

## JORDAN DERIVATIONS ON 2-TORSION FREE SEMIPRIME $\Gamma$ -RINGS

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### ABSTRACT

The objective of this paper was to study Jordan derivations on semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring. Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying the condition  $aab\beta c = a\beta bac$  for all  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . The authors proved that every Jordan derivation of  $M$  is a derivation of  $M$ .

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### INTRODUCTION

Let  $M$  and  $\Gamma$  be additive abelian groups. If there is a mapping  $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$  sending  $(x, \alpha, y)$  into  $x\alpha y$  such that the conditions

- (i)  $(x + y)\alpha z = x\alpha z + y\alpha z$ ,  $x(\alpha + \beta)y = x\alpha y + x\beta y$ ,  $x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z$  and
- (ii)  $(x\alpha y)\beta z = x\alpha(y\beta z)$

are satisfied for all  $x, y, z \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , then  $M$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -ring.

This definition is due to Barnes (1966). A  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$  is 2-torsion free if  $2a = 0$  implies  $a = 0$ , for all  $a \in M$ .  $M$  is called a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring if  $a\Gamma M\Gamma a = 0$  (with  $a \in M$ ) implies  $a = 0$ .  $M$  is called completely semiprime if  $a\Gamma a = 0$  (with  $a \in M$ ) implies  $a = 0$ . It was noted that every completely semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring was a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring. The authors defined  $[a, b]_\alpha$  by  $a\alpha b - b\alpha a$  which is known as a commutator of  $a$  and  $b$  with respect to  $\alpha$ . Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ring. An additive mapping  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called a derivation if  $d(a\alpha b) = d(a)\alpha b + a\alpha d(b)$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .  $d : M \rightarrow M$  is called a Jordan derivation if  $d(a\alpha a) = d(a)\alpha a + a\alpha d(a)$  for all  $a \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Throughout the article, the authors used the condition  $aab\beta c = a\beta bac$  for all  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  and this is denoted by (\*).

The concepts of derivation and Jordan derivation of a  $\Gamma$ -ring were introduced by Sapanci and Nakajima (1997). For classical ring theory, Herstein (1966) proved that every Jordan derivation in a 2-torsion free prime ring is a derivation. Bresar (1988) proved this result in semiprime rings. Sapanci and Nakajima (1997) proved the same result for completely prime  $\Gamma$ -rings. Haetinger (2002) worked on higher derivations on prime rings and extended this result to Lie ideals in a prime ring.

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In this article, it has been shown that every Jordan derivation of a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring with the condition  $aab\beta c = a\beta bac$  for all  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , is a derivation of  $M$ .

### Some Consequences of Jordan Derivations on Semiprime $\Gamma$ -rings

In this section, the authors developed some useful consequences regarding the Jordan derivations of a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring which are needed for proving the main result.

**Lemma 2.1:** Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma$ -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)  $d(aab + baa) = d(a)ab + d(b)aa + aad(b) + bad(a)$ .
- (ii)  $d(aab\beta a + a\beta baa) = d(a)ab\beta a + d(a)\beta baa + aad(b)\beta a$   
 $+ a\beta d(b)aa + aab\beta d(a) + a\beta bad(a)$ .

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

- (iii)  $d(aab\beta a) = d(a)ab\beta a + aad(b)\beta a + aab\beta d(a)$ .
- (iv)  $d(aab\beta c + cab\beta a) = d(a)ab\beta c + d(c)ab\beta a + aad(b)\beta c$   
 $+ cad(b)\beta a + aab\beta d(c) + cab\beta d(a)$ .

**Definition 1:** Let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ . Then for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , define  $G_\alpha(a, b) = d(aab) - d(a)ab - aad(b)$ . Thus  $G_\alpha(b, a) = d(baa) - d(b)aa - bad(a)$ .

