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**REMARKS ON  $\ast - (\sigma, \tau) -$  LIE IDEALS OF  $\ast -$ PRIME RINGS WITH DERIVATION**

ABSTRACT. Let  $R$  be a  $\ast$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2,  $U$  a nonzero  $\ast - (\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ ,  $d$  a nonzero derivation of  $R$ . Suppose  $\sigma, \tau$  be two automorphisms of  $R$  such that  $\sigma d = d\sigma$ ,  $\tau d = d\tau$  and  $\ast$  commutes with  $\sigma, \tau, d$ . In the present paper it is shown that if  $d(U) \subseteq Z$  or  $d^2(U) \subseteq Z$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .

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**1. Introduction**

Let  $R$  will be an associative ring with center  $Z$ . Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  two mappings from  $R$  into itself. For any  $x, y \in R$ , we write  $[x, y]$  and  $[x, y]_{\sigma, \tau}$ , for  $xy - yx$  and  $x\sigma(y) - \tau(y)x$  respectively and make extensive use of basic commutator identities:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [x, yz] &= y[x, z] + [x, y]z \\
 [xy, z] &= [x, z]y + x[y, z] \\
 [xy, z]_{\sigma, \tau} &= x[y, z]_{\sigma, \tau} + [x, \tau(z)]y = x[y, \sigma(z)] + [x, z]_{\sigma, \tau}y \\
 [x, yz]_{\sigma, \tau} &= \tau(y)[x, z]_{\sigma, \tau} + [x, y]_{\sigma, \tau}\sigma(z).
 \end{aligned}$$

We set  $C_{\sigma, \tau} = \{c \in R \mid c\sigma(x) = \tau(x)c \text{ for all } x \in R\}$  and call it  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -center of  $R$ . Note that  $C_{1,1} = Z(R)$ , where  $1 : R \rightarrow R$  is the identity map. An additive subgroup  $U$  of  $R$  is said to be a Lie ideal of  $R$  if  $[U, R] \subseteq U$ . Kaya [4] first introduced the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal as following: Let  $U$  be an additive subgroup of  $R$ ,  $\sigma, \tau : R \rightarrow R$  be two mappings. Then (i)  $U$  is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -right Lie ideal of  $R$  if  $[U, R]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq U$ . (ii)  $U$  is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -left Lie ideal of  $R$  if  $[R, U]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq U$ . (iii)  $U$  is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$  if  $U$  is both

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a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -right Lie ideal and  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -left Lie ideal of  $R$ . Every Lie ideal of  $R$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -left (and right) Lie ideal of  $R$ , where  $1 : R \rightarrow R$  is the identity map of  $R$ . But there exist  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideals which are not Lie ideals (Such an example due to [4]).

Recall that a ring  $R$  is prime if  $xRy = 0$  for  $x, y \in R$  implies  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ . An additive mapping  $*$  :  $R \rightarrow R$  is called an involution if  $(xy)^* = y^*x^*$  and  $(x^*)^* = x$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . A ring equipped with an involution is called a ring with involution or  $*$ -ring. A ring with an involution is said to  $*$ -prime if  $xRy = xRy^* = 0$  or  $xRy = x^*Ry = 0$  for  $x, y \in R$  implies that  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ . Every prime ring with an involution is  $*$ -prime but the converse need not hold general. An example due to Oukhtite [9] justifies the above statement that is,  $R$  be a prime ring,  $S = R \times R^o$  where  $R^o$  is the opposite ring of  $R$ . Define involution  $*$  on  $S$  as  $(x, y)^* = (y, x)$ .  $S$  is  $*$ -prime, but not prime. This example shows that  $*$ -prime rings constitute a more general class of prime rings. In all that follows the symbol  $S_*(R)$ , first introduced by Oukhtite, will denote the set of symmetric and skew symmetric elements of  $R$ , i.e.  $S_*(R) = \{x \in R \mid x^* = \pm x\}$ . An  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$  is said to be a  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal if  $U$  is invariant under  $*$ , i.e.  $U^* = U$ .

