# QUADRATIC AND QUASI-QUADRATIC FUNCTIONALS 

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#### Abstract

In this note we show how Jordan *-derivations arise as a "measure" of the representability of quasi-quadratic functionals by sesquilinear ones. Our main result can be considered as an extension of the Jordan-von Neumann characterization of pre-Hilbert space.


## 1. Introduction

Let $M$ be a module over a $*$-ring $R$. A mapping $S: M \times M \rightarrow R$ is called a sesquilinear functional if it is linear in the first argument and antilinear in the second argument:
(1) $S(a x+b y, z)=a S(x, z)+b S(y, z), \quad x, y, z \in M, a, b \in R$,
(2) $S(x, a y+b z)=S(x, y) a^{*}+S(x, z) b^{*}, \quad x, y, z \in M, a, b \in R$.

In the special case when $R$ is a commutative ring with the trivial involution $a^{*}=a$, the relation (2) can be rewritten as $S(x, a y+b z)=a S(x, y)+$ $b S(x, z)$. In this case the mapping $S$ is called bilinear.

A quadratic functional $Q$ on $M$ is defined as the composition of some sesquilinear functional from $M \times M$ to $R$ with the diagonal injection of $M$ into $M \times M$; that is, $Q(x)=S(x, x)$, where $S$ is sesquilinear. There is something inappropriate about defining a quadratic functional which is a function of one variable in terms of a sesquilinear functional which involves two variables. This raises the question of what requirements can be imposed on a mapping from $M$ to $R$ to define the set of all quadratic functionals. The best-known identities satisfied by quadratic functionals are the parallelogram law

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q(x+y)+Q(x-y)=2 Q(x)+2 Q(y), \quad x, y \in M \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the homogeneity equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q(a x)=a Q(x) a^{*}, \quad x \in M, a \in R . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

A mapping $Q: M \rightarrow R$ satisfying these two identities is called a quasi-quadratic functional. In the special case that $R$ is a commutative ring with the trivial involution the relation (4) can be rewritten as $Q(a x)=a^{2} Q(x)$.

[^0]It seems natural to ask when quasi-quadratic functionals are in fact quadratic functionals. In other words, given a quasi-quadratic functional $Q$, does there exist a sesquilinear functional $S$ such that $Q(x)=S(x, x)$ ? In 1963, Halperin in his lectures on Hilbert spaces posed this problem for the special case that $M$ is a vector space over $\mathbb{F} \in\{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}\}$. Here, $\mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbb{C}$ denote the field of real numbers and the field of complex numbers respectively, while $\mathbb{H}$ denotes the skew-field of quaternions. In 1964, Kurepa [4] obtained the general form of quasi-quadratic functionals defined on a vector space over $\mathbb{R}$. In particular, he showed that there exist quasi-quadratic functionals which cannot be represented by bilinear functionals. In 1966, Gleason [2] generalized this result to vector spaces $V$, $\operatorname{dim} V \geq 2$, over an arbitrary field $F$, not of characteristic 2 , and with the trivial involution. He proved that all quasi-quadratic functionals on $V$ are quadratic if and only if all additive derivations on $F$ are zero. The same result holds for quasi-quadratic functionals defined on a module over a commutative ring $R$ with the trivial involution in which 2 is a unit. This result follows from [1, Theorem 3]. It should be mentioned that in this commutative case with the trivial involution the result of Jordan and von Neumann [3] implies that for each quasi-quadratic functional $Q$ the mapping $S$ defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
4 S(x, y)=Q(x+y)-Q(x-y) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

is symmetric and biadditive and $Q(x)=S(x, x)$ (see [2]). Thus, the abovementioned results imply that $S$ is homogeneous in both variables if and only if all additive derivations on $R$ are zero.

