

# Δ-CONTEXT FOR NONSINGULARLY RELATIVE PRIMITIVE RINGS

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## Abstract

In this paper the concept Δ-context is introduced, as a generalization of Morita Context, to give a characterization of nonsingularly relative primitive rings.

## § 0. Introduction

Jacobson<sup>[3]</sup> gave a characterization for primitive rings with a nonzero socle by proving the existence and uniqueness of the corresponding dual space. Among many generalizations of this thought the most famous one might be Morita Context. Armitsur<sup>[2]</sup> used *MO* to study the structure of a class of rings. Zelmanowitz<sup>[8]</sup> introduced the concept Partial Context generalizing *MO*. In order to give a stricter characterization for nonsingularly relative primitive rings, we introduce here a special kind of Partial Context, called Δ-context, and then give the existence and uniqueness of Δ-context for nonsingularly relative primitive rings.

## § 1. Preliminaries and Definitions

Through out this paper,  $\Delta$  will denote a division ring,  $R$  will denote a ring with identity,  $F$  will denote a right Gabriel topology over  $R$ . A ring  $R$  is called a nonsingularly relative primitive ring if it is nonsingularly  $F$ -primitive for some Gabriel topology  $F$ , i. e.,  $R$  admits a faithful nonsingular  $F$ -cocritical module<sup>[7]</sup>. For localization concepts and their properties, the reader is referred to [1] and [5]. Now we recall some results given in [7].

**Proposition 1.1.**<sup>([7], 1.5)</sup> Suppose  $M$  is a faithful  $F$ -cocritical  $R$ -module and  $\Delta = \text{End}_R \bar{M}$  is the corresponding division ring, where  $\bar{M}$  is the quasi-injective hull of  $M$ . Then

$$M \setminus Z_R(M) = \{x \in M : \exists r \in R, r \neq 0, \Delta M r = \Delta x r\}.$$

**Proposition 1.2.**<sup>([7], 2.11, 2.12)</sup> Suppose  $R$  is a nonsingularly  $F$ -primitive ring, and

$M_1$  and  $M_2$  are two faithful  $F$ -cocritical  $R$ -modules. Then  $M_1$  is subisomorphic to  $M_2$  (i. e., they have isomorphic nonzero submodules), and the corresponding division rings  $A_1 = \text{End}_R M_1$  and  $A_2 = \text{End}_R M_2$  are isomorphic to each other.

Now we give the basic definition. For a right  $R$ -module  $V_R$  and a left  $R$ -module  ${}_R W$ ,  $V \otimes_R W$  will denote the tensor product of  $V_R$  and  ${}_R W$ .

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $\Delta$  be a division ring. A  $\Delta$ -context is the sextuple  $(R, V, W, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$ , where  $R$  is a ring,  ${}_A V_R$  and  ${}_R W_A$  are two-sided modules which are vector spaces over  $\Delta$ ,  $X$  is a nonzero left- $R$ -right- $R$ -submodule of  $W \otimes_A V$ ,  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  are two two-sided module homomorphisms,  $(\cdot, \cdot): {}_R X_R \rightarrow {}_R R_R$ ,  $[\cdot, \cdot]: {}_A (V \otimes_R W)_A \rightarrow {}_A \Delta_A$ , satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) If  $(w, v)$  is defined (i. e.,  $w \otimes v \in X$ ), then for every  $w'$  in  $W$ ,  $(w, v)w' = w[v, w]$ .
- (ii) If  $(w, v)$  is defined, then for every  $v'$  in  $V$ ,  $v'(w, v) = [v', w]v$ .
- (iii) For every finite subset  $\{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$  in  $W$ , there is a nonzero element  $v$  in  $V$  such that all  $(w_i, v)$  are defined,  $i=1, \dots, n$ .

Such a  $\Delta$ -context is called faithful, if it satisfies two more conditions:

- (iv)  $V$  is a faithful right  $R$ -module.
- (v) For every nonzero element  $v$  in  $V$ , there is an element  $w$  in  $W$  such that  $[v, w] = 0$ .

A  $\Delta$ -context  $(R, V, W, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$  is called full if  $X = W \otimes_A V$ . Obviously a full  $\Delta$ -context is a Morita Context.

For  $w \in W$ ,  $D_w$  will often denote  $\{v \in V: (w, v) \text{ is defined}\}$ , which is a right  $R$ -submodule of  $V$ .

