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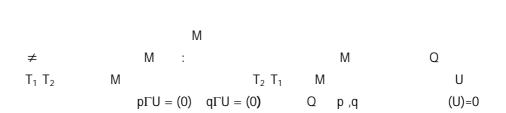
# ON CENTRALIZERS OF PRIME GAMMA RINGS

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#### Abstract

In this paper , we introduce some results in a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring M with centralizer which is related to the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring Q of M, and prove our main result; Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with char M  $\neq$  2, U a non-zero right ideal of M and T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub> two non-zero centralizers of M. If T<sub>1</sub>T<sub>2</sub>(U) = (0), then there exists two elements p, q of Q such that q $\Gamma$ U = (0) and p $\Gamma$ U = (0).



# **1.Introduction**

Nobusawa [1] introduced the notion of a  $\Gamma$ ring, an object more general than a ring. Barnes [2] slightly weakened the conditions in the definition of  $\Gamma$ -ring in the sense of Nobusawa. Öztürk et al. [3,4] studied extended centroid of prime  $\Gamma$ -rings. In this paper, we consider the main results as follows.1) Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring of characteristic 2, U a nonzero ideal of M, and  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  two non-zero centralizers of M. If  $T_1T_2(U) = (0)$ , there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T_2 = \lambda \alpha T_1$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ where  $C_{\Gamma}$  is the extended centroid of M. (2) Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring. U a non-zero right ideal of M and T a non-zero centralizer of M. If  $T(U)\Gamma a = (0)$  where a is a fixed element of M, then there exists an element q of Q such that  $q\alpha a = 0$  and  $q\beta u = 0$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . (3) Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with char M  $\neq$  2, U a non-zero right ideal of M and  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ two non-zero centralizers of M. If  $T_1T_2(U) =$ (0), then there exists two elements p, q of Qsuch that  $q\Gamma U = (0)$  and  $p\Gamma U = (0)$ .

# 1. Preliminaries

Let M and  $\Gamma$  be (additive) abelian groups. If for all a, b, c  $\in$  M and  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta \in \Gamma$  the conditions:

(1)  $a\alpha b \in M$ ,

(2)  $(a+b)\alpha c = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ ,

 $a(\alpha + \beta)b = a\alpha b + a\beta b$ ,

 $a\alpha(b+c) = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ 

(3)  $(a\alpha b)\beta c = a\alpha (b\beta c).$ 

are satisfied, then we call M a  $\Gamma$ -ring. Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. The subset

Z={x  $\in$  M | xym = myx for all m $\in$ M andy $\in$  Γ} is called the *center* of M. By a *right* (resp. *left*) *ideal* of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M we mean an additive subgroup U of M such that U $\Gamma$ M  $\subseteq$  U (resp. M $\Gamma$ U  $\subseteq$  U). If U is both a right and a left *ideal*, then we say that U is an *ideal* of M. For each a of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M the smallest right ideal *containing* a is called the *principal right ideal generated* by a and is denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_r$ . Similarly we define  $\langle a \rangle_1$  (resp.  $\langle a \rangle$ ),the *principal left* (resp. *two sided*) *ideal generated* by a. An ideal P of a  $\Gamma$ -ring M is said to be *prime* if for any ideals U and V of M,  $U\Gamma V \subseteq P$  implies U  $\subseteq$  P or V  $\subseteq$  P. A  $\Gamma$ -ring M is said to be *prime* if the zero ideal is prime.

**Theorem 2.1** ([5, Theorem 4]). If M is a  $\Gamma$ -ring, the following conditions are equivalent: (i) M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring.

- (ii) If  $a, b \in M$  and  $a\Gamma M\Gamma b = (0)$ , then a = 0 or b = 0.
- (iii) If  $\langle a \rangle$  and  $\langle b \rangle$  are principal ideals of M such that  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle = (0)$ , then a = 0 or b = 0.
- (iv) If U and V are right ideals of M such that  $U\Gamma V = (0)$ , then U = (0) or V = (0).
- (v) If U and V are left ideals of M such that  $U\Gamma V = (0)$ , then U = (0) or V = (0).

Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring such that  $M\Gamma M \neq M$ . Denote

 $M := \{(U, f) \mid U(\neq 0) \text{ is an ideal of } M \text{ and } M \in \{(U, f) \mid U(\neq 0) \} \}$ 

 $f: U \rightarrow M$  is a right M-module homomorphism}. Define a relation ~ on M by

 $(U, f) \sim (V, g) \Leftrightarrow \exists W(\neq 0) \subset U \cap V$  such that f = g on W.

Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, it is possible to find a non-zero W and so "~" is an equivalence relation. This gives a chance for us to get a partition of M. We then denote the equivalence class by Cl(U, f) =  $\hat{f}$ , where

 $\hat{\mathbf{f}} := \{ \mathbf{g} : \mathbf{V} \to \mathbf{M} \mid (\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{f}) \sim (\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{g}) \},\$ 

and denote by Q the set of all equivalence classes. Then Q is a  $\Gamma$ -ring, which is called the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring of M (see [4]). The set

 $\hat{C}_{\Gamma} := \{g \in Q \mid g\gamma f = f\gamma g \text{ for all } f \in Q \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ 

is called the extended centroid of M (See [4]).

**Lemma 2.2.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, U a non-zero ideal of M, and T a centralizer of M. If  $a\Gamma T(U) = (0) (T(U)\Gamma a = (0))$  for all  $a \in M$ , then a = 0 or T = 0.

**Proof:** clear by the primness condition on M.

**Theorem 2.3** ([6, Theorem 3.5]). The  $\Gamma$ -ring Q satisfies the following properties:

- (i) For any element q ∈ Q, there exists an ideal U<sub>q</sub> ∈ F such that q(U<sub>q</sub>) ⊆ M (or qγU<sub>q</sub> ⊆ M for all γ ∈ Γ).
- (ii) If  $q \in Q$  and q(U) = (0) for some  $U \in F$  (or  $q\gamma U_q = (0)$  for some  $U \in F$  and for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ), then q = 0.
- (iii) If  $U \in F$  and  $\Psi : U \rightarrow M$  is a right Mmodule homomorphism, then there exists an element  $q \in Q$  such that  $\Psi(u) = q(u)$  for all  $u \in U$  (or  $\Psi(u) = q\gamma u$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ).

(iv) Let W be a submodule (an(M,M)subbimodule[7]) in Q and  $\Psi : W \rightarrow Q$  a right M-module homomorphism. If W contains the ideal U of the  $\Gamma$ -ring M such that  $\Psi(U) \subseteq M$  and AnnU = Ann<sub>r</sub>W, then there is an element  $q \in Q$  such that  $\Psi(b) = q(b)$  for any  $b \in W$  (or  $\Psi(b) = q\gamma b$  for any  $b \in W$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ) and q(a) = 0 for any  $a \in Ann_rW$  (or  $q\gamma a = 0$  for any  $a \in Ann_rW$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ).

Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. A map T : M  $\rightarrow$  M is called a centralizer if

T(x+y)=T(x)+T(y) and  $T(x\gamma y)=T(x)\gamma y = x\gamma T(y)$ for all x,  $y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**Lemma 2.4** :A) Let M be a 2-torsion free prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  the symmetric centralizers of M. If

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_1(x)\gamma T_2(y)=T_2(x)\gamma T_1(y) & (2.1) \\ \text{for all } x, \ y \in M \ \text{and} \ \gamma \in \Gamma \ \text{and} \ T_1 \neq 0, \ \text{then there} \\ \text{exists } \lambda \in C_{\Gamma} \ \text{such that} \ T_2(x)=\lambda \alpha T_1(x) \ \text{for} \ \alpha \in \Gamma, \\ \text{where } C_{\Gamma} \ \text{is the extended centroid of } M. \end{array}$ 

B) Let M be a 2-torsion free prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>4</sub> the symmetric centralizers of M. If

