

On Four Dimensional Absolute Valued Algebras With nonzero Omnipresent Idempotent

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Abstract: In this paper, we studies the absolute valued algebras of dimension four, containing nonzero omnipresent idempotent. And we construct algebraically some news classes of algebras.

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1 Introduction

An absolute valued algebra, is a nonzero real algebra, that is equipped with a multiplicative norm ($\|xy\| = \|x\|\|y\|$). These algebras have attracted the attention of many mathematicians, [3], [7], [8], [9], [10], [11], [12], [13], [14], [15]. In 1947 Albert, [1]. Proved that the finite dimensional unital absolute valued algebras are classified by $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}, \mathbb{O}$. And that every finite dimensional absolute valued algebra is isotopic to one of the algebras $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}, \mathbb{O}$. And so has dimension 1, 2, 4 or 8, [1]. Note that, the norm $\|\cdot\|$ of any finite-dimensional absolute valued algebras, comes from an inner product (\cdot/\cdot) , [2]. Urbanik and Wright proved in 1960 that, all unital absolute valued algebras are classified by $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}, \mathbb{O}$, [4]. It is easily to seen that, the one-dimensional absolute valued algebras are classified by \mathbb{R} . And it is well-known that the two-dimensional absolute valued algebras, are isomorphic to, $\mathbb{C}, {}^*\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^*$, or \mathbb{C}^* , [5]. The four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, have been described by M.I. Ramírez Álvarez in 1997, [6]. The problem of classifying all four (eight)-dimensional absolute valued algebras seems still to be open.

Motivated by these facts, we became interested in the study of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent. which generalizes the studies of M.L. El-Mellah, [3]. The classification of these algebras containing only one two-dimensional sub-algebra is still an open problem. We note that there are a four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, with left unit not containing a nonzero omnipresent idempotent, [6]. On the other hand the four-dimensional absolute valued algebra with a nonzero central idempotent, contains a subalgebras of dimension two. Which means that a cen-

tral idempotent is an omnipresent idempotent . The reciprocal does not hold in general, and the counterexample is given (**remark 3.2**). From the comments below, it arises in a naturel way the following question: what is the classification of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent and containing two different sub-algebras of dimension two?. This paper is devoted to shed some ligh on this problem.

In section 2, we introduce the basic tools for the study of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent, and containing two different sub-algebras of dimension two.

Moreover, In section 3, we introduce news classes of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent, namely $M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4, {}^*M_1, {}^*M_2, {}^*M_3, {}^*M_4, M_1^*, M_2^*, M_3^*$ and M_4^* .

In section 4, we classify algebraically, all four-dimensional absolute valued algebras, containing at least, two different subalgebras of dimension two.

In section 5, we summarize our study in the table.6.

2 Notations and Preliminary Results

Throughout this paper, the word algebra refers to a non-necessarily associative algebra, over the field of real numbers \mathbb{R} .

Definition 2.1 Let A be an arbitrary algebra.

- i) A is called a normed algebra (resp, absolute valued algebra) if it's endowed with a space norm: $\|\cdot\|$ such that $\|xy\| \leq \|x\|\|y\|$ (resp, $\|xy\| = \|x\|\|y\|$), for all $x, y \in A$.

ii) A is called a division algebra if, for all nonzero $a \in A$, the operators $L_a(x) = ax$ and $R_a(x) = xa$ (for all $x \in A$) of left and right multiplication by a are bijectives. Note that every finite-dimensional absolute valued algebra is a division algebra.

iii) We mean by a nonzero omnipresent idempotent, an idempotent which is contained in all two-dimensional sub-algebras of A .

iv) $A(x,y)$ denote the sub-algebra of A generated by x , and y .

