

LOCAL AND 2-LOCAL DERIVATIONS AND AUTOMORPHISMS OF OCTONION ALGEBRAS

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Abstract: The talk is devoted to a survey of results concerning the of local and 2-local derivations (respectively, description automorphisms) on some non-associative algebras. Special attention is given to the case of Octonion algebras. We shall give a general form of local derivations on the octonion algebra O(F) over a field F with zero characteristic. This description implies that the space of all local derivations on O(F), when equipped with the Lie bracket, is isomorphic to the Lie algebra so7(F) of all real skew-symmetric 7x7 matrices over F. At the same time, the Lie algebra of all derivations is isomorphic to the Lie algebra g2(F). It follows that the octonion algebra O(F) over the field F is a simple non-associative algebra which admits pure local derivations, that is, local derivations which are not derivations. Further, we consider 2-local derivations on the octonion algebra O(F) over an algebraically closed field F and prove that every 2-local derivation on O(F) is a derivation. However, for the field R of real numbers, 2-local derivations on the octonion algebra O(R) form a Lie algebra which is essentially larger than the Lie algebra g2(R) of derivations. We also present a general form of local automorphisms on the octonion algebra O(F). This description implies that the group of all local automorphisms on O(F) is isomorphic to the group O 7(F) of all orthogonal 7x 7 matrices over F, and is essentially larger than the group of all automorphisms. We also consider 2-local automorphisms on the octonion algebra O(F) over an algebraically closed field F and prove that every 2-local automorphism on O(F) is an automorphism. At the same time, the group of 2-local automorphisms of O(R) is larger than the group of automorphisms of O(R).