



SOME COMMUTATIVITY RESULTS ON CERTAIN RINGS

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Abstract:

In this we prove (1) a semi-prime ring R satisfying the condition $[xyz, [xy, yx]] = 0$, is commutative provided $\text{Char } R \neq 2$ and also (2) a non-associative 2-torsion free ring with unity 1 satisfying the condition $[x^2y^2-xy, x] = 0$ or $[x^2y^2-xy, y] = 0$, then R is commutative. Initially **Gupta** [3] proved that division ring D which satisfies the polynomial identity $xy^2x = yx^2y$ for all $x, y \in D$ must be commutative. This was generalized by **Awtar** [5] as "A semi prime ring R satisfying the condition $xy^2x - yx^2y \in Z(R)$ is commutative." **Al-mojil** generalized this theorem by showing that a 2-torsion free semi-prime ring in which xy commutes with $xy^2x - yx^2y$ for all $x, y \in R$, is commutative. We generalize this result as "In a 2-torsion free semi-prime ring, if xyz commutes with $xy^2x - yx^2y$ for all $x, y \in R$, then R is commutative. A result proved by **Ashraf and Quadri** [4] is that a semi-prime ring satisfying the condition $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ is commutative. We generalize this result by showing that a non-associative ring satisfying either of the conditions $[x^2y^2-xy, x] = 0$ and $[x^2y^2-xy, y] = 0$, is commutative provided $\text{Char } R \neq 2$.

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I. INTRODUCTION:

The study of associative and non- associative rings has evoked great interest and assumed importance. The results on associative and non- associative rings in which one does assume some identities in the center have been scattered throughout the literature. Many sufficient conditions are well known under which a given ring becomes commutative. Notable among them are some given by **Jacobson**, **Kaplansky** and Herstein. Many Mathematicians of recent years studied commutativity of certain rings with keen interest. Among these mathematicians **Herstein**, **Bell**, **Johnsen**, **Outcalt**, **Yaqub**, **Quadri** and **Abu-khuzam** are the ones whose contributions to this field are outstanding.

II. PRELIMINARIES:

Commutator

For every x, y in a ring R satisfying $[x, y] = xy - yx$ then $[x, y]$ is called a commutator

Commutative Ring

For every x, y in a ring R if $xy = yx$ then R is called a commutative ring.

Non-commutative ring is split from the commutative ring, i.e., R is not commutative with respect to multiplication. i.e., we cannot take $xy = yx$ for every x, y in R as an axiom.

Periodic Ring

For positive integers m, n with $m(x), n(x)$ such that $x^m = x^n$ for all x in R then R is called a periodic ring i.e., $m=m(x)$ and $n=n(x)$. Due to Chacron R is periodic if and only if for each $x \in R$, there exists a positive integers $k=k(x)$ and a polynomial $f(\lambda) = f_x(\lambda)$ with integer co-efficient such that $x^k = x^{k+1}f(x)$.

Prime Ring

A ring R is called a prime ring if whenever A and B are ideals of R such that $AB = 0$ then either $A = 0$ or $B = 0$.

Semi Prime Ring

A ring R is semi prime if for any ideal A of R , $A^2 = 0$ implies $A = 0$. These rings are also referred to as rings free from trivial ideals.

Primitive Ring

A ring R is defined as primitive in case it possesses a regular maximal right ideal, which contains no two-sided ideal of the ring other than the zero ideal.

Division Ring

A ring R is said to be a division ring if its non-zero elements form a group with respect to multiplication.

Center

In a ring R , the center denoted by $Z(R)$ is the set of all elements $x \in R$ such that $xy=yx$ for all $x \in R$. It is important to note that this definition does not depend on the associative of multiplication and in fact, we shall have occasion to deal with derivation of non-associative algebras.

III. MAIN RESULTS:

Theorem 1. Let R be a 2-torsion-free semi-prime ring such that $[xyz, [xy, yx]] = 0$ for all x, y in R . Then R is commutative.

