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# **ON SEMIPRIME NEAR-RINGS WITH GENERALIZED DERIVATIONS**

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# ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study semiprime near-ring using a map  $F: N \to N$ , generalized derivation and a map  $H: N \to N$ , right centralizer, under some conditions. Inspired by the work of Ali et al [1] and Khan [7], we also study similar situations admitting generalized derivation on a semiprime near-ring.

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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

The idea of generalized derivation was introduced in 1991 by Daif [3]. Ali *et al.* [1] proceed it further by taking some more identities admitting generalized derivation in prime and semiprime rings. The study of derivations of near-rings was initiated by H. E. Bell and G.Mason in 1987[2]. Generalized derivations have been primarily studied on operator algebras. Therefore any investigation from the algebraic point of view might be interesting. Recently, there has been a great deal of work concerning commutativity of prime and semiprime rings admitting suitably constrained derivations and generalized derivations [11]. In this paper, we have proved comparable results of [4, 5] for near-rings.

# 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we collect all basic concepts and results in near-rings mostly from H. E. Heatherly [6], Mehsin Jabel Atteya, Dalal Jbrahee Rasen [8], Nurcan Argac [9], G. Pilz [10] and M. Samman, L. Outkhtite, A. Boua [11] which are required for our study.

**Definition 2.1:** [10: 7] A left near-ring (resp. right near-ring) is a set N together with two binary operations "+" and "." such that

- a) (N, +) is a group (not necessarily abelian);
- b)  $(N, \cdot)$  is a semigroup and
- c)  $\forall n_1, n_2, n_3 \in N: n_1. (n_2 + n_3) = n_1 \cdot n_2 + n_1 \cdot n_3$  ("left distributive law")

**Definition 2.2:** [6: 63] A distributive near-ring is a near-ring satisfying both distributive laws.

**Definition 2.3:** [11: 407] An additive mapping  $d: N \to N$  is said to be a **derivation** on N if d(xy) = xd(y) + d(x)y for all  $x, y \in N$  or equivalently, d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ .

**Definition 2.4:** [11: 407] An additive mapping  $F: N \to N$  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 and left generalized derivation on *N* with associated derivation *d*.

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**Definition 2.5:** [8: 37] A near-ring N is said to be semiprime if xNx = 0 for  $x \in N$  implies that x = 0.

**Definition 2.6:** [8: 38] For any  $x, y \in N$ , [x, y] = xy - yx will denote the commutator and  $(x \circ y) = xy + yx$  will denote the anti-commutator.

For any  $x, y, z \in N$ , the following identities hold:

i) [x, yz] = y[x, z] + [x, y]z

ii) [xy, z] = x[y, z] + [x, z]y

**Definition 2.7:** [11: 407] An additive mapping  $F: N \to N$  satisfying F(xy) = F(x)y for all  $x, y \in N$  is called left multiplier.

**Definition 2.8:** [10: 15-16] A normal subgroup *I* of (N, +) is called **ideal** of N  $(I \leq N)$  if  $\alpha$ )  $IN \subseteq I$  $\beta$ )  $\forall n, n' \in N \ \forall i \in I : n(n' + i) - nn' \in I$ .

Normal subgroups *R* of (N, +) with  $\alpha$ ) are called right ideals of *N* ( $R \leq_r N$ ), while normal subgroups *L* of (N, +) with  $\beta$ ) are said to be left ideals of *N* ( $L \leq_l N$ ).

**Definition 2.9:** [2: 31] The derivation *D* will be called **commuting** if [x, D(x)] = 0 for all  $x \in N$ .

#### 3. GENERALIZED DERIVATIONS ON SEMIPRIME NEAR-RINGS

We need the following Lemmas to prove the main Theorems of this section.

**Definition 3.1:** An additive mapping  $H: N \to N$  satisfying H(xy) = xH(y) for all  $x, y \in N$  is called right multiplier *H* is said to be a **multiplier** if it is both a right and left multiplier.

**Lemma 3.2:** Let N be a semiprime distributive near-ring. If F is a left generalized derivation associated with the map f, then f is a derivation, that is, f(xz) = xf(z) + f(x)z for all  $x, y \in N$ .

**Proof:** Since *F* is a generalized derivation, we have F(xy) = xF(y) + f(x)y for all  $x, y \in N$ .

Replace x by xz,

$$F((xz)y) = xzF(y) + f(xz)y \text{ for all } x, y, z \in N \text{ and}$$
  
$$F(x(zy)) = xF(zy) + f(x)zy = xzF(y) + xf(z)y + f(x)zy \text{ for all } x, y, z \in N$$

By the associativity, we get

$$f(xz)y = xf(z)y + f(x)zy.$$

Since *N* is distributive near-ring,

 $(f(xz) - xf(z) - f(x)z)y = 0 \Longrightarrow f(xz) - xf(z) - f(x)z = 0$  $\implies f(xz) = xf(z) + f(x)z \text{ for all } x, y, z \in N.$ 

**Lemma 3.3:** Let *N* be a semiprime near-ring and *F* be a left generalized derivation associated with *f*. If F(xy) = 0 holds for all  $x, y \in N$ , then F = 0.

