

## Invo-clean rings associated with central polynomials

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**Abstract.** Let  $R$  be an associative ring with identity and let  $C(R)$  be the center of a ring  $R$  and let  $g(x)$  be a fixed polynomial in  $C(R)[x]$ . We defined  $R$  to be  $g(x)$ -invo clean if every element in  $R$  can be written as a sum of an involution and a root of  $g(x)$ . In this paper, we investigate conditions on a ring to be  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring. Some properties and several examples are given.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $R$  be an associative ring with identity. Following [6], we define an element  $r$  of a ring  $R$  to be clean if there is an idempotent  $e \in R$  and a unit  $u \in R$  such that  $r = u + e$ . A clean ring is defined to be one in which every element is clean. Clean rings were first introduced by Nicholson [6] as a class of exchange rings.

The invo-clean rings was introduced by Danchev [2]. He defined and completely described the structure of invo-clean rings having identity.

Camillo and Simon [1], defined  $g(x)$ -clean rings. An element  $r \in R$  is called  $g(x)$ -clean if  $r = s + u$  where  $g(s) = 0$  and  $u$  is a unit of  $R$  and  $R$  is a  $g(x)$ -clean ring if every element is  $g(x)$ -clean. The  $(x^2 - x)$ -clean rings are precisely the clean rings. In Fan and Yang [3], authors studied more properties of  $g(x)$ -clean rings. Among many conclusions, they proved that if  $g(x) \in (x-a)(x-b)C(R)[x]$ , where  $a, b \in C(R)$  with  $(b - a)$  unit in  $R$ , then  $R$  is a clean ring if and only if  $R$  is  $(x - a)(x - b)$ -clean. For the study of clean rings and their generalizations, we refer to [4], [5], [7].

In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring. A ring  $R$  is said to be  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring if any element in  $R$  can be written as a sum of

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involution and a root of  $g(x)$ . Clearly, invo-clean rings are  $(x^2 - x)$ -invo clean rings.

Throughout this paper, we assume that all rings are associative with identity and all modules are unitary. As usual,  $U(R)$  denotes the set of all units of  $R$ ,  $Inv(R)$  the subset of  $U(R)$  consisting of all involutions (i.e.;  $v \in Inv(R)$  then  $v^2 = 1$ ) of  $R$ ,  $Id(R)$  the set of all idempotents of  $R$  and  $Nil(R)$  the set of all nilpotents,  $C(R)$  denotes the center of  $R$  and  $g(x)$  be a fixed polynomial with coefficients in  $C(R)$ .

## 2. $g(x)$ -Invo clean rings

In this section, we define  $g(x)$  -invo clean rings, we give some properties of  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring and present several examples.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $g(x)$  be a fixed polynomial in  $C(R)[x]$ . An element  $r \in R$  is called  $g(x)$ -invo clean if  $r = v + s$  where  $g(s) = 0$  and  $v$  is an involution of  $R$  i.e.,  $v^2 = 1$ . We say that  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean if every element in  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.

Clearly, Every  $(x^2 - x)$ -invo clean ring is invo clean.

**Example 2.2.**  $\mathbb{Z}_7$  is  $(x^6 - 1)$ -invo clean ring which is not invo-clean ring.

**Example 2.3.** The ring  $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$  is  $(x^3 - x)$  -invo clean ring.

**Proposition 2.4.** Every  $g(x)$  -invo clean ring is  $g(x)$  -clean ring.

**Proof.** Suppose  $R$  is a  $g(x)$  -invo clean ring and let  $r \in R$ . Then  $r = v + s$  where  $v$  is involution and  $g(s) = 0$ . But every involution is unit. Thus,  $R$  is  $g(x)$  -clean ring.

The converse of Proposition 2.4 is not true in general. For example, we can see that  $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$  is  $(x^6 - 1)$  -clean ring which not  $(x^6 - 1)$ -invo clean, since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  cannot be written as a sum of involution and a root of  $(x^6 - 1)$ .  $\square$

Let  $R$  and  $S$  be rings and  $\Psi : C(R) \rightarrow C(S)$  be a ring epimorphism with  $\Psi(1_R) = 1_S$ . For  $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i \in C(R)[x]$ , we let  $g^*(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \Psi(a_i) x^i \in C(S)[x]$ . In particular, If  $g(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ , then  $g^*(x) = g(x)$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $\theta : R \rightarrow S$  be a ring epimorphism. If  $R$  is  $g(x)$  -invo clean, then  $S$  is  $g^*(x)$  -invo clean.

