

## A NOTE ON DERIVATIONS ON PRIME GAMMA RINGS WITH CHARACTERISTIC 2

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper we will study the relationship between the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring and the existence of certain specific types of derivation of  $\Gamma$ -ring with characteristic 2.

### 1. Introduction

In 1957, Posner introduced derivation in ring in [15]. The different definitions of derivation such as semi-derivation, orthogonal derivation,  $\theta$ -derivation,  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation, symmetric bi-derivation, objects more general than derivation, were introduced by many researchers (see, for example [1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 17]).

The notion of the  $\Gamma$ -ring was introduced by Nobusawa in [9]. The  $\Gamma$ -ring is a generalization of ring. In [3], the conditions in the  $\Gamma$ -ring defined by Nobusawa, were weakened by Barnes. In [11], [12] and [14], Öztürk and Jun studied extended centroid of prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and generalized centroid of semi-prime  $\Gamma$ -ring. In [6], Jing defined derivation in prime  $\Gamma$ -rings. Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. A map  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called a derivation if  $d(x + y) = d(x) + d(y)$  and  $d(x\gamma y) = d(x)\gamma y + x\gamma d(y)$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . In [13], Öztürk, Jun and Kim investigated the relationship between the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring and derivation of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  with  $\text{char}M = 2$ . In this paper we study the relationship between the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring and the existence of certain specific types of derivation of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  with  $\text{char}M = 2$ .

Throughout in this paper,  $M$  in a  $\Gamma$ -ring in the sense of Barnes.

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## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $M$  and  $\Gamma$  be (additive) abelian groups. If the following conditions are hold in  $M$ , then we say that  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring (in the sense of Barnes),

- (1)  $a\alpha b \in M$ ,
- (2)  $(a + b)\alpha c = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ ,  
 $a(\alpha + \beta)b = a\alpha b + a\beta b$ ,  
 $a\alpha(b + c) = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ .
- (3)  $(a\alpha b)\beta c = a\alpha(b\beta c)$ .

for all  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . The center of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is defined by

$$Z = \{x \in M : x\gamma m = m\gamma x \text{ for all } m \in M \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma\}.$$

If  $U$  is an additive subgroup of  $M$  and  $U\Gamma M \subseteq U$  (resp.  $M\Gamma U \subseteq U$ ), then  $U$  is called a *right* (resp. *left*) *ideal* of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ . If  $U$  is both a right and a left ideal, then  $U$  is called an *ideal* of  $M$ . Let  $a \in M$ . The *principal right ideal* generated by  $a$  is the smallest right ideal of  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  containing  $a$ . This ideal is denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_r$ . Similarly one define  $\langle a \rangle_l$  the *principal left ideal* generated by  $a$  and  $\langle a \rangle$  the *principal two sided ideal* generated by  $a$ . Let  $P \neq M$  is an ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ . For any ideals  $U$  and  $V$  of  $M$ , if  $UTV \subseteq P$  implies  $U \subseteq P$  or  $V \subseteq P$ , then  $P$  is said to be *prime ideal* of  $M$ . A  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is said to be *prime* if the zero ideal is prime.

**THEOREM 2.1** ([7, Theorem 4]). *If  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring, the following conditions are equivalent:*

- i)  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring.
- ii) If  $a, b \in M$  and  $a\Gamma M\Gamma b = \langle 0 \rangle$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ .
- iii) If  $\langle a \rangle$  and  $\langle b \rangle$  are principal ideals of  $M$  such that  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle = \langle 0 \rangle$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ .
- iv) If  $U$  and  $V$  are right ideals of  $M$  such that  $UTV = \langle 0 \rangle$ , then  $U = \langle 0 \rangle$  or  $V = \langle 0 \rangle$ .
- v) If  $U$  and  $V$  are left ideals of  $M$  such that  $UTV = \langle 0 \rangle$ , then  $U = \langle 0 \rangle$  or  $V = \langle 0 \rangle$ .

