

A characterization of Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivations

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Abstract Let R be a ring with involution $'*$ '. Next, let \mathbb{N}_0 be the set of all nonnegative integers, and $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ a family of additive mappings of a $*$ -ring R such that $d_0 = id_R$. D is called a Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation (respectively, a Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation) of R if $D_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i}))$ (respectively, $d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j}))$) for all $x, y \in R$ and each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. The main aim of this paper is to characterize Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of semiprime rings with involution. As an application, we prove that every Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation onto a 6-torsion free semiprime ring is a Jordan higher $*$ -derivation.

1 Introduction

This research is motivated by the recent work of Alhazmi et al. [1] and Ezzat [15]. Throughout this paper, unless otherwise mentioned, R will denote an associative ring. Following [20], an additive mapping, $d : R \rightarrow R$, is called a derivation (respectively, Jordan derivation) if $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ (respectively, $d(x^2) = d(x)x + xd(x)$) holds for all $x, y \in R$. Following Brešar [12], an additive mapping $F : R \rightarrow R$ is said to be a generalized derivation (respectively, generalized Jordan derivation) on R if there exists a derivation $d : R \rightarrow R$ such that $F(xy) = F(x)y + xd(y)$ (correspondingly, $F(x^2) = F(x)x + xd(x)$) holds for all $x, y \in R$.

For given endomorphisms α and β , an additive mapping $d : R \rightarrow R$ is said to be an (α, β) -derivation (respectively, Jordan (α, β) -derivation) if $d(xy) = d(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ (respectively, $d(x^2) = d(x)\alpha(x) + \beta(x)d(x)$) holds for all $x, y \in R$. According to Ashraf et al. [8], an additive mapping $F : R \rightarrow R$ is called a generalized (α, β) -derivation (correspondingly, generalized Jordan (α, β) -derivation) on R if there exists an (α, β) -derivation, $d : R \rightarrow R$, such that $F(xy) = F(x)\alpha(y) + \beta(x)d(y)$ (correspondingly, $F(x^2) = F(x)\alpha(x) + \beta(x)d(x)$) holds for all $x, y \in R$. It is obvious to see that every generalized (α, β) -derivation on a ring is a generalized Jordan (α, β) -derivation, but the converse need not be true in general ([8], Example 3.1). A number of authors have studied this problem in the setting of prime and semiprime rings. Recently, Ali and Haetinger [5], proved that every generalized Jordan (α, β) -derivation on a 2-torsion free semiprime ring is a generalized (α, β) -derivation (see also [9] for more related results).

The concept of derivations was extended to higher derivations by Hasse and Schmidt [19]. Let $D = \{d_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ be a family of additive mappings on R . D is said to be a higher derivation (correspondingly, Jordan higher derivation) on R if $d_0 = id_R$ (where id_R is the identity map on R) and $d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(x)d_j(y)$ (correspondingly, $d_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(x)d_j(x)$) for all $x, y \in R$. A family $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of additive mappings of a ring R , where $d_0 = id_R$, is called a Jordan triple higher derivation if $d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(x)d_j(y^i)d_k(x^{i+j})$ holds for all $x, y \in R$. Ferrero and Haetinger [16] proved that in a 2-torsion free ring every Jordan higher derivation is a Jordan triple higher derivation. They also showed that in a 2-torsion free semiprime ring every Jordan triple higher derivation is a higher derivation. It is easy to see that the first member of each higher derivation is itself a derivation. More related results can be found in Haetinger [18]. Later on, Cortes and Haetinger [13] defined generalized higher derivations: a family $F = (f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of additive mappings of a ring R , such that $f_0 = id_R$, is said to be a generalized higher derivation (correspondingly, generalized Jordan higher derivation) of R if there exists a higher derivation (correspondingly, Jordan higher deriva-

