



## (Jordan) Derivation on Amalgamated Duplication of a Ring Along an Ideal

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ABSTRACT: Let  $A$  be a ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . The amalgamated duplication of  $A$  along  $I$  is the subring of  $A \times A$  defined by  $A \bowtie I := \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in A, i \in I\}$ . In this paper, we characterize  $A \bowtie I$  over which any (resp. minimal) prime ideal is invariant under any derivation provided that  $A$  is semiprime. When  $A$  is noncommutative prime, then  $A \bowtie I$  is noncommutative semiprime (but not prime except if  $I = (0)$ ). In this case, we prove that any map of  $A \bowtie I$  which is both Jordan and Jordan triple derivation is a derivation.

Key Words: (Jordan) derivation, Prime and semiprime rings, Extension of a ring by an ideal.

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### 1. Introduction

Throughout,  $A$  will represent an associative ring with center  $Z(A)$ . By an ideal  $I$  in  $A$ , we shall always mean a two-sided ideal of  $A$ . An ideal  $P$  of  $A$  is said to be prime if  $P \neq A$  and, for  $a, b \in A$ ,  $aAb \subseteq P$  implies that  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ . The ring  $A$  is called a prime ring if  $(0)$  is a prime ideal of  $A$ . A ring  $A$  is called a semiprime ring if  $aAa = (0)$  implies  $a = 0$ . A ring  $A$  is said to be 2-torsion free, if whenever  $2a = 0$ , with  $a \in A$ , then  $a = 0$ . The Jordan product of two elements  $x$  and  $y$  of  $A$  is  $x \circ y = xy + yx$ . By a derivation of  $A$ , we mean an additive map  $d : A \rightarrow A$  satisfying  $d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$  for all pairs  $x, y \in A$ . Given a derivation  $d$  of  $A$ , an ideal  $I$  of  $A$  is said to be invariant under  $d$  (or  $d$ -invariant for short) if  $d(I) \subseteq I$ . It is well known that every minimal prime ideal of a torsion-free semiprime ring is invariant under all derivations [11]. Herstein raised the following problem:

**Problem.** Given a semiprime ring  $A$ , does  $d(P) \subseteq P$  hold for any minimal prime ideal  $P$  of  $A$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A$ ?

This problem has been often mentioned in the literature (see, for example, [3,13]). The best result of the conjecture is the following: A ring  $A$  is said to be of bounded index  $m$  if  $m$  is a positive integer such that  $x^m = 0$  for all nilpotent elements  $x \in A$ . Beidar and Mikhalev proved the theorem: Let  $A$  be a ring of bounded index  $m$  such that the additive order of every nonzero torsion element of  $A$ , if any, is strictly larger than  $m$ . Then all minimal prime ideals of  $A$  are invariant under all derivations of  $A$  (see [1] or [2, Theorem 8.16]). As a special case of this, every minimal prime ideal of a reduced ring is invariant under derivations of the ring (See [7, p. 614]). Unfortunately, this problem turns out to be false in general. Chuang and Lee [7] constructed a semiprime ring  $A$  which possesses a minimal prime ideal not invariant under a derivation of the ring.

Let  $A$  be a ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . The subset of  $A \times A$  defined by:

$$A \bowtie I := \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in A, i \in I\}$$

is clearly a subring of  $A \times A$ , called the amalgamated duplication of  $A$  along  $I$ . The construction  $A \bowtie I$  (in the commutative case) was introduced and its basic properties were studied by D’Anna and

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Fontana (2007) in [9,10], and then it was investigated by D'Anna in [8] with the aim of applying it to curve singularities (over algebraic closed fields) where he proved that the amalgamated duplication of an algebroid curve along a regular canonical ideal yields a Gorenstein algebroid curve [8, Theorem 14 and Corollary 17]. The aim of Section 2 of this paper is to characterize when the amalgamated duplication of a semiprime ring along an ideal satisfies the Herstein's Problem. Hence, Theorem 2.6 states that if  $A$  is a semiprime ring and  $I$  is an ideal of  $A$ . Then, the following are equivalent:

1.  $d(P) \subseteq P$  holds for any (resp. minimal) prime ideal  $P$  of  $A \bowtie I$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A \bowtie I$ .
2.  $\delta(p) \subseteq p$  holds for any (resp. minimal) prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  and for any derivation  $\delta$  of  $A$  keeping  $I$  invariant.

