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## REMARKS ON GENERALIZED $(\alpha, \beta)$ -DERIVATIONS IN SEMIPRIME RINGS

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ABSTRACT. Let R be an associative ring and  $\alpha, \beta : R \to R$  ring homomorphisms. An additive mapping  $d : R \to R$  is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R if  $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$  is fulfilled for any  $x, y \in R$ , and an additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  is called a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R associated with an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation d if  $D(xy) = D(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ is fulfilled for all  $x, y \in R$ . In this note, we intend to generalize a theorem of Vukman [5], and a theorem of Daif and El-Sayiad [2].

## 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, R will represent an associative ring with center Z(R)and  $\alpha, \beta : R \to R$  ring homomorphisms. Given an integer  $n \ge 2$ , a ring R is said to be *n*-torsion free, if for  $x \in R$ , nx = 0 implies x = 0. An additive mapping  $d : R \to R$  is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R if  $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ is fulfilled for any  $x, y \in R$ , and an additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  is called a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R associated with an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation d if  $D(xy) = D(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$  is fulfilled for all  $x, y \in R$ , we denote this generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation as (D, d). Now we call an additive mapping F : $R \to R$  an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation as (D, d). Now we call an additive mapping F is an identity map of R, then we call a (1, 1)-derivation (D, d). If  $\alpha = \beta$  is an identity map of R, then we call a (1, 1)-derivation associated a derivation d, and we call a (1, 1)-G-mapping F a G-mapping.

**Example 1.1.** Let S be a semiprime ring, and let  $R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix} | x, y, z \in S \right\}$ . Now, we define maps  $F, D, d : R \to R$  by

$$F\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix}, D\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix}$$

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and

$$d\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, it can be verified that R is a ring which is not semiprime, d is a derivation of R, (D, d) is a generalized derivation and (F, D) is a G-mapping which is not a generalized derivation.

An additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  is called a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation if  $D(x^2) = D(x)\alpha(x) + \beta(x)D(x)$  is fulfilled for all  $x \in R$ . An additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  is called a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -Jordan derivation if  $D(x^2) = D(x)\alpha(x) + \beta(x)d(x)$  for all  $x \in R$  and for some  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation d. We call a generalized (1, 1)-Jordan derivation a generalized Jordan derivation.

In [5], J. Vukman introduced additive mappings  $F : R \to R$  such that F(xyx) = F(xy)x + xyF(x) for all  $x, y \in R$ , and  $G : R \to R$  such that G(xyx) = G(x)yx + xG(yx) for all  $x, y \in R$ . We call this additive mappings F (resp. G) a left (resp. right) V-derivation. In [5], Vukman obtained the following result:

**Theorem A.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let  $D : R \to R$ be an additive mapping. Suppose that either D(xyx) = D(xy)x + xyD(x) or D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(xy) holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ . In both cases D is a derivation.

Further, in [2], M. N. Daif and M. N. Tammam El-Sayiad introduced an additive mapping  $G: R \to R$  such that G(xyx) = G(x)yx + xD(yx) is fulfilled for all  $x, y \in R$  and for some derivation D, and we call this additive mapping G a DS-derivation. And, Daif and Tammam El-Sayiad [2] proved the following result.

**Theorem B.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let  $G : R \to R$  be an additive mapping. If G(xyx) = F(x)yx + xD(yx) for all  $x, y \in R$  for some derivation D of R, then G is a generalized Jordan derivation.

We call an additive mapping  $F : R \to R$  a left (resp. right) Vukman- $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation if  $F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)F(x)$  (resp.  $F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)F(yx)$ ) for all  $x, y \in R$  (abbreviated as V- $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation). And we call an additive mapping F a generalized left (resp. right) Vukman- $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation (abbreviated as GV- $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation) if  $F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x)$  (resp.  $F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx)$ ) for all  $x, y \in R$  and for some left (resp. right) Vukman- $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation D.

