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## WEAK $\alpha$ -SKEW ARMENDARIZ IDEAL

### СЛАБКІ $\alpha$ -КОСИ ІДЕАЛИ АРМЕНДАРІЗА

We introduce the concept of weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideals and investigate their properties. Moreover, we prove that  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $I[x]$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal. As a consequence, we show that  $R$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring if and only if  $R[x]$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring.

Введено поняття слабких  $\alpha$ -косих ідеалів Армендаріза та досліджено їх властивості. Крім того, доведено, що  $I$  є слабким  $\alpha$ -косим ідеалом Армендаріза тоді і тільки тоді, коли  $I[x]$  є слабким  $\alpha$ -косим ідеалом Армендаріза. Як наслідок, показано, що  $R$  є слабким  $\alpha$ -косим кільцем Армендаріза тоді і тільки тоді, коли  $R[x]$  є слабким  $\alpha$ -косим кільцем Армендаріза.

**1. Introduction.** In [11], Rege and Chhawchharia introduced the notion of an Armendariz ring. They defined a ring  $R$  (associative with identity) to be an Armendariz ring if whenever polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n \in R[x]$  satisfy  $f(x)g(x) = 0$ , then  $a_ib_j = 0$  for each  $i, j$ . (The converse is always true.) Some properties of Armendariz rings were given in [1, 2, 5, 6, 11]. Throughout this paper  $R$  denotes an associative ring with identity. A ring  $R$  is called *semicommutative* if for any  $a, b \in R$ ,  $ab = 0$  implies  $aRb = 0$ . The name *Armendariz ring* was chosen because Armendariz [2] (Lemma 1) had noted that a *reduced* ring (i.e.,  $a^2 = 0$  implies  $a = 0$ ) satisfies this condition. Zhongkui Liu and Renyu Zhao [9] studied a generalization of Armendariz ring, which is called weak Armendariz ring. A ring  $R$  is called *weak Armendariz* if whenever  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n \in R[x]$ , with  $a_i, b_j \in R$  satisfy  $f(x)g(x) = 0$ , then  $a_ib_j$  is a nilpotent element of  $R$  for each  $i, j$ . They have shown that, if  $R$  is a semicommutative ring, then the ring  $R[x]$  and the ring  $\frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}$ , are weak Armendariz. For an endomorphism  $\alpha$  of a ring  $R$ , Hong, Kim, and Kwak [3] called  $R$  an  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring if whenever polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n \in R[x; \alpha]$  satisfy  $f(x)g(x) = 0$ , then  $a_i\alpha^i(b_j) = 0$  for each  $i$  and  $j$ .

Recall from [10] that a one-sided ideal  $I$  of a ring  $R$  has the *insertion of factors property* (or simply, IFP) if  $ab \in I$  implies  $aRb \subseteq I$  for  $a, b \in R$ . Observe that every *completely semiprime* ideal (i.e.,  $a^2 \in I$  implies  $a \in I$ ) of  $R$  has the IFP (or  $R$  is semicommutative).

For any positive integer  $n$ , we study in this paper the relationship between ideals of  $R$  which are weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz and some ideals of the ring

$$R_n(R) = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a \end{array} \right) \mid a, a_{ij} \in R, \text{ for all } i, j \right\},$$

the  $n$ -by- $n$  upper triangular matrix ring over  $R$  and the ring  $\frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}$ , where  $(x^n)$  is the ideal generated by  $x^n$ . Also we show that, if  $I$  an ideal of  $R$ , then  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz if and only if  $I[x]$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

**2. On weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideals.** For an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  put

$$\sqrt{I} = \{a \in R \mid a^n \in I \text{ for some non-negative integer } n\}.$$

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\alpha$  be an endomorphism of a ring  $R$ , an ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is said to be weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz if whenever polynomials  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m$ ,  $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n \in R[x]$  satisfy  $f(x)g(x) \in I[x]$  then  $a_i\alpha^i(b_j) \in \sqrt{I}$  for all  $i, j$ .

