

## Comutativity Results on Semiprime Rings

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### Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to prove the following result:- Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring.  $Z(R)$  be the center of  $R$   $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , and  $d$  be a nonzero derivation on  $R$ , then  $R$  contains a nonzero central ideal if one of the following conditions holds:

- i-  $d^n[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x, y \in U$ , where  $n$  is a fixed positive integer.
- ii-  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x, y \in U$ , where  $p, m$  are fixed positive integers.

### الخلاصة

أن هدف هذا البحث هو برهان النتيجة الآتية: لتكن  $R$  حلقة شبه أولية طليقة الالتواء من النمط 2،  $U$  مثالي غير صفري من  $R$ ،  $Z(R)$  مركز  $R$  و  $d: R \rightarrow R$  اشتقاق غير صفري فإن  $R$  تحتوي على مثالي مركزي غير صفري إذا تحقق واحد من الشروط الآتية:

- 1  $Z(R) \ni [x, y] \mp d^n[x, y]$  لكل  $x, y$  في  $U$  عندما  $n$  عدد صحيح موجب.
- 2  $Z(R) \ni [x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp d^p[x, y]$  لكل  $x, y$  في  $U$  عندما  $p, m$  عددان

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### Introduction:

Many studies were done on a derivations and commutativity in prime and semiprime rings see [1-6]. Daif and Bell [4] proved that, a simeprime ring must be commutative if it admits a derivation  $d$  such that

$$d[x, y] = [x, y] \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \text{ or}$$

$$d[x, y] + [x, y] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R,$$

Motoshi Hongan [5] generalized the above result by proving that: Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring.  $Z(R)$  be the center of  $R$  and  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a derivation. If  $d[x, y] + [x, y] \in Z(R)$  or

$$d[x, y] - [x, y] \in Z(R), \text{ for all } x, y \in U, \text{ where}$$

$U$  is a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , then  $R$  contains a nonzero central ideal, and the following question was raised : let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring,  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a nonzero derivation, and  $U$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , and let  $n$  be a fixed positive

integer. Does the condition that

$$d^n[x, y] + [x, y] \in Z(R) \text{ or}$$

$$d^n[x, y] - [x, y] \in Z(R), \text{ for all } x, y \in U \text{ imply}$$

that  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ , the purpose of this paper is to answer this question, and give extension for it by proving that  $R$  must be contains a nonzero central ideal, when  $d$  is satisfying the following condition;

$$d^p[x, y] + d^m[x, y] + [x, y] \in Z(R) \text{ or}$$

$$d^p[x, y] - d^m[x, y] - [x, y] \in Z(R), \text{ for all } x, y \in U. \text{ Where } p \text{ and } m \text{ are fixed positive integers.}$$

### Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, a ring  $R$  is semiprime if  $aRa = 0$ , for  $a \in R$ , then  $a = 0$ . A ring  $R$  is 2-torsion free if  $2x = 0$ , forces  $x = 0$ , for  $x \in R$ .

An additive map  $d$  from  $R$  to  $R$  is called a derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , we write  $[x, y] = xy - yx$  and note that the important identity  $[x, yz] = y[x, y] + [x, y]z$ . Given a subset  $S$  of  $R$ , we put

$$V_R(S) = \{x \in R \mid [x, s] = 0 \text{ for all } s \in S\}.$$

We need to state the following results.

**Lemma 1: [5, lemma 1]**

Let  $R$  be a simeprime ring.  $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , and  $a \in R$ .

- 1- Let  $b \in U$ , if  $[b, x] = 0$  for all  $x \in U$ , then  $b \in Z(R)$  therefore, if  $U$  is commutative, then  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ .
- 2- If  $[a, x] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x \in U$ , then  $a \in V_R(U)$ .
- 3- Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free ring and  $[a, [x, y]] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in U$ , then  $a \in V_R(U)$ .

**Lemma 2:**

Let  $R$  be a simeprime ring.  $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , and  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a nonzero derivation such that  $d^n[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in U$ , if  $d^n(U) \subseteq V_R(U)$  then  $U$  is a commutative and  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ , where  $n$  is a fixed positive integer.

**Proof:**

Let  $a \in U$ , since  $d^n[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$  for any  $x, y \in U$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [a, d^n[x, y] \mp [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^n[x, y]] \mp [a, [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^n(xy) - d^n(yx)] \mp [a, [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^n(xy)] - [a, d^n(yx)] \mp [a, [x, y]] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d^n(U) \subseteq V_R(U)$ , i. e.  $[a, d^n(U)] = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in U$  then  $0 = \mp [a, [x, y]]$  and we get  $a \in V_R(U)$  by [4, lemma 1].

Therefore,  $U$  is commutative, and so we obtain that  $U \subseteq Z(R)$  by lemma 1.

**Lemma 3:**

Let  $R$  be a simeprime ring.  $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , and  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a nonzero derivation such that  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in U$ , if  $d^p(U) \mp d^m(U) \subseteq V_R(U)$  then  $U$

is a commutative and so  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ , where  $p$  and  $m$  are positive integers.