Now, we denote the relationships of above various derivations as follows:

$V-(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations $\Leftarrow$	$(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations $=$	$\longrightarrow$ Jordan $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation
$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	Ļ
$GV-(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations =	$\implies$ generalized $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations $\implies$	$\Rightarrow$ generalized Jordan ( $\alpha, \beta$ )-derivations

 $(\alpha, \beta)$  *G*-mappings

In this note, we intend to generalize above theorem of Vukman [5], and a theorem of Daif and El-Sayiad [2].

## 2. Results

We will prepare a few lemmas which are essential for developing the proof of our main result.

**Lemma 2.1** ([3] Corollary 2.1(1)). Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring, L be a square-closed Lie ideal of R such that  $L \nsubseteq Z(R)$  and let  $a \in L$ . If aLa = 0, then a = 0.

**Lemma 2.2** ([4] Theorem 2). Let R be a 2-torsion-free semiprime ring and D a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R with  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  an automorphism of R. Then D is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R.

**Lemma 2.3** ([1] Theorem 3.1). Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring,  $\alpha$  an automorphism of R and  $\beta$  an endmorphism of R. If F is a generalized Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation with some Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation D, then F is a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation associated with D.

We shall start our investigations with the following proposition concerning  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -G-mappings.

**Proposition 2.1.** Let R be a semiprime ring, and  $\beta$  an epimorphism. If F is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -G-mapping of R associated with a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation (D, d), then D = d, and so F is a generalized  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation of R associated with an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation d.

*Proof.* By our hypothesis on F,

 $F(xyx) = F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx) = F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(y)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)d(x)$ 

for all  $x, y \in R$ . While, we have

 $F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x) = F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(y)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x)$ 

for all  $x, y \in R$ . Comparing above two equations, we get

(2.1)  $\beta(xy)(D-d)(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$ 

Hence, we obtain that  $(D - d)(x)\beta(x)\beta(y)(D - d)(x)\beta(x) = 0$  for all  $y \in R$ . Since  $\beta$  is an epimorphism and R is semiprime, we have  $(D - d)(x)\beta(x) = 0$ . While,

$$\beta(x)(D-d)(x)\beta(y)\beta(x)(D-d)(x) = 0 \text{ for all } y \in R$$

by (2.1). So, we have  $\beta(x)(D-d)(x) = 0$ . By linearizing,

$$\beta(x)(D-d)(z) + \beta(z)(D-d)(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, z \in R.$$

Multiplying (D-d)(x) from the left, we have

$$0 = (D - x)(x)\beta(x)(D - d)(z) + (D - d)(x)\beta(z)(D - d)(x)$$
  
=  $(D - d)(x)\beta(z)(D - d)(x)$ 

for all  $z \in R$ . By semiprimeness of R, we have (D - d)(x) = 0 for all  $x \in R$ . And so, D = d, that is, F is a generalized derivation associated with d.

Now, we prove our main theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $L \nsubseteq Z(R)$  be a square-closed Lie ideal of R. Let  $F, D : R \to R$  be additive mappings such that  $F(L) \subseteq L$  and  $D(L) \subseteq L$ , and let  $\alpha, \beta$  be ring homomorphisms of R such that  $\alpha(L) \subseteq L$  and  $\beta(L) \subseteq L$ .

- (i) If  $F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in L$  and  $\beta(L) = L$ , then D is a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation on L.
- (ii) If F(xyx) = F(x)α(yx) + β(x)D(yx) and D(xyx) = D(x)α(yx) + β(x)D(yx) hold for all x, y ∈ L and α(L) = L, then F is a generalized Jordan (α, β)-derivation associated with a Jordan (α, β)-derivation D on L.
- (iii) If  $F(xyx) = \alpha(x)F(yx) + D(x)\beta(yx)$  holds for all  $x, y \in L$  and  $\beta(L) = L$ , then D is a Jordan  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation on L.
- (iv) If  $F(xyx) = \alpha(xy)F(x) + D(xy)\beta(x)$  and  $D(xyx) = \alpha(xy)D(x) + D(xy)\beta(x)$  hold for all  $x, y \in L$  and  $\alpha(L) = L$ , then F is a generalized Jordan  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation associated with a Jordan  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation D on L.

