# On weakly separable polynomials and weakly quasi-separable polynomials in *q*-skew polynomial rings

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#### Abstract

The notion of weakly separable extensions and weakly quasi-separable extensions were were introduced by N.Hamaguchi and A.Nakajima as generalizations of separable extensions. and quasi-separable extensions, respectively. In this paper, we shall study weakly separable polynomials and weakly quasiseparable polynomials in q-skew polynomial ring.

# 1 Introduction

My talk at the conference was based on the paper [12]. The contents of this paper therefore overlaps with the publication.

Let A/B be a ring extension with common identity 1, M an A-A-bimodule,  $M^A = \{m \in M \mid zm = mz \; (\forall z \in A)\}, \text{ and } z, w \text{ arbitrary elements in } A.$  An additive map  $\delta: A \to M$  is called a *B*-derivation of A to M if  $\delta(zw) = \delta(z)w + z\delta(w)$  and  $\delta(B) = \{0\}$ . A B-derivation  $\delta$  of A to M is called *central* if  $\delta(z)w = w\delta(z)$ , and  $\delta$  is called *inner* if  $\delta(z) = mz - zm$  for some fixed element  $m \in M$ . We say that A/B is separable if the A-A-homomorphism of  $A \otimes_B A$  onto A defined by  $a \otimes b \mapsto ab$ splits (cf. [3, Definition 2]), or equivalently, every B-derivation of A to N is inner for any A-A-bimodule N (cf. [1, Satz 4.2]). A/B is said to be quasi-separable if every central B-derivation of A to N is zero for any A-A-bimodule N. The notion of a quasi-separable extension of commutative rings was introduced by Y.Nakai (cf. [8]), and in the noncommutative case, it was characterized by H.Komatsu (cf. [6]). A/B is called *weakly separable* if every B-derivation of A to A is inner, and A/Bis called *weakly quasi-separable* if every central *B*-derivation of A to A is zero. The notion of weakly separable extension introduced by N.Hamaguchi and A.Nakajim as generalizations of separable extensions and quasi-separable extensions (cf. [2]). Obviously, a separable extension is weakly separable and a quasi-separable extension is weakly quasi-separable. Moreover, K.Komatsu showed that a separable extension is quasi-separable (cf. [6, Theorem 2.4]).

Throughout this article,  $C(\Lambda)$  will mean the center of the ring  $\Lambda$ . From now on, let B be a ring,  $\rho$  an automorphism of B, D a  $\rho$ -derivation (that is, D is an additive endomorphism of B such that  $D(\alpha\beta) = D(\alpha)\rho(\beta) + \alpha D(\beta)$  for any  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta \in B$ ). We set  $B^{\rho} = \{\alpha \in B \mid \rho(\alpha) = \alpha\}, B^{D} = \{\alpha \in B \mid D(\alpha) = 0\}$ , and  $B^{\rho,D} = B^{\rho} \cap B^{D}$ . By  $B[X; \rho, D]$  we denote the skew polynomial ring in which the multiplication is given by  $\alpha X = X\rho(\alpha) + D(\alpha)$  for any  $\alpha \in B$ . We call  $B[X; \rho, D]$  a q-skew polynomial ring if there exists a  $q \in B^{\rho,D} \cap C(B)$  such that  $D\rho(\alpha) = q\rho D(\alpha)$  for any  $\alpha \in B$ , and we denote it by  $B[X; \rho, D]^q$ . We write  $B[X; \rho] = B[X; \rho, 0]$  and B[X; D] = B[X; 1, D]. Moreover, by  $B[X; \rho, D]_{(0)}$  we denote the set of all monic polynomials f in  $B[X; \rho, D]$  such that  $fB[X; \rho, D] = B[X; \rho, D]f$ . For any polynomial  $f \in B[X; \rho, D]_{(0)}$ , the quotient ring  $B[X; \rho, D]/fB[X; \rho, D]$  is a free ring extension of B. A polynomial f in  $B[X; \rho, D]_{(0)}$  is called *separable* (resp. *weakly quasi-separable*) in  $B[X; \rho, D]$  if  $B[X; \rho, D]/fB[X; \rho, D]$  is separable (resp. weakly separable (resp. weakly quasi-separable)) over B.

In the previous paper [11], the author studied weakly separable polynomials in  $B[X; \rho]$  and B[X; D]. In particular, we showed necessary and sufficient conditions concerning weakly separable polynomials (cf. [11, Theorem 3.2 and Theorem 3.8]). In this paper, we shall give some improvements and generalizations of our results for the q-skew polynomial ring  $B[X; \rho, D]^q$  with  $q \in B^{\rho, D} \cap C(B)$ .

