

# ON TRACES OF PERMUTING $n$ -DERIVATIONS AND PERMUTING GENERALIZED $n$ -DERIVATIONS ON JORDAN IDEALS

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**Abstract.** In this paper we investigate some proprieties of permuting  $n$ -derivations acting on a Jordan Ideal of prime-rings. Some related results for left  $n$ -multipliers and generalized  $n$ -derivations are also discussed.

## 1 Introduction

In this paper,  $R$  will represent an associative ring. For any  $x, y \in R$  the symbol  $[x, y]$  will denote the commutator  $xy - yx$ ; while the symbol  $x \circ y$  will stand for the anti-commutator  $xy + yx$ .  $R$  is 2-torsion free if whenever  $2x = 0$ , with  $x \in R$  implies  $x = 0$ .  $R$  is prime if  $aRb = 0$  implies  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . An additive subgroup  $J$  of  $R$  is said to be a Jordan ideal of  $R$  if  $u \circ r \in J$ , for all  $u \in J$  and  $r \in R$ . A mapping  $f : R \rightarrow R$  is said to be centralizing (resp. commuting) on a subset  $S$  of  $R$  if  $[f(x), x] \in Z(R)$  (resp.  $[f(x), x] = 0$ ) for all  $x \in S$ . A derivation on  $R$  is an additive mapping  $d : R \rightarrow R$  such that  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . An additive mapping  $F : R \rightarrow R$  is called a generalized derivation if there exists a derivation  $d : R \rightarrow R$  such that  $F(xy) = F(x)y + xF(y)$  for all  $x, y \in R$ . In this case,  $F$  is called the generalized derivation associated with  $d$ . For a fixed positive integer  $n$ , a map  $\Delta : R^n \rightarrow R$  is  $n$ -additive if it satisfies  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i + x'_i, \dots, x_n) = \Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) + \Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_i, \dots, x_n)$  for all  $x_i, x'_i \in R$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . A map  $\Delta : R^n \rightarrow R$  is said to be permuting if  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) = \Delta(x_{\pi(1)}, x_{\pi(2)}, x_{\pi(3)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n)})$  for all  $x_i \in R$  and for every permutation  $\pi(1), \pi(2), \pi(3), \dots, \pi(n)$ . A map  $\delta : R \rightarrow R$  is called the trace of  $\Delta$  if  $\delta(x) = \Delta(x, x, x, \dots, x)$  for all  $x \in R$ . It is obvious to verify that if  $\Delta : R \rightarrow R$  is a permuting and  $n$ -additive mapping, then the trace  $\delta$  of  $\Delta$  satisfies the relation

$$\delta(x + y) = \delta(x) + \delta(y) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{i} \Delta(x, x, \dots, x, y, y, \dots, y)$$

where  $x$  appears  $(n - i)$ -times and  $y$  appears  $i$ -times.

Park [9] introduced the notion of permuting  $n$ -derivation as follows: a permuting map  $\Delta : R^n \rightarrow R$  is said to be a permuting  $n$ -derivation if  $\Delta$  is  $n$ -additive and  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i x'_i, \dots, x_n) = x_i \Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_i, \dots, x_n) + \Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) x'_i$  for all  $x_i, x'_i \in R$ . Clearly, a 1-derivation is a usual derivation and a 2-derivation is a symmetric bi-derivation. However, in the case of  $n = 3$  we get the concept of tri-derivation.

An  $n$ -additive mapping  $\Omega : R^n \rightarrow R$  is called a generalized  $n$ -derivation of  $R$  with associated  $n$ -derivation  $\Delta$  if

$$\Omega(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i x'_i, \dots, x_n) = \Omega(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) x'_i + x_i \Omega(x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_i, \dots, x_n)$$

for all  $x_i, x'_i \in R$ .

