

# Simple classical Lie algebras in characteristic 2 and their gradations, II.

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## 1 Introduction

This paper is a continuation of [GG]. Here we prove Conjecture 5.1 [GG]. Recall some notations and definition of [GG].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $I_n = \{1, \dots, n\}$ . We call  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{P}(I_n) = \{\sigma \mid \sigma \subseteq I_n\}$  an **even set** if for all  $\sigma, \tau \in \mathfrak{a}$ , we have  $|\sigma| \equiv |\tau| \equiv 0$  and  $|\sigma \cap \tau| \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

We note that  $\mathcal{P}(I_n)$  is an elementary abelian group with the operation  $\sigma \Delta \tau = (\sigma \setminus \tau) \cup (\tau \setminus \sigma)$ . For  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(I_n)$ ,  $\langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle$  denotes the group generated by  $\mathfrak{a}$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A subset  $H$  of  $\mathcal{P}(I_n)$  is **connected** if, for every partition  $I_n = I \cup J$ , there is  $\sigma \in H$  such that  $\sigma \cap I \neq \emptyset$  and  $\sigma \cap J \neq \emptyset$ .

**Definition 1.3.** A subset  $\sigma \subseteq I_n$  is called  **$\mathfrak{a}$ -even** if  $|\mu \cap \tau| \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  for all  $\tau \in \mathfrak{a}$ . A subset  $B \subseteq \mathcal{P}(I_n)$  is called an  **$\mathfrak{a}$ -even set** if all its elements are  **$\mathfrak{a}$ -even**.

For an even set  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{P}(I_n)$ , in [GG] we defined a commutative algebra  $\tilde{S} = \tilde{S}(\mathfrak{a})$  with basis  $\{e_i, h_i, f_i, h^\sigma \mid i \in I_n, \sigma \in \langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle \setminus \{\emptyset\}\}$  and multiplication given

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by

$$\begin{aligned} e_i f_i &= h_i, \\ e_i h^\sigma &= e_i, \quad f_i h^\sigma = f_i, \quad \text{for } i \in \sigma, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and zero for all other cases. We denoted  $h_\mu = \sum_{i \in \mu} h_i$  and defined  $h_\emptyset = 0$ ,  $h^\emptyset = 0$ .

The algebra  $\tilde{S}(\mathfrak{a})$  contains a central ideal  $I$  generated by  $\{h^\sigma + h^\tau + h^{\sigma \Delta \tau} + h_{\sigma \cap \tau} \mid \sigma, \tau \in \langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle\}$ . We denote  $S(\mathfrak{a}) = S = \tilde{S}(\mathfrak{a})/I$ .

For every  $\mathfrak{a}$ -even set  $\sigma$ , we also defined an  $S$ -module  $\Lambda_\sigma$  whose basis is  $\{(\sigma, \mu) \mid \mu \subseteq \sigma\}$  and the  $S$ -action is given by

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma, \mu) e_i &= (\sigma, \mu \cup i), \quad i \in \sigma \setminus \mu; \\ (\sigma, \mu) f_i &= (\sigma, \mu \setminus i), \quad i \in \mu; \\ (\sigma, \mu) h_i &= (\sigma, \mu), \quad i \in \sigma; \\ (\sigma, \mu) h^\varphi &= \left( \frac{|\sigma \cap \varphi|}{2} + |\varphi \cap \mu| \right) (\sigma, \mu), \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \mathfrak{a}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

and for all other cases the action is zero.

Now let  $\Delta = \{0\} \cup \mathfrak{a}$ .

**Definition 1.4.** *An algebra  $A$  is called a  $\Delta$ -algebra if  $A = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta} \oplus A_\alpha$  and, for every  $\alpha \neq \beta \in \mathfrak{a}$ , we have  $A_\alpha A_\beta \subseteq A_{\alpha \Delta \beta}$ ,  $A_0^2 \subseteq A_0$ ,  $A_0 A_\alpha \subseteq A_\alpha$ ,  $A_\alpha A_\alpha \subseteq A_0 + A_\emptyset$  and  $A_0 A_\emptyset = 0$ .*

Define a commutative  $\Delta$ -graded algebra  $\Lambda$  as follows. As a  $k$ -space,  $\Lambda$  is

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_0 \bigoplus \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{a}} \oplus \Lambda_\sigma, \quad \text{where } \Lambda_0 = S(\mathfrak{a}). \quad (3)$$

Moreover,  $S = S(\mathfrak{a})$  is a subalgebra of  $\Lambda$  and, by (2), each  $\Lambda_\sigma$  is an  $S$ -module. For  $\sigma \neq \tau \in \mathfrak{a}$ , the multiplication is given by

$$(\sigma, \mu) (\tau, \varphi) = (\sigma \Delta \tau, (\mu \setminus \tau) \cup (\varphi \setminus \sigma)), \quad \text{if } \mu \cap \varphi = \emptyset, \mu \cup \varphi \supset \sigma \cap \tau. \quad (4)$$

$$(\sigma, \mu)(\sigma, \varphi) = \begin{cases} e_i, & \mu \cap \varphi = i, \mu \cup \varphi = \sigma, \\ f_i, & \mu \cap \varphi = \emptyset, \mu \cup \varphi = \sigma \setminus i, \\ h^\sigma + h_\varphi + (\emptyset, \emptyset), & \mu \cap \varphi = \emptyset, \mu \cup \varphi = \sigma, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

and all other products are zero.

