

A Note on Permuting Tri-Derivation In Near Ring

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation and permuting tri-generalized derivation in a near ring and generalize some of the results in [4], [6], [8].

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1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of a permuting tri-derivation has been introduced Öztürk in [5]. Some recent results on properties of prime rings, semi-prime rings and near rings with derivations have been investigated in several ways [2-5, 8]. In [6], Kyoo-Hong Park and Yong-Soo Jung have introduced the concept of a permuting tri-derivation of a near ring and investigated the conditions for a near ring to be commutative ring.

In this note, we introduce the concepts of permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation and permuting tri-generalized derivation of near ring and give some properties.

Throughout this paper N will be a zero-symmetric left near ring with multiplicative center Z . Recall that a near ring N is prime $xNy = \{0\}$ implies $x = 0$ or $y = 0$. For $x, y \in N$, $[x, y]$, $[x, y]_{\sigma, \tau}$ and (x, y) will denote the commutator $xy - yx$, $x\sigma(y) - \tau(y)x$ and $x + y - x - y$ respectively. A mapping $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is said to be permuting if $D(x, y, z) = D(y, x, z) = D(z, y, x) = D(x, z, y) = D(y, z, x) = D(z, x, y)$ for all $x, y, z \in N$. A mapping $d: N \rightarrow N$ defined by $d(x) = D(x, x, x)$ is called the trace of D where $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is a permuting mapping. It is obvious that, if $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is a permuting mapping which is also tri-additive (i.e., additive in all

arguments), then the trace of D satisfies the relation $d(x + y) = d(x) + 2D(x, x, y) + D(x, y, y) + D(x, x, y) + 2D(x, y, y) + d(y)$ for all $x, y \in N$. A permuting tri-additive mapping $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is called a permuting tri-derivation if $D(xw, y, z) = D(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z)$ is fulfilled for all $x, y, z, w \in N$. For the terminology used in near rings, see [7].

2. PERMUTING TRI- (σ, τ) DERIVATION

The following lemmas and theorems are necessary for the paper.

Lemma 1. [2, Lemma 3] *Let N be a prime near ring.*

- (i) *If $z \in Z - \{0\}$, then z is not a zero divisor.*
- (ii) *If $Z - \{0\}$ contains an element z for which $z + z \in Z$, then $(N, +)$ is abelian.*

Lemma 2. [6, Lemma 2.2] *Let N be a 3!-torsion free near ring. Suppose that there exists a permuting tri-additive mapping $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ such that $d(x) = 0$ for all $x \in N$, where d is the trace of D . Then we have $D = 0$.*

Lemma 3. [6, Lemma 2.3] *Let N be a 3!-torsion free prime near ring and let $x \in N$. Suppose that there exists a nonzero permuting tri-derivation*

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$D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ such that $xd(y)=0$ for all $x, y \in N$, where d is the trace of D . Then we have $x=0$.

Firstly, we introduce the definition of permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation in a near ring.

Definition 1. A permuting tri-additive mapping $D: N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is called a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation if there exist functions $\sigma, \tau: N \rightarrow N$ such that $D(xw, y, z) = D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$.

Note that if $\sigma = 1$ and $\tau = 1$ then D is a permuting tri-derivation.

Example 1. Let $(N, +)$ be the Klein's four group with multiplication defined as following

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	0	a	a
b	0	a	b	c
c	0	a	b	c

Define a map D on N by

$$D(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} b, & x, y, z \notin \{0, a\} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

If we take $\sigma(0) = \sigma(a) = 0, \sigma(b) = b, \sigma(c) = c$ and $\tau(x) = 0$ for all $x \in N, D$ is a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation on N . But, since

$$D(ba, b, c) = D(b, b, c)a + bD(a, b, c) = a$$

and

$$D(ba, b, c) = D(a, b, c) = 0,$$

D is not permuting tri-derivation.

Throught this paper, σ and τ will represent automorphisms of N .

Lemma 4. Let N be a 3!-torsion free prime near ring, D a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N and d the trace of D . If $xd(N) = \{0\}$ for all $x \in N$, then $x = 0$ or $D = 0$.

Proof. Using same method in proof of Lemma 2, we have $xD(w, y, z) = 0$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$. Replacing z by $zv, v \in N$, to get $x\tau(z)D(w, y, v) = 0$ for all $x, y, z, w, v \in N$. Since τ is an automorphism of N , we get $xND(w, y, v) = \{0\}$. Again N is prime near ring, we have $x = 0$ or $D = 0$.