An additive subgroup  $J$  of  $R$  is said to be a Jordan ideal of  $R$  if  $u \circ r \in J$ , for all  $u \in J$  and  $r \in R$ . We shall use without explicit mention the fact that if  $J$  is a nonzero Jordan ideal of a ring  $R$ , then  $2[R, R]J \subseteq J$  and  $2J[R, R] \subseteq J$  ([8], Lemma 2.4). Moreover, from ([1], proof of Lemma 3) we have  $4j^2R \subseteq J$  and  $4Rj^2 \subseteq J$  for all  $j \in J$ . Since  $4j^2R = 2\{j(jr + rj) + (jr +$

$rj)j\} - \{2j^2 \cdot r + r \cdot 2j^2\}$ , it follows that  $4jRj \subset J$  for all  $j \in J$  (see [1], proof of Theorem 3). Many results in literature indicate how the global structure of a ring  $R$  is often tightly connected to the behaviour of additive mappings defined on  $R$ . A well known result due to Posner [7] states that a prime ring  $R$  which admits a nonzero centralizing derivation is commutative. Since then, several authors have done a great deal of work concerning commutativity of prime and semi-prime rings admitting different kinds of maps which are centralizing on some appropriate subsets of  $R$  ([3] and [6] for a further references). More recently several authors have studied various identities involving trace of permuting  $n$ -derivations (generalized  $n$ -derivation) and have obtained interesting theorems. In this paper we establish analogous results for the traces of permuting  $n$ -derivations (generalized  $n$ -derivation) acting on Jordan ideals.

## 2 Main results

The following lemmas are essential for developing the proofs of our results.

**Lemma 2.1.** ([6], Lemma 2.4) *Let  $n$  be a fixed positive integer and let  $R$  be a  $n!$ -torsion free prime ring. Suppose that  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \in R$  satisfy  $\lambda y_1 + \lambda^2 y_2 + \dots + \lambda^n y_n = 0$ , (or  $\in Z(R)$ ) for  $\lambda = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Then  $y_i = 0$  (or  $y_i \in Z(R)$ ) for all  $i$ .*

**Lemma 2.2.** ([4]) *Let  $R$  be a prime ring. Let  $d : R \rightarrow R$  be a derivation and  $a \in R$ . If  $ad(x) = 0$  holds for all  $x \in J$ , then we have either  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that:  $ad(x)$  for all  $x \in J$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $4xj^2$ , where  $j \in J$ , we get  $axd(j^2) = 0$ , so that  $aJd(j^2) = 0$ . Applying ([8], Lemma 2.6) we have  $a = 0$  or  $d(j^2) = 0$  for all  $j \in J$ . In the last case, ([5], Lemma 3) implies that  $d = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be a fixed positive integer and  $R$  be a  $(n+1)!$ -torsion free prime ring and  $J$  a nonzero Jordan ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a permuting  $n$ -derivation  $\Delta$  such that the trace  $\delta$  satisfies  $[[\delta(x), x], x] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x \in J$ . Then  $\delta$  is commuting on  $J$ .*

**Proof.** We are given that

$$[[\delta(x), x], x] \in Z(R) \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.1)$$

An easier computation shows that the trace  $\delta$  of  $\Delta$  satisfies the relation:

$$\delta(x+y) = \delta(x) + \delta(y) + \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{r} h_r(x, y) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \quad (2.2)$$

where  $h_r(x, y) = \Delta(x, x, x, \dots, x, y, y, \dots, y)$ ;  $y$  appears  $r$  times and  $x$  appears  $n-r$  times. Consider a positive integer  $k, 1 \leq k \leq n+1$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x+ky$  in (2.1), we obtain

$$kQ_1(x, y) + k^2Q_2(x, y) + \dots + k^{n+1}Q_{n+1}(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \quad (2.3)$$

where  $Q_i(x, y)$  denotes the sum of the terms in which  $y$  appears  $i$  times. Using (2.3) together with Lemma 2.1, we have

$$[[\delta(x), x], y] + [[\delta(x), y], x] + n[[\Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y), x], x] \in Z(R) \quad (2.4)$$

for all  $x, y \in J$ . Replacing  $y$  by  $4y^2z$  in (2.4), where  $z \in J$ , we get

