# Prime Gamma-Near-Rings with $\sigma$-Derivations 

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#### Abstract

Let $N$ be a prime $\Gamma$-near-ring and $\sigma$ be an automorphism on $N$. In this paper, we prove that if $d$ is a $\sigma$-derivation of $N$ such that $\sigma d=d \sigma$ with $d^{2}=0$, then $d=0$. The composition of two derivations $\sigma$ and $\tau$ are considered and investigated the conditions that the derivation is a $\sigma \tau$-derivation.


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## 1. Introduction

A $\Gamma$-near-ring is a triple $(N,+, \Gamma)$, where:
(i) $(N,+)$ is a group (not necessarily abelian),
(ii) $\Gamma$ is a non-empty set of binary operations on $N$ such that for each $\alpha \in \Gamma,(N,+, \alpha)$ is a left near-ring.
(iii) $x \alpha(y \beta z)=(x \alpha y) \beta z$, for all $x, y, z \in N$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Exactly speaking, it is a left $\Gamma$-near-ring because it satisfies the left distributive law. We will use the word $\Gamma$-near-ring to mean left $\Gamma$-near-ring. For a $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$, the set $N_{0}$ $=\{\mathrm{x} \in N: 0 \alpha \mathrm{x}=0, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ is called the zero-symmetric part of $N$. A $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$ is said to be zero-symmetric if $N=N_{0}$. Throughout this paper, we consider $N$ to be a zero symmetric left $\Gamma$-near-ring with center $Z(N)$. The $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$ is called a prime $\Gamma$-nearring if $x \Gamma N \Gamma y=\{0\}$ with $x, y \in N$ implies $x=0$ or $y=0$. An additive mapping d: $N \rightarrow N$ is called a derivation if $d(x \alpha y)=x \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y$ holds for all $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$.

In ref. [1], Bell and Mason introduced the notion of derivations in near-ring and obtained basic properties of derivations in near-rings. They also studied some remarkable results [2]. Afterwards Cho [3] worked on derivations in prime near-rings. In ref. [4], Kamal studied the characterizations of $\sigma$-derivations on prime near-rings. Kazaz and Alkan [5] introduced the notion of two sided $\alpha$-derivations of a $\Gamma$-near-ring and obtained

[^0]some generalizations of the works of Argac [6, 7]. Samman [8] studied on an $\alpha$ derivations of prime $\Gamma$-near-rings. He also obtained the composition for $\alpha$-derivation and a Posner-type result with this. In refs. [9-11], Dey et. al. worked on derivations and generalized derivations of $\Gamma$-rings and $\Gamma$-near-rings and obtained some important properties of these rings. Also Dey and Paul [12] extended the results of near-rings to $\Gamma$ -near-rings.

In this paper, we define a $\sigma$-derivation in $\Gamma$-near-rings. An example of this type of this derivation is given to ensure its existence. We generalize the results of ref. [13] in $\Gamma$-nearrings. One of our results in $\Gamma$-rings is an analogous version of a well-known result of Posner for the composition of derivation of rings and near-rings.

## 2. Prime $\Gamma$-Near-Rings with $\sigma$-Derivations

Let $N$ be a $\Gamma$-near-ring and let $\sigma$ be an automorphism of $N$. An additive mapping $d: N \rightarrow N$ is called a right $\sigma$-derivation (simply we call $\sigma$-derivation) if $d(x \alpha y)=\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y$ for all $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$. The composition of derivations of $\Gamma$-rings is obtained for the case of $\Gamma$-near-rings. The existence of such a derivation is ensured by the following example.

Example 2.1. Let $J$ be a $\Gamma$-near-ring satisfying the condition $a \alpha b \beta c=a \beta b \alpha c$ which is not a $\Gamma$-ring such that $(J,+)$ is abelian. Let $M$ be commutative $\Gamma$-ring satisfying the condition as in $J$. Take $N=J \oplus M$. Then it is clear that $N$ is a $\Gamma$-near-ring but not a $\Gamma$-ring. It is seen that $M$ is an ideal of $N$ and its elements commute with all elements of $N$. Let $\sigma$ be a nontrivial automorphism of $N$ and take $m \in M$. Define $d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}: N \rightarrow N$ by $d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(x)=\sigma(x) \alpha m-$ $x \alpha m$ for all $x \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$. Then we shall show that $d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}$ is a $\sigma$-derivation. For all $x$, $y \in N, \beta \in \Gamma$,
$d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(x \beta y)=\sigma(x \beta y) \alpha m-x \beta y \alpha m=\sigma(x \beta y) \alpha m-\sigma(x) \beta y \alpha m+\sigma(x) \beta y \alpha m-x \beta y \alpha m$
$=\sigma(x) \beta \sigma(y) \alpha m-\sigma(x) \beta y \alpha m+y \beta[\sigma(x) \alpha m-m \alpha x]=\sigma(x) \beta[\sigma(y) \alpha m-y \alpha m]+[\sigma(x) \alpha m-$
$m \alpha x] \beta y$
$=\sigma(x) \beta d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(y)+d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(x) \beta y$
This shows that

