



The first nonlinear mixed Jordan triple derivation on \ast -algebras

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{A} be a unital \ast -algebra containing a non-trivial projection. We prove that if a map $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ such that $\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$ for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$, then Π is an additive \ast -derivation.

1. Introduction

Let \mathcal{A} be an \ast -algebra over the complex field \mathbb{C} . For $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$, $S \bullet T = ST + TS^\ast$ and $S \circ T = ST - TS$ denotes the Jordan \ast - product and Jordan product of S and T respectively. The Jordan and Jordan \ast -product is gaining importance across a number of research fields, and various authors have been interested in its investigation (see [1–7, 9]). An additive map $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is called an additive derivation if $\Pi(ST) = \Pi(S)T + S\Pi(T)$ for all $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$. If $\Pi(S^\ast) = \Pi(S)^\ast$, for all $S \in \mathcal{A}$, then Π is an additive \ast -derivation. Let $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ be a mapping (without the additivity assumption). We say Π is a nonlinear Jordan \ast - derivation if

$$\Pi(S \bullet T) = \Pi(S) \bullet T + S \bullet \Pi(T)$$

holds for all $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$. The mixed Jordan triple products can now be considered. For each $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$, there exists two cases of mixed Jordan triple products: $S \bullet T \circ U$ and $S \circ T \bullet U$. In order to distinguish them, we call $S \bullet T \circ U$ and $S \circ T \bullet U$ are first mixed Jordan triple product and second mixed Jordan triple product respectively. Accordingly, a mapping $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is called the first mixed Jordan triple derivation if

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$$

for any $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. A mapping $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is called the second mixed Jordan triple derivation if

$$\Pi(S \circ T \bullet U) = \Pi(S) \circ T \bullet U + S \circ \Pi(T) \bullet U + S \circ T \bullet \Pi(U)$$

for any $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. In recent years, the examination of mixed Lie and Jordan triple products has received significant attention from authors. In [8], Zhou et al. proved that every nonlinear mixed Lie triple derivation

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on prime \ast -algebra is an additive \ast -derivation. Motivated by the above results, we combine the product of Jordan and Jordan \ast -product and give the characterization of first nonlinear mixed Jordan triple derivations. We prove that the first nonlinear mixed Jordan triple derivations is an additive \ast -derivation. In particular, we apply the aforementioned result to standard operator algebras, von Neumann algebras, and prime \ast -algebras.

2. Main Result

Theorem 2.1. *Let \mathcal{A} be a unital \ast -algebra with unity I containing a non-trivial projection P satisfies*

$$X\mathcal{A}P = 0 \implies X = 0 \tag{\blacktriangle}$$

and

$$X\mathcal{A}(I - P) = 0 \implies X = 0. \tag{\blacktriangledown}$$

Define a map $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. Then Π is an additive \ast -derivation.

Proof. Let $P = P_1$ be a non-trivial projection in \mathcal{A} and $P_2 = I - P_1$, where I is the unity of this algebra. Then by Peirce decomposition of \mathcal{A} , we have $\mathcal{A} = P_1\mathcal{A}P_1 \oplus P_1\mathcal{A}P_2 \oplus P_2\mathcal{A}P_1 \oplus P_2\mathcal{A}P_2$ and, denote $\mathcal{A}_{11} = P_1\mathcal{A}P_1$, $\mathcal{A}_{12} = P_1\mathcal{A}P_2$, $\mathcal{A}_{21} = P_2\mathcal{A}P_1$ and $\mathcal{A}_{22} = P_2\mathcal{A}P_2$. Note that any $S \in \mathcal{A}$ can be written as $S = S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}$, where $S_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$ and $S_{ij}^* \in \mathcal{A}_{ji}$ for $i, j = 1, 2$. \square

We use various lemmas to demonstrate the above theorem.

Lemma 2.2. $\Pi(0) = 0$.