Clearly, if  $I = 0$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal, then  $R$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring.

It is well-known that for a ring  $R$  and any positive integer  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\frac{R[x]}{(x^n)} \cong \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-1} \\ 0 & a_0 & \dots & a_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0 \end{array} \right) \mid a_i \in R, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \right\},$$

where  $(x^n)$  is the ideal of  $R[x]$  generated by  $x^n$ .

We introduced a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal in the following example.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $R$  be a  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring and consider

$$S = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{array} \right) \mid a, b \in R \right\}.$$

It is clear that  $I = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \mid b \in R \right\}$  is the ideal of  $S$ . Let  $f(x) = A_0 + A_1x + \dots + A_nx^n$ ,

$g(x) = B_0 + B_1x + \dots + B_mx^m \in S[x]$ , where  $A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{0i} & a_{1i} \\ 0 & a_{0i} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_{0j} & b_{1j} \\ 0 & b_{0j} \end{pmatrix}$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, m$  such that  $f(x)g(x) \in I[x]$ . Let

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_0(x) & \alpha_1(x) \\ 0 & \alpha_0(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad g(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0(x) & \beta_1(x) \\ 0 & \beta_0(x) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\alpha_0(x) = a_{00} + a_{01}x + \dots + a_{0n}x^n, \quad \beta_0(x) = b_{00} + b_{01}x + \dots + b_{0m}x^m.$$

Since  $f(x)g(x) \in I[x]$  thus  $\alpha_0(x)\beta_0(x) = 0$ , also  $R$  is an  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ring and hence  $a_{0i}\alpha^i(b_{0j}) = 0$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, m$ . Thus  $A_i\alpha^i(B_j) \in I$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, m$ . Therefore  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $R$  be a ring and  $n \geq 2$  a positive integer. Let  $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_{n-1}$  are ideals of  $R$ , such that  $I_i \subseteq I_{i+1}$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-2$ . Then

$$J = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-1} \\ 0 & a_0 & \dots & a_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0 \end{array} \right) \mid a_i \in I_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \right\}$$

is an ideal of  $\frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}$ .

**Proof.** It is straightforward.

We note that, in Proposition 2.1 and Theorem 2.1,  $I_0$  and  $J$  are ideals that mentioned in Lemma 2.1.

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let*

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a_0^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_0^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b_0^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_0^j \end{pmatrix} \in \frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}$$

such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \in I_0$  for any  $i, j$  and some integer  $k$ . Then  $(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{nk} \in J$ .

**Proof.** We proceed by induction on  $n$ . Let  $n = 2$ . For a positive integer  $k$ ,  $(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^k = \begin{pmatrix} (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k & c \\ 0 & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \end{pmatrix}$  and that

$$(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{2k} = \begin{pmatrix} ((a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{2k}) & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k c + c (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \\ 0 & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{2k} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence  $(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{2k} \in J$ , since  $(a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{2k}$ ,  $(a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k c + c (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \in I_0$ . Now, we have

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a_0^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0^i \end{pmatrix} \in \frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}$$

and

$$B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_0^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b_0^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_0^j \end{pmatrix} \in \frac{R[x]}{(x^n)},$$

such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \in I_0$  for some integer  $k$ . Consider

$$(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^k = \begin{pmatrix} (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k & c_1 & \dots & c_{n-1} \\ 0 & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k & \dots & c_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k \end{pmatrix} \in J$$

and

$$(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{(n-1)k} = \begin{pmatrix} (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{(n-1)k} & d_1 & \dots & d_{n-1} \\ 0 & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{(n-1)k} & \dots & d_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{(n-1)k} \end{pmatrix} \in J.$$

By the induction hypothesis all  $d_i$ 's, except  $d_{n-1}$ , are in  $I_0$ . Let  $x = (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^k d_{n-1} + c_1 d_{n-2} + \dots + c_{n-1} (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{(n-1)k}$ . Hence

$$(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{nk} = \begin{pmatrix} (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{nk} & y_1 & \dots & x \\ 0 & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{nk} & \dots & y_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{nk} \end{pmatrix} \in J,$$

since  $(a_0^i \alpha^i (b_0^j))^{nk}$ ,  $x$  all  $y_i$ 's are in  $I_0$ .

