

## On Scalar Quasi weak m-power Commutative Algebras

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**Abstract:** A right near-ring  $N$  is called Quasi-weak commutative if  $xyz = yxz$  [3]. A right near-ring  $N$  is called quasi weak  $m$ - power commutative if  $x^m y z = y^m xz$  for all  $x, y, z \in N$ , where  $m \geq 1$  is a fixed integer [5]. An algebra  $A$  over a commutative ring  $R$  is called scalar quasi-weak commutative if for every  $x, y, z \in A$  there exists  $\alpha = \alpha(x, y, z) \in R$  depending on  $x, y, z$  such that  $xyz = \alpha yxz$  [8]. In this paper we generalise the concept of scalar quasi- weak commutative as scalar quasi-weak  $m$ - power commutativity and prove many results.

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### I. Introduction:

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ .  $A$  is called scalar commutative if for each  $x, y \in A$ , there exists  $\alpha \in R$  depending on  $x, y$  such that  $xy = \alpha yx$ . Rich [11] proved that if  $A$  is scalar commutative over a field  $F$ , then  $A$  is either commutative or anti-commutative. KOH, LUH and PUTCHA [9] proved that if  $A$  is scalar commutative with 1 and if  $R$  is a principal ideal domain, then  $A$  is commutative. A near-ring  $N$  is said to be weak-commutative if  $xyz = xzy$  for all  $x, y, z \in N$  (Definition 9.4, p.289, Pliz [10]). An algebra  $A$  over a commutative ring  $R$  is called scalar quasi weak commutative, if for every  $x, y, z \in A$ , there exists  $\alpha = \alpha(x, y, z) \in R$  depending on  $x, y, z$  such that  $xyz = \alpha yxz$  [8]. In this paper we define scalar-quasi weak  $m$ -power commutativity and prove many interesting results analogous to our own results [8].

### II. Preliminaries:

In this section we give some basic definitions and well known results which we use in the sequel.

#### 2.1 Definition [ 10 ]:

Let  $N$  be a near-ring.  $N$  is said to be weak commutative if  $xyz = xzy$  for all  $x, y, z \in N$ .

#### 2.2 Definition:

Let  $N$  be a near-ring.  $N$  is said to be anti-weak commutative if  $xyz = -xzy$  for all  $x, y, z \in N$ .

#### 2.3 Definition [ 2 ]:

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ .  $A$  is called scalar commutative if for each  $x, y \in A$ , there exists  $\alpha = \alpha(x, y) \in R$  depending on  $x, y$  such that  $xy = \alpha yx$ .  $A$  is called scalar anti- commutative if  $xy = -\alpha yx$ .

#### 2.4 Lemma[5]:

Let  $N$  be a distributive near-ring. If  $xyz = \pm xzy$  for all  $x, y, z \in N$ , then  $N$  is either weak commutative or weak anti-commutative.

### 3 Main Results:

#### 3.1 Definition

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ .  $A$  is called an scalar quasi- weak  $m$ -power commutative if for every  $x, y, z \in A$ , there exists scalar  $\alpha \in R$  depending on  $x, y, z$  such that  $x^m y z = \alpha y^m xz$ .

#### 3.2 Definition

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ .  $A$  is called an scalar quasi- weak  $m$ -power anti-commutative if for every  $x, y, z \in A$ , there exists scalar  $\alpha \in R$  depending on  $x, y, z$  such that  $x^m y z = -\alpha y^m xz$ .

#### 3.3 Theorem:

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a field  $F$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

Let  $(x+y)^m = x^m + y^m$  holds for all  $x, y \in A$ . Assume  $\alpha^m = \alpha \forall \alpha \in R$ . If for each  $x, y, z \in A$ , there exists a scalar  $\alpha \in F$  depending on  $x, y, z$  such that  $x^m y z = \alpha y^m x z$  then  $A$  is either quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative or quasi-weak  $m$ -power anti-commutative.

