



## On Symmetric Generalized bi-semiderivations of Prime Rings

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**ABSTRACT:** In the present note, we inaugurate the idea of symmetric generalized bi-semiderivation on rings and prove some classical commutativity results for generalized bi-semiderivation. Moreover, our main objective is to extend the main theorem in [7] for biderivation to the case of symmetric generalized bi-semiderivation on prime ring.

**Key Words:** Prime ring, homomorphism, bi-derivation, generalized bi-semiderivation.

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### 1. Introduction

The idea of symmetric bi-derivations inaugurated by Maksa [3]. A mapping  $D : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is said to be symmetric if  $D(a, b) = D(b, a)$  for all  $a, b \in R$ . A mapping  $D : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is called biadditive if it is additive in both slots. Now we introduce the concept of symmetric biderivations as follows: A biadditive mapping  $D : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is called a biderivation if for every  $a \in R$ , the map  $b \mapsto D(a, b)$  as well as for every  $b \in R$ , the map  $a \mapsto D(a, b)$  is a derivation of  $R$ . For ideational reading in the related matter one can turn to [3]. For a symmetric biadditive mapping  $D$ , a map  $h : R \rightarrow R$  defined as  $h(a) = D(a, a)$ , for every  $a$  in  $R$  is called the trace of  $D$ .

Bergen [5] defined the concept of semiderivations of a ring  $R$ . An additive mapping  $f : R \rightarrow R$  is called a semiderivation if there exists a function  $g : R \rightarrow R$  such that  $f(ab) = f(a)g(b) + af(b) = f(a)b + g(a)f(b)$  and  $f(g(a)) = g(f(a))$  for each  $a, b \in R$ . In case  $g$  is an identity map of  $R$ ; then all semiderivations associated with  $g$  are merely ordinary derivations. On the other hand, if  $g$  is a homomorphism of  $R$  such that  $g \neq 1$ ; then  $f = g - 1$  is a semiderivation which is not a derivation. In case  $R$  is prime and  $f \neq 0$ ; it has been shown by Chang [6] that  $g$  must necessarily be a ring endomorphism. Let  $f$  be a semiderivation of  $R$ , associated with an endomorphism  $g$ . The additive map  $F$  on  $R$  is a generalized semiderivation of  $R$  if  $F(ab) = F(a)b + g(a)f(b) = F(a)g(b) + af(b)$  and  $F(g) = g(F)$ , for every  $a, b$  in  $R$ . Of course any semiderivation is a generalized semiderivation. Moreover, if  $g$  is the identity map of  $R$ , then all generalized semiderivations associated with  $g$  are merely generalized derivations of  $R$ . The most natural example of generalized semiderivation, we consider a semiderivation  $f$  on a ring  $R$  associated with a function  $g$  and define the two map as  $F(a) = f(a) - a$  and  $H(a) = f(a) + a$ ,  $a$  in  $R$ . With such construction the map  $F$  and  $H$  are generalized semiderivations on  $R$  with associated function  $g$ .

Following [8], a symmetric bi-additive function  $\vartheta : R \times R \rightarrow R$  is called a symmetric bi-semiderivation associated with a function  $f : R \rightarrow R$  (or simply a symmetric bi-semiderivation of a ring  $R$ ) if

$$\vartheta(ab, c) = \vartheta(a, c)f(b) + a\vartheta(b, c) = \vartheta(a, c)b + f(a)\vartheta(b, c)$$

$$\vartheta(a, bc) = \vartheta(a, b)f(c) + b\vartheta(a, c) = \vartheta(a, b)c + f(b)\vartheta(a, c)$$

and  $\vartheta(f) = f(\vartheta)$  for all  $a, b, c \in R$ .

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**Example 1.1.** Consider  $R$  is a commutative ring and  $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b \in R \right\}$  will be a ring under matrix addition and multiplication. Define  $\vartheta : S \times S \rightarrow S$  such that  $\vartheta \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c & d \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & bd \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $f : S \rightarrow S$  by  $f \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\vartheta$  represents bi-semiderivation on  $S$  with associated function  $f$ .

