

ON COMPLETE LIE SUPERALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. This paper is concerned with the equivalent conditions, the decomposition and the uniqueness of complete Lie superalgebras and a complete Lie superalgebra Derg .

1. Introduction

Interest in Lie superalgebras, motivated mainly by problems in homotopy theory and particle physics, dates back to the early 60's. As a natural generalization of Lie algebras, Lie superalgebra appears to be a promising ingredient of unified field theories currently under investigation. They are also interesting from a purely mathematical point of view, and their enveloping algebras provide various rich classes of associative algebras. The definition of a complete Lie algebra was given by N.Jacobson in 1962 [1]. In recent years some theories of complete Lie algebras have been developing by Dae Ji Meng [2].

In this paper, we announce and prove some results on complete Lie superalgebras.

Notations used in this paper are as follows :

- \mathfrak{g} finite dimensional Lie superalgebra over a field of characteristic 0
- $C(\mathfrak{g})$ the centre of a Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g}
- Derg the Lie superalgebra of superderivations of \mathfrak{g}
- adg the inner derivation algebra of \mathfrak{g}

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$C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ the centralizer of an ideal A in \mathfrak{g}
 $A \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g} \triangleright A$ A is a graded ideal of \mathfrak{g}

All ideals are graded ideals. Other definitions are referred to [5].

2. Complete Lie superalgebras

DEFINITION 2.1 [5]. Let $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ be a superalgebra whose multiplication is denoted by a pointed bracket \langle, \rangle . We call \mathfrak{g} a Lie superalgebra if the multiplication satisfies the following identities :

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, y \rangle &= -(-1)^{\alpha\beta} \langle y, x \rangle \text{ and} \\ &\text{(graded skew-symmetry)} \\ (-1)^{\alpha\gamma} \langle x, \langle y, z \rangle \rangle &+ (-1)^{\beta\alpha} \langle y, \langle z, x \rangle \rangle \\ &+ (-1)^{\gamma\beta} \langle z, \langle x, y \rangle \rangle = 0 \\ &\text{(graded Jacobi identity)} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in \mathfrak{g}_\alpha, y \in \mathfrak{g}_\beta, z \in \mathfrak{g}_\gamma; \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_2$. Then \mathfrak{g}_0 is a Lie algebra.

DEFINITION 2.2 [5]. Let $S = S_0 \oplus S_1$ be a superalgebra.

$\text{Hom}(S) = \{f : S \rightarrow S \text{ is a linear mapping}\}$ is a Lie superalgebra if one defines the \mathbb{Z}_2 -gradation by $\text{Hom}(S)_\alpha = \{f \in \text{Hom}(S) \mid f(S_\beta) \subset S_{\alpha+\beta}\}$. The Lie superalgebra associated with $\text{Hom}(S)$ will be denoted by $\text{pl}(S)$. Let $(\text{Der}S)_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ be the subspace of all $D \in \text{pl}(S)_\alpha$ such that $D(xy) = (Dx)y + (-1)^{\alpha\zeta} x(Dy)$ for all $x \in S_\zeta, y \in S$, where $\alpha, \zeta \in \mathbb{Z}_2$. Then $\text{Der}S = (\text{Der}S)_0 + (\text{Der}S)_1$ is a graded subalgebra of $\text{pl}(S)$. The elements of $\text{Der}S$ are called superderivations, and $\text{Der}S$ is called the Lie superalgebra of superderivations of S .

THEOREM 2.1 [5]. *Let the base field F of \mathfrak{g} be algebraically closed. Each of the following statements is strictly stonger than the foregoing one.*

- 1) \mathfrak{g} does not contain non-zero solvable graded ideals.
- 2) \mathfrak{g} is the direct product of finitely many simple Lie superalgebras.
- 3) The Killing form of \mathfrak{g} is non-degenerate.
- 4) All finite-dimensional graded representations of \mathfrak{g} are completely reducible.

It is well known that in the Lie algebra case these statements are mutually equivalent, and characterize the semi-simple Lie algebras.

DEFINITION 2.3. A Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} is called a complete Lie superalgebra if $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$ and $\text{Derg}=\text{adg}$.

