

## NOTE ON SEMISIMPLE EXTENSIONS AND SEPARABLE EXTENSIONS

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### 1. H-separable extensions

K. Hirata introduced the notion of a type of the separable extension recently in [7], which we shall call H-separable extension in this paper.

Let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be rings with the common identity element. Then we say that  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma$  if  $\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda$  is isomorphic to a direct summand of a finite direct sum of the copies of  $\Lambda$  as two sided  $\Lambda$ -module. Such an extension is necessarily a separable extension i.e.,  ${}_{\Lambda}\Lambda_{\Lambda} < \bigoplus_{\Lambda}\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma}\Lambda_{\Lambda}$  by Th. 2.2 [7]. Let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be an H-separable extension,  $V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma) = \{\lambda \in \Lambda \mid \gamma\lambda = \lambda\gamma \text{ for all } \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ , and  $C$  be the center of  $\Lambda$ . Then,  $\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda \cong \text{Hom}_C(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma), \Lambda)$  and  $V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma)$  is a finitely generated projective generator as  $C$ -module (see § 2 [7]). Now we give some characterizations of H-separable extension and H-separable algebra. We assume all rings have units and all subrings have the same 1.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be rings with the common 1. Then  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  is an H-separable extension if and only if the map  $\eta: \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda)$  such that  $\eta(x \otimes y)(d) = xdy$  is an isomorphism and  $\Delta$  is a finitely generated projective  $C$ -module, where  $C$  is the center of  $\Lambda$  and  $\Delta = V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma)$ .*

Proof. The 'only if' part have been proved in [7]. So we need only to prove the converse. Since  $\Delta$  is a finitely generated projective  $C$ -module, the map  $\varphi: \Delta \otimes_C \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda), \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)$  such that  $\varphi(d \otimes f)(h) = f(hd)$  is an isomorphism. On the other hand, we see  $\text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes \Lambda, \Lambda) \cong \Delta$  by the map  $f \rightarrow f(1)$ . Since the map  $\eta: \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda)$  is an isomorphism, the map

$$\psi: \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda, \Lambda) \otimes_C \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)$$

such that  $\psi(f \otimes g) = g \circ f$  is an isomorphism. This means  ${}_{\Lambda}\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma}\Lambda_{\Lambda} < \bigoplus_{\Lambda}(\sum^n \oplus \Lambda)_{\Lambda}$ . Hence  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 1.1** *Let  $\Lambda$  be an algebra over a commutative ring  $R$  and  $C$  its center. Then,  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable  $R$ -algebra if and only if  $\Lambda$  is separable over  $C$*

and  $C \otimes_R C \cong C$  by the map  $\varphi$  such that  $\varphi(x \otimes y) = xy$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\Lambda$  be an H-separable  $R$ -algebra. Then, by Th. 2.1 and Th. 2.3 [3]  $\Lambda$  is separable over  $C$ , and the map  $\eta_C : \Lambda \otimes_C \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\Lambda, \Lambda)$  such that  $\eta_C(x \otimes y)(\lambda) = x\lambda y$  is an isomorphism. On the other hand, we have the isomorphism  $\eta_R : \Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\Lambda, \Lambda)$  with  $\eta_R(x \otimes y)(\lambda) = x\lambda y$  by Prop. 1.1. Therefore,  $\Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda$  is isomorphic to  $\Lambda \otimes_C \Lambda$  by the map  $\eta_C^{-1} \circ \eta_R(x \otimes y) = (x \otimes y)$ . Then, since  $C$  is a  $C$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$ , it follows  $C \otimes_R C \cong C$ . Conversely, assume  $\Lambda$  is separable over  $C$  and  $C \otimes_R C \cong C$ . Then  $\Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda \cong (\Lambda \otimes_C C) \otimes_R (C \otimes_C \Lambda) \cong \Lambda \otimes_C (C \otimes_R C) \otimes_C \Lambda \cong \Lambda \otimes_C C \otimes_C \Lambda \cong \Lambda \otimes_C \Lambda$ . On the other hand, since  $\Lambda$  is separable over  $C$ ,  $\Lambda = V_\Delta(R)$  is a finitely generated projective  $C$ -module and  $\text{Hom}_C(V_\Delta(R), \Lambda) = \text{Hom}_C(\Lambda, \Lambda) \cong \Lambda \otimes_C \Lambda \cong \Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda$ . Hence  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $R$  by Prop. 1.1.