An additive map  $d : A \rightarrow A$  is called a Jordan derivation if  $d(x^2) = d(x)x + xd(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ , and  $d$  is called a Jordan triple derivation if  $d(xyx) = d(x)yx + xd(y)x + xyd(x)$  for all  $x, y \in A$ . If  $A$  is 2-torsion-free, then every Jordan derivation is a Jordan triple derivation ([4, Proposition 2]). Obviously, every derivation is a Jordan (resp. triple) derivation. The converse is in general not true. In [5, Theorem 4.3], Brešar proved that if  $A$  is 2-torsion free semiprime then every Jordan triple derivation is a derivation. Which means that derivations, Jordan derivations, and Jordan triple derivations of a 2-torsion-free semiprime ring are the same. The case when the ring is of characteristic 2 is due to Herstein who proved (in [12, Theorem 4.1]) that over a noncommutative ring any map which is both Jordan derivation and Jordan triple derivation becomes a derivation. In Section 3, we extend the Herstein's result to semiprime rings with form  $A \bowtie I$  where  $A$  is a prime noncommutative ring.

Let's adopt the following notations:

**Notations.** Let  $A$  be a ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . By  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  we denote the natural surjections of  $A \bowtie I$  into  $A$  defined by

$$\pi_1(a, a + i) = a \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_2(a, a + i) = a + i \quad \text{for all } a \in A, i \in I.$$

For an additive map  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$ , we consider the maps  $d_{i=1,2} : A \rightarrow A$  and  $s_{i=1,2} : I \rightarrow A$  defined by

$$d_1(a) = \pi_1 \circ d(a, a), \quad d_2(a) = \pi_2 \circ d(a, a), \quad s_1(i) = \pi_1 \circ d(0, i), \quad s_2(i) = \pi_2 \circ d(i, 0)$$

for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ . It is clear that  $d_1, d_2, s_1$ , and  $s_2$  are all additive.

## 2. Semiprime amalgamated duplication of a ring along an ideal with prime ideals invariant under derivations

In this section, we characterize the derivations of  $A \bowtie I$ , specially when  $A$  is a semiprime ring. Our aim is to see when every (minimal) prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$  is invariant under any derivation on  $A \bowtie I$ .

Let  $R$  and  $T$  be rings and let  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  be homomorphisms of  $T$  into  $R$ . Let  $X$  be an  $R$ -bimodule. Following [6], an additive mapping  $d : T \rightarrow X$  is called a  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation (resp. a Jordan  $(\theta, \phi)$ -derivation) if  $d(xy) = d(x)\phi(y) + \theta(x)d(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in T$  (resp. if  $d(x^2) = d(x)\phi(x) + \theta(x)d(x)$ , for all  $x \in T$ ).

Suppose that  $d : T \rightarrow T$  is a (resp. Jordan) derivation. Then,  $\theta \circ d$  is a (resp. Jordan)  $(\theta, \theta)$ -derivation. Indeed,  $\theta \circ d$  is clearly additive, and for all  $x, y \in T$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta \circ d(xy) &= \theta(d(x)y + xd(y)) = \theta \circ d(x)\theta(y) + \theta(x)\theta \circ d(y) \\ (\text{resp. } \theta \circ d(x^2)) &= \theta(d(x)x + xd(x)) = \theta \circ d(x)\theta(x) + \theta(x)\theta \circ d(x). \end{aligned}$$

We start with the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $A$  be a ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . A map  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  is a (resp. Jordan) derivation if and only if  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a (resp. Jordan)  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a (resp. Jordan)  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation.*

**Proof:** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Clear.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) It is clear that, for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$d(a, a + i) = (\pi_1 \circ d(a, a + i), \pi_2 \circ d(a, a + i)).$$

Hence, if  $\pi_1 \circ d$  and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  are additive then so is  $d$ .

Suppose that  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation. For all  $a, b \in A$  and  $i, j \in I$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d((a, a + i)(b, b + j)) &= (\pi_1 \circ d((a, a + i)(b, b + j)), \pi_2 \circ d((a, a + i)(b, b + j))) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ d(a, a + i)\pi_1(b, b + j) + \pi_1(a, a + i)\pi_1 \circ d(b, b + j), \\ &\quad \pi_2 \circ d(a, a + i)\pi_2(b, b + j) + \pi_2(a, a + i)\pi_2 \circ d(b, b + j)) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ d(a, a + i)b + a\pi_1 \circ d(b, b + j), \pi_2 \circ d(a, a + i)(b + j) \\ &\quad + (a + i)\pi_2 \circ d(b, b + j)) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ d(a, a + i), \pi_2 \circ d(a, a + i))(b, b + j) \\ &\quad + (a, a + i)(\pi_1 \circ d(b, b + j), \pi_2 \circ d(b, b + j)) \\ &= d(a, a + i)(b, b + j) + (a, a + i)d(b, b + j). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d$  is a derivation.

By the same way, we show that if  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation then  $d$  is a Jordan derivation.  $\square$

The next result gives the necessary and sufficient conditions for an additive map  $d$  from  $A \bowtie I$  into itself to be a derivation.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $A$  be a ring,  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ , and  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  be an additive map. Then,  $d$  is a derivation if and only if*

1.  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are derivations.
2.  $s_k(ai) = as_k(i)$ ,  $s_k(ia) = s_k(i)a$ , and  $s_k(ij) = 0$  for  $k = 1, 2$  and for all  $a \in A$  and  $i, j \in I$ .

