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## JORDAN STRUCTURE ON PRIME RINGS WITH CENTRALIZERS

**Abstract.** Our object in this paper is to study the generalization of Borut Zalar result in [1] on Jordan centralizer of semiprime rings by prove the following result: Let  $R$  be a prime of characteristic different from 2, and  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$ . If  $T$  is an additive mapping from  $R$  to itself satisfying the following condition

$$T(ur + ru) = uT(r) + T(r)u,$$

then  $T(ur) = uT(r)$ , for all  $r \in R$ ,  $u \in U$ .

### 1. Introduction

Let  $R$  be an associative ring with the center  $Z$ .  $R$  is called prime ring if  $aRb = 0$  implies  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$  and semiprime if  $aRb = 0$  implies  $a = 0$ . An additive subgroup  $U$  of  $R$  is said to be a Jordan ideal of  $R$  if  $ur + ru \in U$ , for all  $u \in U$ ,  $r \in R$ . An additive mapping  $T : R \rightarrow R$  which satisfies  $T(xy) = T(x)y$  ( $T(xy) = xT(y)$ ), for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $T$  is left (right) centralizer. A centralizer is both left and right centralizer. Many studies were done on Jordan structure of an associative ring and also on Jordan structure of an associative ring with derivation see [2], [3], [5], [6]. But now we want to study the Jordan structure of an associative ring with centralizer. If we introduce a new product in  $R$  given by  $x \circ y = xy + yx$ , then Jordan derivation is an additive mapping  $D$  which satisfies

$$D(x \circ y) = D(x) \circ y = x \circ D(y), \text{ for all } x, y \in R$$

and Jordan homomorphism is an additive mapping  $A$  which satisfies

$$A(x \circ y) = A(x) \circ A(y), \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

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Therefore we can define Jordan centralizer to be an additive mapping  $T$  which satisfies

$$T(x \circ y) = T(x) \circ y = T(x) \circ y = x \circ T(y), \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

An easy computation shows that every centralizer is Jordan centralizer. In [1] Borut Zalar proved that every Jordan centralizer of semiprime ring of characteristic different from 2 is a centralizer. Our object in this paper is to study the generalization of this result on Jordan ideal of prime ring by proving the following result; Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic different from 2, and  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$ . Let  $T$  be an additive mapping from  $R$  to itself satisfying the following condition

$$T(ur + ru) = uT(r) + T(r)u,$$

then  $T(ur) = uT(r)$ , for all  $r \in R, u \in U$ .

Now we must give some useful theorems need it to prove the main theorem in this paper.

**THEOREM A [5].** *Let  $R$  be a semiprime ring of 2-torsion free, then any non-zero Jordan ideal of  $R$  contains a non-zero ideal of  $R$ .*

**THEOREM B [2].** *Let  $R$  be a semiprime ring of 2-torsion free. Suppose that  $a \in R$ , such that  $a$  commutes with every  $[a, x]$ ,  $x \in R$ , then  $a \in Z$ .*

**THEOREM C [7].** *Let  $R$  be a semiprime ring of characteristic different from 2, and  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$ , suppose that  $t \in R$ , such that  $t$  commute with  $u^2$  for all  $u \in U$ , then  $t$  commute with every element of  $U$ .*

**THEOREM D [7].** *Let  $R$  be a semiprime ring of characteristic different from 2, and  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$ . Suppose that  $t \in R$ , such that  $t$  commutes with every element of  $[U, U]$ , then  $t$  commutes with every element of  $U$ .*

## 2. Results

Let  $R$  be an associative prime ring of characteristic different from 2,  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$ , and  $T$  be an additive mapping from  $R$  into itself satisfying the condition

$$T(ur + ru) = uT(r) + T(r)u, \text{ for all } r \in R, u \in U. \quad (*)$$

In particular, if  $r = u$  in equation  $(*)$ , then we get

$$2T(u^2) = T(u)u + uT(u), \text{ for all } u \in U.$$

Put

$$(u)^r = T(ur) - uT(r), \text{ for all } r \in R \text{ and } u \in U,$$

and

$$(r)^u = T(ru) - T(r)u, \text{ for all } r \in R \text{ and } u \in U.$$

So we can show by using equation (\*) that:  $(u)^r = -(r)^u$ .

The following lemmas help us to prove the main theorem in this paper.

LEMMA 1. For all  $r \in R$  and  $u \in U$ ,  $T(uru) = uT(r)u$ .