**EXAMPLE.** Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $S$  a multiplicatively closed subset of  $R$  which does not contain 0. Then  $R_S$ , the ring of quotients of  $R$  with respect to  $S$ , enjoys the condition  $R_S \otimes_R R_S \cong R_S$ , since  $r/s \otimes 1 = r/s \otimes s/s = s/s \otimes r/s = 1 \otimes r/s$  for every  $s \in S$  and  $r \in R$ . Therefore, every central separable  $R_S$ -algebra is an H-separable algebra over  $R$  but not a central separable  $R$ -algebra whenever  $S$  contains non unit elements.

**Proposition 1.2.** *If  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma$  such that  $\Gamma$  is a left (or right)  $\Gamma$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$ , then  $V_\Delta(V_\Delta(\Gamma)) = \Gamma$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $\Gamma$ , the map  $\eta : \Lambda \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda)$  such that  $\eta(x \otimes y)(d) = xdy$  is an isomorphism. Let  $x \in V_\Delta(V_\Delta(\Gamma))$ . Then  $\eta(x \otimes 1)(d) = xd = dx = \eta(1 \otimes x)$  for all  $d \in \Delta$ . Hence  $x \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes x$ . Then it is easy to show that  $x \in \Gamma$ , since  $\Gamma$  is a left (or right)  $\Gamma$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$ .

**Corollary 1.1.** *An  $R$ -algebra  $\Lambda$  is central separable over  $R$  if and only if  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $R$  and  $R$  is an  $R$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$ .*

**Proposition 1.3.** *Let  $\Lambda$  be an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma$  and  $B$  a subring of  $\Lambda$  which contains  $\Gamma$  and is a  $B$ - $\Gamma$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$  as left  $B$  and right  $\Gamma$  module. Then the map  $\eta_B : B \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Lambda)$ , where  $D = V_\Delta(B)$  and  $\Delta = V_\Delta(\Gamma)$ , such that  $\eta_B(x \otimes y)(d) = xdy$  is an isomorphism and  $\Delta$  is a finitely generated projective left  $D$ -module, and  $V_\Delta(V_\Delta(B)) = B$ .*

**Proof.**  ${}_B B_\Gamma \leq \bigoplus_B \Lambda_\Gamma$  implies  ${}_B B \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda_\Delta \leq \bigoplus_B \Lambda \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda_\Delta \leq \bigoplus_B (\sum^n \bigoplus \Lambda)_\Delta$ . On the other hand,  $\text{Hom}_{B \otimes_R \Lambda^0}(B \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda, \Lambda) = V_\Delta(\Gamma) = \Delta$ , where  $R$  is the center of  $\Gamma$ . Then, by Th. 1.2 (ii) [7] we see  $\eta_B : B \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Lambda)$  is an isomorphism, while Th. 1.2 (iii) [7] shows  $\text{Hom}_{B \otimes_R \Lambda^0}(B \otimes_\Gamma \Lambda, \Lambda) = \Delta$  is a finitely generated projective left  $D$ -module. Now we have a commutative diagram of canonical maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\eta_B} & \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Lambda) \\
 \downarrow \tau & & \downarrow \tau' \\
 \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\eta_{\Lambda}} & \text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda)
 \end{array}$$

where  $\tau, \tau'$  are monomorphisms and  $\eta_{\Lambda}, \eta_B$  are isomorphisms. Let  $x \in V_{\Lambda}(V_{\Lambda}(B)) = V_{\Lambda}(D)$ . Then  $\eta_{\Lambda}(x \otimes 1)$  is a left  $D$ -homomorphism. Hence there exists  $\sum b_i \otimes \lambda_i \in B \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda \subset \oplus \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda$  such that  $\eta_{\Lambda}(\sum b_i \otimes \lambda_i) = \eta_{\Lambda}(x \otimes 1)$ , which implies  $\sum b_i \otimes \lambda_i = x \otimes 1$ . Since  ${}_B B_{\Gamma} \subset \oplus {}_B \Lambda_{\Gamma}$  we see  $x \in B$  by the map  $\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda: x \otimes y \rightarrow xy$ .

