

## QF-3 AND SEMI-PRIMARY PP-RINGS I

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Recently the author has given a characterization of semi-primary hereditary ring in [4]. Furthermore, those results in [4] have been extended to a semi-primary PP-ring in [3], (a ring  $A$  is called a *left PP-ring* if every principal left ideal in  $A$  is  $A$ -projective).

This short note is a continuous work of [3] and [4]. Let  $K$  be a field and  $A$  an algebra over  $K$  with finite dimension.  $A$  is called a *QF-3 algebra* if  $A$  has a unique minimal faithful representation ([10]). Mochizuki has considered a hereditary QF-3 algebra in [6].

In this note we shall study a PP-ring with minimal condition or of semi-primary. To this purpose we generalize a notion of QF-3 algebra in a case of ring. We call  $A$  *left (resp. right) QF-3 ring* if  $A$  has a faithful, injective, projective left (resp. right) ideal, (cf. [5], Theorems 3.1 and 3.2).

Let  $1 = \sum E_i$  be a decomposition of the identity element 1 of a semi-primary ring  $A$  into a sum of mutually orthogonal idempotents such that  $E_i$  modulo the radical  $N$  is the identity element of simple component of  $A/N$ . If  $Ax$  is  $A$ -projective for all  $x \in E_i A E_j$ , we call  $A$  a *partially PP-ring*, (see [3], §2). Such a class of rings contains properly classes of semi-primary hereditary rings and PP-rings.

Our main theorems are as follows: *Let  $A$  be directly indecomposable and a left QF-3 ring and semi-primary partially PP-ring. Then 1) there exists a unique primitive idempotent  $e$  in  $A$  (up to isomorphism) such that  $eN = (0)$  and every indecomposable left injective ideal in  $A$  is faithful, projective and isomorphic to  $Ae$ . Furthermore,  $A$  is a right QF-3 ring. 2) Let  $B = \text{Hom}_{eAe}(Ae, Ae)$ , where  $Ae$  is regarded as a right  $eAe$ -module. Then  $eAe$  is a division ring and  $B = (eAe)_n^{1)}$ .  $B$  is a left and right injective envelope of  $A$  as an  $A$ -module and  $B$  is  $A$ -projective. Furthermore, if  $A$  is hereditary, then  $A$  is a generalized uniserial ring whose basic ring is of triangular matrices over a division ring. (Mochizuki proved in [6] the above fact 2) in a case of hereditary algebra over a field with finite dimension).*

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1)  $(A)_n$  means a ring of matrices over a ring  $A$  with degree  $n$ .

We always consider a ring  $A$  with identity element 1 and every  $A$ -module is unitary.

**1. Preliminary Lemmas.**

In this paper we make use of some results in [3], [4] very often and we shall here summarize them.

Let  $1 = \sum_{i=1}^t E_i$  be a decomposition of 1 into a sum of mutually orthogonal idempotents  $E_i$ . We assume that  $E_i A E_j = (0)$  for  $i < j$  and  $E_i A E_i$  is semi-simple with minimal conditions. Then

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} A = S_1 & \\ & \oplus E_2 A E_1 \oplus S_2 \\ & \dots\dots\dots \\ & \dots\dots\dots \\ & \oplus E_t A E_1 \oplus \dots \oplus E_t A E_{t-1} \oplus S_t \end{aligned}$$

as a module, where  $S_i = E_i A E_i$ .

By  $T_i(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j} \equiv E_i A E_j)$  we denote the above expression, and we call it a *generalized triangular matrix ring over  $S_i$*  (briefly g.t.a. matrix ring).

Let  $S_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} \oplus T_{i,j}$ ;  $T_{i,j}$  is a simple ring. Then we can easily check that

$$(2) \quad \mathfrak{M}_{p,q} \approx \begin{pmatrix} M_{1,1} & \dots & M_{1,\rho(q)} \\ M_{2,1} & \dots & M_{2,\rho(q)} \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ M_{\rho(p),1} & \dots & M_{\rho(p),\rho(q)} \end{pmatrix}$$

as a  $S_p - S_q$  module, where  $M_{i,s}$  is a  $T_{p,i} - T_{q,s}$  module and the operations of  $S_p$  and  $S_q$  are naturally defined on the right side of (2).

From [3], p. 160 and the proof of [4], Proposition 10 we have

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $A$  be a semi-primary partially PP-ring. Then  $A$  is isomorphic to  $T_i(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j})$  such that every row of (2) is non-zero and  $AE_1$  is a faithful  $A$ -module. Furthermore, let  $\{e_i\}$  be a set of non-isomorphic mutually orthogonal primitive idempotents  $e_i$  such that  $e_i N = (0)$ , then  $E_1 \approx \sum e_i$  and every faithful projective  $A$ -module contains  $AE_1$  as a direct summand, where  $E_1 = T_i(1_1, 0, \dots, 0; 0)$  and  $1_1$  is the identity element in  $S_1$ .*

If  $A$  is isomorphic to  $T_i(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j})$  as in Lemma 1, we call  $T_i(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j})$  a *normal right representation of  $A$  as a g.t.a. matrix ring*.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $A$  be as in Lemma 1. Then  $\mathfrak{M}_{i,j} \otimes_{S_j} S_j x \approx \mathfrak{M}_{i,j} x$  and  $y S_i \otimes_{S_i} \mathfrak{M}_{i,k} \approx y \mathfrak{M}_{i,k}$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{M}_{j,t}$  and  $y \in \mathfrak{M}_{l,i}$ .*

See [3], Lemma 5.

