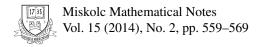


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Abstract. Let R be a 2-torsion free simple \*-ring and  $D : R \to R$  be an additive mapping satisfying  $D(xx^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*)$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Then D is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R or R is  $S_4$  ring. Also, if R is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $G : R \to R$  is an additive mapping related with some  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation D of R such that  $G(xx^*) = G(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*)$ , for all  $x \in R$ , then G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let *R* be an associative ring with center *Z*. Recall that a ring *R* is prime if  $xRy = \{0\}$  implies x = 0 or y = 0. A ring *R* is semiprime if  $xRx = \{0\}$  implies x = 0. An additive mapping  $d : R \to R$  is called a derivation if d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y) holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . A left (right) centralizer of *R* is an additive mapping  $T : R \to R$  which satisfies T(xy) = T(x)y (T(xy) = xT(y)) for all  $x, y \in R$ . If  $a \in R$ , then  $L_a(x) = ax$  is a left centralizer and  $R_a(x) = xa$  is a right centralizer. Inspired by the definition derivation and left (right) centralizer, the notion of  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation and  $\sigma$ -centralizer were extended as follow:

Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be any two functions of R. An additive mapping  $d : R \to R$  is called a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)d(y)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . A left (right)  $\sigma$ -centralizer of R is an additive mapping  $T : R \to R$  which satisfies T(xy) = $T(x)\sigma(y)$  ( $T(xy) = \sigma(x)T(y)$ ) for all  $x, y \in R$ . Of course a (1, 1)-derivation where 1 is the identity map on R is a derivation and a left (right) 1-centralizer is a left (right) centralizer. An additive mapping  $x \to x^*$  on a ring R is called an involution if  $(x^*)^* = x$  and  $(xy)^* = y^*x^*$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . A ring equipped with an involution is called a ring with involution, or a \*-ring. Let  $S = \{x \in R \mid x^* = x\}$ be the set of symmetric elements of R and  $K = \{x \in R \mid x^* = -x\}$  the set of skew elements of R. If A and B are nonempty subsets of R, then AB and [A, B] will be additive subgroups of R generated respectively by ab and [a,b] = ab - ba for all  $a \in A, b \in B$ .

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It is well known that a prime ring R satisfies the standard identity

$$S_{2n}(x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2n}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{2n}} (-1)^{\sigma} x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}, ..., x_{\sigma(2n)}$$

if and only if R is an order in a simple algebra of dimension at most  $n^2$  over its center. Since such a condition appears from time to time in what follows, we shall say that "R satisfies  $S_{2n}$ " for simplicity. Otherwise, as in Lanski [13], R will be called  $S_{2n}$ -free.

Recently, in [4], Bresar introduced the following definition: An additive mapping  $f: R \to R$  is called a generalized derivation if there exists a derivation  $d: R \to R$  such that

$$f(xy) = f(x)y + xd(y)$$
, for all  $x, y \in R$ .

One may observe that the concept of generalized derivation includes the concept of derivations and the left centralizers when d = 0. The main examples are the derivations and generalized inner derivations a functions  $f_{a,b}: R \to R$ , the type  $f_{a,b}(x) = ax + xb$  for some fixed  $a, b \in R$ . Given an arbitrary mapping  $f: R \to R$ and additive mapping  $d: R \to R$  of a semiprime (or prime) ring R such that f(xy) = f(x)y + xd(y), for all  $x, y \in R$ , we note that f is uniquely defined by d, which should be a derivation by [4, Remark 2]. The notion of generalized derivation was extended as follows: Let  $\sigma, \tau$  two functions of R. An additive mapping  $f: R \to R$  is called a generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation on R if there exists a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation  $d: R \to R$  such that

$$f(xy) = f(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)d(y)$$
, for all  $x, y \in R$ .

