

Generalized (α, β) -derivations and Left Ideals in Prime and Semiprime

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Abstract

Let *R* be an associative ring, α , β be the automorphisms of *R*, λ be a nonzero left ideal of *R*, $F: R \to R$ be a generalized (α, β) -derivation and $d: R \to R$ be an (α, β) -derivation. In the present paper we discuss the following situations: (i) $F(xy) = \alpha \alpha(xy \pm yx)$, (ii) $F([x,y]) = \alpha \alpha(xy \pm yx)$, (iii) $d(x)od(y) = \alpha\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$ and $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$. Also some related results have been obtained.

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1 Intrduction

Throughout the paper let *R* be an associative ring with centre Z(R), α, β be the automorphisms of *R*, λ be a left ideal of *R*, *F* be a generalized (α, β) –derivation and *d* be an (α, β) –derivation of *R*. For any pair of element *x*, *y* in *R*, [x, y] denotes the commutator xy - yx and xoy denotes the anti-commutator xy + yx. If $S \subseteq R$, then we can define the left (resp. right) annihilator of *S* as $l(S) = \{x \in R \mid xs = 0 \text{ for all } s \in S\}$ (resp. $r(S) = \{x \in R \mid sx = 0 \text{ for all } s \in S\}$). Recall that a ring *R* is called prime if for any $x, y \in R$, xRy = 0 implies that either x = 0 or y = 0 and is called semiprime if xRx = 0 implies that x = 0.

An additive mapping $d: R \to R$ such that d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y) for all $x, y \in R$ is called a derivation. In [1] Bresar introduced the concept of a generalized derivation. An additive mapping $F: R \to R$ associated with a derivation $d: R \to R$ such that F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y) for all $x, y \in R$ is called a generalized derivation. So, every derivation is a generalized derivation but the converse is not true in general. Let $a, b \in R$, an additive mapping $F: R \to R$ defined as F(x) = ax + xbfor all $x \in R$ is an example of a generalized derivation. An additive mapping $d: R \to R$ is called an (α, β) -derivation if $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$. An additive mapping $F: R \to R$ is called a generalized (α, β) -derivation associated with (α, β) -derivation d if $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$. If d = 0, then we have $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$ which is called left α -multiplier mapping of R. Thus generalized (α, β) -derivation generalizes both the concepts, (α, β) -derivation as well as left α -multiplier mapping.

In [2], Daif and Bell proved that if R is a semiprime ring, I be a nonzero ideal of R and $d: R \to R$ is a derivation such that $d([x, y]) = \pm [x, y]$ for all $x, y \in I$, then I is a central ideal. In particular, if I = R, then R is commutative. Recently in [4] Dhara studied the above results in semiprime rings. In the present paper, our goal is to study the following identities:

(i) $F(xoy) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$, (ii) $F([x, y]) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$, (iii) $d(x)od(y) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, a one sided ideal of semiprime (prime) ring R and $a \in \{1, -1, 0\}$.

2 Main Results

We shall do a great deal of calculation with commutators and anti-commutators, routinely using the following basic identities:

 $\begin{array}{l} x \ o \ (yz) \ = \ (x \ oy)z \ - \ y[x,z] \ = \ y(x \ o \ z) \ + \ [x,y]z \\ (xy)oz \ = \ x(y \ o \ z) \ - \ [x,z]y \ = \ (x \ o \ z)y \ + \ x[y,z] \\ [x,yz] \ = \ (x \ oy)z \ - \ y(xoz) \ = \ y[x,z] \ + \ [x,y]z \end{array}$

Lemma 2.1 [5, lemma 3] If the prime ring *R* contains a commutative nonzero right ideal *I*, then *R* is commutative. **Theorem 2.2** Let *R* be a semiprime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of R. If *F* is a generalized (α, β) -derivation of R associated with an (α, β) -derivation d of R such that $F(x \circ y) = \alpha \alpha (xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, where

 $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$, then $[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) = 0$.

Proof. If $F(\lambda) = 0$, then $F(\lambda^2) = 0 = F(\lambda)\alpha(\lambda) + \beta(\lambda)d(\lambda)$ and hence, $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$, which gives our conclusion. Now assume that $F(\lambda) \neq 0$. Then by our assumption, we have



(2.3)

$$F(x \circ y) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$$
 for all $x, y \in \lambda$

(2.1) Replacing **v** by vx in the above equation (2.1), we have

$$F((x \circ y)x) = a\alpha((xy \pm yx)x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$$
(2.2)

Since F is a generalized (α, β) -derivation, we have

 $F(x \circ y)\alpha(x) + \beta(x \circ y)d(x) = \alpha\alpha(xy \pm yx)\alpha(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$