In 1965, Kurepa [5] gave a positive answer to Halperin's problem for quasiquadratic functionals defined on a vector space $V$ over $\mathbb{F} \in\{\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}\}$. In 1984, Vukman [9] posed the problem of representability of quasi-quadratic functionals by sesquilinear ones on modules over complex $*$-algebras. This problem was treated in [6-11]. The complete solution was given in [7]. It was proved that if $Q$ is a quasi-quadratic functional on a module over a complex $*$-algebra with an identity element, then the mapping $S$ defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
S(x, y)=\frac{1}{4}(Q(x+y)-Q(x-y))+\frac{i}{4}(Q(x+i y)-Q(x-i y)) \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

is the unique sesquilinear functional satisfying $Q(x)=S(x, x)$. This result is an extension of the Jordan-von Neumann theorem [3] which characterises pre-Hilbert space among all normed spaces.

A mapping $J$ defined on a $*$-ring $R$ is called a Jordan $*$-derivation if it is additive and satisfies

$$
\begin{equation*}
J\left(a^{2}\right)=a J(a)+J(a) a^{*} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

We shall denote by $\mathcal{J}$ the set of all Jordan $*$-derivations on $R$. Over a commutative ring with the trivial involution in which 2 is not a zero divisor, the set of all Jordan $*$-derivations is equal to the set of all additive derivations [1]. A mapping $J_{a}: R \rightarrow R, a \in R$, defined by $J_{a}(b)=b a-a b^{*}$ will be called an inner Jordan $*$-derivation. In [8] it was proved that the representability of quasi-quadratic functionals by sesquilinear functionals on modules over a real Banach $*$-algebra $A$ with an identity element depends on the existence of Jordan $*$-derivations on $A$ which are not inner. The proof of this result given in [8] uses the fact that Banach algebras have enough invertible elements. It is the purpose of this note to extend this result to quasi-quadratic functionals
defined on modules over arbitrary $*$-rings. In this general setting it is impossible to find a relation (similar to (5) in the commutative case) telling us how to recover from a quadratic functional $Q$ a sesquilinear functional $S$ satisfying $Q(x)=S(x, x)$.

## 2. Statement of the results

Main Theorem. Let $R$ be a *-ring with identity 1 such that 2 is a unit in R. Assume that for every Jordan *-derivation $J: R \rightarrow R$ there exists a unique $a \in R$ such that $J(b)=J_{a}(b)=b a-a b^{*}, b \in R$. Then every quasi-quadratic functional $Q$ defined on an arbitrary unitary $R$-module $M$ is a quadratic functional.

Note that the uniqueness of $a$ in the above theorem is equivalent to the statement that $b a-a b^{*}=0$ for all $b \in R$ implies $a=0$. For the proof of the Main Theorem we shall need the following simple lemma.
Lemma 1. Let $R$ be $a$ *-ring with identity 1 such that $b a-a b^{*}=0$ for all $b \in R$ implies $a=0$. If $e_{i}, i=1,2,3,4$, are elements from $R$ such that

$$
a e_{1} a^{*}+a e_{2} b^{*}+b e_{3} a^{*}+b e_{4} b^{*}=0
$$

for all $a, b \in R$ then $e_{i}=0, i=1,2,3,4$.
The next theorem shows that the existence of noninner Jordan *-derivations yields the existence of quasi-quadratic functionals that cannot be represented by sesquilinear ones.

Theorem 2. Let $R$ be a *-ring with identity 1 such that 2 is not a zero divisor. If $J: R \rightarrow R$ is a Jordan *-derivation then the mapping $Q: R \times R \rightarrow R$ given by $Q((a, b))=J(b a)-b J(a)-J(a) b^{*}$ is a quasi-quadratic functional. If $J$ is not inner then $Q$ is not a quadratic functional.

A ring $R$ is said to be a prime ring if $a R b=\{0\}$ implies $a=0$ or $b=0$. We shall prove that the mapping $F: R \rightarrow \mathcal{J}, F(a)=J_{a}$, is one-to-one if $R$ is a noncommutative prime ring. Thus, we shall prove the following result.
Corollary 3. Let $R$ be a noncommutative prime *-ring with identity 1 such that 2 is a unit in $R$. Then all Jordan $*$-derivations on $R$ are inner if and only if every quasi-quadratic functional $Q$ defined on an arbitrary unitary $R$-module $M$ is a quadratic functional.