Lemma 5. Let N be a near ring. D is a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N if and only if $D(xw, y, z) = \tau(x)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$.

Proof. Let D be a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N . Since σ is an automorphism, we get for all $x, y, z, w \in N$,

$$\begin{aligned} D(x(w+w), y, z) &= D(x, y, z)\sigma(w+w) + \tau(x)D(w+w, y, z) \\ &= D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z) \\ &\quad + \tau(x)D(w, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} D(x(w+w), y, z) &= D(xw+xw, y, z) = D(xw, y, z) + D(xw, y, z) \\ &= D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) \\ &\quad + \tau(x)D(w, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above two equality, we find that

$$D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z) = \tau(x)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)$$

Hence we have

$$D(xw, y, z) = \tau(x)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) \text{ for all } x, y, z, w \in N. \text{ Converse can be proved in a similar way.}$$

Lemma 6. Let N be a near ring, D a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N . Then, for all $x, y, z, w, v \in N$,

$$(i) [D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)]v = D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)v + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)v,$$

$$(ii) [\tau(x)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)]v =$$

$$\tau(x)D(w, y, z)v + D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)v$$

Proof. (i) Let D be a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N . Since σ and τ are automorphisms, we get for all $x, y, z, t, w \in N$,

$$\begin{aligned} D((xw)t, y, z) &= D(xw, y, z)\sigma(t) + \tau(xw)D(t, y, z) \\ &= [D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)]\sigma(t) \\ &\quad + \tau(x)\tau(w)D(t, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} D(x(wt), y, z) &= D(x, y, z)\sigma(wt) + \tau(x)D(wt, y, z) \\ &= D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)\sigma(t) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)\sigma(t) \\ &\quad + \tau(x)\tau(w)D(t, y, z). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above two equality, we find that

$$[D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)]\sigma(t) = D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)\sigma(t) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)\sigma(t)$$

Therefore, we have

$$[D(x, y, z)\sigma(w) + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)]v = D(x, y, z)\sigma(w)v + \tau(x)D(w, y, z)v$$

for all $x, y, z, w, v \in N$.

(ii) It can be proved in a similar way.

Lemma 7. Let N be a prime near-ring, D a nonzero permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N . Then

$$D(N, N, N)x = \{0\} \text{ for all } x \in N \text{ implies } x = 0.$$

Proof. Suppose $D(y, z, w)x = 0$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$. Then taking yv instead of y , we have

$$0 = D(y, z, w)\sigma(v)x + \tau(y)D(v, z, w)x = D(y, z, w)\sigma(v)x$$

Since σ is an automorphism, we have $D(y, z, w)Nx = \{0\}$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$. Since N is prime near ring and D is nonzero, this implies $x = 0$.

Theorem 1. Let N be a prime near ring, D is a nonzero permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N . If $D(N, N, N) \subseteq Z$, then N is a commutative ring.

Proof. Since $D(N, N, N) \subseteq Z$ and D is a nonzero permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N , then there exist nonzero elements $x, y, z \in N$ such that $D(x, y, z) \in Z - \{0\}$. Then $D(x+x, y, z) = D(x, y, z) + D(x, y, z) \in Z$ and hence $(N, +)$ is abelian by Lemma 1. $D(x, y, z) \in Z$ for $x, y, z \in N$, implies that $D(x, y, z)w = wD(x, y, z)$ for all $w \in N$. Hence replace xv with x to get

$$(2.1) \quad D(x, y, z)\sigma(v)w + \tau(x)D(v, y, z)w = wD(x, y, z)\sigma(v) + w\tau(x)D(v, y, z)$$

Taking $\sigma(v)$ instead of w , we have

$$D(x, y, z)\sigma(v)\sigma(v) + \tau(x)D(v, y, z)\sigma(v) = \sigma(v)D(x, y, z)\sigma(v) + \sigma(v)\tau(x)D(v, y, z)$$

Since $D(N, N, N) \subseteq Z$, we get

$$D(v, y, z)[\tau(x), \sigma(v)] = 0$$

for all $x, y, z, v \in N$.