Proof : By Hypothesis.

$$(xy^2x - yx^2y)xyz = xyz(xy^2x - yx^2y) \quad \dots 1.1$$

Replacing x by $x + y$ in 1.1, we obtain

$$(xy^2x - yx^2y)(xyz + y^2z) + [y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2](xyz + y^2z) \\ = (xyz + y^2z)(xy^2y) + (xyz + y^2z) \quad \dots 1.2$$

$$[y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]$$

Again replace x by $x + y$ in 1.2 to yield.

$$[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2][xyz + y^2z + y^2z] \\ + [y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2][xyz + y^2z] \\ = (xyz + y^2z + y^2z)[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2] \\ + (xyz + y^2z + y^2z)(y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2) \quad \dots 1.3$$

Using (1.2) in (1.3), we obtain

$$[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]y^2x \\ + [y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2][xyz + y^2z + y^2z] \\ = y^2z[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2] \\ + [xyz + y^2z + y^2z][y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2] \quad \dots 1.4$$

Again replacement of x by $x + y$ in (1.4) yields

$$[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]y^2z + [y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]y^2z \\ + [y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2][xyz + y^2z + y^2z] = \\ y^2z[xy^2x - yx^2y + y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2] \\ + [xyz + y^2z + y^2z][y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]$$

Simplifying and using (1.4), we obtain

$$2[y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]y^2z = 2y^2z[y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]$$

But since R is 2-torsion free, so we obtain

$$[y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2]z = y^2z[y^2(yx - xy) + (xy - yx)y^2] \\ [(xy - yx)y^2 - y^2(xy - yx)]y^2z = y^2z[(xy - yx)y^2 - y^2(xy - yx)]$$

i.e., ...1.5

Replacing z by $z + y$ in (1.5) and using (1.5) we obtain

$$[(xy-yx)y^2 - y^2(xy - yx)]y^2z = y^2[(xy - yx)y^2 - y^2(xy - yx)]$$

$$\text{i.e., } [[x, y], y^2], y^3 = 0 \quad \text{...1.6}$$

Let I_r denote the inner derivation with respect to r i.e., $I_r : X \rightarrow [r, x]$, then (1.6) becomes $I_{y^3}I_{y^2}I_y(x) = 0$. Using lemma which is applicable in prime rings we have either $I_{y^3}I_{y^2} = 0$ or $I_y = 0$. If $I_{y^3}I_{y^2} = 0$ then for $x, y \in R$, $I_{y^3}I_{y^2}(x) = 0$. Then again by lemma. Either $I_{y^3} = 0$ or $I_{y^2} = 0$ i.e., $y^3 \in Z(R)$ or $y^2 \in Z(R)$.

Then in both the cases we have either $[y^3, x] = 0$ or $[y^2, x] = 0$ which by lemma yields that R is commutative. Now consider the case $I_y = 0$ which implies

$$I_y(x) = 0 \text{ or } xy - yx = 0, \text{ i.e., } xy = yx.$$

Thus in all the cases R is commutative. Since R is isomorphic to subdirect sum of prime ring R_0 , each of which as homomorphic image of R satisfies the hypothesis imposed on R so theorem holds for semi-prime rings also. \square

Theorem 2.: A non-associative ring with unity 1 satisfying either of the conditions :

$$(a) [x^2y^2 - xy, x] = 0 \quad (b) [x^2y^2 - xy, y] = 0$$

is commutative provided it is 2-torsion free.

Proof . By hypothesis (a) we have

$$(x^2y^2 - xy)x = x(x^2y^2 - xy) \quad \text{...2.1}$$

Replacing y by $y + 1$ in 2.1 and using it, we obtain

$$2x(x^2y) = 2(x^2y)x$$

Since R is 2-torsion free hence

$$x(x^2y) = (x^2y)x \quad \text{...2.2}$$

Now replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.2 and using it we yield

$$2x(xy) + xy = 2(xy)x + yx \quad \text{...2.3}$$

Again replacing x by $x + 1$ and using 2.3 we obtain

$$2xy = 2yx$$

i.e., $2(xy - yx) = 0$. But R is 2-torsion free.

So we have $xy = yx$. Thus R is commutative. Hypothesis (b) gives us

$$(x^2y^2 - xy)y = y(x^2y^2 - xy) \quad \text{...2.4}$$

Replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.4 and using 2.4 we obtain

$$2(xy^2)y = 2y(xy^2)$$

But R is 2-torsion free, hence

$$(xy^2)y = y(xy^2) \quad \text{...2.5}$$

Now replace y by $y + 1$ in 2.5 and use 2.5 to obtain

$$2(xy)y + xy = 2y(xy) + yx \quad \text{...2.6}$$

Again replacing y by $y + 1$ in 2.6 and using 2.6 we obtain

$$2(xy - yx) = 0,$$

since R is 2-torsion free, this yields $xy = yx$. Thus R is commutative. \square

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