Next, we shall show that all the assumptions of the Main Theorem are satisfied if $R$ is a complex *-algebra with an identity element. This together with the Main Theorem implies the following extension of the Jordan-von Neumann characterization of pre-Hilbert spaces (see [7]).
Corollary 4. Let $R$ be a complex *-algebra with identity 1 and let $M$ be a unitary $R$-module. Assume that $Q: M \rightarrow R$ is a quasi-quadratic functional. Under these conditions the mapping $S: M \times M \rightarrow R$ defined by the relation (6) is the unique sesquilinear functional satisfying $Q(x)=S(x, x)$.

We shall conclude by giving an example of a Jordan $*$-derivation which is not inner.

Example 5. There exists a Jordan $*$-derivation on a finite-dimensional noncommutative real $*$-algebra with an identity element which is not inner.

## 3. Proofs

Proof of Main Theorem. Let $Q$ be a quasi-quadratic functional defined on a unitary $R$-module $M$. We shall divide our proof into two steps. First, we shall prove that if the restriction of $Q$ to each submodule of $M$ generated by two elements is a quadratic functional, then $Q$ is a quadratic functional on $M$. Our second step will be to prove that under the assumptions of the Main Theorem every quasi-quadratic functional defined on an arbitrary unitary $R$-module $M$ generated by two elements is a quadratic functional.

Step 1. Assume that the restriction of $Q$ to each submodule of $M$ generated by two elements is a quadratic functional. Let us choose arbitrary elements $x, y \in M$. We denote by $M_{x, y}=\{a x+b y: a, b \in R\}$ the submodule of $M$ generated by $x$ and $y$. According to our assumption there exists a sesquilinear functional $S_{x, y}: M_{x, y} \times M_{x, y} \rightarrow R$ such that

$$
\begin{align*}
Q(a x+b y)= & S_{x, y}(a x+b y, a x+b y) \\
= & a S_{x, y}(x, x) a^{*}+a S_{x, y}(x, y) b^{*}  \tag{8}\\
& +b S_{x, y}(y, x) a^{*}+b S_{x, y}(y, y) b^{*}, \quad a, b \in R .
\end{align*}
$$

Let us define a functional $S: M \times M \rightarrow R$ by $S(x, y)=S_{x, y}(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in M$.

In order to see that the mapping $S$ is well defined we assume that there exists another sesquilinear functional $T_{x, y}: M_{x, y} \times M_{x, y} \rightarrow R$ satisfying

$$
\begin{aligned}
Q(a x+b y)= & T_{x, y}(a x+b y, a x+b y) \\
= & a T_{x, y}(x, x) a^{*}+a T_{x, y}(x, y) b^{*} \\
& +b T_{x, y}(y, x) a^{*}+b T_{x, y}(y, y) b^{*}, \quad a, b \in R .
\end{aligned}
$$

Comparing this with (8) and using Lemma 1 we get that $S_{x, y}(x, y)=$ $T_{x, y}(x, y)$. Thus, $S$ is well defined. Moreover, we have proved that

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{y, x}(x, y)=S_{x, y}(x, y) \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x, y \in M$. Let $x, y$, and $z$ be elements from $M$. Then we have $S_{x, y}(x, x)=Q(1 x+0 y)=Q(1 x+0 z)=S_{x, z}(x, x)$. In particular, we obtain $S_{x, x}(x, x)=S_{x, y}(x, x)$. This last relation implies together with (9) that (8) can be rewritten as

$$
\begin{align*}
& Q(a x+b y)=a S(x, x) a^{*}+a S(x, y) b^{*} \\
&+b S(y, x) a^{*}+b S(y, y) b^{*}, \quad a, b \in R \tag{10}
\end{align*}
$$

where $x, y$ are arbitrary elements from $M$. It follows that $Q(x)=S(x, x)$ is valid for all $x \in M$. In order to complete the first step of our proof we must show that $S$ is a sesquilinear functional.

