

ORTHOGONALITY OF GENERALIZED DERIVATIONS  
ON SEMIPRIME NONACCESSIBLE RINGS

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ABSTRACT

This paper gives the properties of orthogonal generalized derivations of semiprime nonaccessible rings. We prove that if  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are generalized derivations of  $R$ , then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are orthogonal.
- (ii) For all  $x, y \in R$ , the following relations hold: (a)  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$  (b)  $d(x)G(y) + g(x)D(y) = 0$
- (iii)  $D(x)G(y) = d(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  (iv)  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $dG = dg = 0$  (v)  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation and  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$
- (iv) There exist ideals  $U$  and  $V$  of  $R$  such that (a)  $U \cap V = 0$  and  $U \oplus V$  is an essential ideal of  $R$ .  
(b)  $D(R), d(R) \subset U$  and  $G(R), g(R) \subseteq V$  (c)  $D(V) = d(V) = 0$  and  $G(U) = g(U) = 0$ .

Also we prove that the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation.
- (ii)  $(GD, gd)$  is a generalized derivation.
- (iii)  $D$  and  $g$  are orthogonal, and  $G$  and  $d$  are orthogonal.

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INTRODUCTION:

Argac, Nakajima and Albas [2] proved some results concerning orthogonal generalized derivations of semiprime associative rings. Albas [1] generalized some results of [2] for a nonzero ideal of a semiprime associative ring. Vijaya lakshmi and Suvarna [4] obtained some results for Orthogonality of derivations and biderivations in Semiprime Accessible ring. Also these results are a generalization of results of Bresar and Vukman [3].

In this paper, we prove the properties of orthogonal generalized derivations of semiprime nonaccessible rings. If  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are generalized derivations of  $R$ , then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are orthogonal.
- (ii) For all  $x, y \in R$ , the following relations hold : (a)  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$  (b)  $d(x)G(y) + g(x)D(y) = 0$
- (iii)  $D(x)G(y) = d(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  (iv)  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $dG = dg = 0$  (v)  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation and  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$
- (iv) There exist ideals  $U$  and  $V$  of  $R$  such that (a)  $U \cap V = 0$  and  $U \oplus V$  is an essential ideal of  $R$ . (b)  $D(R), d(R) \subset U$  and  $G(R), g(R) \subseteq V$  (c)  $D(V) = d(V) = 0$  and  $G(U) = g(U) = 0$ .

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- (i) (DG, dg) is a generalized derivation.
- (ii) (GD, gd) is a generalized derivation.
- (iii) D and g are orthogonal, and G and d are orthogonal.

A ring R is nonaccessible if the following two identities hold:

$$(x, y, z) + (y, z, x) + (z, x, y) = 0 \text{ and} \\
((w, x), y, z) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \text{ in } R.$$

### PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper R represents nonaccessible ring. R is prime if  $xRy = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$  and R is semiprime if  $xRx = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ . An additive mapping  $d: R \rightarrow R$  is a derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . An additive mapping  $D: R \rightarrow R$  is said to be a generalized derivation if there exists a derivation  $d: R \rightarrow R$  such that  $D(xy) = D(x)y + xd(y)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . If U is an ideal of a ring R, then  $\text{Ann}(U) = \{x \in R / xU = Ux = 0\}$  is called an Annihilator of U on R. Two generalized derivations (D, d) and (G, g) of R are called orthogonal if  $D(x)RG(y) = 0 = G(y)RD(x)$  for all  $x, y$  in R. A ring R is defined to be accessible if it satisfies the following two identities:

$$(x, y, z) + (z, x, y) - (x, z, y) = 0 \text{ or } (x, y, z) + (y, z, x) + (z, x, y) = 0 \text{ and } ((w, x), y, z) = 0, \text{ for all } w, x, y, z \in R.$$

**Lemma 1:** If (D, d) and (G, g) are orthogonal generalized derivations of a semiprime nonaccessible ring, then the following relations hold.

- i)  $D(x)G(y) = G(x)D(y) = 0$ , hence  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- ii) d and G are orthogonal, and  $d(x)G(y) = G(y)d(x) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- iii) g and D are orthogonal, and  $g(x)D(y) = D(y)g(x) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- iv) d and g are orthogonal derivations.
- v)  $dG = Gd = 0$  and  $gD = Dg = 0$ .
- vi)  $DG = GD = 0$ .

