

JORDAN HIGHER DERIVATIONS IN PRIME Γ -RINGS

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Abstract

The objective of this paper is to study Jordan higher derivations in prime Γ -rings. We introduce a higher derivation and a Jordan higher derivation in Γ -rings. For a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring M which satisfies the condition $a\alpha b\beta c = a\beta b\alpha c$ for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, we prove that every Jordan higher derivation $D = (d_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of M is a higher derivation of M .

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Introduction

We begin with the general definition of a Γ -ring. The notion of a Γ -ring was introduced by Nobusawa (1964) and generalized by Barnes (1966) as defined below. Let M and Γ be additive abelian groups. If there is a mapping $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$ such that the conditions

- $(x + y)\alpha z = x\alpha z + y\alpha z, x(\alpha + \beta)y = x\alpha y + x\beta y, x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z;$
- $(x\alpha y)\beta z = x\alpha(y\beta z)$

are satisfied for all $x, y, z \in M, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, then M is called a Γ -ring. This concept is more general than that of a ring. From the definition it is clear that every ring is a Γ -ring but the converse is not necessarily true. A Γ -ring M is 2-torsion free if $2a = 0$ implies $a = 0$ for all $a \in M$; M is called a prime Γ -ring if for all $a, b \in M, a\Gamma M\Gamma b = 0$ implies $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

The concepts of derivation and Jordan derivation of a Γ -ring have been introduced by Sapani and Nakajima (1997). For classical ring theory, Herstein (1957) proved a well known result that every Jordan derivation of a 2-torsion free prime ring is a derivation. Bresar (1988) proved this result for semiprime rings. Sapani and Nakajima (1997) proved the same result for completely prime Γ -rings. Haetinger (2002) worked on higher derivations on prime rings and extended this result to Lie ideals in a prime ring. In this article, we introduce a higher derivation and a Jordan higher derivation in Γ -rings. We extend the result of Cortes and Haetinger (2005) concerning Jordan higher derivations in prime Γ -rings. We prove that every Jordan higher derivation of a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring satisfying the condition $a\alpha b\beta c = a\beta b\alpha c$ for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, is a higher derivation of M .

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Throughout the article, we assume the condition $a\alpha b\beta c = a\beta b\alpha c$ for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ and refer it to by (*).

Jordan Derivations in a Prime Γ -ring

The notions of derivation and Jordan derivation of Γ -rings have been introduced by Sapanci and Nakajima (1997) as follows.

Definition 1. For a Γ -ring M , if $d : M \rightarrow M$ is an additive mapping such that $d(a\alpha b) = d(a)\alpha b + a\alpha d(b)$ holds for all $a, b \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then d is called a derivation of M ; d is called a Jordan derivation of M if $d(a\alpha a) = d(a)\alpha a + a\alpha d(a)$ holds for all $a \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

First, we show that every Jordan derivation of a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring is a derivation. For this purpose we prove the following Lemmas.

Lemma 1. Let M be a Γ -ring, and let d be a Jordan derivation of M . Then for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, the following statements hold:

- (i) $d(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) = d(a)\alpha b + d(b)\alpha a + a\alpha d(b) + b\alpha d(a)$
- (ii) $d(a\alpha b\beta a + a\beta b\alpha a) = d(a)\alpha b\beta a + d(a)\beta b\alpha a + a\alpha d(b)\beta a + a\beta d(b)\alpha a + a\alpha b\beta d(a) + a\beta b\beta d(a)$.

In particular, if M is 2-torsion free and satisfies the condition (*), then

- (iii) $d(a\alpha b\beta a) = d(a)\alpha b\beta a + a\alpha d(b)\beta a + a\alpha b\beta d(a)$
- (iv) $d(a\alpha b\beta c + c\alpha b\beta a) = d(a)\alpha b\beta c + d(c)\alpha b\beta a + a\alpha d(b)\beta c + c\alpha d(b)\beta a + a\alpha b\beta d(c) + c\alpha b\beta d(a)$.

Proof. Compute $d((a+b)\alpha(a+b))$ and cancel the like terms from both sides to obtain (i).

Then replace $a\beta b + b\beta a$ for b in (i) to get (ii). Using the condition (*), and since M is 2-torsion free, (iii) follows from (ii). Finally, (iv) is obtained by replacing $a+c$ for a in (iii).

