

## COMMUTATIVITY OF PRIME RINGS WITH SYMMETRIC BIDERIVATIONS

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### Abstract

The present paper shows some results on the commutativity of  $R$ : Let  $R$  be a prime ring and for any nonzero ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , if  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that it satisfies any one of the following properties (i)  $B([x, y], z) = [x, y]$ , (ii)  $B([x, y], m) + [x, y] = 0$ , (iii)  $B(xoy, z) = xoy$ , (iv)  $B(xoy, z) + xoy = 0$ , (v)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = 0$ , (vi)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$ , (vii)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) + xoy = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ , then  $R$  is a commutative ring.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we study the relationship between the action of a prime ring  $R$  and the behaviour of some biadditive mappings defined on  $R$ . In all that follows unless specifically stated otherwise,  $R$  will be an associative ring with center  $Z(R)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . The symbols  $[x, y]$  and  $xoy$  render the commutator  $(xy - yx)$  and

the anticommutator  $(xy + yx)$  respectively. We use the following basic identities without any specific mention in the entire paper:

$$\begin{aligned} [xy, z] &= x[y, z] + [x, z]y, [x, yz] = y[x, z] + [x, y]z \\ xo(yz) &= (xoy)z - y[x, z] = y(xoz) + [x, y]z \\ (xy)oz &= x(yoz) - [x, z]y = (xoz)y + x[y, z]. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that  $R$  is prime if  $aRb = (0)$ , implies either  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ , and is semiprime if  $aRa = (0)$ , implies  $a = 0$ . An additive mapping  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is called derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ , holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ . Herstein [6] proved that a prime ring of characteristic not two with a nonzero derivation satisfying  $d(x)d(y) = d(y)d(x)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  must be commutative. Bell and Daif [4] showed that a prime ring of arbitrary characteristic with nonzero derivation  $d$  satisfying  $d(xy) = d(yx)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  must be commutative. Derivations with certain properties were investigated in various papers (see [2, 3, 10], and [7]). Further, Ashraf and Rehman [1] investigated the commutativity of  $R$  satisfying any one of the properties (i)  $d([x, y]) = [x, y]$ , (ii)  $d(xoy) = xoy$ , (iii)  $d(x)od(y) = 0$ , (iv)  $d(x)od(y) = xoy$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . A mapping  $B(.,.) : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is said to be symmetric if  $B(x, y) = B(y, x)$  holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ . A symmetric biadditive mapping  $B(.,.) : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is called a symmetric biderivation if either  $B(xy, z) = B(x, z)y + xB(y, z)$  or  $B(x, yz) = B(x, y)z + yB(x, z)$  is fulfilled for all  $x, y, z \in R$ . The concept of symmetric biderivation has been introduced by Maksa [8]. A mapping  $f : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be commuting on  $R$  if  $[f(x), x] = 0$  holds for all  $x \in R$ . Currently, many researchers are focussed to analyze the concept of commutings, related mappings with symmetric biderivations on a prime and semiprime rings (see [11, 12], and [13]). Motivated by these work of Ashraf [1] on derivations, we investigated the commutativity of biadditive mappings on  $R$  i.e., if  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that it satisfies any one of the following (i)  $B([x, y], z) = [x, y]$ , (ii)  $B([x, y], m) + [x, y] = 0$ , (iii)  $B(xoy, z) = xoy$ , (iv)  $B(xoy, z) + xoy = 0$ , (v)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = 0$ , (vi)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$ , (vii)  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) + xoy = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ , then  $R$  is a commutative ring.

