

## MATRIX MAPS OVER SEMINEARRINGS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce the notion of a matrix seminearring (abbr.  $M_n(S)$ ) over an arbitrary seminearring  $S$ . A (right) seminearring is a generalization of a semiring and a nearring, wherein  $(S, +)$  and  $(S, \cdot)$  are semigroups; with only one distributive law is assumed. We prove various properties of matrix maps over a seminearring and obtain a one-one correspondence between the ideals of a seminearring and that of full ideals of matrix seminearring. Furthermore, we introduce prime ideal in matrix seminearring and prove that the ideal  $P^*$ , induced by a prime ideal  $P$  in  $S$  is prime in  $M_n(S)$ .

### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Nearrings are generalized rings where the addition need not be abelian and only one distributive property is assumed. Rings can be viewed as algebraic systems of ‘linear’ functions on groups, while nearrings describe the general non-linear case [3, 9]. Matrix nearrings over arbitrary nearrings were introduced by Meldrum & Van der Walt [10], wherein the correspondence between the two-sided ideals in nearring  $N$  and those of matrix nearring  $M_n(N)$  were obtained. Some developments in matrix nearrings over arbitrary nearrings were due to Meyer [11], Booth, and Groenewald [2]. Juglal et.al (see, [6]) studied different prime  $N$ -ideals and prime relations between generalized matrix nearring and multiplication modules over a nearring. Furthermore, Juglal and Groenewald [7] studied the class of strongly prime nearring modules and shown that it forms a  $\tau$ -special class. For more literature on matrix nearrings, we refer to [5, 4, 12, 13, 15, 14].

We introduce the notion of matrix seminearring  $M_n(S)$  over a seminearring  $S$  with 1. We prove various properties of matrix maps over a seminearring and obtain a one-one correspondence between the ideals of a seminearring and that of a matrix seminearring. Furthermore, we introduce prime ideal in matrix seminearring and prove that the ideal  $P^*$ , induced by a prime ideal  $P$  in  $S$  is prime in  $M_n(S)$ .

**Definition 1.1.** [8] A set  $S$  together with two binary operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  is called a (right) seminearring if

- (1)  $(S, +)$  and  $(S, \cdot)$  are semigroups;
- (2)  $(p + q)r = pr + qr$ , for every  $p, q, r \in S$ ;
- (3) There exists  $0 \in S$  such that  $0 + s = s + 0 = s$  for every  $s \in S$ .

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(4)  $0 \cdot s = 0$  for every  $s \in S$ .

Moreover, a right seminearring is said to be zero-symmetric if  $p0 = 0$  for all  $p \in S$ .

**Example 1.2.** Let  $(S, +)$  be a semigroup. Then the set of maps from  $S$  to  $S$  with respect to usual addition and substitution of maps becomes a seminearring (we denote it by  $(M(S), +, \circ)$ ), which is not a nearring.

**Definition 1.3.** [1] A subset  $I$  of a seminearring  $S$  is called a right (left)  $s$ -ideal if

- (1)  $p + q \in I$ , and
- (2)  $rp (pr) \in I$ ,

for all  $p, q \in I$  and  $r \in S$ .

**Definition 1.4.** A subset  $I$  of a seminearring  $S$  is called a right (left) invariant if  $IS \subseteq I$  ( $SI \subseteq I$ ).

Throughout,  $S$  denote a right seminearring having an absorbing zero.

Analogous to the notion given in [3], for any  $u \in S$ , the ideal generated by  $u$  is denoted by  $\langle u \rangle$  and defined as,  $\langle u \rangle = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} S_{i+1}$ , where  $S_{i+1} = S_i^0 \cup S_i^+ \cup S_i^\dagger$  with  $S_0 = \{u\}$ , and  $S_i^0 = \{p + q : p, q \in S_i\}$ ,  $S_i^+ = \{as : s \in S, a \in S_i\}$ ,  $S_i^\dagger = \{sa : s \in S, a \in S_i\}$ .

## 2. Matrix Seminearring

For a right seminearring  $S$  with identity 1, let  $S^n$  will be the direct sum of  $n$  copies of  $(S, +)$ . The elements of  $S^n$  are written as  $(s_1, \dots, s_n)$  as column vectors. The symbols  $i_i$  and  $\tau_j$  respectively, denote the  $i^{th}$  coordinate injective and  $j^{th}$  coordinate projective maps.

