

# An Equation Related to $\theta$ -Centralizers in Semiprime Rings

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## Abstract

The purpose of this note is to prove the following result. Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let  $T : R \longrightarrow R$  be an additive mapping. Suppose that  $3T(xy) = T(x)\theta(y) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(xy)T(x)$  and  $\theta(x)T(xy + yx)\theta(x) = \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)T(y)\theta(x)$  hold for all  $x, y \in R$ , where  $\theta$  is a homomorphism from  $R$  onto  $R$ . Then  $T$  is a  $\theta$ -centralizer of  $R$ .

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## 1 Introduction

This note is motivated by the work of Vukman and Kosi-Ulbl ([8]). Throughout this note,  $R$  will represent an associative ring with center  $Z(R)$ . A ring  $R$  is  $n$ -torsion free, where  $n$  is an integer, in case  $nx = 0$ ,  $x \in R$  implies  $x = 0$ . As usual the commutator  $xy - yx$  will be denoted by  $[x, y]$ . We shall use the basic commutator identities  $[x, yz] = [x, y]z + y[x, z]$  and  $[xz, y] = [x, y]z + x[z, y]$ .

Recall that  $R$  is prime if  $aRb = (0)$  implies  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ , and semiprime if  $aRa = (0)$  implies  $a = 0$ . An additive mapping  $D : R \rightarrow R$  is called a derivation if  $D(xy) = D(x)y + xD(y)$  holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ , and called a Jordan derivation in case  $D(x^2) = D(x)x + xD(x)$  holds for all  $x \in R$ . A derivation  $D$  is inner in case there exists an  $a \in R$  such that  $D(x) = [a, x]$  for all  $x \in R$ . Every derivation is a Jordan derivation. The inverse is in general not true. A classical result of Herstein ([7]) asserts that any Jordan derivation on a 2-torsion free prime ring is a derivation. A brief proof of Herstein's result can be found in ([3]). Cusack ([6]) has generalized Herstein's result to 2-torsion free semiprime rings (see also [4] for an alternative proof).

An additive mapping  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is called a left (right) centralizer in case  $T(xy) = T(x)y$  ( $T(xy) = xT(y)$ ) holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . We follow Zalar ([12]) and call  $T$  a centralizer in case  $T$  is both a left and a right centralizer. If  $a \in R$  then  $L_a(x) = ax$  is a left centralizer and  $R_a(x) = xa$  is a right centralizer. An additive mapping  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is called a left (right) Jordan centralizer in case  $T(x^2) = T(x)x$  ( $T(x^2) = xT(x)$ ).

Following ideas from ([4]), Zalar ([12]) has proved that any left (right) Jordan centralizer on a 2-torsion free semiprime ring is a left (right) centralizer. Also, Vukman ([10]) proved that if  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is an additive mapping such that  $2T(x^2) = T(x)x + xT(x)$  holds for all  $x \in R$ , then  $T$  is a centralizer. Vukman ([11]), also proved that if  $R$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is an additive mapping such that  $T(xyx) = xT(y)x$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $T$  is a centralizer.

In ([9]), Vukman and Irena proved that if  $R$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is an additive mapping such that  $2T(xyx) = T(x)yx + xyT(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $T$  is a centralizer. In ([8]) they proved that if  $R$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $T : R \rightarrow R$  is an additive mapping such that  $3T(xyx) = T(x)yx + xT(y)x + xyT(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ , then  $T$  is a centralizer and  $T(x) = \lambda x$  where  $\lambda$  is in the extended centroid of  $R$ . We have not been able to verify the linearization on Page 259 line -6 which gives equation [50] in ([8]).

An additive mapping  $D : R \rightarrow R$ , where  $R$  is an arbitrary ring, is a Jordan triple derivation in case  $D(xyx) = D(x)yx + xD(y)x + xyD(x)$  holds for all  $x, y \in R$ . One can easily prove that any Jordan triple derivation is a triple derivation (see[3]). Bresar ([5]) has proved that any Jordan triple derivation

on a 2-torsion free semiprime ring is a triple derivation.

