

## DEFINING RELATIONS OF GENERALIZED ORTHOGONAL GROUPS OVER COMMUTATIVE LOCAL RINGS WITHOUT UNIT

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### 1. Introduction

In [1] the author found both generating elements and defining relations of the classical orthogonal group  $O(n, R) = \{a \in GL(n, R) : a^{-1} = a^\tau\}$  ( $\tau$  is the transposing) over an arbitrary commutative local ring  $R$  with 1, for which the condition holds

$$(R^\bullet)^2 + R^2 \subseteq (R^\bullet)^2, \quad (*)$$

where  $\bullet$  is taking of a multiplicative group. In this article we extend the basic results in [1] onto (in general) unit-less local rings  $R$ . The field of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  and the ring of dual numbers  $D = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  (with termwise addition and multiplication given as  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle = \langle \alpha\gamma, \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma \rangle$  (see, e. g., [2])) can serve as the most important examples of a commutative local ring with 1, which possesses property (\*). A particular case of the result in [1] where  $R = \mathbb{R}$ , was considered in [3].

In order to formulate more precisely the statement of the problem, we cite some definitions in [4]. Let  $\Lambda$  be an arbitrary (without obligatory 1) associative ring and  $\circ$  its adjoint multiplication, i. e.,  $\alpha \circ \beta = \alpha + \alpha\beta + \beta$ . An element  $\alpha$  in  $\Lambda$  is said to be quasi-invertible if for this element  $\alpha \circ \alpha' = \alpha' \circ \alpha = 0$  for a certain  $\alpha' \in \Lambda$ . The set of all quasi-invertible elements  $\Lambda^\circ$  in  $\Lambda$  forms a group with respect to the operation  $\circ$  (where 0 is the unit). In case where  $\Lambda$  has 1, the mapping  $\Lambda^\bullet \rightarrow \Lambda^\circ$ ,  $1 + \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$  determines a group isomorphism, therefore the group  $\Lambda^\circ$  is a generalization of the concept of a multiplicative group  $\Lambda^\bullet$  to most general cases of associative rings. The group of quasi-invertible matrices from the complete matrix ring  $\Lambda = M(n, R)$  is denoted by  $GL^\circ(n, R)$  and termed the generalized linear group of degree  $n$  over the ring  $R$ . In some (most important) cases, both the group  $GL^\circ(n, R)$  and its classical subgroups can be described on the language of the generators and defining relations.

Let  $J(R)$  be Jacobson radical of the ring  $R$  (i. e., its most quasiregular ideal). An associative (which is not obliged to possess 1) ring  $R$  is said to be *local* if its factor-ring  $\bar{R} = R/J(R)$  by the Jacobson radical forms a skew-field. Let  $\bar{e}$  stand for the unit class of the skew-field of residues  $\bar{R}$  for a local ring  $R$ . For this ring we use the following notation:  $R^2 = \{x^2 : x \in R\}$ ,  $R^{(2)} = \{x \circ x : x \in R^\circ\}$ . In this article we shall determine the generators and defining relations of the (classical) orthogonal group  $O^\circ(n, R) = \{a \in GL^\circ(n, R) : a' = a^\tau\}$  of degree  $n \geq 2$  over an arbitrary commutative local ring  $R$ , not necessarily possessing 1, for which the conditions are fulfilled

$$R^{(2)} + R^2 \subseteq R^{(2)} \quad (\subseteq)$$

and

$$(-e) \circ (-e) + \mu^2 = 0 \quad (=)$$

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