$$[[\delta(x), x], y^2z] + [[\delta(x), y^2z], x] + n[[\Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y^2z), x], x] \in Z(R). \quad (2.5)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in J$ . Substituting  $8xy^2z$  for  $y$  in (2.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} x([[ \delta(x), x ], y^2z] + [[ \delta(x), y^2z ], x] + n[[ \Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y^2z), x ], x]) + (n+2)[[ \delta(x), x ], x]y^2z \\ + (2n+1)[ \delta(x), x ][y^2z, x] + n\delta(x)[[y^2z, x], x] \in Z(R) \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

which leads to

$$(3n+3)[[ \delta(x), x ], x ][y^2z, x] + (3n+1)[ \delta(x), x ][[y^2z, x], x] + n\delta(x)[[[y^2z, x], x], x] = 0 \quad (2.7)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $2z[\delta(x), x]$  in (2.7) and comparing with (2.4), we find that

$$(3n + 3)[[\delta(x), x], x]^2 y^2 z + (6n + 2)[\delta(x), x][y^2 z, x][[\delta(x), x], x] + 3n\delta(x)[[y^2 z, x], x][[\delta(x), x], x] = 0 \tag{2.8}$$

and thus

$$(9n + 5)[[\delta(x), x], x]^2 [y^2 z, x] + (9n + 2)[\delta(x), x][[y^2 z, x], x][[\delta(x), x], x] + 3n\delta(x)[[y^2 z, x], x][[\delta(x), x], x] = 0 \tag{2.9}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in J$ . It now follows, from (2.7) and (2.9), that

$$4[[\delta(x), x], x]^2 [y^2 z, x] + [\delta(x), x][[y^2 z, x], x][[\delta(x), x], x] = 0. \tag{2.10}$$

Once again replacing  $z$  by  $2z[\delta(x), x]$  and using (2.10), we obtain

$$[[\delta(x), x], x]^2 (4[[\delta(x), x], x] y^2 z + 2[\delta(x), x][y^2 z, x]) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.11}$$

Writing  $2z[r, t]$  instead of  $z$  in (2.11), where  $r, t \in R$ , we get

$$[[\delta(x), x], x]^2 [\delta(x), x] y^2 z [[r, t]x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in J; \ r, t \in R. \tag{2.12}$$

Since  $N$  is prime, then (2.12) shows that

$$[[\delta(x), x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in J. \tag{2.13}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + ky$  in (2.13), we obtain

$$kQ_1(x, y) + k^2Q_2(x, y) + \dots + k^{n+1}Q_{n+1}(x, y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in J. \tag{2.14}$$

Once again applying Lemma 2.1, we obtain

$$[[\delta(x), x], y] + [[\delta(x), y], x] + n[\Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y), x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in J. \tag{2.15}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8xyz^2uv$  in (2.15), where  $u, v, z \in J$ , we get

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x][zy^2uv, x] + n\delta(x)[[zy^2uv, x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } u, v, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.16}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8xrzy^2uv$  in (2.15), where  $u, v, z \in J$  and  $r \in R$ , we get

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x][rzy^2uv, x] + n\delta(x)[[rzy^2uv, x], x] = 0 \text{ for all } u, v, x, y, z \in J; \ r \in R \tag{2.17}$$

in such a way that

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x][r[zy^2uv, x] + [r, x]zy^2uv] + n\delta(x)(2[r, x][zy^2uv, x] + r[[zy^2uv, x], x] + [[r, x], x]zy^2uv) = 0 \tag{2.18}$$

for all  $u, v, x, y, z \in J, \ r \in R$ . Taking  $r = \delta(x)$  in the last expression we get

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x](\delta(x)[zy^2uv, x] + [\delta(x), x]zy^2uv) + n\delta(x)(2[\delta(x), x][zy^2uv, x] + \delta(x)[[zy^2uv, x], x]) = 0. \tag{2.19}$$

Invoking (2.17), we get

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x](\delta(x)[zy^2uv, x] + [\delta(x), x]zy^2uv) + 2n\delta(x)[\delta(x), x][zy^2uv, x] - (2n + 1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x][zy^2uv, x] = 0 \tag{2.20}$$

and thus

$$(2n + 1) \left( [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x] \right) [zy^2uv, x] + (2n + 1)[\delta(x), x]^2 zy^2uv = 0 \tag{2.21}$$