**Proof:** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) From Lemma 2.1,  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation. Hence, for all  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_1(ab) &= \pi_1 \circ d(ab, ab) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((a, a)(b, b)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a)b + a\pi_1 \circ d(b, b) \\ &= d_1(a)b + ad_1(b). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d_1$  is derivation. Similarly, we obtain that  $d_2$  is a derivation.

Let  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(ai) &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, ai) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((a, a)(0, i)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a)\pi_1(0, i) + \pi_1(a, a)\pi_1 \circ d(0, i) \\ &= as_1(i). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $s_1(ia) = s_1(i)a$ . Now, for all  $i, j \in I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(ij) &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, ij) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((0, i)(0, j)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, i)\pi_1(0, j) + \pi_1(0, i)\pi_1 \circ d(0, j) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument, we prove that  $s_2$  satisfies the same conditions.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) For all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$  we have

$$\pi_1 \circ d(a, a+i) = \pi_1 \circ d(a, a) + \pi_1 \circ d(0, i) = d_1(a) + s_1(i).$$

and

$$\pi_2 \circ d(a, a+i) = \pi_2 \circ d(a+i, a+i) - \pi_2 \circ d(i, 0) = d_2(a+i) - s_2(i).$$

By Lemma 2.1, we have to prove that  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation. Let  $a, b \in A$  and  $i, j \in I$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 \circ d((a, a+i)(b, b+j)) &= \pi_1 \circ d(ab, ab + aj + ib + ij) \\ &= d_1(ab) + s_1(aj + ib + ij) \\ &= d_1(a)b + ad_1(b) + as_1(j) + s_1(i)b \\ &= (d_1(a) + s_1(i))b + a(d_1(b) + s_1(j)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a+i)\pi_1(b, b+j) \\ &\quad + \pi_1(a, a+i)\pi_1 \circ d(b, b+j) \end{aligned}$$

and, since  $0 = s_2(ij) = s_2(i)j = is_2(j)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_2 \circ d((a, a+i)(b, b+j)) &= \pi_2 \circ d(ab, ab + aj + ib + ij) \\ &= d_2((a+i)(b+j)) - s_2(aj + ib + ij) \\ &= d_2(a+i)(b+j) + (a+i)d_2(b+j) \\ &\quad - as_2(j) - s_2(i)b \\ &= (d_2(a+i) - s_2(i))(b+j) \\ &\quad + (a+i)(d_2(b+j) - s_2(j)) \\ &= \pi_2 \circ d(a, a+i)\pi_2(b, b+j) \\ &\quad + \pi_2(a, a+i)\pi_2 \circ d(b, b+j) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have the desired result. □

Next, we characterize the derivations of  $A \bowtie I$  when  $A$  is a semiprime ring.

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime ring,  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ , and  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  be an additive map. Then, the following are equivalent:*

1.  $d$  is a derivation
2.  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are derivations and the ideals  $0 \times I$  and  $I \times 0$  of  $A \bowtie I$  are  $d$ -invariant.
3. there exist a derivation  $\delta_1 : A \rightarrow A$  keeping  $I$  invariant and a derivation  $\delta_2 : A \rightarrow I$  such that

$$d(a, a+i) = (\delta_1(a), \delta_1(a+i) + \delta_2(a+i)) \quad \text{for all } a \in A, i \in I.$$

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) From Proposition 2.2, we have  $s_k(ai) = as_k(i)$ ,  $s_k(ia) = s_k(i)a$ , and  $s_k(ij) = 0$  for  $k = 1, 2$  and for all  $a \in A$  and  $i, j \in I$ . Then, for any  $i \in I$ , we have

$$s_k(i)as_k(i) = s_k(i)s_k(ai) = s_k(is_k(ai)) = s_k(s_k(iai)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in A.$$

Thus, since  $A$  is semiprime, we have that  $s_k(i) = 0$  for all  $i \in I$ . Hence, for all  $i \in I$ , we have  $\pi_1 \circ d(0, i) = 0$  and  $\pi_2 \circ d(i, 0) = 0$ . So,  $d(0, i) = (0, r) \in A \bowtie I$  and  $d(i, 0) = (r', 0) \in A \bowtie I$ . Consequently,  $r, r' \in I$ ,  $d(0, i) \in 0 \times I$ , and  $d(i, 0) \in I \times 0$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Since  $0 \times I$  and  $I \times 0$  are  $d$ -invariant, we have clearly  $s_1 = s_2 = 0$ . Thus, for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$d(a, a + i) = (d_1(a), d_2(a + i)).$$

