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## GRASSMANN ALGEBRA'S PI-PROPERTIES IN MATRIX ALGEBRAS WITH GRASSMANN ENTRIES

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**Abstract:** *In the paper we consider some matrix algebras with Grassmann entries and investigate the "inheritance" by these algebras of some PI-properties of the Grassmann algebra. These properties include the Grassmann identity  $[x, y, z] = 0$  and the nilpotency of the double commutator. The zero traces of some matrix expressions lead to new polynomial identities for special classes of matrix algebras with Grassmann entries.*

**Keywords:** *Grassmann algebra, Grassmann identity, nilpotent commutator*

### PRELIMINARIES

In the paper we work with the infinite dimensional Grassmann algebra  $E$  defined as

$$E = E(V) = K\langle e_1, e_2, \dots \mid e_i e_j + e_j e_i = 0, i, j = 1, 2, \dots \rangle.$$

The field  $K$  has characteristic zero.

The algebra  $E$  is in the mainstream of recent research in PI-theory. Its importance is connected with the structure theory for the  $T$ -ideals of identities of associative algebras developed by Kemer [5]. Other examples concerning important applications of  $E$  could be found in [7].

The importance of considering matrix algebras  $M_n(E)$  is confirmed by the following statement as the trivial isomorphism  $E \otimes M_n(K) \cong M_n(E)$  holds:

**Proposition 1** [4, Corollary 8.2.4, p. 111] *For every PI-algebra  $R$  there exists a positive  $n$  such that  $T(R) \supseteq T(M_n(E))$ , i.e.  $R$  satisfies all polynomial identities of the  $n \times n$  matrix algebra  $M_n(E)$  with entries from the Grassmann algebra.*

We list some well known facts concerning both the algebras  $E$  and  $M_n(E)$  using [6, 2, 1].

**Proposition 2** [6, Corollary, p. 437] *The  $T$ -ideal  $T(E)$  is generated by the identity  $[x_1, x_2, x_3] = 0$ .*

**Proposition 3** [2, Lemma 5.1] *The  $T$ -ideal  $T(E)$  contains the identities*

$$[x_1, x_2][x_3, x_4] + [x_1, x_3][x_2, x_4] = 0 \text{ and } [x_1, x_2][x_2, x_3] = 0.$$

**Proposition 4** [1, Lemma 6.1] *The algebra  $E$  satisfies  $S_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)^k = 0$  for all  $n, k \geq 2$  and*

$$S_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Sym}(n)} (-1)^\sigma x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(n)}$$

being the standard identity.

**Proposition 5** [1, Corollary 6.6] *The algebra  $M_n(E)$  does not satisfy the identity  $S_m(x_1, \dots, x_m)^n = 0$  for any  $m$ .*

More facts concerning the PI-structure of  $E$  and  $M_n(E)$  could be found in [4].

**IDENTITIES FOR SOME SUBALGEBRAS OF  $M_n(E)$** 

As Proposition 5 states the algebra  $M_2(E)$  does not satisfy  $S_n^2$  for any  $n$  i.e.  $M_2(E)$  does not satisfy  $[X, Y]^2 = 0$ . Even there are such  $X$  and  $Y$  for which the commutator  $[X, Y]$  is not nilpotent at all. Considering however some subalgebras of  $M_2(E)$  (and of  $M_n(E)$  for any  $n$ ) we prove that  $[X, Y]^k = 0$  for some  $k$ , where  $X$  and  $Y$  are elements of these subalgebras.

**Proposition 6** *There are elements  $X$  and  $Y$  from  $M_2(E)$  for which  $[X, Y]$  is not nilpotent.*

**Proof:** As an example we could take  $X$  and  $Y$  even from  $M_2(K)$ , namely

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for which} \quad [X, Y] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

$$[X, Y]^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Thus } [X, Y]^{2n-1} = (-1)^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } [X, Y]^{2n} = (-1)^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The tensor product of  $E$  with commutative subalgebras of  $M_2(K)$  inherits the identities of  $E$ . Here we give some concrete examples:

**Proposition 7** *The algebra  $SA1(E) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  satisfies the Grassmann identity*