**Proposition 1.4.** *Let  $\Lambda, \Gamma$  and  $B$  be as in Prop. 1.3. Assume furthermore that  $B$  is a separable extension of  $\Gamma$ . Then  $D$  is a direct summand of  $\Delta$  as two sided  $D$ -module, and  $\Lambda$  is an  $H$ -separable extension of  $B$ .*

Proof. Since  $B$  is separable over  $\Gamma$ , there exists  $\sum x_i \otimes y_i \in B \otimes_{\Gamma} B$  such that  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$  and  $\sum b x_i \otimes y_i = \sum x_i \otimes y_i b$  for every  $b \in B$ . Then, the map  $f: \Delta \rightarrow D$  such that  $f(d) = \sum x_i d y_i$  ( $d \in \Delta$ ) is a  $D$ - $D$ -homomorphism such that  $f \circ i = 1_D$ , where  $i$  is the inclusion map. Hence,  $D$  is a  $D$ - $D$ -direct summand of  $\Delta$ . Let  $\pi$  be the projection of  $\Delta$  onto  $D$ . Then we have a  $B$ - $\Gamma$ -homomorphism  $\varphi'$  of  ${}_B \Lambda_{\Gamma}$  into  ${}_B \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Lambda)_{\Gamma}$  such that  $\varphi'(\lambda) = \lambda^r \circ \pi$ , where  $\lambda^r$  means right multiplication of  $\lambda$ . Thus we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\eta_B} & \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Lambda) \\
 \eta_B \downarrow & \swarrow \varphi & \uparrow \varphi' \\
 \Lambda & \xleftarrow{1_{\Lambda}} & \Lambda
 \end{array}$$

where  $\pi_B(b \otimes \lambda) = b\lambda$ ,  $\varphi(h) = h(1)$  and  $\eta_B$  is an isomorphism, and all of them are right  $\Lambda$  and left  $B$ -maps. Since  $\varphi' \circ \eta_B \circ \pi_B = 1$ ,  $\pi_B$  splits as  $B$ - $\Lambda$ -map. Consequently, we have  $\Lambda \otimes_B \Lambda \subset \oplus \Lambda \otimes_B (B \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda) \cong \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda$ . Then, since  $\Lambda \otimes_{\Lambda} \Lambda \subset \oplus \Lambda \otimes_{\Lambda} \Lambda$ ,  ${}_{\Lambda} \Lambda \otimes_B \Lambda_{\Lambda} \subset \oplus_{\Lambda} \sum \oplus \Lambda_{\Lambda}$ . This completes the proof.

Finally we shall give some formal properties of  $H$ -separable extensions.

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be a ring extension. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (a)  $\Lambda$  is an  $H$ -separable extension of  $\Gamma$ .
- (b) The map  $g: \Delta \otimes_C (\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)^{\Lambda} \rightarrow (\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)^{\Gamma}$  such that  $g(d \otimes \alpha) = d\alpha$  is an epimorphism.
- (c) For every two sided  $\Lambda$ -module  $M$ , the map  $g: \Delta \otimes_C M^{\Lambda} \rightarrow M^{\Gamma}$  is an isomorphism, where  $M^{\Omega} = \{m \in M \mid mx = xm \text{ for every } x \in \Omega\}$ .

Proof. (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c). Since  $\Lambda$  is  $H$ -separable over  $\Gamma$ ,  $\Delta$  is  $C$ -finitely generated projective. Therefore we have  $\Delta \otimes_C M^{\Lambda} \cong \Delta \otimes_C \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, M) \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda), M) \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes \Lambda, M) \cong M^{\Gamma}$ .