Let  $M$  and  $M'$  be two  $\Gamma$ -rings. A mapping  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  of  $\Gamma$ -rings is called a  $\Gamma$ -ring homomorphism if  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$  and  $f(x\gamma y) = f(x)\gamma f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $(A, +)$  be an abelian group.  $A$  is called a left  $M$ -module over  $M$   $\Gamma$ -ring with respect to a mapping  $\cdot : M \times \Gamma \times A \rightarrow A$  if for all  $m, m' \in M$ ,  $x, y \in A$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ ,

- (i)  $m\alpha(x + y) = m\alpha x + m\alpha y$ ,
- (ii)  $(m + m')\alpha x = m\alpha x + m'\alpha x$ ,
- (iii)  $m\alpha(m'\beta x) = (m\alpha m')\beta x$ .

Similarly, one can define a right  $M$ -module.

Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $A, B$  be two left  $M$ -modules. A additive mapping  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is called a left  $M$ -module homomorphism if  $f(m\alpha x) = m\alpha f(x)$  for all  $m \in M$ ,  $x \in A$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring such that  $M\Gamma M \neq M$ . Denote

$$\mathcal{M} := \{(U, f) : U (\neq 0) \text{ is an ideal of } M \text{ and } f : U \rightarrow M \text{ is a right } M\text{-module homomorphism}\}.$$

Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathcal{M}$  by

$$(U, f) \sim (V, g) \Leftrightarrow \exists W (\neq 0) \subset U \cap V \text{ such that } f = g \text{ on } W.$$

Since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, it is possible to find a non-zero  $W$  and so " $\sim$ " is an equivalent relation. This gives a chance for us to get a partition of  $\mathcal{M}$ . We denote the equivalence class by  $Cl(U, f) = \hat{f}$ , where

$$\hat{f} := \{g : V \rightarrow M \mid (U, f) \sim (V, g)\},$$

and denote by  $Q$  the set of all equivalence classes. Then  $Q$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring, which is called the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring of  $M$  (see [11], [12], and [14]).

Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring with unity. An element  $u$  in  $M$  is called a *unity* of  $M$  if it has a multiplicative inverse in  $M$ . If every nonzero element of  $M$  is a unity, we say that  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -division ring. A  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -field if it is a commutative  $\Gamma$ -division ring.

LEMMA 2.1 ([12, Lemma 3.3]). *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring such that  $M\Gamma M \neq M$ . Then the extended centroid  $C_\Gamma$  of  $M$  is a  $\Gamma$ -field.*

Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $A$  be a  $M$ -module. A subset  $B = \{b_i : i \in I\}$  of  $A$  is called linearly independent, if for every distinct  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \in B$ ,  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \in M$  and  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n \in \Gamma$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \beta_i b_i = 0$  implies that  $m_1 = m_2 = \dots = m_n = 0$ .

LEMMA 2.2 ([11, p. 476]). *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring such that  $M\Gamma M \neq M$  and the extended centroid  $C_\Gamma$  of  $M$ . If  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are non-zero elements of  $M$  such that  $\sum a_i \gamma_i x \beta_i b_i = 0$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma_i, \beta_i \in \Gamma$ , then the  $a_i$ 's (also  $b_i$ 's) are linearly dependent over  $C_\Gamma$ . Moreover, if  $a\gamma x \beta b = b\gamma x \beta a$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$  where  $a (\neq 0)$ ,  $b \in M$  are fixed, then there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $b = \lambda \alpha a$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

LEMMA 2.3 ([16, Lemma 2]). *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $U$  a non-zero right (resp. left) ideal of  $M$  and  $a \in M$ . If  $U\Gamma a = \langle 0 \rangle$  (resp.  $a\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$ ), then  $a = 0$ .*

LEMMA 2.4 ([10, Lemma 1]). *Let  $M$  be a semi-prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $U$  a non-zero ideal of  $M$ . Then  $Ann_l U = Ann_r U$ .*

Let  $M$  be a semi-prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $U$  a non-zero ideal of  $M$ . In this case, we will write  $Ann_l U = Ann_r U = Ann U$  by Lemma 2.4. Let us denote by  $F$  a set of all ideals of  $M$  which have zero annihilator in  $M$ . In this case, the set  $F$  is closed under multiplication by Lemma 2.4.