tion) $D = \{d_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $f_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j=n} f_i(x)d_j(y)$ (correspondingly, $f_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} f_i(x)d_j(x)$) holds for all $x, y \in R$. Obviously, every generalized higher derivation is a generalized Jordan higher derivation, but the converse need not be true. The converse has already been proved for by Cortes and Haetinger [5] for square closed Lie ideals of a prime ring R . Later, Wei and Xiao [24] established this result for a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. In 2010, Ashraf et al. [7] introduced the concept of (α, β) -higher derivations as follows: a family D of additive mappings d_n on R is said to be an (α, β) -higher derivation (correspondingly, Jordan (α, β) -higher derivation) of R if $d_0 = id_R$ and $d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^{n-i}(x))d_j(\alpha^{n-j}(y))$ (correspondingly, $d_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^{n-i}(x))d_j(\alpha^{n-j}(x))$) for all $x, y \in R$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. For given endomorphisms α and β , a family $F = (f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of additive mappings $f_n : R \rightarrow R$ is said to be a generalized (α, β) -higher derivation (correspondingly, generalized Jordan (α, β) -higher derivation) of R if there exists an (α, β) -higher derivation $D = \{d_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $f_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j=n} f_i(\beta^{n-i}(x))d_j(\alpha^{n-j}(y))$ (correspondingly, $f_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} f_i(\beta^{n-i}(x))d_j(\alpha^{n-j}(x))$) holds for all $x, y \in R$. It is straightforward to check that any generalized (α, β) -higher derivation is a generalized Jordan (α, β) -higher derivation. However, the converse statement need not be true. Ashraf and Khan [6] proved that every generalized Jordan (α, β) -higher derivation is a generalized (α, β) -higher derivation on Lie ideals of a prime ring R . Some more related results can be found in [1], and [6].

Motivated by the recent work's Alhazmi et al. [1] and Ezzat [15], we introduce the following notions:

Definition 1.1. Let \mathbb{N}_0 be the set of all nonnegative integers, α, β be the endomorphisms of R , and let $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ be a family of additive mappings of R such that $d_0 = id_R$. D said to be

- (i) an (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R if for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})) \text{ for all } x, y \in R;$$

- (ii) a Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R if for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$d_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})) \text{ for all } x \in R;$$

- (iii) a Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R if for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$d_n(xy) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{i+j}(x))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j})) \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

In this definition, if we take $\alpha = \beta = id_R$, the identity map on R then we obtain the notion of higher $*$ -derivations, Jordan higher $*$ -derivations and Jordan triple higher $*$ -derivations. Also the first member of this family is an $(\alpha, \beta)^*$ -derivation. Therefore, the interesting thing about this new concept is that they covers the notions of higher $*$ -derivations, Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivations etc.

The main objective of this paper is to characterize Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivations and related mappings in semiprime rings with involution. As consequences of our main theorems, many known results can be either generalized or deduced.

2 Preliminaries

Throughout this section, we will use the following notations: Let $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ be a Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R . For every fixed $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and each $x, y \in R$, we denote by $A_n(x)$ and $B_n(x, y)$ the elements of R and defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_n(x) &= d_n(x^2) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})), \\
 B_n(x, y) &= d_n(xy + yx) - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(y))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, it is straightforward to check that $A_n(x + y) = A_n(x) + A_n(y) + B_n(x, y)$, $A_n(x) = A_n(-x)$ and $B_n(-x, y) = -B_n(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in R$.