For an element  $a \in S$ ,  $i_i(a) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{a}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ , and  $\tau_j(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a_j$ , for

any  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in S^n$ . The seminearring of  $n \times n$  matrices over  $S$ , denoted by  $M_n(S)$ , is defined as  $M_n(S) = \{\{\delta_{ij}^r : S^n \rightarrow S^n \mid r \in S, 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}\}$ , where  $\delta_{ij}^r(p_1, \dots, p_n) := (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n)$  with  $s_i = rp_j$  and  $s_k = 0$  if  $k \neq i$ . Clearly,  $\delta_{ij}^r = i_i \delta^r \tau_j$ , where  $\delta^r(s) = rs$ , for all  $r, s \in S$ .  $M_n(S)$  is a subseminearring of  $M(S^n)$ . If  $S$  is a semiring, then  $\delta_{kl}^s$  corresponds to the  $n \times n$ -matrix with  $s$  in position  $(k, l)$  and zeros elsewhere. We denote  $e_i$  as 1 in the  $i^{th}$  component and 0 elsewhere; and  $\underline{e} = e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n$ .

**Definition 2.1.** For  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ,  $\delta_{ij}^1$  are defined as the matrix units.

**Definition 2.2.** For the identity matrix  $I$  is defined as  $I = \delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{22}^1 + \dots + \delta_{nn}^1$ .

**Definition 2.3.** The  $i^{th}$  row of matrix  $A$  is the function  $\tau_i A : S^n \rightarrow S$ . It is denoted by  $A(i)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** The product of a scalar  $s \in S$  and a given matrix  $A$  is  $sA$ , defined as  $\sum_{i=1}^n i_i \delta^s A(i)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Scalar multiplication on the right of a matrix  $A$  by an element  $s \in S$  is defined by

$$As = A(\delta_{11}^s + \delta_{22}^s + \cdots + \delta_{nn}^s)$$

For any matrix  $B \in M_n(S)$ , we use  $w(B)$  to denote minimum number of  $\delta_{kl}^s$  therein.

**Proposition 2.6.** *If  $S$  is zero-symmetric, then  $s\delta_{ij}^1 = \delta_{ij}^s$ , for all  $s \in S$ .*

*Proof.* Take  $s \in S$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} s\delta_{ij}^1(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) &= s(0, \dots, \underbrace{a_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (s0, \dots, sa_j, \dots, s0) \\ &= (0, \dots, sa_j, \dots, 0) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^s(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \end{aligned}$$

□

The following properties of matrix nearrings (see, [10]) are generalized to matrix seminearrings. However, we provide the proofs for completeness.

**Lemma 2.7.** (1)  $\delta_{ij}^r + \delta_{kl}^s = \begin{cases} \delta_{ij}^{r+s}, & \text{if } i = k, j = l; \\ \delta_{kl}^s + \delta_{ij}^r, & \text{if } i \neq k. \end{cases}$

$$(2) \delta_{ij}^r \delta_{kl}^s = \begin{cases} \delta_{il}^{rs}, & \text{if } j = k; \\ \delta_{il}^{r0}, & \text{if } j \neq k; \end{cases}$$

$$(3) \delta_{ij}^1 \delta_{kl}^1 = \begin{cases} \delta_{il}^1, & \text{if } j = k; \\ \mathbf{0}, & \text{if } j \neq k; \end{cases}$$

$$(4) \delta_{ij}^r (\delta_{1k_1}^{r_1} + \cdots + \delta_{nk_n}^{r_n}) = \delta_{ik_j}^{rr_j};$$

where  $r, s \in S, 1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in S^n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} &(\delta_{ij}^r + \delta_{kl}^s)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + \delta_{kl}^s(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + \delta_{ij}^s(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{ra_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) + (0, \dots, \underbrace{sa_j}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0) \end{aligned}$$

**Case (i):** If  $i = k$  and  $j = l$ , then we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{ij}^r + \delta_{kl}^s)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{ra_j + sa_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{(r+s)a_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^{r+s}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \end{aligned}$$

**Case (ii):** If  $i \neq k$ , then without loss of generality take  $i < k$ . Then we get

$$(\delta_{ij}^r + \delta_{kl}^s)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{ra_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, \underbrace{sa_l}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0).$$

Similarly, we can verify that

$$(\delta_{kl}^s + \delta_{ij}^r)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{ra_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, \underbrace{sa_l}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0).$$

Therefore,  $\delta_{ij}^r + \delta_{kl}^s = \delta_{kl}^s + \delta_{ij}^r$ , if  $i \neq k$ .

