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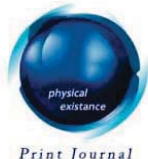
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## I. INTRODUCTION

In 1892, Corrado Segre (1860-1924) published a paper [9] in which he treated an infinite set of Algebras whose elements he called bicomplex numbers, tricomplex numbers, ..., n-complex numbers. A number which can be expressed in the form of  $x_1 + i_1 x_2 + i_2 x_3 + i_1 i_2 x_4$ ,  $i_p^2 = -1$ , for all  $p=1, 2$  and  $i_1 i_2 = i_2 i_1$  as well as  $x_1, \dots, x_4$  are real numbers, is called a bicomplex number. Segre showed that every bicomplex number  $z_1 + i_2 z_2$  can be represented as the complex combination

$$(z_1 - i_1 z_2) \left[ \frac{1 + i_1 i_2}{2} \right] + (z_1 + i_1 z_2) \left[ \frac{1 - i_1 i_2}{2} \right]$$

Shrivastava [10] introduced the notations  ${}^1\xi$  and  ${}^2\xi$  for the idempotent components of the bicomplex number  $\xi = z_1 + i_2 z_2$ , so that

$$\xi = {}^1\xi \cdot \frac{1 + i_1 i_2}{2} + {}^2\xi \cdot \frac{1 - i_1 i_2}{2}$$

Michiji Futagawa seems to have been the first to consider the theory of functions of a bicomplex variable [2, 3] in 1928 and 1932.

The hyper complex system of Ringleb [8] is more general than the Algebras; he showed in 1933 that Futagawa system is a special case of his own.

In 1953 James D. Riley published a paper [7] entitled "Contributions to theory of functions of a bicomplex variable".

In the entire work, the symbols  $C_2$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_0$  denote the set of all bicomplex, complex and real numbers respectively.

In  $C_2$ -besides 0 and 1- there are exactly two non-trivial idempotent elements denoted as  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  and defined as

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$$e_1 = \frac{1+i_1i_2}{2} \text{ and } e_2 = \frac{1-i_1i_2}{2}$$

Obviously  $(e_1)^n = e_1$ ,  $(e_2)^n = e_2$

$$e_1 + e_2 = 1, e_1.e_2 = 0$$

Every bicomplex number  $\xi$  has unique idempotent representation as complex combination of  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  as follows

$$\xi = z_1 + i_2 z_2 = (z_1 - i_1 z_2)e_1 + (z_1 + i_1 z_2)e_2$$

The complex numbers  $(z_1 - i_1 z_2)$  and  $(z_1 + i_1 z_2)$  are called idempotent component of  $\xi$ , and are denoted by  ${}^1\xi$  and  ${}^2\xi$  respectively (cf. Srivastava [10]).

Thus  $\xi = {}^1\xi e_1 + {}^2\xi e_2$

The idempotent representation is perfectly consistent with the Algebraic structure of  $C_2$  in the following sense

$$\begin{aligned} \xi \pm \eta &= ({}^1\xi e_1 + {}^2\xi e_2) \pm ({}^1\eta e_1 + {}^2\eta e_2) \\ &= ({}^1\xi \pm {}^1\eta) e_1 + ({}^2\xi \pm {}^2\eta) e_2 \end{aligned}$$

So that  ${}^1(\xi \pm \eta) = {}^1\xi \pm {}^1\eta$  and  ${}^2(\xi \pm \eta) = {}^2\xi \pm {}^2\eta$

$$\begin{aligned} a.\xi &= a.({}^1\xi e_1 + {}^2\xi e_2) \\ &= (a.{}^1\xi) e_1 + (a.{}^2\xi) e_2 \end{aligned}$$

So that  ${}^1(a.\xi) = a.{}^1\xi$  and  ${}^2(a.\xi) = a.{}^2\xi$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi.\eta &= ({}^1\xi e_1 + {}^2\xi e_2).({}^1\eta e_1 + {}^2\eta e_2) \\ &= ({}^1\xi.{}^1\eta) e_1 + ({}^2\xi.{}^2\eta) e_2 \end{aligned}$$

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$\xi / \eta = ({}^1\xi / {}^1\eta) e_1 + ({}^2\xi / {}^2\eta) e_2$ ; provided  $\eta \notin O_2$

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where  $O_2 =$  set of all singular element in  $C_2$

#### a) Singular elements and Norm of a bicomplex number

There are infinite numbers of element in  $C_2$  which do not possess multiplicative inverse. A bicomplex number  $\xi = z_1 + i_2 z_2$  is singular iff  $|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 = 0$ . Evidently a nonzero bicomplex number  $\xi$  is singular if and only if either  ${}^1\xi = 0$  or  ${}^2\xi = 0$ . In fact  $C_2$  is not a field while  $C_1$  is a field.

The norm of a bicomplex number  $\xi$  is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \|\xi\| &= \|z_1 + i_2 z_2\| \\ &= \{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2\}^{1/2} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (|{}^1\xi|^2 + |{}^2\xi|^2) \right\}^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$C_2$  forms a modified Banach algebra. i.e. Banach algebra with modified consistency of the norm of product of two bicomplex number is less than or equal to  $\sqrt{2}$  time of product of their individual norm i.e.  $\|\xi\eta\| \leq \sqrt{2} \|\xi\| \|\eta\|$

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10. Srivastava, Rajiv K.: Bicomplex Numbers: Analysis and applications, Math. Student, 72 (1-4) 2003, 69-87.

b) *Some special properties and subsets of bicomplex space*

Every bicomplex number  $\xi$  possesses three types of conjugates called  $i_1$ -conjugate,  $i_2$ -conjugate and  $i_1i_2$ -conjugate corresponding to  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$  and  $i_1i_2$  independent vectors respectively represented by  $\bar{\xi}$ ,  $\xi^\sim$  and  $\xi^\#$ . Thus

$$\bar{\xi} = (x_1 - i_1 x_2) + i_2 (x_3 - i_1 x_4) = \bar{z}_1 + i_2 \bar{z}_2 = \binom{1}{2} \bar{\xi} e_1 + \binom{1}{2} \bar{\xi} e_2$$

$$\xi^\sim = (x_1 + i_1 x_2) - i_2 (x_3 + i_1 x_4) = z_1 - i_2 z_2 = \binom{2}{1} \xi e_1 + \binom{1}{2} \xi e_2$$

$$\xi^\# = (x_1 - i_1 x_2) - i_2 (x_3 - i_1 x_4) = \bar{z}_1 - i_2 \bar{z}_2 = \binom{1}{2} \bar{\xi} e_1 + \binom{2}{1} \bar{\xi} e_2$$

We shall use specific notations for some special subset of  $C_2$  that are given below.

$$C(i_1) = \{a + i_1 b : a, b \in C_0\}$$

$$C(i_2) = \{a + i_2 b : a, b \in C_0\}$$

$$H = \{a + i_1 i_2 b : a, b \in C_0\}$$

c) *Representation of bicomplex matrix*

A matrix 'A' whose entries are bicomplex numbers is called bicomplex matrix i.e.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{11} & \xi_{12} & \cdots & \xi_{1n} \\ \xi_{21} & \xi_{22} & \cdots & \xi_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \xi_{m1} & \xi_{m2} & \cdots & \xi_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \forall \xi_{pq} \text{ in } C_2, \quad 1 \leq p \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq q \leq n$$

According to three types of representation of a bicomplex number, there are three types of representation of a bicomplex matrix as real representation, complex representation and idempotent representation.

A square bicomplex matrix "A" is said to be non-singular if  $|A| \notin O_2$  otherwise the matrix will be singular.

## II. CERTAIN RESULTS ON BICOMPLEX MATRICES

a) *Algebraic structure and Inversion of Bicomplex matrices[1]*2.1.1 *Algebraic structure*

Let M be the set of all square and non-singular bicomplex matrices of order n then the set M with operations addition "+" coordinate wise, multiplication "×" is term by term multiplication as well as scalar multiplication "." is also coordinate wise, forms an algebra over the field of complex number.

