

**COMMUTATIVITY OF σ -PRIME
 Γ -RINGS WITH SEMIDERIVATIONS**

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Abstract: Let M be a 2-torsion free σ -prime Γ -ring satisfying the condition $a\alpha b\beta c = a\beta b\alpha c$ for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, I a σ -prime ideal of M and d a semiderivation associated with a function g which is surjective on I . In the paper we show some conditions on d , such that $d = 0$ or M is commutative.

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1. Introduction

C.L. Chuang [8] studied the structure of semiderivation of prime rings. He proved a structure theorem with the help of extended centroid of the classical associative rings. M. Brešar [6] also obtained the same result. J.C. Chang [7] extended some result of derivation in prime rings into semiderivations. The commutativity property of a prime ring have been investigated by H.E. Bell and

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W.S. Martindale [2] by means of semiderivations. J. Bergen and P. Grzeszczule in [4] study the commutativity properties of semiprime rings with skew (semi)-derivations.

The definition and examples of semiderivations in Γ -rings have been first given by K.K. Dey and A.C. Paul [10]. Here the authors also introduced the notion σ -primeness in Γ -rings and studied centralizing automorphisms and Jordan left derivations on σ -prime Γ -rings. In [9], the authors extended some results of centralizing and commuting mappings of prime rings with semiderivations to prime Γ -ring with semiderivations. A generalization of results of C.L. Chuang [8] for prime Γ -rings has been obtained in [11]. Commutativity conditions of σ -prime Γ -rings has been studied in [9]. A.C.Paul and S. Chakrabarty [15] obtained the result $d = 0$ or $U \subseteq Z(M)$, if d is acting as a homomorphism and an anti-homomorphism in $\Gamma\sigma$ -Lie ideal U of a σ -prime Γ -ring M where d is a derivation on M . Example 2.1 of [15] has been proved the existence of a σ -prime Γ -ring and an involution of a Γ -ring. In [12], A.K. Halder and A.C. Paul studied the commutativity properties of σ -prime Γ -ring with a nonzero derivation. In this paper, we obtain some commutativity results on σ -ideals of a σ -prime Γ -ring M with the help of semiderivation on M .

2. Preliminaries and Notations

In this section, we give some definitions and preliminary results that are needed for developing our results.

Let M and Γ be additive abelian groups. If there is a mapping $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$ satisfying the following conditions:

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

for all $a, b, c \in M$, $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ then M is called a Γ -ring.

The notion of a Γ -ring was first introduced by N. Nabusawa [13] and then it was generalized by Barnes [1]. Throughout the paper, M represents a Γ -ring in the sense of Barnes [1] with centre $Z(M)$. A Γ -ring M is said to be a *2-torsion free* if $2a = 0$ with $a \in M$ implies $a = 0$. A subset I of a Γ -ring M is called *left ideal* of M if I is an additive subgroup of M and $M\Gamma I \subseteq I$. The concept of *right ideal* of M is defined similarly. If I is both left and right ideal, then I is said to be a *two sided ideal* or simply an *ideal* of M . For elements a and b of a Γ -ring M and for $\alpha \in \Gamma$ we introduce the notation $[a, b]_\alpha = a\alpha b - b\alpha a$ (commutator of a and b with respect α). A Γ -ring M is called *commutative* if

$[a, b]_\alpha = 0$ for all $a, b \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. For elements $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ and for an element a of a Γ -ring M we also introduce formal notation $[\alpha, \beta]_a = \alpha a \beta - \beta a \alpha$, which means

$$a[\alpha, \beta]_b c = a(\alpha b \beta - \beta b \alpha)c = (a \alpha b) \beta c - (a \beta b) \alpha c.$$