Lemma 2.1. ([10], Lemma 2.1). *Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring. If $x, y \in R$ are such that $xry = 0$ for all $r \in R$, then $yrx = xy = yx = 0$.*

Lemma 2.2. *Let R be a 2-torsion free semiprime $*$ -ring and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Next, let $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ a Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R such that β is an automorphism of R and $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$. If $A_m(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$ and for each $m \leq n$, then $\beta^n(x^2)A_n(x) = A_n(x)\beta^n(x^2) = 0$ for all $x \in R$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$.*

Proof. Compute the value of $M = d_n(x^2yx^2)$ in two different ways:

First by substitution of xyx for y in the definition of Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i((xyx)^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j})) \\
 &= \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{i+k}(x)) \left(\sum_{p+q+r=j} d_p(\beta^{q+r+k}(\alpha^i(x^{*i}))) \right. \\
 &\quad \times d_q(\beta^{r+k}(\alpha^{p+i}(y^{*p+i})))d_r(\beta^k(\alpha^{p+q+i}(x^{*p+q+i}))) \left. \right) d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j})) \\
 &= \sum_{i+p+q+r+k=n} d_i(\beta^{p+q+r+k}(x))d_p(\beta^{q+r+k}(\alpha^i(x^{*i}))) \\
 &\quad \times d_q(\beta^{r+k}(\alpha^{p+i}(y^{*p+i})))d_r(\beta^k(\alpha^{p+q+i}(x^{*p+q+i}))) \\
 &\quad \times d_k(\alpha^{i+p+q+r}(x^{*i+p+q+r})) \\
 &= \sum_{i+p=n} d_i(\beta^p(x))d_p(\alpha^i(x^{*i}))\alpha^n(y^{*n}x^{2*n}) \\
 &\quad + \beta^n(x^2y) \sum_{r+k=n} d_r(\beta^r(x))d_k(\alpha^r(x^{*r})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\substack{i+p+q+r+k=n \\ i+p \neq n, r+k \neq n}} d_i(\beta^{p+q+r+k}(x))d_p(\beta^{q+r+k}(\alpha^i(x^{*i}))) \\
 &\quad \times d_q(\beta^{r+k}(\alpha^{p+i}(y^{*p+i})))d_r(\beta^k(\alpha^{p+q+i}(x^{*p+q+i}))) \\
 &\quad \times d_k(\alpha^{i+p+1+r}(x^{*i+p+q+r})).
 \end{aligned}$$

The second way to compute M is the substitution of x^2 for x in the definition of Jordan triple

(α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation and using our assumption that $A_m(x) = 0$ for $m < n$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x^2)d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y)^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{2^{*i+j}})) \\
 &= d_n(x^2)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2^{*n}} + \beta^n(x^2y)d_n(x^2)) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i \neq n, k \neq n}} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x^2)d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y)^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{2^{*i+j}})) \\
 &= d_n(x^2)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2^{*n}} + \beta^n(x^2y)d_n(x^2)) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i \neq n, k \neq n}} \left(\sum_{u+v=i} d_u(\beta^{v+j+k}(x)d_v(\beta^{j+k}(\alpha^u(x^{*u})))) \right) d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y)^{*i})) \\
 &\quad \times \left(\sum_{s+t=k} d_s(\beta^t(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j})))d_t(\alpha^{s+i+j}(x^{*i+j+s})) \right) \\
 &= d_n(x^2)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2^{*n}} + \beta^n(x^2y)d_n(x^2)) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\substack{u+v+j+s+t=n \\ u+v \neq n, s+t \neq n}} d_u(\beta^{v+j+k}(x)d_v(\beta^{j+k}(\alpha^u(x^{*u}))))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^{u+v}(y)^{*u+v})) \\
 &\quad \times d_s(\beta^t(\alpha^{u+v+j}(x^{*u+v+j})))d_t(\alpha^{s+u+v+j}(x^{*u+v+j+s})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, subtracting the two values so obtained for M and using our notation, we obtain

$$A_n(x)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2^{*n}}) + \beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0. \tag{2.1}$$

In case n is even (2.1) reduces to

$$A_n(x)\alpha^n(yx^2) + \beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{2.2}$$