Definition 2. Let d be a Jordan derivation of a Γ -ring M . Then for all $a, b \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, we define $\phi_\alpha(a, b) = d(a\alpha b) - d(a)\alpha b - a\alpha d(b)$. Thus

$\phi_\alpha(b, a) = d(b\alpha a) - d(b)\alpha a - b\alpha d(a)$. **Lemma 2.** Let d be a Jordan derivation of a Γ -ring M . Then for all $a, b, c \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, the following statements hold:

- (i) $\phi_\alpha(a, b) + \phi_\alpha(b, a) = 0$; (ii) $\phi_\alpha(a + b, c) = \phi_\alpha(a, c) + \phi_\alpha(b, c)$
 (iii) $\phi_\alpha(a, b + c) = \phi_\alpha(a, b) + \phi_\alpha(a, c)$; (iv) $\phi_{\alpha+\beta}(a, b) = \phi_\beta(a, b) + \phi_\alpha(a, b)$.

Proof. Obvious.

Remark 1. d is a derivation of a Γ -ring M if and only if $\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ for all $a, b \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Lemma 3. Let M be a 2-torsion free Γ -ring satisfying the condition (*), and let d be a Jordan derivation of M . Then $\phi_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta m\gamma\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ for all $a, b, m \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$.

Proof. For any $a, b, m \in M$ and $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$, by using Lemma 1(iv), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(a\alpha b\beta m\gamma b\alpha + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma a\alpha) &= d((a\alpha b)\beta m\gamma b\alpha + (b\alpha a)\beta m\gamma(a\alpha)) \\ &= d(a\alpha b)\beta m\gamma b\alpha + a\alpha b\beta d(m)\gamma b\alpha + a\alpha b\beta m\gamma d(b\alpha), \\ &\quad + d(b\alpha a)\beta m\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha a\beta d(m)\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma d(a\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by using Lemma 1 (iii)

$$\begin{aligned} d(a\alpha(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha + b\alpha(a\beta m\gamma a)\alpha) &= d(a\alpha(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha) + d(b\alpha(a\beta m\gamma a)\alpha) \\ &= d(a)\alpha b\beta m\gamma b\alpha + a\alpha d(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha + a\alpha b\beta m\gamma b\alpha d(a) \\ &\quad + d(b)\alpha a\beta m\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha d(a\beta m\gamma a)\alpha + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma a\alpha d(b) \\ &= d(a)\alpha b\beta m\gamma b\alpha + a\alpha d(b)\beta m\gamma b\alpha + a\alpha b\beta d(m)\gamma b\alpha \\ &\quad + a\alpha b\beta m\gamma d(b)\alpha + a\alpha b\beta m\gamma b\alpha d(a) + d(b)\alpha a\beta m\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha d(a) \\ &\quad \beta m\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha a\beta d(m)\gamma a\alpha + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma d(a)\alpha + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma a\alpha d(b). \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the two relations and using the Definition 2, we obtain

$$\phi_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma b\alpha + \phi_\alpha(b, a)\beta m\gamma a\alpha + a\alpha b\beta m\gamma\phi_\alpha(b, a) + b\alpha a\beta m\gamma\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0.$$

This implies that

$$\phi_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta m\gamma\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0, \forall a, b, m \in M \text{ and } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$$

Lemma 4. Let M be a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring and let $a, b \in M$.

If $a\alpha m\beta b + b\alpha m\beta a = 0$ for all $m \in M, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

Proof. Replacing m by $s\delta a\mu t$ in $a\alpha m\beta b + b\alpha m\beta a = 0$, we have $a\alpha s\delta a\mu t\beta b + b\alpha s\delta a\mu t\beta a = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } b\alpha s\delta a &= -a\alpha s\delta b \text{ and } a\mu t\beta b = -b\mu t\beta a. \text{ Substituting these we get} \\ &-a\alpha s\delta b\mu t\beta a - a\alpha s\delta b\mu t\beta a = 0. \\ &\Rightarrow 2a\alpha s\delta b\mu t\beta a = 0. \end{aligned}$$

As M is 2-torsion free, so $a\alpha s\delta b\mu t\beta a = 0$.

Therefore, $(a\alpha s\delta b)\Gamma M\Gamma a = 0$. As M is prime, so $a\alpha s\delta b = 0$ or $a = 0$.

Suppose $a\alpha s\delta b = 0$. Again applying the primeness of M , we have $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

Theorem 1. Let M be a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring satisfying the condition (*), and let d be a Jordan derivation of M . Then d is a derivation of M .

Proof. By Lemma 3 and Lemma 4, and M being prime, we have

$$\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0 \text{ or } [a, b]_\alpha = 0.$$

If $[a, b]_\alpha = 0$ for all $a, b \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$, then $a\alpha b = b\alpha a$. Using this in Lemma 1(i), we have

$$2d(a\alpha b) = 2d(a)\alpha b + 2a\alpha d(b). \text{ Since } M \text{ is 2-torsion free, we obtain } d \text{ is a derivation of } M.$$

If $\phi_\alpha(a, b) = 0$, then d is also a derivation of M .

