identities hold.*

- (i)  $D(x * y, z) \leq f(y)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in K$ ,
- (ii)  $D(x, y) = D(x, y) * f(1)$ , for all  $x, y \in K$ ,
- (iii)  $D(x * y, z) \leq D(x, z) + f(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in K$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $x, y, z \in K$ . By using (K9), we have  $D(x * y, z) = D(x, z) * f(y) \leq f(y)$ .

(ii) Let  $x, y \in K$ . Then we have  $D(x, y) = D(x * 1, y) = D(x, y) * f(1)$ .

(iii) Let  $x, y, z \in K$ . Then we have  $D(x * y, z) = D(x, z) * f(y) \leq D(x, z)$ . Also, we get  $D(x, z) * f(y) \leq f(y)$ . Therefore, we have  $D(x * y, z) \leq D(x, z) + f(y)$ .  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.6.** *Every  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  with  $f(0) = 0$  is regular.*

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  with a zero element. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} D(0, 0) &= D(x * 0, 0) = D(x, 0) * f(0) \\ &= D(x, 0) * 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in K$ .  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.7.** *Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . If  $K$  is a distributive lattice, we have  $D(x, y) \leq f(x)$  and  $D(x, y) \leq f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and let  $K$  be a distributive lattice. Then  $D(x, y) = D(x * x, y) = D(x, y) * f(x)$ , and so by using (K9), we get  $D(x, y) \leq f(x)$ . Similarly, we have  $D(x, y) \leq f(y)$ .  $\square$

PROPOSITION 3.8. *Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and let  $K$  be a distributive lattice. Then we have  $d(x) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in K$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and let  $K$  be a distributive lattice. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x) &= D(x, x) = D(x * x, x) = D(x, x) * f(x) \\ &= D(x, x) * f(x) \leq f(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in K$ .  $\square$

THEOREM 3.9. *Let  $K$  be an integral incline with a multiplicative identity and let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  where  $f$  is a function satisfying  $f(1) = 1$  and  $a \in K$ . Then for all  $x, y \in K$ , we have  $D(x, y) * a = 0$  implies  $a = 0$  or  $D = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $D(x, y) * a = 0$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Since  $K$  is an integral incline, that is, it has no zero-divisors, we have  $a = 0$  or  $D(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Hence we get  $a = 0$  or  $D = 0$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 3.10. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra. If  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  be a symmetric mapping. We call  $D$  a *additive mapping* if it satisfies

$$D(x + y, z) = D(x, z) + D(y, z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

PROPOSITION 3.11. *Let  $d$  be a trace of additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier  $D$  on  $K$ . Then the following identities hold for all  $x, y \in K$ ,*

- (i)  $d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y) + D(x, y)$  and  $d(x) + d(y) \leq d(x + y)$ ,
- (ii)  $D(x * y, x) \leq d(x)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $x, y \in K$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x + y) &= D(x + y, x + y) = D(x, x + y) + D(y, x + y) \\ &= D(x, x) + D(x, y) + D(y, x) + D(y, y) \\ &= D(x, x) + D(y, y) + D(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

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

(ii) Let  $x, y \in K$ . It follows from (K7) that  $d(x) = D(x, x) = D(x + (x * y), x) = D(x, x) + D(x * y, x)$ , which implies  $D(x * y, x) \leq d(x)$ .  $\square$

PROPOSITION 3.12. Let  $D$  be a trace of  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then  $D(x * y, y) \leq D(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in K$ . Then we have

$$D(x, y) = D(x + x * y, y) = D(x, y) + D(x * y, y),$$

which implies  $D(x * y, y) \leq D(x, y)$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 3.13. Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . If  $x \leq w$  implies  $D(x, y) \leq D(w, y)$ ,  $D$  is called an *isotone  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier* for all  $x, y, w \in K$ .

THEOREM 3.14. Let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then  $D$  is an isotone  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x$  and  $w$  be such that  $x \leq w$ . Then  $x + w = w$ , and so

$$D(w, y) = D(w + x, y) = D(w, y) + D(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y, w \in K$ . This implies that  $D(x, y) \leq D(w, y)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and  $a$  be fixed element in  $K$ . Define a set  $Fix_a(D) = \{x \in K \mid D(a, x) = f(x)\}$  for all  $x \in K$ .