Proof. It is easy to prove $\Pi(0) = 0$. \square

Lemma 2.3. *Let $S_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ and $S_{21} \in \mathcal{A}_{21}$. Then $\Pi(S_{12} + S_{21}) = \Pi(S_{12}) + \Pi(S_{21})$.*

Proof. Let $M = \Pi(S_{12} + S_{21}) - \Pi(S_{12}) - \Pi(S_{21})$. Since $S_{21} \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((S_{12} + S_{21}) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1) &= \Pi(S_{12} \bullet P_2 \circ P_1) + \Pi(S_{21} \bullet P_2 \circ P_1) \\ &= \Pi(S_{12}) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 + S_{12} \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ P_1 + S_{12} \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(P_1) \\ &\quad + \Pi(S_{21}) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 + S_{21} \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ P_1 + S_{21} \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(P_1). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((S_{12} + S_{21}) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1) &= \Pi(S_{12} + S_{21}) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 + (S_{12} + S_{21}) \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ P_1 \\ &\quad + (S_{12} + S_{21}) \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(P_1). \end{aligned}$$

In the view of above two equations, we get $M \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 = 0$. That means $P_2M^*P_1 + P_1MP_2 = 0$. By left multiplication of P_1 both sides yields $P_1MP_2 = 0$. Similarly, one can show that $P_2MP_1 = 0$.

Now, again $(P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ S_{21} = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ (S_{12} + S_{21})) &= \Pi((P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ S_{12}) + \Pi((P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ S_{21}) \\ &= \Pi(P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ S_{12} + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet \Pi(I) \circ S_{12} \\ &\quad + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ \Pi(S_{12}) + \Pi(P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ S_{21} \\ &\quad + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet \Pi(I) \circ S_{21} + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ \Pi(S_{21}). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ (S_{12} + S_{21})) &= \Pi(P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ (S_{12} + S_{21}) \\ &\quad + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet \Pi(I) \circ (S_{12} + S_{21}) \\ &\quad + (P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ \Pi(S_{12} + S_{21}). \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the above two expressions, we find that $(P_1 - P_2) \bullet I \circ M = 0$. That means $2P_1M - 2P_2M + 2MP_1 - 2MP_2 = 0$. On pre and post multiplication by P_1 , we get $P_1MP_1 = 0$. Similarly, multiplying by P_2 from left and right on both sides, we get $P_2MP_2 = 0$. Hence, $M = 0$ i.e., $\Pi(S_{12} + S_{21}) = \Pi(S_{12}) + \Pi(S_{21})$. \square

Lemma 2.4. For every $S_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}, 1 \leq i \neq j \leq 2$, we have

$$\Pi(S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) = \Pi(S_{ii}) + \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ji}).$$

Proof. Let $M = \Pi(S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) - \Pi(S_{ii}) - \Pi(S_{ij}) - \Pi(S_{ji})$. On the one hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j) &= \Pi(S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j \\ &\quad + (S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \bullet \Pi(P_i) \circ P_j \\ &\quad + (S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \bullet P_i \circ \Pi(P_j). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using Lemma 2.3 and $S_{ii} \bullet P_i \circ P_j = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi((S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j) &= \Pi(S_{ii} \bullet P_i \circ P_j) + \Pi(S_{ij} \bullet P_i \circ P_j) + \Pi(S_{ji} \bullet P_i \circ P_j) \\ &= \Pi(S_{ii}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j + S_{ii} \bullet \Pi(P_i) \circ P_j + S_{ii} \bullet P_i \circ \Pi(P_j) \\ &\quad + \Pi(S_{ij}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j + S_{ij} \bullet \Pi(P_i) \circ P_j + S_{ij} \bullet P_i \circ \Pi(P_j) \\ &\quad + \Pi(S_{ji}) \bullet P_i \circ P_j + S_{ji} \bullet \Pi(P_i) \circ P_j + S_{ji} \bullet P_i \circ \Pi(P_j). \end{aligned}$$

From last two equations, we get $T \bullet P_i \circ P_j = 0$. This gives $P_i T^* P_j + P_j T P_i = 0$. Multiplying above equation by P_i from right, we get $P_j T P_i = 0$.

Since

$$\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ij} = \frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ji} = 0.$$

From Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}\right) &= \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ii}\right) + \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ij}\right) \\ &\quad + \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ji}\right) \\ &= \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ii} + \frac{I}{2} \bullet \Pi(P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ii} \\ &\quad + \frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ \Pi(S_{ii}) + \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ij} \\ &\quad + \frac{I}{2} \bullet \Pi(P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ij} + \frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ \Pi(S_{ij}) \\ &\quad + \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ji} + \frac{I}{2} \bullet \Pi(P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ji} \\ &\quad + \frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ \Pi(S_{ji}). \end{aligned}$$

From the other side, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}\right) &= \Pi\left(\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ (S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji})\right) \\ &+ \frac{I}{2} \bullet \Pi(P_i - P_j) \circ (S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) \\ &+ \frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ \Pi(S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}). \end{aligned}$$