On the other hand, an additive mapping  $d : R \to R$  is called a Jordan derivation if  $d(x^2) = d(x)x + xd(x)$  holds for all  $x \in R$ . Every derivation is a Jordan derivation. The converse is false in general. Herstein's result [8] states that each Jordan derivation of a prime 2-torsion free ring is a derivation. M. Bresar extended this result to the case of Jordan derivations of a semiprime 2-torsion free rings in [5]. In [6], under same conditions it was shown that each of Jordan  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of a prime 2-torsion free ring is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation. C. Lanski showed the same theorem for semiprime rings in [14]. Following [2], M. Ashraf and N. Rehman proved it for a generalized derivation of a prime 2-torsion free ring.

I. N. Herstein proved that if R is a simple \*-ring with characteristic different from two,  $\dim_Z R > 4$  and an additive mapping  $D: R \to R$  such that  $D(xx^*) = D(x)x^* + xD(x^*)$ , for all  $x \in R$ , then D must be a derivation in [10, Theorem 4.1.3]. M. N. Daif and M. S. Tammam El-Sayiad extended this result for additive mapping  $G: R \to R$  related with some derivation D of R such that  $G(xx^*) = G(x)x^* + xD(x^*)$ , for all x in a 2-torsion free semiprime \*-ring R in [7]. They showed that G is a Jordan derivation of R. Also, in [15], Vukman and Kosi-Ulbl proved that R is a 2-torsion free semiprime \*-ring and an additive mapping  $T: R \to R$  is an additive mapping such that  $T(xx^*) = T(x)x^* (T(x^*x) = x^*T(x))$  is fulfilled for all

 $x \in R$ , then T is a left (right) centralizer. This result was extended for a left (right)  $\sigma$ -centralizer of R in [1].

The first purpose of this paper is to prove the theorem in [10, Theorem 4.1.3] for  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R*. The second aim is to show the theorem in [7, Theorem 2.1] for generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R*.

## 2. Results

Throughout the present paper,  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are automorphisms of *R*. In order to prove the theorems, we shall require the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** ([15], Lemma 1). Let R be a semiprime \*-ring. Suppose there exists an element  $a \in R$  such that  $ax^* = ax$  for all  $x \in R$ . In this case  $a \in Z$ .

**Lemma 2** ([9], Theorem 1.3). Let *R* be a simple ring of characteristic different from two and *U* be a Lie ideal of *R*. Then either  $U \subset Z$  or  $[R, R] \subset U$ .

**Lemma 3** ([9], Corollary, p.6). If R is a noncommutative simple ring of characteristic different from two. Then the subring generated by [R, R] in R.

**Lemma 4** ([9], Lemma 2.1). Let R be any ring with involution R = S + K, then  $K^2$  is a Lie ideal of R.

**Lemma 5** ([10], Theorem 2.1.2). Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and suppose that A is both a subring of R and a Lie ideal of R. Then  $A \subset Z$  or A contains a nonzero ideal of R.

**Lemma 6** ([12], Lemma 2). Let R be any semiprime ring with involution. If  $[K^2, K^2] = (0)$ , then R satisfies S<sub>4</sub>.

**Lemma 7** ([14], Theorem 2). Let *R* be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and *d* a Jordan  $(\phi, \theta)$ -derivation with  $\phi$  or  $\theta$  an automorphism of *R*. Then *d* is a  $(\phi, \theta)$ -derivation of *R*.

**Lemma 8** ([1], Theorem 2.2). Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $\alpha$  be an automorphism of R. If  $T : R \to R$  is an additive mapping such that  $T(x^2) = T(x)\sigma(x)$  for all  $x \in R$ , then T is a left  $\alpha$ -centralizer.

**Lemma 9** ([3], Lemma 4). Let R be a 2-torsion free prime ring, U is a Lie ideal of R and  $a, b \in R$ . If aUb = (0), then a = 0 or b = 0 or  $U \subset Z$ .

**Lemma 10** ([11], 1.1 Lemma). Let R be a prime ring with characteristic not two and U a nonzero Lie ideal of R. If d is a nonzero  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R such that d(U) = 0, then  $U \subseteq Z$ .

The following theorem gives a generalization of [10, Theorem 4.1.3] for  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R*.

**Theorem 1.** Let R be a 2-torsion free simple \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  such that

$$D(xx^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R.$$
(2.1)

Then D is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R or R is S<sub>4</sub> ring.