To prove the main Theorems we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** ([5], Theorem 4). *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero left ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a nonzero biderivation  $B$  such that  $[x, B(x, y)]$  is central for all  $x, y \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Lemma 2** ([9], Lemma 3). *If a prime ring  $R$  contains a nonzero commutative right ideal, then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B^2(x, y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in I$ , then  $B(x, y) = 0$ .*

**Proof.** We have  $B^2(x, y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in I$ . Put  $yz$  instead of  $y$ , for any  $z \in I$  to get  $0 = B(x, y)B(z, m) + B(y, m)B(x, z)$ , for any  $m \in I$ . Put  $zr$  instead of  $z$ , for any  $r \in I$  and then put  $m = x$  to get  $B(x, y)zB(x, y) = 0$ , then  $B(x, y)IRB(x, y) = 0$ , by the primeness of  $R$  forces that either  $B(x, y) = 0$  or  $B(x, y)I = 0$ . If  $B(x, y)I = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in I$ , then  $B(x, y)RI = 0$ . Because of  $I \neq 0$ , we find that  $B(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . In both the cases  $B(x, y) = 0$ . ■

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B([x, y], z) = [x, y]$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** We have  $B$  is a biderivation such that,  $B([x, y], z) = [x, y]$ , for any  $x, y, z \in I$ . If  $B = 0$ , then  $[x, y] = 0$ , which implies that  $[x, y]r = 0$ , when the substitution of  $y$  by  $yr$ , for any  $r \in I$ . That is  $[x, y]I = 0$ , since  $I$  is non zero, obviously  $R$  is commutative using Lemma 2. Now consider a nonzero symmetric biderivation  $B$  such that  $B([x, y], z) = [x, y]$  and use the commutator identity to get the equation

$$B(x, z)y + xB(y, z) - B(y, z)x - yB(x, z) = [x, y]$$

put  $ym$  instead of  $y$ , for any  $m \in I$  in the above equation, we get

$$B(y, z)xm + yB(x, z)m + xyB(m, z) - ymB(x, z) - B(y, z)mx - yB(m, z)x = y[x, m]$$

again put  $x$  instead of  $m$  in the above equation, we find that  $[x, y]B(x, z) = 0$ . Again put  $ym$  instead of  $y$  in the above equation, we get  $[x, y]IRB(x, z) = 0$ . Thus the primeness of  $R$  forces either  $[x, y]I = 0$  or  $B(x, z) = 0$ , since our assumption that  $B$  is a non zero biderivation, therefore  $[x, y]I = 0$ . So using Lemma 2,  $R$  is commutative. ■

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B([x, y], m) + [x, y] = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** We have  $B$  is a biderivation such that,  $B([x, y], m) + [x, y] = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in I$ . If  $B = 0$ , then our result is obvious as in the proof of Theorem 4. So assume that a non zero biderivation and use the basic identity to get

$$B(x, m)y + xB(y, m) - B(y, m)x - yB(x, m) + [x, y] = 0.$$

Replace  $y$  by  $yz$ , for any  $z \in I$  in the above equation, we get  $B(y, m)[x, z] + [x, y]B(z, m) = 0$ . Again replace  $z$  by  $x$  in the above equation to get  $[x, y]B(x, m) = 0$ , then replace  $y$  by  $yz$  for  $z \in I$  in the above equation, we find that

$[x, y]IRB(x, m) = 0$ . Thus the primeness of  $R$  forces either  $[x, y]I = 0$  or  $B(x, m) = 0$ , since our assumption that  $B$  is a non zero biderivation, therefore  $[x, y]I = 0$ . So using Lemma 2,  $R$  is commutative. ■

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B(xoy, z) = xoy$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** For any  $x, y, z \in I$ , we have  $B(xoy, z) = xoy$ . If  $B = 0$ , then  $xoy = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in I$ . Put  $yz$  instead of  $y$  in above equation and using the identity to get  $(xoy)z - y[x, z] = 0$  which implies  $y[x, z] = 0$ , for any  $y \in I$  then  $IR[x, z] = 0$ . Since  $I$  is nonzero and by the primeness of  $R$ ,  $[x, z] = 0$ . Hence by Lemma 2,  $R$  is commutative. Hence onwards we assume that  $B \neq 0$  for any  $x, y, z \in I$ ,  $B(xoy, z) = xoy$ . Using the identity it can be rewritten as  $B(x, z)oy + xoB(y, z) = xoy$ . Put  $yz$  instead of  $y$  in above equation, we get  $(B(x, z)oy + xoB(y, z))x + (xoy)B(x, z) = (xoy)x$ , using the above equation, to get  $(xoy)B(x, z) = 0$ , again put  $my$  instead of  $y$ , for any  $m \in I$ , in above equation to find  $(m(xoy) + [x, m]y)B(x, z) = 0$ , which implies  $[x, m]IRB(x, z) = 0$ , by primeness of  $R$ ,  $B$  is nonzero and by Lemma 2, we get  $R$  is commutative. ■