Proposition 2.1 is proved.

**Theorem 2.1.**  $I_0$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $J$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $f(y) = A_0 + A_1 y + \dots + A_m y^m$ ,  $g(y) = B_0 + B_1 y + \dots + B_t y^t \in \frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}[y]$ , such that  $f(y)g(y) \in J[y]$ . Let

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a_0^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_0^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b_0^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_0^j \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, t$ . Let  $f_0 = a_0^0 + a_0^1 y + \dots + a_0^m y^m$  and  $g_0 = b_0^0 + b_0^1 y + \dots + b_0^t y^t$ . Then  $f_0 g_0 \in I_0[y]$ . Since  $I_0$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, there exists  $k > 0$ , such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i b_0^j)^k \in I_0$  for each  $i, j$ . Then  $(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{nk} \in J$  for all  $i, j$ , by Proposition 2.1. Therefore  $J$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Clear.

Theorem 2.1 is proved.

It can be simply proved if  $I$  be an ideal of ring  $R$ , then  $T_n(I)$  will also be an ideal of ring  $T_n(R)$ , where  $T_n(I)$  is an upper triangle matrix. By the following example we show that  $T_2(p\mathbb{Z})$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $p\mathbb{Z}$  be a prime ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\alpha: p\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow p\mathbb{Z}$  be an endomorphism. Then  $T_2(p\mathbb{Z})$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

Let

$$\gamma(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_0^i & \gamma_1^i \\ 0 & \gamma_2^i \end{pmatrix} x^i, \quad \beta(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0^j & \beta_1^j \\ 0 & \beta_2^j \end{pmatrix} x^j \in T_2(\mathbb{Z})[x],$$

such that  $\gamma(x)\beta(x) \in T_2(p\mathbb{Z})[x]$ . Let

$$\gamma(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_0(x) & \gamma_1(x) \\ 0 & \gamma_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0(x) & \beta_1(x) \\ 0 & \beta_2(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_0(x) & \gamma_1(x) \\ 0 & \gamma_2(x) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0(x) & \beta_1(x) \\ 0 & \beta_2(x) \end{pmatrix} \in T_2(p\mathbb{Z})[x],$$

and hence we have

$$\gamma_0(x)\beta_0(x) \in p\mathbb{Z}[x],$$

$$\gamma_0(x)\beta_1(x) + \gamma_1(x)\beta_2(x) \in p\mathbb{Z}[x],$$

$$\gamma_2(x)\beta_2(x) \in p\mathbb{Z}[x].$$

Since  $p\mathbb{Z}[x]$  is a prime ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , two cases happen for polynomials,

*Case 1.*  $\gamma_0(x), \gamma_1(x), \gamma_2(x) \in p\mathbb{Z}[x]$ , therefore

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_0^i & \gamma_1^i \\ 0 & \gamma_2^i \end{pmatrix} \alpha^i \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0^j & \beta_1^j \\ 0 & \beta_2^j \end{pmatrix} \in T_2(p\mathbb{Z}).$$

*Case 2.*  $\gamma_0(x), \beta_2(x) \in p\mathbb{Z}[x]$ , therefore

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_0^i & \gamma_1^i \\ 0 & \gamma_2^i \end{pmatrix} \alpha^i \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0^j & \beta_1^j \\ 0 & \beta_2^j \end{pmatrix} \in T_2(p\mathbb{Z}).$$

