

## STUDY OF MULTIPLICATIVE $b$ -GENERALIZED DERIVATION AND ITS ADDITIVITY

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ABSTRACT. Our intention in this paper is to prove the following. Let  $\mathfrak{R}$  be a ring with an idempotent element  $(0, 1 \neq)e$  and  $f$  be a multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation on  $\mathfrak{R}$ . Then we show that  $f$  is additive by imposing certain conditions on the ring  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

### 1. Notations and Introduction

Many results on derivations of rings have been obtained in recent years. The derivation of ring  $\mathfrak{R}$ , we means an additive map  $d : \mathfrak{R} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  such that  $\forall x, y \in \mathfrak{R}, d(xy) = d(x)y + xd(y)$ . If  $d$  is non-additive, then it is said to be multiplicative derivation of  $\mathfrak{R}$ . In 1969, Martindale [4] gave a remarkable result. He demonstrated that under the existence of a family of idempotent object in  $\mathfrak{R}$  that satisfy certain conditions, every anti-automorphism and multiplicative isomorphism on  $\mathfrak{R}$  is additive. Martindale's work influenced Daif and he expanded his findings upon multiplicative derivation and raised the question: when is multiplicative derivation is additive? In 1991, Daif [1] answered the question raised by him by using same Martindale's conditions. Further, Daif together with Tammam-El-Sayiad [2] extended his result and proved that multiplicative generalized derivation is additive under some restriction impose on ring  $\mathfrak{R}$ . Motivated by the above result we proved that multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation is additive after imposing some conditions on the ring  $\mathfrak{R}$ , where multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation of a

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ring  $\mathfrak{R}$  to be a mapping  $f$  of  $\mathfrak{R}$  into  $\mathfrak{R}$  associated with derivation (need not be additive)  $d$  such that  $f(xy) = f(x)y + bxd(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathfrak{R}$  and any fixed  $b \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Let  $e (\neq 0, 1) \in \mathfrak{R}$  be an idempotent element. We will formally set  $e_1 = e$  and  $e_2 = 1 - e$ , where  $e_1e_2 = e_2e_1 = 0$ . The two sided Peirce decomposition of  $\mathfrak{R}$  relative to the idempotent  $e$  takes the form  $\mathfrak{R} = e_1\mathfrak{R}e_1 \oplus e_1\mathfrak{R}e_2 \oplus e_2\mathfrak{R}e_1 \oplus e_2\mathfrak{R}e_2$ . So, letting  $\mathfrak{R}_{mn} = e_m\mathfrak{R}e_n$  for all  $m, n = 1, 2$ . We may write  $\mathfrak{R} = \mathfrak{R}_{11} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{12} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{21} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{22}$ . An element of the subring  $\mathfrak{R}_{mn}$  will be denoted by  $x_{mn}$ .

For defining the multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation we have to set  $b = b_{11} + b_{12} + 0_{21} + b_{22} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{12} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{21} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{22} = \mathfrak{R}$  for all  $b_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ . Since, from the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation we have,  $f(0) = f(00) = f(0)0 + b0d(0) = 0 + 0 = 0$ , i.e.,  $f(0) = 0$  and also by using similar step we get  $d(0) = 0$ . Moreover,  $d(e) = d(ee) = d(e)e + ed(e)$ , let us assume that  $d(e) = d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{21} + d_{22}$  for all  $d_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ , then from previous equation we obtain  $d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{21} + d_{22} = (d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{21} + d_{22})e + e(d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{21} + d_{22})$ . On simplifying these we get  $d_{11} = d_{22}$ , since, we know that  $\mathfrak{R}_{11} \cap \mathfrak{R}_{22} = (0)$  (Since  $\mathfrak{R}$  is direct sum of  $\mathfrak{R}_{11}, \mathfrak{R}_{12}, \mathfrak{R}_{21}, \mathfrak{R}_{22}$ ) then we have  $d_{11} \cap d_{22} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} \cap \mathfrak{R}_{22} = (0)$  which implies that  $d_{11} = d_{22} = 0$ . Putting these value in  $d(e)$ , it becomes  $d(e) = d_{12} + d_{21}$ . By using similar calculation we find that  $f(e) = f_{11} + f_{21} + b_{11}d_{12}$  for all  $f_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{I}$  be the inner derivation of  $\mathfrak{R}$  determined by the element  $c = d_{12} - d_{21}$ , that is  $\mathfrak{I}_{d_{12}-d_{21}}(x) = [x, d_{12} - d_{21}]$ . The value of  $\mathfrak{I}_{d_{12}-d_{21}}(e) = [e, d_{12} - d_{21}] = d_{12} + d_{21}$ . Now, we construct  $b$ -generalized inner derivation determine by the element  $a = f_{11} + f_{21}$  and  $c = d_{12} - d_{21}$  defined as  $g(x) = ax + bxc$ , where  $b = b_{11} + b_{12} + 0_{21} + b_{22}$ . We can easily see that  $g$  is a  $b$ -generalized derivation associated with inner derivation  $\mathfrak{I}$  generated by element  $c = d_{12} - d_{21}$ . In the sequel, we will replace without loss of generality, the map  $d$  by the map  $\mathfrak{D} = d - \mathfrak{I}$  (need not be additive) and the map  $f$  by the map  $\mathfrak{F} = f - g$  (need not be additive). We can easily verified that  $\mathfrak{D}$  is a multiplicative derivation and  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation where,  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = (d - \mathfrak{I})(e) = 0$  and similarly, we get  $\mathfrak{F}(e) = 0$ .

