

On pseudo-product graded Lie algebras

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Introduction.

For several years, N. Tanaka has worked on the geometry of pseudo-product manifolds in connection with the geometric study of systems of k -th order ordinary differential equations, where $k \geq 2$. A study in this line can be found in his recent paper [6]. His theory shows that the geometry is closely related to the study of pseudo-product graded Lie algebras, which we will explain later on.

The main purpose of this paper is to prove structure theorems on some restricted types of pseudo-product graded Lie algebras.

Let $m = \bigoplus_{p < 0} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be a graded Lie algebra with $0 < \dim m < \infty$. Then m is called a fundamental graded Lie algebra or simply an FGLA, if m is generated by \mathfrak{g}_{-1} . Let e and f be subspaces of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} . Then the triplet $(m; e, f)$ is called a pseudo-product FGLA if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) m is an FGLA.
- (2) $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = e \oplus f$ and $[e, e] = [f, f] = \{0\}$

A pseudo-product FGLA $(m; e, f)$ is called non-degenerate, if the condition " $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$ and $[x, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}] = \{0\}$ " implies $x = 0$.

Now let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be a graded Lie algebra and let e and f be subspaces of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} . Set $m = \bigoplus_{p < 0} \mathfrak{g}_p$. Then \mathfrak{g} (together with e and f) is called a pseudo-product graded Lie algebra if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) $(m; e, f)$ is a pseudo-product FGLA.
- (2) \mathfrak{g} is transitive, i. e. the condition " $p \geq 0, x \in \mathfrak{g}_p$ and $[x, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}] = \{0\}$ " implies $x = 0$.
- (3) $[\mathfrak{g}_0, e] \subset e$ and $[\mathfrak{g}_0, f] \subset f$

Let $(m; e, f)$ be an FGLA and \mathfrak{g}_0 be its derivations of the graded Lie algebra m leaving both e and f invariant. Then the prolongation $\overset{\vee}{\mathfrak{g}} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \overset{\vee}{\mathfrak{g}}_p$ of the pair $(m; \mathfrak{g}_0)$ is called the prolongation of $(m; e, f)$ (see [4] and [6]), which may be characterized as the maximum pseudo-product graded Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ such that $\bigoplus_{p \leq 0} \mathfrak{g}_p = m \oplus \overset{\vee}{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ (as graded Lie algebras). It is known that if $(m; e, f)$ is non-degenerate, then $\overset{\vee}{\mathfrak{g}}$ is of finite dimension (see

N. Tanaka [6], page 292).

These being prepared, our main theorems (Theorem 3.2 and 3.3) together may be stated as follows: let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be a pseudo-product graded Lie algebra over the field \mathbf{C} of complex numbers or the field \mathbf{R} of real numbers. Assume that the natural representations of \mathfrak{g}_0 on both \mathfrak{e} and \mathfrak{f} are irreducible and that the pseudo-product FGLA $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$ is non-degenerate. If $\mathfrak{g}_2 \neq \{0\}$, the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is of finite dimension and simple.

Following N. Tanaka (see [5] and [6]), we will explain how the geometry of pseudo-product manifolds is related to the study of pseudo-product graded Lie algebras, as we promised. Let R be a manifold, and E and F be two differential systems on R . Then the triplet $(R; E, F)$ is called a pseudo-product manifold, if both E and F are completely integrable, and $E \cap F = \{0\}$. Let $(R; E, F)$ be a pseudo-product manifold. Assuming that the differential system $D = E + F$ is regular, let us consider the symbol algebra $(\mathfrak{m}(x); E(x), F(x))$ of $(R; E, F)$ at each point $x \in R$, which is a pseudo-product FGLA. Note that $\mathfrak{m}(x)$ is the symbol algebra of D at x , and $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = D(x)$. Given a pseudo-product FGLA, $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$, the pseudo-product manifold $(R; E, F)$ is called of type $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$, if D is regular, the symbol algebra $(\mathfrak{m}(x); E(x), F(x))$ of $(R; E, F)$ at each $x \in R$ is isomorphic with the given $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$, and $\dim R = \dim \mathfrak{m}$.

Now, let $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$ be a non-degenerate pseudo-product FGLA, and let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be its prolongation. Then N. Tanaka showed that to every pseudo-product manifold $(R; E, F)$ of type $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$ there is associated, in canonical manner, a manifold (P, ω) with absolutely parallelism satisfying the following conditions: 1) $\dim P = \dim \mathfrak{g}$ 2) P is a fibred manifold over M , and 3) ω is a \mathfrak{g} -valued 1-form on P , and gives the absolutely parallelism. In particular, it follows that the Lie algebra \mathfrak{a} of all infinitesimal automorphisms of $(R; E, F)$ is of finite dimension, and $\dim \mathfrak{a} \leq \dim \mathfrak{g}$. Furthermore, he showed that if \mathfrak{g} is simple, to every pseudo-product manifold $(R; E, F)$ of type $(\mathfrak{m}; \mathfrak{e}, \mathfrak{f})$ there is associated a connection of type \mathfrak{g} on R in natural manner. Recently he has generalized this fact to the case where \mathfrak{g} is not semisimple (and satisfies certain conditions), and has applied the result to the geometric study of systems of k -th order ordinary differential equations, where $k \geq 3$.