*Proof.* Assume that R is  $S_4$  free. A linearization of (2.1) yields that

$$D(xx^* + xy^* + yx^* + yy^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + D(x)\sigma(y^*) + D(y)\sigma(x^*) + D(y)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*) + \tau(y)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*) + \tau(y)D(y^*), \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Using D is an additive mapping and (2.1), we arrive at

 $D(xy^* + yx^*) = D(x)\sigma(y^*) + D(y)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(y)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*).$  (2.2) Taking x\* instead of y in (2.2), we get

$$D(x^{2} + (x^{*})^{2}) = D(x)\sigma(x) + D(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + \tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(x),$$

and so

$$D(x^{2}) - D(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x) + D((x^{*})^{2}) - D(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) - \tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) = 0.$$

This relation reduces to

$$A(x) + A(x^*) = 0$$
, for all  $x \in R$ 

where A(x) stands for  $A(x) = D(x^2) - D(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x)$ . Replacing y by  $xy^* + yx^*$  in (2.2), we obtain that

$$D(x(xy^* + yx^*)^* + (xy^* + yx^*)x^*) = D(x)\sigma((xy^* + yx^*)^*) + \tau(x)D((xy^* + yx^*)^*) + D(xy^* + yx^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(xy^* + yx^*)D(x^*),$$

and so

$$D(xyx^* + x^2y^* + xy^*x^* + y(x^*)^2) = D(x)\sigma(yx^*) + D(x)\sigma(xy^*) + \tau(x)D(yx^* + xy^*) + D(xy^* + yx^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(xy^*)D(x^*) + \tau(yx^*)D(x^*).$$

Using (2.2), we have

$$D(x(y+y^{*})x^{*}) + D(x^{2}y^{*} + y(x^{*})^{2}) = D(y)\sigma(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + D(x)\sigma(y^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + \tau(y)D(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(y^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + D(x)\sigma(yx^{*}) + D(x)\sigma(xy^{*}) + \tau(xy^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(yx^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(y)\sigma(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(x)\sigma(y^{*}) + \tau(xy)D(x) + \tau(x^{2})D(y^{*}).$$

Now the relation (2.2) reduces to 
$$D(x^2y^* + y(x^2)^*) = D(y)\sigma(x^2)^* + D(x^2)\sigma(y^*)$$
  
+ $\tau(y)D((x^*)^2) + \tau(x^2)D(y^*)$ . Using this in the last equation, we arrive at  
 $D(x(y+y^*)x^*) = -A(x)\sigma(y^*) - \tau(y)A(x^*) + D(x)\sigma(y)\sigma(x^*)$   
+ $D(x)\sigma(y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)\tau(y^*)D(x^*)$   
+ $\tau(x)D(y)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)\tau(y)D(x^*)$ .

We can write the last equation such as

$$D(x(y+y^*)x^*) = -A(x)\sigma(y^*) - \tau(y)A(x^*) + D(x)\sigma(y+y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)\tau(y+y^*)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y+y^*)\sigma(x^*).$$
(2.3)

Replacing  $y - y^*$  by y in (2.3), we get

$$-A(x)\sigma(y^* - y) - \tau(y - y^*)A(x^*) = 0,$$

and so

$$A(x)\sigma(y^{*}) - A(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(y)A(x^{*}) - \tau(y^{*})A(x^{*}) = 0.$$

Using  $A(x) + A(x^*) = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$  in the last equation, we arrive at

$$A(x)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(y^*)A(x) = A(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(y)A(x), \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$
(2.4)

Now, writting  $k \in K$  by y in (2.4), we have

$$-A(x)\sigma(k) - \tau(k)A(x) = A(x)\sigma(k) + \tau(k)A(x),$$

and so

$$2(A(x)\sigma(k) + \tau(k)A(x)) = 0.$$

Since R is 2-torsion free ring, we get

$$A(x)\sigma(k) + \tau(k)A(x) = 0, \text{ for all } k \in K, x \in R.$$
(2.5)

Multipliying (2.5) from the right by  $\sigma(t), t \in K$  and using (2.5), we obtain that

$$[A(x), kt]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0,$$

and so

$$[A(x), K^2]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0.$$
(2.6)