The most natural **examples** of absolute valued algebras are \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{H} (the algebra of Hamilton quaternion), and \mathbb{O} (the algebra of Cayley numbers). The algebras ${}^*\mathbb{C}$, \mathbb{C}^* , and $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$ (obtained by endowing the space \mathbb{C} with the products defined respectively by

$$x * y = \bar{x}y, \quad x * y = x\bar{y}, \quad \text{and} \quad x * y = \bar{x}\bar{y} \quad (P)$$

Where $x \rightarrow \bar{x}$ is the standard conjugation of \mathbb{C} .

We shall also denote by ${}^*\mathbb{H}$, \mathbb{H}^* , or $\overset{*}{\mathbb{H}}$ the real algebras obtained by endowing the space \mathbb{H} with the products defined by (P) respectively, with $x \rightarrow \bar{x}$ is the standard conjugation of \mathbb{H} . The reader is referred to [11] for more informations of these classical absolute valued algebras.

We need the following results.

Theorem 2.2 .[2]. *The norm of any finite dimensional absolute valued algebra come from an inner product.*

Lemma 2.3 .[9]. *Every algebra in which $x^2 = 0$ only if $x = 0$. Contains a nonzero idempotent.*

Lemma 2.4 . *Let A be an absolute valued algebra of dimension $n \geq 2$, containing a nonzero central idempotent e , and let B a 2-dimensional sub-algebra of A . Then B contains a nonzero element orthogonal to e .*

Proof. Let a, b be an orthonormal basis of B . Then there exists $\lambda, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $u, v \in \{e\}^\perp$ such that $a = \lambda e + u$, $b = \beta e + v$. Now $\beta a - \lambda b = w \in B \setminus \{0\}$ and $w = \beta u - \lambda v \in \{e\}^\perp$

Lemma 2.5 . *Let A be a four-dimensional absolute valued algebra, containing a nonzero central idempotent f , then the following statements hold:*

- i) A contains a 2-dimensional sub-algebra.
- ii) $x^2 = -\|x\|^2 f$, for all $x \in \{f\}^\perp$.
- iii) If $e \in A$ is another nonzero idempotent such that $e \neq f$, then the subalgebra $A(e, f)$ is isomorphic to $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$.

Proof.

i) We can induce isometries from the commutative linear isometries L_f and R_f on the orthogonal space $\{e\}^\perp := E$ of dimension 3. So there exist common norm-one eigenvector $u \in E$ for both L_f and R_f associated to eigenvalues $\alpha, \beta \in \{-1, 1\}$. That is, $u^2 = -f$. Consequently $A(u, f)$ is a two-dimensional subalgebra of A .

ii) As A has an inner product space, we can assume that $\|x\| = 1$. We have

$$\|x^2 - f\| = \|x - f\| \|x + f\| = 2$$

That is $(x^2/f) = -1$, then $x^2 = -f$.

iii) As $e \neq f$. We have

$$\|e - f\| = \|e^2 - f^2\| = \|e - f\| \|e + f\|$$

That is $\|e + f\| = 1$, this imply $(e/f) = -\frac{1}{2}$. So

$$e + f + ef = 0$$

Consequently, $A(e, f)$ is isomorphic to $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$.

Lemma 2.6 . *Let A be a four-dimensional absolute valued algebra containing 2-dimensional subalgebra B .*

- 1) If $x \in B^\perp$, then $x^2 \in B$.
- 2) If f is a nonzero central idempotent of A , then f is an omnipresent idempotent.

Proof. By Rodríguez theorem, [5]. B is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , ${}^*\mathbb{C}$, \mathbb{C}^* , or $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$, and by lemma 2.3, B contains a nonzero idempotent e . We can set $B = A(e, i)$, where $ei = \pm i$, $ie = \pm i$, and $i^2 = \pm e$.

