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# Multiplicative Generalized Reverse \*CE-Derivations Acting on Rings with Involution

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Let  $S$  be a ring with involution having a nontrivial symmetric idempotent element  $e$ . If  $\Omega$  is any appropriate multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation of  $S$  with involution  $*$ , then under some suitable restrictions on  $S$ ,  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive.

## 1. Introduction

In [1], Bell and Daif introduced the notion of centrally-extended derivations as follows. Let  $S$  be a ring with center  $Z(S)$ , a map  $\delta$  of  $S$  is called a centrally-extended derivation (CE-derivation) if for each  $r, s \in S$ ,  $\delta(r+s) - \delta(r) - \delta(s) \in Z(S)$  and  $\delta(rs) - \delta(r)s - r\delta(s) \in Z(S)$ . They discussed the existence of such map which is not a derivation and gave some commutativity results. In [2], the authors generalized this notion to other kinds of maps and extended some results due to Bell and Daif. Recently, in [3], the authors gave the notion of Jordan CE-derivations and, under some conditions, they proved that every Jordan CE-derivation of a prime ring  $S$  is a CE-derivation.

Martindale [4] has asked the following question: When is a multiplicative mapping additive? He answered his question for a multiplicative isomorphism of a ring  $S$ . In [5], Daif has given an answer to that question when the mapping is a multiplicative derivation on  $S$ . Also, in [6–8], a generalization of this question can be found for the case of multiplicative generalized derivations, multiplicative generalized reverse \*– derivations, and multiplicative left centralizers.

In this article, we generalized the idea of Martindale [4] and Daif [5] for the notion of the multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this note, we introduce the notion of the multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation of a ring  $S$  with involution  $*$  to be a mapping  $\omega$  of  $S$  into  $S$  such that  $\omega(rs) - \omega(s)r^* - s^*\delta(r) \in Z(S)$ , for all  $r, s \in S$ , where  $\delta$  is a reverse \*CE-derivation from  $S$  into  $S$ ; i.e., for all  $r, s \in S$ ,  $\delta(r+s) - \delta(r) - \delta(s) \in Z(S)$  and  $\delta(rs) - \delta(s)r^* - s^*\delta(r) \in Z(S)$ . In other words, we can write the maps  $\omega$  and  $\delta$  by  $\omega(rs) = \omega(s)r^* + s^*\delta(r) + \phi(r, s)$  and  $\delta(rs) = \delta(s)r^* + s^*\delta(r) + \psi(r, s)$ , where  $\phi(r, s)$  and  $\psi(r, s)$  are central elements depend on the choice of  $r$  and  $s$  and related to the mappings  $\omega$  and  $\delta$ , respectively.

Here, we ask the following question: When is a multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation a \*CE-additive? Under suitable conditions, we give an answer for this question.

As in [9], let  $e \in S$  be a nontrivial symmetric idempotent element so that  $e \neq 1$ ,  $e \neq 0$ , and  $e^* = e$  ( $S$  need not have an identity). We will formally set  $e_1 = e$  and  $e_2 = 1 - e$ . The two-sided Peirce decomposition of  $S$  relative to the idempotents  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  takes the form  $S = e_1Se_1 \oplus e_1Se_2 \oplus e_2Se_1 \oplus e_2Se_2$ . So letting  $S_{ij} = e_iSe_j$ ;  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , we may write  $S = S_{11} \oplus S_{12} \oplus S_{21} \oplus S_{22}$ . An element of the subring  $S_{ij}$  will be denoted by  $s_{ij}$ . If  $\mu = \mu_{11} + \mu_{12} + \mu_{21} + \mu_{22} \in Z(S)$ , since  $e_1\mu = \mu e_1$ , then

$\mu_{12} = \mu_{21} = 0$ , so we conclude that  $Z(S) \subset S_{11} \oplus S_{22}$ . Also, we formally use the symbol  $Z_{ii}$  for referring to the subring  $S_{ii} \cap Z(S)$ .

By the definition of  $\delta$ , we note that  $\delta(0) = \psi(0, 0) \in Z(S)$ . However, since  $*$  is bijection and, for all  $x \in S$ ,  $\delta(0) = \delta(0x^*) = x^{**}\delta(0) + z_1 = x\delta(0) + z_1 \in Z(S)$ . So that  $S\delta(0) = \delta(0)S = \delta(0)S^* = S^*\delta(0) \subset Z(S)$ . Then, we have  $\delta(0)S^* = \delta(0)S = \{\delta(0)s^* : s^* \in S^*\}$ , which is a two sided central ideal in  $S$ . Since  $e\delta(0) \in Z(S)$ , if  $\psi(0, 0) = \psi_{11}(0, 0) + \psi_{22}(0, 0)$ , then  $e\delta(0) = \psi_{11}(0, 0) \in Z_{11}$  and this gives also  $\psi_{22}(0, 0) \in Z_{22}$ . Similarly,  $\omega(0)S^*$  is a two sided central ideal in  $S$  and  $\phi_{11}(0, 0) \in Z_{11}$  and  $\phi_{22}(0, 0) \in Z_{22}$ .