$[X, Y, Z] = 0$  and the identity  $[X, Y]^2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** Let  $X, Y, Z \in SA1(E)$  be with entries  $\alpha_i, \beta_i, i = 1, 2, 3$ , respectively. Then

$$[X, Y] = \begin{pmatrix} [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] + [\beta_1, \beta_2] & [\alpha_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_2, \beta_1] \\ [\alpha_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_2, \beta_1] & [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] + [\beta_1, \beta_2] \end{pmatrix}.$$

Forming  $[X, Y]^2$  and applying Proposition 3 (namely that  $[x_1, x_2]^2 = 0$ ) we get that

$$[X, Y]^2 = 2 \begin{pmatrix} [\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_1, \beta_2][\alpha_2, \beta_1] & 0 \\ 0 & [\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_1, \beta_2][\alpha_2, \beta_1] \end{pmatrix}.$$

The identity  $[x_1, x_2][x_3, x_4] + [x_1, x_3][x_2, x_4] = 0$  from Proposition 3 gives that  $[\alpha_1, \beta_2][\alpha_2, \beta_1] = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2]$  and thus  $[X, Y]^2 = 0$ .

For the triple commutator  $[X, Y, Z] = [a_{ij}]$  we get

$$a_{11} = a_{22} = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3] + [\beta_1, \beta_2, \alpha_3] + [\alpha_1, \beta_2, \beta_3] - [\alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_3],$$

$$a_{12} = a_{21} = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_3] + [\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3] - [\alpha_3, [\alpha_1, \beta_2]] + [\alpha_3, [\alpha_2, \beta_1]].$$

Thus Proposition 2 gives that  $[X, Y, Z] = 0$ .

**Proposition 8** The algebra  $SA2(E) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  satisfies the Grassmann identity

$[X, Y, Z] = 0$  and the identity  $[X, Y]^2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** In this case  $[X, Y] = \begin{pmatrix} [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] - [\beta_1, \beta_2] & [\alpha_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_2, \beta_1] \\ -[\alpha_1, \beta_2] + [\alpha_2, \beta_1] & [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] - [\beta_1, \beta_2] \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$[X, Y]^2 = -2 \begin{pmatrix} [\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_1, \beta_2][\alpha_2, \beta_1] & 0 \\ 0 & [\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2] - [\alpha_1, \beta_2][\alpha_2, \beta_1] \end{pmatrix}.$$

We could generalize the above two propositions for  $n \times n$  matrices, namely

**Proposition 9** Any of the  $n \times n$  matrix algebras  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_i & 0 & \dots & 0 & \beta_i \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \beta_i & 0 & \dots & 0 & \alpha_i \end{pmatrix} \right\},$

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \dots & \dots & \dots & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha & \beta & \dots & \dots & \beta \\ \beta & \beta & \alpha & \beta & \dots & \beta \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \beta & \dots & \dots & \dots & \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_i & 0 & \dots & 0 & \beta_i \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -\beta_i & 0 & \dots & 0 & \alpha_i \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \dots & \dots & \dots & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha & \beta & \dots & \dots & \beta \\ -\beta & -\beta & \alpha & \beta & \dots & \beta \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -\beta & \dots & \dots & \dots & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ satisfies the Grassmann identity } [X, Y, Z] = 0 \text{ and the}$$

identity  $[X, Y]^2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** We sketch the proof only for the second listed algebra. In this case for  $[X, Y] = [a_{ij}]$  we have

$$a_{ii} = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] + (n-1)[\beta_1, \beta_2],$$

$$a_{ij} = [\alpha_1, \beta_2] + [\beta_1, \alpha_2] + (n-2)[\beta_1, \beta_2].$$

For  $[X, Y]^2 = [b_{ij}]$  we get

$$b_{ii} = 2(n-1)([\alpha_1, \alpha_2][\beta_1, \beta_2] + [\alpha_1, \beta_2][\beta_1, \alpha_2]),$$

$$b_{ij} = 0.$$

**Proposition 10** The algebra  $SA3(E) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \beta \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  satisfies the identities

$[X, Y]^2 Z = 0$  and  $[X, Y, Z]U = 0$  for any elements  $X, Y, Z, U$  of  $SA3(E)$ .

**Proof:** In this case  $[X, Y] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha & [\beta, \beta_1] \end{pmatrix}$  and applying Proposition 3 we

get that  $[X, Y]^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)[\beta, \beta_1] & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $[X, Y, Z] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_2 - \beta_2(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

This proposition is valid as well for  $n \times n$  matrices of the considered type.

