

## MAPS PRESERVING $n$ -TUPLE $A^*B - B^*A$ DERIVATIONS ON FACTOR VON NEUMANN ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a factor von Neumann algebra and  $\Phi$  preserve  $n$ -tuple new product derivations on  $\mathcal{A}$ , that is, for every  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \cdots \diamond A_n) &= \Phi(A_1) \diamond A_2 \diamond \cdots \diamond A_n + A_1 \diamond \Phi(A_2) \diamond \cdots \diamond A_n \\ &\quad + \cdots + A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \cdots \diamond \Phi(A_n) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_i \diamond A_j = A_i^* A_j - A_j^* A_i$  for  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\Phi$  is additive  $*$ -derivation, on the condition that  $\Phi(\alpha \frac{I}{2})$  is self-adjoint operator for  $\alpha \in \{1, i\}$ .

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a factor von Neumann algebras. For  $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$ , denoted by  $A \bullet B = AB + BA^*$  and  $[A, B]_* = AB - BA^*$ , which are  $*$ -Jordan product and  $*$ -Lie product, respectively. These products are found playing a more and more important role in some research topics, and its study has recently attracted many author's attention (for example, see [5, 10, 11, 16]).

Recall that a map  $\Phi: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is said to be an additive derivation if

$$\Phi(A + B) = \Phi(A) + \Phi(B) \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi(AB) = \Phi(A)B + A\Phi(B)$$

for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$ . A map  $\Phi$  is additive  $*$ -derivation if it is an additive derivation and  $\Phi(A^*) = \Phi(A)^*$ . Derivations are very important maps both in theory and applications, in particular to study the topological and fundamental structures of von Neumann algebras [4]. This notion has been studied intensively [3, 12–14].

Let us define  $\lambda$ -Jordan  $*$ -product by  $A \bullet_\lambda B = AB + \lambda BA^*$ . We say that the map  $\Phi$  with the property of  $\Phi(A \bullet_\lambda B) = \Phi(A) \bullet_\lambda B + A \bullet_\lambda \Phi(B)$  is a  $\lambda$ -Jordan  $*$ -derivation map. It is clear that for  $\lambda = -1$  and  $\lambda = 1$ , the  $\lambda$ -Jordan  $*$ -derivation map is a  $*$ -Lie derivation and  $*$ -Jordan derivation, respectively [1].

A von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is a self-adjoint subalgebra of some  $B(H)$ , the algebra of bounded linear operators acting on a complex Hilbert space, which satisfies

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the double commutant property:  $\mathcal{A}'' = \mathcal{A}$  where  $\mathcal{A}' = \{T \in B(H), TA = AT, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}\}$  and  $\mathcal{A}'' = \{\mathcal{A}'\}'$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{A}' \cap \mathcal{A}$  the center of  $\mathcal{A}$ . A von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a factor if its center is trivial, that is,  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathbb{C}I$  [7, 8].

Recently, Yu and Zhang in [17] proved that every non-linear  $*$ -Lie derivation from a factor von Neumann algebra into itself is an additive  $*$ -derivation. Also, Li, Lu and Fang in [9] have investigated a non-linear  $\lambda$ -Jordan  $*$ -derivation. They showed that if  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is a von Neumann algebra without central abelian projections and  $\lambda$  is a non-zero scalar, then  $\Phi: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is a non-linear  $\lambda$ -Jordan  $*$ -derivation if and only if  $\Phi$  is an additive  $*$ -derivation.

Very recently the authors of [2] discussed some bijective maps preserving the new product  $A^*B + B^*A$  between von Neumann algebras with no central abelian projections. In other words,  $\Phi$  holds in the following condition

$$\Phi(A^*B + B^*A) = \Phi(A)^*\Phi(B) + \Phi(B)^*\Phi(A).$$

They showed that such a map is a sum of a linear  $*$ -isomorphism and a conjugate linear  $*$ -isomorphism. In [15], the authors have discussed such maps between unital prime  $*$ -algebras which preserve the new triple product.

In [18] the authors considered nonlinear  $*$ -Lie higher derivations on factor von Neumann algebras acting on a complex Hilbert space  $H$  with  $\dim H \geq 2$ .