1) We have $\{e, i\}$ is an orthonormal basis of B , which can be extended to an orthonormal basis $F = \{e, i, j, k\}$ of A . Since L_j is bijective, there exist j_1 , and j_2 , such that

$$jj_1 = i \quad \text{and} \quad jj_2 = e$$

Let $x = aj + bk \in B^\perp$, we have

$$(j_1/e) = (jj_1/j_e) = (i/j_e) = \pm(i/j_e) = \pm(i/j) = 0$$

And

$$(j_1/i) = (jj_1/j_i) = (i/j_i) = \pm(ei/j_i) = \pm(e/j) = 0$$

Hence, $j_1 = \alpha j + \beta k$, likewise $j_2 = \alpha' j + \beta' k$. So we have

$$i = jj_1 = \alpha j^2 + \beta jk$$

and

$$e = jj_2 = \alpha'j^2 + \beta'jk$$

As $\alpha\beta' - \beta\alpha' = \pm 1$, then $j^2 \in B$, and $jk \in B$. Similarly we show that $k^2 \in B$ and $kj \in B$, so

$$x^2 = a^2j^2 + b^2k^2 + ab(jk + kj) \in B$$

- 2) Let x be a nonzero element of A orthogonal to f , so $x^2 = -\|x\|^2f$ then $f = -\|x\|^{-2}x^2 \in B$ which mean that f is an omnipresent idempotent.

Remark 2.7 . For any orthogonal two elements $x, y \in e^\perp$, we have $(xy/yz) = -(x^2/y^2)$.

Proof. A simple linearisation of the identity $\|x^2\| = \|x\|^2$ give this result.

3 New class of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent

In this paragraph we construct some news classes of four-dimensional absolute valued algebras with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent.

3.1 Construction of $\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$, and \mathbb{M}_4

Let $\{e, i, j, k\}$ be the orthonormal basis of the algebra \mathbb{H} of quaternions with the usual multiplication table:

Table.1. \mathbb{H}

	e	i	j	k
e	e	i	j	k
i	i	-e	k	-j
j	j	-k	-e	i
k	k	j	-i	-e

Let ϕ, ψ, Λ the linear isometries of the euclidian space \mathbb{H} whose matrices with respect to the canonical basis are given, respectively, by $\text{diag}\{1, 1, 1, -1\}$, $\text{diag}\{1, 1, -1, -1\}$, $\text{diag}\{1, 1, -1, 1\}$. We define news multiplications on the space \mathbb{H} .

$$x *_1 y = \phi(x)\phi(y)$$

$$x *_2 y = \phi(x)y$$

$$x *_3 y = x\phi(y)$$

$$x *_4 y = \psi(x)\Lambda(y)$$

we get new class of algebras with the multiplication tables defined respectively by:

Table.2. \mathbb{M}_1

	e	i	j	k
e	e	i	j	-k
i	i	-e	k	j
j	j	-k	-e	-i
k	-k	-j	i	-e

Table.3. \mathbb{M}_2

	e	i	j	k
e	e	i	j	k
i	i	-e	k	-j
j	j	-k	-e	i
k	-k	-j	i	e

Table.4. \mathbb{M}_3

	e	i	j	k
e	e	i	j	-k
i	i	-e	k	j
j	j	-k	-e	-i
k	k	j	-i	e

Table.5. \mathbb{M}_4

	e	i	j	k
e	e	i	-j	k
i	i	-e	-k	-j
j	-j	k	-e	-i
k	-k	-j	-i	e

Lemma 3.1 . The algebras $\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$, and \mathbb{M}_4 are absolute valued algebras with omnipresent idempotent e .

Proof. All these algebras are trivially absolute valued. We have also:

1. e is central idempotent for \mathbb{M}_1 , so it's an omnipresent.
2. e is left-unit for algebra \mathbb{M}_2 so the only non zero idempotent. It belongs to all subalgebras of \mathbb{M}_2 , [10]. So e is omnipresent.
3. e is a right-unit for algebra \mathbb{M}_3 so it is omnipresent.
4. Let B be a two dimensional sub-algebra of \mathbb{M}_4 , then there exist an nonzero idempotent f and t in B , such that $(f/t) = 0$ and $t^2 = \pm f$. Using the basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ there exists $\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1, \delta_1, \alpha_2, \beta_2, \gamma_2, \delta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f = \alpha_1e + \beta_1i + \gamma_1j + \delta_1k$ and $t = \alpha_2e + \beta_2i + \gamma_2j + \delta_2k$ We have

