

A PAIR OF GENERALIZED (σ, τ) n – DERIVATIONS IN PRIME NEAR RINGS

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this paper is to study generalized (σ, τ) n – derivations satisfying certain identities on semigroup ideals of a prime near ring. Some well known results characterizing commutativity of 3-prime near rings by n – derivations have been generalized using semigroup ideals.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout the paper, N denotes a zero-symmetric left near ring with multiplicative centre Z ; and for any pair of elements $x, y \in N$, $[x, y] = xy - yx$ and $(x, y) = x + y - x - y$ stand for the commutator and additive commutator respectively. Let σ and τ be mappings on N . For any $x, y \in N$, set the symbol $[x, y]_{\sigma, \tau}$ will denote $x\sigma(y) - \tau(y)x$, while the symbol $(x \circ y)_{\sigma, \tau}$ will denote $x\sigma(y) + \tau(y)x$. A near ring N is called zero-symmetric if $0x = 0$, for all $x \in N$ (recall that left distributivity yields that $x0 = 0$). The near ring N is said to be 3-prime if $xNy = \{0\}$ for $x, y \in N$ implies that $x = 0$ or $y = 0$. A near ring N is called 2-torsion free if $(N, +)$ has no element of order 2. A nonempty subset U of N is called a semigroup right (resp. semigroup left) ideal if $UN \subseteq U$ (resp. $NU \subseteq U$); and if U is both a semigroup right ideal and a semigroup left ideal, it is called a semigroup ideal. Let $n \geq 2$ be a fixed positive integer and $N^n = N \times N \times \dots \times N_{\{n\text{-times}\}}$. A map $\Delta: N^n \rightarrow N$ is said to be permuting on a near ring N if the relation $\Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \Delta(x_{\pi(1)}, x_{\pi(2)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n)})$ holds for all $x_i \in N$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and for every permutation $\pi \in S_n$, where S_n is the permutation group on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. An additive mapping $f: N \rightarrow N$ is said to be a right (resp. left) generalized derivation with associated derivation d if $F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y)$ (resp. $F(xy) = d(x)y + xF(y)$), for all $x, y \in N$ and F is said to be a generalized derivation with associated derivation d on N if it is both a right generalized derivation and a left generalized derivation on N with associated derivation d .

Ozturk et al. [6] and Park et al. [8] studied bi-derivations and tri-derivations in near rings. A mapping $d: N \times N \rightarrow N$ is said to be symmetric (permuting) on a near ring N if $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in N$. A symmetric bi-additive mapping $d: N \times N \rightarrow N$ (additive in each argument) is said to be a symmetric bi-derivation on N if $d(xy, z) = d(x, z)y + xd(y, z)$ holds for all $x, y, z \in N$. A permuting tri-additive map $\Delta: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is said to be a permuting tri-derivation on N if

$$\Delta(xw, y, z) = \Delta(x, y, z)w + x\Delta(w, y, z)$$

is fulfilled for all $w, x, y, z \in N$.

Very recently Park [7] defined n -derivation in rings. Let σ, τ be endomorphisms on N . An additive mapping $d: N \rightarrow N$ is said to be a (σ, τ) derivation if $d(xy) = \sigma(x)d(y) + d(x)\tau(y)$, (or equivalently $d(xy) = d(x)\tau(y) + \sigma(x)d(y)$) for all $x, y \in N$. The notions of symmetric bi- (σ, τ) derivation and tri- (σ, τ) derivation have already been introduced and studied in near-rings by Ceven [3] and Ozturk [5], respectively. Motivated by the concept of tri-derivation in rings, Park [7] introduced the notion of n -derivation in rings. An n -additive (i.e. additive in each argument) mapping $d: N \times N \times \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ is called (σ, τ) - n -derivation of N if there exist automorphisms $\sigma, \tau: N \rightarrow N$ such that the equations

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$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1 x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_1) + \tau(x_1) d(x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ d(x_1, x_2 x'_2, \dots, x_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_2) + \tau(x_2) d(x_1, x'_2, \dots, x_n) \\ &\vdots \\ d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n x'_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_n) + \tau(x_n) d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_n) \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $x_1, x'_1, x_2, x'_2, \dots, x_n, x'_n \in N$.