Also, the authors of [6] obtained the following result: Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be two factor von Neumann algebras with  $I_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $I_{\mathcal{B}}$  the identities of them, respectively. Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_1 \bullet A_2 \bullet \dots \bullet A_n$  is the Jordan multiple  $*$ -product in any fixed operation order. Then a not necessarily linear bijective mapping  $\Phi: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfies

$$\Phi(A_1 \bullet A_2 \bullet \dots \bullet A_n) = \Phi(A_1) \bullet \Phi(A_2) \bullet \dots \bullet \Phi(A_n)$$

if and only if  $\Phi$  is a  $*$ -ring isomorphism.

In this paper motivated by the above results, we consider a map (not necessarily linear)  $\Phi$  on factor von Neumann algebras  $\mathcal{A}$  which meets the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond A_n) &= \Phi(A_1) \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond A_n + A_1 \diamond \Phi(A_2) \diamond \dots \diamond A_n \\ &\quad + \dots + A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(A_n) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_i \diamond A_j = A_i^*A_j - A_j^*A_i$  for  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ . We prove that  $\Phi$  is additive  $*$ -derivation. The results of this essay will be applied to study general structures of von Neumann algebras which are related to non-linear derivatives.

When we say that  $\mathcal{A}$  is prime, that is, for  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  if  $A\mathcal{A}B = \{0\}$ , then  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ .

## 2. Main result

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a factor von Neumann algebras. Let  $\Phi: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfies in*

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond A_n) &= \Phi(A_1) \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond A_n + A_1 \diamond \Phi(A_2) \diamond \dots \diamond A_n \\ &\quad + \dots + A_1 \diamond A_2 \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(A_n), \quad n \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

*for all  $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  where  $A_i \diamond A_j = A_i^*A_j - A_j^*A_i$  for  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\Phi$  is additive  $*$ -derivation.*

PROOF. Let  $P_1$  be a nontrivial projection in  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $P_2 = I_{\mathcal{A}} - P_1$ . Denote  $\mathcal{A}_{ij} = P_i \mathcal{A} P_j$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$ , then  $\mathcal{A} = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \mathcal{A}_{ij}$ . For every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  we can write  $A = A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}$ . In all that follow, when we write  $A_{ij}$ , it indicates that  $A_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$ . For showing additivity of  $\Phi$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , we use above partition of  $\mathcal{A}$  and give some claims that prove  $\Phi$  is additive on each  $\mathcal{A}_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$ .

We prove the above theorem by several claims.

CLAIM 2.1. We show that  $\Phi(0) = 0$ .

This claim is easy to prove.

CLAIM 2.2. We show that  $\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0$ ,  $\Phi\left(-\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0$  and  $\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0$ .

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) &= \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} + i\frac{I}{2} \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\ &\quad + \dots + i\frac{I}{2} \diamond i\frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

an elementary computation shows that two cases appear depending on  $n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) &= \frac{1}{2}\left(\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) + (n-1)\frac{i}{2}\left(\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right), \quad n \text{ odd}, \\ \Phi\left(-i\frac{I}{2}\right) &= -\frac{1}{2}\left(\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) - (n-1)\frac{i}{2}\left(\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right), \quad n \text{ even} \end{aligned}$$

which imply that

$$\begin{aligned} (2.1) \quad &\frac{1}{2}\left(-\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) + (n-1)\frac{i}{2}\left(\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) = 0, \quad n \text{ odd}, \\ &\Phi\left(-i\frac{I}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) + (n-1)\frac{i}{2}\left(\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) = 0. \quad n \text{ even} \end{aligned}$$

By taking adjoint from both side of (2.1), for odd numbers case, we obtain

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{1}{2}\left(-\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)^* - \Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2}\right)\right) - (n-1)\frac{i}{2}\left(\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*\right) = 0$$

Hence (2.1) and (2.2), for odd case, give us  $\Phi\left(\frac{iI}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{iI}{2}\right)^* = 0$ . Since  $\Phi\left(\frac{iI}{2}\right)$  is self-adjoint,  $\Phi\left(\frac{iI}{2}\right) = 0$ . By re-applying (2.2) it results that  $\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^* = 0$ . So  $\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0$ , because  $\Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right)^*$  is self-adjoint. Similarly we can show that  $\Phi\left(-i\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0$ . Set zero valued in extension of  $\Phi\left(i\frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right)$  for even case, we have

$$\Phi\left(-i\frac{I}{2}\right) = 0.$$

As well as, the self-adjoint assumption clarify that  $\Phi\left(-i\frac{I}{2}\right)^* = 0$ .