Set  $\delta_1 = d_1$  and  $\delta_2 = d_2 - d_1$ . For all  $i \in I$ , we have  $\delta_1(i) = \pi_1 \circ d(i, i) = \pi_1 \circ d(i, 0) + \pi_1 \circ d(0, i) = \pi_1 \circ d(i, 0) \in I$ . Hence,  $I$  is  $\delta_1$ -invariant. Set  $d(a, a) = (b, b + j)$  for some  $b \in A$  and  $j \in I$ . We have

$$\delta_2(a) = d_2(a) - d_1(a) = \pi_2 \circ d(a, a) - \pi_1 \circ d(a, a) = (b + j) - b = j \in I.$$

Then,  $\delta_2(A) \subseteq I$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Suppose that

$$d(a, a + i) = (\delta_1(a), \delta_1(a + i) + \delta_2(a + i)) \quad \text{for all } a \in A, i \in I$$

with  $\delta_1 : A \rightarrow A$  is a derivation keeping  $I$  invariant and  $\delta_2 : A \rightarrow I$  is a derivation. Firstly,  $d$  is well defined. Indeed, for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$(\delta_1(a + i) + \delta_2(a + i)) - \delta_1(a) = \delta_1(i) + \delta_2(a + i) \in I.$$

A simple check shows that such  $d$  is a derivation. □

We need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $p$  be a prime ideal of  $A$ . Then,*

$$p \bowtie I := \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in p, i \in I\}$$

and

$$\bar{p} := \{(a + i, a) \mid a \in p, i \in I\}$$

are prime ideals of  $A \bowtie I$ .

**Proof:** Clearly  $p \bowtie I$  and  $\bar{p}$  are ideals of  $A \bowtie I$ . Moreover, the mappings  $\psi : \frac{A \bowtie I}{p \bowtie I} \rightarrow \frac{A}{p}$  and  $\varphi : \frac{A \bowtie I}{\bar{p}} \rightarrow \frac{A}{\bar{p}}$  defined by  $\psi\left(\overline{(a, a + i)}\right) = \bar{a}$  and  $\varphi\left(\overline{(a, a + i)}\right) = \overline{a + i}$  are a well defined isomorphisms of rings. Then, since  $p$  is prime,  $\frac{A}{p}$  is a prime ring and so are  $\frac{A \bowtie I}{p \bowtie I}$  and  $\frac{A \bowtie I}{\bar{p}}$ . Then,  $p \bowtie I$  and  $\bar{p}$  are prime ideals of  $A \bowtie I$ . □

**Lemma 2.5.** *Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$ . Then,  $0 \times I \subseteq P$  or  $I \times 0 \subseteq P$ . Moreover,*

1. *If  $0 \times I \subseteq P$  then there exists a prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  such that*

$$P = p \bowtie I := \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in p, i \in I\}.$$

2. *If  $I \times 0 \subseteq P$  then there exists a prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  such that*

$$P = \bar{p} := \{(a + i, a) \mid a \in p, i \in I\}.$$

*In the both cases,  $P$  is minimal if and only if  $p$  is minimal.*

**Proof:** Suppose that  $0 \times I \not\subseteq P$ . Then, there exists  $i_0 \in I$  such that  $(0, i_0) \notin P$ . However, for any  $i, j \in I$  and  $a \in A$ , we have  $(i, 0)(a, a + j)(0, i_0) = (0, 0) \in P$ . Hence,  $(i, 0) \in P$  for all  $i \in I$ . Thus,  $I \times 0 \subseteq P$ .

(1) Set  $p = \pi_1(P)$ . It is clear that  $p$  is an ideal of  $A$  (since  $\pi_1$  is surjective). Let  $a, b \in A$  with  $arb \in p$  for all  $r \in A$ . Then, for each  $r$  there exists  $i_r \in I$  such that  $(arb, arb + i_r) \in P$ . Then, for all  $j \in I$ ,  $(arb, a(r + j)b) = (arb, arb + i_r) + (0, ajb - i_r) \in P$  since  $0 \times I \subseteq P$ . Thus,  $(a, a)(r, r + j)(b, b) \in P$ . Hence,  $(a, a) \in P$  or  $(b, b) \in P$ . Then,  $a \in p$  or  $b \in p$ . So,  $p$  is prime.

Clearly, we have  $P \subseteq p \bowtie I$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $a \in p$ . There exists  $i \in I$  such that  $(a, a + i) \in P$ .

Hence, for all  $j \in I$ , we have  $(a, a + j) = (a, a + i) + (0, j - i) \in P$ . Then,  $P = p \bowtie I$ .

(2) Set  $p = \pi_2(P)$ . It is clear that  $p$  is an ideal of  $A$  (since  $\pi_2$  is surjective). Let  $a, b \in A$  with  $arb \in p$  for all  $r \in A$ . Then, for each  $r$  there exists  $i_r \in I$  such that  $(arb + i_r, arb) \in P$ . Then, for all  $j \in I$ ,  $(arb, a(r + j)b) = (a(r + j)b + i_{r+j}, a(r + j)b) - (i_{r+j} + a_jb, 0) \in P$  since  $I \times 0 \subseteq P$ . Thus,  $(a, a)(r, r + j)(b, b) \in P$ . Then,  $(a, a) \in P$  or  $(b, b) \in P$ . Hence,  $a \in p$  or  $b \in p$ . So,  $p$  is prime.