Majeed and Adhab [4] defined Generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation in near rings. An n -additive mapping $F: N \times N \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ is called a right generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N if the relations

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_1 x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_1) + \tau(x_1) d(x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ F(x_1, x_2 x'_2, \dots, x_n) &= F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_2) + \tau(x_2) d(x_1, x'_2, \dots, x_n) \\ &\vdots \\ F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n x'_n) &= F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_n) + \tau(x_n) d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_n) \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $x_1, x'_1, x_2, x'_2, \dots, x_n, x'_n \in N$.

An n -additive mapping $F: N \times N \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ is called a left generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N if the relations

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_1 x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_1) + \tau(x_1) F(x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ F(x_1, x_2 x'_2, \dots, x_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_2) + \tau(x_2) F(x_1, x'_2, \dots, x_n) \\ &\vdots \\ F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n x'_n) &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_n) + \tau(x_n) F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_n) \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $x_1, x'_1, x_2, x'_2, \dots, x_n, x'_n \in N$.

A mapping $F: N^n \rightarrow N$ is called a generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with (σ, τ) n -derivation on N if F is both a right generalized and a left generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation with associated (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N .

2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We begin with several Lemmas, most of which have been proved elsewhere.

Lemma 2.1: [1, Lemmas 1.2] Let N be 3-prime near ring.

- (i) If $z \in Z \setminus \{0\}$, then z is not a zero divisor.
- (ii) If $Z \setminus \{0\}$ and x is an element of N for which $xz \in Z$, then $x \in Z$.

Lemma 2.2: [1, Lemmas 1.3 and Lemma 1.4] Let N be 3-prime near ring and U be a nonzero semigroup ideal of N .

- (i) If $x, y \in N$ and $xUy = \{0\}$, then $x = 0$ or $y = 0$.
- (ii) If $x \in N$ and $xU = \{0\}$ or $Ux = \{0\}$, then $x = 0$.

Lemma 2.3: [1, Lemma 1.5] If N is a 3-prime near ring and Z contains a nonzero semigroup left ideal or a nonzero semigroup right ideal, then N is a commutative ring.

Lemma 2.4: [4, Lemma 2.9] If N is a 3-prime near ring admitting a generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation F associated with a (σ, τ) n -derivation d of N , then

$$\begin{aligned} (d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_1) + \tau(x_1) F(x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) y &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_1) y + \tau(x_1) F(x'_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) y, \\ (d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_2) + \tau(x_2) F(x_1, x'_2, \dots, x_n)) y &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_2) y + \tau(x_2) F(x_1, x'_2, \dots, x_n) y; \\ &\vdots \\ (d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_n) + \tau(x_n) F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_n)) y &= d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x'_n) y + \tau(x_n) F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_n) y \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1, x_2, x'_2, \dots, x_n, x'_n, y \in N$.

Lemma 2.5: [2, Lemma 4] Let N be an arbitrary near ring. Let S and T be non-empty subsets of N such that $st = -ts$ for all $s \in S$ and $t \in T$. If $a, b \in S$ and c is an element of T for which $-c \in T$, then $(ab)c = c(ab)$.

Lemma 2.6: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If d is a nonzero (σ, τ) n -derivation on N , then $d(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \neq \{0\}$.

Proof: Let

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n. \quad (2.1)$$

Replacing u_1 by $u_1 r_1$, where $r_1 \in N$ in (2.1), we get

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \sigma(r_1) + \tau(u_1) d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$$

and using (2.1), we get $\tau(u_1) d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$. Since $\tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$U_1 d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0.$$

Using Lemma 2.2(ii), we obtain

$$d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0. \quad (2.2)$$

Replacing u_2 by $u_2 r_2$, where $r_2 \in N$ in (2.2), we find

$$d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \sigma(r_2) + \tau(u_2) d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$$

and using (2.2), we get $\tau(u_2) d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$ i.e. $U_2 d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$.