$$
d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(x \beta y)=\sigma(x) \beta d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(y)+d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}(x) \beta y \text { for all } x, y \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma .
$$

Hence $d^{\alpha}{ }_{m}$ is a $\sigma$-derivation.
We begin with the following Lemmas which are more useful to develop our main results.

Lemma 2.2. Let $d$ be an additive endomorphism of a 2 -torsion free $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$. Then $d$ is a $\sigma$-derivation if and only if $d(x \alpha y)=d(x) \alpha y+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)$ for all $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$.

Proof. By definition, if $d$ is a $\sigma$-derivation then for all $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$,

$$
d(x \alpha y)=\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y . \text { Then } d(x \alpha(y+y))=\sigma(x) \alpha d(y+y)+d(x) \alpha(y+y)=
$$ $2 \sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+2 d(x) \alpha y$,

and

$$
d(x \alpha y+x \alpha y)=2 d(x \alpha y)=2(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y),
$$

so that

$$
\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y=d(x) \alpha y+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y) .
$$

The proof of the converse statement is similar.
This Lemma indicates an equivalent definition of a $\sigma$-derivation.
Lemma 2.3. Let $d$ be a $\sigma$-derivation on a 2 -torsion free $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$. Then for all $x, y$, $z \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$,
(i) $(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y) \beta z=\sigma(x) \alpha d(\mathrm{y}) \beta z+d(x) \alpha y \beta z$.
(ii) $(d(x) \alpha y+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)) \beta z=d(x) \alpha y \beta z+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y) \beta z$.

Proof. (i) Let $x, y, z \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Then

$$
\begin{align*}
& d(x \alpha(y \beta z))=\sigma(x) \alpha d(y \beta z)+d(x) \alpha(y \beta z) \\
& =\sigma(x) \alpha(\sigma(y) \beta d(\mathrm{z})+d(y) \beta z)+d(x) \alpha(y \beta z) \\
& =(\sigma(x) \alpha \sigma(y)) \beta d(\mathrm{z})+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y) \beta z+d(x) \alpha(y \beta z) \\
& =\sigma(x \alpha y) \beta d(z)+\sigma(x) \alpha d(y) \beta z+d(x) \alpha y \beta z . \tag{1}
\end{align*}
$$

Also,
$d((x \alpha y) \beta z)=\sigma(x \alpha y) \beta d(z)+d(x \alpha y) \beta z$
$=\sigma(x \alpha y) \beta d(z)+(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y) \beta z$.
From (1) and (2), we get
$(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y) \beta z=\sigma(x) \alpha d(y) \beta z+d(x) \alpha y \beta z$.
(ii) By using Lemma 2.2, we obtain (ii).

Lemma 2.4. Let $d$ be a $\sigma$-derivation of a 2 -torsion free prime $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$ and let $a \in N$ such that $a \Gamma d(x)=0($ or $d(x) \Gamma a=0)$ for all $x \in N$. Then $a=0$ or $d=0$.

Proof. For all $x, y \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 0=a \beta d(x \alpha y)=a \beta(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y)=a \beta \sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+a \beta d(x) \alpha y \\
& =a \beta \sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+0=a \beta \sigma(x) \alpha d(y)=a \beta \sigma(x) \alpha d(y),
\end{aligned}
$$

since $\sigma$ is an automorphism. Thus $a \Gamma N \Gamma d(y)=0$. Since $N$ is prime, we get $a=0$ or $d=0$.

To prove the case when $d(x) \Gamma a=0$, we need Lemma 2.2. So if $d(x) \Gamma a=0$ for all $x \in N$, then for all $x, y \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 0=d(y \alpha x) \beta a=(\sigma(y) \alpha d(x)+d(y) \alpha x) \beta a=\sigma(y) \alpha d(x) \beta a+d(y) \alpha x \beta a, \text { by Lemma 2.2, } \\
& =0+d(y) \alpha x \beta a=d(y) \alpha x \beta a .
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus $d(y) \Gamma N \Gamma a=0$. By the primeness of $N$ implies that $d=0$ or $a=0$.