For arbitrary $x, y \in M$ and $a, b, c, d \in R$ we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& c a S(x, x) a^{*} c^{*}+c a S(x, y) b^{*} d^{*}+d b S(y, x) a^{*} c^{*}+d b S(y, y) b^{*} d^{*} \\
&=Q(c a x+d b y)= c S(a x, a x) c^{*}+c S(a x, b y) d^{*} \\
&+d S(b y, a x) c^{*}+d S(b y, b y) d^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

Applying Lemma 1 we get $S(a x, b y)=a S(x, y) b^{*}$. It remains to prove that $S$ is biadditive. Define

$$
b_{1}=Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}+a_{2} x_{2}+a_{3} x_{3}\right), \quad b_{2}=Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}+a_{2} x_{2}-a_{3} x_{3}\right),
$$

and

$$
b_{3}=Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}-a_{2} x_{2}-a_{3} x_{3}\right) .
$$

The parallelogram law (3) gives us

$$
\begin{aligned}
b_{1}+b_{2} & =2 Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}+a_{2} x_{2}\right)+2 Q\left(a_{3} x_{3}\right), \\
-b_{2}-b_{3} & =-2 Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}-a_{3} x_{3}\right)-2 Q\left(a_{2} x_{2}\right), \\
b_{1}+b_{3} & =2 Q\left(a_{1} x_{1}\right)+2 Q\left(a_{2} x_{2}+a_{3} x_{3}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Solving this system of equations and using (10) we obtain

$$
b_{1}=\sum_{i, j=1}^{3} a_{i} S\left(x_{i}, x_{j}\right) a_{j}^{*}
$$

In particular, for arbitrary $x, y, z \in M$ and $a, b \in R$ we have the relation

$$
\begin{aligned}
Q(a x+a y+b z)= & a(S(x, x)+S(y, x)+S(x, y)+S(y, y)) a^{*} \\
& +a(S(x, z)+S(y, z)) b^{*} \\
& +b(S(z, x)+S(z, y)) a^{*}+b S(z, z) b^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

On the other hand, using (10) we get that

$$
\begin{aligned}
Q(a(x+y)+b z)= & a S(x+y, x+y) a^{*}+a S(x+y, z) b^{*} \\
& +b S(z, x+y) a^{*}+b S(z, z) b^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

Comparing the two expressions for $Q(a x+a y+b z)$ we obtain, using Lemma 1 , the biadditivity of $S$. Thus, under the assumptions of the Main Theorem, a quasi-quadratic functional $Q$ on $M$ is a quadratic functional if and only if its restriction to each submodule generated by two elements is a quadratic functional.

Step 2. Let $M=\{a x+b y: a, b \in R\}$ be a unitary $R$-module generated by $x$ and $y$. We have to prove that for a given quasi-quadratic functional $Q: M \rightarrow R$ there exists a sesquilinear functional $S$ from $M \times M$ to $R$ such that $Q(z)=S(z, z)$ for all $z \in M$.

Let us define a functional $D: R \times R \rightarrow R$ by

$$
\begin{equation*}
D(a, b)=Q(a x+b y)-a Q(x) a^{*}-b Q(y) b^{*}-2^{-1}\left(a f b^{*}+b f a^{*}\right) \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $f=Q(x+y)-Q(x)-Q(y)$. We shall first prove that $D$ is biadditive. Clearly, it is enough to prove that the functional $E$ given by $E(a, b)=$ $Q(a x+b y)-a Q(x) a^{*}-b Q(y) b^{*}$ is biadditive. Applying the parallelogram law (3) we get

$$
\begin{align*}
& 2 E(a, b)+2 E(c, b) \\
& \quad=2 Q(a x+b y)+2 Q(c x+b y)-2 Q(a x)-2 Q(c x)-4 Q(b y) \\
& \quad=Q((a+c) x+2 b y)+Q((a-c) x)-2 Q(a x)-2 Q(c x)-Q(2 b y)  \tag{12}\\
& \quad=Q((a+c) x+2 b y)-Q((a+c) x)-Q(2 b y)=E(a+c, 2 b)
\end{align*}
$$