Following Posner [10], an additive mapping  $d : R \rightarrow R$  is called a derivation if  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . Many results in the literature indicate that the global structure of a ring  $R$  is often tightly connected to the behavior of additive mappings defined on  $R$ . For example derivations with certain properties investigated in various papers. Bergen et al. proved the following results in [3]: Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic different from 2,  $U$  a nonzero Lie ideal of  $R$  and  $d$  a nonzero derivation. If  $d(U) \subseteq Z$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ . In [5], Lee and Lee proved that if  $R$  is a prime ring of characteristic different from 2,  $U$  a nonzero Lie ideal of  $R$  and  $d$  a nonzero derivation such that  $d^2(U) \subseteq Z$  then  $U \subseteq Z$ . Further, the above results were extended to  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideals of  $R$  in [1] and [11]. Oukhtite et al. showed that these results are valid for  $*$ -prime rings in [8]. In this paper our objective is to generalize the above results for a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not two.

## 2. Results

**Lemma 1** ([12], Lemma 2.8). *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -left Lie ideal of  $R$  such that  $\tau$  commutes with  $*$ . If  $U \subseteq C_{\sigma, \tau}$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Lemma 2** ([12], Theorem 2.11). *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$  such that  $\tau$  commutes with  $*$ . If  $a \in S_*(R)$  and  $[U, a] = 0$  then  $a \in Z$  or  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Lemma 3** ([2], Theorem 2.10). *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ ,  $d$  a nonzero derivation of  $R$  such that  $d\tau = \tau d$ ,  $\sigma d = d\sigma$  and  $*$  commutes with  $\sigma, \tau$  and  $d$ . If  $d^2(U) = (0)$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -left Lie ideal of  $R$  such that  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  commutes with  $*$ . If  $[R, U]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq Z$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Proof.** For any  $x \in R$ ,  $u \in U$ , we get  $[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in Z$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x\sigma(u)$ ,  $u \in U$  in the this equation, we obtain

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma(u) \in Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U$$

and so

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma(u) r = r [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma(u), \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

By the hypothesis, we have

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} [\sigma(u), r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Again using the hypothesis, we obtain

$$(1) \quad [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R [\sigma(u), r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Assume that  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . In (1), replacing  $r^*, u^*$  instead of  $r, u$  respectively, and using  $*\sigma = \sigma*$ , we get

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R ([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

Thus,

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R [\sigma(u), r] = [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R ([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0,$$

for all  $x, r \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R)$

By the  $*$ -primeness of  $R$ , we have

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0 \text{ or } [\sigma(u), r] = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

Now, let  $[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0$ , for all  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . For any  $u \in U$ , we find that  $u - u^* \in U \cap S_*(R)$ , and so  $[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = [x, u^*]_{\sigma, \tau}$ , for all  $u \in U, x \in R$ . In (1), taking  $r^*, u^*$  instead of  $r, u$  respectively and using  $*\sigma = \sigma*$ , we get

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R ([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

On the other hand, we get  $[\sigma(u), r] = 0$ , for all  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . For any  $u \in U$ , again taking  $u - u^* \in U \cap S_*(R)$ , and so,  $[\sigma(u), r] = [\sigma(u^*), r]$  for all

$r \in R, u \in U$ . Replacing  $r$  by  $r^*$  in (1) and using this equation,  $\sigma^* = *\sigma$ , we have

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Hence we find that

$$(2) \quad [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

for any cases. By (1) and (2), we get

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R[\sigma(u), r] = [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} R([\sigma(u), r])^* = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Since  $R$  is  $*$ -prime ring and  $\sigma$  is automorphism, we obtain

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0 \text{ or } u \in Z \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

