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# On (f,g)-Derivations of G-Algebras

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#### Abstract

The notion of an (f,g)-derivation of a G-algebra is introduced and some related properties are investigated. Also the concept of regular (f,g)-derivation is provided and some results are obtained. Moreover, a condition of two (f,g)-derivations to be an (f,g)-derivation is given.

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## 1 Introduction and preliminaries

The notion of derivations as defined in rings and near-rings theory (see [6]) has been applied to BCI-algebra by Jun and Xin in [7] and then by Abujabal and Al-Shehri in [1]. Many researches have been done on derivations of BCI-algebra in different aspects. For example,  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations of BCI-algebra was introduced in [9] and some related properties were investigated. In [10], the notion of t-derivations of BCI-algebra was given and the study was extended to t-derivations of a p-semisimple BCI-algebra. In [11], the notion of  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivations of a BCI-algebra and some results on inside (or outside)  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivations of BCI-algebra are discussed. Then a new kind of derivations of BCI-algebra has been introduced in [8]. On the other hand, some authors applied the notion of derivations on different classes of abstract algebras such as BCC-algebra, B-algebra and G-algebra and some related properties have

been investigated (see [12], [4] and [3].) Moreover, a new kind of derivations of G-algebra named  $f_q$ -derivation has been introduced in [2].

In this paper we continue to study derivations of G-algebra, in particular, (f,g)-derivation. We start, in Section 1, by giving definitions and propositions needed. In Section 2, we introduce the notion of an (f,g)-derivation and regular (f,g)-derivation of a G-algebra and we obtain some results. Moreover, we give a condition for the composition of two (f,g)-derivations of a G-algebra to be an (f,g)-derivation. We recall the following definitions and propositions of G-algebra.

**Definition 1.1** ([5, Definition 2.1]) A G-algebra is a non-empty set X with a constant 0 and a binary operation \* satisfying the axioms:

- $(1) \quad x * x = 0,$
- (2) x \* (x \* y) = y, for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Proposition 1.2** ([5, Proposition 2.1]) If (X, \*, 0) is a G-algebra, then the following conditions hold:

- $(1) \quad x * 0 = x,$
- (2) 0\*(0\*x) = x, for any  $x \in X$ .

**Proposition 1.3** ([5, Proposition 2.2]) Let (X, \*, 0) be a G-algebra. Then, the following conditions hold for any  $x, y \in X$ ,

- $(1) \quad (x * (x * y)) * y = 0,$
- $(2) \quad x * y = 0 \Longrightarrow x = y,$
- $(3) \quad 0 * x = 0 * y \Longrightarrow x = y.$

**Theorem 1.4** ([5, Theorem 2.6]) Let X be a G-algebra. Then the following are equivalent, for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

- (1) (x\*y)\*z = (x\*z)\*y.
- (2) (x \* y) \* (x \* z) = z \* y.

**Theorem 1.5** ([5, Theorem 2.7]) Let X be a G-algebra. Then the following are equivalent, for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

(1) 
$$(x*y)*(x*z) = (z*y).$$

$$(2) \quad (x*z)*(y*z) = x*y.$$

**Lemma 1.6** ([5, Lemma 2.1]) Let (X, \*, 0) be a G-algebra. Then a\*x = a\*y implies x = y for any  $a, x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 1.7** ([5, Definition 3.2]) For any G-algebra X, the set  $B(X) = \{x \in X \mid 0 * x = 0\}$  is called a p-radical of X. If  $B(X) = \{0\}$  then G-algebra is said to be p-semisimple. The set  $G(X) = \{x \in X \mid 0 * x = x\}$  is called the G-part of X. It is obvious that  $B(X) \cap G(X) = \{0\}$ .