Let  $K$  be a field and  $A$  a  $K$ -algebra with finite dimension. Jans showed in [5] that  $A$  has a unique minimal faithful representation if and only if  $A$  has faithful, projective, injective left ideal  $L$ . Since  $L$  is projective, we know that  $\text{Hom}_K(L, K)$  is faithful, projective, injective right  $A$ -module.

We are interested in a case of a triangular matrices with minimal conditions. We shall generalize the above fact in this case.

Now we assume that  $A$  is a g.t.a. matrix ring over semi-simple rings  $S_i$ ;  $A = T_n(S_i; M_{i,j})$ .

If  $e$  is a primitive idempotent, then  $eAe$  is division ring. By  $B$  we denote  $eAe$ . Since  $A$  satisfies the minimal conditions,  $[Ae : B]_r^{2)} < \infty$  by [4], § 5.

The following lemma is well known in a case of algebra over a field.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $A, B$  and  $e$  be as above. If  $Ae$  is  $A$ -injective, then  $\text{Hom}_B(Ae, B)$  is right  $A$ -projective and injective.*

*Proof.* For a finitely generated left  $A$ -module  $M$  we have  $\text{Hom}_B(Ae, B) \otimes_A M \approx \text{Hom}_B(\text{Hom}_A(M, Ae), B)$  from [1], p. 120, Proposition 5.3. This isomorphism implies that  $\text{Hom}_B(Ae, B)$  is right  $A$ -flat. Hence,  $\text{Hom}_B(Ae, B)$  is  $A$ -projective by [2]. On the other hand, from an isomorphism:  $\text{Hom}_A(N, \text{Hom}_B(Ae, B)) \approx \text{Hom}_B(N \otimes_A Ae, B)$  in [1], p. 120 for a right  $A$ -module  $N$  we know that  $\text{Hom}_B(Ae, B)$  is  $A$ -injective, since  $Ae$  is  $A$ -flat.

**Proposition 1<sup>3)</sup>.** *Let  $A$  be a g.t.a. matrix ring over semi-simple rings with minimal conditions. If  $A$  has a faithful, injective, projective left ideal, then  $A$  has a faithful, injective, projective right ideal.*

*Proof.* Let  $L$  be a faithful, injective, projective left ideal  $L = \sum \oplus Ae_i$ ;  $e_i$  primitive idempotent. Put  $B_i = e_i Ae_i$  and  $C_i = \text{Hom}_{B_i}(Ae_i, B_i)$ . Then  $C_i$  is right  $A$ -projective and injective. Let  $x \neq 0$  in  $A$ . Since  $L$  is faithful,  $x Ae_i \neq 0$  for some  $i$ . Since  $B_i$  is a division ring, there exists  $g$  in  $C_i$  such that  $g(x Ae_i) \neq (0)$ . Therefore, if we put  $R' = \sum \oplus C_i$ , then  $R'$  is a faithful, projective, right  $A$ -module. Since  $C_i \approx \sum \oplus e_i' A$ , we have a faithful, projective, injective right ideal.

If  $A$  has a faithful, projective, injective left (resp. right) ideal, then we call  $A$  a *left (resp. right) QF-3 ring*.

If  $A$  is a g.t.a. matrix ring over semi-simple rings with minimal conditions, then a left QF-3 ring is a right QF-3 and conversely by

2)  $[Ae : B]_r$ , means the dimension of  $Ae$  as a right  $B$ -module.

3) Added in proof. We shall show in [12] that if  $A$  satisfies minimum conditions, then  $A$  is left QF-3 if and only if  $A$  is right QF-3.

Proposition 1. However, we do not know whether it is true in a general ring with minimal conditions.<sup>3)</sup>

We quote here the concept of basic ring following Osima [8].

Let

$$(3) \quad 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} e_{i,j}$$

be a decomposition of the identity element 1 of  $A$  into the sum of mutually orthogonal primitive idempotents such that  $e_{i,j} \approx e_{h,k}$  if and only if  $i=h$ .

