



Nonlinear *-Lie n-type derivations on *-algebras

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{M} be an $*$ -algebra containing a non-trivial projection with unit I . In this paper, we study the characterization of nonlinear $*$ -Lie type derivations on $*$ -algebras. For any $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$, a product $[S, T]_* = ST - T^*S$ is called $*$ -Lie product. In this article it is shown that, if a map $\Theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ (not necessarily linear) satisfies $\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{M}$, then Θ is additive. Moreover, if $\Theta(iI)$ is self-adjoint, then Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation. As an application, we can also apply our result on von Neumann algebras, standard operator algebras and prime $*$ -algebras.

1. Introduction

Let \mathcal{M} be an $*$ -algebra over the field \mathbb{C} . The expressions $[S, T] = ST - TS$ and $[S, T]_* = ST - T^*S$ for any $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$, represent the Lie product and the Lie $*$ -product. The study of these products has gained significant attention in various research areas, as highlighted in the works of numerous authors, including [1, 4, 5, 14, 18, 21].

Let \mathcal{M} be an additive mapping. Then $\Theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is said to be additive derivation if $\Theta(ST) = \Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T)$ for every pair of elements $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$. Furthermore, if Θ also fulfills the condition $\Theta(S^*) = \Theta(S)^*$ for every $S \in \mathcal{M}$, we call Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation. In other way, let $\Theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ be a non additive mapping, then we call Θ , nonlinear Lie derivation or $*$ -Lie derivation if it satisfies the condition

$$\Theta([S, T]) = [\Theta(S), T] + [S, \Theta(T)]$$

or

$$\Theta([S, T]_*) = [\Theta(S), T]_* + [S, \Theta(T)]_*$$

for all $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$. This concept of a nonlinear Lie derivation or Lie $*$ -derivation can be extended naturally. Specifically, Θ is called a nonlinear Lie triple derivation or nonlinear $*$ -Lie triple derivation if it meets the condition

$$\Theta([([S, T], U)]) = [[\Theta(S), T], U] + [[S, \Theta(T)], U] + [[S, T], \Theta(U)]$$

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or

$$\Theta([S, T]_*, U)_* = [[\Theta(S), T]_*, U]_* + [[S, \Theta(T)]_*, U]_* + [[S, T]_*, \Theta(U)]_*$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{M}$. Based on the definition of $*$ -Lie derivation, Jing [16] gave the complete characterization of nonlinear $*$ -Lie derivation on standard operator algebra and proved that every nonlinear $*$ -Lie derivation is linear and inner $*$ -derivation. To continue the study of characterization of the Lie derivation to Lie-triple derivation. Li et al. [20] studied nonlinear skew Lie triple derivation on factor von Neumann algebra and proved that every nonlinear skew Lie triple derivation on factors is an additive $*$ -derivation. Similarly, Kong et al. [17] concentrated on characterizing a kind of non-global nonlinear skew Lie triple derivations Θ on factor von Neumann algebras satisfying

$$\Theta([S, T]_*, U)_* = [[\Theta(S), T]_*, U]_* + [[S, \Theta(T)]_*, U]_* + [[S, T]_*, \Theta(U)]_*$$

for all $S, T, U \in \mathcal{M}$ with $S^*T^*U = 0$.

In recent years, several researchers have explored Lie n -derivations across various types of algebras (see [22], [23] and related references). In [19], the authors proved that a map Θ between two-factor von Neumann algebras is a $*$ -ring isomorphism if and only if $\Theta([a, b]_*) = [\Theta(a), \Theta(b)]_*$, where $[a, b]_* = ab - ba^*$. In [7], Ferreira and Costa extended these new products and defined two other types of applications, named multiplicative $*$ -Jordan n -map and multiplicative $*$ -Lie n -map and used it to impose conditions such that a map between C^* -algebras is a $*$ -ring isomorphism. Further, Andrade et al. [3] study the characterization of multiplicative $*$ -Lie-type maps and as application, they obtained the result on alternative W^* -algebras. In [2], the authors provide the characterization of multiplicative $*$ -Jordan-type maps on alternative algebras.

