

**$\Gamma^*$ -DERIVATION ACTING AS  
AN ENDOMORPHISM AND AS AN ANTI-ENDOMORPHISM  
IN SEMIPRIME  $\Gamma$ -RING  $M$  WITH INVOLUTION**

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**Abstract:** Let  $M$  be a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution satisfying the condition that  $aab\beta c = a\beta bac$  ( $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ ). An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called  $\Gamma$ -derivation if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha y + x\alpha d(y)$ . In this paper we will prove that if  $d$  is  $\Gamma$ -derivation of a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution which is either an endomorphism or anti-endomorphism, then  $d=0$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $M$  and  $\Gamma$  be additive abelian groups. If there exists a mapping  $M \times \Gamma \times$

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$M \longrightarrow M$  defined by  $(x, \alpha, y) \longrightarrow (x\alpha y)$  which satisfies the conditions

- (i)  $x\alpha y \in M$ .
- (ii)  $(x + y)\alpha z = x\alpha z + y\alpha z$ ,  $x(\alpha + \beta)y = x\alpha y + x\beta y$ ,  $x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z$ .
- (iii)  $(x\alpha y)\beta z = x\alpha(y\beta z)$ . (see [5], [7])

Then  $M$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -ring. Every ring  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $M = \Gamma$ . However a  $\Gamma$ -ring need not be a ring.  $\Gamma$ -rings, more general than rings, were introduced by Nobusawa [10]. Bernes [12] slightly weakened the conditions in the definition of  $\Gamma$ -ring in the sense of Nobusawa. Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. Then an additive subgroup  $U$  of  $M$  is called a left (right) ideal of  $M$  if  $M\Gamma U \subseteq U$  ( $U\Gamma M \subseteq U$ ). If  $U$  is both a left and a right ideal, then we say  $U$  is an ideal of  $M$ . Suppose again that  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring. Then  $M$  is said to be 2-torsion free if  $2x = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ . An ideal  $P_1$  of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is said to be prime if for some ideals  $A$  and  $B$  of  $M$ ,  $A\Gamma B \subseteq P_1$  implies  $A \subseteq P_1$  or  $B \subseteq P_1$ . An ideal  $P_2$  of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is said to be semiprime if for any ideal  $U$  of  $M$ ,  $U\Gamma U \subseteq P_2$  implies  $U \subseteq P_2$ . A  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is said to be prime if  $a\Gamma M\Gamma b = (0)$  with  $a, b \in M$ , implies  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$  and semiprime if  $a\Gamma M\Gamma a = (0)$  with  $a \in M$  implies  $a = 0$ . Furthermore,  $M$  is said to be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -ring if  $x\alpha y = y\alpha x$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Moreover, the set  $Z(M) = \{x \in M : x\alpha y = y\alpha x \text{ for all } \alpha \in \Gamma, y \in M\}$  is called the center of the  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ . If  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring, then  $[x, y]_\alpha = x\alpha y - y\alpha x$  is known as the commutator of  $x$  and  $y$  with respect to  $\alpha$ , where  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . We make the basic commutator identities:

$$[x\alpha y, z]_\beta = [x, z]_\beta \alpha y + x[\alpha, \beta]_z y + x\alpha[y, z]_\beta \quad (1)$$

$$[x, y\alpha z]_\beta = [x, y]_\beta \alpha z + y[\alpha, \beta]_x z + y\alpha[x, z]_\beta \quad (2)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Now, we consider the following assumption:

- (A)  $x\alpha y\beta z = x\beta y\alpha z$  for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

According to assumption (A), the above commutator identities reduce to  $[x\alpha y, z]_\beta = [x, z]_\beta \alpha y + x\alpha[y, z]_\beta$  and  $[x, y\alpha z]_\beta = [x, y]_\beta \alpha z + y\alpha[x, z]_\beta$ , which we will extensively used.