$$i^2 = j^2 = -e, k^2 = e, ie = ei = i$$

$$je = ej = -j, ke = -k, ek = k$$

And

$$ik = ki = -j, ij = -ji = -k, jk = kj = -i$$

Since $f^2 = f$, then

$$\alpha_1^2 - \beta_1^2 - \gamma_1^2 + \delta_1^2 = \alpha_1 \quad (1)$$

$$2\alpha_1\beta_1 - 2\gamma_1\delta_1 = \beta_1 \quad (2)$$

$$-2\alpha_1\gamma_1 - 2\beta_1\delta_1 = \gamma_1 \quad (3)$$

$$\delta_1 = 0 \quad (4)$$

As $\|f\| = 1$, then $\alpha_1^2 + \beta_1^2 + \gamma_1^2 + \delta_1^2 = 1$ also $\alpha_1^2 - \beta_1^2 - \gamma_1^2 - \delta_1^2 = \alpha_1$ (1), we get

$$2\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_1 - 1 = 0$$

thus $\alpha_1 = 1$ or $\alpha_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$.

(a) If $\alpha_1 = 1$, therefore $e = f \in B$

(b) If $\alpha_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$, then the equalities (2) and (4) give $\beta_1 = \delta_1 = 0$. So

$$f = -\frac{1}{2}e \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}j \in A(e, j)$$

On the other hand, we know that $t^2 = \pm f$ then

$$\alpha_2^2 - \beta_2^2 - \gamma_2^2 + \delta_2^2 = \pm\alpha_1 \quad (5)$$

$$2\alpha_2\beta_2 - 2\gamma_2\delta_2 = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$-2\alpha_2\gamma_2 - 2\beta_2\delta_2 = \pm\gamma_1 \quad (7)$$

$$\delta_2 = 0 \quad (8)$$

Since $\|t\| = \|f\| = 1$, then $\alpha_2^2 + \beta_2^2 + \gamma_2^2 + \delta_2^2 = 1$. The equalities (5) and (8) give $2\alpha_2^2 - 1 = \pm\alpha_1$, thus $\alpha_2 \neq 0$ and $\gamma_2 \neq 0$. Hence the equalities (6) and (8) imply that $\beta_2 = \delta_2 = 0$, that is, $t = \alpha_2e + \gamma_2j \in A(e, j)$. Therefore $B = A(e, j)$, so $e \in B$. As a result e is a nonzero omnipresent idempotent of \mathbb{M}_4 .

Remark 3.2 . e is a nonzero omnipresent idempotent for the algebras $\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$ and \mathbb{M}_4 which isn't a central idempotent.

3.2 Construction of the standard isotope of

$\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$ and \mathbb{M}_4

Let \mathbb{M} denote one of absolute valued algebras $\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$ or \mathbb{M}_4 . We construct the vectorial space of \mathbb{M} by the news multiplications given respectively, by $x * y = \bar{x}\bar{y}, x * y = \bar{x}y, x * y = x\bar{y}$, where $x \rightarrow \bar{x}$ is the standard conjugation of \mathbb{M} . The algebras obtained called the standard isotopes of \mathbb{M} , and denoted respectively by $\overset{*}{\mathbb{M}}, *\mathbb{M}, \mathbb{M}^*$.

Since the conjugation is an isometry, $\overset{*}{\mathbb{M}}, *\mathbb{M}, \mathbb{M}^*$ are absolute valued algebras, As any two dimensional sub-algebra of \mathbb{M} is invariant under conjugation, then e is also an omnipresent idempotent of these news algebras.

4 Main results

In this section, we assume that A is a four dimensional absolute valued algebra with omnipresent idempotent e and having at least two different subalgebras B_1 and B_2 of dimension two.

We have the following studies.

4.1 B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$

Proposition 4.1 . If B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . Then A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2$ or \mathbb{M}_3 .