For each  $i$  we denote  $e_{i,1}$  by  $e_i^*$ . Let  $e^* = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} e_{i,j}$ . We call  $A^* = e^* A e^*$  the *basic ring* of  $A$  relative to the decomposition (3). We can find elements  $c_{i,1j} \in e_{i,1} A e_{i,j}$  and  $c_{i,j1} \in e_{i,j} A e_{i,1}$  such that  $c_{i,1j} c_{i,j1} = e_{i,1}$  and  $c_{i,j1} c_{i,1j} = e_{i,j}$ . Put  $c_{i,jk} = c_{i,j1} c_{i,1k}$ . We may assume  $e_{i,11} = e_{i,1}$ . Then we have

$$c_{i,jk} c_{i',j'k'} = \delta_{i,i'} \delta_{k,j'} c_{i,jk'}$$

$A$  can be written

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} \sum_{h=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{\rho(h)} c_{i,j1} A^* c_{h,1k}$$

The following observation is a direct proof of [7], Lemma 7.2. Let  $M^*$  be a left  $A^*$ -module. We put

$$M = E(M^*) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} \oplus c_{i,j1} e_i^* M^*,$$

where  $c_{i,j1} e_i^* M^* \approx e_i^* M^*$  as a module. We can directly check that  $M$  is a left  $A$ -module and  $e^* M = M^*$ . Conversely, let  $M$  be a left  $A$ -module.

Then  $M = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\rho(i)} \oplus e_{i,j} M$  and  $M^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus e_{i,1} M$  is a left  $A^*$ -module. We define a mapping  $\varphi$  of  $M$  to  $E(M^*)$  by setting

$$\varphi(e_{i,j} m_{i,j}) = c_{i,j1} e_{i,1} m_{i,j}$$

Then we can easily check that  $M \approx E(M^*)$  as a left  $A$ -module.

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be left  $A$ -modules. Then

$$\text{Hom}_A(N, M) = \text{Hom}_A(\sum c_{i,j1} N, \sum c_{i,j1} M)$$

For elements  $f_{i,11} \in \text{Hom}_{e_i^* A e_i^*}(c_{i,11} N, c_{i,11} M)$  and  $f_{i,j1} \in \text{Hom}_{e_{i,j} A e_{i,j}}(c_{i,j1} N, c_{i,j1} M)$  we consider a diagram:

$$(4) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} c_{i,11} N & \xrightarrow{f_{i,11}} & c_{i,11} M \\ \downarrow c_{i,j1} & f_{i,j1} & \downarrow c_{i,j1} \\ c_{i,j1} N & \xrightarrow{\quad} & c_{i,j1} M \end{array}$$

Then we can easily see that the diagram (4) is commutative for  $f_{i,j_1} = f|_{c_{i,j_1}N}$  and  $f \in \text{Hom}_A(N, M)$ . Conversely let  $M^*$  and  $N^*$  be left  $A^*$ -modules. For  $f_i^* = f^*|_{e_i^*N}$  of  $f^*$  in  $\text{Hom}_{A^*}(N^*, M^*)$  we define  $f_{i,j_1}$  such that  $f_{i,j_1} = f_i^*$  and the diagram (4) is commutative. Then we can show that  $f = \sum f_{i,j_1}$  is in  $\text{Hom}_A(N, M)$ . Thus we have

**Lemma 4.** *A is a left QF-3 ring if and only if so is a basic ring of A. (cf. [11], Proposition 5).*

**2. Main theorems.**

In this section we consider a semi-primary QF-3 partially PP-ring A. From Lemma 4, [4], Corollary 1 and [3], Remark 1 and Lemma 4 we have

**Proposition 2.** *If A is a semi-primary left QF-3 and hereditary (resp. PP- or partially PP-) ring, then so is a basic ring of A. In the case of hereditary ring the converse is true.*

By N we denote the radical of A.

**Proposition 3.** *Let A be a left QF-3 and partially PP-ring and semi-primary. Let  $\{e_i\}$  be a set of mutually orthogonal primitive non-isomorphic idempotents such that  $e_iN = (0)$ . Then  $L = \sum \oplus Ae_i$  is a unique minimal left faithful, projective, injective A-module.*

Proof. It is clear from the definition and Lemma 1.

From Proposition 2 we may first restrict ourselves in a case where A coincides with its basic ring. Then  $A/N = \sum \oplus \Delta_i$ ;  $\Delta_i$  a division ring.

Let A be a g.t.a. matrix ring over division rings  $\Delta_i$ ;  $T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$ . We put  $C(i) = \{k | M_{k,i} \neq (0)\}$  and  $R(j) = \{k | M_{j,k} \neq (0)\}$ .

**Lemma 5.**<sup>4)</sup> *Let A be as in Proposition 3 and  $A = T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$ . We assume  $Ae_i$  is A-injective. If t is the maximal index in C(i), then  $C(i) = R(t)$ , where  $e_i = T_n(o, o, 1_i, o, o; o)$  and  $1_i$  is the identity element of  $\Delta_i$ .*