In ([1]), Albas has introduced the notation of  $\theta$ -centralizer and Jordan  $\theta$ -centralizer, which is a generalization of centralizer and Jordan centralizer. He proved, on a 2-torsion free semiprime ring with some conditions, that every Jordan  $\theta$ -centralizer is a  $\theta$ -centralizer. In this note, Vukman and Irena's identity ([8]) will be studied in the sense of Albas's definition.

**Definition 1.1.** [1] An additive mapping  $T : R \longrightarrow R$  is called a left (right)  $\theta$ -centralizer associated with a homomorphism  $\theta : R \longrightarrow R$  if for all  $x, y \in R$ ,

$$T(xy) = T(x)\theta(y) \quad (T(xy) = \theta(x)T(y)).$$

$T$  is called a left (right) Jordan  $\theta$ -centralizer if for all  $x \in R$ ,

$$T(x^2) = T(x)\theta(x) \quad (T(x^2) = \theta(x)T(x)).$$

**Remark.** Every centralizer is a special case of a  $\theta$ -centralizer with  $\theta = I_R$ .

If  $T : R \longrightarrow R$  is a  $\theta$ -centralizer associated with a homomorphism  $\theta : R \longrightarrow R$ , where  $R$  is an arbitrary ring, then  $T$  satisfies the relations

$$3T(xyx) = T(x)\theta(yx) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(xy)T(x) \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (1)$$

And,

$$\theta(x)T(xy + yx)\theta(x) = \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)T(y)\theta(x) \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (2)$$

It seems natural to ask whether the converse is true. More precisely, we are asking whether an additive mapping  $T$  on a ring  $R$  satisfying relations (1) and (2) is a  $\theta$ -centralizer. It is the aim in this paper to prove that the answer is affirmative when  $R$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and  $\theta$  is a surjective homomorphism.

## 2 The Main Result

We now give the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let  $T : R \longrightarrow R$  be an additive mapping. suppose that  $3T(xyx) = T(x)\theta(yx) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(xy)T(x)$  and  $\theta(x)T(xy + yx)\theta(x) = \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)T(y)\theta(x)$  hold for all pairs  $x, y \in R$  and  $\theta(Z(R)) = Z(R)$ , where  $\theta$  be a nonzero surjective endomorphism on  $R$ . Then  $T$  is a  $\theta$ -centralizer.

For the proof of theorem (2.1) the following Lemma will be needed which can be found in ([11, Lemma 1]).

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $R$  be a semiprime ring. Suppose that the relation  $axb + bxc = 0$  holds for all  $x \in R$  and some  $a, b, c \in R$ . In this case  $(a + c)xb = 0$  is satisfied for all  $x \in R$ .*

*Proof. of Theorem (2.1):* After replacing  $x$  by  $x + z$  in (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 3T(xyz + zyx) &= T(x)\theta(yz) + T(z)\theta(yx) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(z) \\ &+ \theta(z)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(zy)T(x) + \theta(xy)T(z), \\ &\forall x, y, z \in R, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

For  $z = x^2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 3T(xyx^2 + x^2yx) &= T(x)\theta(yx^2) + T(x^2)\theta(yx) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^2) \\ &+ \theta(x^2)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(x^2y)T(x) + \theta(xy)T(x^2), \\ &\forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

After replacing  $y$  by  $xy + yx$  in (1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 3T(xyx^2 + x^2yx) &= T(x)\theta(xyx) + T(x)\theta(yx^2) \\ &+ \theta(x)T(xy + yx)\theta(x) + \theta(x^2y)T(x) \\ &+ \theta(xyx)T(x), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

After subtracting (5) from (4), we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} A(x)\theta(yx) + \theta(xy)B(x) \\ + \theta(x)(T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(x)T(y) - T(xy + yx))\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where  $A(x) = T(x^2) - T(x)\theta(x)$ , and  $B(x) = T(x^2) - \theta(x)T(x)$ .