From above two equations, we have $\frac{I}{2} \bullet (P_i - P_j) \circ M = 0$. That yields $P_iMP_i = 0$. Thus, $M = 0$ i.e.,

$$\Pi(S_{ii} + S_{ij} + S_{ji}) = \Pi(S_{ii}) + \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ji}).$$

□

Lemma 2.5. For any $S_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$, $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$, we have

$$\Pi\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^2 S_{ij}\right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \Pi(S_{ij}).$$

Proof. Let $M = \Pi(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) - \Pi(S_{11}) - \Pi(S_{12}) - \Pi(S_{21}) - \Pi(S_{22})$. On the one hand, it follows from $I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{11} = 0$ and using Lemma 2.4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22})) &= \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{11}) + \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{12}) \\ &+ \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{21}) + \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{22}) \\ &= \Pi(I) \bullet P_2 \circ S_{11} + I \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ S_{11} + I \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(S_{11}) \\ &+ \Pi(I) \bullet P_2 \circ S_{12} + I \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ S_{12} + I \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(S_{12}) \\ &+ \Pi(I) \bullet P_2 \circ S_{21} + I \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ S_{21} + I \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(S_{21}) \\ &+ \Pi(I) \bullet P_2 \circ S_{22} + I \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ S_{22} + I \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(S_{22}). \end{aligned}$$

From the other side, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(I \bullet P_2 \circ (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22})) &= \Pi(I) \bullet P_2 \circ (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) \\ &+ I \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) \\ &+ I \bullet P_2 \circ \Pi(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}). \end{aligned}$$

From the last two expressions, we get $I \bullet P_2 \circ M = 0$. This gives $P_1MP_2 = P_2MP_1 = P_2MP_2 = 0$. Similarly, $P_1MP_1 = 0$. Thus $M = 0$ i.e.,

$$\Pi(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) = \Pi(S_{11}) + \Pi(S_{12}) + \Pi(S_{21}) + \Pi(S_{22}).$$

□

Lemma 2.6. For any $S_{ij}, T_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$ with $i \neq j$, $\Pi(S_{ij} + T_{ij}) = \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(T_{ij})$.

Proof. From Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi((P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \frac{I}{2}) &= \Pi(P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \frac{I}{2} + (P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet \Pi(P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \frac{I}{2} \\
 &\quad + (P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \Pi(\frac{I}{2}) \\
 &= (\Pi(P_i) + \Pi(S_{ij})) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \frac{I}{2} \\
 &\quad + (P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (\Pi(P_j) + \Pi(T_{ij})) \circ \frac{I}{2} \\
 &\quad + (P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \Pi(\frac{I}{2}) \\
 &= \Pi(P_i \bullet P_j \circ \frac{I}{2}) + \Pi(P_i \bullet T_{ij} \circ \frac{I}{2}) \\
 &\quad + \Pi(S_{ij} \bullet P_j \circ \frac{I}{2}) + \Pi(S_{ij} \bullet T_{ij} \circ \frac{I}{2}) \\
 &= \Pi(T_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ij} + S_{ij}^*) + \Pi(T_{ij}S_{ij}^*) \\
 &= \Pi(T_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ij}^*) + \Pi(T_{ij}S_{ij}^*).
 \end{aligned}$$

From the other side, using Lemma 2.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi((P_i + S_{ij}) \bullet (P_j + T_{ij}) \circ \frac{I}{2}) &= \Pi(S_{ij} + T_{ij} + S_{ij}^* + T_{ij}S_{ij}^*) \\
 &= \Pi(S_{ij} + T_{ij}) + \Pi(S_{ij}^*) + \Pi(T_{ij}S_{ij}^*).
 \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get

$$\Pi(S_{ij} + T_{ij}) = \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(T_{ij}).$$

□

Lemma 2.7. For any $S_{ii}, T_{ii} \in \mathcal{A}_{ii}, 1 \leq i \leq 2$, we have

1. $\Pi(S_{11} + T_{11}) = \Pi(S_{11}) + \Pi(T_{11})$.
2. $\Pi(S_{22} + T_{22}) = \Pi(S_{22}) + \Pi(T_{22})$.