PROPOSITION 3.15. Let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier and let  $f$  be an endomorphism on  $K$ . Then  $Fix_a(D)$  is a subincline of  $K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in Fix_a(D)$ . Then we have  $D(x, a) = f(x)$  and  $D(y, a) = f(y)$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned} D(x * y, a) &= D(x, a) * f(y) \\ &= f(x) * f(y) = f(x * y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get  $x * y \in Fix_a(D)$ . Also, we get  $D(x + y, a) = D(x, a) + D(y, a) = f(x) + f(y) = f(x + y)$ , and so  $x + y \in Fix_a(D)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 3.16. Let  $D$  be a  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  with  $f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . If  $x \in Fix_a(D)$  and let  $f$  be an endomorphism on  $K$ , then  $x * y \in Fix_a(D)$ .

PROPOSITION 3.17. Let  $K$  be additively cancellative and let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and let  $f$  be an endomorphism on  $K$ . Then  $Fix_a(D)$  is a  $k$ -ideal of  $K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x + y \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$  and  $y \in \text{Fix}_D(K)$ . Then we have  $f(x) + f(y) = f(x + y) = D(x + y, a) = D(x, a) + D(y, a) = D(x, a) + f(y)$ . Since  $K$  is additively cancellative, we have  $f(x) = D(x, a)$ , which implies  $x \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

DEFINITION 3.18. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and let  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  be a symmetric mapping. Define a set  $\text{Ker}(D)$  by

$$\text{Ker}(D) = \{x \in K \mid D(0, x) = 0\}.$$

PROPOSITION 3.19. Let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . If  $x \leq y$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}(D)$ , then we have  $x \in \text{Ker}(D)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \leq y$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}(D)$ . Then we get  $x + y = y$  and  $D(0, y) = 0$ . Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= D(0, y) = D(0, x + y) \\ &= D(0, x) + D(0, y) \\ &= D(0, x) + 0 = D(0, x), \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $x \in \text{Ker}(D)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 3.20. Let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then  $\text{Ker}(D)$  is a subincline of  $K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in \text{Ker}(D)$ . Then  $D(x, 0) = 0$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned} D(0, x * y) &= D(x * y, 0) = D(x, 0) * f(y) \\ &= 0 * f(y) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $x * y \in \text{Ker}(D)$ . Now  $D(x + y, 0) = D(x, 0) + D(y, 0) = 0 + 0 = 0$ . Hence  $x + y \in \text{Ker}(D)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

THEOREM 3.21. Let  $D$  be a additive  $*$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then  $\text{Ker}(D)$  is an ideal of  $K$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.10 and 11, It is obvious that  $\text{Ker}(D)$  is an ideal of  $K$ .  $\square$

#### 4. $+$ -Symmetric bi- $f$ -multipliers of incline algebras

DEFINITION 4.1. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra and let  $D : K \times K \rightarrow K$  be a symmetric mapping. We call  $D$  a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  if there exists a function  $f : K \rightarrow K$  such that

$$D(x, y + z) = D(x, y) + f(z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in K$ .

EXAMPLE 4.2. Let  $K$  be an incline algebra. Define a mapping on  $K$  by  $D(x, y) = x + f(y)$  where  $f : K \rightarrow K$  satisfies  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Then we can see that  $D$  is a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ .

PROPOSITION 4.3. Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then the following identities hold.

- (i)  $f(y) \leq D(x, y)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in K$ ,
- (ii)  $D(x, y) + f(y) \leq D(x, y)$ , for all  $x, y \in K$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then we have

$$D(x, y) = D(x, y + y) = D(x, 0) + f(y),$$

which implies  $f(y) \leq D(x, y)$ .

- (ii) Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$ . Then we have

$$D(x, y) = D(x, 0 + y) = D(x, 0) + f(y),$$

which implies  $D(x, 0) + f(y) \leq D(x, y)$ . □

PROPOSITION 4.4. Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  with  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . If  $x \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ , then  $x + y \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$  for all  $y \in K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on  $K$  and  $x \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ . Then we have  $D(a, x) = f(x)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} D(a, x + y) &= D(a, x) + f(y) = f(x) + f(y) \\ &= f(x + y), \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $x + y \in \text{Fix}_D(K)$ . □

PROPOSITION 4.5. Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier on an incline algebra  $K$  that is additively cancellative. If  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in K$  and  $x + y \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$  and  $y \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ , then  $x \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a  $+$ -symmetric bi- $f$ -multiplier and  $x + y \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) + f(y) &= f(x + y) = D(a, x + y) \\ &= D(a, x) + f(y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we get  $D(a, x) + f(y) = f(x) + f(y)$ . Since  $K$  is additively cancellative, we have  $D(a, x) = f(x)$ , which implies  $x \in \text{Fix}_a(D)$ . □



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