We know that  $K^2$  is a Lie ideal of R by Lemma 4. So, in view of Lemma 2, we have either  $K^2 \subset Z$  or  $[R, R] \subset K^2$ . If  $K^2 \subset Z$ , then R is  $S_4$  ring by Lemma 6. Since R is  $S_4$  free, we have  $[R, R] \subset K^2$ . Also, by Lemma 3 and (2.6), we conclude that

$$[A(x), R]_{\sigma, \tau} = (0).$$

Hence we obtain that  $A(x) \in C_{\sigma,\tau}$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Returning (2.5) and using  $A(x) \in C_{\sigma,\tau}$ , we arrive at

$$2A(x)\sigma(k) = 0$$
, for all  $k \in K, x \in R$ ,

and so

$$\sigma^{-1}(A(x))K^2 = (0), \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Using  $[R, R] \subset K^2$  and Lemma 3, we have  $\sigma^{-1}(A(x))R = (0)$ , and so A(x) = (0), for all  $x \in R$  by the semiprimeness of R.

$$D(x^2) = D(x)\sigma(x) + \tau(x)D(x)$$
, for all  $x \in R$ .

Thus we obtain that *D* is a Jordan  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R*, and so *D* is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R* by Lemma 7.

**Theorem 2.** Let R be a 2-torsion free prime \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $D : R \to R$  such that

$$D(xx^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Then D is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R or R is S<sub>4</sub> ring.

*Proof.* Using the same methods in the proof of Theorem 1, we have

$$A(x)\sigma(k) + \tau(k)A(x) = 0, \text{ for all } k \in K, x \in R.$$

$$(2.7)$$

Multipliying (2.7) from the right by  $\sigma(t), t \in K$  and using (2.5), we obtain that

$$[A(x), kt]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0,$$

and so

$$[A(x), K^2]_{\sigma,\tau} = (0).$$

This yields that  $d_{A(x)}(K^2) = (0)$ , where  $d_{A(x)}: R \to R$ ,  $d_{A(x)}(y) = [A(x), y]_{\sigma,\tau}$  is an inner  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R. Since  $K^2$  is a Lie ideal of R, we have  $K^2 \subset Z$  or  $d_{A(x)} = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$  by Lemma 10. In the first case, R is  $S_4$  ring by Lemma 6. So, we get  $d_{A(x)} = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Hence we obtain that  $A(x) \in C_{\sigma,\tau}$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Returning (2.7) and using  $A(x) \in C_{\sigma,\tau}$ , we get  $2A(x)\sigma(k) = 0$ , and so  $A(x)\sigma(ktw) = 0$ , for all  $k, t, w \in K, x \in R$ . Hence  $\sigma^{-1}(A(x))K^2\sigma^{-1}(w) = 0$ , for all  $w \in K, x \in R$ . By Lemma 9, we have A(x) = 0, for all  $x \in R$  or K = (0). If K = (0), then  $K^2 \subset Z$ , and so R is  $S_4$  ring by Lemma 6. So, we get A(x) = 0, for all  $x \in R$ . That is

$$D(x^2) = D(x)\sigma(x) + \tau(x)D(x)$$
, for all  $x \in R$ .

Thus we obtain that *D* is a Jordan  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R*, and so *D* is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of *R* by Lemma 7.

The following theorem extends [7, Theorem 2.1] to generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations of *R*.

**Theorem 3.** Let R be a semiprime 2-torsion free \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $G : R \to R$  related with some  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation D such that

$$G(xx^*) = G(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R.$$
(2.8)

Then G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R.