THEOREM 2.2 ([14, Theorem 3.5]). *Let  $M$  be a semi-prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $Q$  the quotient  $\Gamma$ -ring of  $M$ . Then the  $\Gamma$ -ring  $Q$  satisfies the following properties:*

i) *For any element  $q \in Q$ , there exists an ideal  $U_q \in F$  such that  $q(U_q) \subseteq M$  (or  $q\Gamma U_q \subseteq M$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ).*

ii) If  $q \in Q$  and  $q(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$  for some  $U \in F$  ( or  $q\gamma U_q = \langle 0 \rangle$  for some  $U \in F$  and for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  ), then  $q = 0$ .

iii) If  $U \in F$  and  $\Psi : U \rightarrow M$  is a right  $M$ -module homomorphism, then there exists an element  $q \in Q$  such that  $\Psi(u) = q(u)$  for all  $u \in U$  ( or  $\Psi(u) = q\gamma u$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  ).

iv) Let  $W$  be a submodule ( an  $(M, M)$ -subbimodule ) in  $Q$  and  $\Psi : W \rightarrow Q$  a right  $M$ -module homomorphism. If  $W$  contains the ideal  $U$  ideal of the  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  such that  $\Psi(U) \subseteq M$  and  $\text{Ann}U = \text{Ann}_r W$ , then there is an element  $q \in Q$  such that  $\Psi(b) = q(b)$  for any  $b \in W$  ( or  $\Psi(b) = q\gamma b$  for any  $b \in W$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  ) and  $q(a) = 0$  for any  $a \in \text{Ann}_r W$  ( or  $q\gamma a = 0$  for any  $a \in \text{Ann}_r W$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  ).

LEMMA 2.5 ([16, Lemma 1]). Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $Z$  the center of  $M$ . If  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ , then

$$[a\gamma b, c]_\beta = a\gamma [b, c]_\beta + [a, c]_\beta \gamma b + a\gamma (c\beta b) - a\beta (c\gamma b)$$

where  $[a, b]_\gamma$  is  $a\gamma b - b\gamma a$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

DEFINITION 2.1. Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be a function. An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called  $\theta$ -derivation if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha\theta(y) + x\alpha d(y)$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  and  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$  be functions. An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivation if  $d(x\alpha y) = d(x)\alpha\theta(y) + \varphi(x)\alpha d(y)$  for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

### 3. $\theta$ -derivation on prime $\Gamma$ -ring

In this section,  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring such that  $M\Gamma M \neq M$ ,  $Z$  is the center of  $M$ ,  $C_\Gamma$  is the extended centroid of  $M$  and  $[a, b]_\gamma = a\gamma b - b\gamma a$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

LEMMA 3.1. Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $U$  be a non-zero ideal of  $M$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism and  $d$  be a  $\theta$ -derivation of  $M$ . If  $a\Gamma d(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$  ( $d(U)\Gamma a = \langle 0 \rangle$ ) for all  $a \in M$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$ .

PROOF. Let  $a\Gamma d(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$ . For all  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= a\alpha d(u\beta x) = a\alpha d(u)\beta\theta(x) + a\alpha u\beta d(x) \\ &= a\alpha u\beta d(x). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 2.3, we obtain that  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$ , since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring.  $\square$

LEMMA 3.2. Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $U$  be a non-zero ideal of  $M$ ,  $\theta, \varphi : M \rightarrow M$  be  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphisms and  $d$  be a  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivation of  $M$ . If  $a\Gamma d(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$  ( $d(U)\Gamma a = \langle 0 \rangle$ ) for all  $a \in M$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$ .