**Proposition 1.8** ([5, Proposition 3.1]) Let X be a G-algebra. Then  $x \in G(X)$  if and only if  $0 * x \in G(X)$ .

**Theorem 1.9** ([5, Theorem 3.4]) Let X be a G-algebra. If G(X) = X then X is p-semisimple.

**Definition 1.10** ([5, Definition 3.3]) A G-algebra (X, \*, 0) satisfying:

$$(x * y) * (z * u) = (x * z) * (y * u), for any x, y, z, u \in X$$

is called a medial G-algebra.

**Lemma 1.11** ([5, Lemma 3.1]) If X is a medial G-algebra, then for any  $x, y, z \in X$ , the following holds:

- (1) (x\*y)\*x = 0\*y,
- (2) x \* (y \* z) = (x \* y) \* (0 \* z),
- (3) (x\*y)\*z = (x\*z)\*y.

**Definition 1.12** ([5, Definition 3.1]) A G-algebra X is said to be 0-commutative if x \* (0 \* y) = y \* (0 \* x), for all  $x, y \in X$ .

In G-algebra, define the binary operation  $\wedge$  of the elements x and y as  $x \wedge y = y * (y * x)$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ . An element  $a \in X$  is said to be an initial element (p-atom) of X, if x \* a = 0 implies x = a. Denote the set of all initial elements in X by  $L_p(X)$ . Note that  $L_p(X) = \{a \in X \mid 0 * (0 * a) = a\}$ .

Define – operation as x-y=x\*y, for all  $x,y\in X$  and define + as x+y=x\*(0\*y), for all  $x,y\in X$ . Then in any G-algebra (X,\*,0) the following is true for all  $x,y\in X$ :

- $(1) \quad x + 0 = 0 + x = x,$
- (2) (x+y) + z = x + (y+z).

Table 1:

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*	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	0	2
2	2	1	0

Table 2:

*	0	1	2	3
0	0	3	2	1
1	1	0	3	2
2	2	1	0	3
3	3	2	1	0

**Definition 1.13** ([3, Definition 3.1]) Let X be a G-algebra and d a selfmap of X. We say that d is a left-right derivation (briefly (l,r)-derivation) of X if it satisfies the identity  $d(x*y) = (d(x)*y) \land (x*d(y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . If d satisfies the identity  $d(x*y) = (x*d(y)) \wedge (d(x)*y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , then d is said to be a right-left derivation (briefly (r, l)-derivation) of X. If d is both (l,r)-and (r,l)-derivation, then d is a derivation of X.

**Example 1.14** Consider the G-algebra given by Cayley Table 1. Define a  $map \ d: X \longrightarrow X \ by:$ 

$$d(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \text{ in } 0, 2; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then by direct calculations we have d(2\*2) = d(0) = 1 and d(2)\*2 = 1\*2 = 2. As  $d(2*2) \neq d(2)*2$  then d is not (l,r)-derivation of X. Similarly, d is not (r, l)-derivation of X as  $d(1 * 2) \neq 1 * d(2)$ .

Define a map  $d: X \longrightarrow X$  b

Then it is straight forward to check that d is a derivation of X.

Table 3:

*	0	1	2
0	0	2	1
1	1	0	2
2	2	1	0

# 2 The (f,g)-derivation of G-algebras

In this section we start with the notion of an (f, g)-derivation of a G-algebra, where f and g are endomorphisms of a G-algebra for the rest of the paper unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 2.1** Let X be a G-algebra. A left-right (f,g)-derivation (briefly (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation) of X is a self-map d of X satisfying the following identity, for all  $x,y \in X$ :

$$d(x * y) = (d(x) * f(y)) \wedge (g(x) * d(y)).$$

If d satisfies the identity:

$$d(x * y) = (f(x) * d(y)) \land (d(x) * g(y)),$$

then d is a right-left (f,g)-derivation (briefly (r,l)-(f,g)-derivation) of X. If d is both (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation and (r,l)-(f,g)-derivation of X then we say that d is an (f,g)-derivation of X.