**Proof:** By the hypothesis, we have F(xy) = 0 for all  $x, y \in N$ .

If we replace y by yz with  $z \in N$ , we get F(x(yz)) = 0 for all  $x, y, z \in N$ .

Since *F* is a left generalized derivation, we get xF(yz) + f(x)yz = 0 for all  $x, y, z \in N$ .

Using the hypothesis,

 $f(x)yz = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in N$  $\Rightarrow f(x)z = 0 \text{ for all } x, z \in N \Rightarrow f = 0.$  Thus F(xy) = xF(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ . By the hypothesis, xF(y) = 0 for all  $x, y \in N \implies F = 0$ .

**Lemma 3.4:** Let *N* be a semiprime near-ring and *F* be a left generalized derivation associated with *f* and *H* be a right multiplier. If the map  $G: N \to N$  is defined as  $G(x) = F(x) \mp H(x)$  for all  $x \in N$ . Then *G* is a left generalized derivation associated with *f*.

**Proof:** For all  $x \in N$ , by the hypothesis  $G(xy) = F(xy) \mp H(xy) = xF(y) + f(x)y \mp xH(y)$   $= x (F(y) \mp H(y)) + f(x)y$   $= x G(y) + f(x)y \text{ for all } x, y \in N$ Hence *G* is a left generalized derivation associated with *f*.

**Theorem 3.5:** Let *N* be a semiprime near-ring and  $F: N \to N$  be a left generalized derivation associated with *f* and  $H: N \to N$  be a right multiplier. If  $F(xy) \mp H(xy) = 0$  holds for all  $x, y \in N$ , then f = 0. Moreover, F(xy) = xF(y) holds for all  $x, y \in N$  and for all  $x, y \in N$  and for all  $x, y \in N$  and for all  $x, y \in N$ .

**Proof:** By the hypothesis, we have

 $F(xy) - H(xy) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in N$  $G(xy) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in N, \text{ by Lemma 3.3}$ Where Using Lemma 3.3, G = 0

Thus F = H

Using the definition of F and (1) in the hypothesis, we get 0 = F(xy) - H(xy) = xF(y) + f(x)y - xH(y)  $= f(x)y \text{ for all } x, y \in N$ 

We obtain f = 0. Thus F(xy) = xF(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ .

By using the similar argument in the case of F(xy) + H(xy) = 0 for all  $x, y \in N$ , we get F = -H and f = 0.

Hence  $F = \pm H$ .

**Theorem 3.6:** Let N be a semiprime near-ring,  $F: N \to N$  be a left generalized derivation associated with f and  $H: N \to N$  be a right multiplier. If  $F(x)F(y) \mp H(xy) = 0$  holds for all  $x, y \in N$ , then f = 0. Moreover, F(xy) = xF(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ .

**Proof:** By the hypothesis, we have F(x)F(y) - H(xy) = 0 for all  $x, y \in N$ 

Replacing x by xz with  $z \in N$ F(xz)F(y) - H((xz)y) = 0 for all  $x, y, z \in N$ 

Since F is a left generalized derivation, we have x(F(z) F(y) - H(zy)) + f(x)z F(y) = 0

Using equation (2), we get

 $f(x)z F(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in N$ (3)

Replacing y by uy with  $u \in N$  in (3) and using (3), from the definition of F, we obtain f(x)z f(u)y = 0 for all  $u, x, y, z \in N$ 

In the last equation replacing z by  $zr, r \in N$  and using N is a semiprime near-ring, we get f = 0.

Thus F(xy) = xF(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ .

By the similar argument in the case of F(x)F(y) + H(xy) = 0 for all  $x, y \in N$ , we get f = 0. Thus F(xy) = xF(y) for all  $x, y \in N$ .

(1)

(2)

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**Theorem 3.7:** Let *N* be a semiprime distributive near-ring and *I* a nonzero left ideal of *N*. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F[x, y] \pm xy = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

#### **Proof:** Assume that

$$F[x, y] \pm xy = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \tag{4}$$

Replace x by yx and using equation (4), we obtain 
$$F[yx, y] \pm (yx)y = 0$$
 implies that  
 $f(y)[x, y] = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ 
(5)

Substituting yf(x) for y,

 $f(y)[x, yf(x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$   $f(x)[x, yf(x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$  $f(x)y[x, f(x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$ 

On replacing y by xy, we obtain f(x)xy[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Left multiply (6) by x and subtract (7),  $[x, f(x)]y[x, f(x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$ 

Replacing y by ry,

$$[x, f(x)]ry[x, f(x)] = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Left multiply by *y*,

$$y[x, f(x)]Ny[x, f(x)] = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Since the semiprime of *N* yields that, y[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Therefore, I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x \in I$ .