Recall the definition of the product of two  $\Delta$ -algebras. Let  $A = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta} \oplus A_\alpha$  and  $B = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta} \oplus B_\alpha$  be two  $\Delta$ -algebras. Then  $A \square B = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta} \oplus A_\alpha \otimes B_\alpha$  is a  $\Delta$ -algebra with multiplication  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  given by

$$[a_\alpha \otimes b_\alpha, a_\beta \otimes b_\beta] = \sum_{\gamma \in \Delta} c_\gamma \otimes d_\gamma, \quad \text{if } a_\alpha a_\beta = \sum_{\gamma \in \Delta} c_\gamma, \quad b_\alpha b_\beta = \sum_{\gamma \in \Delta} d_\gamma.$$

**Proposition 1.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{a}$  be an even set,  $\Lambda = \Lambda(\mathbf{a})$  and  $\Delta = \{0\} \cup \mathbf{a}$ . Let  $M = M_0 \oplus \sum_{\sigma \in \mathbf{a}} \oplus M_\sigma$  be a commutative  $\Delta$ -algebra. Then the algebra  $L = \Lambda \square M$  is a Lie algebra if and only if  $M$  satisfies a list of  $\Delta$ -identities given in Proposition 3.2 [GG].*

We recall some of the  $\Delta$ -identities which will be used in this paper.

$$a_\sigma b_\tau \cdot c_\lambda + b_\tau c_\lambda \cdot a_\sigma + c_\lambda a_\sigma \cdot b_\tau = 0, |\sigma \cap \tau \cap \lambda| = 0, \sigma \neq \tau \neq \lambda \neq \sigma \neq \tau \Delta \lambda, \quad (6)$$

$$(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_\emptyset c_\tau = 0, (a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 c_\tau = a_\sigma c_\tau \cdot b_\sigma, \quad \sigma \neq \tau, |\sigma \cap \tau| = 2, \quad (7)$$

$$a_\sigma c_\tau \cdot b_\sigma = a_\sigma \cdot c_\tau b_\sigma + (a_\sigma b_\sigma)_\emptyset c_\tau, \quad |\sigma \cap \tau| = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$(a_\sigma b_\tau \cdot c_\lambda)_0 = (a_\sigma \cdot b_\tau c_\lambda)_0, \quad \lambda = \sigma \Delta \tau, \quad (9)$$

$$(ab)_0 c = (cb)_0 a, (ca)_\emptyset b = 0, \quad a, b, c \in M_\tau, |\tau| = 4, \quad (10)$$

$$(ab)_0 c + (bc)_0 a = (ac)_\emptyset b, \quad a, b, c \in M_\tau, |\tau| = 2, \quad (11)$$

$$(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 c_\tau = 0, \quad |\sigma| > 4, \quad (12)$$

$$(a_\emptyset b_\sigma \cdot c_\sigma)_\emptyset + (b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset \cdot a_\emptyset + (c_\sigma a_\emptyset \cdot b_\sigma)_\emptyset = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 \cdot c_0 = (a_\sigma c_0 \cdot b_\sigma)_0, \quad \sigma \neq \emptyset \quad (14)$$

We observe that if  $M$  is simple, then  $L = \Lambda \square M$  is not necessarily a simple algebra, but  $L/Z(L)$  is simple, where  $Z(L)$  is the center of  $L$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be an even connected set and  $\Delta = \{0\} \cup \mathfrak{a}$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the variety of  $\Delta$ -algebras satisfying the list of identities of Proposition 3.2 [GG]. Let  $M = M_0 \oplus \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{a}} \oplus M_\sigma \oplus M_\emptyset$  be a commutative  $\Delta$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{M}$ . In [GG] (see Theorem 3.1 [GG]) we classified the simple  $\Delta$ -algebras of the variety  $\mathcal{M}$ , for which  $M_\emptyset = 0$ . Now we consider the case when  $M_\emptyset$  is abelian.

In the final section of [GG], we remarked that Theorem 3.1 [GG] is not true if we omit the condition  $\emptyset \notin \mathfrak{a}$  and we formulated the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 1.1.** *Let  $M$  be an arbitrary simple finite dimensional  $\Delta$ -algebra which satisfies all the list of identities of Proposition 3.2 [GG] and  $M_\emptyset^2 = 0$ . Then the corresponding Lie algebra  $L = M \square \Lambda$  is a simple Lie algebra of type  $B_{2\ell}$ ,  $C_\ell$ ,  $D_{2\ell+1}$ ,  $E_7$  or  $E_8$ .*

## 2 Proof of Conjecture 1.1

In this section we prove Conjecture 1.1. For each  $\emptyset \neq \sigma \in \mathfrak{a}$ , define  $M_\sigma^0 = \{x \in M_\sigma \mid xM_\sigma \subseteq M_\emptyset\} = \{x \in M_\sigma \mid (xM_\sigma)_0 = 0\}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.**  $I = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{a} \setminus \emptyset} \oplus M_\sigma^0 \bigoplus \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{a} \setminus \emptyset} (M_\sigma M_\sigma^0)$  is an ideal in  $M$ .

*Proof.* (a) First we prove that  $M_\tau M_\sigma^0 \subseteq M_{\sigma \Delta \tau}^0$ , for all  $\sigma \neq \tau \in \mathfrak{a}$ . Indeed, by (9), for  $a_\tau \in M_\tau$ ,  $b_\sigma \in M_\sigma^0$ ,  $c_\lambda \in M_{\sigma \Delta \tau}^0$ , we have  $(a_\tau b_\sigma \cdot c_\lambda)_0 = (b_\sigma \cdot a_\tau c_\lambda)_0 = 0$ .