Therefore, we have by using equation (2.1) $\beta(xoy)d(x) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

Again we replace $y by zy, z \in \lambda$ in equation (2.3), to have

 $\beta[x, z]\beta(y)d(x) = 0 \quad for \ all \quad x, y \in \lambda.$ (2.4)

Replacing y by $ry, r \in R$, we get $\beta[x,z]R\beta(y)d(x) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

(2.5)

Since **R** is semiprime, it must contain a family $\mathfrak{I} = \{I_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of prime ideals such that $\bigcap I_{\alpha} = 0$. If I is a typical element of \mathfrak{I} and $y \in \lambda$, we have either $[\beta(x),\beta(z)] \subseteq I$ or $\beta(y)d(x) \subseteq I$. For a fixed I, the following two sets are additive subgroup of λ such that $T_1 \cup T_2 = \lambda$:

$$T_1 = \{ x \in \lambda : [\beta(x), \beta(\lambda)] \subseteq I \}$$

$$T_2 = \{ x \in \lambda : \beta(\lambda)d(x) \subseteq I \}.$$

By Brauer's trick, we have either $T_1 = \lambda$ or $T_2 = \lambda$ i.e either $[\beta(x),\beta(\lambda)] \subseteq I$ or $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) \subseteq I$. Above two conditions together implies that $[\beta(x),\beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) \subseteq I$ for any $I \in \mathfrak{I}$. Therefore, we have $[\beta(\lambda),\beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) \subseteq I_{\alpha} = 0$.

Corollary 2.3 Let R be a prime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of R. If R admits a generalized (α, β) -derivation F associated with an (α, β) -derivation d such that $F(x \circ y) = a\alpha(x \circ y)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, where $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$, then one of the following holds: (i) $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$

(f) p(n)u(n) = 0

(ii) R is commutative ring with char(R) = 2

(iii) R is commutative ring with $char(R) \neq 2$ and F(x) = aa(x) for all $x \in R$.

Proof. By Theorem 2.2 we have $[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) = 0$. This gives that

 $F(xy) = a\alpha(xy)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

 $0 = [\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda^2)]d(\lambda) = [\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = [\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]\beta(R\lambda)d(\lambda) = [\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]R\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda).$ Using primeness of R, we have either $[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)] = 0$ or $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$. Now $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$ gives our conclusion (i). Let $[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)] = 0$. Then $\beta[\lambda, \lambda] = 0$. left multiplying by β^{-1} , we have $[\lambda, \lambda] = 0$ which implies that $[\lambda, R\lambda] = 0 = [\lambda, R]\lambda = [\lambda, R]$. Again this gives that $[R\lambda, R] = 0 = [R, R]\lambda$. In a prime ring left annihilator of a left ideal is zero, we have 0 = [R, R] and hence R is commutative. If char(R) = 2, we obtain our conclusion (ii). On the other hand if $char(R) \neq 2$, then from hypothesis we have

This gives that

$$(F(x) - a\alpha(x))\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y) = 0.$$
Now replacing x by xz in the equation (2.6), we have
$$((F(x) - a\alpha(x))\alpha(z) + \beta(x)d(z))\alpha(y) + \beta(xz)d(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in \lambda.$$
(2.6)

Using equation (2.6) in the above expression, we have

 $\beta(xz)d(y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

Replacing $y by yr, r \in R$ in the above expression, we have

 $\beta(xz)(d(y)\alpha(r) + \beta(y)d(r)) = 0$ for all $z, y, z \in \lambda$ and $r \in R$.

That is

 $\beta(xzy)d(r) = 0$ for all $x, y, z \in \lambda$ and $r \in R$.

Again replacing y by ys, we have

 $\beta(xzy)\beta(s)d(r) = 0$ for all $x, z, y \in \lambda$ and $r, s \in R$.

That is

 $\beta(xzy)Rd(r) = 0$ for all $x, y, z \in \lambda$ and $r \in R$.

Since R is a prime ring, we have either d(R) = 0 or $\beta(xzy) = 0$. Let $\beta(xzy) = 0$ i.e $\lambda^3 = 0$. Since R is a prime ring, we have $\lambda=0$ which is a contradiction.



Using d(R) = 0 in equation (2.6), we have

 $(F(x) - a\alpha(x))\alpha(y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

Therefor, we have $F(x) = a\alpha(x)$ for all $x \in \lambda$. Replacing x by rx, $r \in R$ and using d(R) = 0, we get $F(r) = a\alpha(r)$ for all $r \in R$.

Theorem 2.4 Let *R* be a semiprime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of *R*. If *F* is a generalized (α, β) -derivation of *R* associated with an (α, β) -derivation *d* of *R* such that $F([x, y]) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$ where $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$, then $[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) = 0$.