### 2 Main results

In this section, let  $R = B[X; \rho, D]^q$  with  $q \in B^{\rho,D} \cap C(B)$ ,  $R_{(0)} = B[X; \rho, D]_{(0)}^q$ , and  $f = \sum_{i=0}^m X^i a_i \in R_{(0)} \cap B^{\rho}[X]$   $(a_m = 1, m \ge 1)$ . Note that f is in  $C(B^{\rho,D})[X]$ . We shall use the following conventions:

- A = R/fR (the quotient ring)
- $x = X + fR \in A$  (that is,  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{m-1}\}$  is a free *B*-basis of *A*)
- $I_x$  = an inner derivation of A by x (that is,  $I_x(z) = zx xz \; (\forall z \in A))$
- $A_k = \{z \in A \mid \alpha z = z \rho^k(\alpha) \ (\forall \alpha \in B)\} \ (k \in \mathbb{Z})$

Note that  $A_0$  is the centralizer of B in A. Moreover, we define polynomials  $Y_j \in R$   $(0 \le j \le m - 1)$  as follows:

$$Y_{0} = X^{m-1} + X^{m-2}a_{m-1} + \dots + Xa_{2} + a_{1},$$

$$Y_{1} = X^{m-2} + X^{m-3}a_{m-1} + \dots + Xa_{3} + a_{2},$$

$$\dots$$

$$Y_{j} = X^{m-j-1} + X^{m-j-2}a_{m-1} + \dots + Xa_{j+2} + a_{j+1},$$

$$\dots$$

$$Y_{m-2} = X + a_{m-1},$$

$$Y_{m-1} = 1.$$

Note that  $XY_j = Y_{j-1} - a_j$   $(1 \le j \le m-1)$  and  $XY_0 = f - a_0$ . These polynomials  $Y_j$   $(0 \le j \le m-1)$  were introduced by Y.Miyashita to characterize separable

polynomials in  $B[X; \rho, D]$  (cf. [7]). Now let  $y_j = Y_j + fR \in A$   $(0 \le j \le m - 1)$  and we define a map  $\tau : A \to A$  as follows:

$$\tau(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} y_j z x^j \ (z \in A).$$

Obviously,  $\tau$  is an endomorphism of A as a C(A)-C(A)-bimodule.

We can see that if  $\delta$  is a *B*-derivation of *A* then  $\delta(x) \in A_1 \cap \text{Ker}(\tau)$ , and if  $u \in A_1 \cap \text{Ker}(\tau)$  then there exists a *B*-derivation  $\delta$  of *A* such that  $\delta(x) = u$ . Then we shall state the following theorem which is generalizations of [11, Theorem 3.2] and [11, Theorem 3.8].

**Theorem 2.1.** f is weakly separable in R if and only if

$$A_1 \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\tau) \subset I_x(A_0).$$

In virtue of Theorem 2.1, we have the following which is an improvement of [11, Theorem 3.10].

**Theorem 2.2.** Assume that R = B[X; D] and let  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{m} X^{i}a_{i}$   $(a_{m} = 1, m \ge 1)$  be in  $R_{(0)}$ .

(1) f is weakly separable in R if and only if the following sequence of C(A)-C(A)-homomorphisms is exact:

$$0 \longrightarrow C(A) \xrightarrow{\text{injection}} A_0 \xrightarrow{I_x} A_0 \xrightarrow{\tau} C(A).$$

(2) f is separable in R if and only if the following sequence of C(A)-C(A)-homomorphisms is exact:

$$0 \longrightarrow C(A) \xrightarrow{\text{injection}} A_0 \xrightarrow{I_x} A_0 \xrightarrow{\tau} C(A) \longrightarrow 0.$$

At the end of this section, we shall mention briefly on weakly quasi-separable polynomials in  $B[X; \rho, D]_{(0)}^q$ . We can define an automorphism  $\rho^*$  of R and a  $\rho^*$ -derivation  $D^*$  of A as follows:

$$\rho^*\left(\sum_j X^j c_j\right) = \sum_j X^j \rho(c_j), \ D^*\left(\sum_j X^j c_j\right) = \sum_j X^j D(c_j) \ (c_j \in B).$$

Since  $f \in B^{\rho,D}[X]$ , it is easy to see that  $\rho^*(fR) \subset fR$  and  $D^*(fR) \subset fR$ . Hence there is an automorphism  $\tilde{\rho}$  of A and a  $\tilde{\rho}$ -derivation  $\tilde{D}$  of A which is naturally induced by  $\rho^*$  and  $D^*$ , respectively. More precisely,  $\tilde{\rho}$  and  $\tilde{D}$  are defined by

$$\tilde{\rho}\left(\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} x^j c_j\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} x^j \rho(c_j), \ \tilde{D}\left(\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} x^j c_j\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} x^j D(c_j) \ (c_j \in B).$$

We put here  $A^{\tilde{\rho}} = \{z \in A \mid \tilde{\rho}(z) = z\}$ ,  $A^{\tilde{D}} = \{z \in A \mid \tilde{D}(z) = 0\}$ , and  $A^{\tilde{\rho},\tilde{D}} = A^{\tilde{\rho}} \cap A^{\tilde{D}}$ . Clearly,  $A^{\tilde{\rho},\tilde{D}} \subset \operatorname{Ker}(I_x)$ . We can see that  $A^{\tilde{\rho},\tilde{D}} = \operatorname{Ker}(I_x)$  if  $\operatorname{Ker}(I_x) \subset A^{\tilde{\rho}}$ . Then we have the following.

**Proposition 2.3.** Assume that  $\text{Ker}(I_x) \subset A^{\tilde{\rho}}$ . If f is weakly separable in  $C(B^{\rho,D})[X]$ , then f is weakly quasi-separable in R.

In virtue of Proposition 3.1 and [11, Theorem 2.2], we have the following.

**Corollary 2.4.** f is weakly quasi-separable in B[X;D] if f is weakly separable in  $C(B^D)[X]$ .

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