If we replace  $y$  by  $8x\delta(x)zy^2$  in (2.15), then we get

$$\left( (2n+1)[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x] \right) [zy^2, x] + (2n+1)[\delta(x), x]^2 zy^2 = 0 \quad (2.22)$$

Comparing (2.21) and (2.22) we conclude that

$$\left( (2n+1)[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x] \right) zy^2[uv, x] = 0 \quad (2.23)$$

so that

$$((2n+1)[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x])Jy^2[uv, x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, v, x, y \in J. \quad (2.24)$$

Since  $R$  is prime, then either  $(2n+1)[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x] = 0$  or  $y^2[uv, x] = 0$ , in which case we obtain  $x \in Z(R)$ . Hence in both cases we have

$$(2n+1)[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) - \delta(x)[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.25)$$

Similarly replacing  $y$  by  $8uvy^2r\delta(x)x$  in (2.15), where  $u, v \in J$  and  $r \in R$  we get

$$(2n+1)[uvy^2r\delta(x), x][\delta(x), x] + n[[uvy^2r\delta(x), x], x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad (2.26)$$

which leads to

$$(2n+1)[uvy^2r, x]\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] + (2n+1)uvy^2r[\delta(x), x]^2 + 2n[uvy^2r, x][\delta(x), x]\delta(x) \\ n[[uvy^2r, x], x]\delta(x)^2 = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, v, x, y \in J, \quad r \in R. \quad (2.27)$$

If we replace  $y$  by  $8uvy^2rx$  in (2.15), where  $u, v, y \in J$  and  $r \in R$ , we find that

$$(2n+1)[uvy^2r, x][\delta(x), x] + n[[uvy^2r, x], x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, v, x, y \in J; \quad r \in R. \quad (2.28)$$

Using (2.28) together with (2.27) we see that

$$(2n+1)[uvy^2r, x]\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] + (2n+1)uvy^2r[\delta(x), x]^2 + 2n[uvy^2r, x][\delta(x), x]\delta(x) \\ -(2n+1)[uvy^2r, x][\delta(x), x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, v, x, y \in J; \quad r \in R \quad (2.29)$$

so that

$$[uvy^2r, x]((2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x)) + (2n+1)uvy^2r[\delta(x), x]^2 = 0 \quad (2.30)$$

Similarly if we replace  $y$  by  $8y^2r\delta(x)x$  in (2.15), where  $r \in R$ , we get

$$[y^2r, x]((2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x)) + (2n+1)y^2r[\delta(x), x]^2 \quad (2.31)$$

By virtue of (2.30), equation (2.31) forces

$$[uv, x]y^2r \left( (2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) \right) = 0 \quad (2.32)$$

and so

$$[uv, x]y^2R \left( (2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) \right) = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, v, x, y \in J. \quad (2.33)$$

In light of the primeness of  $R$ , we conclude that either  $(2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) = 0$  or  $[uv, x]y^2 = 0$ . Arguing as above, in both the cases we have

$$(2n+1)\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] - [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.34)$$

Adding (2.25) and (2.34), because of  $(n+1)!$  torsion freeness, we find that

$$\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] + [\delta(x), x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.35)$$

Analogously, adding (2.25) and (2.35) we see that

$$[\delta(x), x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.36}$$

Accordingly, equation (2.25) reduces to

$$\delta(x)[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.37}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + ky$  in (2.37), we obtain

$$kB_1(x, y) + k^2B_2(x, y) + \dots + k^{n+1}B_{n+1}(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \tag{2.38}$$

where  $B_i(x, y)$  denotes the sum of the terms in which  $y$  appears  $i$  times. Application of Lemma 2.1 and (2.3) gives that

$$\delta(x)[\delta(x), y] + n\delta(x)[\Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y), x] + n\Delta(x, x, x, \dots, y)[\delta(x), x] = 0 \tag{2.39}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8ury^2vx$  in (2.39), where  $u, v, x, y \in J$  and  $r \in R$ , we obtain

$$(n + 1)\delta(x)ury^2v[\delta(x), x] + n\delta(x)[ury^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.40}$$

