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## MORE ON MORITA CONTEXTS FOR NEAR-RINGS

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#### Abstract

In [2], the Morita context has been introduced for near-rings as a generalization of a Morita context for rings. In this paper, we are studying ideals in Morita contexts for near-rings, finding new results which continue those in [3]. Firstly, ideals of a Morita context for nearrings are considered in the two ways, that is, one is along to ideals of the near-rings and of the bigroups; another is along to ideals of the Morita context itself. Ideals when M (or  $\Gamma$ ) has a strong unity, prime-ideals and equi-prime ideals are studied obtaining their mutual relationship. To an ideal of a Morita context itself, we put into correspondence another ideal of it. We may construct also a quotient Morita context. An important example of a Morita context which includes  $M_n(R)$  (the matrix nearring over a near-ring R) as an operator ring is given and one ideal of it is obtained. Under certain condition, a Morita context  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  is represented by  $(R, M^*, M, Map_R(M, M))$ , where  $M^* = Map_R(M, R)$ .

Lastly, we can find a categorical equivalence between R-groups and L-groups, where R and L are near-rings in a Morita context  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$ .

#### 1. Preliminaries

Let R be a right near-ring and let  $\Gamma$  be a group (not necessarily abelian).  $\Gamma$  is a *left R-group* if there is a function  $R \times \Gamma \to \Gamma$ ,  $(r, \gamma) \to r\gamma$ , such that  $(r+s)\gamma = r\gamma + s\gamma$  and  $(rs)\gamma = r(s\gamma)$ , for all  $r, s \in R, \gamma \in \Gamma$ .

We say that  $\Gamma$  is a *right R-group* if there is a function  $\Gamma \times R \to \Gamma$ ,  $(\gamma, r) \to \gamma r$ , such that  $(\gamma + \lambda)r = \gamma r + \lambda r$  and  $\gamma(rs) = (\gamma r)s$ , for all  $\gamma, \lambda \in \Gamma$  and  $r, s \in R$ .

If R and L are near-rings and  $\Gamma$  is a group, then  $\Gamma$  is called an R-L-bigroup if  $\Gamma$  is both a left R-group and a right L-group such that

$$(r\gamma)l = r(\gamma l)$$
, for all  $r \in R$ ,  $l \in L$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

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**Definition 1.1.** [see [2] 1.1. Definition]. A quadruple  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  is a *Morita context for near-rings*, if R and L are near-rings,  $\Gamma$  and M are groups such that

- (i)  $\Gamma$  is an *R*-*L*-bigroup;
- (*ii*) M is an L-R-bigroup;
- (*iii*) there exists a function:  $\Gamma \times M \to R$ ,  $(\gamma, m) \to \gamma m$ , such that

$$(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)m = \gamma_1 m + \gamma_2 m, r(\gamma m) = (r\gamma)m, (\gamma m)r = \gamma(mr)$$

and 
$$(\gamma l)m = \gamma(lm)$$
, for all  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $m \in M$ ,  $r \in R$ ,  $l \in L$ ;

(iv) there exists a function:  $M \times \Gamma \to L$ ,  $(m, \gamma) \to m\gamma$ , such that

$$(m_1+m_2)\gamma = m_1\gamma + m_2\gamma, \ l(m\gamma) = (lm)\gamma, \ (m\gamma)l = m(\gamma l)$$

and 
$$(mr)\gamma = m(r\gamma)$$
, for all  $m_1, m_2, m \in M, \gamma \in \Gamma, r \in R, l \in L$ ;

(v) the two above functions are connected by

$$\gamma_1(m\gamma_2) = (\gamma_1 m)\gamma_2$$
 and  $(m_1\gamma)m_2 = m_1(\gamma m_2),$ 

for all  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $m_1, m_2, m \in M$ .

Note that:

$$(m_1\gamma_1)(m_2\gamma_2) = ((m_1\gamma_1)m_2)\gamma_2 = (m_1(\gamma_1m_2))\gamma_2 =$$
$$= m_1((\gamma_1m_2)\gamma_2) = m_1(\gamma_1(m_2\gamma_2)).$$

Similarly, we have

$$(\gamma_1 m_{12})(\gamma_2 m_2) = ((\gamma_1 m_1)\gamma_2)m_2 = (\gamma_1 (m_1\gamma_2))m_2 = \gamma_1 ((m_1\gamma_2)m_2) =$$
$$= \gamma_1 (m_1(\gamma_2 m_2)), \text{ for all } m_1, m_2 \in M, \ \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma.$$

Due to (v), we can represent the above products by  $\gamma_1 m \gamma_2$  and  $m_1 \gamma m_2$ , respectively. Call R and L the operator near-rings in a Morita context.

Examples of Morita contexts for near-rings were given in [2].

Define 
$$[M, \Gamma] := \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \gamma_i | m_i \in M, \ \gamma_i \in \Gamma, \ i = 1, 2, ..., n, \ n \in N \right\}$$
  
and  $[\Gamma, M] := \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{t} \gamma_j m_j | m_j \in M, \ \gamma_j \in \Gamma, \ j = 1, 2, ..., t, \ t \in N \right\}.$ 

**Lemma 1.1.** The sets  $[M, \Gamma]$  and  $[\Gamma, M]$  are subnear-rings of the operator near-rings L and R, respectively.

**Proof.** It can easily be done by straightforward calculations. We only notice that in the case of composition, for example in L, we have:

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \gamma_i\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j \lambda_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \omega_i, \text{ where } \omega_i = \gamma_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j \lambda_j\right),$$
for  $i = 1, 2, ..., n$  since  $\sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j \lambda_j \in L$  and  $\gamma_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j \lambda_j\right) \in \Gamma.\Box$ 

All the near-rings used in the paper are right near-rings.

# 2. Ideals of near-rings and bigroups in Morita contexts and their relationships

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context. A nonempty subset K of M is called an *ideal of* M (we shall denote it by  $K \triangleleft M$ ), if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) (K, +) is a normal subgroup of (M, +); (ii)  $kr \in K$ , for all  $k \in K$ ,  $r \in R$ ; (iii)  $l(k + x) - lx \in K$ , for all  $k \in K$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $l \in L$ . The third condition is equivalent to the condition (iii)' $l(x + k) - lx \in K$ , for all  $k \in K$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $l \in L$ , since K is a normal subgroup of (M, +).

**Definition 2.2.** For  $K \subseteq M$  and  $j \subseteq L$ , we define the sets:

$$KM^{-1} := \{ l \in L | lx \in K \text{ for all } x \in M \},$$
$$J\Gamma^{-1} := \{ a \in M | a\gamma \in J \text{ for all } \gamma \in \Gamma \}.$$

Similarly, for  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$  and  $I \subseteq R$ ,  $\Delta \Gamma^{-1}$  and  $IM^{-1}$  are defined.

Recall that a subset Y of a near-ring X is an *ideal*, if (Y, +) is a normal subgroup of (X, +),  $YX \subseteq Y$  and  $x_1(y + x_2) - x_1x_2 \in Y$ , for all  $x_1, x_2 \in X, y \in Y$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. (i) If  $J \triangleleft L$ , then  $J\Gamma^{-1} \triangleleft M$ . (ii) If  $K \triangleleft M$ , then  $KM^{-1} \triangleleft L$ . (iii) If  $I \triangleleft R$ , then  $IM^{-1} \triangleleft \Gamma$ . (iv) If  $\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma$ , then  $\Delta \Gamma^{-1} \triangleleft R$ .

**Proof** is done by straightforward calculations.  $\Box$ Similarly, by verifying the definitions, one can prove the following

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Mor near-rings. If  $J \lhd L$ ,  $N \lhd M$ ,  $I \lhd R$  and  $\Delta \lhd \Gamma$ , then  $J \subseteq J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \lhd L$ ,  $N \subseteq NM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \lhd M$ ,  $I \subseteq IM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \lhd R$  and  $\Delta \subseteq \Delta\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \lhd \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.5.** M is said to have a *strong-right* (resp. *left*) *unity* if there exist elements  $\delta$  (resp.  $\omega$ ) in  $\Gamma$  and e (resp. f) in M such that, for all  $x \in M, x\delta e = x$  (resp.  $f\omega x = x$ ).

 $\Gamma$  is said to have a *strong-right* (resp. *left*) *unity* if there exist elements  $\lambda$  (resp.  $\alpha$ ) in  $\Gamma$  and a (resp. b) in M such that, for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\gamma a \lambda = \gamma$  (resp.  $\alpha b \gamma = \gamma$ ).

**Remark 2.6.** Assume  $R = [\Gamma, M]$  and  $L = [M, \Gamma]$ . If M has a strong right unity  $(\gamma, e)$ , then  $\gamma e$  is a right identity of R.