As (c)⇒(b) is trivial, we will prove (b)⇒(a).

(b)⇒(a). Since  $\Delta \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda, \Lambda)$ , we have  $\Delta \otimes_C (\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)^{\wedge} \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda, \Lambda) \otimes_C \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda) \cong (\Lambda \otimes \Lambda)^{\Gamma} \cong \text{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda)$ . Hence  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma$  (see Prop. 1.1[7]).

**Proposition 1.5.** *Let  $f$  be a ring epimorphism from  $\Lambda_1$  to  $\Lambda_2$ ,  $f(\Gamma_1)=\Gamma_2$  for a subring  $\Gamma_1$  of  $\Lambda_1$ ,  $C_i$  the center of  $\Lambda_i$ , and  $\Delta_i=V_{\Delta_i}(\Gamma_i)$  for  $i=1, 2$ . If  $\Lambda_1$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma_1$ , then  $\Lambda_2$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma_2$  and  $\Delta \otimes_{C_1} C_2 \cong \Delta_2$ .*

Proof. Let  $M$  be an arbitrary two sided  $\Lambda_2$ -module. Then  $M$  becomes a two sided  $\Lambda_1$ -module by  $f$ , and  $M^{\Lambda_1}=M^{\Lambda_2}$  and  $M^{\Gamma_1}=M^{\Gamma_2}$ . Therefore we have  $\Delta_1 \otimes_{C_1} M^{\Lambda_2}=M^{\Gamma_2}$  by Theorem 1.2. Taking  $M=\Lambda_2$ , we have  $\Delta_1 \otimes_{C_1} C_2=\Delta_2$ . Then  $\Delta_2 \otimes_{C_2} M^{\Lambda_2}=\Delta_1 \otimes_{C_1} C_2 \otimes_{C_2} M^{\Lambda_2} \cong \Delta_1 \otimes_{C_1} M^{\Lambda_1}=M^{\Gamma_1}=M^{\Gamma_2}$  for any two sided  $\Lambda_2$ -module  $M$ , which means  $\Lambda_2$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma_2$ .

**Proposition 1.6.** *Let  $\Omega \supseteq \Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be rings with the common 1. If both  $\Omega \supseteq \Lambda$  and  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  are H-separable extensions,  $\Omega \supseteq \Gamma$  is also an H-separable extension. If furthermore  $V_{\Lambda}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))=\Gamma$  and  $V_{\Omega}(V_{\Omega}(\Lambda))=\Lambda$ , then  $V_{\Omega}(V_{\Omega}(\Gamma))=\Gamma$ .*

Proof. Let  $\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda < \bigoplus \sum^m \bigoplus \Lambda$  and  $\Omega \otimes_{\Lambda} \Omega < \bigoplus \sum^n \bigoplus \Omega$ . Then  $\Omega \otimes_{\Gamma} \Omega \cong \Omega \otimes_{\Lambda} (\Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda) \otimes_{\Lambda} \Omega < \bigoplus \sum^m \bigoplus \Omega \otimes_{\Lambda} \Lambda \otimes_{\Lambda} \Omega \cong \sum^m \bigoplus \Omega \otimes_{\Lambda} \Omega < \bigoplus \sum^{mn} \bigoplus \Omega$  as two sided-module. Hence  $\Omega$  is H-separable over  $\Gamma$ . Assume  $V_{\Lambda}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))=\Gamma$  and  $V_{\Omega}(V_{\Omega}(\Lambda))=\Lambda$ . Since  $V_{\Omega}(\Gamma)=V_{\Omega}(\Lambda) \cdot V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma)$  by Theorem 1.2,  $V_{\Omega}(V_{\Omega}(\Gamma))=V_{\Omega}(V_{\Omega}(\Lambda)) \cap V_{\Omega}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))=\Lambda \cap V_{\Omega}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))=V_{\Lambda}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))=\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 1.7.** *Let  $\Lambda_i, \Gamma_i$  be algebras over a commutative ring  $R$  for  $i=1, 2$ . If  $\Lambda_i$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma_i$  for  $i=1, 2$ ,  $\Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2$  is an H-separable extension of  $\text{Im}(\Gamma_1 \otimes_R \Gamma_2)$ .*

