

### 13. Note on Cyclic Galois Extensions

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**Introduction.** As a generalization of central separable algebras, the notion of  $H$ -separable extension was introduced in [3]. Especially in the case where  $B$  is a commutative ring and  $A$  is a faithful  $B$ -algebra,  $A$  is an  $H$ -separable Galois extension of  $B$  if and only if  $A$  is central Galois extension of  $B$ . But in the case where  $B$  is non-commutative, there are some properties which hold in  $H$ -separable extensions of  $B$  but do not hold in central Galois extensions. Especially by Theorem 11 [2] there is no central cyclic Galois extension, while we could find some examples of  $H$ -separable cyclic Galois extensions in [11]. The aim of this paper is to show that if  $A$  is an  $H$ -separable Galois extension of  $B$  relative to a cyclic group  $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ , then the centralizer of  $B$  in  $A$  is equal to the center of  $B$  (Theorem 1). We will also show that if  $A$  is an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$  and the center of  $A$  is semi-local, then all elements of  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$  are inner automorphisms (Theorem 2).

**Definitions and symbols.** Throughout this paper  $A$  will be a ring with the identity 1,  $B$  a subring of  $A$  which contains 1 of  $A$  and  $C$  and  $C'$  the centers of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively. For any subset  $X$  of  $A$ , any ring automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $A$  and any  $A$ - $A$ -module  $M$ , we will set respectively

$$\begin{aligned} V_A(X) &= \{a \in A \mid ax = xa \text{ for all } x \text{ in } X\} \\ J_\sigma &= \{a \in A \mid xa = a\sigma(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } A\} \\ M^A &= \{m \in M \mid ma = am \text{ for all } a \in A\}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, by  $A_\sigma$  we denote an  $A$ - $A$ -module such that  $A_\sigma = A$  as left  $A$ -module and  $ax = a\sigma(x)$  for  $a \in A_\sigma$  and  $x \in A$  as right  $A$ -module. Then we see  $J_\sigma = (A_\sigma)^A$ ,  $V_A(B) = A^B = (A_\sigma)^B$ ,  $C = V_A(A)$  and  $C' = V_B(B)$ . Especially we will denote  $D = V_A(B)$ .  $A$  is an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$  if and only if  $A \otimes_B A$  is isomorphic to a direct summand of some  $(A \oplus A \oplus \cdots \oplus A)$  (finite direct sum) as  $A$ - $A$ -module. This condition is equivalent to the condition that for any  $A$ - $A$ -module  $M$   $D \otimes_C M^A \cong M^B$  by  $d \otimes m \rightarrow dm$  for  $d \in D$  and  $m \in M^A$  (see Theorem 1.2 [9]). Hence if  $A$  is an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$ ,  $D = (A_\sigma)^B \cong D \otimes_C (A_\sigma)^A = D \otimes_C J_\sigma$ . Thus  $J_\sigma$  is rank 1  $C$ -projective, since  $D$  is  $C$ -finitely generated projective by Theorem 1.1 [3], and  $DJ_\sigma = J_\sigma D = D$  for each  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(A|B)$ , where  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$  denotes the group of all automorphisms of  $A$  which fix all elements of  $B$ . Furthermore,  $G$  will always stand for a finite group of

ring automorphisms of  $A$ , and for any subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  we will set

$$A^K = \{a \in A \mid \sigma(a) = a \text{ for all } \sigma \text{ in } K\}.$$

$A$  is a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$  if and only if  $B = A^G$  and there exist  $x_i, y_i$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ ) in  $A$  such that  $\sum x_i \sigma(y_i) = \delta_{1\sigma}$  (Kronecker delta) for each  $\sigma \in G$  (see [2] and [6]). Note that if  $A$  is a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$ ,  $D = \sum_{\sigma \in G}^{\oplus} J_{\sigma}$  by Proposition 1 [6].

**Cyclic Galois extensions.** The next lemma may already be known. But the author wishes to state here for completeness.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $A$  be a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$  and  $R$  a subring of  $C \cap B$ . Then for any multiplicative subset  $S$  of  $R$ ,  $A_S$  ( $= A \otimes_R R_S$ ) is a Galois extension of  $B_S$  ( $= B \otimes_R R_S$ ) relative to  $G$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\varphi$  be the natural homomorphism of  $A$  to  $A_S$  and  $\mathfrak{N}$  the kernel of  $\varphi$ , namely,  $\varphi(x) = x \otimes 1$  for  $x \in A$  and  $\mathfrak{N} = \{a \in A \mid as = 0 \text{ for some } s \text{ in } S\}$ . Now it is obvious that for any  $\sigma \in G$  we can obtain an automorphism  $\bar{\sigma}$  of  $A_S$  by  $\bar{\sigma}(x \otimes 1/s) = \sigma(x) \otimes 1/s$  for  $x \in A$  and  $s \in S$ .

