



## DERIVATIONS OF UP-ALGEBRAS BY MEANS OF UP-ENDOMORPHISMS

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**ABSTRACT.** The notion of  $f$ -derivations of UP-algebras is introduced, some useful examples are discussed, and related properties are investigated. Moreover, we show that the fixed set and the kernel of  $f$ -derivations are UP-subalgebras of UP-algebras, and also give examples to show that the two sets are not UP-ideals of UP-algebras in general.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Among many algebraic structures, algebras of logic form important class of algebras. Examples of these are BCK-algebras [9], BCI-algebras [10], BCH-algebras [7], KU-algebras [25], SU-algebras [13] and others. They are strongly connected with logic. For example, BCI-algebras introduced by Iséki [10] in 1966 have connections with BCI-logic being the BCI-system in combinatorial logic which has application in the language of functional programming. BCK and BCI-algebras are two classes of logical algebras. They were introduced by Imai and Iséki

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[9, 10] in 1966 and have been extensively investigated by many researchers. It is known that the class of BCK-algebras is a proper subclass of the class of BCI-algebras.

In the theory of rings and near rings, the properties of derivations is an important topic to study [23, 15]. In 2004, Jun and Xin [12] applied the notions of rings and near rings theory to BCI-algebras and obtained some properties. Several researches were conducted on the generalizations of the notion of derivations and application to many logical algebras such as: In 2005, Zhan and Liu [27] introduced the notion of left-right (right-left)  $f$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2006, Abujabal and Al-shehri [1] investigated some fundamental properties and proved some results on derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2007, Abujabal and Al-shehri [2] introduced the notion of left derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2009, Javed and Aslam [11] investigated some fundamental properties and established some results of  $f$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. Nisar [22] introduced the notions of right  $F$ -derivations and left  $F$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. Nisar [21] characterized  $f$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. Prabpayak and Leerawat [24] studied the notions of left-right (right-left) derivations of BCC-algebras. In 2012, Al-shehri and Bawazeer [4] introduced the notion of left-right (right-left)  $t$ -derivations of BCC-algebras. Lee and Kim [16] considered the properties of  $f$ -derivations of BCC-algebras. Muhiuddin and Al-roqi [18] introduced the notion of  $t$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. Muhiuddin and Al-roqi [17] introduced the notion of (regular)  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2013, Bawazeer, Al-shehri and Babusal [6] introduced the notion of generalized derivations of BCC-algebras. Lee [14] introduced a new kind of derivations of BCI-algebras. Muhiuddin, Al-roqi, Jun and Ceven [20] introduced the notion of symmetric left bi-derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2014, Al-roqi [3] introduced the notion of generalized (regular)  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. Muhiuddin and Al-roqi [19] introduced the notion of generalized left derivations of BCI-algebras. Ardekani and Davvaz [5] introduced the notion of  $(f, g)$ -derivations of BCI-algebras. In 2016, Sawika, Intasan, Kaewwasri and Iampan [26] introduced the notions of  $(l, r)$ -derivations,  $(r, l)$ -derivations and derivations of UP-algebras and investigated some related properties.

The notion of derivations play an important role in studying the many logical algebras. In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $f$ -derivations of UP-algebras which is the generalization of the notion of derivations [26], some useful examples are discussed, and related properties are investigated.

Before we begin our study, we will introduce to the definition of a UP-algebra.

**Definition 1.1.** [8] An algebra  $A = (A; \cdot, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is called a *UP-algebra* if it satisfies the following axioms: for any  $x, y, z \in A$ ,

$$\text{(UP-1): } (y \cdot z) \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z)) = 0,$$

$$\text{(UP-2): } 0 \cdot x = x,$$

**(UP-3):**  $x \cdot 0 = 0$ , and

**(UP-4):**  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x = 0$  implies  $x = y$ .

**Example 1.1.** [8] Let  $X$  be a universal set. Define a binary operation  $\cdot$  on the power set of  $X$  by putting  $A \cdot B = B \cap A' = A' \cap B = B - A$  for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{P}(X); \cdot, \emptyset)$  is a UP-algebra and we shall call it the power UP-algebra of type 1.

