

Rhatrix polynomials and polynomial rhotrices

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Abstract: In this piece of note, polynomials defined over the ring R of rhotrices of $n - dimension$ and rhotrices defined over polynomials in \mathfrak{R} were explored, the aim is to study their nature and present their properties. The hope is that these polynomials (or these rhotrices) will have wider applications than those polynomials defined over the non-commutative ring of $n - square$ matrices (or those matrices defined over polynomials) since R is a commutative ring. The shortcomings of these polynomials and rhotrices were also confirmed as it was proved that the rings $R[x]$ and $R[f]$ are not integral domains.

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1. Introduction

In mathematical modeling, real life problems are modeled into polynomial equations from where the coefficient matrices are normally formed and used. The study and analysis of the solutions of these polynomials are used to solve these problems. There is no doubt, exploring polynomials enhances substantive application of Mathematics. The purpose of this note is to define polynomials over a relatively new structure termed rhatrix introduced a decade ago and to define rhotrices over polynomials defined in \mathfrak{R} . These polynomials (or rhotrices) are expected to have more areas of application than the polynomials defined over the non-commutative ring of $n - square$ matrices (or matrices defined over polynomials) since the ring R of all rhotrices of $n - dimension$ is a commutative ring.

The first work on rhotrices was presented in [1], objects in the set

$$R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b & c & d \\ e \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c, d, e \in \mathfrak{R} \right\}$$

were defined as rhotrices, as a result of their rhomboid nature. The central entry denoted by $h(R)$, was defined as heart (that is c in the above definition). The addition of two rhotrices R and Q was defined as

$$R + Q = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b & h(R) & d \\ e \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} f \\ g & h(Q) & j \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a + f \\ b + g & h(R) + h(Q) & d + j \\ e + k \end{pmatrix}$$

and $-A$ was given as the additive inverse of the rhatrix A , for the fact that

$$A + (-A) = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b & h(R) & d \\ e \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -a & & \\ -b & -h(R) & \\ & -e & -d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

the additive identity of R . It was shown that $\{R, +\} \cup \{0\}$ where $0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is a commutative group. Scalar multiplication was defined as follows:

$$\alpha R = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b & h(R) & d \\ e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha a \\ \alpha b & \alpha h(R) & \alpha d \\ \alpha e \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiplication of two Rhotrices R and Q is done as follows:

$$R \cdot Q = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b & h(R) & d \\ e \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f \\ g & h(Q) & j \\ k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ah(Q)+fh(R) \\ bh(Q)+gh(R) & h(R)h(Q) & dh(Q)+jh(R) \\ eh(Q)+kh(R) \end{pmatrix}$$

It was proved that the set R is a commutative algebra.

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