 $T_1(x)\gamma T_2(y) = T_3(x)\gamma T_4(y)$  (2.2)

for all x,  $y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $T_1 \neq 0 \neq T_4$ , then there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T_2(x) = \lambda \alpha T_4(x)$ and  $T_3(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1(x)$  for  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  where  $C_{\Gamma}$  is the extended centroid of M

 $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and for some  $\lambda(x) \in C_{\Gamma}$ . Thus if  $T_1(x) \neq 0 \neq T_1(y)$ , then it follows from (2.4) that

$$(\lambda(\mathbf{y}) - \lambda(\mathbf{x}))\alpha T_1(\mathbf{x})\gamma \mathbf{z}\beta T_1(\mathbf{y}) = 0.$$

(2.6)

Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, by using Lemma 2.2 we conclude that  $\lambda(x) = \lambda(y)$ . Hence we have proved that there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T_2(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1(x)$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $x \in M$  with  $T_1(x) \neq 0$ . On the other hand, if  $T_1(x) = 0$  then  $T_2(x) = 0$  as well. Therefore  $T_2(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1 Z$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \underline{Proof} \ (\underline{B}): \ Let \ x, \ y, \ z, \ w \in M \ and \ \alpha, \ \beta, \ \gamma \in \Gamma. \\ Replacing \ y \ by \ y + z \ in \ (2.2), \ we \ get \\ T_1(x)\gamma T_2(y+z) = T_3(x)\gamma T_4(y+z). \qquad (2.7) \\ If \ we \ substitute \ z\beta x \ for \ z \ in \ (2.7), \ then \\ T_1(x)\gamma z\beta T_2(y) = T_3(x)\gamma z\beta T_4(y). \qquad (2.8) \\ Substituting \ z\alpha T_4(w) \ for \ z \ in \ (2.8), \ we \ have \\ T_1(x)\gamma z\alpha T_4(w)\beta T_2(y) = T_3(x)\gamma z\alpha T_4(w)\beta T_4(y). \\ (2.9) \end{array}$ 

By (2.8), we know that

 $\begin{array}{l} T_1(x)\gamma z\alpha T_2(w)=T_3(x)\gamma z\alpha T_4(w) \quad \mbox{ and so}\\ T_1(x)\gamma z\alpha (T_4(w)\beta T_2(y)-T_2(w)\beta T_4(y))=0\\ \mbox{ which implies that } T_4(w)\beta T_2(y)=T_2(w)\beta T_4(y)\\ \mbox{ since } T_1\neq 0 \mbox{ and } M \mbox{ is a prime } \Gamma\mbox{-ring. It follows}\\ \mbox{ from } T_4\neq 0 \mbox{ and } Lemma \ 3.6 \mbox{ that } T_2(y)=\lambda\alpha T_4(y)\\ \mbox{ for some } \lambda\in C_{\Gamma}. \mbox{ Hence, by } (2.8), \mbox{ we conclude that} \end{array}$ 

 $(\lambda \alpha T_1(x) - T_3(x))\gamma z\beta T_4(y) = 0,$ 

and so  $T_3(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1(x)$ . This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.5** :([8, Lemma 1]). Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and Z the center of M.

1. If a, b,  $c \in M$  and  $\beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ , then

$$\begin{split} [a\gamma b,\ c]_{\beta} \,=\, a\gamma [b,\ c]_{\beta} \,+\, [a,\ c]_{\beta}\gamma b \,+\, a\gamma (c\beta b) \,-\, \\ a\beta (c\gamma b) \end{split}$$

where  $[a, b]_{\gamma}$  is  $a\gamma b - b\gamma a$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

2. If  $a \in Z$ , then  $[a\gamma b, c]_{\beta} = a\gamma[b, c]_{\beta}$  where  $[a,b]_{\gamma}$  is  $a\gamma b - b\gamma a$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**Lemma 2.6** ([9, Lemma 2]). Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, U a non-zero right (resp. left) ideal of M and  $a \in M$ . If  $U\Gamma a = (0)$  (resp.  $a\Gamma U = (0)$ ), then a = 0.