**Proof:**

Suppose  $x^m y z = y^m x z$  for all  $x, y, z \in A$ , there is nothing to prove. Suppose not, we shall prove that  $x^m y z = -y^m x z$  for all  $x, y, z \in A$ .

First we shall prove that if  $x^m y z \neq y^m x z$ , then  $x^{m+1} z = y^{m+1} z = 0$ .

So, assume  $x^m y z \neq y^m x z$ .

Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak m power commutative, there exists  $\alpha = \alpha(x, y, z) \in F$  such that

$$x^m y z = \alpha y^m x z \tag{1}$$

Also there exists a scalar  $\gamma = \gamma(x, x+y, z) \in F$  such that  $x^m (x+y) z = \gamma (x+y)^m x z$ .

$$\text{i.e., } x^m (x+y) z = \gamma (x^m + y^m) x z \tag{2}$$

(1) - (2) gives

$$x^m y z - x^{m+1} z - x^m y z = \alpha y^m x z - \gamma x^{m+1} z - \gamma y^m x z$$

$$(1-\gamma) x^{m+1} z = (\gamma - \alpha) y^m x z \tag{3}$$

Now  $y^m x z \neq 0$  for if  $y^m x z = 0$ , then from (1) we get  $x^m y z = 0$  and so  $x^m y z = y^m x z$ , contradicting our assumption that  $x^m y z \neq y^m x z$ .

Also  $\gamma \neq 1$ , for if  $\gamma = 1$ , then from (3) we get  $\alpha = \gamma = 1$ . Then from (1) we get  $x^m y z = y^m x z$ , again a contradiction.

Now from (3) we get

$$x^{m+1} z = \frac{\gamma - \alpha}{1 - \gamma} y^m x z$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^{m+1} z = \beta y^m x z \text{ for some } \beta \in F. \tag{4}$$

Similarly  $y^{m+1} z = \delta y^m x z$  for some  $\delta \in F$ .  $\rightarrow$  (5)

Now corresponding to each choice of  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4$  in  $F$ , there is an  $\eta \in F$  such that

$$(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y)^m (\alpha_3 x + \alpha_4 y) z = \eta (\alpha_3 x + \alpha_4 y)^m (\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y) z.$$

$$\text{i.e., } (\alpha_1^m x^m + \alpha_2^m y^m) (\alpha_3 x + \alpha_4 y) z = \eta (\alpha_3^m x^m + \alpha_4^m y^m) (\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y) z.$$

Since  $\alpha^m = \alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in F$ , we get

$$\therefore (\alpha_1 x^m + \alpha_2 y^m) (\alpha_3 x + \alpha_4 y) z = \eta (\alpha_3 x^m + \alpha_4 y^m) (\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y) z.$$

$$\therefore \alpha_1 \alpha_3 x^{m+1} z + \alpha_1 \alpha_4 x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 y^m x z + \alpha_2 \alpha_4 y^{m+1} z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_1 x^{m+1} z + \alpha_3 \alpha_2 x^m y z + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 y^m x z + \alpha_4 \alpha_2 y^{m+1} z) \tag{6}$$

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_3 \beta y^m x z + \alpha_1 \alpha_4 x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 y^m x z + \alpha_2 \alpha_4 \delta y^m x z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_1 \beta y^m x z + \alpha_3 \alpha_2 x^m y z + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 y^m x z + \alpha_4 \alpha_2 \delta y^m x z)$$

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_3 \beta \alpha^{-1} x^m y z + \alpha_1 \alpha_4 x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha^{-1} x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_4 \delta \alpha^{-1} x^m y z$$

$$= \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_1 \beta y^m x z + \alpha_3 \alpha_2 \alpha y^m x z + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 y^m x z + \alpha_4 \alpha_2 \delta y^m x z)$$

$$(\alpha_1 \alpha_3 \beta \alpha^{-1} + \alpha_1 \alpha_4 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha^{-1} + \alpha_2 \alpha_4 \delta \alpha^{-1}) x^m y z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_1 \beta + \alpha_3 \alpha_2 \alpha + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 + \alpha_4 \alpha_2 \delta) y^m x z \tag{7}$$

In (7) we choose  $\alpha_2 = 0, \alpha_3 = \alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_4 = -\beta$ .