Note that the following basic commutator identities hold

$$[a \alpha b, c]_\beta = [a, c]_\beta \alpha b + a[\alpha, \beta]_c b + a \alpha [b, c]_\beta$$

and

$$[a, b \alpha c]_\beta = [a, b]_\beta \alpha c + b[\alpha, \beta]_a c + b \alpha [a, c]_\beta,$$

for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

If we assume that

$$a \alpha b \beta c = a \beta b \alpha c, \tag{1.1}$$

for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, then we get

$$[a \alpha b, c]_\beta = [a, c]_\beta \alpha b + a \alpha [b, c]_\beta, \tag{1.2}$$

and

$$[a, b \alpha c]_\beta = [a, b]_\beta \alpha c + b \alpha [a, c]_\beta, \tag{1.3}$$

and for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

It is observed that the identities (1.2) and (1.3) mean that if by $d_\beta^r(\cdot) = [\cdot, c]_\beta$ and $d_\beta^l(\cdot) = [c, \cdot]_\beta$ we denote the right and left multiplication operators, respectively, on M with respect the bracket operation then we have

$$d_\beta^r(a \alpha b) = d_\beta^r(a) \alpha c + a \alpha d_\beta^r(b)$$

and

$$d_\beta^l(a \alpha b) = d_\beta^l(a) \alpha c + a \alpha d_\beta^l(b),$$

that is the right and the left multiplication operators are derivations on M .

An additive mapping $\sigma : M \rightarrow M$ is called an involution on M if $\sigma(a + b) = \sigma(a) + \sigma(b)$, $\sigma(a \alpha b) = \sigma(b) \alpha \sigma(a)$, and $\sigma(\sigma(a)) = a$, for all $a, b \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

The following example of an involution of a Γ -ring has been given in [15].

Example 2.1. Let M be a Γ -ring. Define $M_1 = \{(a, b) : a, b \in M\}$ and $\Gamma_1 = \{(\alpha, \alpha) : \alpha \in \Gamma\}$. Addition and multiplication on M_1 are defined as:

$$(a, b) + (c, d) = (a + c, b + d) \text{ and } (a, b)(\alpha, \alpha)(c, d) = (a \alpha c, d \alpha b).$$

Under these addition and multiplication the set M_1 is a Γ_1 -ring. Define a mapping

$$\sigma : M_1 \rightarrow M_1$$

by $\sigma((a, b)) = (b, a)$.

Then σ is an involution on M_1 .

Given a Γ -ring M with an involution σ , we define

$$Sa_\sigma(M) = \{fm \in M : \sigma(m) = \pm mg\},$$

which is known as the set of all symmetric and skew symmetric elements of M . Recall that M is σ -prime if

$$a\Gamma M\Gamma b = a\Gamma M\Gamma\sigma(b) = 0 \quad (a\Gamma M\Gamma b = \sigma(a)\Gamma M\Gamma b = 0) \tag{1.4}$$

implies that $a = 0$ or $b = 0$. It is clear that every prime Γ -ring having an involution σ is a σ -prime Γ -ring. The following example ensures that the converse of the above conclusion, in general, is not true (see [15]).

Example 2.2. Let M be a prime Γ -ring. Then we claim that the Γ_1 -ring M_1 equipped with the involution σ given in Example 2.1 is a σ -prime Γ_1 -ring. Because, for any $(a, b), (c, d), (x, y) \in M_1$ and $(\alpha, \alpha), (\beta, \beta) \in \Gamma_1$, we assume that

$$(a, b)(\alpha, \alpha)(x, y)(\beta, \beta)(c, d) = 0 = (a, b)(\alpha, \alpha)(x, y)(\beta, \beta)(d, c)$$

[since $\sigma((c, d)) = (d, c)$]. This gives

$$a\alpha x\beta c = 0, d\beta y\alpha b = 0, a\alpha x\beta d = 0 \text{ and } d\beta y\alpha b = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in M \text{ and } \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma.$$

Therefore,

$$a\Gamma M\Gamma c = 0, d\Gamma M\Gamma b = 0, a\Gamma M\Gamma d = 0, \text{ and } c\Gamma M\Gamma b = 0.$$