Indeed, for  $r = \sum_i \gamma_i x_i \in R$ ,

$$r(\delta e) = (\Sigma_i \gamma_i x_i)(\delta e) = \Sigma_i \gamma_i (x_i \delta e) = \Sigma_i \gamma_i x_i = r.$$

If  $\Gamma$  has a strong unity  $(a, \lambda)$ , then  $a\lambda$  is a right identity of L. Indeed, for  $l = \sum_i y_i \omega_i \in L$ ,

$$l(a\lambda) = (\Sigma_j y_j \omega_j)(a\lambda) = \Sigma_j y_j(\omega_j a\lambda) = \Sigma_j y_j \omega_j = l.$$

**Proposition 2.7.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $L = [M, \Gamma]$ ,  $R = [\Gamma, M]$  and both M and  $\Gamma$  have strong right unities. Then for  $J \triangleleft L$ ,  $N \triangleleft M$ ,  $I \triangleleft R$  and  $\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma$ ,  $J = J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ ,  $N = NM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}$ ,  $I = IM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}$  and  $\Delta = \Delta\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** We only have to prove the inclusions:

$$J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \subseteq J$$
 and  $NM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq N$ .

Let  $(f, \omega)$  be a strong right unity of  $\Gamma$ . Let  $l \in J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ . Hence  $lx\gamma \in J$ , for all  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $l = lf\omega \in J$  (taking x = f,  $\gamma = \omega$ ). Thus,  $J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \subseteq J$ .

Let  $(\delta, e)$  be a strong right unity of M. If  $a \in NM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}$ , then  $a\gamma x \in N$ , for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x \in M$ . Taking  $\gamma = \delta$ , x = e, we obtain

$$a = a\delta e \in N$$
 and  $NM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq N$ .

Other two cases are similarly proved.  $\Box$ Summarizing the above results, we have:

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**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings, with  $L = [M, \Gamma]$  and  $R = [\Gamma, M]$ . If both M and  $\Gamma$  have strong right unities, there are lattice isomorphisms between the lattice of all ideals of M, respectively of  $\Gamma$ , and the lattice of all ideals of L, respectively of R), given by:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} J &\longmapsto & J\Gamma^{-1} \mbox{ (resp. } I \longmapsto IM^{-1}) \mbox{ and respectively} \\ N &\longmapsto & NM^{-1} \mbox{ (resp. } \Delta \longmapsto \Delta\Gamma^{-1}) \mbox{ , where} \\ where & & J \vartriangleright L \mbox{ and } N \vartriangleright M \mbox{ (resp. } I \rhd R \mbox{ and } \Delta \rhd \Gamma). \Box \end{array}$$

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $\Gamma$  has a strong right unity. If  $I \triangleleft R$ , then  $[I, \Gamma] \triangleleft \Gamma$ , where

$$[I,\Gamma] := \{ \Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i \in \Gamma \mid b_i \in I, \ \gamma_i \in \Gamma \}.$$

**Proof.** Since  $0_R = 0_R \gamma \in [I, \Gamma], [I, \Gamma] \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \gamma_i, \sum_{j=1}^m c_j \omega_j \in [I, \Gamma]$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \gamma_i - \sum_{j=1}^{m} c_j \omega_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \gamma_i + \sum_{j=m}^{1} (-c_j) \omega_j \in [I, \Gamma].$$

For all

$$\begin{split} \gamma \in \Gamma, \ \gamma + \Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i - \gamma &= \gamma e \delta + \Sigma_i b_i (\gamma_i e \delta) - \gamma e \delta = \\ &= (\gamma e + \Sigma_i b_i (\gamma_i e) - \gamma e) \delta \in [I, \Gamma], \end{split}$$

since  $\Sigma_i b_i(\gamma_i e) \in I$  and I is a normal subgroup of R. Hence,  $[I, \Gamma]$  is a normal subgroup of  $\Gamma$ .

For all  $l \in L$ ,  $\Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i \in [I, \Gamma]$ , we have  $(\Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i) l = \Sigma_i b_i (\gamma_i l) \in [I, \Gamma]$ , since  $\gamma_i l \in \Gamma$ .

Now, for all  $r \in R, \Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i \in [I, \Gamma], \gamma \in \Gamma, r(\gamma + \Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i) - r\gamma =$ 

$$r(\gamma e\delta + \Sigma_i b_i \gamma_i(e\delta)) - r\gamma(e\delta) = r(\gamma e + \Sigma_i b_i(\gamma_i e)) - r(\gamma e) \in [I, \Gamma],$$

since  $\Sigma_i b_i(\gamma_i e) \in I$  and  $r(\gamma e + \Sigma_i b_i(\gamma_i e)) - r(\gamma e) \in I$ . Therefore  $[I, \Gamma]$  is an ideal of  $\Gamma$ .  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 2.10.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $R = [\Gamma, M]$  and M has a strong right unity. If  $\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma$ , then  $[\Delta, M] \triangleleft R$ , where

$$[\Delta, M] := \{ \Sigma_i \delta_i x_i \in R \mid \delta_i \in \Delta, \ x_i \in M \}.$$

**Proof.** For all 
$$\Sigma \delta_i x_i$$
,  $\sum_{j=1}^n \delta'_j x'_j \in [\Delta, M]$ ,  
 $\Sigma \delta_i x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n \delta'_j x'_j = \Sigma \delta_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^1 (-\delta'_j) x'_j \in [\Delta, M].$ 

Take an arbitrary  $r \in R$ , then  $r = r\omega f$  (see (2.6)). Thus,

 $r + \sum_i \delta_i x_i - r = r \omega f + \sum_i \delta_i (x_i \omega f) - r \omega f = (r \omega + \sum_i \delta_i (x_i \omega) - r \omega) f \in [\Delta, M],$ 

since  $\Sigma_i \delta_i(x_i \omega) \in \Delta$  and  $\Delta$  is a normal subgroup of  $\Gamma$ . Hence  $[\Delta, M]$  is a normal subgroup of R.

For all  $r \in R$  and  $\Sigma_i \delta_i x_i \in [\Delta, M]$ , since  $x_i r \in M$ , we have  $(\Sigma_i \delta_i x_i) r = \Sigma_i \delta_i (x_i r) \in [\Delta, M]$ .

For all 
$$s \in R$$
,  $r(s + \Sigma_i \delta_i x_i) - rs = r(s\omega f + \Sigma_i \delta_i x_i(\omega f)) - rs(\omega f) =$ 

$$= \{r(s\omega + \Sigma_i \delta_i(x_i\omega) - r(s\omega)\} f \in [\Delta, M], \text{ since } \Sigma_i \delta_i(x\omega) \in \Delta,$$

 $\Delta$  is a normal subgroup of  $\Gamma$ , and  $r(s\omega + \Sigma_i \delta_i(x_i\omega)) - r(s\omega) \in \Delta$ . Therefore  $[\Delta, M]$  is an ideal of R.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $R = [\Gamma, M]$  and both M and  $\Gamma$  have strong right unities. Then there are lattice isomorphisms between the lattice of all ideals of  $\Gamma$  and the lattice of all ideals of R, given, by

$$\Delta \longmapsto [\Delta, M] and \ I \longmapsto [I, \Gamma], respectively.$$

**Proof.** Let  $\eta : I \mapsto [I, \Gamma]$  and  $\xi : \Delta \to [\Delta, M]$ . Then, for all  $\Sigma_j(\Sigma_i a_{ij}\gamma_{ij})x_j \in [[I, \Gamma], M]$ , we show that  $\Sigma_j(\Sigma_i a_{ij}(\gamma_{ij}x_j)) \in I$ . Indeed, since  $\gamma_{ij}x_j \in R, a_{ij} \in I$ , then  $a_{ij}(\gamma_{ij}x_j) \in I$  and so

$$\Sigma_i a_{ij}(\gamma_{ij} x_j) \in I$$
 and  $\Sigma_j(\Sigma_i a_{ij}(\gamma_{ij} x_j)) \in I$ .

On the other hand,

$$I = I\omega f = (I\omega)f \subseteq [[I, \Gamma], M].$$

Therefore  $[[I, \Gamma], M] = I$  and this means  $\xi \eta(I) = I$ . Similarly, we have  $\eta \xi(\Delta) = \Delta$ .  $\Box$ 

In the same manner, we prove the following two propositions.

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume M has a strong right unity. If  $J \triangleleft L$ , then  $[J, M] \triangleleft M$ , where

$$[J,M] := \{ \Sigma_i c_i x_i \mid c_i \in J, \ x_i \in M \}. \square$$

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**Proposition 2.13.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $L = [M, \Gamma]$  and  $\Gamma$  has a strong right unity. If  $K \triangleleft M$ , then  $[K, \Gamma] \triangleleft L$ , where

$$[K,\Gamma] := \{ \Sigma_i d_i \gamma_i \mid d_i \in K, \gamma_i \in \Gamma \}. \Box$$

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $L = [M, \Gamma]$  and both M and  $\Gamma$  have strong right unities. There are lattice isomorphisms between the lattice of all ideals of M and the lattice of all ideals of L, given by:

$$K \longmapsto [K, \Gamma] \text{ and } J \longmapsto [J, M], respectively. \Box$$

# 3. Prime ideals of the near-rings and of the bigroups in a Morita context and their relationships

Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. We recall the definition of 3-prime ideals in the near-rings.