We have thus seen that our main theorems are applicable to the geometry of pseudo-product manifolds. It should be remarked that our main theorems are likewise applicable to the geometry of pseudo-complex manifolds, which is based on N. Tanaka's work [4] and the fact that the complexification of a pseudo-complex FGLA becomes naturally a pseudo-product FGLA (see also [6]).

We will now give a brief description of the various sections. Following V. G. Kac [1], we first give basic definitions on graded Lie algebras and minimal graded Lie algebras. In Section 2, we consider a finite dimensional transitive graded Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ over \mathbb{C} for which the natural representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_{-1} is completely reducible. Our main task in this section is to determine the structure of the local part $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ of \mathfrak{g} , and discuss conditions for \mathfrak{g} to be semisimple (Corollary 2.5). To do these, we apply the reasonings, due to V. G. Kac [1], in the realization of graded Lie algebras, and use the fundamental representation theory of finite dimensional Lie algebras. In Section 3 we prove the main theorems by using the finite dimensionality of the pseudo-product graded Lie algebras and by applying the results in Section 2.

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§ 1. Preliminaries

In this section, the ground field K is assumed to be of characteristic zero. In fact in our applications K will be the field \mathbb{C} of complex numbers or the field \mathbb{R} of real numbers.

1.1. Graded Lie algebras.

Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie algebra. If \mathbb{Z} is the ring of integers, a \mathbb{Z} -gradation of \mathfrak{g} is, by definition, a direct decomposition

$$\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i \text{ such that } [\mathfrak{g}_i, \mathfrak{g}_j] = \mathfrak{g}_{i+j}, \dim \mathfrak{g}_i < \infty \ (i \in \mathbb{Z})$$

We will call a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} a \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra when \mathfrak{g} has such a \mathbb{Z} -gradation. A subalgebra (resp. an ideal) $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is called a \mathbb{Z} -graded subalgebra (resp. ideal) if $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g} \cap \mathfrak{g}_i$. Let \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{g}' be two \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebras. Then, by definition, a homomorphism $\phi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}'$ of \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebras preserves the \mathbb{Z} -gradation in the sense that $\phi(\mathfrak{g}_i) \subset \mathfrak{g}'_i$. Similarly isomorphisms and epimorphisms of \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebras are defined.

Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$ be a \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra. We will denote by \mathfrak{g}_- the subalgebra $\bigoplus_{i \leq -1} \mathfrak{g}_i$. Then a \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is called *transitive* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1.1.1) $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \neq \{0\}$ and \mathfrak{g}_- is an FGLA.
- (1.1.2) For $x \in \mathfrak{g}_i (i \geq 0)$, $[x, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}] = \{0\}$ implies $x = 0$.

1.2. Correspondence between local Lie algebra and graded Lie algebras (see V. G. Kac. [1]. page 1276-1277)

A direct sum of vector spaces $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ is called a *local Lie algebra* if

one has bilinear maps $\cdot : \mathfrak{g}_i \times \mathfrak{g}_j \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_{i+j}$ for $|i|, |j|, |i+j| \leq 1$, such that anticommutativity and the Jacobi identity hold whenever they make sense. Homomorphisms and isomorphisms of local Lie algebras are defined as in the case of graded Lie algebras. Given a \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$, the subspace $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ is a local Lie algebra, which is called the local part of \mathfrak{g} .

Now, let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$ be a \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra generated by $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$. Then the \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is called *minimal* if, for any other \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}' , each isomorphism of the local parts $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}'}$ extends to an epimorphism of \mathfrak{g}' onto \mathfrak{g} . Indeed, for any local Lie algebra $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$, there is a minimal \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} whose local part is isomorphic to $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ (see V. G. Kac [1], page 1276). We will utilize this fact in the proof of Lemma 2.2.

§ 2. Finite dimensional transitive graded Lie algebras

In this section, we state a necessary and sufficient condition under which a finite dimensional transitive \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra over \mathbf{C} be semisimple. Also, throughout this section, we assume that the ground field is the field of complex numbers \mathbf{C} .