Utilizing the above procedure with necessary variations we can show the following.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B(xoy, z) + xoy = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** A careful investigation of the proof of above theorem shows that a prime ring  $R$  is commutative if it satisfies the property  $xoy = 0$ . Thus it is natural to explore the behaviour of rings satisfying the property  $B(xoy, z) + xoy = 0$ , with a non zero biderivation is commutative using the same techniques with necessary variations. ■

In the present section we shall study the behaviour of the ring satisfying any one of the properties  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = 0$ ,  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$  and  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) + xoy = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ .

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** For any  $x, y, z \in I$ , we have  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = 0$ . If  $B = 0$ , then the result is trival. So assume that  $B$  is nonzero biderivation. Replacing  $z$  by  $zm$ , for any  $m \in I$  in the hypothesis equation, we get this result that  $[B(x, y), z]B(y, m) -$

$B(y, z)[B(x, y), m] = 0$  and again replace  $m$  by  $mB(x, y)$  in above equation, we find

$$[B(x, y), z]B(y, m)B(x, y) + [B(x, y), z]mB^2(x, y) - B(y, z)[B(x, y), m]B(x, y) = 0.$$

On simplifying above equation, we have  $[B(x, y), z]mB^2(x, y) = 0$ . Hence  $[B(x, y), z]IRB^2(x, y) = 0$ . By the primeness of  $R$  forces that either  $B^2(x, y) = 0$  or  $[B(x, y), z]I = 0$ . If  $B^2(x, y) = 0$ , by Lemma 3,  $B(x, y) = 0$  which is a contradiction. So  $[B(x, y), z]I = 0$ . Since  $I$  is a nonzero and by Lemma 2,  $R$  is commutative. ■

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** For any  $x, y, z \in I$ , we have  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$ . If  $B = 0$  then  $xoz = 0$ . Remember that the procedure given in the beginning of the proof of Theorem 3 are still valid in the present situation and hence we get the required result. Therefore we assume that  $B \neq 0$ , we have  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) = xoz$ . Replacing  $z$  by  $zm$ , for any  $m \in I$  in the above equation, we get

$$(B(x, y)oB(y, z))m - B(y, z)[B(x, y), m] + (B(x, y)o z)B(y, m) - z[B(x, y), B(y, m)] = (xoz)m - z[x, m]$$

now by our hypothesis the above relation yields that

$$-B(y, z)[B(x, y), m] + (B(x, y)o z)B(y, m) - z[B(x, y), B(y, m)] + z[x, m] = 0$$

for any  $r \in R$ , replace  $z$  by  $rz$  in above equation, we get  $[B(x, y), r]zB(y, m) - B(y, r)z[B(x, y), m] = 0$ . Now substituting  $B(x, y)$  for  $r$  in the above relation, we find that  $B^2(x, y)RI[B(x, y), m] = (0)$ . By the primeness of  $R$ , either  $B^2(x, y) = 0$  or  $I[B(x, y), m] = 0$ . If  $B^2(x, y) = 0$  then by Lemma 3,  $B(x, y) = 0$ , which is a contradiction. On the other hand  $I[B(x, y), m] = (0)$ , since  $I$  is a nonzero ideal of  $R$  and  $R$  is prime, the above relation yields that  $[B(x, y), m] = 0$ , for all  $x, y, m \in I$ . Hence by Lemma 1,  $R$  is commutative. ■

Using the similar arguments we can prove the following.

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring and  $I$  a nonzero ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a biderivation  $B$  such that  $B(x, y)oB(y, z) + xoz = 0$ , for all  $x, y, z \in I$ , then  $R$  is commutative.*

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