**Theorem 3.8:** Let *N* be a semiprime distributive near-ring and *I* a nonzero left ideal of *N*. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F[x, y] \pm yx = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

**Proof:** Given that

 $F[x, y] \pm yx = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ 

(8)

(6)

(7)

On replacing x by yx and using equation (8), we obtain  $F[yx, y] \pm y(yx) = 0$  implies that f(y)[x, y] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Further, proceed as Theorem 3.7 after the equation (5). Hence I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

**Theorem 3.9:** Let *N* be a semiprime distributive near-ring and *I* a nonzero left ideal of *N*. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F(x \circ y) \pm xy = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

**Proof:** We assume that  

$$F(x \circ y) \pm xy = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in I$ 
(9)

Replace x by yx and using (9),  $F(yx \circ y) \pm (yx)y = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$  $\Rightarrow f(y)(x \circ y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Replacing y by yf(x), we have

$$f(y)(x \circ yf(x)) = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Using equation (10),

$$f(x)y[x, f(x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I.$$

$$\tag{11}$$

(10)

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On replacing y by xy, we obtain

f(x)xy[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Left multiply (11) by x and subtract (12) we get [x, f(x)]y[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Replacing y by ry,

$$[x, f(x)]ry[x, f(x)] = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Left multiply by *y*,

y[x, f(x)]Ny[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Since the semiprime of *N* yields that, y[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Therefore, I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $x \in I$ .

**Theorem 3.10:** Let N be a semiprime distributive near-ring and I a nonzero left ideal of N. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F(x \circ y) \pm yx = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

**Proof:** Given that

$$F(x \circ y) \pm yx = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \tag{13}$$

On replacing x by yx and using equation (13), we obtain  $F(yx \circ y) \pm y(yx) = 0$  implies that f(y)[x, y] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Further, proceed as Theorem 3.9 after the equation (10). Hence I[x, f(x)] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

Notation: Denote [[f(y), y], f(y)] by  $[f(y), y]_2$ .

**Theorem 3.11:** Let N be a semiprime distributive near-ring and I a nonzero left ideal of N. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F(x)f(y) \pm xy = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then  $I[f(y), y]_2 = 0$  for all  $y \in I$ .

Proof: We assume that

$$F(x)f(y) \pm xy = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$$
(14)

Replace x by yx,

 $F(yx)f(y) \pm (yx)y = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$  $\Rightarrow f(y)xf(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I.$ (15)

Substituting x[f(y), y] for x in (14), we get f(y)x[f(y), y]f(y) = 0. (16)

Right multiply (15) by [f(y), y] and subtract from (16), we f(y)x[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ . (17) Replace x by yx, f(y)yx[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ 

Since *N* is distributive near-ring. Left multiply (17) by *y* and subtract (16), [f(y), y]x[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0.

Left multiply by f(y),

$$f(y)[f(y), y]x[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0$$
(18)

Left multiply by [f(y), y] in (16) and subtract (17), we get [[f(y), y], f(y)]x[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0

Replacing x by rx.

$$[[f(y), y], f(y)]rx[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \text{ and } r \in N.$$
  
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(12)

Left multiply by x,

$$x[[f(y), y], f(y)]Nx[[f(y), y], f(y)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \text{ and } r \in N.$$

Since N is semiprime,

Then  $\begin{aligned} x\big[[f(y), y], f(y)\big] &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I. \\ I\big[[f(y), y], f(y)\big] &= 0 \text{ for all } y \in I. \end{aligned}$ 

Therefore,  $I[f(y), y]_2 = 0$  for all  $y \in I$ .

**Theorem 3.12:** Let N be a semiprime distributive near-ring and I a nonzero left ideal of N. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$  such that  $F(x)f(y) \pm yx = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Then  $I[f(y), y]_2 = 0$  for all  $y \in I$ .

**Proof:** Given that

 $F(x)f(y) \pm yx = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I$ (19)

On replacing x by yx and using equation (18), we obtain  $F(yx)f(y) \pm y(yx) = 0$  implies that f(y)xf(y) = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Further, proceed as Theorem 3.11 after the equation (15). Hence we get  $I[f(y), y]_2 = 0$  for all  $y \in I$ .

**Corollary 3.13:** Let *N* be a semiprime near-ring and *I* a nonzero left ideal of *N*. If  $F: N \to N$  is a generalized derivation associated with a map  $f: N \to N$ . If *I* satisfies any one of the identities  $F(x)f(y) \pm xy = 0$  and  $F(x)f(y) \pm yx = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ , then *f* is commuting on *I*.

**Proof:** Using equation (15) in Theorem 3.11, we have f(y)xf(y) = 0 for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Therefore,

 $f(y), y]x[f(y), y] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I.$  $\Rightarrow [f(y), y]I[f(y), y] = 0 \text{ for all } y \in I.$ 

Since *I* is an ideal of a semiprime near-ring, [f(y), y] = 0 for all  $y \in I$ .

Thus, f is commuting on I.

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