We set  $K = \{u \in U \mid [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0\}$  and  $L = \{u \in U \mid u \in Z\}$ . Clearly each of  $K$  and  $L$  is additive subgroup of  $U$ . Moreover,  $U$  is the set-theoretic union of  $K$  and  $L$ . But a group can not be the set-theoretic union of its two proper subgroups, hence  $K = U$  or  $L = U$ . In the former case,  $U \subseteq C_{\sigma, \tau}$ . By Lemma 1, we have  $U \subseteq Z$ . In the latter case,  $U \subseteq Z$ . This completes the proof.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ ,  $d$  a nonzero derivation of  $R$  such that  $d\tau = \tau d, \sigma d = d\sigma$  and  $*$  commutes with  $\sigma, \tau$  and  $d$ . If  $d(U) \subseteq Z$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Proof.** For any  $x \in R, u, v \in U$  and  $[d(v)x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in U$ . Thus we have

$$d([d(v)x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = d(d(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + [d(v), \tau(u)]x) = d(d(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) \in Z$$

and so

$$d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + d(v)d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) \in Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Using the hypothesis, we get

$$d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Since  $d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in Z$ , we have

$$d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} r = r d^2(v)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Again using hypothesis, we obtain that

$$d^2(v)[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u, v \in U,$$

and so

$$d^2(v)R[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Replacing  $v$  by  $v^*$  in last equation and using  $d^* = *d$ , we have

$$(d^2(v))^* R[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Combining the last two equations and using the  $*$ -primeness of  $R$ , we arrive at

$$d^2(v) = 0 \text{ or } [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

In the former case, we get  $U \subseteq Z$  by Lemma 3. In the latter case,  $[R, U]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq Z$ , and so,  $U \subseteq Z$  by Lemma 4. This completes the proof. ■

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ ,  $d$  a nonzero derivation of  $R$  such that  $*$  commutes with  $\sigma, \tau, d$ . If  $a \in S_*(R)$ ,  $d(Z) \neq 0$  and  $[d(U), a]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0$ , then  $a \in Z$  or  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Proof.** Choose  $\alpha \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha) \neq 0$ . It is easily seen that  $\alpha, d(\alpha), d(\alpha^*) \in Z$  and  $0 \neq d(\alpha)^* = d(\alpha^*)$ . For all  $x \in R, u \in U$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}\alpha), a]_{\sigma, \tau} = [d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})\alpha + [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}d(\alpha), a]_{\sigma, \tau} \\ &= [d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}), a]_{\sigma, \tau}\alpha + d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})[\alpha, \sigma(a)] \\ &\quad + [[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}d(\alpha) + [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}[d(\alpha), \sigma(a)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the hypothesis and  $\alpha, d(\alpha) \in Z$ , we obtain

$$[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}d(\alpha) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U$$

and so for all  $\alpha \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha) \neq 0$ , we get

$$[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}Rd(\alpha) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Arguing the same ways above and using  $*$  commutes with  $d$  and  $\alpha^* \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha^*) \neq 0$ , we obtain that

$$[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}Rd(\alpha)^* = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U$$

Hence we get

$$[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}Rd(\alpha) = [[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau}Rd(\alpha)^* = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Since  $R$  is  $*$ -prime ring and  $0 \neq d(\alpha) \in Z$ , we see that

$$(3) \quad [[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, a]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Substituting  $x\sigma(u)$  for  $x$  in (3) and using this equation, we obtain

$$[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $\tau(y)x$ ,  $y \in R$  in the last equation and using this equation, we get

$$(4) \quad \tau([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } y \in R, u \in U.$$

Suppose that  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . Taking  $y^*$  instead of  $y$  in (4) and using  $\tau^* = *\tau$ , we have

$$\tau^*([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

That is,

$$\tau([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = \tau^*([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } y \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

Since  $R$  is a  $*$ -prime ring and  $\sigma, \tau$  are automorphisms, we get

$$u \in Z \text{ or } [u, a] = 0, \text{ for all } u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

This implies that  $[u, a] = 0$ , for all  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ .

Assume that  $u \in U$ . We know that  $u - u^* \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . The last equation gives that  $[u, a] = [u^*, a]$ , for all  $u \in U$ . Replacing  $y, u$  by  $y^*, u^*$  respectively in (4) and using  $\tau^* = *\tau$ , we get

$$(5) \quad \tau^*([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } y \in R, u \in U.$$

By (4) and (5), we get

$$\tau^*([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = \tau([y, u]) R\sigma([u, a]) = 0, \text{ for all } y \in R, u \in U.$$

Since  $R$  is a  $*$ -prime ring and  $\sigma, \tau$  are automorphisms, we get

$$u \in Z \text{ or } [u, a] = 0, \text{ for all } u \in U.$$

We have  $[U, a] = 0$  for any cases. Hence we arrive at  $a \in Z$  or  $U \subseteq Z$  by Lemma 2. This the proof is completed.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $R$  be a  $*$ -prime ring with characteristic not 2 and 3,  $U$  a nonzero  $*$ - $(\sigma, \tau)$ -Lie ideal of  $R$ ,  $d$  a nonzero derivation of  $R$  such that  $d\tau = \tau d, \sigma d = d\sigma$  and  $*$  commutes with  $\sigma, \tau$  and  $d$ . If  $d(U) \subseteq U$  and  $d^2(U) \subseteq Z$ , then  $U \subseteq Z$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $d(Z) = (0)$ . This implies that

$$d^3(U) = d(d^2(U)) \subseteq d(Z) = (0).$$

For any  $x \in R$ ,  $u \in U$  and  $\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in U$ , we get

$$d^3(\tau(u)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Expanding this equation by using  $d\tau = \tau d$  and  $d^3(U) = (0)$ , we arrive at

$$0 = 3(d^2(\tau(u))d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) + d(\tau(u))d^2([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau})).$$

Since  $\text{char}R \neq 3$ , we obtain

$$d^2(\tau(u))d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) + d(\tau(u))d^2([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Replacing  $u$  by  $d(u)$  in the last equation and using  $\tau d = d\tau$ ,  $d^3(U) = 0$ , we have

$$d^2(\tau(u))d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

By the hypothesis, we have

$$(6) \quad d^2(\tau(u))Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Assume that  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . In (6), replacing  $u$  by  $u^*$  and using  $\ast$  commutes with  $\tau$  and  $d$ , we get

$$d^2(\tau(u))^*Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

This yields that

$$d^2(\tau(u))Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = (d^2(\tau(u)))^*Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0,$$

for all  $x, r \in R$ ,  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . The  $\ast$ -primeness of  $R$  gives

$$d^2(\tau(u)) = 0 \text{ or } d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U \cap S_*(R).$$

Now, let  $d^2(\tau(u)) = 0$  for all  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . For any  $u \in U$ , we know that  $u - u^* \in U \cap S_*(R)$ , and so  $d^2(\tau(u)) = d^2(\tau(u^*))$  for all  $u \in U$ . By using the last equation in (6) and using  $\ast$  commutes with  $\tau$  and  $d$ , we get

$$(d^2(\tau(u)))^*Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

On the other hand, we get  $d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0$ , for all  $u \in U \cap S_*(R)$ . For any  $u \in U$ , again taking  $u - u^* \in U \cap S_*(R)$ , and so,  $d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) =$

$d^2([x, d(u^*)]_{\sigma, \tau})$ , for all  $x \in R, u \in U$ . Replacing  $u$  by  $u^*$  in (6) and using this equation,  $*$  commutes with  $\tau$  and  $d$ , we arrive at

$$(d^2(\tau(u)))^* Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Hence we find that

$$(7) \quad (d^2(\tau(u)))^* Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

for any cases. By (6) and (7), we get

$$d^2(\tau(u))Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = (d^2(\tau(u)))^* Rd^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0,$$

for all  $x \in R, u \in U$ . Since  $R$  is  $*$ -prime ring,  $\tau$  is automorphism and  $d\tau = \tau d$ , we obtain

$$d^2(u) = 0 \text{ or } d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Let us define  $K = \{u \in U | d^2(u) = 0\}$  and  $L = \{u \in U | d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R\}$ . Clearly, both  $K$  and  $L$  are additive subgroups of  $U$ . Moreover,  $U$  is the set-theoretic union of  $K$  and  $L$ . But a group cannot be the set-theoretic union of two proper subgroups. Hence  $K = U$  or  $L = U$ . If  $K = U$  then  $U \subseteq Z$  by Lemma 3. So, we have  $L = U$ . That is,

$$(8) \quad d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $\tau(d(u))x$  in (8) and using  $\tau d = \tau d$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d^2([\tau(d(u))x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = d^2(\tau(d(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) \\ &= \tau(d^3(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} + 2\tau(d^2(u))d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) \\ &\quad + \tau(d(u))d^2([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}). \end{aligned}$$