**Lemma 2.2:** Let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of a  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ . Then for all  $a, b, c \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , the following statements hold:

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

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

**Lemma 2.3:** Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying the condition (\*), and let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of  $M$ . Then

- (i)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma [a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha \beta m\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ ;

- (ii)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\alpha m\alpha[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]\alpha m\alpha G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b, m \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ ;
- (iii)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta m\beta G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

**Proof:** (i) For any  $a, b, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$  by using Lemma 2 .1 (iv)

$$\begin{aligned} W &= d(aab\beta m\gamma baa + baa\beta m\gamma aab) \\ &= d((aab)\beta m\gamma(baa) + (baa)\beta m\gamma(aab)) \\ &= d(aab)\beta m\gamma baa + aab\beta d(m)\gamma baa + aab\beta m\gamma d(baa) \\ &\quad + d(baa)\beta m\gamma aab + baa\beta d(m)\gamma aab + baa\beta m\gamma d(aab). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand by using Lemma 2 .1 (iii)

$$\begin{aligned} W &= d(a\alpha(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha a + b\alpha(a\beta m\gamma a)ab) \\ &= d(a\alpha(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha a) + d(b\alpha(a\beta m\gamma a)ab) \\ &= d(a)\alpha b\beta m\gamma baa + aad(b\beta m\gamma b)\alpha a + aab\beta m\gamma bad(a) \\ &\quad + d(b)\alpha a\beta m\gamma aab + bad(a\beta m\gamma a)ab + baa\beta m\gamma aad(b) \\ &= d(a)\alpha b\beta m\gamma baa + aad(b)\beta m\gamma baa + aab\beta d(m)\gamma baa + aab\beta m\gamma d(b)\alpha a \\ &\quad + aab\beta m\gamma bad(a) + d(b)\alpha a\beta m\gamma aab + bad(a)\beta m\gamma aab + baa\beta d(m)\gamma aab \\ &\quad + baa\beta m\gamma d(a)ab + baa\beta m\gamma aad(b). \end{aligned}$$

Equating two expressions for  $W$  and cancelling the like terms from both sides, one gets

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

This gives,  $d(aab)\beta m\gamma baa - d(a)\alpha b\beta m\gamma baa - aad(b)\beta m\gamma baa + d(baa)\beta m\gamma aab$   
 $- d(b)\alpha a\beta m\gamma aab - b\beta d(a)\beta m\gamma aab + aab\beta m\gamma d(baa) - aab\beta m\gamma d(b)\alpha a$   
 $- aab\beta m\gamma bad(a) + baa\beta m\gamma d(aab) - baa\beta m\gamma d(a)ab - baa\beta m\gamma aad(b) = 0.$

This implies,  $(d(aab) - d(a)\alpha b - aad(b))\alpha m\gamma baa + (d(baa) - d(b)\alpha a - bad(a))\alpha m\gamma aab$   
 $+ aab\alpha m\gamma(d(baa) - d(b)\alpha a - bad(a)) + baa\alpha m\gamma(d(aab) - d(a)\alpha b - aad(b)) = 0.$

Using Definition 1,  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma baa + G_\alpha(b, a)\beta m\gamma aab + aab\beta m\gamma G_\alpha(b, a) + baa\beta m\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0.$

This implies,  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma [a, b]_\alpha + [a, b]_\alpha\beta m\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b, m \in M, \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma.$

By considering  $W = d(acbamabaa + baaamaaab)$  and  $W = d(aab\beta m\beta baa + baa\beta m\beta aab)$  for (ii) and (iii), respectively and proceeding in the same way as in the proof of (i) by the similar arguments, one gets (ii) and (iii).

**Lemma 2.4:** Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring and let  $a, b, m \in M$ .

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

**Proof :** Let  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$  be any elements.

Using the relation  $aam\beta b + bam\beta a = 0$  for all  $m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  repeatedly

$$\begin{aligned} (aam\beta b)\gamma x\delta(aam\beta b) &= -(bam\beta a)\gamma x\delta(aam\beta b) \\ &= -(ba(m\beta a\gamma x)\delta a)aam\beta b = (a\alpha(m\beta a\gamma x)\delta b)aam\beta b \\ &= aam\beta(a\gamma x\delta b)aam\beta b = -aam\beta(b\gamma x\delta a)aam\beta b \\ &= -(aam\beta b)\gamma x\delta(aam\beta b). \end{aligned}$$

This implies,  $2((aam\beta b)\gamma x\delta(aam\beta b)) = 0$ .