Substituting  $8xury^2vx$  for  $y$  in (2.39), where  $u, v, x, y \in J$  and  $r \in R$ , we get

$$(n + 1)\delta(x)xury^2v[\delta(x), x] + n\delta(x)x[ury^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.41}$$

Left multiplying (2.40) by  $x$  and using (2.41), it is obvious to see that

$$(n + 1)[\delta(x), x]ury^2v[\delta(x), x] + n[\delta(x), x][ury^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.42}$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8\delta(x)sz^2ry^2vx$  in (2.4), where  $s \in R$  we get

$$(2n + 1)[\delta(x), x]sz^2ry^2v[\delta(x), x] + 2n[\delta(x), x][sz^2ry^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.43}$$

Writing  $sz^2$  instead of  $u$  in (2.42), where  $z \in J$  and  $s \in R$  we get

$$(n + 1)[\delta(x), x]sz^2ry^2v[\delta(x), x] + n[\delta(x), x][sz^2ry^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.44}$$

Combining (2.43) and (2.44), because of the torsion restriction, we find that

$$[\delta(x), x]sz^2ry^2v[\delta(x), x] + [\delta(x), x][sz^2ry^2v, x]\delta(x) = 0 \tag{2.45}$$

for all  $v, x, y, z \in J$ , and  $r, s \in R$ . Comparing (2.44) and (2.45) we conclude that

$$[\delta(x), x]sz^2ry^2v[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } v, x, y, z \in J, \text{ and } r, s \in R \tag{2.46}$$

so that

$$[\delta(x), x]sz^2Ry^2v[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } v, x, y, z \in J, \text{ and } s \in R. \tag{2.47}$$

Since  $R$  is prime, the we can conclude that  $[\delta(x), x]sz^2 = 0$  or  $y^2v[\delta(x), x] = 0$ . But in both the cases one can see that for each  $x \in J$ ,  $[\delta(x), x] = 0$  and our proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be a fixed positive integer and  $R$  be a noncommutative  $(n + 1)!$ -torsion free prime ring and  $J$  a nonzero Jordan ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a permuting generalized  $n$ -derivation  $\Omega$  with associated  $n$ -derivation  $\Delta$  such that the trace  $\omega$  of  $\Omega$  is commuting on  $R$ . Then  $\Omega$  is a left  $n$ -multiplier on  $R$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that

$$[\omega(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.48}$$

It is obvious to verify that

$$\omega(x + y) = \omega(x) + \omega(y) + \sum \binom{n}{r} H_r(x, y) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \tag{2.49}$$

where  $H_i(x, y) = \Omega(x, x, x, \dots, x, y, y, \dots, y)$ ;  $y$  appears  $i$  times.

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + ky$  in (2.48), where  $1 \leq k \leq n$  is a positive integer, we get

$$[\omega(x + ky), x + ky] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \quad (2.50)$$

so that

$$[\omega(x) + \omega(ky) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{i} H_i(x, y), x + ky] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \quad (2.51)$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} k([\omega(x), y] + \binom{n}{1}[H_1(x, y), x]) + k^2(\binom{n}{1}[H_1(x, y), y] + \binom{n}{2}[H_2(x, y), x]) \\ + \dots + k^n([\omega(y), x] + \binom{n}{n-1}[H_{n-1}(x, y), x]) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J \end{aligned} \quad (2.52)$$