Some tensor products of  $E$  with noncommutative subalgebras of  $M_2(K)$  satisfy identities "similar" to some of the identities of  $E$  i.e these are degrees of the identities of  $E$ .

We give an example here.

**Proposition 11** *The algebra  $SA4(E) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & \beta \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  has nilpotent double commutators with index of nilpotency  $\leq 4$ .*

**Proof:** For  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & \beta \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}$  we form

$$[A, B] = \begin{pmatrix} [\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta & [\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta \\ [\beta, \beta_1] + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha & [\beta, \beta_1] + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we evaluate the entries of the matrix  $[A, B]^2 = [a_{ij}]$ :

$$a_{11} = 2[\alpha, \alpha_1](\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)^2 + [\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1](\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)[\beta, \beta_1] + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha).$$

Grouping the first and the forth summand, the second and the sixth one, we get consequently, using the properties of  $E$ :

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11} &= [\alpha, \alpha_1](2\alpha\beta_1 - 2\alpha_1\beta + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\ &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\ &+ [\beta, \beta_1]([\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\ &= [\alpha, \alpha_1](\alpha\beta_1 + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1] - \alpha_1\beta) \\ &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\ &+ [\beta, \beta_1]([\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\ &= [\alpha, \alpha_1](\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\ &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\ &+ [\beta, \beta_1]([\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\ &= [\beta, \beta_1][\alpha, \alpha_1] + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)([\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]). \end{aligned}$$

With similar transformations we come to

$$\begin{aligned} a_{21} &= [\beta, \beta_1][\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1](\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) + (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)[\alpha, \alpha_1] \\ &+ (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) + [\beta, \beta_1](\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\ &+ (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)[\beta, \beta_1] + (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= [\beta, \beta_1][\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1]([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\
 &+ (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)([\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1]) \\
 &+ (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\
 &= [\beta, \beta_1][\alpha, \alpha_1] + (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)([\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]).
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $[A, B]^3 = [b_{ij}]$  we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{11} &= b_{12} = 2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1](\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\
 &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)^2([\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\
 &+ 2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1](\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\
 &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)([\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\
 &= 2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1]([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\
 &+ (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])([\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]) \\
 &= 2(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)[\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

Analogously  $b_{21} = b_{22} = 2(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)[\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1]$ .

Now it is easy to see, applying Proposition 3, that  $[A, B]^4 = [c_{ij}] = 0$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{11} &= c_{12} = 2(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])[ \alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1]; \\
 c_{21} &= c_{22} = 2(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])[ \alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

It is interesting to define the traces of the commutator and of its nonzero degrees, namely

$$\begin{aligned}
 Tr[X, Y] &= [\alpha, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1] = [\alpha + \beta, \alpha_1 + \beta_1]; \\
 Tr[X, Y]^2 &= 2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + ([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])[ \alpha + \beta, \alpha_1 + \beta_1] \\
 &= 2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1][\alpha, \beta_1] \\
 &= 2([\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1]) = 0; \\
 Tr[X, Y]^3 &= 2([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])[ \alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1] = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 12** The algebra  $SA4(E) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & \beta \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  satisfies the identity

$$[X, Y, Z]^2 = 0.$$

**Proof:** Considering the matrix  $Z$  with entries  $\alpha_2, \beta_2$  accordingly and the notations from Proposition 11, we form the elements of the matrix  $[X, Y, Z] = [a_{ij}]$ , namely

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11} &= a_{12} = [\alpha, \alpha_1, \alpha_2] + [\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta, \alpha_2] \\
 &+ ([\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)\beta_2 - \alpha_2([\beta, \beta_1] + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\
 &= \alpha_2[\alpha_1, \beta] - \alpha_2[\alpha, \beta_1] + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(\alpha_2 + \beta_2) + [\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - \alpha_2[\beta, \beta_1] \\
 &= \alpha_2[\alpha_1, \beta] + [\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - \alpha_2[\alpha + \beta, \beta_1] + (\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(\alpha_2 + \beta_2);
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{21} &= a_{22} = [[\beta, \beta_1] + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha, \beta_2] \\
 &+ ([\beta, \beta_1] + \beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)\alpha_2 - \beta_2([\alpha, \alpha_1] + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\
 &= (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)(\alpha_2 + \beta_2) + \beta_2[\beta_1, \alpha] - \beta_2[\beta, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 - \beta_2[\alpha, \alpha_1] \\
 &= (\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)(\alpha_2 + \beta_2) + [\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 + \beta_2[\beta_1, \alpha] - \beta_2[\alpha + \beta, \alpha_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