Another application of by Lemma 2.2(ii) yields that $d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$. Proceeding as above inductively, we conclude that $d(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) = 0$ for all $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in N$, a contradiction which completes the proof.

Lemma 2.7: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_1) = U_1, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If d is a nonzero (σ, τ) n -derivation on N such that $d(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)a = \{0\}$ or $ad(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$, then $a = 0$.

Proof: Suppose that $d(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)a = \{0\}$. Then

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)a = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n. \quad (2.3)$$

Replacing u_1 by $u_1 u'_1$ for $u'_1 \in U_1$ in (2.3), we get

$$(d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \sigma(u'_1) + \tau(u_1) d(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n))a = 0.$$

Using Lemma 2.4 and (2.3), we find

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \sigma(u'_1)a = 0.$$

Since $\sigma(U_1) = U_1$, we have

$$d(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1a = 0.$$

Using Lemma 2.2 (i) and Lemma 2.6, we obtain $a=0$.

Lemma 2.8: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_1) = U_1, \tau(U_1) = U_1$ and $U_1 \cap Z \setminus \{0\}$. If d is a (σ, τ) n -derivation on N , then $d(Z, N, N, \dots, N) \subseteq Z$.

Proof: Suppose that $z \in U_1 \cap Z$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(zx_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= d(x_1z, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ for all } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in N, \\ d(z, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(x_1) + \tau(z) d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= \tau(x_1) d(z, x_2, \dots, x_n) + d(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \sigma(z) \end{aligned}$$

By hypothesis

$$d(z, x_2, \dots, x_n)x_1 = x_1 d(z, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ for all } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in N \text{ and } z \in Z.$$

Hence $d(Z, N, N, \dots, N) \subseteq Z$.

Lemma 2.9: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F is a nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with a (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N , then $F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \neq \{0\}$.

Proof: Let

$$F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n. \quad (2.4)$$

Replacing u_1 by $u_1 r_1$, where $r_1 \in N$ in (2.4) and using it, we get

$$\tau(u_1) d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n \text{ and } r_1 \in N. \quad (2.5)$$

Since $\tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we get

$$U_1 d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n \text{ and } r_1 \in N.$$

Applying Lemma 2.2(ii), we find

$$d(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n \text{ and } r_1 \in N. \quad (2.6)$$

Now replacing u_2 by $u_2 r_2$ in (2.6) for $r_2 \in N$, we get $\tau(u_2) d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$ and by hypothesis $U_2 d(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = \{0\}$. Again application of Lemma 2.2(ii) yields that $d(r_1, r_2, u_3, \dots, u_n) = 0$ for all $u_3 \in U_3, \dots, u_n \in U_n$ and $r_1, r_2 \in N$. Proceeding inductively, we get $d(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) = 0$ for all $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in N$. i.e., $d=0$. Hence

$$F(r_1 u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = F(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \sigma(u_1) = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n \text{ and } r_1 \in N$$

which implies that $F(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1 = 0$. By Lemma 2.2 (ii), we find

$$F(r_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n \text{ and } r_1 \in N. \quad (2.7)$$

Replacing u_2 by $r_2 u_2$ in (2.7), we get $F(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n)U_2 = \{0\}$ and Lemma 2.2 (ii) gives

$$F(r_1, r_2, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } r_1, r_2 \in N.$$

Proceeding inductively, we obtain $F = 0$ on N , a contradiction.

Lemma 2.10: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F is a nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with a (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N such that $F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)a = \{0\}$ or $aF(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$, then $a = 0$.

Proof: Suppose that $F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)a = \{0\}$. Then

$$F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)a = 0 \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n. \quad (2.8)$$

Replacing u_1 by $u_1 u'_1$ where $u'_1 \in U_1$ in (2.8) and using Lemma 2.4, we obtain

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)a = 0 \text{ for all } u_1, u'_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n.$$

Since $\sigma(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1 a = \{0\} \text{ for all } u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n.$$

By Lemma 2.2 (i), either $a = 0$ or $d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$. If $d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \{0\}$, then

$$F(u_1 u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)a = F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)a + \tau(u_1)d(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)a = 0$$

yields that $F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1 a = 0$. Again using Lemma 2.2(i), we find either $a = 0$ or $F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$. Later yields contradiction by Lemma 2.9, hence we get the result.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F is a nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with a (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N such that $F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \subseteq Z$, then N is a commutative ring.

