

HOMODERIVATION OF PRIME RINGS WITH INVOLUTION

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ABSTRACT. Let R be a ring with involution $*$. An additive mapping h from R into itself is called homoderivation if $h(xy) = h(x)h(y) + h(x)y + xh(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$. In this paper we investigate the commutativity of a ring R with involution $*$ which admits a homoderivation satisfying certain algebraic identities.

1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, R will represent a ring with center $Z(R)$. For any $x, y \in R$ the symbol $[x, y]$ denote the commutator $xy - yx$; while the symbol $x \circ y$ will stand for the anti-commutator $xy + yx$. A ring R is a 2-torsion free if whenever $2x = 0$, $x \in R$, implies $x = 0$. A ring R is called prime if $aRb = 0$, where $a, b \in R$, implies $a = 0$ or $b = 0$, and is called a semiprime ring in case $aRa = 0$ implies $a = 0$. An additive mapping $*$: $R \rightarrow R$ is called an involution if $*$ is an antihomomorphism of order 2, that is, $(a^*)^* = a$, $(a + b)^* = a^* + b^*$, $(ab)^* = b^*a^*$ for all $a, b \in R$. An element x in a ring R with involution is said to be hermitian if $x^* = x$ and skew-hermitian if $x^* = -x$. The sets of all hermitian and skew-hermitian elements of R will be denote by $H(R)$ and $S(R)$, respectively. The involution is said to be of the first kind if $Z(R) \subseteq H(R)$; otherwise it is said to be of the second kind. In the later case, $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$. If $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$, then $R = S(R) + H(R)$ and $S(R) \cap H(R) = (0)$. Note that in this case x is normal, i.e. $xx^* = x^*x$, if and only if S and h commute. If all elements in R are normal, then R is called a normal ring. A mapping $f : R \rightarrow R$ is said to be $*$ -centralizing on S if $[f(x), x^*] \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in S$ and $f : R \rightarrow R$ is said to be $*$ -commuting on S if $[f(x), x^*] = 0$ for all $x \in S$. A derivation on R is an additive mapping $d : R \rightarrow R$ such that

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$d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$. El-Sofy [3] defined a homoderivation on R as an additive map h on R such that $h(xy) = h(x)h(y) + h(x)y + xh(y)$, for all $x, y \in R$. For a positive integer $n(x) > 1$ such that $f^{n(x)}(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$, the mapping $f : R \rightarrow R$ is called a zero-power valued on R [3]. Over the last few decades, several authors have describe the structure of additive mappings that are $*$ -commuting on a prime or semiprime ring with involution and study the commutativity of rings with involution satisfying some algebraic conditions(see, [2], [12]). In this paper, we study the commutativity of rings with involution admitting a homoderivation satisfying some algebraic identities In [11], the authors proved the commutativity of $*$ -prime rings admitting homoderivations that commute with $*$ and satisfy some conditions on $*$ -ideals.

2. preliminaries

In [8], for any $x, y, z \in R$, the following identities of anticommutators are obvious

- $x \circ (yz) = (x \circ y)z - y[x, z] = y(x \circ z) + [x, y]z$.
- $(xy) \circ z = x(y \circ z) - [x, z]y = (x \circ z)y + x[y, z]$.

An important results will be listed in this section.

LEMMA 2.1 ([10], Lemma 4). *Let b and ab be elements in the center of a prime ring R . If b is not zero, then a is in $Z(R)$.*

LEMMA 2.2 ([9], Lemma 2). *Suppose $2R = 0$ and U is a commutative Lie ideal of R . Then $u^2 \in Z(R)$ for all $u \in U$.*

LEMMA 2.3 ([1], Lemma 2.1). *Let R be a prime ring with involution $*$ such that $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$. If $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$ and R is normal, then R is commutative.*

LEMMA 2.4 ([12], Lemma 2.1). *Let R be a prime ring with involution of the second kind. Then $*$ is centralizing if and only if R is commutative.*

LEMMA 2.5 ([12], Lemma 2.2). *Let R be a prime ring with involution of the second kind. Then $x \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$ if and only if R is commutative.*

LEMMA 2.6 ([11], Lemma 2.3.1). *Let R be a ring and let h be a zero power valued homoderivation on R . Then h preserves $Z(R)$.*

LEMMA 2.7 ([11], Lemma 2.3.2). *Let R be a prime ring, and $h \neq 0$ a homoderivation of R such that $[h(x), h(y)] = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. If $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$. R is commutative .*

LEMMA 2.8 ([3], Theorem 3.3.1). *Let R be a prime ring with $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$ and $h \neq 0$ be a homoderivation of R . An element $a \in R$ is such that $ah(x) = h(x)a$ for all $x \in R$. Then a must be in $Z(R)$.*

LEMMA 2.9 ([3], Theorem 3.4.7). *let R be a prime ring and $I \neq 0$ a two sided ideal of R . If R admits a non-zero homoderivation h which is commuting and zero-power valued on I . Then R is a commutative.*

