

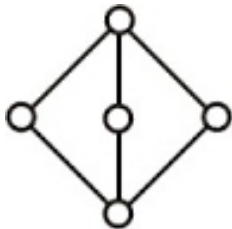
# On base radical and semisimple class operators for associative rings

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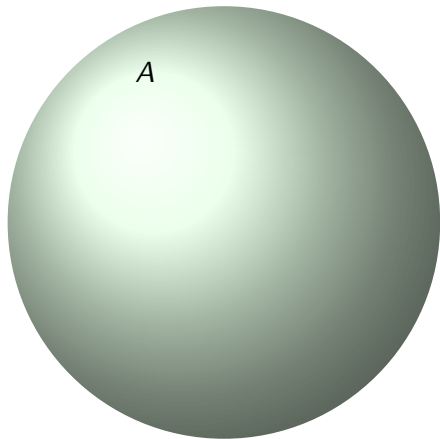
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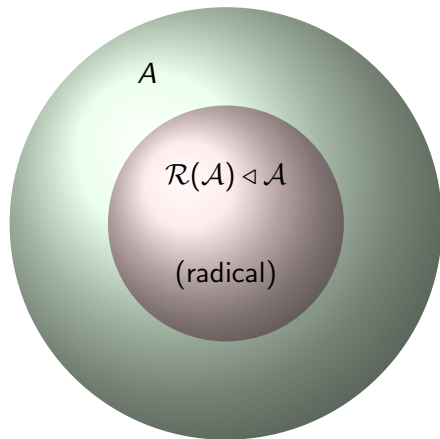
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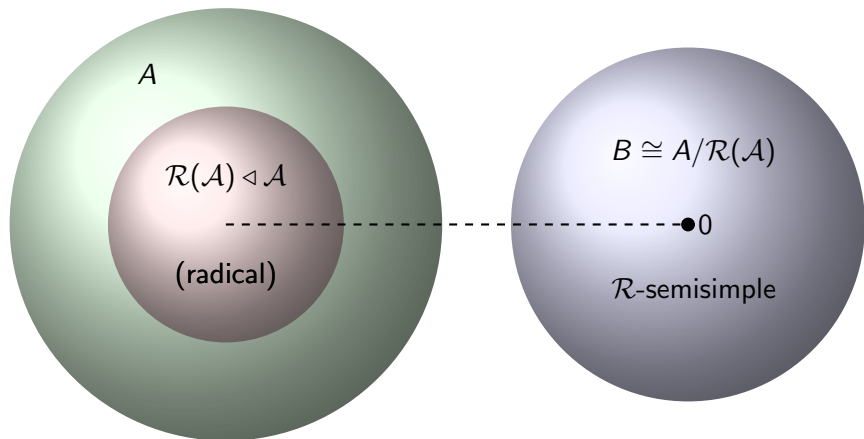


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$RT_{\mathcal{A}_1} = \{\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{UU}, \mathbf{US}, \mathbf{SU}, \mathbf{SS}, \mathbf{UUU}, \mathbf{USS}, \mathbf{USU}, \mathbf{SUS}, \mathbf{SSS}, \mathbf{USSS}\}$  with  $|RT_{\mathcal{A}_1}| = 12$

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- (ii)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{USSS}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbf{SUUU}(\mathcal{X})$ ,
- (iii)  $\mathcal{X}$  is a radical class with condition (2\*),
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A radical class  $\mathcal{R}$  is hereditary iff  $\mathcal{R}$  is of the form  $\mathbf{USS}(\mathcal{X})$  for some subclass  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

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If a radical class  $\mathcal{R}$  is hereditary then  $\mathcal{R}$  has condition  $(2^*)$  and, by the previous proposition,  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbf{USSS}(\mathcal{R})$  and so  $\mathcal{R}$  is of the form  $\mathbf{USS}(\mathcal{X})$ . The converse is clear from the previous proposition.  $\square$



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If a subclass  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is contained in  $\mathbf{SU}(\mathcal{X})$ , then  $\mathbf{SSU}(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq \mathbf{SSS}(\mathcal{X})$ . Since  $\mathbf{SSU}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbf{SSS}(\mathcal{X})$  it follows that  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbf{SSS}(\mathcal{X})$ , showing  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{X})$  is a semisimple class.  $\square$

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with  $|RT_{\mathcal{A}_1}^*| = 30$ .

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