Proof. Let $B_1 = A(e, i)$ and $B_2 = A(e, j)$ be a two subalgebras of A isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , then we have

$$i^2 = j^2 = -e, \quad ie = ei = i \quad \text{and} \quad je = ej = j$$

We know also $(e/i) = (e/j) = 0$, so without loss of generality we may assume that $(i/j) = 0$. indeed, if $(i/j) \neq 0$ then $t = \frac{j-(i/j)i}{\|j-(i/j)i\|}$ is orthogonal to e . Since $te = et = t$ and $\|e\| = \|t\| = 1$, we get $t^2 = -e$. Which implies that $A(e, t)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} .

Now in A there exists an orthonormal subset $\{e, i, j\}$ which can be extended to an orthonormal basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ for A . Since $k \in \{e, i, j\}^\perp$, then $k^2 \in A(e, i) \cap A(e, j) = \{e\}$ (lemma 2.6.(1)). We get $k^2 = \pm e$. But since

$$(ek/e) = (ek/e^2) = (e/k) = 0$$

$$(ke/e) = (ke/e^2) = (k/e) = 0$$

$$(ek/i) = (ek/ei) = (k/i) = 0$$

$$(ke/i) = (ke/ie) = (k/i) = 0$$

$$(ek/j) = (ek/ej) = (k/j) = 0$$

$$(ke/j) = (ke/je) = (k/j) = 0$$

we obtain $ek = \varepsilon k$ and $ke = \zeta k$, where $|\varepsilon| = |\zeta| = 1$. We conclude that $A(e, k)$ is two-dimensional subalgebra of A , that is $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}, *\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^*$ or $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$. We distinguish the following cases:

1. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} .

Then e will be the unit element of A and, therefore the multiplication of A is given by Table.1, so A is isomorphic to the quaternion \mathbb{H} .

2. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to $\overset{*}{\mathbb{C}}$.

So $ke = ek = -k$ and $k^2 = -e$, since

$$(ij/e) = (ij/-i^2) = -(i/j) = 0$$

$$(ij/i) = (ij/ie) = (i/j) = 0$$

and

$$(ij/j) = (ij/j) = (i/j) = 0$$

Hence $ij = k$ or $ij = -k$. In a similar manner, we can show that

$$ik = j \text{ or } ik = -j$$

and

$$jk = i \text{ or } jk = -i$$

Assume that $ij = k$, in this case we have $ik = j$ and $jk = -i$. Indeed, if $ik = -j$, then

$$i(j+k) = k - j = -ek - ej = -e(k+j)$$

Which gives $i = -e$ (A has no zero divisors), contradiction. Also if $jk = i$, then

$$(i+j)k = j+i = (j+i)e$$

which implies $k = e$, absurd. Moreover, by remark 2.7, we have

$$(ij/ji) = -(i^2/j^2) = -1$$

which means that

$$\|ij + ji\|^2 = 0$$

So $ij = -ji$, and by the same way we have $ik = -ki$, and $jk = -kj$. Therefore, the multiplication of A is given by the Table.2, which mean that A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_1 .

3. $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$.

We have $ek = k$, $ke = -k$ and $k^2 = e$. Using remark 2.7, we have $(ik/ki) = -(i^2/k^2) = 1$ which means that

$$\|ik - ki\|^2 = 0$$

So $ik = ki$, similarly, we get

$$jk = kj \text{ and } ij = -ji$$

By simple calculations, we show that

$$ij = k \text{ or } ij = -k$$

,

$$ik = j \text{ or } ik = -j$$

and

$$jk = i \text{ or } jk = -i$$

Assume that $ij = k$, in this case we have $ik = -j$ and $jk = i$. Indeed, if $ik = j$, then

$$i(j+k) = k + j = ek + ej = e(k+j)$$

Which gives $i = e$ (A has no zero divisors), contradiction. Also if $jk = -i$, then

$$(i+j)k = -j - i = -je - ie = -(j+i)e$$

which implies $k = -e$, absurd. So the multiplication of A is given by the Table.3, and A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_2 .