*Proof.* (i) We have

(2.2) 
$$F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x)$$

for all  $x, y \in L$ . Linearizing above relation, we have

(2.3) 
$$F(xyz + zyx) = F(xy)\alpha(z) + F(zy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(z) + \beta(zy)D(x)$$

for all  $x, y \in L$ . Replacing z by  $x^2$  in (2.3), we get

$$(2.4) \ F(xyx^2 + x^2yx) = F(xy)\alpha(x^2) + F(x^2y)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x^2) + \beta(x^2y)D(x).$$

On the other hand, in (2.2), substituting xy + yx for y, we obtain that

(2.5) 
$$F(x^2yx + xyx^2) = F(x^2y + xyx)\alpha(x) + \beta(x^2y + xyx)D(x)$$
$$= F(x^2y)\alpha(x) + F(xy)\alpha(x^2) + \beta(xy)D(x)\alpha(x)$$
$$+ \beta(x^2y + xyx)D(x).$$

Comparing (2.4) with (2.5), we have

$$\beta(x)\beta(y)\{D(x^2) - D(x)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(x)\} = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in L$ . Since  $\beta$  is a ring homomorphism and  $\beta(L) = L$ , we find that

$$\beta(x)z\{D(x^2) - D(x)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(x)\} = 0$$

for all  $x, z \in L$ . Now, we set  $A(x) = D(x^2) - D(x)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(x)$ . Since  $D(L) \subseteq L$ ,  $\alpha(L) \subseteq L$  and  $\beta(L) \subseteq L$ , we find that

$$\beta(x)A(x)z\beta(x)A(x) = 0$$

and

$$A(x)\beta(x)zA(x)\beta(x) = 0.$$

Since R is semiprime, we have

$$\beta(x)A(x) = 0$$

by Lemma 2.1. In (2.6), substituting x + z for x, we have

(2.8) 
$$A(x)\beta(z) + A(z)\beta(x) + B(x,z)\beta(x) + B(x,z)\beta(z) = 0,$$

where

$$B(x,z) = D(xz + zx) - D(x)\alpha(z) - D(z)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(z) - \beta(z)D(x).$$

In (2.8), substituting -x for x, we get

(2.9) 
$$A(x)\beta(z) - A(z)\beta(x) + B(x,z)\beta(x) - B(x,z)\beta(z) = 0$$

By comparing (2.8) and (2.9), we get

$$2\{A(x)\beta(z) + B(x,z)\beta(x)\} = 0.$$

Since R is 2-torsion free, we have

$$A(x)\beta(z) + B(x,z)\beta(x) = 0.$$

And so we have

$$0 = A(x)\beta(z)A(x) + B(x,z)\beta(x)A(x) = A(x)\beta(z)A(x)$$

by (2.7). Since  $\beta(L) = L$ , we get

$$A(x)yA(x) = 0$$
 for all  $x, y \in L$ .

By semiprimeness of R, we obtain that A(x) = 0 for all  $x \in L$  by Lemma 2.1 and hence, D is a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation on L.

(ii) Now, assume that

(2.10) 
$$F(xyx) = F(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx)$$

and

(2.11) 
$$D(xyx) = D(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx)$$

for all  $x, y \in L$ . In (2.10), by linearizing, we have

$$F(xyz + zyx) = F(x)\alpha(yz) + F(z)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yz) + \beta(z)D(yx)$$

Now, substituting  $x^2$  for z, we have (2.12)

$$F(xyx^{2} + x^{2}yx) = F(x)\alpha(yx^{2}) + F(x^{2})\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx^{2}) + \beta(x^{2})D(yx).$$

In (2.10), substituting xy + yx for y, we have

(2.13)  

$$F(x^2yx + xyx^2) = F(x)\alpha(xyx + yx^2) + \beta(x)D(xyx + yx^2)$$

$$= F(x)\alpha(xyx) + F(x)\alpha(yx^2)$$

$$+ \beta(x)\{D(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx) + D(yx^2)\}.$$

By comparing (2.12) with (2.13), we get

$$\{F(x^2) - F(x)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(x)\}\alpha(y)\alpha(x) = 0$$

for all  $x \in L$ . Now, we set

$$E(x) = F(x^2) - F(x)\alpha(x) - \beta(x)D(x).$$

Since  $\alpha(L) = L$ , we have  $E(x)z\alpha(x) = 0$  for all  $x, z \in L$ . As a similar way to the proof of (i), we obtain E(x) = 0, that is,

$$F(x^2) = F(x)\alpha(x) + \beta(x)D(x)$$
 for all  $x \in L$ .

