



Centralizing Properties of $(\alpha, 1)$ Derivations in Semiprime Rings

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Abstract: Let R be a semiprime ring with center Z , S be a non-empty subset of R , α be an endomorphism on R and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . A mapping f from R into itself is called centralizing on S if $[f(x), x] \in Z$, for all $x \in S$. In the present paper, we study some centralizing properties of $(\alpha, 1)$ derivations in semiprime rings one of the following conditions holds: (i) $d([x, y]) = [x, y]_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. (ii) $d([x, y]) = -[x, y]_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. (iii) $d(x)d(y) \mp xy \in Z$, for all $x, y \in R$. (iv) $d(xoy) = (xoy)_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. (v) $d(xoy) = -(xoy)_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. Also we prove that d is centralizing on R if d acts as a homomorphism on R and d is centralizing on S if d acts as an antihomomorphism on R .

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, R will represent an associative ring with center Z . A ring R is said to be prime if $xRy = 0$ implies that either $x = 0$ or $y = 0$ and semiprime if $xRx = 0$ implies that $x = 0$, where $x, y \in R$. A prime ring is obviously semiprime for any $x, y \in R$, the symbol $[x, y]$ stands for the commutator $xy - yx$ and the symbol (xoy) stands for the anti-commutator $xy + yx$. A derivation d on R is determined to be an additive endomorphism satisfying the product rule $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$, for all $x, y \in R$. Let α be an endomorphism on R . An additive mapping d from R into itself to be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation if $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + xd(y)$. Let S be a non-empty subset of R . A mapping f from R into itself is called centralizing on S if $[f(x), x] \in Z$, for all $x \in S$ and is called commuting on S if $[f(x), x] = 0$, for all $x \in S$. If $d(xy) = d(x)d(y)$ or $d(xy) = d(y)d(x)$ for all $x, y \in R$, then d is said to act as homomorphism or anti-homomorphism on R respectively. The study of centralizing mappings was initiated by E.C.Posner [8]. He proved that the existence of a non-zero centralizing derivation on a prime ring forces the ring to be commutative(Posner second Theorem). Yenigul and Argac [9] studied prime and semiprime rings with α derivations. Then in 2004, Argac [1] obtained some results on near-rings with two sided α derivations, that is, $(\alpha, 1)$ derivations and $(1, \alpha)$ derivations. Several authors have proved commutativity theorems for prime rings or semiprime rings admitting automorphisms or derivations which are centralizing or commuting on appropriate subsets of R (see [2, 4, 8]). The purpose of this paper is to study some centralizing properties of $(\alpha, 1)$ derivations in semiprime rings. Also we prove that d is centralizing on R if d acts as a homomorphism on R and d is centralizing on S if d acts as an antihomomorphism

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on R . Through out the present paper, we will make extensive use of the following basic commutator identities [7]:

$$\begin{aligned} [x, yz] &= y[x, z] + [x, y]z, \\ [xy, z] &= [x, z]y + x[y, z], \\ [xy, z]_{\alpha,1} &= x[y, z]_{\alpha,1} + [x, z]y = x[y, \alpha(z)] + [x, z]_{\alpha,1}y, \\ [x, yz]_{\alpha,1} &= y[x, z]_{\alpha,1} + [x, y]_{\alpha,1}\alpha(z), \\ xo(yz) &= (xoy)z - y[x, z] = y(xoz) + [x, y]z, \\ (xy)oz &= x(yoz) - [x, z]y = (xoz)y + x[y, z], \\ (xo(yz))_{\alpha,1} &= (xoy)_{\alpha,1}\alpha(z) - y[x, z]_{\alpha,1} = y(xoz)_{\alpha,1} + [x, y]_{\alpha,1}\alpha(z), \\ ((xy)oz)_{\alpha,1} &= x(yoz)_{\alpha,1} - [x, z]y = (xoz)_{\alpha,1}y + x[y, \alpha(z)]. \end{aligned}$$

2. Results

Lemma 2.1 ([?]). *Let R be a semiprime ring and suppose that $a \in R$ centralizes all commutators $xy - yx$, $x, y \in R$. Then $a \in Z$.*

Theorem 2.2. *Let R be a semiprime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d satisfies one of the following conditions, then d is centralizing.*

(i). $d([x, y]) = [x, y]_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$.

(ii). $d([x, y]) = -[x, y]_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$.