**Example 1.2.** [8] Let  $X$  be a universal set. Define a binary operation  $*$  on the power set of  $X$  by putting  $A * B = B \cup A' = A' \cup B$  for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{P}(X); *, X)$  is a UP-algebra and we shall call it the power UP-algebra of type 2.

In what follows, let  $A$  denotes a UP-algebra unless otherwise specified. The following proposition is very important for the study of UP-algebras.

**Proposition 1.1.** [8] In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following properties hold: for any  $x, y, z \in A$ ,

- (1)  $x \cdot x = 0$ ,
- (2)  $x \cdot y = 0$  and  $y \cdot z = 0$  imply  $x \cdot z = 0$ ,
- (3)  $x \cdot y = 0$  implies  $(z \cdot x) \cdot (z \cdot y) = 0$ ,
- (4)  $x \cdot y = 0$  implies  $(y \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot z) = 0$ ,
- (5)  $x \cdot (y \cdot x) = 0$ ,
- (6)  $(y \cdot x) \cdot x = 0$  if and only if  $x = y \cdot x$ , and
- (7)  $x \cdot (y \cdot y) = 0$ .

On a UP-algebra  $A = (A; \cdot, 0)$ , we define a binary relation  $\leq$  on  $A$  [8] as follows: for all  $x, y \in A$ ,

$$x \leq y \text{ if and only if } x \cdot y = 0.$$

**Definition 1.2.** [8] A nonempty subset  $B$  of  $A$  is called a UP-ideal of  $A$  if it satisfies the following properties:

- (1) the constant 0 of  $A$  is in  $B$ , and
- (2) for any  $x, y, z \in A$ ,  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) \in B$  and  $y \in B$  imply  $x \cdot z \in B$ .

Clearly,  $A$  and  $\{0\}$  are UP-ideals of  $A$ .

**Theorem 1.3.** [8] Let  $A$  be a UP-algebra and  $B$  a UP-ideal of  $A$ . Then the following statements hold: for any  $x, a, b \in A$ ,

- (1) if  $b \cdot x \in B$  and  $b \in B$ , then  $x \in B$ . Moreover, if  $b \cdot X \subseteq B$  and  $b \in B$ , then  $X \subseteq B$ ,
- (2) if  $b \in B$ , then  $x \cdot b \in B$ . Moreover, if  $b \in B$ , then  $X \cdot b \subseteq B$ , and
- (3) if  $a, b \in B$ , then  $(b \cdot (a \cdot x)) \cdot x \in B$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [8] Let  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  and  $(A'; \cdot', 0')$  be UP-algebras. A mapping  $f$  from  $A$  to  $A'$  is called a *UP-homomorphism* if

$$f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \cdot' f(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in A.$$

A UP-homomorphism  $f: A \rightarrow A'$  is called a *UP-endomorphism* of  $A$  if  $A' = A$ .

**Theorem 1.4.** [8] Let  $(A; \cdot, 0_A)$  and  $(B; *, 0_B)$  be UP-algebras and let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a UP-homomorphism. Then the following statements hold:

- (1)  $f(0_A) = 0_B$ ,
- (2) for any  $x, y \in A$ , if  $x \leq y$ , then  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ ,
- (3) if  $C$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ , then the image  $f(C)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $B$ . In particular,  $\text{Im}(f)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $B$ ,
- (4) if  $D$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $B$ , then the inverse image  $f^{-1}(D)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ . In particular,  $\text{Ker}(f)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ ,
- (5) if  $C$  is a UP-ideal of  $A$ , then the image  $f(C)$  is a UP-ideal of  $f(A)$ ,
- (6) if  $D$  is a UP-ideal of  $B$ , then the inverse image  $f^{-1}(D)$  is a UP-ideal of  $A$ . In particular,  $\text{Ker}(f)$  is a UP-ideal of  $A$ , and
- (7)  $\text{Ker}(f) = \{0_A\}$  if and only if  $f$  is injective.