**Example 2.2** Consider the G-algebra (X, \*, 0) given by Cayley Table 3. Let d be the zero map and f and g endomorphisms defined as follow: f(x) = 0 and

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 0; \\ 2, & \text{if } x = 1; \\ 1, & \text{if } x = 2. \end{cases}$$

Then, by using the assumption that d and f are zero maps, it is direct to show that d is an (f,g)-derivation of X.

This leads to the following result:

Corollary 2.3 Let X be a G-algebra and f be the zero map. If d is the zero map then d is an (f,g)-derivation of X.

**Example 2.4** Consider Example 2.2 with f an identity endomorphism. As d is the zero map, we have d(x \* y) = 0 but  $d(x) * f(y) = 0 * y \neq 0$  for some  $y \in X$ . Therefore, d is not a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X neither a (r,l)-(f,g)-derivation of X as  $f(x) * d(y) = x * 0 = x \neq 0$ , for all  $x \in X \setminus \{0\}$ .

Remark: In G-algebra, if f and g are the identity maps then every (f, g)derivation is the derivation defined in Definition 1.13.

**Proposition 2.5** Let d be a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of a medial G-algebra X. Then  $d(x) = d(x) \land g(x)$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

Proof: Let d be a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X. Then  $d(x) = d(x*0) = (d(x)*f(0)) \wedge (g(x)*d(0)) = (d(x)*0) \wedge (g(x)*d(0)) = d(x) \wedge (g(x)*d(0)) = (g(x)*d(0))*((g(x)*d(0))*d(x)) = (g(x)*d(0))*((g(x)*d(x))*d(0))$  (using Lemma 1.11(3)) as X is medial. Combining Theorem 1.4 and Theorem 1.5 we have,  $(g(x)*d(0))*((g(x)*d(x))*d(0)) = g(x)*(g(x)*d(x)) = d(x) \wedge g(x)$ .

**Definition 2.6** An (f,g)-derivation d of a G-algebra is said to be regular if d(0) = 0.

**Proposition 2.7** Let d be a (r, l)-(f, g)-derivation of a G-algebra X. Then  $d(x) = f(x) \wedge d(x)$ , for all  $x \in X$  if and only if d is regular.

Proof: " $\Rightarrow$ " Suppose that  $d(x) = f(x) \wedge d(x)$ . Then  $d(0) = f(0) \wedge d(0) = 0 \wedge d(0) = 0$  and hence d is regular.

" $\Leftarrow$ " Suppose that d is regular. Then  $d(x) = d(x*0) = (f(x)*d(0)) \wedge (d(x)*g(0)) = (f(x)*0) \wedge (d(x)*0) = f(x) \wedge d(x)$ .

**Theorem 2.8** Let X be a G-algebra. If d is a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X then d(a+b)=d(a)+f(b), for all  $a,b\in X$ . Similarly, if d is a (r,l)-(f,g)-derivation of X then d(a+b)=f(a)+d(b).

Proof: We have d(a+b) = d(a\*(0\*b)) = d(a)\*f(0\*b) = d(a)\*(f(0)\*f(b)) = d(a)\*(0\*f(b)) = d(a) + f(b). The second part is proved similarly.

Corollary 2.9 If G-algebra is 0-commutative then d(a + b) = d(b + a).

**Proposition 2.10** Let X be a G-algebra and d be an (f,g)-derivation of X. Then:

- $(1) \quad d(0) \in L_p(X),$
- (2) For all  $a \in L_p(X)$ , we have f(a) and  $g(a) \in L_p(X)$ .

Proof:

(1) From Proposition 1.3(2), we know that if x \* d(0) = 0 then x = d(0) and so  $d(0) \in L_p(X)$ .