Proof. Put  $C(i) \equiv \{i(1) < i(2) < \dots < i(k) = t\}$ . Then  $M_{a,i} = (0)$  if  $a \notin C(i)$ . We first show that

$$(5) \quad M_{t,a} = (0) \quad a \notin C(i)$$

If  $M_{t,a} \neq (0)$ , we take  $x \neq 0$  in  $M_{t,a}$  and  $y \neq 0$  in  $M_{t,i}$ . Since A is partially PP-ring, for any element z in A  $zx = 0$  implies  $z \in A(1 - e_t)$  by Lemma 2. Hence,  $zy = 0$ . Therefore, a mapping  $\varphi$  of  $Ax$  to  $Ay \subseteq Ae_i$ :  $zx \rightarrow zy$  is homomorphism. Since  $Ae_i$  is A-injective, there exists an element w in  $Ae_i$  such that  $y = xw$  by [1], p. 8, Theorem 3.2. Therefore, w might be

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4) Added in proof. We shall give a simple proof in [12].

in  $M_{a,i}$ . Since  $\varphi$  is non-zero,  $w$  is not zero, which contradicts the fact  $M_{a,i} = (0)$ . We need a lemma to complete the proof.

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $A$  and  $t = i(k)$  be as above. Then there exists an index  $g = g(l)$  such that  $M_{g,i(l)} \neq (0)$  for any  $l, 1 \leq l < k$ .*

*Proof.* We assume  $M_{g,i(l)} = (0)$  for all  $g$  and some  $l$ . Then  $M_{i(l),i}$  is a non-zero left ideal contained in  $Ae_i$ . Furthermore,  $M_{g',t} = (0)$  for all  $g'$ , because if  $M_{g',t} \neq (0)$  (and hence  $g' > t$ ), then  $(0) \neq M_{g',t}M_{t,i} \subseteq M_{g',i}$ . Hence,  $Q = M_{i(l),i} \oplus M_{t,i}$  is a left ideal contained in  $Ae_i$ . Let  $x \neq 0$  in  $\Delta_i$ . Then a mapping  $\psi$  of  $Q$  to  $Ae_i$  defined by  $\psi(n+m) = nx$  for  $n \in M_{i(l),i}, m \in M_{t,i}$  is  $A$ -homomorphism. Since  $Ae_i$  is injective, there exists an element  $z$  in  $Ae_i$  such that  $nz = nx$  and  $mz = 0$ . This is a contradiction, because  $n = M_{i(l),i}, m \in M_{t,i}$ . Q.E.D.

We continue the prove of Lemma 5. We shall show that  $M_{t,i(s)} \neq (0)$  for  $1 \leq s \leq k$ . We have  $M_{b,i} = (0)$  for  $i(k-1) < b < t, t < b$  by the definition of  $C(i)$  and  $t$ . If  $M_{l,i(k-1)} \neq (0)$  for an integer  $l$  such that  $i(k-1) < l \neq t = i(k)$  then  $(0) \neq M_{l,i(k-1)}M_{i(k-1),i} \subseteq M_{l,i}$ . Therefore,  $M_{l,i(k-1)} = (0)$  for all  $l \neq t$ . Hence, we know  $M_{t,i(k-1)} \neq (0)$  from Lemma 6. We assume  $M_{t,i(c)} \neq (0)$  for integer  $c >$  a fixed integer  $d$ . By the same argument as above we obtain  $M_{q,i(d)} = (0)$  for  $q \neq i(r); d < r < k'$ . Hence, we know by Lemma 6 that there exists an integer  $f (> d)$  such that  $M_{i(f),i(d)} \neq (0)$ . Therefore,  $(0) \neq M_{t,i(f)}M_{i(f),i(d)} \subseteq M_{t,i(d)}$ . Thus we can prove Lemma 5 by induction.

**Theorem 1.<sup>4)</sup>** *Let  $A$  be a semi-primary, partially PP-ring. If  $A$  contains a finitely generated projective, injective left ideal  $L$ , then  $A$  is a directsum of two rings  $A_1, A_2$  such that  $A_1$  is a left QF-3 and  $L$  is a faithful, projective, injective left ideal in  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is the annihilator ideal of  $L$  in  $A$ . In particular if  $A$  is a left QF-3,  $A = \sum \oplus A_i$  as a ring and there exists a primitive idempotent  $e_i$  in  $A_i$  such that  $A_i e_i$  is a unique minimal, faithful, projective injective ideal and  $e_i$  is uniquely determined up to isomorphism with property  $e_i N = (0)$ , where  $N$  is the radical of  $A$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is semi-primary,  $L \approx \sum \oplus Ae_i, e_i$  primitive idempotent. As before we may assume that  $A$  coincides with its basic ring. Let  $T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  be a normal right representation of  $A$  as a g.t.a. matrix ring. We assume  $e_i = T_n(o, \dots, 1_i, o, \dots; o)$ . Let  $C^*(i) = i \cup C(i) \equiv \{i = i(o) < i(1) < \dots < i(k) = t\}$ . For  $j \in C^*(i)$   $(0) = M_{t,j} \supseteq M_{t,i(s)}M_{i(s),j}$  and  $(0) = M_{j,i} \supseteq M_{j,i(p)}M_{i(p),i}$ . Hence  $M_{i(s),j} = M_{j,i(p)} = 0$  any  $i(s) < j$  and  $i(p) < j$ , respectively. Put  $E = \sum_{j \in C^*(i)} e_j$  and  $E' = 1 - E$ . Then the above facts imply

