# On the second cohomology groups of the fundamental groups of simple algebraic groups over perfect fields

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#### Introduction.

In this paper, we determine the first and second cohomology groups of the following tori:  $G_m$ ,  $R_{K/k}(G_m)$ , and some tori associated with  $R_{K/k}(G_m)$  (U and V defined in § 2) and discuss relations between them. As an application, we also determine  $H^2(k, Z)$ , where Z is the center of a simply connected simple algebraic group F defined over a perfect field k. Since any simply connected simple algebraic group F defined over k is obtained by an inner twist from a certain quasi-split simple algebraic group  $F_1$  defined over k, in order to determine  $H^2(k, Z)$ , it suffices to determine  $H^2(k, Z_1)$ , where  $Z_1$  is the center of  $F_1$ .

In n°1, we state some lemmas which are well-known. In n°2, we determine the cohomology groups of some special tori, applying the lemmas to the case  $M=k_s^*$ , where  $k_s$  is the separable closure of k. In n°3 and n°4, we determine  $H^2(k,Z)$  and define an  $H^2$ -invariant of a k-form of a simple algebraic group. N°5 has a nature of an appendix which will explain in a certain sense the meaning of the table obtained in n°3. Let K be a separable quadratic extension of an arbitrary field k. We prove that a central simple algebra B over K has an anti-automorphism over k if and only if  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$ , where  $\beta$  is the class of B in the Brauer group B(K) of K. We also prove that B has an involution over k if and only if  $c(\beta) = 0$ , where c is the corestriction of B(K) into B(k).

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## § 1. Preliminaries.

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be an arbitrary group and  $\mathfrak{h}$  be its subgroup of finite index n. Put  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n g_i \mathfrak{h}$ , with  $g_1 = 1$ . Putting

$$arLambda = oldsymbol{Z} oldsymbol{eta} oldsymbol{eta} = \sum_{i=1}^n oldsymbol{Z} a_i$$
 ,

where  $a_i = g_i \mathfrak{h}$  is the left coset of  $g_i$  modulo  $\mathfrak{h}$ , we can easily see that A is a left  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module of Z-rank n. In this paper, we assume that all  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules are left  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules. For any  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules A and B,  $\operatorname{Hom}(A,B)$  is the group of Z-homomorphism of A into B, and  $A \otimes B$  is the tensor product of A and B taken over Z. These can be considered as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules in natural way. For an arbitrary  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module A, we put  $A^0 = \operatorname{Hom}(A, Z)$ .  $A^0$  is called the dual  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module of A.

LEMMA 1. We have  $\Lambda^0 \cong \Lambda$ , as g-modules.

PROOF. Any element x of  $\mathfrak{g}$  induces a permutation on  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ . It is clear that the permutation representation is self-dual.

LEMMA 2. Let M be a g-module. Then we have

as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules, where  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{h}]}(\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}], M)$  is considered as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module in the following way: for  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{h}]}(\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}], M)$  and  $s \in \mathfrak{g}$ , we put sf(x) = f(xs), for  $x \in \mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}]$ .

PROOF.  $A \otimes M = \{a_i \otimes g_i m_i : m_i \in M\}$ . On the other hand, we have  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigcup \mathfrak{h} g_i^{-1}$ . For  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{h}]}(\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}], M)$ , we put  $f_i = f(g_i^{-1})$ . Then f is completely determined by  $(f_1, \cdots, f_n)$ . We put  $\alpha_i(m) = a_i \otimes g_i m$ , and determine  $\beta_i(m) \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{h}]}(\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}], M)$  by putting  $\beta_i(m)(g_j^{-1}) = \delta_{ij}m$ . The map  $\alpha_i(m) \to \beta_i(m)$  is clearly a  $\mathbf{Z}$ -isomorphism. For  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ , we write  $x = g_j h g_i^{-1}$ . If we fix i, then j is uniquely determined by x and i. So we have  $x\alpha_i(m) = x(a_i \otimes g_i m) = a_j \otimes g_j h m = \alpha_j(h m)$ , and we have  $(x\beta_i(m))(g_j^{-1}) = \beta_i(m)(hg_i^{-1}) = hm$ , and  $(x\beta_i(m))(g_s^{-1}) = \beta_i(m)(hg_i^{-1}) = 0$ , if  $s \neq j$ , that is,  $x\beta_i(m) = \beta_j(h m)$ . This proves that the above  $\mathbf{Z}$ -isomorphism is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -isomorphism. (q. e. d.).

COROLLARY 1. Let  $\mathfrak g$  be a group and  $\mathfrak h$  be its subgroup of finite index. For a  $\mathfrak g$ -module M, we have

(2) 
$$H^i(\mathfrak{g}, \Lambda \otimes M) \cong H^i(\mathfrak{h}, M)$$
,

for  $i \ge 0$ .

COROLLARY 2. Let g be a pro-finite group (that is, a compact and totally disconnected group (Serre [7]. I.1.1.)), and h be its open subgroup. We suppose that M is a discrete g-module. If we consider the topological cohomology group (that is, the cohomology group defined by continuous cocycles and continuous coboundaries), we also have

(3) 
$$H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, \Lambda \otimes M) \cong H^{i}(\mathfrak{h}, M),$$

for  $i \ge 0$ .

COROLLARY 3. Let G be a finite group and H be its subgroup. We consider the Tate cohomology group of G (Serre [6]. VIII.1), then we have

(4) 
$$H^{i}(G, \Lambda \otimes M) \cong H^{i}(H, M)$$
,

for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

PROOF. In each case, we have

$$H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{h}]}(\mathbf{Z}[\mathfrak{g}], M)) \cong H^{i}(\mathfrak{h}, M)$$
,

(Shapiro's Theorem). For example, in case Corollary 2, see Serre [7]. I.2.5.

Thus we have a canonical isomorphism of  $H^i(\mathfrak{g}, \Lambda \otimes M)$  onto  $H^i(\mathfrak{h}, M)$ . Sometimes we identify  $H^i(\mathfrak{g}, \Lambda \otimes M)$  with  $H^i(\mathfrak{h}, M)$  by this canonical isomorphism.