2.1.2 *Determinant and Adjoint of a bicomplex matrix*

Let  $A = [\xi_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be the bicomplex square matrix of order n where n is the positive integer. The determinant of A is defined by

$$|A| = |\xi_{ij}|, \quad \xi_{ij} \in C_2$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \pm \xi_{1j^1} \xi_{2j^2} \cdots \xi_{nj^n}$$

where  $\pm$  sign is taken according to even and odd permutation of suffixes of  $\xi$ .

Let  $A = [\xi_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be a bicomplex square matrix and  $[\zeta_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  denote the co-factor matrix of  $A$  then the transpose of the matrix  $[\zeta_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  is defined as Adjoint of  $A$  and denoted by  $\text{Adj.}A$ .

Some Results-

- (a)  $|A| = |^1A| e_1 + |^2A| e_2$
- (b) If  $|A| \notin O_2 \Leftrightarrow |^1A| \neq 0 \ \& \ |^2A| \neq 0$
- (c)  $\text{Adj.}A = \text{Adj.}(^1A) e_1 + \text{Adj.}(^2A) e_2$

### 2.1.3 Inversion of Bicomplex matrix by two techniques

Anjali [1] has developed two techniques to determine the inverse of bicomplex matrix.

#### a. Adjoint technique

Let  $A = [\xi_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be a square and non-singular matrix whose elements are in  $C_2$  then Inverse of  $A$  is defined as

$$A^{-1} = \frac{A(\text{Adj}A)}{|A|}$$

#### b. Idempotent technique

Suppose  $M = {}^1M e_1 + {}^2M e_2 = [\xi_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be a square and nonsingular bicomplex matrix of order  $n$ . Let  $[z_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  and  $[w_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be the inverse of  ${}^1M$  and  ${}^2M$  respectively then Inverse of  $M$  is defined as

$$M^{-1} = [z_{ij}]_{n \times n} e_1 + [w_{ij}]_{n \times n} e_2 = [\eta_{ij}]_{n \times n} \text{ (say)}$$

### b) Hermitian and Skew-Hermitian matrix in $C_2$ [1]

#### 2.2.1 Tranjugate of a bicomplex matrix

Analogous to three types of conjugate element in  $C_2$  we have three types of conjugate of a matrix in  $C_2$  viz. are  $i_1$  conjugate matrix,  $i_2$  conjugate matrix and  $i_1 i_2$  conjugate matrix. The transpose of the conjugate matrix is called tranjugate of the matrix. There are three types of tranjugates of a matrix in  $C_2$ .

#### a. $i_1$ tranjugate of a bicomplex matrix

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be any bicomplex matrix and  $\bar{A}$  denotes the  $i_1$  conjugate of  $A$  obtained by taking  $i_1$  conjugate of each entry of  $A$ . Transposing  $\bar{A}$ , we get the tranjugate of  $A$ . Simply denoted by  $[\bar{A}]^T$  or  $A^{\theta_1}$

#### b. $i_2$ tranjugate of a bicomplex matrix

The  $i_2$  conjugate of a bicomplex matrix  $A$  denoted by  $\tilde{A}$  is the matrix obtained by taking  $i_2$  conjugate of each entry of  $A$ . On taking transpose of  $\tilde{A}$  then we obtain  $[\tilde{A}]^T$  which is known as  $i_2$  tranjugate of  $A$  and denoted by  $A^{\theta_2}$ .

#### c. $i_1 i_2$ tranjugate of a bicomplex matrix

The  $i_1 i_2$  conjugate of a bicomplex matrix  $A$  denoted by  $A^\#$  is the matrix obtained from  $A$  by taking  $i_1 i_2$  conjugate of each entry of  $A$ . On taking transpose of  $A^\#$ , we obtain  $[A^\#]^T$  which is known as  $i_1 i_2$  tranjugate of  $A$  and denoted by  $A^{\theta_3}$ .

Properties of a bicomplex matrix [1]-

For all 'k' in  $C_2$  and  $A, B$  of  $C_2^{n \times n}$  then

$$(1) \overline{[\bar{A}]} = A$$

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1. Anjali: Certain results on bicomplex matrices, M. Phil. Dissertation, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Agra (2011).

- (2)  $[\tilde{A}]^{\sim} = A$
- (3)  $[A^{\#}]^{\#} = A$
- (4)  $\overline{(A+B)} = \bar{A} + \bar{B}$
- (5)  $(A+B)^{\sim} = A^{\sim} + B^{\sim}$
- (6)  $(A+B)^{\#} = A^{\#} + B^{\#}$
- (7)  $\overline{kA} = \bar{k}\bar{A}$
- (8)  $[kA]^{\sim} = k^{\sim}.A^{\sim}$
- (9)  $[kA]^{\#} = k^{\#}.A^{\#}$
- (10)  $[\overline{[(\bar{A})^T]}]^T = A$
- (11)  $[\overline{[(\tilde{A})^T]^{\sim}}]^T = A$
- (12)  $[\overline{[(A^{\#})^T]^{\#}}]^T = A$
- (13)  $(\overline{kA})^T = \bar{k}.[\bar{A}]^T$
- (14)  $[[kA]^{\sim}]^T = k^{\sim}.[A^{\sim}]^T$
- (15)  $[[kA]^{\#}]^T = k^{\#}.[A^{\#}]^T$

### 2.2.2 Symmetric and Skew-symmetric matrix in $C_2$ [1]

A square bicomplex matrix "A" is symmetric if  $A^T = A$  or  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$  for all i, j and if  $A^T = -A$  or  $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$  for all i, j then it is called a skew symmetric matrix. In skew symmetric matrix all principal diagonal elements are zero.

### 2.2.3 Hermitian and Skew-Hermitian matrix in $C_2$

Since three types of conjugate elements exist in  $C_2$  and each conjugate will introduce Hermitian matrix, so that in  $C_2$ , there will be three types of Hermitian matrices.

#### a. $i_1$ -Hermitian matrix

A bicomplex square matrix A is said to be  $i_1$ -Hermitian matrix if  $A = [\bar{A}]^T$ . The element of the principal diagonal of  $i_1$ -Hermitian matrix are the member of  $C(i_2)$  i.e.  $i_2$ -complex number.

#### b. $i_2$ -Hermitian matrix

A bicomplex square matrix A is said to be  $i_2$ -Hermitian matrix if  $A = [\tilde{A}]^T$ .

The element of the principal diagonal of  $i_2$ -Hermitian matrix are the member of  $C(i_1)$  i.e.  $i_1$ -complex number.

#### c. $i_1i_2$ -Hermitian matrix

A bicomplex square matrix A is said to be  $i_1i_2$ -Hermitian matrix if  $A = [A^{\#}]^T$ .

The elements of the principal diagonal of  $i_1i_2$ -Hermitian matrix are the member of H (set of hyperbolic numbers).

There are three types of skew Hermitian matrix in  $C_2$ .

#### ➤ $i_1$ -Skew Hermitian matrix

A bicomplex square matrix A is said to be  $i_1$ -skew Hermitian matrix If  $A = -[\bar{A}]^T$ .

The element of the principal diagonal of  $i_1$ -skew Hermitian matrix are the member of the type  $i_1(s)$ ,  $s \in C(i_2)$ .

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➤  $i_1 i_2$ -Skew Hermitian matrix

A bicomplex square matrix  $A$  is said to be  $i_1 i_2$  - skew Hermitian matrix if  $A = -[A^\#]^T$  or  $(A^\#)^T = -A$ .

The elements of the principal diagonal of  $i_1 i_2$  - skew Hermitian matrix are the member of the type  $i_1(s)$ ,  $s \in H$

### III. STUDY OF BICOMPLEX MATRIX UNDER TRADITIONAL AND NEW SYSTEM

In this section we present the work which has been done by us. In this section we have studied Orthogonal and Unitary matrix in  $C_2$  and defined the new concept over the bicomplex matrix. A similar relation between two bicomplex matrices is also defined in this section.

