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Abstract. Let *R* be a prime ring with a characteristic not equal to two, σ, τ be automorphisms of *R*, and *d* be a nonzero derivation of *R* commuting with σ and τ . It is proved that for any (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal *U* of *R*: (1) if $d(U) \subseteq Z$, then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$, (2) if $d^2(U) = 0$, then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$, (3) if char $R \neq 2, 3, d(U) \subseteq U$ and $d^2(U) \subseteq Z$, then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

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1. Introduction

Let R be a ring and σ, τ be two mappings from R into itself. We write [x, y], $[x, y]_{\sigma,\tau}$ for xy - yx and $x\sigma(y) - \tau(y)x$, respectively, and make extensive use of basic commutator identities: (xy, z) = x[y, z] + (x, z)y = x(y, z) - [x, z]y, $[xy, z]_{\sigma,\tau} = x[y, z]_{\sigma,\tau} + [x, \tau(z)]y = x[y, \sigma(z)] + [x, z]_{\sigma,\tau}y$.

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 derivation D is *inner* if there exists an $a \in R$ such that D(x) = [a, x] holds for all $x \in R$.

For subsets $A, B \subset R$, let [A, B] $([A, B]_{\sigma,\tau})$ be the additive subgroup generated by all [a, b] $([a, b]_{\sigma,\tau})$ for all $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. We recall that in a *Lie ideal*, *L* is an additive subgroup of R such that $[R, L] \subset L$. We first introduce the generalized Lie ideal in [6] as follows. Let U be an additive subgroup of R, $\sigma, \tau : R \to R$ two mappings. Then (i) U is a (σ, τ) -right Lie ideal of R if $[U, R]_{\sigma, \tau} \subset U$. (ii) U is a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R if $[R, U]_{\sigma, \tau} \subset U$. (iii) U is both a (σ, τ) -right Lie ideal and (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R then U is a (σ, τ) -Lie ideal of R. Every Lie ideal of R is a (1, 1)-left Lie ideal of R, where $1 : R \to R$ is the identity map. As an example, let Ibe the set of integers,

$$R = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} x & y \\ z & t \end{array} \right) \mid x, y, z, t \in I \right\},$$
$$U = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} x & y \\ 0 & x \end{array} \right) \mid x, y \in I \right\} \subset R,$$

and $\sigma, \tau : R \to R$ the mappings defined by $\tau(x) = axa$, $\sigma(x) = bxb^{-1}$, where $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in R$. Then U is a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal but not a Lie ideal of R. Some algebraic properties of (σ, τ) -Lie ideals are considered in [2], [3] and [6], where further references can be found.

Let R be a prime ring with a characteristic not equal to two, $d: R \to R$ a nonzero derivation of R and U a Lie ideal of R. In [5] Bergen at all state that if $d^2(U) = 0$, then $U \subset Z$. Lee and Lee extended this result that if $d^2(U) \subset Z$, then $U \subset Z$ in [4]. Let d be a nonzero derivation such that $\sigma d = d\sigma, \tau d = d\tau$ and U a (σ, τ) -Lie ideal of R. Aydın and Soytürk [3] proved that if $d^2(U) = 0$, then $U \subset Z$. In the present paper, we generalize this result on (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. Furthermore, we shall extend this theorem by proving that $d^2(U) \subset Z$ then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ in the case of a characteristic not equal to two and three.

Throughout, R will represent a prime ring with a characteristic not equal to 2 with automorphisms σ, τ and non-zero derivation d such that $\sigma d = d\sigma, \tau d = d\tau$ and Z the center of R, U a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. Further, we often use the relations:

 $[xy, z]_{\sigma, \tau} = x[y, z]_{\sigma, \tau} + [x, \tau(z)]y = x[y, \sigma(z)] + [x, z]_{\sigma, \tau}y.$

2. Results

Lemma 1. Let U a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. $d^2(U) = 0$ and $d(U) \subset Z$ then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Proof. If $U \subset Z$, then the proof is obvious. So, we assume that $U \not\subset Z$. For any $u \in U$ and $x \in R$, $\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} = [\tau(u)x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} + [\tau(u), \tau(u)]x \in U$. By hypothesis, $0 = d^2(\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = d(d(\tau(u))[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} + \tau(u)d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau})) = 2d(\tau(u))d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau})$. Since $charR \neq 2$, we obtain $d(\tau(u))d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0$, for all $x \in R, u \in U$. Because of $d(U) \subset Z$ we have,

$$d(u) = 0 \qquad or \qquad d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0 \qquad \forall x \in R, u \in U.$$
(2.1)