Motivated by the above explanation, we introduce the concept of generalized bi-semiderivation on ring as follows: Consider the maps  $\delta, \vartheta : R \times R \rightarrow R$  and  $f : R \rightarrow R$ . Now define if for every  $a \in R$ ,  $b \mapsto \delta(a, b)$  and for every  $b \in R$ ,  $a \mapsto \delta(a, b)$  are generalized semi-derivation of  $R$  with associated function  $\vartheta, f$  (defined as above), and satisfying  $\delta(f) = f(\delta)$ , then  $\delta$  will be called generalized bi-semiderivation on  $R$ . More precisely, we say that  $\delta, \vartheta, f$  satisfying the following:

1.  $\delta(ab, c) = \delta(a, c)f(b) + a\vartheta(b, c) = \delta(a, c)b + f(a)\vartheta(b, c)$
2.  $\delta(a, bc) = \delta(a, b)f(c) + b\vartheta(a, c) = \delta(a, b)c + f(b)\vartheta(a, c)$
3.  $f(\delta) = \delta(f)$  for every  $a, b, c \in R$ .

**Example 1.2.** Consider the set  $R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in 2\mathbb{Z}_8 \right\}$ . Then  $R$  represents a ring under matrix addition and matrix multiplication. Define  $\delta, \vartheta : R \times R \rightarrow R$  such that

$$\delta \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} e & k \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & bk \\ cg & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\vartheta \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} e & k \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & dh \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $f : R \rightarrow R$  by  $f \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore,  $\delta$  is a generalized bi-semiderivation with associated function  $\vartheta$  and  $f$  on  $R$ . In above defined concept of generalized bi-semiderivation, we have the following observations:

1.  $\delta$  will be considered as bi-semiderivation, if we assume  $\delta = \vartheta$ .
2. If we consider  $f$  an identity map, then  $\delta$  acting as generalized biderivation on  $R$  with associated map  $\vartheta$ .
3. If we take  $f$  an identity map and  $\delta = \vartheta$ , then  $\delta$  acting as biderivation.
4. Construct a new function  $F(a, x) = \delta(a, x)$  and  $f = \text{identity}$ , for some fixed  $a$  and for all  $x$  in  $R$ , then  $F$  behaves as generalized derivation with associated derivation  $\vartheta(a, x)$ .

It is obvious that the definition of generalized bi-semiderivations unifies the notions of bi-semiderivation and generalized bi-derivation and covers the concepts of derivations, generalized derivations, left (right) centralizers, and semiderivations. In this paper, we prove some theorems on symmetric generalized bi-semiderivation of a ring that is the extension of Vukman's results which states that: Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic not two and three. If  $D_1, D_2$  are the symmetric biderivations of  $R$  with trace  $h_1, h_2$ , respectively, such that  $h_1(a)h_2(a) = 0$  for every  $a$  in  $R$ , then either  $D_1 = 0$  or  $D_2 = 0$ . In this note, we obtain some commutativity results associated with symmetric generalized bi-semiderivations in the setting of prime ring, that is the extension of some theorems proved in [2]. For more related literature reader can look inside [1,3,5,7,8] and the references therein.

## 2. Main results

Throughout we consider  $f$  a surjective function on a prime ring  $R$ . Next, we use the characteristic restriction without mentioning it, wherever, it is needed. To prove our main theorems, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\delta$  be a generalized bi-semiderivation with associated bi-semiderivation  $\vartheta$  and associated function  $f$  on  $R$ . If  $\delta \neq 0$ , then  $f$  acting as a homomorphism on  $R$ .*

**Proof:** We have by the definition of  $\delta$ ,

$$\delta(u(a+b), c) = \delta(u, c)f(a+b) + w\vartheta((a+b), c) = \delta(u, c)f(a+b) + w\vartheta(a, c) + w\vartheta(b, c).$$

Reword the left hand side of above equation as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(ua+ub, c) &= \delta(ua, c) + \delta(ub, c) = \delta(u, c)f(a) + w\vartheta(a, c) + \delta(u, c)f(b) + w\vartheta(b, c) \\ &= \delta(u, c)\{f(a) + f(b)\} + w\vartheta(a, c) + w\vartheta(b, c). \end{aligned}$$

Now comparing the above two expansion of  $\delta(u(a+b), c)$  to find

$$\delta(u, c)f(a+b) = \delta(u, c)\{f(a) + f(b)\}$$

and hence we can conclude  $f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b)$ . Since  $\delta \neq 0$  is a generalized bi-semiderivation, we have

$$\delta(w(ab), c) = \delta(w, c)f(ab) + wD(ab, c)f(ab) + wD(a, c)f(b) + waD(b, c).$$