Proof. In (\*), replace  $r$  by  $u.2r + 2ru$ , then we get

$$\begin{aligned} T(u(u.2r + 2ru) + (u.2r + 2ru)u) &= uT(u.2r + 2ru) + T(u.2r + 2ru)u, \\ T(2u^2r + 4uru + 2ru^2) &= 2u^2T(r) + 4uT(r)u + 2T(r)u^2, \\ T(2u^2.r + r.2u^2) + 4T(uru) &= 2u^2T(r) + 4uT(r)u + 2T(r)u^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $2u^2 \in U$  we have

$$2u^2T(r) + T(r)2u^2 + 4T(uru) = 2u^2T(r) + 4uT(r)u + 2T(r)u^2.$$

Then

$$4T(uru) = 4uT(r)u.$$

Since the characteristic of  $R$  is different from 2, we get

$$T(uru) = uT(r)u, \text{ for all } r \in R, u \in U. \blacksquare$$

If we replace  $u$  by  $u + v$  in last equation, we get the following

COROLLARY 1. For all  $u, v, r \in R$

$$T(urv + vru) = uT(r)v + vT(r)u.$$

LEMMA 2 ([5]). For any  $t \in R$ , if  $tv^2 + v^2t = 0$  for all  $v \in U$ , then  $t = 0$ .

LEMMA 3. For all  $v \in U$  and  $r \in R$ ,  $[v^2, r](v^2)^r = 0$  and  $(v^2)^r[v^2, r] = 0$ .

Proof. Since  $T(ur + ru) = uT(r) + T(r)u$ , for all  $r \in R$ ,  $u \in U$ , we get  $2T(u^2) = uT(u) + T(u)u$ , for all  $u \in U$ . Then by using Theorem 1 in [4]  $T$  is centralizer on  $U$ .

$$\text{i.e. } (T(uv) - T(u)v) = 0, \text{ for all } u \in U.$$

$$\text{i.e. } (uv - vu)(T(uv) - T(u)v) = 0.$$

Replace  $u$  by  $2vr + 2rv$ , for all  $r \in R$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} ((2vr + 2rv)v - v(2vr + 2rv))(T((2vr + 2rv)v) - T(2vr + 2rv)v) &= 0, \\ (2vr + 2rv)(T(2vr + 2rv) - 2vT(r)v - 2T(r)v^2) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By using Lemma 1, we have

$$(2rv^2 - 2v^2r)(T(2rv^2) - 2T(r)v^2) = 0.$$

By using the relation  $(u)^r = -(r)^u$  for all  $u \in U$  and  $r \in R$ , we get

$$(2v^2r - 2rv^2)(T(2v^2r) - 2v^2T(r)) = 0.$$

Since  $R$  has characteristic different from 2, we get

$$(v^2r - rv^2)(T(v^2r) - v^2T(r)) = 0,$$

i.e.  $[v^2, r](v^2)^r = 0$ , for all  $v \in U$  and  $r \in R$ . Similarly, we can prove  $(v^2)^r [v^2, r] = 0$ . ■

After replacing  $r$  by  $r + s$  for all  $s \in R$  in Lemma 3 we get the following:

COROLLARY 2.

1.  $[u^2, r](u^2)^s + [u^2, s](u^2)^r = 0$ .
2.  $(u^2)^s[u^2, r] + (u^2)^r[u^2, s] = 0$ , for all  $u \in U$  and  $r, s \in R$ .

LEMMA 4. For all  $u \in U$  and  $r \in R$ ,  $(u^2)^r = 0$ .

Proof. By (2) of Corollary 2, we have

$$(1) \quad (u^2)^s[u^2, r] + (u^2)^r[u^2, s] = 0, \quad \text{for all } u \in U \text{ and } r, s \in R.$$

So

$$[u^2, z](u^2)^r[u^2, s] + [u^2, z](u^2)^s[u^2, r] = 0.$$

By equation (1), we have

$$(2) \quad [u^2, r](u^2)^s[u^2, z] + [u^2, z](u^2)^s[u^2, r] = 0.$$

Replace  $z$  by  $zt$  in equation (2) and by Jacobi's identities, we get

$$[u^2, r](u^2)^s(z[u^2, t] + [u^2, z]t) + (z[u^2, t] + [u^2, z]t)(u^2)^s[u^2, r] = 0.$$

By equation (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & [u^2, r](u^2)^s z[u^2, t] - z[u^2, r](u^2)^s[u^2, t] - \\ & - [u^2, z](u^2)^s[u^2, r]t + [u^2, z](u^2)^s[u^2, r] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} & [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, t] + [u^2, z](t(u^2)^s[u^2, r] - (u^2)^s[u^2, r]t) = 0, \\ & [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, t] + [u^2, z](-t(u^2)^r[u^2, s] - (u^2)^r[u^2, s]t) = 0, \\ (3) \quad & [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, t] + [u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], t] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Replace  $z$  by  $[u^2, z]$  in equation (3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & [u^2, z][u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], t] + z[u^2, [u^2, z]][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], t] + \\ & + z[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, [u^2, z]][u^2, t] + [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, z][u^2, t] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In view of equation (3), we get

$$[u^2, z][u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], t] + [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, z][u^2, t] = 0.$$