that  $M_{k,k'} \subseteq EAE + E'AE'$  for all  $k, k'$ . Hence  $A = EAE \oplus E'AE'$  as a ring and  $EAE \supseteq Ae_i$ . Furthermore,  $EAE \approx T_n(\Delta_{i(j)}; M_{i(j),i(s)})$  and  $M_{i(2),i(1)}, \dots, M_{i(n'),i(1)}$  are non-zero. Since  $Ae_i$  is  $EAE$ -injective,  $Ae_i = T_n(\Delta_{i(1)}, 0, \dots, 0; M_{i(j),i(s)} = (0)$  if  $s \neq 1$ ) by the fact (5) in the proof of Lemma 5. Hence,  $Ae_i$  is faithful. Therefore  $EAE$  is a left QF-3 ring. It is clear that  $E'AE'$  is the annihilator of  $Ae_i$ . Repeating the above argument we have the first part of Theorem 1. The second one is an immediate consequence from the first part and Proposition 3.

**REMARK 1.** Let  $A = T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  be a partially PP-ring and indecomposable basic QF-3 ring. Then we have obtained in the above proof that  $M_{i,1} \neq (0)$  for all  $i$  and hence,  $M_{n,i} \neq (0)$  for all  $i$  by Lemma 5.

**REMARK 2.** We shall see later that the set of those indecomposable ideals  $A_i e_i$  coincide with the set of indecomposable injective left ideals in  $A$ .

Next, we shall consider a QF-3 and semi-primary PP- (resp. hereditary) ring. We restrict ourselves again to a case of basic ring.

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $A$  be an indecomposable basic ring and semi-primary partially PP-ring.  $A = T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  be a normal right representation of  $A$  as a g.t.a. matrix ring. Then  $[M_{n,i} : \Delta_n] = [M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = 1$  for all  $i$ . Furthermore, if  $A$  is hereditary then  $[M_{i,j} : \Delta_i] = [M_{i,j} : \Delta_1] = 1$  if  $M_{i,j} \neq (0)$ .*

**Proof.** We use the same notation as above. Since  $T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  is a normal representation,  $Ae_i$  is  $A$ -injective. From Remark 1 we know  $M_{n,i} \neq (0)$  and  $M_{i,1} \neq (0)$  for all  $i$ . If  $[M_{n,1} : \Delta_n] \geq 2$ , then we have two independent elements  $x, y$  in  $M_{n,1}$  over  $\Delta_n$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a linear mapping of  $M_{n,1}$  into itself such that  $\varphi(x) = x, \varphi(y) = 0$ . Then  $\varphi$  is  $A$ -homomorphism of  $M_{n,1}$  to  $Ae_1$ . Since  $Ae_1$  is injective, this is a contradiction. If  $[M_{n,1} : \Delta_1] \geq 2$ , then there exist two independent elements  $x', y'$  in  $M_{n,1}$  over  $\Delta_1$ . Let  $\psi$  be a linear mapping of  $M_{n,1} = \Delta_n x'$  to itself such that  $\psi(x') = y'$ . Injectivity of  $Ae_1$  implies that there exists an element  $z$  in  $\Delta_1$  such that  $x'z = y'$ . This contradicts a fact of independency. Since  $M_{n,1} \supseteq M_{n,i} M_{i,1}$ ,  $[M_{n,i} : \Delta_n] \leq [M_{n,i} : \Delta_n] = 1$  and  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] \leq [M_{n,1} : \Delta_1] = 1$ . We assume that  $A$  is hereditary. Then  $M_{n,i} \otimes_{\Delta_i} M_{i,1} \approx M_{n,i} M_{i,1}$  as  $\Delta_n - \Delta_1$  module by [4], Theorem 1. Hence  $1 = [M_{n,1} : \Delta_n] \geq [M_{i,1} : \Delta_1]$ . If  $M_{i,j} \neq (0)$ ,  $(0) \neq M_{i,j} M_{j,1} \subseteq M_{i,1}$ . Hence,  $1 = [M_{i,1} : \Delta_i] \geq [M_{i,j} : \Delta_i]$ . Similarly, we have  $[M_{i,j} : \Delta_j] = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.** *If  $A$  is a left QF-3 and semi-primary hereditary ring, then  $A$  is a directsum of rings whose basic ring is a ring of triangular matrices over division rings. And hence,  $A$  is right QF-3 and  $A$  satisfies*