Proof. (1) Let $M = \Pi(S_{11} + T_{11}) - \Pi(S_{11}) - \Pi(T_{11})$. Since $P_2 \bullet S_{11} \circ I = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi(P_2 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ I) &= \Pi(P_2 \bullet S_{11} \circ I) + \Pi(P_2 \bullet T_{11} \circ I) \\
 &= \Pi(P_2) \bullet S_{11} \circ I + P_2 \bullet \Pi(S_{11}) \circ I + P_2 \bullet S_{11} \circ \Pi(I) \\
 &\quad + \Pi(P_2) \bullet T_{11} \circ I + P_2 \bullet \Pi(T_{11}) \circ I + P_2 \bullet T_{11} \circ \Pi(I).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi(P_2 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ I) &= \Pi(P_2) \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ I + P_2 \bullet \Pi(S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ I \\
 &\quad + P_2 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ \Pi(I).
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above two equations, we have $P_2 \bullet T \circ I = 0$, and hence $P_2MP_1 = P_2MP_2 = P_1MP_2 = 0$.

Now, for any $X_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ and using Lemma 2.6, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi(P_1 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ X_{12}) &= \Pi(2S_{11}X_{12} + 2T_{11}X_{12}) \\
 &= \Pi(2S_{11}X_{12}) + \Pi(2T_{11}X_{12}) \\
 &= \Pi(P_1 \bullet S_{11} \circ X_{12}) + \Pi(P_1 \bullet T_{11} \circ X_{12}) \\
 &= \Pi(P_1) \bullet S_{11} \circ X_{12} + P_1 \bullet \Pi(S_{11}) \circ X_{12} + P_1 \bullet S_{11} \circ \Pi(X_{12}) \\
 &\quad + \Pi(P_1) \bullet T_{11} \circ X_{12} + P_1 \bullet \Pi(T_{11}) \circ X_{12} + P_1 \bullet T_{11} \circ \Pi(X_{12}).
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(P_1 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ X_{12}) &= \Pi(P_1) \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ X_{12} + P_1 \bullet \Pi(S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ X_{12} \\ &\quad + P_1 \bullet (S_{11} + T_{11}) \circ \Pi(X_{12}). \end{aligned}$$

From the above two equations, we get $P_1 \bullet M \circ X_{12} = 0$. That means $P_1MX_{12} + MX_{12} + X_{12}MP_1 = 0$. Multiplying P_2 from the right and by P_1 from left, we get $P_1MX_{12} = 0$ i.e., $P_1MP_1XP_2 = 0$ for all $X \in \mathcal{A}$. It follows from (\blacktriangle) and (\blacktriangledown) that $P_1MP_1 = 0$. Hence, $M = 0$.

(2) Using the same technique as used in the proof of (1), we can show that

$$\Pi(S_{22} + T_{22}) = \Pi(S_{22}) + \Pi(T_{22}).$$

□

Lemma 2.8. Π is an additive map.

Proof. For any $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$, we write $S = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 S_{ij}$, $T = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 T_{ij}$. By using Lemmas 2.5 - 2.7, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(S + T) &= \Pi\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^2 S_{ij} + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 T_{ij}\right) \\ &= \Pi\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^2 (S_{ij} + T_{ij})\right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \Pi(S_{ij} + T_{ij}) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \Pi(S_{ij}) + \Pi(T_{ij}) \\ &= \Pi\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^2 S_{ij}\right) + \Pi\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^2 T_{ij}\right) \\ &= \Pi(S) + \Pi(T). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.9. 1. $P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 = -P_1\Pi(P_2)P_2$.

2. $P_2\Pi(P_1)P_1 = -P_2\Pi(P_2)P_1$.

3. $P_1\Pi(P_2)P_1 = P_2\Pi(P_1)P_2 = 0$.

4. $P_1\Pi(P_2)^*P_1 = P_2\Pi(P_1)^*P_2 = 0$.

Proof. (1) It follows from $P_1 \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2 that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Pi(P_1 \bullet P_2 \circ P_1) \\ &= \Pi(P_1) \bullet P_2 \circ P_1 + P_1 \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ P_1 \\ &= P_2\Pi(P_1)^*P_1 + P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 + P_1\Pi(P_2)P_1 + \Pi(P_2)P_1 + P_1\Pi(P_2) + P_1\Pi(P_2)P_1. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying both sides by P_2 from the right and by P_1 from the left, we get

$$P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 = -P_1\Pi(P_2)P_2.$$

(2) Since $P_2 \bullet P_1 \circ P_2 = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Pi(P_2 \bullet P_1 \circ P_2) \\ &= \Pi(P_2) \bullet P_1 \circ P_2 + P_2 \bullet \Pi(P_1) \circ P_2 \\ &= P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_1 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2 + \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2. \end{aligned}$$