**Proof:**

(i) By the hypothesis we have

$$D(x)zG(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \tag{1}$$

By ([4] lemma 1), we have

$$D(x)G(y) = G(x)D(y) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{2}$$

Hence  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

(ii) From (1) we have  $D(x)G(y) = 0 = G(y)D(x)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . (3)

Now we substitute  $x = rx$  in the equation (3). Then  $0 = D(rx)G(y)$ .

$$0 = (D(r)x)G(y) + (rd(x))G(y).$$

By ([4] lemma 2), we have  $D(r)xG(y) + (rd(x))G(y) = 0$ .

By using (1), we get  $(rd(x))G(y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y, r \in R$ . (4)

Similarly we write  $x = rx$  in  $G(y)D(x) = 0$ .

So  $G(y)D(rx) = 0$ .

i.e.,  $G(y)(D(r)x + rd(x)) = 0$ .

$$G(y)(D(r)x) + G(y)(rd(x)) = 0.$$

From (3), we have  $G(y)(rd(x)) = 0$ .

By using ([4] lemma 2), (4) and this last equation imply that

$$rd(x)G(y) = 0 \tag{5}$$

$$\text{and } G(y)rd(x) = 0. \tag{6}$$

By left multiplying equation (5) with  $d(x)G(y)$ , we have

$$d(x)G(y)rd(x)G(y) = 0.$$

Since R is semiprime,  $d(x)G(y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . (7)

Now we take  $x = xr$  in the equation (7). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(xr)G(y) &= 0, \text{ for all } x, r, y \in R. \\ (d(x)r)G(y) + (xd(r))G(y) &= 0. \\ d(x)rG(y) + xd(r)G(y) &= 0, \text{ by ([4] lemma 2).} \end{aligned}$$

By using (7) in this last equation, we get  $d(x)rG(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

From (6) and this equation it follows that d and G are orthogonal.

Also by ([4] lemma 1), we obtain  $G(y)d(x) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . This prove (ii). The proof of (iii) is similar.

(iv) From (2), we use the relation  $D(x)G(y) = 0$ .

Now we substitute  $x = xz, y = yw$  in the last equation. Then

$$\begin{aligned} D(xz)G(yw) &= 0. \\ (D(x)z + xd(z))(G(y)w + yg(w)) &= 0. \\ (D(x)z)(G(y)w) + (D(x)z)(yg(w)) + (xd(z))(G(y)w) + (xd(z))(yg(w)) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By ([4] lemma 2),  $D(x)zG(y)w + D(x)zyg(w) + xd(z)G(y)w + xd(z)yg(w) = 0$ .

Thus we get  $xd(z)yg(w) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z, w \in R$  by (i),(ii) and (iii).

By left multiplying with  $d(z)yg(w)$  in this last equation, we have

$$d(z)yg(w)xd(z)yg(w) = 0.$$

Since R is semiprime,  $d(z)yg(w) = 0$  for all  $y, z, w \in R$  which shows that d and g are orthogonal.

(v), (vi) Using (ii) and (iv) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= G(d(x)zG(y)) \\ 0 &= G(d(x))zG(y) + d(x)g(zG(y)) \\ 0 &= G(d(x))zG(y). \end{aligned}$$

We replace y by  $d(x)$  in the above relation. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(d(x))zG(d(x)) &= 0. \\ \text{i.e., } Gd(x)zGd(x) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since R is semiprime,  $Gd = 0$ .

Similarly, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned} d(G(x)zd(y)) = 0, D(g(x)zD(y)) = 0, \\ g(D(x)zg(y)) = 0, D(G(x)zD(y)) = 0 \text{ and } G(D(x)zG(y)) = 0 \text{ holds for all } x, y, z \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $dG = Dg = DG = GD = 0$ , respectively.

This completes the proof of the lemma.

By lemma 1, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 1:** If (D, d) and (G, g) are orthogonal generalized derivations of semiprime nonaccessible ring R, then dg is a derivation and  $(DG, dg) = (0,0)$  is a generalized derivation.

**Lemma 2:** Let R be a semiprime nonaccessible ring. Let U be an ideal of R and  $V = \text{Ann}(U)$ . If (D, d) is a generalized derivation of R such that  $D(R), d(R) \subset U$ , then  $D(V) = d(V) = 0$ .

**Proof:** By hypothesis we have  $V = \text{Ann}(U) = \{U \in R / xU = Ux = 0\}$  for all  $x \in V$  and  $D(R), d(R) \subset U$ . This implies  $D(U), d(U) \subset U$ , for all  $U \in R$ . Since (D, d) is a generalized derivation of R, we have  $0 = D(xy) = D(x)y + xd(y)$  for all  $y \in U$ .

Since  $xd(y) \in V$ , we have  $0 = D(x)y$  for all  $y \in U$ ,

Therefore  $D(x) \subset V$  for all  $x \in V$ .