### 2. Main results

In what follows, let M denote a prime  $\Gamma$ ring such that M $\Gamma$ M  $\neq$  M, Z is the center of M,  $C_{\Gamma}$  is the extended centroid of M and  $[a, b]_{\gamma} = a\gamma b - b\gamma a$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring of characteristic 2. Let T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub> two non-zero centralizers of M and right M-module homeomorphisms. If

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_1T_2(x)=0 \mbox{ for all } x\in M, \\ \mbox{then there exists } \lambda\in C_{\Gamma} \mbox{ such that } T_2(x)= \\ \lambda\alpha T_1(x) \mbox{ for all } \alpha\in\Gamma \mbox{ and } x\in M. \end{array}$ 

**Proof.** Let x,  $y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Replacing x by xyy in (3.1), it follows from charM=2 that for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  $T_1(\mathbf{x})\gamma T_2(\mathbf{y}) = 0.$ (3.2)Replacing y by  $T_1(y)$  in (3.2), we get  $T_1(x)\gamma T_2(T_1(y)) = 0$ . (3.3)for all x,  $y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Now, if we replace y by  $z\gamma y$  in (3.3), then we obtain  $T_1(x)\gamma T_2(y) \gamma T_1(z) = 0.$ (3.4)for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Now replace y by  $z\beta y$ in (3.4), then we obtain  $T_1(x)\gamma z\beta T_2(y)\gamma T_1(z) = 0$ Then

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_2(y)\gamma T_1(z){=}0 & (3.5) \\ \text{for all } y,z \in M \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma.\text{since } M \text{ is a prime } \Gamma-\\ \text{ring, then from}(3.2)\text{and}(3.5)\text{we obtain} \\ T_1(x)\gamma T_2(y) = T_2(y)\gamma T_1(x) & (3.6) \\ \text{If } T_1(x) \neq 0, \text{ then there exists } \lambda(x) \in C_{\Gamma} \text{ such} \\ \text{that } T_2(x) = \lambda(x)\alpha T_1(x) \text{ for all } x \in M \text{ and } \alpha \in \\ \Gamma \text{ by Lemma } 2.4. \text{ Thus, if } T_1(x) \neq 0 \neq T_1(y), \\ \text{then } (3.3) \text{ implies that} \\ (\lambda(y) - \lambda(x))\alpha T_1(x)\beta z\gamma T_2(x) = 0. \quad (3.7) \\ \text{Since } M \text{ is a prime } \Gamma\text{-ring, we conclude by} \\ \text{using Lemma } 2.2 \text{ that } \lambda(y) = \lambda(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \\ M. \text{ Hence we proved that there exists } \lambda \in C_{\Gamma} \end{array}$ 

such that  $T_2(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  with  $T_1(x) \neq 0$ . On the other hand, if  $T_1(x) = 0$ , then  $T_2(x) = 0$  as well. Therefore,  $T_2(x) = \lambda \alpha T_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . This completes the proof.

**Proposition 3.2.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring of characteristic 2 and T a non-zero centralizer of M. If  $T(x) \in Z$  for all  $x \in M$ , (3.8) then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T(m) = \lambda(m)\alpha T(z)$  for all m,  $z \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  or M is commutative.