4. $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* ,

We have $ek = -k$, $ke = k$ and $k^2 = e$. By remark 2.7, we get

$$ik = ki, \quad jk = kj \text{ and } ij = -ji$$

And by simple calculations, we show that

$$ij = k \text{ or } ij = -k$$

,

$$ik = j \text{ or } ik = -j$$

and

$$jk = i \text{ or } jk = -i$$

Assume that $ij = k$, in this case we have $ik = j$ and $jk = -i$. Indeed, if $ik = -j$, then

$$i(j+k) = k - j = -ek - ej = -e(k+j)$$

This implies that $i = -e$ (A has no zero divisors), contradiction. Also if $jk = i$, then

$$(i+j)k = j+i = je + ie = (j+i)e$$

which implies $k = e$, absurd. Then the product of A is given by Table.4, So A isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_3 .

Proposition 4.2 . If B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Then A is isomorphic to \mathbb{H}^* , \mathbb{M}_1^* , \mathbb{M}_2^* or \mathbb{M}_3^* .

Proof. we define a new multiplication on A by $x*y = \bar{x}\bar{y}$, we obtain an algebra A^* which contains two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . Therefore, applying proposition 4.1, A^* is isomorphic to \mathbb{H}^* , \mathbb{M}_1^* , \mathbb{M}_2^* or \mathbb{M}_3^* . Consequently, A is isomorphic to \mathbb{H}^* , \mathbb{M}_1^* , \mathbb{M}_2^* or \mathbb{M}_3^* .

4.2 B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^*

We assume that $B_1 = A(e, i)$ isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and $B_2 = A(e, j)$ isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* , we have

$$\|i+j\|^2 = \|e\|^2\|i+j\|^2 = \|ei + ej\|^2 = \|i-j\|^2$$

That is

$$2 + 2(i/j) = 2 - 2(i/j)$$

Hence $(i/j) = 0$.

Proposition 4.3 . If B_1 is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Then A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_1 , \mathbb{M}_4 , \mathbb{M}_1^* , or \mathbb{M}_4^* .

Proof. We can form an orthonormal basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ of A . Since $k \in \{e, i, j\}^\perp$, then $k^2 \in A(e, i) \cap A(e, j) = \{e\}$ (lemma 2.6.(1)). We get $k^2 = \pm e$. But since

$$\begin{aligned} (ek/e) &= (ek/e^2) = (e/k) = 0 \\ (ke/e) &= (ke/e^2) = (k/e) = 0 \\ (ek/i) &= (ek/ei) = (k/i) = 0 \\ (ke/i) &= (ke/ie) = (k/i) = 0 \\ (ek/j) &= (ek/-ej) = (k/j) = 0 \\ (ke/j) &= (ke/-je) = (k/j) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We obtain $ek = \varepsilon k$ and $ke = \zeta k$, where $|\varepsilon| = |\zeta| = 1$. We conclude that $A(e, k)$ is two-dimensional subalgebra of A , that is $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , ${}^*\mathbb{C}$, \mathbb{C}^* or \mathbb{C} . We have the following cases:

1. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , or ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Then A has two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Hence A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_1, {}^*\mathbb{M}_1$, (Proposition 4.1, and Proposition 4.2.).
2. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. We have $ek = k$, $ke = -k$ and $k^2 = e$. According to remark 2.7, we have $(ik/ki) = -(i^2/k^2) = (e/e) = 1$ which means that

$$\|ik - ki\|^2 = 0$$

So $ik = ki$, and similarly, we get

$$jk = kj \text{ and } ij = -ji$$

We can also show that

$$ij = k \text{ or } ij = -k$$

$$ik = j \text{ or } ik = -j$$

and

$$jk = i \text{ or } jk = -i$$

If $ij = -k$, then $ik = -j$ and $jk = -i$. Indeed, if $ik = j$, then

$$i(j+k) = -k + j = -ek - ej = -e(k+j)$$

So $i = -e$ (Absurde).