(2) Suppose  $j = k$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{ij}^r \delta_{kl}^s)(a_1, \dots, a_n) &= \delta_{ij}^r(\delta_{kl}^s(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(0, \dots, \underbrace{sa_l}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(0, \dots, \underbrace{sa_l}_{j^{th}}, \dots, 0) \text{ (since } j = k) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{rsa_l}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{(rs)a_l}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= \delta_{il}^{rs}(a_1, \dots, a_n). \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $j \neq k$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{ij}^r \delta_{kl}^s)(a_1, \dots, a_n) &= \delta_{ij}^r(\delta_{kl}^s(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(0, \dots, \underbrace{sa_l}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{r0}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \text{ (since } j \neq k) \\ &= \delta_{il}^{r0}(a_1, \dots, a_n). \end{aligned}$$

(3) If  $j = k$ , by (2), we get  $\delta_{ij}^1 \delta_{kl}^1 = \delta_{il}^1$ .

Suppose  $j \neq k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ij}^1 \delta_{kl}^1(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) &= \delta_{ij}^1(\delta_{kl}^1(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^1(0, \dots, \underbrace{a_l}_{k^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{0}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \text{ (since } j \neq k) \\ &= \delta_{il}^0(a_1, \dots, a_n). \\ &= \mathbf{0}(a_1, \dots, a_n). \end{aligned}$$

(4)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \delta_{ij}^r(\delta_{1k_1}^{r_1} + \cdots + \delta_{nk_n}^{r_n})(a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n) \\
 &= \delta_{ij}^r\left(\delta_{1k_1}^{r_1}(a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n) + \cdots + \delta_{nk_n}^{r_n}(a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n)\right) \\
 &= \delta_{ij}^r\left((r_1 a_{k_1}, 0, \cdots, 0) + \cdots + (0, 0, \cdots, r_n a_{k_n})\right) \\
 &= \delta_{ij}^r\left((r_1 a_{k_1}, r_2 a_{k_2}, \cdots, r_n a_{k_n})\right) \\
 &= \left(0, \cdots, \underbrace{r r_j a_{k_j}}_{i^{th}}, \cdots, 0\right) \\
 &= \delta_{ik_j}^{r r_j}(a_1, \cdots, a_n).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 2.8.** For any  $A \in M_n(S)$  and  $x, y, \cdots, z \in S$ , there are  $a, b, \cdots, c \in S$  such that

$$A(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) = \delta_{1k}^a + \delta_{2k}^b + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^c,$$

for any  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .

*Proof.* We prove this result by induction on  $w(A)$ . Suppose  $w(A) = 1$ . Then  $A = \delta_{ij}^s$  for some  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  and  $s \in S$ . Now  $\delta_{ij}^s(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z)(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n) = \delta_{ij}^s(x x_k, y y_k, \cdots, z z_k) = (\delta_{1k}^0 + \cdots + \delta_{ik}^{r r_j} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^0)(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n)$ . Assume that the result is true when  $w(A) < n$ . Suppose  $w(A) = n$ . Then  $A = B + C$  or  $A = BC$  for some  $B, C \in M_n(S)$  with  $w(B), w(C) < n$ .

Case 1:  $A = B + C$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) &= (B + C)(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) = B(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) \\
 &+ C(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) = (\delta_{1k}^{b_1} + \delta_{2k}^{b_2} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^{b_n}) + (\delta_{1k}^{c_1} + \delta_{2k}^{c_2} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^{c_n}) \\
 &= (\delta_{1k}^{b_1+c_1} + \delta_{2k}^{b_2+c_2} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^{b_n+c_n}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 2:  $A = BC$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) &= (BC)(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) = B(C(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z)) \\
 &= B(\delta_{1k}^{c_1} + \delta_{2k}^{c_2} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^{c_n}) \quad (\text{Since } w(C) < n). \quad \text{Since } w(B) < n, \text{ we get} \\
 A(\delta_{1k}^x + \delta_{2k}^y + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^z) &= \delta_{1k}^{b_1} + \delta_{2k}^{b_2} + \cdots + \delta_{nk}^{b_n}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.9.** Let  $K \in M_n(S)$ ,  $x \in S$  and  $\rho \in S^n$ . Then  $(K\rho)(x\underline{e}) = K(\rho(x\underline{e}))$ .

