

26. On Odd Type Galois Extension with Involution of Semi-local Rings^{*}

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1. Introduction. In [3], the notion of odd type G -Galois extension with involution was defined as follows: If $A \supset B$ is a G -Galois extension and A has an involution $A \rightarrow A; a \rightsquigarrow \bar{a}$, which is compatible with every element σ of G , i.e. $\sigma(\bar{a}) = \overline{\sigma(a)}$ for all $a \in A$, then $A \supset B$ is called a G -Galois extension with involution. A G -Galois extension with involution $A \supset B$ is called odd type, if A has an element u satisfying the following conditions;

- 1) u is an invertible element in the fixed subring of the center of A by the involution,
- 2) a hermitian left B -module (A, b_i^u) defined by $b_i^u: A \times A \rightarrow B; (x, y) \rightsquigarrow t_\sigma(ux\bar{y}) = \sum_{\sigma \in G} \sigma(ux\bar{y})$, is isometric to an orthogonal sum of $\langle 1 \rangle$ and a metabolic B -module.

If A, B are fields and $A \supset B$ is a G -Galois extension with involution, it was known that $A \supset B$ is odd type if and only if the order of G is odd. In this note, we want to extend this to semi-local rings. When $A \supset B$ is a G -Galois extension with involution of commutative rings, it is easily seen that an odd type G -Galois extension implies $|G| = \text{odd}$. For semi-local rings A and B , we shall show that the converse holds in the following cases:

I. The involution is trivial and $|B/\mathfrak{m}| \geq |G|$ for every maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} of B , where $|B/\mathfrak{m}|$ and $|G|$ denote numbers of elements of B/\mathfrak{m} and G , respectively.

II. The involution is non-trivial and for each maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} of B the following conditions are satisfied;

- 1) $|B/\mathfrak{m}| \geq 2|G|$, 2) if $\bar{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathfrak{m}$, the involution induces a non-trivial one on $A/\mathfrak{m}A$.

III. B is a local ring with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} , and the involution is non-trivial on A but induces a trivial one on $A/\mathfrak{m}A$. Furthermore, $|B/\mathfrak{m}| \geq |G|$ and B/\mathfrak{m} is either a field with the characteristic not 2 or a finite field. Throughout this paper, every ring is a commutative semi-local ring with identity and $A \supset B$ denotes a G -Galois extension with involution.

2. Galois extension with trivial involution. Lemma 1. *Let*

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