EXAMPLES. 1) It is remarkable that a simple Lie superalgebra may have outer superderivations ; in fact, it is known that simple Lie algebras have only inner derivations. But classical simple Lie superalgebras $\text{osp}(n, 2r)(n, r \geq 1)$, $\text{spl}(n, m)(n \neq m)$, $\Gamma(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3)$, Γ_2 and Γ_3 are complete Lie superalgebras by [5].

2) Though \mathfrak{g}_0 is a complete Lie algebra, \mathfrak{g} need not be a complete Lie superalgebra. For example, let \mathfrak{g}_0 be a semisimple Lie algebra and \mathfrak{g}_1 be a finite dimensional vector space. Define $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$ for all $x \in \mathfrak{g}_1$ and $y \in \mathfrak{g}$, and $\langle x, y \rangle = [x, y]$ for all $x, y \in \mathfrak{g}_0$, where $[,]$ is the bracket operation of the Lie algebra. Then $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ is a Lie superalgebra. Since $C(\mathfrak{g}) \neq 0$, \mathfrak{g} is not complete. But \mathfrak{g}_0 is complete.

The completeness of \mathfrak{g}_0 and \mathfrak{g} are equivalent under the following condition.

THEOREM 2.2. *If $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$ has the nondegenerate Killing form over an algebraically closed field, then \mathfrak{g}_0 and \mathfrak{g} are complete.*

PROOF. Since \mathfrak{g} has the nondegenerate Killing form, $\text{Derg}=\text{adg}$ by [5]. Since $C(\mathfrak{g})$ is abelian, $C(\mathfrak{g})$ is solvable. Then $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$ by Theorem 2.1. Hence \mathfrak{g} is complete.

Let K be the nondegenerate Killing form of \mathfrak{g} . Then its restriction to \mathfrak{g}_0 , $K|_{\mathfrak{g}_0 \times \mathfrak{g}_0}$, which is the Killing form of \mathfrak{g}_0 , is nondegenerate by [1]. Therefore \mathfrak{g}_0 is a semisimple Lie algebra and $\text{Derg}=\text{adg}$ by [2]. Since \mathfrak{g}_0 has no nonzero solvable ideals and $C(\mathfrak{g}_0)=0$, \mathfrak{g}_0 is complete.

LEMMA 2.3. *If A is an ideal of \mathfrak{g} , then $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ is also an ideal of \mathfrak{g} . In particular, $C(\mathfrak{g}) = C_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{g})$ and $C(A) = C_A(A)$ are ideals.*

PROOF. If $x \in C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ and $a \in A = A_1 \oplus A_2$, then $\langle x, a \rangle = 0$, where $x = x_0 + x_1$, $a = a_0 + a_1$, $x_0 \in \mathfrak{g}_0$, $x_1 \in \mathfrak{g}_1$, $a_0 \in A_0$ and $a_1 \in A_1$. Since A is graded, $a_0, a_1 \in A$. Then $\langle x_0 + x_1, a_0 \rangle = \langle x_0 + x_1, a_1 \rangle = 0$ and $\langle x_0, a_0 \rangle + \langle x_1, a_0 \rangle = \langle x_0, a_1 \rangle + \langle x_1, a_1 \rangle = 0$. Hence $\langle x_0, a_0 \rangle, \langle x_1, a_1 \rangle, \langle x_0, a_1 \rangle, \langle x_1, a_0 \rangle \in A_0 \cap A_1$ and $\langle x_0, a_0 \rangle = \langle$

$x_0, a_1 \rangle = \langle x_1, a_0 \rangle = \langle x_1, a_1 \rangle = 0$. Hence $\langle x_0, a \rangle = \langle x_1, a \rangle = 0$. Therefore $x_0, x_1 \in C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ and $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ is graded.

Let $x \in C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ and $y \in \mathfrak{g}$. Since $a = a_0 + a_1 \in A$, $a_0, a_1 \in A$ by the gradation of A . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \langle x, y \rangle, a_0 \rangle &= \langle \langle x_0 + x_1, y_0 + y_1 \rangle, a_0 \rangle = 0 \text{ and} \\ \langle \langle x, y \rangle, a_1 \rangle &= \langle \langle x_0 + x_1, y_0 + y_1 \rangle, a_1 \rangle = 0 \end{aligned}$$

by the graded Jacobi identity and $\langle \langle x, y \rangle, a \rangle = 0$. Hence $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ is an ideal. The second and the third are similar.