CLAIM 2.3. For each  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , we have

$$(1) \quad \Phi(-iA) = -i\Phi(A). \quad (2) \quad \Phi(iA) = i\Phi(A).$$

It is straightforward to see that

$$\Phi\left(-iA \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) = \Phi\left(A \diamond i\frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right).$$

So,

$$\Phi(-iA) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} = \Phi(A) \diamond i \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}.$$

It follows that

$$(2.3) \quad -\Phi(-iA)^* + \Phi(-iA) = -i\Phi(A)^* - i\Phi(A).$$

On the other hand, one can check that

$$\Phi\left(-iA \diamond i \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) = \Phi\left(A \diamond -\frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right).$$

So,

$$\Phi(-iA) \diamond i \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} = \Phi(A) \diamond -\frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}.$$

It follows that  $-i\Phi(-iA)^* - i\Phi(-iA) = \Phi(A)^* - \Phi(A)$ .

Equivalently, we obtain

$$(2.4) \quad -\Phi(-iA)^* + \Phi(-iA) = i\Phi(A)^* - i\Phi(A).$$

By adding equations (2.3) and (2.4), we have  $\Phi(-iA) = -i\Phi(A)$ .

Similarly it can be shown  $\Phi(iA) = i\Phi(A)$ .

CLAIM 2.4. For each  $A_{11} \in \mathcal{A}_{11}$ ,  $A_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ , we have

$$\Phi(A_{11} + A_{12}) = \Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}).$$

Let  $T = \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12}) - \Phi(A_{11}) - \Phi(A_{12})$ . We need to show that  $T = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond \Phi(C_{21}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) = \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = \Phi(A_{11}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + A_{11} \diamond \Phi(C_{21}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & + \dots + A_{11} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) + \Phi(A_{12}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & + A_{12} \diamond \Phi(C_{21}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + \dots + A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = (\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12})) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond \Phi(C_{21}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $T \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . According to initial discussion of proof, we know  $T = T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}$ . So  $-T_{22}^* C_{21} - T_{21}^* C_{21} + C_{21}^* T_{22} + C_{21}^* T_{21} = 0$ . Thus we have  $T_{22} = T_{21} = 0$ . In a similar way, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond \Phi(C_{12}) \diamond P_1 \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = (\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12})) \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond \Phi(C_{12}) \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I). \end{aligned}$$

So  $T \diamond C_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . An early application of the unique decomposition of  $T = T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}$  shows that  $-T_{11}^* C_{12} + C_{12}^* T_{11} = 0$ . Now, multiplying the

above equality from right side by  $P_1$  and left side by  $P_2$ , and using the primitivity assumption of  $\mathcal{A}$  we show that  $T_{11} = 0$ . Similarly, one can show that  $T_{12} = 0$  by applying  $C_{21}$  instead of  $C_{12}$  as above.

CLAIM 2.5. For each  $A_{11} \in \mathcal{A}_{11}$ ,  $A_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ ,  $A_{21} \in \mathcal{A}_{21}$  and  $A_{22} \in \mathcal{A}_{22}$ , we have

- (1)  $\Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) = \Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21})$ .
- (2)  $\Phi(A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) = \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21}) + \Phi(A_{22})$ .

We show that  $T = \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) - \Phi(A_{11}) - \Phi(A_{12}) - \Phi(A_{21}) = 0$ . From Claim 2.4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond \Phi(C_{21}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = \Phi(A_{11} + A_{21} + A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{21}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & \quad + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & \quad + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = (\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21})) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \\ & \quad \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $T \diamond C_{21} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . Since  $T = T_{11} + T_{12} + T_{21} + T_{22}$  we have  $-T_{22}^*C_{21} - T_{21}^*C_{21} + C_{21}^*T_{22} + C_{21}^*T_{21} = 0$ . Therefore,  $T_{22} = T_{21} = 0$ .

Claim 2.4, by an immediate computation, shows

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} \\ & \quad + A_{21}) \diamond \Phi(P_1) \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & \quad = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & \quad + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \dots \diamond I) \\ & \quad + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & = (\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21})) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond \Phi(P_1) \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I). \end{aligned}$$

Hereupon  $T \diamond P_1 \diamond P_1 \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . Thus  $2T_{11} - 2T_{11}^* + T_{12} - T_{12}^* = 0$  which implies

$$(2.5) \quad T_{12} = 0, \quad T_{11} - T_{11}^* = 0.$$

Also from Claims 2.3 and 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond \Phi(iP_1) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12}) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\
& + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\
= & ((\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21})) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond \Phi(iP_1) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\
& + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I))
\end{aligned}$$

So  $T \diamond iP_1 \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$  which implies

$$(2.6) \quad -T_{11} - T_{11}^* = 0.$$

From (2.5), (2.6), we have  $T_{11} = 0$ .