Proof. Since  $(\Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2) \otimes_{\Gamma_1 \otimes_R \Gamma_2} (\Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2) \cong (\Lambda_1 \otimes_{\Gamma_1} \Lambda_1) \otimes_R (\Lambda_2 \otimes_{\Gamma_2} \Lambda_2)$ , if  $\Lambda_1 \otimes_{\Gamma_1} \Lambda_1 < \bigoplus \sum^m \bigoplus \Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2 \otimes_{\Gamma_2} \Lambda_2 < \bigoplus \sum^n \bigoplus \Lambda_2$ ,  $(\Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2) \otimes_{\Gamma_1 \otimes_R \Gamma_2} (\Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2) < \bigoplus \sum^{mn} \bigoplus \Lambda_1 \otimes_R \Lambda_2$ . This completes the proof.

## 2. Semisimple extensions

Again let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be rings with common 1 in this section. We say that  $\Lambda$  is a left semisimple extension over  $\Gamma$  if every left  $\Lambda$ -module is  $(\Lambda, \Gamma)$ -projective, and that  $\Lambda$  is a weak left semisimple extension over  $\Gamma$  if every finitely generated  $\Lambda$ -module is  $(\Lambda, \Gamma)$ -projective. An algebra over a commutative ring  $R$  is said to be a left semisimple algebra over  $R$  if it is a weak left semisimple extension over  $R \cdot 1$ . In the previous paper [6] we showed.

**Lemma 2.1.** (Prop. 1.6 [6]). *Let  $\Lambda$  be a left semisimple extension over  $\Gamma$ . If  $\Lambda$  is left  $\Gamma$ -projective or right  $\Gamma$ -flat, then  $l. gl. dim \Lambda \leq l. gl. dim \Gamma$ . If a weak left semisimple extension  $\Lambda$  of  $\Gamma$  is right  $\Gamma$ -flat, we have also  $l. gl. dim \Lambda \leq l. gl. dim \Gamma$ .*

**Lemma 2.2.** *If a ring  $\Lambda$  is left projective over its subring  $\Gamma$ , and if  $\Gamma$  is  $\Gamma$ - $\Gamma$ -isomorphic to  $\Gamma'$  a two sided  $\Gamma$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$ ,  $l. gl. dim \Lambda \geq l. gl. dim \Gamma$ .*

Proof. Let  ${}_{\Gamma}\Lambda_{\Gamma} = {}_{\Gamma}\Gamma' \oplus {}_{\Gamma}\Lambda'_{\Gamma}$  as two sided  $\Gamma$ -module and  $I$  be an arbitrary left ideal of  $\Gamma$ . Since  $\Lambda I = \Gamma' I \oplus \Lambda' I \cong I \oplus \Lambda' I$  as left  $\Gamma$ -module,  $\Lambda/\Lambda I \cong \Gamma/I \oplus \Lambda'/\Lambda' I$  as left  $\Gamma$ -module. Suppose  $l. gl. dim \Lambda \leq n$ . Then  $\dim_{\Lambda} \Lambda/\Lambda I \leq n$ . As  $\Lambda$  is  $\Gamma$ -projective,  $\dim_{\Gamma} \Lambda/\Lambda I \leq \dim_{\Lambda} \Lambda/\Lambda I$ . Since  $\Lambda/\Lambda I \cong \Gamma/I \oplus \Lambda'/\Lambda' I$ ,  $\dim_{\Gamma} \Lambda/\Lambda I = \max(\dim_{\Gamma} \Gamma/I, \dim_{\Gamma} \Lambda'/\Lambda' I) \geq \dim_{\Gamma} \Gamma/I$ . Thus we see  $l. gl. dim \Gamma/I \leq n$  for every left ideal  $I$  of  $\Gamma$ . Since  $l. gl. dim \Gamma = \sup l. gl. dim \Gamma/I$  where  $I$  runs over all left ideals of  $\Gamma$ ,  $l. gl. dim \Gamma \leq n$ . Hence  $l. gl. dim \Gamma \leq l. gl. dim \Lambda$ .