So  $D(x) \in U \cap V$ .

By right multiplying with  $D(x)$  in  $0 = D(x)y$ , we get

$$D(x)yD(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Since  $R$  is semiprime,  $D(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in V$ .

Thus  $D(V) = 0$ . Similarly we obtain  $d(V) = 0$ .

**Theorem 1:** Let  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  be generalized derivations of a semiprime nonaccessible ring  $R$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- i)  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are orthogonal.
- ii) For all  $x, y \in R$ , the following relations hold :
  - a)  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$ .
  - b)  $d(x)G(y) + g(x)D(y) = 0$ .
- iii)  $D(x)G(y) = d(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- iv)  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $dG = dg = 0$ .
- v)  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation and  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- vi) There exist ideals  $U$  and  $V$  of  $R$  such that
  - (a)  $U \cap V = 0$  and  $U \oplus V$  is an essential ideal of  $R$ .
  - (b)  $D(R), d(R) \subset U$  and  $G(R), g(R) \subseteq V$ .
  - (c)  $D(V) = d(V) = 0$  and  $G(U) = g(U) = 0$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) are proved by lemma 1 and corollary 1

Now we prove (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

From (ii) (a), we have  $D(x)G(y) + G(x)D(y) = 0$ .

By replacing  $x$  by  $xz$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} D(xz)G(y) + G(xz)D(y) &= 0. \\ (D(x)z + xd(z))G(y) + (G(x)z + xg(z))D(y) &= 0. \\ (D(x)z)G(y) + (xd(z))G(y) + (G(x)z)D(y) + (xg(z))D(y) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 2, we have  $D(x)zG(y) + xd(z)G(y) + G(x)zd(y) + xg(z)d(y) = 0$ .

Using (ii) (b) we have  $D(x)zG(y) + G(x)zD(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

Thus by ([4] equation (1)), we have

$$D(x)RG(y) = G(y)RD(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Hence  $D$  and  $G$  are orthogonal, which proves (i)

Next we prove (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

By (iii), we have  $D(x)G(y) = 0 = d(x)G(y)$ .

Now we replace  $x$  and  $xz$  in  $D(x)G(y) = 0$ . Then we get  $D(xz)G(y) = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (D(x)z)G(y) + (xd(z))G(y) &= 0. \\ D(x)zG(y) + xd(z)G(y) &= 0, \text{ by ([4] lemma 2).} \\ D(x)zG(y) &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \end{aligned}$$

So  $D$  and  $G$  are orthogonal which proves (i).

We prove (iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

By (iv), we have  $D(x)G(y) = 0$ .

Since  $dG = dg = 0$ , we have  $dG(x) = 0$ .

Now by taking  $x=xy$  in the above equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} dG(xy) &= 0. \\ d(G(x)y + xg(y)) &= 0. \\ d(G(x)y) + d(xg(y)) &= 0. \\ d(G(x))y + G(x)d(y) + d(x)g(y) + xd(g(y)) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 1,  $dG(x)y + G(x)d(y) + d(x)g(y) + xdg(y) = 0$ .

By (iv) and lemma 1 (iv), we get  $G(x)d(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Now we substitute  $x=z$  in the above equation. Then

$$\begin{aligned} G(xz)d(y) &= 0 \\ (G(x)z)d(y) + (xg(z))d(y) &= 0 \\ G(x)zd(y) + xg(z)d(y) &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R, \text{ by ([4] lemma 2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Then by lemma 1, we have  $d$  and  $g$  are orthogonal.

Therefore  $G(x)zd(y) = 0$ .

Hence we get  $d(y)G(x) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ , by ([4] lemma 1).

Then by lemma 1 (iii), we have  $g(x)D(y) = 0$ .

From this last equation and  $d(y)G(x) = 0$ , we get  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  are orthogonal generalized derivations.

Next (v)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

Since  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation,  $dg$  is a derivation. Then we obtain

$$DG(xy) = DG(x)y + xdg(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{8}$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} DG(xy) &= D(G(x)y + xg(y)) = D(G(x)y) + D(xg(y)). \\ DG(xy) &= D(G(x))y + G(x)d(y) + D(x)g(y) + xd(g(y)). \\ DG(xy) &= DG(x)y + G(x)d(y) + D(x)g(y) + xdg(y). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Comparing the (8) and (9), we get

$$G(x)d(y) + D(x)g(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

We have  $D(x)G(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Then by substituting  $y = yz$  in the last equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} D(x)G(yz) &= 0. \\ D(x)(G(y)z) + D(x)(yg(z)) &= 0. \\ D(x)G(y)z + D(x)yg(z) &= 0. \\ D(x)yg(z) &= 0 \text{ for } x, y, z \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by ([4] lemma 1), we obtain  $g(z)D(x) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