Moreover,  
 $\delta(e) = \delta(e^2) = \delta(e)e^* + e^*\delta(e) + \pi$ , for  $\pi = \psi(e, e) \in Z(S)$ .  
 If we express  $\delta(e) = a_{11} + a_{12} + a_{21} + a_{22}$  and use the two expressions of  $\delta(e)$ , we get  $a_{22} = \pi_{22}$  and  $a_{11} = -\pi_{11}$ .  
 Consequently, we have the following equation:

$$\delta(e) = a_{12} + a_{21} - \pi_{11} + \pi_{22}. \tag{1}$$

By the same manner, if  $\omega: S \rightarrow S$  is a multiplicative generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation associated with a reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\delta$ , then  $\omega(e) = \omega(e^2) = \omega(e)e^* + e^*\omega(e) + \xi$ , where  $\xi = \phi(e, e) \in Z(S)$  and we can write  $\omega(e) = b_{11} + b_{12} + b_{21} + b_{22}$ , and using the values of  $\omega(e)$  and  $\delta(e)$ . we conclude that  $\xi_{11} = \pi_{11}$ ,  $b_{22} = \xi_{22}$  and  $b_{12} = a_{12}$  so,

$$\omega(e) = b_{11} + a_{12} + b_{21} + \xi_{22}. \tag{2}$$

In our work we will need the following facts.

**Proposition 1** [7]. Let  $s \in S$  ( $s_{ij} \in S_{ij}$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ ). Then,  $s_{ij}^* = r_{ji}$ , where  $r = s^* \in S$ . Moreover,  $s_{ij} = r_{ji}^*$ .

**Lemma 2.**  $\xi_{ii} \in Z_{ii}$  and  $\pi_{ii} \in Z_{ii}$ , where  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

*Proof.* For any element  $s \in S$ , by expanding both sides of  $\omega(es) = \omega(e(es))$ , we get the following equation:

$$s^*\delta(e) + \phi(e, s) = s^*\delta(e)e + s^*e\delta(e) + \phi(e, s)e + \phi(e, es). \tag{3}$$

Now using equation (1) in equation (3), we get  $\pi s^* = \phi(e, s)e + \phi(e, es) - \phi(e, s)$  and since  $\phi(e, s), \phi(e, es) \in Z(S) \subset S_{11} \oplus S_{22}$ , this means

$$\pi s^* \in S_{11} \oplus S_{22}. \tag{4}$$

Now, Since  $*$  is bijection, there exist  $r \in S$  such that  $r = s^*$ , so we can rewrite  $s^* = r = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$  and using that  $\pi \in Z(S)$ , we get  $\pi_{11}r_{11} = r_{11}\pi_{11}$  and  $\pi_{22}r_{22} = r_{22}\pi_{22}$  which implies  $\pi_{11} \in Z(S_{11})$  and  $\pi_{22} \in Z(S_{22})$ . And again equation (4) gives  $\pi_{11}r_{12} + \pi_{22}r_{21} = 0$  and  $r_{12}\pi_{22} + r_{21}\pi_{11} = 0$ , which gives  $\pi_{11}r_{12} = \pi_{22}r_{21} = 0$  and  $r_{12}\pi_{22} = r_{21}\pi_{11} = 0$ , this means that  $\pi$  is a left and right annihilator of the two subrings  $S_{12}$  and  $S_{21}$ . Now, for any  $r \in S$ ,  $\pi_{11}r = \pi_{11}r_{11} = r_{11}\pi_{11} = r\pi_{11}$ , which gives  $\pi_{11} \in Z(S)$ . Since  $\pi_{22} = \pi - \pi_{11}$ , then  $\pi_{22} \in Z(S)$ . Also, since  $\xi_{11} = \pi_{11}$ , we get  $\xi_{11} \in Z(S)$  and  $\xi_{22} = (\xi - \xi_{11}) \in Z(S)$ .

To achieve our main result, we assume that the ring  $S$  endowed with an involution  $*$  contains a nontrivial symmetric idempotent  $e$  and satisfies the following conditions:

(C<sub>1</sub>)  $tSe \subset Z(S)$  implies  $t \in Z(S)$ . And  $tS \subset Z(S)$  implies  $t \in Z(S)$ .