Replacing y by rx^2y , $r \in R$ in (2.2), we get

$$A_n(x)\alpha^n(rx^2)\alpha^n(yx^2) + \beta^n(x^2r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Using (2.2) for the value of $A_n(x)\alpha^n(rx^2)$, we obtain

$$-\beta^n(x^2r)A_n(x)\alpha^n(yx^2) + \beta^n(x^2r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Again, using (2.2) for the value of $A_n(x)\alpha^n(yx^2)$ yields, in view of R is 2-torsion free, that

$$\beta^n(x^2r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Now put $r = y\beta^{-n}(A_n(x))r$ in the last expression, we reach to

$$\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x)\beta^n(r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y, r \in R.$$

Since β onto, the last relation implies that

$$\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x)R\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = \{0\} \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$$

The semiprimeness of R yields $\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. Again since β is onto we have $\beta^n(x^2)RA_n(x) = \{0\}$ for all $x \in R$, and by Lemma 2.1, we reach to $\beta^n(x^2)A_n(x) = A_n(x)\beta^n(x^2) = 0$ for all $x \in R$.

In case n is odd (2.1) reduces to

$$A_n(x)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2^*}) + \beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = \{0\} \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{2.3}$$

Putting $y = rx^2y$ gives for all $x, y, r \in R$ that

$$A_n(x)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2*})\alpha^n(r^*x^{2*}) + \beta^n(x^2r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0.$$

Substituting the value of $A_n(x)\alpha^n(y^*x^{2*})$ from (2.3) in the last relation gives for all $x, y, r \in R$ that

$$-\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x)\alpha^n(r^*x^{2*}) + \beta^n(x^2r)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0.$$

Again by using (2.3) for the value of $A_n(x)\alpha^n(r^*x^{2*})$, we get for all $x, y, r \in R$

$$\beta^n(x^2)(\beta^n(yx^2r) + \beta^n(rx^2y))A_n(x) = 0. \tag{2.4}$$

Taking $r = y$ in (2.4) leads, in view of R in 2-torsion free, to

$$\beta^n(x^2y)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{2.5}$$

Now putting $r = y\beta^{-n}(A_n(x))r$ in (2.4) gives for all $x, y, r \in R$

$$\beta^n(x^2y)\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x)\beta^n(r)A_n(x) + \beta^n(x^2y)\beta^n(rx^2y)A_n(x) = 0$$

But using (2.5), the first summand for the last equation is zero. Hence, we get $\beta^n(x^2y)\beta^n(rx^2y)A_n(x) = 0$ for all $x, y, r \in R$. Surjectiveness of β leads to $\beta^n(x^2y)R\beta^n(x^2y)A_n(x) = \{0\}$ for all $x, y \in R$ and since R is semiprime we get $\beta^n(x^2)\beta^n(y)A_n(x) = 0$ for all $x, y, r \in R$. Again by using the surjectiveness of β , we find $\beta^n(x^2)RA_n(x) = \{0\}$ for all $x \in R$. Thus, since R is semiprime we get by Lemma 2.1 that $A_n(x)\beta^n(x^2) = \beta^n(x^2)A_n(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. \square

Proposition 2.3. *Let R be a 2-torsion free $*$ -ring and $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Then every Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of R is a Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R .*

Proof. By the assumption, we have

$$d_n(x^2) = \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})). \tag{2.6}$$

for all $x, y \in R$. Write $w = x + y$ and using (2.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d_n(w^2) &= \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x+y))d_j(\alpha^i((x+y)^{*i})) \\ &= \sum_{i+j=n} (d_i\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})) + d_i\beta^j(x)d_j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})) \\ &\quad + d_i\beta^j(y)d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})) + d_i\beta^j(y)d_j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d_n(w^2) &= d_n(x^2 + xy + yx + y^2) \\ &= d_n(x^2) + d_n(y^2) + d_n(xy + yx) \\ &= \sum_{l+m=n} d_l(\beta^m(x))d_m(\alpha^l(x^{*l})) + \sum_{r+s=n} d_r(\beta^s(y))d_s(\alpha^r(y^{*r})) \\ &\quad + d_n(xy + yx). \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting the last two expressions of $d_n(w^2)$ gives

$$d_n(xy + yx) = \sum_{i+j=n} \left(d_i\beta^j(x)d_j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})) + d_i\beta^j(y)d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})) \right). \tag{2.7}$$

