

ON TERNARY ALGEBRAS AND A (NEW) TERNARY GENERALIZATION OF JORDAN ALGEBRAS

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This talk is devoted to n -ary algebras, which are generalized versions of certain classes of algebras by considering n -ary multiplications.

Perhaps the most remarkable example of n -ary algebras is the notion of *Filippov algebra* [1] (also known as n -Lie algebras) which is every algebra endowed with an anticommutative n -ary multiplication $[\cdot, \dots, \cdot]$ satisfying a *generalized Jacobi identity*:

$$[[x_1, \dots, x_n], y_2, \dots, y_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n [x_1, \dots, [x_i, y_2, \dots, y_n], \dots, x_n]. \quad (1)$$

Since then, much has been done either by studying its structure, either by introducing some generalizations (*e.g.*, Filippov superalgebras).

In [3] Pozhidaev proposed the following generalization of Mal'tsev algebras: an *n -ary Maltsev algebra* is an n -ary algebra equipped with an anticommutative n -ary multiplication $[\cdot, \dots, \cdot]$ satisfying a *generalized Maltsev identity*. A particular emphasis will be given to M_8 , a certain ternary 8-dimensional Maltsev algebra defined on a composition algebra.

Recently [2], an n -ary generalization of Jordan algebras was proposed (different, in the ternary case, from Jordan triple systems and other generalizations). Let \mathcal{A} be an n -ary algebra with a multilinear multiplication $[[\cdot, \dots, \cdot]] : \times^n \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{V}$, (\mathbb{V} is the underlying vector space). \mathcal{A} is said to be an *n -ary Jordan algebra* if $[[\cdot, \dots, \cdot]]$ is totally commutative and satisfies $[R_x, R_y] \in \text{Der}(\mathcal{A})$. The first examples appear by considering some ternary algebras defined on the direct sum of a field and a vector space, equipping it with a product depending on three given forms. Working on a particular case restricted to a vector space, it is obtained a new example of simple ternary Jordan algebra, TJ_n , such that $\text{Der}(TJ_n) = \text{Inder}(TJ_n) = so(n)$. Further, two non-isomorphic symmetrized matrix ternary Jordan algebras are defined. Defining a certain ternary product on the algebras obtained by the Cayley-Dickson process, a 4-dimensional non-commutative ternary Jordan algebra over the generalized quaternions is built. An analog of the TKK-construction to the case of ternary algebras gives also new examples.

Other n -ary algebras will be mentioned, as well as relations among these.

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