Similarly, we can show that  $\Phi(A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) = \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21}) + \Phi(A_{22})$ .

CLAIM 2.6. For each  $A_{11} \in \mathcal{A}_{11}$ ,  $A_{12} \in \mathcal{A}_{12}$ ,  $A_{21} \in \mathcal{A}_{21}$  and  $A_{22} \in \mathcal{A}_{22}$ , we have

$$\Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) = \Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21}) + \Phi(A_{22}).$$

In order to prove this claim, we have to show that

$$T = \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) - \Phi(A_{11}) - \Phi(A_{12}) - \Phi(A_{21}) - \Phi(A_{22}) = 0.$$

From claim (2.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\
& + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond \Phi(C_{12}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\
& + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\
& = \Phi((A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\
& = (\Phi(A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{22} \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\
& = \Phi(A_{11} \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{12} \diamond C_{12} \diamond I) + \Phi(A_{21} \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\
& + \Phi(A_{22} \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = (\Phi(A_{11}) + \Phi(A_{12}) + \Phi(A_{21}) \\
& + \Phi(A_{22})) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond \Phi(C_{12}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\
& + \dots + (A_{11} + A_{12} + A_{21} + A_{22}) \diamond C_{12} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I).
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $T \diamond C_{12} \diamond I = 0$ . It follows that  $C_{12}^* T_{11} + C_{12}^* T_{12} - T_{11}^* C_{12} - T_{12}^* C_{12} = 0$ . Thus  $T_{11} = T_{12} = 0$ .

Similarly, by applying  $C_{21}$  instead of  $C_{12}$  in the above computation, we obtain  $T_{21} = T_{22} = 0$ .

CLAIM 2.7. For each  $A_{ij}, B_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$  such that  $i \neq j$ , we have

$$\Phi(A_{ij} + B_{ij}) = \Phi(A_{ij}) + \Phi(B_{ij}).$$

It is easy to show that

$$(P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} = A_{ij}^* + B_{ij}^* - A_{ij} - B_{ij}.$$

So, we can write

$$\Phi(-A_{ij} - B_{ij}) + \Phi(A_{ij}^* + B_{ij}^*) = \Phi\left(\left(P_i + A_{ij}^*\right) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \Phi(P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond \Phi(P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + \dots + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= (\Phi(P_i) + \Phi(A_{ij}^*)) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (\Phi(P_j) + \Phi(B_{ij})) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} + \dots + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (P_j + B_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= \Phi\left(P_i \diamond B_{ij} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(A_{ij}^* \diamond P_j \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= \Phi(-B_{ij}) + \Phi(B_{ij}^*) + \Phi(-A_{ij}) + \Phi(A_{ij}^*)
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we show that

$$(2.7) \quad \Phi(-A_{ij} - B_{ij}) + \Phi(A_{ij}^* + B_{ij}^*) = \Phi(-A_{ij}) + \Phi(-B_{ij}) + \Phi(A_{ij}^*) + \Phi(B_{ij}^*).$$

By an easy computation, we can write

$$(P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} = iA_{ij} + iB_{ij} + iA_{ij}^* + iB_{ij}^*.$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(iA_{ij} + iB_{ij}) + \Phi(iA_{ij}^* + iB_{ij}^*) &= \Phi\left((P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= \Phi(P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond \Phi(iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + \dots + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= (\Phi(P_i) + \Phi(A_{ij}^*)) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (\Phi(iP_j) + \Phi(iB_{ij})) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} + \dots + \\
&\quad + (P_i + A_{ij}^*) \diamond (iP_j + iB_{ij}) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi\left(\frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= \Phi\left(P_i \diamond iB_{ij} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) + \Phi\left(A_{ij}^* \diamond iP_j \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}\right) \\
&= \Phi(iB_{ij}) + \Phi(iB_{ij}^*) + \Phi(iA_{ij}) + \Phi(iA_{ij}^*).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we showed that

$$\Phi(iA_{ij} + iB_{ij}) + \Phi(iA_{ij}^* + iB_{ij}^*) = \Phi(iA_{ij}) + \Phi(iB_{ij}) + \Phi(iA_{ij}^*) + \Phi(iB_{ij}^*).$$

From claim 2.3 and the above equation, we have

$$(2.8) \quad -\Phi(A_{ij} + B_{ij}) - \Phi(A_{ij}^* + B_{ij}^*) = -\Phi(B_{ij}) - \Phi(B_{ij}^*) - \Phi(A_{ij}) - \Phi(-A_{ij}^*).$$

By adding equations (2.7) and (2.8), we obtain  $\Phi(A_{ij} + B_{ij}) = \Phi(A_{ij}) + \Phi(B_{ij})$ .