#### a) Orthogonal and Unitary Bicomplex matrices

##### 3.1.1. Orthogonal Bicomplex matrix

Let  $A$  be any square and invertible bicomplex matrix then  $A$  is said to be orthogonal bicomplex matrix if

$$A^T A = I = A A^T$$

i.e.  $A^{-1} = A^T$

where  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A$  and  $I$  is the identity matrix.

##### 3.1.2 Unitary bicomplex matrices

Corresponding to three types of tranjugate of any bicomplex matrix, there are three types of bicomplex Unitary matrix.

##### a. $i_1$ Unitary matrix

Let  $A$  be any square bicomplex matrix which is invertible and  $\bar{A}$  denote the  $i_1$  conjugate of  $A$  and  $[\bar{A}]^T$  is the transpose of  $i_1$  conjugate of  $A$ . We shall use  $A^\theta$  in place of  $[\bar{A}]^T$  in entire work.

The matrix  $A$  is called  $i_1$  Unitary matrix if  $A^\theta A = I = A A^\theta$

i.e.  $A^{-1} = A^\theta$

Thus, the matrix  $[\zeta_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  is an  $i_1$  Unitary matrix if

$[\bar{\zeta}_{ji}]_{n \times n} \cdot [\zeta_{ij}]_{n \times n} = I_{n \times n}$ , where  $I_{n \times n}$  is the identity matrix.

##### b. $i_2$ Unitary matrix

Let  $A$  be any square bicomplex matrix which is invertible and  $A^\sim$  be the  $i_2$  conjugate of  $A$  and  $[A^\sim]^T$  be transpose of  $i_2$  conjugate matrix of  $A$  and we shall use  $A^{\theta_2}$  in place of  $[A^\sim]^T$  in entire work.

If  $A A^{\theta_2} = I = A^{\theta_2} A$

ie.  $A^{-1} = A^{\theta_2}$

Then  $A$  is called  $i_2$  Unitary matrix.

##### c. $i_1 i_2$ Unitary matrix

Let  $A$  be any square bicomplex matrix which is invertible and  $A^\#$  be the  $i_1 i_2$  conjugate of  $A$  and  $[A^\#]^T$  be transpose of  $i_1 i_2$  conjugate matrix of  $A$ . We shall use  $A^{\theta_3}$  in place of  $[A^\#]^T$  in entire work. If  $A A^{\theta_3} = I = A^{\theta_3} A$

i.e.  $A^{-1} = A^{\theta_3}$

then A is called  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrix.

*Remark:* If A is any real Unitary matrix then it will obviously be an  $i_1$  Unitary matrix,  $i_2$  Unitary matrix and  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrix.

### 3.1.3 Theorem

If A and B are two  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrices of same order then AB will be  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrix similarly  $i_1 AB$ ,  $i_2 AB$ ,  $i_1 i_2 AB$  will also be  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrices.

*Proof:*

By the definition of  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary matrix

$$A^{\theta_3} . A = I, \text{ similarly } B^{\theta_3} . B = I$$

$$\begin{aligned} (AB)^{\theta_3} . AB &= \{ {}^1(AB)e_1 + {}^2(AB)e_2 \}^{\theta_3} . AB \\ &= \{ {}^1(AB)^{\theta_3} e_1 + {}^2(AB)^{\theta_3} e_2 \} . AB \\ &= \left[ {}^1(B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3})e_1 + {}^2(B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3})e_2 \right] AB \\ &= (B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3}) . AB \\ &= B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3} . AB \\ &= B^{\theta_3} (A^{\theta_3} . A) B \\ &= B^{\theta_3} . I . B \quad (\because A \text{ is } i_1 i_2 \text{ unitary}) \\ &= B^{\theta_3} . B = I \quad (\because B \text{ is } i_1 i_2 \text{ unitary}) \end{aligned}$$

Now we find out the nature of  $i_1 AB$ ,  $i_2 AB$ ,  $i_1 i_2 AB$

Therefore

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (i_1 AB)^{\theta_3} . i_1 AB &= \bar{i}_1 B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3} . i_1 AB \\ &= B^{\theta_3} IB \\ &= I \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (i_2 AB)^{\theta_3} . i_2 AB &= \bar{i}_2 B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3} . i_2 AB \\ &= B^{\theta_3} IB \\ &= I \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (i_1 i_2 AB)^{\theta_3} . i_1 i_2 AB &= \bar{i}_1 \bar{i}_2 B^{\theta_3} A^{\theta_3} . i_1 i_2 AB \\ &= (-i_1)(-i_2) . i_1 i_2 B^{\theta_3} IB \\ &= I \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (3)$$

Proof of the theorem is complete.

*Remark:*

$$(AB)^{\theta_S} \neq B^{\theta_S} A^{\theta_S}, \quad \text{where } S=1,2$$

Therefore analogues of theorem 3.1.3 is not true for  $i_1$  Unitary and  $i_2$  Unitary matrices.

### 3.1.4 Theorem

The adjoint of  $i_1 i_2$  tranjugate of a bicomplex square matrix is equal to the  $i_1 i_2$  tranjugate of the adjoint of the matrix.

$$Adj(A^{\theta_3}) = (Adj A)^{\theta_3}$$



*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (Adj A)^{\theta_3} &= (Adj^1 A e_1 + Adj^2 A e_2)^{\theta_3} [by 2.1.2(c)] \\
 &= (Adj^1 A)^{\theta_3} e_1 + (Adj^2 A)^{\theta_3} e_2 \\
 &= Adj(^1 A^{\theta_3}) e_1 + Adj(^2 A^{\theta_3}) e_2 \\
 \therefore (Adj A)^{\theta} &= Adj(A^{\theta}), \text{ for } A \text{ in } C_1 \text{ therefore} \\
 (Adj A)^{\theta_3} &= Adj[(^1 A^{\theta_3}) e_1 + (^2 A^{\theta_3}) e_2] \\
 &= Adj(A^{\theta_3})
 \end{aligned}$$

*Remark:*

Since  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  conjugates of  $e_1$  is  $e_2$  and  $e_2$  is  $e_1$ , we get  $(Adj A)^{\theta_s} \neq Adj(A^{\theta_s})$  where  $S=1,2$

### 3.1.5 Theorem

Let A and B be two square bicomplex matrices of order n, such that  $|A| \notin O_2$  and  $|B| \notin O_2$ , then their product (AB) will be invertible, and the inverse of AB will be  $B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

*Proof:*

Since the bicomplex matrices A and B both are nonsingular i.e.  $|A| \notin O_2$  and  $|B| \notin O_2$ , that means

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A| &= |^1 A| e_1 + |^2 A| e_2 \notin O_2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow |^1 A| &\neq 0 \text{ and } |^2 A| \neq 0 \\
 \text{similarly } |B| &\neq 0 \text{ and } |^2 B| \neq 0 \\
 \Rightarrow |^1 A| \cdot |^1 B| &\neq 0 \text{ and } |^2 A| \cdot |^2 B| \neq 0 \\
 \Rightarrow (|^1 A| |^1 B|) e_1 &+ (|^2 A| |^2 B|) e_2 \notin O_2 \\
 \Rightarrow |^1 (AB)| e_1 &+ |^2 (AB)| e_2 \notin O_2 \\
 \Rightarrow |AB| &\notin O_2
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow AB$  is invertible.

The inverse of the matrix (AB) is  $(AB)^{-1}$  therefore

Further

$$\begin{aligned}
 (AB)^{-1} &= [^1 (AB) e_1 + ^2 (AB) e_2]^{-1} \\
 &= ^1 (AB)^{-1} e_1 + ^2 (AB)^{-1} e_2 \\
 &= (^1 B^{-1} ^1 A^{-1}) e_1 + (^2 B^{-1} ^2 A^{-1}) e_2 \text{ (since } (PQ)^{-1} = Q^{-1} P^{-1} \text{ in } C_1) \\
 &= [^1 B^{-1} e_1 + ^2 B^{-1} e_2] [^1 A^{-1} e_1 + ^2 A^{-1} e_2] \\
 &= B^{-1} A^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3.1.6 Theorem

Let A, B be two square bicomplex matrices then determinant of their product will be equal to product of their individual determinant.