In view of the primeness of M , these yield $a = 0$ or $c = 0$, $d = 0$ or $b = 0$, $a = 0$ or $d = 0$ and $c = 0$ or $b = 0$. In all the cases, we obtain $(a, b) = 0$ or $(c, d) = 0$, which establishes our claim. But, M_1 is not a prime Γ_1 -ring. For, $(a, 0)(\alpha, \alpha)(x, y)(\beta, \beta)(0, b) = (0, 0)$ but $(a, 0)$ or $(0, b)$ are need not be zero, unless $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

An ideal I of M is called a σ -ideal, if $\sigma(I) = I$. Through the paper the center of I is denoted by $Z(I)$. An additive mapping $d : M \rightarrow M$ is said to be a derivation if $d(a\alpha b) = a\alpha d(b) + a\alpha d(b)$ holds for all $a, b \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$. An

additive mapping $d : M \rightarrow M$ is said to be a *semiderivation* associated with a function $g : M \rightarrow M$ if for all $a, b \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$, the conditions

$$d(a\alpha b) = d(a)\alpha g(b) + a\alpha d(b) \text{ and } d(g(a)) = g(d(a))$$

hold. If g is an identity mapping of M , then all semi derivations associated with g become an ordinary derivations. If g is any endomorphism of M , then $d(x) = x - g(x)$ gives an example of a semiderivation. Here is another example of a semiderivation from [11].

Example 2.3. Let M_1 be a Γ_1 -ring and M_2 be a Γ_2 -ring. Consider $M = M_1 \times M_2$ and $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2$. Define addition and multiplication on M and Γ by

$$\begin{aligned} (m_1, m_2) + (m_3, m_4) &= (m_1 + m_3, m_2 + m_4)(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) + (\alpha_3, \alpha_4) \\ &= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3, \alpha_2 + \alpha_4), \end{aligned}$$

$$(m_1, m_2)(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)(m_3, m_4) = (m_1\alpha_1m_3, m_2\alpha_2m_4),$$

for $(m_1, m_2), (m_3, m_4) \in M$ and $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4) \in \Gamma$.

Under these addition and multiplication operations the set M is a Γ -ring. Let $\delta : M_1 \rightarrow M_1$ be an additive map and $\tau : M_2 \rightarrow M_2$ be a left and right $M_2\Gamma$ -module which is not a derivation. Define $d : M \rightarrow M$ such that $d((m_1, m_2)) = (0, \tau(m_2))$ and $g : M \rightarrow M$ such that $g((m_1, m_2)) = (\delta(m_1), 0)$, for $m_1 \in M_1, m_2 \in M_2$. Then it is clear that d is a semi-derivation of M (with associated map g) which is not a derivation.

3. Semiderivations of σ -Prime Γ -Rings

In this section, we study the commutativity property of σ -prime Γ -rings by mean of semiderivations. Throughout the section, M represents a 2-torsion free σ -prime Γ -rings satisfying the condition (1.1). Let d be a semiderivation of M such that $d\sigma = \sigma d$ associated with a function $g : M \rightarrow M$.

We begin with the following lemma from [9].

Lemma 3.1. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M . If $a, b \in M$ are such that*

$$a\Gamma I\Gamma b = 0 = a\Gamma I\Gamma\sigma(b) \text{ or } \sigma(a)\Gamma I\Gamma b = 0 = a\Gamma I\Gamma b,$$

then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

The following lemma is a generalization of the lemma above.

Lemma 3.2. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M and $a \in M$. If $a\alpha d(x) = 0$ (or $d(x)\alpha a = 0$) for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $a = 0$ or $d = 0$.*

Proof. Let $x \in I$, $m \in M$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$ then $a\alpha d(x\beta m) = 0$, and therefore

$$a\alpha d(x)\beta g(m) + a\alpha x\beta d(m) = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

and so we get $a\alpha x\beta d(m) = 0$, for all $x \in I$, $m \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Hence, we have $a\Gamma I \Gamma d(m) = 0$ for all $m \in M$. Putting $\sigma(m)$ for m and using the fact $d\sigma = \sigma d$, we obtain $a\Gamma I \Gamma \sigma(d(m)) = 0$ for all $m \in M$. That is, we have $a\Gamma I \Gamma d(m) = 0 = a\Gamma I \Gamma \sigma(d(m)) = 0$ for all $m \in M$. That is, we have $a\Gamma I \Gamma d(m) = 0 = a\Gamma I \Gamma \sigma(d(m))$ for all $m \in M$. Due to Lemma 3.1, we conclude that $a = 0$ or $d = 0$.

