

# On exponent matrices of tiled orders

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A ring  $\Lambda$  is called a *tiled order* if  $\Lambda$  is a prime Noetherian semi-perfect semi-distributive ring with non-zero Jacobson radical. Any tiled order can be constructed from a (non-necessarily commutative) discrete valuation ring and an exponent matrix. The latter means a square integer matrix  $A = (\alpha_{ps})$ , whose diagonal entries are equal to zero, and for all possible indices  $i, j, k$ , the following inequality holds:

$$\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{jk} \geq \alpha_{ik}.$$

Every tiled order  $\Lambda$  is isomorphic to a ring of the form

$$(1) \quad \Lambda = \sum_{i,j=1}^n e_{ij}(\pi^{\alpha_{ij}} \mathcal{O}) \subseteq M_n(\mathcal{O}),$$

where  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\mathcal{O}$  is a (non-necessarily commutative) discrete valuation ring with prime element  $\pi$ ,  $(\alpha_{ij})$  is an exponent matrix,  $e_{ij}(\pi^{\alpha_{ij}} \mathcal{O}) = \{e_{ij}(a), a \in \pi^{\alpha_{ij}} \mathcal{O}\}$  and  $e_{ij}(a)$  is the  $n \times n$ -matrix whose unique non-zero entry  $a$  is placed in the  $(i, j)$ -position.

Since the paper by R. B. Tarsy [8] on global dimension of orders published in 1970, tiled orders draw attention of a number of experts in ring theory and representation theory (see, in particular, [1] – [7]).

We shall present some results in collaboration with G. Kudryavtseva, V. Kirichenko and M. Plakhotnyk. In particular we endow the set of non-negative exponents matrices  $\mathcal{E}_n$  with the following two operations: the component-wise addition, which we denote by  $\odot$  and the component-wise maximum, which we denote by  $\oplus$ . It follows that  $(\mathcal{E}_n, \odot, \oplus, 0)$  is a max-plus algebra of matrices where 0 denotes the zero matrix. Most of usual axioms of an idempotent semiring hold in this algebra: both operations are associative, commutative, 0 is the neutral element with respect to each of these operations,  $\oplus$  is idempotent and  $\odot$  distributes over  $\oplus$ .

One of our results provides a basis for this max-plus algebra.

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