(b) Now we prove that  $(M_\sigma M_\sigma^0)M_\tau \subseteq M_\tau^0$ , for all  $\tau \in \mathfrak{a}$ . We need to prove that  $((b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\tau)_0 = 0$  for all  $a_\tau \in M_\tau$ ,  $b_\sigma \in M_\sigma^0$ ,  $c_\sigma \in M_\sigma$ ,  $d_\tau \in M_\tau$ . We have two cases:

(b.1)  $\sigma \neq \tau$ . If  $|\sigma \cap \tau| = 2$ , we have by (7) that  $((b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\tau)_0 = 0$ . If  $|\sigma \cap \tau| = 0$  then, by (8) and (9),  $((b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\tau)_0 = ((b_\sigma a_\tau \cdot c_\sigma)_0)_0 + ((c_\sigma a_\tau \cdot b_\sigma)_0)_0 = (b_\sigma a_\tau \cdot c_\sigma)_0 + (b_\sigma \cdot (c_\sigma a_\tau \cdot d_\tau))_0 = (b_\sigma \cdot a_\tau (c_\sigma d_\tau))_0 = 0$ .

(b.2)  $\sigma = \tau$ . If  $|\sigma| = 2$ , then by (11) we have  $((b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\sigma d_\sigma)_0 = ((b_\sigma a_\sigma)_0 c_\sigma d_\sigma)_0 + ((c_\sigma a_\sigma)_0 b_\sigma d_\sigma)_0 \subseteq k(b_\sigma d_\sigma)_0 = 0$ , as  $b_\sigma \in M_\sigma^0$ . If  $|\sigma| = 4$ , then by (10)  $((b_\sigma c_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\sigma d_\sigma)_0 = 0$ . This proves the lemma.  $\square$

By Lemma 2.1, if  $M$  is simple then  $I = 0$  and, for each  $\sigma \neq \emptyset$ ,  $M_\sigma^0 = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *For a simple algebra  $M$  as defined above and  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{a}$ , we have*

0.  $M_0 = k s$ , for  $s^2 = s$ .

1. If  $|\sigma| = 4$  then  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma$  where  $a_\sigma^2 = s$ .

2. If  $|\sigma| = 2$  then

2.1)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = s$ , or

2.2)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma \oplus k b_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = (b_\sigma^2)_0 = s$  and  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 = 0$  or

2.3)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma \oplus k b_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 = s$  and  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = (b_\sigma^2)_0 = 0$ .

*Proof.* The proof of item 0. is the same as in Lemma 3.1 of [GG].

Let  $|\sigma| = 4$  and  $a_\sigma \in M_\sigma$ . By Lemma 2.1, there exists  $b_\sigma \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 = s$ , then we have on the one hand  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 a_\sigma = a_\sigma$  and on the other hand, by (10),  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 a_\sigma = (a_\sigma a_\sigma)_0 b_\sigma = \alpha b_\sigma$ , if  $(a_\sigma a_\sigma)_0 = \alpha s$ . Hence  $a_\sigma = \alpha b_\sigma$ . If  $c \in M_\sigma$  and  $(bc)_0 = \gamma s$ , then by (10),  $c = (ab)_0 c = (bc)_0 a = \gamma a$ . Hence  $\dim M_\sigma = 1$  and so item 1. is proved.

Now let  $|\sigma| = 2$ .

(a) There exists  $a \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(a^2)_0 = s$ . If  $\dim M_\sigma = 1$ , then we have case 2.1. Suppose that there exists  $b \in M_\sigma \setminus k a$ . If  $(ab)_0 = \alpha s \neq 0$  then we can replace  $b$  by  $b + \alpha a = \tilde{b}$  and we get  $(\tilde{b} a)_0 = 0$ . Hence we can suppose that  $b$  satisfies  $(ab)_0 = 0$ .

(a.1) Suppose that for all  $a \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(ab)_0 = 0$  we have  $(b^2)_0 = 0$ . By Lemma 2.1, there exists  $c \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(cb)_0 = s$ . We can suppose that  $(ca)_0 = 0$  (by replacing  $c$  by  $c + \alpha a = \tilde{c}$  as before). Now, using identity (11), we get  $(ab)_\emptyset c = (cb)_0 a + (ac)_0 b = a$ ,  $(bc)_\emptyset a = (ba)_0 c + (ca)_0 b = 0$  and

$(bc)_\emptyset c = (bc)_0 c + (cc)_0 b = c$ . Hence,  $[(ab)_\emptyset, (bc)_\emptyset] c = a \neq 0$ , contradicting the fact that  $M_\emptyset$  is abelian.

(a.2) There exists  $b \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(b^2)_0 = s$  and  $(ab)_0 = 0$ . If  $\dim M_\sigma = 2$  then item 2.2 is proved.

Suppose that  $\dim M_\sigma > 2$ . By Lemma 2.1, there exists  $c \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(ac)_0 = (bc)_0 = 0$ .

(a.3) If  $(c^2)_0 = s$  then by (11),  $(ac)_\emptyset c = (cc)_0 a = a$ ,  $(ab)_\emptyset c = 0$  and  $(ab)_\emptyset a = b$ . Hence  $[(ac)_\emptyset, (ab)_\emptyset] c = b \neq 0$ , contradicting the fact that  $M_\emptyset$  is abelian.