Proof. (i). Assume that $d([x, y]) = [x, y]_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. Replacing y by yx , we get

$$d(y[x, x] + [x, y]x) = y[x, x]_{\alpha,1} + [x, y]_{\alpha,1}\alpha(x),$$

and so $d(y)\alpha([x, x]) + yd([x, x]) + d([x, y])\alpha(x) + [x, y]d(x) = y[x, x]_{\alpha,1} + [x, y]_{\alpha,1}\alpha(x)$. Using the hypothesis, we obtain

$$[x, y]d(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (1)$$

Substituting $d(x)y$ for y in (1) and using (1) we have

$$[x, d(x)]yd(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (2)$$

Replacing y by yx in (2) we get

$$[x, d(x)]yxd(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (3)$$

Multiplying (2) on the right of x , we have

$$[x, d(x)]yd(x)x = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (4)$$

Subtracting (4) from (3), we arrive at $[x, d(x)]y[x, d(x)] = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. By the semiprimeness of R , we conclude that $[x, d(x)] = 0$, for all $x \in R$ and so $[x, d(x)] \in Z$.

(ii). If d is an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation satisfying the property $d([x, y]) = -[x, y]_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$, then $(-d)$ satisfies the condition $(-d)([x, y]) = -[x, y]_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. Hence d is centralizing by (i). \square

Corollary 2.3. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d satisfies one of the following conditions, then R is commutative integral domain.*

(i). $d([x, y]) = [x, y]_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$.

(ii). $d([x, y]) = -[x, y]_{\alpha, 1}$, for all $x, y \in R$.

Theorem 2.4. *Let R be a semiprime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d acts as a homomorphism on R , then d is centralizing.*

Proof. Assume that d acts as a homomorphism on R . Now we have $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + xd(y) = d(x)d(y)$, for all $x, y \in R$. Replacing y by yz , $z \in R$ in the above equation, we get

$$d(x)\alpha(y)\alpha(z) + xd(y)\alpha(z) + xyd(z) = d(x)d(y)\alpha(z) + d(x)y\alpha(z), \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

Using the hypothesis and d is derivation on R in the last relation gives $xyd(z) = d(x)yd(z)$, and so

$$(d(x) - x)yd(z) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \tag{5}$$

Writing y by $d(y)$ in (5) we get $(d(x) - x)d(y)d(z) = 0$, for all $x, y, z \in R$. By the hypothesis, we obtain

$$(d(x) - x)d(yz) = (d(x) - x)d(y)\alpha(z) + (d(x) - x)d(yz) = 0.$$

Using (5), we have

$$(d(x) - x)d(y)\alpha(z) = 0,$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} d(x)d(y)\alpha(z) &= xd(y)\alpha(z), \\ d(xy)\alpha(z) &= d(x)\alpha(y)\alpha(z) + xd(y)\alpha(z) = xd(y)\alpha(z). \end{aligned}$$

That is $d(x)\alpha(y)\alpha(z) = 0$ for all $x, y, z \in R$. Explain to this part, we can show that $[x, d(x)]\alpha(y)[x, d(x)] = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. Since R is semiprime, we get $[x, d(x)] = 0$, for all $x \in R$. Hence d is commuting, and so d is centralizing. \square

Corollary 2.5. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d acts as homomorphism on R , then R is commutative integral domain.*

Theorem 2.6. *Let R be a semiprime ring and S be a non-empty subset of R . Let d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R such that $\alpha(x) = x$, for all $x \in S$. If d acts as an anti-homomorphism on R , then d is centralizing on S .*

Proof. Assume that d acts as an anti-homomorphism on R , Now by the hypothesis we have

$$d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + xd(y) = d(y)d(x), \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by xy , in the last relation and using d is a $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R , we arrive at

$$d(x)\alpha(x)\alpha(y) + xd(x)\alpha(y) + xxd(y) = d(x)\alpha(y)d(x) + xd(y)d(y), \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

By the hypothesis, we get $d(x)\alpha(x)\alpha(y) + xd(x)\alpha(y) + xxd(y) = d(x)\alpha(y)d(x) + xd(x)\alpha(y) + xxd(y)$. That is

$$d(x)\alpha(x)\alpha(y) = d(x)\alpha(y)d(x), \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \quad (6)$$

Writing yx by y in (6), we have $d(x)\alpha(x)\alpha(yx) = d(x)\alpha(yx)d(x)$. Using (6), we arrive at $d(x)\alpha(x)d(x)\alpha(x) = d(x)\alpha(y)\alpha(x)d(x)$, and so $d(x)\alpha(y)[d(x), \alpha(x)] = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. Using the same arguments in the proof of Theorem 2.1 (i), we obtain $[d(x), \alpha(x)] = 0$. Since $\alpha(x) = x$, for all $x \in S$, then $[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $x \in S$. Hence d is commuting on S , and d is centralizing on S . \square

