

A CAYLEY THEOREM FOR A^* -ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. This paper studies the Cayley's theorem for A^* -algebras. Cayley's theorem for A^* -algebras is proved by showing first that an A^* -algebra structure can be defined on subsets A of ternary functions on a set X and then that every A^* -algebra is isomorphic with such a subalgebra of $\text{Ter}(X)$ for a suitable set X .

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Introduction. E.G. Manes introduced an $Ada(A, \wedge, \vee, (-)^1, (-)_\pi, 0, 1, 2)$ in his paper [6], based on C -algebras introduced by GUZMAN and SQUIR in their paper [2]. P Koteswara Rao [3] introduced the concept of A^* -algebra, analogous to the MANES Adas [6].

The well known Cayley theorem for groups may be summarized as follows: Any group is isomorphic to a group of transformations on some set. BLOOM, ESIK and MANES [7] introduced a Cayley theorem for Boolean algebras, which says that any Boolean algebra is isomorphic to a Boolean algebra of binary functions on a set. In this paper we introduced a Cayley theorem for A^* -algebras which says that any A^* -algebra is isomorphic to an A^* -algebra of ternary functions on a set.

1. Preliminaries.

Definition 1.1. An algebra $(A, \wedge, *, (-)^\sim, (-)_\pi, 1)$ is an A^* -algebra if it satisfies: For $a, b, c \in A$,

- (i) $a_\pi \vee (a_\pi)^\sim = 1, (a_\pi)_\pi = a_\pi$ where $a \vee b = (a^\sim \wedge b^\sim)^\sim$;

- (ii) $a_\pi \vee b_\pi = b_\pi \vee a_\pi$;
- (iii) $(a_\pi \vee b_\pi) \vee c_\pi = a_\pi \vee (b_\pi \vee c_\pi)$;
- (iv) $(a_\pi \wedge b_\pi) \vee (a_\pi \wedge (b_\pi)^\sim) = a_\pi$;
- (v) $(a \wedge b)_\pi = a_\pi \wedge b_\pi, (a \wedge b)^\# = a^\# \vee b^\#$ where $a^\# = (a_\pi \vee a_\pi^\sim)^\sim$;
- (vi) $a_\pi^\sim = (a_\pi \vee a^\#)^\sim, a^\sim^\# = a^\#$;
- (vii) $(a * b)_\pi = a_\pi, (a * b)^\# = (a_\pi)^\sim \wedge (b_\pi^\sim)^\sim$;
- (viii) $a = b$ if and only if $a_\pi = b_\pi, a^\# = b^\#$.

We write 0 for $1^\sim, 2$ for $0 * 1$.

Example 1.2. $3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$ with the operations defined below is an A^* -algebra.

\wedge	0	1	2	\vee	0	1	2	$*$	0	1	2	x	0	1	2
0	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	2	x^\sim	1	0	2
1	0	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	x_π	0	1	0
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	2	2	$x^\#$	0	0	1

Note 1.3. From 1.1 (i) to 1.1 (iv) and by Huntington's theorem [1] we see that, $\mathcal{B}(A) = \{a_\pi/a \in A\}$ is a Boolean algebra with $\wedge, \vee, (-)^\sim, 0$ and $a \in \mathcal{B}(A) \Rightarrow a_\pi = a$. Since $1, 0, (a_\pi)^\sim \in \mathcal{B}(A)$, we have $1_\pi = 1, 0_\pi = 0, (a_\pi)^\sim_\pi = (a_\pi)^\sim$ and $a_\pi \wedge a^\# = 0, a * 0 = a_\pi$.

2. Cayley's theorem for A^* -algebras

2.1. Cayley theorem for Groups. If G is a group, there is a set X such that G is isomorphic to a transformation group on X .

BLOOM, ESIK and MANES [7] have proved the following theorems 2.2, 2.3 which constitute a "Cayley theorem for Boolean algebras".

Theorem 2.2. Cayley theorem for Boolean algebras (part I):

Let B be a subset of $\text{Bin}(X)$ of all binary functions on a set X with the following properties:

- (i) B contains $\pi_1, \pi_1(x, y) = x$ for all $x, y \in X$;
- (ii) $f(x, x) = x$ for all $x \in X$, for all $f \in B$;
- (iii) $f(f(x, y), f(u, v)) = f(x, v)$ for all $f \in B, x, y, \mu, v \in X$;
- (iv) $f(g(x, y), g(\mu, v)) = g(f(x, \mu), f(y, v))$ for all $f, g \in B$, for all $x, y, \mu, v \in X$ and B is closed under the operations \wedge, \vee and $(-)'$;
- (v) $(f \wedge g)(x, y) = f(g(x, y), y)$;
- (vi) $(f \vee g)(x, y) = f(x, g(x, y))$;

- (vii) $f'(x, y) = f(y, x)$ for all x, y and for all f . Then B is a Boolean algebra. Such Boolean algebras on X are called "Guard Algebras" on X .