(a.4) Suppose that for all  $c \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(ac)_0 = (bc)_0 = 0$  we have  $(c^2)_0 = 0$ . By Lemma 2.1, there exists  $d \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(d^2)_0 = 0$  and  $(cd)_0 = s$ . Then, by identity (11),  $(ab)_\emptyset a = b$ ,  $(ab)_\emptyset d = 0$  and  $(ac)_\emptyset d = a$ . Hence  $[(ab)_\emptyset, (ac)_\emptyset] d \neq 0$  and again the fact that  $M_\emptyset$  is abelian is contradicted.

(b) For all  $a \in M_\sigma$ ,  $(a^2)_0 = 0$ . By Lemma 2.1, there exist  $a, b \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(a^2)_0 = (b^2)_0 = 0$  and  $(ab)_0 = s$ . If  $\dim M_\sigma = 2$ , then we have case 2.3.

If  $\dim M_\sigma > 2$ , then by Lemma 2.1 there exist  $c, d \in M_\sigma$  such that  $(ac)_0 = (ad)_0 = (bc)_0 = (bd)_0 = (c^2)_0 = (d^2)_0 = 0$  and  $(cd)_0 = s$ . In this case, by (11),  $(ab)_\emptyset a = a$  and  $(ac)_\emptyset d = a$ . Hence  $[(ab)_\emptyset, (ac)_\emptyset] d = a \neq 0$ , contradicting the fact that  $M_\emptyset$  is abelian. This proves the lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $\mathbf{a} \subset \mathcal{P}(I_n)$  be an even set and  $\Delta = \{0\} \cup \mathbf{a}$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the variety of  $\Delta$ -algebras satisfying the list of identities of Proposition 3.2 [GG]. If  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  is a simple  $\Delta$ -algebra (containing no graded ideals), then  $\mathfrak{M} = \{\sigma \in \mathbf{a} \mid M_\sigma \neq 0\}$  is one of the following sets:*

$$(i) \{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\} = \mathcal{C}_{2\ell},$$

$$(ii) \{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j), (2i-1, 2i) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\} = \mathcal{B}_{2\ell},$$

$$(iii) \{(1234), (1256), (1357), (3456), (2457), (2367), (1467)\} = \mathcal{E}_7,$$

$$(iv) \mathcal{E}_7 \cup \{\bar{\sigma} \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_7, \bar{\sigma} = I_8 \setminus \sigma\} = \mathcal{E}_8.$$

*Proof.* The proof of this lemma in [GG] is based on the following facts:

- (1) for all  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{M}$ , we have  $|\sigma| = 2$  or  $4$ .
- (2) If  $\sigma \neq \tau \in \mathfrak{M}$  and  $\sigma \cap \tau \neq \emptyset$  then  $\sigma \Delta \tau \in \mathfrak{M}$ .

The item (2) may be proved as in [GG]. Let us prove item (1). Suppose that  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{M}$  and  $|\sigma| > 4$ . Thus, by (12),  $(M_\sigma M_\sigma)_0 M_\sigma = 0$ , hence  $(M_\sigma M_\sigma)_0 = 0$  and  $M_\sigma = M_\sigma^0$ . But by Lemma 2.1,  $M_\sigma^0 = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  be a simple  $\Delta$ -algebra such that  $M_\emptyset \neq 0$  and  $M_\emptyset^2 = 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{M} = \mathcal{B}_{2\ell}$  and  $M$  has a basis*

$$\{s, d_{ij}, a_i, b_i, \lambda \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\}$$

*with one of the following set of multiplication rules:*

$$\begin{aligned} d_{ij} d_{jk} &= d_{ik}, & d_{ij} a_j &= b_i, \\ d_{ij} b_j &= a_i, & a_i b_j &= d_{ij}, \\ (a_i b_i)_\emptyset &= \lambda, & \lambda a_i &= b_i, \\ \lambda b_i &= a_i, & (d_{ij}^2)_0 &= s, \\ (a_i^2)_0 &= (b_i^2)_0 = s \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

*or*

$$\begin{aligned} d_{ij} d_{jk} &= d_{ik}, & d_{ij} a_i &= a_j, \\ d_{ij} b_j &= b_i, & a_i b_j &= d_{ij}, \\ a_i b_i &= s + \lambda, & (d_{ij}^2)_0 &= s, \\ \lambda a_i &= a_i, & \lambda b_i &= b_i, \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

*where  $M_{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j)} = k d_{ij}$ ,  $M_{(2i-1, 2i)} = k a_i \oplus k b_i$  and  $M_\emptyset = k \lambda$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\mathfrak{M} = \mathcal{B}_{2\ell} = \{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j), (2i-1, 2i) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\}$ , then by Lemma 2.2 for  $\sigma = (2i-1, 2i) \in \mathfrak{M}$  we have three cases

- (a)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = s$ , or

(b)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma \oplus k b_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = (b_\sigma^2)_0 = s$  and  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 = 0$  or

(c)  $M_\sigma = k a_\sigma \oplus k b_\sigma$ , where  $(a_\sigma b_\sigma)_0 = s$  and  $(a_\sigma^2)_0 = (b_\sigma^2)_0 = 0$ .

Let us consider each case.