PROOF. Let  $a\Gamma d(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$ . For all  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= a\alpha d(u\beta x) = a\alpha d(u)\beta\theta(x) + a\alpha\varphi(u)\beta d(x) \\ &= a\alpha\varphi(u)\beta d(x). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 2.3, we obtain that  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$ , since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $\varphi$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char}M = 2$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism and  $0 \neq d_1, d_2$  be  $\theta$ -derivation on  $M$  such that  $d_1\theta = \theta d_1$  and  $d_2\theta = \theta d_2$ . If for all  $x \in M$ ,*

$$(3.1) \quad d_1 d_2(x) = 0$$

*then there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in M$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x\alpha y$  in (3.1) and using (3.1), we get

$$(3.2) \quad 0 = d_2(x) \alpha d_1(\theta(y)) + d_1(x) \alpha d_2(\theta(y)),$$

since  $\text{char}M = 2$  and  $d_2\theta = \theta d_2$ .

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\beta z$  in (3.2) and using (3.2), we get

$$(3.3) \quad d_2(x) \beta \theta(z) \alpha d_1(\theta(y)) = d_1(x) \beta \theta(z) \alpha d_2(\theta(y)),$$

for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, for all  $x, w, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , we get

$$(3.4) \quad d_2(x) \beta m \alpha d_1(w) = d_1(x) \beta m \alpha d_2(w).$$

Now if we replace  $w$  by  $x$  in (3.4), then we obtain

$$(3.5) \quad d_2(x) \beta m \alpha d_1(x) = d_1(x) \beta m \alpha d_2(x),$$

for all  $x, m \in M$  and  $\beta, \alpha \in \Gamma$ . If  $d_1(x) \neq 0$ , then there exists  $\lambda(x) \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda(x) \gamma d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Thus, if  $d_1(x) \neq 0 \neq d_1(w)$ , then (3.4) implies that

$$(3.6) \quad (\lambda(y) - \lambda(x)) \gamma d_1(x) \beta m \alpha d_1(w) = 0.$$

Since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we conclude by using Lemma 3.1 that  $\lambda(y) = \lambda(x)$  for all  $x, y \in M$ . Hence we prove that there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \gamma d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  with  $d_1(x) \neq 0$ . On the other hand, if  $d_1(x) = 0$ , then  $d_2(x) = 0$  as well. Therefore,  $d_2(x) = \lambda \gamma d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char}M = 2$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism and  $0 \neq d$  be a  $\theta$ -derivation of  $M$  such that  $d\theta = \theta d$ . If for all  $x \in M$ ,*

$$(3.7) \quad d(x) \in Z,$$

*then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d(m) = \lambda(m) \alpha d(z)$  for all  $m, z \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  or  $M$  is commutative.*

**PROOF.** From (3.7), we have

$$(3.8) \quad [d(x), y]_\beta = 0,$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ .

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\gamma z$  in (3.8), we get

$$(3.9) \quad [d(x\gamma z), y]_{\beta} = d(x)\gamma\theta(z)\beta y + x\gamma d(z)\beta y - y\beta d(x)\gamma\theta(z) - y\beta x\gamma d(z).$$

Since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we get

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= d(x)\gamma(m\beta y - y\beta m) + d(z)\gamma(x\beta y - y\beta x) \\ &= d(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} + d(z)\gamma[x, y]_{\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $d(x)$  in (3.10), we get

$$(3.11) \quad 0 = d^2(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} + d(z)\gamma[d(x), y]_{\beta},$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$ . Using (3.8) in (3.11), we get

$$(3.12) \quad d^2(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} = 0,$$

for all  $x, y, m \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

Now, substituting  $x\alpha z$  for  $x$  in (3.12), it follows from  $\text{char}M = 2$  that

$$(3.13) \quad 0 = d^2(x)\alpha\theta^2(z)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta},$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we obtain

$$(3.14) \quad d^2(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in M \text{ or } [m, y]_{\beta} = 0 \text{ for all } y, m \in M \text{ and } \beta \in \Gamma.$$

From (3.14), if  $d^2(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ , then replacing  $x$  by  $x\gamma y$  in this last relation, it follows from  $d(x) \in Z$  that

$$(3.15) \quad d(x)\gamma d(m) = d(m)\gamma d(x) \text{ for all } x, m \in M \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\alpha z$  in (3.15), it follows from (3.15) that for all  $x, z, m \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ ,

$$d(x)\alpha y\gamma d(m) = d(m)\alpha y\gamma d(x)$$

since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism.