2.1. Throughout this section, $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$ will denote a finite dimensional transitive \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra for which the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_{-1} is completely reducible. We denote by ϕ_i the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_i induced by restriction of the adjoint representation of \mathfrak{g} . By the assumption, we can decompose \mathfrak{g}_{-1} into a direct sum of \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodules

$$(2.1.1) \quad \mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}'_{-1}, \quad \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1} = \bigoplus_{j=1}^t \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}, \quad \mathfrak{g}'_{-1} = \bigoplus_{j=t+1}^{n(-1)} \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)},$$

where each $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}$ is an irreducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} such that

$$[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}, \mathfrak{g}_1] \neq \{0\} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq t$$

and $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}, \mathfrak{g}_1] = \{0\}$ for $t < j \leq n(-1)$.

We denote by $\phi_{-1}^{(j)}$ the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}$ given by $[\mathfrak{g}_0, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}] \subset \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}$. Since ϕ_{-1} is faithful and completely reducible, \mathfrak{g}_0 is a reductive Lie algebra, i. e., $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{g}'_0 \oplus \mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0)$, where \mathfrak{g}'_0 denotes the semisimple part of \mathfrak{g}_0 and $\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ the center of \mathfrak{g}_0 .

From the assumption, we first deduce

LEMMA 2.1 *The representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g} is completely reducible.*

PROOF. We first prove that \mathfrak{g}_0 -module \mathfrak{g}_- is completely reducible. By transitivity, we can consider \mathfrak{g}_0 as a subalgebra of the Lie algebra $\text{Dergr}(\mathfrak{g}_-)$ of all the derivations of \mathfrak{g}_- preserving the gradation of \mathfrak{g}_- . On the other

hand, $\text{Dergr}(\mathfrak{g}_-)$ contains the semisimple and nilpotent components of its elements (see N. Bourbaki [2], Ch. VII, § 5, n^o1). Thus we can decompose the element x of $\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ as follows :

$$x = x_s + x_n, \quad x_s, x_n \in \text{Dergr}(\mathfrak{g}_-),$$

where x_s (resp. x_n) is the semisimple (resp. nilpotent) component of x . Since $x|_{\mathfrak{g}_{-1}}$ is semisimple and $x_n|_{\mathfrak{g}_{-1}}$ is the nilpotent component of $x|_{\mathfrak{g}_{-1}}$, we have $x_n|_{\mathfrak{g}_{-1}} = 0$. Since \mathfrak{g}_- is generated by \mathfrak{g}_{-1} , we have $x_n = 0$, so $x = x_s$. Thus \mathfrak{g}_0 -module \mathfrak{g}_- is completely reducible. Next we prove that $\mathfrak{g}_p (p \geq 0)$ is a completely reducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -module. We will use induction on p . Since \mathfrak{g}_0 is reductive, the statement holds for $p = 0$. We assume now that the statement holds for k . We consider the mapping

$$\iota : \mathfrak{g}_{k+1} \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{g}_{-1}, \mathfrak{g}_k),$$

where for $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{k+1}$, $\iota(x) = \text{ad}(x)|_{\mathfrak{g}_{-1}}$. Then, by transitivity, it is easy to prove that ι is a monomorphism of \mathfrak{g}_0 -modules, so we may regard \mathfrak{g}_{k+1} as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule of $\text{Hom}(\mathfrak{g}_{-1}, \mathfrak{g}_k)$. Owing to the induction hypothesis, $\text{Hom}(\mathfrak{g}_{-1}, \mathfrak{g}_k)$ is a completely reducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -module, so \mathfrak{g}_{k+1} is a completely reducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -module. This proves the Lemma. Q. E. D

2.2. Now we decompose \mathfrak{g}_1 into a direct sum of irreducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodules :

$$\mathfrak{g}_1 = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{n(1)} \mathfrak{g}_1^{(j)},$$

and we denote by $\phi_1^{(j)}$ the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(j)}$ given by $[\mathfrak{g}_0, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(j)}] \subset \mathfrak{g}_1^{(j)}$. In this paragraph, we will investigate the relation between $\phi_1^{(k)}$ and $\phi_1^{(i)}$.

Here we note that the elements of $\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ act on $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)} (i = 1, \dots, n(1))$ by scalar multiplications.

Let \mathfrak{h} be a Cartan subalgebra of \mathfrak{g}_0 . Then, associated to this choice is the system of weights of the representations $\phi_p, \phi_{-1}^{(i)}$ and $\phi_1^{(i)}$.

We now fix a Cartan subalgebra \mathfrak{h} and a Weyl chamber, and by Λ_i (resp. M_i) we will denote the highest (resp. lowest) weight of $\phi_{-1}^{(i)}$ (resp. $\phi_1^{(i)}$). For each Λ_i (resp. M_i), $F_{\Lambda_i} \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(\Lambda_i)}$ (resp. $E_{M_i} \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(M_i)}$) denotes a non-zero weight vector for Λ_i (resp. M_i). Also, for a root α of \mathfrak{g}'_0 , we denote by e_α a root vector for α , and let h_α be the unique element of $\mathcal{C}[e_\alpha, e_{-\alpha}]$ for which $\alpha(h_\alpha) = 2$. Fix $1 \leq i \leq n(1)$. Then there is an integer i_0 such that $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i_0)}, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}] \neq \{0\}$, since \mathfrak{g} is transitive. Here we remark that $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i_0)}, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}] \neq \{0\}$ if and only if $[E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{i_0}}] \neq \{0\}$.