On multiplying P_1 from the right and by P_2 from the left to above equation, we get

$$P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_1 = -P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_1.$$

(3) In Lemma 2.9 (1), we have

$$0 = P_2 \Pi(P_1)^* P_1 + P_1 \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_1 + \Pi(P_2) P_1 + P_1 \Pi(P_2) + P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_1.$$

By multiplying P_1 from the left and right sides to the above equation, we get $P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_1 = 0$. Similarly, in Lemma 2.9 (2) we have

$$0 = P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_1 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2 + \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2.$$

Multiplying both sides to above equation by P_2 from left and right, we get $P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2 = 0$.

(4) It follows from Lemma 2.2, that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Pi(P_1 \bullet P_2 \circ P_2) \\ &= \Pi(P_1) \bullet P_2 \circ P_2 + P_1 \bullet \Pi(P_2) \circ P_2 \\ &= \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1)^* P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1)^* + P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_1. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying above equation by P_2 from left and right, and using $P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_2 = 0$, we get $P_2 \Pi(P_1)^* P_2 = 0$. Similarly, using the same technique as above on $\Pi(P_1 \bullet P_2 \circ P_2) = 0$, we can show that $P_1 \Pi(P_2)^* P_1 = 0$. \square

Lemma 2.10. $P_1 \Pi(P_1) P_1 = P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_2 = 0$.

Proof. For every $S_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$, in view of Lemma 2.8, we have

$$\Pi(P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ P_1) = \Pi(S_{12}).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ P_1) &= \Pi(P_1) \bullet S_{12} \circ P_1 + P_1 \bullet \Pi(S_{12}) \circ P_1 + P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ \Pi(P_1) \\ &= S_{12} \Pi(P_1)^* P_1 + P_1 \Pi(P_1) S_{12} + S_{12} \Pi(P_1)^* + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 + \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 \\ &\quad + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 + S_{12} \Pi(P_1) + \Pi(P_1) S_{12}. \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= S_{12} \Pi(P_1)^* P_1 + P_1 \Pi(P_1) S_{12} + S_{12} \Pi(P_1)^* + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 + \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 \\ &\quad + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) + P_1 \Pi(S_{12}) P_1 + S_{12} \Pi(P_1) + \Pi(P_1) S_{12} - \Pi(S_{12}). \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the above equation by P_2 and P_1 from the right and left respectively, and using $P_2 \Pi(P_1)^* P_2 = 0$, we get $P_1 \Pi(P_1) S_{12} = 0$, i.e., $P_1 \Pi(P_1) P_1 S P_2 = 0$ for all $S \in \mathcal{A}$. It follows from (▲) and (▼) that $P_1 \Pi(P_1) P_1 = 0$. Similarly, we can prove that $P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_2 = 0$. \square

Lemma 2.11. 1. $\Pi(P_1) = P_1 \Pi(P_1) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_1) P_1, \Pi(P_2) = P_1 \Pi(P_2) P_2 + P_2 \Pi(P_2) P_1$.
 2. $\Pi(I) = 0$.

Proof. (1) From Peirce decomposition, we have

$$\Pi(P_1) = P_1\Pi(P_1)P_1 + P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 + P_2\Pi(P_1)P_1 + P_2\Pi(P_1)P_2.$$

Now, by using Lemma 2.9 (3) and Lemma 2.10, we get $\Pi(P_1) = P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 + P_2\Pi(P_1)P_1$. Similarly, we can show that $\Pi(P_2) = P_1\Pi(P_2)P_2 + P_2\Pi(P_2)P_1$.

(2) From Lemma 2.8, Lemma 2.9 and Lemma 2.11 (1), we have

$$\Pi(I) = \Pi(P_1) + \Pi(P_2) = P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 + P_2\Pi(P_1)P_1 + P_1\Pi(P_2)P_2 + P_2\Pi(P_2)P_1 = 0.$$

□

Lemma 2.12. $\Pi(S^*) = \Pi(S)^*$ for all $S \in \mathcal{A}$.