Many authors have studied Lie-type derivations in structure like $*$ -algebras, matrix rings, and even more general structures like alternative algebras see [15]–[9]. Building on the concepts of Lie derivation and Lie triple derivation, we were inspired to explore similar questions in the context of nonlinear $*$ -Lie-type derivations on $*$ -algebras. For a fixed positive integer n , where $n \geq 2$, we define polynomials sequence as

$$\begin{aligned} q_1(S_1) &= S_1, \\ q_2(S_1, S_2) &= [q_1(S_1), S_2]_* = [S_1, S_2]_*, \\ q_3(S_1, S_2, S_3) &= [q_2(S_1, S_2), S_3]_* = [[S_1, S_2]_*, S_3]_*, \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n) &= [q_{n-1}(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{n-1}), S_n]_* . \end{aligned}$$

The polynomial $q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)$ is known as $(n-1)^{th}$ commutator.

The definition of nonlinear $*$ -Lie type derivations is first presented. A map $\Theta : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ that is additive is known as Lie n -derivation or n -type derivation, if the following is satisfied:

$$\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$$

for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$. More generally, removing the additivity of Θ , we get Θ is a nonlinear $*$ -Lie n -derivation. It is evident that all derivations are Lie derivations, and every Lie derivation is, in turn, a Lie triple derivation.

2. Main Result

Now take a projection $\mathcal{P}_1 \in \mathcal{M}$ and let $\mathcal{P}_2 = I - \mathcal{P}_1$. We write $\mathcal{M}_{jk} = \mathcal{P}_j \mathcal{M} \mathcal{P}_k$ for $j, k = 1, 2$. Then by the Peirce decomposition of \mathcal{M} , we have $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_{11} \oplus \mathcal{M}_{12} \oplus \mathcal{M}_{21} \oplus \mathcal{M}_{22}$. Note that any operator $S \in \mathcal{M}$ can be expressed as $S = S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}$ and $S_{jk}^* \in \mathcal{M}_{kj}$ for any $S_{jk} \in \mathcal{M}_{jk}$.

Theorem 2.1. Let \mathcal{M} be a $*$ -algebra having unit I that contains a nontrivial projection \mathcal{P} such that:

$$X\mathcal{M}\mathcal{P} = 0 \implies X = 0 \quad (\nabla)$$

$$X\mathcal{M}(I - \mathcal{P}) = 0 \implies X = 0. \quad (\Delta)$$

If $\Theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ satisfies

$$\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$$

for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$, then Θ is additive. Moreover, if $\Theta(iI)$ is self-adjoint, then Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation.

The proof is organized in a series of lemmas. Since the sequence q_n is defined as:

$$q_n(S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_n) := [[\dots[[S_1, S_2]_*, S_3]_*, \dots, S_{n-1}]_*, S_n]_*.$$

Lemma 2.2. For any, $S \in \mathcal{M}$ and for any integer $n \geq 2$, we have

$$q_n(S, \mathcal{P}_1, \dots, \mathcal{P}_1) = \mathcal{P}_2 S \mathcal{P}_1 + (-1)^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_1 S \mathcal{P}_2. \quad (1)$$

$$q_n(S, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = \mathcal{P}_1 S \mathcal{P}_2 + (-1)^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_2 S \mathcal{P}_1. \quad (2)$$

Lemma 2.3. $\Theta(0) = 0$.