**Definition 1.** [7] An additive mapping  $d : M \longrightarrow M$  is called a derivation if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha y + x\alpha d(y)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.** [2] An additive mapping  $\phi : M \longrightarrow M$  is said to be homomorphism if  $\phi(x\alpha y) = \phi(x)\alpha\phi(y)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 3.** [2] An additive mapping  $\psi : M \rightarrow M$  is called an anti-homomorphism if  $\psi(x\alpha y) = \psi(y)\alpha\psi(x)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Note:** A derivation  $d$  of  $M$  is said to act as a homomorphism [resp. as an anti-homomorphism] on a subset  $S$  of  $M$  if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha d(y)$  [resp.  $d(x\alpha y) = d(y)\alpha d(x)$ ] for all  $x, y \in S$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 4.** [11] Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring, then an additive mapping  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is said to be endomorphism if  $f(x\alpha y) = f(x)\alpha f(y)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 5.** [11] Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring, then an additive mapping  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is called an anti-endomorphism if  $f(x\alpha y) = f(y)\alpha f(x)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 6.** [8] An additive mapping  $(x\alpha x) \rightarrow (x\alpha x)$  on a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is called an involution if  $(x\alpha y) = y\alpha x$  and  $(x\alpha x) = x\alpha x$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 7.** An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -derivation if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha y + x\alpha d(y)$  which holds for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

In [3], Bell and Kappe proved that if  $d$  is a derivation of a semiprime ring  $R$  which is either an endomorphism or an anti-endomorphism on  $R$ , then  $d = 0$ ; whereas, the behavior of  $d$  is somewhat restricted in case of prime rings in the way that if  $d$  is a derivation of a prime ring  $R$  acting as a homomorphism or an anti-homomorphism on a non-zero right ideal  $U$  of  $R$ , then  $d = 0$ . Asma et. al. [1] extended this result of prime rings on square closed Lie ideals. Afterwards, the said result was extended to  $\sigma$ -prime rings by Oukhtite et. al. in [6].

In  $\Gamma$ -rings, Dey and Paul[4] proved that if  $D$  is a generalized derivation of a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  with an associated derivation  $d$  of  $M$  which acts as a homomorphism and an anti-homomorphism on a non-zero ideal  $I$  of  $M$ , then  $d = 0$  or  $M$  is commutative. Afterwards, Chakraborty and Paul[11] worked on  $k$ -derivation of a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring in the sense of Nobusawa [10] and proved that  $d = 0$  where  $d$  is a  $k$ -derivation acting as a  $k$ -endomorphism and as an anti- $k$ -endomorphism, the above mentioned results following [6] in classical rings are extended to those in gamma rings with derivation acting as a homomorphism and as an anti-homomorphism on  $\sigma$ -prime  $\Gamma$ -rings. In this paper we will prove that if  $d$  is  $\Gamma$ -derivation of a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution which is either an endomorphism or anti-endomorphism, then  $d=0$ .

## 2. $\Gamma^*$ -Derivation Acting as an Endomorphism and as an Anti-Endomorphism of $\Gamma$ -Ring $M$ with Involution

To prove our main result we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying assumption (A) and let  $a$  be an element in  $M$ . If  $a\alpha[x, y]_\beta = 0$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , then there exists an ideal  $U$  of  $M$  such that  $a \in U \subset Z(M)$  holds.*

*Proof.* The lemma has been proven by Hoque and Paul[9].

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution and let  $d : M \rightarrow M$  be a nonzero  $\Gamma$ -derivation, then  $d(x) \in Z(M)$  for all  $x \in M$  and if  $d(x) = [a, x]_\alpha$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , then  $d = 0$ .*