Proof. Using Lemma 2.8, we find that

$$\Pi(S \bullet I \circ I) = \Pi(2S + 2S^*) = 2\Pi(S) + 2\Pi(S^*).$$

From the other side, it follows from Lemma 2.11 (2) that

$$\Pi(S \bullet I \circ I) = \Pi(S) \bullet I \circ I = 2\Pi(S) + 2\Pi(S)^*.$$

From above two equations, we get $\Pi(S^*) = \Pi(S)^*$. □

Now, let $M = P_1\Pi(P_1)P_2 - P_2\Pi(P_1)P_1$. Then $M = -M^*$. Define a map $\Phi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ by $\Phi(S) = \Pi(S) - (SM - MS)$ for all $S \in \mathcal{A}$. The following characteristics of Φ can be easily verified.

Remark 2.13. Φ has the following properties.

1. For all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$, $\Phi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Phi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Phi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Phi(U)$.
2. $\Phi(S^*) = \Phi(S)^*$ for all $S \in \mathcal{A}$.
3. Φ is additive.
4. $\Phi(P_1) = \Phi(P_2) = 0$.
5. $\Phi(I) = 0$.
6. Φ is a $*$ -derivation if and only if Π is a $*$ -derivation.

Lemma 2.14. $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_{ij}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{ij}$, $i, j = 1, 2$.

Proof. First, we prove for $i = 1, j = 2$. For any $S_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ and using Remark 2.13, we have

$$\Phi(I \bullet P_1 \circ S_{12}) = 2\Phi(S_{12}).$$

From the other side, we get

$$\Phi(I \bullet P_1 \circ S_{12}) = I \bullet P_1 \circ \Phi(S_{12}) = 2P_1\Phi(S_{12}) + 2\Phi(S_{12})P_1.$$

By comparing the above two equations, we have

$$2P_1\Phi(S_{12}) + 2\Phi(S_{12})P_1 - 2\Phi(S_{12}) = 0.$$

By multiplying P_1 from the left and right sides of the above equation, we get $P_1\Phi(S_{12})P_1 = 0$. Similarly, by multiplying P_2 on the left and right sides of the above equation, we obtain $P_2\Phi(S_{12})P_2 = 0$.

Again, by using Remark 2.13, we have

$$0 = \Phi(S_{12} \bullet P_1 \circ I) = \Phi(S_{12}) \bullet P_1 \circ I = 2\Phi(S_{12})P_1 + 2P_1\Phi(S_{12})^*.$$

By multiplying P_2 from left to the above equation, we get $P_2\Phi(S_{12})P_1 = 0$. Hence, $P_1\Phi(S_{12})P_1 = P_2\Phi(S_{12})P_2 = P_2\Phi(S_{12})P_1 = 0$. So, $\Phi(S_{12}) = P_1\Phi(S_{12})P_2 \in S_{12}$. Since, S_{12} is arbitrary, we have $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_{12}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{12}$. Similarly, we can show that $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_{21}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{21}$.

Now, we prove for $i = j = 1$. For any $S_{11} \in \mathcal{A}_{11}$, it follows from Remark 2.13 and using $I \bullet S_{11} \circ P_2 = 0$, we have

$$0 = \Phi(I \bullet P_2 \circ S_{11}) = I \bullet P_2 \circ \Phi(S_{11}) = 2\Phi(S_{11})P_2 + 2P_2\Phi(S_{11}).$$

This implies that $P_2 \Phi(S_{11})P_2 = P_2 \Phi(S_{11})P_1 = P_1 \Phi(S_{11})P_2 = 0$. Hence $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_{11}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{11}$. Similarly, $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_{22}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{22}$. \square

Lemma 2.15. For any $S_{ij}, T_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2$, we have

1. $\Phi(S_{11}T_{12}) = \Phi(S_{11})T_{12} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{12})$ and $\Phi(S_{22}T_{21}) = \Phi(S_{22})T_{21} + S_{22}\Phi(T_{21})$.
2. $\Phi(S_{12}T_{21}) = \Phi(S_{12})T_{21} + S_{12}\Phi(T_{21})$ and $\Phi(S_{21}T_{12}) = \Phi(S_{21})T_{12} + S_{21}\Phi(T_{12})$.
3. $\Phi(S_{11}T_{11}) = \Phi(S_{11})T_{11} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{11})$ and $\Phi(S_{22}T_{22}) = \Phi(S_{22})T_{22} + S_{22}\Phi(T_{22})$.
4. $\Phi(S_{12}T_{22}) = \Phi(S_{12})T_{22} + S_{12}\Phi(T_{22})$ and $\Phi(S_{21}T_{11}) = \Phi(S_{21})T_{11} + S_{21}\Phi(T_{11})$.