Proof: If $d \neq 0$ for all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n$, we get

$$F(u_1 u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1) + \tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \in Z. \quad (3.1)$$

Now commuting (3.1) with the element $\tau(u_1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1) + \tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n))\tau(u_1) \\ & = \tau(u_1)(d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1) + \tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)\tau(u_1) + \tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\tau(u_1) \\ & = \tau(u_1)d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1) + \tau(u_1)\tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that,

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)\tau(u_1) = \tau(u_1)d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1). \quad (3.2)$$

Replacing u'_1 by $u'_1 x$ for $x \in N$ in (3.2) and using $\sigma(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we find

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)u'_1 x \tau(u_1) = \tau(u_1)d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)u'_1 x.$$

Now replacing u'_1 by $\sigma(u'_1)$, we get

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)x\tau(u_1) = \tau(u_1)d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)x.$$

Using (3.2), we obtain $d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)x\tau(u_1) = d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)\tau(u_1)x$,

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u'_1)[x, \tau(u_1)] = 0.$$

This implies that

$$d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1[x, u_1] = 0.$$

Using Lemma 2.2 (i), we get $d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$ or $[x, u_1] = 0$. Later gives $U_1 \subseteq Z$. Now if $d(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$ for all $u_i \in U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$F(u_1 u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = u_1 F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \in Z.$$

An appeal to Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.9 gives $U_1 \subseteq Z$. Hence by Lemma 2.3, N is a commutative ring. Assume that $d = 0$. From (3.1), we have $F(u_1 u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \tau(u_1)F(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \in Z$ and invoking Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.9, we get $U_1 \subseteq Z$ and N is a commutative ring by Lemma 2.3.

Theorem 3.2: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F_1, F_2 are generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with nonzero (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1, d_2 respectively such that $[F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n), F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] = \{0\}$, then $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Proof: Suppose that $x \in N$ is such that

$$[x, F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] = [x + x, F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] = 0.$$

For all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1$,

$$[x + x, F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)] = 0.$$

This implies that

$$(x + x)F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)(x + x),$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x + x)F_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (x + x)F_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \\ = F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x + F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)(x + x) + F_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)(x + x) \\ = xF_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x + F_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x + F_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x + F_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x \\ = xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$xF_2((u_1, u'_1), u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0,$$

where (u_1, u'_1) is the additive commutator $(u_1 + u'_1 - u_1 - u'_1)$, $u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n$.

If $r, s \in U_1$, we have $rs \in U_1$ and $rs + rs = r(s + s) \in U_1$ and since $[F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n), F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] = \{0\}$, taking $x = F_1(rs, u'_2, \dots, u'_n)$ where $r, s \in U_1, u'_2 \in U_2, \dots, u'_n \in U_n$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} [F_1(rs, u'_2, \dots, u'_n), F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] &= \{0\} \\ &= [F_1(rs, u'_2, \dots, u'_n) + F_1(rs, u'_2, \dots, u'_n), F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)]. \end{aligned}$$

Arguing in the similar manner as above, we get

$$F_1(U_1^2, U_2, \dots, U_n)F_2(u_1 + u'_1 - u_1 - u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \{0\}.$$

Since U_1^2 is a semigroup ideal, Lemma 2.10 gives

$$F_2(u_1 + u'_1 - u_1 - u'_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n) = 0 \quad (3.3)$$

for all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1$. Now take $u_1 = rx'$ and $u'_1 = ry'$ for $r \in U_1$ and $x', y' \in N$, so that u_1, u'_1 and $u_1 + u'_1 = rx' + ry' = r(x' + y') \in U_1$. It follows from relation (3.3) that

$$F_2(rx' + ry' - rx' - ry', u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n) = 0 \text{ for all } r \in U_1 \text{ and } x', y' \in N.$$