THEOREM 2.4. *If A is a complete ideal of \mathfrak{g} , there exists an ideal B such that $\mathfrak{g} = A \oplus B$.*

PROOF. Let $B = C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$. By Lemma 2.3, $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ is an ideal of \mathfrak{g} . For each $a \in \mathfrak{g}$, $ada \in \text{Der}A$ since $A \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$. Since $\text{Der}A = \text{ad}A$, there exists a derivation D in $\text{Der}A$ such that $ada = D$. Therefore there exists $r \in A$ such that $Dx = \langle a, x \rangle = \langle r, x \rangle$ for $\forall x \in A$. Then $\langle a - r, x \rangle = 0$ and $a - r \in C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A) = B$. Hence $a = b + r$ for some $b \in B$. $A \cap B = A \cap C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A) = C(A) = 0$ since A is complete. Therefore $\mathfrak{g} = A \oplus B$.

DEFINITION 2.4. Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie superalgebra and $h(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathfrak{g} \oplus \text{Derg}$. Define the bracket in $h(\mathfrak{g})$ by $\langle x + D, y + E \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + Dy - (-1)^{\alpha\beta} Ex + \langle D, E \rangle$, where $E \in (\text{Der } \mathfrak{g})_{\alpha}, x \in \mathfrak{g}_{\beta}$. Then $h(\mathfrak{g})$ is a Lie superalgebra. We call $h(\mathfrak{g})$ a holomorph Lie superalgebra.

REMARK.

- 1) If $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$, then $C(\text{Derg})=0$, since $C(\text{Derg}) \subset \text{Derg}$ and $C(\text{Derg}) \subset C_{\text{Derg}}(\text{ad}\mathfrak{g}) = 0$.
- 2) $\mathfrak{g} \triangleleft h(\mathfrak{g})$ and $h(\mathfrak{g})/\mathfrak{g} \simeq \text{Derg}$.
- 3) $\mathfrak{g} \cap C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g}) = C(\mathfrak{g})$.

LEMMA 2.5. *If \mathfrak{g} is a Lie superalgebra, then*

- 1) $C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g}) = \{x - adx \mid x \in \mathfrak{g}\}$,
- 2) the map θ of $h(\mathfrak{g})$ defined by $\theta(x + D) = adx - x + D$ ($x \in \mathfrak{g}, D \in \text{Derg}$) is an automorphism of $h(\mathfrak{g})$ and $\theta(\mathfrak{g}) = C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$.

PROOF. 1) If $x + D \in C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$, then $\langle x + D, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle D, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + Dy = (\text{adx} + D)y = 0$ for all $x \in \mathfrak{g}$. Then $\text{adx} + D = 0$ implies $D = -\text{adx}$. Conversely, $\langle x - \text{adx}, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle - \text{adx}(y) = \langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle = 0$. Therefore, $x - \text{adx} \in C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$.

2) Since θ is a linear mapping and $\theta^2(x + D) = \theta(\text{adx} - x + D) = \text{ad}(-x) + x + \text{adx} + D = x + D$, θ^2 is the identity.

For any $x \in \mathfrak{g}$, $\theta(x) = \text{adx} - x \in C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$ by 1) and $\theta(\mathfrak{g}) \subset C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$. On the other hand, for $x - \text{adx} \in C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}\mathfrak{g}$, $x - \text{adx} = \theta(-x) \in \theta(\mathfrak{g})$. Therefore, $C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}\mathfrak{g} \subset \theta(\mathfrak{g})$. Hence $\theta(\mathfrak{g}) = C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$. To show that $\theta \in \text{Aut}(h(\mathfrak{g}))$,

