

$(\alpha, \beta)$  DERIVATIONS AND COMMUTATIVITY IN  $\sigma$ -PRIME RING

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ABSTRACT

Let  $R$  be a  $\sigma$ -prime ring with characteristic  $\neq 2$  and  $d$  be a nonzero  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation of  $R$  commuting with  $\sigma$ . It is prove that a non-zero  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - derivation  $d$  associated with be a non-zero  $\sigma$ -ideal  $I$  of  $R$  which commutes  $\sigma$  and i) if  $[d(x), x] = 0 \forall x \in I$  then  $R$  is commutative ii) If  $d^2(I) = 0$  then  $d = 0$ . Also we prove that  $R$  must be commutative under some suitable conditions.

**Keywords:**  $\sigma$ -prime ring,  $\sigma$ -ideals,  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivations.

1. INTRODUCTION

Through out the present paper all rings will be associative. A ring  $R$  equipped with an involution  $\sigma$  is said to be  $\sigma$ -prime if  $aRb = aR \sigma(b) = 0$  implies that  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . Recall that a ring  $R$  is prime if  $aRb = 0$  implies that  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . Obviously, every prime ring with involution  $\sigma$  is  $\sigma$ -prime but the converse is in general not true. An ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is a  $\sigma$ -ideal if  $I$  is invariant under  $\sigma$  i.e,  $\sigma(I) = I$ . Set of all symmetric and skew-symmetric elements of  $R$  is defined as  $Sa_{\sigma}(R) = \{x \in R / \sigma(x) = \pm x\}$ . we shall use the basic commutator identities:  $[xy, z] = x[y, z] + [x, z]y$  and  $[x, yz] = y[x, z] + x[y, z]$ . An additive mapping  $d$  from  $R$  to itself is a derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ . holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ . An additive mapping  $d$  from  $R$  to itself said to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$  hold for all  $x, y \in R$ . A mapping  $F: R \rightarrow R$  is said to be centralizing on a subset  $S$  of  $R$  if  $[F(s), s] \in Z(R)$  for all  $s \in S$ , where  $Z(R)$  denotes the center of  $R$ ; In the special case where  $[F(s), s] = 0$  for all  $s$  in  $S$ , the mapping  $F$  is said to be commuting on  $S$ .

The history of commuting and centralizing mapping goes back to 1955 when Divinsky [1] prove that simple artinian ring is commutative if it has commuting non-trivial automorphism. Two years later Posner [2] have proved that the existence of non-zero centralizing derivation on a prime ring forces Ring to be commutative (Posner's second theorem). Mayne [3] prove the analogous result for centralizing automorphisms. P. H. Lee and T.K. Lee [4] have shown that if a prime ring of characteristic different from two has a non-zero derivation  $d$  satisfying  $[d(R), d(R)]$  then  $R$  is commutative. Joso Vukman [5] have shown that a prime ring of characteristic not two possessing a non-zero derivation  $D$  from  $R$  to itself such that  $x \rightarrow [D(x), x]$  is commuting on  $R$  then  $R$  is commutative. M. Bresar [6] describe the structure of arbitrary additive mapping which is centralizing on a prime ring. Later L. oukhtite and S. Salhi proved some conditions under which derivations of  $\sigma$ -prime ring are commutative (Refer [7], [8]). These results are motivation for our results.

We prove the following results

3. MAIN RESULTS

**Lemma: 1** Let  $I$  be a non-zero  $\sigma$ -ideal of  $\sigma$ -prime ring  $R$  and  $d$  be a  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation on  $R$  which commutes with  $\sigma$ , If  $[d(x), x] = 0. \forall x \in I$  then  $R$  is commutative.