Clearly,  $P \subseteq \bar{p}$ . Now, let  $a \in p$ . There exists  $i \in I$  such that  $(a + i, a) \in P$ . Hence, for all  $j \in I$ , we have  $(a + j, a) = (a + i, a) + (j - i, 0) \in P$ . Then,  $P = \bar{p}$ .

For the last statement, Let  $p$  be a prime ideal of  $A$ .

Suppose that  $P = p \bowtie I$  is minimal prime and let  $q$  be a prime ideal of  $A$  with  $q \subseteq p$ . Easily, we can see that  $q \bowtie I \subseteq p \bowtie I = P$ . Since  $q \bowtie I$  is prime (by Lemma 2.4), we have  $P = q \bowtie I$ , and so  $p = \pi_1(q \bowtie I) = q$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $p$  is minimal prime, and let  $Q$  be a prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$  with  $Q \subseteq P$ . If  $0 \times I \subseteq Q$  then  $Q = q \bowtie I$  for some prime ideal  $q$  of  $A$ , and so we get  $q \subseteq p$  which means that  $q = p$ , and then  $Q = P$ . Now, if  $I \times 0 \subseteq Q$  then  $Q = \bar{q}$  for some prime ideal  $q$  of  $A$ . Hence,  $q \subseteq q + I = \pi_1(Q) \subseteq \pi_1(P) = p$ , and then  $I \subseteq q = p$ . Hence,

$$Q = \bar{q} = \{(a + i, a) \mid a \in q, i \in I\} = \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in q, i \in I\} = q \bowtie I = P.$$

Now, suppose that  $P = \bar{p}$  is minimal prime, and let  $q$  be a prime ideal of  $A$  such that  $q \subseteq p$ . Then,  $\bar{q} \subseteq \bar{p} = P$ . Then,  $\bar{q} = \bar{p}$ . Hence,  $p = q$ . Therefore,  $p$  is minimal.

Conversely, suppose that  $p$  is minimal and let  $Q$  be a prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$  with  $Q \subseteq P = \bar{p}$ . If  $0 \times I \subseteq Q$  then  $Q = q \bowtie I$  for some prime ideal  $q$  of  $A$ . Then,  $\pi_2(Q) \subseteq \pi_2(P)$  means that  $q + I \subseteq p$ . Hence,  $I \subseteq q = p$ . So,

$$Q = \{(a, a + i) \mid a \in q, i \in I\} = \{(a + i, a) \mid a \in q, i \in I\} = \bar{q} = P.$$

If  $I \times 0 \subseteq Q$  then  $Q = \bar{q}$  for some prime ideal  $q$  of  $A$ . Hence,  $q \subseteq p$ , and so  $q = p$ . Then,  $Q = P$ .  $\square$

The main result of this section is as follows:

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . The following are equivalent:*

1.  $d(P) \subseteq P$  holds for any (resp. minimal) prime ideal  $P$  of  $A \bowtie I$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A \bowtie I$ .
2.  $\delta(p) \subseteq p$  holds for any (resp. minimal) prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  and for any derivation  $\delta$  of  $A$  keeping  $I$  invariant.

**Proof:** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $\delta$  be a derivation on  $A$  with  $\delta(I) \subseteq I$ . Then, by Proposition 2.3, the additive map  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  defined by  $d(a, a + i) = (\delta(a), \delta(a + i))$  is a derivation on  $A \bowtie I$ . Let  $p$  be a (resp. minimal) prime ideal of  $A$ . By Lemmas 2.4 and 2.5,  $p \bowtie I$  is a (resp. minimal) prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$ . Hence,  $d(p \bowtie I) \subseteq p \bowtie I$ . Let  $a \in p$ . Then,  $(a, a) \in p \bowtie I$ . Thus,  $(\delta(a), \delta(a)) = d(a, a) \in p \bowtie I$ , and so  $\delta(a) \in p$ . Hence,  $\delta(p) \subseteq p$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $d$  be a derivation on  $A \bowtie I$ . Following Proposition 2.3, there exist a derivation  $\delta_1 : A \rightarrow A$  keeping  $I$  invariant and a derivation  $\delta_2 : A \rightarrow I$  such that

$$d(a, a + i) = (\delta_1(a), \delta_1(a + i) + \delta_2(a + i)) \quad \text{for all } a \in A, i \in I.$$

Let  $P$  be a (resp. minimal) prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$ . Then, using Lemma 2.5,  $P = p \bowtie I$  or  $P = \bar{p}$  for some (resp. minimal) prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$ . By hypothesis,  $\delta_1(p) \subseteq p$  and  $\delta_2(p) \subseteq p$  (see that  $I$  is also invariant under  $\delta_2$ ).