Proof. If $F(\lambda) = 0$, then for any $x, y \in \lambda$ we have $0 = F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y) = \beta(x)d(y)$ i.e $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$. This gives our conclusion. So we assume that $F(\lambda) \neq 0$. Then by our assumption, we have

$$F([x,y]) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda$$

(2.7)

Substituting yx for y in equation (2.7), we have $F([x, y]x) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)\alpha(x)$. That is

$$F([x,y])\alpha(x)+\beta([x,y])d(y)=a\alpha(xy\pm yx)\alpha(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$$

(2.8)

Now using equation (2.7) in equation (2.8), we get $\beta([x,y])d(y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

(2.9)

Substituting *zy* for *y*, *z* $\in \lambda$, we have $\beta([x,y])\beta(z)d(y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$ which is same as equation (2.4). Arguing as in Theorem 2.2 we can conclude the result.

Corollary 2.5 Let *R* be a prime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of R. If *F* is a generalized (α, β) -derivation of *R* associated with an (α, β) -derivation *d* of R such that $F([x, y]) = \alpha\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, where $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$, then either *R* is commutative or $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$ and one of the following holds: (i) $\alpha(\lambda)[\alpha(\lambda), \alpha(\lambda)] = 0$ (ii) $F(x) = \alpha\alpha(x)$ for all $x \in \lambda$. Also in this case, if $a \neq 0$ then char(*R*) is 2.

(ii) $F(x) = a\alpha(x)$ for all $x \in \lambda$. Also in this case, if $a \neq 0$ then char(.

Proof. By Theorem 2.4, we have

$$[\beta(\lambda), \beta(\lambda)]d(\lambda) = 0.$$
(2.10)

Again by corollary (2.3), we have either R is commutative or $\beta(\lambda)d(\lambda) = 0$. We assume that R is not commutative. Then for any $x, y \in \lambda$, $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ implying that $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y)$ i.e. F acts as a left α -multiplier on λ . Replacing y by $yz, z \in \lambda$ in our hypothesis, we get

 $F([x,y]z + y[x,z]) = a\alpha((xy \pm yx)z \mp y[x,z]).$

(2.11)

Since F acts as left α —multiplier on λ , we have

$$F([x,y])\alpha(z) + F(y)\alpha([x,z]) = \alpha\alpha((xy \pm yx)z \mp y[x,z]) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$$

(2.12)

By hypothesis, we have

 $F(y)\alpha([x,z]) = \alpha\alpha(y[x,z]) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$

That is

 $(F(y) - a\alpha(y))\alpha([x,z]) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$

(2.13)

Replacing x by xv in above equation (2.13), we have

$$(F(y) - a\alpha(y))\alpha(x)\alpha([v,z]) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, v \in \lambda.$$

(2.14) That is



$$(F(y) - a\alpha(y))R\alpha(x)\alpha([v, z]) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, v \in \lambda$$

(2.15) Using primeness of R in the above expression, we get either $F(y) - a\alpha(y) = 0$ or $\alpha(x)\alpha([v,z]) = 0$ i.e either $F(y) = a\alpha(y)$ or $\alpha(\lambda)[\alpha(\lambda),\alpha(\lambda)] = 0$. When $F(y) = a\alpha(y)$, then by hypothesis we get $a\alpha([x,y]) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$. If $a\alpha([x,y]) = a\alpha(xy - yx)$, then it is trivial and nothing is to prove. So we consider the following $a\alpha([x,y]) = a\alpha(xy + yx)$ i.e $2a\alpha(yx) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$. This can be written as $2a\alpha(R\lambda^2) = 0$ i.e $2aR\alpha(\lambda^2) = 0$. Since λ is a nonzero left ideal of R, we have either a = 0 or char(R) = 2.

Theorem 2.6 Let *R* be a semiprime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of *R* and *d* is an (α, α) -derivation of *R* such that $d(x)od(y) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx)$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, where $a \in \{0, 1, -1\}$, then $\alpha(\lambda)[[\alpha(\lambda), d(\lambda)], d(\lambda)] = 0$.