We show that  $a_{11} + a_{22} = 0$ , i.e.  $Tr[X, Y, Z] = 0$ . Really

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11} + a_{22} &= (\alpha_2 + \beta_2)(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha + \alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\
 &+ [\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 + \beta_2[\beta_1, \alpha] - \beta_2[\alpha + \beta, \alpha_1] + \alpha_2[\alpha_1, \beta] + [\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - \alpha_2[\alpha + \beta, \beta_1] \\
 &= (\alpha_2 + \beta_2)([\beta, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1]) + [\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 + \beta_2[\beta_1, \alpha] - \beta_2[\alpha + \beta, \alpha_1] \\
 &+ \alpha_2[\alpha_1, \beta] + [\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - \alpha_2[\alpha + \beta, \beta_1] \\
 &= \alpha_2[\alpha, \beta_1] + \beta_2[\beta, \alpha_1] + [\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 - \beta_2[\alpha, \alpha_1] \\
 &- \beta_2[\beta, \alpha_1] + [\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - \alpha_2[\alpha, \beta_1] - \alpha_2[\beta, \beta_1] = [\alpha, \alpha_1, \beta_2] + [\beta, \beta_1, \alpha_2] = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The elements of  $[X, Y, Z]^2 = [b_{ij}]$  are  $b_{11} = b_{12} = a_{11}(a_{11} + a_{22})$  and  $b_{21} = b_{22} = a_{22}(a_{11} + a_{22})$ . Thus we get that  $[X, Y, Z]^2 = 0$ .

We come to the following

**Corollary 1** The algebra  $SA4(E)$  satisfies the identities  $X[Y, Z, U] = 0$  and  $X[Y, Z]^2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** For  $A, B \in SA4(E)$  and  $TrA = 0$  the identity  $BA = 0$  holds.

It is easy to see that the last two propositions and Corollary 1 could be naturally generalized for  $n \times n$  matrices.

**Corollary 2** Let consider the algebra  $SA5(E)$  of the  $n \times n$  matrices having  $k$  rows with entries all equal to  $\alpha$  and  $n - k$  rows with entries all equal to  $\beta$ . Then  $Tr[X, Y]^2 = 0$  and  $Tr[X, Y, Z] = 0$  for  $X, Y, Z \in SA5(E)$ .

**Proof:** We consider the first  $k$  rows with entries all equal to  $\alpha$ . Using the notations of Proposition 11 we get that the two different entries  $a_{11} = \dots = a_{kn}$  and  $a_{k+1,1} = \dots = a_{nn}$  of the matrix  $[A, B]$  are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11} &= k[\alpha, \alpha_1] + (n - k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\
 a_{nn} &= (n - k)[\beta, \beta_1] + k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

For the two different entries  $b_{11} = \dots = b_{kn}$  and  $b_{k+1,1} = \dots = b_{nn}$  of the matrix  $[A, B]^2$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{11} &= a_{11}(ka_{11} + (n - k)a_{nn}) = a_{11}a \\
 b_{nn} &= a_{nn}(ka_{11} + (n - k)a_{nn}) = a_{nn}a
 \end{aligned}$$