Suppose that  $P = p \bowtie I$ . Then, the elements of  $P$  have the form  $(a, a + i)$  with  $a \in p$  and  $i \in I$ , and we have

$$d(a, a + i) = (\delta_1(a), \delta_1(a + i) + \delta_2(a + i)) = (\delta_1(a), \delta_1(a) + (\delta_1(i) + \delta_2(a + i))) \in P$$

since  $\delta_1(a) \in p$  and  $\delta_1(i) + \delta_2(a + i) \in I$ . Thus,  $d(P) \subseteq P$ .

Now, suppose that  $P = \bar{p}$ . The elements of  $P$  in this case have the form  $(a + i, a)$  with  $a \in p$  and  $i \in I$ ,

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(a+i, a) &= (\delta_1(a+i), \delta_1(a) + \delta_2(a)) \\ &= (\delta_1(a) + \delta_2(a) + (\delta_1(i) - \delta_2(a)), \delta_1(a) + \delta_2(a)) \in P \end{aligned}$$

since  $\delta_1(a) + \delta_2(a) \in p$  and  $\delta_1(i) - \delta_2(a) \in I$ . Again,  $d(P) \subseteq P$ .  $\square$

As consequences of the above theorem, we have the following corollaries.

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime ring and  $I$  be a prime ideal of  $A$ . The following are equivalent:*

1.  $d(P) \subseteq P$  holds for any prime ideal  $P$  of  $A \bowtie I$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A \bowtie I$ .
2.  $\delta(p) \subseteq p$  holds for any prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  and for any derivation  $\delta$ .

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime ring and  $I$  be a minimal prime ideal of  $A$ . The following are equivalent:*

1.  $d(P) \subseteq P$  holds for any minimal prime ideal  $P$  of  $A \bowtie I$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A \bowtie I$ .
2.  $\delta(p) \subseteq p$  holds for any minimal prime ideal  $p$  of  $A$  and for any derivation  $\delta$ .

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $A$  be a prime ring and  $I$  an ideal of  $A$ . Then,  $d(P) \subseteq P$  holds for any minimal prime ideal  $P$  of  $A \bowtie I$  and for any derivation  $d$  of  $A \bowtie I$ .*

**Proof:** Follows immediately from Theorem 2.6 since the only minimal prime ideal of  $A$  is  $(0)$  which is always invariant under any derivation on  $A$  (in particular under those keeping  $I$  invariant).  $\square$

### 3. (Jordan) derivations on amalgamated duplication of a ring along an ideal

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $A$  be a ring,  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ , and  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  be an additive map. Then,  $d$  is a Jordan derivation if and only if*

1.  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are Jordan derivations.
2.  $s_k(a \circ i) = a \circ s_k(i)$  and  $s_k(i^2) = 0$  for all  $k = 1, 2$ ,  $a \in A$  and  $i, j \in I$ .

**Proof:** Let  $R$  and  $T$  be rings and let  $\theta$  be a homomorphism of  $T$  into  $R$ . it's easy to check that if  $d : T \rightarrow R$  is a Jordan  $(\theta, \theta)$ -derivation then for all  $x, y \in T$  we have

$$d(x \circ y) = d(x) \circ \theta(y) + \theta(x) \circ d(y).$$

( $\Rightarrow$ ) From Lemma 2.1,  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation. Hence, for all  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_1(a^2) &= \pi_1 \circ d(a^2, a^2) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((a, a)(a, a)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a)a + a\pi_1 \circ d(a, a) \\ &= d_1(a)a + ad_1(a). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d_1$  is Jordan derivation. Similarly, we obtain that  $d_2$  is a Jordan derivation. Let  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(a \circ i) &= \pi_1(d(0, a \circ i)) \\ &= \pi_1(d((a, a) \circ (0, i))) \\ &= \pi_1(d(a, a)) \circ \pi_1(0, i) + \pi_1(a, a) \circ \pi_1(d(0, i)) \\ &= a \circ s_1(i). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for all  $i \in I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
s_1(i^2) &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, i^2) \\
&= \pi_1 \circ d((0, i)(0, i)) \\
&= \pi_1 \circ d(0, i)\pi_1(0, i) + \pi_1(0, i)\pi_1 \circ d(0, i) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $s_2$  satisfies the same conditions.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) As in the proof of Proposition 2.2, for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$\pi_1 \circ d(a, a+i) = d_1(a) + s_1(i) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_2 \circ d(a, a+i) = d_2(a+i) - s_2(i).$$