If $d(x)\alpha a = 0$, then for all $m \in M$, $x \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$, we get $d(m\beta x)\alpha a = 0$ so that $d(m)\beta x\alpha a + g(m)\beta d(x)\alpha a = 0$. Therefore $d(m)\Gamma I \Gamma a = 0$ for all $m \in M$. If we replace m by $\sigma(m)$ and if we can use the fact $d\sigma = \sigma d$, then we obtain $d(m)\Gamma I \Gamma a = 0 = \sigma(d(m))\Gamma I \Gamma a$. By using Lemma 2.1, we obtain $d(m) = 0$ for all $m \in M$ or $a = 0$.

Theorem 3.3. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M . If $d(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in I$, then g is a homomorphism of M .*

Proof. For all $x \in I$, and $m, n \in M$, we have $x\alpha(m+n) \in I$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x\alpha(m+n)) &= d(x)\alpha g(m+n) + x\alpha d(m+n) \\ &= d(x)\alpha g(m+n) + x\alpha d(m) + x\alpha d(n). \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} d(x\alpha(m+n)) &= d(x\alpha m + x\alpha n) = d(x\alpha m) + d(x\alpha n) \\ &= d(x)\alpha g(m) + x\alpha d(m) + d(x)\alpha g(n) + x\alpha d(n). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Comparing (2.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$d(x)\alpha g(m+n) - d(x)\alpha(g(m) + g(n)) = 0,$$

and so

$$d(x)\alpha(g(m+n) - g(m) - g(n)) = 0,$$

for all $x \in I$, $m, n \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

By Lemma 3.2, we conclude that $g(m + n) = g(m) + g(n)$, for all $x \in I$, $m, n \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, since $d(x) \neq 0$ for $x \in I$.

Now, let $x \in I$, $m, n \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x\alpha(m\beta n)) &= d(x)\alpha g(m\beta n) + x\alpha d(m\beta n) \\ &= d(x)\alpha g(m\beta n) + x\alpha d(m)\beta n + x\alpha m\beta d(n). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} d((x\alpha m)\beta n) &= d(x\alpha m)\beta g(n) + x\alpha m\beta d(n) \\ &= d(x)\alpha g(m)\beta g(n) + x\alpha d(m)\beta g(n) + x\alpha m\beta d(n). \end{aligned}$$

Comparing these two equations, we find

$$d(x)\alpha(g(m\alpha n) - g(m) - g(n)) = 0$$

for all $x \in I$, $m, n \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Since $d(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in I$, by Lemma 3.2, we have $g(m\beta n) = g(m)\beta g(n)$ for all $m, n \in M$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$. If $d(I) \subseteq Z(I)$ then $d = 0$ or M is commutative.*

Proof. For $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, $x\alpha y \in I$. Therefore, $d(x\alpha y) \in Z(I)$. So, we have

$$d(x)\alpha g(y) + x\alpha d(y) \in Z(I),$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Commuting this term with x and using the hypothesis, we find

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [d(x)\alpha g(y) + x\alpha d(y), x]_\beta \\ &= [d(x)\alpha g(y), x]_\beta + [x\alpha d(y), x]_\beta \\ &= d(x)\alpha [g(y), x]_\beta + [d(x), x]_\beta \alpha g(y) + x\alpha [d(y), x]_\beta + [x, x]_\beta \alpha d(y) \\ &= d(x)\alpha [g(y), x]_\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Since $g(I) = I$, we get $[g(y), x]_\beta = [y, x]_\beta$ for all $x, y \in I, \beta \in \Gamma$. Therefore $d(x)\alpha [y, x]_\beta = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Replacing y by $y\gamma z$, for $z \in I, \gamma \in \Gamma$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d(x)\alpha [y\gamma z, x]_\beta \\ &= d(x)\alpha y\gamma [z, x]_\beta + d(x)\alpha [y, x]_\beta \gamma z \end{aligned}$$