On the other hand there exist  $x_i, y_i$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ ) in  $A$  such that  $\sum x_i \sigma(y_i) = \delta_{1\sigma}$ , since  $A$  is a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$ . Suppose  $\bar{\sigma} = 1_{A_S}$  for some  $\sigma \neq 1$  in  $G$ . Then for any  $x \in A$ ,  $\sigma(x) - x \in \mathfrak{N}$ . Hence  $1 = \sum x_i y_i - \sum x_i \sigma(y_i) = \sum x_i (y_i - \sigma(y_i)) \in \mathfrak{N}$ , a contradiction. Therefore, we see that  $G$  acts on  $A_S$  faithfully. Next we will show  $(A_S)^G = B_S$ . Let  $x \otimes 1/t \in (A_S)^G$  with  $x \in A$  and  $t \in S$ . Then for each  $\sigma \in G$ ,  $(\sigma(x) - x) \otimes 1 = 0$ , and there exists  $s_{\sigma} \in S$  such that  $(\sigma(x) - x)s_{\sigma} = 0$ . Let  $s = \prod s_{\sigma}$ . Then  $(\sigma(x) - x)s = \sigma(xs) - xs = 0$  for all  $\sigma \in G$ . Hence  $xs = r \in B = A^G$ , and we have  $x \otimes 1/t = r \otimes 1/st \in B_S$ . Thus  $(A_S)^G \subseteq B_S$ .  $(A_S)^G \supseteq B_S$  is obvious. Finally it is clear that  $x_i \otimes 1, y_i \otimes 1$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ ) satisfy the condition of Galois extension. Thus  $A_S$  is a Galois extension of  $B_S$  relative to  $G$ .

Let us say that  $A$  is an inner Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$  if  $A$  is a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to a Group  $G$  all of whose elements are inner automorphisms. Note that every inner Galois extension is an  $H$ -separable extension by Theorem 3 [10].

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $A$  be an  $H$ -separable Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G$ . Then for any prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $C$ ,  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is an inner Galois extension of  $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$  relative to  $G$ .*

**Proof.**  $B$  is a  $C$ -algebra, since  $B = V_A(V_A(B)) \supset C$  by Proposition 3 (1) [10].  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a Galois extension of  $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$  relative to  $G$  by Lemma 1 and also an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$  by Proposition 1.7 [9]. Let  $\bar{C}$  be the center of  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$  and  $\bar{D} = V_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}}(B_{\mathfrak{p}})$ . Regarding  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$  as  $A$ - $A$ -module, we have  $\bar{C} = (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} = (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^A$  and  $\bar{D} = (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^{B_{\mathfrak{p}}} = (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^B$ . Then since  $A$  is  $H$ -separable over  $B$ , we have  $\bar{D} = (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^B \cong D \otimes_C (A_{\mathfrak{p}})^A = D \otimes_C \bar{C}$ . Now let  $J_{\sigma}$  be as above and set  $\bar{J}_{\sigma} = \{\alpha \in A_{\mathfrak{p}} \mid \beta \alpha = \alpha \sigma(\beta) \text{ for all } \beta \text{ in } A_{\mathfrak{p}}\}$ . Then  $\bar{D} = \sum_{\sigma \in G}^{\oplus} \bar{J}_{\sigma}$  and  $D = \sum_{\sigma \in G}^{\oplus} J_{\sigma}$  by Proposition 1 [6]. Hence we have  $\sum^{\oplus} J_{\sigma} \otimes_C \bar{C} = \sum^{\oplus} \bar{J}_{\sigma}$ . But  $\varphi(J_{\sigma}) \bar{C} \subset \bar{J}_{\sigma}$  for each  $\sigma \in G$ , where  $\varphi$  is the natural map of  $A$  to  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .

Therefore  $J_\sigma \otimes_C \bar{C} \cong \bar{J}_\sigma$  for each  $\sigma \in G$ . Then since  $\bar{C}$  is a  $C_p$ -algebra, and  $J_\sigma$  is rank 1  $C$ -projective,  $\bar{J}_\sigma \cong J_\sigma \otimes_C \bar{C} \cong J_\sigma \otimes_C C_p \otimes_{C_p} \bar{C} \cong C_p \otimes_{C_p} \bar{C} \cong \bar{C}$ . Hence  $\bar{J}_\sigma = \gamma \bar{C}$  for some  $\gamma \in \bar{J}_\sigma$ . Then since  $A_p$  is  $H$ -separable over  $B_p$ ,  $\bar{D} = \bar{D} \bar{J}_\sigma = \bar{J}_\sigma \bar{D} = \gamma \bar{D} = \bar{D} \gamma$ . Hence  $\gamma$  is a unit, and we have  $\sigma(\alpha) = \bar{\gamma}^{-1} \alpha \gamma$  for all  $\alpha \in A_p$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $\sigma$  be an inner automorphism of  $A$  of a finite order, and suppose that  $A$  is a Galois extension of  $B$  relative to  $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ . Then we have  $V_A(B) = C'$  and  $V_A(C') = B$ .*

**Proof.** There exists a unit  $u$  in  $D$  such that  $\sigma(x) = u^{-1} x u$  for all  $x \in A$ . Then  $J_{\sigma^i} = C u^i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , where  $n$  is the order of  $\sigma$ . Since  $\sigma^j(cu^i) = u^{-j} cu^i u^j = cu^i$  for each  $i$ , we have  $\sigma^j|_{J_{\sigma^i}} = \text{identity}$ . Thus we have  $D = \sum^{\oplus} J_{\sigma^i} \subset A^G = B$ , which means that  $D = V_B(B) = C'$ . Finally since  $A$  is  $H$ -separable over  $B$  by Theorem 3 [10], we have  $B = V_A(V_A(B)) = V_A(C')$  by Proposition 3 [10].