Now we consider the following exact sequences.

$$0 \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow \Lambda \xrightarrow{c} \mathbf{Z} \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z}u \stackrel{\mathbf{r}}{\longrightarrow} \Lambda \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $c(\sum p_i a_i) = \sum p_i$ , and  $u = \sum a_i$  and r is the injection. So we have  $\mathbf{Z}u = \mathbf{Z}$  as g-modules. One can easily see that  $C^0 \cong R$  and  $R^0 \cong C$  as g-modules. As the sequences (5) and (6) are split over  $\mathbf{Z}$ , we have for any g-module M the following exact sequences.

$$(7) 0 \longrightarrow C \otimes M \longrightarrow A \otimes M \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow A \otimes M \longrightarrow R \otimes M \longrightarrow 0.$$

Taking the cohomology of these exact sequences, we have, through the above mentioned identifications, the following exact sequences.

$$(9) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \stackrel{c}{\longrightarrow} H^{0}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \longrightarrow H^{1}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow$$

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{i}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \stackrel{c}{\longrightarrow} H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow,$$

$$(10) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} H^{0}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathfrak{g}, R \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{1}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \longrightarrow$$

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} H^{i}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \longrightarrow H^{i}(\mathfrak{g}, R \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \longrightarrow.$$

These are valid for a pro-finite group  $\mathfrak{g}$  and its open subgroup  $\mathfrak{h}$ , with respect to the (topological) cohomology groups. If G is a finite group and we use the Tate cohomology groups, we have

$$(11) \longrightarrow H^{i}(G, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{i}(H, M) \stackrel{C}{\longrightarrow} H^{i}(G, M) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(G, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow ,$$

$$(12) \longrightarrow H^{i}(G, M) \stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} H^{i}(H, M) \longrightarrow H^{i}(G, R \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(G, M) \longrightarrow ,$$
 for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

LEMMA 3. In each case, c is the corestriction and r is the restriction. PROOF. In case of pro-finite groups, see Serre [7]. I.2.5. The others also can be easily verified. (q. e. d.).

## § 2. Cohomology of some special tori.

Let k be a field and  $k_s$  be the separable closure of k. We denote by  $\mathfrak{g}$  the Galois group of  $k_s$  over k. The group  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a pro-finite group by the Krull topology. For an open subgroup  $\mathfrak{h}$ , there corresponds a subfield K of  $k_s$  which is a separable finite extension of k. If  $\mathfrak{h}$  is normal in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , then K is a finite Galois extension of k, with the Galois group  $G \cong \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{h}$ .

We put  $M = (G_m)_{k_s} = k_s^*$ , where  $G_m$  is the multiplicative group of the universal domain over k. Clearly M is a discrete  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module in natural way. Let T be a torus defined over k. We denote by X(T) the character module of T. Then X(T) is a discrete  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module. We see easily that  $T_{k_s} \cong X(T)^0 \otimes M$ . We put  $H^i(k,T) = H^i(\mathfrak{g},T_{k_s})$ .

We put  $S = R_{K/k}(G_m)$  (for the definition and the properties of  $R_{K/k}$ , see Ono [3]. 1.4), then  $X(S) \cong A = \mathbb{Z}[\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{h}]$ , where K is a finite extension of k with the Galois group  $\mathfrak{h}$  in  $k_s$ . By Lemma 2, we have

(13) 
$$H^1(k, S) \cong H^1(h, M) = 0$$
. (Hilbert's theorem 90)

(14) 
$$H^{2}(k, S) \cong H^{2}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \cong B(K),$$

where B(K) is the Brauer group of K (see Serre [6]. X.4).

To the **Z**-free g-modules C and R in (5) and (6), there correspond the tori U and V defined over k, respectively (cf. Ono [3] Prop. 1.2.3 and Prop. 1.2.4). So we have  $U_{k_s} = C^0 \otimes M = R \otimes M$ , and  $V_{k_s} = R^0 \otimes M = C \otimes M$ . Using the exact sequences (9) and (10), we have

$$0 \longrightarrow V_k \longrightarrow S_k \longrightarrow k^* \longrightarrow H^1(k, V) \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow H^2(k, V)$$

$$\longrightarrow B(K) \stackrel{C}{\longrightarrow} B(k) ,$$

$$0 \longrightarrow k^* \longrightarrow S_k \longrightarrow U_k \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow H^1(k, U) \longrightarrow B(k)$$

$$\stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} B(K) \longrightarrow H^2(k, U) .$$

That is,  $H^{1}(k, V) = k^{*}/NK^{*}$ ,  $U_{k} = K^{*}/k^{*}$ , and

(15) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{2}(k, V) \longrightarrow B(K) \xrightarrow{c} B(k),$$

(16) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{1}(k, U) \longrightarrow B(k) \longrightarrow B(K) \longrightarrow H^{2}(k, U).$$

If n is an open and normal subgroup of g contained in h, we put G = g/n

and H = h/n. Then the sequences (5) and (6) can be considered as

$$(17) 0 \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z} \lceil G/H \rceil \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z} \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$(18) 0 \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z} [G/H] \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow 0,$$

because n operates trivially on each g-modules above.

In the following, we shall consider the case where  $\mathfrak{h}$  is normal in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , and we put  $\mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{h}$  and  $G = \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{h}$ . Then the sequences (17) and (18) are the usual ones in the cohomology of finite groups. For any G-module  $M_1$ , we have

(19) 
$$H^{i}(G, M_{1}) \cong H^{i+1}(G, C \otimes M_{1}) \cong H^{i-1}(G, R \otimes M_{1}).$$

If we put  $M_1 = Y \otimes M^{\mathfrak{h}} = Y \otimes K^*$ , where Y is a **Z**-free G-module considered as a discrete g-module, using the fact the  $H^1(\mathfrak{h}, Y \otimes M) = 0$ , we have

(20) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{1}(G, Y \otimes K^{*}) \longrightarrow H^{1}(g, Y \otimes M) \longrightarrow 0 ,$$

(21) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{2}(G, Y \otimes K^{*}) \xrightarrow{\inf} H^{2}(\mathfrak{g}, Y \otimes M)$$
$$\longrightarrow H^{2}(\mathfrak{h}, Y \otimes M)^{G} \xrightarrow{\tau} H^{3}(G, Y \otimes K^{*}),$$

where inf is the inflation and  $\tau$  is the transgression (Serre [6]. VII. 6). If we put  $Y = \Lambda$  ( $\cong \mathbb{Z}[G]$ ), we have

$$(22) 0 \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, \Lambda \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{h}, \Lambda \otimes M)^G \longrightarrow 0.$$

By easy computation, we can show that  $H^2(\mathfrak{h}, \Lambda \otimes M)^G \cong H^2(\mathfrak{h}, M)$ . That is,  $H^2(k, S) \cong B(K)$ . Thus we have an explicit form of the isomorphism of  $H^2(k, S)$  onto B(K) in (14) when K is a finite Galois extension of k, which we will utilise in the following sections.