*minimal conditions. The converse is also true, (see Remark 3 below).*

Proof. We assume that  $A$  is an indecomposable, basic ring. Then  $A = T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  and  $M_{i,1} \neq (0)$  and  $M_{n,i} \neq (0)$  for all  $i$  from Remark 1. We shall show that  $M_{i,j} \neq (0)$  for all  $i < j$ . We quote the same notations of [4], Theorem 1. Since  $M_{2,1} \neq (0)$ , we assume that  $M_{j,k} \neq (0)$  for any  $j \leq i$ . If  $M_{i+1,i} = M_{i+1,i-1} = \dots = M_{i+1,t} = (0)$  and  $M_{i+1,t-1} \neq (0)$ , then  $\bar{M}_{i+1,t-1} = M_{i+1,t-1} / \sum_{k=t}^i M_{i+1,k} M_{k,t-1} = M_{i+1,t-1}$ . On the other hand,  $\bar{M}_{t,t-1} = M_{t,t-1} \neq (0)$ , since  $t \leq i$ . However,  $M_{n,i+1} \bar{M}_{i+1,t-1} \neq (0)$ ,  $M_{n,t} \bar{M}_{t,t-1} \neq (0)$  and  $M_{n,i+1} \bar{M}_{i+1,t-1} \cap M_{n,t} \bar{M}_{t,t-1} = (0)$  by [4], Theorem 1. Which contradicts a fact  $[M_{n,t-1} : \Delta_n] = 1$ . Therefore, we know  $M_{i+1,i} \neq (0)$ .  $M_{i+1,k} \supseteq M_{i+1,i} M_{i,i-1} \dots M_{k+1,k} \neq (0)$ . Thus we can prove the fact  $M_{i,j} \neq (0)$  for all  $i > j$  by induction. Since  $M_{i,j} \neq (0)$ ,  $[M_{i,j} : \Delta_i] = [M_{i,j} : \Delta_j] = 1$  by Lemma 7. Therefore,  $A$  is isomorphic to a ring of triangular matrices by [4], Lemma 12. Thus, we have proved Theorem 2.

In the above proof if we replace  $M_{i+1,t-1}$  by a non-zero element  $x$  in  $M_{i+1,t-1}$  and  $M_{t,t-1}$  by a non-zero element  $y$  in  $M_{t,t-1}$ , then  $M_{n,i+1}x$  and  $M_{n,t}y$  are not zero by Lemma 2, provided  $A$  is a PP-ring. Since  $[M_{n,t-1} : \Delta_n] = 1$  by Lemma 7,  $M_{n,i+1}x = M_{n,t}y$ . This contradicts [3], Proposition 1. Hence, we have similarly

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $A$  be a left QF-3 and semi-primary PP-ring. We assume  $A$  is indecomposable. Then  $A$  is isomorphic to a g.t.a. matrix ring  $T_n(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j})$  over simple ring  $S_i$  and each component of  $\mathfrak{M}_{i,j}$  in (2) is non-zero. Therefore,  $T_n(S_i; \mathfrak{M}_{i,j})$  is a right and left normal representation of  $A$  as a g.t.a. matrix ring and the nilpotency of the radical is equal to  $n$ . Let  $S_i \approx (\Delta_i)_n$ ,  $\Delta_i$  division ring. Then  $\Delta_1 \approx \Delta_n$  and  $\Delta_i$  is isomorphic into  $\Delta_1 \approx \Delta_n$ . Furthermore, we assume that  $A$  is  $K$ -algebra with finite dimension. Then  $A$  is hereditary if and only if  $\Delta_i \approx \Delta_1$  for all  $i$ .*

REMARK 3. Theorem 2 says that the class of the QF-3 and semi-primary hereditary rings coincides with the class of the rings of directsum of g.t.a. matrix rings of the following form.

Let  $\Delta$  be a division ring and  $\Delta(n \times m)$  the module of rectangular matrices of  $(n \times m)$ -form over  $\Delta$  and it is regarded as  $(\Delta)_n - (\Delta)_m$  module.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} (\Delta)_{n_1} & & & 0 \\ \Delta(n_2 \times n_1) & (\Delta)_{n_2} & & \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ \Delta(n_r \times n_1) & \Delta(n_r \times n_2) & \dots & (\Delta)_{n_r} \end{pmatrix}$$

We consider the converse of the first half of Lemma 7.



**Proposition 5.** *Let  $A = T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  be a g.t.a. matrix ring over division ring  $\Delta_i$ . If  $A$  is a partially PP-ring, then  $Ae_1$  is  $A$ -injective and  $M_{i,1} \neq (0)$  and  $M_{n,i} \neq (0)$  for all  $i$  if and only if  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = [M_{n,1} : \Delta] = 1$ . Conversely if  $Ae_1$  is faithful and  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = 1$ , then  $A$  is a partially PP-ring, where  $e_1 = T_n(1_1, 0, \dots; 0)$ .*