If  $d(m) \neq 0$ , then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $d(x) = \lambda(x)\alpha d(m)$  for all  $x, m \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  by Lemma 2.2. On the other hand, it follows from (3.14) that if  $[m, y]_{\beta} = 0$  for all  $y, m \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ , then  $M$  is commutative. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char}M = 2$ ,  $U$  be a non-zero ideal of  $M$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism and  $0 \neq d_1, d_2$  be  $\theta$ -derivation on  $M$  such that  $d_1\theta = \theta d_1$  and  $d_2\theta = \theta d_2$ . If  $d_2(U) \subseteq U$  and for all  $u \in U$ ,*

$$(3.16) \quad d_1 d_2(u) = 0$$

*then there exists  $\lambda \in C_{\Gamma}$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda\alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $u, v \in U$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $d_2(u)\gamma v$  in (3.16) and using hypothesis, we have

$$(3.17) \quad d_2^2(u)\gamma d_1(w) = 0,$$

for all  $u \in U$ ,  $w \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $d_1 \neq 0$ , for all  $u \in U$ ,  $d_2^2(u) = 0$  from Lemma 3.1. Replacing  $u$  by  $u\gamma x$  in (3.16) and using hypothesis, we get

$$(3.18) \quad 0 = d_2(u) \gamma d_1(\theta(x)) + d_1(u) \gamma \theta(d_2(x)) + u \gamma d_1(d_2(x)),$$

for all  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $d_2(u)$  in (3.18) and using (3.17), we get

$$d_2(u) \gamma d_1(d_2(x)) = 0.$$

Since  $d_2 \neq 0$ ,  $d_1(d_2(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$  from Lemma 3.1. From here, there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $U$  be a non-zero right ideal of  $M$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  be  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism and  $0 \neq d$  be a  $\theta$ -derivation of  $M$  such that  $d\theta = \theta d$ . If*

$$(3.19) \quad d(u) \gamma a = 0 \text{ for all } u \in U \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma,$$

where  $a$  is a fixed element of  $M$ , then there exists an element of  $Q$  such that  $q\gamma a = 0$  implies  $q\gamma u = 0$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $U$  is a right ideal of  $M$ , we have  $u\beta x \in U$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $u\beta x$  in (3.19), we get

$$(3.20) \quad d(u) \beta \theta(x) \gamma a + u \beta d(x) \gamma a = 0$$

for all  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . And so,

$$d(u) \beta \left( \sum \theta(x) \gamma a \alpha m \right) = - \left( u \beta \left( \sum d(x) \gamma a \alpha m \right) \right)$$

for all  $m \in M$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Therefore, for any  $v \in V = M\Gamma a\Gamma M$  which is a non-zero ideal of  $M$ , we have

$$(3.21) \quad d(u) \beta v = u \beta f(v)$$

for all  $u \in U$ .  $f(v)$  is independent of  $u$  but it is dependent on  $v$ . Since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $f(v)$  is well-defined. Note that  $v\alpha y \in V$  for any  $y \in M$ ,  $v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $v$  by  $v\alpha y$  in (3.21), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(u) \beta v \alpha y &= u \beta f(v \alpha y), \\ u \beta f(v) \alpha y &= u \beta f(v \alpha y) \\ u \beta (f(v) \alpha y - f(v \alpha y)) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which implies from Lemma 2.3 that

$$(3.22) \quad f(v) \alpha y = f(v \alpha y)$$

for all  $y \in M$ ,  $v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . It follows from (3.22) that  $f : V \rightarrow M$  is a right  $M$ -module homomorphism. In this case,  $q = Cl(V, f) \in Q$ . Moreover,  $f(v) = q\beta v$  for all  $v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  by Theorem 2.2. Let  $x \in M$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $v$  by  $\theta(x) \gamma v$  in (3.21), we get

$$(3.23) \quad d(u) \beta \theta(x) \gamma v = u \beta f(\theta(x) \gamma v) = u \beta q \beta \theta(x) \gamma v.$$