Jordan Higher Derivations in Prime Γ -Rings

We introduce higher derivation and Jordan higher derivation of Γ -rings in the following way.

Definition 3. Let $D = (d_i)_{i \in N_0}$ be a family of additive mappings of a Γ -ring M such that $d_0 = id_M$, where id_M is an identity mapping on M and $N_0 = N \cup \{0\}$. Then D is a higher derivation of M if for each $n \in N_0$ and $i, j \in N_0$,

$$d_n(a\alpha b) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b), \text{ holds for all } a, b \in M; \alpha \in \Gamma,$$

D is a Jordan higher derivation of M if

$$d_n(a\alpha a) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(a), \text{ holds for all } a \in M; \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Example 1. Let R be an associative ring with 1. Let us consider $M = M_{1,2}(R)$ and

$$\Gamma = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} n.1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}, \text{ then } M \text{ is a } \Gamma\text{-ring. Let } f_n : R \rightarrow R \text{ be a higher derivation for each}$$

$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. For $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we define additive mappings $d_n : M \rightarrow M$ by $d_n((a, b)) = (f_n(a), f_n(b))$. Then an easy verifications leads to us that d_n is a higher derivation of M . Let $P = \{(a, a) : a \in R\}$, then P is a Γ -ring contained in M . In fact, P is a sub Γ -ring. Define $d_n((a, a)) = (f_n(a), f_n(a))$, then d_n is a Jordan higher derivation of P .

Lemma 5. Assume that $D = (d_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Jordan higher derivation of M . Then for all $a, b, c \in M; \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

- (i) $d_n(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) = \sum_{i+j=n} [d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) + d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a)]$;
- (ii) $d_n(a\alpha b\beta a) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} [d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a)]$;
- (iii) $d_n(a\alpha b\beta c + c\alpha b\beta a) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} [d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(c) + d_i(c)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a)]$.

Proof. The proofs of (i) and (ii) are similar to the proofs of Lemma 1(i) and Lemma 1(iii). Replacing a by $a + c$ in (ii) and using (ii), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} W &= d_n((a+c)\alpha b\beta(a+c)) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(a+c)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a+c) \\ &= \sum_{i+j+k=n} (d_i(a) + d_i(c))\alpha d_j(b)\beta (d_k(a) + d_k(c)) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a) \\ &+ \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(c) + \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(c)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a) + \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(c)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(c). \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W &= d_n(a\alpha b\beta a + a\alpha b\beta c + c\alpha b\beta a + c\alpha b\beta c) \\ &= d_n(a\alpha b\beta a) + d_n(c\alpha b\beta c) + d_n(a\alpha b\beta c + c\alpha b\beta a) \\ &= \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(a) + \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(c)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(c) + d_n(a\alpha b\beta c + c\alpha b\beta a). \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the two expressions for W , we obtain (iii).

Definition 4 For any Jordan higher derivation $D = (d_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ of M , we define

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = d_n(a\alpha b) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) \text{ for all } a, b \in M; \alpha \in \Gamma \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Remark 2. D is a higher derivation of M if and only if $\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0$ holds for all $a, b \in M; \alpha \in \Gamma$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Lemma 6. For every $a, b, c \in M; \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \phi_n^\alpha(a, b) + \phi_n^\alpha(b, a) &= 0; & \text{(ii)} \quad \phi_n^\alpha(a + b, c) &= \phi_n^\alpha(a, c) + \phi_n^\alpha(b, c) \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \phi_n^\alpha(a, b + c) &= \phi_n^\alpha(a, b) + \phi_n^\alpha(a, c); & \text{(iv)} \quad \phi_n^{\alpha+\beta}(a, b) &= \phi_n^\alpha(a, b) + \phi_n^\beta(a, b). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. (i) By Definition 4 and using Lemma 5(i), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_n^\alpha(a, b) + \phi_n^\alpha(b, a) &= d_n(a\alpha b) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) + d_n(b\alpha a) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a) \\ &= d_n(a\alpha b + b\alpha a) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a) \\ &= \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) + \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) \\ &\quad - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) By Definition 4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_n^\alpha(a + b, c) &= d_n((a + b)\alpha c) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a + b)\alpha d_j(c) \\ &= d_n(a\alpha c + b\alpha c) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(c) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(c) \\ &= d_n(a\alpha c) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(c) + d_n(b\alpha c) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(c) \\ &= \phi_n^\alpha(a, c) + \phi_n^\alpha(b, c). \end{aligned}$$

(iii)-(iv): The proofs are straight forward.