Proof. (1) By using Remark 2.13, we have

$$\Phi(P_1 \bullet S_{11} \circ T_{12}) = 2 \Phi(S_{11}T_{12}).$$

From the other side, using Lemma 2.14 and $\Phi(P_1) = 0$, we get

$$\Phi(P_1 \bullet S_{11} \circ T_{12}) = P_1 \bullet \Phi(S_{11}) \circ T_{12} + P_1 \bullet S_{11} \circ \Phi(T_{12}) = 2\Phi(S_{11})T_{12} + 2S_{11}\Phi(T_{12}).$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get $\Phi(S_{11}T_{12}) = \Phi(S_{11})T_{12} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{12})$. Similarly, we can show that $\Phi(S_{22}T_{21}) = \Phi(S_{22})T_{21} + S_{22}\Phi(T_{21})$.

(2) By using Remark 2.13 that Φ is additive, we have

$$\Phi(P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ T_{21}) = 2 \Phi(S_{12}T_{21}).$$

From the other side, using Lemma 2.14 and $\Phi(P_1) = 0$, we have

$$\Phi(P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ T_{21}) = P_1 \bullet \Phi(S_{12}) \circ T_{21} + P_1 \bullet S_{12} \circ \Phi(T_{21}) = 2 \Phi(S_{12})T_{21} + 2 S_{12} \Phi(T_{21}).$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get $\Phi(S_{12}T_{21}) = \Phi(S_{12})T_{21} + S_{12}\Phi(T_{21})$. Similarly, we can prove that $\Phi(S_{21}T_{12}) = \Phi(S_{21})T_{12} + S_{21}\Phi(T_{12})$.

(3) For every $X_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$, we have

$$\Phi(S_{11}T_{11}X_{12}) = \Phi(S_{11}T_{11})X_{12} + S_{11}T_{11}\Phi(X_{12})$$

Again, for every $X_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$, we have from Lemma 2.15(1) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(S_{11}T_{11}X_{12}) &= \Phi(S_{11})T_{11}X_{12} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{11}X_{12}) \\ &= \Phi(S_{11})T_{11}X_{12} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{11})X_{12} + S_{11}T_{11}\Phi(X_{12}). \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get

$$(\Phi(S_{11}T_{11}) - \Phi(S_{11})T_{11} - S_{11}\Phi(T_{11}))X_{12} = 0, \quad \forall X_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}.$$

From (▲) and (▼), we get $\Phi(S_{11}T_{11}) = \Phi(S_{11})T_{11} + S_{11}\Phi(T_{11})$. Similarly, $\Phi(S_{22}T_{22}) = \Phi(S_{22})T_{22} + S_{22}\Phi(T_{22})$.

(4) It follows from Remark 2.13, Lemma 2.14 and Lemma 2.15(1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(S_{12} \bullet T_{22} \circ P_2) &= \Phi(S_{12}T_{22} + T_{22}S_{12}^*) \\ &= \Phi(S_{12}T_{22}) + \Phi(T_{22}S_{12}^*) \\ &= \Phi(S_{12}T_{22}) + \Phi(T_{22})S_{12}^* + T_{22}\Phi(S_{12})^*. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using Lemma 2.14 , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(S_{12} \bullet T_{22} \circ P_2) &= \Phi(S_{12}) \bullet T_{22} \circ P_2 + S_{12} \bullet \Phi(T_{22}) \circ P_2 \\ &= \Phi(S_{12})T_{22} + T_{22}\Phi(S_{12})^* + S_{12}\Phi(T_{22}) + \Phi(T_{22})S_{12}^* \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the above two equations, we get $\Phi(S_{12}T_{22}) = \Phi(S_{12})T_{22} + S_{12}\Phi(T_{22})$. Similarly, $\Phi(S_{21}T_{11}) = \Phi(S_{21})T_{11} + S_{21}\Phi(T_{11})$. \square

Lemma 2.16. $\Phi(ST) = \Phi(S)T + S\Phi(T)$ for all $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$.

