

ON COMMUTATIVITY OF PRIMITIVE RINGS WITH SOME IDENTITIES

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Abstract

We prove some commutativity theorems of non-associative Primitive rings with some identities in the center, We present some preliminary results that we need in the subsequent discussion and prove some commutativity theorems of non-associative rings. We prove that a non- associative primitive ring with $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ or $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R is commutative we prove that if R is a non-associative primitive ring with identity $(xy)^2 - y(x^2y) \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R is commutative. Also we prove that if R is an alternative prime ring with identity $(xy^2)x - (yx^2)y \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R , then R is commutative.

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Introduction

1.1 COMMUTATIVITY THEOREMS FOR NON-ASSOCIATIVEPRIMITIVE RINGS WITH $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$

Some commutativity theorems for certain non-associative rings, which are generalizations for the results of Johnsen and others and R.N, Gupta, are proved in this section. Johensen, Outcalt and Yaqub [45] provedthat if a non-associative ring R satisfy the identity $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2$ for all x, y in R , then R is commutative. The generalization of this result proved by R.D.Giri and others [29] states that if R is a non-associative primitive ring satisfies the identity $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2 \in Z(R)$, where $Z(R)$ denoted the center, then R is commutative, A modification of Johnsen's identity viz., $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2$ for all x, y in R for a non-associative ring R which has no element of additive order 2, is commutative was proved by R.N. Gupta [31]. R.D. Giri and others [29] generalized Gupta's result by taking $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2 \in Z(R)$

Now we present the generalizations of these results in the foilwing theorems.

Theorem 1.1:- If R is a non-associative primitive ring with unity satisfying $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2 \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R , then R is commutative.

Proof:- By hypothesis, $(xy)^2 - x^2y^2 \in Z(R)$ 1.1.

Replacing y by $y + 1$ in 1.1 and using it, we get

$x(xy) + (xy)x - 2x^2y \in Z(R)$ 1.2.

Now replacing x by $x + 1$ in 1.2.

We obtain $xy - yx \in Z(R)$.

Therefore $(xy - yx)$ is a two-sided ideal of R . We know that if R is a primitive ring, then R has a maximal right ideal which contains no non-zero ideal of R . Consequently, we obtain $(xy - yx)R = (0)$, which further yields $xy - yx = 0$ due to primitivity of R . This completes the proof of the theorem. 1.1

Theorem 1.2 If R is a 2-torsion free non-associative ring with unity satisfying $(xy)^2 = (yx)^2$ then R is commutative.

Proof:- Let $x, y \in R$.

Then $[x(1+y)^2] = [(1+y)x]^2$.

i.e., $(x+xy)^2 = (x+yx)^2$

i.e., $x^2 + x(xy) + (xy)x + (xy)^2 = x^2 + x(yx) + x + (yx)^2$

i.e., $x(xy) + (xy)x = x(yx) + (yx)x$ 1.3.

Replacing x by $1+x$ in 1.3, then we get

$(1+x)(y+xy) + (y+xy)(1+x) = (1+x)(y+yx) + (y+yx)(1+x)$.

Therefore, $y+xy+xy+x(xy) + y+yx+xy+(xy)x = y+yx+xy+x(yx) + y+yx+yx+yx+(yx)x$.

Using 1.3, we get $2(xy - yx) = 0$, i.e., $xy = yx$. Hence R is commutative.

Theorem 1.3 If R is a 2-torsion free non-associative primitive ring with unity such that $(xy)^2 - (yx)^2 \in Z(R)$, for all x, y in R , then R is commutative.

Proof:- Given $(xy)^2 - (yx)^2 \in Z(R)$ 1.4.

Replacing y by $y+1$ in 1.4 and using 1.4, we obtain

$x(xy) + (xy)x - x(yx) - (yx)x \in Z(R)$ 1.5.

Now replacing x by $x+1$ in 1.5 and using 1.5, we achieve, $2xy - 2yx \in Z(R)$.

i.e., $2(xy - yx) \in Z(R)$.

Since R is a 2-torsion free ring, $xy - yx \in Z(R)$. Now using the same argument as in the last paragraph of the proof of the theorem 1.1, we conclude that R is commutative.

Now we present, some examples to see that the unity and 2-torsion free are essential in theorems 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3.

Example - 1.1 The conditions $((xy)^2 - x^2y^2 \in Z(R))$ and $(xy)^2 - (yx)^2 \in Z(R)$ of theorems 1.1 and 1.2 along with the common of primitivity of R are indispensable.