Assume $d(u) \neq 0$. Then $d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0$, for all $x \in R$. Writing $x\sigma(u)$ by x in this equation, $0 = d([x\sigma(u), u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}\sigma(u)) = d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau})\sigma(u) + [x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}d(\sigma(u))$

we obtain

$$[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} d(\sigma(u)) = 0 \qquad \forall x \in R.$$
(2.2)

Substituting $xy, y \in R$ for x in (2.2), we have $0 = [xy, u]_{\sigma,\tau} d(\sigma(u)) = x[y, u]_{\sigma,\tau} d(\sigma(u)) + [x, \tau(u)]y d(\sigma(u))$ and so,

$$R, \tau(u)]Rd(\sigma(u)) = 0.$$

By primeness of R, we obtain $u \in Z$. Thus, if we return to (2.1), then we get

$$d(u) = 0 \qquad or \qquad u \in Z.$$

Now, let us define the subsets $L = \{u \in U \mid u \in Z\}$ and $K = \{u \in U \mid d(u) = 0\}$. Clearly, each L and K is an additive subgroup of U. Moreover, U is the set-theoretic union of L and K. But a group cannot be the set-theoretic union of two proper subgroups, hence L = U or K = U. In the former case, $U \subset Z$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, it must be d(U) = 0 and so,

$$0 = d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = [d(x), u]_{\sigma, \tau} \quad \text{for all } x \in R, \ u \in U.$$

By [7, Lemma 1], we obtain $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in \mathbb{Z}$, for all $u \in U$. Hence the proof is complete.

Theorem 1. Let U a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. If $d(U) \subset Z$ then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Proof. Assume that $U \not\subset Z$. For any $x, y \in R$ and $u, v \in U$, by hypothesis, $d([d(v)x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = d(d(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + [d(v), \tau(u)]x) = d(d(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) \in Z$ and so,

$$d^{2}(v)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} + d(v)d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) \in Z$$

Since Z is a subring of R and $d(U) \subset Z$, we have

$$d^{2}(v)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} \in Z \qquad \forall x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

$$(2.3)$$

Replacing x by $x\sigma(u), u \in U$ in (2.3) and applying the above argument, we obtain

$$d^2(v)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}\sigma(u) \in Z \qquad \forall x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Since $d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and R is prime ring, we get

$$d^2(v)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0 \qquad or \qquad u \in Z.$$

If $d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$ for all $x \in R$. In this equation by taking $xy, y \in R$ for x and using this equation, we have $0 = d^2(v)[xy, u]_{\sigma,\tau} = d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}y + d^2(v)x[y, \sigma(u)] = d^2(v)x[y, \sigma(u)]$. By the primeness of R, it implies that $d^2(U) = 0$ or $U \subset Z$. In the former case, we get $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ by Lemma 1. Thus, we conclude that $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Now, suppose that U is a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. Since for all $u, v \in U$ and $x \in R$,

$$[x, d(u) + v]_{\sigma,\tau} = [x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} + [x, v]_{\sigma,\tau}$$

= $[x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} + [d(x), u]_{\sigma,\tau} - [d(x), u]_{\sigma,\tau} + [x, v]_{\sigma,\tau}$
= $d([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}) - [d(x), u]_{\sigma,\tau} + [x, v]_{\sigma,\tau} \in d(U) + U.$

We conclude that d(U) + U is a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. Furthermore, if $d^2(U) = 0$ then $d(d(U) + U) \subset d(U) \subset d(U) + U$ and $d^2(d(U) + U) = 0$. Therefore without losing generality, we may assume that if U is a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of such that $d^2(U) = 0$, then $d(U) \subset U$.