Again in view of equation (3), we get

$$-[u^2, z][[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, t] + [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, z][u^2, t] = 0,$$

i.e.

$$(4) \quad [[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]][u^2, t] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, t, z \in R, u \in U.$$

Replace  $t$  by  $ct$  in equation (4) and by Jacobi's identities, we get

$$[[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]][u^2, ct] = 0,$$

$$(5) \quad [[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]](c[u^2, t] + [u^2, c]t) = 0.$$

In view of equation (4), the second term is zero and equation (5) becomes

$$[[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]]R[u^2, t] = 0.$$

Since  $R$  is prime ring, so

$$\text{either } [u^2, t] = 0, \text{ for all } t \in R \text{ or } [[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]] = 0.$$

If  $[u^2, t] = 0$ , then  $u^2 \in Z$ . So,  $(u^2)^r = 0$ , for all  $u \in U$  and  $r \in R$ . If

$$[[[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z], [u^2, z]] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, z \in R, u \in U,$$

i.e.

$$(6) \quad [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, z] = [u^2, z][[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z].$$

Put  $t = z$  in equation (3), we get

$$[u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], z] + [[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z][u^2, z] = 0.$$

In view of equation (6), the last equation becomes

$$[u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s], z] + [u^2, z][[u^2, r](u^2)^s, z] = 0.$$

By Jacobi's identities, we get

$$[u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s] + [u^2, r](u^2)^s, z] = 0.$$

By equation (1), we get

$$[u^2, z][(u^2)^r[u^2, s] - [u^2, s](u^2)^r, z] = 0,$$

i.e.

$$[u^2, z][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], z] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, z \in R, u \in U.$$

Linearized on  $z$ , we get

$$(7) \quad [u^2, z][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], t] + [u^2, t][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], z] = 0,$$

for all  $r, s, t, z \in R, u \in U$ . Replace  $t$  by  $u^2t$  in equation (7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & [u^2, z](u^2[[u^2, s], (u^2)^r], t) + [[u^2, s], (u^2)^r][u^2, t] \\ & + ([u^2, u^2]t + u^2[u^2, t])[[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], z] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $[u^2, u^2] = 0$ , then the third term is zero, and in view of equation (7) second term is zero so the last equation becomes

$$u^2[u^2, t][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], z] + [u^2, z]u^2[[u^2, s], (u^2)^r], t = 0,$$

and in view of equation (7), we get

$$-u^2[u^2, z][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], t] + [u^2, z]u^2[[u^2, s], t] = 0,$$

i.e.

$$[[u^2, z], u^2][[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]], t] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, t, z \in R, u \in U.$$

Then

$$[[u^2, z], u^2]R[[u^2, s], t] = 0.$$

Since  $R$  is prime ring, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{either } [[u^2, z], u^2] = 0, \text{ for all } u \in U, r \in R, \\ &\text{or } [[u^2, z], u^2]R[[u^2, s], t] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, t \in R, u \in U. \end{aligned}$$

If

$$[[u^2, z], u^2] = 0, \text{ i.e. } [u^2, [u^2, z]] = 0,$$

by Theorem B, we get  $u^2 \in Z$ , then  $(u^2)^r = 0$  for all  $u \in U, r \in R$ .

If

$$[[u^2, z], u^2]R[[u^2, s], t] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, t \in R, u \in U,$$

then  $[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] \in Z$ , i.e.  $(u^2)^r[u^2, s] - [u^2, s](u^2)^r \in Z$ . Put  $\alpha = (u^2)^r[u^2, s]$  and  $\beta = [u^2, s](u^2)^r$ . Now, trivially we have  $\alpha^2 = 0$  and  $\beta^2 = 0$ , so  $(\alpha - \beta)^3 = \beta\alpha\beta - \alpha\beta\alpha$ . Now, since  $[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] \in Z$ , then

$$[u^2, s][(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] = [(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]][u^2, s].$$

By expanding and using Corollary 2 and Lemma 3 itself, we get

$$(8) \quad -[u^2, s][u^2, s](u^2)^r = (u^2)^r[u^2, s][u^2, s].$$

And also, from  $[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] \in Z$ , we get

$$(u^2)^r[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] = [(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]](u^2)^r.$$