This can be checked in the ring $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix} / a, b, c, d \in Z \right\}$

Example-1.2 The conditions for the ring R , having unity in the theorems 1.1 and 1.2 cannot be dropped. This can easily be verified for the ring

$R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a \\ 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix} / a, b \in Z \right\}$

Example- 1.3 The restriction on R , being 2-torsion free in theorem 1.2 is essential one. For if we consider the ring R of quaternions over the field of order 4 namely splitting field of $x^2 + x + 1$ over Z_2 , then it is not of 2-torsion free but satisfies the identity of theorem 1.2. Yet it is non-commutative.

Example-1.4 Theorem 1.3 is false for rings without unity. In fact any nilpotent ring of index < 4 and any nilring of index 2 will trivially satisfy $(xy)^2 - (yx)^2 \in Z(R)$, but such rings may not be commutative. As an example let F be any field. Define an algebra A over F

with basis $\{a, b, c\}$, where $ab = c$, all other products zero. A is nilpotent of index 3, A is not commutative.

2. COMMUTATIVITY THEOREMS FOR NON-ASSOCIATIVE

PRIMITIVE RINGS WITH $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$

It is well known that a Boolean ring satisfies $x^2 = x$, for all $x \in R$ and this implies commutativity. Similarly we can see the properties of rings in which $(xy)^2 = xy$ for each pair of elements $x, y \in R$. In [54] Quadri and others proved that an associative semiprime ring in which $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ is commutative. In this direction we prove that a 2-torsion free non-associative ring with unity satisfying $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ or $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$ is commutative. We give an example to show that the unity is essential in the hypothesis. Also, we prove that a non-associative primitive ring (not necessarily having unity) satisfying $(xy)^2 - xy$ (or) $(xy)^2 - yx$ is central for all $x, y \in R$ is commutative.

First we prove the following theorem:

Theorem 2.1 Let R be a 4-torsion free non-associative ring with unity satisfying

(i) $[(xy)^2 - xy, y] = 0$ or (ii) $[(xy)^2 - xy, x] = 0$. Then R is commutative.

Proof:- Hypothesis (i) yields $[(xy)^2 - xy]y = y[(xy)^2 - xy]$ 2.1.

Putting $x + 1$ for x in 2.1

$$[(xy)y]y + [y(xy)]y = y[y(xy)] + y[(xy)y]. \text{ 2.2.}$$

Now replacing y by $y + 1$ in 2.2 and simplifying it by keeping the brackets unchanged, we obtain

$$[(xy)y] + [y(xy)]y + 4(xy)y + y(xy) + (yx)y + 5xy + yx + 2x = y[y(xy)] + y[(xy)y] + (xy)y + 4y(xy) + 3xy + 3yx + y(yx) + 2x. \text{ 2.3.}$$

Now using 2.2 in equation 2.3, we get

$$3(xy)y + (yx)y + 2xy = 3y(xy) + y(yx) + 2yx. \text{ 2.4.}$$

Expanding 2.4 by replacing y by $y + 1$, we get

$$7xy + yx = 5yx + 3xy.$$

i.e., $4(xy - yx) = 0$.

But R is a 4-torsion free. Hence $xy - yx = 0$, i.e., $xy = yx$. Thus R is commutative.

Similarly, R is commutative if R satisfies (ii).

Theorem 2.2 Let R be a 2-torsion free non-associative ring with unity satisfying

$(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R . Then R is commutative.

Proof:- By hypothesis $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ 2.5.

Replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.5,

$$(xy)y + y(xy) + y^2 - y \in Z(R)$$

Again replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.6 and using it, we obtain

$$2y^2 \in Z(R) \text{ 2.6.}$$

Since R is a 2-torsion free,

$$y^2 \in Z(R). \text{ 2.7.}$$

Replacing y by xy in 2.7, we get

$$(xy)^2 \in Z(R). \text{ 2.8.}$$

But by hypothesis $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$, hence we get

$$xy \in Z(R) \text{ 2.9.}$$

Now again replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.9, we get

$$xy + y \in Z(R) \text{ 2.10.}$$

From the equations 2.9 and 2.10 we obtain $y \in Z(R)$ for all $y \in R$.

Hence R is commutative.

Theorem 2.3 Let R be a 2-torsion free non-associative ring with unity satisfying $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R . Then R is commutative.

Proof:- Given $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ 2.1 1.

Replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.11, we get

$(xy)y + y(xy) + (y)^2 - y \in Z(R)$ 2.12.