**Definition 3.1.** An ideal  $J \triangleleft L$  is called a 3-*prime ideal*, if for any  $l, l' \in L, lLl' \subseteq J$  implies  $l \in J$  or  $l' \in J$ .

Let  $P \triangleleft M$ ,  $P \neq M$ . The ideal P is called a *prime ideal in* M, if , for all  $x, y \in M$ ,  $x \Gamma y \subseteq P$  implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ . P is a 3-prime ideal of M if  $x \Gamma M \Gamma y \subseteq P$  implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ ,  $(x, y \in M)$ , where  $\Gamma M \Gamma = \{ \Sigma_i \gamma_i x_i \lambda_i \mid \gamma_i, \lambda_i \in \Gamma, x_i \in M \}.$ 

**Proposition 3.2.** For an ideal P of M,  $P \neq M$ , the following statements are equivalent:

(1)  $x\Gamma y \subseteq P$ , for  $x, y \in M$ , implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ .

(2)  $x\Gamma M\Gamma y \subseteq P$ , for  $x, y \in M$ , implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ .

**Proof.**Indeed, if (1) holds and  $x\Gamma M\Gamma y \subseteq P$ ,  $x \notin P$ , then, for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x\Gamma(x\gamma y) \subseteq P$ . Since  $x \notin P$ , we have  $x\gamma y \in P$ ; therefore  $y \in P$ . Conversely, if (2) holds, assume  $x\Gamma y \subseteq P$ . As  $\Gamma M\Gamma \subseteq \Gamma$ , we also have  $x\Gamma M\Gamma y \subseteq P$ ; hence  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ . Therefore (1) holds.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Then the following statements hold:

(i) If  $P \triangleleft M$  is prime, then  $PM^{-1}$  is 3-prime.

(ii) If  $J \triangleleft L$  is 3-prime, then  $J\Gamma^{-1}$  is prime.

(iii) There is a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all prime ideals of M and the set of all 3-prime ideals of L.

**Proof.** (i) Let  $l, l' \in L$  such that  $lLl' \subseteq PM^{-1}$ . This implies  $l(x\gamma)l' \in PM^{-1}$ , for all  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , i.e., for all  $y \in M$ ,  $l(x\gamma)l'y \in P$  (by

definition of  $PM^{-1}$ ). But  $l(x\gamma)l'y = (lx)\gamma(l'y) \in P$ , where  $lx, l'y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  is arbitrary. Thus,  $lx \in P$  or  $l'y \in P$ . If for all  $x \in M$ ,  $lx \in P$ , then  $l \in PM^{-1}$ . If there exists an  $x' \in M$ , such that  $lx' \notin P$ , then for all  $y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $(lx')\gamma(l'y) \in P$ ; hence  $l'y \in P$  for all  $y \in M$ . Therefore  $l' \in PM^{-1}$  and  $PM^{-1}$  is a 3-prime ideal of L.

(*ii*) Let  $x, y \in M$  such that  $x\Gamma y \subseteq J\Gamma^{-1}$ . If  $x \in J\Gamma^{-1}$ , then we are ready. Assume  $x \notin J\Gamma^{-1}$ , i.e. there is  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$ , such that  $x\gamma_1 \notin J$ . Taking an arbitrary  $l \in L$ , we have  $\gamma_1 l \in \Gamma$  and  $x(\gamma_1 l)y \in J\Gamma^{-1}$ , i.e. for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $l \in L$ ,  $(x\gamma_1)l(y\mu) \in J$ . But  $x\gamma_1 \notin J$ , J being a 3-prime ideal, hence  $y\mu \in J$  for all  $\mu \in \Gamma$ . Thus,  $y \in J\Gamma^{-1}$ .

*(iii)* The 1-1 correspondence is given in Theorem 2.8, taken it only for prime ideals and respectively 3-prime ideals:

 $J \longmapsto J\Gamma^{-1}, \ P \longmapsto PM^{-1},$ 

where  $J \triangleleft L$  and  $P \triangleleft M$  are 3-prime, respectively prime ideals.

It is sufficient to show the inclusions

$$J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \subseteq J$$
 and  $PM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq P$ ,

because in Theorem 2.8 these inclusions were obtained by using strong unities.

Let  $x \in PM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}$ . Then for all  $y \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x\gamma y \in P$ . Take y = x, therefore  $x\gamma x \in P$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $x \in P$  and  $PM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq P$ . Let  $h \in J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ . As  $J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \triangleleft L$ , for any  $l \in L$ ,  $hl \in J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ , i.e.,  $hlx\gamma \in J$ , for all  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . If J = L, then  $h \in J$ . If  $J \neq L$ , we take  $z\delta \in L \backslash J$  with  $z \in M$ ,  $\delta \in \Gamma$ . Then  $hlz\delta \in J$ , for all  $l \in L$ , implying  $h \in J$ since  $z\delta \notin J$ . Therefore,  $J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \subseteq J$ .  $\Box$ 

Replacing the Morita context  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  in Theorem 3.3 by the Morita context  $(L, M, \Gamma, R)$ , we obtain:

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Then the following statements hold:

(i)' If  $\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma$  is prime, then  $\Delta \Gamma^{-1}$  is 3-prime.

(ii)' If  $I \triangleleft R$  is 3-prime, then  $IM^{-1}$  is prime.

(iii)' There is a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all prime ideals of  $\Gamma$  and the set of all 3-prime ideals of  $R.\Box$ 

We may obtain a result connecting the prime radical of M, namely

$$P(M) := \cap \{ P | P \text{ is prime ideal in } M \},\$$

and the 3-prime radical of the near-ring L, namely

 $P(L) := \cap \{J \mid J \text{ is a 3-prime ideal in } L\}.$ 

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Then  $P(L)\Gamma^{-1} = P(M)$  and  $P(M)M^{-1} = P(L)$ .

**Proof.** It is based upon the equalities  $(\cap J)\Gamma^{-1} = \cap (J\Gamma^{-1})$  and  $(\cap P)M^{-1} = \cap (PM^{-1})$  and Theorem 3.4.

**Remark 3.6.** For P(R) and  $P(\Gamma)$ , we have  $P(R)M^{-1} = P(\Gamma)$  and  $P(\Gamma)\Gamma^{-1} = P(R)$ .

**Definition 3.7.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Let  $P \triangleleft L$ . P is equiprime if there exists  $x \in L \backslash P$  such that  $xll_1 - xll_2 \in P$ , for all  $l \in L$ , implies  $l_1 - l_2 \in P$ , where  $l_1, l_2 \in L$  are arbitrary.

L is said to be *equiprime* if its zero ideal is equiprime, that is, if there exists an element  $0 \neq a \in L$ , such that, for  $l_1, l_2 \in L$ ,  $all_1 = all_2$ , for all  $l \in L$ , implies  $l_1 = l_2$ .

Let  $N \triangleleft M$ . N is equiprime, if there exists  $m \in M \setminus N$  such that  $m\gamma x - m\gamma y \in N$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in M$ , implies  $x - y \in N$ .

M is said to be *equiprime* if its zero ideal is equiprime, that is, if there exists  $a \in M$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , such that for  $x, y \in M$ , with  $a\gamma x = a\gamma y$ , for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we have x = y.

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings.

(i) If  $P \triangleleft L$  is equiprime, then  $P\Gamma^{-1} \triangleleft M$ , is equiprime.

(ii) If  $K \triangleleft M$  is equiprime, then  $KM^{-1} \triangleleft L$  is equiprime.

(iii) There is a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all equiprime ideals of M and the set of all equiprime ideals of L, where  $L=[M,\Gamma]$ .

**Proof.** (i) Suppose  $m \in M$  and  $m \notin P\Gamma^{-1}$ . Then, there is  $\delta \in \Gamma$  such that  $m\delta \notin P$ . Let, for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $m\gamma x - m\gamma y \in P\Gamma^{-1}$ . We show that  $x - y \in P\Gamma^{-1}$ .

For any  $\omega \in \Gamma$ ,  $(m\gamma x - m\gamma y)\omega \in P$ , i.e.  $m\gamma x\omega - m\gamma y\omega \in P$ .

Since  $\gamma$  is arbitrary, putting  $\gamma = \delta l$ , for any  $l \in L$ , we obtain  $(m\delta)l(x\omega) - (m\delta)l(y\omega) \in P$ .

Since  $P \triangleleft L$  is equiprime,  $x\omega - y\omega = (x - y)\omega \in P$ . Hence,  $x - y \in P\Gamma^{-1}$ . (*ii*) Suppose  $a \in L$  and  $a \notin KM^{-1}$ . Then there exists an element  $m \in M$  such that  $am \notin K$ .