**Proof.** Let  $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i \in C(R)[x]$  and consider  $g^*(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \theta(a_i) x^i \in C(S)[x]$ . For every  $\beta \in S$ , there exist  $r \in R$  such that  $\theta(r) = \beta$ . Since  $R$  is  $g(x)$  -invo clean, there exists  $s \in R$  and  $v \in Inv(R)$  such that  $r = v + s$  and  $g(s) = 0$ . Then  $\beta = \theta(r) = \theta(v + s) = \theta(v) + \theta(s)$  with  $\theta(v) \in Inv(S)$ , and  $g^*(\theta(s)) = \sum_{i=0}^n \theta(a_i) (\theta(s))^i = \sum_{i=0}^n \theta(a_i) \theta(s^i) = \sum_{i=0}^n \theta(a_i s^i) = \theta(\sum_{i=0}^n a_i s^i) = \theta(g(s)) = \theta(0) = 0$ . Therefore,  $S$  is  $g^*(x)$  -invo clean.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.6.** *Let  $R$  be an  $g(x)$ -nil clean with  $n^2 = -2n$  for every  $n \in Nil(R)$ . Then  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.*

**Proof.** Suppose  $R$  is a  $g(x)$ -nil clean and let  $r \in R$ . Then  $r - 1 = n + s$  where  $n \in Nil(R)$  and  $g(s) = 0$ . Thus  $r = (1 + n) + s$ . Indeed  $1 + n$  is an involution. Therefore  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.7.** *If  $R$  an  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring and  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $R = R/I$  is  $g^*(x)$ -invo clean.*

**Proof.** Let  $R$  be an  $g(x)$ -invo clean ring and  $\theta : R \rightarrow R/I$  defined by  $\theta(r) = r + I$ . Then  $\theta$  is an epimorphism. By Proposition 2.5  $R/I$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.8.** *Let  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k$  be rings and  $g(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ . Then  $R = \prod_{i=1}^k R_i$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean if and only if  $R_i$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ .*

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$ ) : For each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ ,  $R_i$  is a homomorphic image of  $\prod_{i=1}^k R_i$  under the projection homomorphism. Hence,  $R_i$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean by Proposition 2.5.

$\Leftarrow$ ) : Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \in \prod_{i=1}^k R_i$ . For each  $i$ , write  $x_i = v_i + s_i$  where  $v_i \in Inv(R_i)$ ,  $g(s_i) = 0$ . Let  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k)$  and  $s = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k)$ . Then, it is clear that  $v \in Inv(R)$  and  $g(s) = 0$ . Therefore,  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $R[t]$  be the rings of polynomial in an indeterminate  $t$  with coefficients in  $R$  and let  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_nt^n \in R[t]$ . If  $f(t)$  is an involution then  $a_0$  is an involution in  $R$  and  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are nilpotents.*

**Proof.** Assume  $f(t)$  is a unit then  $a_0$  is a unit in  $R$  and  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are nilpotents. Since  $Inv(R) \subseteq U(R)$ , the statement holds.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.10.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring, then the ring of polynomials  $R[t]$  is not invo clean (not  $(x^2 - x)$ -invo clean).*

**Proof.** Let  $t$  be an invo clean, then we may write  $t = a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_nt^n + e$  where  $e \in Id(R[t]) = Id(R)$  and  $a_0 \in Inv(R), a_1, \dots, a_n \in Nil(R)$ . Hence,  $1 = a_1 \in J(R)$ . Which a contradiction. Hence,  $R[t]$  is not invo-clean.  $\square$

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $M$  an  $R$ -module. The idealization  $R(M)$  of  $R$  and  $M$  is the ring  $R(M) = R \oplus M$  with multiplication  $(r_1, m_1)(r_2, m_2) = (r_1r_2, r_1m_2 + r_2m_1)$ . Note that if  $(r, m) \in R(M)$ , then  $(r, m)^k = (r^k, kr^{k-1}m)$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with  $char(R) = 2$  and  $M$  an  $R$ -module. Then  $(v, m)$  is an involution in  $R(M)$  if and only if  $v$  is involution in  $R$ .*

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$  : Let  $(v, m) \in R(M)$  then  $(v, m)^2 = (v^2, 2vm) = (1, 0)$ . So,  $v^2 = 1$ . Thus,  $v$  is involution.

$\Leftarrow$  : Let  $v$  be an involution, and  $(v, m) \in R(M)$ . Then  $(v, m)^2 = (1, 0)$ . Hence,  $(v, m)$  is an involution of  $R(M)$ .  $\square$

We recall that  $R$  logically embeds into  $R(M)$  via  $r \rightarrow (r, 0)$ . Therefore any polynomial  $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i \in R[x]$  can be written as  $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n (a_i, 0) x^i \in R(M)[x]$  and conversely.

**Proposition 2.12.** *Suppose  $R$  is a commutative ring with  $\text{Char}(R) = 2$  and  $M$  an  $R$ -module. So the idealization  $R(M)$  of  $R$  and  $M$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean if and only if  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.*

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$  : Since  $R \simeq R(M)/(0 \oplus M)$  is a homomorphic image of  $R(M)$ . Hence  $R$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean by Proposition 2.5.