Substituting $c=0$ and using the obvious relation $E(0, b)=0$ we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
2 E(a, b)=E(a, 2 b) \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

It follows from (12) and (13) that the mapping $E$ is additive in the first argument. The same must be true for the functional $D$. In the same way we prove that $D$ is additive in the second argument.

It is not difficult to verify that (4) and (11) imply

$$
D(a, a)=0, \quad a \in R
$$

and

$$
D(c a, c b)=c D(a, b) c^{*}, \quad a, b, c \in R
$$

Using these two relations and biadditivity of $D$ we shall prove that the mapping $J: R \rightarrow R$ given by $J(a)=D(a, 1)$ is a Jordan $*$-derivation satisfying

$$
\begin{equation*}
D(a, b)=J(a b)-a J(b)-J(b) a^{*}, \quad a, b \in R \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Clearly, $J$ is additive. For arbitrary $a, b, c, d \in R$ we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a D(b, c) a^{*}+D(d b, a c)+D(a b, d c)+d D(b, c) d^{*} \\
& \quad=D((a+d) b,(a+d) c)=(a+d) D(b, c)(a+d)^{*} \\
& \quad=a D(b, c) a^{*}+d D(b, c) a^{*}+a D(b, c) d^{*}+d D(b, c) d^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

which yields

$$
D(d b, a c)+D(a b, d c)=d D(b, c) a^{*}+a D(b, c) d^{*}
$$

Putting $c=d=1$ we get $D(b, a)+J(a b)=J(b) a^{*}+a J(b)$. As $D(a, a)=0$ implies $D(a, b)=-D(b, a)$, we have proved that (14) is valid. Replacing $a$ in this relation by $b a$ we see that

$$
b J(a) b^{*}=J(b a b)-b a J(b)-J(b) a^{*} b^{*}
$$

holds for all $a, b \in R$. Putting $a=1$ and using $J(1)=0$ we finally get $J\left(b^{2}\right)=b J(b)+J(b) b^{*}$ for all $b \in R$.

According to our assumptions, $J$ is an inner Jordan *-derivation. Thus, we can find an element $g \in R$ such that $J(a)=a g-g a^{*}$ is valid for all $a \in R$. It follows from (14) that

$$
D(a, b)=a g b^{*}-b g a^{*}, \quad a, b \in R
$$

Applying (11) one can easily see that

$$
Q(a x+b y)=a e_{11} a^{*}+a e_{12} b^{*}+b e_{21} a^{*}+b e_{22} b^{*}, \quad a, b \in R
$$

where $e_{11}=Q(x), e_{12}=g+2^{-1} f, e_{21}=2^{-1} f-g$, and $e_{22}=Q(y)$. We define $S: M \times M \rightarrow R$ by
$S(a x+b y, c x+d y)=a e_{11} c^{*}+a e_{12} d^{*}+b e_{21} c^{*}+b e_{22} d^{*}, \quad a, b, c, d \in R$.
In order to see that $S$ is well defined we choose $a_{1}, a_{2} \in R$ such that $a_{1} x+$ $a_{2} y=0$. For arbitrary elements $b_{1}, b_{2} \in R$ we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} b_{i} e_{i j} b_{j}^{*} & =Q\left(b_{1} x+b_{2} y\right)=Q\left(\left(a_{1}+b_{1}\right) x+\left(a_{2}+b_{2}\right) y\right) \\
& =\sum_{i, j=1}^{2}\left(a_{i}+b_{i}\right) e_{i j}\left(a_{j}^{*}+b_{j}^{*}\right) \\
& =\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} a_{i} e_{i j} a_{j}^{*}+\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} a_{i} e_{i j} b_{j}^{*}+\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} b_{i} e_{i j} a_{j}^{*}+\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} b_{i} e_{i j} b_{j}^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