The Right handside of (7) is zero where as the left hand side of (7) is

$$(\beta \alpha^{-1} - \beta) x^m y z = 0$$

$$\beta (\alpha^{-1} - 1) x^m y z = 0$$

Since  $x^m y z \neq 0$  and  $\alpha \neq 1$ , we get  $\beta = 0$ .

Hence from (4) we get  $x^{m+1} z = 0$ .

Also if in (7) we choose  $\alpha_3 = 0, \alpha_4 = \alpha_2 = 1$  and  $\alpha_1 = -\delta$  the right side of (7) is zero where as the left side of (7) is

$$(-\delta + \delta \alpha^{-1}) x^m y z = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \delta (\alpha^{-1} - 1) x^m y z = 0$$

Since  $x^m y z \neq 0$  and  $\alpha \neq 1$ , we get  $\delta = 0$ .

Hence from (5) we get  $y^{m+1} z = 0$ .

Then (6) becomes

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_4 x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 y^m x z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_2 x^m y z + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 y^m x z)$$

$$\text{i.e., } \alpha_1 \alpha_4 x^m y z + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha^{-1} x^m y z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_2 x^m y z + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 \alpha^{-1} x^m y z)$$

$$(\alpha_1 \alpha_4 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha^{-1}) x^m y z = \eta (\alpha_3 \alpha_2 + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 \alpha^{-1}) x^m y z$$

This is true for any choice of  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4 \in F$ .

Choosing  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_3 = \alpha_4 = 1$  and  $\alpha_2 = -\alpha^{-1}$  we get

$$(1 - (\alpha^{-1})^2) x^m y z = 0.$$

Since  $x^m y z \neq 0, 1 - (\alpha^{-1})^2 = 0$ .

Hence  $(\alpha^{-1})^2 = 1$  i.e.,  $\alpha = \pm 1$ .

Since  $\alpha \neq 1$ , we get  $\alpha = -1$ .

$$\text{i.e., } x^m y z = -y^m x z \text{ for all } x, y, z \in A.$$

$$\text{i.e., } A \text{ is either quasi weak m power commutative or quasi-weak m power anti-commutative.}$$

**3.4 Note:**

Taking  $m = 1$ , we get Theorem 3.2[8].

**3.5 Lemma:**

Let  $A$  be an algebra ( not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Suppose  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$  – power commutative. Then for all  $x, y, z \in A$ ,  $\alpha \in R$ ,  $\alpha x^m yz = 0$  iff  $\alpha y^m xz = 0$ . Also  $x^m yz = 0$  iff  $y^m xz = 0$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $x, y, z \in A$  and  $\alpha \in R$  such that  $\alpha x^m yz = 0$ . Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$  – power commutative there exists  $\beta = \beta(y, x, \alpha z) \in R$  such that  $y^m x(\alpha z) = \beta x^m y(\alpha z)$ .

$$\text{i.e., } \alpha y^m xz = \beta \alpha x^m yz = 0.$$

Conversely assume  $\alpha y^m xz = 0$ . Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$  – power commutative there exists  $\gamma = \gamma(x, y, \alpha z) \in R$  such that

$$x^m y(\alpha z) = \gamma y^m x(\alpha z).$$

$$\text{i.e., } \alpha x^m yz = \gamma \alpha y^m xz = 0.$$

Thus  $\alpha x^m yz = 0$  iff  $\alpha y^m xz = 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in R$ .

Now assume  $x^m yz = 0$ . Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$  – power commutative, there exists scalar  $\delta(y, x, z) \in R$  such that  $y^m xz = \delta x^m yz = 0$ .

