

## 101. On QF-Extensions in an H-Separable Extension

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Throughout the present note,  $A/B$  will represent a ring extension with common identity 1,  $V$  the centralizer  $V_A(B)$  of  $B$  in  $A$ , and  $C$  the center of  $A$ . Following K. Hirata [2],  $A/B$  is called an  $H$ -separable extension if  $A \otimes_B A$  is  $A$ - $A$ -isomorphic to an  $A$ - $A$ -direct summand of a finite direct sum of copies of  $A$ . To be easily seen,  $A/B$  is  $H$ -separable if and only if there exist some  $v_i \in V$  ( $i=1, \dots, m$ ) and casimir elements  $\sum_j x_{ij} \otimes y_{ij}$  of  $A \otimes_B A$  (which means  $(\sum_j x_{ij} \otimes y_{ij})x = x(\sum_j x_{ij} \otimes y_{ij})$  for all  $x \in A$ ) such that  $\sum_{i,j} x_{ij} \otimes y_{ij} v_i = 1 \otimes 1$  (cf. [4; Proposition 1]). Such a system  $\{v_i; \sum_j x_{ij} \otimes y_{ij}\}_i$  will be called an  $H$ -system for  $A/B$ . On the other hand,  $A/B$  is called a left QF-extension if  ${}_B A$  is finitely generated (abbr. f.g.) projective and there exist some  $f_r \in \text{Hom}({}_B A_B, {}_B B_B)$  ( $r=1, \dots, n$ ) and casimir elements  $\sum_s c_{rs} \otimes d_{rs}$  of  $A \otimes_B A$  such that  $\sum_{r,s} c_{rs} f_r(d_{rs}) = 1$ . Such a system  $\{f_r; \sum_s c_{rs} \otimes d_{rs}\}_r$  will be called a left QF-system for  $A/B$ . Quite symmetrically, a right QF-extension and a right QF-system can be defined, and  $A/B$  is called a QF-extension if  $A/B$  is left QF and right QF. One will easily see that  $A/B$  is QF if and only if there exist a left QF-system and a right QF-system for  $A/B$ .

The notion of an  $H$ -system will provide a new technique to reconstruct the commutor theory in  $H$ -separable extensions developed in [2], [3] and [5]. In this note, we use the technique to prove the following which are motivated by [4; Theorems 4 and 5]:

**Theorem 1.** *Assume that  $A/B$  is an  $H$ -separable extension. Let  $B'$  be an intermediate ring of  $A/B$  with  $V' = V_A(B')$  such that  $V_A(V') = B'$  and  ${}_V V'_V < \bigoplus_V V'_V$  ( $V'$  is a  $V'$ - $V'$ -direct summand of  $V$ ).*

(1) *If there exists a left (resp. right) QF-system for  $A/B'$  then  $V'/C$  is right (resp. left) QF.*

(2) *If there exists a right (resp. left) QF-system for  $V'/C$  then  $A_{B'}$  (resp.  ${}_B A$ ) is f.g. projective and there exists a left (resp. right) QF-system for  $A/B'$ .*

(3)  *$A/B'$  is QF if and only if so is  $V'/C$ .*

**Theorem 2.** *Assume that  $A/B$  is an  $H$ -separable extension. Let  $B'$  be an intermediate ring of  $A/B$  with  $V' = V_A(B')$  such that  ${}_B B'_B < \bigoplus_B A_{B'}$ .*

(1) *If there exists a left (resp. right) QF-system for  $B'/B$ , then  ${}_V V$  (resp.  $V_V$ ) is f.g. projective and there exists a right (resp. left)*