

DERIVATIONS ACTING AS 3 - HOMOMORPHISMS & 3 - ANTIHOMOMORPHISMS ON PRIME RINGS



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ABSTRACT

Let R be a ring. An additive mapping $f:R \rightarrow R$ is called 3-homomorphism (resp.3-antihomomorphism) on R iff $f(xyz) = f(x)f(y)f(z)$ (resp. $f(xyz) = f(z)f(y)f(x)$) for all $x, y, z \in R$. In the present paper, we investigate the form of derivation on a prime ring that acts as a 3 homomorphism or as a 3-antihomorphism on a ring R .

INTRODUCTION:

Throughout this article, R will represent an associative ring with centre $Z(R)$. We denote $[x, y] = xy - yx$, the commutator of x and y . A ring R is said to be 2-torsion free if $2a = 0$ (where $a \in R$) implies $a = 0$. A ring R is called a prime ring if $aRb = (0)$ (where $a, b \in R$) implies $a = 0$ or $b = 0$. An additive mapping $f:R \rightarrow R$ is called a homomorphism (resp. antihomomorphism) of R if $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$ (resp. $f(xy) = f(y)f(x)$) for all $x, y \in R$. Following [4], an additive mapping $f:R \rightarrow R$ is called a n -homomorphism (resp. n -antihomomorphism) of R if

$$f(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(a_i) \text{ (resp. } f(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(a_i)) \text{ for all } a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in R.$$

For $n = 3$, it is known as 3-homomorphism (resp. 3-antihomomorphism) of R . The concept of n -homomorphism was studied for complex algebras by Hejazian, Mirzavaziri and Moslehian [4] (see also [5]), where some of their significant properties are investigated on Banach algebras. It can be easily seen that every homomorphism of R is the n -homomorphism of R for all $n \geq 2$, but the converse is not true in general. For instance, let $f: R \rightarrow R$ be a nonzero homomorphism on R . Then f is a 3-homomorphism on R , but not the homomorphism of R . Some other examples can be found in [4]. Thus, it is reasonable to extend the results for homomorphism and antihomomorphism to n -homomorphism and n -antihomomorphism, respectively. In this paper, we describe the form of generalized derivation which acts as 3-homomorphism and 3-antihomomorphism on prime rings.

An additive mapping $d:R \rightarrow R$ is said to be a derivation of R if $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$. A derivation d is said to be inner if there exists $a \in R$ such that $d(x) = ax - xa$ for all $x \in R$.

In [1], Bell and Kappe proved that if a derivation d of a prime ring R which acts as homomorphisms or antihomomorphisms on a nonzero right ideal of R then $d = 0$ on R .

The objective of the present paper is to extend the above mentioned result as follows:

Theorem 1.1. Let R be a prime ring. Suppose $d:R \rightarrow R$ is an additive mapping satisfying $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$.

1. If d acts as a 3-homomorphism on R , then $d = 0$.
2. (ii) If d acts as a 3-antihomomorphism on R , then $d = 0 \neq$ (In the case if $d = 0$, then R is commutative).

Before proving our main result, we need following lemma:

Lemma 1.1 ([6], Lemma 1). Let d be a derivation of a prime ring R and a be a non zero element of R . If $ad(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$, then either $a = 0$ or $d = 0$.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. (i) If d acts as a 3-homomorphism of R , then we have

$$(1.1) \quad d(xyzt) = d(xyz)t + xyzd(t) = d(x)d(y)d(z)t + xyzd(t) \text{ for all } t, x, y, z \in R.$$

On the other hand

$$(1.2) \quad d(xyzt) = d(x)d(y)d(zt) = d(x)d(y)d(z)t + d(x)d(y)zd(t) \text{ for all } t, x, y, z \in R.$$

On comparing equations (1.1) and (1.2), we get $d(x)d(y)zd(t) = xyzd(t)$. This implies that $(d(x)d(y) - xy)zd(t) = 0$. Hence using the primeness of R , we obtain either $d(x)d(y) - xy = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$ or $d(t) = 0$ for all $t \in R$. Assume that $d \neq 0$. Then $d(x)d(y) - xy = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. Replacing y by yt in the last expression, we get $d(x)d(y)t + d(x)y d(t) - xyt = 0$. Hence $d(x)y d(t) = 0$ for all $t, x, y \in R$. Since R is prime, the above relation yields that $d(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$.

This leads to a contradiction.

(ii) Suppose d acts as the 3-antihomomorphism of R and assume that $d \neq 0$. By the given assumption, we have

$$d(xyz) = d(xy)z + xyd(z) = d(x)yz + xd(y)z + xyd(z) = d(z)d(y)d(x) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \quad \text{That is,}$$

$$(1.3) \quad d(z)d(y)d(x) = d(x)yz + xd(y)z + xyd(z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

Replacing x by xz in (1.3), we get

$$d(z)d(y)d(x)z + d(z)d(y)xd(z) = d(x)zyz + xd(z)yz + xzd(y)z + xzyd(z).$$

Since d acts as the 3-antihomomorphism on R , we get

$$d(xyz)z + d(z)d(y)xd(z) = d(x)zyz + xd(z)yz + xzd(y)z + xzyd(z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R.$$

This implies that

$$d(xy)z^2 + xyd(z)z + d(z)d(y)xd(z) = d(x)zyz + xd(z)yz + xzd(y)z + xzyd(z)$$

for all $x, y, z \in R$. This further implies that

$$d(xy)z^2 + xd(y^2) + xyd(z)z + d(z)d(y)xd(z) = d(x)zyz + xd(z)yz + xzd(y)z + xzyd(z).$$

Taking $y = z$ in the last expression, we arrive at

$$(1.4) \quad d(z^2)xd(z) = xz^2(z) \text{ for all } x, z \in R.$$

Replacing x by tx in (1.4), we get

$$(1.5) \quad d(z^2)txd(z) = txd(z) \text{ for all } t, x, z \in R.$$

Left multiplying (1.4) by t , we obtain

$$(1.6) \quad td(z)^2xd = txd(z) \text{ for all } t, x, \in R.$$

On comparing (1.5) and (1.6), we arrive at $dz^2txd(z) - td(z)^2(xd(z)) = 0$ for all $t, x, \in R$. That is, $[d(z)^2xd(z)] = 0$ for all $t, x, z \in R$. Suppose $D(t) = [d(z)^2]$ is a nonzero derivation of R , then in view of Lemma 1.1, we get $xd(z) = 0$ for all $x, z \in R$ and hence by the primeness of R , $d(z) = 0$ for all $z \in R$, a contradiction. Therefore, we must have $D(t) = [d(z)^2] = 0$ for all $t, z \in R$. That is, $d(z)^2t = td(z)^2$ (for all $t, z \in R$). Thus $d(x) = d(xy^2) = d(y)d(y)d(x) = d(y^2) = d(x)d(y^2) = d(x)d(y)d(y) = d(y^2x)$ that is, $d([x, (y^2)]) = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. Replacing x by xy , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d([xy, y^2]) \\ &= d([x, y^2]y) \\ &= [x, y^2]d(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $x \mapsto [x, y^2]$ is a nonzero derivation of R , then in view of Lemma 1.1, we get $d(y) = 0$ for all $y \in R$, a contradiction. Therefore we must have $[x, y^2] = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. This shows R is commutative. This completes the proof.

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