Conversely assume  $y^m xz = 0$ . Then there exists scalar  $\eta = \eta(x, y, z) \in R$  such that  $x^m yz = \eta y^m xz = 0$ . Then  $x^m yz = 0$  iff  $y^m xz = 0$ .

**3.6 Note:**

Taking  $m = 1$ , we get Lemma 3.3[8].

**3.7 Lemma:**

Let  $A$  be an algebra ( not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Suppose  $(x+y)^m = x^m + y^m$  for all  $x, y \in A$  and every element of  $R$  is  $m$  – potent (i.e.,  $\alpha^m = \alpha \quad \forall \alpha \in R$ ). Let  $x, y, z, u \in A$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in R$  such that  $x^m u = u^m x$ ,  $y^m xz = \alpha x^m yz$  and  $(y+u)^m xz = \beta x^m (y+u)z$ , then  $(x^m u - \alpha x^m u - \beta x^m u + \alpha \beta x^m u) z = 0$ .

**Proof:**

$$\text{Given } (y+u)^m xz = \beta x^m (y+u)z \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

$$y^m xz = \alpha x^m yz \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{and } x^m u = u^m x \quad \rightarrow (3)$$

From (1) we get

$$(y^m + u^m) xz = \beta x^m (y+u)z$$

$$\text{(ie) } y^m xz + u^m xz = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^m uz \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\alpha x^m yz + u^m xz = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^m uz \text{ (using (2) )}$$

$$\alpha x^m yz + x^m uz = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^m uz \text{ (using (3) )}$$

$$x^m (\alpha y + u - \beta y - \beta u) z = 0$$

By Lemma 3.5, we get

$$(\alpha y + u - \beta y - \beta u)^m xz = 0$$

$$((\alpha y)^m + u^m - (\beta y)^m - (\beta u)^m) xz = 0$$

$$(\alpha^m y^m + u^m - \beta^m y^m - \beta^m u^m) xz = 0$$

Since  $R$  is  $m$  – potent, we get

$$(\alpha y^m + u^m - \beta y^m - \beta u^m) xz = 0$$

$$\text{(ie) } \alpha y^m xz + u^m xz - \beta y^m xz - \beta u^m xz = 0$$

$$\alpha y^m xz + u^m xz - \alpha \beta x^m yz - \beta u^m xz = 0 \quad \rightarrow (5)$$

From (4) we get

$$y^m xz - \beta x^m yz = \beta x^m uz - u^m xz$$

Multiply by  $\alpha$

$$\alpha y^m xz - \alpha \beta x^m yz = \alpha \beta x^m uz - \alpha u^m xz \quad \rightarrow (6)$$

From (5) and (6), we get

$$\alpha \beta x^m uz - \alpha u^m xz + u^m xz - \beta u^m xz = 0.$$

$$(\alpha \beta x^m u - \alpha u^m x + u^m x - \beta u^m x) z = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e., } (u^m x - \alpha u^m x - \beta u^m x + \alpha \beta x^m u) z = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e., } (x^m u - \alpha x^m u - \beta x^m u + \alpha \beta x^m u) z = 0.$$

**3.8 Corollary:**

Taking  $u = x$ , we get

$$(x^{m+1} - \alpha x^{m+1} - \beta x^{m+1} + \alpha \beta x^{m+1}) z = 0.$$

$$(x^m - \alpha x^m) (x - \beta x) z = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^{m-1} (x - \alpha x) (x - \beta x) z = 0.$$

**3.9 Note:**

Taking  $m = 1$ , we get Lemma 3.4 [8] and corollary 3.5 [8].

**3.10 Theorem:**

Let  $A$  be an algebra (not necessarily associative) over a commutative ring  $R$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Suppose  $(x+y)^m = x^m + y^m$  for all  $x, y \in A$  and that  $A$  has no zero divisors. Assume every element of  $R$  is  $m$ -potent. If  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative, then  $A$  is quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative.