Corollary 2.7. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d acts as anti-homomorphism on R , then R is commutative integral domain.*

Theorem 2.8. *Let R be a semiprime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If R admits an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation such that $d(x)d(y) - xy \in Z$, for all $x, y \in R$, then d is centralizing.*

Proof. Replacing x by xz in the hypothesis, we get

$$d(x)\alpha(z)d(y) + x(d(z)d(y) - zy) \in Z, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \quad (7)$$

Commuting (7) with x , we have $[d(x)\alpha(x)d(y), x] = 0$, for all $x, y, z \in R$ and so $[d(x)\alpha(z), x]d(y) + d(x)\alpha(z)[d(y), x] = 0$, for all $x, y, z \in R$. Writing $\alpha(z)$ by $zd(t)$, $t \in R$ in this equation and using this equation yields that $[d(x)zd(t), x]d(y) + d(x)zd(t)[d(y), x] = 0$. That is, $d(x)zd(t)[d(y), x] = 0$, for all $t, x, y, z \in R$. Taking x instead of y in the above equation, we find that

$$d(x)zd(t)[d(x), x] = 0, \text{ for all } t, x, z \in R. \quad (8)$$

Multiplying (8) on the left by x , we have

$$xd(x)zd(t)[d(x), x] = 0, \text{ for all } t, x, z \in R. \quad (9)$$

Again replacing z by xz in (8), we obtain

$$d(x)xzd(t)[d(x), x] = 0, \text{ for all } t, x, z \in R. \quad (10)$$

Subtracting (9) from (10), we see that $[d(x), x]zd(t)[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $t, x, z \in R$. Again multiplying this equation on the left by $d(t)$, we have $d(t)[d(x), x]zd(t)[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $t, x, z \in R$. Since R is semiprime ring, we get $d(t)[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $t, x \in R$. Substituting xt for t in the last equation and using the last equation, we obtain $d(x)\alpha(t)[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $t, x \in R$. Using the same arguments in the proof of Theorem 2.2 (i), we conclude that $[d(x), x]\alpha(t)[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $t, x \in R$. Again using the semiprimeness of R , we get $[d(x), x] = 0$, for all $x \in R$. This yields that d is commuting, and so d is centralizing. \square

Corollary 2.9. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If R admits an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation such that $d(x)d(y) - xy \in Z$, for all $x, y \in R$, then d is centralizing.*

In the similar manner of Theorem 2.5, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.10. *Let R be a semiprime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If R admits an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation such that $d(x)d(y) + xy \in Z$, for all $x, y \in R$, then d is centralizing.*

Corollary 2.11. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If R admits a $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation such that $d(x)d(y) + xy \in Z$, for all $x, y \in R$, then d is centralizing.*

Theorem 2.12. *Let R be a semiprime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d satisfies one of the following conditions, then d is centralizing.*

$$(i). d(xoy) = (xoy)_{\alpha,1}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$(ii). d(xoy) = -(xoy)_{\alpha,1}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Proof. (i). Assume that $d(xoy) = (xoy)_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. Writing y by yx in this equation yields that

$$d(xoy)\alpha(x) + (xoy)d(x) - d(y)\alpha[x, x] - yd[x, x] = (xoy)_{\alpha,1}\alpha(x) - y[x, x]_{\alpha,1}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Using the hypothesis, we get $(xoy)d(x) = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. Replacing y by zy in the above equation and using this equation, we get $z(xoy)d(x) + [x, z]yd(x) = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. That is $[x, z]yd(x) = 0$. Again replacing z by $d(x)$ in the above equation, we obtain

$$[x, d(x)]yd(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (11)$$

Replacing y by yx in (11), we get

$$[x, d(x)]yxd(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (12)$$

Multiplying (11) on the right by x , we have

$$[x, d(x)]yd(x)x = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (13)$$

Subtracting (13) from (12), we arrive at

$$[x, d(x)]y[x, d(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (14)$$

By the semiprimeness of R , we conclude that $[x, d(x)] = 0$, for all $x \in R$ and so $[x, d(x)] \in Z$.

(ii). In the similar manner, we can prove that $d(xoy) = -(xoy)_{\alpha,1}$, for all $x, y \in R$. \square

Corollary 2.13. *Let R be a prime ring and d be an $(\alpha, 1)$ derivation of R . If d satisfies one of the following conditions, then d is centralizing.*

$$(i). d(xoy) = (xoy)_{\alpha,1}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$(ii). d(xoy) = -(xoy)_{\alpha,1}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

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