**Definition 1.4.** [26] For any  $x, y \in A$ , we define a binary operation  $\wedge$  on  $A$  by  $x \wedge y = (y \cdot x) \cdot x$ .

**Definition 1.5.** [26] A UP-algebra  $A$  is called *meet-commutative* if  $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$  for all  $x, y \in A$ , that is,  $(y \cdot x) \cdot x = (x \cdot y) \cdot y$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** [26] In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following properties hold: for any  $x \in A$ ,

- (1)  $0 \wedge x = 0$ ,
- (2)  $x \wedge 0 = 0$ , and
- (3)  $x \wedge x = x$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we introduce the notions of  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivations,  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivations, and  $f$ -derivations of UP-algebras, and study the fixed set and the kernel of  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivations,  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivations, and  $f$ -derivations.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $f$  be a UP-endomorphism of  $A$ . A self-map  $d_f: A \rightarrow A$  is called an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  if it satisfies the identity  $d_f(x \cdot y) = (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(y))$  for all  $x, y \in A$ . Similarly, a self-map  $d_f: A \rightarrow A$  is called an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  if it satisfies the identity  $d_f(x \cdot y) = (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(y))$  for all  $x, y \in A$ . Moreover, if  $d_f$  is both an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation and an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , it is called an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ .

By using Microsoft Excel, we have all examples.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a set with a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	2	3
2	0	1	0	3
3	0	1	2	0

Then  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  is a UP-algebra. We define a self-map  $f: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0, f(2) = 1 \text{ and } f(3) = 3.$$

Then  $f$  is a UP-endomorphism. We define a self-map  $d_f: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:

$$d_f(0) = 0, d_f(1) = 0, d_f(2) = 1 \text{ and } d_f(3) = 0.$$

Then  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** Each UP-endomorphism  $f$  of  $A$  is its  $f$ -derivation.

*Proof.* It follows from Proposition 1.2 (3).  $\square$

**Definition 2.2.** An  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation (resp.  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation,  $f$ -derivation)  $d_f$  of  $A$  is called regular if  $d_f(0) = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:

- (1) every  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  is regular, and
- (2) every  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  is regular.

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then

(By UP-3)	$d_f(0) = d_f(0 \cdot 0)$
	$= (d_f(0) \cdot f(0)) \wedge (f(0) \cdot d_f(0))$
(By Theorem 1.4 (1))	$= (d_f(0) \cdot 0) \wedge (0 \cdot d_f(0))$
(By UP-2 and UP-3)	$= 0 \wedge d_f(0)$
(By Proposition 1.2 (1))	$= 0.$

Hence,  $d_f$  is regular.

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(By UP-3)} \quad d_f(0) &= d_f(0 \cdot 0) \\
 &= (f(0) \cdot d_f(0)) \wedge (d_f(0) \cdot f(0)) \\
 \text{(By Theorem 1.4 (1))} \quad &= (0 \cdot d_f(0)) \wedge (d_f(0) \cdot 0) \\
 \text{(By UP-2 and UP-3)} \quad &= d_f(0) \wedge 0 \\
 \text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d_f$  is regular.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** *Every  $f$ -derivation of  $A$  is regular.*