Also if $jk = i$, then

$$(i+j)k = -j + i = je + ie = (j+i)e$$

which implies $k = e$, absurd. So the multiplication of A is given by Table.5, and A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4 .

3. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* ,

On A we can define a new algebra *A by the multiplication $x * y = \bar{x}y$. Then *A contains three different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{C} and ${}^*\mathbb{C}$ respectively. Hence the last result imply that *A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4 . So A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4 .

4.3 B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{C}^*

We have the following results

Proposition 4.4 . If B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Then A is isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{H}$, ${}^*\mathbb{M}_1$, ${}^*\mathbb{M}_2$ or ${}^*\mathbb{M}_3$.

Proof. We define a new multiplication on A by $x * y = \bar{x}y$, we obtain an algebra *A which contains two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . Therefore, applying proposition 4.1, *A is isomorphic to \mathbb{H} , \mathbb{M}_1 , \mathbb{M}_2 or \mathbb{M}_3 . Consequently, A is isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{H}$, ${}^*\mathbb{M}_1$, ${}^*\mathbb{M}_2$ or ${}^*\mathbb{M}_3$.

Proposition 4.5 . If B_1 and B_2 are isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Then A is isomorphic to \mathbb{H}^* , \mathbb{M}_1^* , \mathbb{M}_2^* or \mathbb{M}_3^* .

Proof. We change the product of A by $x * y = x\bar{y}$, we get the algebra noted A^* which contains two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . So by Proposition 4.1. A^* is isomorphic to \mathbb{H} , \mathbb{M}_1 , \mathbb{M}_2 or \mathbb{M}_3 . Which mean that A is isomorphic to \mathbb{H}^* , \mathbb{M}_1^* , \mathbb{M}_2^* , or \mathbb{M}_3^* .

4.4 B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$

We can pose $B_1 = A(e, i)$, and $B_2 = A(e, j)$ isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$, we have $(i/j) = 0$.

Proposition 4.6 . If B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Then A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_2 , \mathbb{M}_4 , ${}^*\mathbb{M}_2$, or ${}^*\mathbb{M}_4$.

Proof. We can construct an orthonormal basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ of A . and we have by the same argument in the precedent case, $A(e, k)$ is two-dimensional subalgebra of A .

1. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , or ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Then A has two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{C}$. Hence A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_2 , or ${}^*\mathbb{M}_2$ (Propositions 4.1, and Proposition 4.4).
2. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . By Proposition 4.3. A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4
3. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . We consider the product $x * y = \bar{x}y$, we obtain an algebra *A which contains three different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{C} and ${}^*\mathbb{C}$ respectively. Therefore, applying the last result, *A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4 . Consequently, A is isomorphic to ${}^*\mathbb{M}_4$.

4.5 B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^*

We pose $B_1 = A(e, i)$, and $B_2 = A(e, j)$. we always have $(i/j) = 0$. the identity

$$\|i + j\|^2 = \|e\|^2 \|i + j\|^2 = \|ei + ej\|^2 = \|i - j\|^2$$

Give

$$2 + 2(i/j) = 2 - 2(i/j)$$

So $(i/j) = 0$.

Proposition 4.7 . If B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and B_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Then A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_3, \mathbb{M}_3^*, \mathbb{M}_4^*$ or \mathbb{M}_4 .

Proof. We have $(i/j) = 0$ so $\{e, i, j\}$ is an orthonormal family which can be extend to an orthonormal basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ of A . Since $A(e, k)$ is two-dimensional subalgebra of A . We have the following cases:

1. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or \mathbb{C}^* .
Then A has two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Hence A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_3 , or \mathbb{M}_3^* (Proposition 4.1, and Proposition 4.5).
2. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* .
By Proposition 4.3. A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4^* .
3. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , then A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4 (Proposition 4.6).

Remark 4.8 .