Lemma 7. Suppose $D = (d_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Jordan higher derivation of a Γ -ring M . Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and assume that $a, b \in M; \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$. If $\phi_m^\alpha(a, b) = 0$, for every $m < n$, then

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0, \text{ for every } w \in M.$$

Proof. We consider $G = d_n(a\alpha b\beta w\gamma b\alpha a + b\alpha a\beta w\gamma a\alpha b)$. First, we compute

$$G = d_n(a\alpha(b\beta w\gamma b)\alpha a) + d_n(b\alpha(a\beta w\gamma a)\alpha b).$$

Using Lemma 5(ii), we have on one hand

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \sum_{i+p+l=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_p(b\beta w\gamma b)\alpha d_l(a) + \sum_{i+p+l=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_p(a\beta w\gamma a)\alpha d_l(b) \\ &= \sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a) + \sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(a)\alpha d_l(b). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$G = d_n((a\alpha b)\beta w\gamma(b\alpha a) + (b\alpha a)\beta w\gamma(a\alpha b)).$$

Using Lemma 5(iii), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \sum_{r+s+t=n} (d_r(a\alpha b)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(b\alpha a) + d_r(b\alpha a)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(a\alpha b)) \\ &= \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(a\alpha b)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(b\alpha a) + \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(b\alpha a)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(a\alpha b). \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the two expressions for G , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a) - \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(a\alpha b)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(b\alpha a) \\ &+ \sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(a)\alpha d_l(b) - \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(b\alpha a)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(a\alpha b) = 0. \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

By the inductive assumption we can put $d_r(x\alpha y)$ for $\sum_{i+j=r} d_i(x)\alpha d_j(y)$, when $r < n$.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a) - \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(a\alpha b)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(b\alpha a) \\ &= \left(\sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b) \right) \beta w\gamma b\alpha a + a\alpha b\beta w\gamma \left(\sum_{h+l=n} d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a) \right) \\ &+ \sum_{i+j < n, h+l < n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a) - d_n((a\alpha b)\beta w\gamma(b\alpha a)) \\ &- (a\alpha b)\beta w\gamma d_n(b\alpha a) - \sum_{r+s+t=n}^{i+j=r < n, p+q=t < n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_p(b)\alpha d_q(a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -(d_n((a\alpha b) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)))\beta(w\gamma b\alpha a) - (a\alpha b\beta w)\gamma(d_n(b\alpha a) - \sum_{h+l=n} d_h(b)\alpha d_l(a)) \\
&= -(\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma b\alpha a + a\alpha b\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(b, a)). \tag{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{i+j+k+h+l=n} d_i(b)\alpha d_j(a)\beta d_k(w)\gamma d_h(a)\alpha d_l(b) - \sum_{r+s+t=n} d_r(b\alpha a)\beta d_s(w)\gamma d_t(a\alpha b) \\
&= -(\phi_n^\alpha(b, a)\beta w\gamma a\alpha b + b\alpha a\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)). \tag{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, by using (2) and (3) in (1), we get

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma b\alpha a + a\alpha b\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(b, a) + \phi_n^\alpha(b, a)\beta w\gamma a\alpha b + b\alpha a\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0.$$

By Lemma 6(i), we have

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma b\alpha a - a\alpha b\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) - \phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma a\alpha b + b\alpha a\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0.$$

This implies,

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0, \forall w \in M.$$

Here, we extend the result of Cortes and Haetinger (2005) concerning Jordan higher derivations in prime Γ -rings.

Theorem 2. *Let M be a 2-torsion free prime Γ -ring satisfying the condition (*). Then every Jordan higher derivation of M is a higher derivation of M .*

Proof. By definition, we have

$$\phi_0^\alpha(a, b) = 0, \text{ for all } a, b \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Also, by Theorem 1,

$$\phi_1^\alpha(a, b) = 0, \text{ for all } a, b \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Now, we proceed by induction. Suppose that, $\phi_m^\alpha(a, b) = 0$.

This implies, $d_m(a\alpha b) = \sum_{i+j=m} d_i(a)\alpha d_j(b)$ for all $a, b \in M; \alpha \in \Gamma$ and $m < n$.

Taking $a, b \in M$, by Lemma 7, we get

$$\phi_n^\alpha(a, b)\beta w\gamma[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta w\gamma\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0, \forall w \in M, \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma.$$

Since M is prime, so by Lemma 4 $\phi_n^\alpha(a, b) = 0$, or $[a, b]_\alpha = 0$. Using the similar arguments as used in the proof of Theorem 1, we obtain that every Jordan higher derivation of M is a higher derivation of M .

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