*Proof.* We prove this by induction on  $w(K)$ . Suppose  $w(K) = 1$ , then  $K = \delta_{ij}^a$  for some  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ,  $a \in S$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 (K\rho)(x\underline{e}) &= (\delta_{ij}^a \rho)(x(1, 1, \cdots, 1)) \\
 &= (0, \cdots, \underbrace{a x_j}_{i^{th}}, \cdots, 0)(x, x, \cdots, x) \\
 &= (0, \cdots, \underbrace{a x_j x}_{i^{th}}, \cdots, 0) \\
 &= \delta_{ij}^a((x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n)x(1, 1, \cdots, 1)) \\
 &= \delta_{ij}^a(\rho x\underline{e})
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume that the result is true when  $w(K) < n$ . Suppose  $w(K) = n$ . Then  $K = B + C$  or  $K = BC$  for some  $B, C \in M_n(S)$  with  $w(B), w(C) < n$ .

Case 1:  $K = B + C$

$$(K\rho)(x\underline{e}) = ((B+C)\rho)(x\underline{e}) = (B\rho+C\rho)(x\underline{e}) = (B\rho)(x\underline{e}) + (C\rho)(x\underline{e}) = B(\rho(x\underline{e})) + C(\rho(x\underline{e})), \text{ (by induction)} = (B+C)(\rho(x\underline{e})) = K(\rho(x\underline{e})).$$

Case 2:  $K = BC$ .

$$(K\rho)(x\underline{e}) = ((BC)\rho)(x\underline{e}) = B((C\rho)(x\underline{e})) = (BC)(\rho(x\underline{e})) = K(\rho(x\underline{e})). \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.10.** *For any  $\rho \in S^n$ , there exists  $X \in M_n(S)$  such that  $\rho = Xe_1$ .*

**Theorem 2.11.** *An element  $r \in S$  is distributive if and only if  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is distributive in  $M_n(S)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $r$  is distributive in  $S$ . Then  $r(s+t) = rs + rt$  for all  $s, t \in S$ . Let  $A, B \in M_n(S)$  and  $X \in S^n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ij}^r(A+B)(X) &= \delta_{ij}^r(AX+BX) \\ &= (i_i \delta^r \tau_j)(AX+BX) \\ &= (i_i \delta^r) \tau_j(AX+BX) \\ &= i_i \delta^r(\tau_j AX + \tau_j BX) \\ &= i_i(r(\tau_j AX + \tau_j BX)) \\ &= i_i(r\tau_j AX + r\tau_j BX), \text{ (since } r \text{ is distributive in } S) \\ &= i_i \delta^r \tau_j AX + i_i \delta^r \tau_j BX \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r(AX) + \delta_{ij}^r(BX) = (\delta_{ij}^r A)X + (\delta_{ij}^r B)X = (\delta_{ij}^r A + \delta_{ij}^r B)X. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, suppose  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is distributive over  $M_n(S)$ . Let  $s, t \in S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ij}^r(\delta_{ji}^s + \delta_{ji}^t)(1, 1, \dots, 1) &= \delta_{ij}^r(\delta_{ji}^s(1, 1, \dots, 1) + \delta_{ij}^r \delta_{ji}^t(1, 1, \dots, 1)) \\ &= \delta_{ij}^r((0, \dots, \underbrace{s}_{j^{th}}, \dots, 0) + (0, \dots, \underbrace{t}_{j^{th}}, \dots, 0)) \\ &= (0, 0, \dots, \underbrace{r(s+t)}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{ij}^r \delta_{ji}^s + \delta_{ij}^r \delta_{ji}^t)(1, 1, \dots, 1) &= \delta_{ij}^r \delta_{ji}^s(1, 1, \dots, 1) + \delta_{ij}^r \delta_{ji}^t(1, 1, \dots, 1) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{rs}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) + (0, \dots, \underbrace{rt}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{rs+rt}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is distributive, we get  $(0, 0, \dots, \underbrace{r(s+t)}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{rs+rt}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ .

Therefore  $r(s+t) = rs + rt$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.12.** *An element  $r \in S$  is constant if and only if  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is constant in  $M_n(S)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $r$  is constant in  $S$ . Let  $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . Consider  $\delta_{ij}^r \mathbf{0}(X) = \delta_{ij}^r(\mathbf{0}(X)) = \delta_{ij}^r(0, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{r0}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{rx_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ , where  $x_j = \tau_j(X)$ . Since  $r$  is constant, we get  $\delta_{ij}^r \mathbf{0}(X) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{r}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) = \delta_{ij}^r X$ .

Therefore,  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is constant.

Conversely, suppose  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is constant in  $M_n(S)$ . Consider  $(\delta_{ij}^r \mathbf{0})(1, 1, \dots, 1) = \delta_{ij}^r(0, 0, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{r0}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ .

On the other hand,  $\delta_{ij}^r(1, 1, \dots, 1) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{r}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ . Since  $\delta_{ij}^r$  is constant, we have  $(\delta_{ij}^r \mathbf{0}) = \delta_{ij}^r$ . That is,  $(0, \dots, \underbrace{r0}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, \underbrace{r}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0)$ . Therefore,  $r0 = r$ .  $\square$

We consider a zero symmetric matrix seminearring and  $1 \in S$ .

### 3. $s$ -ideals in $M_n(S)$

**Definition 3.1.** A subset  $\mathcal{Q}$  of  $M_n(S)$  is a right (left)  $s$ -ideal if

- (1)  $A + B \in \mathcal{Q}$ , and
- (2)  $AX$  ( $XA$ )  $\in \mathcal{Q}$ ,

for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $X \in M_n(S)$ .

Moreover, an  $s$ -ideal  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $M_n(S)$  is said to be a full  $s$ -ideal if  $\mathcal{A} = K^*$  for some  $s$ -ideal  $K$  of  $S$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A subset  $\mathcal{Q}$  of  $M_n(S)$  is a right (left) invariant if  $\mathcal{Q}M_n(S) \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$  ( $M_n(S)\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$ ).

*Remark 3.3.* Every right  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$  is right invariant.

**Lemma 3.4.** If  $\mathcal{Q} \subseteq M_n(S)$  is right invariant, then  $\mathcal{Q}S^n = \mathcal{Q}e_1$ .

*Proof.* Easy verification.  $\square$

**Definition 3.5.** If  $K \subseteq S$ , we define

$$K^* = \{A \in M_n(S) : A\rho \in K^n, \text{ for all } \rho \in S\}.$$

**Proposition 3.6.** If  $K$  is a left  $s$ -ideal of  $S$ , then  $K^*$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A, B \in K^*$ . Then  $A\rho, B\rho \in K^n$  for all  $\rho \in S^n$ . Now,  $(A + B)\rho = A\rho + B\rho \in K^n$ . Therefore,  $A + B \in K^*$ . For any  $C \in M_n(S)$ ,  $(AC)\rho = A(C\rho) \in K^n$ , since  $C\rho \in S^n$ . Therefore  $AC \in K^*$ . Also,  $(CA)\rho = C(A\rho) = C\rho_1$ , where  $\rho_1 = A\rho \in K^n$ . Now we apply induction on the weight of  $C$ . Let  $w(C) = 1$ , say

$C = \delta_{ij}^s$ ,  $s \in S$  and  $\rho_1 = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in K^n$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} C\rho_1 &= \delta_{ij}^s(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= (0, \dots, \underbrace{sx_j}_{i^{th}}, \dots, 0) \\ &\in K^n, \text{ since } K \text{ is a left } s\text{-ideal.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $(CA)\rho \in K^n$  for all  $\rho \in S^n$ , and so  $CA \in K^*$ . Suppose that the result is true for  $w(C) < n$ . Let  $w(C) = n$ . Then  $C = P + Q$  or  $C = PQ$ .

Case-(i):  $C = P + Q$

$$\begin{aligned} C\rho_1 &= (P + Q)\rho_1 \\ &= P\rho_1 + Q\rho_1 \\ &\in K^n + K^n \\ &= K^n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $(CA)\rho \in K^n$  for all  $\rho \in S^n$ , and so  $CA \in K^*$ .

Case-(ii):  $C = PQ$

$$\begin{aligned} C\rho_1 &= (PQ)\rho_1 \\ &= P(Q\rho_1) \\ &= P\rho_2, \text{ where } \rho_2 = Q\rho_1 \in K^n \\ &\in K^n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(CA)\rho \in K^n$  for all  $\rho \in S^n$ , and so  $CA \in K^*$ . Therefore,  $K^*$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.7.** If  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq M_n(S)$ , we define

$$\mathcal{K}_* = \{t \in S : t \in \text{Im}(\tau_j A) \text{ for some } A \in \mathcal{K}, 1 \leq j \leq n\}.$$

**Proposition 3.8.** Let  $\mathcal{K}$  is a two sided  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ .  $a \in \mathcal{K}_*$  if and only if  $\delta_{11}^a \in \mathcal{K}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . Then there exists  $A \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $\rho \in S^n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$  such that  $\tau_j(A\rho) = a$ . Since  $A\rho \in \mathcal{K}S^n$ , by Lemma 3.4, there exists  $X \in \mathcal{K}$  such that  $A\rho = Xe_1$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} Xe_1 &= X(\delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{21}^0 + \dots + \delta_{n1}^0)e_1 \\ &= (\delta_{11}^{a_1} + \dots + \delta_{n1}^{a_n})e_1, \text{ by Lemma 2.8} \end{aligned}$$



Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= \tau_j(A\rho) \\
 &= \tau_j(Xe_1) \\
 &= \tau_j(\delta_{11}^{a_1} + \cdots + \delta_{n1}^{a_n})e_1 \\
 &= \tau_j(\delta_{11}^{a_1}e_1 + \cdots + \delta_{n1}^{a_n}e_1) \\
 &= \tau_j(a_1, \cdots, a_n) \\
 &= a_j.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\delta_{1j}^1 X(\delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{21}^0 \cdots + \delta_{n1}^0)(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \delta_{1j}^1(\delta_{11}^{a_1} + \delta_{21}^{a_2} + \cdots + \delta_{j1}^{a_j} + \cdots + \delta_{n1}^{a_n})(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n) \\
 &= \delta_{11}^{a_j}(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n) \\
 &= (a_j\alpha_1, 0, \cdots, 0) \\
 &= (a\alpha_1, 0, \cdots, 0) \\
 &= \delta_{11}^a(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n), \text{ for all } (\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n) \in S^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\delta_{1j}^1 X(\delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{21}^0 + \cdots + \delta_{n1}^0) = \delta_{11}^a \in \mathcal{K}$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $\delta_{11}^a \in \mathcal{K}$ . Then  $\tau_1\delta_{11}^a(1, 0, \cdots, 0) = \tau_1(a, 0, \cdots, 0) = a$ . Therefore,  $a \in \mathcal{K}_*$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.9.** *If  $\mathcal{K}$  is a two sided  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ , then  $s \in \mathcal{K}_*$  if and only if  $\delta_{ij}^s \in \mathcal{K}$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.8, we have  $\delta_{11}^s \in \mathcal{K}$ . Since  $\mathcal{K}$  is a  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ , we have  $\delta_{ij}^s = \delta_{i1}^1 \delta_{11}^s \delta_{1j}^1 \in \mathcal{K}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.10.** *If  $\mathcal{K}$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ , then  $\mathcal{K}_*$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mathcal{K}$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal in  $M_n(S)$ . To show  $\mathcal{K}_*$  is a two-sided  $s$ -ideal in  $S$ . Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . This implies  $\delta_{11}^a, \delta_{11}^b \in \mathcal{K}$ . Now  $\delta_{11}^{a+b} = \delta_{11}^a + \delta_{11}^b \in \mathcal{K}$ . Therefore,  $a + b \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . Let  $a \in \mathcal{K}_*$  and  $s \in S$ . Now,  $\delta_{11}^{as} = \delta_{11}^a \delta_{11}^s \in \mathcal{K}$ , as  $\mathcal{K}$  is  $s$ -ideal in  $M_n(S)$ . Also,  $\delta_{11}^{sa} = \delta_{11}^s \delta_{11}^a \in \mathcal{K}$ . Therefore,  $sa \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . Hence  $\mathcal{K}_*$  is two-sided  $s$ -ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.11.** *For two-sided  $s$ -ideal  $K$  of  $S$  and the corresponding two-sided  $s$ -ideal  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $M_n(S)$  the following are true.*

- (i)  $(\mathcal{K}_*)^* \supseteq \mathcal{K}$
- (ii)  $(K^*)_* = K$

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $L \in \mathcal{K}$ . Then  $\tau_j L\rho \in \mathcal{K}_*$ , for every  $\rho \in S^n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . This implies  $L\rho \in (\mathcal{K}_*)^n$ , for all  $\rho \in S^n$ . Therefore,  $L \in (\mathcal{K}_*)^*$ .  
 (ii)  $x \in (K^*)_*$  if and only if  $\delta_{11}^x \in K^*$  if and only if  $\delta_{11}^x \rho \in K^n$ ,  $\forall \rho \in S^n$   
 if and only if  $\delta_{11}^x e \in K^n$  if and only if  $(x, 0, \cdots, 0) \in K^n$  if and only if  $x \in K$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.12.** *There is a bijection between the set of two-sided  $s$ -ideals of  $S$  and the set of full  $s$ -ideals of  $M_n(S)$  given by  $\mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}^*$  and  $\mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_*$  such that  $(\mathcal{K}^*)_* = \mathcal{K}$  and  $(\mathcal{K}_*)^* = \mathcal{K}$  for a  $s$ -ideal  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $S$  and a  $s$ -ideal  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $M_n(S)$ .*

**Definition 3.13.**  $A \in M_n(S)$  is nilpotent if  $A^k = \mathbf{0}$ , for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ; and if there is no such element in  $M_n(S)$  except  $\mathbf{0}$ , then we call  $M_n(S)$  is reduced.