**Theorem 2.4.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $d_f(x) = f(x) \wedge d_f(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ , and*
- (2) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $d_f(x) = d_f(x) \wedge f(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then, for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad d_f(x) &= d_f(0 \cdot x) \\
 &= (d_f(0) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(0) \cdot d_f(x)) \\
 \text{(By Theorem 1.4 (1) and 2.2 (1))} \quad &= (0 \cdot f(x)) \wedge (0 \cdot d_f(x)) \\
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad &= f(x) \wedge d_f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then, for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad d_f(x) &= d_f(0 \cdot x) \\
 &= (f(0) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(0) \cdot f(x)) \\
 \text{(By Theorem 1.4 (1) and 2.2 (2))} \quad &= (0 \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (0 \cdot f(x)) \\
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad &= d_f(x) \wedge f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $d_f(x) = d_f(x) \wedge f(x) = f(x) \wedge d_f(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ .*

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $d_f$  be an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then the following properties hold: for any  $x, y \in A$ ,*

- (1)  $f(x) \leq d_f(x)$ ,  
 (2)  $d_f(x) \cdot f(y) \leq d_f(x \cdot y)$ ,  
 (3) if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$  or  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then  $d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) = 0$ ,  
 (4) if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$  or  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then  $d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) = 0$ ,  
 (5) if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$  or  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then  $d_f(x \cdot f(x)) = 0$ , and  
 (6) if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$  or  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then  $d_f(f(x) \cdot x) = 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) For all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(By Theorem 2.4 (1))} \quad f(x) \cdot d_f(x) &= f(x) \cdot (f(x) \wedge d_f(x)) \\ &= f(x) \cdot ((d_f(x) \cdot f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (5))} \quad = 0.$$

Hence,  $f(x) \leq d_f(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ .

(2) For all  $x, y \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \cdot d_f(x \cdot y) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \cdot ((d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(y))) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \cdot (((f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \cdot (d_f(x) \cdot f(y))) \cdot (d_f(x) \cdot f(y))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (5))} \quad = 0.$$

Hence,  $d_f(x) \cdot f(y) \leq d_f(x \cdot y)$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .

(3) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x)))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

(4) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) &= (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \\ &= (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) &= (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

(5) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot f(x)) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot f(x)) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x)))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

(6) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(f(x) \cdot x) &= (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$



If  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(f(x) \cdot x) &= (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \\ &= (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

□

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $d_f$  be an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Then the following properties hold: for any  $x, y \in A$ ,*

- (1)  $f(x) \cdot d_f(y) \leq d_f(x \cdot y)$ ,
- (2) if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$  or  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then  $d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) = 0$ ,
- (3) if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$  or  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then  $d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) = 0$ ,
- (4) if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$  or  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then  $d_f(x \cdot f(x)) = 0$ , and
- (5) if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$  or  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then  $d_f(f(x) \cdot x) = 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) For all  $x, y \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \cdot d_f(x \cdot y) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \cdot ((f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(y))) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \cdot (((d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \cdot (f(x) \cdot d_f(y))) \cdot (f(x) \cdot d_f(y))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (5))} \quad = 0.$$

Hence,  $f(x) \cdot d_f(y) \leq d_f(x \cdot y)$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .

(2) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot d_f(x)) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(d_f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(d_f(x)))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

(3) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $f(d_f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) &= (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $d_f(d_f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(d_f(x) \cdot x) &= (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(d_f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (f(d_f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

(4) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot f(x)) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = 0 \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x)))$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot f(x)) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(f(x))) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (f(x) \cdot d_f(f(x))) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

(5) For all  $x \in A$ , if  $d_f(f(x)) = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(f(x) \cdot x) &= (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.1 (1))} \quad = (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge 0$$

$$\text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad = 0.$$

If  $f(f(x)) = d_f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(f(x) \cdot x) &= (f(f(x)) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (d_f(x) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

(By Proposition 1.1 (1))  $\qquad = 0 \wedge (d_f(f(x)) \cdot f(x))$

(By Proposition 1.2 (1))  $\qquad = 0.$

□

**Definition 2.3.** A UP-ideal  $B$  of  $A$  is called  $f$ -invariant (with respect to an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation (resp.  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation,  $f$ -derivation)  $d_f$  of  $A$ ) if  $d_f(B) \subseteq B$ .