Thus  $T_2(p\mathbb{Z})$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

Let  $\alpha$  be an endomorphism of a ring  $R$ ,  $M_n(R)$  be the  $n \times n$  full matrix ring over  $R$  and  $\bar{\alpha}: M_n(R) \rightarrow M_n(R)$  defined by  $\bar{\alpha}((a_{ij})) = (\alpha(a_{ij}))$ . Then  $\bar{\alpha}$  is an endomorphism of  $M_n(R)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.**  $I_0$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $J$  is a weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $f(y) = A_0 + A_1y + \dots + A_p y^p$ ,  $g(y) = B_0 + B_1y + \dots + B_q y^q \in \frac{R[x]}{(x^n)}[y; \bar{\alpha}]$  satisfying  $f(y)g(y) \in J[y]$ , where

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a^i & a_{12}^i & a_{1n}^i & \dots & a_{1n}^i \\ 0 & a^i & a_{23}^i & \dots & a_{2n}^i \\ 0 & 0 & a^i & \dots & a_{3n}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a^i \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b^j & b_{12}^j & b_{13}^j & \dots & b_{1n}^j \\ 0 & b^j & b_{23}^j & \dots & b_{2n}^j \\ 0 & 0 & b^j & \dots & b_{3n}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & b^j \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, p$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, q$ . Let  $f_0 = a_0^0 + a_0^1 y + \dots + a_0^p y^p$  and  $g_0 = b_0^0 + b_0^1 y + \dots + b_0^q y^q$ . Then  $f_0 g_0 \in I_0[y]$ . Since  $I_0$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, there exists  $k > 0$ , such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i(b_0^j))^k \in I_0$  for each  $i, j$ . Then  $(A_i \bar{\alpha}^i(B_j))^{nk} \in J$  for all  $i, j$ , by Proposition 2.1 and  $\bar{\alpha}((a_{ij})) = (\alpha(a_{ij}))$ . Therefore  $J$  is a weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Clear.

Theorem 2.2 is proved.

For the case of weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal, we have the following result.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $\alpha$  be an endomorphism of a ring  $R$  and  $\alpha^t = 1_R$  for some positive integer  $t$ . Then  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $I[x]$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.*

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume that  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal. Suppose that  $p(y) = f_0(x) + f_1(x)y + \dots + f_m(x)y^m$  and  $q(y) = g_0(x) + g_1(x)y + \dots + g_n(x)y^n$  are in  $R[x][y; \alpha]$  with  $p(y)q(y) \in I[x][y; \alpha]$ . We also let  $f_i(x) = a_{i0} + a_{i1}x + \dots + a_{i\omega_i}x^{\omega_i}$  and  $g_j(x) = b_{j0} + b_{j1}x + \dots + b_{j\nu_j}x^{\nu_j}$  for any  $0 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n$ , where  $a_{i0}, a_{i1}, \dots, a_{i\omega_i}, b_{j0}, b_{j1}, \dots, b_{j\nu_j} \in R$ . We claim that  $f_i(x)\alpha^i(g_j(x)) \in \sqrt{I[x]}$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . Take a positive integer  $k$  such that  $k > \deg(f_0(x)) + \deg(f_1(x)) + \dots + \deg(f_m(x)) + \deg(g_0(x)) + \deg(g_1(x)) + \dots + \deg(g_n(x))$ , where the degree is as a polynomials in  $R[x]$  and the degree of the zero polynomial is taken to be 0. Since  $p(y)q(y) \in I[x][y; \alpha]$ , we have

$$f_0(x)g_0(x) \in I[x],$$

$$f_0(x)g_1(x) + f_1(x)\alpha(g_0(x)) \in I[x],$$

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$$f_m(x)\alpha^m(g_n(x)) \in I[x].$$

Now put

$$f(x) = f_0(x^t) + f_1(x^t)x^{tk+1} + f_2(x^t)x^{2tk+2} + \dots + f_m(x^t)x^{mtk+m},$$

$$g(x) = g_0(x^t) + g_1(x^t)x^{tk+1} + g_2(x^t)x^{2tk+2} + \dots + g_n(x^t)x^{ntk+n}.$$