*Proof.* A linearization of (2.8) yields that

 $G(xx^* + xy^* + yx^* + yy^*) = G(x + y)\sigma(x^* + y^*) + \tau(x + y)D(x^* + y^*),$ for all  $x, y \in R$ . Using G is an additive mapping and (2.8), we arrive at

 $G(xy^* + yx^*) = G(y)\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(y)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*).$  (2.9) Substituting x\* for y in (2.9), we get

$$G(x^{2} + (x^{*})^{2}) = G(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + G(x)\sigma(x) + \tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(x),$$

and so

$$G(x^{2}) - G(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x) + G((x^{*})^{2}) - G(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) - \tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) = 0.$$

This relation reduces to

$$A(x) + A(x^*) = 0$$
, for all  $x \in R$ 

where A(x) stands for  $A(x) = G(x^2) - G(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x)$ . Replacing y by  $xy^* + yx^*$  in (2.9), we obtain that

$$G(x(xy^* + yx^*)^* + (xy^* + yx^*)x^*) = G(x)\sigma((xy^* + yx^*)^*) + G(xy^* + yx^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(xy^* + yx^*)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D((xy^* + yx^*)^*),$$

and so

$$G(x(yx^* + xy^*) + (xy^* + yx^*)x^*) = G(xy^* + yx^*)\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(yx^* + xy^*) + \tau(xy^* + yx^*)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(yx^* + xy^*).$$

Using (2.9) and D is  $(\sigma, \tau)$  –derivation of R, we have

$$G(xyx^* + x^2y^* + xy^*x^* + y(x^*)^2) = (G(y)\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(y)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*))\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(yx^* + xy^*) + \tau(xy^* + yx^*)D(x^*) + \tau(x)(D(y)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(y)D(x^*) + D(x)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*).$$

Again using

$$G(x^2y^* + y(x^2)^*) = G(y)\sigma(x^2)^* + G(x^2)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(y)D((x^*)^2) + \tau(x^2)D(y^*)$$
  
in the last equation, we arrive at

$$\begin{split} G(x(y+y^*)x^*) &= -G(x^2)\sigma(y^*) + G(x)\sigma(y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y^*)\sigma(x^*) \\ &+ G(x)\sigma(y)\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(x)\sigma(y^*) + \tau(x)\tau(y^*)D(x^*) \\ &+ \tau(x)D(y)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)\tau(y)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x)\sigma(y^*), \end{split}$$

and so

$$G(x(y+y^*)x^*) = -A(x)\sigma(y^*) + G(x)\sigma(y+y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D((y+y^*)x^*).$$
(2.10)

Replacing  $y - y^*$  by y in (2.10), we get

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$$A(x)\sigma(y) = A(x)\sigma(y^*),$$

and so

$$^{-1}(A(x))y = \sigma^{-1}(A(x))y^*$$
, for all  $x, y \in R$ .

By Lemma 1 and  $\sigma$  is an automorphism of R, we have  $A(x) \in Z$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Now, writing  $y^*$  by y in (2.9), we have

$$G(xy + y^*x^*) = G(y^*)\sigma(x^*) + G(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(y^*)D(x^*) + \tau(x)D(y).$$
(2.11)

Taking xy instead of y in (2.11), we conclude that

$$G(x^{2}y + y^{*}(x^{*})^{2}) = G(y^{*}x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + G(x)\sigma(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(y^{*})\tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(x)D(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)\tau(x)D(y).$$
(2.12)

Replacing  $x^2$  by x in (2.11), we get

$$G(x^{2}y + y^{*}(x^{*})^{2}) = G(y^{*})\sigma((x^{*})^{2}) + G(x^{2})\sigma(y) + \tau(y^{*})D(x^{*})\sigma(x^{*}) + \tau(y^{*})\tau(x^{*})D(x^{*}) + \tau(x)\tau(x)D(y).$$
(2.13)

Comparing (2.12) and (2.13), we obtain that

$$A(x)\sigma(y) + (G(y^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(y^*)D(x^*) - G(y^*x^*)\sigma(x^*)) = 0.$$

Replacing y by x in this equation, we get

$$A(x)\sigma(x) + (G(x^*)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x^*)D(x^*) - G(x^*x^*)\sigma(x^*)) = 0,$$

and so

$$A(x)\sigma(x) - A(x^*)\sigma(x^*) = 0.$$

Using  $A(x) + A(x^*) = 0$ , we arrive at

$$A(x)\sigma(x+x^{*}) = 0$$
 (2.14)