Also, replacing  $u$  by  $u\gamma x$  in (3.21), we get

$$d(u\gamma x) \beta v = u\gamma x \beta f(v)$$

$$d(u)\gamma\theta(x)\beta v + u\gamma d(x)\beta v = u\gamma x\beta f(v)$$

$$(3.24) \quad d(u)\gamma\theta(x)\beta v = u\gamma x\beta q\beta v - u\gamma d(x)\beta v.$$

Now, replacing  $\beta$  by  $\gamma$  and replacing  $\gamma$  by  $\beta$  in (3.24), we get

$$(3.25) \quad d(u)\beta\theta(x)\gamma v = u\beta x\gamma q\gamma v - u\beta d(x)\gamma v.$$

Thus, from (3.23) and (3.25), we obtain

$$u\beta q\beta\theta(x)\gamma v = u\beta x\gamma q\gamma v - u\beta d(x)\gamma v$$

$$u\beta(q\beta\theta(x) - x\gamma q + d(x))\gamma v = 0$$

for all  $x \in M$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $d(x) = x\gamma q - q\beta\theta(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$  by Lemma 2.3. Let  $u \in U$  and  $x \in M$ ,  $d(u) = q\alpha u - \theta(u)\beta q$  and  $d(x) = q\beta x - \theta(x)\alpha q$ . Then we have

$$0 = d(u\beta x)\gamma a = (q\alpha(u\beta x) - \theta(u\beta x)\beta q)\gamma a.$$

Thus,  $q\alpha u\beta x\gamma a = \theta(u\beta x)\beta q\gamma a$ . If  $q\gamma a = 0$ , then  $q\alpha u\beta x\gamma a = 0$ , and so since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we get  $q\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char} M \neq 2$ ,  $U$  a non-zero right ideal of  $M$  and  $0 \neq d$  be a  $\theta$ -derivation of  $M$  such that  $d\theta = \theta d$  and  $\theta(U) \subseteq U$ . Then the subring of  $M$  generated by  $d(U)$  contains no nonzero right ideals of  $M$  if and only if  $d(U)\Gamma\theta(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $A$  be the subring generated by  $d(U)$ . Let  $S = A \cap U$ ,  $u \in U$ ,  $s \in S$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $d(s\gamma u) = d(s)\gamma\theta(u) + s\gamma d(u)$ , and so we have  $d(s)\gamma\theta(u) \in S$ . Thus  $d(S)\Gamma\theta(U)$  is a right ideal of  $M$ . In this case,  $d(S)\Gamma\theta(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$  by hypothesis.  $d(u\gamma a) = d(u)\gamma\theta(a) + u\gamma d(a) \in S$  and  $d(u)\gamma\theta(a) \in S$  where  $u \in U$ ,  $a \in A$ . Thus, we have  $u\gamma d(a) \in S$ . Therefore,  $0 = d(u\gamma d(a))\beta\theta(u) = (d(u)\gamma\theta(d(a)) + u\gamma d^2(a))\beta\theta(u)$ . Since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, it follows from Lemma 2.3 that

$$(3.26) \quad d(u)\gamma\theta(d(a)) + u\gamma d^2(a) = 0$$

for all  $u \in U$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a \in A$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $u\beta v$  where  $v \in U$ ,  $\beta \in \Gamma$  in (3.26), we get, for all  $u, v \in U$ ,  $\beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a \in A$

$$d(u)\beta v\gamma\theta(d(a)) = 0.$$

Since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we get  $d(U)\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$  or  $d(A)\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$ . If  $d(A)\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$ , then  $d^2(U)\Gamma U = \langle 0 \rangle$ . Let  $u, v \in U$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Then

$$0 = d(d(u\beta v)) = d^2(u)\beta\theta^2(v) + 2d(u)\beta d(\theta(v)) + u\beta d^2(v),$$

and so we have  $d(u)\beta d(\theta(v)) = 0$  for all  $u, v \in U$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$  by  $\text{char} M \neq 2$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $u\gamma w$  where  $w \in U$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  in last relation, we have

$$d(u)\gamma\theta(w)\beta d(\theta(v)) = 0$$

which yields  $d(u)\gamma\theta(w) = 0$  for all  $u, w \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