**Proof.** From (3.8), we have  $[T(x), y]_{\beta} = 0$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . (3.9) Replacing x by  $x\gamma z$  in (3.9), it follows from Lemma 2.5 that  $T(x)\gamma[z, y]_{\beta} = 0$ (3.10)for all x, y,  $z \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Replacing x by T(x) in (3.10), we obtain  $T^{2}(\mathbf{x})\gamma[\mathbf{z},\mathbf{y}]_{\beta}=0$ (3.11)for all x, y,  $z \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Now, substituting zam for z in (3.11) it follows from char M = 2 that  $T^{2}(x)\alpha m\gamma[z, y]_{\beta} = 0.$ (3.12)for all x, y, z,  $m \in M$  and  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we obtain  $T^{2}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in M \text{ or } [z, y]_{\beta} = 0$ (3.13) $\forall z, y \in M \text{ and } \forall \beta \in \Gamma.$ From (3.13), if  $T^{2}(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ , then replacing x by xym in this last relation, it follows from  $T(x) \in Z$  that  $T(x)\gamma T(m)=T(m)\gamma T(x)$ . (3.14)for all  $x,m \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Replacing x by x $\alpha$ n in (3.14), it follows from (3.8) that for all x, m,  $n \in M$  and  $\gamma, \alpha \in \Gamma$  $T(x)\alpha n\gamma T(m) = T(m)\alpha n\gamma T(x).$ (3.15)If  $T(x) \neq 0$ , then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T(m) = \lambda(m)\alpha T(x)$  for all  $z, m \in M$  and  $\alpha$  $\Gamma$  by Lemma 2.4. On the other hand, it ∈ follows from (3.13) that if  $[z, y]_{\beta} = 0$  for all z,

 $y \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ , then M is commutative. This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.3.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring of characteristic 2,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  two non-zero centralizers of M and U a non-zero ideal of M. If

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_1T_2(u)=0 \mbox{ for all } u\in U & (3.16) \\ \mbox{then there exists } \lambda\in C_{\Gamma} \mbox{ such that } \\ T_2(x)=\lambda\alpha T_1(x) \mbox{ for all } \alpha\in\Gamma \mbox{ and } x\in M. \end{array}$ 

**Proof.** Let  $u, v \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Replacing u by  $T_2(u)\gamma v$  in (3.16), we get

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_1T_2 \left(T_2(u)\gamma v\right)=0 \ , & (3.17) \\ \text{for all } u,\,v\in U \text{ and } \gamma\in \Gamma. \text{Then } \ T^2{}_2(u)\gamma T_1(v)=0 \end{array}$ 

Since  $T_1 \neq 0$ , it follows from Lemma 2.2 that  $T^2_2(u) = 0$  for all  $u \in U$ , so from char M = 2that  $T^2_2 = 0$ . Now, substituting  $u\gamma T_2(x)$  for u in (3.16), we get  $T_1(T_2(u\gamma T_2(x)))=0$ , (3.18)

for all  $u \in U, x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

Then  $T_2(u)\gamma(T_1(T_2(x))) = 0$ 

Since  $T_2 \neq 0$ , we get  $T_1(T_2(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ by Lemma 2.2.Hence there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $T_2 = \lambda \alpha T_1$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  by Lemma 3.1.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, U a non-zero right ideal of M and T a non-zero centralizer of M. If

 $T(u)\gamma a = 0$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  (3.19) Where a is a fixed element of M, then there exists an element q of Q such that  $q\alpha a=0$  and  $q\beta u = 0$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ 

**Proof.** Let  $u \in U, x \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Since U is a right ideal of M, we have  $u\beta x \in U$ . Replacing u by  $u\beta x$  in (3.19), we get

have  $T(u)\beta f(v)=0 \qquad (3.20)$ 

for all  $u \in U$ . f(v) is independent of u but it isdependent on v. Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ ring, f(v) is well-defined and uni que for all  $v \in V$ . Note that  $T(u)\beta f(v)\alpha y = 0$ , (3.21)

For any  $y \in M$ , and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Now since  $v\alpha y \in V$  for any  $y \in M$ ,  $v \in V$ . Replacing v by  $v\alpha y$  in (3.20) we get

 $T(u)\beta f(v\alpha y) = 0$  for all  $y \in M$ , (3.22) and so by using (3.21) and (3.22), we have Shaker