Since  $M$  is 2-torsion free,  $(aam\beta b)\gamma x\delta(aam\beta b) = 0$ . Therefore,  $(aam\beta b)\Gamma M\Gamma(aam\beta b) = 0$ .

By the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $aam\beta b = 0$ . Similarly, it can be shown that  $bam\beta a = 0$ .

**Corollary 2.1:** Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying the condition (\*), and let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of  $M$ . Then for all  $a, b, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ :

- (i)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\gamma[a, b]_\alpha = 0$ ; (ii)  $[a, b]_\alpha\beta m\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\alpha m\alpha[a, b]_\alpha = 0$ ; (iv)  $[a, b]_\alpha\alpha m\alpha G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ ;
- (v)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[a, b]_\alpha = 0$ ; (vi)  $[a, b]_\alpha\beta m\beta G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

**Proof:** Applying the result of Lemma 2.4 in that of Lemma 2.3, the authors obtained these results.

**Lemma 2.5:** Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying the condition (\*), and let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of  $M$ . Then for all  $a, b, x, y, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ :

- (i)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\alpha = 0$ ; (ii)  $[x, y]_\alpha\beta m\beta G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$
- (iii)  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma = 0$ ; (iv)  $[x, y]_\gamma\beta m\beta G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

**Proof:** (i) If substitute  $a + x$  for  $a$  in the Corollary 2.1 (v),  $G_\alpha(a+x, b)\beta m\beta[a+x, b]_\alpha = 0$  is obtained.

Thus  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[a, b]_\alpha + G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha + G_\alpha(x, b)\beta m\beta[a, b]_\alpha + G_\alpha(x, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha = 0$ .

By using Corollary 2.1 (v),  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha + G_\alpha(x, b)\beta m\beta[a, b]_\alpha = 0$  is obtained.

Thus,  $(G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha)\beta m\beta(G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha) = -G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha \beta m\beta G_\alpha(x, b)\beta m\beta [a, b]_\alpha = 0$  is obtained.

Hence, by the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, b]_\alpha = 0$ .

Similarly, by replacing  $b + y$  for  $b$  in this result  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\alpha = 0$ .

(ii) Proceeding in the same way as described above by the similar replacements successively in Corollary 2.1 (vi),  $[x, y]_\gamma \beta m\beta G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b, x, y, m \in M, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  is obtained.

(iii) Replacing  $\alpha + \gamma$  for  $\alpha$  in (i),  $G_{\alpha+\gamma}(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_{\alpha+\gamma} = 0$ .

This implies,  $(G_\alpha(a, b) + G_\gamma(a, b)_\alpha)\beta m\beta([x, y]_\alpha + [x, y]_\gamma) = 0$ .

Therefore,  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\alpha G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma + G_\gamma(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\alpha + G_\gamma(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma = 0$ .

Thus by using Corollary 2.1 (vi),  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma + G_\gamma(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\alpha = 0$ .

Thus,  $(G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma)\beta m\beta(G_\alpha(a, b)\alpha m\beta[x, y]_\gamma) = -G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma \beta m\beta G_\gamma(a, b)\beta m\beta [x, y]_\alpha = 0$  is obtained.

Hence, by the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta[x, y]_\gamma = 0$ .

(iv) As in the proof of (iii), the similar replacement in (ii) produces (iv).

**Lemma 2.6:** Every semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring contains no nonzero nilpotent ideal.

**Corollary 2.2:** Semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring has no nonzero nilpotent element.

**Lemma 2.7:** The center of a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring does not contain any nonzero nilpotent element.

### Jordan Derivations on Semiprime $\Gamma$ -rings

The authors proved main result as follows:

**Theorem 3.1:** Let  $M$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring satisfying the condition (\*), and let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of  $M$ . Then  $d$  is a derivation of  $M$ .