$$=d(x)\alpha y\gamma[z, x]_\beta. \quad (3.1)$$

Since M is σ -prime and $\sigma d = d\sigma$, for any $x \in Sa_\sigma(M)$, we have $d(x)\Gamma I\Gamma[z, x]_\beta = 0 = \sigma(d(x))\Gamma I\Gamma[z, x]_\beta$. By using Lemma 3.1, we conclude that $d(x) = 0$ or $[z, x]_\beta = 0$ for all $z \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$. Now let $x \in I$. As $x \pm \sigma(x) \in I \cap Sa_\sigma(x)$, then $d(x \pm \sigma(x)) = 0$, then $d(x \pm \sigma(x)) = 0$ or $[z, x \pm \sigma(x)]_\beta = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$. If $d(x \pm \sigma(x)) = 0$, then

$$d(x) = \pm d(\sigma(x)) = \pm \sigma(d(x)).$$

Therefore equation (3.1) becomes $d(x)\Gamma I\Gamma[z, x]_\beta = 0 = \sigma(d(x))\Gamma I\Gamma[z, x]_\beta$. In view of Lemma 3.1, $d(x) = 0$ or $[z, x]_\beta$ for all $x \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$. If $[z, x \pm \sigma(x)]_\beta = 0$, then

$$[z, x]_\beta = \pm [z, \sigma(x)]_\beta = \pm \sigma([z, x]_\beta),$$

since $\sigma(I) = I$. Therefore from the equation (3.1), we have $d(x)\Gamma I\Gamma[z, x]_\beta = 0 = d(x)\Gamma I\Gamma\sigma([z, x]_\beta)$ for all $z \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$. This yields that $d(x) = 0$ or $[z, x]_\beta = 0$ for all $z \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$, hence we obtain that I is the union of its two additive subgroups such that $A = \{x \in I : d(x) = 0\}$ and $B = \{x \in I : x \in Z(I)\}$. But a group cannot be the set theoretic union of two proper subgroups. Hence $A = I$ or $B = I$. If $A = I$, then $d(x) = 0$ for all $x \in I$. If $B = I$, Then I is commutative. If $d(x) = 0$ for all $x \in I$, then for all $x \in I$, $m \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, we have $0 = d(x\alpha m) = d(x)\alpha g(m) + x\alpha d(m) = x\alpha d(m)$. This implies that $I\Gamma d(m) = 0$. Since $I\Gamma M \subseteq I$, $I\Gamma M\Gamma d(m) \subseteq I\Gamma d(m) = 0$ we have $I\Gamma M\Gamma d(m) = 0 = I\Gamma M\Gamma\sigma(d(m))$. Since M is σ -prime and $I \neq 0$, we conclude that $d(m) = 0$ for all $m \in M$. If I is commutative, then for every $x, y \in I$, $[x, y]_\alpha = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Replace y by $y\beta n$ for $n \in M$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$, we obtain $0 = [x, y\beta n]_\alpha = y\beta[x, n]_\alpha + [x, y]_\alpha\beta n = y\beta[x, n]_\alpha$. This implies that $I\Gamma[x, n]_\alpha = 0$ and hence $I\Gamma M\Gamma[x, n]_\alpha = 0 = \sigma(I)\Gamma M\Gamma[x, n]_\alpha$. Since $I \neq 0$ and M is σ -prime, we get $[x, n]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in I, n \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Replacing x by $x\gamma m$ for $m \in M$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$, we find that $x\gamma[m, n]_\alpha = 0$ and hence $I\Gamma[m, n]_\alpha = 0$ which gives that $I\Gamma M\Gamma[m, n]_\alpha = 0$, so that $[m, n]_\alpha = 0$ for all $m, n \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore M is commutative.