Letting  $y = x$  and  $z = y$  in (3) gives

$$\begin{aligned} 3T(x^2y + yx^2) &= T(x)\theta(xy) + T(y)\theta(x^2) \\ &+ \theta(x)T(x)\theta(y) + \theta(y)T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(yx)T(x) \\ &+ \theta(x^2)T(y), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

After replacing  $x$  by  $3x$  and  $z$  by  $x^3$  in (3) and using (1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 9T(xyx^3 + x^3yx) &= 3T(x)\theta(yx^3) + 3T(x^3)\theta(yx) \\ &+ 3\theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) + 3\theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) \\ &+ 3\theta(x^3y)T(x) + 3\theta(xy)T(x^3) \\ &= 3T(x)\theta(yx^3) + T(x)\theta(x^2yx) + \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xyx) \\ &+ \theta(x^2)T(x)\theta(yx) + 3\theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) \\ &+ 3\theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x^2) \\ &+ \theta(xyx)T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(xyx^2)T(x) \\ &+ 3\theta(x^3y)T(x), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $3(x^2y + yx^2)$  in (1) and using (7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 9T(xyx^3 + x^3yx) &= 3T(x)\theta(x^2y + yx^2)\theta(x) + 3\theta(x)T(x^2y + yx^2)\theta(x) \\
 &+ 3\theta(x)\theta(x^2y + yx^2)T(x) \\
 &= 3T(x)\theta(x^2y + yx^2)\theta(x) + \theta(x)(T(x)\theta(xy) + T(y)\theta(x^2)) \\
 &+ \theta(x)T(x)\theta(y) + \theta(y)T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(x^2)T(y) \\
 &+ \theta(yx)T(x)\theta(x) + 3\theta(x)\theta(x^2y + yx^2)T(x) \\
 &= 3T(x)\theta(x^2yx) + 3T(x)\theta(yx^3) + \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xy) \\
 &+ \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) + \theta(x^2)T(x)\theta(yx) + \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x^2) \\
 &+ \theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x) + 3\theta(x^3y)T(x) \\
 &+ 3\theta(xy^2)T(x), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting (9) from (8) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(x)\theta(x^2yx) + \theta(xy^2)T(x) - \theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) \\
 - \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $3xyx$  in (7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 9T(x^3yx + xyx^3) &= 3T(x)\theta(x^2yx) + T(x)\theta(yx^3)\theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) \\
 &+ \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x^2) + 3\theta(x)T(x)\theta(xy) \\
 &+ 3\theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(x^2)T(x)\theta(y) \\
 &+ \theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(x^3y)T(x) \\
 &+ 3\theta(xy^2)T(x), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand by replacing  $z$  by  $3x^3$  in (3) we obtain;

$$\begin{aligned}
 9T(x^3yx + xyx^3) &= 3T(x)\theta(yx^3) + T(x)\theta(x^2yx) \\
 &+ \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xy) + \theta(x^2)T(x)\theta(y) \\
 &+ 3\theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) + 3\theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) \\
 &+ \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x^2) + \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x) \\
 &+ \theta(xy^2)T(x) + 3\theta(x^3y)T(x), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing (11) and (12) we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(x)\theta(yx^3) - T(x)\theta(x^2yx) + \theta(x)T(y)\theta(x^3) \\
 - \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xy) - \theta(xy^2)T(x) + \theta(x^3y)T(x) \\
 - \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(x^3)T(y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{13}
 \end{aligned}$$

From (10) and (13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(x)\theta(yx^3) - \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xy) \\
 + \theta(x^3y)T(x) - \theta(xy)T(x)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{14}
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yx$  in the above relation gives

$$\begin{aligned} & T(x)\theta(yx^4) - \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xyx^2) \\ & + \theta(x^3yx)T(x) - \theta(xyx^2)T(x)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

On the other hand right multiplication of (14) by  $\theta(x)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} & T(x)\theta(yx^4) - \theta(x)T(x)\theta(xyx^2) + \theta(x^3y)T(x)\theta(x) \\ & - \theta(xyx)T(x)\theta(x^2) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Subtracting (16) from (15) gives

$$\theta(x^3y)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(xyx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (17)$$

Left multiplication of (17) by  $T(x)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} & T(x)\theta(x^3y)[T(x), \theta(x)] - T(x)\theta(xyx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ & \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Replacing  $\theta(y)$  by  $T(x)\theta(y)$  in (17) gives,

$$\begin{aligned} & \theta(x^3)T(x)\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x)T(x)\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ & \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