*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 |AB| &= |^1 (AB)| e_1 + |^2 (AB)| e_2 \\
 &= (|^1 A| |^1 B|) e_1 + (|^2 A| |^2 B|) e_2 \\
 &= (|^1 A| e_1 + |^2 A| e_2) (|^1 B| e_1 + |^2 B| e_2) \\
 \Rightarrow |A \cdot B| &= |A| \cdot |B|
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3.1.7 Some Properties of bicomplex matrices

- (i) If  $A$  is any bicomplex square matrix of order  $n$  then  $\det A$  and the  $\det$  of transpose  $A$  are equal.
- (ii)  $A$  and  $B$  are two bicomplex matrices of order  $n$  such that  $B$  is obtained from interchanging any two row /column only of  $A$  then  $|A| = -|B|$ .
- (iii) If any one of the row/column in a square bicomplex matrix has each element in  $O_2$  then matrix will be singular or non - invertible.

Proofs of these results are straight forward.

#### b) Study under new system

If  $A$  is any bicomplex matrix, then it can be written as

$$A = A_0 + i_2 A_1, \text{ where } A_s \in C_1^{m \times n}, s = 0, 1$$

The  $i_2$  independent part and dependent part of bicomplex matrix  $A$  is denoted by  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  respectively. The matrices  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are known as complex component of matrix  $A$ .

We define a new binary composition “ $\odot$ ” between two arbitrary square biocomplex matrices  $A$  and  $B$  as follow

$$\forall A, B \in C_2^{n \times n} \text{ then}$$

$$A \odot B = (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \odot (B_0 + i_2 B_1)$$

$$= (A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1)$$

$$= (C_0 + i_2 C_1) \in C_2^{n \times n}, \text{ where } C_s \in C_1^{n \times n} \forall s = 0, 1$$

It is a new definition of product of two bicomplex matrices (specially) and the procedures of both, addition and scalar multiplication, will be the same as traditional system procedures.

Thus the three operations will be as follow

$$\forall A, B \in C_2^{n \times n}$$

$$“+” \rightarrow A + B = [A_0 + i_2 B] + [B_0 + i_2 B_1]$$

$$= [A_0 + B_0] + i_2 [A_1 + B_1]$$

$$“\odot” \rightarrow A \odot B = [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \odot [B_0 + i_2 B_1]$$

$$= A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1$$

$$\text{and “}\bullet\text{”} \rightarrow \alpha.A = \alpha [A_0 + i_2 A_1]$$

$$= \alpha A_0 + i_2 \alpha A_1$$

$$\xi.A = [\alpha + i_2 \beta]. [A_0 + i_2 A_1]$$

$$= \alpha A_0 + i_2 \alpha A_1 - \beta A_1 + i_2 \beta A_0$$

$$= \alpha A_0 - \beta A_1 + i_2 [\alpha A_1 + \beta A_0]$$

### 3.2.1 Relation between the bicomplex matrix and its complex component matrices

We define addition on the set  $C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$  as follow.

If  $(A_0, A_1)$  and  $(B_0, B_1)$  are two arbitrary element of  $C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$  then  $(A_0, A_1) + (B_0, B_1) = (A_0+B_0, A_1+B_1)$ . Further  $(A_0, A_1)$  and  $(B_0, B_1)$  are said to be equal if and only if  $A_0 = B_0$  and  $A_1 = B_1$ . The set  $C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$  is an abelian group w.r.t. addition '+'.  
 We define a function  $f: C_2^{m \times n} \rightarrow C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$   
 Such that  $f(A) = (A_0, A_1)$

### 3.2.2 Theorem

If  $f: C_2^{m \times n} \rightarrow C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$  is the function Such that  $f(A) = (A_0, A_1)$  then  $f$  is an on to isomorphism i.e.  $C_2^{m \times n} \cong C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$

*Proof:*

$f$  is one-one:

$$\forall A, B \in C_2^{m \times n}$$

$$\text{Let } f(A) = f(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow (A_0, A_1) = (B_0, B_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_0 = B_0 \text{ and } A_1 = B_1$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B$$

$f$  is onto:

Let  $(A_0, A_1)$  be the arbitrary element of  $C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$ .

Corresponding to  $(A_0, A_1)$  there exist a bicomplex matrix  $A = A_0 + i_2 A_1$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(A) &= f(A_0 + i_2 A_1) \\ &= (A_0, A_1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A$  is the preimage of  $(A_0, A_1)$  in  $C_2^{m \times n}$ .

$f$  is homomorphism:

$$\forall A, B \in C_2^{m \times n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(A+B) &= f[(A_0 + B_0) + i_2 (A_1 + B_1)] \\ &= (A_0 + B_0, A_1 + B_1) \\ &= [(A_0, A_1) + (B_0, B_1)] \\ &= f(A) + f(B) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f$  is an on to isomorphism i.e.  $C_2^{m \times n} \cong C_1^{m \times n} \times C_1^{m \times n}$

### 3.2.3 Theorem

Let  $M$  be the set of all square bicomplex matrix of order  $n$ . If we introduce the operation " $\odot$ " with set  $M$  over new system and binary operation addition "+" taken coordinate wise and scalar multiplication " $\bullet$ " is term by term then the structure  $[M, "+", "\bullet", "\odot"]$  forms an algebra with identity  $(I + i_2 I)$ .

*Proof:*

$$\forall A, B, C \in M^{n \times n}$$

therefore  $A = A_0 + i_2 A_1$ ,  $B = B_0 + i_2 B_1$ ,  $C = C_0 + i_2 C_1$

$(M, +)$  is an abelian group:

Closure:

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= [A_0 + i_2 A_1] + [B_0 + i_2 B_1] \\ &= [A_0 + B_0] + i_2 [A_1 + B_1] \in M \end{aligned}$$

Associativity:

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C \text{ (Hold)}$$

Additive identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall A \in M, A &= [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \exists \text{ an } (0 + i_2 0) \\ A + (0 + i_2 0) &= [A_0 + i_2 A_1] + [0 + i_2 0] \\ &= [A_0 + 0] + i_2 [A_1 + 0] \\ &= A_0 + i_2 A_1 = A \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(0 + i_2 0)$  is the additive identity.

Inverse property:

$\forall A \in M$ ,  $\exists -A \in M$ , such that

$$[A_0 + i_2 A_1] - [A_0 + i_2 A_1] = [A_0 - A_0] + i_2 [A_1 - A_1] = [0 + i_2 0]$$

Commutativity:

$$A + B = B + A \quad \forall A, B \in M$$

$[M, +, \odot]$  is ring structure:

Closure under new multiplication ' $\odot$ ':

$$\forall A, B \in M$$

$$A \odot B = (A_0 B_0) + i_2 (A_1 B_1) \in M$$

Associativity:

$$\begin{aligned} A \odot [B \odot C] &= [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \odot [(B_0 C_0) + i_2 (B_1 C_1)] \\ &= A_0 [B_0 C_0] + i_2 A_1 [B_1 C_1] \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Complex matrix are associative and  $A_s, B_s, C_s$  in  $C_1^{n \times n}$ ,  $\forall S = 0, 1$

$$\begin{aligned} A \odot [B \odot C] &= [A_0 B_0] C_0 + i_2 [A_1 B_1] C_1 \\ &= [(A_0 + i_2 A_1) \odot (B_0 + i_2 B_1)] \odot (C_0 + i_2 C_1) \\ &= [A \odot B] \odot C \end{aligned}$$