**Proof:**

Let  $x, y, z \in A$ .

Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative there exists scalars  $\alpha = \alpha(y, x, z) \in R$  and

$\beta = \beta(y+x, x, z) \in R$

such that

$$(y+x)^m xz = \beta x^m (y+x) z \quad \rightarrow(1)$$

$$y^m xz = \alpha x^m yz \quad \rightarrow(2)$$

From (1) we get

$$(y^m + x^m)xz = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^{m+1} z \quad \rightarrow(3)$$

$$(ie) \quad y^m xz + x^{m+1} z = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^{m+1} z$$

$$\alpha x^m yz + x^{m+1} z - \beta x^m yz - \beta x^{m+1} z = 0 \quad (\text{using (2)})$$

$$x^m (\alpha y + x - \beta y - \beta x) z = 0$$

By Lemma 3.3 we get

$$(\alpha y + x - \beta y - \beta x)^m xz = 0$$

$$(\alpha^m y^m + x^m - \beta^m y^m - \beta^m x^m) xz = 0$$

$$(\alpha y^m + x^m - \beta y^m - \beta x^m) xz = 0 \quad (\text{since } R \text{ is } m \text{ potent})$$

$$(ie) \quad \alpha y^m xz + x^{m+1} z - \beta y^m xz - \beta x^{m+1} z = 0$$

$$\alpha y^m xz + x^{m+1} z - \alpha \beta x^m yz - \beta x^{m+1} z = 0 \quad \rightarrow(4)(\text{using}(2))$$

Multiply (3) by  $\alpha$

$$\alpha y^m xz - \alpha \beta x^m yz + \alpha x^{m+1} z - \alpha \beta x^{m+1} z = 0 \quad \rightarrow(5)$$

From (4) and (5) we get,

$$x^{m+1} z - \beta x^{m+1} z - \alpha x^{m+1} z + \alpha \beta x^{m+1} z = 0$$

$$x^{m-1} (x^2 - \alpha x^2 - \beta x^2 + \alpha \beta x^2) z = 0$$

$$x^{m-1} (x - \alpha x)(x - \beta x) z = 0$$

Since  $A$  has no zero divisors,

$$x = 0 \text{ (or) } x - \alpha x = 0 \text{ (or) } x - \beta x = 0$$

If  $x = 0$ , then  $x^m yz = y^m xz$

If  $x = \alpha x$ , then from (2) we get

$$y^m \alpha xz = \alpha x^m yz$$

$$\alpha (y^m xz - x^m yz) = 0$$

Since  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,  $y^m xz = x^m yz$

If  $x = \beta x$ , then from (3) we get

$$y^m xz + x^{m+1} z = x^m yz + x^{m+1} z$$

$$y^m xz = x^m yz \quad (\text{since } \beta = \beta^m)$$

This  $A$  is quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative.

**3.11 Note:**

Taking  $m = 1$ , we get Lemma 3.6 [8]

**3.12 Definition:**

Let  $R$  be any ring. Let  $m > 1$  be a fixed integer. An element  $a \in R$  is said to be  $m$ -potent if  $a^m = a$ .

**3.13 Lemma:**

Let  $A$  be an algebra with unity over a P.I.D  $R$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Assume  $(x + y)^m = x^m + y^m$  for all  $x, y \in A$  and that every element of  $R$  is  $m$ -potent. If  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative,  $x \in A$  such that  $O(x^{m+1}) = 0$ , then  $x^m yz = y^m xz$  for all  $y, z \in A$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $x \in A$  such that  $O(x^{m+1}) = 0$ .

Let  $y, z \in A$ .