LEMMA 2.10 ([3], Corollary 3.4.8). *let R be a prime ring and $I \neq 0$ a two sided ideal of R . If R admits a non-zero homoderivation h which is centralizing and zero-power valued on I . Then R is a commutative.*

LEMMA 2.11 ([4], Lemma 1). *Let R be any ring with involution $*$ such that $R = S + K$. Then K^2 , the addition subgroup generated by all products k_1k_2 for $k_1, k_2 \in K$, is a Lie ideal of R .*

3. Main Result

LEMMA 3.1. *Let $(R, *)$ be a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution provided with a homoderivation h . If $h(t) = 0$ for all $t \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$, then $h(z) = 0$ for all $z \in Z(R)$.*

PROOF. If $t = 0$, then $h(t) = 0$. Assume that $t \neq 0$, and

$$(3.1) \quad h(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t \in H(R) \cap Z(R).$$

Then replacing t by $tk^2 \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$ where $k \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ and applying (3.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= h(tk^2) = h(t)h(k^2) + th(k^2) + h(t)k^2. \\ &0 = th(k^2). \end{aligned}$$

Now replace k by $s + r$ such that $0 \neq s, r \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$

$$\begin{aligned} th((s + r)^2) &= th(s^2 + 2sr + r^2) = th(s^2) + 2th(sr) + th(r^2) = 2th(sr) = 0. \\ 2th(sr) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since R is 2-torsion free, so

$$\begin{aligned} th(sr) &= 0. \\ th(s)h(r) + tsh(r) + th(s)r &= 0. \\ tsh(r) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since the center of a prime ring is free zero divisors this assures that $h(r) = 0$ for all $r \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$. Since each element $z \in Z(R)$ can be uniquely represented in the form $2z = g + k$ where $g \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$ and $k \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ then,

$$2h(z) = h(2z) = h(g + k) = h(g) + h(k) = 0.$$

Since $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$, so $h(z) = 0$ for all $z \in Z(R)$. □

THEOREM 3.1. *Let R be a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution $*$ of the second kind. Let h be a homoderivation of R such that $[h(x), h(x^*)] = 0$ for all $x \in R$, then R is commutative.*

PROOF. By the assumption, we have

$$(3.2) \quad [h(x), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

By linalization (3.2) yields that

$$(3.3) \quad [h(x), h(y^*)] + [h(y), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by xx^* in (3.3),

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= [h(x), h((xx^*)^*)] + [h(xx^*), h(x^*)]. \\
&= [h(x), h(xx^*)] + [h(xx^*), h(x^*)]. \\
&= [h(x), h(x)h(x^*)] + [h(x), xh(x^*)] + [h(x), h(x)x^*] + [h(x)h(x^*), h(x^*)] \\
&\quad + [xh(x^*), h(x^*)] + [h(x)x^*, h(x^*)]. \\
&= h(x)[h(x), h(x^*)] + [h(x), h(x)]h(x^*) + x[h(x), h(x^*)] + [h(x), x]h(x^*) \\
&\quad + h(x)[h(x), x^*] + [h(x), h(x)]x^* + h(x)[h(x^*), h(x^*)] + [h(x), h(x^*)]h(x^*) \\
&\quad + x[h(x^*), h(x^*)] + [x, h(x^*)]h(x^*) + h(x)[x^*, h(x^*)] + [h(x), h(x^*)]x^*.
\end{aligned}$$

$$(3.4) \quad 0 = [h(x), x]h(x^*) + h(x)[h(x), x^*] + [x, h(x^*)]h(x^*) + h(x)[x^*, h(x^*)].$$

Replacing x by $x+t$, where $t \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= [h(x+t), x+t]h(x^*+t) + h(x+t)[h(x+t), x^*+t] + [x+t, h(x^*+t)]h(x^*+t) \\
&\quad + h(x+t)[x^*+t, h(x^*+t)]. \\
0 &= [h(x), x]h(x^*) + [h(x), x]h(t) + [h(x), t]h(x^*) + [h(x), t]h(t) + [h(t), t]h(x^*) \\
&\quad + [h(t), t]h(t) + [h(t), x]h(x^*) + [h(t), x]h(t) + h(x)[h(x), x^*] + h(x)[h(t), t] \\
&\quad + h(x)[h(x), t] + h(x)[h(t), x^*] + h(t)[h(x), x^*] + h(t)[h(t), t] + h(t)[h(x), t] \\
&\quad + h(t)[h(t), x^*] + h(x)[x^*, h(x^*)] + h(x)[t, h(t)] + h(x)[x^*, h(t)] + h(x)[t, h(x^*)] \\
&\quad + h(t)[x^*, h(x^*)] + h(t)[t, h(t)] + h(t)[x^*, h(t)] + h(t)[t, h(x^*)] \\
&\quad + [x, h(x^*)]h(x^*) + [t, h(t)]h(x^*) + [x, h(t)]h(x^*) + [t, h(x^*)]h(x^*) \\
&\quad + [x, h(x^*)]h(t) + [t, h(t)]h(t) + [x, h(t)]h(t) + [t, h(x^*)]h(t).
\end{aligned}$$