For any  $l \in L$ , we assume  $all_1 - all_2 \in KM^{-1}$ , where  $l_1, l_2 \in L$ , and we shall show  $l_1 - l_2 \in KM^{-1}$ . For any  $x \in M$ ,  $(all_1 - all_2)x \in K$  and then  $all_1x - all_2x \in K$ .

For  $m \in M$  and any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $m\gamma \in L$ . Therefore, putting  $l = m\gamma$ , we obtain  $(am)\gamma(l_1x) - (am)\gamma(l_2x) \in K$ .

Since  $K \triangleleft M$  is equiprime,  $l_1 x - l_2 x = (l_1 - l_2) x \in K$  and then  $l_1 - l_2 \in KM^{-1}$ .

(iii) It is sufficient to show the inclusions:

$$J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1} \subseteq J$$
 and  $KM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq K$ .

Let  $l_1 \in J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1}$ . If  $l_1 \in J$ , then the statement is proved. Assume  $l_1 \notin J$ . For any  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $l_1x\gamma \in J$ . For any  $y \in M$ ,  $l \in l, ly \in M$ . Therefore, putting x = ly, we obtain  $l_1(ly) \in J$ , i.e.,  $l_1l(y\gamma) \in J$ , where  $l_1 \notin J$ . But if J is equiprime, then J is prime (see [1], p.3115), therefore  $y\gamma \in J$ . Hence  $\Sigma_i y_i \gamma_i \in J$ , for all  $y_i \in M$ ,  $\gamma_i \in \Gamma$ . But  $[M, \Gamma] = L$ , hence  $L \subseteq J$  and then  $l_1 \in J$ , a contradiction.

Let  $K \triangleleft M$  be equiprime, we shall show that  $KM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq K$ . If  $a \in KM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}$ , then, for  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $a\gamma x \in K$ . If  $a \in K$ , then the statement is proved. Assume  $a \notin K$ . Since if K is equiprime, then K is prime, and  $a\gamma x \in K$ ,  $a \notin K$  implies  $x \in K$ . As x is arbitrary, it follows  $a \in K$ , a contradiction. $\Box$ 

We define the equiprime radical of M by taking:

 $P_*(M) := \cap \{P \mid P \text{ is an equiprime ideal in } M\}$ 

and the equiprime radical (see [1], p. 3117) of the near-ring L:

 $P_*(L) := \cap \{J \mid J \text{ is an equiprime ideal in } L\}.$ 

**Corollary 3.9.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $L = [M, \Gamma]$ . Then

 $P_*(L)\Gamma^{-1} = P_*(M)$  and  $P_*(M)M^{-1} = P_*(L)$ .

**Proof.** It is based upon the equalities  $(\cap J)\Gamma^{-1} = \cap (J\Gamma^{-1})$  and  $(\cap P)M^{-1} = \cap (PM^{-1})$  and Theorem 3.8.

If a Morita context  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  is given, considering  $(L, M, \Gamma, R)$  as a Morita context, we obtain the following theorem and its corollary:

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context.

(i) If the ideal  $\Delta$  of  $\Gamma$  is equiprime, then  $\Delta\Gamma^{-1}$  is equiprime.

(ii) If the ideal of R is equiprime, then  $IM^{-1}$  is equiprime.

(iii) There is a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all equiprime ideals of  $\Gamma$  and the set of all equiprime ideals of R, where  $R = [\Gamma, M].\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.11.** For  $P_*(R)$  and  $P_*(\Gamma)$ , we have

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$$P_*(R)M^{-1} = P_*(\Gamma)$$
 and  $P_*(\Gamma)\Gamma^{-1} = P_*(R).\Box$ 

### 4. Ideals of a Morita context

Recall the definition of an ideal of a Morita context for near-rings (see [2], 4.1).

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $A := (A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{21}, A_{22})$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Then  $B := (B_{11}, B_{12}, B_{21}, B_{22})$  is an *ideal of* A, (we denote it by  $B \triangleleft A$ ), if for  $i, j, k \in \{1, 2\}$ :

(i)  $B_{ij}$  is a normal subgroup of  $A_{ij}$ ;

(*ii*)  $B_{ij}A_{jk} \subseteq B_{ik}$ , where  $B_{ij}A_{jk} := \{xy \mid x \in B_{ij}, y \in A_{jk}\};$ (*iii*)  $A_{ki} * B_{ij} \subseteq B_{kj}$ , where  $A_{ki} * B_{ij} = \{x(y+a) - xy \mid x \in A_{ki}, y \in A_{ij}, a \in B_{ij}\}.$ 

This definition requires that each  $B_{ij}$  is not only an ideal in  $A_{ij}$ , but also it should satisfy additional conditions.

Let  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \lhd (R, \Gamma, M, L)$ . From the definition of an ideal, we can obtain the following mutual relationships between the ideals I and J:

(1) 
$$\begin{cases} \Gamma * (JM) \subseteq I \\ (\Gamma * J)M \subseteq I \end{cases} \text{ and } (2) \qquad \begin{cases} M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J \\ (M * I)\Gamma \subseteq J. \end{cases}$$

Similarly, for  $\Delta$  and K, we have:

(3) 
$$\begin{cases} (M * \Delta)M \subseteq K \\ M * (\Delta M) \subseteq K \end{cases} \text{ and } (4) \qquad \begin{cases} \Gamma * (K\Gamma) \subseteq \Delta \\ (\Gamma * K)\Gamma \subseteq \Delta. \end{cases}$$

If other conditions, like zerosymmetry or having strong right (left) unities, are satisfied, then we can have more strict relationships between I and J, and also between  $\Delta$  and K.

For example, we assume  $\Gamma$  is zero-symmetric, that is

$$r0_R = 0_R, \ r0_\Gamma = 0_\Gamma, \ \gamma 0_M = 0_R, \ \gamma 0_L = 0_\Gamma,$$

$$x0_R = 0_M, \ l0_M = 0_M, \ x0_\Gamma = 0_L, \ l0_L = 0_L,$$

for all  $r \in R$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $l \in L$ .

If  $\Gamma$  has a right strong unity,  $(f, \omega)$ , that is  $\gamma f \omega = \gamma$ , for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then  $\gamma(l+j) - \gamma l = (\gamma(l+j) - \gamma l)f\omega = (\gamma * j)f \in I \subseteq I\Gamma$ , for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $j \in J$ ,  $l \in L$ . Taking l = 0, we obtain  $\gamma j \in I\Gamma$ . Hence,  $x * (\gamma j) \in M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$ , for all  $x \in M$ , that is,  $x(\lambda + \gamma j) - x\lambda \in M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$ , for all  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ .

Taking  $\lambda = 0_{\Gamma}$ , we obtain  $x\gamma j \in M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$ . Hence

$$(\Sigma_i x_i \gamma_i) j \in M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$$
, for all  $x_i \in M, \gamma_i \in \Gamma$ .

If  $L = [M, \Gamma]$  has the left unity  $1_L$ , then  $j \in M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$ . Thus  $J \subseteq M * (I\Gamma) \subseteq J$ , where  $M * (I\Gamma) = J$  and then  $MI\Gamma = J$ .

For a subset  $\Delta_{ij} \subseteq \Gamma_{ij}$ , we obtained  $\Delta_{ij}\Gamma_{kj}^{-1} := \{x \in \Gamma_{ik} \mid x\Gamma_{kj} \subseteq \Delta_{ij}\}$ , for all  $i, j, k \in \{1, 2\}$ . (See [1].)

**Proposition 4.2.** ([2], Prop. 4.2). Let  $\Gamma := (\Gamma_{11}, \Gamma_{12}, \Gamma_{21}, \Gamma_{22})$  be a Morita context and  $\Delta := (\Delta_{11}, \Delta_{12}, \Delta_{21}, \Delta_{22})$  be an ideal of  $\Gamma$ . Then, for  $i, j, k \in \{1, 2\}, \Delta_{ij} \Gamma_{kj}^{-1} \triangleright \Gamma_{ij}. \Box$ 

We shall generalize the proposition as follows:

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  is an ideal of  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$ , then

 $\left(\Delta\Gamma^{-1}, IM^{-1}, J\Gamma^{-1}, KM^{-1}\right) \lhd (R, \Gamma, M, L).$ 

**Proof.** Since  $\Delta\Gamma^{-1} \triangleleft R$ ,  $IM^{-1} \triangleleft \Gamma$ ,  $J\Gamma^{-1} \triangleleft M$ ,  $KM^{-1} \triangleleft L$ , for  $\Delta\Gamma^{-1}$ we shall show:

(i)  $(\Delta\Gamma^{-1})\Gamma \subseteq IM^{-1}$  and  $M * (\Delta\Gamma^{-1}) \subseteq J\Gamma^{-1}$ .

