

Identities with Generalized Derivations and Automorphisms on Semiprime Rings

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Abstract: In this paper we prove some results which extend Theorem 4, Theorem 10 and Theorem 11 of Vukman [13] and proposition 2.3 of Thaheem and Samman [10].

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout the paper R will denote an associative ring with centre $Z(R)$. Recall that R is prime if for any $a, b \in R$, $aRb = \{0\}$ implies that either $a = 0$ or $b = 0$ and is semiprime if for any $a \in R$, $aRa = \{0\}$ implies that $a = 0$. A ring R is said to be a 2-torsion free if $2x = 0$ for $x \in R$ implies that $x = 0$. We shall write for any pair of elements $x, y \in R$ the commutator $[x, y] = xy - yx$. We will frequently use the basic commutator identities: $[xy, z] = x[y, z] + [x, z]y$ and $[x, yz] = y[x, z] + [x, y]z$ for all $x, y \in R$. An additive mapping $d : R \rightarrow R$ is called a derivation if $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ holds for all $x, y \in R$. Let α be an automorphism of a ring R . An additive mapping $d : R \rightarrow R$ is called an α -derivation if $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + xd(y)$ holds for all $x, y \in R$. Note that the mapping $d = \alpha - I$ is an α -derivation. Of course, the concept of α -derivation generalizes the concept of derivation, since I -derivation is a derivation. An additive mapping $F : R \rightarrow R$ is called a generalized derivation with an associated derivation d of R if $F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y)$ holds for all $x, y \in R$. Every derivation is a generalized derivation of R . A mapping $f : R \rightarrow R$ is called centralizing if $[f(x), x] \in Z(R)$ holds for all $x \in R$, in the special case when $[f(x), x] = 0$ holds for all $x \in R$, the mapping f is said to be commuting on R . Analogously a mapping $f : R \rightarrow R$ is called skew-centralizing if $f(x)x + xf(x) \in Z(R)$ and is called skew-commuting if $f(x)x + xf(x) = 0$ holds for all $x \in R$. Posner [9] has proved that the existence of nonzero centralizing derivation on a prime ring forces the ring to be commutative. Mayne [8] proved that in case there

exists a nontrivial centralizing automorphism on a prime ring, then the ring is commutative.

Bresar [2] has proved that if R is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and $f : R \rightarrow R$ is an additive skew-commuting mapping on R , then $f = 0$. Vukman [13] proved that if there exist a derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and an automorphism $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$, where R is 2-torsion free semiprime ring such that $[d(x)x + x\alpha(x), x] = 0$ holds for all $x \in R$, then d and $\alpha - I$, where I denotes the identity mapping, map R into its center. We extend Vukman results for generalized derivation.

2. MAIN RESULTS

We begin with the following Lemmas which are essential to prove our main results.

Lemma 2.1. [12, Lemma 1] Let R be a semiprime ring. Suppose that the relation $axb + bxc = 0$ holds for all $x \in R$ and some $a, b, c \in R$. In this case, $(a + c)xb = 0$ is satisfied for all $x \in R$.

Lemma 2.2. [14, Lemma 1.3] Let R be a semiprime ring. Suppose that there exists $a \in R$ such that $a[x, y] = 0$ holds for all $x, y \in R$. In this case, $a \in Z(R)$.

Lemma 2.3. [10, Proposition 2.3] Let R be a semiprime ring and let $d : R \rightarrow R$ be a commuting α -derivation on R . In this case, d maps R into its center.

Lemma 2.4. [13, Theorem 6] Let R be 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let $f : R \rightarrow R$ be an additive centralizing mappings on R . In this case, f is commuting on R .

Lemma 2.5. [13, Lemma 3] Let R be a semiprime ring and let $f : R \rightarrow R$ be an additive mapping. If either $f(x)x = 0$ or $xf(x) = 0$ holds for all $x \in R$, then $f = 0$.

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In [13, Theorem 4] Vukman proved that if R is a semiprime ring, $d : R \rightarrow R$ is a derivation of R and α is an automorphism of R such that the mapping $x \rightarrow d(x) + \alpha(x)$ is commuting on R , then $d, \alpha - I$ map R into $Z(R)$, the centre of R . We extend the result replacing d by a generalized derivation F of R as follows:

Theorem 2.1 Let R be a semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that the mapping $x \rightarrow F(x) + \alpha(x)$ is commuting on R . In this case, d and $\alpha - I$ map R into $Z(R)$.