By using (3.4) we get

$$0 = h(t)([h(x), x] + [h(x), x^*] + [x^*, h(x^*)] + [x, h(x^*)]).$$

for all $t \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$ and $x \in R$. Since the center of a prime ring is free from zero divisors we get either $h(t) = 0$ for all $t \in H(R) \cap Z(R)$ or $[h(x), x] + [h(x), x^*] + [x^*, h(x^*)] + [x, h(x^*)] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. Suppose

$$(3.5) \quad h(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t \in H(R) \cap Z(R).$$

By lemma 3.1 we get

$$(3.6) \quad h(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in Z(R).$$

Replacing y by ky in (3.3), where $k \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ and using (3.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&[h(x), h((ky)^*)] + [h(ky), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
&[h(x), h(y^*k^*)] + [h(ky), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
&[h(x), h(y^*(-k))] + [h(ky), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
&-[h(x), h((y)^*k)] + [h(ky), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
&-[h(x), h(y^*)h(k)] - [h(x), y^*h(k)] - [h(x), h(y^*)k] + [h(k)h(y), h(x^*)] + [kh(y), h(x^*)] \\
&\quad + [h(k)y, h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
&-h(y^*)[h(x), h(k)] - [h(x), h(y^*)]h(k) - y^*[h(x), h(k)] - [h(x), y^*]h(k) - h(y^*)[h(x), k] \\
&\quad - [h(x), h(y^*)]k + h(k)[h(y), h(x^*)] + [h(k), h(x^*)]h(y) + k[h(y), h(x^*)]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+[k, h(x^*)]h(y) + h(k)[y, h(x^*)] \\
 &+[h(k), h(x^*)]y = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\
 &k(-[h(x), h(y^*)] + [h(y), h(x^*)]) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ and $x, y \in R$. Using the primeness of R and the fact that $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$, we get

$$(3.7) \quad -[h(x), h(y^*)] + [h(y), h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

for all $x, y \in R$. On comparing (3.3) and (3.7), we obtain $2[h(x), h(y^*)] = 0$ Replacing y by y^* and using the fact that $char(R) \neq 2$, we conclude that $[h(x), h(y)] = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. Therefore, by Lemma 2.7, we get that R is commutative.

Now we consider the case

$$(3.8) \quad [h(x), x] + [h(x), x^*] + [x^*, h(x^*)] + [x, h(x^*)] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Replacing x by $t + k$, where $t \in H(R)$ and $k \in S(R)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &[h(t+k), t+k] + [h(t+k), (t+k)^*] + [(t+k)^*, h((t+k)^*)] + [t+k, h((t+k)^*)] = 0. \\
 &[h(t), t] + [h(t), k] + [h(k), t] + [h(k), k] + [h(t), t^*] + [h(t), k^*] + [h(k), t^*] + [h(k), k^*] \\
 &+ [t^*, h(t^*)] + [t^*, h(k^*)] + [k^*, h(t^*)] + [k^*, h(k^*)] + [t, h(t^*)] + [t, h(k^*)] + [k, h(t^*)] \\
 &\quad + [k, h(k^*)] = 0. \\
 &[h(t), t] + [h(t), t^*] + [t^*, h(t^*)] + [t, h(t^*)] + [h(k), k] + [h(k), k^*] + [k^*, h(k^*)] + [k, h(k^*)] \\
 &\quad + [h(t), k] + [h(k), t] + [h(t), k^*] + [h(k), t^*] + [t^*, h(k^*)] + [k^*, h(t^*)] + [t, h(k^*)] \\
 &\quad + [k, h(t^*)] = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ [h(t), k] + 2[h(k), t] - [h(t), k] + [h(k), t] - [k, h(t)] + [h(k), t] + [k, h(t^*)] = 0$$

for all $x \in R$. By (3.8), we get $4[h(k), t] = 0$. Since $char(R) \neq 2$, we obtain

$$(3.9) \quad [h(k), t] = 0 \text{ for all } t \in H(R) \text{ and } k \in S(R).$$

Replacing t by k_0k' , where $k_0 \in S(R)$ and $k' \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$, we arrive at $([h(k), k_0])k = 0$. Using the primeness of R and since $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$, we get

$$(3.10) \quad [h(k), k_0] = 0 \text{ for all } k, k_0 \in S(R).$$

Since $char(R) \neq 2$, every $x \in R$ can be represented as $2x = t + k$, where $t \in H(R), k \in S(R)$, so in equations (3.9) and (3.10),

$$[h(k), 2x] = [h(k), t + k] = [h(k), t] + [h(k), k] = 0 \text{ for all } k \in S(R) \text{ } x \in R.$$