**Example 2.6.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a set with a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	2	3
2	0	1	0	3
3	0	1	2	0

Then  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  is a UP-algebra. We define a self-map  $f: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0, f(2) = 1 \text{ and } f(3) = 3.$$

Then  $f$  is a UP-endomorphism. We define a self-map  $d_f: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:

$$d_f(0) = 0, d_f(1) = 0, d_f(2) = 1 \text{ and } d_f(3) = 0.$$

Then  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $B = \{0, 1, 2\}$  and  $C = \{0, 1, 3\}$ . Then  $B$  and  $C$  are UP-ideals of  $A$  and it follows that they are  $f$ -invariants with respect to an  $f$ -derivation  $d_f$  of  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Every ideal of  $A$  with containing the endomorphic image of  $f$  is  $f$ -invariant with respect to any  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $B$  is an ideal of  $A$  and  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $y \in d_f(B)$ . Then  $y = d_f(x)$  for some  $x \in B$ . By Proposition 2.2 (1), we obtain  $f(x) \leq d_f(x)$ ; that is,  $f(x) \cdot d_f(x) = 0$ . Thus  $f(x) \cdot y = f(x) \cdot d_f(x) = 0 \in B$ . Since  $f(B) \subseteq B$ , we have  $f(x) \in B$ . It follows from Theorem 1.3 (1) that  $y \in B$ . Hence,  $d_f(B) \subseteq B$ , which implies that  $B$  is  $f$ -invariant. □

**Corollary 2.8.** *Every ideal of  $A$  with containing the endomorphic image of  $f$  is  $f$ -invariant with respect to any  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ .*

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $d_f$  be an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation (resp.  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation,  $f$ -derivation) of  $A$ . We define a subset  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  of  $A$  by

$$\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A) = \{x \in A \mid d_f(x) = 0\}.$$

**Theorem 2.9.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \wedge x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$ , and*
- (2) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \wedge x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$ . Then  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(y \wedge x) &= d_f((x \cdot y) \cdot y) \\ &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x \cdot y) \cdot d_f(y)) \\ &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x \cdot y) \cdot 0) \\ &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge 0 \end{aligned}$$

(By UP-3)

(By Proposition 1.2 (2))

$$= 0.$$

Hence,  $y \wedge x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$ . Then  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(y \wedge x) &= d_f((x \cdot y) \cdot y) \\ &= (f(x \cdot y) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= (f(x \cdot y) \cdot 0) \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= 0 \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \end{aligned}$$

(By UP-3)

(By Proposition 1.2 (1))

$$= 0.$$

Hence,  $y \wedge x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.10.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \wedge x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$ .*

Give an example of conflict that  $x \wedge y \notin \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $x \in A$  in general.

**Example 2.11.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a set with a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	0	3
2	0	0	0	3
3	0	1	2	0

Then  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  is a UP-algebra. Let  $1_A$  be an identity map on  $A$ . Then  $1_A$  is a UP-  
endomorphism. We define a self-map  $d_{1_A} : A \rightarrow A$  as follows:

$$d_{1_A}(0) = 0, d_{1_A}(1) = 0, d_{1_A}(2) = 2 \text{ and } d_{1_A}(3) = 3.$$

Then  $d_{1_A}$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$  and so  $\text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A) = \{0, 1\}$ . Thus  $2 \wedge 1 = 2 \notin \text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  when  $1 \in \text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  and  $2 \in A$ .