Since Z contains no nonzero divisors of zero, we see that for each $v \in N$, either $D(v, y, z) = 0$ or $[\tau(x), \sigma(v)] = 0$ for all $x, y, z \in N$. If $D(v, y, z) = 0$, then $D(x, y, z)[w, \sigma(v)] = 0$ from (2.1). Since N is prime near ring and $D \neq 0$, $[w, \sigma(v)] = 0$. Since σ is an automorphism, N is commutative near ring. If $[\tau(x), \sigma(v)] = 0$ for all $x, v \in N$, then N is commutative ring, since σ and τ are automorphisms.

Theorem 2. Let N be a 3!-torsion free prime near-ring, D a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N and d the trace of D . If $d(x)\sigma(y) = \tau(x)d(y)$ for all $x, y \in N$, then $d = 0$.

Proof. Assume that $d(x)\sigma(y) = \tau(x)d(y)$ for all $x, y \in N$. Replacing y by $y+z$, $z \in N$ in hypothesis, we get

$$d(x)\sigma(y+z) = \tau(x)d(y+z)$$

$$d(x)\sigma(y) + d(x)\sigma(z) = \tau(x)d(y) + 2\tau(x)D(y, y, z) + \tau(x)D(y, z, z) + \tau(x)D(y, y, z) + 2\tau(x)D(y, z, z) + \tau(x)d(z)$$

and so

$$(2.2) \quad 2D(y, y, z) + D(y, z, z) + D(y, y, z) + 2D(y, z, z) = 0$$

since τ is an automorphism and N is prime near ring.

Replacing y by $-y$ in (2.2), it follows that

$$(2.3) \quad 2D(y, y, z) - D(y, z, z) + D(y, y, z) - 2D(y, z, z) = 0$$

On the other hand, replacing y by $z+y$, $z \in N$ in hypothesis, we get

$$d(x)\sigma(z+y) = \tau(x)d(z+y)$$

$$d(x)\sigma(z) + d(x)\sigma(y) = \tau(x)d(z) + 2\tau(x)D(z, z, y) + \tau(x)D(z, y, y) + \tau(x)D(z, z, y) + 2\tau(x)D(z, y, y) + \tau(x)d(y)$$

and so

$$(2.4) \quad 2D(z, z, y) + D(z, y, y) + D(z, z, y) + 2D(z, y, y) = 0$$

since τ is an automorphism and N is prime near ring.

Comparing (2.2) with (2.3), we get

$$2D(y, z, z) + D(y, y, z) + D(y, z, z) + 2D(y, y, z) = D(y, y, z) - 3D(y, z, z) + 2D(y, y, z)$$

for all $y, z \in N$. From (2.4), we have

$$(2.5) \quad D(y, y, z) - 3D(y, z, z) + 2D(y, y, z) = 0$$

Replacing y by $-y$ in (2.5), we get

$$(2.6) \quad D(y, y, z) + 3D(y, z, z) + 2D(y, y, z) = 0$$

Combining (2.5) and (2.6), we obtain $D(y, z, z) = 0$ for all $y, z \in N$. Replacing z by $z+x$, $x \in N$, we get $D(x, y, z) = 0$ for all $x, y, z \in N$. Thus, $D = 0$. That is, $d = 0$.

Theorem 3. Let N be a 3!-torsion free prime near ring, D a permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation of N and d the trace of D . If $d(x), d(x) + d(x) \in C(D(N, N, N))$ for all $x \in N$, then $(N, +)$ is abelian.

Proof. Assume that

$$(2.7) \quad d(x), d(x) + d(x) \in C(D(y, v, w))$$

for all $y, v, w \in N$.

From (2.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} D(y+t, v, w)(d(x)+d(x)) &= (d(x)+d(x))D(y+t, v, w) \\ &= (d(x)+d(x))D(y, v, w) + (d(x)+d(x))D(t, v, w) \\ &= d(x)D(y, v, w) + d(x)D(y, v, w) + d(x)D(t, v, w) \\ &\quad + d(x)D(t, v, w) \\ &= d(x)[D(y, v, w) + D(y, v, w) + D(t, v, w) + D(t, v, w)] \\ &= [D(y, v, w) + D(y, v, w) + D(t, v, w) + D(t, v, w)]d(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} D(y+t, v, w)(d(x)+d(x)) &= D(y+t, v, w)d(x) + D(y+t, v, w)d(x) \\ &= D(y, v, w)d(x) + D(t, v, w)d(x) + D(y, v, w)d(x) \\ &\quad + D(t, v, w)d(x) \\ &= [D(y, v, w) + D(t, v, w) + D(y, v, w) + D(t, v, w)]d(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y, t, v, w \in N$. Comparing last two equations, $D((y, t), v, w)d(x) = 0$, for $x, y, t, v, w \in N$.