Proof. It is trivial to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(0) &= \Theta(q_n(0, 0, \dots, 0)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(0), 0, \dots, 0) + q_n(0, \Theta(0), \dots, 0) + \dots + q_n(0, 0, \dots, \Theta(0)) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.4. For any $S_{11} \in \mathcal{M}_{11}, S_{12} \in \mathcal{M}_{12}, S_{21} \in \mathcal{M}_{21}, S_{22} \in \mathcal{M}_{22}$, we have

$$\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}) = \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12})$$

$$\Theta(S_{21} + S_{22}) = \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{22}).$$

Proof. For any $S_{11} \in \mathcal{M}_{11}, S_{12} \in \mathcal{M}_{12}$, Let $M = \Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}) - (\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}))$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ = q_n(\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Now, it is easy to see that $q_n(S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$ and using Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ = \Theta(q_n(S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ = q_n(\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Above two relations implies that $q_n(M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.2, we have $\mathcal{P}_1 M \mathcal{P}_2 + (-1)^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_2 M \mathcal{P}_1 = 0$. By multiplying \mathcal{P}_1 on both sides, we get $\mathcal{P}_1 M \mathcal{P}_2 = 0$. Hence, it follows from (∇) and (Δ) , we obtain $M_{12} = 0$.

Similarly, by multiplying \mathcal{P}_2 on both sides and using (∇) and (Δ) , we get $M_{21} = 0$. Now, it is observe that $q_n(S_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Using Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

Whereas,

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(S_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

It follows from above two expressions that $q_n(M, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now using Lemma 2.2, (∇) and (Δ) implies that $M_{22} = 0$.

Again, we have $q_n(X_{12}, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Using Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(X_{12}), S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + q_n(X_{12}, \Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + \dots + q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(X_{12}, S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(X_{12}, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(X_{12}), S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + q_n(X_{12}, \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) + \dots + q_n(X_{12}, S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

Which will give us $q_n(X_{12}, M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.3, (∇) and (Δ) , we obtain $X_{12}M\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1M^*X_{12} = 0$. Since $M_{22} = 0$. Therefore, we get $M_{11} = 0$. Hence, we have $M = 0$, i.e.,

$$\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12}) = \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}).$$

The other case can be prove analogously. This concludes the proof. \square

Lemma 2.5. For any $S_{11} \in \mathcal{M}_{11}, S_{12} \in \mathcal{M}_{12}, S_{21} \in \mathcal{M}_{21}, S_{22} \in \mathcal{M}_{22}$, We have

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

Proof. Let $M = \Theta(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}) - \Theta(S_{11}) - \Theta(S_{12}) - \Theta(S_{21}) - \Theta(S_{22})$. Now, it is easily seen that $q_n(S_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = q_n(S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Using Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(S_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(S_{12}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &\quad + \Theta(q_n(S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{22}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &\quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Which will gives us $q_n(M, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.2, we obtain $-X_{21}^* M \mathcal{P}_2 + (-1)^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_2 M X_{21} = 0$. By left multiplying with \mathcal{P}_2 , on both sides and using (V) and (Δ), we get $M_{22} = 0$.

Again, $q_n(S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = q_n(S_{21}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. and using Lemma 2.2, Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(S_{21}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ & \quad + \Theta(q_n(S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{22}), X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(X_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}), X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(X_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

On comparing the above two equations we get, $q_n(M, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.2, we obtain $\mathcal{P}_1 M X_{12} + (-1)^{n-1} (-X_{12}^* M \mathcal{P}_1) = 0$. By left multiplying \mathcal{P}_1 on both sides, we get $\mathcal{P}_1 M X_{12} = 0$. Hence, it follows from (V) and (Δ), we get $M_{11} = 0$.

Now, since $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$ and using Lemma 2.2, Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ & \quad + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{22}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Which will give us, $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.2, we obtain $-\mathcal{P}_1 M^* \mathcal{P}_2 + (-1)^{n-1} (\mathcal{P}_2 M \mathcal{P}_1) = 0$. By left multiplying with \mathcal{P}_2 on both sides and using (V), (Δ), we get $M_{21} = 0$.