Then we have

LEMMA 2.2. *The representations of \mathfrak{g}_0 on $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i_0)}$ and $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$ are contra-*

gradient (i. e., $\Lambda_{i_0} + M_i = 0$). Consequently $h := [E_{M_1}, F_{\Lambda_{i_0}}] \in \mathfrak{h}$.

PROOF. For convenience, we suppose that $i_0 = i = 1$. We first suppose that $\Lambda_1 + M_1 = \alpha$ is a root of \mathfrak{g}'_0 (i. e., $[E_{M_1}, F_{\Lambda_1}] = e_\alpha$). Then we have

$$\mathfrak{g}'_0 = \mathfrak{a}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{a}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{a}_3 \oplus \mathfrak{a}_4,$$

where each \mathfrak{a}_i is a semisimple ideal in \mathfrak{g}'_0 such that

$$\text{Ker } \phi_{-1}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{a}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{a}_2 \text{ and } \text{Ker } \phi_1^{(1)} = \mathfrak{a}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{a}_3.$$

Here we consider four cases. If α is a root of \mathfrak{a}_2 , then we have $[e_\gamma [E_{M_1}, F_{\Lambda_1}]] = [e_{-\gamma} [E_{M_1}, F_{\Lambda_1}]] = 0$ for any root γ of \mathfrak{a}_2 , which is a contradiction because of the semisimplicity of \mathfrak{a}_2 . Next suppose that α is a root of \mathfrak{a}_3 . Since $\Lambda_1 + M_1 = \alpha$ and $M_1(h_\alpha) = 0$, we have $\Lambda_1(h_\alpha) \neq 0$. Let \mathfrak{b} be the three dimensional subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} with a basis $\{[F_{\Lambda_1}, e_{-\alpha}], h_\alpha, E_{M_1}\}$. We consider \mathfrak{b} -submodule N of \mathfrak{b} -module \mathfrak{g} generated by F_{Λ_1} (i. e., $N = \text{Ad}(U(\mathfrak{b}))F_{\Lambda_1}$, where $U(\mathfrak{b})$ is the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{b}). Then we have $0 = \text{tr}(\text{ad } h_\alpha|N) = (\dim N)\Lambda_1(h_\alpha)$, which is a contradiction. Similarly, when we suppose that α is a root of \mathfrak{a}_1 , we reach a contradiction by applying the above arguments to $\mathfrak{b} = \mathbb{C}F_{\Lambda_1} \oplus \mathbb{C}h_\alpha \oplus \mathbb{C}[E_{M_1}, e_\alpha]$ and $N = \text{Ad}(U(\mathfrak{b}))E_{M_1}$. Finally, we suppose that α is a root of \mathfrak{a}_4 . Let \mathfrak{a} be a simple component of \mathfrak{a}_4 such that α is a root of \mathfrak{a} , and $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}^{(1)}$ (resp. $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_1^{(1)}$) be an irreducible \mathfrak{a} -submodule of $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ (resp. $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$) containing F_{Λ_1} (resp. E_{M_1}). Then the representations of \mathfrak{a} on $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}^{(1)}$ and $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_1^{(1)}$ are faithful and irreducible. Since $\Lambda_1 + M_1 = \alpha$, by V. G. Kac ([1], page 1299 Theorem 2), we know that $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}^{(1)} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_1^{(1)}$ is isomorphic to the local part of the special algebra S_n or the Hamiltonian algebra H_n as a local Lie algebra. Since S_n and H_n is minimal, it follows that \mathfrak{g} contains a subalgebra whose factor algebra is isomorphic to S_n or H_n . But since S_n and H_n is infinite dimensional, we obtain that \mathfrak{g} is infinite dimensional, which is a contradiction due to the assumption. Q. E. D

For the behavior of $h := [E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{i_0}}]$, we have

LEMMA 2.3. $M_i(h) = -\Lambda_{i_0}(h) \neq 0$. Consequently $[h, E_{M_i}] \neq 0$, $[h, F_{\Lambda_{i_0}}] \neq 0$.