(a) For  $|\sigma| = 2$ , by identity (11), we have  $(a_\sigma a_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\sigma = 2(a_\sigma^2)_0 a_\sigma = 0$  and by (7), for  $|\sigma| = |\tau| = 2$  with  $\sigma \cap \tau = \emptyset$   $(a_\sigma a_\sigma)_\emptyset a_\tau = 2a_\sigma a_\tau \cdot a_\sigma = 0$ . If  $|\sigma| = 2$  and  $|\sigma \cap \tau| = 2$  with  $\sigma \neq \tau$ , then by (7)  $(a_\sigma a_\sigma)_\emptyset c_\tau = 0$ . Therefore,  $(a_\sigma a_\sigma)_\emptyset \in Z(M) = 0$ . Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{M}$  such that  $M_\mu = kd$  and  $\sigma \subseteq \mu$ ,  $\tau = \mu \setminus \sigma$ . Denote  $b_\tau = d a_\sigma$ . If  $c \in M_\tau$  then, by (7),  $dc \cdot d = c(dd)_0 = c$ . But  $dc \in M_\sigma = k a_\sigma$ . Thus  $c = dc \cdot d = \alpha a_\sigma d = \alpha b_\tau$  and  $M_\tau = k b_\tau$ . In this case,  $M$  is the algebra obtained in [GG].

(b) Let  $d = d_{12} \in M_{(1234)}$  and denote

$$b_2 = d b_1, \quad a_2 = d a_1, \quad a_1 a_2 = \alpha d, \quad b_2 b_1 = \beta d$$

By (7),  $db_2 = d \cdot d b_1 = (dd)_0 b_1 = b_1$  and  $da_2 = d \cdot d a_1 = (dd)_0 a_1 = a_1$ .

Now, by (9), we have  $(b_2 b_2)_0 = (d b_1 \cdot b_2)_0 = (d \cdot b_1 b_2)_0 = (d b_2 \cdot b_1)_0 = s$ . Hence,  $\beta = 1$ . Moreover,  $(a_2 a_2)_0 = (d a_1 \cdot a_2)_0 = (d a_2 \cdot a_1)_0 = (d \cdot a_1 a_2)_0 = s$ . Hence,  $\alpha = 1$ .

Again by (9),  $(b_2 a_2)_0 = (d b_1 \cdot a_2)_0 = (d \cdot b_1 a_2)_0 = (d a_2 \cdot b_1)_0 = 0$ . Hence,  $b_1 a_2 = 0$ . Analogously,  $a_1 b_2 = 0$ .

Now denote  $\tau = (a_1 a_1)_\emptyset$ ,  $\xi = (b_1 b_1)_\emptyset$ ,  $\lambda = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset$ . For  $c \in M_{(12)}$ , by identity (11), we have  $(a_1 a_1)_\emptyset c = 2(a_1 c)_0 a_1 = 0$ .

By (8), for  $c \in M_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ ,  $i \neq 1$ , we have  $(a_1 a_1)_\emptyset c = 2a_1 c \cdot a_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $(a_1 a_1)_\emptyset \in Z(M) = 0$  and analogously  $(a_i a_i)_\emptyset = (b_i b_i)_\emptyset = 0$ .

Moreover, by (11),  $\lambda a_1 = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset a_1 = (a_1 a_1)_0 b_1 = b_1$  and analogously  $\lambda b_1 = a_1$ . By (7),  $\lambda a_2 = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset a_2 = b_1 a_2 \cdot a_1 = d a_1 = b_2$  and in the same way  $\lambda b_2 = a_2$ .

Now we denote  $b_i = d_{i1} b_1$  and  $a_i = d_{i1} a_1$ . As above, we can prove that  $b_i b_j = a_i a_j = d_{ij}$ ,  $a_i b_j = 0$  and  $(a_i a_i)_\emptyset = (b_i b_i)_\emptyset = 0$  and  $(a_i b_i)_\emptyset = \lambda$ . In



this case, we have the multiplication rules given by (15).

(c) Let  $d = d_{12} \in M_{(1234)}$  be such that  $d^2 = s$  and denote

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= d a_1, & b_2 &= d b_1, & a_1 b_2 &= \alpha d, \\ a_1 a_2 &= \gamma d, & a_2 b_1 &= \beta d, & b_1 b_2 &= \tau d, \end{aligned}$$

As in case (b), by (7), we have  $d a_2 = d \cdot d a_1 = (d d)_0 a_1 = a_1$  and  $d b_2 = d \cdot d b_1 = (d d)_0 b_1 = b_1$ .

Now, by (9), we have  $(a_2 a_2)_0 = (d a_1 \cdot a_2)_0 = (d a_2 \cdot a_1)_0 = (a_1 a_1)_0 = 0$ ,  $(b_2 b_2)_0 = 0$ . Again by (9),  $(a_2 b_2)_0 = (d a_1 \cdot b_2)_0 = (d b_2 \cdot a_1)_0 = (b_1 a_1)_0 = s$ .

Now for  $c \in M_{(12)}$ , by identity (11), we have  $(a_1 a_1)_\emptyset c = 2(a_1 c)_0 a_1 = 0$  and by (8), for  $c \in M_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ ,  $i \neq 1$ , we have  $(a_1 a_1)_\emptyset c = 2a_1 c \cdot a_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $(a_i a_i)_\emptyset = (b_i b_i)_\emptyset \in Z(M) = 0$ .

By (11) we have  $(a_1 b_1)_\emptyset a_1 = (a_1 b_1)_0 a_1 = a_1$  and, by (7),  $(a_1 b_1)_\emptyset a_2 = a_2 b_1 \cdot a_1 = d a_1 = a_2$ .

From this, analogously to the previous case, for  $\lambda = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset$  we get  $\lambda a_i = a_i$  and  $\lambda b_i = b_i$ .