Now for M_{12} , using the fact that $q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. and Lemma 2.2, Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ & \quad + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ & \quad + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_1), S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(S_{22}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_1), S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, \Theta(S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{21} + S_{22}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

On comparing the above two equations, we get $q_n(\mathcal{P}_1, M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now using Lemma 2.2, we obtain $\mathcal{P}_1 M \mathcal{P}_2 + (-1)^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_2 M^* \mathcal{P}_1 = 0$. By left multiplying with \mathcal{P}_1 on both side and using $(\nabla), (\Delta)$ we get $M_{12} = 0$. Hence, $M = 0$. \square

Lemma 2.6. For any $S_{11}, T_{11} \in \mathcal{M}_{11}$ and $S_{22}, T_{22} \in \mathcal{M}_{22}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(S_{11} + T_{11}) &= \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(T_{11}). \\ \Theta(S_{22} + T_{22}) &= \Theta(S_{22}) + \Theta(T_{22}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $M = \Theta(S_{11} + T_{11}) - \Theta(S_{11}) - \Theta(T_{11})$. Now using the fact $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{11} + T_{11}, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(T_{11}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Calculating in another way, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{11} + T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{11} + T_{11}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{11} + T_{11}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

On comparing the above two expressions, we get $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Using Lemma 2.2, (∇) and (Δ) , we get $M_{12} = 0$. Similarly we can obtain $M_{21} = 0$. Now, for M_{22} , using $q_n(S_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$ and Lemma 2.4,

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(T_{11}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(S_{11} + T_{11}), X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, \Theta(X_{21}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ \dots + q_n(S_{11} + T_{11}, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2))\end{aligned}$$

Comparing the above equations, we obtain $q_n(M, X_{21}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Which after further solving and using Lemma 2.2, (V) and (Δ) gives us $M_{22} = 0$. Similarly, we can show that $M_{11} = 0$. Hence,

$$\Theta(S_{11} + T_{11}) = \Theta(S_{11}) + \Theta(T_{11}).$$

□

Lemma 2.7. For any $S_{12}, T_{12} \in \mathcal{M}_{12}$ and $S_{21}, T_{21} \in \mathcal{M}_{21}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(S_{12} + T_{12}) &= \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(T_{12}). \\ \Theta(S_{21} + T_{21}) &= \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(T_{21}).\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $M = \Theta(S_{12} + T_{12}) - \Theta(S_{12}) - \Theta(T_{12})$. Now, using $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$ and Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(T_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

Whereas,

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, \Theta(S_{12} + T_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ \dots + q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, S_{12} + T_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

From above two expressions, we get $q_n(\mathcal{P}_2, M, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, by using Lemma 2.2, (V) and (Δ), we get $M_{12} = 0$. Similarly by using same approach, we can obtain $M_{21} = 0$. Now, for M_{11} . It is easily seen that $q_n(S_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$, and using Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= \Theta(q_n(S_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) + \Theta(q_n(T_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(T_{12}), X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, \Theta(X_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ \dots + q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

Calculating in another way,

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2)) &= q_n(\Theta(S_{12} + T_{12}), X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, \Theta(X_{12}), \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2), \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) \\ &+ \dots + q_n(S_{12} + T_{12}, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \Theta(\mathcal{P}_2)).\end{aligned}$$

From above two equations, we get $q_n(M, X_{12}, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_2) = 0$. Now, using Lemma 2.2, we get $\mathcal{P}_1 M X_{12} + (-1)^{n-1} X_{12}^* M \mathcal{P}_1 = 0$. By multiplying \mathcal{P}_2 on both sides, we get $\mathcal{P}_1 M X_{12} = 0$. Therefore, by using (∇) and (Δ) , we get, $M_{11} = 0$. Similarly, we can show that $M_{22} = 0$. Hence,

$$\Theta(S_{12} + T_{12}) = \Theta(S_{12}) + \Theta(T_{12}).$$

In the similar way, one can easily show that

$$\Theta(S_{21} + T_{21}) = \Theta(S_{21}) + \Theta(T_{21}).$$

□

Lemma 2.8. Θ is additive.