Also, by expanding and using Lemma 3 and Corollary 2, we get

$$(9) \quad (u^2)^r(u^2)^r[u^2, s] = -[u^2, s](u^2)^r(u^2)^r.$$

Now,

$$\alpha\beta = ((u^2)^r[u^2, s])([u^2, s](u^2)^r).$$

By equation (8), we get

$$\alpha\beta = -[u^2, s][u^2, s](u^2)^r(u^2)^r,$$

by equation (9), we get

$$\alpha\beta = ([u^2, s](u^2)^r)((u^2)^r[u^2, s]) = \beta\alpha.$$

So,  $(\alpha - \beta)^3 = 0$ . Now, since  $R$  is prime ring and  $\alpha - \beta \in Z$ , then  $\alpha - \beta = 0$ , i.e.

$$(10) \quad [(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s \in R, u \in U.$$

If we replace  $s$  by  $st$  in the equation (10), we get

$$[(u^2)^r, s[u^2, t]] + [u^2, s]t = 0.$$

By Jacobi's identities, we get

$$[(u^2)^r, s[u^2, t]] + [(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]t] = 0.$$

Also Jacobi's identities yields

$$s[(u^2)^r, [u^2, t]] + [(u^2)^r, s][u^2, t] + [(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]]t + [u^2, s][(u^2)^r, t] = 0.$$

In view of equation (10), the first and third terms of the last equation are zero so, we get

$$[(u^2)^r, s][u^2, t] + [u^2, s][(u^2)^r, t] = 0,$$

for all  $r, s, t \in R, u \in U$ . Put  $s = [u^2, s]$  in last equation, we get

$$[(u^2)^r, [u^2, s]][u^2, t] + [u^2, [u^2, s]][(u^2)^r, t] = 0.$$

Again by equation (10), we get

$$[u^2, [u^2, s]][(u^2)^r, t] = 0, \text{ for all } r, s, t \in R, u \in U.$$

So,

$$[u^2, [u^2, s]]R[(u^2)^r, t] = 0.$$

Since  $R$  is prime ring, so either  $[u^2, [u^2, s]] = 0$  or  $[(u^2)^r, t] = 0$ .

If  $[u^2, [u^2, s]] = 0$  for all  $s \in R, u \in U$ , then by Theorem B we obtain that  $u^2 \in Z$  and hence  $(u^2)^r = 0$  for all  $r \in R, u \in U$ . In case  $[(u^2)^r, t] = 0$ , for all  $t \in R$ . i.e.  $(u^2)^r \in Z$ . Then by Lemma 3

$$(u^2)^r[u^2, r] = 0, \text{ for all } r \in R, u \in U.$$

So, if for some  $u$  and  $r$ ,  $(u^2)^r \neq 0$ , since  $R$  is prime ring, then  $[u^2, r] = 0$ , so  $u^2 \in Z$ . We get  $(u^2)^r = 0$ . Hence  $(u^2)^r = 0$ , for all  $u \in U, r \in R$ . ■

Now, we can prove the main theorem in this paper which state:

**THEOREM.** *Let  $R$  be a prime ring of characteristic different from 2,  $U$  be a Jordan ideal of  $R$  and  $T : R \rightarrow R$  be an additive mapping such that*

$$T(ur + ru) = uT(r) + T(r)u, \quad (*)$$

for all  $u \in U, r \in R$ . Then

$$T(ur) = uT(r), \quad \text{for all } u \in U, r \in R.$$

**Proof.** Replace  $r$  by  $ur$  in equation (\*), then

$$(1) \quad T(uur + uru) = uT(ur) + T(ur)u$$

So,

$$(2) \quad T(uur + uru) = T(u^2r + uru) = T(u^2r) + uT(r)u$$

But, by Lemma 4

$$(u^2)^r = 0 = T(u^2r) - u^2T(r), \quad \text{for all } u \in U, r \in R,$$

i.e.  $T(u^2r) = u^2T(r)$ . So, equation (2) becomes

$$(3) \quad T(u^2r + uru) = u^2T(r) + uT(r)u.$$

By comparing equation (1) and (3), we get

$$u^2T(r) + uT(r)u = uT(ur) + T(ur)u.$$

$$u(uT(r) - T(ur)) = (T(ur) - uT(r))u.$$

$$u.(u)^r + (u)^r.u = 0, \text{ for all } u \in U, r \in R.$$

Linearizing the above equation on  $u$ , we get

$$u.(v)^r + v.(u)^r + (u)^r.v + (v)^r.u = 0.$$

Replace  $v$  by  $2v^2$ , and use Lemma 4, we get

$$2v^2.(u)^r + 2(u)^r.v^2 = 0,$$

i.e.

$$v^2.(u)^r + (u)^r.v^2 = 0, \text{ for all } u, v \in U, r \in R,$$

and so by Lemma 2, we get  $(u)^r = 0$ , for all  $u \in U, r \in R$ , i.e.  $T(ur) = uT(r)$ , for all  $u \in U, r \in R$ . ■

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