(2) Let  $a \in L_p(X)$ . Then a = 0 \* (0 \* a). Therefore, f(a) = f(0 \* (0 \* a)) = f(0) \* f(0 \* a) = 0 \* (f(0) \* f(a)) = 0 \* (0 \* f(a)). Hence  $f(a) \in L_p(X)$ . Similarly it can be shown that  $g(a) \in L_p(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.11** Let X be a G-algebra and let d be a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X. Then:

- (1) For all  $a \in L_p(X)$ , d(a) = d(0) + f(a),
- (2) For all  $a \in L_p(X)$ ,  $d(a) \in L_p(X)$ ,
- (3) For all  $a, b \in L_p(X)$ , d(a+b) = d(a) + d(b) d(0).

Proof:

- (1) Let  $a \in L_p(X)$ . Then a = 0 \* (0 \* a). Therefore,  $d(a) = d(0 * (0 * a)) = (d(0) * f(0 * a)) \wedge (g(0) * d(0 * a)) = d(0) * (f(0) * f(a)) = d(0) * (0 * f(a)) = d(0) + f(a)$ .
- (2) Let  $a \in L_p(X)$ . Using (1), we have d(a) = d(0) + f(a), hence  $d(a) \in L_p(X)$  as d(0) and  $f(a) \in L_p(X)$  (from Proposition 2.10).
- (3) Let  $a, b \in L_p(X)$ . Then, using (1), d(a+b) = d(0) + f(a+b) = d(0) + f(a) + f(b) = f(a) + d(b) + d(0) d(0) = d(a) + d(b) d(0).

**Proposition 2.12** Let X be a G-algebra and d be a (r, l)-(f, g)-derivation of X. Then:

- (1) For all  $a \in G(X)$ ,  $d(a) \in G(X)$ ,
- (2) For all  $a \in L_p(X)$ ,  $d(a) \in L_p(X)$ ,
- (3) For all  $a \in X$ , d(a) = f(a) + d(0),
- (4) For all  $a, b \in X$ , d(a + b) = d(a) + d(b) d(0).

Proof:

- (1) Let  $a \in G(X)$ . Then a = 0 \* a and so d(a) = d(0 \* a) = f(0) \* d(a) = 0 \* d(a). Therefore  $d(a) \in G(X)$ .
- (2) Let  $a \in L_p(X)$ . Then a = 0 \* (0 \* a). Hence d(a) = f(0) \* d(0 \* a) = 0 \* (0 \* d(a)). Therefore,  $d(a) \in L_p(X)$ .
- (3) Let  $a \in X$ . Then d(a) = d(a \* 0) = f(a) \* d(0). As  $d(0) \in G(X)$ , then d(a) = f(a) \* (0 \* d(0)) = f(a) + d(0).
- (4) Similar prove to Proposition 2.11 (3).

**Proposition 2.13** Let X be a G-algebra, d a (r, l)-(f, g)-derivation of X and f the identity map on X. Then d is the identity map on X if and only if d is regular.

Proof: Let d be the identity map on X. From Proposition 2.12 (3), d(a) = d(0) + f(a), and so a = d(0) + a which gives d(0) = 0. On the other hand, let d(0) = 0. Then d(a) = d(a \* 0) = f(a) \* d(0) = a \* 0 = a.

**Theorem 2.14** Let X be a G-algebra and d an (f,g)-derivation of X. If there exists  $a \in X$  such that, for all  $x \in X$ , either d(x) \* f(a) = 0 or f(x) \* d(a) = 0 then d is regular.

Proof: Let  $a \in X$  such that d(x) \* f(a) = 0, for all  $x \in X$ . Then 0 = d(x) \* f(a) = f(x) \* d(a) = d(x \* a). Hence d(0) = 0. This proves that d is regular.

**Definition 2.15** Let X be a G-algebra and  $d_1, d_2$  be an (f, g)-derivation of X. We define  $d_1 \circ d_2 : X \to X$  by  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(x) = d_1(d_2(x))$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

**Theorem 2.16** Let d be a regular (f,g)-derivation of a G-algebra X. If  $d^2(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in L_p(X)$  then  $(f \circ d)(x) = \frac{1}{2}((f \circ d)(0))$  for all  $x \in L_p(X)$ .

