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## ON GENERALIZED LEFT DERIVATIONS AS HOMOMORPHISONS AND ANTI - HOMOMORPHISMS

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### Abstract

Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free prime ring and  $I \neq 0$  an Ideal of  $R$  and  $F$  is a generalized left derivation of  $R$ . In this paper we study the following conditions such that either  $F(xy) = F(x)F(y)$  or  $F(xy) = F(y)F(x)$  for all ,  $xy \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout the present paper  $R$  will denote an associative ring with center  $Z(R)$ . For any  $x, y \in R$  the symbol  $[x, y]$  stands for the commutator  $xy - yx$  the symbol  $(xy)$  stands for the anti commutator  $xy + yx$ , thus the commutator identities.

$$(i) [xy, z] = x[y, z] + [x, z]y$$

$$(ii) [x, yz] = y[x, z] + [x, y]z \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

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Recall that a ring  $R$  is called prime if for any  $a, b \in R$ ,  $aRb = (0)$  implies that either  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$  however, in case prime rings Bell and Kappe [1] established that if  $I$  is a non zero right ideal of a prime ring  $R$  and  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is a derivation of  $R$  such that  $d$  acts as a homomorphism or as anti-homomorphism on  $I$ . Then  $d = 0$  on  $R$ . In the year 1990, Bresar and Vukman [2] introduced the notion of a left derivation as follows. An additive mapping  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be a left derivation if  $d(xy) = xd(y) + yd(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . In [3], Bresar was introduced the generalized derivation. An additive mapping  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be generalized left derivation on  $R$  if there exists a left derivation  $d : R \rightarrow R$  such that  $F(xy) = xF(y) + yd(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . Nadeem-Ur-Rehman [4] proved that Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free prime ring and  $I$  be a non zero ideal of  $R$ . Suppose  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is a non zero generalized derivation with  $d$ .

- (i) If  $F$  acts as a homomorphism on  $I$  and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.
- (ii) If  $F$  acts as anti-homomorphism on  $I$  and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

In the present paper our objective is to extend this result for generalized left derivation acting on ideals in prime ring.

## 2. Preliminaries

**Lemma 2.1:** [5, lemma 3] : Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  be a non zero right ideal of  $R$ . If  $d$  is a non zero derivation on  $R$  then  $d$  is non zero on  $I$ .

**Lemma 2.2** [6, lemma 2] : If a prime ring  $R$  contains a non zero commutative right ideal, then  $R$  is commutative.

## 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1** : Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free prime ring and  $I$  be a non zero Ideal of  $R$ . Suppose  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is a non zero generalized left derivation with left derivation  $d$  where  $d$  commutes with  $I$

- (i) If  $F(xy) = F(x)F(y)$  for all  $x, y \in I$  and if  $d \neq 0$  (That is if  $F$  acts as a homomorphism on  $I$ ) and if  $d \neq 0$  then  $R$  is commutative.
- (ii) If  $F(xy) = F(y)F(x)$  for all  $x, y \in I$  and if  $d \neq 0$  (That is if  $F$  acts as an anti homomorphism on  $I$ ) and if  $d \neq 0$  then  $R$  is commutative.

**Proof :** (i) If  $F$  acts as a homomorphism on  $I$  then we have, for all  $xy \in I$ .

$$F(xy) = xF(y) + yd(x) = F(x)F(y) \quad (3.1)$$

Replace  $x$  by  $zx$ , Since  $F$  is a generalized left derivation

$$F(zxy) = zF(xy) + xyd(z) \text{ " for all } x, y, z \in I \quad (3.2)$$

$$F(zxy) = F(zx)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \quad (3.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(zxy) &= F(zx)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \\ &= \{zF(x) + xd(z)\}F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \\ &= zF(x)F(y) + xd(z)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.1)

$$F(zxy) = zF(xy) + xd(z)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \quad (3.4)$$

Comparing (3.2) and (3.4)

$$zF(xy) + xyd(z) = zF(xy) + xd(z)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I.$$

We get  $xyd(z) = xd(z)F(y)$  for all  $x, y, z \in I$

$$xyd(z) + xd(z)y - xd(z)y = xd(z)F(y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I$$

$$xyd(z) - xd(z)y - xd(z)F(y) - xd(z)y \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I.$$

$$X[y, d(z)] = xd(z)(F(y) - y) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I.$$

$d$  commutes with  $I$  we get

$$xd(z)(F(y) - y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, yz \in I \quad (3.5)$$

$$d(z)x(F(y) - y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I.$$

Thus, primness of  $R$  forces that Either  $d(z) = 0$  or  $(F(y) - y) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in I$ . If  $d(z) = 0$ , for all  $z \in I$  then  $d = 0$ .

A contradiction.

On the other hand if  $F(y) - y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow F(y) = y \text{ for all } y \in I \\ &\Rightarrow F(x) = x \text{ for all } x \in I. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} xy &= F(x)F(y) \quad (\text{since } F \text{ is homomorphism}) \\ &= F(xy) \quad (\text{since } F \text{ is generalized left derivation}) \end{aligned}$$

$$xy = xF(y) + yd(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in I$$

$$xy - xF(y) = yd(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I$$

$$x(y - F(y)) = yd(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I$$

$$(y - F(y)) = yd(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I$$

We get

$$yd(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \tag{3.6}$$

$$Id(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in I$$

Again since  $i \neq 0$  and  $R$  is prime we get  $d(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in I$  and hence  $d = 0$ .

Again contradiction.

(ii) If  $F$  acts as an anti homomorphism on  $I$  and if  $d \neq 0$  then  $R$  is commutative.

**Proof :** If  $F$  acts as an anti homomorphism on

$$I.F(xy) = F(y)F(x) \tag{3.7}$$

Since  $F$  is generalized left derivation

$$F(xy) = xF(y) + yd(x) = F(y)F(x) \tag{3.8}$$

Replace  $y$  by  $xy$ .

$$F(xy)F(x) = F(xxy) = xF(xy) + xyd(x) \tag{3.9}$$

Since  $F$  is an anti homomorphism

$$F(xxy) = F(xy)F(x) \tag{3.10}$$

right multiplying (3.8) with  $F(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}(xy)F(x) &= \{xF(y) + yd(x)\}F(x) \\ &= xF(y)F(x) + yd(x)F(x) \\ F(xy)F(x) &= xF(xy) + yd(x)F(x)\end{aligned}\tag{3.11}$$

Equating (3.9) and (3.11)

$$xF(xy) + xyd(x) = xF(xy) + yd(x)F(x)$$

we get

$$xyd(x) = yd(x)F(x)\tag{3.12}$$

replace  $y$  by  $zy$  in (3.12)

$$xzyd(x) = zyd(x)F(x)\tag{3.13}$$

Left multiply (3.12) with  $z$  we get

$$zxyd(x) = zyd(x)F(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I\tag{3.14}$$

Equating (3.13) and (3.14)

$$\begin{aligned}xzyd(x) &= zxyd(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \\ [x, z]yd(x) &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I \\ \Rightarrow [x, z]Idx &= 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in I.\end{aligned}\tag{3.15}$$

Thus primness of  $R$  implies that for each  $x, z \in I$  either  $[x, z] = 0$  or  $d(x) = 0$ .

If  $d(x) = 0$  then  $d = 0$ .

If  $[x, z] = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , by lemma 2.2  $R$  is commutative.

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