CLAIM 2.8. For each  $A_{ii}, B_{ii} \in \mathcal{A}_{ii}$  such that  $1 \leq i \leq 2$ , we have

$$\Phi(A_{ii} + B_{ii}) = \Phi(A_{ii}) + \Phi(B_{ii}).$$

We show that  $T = \Phi(A_{ii} + B_{ii}) - \Phi(A_{ii}) - \Phi(B_{ii}) = 0$ . We can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond \Phi(P_j) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = \Phi((A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{ii} \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & + \Phi(B_{ii} \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + A_{ii} \diamond \Phi(P_j) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + A_{ii} \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) + \Phi(B_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + B_{ii} \diamond \Phi(P_j) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + \dots + B_{ii} \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = (\Phi(A_{ii}) + \Phi(B_{ii})) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond \Phi(P_j) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \end{aligned}$$

So, we have  $T \diamond P_j \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . Therefore, we obtain  $T_{ij} = T_{ji} = T_{jj} = 0$ .

On the other hand, for every  $C_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}_{ij}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond \Phi(C_{ij}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = \Phi((A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = \Phi(A_{ii} \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) \\ & + \Phi(B_{ii} \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I) = (\Phi(A_{ii}) + \Phi(B_{ii})) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond \Phi(C_{ij}) \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond \Phi(I) \diamond \dots \diamond I \\ & \quad + \dots + (A_{ii} + B_{ii}) \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond \Phi(I) \end{aligned}$$

So  $T \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$  which shows that  $T_{ii} \diamond C_{ij} \diamond I \diamond \dots \diamond I = 0$ . Thus we see that  $-T_{ii}^* C_{ij} + C_{ij}^* T_{ii} = 0$ . Again multiplying the above equality from right by  $P_i$  and from left by  $P_j$  and using the well-known fact that  $\mathcal{A}$  is prime, we have  $T_{ii} = 0$ .

Hence, the additivity of  $\Phi$  comes from the above claims.

In the rest of this paper, we show that  $\Phi$  is  $*$ -derivation.

CLAIM 2.9.  $\Phi$  preserves star.

Since  $\Phi(\frac{I}{2}) = 0$  then we can write  $\Phi(A \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}) = \Phi(A) \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2}$ . Then  $\Phi(A - A^*) = \Phi(A) - \Phi(A)^*$ . So, we showed that  $\Phi$  preserves star.

CLAIM 2.10. We prove that  $\Phi$  is derivation.

For every  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ , a simple calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(-2AB + 2B^*A^*) &= \Phi\left(A^* \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond I\right) \\ &= \Phi(A^*) \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \dots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond I \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + \cdots + A^* \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \cdots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \Phi(I) \\ & = 2B^*\Phi(A)^* - 2\Phi(A)B - 2A\Phi(B) + \Phi(B)^*A^*. \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$(2.9) \quad \Phi(B^*A^* - AB) = \Phi(B)^*A^* + B^*\Phi(A)^* - \Phi(A)B - A\Phi(B).$$

From Claims 2.3 and 2.9, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(-2B^*A^* - 2AB) &= \Phi\left(iA^* \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \cdots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond I\right) \\ &= \Phi(iA^*) \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \cdots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond I \\ &\quad + \cdots + (iA^*) \diamond B \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \cdots \diamond \frac{I}{2} \diamond \Phi(I). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$i\Phi(-B^*A^* - AB) = i(-\Phi(B)^*A^* - B^*\Phi(A)^* - \Phi(A)B - A\Phi(B)).$$

So we can show that

$$(2.10) \quad \Phi(-B^*A^* - AB) = -\Phi(B)^*A^* - B^*\Phi(A)^* - \Phi(A)B - A\Phi(B).$$

Eventually, equations (2.9) and (2.10) shows that  $\Phi(AB) = \Phi(A)B + A\Phi(B)$ .  $\square$

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