**Proof:** By Hypothesis  $[d(x), x] = 0$  (1)

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Linearizing equation (1) we get

$$[d(x+y), x+y] = 0.$$

$$[d(x)+d(y), x+y] = 0.$$

$$[d(x),y]+ [d(y), x] = 0. \tag{2}$$

Replace  $y$  by  $yx$  and  $d \neq 0$  be a  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation.

$$[d(x), yx] + [d(yx), x] = 0.$$

$$[d(x), y]x + y[d(x), x] + [d(y)\alpha(x) + \beta(y)d(x), x] = 0.$$

$$[d(x), y]x + [d(y) \alpha(x), x] + [\beta(y)d(x), x] = 0.$$

$$[d(x), y]x + d(y)[\alpha(x), x] + [d(y), x] \alpha(x) + \beta(y) [d(x), x] + [\beta(y), x]d(x). \tag{3}$$

Replace  $\alpha(x)$  by  $x$  in (3) and using (2) we obtain

$$[\beta(y), x]d(x) = 0. \tag{4}$$

For any  $r \in R$ , Replacing  $y$  by  $ry$  in above equation

$$[\beta(ry), x]d(x) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow [\beta(r)\beta y), x]d(x) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(r) [\beta y), x]d(x) + [\beta(r), x]\beta(y)d(x) = 0 \tag{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow [\beta(r), x] \beta(y)d(x) = 0 \quad \forall r \in R, x, y \in I. \text{ (By (4))}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \beta^{-1}([\beta(r), x]) I \beta^{-1}(d(x)) = 0. \quad \forall x \in I, r \in R.$$

Since  $d$  commutes with  $\sigma$  and  $I$  is  $\sigma$ -ideal of  $R$  we have

$$0 = \beta^{-1}([\beta(r), x]) I \beta^{-1}(d(x)) = \beta^{-1}([\beta(r), x]) I \beta^{-1}(\sigma(d(x))).$$

By Lemma 1 of [7] we obtain  $\beta^{-1}[\beta(r), x] = 0$  or  $\beta^{-1}(d(x)) = 0$ .

**Case -1:** if  $\beta^{-1}[\beta(r), x] = 0 \quad \forall x \in I, r \in R$ .

Then  $[\beta(r), x] = 0$  (since  $\beta$  is automorphism).

Since  $\beta$  is automorphism, this implies that  $I$  central and hence  $R$  is commutative.

**Lemma: 2** Let  $d$  be a  $(\alpha, \beta)$  - derivation of  $\sigma$ -prime ring  $R$  satisfies  $d\sigma = \pm \sigma d$  and let  $I$  be a non-zero  $\sigma$ -ideal of  $R$ . If  $d^2(I) = 0$  then  $d = 0$ .

**Proof:** for any  $x \in I$   $d^2(x) = 0$ .

Replacing  $x$  by  $xy$  we obtain

$$d^2(xy) = 0 \text{ that is } d(d(xy)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d^2(x) \alpha^2(y) + \beta(d(x)) d(\alpha(y)) + d(\beta(x)) \alpha(d(y)) + \beta^2(x) d^2(y) = 0.$$

The fact that  $d^2(I) = 0$  we get

$$\beta(d(x)) d(\alpha(y)) + d(\beta(x)) \alpha(d(y)) = 0. \tag{5}$$

If we assume that  $\beta d = d\beta, d\alpha = \alpha d$ . Then (5) is reduced to

$$2 \beta (d(x)) d(\alpha(y)) = 0 \text{ imply that } \beta(d(x)) d(\alpha(y)) = 0 \text{ (since char } R \neq 2) \tag{6}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $xz$  in (6) where  $z \in I$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta (d(xz)) \alpha(d(y)) &= 0. \text{ (d commutes with } \alpha) \\ &= \beta (d(x) \alpha(z) + \beta(x)d(z)) \alpha(d(y)) \\ &= \beta (d(x)) \beta (\alpha(z)) \alpha(d(y)) + \beta^2 (x) \beta(d(z)) \alpha(d(y)) \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $d(z)$  we get

$$\Rightarrow \beta (d(x)) \beta (\alpha (d(z))) \alpha(d(y)) + \beta^2 (x) \beta(d^2 (z)) \alpha(d(y)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta (d(x)) \beta (\alpha(d(z))) \alpha(d(y)) = 0. \text{ (since } d^2 (z) = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta^{-1} (\beta (d(x)) \beta (\alpha(d(z))) \alpha(d(y))) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x) \alpha(d(z)) \beta^{-1}(\alpha(d(y))) = 0. \forall x \in U.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(U) \alpha(d(z)) \beta^{-1}(\alpha(d(y))) = 0$$