By the definition of  $\Delta\Gamma^{-1}$ , we obtain  $(\Delta\Gamma^{-1})\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$ , and  $\Delta M \subseteq I$ , since  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \lhd (R, \Gamma, M, L)$ . Thus  $(\Delta \Gamma^{-1}) \stackrel{\sim}{\Gamma} \subseteq \Delta \subseteq IM^{-1}$ . For any  $x \in M$ ,  $r \in R$ ,  $a \in \Delta \Gamma^{-1}$ , we have:  $x(r+a) - xr \in M *$ 

 $(\Delta\Gamma^{-1})$ , and, for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $(x(r+a) - xr)\gamma = x(r\gamma + a\gamma) - x(r\gamma) \in J$ , since  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \triangleleft C, M * \Delta \subseteq J \text{ and } x \in M, r\gamma \in \Gamma, a\gamma \in \Delta.$ 

Therefore,  $M * (\Delta \Gamma^{-1}) \subset J \Gamma^{-1}$ .

For  $IM^{-1}$ , we have to show

(ii)  $(IM^{-1})M \subseteq \Delta\Gamma^{-1}$  and  $M * (IM^{-1}) \subseteq KM^{-1}$ .

By the definition of  $IM^{-1}$ ,  $(IM^{-1})M \subseteq I$  and since  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \triangleleft C$ ,  $I\Gamma \subseteq$  $\Delta$  and then  $I \subseteq \Delta \Gamma^{-1}$ . Therefore,  $(IM^{-1})M \subseteq \Delta \Gamma^{-1}$ .

For any  $x(\gamma + \delta) - x\gamma \in M * (IM^{-1})$  (where  $x \in M, \gamma \in \Gamma, \delta \in IM^{-1}$ ) and for any  $y \in M$ , we have  $(x(\gamma + \delta) - x\gamma)y = x(\gamma y + \delta y) - x(\gamma y) \in K$ , since  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \triangleleft C$ ,  $M * I \subseteq K$  and  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma y \in R$ ,  $\delta y \in I$ , (because of  $\Delta M \subseteq I$ , due to  $(I, \Delta, K, J) \triangleleft C$ ). Therefore,  $M * (IM^{-1}) \subseteq KM^{-1}$ .

For  $J\Gamma^{-1}$  and  $KM^{-1}$ , respectively,

(*iii*)  $(J\Gamma^{-1})\Gamma \subseteq KM^{-1}$  and  $\Gamma * (J\Gamma^{-1}) \subseteq \Delta\Gamma^{-1}$ ,

(iv)  $(KM^{-1})M \subset J\Gamma^{-1}$  and  $\Gamma * (KM^{-1}) \subset IM^{-1}$ 

are obtained by the symmetry of a Morita context, that is, if we take an ideal  $(J, K, \Delta, I)$  in the Morita context  $(L, M, \Gamma, R)$ , then, from (i) and (ii), it follows (iv) and (iii), respectively.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 4.4.** Let  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  be an ideal of  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$ . If  $(I, \Delta, K, J) = (\Delta \Gamma^{-1}, IM^{-1}, J\Gamma^{-1}, KM^{-1})$ , then  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  is called a *upper* closed ideal.

If  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  is upper closed, then

$$(*) \ I = \Delta \Gamma^{-1}, \ \Delta = I M^{-1}, \ K = J \Gamma^{-1}, \ J = K M^{-1}$$

implies

$$(**) \ \Delta = \Delta \Gamma^{-1} M^{-1}, \ K = K M^{-1} \Gamma^{-1}, \ J = J \Gamma^{-1} M^{-1} \quad .$$

In general, since the relations:

$$I \subseteq \Delta \Gamma^{-1} \subseteq IM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}, \quad \Delta \subseteq IM^{-1} \subseteq \Delta \Gamma^{-1}M^{-1},$$
$$K \subseteq J\Gamma^{-1} \subseteq KM^{-1}\Gamma^{-1}, \quad J \subseteq KM^{-1} \subseteq J\Gamma^{-1}M^{-1},$$

hold, if (\*\*) holds, then  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  is upper closed. Therefore, (\*) and (\*\*) are equivalent.

As we have seen in § 3, an ideal, when M and  $\Gamma$  have strong right unities, a prime ideal and an equiprime ideal are upper closed.

If a Morita context  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$  is given, we obtain a new Morita context  $C^0 := (L, M, \Gamma, R)$ , immediately.

Now we have:

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings and  $(I, \Delta, K, J)$  be an ideal of C. Then, we obtain a Morita context for nearrings:  $(R/I, \Gamma/\Delta, M/K, L/J)$ .

**Proof.** It is obvious that  $\overline{R} = R/I$  and  $\overline{L} = L/J$  are near-rings, while  $\overline{\Gamma} = \Gamma/\Delta$  and  $\overline{M} = M/K$  are groups. We shall show only that  $\overline{M}$  is an  $\overline{L}$ - $\overline{R}$ -bigroup. For  $\overline{l} \in \overline{L}$ ,  $\overline{x} \in \overline{M}$ , define  $\overline{lx} := \overline{lx}$ , and it is well-defined. Indeed, let l' = l + j, x' = x + k, where  $j \in J$ ,  $k \in K$ . Then

$$l'x' = (l+j)(x+k) = l(x+k) + j(x+k) =$$

$$= (l(x+k) - lx) + (lx + j(x+k) - lx) + lx = k' + lx,$$

where  $k' \in K$ , since  $l(x+k) - lx \in L * K \subseteq K$  and  $lx + j(x+k) - lx \in K$ . Therefore,  $\overline{l'x'} = \overline{lx}$ .

It is easily to verify that M is a left L-group.

Similarly, by defining:  $\overline{x} \cdot \overline{r} := \overline{xr}$ , for any  $\overline{x} \in \overline{M}$ ,  $r \in \overline{R}$ ,  $\overline{M}$  becomes a right  $\overline{R}$ -group (easy verification!).

Now  $\overline{M}$  is an  $\overline{L}$ - $\overline{R}$ -bigroup and  $\overline{\Gamma}$  is an  $\overline{R}$ - $\overline{L}$ -bigroup; using the function:  $\overline{\Gamma} \times \overline{M} \to \overline{R}, \ (\overline{\gamma}, \overline{x}) \to \overline{\gamma}\overline{x}$ , defined by  $\overline{\gamma}\overline{x} := \overline{\gamma}\overline{x}$ , and similarly,  $\overline{x}\overline{\gamma} := \overline{x}\overline{\gamma}$ , for any  $\overline{x} \in \overline{M}, \ \overline{\gamma} \in \overline{\Gamma}$ , we see that  $(\overline{R}, \overline{\Gamma}, \overline{M}, \overline{L})$  is a Morita context.

If we assume  $[\Gamma, M] = R$  and  $[M, \Gamma] = L$ , then  $[\overline{\Gamma}, \overline{M}] = \overline{R}$  and  $[\overline{M}, \overline{\Gamma}] = \overline{L}$ since  $r = \overline{\Sigma_i \gamma_i x_i} = \Sigma_i \overline{\gamma_i x_i} = \Sigma_i \overline{\gamma_i x_i}$  and  $\overline{l} = \overline{\Sigma_j y_j \omega_j} = \Sigma_j \overline{y_j \omega_j} = \Sigma_j \overline{y_j \omega_j} = \Sigma_j \overline{y_j \omega_j}$ .

### 5. An example of Morita context for near-rings

Let R be a unitary near-ring, and take  $1_R$  as the identity of R. Fixing  $r \in R$ , let  $f^r : R \to R$  be a mapping defined by  $f^r(x) = rx$ , for any  $x \in R$ ; let  $\pi_j$  be a projection  $\begin{pmatrix} R \\ R \end{pmatrix} \to R$ , where  $j \in \{1, 2\}$ , and  $\sigma_i$  be an injection  $R \to \begin{pmatrix} R \\ R \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Since R has identity, we have:  $R \cong f^R := \{f^r \in Map(R, R) \mid r \in R\}.$ 

Let *L* be the sub-near-ring of  $Map\left( \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R \end{bmatrix} \right)$  generated by  $\{\sigma_i \circ f^r \circ \pi_i \mid r \in R, i, j \in \{1, 2\}\}.$ 

Then  $L = M_2(R)$ , which is the matrix near-ring over R (see [3]).

Let *P* be the left *R*-right *L*-bisubgroup of  $Map\left(\begin{bmatrix} R\\ R \end{bmatrix}, R\right)$ , generated by  $\{f^r \circ \pi_j \mid r \in R, j \in \{1, 2\}\}$ .

Let Q be the left L-right R-bisubgroup of  $Map\left(\left[\begin{array}{c} R\\ R\end{array}\right]\right)$ , generated by  $\{\sigma_i \circ f^r \mid r \in R, i \in \{1,2\}\}.$ 

**Example 5.1.**  $\Gamma_o = (R, P, Q, L)$  is a Morita context for near-rings.

**Proof.** By definitions of P and Q, it is easy to see that

(i) P is an R-L-bigroup and (ii) Q is an L-R-bigroup.

