

ON GALOIS EXTENSIONS WITH AN INNER GALOIS GROUP AND A GALOIS COMMUTATOR SUBRING

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ABSTRACT. Properties of a Galois ring extension with an inner Galois group are given, and equivalent conditions for a Galois extension with a Galois commutator subring are shown.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 1960's, Galois theory was developed for rings by M. Auslander-O.Goldman ([2]), S.U. Chase-D.K. Harrison-A. Rosenberg ([3]), F.R. DeMeyer ([4], [5]), M. Harada ([7]), Y. Miyashita ([13]), T. Nagahara ([14]), T. Kanzaki ([12]), K. Sugano ([15], [16]), and others. It was shown ([4], Theorem 6, [5], Theorem 3) that B is a central Galois algebra over its center C with an inner Galois group G if and only if it is an Azumaya projective group algebra CG_f where $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of C is a factor set. In section 3, we shall generalize the above theorem to any Galois extension B with an inner Galois group G where $G = \{g \in G \mid g(x) = U_g x U_g^{-1} \text{ for some } U_g \in B \text{ and for all } x \in B\}$. It is shown that B contains a projective group algebra CG_f . An equivalent condition for a central Galois algebra CG_f with Galois group induced by G is given, and characterizations for a Galois extension B with an inner Galois group G generated by $\{U_g \mid g \in G\}$ over B^G are obtained. When B is also an Azumaya algebra, in section 4, some properties are given for a Galois extension B with an inner Galois group G . We note that any Galois extension with an inner Galois group G is a Hirata separable extension of B^G ([17], Corollary 3). For a Hirata separable Galois extension B with Galois group G (not necessarily inner), in [17], Sugano investigated the Galois commutator subring $V_B(B^G)$ of B^G in B . We shall study when $V_B(B^G)$ is a Galois extension with Galois group induced by G for any Galois extension B with Galois group G in section 5. Equivalent conditions are given in terms of a composition Galois extensions: $B \supset B^G \cdot V_B(B^G) \supset B^G$ and crossed products respectively. Some examples are also given to demonstrate the results.

2. BASIC DEFINITIONS AND NOTATIONS

Let B be a ring with identity 1, C the center of B , G a finite automorphism group of B , B^G the set of elements in B fixed under each element in G . Following the definitions as given in the references, we call B a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G if there exist elements $\{a_i, b_i \text{ in } B, i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ for some integer } m\}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^m a_i g(b_i) = \delta_{1,g}$ for each $g \in G$ ([4]). Such a set $\{a_i, b_i\}$ is called a G -Galois system for B . A Galois extension B of B^G is called a Galois algebra if B^G is contained in C ([21]), and a central Galois algebra if $B^G = C$ ([20]). We call B a center Galois extension with Galois group

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G if C is a Galois algebra over C^G with Galois group $G|_C \cong G$, and a commutator Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G if $V_B(B^G)$ is a Galois extension of $(V_B(B^G))^G$ with Galois group $G|_{V_B(B^G)} \cong G$. Let A be a subring of B with the same identity 1. We denote $V_B(A)$ the commutator (also called centralizer) subring of A in B , that is, $V_B(A) = \{b \in B | bx = xb \text{ for all } x \in A\}$. We call B a separable extension of A if there exist $\{a_i, b_i \text{ in } B, i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ for some integer } m\}$ such that $\sum a_i b_i = 1$, and $\sum b a_i \otimes b_i = \sum a_i \otimes b_i b$ for all b in B where \otimes is over A . An Azumaya algebra is a separable extension of its center. A Galois extension B of B^G with Galois group G is called an Azumaya Galois extension if B^G is an Azumaya C^G -algebra ([1]). A Galois extension B of B^G with Galois group G is called a DeMeyer-Kanzaki Galois extension if B is an Azumaya algebra over C which is a Galois algebra over C^G with Galois group $G|_C \cong G$. A ring B is called a Hirata separable extension of A if $B \otimes_A B$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of a finite direct sum of B as a B -bimodule, and B is called a Hirata separable Galois extension of B^G if it is a Galois and a Hirata separable extension of B^G . Let R be a commutative ring with 1 and $U(R)$ the set of units of R . As given in [4], for a factor set $f: G \times G \rightarrow U(R)$ (that is, $f(g, h)f(gh, k) = f(h, k)f(g, hk)$ for all g, h , and k in G), $RG_f = \sum_{g \in G} RU_g$ is called a projective group algebra over R if RG_f is an algebra with a free basis $\{U_g | g \in G\}$ over R where U_g is an invertible element for each $g \in G$, the multiplications are given by $(r_g U_g)(r_h U_h) = r_g r_h U_g U_h$ and $U_g U_h = f(g, h)U_{gh}$ for $r_g, r_h \in R$ and $g, h \in G$; that is, $f(g, h) = U_g U_h U_{gh}^{-1}$.