**Proof:** Let  $d$  be a Jordan derivation of a 2-torsion free semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ , and let  $a, b, y, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Then by Lemma 2.5 (iii),

$$\begin{aligned} [G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta \beta m\beta [G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta &= (G_\alpha(a, b)\beta y - y\beta G_\alpha(a, b))\beta m\beta [G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b)\beta y\beta m\beta [G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta - y\beta G_\alpha(a, b)\beta m\beta [G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $y\beta m \in M$  and  $G_\alpha(a, b) \in M$  for all  $a, b, y, m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

By the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $[G_\alpha(a, b), y]_\beta = 0$ , where  $G_\alpha(a, b) \in M$  for all  $a, b, y \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Therefore,  $G_\alpha(a, b) \in Z(M)$ , the center of  $M$ .

Now, let  $\gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$ . By Lemma 2.5 (ii),  $G_\alpha(a, b)[x, y]_\alpha \delta m \delta G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\alpha = 0$ .

Since  $M$  is semiprime, so  $G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\alpha = 0$ . (1)

Also, by Lemma 2.5 (i),  $[x, y]_\alpha \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) \delta m \delta [x, y]_\alpha \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

Hence by the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $[x, y]_\alpha \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ . (2)

Similarly, by Lemma 2.5 (iv),  $G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta \delta m \delta G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta = 0$ .

Since  $M$  is semiprime, it follows that  $G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta = 0$ . (3)

Also, by Lemma 2.5 (iii),  $[x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) \delta m \delta [x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

Hence by the semiprimeness of  $M$ ,  $[x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ . (4)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } 2 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (G_\alpha(a, b) + G_\alpha(a, b)) \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (G_\alpha(a, b) - G_\alpha(b, a)) \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (d(aab) - d(ab) - aad(b) - d(baa) + d(baa) + bad(a)) \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (d(aab - baa) + (bad(a) - d(ab)) + (d(baa) - aad(b))) \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (d([a, b]_\alpha) + [b, d(a)]_\alpha + [d(b), a]_\alpha) \\ &= G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma (d([a, b]_\alpha) - G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [d(a), b]_\alpha - G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [a, d(b)]_\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d(a), d(b) \in M$  by using (1),  $G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [d(a), b]_\alpha = G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [a, d(b)]_\alpha = 0$ .

Thus  $2 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma d([a, b]_\alpha)$  (5)

Adding (3) and (4),  $G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta + [x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ , is obtained.

Then by Lemma 2.1 (i) with the use of (3),

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d(G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta + [x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b)) \\ &= d(G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma [x, y]_\beta) + d([x, y]_\beta \gamma G_\alpha(a, b)) + G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma d([x, y]_\beta) + [x, y]_\beta \gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b)) \\ &= d(G_\alpha(a, b)) \gamma [x, y]_\beta + 2 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma d([x, y]_\beta) + [x, y]_\beta \gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G_\alpha(a, b) \in Z(M)$  and therefore  $d([x, y]_\beta) G_\alpha(a, b) = G_\alpha(a, b) d([x, y]_\beta)$ .

Hence,  $2 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma d([x, y]_\beta) = -d(G_\alpha(a, b)) \gamma [x, y]_\beta - [x, y]_\beta \gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b))$ . (6)

Then from (5) and (6)

$$4 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 2 G_\alpha(a, b) \gamma d([a, b]_\alpha) = -d(G_\alpha(a, b)) \gamma [a, b]_\alpha - [a, b]_\alpha \gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b))$$

So,  $4G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = -d(G_\alpha(a, b))\gamma[a, b]_\alpha\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) - [a, b]_\alpha\gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b))\gamma G_\alpha(a, b)$ .

Here, by using (4)  $d(G_\alpha(a, b))\gamma[a, b]_\alpha\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  and also, by Corollary 2.1 (vi),  $[a, b]_\alpha\gamma d(G_\alpha(a, b))\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

Since  $d(G_\alpha(a, b)) \in M$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . So,  $4G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ .

Therefore,  $4(G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma)^2 G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ . Since  $M$  is 2-torsion free, so  $(G_\alpha(a, b)\gamma)^2 G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$ . But, it follows that  $G_\alpha(a, b)$  is a nilpotent element of the  $\Gamma$ -ring  $M$ .

Since by Lemma 2.7, the center of a semiprime  $\Gamma$ -ring does not contain any nonzero nilpotent element, so  $G_\alpha(a, b) = 0$  for all  $a, b \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . It means  $d$  is a derivation of  $M$ .

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