To show *(iii)*, define  $P \times Q \to R$ , by  $(p,q) \to p \circ q$ , mapping composition, and  $p := f^r \circ \pi_1 + f^s \circ \pi_2$ ,  $q := \sigma_1 \circ f^u + \sigma_2 \circ f^v$ .

Then  $p \circ q(x) = (ru + sv)x$ , where  $ru + sv \in R$ .

It is easy to verify other relations like:  $(p + p') \circ q = p \circ q + p' \circ q$ . To show *(iv)*, define  $Q \times P \to L$ , by  $(q, p) \to q \circ p$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} q \circ p \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} &:= q \left( p \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right), \text{ for all } x, y \in R \text{ and } p := f^r \circ \pi_1 + f^s \circ \pi_2, \\ q &:= \sigma_1 \circ f^u + \sigma_2 \circ f^v. \text{ Then } q \circ p \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \sigma_1 \circ f^u \circ \pi_1 \circ (\sigma_1 \circ f^r \circ \pi_1 + \sigma_1 \circ f^s \circ \pi_2) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, \\ + \sigma_1 \circ f^s \circ \pi_2 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \sigma_2 \circ f^v \circ \pi_1 \circ (\sigma_1 \circ f^r \circ \pi_1 + \sigma_1 \circ f^s \circ \pi_2) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, \\ \text{where} \qquad \sigma_1 \circ f^u \circ \pi_1 \circ (\sigma_1 \circ f^r \circ \pi_1 + \sigma_1 \circ f^s \circ \pi_2) + \end{aligned}$$

$$+\sigma_1 \circ f^v \circ \pi_1 \circ (\sigma_1 \circ f^r \circ \pi_1 + \sigma_1 \circ f^s \circ \pi_2) \in L.$$

The other relations are easily verified.

(v) Since  $p \circ q$ ,  $q \circ p$  are mapping compositions, we obtain  $p' \circ (q \circ p'') = (p' \circ q) \circ p''$  and  $(q' \circ p) \circ q'' = q' \circ (p \circ q'')$ , for all  $p, p', p'' \in P$ ,  $q, q', q'' \in Q$ .

**Remarks 5.2.** (1) Taking 
$$\begin{pmatrix} R \\ \vdots \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$
 instead of  $\begin{pmatrix} R \\ R \end{pmatrix}$ , we can obtain a

Morita context  $\Gamma_o = (R, P, Q, L)$ , where  $L = M_n(R)$ .

(2) One of the important roles of Morita contexts is to investigate the close relations between R and L (see § 6). To aim this we must construct a special ideal. For  $\Gamma_0 = (R, P, Q, L)$ , where  $L = M_2(R)$ , let A < R and define  $A_2 := \left\{ x \in L | x \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R \end{bmatrix} \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Then  $A_2$  is an ideal of L, generated by  $\{\sigma_1 \circ f^a \circ \pi_j \mid a \in A, i, j \in \{1, 2\}\}$ , since  $\sigma_i \circ f^r \circ \pi_j \begin{pmatrix} 1_R \\ 1_R \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore,  $AQ^{-1} \triangleleft P$  and  $A_2P^{-1} \triangleleft Q$ . Now we have

**Proposition 5.3.** For the Morita context  $\Gamma_o = (R, P, Q, L)$ , where  $L = M_2(R)$ ,  $\Delta := (A, AQ^{-1}, A_2P^{-1}, A_2)$  is an ideal of  $\Gamma_o$ .

**Proof.** (1) Since  $AQ^{-1} \triangleleft P$ , we have  $R*(AQ^{-1}) \subseteq AQ^{-1}$  and  $(AQ^{-1})L \subseteq AQ^{-1}$ . By the definition of  $AQ^{-1}, (AQ^{-1})Q \subseteq A$ . We shall show that  $Q*(AQ^{-1}) \subseteq A_2$ . For any  $q \in Q, p \in P, \delta \in AQ^{-1}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R \end{bmatrix}, (q(p+\delta)-qp)\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = q\left(p\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \delta\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) - qp\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = q(r+a) - qr,$  where  $p\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = r, \delta\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = a$ .

We prove that  $\delta \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \in A$ .

Let  $\delta := r_1 \pi_1 + r_2 \pi_2 \in AQ^{-1}$ . Then  $(r_1 \pi_1 + r_2 \pi_2)\pi_1 = r_1 \pi_1 \sigma_1 = r_1 \in A$ . Thus  $r_1 = a_1 \in a$ .  $(r_1 \pi_1 + r_2 \pi_2)\sigma_2 = r_2 \pi_2 \sigma_2 = r_2 \in A$ . Thus  $r_2 = a_2 \in A$ . Thus,  $\delta = a_1 p_1 + a_2 p_2$  and so  $\delta \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = a_1 p_1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + a_2 p_2 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = a_1 x + a_2 y \in A$ .

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A, since  $A \triangleleft R$ .

Taking 
$$q(u) = \begin{bmatrix} tu \\ su \end{bmatrix}$$
, where  $t, s \in R$ , then  

$$q(r+a) - qr = \begin{bmatrix} t(r+a) - tr \\ s(r+a) - sr \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix}$$
Therefore,  $Q * (AQ^{-1}) \subseteq A_2$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} (2) \text{ Since } A_2P^{-1} \lhd Q, \text{ we have } \{(A_2P^{-1})R \subseteq A_2p^{-1}, \ L*(A_2P^{-1}) \subseteq \\ \subseteq A_2P^{-1}, \ (A_2P^{-1})P \subseteq A_2, \text{ by the definition of } A_2P^{-1}. \text{ We shall show } P*\\ (A_2P^{-1}) \subseteq A. \\ \text{ For any } p \in P, \ q \in Q, \ \delta \in A_2P^{-1}, \ x \in R, \ (p(q+\delta) - pq)x = \\ = p(qx + \delta x) - p(qx). \\ \text{Let } \delta = \sigma_1r_1 + \sigma_2r_2. \text{ Since } (\Sigma_{ij}\sigma_i \cdot r_{ij} \cdot \pi_j) \ (\sigma_10 + \sigma_20) = \sigma_10 + \sigma_20 = 0, \text{ for } \\ l(q+a) - lq \in L*(A_2P^{-1}), \text{ where } l \in L, q \in Q, \ a \in A_2P^{-1}, \text{ putting } q = 0, \text{ we } \\ \text{have } la \in L*(A_2P^{-1}). \text{ Thus } L(A_2P^{-1}) \subseteq L*(A_2P^{-1})(\subseteq A_2P^{-1}) \text{ and then } \\ L(A_2P^{-1}) \subseteq A_2P^{-1}. \text{ Thus } \\ \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1_R \end{array}\right] \delta = \sigma_2r_2 \in A_2P^{-1}. \end{array}$ 

Then  $\sigma_1 r_1 p_1 \in A_2$ ,  $\sigma_1 r_2 \pi_2 \in A_2$ ,

$$\delta x = (\sigma_1 r_1 + \sigma_2 r_2) x = \sigma_1 r_1 x + \sigma_2 r_2 x = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 x \\ r_2 x \end{bmatrix} = (\sigma_1 r_1) \pi_1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x \end{bmatrix} + (\sigma_2 r_2) \pi_2 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix}, \text{ since } \sigma_i r_i \pi_i \in A_2.$$
  
Let  $\delta x = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ , and  $qx = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  
 $p(qx + \delta x) - p(qx) = p\left(\begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) - p\begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix}.$ 

Putting  $p = k\pi_1 + h\pi_2$ ,

$$= (k\pi_1 + h\pi_2) \begin{bmatrix} t + a_1 \\ s + a_2 \end{bmatrix} - (k\pi_1 + h\pi_2) \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= k\pi_1 \begin{bmatrix} t + a_1 \\ s + a_2 \end{bmatrix} + h\pi_2 \begin{bmatrix} t + a_1 \\ s + a_2 \end{bmatrix} - ((k\pi_1) \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix} + h\pi_2 \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix}) =$$

$$= k(t + a_1) + h(s + a_2) - (kt + hs) = k(t + a_1) + h(s + a_2) - hs - kt =$$

$$= (k(t + a_1) - kt) + (kt + (h(s + a_2) - hs) - kt) \in A,$$

since  $a_1, a_2 \in A \lhd R$ .