3. GALOIS EXTENSIONS WITH AN INNER GALOIS GROUP

Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G whose order $|G|$ is invertible in B where $G = \{g \in G | g(x) = U_g x U_g^{-1} \text{ for some } U_g \in B \text{ and for all } x \in B\}$. We shall show that B contains a projective group algebra CG_f where C is the center of B . An equivalent condition is given for a central Galois algebra CG_f . Thus several characterizations are obtained for B generated by $\{U_g | g \in G\}$ over B^G . These characterizations generalize the results for a central Galois algebra with an inner Galois group ([4], Theorem 6).

Theorem 3.1. ([23], Theorem 2.1) *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G , $G = \{g | g(x) = U_g x U_g^{-1} \text{ for some } U_g \in B \text{ and for all } x \in B\}$, and C the center of B . Then B contains a projective group algebra CG_f of G over C with a factor set $f: G \times G \rightarrow \text{units of } C$.*

Proof. We first claim that $\{U_g | g \in G\}$ are linearly independent over C . Let $\{x_i, y_i \in B | i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ for some integer } m\}$ be a G -Galois system such that $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i g(y_i) = \delta_{1,g}$ for each $g \in G$. Let $\sum_{g \in G} a_g U_g = 0$ for some $a_g \in C$. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \sum_{g \in G} a_g U_g h^{-1}(y_i) = 0 \text{ for each } h \in G \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{g \in G} a_g \sum_{i=1}^m x_i g h^{-1}(y_i) U_g = \sum_{g \in G} a_g \delta_{1,gh^{-1}} U_g = a_h U_h.$$

Noting that $a_g \in C$ and $U_g h^{-1}(y_i) = g h^{-1}(y_i) U_g$, we have that

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \sum_{g \in G} a_g U_g h^{-1}(y_i) = \sum_{g \in G} a_g \sum_{i=1}^m x_i g h^{-1}(y_i) U_g;$$

and so $a_h U_h = 0$. But U_h is invertible in B , so $a_h = 0$ for each $h \in G$. Also, noting that $U_{gh}^{-1} U_g U_h$ is a unit in C , we have a factor set $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of C by $f(g, h) = U_{gh}^{-1} U_g U_h$. Thus $\sum_{g \in G} C U_g = C G_f \subset B$.

Let Z be the center of G and \bar{G} the restriction of G to $C G_f$. Then $\bar{G} \cong G/K$ where $K = \{g \in Z \mid f(g, h) = f(h, g) \text{ for all } h \in G\}$. Next is necessary and sufficient condition for a central Galois algebra $C G_f$ with an inner Galois group \bar{G} .

Theorem 3.2. ([23], Theorem 2.2) *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G of order n invertible in B and $C G_f$ as given in Theorem 3.1. Then $C G_f$ is a central Galois algebra over its center S with an inner Galois group \bar{G} if and only if $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are linearly independent over S where $U_{\bar{g}} = U_g$ for each $g \in G$.*

Proof. (\implies) Since $C G_f$ is a central Galois algebra with an inner Galois group \bar{G} , $C G_f = S \bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ ([4], Theorem 6). Thus $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are linearly independent over S .