Now for  $d_{ij} \in M_{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j)}$ , it is clear, by (7), (8) and the fact that  $|\sigma| \leq 4$ , that  $\lambda d_{ij} = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset d_{ij} = 0$  □

We will denote by  $D_{2\ell+1}$  the  $\Delta$ -algebra  $M$  with multiplication rules given by (15) and by  $C_{2\ell+1}$  the one with multiplication rules given by (16).

### 3 Irreducible Representations of $\Delta$ -algebras

In this section we study the action of the  $\Delta$ -algebras  $M$  of Theorem 2.1.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a  $\Delta$ -algebra as in Theorem 2.1 and  $V$  be an irreducible  $M$ -module. Then*

1.  $M = D_{2\ell+1}$  and

1.1.  $V = \langle v_1, \dots, v_\ell, \xi, \mu \rangle$ , where  $v_i \in V_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ ,  $\xi, \mu \in V_\emptyset$  and

$$\begin{aligned} v_i d_{ij} &= v_j, & (v_i a_i)_\emptyset &= \xi, & (v_i b_i)_\emptyset &= \mu, \\ \xi a_i &= v_i, & \mu b_i &= v_i, & \lambda \mu &= \xi, & \lambda \xi &= \mu \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

and all the other products are zero.

1.2.  $V$  is the adjoint module.

2.  $M = C_{2\ell+1}$

2.1.  $V = \langle v_1, \dots, v_\ell, \tau, \mu \rangle$ , where  $v_i \in V_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ ,  $\tau, \mu \in V_\emptyset$  and

$$\begin{aligned} v_i d_{ij} &= v_j, & (v_i a_i)_\emptyset &= \tau, & (v_i b_i)_\emptyset &= \mu, \\ \tau b_i &= \mu a_i = v_i, & \lambda \tau &= \tau, & \lambda \mu &= \mu \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

and all the other products are zero.

2.2.  $V$  is the adjoint module.

*Proof.* 1. Let  $V_0 \neq 0$  and  $v_0 \in V_0$ . Define

$$v_{ij} = v_0 d_{ij}, \quad v_i = v_0 a_i, \quad w_i = v_0 b_i, \quad (v_i b_i)_\emptyset = \mu_i \quad (w_i a_i)_\emptyset = \xi_i. \quad (19)$$

By (14) we have  $(v_i a_i)_0 = (v_0 a_i \cdot a_i)_0 = v_0 (a_i a_i)_0 = v_0$ . Thus, by (8) and (11), we have that  $\mu = \mu_1 = \dots = \mu_\ell = \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_\ell$  and  $\mu_i a_i = (v_i b_i)_\emptyset a_i = (v_i a_i)_0 b_i + (a_i b_i)_0 v_i = v_0 b_i = w_i$  and analogously  $\mu b_i = v_i$ .

Hence  $V$  has a basis  $\{v_0, v_{ij}, v_i, w_i, \mu \mid i, j \leq \ell\}$  and  $V$  is the adjoint  $M$ -module.

Now suppose that  $V_0 = 0$  and take  $V_\mu, \mu \neq 0$ . As  $|\mu \cap (2i-1, 2i)| = 0$  or  $2$ , then  $(2i-1, 2i) \subseteq \mu$  or  $\mu \cap (2i-1, 2i) = \emptyset$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ . Suppose  $(1, 2) \subseteq \mu$ . If  $(2i-1, 2i) \subseteq \mu$ ,  $i > 2$ , then  $\sigma_{1i} = (1, 2, 2i-1, 2i) \subseteq \mu$  and, by (12),  $V_\mu = s V_\mu = (d_{1i} d_{1i})_0 V_\mu = 0$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $\mu = (12)$ . Let  $0 \neq v_1 \in V_{(12)}$  and denote

$$v_i = v_1 d_{1i}, \quad (v_i b_i)_\emptyset = \tau_i \quad (v_i a_i)_\emptyset = \mu_i. \quad (20)$$

Now by (6), we have  $v_i d_{ij} = v_1 d_{1i} \cdot d_{ij} = v_1 d_{ij} \cdot d_{1i} + v_1 \cdot d_{1i} d_{ij} = v_1 d_{1j} = v_j$ .

By (11),  $\mu_i a_i = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset a_i = (v_i a_i)_0 a_i + (a_i a_i)_0 v_i = v_i$  and  $\mu_i b_i = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset b_i = (v_i b_i)_0 a_i + (a_i b_i)_0 v_i = 0$ . Analogously,  $\tau_i a_i = 0$  and  $\tau_i b_i = w_i$ .

Moreover, by (8),  $\mu_i a_j = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset a_j = v_i a_j \cdot a_i + v_i \cdot a_i a_j = v_i d_{ij} = v_j$ .

Analogously, we prove that  $\mu_i b_j = 0$ ,  $\tau_i b_j = w_i$ ,  $\tau_i a_j = 0$ . Hence  $\mu = \mu_1 = \dots = \mu_\ell$  and  $\tau = \tau_1 = \dots = \tau_\ell$ . Furthermore, by (13),  $\lambda\mu = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset \mu = (a_1 \mu \cdot b_1)_\emptyset + (a_1 \cdot \mu b_1)_\emptyset = (v_1 b_1)_\emptyset = \tau$  and, analogously,  $\lambda\tau = \mu$ . Hence  $V = \langle v_1, \dots, v_\ell, \tau, \mu \rangle$ , is the standard  $M$ -module.