Theorem 3.5. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$. If $d^2(I) = 0$, then $d = 0$.*

Proof. Putting $x = x\alpha y$ for $y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$ $\text{ind}^2(x) = 0$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d^2(x\alpha y) = d(d(x\alpha y)) = d(d(x)\alpha g(y) + x\alpha d(y)) \\ &= d^2(x)\alpha g^2(y) + d(x)\alpha d(g(y)) + d(x)\alpha g(d(y)) + x\alpha d^2(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$=d(x)\alpha d(g(y)) + d(x)\alpha g(d(y)) = 2d(x)\alpha d(g(y)).$$

Since M is 2-torsion free and g is surjective function of M , we find $d(x)\alpha d(y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. In view of Lemma 3.2, we get the required result.

Theorem 3.6. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$ and $a \in M$. If $[d(x), a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $d = 0$ or $a \in Z(I)$. Hence we get $a \in Z(M)$.*

Proof. We have $[d(x), a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Replacing x by $x\beta y$ for $y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [d(x\beta y), a]_\alpha = [d(x)\beta g(y) + x\beta d(y), a]_\alpha \\ &= [d(x)\beta g(y), a]_\alpha + [x\beta d(y), a]_\alpha \\ &= d(x)\beta [g(y), a]_\alpha + [d(x), a]_\alpha \beta g(y) + x\beta [d(y), a]_\alpha + [x, a]_\alpha \beta d(y). \end{aligned}$$

By using the hypothesis, we find

$$d(x)\beta [g(y), a]_\alpha + [x, a]_\alpha \beta d(y) = 0,$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Replacing x by $d(x)$ in the above equation and using the hypothesis, we obtain

$$d^2(x)\beta [g(y), a]_\alpha = 0,$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

In view of the surjectiveness of g , we get $d^2(x)\beta [y, a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Putting $y\gamma z$ for y where $z \in I$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$, we have

$$0 = d^2(x)\beta [y\gamma z, a]_\alpha = d^2(x)\beta y\gamma [z, a]_\alpha + d^2(x)\beta [y, a]_\alpha \gamma z = d^2(x)\beta y\gamma [z, a]_\alpha$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. This implies that $d^2(x)\Gamma I \Gamma [z, a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Replacing x by $\sigma(x)$ and using $\sigma d = d\sigma$, we find $\sigma(d^2(x))\Gamma I \Gamma [z, a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. In view of Lemma 3.1, we obtain $d^2(x) = 0$ or $[z, a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. If $d^2(x) = 0$ for all $x \in I$, then $d = 0$ by Theorem 3.5. If $[z, a]_\alpha = 0$ for all $z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, $a \in Z(I)$. Now replacing z by $z\beta m$ for $m \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$, we have

$$0 = [z\beta m, a]_\alpha = z\beta [m, a]_\alpha + [z, a]_\alpha \beta m = z\beta [m, a]_\alpha = 0 \text{ for all } z \in I.$$

Replacing z by $z\gamma x$ for $x \in I$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$, we obtain $z\gamma x\beta[m, a]_\alpha = 0$. By Theorem 3.1, we conclude that $a \in Z(M)$.

Theorem 3.7. *If $I \neq 0$ is a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$. If $[d(I), d(I)]_\alpha = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $d = 0$ or M is commutative.*

Proof. Since $[d(I), d(I)]_\alpha = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$ in view of Theorem 2.6, we obtain $d = 0$ or $d(I) \subseteq Z(I)$, therefore by Theorem 3.4. we have $d = 0$ or M is commutative.

Theorem 3.8. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M . If $[d(x), x]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $d = 0$ or M is commutative.*