(\impliedby) Since $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are linearly independent over S , $S \bar{G}_{\bar{f}} = \bigoplus_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} S U_{\bar{g}}$ is a projective group algebra of \bar{G} over S with factor set $f : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow$ units of S induced by $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of C . Noting that $\{U_g \mid g \in K\} \subset S$, we have that $C G_f = \bigoplus_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} S U_{\bar{g}} = S \bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$. But $C G_f$ is an Azumaya S -algebra (for n is a unit in C), so $S \bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is an Azumaya S -algebra. Thus $S \bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is a central Galois S -algebra with an inner Galois group \bar{G} ([5], Theorem 3). Therefore $C G_f$ is a central Galois algebra over S with an inner Galois group \bar{G} .

Theorem 3.2 can be generalized to a projective group ring $R G_f$ of a group G over a ring R (not necessarily commutative) with a factor set $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of the center of R .

Theorem 3.3. ([22], Theorem 3.2) *Let $R G_f$ be a Galois projective group ring of G over a ring R , C the center of $R G_f$, and R_0 the center of R . Then the following are equivalent: (1) $R G_f$ is a Galois extension of $(R G_f)^{\bar{G}}$ with an inner Galois group \bar{G} induced by $\{U_g \mid g \in G\}$. (2) $C \bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is a central Galois projective group algebra of \bar{G} over C with factor set $\bar{f} : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow$ units of C induced by $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of R_0 . (3) $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are free over $R C$ and $R C = \bigoplus_{g \in K} R U_g$ where $U_{\bar{g}} = U_g$ for each $g \in G$ and $K = \{g \in \text{the center of } G \mid f(g, g') = f(g', g) \text{ for all } g' \in G\}$.*

Proof. Let Z be the center of G . We first note that $\bar{G} \cong G/K$ where $K = \{g \in Z \mid f(g, g') = f(g', g) \text{ for all } g' \in G\}$ and that $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are free over C where $U_{\bar{g}} = U_g$ for each $g \in G$ by the argument used in the proof of Theorem 3.1. Next we prove (1) \implies (2) and leave other implications (2) \implies (1) and (2) \implies (3) \implies (2) to readers.

Since RG_f is a Galois extension of $(RG_f)^{\bar{G}}$ with an inner Galois group \bar{G} , $\{U_{\bar{g}} \mid \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are free over RC . Noting that $\bar{f} : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow$ units of R_0 contained in C , we have that $C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is a projective group algebra of \bar{G} over C with factor set $\bar{f} : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow$ units of C where \bar{f} is induced by $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of R_0 . Moreover, since $R_0K_f \subset C$, $\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} (R_0K_f)U_{\bar{g}} \subset C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$. But $\bar{G} = G/K$, so

$$RG_f = \sum_{g \in G} RU_g = R(R_0G_f) \subset R\left(\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} CU_{\bar{g}}\right) = R(C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}) \subset RG_f.$$

Hence $RG_f = R(C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}})$. Thus $\bar{G}|_{C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}} \cong \bar{G}$. Next we claim that C is also the center of $\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} CU_{\bar{g}}$ ($= C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$). In fact, clearly, C is contained in the center of $C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$. Conversely, for any $x \in$ the center of $C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$, x is in the center of $\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} CU_{\bar{g}}$. Also, for any $r \in R$, $rx = xr$, so x is in the center of $R(\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} CU_{\bar{g}})$ which is RG_f . Thus $x \in C$. Therefore $C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is an Azumaya C -algebra; and so $C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ is a central Galois C -algebra with an inner Galois group $\bar{G}|_{C\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}} \cong \bar{G}$ ([4], Theorem 6).

We give two examples of Galois extensions with an inner Galois group G .

