

PROPOSITION 2. Let g and h be n -ary quasigroups. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) g and h are strongly orthogonal;
- (2) g and h are perpendicular of the type $(\iota, \iota; m)$ for all $m \in \overline{1, n}$;
- (3) g and h are δ -retractly orthogonal for all $\delta \subset \overline{1, n}$;
- (4) for an arbitrary $m \in \overline{1, n}$ operation $g \oplus_m h$ is invertible, where

$$(g \oplus_m h)(x_1, \dots, x_n) := g(x_1, \dots, x_{m-1}, h(x_1, \dots, x_n), x_{m+1}, \dots, x_n).$$

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Diagonal reduction of matrices over commutative semihereditary Bezout rings

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All rings considered will be commutative and have identity. Recently there has been some interest in the polynomial ring $R[x]$, where R is a von Neumann regular ring. Such a ring is a Bezout ring, semihereditary ring, and so Hermite ring. Thus, it is natural to ask whether or not $R[x]$ is an elementary divisor ring. This question is answered affirmative in [3]. It is an open problem whether or not every Bezout domain is an elementary divisor ring and more generally: whether or not every semihereditary Bezout ring is an elementary divisor ring.

We obtain a complete characterization of semihereditary elementary divisor ring through its homomorphic images.

Mc Adam S. and Swan R. G. studied comaximal factorization in commutative rings [2]. Following them, we give the following definitions.

DEFINITION 1. A nonzero element a of a ring R is called inpseudo-irreducible if for any representation $a = b \cdot c$ we have $bR + cR = R$.

DEFINITION 2. An element a of a ring R is called pseudo-irreducible if for any representation $a = b \cdot c$, where $b, c \notin U(R)$, we have $bR + cR \neq R$.

Other definitions can be found in the articles [1, 4].

THEOREM 1. Let R be a Bezout ring of stable range 2. A regular element $a \in R$ is inpseudo-irreducible iff R/aR is a von Neumann regular ring.

THEOREM 2. *Let R be a Bezout ring of stable range 2. A regular element $a \in R$ is pseudo-irreducible iff R/aR is an indecomposable ring.*

THEOREM 3. *Let R be a Bezout ring of stable range 2. A regular element $a \in R$ is an adequate element iff R/aR is a semiregular ring.*

THEOREM 4. *Let R be a Bezout ring of stable range 2 and of Gelfand range 1. Then R is an elementary divisor ring.*

THEOREM 5. *Let R be a Bezout domain. Then the following statements are equivalent*

- 1) R is an elementary divisor ring.
- 2) R is a ring of Gelfand range 1.

THEOREM 6. *Let R be a semihereditary PM Bezout ring. Then R is an elementary divisor ring.*

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Bezout rings with nonzero principal Jacobson radical

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All rings considered are commutative with $1 \neq 0$. Let us consider the example of M. Henriksen $R = \{z_0 + a_1x + a_2x + \dots \mid z_0 \in Z, a_i \in Q\}$ [1]. It has been constructed as an example of a commutative Bezout domain, which is an elementary divisor ring and is not an adequate ring. We note that its Jacobson radical is a nonzero prime ideal, which is not a principal ideal and stable range of the ring R equals 2. The issue arises about the structure of a Bezout domain in which a Jacobson radical is a nonzero principal ideal.

DEFINITION 1. A ring R is called a Bezout ring if its every finitely generated ideal is principal.

DEFINITION 2. A ring R is called a ring of stable range 1, if for any $a, b \in R$ such that $aR + bR = R$, there exists such an element $y \in R$ that $(a + by)R = R$ [2].

THEOREM 1. *Let R be a commutative Bezout domain in which a Jacobson radical $J(R)$ is a nonzero principal ideal. Then R is a ring of stable range 1.*

THEOREM 2. *Let R be a commutative Bezout domain, and let for the element $a \in R \setminus \{0\}$, a Jacobson radical of the factor ring $J(R/aR)$ is a nonzero principal ideal. Then the element a is contained only in the finite number of maximal ideals that are principal.*