**Lemma 1.4.** The following is true for a faithful  $\Delta$ -context  $(R, {}_A V_R, {}_R W_A, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$ .

- (i) If  $(w, v) = 0$  then either  $w = 0$  or  $v = 0$ .
- (ii) If for all  $v$  in  $V$ ,  $[v, w] = 0$ , then  $w = 0$ .
- (iii) Let  $v \in V$ . If  $v(X) = 0$ , then  $v = 0$ , where  $(X)$  denotes the homomorphic image of  $X$  in  $R$  under  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ .
- (iv)  $W$  is a faithful left  $R$ -module.

*Proof.* (i) Suppose  $(w, v) = 0$  and  $w = 0$ . For every  $w'$  in  $W$ ,  $w[v, w'] = (w, v)w' = 0$ , thus  $[v, w'] = 0$  since  $[v, w']$  is an element in the division ring  $\Delta$ . Now we know  $v = 0$  by 1.3.(v).

(ii) Let  $v'$  be a nonzero element in  $D$  chosen by 1.3. (iii). For every  $v$  in  $V$ ,  $v(w, v') = [v, w]v' = 0$ , hence  $(w, v') = 0$  by 1.3.(iv). Then  $w = 0$  by (i).

(iii) Suppose  $v(X) = 0$ . For every  $w \in W$ , choose a nonzero element  $v'$  in  $D_w$ . Then  $[v, w]v' = v(w, v') = 0$ . Hence  $[v, w] = 0$  since  $\Delta$  is a division ring. Now  $v = 0$  by (ii).

(iv) Let  $r \in R$ . If  $rW = 0$ , then for every  $v$  in  $V$ ,  $[vr, W] = [v, rW] = 0$ . Hence  $vr = 0$  by 1.3. (v), and  $r = 0$  by 1.3. (iv).

## § 2. Existence and Uniqueness Theorems

**Theorem 2.1.**  *$R$  is a nonsingularly relative primitive ring if and only if  $R$  admits a faithful  $\Delta$ -context for some division ring  $\Delta$ .*

*Proof* Necessity. Suppose  $R$  is a nonsingularly  $F$ -primitive ring, where  $F$  is a Gabriel topology, and  $V_R$  is a faithful nonsingular  $F$ -cocritical module. We may assume that  $V_R$  is quasi-injective by [7], 1.2. Let  $\Delta = \text{End}_R V$ , which is a division ring. Let  $W = \text{PHom}_R(V, R)$ , the set of all partial linear functionals of  $V_R$ . Then  $W \neq 0$  by [9], Theorem 3.2. For  $w \in W$ ,  $w \neq 0$ , let  $D_w$  be the domain of  $w$ , which is a nonzero submodule of  $V_R$ . Let  $X$  be the two-sided submodule of  ${}_R(W \otimes_\Delta V)_R$  generated by all of the elements  $w \otimes_\Delta v$ ,  $w \in W$ ,  $v \in D_w$ . For  $v \in D_w$ , define  $(w, v) = w(v)$ . Obviously this definition can be extended to a two-sided module homomorphism from  $X$  to  ${}_R R_R$ . For  $v \in V$ ,  $w \in W$ , let  $[v, w]$  be the homomorphism from  $D_w$  to  $V$ ,  $[v, w](v') = vw(v') = v(w, v')$ ,  $v' \in D_w$ . Since  $V_R$  is quasiinjective, this homomorphism can be extended to an endomorphism of  $V_R$ , i.e., we may consider  $[v, w] \in \Delta$ . It is not difficult to verify that  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  defines a two-sided module homomorphism from  ${}_A(V \otimes_R W)_A$  to  ${}_A \Delta_A$ . Now we claim that we have constructed a faithful  $\Delta$ -context. 1.3. (i) follows by definition. Let  $w \in W$ ,  $w' \in W$ ,  $v \in D_w$ ,  $r = (w, v) \in R$ ,  $d = [v, w'] \in \Delta$ . Then for every  $z \in d^{-1}D_w \cap D_w \neq 0$  (noting that  $V$  is uniform),  $wd(z) = w(dz) = w([v, w']z) = w(v(w', z)) = w(v)(w', z) = rw'(z)$ . Therefore  $wd = rw'$ , and this is 1.3. (ii). Since  $V_R$  is uniform,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n D_{w_i} \neq 0$  for  $\{w_i\}_{i=1}^n \in W$ , i.e., 1.3. (iii) holds.  $V_R$  is faithful by definition. Now suppose  $v$  is a nonzero element in  $V$ . By 1.1, there exists an element  $r$  in  $R$ , such that  $Vr = \Delta vr \neq 0$ . Let  $f$  be the partial linear functional defined on  $vrR$ ,  $f(vrs) = rs$ ,  $s \in R$ . Then  $f \in W$ , and  $(f, vr) = r \in (X)$ . Hence  $v(X) \neq 0$  since  $0 \neq vr \in v(X)$ . It is easy to see that this implies that  $[v, w] = 0$  is impossible, i.e., 1.3. (v) follows.

