

- Char(F) = 0
mostly
 $\overline{F} = F$
1. Representability & Specht problems.
 2. Asymptotic methods.
 3. Generic constructions (applications to division algebras & Brauer group)
- Then G -graded analogs of these results,
 G a finite group.
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Let W an associative algebra over $\overline{F} = F$

$$F \in F \langle X \rangle$$

$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \equiv 0$ for $\Rightarrow f$ is an identity.

Examples $xy - yx \Leftrightarrow W$ is commutative

$$[[x, y]^2, z] \text{ in } M_2(F)$$

Amitsur-Levitzky:

$$S_{2n} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{2n}} (-1)^\sigma x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(2n)}$$

in $M_n(F)$

A "PI-algebra" is an algebra that has identities.

"Multilinearization": Can always replace identities by multilinear ones.

$$\text{Cappelli: } C_n = \sum (-1)^\sigma y_0 x_{\sigma(1)} y_2 x_{\sigma(2)} \dots x_{\sigma(n)} y_n$$

is an identity $\sigma \in S_n$ For any algebra
of $\dim < n$

Yet the infinite grassman algebra

satisfies

$$[[x, y], z]$$

but no Cayley identity.

DBN: Is this related to "internal quotients"?