In the case of  $D(xyx) = D(x)\alpha(yx) + \beta(x)D(yx)$ , D is a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ derivation on L by the similar arguments to the above arguments, and so Fis a generalized Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation on L associated with a Jordan  $(\alpha, \beta)$ derivation D on L.

- (iii) The proof is similar to that of (i).
- (iv) The proof is similar to that of (ii).

In the following there are some immediate consequences of the above theorem.

**Corollary 2.1.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring,  $\alpha, \beta$  endomorphisms of R, and let  $F, D : R \to R$  be additive mappings.

- (i) If  $F(xyx) = F(xy)\alpha(x) + \beta(xy)D(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ , and  $\beta$  is an automorphism of R, then D is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivation.
- (ii) If F(xyx) = F(x)α(yx) + β(x)D(yx) and D(xyx) = D(x)α(yx) + β(x)D(yx) hold for all x, y ∈ R and α is an automorphism of R, then F is a generalized (α, β)-derivation associated with an (α, β)-derivation D.
- (iii) If  $F(xyx) = \alpha(x)F(yx) + D(x)\beta(yx)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ , and  $\beta$  is an automorphism of R, then D is a  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation.
- (iv) If  $F(xyx) = \alpha(xy)F(x) + D(xy)\beta(x)$  and  $D(xyx) = \alpha(xy)D(x) + D(xy)\beta(x)$  hold for all  $x, y \in R$ , and  $\alpha$  is an automorphism of R, then F is a generalized  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation associated with a  $(\beta, \alpha)$ -derivation D.

**Corollary 2.2.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring,  $D : R \to R$  an additive mapping. Then the followings are equivalent:

- (1)  $D(xyx) = D(xy)x + xy(D(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$
- (2) D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(yx) for all  $x, y \in R$ .

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- (3) D(xyx) = D(xy)x + xyD(x) or D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xyD(x) for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- (4) D is a derivation.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). In Corollary 1, by putting F = D, D is a derivation. Similarly, (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) is proved.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (4). We put R_x = \{y \in R \mid D(xyx) = D(xy)x + xD(x) \text{ for all } x \in R\}$ and  $R_x^* = \{y \in R \mid D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(yx) \text{ for all } x \in R\}$ . Then we have  $R = R_x \cup R_x^*$ . Since  $R_x$  and  $R_x^*$  are additive groups,  $R = R_x$  or  $R = R_x^*$ by Brauer's Trick. By the same method, we have  $R = \{x \in R \mid R = R_x\}$  or  $R = \{R = R_x^*\}$ . Therefore, by (1) and (2), D is a derivation. (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1), (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) and (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) are clear.

**Corollary 2.3.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring, and let  $F, D : R \to R$  be additive mappings.

- (i) If one of the following conditions is fulfilled, then F is a generalized derivation associated with a derivation D.
  - (1) F(xyx) = F(x)yx + xD(yx) and D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(yx) for all  $x, y \in R$ .
  - (2) F(xyx) = xyF(x) + D(xy)x and D(xyx) = xyD(x) + D(xy)x for all  $x, y \in R$ .
  - (3) F(xyx) = F(x)yx + xD(yx) and D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(yx), or F(xyx) = xyF(x) + D(xy)x and D(xyx) = xyD(x) + D(xy)x for all  $x, y \in R$ .
- (ii) If one of the following conditions is fulfilled, then D is a derivation.
  - (4) F(xyx) = F(xy)x + xyD(x) for all  $x, y \in R$ . (5) F(xyx) = xF(yx) + D(x)yx for all  $x, y \in R$ .
  - (6) F(xyx) = F(xy)x + xyD(x) or F(xyx) = xF(yx) + D(x)yx for all  $x, y \in R$ .

*Proof.* By the similar method of Corollary 2.2, this corollary is proved.  $\Box$ 

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