Distribution property:

$$\forall A, B, C \in M$$

$$A \odot [B + C] = [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \odot [(B_0 + C_0) + i_2 (B_1 + C_1)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= A_0 (B_0 + C_0) + i_2 A_1 [B_1 + C_1] \\
&= [A_0 B_0 + A_0 C_0] + i_2 [A_1 B_1 + A_1 C_1]
\end{aligned}$$

(Distributive laws for complex matrices)

$$\begin{aligned}
&= [A_0 B_0 + A_0 C_0] + [i_2 A_1 B_1 + i_2 A_1 C_1] \\
&= [A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1] + [A_0 C_0 + i_2 A_1 C_1] \\
&= A \odot B + A \odot C
\end{aligned}$$

Linear space:

Closed w.r.t scalar multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall \alpha \in C_0 \rightarrow \alpha.A &= \alpha [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \\
&= \alpha A_0 + \alpha i_2 A_1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha.A &= \alpha \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & \dots & z_{1n} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & \dots & z_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ z_{n1} & z_{n2} & \dots & z_{nn} \end{bmatrix} + i_2 \alpha \begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} & \dots & w_{1n} \\ w_{21} & w_{22} & \dots & w_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ w_{n1} & w_{n2} & \dots & w_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha z_{11} & \alpha z_{12} & \dots & \alpha z_{1n} \\ \alpha z_{21} & \alpha z_{22} & \dots & \alpha z_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha z_{n1} & \alpha z_{n2} & \dots & \alpha z_{nn} \end{bmatrix} + i_2 \begin{bmatrix} \alpha w_{11} & \alpha w_{12} & \dots & \alpha w_{1n} \\ \alpha w_{21} & \alpha w_{22} & \dots & \alpha w_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha w_{n1} & \alpha w_{n2} & \dots & \alpha w_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha z_{11} + i_2 \alpha w_{11} & \alpha z_{12} + i_2 \alpha w_{12} & \dots & \alpha z_{1n} + i_2 \alpha w_{1n} \\ \alpha z_{21} + i_2 \alpha w_{21} & \alpha z_{22} + i_2 \alpha w_{22} & \dots & \alpha z_{2n} + i_2 \alpha w_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha z_{n1} + i_2 \alpha w_{n1} & \alpha z_{n2} + i_2 \alpha w_{n2} & \dots & \alpha z_{nn} + i_2 \alpha w_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \in M.
\end{aligned}$$

Again

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall A \in M \text{ and } 1 \in C_0, 1.A &= 1.[A_0 + i_2 A_1] \\
&= 1.A_0 + i_2 1.A_1 \\
&= A_0 + i_2 A_1 = A
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall \alpha, \beta \in F, (\alpha + \beta)A &= (\alpha + \beta) [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \\
&= (\alpha + \beta)A_0 + i_2(\alpha + \beta)A_1 \\
&= (\alpha A_0 + \beta A_0) + i_2(\alpha A_1 + \beta A_1) \\
&= [\alpha A_0 + i_2 \alpha A_1] + [\beta A_0 + i_2 \beta A_1] \\
&= \alpha A + \beta A
\end{aligned}$$

$$\forall A, B \in M, \text{ and } \alpha \in F$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha [A + B] &= \alpha [(A_0 + B_0) + i_2 (A_1 + B_1)] \\
&= \alpha (A_0 + B_0) + i_2 \alpha (A_1 + B_1) \\
&= (\alpha A_0 + \alpha B_0) + i_2 (\alpha A_1 + \alpha B_1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \alpha A + \alpha B$$

$$(\alpha \beta) A = \alpha \beta (A_0) + i_2 \alpha \beta (A_1)$$

$$= \alpha (\beta A_0) + i_2 \alpha (\beta A_1)$$

$$= \alpha [\beta A_0 + i_2 \beta A_1]$$

$$= \alpha. [\beta. A]$$

Consistency (compatibility) between  $\odot$  and  $\bullet$ :

$$\forall A, B \in M, \text{ and } \alpha \in F$$

$$\alpha [A \odot B] = \alpha [(A_0 B_0) + i_2 (A_1 B_1)]$$

$$= \alpha (A_0 B_0) + i_2 \alpha (A_1 B_1)$$

$$= (\alpha A_0) B_0 + i_2 (\alpha A_1) B_1$$

$$= (\alpha A_0 + i_2 \alpha A_1) \odot (B_0 + i_2 B_1)$$

$$= (\alpha.A) \odot B$$

$$= (A_0 \alpha) B_0 + i_2 (A_1 \alpha) B_1$$

$$= A_0 (\alpha B_0) + i_2 A_1 (\alpha B_1)$$

$$= [A_0 + i_2 A_1] \odot [\alpha B_0 + i_2 \alpha B_1]$$

$$= A \odot (\alpha B)$$

Hence  $M$  (set of all square bicomplex matrix of order  $n$ ) is an algebra.  
Identity:

$A_0 + i_2 A_1 = A$ ,  $\exists (I + i_2 I)$  such that

$$[A_0 + i_2 A_1] \odot [I + i_2 I] = A_0 I + i_2 A_1 I = A = (I + i_2 I).A$$

$\Rightarrow (I + i_2 I)$  will be the identity under new system

Moreover for all  $\xi$  in  $C_2$

$$\xi. A = (z_1 + i_2 z_2) (A_0 + i_2 A_1)$$

$$= z_1 A_0 + i_2 z_1 A_1 + i_2 z_2 A_0 - z_2 A_1$$

### 3.2.4 Definition: New inversion of a square bicomplex matrix

Let  $A = A_0 + i_2 A_1 \in C_2^{n \times n}$  be given bicomplex matrix where  $A_0, A_1$  are complex matrix of same order if the inverse of  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  both exist then bicomplex matrix  $A$  is said to be invertible and inverse of  $A$  is written as  $A^- = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-$ , where  $A_0^-$  and  $A_1^-$  are the inverse of  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  respectively as well as  $A^-$  is the inverse of  $A$  or reciprocal of  $A$ .

### 3.2.5 Theorem

Let  $A$  be any square bicomplex matrix which is invertible in new system, then the inverse of the bicomplex matrix  $A$ , will be  $\left(\frac{\text{adj } A_0}{|A_0|}\right) + i_2 \left(\frac{\text{adj } A_1}{|A_1|}\right)$

*Proof:*

$$A = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

Let  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  both has inverse  $A_0^{-}$  and  $A_1^{-}$

Inverse of  $A = A^{-} = A_0^{-} + i_2 A_1^{-}$  (by definition)

Since  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  both are complex matrices therefore the inverse of  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are

$$\left(\frac{\text{adj } A_0}{|A_0|}\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{\text{adj } A_1}{|A_1|}\right) \text{ respectively}$$

$$\text{Thus } A^{-} = \left(\frac{\text{adj } A_0}{|A_0| \neq 0}\right) + i_2 \left(\frac{\text{adj } A_1}{|A_1| \neq 0}\right) \quad (4)$$

Next from here we shall use  $M$  in place of  $C_2^{n \times n}$

### 3.2.6 Some properties under new system

*Property: 1*

The multiplication is not commutative in general

$$\begin{aligned} A \odot B &= (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \odot (B_0 + i_2 B_1) \\ &= A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B \odot A &= (B_0 + i_2 B_1) \odot (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \\ &= B_0 A_0 + i_2 B_1 A_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } A \odot B = B \odot A$$

$$\Rightarrow A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1 = B_0 A_0 + i_2 B_1 A_1$$

$$\Rightarrow A_0 B_0 = B_0 A_0 \text{ and } A_1 B_1 = B_1 A_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Complex matrix is commutative which is contradicted.}$$

$$\Rightarrow A \odot B \neq B \odot A$$

Counter example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ -i & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} i & 3 \\ 2i & 5i \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } AB = \begin{bmatrix} i-2 & -2 \\ 1+4i & -7i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{but } BA = \begin{bmatrix} -2i & 5 \\ 2i+5 & -2+10i \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow AB \neq BA$$