Application of Lemma 2.1 yields

$$[\omega(x), y] + \binom{n}{1}[H_1(x, y), x] = [\omega(x), y] + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, y), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.53)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8zuy^2vx$ , where  $u, v, x, y, z \in J$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= zuy^2v[\omega(x), x] + [\omega(x), zuy^2v]x + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, zuy^2v)x + zuy^2v\Delta(x, x, \dots, x), x] \\ &= [\omega(x), zuy^2v]x + nzuy^2v[\delta(x), x] + n[zuy^2v, x]\delta(x) + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, zuy^2v), x]x \\ &= n[zuy^2v, x]\delta(x) + nzuy^2v[\delta(x), x] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $R$  is  $(n+1)!$ -torsion free, it then follows that

$$[zuy^2v, x]\delta(x) + zuy^2v[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.54)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $2[r, t]z$ , where  $r, t \in R$ , and invoking (2.54), we have

$$[[r, t], x]zy^2v\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } v, x, y \in J, \text{ and } r, t \in R. \quad (2.55)$$

Using the primeness of  $R$ , we get  $\delta(x) = 0$  or  $x \in Z(R)$  for all  $x \in J$ . Hence in all the cases we have

$$[\delta(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.56)$$

Consider a positive integer  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n+1$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x + \lambda y$  in (2.56), where  $y \in J$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= k[\delta(x), y] + k[\delta(x), y] + \binom{n}{r}[h_1(x, y), x] + k^2 \binom{n}{1}[h_1(x, y), y] + \binom{n}{2}[h_2(x, y), x] \\ &+ \dots + k^n \binom{n}{1}[h_1(x, y), y] + \binom{n}{n-1}[h_{n-1}(x, y), y] \end{aligned}$$

In view of Lemma 2.1, (2.56) assures that

$$[\delta(x), y] + n[h_1(x, y), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.57)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $128ry^2vj^2t$  in (2.57), where  $j, v \in J$  and  $r, t \in R$ , we get

$$[\delta(x), 128ry^2vj^2t] + n[h_1(x, 128ry^2vj^2t), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \quad (2.58)$$

Writing  $xr$  instead of  $r$  in (2.58), one can easily see that

$$[\delta(x), 128xry^2vj^2t] + n[h_1(x, 128xry^2vj^2t), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J \quad (2.59)$$

which implies that

$$x[\delta(x), 128ry^2vj^2t] + n[h_1(x, 128ry^2vj^2t), x] + n\delta(x)[128ry^2vj^2t, x] = 0 \quad (2.60)$$

and thus

$$\delta(x)[128ry^2vj^2t, x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.61}$$

Substituting  $t$  by  $ts$  in (2.61), where  $s \in R$ , and using the primeness of  $R$ , we conclude that  $\delta(x) = 0$  or  $x \in Z(R)$  for all  $x \in J$ .

Let  $x \in J$  ( $x \in Z(R)$ ) and  $y \in J$  ( $y \notin Z(R)$ ). Then  $y + kx \notin Z(R)$  and thus

$$0 = \delta(y + kx) = \delta(y) + k^n \delta(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} k^i \binom{n}{i} h_i(x, y)$$

accordingly,

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} k^r \binom{n}{r} h_r(x, y) + k^n \delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \tag{2.62}$$

Application of Lemma 2.1 implies that

$$\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.63}$$

For  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ , Let  $P_k(x) = \Delta(x, x, \dots, x, x_{k+1}, x_{k+2}, \dots, x_n)$ , where  $x$  appears  $k$  times and  $x, x_i \in R, i = k + 1, k + 2, \dots, n$ . Let  $\mu$  ( $1 \leq \mu \leq n - 1$ ) be any integer. By view of (2.63),

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \delta(\mu x + x_n) = P_n(\mu x + x_n) \\ &= \mu^n \delta(x) + \delta(x_n) + \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \mu^r \binom{n}{r} P_r(x) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \mu^r \binom{n}{r} P_r(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, x_n \in J$ , that is

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \mu^r \binom{n}{r} P_r(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.64}$$

Using Lemma 2.2 together with (2.64), we obtain

$$P_{n-1}(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.65}$$

Let  $\nu$  ( $1 \leq \nu \leq n - 2$ ) be any integer. By virtue of (2.65) we have

$$0 = P_{n-1}(\nu x + x_{n-1}) = \nu^{n-1} P_{n-1}(x) + P_{n-1}(x_{n-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \nu^i \binom{n}{i} P_i(x)$$

for all  $x, x_{n-1} \in J$  in such a way that

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-2} \nu^r \binom{n}{r} P_r(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.66}$$

Once again using Lemma 2.2, (2.66) yields

$$P_{n-2}(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J. \tag{2.67}$$

If we continue to carry out the same method as above, we arrive at

$$P_1(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J \tag{2.68}$$

for all  $x \in J$ ; that is

$$\Delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x_i \in J \tag{2.69}$$

so we get the required result.  $\square$

Our aim in the following theorem is to extend ([2], Theorem 2.8) to Jordan ideals with the restriction that  $R$  is assumed to be prime.