Note that  $\alpha^t = 1_R$ , then  $f(x)g(x) = f_0(x^t)g_0(x^t) + (f_0(x^t)g_1(x^t) + f_1(x^t)\alpha(g_0(x^t)))x^{tk+1} + \dots + f_m(x^t)\alpha^m(g_n(x^t))x^{(m+n)(tk+1)}$ . Using (1) and  $\alpha^t = 1_R$ , we have  $f(x)g(x) \in I[x; \alpha]$ . On the

other hand, from (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)g(x) &= \left( a_{00} + a_{01}x^t + \dots + a_{0\omega_0}x^{\omega_0 t} + a_{10}x^{tk+1} + a_{11}x^{tk+t+1} + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. \dots + a_{1\omega_1}x^{tk+\omega_1 t+1} + \dots + a_{m0}x^{mtk+m} + a_{m1}x^{mtk+t+m} + \dots + a_{m\omega_m}x^{mtk+\omega_m t+m} \right) \times \\ &\quad \times \left( b_{00} + b_{01}x^t + \dots + b_{0v_0}x^{v_0 t} + b_{10}x^{tk+1} + b_{11}x^{tk+t+1} + \dots + b_{1v_1}x^{tk+v_1 t+1} + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. \dots + b_{n0}x^{ntk+n} + b_{n1}x^{ntk+t+n} + \dots + b_{nv_n}x^{ntk+v_n t+n} \right) \in I[x; \alpha]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal and  $\alpha^t = 1_R$ , so  $a_{iu}\alpha^i(b_{jv}) = a_{iu}\alpha^{itk+ut+i}(b_{jv}) \in \sqrt{I}$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $u \in \{0, 1, \dots, \omega_0, \dots, \omega_m\}$ ,  $v \in \{0, 1, \dots, v_0, \dots, v_n\}$ . So we have  $f_i(x^t)\alpha^i(g_j(x^t)) \in \sqrt{I[x]}$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . Now it is easy to see that  $f_i(x)\alpha^i(g_j(x)) \in \sqrt{I[x]}$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . Hence  $I[x]$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz. ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Obviously, if  $I[x]$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, then  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.

Theorem 2.3 is proved.

Using Theorem 2.3, we have the following result.

**Corollary 2.1.** *Let  $R$  be a ring. Then  $R$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz if and only if  $R[x]$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.*

Before stating Proposition 2.3, we need the following.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Suppose that there exists a classical right quotient ring  $Q$  of a ring  $R$  consisting of central elements. If  $I$  is IFP, then  $QI$  is IFP.*

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha\beta \in QI$  with  $\alpha = u^{-1}a$ ,  $\beta = v^{-1}b$  in  $Q$  such that  $u, v \in R$  and  $a, b \in R$ . Since  $Q$  is contained in the center of  $R$ , we have  $(uv)^{-1}ab = (u^{-1}v^{-1})ab = u^{-1}av^{-1}b = \alpha\beta \in QI$ , so  $ab \in I$ , and hence  $arb \in I$  for all  $r \in R$  because  $I$  is IFP. Now for  $\gamma = \omega^{-1}r$  with  $\omega \in R$  and  $r \in R$ ,  $\alpha\gamma\beta = (u\omega v)^{-1}arb \in QI$ . Therefore  $QI$  is IFP.

Proposition 2.2 is proved.

A ring  $R$  is called *right Ore* if given  $a, b \in R$  with  $b$  regular there exist  $a_1, b_1 \in R$  with  $b_1$  regular such that  $ab_1 = ba_1$ . It is a well-known fact that  $R$  is a right Ore ring if and only if there exists a classical right quotient ring of  $R$ .

Let  $\alpha$  be an automorphism of a ring  $R$ . Suppose that there exists the classical left quotient  $Q$  of  $R$ . Then for any  $b^{-1}a \in Q$ , where  $a, b \in R$  with  $b$  regular the induced map  $\bar{\alpha}: Q(R) \rightarrow Q(R)$  defined by  $\bar{\alpha}(b^{-1}a) = (\alpha(b))^{-1}\alpha(a)$  is also an automorphism.