Theorem 2.3. Cayley theorem for Boolean algebras (part II):
If $(B, \wedge, \vee, (-)', 1, 0)$ is any Boolean algebra, then there is a set X such that B is isomorphic to a Guard algebra on X .

Theorem 2.4. Let A be a subset of $Ter(X)$ of all ternary functions on X with the following properties:

- (i) $f(x, x, x) = x$ for all $f \in A, x \in X$;
- (ii) $f(f(x_1, y_1, z_1), f(x_2, y_2, z_2), f(x_3, y_3, z_3)) = f(x_1, y_2, z_3)$ for all $f \in A$, for all $x_i, y_i, z_i \in X$;
- (iii) $f(g(x_1, y_1, z_1), g(x_2, y_2, z_2), g(x_3, y_3, z_3)) = g(f(x_1, x_2, x_3), f(y_1, y_2, y_3), f(z_1, z_2, z_3))$, for all $f, g \in A$, for all $x_i, y_i, z_i \in X$;
- (iv) A contains the projections π_1, π_2, π_3 where $\pi_1(x, y, z) = x, \pi_2(x, y, z) = y, \pi_3(x, y, z) = z$;

Further, A is closed under the operations $\wedge, \vee, (-)^\sim, (-)_\pi, *$ defined by

- (v) $(f \wedge g)(x, y, z) = f(g(x, y, z), g(y, y, z), z)$;
- (vi) $(f \vee g)(x, y, z) = f(g(x, x, z), g(x, y, z), z)$;
- (vii) $f^\sim(x, y, z) = f(y, x, z)$;
- (viii) $f_\pi(x, y, z) = f(x, y, y)$;
- (ix) $(f * g)(x, y, z) = f(x, g(z, y, z), g(z, y, z))$, for all $f, g \in A$ and for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Then, A is an A^* -algebra.

Such A^* -algebras are called Guard* - algebras on X .

Proof. Define, $f^\#(x, y, z) = (f_\pi \vee f_\pi^\sim)^\sim(x, y, z)$ for all $f \in A$ and for all $x, y, z \in X$. Now we prove for $f \in A$ that $f^\#(x, y, z) = f(y, y, x)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f^\#(x, y, z) &= (f_\pi \vee f_\pi^\sim)^\sim(x, y, z) = (f_\pi^\sim \wedge f_\pi^{\sim\sim})(x, y, z) = \\
 &= f_\pi^\sim(f_\pi^{\sim\sim}(x, y, z), f_\pi^{\sim\sim}(y, y, z), z) \text{ (By 2.4(v))} = \\
 &= f_\pi^\sim(f_\pi^\sim(y, x, z), f_\pi^\sim(y, y, z), z) \text{ (By 2.4(vii))} = \\
 &= f_\pi^\sim(f^\sim(y, x, x), f^\sim(y, y, y), z) \text{ (By 2.4(viii))} = \\
 &= f_\pi^\sim(f(x, y, x), f(y, y, y), z) = f_\pi(f(y, y, y), f(x, y, x), z) = \\
 &= f(f(y, y, y), f(x, y, x), f(x, y, x)) = f(y, y, x) \text{ (By 2.4(ii))}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f^\#(x, y, z) = f(y, y, x)$.

Proofs of the following are left to the reader.

For all $f, g, h \in A$,

$$(1) \quad f_\pi \vee f_\pi^\sim = \pi_1, (f_\pi)_\pi = f_\pi, f \vee g = (f^\sim \wedge g^\sim)^\sim;$$

$$(2) \quad f_\pi \vee g_\pi = g_\pi \vee f_\pi;$$

$$(3) \quad (f_\pi \vee g_\pi) \vee h_\pi = f_\pi \vee (g_\pi \vee h_\pi);$$

$$(4) \quad (f_\pi \wedge g_\pi) \vee (f_\pi \wedge g_\pi^\sim) = f_\pi;$$

$$(5) \quad (f \wedge g)_\pi = f_\pi \wedge g_\pi, (f \wedge g)^\# = f^\# \vee g^\# \left[\text{where } f^\# = (f_\pi \vee f_\pi^\sim)^\sim \right];$$

$$(6) \quad f_\pi^\sim = (f_\pi \vee f^\#)^\sim, f^\sim^\# = f^\#;$$

$$(7) \quad (f * g)_\pi = f_\pi, (f * g)^\# = (f_\pi)^\sim \wedge (g_\pi^\sim)^\sim;$$

$$(8) \quad f_\pi * f^\# = f;$$

Therefore, A is an A^* -algebra. □

Theorem 2.5. Cayley theorem for A^* -algebras (part II): *Every A^* -algebra is isomorphic to a Guard* - algebra on some set X .*