1. If A has two subalgebras $B_1 = A(e, i)$, isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , and $B_2 = A(e, j)$ isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . We can define a new algebra A^* with product $x * y = \bar{x}\bar{y}$. So A contains two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{C}^* respectively. So A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_3, \mathbb{M}_3^*, \mathbb{M}_4^*$ or \mathbb{M}_4 (Proposition 4.7). Consequently A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_3, \mathbb{M}_3^*$, or \mathbb{M}_4^* .
2. if A has two subalgebras $B_1 = A(e, i)$ isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* , and $B_2 = A(e, j)$ isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . We define a new multiplication on A by $x * y = \bar{x}\bar{y}$, and we obtain an algebra A^* , which contains two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , and \mathbb{C}^* respectively. By Proposition 4.6, A is isomorphic $\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_2^*$, or \mathbb{M}_4^* . Hence A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_2^*$ or \mathbb{M}_4^* .

4.6 B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* and B_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^*

Let's $B_1 = A(e, i)$, and $B_2 = A(e, j)$. We have

$$\|i + j\|^2 = \|i + j\|^2 \|e\|^2 = \|ie + je\|^2 = \|-i + j\|^2$$

So

$$2 + 2(i/j) = 2 - 2(i/j)$$

Hence $(i/j) = 0$.

Proposition 4.9 If B_1 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* and B_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* . Then A is isomorphic to $\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_1^*$, or \mathbb{M}_4^*

Proof. We construct an orthonormal basis $\{e, i, j, k\}$ of A :

1. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* , or \mathbb{C} .
Then A has two different subalgebras isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* or isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . Hence A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_1 , or \mathbb{M}_1^* (Propositions. 4.4, and Proposition. 4.5).
2. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} , the result is a consequence of the Proposition. 4.6, thus A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4^* .
3. If $A(e, k)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^* , the result is a consequence of the remark. 4.8. Hence A is isomorphic to \mathbb{M}_4^* .

Remark 4.10 If $ij = -k$, we substitute $-k = t$ we obtain $ij = t$, so we use the basis $\{e, i, j, t\}$, we again get the same classifications.

5 Conclusion

In this section, we have the following main result.

Theorem 5.1 Let A be a four dimensional absolute valued algebra with a nonzero omnipresent idempotent e , and having two different subalgebras B_1 and B_2 of dimension two. The following table specifies the isomorphisms classes.

Table.6. All classifications

B_1	B_2	A
\mathbb{C}	\mathbb{C}	$\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_3$
$^*\mathbb{C}$	$^*\mathbb{C}$	$^*\mathbb{H}, ^*\mathbb{M}_1, ^*\mathbb{M}_2, ^*\mathbb{M}_3$
\mathbb{C}	$^*\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{M}_1, \mathbb{M}_4, ^*\mathbb{M}_1, ^*\mathbb{M}_4$
$^*\mathbb{C}$	$^*\mathbb{C}$	$^*\mathbb{H}, ^*\mathbb{M}_1, ^*\mathbb{M}_2, ^*\mathbb{M}_3$
\mathbb{C}^*	\mathbb{C}^*	$\mathbb{H}^*, \mathbb{M}_1^*, \mathbb{M}_2^*, \mathbb{M}_3^*$
\mathbb{C}	$^*\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_4, ^*\mathbb{M}_2, ^*\mathbb{M}_4$
\mathbb{C}	\mathbb{C}^*	$\mathbb{M}_3, \mathbb{M}_3^*, ^*\mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_4^*$
$^*\mathbb{C}$	$^*\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_3, ^*\mathbb{M}_3, \mathbb{M}_4^*$
$^*\mathbb{C}$	\mathbb{C}^*	$^*\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_2^*, \mathbb{M}_4^*$
$^*\mathbb{C}$	\mathbb{C}^*	$^*\mathbb{M}_1, ^*\mathbb{M}_4, \mathbb{M}_1^*, \text{or } \mathbb{M}_4^*$

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