$$\begin{aligned} < \theta(x + D), \theta(y + E) \rangle &= \langle \text{adx} - x + D, \text{ady} - y + E \rangle \\ &= \langle -x, -y \rangle + (\text{adx} + D)(-y) - (-1)^{\alpha\beta}(\text{ady} + E)(-x) \\ &\quad + \langle \text{adx} + D, \text{ady} + E \rangle \\ &= -Dy + (-1)^{\alpha\beta} \langle y, x \rangle + (-1)^{\alpha\beta}Ex + \langle \text{adx}, \text{ady} \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle D, \text{ady} \rangle + \langle \text{adx}, E \rangle + \langle D, E \rangle \\ &= -Dy + (-1)^{\alpha\beta} \langle y, x \rangle + (-1)^{\alpha\beta}Ex + \text{ad} \langle x, y \rangle \\ &\quad + \text{ad}D(y) - (-1)^{\alpha\beta}\text{ad}E(x) + \langle D, E \rangle \\ &= \theta(\langle x, y \rangle + Dy - (-1)^{\alpha\beta}Ex + \langle D, E \rangle) \\ &= \theta \langle x + D, y + E \rangle \text{ for all } x \in \mathfrak{g}_\alpha, \\ &\quad \text{where } D \in (\text{Derg})_\alpha, y \in \mathfrak{g}_\beta \text{ and } E \in (\text{Derg})_\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence θ is a homomorphism. Since θ^2 is the identity, $\theta \in \text{Aut}(h(\mathfrak{g}))$.

THEOREM 2.6. *The following conditions are equivalent :*

- 1) \mathfrak{g} is a complete Lie superalgebra.
- 2) Any splitting extension \mathfrak{a} by \mathfrak{g} is a trivial extension and $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{g} \oplus C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g})$.
- 3) $h(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathfrak{g} \oplus C_{h(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g})$.

PROOF. 1) \implies 2) Let \mathfrak{a} be a splitting extension by \mathfrak{g} . Then $\mathfrak{g} \triangleleft \mathfrak{a}$ and $C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g}) \triangleleft \mathfrak{a}$. Since $C(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$ by 1), $\mathfrak{g} \cap C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$. Let $x \in \mathfrak{a}$. Since $\mathfrak{g} \triangleleft \mathfrak{a}$, $\text{adxg} \subset \mathfrak{g}$. Then the restriction $\text{adx} \mid_{\mathfrak{g}}$ on \mathfrak{g} is a derivation of \mathfrak{g} . But \mathfrak{g} is complete, so $\text{adx} \mid_{\mathfrak{g}}$ is an inner derivation of \mathfrak{g} . We define π by $\pi(x) = \text{adx} \mid_{\mathfrak{g}}$ for $\forall x \in \mathfrak{a}$. Since $\text{Derg} = \text{adg} \simeq \mathfrak{g}$, the

map π is a homomorphism from \mathfrak{a} onto Derg with kernel $C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g})$. Hence $\dim \mathfrak{a} = \dim \mathfrak{g} + \dim C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g})$.

2) \implies 3) It is clear by setting $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})$.

3) \implies 1) $C(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathfrak{g} \cap C_{\mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$ by Remark. $C_{\mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})/\mathfrak{g}$ by 3) and $\mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})/\mathfrak{g} \simeq \text{Derg} \simeq C_{\mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{g})}(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathfrak{g}$ by Remark. Since $C(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$, $\mathfrak{g} \simeq \text{adg}$. Hence $\text{Derg} \simeq \text{adg}$.

THEOREM 2.7. *Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie superalgebra over a field F and K be an extension of F . Then $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_F K$ is complete if and only if \mathfrak{g} is complete.*

PROOF. By a result of [4], $\text{Der}(\mathfrak{g} \otimes_F K) = \text{Derg} \otimes_F K$.

3. The decomposition of the complete Lie superalgebra and uniqueness

LEMMA 3.1. *Let the Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} be decomposed into the direct sum of two ideals. i.e., $\mathfrak{g} = A \oplus B$.*

Then we have

- 1) $C(\mathfrak{g})$ has the decomposition $C(\mathfrak{g}) = C(A) \oplus C(B)$.
- 2) If $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$, then

$$\text{adg} = \text{ad}A \oplus \text{ad}B \text{ and}$$

$$\text{Derg} = \text{Der}A \oplus \text{Der}B.$$

- 3) \mathfrak{g} is complete if and only if A and B are complete.

PROOF. 1) By Lemma 2.3, $C(A)$ and $C(B)$ are ideals of \mathfrak{g} . $C(A) \cap C(B) = 0$, since $A \cap B = 0$. Let $a + b \in C(A) \oplus C(B)$, where $a \in C(A)$ and $b \in C(B)$. Then $\langle a, A \rangle = 0$ and $\langle b, B \rangle = 0$.