Using Lemma 2.1, we have to prove that  $\pi_1 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_1, \pi_1)$ -derivation and  $\pi_2 \circ d$  is a Jordan  $(\pi_2, \pi_2)$ -derivation. Let  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi_1 \circ d((a, a+i)^2) &= \pi_1 \circ d(a^2, a^2 + ai + ia + i^2) \\
&= d_1(a^2) + s_1(a \circ i + i^2) \\
&= d_1(a) \circ a + a \circ s_1(i) \\
&= (d_1(a) + s_1(i)) \circ a \\
&= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a+i)\pi_1(a, a+i) + \pi_1(a, a+i)\pi_1 \circ d(a, a+i).
\end{aligned}$$

and, since  $0 = 2s_2(i^2) = s_2(i \circ i) = s_2(i) \circ i = is_2(i) + s_2(i)i$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi_2 \circ d((a, a+i)^2) &= \pi_2 \circ d(a^2, (a+i)^2) \\
&= d_2((a+i)^2) - s_2(a \circ i + i^2) \\
&= d_2(a+i)(a+i) + (a+i)d_2(a+i) - a \circ s_2(i) \\
&= (d_2(a+i) - s_2(i))(a+i) + (a+i)(d_2(a+i) - s_2(i)) \\
&= \pi_2 \circ d(a, a+i)\pi_2(a, a+i) + \pi_2(a, a+i)\pi_2 \circ d(a, a+i).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have the desired result.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $A$  be a ring and  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ . Then,*

1.  $A \bowtie I$  is prime if and only if  $I = (0)$  and  $A$  is prime.
2.  $A \bowtie I$  is semiprime if and only if  $A$  is semiprime.
3.  $A \bowtie I$  is 2-torsion free if and only if  $A$  is 2-torsion free.

**Proof:** (1) Suppose that  $A \bowtie I$  is prime. Hence,  $\{(0, 0)\}$  is a prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$ . Thus, by Lemma 2.5,  $0 \times I \subseteq \{(0, 0)\}$  or  $I \times 0 \subseteq \{(0, 0)\}$ . In the both cases,  $I = (0)$ . By Lemma 2.5,  $\{(0, 0)\} = p \bowtie (0)$  for some prime ideal of  $A$ . Hence,  $p = (0)$  is a prime ideal of  $A$ , and so  $A$  is prime. Conversely, if  $I = (0)$  and  $A$  is prime then  $\{(0, 0)\} = (0) \bowtie (0)$  is a prime ideal of  $A \bowtie I$ , and then  $A \bowtie I$  is prime.

(2) Suppose that  $A \bowtie I$  is semiprime and let  $a \in A$  with  $ara = 0$  for all  $r \in A$ . Then,  $(a, a)(r, r+j)(a, a) = (0, 0)$  for all  $r \in A$  and all  $j \in I$ . Hence,  $(a, a) = (0, 0)$ , and so  $a = 0$ . Thus,  $A$  is semiprime.

Conversely, suppose that  $A$  is semiprime and let  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$  with  $(a, a+i)(r, r+j)(a, a+i) = (0, 0)$  for all  $r \in A$  and  $j \in I$ . Then,  $ara = 0$  for all  $r \in A$ , and then  $a = 0$ . Now, we have  $i(r+j)i = 0$  for all  $r \in A$  and  $j \in I$ . Which means that  $iri = 0$  for all  $r \in A$ . Then,  $i = 0$ . Hence,  $A \bowtie I$  is prime.

(3) Trivial.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $A$  be a 2-torsion free semiprime ring,  $I$  be an ideal of  $A$ , and  $s : I \rightarrow A$  be an additive map. Then,*



1. if  $s(a \circ i) = a \circ s(i)$  and  $s(i^2) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$  then  $s = 0$ .
2. if there exists a derivation  $d$  on  $A$  such that  $s(a \circ i) = d(a) \circ i + a \circ s(i)$  and  $s(i^2) = s(i) \circ i$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$  then  $d$  and  $s$  coincide on  $I$ .

**Proof:** (1) Consider the additive map  $d : A \bowtie I \rightarrow A \bowtie I$  defined by  $d(a, a + i) = (s(i), s(i))$ . For all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d((a, a + i)^2) &= (s(a \circ i + i^2), s(a \circ i + i^2)) \\ &= (a \circ s(i), a \circ s(i)) \\ &= (s(i), s(i))(a, a + i) + (a, a + i)(s(i), s(i)) \\ &= d(a, a + i)(a, a + i) + (a, a + i)d(a, a + i). \end{aligned}$$

since  $s(i) \circ i = s(2i^2) = 0$ . Hence,  $d$  is a Jordan derivation on  $A \bowtie I$ . But  $A \bowtie I$  is a 2-torsion free semiprime ring (by Lemma 3.2). Thus, by [4, Theorem 1],  $d$  is a derivation. So, by Proposition 2.3,  $0 \times I$  is  $d$ -invariant. Hence, for all  $i \in I$ ,  $d(0, i) = (s(i), s(i)) \in 0 \times I$ , and so  $s = 0$ .