Proof. By our hypothesis, we have $d(x)d(y) + d(y)d(x) = a\alpha(xy \pm yx) \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$ (2.16)

Replacing y by yx in the above expression, we have for all $x, y \in \lambda$ $d(x)(d(y)\alpha((x) + \alpha(y)d(x)) + (d(y)\alpha((x) + \alpha(y)d(x))d(x)) = \alpha\alpha((xy \pm yx)x). \quad (2.17)$

Now using equation (2.16) in equation (2.17), we get

$$d(x)\alpha(y)d(x) + d(y)[\alpha(x), d(x)] + \alpha(y)d(x)^2 = 0.$$
(2.18)

Again replacing y by xy in the above equation (2.18), we have

 $d(x)\alpha(xy)d(x) + (d(y)\alpha(y) + \alpha(x)d(y))[\alpha(x), d(x)] + \alpha(y)d(x)^{2} = 0$ (2.19)

Now left multiplying equation (2.18) by $\alpha(x)$ and subtracting from equation (2.19), we get $[d(x), \alpha(x)]\alpha(y)d(x) + d(x)\alpha(y)[\alpha(x), d(x)] = 0$ (2.20)

Replacing y by $a^{-1}(d(x))y$ in the above expression, we have

$$[d(x), \alpha(x)]d(x)\alpha(y)d(x) + d(x)^{2}\alpha(y)[\alpha(x), d(x)] = 0$$
(2.21)

left multiplying equation (2.20) by d(x) and subtracting from equation (2.21), we have

$$\left[\left[\alpha(x), d(x)\right], d(x)\right]\alpha(y)d(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$$

$$(2.22)$$

This implies that $[[\alpha(x), d(x)], d(x)]\alpha(y)[[\alpha(x), d(x)], d(x)] = 0$ and hence $\alpha(y)[[\alpha(x), d(x)], d(x)]R\alpha(y)[[\alpha(x), d(x)], d(x)] = 0$. Since R is a semiprime ring we have $\alpha(\lambda)[[\alpha(\lambda), d(\lambda)], d(\lambda)] = 0$.

Theorem 2.7 Let *R* be a prime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of *R* such that $r(\lambda) = 0$. If *R* admits a generalized (α, β) -derivation *F* associated with a nonzero (α, β) -derivation *d* such that $F(\alpha([x, y])) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, then *R* is commutative.

Proof. By assumption, we have

$$F(\alpha([x,y])) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in \lambda.$$

(2.23)

Replacing y by yx in (2.23) and using (2.23), we get $\beta \alpha([x, y])d(\alpha(x)) = 0$ which implies that $[x, y]\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

(2.24)

Now substituting ry for y in (2.24) and using (2.24), we obtain $[x,r]ya^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x)) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$. In particular, $[x, R]R\lambda a^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$ for all $x \in \lambda$. The primeness of \mathbb{R} yields that for each $x \in \lambda$, either [x, R] = 0 or $\lambda a^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$, in this case $d(\alpha(x)) = 0$. Set $\lambda_1 = \{x \in \lambda \mid [x, R] = 0\}$ and $\lambda_2 = \{x \in \lambda \mid d(\alpha(x)) = 0\}$. Then, λ_1 and λ_2 are both additive subgroups of λ such that $\lambda = \lambda_1 \cup \lambda_2$. Thus, by Brauer's trick, we have either $\lambda = \lambda_1$ or $\lambda = \lambda_2$. If $\lambda = \lambda_1$, then $[\lambda, R] = 0$ i.e. $\lambda \subseteq Z(R)$ and hence R is commutative by Lemma 2.1. If $\lambda = \lambda_2$, then $d(\alpha(\lambda)) = 0$ and $0 = d(\alpha(R\lambda)) = d(\alpha(R)) \alpha^2(\lambda) + \beta(\alpha(R)) d(\alpha(\lambda))$, which reduces to $d(\alpha(R)) \alpha^2(\lambda) = 0$ and hence



 $d(\alpha(R))\alpha^2(R\lambda) = 0 = d(\alpha(R))\alpha^2(R)\alpha^2(\lambda) = d(\alpha(R))R\alpha^2(\lambda)$. Since λ is nonzero left ideal and the last relation forces that $d(\alpha(R)) = 0$ *i.e* d = 0, contradiction.

Theorem 2.8 Let *R* be a prime ring and λ be a nonzero left ideal of *R* such that $r(\lambda) = 0$. If *R* admits a generalized (α, β) -derivation *F* associated with a nonzero (α, β) -derivation *d* such that $F(\alpha(x \circ y)) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$, then *R* is commutative.

Proof. By assumption, we have $F(\alpha(xoy)) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

(2.25)

Replacing y by yx in (2.25) and using (2.25), we get $\beta \alpha(x \circ y)d(\alpha(x)) = 0$, which implies that $(x \circ y)\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$.

(2.26) Now substituting ry for y in (2.26) and using (2.26), We obtain $[x,r]y\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x)) = 0$ for all $x, y \in \lambda$ and $r \in R$. In particular, $[x, R]R\lambda\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$ for all $x \in \lambda$. The primeness of R yields that for each $x \in \lambda$, either [x, R] = 0 or $\lambda \alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}(d(\alpha(x))) = 0$, in this case $d(\alpha(x)) = 0$. Arguing in the similar manner as in Theorem 2.7 we get the result.

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