Proof: The linearization of the relation

$$[F(x) + \alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R, \tag{1}$$

gives;

$$[F(x) + \alpha(x), y] + [F(y) + \alpha(y), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R, \tag{2}$$

Taking yx instead of y in (2) and using (1), we obtain

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

According to relation (2) one can replace in the above relation $[F(x) + \alpha(x), y]x + [F(y), x]x$ by $-[\alpha(y), x]x$ which gives

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

where $G(x)$ denotes $\alpha(x) - x$. Replacing xy for y in (4) we get

$$[\alpha(x), x]\alpha(y)G(x) + \alpha(x)[\alpha(y), x]G(x) + xy[d(x), x] + x[y, x]d(x) + \alpha(x)\alpha(y)[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{5}$$

Replacing $\alpha(y)$ by y in the above relation, we obtain

$$[\alpha(x), x]yG(x) + \alpha(x)[y, x]G(x) + xy[d(x), x] + x[y, x]d(x) + \alpha(x)y[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{6}$$

Left multiplying (4) by x , replacing $\alpha(y)$ by y and then subtracting from (6), we get

$$[G(x), x]yG(x) + G(x)[y, x]G(x) + G(x)y[G(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R, \tag{7}$$

where $[\alpha(x), x] = [G(x), x]$, which reduces to

$$xG(x)yG(x) + G(x)y(-G(x)x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{8}$$

Applying Lemma 2.1, the above relation gives

$$[G(x), x]yG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{9}$$

Substituting yx for y in (9), we obtain

$$[G(x), x]yxG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{10}$$

Right multiplying (9) by x and then subtracting from (10), we get

$$[G(x), x]y[G(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{11}$$

Semiprimeness of R yields that

$$[G(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{12}$$

We have therefore, $[\alpha(x), x] = 0$, for all $x \in R$, which gives together with the relation (1) yields that

$$[F(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{13}$$

Linearization of the above relation gives

$$[F(x), y] + [F(y), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{14}$$

Replacing yx for y in (14) and using (13), we obtain

$$[F(x), y]x + [F(y), x]x + [yd(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{15}$$

Right multiplying (14) by x and then subtracting from (15), we get

$$[yd(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{16}$$

Substituting $d(x)y$ for y in (16) and using (16), we obtain

$$[d(x), x]yd(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{17}$$

Replacing y by yx in (17), we get

$$[d(x), x]yxd(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{18}$$

Right multiplying (17) by x and then subtracting from (18), we obtain

$$[d(x), x]y[d(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{19}$$

Semiprimeness of R yields that

$$[d(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{20}$$

We have therefore proved that G and d are both commuting on R . Now Lemma 2.3 completes the proof of the theorem.

Corollary 2.1. Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that the mapping $x \rightarrow F(x) + \alpha(x)$ is centralizing on R . In this case, d and $\alpha - I$ map R into $Z(R)$.

Proof: The proof is an immediate consequence of Lemma 2.4 and Theorem 2.1.

Corollary 2.2 Let R be a noncommutative prime ring of char $R \neq 2$. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that the mapping $x \rightarrow F(x) + \alpha(x)$ is centralizing on R . In this case, $d = 0$ and $\alpha = I$.

In [13, Theorem 10] Vukman proved that If R is a semiprime ring, $d : R \rightarrow R$ is a derivation of R and α is an automorphism of R such that the mapping $d(x)x + x(\alpha(x) - x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$, then $d = 0$ and $\alpha = I$. We obtain the result in case of a generalized derivation as follows:

Theorem 2.2 Let R be a semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that $F(x)x + x(\alpha(x) - x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$, then $d = 0$ and $\alpha = I$.

Proof By hypothesis, we have

$$F(x)x + xG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R, \tag{21}$$

where $G(x)$ stands for $\alpha(x) - x$. Replacing x by $x + y$ in (21) and using it, we get

$$F(x)y + F(y)x + xG(y) + yG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{22}$$

Substituting yx for y in (22), we obtain

$$F(x)yx + F(y)x^2 + yd(x)x + xG(y)\alpha(x) + xyG(x) + yxG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{23}$$

Right multiplying (22) by x and then subtracting from (23), we get

$$yd(x)x + xG(y)G(x) + xyG(x) + yxG(x) - yG(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{24}$$

Replacing y by xy in (24), we get

$$xyd(x)x + xG(x)\alpha(y)G(x) + x^2G(y)G(x) + x^2yG(x) + xyxG(x) - xyG(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{25}$$

Left multiplying (24) by x , we obtain

$$xyd(x)x + x^2G(y)G(x) + x^2yG(x) + xyxG(x) - xyG(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{26}$$

Comparing (25) and (26), we get

$$xG(x)\alpha(y)G(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{27}$$

Replacing $\alpha(y)$ by y in (27), we obtain

$$xG(x)yG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{28}$$

Replacing y by yx in (28), we get

$$xG(x)yxG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{29}$$

Semiprimeness of R yields that

$$xG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{30}$$

Applying Lemma 2.5, we get $G = 0$. Using this relation in (21) we obtain $F(x)x = 0$ for all $x \in R$. Again by Lemma 2.5 we get $F = 0$. This implies that

$$F(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{31}$$

Replacing x by xy in (31) and using (31), we obtain

$$xd(y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{32}$$

In particular $xd(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. By Lemma 2.5, we conclude that $d = 0$.