Let $p + q \in A \oplus B$, where $p \in A$ and $q \in B$. Then $\langle a + b, p + q \rangle = \langle a + b, p \rangle + \langle a + b, q \rangle = 0$, since $\langle b, p \rangle \in A \cap B$. Hence $a + b \in C(\mathfrak{g})$ and $C(A) \oplus C(B) \subset C(\mathfrak{g})$. Let $x = a + b \in C(\mathfrak{g})$, where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. Then $\langle a + b, \mathfrak{g} \rangle = \langle a + b, A + B \rangle = 0$ and $\langle a, A \rangle = \langle x - b, A \rangle = 0$ since $x \in C(\mathfrak{g})$ and $\langle b, A \rangle \subset \langle B, A \rangle = 0$. Hence $a \in C(A)$. Similarly, $b \in C(B)$. Therefore $C(\mathfrak{g}) \subset C(A) \oplus C(B)$.

2) For $D \in \text{Der}A$, extend it to a linear transformation on \mathfrak{g} by setting $D(a + b) = Da$ for $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. Obviously, $D \in \text{Derg}$ and $\text{Der}A \subset \text{Derg}$. Similarly, $\text{Der}B \subset \text{Derg}$. Let $a \in A_\alpha, b \in B$ and $D \in (\text{Derg})_\beta$. Then $\langle Da, b \rangle = D \langle a, b \rangle - (-1)^{\alpha\beta} \langle a, Db \rangle = -(-1)^{\alpha\beta} \langle a, Db \rangle \in A \cap B$. Since $A \cap B = 0, \langle Da, b \rangle = \langle a, Db \rangle = 0$. Suppose $Da = a' + b'$, where $a' \in A$ and $b' \in B$. Then $\langle Da, b \rangle = \langle a', b \rangle + \langle b', b \rangle = 0$ for all $b \in B$ and $b' \in C(B)$. Since $C(\mathfrak{g}) = C(A) \oplus C(B) = 0, b' = 0$. Hence $Da = a' \in A$. Therefore $D(A) \subset A$. Similarly, $D(B) \subset B$.

Let $D \in \text{Derg}$ and $a + b \in A + B$, where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. Define E and F by $E(a + b) = D(a)$ and $F(a + b) = D(b)$. Then $E \in \text{Der}A$ and $F \in \text{Der}B$. Hence $D = E + F \in \text{Der}A + \text{Der}B$. Since $\text{Der}A \cap \text{Der}B = 0, \text{Derg} = \text{Der}A \oplus \text{Der}B$ as a vector space.

Let $D \in (\text{Der}A)_\alpha, E \in (\text{Derg})_\beta$ and $b \in B$. Then $\langle E, D \rangle b = EDb - (-1)^{\alpha\beta} DEb = 0$. Hence $\text{Der}A \triangleleft \text{Derg}$. Similarly $\text{Der}B \triangleleft \text{Derg}$.

3) (\implies) Since \mathfrak{g} is complete, $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$. And $C(A) = C(B)=0$ by 1).

Since $\text{adg} = \text{Derg}, \text{adg} = \text{ad}A \oplus \text{ad}B$ and $\text{Derg} = \text{Der}A \oplus \text{Der}B$ by 2). Since $\text{ad}A \subset \text{Der}A$ and $\text{ad}B \subset \text{Der}B, \text{ad}A = \text{Der}A$ and $\text{ad}B = \text{Der}B$. Hence A and B are complete Lie superalgebras.

(\impliedby) $C(\mathfrak{g})=C(A) \oplus C(B)=0$ by 1). $\text{Derg} = \text{Der}A \oplus \text{Der}B = \text{ad}A \oplus \text{ad}B = \text{adg}$ by 2).

DEFINITION 3.1. A complete Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} is called a simply complete Lie superalgebra if any non-trivial ideal of \mathfrak{g} is not complete.

EXAMPLE. A simple and complete Lie superalgebra is a simply complete Lie superalgebra.

THEOREM 3.2.

- 1) Any complete Lie superalgebra can be decomposed into the direct sum of simply complete ideals.
- 2) A complete Lie superalgebra is simply complete if and only if it is indecomposable.

PROOF. 1) If \mathfrak{g} is simply complete, the result is true. If \mathfrak{g} is not simply complete, there exists a nonzero minimal complete ideal A of \mathfrak{g} such that $\mathfrak{g} = A \oplus C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ by Theorem 2.4. Continuing this process to

$C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$, we get the decomposition of \mathfrak{g} into simply complete ideals since an ideal of $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(A)$ is also an ideal of \mathfrak{g} . 2) This follows from 1).