2. Suppose  $V_0 \neq 0$ . As in case 1, we can prove that  $V$  is the adjoint  $M$ -module. Thus, let  $V_0 = 0$ . Again as in case 1 we can prove that there exists  $\mu = (12)$  such that  $V_\mu \neq 0$ . Denote, as in the previous case,

$$v_i = v_1 d_{1i}, \quad (v_i a_i)_\emptyset = \mu_i \quad (v_i b_i)_\emptyset = \tau_i \quad v_i d_{ij} = v_j. \quad (21)$$

By (11),  $\mu_i a_i = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset a_i = (v_i a_i)_0 a_i + (a_i a_i)_0 v_i = 0$  and  $\mu_i b_i = v_i$ ,  $\tau_i a_i = v_i$ ,  $\tau_i b_i = 0$ .

By (8),  $\mu_i a_j = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset a_j = v_i a_j \cdot a_i + v_i \cdot a_i a_j = 0$ ,  $\mu_i b_j = (v_i a_i)_\emptyset b_j = v_i b_j \cdot a_i + v_i \cdot a_i b_j = v_i d_{ij} = v_j$ . Analogously,  $\tau_i a_j = v_i$ ,  $\tau_i b_j = 0$ . Hence  $\mu = \mu_1 = \dots = \mu_\ell$  and  $\tau = \tau_1 = \dots = \tau_\ell$ . Furthermore, by (13),  $\lambda\mu = (a_1 b_1)_\emptyset \mu = (a_1 \mu \cdot b_1)_\emptyset + (a_1 \cdot \mu b_1)_\emptyset = (a_1 v_1)_\emptyset = \mu$  and, analogously,  $\lambda\tau = \tau$ .  $\square$

## 4 Lie algebras from $\Delta$ -algebras

First recall some well known facts about quadratic forms over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 2 and its corresponding Lie algebras.

Let  $V$  be a  $n$ -dimensional  $k$ -space and  $f : V \times V \longrightarrow k$  be a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form. This means that  $f(x, y) = f(y, x)$ , for all  $x, y \in V$  and  $f(x, V) = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ . A non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form  $f$  is called *symplectic* if  $f(x, x) = 0$  and *orthogonal* otherwise. A vector space  $V$

has a unique orthogonal form  $f$  and in some basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  the form can be written as

$$f(v, w) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

where  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i v_i$  and  $w = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i v_i$ .

If  $\dim V$  is odd, then the vector space  $V$  does not have a symplectic form and if  $\dim V = 2\ell$  then it has a unique symplectic form. In this last case, the form can be written, in an appropriate basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_\ell, w_1, \dots, w_\ell\}$ , as follows

$$f(v, w) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (x_i t_i + y_i z_i)$$

where  $v = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (x_i v_i + y_i w_i)$  and  $w = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (z_i v_i + t_i w_i)$ .

Let  $End(V)$  be the associative algebra of all linear transformations of  $V$ . Consider the following sets

$$S(f) = \{a \in End(V) \mid f(va, w) = f(v, wa), \forall v, w \in V\},$$

$$O(f) = \{a \in End(V) \mid f(va, v) = 0, \forall v \in V\}.$$

It is clear that  $O(f) \subseteq S(f)$ . For  $f$  orthogonal, we denote  $D_\ell = O(f)$  when  $\dim V = 2\ell$  and  $B_\ell = O(f)$  when  $\dim V = 2\ell + 1$ . For  $f$  symplectic,  $C_\ell = O(f)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *In the notation above we have*

1.  $[S(f), S(f)] = O(f)$ .
2.  $Z(S(f)) = 0$  if  $\dim V = 2\ell + 1$  and  $Z(O(f)) = 1$  if  $\dim V = 2\ell$ .
3.  $O(f)/Z(O(f))$  is simple if  $\dim V > 2$  and  $\dim V \neq 4$ .
4.  $C_\ell$  is a 2-algebra.
5.  $B_\ell$  and  $D_\ell$  are not 2-algebras and  $S(f)$  is the 2-envelope of  $B_\ell$  (resp.,  $D_\ell$ ) in  $End(V)$ .
6.  $\dim C_\ell = 2\ell^2 - \ell$ ,  $\dim B_\ell = 2\ell^2 + \ell$  and  $\dim D_\ell = 2\ell^2 - \ell$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $M$  be a simple  $\Delta$ -algebra in a  $\Delta$ -variety  $\mathcal{M}$  as described above and  $L = M \square \Lambda$  be the corresponding Lie algebra. Then*

1.  $L = C_{2\ell}$  if  $M$  has a basis  $\{s, a_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\}$ , where  $a_{ij} \in M_{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j)}$ .
2.  $L = B_{2\ell}$  if  $M$  has a basis  $\{s, a_{ij}, a_i \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\}$ , where  $a_{ij} \in M_{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j)}$ ,  $a_i \in M_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ .
3.  $L = D_{2\ell+1}$  or  $C_{2\ell+1}$  if  $M$  has a basis  $\{s, a_{ij}, a_i, b_i, \lambda \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell\}$ , where  $a_{ij} \in M_{(2i-1, 2i, 2j-1, 2j)}$  and the multiplication rules are given by (15) or (16).
4.  $L$  is a Lie algebra of type  $E_7$  or  $E_8$ , if  $\mathfrak{M} = \{\sigma \mid M_\sigma \neq 0\} = \mathcal{E}_7$  or  $\mathcal{E}_8$ .