**Definition 3.14.** An  $s$ -ideal  $K$  in a seminearring  $S$  is said to fulfill the insertion of factors property (IFP) if for every  $a, b, c \in S$ ,  $ab \in K$  implies  $acb \in K$ .

**Theorem 3.15.** *If  $M_n(S)$  is reduced, then  $S$  has IFP.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $M_n(S)$  is reduced. Let  $a, b, n \in S$  such that  $ab = 0$ . Then, we have  $\delta_{11}^{ab} = \mathbf{0}$ . Now,  $(\delta_{11}^{ba})^2 = \delta_{11}^{ba}\delta_{11}^{ba} = \delta_{11}^{bab} = \delta_{11}^{b0a} = \delta_{11}^{b0} = \mathbf{0}$ , as  $S$  has absorbing zero. Therefore,  $(\delta_{11}^{ba})^2 = \mathbf{0}$ . Since  $M_n(S)$  is reduced, we have that  $\delta_{11}^{ba} = \mathbf{0}$ . This means,  $\delta_{11}^{ba}\rho = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ , for all  $\rho \in S^n$ . In particular,  $\delta_{11}^{ba}(1, 1, \dots, 1) = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ . This implies  $(ba, 0, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, 0)$ , and so  $ba = 0$ . Now,  $(\delta_{11}^{anb})^2 = \delta_{11}^{anb}\delta_{11}^{anb} = \delta_{11}^{anbanb} = \delta_{11}^{an0nb} = \delta_{11}^0$ . Therefore,  $(\delta_{11}^{anb})^2 = \mathbf{0}$ . Since  $M_n(S)$  is reduced, we have that  $\delta_{11}^{anb} = \mathbf{0}$ . So,  $(\delta_{11}^{anb})(1, 1, \dots, 1) = \mathbf{0}$ . This is same as,  $(anb, 0, \dots, 0) = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ . Therefore,  $anb = 0$ . Hence  $S$  has IFP. □

**Proposition 3.16.** *Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be an  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ . If  $\mathcal{K}$  has IFP, then  $\mathcal{K}_*$  has IFP in  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\mathcal{K}$  has IFP. Let  $a, b, c \in S$  such that  $ab \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . To show  $acb \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . Since  $ab \in \mathcal{K}_*$ , we have  $\delta_{11}^{ab} \in \mathcal{K}$ , and so  $\delta_{11}^a\delta_{11}^b \in \mathcal{K}$ . Since  $\mathcal{K}$  has IFP, we have  $\delta_{11}^a A \delta_{11}^b \in \mathcal{K}$ , for all  $A \in M_n(S)$ . Put  $A = \delta_{11}^c$ . Then  $\delta_{11}^{acb} = \delta_{11}^a \delta_{11}^c \delta_{11}^b \in \mathcal{K}$ . Thus  $\delta_{11}^{acb} \in \mathcal{K}$ , and so  $acb \in \mathcal{K}_*$ . □

**Definition 3.17.** A  $s$ -ideal  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $M_n(S)$  is said to be prime if  $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$  implies  $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$  or  $\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$ , for all  $s$ -ideals  $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q}$  of  $M_n(S)$ .

