

## Commutativity Results on Prime Rings With Generalized Derivations

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### ABSTRACT

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. For nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , we prove that if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative, if any one of the following conditions hold: (1)  $[F(x), G(y)] = 0$ , (2)  $F(x) \circ G(y) = 0$ , (3)  $F(x) \circ G(y) = \pm xoy$ , (4)  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm[x, y]$ , (5)  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm xoy$ , (6)  $F(x) \circ G(y) = \pm[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , where  $F$  will always denote onto map.

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### INTRODUCTION

Throughout,  $R$  will denote an associative ring with  $Z(R)$ . For any  $x, y \in R$ , the symbol  $[x, y]$  stands for the commutator  $xy - yx$  and the symbol  $xoy$  denotes for anti-commutator  $xy + yx$ . Recall that a ring  $R$  is prime if  $aRb = (0)$  implies  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . An additive mapping  $d: R \rightarrow R$  is called a derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Brešar [3], introduced the notation of generalized derivation in rings as an additive mapping  $F: R \rightarrow R$  is called a generalized derivation if there exists a derivation  $d: R \rightarrow R$ , such that:

$$F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y), \text{ for all } x, y \in R$$

It is well known that the concept of generalized derivation includes the concept of derivation and left multiplier (i.e. an additive mapping  $T: R \rightarrow R$  such that  $T(xy) = T(x)y$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ ).

The study of the commutativity of prime rings with derivation was initiated by E. C. Posner [4]. And several authors Ashraf, Ali, Quadric, Rehman, and others extended the mention results for a generalized derivation ([1, 2, 5, and 6]).

In [1], Ashraf et al., studied the commutativity of a prime ring admitting a generalized derivation satisfying some conditions. In this paper, we will extend the notation of a generalized derivation  $F$  associated with derivation  $d$ , to, two generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , as a new idea, to obtain the commutativity of prime rings under certain conditions, where  $F$  will always denote onto map.

### The Results

#### Theorem 1:

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

#### Proof:

Replace  $y$  by  $yz$  in our hypotheses holds

$$G(y)[F(x), z] + y[F(x), d(z)] + [F(x), y]d(z) = 0,$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

...(1)

Replace  $z$  by  $zF(x)$  in (1), we get:

$$G(y)[F(x), zF(x)] + y[F(x), d(zF(x))] + [F(x), y]d(zF(x)) = 0, \quad \dots(2)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

This can be rewritten as:

$$G(y)[F(x), z]F(x) + y[F(x), d(z)]F(x) + yz[F(x), d(F(x))] + y[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + [F(x), y]d(z)F(x) + [F(x), y]zd(F(x)) = 0, \quad \dots(3)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

Right multiplication of (1) by  $F(x)$ , to get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z]F(x) + y[F(x), d(z)]F(x) + [F(x), y]d(z)F(x) = 0, \quad \dots(4)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

From (3) and (4) one obtains:

$$yz[F(x), d(F(x))] + y[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + [F(x), y]zd(F(x)) = 0, \quad \dots(5)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

Now, replace  $y$  by  $ty$  in (5), to get:

$$tyz[F(x), d(F(x))] + ty[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + t[F(x), y]zd(F(x)) + [F(x), t]yzd(F(x)) = 0, \quad \dots(6)$$

for all  $x, y, t, z \in R$

Left multiplication of (5) by  $t$ , gives:

$$tyz[F(x), d(F(x))] + ty[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + t[F(x), y]zd(F(x)) = 0, \quad \dots(7)$$

for all  $x, y, t, z \in R$

From (6) and (7), we obtain:

$$[F(x), t]yzd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, t, z \in R \quad \dots(8)$$

Since  $R$  is prime, then we get:

either,

$$[F(x), t] = 0, \text{ for all } x, t \in R$$

or,

$$zd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, z \in R$$

In the first case, we get  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

And in the second case, we get  $Rd(F(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ , then  $R$  is prime and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

One immediately sees that:

**Corollary 2:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

**Proof:**

Using Theorem (1), we get  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$  and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $R$  is commutative.