$\Leftarrow$  : Let  $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i \in R[x]$  and  $r \in R$ . Write  $r = v + s$  where  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $g(s) = 0$ . Then for  $m \in M$ ,  $(r, m) = (v, m) + (s, 0)$  where  $(v, m) \in \text{Inv}(R(M))$  and

$$\begin{aligned} g(s, 0) &= a_0(1, 0) + a_1(s, 0) + a_2(s, 0)^2 + \dots + a_n(s, 0)^n \\ &= a_0(1, 0) + a_1(s, 0) + a_2(s^2, 0) + \dots + a_n(s^n, 0) \end{aligned}$$

$= (a_0 + a_1s + a_2s^2 + \dots + a_ns^n, 0) = (g(s), 0) = (0, 0)$ . Therefore,  $R(M)$  is  $g(x)$ -invo clean.  $\square$

### 3. $(x^2 + cx + d)$ -invo clean rings

We consider some types of  $(x^2 + cx + d)$ -invo clean rings.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $a, b \in C(R)$  and  $g(x) \in (x - a)(x - b)$  where  $b - a \in \text{Inv}(R)$ . Then  $R$  is invo-clean if and only if  $R$  is  $(x - a)(x - b)$ -invo clean.*

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$  : Since  $R$  is invo-clean and  $r \in R$  then  $\frac{r-a}{b-a} = v + e$  where  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $e \in \text{Id}(R)$  then  $r = v(b - a) + e(b - a) + a$ ,  $b - a \in C(R)$  and  $C(R)$  is a subring of  $R$ . Since  $(e(b - a) + a - a)(e(b - a) + a - b) = (eb - ea)(eb - ea + a - b) =$

$e^2b^2 - e^2ba + eab - eb^2 - e^2ab + e^2a^2 - e^2a^2 - ea^2 + eab = 0$ , it follows  $e(b - a) + a$  is root of  $(x - a)(x - b)$ . Since  $v(b - a) \in \text{Inv}(R)$  by  $(v(b - a))^2 = v(b - a)v(b - a) = v^2(b - a)^2 = 1.1 = 1$ , it follow that  $v(b - a) \in \text{Inv}(R)$ . Then  $R$  is  $(x - a)(x - b)$ -invo clean.

$\Leftarrow$  : Let  $r \in R$ . Since  $R$  is  $(x - a)(x - b)$ -invo clean,  $r(b - a) + a = v + e$  where  $e$  is root of  $(x - a)(x - b)$  and  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$ . Thus,  $r = \frac{e-a}{b-a} + \frac{v}{b-a}$ . Clearly,  $\frac{v}{b-a} \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $\frac{e-a}{b-a}$  is an idempotent since  $\left(\frac{e-a}{b-a}\right)^2 = \frac{e-a}{b-a}$ . Hence  $R$  is invo-clean.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $R$  be a ring. Then  $R$  is invo-clean if and only if  $R$  is  $(x^2 + x)$ -invo clean.*

**Proof.** In the previous Theorem 3.1 but  $a = 0$  and  $b = -1$ . □

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $R$  be a ring with  $2 \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $R$  is invo clean
- (2)  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2x)$ -invo clean
- (3)  $R$  is  $(x^2 + 2x)$ -invo clean
- (4)  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2^{2k}x)$ -invo clean
- (5)  $R$  is  $(x^2 + 2^{2k}x)$ -invo clean
- (6)  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 1)$ -invo clean
- (7)  $R$  is For every  $r \in R$ ,  $r$  can be expressed as  $r = v + s$  with  $v, s \in \text{Inv}(R)$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Since  $R$  is invo clean and  $r \in R$ ,  $\frac{r}{2} = v + s$  with  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $s^2 = s$ , then  $r = 2v + 2s$  with  $2v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $(2s)^2 - 2(2s) = 4s^2 - 4s = 0$ . Hence,  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2x)$ -invo clean.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Since  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2x)$ -invo clean,  $2r = v + s$  where  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $s$  is a root of  $(x^2 - 2x)$ . Then,  $r = \frac{v}{2} + \frac{s}{2}$ , where  $\frac{v}{2}$  is an invo of  $R$  and  $(\frac{s}{2})^2 = \frac{(s)(s-2+2)}{(2)^2} = \frac{s \cdot 2}{(2)^2} = \frac{s}{2}$ . So,  $R$  is invo clean. Correspondingly, we may prove (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2x)$ -invo clean and let  $r \in R$ ,  $-r = v + s$  such that  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $s^2 - 2s = 0$ . Then,  $r = (-v) + (-s)$  with  $-v \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $(-s)^2 + 2(-s) = s^2 - 2s = 0$ . Thus,  $R$  is  $(x^2 + 2x)$ -invo clean.

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) By Theorem 3.1, let  $a = 0$  and  $b = 2^{2k}$ , Then,  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 2^{2k}x)$ -invo clean.

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5) Can be proved by (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) and (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) Since  $R$  is invo clean and  $r \in R$  then  $r = v + s$  where  $v, s \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $s^2 = s$ . Then  $s$  is a root of  $x^2 - 1$  by (7). Then  $(x^2 - 1)$ -invo clean.

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) Let  $r \in R$  we write  $r = v + s$  with  $v, s \in \text{Inv}(R)$  and  $s^2 = 1$ , then  $s$  is a root of  $x^2 - 1$  and  $v \in \text{Inv}(R)$ . Then,  $(x^2 - 1)$  is invo clean ring.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) If  $R$  is  $(x^2 - 1)$ -invo clean, then for every  $r \in R$  there exist  $v, s \in \text{Inv}(R)$  such that  $r = v + s$ . □

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