$$2[h(k), x] = 0 \text{ for all } k \in S(R) \text{ } x \in R.$$

Since $char(R) \neq 2$ we conclude that

$$(3.11) \quad [h(k), x] = 0 \text{ for all } k \in S(R) \text{ } x \in R.$$

That is $h(k) \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$. Assume that $h(S(R)) = (0)$, so $(h(x-x^*)) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. That is $h(x) = h(x^*)$ for all $x \in R$. Now for $k \in S(R)$ and $x \in R$, we have $0 = h(kx + x^*k) = h(k)h(x) + kh(x) + h(k)x + h(x^*)h(k) + x^*h(k) + h(x^*)k = kh(x) + h(x^*)k = kh(x) + h(x)k$ for all $x \in R$. This further implies that $k^2h(x) = h(x)k^2$ for all $x \in R$. Thus, by the Lemma 2.8, we conclude that $k^2 \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in Z(R)$. Since $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$, let $0 \neq k_0 \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$

and k be an arbitrary element of $S(R)$. Then $(k + k_0)^2 = k^2 + k_0^2 + 2kk_0 \in Z(R)$ hence $2kk_0 \in Z(R)$. Since $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$, we get $kk_0 \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$ and $k_0 \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ implies that $k \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$ R is normal. Thus, R is commutative by Lemma 2.3.

Now suppose $h(S(R)) \neq (0)$. For $k_0 \in S(R)$ with $h(k_0) \neq 0$ and $k \in [S(R), S(R)]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(kk_0k) &\in Z(R) \\ h(k)h(k_0k) + h(k)k_0k + kh(k_0k) &\in Z(R) \\ h(k)h(k_0)h(k) + h(k)k_0h(k) + h(k)h(k_0)k + h(k)k_0k + kh(k_0)h(k) + kk_0h(k) \\ &+ kh(k_0)k \in Z(R) \end{aligned}$$

Since $h([S(R), S(R)]) = 0$

$$k^2h(k_0) \in Z(R)$$

Thus, by the Lemma 2.8, we conclude that $k^2 \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in Z(R)$. Since $S(R) \cap Z(R) \neq (0)$, let $0 \neq k_0 \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$ and let k be an arbitrary element of $S(R)$. Then $(k + k_0)^2 = k^2 + k_0^2 + 2kk_0 \in Z(R)$ and hence $2kk_0 \in Z(R)$. Since $\text{char}(R) \neq 2$, we get $kk_0 \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$ and $k_0 \in S(R) \cap Z(R)$. This further implies that $k \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$. That is, $[S(R), S(R)] \subseteq Z(R)$.

Suppose $[S(R), S(R)] \neq (0)$ and let $k, k_0 \in S(R)$ such that $[k, k_0] \neq 0$. Since $kk_0k \in S(R)$, we have

$$[k, kk_0k] = [k, k]k_0k + k[k, k_0]k + kk_0[k, k] = k^2[k, k_0] \in Z(R).$$

This implies that $k \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$. Therefore, R is commutative by Lemma 2.3.

Now suppose $[S(R), S(R)] = (0)$. Since by lemma 2.11 $\overline{S(R)^2}$ is a Lie ideal and a commutative subring of R , by lemma 2.2, $k^2 \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$ and hence $k \in Z(R)$ for all $k \in S(R)$. Thus, R is normal. Hence R is commutative by Lemma 2.3. \square

THEOREM 3.2. *Let R be a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution $*$ of the second kind. Let h be a homoderivation which is zero-power valued on R , then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) $h(x) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$.
- (ii) $h(x) \circ h(x^*) + x \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$.
- (iii) R is commutative.

Moreover, if $h \neq 0$ and $h(x) \circ h(x^*) \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$, implies that R is commutative.

PROOF. It is clear that (iii) implies both of (i) and (ii). So, we need to prove that (i) \Rightarrow (iii) and (ii) \Rightarrow (iii).

If $h = 0$ we get $x \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. Using Lemma 2.5 we conclude that R is commutative. Assume that $h \neq 0$.

We have:

$$(3.12) \quad h(x) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ x^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Replacing x by $x + y$ and applying (3.12), we get

$$(3.13) \quad h(x) \circ h(y^*) + h(y) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ y^* - y \circ x^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yd where $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$, and using (3.13) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & h(x) \circ h((yd)^*) + h(yd) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ ((yd)^*) - (yd) \circ x^* \in Z(R). \\ & h(x) \circ h(dy^*) + h(yd) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ (dy^*) - (yd) \circ x^* \in Z(R). \\ & h(x) \circ (h(d)h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (dh(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (h(d)y^*) + (h(y)h(d)) \circ h(x^*) + (yh(d)) \circ h(x^*) \\ & \quad + (h(y)d) \circ h(x^*) - d(x \circ y^*) - [x, d]y^* - (y \circ x^*)d - y[d, x^*] \in Z(R). \\ & h(d)(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), h(d)]h(y^*) + d(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), d]h(y^*) \\ & \quad + h(d)(h(x) \circ y^*) + [h(x), h(d)]y^* + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))h(d) + h(y)[h(d), h(x^*)] \\ & \quad + (y \circ h(x^*))h(d) + y[h(d), h(x^*)] + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))d + h(y)[d, h(x^*)] \\ & \quad - d(x \circ y^*) - [x, d]y^* - (y \circ x^*)d - y[d, x^*] \in Z(R). \\ & [h(x) \circ h(y^*) + h(y) \circ h(x^*) - x \circ y^* - y \circ x^*, r]d + [h(x) \circ (y^* + h(y^*)) \\ & \quad + (y + h(y)) \circ h(x^*), r]h(d) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in R$.

$$(3.14) \quad [h(x) \circ (y^* + h(y^*)) + (y + h(y)) \circ h(x^*), r]h(d) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Since h is zero-power valued on R , we get

$$[h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r]h(d) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

thus,

$$(3.15) \quad [h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r]Rh(d) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Since R is prime, so, either $h(d) = 0$ or $[h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r] = 0$.