**Proposition 2.3.** *Suppose that there exists the classical left quotient  $Q$  of a ring  $R$ . If  $I$  is IFP, then  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz if and only if  $QI$  is weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz.*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz. Let  $f(x) = s_0^{-1}a_0 + s_1^{-1}a_1x + \dots + s_m^{-1}a_mx^m$  and  $g(x) = t_0^{-1}b_0 + t_1^{-1}b_1x + \dots + t_n^{-1}b_nx^n \in QI[x; \bar{\alpha}]$  such that  $f(x)g(x) \in QI[x]$ . Let  $C$  be a left denominator set. There exist  $s, t \in C$  and  $a'_i, b'_j \in R$  such that  $s_i^{-1}a_i = s^{-1}a'_i$  and  $t_j^{-1}b_j = t^{-1}b'_j$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$  and  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Then  $s^{-1}(a'_0 + a'_1x + \dots + a'_mx^m)t^{-1}(b'_0 + b'_1x + \dots + b'_nx^n) \in QI[x]$ . It follows that  $(a'_0 + a'_1x + \dots + a'_mx^m)t^{-1}(b'_0 + b'_1x + \dots + b'_nx^n) \in QI[x]$ . Thus  $(a'_0t^{-1} + a'_1(\alpha(t))^{-1}x + \dots + a'_m(\alpha^m(t))^{-1}x^m)(b'_0 + b'_1x + \dots + b'_nx^n) \in QI[x]$ . For  $a'_i(\alpha^i(t))^{-1}$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , there exist  $t' \in C$  and  $a''_i \in R$  such that  $a'_i(\alpha^i(t))^{-1} = t'^{-1}a''_i$ . Hence

$t'^{-1}(a''_0 + a''_1x + \dots + a''_m x^m)(b'_0 + b'_1x + \dots + b'_n x^n) \in QI[x]$ . We have that  $(a''_0 + a''_1x + \dots + a''_m x^m)(b'_0 + b'_1x + \dots + b'_n x^n) \in I[x]$ . Since  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, so  $a''_i \alpha^i(b'_j) \in \sqrt{I}$  for all  $i$  and  $j$ . Suppose that  $(a''_i \alpha^i(b'_j))^{n_{ij}} \in I$ . Since  $I$  is IFP,  $QI$  is IFP. Then  $(t'^{-1}(a''_i \alpha^i(b'_j)))^{n_{ij}} \in QI$ . So  $(a'_i \bar{\alpha}^i(t^{-1}b'_j))^{n_{ij}} = (a'_i (\alpha^i(t))^{-1} \alpha^i(b'_j))^{n_{ij}} = ((t'^{-1}a''_i) \alpha^i(b'_j))^{n_{ij}} \in QI$ . Similarly we have  $(s_i^{-1}a'_i)(\bar{\alpha}^i(t_j^{-1}b'_j))^{n_{ij}} = (s_i^{-1}a'_i)(\alpha^i(t_j^{-1}b'_j))^{n_{ij}} \in QI$ . Therefore  $QI$  is weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz. The converse is clear.

Proposition 2.3 is proved.

We study the relationship between ideals of  $R$  which are weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz with some ideals of the ring  $R_n(R)$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $I, I_{ij}$  be ideals of  $R$  such that  $I \subseteq I_{ij} \subseteq I_{is}$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq s \leq n$ , and  $I_{pq} \subseteq I_{lq}$  for  $q = 3, \dots, n, 2 \leq l \leq p \leq n$ . Then*

$$J = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a \end{array} \right) \middle| a \in I, a_{ij} \in I_{ij} \right\}$$

is an ideal of  $R_n(R)$ .

**Proof.** It is straightforward.

In Proposition 2.4 and Theorem 2.4,  $I$  and  $J$  are ideals that mentioned in Lemma 2.2.