In this manuscript, we have consider  $\mathfrak{F}$  as a multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation associated with multiplicative derivation  $\mathfrak{D}$ , which is defined above. Motivated by the result of Daif and Tammam-El-Sayiad [2] we showed that multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation is additive by choosing  $b = b_{11} + b_{12} + 0_{21} + b_{22} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{12} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{21} \oplus \mathfrak{R}_{22} = \mathfrak{R}$

and imposing certain conditions on the ring  $\mathfrak{R}$ , these conditions are as follows:

- (i)  $x\mathfrak{R}e = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  (and hence  $x\mathfrak{R} = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ )
- (ii)  $e\mathfrak{R}x = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  (and hence  $\mathfrak{R}x = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ )
- (iii)  $xe\mathfrak{R}(1 - e) = 0$  implies  $xe = 0$ .

Before proving our main theorem, first we would like to prove some lemmas which will be used extensively throughout this paper.

## 2. Results

**Lemma 2.1.** (i)  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{1n}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ ; for  $n = \{1, 2\}$

(ii)  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{21}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}$

(iii)  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}$

(iv)  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{22}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{22} + \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ .

Moreover,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})$ , for every  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ .

*Proof.* (i) As we know that, we have taken  $b = b_{11} + b_{12} + 0_{21} + b_{22}$ . Now, for every  $x_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  and for all  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we have  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(ex_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(e)x_{1n} + be\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n})$ . Since, we know that  $\mathfrak{F}(e) = 0$  and  $\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  [1, Lemma 1], we assume  $\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n}) = d_{1n}$ . Substituting all these values in previous relation and putting the value of  $b$ , we get

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n}) = (b_{11} + b_{12} + 0_{21} + b_{22})ed_{1n}, \text{ for all } d_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}. \quad (2.1)$$

On solving above relation, we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n}) = b_{11}d_{1n}$ , which belongs to  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ , i.e.,  $b_{11}d_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ , for all  $x_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ . So, we get  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{1n}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ .

Now, we show that  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ . For  $n = \{1, 2\}$  and for all  $x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ , we have

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(e(x_{1n} + y_{1n})) = \mathfrak{F}(e)(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) + be\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) \quad (2.2)$$

for all  $x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{D}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  [1, Lemma 3,4] and  $\mathfrak{F}(e) = 0$ , above relation yields

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = be\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n}) + be\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}), \text{ for all } x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = 0 + be\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n}) + 0 + be\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}) \quad (2.4)$$

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(e)x_{1n} + be\mathfrak{D}(x_{1n}) + \mathfrak{F}(e)y_{1n} + be\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}) \quad (2.5)$$

for all  $x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ . Using the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.5), arrives at

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(ex_{1n}) + \mathfrak{F}(ey_{1n}), \text{ for all } x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}. \quad (2.6)$$

Above relation can be re-written as

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{1n} + y_{1n}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{1n}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{1n}), \text{ for all } x_{1n}, y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}. \quad (2.7)$$

This implies that  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ , for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ .

Next, we show that  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})$  for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Let  $y_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  and for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we see that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11})y_{1n} + 0, \text{ for all } x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}, x_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}. \quad (2.8)$$

Using the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.8), we find that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}y_{1n}) - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}) \quad (2.9)$$

for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}, x_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . This implies that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}y_{1n} + x_{12}y_{1n}) - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}) \quad (2.10)$$

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{12})y_{1n}) - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}). \quad (2.11)$$

Again, using the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in last relation, we get

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12})y_{1n} + b(x_{11} + x_{12})\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}) - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(y_{1n}). \quad (2.12)$$

On simplifying above relation, it yields that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})]y_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12})y_{1n}. \quad (2.13)$$

That is

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12})]y_{1n} = 0. \quad (2.14)$$

For all  $y_{2n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  and for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , by using similar calculation, we conclude that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12})]y_{2n} = 0. \quad (2.15)$$

From (2.14) and (2.15), we obtain

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12})]\mathfrak{R} = (0). \quad (2.16)$$

By using condition (i), we have  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12}) = 0$ , which implies  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{12})$  for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}, x_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ , part (i) is done.

(ii) For all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ , let us suppose that  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) = f_{11} + f_{12} + f_{21} + f_{22}$  for all  $f_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) = \mathfrak{F}((x_{21})e) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})e + bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(e), \text{ for all } x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}. \quad (2.17)$$

Using the value of  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) = f_{11} + f_{12} + f_{21} + f_{22}$  and  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = 0$  in (2.17), we get

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) = f_{11} + f_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}, \text{ for all } x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}. \quad (2.18)$$

Since  $x_{21}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{21}$ , therefore, we get  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{21}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ , we are done.

(iii) Let  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . Assume that  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$  for all  $r_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) &= \mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21})e) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})e \\ &+ b(x_{11} + x_{21})\mathfrak{D}(e), \text{ for all } x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} \text{ and } x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

Using the value of  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})$  and  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = 0$  in (2.19), we get

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} \quad (2.20)$$

for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . Since,  $x_{11}$  and  $x_{21}$  is an arbitrary elements of  $\mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_{21}$ , therefore, we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ .

(iv) Let  $x_{22} \in \mathfrak{R}_{22}$ , let us assume  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{22}) = g_{11} + g_{12} + g_{21} + g_{22}$  for all  $g_{ij} \in \mathfrak{R}_{ij}$ , where  $i, j = \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$0 = \mathfrak{F}(x_{22}e) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{22})e + bx_{22}\mathfrak{D}(e), \text{ for all } x_{22} \in \mathfrak{R}_{22}. \quad (2.21)$$

Using the value of  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{22})$  and  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = 0$  in (2.21), we have  $0 = g_{11} + g_{21}$ . Putting these value in  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{22})$ , we arrive at  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{22}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{12} + \mathfrak{R}_{22}$ . We get the result.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.**  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})$  for all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ ,  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $t_{1n} \in R_{1n}$  where  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})t_{1n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})t_{1n} \quad (2.22)$$

for all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ ,  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Since,  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12}) \in \mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{12}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{12}$  by Lemma 2.1(i), we get  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})t_{1n} = 0$ . Using these value and the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.22), we obtain

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}t_{1n}) - bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}). \quad (2.23)$$

Which implies that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}((x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})t_{1n}) - bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}) \quad (2.24)$$

for all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ ,  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Using definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in the last relation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})]t_{1n} &= \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})t_{1n} + b(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}) \\ &- bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}), \text{ for all } x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}, x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} \text{ and } z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

On simplifying, we find that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})t_{1n} \quad (2.26)$$

for all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}, x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Since,  $t_{1n}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$ , for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , then (2.26) reduces to

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R}_{1n} = (0). \quad (2.27)$$

Now, for any  $t_{2n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  and for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , from the similar calculation as done above and by using Lemma 2.1(ii), we arrive at

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R}_{2n} = (0). \quad (2.28)$$

From (2.27) and (2.28), we obtain

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R} = (0) \quad (2.29)$$

for all  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}, x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Using condition (i) in (2.29), we get  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + x_{11}z_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})$ . Thus, we are done.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.**  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})$  for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $t_{1n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ , we have  $z_{12}t_{1n} = 0$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we get

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]z_{12}t_{1n} = 0. \quad (2.30)$$

Since,  $t_{1n}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , above relation reduces to

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]z_{12}\mathfrak{R}_{1n} = (0). \quad (2.31)$$

Now, for any  $t_{2n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we obtain

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n}) - b(x_{11} + x_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \quad (2.32)$$

Above relation can be re-written as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}((x_{11}z_{12} + x_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n})) \\ &\quad - b(x_{11} + x_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \end{aligned} \quad (2.33)$$

Using the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.33), it yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12} + x_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) \\ &\quad + b(x_{11}z_{12} + x_{21})\mathfrak{D}(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) - b(x_{11} + x_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \end{aligned} \quad (2.34)$$