(C<sub>2</sub>)  $teS(1 - e) \subset Z(S)$  implies  $t \in Z(S)$ .

And  $\omega$  is any multiplicative generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation of  $S$  associated with a reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\delta$  of  $S$ .

The following lemma is fruitful in our proofs: □

**Lemma 3.** The ideals  $S^*\xi$ ,  $S^*\xi_{ii}$ ,  $S^*\pi$ ,  $S^*\pi_{ii}$ , and  $S^*\bar{\pi}$  are central ideals in  $S$ , where  $\psi = \phi(e, e) \in Z(S)$ ,  $\pi = \psi(e, e) \in Z(S)$ ,  $\bar{\pi} = \pi_{22} - \pi_{11} \in Z(S)$ , and  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

*Proof.* First, using Lemma 2, for any  $s_{11}^* \in S_{11}$ , we get  $\xi s_{11}^* s_{12} = s_{11}^* \xi s_{12} = 0 \in Z(S)$  and using condition (C<sub>2</sub>), we get  $s_{11}^* \xi \in Z(S)$ . Secondly, assume that  $\delta(s_{22}) = c_{11} + c_{12} + c_{21} + c_{22}$  and since  $\omega(s_{22}e) = \omega(0) \in Z(S)$ , so using equation (2), we have  $\omega(0) = \omega(e)s_{22}^* + e\delta(s_{22}) + \phi(s_{22}, e) = a_{12}s_{22}^* + \xi_{22}s_{22}^* + c_{11} + c_{12} + \phi(s_{22}, e)$  and this gives  $a_{12}s_{22}^* + c_{12} = 0$  and  $\xi_{22}s_{22}^* = \beta - c_{11}$ , where  $\beta = (\omega(0) - \phi(s_{22}, e)) \in Z(S)$ . Now, using Lemma 2, for any  $r \in S$ , we get  $\xi_{22}s_{22}^*r = s_{22}^*\xi_{22}r_{22} = \xi_{22}s_{22}^*r_{22} = (\beta - c_{11})r_{22} = \beta r_{22} = r_{22}\beta = r_{22}(\beta - c_{11}) = r_{22}\xi_{22}s_{22}^* = r\xi_{22}s_{22}^* = rs_{22}^*\xi_{22}$  and this gives  $s_{22}^*\xi_{22} \in Z(S)$ . Also, if  $s, r \in S$ , then  $rs^*\xi = r(s_{11}^*\xi + s_{22}^*\xi) = rs_{11}^*\xi + rs_{22}^*\xi = s_{11}^*\xi r + s_{22}^*\xi r = (s_{11}^* + s_{22}^*)\xi r = s^*\xi r$ . By a similar method one can prove the other cases. □

**Remark 4.** An example of a reverse  $*$ CE-derivation, if  $a$  is any fixed element in  $S$ , the map  $\delta_a: S \rightarrow S$  which satisfies  $\delta_a(r) - [r^*, a] \in K$  where  $K$  is a central ideal, we can call it an inner reverse  $*$ CE-derivation. Now, using Lemma 3 we can show that the map  $\delta_1$  given by  $\delta_1(s) = [s^*, a_{12} - a_{21}] + \bar{\pi}$  is a reverse  $*$ CE-derivation and with equation (1), we get the following equation:

$$\delta_1(e) = a_{12} + a_{21} + \bar{\pi} = \delta(e). \tag{5}$$

**Remark 5.** An example of a generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation is if  $a$  and  $b$  are any two fixed elements in  $S$ , the map  $\omega_{(a,b)}: S \rightarrow S$  which satisfies  $\omega_{(a,b)}(r) - ar^* - r^*b \in L$ , where  $L$  is a central ideal, we can call it an inner generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation associated with the inner reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\delta_b$  which is given by  $\delta_b - [s^*, b] \in L$ .

Again, using Lemma 3, we can show that the map  $\omega_1$  given by  $\omega_1(s) = (b_{11} + b_{21} - \xi_{11})s^* + s^*(a_{12} - a_{21}) + \xi$  is a generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation associated with the inner reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\delta_1$  and with equation (2) we get the following equation:

$$\omega_1(e) = b_{11} + b_{21} + a_{12} + \xi_{22} = \omega(e). \tag{6}$$

**Remark 6.** For simplification, we will replace, without loss of generality, the reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\delta$  by the reverse  $*$ CE-

derivation  $\Delta = \delta - \delta_1$  which by using equation (5) bring us to  $\Delta(e) = 0$  and the multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation  $\omega$  by the multiplicative generalized reverse \*CE-derivation  $\Omega = \omega - \omega_1$  with  $\Omega(e) = 0$  by equation (6). Also,  $\Delta(0) = \delta(0) - \delta_1(0) = \delta(0) - \bar{\pi} = \theta \in Z(S)$  and  $\Omega(0) = \omega(0) - \omega_1(0) = \omega(0) - \xi = \alpha \in Z(S)$ . One can easily show that both of  $\theta$  and  $\alpha$  generates a two sided central ideal in  $S$ .