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let*

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b^j \end{pmatrix} \in R_n(R)$$

such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i(b_0^j))^k \in I$  for any  $i, j$  and some integer  $k$ . Then  $(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^{nk} \in J$ .

**Proof.** We proceed by induction on  $n$ . Let  $n = 2$ . For a positive integer  $k$ ,

$$(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^k = \begin{pmatrix} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k & c \\ 0 & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k \end{pmatrix}$$

and that

$$(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^{2k} = \begin{pmatrix} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{2k} & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k c + c (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k \\ 0 & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{2k} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence  $(A_i \alpha^i(B_j)) \in J$ , since  $(a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{2k}, (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k c + c (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k \in I$ . Now, let

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a^i \end{pmatrix} \in R_n(R)$$



and

$$B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b^j \end{pmatrix} \in R_n(R)$$

such that  $(a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k \in I$  for some integer  $k$ . Consider

$$(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^k = \begin{pmatrix} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k & c_1 & \dots & c_{n-1} \\ 0 & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k & \dots & c_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k \end{pmatrix} \in J$$

and

$$(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^{(n-1)k} = \begin{pmatrix} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{(n-1)k} & b_1 & \dots & d_{n-1} \\ 0 & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{(n-1)k} & \dots & d_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{(n-1)k} \end{pmatrix} \in J,$$

by the induction hypothesis all  $d_i$ 's, except  $d_{n-1}$ , are in  $I$ . Let  $x = (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^k d_{n-1} + c_1 d_{n-2} + \dots + c_{n-1} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{(n-1)k}$ . Hence

$$(A_i \alpha^i(B_j))^{nk} = \begin{pmatrix} (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{nk} & y_1 & \dots & x \\ 0 & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{nk} & \dots & y_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & (a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{nk} \end{pmatrix} \in J,$$

since  $(a^i \alpha^i(b^j))^{nk}$ ,  $x$  all  $y_i$ 's are in  $I$ .

Proposition 2.4 is proved.

**Theorem 2.4.**  *$I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $J$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.*

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $f(y) = A_0 + A_1 y + \dots + A_m y^m$ ,  $g(y) = B_0 + B_1 y + \dots + B_t y^t \in R_n(R)$ , such that  $f(y)g(y) \in J[y]$ . Let

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^i & a_1^i & \dots & a_{n-1}^i \\ 0 & a_0^i & \dots & a_{n-2}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_0^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_0^j & b_1^j & \dots & b_{n-1}^j \\ 0 & b_0^j & \dots & b_{n-2}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_0^j \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m, j = 0, 1, \dots, t$ . Let  $f_0 = a_0^0 + a_0^1 y + \dots + a_0^m y^m$  and  $g_0 = b_0^0 + b_0^1 y + \dots + b_0^t y^t$ . Then  $f_0 g_0 \in I[y]$ . Since  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, there exists  $k > 0$ , such that  $(a_0^i \alpha^i b_0^j)^k \in I$  for each  $i, j$ . Then  $(A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{nk} \in J$  for all  $i, j$ , by Proposition 2.4. Therefore  $J$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Clear.

Theorem 2.4 is proved.

**Corollary 2.2.** *A ring  $R$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz if and only if for any positive integer  $n$ ,  $R_n(R)$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.*

**Proof.** It follows from Theorem 2.4.

Now, we prove the Theorem 2.4 for  $\bar{\alpha}: M_n(R) \rightarrow M_n(R)$ .