**Theorem 2.12.** In a meet-commutative UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:

- (1) if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  and for any  $x, y \in A$  is such that  $y \leq x$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , then  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , and
- (2) if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$  and for any  $x, y \in A$  is such that  $y \leq x$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , then  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x, y \in A$  be such that  $y \leq x$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $y \cdot x = 0$  and  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad d_f(x) &= d_f(0 \cdot x) \\
 &= d_f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\
 &= d_f((x \cdot y) \cdot y) \\
 &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x \cdot y) \cdot d_f(y)) \\
 &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x \cdot y) \cdot 0) \\
 \text{(By UP-3)} \quad &= (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \wedge 0 \\
 \text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x, y \in A$  be such that  $y \leq x$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $y \cdot x = 0$  and  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(By UP-2)} \quad d_f(x) &= d_f(0 \cdot x) \\
 &= d_f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\
 &= d_f((x \cdot y) \cdot y) \\
 &= (f(x \cdot y) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \\
 &= (f(x \cdot y) \cdot 0) \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \\
 \text{(By UP-3)} \quad &= 0 \wedge (d_f(x \cdot y) \cdot f(y)) \\
 \text{(By Proposition 1.2 (1))} \quad &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.13.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of a meet-commutative UP-algebra  $A$  and for any  $x, y \in A$  is such that  $y \leq x$  and  $y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , then  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .*

**Theorem 2.14.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \cdot x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $y \in A$ , and*
- (2) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \cdot x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $y \in A$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $y \in A$ . Then  $d_f(x) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_f(y \cdot x) &= (d_f(y) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(y) \cdot d_f(x)) \\
 &= (d_f(y) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(y) \cdot 0) \\
 \text{(By UP-3)} \quad &= (d_f(y) \cdot f(x)) \wedge 0 \\
 \text{(By Proposition 1.2 (2))} \quad &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $y \cdot x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $y \in A$ . Then  $d_f(x) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(y \cdot x) &= (f(y) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(y) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (f(y) \cdot 0) \wedge (d_f(y) \cdot f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

(By UP-3) 
$$= 0 \wedge (d_f(y) \cdot f(x))$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (1)) 
$$= 0.$$

Hence,  $y \cdot x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.15.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $y \cdot x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $y \in A$ .*

**Example 2.16.** *From Example 2.1, we have  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A) = \{0, 1, 3\}$ . Then  $3 \cdot 2 = 2 \notin \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  when  $3 \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  and  $2 \in A$ .*

**Theorem 2.17.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ , and*
- (2) *if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . By Theorem 2.2 (1), we have  $d_f(0) = 0$  and so  $0 \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = 0$  and  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot y) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \\ &= (0 \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot 0) \end{aligned}$$

(By UP-2 and UP-3) 
$$= f(y) \wedge 0$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (2)) 
$$= 0.$$

Hence,  $x \cdot y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , so  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . By Theorem 2.2 (2), we have  $d_f(0) = 0$  and so  $0 \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = 0$  and  $d_f(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot y) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot 0) \wedge (0 \cdot f(y)) \end{aligned}$$

(By UP-2 and UP-3) 
$$= 0 \wedge f(y)$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (1)) 
$$= 0.$$

Hence,  $x \cdot y \in \text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$ , so  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.18.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .*

Give an example of conflict that  $\text{Ker}_{d_f}(A)$  is not a UP-ideal of  $A$  in general.

**Example 2.19.** *Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a set with a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table:*

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	3
3	0	1	2	0

*Then  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  is a UP-algebra. Let  $1_A$  be an identity map on  $A$ . Then  $1_A$  is a UP-  
endomorphism. We define a self-map  $d_{1_A}: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:*

$$d_{1_A}(0) = 0, d_{1_A}(1) = 0, d_{1_A}(2) = 2 \text{ and } d_{1_A}(3) = 0.$$

*Then  $d_{1_A}$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $1_A$ -derivation of  $A$  and  $\text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A) = \{0, 1, 3\}$ . Since  $0 \cdot (1 \cdot 2) = 0 \in \text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$ ,  $1 \in \text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  but  $0 \cdot 2 = 2 \notin \text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$ , we conclude that  $\text{Ker}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  is not a UP-ideal of  $A$ .*