It follows from $0=Q\left(a_{1} x+a_{2} y\right)=\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} a_{i} e_{i j} a_{j}^{*}$ that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} a_{i} e_{i j} b_{j}^{*}+\sum_{i, j=1}^{2} b_{i} e_{i j} a_{j}^{*}=0 \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Putting $b_{1}=1$ and $b_{2}=0$ we get $p+q=0$, where

$$
p=a_{1} e_{11}+a_{2} e_{21}, \quad q=e_{11} a_{1}^{*}+e_{12} a_{2}^{*}
$$

On the other hand, if we set in (15) $b_{1}=c$ and $b_{2}=0$, we obtain $p c^{*}+c q=0$. Together with $c q+c p=0$ this implies $c p-p c^{*}=0$ for all $c \in A$. It follows that $p=q=0$, or

$$
S\left(a_{1} x+a_{2} y, x\right)=0=S\left(x, a_{1} x+a_{2} y\right)
$$

In a similar way we get

$$
S\left(a_{1} x+a_{2} y, y\right)=0=S\left(y, a_{1} x+a_{2} y\right)
$$

Thus, $S$ is well defined. Clearly, it is a sesquilinear functional satisfying $Q(z)=$ $S(z, z)$ for all $z \in M$. This completes the proof.
Proof of Lemma 1. Putting $a=1$ and $b=0$ we get $e_{1}=0$. Similarly, we obtain $e_{4}=0$. Substituting $a=b=1$ we see that $e_{2}=-e_{3}$. Substituting once again $b=1$ we get that $a e_{2}-e_{2} a^{*}=0$ is valid for all $a \in R$. Thus, $e_{2}=e_{3}=0$. This completes the proof.
Proof of Theorem 2. It is easy to verify that $Q$ satisfies the parallelogram law (3). In order to see that also the homogeneity law (4) is fulfilled we must show that every Jordan $*$-derivation $J: R \rightarrow R$ satisfies

$$
\begin{equation*}
J(c b c a)=c b J(c a)+J(c a) b^{*} c^{*}+c J(b a) c^{*}-c b J(a) c^{*}-c J(a) b^{*} c^{*} \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $a, b, c \in R$. For this purpose first replace $a$ by $a+b$ in (7) to get

$$
\begin{equation*}
J(a b)+J(b a)=b J(a)+a J(b)+J(a) b^{*}+J(b) a^{*} \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $a, b \in R$. Consider now $d=J(a(a b+b a)+(a b+b a) a)$. Using (17) we see that

$$
\begin{aligned}
d= & a J(a b+b a)+(a b+b a) J(a)+J(a b+b a) a^{*}+J(a)\left(b^{*} a^{*}+a^{*} b^{*}\right) \\
= & 2 a b J(a)+a^{2} J(b)+a J(a) b^{*}+2 a J(b) a^{*}+b a J(a) \\
& +b J(a) a^{*}+2 J(a) b^{*} a^{*}+J(b) a^{* 2}+J(a) a^{*} b^{*} .
\end{aligned}
$$

On the other hand,

$$
\begin{aligned}
d & =2 J(a b a)+J\left(a^{2} b\right)+J\left(b a^{2}\right) \\
& =2 J(a b a)+b J\left(a^{2}\right)+a^{2} J(b)+J\left(a^{2}\right) b^{*}+J(b) a^{* 2} \\
& =2 J(a b a)+b a J(a)+b J(a) a^{*}+a^{2} J(b)+a J(a) b^{*}+J(a) a^{*} b^{*}+J(b) a^{* 2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Comparing the two expressions for $d$ we arrive at

$$
\begin{equation*}
J(a b a)=J(a) b^{*} a^{*}+a J(b) a^{*}+a b J(a), \quad a, b \in R \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Replacing $a$ in (18) by $a+c$ we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
J(a b c+c b a)= & J(a) b^{*} c^{*}+a J(b) c^{*}+a b J(c)+J(c) b^{*} a^{*}  \tag{19}\\
& +c J(b) a^{*}+c b J(a), \quad a, b, c \in R
\end{align*}
$$