Lemma 2. Let U a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. $d^2(U) = 0$ and a be an element of R. If $ad([R, U]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0$, then a = 0 or $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Proof. For $x[\sigma(u), \sigma(u)] + [x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}\sigma(u) = [x\sigma(u), u]_{\sigma,\tau} \in [R, U]_{\sigma,\tau}$ by hypothesis $0 = ad([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}\sigma(u)) = ad([x, u]_{\sigma,\tau})\sigma(u) + a[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}d(\sigma(u))$ and so

$$a[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} d(\sigma(u)) = 0, \forall x \in R, u \in U.$$

$$(2.4)$$

Since $d^2(U) = 0$, from the above remark we may assume $d(U) \subset U$. So, replacing $u + d(v), v \in U$ by u in (2.4)

$$0 = a[x, u + d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} d(\sigma(u + d(v)))$$

Expanding the last equation and using $d^2(U) = 0, \sigma d = d\sigma$ and (2.4), we get $a[x, d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} d(\sigma(u)) = 0$, for all $u, v \in U, x \in R$. That is,

$$\sigma^{-1}(a[x, d(v)]_{\sigma, \tau})d(U) = 0.$$

By [1, Theorem 2] we have $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ or $a[x, d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$. Replacing $xy, y \in R$ in the last equation, we obtain $ax[y, \sigma(d(v)] = 0$. Since R is a prime ring, we conclude a = 0 or $d(U) \subset Z$. It gives $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ from Theorem 1. This completes the proof.

Theorem 2. Let U a (σ, τ) -left Lie ideal of R. If $d^2(U) = 0$ then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Proof. Assume that $U \not\subseteq Z$. There exists a $u_0 \in U$ such that

$$\sigma(u_0) + \tau(u_0) \notin Z. \tag{2.5}$$

For $[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma(u) \in U$,

$$0 = d^2([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma(u))$$

= $d^2([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})\sigma(u) + 2d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})d(\sigma(u)) + [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}d^2(\sigma(u)).$

In view of the hypothesis and $charR \neq 2$, we have

$$d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})d(\sigma(u)) = 0, \forall x \in R, u \in U.$$
(2.6)

Similarly for $\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in U$, we get

$$d(\tau(u))d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R, u \in U.$$

$$(2.7)$$

By hypothesis $0 = d^2([u, v]_{\sigma, \tau}) = [d^2(u), v]_{\sigma, \tau} + 2[d(u), d(v)]_{\sigma, \tau} + [u, d^2(v)]_{\sigma, \tau}$. Using $d^2(U) = 0$ and $char R \neq 2$, we obtain

$$[d(u), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0, \forall u, v \in U,$$

That is

$$d(u)\sigma(d(v)) = \tau(d(v))d(u), \forall u, v \in U.$$
(2.8)

Now, let us linearize (2.7) on u = u + v and use (2.8), then we have

$$l(\tau(u))d([x,v]_{\sigma,\tau} + d(\tau(v))d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R, u, v \in U.$$
(2.9)

Multiply on the right by $d(\sigma(u))$ and use (2.8), (2.6), we obtain

$$(d(\tau(u)))^2 d([x,v]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

The last equation reduces to $(d(\tau(U)))^2 d([R, U]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0$. By Lemma 2 and (2.5), we get $(d(U))^2 = 0$. Otherwise, writing d(v) for v in (2.9) and using $d\tau = \tau d$, we see that

$$d(U)\tau^{-1}([d(x), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R, v \in U$$

This means from [1, Theorem 2] $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ or $[d(x), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$. By our assumption, we get $[d(x), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$, for all $x \in R, v \in U$. If we write $xd(u), u \in U$ for x in the last equation, we have $0 = [d(xd(u), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = [d(x)d(u), d(v)]_{\sigma,\tau} = [d(x), \tau(d(v)]d(u)$ and so,

$$[d(R), \tau(d(U))]d(U) = 0$$

From the above argument, we have $d(U) \subset Z$ by [1, Theorem 2]. That is $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ from Theorem 1.

Theorem 3. Let $U \ a \ (\sigma, \tau)$ -left Lie ideal of R and $char R \neq 2, 3$. If $d(U) \subset U$ and $d^2(U) \subset Z$, then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$.