PROOF. For convenience, we suppose $i = i_0 = 1$. We now suppose that $[h, E_{M_1}] = 0$. By transitivity, there is a weight vector v_λ of \mathfrak{g}_0 -module \mathfrak{g}_{-1} with a weight λ such that $[h, v_\lambda] \neq 0$. We put $\mathfrak{b} = \mathbb{C}E_{M_1} \oplus \mathbb{C}h \oplus \mathbb{C}F_{\Lambda_1}$ and $N = \text{Ad}(U(\mathfrak{b}))v_\lambda$. Then we have $0 = \text{tr}(\text{ad } h|N) = (\dim N)\lambda(h)$, which is a contradiction. Q. E. D

For the pair $(\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(k)}, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)})$ of \mathfrak{g}_0 -modules such that $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(k)}, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}] \neq \{0\}$, we have

LEMMA 2.4. For each i ($1 \leq i \leq n(1)$), there is a unique integer k such

that $[g_{-1}^{(k)}, g_1^{(i)}] \neq \{0\}$. Furthermore, $\Lambda_{k'} + M_i \neq 0$ for any k' such that $k \neq k'$.

PROOF. We first suppose that there are two integers k_1, k_2 such that $[E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_1}}] \neq \{0\}$ and $[E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}] \neq \{0\}$. We put $\alpha_1^\vee = [E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_1}}]$ and $\alpha_2^\vee = [E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}]$. Then, by Lemma 2.3, we have

$$[\alpha_1^\vee, E_{M_i}] = c_1 E_{M_i}, [\alpha_2^\vee, E_{M_i}] = c_2 E_{M_i}, c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}^\times.$$

First suppose that $\{\alpha_1^\vee, \alpha_2^\vee\}$ is linearly independent. Replace $\phi_{-1}^{(k_1)}$ by the irreducible representation $\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{(k_1)}$ with the highest weight Λ_{k_1} and corresponding weight vector $F_{\Lambda_{k_1}} - c_2^{-1} c_1 F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{h} &:= [E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_1}} - c_2^{-1} c_1 F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}] = \alpha_1^\vee - c_2^{-1} c_1 \alpha_2^\vee \neq 0 \\ [\tilde{h}, E_{M_i}] &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction by Lemma 2.3. Thus $\{\alpha_1^\vee, \alpha_2^\vee\}$ is linearly dependent. Moreover, multiplying E_{M_i} and $F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}$ by some non-zero scalars, we may assume that $\alpha_1^\vee = \alpha_2^\vee$ and $c_1 = c_2 = 1$. Also we put $F_\Lambda = F_{\Lambda_{k_1}} - F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}$. Then, for $s \geq 0$, we obtain by induction:

$$(\text{ad } E_{M_i})(\text{ad } F_{\Lambda_{k_1}})^{s+1} F_\Lambda = -(s+1)(s+2)/2 (\text{ad } F_{\Lambda_{k_1}})^s F_\Lambda.$$

If s_0 is the last integer such that $(\text{ad } F_{\Lambda_{k_1}})^{s_0} F_\Lambda \neq 0$, then we have $s_0 = -1$ or $s_0 = -2$, which is a contradiction.

Next we suppose that there are two integers k_1, k_2 such that $[E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_1}}] \neq \{0\}$, $\Lambda_{k_2} + M_i = 0$ and $[E_{M_i}, F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}] = 0$. Using the notation above, for $s \geq 0$, we obtain by induction

$$(\text{ad } E_{M_i})(\text{ad } F_{\Lambda_{k_1}})^{s+1} F_{\Lambda_{k_2}} = -(s+1)(s+2)/2 (\text{ad } F_{\Lambda_{k_1}})^s F_{\Lambda_{k_2}}$$

Similarly we can reach a contradiction as above.

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2.3. Using our previous results, we prove the following proposition which will play a crucial role in the investigation of the pseudo-product graded Lie algebra.

PROPOSITION 2.5. *Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$ be a finite dimensional transitive \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra over \mathbb{C} for which the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_{-1} is completely reducible. Then we have the following*

(i) *Let $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}$ and \mathfrak{g}'_{-1} be as in (2.1.1) so that $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}'_{-1}$. Then the \mathbb{Z} -graded subalgebra $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_i$ of \mathfrak{g} generated by $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1} \oplus [\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}, \mathfrak{g}_1] \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ is a semisimple Lie algebra. Furthermore the subalgebra $\bigoplus_{i \geq 1} \mathfrak{g}_i$ of \mathfrak{g} is generated by \mathfrak{g}_1 .*

(ii) *The radical \mathfrak{r} of \mathfrak{g} is a \mathbb{Z} -graded ideal in \mathfrak{g} (i. e., $\mathfrak{r} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{r}_i$, where $\mathfrak{r}_i = \mathfrak{r} \cap \mathfrak{g}_i$) and $\mathfrak{r}_i = \mathfrak{d}_i$ ($i \leq 0$) and $\mathfrak{r}_i = \{0\}$ ($i \geq 1$), where $\mathfrak{d}_{-k} = \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_{-k} : (\text{ad } \mathfrak{g}_1)^k x = 0\}$.*

$=\{0\}(k \geq 1)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_0 = \{x \in \mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0) : (\text{ad } \mathfrak{g}_1)x = \{0\}\}$. Moreover we have $\mathfrak{r}_{-1} = \mathfrak{g}'_{-1}$ and $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{r}_0 \oplus [\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}, \mathfrak{g}_1] \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0''$, where \mathfrak{g}_0'' is the centralizer of $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}$ in \mathfrak{g}_0 .