Using [1, Lemma 2] in (2.34) and after simplifying, we find that

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12} + x_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(z_{12})t_{2n}. \quad (2.35)$$

Using Lemma 2.2 in (2.35) and solving it, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}z_{12})z_{12}t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})t_{2n} \\ &\quad + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} - bx_{11}\mathfrak{D}(z_{12})t_{2n}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.36)$$

Using (i) and (ii) of Lemma 2.1 in (2.36), we get

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11})z_{12}t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n}. \quad (2.37)$$

So, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]z_{12}t_{2n} = 0. \quad (2.38)$$

Since,  $t_{2n}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ . So, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]z_{12}\mathfrak{R}_{2n} = (0). \quad (2.39)$$

By (2.31) and (2.39), we found that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]z_{12}\mathfrak{R} = (0). \quad (2.40)$$

Using condition (i) in the above relation for all  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ , we get  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]\mathfrak{R}_{12} = (0)$ , i.e.,  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]e\mathfrak{R}(1 - e) = (0)$ . By condition (iii), we have  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})]e = 0$  which implies that  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21})e - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11})e - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})e = 0$ . From the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation and using the fact that  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = 0$ , we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21})e) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}e) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}e) = 0$ . Hence, we get the required equation  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})$  for all  $x_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.**  $\mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})$  for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $t_{1n} \in R_{1n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})t_{1n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})t_{1n} \quad (2.41)$$

for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Since,  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12}) \in \mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{R}_{22}) \subset \mathfrak{R}_{12} + \mathfrak{R}_{22}$ , by Lemma 2.1(iv), we get  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})t_{1n} = 0$ . Using these value and the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.41), we obtain

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21}t_{1n}) - by_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}). \quad (2.42)$$

Which implies that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}((y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})t_{1n}) - by_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}) \quad (2.43)$$

for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Using definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in the last relation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})]t_{1n} &= \mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})t_{1n} + b(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}) \\ &\quad - by_{21}\mathfrak{D}(t_{1n}), \text{ for all } x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21} \text{ and } z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.44)$$

On simplifying, we find that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})]t_{1n} = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})t_{1n} \quad (2.45)$$

for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Since,  $t_{1n}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{1n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , (2.45) reduces to

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R}_{1n} = (0). \quad (2.46)$$

Now, for any  $t_{2n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , from the similar calculation as done above and by using Lemma 2.1(ii), we arrive at

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R}_{2n} = (0). \quad (2.47)$$

From (2.46) and (2.47), we obtain

$$[\mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12})]\mathfrak{R} = (0) \quad (2.48)$$

for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$  and  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$ . Using condition (i) in (2.48), we get  $\mathfrak{F}(y_{21} + x_{21}z_{12}) = \mathfrak{F}(y_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})$ . Thus, we are done.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.5.**  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{21}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ ,  $z_{12} \in \mathfrak{R}_{12}$  and  $t_{2n} \in \mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ , then we obtain

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}((x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n}) - b(x_{21} + y_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \quad (2.49)$$

Above relation can be re-written as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}((x_{21}z_{12} + y_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n})) \\ &\quad - b(x_{21} + y_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \end{aligned} \quad (2.50)$$

Using the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.50), it yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12} + y_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) \\ &\quad + b(x_{21}z_{12} + y_{21})\mathfrak{D}(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) - b(x_{21} + y_{21})\mathfrak{D}(z_{12}t_{2n}). \end{aligned} \quad (2.51)$$

Using [1, Lemma 2] in (2.51) and after simplifying, we find that

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12} + y_{21})(t_{2n} + z_{12}t_{2n}) - bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(z_{12})t_{2n}. \quad (2.52)$$

Using Lemma 2.4 in (2.52) and after solving it, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} &= \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}z_{12})z_{12}t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})t_{2n} \\ &\quad + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} - bx_{21}\mathfrak{D}(z_{12})t_{2n}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.53)$$

Using (ii) and (iv) of Lemma 2.1 in (2.53), we get

$$\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})z_{12}t_{2n} + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})z_{12}t_{2n}. \quad (2.54)$$

So, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]z_{12}t_{2n} = 0. \quad (2.55)$$



Since,  $z_{12}$  and  $t_{2n}$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{12}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_{2n}$  for  $n = \{1, 2\}$ . So, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]\mathfrak{R}_{12}\mathfrak{R}_{2n} = (0). \quad (2.56)$$

Also, it is clear that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]\mathfrak{R}_{12}\mathfrak{R}_{1n} = (0). \quad (2.57)$$

By (2.56) and (2.57), we found that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]\mathfrak{R}_{12}\mathfrak{R} = (0). \quad (2.58)$$

Using condition (i) in the above relation, we get  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]\mathfrak{R}_{12} = (0)$ , i.e.,  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]e\mathfrak{R}(1 - e) = (0)$ . By condition (iii), we have  $[\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})]e = 0$  which implies that  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21})e - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})e - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})e = 0$ . From the definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation and using the fact that  $\mathfrak{D}(e) = 0$ , we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}((x_{21} + y_{21})e) - \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}e) - \mathfrak{F}(y_{21}e) = 0$ . Hence, we get the required equation  $\mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})$  for all  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.**  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ .

*Proof.* Consider an arbitrary elements  $x_{11}, y_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . We have  $x_{11} + x_{21}, y_{11} + y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ , we get

$$\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21}) + (y_{11} + y_{21})) = \mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + y_{11}) + (x_{21} + y_{21})). \quad (2.59)$$

Since, we know that  $x_{11} + y_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21} + y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . By using Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21}) + (y_{11} + y_{21})) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + y_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21} + y_{21}). \quad (2.60)$$

By Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.5,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . So, above equation reduces to

$$\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21}) + (y_{11} + y_{21})) = (\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{11})) + (\mathfrak{F}(x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})). \quad (2.61)$$

Above relation can be re-written as

$$\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21}) + (y_{11} + y_{21})) = (\mathfrak{F}(x_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(x_{21})) + (\mathfrak{F}(y_{11}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{21})). \quad (2.62)$$

Using Lemma 2.3 in (2.62), we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}((x_{11} + x_{21}) + (y_{11} + y_{21})) = \mathfrak{F}(x_{11} + x_{21}) + \mathfrak{F}(y_{11} + y_{21})$  for all  $x_{11}, y_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}_{11}$  and  $x_{21}, y_{21} \in \mathfrak{R}_{21}$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is additive on  $\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ , we are done.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $\mathfrak{R}$  be a ring with an idempotent  $e$  and  $1 - e$ , which satisfies the following conditions;

- (i)  $x\mathfrak{R}e = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  (and hence  $x\mathfrak{R} = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ )
- (ii)  $e\mathfrak{R}x = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  (and hence  $\mathfrak{R}x = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ )
- (iii)  $xe\mathfrak{R}(1 - e) = 0$  implies  $xe = 0$ .

If  $f$  is any multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation of  $\mathfrak{R}$  associated with derivation  $d$  of  $\mathfrak{R}$ , then  $f$  is additive.

*Proof.* As we have defined earlier, we will replace, without loss of generality, the derivation  $d$  by the derivation  $\mathfrak{D}$  and the multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation  $f$  by the multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Let  $u$  and  $v$  be any elements of  $\mathfrak{R}$ . Then we consider  $\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)$ . Take an element  $k \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ . Thus, we observed that  $uk$  and  $vk$  are also elements of  $\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ . So, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)]k = \mathfrak{F}(u)k + \mathfrak{F}(v)k. \quad (2.63)$$

Using definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.63), we get

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)]k = \mathfrak{F}(uk) - bu\mathfrak{D}(k) + \mathfrak{F}(vk) - bv\mathfrak{D}(k). \quad (2.64)$$

As we know that  $uk, vk \in \mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ , by Lemma 2.6, we find that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)]k = \mathfrak{F}(uk + vk) - b(u + v)\mathfrak{D}(k). \quad (2.65)$$

That is

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)]k = \mathfrak{F}((u + v)k) - b(u + v)\mathfrak{D}(k). \quad (2.66)$$

Using definition of multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation in (2.66), we see that

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)]k = \mathfrak{F}(u + v)k + b(u + v)\mathfrak{D}(k) - b(u + v)\mathfrak{D}(k). \quad (2.67)$$

Thus, we have

$$[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v) - \mathfrak{F}(u + v)]k = 0. \quad (2.68)$$

Since,  $k$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{R}_{11} + \mathfrak{R}_{21} = \mathfrak{R}e$ . Equation (2.68), reduces to  $[\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v) - \mathfrak{F}(u + v)]\mathfrak{R}e = (0)$ . By condition (i), we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v) - \mathfrak{F}(u + v) = 0$ . Which implies that  $\mathfrak{F}(u + v) = \mathfrak{F}(u) + \mathfrak{F}(v)$  for all  $u, v \in \mathfrak{R}$ .

This shows that the multiplicative  $b$ -generalized derivation  $\mathfrak{F}$ , and also  $f$ , is additive.  $\square$

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