



## Prime Weakly Standard Ring

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**ABSTRACT:** In this paper, we prove that a prime weakly standard ring is either a  $(-1,1)$  ring or a commutative ring. In general, weakly standard rings are nonassociative rings which are not  $(-1, 1)$  rings, but by applying some additional conditions we prove that these are  $(-1,1)$  rings.

**Key Words:** Weakly standard rings, Prime rings,  $(-1,1)$  rings, Right alternative rings and Commutative Rings.

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### 1. Introduction

Weakly standard rings were introduced by Sansoucic [3]. Thedy [4] proved that a simple 2-divisible nonassociative ring satisfying the identity  $((x, y, z), w) = 0$  is either commutative or associative. Kleinfeld [2] proved that the identity  $((x, y, z)v, w) = 0$  holds in accessible rings under the assumption that the rings are without nilpotent elements in the center. Without this assumption we show that the identity  $((x, y, y)v, w) = 0$  hold in prime weakly standard rings. Also, we show that all commutators are in the center of a prime weakly standard ring. Using these identities, we prove that a prime weakly standard ring is either a  $(-1,1)$  ring or a commutative ring.

### 2. Preliminaries

A nonassociative ring  $R$  [3] is said to be a weakly standard ring, if it satisfies the following identities:

$$(x, y, x) = 0. \quad (2.1)$$

$$((w, x), y, z) = 0. \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$(w, (x, y), z) = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

**Definition :** A  $(-1, 1)$  ring is a nonassociative ring in which the right alternative law  $(x, y, y) = 0$ , i.e.,  $(x, y, z) + (x, z, y) = 0$ , and  $(x, y, z) + (y, z, x) + (z, x, y) = 0$  hold.

Throughout this paper  $R$  denotes a weakly standard ring. The nucleus  $N$  of  $R$  is the set of all elements  $n$  in  $R$  such that  $(n, R, R) = (R, R, n) = (R, n, R) = 0$ . If we define  $S(x, y, z) = (x, y, z) + (y, z, x) + (z, x, y)$ , we have the following identities in any ring [1].

$$(wx, y, z) - (w, xy, z) + (w, x, yz) = w(x, y, z) + (w, x, y)z \quad (2.4)$$

$$(xy, z) - x(y, z) - (x, z)y = (x, y, z) + (z, x, y) - (x, z, y) \quad (2.5)$$

$$(xy, z) + (yz, x) + (zx, y) = S(x, y, z) \quad (2.6)$$

$$((x, y), z) + ((y, z), x) + ((z, x), y) = S(x, y, z) - S(x, z, y) \quad (2.7)$$

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Substituting  $z = x$  in (2.5), we get

$$(xy, x) + x(x, y) = 0 \quad (2.8)$$

Substituting  $w = n$  in (2.4) we obtain  $(nx, y, z) = n(x, y, z)$ .

From (2.2), we get  $((n, x), y, z) = 0$

$$(nx, y, z) = n(x, y, z) = (xn, y, z) \quad (2.9)$$

In any ring the associator ideal  $A$  is the set of all sums of elements of the form  $(R, R, R) + (R, R, R)R$ . A ring  $R$  is prime, if  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $R$  such that  $AB = 0$  then either  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ . A linearization of the flexible law yields the identity,  $(x, y, z) = -(z, y, x)$ .

### 3. Main Results

To prove the result first we prove the following Lemmas.

Lemma 1: If  $R$  is a prime nonassociative weakly standard ring, then all commutators are in the center.

Proof: Forming associators of (2.8) and using (2.4) we obtain

$$((xy, x), r, s) + (x(x, y), r, s) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } (x(x, y), r, s) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } ((x, y)x, r, s) = (x, y)(x, r, s) = 0$$

Linearizing the above equation with  $x = x + a$ , we obtain

$$(x, y)(a, r, s) + (a, y)(x, r, s) = 0.$$

If we substitute a commutator  $v$  for  $a$ , we see that

$$(x, y)(v, r, s) + (v, y)(x, r, s) = 0 \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$(v, y)(x, r, s) = 0.$$

This can be restated as  $((R, R), R)(R, R, R) = 0$ . But now the ideal generated by the double commutators  $((R, R), R)$  annihilates the associator ideal. Since  $R$  is prime and not associative, we conclude that  $((R, R), R) = 0$ .

Hence in a prime weakly standard ring all commutators are in the center.

Lemma 2: In a 2-divisible weakly standard ring  $R$ ,  $S(x, y, z) = 0$ . Proof: If we put  $y = x$  in (2.1), then  $(x, x, x) = 0$ .

If we linearize  $(x, x, x) = 0$ , we get

$$S(x, y, z) + S(x, z, y) = 0.$$

By applying Lemma 1 on (2.7), we get

$$S(x, y, z) - S(x, z, y) = 0.$$

So that  $2S(x, y, z) = 0$ , since  $R$  is 2 divisible then  $S(x, y, z) = 0$ .