Also we express above relation as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(wab, c) &= \delta(wa, c)f(b) + waD(b, c) \\ \delta(w, c)f(a)f(b) + wD(a, c)f(b) + waD(b, c). \end{aligned}$$

Compare the right hand side of above two expansion of  $\delta$ , we arrive at  $\delta(w, c)f(ab) = \delta(w, c)f(a)f(b)$ , for all  $a, b, c \in R$ . This implies that

$$\delta(w, c)\{f(ab) - f(a)f(b)\} = 0.$$

Given that  $\delta \neq 0$ , and hence we find  $f(ab) - f(a)f(b) = 0$ . That is  $f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $\delta$  be a generalized bi-semiderivation with associated bi-semiderivation  $\vartheta$  and associated function  $f$  on  $R$ . If for  $0 \neq \gamma \in R$ , such that  $\gamma\delta(u, v) = 0$ , then  $\vartheta = 0$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $\gamma\delta(u, v) = 0$ , for all  $u, v \in R$ , we have by replacing  $u$  by  $uw$ ,  $0 = \gamma\delta(uw, v) = \gamma\delta(u, v)f(w) + \gamma u\vartheta(w, v) = \gamma u\vartheta(w, v)$ . It is given that  $\gamma \neq 0$ , primeness implies that  $\vartheta(w, v) = 0$  for all  $w, v \in R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic not two and three. If  $\delta$  is a symmetric generalized bi-semiderivation on  $R$  with associated bi-semiderivation  $\vartheta$  and associated map  $f$  such that  $\delta(r, r) \subseteq Z(R)$ , then either  $R$  is commutative or  $\vartheta = 0$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $\delta(r, r) \subseteq Z(R)$ , we have

$$[\delta(r, r), s] = 0 \text{ for every } r, s \in R. \tag{2.1}$$

Linearizing the above equation in  $r$ , we find

$$[\delta(r, r), s] + [\delta(p, p), s] + 2[\delta(r, p), s] = 0 \text{ for every } r, p, s \in R. \tag{2.2}$$

Using characteristic condition of  $R$  and (2.1), we obtain

$$[\delta(r, p), s] = 0 \text{ for every } r, p, s \in R. \quad (2.3)$$

Put  $rt$  for  $r$  in (2.3) to get

$$\delta(r, p)[f(t), s] + r[\vartheta(t, p), s] + [r, s]\vartheta(t, p) = 0 \text{ for every } r, p, t, s \in R. \quad (2.4)$$

Substituting  $rs$  for  $r$  in (2.4) and use (2.4), we arrive at

$$\delta(s, p)f(r)[f(t), s] + s\vartheta(r, p)[f(t), s] - s\delta(r, p)[f(t), s] = 0 \text{ for every } r, p, t, s \in R. \quad (2.5)$$

This implies that

$$\{\delta(s, p)f(r) + s\vartheta(r, p) - s\delta(r, p)\}[f(t), s] = 0 \text{ for every } r, p, t, s \in R. \quad (2.6)$$

Particulary, we can get

$$s\vartheta(s, p)[t, s] = 0 \text{ for every } p, t, s \in R. \quad (2.7)$$

From the above equation we can make the subsets  $K = \{s \in R, \vartheta(s, p) = 0, \text{ for all } p \in R\}$  and  $J = \{[t, s] = 0, \text{ for every } s, t \in R\}$ . Clearly  $(K, +)$  and  $(J, +)$  are additive subgroups of  $R$ . Since a group cannot be the union of two proper subgroups. Hence primeness yields that either  $J = 0$  or  $K = 0$ . If  $J = 0$ , then  $R$  is commutative. In the second case we get  $\vartheta = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic not two and three,  $\delta_1, \delta_2$  be generalized bi-semiderivation having associated bi-semiderivation  $\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2$  and associated functions  $f_1, f_2$  on  $R$  respectively. If  $\delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(p, p) = 0$ , for all  $p \in R$ , then one of the following conditions hold:*

1.  $R$  is commutative
2.  $\vartheta_1 = 0$
3.  $\vartheta_2 = 0$ .