Then there exists scalars  $\alpha = \alpha(y, x, z) \in R$  and  $\beta = \beta(y+x, x, z) \in R$  such that

$$(y+x)^m xz = \beta x^m (y+x) z \quad \rightarrow(1)$$

and

$$y^m xz = \alpha x^m yz \quad \rightarrow(2)$$

From (2) we get

$$(y^m + x^m) xz = \beta x^m yz + \beta x^{m+1} z$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y^m xz + x^{m+1}z &= \beta x^m yz + \beta x^{m+1}z && \rightarrow (3) \\
 \alpha x^m yz + x^{m+1}z - \beta x^m yz - \beta x^{m+1}z &= 0 \\
 x^m (\alpha y + x - \beta y - \beta x) z &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.3 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha y + x - \beta y - \beta x)^m xz &= 0 \\
 (\alpha^m y^m + x^m - \beta^m y^m - \beta^m x^m) xz &= 0 \\
 (\alpha y^m + x^m - \beta y^m - \beta x^m) xz &= 0 \\
 \alpha y^m xz + x^{m+1}z - \beta y^m xz - \beta x^{m+1}z &= 0. \\
 \alpha y^m xz + x^{m+1}z - \alpha \beta x^m yz - \beta x^{m+1}z &= 0. \quad (\text{using (2)}) && \rightarrow (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

Multiply (3) by  $\alpha$ ,

$$\alpha y^m xz - \alpha \beta x^m yz + \alpha x^{m+1}z - \alpha \beta x^{m+1}z = 0 \quad \rightarrow (5)$$

From (4) and (5) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^{m+1}z - \beta x^{m+1}z - \alpha x^{m+1}z + \alpha \beta x^{m+1}z &= 0 \\
 (1 - \alpha - \beta + \alpha \beta) x^{m+1}z &= 0 \\
 \text{i.e. } (1 - \alpha)(1 - \beta) x^{m+1}z &= 0 && \rightarrow (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus for each  $z \in A$ , there exists scalars  $\gamma \in R$  and  $\delta \in R$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma x^{m+1}z &= 0 && \rightarrow (7) \\
 \text{and } \delta x^{m+1}(z+1) &= 0 && \rightarrow (8)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\gamma \times (8) - \delta \times (7)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Therefore } \gamma \delta x^{m+1}z + \gamma \delta x^{m+1} - \gamma \delta x^{m+1}z &= 0 \\
 \gamma \delta x^{m+1} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $O(x^{m+1}) = 0$ , we get

$$\gamma = 0 \quad (\text{or}) \quad \delta = 0$$

Hence from (6) we get  $(1-\alpha)(1-\beta) = 0$ .

(ie) either  $\alpha = 1$  (or)  $\beta = 1$

If  $\alpha = 1$ , from (2) we get  $y^m xz = x^m yz$

If  $\beta = 1$ , from (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (y+x)^m xz &= x^m (y+x)z \\
 (y^m + x^m)xz &= x^m yz + x^{m+1}z \\
 y^m xz + x^{m+1}z &= x^m yz + x^{m+1}z
 \end{aligned}$$

(ie)  $y^m xz = x^m yz$

Hence the Lemma.

### 3.14 Lemma:

Let  $A$  be an algebra with identity over a P.I.D  $R$ . Let  $mez^+$ . Suppose that  $(x+y)^m = x^m + y^m$  for all  $x, y \in A$  and that every element of  $R$  is  $m$ -potent. Suppose that  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative. Assume further that there exists a prime  $p \in R$  such that  $p^m A = 0$ . Then  $A$  is quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative.

#### Proof:

Let  $x, y \in A$  such that  $O(y^m x) = p^k$  for some  $k \in z^+$

We prove by induction on  $k$  that  $x^m yu = y^m x u$  for all  $u \in A$ .

If  $k = 0$ , then  $O(y^m x) = p^0 = 1$  and so  $y^m x = 0$ .

So  $y^m x u = 0$  for all  $u \in A$ .

By Lemma 3.3  $x^m yu = 0$  for all  $u \in A$ .

So assume that  $k > 0$  and that the statements true for all  $1 < k$ .

If  $y^m x u - x^m y u = 0 \quad \forall u \in A$ , then there is nothing to prove.