By equation (8) and  $d^3(U) = (0)$ ,  $\text{char}R \neq 2$ , we get

$$\tau(d^2(u))d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Using the same arguments after equation (6), we have

$$d^2(u) = 0 \text{ or } d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Let  $M = \{u \in U | d^2(u) = 0\}$  and  $N = \{u \in U | d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0, \forall x \in R\}$ . Each of  $M$  and  $N$  is an additive subgroup of  $U$  such that  $U = M \cup N$ . The above trick gives us  $U = M$  or  $U = N$ . In the former case,  $d^2(U) = 0$ , which forces  $U \subseteq Z$  by Lemma 3. If  $U = N$ , then  $d([x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau}) = 0$  for all  $u \in U$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $\tau(d(u))x$  in this equation, we have

$$\tau(d^2(u))[x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$



Using  $d^2(u) \in Z$  and again applying the above trick, we obtain that  $[x, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} = 0$ . Writing  $x$  by  $xy, y \in R$  in this equation and using the last equation, we have

$$0 = [xy, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} = x[y, d(u)]_{\sigma, \tau} + [x, \sigma(d(u))]y = [x, \sigma(d(u))]y,$$

and so

$$[x, \sigma(d(u))]R = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x^*, u$  by  $u^*$  and using  $*$  commutes with  $\sigma$  and  $d$ , we get

$$([x, \sigma(d(u))]^*)R = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Thus we have

$$[x, \sigma(d(u))]R = ([x, \sigma(d(u))]^*)R = 0, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Since  $R$  is a  $*$ -prime ring and  $\sigma$  is an automorphism, we obtain  $d(U) \subseteq Z$ . Theorem 1 gives that  $U \subseteq Z$ . Hence the proof is completed in the case of  $d(Z) = (0)$ .

Now, we suppose that  $d(Z) \neq (0)$ . Choose  $\alpha \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha) \neq 0$ . For any  $x \in R, u \in U$  and  $[\alpha x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} = \alpha[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in U$ . By the hypothesis, we have

$$d^2(\alpha[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) = d^2(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) + \alpha d^2([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) \in Z$$

and so

$$(9) \quad d^2(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}) \in Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u \in U.$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x\alpha$  in (9), we get

$$(d^2(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} + 2d(\alpha)d([x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}))\alpha + 2d(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}d(\alpha) \in Z.$$

Using equation (9), we obtain

$$d(\alpha)[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}d(\alpha) \in Z.$$

That is  $(d(\alpha))^2[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \in Z$  and so

$$(d(\alpha))^2[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}r = r(d(\alpha))^2[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Again using hypothesis, we arrive at

$$(d(\alpha))^2[[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U,$$

and so for all  $\alpha \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha) \neq 0$ , we have

$$(d(\alpha))^2 R [[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Arguing the same ways above and using  $*$  commutes with  $d$  and  $\alpha^* \in Z$  such that  $d(\alpha^*) \neq 0$ , we have

$$\left( (d(\alpha))^2 \right)^* R [[x, u]_{\sigma, \tau}, r] = 0, \text{ for all } x, r \in R, u \in U.$$

Combining the last two equations and using the  $*$ -primeness of  $R$ , we arrive at

$$(d(\alpha))^2 = 0 \text{ or } [x, u]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq Z, \text{ for all } x \in R, u, v \in U.$$

Since  $0 \neq d(\alpha) \in Z$ , we must have  $[R, U]_{\sigma, \tau} \subseteq Z$ . Lemma 4 yields that  $U \subseteq Z$ . This completes the proof. ■

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