**Proof:** Given that

$$\delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(p, p) = 0 \text{ for every } p \in R. \quad (2.8)$$

Linearize the equation (2.8) and reuse (2.8) to find

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(t, t) &+ 2\delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(p, t) + \delta_1(t, t)\delta_2(p, p) + 2\delta_1(t, t)\delta_2(p, t) \\ &+ 2\delta_1(p, t)\delta_2(p, t) + 2\delta_1(p, t)\delta_2(t, t) \\ &+ 4\delta_1(p, t)\delta_2(p, t) = 0 \text{ for all } p, t \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Putting  $-t$  in place of  $t$  in (2.9) and subtracting from (2.9), we obtain

$$\delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(p, t) + \delta_1(t, t)\delta_2(p, t) + 2\delta_1(p, t)\delta_2(t, t) = 0 \text{ for every } p, t \in R. \quad (2.10)$$

Again linearize (2.10) in  $p$  and compare with (2.10) to get

$$\delta_1(z, z)\delta_2(p, t) + 2\delta_1(p, z)\delta_2(p, t) + \delta_1(p, p)\delta_2(z, t) + 2\delta_1(p, z)\delta_2(z, t) = 0 \text{ for every } p, t, z \in R. \quad (2.11)$$

Put  $-z$  in place of  $z$  in (2.11) and adding resulting equation with (2.11) to find

$$\delta_1(z, z)\delta_2(p, t) + 2\delta_1(p, z)\delta_2(z, t) = 0 \text{ for every } p, t, z \in R. \quad (2.12)$$

Substitute  $tr$  for  $t$  in (2.12) and apply (2.12) to obtain

$$\delta_1(z, z)t\vartheta_2(p, r) + 2\delta_1(p, z)t\vartheta_2(z, r) = 0 \text{ for every } p, t, z, r \in R. \quad (2.13)$$

In particular, we can write

$$3\delta_1(z, z)t\vartheta_2(z, r) = 0 \text{ for every } t, z, r \in R. \quad (2.14)$$

Since  $R$  is not of characteristic 3, we have

$$\delta_1(z, z)t\vartheta_2(z, r) = 0 \text{ for every } t, z, r \in R. \quad (2.15)$$

By primeness arguments, above equation splits into two cases like left hand side as first case and right hand side as second case. A simple computation with application of Theorem 2.3 in first case together with second case come to an end the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic not two and three,  $\delta$  be a generalized bi-semiderivation having associated bi-semiderivation  $\vartheta$  and associated functions  $f$  on  $R$ . If  $[\delta(b, b), \vartheta(c, c)] = 0$ , for all  $b, c \in R$ , then either  $R$  is commutative or  $\vartheta = 0$ .*

**Proof:** It is given that

$$[\delta(b, b), \vartheta(c, c)] = 0 \text{ for every } b, c \in R. \quad (2.16)$$

Linearize (2.16) to get

$$[\delta(b, b), \vartheta(c, c)] + [\delta(b, b), \vartheta(u, u)] + 2[\delta(b, b), \vartheta(c, u)] = 0 \text{ for every } b, c, u \in R. \quad (2.17)$$

In view of (2.16) and using characteristic condition, (2.17) takes the form

$$[\delta(b, b), \vartheta(c, u)] = 0 \text{ for every } b, c, u \in R. \quad (2.18)$$

Putting  $ur$  in place of  $u$  in (2.18), we obtain

$$\vartheta(c, u)[\delta(b, b), f(r)] + [\delta(b, b), u]\vartheta(c, r) = 0 \text{ for every } b, c, u, r \in R. \quad (2.19)$$

Particularly replace  $f(r)$  by  $\vartheta(p, p)$  in (2.19) to find

$$[\delta(b, b), u]\vartheta(c, r) = 0 \text{ for every } b, c, u, r \in R. \quad (2.20)$$

We can rewrite the above equation as  $[\delta(b, b), u]R\vartheta(c, r) = 0$  for every  $b, c, u, r \in R$ . Primeness of  $R$  yields that either  $[\delta(b, b), u] = 0$  or  $\vartheta(c, r) = 0$  for all  $b, c, u, r \in R$ . If we take the part  $[\delta(b, b), u] = 0$  for all  $b, u \in R$ , then we can conclude by theorem 2.3.  $\square$

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