Example 1. Let $R[i, j, k]$ be the real quaternion algebra over real field R with inner automorphism group $G = \{1, \bar{i}, \bar{j}, \bar{k}\}$ where $\bar{i}(x) = xix^{-1}$, $\bar{j}(x) = xjx^{-1}$, and $\bar{k}(x) = kxk^{-1}$ for $x \in R[i, j, k]$. Then $R[i, j, k] = R \oplus Ri \oplus Rj \oplus Rk$, a projective group algebra RG_f with center R ; and so it is a central Galois algebra over R with an inner Galois group G .

Example 2. Let $T = R[i] \subset R[i, j, k]$ as given in Example 1 and $H_i = \{1, \bar{i}\} \subset G$. Then $(R[i, j, k])^{H_i} = R[i]$ and $R[i, j, k]$ is a noncommutative Galois extension of $R[i]$ with a cyclic Galois group H_i . We note that any Galois algebra with a cyclic Galois group is commutative ([4], Theorem 11).

By using Theorem 3.2, we derive some characterizations for a Galois extension B as given in Theorem 3.2 which is generated by $\{U_g \mid g \in G\}$ over B^G . We recall that C is the center of B , S the center of CG_f , Z the center of G , and $K = \{g \in Z \mid f(g, h) = f(h, g) \text{ for all } h \in G\}$.

Theorem 3.4. ([23], Theorem 2.3) *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G of order n invertible in B . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $B = \sum_{g \in G} B^G U_g$, i.e., B is generated by $\{U_g \mid g \in G\}$ over B^G ;
- (2) $B = B^G G_f$, a projective group ring of G over B^G with factor set $f : G \times G \rightarrow$ units of C ;
- (3) $C = S$;
- (4) $\sum_{g \in G} CU_g$, the subring of B generated by $\{U_g \mid g \in G\}$ over C , is a central Galois C -algebra with Galois group $\bar{G} \cong G$;
- (5) $\sum_{g \in G} CU_g$ is an Azumaya C -algebra;

(6) $K = \langle 1 \rangle$ and $\{U_{\bar{g}} | \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are linearly independent over S .

4. THE AZUMAYA ALGEBRA

Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G whose order n is invertible in B as given in Theorem 3.2, $G = \{g \in G | g(x) = U_g x U_g^{-1} \text{ for some } U_g \in B \text{ and for all } x \in B\}$, C the center of B , Z the center of G , and $K = \{g \in Z | f(g, h) = f(h, g) \text{ for all } h \in G\}$. Assume that B is an Azumaya C -algebra. We shall show an equivalent condition for a central Galois algebra CG_f in terms of the Galois extension B^K of B^G with Galois group G/K .

Theorem 4.1. ([23], Theorem 3.1) *Let B be given in Theorem 3.2. If B is an Azumaya C -algebra, then $V_B(B^G) = CG_f$.*

Proof. Since n is invertible in B , CG_f is a separable subalgebra of the Azumaya C -algebra B . Hence $V_B(V_B(CG_f)) = CG_f$. Noting that $V_B(CG_f) = B^G$, we have that $V_B(B^G) = CG_f$.

Theorem 4.2. ([23], Theorem 3.2) *Let B be given in Theorem 3.2. Assume B is an Azumaya C -algebra. Then CG_f is a central Galois algebra over its center S with Galois group \bar{G} ($= G/K$) if and only if $B^K = B^G \cdot (CG_f)$.*

Proof. (\implies) Since CG_f is a central Galois algebra with Galois group \bar{G} ($= G/K$), CG_f has a \bar{G} -Galois system. Clearly, $CG_f \subset B^G \cdot (CG_f) \subset B^K$ and $(B^G \cdot (CG_f))^G = (B^K)^G = B^G$, so $B^G \cdot (CG_f)$ and B^K are also Galois extensions with the same Galois system as CG_f by noting that the restrictions of G to $B^G \cdot (CG_f)$ and B^K are isomorphic with \bar{G} ($= G/K$). Thus $B^K = B^G \cdot (CG_f)$.