Proof. Let A be an A^* -algebra. $B = \{a_\pi/a \in A\} \Rightarrow B$ is a Boolean algebra. For every $a \in A$, define $f_a : B \times B \times B \rightarrow B$ by $f_a(x, y, z) = (a_\pi x) \vee (a_\pi^\sim y) \vee (a^\# z)$ for all $x, y, z \in B$ (where juxtaposition represents \wedge i.e., $a_\pi x = a_\pi \wedge x$ etc.) $\Rightarrow f_a \in \text{Ter}(B)$, for all $a \in A$.

Define, $f_a \wedge f_b = f_{a \wedge b}$, $(f_a)^\sim = f_{a^\sim}$, $f_a \vee f_b = f_{a \vee b}$, $f_a * f_b = f_{a * b}$, $\pi_1 = f_1$, $\pi_2 = f_0$, $\pi_3 = f_2$. It is easy to see that $\{f_a/a \in A\}$ satisfies 2.4 (i) to

(iv).

$$\begin{aligned}
(v) f_a(f_b(x, y, z), f_b(y, y, z), z) &= f_a(b_\pi x \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z, b_\pi y \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z, z) = \\
&= a_\pi(b_\pi x \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z) \vee (a_\pi^\sim(b_\pi y \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z) \vee a^\# z) = \\
&= a_\pi b_\pi x \vee a_\pi b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi b^\# z \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b^\# z \vee a^\# z = \\
&= a_\pi b_\pi x \vee a_\pi b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee (a_\pi \vee a_\pi^\sim) b^\# z \vee a^\# z = \\
&= a_\pi b_\pi x \vee a_\pi b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee (a^\# \vee b^\# \vee a^\#) z = \\
&= a_\pi b_\pi x \vee a_\pi b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee (a^\# \vee b^\#) z = \\
&= a_\pi b_\pi x \vee (a_\pi b_\pi^\sim \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim) y \vee (a^\# \vee b^\#) z = \\
&= (a \wedge b)_\pi x \vee (a \wedge b)_\pi^\sim y \vee (a \wedge b)^\# z = f_{a \wedge b}(x, y, z) = (f_a \wedge f_b)(x, y, z).
\end{aligned}$$

$$(vi) (f_a * f_b) = f_{a*b}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{a*b}(x, y, z) &= (a * b)_\pi x \vee (a * b)_\pi^\sim y \vee (a * b)^\# z = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee (a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee (a_\pi^\sim)^\sim (b_\pi^\sim)^\sim z) = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee (a_\pi^\sim \vee a^\#) b_\pi^\sim y \vee (a_\pi^\sim \vee a^\pi) (b_\pi^\sim)^\sim z = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee (a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee a^\# b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim z \vee a^\# b_\pi^\sim z) = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee a^\# b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim (b_\pi \vee b^\#) z \vee a^\# (b_\pi \vee b^\#) z = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi^\sim y \vee a^\# b_\pi^\sim y \vee a_\pi^\sim b_\pi z \vee a_\pi^\sim b^\# z \vee a^\# b_\pi z \vee a^\# b^\# z = \\
&= a_\pi x \vee a_\pi^\sim (b_\pi z \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z) \vee a^\# (b_\pi z \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z) = \\
&= f_a(x, f_b(z, y, z), f_b(z, y, z)).
\end{aligned}$$

Define $f : A \rightarrow Ter(B)$ by $f(a) = f_a$ for all $a \in A$. Clearly, f is a homomorphism. Suppose $a, b \in A$ and $f(a) = f(b)$ that is $f_a = f_b$. Then, $f_a(x, y, z) = f_b(x, y, z)$ for all $(x, y, z) \in B \times B \times B \Rightarrow a_\pi x \vee a_\pi^\sim y \vee a^\# z = b_\pi x \vee b_\pi^\sim y \vee b^\# z$, for all $(x, y, z) \in B \times B \times B$. If $x = 1, y = 0, z = 0$, then, $a_\pi = b_\pi$. If $x = 0, y = 0, z = 1$, then $a^\# = b^\#$. Therefore, $a = b$. Therefore, $f : A \rightarrow Ter(B)$ is an A^* -isomorphism. \square

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