*Property: 2*

$$\begin{aligned} (A \odot B)^T &= (A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1)^T \\ &= (A_0 B_0)^T + i_2 (A_1 B_1)^T \\ &= (B_0^T A_0^T) + i_2 (B_1^T A_1^T) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(A \ B)^T = B^T A^T$  true in  $C_1$

$$\text{Therefore } (A \odot B)^T = (B_0^T + i_2 B_1^T) \odot (A_0^T + i_2 A_1^T) = B^T \odot A^T$$

*Property: 3*

If A is any bicomplex square and invertible matrix whose inverse is  $A^-$  under new system then  $(A^-)^- = A$

*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned} (A^-)^- &= [(A_0 + i_2 A_1)]^- \\ &= (A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-) \quad (\because A^- = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-, \text{ by definition}) \\ &= (C_0 + i_2 C_1) \quad (\text{say } C_0 = A_0^- \text{ and } C_1 = A_1^-) \\ &= (C_0^- + i_2 C_1^-) \quad (\text{by using again definition}) \\ &= (A_0^-)^- + i_2 (A_1^-)^- \\ &= (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

*Property: 4*

$$\begin{aligned} (A^-)^k &= (A_0^- + A_1^-)^k \\ &= (A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-) \odot (A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-)^{k-1} \\ &= [(A_0^-)^2 + i_2 (A_1^-)^2] \odot (A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-)^{k-2} \\ &= [(A_0^-)^k + i_2 (A_1^-)^k] \quad (5) \\ &= (A_0^- A_0^- \dots k \text{ times}) + i_2 (A_1^- A_1^- \dots k \text{ times}) \\ &= (A_0 A_0 \dots k \text{ times})^- + i_2 (A_1 A_1 \dots k \text{ times})^- \\ &= (A_0^k)^- + i_2 (A_1^k)^- \\ &= (A^k)^- \end{aligned}$$

*Property: 5*

The inverse of the product of two bicomplex matrices A and B is equal to product of their inverses in reverse order

*Proof:*

Let

$\forall A, B \in M$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (A \odot B)^- &= [(A_0 + i_2 A_1) \odot (B_0 + i_2 B_1)]^- \\ &= [A_0 B_0 + i_2 A_1 B_1]^- \\ &= [A_0 B_0]^- + [A_1 B_1]^- \\ &= [B_0^- A_0^-] + i_2 [B_1^- A_1^-] \end{aligned}$$



(Since  $A_0, B_0, A_1$  and  $B_1$  are in  $C_1^{n \times n}$  and  $(A \ B)^{-} = B^{-} A^{-}$ )

$$= [B_0^{-} + i_2 B_1^{-}] \odot [A_0^{-} + i_2 A_1^{-}]$$

Therefore  $[(A \odot B)]^{-} = B^{-} \odot A^{-}$

### 3.2.7 Theorem

If  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  are the invertible bicomplex matrix then the inverse of product of  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ , will be equal to the individual product of their inverse in reverse order.

*Proof:*

Let  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  be the invertible bicomplex matrix then

$$\begin{aligned} & (A_1 \odot A_2 \odot A_3 \odot \dots \odot A_n)^{-} \\ &= [(A_{10} + i_2 A_{11}) \odot (A_{20} + i_2 A_{21}) \odot \dots \odot (A_{n0} + i_2 A_{n1})]^{-} \\ &= [(A_{10} A_{20} \dots A_{n0}) + i_2 (A_{11} A_{21} \dots A_{n1})]^{-} \\ &= [(A_{10} A_{20} \dots A_{n0})^{-} + i_2 (A_{11} A_{21} \dots A_{n1})^{-}] \\ &= (A_{n0}^{-} A_{n-10}^{-} \dots A_{10}^{-}) + (A_{n1}^{-} A_{n-11}^{-} \dots A_{11}^{-}) \\ &= (A_{n0}^{-} + i_2 A_{n1}^{-}) \odot (A_{n-10}^{-} + i_2 A_{n-11}^{-}) \odot \dots \odot (A_{10}^{-} + i_2 A_{11}^{-}) \\ &= (A_n^{-}) \odot (A_{n-1}^{-}) \dots \odot (A_1^{-}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus it is clear the inversion of the bicomplex matrix under new definition has the same fundamental properties as those under the traditional algebraic system.

*c) Some definitions and theorems related to bicomplex matrix in both systems*

#### 3.3.1 Idempotent bicomplex matrix

Let  $A$  be a square bicomplex matrix and if  $A^2 = A$ , then  $A$  is called the idempotent bicomplex matrix, obviously identity matrices in  $C_2$  will be idempotent matrix in their individual systems.

*Remark:*

The identity matrix is always idempotent bicomplex matrices in their own systems as well as the Null matrix is also idempotent matrix.

Example:

$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_1 \\ 2 & 2 \\ e_1 & e_1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the example of idempotent matrix.}$$

$$(2) \begin{bmatrix} \xi & {}^2\xi \\ {}^1\xi & {}^1\xi e_1 \end{bmatrix} \forall \xi \neq 0 \in C_2 \text{ is not idempotent matrix.}$$

$$(3) \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & 0 \\ 0 & e_1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is also an idempotent matrix.}$$

(4)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ i_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + i_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 6i_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is an idempotent matrix in new system.

### 3.3.2 Theorem

A is an idempotent bicomplex square matrix of order n if and only if both complex component matrixes  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are idempotent complex matrix simultaneously.

*Proof:*

$\because$  A is an idempotent matrix i.e. by definition  $A^2 = A$

$$\Leftrightarrow (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \odot (A_0 + i_2 A_1) = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^2 + i_2 A_1^2 = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^2 = A_0 \text{ and } A_1^2 = A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Both } A_0 \text{ and } A_1 \text{ are idempotent complex matrix.}$$

### 3.3.3 Involutory bicomplex matrix

Let A be any bicomplex square matrix if  $A^2 = I$  matrix then A is known as involutory bicomplex matrix. i.e. the inverse of the given matrix A will be itself.

Clearly the identity matrices will be involutory bicomplex matrices in their own systems.

*Remark:*

All idempotent bicomplex matrices which are not identity matrix will not be involutory.

Example:

$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} e_2 & e_1 \\ e_1 & e_2 \end{bmatrix}^2 = I$$

$$(2) \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 \\ e_2 & e_1 \end{bmatrix}^2 = I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### 3.3.4 Theorem

A is an involutory bicomplex matrix if and only if both complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  (under the new system) are involutory.

*Proof:*

By new definition of product of bicomplex matrix

i.e.  $A^2 = A_0^2 + i_2 A_1^2$ , where  $A_0, A_1 \in C_1$

$\because$  A is an involutory bicomplex matrix

$\therefore A^2 = I + i_2 I \rightarrow$  (identity under new system)

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^2 + i_2 A_1^2 = I + i_2 I$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^2 = I \text{ and } A_1^2 = I$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Both } A_0 \text{ and } A_1 \text{ are involutory.}$$

*Remark:*

Under new product definition  $(I + i_2 I)$  is always an involutory matrix i.e.

$$(I + i_2 I) \odot (I + i_2 I) = (I + i_2 I)$$

### 3.3.5 Similar bicomplex matrix

Let  $A, B \in M$  if  $\exists$  an invertible matrix  $P \in M$  such that

$A = P^{-1}BP$  then A and B are said to be similar bicomplex matrix and denoted by  $A \sim B$

If A and B are similar in new system then

$$A = P \bar{\odot} B \odot P \quad (6)$$

And if  $A, B \in C_1^{n \times n}$  then equation (6) will be equivalent to  $A = P_0 \bar{\odot} B \odot P_0$ , where  $P = P_0 + i_2 P_1$