**Proof:**

Let  $a \in U$ , since  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x, y \in U$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [a, d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y]] \mp [a, [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^p(xy) - d^p(yx) \mp d^m(xy) - \\ &\quad d^m(yx)] \mp [a, [x, y]] \\ 0 &= [a, d^p(xy) \mp d^m(xy)] - \\ &\quad [a, d^p(yx) \mp d^m(yx)] \mp [a, [x, y]] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d^p(U) \mp d^m(U) \subseteq V_R(U)$ , then  $[a, d^p(U) \mp d^m(U)] = 0$ , thus  $[a, d^p(xy) + d^m(xy)] =$

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for all  $x, y \in U$  then  $0 = \mp [a, [x, y]]$  and we get  $a \in V_R(U)$  by [4, lemma 1].

Therefore,  $U$  is a commutative ideal, we obtain  $U \subseteq Z(R)$  by lemma 1.

**The main results**

**Theorem 1:**

Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring.  $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , if  $R$  admits a nonzero derivation  $d$  satisfying  $d^n[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in U$ , then  $R$  contains a nonzero central ideal, where  $n$  is a fixed positive integer.

**Proof:**

Suppose that  $d \neq 0$ , for any  $x, y, z \in U$  we have  $d^n[x, [y, z]] \mp [x, [y, z]] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} &= d^n(x[y, z]) - d^n([y, z]x) \mp [x, [y, z]] \\ &= d^n(x)[y, z] + xd^n[y, z] - d^n[y, z]x - \\ &\quad [y, z]d^n(x) \mp [x, [y, z]] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= [d^n(x), [y, z]] + [x, d^n[y, z]] \mp [x, [y, z]] \\ &= [d^n(x), [y, z]] + [x, d^n[y, z]] \mp [y, z] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d^n[y, z] \mp [y, z] \in Z(R)$ , then we have  $[x, d^n[y, z] \mp [y, z]] = 0$ , for all  $y, z \in U$ .



Thus  $[d^n(x), [y, z]] \in Z(R)$ , since  $R$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $[d^n(x), [y, z]] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $y, z \in U$  then by Lemma 1, we obtain  $d^n(x) \in V_R(U)$ , that is  $d^n(U) \subseteq V_R(U)$ , therefore by lemma 2 we have  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ .

So we can get the following corollary.

**Corollary 1:**

Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring, and  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a nonzero derivation on  $R$ . If  $d^n([x, y]) \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $R$  is commutative, where  $n$  is a fixed positive integer.

**Remark**

In theorem 1 and corollary 1, we can not exclude the condition "2-torsion free" as below.

**Example:**

We denote by  $Z$  the integer system Let

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} Z & Z \\ 2Z & 2Z \end{pmatrix}, \quad a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $d$  be the inner derivation induced by  $a$ , that is,  $d(x) = [a, x]$  for all  $x \in R$ , then  $R$  is a non-commutative prime ring with  $\text{Char. } R = 2$ , when  $n = 2$  then  $d^2[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . And by the same way we can prove:

**Theorem 2:**

Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring, and  $U$  be a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , if  $R$  admits a nonzero derivation  $d$  satisfying  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in U$ , then  $R$  contains a nonzero central ideal, where  $p$  and  $m$  are fixed positive integers.

**Proof:**

We suppose that  $d \neq 0$ , for any  $x, y, z \in U$  we have

$$d^p[x, [y, z]] \mp d^m[x, [y, z]] \mp [x, [y, z]] \in Z(R),$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &= d^p(x[y, z]) - d^p([y, z]x) \mp d^m(x[y, z]) \\ &\quad - d^m([y, z]) \mp [x, [y, z]] \\ &= [d^p(x), [y, z]] \mp [x, d^p[y, z]] \\ &\quad \mp [d^m(x), [y, z]] \mp [x, d^m[y, z]] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\mp [x, [y, z]] \\ &= [d^p(x) \mp d^m(x), [y, z]] \mp [x, d^p[y, z]] \\ &\quad \mp d^m[y, z] \mp [y, z] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d^p[y, z] \mp d^m[y, z] \mp [y, z] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $y, z \in U$ , then

$$[x, d^p[y, z] \mp d^m[y, z] \mp [y, z]] = 0, \text{ for all } y, z \in U.$$

Thus we obtain  $[d^p(x) + d^m(x), [y, z]] \in Z(R)$ . by lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &d^p(x) + d^m(x) \in V_R(U), \text{ that is} \\ &d^p(U) + d^m(U) \subseteq V_R(U), \text{ therefore, by} \\ &\text{lemma 3 we have } U \subseteq Z(R). \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 2:**

Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring, and  $d: R \rightarrow R$  be a nonzero derivation, if  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $R$  is commutative, where  $p$  and  $m$  are fixed positive integers.

**Proof:**

From precedence theorem 2, we obtain  $U \subseteq Z(R)$ ,  $U$  is a nonzero ideal of  $R$ , so if  $d^p[x, y] \mp d^m[x, y] \mp [x, y] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ , we get  $R \subseteq Z(R)$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

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