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $A$  be an  $H$ -separable Galois extension of  $B$  relative to a cyclic group  $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ . Then we have  $V_A(B) = C'$  and  $V_A(C') = B$ . Furthermore,  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$  is Abelian.*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be any maximal ideal of  $C$ . Then by Proposition 1,  $A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is an inner Galois extension of  $B_{\mathfrak{m}}$  relative to  $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ . Hence  $D_{\mathfrak{m}} \subseteq V_{A_{\mathfrak{m}}}(B_{\mathfrak{m}}) \subseteq B_{\mathfrak{m}}$  by Lemma 2. Thus  $(D+B)_{\mathfrak{m}} = B_{\mathfrak{m}}$  for all maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $C$ . Then  $D+B=B$  and  $D \subset B$ . Hence  $D = C'$ , and  $V_A(C') = V_A(V_A(B)) = B$ . Finally since  $\text{Aut}(A|B) \subseteq \text{Hom}({}_B A_B, {}_B A_B) \cong C' \otimes_C C'$  by Proposition 3.1 [4],  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$  is Abelian.

**Automorphisms in  $H$ -separable extensions.** First observe the following facts. If  $A$  is  $H$ -separable over  $B$ ,  $D$  is  $C$ -finitely generated projective, and consequently  ${}_C C < \oplus_C D$ . Then for any  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(A|B)$ , we have  $J_\sigma J_{\sigma^{-1}} = J_{\sigma^{-1}} J_\sigma = C$ , because  $D J_\sigma = D$ ,  $D J_\sigma J_{\sigma^{-1}} = D J_{\sigma^{-1}} = D$  and  $J_\sigma J_{\sigma^{-1}} = (D J_\sigma J_{\sigma^{-1}}) \cap C = D \cap C = C$ . Thus  $J_\sigma$  is rank 1  $C$ -projective.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $A$  be an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$ . Then all elements of  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$  are inner automorphisms, if  $C$  is a semi-local ring.*

**Proof.** Let  $\sigma$  be any element of  $\text{Aut}(A|B)$ , and  $\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2, \dots, \mathfrak{m}_r$  the set of all maximal ideals of  $C$ . Now we can follow the same lines as the proof of Lemma 1 [6]. Since  $J_\sigma J_{\sigma^{-1}} = C$ , we have  $\mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma \not\subseteq \mathfrak{m}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{m}_{i-1} \mathfrak{m}_{i+1} \cdots \mathfrak{m}_r J_\sigma$  for each  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ). Hence there exists  $a_i$  in  $\mathfrak{m}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{m}_{i-1} \mathfrak{m}_{i+1} \cdots \mathfrak{m}_r J_\sigma$  such that  $a_i \notin \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma$ . Set  $a = \sum a_i$ . Then,  $a \in J_\sigma$  and  $a \notin \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma$  for each  $i$ . But  $J_\sigma$  is rank 1  $C$ -projective. Hence  $[J_\sigma / \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma : C / \mathfrak{m}_i] = 1$ , and  $J_\sigma / \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma = (a + \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma) C / \mathfrak{m}_i$ . Thus we have  $J_\sigma = aC + \mathfrak{m}_i J_\sigma$  for each maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}_i$  of  $C$ . Hence  $J_\sigma = aC$  by Nakayama's Lemma. Then  $Da = aD = D (= D J_\sigma)$ , and  $a$  is a unit. Hence  $\sigma$  is inner.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $A$  be an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$  such that  $V_A(V_A(B)) = B$ . Then if  $C'$  is a semi-local ring, all elements of  $\text{Aut}$*

$(A|B)$  are inner automorphisms.

**Proof.** Let  $J$  be the Jacobson radical of  $C'$ . Then  $C'/J$  is semi-simple artinian, and  $C' = V_B(B) = D \cap B = V_D(D) \supset C$ . Hence  $D$  is finitely generated as  $C'$ -module. Then  $D/JD$  is artinian, and we see that  $JD$  is contained in every maximal left ideal of  $D$  by Nakayama's Lemma. Hence  $D$  is also a semi-local ring. But  $C$  is a  $C$ -direct summand of  $D$ . Hence  $\alpha D \cap C = \alpha$  for any ideal  $\alpha$  of  $C$ . This implies that every proper ideal of  $C$  is contained in a maximal left ideal of  $D$ . If  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $\mathfrak{m}'$  are any two maximal ideals of  $C$  which are contained in a maximal left ideal  $\mathfrak{l}$  of  $D$ , then  $1 \in \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{m}' \subset \mathfrak{l}$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}'$ . Thus we see that  $C$  is a semi-local ring.

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