Now take $c = x(xy + yx) + (xy + yx)x$. Using (2.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_n(c) &= \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(x))d_j(\alpha^i((xy + yx)^{*i})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i+j=n} d_i(\beta^j(xy + yx))d_j(\alpha^i(x^{*i})) \\
 &= \sum_{i+r+s=n} \left(d_i(\beta^{r+s}(x))d_r(\beta^s(\alpha^i(x^{*i})))d_s(\alpha^{i+r}(y^{*i+r})) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + d_i(\beta^{r+s}(x))d_r(\beta^j(\alpha^i(y^{*i})))d_s(\alpha^{i+r}(x^{*i+r})) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{k+l+j=n} \left(d_k(\beta^{l+j}(x))d_l(\beta^j(\alpha^k(y^{*k})))d_j(\alpha^{k+l}(x^{*k+l})) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + d_k(\beta^{l+j}(y))d_l(\beta^j(\alpha^k(x^{*k})))d_j(\alpha^{k+l}(x^{*k+l})) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i+r+s=n} d_i(\beta^{r+s}(x))d_r(\beta^s(\alpha^i(x^{*i})))d_s(\alpha^{i+r}(y^{*i+r})) \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k+l+j=n} d_k(\beta^{l+j}(y))d_l(\beta^j(\alpha^k(x^{*k})))d_j(\alpha^{k+l}(x^{*k+l})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_n(c) &= d_n(2xyx + (x^2y + yx^2)) \\
 &= 2d_n(xy x) + d_n(x^2y + yx^2) \\
 &= 2d_n(xy x) + \sum_{i+r+s=n} d_i(\beta^{r+s}(x))d_r(\beta^s(\alpha^i(x^{*i})))d_s(\alpha^{i+r}(y^{*i+r})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k+l+j=n} d_k(\beta^{l+j}(y))d_l(\beta^j(\alpha^k(x^{*k})))d_j(\alpha^{k+l}(x^{*k+l})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting the last two expressions of $d_n(c)$ and using the fact that R is 2-torsion free, we get

$$d_n(xy x) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} d_i(\beta^{j+k}(x))d_j(\beta^k(\alpha^i(y^{*i})))d_k(\alpha^{i+j}(x^{*i+j}))$$

for all $x, y \in R$. This proves the theorem. □

3 Main results

The main result of the present paper is the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. *Let R be a 6-torsion free semiprime $*$ -ring and β an autmorphism of R . Then every Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation $D = (d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ of R , with $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$, is a Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation of R .*

Proof. We will use induction on n in our proof. We see trivially that $A_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. In case $n = 1$, we get from ([4], Theorem 2.1) that $A_1(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. So we suppose that $A_m(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$ and $m < n$. In view of Lemma 2.2, we have

$$A_n(x)x^2 = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R \tag{3.1}$$

and

$$x^2A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{3.2}$$

The replacement of $x + y$ for x in (3.1) gives

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(y^2) + A_n(y)\beta^n(x^2) + B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x^2 + y^2) + (A_n(x) + A_n(y) + B_n(x, y))\beta^n(xy + yx) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.3}$$

By replacing x by $-x$ in (3.3) we obtain

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(y^2) + A_n(y)\beta^n(x^2) - B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x^2 + y^2) - (A_n(x) + A_n(y) - B_n(x, y))\beta^n(xy + yx) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.4}$$

Adding (3.3) and (3.4) and using the fact that R is 2-torsion free, we get

$$B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x^2 + y^2) + (A_n(x) + A_n(y))\beta^n(xy + yx) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.5}$$