(2) Set  $s' := s - d : I \rightarrow A$ . For all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} s'(a \circ i) &= s(a \circ i) - d(a \circ i) = d(a) \circ i + a \circ s(i) - d(a) \circ i - a \circ d(i) \\ &= a \circ s(i) - a \circ d(i) = a \circ s'(i) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s'(i^2) = s(i^2) - d(i^2) = s(2i^2) - s(i^2) - d(i^2) = s(i \circ i) - i \circ s(i) - d(i) \circ i = 0.$$

Hence, from (1),  $s' = 0$ , and so  $s(i) = d(i)$  for all  $i \in I$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $A$  be a non commutative prime ring and  $I$  be a nonzero ideal. If  $d$  is both a Jordan derivation and a Jordan triple derivation of  $A \bowtie I$  then  $d$  is a derivation.*

**Proof:** When the characteristic of  $A$  is different of 2, the result follows from by [4, Theorem 1] and Lemma 3.2. Hence, suppose that  $A$  is of characteristic two. Also, if  $I = (0)$ , then  $A \bowtie (0) \cong A$  (following the isomorphism  $(a, a) \mapsto a$ ). In this case, the result follows immediately from [12, Theorem 4.1]. Thus, we may suppose  $I \neq (0)$ . From Proposition 3.1,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are Jordan derivations and, for  $k = 1, 2$  and for all  $a \in A$  and  $i \in I$ , we have  $s_k(a \circ i) = a \circ s_k(i)$  and  $s_k(i^2) = 0$ . Now, let  $a, b \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_1(aba) &= \pi_1 \circ d(aba, aba) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((a, a)(b, b)(a, a)) \\ &= \pi_1 (d(a, a)(ba, ba) + (a, a)d(b, b)(a, a) + (a, a)(b, b)d(a, a)) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d(a, a)ba + a\pi_1 \circ d(b, b)a + ab\pi_1 \circ d(a, a) \\ &= d_1(a)ba + ad_1(b)a + abd_1(a). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d_1$  is also a Jordan triple derivation. Similarly,  $d_2$  is a Jordan triple derivation. Hence, since  $A$  is non commutative prime,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are derivations (by [12, Theorem 4.1]).

Let  $i, j \in I$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(iji) &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, iji) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((0, i)(0, j)(0, i)) \\ &= \pi_1 (d(0, i)(0, ji) + (0, i)d(0, j)(0, i) + (0, ij)d(0, i)) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(iji) &= \pi_1 \circ d(0, iji) \\ &= \pi_1 \circ d((i, i)(0, j)(i, i)) \\ &= \pi_1 (d(i, i)(0, ji) + (i, i)d(0, j)(i, i) + (0, ij)d(i, i)) \\ &= i\pi_1(d(0, j))i \\ &= is_1(j)i. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$0 = s_1(iji) = is_1(j)i \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I. \quad (3.1)$$

By analogy  $s_2$  satisfies the same condition.

For  $k = 1, 2$ , by linearizing the condition " $s_k(i^2) = 0$  for all  $i \in I$ ", we obtain

$$s_k(i \circ j) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I. \quad (3.2)$$

Hence,

$$ias_k(j) + s_k(j)ia = ia \circ s_k(j) = s_k(ia \circ j) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I, a \in A. \quad (3.3)$$

Then,

$$i(a \circ s_k(j)) + (i \circ s_k(j))a = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I, a \in A. \quad (3.4)$$

But  $i \circ s_k(j) = s_k(i \circ j) = 0$ . Hence,

$$i(a \circ s_k(j)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I, a \in A. \quad (3.5)$$

So,

$$ir(a \circ s_k(j)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I, a, r \in A. \quad (3.6)$$

Since  $A$  is prime, we get that

$$i = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad a \circ s_k(j) = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I, a \in A. \quad (3.7)$$

But  $I \neq (0)$ , and then

$$a \circ s_k(j) = 0 \quad \text{for all } j \in I, a \in A. \quad (3.8)$$

which means that  $s(j) \in Z(A)$  for all  $j \in I$  since  $A$  is of characteristic two.

Thus, (3.1) means that

$$s_k(j)i^2 = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I. \quad (3.9)$$

Thus, since  $s(j) \in Z(A)$  for all  $j \in I$ , we have

$$s_k(j) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad i^2 = 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I. \quad (3.10)$$

If  $i^2 = 0$  for all  $i \in I$ , then  $0 = ij + ji = ij - ji$  for all  $i, j \in I$ . Hence, for all  $i \in I$  and  $r \in A$ , we have  $iri = i(ri) = (ri)i = ri^2 = 0$ . Thus,  $i = 0$  for all  $i \in I$  since  $A$  is prime. But  $I \neq 0$ , and so there exists  $i \in I$  such that  $i^2 \neq 0$ . Consequently, by (3.10),  $s_k(j) = 0$  for all  $j \in I$ . Seen Proposition 2.2,  $d$  is a derivation.  $\square$

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