After subtracting (19) from (18) we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} & [T(x), \theta(x^3)]\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] - [T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ & \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

In the above relation let

$$a = [T(x), \theta(x^3)], b = [T(x), \theta(x)], c = -\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \text{ and } z = \theta(y)$$

From the above substitutions we have

$$azb + bzc = 0.$$

We apply Lemma (2.2) to the above relation to obtain

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x^3)] - \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\}\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R,$$

this reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \\ & \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Right multiplication of the above relation by  $\theta(x^2)$  gives

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (22)$$

After replacing  $\theta(y)$  by  $\theta(y)\theta(x^2)$  in (21) we get,

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(y)\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (23)$$

Adding (22) to (23) we obtain

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(y)\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\} = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

It now follows that

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (24)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yx$  in (17) gives

$$\theta(x^3yx)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(xyx^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (25)$$

Replacing  $\theta(y)$  by  $[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)$  in the above relation gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)] \\ & - \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(yx^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

In the above relation let

$$a = \theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)], b = \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)], c = -\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \text{ and } z = \theta(y)$$

From the above substitutions we have

$$azb + bzc = 0.$$

We apply Lemma (2.2) to the above relation to obtain

$$\{\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\}\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (27)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $yx^2$  in the above relation gives

$$\{\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\}\theta(yx^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (28)$$

On the other hand replacing  $y$  by  $yx$  in relation (27) and right multiplying of this relation by  $\theta(x)$  gives

$$\{\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\}\theta(yx^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ \forall x, y \in R. \quad (29)$$

Subtracting (29) from (28) gives

$$\{\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\}\theta(y)\{\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\} = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

It then follows that

$$\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] - \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R \quad (30)$$

Right multiplication of (24) by  $\theta(x)$  gives

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^3) + \theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (31)$$

According to (30) and (31) we have

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^3) + \theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (32)$$

Left multiplication of (25) by  $[T(x), \theta(x)]$  gives

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^3yx)[T(x), \theta(x)] - [T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(xy^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ \forall x, y \in R. \quad (33)$$

Adding relations (26) and (33) and using (32) we obtain

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(yx^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \\ \forall x, y \in R. \quad (34)$$

Using (30) we obtain from the above relation

$$\{[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(yx^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \\ \forall x, y \in R. \quad (35)$$

Left multiplication of (35) by  $\theta(x^2)$  gives

$$\{\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)]\}\theta(yx^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

According to (30) one can replace  $\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)$  by  $\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)]$  in the above relation. Thus we have

$$\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

It now follows that

$$\theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \tag{36}$$

Because of (32) we have

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^3) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \tag{37}$$

Replacing  $\theta(y)$  by  $[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)$  in (17) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(x^3)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] &- \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \\ &= 0, \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

Using (36) the above relation reduces to

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(yx)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \tag{39}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $xy$  in (39) gives

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\theta(y)\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R,$$

It follows that

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \tag{40}$$

Putting  $x + y$  for  $x$  in (40) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

Putting  $-x$  for  $x$  in the above relation and combining the relation so obtained with (41) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

After comparing (41) and (42) we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $2x$  in the above relation and subtracting the relation so obtained from the above relation multiplied by 8, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(y) &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Comparing (43) and (44) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) &+ \theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) \\ &+ \theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Right multiplication of (45) by  $\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]$  and using (36) gives

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (46)$$

Left multiplication of (46) by  $\theta(x)$  gives

$$\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

It follows, by the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$ , that

$$\theta(x^2)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (47)$$

Because of (24) we also have

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x^2) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (48)$$

Right multiplication of (45) by  $\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]$  gives because of (47)

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

By the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$  it follows that

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (49)$$

Left multiplication of (45) by  $[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)$  and use of (48) gives

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x)\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

By the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$  we obtain

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (50)$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + y$  in (50) and then using (50) gives

$$\begin{aligned} [T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) &+ [T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + [T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(y) + [T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + \\ &+ [T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(y) + [T(y), \theta(y)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \end{aligned}$$

Putting  $-x$  for  $x$  in the above relation and comparing the relation so obtained with the above relation gives:

$$[T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + [T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) + [T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y) = 0, \\ \forall x, y \in R. \quad (51)$$