LEMMA 3.3. *Let $\mathfrak{g} = B \oplus C$, A be a subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} and $B \subset A$. Then $A = B \oplus (C \cap A)$ and $A \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$ if and only if $(A \cap C) \triangleleft C$. Here B and C are ideals but need not be graded.*

PROOF. It is clear.

DEFINITION 3.2. If an endomorphism (which is homogeneous of degree zero) φ of a Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} satisfies $\varphi \text{ad}x = (\text{ad}x)\varphi$ for $\forall x \in \mathfrak{g}$, then φ is called a \mathfrak{g} -endomorphism of \mathfrak{g} .

EXAMPLE. Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie superalgebra with decomposition of ideals, i.e., $\mathfrak{g} = A \oplus B$, and π be the projection into A with respect to this decomposition. Then π is a \mathfrak{g} -endomorphism of \mathfrak{g} .

In fact, for any $x = x_1 + x_2, y = y_1 + y_2, x_1 \in A, y_1 \in A, x_2 \in B$ and $y_2 \in B$, we have

$$\pi \text{ad}x(y) = \langle x_1, y_1 \rangle = \text{ad}x\pi(y).$$

LEMMA 3.4. *Let φ be a \mathfrak{g} -endomorphism of the Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} . Then there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that*

$$\mathfrak{g} = \text{Ker}\varphi^k \oplus \text{Im}\varphi^k.$$

Furthermore, if \mathfrak{g} is indecomposable, then we have

$$\varphi^k = 0 \text{ or } \varphi \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}.$$

PROOF. Let $f(\lambda) = \lambda^k x(\lambda)$ be the minimal polynomial of φ , where $(\lambda, x(\lambda)) = 1$. In fact, if $k = 0$ then $f(\lambda) = x(\lambda)$ and $x(\varphi) = 0$. Hence $\varphi^n + \alpha\varphi^{n-1} + \dots + \beta\varphi + \gamma = 0$ and $1 = -\gamma^{-1}\varphi(\varphi^{n-1} + \dots + \beta)$. Therefore $\mathfrak{g} \subset \text{Im}\varphi$.

Now suppose $k \geq 1$, then there exist polynomials $u(\lambda)$ and $v(\lambda)$ such that $u(\lambda)x(\lambda) + v(\lambda)\lambda^k = 1$. And $u(\varphi)x(\varphi) + v(\varphi)\varphi^k$ is the identity.

If $y \in \mathfrak{g}$, then $y = u(\varphi)x(\varphi)(y) + v(\varphi)\varphi^k(y) \in \text{Ker}\varphi^k + \text{Im}\varphi^k$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Ker}\varphi^k + \text{Im}\varphi^k$. If $y \in \text{Ker}\varphi^k \cap \text{Im}\varphi^k$, then $\varphi^k(y) = 0$ and $y = \varphi^k(z)$

for some $z \in \mathfrak{g}$. Hence $y = u(\varphi)x(\varphi)\varphi^k(z) = u(\varphi)f(\varphi)(z) = 0$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Ker}\varphi^k \oplus \text{Im}\varphi^k$ as a vector space.

If $x_0 + x_1 \in \text{Ker}\varphi^k$, where $x_0 \in \mathfrak{g}_0$ and $x_1 \in \mathfrak{g}_1$, then $\varphi^k(x_0) = \varphi^k(x_1) = 0$ since φ is homogeneous of degree 0. Hence $\text{Ker}\varphi^k$ is graded and $\text{Ker}\varphi^k \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$.

Let $a = a_0 + a_1 \in \text{Im}\varphi^k$, where $a_0 \in \mathfrak{g}_0$ and $a_1 \in \mathfrak{g}_1$. Then $a_0 + a_1 = \varphi^k(y_0 + y_1)$ for some $y_0 \in \mathfrak{g}_0, y_1 \in \mathfrak{g}_1$. Hence $\varphi^k(y_0) + \varphi^k(y_1) = a_0 + a_1$ and $\varphi^k(x_0) - a_0 = a_1 - \varphi^k(y_1) \in \mathfrak{g}_0 \cap \mathfrak{g}_1$. Then $a_0, a_1 \in \text{Im}\varphi^k$ and $\text{Im}\varphi^k$ is graded. Let $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $a \in \text{Im}\varphi^k$. Then $a = \varphi^k(y)$ for some $y \in \mathfrak{g}$. Hence $\langle x, a \rangle = \langle x, \varphi^k(y) \rangle = \varphi^k \langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Im}\varphi^k$ since φ^k is a \mathfrak{g} -endomorphism. Therefore $\text{Im}\varphi^k \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$.