Combining Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2, we have

**Proposition 2.1.** *If  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be a left semisimple extension such that  $\Gamma$  is  $\Gamma$ - $\Gamma$ -isomorphic to a two sided  $\Gamma$ -direct summand of  $\Lambda$  and  $\Lambda$  is left  $\Gamma$ -projective, then  $l. gl. dim \Lambda = l. gl. dim \Gamma$ .*

**Theorem 2.1.** *If an  $R$ -algebra  $\Lambda$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -projective and left semisimple  $R$ -algebra,  $l. gl. dim \Lambda = l. gl. dim R/\alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is the annihilator of  $\Lambda$  in  $R$ . Consequently, when  $\Lambda$  is (two sided) semisimple over  $R$ ,  $l. gl. dim \Lambda = r. gl. dim \Lambda$ .*

Proof. If  $\Lambda$  is  $R$ -finitely generated projective,  $\Lambda$  is  $R/\alpha$ -finitely generated projective, and  $\Lambda$  is an  $R/\alpha$ -generator. Hence  $R/\alpha < \oplus \Lambda$  as  $R/\alpha$ -module. Since  $\Lambda$  is  $R/\alpha$ -projective, it is  $R/\alpha$ -flat. Therefore, the proof is straightforward by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2.

REMARK. Th. 2.1 shows that if  $\Lambda$  is a central separable  $R$ -algebra,  $l. gl. dim \Lambda = r. gl. dim \Lambda = gl. dim R$ . Th. 2.1 induces the well known fact that  $l. gl. dim \Lambda = 0$  if and only if  $r. gl. dim \Lambda = 0$  in case  $R$  is a field or a semisimple ring.

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*Added in proof.* K. Hirata kindly advised me that Proposition 1.1 can be stated in noncommutative case as follows.

**Theorem 1.3'.** *Let  $\Lambda \supseteq \Gamma$  be an H-separable extension. Then  $\Lambda$  is H-separable extension of  $\Gamma' = V_{\Lambda}(V_{\Lambda}(\Gamma))$ . If  $\Gamma'$  is left and right  $\Gamma'$ -direct summands of  $\Lambda$ , then  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $\Gamma'$  and  $\Gamma' \otimes_{\Gamma} \Gamma' \cong \Gamma'$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $\Gamma$ , we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma} \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \Lambda \otimes_{\Gamma'} \Lambda \\
 \eta \downarrow & & \downarrow \eta' \\
 \text{Hom}_C(\Delta, \Lambda) & & 
 \end{array}$$

where  $\eta$  is an isomorphism and  $\varphi(x \otimes y) = x \otimes y$  is an epimorphism. Hence  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism, and  $\Lambda$  is an H-separable extension of  $\Gamma'$ . The rest of the proof is same as Theorem 1.1.

The next is a corollary to Theorem 1.1.

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $\Lambda$  be a faithful  $R$ -algebra. Then  $\Lambda$  is a central separable  $R$ -algebra, if and only if  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $R$  and a finitely generated  $R$ -module.*

*Proof.* The ‘only if’ part is clear, so we need only to prove the converse. Let  $C$  be the center of  $\Lambda$ . Since  $\Lambda$  is H-separable over  $R$ ,  $C < \oplus \Lambda$ . Hence  $C$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module, as  $\Lambda$  is  $R$ -finitely generated. Since  $C \otimes_R C \cong C$  by Theorem 1.1,  $C/mC \otimes_{R/m} C/mC \cong C/mC$  for every maximal ideal  $m$  of  $R$ . Therefore we have  $C/mC = R/m$ , and  $C = R + mC$  for every maximal ideal  $m$  of  $R$ . Hence  $C = R$ , and  $\Lambda$  is central separable over  $R$ .