If $h(d) = 0$ for all $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$, by Lemma 3.1, we have that

$$(3.16) \quad h(z) = 0 \text{ for all } z \in Z(R).$$

Replacing y by yz in (3.13) where $z \in Z(R)$

$$\begin{aligned} & h(x) \circ h(z^*y^*) + h(yz) \circ h(x^*) + (yz) \circ x^* + x \circ (z^*y^*) \in Z(R). \\ & h(x) \circ (h(z^*)h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (z^*h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (h(z^*)y^*) + (h(y)h(z)) \circ h(x^*) \\ & \quad + (yh(z)) \circ h(x^*) + (h(y)z) \circ h(x^*) + (y \circ x^*)z + y[x^*, z] + \\ & \quad \quad z^*(x \circ y^*) + [x, z^*]y^* \in Z(R). \\ & h(z^*)(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), h(z^*)]h(y^*) + z^*(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), z^*]h(y^*) \\ & \quad + h(z^*)(h(x) \circ y^*) + [h(x), h(z^*)]y^* + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))h(z) + h(y)[h(z), h(x^*)] + \\ & \quad \quad (y \circ h(x^*))h(z) + y[h(z), h(x^*)] + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))z + h(y)[z, h(x^*)] \\ & \quad \quad (y \circ x^*)z + y[x^*, z] + z^*(x \circ y^*) + [x, z^*]y^* \in Z(R). \\ & [h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r](z^* - z) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$(3.17) \quad [h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r]R(z^* - z) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

By the primeness of R , either $[h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r] = 0$ or $z^* - z = 0$. Since the involution is of the second kind so $z^* - z \neq 0$. Thus, $[h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r] = 0$ for all $r, x, y \in R$, that is,

$$(3.18) \quad h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Taking $y \in Z(R) \setminus \{0\}$ and using (3.16), we have $xy \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$, $y \in Z(R)$. By Lemma 2.1, we have $x \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. Hence, R is commutative.

Now suppose that

$$(3.19) \quad [h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yz where $z \in Z(R)$ in (3.19), we get

$$\begin{aligned} [h(x) \circ (yz)^* + (yz) \circ h(x^*), r] &= 0. \\ [h(x) \circ (z^*y^*) + (yz) \circ h(x^*), r] &= 0. \\ [z^*(h(x) \circ y^*), r] + [[h(x), z^*]y^*, r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] + [y[z, h(x^*)], r] &= 0. \\ [z^*(h(x) \circ y^*), r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] &= 0. \\ -[z^*(y^* \circ h(x)), r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] &= 0. \\ -[z^*(y^*h(x) + h(x)y^*), r] + [(yh(x^*) + h(x^*)y)z, r] &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.19), we get

$$(3.20) \quad [h(x)y + yh(x), r]R(z - z^*) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R \text{ and } z \in Z(R).$$

Since R is prime and the involution is of the second kind, so, (3.20) implies

$$(3.21) \quad [h(x)y, r] + [yh(x), r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Substituting yr for y and using (3.21), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} [h(x)yr, r] + [yrh(x), r] &= 0. \\ [h(x)y, r]r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ -[yh(x), r]r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ -y[h(x), r]r - [y, r]h(x)r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ [y, r](rh(x) - h(x)r) + y(r[h(x), r] - [h(x), r]r) &= 0. \\ y[[h(x), r], r] - [y, r][h(x), r] &= 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.22) \quad [y[h(x), r], r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by ty where $t \in R$, yields

$$\begin{aligned} [ty[h(x), r], r] &= 0. \\ ty[[h(x), r], r] + t[y, r][h(x), r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ t(y[h(x), r], r) + [y, r][h(x), r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ t[y[h(x), r], r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Since R is prime, either $[t, r] = 0$ or $[h(x), x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. By Lemma 2.9 R is commutative.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Suppose that,

$$(3.23) \quad h(x) \circ h(x^*) + x \circ x^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Replacing x by $x + y$ and using (3.23), we find that

$$(3.24) \quad h(x) \circ h(y^*) + h(y) \circ h(x^*) + y \circ x^* + x \circ y^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yd where $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$ and using (3.24), we obtain

$$h(x) \circ h(d^*y^*) + h(yd) \circ h(x^*) + (yd) \circ x^* + x \circ (d^*y^*) \in Z(R).$$