PROOF. (i) Let E be the element of $\text{Der}(\mathfrak{g})$ such that

$$E(x) = px \text{ for } x \in \mathfrak{g}_p.$$

Regarding $\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ as the subalgebra of $\text{Der}(\mathfrak{g})$, $(\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0) + CE)$ -module \mathfrak{g} is completely reducible by Lemma 2.1. By O. Mathieu ([7], page 402, Lemma 34), there is a Levi subalgebra \mathfrak{s} of \mathfrak{g} such that $(\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0) + CE)(\mathfrak{s}) \subset \mathfrak{s}$. Then \mathfrak{s} is graded, which we write $\mathfrak{s} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{s}_p$. Also, the radical \mathfrak{r} of \mathfrak{g} is graded, which we write $\mathfrak{r} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{r}_p$. Then, since $\mathfrak{c}(\mathfrak{g}_0) \supset \mathfrak{r}_0$, \mathfrak{s} is a \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule of \mathfrak{g} , so \mathfrak{s} is a completely reducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule by Lemma 2.1. Hence we can decompose \mathfrak{s}_p into a direct sum of irreducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodules of \mathfrak{s}_p :

$$\mathfrak{s}_p = \bigoplus_{k=1}^{s(p)} \mathfrak{s}_p^{(k)}.$$

Let W be an irreducible \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule of \mathfrak{r}_1 . Then, by transitivity, there is an integer k such that $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(k)}, W] \neq \{0\}$. Let E_M be the highest weight vector of W with the highest weight M . By Lemma 2.3, the subspace $CF_{\Lambda^*} \oplus C[F_{\Lambda^*}, E_M] \oplus CE_M$ is a simple three dimensional Lie subalgebra of \mathfrak{r} , which is a contradiction. Thus we have $\mathfrak{r}_1 = \{0\}$, so, by transitivity, $\mathfrak{r}_p = \{0\}(p \geq 1)$. Hence we have $\mathfrak{s}_p = \mathfrak{g}_p(p \geq 1)$. For each $i(1 \leq i \leq t)$, $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i)}$ is contragredient to $\mathfrak{s}_1^{(j)}$ as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module for some $j(1 \leq j \leq s(1))$. Also we remark that \mathfrak{s}_{-1} is contragredient to \mathfrak{s}_1 as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module. Indeed, let $(|)$ be the Killing form of \mathfrak{s} . Since the restriction of $(|)$ on $\mathfrak{s}_1 \times \mathfrak{s}_{-1}$ is non-degenerate, we have an isomorphism $\nu : \mathfrak{s}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{s}_{-1}^*$ defined by

$$\langle \nu(x), y \rangle = (x|y), \quad x \in \mathfrak{s}_1, \quad y \in \mathfrak{s}_{-1}.$$

Since $(|)$ is completely invariant (i. e., $(x|Dy) + (Dx|y) = 0$ for $x, y \in \mathfrak{s}$ and $D \in \text{Der}(\mathfrak{s})$), we can prove easily that ν is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{g}_0 -modules, so \mathfrak{s}_1 is contragredient to \mathfrak{s}_{-1} as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module. Thus $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i)}$ is isomorphic to $\mathfrak{s}_{-1}^{(k)}$ as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module for some $k(1 \leq k \leq s(-1))$. However, since $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i)}$ is not isomorphic to $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(j)}$ as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module for all j such that $i \neq j$ by Lemma 2.4, we have $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(i)} = \mathfrak{s}_{-1}^{(k)}$. In particular, we have $l(\mathfrak{s}_{-1}) \leq l(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1})$, where we denote by $l(N)$ the number of the irreducible components of \mathfrak{g}_0 -module N . On the other hand, by Lemma 2.4, we have $l(\mathfrak{s}_{-1}) = l(\mathfrak{s}_1) \geq l(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1})$. Thus we have $l(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1}) = l(\mathfrak{s}_{-1})$, so $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-1} = \mathfrak{s}_{-1}$. Since the subalgebra $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r})_-$ of $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r}$ is generated by $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}/\mathfrak{r}_{-1}$, the subalgebra \mathfrak{s}_- of \mathfrak{s} is generated by \mathfrak{s}_{-1} . Moreover, since an ideal in a semisimple \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra is graded, we can decompose \mathfrak{s} into a direct sum of two semisimple ideals \mathfrak{t} and \mathfrak{u} (i. e., $\mathfrak{s} = \mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathfrak{u}$, $\mathfrak{t} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{t}_p$ and $\mathfrak{u} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{u}_p$) such that \mathfrak{t} is a semisimple transitive \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra and $\mathfrak{u} =$

u_0 . Then the subalgebra $\bigoplus_{i \geq 1} t_i$ of t is generated by t_1 , and we have $t_0 = [t_{-1}, t_1] = [\tilde{g}_{-1}, g_1]$ (see N. Tanaka [5], page 28). Also, since $\mathfrak{s}_p = t_p (p \geq 1)$, the subalgebra $\bigoplus_{i \geq 1} g_i$ of g is generated by g_1 . Thus we have $\tilde{g} = t$, so \tilde{g} is semisimple.