Replacing y by yz and t by yt , $z \in N$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= D(y(z, t), v, w) \\ &= D(y, v, w)\sigma(z, t) + \tau(y)D((z, t), v, w) \\ &= D(y, v, w)\sigma(z, t). \end{aligned}$$

Since D is a nonzero permuting tri- (σ, τ) -derivation and N is prime ring, we have $\sigma(z, t) = 0$. Since σ is an automorphism, $(z, t) = 0$ for all $z, t \in N$. Thus, $(N, +)$ is abelian.

3. PERMUTING TRI-GENERALIZED DERIVATION

Definition 2. Let N be a near ring and $D : N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ a permuting tri-derivation of N . A permuting tri-additive map $F : N \times N \times N \rightarrow N$ is said to be a permuting tri-right (resp. left) generalized derivation of N associated with D if $F(xw, y, z) = F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z)$ (resp. $F(xw, y, z) = D(x, y, z)w + xF(w, y, z)$) for all $x, y, z, w \in N$.

Also, F is said to be a permuting tri-generalized derivation of N with D if it is both a permuting tri-right and permuting tri-left generalized derivation of N associated with D .

Lemma 8. Let N be a 3!-torsion free prime near ring, D a permuting tri-derivation of N , F a permuting tri-additive mapping of N and f the trace of F . Then

(i) If F is a permuting tri-right generalized derivation of N associated with D and $xf(y) = 0$ for all $y \in N$, then $x = 0$ or $D = 0$.

(ii) If F is a permuting tri-generalized derivation of N associated with D and $xf(y) = 0$ for all $y \in N$, then $x = 0$ or $F = 0$.

Proof. (i) Using the same method in proof of Lemma 2, we have

$$(3.1) \quad xF(y, z, w) = 0$$

for all $y, z, w \in N$. Hence replace y by yv , $v \in N$, to get $xyD(v, z, w) = 0$ for all $y, z, v, w \in N$. Since N is a prime near ring, we have $x = 0$ or $D = 0$.

(ii) Let x be a nonzero element of N . Thus from (i), we obtain $D = 0$. Replacing y by yv , $v \in N$ in (3.1) and from $D = 0$, we get $xyF(v, z, w) = 0$ for all $y, z, v, w \in N$. Since N is prime and $x \neq 0$, we have that $F = 0$.

Lemma 9. Let N be a near ring, D a permuting tri-derivation of N and F a permuting tri-additive mapping of N . Then, for all $y, z, x, w \in N$, the following are equivalent,

$$(i) \quad F(xw, y, z) = F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z)$$

$$(ii) \quad F(xw, y, z) = xD(w, y, z) + F(x, y, z)w$$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Assume that

$$F(xw, y, z) = F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z) \text{ for all } y, z, x, w \in N. \text{ Then}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(x(w+w), y, z) &= F(x, y, z)(w+w) + xD(w+w, y, z) \\ &= F(x, y, z)w + F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z) \\ &\quad + xD(w, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(x(w+w), y, z) &= F(xw+xw, y, z) = F(xw, y, z) + F(xw, y, z) \\ &= F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z) + F(x, y, z)w \\ &\quad + xD(w, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above two equality, we find that

$$F(x, y, z)w + xD(w, y, z) = xD(w, y, z) + F(x, y, z)w$$

Hence we have $F(xw, y, z) = xD(w, y, z) + F(x, y, z)w$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) This is proved in similar way.