Since $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$

$$\begin{aligned} & h(x) \circ h(dy^*) + h(yd) \circ h(x^*) + (yd) \circ x^* + x \circ (dy^*) \in Z(R). \\ & h(x) \circ (h(d)h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (dh(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (h(d)y^*) + (h(y)h(d)) \circ h(x^*) \\ & \quad + (yh(d)) \circ h(x^*) + (h(y)d) \circ h(x^*) + (yd) \circ x^* + x \circ (dy^*) \in Z(R). \\ & h(d)(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), h(d)]h(y^*) + d(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), d]h(y^*) \\ & \quad + h(d)(h(x) \circ y^*) + [h(x), h(d)]y^* + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))h(d) + h(y)[h(d), h(x^*)] \\ & \quad + (y \circ h(x^*))h(d) + y[h(d), h(x^*)] + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))d + h(y)[d, h(x^*)] + (y \circ x^*)d + y[d, x^*] \\ & \quad \quad \quad + d(x \circ y^*) + [x, d]y^* \in Z(R). \\ & [h(x) \circ h(y^*) + h(x) \circ y^*, r]h(d) + [h(y) \circ h(x^*) + y \circ h(x^*), r]h(d) \\ & \quad \quad \quad + [h(x) \circ h(y^*) + h(y) \circ h(x^*) + y \circ x^* + x \circ y^*, r]d = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.25) \quad [h(x) \circ (h(y^*) + y^*) + (y + h(y)) \circ h(x^*), r]h(d) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Since h is zero-power valued on R , we have

$$(3.26) \quad [h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r]Rh(d) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Since R is prime, either $h(d) = 0$ or $[h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r] = 0$.

If $h(d) = 0$ for all $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$ by Lemma 3.1, we have that

$$(3.27) \quad h(z) = 0 \text{ for all } z \in Z(R).$$

Replacing y by yz in (3.24) where $z \in Z(R)$

$$\begin{aligned} & h(x) \circ h(z^*y^*) + h(yz) \circ h(x^*) + (yz) \circ x^* + x \circ (z^*y^*) \in Z(R). \\ & h(x) \circ (h(z^*)h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (z^*h(y^*)) + h(x) \circ (h(z^*)y^*) + (h(y)h(z)) \circ h(x^*) \\ & \quad + (yh(z)) \circ h(x^*) + (h(y)z) \circ h(x^*) + (y \circ x^*)z + y[x^*, z] + \\ & \quad \quad \quad z^*(x \circ y^*) + [x, z^*]y^* \in Z(R). \\ & h(z^*)(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), h(z^*)]h(y^*) + z^*(h(x) \circ h(y^*)) + [h(x), z^*]h(y^*) \\ & \quad + h(z^*)(h(x) \circ y^*) + [h(x), h(z^*)]y^* + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))h(z) + h(y)[h(z), h(x^*)] + \\ & \quad \quad \quad (y \circ h(x^*))h(z) + y[h(z), h(x^*)] + (h(y) \circ h(x^*))z + h(y)[z, h(x^*)] \\ & \quad \quad \quad (y \circ x^*)z + y[x^*, z] + z^*(x \circ y^*) + [x, z^*]y^* \in Z(R). \\ & \quad \quad \quad [h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r](z^* - z) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$(3.28) \quad [h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r]R(z^* - z) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

By the primeness of R , either $[h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r] = 0$ or $z^* - z = 0$. Since the involution is of the second kind, so $z^* - z \neq 0$. Then $[h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y, r] = 0$ for all $r \in R$, that is

$$(3.29) \quad h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y \in Z(R) \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Taking $y \in Z(R) \setminus \{0\}$ and using (3.27), we have $xy \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$, $y \in Z(R)$. By Lemma 2.1, we have $x \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. Hence, R is commutative.

Now suppose that

$$(3.30) \quad [h(x) \circ y^* + y \circ h(x^*), r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yz where $z \in Z(R)$ in (3.30), we get

$$\begin{aligned} [h(x) \circ (yz)^* + (yz) \circ h(x^*), r] &= 0. \\ [h(x) \circ (z^*y^*) + (yz) \circ h(x^*), r] &= 0. \\ [z^*(h(x) \circ y^*), r] + [[h(x), z^*]y^*, r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] + [y[z, h(x^*)], r] &= 0. \\ [z^*(h(x) \circ y^*), r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] &= 0. \\ -[z^*(y^* \circ h(x)), r] + [(y \circ h(x^*))z, r] &= 0. \\ -[z^*(y^*h(x) + h(x)y^*), r] + [(yh(x^*) + h(x^*)y)z, r] &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Replace x^* by x and y^* by y we get

$$(3.31) \quad [h(x)y + yh(x), r]R(z - z^*) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R \text{ and } z \in Z(R).$$