Theorem 2.5. Let $N$ be a 2-torsion-free prime $\Gamma$-near-ring. Let $d$ be a $\sigma$-derivation on $N$ such that $d \sigma=\sigma d$. Then $d^{2}=0$ implies $d=0$.

Proof. Suppose that $d^{2}=0$. Let $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$. Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& d^{2}(x \alpha y)=0=d(d(x \alpha y))=d(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y) \\
& =d(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y))+d(d(x) \alpha y) \\
& =\sigma^{2}(x) \alpha d^{2}(y)+d(\sigma(x)) \alpha d(y)+\sigma(d(x)) \alpha d(y)+d^{2}(x) \alpha y \\
& =d(\sigma(x)) \alpha d(y)+\sigma(d(x)) \alpha d(y) \\
& =2 d(\sigma(x)) \alpha d(y) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence, $2 d(\sigma(x)) \alpha d(y)=0$. Since $N$ is 2-torsion-free, we have $d(\sigma(x)) \alpha d(y)=0$. Since $\sigma$ is onto, we get $d(x) \alpha d(y)=0$ and hence by Lemma 2.4, $d=0$.

The following theorem displays the commutativity of automorphisms of $N$ and the derivation which we are considering on $N$.
Theorem 2.6. Let $d$ be a $\sigma$-derivation on a $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$. Let $\tau$ be an automorphism of $N$ which commutes with $d$. Then $(\sigma \tau)(x) \alpha(d \tau)(y)=(\tau \sigma)(x) \alpha(\tau d)(y)$ for all $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$.

Proof. Let $x, y \in N, \alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\tau d)(x \alpha y)=\tau(\sigma(x) \alpha d(y)+d(x) \alpha y)=(\tau \sigma)(x) \alpha(\tau d)(y)+(\tau d)(x) \alpha \tau(y) . \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and,

$$
\begin{equation*}
(d \tau)(x \alpha y)=d(\tau(x) \alpha \tau(y))=(\sigma \tau)(x) \alpha d(\tau(y))+d(\tau(x)) \alpha \tau(y) . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $d \tau=\tau d$, equations (3) and (4) imply that

$$
(\sigma \tau)(x) \alpha(d \tau)(y)=(\tau \sigma)(x) \alpha(\tau d)(y) .
$$

Theorem 2.7. Let $d_{1}$ be a $\sigma$-derivation and $d_{2}$ be a $\tau$-derivation on a 2 -torsion free prime $\Gamma$-near-ring $N$ such that $d_{1} \sigma=\sigma d_{1}$ and $d_{2} \tau=\tau d_{2}$. Then $d_{1} d_{2}$ is a $\sigma \tau$-derivation if and only if $d_{1}=0$ or $d_{2}=0$.

Proof. Let $d_{1} d_{2}$ be a $\sigma \tau$-derivation. For $x, y \in N, \alpha \in \Gamma$, we have
$\left(d_{1} d_{2}\right)(x \alpha y)=(\sigma \tau)(x) \alpha d_{1} d_{2}(\mathrm{y})+\left(d_{1} d_{2}\right)(x) \alpha y$.
Also,
$\left(d_{1} d_{2}\right)(x \alpha y)=d_{1}\left(d_{2}(x \alpha y)\right)$
$=d_{1}\left(\tau(x) \alpha d_{2}(y)+d_{2}(x) \alpha y\right)$
$=d_{1}\left(\tau(x) \alpha d_{2}(y)\right)+d_{1}\left(d_{2}(x) \alpha y\right)$
$=(\sigma \tau)(x) \alpha d_{1} d_{2}(y)+\left(d_{1} \tau\right)(x) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)(x) \alpha d_{1}(y)+d_{1} d_{2}(x) \alpha y$
From (5) and (6), we get
$\left(d_{1} \tau\right)(x) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)(x) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$.
Replacing $x$ by $x \beta d_{2}(z)$ in (7), we get
$\left(d_{1} \tau\right)\left(x \beta d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)\left(x \beta d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$,
and so,
$\left(\tau d_{1}\right)\left(x \beta d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)\left(x \beta d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$.
Using Lemma 2.2, Eq. (8) becomes
$\tau\left(d_{1}(x) \beta d_{2}(z)+\sigma(x) \beta d_{1} d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\sigma\left(\tau(x) \beta d_{2}^{2}(z)+d_{2}(x) \beta d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$,
$\left(\tau d_{1}(x) \beta \tau d_{2}(z)+\tau \sigma(x) \beta \tau d_{1} d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma \tau(x) \beta \sigma d_{2}^{2}(\mathrm{z})+\sigma d_{2}(x) \beta \sigma d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$