To prove our main theorem we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 7.** For any element  $s_{ij} \in S_{ij}$ , there exists  $r_{ji} \in S_{ji}$  and  $\rho_{ii}, \sigma_{ii} \in Z_{ii}$ ;  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  such that

- (1)  $\Delta(s_{ii}) = r_{ii} + \rho_{jj}, \quad i \neq j,$
- (2)  $\Delta(s_{ij}) = r_{ji} + \rho_{ii} + \sigma_{jj}, \quad i \neq j.$

*Proof.* For (1), we have to prove two separable cases:

- (a) Let  $s_{11}$  be an arbitrary element of  $S_{11}$  and let  $\Delta(s_{11}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$ . Then,  $\Delta(s_{11}) = \Delta(es_{11}) = \Delta(s_{11})e + s_{11}^*\Delta(e) + \rho$ ;  $\rho \in Z(S)$ , which gives  $r_{12} = 0, \rho_{11} = 0$  and  $r_{22} = \rho_{22} \in Z_{22}$ , so we get  $\Delta(s_{11}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \rho_{22}$ . Similarly,  $\Delta(s_{11}) = \Delta(s_{11}e) = \Delta(e)s_{11}^* + e\Delta(s_{11}) + \gamma$ ;  $\gamma \in Z(S)$  which means  $r_{21} = 0$  and we get  $\Delta(s_{11}) = r_{11} + \rho_{22}$ .
- (b) Assume that  $s_{22} \in S_{22}$ , write  $\Delta(s_{22}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$  so  $\theta = \Delta(es_{22}) = \Delta(s_{22})e + s_{22}^*\Delta(e) + \gamma_1 = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma_1$ ;  $\gamma_1 \in Z(S)$ , so  $r_{11} + r_{21} = \theta - \gamma_1 \in Z(S)$  which means  $r_{21} = 0$  and  $r_{11} \in Z_{11}$ . Likewise,  $\theta = \Delta(s_{22}e) = r_{11} + r_{12} + \gamma_2$ ;  $\gamma_2 \in Z(S)$ , so  $r_{11} + r_{12} = \theta - \gamma_2 \in Z(S)$ , so that  $r_{12} = 0$  and thus  $\Delta(s_{22}) = r_{11} + r_{22}$ , where  $r_{11} \in Z_{11}$ .

Also, For (2), we have to prove two separable cases:

- (a) Assume that  $\Delta(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$ , so that  $\Delta(s_{12})e = r_{11} + r_{21}$ . Also, we have  $\Delta(s_{12}) = \Delta(es_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \sigma$ ;  $\sigma \in Z(S)$  which gives  $\Delta(s_{12})e = r_{11} + r_{21} + \sigma_{11}$ . Comparing between the two values of  $\Delta(s_{12})e$ , we get  $\sigma_{11} = 0$  and having  $\sigma = \sigma_{22} \in Z_{22}$  and we get  $\Delta(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \sigma_{22}$ . Now,  $\theta = \Delta(s_{12}e) = e\Delta(s_{12}) + \mu$ ;  $\mu \in Z(S)$ , hence  $e\Delta(s_{12}) = (\theta - \mu) = \eta \in Z(S)$  and this gives  $e\Delta(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{12} = \eta \in Z(S)$  which means  $r_{12} = 0$  and  $r_{11} = \eta_{11} \in Z_{11}$ . So, we arrive to  $\Delta(s_{12}) = r_{21} + \eta_{11} + \sigma_{22}$ .
- (b) Assume that  $\Delta(s_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$ , so that  $e\Delta(s_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{12}$ . Also, we have  $\Delta(s_{21}) = \Delta(s_{21}e) = r_{11} + r_{12} + \kappa$ ;  $\kappa \in Z(S)$ , which gives  $e\Delta(s_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + \kappa_{11}$ . Comparing the two expressions of  $e\Delta(s_{21})$ , we get  $\kappa_{11} = 0, \kappa = \kappa_{22} \in Z_{22}$  and we get  $\Delta(s_{21}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + \kappa_{22}$ . Now,  $\theta = \Delta(es_{21}) = \Delta(s_{21})e + \nu$ ;  $\nu \in Z(S)$ , hence  $\Delta(s_{21})e = (\theta - \nu) = \zeta \in Z(S)$  which means  $r_{11} = \zeta_{11} \in Z_{11}$  and we have  $\Delta(s_{21}) = r_{12} + \zeta_{11} + \kappa_{22}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 8.** For any element  $s_{11} \in S_{11}$ , we have  $\Omega(s_{11}) = r_{11} + \varphi_{22}$  for some  $r_{11} \in S_{11}$  and  $\varphi_{22} \in Z_{22}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\Omega(rs) = \Omega(s)r^* + s^*\Delta(r) + \gamma$ , for every  $r, s \in S$  and  $\gamma \in Z(S)$  it follows that for every  $s_{11} \in S_{11}$ , we have  $\Omega(s_{11}) = \Omega(s_{11}e) = e\Delta(s_{11}) + \gamma_1$ ;  $\gamma_1 \in Z(S)$  because  $\Omega(e) = 0$  and by Lemma 7  $\Delta(S_{11}) \subset S_{11} + Z(S)$  and  $Z(S) \subset S_{11} + S_{22}$ , so we have that  $\Omega|_{S_{11}} \subset S_{11} + Z(S)$ . Now, assume that  $\Omega(s_{11}) = a_{11} + \varphi, \varphi \in Z(S)$ , then  $\Omega(s_{11}) = \Omega(es_{11}) = \Omega(s_{11})e + \gamma_2, \gamma_2 \in Z(S)$  which gives  $\Omega(s_{11}) - \Omega(s_{11})e = a_{11} + \varphi - a_{11} - \varphi_{11} \in Z(S)$ . We conclude that  $\varphi_{22} \in Z_{22}$  and  $\Omega(s_{11}) = a_{11} + \varphi = a_{11} + \varphi_{11} + \varphi_{22} = r_{11} + \varphi_{22}$  with  $r_{11} = a_{11} + \varphi_{11} \in S_{11}$  and  $\varphi_{22} \in Z_{22}$  as required.  $\square$

**Lemma 9.** For any  $s_{12} \in S_{12}, \Omega(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma_{22}$  for some  $r_{11} \in S_{11}, r_{21} \in S_{21}$  and  $\gamma_{22} \in Z_{22}$ .

*Proof.* If  $s_{12} \in S_{12}$  with  $\Omega(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$ , then  $\Omega(s_{12}) = \Omega(es_{12}) = \Omega(s_{12})e + \gamma$ ;  $\gamma \in Z(S)$ , so  $\Omega(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma$  for some  $\gamma \in Z(S)$ . Also,  $e\Omega(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{12} = r_{11} + \gamma_{11}$  which gives  $\gamma_{11} = 0$  and  $\gamma = \gamma_{22} \in Z(S)$ , hence  $\Omega(s_{12}) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma_{22}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 10.** For any  $s_{21} \in S_{21}$ , we have  $\Omega(s_{21}) = r_{12} + \chi_{11} + \mu_{22}$ , for some  $r_{12} \in S_{12}, \chi_{11} \in Z_{11}$  and  $\mu_{22} \in Z_{22}$ .

*Proof.* For  $s_{21} \in S_{21}$ , using Lemma 7, we have  $\Omega(s_{21}) = \Omega(s_{21}e) = e\Delta(s_{21}) + \mu = r_{12} + \kappa_{11} + \mu$ ;  $r_{12} \in S_{12}, \kappa_{11} \in Z_{11}$  and  $\mu \in Z(S)$ . Also, we have  $\Omega(0) = \Omega(es_{21}) = \Omega(s_{21})e + \zeta = \kappa_{11} + \mu_{11} + \zeta$ ;  $\zeta \in Z(S)$ , which gives  $\mu_{11} \in Z_{11}$ , and hence  $\mu_{22} = \mu - \mu_{11} \in Z_{22}$ . So, we arrive to  $\Omega(s_{21}) = r_{12} + \chi_{11} + \mu_{22}$ , where  $\chi_{11} = \kappa_{11} + \mu_{11} \in Z_{11}$  which is required.  $\square$

**Lemma 11.** For any element  $t \in (S_{11} + S_{12}), \Omega(t) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma_{22}$ , for some  $r_{11} \in S_{11}, r_{21} \in S_{21}$ , and  $\gamma_{22} \in Z_{22}$ .