To determine  $H^2(k, V) = H^2(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M)$  when  $\mathfrak{h}$  is normal in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , we consider the following exact sequence, substituting M by  $C \otimes M$  in (10),

$$H^1(\mathfrak{g}, R \otimes C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} H^2(\mathfrak{h}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, R \otimes C \otimes M).$$

By (19) and (20), we have

$$H^1(\mathfrak{G}, R \otimes C \otimes M) \cong H^1(G, R \otimes C \otimes K^*) \cong H^2(G, C \otimes K^*) \cong H^1(G, K^*) = 0$$
.

So we have

(23) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \stackrel{r}{\longrightarrow} H^2(\mathfrak{h}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, R \otimes C \otimes M).$$

Now we consider the simpler case where  $G = \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{h} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ , the group of order 2. Then  $C \cong R$  and  $C \otimes R \cong \mathbb{Z}$  as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules, and  $C \cong R \cong \mathbb{Z}$  as  $\mathfrak{h}$ -modules. So we have

(24) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{2}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \xrightarrow{r} H^{2}(\mathfrak{h}, M) \longrightarrow H^{2}(\mathfrak{g}, M).$$

That is,

(25) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{2}(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow B(K) \xrightarrow{\xi} B(k).$$

Using the isomorphism (22), we can show that  $\xi = -c$ , where c is the corestriction. Thus we have proved

PROPOSITION 1. Let K be a separable quadratic extension of k. The kernel of the corestriction c of B(K) into B(k) is the subgroup of B(K) of the classes of cocycles of  $\mathfrak{h}$  into M which can be extended to the cocycles of  $\mathfrak{g}$  into  $C \otimes M$ .

We also suppose that  $g/h = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . In (21), we put  $Y = \mathbb{C}$ . So we have

$$0 \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{g}, C \otimes M) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathfrak{h}, C \otimes M)^G \longrightarrow H^3(G, C \otimes K^*)$$
,

because  $H^2(G, C \otimes K^*) = H^1(G, K^*) = 0$ . Moreover we have  $H^3(G, C \otimes K^*) \cong H^2(G, K^*) \cong k^*/NK^*$ , and  $H^2(\mathfrak{h}, C \otimes M)^G \cong \{\beta \in B(K) : \beta + \overline{\beta} = 0\}$ , where bar means the action of the non-trivial automorphism of K over k on B(K).

In n°5, we will prove the following two propositions.

Proposition 2. Let B be a central simple algebra over K, and  $\beta$  be its class in B(K). The algebra B has an anti-automorphism over k, if and only if  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$ .

PROPOSITION 3. Let B be a central simple algebra over K, and  $\beta$  be its class in B(K). The algebra B has an involution over k, if and only if  $c(\beta) = 0$ .

REMARK. We mean by an anti-automorphism over k an anti-automorphism whose restriction on the center K is the non-trivial automorphism of K over k. An involution is an anti-automorphism of order 2.

In this place, we notice that the conditions (22. a, b and c) or (55; a, b and c) in Satake [5] are equivalent to  $c(\lambda) = 0$  or  $c(\mu) = 0$  (cf. n°5).

From the proposition 3 and (15), it follows

THEOREM. To each element of  $H^2(k, V)$ , where V is the unique one dimensional torus defined over k which is not k-trivial and splits over separable quadratic extension K of k, there corresponds an algebra class of central simple algebra over K which has an involution over k.

PROOF. The torus V is the torus whose character module is isomorphic to C or, what is the same, to R (cf. Ono [3]. Prop. 1.2.3 and Prop. 1.2.4).

# § 3. Applications to the Galois cohomology of simple algebraic groups.

From now on, we assume that the base field k is a perfect field having more than three elements. Let F be a simple algebraic group quasi-split over K/k ([8]. 1) (in this paper, we mean by a simple algebraic group a simple

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algebraic group over the algebraic closure  $\bar{k}$  of k). Moreover we assume that F is of adjoint type. F is uniquely determined by K/k and its type over the algebraic closure. We denote by  ${}^dX_n$  the type of F or that of the algebraic groups associated with F by (32) in  $n^{\circ}4$ , where d = [K; k] and  $X_n$  is the type of F over the algebraic closure of k. Suppose that A is a maximal k-trivial torus of F. Then T = Z(A) is a maximal torus of F defined over k, where Z(A) means the centraliser of A in F (ibid.). Let  $\widetilde{F}$  be the universal covering of F defined over k with the covering isogeny  $\pi$ ,  $\widetilde{A}$  and  $\widetilde{T}$  be the corresponding tori of  $\widetilde{F}$  to A and T by  $\pi$ , respectively (for the definition and the existence of the universal covering, see Tits [9]. 2.6.1. Prop. 2). We have shown in our previous paper [8]. 3.(26), that  $T \cong \widetilde{T} \cong a[R_{K/k}(G_m)] \times b[G_m]$ , except the type  ${}^6D_4$ , and that  $T \cong \widetilde{T} \cong R_{L/k}(G_m) \times G_m$  for the type  ${}^6D_4$ , where L is a subfield of K of degree 3 over k. Note that  $b[G_m]$  means the direct product of b-copies of  $G_m$ , for example. Let Z be the kernel of  $\pi$  in  $\widetilde{T}$ . Then Z is the center of  $\widetilde{F}$ , and we have

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow \widetilde{T} \xrightarrow{\pi} T \longrightarrow 0$$
.