Proof. Let $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$ and write $S = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 S_{ij}$, $T = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 T_{ij}$. Then by using Lemma 2.4 - 2.7, we have

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

□

Now in further lemmas, we will prove that Θ is an $*$ -derivation.

Lemma 2.9. $\Theta(I)^* = \Theta(I)$.

Proof. Since $q_n(I, I, iI, \dots, iI) = 0$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Theta(q_n(I, I, iI, \dots, iI)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(I), I, iI, \dots, iI) + q_n(I, \Theta(I), iI, \dots, iI) \\ &= 2^{n-1} i^{n-1} (\Theta(I) - \Theta(I)^*). \end{aligned}$$

Which gives $\Theta(I)^* = \Theta(I)$. □

Lemma 2.10. If $\Theta(iI)^* = \Theta(iI)$, then $\Theta(iI) = \Theta(I) = 0$.

Proof. Using the fact that, $q_n(I, iI, \dots, iI) = 2^n i^n I$ and Lemma 2.9, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(2^n i^n I) &= q_n(\Theta(I), iI, \dots, iI) + q_n(I, \Theta(iI), \dots, iI) \\ &\quad + \dots + q_n(I, iI, \dots, \Theta(iI)) \\ 2^n \Theta(i^n I) &= 2^n i^n \Theta(I) + 2^{n-1} i^{n-1} (\Theta(iI) - \Theta(iI)^*) (n-1). \end{aligned}$$

Since, $\Theta(iI) = \Theta(iI)^*$, so

$$\Theta(iI) = i\Theta(I).$$

Taking adjoint on both sides of the above relation, we obtain

$$\Theta(iI)^* = -i\Theta(I).$$

Since Θ is self - adjoint. On combining the last two relations, we obtain $\Theta(iI) = 0$ and $\Theta(I) = 0$. \square

Lemma 2.11. $\Theta(iS) = i\Theta(S)$ for any $S \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof. As, $q_n(S, iI, \dots, iI) = 2^n i^n S$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(2^n i^n S) &= \Theta(q_n(S, iI, \dots, iI)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S), iI, \dots, iI) + q_n(S, \Theta(iI), \dots, iI) \\ &\quad + \dots + q_n(S, iI, \dots, \Theta(iI)) \\ &= 2^n i^n \Theta(S). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\Theta(iS) = i\Theta(S)$. \square

Lemma 2.12. Θ preserves star.

Proof. Observes that $q_n(iI, S, iI, \dots, iI) = 2^{n-1} i^n (S - S^*)$, using $\Theta(iI) = \Theta(I) = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(2^{n-1} i^n (S - S^*)) &= \Theta(q_n(iI, S, iI, \dots, iI)) \\ &= q_n(iI, \Theta(S), iI, \dots, iI) \\ &= 2^{n-1} i^n (\Theta(S) - \Theta(S)^*). \end{aligned}$$

Which implies, $\Theta(S^*) = \Theta(S)^*$. \square

Lemma 2.13. Θ is a derivation i.e., $\Theta(ST) = \Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T)$ for all $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof. Observe that $q_n(S, T, iI, \dots, iI) = 2^{n-1} i^{n-1} (ST - T^*S)$ for any $S, T \in \mathcal{M}$ and using Lemmas 2.9 - 2.11, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{n-1} i^{n-1} \Theta(ST - T^*S) &= \Theta(q_n(S, T, iI, \dots, iI)) \\ &= q_n(\Theta(S), T, iI, \dots, iI) + q_n(S, \Theta(T), iI, \dots, iI) \\ &= 2^{n-1} i^{n-1} (\Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T) - \Theta(T)^*S - T^*\Theta(S)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Theta(ST - T^*S) = \Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T) - \Theta(T)^*S - T^*\Theta(S). \quad (3)$$