*Proof.* Assuming that  $t \in (S_{11} + S_{12})$  and  $\Omega(t) = r_{11} + r_{12} + r_{21} + r_{22}$ , then  $\Omega(t) = \Omega(s_{11} + s_{12}) = \Omega[e(s_{11} + s_{12})] = \Omega(s_{11} + s_{12})e + \gamma = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma$ ;  $\gamma \in Z(S)$ . This gives  $r_{12} = 0, \gamma_{11} = 0$ , and  $\gamma_{22} = \gamma \in Z(S)$ , and hence  $\Omega(t) = r_{11} + r_{21} + \gamma_{22}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 12.**  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive on  $S_{11}$ .

*Proof.* Assuming that  $r_{11}$  and  $s_{11} \in S_{11}$ , then  $\Omega(r_{11} + s_{11}) = \Omega((r_{11} + s_{11})e) = e\Delta(r_{11} + s_{11}) + \gamma_1 = \Delta[(r_{11} + s_{11})e] - \Delta(e)(r_{11} + s_{11})^* + \gamma_2 = \Delta(r_{11} + s_{11}) + \gamma_2 = \Delta(r_{11}) + \Delta(s_{11}) + \gamma_3 = e\Delta(r_{11}) + e\Delta(s_{11}) + \gamma_4 = \Omega(r_{11}e) + \Omega(s_{11}e) + \gamma_5 = \Omega(r_{11}) + \Omega(s_{11}) + \gamma_5$ ; where  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4$  and  $\gamma_5 \in Z(S)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 13.**  $\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{21}) \in Z(S)$  for all  $r_{12} \in S_{12}$  and  $r_{21} \in S_{21}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $r_{12} \in S_{12}, r_{21} \in S_{21}$  and  $u_{1n} \in S_{1n}$ , where  $n \in \{1, 2\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(r_{21}))u_{1n} &= \Omega(r_{12})u_{1n} + \Omega(r_{21})u_{1n} = \Omega(r_{12})v_{n1}^* + \Omega(r_{21})v_{n1}^* \\
 &= \Omega(v_{n1}r_{12}) - r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) + \Omega(v_{n1}r_{21}) - r_{21}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) + \gamma_1 \\
 &= \Omega(v_{n1}(r_{12} + r_{21})) - r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) - r_{21}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) + \gamma_2 \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12} + r_{21})v_{n1}^* + (r_{12} + r_{21})^*\Delta(v_{n1}) - r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) - r_{21}^*\Delta(v_{n1}) + \gamma_3 \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12} + r_{21})u_{1n} + \gamma_3; \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \in Z(S).
 \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Which implies  $(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(r_{21}))u_{1n} \in Z(S)$ , that is,

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(r_{21}))S_{1n} \subset Z(S), \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{8}$$

In a similar way, we obtained the following equation:

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{21}))S_{2n} \subset Z(S), \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{9}$$

Combining equations (8) and (9), we obtained  $(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{21}))S \subset Z(S)$ . By hypothesis  $(C_1)$ , we have  $\Omega(r_{12} + r_{21}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{21}) \in Z(S)$ .  $\square$

*Proof.* Let  $r_{11} \in S_{11}, r_{12} \in S_{12}, t_{12} \in S_{12}$  and  $u_{1n} \in S_{1n}$ , where  $n \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then, we have  $(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12}))t_{12}u_{1n} \in Z(S)$ . Which implies

**Lemma 14.**  $\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12}) \in Z(S)$  for all  $r_{11} \in S_{11}$  and  $r_{12} \in S_{12}$ .

$$(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12}))t_{12}S_{1n} \subset Z(S), \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{10}$$