So, let  $x^m yu - y^m x u \neq 0$ . Since  $A$  is scalar quasi weak  $m$ -power commutative, there exists scalars

$$\alpha = \alpha(x, y, u) \in R \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \beta(x, y+x, u) \in R$$

Such that

$$x^m yu = \alpha y^m x u \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

and

$$x^m (y+x)u = \beta (y+x)^m x u \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

From (2) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^m y u + x^{m+1} u &= \beta (y^m + x^m) x u. \\
 \text{i.e., } x^m y u + x^{m+1} u - \beta y^m x u - \beta x^{m+1} u &= 0 && \rightarrow (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha y^m x u + x^{m+1} u - \beta y^m x u - \beta x^{m+1} u = 0$$

$$(\alpha - \beta) y^m x u = (\beta - 1) x^{m+1} u \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

If  $(\alpha - \beta) y^m x u = 0$ , we get  $(\beta - 1) x^{m+1} u = 0$ .

Since  $x^{m+1}u \neq 0, \beta = 1$ . Hence from (3) we get

$$x^m y u = y^m x u, \text{ contradicting our assumption that } x^m y u \neq y^m x u.$$

So  $(\alpha - \beta)y^m x u \neq 0$ . In particular  $\alpha - \beta \neq 0$ .

Let  $\alpha - \beta = p^t \delta$ .

For some  $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $\delta \in R$  with  $(\delta, p) = 1$ . If  $t \geq k$ , then since  $O(y^m x) = p^k$  we would get  $(\alpha - \beta)y^m x u = 0$ , again a contradiction.

Hence  $t < k$ .

Since  $p^k y^m x u = 0$ , by Lemma 3.5  $p^k x^m y u = 0$ .

From (4) we get

$$\begin{aligned} p^{k-t}(\beta - 1)x^{m+1}u &= p^{k-t}(\alpha - \beta)y^m x u \\ &= p^{k-t}p^t \delta y^m x u \\ &= p^k \delta y^m x u \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $O(x^{m+1}u) = p^i$ . If  $i < k$ , then by induction hypothesis,  $x^m y u = y^m x u$ , a contradiction.

So  $i \geq k$ .

Now  $p^k | p^i | p^{k-t}(\beta - 1)$

and  $p^t | (\beta - 1)$ .

Let  $\beta - 1 = p^t \gamma$  for some  $\gamma \in R$ .

→(5)

Then from (4) we get

$$(\alpha - \beta)y^m x u = (\beta - 1)x^{m+1}u$$

$$p^t \delta y^m x u = p^t \gamma x^{m+1}u$$

$$p^t (\delta y^m - \gamma x^m) x u = 0.$$

i.e.,  $p^t (\delta y - \gamma x)^m (x u) = 0$ .

Hence by induction hypothesis

$$(\delta y - \gamma x)^m (x u) w = (x u)^m (\delta y - \gamma x) w \text{ for all } w \in A.$$

Taking  $u = 1$ , we get

$$(\delta y - \gamma x)^m x w = x^m (\delta y - \gamma x) w$$

$$(\delta y^m - \gamma x^m) x w = x^m (\delta y - \gamma x) w$$

$$\delta y^m x w - \gamma x^{m+1} w = \delta x^m y w - \gamma x^{m+1} w$$

$$\delta (y^m x w - x^m y w) = 0 \quad \rightarrow (6)$$

Since  $(\delta, p) = 1$ , there exists  $\mu, \delta \in R$  such that  $\mu p^m + \gamma \delta = 1$ .

$$\therefore \mu p^m (y^m x w - x^m y w) + \gamma \delta (y^m x w - x^m y w) = y^m x w - x^m y w$$

$$0 + 0 = y^m x w - x^m y w \quad (\because p^m A = 0 \text{ and } (6))$$

$$\therefore y^m x w - x^m y w = 0 \quad \forall w \in A.$$

Hence the Lemma.

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