(3) Since  $A \lhd R$ , we have  $AR \subseteq A$  and  $R * A \subseteq A$ . Since (AP)Q AR A, we have  $AP \subseteq AQ^{-1}$ . We shall show that  $Q * A \subseteq A_2P^{-1}$ . To end, we show

that  $(Q * A)P \subseteq A_2$ . For any  $q \in Q$ ,  $r \in R$ ,  $a \in A, p \in P$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R \end{bmatrix}$ , we have

$$(q(r+a) - qr)p \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = q(rs+as) - q(rs), \text{ where } s = p \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Putting  $q(u) = \begin{bmatrix} hu \\ ku \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $h, k, u \in R$ , we get the membership  $\begin{bmatrix} h(rs + as) - h(rs) \\ k(rs + as) - k(rs) \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\Box$ 

(4) For  $A_2$ , since  $A_2 < L$ , we have  $A_2L \subseteq A_2, L * A_2 \subseteq A_2$ . Since  $(A_2Q)P \subseteq A_2L \subseteq A_2$ , we obtain  $A_2Q \subseteq A_2P^{-1}$ . Now, we shall show  $P * A_2 \subseteq AQ^{-1}$ , that is,  $(P * A_2)Q \subseteq A$ .

For any  $p \in P$ ,  $l \in L$ ,  $a \in A_2$ ,  $q \in Q$ ,  $x \in R$ ,

$$(p(l+a) - pl)q(x) = p\left(l \begin{bmatrix} t\\s \end{bmatrix} + a \begin{bmatrix} t\\s \end{bmatrix}\right) - pl \begin{bmatrix} t\\s \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $q(x) = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix}$ . Putting  $l \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $a \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , we have (p(l+a) - pl)q(x) equal to  $p\left(\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) - p\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$  in A,

as we have shown that  $P * (A_2 P^{-1}) \subseteq A$  in (2).  $\Box$ 

**Remarks 5.4.** For the Morita context  $\Gamma = (R, P, Q, L)$ , where  $L = M_n(R)$ , we have an ideal  $(A, AQ^{-1}, A_nP^{-1}, A_n)$ , where  $A \triangleleft R$ ,  $R \ni 1_R$  and  $A_n := \left\{ x \in M_n(R) \mid x \begin{bmatrix} R \\ \vdots \\ R \end{bmatrix} \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \vdots \\ A \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

### 6. A representation of a Morita context for near-rings

Let  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Using the nearring R and the right R-group  $M_R$  from C, we can construct a Morita context for near-rings:  $(R, M^*, M, S)$  [see [2], Example 3], where  $M^* =$  $Map_R(M, R) := \{f \mid f : M \to R \text{ is a function such that } f(xr) = f(x)r$ , for all  $x \in M$  and  $r \in R\}$ , and  $S = Map_R(M, M) :=$  := { $s \mid s : M \to M$  is a function such that s(xr) = s(x)r, for all  $x \in M$  and  $r \in R$ }.

**Theorem 6.1.** Suppose that  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  is a Morita context for nearrings. Assume  $\gamma M = 0$  implies  $\gamma = 0$  and M has a strong left unity. Then

(1)  $\Gamma \cong M^*$  as bigroups;

(2)  $L \cong Map_R(M, M)$  as near-rings.

Assume  $x\Gamma = 0$  implies x = 0 and  $\Gamma$  has a strong left unity. Then

(3)  $M \cong \Gamma^*$  as bigroups;

(4)  $R \cong Map_R(\Gamma, \Gamma)$  as near-rings.

**Proof.** (1) Consider a map  $\Gamma \to M^*$ ,  $\gamma \to \bar{\gamma}$ , where, for  $\forall m \in M$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}(m) := \gamma m \in R$ . Since  $\bar{\gamma}(mr) = \gamma(mr) = \bar{\gamma}(m)r$ , then  $\bar{\gamma} \in M^*$ . For any  $m \in M$ ,  $\overline{\gamma + \gamma'}(m) = (\gamma + \gamma')m = \gamma m + \gamma' m = \bar{\gamma}(m) + \bar{\gamma}'(m)(\bar{\gamma} + \bar{\gamma}')(m)$ . Therefore  $\overline{\gamma + \gamma'} = \bar{\gamma} + \bar{\gamma}'$  and similarly  $\overline{r\gamma} = r\bar{\gamma}, \ \overline{\gamma l} = \bar{\gamma}l$ .

Therefore ,,-" is a bigroup homomorphism. To see it is injective, let  $\gamma = \omega$ , then for any  $m \in M$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}(m) = \overline{\omega}(m)$ ,  $\gamma m = \omega m$ ,  $(\gamma + (-\omega))m = 0$ .

By the assumption " $\gamma M = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma = 0$ ", we obtain  $\gamma + (-\omega) = 0$ , that is  $\gamma = \omega$ .

Let  $(e, \delta)$  be a left unity of M. For any  $f \in M^*$ ,  $f(e) \in R$  and then  $f(e)\delta \in R\delta \subseteq \Gamma$ .

For any  $x \in M$ ,  $\overline{f(e)\delta}(x) = (f(e)\delta)x = f(e)(\delta x) = f(e\delta x) = f(x)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{f(e)\delta} = f$ .

Therefore, ,,-" is surjective and therefore it is a bigroup isomorphism.

(2) Now consider the mapping ,,-":  $L \to Map_R(M,M), \ l \mapsto \bar{l}$ , where for any  $m \in M, \ \bar{l}(m) := lm \in M$ . By straightforward calculations, we prove that ,,-" is an isomorphism of near-rings. From the Morita context  $C = (R, \Gamma, M, L)$ , we obtain a Morita context  $C' = (L, M, \Gamma, R)$ .

From C', we have a Morita context  $(L, \Gamma^*, \Gamma, U)$ , where  $\Gamma^* = Map_L(\Gamma, L)$ and  $U = Map_L(\Gamma, \Gamma)$ .

Under the assumptions  $,x\Gamma = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ " and the existence of a strong left unity  $(\omega, f)$  of  $\Gamma$ , i.e.,  $\omega f \gamma = \gamma$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we obtain, similarly, (3) and (4). $\Box$ 

**Corollary 6.2.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings.

Assume  $\gamma M = 0$  implies  $\gamma = 0$  and  $x\Gamma = 0$  implies x = 0, both M and  $\Gamma$  having strong left unities; then  $M \cong (M^*)^*$  and  $\Gamma \cong (\Gamma^*)^*$  as bigroups;  $R \cong Map_{Map_R(M,M)}(M^*, M^*)$  and  $\Gamma \cong (\Gamma^*)^*$  as bigroups;

 $L \cong Map_{Map_R(\Gamma,\Gamma)}(\Gamma^*,\Gamma^*)$  as near-rings.

**Remark 6.3.** If  $\Gamma$  has a strong right unity  $(f, \omega)$ , then  $\gamma M = 0$  implies  $\gamma = 0$ , since  $\gamma M = 0$ , and then  $\gamma f = 0f = 0$ , whence  $\gamma = \gamma f \omega = 0\omega = 0$ .

Similarly, if M has a strong right unity  $(\omega, f)$ , then  $x\Gamma = 0$  implies x = 0.

Thus, both M and  $\Gamma$  have strong unities, then Theorem 6.1 and Corollary 6.2 hold.

# 7. Equivalence between a category of right *R*-groups and a category of right *L*-groups for a Morita context $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$

Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context. Let  $[M, R] := \{\Sigma_i m_i r_i \in M \mid m_i \in M, r_i \in R\}$ . Then, for any  $x \in M$ ,  $x \omega f \in [M, R]$  and so [M, R] = M, where  $(\omega, f)$  is a right strong unity of M.

If xR = 0, then  $x = x\omega f = 0$ , since  $\omega f \in R$ .

In the following,  $\mathcal{G}(R)$  denotes the category of right *R*-groups where the morphisms are *R*-group homomorphisms, that is, let  $G_R, G'_R$  be right *R*-groups, a map  $f : G \to G'$  is said to be an *R*-group homomorphism if  $f(g_1 + g_2) = f(g_1) + f(g_2)$  and f(gr) = f(g)r, for all  $g_1, g_2, g \in G$  and  $r \in R$ .

Similarly,  $\mathcal{G}(L)$  denotes the category of right L-groups over L where morphisms are L-group homomorphisms.

The following theorem gives the equivalence of the categories  $\mathcal{G}(R)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(L)$ .

**Theorem 7.1.** Let  $(R, \Gamma, M, L)$  be a Morita context for near-rings. Assume  $R = [\Gamma, M]$ ,  $L = [M, \Gamma]$ , M has a strong right unity and  $\Gamma$  has a strong right unity. Then the categories of right R-groups and right L-groups are equivalent.

**Proof.** Let  $G \in 0b\mathcal{G}(R)$ . Let A be a free additive group generated by the set of ordered pairs  $(g, \gamma)$ , where  $g \in G$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , and let B be the subgroup of elements  $\Sigma_i m_i(g_i, \gamma_i) \in A$ , where  $m_i$  are integers such that  $\Sigma_i m_i g_i(\gamma_i x) = 0$ , i.e.  $B := \{\Sigma_i m_i(g_i \gamma_i) \in A \mid \Sigma_i m_i g_i(\gamma_i x) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in M\}$ . Then B is a normal subgroup of A. Indeed, for any  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ ,  $x \in M$ ,

$$(a+b-a)x = ax + bx - ax = ax + 0 - ax = 0,$$

where for  $a = \sum_i m_i(g_i \gamma_i)$  and  $x \in M$ , we define  $ax := \sum_i m_i g_i(\gamma_i x)$ .