Conversely, assume that  $d(U)\Gamma\theta(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$ . Then  $A\Gamma d(U) = \langle 0 \rangle$ . Since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring,  $A$  contains no non-zero right ideals.  $\square$



**4.  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivation on prime  $\Gamma$ -ring**

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char}M = 2$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  and  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$  be  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphisms and  $0 \neq d_1, d_2$  be  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivations on  $M$  such that  $d_i\theta = \theta d_i$  and  $d_i\varphi = \varphi d_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . If for all  $x \in M$ ,*

$$(4.1) \quad d_1 d_2(x) = 0$$

*then there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in M$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x\alpha y$  in (4.1) and using (4.1), we get

$$(4.2) \quad d_2(\varphi(x))\alpha d_1(\theta(y)) = d_1(\varphi(x))\alpha d_2(\theta(y)),$$

since  $\text{char}M = 2$  and  $d_i\theta = \theta d_i$ ,  $d_i\varphi = \varphi d_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

Since  $\varphi$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, for all  $m, y \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , we get

$$(4.3) \quad d_2(m)\alpha d_1(\theta(y)) = d_1(m)\alpha d_2(\theta(y)).$$

Replacing  $m$  by  $m\beta z$  in (4.2) and using (4.2), we get

$$(4.4) \quad d_2(m)\beta\theta(z)\alpha d_1(\theta(y)) = d_1(m)\beta\theta(z)\alpha d_2(\theta(y)),$$

for all  $m, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, for all  $m, n, k \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , we get

$$(4.5) \quad d_2(m)\beta n \alpha d_1(k) = d_1(m)\beta n \alpha d_2(k).$$

Now if we replace  $k$  by  $m$  in (4.5), then we obtain

$$(4.6) \quad d_2(m)\beta n \alpha d_1(m) = d_1(m)\beta n \alpha d_2(m),$$

for all  $n, m \in M$  and  $\beta, \alpha \in \Gamma$ . If  $d_1(m) \neq 0$ , then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(m) = \lambda(m)\gamma d_1(m)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Thus, if  $d_1(m) \neq 0 \neq d_1(k)$ , then (4.5) implies that

$$(4.7) \quad (\lambda(k) - \lambda(m))\gamma d_1(m)\beta z \alpha d_1(k) = 0.$$

Since  $M$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring, we conclude by using Lemma 2.2 that  $\lambda(k) = \lambda(m)$  for all  $k, m \in M$ . Hence we prove that there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(m) = \lambda\gamma d_1(m)$  for all  $m \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  with  $d_1(m) \neq 0$ . On the other hand, if  $d_1(m) = 0$ , then  $d_2(m) = 0$  as well. Therefore,  $d_2(m) = \lambda\gamma d_1(m)$  for all  $m \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char}M = 2$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  and  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$  be  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphisms and  $0 \neq d$  be a  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivation of  $M$  such that  $d\theta = \theta d$ ,  $d\varphi = \varphi d$ . If for all  $x \in M$ ,*

$$(4.8) \quad d(x) \in Z,$$

*then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d(m) = \lambda(m)\alpha d(z)$  for all  $m, z \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  or  $M$  is commutative.*

PROOF. From (4.8), we have

$$(4.9) \quad [d(x), y]_{\beta} = 0,$$

for all  $x, y \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ .

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\gamma z$  in (4.9), we get

$$(4.10) \quad [d(x\gamma z), y]_{\beta} = d(x)\gamma\theta(z)\beta y + \varphi(x)\gamma d(z)\beta y - y\beta d(x)\gamma\theta(z) - y\beta\varphi(x)\gamma d(z).$$