*Proof.* 1. By Theorem [GG], a  $\Delta$ -algebra  $M$  has a module  $V$  with a basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_\ell\}$ ,  $v_i \in V_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ . This  $M$ -module admits an  $M$ -invariant bilinear form given by  $(v_i, v_j) = \delta_{ij}$ . Note that if a  $M$ -module  $V = V_0 \oplus \sum \oplus V_\sigma$  admits an  $M$ -invariant symmetric bilinear form  $f$ , then the corresponding  $L$ -module  $W = V \square \Lambda$  admits a  $L$ -invariant symmetric bilinear form as follows:

$$\tilde{f}(v \otimes x, w \otimes y) = f(v, w)(x, y), \quad v, w \in V, x, y \in \Lambda$$

Moreover,  $\tilde{f}$  is symplectic (orthogonal) if and only if the restriction of  $f$  to  $V_0 \oplus V_\emptyset$  is symplectic (orthogonal). In our case,  $V_0 \oplus V_\emptyset = 0$  hence this form is non-degenerate and symplectic. As  $\dim W = 4\ell$  and  $\dim L = 8\ell^2 - 2\ell$ , we have that  $L = C_{2\ell}$ .

2. and 3. In all these cases  $M$  has a module  $V$  with a basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_\ell, \mu, \tau\}$  described in Theorem 3.1, with  $v_i \in V_{(2i-1, 2i)}$ . The  $M$ -module  $V$  admits an  $M$ -invariant bilinear form given by  $(v_i, v_j) = \delta_{ij}$  and  $(\lambda, \mu) = 0$ ,  $(\lambda, \lambda) = (\mu, \mu) = 1$ , if  $M$  has multiplication rules defined by (15) or  $(v_i, v_j) = \delta_{ij}$  and  $(\lambda, \mu) = 1$ ,  $(\lambda, \lambda) = (\mu, \mu) = 0$ , if  $M$  has multiplication rules defined by (16).

In the first case, the corresponding  $L$ -invariant bilinear form on the  $L$ -module  $W = V \square \Lambda$  is orthogonal and, in the second case, it is symplectic. As  $\dim L = 8\ell^2 + 6\ell + 1$ , then  $L = D_{2\ell+1}$  in the first and  $L = C_{2\ell+1}$ , in the second case.

4. We prove this statement in the case  $\mathcal{E}_8$ . The case  $\mathcal{E}_7$  is a corollary of this.

By definition, a Lie algebra  $L$  over a field  $k$  of characteristic 2 is a Lie algebra of type  $E_8$  if there exists a  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}$  of the Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  over the field  $\mathbf{C}$  of all complex numbers such that  $L = \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} k$ .

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the Lie algebra of type  $E_8$  over the complex field  $\mathbf{C}$  constructed in [?] with a basis

$$\{e_1, f_1, \dots, e_8, f_8, h_1, \dots, h_8, (\sigma, \mu), \mu \subseteq \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_8\}$$

and multiplication rules stated by Theorem 1 [?].

Let  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}$  be a  $\mathbf{Z}$ -module with generators

$$\{e_i, f_i, h_i, i = 1, \dots, 8, (\sigma, \mu), h^\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(\sum_{i \in \sigma} h_i), \mu \subseteq \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_8\}.$$

Note that  $[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}, \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}] \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ , since for  $\varphi \cap \psi = \emptyset, \varphi \cup \psi = \sigma$  we have, by Theorem 1 [?], that

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma, \varphi)(\sigma, \psi) &= (-1)^{|\psi|+1}(\sum_{i \in \psi} h_i - \sum_{j \in \varphi} h_j)/2 = (-1)^{|\psi|+1}(h^\sigma - \sum_{j \in \varphi} h_j), \\ (\sigma, \mu)h^\tau &= \frac{1}{2}(|\mu \cap \tau| - |\bar{\mu} \cap \tau|)(\sigma, \mu), \text{ where } \bar{\mu} = \sigma \setminus \mu. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

But  $(|\mu \cap \tau| - |\bar{\mu} \cap \tau|) = (|\sigma \cap \tau| - 2|\bar{\mu} \cap \tau|) \equiv |\sigma \cap \tau| \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Hence  $(\sigma, \mu)h^\tau \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ .

Now we prove that  $L \cong \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} k$ . Define  $\xi : L \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} k$  given by  $\xi(e_i) = e_i, \xi(f_i) = f_i, \xi(\sigma, \mu) = (\sigma, \mu), \xi(h_i) = h_i, \xi(h^\sigma) = h^\sigma$ . (Note that although the notation for the elements is the same, they are in two different algebras.)

To prove that  $\xi$  is an algebra isomorphism, it is enough to prove that

$$\xi((\sigma, \mu)h^\varphi) = [\xi(\sigma, \mu), \xi(h^\varphi)] \quad (*).$$

By (2),

$$\xi((\sigma, \mu)h^\varphi) = \left( \frac{|\sigma \cap \varphi|}{2} + |\varphi \cap \mu| \right) \xi((\sigma, \mu))$$

and by (22)

$$\xi((\sigma, \mu))\xi(h^\varphi) = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu \cap \varphi| - |\bar{\mu} \cap \varphi|)\xi((\sigma, \mu)).$$

Now since  $\frac{1}{2}(|\mu \cap \varphi| - |\bar{\mu} \cap \varphi|) = -\frac{1}{2}(|\mu \cap \varphi| + |\bar{\mu} \cap \varphi|) + |\mu \cap \varphi| = -\frac{1}{2}(|\sigma \cap \varphi| + |\mu \cap \varphi|) \equiv \frac{|\sigma \cap \varphi|}{2} + |\varphi \cap \mu|$ , the equality (\*) holds.

□

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