For the expression  $a$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= k^2[\alpha, \alpha_1] + k(n - k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) \\
 &+ (n - k)^2[\beta, \beta_1] + (n - k)k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha) \\
 &= k^2[\alpha, \alpha_1] + (n - k)^2[\beta, \beta_1] + k(n - k)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1]).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the properties of the algebra  $E$  for the trace of the matrix  $[A, B]^2$  we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Tr}[A, B]^2 &= kb_{11} + (n-k)b_{nn} = k(k(n-k)^2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1]) + (n-k)k(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)a \\
 &+ (n-k)((n-k)k^2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1]) + (n-k)k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)a \\
 &= 2k^2(n-k)^2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + k(n-k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)a + (n-k)k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)a \\
 &= 2k^2(n-k)^2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + k(n-k)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])a \\
 &= 2k^2(n-k)^2[\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + k^2(n-k)^2[\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1] + k^2(n-k)^2[\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1] \\
 &= 2k^2(n-k)^2([\alpha, \alpha_1][\beta, \beta_1] + [\alpha, \beta_1][\beta, \alpha_1]) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider the matrix  $[A, B, C] = [c_{ij}]$  having only two different entries  $c_{11} = \dots = c_{kn}$  and  $c_{k+1,1} = \dots = c_{mn}$ . We do the following transformations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{11} &= k(k[\alpha, \alpha_1, \alpha_2] + (n-k)[\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta, \alpha_2]) \\
 &+ (n-k)\{(k[\alpha, \alpha_1] + (n-k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta))\beta_2 - \alpha_2((n-k)[\beta, \beta_1] + k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha))\} \\
 &= k(n-k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)\alpha_2 - k(n-k)\alpha_2(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta) + k(n-k)[\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 \\
 &+ (n-k)^2(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)\beta_2 - (n-k)^2\alpha_2[\beta, \beta_1] - k(n-k)\alpha_2(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{11} &= k(n-k)\alpha_2([\alpha_1, \beta] - [\alpha, \beta_1]) + (n-k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta)(k\alpha_2 + (n-k)\beta_2) \\
 &+ k(n-k)[\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - (n-k)^2\alpha_2[\beta, \beta_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

Analogously for  $c_{mn}$  we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{mn} &= (n-k)\{(n-k)[\beta, \beta_1, \beta_2] + k[\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha, \beta_2]\} \\
 &+ u\{((n-k)[\beta, \beta_1] + k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha))\alpha_2 - \beta_2(k[\alpha, \alpha_1] + (n-k)(\alpha\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta))\} \\
 &= k(n-k)\beta_2([\alpha_1, \beta] - [\alpha, \beta_1]) + k(\beta\alpha_1 - \beta_1\alpha)(k\alpha_2 + (n-k)\beta_2) \\
 &+ k(n-k)[\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 - k^2\beta_2[\alpha, \alpha_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $\text{Tr}[A, B, C] = kc_{11} + (n-k)c_{mn}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Tr}[A, B, C] &= k(n-k)([\alpha_1, \beta] + [\beta_1, \alpha])(k\alpha_2 + (n-k)\beta_2) \\
 &+ k(n-k)([\alpha, \beta_1] + [\beta, \alpha_1])(k\alpha_2 + (n-k)\beta_2) \\
 &+ k(n-k)(k[\alpha, \alpha_1]\beta_2 - (n-k)\alpha_2[\beta, \beta_1] + (n-k)[\beta, \beta_1]\alpha_2 - k\beta_2[\alpha, \alpha_1]) \\
 &= k(n-k)(k[\alpha, \alpha_1, \beta_2] + (n-k)[\beta, \beta_1, \alpha_2]) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3** Let us consider the algebra  $SA6(E)$  of  $2n \times 2n$  matrices having  $n$  rows with entries all equal to  $\alpha$  and  $n$  rows with entries all equal to  $\beta$ . The following identities hold:  $X[Y, Z, U] = 0$  and  $X[Y, Z]^2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** In this case the matrices  $[X, Y, Z]$  and  $[Y, Z]^2$  have columns whose entries could be paired in a way  $(1, -1)$  and multiplying on the left with any matrix from  $SA6(E)$  we get the zero matrix.

**REMARK**

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**PI – СВОЙСТВА НА ГРАСМАНОВАТА АЛГЕБРА В МАТРИЧНИ  
АЛГЕБРИ С ГРАСМАНОВИ ЕЛЕМЕНТИ**

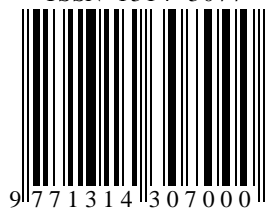
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**Резюме:** В статията се разглеждат матрични алгебри с грасманови елементи и се изучава "наследяването" от тези алгебри на някои PI-свойства на Грасмановата алгебра. Тези свойства включват Грасмановото твърдение  $[x, y, z] = 0$  и nilпотентността на двойния комутатор. Нулевата среда на някои матрични изрази води до нови полиноми твърдения за специални класове матрични алгебри с Грасманови елементи.

**Ключови думи:** Грасманова алгебра, Грасманово твърдение, nilпотентен комутатор.

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