Replacing r by rw for $w \in U_1$ in above expression, we get

$$d_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)w(x' + y' - x' - y') = \{0\}$$

for all $w \in U_1$ and $x', y' \in N$ i.e., $d_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)U_1(x' + y' - x' - y') = \{0\}$ for all $x', y' \in N$ and by Lemma 2.2 (i) and Lemma 2.6, we get $x' + y' - x' - y' = 0$ for all $x', y' \in N$ and hence $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Theorem 3.3: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F_1, F_2 are generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with nonzero (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1, d_2 respectively such that $F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \circ F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$, then $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Proof: Assume that $x \in N$ is such that

$$x \circ F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = (x + x) \circ F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = 0.$$

For all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1$,

$$(x + x) \circ F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0,$$

$$(x + x)F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)(x + x) = 0,$$

$$(x+x)F_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (x+x)F_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \\ = -F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x - F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x,$$

$$xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \\ = -F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x - F_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)x,$$

$$xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \\ = xF_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1 + u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n),$$

$$zF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \\ = xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + xF_2(u'_1, u_2, \dots, u_n).$$

This implies that $xF_2((u_1, u'_1), u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$, where (u_1, u'_1) is the additive commutator $(u_1 + u'_1 - u_1 - u'_1)$, $u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n$. Arguing in the similar manner as in Theorem 3.2, we get the required result.

Theorem 3.4: Let N be a 2-torsion free 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i, \tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F_1, F_2 are generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1, d_2 respectively with at least one of d_1, d_2 not zero such that

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0$$

for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1; x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots; x_n, y_n \in U_n$, then $F_1 = 0$ or $F_2 = 0$.

Proof: By hypothesis for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1; x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, x_n, y_n \in U_n$

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Replacing x_1 by u_1v_1 for $u_1, v_1 \in U_1$ in (3.4), we get

$$\{d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1) + \tau(u_1)F_1(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\}d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + \{\tau(u_1)F_2(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)\}d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0,$$

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + \tau(u_1)F_1(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + \tau(u_1)F_2(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0,$$

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + \tau(u_1)\{F_1(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + F_2(v_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\} + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0.$$

Using (3.4) middle summand is 0, we conclude that

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(v_1)d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0.$$

Since $\sigma(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we get

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

Replacing y_1 by y_1t for $t \in U_1$ in (3.5), we obtain

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1\{d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(t) + \tau(y_1)d_2(t, y_2, \dots, y_n)\} \\ + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1\{\tau(y_1)d_1(t, y_2, \dots, y_n) + d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(t)\} = 0,$$

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(t) + d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1\tau(y_1)d_2(t, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1\tau(y_1)d_1(t, y_2, \dots, y_n) + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(t) = 0.$$

Using (3.5), we get

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)t + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)t = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Replacing t by $td_1(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$ for all $w_1 \in U_1, w_2 \in U_2, \dots, w_n \in U_n$ in (3.6), we have

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_1(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) \\ + d_2(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_1(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) = 0.$$

Using (3.5) in the above relation, we obtain

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1\{-d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_2(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)\} \\ - d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_2(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) = 0$$

which implies that

$$2d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_2(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) = 0,$$

2-torsion freeness implies that

$$d_1(u_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)v_1d_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)td_2(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) = 0.$$

Then by Lemma 2.2 (i) and Lemma 2.6, one of d_1, d_2 must be zero. Assuming without loss $d_1 = 0$ in which case $d_2 \neq 0$, then (3.4) gives $F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)d_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0$. By using Lemma 2.7 and Lemma 2.9, we get $F_1 = 0$.

Theorem 3.5: Let N be a 3-prime near ring; U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N and σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_1) = U_1, \tau(U_1) = U_1$. Let F_1, F_2 be generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1, d_2 respectively such that $F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \circ F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$. If $d_1(Z, N, \dots, N) \neq \{0\}$; $d_2(Z, N, \dots, N) \neq \{0\}$ and $U_1 \cap Z \neq \{0\}$, then N is a commutative ring. Moreover $F_1 = 0$ or $F_2 = 0$.