Substituting $2x$ for x in (3.5) gives in view of the fact that R is 2-torsion free that

$$4B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x^2) + B_n(x, y)\beta^n(y^2) + 4A_n(x)\beta^n(xy + yx) + A_n(y)(xy + yx) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.6}$$

Comparing (3.5) and (3.6) we have, since R is 3-torsion free

$$B_n(x, y)\beta^n(y^2) + A_n(x)\beta^n(xy + yx) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.7}$$

Multiply (3.7) by $A_n(A)x$ from the right and using (3.2), we arrive at

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(xy)A_n(x)\beta^n(x) + A_n(x)\beta^n(y)\beta^n(x)A_n(x)\beta^n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.8}$$

Substituting y by yx in (3.8) and multiplying by x from the left we obtain using that β is onto $(\beta^n(x)A_n(x)\beta^n(x))R(\beta^n(x)A_n(x)\beta^n(x)) = \{0\}$ for all $x \in R$. But since R is semiprime $\beta^n(x)A_n(x)\beta^n(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. So (3.8) reduces to $A_n(x)\beta^n(y)A_n(x)\beta^n(x) = 0$, for all $x, y \in R$. Since β is onto, we have $A_n(x)\beta^n(x)RA_n(x)\beta^n(x) = \{0\}$ for all $x \in R$. Again, since R is semiprime, we have

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{3.9}$$

In view of (3.9), (3.7) reduces to $B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x^2) + A_n(x)\beta^n(yx) = 0$ for all $x, y \in R$. Multiplying this relation by $\beta^n(x)$ from left and by $A_n(x)$ from right we obtain for all $x, y \in R$, $\beta^n(x)A_n(x)\beta^n(x)A_n(x) = 0$. Since β is onto we get for all $x \in R$, $\beta^n(x)A_n(x)R\beta^n(x)A_n(x) = \{0\}$ and by the semiprimeness of R we have

$$\beta^n(x)A_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in R. \tag{3.10}$$

Linearizing (3.9) we have

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(y) + A_n(y)\beta^n(x) + B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x + y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.11}$$

Taking $x = -x$ in (3.11), we obtain

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(y) - A_n(y)\beta^n(x) + B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x - y) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.12}$$

Adding (3.11) and (3.12) we obtain, since R is 2-torsion free

$$A_n(x)\beta^n(y) + B_n(x, y)\beta^n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in R. \tag{3.13}$$

Right multiplication (3.13) by $A_n(x)$ and using (3.10) gives for all $x, y \in R$, $A_n(x)\beta^n(y)A_n(x) = 0$. Since β is onto, we get $A_n(x)RA_n(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. By the semiprimeness of R , we conclude that $A_n(x) = 0$ for all $x \in R$. Hence, every Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation is a Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation. □

In view of Theorem 3.1 and Proposition 2.3, we have the following result.

Theorem 3.2. *Let R be a 6-torsion free semiprime ring with involution and α, β be the endomorphisms of R such that β is onto. If $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$, then the notions of Jordan (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation and Jordan triple (α, β) -higher $*$ -derivation on a 6-torsion free semiprime $*$ -ring are equivalent.*

The following corollaries are immediate consequences of Theorem 3.2

Corollary 3.3. *([4], Theorem 2.1) Let R be a 6-torsion free semiprime ring with involution and α, β be the endomorphisms of R such that β is onto. Then every Jordan triple $(\alpha, \beta)^*$ -derivation of R is a Jordan $(\alpha, \beta)^*$ -derivation.*

Corollary 3.4. *([15], Theorem 2.3) Let R be a 6-torsion free semiprime ring. Then, every Jordan triple higher $*$ -derivation on R is a Jordan higher $*$ -derivation.*

Corollary 3.5. *([23], Theorem 1) Let R be a 6-torsion free semiprime $*$ -ring. Then every Jordan triple $*$ -derivation of R is a Jordan higher $*$ -derivation of R .*

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