Since R is prime and the involution is of the second kind, so (3.31) implies

$$(3.32) \quad [h(x)y, r] + [yh(x), r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Substituting yr for y and using (3.32), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} [h(x)yr, r] + [yrh(x), r] &= 0. \\ [h(x)y, r]r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ -[yh(x), r]r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ -y[h(x), r]r - [y, r]h(x)r + yr[h(x), r] + [y, r]rh(x) &= 0. \\ [y, r](rh(x) - h(x)r) + y(r[h(x), r] - [h(x), r]r) &= 0. \\ y[[h(x), r], r] - [y, r][h(x), r] &= 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.33) \quad [y[h(x), r], r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by ty where $t \in R$, yields

$$\begin{aligned} [ty[h(x), r], r] &= 0. \\ ty[[h(x), r], r] + t[y, r][h(x), r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ t(y[h(x), r], r) + [y, r][h(x), r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ t[y[h(x), r], r] + [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0. \\ [t, r]y[h(x), r] &= 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Since R is prime, either $[t, r] = 0$ or $[h(x), x] = 0$ for all $x \in R$. By lemma 2.9 R is commutative. □

COROLLARY 3.1. *Let R be a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution $*$ of the second kind. Let h be a homoderivation which is zero-power valued on R , then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) $h(x) \circ h(y) - x \circ y \in Z(R)$ for all $x, y \in R$.
- (ii) $h(x) \circ h(y) + x \circ y \in Z(R)$ for all $x, y \in R$
- (iii) R is commutative.

Moreover, if $h \neq 0$ and $h(x) \circ h(y) \in Z(R)$ for all $x, y \in R$, implies that R is commutative.

In [12], Theorem 3.7, the authors proved that if R is a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution of the second kind, and d be a non-zero derivation on R . Then R is commutative if and only if $h(x) \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$ which is also equivalent to h is $*$ -centralizing on R . Applying these conditions on homoderivation, we get the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.3. *Let $(R, *)$ be a 2-torsion free prime ring with involution of the second kind, and h be a non-zero homoderivation which is zero-power valued on R . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) h is $*$ -centralizing on R .
- (ii) $h(x) \circ x^* \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$.
- (iii) R is commutative.

PROOF. It is obvious that (iii) implies both of (i) and (ii). Now, to prove that (i) \Rightarrow (iii) suppose that

$$(3.34) \quad [h(x), x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Replacing x by $x + y$ and using (3.34), we find that

$$(3.35) \quad [h(x), y^*] + [h(y), x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yd , where $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$, yields

$$[h(x), d^*y^*] + [h(yd), x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$[h(x), dy^*] + [h(yd), x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$d[h(x), y^*] + [h(x), d]y^* + [h(y)h(d), x^*] + [yh(d), x^*] + [h(y)d, x^*] \in Z(R)$$

for all $x, y \in R$.

$$(3.36) \quad \begin{aligned} d[h(x), y^*] + [h(x), d]y^* + h(y)[h(d), x^*] + [h(y), x^*]h(d) + y[h(d), x^*] + [y, x^*]h(d) \\ + h(y)[d, x^*] + [h(y), x^*]d \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

$$[h(x), y^*]d + [y, x^*]h(d) + [h(y), x^*]d + [h(y), x^*]h(d) \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

The relation (3.35), (3.36) reduces to

$$[y, x^*]h(d) + [h(y), x^*]h(d) \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$[y + h(y), x^*]h(d) \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Since h is zero-power valued on R , we have

$$(3.37) \quad [y, x^*]h(d) \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Hence $[[y, x]h(d), r] = 0$, for all $r \in R$, so

$$[y, x^*][h(d), r] + [[y, x^*], r]h(d) = 0$$

Since $h(Z(R)) \subseteq Z(R)$, so $h(d) \in Z(R)$ and

$$[[y, x^*], r]h(d) = 0.$$

Replace r by rt for all $r, t \in R$, we have

$$[[y, x^*], r]th(d) = 0 \text{ for all } r, t, x, y \in R.$$

thus,

$$(3.38) \quad [[y, x^*], r]Rh(d) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

By the primeness of R , we get $h(d) = 0$ or $[[y, x^*], r] = 0$. If $h(d) = 0$, for all $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$, by lemma 3.1, we conclude that

$$(3.39) \quad h(z) = 0 \text{ for all } z \in Z(R).$$

Substituting yz for y where $z \in Z(R)$ in (3.35), we get

$$[h(x), (yz)^*] + [h(yz), x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [h(x), z^*y^*] + [h(y)h(z), x^*] + [yh(z), x^*] + [h(y)z, x^*] \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \\ & z^*[h(x), y^*] + [h(x), z^*]y^* + h(y)[h(z), x^*] + [h(y), x^*]h(z) + y[h(z), x^*] + [y, x^*]h(z) \\ & \quad + h(y)[z, x^*] + [h(y), x^*]z \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

$$z^*[h(x), y^*] + [h(y), x^*]h(z) + [y, x^*]h(z) + [h(y), x^*]z \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

$$(3.40) \quad [h(x), y^*]z^* + [h(y), x^*]z \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