*Proof.* We assume that  $A$  is a partially PP-ring. We have proved "only if" part of the first half in the proof of Lemma 7. We shall prove "if" part. Since  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = 1$ , we put  $M_{i,1} = x_i \Delta_1$  ( $x_i =$  the identity element of  $\Delta_1$ ). Since  $[M_{n,1} : \Delta_1] = [M_{n,1} : \Delta_n] = 1$ , there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $\Delta_1$  to  $\Delta_n$  such that  $x_n \delta = \delta^\varphi x_n$  for  $\delta \in \Delta_1$ . It is clear that  $\text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(M_{i,1}, M_{n,1}) = \Delta_n f_i$ , where  $f_i \in \text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(M_{i,1}, M_{n,1})$  such that  $f_i(x_i) = x_n$ , (for  $f \in \text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(M_{i,1}, M_{n,1}) f(x_i) = x_n \delta = \delta^\varphi x_n = (\delta^\varphi f_i)(x_i)$ ). On the other hand  $M_{n,i} \approx M_{n,i} x_i = M_{n,1}$  by the assumption  $[M_{n,1} : \Delta_n] = 1$  and Lemma 2. Hence, there exists a unique element  $g_i$  in  $M_{n,i}$  such that  $g_i x_i = x_n$ , ( $g_n =$  the identity element in  $\Delta_n$ ). Therefore,  $\text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(M_{i,1}, M_{n,1})$  coincides with the multiplications of elements in  $\Delta_n g_i$  from the left side. Let  $M_{i,1}^* = \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(Ae_1, \Delta_1) \mid f(M_{j,i}) = (0) \text{ for } j \neq i\}$ . Then  $\text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(Ae_1, \Delta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus M_{i,1}^*$  as a module. We have isomorphisms  $\theta_i : M_{n,i} = \Delta_n g_i \rightarrow M_{i,1}^*$ , by setting

$$\theta_i(\delta g_i)(x_i) = \delta^{\varphi^{-1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_i(\delta g_i)(x_j) = 0 \quad \text{for } j \neq i.$$

Hence, we have an isomorphism  $\Theta$  of  $e_n A$  to  $\text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(Ae_1, \Delta_1)$  via  $\theta_i$  as a module. We shall show that  $\Theta$  is  $A$ -isomorphic. Let  $\theta_i(\delta g_i) = f \in M_{i,1}^*$ , and  $m_{k,l} \in M_{k,l}$ . Then  $f m_{k,l} : M_{l,1} \xrightarrow{m_{k,l}} M_{k,1} \xrightarrow{f} \Delta_1$ . Hence if  $k \neq i$ ,  $f m_{k,l} = g_i m_{k,l} = 0$ . Let  $k = i$ . Since  $m_{i,l} x_l \in M_{i,1} = x_i \Delta_1$ ,  $m_{i,l} x_l = x_i \delta$  for some  $\delta_l \in \Delta_1$ . Hence,  $\theta_i^{-1}(f m_{i,l}) = \delta \delta_l^\varphi g_l$ . On the other hand,  $\delta g_i m_{i,l} x_l = \delta g_i x_i \delta_l = \delta x_n \delta_l = \delta \delta_l^\varphi x_n = \delta \delta_l^\varphi g_l x_l$ . Hence  $\delta g_i m_{i,l} = \delta \delta_l^\varphi g_l$  by Lemma 2. Therefore,  $\Theta$  is  $A$ -isomorphic. Hence  $e_n A$  is  $A$ -injective. It is clear that  $\text{Hom}_{\Delta_1}(Ae_1, \Delta_1)$  is  $A$ -faithful (cf. the proof of Proposition 1). Thus,  $A$  has a faithful injective, projective right ideal  $e_n A$ . If we replace a position of  $M_{i,1}$  by  $M_{n,i}$  in the above, then we have similarly that  $A$  is a left QF-3 ring. Next, we assume that  $Ae_1$  is faithful and  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = 1$ . Let  $x_{i,j}, y_{j,k}$  be in  $M_{i,j}, M_{j,k}$ , respectively. If  $x_{i,j} y_{j,k} = 0$ ,  $(0) = x_{i,j} y_{j,k} M_{k,1} = x_{i,j} (y_{j,k} M_{k,1})$ . Since  $Ae_1$  is faithful,  $y_{j,k} M_{k,1} \neq (0)$  if  $y_{j,k} \neq 0$ . Hence,  $y_{j,k} M_{k,1} = M_{j,1}$ . We have shown that  $M_{i,k} \otimes_{\Delta_k} y_{k,j} \approx M_{i,k} y_{k,i}$ . Therefore,  $A$  is a partially PP-ring by [3], Lemma 5.

Similarly to Theorem 2 we have

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $A$  be a semi-primally PP-ring.  $A$  is a left QF-3 ring if and only if its basic ring is of the form  $T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  such that*

$[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = [M_{n,i} : \Delta_n] = 1$ . In this case  $A$  is also a right QF-3 ring.

Proof. It is clear from Theorem 1 and Proposition 5.

Finally, we shall generalize Mochizuki's result [6], Theorem 2.3 in a case of semi-primary partially PP-ring.