*Proof.* We have

$$d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha y + x\alpha d(y) \quad (3)$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Replace  $y$  by  $y\beta z$  in (3) we get

$$d(x\alpha(y\beta z)) = d(x)\alpha z \beta y + x\alpha d(y)\beta z + x\alpha y\beta d(z) \quad (4)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . And

$$d((x\alpha y)\beta z) = d(x)\alpha y \beta z + x\alpha d(y)\beta z + x\alpha y\beta d(z) \quad (5)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . If we compare (4) and (5), we get

$$d(x)\alpha[y, z]_\beta = 0 \quad (6)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . By using Lemma 2.1, we get  $d(x) \in Z(M)$  for all  $x \in M$  and if  $d(x) = [a, x]_\alpha$ , then from relation (6) one can show that  $[a, x]_\alpha \gamma M \gamma [a, x]_\alpha = 0$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $M$  is a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution, we get  $[a, x]_\alpha = 0$ , hence  $d = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $d : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -derivation which act-endomorphism of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  with involution and satisfying assumption (A), then*

$$d(y)\alpha x \beta d(y) = y\alpha x \beta d(y) \quad (7)$$

$$d(x)\alpha y \beta d(x) = d(x)\alpha x \beta y \quad (8)$$

*Proof.* We have

$$d(x)\alpha d(y) = d(x)\alpha y + x\alpha d(y) \tag{9}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Replace  $x$  by  $y\alpha x$  in (9)we get

$$d(y\alpha x)\beta d(y) = d(y\alpha x)\beta y + y\alpha x\beta d(y) \tag{10}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $d$  is act-endomorphism of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ , then

$$d(y\alpha x)\beta d(y) = d(y)\beta d(x\alpha y)$$

Then from above relation we get

$$d(y\alpha x)\beta d(y) = d(y)\beta d(x)\alpha y + d(y)\beta x\alpha d(y) \tag{11}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . According to (10) and (11)we arrive at (7).

Now replace  $y$  by  $y\beta x$  in (9)we get

$$d(x)\alpha d(y\beta x) = d(x)\alpha x \beta y + x\alpha d(y\beta x) \tag{12}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $d$  is act-endomorphism on  $M$ , then

$$d(x)\alpha d(y\beta x) = d(x\beta y)\alpha d(x)$$

Therefore ,

$$d(x)\alpha d(y\beta x) = d(x)\beta y \alpha d(x) + x\beta d(y)\alpha d(x) \tag{13}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . By comparing (12) and (13) we arrive at (8).

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $M$  be asemiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution satisfying assumption (A) and let  $d : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$  -derivation, then*

*a-If  $d$  is act-endomorphism on  $M$ , then  $d=0$  on  $M$ .*

*b-If  $d$  is act anti-endomorphism on  $M$ , then  $d=0$  on  $M$ .*

*Proof.* a- putting  $d(y)\gamma x$  for  $x$  in((7) lemma 2.3) we get

$$d(y)\alpha d(y)\gamma x\beta d(y) = y\alpha d(y)\gamma x\beta d(y) \tag{14}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $d$  is act-endomorphism on  $M$  and  $d$  is a  $\Gamma$  -derivation , then we get

$$d(y)\alpha y \gamma x\beta d(y) + y\alpha d(y)\gamma x\beta d(y) = y\alpha d(y)\gamma x\beta d(y) \tag{15}$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Hence

$$d(y)\alpha y \ \gamma x \beta d(y) = 0 \quad (16)$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Right multiplication of (16) by  $y$  gives

$$d(y)\alpha y \ \gamma x \beta d(y)\alpha y = 0 \quad (17)$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $M$  is semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with involution we get

$$d(y)\alpha y = 0$$

for all  $y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . By using Lemma(2.3) we get

$$d(x)\alpha y \ \beta d(x) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Then by semiprimeness of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  we obtain  $d = 0$ .

b- If  $d$  is act anti-endomorphism on  $M$ , then

$$d(x\alpha y) = d(y)\alpha d(x) \quad (18)$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . By using Lemma(2.2) we get

$$d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha d(y) \quad (19)$$

Then from relation (19) we get  $d$  is act-endomorphism on  $M$ , then by the same way of (a) we get  $d=0$  on  $M$ , this completes the proof of (b).

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