The following theorem is an extension of Theorem 11 of [13].

Theorem 2.3 Let R be a semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that the mapping $x \rightarrow F(x)x + x\alpha(x)$ is commuting on R . In this case, d and $\alpha - I$ map R into $Z(R)$.

Proof: We have the relation

$$[F(x)x + x\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{33}$$

Linearization of (33) yields that

$$[A(x), y] + [F(x)y + F(y)x + x\alpha(y) + y\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R, \tag{34}$$

where $A(x)$ stands for $F(x)x + x\alpha(x)$. Replacing yx for y in (34), we get

$$[A(x), y]x + [F(x)y + F(y)x, x] + [yd(x)x, x] + x[\alpha(y)\alpha(x), x] + [yx\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{35}$$

According to (34), one can replace in the above relation $[A(x), y]x + [F(x)y + F(y)x, x]$ by $-[x\alpha(y) + y\alpha(x), x]$, to obtain

$$x[\alpha(y), x]G(x) - y[\alpha(x), x]x + [y, x][\alpha(x), x] + y[d(x), x]x + [y, x]d(x)x + x\alpha(y)[\alpha(x), x] + yx[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \tag{36}$$

where $G(x)$ denotes $\alpha(x) - x$. Substituting xy for y and y for $\alpha(y)$ in (36), we get

$$x[\alpha(x), x]yG(x) + x\alpha(x)[y, x]G(x) - xy[\alpha(x), x]x + x[y, x][\alpha(x), x] + xy[d(x), x]x + x[y, x]d(x)x + x\alpha(x)y[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \tag{37}$$

Left multiplying (36) by x , we get

$$x^2[\alpha(y), x]G(x) - xy[\alpha(x), x]x + x[y, x][\alpha(x), x] + xy[d(x), x]x + x[y, x]d(x)x + x^2\alpha(y)[\alpha(x), x] + xyx[\alpha(x), x] + x[y, x]x\alpha(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{38}$$

Substituting $\alpha(y)$ for y in (38), we have

$$x^2[y, x]G(x) - xy[\alpha(x), x]x + x[y, x][\alpha(x), x] + xy[d(x), x]x + x[y, x]d(x)x + x^2y[\alpha(x), x] + xyx[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{39}$$

Subtracting (37) from (39), we obtain

$$x[G(x), x]yG(x) + xG(x)y[G(x), x] + xG(x)[y, x]G(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R, \tag{40}$$

where $[G(x), x] = [\alpha(x), x]$. Collecting terms, the above relation can be written as

$$-x^2G(x)yG(x) + xG(x)yG(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{41}$$

Substituting yx for y in the above relation, we get

$$-x^2G(x)yxG(x) + xG(x)yxG(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{42}$$

Applying Lemma 2.1, we get

$$x[G(x), x]yxG(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{43}$$

Putting first in the above relation yx for y , then multiplying the relation (43) from the right side by x , and then subtracting the relations so obtained one from another, we arrive at $x[G(x), x]yx[G(x), x] = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$, whence it follows that

$$x[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{44}$$

Applying (44) in (33), we get

$$[F(x), x]x = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{45}$$

Linearizing (44), we obtain

$$x[\alpha(x), y] + x[\alpha(y), x] + y[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{46}$$

Substituting xy for y in (46), we get

$$x^2[\alpha(x), y] + x\alpha(x)[\alpha(y), x] + xy[\alpha(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{47}$$

Left multiplying (46) by x and then subtracting from (47), we obtain

$$xG(x)[\alpha(y), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{48}$$

Substituting y for $\alpha(y)$ in the above relation, we get

$$xG(x)[y, x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{49}$$

Replacing y by yz in (49), we arrive at

$$xG(x)y[z, x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in R. \tag{50}$$

Linearization of x and w in (50), yields that

$$xG(x)y[z, w] + xG(w)y[z, x] + wG(x)y[z, x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z, w \in R. \tag{51}$$

Putting in the above relation $[z, w]yxG(x)$ for y and applying the relation (49), we obtain $(xG(x)[z, w]y(xG(x)[z, w])) = 0$ for all $x, y, z, w \in R$, Semiprimeness of R gives

$$xG(x)[z, w] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z, w \in R. \tag{52}$$

Applying Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$G(x)[z, w] = 0 \text{ for all } x, z, w \in R. \tag{53}$$

By Lemma 2.2, we conclude that $G(x) \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. In other words, $\alpha - I$ maps R into $Z(R)$. Linearization of (45) gives

$$[F(x), y]x + [F(y), x]x + [F(x), x]y = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{54}$$

Replacing y by yx in (54), we get

$$[F(x), y]x^2 + [F(y), x]x^2 + [yd(x), x]x + [F(x), x]yx = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{55}$$

Right multiplying (54) by x and then subtracting from (55), we obtain

$$[yd(x), x]x = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{56}$$

Replacing y by $d(x)y$ in (56) and using (56), we get

$$[d(x),x]yd(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R. \quad (57)$$

Replacing y by xy in (57), we obtain

$$[d(x),x]xyd(x)x = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R. \quad (58)$$

Putting first in the above relation yx for y , then multiplying the relation (58) from the right side by x , and then subtracting the relations so obtained one from another, we arrive at $[d(x),x]xy[d(x),x]x = 0$ for all $x,y \in R$.