Applying (18) and (19) we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
J(c b c a) & =J(c b(c a)+(c a) b c)-J(c(a b) c) \\
& =c b J(c a)+J(c a) b^{*} c^{*}+c\left(J(b) a^{*}+a J(b)-J(a b)\right) c^{*} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Applying (17) we get (16). Thus, we have proved that $Q$ is a quasi-quadratic functional.

Assume now that $J$ is not inner. If there is a sesquilinear functional $S$ which generates $Q$, then $S$ is of the form $S((a, b),(c, d))=a e d^{*}+b f c^{*}$ for some $e, f \in R$. The relation $Q((a, b))=S((a, b),(a, b))$ with $b=1$ gives us $J(a)=-a e-f a^{*}$. Since $J(1)=0$, we have $e=-f$, so that $J$ is an inner Jordan $*$-derivation. This contradiction completes the proof.

Proof of Corollary 3. Let us first assume that all Jordan *-derivations on $R$ are inner. We claim that $J_{a}=0, a \in R$, implies $a=0$. Indeed, for such an $a$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
b a=a b^{*} \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $b \in R$. Replacing $b$ by $b c$ and applying (20) two times we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
(b c-c b) a=0 \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting $c=d c$ in (21) we obtain $(b d c-d c b) a=0$, which can be rewritten as

$$
(b d-d b) c a+d(b c-c b) a=0
$$

where $b, c, d$ are arbitrary elements from $R$. The second term is zero by (21). As $R$ is noncommutative and prime, we have necessarily $a=0$. Using the Main Theorem one can complete the proof of the "if part". Theorem 2 shows that the converse is also true.

Proof of Corollary 4. Substituting $a=i a$ and $b=i$ in (17) we prove that every Jordan $*$-derivation on $R$ is inner. From $J_{a}(i)=2 i a$ it follows that $a \neq 0$ implies that $J_{a}$ is nonzero. Using the Main Theorem one can complete the proof.

Verification of Example 5 . Let $R$ be a real *-algebra consisting of elements $\lambda+u \mu$, where $\lambda$ and $\mu$ are complex numbers. We define the operations by $t(\lambda+u \mu)=t \lambda+u(t \mu)$ for real $t,\left(\lambda_{1}+\underline{u \mu_{1}}\right)+\left(\lambda_{2}+u \mu_{2}\right)=\left(\lambda_{1}+\lambda_{2}\right)+u\left(\mu_{1}+\mu_{2}\right)$, $\left(\lambda_{1}+u \mu_{1}\right)\left(\lambda_{2}+u \mu_{2}\right)=\lambda_{1} \lambda_{2}+u\left(\mu_{1} \lambda_{2}+\bar{\lambda}_{1} \mu_{2}\right)$ and the involution by $(\lambda+u \mu)^{*}=$ $\bar{\lambda}-u \mu$.

There exists a nontrivial and therefore discontinuous additive derivation on $\mathbb{R}$, that is, an additive function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $f(t s)=t f(s)+s f(t)$ for all pairs $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ (see [12]). Putting $D(s+i t)=f(s)-i f(t)$ we get a function $D: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which is additive and satisfies $D\left(\lambda^{2}\right)=2 \bar{\lambda} D(\lambda)$. It is not difficult to verify that the mapping $J: R \rightarrow R$ given by $J(\lambda+u \mu)=u D(\lambda)$ is a Jordan $*$-derivation. However, it is discontinuous and therefore noninner.

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