Sufficiency. Suppose  $R$  admits a faithful  $\Delta$ -context  $(R, {}_A V_R, {}_R W_A, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$  for some division ring  $\Delta$ . We will prove that  $V_R$  is nonsingular and uniform. Then  $V_R$  is a faithful nonsingular  $G$ -cocritical module, where  $G$  denotes the Goldie topology, and hence  $R$  is a nonsingularly  $G$ -primitive ring. For two nonzero elements  $v_1, v_2$  in  $V$ , choose an element  $w_1$  in  $W$  such that  $[v_1, w_1] \neq 0$ . We may assume that  $[v_1, w_1] = 1$ , for we may substitute  $w_1$  by  $w_1[v_1, w_1]^{-1}$  if necessary. Similarly choose  $w_2$  in  $W$  such that  $[v_2, w_2] = 1$ . By 1.3. (iii) there is a nonzero element  $v$  in  $V$  such that both  $(w_1, v)$  and  $(w_2, v)$  are defined. Then

$v_1(w_1, v) = v = v_2(w_2, v)$ . Therefore  $v_1R \cap v_2R \neq 0$ , and  $V_R$  is uniform. Finally we prove that  $V_R$  is nonsingular. Let  $v$  be a nonzero element in  $V$ . Choose a nonzero element  $w$  in  $W$  such that  $[v, w] \neq 0$ , and a nonzero element  $v'$  in  $D_w$ . Then  $I = (w, v')R$  is a nonzero right ideal of  $R$ . If  $va = 0$  for  $a = (w, v')a' = (w, v'a') \in I$ , then  $[v, w]v'a' = v(w, v'a') = 0$ . Hence  $v'a' = 0$ , and  $a = 0$ . Thus  $\text{ann}_R(v) \cap I = 0$  and  $\text{ann}_R(v)$  is not essential in  $R$ , i. e.,  $Z_R(V) = 0$ .

**Corollary 2.2.**  *$R$  is a primitive ring with a nonzero socle if and only if  $R$  admits a faithful full  $\Delta$ -context for some division ring  $\Delta$ .*

*Proof* If  $R$  is a primitive ring with a nonzero socle, then in the necessity part of the proof of Theorem 2.1,  $V_R$  is simple,  $D_w = V$  for every  $w$  in  $W$ , and hence  $X = W \otimes_\Delta V$ . Conversely, assume the faithful  $\Delta$ -context is also full. For two arbitrary nonzero elements  $v_1, v$  in  $V$ , choose  $w_1$  in  $W$  such that  $[v_1, w_1] = 1$ . Then  $v = v_1(w_1, v) \in v_1R$ , i. e.,  $v_1R = V$ . Hence  $V_R$  is simple. Since  $V_R$  is also nonsingular, we know  $R$  is primitive with a nonzero socle.

Noting that a faithful full  $\Delta$ -context is two-sided faithful Morita Context, we see that the sufficiency of 2.2 is a direct conclusion from the fact that the class of all primitive rings with nonzero socles is a normal class<sup>[4]</sup>. The necessity of 2.2 could also be constructed directly as in the form  $(R, eR, Re)$  over the division ring  $eRe$ . Now we give two lemmas before we discuss the uniqueness of the  $\Delta$ -context.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Suppose  $(R, {}_\Delta V_R, {}_R W_\Delta, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$  is a faithful  $\Delta$ -context. Then  $V_R$  is quasi-injective and  $\Delta = \text{End}_R V$ .*