From (3.35), we have

$$[[h(x), y^*], r] + [[h(y), x^*], r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

$$(3.41) \quad inoh_1 0[[h(y), x^*], r] = -[[h(x), y^*], r] \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Using (3.35), (3.40) yields

$$[[h(x), y^*]z^*, r] + [[h(y), x^*]z, r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

$$[[h(x), y^*], r]z^* + [[h(y), x^*], r]z = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

$$[[h(x), y^*], r]z^* - [[h(x), y^*], r]z = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

$$[[h(x), y^*], r](z^* - z) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y^* by y , so

$$(3.42) \quad [[h(x), y], r](z^* - z) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Since R is prime ring, either $[[h(x), y], r] = 0$ or $z^* - z = 0$. Since the involution is of the second kind we have $z^* - z \neq 0$, then

$$(3.43) \quad [[h(x), y], r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

That is, $[h(x), x] \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$, thus, h is centralizing. By lemma 2.10 R is commutative.

If $[[y, x], r] = 0$, then $[x, x^*] \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. By Lemma 2.4 R is commutative. To prove that (ii) \Rightarrow (iii). By hypothesis, we have

$$(3.44) \quad h(x) \circ x^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

Replacing x by $x + y$ and using (3.44), we obtain

$$(3.45) \quad h(x) \circ y^* + h(y) \circ x^* \in Z(R) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

Accordingly, we get

$$(3.46) \quad [h(x) \circ y^*, r] + [h(y) \circ x^*, r] = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Replacing y by yd , where $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$, and using (3.46), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [h(x) \circ (d^*y^*), r] + [h(yd) \circ x^*, r] = 0. \\ & [h(x) \circ (dy^*), r] + [(h(y)h(d) \circ x^*, r] + [(yh(d) \circ x^*, r] + [(h(y)d) \circ x^*, r] = 0. \\ & [d(h(x) \circ y^*), r] + [[h(x), d]y^*, r] + [(h(y) \circ x^*)h(d), r] + [h(y)[x^*, h(d)], r] \\ & + [(y \circ x^*)h(d), r] + [y[h(d), x^*], r] + [(h(y) \circ x^*)d, r] + [h(y)[d, x^*], r] = 0. \\ & d[h(x) \circ y^*, r] + [h(y) \circ x^*, r]h(d) + [y \circ x^*, r]h(d) + [h(y) \circ x^*, r]d = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.46) we get

$$(3.47) \quad [(h(y) + y) \circ x^*, r]h(d) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Since h is zero-power valued on R , we get

$$(3.48) \quad [y \circ x^*, r]h(d) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

And thus

$$(3.49) \quad [y \circ x, r]Rh(d) = 0 \text{ for all } r, x, y \in R.$$

Since R is a prime, so either $[y \circ x, r] = 0$ or $h(d) = 0$. Assume $h(d) = 0$, for all $d \in Z(R) \cap H(R)$. Using Lemma 3.1, we conclude that

$$(3.50) \quad h(z) = 0 \text{ for all } z \in Z(R).$$

Replacing y by z in (3.46), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [h(x) \circ z^*, r] + [h(z) \circ x^*, r] = 0. \\ & [h(x)z^*, r] + [z^*h(x), r] = 0. \\ & 2[h(x)z^*, r] = 0. \\ & [h(x)z^*, r] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$[h(x), r]z^* = 0 \text{ for all } r, x \in R \text{ and } z \in Z(R).$$

$$(3.51) \quad \text{So; } [h(x), r]z = 0 \text{ for all } r, x \in R \text{ and } z \in Z(R).$$

Taking $r = x$ and using the primeness of R , (3.51) yields

$$(3.52) \quad [h(x), x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R.$$

By Lemma 2.9, we conclude that R is commutative.

If $[y \circ x, r] = 0$ for all $r, x, y \in R$, then replacing y by z where $z \in Z(R) \setminus \{0\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & [z \circ x, r] = 0. \\ & [zx + xz, r] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$[zx, r] + [xz, r] = 0.$$

$$z[x, r] + [x, r]z = 0.$$

$$2[x, r]z = 0 \text{ for all } r, x \in R, z \in Z(R).$$

Since R is 2-torsion free, we get $[x, r]z = 0$ for all $r, x \in R$ and $z \in Z(R) \setminus \{0\}$. Using the primeness of R , we get $[x, r] = 0$ for all $r, x \in R$ that gives the commutativity of R . \square

EXAMPLE 3.1. Let $R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$. The set R with matrix addition and multiplication is a prime ring. Let $h : R \rightarrow R$ be a zero homoderivation on R and $*$: $R \rightarrow R$ is a mapping defined as $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^* = \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$. Then $*$ is an involution of the first kind since $x^* = x$ for all $x \in Z(R)$ and $Z(R) \subseteq H(R)$. Now, $(h(x) \circ h(x^*)) \pm (x \circ x^*) \in Z(R)$ for all $x \in R$. Hence, the zero homoderivation satisfies the conditions of Theorem 3.2 but R is not commutative. Hence the hypothesis of the second kind of involution is crucial in Theorem 3.2

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