 $T(u)\beta(f(v\alpha y) - f(v)\alpha y) = 0$  which implies from Lemma 2.6 that  $f(v\alpha y) = f(v)\alpha y$ , (3.23)for all  $y \in M, v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . It follows from (3.23) that  $f: V \rightarrow M$  is a right M-module homomorphism. In this case,  $q=Cl(V, f)\in Q$ . Moreover,  $f(v) = q\beta v$  for all  $v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ by Theorem 2.3. Let  $x \in M$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Replacing v by xyv in (3.20), we get  $T(u)\beta f(x\gamma v) = 0$ , and  $T(u)\beta q\beta x\gamma v=0$ (3.24)Also, replacing u by uyx in (3.20), we get  $T(u\gamma x)\beta f(v) = 0$ , we get  $T(u)\gamma x\beta f(v)=0$ , and  $T(u)\gamma x\beta q\beta v =$ (3.25)Now, replacing  $\beta$  by  $\gamma$  and replacing  $\gamma$  by  $\beta$  in (3.25), we get  $T(u) \beta x \gamma q \gamma v = 0.$ (3.26)Thus, from (3.24) and (3.26) we obtain  $T(u)\beta(x\gamma q - q\beta x)\gamma v = 0$ . (3.27)for all  $x \in M, v \in V, u \in U$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ .then by primness of  $\Gamma$ -ring we get T(u) $\beta(x\gamma q-q\beta x)=0$ for all  $x \in M$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta \in \Gamma$ , thus  $T(u)\beta x\gamma q$  $-T(u)\beta q\beta x = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ , since T is centralizer then  $u\beta T(x)\gamma q - u\beta q\beta T(x)$ =0, replace x by  $u\beta x$  in last equation we get  $u\beta T(u\beta x)\gamma q - u\beta q\beta T(u\beta x) = 0$ , then we have  $u\beta u\beta T(x)\gamma q - u\beta q\beta u\beta T(x) = 0$ , and so since M is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring we get  $u\beta T(x)\gamma q - q\beta u\beta T(x)$ =0, then we have  $u\beta T(x)\gamma q\alpha a - q\beta u\beta T(x) \alpha a$ =0,then we get  $u\beta T(x)\gamma q\alpha a = q\beta u\beta T(x)\alpha a$  by Lemma 2.6. Now, we shall prove that q can be chosen in Q

such that  $q\alpha a = 0$  and  $q\beta u = 0$  for all  $u \in U$ and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . If  $q\alpha a = 0$ , then  $q\beta u\beta T(x) \alpha a = 0$ , then  $q\beta u = 0$  and so since M is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we get  $q\Gamma U = (0)$ . On the other hand, if  $q\alpha a \neq 0$ , then  $q\beta u \neq 0$ . In fact, if  $q\beta u = 0$ , then  $q\alpha a = 0$ since  $u\beta T(x)\gamma q\alpha a = q\beta u\beta T(x)\alpha a$ . Thus, we may suppose that  $q\alpha a \neq 0$  and  $q\beta u \neq 0$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . In this case, we get

 $u\beta T(x)\gamma q\alpha a = q\beta u\beta T(x)\alpha a$ 

for all  $x \in M$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . It follows from Lemma 2.4 that there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $q\alpha a = \lambda \delta a$  and  $q\beta u = \lambda \delta u$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\alpha$ , $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Hence, if  $q'=q-\lambda$ , then  $q'\Gamma a = 0$ and  $q'\Gamma U = (0)$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with char M  $\neq$  2, U a non-zero right ideal of M and T a non-zero centralizer of M. Then the subring of M generated by T(U) contains no non-zero right ideals of M if and only if T(U) $\Gamma$ U = (0).

**Proof.** Let A be the subring generated by T(U). Let  $S = A \cap U$ ,  $u \in U$ ,  $s \in S$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $T(s\gamma u) = T(s) \gamma u \in A$ , and so we have  $T(s) \gamma u$  $\in$  S. Thus T(S) $\Gamma$ U is a right ideal of M. In this case,  $T(S)\Gamma U = (0)$  by hypothesis.  $T(u\gamma a)$  $=u\gamma T(a) \in S$ . Therefore,  $T(u\gamma T(a))\beta u = 0$ , then T(u)T(a)u=0. Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring then T(u)T(a) = 0(3.28)Replacing u by u by where  $v \in U, \beta \in \Gamma$  in (3.28), we get, for all u,  $v \in U$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a \in A$ (3.29) $T(u)\beta v\gamma T(a) = 0.$ Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we get  $T(U)\Gamma U =$ (0) or  $T(A)\Gamma U = (0)$ . If  $T(A)\Gamma U = (0)$ , then  $T^{2}(U)\Gamma U = (0)$ , so  $T^{2}(U)=0$ . Let  $u, v \in U$  and  $\beta$  $\in \Gamma$ . Then  $0 = T^{2}(u\beta v) = T(T(u\beta v)) = T(u)\beta T(v), \text{ for all } u,$  $v \in U$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$  by char  $M \neq 2$ . Replacing u