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $n$  be a fixed positive integer and  $R$  be a  $(n+1)!$ -torsion free prime ring and  $J$  a nonzero Jordan ideal of  $R$ . If  $R$  admits a nonzero permuting generalized  $n$ -derivation  $\Omega$  with associated  $n$ -derivation  $\Delta$  such that the trace  $\omega$  of  $\Omega$  is centralizing on  $J$ . Then  $R$  is commutative.*

**Proof.** We are given that  $[\omega(x), x] \in Z(R)$  for all  $x \in R$ . Using similar arguments as used in the proof of Theorem 2.4, we obtain

$$[\omega(x), y] + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, y), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.70)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $128ry^2uz^2x$ , where  $u, z \in J$ , and  $r \in R$ , we have

$$128ry^2uz^2[\omega(x), x] + [\omega(x), 128ry^2uz^2]x + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, 128ry^2uz^2), x]x \\ + 128nry^2uz^2[\delta(x), x] + n[128ry^2uz^2, x]\delta(x) \in Z(R) \quad (2.71)$$

for all  $x, y \in J$ . Once again replacing  $y$  by  $128ry^2uz^2$  in (2.70), where  $u \in J$  and  $r \in R$ , it is straightforward to see that

$$[\omega(x), 128ry^2uz^2] + n[\Omega(x, x, \dots, 128ry^2uz^2), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.72)$$

Combining (2.71) with (2.72), we get

$$[128ry^2uz^2, x][\omega(x), x] + n[128ry^2uz^2, x][\delta(x), x] + 128nry^2uz^2[[\delta(x), x], x] \\ + n[128ry^2uz^2, x][\delta(x), x] + n[[128ry^2uz^2, x], x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad (2.73)$$

for all  $u, x, y \in J$  and  $r \in R$ . Replacing  $r$  by  $\omega(x)r$  in (2.73) and invoking (2.73), we obtain

$$128[\omega(x), x]ry^2uz^2[\omega(x), x] + 128 \times 2n[\omega(x), x]ry^2uz^2[\delta(x), x] + 2n[\omega(x), x][128ry^2uz^2, x]\delta(x) = 0 \quad (2.74)$$

for all  $u, x, y \in J$  and  $r \in R$ . Writing  $rs$  instead of  $r$ , where  $s \in R$ , we obtain

$$[\omega(x), x](128rsy^2uz^2([\omega(x), x] + 2n[\delta(x), x]) + 2n(r[128sy^2uz^2, x] + [r, x]128sy^2uz^2)\delta(x)) = 0 \quad (2.75)$$

Using (2.74) together with (2.75), we get

$$2n[\omega(x), x][r, x]128sy^2uz^2\delta(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, x, y \in J, \text{ and } r \in R. \quad (2.76)$$

Replacing  $r$  by  $\omega(x)$ , we conclude that either  $[\omega(x), x]^2 = 0$  or  $\delta(x) = 0$ .

If  $[\omega(x), x]^2 = 0$ , then  $[\omega(x), x]R[\omega(x), x] = 0$  so that  $[\omega(x), x] = 0$ .

Suppose that  $\delta(x) = 0$ , then (2.74) gives

$$ry^2uz^2[\omega(x), x]^2 = 0 \quad \text{for all } u, x, y \in J, \text{ and } r \in R \quad (2.77)$$

which, because of the primeness of  $R$ , leads to

$$[\omega(x), x] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in J \quad (2.78)$$

so that  $\omega$  is commuting on  $J$ .