(ii) We put $\mathfrak{d} = \bigoplus_{i \leq 0} \mathfrak{d}_i$. Then \mathfrak{d} is a solvable ideal in g , so $\mathfrak{d} \subset r$. In particular, we have $g'_{-1} \subset \mathfrak{d}_{-1} \subset r_{-1}$. Since $\tilde{g}_{-1} = \mathfrak{s}_{-1}$, we have $\dim g'_{-1} = \dim r_{-1}$, so $r_{-1} = g'_{-1}$. Moreover, since $(\text{ad } g_1)^{i-1} r_{-i} \subset r_{-1} (i \geq 2)$ and $[r_0, g_1] \subset r_1 = \{0\}$, we have $r_{-i} \subset \mathfrak{d}_{-i} (i \geq 0)$. Hence we have $\mathfrak{d} = r_{-i} (i \geq 0)$. Finally, from the proof of (i), we have $u_0 = g''$ and $t_0 = [\tilde{g}_{-1}, g_1]$, so $g_0 = r_0 \oplus [\tilde{g}_{-1}, g_1] \oplus g''$.

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As a corollary of Proposition 2.5, we have

COROLLARY 2.5. *Let $g = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} g_i$ be a finite dimensional transitive \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra over \mathbf{C} . Then following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) g is semisimple.
- (2) (i) The representation of g_0 on g_{-1} is completely reducible, and (ii) there is no non-trivial g_0 -invariant subspace of g_{-1} contained in the centralizer of g_1 in g .
- (3) (i) The representation of g_0 on g_{-1} is completely reducible, and (ii) $g'_{-1} = \{0\}$.

PROOF. Let W be a g_0 -invariant subspace of g_{-1} such that $[W, g_1] = \{0\}$. Then an ideal in g generated by W is a solvable ideal in g ; thus (1) \longrightarrow (2) (ii). It follows from I. L. Kantor ([3], page 44, Proposition 12) that (1) \longrightarrow (2) (i). If (3) holds, then $\tilde{g}_{-1} = g_{-1}$. Since g_- is generated by g_{-1} , we have $\tilde{g}_- = g_-$. Moreover, since \tilde{g} is semisimple by Proposition 2.5., we have $r_i = \{0\} (i \leq -1)$, so, by transitivity, $r_p = \{0\} (p \geq 0)$. Hence g is semisimple, which proves (3) \rightarrow (1). (2) \rightarrow (3) is clear.

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§ 3. Pseudo-product graded Lie algebras

3.1. Let $g = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} g_p$ be a transitive \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra over K , where K is \mathbf{R} or \mathbf{C} . Let $g^{(1)}$ and $g^{(2)}$ be subspaces of g_{-1} . Then the \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra $g = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} g_p$ is called a *pseudo-product graded Lie algebra*, if it satisfies the following conditions

- (3.1.1) $g_{-1} = g^{(1)} \oplus g^{(2)}$
- (3.1.2) $[g^{(1)}, g^{(1)}] = [g^{(2)}, g^{(2)}] = \{0\}$
- (3.1.3) $[g_0, g^{(1)}] \subset g^{(1)}, [g_0, g^{(2)}] \subset g^{(2)}$

Then we have the following

LEMMA 3.1. (see N. Tanaka [6], page 292) *Let $g = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} g_p$ be a*

pseudo-product graded Lie algebra over K . If \mathfrak{g}_- is non-degenerate (that is, for any $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$, $[x, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}] = \{0\}$ implies $x = 0$), then the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is finite dimensional.

3.2. Now we give our main theorem.

THEOREM 3.2. *Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be a pseudo-product graded Lie algebra over \mathbf{C} , and suppose that the subalgebra \mathfrak{g}_- of \mathfrak{g} is non-degenerate and the representations of \mathfrak{g}_0 on $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ and $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}$ are irreducible. Then we have :*

(i) *If the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_1 is reducible, then \mathfrak{g} is a simple Lie algebra.*

(ii) *If the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_1 is irreducible, then we have $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$.*

As a consequence of (i) and (ii), if $\mathfrak{g}_2 \neq \{0\}$, then \mathfrak{g} is a simple Lie algebra.

PROOF. By Lemma 3.1, we can apply all arguments in § 2.