Proof. According to the hypothesis of the theorem we have $[d(x), x]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Putting $x + y$ for x and using (2.1), we find

$$[d(x), y]_\alpha + [d(y), x]_\alpha = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in I \text{ and } \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Replacing y by $y\beta x$, and using (2.1) in the above equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [d(x), y\beta x]_\alpha + [d(y\beta x), x]_\alpha \\ &= y\beta[d(x), x]_\alpha + [d(x), y]_\alpha\beta x + [d(y)\beta g(x) + y\beta d(x), x]_\alpha \\ &= [d(x), y]_\alpha\beta x + d(y)\beta[g(x), x]_\alpha + [d(y), x]_\alpha\beta g(x) + y\beta[d(x), x]_\alpha \\ &\quad + [y, x]_\alpha\beta d(x) \\ &= [d(x), y]_\alpha\beta x + d(y)\beta[g(x), x]_\alpha + [d(y), x]_\alpha\beta g(x) + [y, x]_\alpha\beta d(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since $g(I) = I$, we have

$$([d(x), y]_\alpha + [d(y), x]_\alpha)\beta x + [y, x]_\alpha\beta d(x) = [y, x]_\alpha\beta d(x).$$

Hence we have, $[y, x]_\alpha\beta d(x) = 0$ for all $x \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Replacing y by $z\gamma y$ for $z \in I$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$, we obtain $[z, x]_\alpha\gamma y\beta d(x) = 0$. That is $[z, x]_\alpha\Gamma\beta d(x) = 0$ for all $x, z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. By using the same arguments which are used in the last part of the proof of the Theorem 3.4, we obtain the required result.

Theorem 3.9. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$. If $d([x, y]_\alpha) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then M is commutative.*

Proof. Writing $x\beta y$ for y in the hypothesis, we find

$$0 = d([x, x\beta y]_\alpha) = d(x\beta[x, y]_\alpha + [x, x]_\alpha\beta y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= d(x)\beta g([x, y]_\alpha) + x\beta d([x, y]_\alpha) \\ &= d(x)\beta g([x, y]_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

In view of Theorem 3.3, g is a homomorphism of M . Hence we have $d(x)\beta([g(x), g(y)]_\alpha) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Since $g(I) = I$, we get

$$[g(x), g(y)]_\alpha = [x, y]_\alpha \text{ for all } x, y \in I \text{ and } \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Hence, we obtain $d(x)\beta([x, y]_\alpha) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Replacing y by $y\gamma z$ for $z \in I$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$, we get

$$d(x)\beta([x, y\gamma z]_\alpha) = d(x)\beta y\gamma[x, z]_\alpha + d(x)\beta[x, y]_\alpha \gamma z = d(x)\beta y\gamma[x, z]_\alpha = 0.$$

That is $d(x)\Gamma I \Gamma[x, z]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x, z \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. If $x \in Sa_\sigma(M)$, then $x = pm\sigma(x)$ so the above equation becomes $d(\sigma(x))\Gamma I \Gamma[x, z]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in Sa_\sigma(M)$, $z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Since $\sigma d = d\sigma$, we obtain $d(\sigma(x))\Gamma I \Gamma[x, z]_\alpha = \sigma(d(x)) \Gamma I \Gamma[x, z]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in Sa_\sigma(M)$, $z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore, $d(x) = 0$ or $[x, z]_\alpha = 0$ for all $x \in Sa_\sigma(M)$, $z \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. If $x \in I \cap Sa_\sigma(M)$, then $x \pm \sigma(x) \in Sa_\sigma(M)$. As a result we have $d(x \pm \sigma(x)) = 0$ or $[x \pm \sigma(x), z]_\alpha = 0$ for all $z \in I$. Using the same arguments used in the last part of the Theorem 3.4, we have the required result.

Theorem 3.10. *Let $I \neq 0$ be a σ -ideal of M such that $g(I) = I$. If $d([x, y]_\alpha) = \pm[x, y]_\alpha$, for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $d = 0$ or M is commutative.*

Proof. For $x, y \in I$ and $\beta \in \Gamma$, we have $x\beta y \in I$. Therefore putting $x\beta y$ for y in the hypothesis, we have

$$d([x, x\beta y]_\alpha) = \pm[x, x\beta y]_\alpha,$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. This implies that $d(x\beta[x, y]_\alpha) = \pm x\beta[x, y]_\alpha$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, so that $d(x)\beta g([x, y]_\alpha) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. In view of the hypothesis, the last relation yields $d(x)\beta g([x, y]_\alpha) = 0$ for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Using the similar arguments used in the last part of the proof of Theorem 3.9, we have the result.

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