For  $x, y \in J$ , replacing  $x$  by  $x+ky$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$  in  $[\omega(x), x] = 0$ , we find that  $[x+ky, \delta(x) + \delta(ky) + \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{r} h_r(x, y)] = 0$  for all  $x, y \in J$ . Using the last equation together with Lemma 2.1, we get

$$[y, \omega(x)] + n[x, \Omega(x, x, x, \dots, y)] = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in J. \quad (2.79)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $8zy^2uvx$  in (2.79), where  $u, v, z \in J$ , and using the given condition, we get

$$[zy^2uv, \omega(x)]x + n[x, \Omega(x, x, x, \dots, zy^2uv)]x + n[x, zy^2uv]\omega(x) = 0 \quad \forall x, y \in J. \quad (2.80)$$

Using (2.79) we find that  $[x, zy^2uv]\omega(x) = 0$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x+kw$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and use (2.79) we obtain

$$n[x, zy^2uv]\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, w) + [w, zy^2uv]\omega(x) = 0 \quad \forall u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \quad (2.81)$$



Then we obtain

$$n[x, z]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, w) + [w, z]y^2uv\omega(x) = 0 \quad \forall j, u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.82}$$

Replacing  $w$  by  $z$  we get

$$n[x, z]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, z) = 0 \quad \forall u, v, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.83}$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $z + w$  we get

$$n[x, z]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, w) + [x, w]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, z) = 0 \quad \forall u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.84}$$

Using (2.83) and (2.84) we obtain

$$[x, w]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, z)R[x, w]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, z) = 0 \quad \forall u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.85}$$

Since  $R$  is prime we conclude that

$$[x, w]y^2uv\Omega(x, x, x, \dots, z) = 0 \quad \forall u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.86}$$

Let  $[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_{i-1}, x_{i-2}, \dots, x_2, x_1) = 0$  holds for all  $x, x_{i-1}, x_{i-2}, \dots, x_1 \in J$ , and  $2 \leq i \leq n$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x + kx_i$  in last equation to obtain

$$[x + kx_i, y]z\Omega(x + kx_i, \dots, x + kx_i, x_{i-1}, x_{i-2}, \dots, x_2, x_1) = 0 \quad \forall j, u, v, w, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.87}$$

Using Lemma 2.1, we obtain

$$[x_i, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_{i-1}, \dots, x_1) + (n - i + 1)[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_i, \dots, x_1) = 0 \tag{2.88}$$

for all  $j, u, v, w, x, y, z \in J$ . Then we have

$$0 = (n - i + 1)[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_i, \dots, x_1)R[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_i, \dots, x_1) \\ = -[x_i, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_i, \dots, x_1)R[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_{i-1}, \dots, x_1).$$

Since  $R$  is prime we get

$$[x, y]z\Omega(x, \dots, x, x_i, \dots, x_1) = 0 \quad \forall x_i, \dots, x_1, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.89}$$

For  $i = n - 1$ , we obtain

$$[x, y]z\Omega(x, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1) = 0 \quad \forall x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1, x, y, z \in J. \tag{2.90}$$

As  $R$  is prime we obtain  $[x, y] = 0$  or  $\Omega(x, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1) \forall x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1, x, y \in J$ .

Let us consider

$$J_1 = \{x \in J \mid [x, z] = 0 \quad \forall z \in J\}, \quad J_2 = \{x \in J \mid \Omega(x, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) = 0 \quad \forall y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1 \in J\}.$$

It is clear that  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are two additive subgroups of  $J$  such that  $J = J_1 \cup J_2$  and therefore either  $J = J_1$  or  $J = J_2$ .

If  $J = J_1$  then we get  $[J, J] = 0$  which proves that  $R$  is commutative.

If  $J = J_2$  then  $\Omega(x, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) = 0$  for all  $y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1, x \in J$  and thus  $\Omega(J, J, \dots, J) = 0$ . Accordingly  $\omega(J) = 0$  in such a way that  $\omega = 0$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $R$  is commutative.  $\square$

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