*Proof* We know  $V_R$  is nonsingular uniform by the proof of the sufficiency of Theorem 2.1. Hence  $V_R$  is moniform. Assume  $f$  is a partial endomorphism of  $V_R$  defined on a nonzero submodule  $U$  of  $V_R$ . Choose  $u \in U$ ,  $w \in W$ , such that  $[u, w] = 1$ . Since  $V_R$  is uniform, we may choose a nonzero element  $v$  in  $U \cap D_w$ . Let  $d = [f(u), w]$ . Noting  $v = [u, w]v = u(w, v)$ , we have  $f(v) = f(u(w, v)) = f(u)(w, v) = [f(u), w]v = dv$ . Since  $V_R$  is moniform,  $f$  and  $d$  are identical on  $U$ . Thus  $f$  could be extended to  $V$ , i. e.,  $V_R$  is quasi-injective and  $\text{End}_R V = \Delta$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *Suppose  $(R, V, W, X, (\cdot, \cdot), [\cdot, \cdot])$  is a faithful  $\Delta$ -context and  $I$  is a nonzero right ideal of  $R$ . Then there exist a nonzero element  $w$  in  $W$  and a nonzero submodule  $U$  of  $V_R$  such that  $(w, u) \in I$  for every element  $u$  in  $U$ .*

*Proof* Since  $V$  is faithful,  $VI \neq 0$ . Thus  $VI(X) \neq 0$  by 1.4. (iii), and  $I(X) \neq 0$ , i. e., there are  $w' \in W$ ,  $v' \in V$ , such that  $I(w', v') = (Iw', v') = 0$ . Now let  $w = aw' \in Iw'$ ,  $a \in I$ ,  $w \neq 0$ ,  $U = D_w \neq 0$ . Then for every  $u \in U$ ,  $(w, u) = a(w', u) \in I$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *Suppose  $R$  is a ring,  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are two division rings,  $(R, {}_{\Delta_1} V_{1R}, {}_R W_{1\Delta_1})$  and  $(R, {}_{\Delta_2} V_{2R}, {}_R W_{2\Delta_2})$  are faithful  $\Delta_1$ - and  $\Delta_2$ -context respectively. Then  $\Delta_1 \cong \Delta_2$ ,  $V_{1R} \cong V_{2R}$  (subisomorphism),  ${}_R W_{1R} \cong W_2$ .*

**Proof** We know that  $V_{1R}$  and  $V_{2R}$  are nonsingular uniform quasi-injective modules, and  $\Delta_1 = \text{End}_R V_1$ ,  $\Delta_2 = \text{End}_R V_2$  by 2.3 and the sufficiency proof of Theorem 2.1. Then by Theorem 1.2  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are isomorphic and  $V_{1R}$  and  $V_{2R}$  are subisomorphic to each other. Let  $V^* = \text{PHom}_R(V_1, R) \cong \text{PHom}_R(V_2, R)$  (noting that  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are uniform modules and subisomorphic to each other). In order to prove  ${}_R W_1 \cong {}_R W_2$ , we only need to prove  ${}_R W_1 \cong {}_R V^* \cong {}_R W_2$ . For  $w \in W_1$ ,  $(w, \cdot)$  defines a homomorphism from  $D_w$  to  $R$ . By 1.4. (i), this gives a natural imbedding of  ${}_R W_1$  in  ${}_R V^*$ . Assume  $f$  is a nonzero element of  $V^*$ , from a nonzero submodule  $U$  of  $V_R$  onto a nonzero right ideal  $I$  of  $R$ . Since  $V_R$  is monoform,  $f$  is an injective map and is an isomorphism from  $U$  to  $I$ . According to 2.4, choose a nonzero submodule  $U'$  of  $V_R$ ,  $w \in W$ , such that  $(w, u') \in I$  for every  $u' \in U$ . We may consider  $w$  as an isomorphism from  $U'$  onto some nonzero right ideal  $I'$  contained in  $I$ . Let  $d$  be the homomorphism:  $U' \xrightarrow{w} I' \xrightarrow{f^{-1}} U$ ,  $d = f^{-1}w$ . Then  $d \in \Delta$ . Now it is easy to see under the embedding  ${}_R W_1 \rightarrow {}_R V^*$ ,  $f = wd^{-1} \in W_1$ , i. e.,  ${}_R W_1 \cong {}_R V^*$ . Similarly  ${}_R W_2 \cong {}_R V^*$ . This ends the proof.

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