Lemma 10. Let N be a near ring, D a permuting tri-derivation of N , F a permuting tri-additive mapping of N and f the trace of F . Then for all

$$x, y, z, w, v \in N,$$

$$(i) \quad [F(x, y, z)v + xD(v, y, z)]w =$$

$$F(x, y, z)vw + xD(v, y, z)w,$$

(ii) $[f(x)v + xD(x, x, v)]w = f(x)vw + xD(x, x, v)w,$

(iii) $[xD(v, y, z) + F(x, y, z)v]w =$
 $xD(v, y, z)w + F(x, y, z)vw,$

(iv) $[xD(x, x, v) + f(x)v]w =$
 $xD(x, x, v)w + f(x)vw$

Proof. (i) Suppose that

$F(xv, y, z) = F(x, y, z)v + xD(v, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z, v \in N$. From the associative law,

$$\begin{aligned} F((xv)w, y, z) &= F(xv, y, z)w + xvD(w, y, z) \\ &= [F(x, y, z)v + xD(v, y, z)]w \\ &\quad + xvD(w, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(x(vw), y, z) &= F(x, y, z)vw + xD(vw, y, z) \\ &= F(x, y, z)vw + xD(v, y, z)w \\ &\quad + xvD(w, y, z). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above two equality, we find that

$$[F(x, y, z)v + xD(v, y, z)]w = F(x, y, z)vw + xD(v, y, z)w$$

(ii) Substituting x for y and z in (i), we obtain that

$$[f(x)v + xD(x, x, v)]w = f(x)vw + xD(x, x, v)w.$$

The proof of (iii) and (iv) are straight forward from Lemma 9.

Theorem 4. Let N be a 2,3-torsion free prime near ring, D a nonzero permuting tri-derivation and F a nonzero permuting tri-right generalized derivation of N associated with D . If $F(N, N, N) \subseteq Z$, then N is a commutative ring.

Proof. Since $F(N, N, N) \subseteq Z$ and F is nonzero, there exist nonzero elements $x, y, z \in N$ such that

$F(x, y, z) \in Z - \{0\}$. Then $F(x+x, y, z) = F(x, y, z) + F(x, y, z) \in Z$ and hence $(N, +)$ is abelian by Lemma 1. $F(x, y, z) \in Z$ for $x, y, z \in N$, implies that $F(x, y, z)w = wF(x, y, z)$ for all $w \in N$. Hence replace xv with x to get

$$(3.2) F(x, y, z)vw + xD(v, y, z)w = wF(x, y, z)v + wxD(v, y, z)$$

Replacing x by $rf(x)$ in (3.2) and from (3.2), we have

$$(3.3) rD(f(x), y, z)[v, w] = 0$$

for all $x, y, z, v, r, w \in N$.

Now, suppose that N is not commutative. In this case, N is a prime near ring and (3.3), we obtain

$$(3.4) D(f(x), y, z) = 0$$

for all $x, y, z \in N$. Substituting $x+v$ for x in (3.4), since N is 2,3-torsion free and from (3.4), we get that

$$(3.5) D(F(x, v, v), y, z) = 0$$

Taking $v+r$ instead of v in (3.5) and from (3.5), we have

$$(3.6) D(F(x, v, r), y, z) = 0$$

since N is 2-torsion free.

Taking xw instead of x in (3.6) and from (3.6), we have

$$(3.7) F(x, v, r)D(w, y, z) + D(x, y, z)D(w, v, r) + xD(D(w, v, r), y, z) = 0$$

Substituting $f(r)$ for r in (3.7) and from (3.7), we get

$$(3.8) F(f(r), x, v) = 0$$

Taking $r+s, s \in N$ instead of r in (3.8) and from (3.8), we obtain

$$(3.9) F(F(r, r, s), x, v) = 0$$

since N is 2,3-torsion free. Substituting $r+z, z \in N$ for r in (3.9) and from (3.9), we have

$$(3.10) F(F(r, z, s), x, v) = 0$$

since N is 2-torsion free.

Replacing r by rw in (3.10) and from (3.10), we get for all $r, z, s, x, v, w \in N$,

$$(3.11) F(r, z, s)D(w, z, v) + F(r, x, v)D(w, z, s) + rD(D(w, z, s), x, v) = 0$$

Substituting $f(r)$ for r in (3.11) and from (3.8), we get

$$f(r)D(D(w, z, s), x, v) = 0.$$

Since N is a prime near ring and $F \neq 0$, we have

$$(3.12) D(D(w, z, s), x, v) = 0$$

Taking wy instead of w in (3.12) and from (3.12), we get

$$(3.13) D(w, z, s)D(y, x, v) + D(w, x, v)D(y, z, s) = 0$$

for all $x, y, s, z, w, v \in N$.