Proof: By hypothesis

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0. \quad (3.7)$$

for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1$; $x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, x_n, y_n \in U_n$. Suppose that $z_1 \in U_1 \cap Z$ such that $d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \neq 0$ for all $x_2 \in U_2, \dots, x_n \in U_n$.

Replacing z_1 by $z_1 x_1$ in (3.7), we get

$$d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(x_1)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + \tau(z_1)F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(z_1) + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\tau(x_1)d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0.$$

Since $z_1 \in U_1 \cap Z \setminus \{0\}$ and $\sigma(U_1) = U_1, \tau(U_1) = U_1$, we have

$$d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)x_1F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + z_1\{F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \\ + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\} + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)x_1d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0.$$

Using (3.7) the middle summand is 0, we conclude that

$$d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)x_1F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)x_1d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0.$$

Since $d_1(z_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in Z \setminus \{0\}$, we have

$$x_1F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)x_1 = 0. \quad (3.8)$$

Choosing $z_2 \in Z$ such that $d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n) \neq 0$ and replacing y_1 by $z_2 y_1$ in (3.8), we have

$$x_1\{d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(y_1) + \tau(z_2)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\} \\ + \{F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\sigma(z_2) + \tau(y_1)d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)\}x_1 = 0, \\ x_1d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)y_1 + xz_2F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)z_2x_1 + y_1d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)x_1 = 0.$$

Using (3.8), we obtain $x_1d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)y_1 + y_1d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n)x_1 = 0$ and since $d_2(z_2, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in Z \setminus \{0\}$, we have

$$x_1y_1 + y_1x_1 = 0 \text{ for all } x_1, y_1 \in U_1. \quad (3.9)$$

Applying Lemma 2.5 with $S = U_1$ and $T = U_1^2$ shows U_1^2 centralizes U_1^2 so that $U_1^2 \subseteq Z$ by Lemma 2.6 and hence N is a commutative ring by Lemma 2.3. Further, it follows that

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ = -F_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Hence, $F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$. Therefore $F_1 = 0$ or $F_2 = 0$.

Theorem 3.6: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that $\sigma(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F is a generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N and $a \in N$ such that $[F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n), a]_{\sigma, \tau} = \{0\}$, then either $\sigma(a) \in Z$ or $d(a, a, \dots, a) = 0$.

Proof: For all $u_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n$ and $a \in N$, we have

$$F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(a) = \tau(a)F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n). \quad (3.10)$$

Replacing u_1 by au_1 in (3.10), we get

$$\{d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_1) + \tau(a)F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\}\sigma(a) \\ = \tau(a)\{d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_1) + \tau(a)F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\}.$$

Using Lemma 2.4 and (3.10), we get

$$d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_1)\sigma(a) + \tau(a)F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(a) \\ = \tau(a)d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_1) + \tau(a)F(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)\sigma(a),$$

$$d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)u_1\sigma(a) = \tau(a)d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)u_1. \quad (3.11)$$

Replacing u_1 by $u_1 v_1$ for $v_1 \in U_1$ in (3.11) and using (3.11), we obtain

$$d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n)U_1[v_1, \sigma(a)] = 0 \text{ for all } v_1 \in U_1, u_2 \in U_2, \dots, u_n \in U_n.$$

By Lemma 2.2 (i), we get $d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$ or $[v_1, \sigma(a)] = 0$. If $[v_1, \sigma(a)] = 0$, then

$$v_1\sigma(a) = \sigma(a)v_1 \text{ for all } v_1 \in U_1. \quad (3.12)$$

Replacing v_1 by $v_1 r$ for $r \in N$ in (3.12) and using (3.12), we obtain $U_1[r, \sigma(a)] = 0$. Hence $\sigma(a) \in Z$. If $d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n) = 0$, then replacing u_2 by au_2 , we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(a, a, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_2) + \tau(a)d(a, u_2, \dots, u_n) &= 0 \\ d(a, a, u_3, \dots, u_n)\sigma(u_2) &= 0 \\ d(a, a, u_3, \dots, u_n)U_2 &= \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.2(ii), we get $d(a, a, u_3, \dots, u_n) = 0$. Proceeding inductively, we conclude that $d(a, a, a, \dots, a) = 0$.