Proof. For every $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$, we can write $S = S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}$ and $T = T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}$. Since, Φ is additive and using Lemma 2.15, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(ST) &= \Phi(S_{11}T_{11} + S_{11}T_{12} + S_{12}T_{21} + S_{12}T_{22} \\ &\quad + S_{21}T_{11} + S_{21}T_{12} + S_{22}T_{21} + S_{22}T_{22}) \\ &= \Phi(S_{11}T_{11}) + \Phi(S_{11}T_{12}) + \Phi(S_{12}T_{21}) + \Phi(S_{12}T_{22}) \\ &\quad + \Phi(S_{21}T_{11}) + \Phi(S_{21}T_{12}) + \Phi(S_{22}T_{21}) + \Phi(S_{22}T_{22}) \\ &= \Phi(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22})(T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}) \\ &\quad + (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) \Phi(T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}) \\ &= \Phi(S)T + S\Phi(T). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Φ is a derivation. \square

Now, from Remark 2.13 and Lemma 2.16, we get Φ is an additive $*$ -derivation. Hence, Π is an additive $*$ -derivation. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Let H be a complex Hilbert space, and $B(H)$ be the algebra of all bounded linear operators on H . An algebra of operators on a Hilbert space H is termed a von Neumann algebra if it is both weakly closed and self-adjoint, and it contains the identity operator I .

Lemma 2.17. [7, Lemma 2.2] Let \mathcal{A} be a von Neumann algebra on a Hilbert space H . Let $\mathcal{A} \in B(H)$ and $P \in \mathcal{A}$ be a projection with $\overline{P} = I$. If $\mathcal{A}BP = 0$ for all $B \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\mathcal{A} = 0$.

As a direct result of Theorem 2.1, we have an following corollaries:

Corollary 2.18. Let \mathcal{A} be a standard operator algebra on an infinite dimensional complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H} containing identity operator I . Suppose that \mathcal{A} is closed under adjoint operation. Define $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. Then Π is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. It is a fact that every standard operator algebra \mathcal{A} is prime algebra. Which is a consequences of Hahn-Banach theorem. Then by the definition of primeness, \mathcal{A} also satisfies (\blacktriangle) and (\blacktriangledown) , hence by Theorem 2.1, Π is an additive $*$ -derivation.

\square

Corollary 2.19. Let \mathcal{M} be a factor von Neumann algebra with $\dim \mathcal{M} \geq 2$. Define $\Pi : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ such that

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. Then Π is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. It follows from Lemma 2.17 that every factor von Neumann algebra \mathcal{M} satisfies (\blacktriangle) and (\blacktriangledown) . Hence by using Theorem 2.1, Π is an additive $*$ -derivation. \square

Corollary 2.20. Let \mathcal{A} be a prime $*$ -algebra with unit I containing non-trivial projection P . A map $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U)$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. Then Π is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. By the definition of primeness of \mathcal{A} , it is easy to see that \mathcal{A} also satisfies (\blacktriangle) and (\blacktriangledown) , hence by Theorem 2.1, Π is an additive $*$ -derivation. \square

Now, we construct an example to show that the conditions (\blacktriangle) and (\blacktriangledown) in Theorem 2.1 are necessary.

Example 2.21. Consider $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{C}[X] \times M_2(\mathbb{C})$, where $\mathbb{C}[X]$ and $M_2(\mathbb{C})$ are a polynomial ring and a matrix ring over complex numbers \mathbb{C} , respectively. Let $I = I_1 \times I_2$, where I_1 and $I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are units of $\mathbb{C}[X]$ and $M_2(\mathbb{C})$, respectively. For any $Y = (q(x), B) \in \mathcal{A}$, where $\overline{q(x)}$ is a conjugate of $q(x)$ and B^T is a transpose of B . Then $*$: $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ such that $Y^* = (\overline{q(x)}, B^T)$ is an involution. Thus, \mathcal{A} is a unital $*$ -algebra with unity I . Define a map $\Pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ such that $\Pi(q(x), B) = (iq(x)', 0)$, where $i = \sqrt{-1} \in \mathbb{C}$ and $q(x)'$ is a derivative of $q(x)$. Then

$$\Pi(S \bullet T \circ U) = \Pi(S) \bullet T \circ U + S \bullet \Pi(T) \circ U + S \bullet T \circ \Pi(U) \quad (1)$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{A}$. Note that $d(x) = iq(x)'$ is a derivation on $\mathbb{C}[X]$ and so the above condition (1) satisfies. Let $P = \{0\} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ be a non-trivial projection so $P^2 = P$ and $P^* = P$. For $W = (r(x), 0) \neq (0, 0)$ where $0 \neq r \in \mathbb{C}$, we have $W\mathcal{A}P = (0)$ but $0 \neq W \in \mathcal{A}$. However, Π is not an additive $*$ -derivation because $\Pi(S^*) \neq (\Pi(S))^*$ for some $S \in \mathcal{A}$.

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