**Theorem 3:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x) \circ G(y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

**Proof:**

By hypotheses, we have:

$$F(x) \circ G(y) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \quad \dots(1)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yz$  in (1), we get:

$$(F(x) \circ G(y))z - G(y)[F(x), z] + (F(x) \circ y)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] = 0, \quad \dots(2)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in R$

From (1) and (2), we obtain:

$$(F(x)oy)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] - G(y)[F(x), z] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(3)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $F(x)$  in (3), to get:

$$(F(x)oy)d(F(x)) - y[F(x), d(F(x))] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \quad \dots(4)$$

Again, replacing  $y$  by  $zy$  in (4), gives:

$$z(F(x)oy)d(F(x)) + [F(x), z]yd(F(x)) - zy[F(x), d(F(x))] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(5)$$

Left multiplication of (4) by  $z$ , to get:

$$z(F(x)oy)d(F(x)) - zy[F(x), d(F(x))] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(6)$$

From (5) and (6), one obtains:

$$[F(x), z]yd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(7)$$

By primeness of  $R$ , we obtain:

either,  $[F(x), z] = 0$ , for all  $x, z \in R$  and hence  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

or,  $d(F(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ , and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

Following a very easy argument by Theorem (3):

**Corollary 4:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x)oG(y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

Another certain conditions with two generalized derivations associated with the same derivation, as follows:

**Theorem 5:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x)oG(y) = \pm xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

**Proof:**

We have:

$$F(x)oG(y) = xoy, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \quad \dots(1)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yz$  in (1), we get:

$$(F(x)oG(y))z - G(y)[F(x), z] + (F(x)oy)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] = (xoy)z - y[x, z], \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(2)$$

Combining (1) and (2), we get:

$$-G(y)[F(x), z] + (F(x)oy)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] + y[x, z] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \quad \dots(3)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $F(x)$  in (3), we get:

$$(F(x)oy)d(F(x)) - y[F(x), d(F(x))] + y[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \quad \dots(4)$$

Again, replacing  $y$  by  $ry$  in (4), we obtain:

$$(r(F(x)oy) + [F(x), r]y)d(F(x)) - ry[F(x), d(F(x))] + ry[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R \quad \dots(5)$$

Left multiplication of (4) by  $r$ , to get:

$$r(F(x)oy)d(F(x)) - ry[F(x), d(F(x))] + ry[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R \quad \dots(6)$$

From (5) and (6), we obtain:

$$[F(x), r]yd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R \quad \dots(7)$$

Since  $R$  is prime, we get:

either,  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$

or,  $d(F(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ , and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

Using the similar techniques, when  $F(x)oG(y) = -xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Theorem (5), gives a consequence as following:

**Corollary 6:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x)G(y) = \pm xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

**Theorem 7:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

**Proof:**

We have:

$$[F(x), G(y)] = [x, y], \text{ for all } x, y \in R \tag{1}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yz$  in (1), we get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z] + [F(x), G(y)]z + y[F(x), d(z)] + [F(x), y]d(z) = [x, y]z + y[x, z], \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \tag{2}$$

Combining (1) with (2), we get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z] + y[F(x), d(z)] + [F(x), y]d(z) - y[x, z] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \tag{3}$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $F(x)$  in (3), reduces to:

$$y[F(x), d(F(x))] + [F(x), y]d(F(x)) - y[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \tag{4}$$

Again, replace  $y$  by  $ty$  in (4), to get:

$$ty[F(x), d(F(x))] + t[F(x), y]d(F(x)) + [F(x), t]yd(F(x)) - ty[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, t \in R \tag{5}$$

Left multiplication of (4) by  $t$ , to get:

$$ty[F(x), d(F(x))] + t[F(x), y]d(F(x)) - ty[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, t \in R \tag{6}$$

From (5) and (6), one obtains:

$$[F(x), t]yd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, t \in R \tag{7}$$

By primeness of  $R$ , (7) gives for all  $x \in R$  either  $F(x) \in Z(R)$

or  $d(F(x)) = 0$ , and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

A slight modification in the proof of the above theorem, if  $[F(x), G(y)] = -[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ .

The following corollary immediately yields:

**Corollary 8:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

We will go on proving the main results as follows:

**Theorem 9:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

**Proof:**

We have:

$$[F(x), G(y)] = xoy, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \tag{1}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yz$  in (1), we get:

$$[F(x), G(y)]z + G(y)[F(x), z] + [F(x), y]d(z) + y[F(x), d(z)] = (xoy)z - y[x, z], \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(2)$$

Combining (1) with (2), we get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z] + [F(x), y]d(z) + y[F(x), d(z)] + y[x, z] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(3)$$

Replace  $z$  by  $zF(x)$  in (3), we get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z]F(x) + [F(x), y]d(z)F(x) + [F(x), y]zd(F(x)) + y[F(x), d(z)]F(x) + yz[F(x), d(F(x))] + y[x, z]d(F(x)) + yz[x, F(x)] + y[x, z]F(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(4)$$

Right multiplication of (3) by  $F(x)$ , to get:

$$G(y)[F(x), z]F(x) + [F(x), y]d(z)F(x) + y[F(x), d(z)]F(x) + y[x, z]F(x) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(5)$$

From (4) and (5), one obtains:

$$[F(x), y]zd(F(x)) + yz[F(x), d(F(x))] + y[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + yz[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(6)$$

Now, replace  $y$  by  $ry$  in (6), we get:

$$r[F(x), y]zd(F(x)) + [F(x), ry]yzd(F(x)) + ryz[F(x), d(F(x))] + ry[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + ryz[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r, z \in R \dots(7)$$

Left multiplication of (6) by  $r$ , to get:

$$r[F(x), y]zd(F(x)) + ryz[F(x), d(F(x))] + ry[F(x), z]d(F(x)) + ryz[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r, z \in R \dots(8)$$

From (7) and (8), we get:

$$[F(x), r]yzd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, r, z \in R \dots(9)$$

By prime of  $R$ , (9) gives

either,  $[F(x), r] = 0$ , for all  $x, r \in R$ , and thus  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$

or  $d(F(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$  and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

In the same way, if  $[F(x), G(y)] = -xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then also the result holds.

As an immediate consequence of Theorem (9), we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 10:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $[F(x), G(y)] = \pm xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

Now, we will prove the next result with necessary variations as follows:

**Theorem 11:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x) \circ G(y) = \pm [x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

**Proof:**

We have:

$$F(x) \circ G(y) = [x, y], \text{ for all } x, y \in R \dots(1)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yz$  in (1), we get:

$$(F(x) \circ G(y))z - G(y)[F(x), z] + (F(x) \circ y)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] = [x, y]z + y[x, z], \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(2)$$

Combining (1) and (2), we get:

$$-G(y)[F(x), z] + (F(x) \circ y)d(z) - y[F(x), d(z)] - y[x, z] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R \dots(3)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $F(x)$  in (3), reduces to:

$$(F(x) \circ y)d(F(x)) - y[F(x), d(F(x))] - y[x, F(x)] = 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in R \dots(4)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $ty$  in (4), we get:

$$t(F(x) \circ y)d(F(x)) + [F(x), t]yd(F(x)) - ty[F(x), d(F(x))] - ty[x, F(x)] = 0,$$

for all  $x, y, t \in R$  ... (5)

Left multiplication of (4) by  $t$ , to get:

$$t(F(x) \circ y)d(F(x)) - ty[F(x), d(F(x))] - ty[x, F(x)] = 0,$$

for all  $x, y, t \in R$  .... (6)

From (5) and (6), we obtain:

$$[F(x), t]yd(F(x)) = 0, \text{ for all } x, y, t \in R \text{ .... (7)}$$

By primeness of  $R$ , we get:

either,  $[F(x), t] = 0$ , for all  $x, t \in R$ , hence  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$

or,  $d(F(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ , and since  $F$  is onto, we get  $d = 0$ .

And similarly, if  $F(x) \circ G(y) = -[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ , then either  $d = 0$  or  $F(R) \subseteq Z(R)$ .

This establishes the following corollary:

**Corollary 12:**

Let  $R$  be a prime ring. If  $R$  admits nonzero generalized derivations  $F$  and  $G$  associated with the same derivation  $d$ , such that  $F(x) \circ G(y) = \pm[x, y]$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  and if  $d \neq 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative.

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