### 3.3.6 Theorem

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two square bicomplex matrices, and an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $A = P^{-1}BP$  or  $A \sim B$  then

$$|A| = |B|$$

*Proof:*

$\because A = P^{-1}BP$ , where  $P$  is an invertible bicomplex matrix

Now  $|A| = |P^{-1}BP|$

$$\begin{aligned} &= |{}^1(P^{-1}BP)|_{e_1} + |{}^2(P^{-1}BP)|_{e_2} \\ &= |{}^1P^{-1}| |{}^1B| |{}^1P|_{e_1} + |{}^2P^{-1}| |{}^2B| |{}^2P|_{e_2} \\ &= |{}^1P^{-1}| |{}^1P| |{}^1B|_{e_1} + |{}^2P^{-1}| |{}^2P| |{}^2B|_{e_2} \\ &= |{}^1P^{-1}{}^1P| |{}^1B|_{e_1} + |{}^2P^{-1}{}^2P| |{}^2B|_{e_2} \\ &= |{}^1B|_{e_1} + |{}^2B|_{e_2} \end{aligned}$$

therefore  $|A| = |B|$

### 3.3.7 Theorem

The  $i_1 i_2$  tranjugate of inverse of a matrix  $A$  is equal to the inverse of  $i_1 i_2$  tranjugate of  $A$ . i.e.

$$(A^{-1})^{\theta_3} = (A^{\theta_3})^{-1}$$

*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned} (A^{-1}) &= {}^1A^{-1} e_1 + {}^2A^{-1} e_2 \\ (A^{-1})^{\theta_3} &= \left[ ({}^1A^{-1} e_1 + {}^2A^{-1} e_2)^{\#} \right]^T \\ &= \left( \overline{{}^1A^{-1}} \bar{e}_1 + \overline{{}^2A^{-1}} \bar{e}_2 \right)^T \\ &= \left( \overline{{}^1A^{-1}} \right)^T e_1 + \left( \overline{{}^2A^{-1}} \right)^T e_2 \\ &= \text{conj} \left( ({}^1A^T)^{-1} e_1 + \text{conj} \left( ({}^2A^T)^{-1} e_2 \right) \right) \\ &= \left( \overline{{}^1A^T} \right)^{-1} e_1 + \left( \overline{{}^2A^T} \right)^{-1} e_2 \\ \text{i.e. } (A^{-1})^{\theta_3} &= (A^{\theta_3})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

*Remark:*

Since  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  conjugates of  $e_1$  is  $e_2$  and  $e_2$  is  $e_1$  therefore this result is not true for  $S = 1, 2$  where  $(A^{-1})^{\theta_s} = (A^{\theta_s})^{-1}$ .

### 3.3.8 Theorem

In new system, the  $i_1$ tranjugate of inverse of a matrix  $A$  is equal to the inverse of  $i_1$  tranjugate of  $A$ . i.e.  $(A^-)^{\theta_1} = (A^{\theta_1})^-$

*Proof:*

$$(A^-)^{\theta_1} = \left[ \overline{(A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-)} \right]^T$$

$$(A^-)^{\theta_1} = \left[ \overline{(A_0^-)} \right]^T + i_2 \left[ \overline{(A_1^-)} \right]^T$$

$$(A^-)^{\theta_1} = (\overline{A_0^-})^T + i_2 (\overline{A_1^-})^T$$

$$(A^-)^{\theta_1} = (A^{\theta_1})^-$$

In this system this result is not valid for  $S = 2, 3$  where  $(A^-)^{\theta_s} = (A^{\theta_s})^-$ .

By above two theorems it is evident that the given bicomplex matrix has same property by taken different conjugate in both different system.

### 3.3.9 Theorem

$A$  will be an orthogonal bicomplex matrix in new system if and only if the complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are orthogonal complex matrices.

*Proof:*

Since  $A \in M$  is an orthogonal matrix.

Therefore

$$A^T = A^- \quad (7)$$

Since  $A$  can be express as the  $i_2$  combination of two complex matrices  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  as follow

$$A = (A_0 + i_2 A_1)$$

$$A^T = (A_0 + i_2 A_1)^T = A^- \text{ (where } A^- \text{ is the inverse of } A)$$

$$\text{And } A^- = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-$$

From equation (7) we have

$$(A_0 + i_2 A_1)^T = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^T + i_2 A_1^T = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^T = A_0^- \text{ and } A_1^T = A_1^-$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Both complex matrices } A_0 \text{ and } A_1 \text{ are orthogonal.}$$

The proof of theorem 3.3.9 is complete.

If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix in traditional system then

$$A^T = A^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow {}^1A^T e_1 + {}^2A^T e_2 = {}^1A^{-1} e_1 + {}^2A^{-1} e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow {}^1A^T = {}^1A^{-1} \text{ and } {}^2A^T = {}^2A^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Both idempotent component matrices are orthogonal.}$$

Hence  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix in traditional system if and only if both idempotent component matrices are orthogonal.

### 3.3.10 Theorem

$A$  will be an  $i_1$  Unitary bicomplex matrix if and only if the complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  of  $A$  are Unitary complex matrix but idempotent matrix  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  of  $A$  may or may not be Unitary.

*Proof:*

*Part-1<sup>st</sup>*

According to definition of  $i_1$  Unitary bicomplex matrix

$$A^{\theta_1} = [(A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{-}]^T = [A_0^{-} + i_2 A_1^{-}]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{A}_0^T + i_2 \bar{A}_1^T = A_0^{-} + i_2 A_1^{-}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{A}_0^T = A_0^{-} \text{ and } \bar{A}_1^T = A_1^{-}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0 \text{ and } A_1 \text{ are Unitary}$$

*Part-2<sup>nd</sup>*

Note that

$$({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)^{\theta_1} = ({}^1A^{-}) e_1 + ({}^2A^{-}) e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\bar{{}^1A} e_2 + \bar{{}^2A} e_1)^T = ({}^1A^{-}) e_1 + ({}^2A^{-}) e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\bar{{}^1A}^T e_2 + \bar{{}^2A}^T e_1) = ({}^1A^{-}) e_1 + ({}^2A^{-}) e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{{}^2A}^T = {}^1A^{-} \text{ and } \bar{{}^1A}^T = {}^2A^{-}$$

It is evident that if  $A$  is an  $i_1$  Unitary bicomplex matrix then idempotent matrix  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  of  $A$  will be Unitary complex matrix only if  $A$  is a complex matrix.

It is clear from here that both component  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  as well as  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  be an unitary complex matrices then matrix  $A$  will be different type of unitary bicomplex matrix that means it has shown the different nature of representations of  $A$ .

### 3.3.11 Theorem

Let  $A$  be an  $i_1$  Hermitian bicomplex matrix then the  $i_1$  tranjugate of both  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  will be  ${}^2A$  and  ${}^1A$  respectively as well as  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  both will be Hermitian complex matrix.

*Proof:*

*Part-1<sup>st</sup>*

Since  $A$  is  $i_1$  Hermitian  $\Rightarrow (\bar{A})^T = A$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\overline{{}^1A^{-} e_1 + {}^2A^{-} e_2})^T = ({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\bar{{}^1A} e_2 + \bar{{}^2A} e_1)^T = ({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{{}^2A}^T e_1 + \bar{{}^1A}^T e_2 = ({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ({}^2A^{\theta_1} = {}^1A) \text{ and } ({}^1A^{\theta_1} = {}^2A)$$

*Part-2<sup>nd</sup>*

$$A = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$(\overline{A_0 + i_2 A_1})^T = (\overline{A_0})^T + i_2 (\overline{A_1})^T$$

Since A is  $i_1$  Hermitian  $\Leftrightarrow (\bar{A})^T = A$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\overline{A_0})^T + i_2 (\overline{A_1})^T = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\overline{A_0})^T = A_0 \text{ and } (\overline{A_1})^T = A_1$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  Both complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  of A are Hermitian.

*3.3.12 Theorem*

Let A be an  $i_2$  Hermitian bicomplex matrix if and only if the transpose of  ${}^2A$  and  ${}^1A$  are  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  respectively as well as  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are symmetric and Skew – Symmetric bicomplex matrix respectively.