So we have the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Z_k \longrightarrow \widetilde{T}_k \stackrel{\pi}{\longrightarrow} T_k \longrightarrow H^1(k, Z) \longrightarrow H^1(k, \widetilde{T})$$
$$\longrightarrow H^1(k, T) \longrightarrow H^2(k, Z) \longrightarrow H^2(k, \widetilde{T}) \stackrel{\pi^*}{\longrightarrow} H^2(k, T).$$

As  $H^1(k, T) \cong H^1(k, \widetilde{T}) = 0$  (see (13)), we have

(26) 
$$H^{1}(k, Z) \cong T_{k}/\pi(\widetilde{T}_{k}),$$

(27) 
$$H^2(k, Z) = \text{Ker } \pi^*,$$

where  $\pi^*: H^2(k, \tilde{T}) \to H^2(k, T)$ . On the other hand, we have

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow \widetilde{F} \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow 0$$
.

So we have the following exact sequence of pointed sets.

$$0 \longrightarrow Z_k \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}_k \longrightarrow F_k \longrightarrow H^1(k, Z) \longrightarrow H^1(k, \widetilde{F}) \longrightarrow H^1(k, F) \stackrel{\delta}{\longrightarrow} H^2(k, Z).$$

In [8]. 2. Th. 1, we have the natural isomorphism of  $F_k/\pi(\tilde{F}_k)$  onto  $T_k/\pi(\tilde{T}_k)$ . Thus we have

$$F_k/\pi(\widetilde{F}_k) \cong T_k/\pi(\widetilde{T}_k) \cong H^1(k, \mathbb{Z})$$
.

It follows from these

(28) 
$$0 \longrightarrow H^{1}(k, \widetilde{F}) \longrightarrow H^{1}(k, F) \stackrel{\delta}{\longrightarrow} H^{2}(k, Z).$$

We shall determine  $H^2(k, \mathbb{Z})$  in each case.

Suppose that F is split over k, that is, T = A. Let  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  be the elemental divisors of X(T) in  $X(\tilde{T})$ . Then  $Z = \prod_{i=1}^n \mu_{e_i}$ , where  $\mu_e$  is the group of e-th roots of unity in  $G_m$ . Using the following sequence,

$$0 \longrightarrow \mu_e \longrightarrow G_m \stackrel{e}{\longrightarrow} G_m \longrightarrow 0$$
 ,

where  $e(x) = x^e$ , we have  $H^1(k, \mu_e) = k^*/(k^*)^e$ , and

(29) 
$$H^{2}(k, \mu_{e}) = \{\alpha \in B(k) : e\alpha = 0\},$$

where B(k) is the Brauer group of k.

If F is quasi-split over K/k, Ker  $\pi^*$  is the subgroup of  $H^2(k, \widetilde{T})$  containing  $(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$  such that

$$(c(i,j)) \cdot {}^{t}(\varepsilon_{1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{n}) = 0$$
,

where  $c(i, j) = 2(a_i, a_j)/(a_j, a_j)$  is the Cartan integer and  $\{a_i\}$  is the fundamental root system of F. Using the isomorphism (22), we can calculate explicitly  $H^2(k, Z) = \text{Ker } \pi^*$  in each case.

$$^{2}A_{2m}$$
:  $H^{2}(k,Z) \cong \{\beta \in B(K): m\bar{\beta} = (m+1)\beta\}$ .

$$^{2}A_{2m+1}$$
:  $'' \cong \{(\alpha, \beta) \in B(k) \times B(K) : r(\alpha) = (m+1)\beta, 2\alpha = mc(\beta)\}$ .

$$^{2}D_{n}$$
:  $^{\prime\prime}\cong\{(\alpha,\beta)\in B(k)\times B(K): (n-2)r(\alpha)=2\beta, (n-1)\alpha=c(\beta)\}$ .

$$^{2}E_{6}$$
:  $^{\prime\prime}\cong\{(\alpha,\beta)\in B(k)\times B(K): 2r(\alpha)=3\beta, 3\alpha=2c(\beta)\}$ .

$$^3D_4$$
:  $'' \cong \{(\alpha, \beta) \in B(k) \times B(K) : r(\alpha) = 2\beta, 2\alpha = c(\beta)\}$ .

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$$D_4$$
:  $\qquad \cong \{(\alpha, \beta) \in B(k) \times B(L) : r(\alpha) = 2\beta, 2\alpha = c(\beta)\}.$ 

Explanation: (i) r is the restriction and c is the corestriction.

- (ii) Bar (in  $\bar{\beta}$ ) means the action of the non-trivial automorphism of K over k on B(K), where K is a quadratic extension of k.
  - (iii) In  ${}^6D_4$ , L is a subfield of K of degree 3 over k.

Using the following facts, we can simplify the above table. When K is a quadratic extension of k,  $c(r(\alpha)) = 2\alpha$ ;  $r(c(\beta)) = \beta + \bar{\beta}$ ;  $c(\beta) = 0$  implies  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$ ;  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$  implies  $c(\beta) \in H^2(K/k)$  (the kernel of the restriction r in B(k)); and  $\beta = \bar{\beta}$  implies  $\beta \in r(B(k))$ . The last statement can be obtained by putting Y = Z in (21). The similar formulae also hold for the case where K is not a quadratic extension of k. Thus we have the following table.

$${}^{1}A_{n}$$
:  $\{\alpha \in B(k): (n+1)\alpha = 0\}, \ \alpha \sim -\alpha$ .

$${}^{2}A_{2m}$$
:  $\{\beta \in B(K): (2m+1)\beta = 0, c(\beta) = 0\}, \beta \sim \bar{\beta}.$ 

 $^{2}A_{2m+1}$ :  $\{(\alpha, \beta) \in B(k) \times B(K) : 2\alpha = 0, r(\alpha) = (m+1)\beta, c(\beta) = 0\}, (\alpha, \beta) \sim (\alpha, \overline{\beta}).$ 

 $B_n$  and  $C_n$ :  $\{\alpha \in B(k): 2\alpha = 0\}$ .