(i) Using the notation of (2.1.1), we have $\mathfrak{g}'_{-1} = \{0\}$ by Lemma 2.4. Hence, by Corollary 2.5, \mathfrak{g} is semisimple. If \mathfrak{g} is not simple, then we have $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{a}^{(1)} \oplus \mathfrak{a}^{(2)}$, where $\mathfrak{a}^{(i)} (i=1, 2)$ is a non-trivial semisimple ideal in \mathfrak{g} . Since $\mathfrak{a}^{(i)}$ is graded, we can write $\mathfrak{a}^{(i)} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{a}_p^{(i)}$. Here we remark that $\mathfrak{a}_{-1}^{(i)} \neq \{0\}$ because of transitivity of \mathfrak{g} . Since $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ is not isomorphic to $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}$ as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module by Lemma 2.4, we have $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{a}_{-1}^{(1)}$, $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)} = \mathfrak{a}_{-1}^{(2)}$ or $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{a}_{-1}^{(2)}$, $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)} = \mathfrak{a}_{-1}^{(1)}$. Thus $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}] = \{0\}$, which is a contradiction to the fact that \mathfrak{g}_- is non-degenerate. Hence \mathfrak{g} is a simple Lie algebra.

(ii) Now we can assume that $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{g}_1] = \{0\}$. Then the subalgebra $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)} \oplus [\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}, \mathfrak{g}_1] \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ is a simple Lie algebra by Proposition 2.5, so $[\mathfrak{g}_1, \mathfrak{g}_1] = \{0\}$. Therefore it follows from Proposition 2.5 that $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$. Q. E. D

3.3. We now prove the real version of Theorem 3.2.

THEOREM 3.3. *Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$ be a pseudo-product graded Lie algebra over \mathbf{R} , and suppose that its subalgebra \mathfrak{g}_- of \mathfrak{g} is non-degenerate and the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ and $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}$ is irreducible. Then we have :*

(i) *If the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_1 is reducible, then \mathfrak{g} is a simple Lie algebra.*

(ii) *If the representation of \mathfrak{g}_0 on \mathfrak{g}_1 is irreducible, then we have $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$.*

As a consequence of (i) and (ii), if $\mathfrak{g}_2 \neq \{0\}$, then \mathfrak{g} is a simple Lie algebra over \mathbf{R} .

PROOF. First of all, we note that \mathfrak{g} is finite dimensional by Lemma 3.1. Let $\mathfrak{g}^{\mathbf{C}} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p^{\mathbf{C}}$ denote the complexification of $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_p$. Then $\mathfrak{g}^{\mathbf{C}}$ is a transitive \mathbf{Z} -graded Lie algebra over \mathbf{C} . Then, since $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)\mathbf{C}}$ is not isomorphic to $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)\mathbf{C}}$ as a $\mathfrak{g}_0^{\mathbf{C}}$ module by Lemma 2.4, $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ is not isomorphic to $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}$ as a

\mathfrak{g}_0 -module. Let \mathfrak{r} be the radical of \mathfrak{g} . Then \mathfrak{r} is a \mathbf{Z} -graded ideal in \mathfrak{g} , which we write $\mathfrak{r} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{r}_p$. Moreover its complexification \mathfrak{r}^C is the radical of \mathfrak{g}^C . Then \mathfrak{r}_{-1} is a \mathfrak{g}_0 -submodule of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} , so we have $\mathfrak{r}_{-1} = \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)}$ or $\mathfrak{r}_{-1} = \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)}$ or $\mathfrak{r}_{-1} = \{0\}$. Here we remark that $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^C / \mathfrak{r}_{-1}^C$ is contragredient to \mathfrak{g}_1^C as a \mathfrak{g}_0^C module by Proposition 2.5, so $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} / \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$ is contragredient to \mathfrak{g}_1 as a \mathfrak{g}_0 -module. If \mathfrak{g}_0 -module \mathfrak{g}_1 is reducible, then \mathfrak{g}_0 -module $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} / \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$ is reducible. Hence we have $\mathfrak{r}_{-1} = \{0\}$. By Corollary 2.5, \mathfrak{g}^C is semisimple, so \mathfrak{g} is semisimple. Then, by the same method of proof of theorem 3.2, we can prove the fact that \mathfrak{g} is simple. This proves (i). If \mathfrak{g}_0 -module \mathfrak{g}_1 is irreducible, then we have $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$ or $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)} = \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$. Now we suppose that $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(2)} = \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$. Then, by Proposition 2.5, the subalgebra generated by $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)C} \oplus [\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)C}, \mathfrak{g}_1^C] \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1^C$ is semisimple. However, since $[\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)C}, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)C}] = \{0\}$, we have $[\mathfrak{g}_1^C, \mathfrak{g}_1^C] = \{0\}$. Hence, by Proposition 2.5, we have $\mathfrak{g}_2^C = \{0\}$, so $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$. Similarly we can prove that $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$ when $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{r}_{-1}$. This proves (ii). Q. E. D

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