(\impliedby) By hypothesis, B is a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G of order n invertible in B , so B^K is a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group G/K . Let S be the center of CG_f . Since CG_f is a separable C -subalgebra of the Azumaya C -algebra B , $V_B(V_B(CG_f)) = CG_f$. Hence CG_f , B^G ($= V_B(CG_f)$), and $B^G \cdot (CG_f)$ have the same center S . By hypothesis, $B^K = B^G \cdot (CG_f)$. Thus S is the center of B^K . But B^K is a Galois extension of B^G with an inner Galois group \bar{G} ($= G/K$), so B^K contains the separable projective group algebra $S\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ where $f : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow \text{units of } S$ induced by $f : G \times G \rightarrow \text{units of } C$ by Theorem 3.1. Thus $\{U_{\bar{g}} | \bar{g} \in \bar{G}\}$ are linearly independent over S . Therefore CG_f is a central Galois algebra with Galois group \bar{G} by Theorem 3.2.

Corollary 4.3. ([23], Corollary 3.1) *Let B be given in Theorem 4.2. Then B^K is a Galois projective group ring of \bar{G} over $B^G S$ with factor set $\bar{f} : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow \text{units of } C$.*

Proof. By Theorem 4.2, $B^K = B^G \cdot (CG_f)$ and $CG_f = S\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$, so $B^K = B^G \cdot (CG_f) = B^G(S\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}) = (B^G S)\bar{G}_{\bar{f}}$ which is a Galois projective group ring of \bar{G} over $B^G S$ with factor set $\bar{f} : \bar{G} \times \bar{G} \rightarrow \text{units of } C$.

5. THE GALOIS COMMUTATOR SUBRING

We note that a Galois extension with an inner Galois group G is a Hirata separable extension of B^G ([17], Corollary 3). In [17], let B be a Hirata separable Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G and $\Delta = V_B(B^G) = \{b \in G \mid ba = ab \text{ for each element } a \in B^G\}$, the commutator subring of B^G in B . A sufficient condition was given for Δ being a Galois algebra with Galois group G/N where $N = \{g \in G \mid g(x) = x \text{ for all } x \in \Delta\}$. We shall study the problem for a Galois extension B of B^G with Galois group G such that Δ is a Galois extension with Galois group G/N . Such a Galois extension B with Galois group G will be characterized in terms of a composition of two Galois extensions: $B \supset B^G \cdot V_B(B^G) \supset B^G$ and in terms of crossed products respectively.

We begin with two lemmas whose proofs are straightforward.

Lemma 5.1. ([24], Lemma 3.1) *Let T be a ring and G an automorphism group of T . Then (1) $V_T(T^G)$ is a G -invariant subring of T and (2) $(V_T(T^G))^G$ is contained in the center of $V_T(T^G)$ (hence $V_T(T^G)$ is an algebra over $(V_T(T^G))^G$).*

Lemma 5.2. ([24], Lemma 3.2) *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G and A a G -invariant subring of B under the action of G . If A is a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G , then $A = B$.*

Theorem 5.3. ([24], Theorem 3.3) *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G , $\Delta = V_B(B^G)$, and $D = \Delta^G$. Then the following statements are equivalent: (1) Δ is a Galois algebra over D with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N where $N = \{g \in G \mid g(x) = x \text{ for all } x \in \Delta\}$. (2) $B^G \Delta$ is a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N and Δ is a finitely generated and projective module over D . (3) B is a composition of two Galois extensions: $B \supset B^G \Delta$ with Galois group N and $B^G \Delta \supset B^G$ with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N such that $J_{\bar{g}}^{(\Delta)}$ is a finitely generated projective module over D for each $\bar{g} \in G/N$ where $J_{\bar{g}}^{(\Delta)} = \{b \in \Delta \mid bx = g(x)b \text{ for all } x \in \Delta\}$.*

Proof. (1) \implies (2) Since the automorphism groups induced by G/N on $B^G \Delta$ and Δ are isomorphic and Δ is a Galois algebra over D where $D = \Delta^G$, $B^G \Delta$ is a Galois extension of $(B^G \Delta)^G (= B^G)$ with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N .