Since \mathfrak{g} is indecomposable, $\text{Ker}\varphi^k = \mathfrak{g}$ or $\text{Im}\varphi^k = \mathfrak{g}$. If $\text{Ker}\varphi^k = \mathfrak{g}$, then $\varphi^k = 0$. If $\text{Im}\varphi^k = \mathfrak{g}$, then $\varphi^k \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$.

LEMMA 3.5. *Let \mathfrak{g} be an indecomposable Lie superalgebra. Let $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_n$ and $\sum_{k=1}^j \varphi_k (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ be \mathfrak{g} -endomorphisms of \mathfrak{g} such that*

$$\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \dots + \varphi_n = \text{id}.$$

Then there exists an index i with $\varphi_i \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$.

PROOF. By induction on n . In the case of $n = 1$, it is trivial.

For $n = 2$, since $\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 = \text{id}$ and $\varphi_1(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) = (\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)\varphi_1, \varphi_1\varphi_2 = \varphi_2\varphi_1$. Now suppose that $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \notin \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$. By Lemma 3.4, there exists $k_i (i = 1, 2)$ such that $\varphi_i^{k_i} = 0$. Choose $k > k_1 + k_2$. Then $\text{id} = (\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)^k = \sum_i^j \binom{k}{j} \varphi_1^{k-j} \varphi_2^j = 0$. It is a contradiction. Therefore $\varphi_1 \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$ or $\varphi_2 \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$.

For $n > 2$, set $\psi = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \varphi_i$. So ψ and φ_n are \mathfrak{g} -endomorphisms of \mathfrak{g} and $\psi + \varphi_n = \text{id}$. Hence $\varphi_n \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$ or $\psi \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$. If $\varphi_n \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$, then the result is true. If $\psi \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$, then $\psi^{-1}, \varphi_1\psi^{-1}, \dots, \varphi_n\psi^{-1}$ are \mathfrak{g} -endomorphisms and $(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \varphi_i)\psi^{-1} = \psi\psi^{-1} = \text{id}$. By inductive assumption, $\varphi_i\psi^{-1} \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$ for some i . Therefore $\varphi_i \in \text{Aut}\mathfrak{g}$.

THEOREM 3.6. *Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie superalgebra with trivial centre. Suppose \mathfrak{g} has the decomposition of direct sum of ideals :*

$$(3.1) \quad \mathfrak{g} = H_1 \oplus H_2 \oplus \dots \oplus H_m$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \mathfrak{g} = T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \dots \oplus T_n$$

where H_1, \dots, H_m and T_1, \dots, T_n are indecomposable. Then

$$m = n$$

and if necessary, by a permutation of the summands

$$H_i = T_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

PROOF. We prove by induction on n . For $n = 1$, \mathfrak{g} is indecomposable, so $m = n = 1$ and $H_1 = T_1 = \mathfrak{g}$.

Now suppose $n > 1$, so that $m > 1$. Denote the projection of \mathfrak{g} onto H_1 with respect to the decomposition (3.1) by π , the imbedding of H_1 into \mathfrak{g} by σ , the projection of \mathfrak{g} onto T_i with respect to the decomposition (3.2) by ρ_i and the imbedding of T_i into \mathfrak{g} by τ_i . Then $\pi, \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n$ and $\sum_{i=1}^j \rho_i (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ are \mathfrak{g} -endomorphisms of \mathfrak{g} and $\rho_1 + \rho_2 + \dots + \rho_n = \text{id}_{\mathfrak{g}}$. Set $\pi_i^* = \pi \tau_i = \pi |_{T_i}$ and $\rho_i^* = \rho_i \sigma = \rho_i |_{H_1}$ for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then $\pi_i^* \rho_i^*$ is an H_1 -endomorphism of H_1 . The map $\sum_{i=1}^j \tau_i \rho_i$ defined by