**Proposition 3.18.** *Let  $P$  be a prime  $s$ -ideal of  $S$ . Then  $P^*$  is a prime  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $P$  be a prime  $s$ -ideal of  $S$ . We show  $P^*$  is a prime  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be two  $s$ -ideals of  $M_n(S)$  such that  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B} \subseteq P^*$ . On a contrary, suppose that  $\mathcal{A} \not\subseteq P^*$  and  $\mathcal{B} \not\subseteq P^*$ . Then there exist  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $A \notin P^*$  and  $B \notin P^*$ . This means that there exist  $\rho, \delta \in S^n$  such that  $A\rho \notin P^n$  and  $B\delta \notin P^n$ . That is,  $a = \tau_k(A\rho) \notin P$ , for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . Since  $A\rho \in \langle A \rangle S^n$  and  $\langle A \rangle$  is a right  $s$ -ideal of  $M_n(S)$ , by Lemma 3.4, there exists  $C \in \langle A \rangle$  such that  $A\rho = Ce_1$ . This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} Ce_1 &= C[\delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{21}^0 + \dots + \delta_{n1}^0]e_1 \\ &= [\delta_{11}^{a_1} + \delta_{21}^{a_2} \dots + \delta_{n1}^{a_n}]e_1 \\ &= (c_1, \dots, c_n) \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\tau_k(Ce_1) = c_k = \tau_k(A\rho) = a$ , implies  $c_k = a \notin P$ . This implies,  $\delta_{11}^{c_k} \notin P^*$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta_{1k}^1 C[\delta_{11}^1 + \delta_{21}^0 + \cdots + \delta_{n1}^0] \\ &= \delta_{1k}^1 [\delta_{11}^{c_1} + \delta_{21}^{c_2} \cdots + \delta_{n1}^{c_n}] \\ &= \delta_{11}^{c_k} \in \langle A \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\delta_{11}^a \in \langle A \rangle \setminus P^*$ . Similarly, since  $B\delta \notin P^n$ , there exists  $b \notin P$  such that  $\delta_{11}^b \in \langle B \rangle \setminus P^*$ . Since  $a \notin P$ ,  $b \notin P$ , it follows that  $\langle a \rangle \not\subseteq P$  and  $\langle b \rangle \not\subseteq P$ . Again, since  $\langle a \rangle \langle b \rangle \not\subseteq P$ , we get  $c \in \langle a \rangle$  and  $d \in \langle b \rangle$  such that  $cd \notin P$ . Therefore,

$$\delta_{11}^{cd} \notin P^* \cdots (1)$$

Now  $c \in \langle a \rangle$ . Write  $X = \{a\}$ . Referring to the notion of  $\langle a \rangle = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} X_i$ , we prove  $\delta_{11}^c \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . Suppose  $c \in X_m$  and  $m = 0$ . Then  $c \in X_0 = X = \{a\}$ . In this case,  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^a \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . Suppose  $m = 1$ . Then  $c = X_1 = X_0^0 \cup X_0^+ \cup X_0^*$ . If  $c \in X_0^+$ , then  $c = a + b$ . Now,  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^{a+b} = \delta_{11}^a + \delta_{11}^b \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . If  $c \in X_0^*$ , then  $c = as$ . Now  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^{sa} = \delta_{11}^s \delta_{11}^a \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . Therefore,  $c \in \langle a \rangle$ . Thus,  $\delta_{11}^c \in \delta_{11}^a$  for  $m = 1$ . Induction hypothesis: Suppose  $\delta_{11}^c \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$  for all  $c \in X_{k-1}$ . Suppose  $c = X_k = X_{k-1} \cup X_{k-1}^+ \cup X_{k-1}^*$ . If  $c \in X_{k-1}^+$ , then  $c = x + y$ , for some  $x, y \in X_{k-1}$ . Now  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^{x+y} = \delta_{11}^x + \delta_{11}^y \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . If  $c \in X_{k-1}^*$ , then  $c = as$ , for some  $a \in X_{k-1}$ . Now  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^{sa} = \delta_{11}^s \delta_{11}^a \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . If  $c \in X_{k-1}$ , then  $c = sa$ , for some  $a \in X_{k-1}$ . Now  $\delta_{11}^c = \delta_{11}^{sa} = \delta_{11}^s \delta_{11}^a \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle$ . Therefore,  $c \in \langle a \rangle$  implies  $\delta_{11}^c \in \langle \delta_{11}^a \rangle \subseteq \langle A \rangle$ . Similarly,  $d \in \langle b \rangle$  implies  $\delta_{11}^d \in \langle \delta_{11}^b \rangle \subseteq \langle B \rangle$ . Thus,  $\delta_{11}^{cd} = \delta_{11}^c \delta_{11}^d \in \langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle \subseteq \mathcal{AB} \subseteq P^*$ . Therefore,

$$\delta_{11}^{cd} \in P^* \cdots (2)$$

Therefore, from (1) and (2), we have a contradiction. Thus,  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq P^*$  or  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq P^*$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Conclusion

We have defined the notion of a matrix seminearring (abbr.  $M_n(S)$ ) over an arbitrary seminearring  $S$ . We proved various properties of matrix maps over a seminearring to obtain a one-one correspondence between the ideals of a seminearring and that of full ideals of matrix seminearring. We can extend the study to different classes of prime ideals in matrix seminearrings and corresponding radical properties.

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