Using Theorem 2.5 and the hypothesis, equation (9) becomes
$\left(d_{1} \tau(x) \beta d_{2} \tau(z)+\sigma \tau(x) \beta d_{1}\left(\tau d_{2}(z)\right)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma \tau(x) \beta d_{2}{ }^{2}\left(\sigma(z)+d_{2} \sigma(x) \beta d_{2}(\sigma(z))\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=\right.$ 0 .
Using Lemma 2.2, Eq. (10) becomes
$d_{1} \tau(x) \beta d_{2} \tau(z) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\sigma \tau(x) \beta d_{1}\left(\tau d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\sigma \tau(x) \beta d_{2}^{2}(\sigma(z)) \alpha d_{1}(y)+$ $d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \beta d_{2}(\sigma(z)) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$,
$d_{1} \tau(x) \beta d_{2} \tau(z) \alpha d_{2}(y)+(\sigma \tau)(x) \beta\left(d_{1}\left(\tau d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+d_{2}^{2}(\sigma(z)) \alpha d_{1}(y)\right)+$
$d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \beta d_{2}(\sigma(z)) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$.
Replacing $x$ by $d_{2}(z)$ in (7), we get
$\left(d_{1} \tau\right)\left(d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)\left(d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$,
or
$d_{1}\left(\tau d_{2}(z)\right) \alpha d_{2}(y)+d_{2}^{2}(\sigma(z)) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0$.
Since $N$ is zero symmetric, Eqs. (11) and (12) imply that
$d_{1} \tau(x) \alpha d_{2} \tau(z) \beta d_{2}(y)+d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \alpha d_{2}(\sigma(z)) \beta d_{1}(y)=0$.
Replacing now $x$ by $z$ in (7), we get

$$
\left(d_{1} \tau\right)(z) \alpha d_{2}(y)+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)(z) \alpha d_{1}(y)=0
$$

or
$\sigma d_{2}(z) \alpha d_{1}(y)=-d_{1}(\tau(z)) \alpha d_{2}(y)$.
Replacing $y$ by $\tau(z)$ in (7), we get
$\left(d_{1} \tau\right)(x) \alpha d_{2}(\tau(z))+\left(\sigma d_{2}\right)(x) \alpha d_{1}(\tau(z))=0$.
So,
$d_{1}(\tau(x)) \alpha d_{2}(\tau(z))=-d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \alpha d_{1}(\tau(z))$.
Combining (13), (14) and (15) we get
$\left(-\left(d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \alpha d_{1}(\tau(z))\right)\right) \beta d_{2}(y)+d_{2}(\sigma(x)) \alpha\left(-\left(d_{1}(\tau(z)) \beta d_{2}(y)\right)\right)=0$.
To simplify notations, we put $u=d_{2}(\sigma(x)), v=d_{1}(\tau(z))$, and $w=d_{2}(y)$. Then
$-\quad(u \alpha v) \beta w+u \alpha(-v \beta w)=0$,
$\Rightarrow u \alpha(-v) \beta w+u \alpha(-v \beta w)=0$,
$\Rightarrow u \alpha(-v) \beta w-u \alpha(v \beta w)=0$,
$\Rightarrow-u \alpha v \beta w-u \alpha \nu \beta w=0$,
$\Rightarrow u \alpha v \beta w+u \alpha v \beta w=0$,
$\Rightarrow u \alpha(2 \nu \beta w)=0$.
If $u \neq 0$ (i.e. $d_{2} \neq 0$ ), then by Lemma $2.4,2 v \beta w=0$, that is, $v \beta(2 w)=0$. Again if $w \neq 0$ (i.e. $d_{2} \neq 0$ ), then by hypothesis $2 w \neq 0$, and then by Lemma 2.4 we have $v=0$, that is $d_{1}=$ 0 . This shows that if $d_{2} \neq 0$ then $d_{1}=0$ which completes the proof.

Remarks 2.8. In the above theorem, the composition that $N$ is a 2 -torsion free may be weakened if we do not take the existence of an element $y$ in $N$ such that $2 d_{2}(\mathrm{y}) \neq 0$. The same proof will lead to the conclusion that $d_{1}=0$.

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