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 ^{1}D_{2m+1} \colon \{\alpha \in B(k) \colon 4\alpha = 0\}, \ \alpha \sim -\alpha \, . 
 ^{2}D_{2m+1} \colon \{(\alpha,\beta) \in B(k) \times B(K) \colon 2\alpha = 0, \ r(\alpha) = 2\beta, \ c(\beta) = 0\}, \ (\alpha,\beta) \sim (\alpha,\bar{\beta}) \, . 
 ^{1}D_{2m}(m > 2) \colon \{(\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) \in B(k) \times B(k) \colon 2\alpha_{1} = 2\alpha_{2} = 0\}, \ (\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) \sim (\alpha_{2},\alpha_{1}) \, . 
 ^{2}D_{2m}(m > 2) \colon \{\beta \in B(K) \colon 2\beta = 0\}, \ \beta \sim \bar{\beta} \, . 
 ^{1}E_{6} \colon \{\alpha \in B(k) \colon 3\alpha = 0\}, \ \alpha \sim -\alpha \, . 
 ^{2}E_{6} \colon \{\beta \in B(K) \colon 3\beta = 0, \ c(\beta) = 0\}, \ \beta \sim \bar{\beta} \, . 
 E_{7} \colon \{\alpha \in B(k) \colon 2\alpha = 0\} \, . 
 E_{8}, F_{4} \text{ and } G_{2} \colon \text{ trivial.} 
 ^{1}D_{4} \colon \{(\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) \in B(k) \times B(k) \colon 2\alpha_{1} = 2\alpha_{2} = 0\}, \ (\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) \sim (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2},\alpha_{2}) 
 \sim (\alpha_{2},\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2}) \sim (\alpha_{2},\alpha_{1}) \sim (\alpha_{1},\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2}) \sim (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2},\alpha_{1}) \, . 
 ^{2}D_{4} \colon \{\beta \in B(K) \colon 2\beta = 0\}, \ \beta \sim \bar{\beta} \, . 
 ^{3}D_{4} \colon \{\beta \in B(K) \colon 2\beta = 0, \ c(\beta) = 0\}, \ \beta \sim \bar{\beta} \bar{\beta} \, . 
 ^{6}D_{4} \colon \{\beta \in B(L) \colon 2\beta = 0, \ c(\beta) = 0\} \, .
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For the meaning of equivalence relations  $\sim$ , see the next section.

If K is a quadratic extension of k, then the characterisation of  $c(\beta)=0$  is done in the proposition 3. But if K is not a quadratic extension, the meaning of  $c(\beta)=0$  is not known yet. Note that, if K is a quadratic extension of k,  $2t\beta=0$  and  $c(\beta)=0$  imply that  $t\beta$  is contained in  $\mathrm{Im}\,r\cap\mathrm{Ker}\,c$ . Moreover we can easily see that  $\mathrm{Im}\,r\cap\mathrm{Ker}\,c=\{r(\alpha):\ \alpha\in B(k),\ 2\alpha=0\}.$ 

## § 4. $H^2$ -invariant of k-forms.

In this section, we utilise the terminology and several results in Serre's [7]. I.5 and III.1.

Let F be a simple algebraic group defined over k, and  $F_0$  be the split adjoint form of F over k. We call F a k-form of  $F_0$ . By the theory of Galois cohomology of the algebraic groups, we have a one-to-one correspondence between k-forms of  $F_0$  and the cohomology set  $H^1(k, A(F_0))$ , where  $A(F_0)$  is the automorphism group of  $F_0$ . The structure of  $A(F_0)$  is well-known, that is,  $A(F_0) = F_0 \times U_0$ , a semi-direct product, where  $F_0$  is normal in  $A(F_0)$ , and  $S_0 = A(F_0)/F_0$  ( $\cong U_0$ ) is the automorphism group of Dynkin diagram of  $F_0$  on which  $\mathfrak{g}$  operates trivially. Moreover we have

(30) 
$$H^{1}(k, A(F_{0})) \stackrel{\varphi}{\longleftrightarrow} H^{1}(k, S_{0}) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\psi$  is the canonical cross-section, that is, for  $b \in H^1(k, S_0)$ , there corresponds a certain Galois extension K of k, and to  $\psi(b)$  corresponds a quasisplit group  $F_1$  over K/k which we assume to be of adjoint type.

Let  $\widetilde{F}_0$  be the universal covering of  $F_0$  over k and  $Z_0$  be the center of  $\widetilde{F}_0$ . We suppose that F corresponds to  $f \in H^1(k, A(F_0))$ . We put  $\varphi(f) = b$ , then we have

$${}_{f}Z_{0} \cong {}_{b}Z_{0},$$

as g-modules, where  ${}_{f}Z_{0}$  and  ${}_{b}Z_{0}$  are the torsions of  $Z_{0}$  by f and b, respectively. We put  $S_{1}={}_{b}S_{0}$  and  $Z_{1}={}_{b}Z_{0}$ . We know that

(32) 
$$\varphi^{-1}(b) = H^{1}(k, F_{1})/\sim,$$

where  $\sim$  means the action of  $H^0(k, S_1)$ . For an element d of  $H^0(k, S_1)$ , we have the following commutative diagram.

(33) 
$$H^{1}(k, F_{1}) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^{2}(k, Z_{1})$$

$$d \downarrow \qquad \qquad \delta \qquad \downarrow \downarrow$$

$$H^{1}(k, F_{1}) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^{2}(k, Z_{1}),$$

where the action of d in  $H^2(k, Z_1)$  is induced by the automorphism of  $Z_1$  induced by d (Kneser [2]. 4). So we have

(34) 
$$H^{1}(k, F_{1})/\sim \xrightarrow{\Delta} H^{2}(k, Z_{1})/\sim.$$

For an element g of  $H^1(k, F_1)/\sim$ , we may call  $\Delta(g)$  is the  $H^2$ -invariant of F, where F corresponds to g.

We shall determine the group  $S_1$ , or  $H^0(k, S_1)$ , in each case.

- (i) Except the type  $D_4$ ,  $S_1 \cong S_0$  as g-groups.
- (ii) For the type  $D_4$ . If Im b = 1,  $H^0(k, S_1) = S_0$ . If  $\text{Im } b = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H^0(k, S_1) = \text{Im } b$ . If  $\text{Im } b = \mathbb{Z}_3$ ,  $H^0(k, S_1) = \text{Im } b$ . If  $\text{Im } b = \mathbb{S}_3$ ,  $H^0(k, S_1) = 1$ .