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $d_f$  be an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation (resp.  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation,  $f$ -derivation) of  $A$ . We define a subset  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  of  $A$  by

$$\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A) = \{x \in A \mid d_f(x) = f(x)\}.$$

**Theorem 2.20.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ , and*
- (2) if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . By Theorem 2.2 (1) and 1.4 (1), we have  $d_f(0) = 0 = f(0)$  and so  $0 \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = f(x)$  and  $d_f(y) = f(y)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot y) &= (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= f(x \cdot y) \wedge f(x \cdot y) \end{aligned}$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (3)) 
$$= f(x \cdot y).$$

Hence,  $x \cdot y \in \text{Fix}_d(A)$ , so  $\text{Fix}_d(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .



(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . By Theorem 2.2 (2) and 1.4 (1), we have  $d_f(0) = 0 = f(0)$  and so  $0 \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = f(x)$  and  $d_f(y) = f(y)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \cdot y) &= (f(x) \cdot d_f(y)) \wedge (d_f(x) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= (f(x) \cdot f(y)) \wedge (f(x) \cdot f(y)) \\ &= f(x \cdot y) \wedge f(x \cdot y) \end{aligned}$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (3))  $\qquad \qquad \qquad = f(x \cdot y)$ .

Hence,  $x \cdot y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ , so  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.21.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  is a UP-subalgebra of  $A$ .*

Give an example of conflict that  $\text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  is not a UP-ideal of  $A$  in general.

**Example 2.22.** *Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a set with a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table:*

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	3
3	0	1	2	0

*Then  $(A; \cdot, 0)$  is a UP-algebra. Let  $1_A$  be an identity map on  $A$ . Then  $1_A$  is a UP-  
endomorphism. We define a self-map  $d_{1_A}: A \rightarrow A$  as follows:*

$$d_{1_A}(0) = 0, d_{1_A}(1) = 1, d_{1_A}(2) = 2 \text{ and } d_{1_A}(3) = 0.$$

*Then  $d_{1_A}$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $1_A$ -derivation of  $A$  and  $\text{Fix}_{d_{1_A}}(A) = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Since  $2 \cdot (1 \cdot 3) = 0 \in \text{Fix}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$ ,  $1 \in \text{Fix}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  but  $2 \cdot 3 = 3 \notin \text{Fix}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$ , we conclude that  $\text{Fix}_{d_{1_A}}(A)$  is not a UP-ideal of  $A$ .*

**Theorem 2.23.** *In a UP-algebra  $A$ , the following statements hold:*

- (1) if  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $x \wedge y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ , and*
- (2) if  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $x \wedge y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(l, r)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = f(x)$  and  $d_f(y) = f(y)$ . By Theorem 2.20 (1), we get  $d_f(y \cdot x) = f(y \cdot x)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \wedge y) &= d_f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\ &= (d_f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(y \cdot x) \cdot d_f(x)) \\ &= (f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x) \\ &= f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\ &= f(x \wedge y). \end{aligned}$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (3))

Hence,  $x \wedge y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ .

(2) Assume that  $d_f$  is an  $(r, l)$ - $f$ -derivation of  $A$ . Let  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ . Then  $d_f(x) = f(x)$  and  $d_f(y) = f(y)$ . By Theorem 2.20 (2), we get  $d_f(y \cdot x) = f(y \cdot x)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_f(x \wedge y) &= d_f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\ &= (f(y \cdot x) \cdot d_f(x)) \wedge (d_f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= (f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \wedge (f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x)) \\ &= f(y \cdot x) \cdot f(x) \\ &= f((y \cdot x) \cdot x) \\ &= f(x \wedge y). \end{aligned}$$

(By Proposition 1.2 (3))

Hence,  $x \wedge y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.24.** *If  $d_f$  is an  $f$ -derivation of  $A$ , then  $x \wedge y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$  for all  $x, y \in \text{Fix}_{d_f}(A)$ .*

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