(2) \implies (1) Since $B^G \Delta \supset B^G$ is a Galois extension with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N , the crossed product

$$(B^G \Delta) * (G/N) \cong \text{Hom}_{B^G}(B^G \Delta, B^G \Delta).$$

Denoting G/N by \bar{G} , we have that

$$\alpha : (B^G \Delta) * \bar{G} \cong \text{Hom}_{B^G}(B^G \Delta, B^G \Delta)$$

by $(\alpha(\sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} a_{\bar{g}} \bar{g}))(x) = \sum_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} a_{\bar{g}} \bar{g}(x)$ for each $x \in B^G \Delta$. Then

$$\Delta * \bar{G} = V_{B^G \Delta * \bar{G}}(B^G) \cong V_{\text{Hom}_{B^G}(B^G \Delta, B^G \Delta)}(\alpha(B^G)).$$

It can be verified that $V_{\text{Hom}_{B^G}(B^G\Delta, B^G\Delta)}(\alpha(B^G)) = \text{Hom}_D(\Delta, \Delta)$ where $D = \Delta^{\bar{G}} = \Delta^G$. But Δ is a finitely generated and projective module over D , so Δ is a Galois algebra over D with Galois group isomorphic with \bar{G} .

(2) \implies (3) Since $B^G\Delta \subset B^N$ such that $(B^G\Delta)^G = B^G = (B^N)^G$ and $B^G\Delta$ is a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with \bar{G} ($= G/N$), $B^N = B^G\Delta$ by Lemma 5.2. Moreover, noting that $V_{B^G\Delta}(B^G) = \Delta = \bigoplus_{\bar{g} \in \bar{G}} J_{\bar{g}}^{(\Delta)}$ ([12], Proposition 1 and Theorem 1), we conclude that $J_{\bar{g}}^{(\Delta)}$ is a finitely generated projective module over D for each $\bar{g} \in G/N$.

(3) \implies (2) is clear.

By Theorem 5.3, we shall derive some consequences for several well known classes of Galois extensions. We recall that B is a center Galois extension with Galois group G if its center C is a Galois algebra over C^G with Galois group $G|_C \cong G$, and B is a commutator Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G if $V_B(B^G)$ is a Galois extension of $(V_B(B^G))^G$ with Galois group $G|_{V_B(B^G)} \cong G$.

Corollary 5.4. *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G . If $B = B^G C$ such that C is finitely generated and projective over C^G , then B a center Galois extension with Galois group G .*

Corollary 5.5. *Let B be a Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G . If $B = B^G \Delta$ such that Δ is finitely generated and projective over Δ^G , then B a commutator Galois extension with Galois group G .*

Remark. Since a DeMeyer-Kanzaki Galois extension is also a center Galois extension ([4], Lemma 2) and an Azumaya Galois extension is a commutator Galois extension ([1], Theorem 2), Corollary 5.4 and Corollary 5.5 hold for the classes of DeMeyer-Kanzaki Galois extensions and Azumaya Galois extensions.

Corollary 5.6. *Let B be a Hirata separable Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G . If $B = B^G \Delta$, then Δ is a Galois algebra with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N .*

Proof. Since B is a Hirata separable Galois extension of B^G with Galois group G , J_g is a finitely generated and projective rank one module over C^G for each $g \in G$ ([17], Theorem 2). The corollary holds by Theorem 5.3.

We continue to characterize a Galois commutator subring Δ in terms of crossed products.