Now we use the following lemma without proof

Let  $d$  be a non-zero derivation of 2-torsion free  $\sigma$ -prime ring  $R$  which commutes with  $\sigma$  and  $U \not\subset Z(R)$  be a  $\sigma$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ . If  $t \in R$  verifies  $td(U) = 0$ . Or  $d(u)t = 0$  then  $t = 0$ . and hence

$$\alpha(d(z)) \beta^{-1}(\alpha(d(y))) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta (\alpha(d(z))) R\alpha(d(y)) = 0.$$

since  $d$  commutes with  $\sigma$  and  $I$  is  $\sigma$ - ideal we have  $\beta(\alpha(d(z))) R \alpha(d(y)) = \beta(\alpha(d(z))) R \alpha(\sigma (d(y))) = 0$ .

By the definition of  $\sigma$ -prime ring we have either  $\beta(\alpha(d(z))) = 0$ . Or  $\alpha(d(y)) = 0$ .

If  $\alpha(d(y)) = 0$  then  $d(y) = 0 \forall y \in I$  (since  $\alpha$  is automorphism)

Replace  $y$  by  $yr$  we have then

$$d(yr) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(y) \alpha(r) + \beta(y)d(r) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta (y)d(r) = 0. \text{ (d(y) = 0)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta^{-1} (\beta (y) d(r)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow IRd(r) = 0. \forall r \in R.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(r) = 0. \forall r \in R. \text{ This implies } d = 0.$$

**Lemma: 3** Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be  $(\alpha, \beta)$  -derivations of  $R$  such that  $d_1\sigma = \pm \sigma d_1$  and  $d_2\sigma = \pm \sigma d_2$ . and  $d_1$  commutes with  $\beta$ . If  $I \neq 0$  is a  $\sigma$ - ideal of  $R$  such that  $d_2(I) \subset I$  and  $d_1 d_2(I) = 0$  then  $d_1 = 0$  or  $d_2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** Let  $u, v \in I$  then

$$0 = d_1 d_2(uv) = d_1(d_2(u) \alpha(v) + \beta (u) d_2(v))$$

Again applying  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation  $d_1$  then

$$= d_1(d_2(u)) \alpha^2(v) + \beta(d_2(u)) d_1(\alpha(v)) + d_1(\beta(u)) \alpha(d_2(v)) + \beta^2(u)d_1d_2(v).$$

Using the hypothesis the above equation can be written as

$$\beta(d_2(u)) d_1(\alpha(v)) + d_1(\beta(u)) \alpha(d_2(v)) = 0.$$

$$\text{Replacing } \alpha(v) \text{ by } d_2(v) \text{ in the above equation we get } d_1(\beta(u))\alpha(d_2(v)) = 0 \tag{7}$$

Replacing  $v$  by  $vw$  where  $w \in I$  in equation (7) we get

$$\Rightarrow d_1(\beta(u)) \alpha(d_2(vw)) = 0 .$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1(\beta(u)) \alpha(d_2(v) \alpha(w) + \beta(v)d_2(w)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1(\beta(u))\alpha(d_2(v))\alpha^2(w) + d_1(\beta(u))\alpha(\beta(v)d_2(w)) = 0. \tag{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1(\beta(u)) \alpha(\beta(v)) \alpha(d_2(w)) = 0. \text{ (By (7))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(d_1(\beta(u))) R d_2(w) = 0. \forall u, w \in I \tag{9}$$

Now consider  $\sigma(d_2(w)) = d_2(\sigma(w)) = d_2(w)$  (since  $I$  is  $\sigma$  ideal.)