The action of  $H^0(k, S_1)$  on  $Z_1$  or on  $H^2(k, Z_1)$  can easily be determined which we have given in the table of the last section.

## § 5. Involutorial algebras of the second kind.

Let k be an arbitrary field and K be its separable quadratic extension. A central simple algebra B over K is said to have an anti-automorphism over k, if there exists an anti-automorphism of B whose restriction on the center K is the non-trivial automorphism of K over k.

LEMMA 4. Let  $B = M_n(D)$ , where D is a central division algebra over K. The algebra B has an anti-automorphism over k if and only if D has.

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PROOF. See, for example, Albert  $\lceil 1 \rceil$ . X. Th. 12.

PROOF OF THE PROPOSITION 2 (see n°2). By lemma 4, we can suppose that B is a crossed product (N, p), where N is a finite Galois extension of K and p is a 2-cocycle of G(N/K) into  $N^*$ . Moreover we can suppose that N is a Galois extension of k. We put G = G(N/k) and H = G(N/K). We fix an element  $\sigma$  of G-H. We denote by  $\beta$  the class of p in  $H^2(H, N^*)$ . Then  $\bar{\beta}$  corresponds to the class of  $\bar{p}$ , where  $\bar{p}$  is the 2-cocycle defined by  $\bar{p}(S, T) = \sigma(p(S^{\sigma}, T^{\sigma}))$ . Note that we use the notation  $S^{\sigma} = \sigma^{-1}S\sigma$  and  ${}^{\sigma}S = \sigma S\sigma^{-1}$ . The crossed product (N, p) is constructed in the following way.  $B = \sum_{S \in H} Nu_S$ ,  $u_S z = S(z)u_S$  ( $z \in N$ ) and  $u_S u_T = p(S, T)u_{ST}$ . Note that we suppose that H operates on  $N^*$  from the left.

Assume  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$ . That is,  $p(S, T) \cdot \bar{p}(S, T) = m(ST)/m(S) \cdot Sm(T)$ , where m is a 1-cochain of H into  $N^*$ . Changing  $\{u_S\}$ , we can suppose that p(1, 1) = 1. Necessarily m(1) = 1 and  $u_1$  is the unit element of B. We put

$$\rho(\sum z_S u_S) = \sum (m(\sigma S) u \sigma_S)^{-1} \cdot \sigma(z_S).$$

We can show that  $\rho$  is an anti-automorphism of B over k (cf. [1]. X. the proof of Th. 16).

Conversely assume that B=(N,p) has an anti-automorphism  $\rho$  over k. We put  $N_1=\rho(N)$ . Of course, there exists an isomorphism of N onto  $N_1$  over K. By [1]. IV. Th. 14, there exists an invertible element X in B such that  $XN_1X^{-1}=N$ . Put  $\rho_1(u)=X\rho(u)X^{-1}$ . Then  $\rho_1(N)=N$  and  $\rho_1$  is also an antiautomorphism of B over k. So we can suppose from the first that  $\rho(N)=N$ . The restriction of  $\rho$  on N is an element  $\sigma$  of G-H. Now one has  $\rho(u_Sx)=\sigma(x)\rho(u_S)=\rho(S(x)u_S)=\rho(u_S)\cdot\sigma S(x)$ . So one has  $u_{\sigma S}\rho(u_S)\cdot\sigma S(x)=u_{\sigma S}\cdot\sigma(x)\cdot\rho(u_S)=\sigma^S(\sigma(x))u_{\sigma S}\rho(u_S)=\sigma S(x)\cdot u_{\sigma S}\rho(u_S)$ , for all  $\sigma S(x)$  in N. As N is a maximal subfield of B,  $u_{\sigma S}\rho(u_S)$  is contained in  $N^*$ . We put  $u_{\sigma S}\rho(u_S)=m({}^{\sigma}S)^{-1}$ , that is,  $\rho(u_S)^{-1}=m({}^{\sigma}S)u_{\sigma S}$ . From  $u_Su_T=p(S,T)u_{ST}$ , one has  $\rho(u_T)\rho(u_S)=\rho(u_{ST})\cdot\sigma(\rho(S,T))$ . From this, it follows that  $\rho(u_S)^{-1}\cdot\rho(u_T)^{-1}=\sigma(\rho(S,T))^{-1}\cdot\rho(u_{ST})^{-1}=\sigma(\rho(S,T))^{-1}m({}^{\sigma}(ST))\cdot u_{\sigma(ST)}$ , and  $\rho(u_S)^{-1}\cdot\rho(u_T)^{-1}=m({}^{\sigma}S)u_{\sigma S}\cdot m({}^{\sigma}T)u_{\sigma T}=m({}^{\sigma}S)\cdot \sigma^{\sigma}Sm({}^{\sigma}T)\cdot\rho({}^{\sigma}S,{}^{\sigma}T)\cdot u_{\sigma(ST)}$ . Thus we have  $\rho(S,T)\cdot\sigma(\rho(S^{\sigma},T^{\sigma}))=m(ST)/m(S)\cdot Sm(T)$ . This proves that  $\beta+\bar{\beta}=0$ .

PROOF OF THE PROPOSITION 3. It is known that  $B = M_n(D)$  has an involution over k, if and only if D does ([1]. X. Th. 12), where D is a central division algebra over K. So it is sufficient to prove the proposition in the case where B is a crossed product (N, p). Moreover we may suppose that N is a finite Galois extension of k. We put G = G(N/k) and H = G(N/K). Let p be a 2-cocycle of H into  $N^*$ . We put

$$\begin{cases} p_1(S, T) = p(S, T) \\ p_1(\sigma S, T) = p(\sigma S \sigma, \sigma^{-1} T \sigma) \\ p_1(S, \sigma T) = p(S, \sigma T \sigma) \\ p_1(\sigma S, \sigma T) = p(\sigma S \sigma, T) \end{cases} \begin{cases} p_2(S, T) = \sigma p(\sigma^{-1} S \sigma, \sigma^{-1} T \sigma) \\ p_2(\sigma S, T) = \sigma p(S, T) \\ p_2(S, \sigma T) = \sigma p(\sigma^{-1} S \sigma, T) \\ p_2(\sigma S, \sigma T) = \sigma p(S, \sigma T \sigma) \end{cases}$$

where S and T run in H. Then  $a_1 \otimes p_1(S,T) + a_2 \otimes p_2(S,T)$  is a 2-cocycle of G into  $\mathbb{Z}[G/H] \otimes N^*$ . To the 2-cocycle  $p_1(S,T) \cdot p_2(S,T)$  of G into  $N^*$  corresponds  $c(\beta)$  in B(k), where  $\beta$  is the class of p(S,T) in B(K). We assume that  $c(\beta) = 0$ , that is,  $p_1(S,T) \cdot p_2(S,T) = m(ST)/m(S) \cdot Sm(T)$  for all S and T in G. From the definition of  $p_1$ , it follows that