Therefore, we can make a factor group A/B and denote it by  $[G, \Gamma]$ . Denote by  $[g, \gamma]$  the coset  $(g, \gamma) + B$ . We have  $[g_1, \gamma] + [g_2, \gamma] = [g_1 + g_2, \gamma]$  and  $[gr, \gamma] = [g, r\gamma]$ . Each element in  $[G, \Gamma]$  can be expressed as a finite sum  $\Sigma_i[g_i, \gamma_i]$ .

 $[G,\Gamma]$  is a right L-group with respect to the external operation

$$(\sigma_i[g_i,\gamma_i]) \, l = \Sigma_i[g_i(\gamma_i lf),\omega] = [\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i lf),\omega] \in [G,\Gamma],$$

since  $l = lf\omega$ ,  $lf \in M$  and  $\gamma_i(lf) \in R$ .

An *R*-group homomorphism  $f : G_R \to H_R$  determines an *L*-group homomorphism  $\overline{f} : [G, \Gamma] \to [H, \Gamma]$  by  $f(\Sigma_i[g_i, \gamma_i]) := \Sigma_i[f(g_i), \gamma_i]$ , where  $g_i \in G$ ,  $\gamma_i \in \Gamma$ .

Since  $\Sigma_i[g_i, \gamma_i] = \Sigma_j[g'_j, \gamma'_j]$  implies, for any  $x \in N$ , the equality:  $\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i x) = \Sigma_j g'_j(\gamma'_j x)$ , we can show that  $\overline{f}$  is well-defined.

Now, let us verify that  $[G, \Gamma] \in 0b\mathcal{G}(L)$ .

For any  $\Sigma_i[g_i, \gamma_i]$ ,  $\Sigma_i[g'_i, \gamma'_i] \in [G, \Gamma]$  and  $l, l' \in L$ ,

$$(\Sigma_i[g_i,\gamma_i] + \Sigma_i[g'_i,\gamma'_i])l = [\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i lf) + \Sigma_j g'_j(\gamma'_j lf),\omega] =$$
$$= [\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i lf),\omega] + [\Sigma_i g'_i(\gamma'_i lf),\omega] = \Sigma_i [g_i,\gamma_i]l + \Sigma_j [g'_j,\gamma'_j]l$$

and

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_i[g_i,\gamma_i](ll') &= \Sigma_i g_i \gamma_i(ll') f, \omega] = [\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i lf \omega l') f, \omega] = \\ &= [\Sigma_i g_i(\gamma_i lf), \omega] l' = (\Sigma_i [g_i,\gamma_i] l) l'. \end{split}$$

Similarly, for  $U \in 0b\mathcal{G}(L)$ , we can define a right *R*-group [U, M] and show  $[U, M] \in 0b\mathcal{G}(R)$ .

The above defined  $\overline{f}$  is also an *L*-group homomorphism.

Similarly, an *L*-group homomorphism  $h: U_L \to V_L$  determines an *R*-group homomorphism  $\bar{h}: [U, M]_R \to [V, M]_R$  by  $\bar{h}(\Sigma_j[u_j, x_j]) := \Sigma_j[h(u_j), x_j]$ .

Let  $f_{\underline{1}}$  and  $f_{\underline{2}}$  be *R*-group maps  $f_1: A \to B, f_2: B \to C$ .

Let  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  be the L-group homomorphisms determined by  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ , respectively.

Then,  $f_2 \circ f_1 : A \to C$  determines an *L*-group homomorphism  $p : [A, \Gamma] \to [C, \Gamma]$ , where  $p = \overline{f_2} \circ \overline{f_1}$ . Indeed, for any  $\Sigma_i[a_i, \gamma_i] \in [A, \Gamma]$ , we have

$$p\left(\Sigma_i[a_i,\gamma_i]\right) = \Sigma_i[f_2 \circ f_1(a_i),\gamma_i] = \Sigma_i[f_2(f_1(a_i)),\gamma_i] =$$

$$= \overline{f}_2 \left( \Sigma_i [f_1(a_i), \gamma_i] \right) = \overline{f}_2 \circ \overline{f}_1 \left( \Sigma_i [a_i, \gamma_i] \right).$$

Clearly,  $1_A : A \to A$  determines  $1_{[A,\Gamma]} : [A,\Gamma] \to [A,\Gamma]$ . Thus, we have functors:

$$F: \mathcal{G}(R) \to \mathcal{G}(L) \text{ and } H: \mathcal{G}(L) \to \mathcal{G}(R),$$

where for  $A \in 0b\mathcal{G}(R)$ ,  $F(A) = [A, \Gamma]$  and for  $U \in 0b\mathcal{G}(L)$ , H(U) = [U, M],  $HF(A) = H([A, \Gamma]) = [[A, \Gamma], M]$  and  $FH(U) = F([U, M]) = [[U, M], \Gamma]$ .

Define  $\eta_A : A = AR = A[\Gamma, M] \rightarrow [[A, \Gamma], M]$  by  $a = \Sigma a_i r_i \rightarrow [\Sigma_i[a_i, r_i \delta], e]$ . Assume  $[\Sigma_i[a_i, r_i \delta], e] = 0$ . Then  $0 = ([\Sigma_i[a_i, r_i \delta]) e$ , by definition of  $[[A, \Gamma], M]$  and for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $0 = \Sigma_i[a_i(r_i \delta(e\gamma f)), \omega]$ , by definition of  $[A, \Gamma] \times L$ .

We get further:

 $0 = \sum_{i} [a_{i}(r_{i}\gamma f), \omega] , \text{ by Definition 1.1 } (v), (iii),$  $0 = \sum_{i} [a_{i}r_{i}(\gamma f), \omega] , \text{ since } M \text{ is a right } R\text{-group},$   $\begin{array}{ll} 0=\Sigma_i\left[a_ir_i,(\gamma f),\omega\right] &, \mbox{ since } \left[ar,\omega\right]=\left[a,r\overline{\omega}\right],\\ 0=\left[\Sigma_ia_ir_i,\gamma(f\omega)\right] &, \mbox{ by Definition } 1.1(iii),\\ 0=\left[\Sigma_ia_ir_i,\gamma\right] &, \mbox{ by using the fact that } f\omega \mbox{ is a strong unity of } \Gamma.\\ \mbox{Putting } \gamma{=}\delta,\mbox{ we obtain } \left[\Sigma_ia_ir_i,\delta\right]=0. \mbox{ Then, for any } x\in M, \Sigma_ia_i(r_i\delta x)=\\ 0,\mbox{and by taking } x=e,\Sigma_ia_i(r_i\delta e)=\Sigma_ia_ix_i=0.\\ \mbox{ Therefore, } \eta_A \mbox{ is an injection.} \end{array}$ 

For any  $b = \sum_j [\sum_i [a_{ij}, \gamma_{ij}], x_j] \in [[A, \Gamma], M]$ , there exists an element  $a = \sum_j (\sum_i a_{ij} (\gamma_{ij} x_j)) \in AR = A$ , such that  $\eta_A(a) = b$ .

Therefore,  $\eta_A$  is a bijection.

To see  $\eta_A$  is an *R*-group homomorphism, for any  $a = \sum_i a_i r_i$ ,  $b = \sum_i b_j s_j \in A$ ,  $r \in R$ , we verify the conditions:

$$\eta_A(a+b) = \left[\Sigma_i \left[a_i, r_i \delta\right] + \Sigma_i \left[b_j, s_j \delta\right], e\right] =$$

$$= \left[\Sigma\left[a_i, r_i\delta\right], e\right] + \left[\Sigma_j\left[b_j, s_j\delta\right], e\right] = \eta_A(a) + \eta_A(b).$$

$$\eta_A(ar) = [\Sigma_i [a_i, r_i \delta er], e] = [\Sigma_i [a_i, r_i \delta e] r \delta, e] = [\Sigma_i [a_i, r_i \delta], e] r = \eta_A(a)r.$$

For an *R*-group homomorphism  $f : A_R \to B_R$  and for  $a = \sum_i a_i r_i = \sum_i a_i (r_i \delta) e \in A$ , we have

$$HF(f)\eta_A(a) = HF(f)\eta_A\left(\Sigma_i a_i\left(r_i\delta\right)e\right) = HF(f)\Sigma_i\left[\left[a_i, r_i\delta\right], e\right] =$$
$$= \Sigma_i[F(f)(\left[a_i, r_i\delta\right], e\right]) = \Sigma_i[f(a_i), r_i\delta], e] = \eta_B f(a).$$

Therefore, we have the following commutative diagram:

Thus,  $HF = 1_{\mathcal{G}(R)}$ . Similarly, we obtain  $FH = 1_{\mathcal{G}(L)}$ .

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