**Theorem 2.5.**  *$I$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if  $J$  is a weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz ideal.*

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $f(y) = A_0 + A_1 y + \dots + A_p y^p$ ,  $g(y) = B_0 + B_1 y + \dots + B_q y^q \in R_n(R)$  satisfying  $f(y)g(y) \in J[y]$ , where

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a^i & a_{12}^i & a_{1n}^i & \dots & a_{1n}^i \\ 0 & a^i & a_{23}^i & \dots & a_{2n}^i \\ 0 & 0 & a^i & \dots & a_{3n}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a^i \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b^j & b_{12}^j & b_{13}^j & \dots & b_{1n}^j \\ 0 & b^j & b_{23}^j & \dots & b_{2n}^j \\ 0 & 0 & b^j & \dots & b_{3n}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & b^j \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, p, j = 0, 1, \dots, q$ . Let  $f_0 = a_0^0 + a_0^1 y + \dots + a_0^p y^p$  and  $g_0 = b_0^0 + b_0^1 y + \dots + b_0^q y^q$ . Then  $f_0 g_0 \in I[y]$ . Since  $I$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, there exists  $k > 0$ , such that  $(a^i \alpha^i (b^j))^k \in I$  for each  $i, j$ . Then  $(A_i \bar{\alpha}^i (B_j))^{nk} \in J$  for all  $i, j$ , by Proposition 2.4, and  $\bar{\alpha}(a_{ij}) = (\alpha(a_{ij}))$ . Therefore  $J$  is a weak  $\bar{\alpha}$ -skew Armendariz ideal.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Clear.

Theorem 2.5 is proved.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $I, J$  be ideals of  $R$ . If  $I \subseteq \sqrt{J}$  and  $\frac{I+J}{I}$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz, then  $J$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal.*

**Proof.** Let  $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i x^i, g(x) = \sum_{j=0}^t b_j x^j \in R[x]$  such that  $f(x)g(x) \in J[x]$ . Then

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^m \bar{a}_i x^i\right) \left(\sum_{j=0}^t \bar{b}_j x^j\right) \in \frac{I+J}{I}[x].$$

Thus  $(\bar{a}_i \alpha^i \bar{b}_j)^{n_{ij}} \in \frac{I+J}{I}$  for some positive integer  $n_{ij}$ . Hence  $(a_i \alpha^i b_j)^{n_{ij}} \in I+J$ , and so  $(a_i \alpha^i b_j)^{n_{ij}} \in J$ , since  $I \subseteq \sqrt{J}$ . Therefore  $J$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.

Theorem 2.6 is proved.

The following is an immediate corollary of Theorem 2.6.

**Corollary 2.3.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $I$  an ideal of  $R$  such that  $\frac{R}{I}$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz. If  $I \subseteq \text{nil}(R)$ , then  $R$  is weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz.*

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $I_{rt}$  be ideals of  $R$  such that  $I_{rt} \subseteq I_{rs}$  for  $1 \leq r \leq t \leq s \leq n$ , and  $I_{pq} \subseteq I_{lq}$  for  $q = 2, \dots, n$ ,  $1 \leq l \leq p \leq n$ . Then

$$J = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn} \end{array} \right) \mid a_{rt} \in I_{rt}, \quad 1 \leq r, \quad t \leq n \right\}$$

is an ideal of  $T_n(R)$ .

**Proof.** It is straightforward.

In Corollaries 2.4 and 2.5  $I_{rt}^s$  are ideals that mentioned in Lemma 2.3. By a similar argument as used in the proof of Proposition 2.1 and Theorem 2.1, one can prove Corollaries 2.4 and 2.5.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let

$$A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^i & a_{12}^i & \dots & a_{1n}^i \\ 0 & a_{22}^i & \dots & a_{2n}^i \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn}^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11}^j & b_{12}^j & \dots & b_{1n}^j \\ 0 & b_{22}^j & \dots & b_{2n}^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_{nn}^j \end{pmatrix} \in T_n(R)$$

such that  $(a_{rr}^i \alpha^i (b_{rr}^j))^k \in I_{rr}$  for some positive integer  $k$  and  $r = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

$$((A_i \alpha^i (B_j))^{2k+1})^{n-1} \in J.$$

**Corollary 2.5.**  $J$  is a weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal if and only if all  $I_{rr}$  are weak  $\alpha$ -skew Armendariz ideal for  $r = 1, \dots, n$ .

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