(35) 
$$p(S,T) \cdot \sigma p(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma, \sigma^{-1}T\sigma) = m(ST)/m(S) \cdot Sm(T),$$

(36) 
$$p(\sigma S \sigma, \sigma^{-1} T \sigma) \cdot \sigma p(S, T) = m(\sigma S T) / m(\sigma S) \cdot \sigma S m(T),$$

(37) 
$$p(S, \sigma T\sigma) \cdot \sigma p(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma, T) = m(S\sigma T)/m(S) \cdot Sm(\sigma T),$$

(38) 
$$p(\sigma S \sigma, T) \cdot \sigma p(S, \sigma T \sigma) = m(\sigma S \sigma T) / m(\sigma S) \cdot \sigma S m(\sigma T).$$

From (38), we can deduce the following formulae.

(39) 
$$m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma) = m(A),$$

(40) 
$$m(\sigma^{-1}) \cdot \sigma^{-1} m(\sigma^{-1}) = m(A^{-1}),$$

where  $A = \sigma^2$ . Now we take an anti-automorphism  $\rho$  over k as in the proof of Proposition 2. Then  $\rho^2$  is an automorphism of B over K. As the restriction of  $\rho^2$  to N is  $A = \sigma^2$ , we have  $\rho^2(u) = \lambda u_A u(\lambda u_A)^{-1}$ , with some  $\lambda \in N^*$ . On the other hand, by direct calculation, we have  $\rho^2(u_S) = [m(^AS)/\sigma m(^\sigma S)] \cdot u_{ASA^{-1}}$ .

From (36) and (37), we have

$$p(A, S) = p(A, S) \cdot \sigma p(1, \sigma S \sigma^{-1}) = m(AS \sigma^{-1}) / m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma S \sigma^{-1}),$$

$$p(ASA^{-1}, A) = p(ASA^{-1}, A) \cdot \sigma p(\sigma S \sigma^{-1}, 1) = m(AS\sigma^{-1}) / m(^{A}S) \cdot ^{A}Sm(\sigma).$$

If we put  $\lambda = m(\sigma)$ , then we have

$$\begin{split} m(\sigma)u_Azu_S &= A(z)m(\sigma)p(A,S)u_{AS} = A(z)[m(AS\sigma^{-1})/\sigma m(\sigma S\sigma^{-1})]u_{AS}\,,\\ \rho^2(zu_S)m(\sigma)u_A &= A(z)[m(^AS)/\sigma m(^\sigma S)]\cdot ^ASm(\sigma)\cdot p(ASA^{-1},\,A)u_{AS}\\ &= A(z)[m(AS\sigma^{-1})/m(\sigma S\sigma^{-1})]u_{AS}\,. \end{split}$$

Thus we have proved that  $\rho^2(u) = m(\sigma)u_Au(m(\sigma)u_A)^{-1}$ . By direct calculation, one can see that B has an involution over k if and only if there exists an invertible element X in B such that  $X\rho(X)^{-1}m(\sigma)u_A=b$ , where b is a certain element in  $K^*$ . That is, if we can solve the equation

(42) 
$$m(\sigma)u_A X = b \cdot \rho(X),$$

with an invertible element X in B, we can construct an involution of B over k. If  $\sigma^2 = 1$  (A = 1), from (39), it follows  $m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma) = 1$ . There exists an element w in  $N^*$  such that  $m(\sigma) = \sigma(w)/w$ . Thus we have  $m(\sigma)u_1w = \sigma(w)$ . So the equation (42) is solved with b = 1 and X = w.

If  $\sigma^2 = A \neq 1$ , we put  $X = \sigma(y)/m(\sigma^{-1}) + yu_A^{-1}$ , where y is a certain element in  $N^*$ . From (40) and (41), it follows that

$$\begin{split} m(\sigma)u_A\cdot(\sigma(y)/m(\sigma^{-1})+yu_{A^{-1}}) &= m(\sigma)A(y)p(A,\,A^{-1})+\big[m(\sigma)A\sigma(y)/Am(\sigma^{-1})\big]u_A\\ &= A(y)/\sigma m(\sigma^{-1})+\big[A\sigma(y)m(\sigma)/Am(\sigma^{-1})\big]u_A\,,\\ \rho\big[\sigma(y)/m(\sigma^{-1})+yu_{A^{-1}}\big] &= A(y)/\sigma m(\sigma^{-1})+\big(m(A^{-1})u_{A^{-1}}\big)^{-1}\cdot\sigma(y)\\ &= A(y)/\sigma m(\sigma^{-1})+\big[A\sigma(y)/Am(A^{-1})p(A,\,A^{-1})\big]u_A\\ &= A(y)/\sigma m(\sigma^{-1})+\big[A\sigma(y)m(\sigma)/Am(\sigma^{-1})\big]u_A\,. \end{split}$$

Thus the equation (42) is solved with b=1 and  $X=\sigma(y)/m(\sigma^{-1})+yu_A^{-1}$ . Note that  $(u_A^{-1})^{-1}=[1/p(A,A^{-1})]u_A$ . Let n be the order of A in G.  $(u_A^{-1})^n=t$  is an element of  $N^*$ . If we put  $Y=-[ym(\sigma^{-1})/\sigma(y)]u_A^{-1}$ , then  $Y^n=(-1)^n[\nu(m(\sigma^{-1}))\cdot\nu(y)/\sigma\nu(y)]t=c$  is an element of  $N^*$ , where  $\nu(w)=\prod_{i=0}^{n-1}A^{-i}(w)$ . Changing y appropriately, we can suppose that  $c\neq 1$ . Then X is invertible. More precisely,

$$X^{-1} = [1/(1-c)] \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} Y^{i} \cdot [m(\sigma^{-1})/\sigma(y)].$$

Thus, if  $c(\beta) = 0$ , B has an involution over k.