Semiprimeness of R gives

$$[d(x),x]x = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (59)$$

Hence by [11, Theorem 11], d maps R into $Z(R)$.

Theorem 2.4 Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that $[[F(x),x] \pm \alpha(x),x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. In this case, d and $\alpha - I$ map R into $Z(R)$.

Proof By hypothesis, we have

$$[[F(x),x],x] + [\alpha(x),x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (60)$$

Linearization of (60) yields that

$$[[F(y),x],x] + [[F(x),y],x] + [[F(x),x],y] + [\alpha(y),x] + [\alpha(x),y] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R, \quad (61)$$

Replacing y by x in (61) and using (60), we get

$$[[F(x),x],x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (62)$$

By [5, Theorem 3.4], d maps R into $Z(R)$. Using (62) in (60), we obtain

$$[\alpha(x),x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (63)$$

Now Lemma 2.3 completes the proof of the theorem. Similarly we can prove the case $[[F(x),x] - \alpha(x),x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$.

Theorem 2.5 Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that $[[F(x) \pm \alpha(x),x],x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. In this case, R is commutative and d maps R into $Z(R)$.

Proof: By hypothesis, we have

$$[F(x),x] + [[\alpha(x),x],x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (64)$$

Linearization of (64) yields that

$$[F(y),x] + [F(x),y] + [[\alpha(y),x],x] + [[\alpha(x),y],x] + [[\alpha(x),x],y] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R, \quad (65)$$

Replacing y by x in (65) and using (64), we get

$$[[\alpha(x),x],x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (66)$$

This implies that

$$[x,[x,\alpha(x)]] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (67)$$

Replacing $\alpha(y)$ by y in (67) to get

$$[x,[x,y]] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R. \quad (68)$$

This implies that $[x,y] \in Z(R)$ for all $x,y \in R$. Therefore we can write

$$[[x,y],r] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y,r \in R. \quad (69)$$

Substituting yx for y in (69) and using (69), we get

$$[x,y][x,r] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y,r \in R. \quad (70)$$

Replacing r by ry in the above relation and using it, we obtain

$$[x,y]r[x,y] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y,r \in R. \quad (71)$$

Semiprimeness of R yields that

$$[x,y] = 0 \text{ for all } x,y \in R. \quad (72)$$

This implies that R is commutative. Putting (66) in (64) to get

$$[F(x),x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (73)$$

By Theorem 2.1 we obtain d maps R into $Z(R)$. Similarly we can prove the case $[F(x) - [\alpha(x),x],x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$.

Theorem 2.6 Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. Suppose that $F : R \rightarrow R$ is a generalized derivation with an associated derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ and $\alpha : R \rightarrow R$ is an automorphism such that $[[F(x) \pm \alpha(x),x],x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. In this case, d maps R into $Z(R)$ and R is commutative.

Proof By hypothesis, we have

$$[[F(x),x],x] + [[\alpha(x),x],x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (74)$$

Linearization of (74) yields that

$$[[F(y), x], x] + [[F(x), y], x] + [[F(x), x], y] + [[\alpha(y), x], x] + [[\alpha(x), y], x] + [[\alpha(x), x], y] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \quad (75)$$

Substituting x for y and y for $\alpha(y)$ respectively in (75) and using (74), we get

$$[[F(x), x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (76)$$

By Theorem 2.4, we obtain d maps R into $Z(R)$. Applying the above relation in (74), we obtain

$$[[\alpha(x), x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \quad (77)$$

By Theorem 2.5 we get the required result. Similarly we can prove the case $[[F(x) - \alpha(x), x], x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$.

The following example illustrates that the above Theorems do not hold for arbitrary rings and torsion condition in the hypothesis is not superfluous.

Example: Consider $R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\}$.

R is neither a semiprime ring nor 2-torsion free. Define maps $F, d, \alpha : R \rightarrow R$ by

$$F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, d \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -a & -b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ It can be verified that } F \text{ is}$$

a generalized derivation with an associated derivation d and $d = \alpha - I$ is an α -derivation of R satisfying the hypothesis of Theorem 2.1 - Theorem 2.6. But R is not commutative.

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