For any  $u_{2n} \in S_{2n}; n \in \{1, 2\}$ , using Lemmas 7 and 13, we find the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(r_{11} + r_{12})t_{12}u_{2n} &= \Omega(r_{11} + r_{12})w_{21}^*v_{n2}^* = \Omega(r_{11} + r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21})^* \\
 &= \Omega((v_{n2}w_{21})(r_{11} + r_{12})) - (r_{11} + r_{12})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \nu_1 \\
 &= \Omega((v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})(w_{21}r_{11} + r_{12})) - (r_{11} + r_{12})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \nu_1 \\
 &= \Omega(w_{21}r_{11} + r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + (w_{21}r_{11} + r_{12})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2}) \\
 &\quad - (r_{11} + r_{12})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \nu_2 \\
 &= \Omega(w_{21}r_{11} + r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + (w_{21}r_{11})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) \\
 &\quad + (w_{21}r_{11})^*\Delta(v_{n2}) + r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n2}) - r_{11}^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) - r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \nu_3 \\
 &= \Omega(w_{21}r_{11} + r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + (w_{21}r_{11})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + r_{12}^*\Delta(v_{n2}) \\
 &\quad - r_{11}^*\Delta(w_{21})v_{n2}^* + \nu_4 \\
 &= \Omega(w_{21}r_{11})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + \Omega(r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + (w_{21}r_{11})^*\Delta(v_{n2}w_{21})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + r_{12}^* \Delta(v_{n2}) - r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \gamma_5 \\
= & \Omega(w_{21} r_{11}) (v_{n2} w_{21})^* + \Omega(w_{21} r_{11}) v_{n2}^* + \Omega(r_{12}) (v_{n2} w_{21})^* + \Omega(r_{12}) v_{n2}^* \\
& + (w_{21} r_{11})^* \Delta(v_{n2} w_{21}) + r_{12}^* \Delta(v_{n2}) - r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \gamma_6 \\
= & \Omega(v_{n2} w_{21}) (w_{21} r_{11}) + \Omega(w_{21} r_{11}) v_{n2}^* + \Omega(r_{12}) (v_{n2} w_{21})^* + \Omega(v_{n2} r_{12}) \\
& - r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \gamma_7 \\
= & \Omega(0) + \Omega(w_{21} r_{11}) v_{n2}^* + \Omega(r_{12}) (v_{n2} w_{21})^* + \Omega(0) - r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \gamma_7 \\
= & \Omega(r_{11}) w_{21}^* v_{n2}^* + r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \Omega(r_{12}) w_{21}^* v_{n2}^* - r_{11}^* \Delta(w_{21}) v_{n2}^* + \gamma_8 \\
= & (\Omega(r_{11}) + \Omega(r_{12})) t_{12} u_{2n} + \gamma_8; \gamma_i \in Z(S), i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 8\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Which implies that

$$(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12})) t_{12} S_{2n} \subset Z(S), \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{12}$$

Combining equations (10) and (12), we obtained the following equation:

$$(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12})) t_{12} S \subset Z(S). \tag{13}$$

Applying (C<sub>1</sub>), we get  $(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12})) S_{12} \subset Z(S)$ . Applying (C<sub>2</sub>), we get  $(\Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{11}) - \Omega(r_{12})) \in Z(S)$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Lemma 15.**  $\Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{22}) \in Z(S)$ , for all  $r_{12} \in S_{12}, r_{22} \in S_{22}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $r_{12} \in S_{12}, r_{22} \in S_{22}$  and  $u_{1n} \in S_{1n}$ , where  $n \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then, we have the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
(\Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(r_{22})) u_{1n} & = \Omega(r_{12}) u_{1n} + \Omega(r_{22}) u_{1n} = \Omega(r_{12}) v_{n1}^* + \Omega(r_{22}) v_{n1}^* \\
& = \Omega(v_{n1} r_{12}) - r_{12}^* \Delta(v_{n1}) + \Omega(v_{n1} r_{22}) - r_{22}^* \Delta(v_{n1}) + \mu_1 \\
& = \Omega(v_{n1} (r_{12} + r_{22})) - (r_{12}^* + r_{22}^*) \Delta(v_{n1}) + \mu_2 \\
& = \Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) v_{n1}^* + (r_{12} + r_{22})^* \Delta(v_{n1}) \\
-(r_{12}^* + r_{22}^*) \Delta(v_{n1}) + \mu_3 & = \Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) u_{1n} + \mu_3,
\end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

where  $\mu_i \in Z(S), i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Which implies that

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{22})) S_{1n} \subset Z(S) \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{15}$$

Analogously, we obtained the following equation:

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{22})) S_{2n} \subset Z(S) \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{16}$$

Combining equations (15) and (16), we obtained  $(\Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{22}))S \subset Z(S)$ . In view of  $(C_1)$ , we get  $\Omega(r_{12} + r_{22}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(r_{22}) \in Z(S)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 16.**  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive on  $S_{12}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(r_{12} + s_{12})t_{12}u_{2n} &= \Omega(r_{12} + s_{12})w_{21}^*v_{n2}^* \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12} + s_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21})^* \\
 &= \Omega((v_{n2}w_{21})(r_{12} + s_{12})) - (r_{12} + s_{12})^* \Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \mu_1 \\
 &= \Omega((v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})(r_{12} + w_{21}s_{12})) - (r_{12} + s_{12})^* \Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \mu_1 \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12} + w_{21}s_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2})^* + (r_{12} + w_{21}s_{12})^* \Delta(v_{n2}w_{21} + v_{n2}) \\
 &\quad - (r_{12} + s_{12})^* \Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) + \mu_2 \tag{17} \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21})^* + \Omega(w_{21}s_{12})v_{n2}^* + (w_{21}s_{12})^* \Delta(v_{n2}) - s_{12}^* \Delta(v_{n2}w_{21}) \\
 &\quad + \mu_3; \text{ (by Lemma 2.15)} \\
 &= \Omega(r_{12})(v_{n2}w_{21})^* + \Omega(s_{12})w_{21}^*v_{n2}^* + \mu_4 \\
 &= (\Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(s_{12}))w_{21}^*v_{n2}^* + \mu_4 \\
 &= (\Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(s_{12}))t_{12}u_{2n} + \mu_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Which implies that