Equation (3) implies that,

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(ST + T^*S) &= \Theta((-iS)(iT) - (iT)^*(-iS)) \\ &= \Theta(-iS)(iT) + (-iS)\Theta(iT) - \Theta(iT)^*(-iS) - (iT)^*\Theta(-iS). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\Theta(ST + T^*S) = \Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T) + \Theta(T)^*S + T^*\Theta(S) \quad (4)$$

On combining (3) and (4), we get

$$\Theta(ST) = \Theta(S)T + S\Theta(T).$$

\square

3. Applications

As an applications, corollaries given below arise directly from Theorem 2.1:

Corollary 3.1. Consider \mathcal{N} to be a standard operator algebra (SOA) on an infinite dimensional (ID) complex Hilbert space (CHS) \mathcal{H} that contain identity operator \mathfrak{I} . Further, assume \mathcal{N} is closed with respect to adjoint operation. Map Θ from \mathcal{N} to \mathcal{N} is defined in such a way that

$$\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$$

for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$, then Θ is additive. Moreover, if $\Theta(iI)$ is self-adjoint, then Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. A prime algebra, denoted as \mathcal{N} , which is a conventional operator algebra, directly results from the Hahn-Banach theorem. As this algebra, \mathcal{N} inherently meets criteria as seen in equations (V) and (Δ). Therefore, we infer that the previously discussed map Ω is an additive $*$ -derivation, based on Theorem 2.1. \square

Corollary 3.2. Let \mathcal{N} is a factor von Neumann algebra (VNA) having $\dim \mathcal{N} \geq 2$. Defining a mapping Θ from \mathcal{N} to \mathcal{N} so that

$$\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$$

for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$, then Θ is additive. Moreover, if $\Theta(iI)$ is self-adjoint, then Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. Utilizing [24, Lemma 2.2], where it is demonstrated for any \mathcal{N} fulfilling criterion (V) and (Δ) is valid. Consequently, by invoking Theorem 2.1, it is deduced that the map Θ , previously mentioned, is additive $*$ -derivation in a framework to factor VNA. \square

A ring \mathcal{R} is called prime if $\mathcal{JK} \neq 0$ for any nonzero ideals $\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{R}$, and semiprime if it contains no nonzero ideal whose square is zero. In this situation, \mathcal{N} is called prime algebra.

Corollary 3.3. Suppose \mathcal{N} is a prime $*$ -algebra with unit say \mathfrak{I} that contains non trivial projection P . Now if Θ from \mathcal{N} to \mathcal{N} fulfills the condition

$$\Theta(q_n(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_n(S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, \Theta(S_i), S_{i+1}, \dots, S_n)$$

for all $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$, then Θ is additive. Moreover, if $\Theta(iI)$ is self-adjoint, then Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation.

Proof. It is straightforward that \mathcal{N} satisfies (V) and (Δ). Then from Theorem 2.1, Θ is an additive $*$ -derivation. \square

4. Open Problems

A natural direction for future research is to explore whether the key conclusions of our study (Theorems 2.1 and related Lemmas) extend to broader classes of algebraic structures, particularly non-associative algebras such as alternative algebras and W^* -algebras.

In the context of alternative rings, Ferreira and Ferreira established the following characterization of prime rings [6, Theorem 1.1]

Theorem 4.1. Let R be a 3-torsion-free alternative ring. Then R is a prime ring if and only if

$$aR.b = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad a.Rb = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0, \quad \forall a, b \in R.$$

It is well known that the 3-torsion-free condition is unnecessary in the case of associative rings. This raises an interesting open question:

Can the main results of our work be extended to non-associative settings, particularly to alternative algebras and other structured algebras, without additional torsion-free assumptions?

Investigating this problem could lead to new insights into the structural properties of non-associative algebras and their prime ideals, potentially uncovering deeper connections between associative and non-associative algebraic systems.

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