Theorem 3.7: Let N be a 3-prime near ring and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be nonzero semigroup ideals of N . Let σ, τ be mappings on N such that σ is additive, $\sigma(U_i) = U_i$, $\tau(U_i) = U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. If F_1, F_2 are nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1, d_2 on N respectively such that

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0$$

for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1$; $x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, x_n, y_n \in U_n$, then $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Proof: By hypothesis, we have

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0 \quad (3.13)$$

for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1$, $x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, x_n, y_n \in U_n$.

If we choose $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1$, then replacing y_1 by $u_1 + u'_1$ in (3.13), we get

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u_1 + u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(u_1 + u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma\{F_2(u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + F_2(u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)\} + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) \\ F_1(u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) \\ + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.13), we get

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) \\ F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(-u_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(-u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) = 0. \\ F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(u_1 + u'_1 - u_1 - u'_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) = 0, \\ F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)\sigma(F_2((u_1, u'_1), y_2, \dots, y_n)) = \{0\} \end{aligned}$$

for all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, y_n \in U_n$. Using Lemma 2.10, we get $\sigma(F_2((u_1, u'_1), y_2, \dots, y_n)) = 0$. By hypothesis, we conclude that $F_2((u_1, u'_1), y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0$ for all $u_1, u'_1 \in U_1$ such that $u_1 + u'_1 \in U_1, y_2 \in U_2, \dots, y_n \in U_n$. Arguing in the similar manner as in Theorem 3.2, we get the result.

The following examples show that the 3-primeness hypothesis in Theorems 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.6 and 3.7 cannot be omitted.

Example 3.8: Let S be a left near ring. Let us consider

$$N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| x, y, z \in S \right\}$$

Then N is a zero-symmetric left near ring with regard to matrix addition and matrix multiplication but not a 3-prime

near ring. If we set $U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| y \in S \right\}$, then clearly U is a nonzero semigroup ideal of N . Define mappings

$F_1, F_2, d_1, d_2: N \times N \times \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ by

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & z_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & z_1 z_2 \dots z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ d_1 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & z_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ F_2 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & z_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ d_2 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & z_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & z_1 z_2 \dots z_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Define $\sigma, \tau: N \rightarrow N$ by $\sigma \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & z \\ 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y & z \\ 0 & 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

If we choose $U_1 = U_2 = \dots = U_n = U$, then it is easy to see that F_1 and F_2 are nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivations associated with (σ, τ) n -derivations d_1 and d_2 on N respectively such that the following situations hold:

- (i) $[F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n), F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)] = \{0\}$,
- (ii) $F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \circ F_2(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \{0\}$,
- (iii) $F_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\sigma(F_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) + \tau(F_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))F_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 0$
- (iv) $[F_1(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n), a]_{\sigma, \tau} = \{0\}$ for all $x_1, y_1 \in U_1; x_2, y_2 \in U_2, \dots; x_n, y_n \in U_n; \sigma(U_i) \neq U_i, \tau(U_i) \neq U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \sigma(a) \notin Z; d_1(a, a, \dots, a) \neq 0$ and $(N, +)$ is not abelian.

Example 3.9: Let S be a left near ring. Let us consider

$$N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| x, y, z \in S \right\}$$

Then N is a zero-symmetric left near ring with regard to matrix addition and matrix multiplication but not a 3-prime near ring. If we set $U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| x \in S \right\}$, then clearly U is a nonzero semigroup ideal of N . Define mappings

$F, d: N \times N \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ by

$$F \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y_1 y_2 \dots y_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_n & y_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z_1 z_2 \dots z_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Define $\sigma, \tau: N \rightarrow N$ by $\sigma \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & z & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & z & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

If we choose $U_1 = U_2 = \dots = U_n = U$, then it is easy to see that F is a nonzero generalized (σ, τ) n -derivation associated with (σ, τ) n -derivation d on N satisfying $F(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) \subseteq Z; \sigma(U_i) \neq U_i, \tau(U_i) \neq U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and N is not a commutative ring.

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