Since  $R$  is  $\sigma$ -prime then from equation (9) we obtain

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(d_1(\beta(u)))R d_2(w) = 0 = \alpha^{-1}(d_1(\beta(u)))R \sigma(d_2(w))$$

By the definition of  $\sigma$ -prime we obtain either  $\alpha^{-1}(d_1(\beta(u))) = 0$  or  $d_2(w) = 0$

**Case - 1:** If  $\alpha^{-1}(d_1(\beta(u))) = 0$  then

$$(d_1(\beta(u))) = 0 \text{ (since } \alpha^{-1} \text{ is an automorphism)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(d_1(u)) = 0 \forall u \in I. (d_1 \text{ commutes with } \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1(u) = 0 \forall u \in I.$$

For any  $r \in R$  we have  $d_1(ur) = 0$  then  $d_1(u)\alpha(r) + \beta(u)d_1(r) = 0$

Since  $d_1(u) = 0 \forall u \in I$  the above equation reduces to  $\beta(u)d_1(r) = 0$ .

$$\beta^{-1}(\beta(u) d_1(r)) = 0 = I \beta^{-1}(d_1(r)) = 0.$$

Since  $I$  is non-zero the last relation yields  $d_1(r) = 0 \forall r \in R$ . Hence  $d_1 = 0$ .

Similarly for any  $r \in R$   $d_2(wr) = 0$  then  $\beta(w)d_2(r) = 0$ . (Using definition of  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation).

$$\beta^{-1}(\beta(w) d_2(r)) = 0 = I d_2(r) = 0.$$

Since  $I \neq 0$  the last relation yields  $d_2(r) = 0 \forall r \in R$  ie  $d_2 = 0$  on  $R$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $R$  be a  $\sigma$ -prime ring with characteristic  $\neq 2$ .  $I$  be a non-zero  $\sigma$ -ideal of  $R$  and  $d$  be a non-zero  $(\alpha, \beta)$  derivation of  $R$  which commutes with  $\sigma$ . If  $[d(x), x] \in Z(R) \forall x \in I$  then  $R$  is commutative.

**Proof:** Let  $[d(x), x] \in Z(R) \forall x \in I$

$$\text{By linearizing above equation we get } [d(x), y] + [d(y), x] \in Z(R) \forall x, y \in I. \tag{10}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $x^2$  in (10) we have  $[d(x), x^2] + [d(x) \alpha(x) + \beta(x)d(x), x] \in Z(R) \forall x \in I$

So  $[d(x), x] \alpha(x) \in Z(R)$ . For any  $r \in R$  we have that

$$\alpha(r)\alpha(x) [d(x), x] = \alpha(x) [d(x), x] \alpha(r) = \alpha(x) \alpha(r) [d(x), x].$$

$$[\alpha(x), \alpha(r)][d(x), x] = 0 \tag{11}$$

Since  $[d(x), x] \in Z(R)$ , we get from (11)

$$[\alpha(x), \alpha(r)] R[d(x), x] = 0. \text{ Also, } I \text{ is } \sigma\text{-ideal so } \sigma([d(x), x]) = [d(x), x].$$

By  $\sigma$ -primeness of  $R$  we get either  $[\alpha(x), \alpha(r)] = 0$  or  $[d(x), x] = 0$

**Case - 1:** If  $[d(x), x] = 0$  then by lemma 3 of [7]  $R$  is commutative.

**Case - 2:** If  $[\alpha(x), \alpha(r)] = 0$  then  $\alpha(x) \alpha(r) - \alpha(r) \alpha(x) = 0$ .

$$\alpha(xr) - \alpha(rx) = \alpha[x, r] = 0 \quad \forall x \in I, r \in R.$$

Since  $\alpha \neq 0$  is automorphism we get  $[x, r] = 0 \quad \forall x \in I, r \in R$ .

Therefore  $I \subseteq Z(R)$ . Replacing  $r$  by  $rs$ , where  $r, s \in R$  in the above equation we get

$$[x, rs] = 0. \text{ Expanding this equation we get } rsx = rxs = srx$$

We conclude that  $[r, s]x = 0$  then  $[r, s] I = 0. \quad \forall r, s \in R$ .

$$[r, s] = 0 \quad \forall r, s \in R. (I \neq 0)$$

Hence  $R$  is commutative.

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