Theorem 5.7. *Keeping the notations of Theorem 5.3, the following statements are equivalent: (1) Δ is a Galois algebra over Δ^G with Galois group induced by and isomorphic with G/N where $N = \{g \in G \mid g(x) = x \text{ for all } x \in \Delta\}$. (2) Let $\Delta * (G/N)$ be the crossed*

product of G/N over Δ with trivial factor set. Then $\Delta * (G/N)$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G . (3) Let $(B^G\Delta) * (G/N)$ be the crossed product of G/N over $B^G\Delta$ with trivial factor set. Then $(B^G\Delta) * (G/N)$ is a Hirata separable extension of B^G such that B^G is a direct summand of $(B^G\Delta) * (G/N)$ as a B^G -bimodule.

Proof. (1) \implies (2) Since Δ is a Galois algebra over Δ^G with Galois group \overline{G} induced by and isomorphic with G/N , $\Delta * \overline{G} \cong \text{Hom}_{\Delta^G}(\Delta, \Delta)$ where Δ is a finitely generated and projective module over Δ^G . Noting that Δ is an algebra with 1 over Δ^G , we have that $\text{Hom}_{\Delta^G}(\Delta, \Delta)$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G . Hence $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G .

(2) \implies (1) By hypothesis, $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G , so $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is a Hirata separable extension of Δ ([8], Theorem 1). Since Δ is a progenerator of Δ , Δ is a progenerator of $\Delta * \overline{G}$. Thus Δ is a Galois algebra over Δ^G with Galois group isomorphic with \overline{G} .

(2) \implies (3) Since $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G , $B^G \otimes_{\Delta^G} (\Delta * \overline{G})$ is a Hirata separable extension of B^G ; and so, as a homomorphism image of $(B^G \otimes_{\Delta^G} \Delta) * \overline{G}$, $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is also a Hirata separable extension of B^G . Since $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G again, Δ is a Galois algebra over Δ^G with Galois group \overline{G} by (2) \implies (1). Hence there exists an element $d \in \Delta$ such that $\text{tr}_{\overline{G}}(d) = 1$ ([12], proof of Proposition 5) where $\text{tr}_{\overline{G}}(\cdot) = \sum_{\overline{g} \in \overline{G}} \overline{g}(\cdot)$. Thus $\text{tr}_{\overline{G}}(\cdot) : B^G\Delta \longrightarrow B^G \longrightarrow 0$ is exact as B^G -bimodule homomorphism, and so B^G is a direct summand of $B^G\Delta$ as B^G -bimodule homomorphism. Noting that $B^G\Delta$ a direct summand of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ as a B^G -bimodule, we conclude that so is B^G .

(3) \implies (2) Since $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is a Hirata separable extension of B^G such that B^G is a direct summand of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ as a B^G -bimodule, $V_{(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}}(B^G)$ is a separable algebra over the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ ([16], Theorem 1). But $V_{(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}}(B^G) = \Delta * \overline{G}$, so $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is a separable algebra over the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$. We claim that the centers of $\Delta * \overline{G}$ and $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ are Δ^G . In fact, by hypothesis, $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is a Hirata separable extension of B^G such that B^G is a direct summand of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ as a B^G -bimodule again, $V_{(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}}(V_{(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}}(B^G)) = B^G$ ([16], Theorem 1). Hence the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is contained in B^G ; and so it is contained in the center of B^G . Conversely, the center of B^G is clearly contained in the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$. Thus, the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is equal to the center of B^G . Moreover, since the center of B^G is Δ^G , the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is Δ^G . But the centers of $\Delta * \overline{G}$ and $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ are the same, so the center of $(B^G\Delta) * \overline{G}$ is Δ^G . Therefore, $\Delta * \overline{G}$ is an Azumaya algebra over Δ^G .

Corollary 5.8. *Let B satisfy the equivalent conditions of Theorem 5.7. Then $N = \langle 1 \rangle$ if and only if $B = B^G\Delta$ such that $\Delta^G = C^G$ where C is the center of B .*

Corollary 5.9. *Let B satisfy the equivalent conditions of Theorem 5.7. If N is a maximal subgroup of G , then Δ is a commutative Galois algebra over Δ^G with a cyclic Galois group G/N ([4], Theorem 11).*

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