Returning  $A(x)\sigma(y) = A(x)\sigma(y^*)$  and writing x by y in this equation, we have

$$A(x)\sigma(x-x^{*}) = 0.$$
 (2.15)

Combining (2.14) and (2.15), we arrive at  $A(x)\sigma(x) = 0$ , and so  $\sigma(x)A(x) = 0$ . A linearization of this equation yields that

$$A(x+y)\sigma(x+y) = 0,$$

and so

$$(G(x^2) - G(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x) + G(xy + yx) - G(x)\sigma(y) - G(y)\sigma(x) + G(y^2) - G(y)\sigma(y) - \tau(y)D(y) - \tau(x)D(y) - \tau(y)D(x))\sigma(x + y) = 0.$$
  
Defining  $B(x, y) = G(xy + yx) - G(x)\sigma(y) - G(y)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(y) - \tau(y)D(x)$ ,  
we arrive at

$$(A(x) + B(x, y) + A(y))\sigma(x + y) = 0.$$

Expanding this equation and using  $A(x)\sigma(x) = 0$ , we have

$$B(x, y)\sigma(x) + A(y)\sigma(x) + A(x)\sigma(y) + B(x, y)\sigma(y) = 0.$$
 (2.16)

Taking -x instead of x in (2.16) and using A(-x) = A(x), B(-x, y) = -B(x, y), we conclude that

$$B(x,y)\sigma(x) - A(y)\sigma(x) + A(x)\sigma(y) - B(x,y)\sigma(y) = 0.$$
 (2.17)

Adding (2.16) and (2.17), we obtain that

$$2B(x, y)\sigma(x) + 2A(x)\sigma(y) = 0.$$

Since *R* is 2-torsion free ring, we get  $B(x, y)\sigma(x) + A(x)\sigma(y) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Multipliving this equation with A(x) from the right and using  $\sigma(x)A(x) = 0$ , we find that

 $A(x)\sigma(y)A(x) = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Since *R* is semiprime ring, we have A(x) = 0, and so

$$G(x^2) = G(x)\sigma(x) + \tau(x)D(x)$$
, for all  $x \in R$ .

Hence G is a generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Jordan derivation of R.

Now, let assume T = G - D. We get

$$T(x^2) = (G - D)(x^2) = G(x)\sigma(x) + \tau(x)D(x) - D(x)\sigma(x) - \tau(x)D(x)$$
$$= G(x)\sigma(x) - D(x)\sigma(x)$$
$$= (G - D)(x)\sigma(x) = T(x)\sigma(x).$$

Hence we find that T is a Jordan  $\sigma$ -centralizer. In view of Lemma 8, T is left  $\sigma$ -centralizer. On the other hand, since G = D + T, we have

$$G(xy) = (D+T)(xy) = D(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)D(y) + T(x)\sigma(y)$$
$$= (D+T)(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)D(y),$$

and so

$$G(xy) = G(x)\sigma(y) + \tau(x)D(y)$$
, for all  $x, y \in R$ 

Hence we obtain that G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$  –derivation of R.

**Corollary 1.** Let R be a 2-torsion free simple \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $G : R \to R$  related with some additive mapping D such that

$$D(xx^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R$$

and

$$G(xx^*) = G(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*)$$
, for all  $x \in R$ .

Then G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$  –derivation of R or R is S<sub>4</sub> ring.

*Proof.* By Theorem 1, we find that D is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R or R is  $S_4$  ring. Hence G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R by Theorem 3.

**Corollary 2.** Let R be a 2-torsion free prime \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $G : R \to R$  related with some additive mapping D such that

 $D(xx^*) = D(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R$ 

and

$$G(xx^*) = G(x)\sigma(x^*) + \tau(x)D(x^*), \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Then G is generalized  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of R or R is S<sub>4</sub> ring.

In particular, if we take D = 0 in Theorem 3, we have the following corollary which is in [15].

**Corollary 3.** Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime \*-ring. Suppose there exists an additive mapping  $T : R \to R$  an additive mapping such that

$$T(xx^*) = T(x)\sigma(x^*)$$
, for all  $x \in R$ .

Then T is left  $\sigma$ -centralizer.

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