Again replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.12

We obtain $2(y)^2 \in Z(R)$

Since R is a 2-torsion free, then $(y)^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.13.

Now replacing y by xy in 2.13, we get

$(xy)^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.14.

But by hypothesis $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$

Hence we have $yx \in Z(R)$ 2.15.

Now again replacing x by $x + 1$ in 2.15, we get

$yx + y \in Z(R)$2 16.

Using 2.15, and 2.16, we obtain $y \in Z(R)$ for all $y \in R$, then R is commutative.

Theorem 2.4 If R is a 2-torsion free primitive ring which satisfy

$(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R , then R is commutative.

Proof:- By hypotheis, $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ 2.17.

Replacing x by $x + y$ in 2.17, we obtain

$(xy)y^2 - y^2(xy) + y^4 - y^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.18.

Now replacing x by y in $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$ we get

$y^4 - y^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.19.

Using 2.18, we obtain

$(xy)y^2 - y^2(xy) \in Z(R)$ 2.20.

We replacing x by $x + y$ in 2.20,

then $(xy)y^2 + y^4 + y^2(xy) + y^4 \in Z(R)$.

By 2.13 $y^4 + y^4 \in Z(R)$, i.e., $2y^4 \in Z(R)$.

Since R is a 2-torsion free ring,

$y^4 \in Z(R)$ 2.21.

Using 2.19, and 2.21, we obtain

$y^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.22.

Replacing y by xy in 2.22, we get $(xy)^2 \in Z(R)$

But by hypothesis $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$

Hence, $xy \in Z(R)$2.23.

Replacing y by $x + y$ in 2.22, we get $x^2 + y^2 + xy + yx \in Z(R)$.

Since $x^2, y^2 \in Z(R)$, we get

$xy + yx \in Z(R)$2.24.

From 2.23, and 2.24, $yx \in Z(R)$ Hence $xy - yx \in Z(R)$

If R is a primitive ring then R has a maximal right ideal which contains no non-zero ideal of R . Consequently, we obtain $(xy - yx)R = 0$, which fields $xy - yx = 0$ due to primitivity of R . Hence R is commutative.

Theorem 2.5 Let R be a 2-torsion free primitive ring which satisfy the identity

$(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$ for all x, y in R . Then R is commutative.

Proof:- Given $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$ 2.25.

Replacing x by $x + y$ in 2.25, and using 2.25, we obtain

$(xy)y^2 + y^2(xy) + y^4 - y^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.26.

Replacing x by y in 2.25, we get

$y^4 - y^2 \in Z(R)$ 2.27.

Using 2.26, and 2.27, we get

$$(xy)y^2 + y^2(xy) \in Z(R) \dots\dots\dots 2.28.$$

Now we replacing x by $x + y$ in 2.28,

$$\text{then } (xy)y^2 + y^4 + y^2(xy) + y^4 \in Z(R).$$

But by 2.28, $y^4 + y^4 \in Z(R)$. i.e., $2y^4 \in Z(R)$.

Since R is a 2-torsion free ring, then $y^4 \in Z(R) \dots\dots\dots 2.29.$

Using 2.27, and 2.29, we get $y^2 \in Z(R) \dots\dots\dots 2.30.$

Now replacing y by xy in 2.30, $(xy)^2 \in Z(R)$.

By hypothesis, $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$,

Hence, $yx \in Z(R) \dots\dots\dots 2.31.$

Replacing y by $x + y$ in 2.31, we get

$$xy \in Z(R) \dots\dots\dots 2.32.$$

Hence $xy - yx \in Z(R)$.

Now using the same argument as in the proof of theorem 2. 4, we conclude that R is commutative.

Now we give some examples showing that unity in the statement of the theorems is essential.

Example 2.1:- The ring $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} / a, b \in Z_4 \right\}$ is not of 4-torsion free and without unity.

However it satisfies the identity (i) of theorem 2.1. Yet R is not commutative. This shows that conditions of being 4-torsion free and having unity are essential.

Example 2.2:- The ring $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} / a, b \in Z_4 \right\}$ is a counter example to (ii) of theorem 2.1 to establish that the conditions of being 4-torsion free and having unity are essential.

Example 2.3:- Let $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} / a, b, c \in Z \right\}$ Clearly, R is not commutative though it

satisfy the relations $(xy)^2 - xy \in Z(R)$, or $(xy)^2 - yx \in Z(R)$, for all x, y in R .

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