Now we develop further identities which hold in weakly standard rings.

The elements  $u, v, w, x, y, z$  are arbitrary elements of weakly standard rings.

From (2.5) and using  $S(x, y, z) = 0$  we get

$$(xy, z) = x(y, z) + (x, z)y \quad (3.1)$$

Through repeated use of (3.1), we break up  $((w, x, y), z)$  as

$$((w, x, y), z) = (wx.y - w.xy, z)$$

$$= wx.(y, z) + w(x, z).y + (w, z)x.y - (w, z).xy - w.x(y, z) - w.(x, z)y$$

$$= (w, x, (y, z)) + (w, (x, z), y) + ((w, z), x, y).$$

Since (2.2) implies that every commutator is in nucleus, we obtain  $((w, x, y), z) = 0$

$$((w, x, y), z) = 0 \quad (3.2)$$

Hence every associator commutes with every element of  $R$ . Because of (2.9) and the fact that every commutator is in the nucleus, we get

$$(v, x)(x, y, z) = ((v, x)x, y, z)$$

It follows from (3.1) that  $(v, x)x = (vx, x)$ . Consequently  $((v, x)x, y, z) = ((vx, x), y, z) = 0$ . Thus

$$(v, x)(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (3.3)$$

Lemma 3: In a weakly standard ring  $R$ ,  $((x, y, y)v, w) = 0$ .

Proof: Linearization of (3.3) becomes

$$(v, w)(x, y, z) = -(v, x)(w, y, z). \quad (3.4)$$

By using flexible law (2.1), (3.4),  $S(x, y, z) = 0$  and (3.3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (v, w)(x, y, y) &= -(v, w)(y, y, x) \\ &= (v, y)(w, y, x) \\ &= (v, y)(-(y, x, w) - (x, w, y)) \\ &= -(v, y)(y, x, w) - (v, y)(x, w, y) \\ &= -(v, y)(y, x, w) + (v, y)(y, w, x) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$i.e., (v, w)(x, y, y) = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

Now from (3.1), (3.4) and (3.2), we get

$$((x, y, y)v, w) = (x, y, y)(v, w) + ((x, y, y), w)v = 0.$$

Lemma 4: Let  $R$  be a weakly standard ring, then

$$S = \{s \in R \mid (s, R) = 0 = (sR, R)\}$$

is an ideal of  $R$ .

Proof: If we put  $w = s$  in (11), then  $((s, x, y), z) = 0$ .

From this it follows that

$$(sx, y, z) - (s, xy, z) = 0.$$

From definition of  $S$ ,  $(sx, y, z) = 0$ .

Thus  $sx \in S$ . So  $S$  is a right ideal of  $R$ .

Since  $(s, R) = 0$ ,  $(s, x) = 0$ . That is,  $sx = xs \in S$ . So  $S$  is a left ideal of  $R$ . Hence  $S$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

Lemma 5: If  $B$  is the set of all finite sums of elements of the form  $(R, R) + R(R, R)$ , then  $B$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

Proof :- Let  $B = (R, R) + R(R, R)$ .

$$\forall x, y, z \in R, x(y, z) \in B.$$

Since every commutator is in the nucleus,  $(x, (y, z), r) = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x(y, z).r &= x.(y, z)r \\ &= x.(yr, z) - x.y(r, z) \\ &= x.(yr, z) - xy.(r, z) \in B. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $B$  is a right ideal of  $R$ .

Now again using every commutator is in the nucleus we have,

$$\begin{aligned} (r, x, (y, z)) &= 0, \\ r.x(y, z) &= rx.(y, z) \in B. \end{aligned}$$

That is  $r.x(y, z) \in B$ , so that  $B$  is left ideal of  $R$ .

Hence  $B$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

Theorem: If  $R$  is a prime 2-divisible weakly standard ring then  $R$  is either a  $(-1, 1)$  ring or a commutative ring.

Proof: Substituting  $x = s$  in (10), we obtain  $(sy, z) = s(y, z) + (s, z)y$ .

From definition of  $S$ ,  $(sy, z) = 0$  and  $(s, z)y = 0$ . Thus  $s(y, z) = 0$ .

Hence  $SB = 0$ . From (3.2) and Lemma(3),  $(x, y, y)$  is in  $S$ .

Since  $R$  is prime, if  $S$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $R$  such that  $SB = 0$ , then either  $S = 0$  or  $B = 0$ . If  $S = 0$ , then  $R$  is right alternative, that is  $(x, y, y) = 0$ .

Linearization of this yields  $(x, y, z) + (x, z, y) = 0$ .

From this and  $S(x, y, z) = 0$ , it follows that  $R$  is a  $(-1, 1)$  ring.

If  $B = 0$  Then  $R$  is Commutative.

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