Replacing x, z, s, v by w in (3.13), since N is 2-torsion free prime near ring, we get

$$(3.14) d(w)D(y, w, w) = 0$$

for all $y, w \in N$.

Taking yr instead of y in (3.14) and from (3.14), we get

$$d(w)yD(r, w, w) = 0$$

and so

$$d(w)yd(w) = 0$$

for all $y, w \in N$. Since N is prime near ring, we get $D = 0$. But this is a contradiction. Consequently, N is commutative ring.

Theorem 5. Let N be a 2,3-torsion free prime near ring, D a nonzero permuting tri-derivation of N and F a nonzero permuting tri-right generalized derivation of N associated with D . If $f(x)$, $f(x) + f(x) \in C(D(y, z, w))$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$, then $(N, +)$ abelian and $f(x) \in Z$ for all $x \in N$.

Proof. Since $f(x)$, $f(x) + f(x) \in C(D(y, z, w))$ for all $x, y, z, w \in N$, if both u and $u + u$ commute elementwise with $D(y, z, w)$ for all $y, z, w \in N$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & [D(y, z, w) + D(v, z, w)](u + u) \\ &= D(y, z, w)u + D(y, z, w)u + D(v, z, w)u + D(v, z, w)u \end{aligned}$$

and on the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} & [D(y, z, w) + D(v, z, w)](u + u) \\ &= D(y, z, w)u + D(v, z, w)u + D(y, z, w)u + D(v, z, w)u. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the two expression, we get

$$(3.15) \quad D((y, v), z, w)u = 0$$

Taking $f(t)$ instead of u in (3.15), we get $D((y, v), z, w) = 0$ for all $y, v, z, w \in N$. Since $s(y, v)$ is also an additive-group commutator for any $s \in N$, replacing (y, v) by $s(y, v)$ in the last equation, we obtain

$$D(s, z, w)(y, v) = 0$$

for all $s, z, w, y, v \in N$. Since N is a prime near ring and $D \neq 0$, we have $(y, v) = 0$ for all $y, v \in N$, that is $(N, +)$ abelian.

Since $f(x) \in C(D(y, z, w))$,

$$f(x)D(y, z, w) = D(y, z, w)f(x), \text{ for all } x, y, z, w \in N.$$

Taking yv instead of y in this equation, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.16) \quad & f(x)D(y, z, w)v + f(x)yD(v, z, w) \\ &= D(y, z, w)f(x) + yD(v, z, w)f(x) \end{aligned}$$

Replacing y by $d(y)$ in (3.16) and from hypothesis, we get

$$(3.17) \quad D(d(y), z, w)[v, f(x)] = 0$$

for all $x, y, z, w, v \in N$.

Substituting zt for z in (3.17), we get

$$D(d(y), z, w)[v, f(x)] = 0.$$

Since N is a prime near ring, $D(d(y), z, w) = 0$ or $[v, f(x)] = 0$ for all $x, y, z, w, v \in N$.

Suppose that $D(d(y), z, w) = 0$ for all $y, z, w \in N$.

Taking $y + v$ instead of y in the last equation, we get

$$D(d(y), z, w) + D(d(v), z, w) + 3D(D(y, v, v), z, w) + 3D(D(y, v, v), z, w) = 0.$$

Since $D(d(y), z, w) = 0$, we get

$$(3.18) \quad D(D(y, v, v), z, w) + D(D(y, v, v), z, w) = 0$$

since N is 3-torsion free.

Replacing y by $-y$ in (3.18), we have

$$(3.19) \quad D(D(y, v, v), z, w) - D(D(y, v, v), z, w) = 0.$$

Combining (3.18) and (3.19), we obtain

$$(3.20) \quad D(D(y, v, v), z, w) = 0,$$

since N is 2-torsion free.

Replacing y by yx , $x \in N$ in (3.20) and from (3.20), we have

$$(3.21) \quad D(y, v, v)D(x, z, w) + D(y, z, w)D(x, v, v) = 0$$

Taking xt instead of x , $t \in N$ in (3.21), we get

$$D(y, v, v)xD(t, z, w) + D(y, z, w)xD(t, v, v) = 0$$

Replacing v by t, z, w, y in the last equation we get $d(v)xd(v) = 0$ for all $x, v \in N$. Since N is prime near ring $d(v) = 0$, and so $D = 0$. But, since $D \neq 0$, we get $f(x) \in Z$.

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