*Proof:*

*Part-1<sup>st</sup>*

By definition of  $i_2$  Hermitian in  $C_2$

$$[(A)^{\sim}]^T = A^{\theta_2} = A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ({}^1Ae_1 + {}^2Ae_2)^{\theta_2} = ({}^1Ae_1 + {}^2Ae_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow {}^1A^T e_2 + {}^2A^T e_1 = {}^1Ae_1 + {}^2Ae_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow {}^2A^T = {}^1A \text{ and } {}^1A^T = {}^2A$$

*Part- 2<sup>nd</sup>*

$$A = A_0 + i_2 A_1 \quad \forall A_s = C_1^{n \times n}, S=0,1$$

$$A^{\theta_2} = (A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\theta_2} = A_0^T - i_2 A_1^T$$

Since A is  $i_2$  Hermitian  $A^{\theta_2} = A$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^{\theta_2} = A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^T - i_2 A_1^T = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^T = A_0 \text{ and } A_1^T = -A_1$$

*3.3.13 Theorem*

A is a  $i_1 i_2$  Hermitian matrix if and only if  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  both idempotent component matrix of A will be Hermitian as well as the complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  of A will be Hermitian and Skew – Hermitian respectively.

*Proof:*

*Part-1<sup>st</sup>*

$\therefore$  A is  $i_1 i_2$  Hermitian

$$[A]^{\theta_3} = A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ({}^1Ae_1 + {}^2Ae_2)^{\theta_3} = {}^1Ae_1 + {}^2Ae_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow {}^1A^{\theta_3} = {}^1A \text{ and } {}^2A^{\theta_3} = {}^2A$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  both  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  are Hermitian

Part- 2<sup>nd</sup>

$$A^{\theta_3} = (A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\theta_3}$$

$\therefore A$  is Hermitian

$$\Leftrightarrow (A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\theta_3} = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^{\theta_3} - i_2 A_1^{\theta_3} = A_0 + i_2 A_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A_0^{\theta_3} = A_0 \text{ and } A_1^{\theta_3} = -A_1$$

$\Leftrightarrow A_0$  is Hermitian and  $A_1$  is Skew – Hermitian in  $C_1$ .

### 3.3.14 Theorem

Let  $A$  be an  $i_2$  Unitary bicomplex matrix then idempotent component matrix  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  are not symmetric until  ${}^1A^{-1} = {}^2A$  and  $[A_0]^T = A_0^-$  and  $[A_1]^T = -A_1^-$

*Proof:*

Part-1<sup>st</sup>

by definition of  $i_2$  unitary bicomplex matrix  $({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)^{\theta_2} = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$

$$\Leftrightarrow [({}^1A e_1 + {}^2A e_2)^{\theta_2}]^T = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [({}^1A)^{\sim}]^T e_1^{\sim} + [({}^2A)^{\sim}]^T e_2^{\sim} = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [{}^1A]^T e_2 + [{}^2A]^T e_1 = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [{}^2A]^T = {}^1A^{-1} \text{ and } [{}^1A]^T = {}^2A^{-1}$$

Therefore it is clear that if  ${}^1A^{-1} \neq {}^2A$  then  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  will never symmetric.

Part- 2<sup>nd</sup>

Since  $A$  is  $i_2$  Unitary bicomplex matrix and

$$A = (A_0 + i_2 A_1) \text{ and } A^{-1} = (A_0^{-1} + i_2 A_1^{-1}) \text{ therefore}$$

$$[A_0 + i_2 A_1]^{\theta_2} = A_0^{-1} + i_2 A_1^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [(A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\sim}]^T = A_0^{-1} + i_2 A_1^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [A_0^{\sim}]^T - i_2 [A_1^{\sim}]^T = A_0^{-1} + i_2 A_1^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [A_0]^T = A_0^{-1} \text{ and } [A_1]^T = -A_1^{-1}$$

### 3.3.15 Theorem

Let  $A$  be an  $i_1 i_2$  Unitary bicomplex matrix then the idempotent component matrix  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  both are Unitary simultaneously but complex component matrix  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are not Unitary simultaneously. Moreover  $A_0$  will be Unitary but  $A_1$  will not be Unitary.

*Proof:*

$$A = (A_0 + i_2 A_1)$$

$$A^{\theta_3} = [(A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\#}]^T = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [{}^1\bar{A}]^T e_1 + [{}^2\bar{A}]^T e_2 = ({}^1A^{-1})e_1 + ({}^2A^{-1})e_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [{}^1\bar{A}]^T = [{}^1A^{-1}] \text{ and } [{}^2\bar{A}]^T = [{}^2A^{-1}]$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  both idempotent component  ${}^1A$  and  ${}^2A$  are Unitary

$$\text{and } A^{\theta_3} = [(A_0 + i_2 A_1)^{\#}]^T$$

$$\therefore A^{\theta_3} = A^{-1} \Leftrightarrow [\bar{A}_0]^T - i_2 [\bar{A}_1]^T = A_0^- + i_2 A_1^-$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [\bar{A}_0]^T = A_0^- \text{ and } [\bar{A}_1]^T = -A_1^-$$

Therefore  $A_0$  is Unitary but  $A_1$  is not Unitary.

### 3.3.16 Theorem

The similar relation  $\sim$  between two arbitrary bicomplex square matrix  $A$  and  $B$  in new system i.e.  $A \sim B$  then this relation will be an equivalence relation.

*Proof:*

*Reflexive-*

Since We know that  $P = [I + i_2 I]$  is an invertible matrix such that  $A = P \bar{\odot} A \odot P$  i.e. every bicomplex square matrix is similar to itself.

*Symmetric Relation-*

Let  $A \sim B$  then we have to prove  $B$  will be similar to  $A$ .

$$\Rightarrow A = P \bar{\odot} B \odot P \text{ for some invertible } P \in M^{n \times n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P \odot A &= P \odot [P \bar{\odot} B \odot P] \\ &= [P \odot P] \odot [B \odot P] \\ &= [I + i_2 I] \odot [B \odot P] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \odot A = [B \odot P]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } P \odot A \odot P^{-1} &= [B \odot P] \odot P^{-1} \\ &= B \odot [P \odot P^{-1}] \\ &= B \odot [I + i_2 I] \\ &= [B_0 + i_2 B_1] \odot [I + i_2 I] \\ &= B_0 + i_2 B_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$P \odot A \odot P^{-1} = B$$

$$\Rightarrow B \sim A$$

*Transitive-*

If  $A \sim B \Rightarrow \exists$  an invertible Bicomplex matrix  $P$

Such that  $A = P \bar{\odot} B \odot P$

And  $B \sim C \Rightarrow B = Q \bar{\odot} C \odot Q$  for some  $Q \in M^{n \times n}$

We have to show  $A \sim C$



$$\therefore A = P^{-1} \odot B \odot P \text{ and } B = Q^{-1} \odot C \odot Q$$

$$A = P^{-1} \odot [Q^{-1} \odot C \odot Q] \odot P$$

$$= [P^{-1} \odot Q^{-1}] \odot [C \odot Q] \odot P$$

$$= E^{-1} \odot C \odot E, \text{ where } E = Q \odot P$$

We have an invertible bicomplex matrix  $E$

Such that  $A = E^{-1} \odot C \odot E$

therefore  $A$  is similar to  $C$  then Relation is transitive.

Hence the similar relation between bicomplex matrices is an equivalence relation.

Moreover the collection of bicomplex matrices similar to  $A$  forms a class denoted by  $[A]$  and is called the class of similar matrices of  $A$ .

Two classes  $[A]$  and  $[B]$  are either same or disjoint, in the sense that no matrix can belong to two different classes. Thus there exists a natural partition of the set of "All bicomplex square matrices".

The set of all square bicomplex matrices can also be viewed as the collection of all mutually disjoint equivalence classes with respect to a suitable defined equivalent relation.

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