Right multiplication of the above relation by  $[T(x), \theta(x)]$  use of (49) gives

$$[T(x), \theta(x)]\theta(y)[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

By the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$  we get,

$$[T(x), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x \in R. \quad (52)$$

Now we will prove that

$$T(xy + yx) = T(y)\theta(x) + \theta(x)T(y), \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (53)$$

In order to prove the above relation we need to prove the following relation

$$[A(x, y), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R, \quad (54)$$

where  $A(x, y)$  stands for  $T(xy + yx) - T(y)\theta(x) - \theta(x)T(y)$ . With respect to this notation equation (2) can be rewritten as,

$$\theta(x)A(x, y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (55)$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + y$  in relation (50) gives

$$[T(x), \theta(y)] + [T(y), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (56)$$

After replacing  $y$  by  $xy + yx$  in (56) and using (50) we obtain

$$\theta(x)[T(x), \theta(y)] + [T(x), \theta(y)]\theta(x) + [T(xy + yx), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

According to (56) we can replace in the above relation  $[T(x), \theta(y)]$  by  $-[T(y), \theta(x)]$ . We then have

$$[T(xy + yx), \theta(x)] - \theta(x)[T(y), \theta(x)] - [T(y), \theta(x)]\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

This can be written in the form

$$[T(xy + yx) - T(y)\theta(x) - \theta(x)T(y), \theta(x)] = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

The proof of relation (54) is therefore complete.

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + z$  in (55) and using (55) gives

$$\theta(x)A(x, y)\theta(z) + \theta(x)A(z, y)\theta(x) + \theta(z)A(x, y)\theta(x) + \theta(z)A(z, y)\theta(x) + \\ \theta(z)A(x, y)\theta(z) + \theta(x)A(z, y)\theta(z) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R.$$

After replacing  $x$  for  $-x$  in the above relation and adding the relation so obtained to the above relation we arrive at:

$$\theta(x)A(x, y)\theta(z) + \theta(x)A(z, y)\theta(x) + \theta(z)A(x, y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R.$$

Right multiplication of the above relation by  $A(x, y)\theta(x)$  and using (55) gives

$$\theta(x)A(x, y)\theta(z)A(x, y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R. \quad (57)$$

Using (54), the above relation can be written in the form

$$\theta(x)A(x, y)\theta(z)\theta(x)A(x, y) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R. \quad (58)$$

By the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$  it follows that

$$\theta(x)A(x, y) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (59)$$

From (54) and (59) we also get

$$A(x, y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R. \quad (60)$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + z$  in (60) gives

$$A(x, y)\theta(z) + A(z, y)\theta(x) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R.$$

Right multiplication of the above relation by  $A(x, y)$  and using (59) gives

$$A(x, y)\theta(z)A(x, y) = 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in R,$$

By the surjectivity of  $\theta$  and the semiprimeness of  $R$  it follows that

$$A(x, y) = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in R.$$

The proof of (53) is therefore complete. In particular when  $y = x$  (53) reduces to

$$2T(x^2) = T(x)\theta(x) + \theta(x)T(x), \quad \forall x \in R.$$

Using (52), the above relation yields

$$T(x^2) = T(x)\theta(x), \quad \forall x \in R,$$

and

$$T(x^2) = \theta(x)T(x), \quad \forall x \in R,$$

This means that  $T$  is a left and also a right Jordan  $\theta$ -centralizer. By Theorem (2) in [1] it follows that  $T$  is a left and also right  $\theta$ -centralizer, which completes the proof.  $\square$

As a direct consequence, when  $\theta$  is the identity map then Theorem 2.3.2 in [2] gives as the following result

**Corollary 2.3.** *Let  $R$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring and let  $T : R \longrightarrow R$  be an additive mapping. suppose that  $T(xy) = T(x)y + xT(y)$  and  $xT(y) = xT(y)x + xyT(x)$  holds for all pairs  $x, y \in R$ . Then  $T$  is a left and also a right centralizer of  $R$ . Moreover, there exist an element  $\lambda \in C$ , where  $C$  is the extended centroid of  $R$ , such that  $T(x) = \lambda x$  for all  $x \in R$ .*

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