Let  $A$  be a basic QF-3 ring and semi-primary partially PP-ring. We assume that  $A$  is indecomposable. Then  $A \approx T_n(\Delta_i; M_{i,j})$  and  $[M_{i,1} : \Delta_1] = [M_{n,i} : \Delta_n] = 1$  for all  $i$  by Lemma 7. Hence, we may assume that  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_n = \Delta$  and  $\Delta_i$  is contained in  $\Delta$ . Let  $L = T_n(\Delta, 0, \dots, 0 : M_{i,j} = (0)$  if  $j \neq 1$ ). Then  $L$  is a unique minimal faithful projective, injective left  $A$ -module. Let  $B = \text{Hom}_\Delta(L, L)$ . Then  $B = (\Delta)_n$ . Let  $B_{i,j} = \{f \in B, f(M_{j,1}) = M_{i,1}, f(M_{k,1}) = (0) \text{ for } k \neq j\}$ . Then  $B_{i,j} \cap A \supseteq M_{i,j}$ , where  $A$  is regarded as a subring of  $B$ , since  $L$  is faithful. By virtue of this imbedding we can regard  $M_{i,j}$  as a  $\Delta_i - \Delta_j$  submodule in  $\Delta$ . In such a setting, we have

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta & \Delta & \cdots & \Delta \\ \Delta & \Delta & \cdots & \Delta \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \Delta & \Delta & \cdots & \Delta \end{pmatrix} \supseteq A = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta & & & \\ \Delta & \Delta_2 & & 0 \\ \Delta & M_{3,2} & \Delta_3 & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \Delta_{n-1} \\ \Delta & \Delta & \cdots & \cdots & \Delta & \Delta \end{pmatrix} \supset L = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta & & & \\ \vdots & & & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ \Delta & & & \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $M_{i,j}$  is a  $\Delta_i - \Delta_j$  submodule in  $\Delta$  and  $\Delta_i$  is a subdivision ring of  $\Delta$ . Since  $B \approx L^{(n)}$ <sup>5)</sup> as a left  $A$ -module,  $B$  is left  $A$ -projective and injective.

**Lemma 8.** Let  $A$  and  $L$  be as above. Injective envelope of indecomposable left ideal  $Ae_i$  is isomorphic to  $L$ .

Proof. Since  $M_{i,1} \neq (0)$ , we can take  $x \neq 0$  in  $M_{i,1}$ . Then  $Ae_i x \approx Ae_i$  by Lemma 2. Since  $Ae_i x \subseteq L$  and  $L$  is indecomposable,  $L$  is an injective envelope of  $Ae_i x$ .

We note that the double commutator ring of module which is a directsum of  $n$ -copies of a module  $M$  coincides with that ring of  $M$  up to isomorphism.

Summarizing the above we have

**Theorem 4.** Let  $A$  be a semi-primary partially PP-ring and  $e$  be an idempotent such that  $Ae$  is a faithful projective, injective left ideal. Then the following facts hold.

(1) Both the commutator ring  $eAe$  and the double commutator ring  $B = \text{Hom}_{eAe}(Ae, Ae)$  of  $Ae$  are semi-simple.

5)  $L^{(n)}$  means a directsum of  $n$ -copies of  $L$ .

- (2)  $B$  is an  $A-A$  module which is both the left and right injective envelope of  $A$  and left and right  $A$ -projective.
- (3) If  $A$  is hereditary, then  $A$  is a generalized uniserial ring with minimal conditions.

**Corollary.** *Let  $A$  be as above. If  $L$  is an indecomposable  $A$ -injective left ideal in  $A$ , then  $L$  is projective and  $L \approx Ae$ ,  $eN=(0)$ .*

*Proof.* We may assume  $A$  is indecomposable. Let  $M$  be a minimal left ideal contained in  $L$ , since  $A$  is semi-primary, (see [5], p 1106). Then an injective envelope of  $M'$  is contained in  $L$  and hence  $L$  is isomorphic to an injective envelope of  $M'$ . Therefore,  $B$  in Theorem 4 contains an isomorphic image of  $L$  as direct summand by the proof of Theorem 3.2 in [5]. Hence,  $L$  is  $A$ -projective by Theorem 4. The second part is clear from Theorem 2.

We conclude this paper with the following examples.

**EXAMPLE.** Let  $K$  be a field and  $L$  proper extension of  $K$ . We put

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} L & 0 & 0 \\ L & K & 0 \\ L & L & L \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $L$  at  $(2, 1)$ -component is regarded as  $K-L$  module and  $L$  at  $(3, 2)$ -component as  $L-K$  module. Since a natural mapping  $L \otimes_K L \rightarrow L$  is not monomorphic,  $A$  is not hereditary by [4], Theorem 1. It is clear that  $\begin{pmatrix} L & 0 & 0 \\ L & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is a faithful, projective, injective  $A$ -module and  $A$  is a PP-ring by Proposition 5 and [3], Proposition 1. Hence,  $A$  is a QF-3 and PP-ring and not hereditary. If  $[L:K]=\infty$   $A$  does not satisfies the minimal conditions.

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} K & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K & K & 0 & 0 \\ K & 0 & K & 0 \\ K & K & K & K \end{pmatrix},$$

then  $A$  is a QF-3 and partially PP-ring by [3], Lemm 5. However,  $A$  is not a PP-ring and hence, not hereditary.

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