Conversely we assume that B=(N,p) has an involution J over k. Put  $N_1=J(N)$ . As there exists an isomorphism over K of N onto  $N_1$ , there exists an inner automorphism x of B such that  $x(N)=N_1$ , where  $x(u)=XuX^{-1}$ . We put  $\rho(u)=X^{-1}J(u)X$ , that is,  $J(u)=X\rho(u)X^{-1}$ . Then clearly  $\rho(N)=N$ . Denoting by  $\sigma$  the restriction of  $\rho$  on N, we have  $\rho(\sum z_S u_S)=\sum (m(\sigma S)u_{\sigma S})^{-1}\cdot \sigma(z_S)$ , and

(43) 
$$p(S, T) \cdot \sigma p(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma, \sigma^{-1}T\sigma) = m(ST)/m(S) \cdot Sm(T),$$

for all S and T in H (cf. the proof of Prop. 2). On the other hand, putting  $\sigma^2 = A$ , there exists  $\lambda$  in  $N^*$  such that

(44) 
$$\rho^2(u) = \lambda u_A u(\lambda u_A)^{-1}.$$

We write  $X = \sum x_S u_S$ . As X is invertible, there exists an S such that  $x_S \neq 0$ . If we put  $\rho_1(u) = x_S u_S X^{-1} J(u) X(x_S u_S)^{-1}$ , then  $\rho_1$  is an anti-automorphism of B over k such that  $\rho_1(N) = N$ . Thus we can assume from the first that  $x_1 = 1$ . As J is an involution of B over k, X is a solution of (42), that is,

$$\lambda u_A X = b \cdot \rho(X) ,$$

where  $b \in K^*$ . We put  $m(\sigma) = \lambda/b$ . As b is contained in the center of B, the equation (44) holds also with  $m(\sigma)u_A$ .

Suppose that  $\sigma^2 = 1$  (A = 1). Comparing the coefficients of  $u_1$  in (45), we have  $\lambda = b$ , that is,  $m(\sigma) = 1$ . As  $X_0 = 1$  is also a solution of (45),  $\rho_0$  is an involution of B over k. So we have  $m(^AS) = \sigma m(^\sigma S)$ . Thus we have  $m(\sigma S\sigma^{-1}) = \sigma m(S)$ . For each T in H, we put  $m(\sigma T) = \sigma m(T)$ . Then one can easily verify that the formulae (35),  $\cdots$ , (38) hold. That is,  $c(\beta) = 0$ , where  $\beta$  is the class of  $\rho$  in B(K).

Now suppose that  $\sigma^2 = A \neq 1$ . Comparing the coefficients of  $u_1$  and  $u_A$  in (45), we have  $\lambda = b \cdot A\sigma(y)/p(A, A^{-1}) \cdot Am(A^{-1})$  and  $\lambda \cdot A(y) \cdot p(A, A^{-1}) = b$ , where  $y = x_A^{-1}$ . Note that  $x_1 = 1$  from the assumption. From these, it follows that

(46) 
$$m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma) \cdot p(A, A^{-1}) \cdot \sigma p(A, A^{-1}) \cdot Am(A^{-1}) = 1,$$

where we have put  $\lambda/b = m(\sigma)$ . In (44), we put  $u = u_s$ , then we have

(47) 
$$m(\sigma)p(A, S) = m(ASA^{-1}) \cdot ASA^{-1}m(\sigma) \cdot p(ASA^{-1}, A)/\sigma m(\sigma S\sigma^{-1}).$$

Now we put

(48) 
$$m(\sigma T) = m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(T) \cdot p(A, \sigma^{-1} T \sigma).$$

Then, from (46), it follows that

(49) 
$$m(\sigma^{-1}) \cdot \sigma^{-1} m(\sigma^{-1}) = m(A^{-1}).$$

Note that  $p(A, A^{-1}) = m(\sigma^{-1})/m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(A^{-1})$ . From (43), (48) and (49), we have

(50) 
$$m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma) = m(A).$$

In (47), we substitute S by  $A^{-1}SA$ , then we have

(51) 
$$p(A, A^{-1}SA)/p(S, A) = m(S) \cdot Sm(\sigma)/m(\sigma) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma).$$

That is,

(52) 
$$Sm(\sigma) = m(\sigma) \cdot \lceil p(A, A^{-1}SA) \cdot \sigma m(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma) / p(S, A) \cdot m(S) \rceil.$$

Now we can show that the formulae (35),  $\cdots$ , (38) hold. (35) holds trivially by (43). From (43) and (48), we have

$$m(\sigma ST)/m(\sigma S) \cdot \sigma Sm(T)$$

$$= \sigma [m(ST)/m(S) \cdot Sm(T)] \cdot p(A, \sigma^{-1}ST\sigma)/p(A, \sigma^{-1}S\sigma)$$

$$= \sigma p(S, T) \cdot Ap(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma, \sigma^{-1}T\sigma) \cdot p(A, \sigma^{-1}ST\sigma)/p(A, \sigma^{-1}S\sigma)$$

$$= p(\sigma S\sigma, \sigma^{-1}T\sigma) \cdot \sigma p(S, T).$$

Thus (36) holds. Note that p is a 2-cocycle of H. From (43), (48) and (51),

we have

$$m(S\sigma T)/m(S) \cdot Sm(\sigma T) = p(S, \sigma T\sigma) \cdot \sigma p(\sigma^{-1}S\sigma, T)$$
.

Thus (37) also holds. From (43), (48), (50) and (52), in the similar but more complicated way, we have

$$m(\sigma S \sigma T)/m(\sigma S) \cdot \sigma S m(\sigma T) = p(\sigma S \sigma, T) \cdot \sigma p(S, \sigma T \sigma)$$
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Thus we have proved Proposition 3.

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