Proof. If $U \subset Z$, then the proof of the theorem is obvious. So, we assume that $U \nsubseteq Z$. That is,

$$\sigma(u_0) + \tau(u_0) \notin Z, \ \exists u_0 \in U.$$

$$(2.10)$$

Suppose that d(Z) = 0. Thus, we have

$$d^{3}(U) = d(d^{2}(U)) \subset d(Z) = 0.$$

Now, for $\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in U$, where $x \in R$ and $u \in U$,

$$0 = d^{3}(\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})$$

= $3(d^{2}(\tau(u))d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) + d(\tau(u))d^{2}([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})$

Since $charR \neq 3$, we get

$$d^{2}(\tau(u))d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) + d(\tau(u))d^{2}([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0.$$

Taking d(u) by u and using $\tau d = d\tau$, $d^3(U) = 0$, we obtain

$$d^{2}(\tau(u))d^{2}([x,d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0$$

Since $d^2(U) \subset Z$, the last equation gives us

$$d^{2}(u) = 0$$
 or $d^{2}([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0.$

Let us define $K = \{u \in U \mid d^2(u) = 0\}$ and $L = \{u \in U \mid d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R\}$. Clearly, both K and L are additive subgroups of U. Moreover, U is the set-theoretic union of K and L. But a group cannot be the set-theoretic union of two proper subgroups, hence K = U or L = U. If K = U then $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ by Theorem 2 and it contradicts (2.10). So, we get L = U. That is,

$$d^{2}([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R, u \in U.$$
(2.11)

In this equation replace x by $\tau(d(u))x, u \in U, x \in R$, then we get

$$0 = d^{2}(\tau(d(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau})$$

= $\tau(d^{3}(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} + 2\tau(d^{2}(u))d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau}) + \tau(d(u))d^{2}([x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau}).$

Using (2.11) and $d^3(U) = 0$, $charR \neq 2$, we obtain $\tau(d^2(u))d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau}) = 0$. Since $d^2(U) \subset Z$, we have

$$d^{2}(u) = 0$$
 or $d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0$

Let $K = \{u \in U \mid d^2(u) = 0\}$ and $L = \{u \in U \mid d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R\}$. Each of K and L is an additive subgroup of U such that $U = K \cup L$. The above trick gives us U = K or U = L. In the former case, $d^2(U) = 0$, which forces $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$ by Theorem 2, which is a contradiction. Thus U = L and hence $d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0$ for all $u \in U$. Replacing $\tau(d(u))x, u \in U, x \in R$ by x we have $\tau(d^2(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0$. Since $d^2(U) \subset Z$, we obtain

$$d^{2}(u) = 0$$
 or $[x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$ for all $x \in R$. (2.12)

Again applying the above trick, we obtain $[x, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} = 0$. Taking $xy, y \in R$ in place of x and using (2.12), we have

$$0 = [xy, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} = x[y, d(u)]_{\sigma,\tau} + [x, \sigma(d(u))]y = [x, \sigma(d(u))]y.$$

Since R is a prime ring, we obtain $d(U) \subset Z$. By Theorem 1, it gives $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$, which is a contradiction. Thus, in the case of d(Z) = 0 the proof is completed.

Now, we would like to settle the problem when d(Z) is different from zero. There is a non-zero $d(\alpha) \in d(Z)$ such that $\alpha \in Z$. In view of the hypothesis for $[\alpha x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} = \alpha[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} \in U$,

$$d^{2}(\alpha[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) = d^{2}(\alpha)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) + \alpha d^{2}([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since $d^2(U) \subset Z$, the third term is in the center of R. So, we get

$$d^{2}(\alpha)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}) \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, u \in U.$$

$$(2.13)$$

Replace x by $x\alpha$ in (2.13) to get

$$(d^{2}(\alpha)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}))\alpha + 2d(\alpha)[x,u]_{\sigma,\tau}d(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

However, in view of (2.13) and $\alpha \in Z$, this equation reduces to $2d(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau}d(\alpha) \in Z$. Since R is a prime ring, $charR \neq 2$ and $0 \neq d(\alpha) \in Z$, we have $[x, u]_{\sigma,\tau} \in Z$ for all $x \in R, u \in U$. By [8, Lemma 1], we obtain $\sigma(u) + \tau(u) \in Z$, for all $u \in U$. This completes the proof.

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