by upw where  $w \in U$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  in last relation, we have  $T(u)\gamma w\beta T(v) = 0$  which yields  $T(u)\gamma v = 0$ for all u,  $v \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Conversely assume that  $T(U)\Gamma U = (0)$ . Then

 $A\Gamma U = (0)$ . Since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, A contains no non-zero right ideals.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let M be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with char M  $\neq$  2, U a non-zero right ideal of M and T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub> two non-zero centralizers of M. If T<sub>1</sub>T<sub>2</sub>(U) = (0), then there exists two elements p, q of Q such that q $\Gamma$ U = (0) and p $\Gamma$ U = (0).

**Proof.** If  $T_1T_2(U) = (0)$ , then  $T_1(A) = (0)$  where A is a subring generated by  $T_2(U)$ . Since  $T_1 \neq 0$ , A contains no non-zero right ideals of M. Thus, from Theorem 3.5, we have  $T_2(u)\gamma v = 0$ for all u,  $v \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Also, there exists  $q \in Q$  such that  $q\Gamma U = (0)$  by Theorem 3.4. Therefore  $T_2(u\gamma v) = u\gamma T_2(v)$  for all u,  $v \in U$ and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . In this case,  $0 = T_1T_2(u\gamma v) =$  $T_1(u\gamma T_2(v)) = T_1(u)\gamma T_2(v)$ , and since M is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we get  $T_2(u)\gamma v = 0$  for all u,  $v \in$ U and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Again, by Theorem 3.4, there exists  $p \in Q$  such that  $p\Gamma U = (0)$ . This completes the proof.

**Remark 3.7.** Consider the following example. Let R be a ring. A centralizer  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is called an inner centralizer if there exists  $a \in R$  such that T(x) = ax for all  $x \in R$ . Let S be the  $2 \times 2$  matrix ring over Galois field {0, 1, w,  $w^2$ }, with inner centralizer  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  defined by

$$\mathbf{T}_{1}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad , \qquad \mathbf{T}_{2}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & wx \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for all  $x \in S$ . Then the characteristic of S is 2 and we have  $T_1 \neq 0$ ,  $T_2 \neq 0$ ,  $T_1T_2 = 0$  and  $T_2^2=0$ . Also, if we take

$$M := M_{1\times 2}(S) = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in S\} \text{ and}$$
$$\Gamma := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} n \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid n \text{ is an integer} \right\}, \text{ then } M \text{ is a}$$

prime  $\Gamma$ -ring of characteristic 2. Define an additive map  $H_1:M \rightarrow M$  by  $H_1(x, y) = (T_1(x),$ 

T<sub>1</sub>(y)).Sinc(x,y)
$$\binom{n}{0}$$
(a,b) = (nxa, nxb),

therefore  $T_1$  is a centralizer on M. Similarly  $H_2: M \rightarrow M$  given by  $H_2(x, y) = (T_2(x), T_2(y))$ is a centralizer. In this case, we have  $H_1 \neq 0$ ,  $H_2 \neq 0$ ,  $H_1H_2 = 0$  and  $H^2_2=0$  (see [9]). Thus we know that there exist two centralizers  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$  of M such that  $H_1H_2(M) = (0)$  but  $H_1(M)\Gamma M \neq (0)$ and  $H_2(M)\Gamma M \neq (0)$ . Therefore the condition of char  $M \neq 2$  in Theorem 3.5 and 3.6 is necessary.

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