Proof: Let  $x \in L_p(X)$  such that  $d^2(x) = 0$ . Therefore  $x + x \in L_p(X)$  and so  $d^2(x + x) = 0$ . So we have  $0 = d^2(x + x) = d(d(x + x)) = d(0) + f(d(x + x)) = 0 + f(d(x) + d(x) - d(0)) = 2f(d(x)) - f(d(0))$  and so  $(f \circ d)(x) = \frac{1}{2}((f \circ d)(0))$ .

Corollary 2.17 Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be two regular (f,g)-derivations of a G-algebra X. If  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in L_p(X)$  then  $(f \circ d_2)(x) = \frac{1}{2}((f \circ d_2)(0))$  for all  $x \in L_p(X)$ .

**Definition 2.18** A G-algebra X is said to be torsion free if it satisfies x + x = 0 implies x = 0, for all  $x \in X$ . If there exists a nonzero element  $x \in X$  such that x + x = 0 then X is not a torsion free.

**Example 2.19** The algebra X given in Example 1.14, is not a torsion free as there exist a non zero element  $1 \in X$  such that 1 + 1 = 1 \* (0 \* 1) = 0.

**Theorem 2.20** Let X be a torsion free G-algebra and d be a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X such that  $(f \circ d)(x) = d(x)$ . Then for all  $x \in L_p(X)$ , if  $d^2(x) = 0$  we have d(x) = 0.

Proof: Let  $x \in L_p(X)$  such that  $d^2(x) = 0$ . As  $x \in L_p(X)$ , we have  $x + x \in L_p(X)$ . Thus  $0 = d^2(x + x) = d(d(x + x)) = d(0) + f(d(x + x)) = d(0) + d(x + x) = d(0) + d(x) + d(x) - d(0) = d(x) + d(x)$ . As X is torsion free, then d(x) + d(x) = 0 implies d(x) = 0. This proves that d is the zero map.

**Theorem 2.21** Let X be a torsion free G-algebra,  $d_2$  an (f,g)-derivation and  $d_1$  a (l,r)-(f,g)-derivation of X such that for all  $x \in X$ ,  $(f \circ d_2)(x) = d_2(x)$ . If  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in X$ , then  $d_2(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

Proof: Suppose that  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(x) = 0$ . Then  $0 = (d_1 \circ d_2)(x+x) = d_1(d_2(x+x)) = d_1(0) + f(d_2(x+x)) = d_1(0) + d_2(x+x) = d_1(0) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x) - d_2(0)) = d_1(0) - d_2(0) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = (d_1(0) * d_2(0)) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = (d_1(0) * d_2(0)) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = (d_1(0) + d_2(0)) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = (d_1(0) + f(d_2(0))) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = d_1(d_2(0)) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)) = (d_1 \circ d_2)(0) + (d_2(x) + d_2(x)).$  Having  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(0) = 0$  gives  $d_2(x) + d_2(x) = 0$  and so  $d_2(x) = 0$  as X is torsion free.

**Theorem 2.22** Let X be a G-algebra. If  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are (f,g)-derivations of X such that  $f^2 = f$ . Then  $d_1 \circ d_2$  is an (f,g)-derivation of X.

Proof: Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $(d_1 \circ d_2)(x*y) = d_1(d_2(x*y)) = d_1((d_2(x)*f(y)) \land (g(x)*d_2(y))) = d_1(d_2(x)*f(y)) = (d_1(d_2(x))*f(f(y))) = d_1(d_2(x))*f(y) = (d_1 \circ d_2(x)*f(y))$ . Therefore,  $d_1 \circ d_2$  is a (r, l)-(f, g)-derivation and it is proved similarly that  $d_1 \circ d_2$  is a (l, r)-(f, g)-derivation of X.

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