Since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we get

$$(4.11) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= d(x)\gamma(m\beta y - y\beta m) + d(z)\gamma(\varphi(x)\beta y - y\beta\varphi(x)) \\ &= d(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} + d(z)\gamma[\varphi(x), y]_{\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $d(x)$  in (4.11), we get

$$(4.12) \quad 0 = d^2(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} + d(z)\gamma[\varphi(d(x)), y]_{\beta},$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$ . Since  $\varphi$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we get

$$(4.13) \quad 0 = d^2(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} + d(z)\gamma[d(n), y]_{\beta},$$

for all  $x, y, z, m, n \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

Using (4.9) in (4.13), we get

$$(4.14) \quad d^2(x)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta} = 0,$$

for all  $x, y, m \in M$  and  $\gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

Now, substituting  $x\alpha z$  for  $x$  in (4.14), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (d^2(x)\alpha\theta^2(z) + \varphi(d(x))\alpha d(\theta(z))) \\ &\quad + d(\varphi(x))\alpha\theta(d(z)) + \varphi^2(x)\alpha d^2(z)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

Using (4.13) in last relation, we have

$$(4.15) \quad 0 = d^2(x)\alpha\theta^2(z)\gamma[m, y]_{\beta},$$

for all  $x, y, z, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \gamma, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $M$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ring and  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we obtain

$$(4.16) \quad d^2(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in M \text{ or } [m, y]_{\beta} = 0 \text{ for all } y, m \in M \text{ and } \beta \in \Gamma.$$

From (4.16), if  $d^2(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ , then replacing  $x$  by  $x\gamma y$  in this last relation, it follows from  $d(x) \in Z$  that

$$(4.17) \quad d(x)\gamma d(m) = d(m)\gamma d(x) \text{ for all } x, m \in M \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\alpha n$  in (4.17), it follows from (4.17) that for all  $x, n, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

$$(4.18) \quad d(x)\alpha\theta(n)\gamma d(m) = d(m)\gamma d(x)\alpha\theta(n)$$

Since  $\theta$  is  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphism, we have

$$d(x)\alpha k\gamma d(m) = d(m)\gamma d(x)\alpha k,$$

for all  $x, m, k \in M$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \Gamma$

If  $d(x) \neq 0$ , then there exists  $\lambda(m) \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d(x) = \lambda(x)\alpha d(m)$  for all  $x, m \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  by Lemma 2.2. On the other hand, it follows from (4.16) that if  $[m, y]_\beta = 0$  for all  $y, m \in M$  and  $\beta \in \Gamma$ , then  $M$  is commutative. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $M$  be a prime  $\Gamma$ -ring with  $\text{char} M = 2$ ,  $U$  be a non-zero ideal of  $M$ ,  $\theta : M \rightarrow M$  and  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$  be  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphisms and  $0 \neq d_1, d_2$  be  $(\theta, \varphi)$ -derivations on  $M$  such that  $d_i\theta = \theta d_i$  and  $d_i\varphi = \varphi d_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . If  $d_2(U) \subseteq U$  and for all  $u \in U$ ,*

$$(4.19) \quad d_1 d_2(u) = 0$$

*then there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $u, v \in U$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $d_2(u)\gamma v$  in (4.19) and using hypothesis, we have

$$(4.20) \quad \varphi(d_2^2(u))\gamma d_1(\theta(v)) = 0,$$

for all  $u, v \in U$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  are  $\Gamma$ -ring epimorphisms, we get

$$(4.21) \quad d_2^2(y)\gamma d_1(z) = 0,$$

for all  $y, z \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $d_1 \neq 0$ , for all  $y \in M$ ,  $d_2^2(y) = 0$  from Lemma 3.2. Replacing  $u$  by  $u\gamma x$  in (4.19) and using hypothesis, we get

$$(4.22) \quad 0 = d_2(u)\gamma d_1(\theta(x)) + d_1(u)\gamma\theta(d_2(x)) + u\gamma d_1(d_2(x)),$$

for all  $u \in U$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $d_2(u)$  in (4.22) and using (4.21), we get

$$d_2(u)\gamma d_1(d_2(x)) = 0.$$

Since  $d_2 \neq 0$ ,  $d_1(d_2(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$  from Lemma 3.2. From here, there exists  $\lambda \in C_\Gamma$  such that  $d_2(x) = \lambda \alpha d_1(x)$  for all  $x \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .  $\square$

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