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(s_{12}))t_{12}S_{2n} \subset Z(S) \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{18}$$

And trivially, we have the following equation:

$$(\Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(s_{12}))t_{12}S_{1n} \subset Z(S) \text{ for all } n \in \{1, 2\}. \tag{19}$$

Combining equations (18) and (19), we find  $(\Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(s_{12}))t_{12}S \subset Z(S)$ . By  $(C_1)$ , we get  $(\Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(s_{12}))S_{12} \subset Z(S)$ . Applying  $(C_2)$ , we get  $(\Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) - \Omega(r_{12}) - \Omega(s_{12})) \in Z(S)$ , as desired.  $\square$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega((r_{11} + r_{12}) + (s_{11} + s_{12})) &= \Omega((r_{11} + s_{11}) + (r_{12} + s_{12})) \\
 &= \Omega(r_{11} + s_{11}) + \Omega(r_{12} + s_{12}) + \lambda_1 \\
 &= \Omega(r_{11}) + \Omega(s_{11}) + \Omega(r_{12}) + \Omega(s_{12}) + \lambda_2 \tag{20} \\
 &= (\Omega(r_{11}) + \Omega(r_{12})) + (\Omega(s_{11}) + \Omega(s_{12})) + \lambda_2 \\
 &= \Omega(r_{11} + r_{12}) + \Omega(s_{11} + s_{12}) + \lambda_3,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_i \in Z(S)$ ;  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Thus,  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive on  $S_{11} + S_{12}$ , as required.  $\square$

### 3. Main Result

Now, we are ready to prove our main theorem.

*Proof.* Let  $r_{12}, s_{12}, t_{12} \in S_{12}$  and  $u_{2n} \in S_{2n}$ , where  $n \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then, we have the following equation:

**Lemma 17.**  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive on  $S_{11} + S_{12} = eS$ .

*Proof.* Consider the arbitrary elements  $r_{11}, s_{11}$  in  $S_{11}$  and  $r_{12}, s_{12}$  in  $S_{12}$ . So Lemmas 14, 16, and 12 give the following equation:

**Theorem 18.** Let  $S$  be a ring endowed with an involution  $*$  containing a nontrivial symmetric idempotent  $e$  which satisfies conditions  $(C_1)$  and  $(C_2)$ . If  $\Omega$  is any multiplicative generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation of  $S$ , i.e.,  $\Omega(rs) = \Omega(s)r^* + s^* \Delta(r) + \rho$ , for all  $r, s \in S$  and  $\rho \in Z(S)$  which is associated with some reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\Delta$  of  $S$ , then  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive.

*Proof.* Let  $r$  and  $s$  be any elements of  $S$ . Consider  $\Omega(r) + \Omega(s)$ . Take an element  $k$  in  $Se = S_{11} + S_{21}$ . Thus,  $rk$  and  $sk$  are

elements of  $Se$ . According to Lemma 17, we can obtain the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega(r) + \Omega(s))k &= (\Omega(r) + \Omega(s))t^* = \Omega(tr) + \Omega(ts) - (r+s)^* \Delta(t) + \rho_1 \\ &= \Omega(tr + ts) - (r+s)^* \Delta(t) + \rho_2 = \Omega(t(r+s)) - (r+s)^* \Delta(t) + \rho_2 \\ &= \Omega(r+s)t^* + (r+s)^* \Delta(t) - (r+s)^* \Delta(t) + \rho_3 \\ &= \Omega(r+s)k + \rho_3, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

where  $\rho_i \in Z(S)$ ;  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Thus,  $\{\Omega(r+s) - \Omega(r) - \Omega(s)\}k \in Z(S)$ . Since  $k$  is an arbitrary element in  $Se$ , we obtain  $(\Omega(r) + \Omega(s) - \Omega(r+s))Se \subseteq Z(S)$ . By condition  $(C_1)$ , we get  $\Omega(r+s) - \Omega(r) - \Omega(s) \in Z(S)$ , which shows that the multiplicative generalized reverse  $*$ CE-derivation  $\Omega$  is centrally-extended additive.  $\square$

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## Conflicts of Interest

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