Replacing  $z$  by  $yz$  in the last relation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(yz)D(x) &= 0. \\ (g(y)z)D(x) + (yg(z))D(x) &= 0. \\ g(y)zD(x) + yg(z)D(x) &= 0. \\ g(y)zD(x) &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \end{aligned}$$

By ([4] lemma 1), we have  $D(x)g(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Similarly, this last equation implies  $G(x)d(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

This shows that  $d(y)G(x) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Therefore by (iii) it follows that  $D$  and  $G$  are orthogonal.

Now we prove (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi)

Let  $U_0$  be the ideal of  $R$  generated by  $d(R) \cup D(R)$ .

Let  $\text{Ann}(U_0) = V$  and  $\text{Ann}(V) = U$ .

By lemma 1, we have  $D(x)G(y) = G(x)D(y) = 0$ ,

$$d(x)G(y) = g(x)D(y) = 0 \text{ and } d(x)g(y) = g(y)d(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Since  $D(R), d(R) \subset U_0$ , we obtain  $G(R), g(R) \subset V$ .

It is seen that by lemma 2 and  $U_0 \subset V$ , we have

$$D(V) = d(V) = 0 \text{ and } G(U) = g(U) = 0.$$

Since  $R$  is semiprime,  $U \oplus V$  is an essential ideal of  $R$ , which shows (vi).

**Theorem 2:** Let  $(D, d)$  and  $(G, g)$  be generalized derivations of a semiprime nonaccessible ring  $R$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- 1)  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation.
- 2)  $(GD, gd)$  is a generalized derivation.
- 3)  $D$  and  $g$  are orthogonal and  $G$  and  $d$  are orthogonal.

**Proof:** First we prove (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii)

Now we prove (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii).

First we assume that  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation.

Thus as in the proof of the theorem 1 (v)  $\Rightarrow$  (i), we obtain

$$G(x)d(y) + D(x)g(y) = 0.$$

By substituting  $y = yz$  in the above relation, where  $z \in R$ , we get

$$G(x)d(yz) + D(x)g(yz) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

$$G(x)d(y)z + G(x)yd(z) + D(x)g(y)z + D(x)yg(z) = 0.$$

$$G(x)yd(z) + D(x)yg(z) + (G(x)d(y) + D(x)g(y))z = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e., } G(x)yd(z) + D(x)yg(z) = 0.$$

(10)

Since  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation,  $dg$  is a derivation.

Therefore  $d$  and  $g$  are orthogonal by theorem 1.

Now we substitute  $y = g(z)y$  in (10). Then we have

$$0 = G(x)g(z)yd(z) + D(x)g(z)yg(z).$$

$$0 = D(x)g(z)yg(z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

Hence we get  $D(x)g(z)RD(x)g(z) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

Since  $R$  is semiprime,  $D(x)g(z) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

Thus  $D(x)yg(z) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

From (10) we have  $G(x)yd(z) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

By ([4] lemma 1), we have  $G(x)d(z) = 0$ .

Hence  $D(x)g(z) = G(x)d(z) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

So  $D$  and  $g$  are orthogonal and  $G$  and  $d$  are orthogonal.

Next we prove (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

Since  $D$  and  $g$  are orthogonal, we get  $D(x)yg(z) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

(11)

We substitute  $rx$  for  $x$  in the last relation. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= D(rx)yg(y). \\0 &= (D(r)x + rd(x))yg(z). \\0 &= D(r)xyg(z) + rd(x)yg(z). \\0 &= rd(x)yg(z), \text{ using (11).}\end{aligned}$$

By left multiplying with  $d(x)yg(z)$  in this last equation, we get  
 $d(x)yg(z)rd(x)yg(z) = 0$ .

Since  $R$  is a semiprime, we have  $d(x)yg(z) = 0$ .

From ([4] lemma 1), we get  $d(x)g(z) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

Thus by theorem 1, we get  $dg$  is a derivation.

Moreover since  $D(x)yg(z) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .

We also get  $D(x)(g(z)RD(x))g(z) = 0$  and since  $R$  is semiprime,  $D(x)g(z) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in R$ .

Similarly, since  $G$  and  $d$  are orthogonal, we have  $G(x)d(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Thus we obtain  $DG(xy) = DG(x)y + xdg(y)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ , which shows that  $(DG, dg)$  is a generalized derivation.

Similarly (ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) is proved.

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