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^j \tau_i \rho_i \right] (x) = \sum_{i=1}^j \tau_i \rho_i(x), \quad \text{with } x \in \mathfrak{g},$$

is a \mathfrak{g} -endomorphism of \mathfrak{g} . Hence

$$\pi \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \tau_i \rho_i \right] \sigma = \sum_{i=1}^j \pi_i^* \rho_i^* = \sum_{i=1}^j \pi_i^* \rho_i |_{H_1}$$

is an H_1 -endomorphism of H_1 . For each $h \in H_1$, we have

$$h = \pi(h) = \pi \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i(h) \right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i^* \rho_i^*(h).$$

i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i^* \rho_i^* = \text{id}_{H_1}.$$

Therefore, by Lemma 3.5, there exists an index i such that $\pi_i^* \rho_i^* \in \text{Aut}H_1$. If necessary, by a permutation of T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n , we can assume that $i = 1$. i.e., $\pi_1^* \rho_1^* \in \text{Aut}H_1$. This implies that ρ_1^* is injective.

Set $H = H_2 \oplus \dots \oplus H_m$ and $T = T_2 \oplus \dots \oplus T_n$. Then $C(H) = C(T) = 0$ by Lemma 3.1 and $H = C_{\mathfrak{g}}(H_1)$, $T = C_{\mathfrak{g}}(T_1)$, $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(H) = H_1$, $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(T) = T_1$ and $T = \text{Ker} \rho_1$. Therefore

$$0 = \text{Ker} \rho_1^* = H_1 \cap \text{Ker} \rho_1 = H_1 \cap T.$$

So $H_1 \subset C_{\mathfrak{g}}(T)$. By Lemma 3.3, we have

$$T_1 = H_1 \oplus (T_1 \cap H).$$

But T_1 is indecomposable, so $T_1 = H_1$. Hence $H = T$. By inductive assumption, the theorem follows.

COROLLARY 3.7. *Let \mathfrak{g} be a complete Lie superalgebra. Then*

- 1) $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathfrak{g}_m$, where \mathfrak{g}_i is a simply complete Lie superalgebra and an ideal of \mathfrak{g} for each i .
- 2) This decomposition is unique up to the order of the ideals.

PROOF. 1) follows from Theorem 3.2.

2) Since \mathfrak{g} is complete, $C(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$. It follows from Theorem 3.6.

4. Complete Lie superalgebra Derg

DEFINITION 4.1. A subspace A of a Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{g} is called a characteristic ideal of \mathfrak{g} , if $D(A) \subset A$ for $\forall D \in \text{Derg}$.

Notice that a characteristic ideal is also an ideal.

THEOREM 4.2. *Let \mathfrak{g} be an Lie superalgebra with trivial centre and $\text{ad} \mathfrak{g}$ be a characteristic ideal of Derg . Then Derg is complete. Furthermore, if \mathfrak{g} is indecomposable and $\langle \mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g} \rangle = \mathfrak{g}$. Then Derg is simply complete.*

PROOF. Since $C(\mathfrak{g})=0$, $\mathfrak{g} \simeq \text{ad}\mathfrak{g}$. Set $\mathfrak{a} = \text{Derg}$, so $\mathfrak{g} \triangleleft \mathfrak{a}$. Let \mathfrak{b} be a splitting extension by \mathfrak{a} . i.e., $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft \mathfrak{b}$. Then we have $\text{ad}\mathfrak{b} \in \text{Dera}$ for $\forall b \in \mathfrak{b}$. Since \mathfrak{g} is a characteristic ideal of \mathfrak{a} , there exists an element $a \in \mathfrak{a}$ such that $\text{ada}|_{\mathfrak{g}} = \text{adb}|_{\mathfrak{g}}$. Then $\text{ad}(a-b)|_{\mathfrak{g}} = 0$. i.e., $a-b \in C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{g})$. Thus we obtain $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{a} + C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g})$. But $\mathfrak{a} \cap C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{g}) = C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$ and $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft \mathfrak{b}$. Therefore $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{a} \oplus C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{g})$. From this, we have immediately $C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{g}) \subset C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{a})$. Therefore, we have $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{a} \oplus C_{\mathfrak{b}}(\mathfrak{a})$. Then \mathfrak{a} is a complete Lie superalgebra by Theorem 2.6.

Now, suppose that Derg is not simply complete. Then there exists a simply complete ideal A . Then there exists an ideal B such that $\mathfrak{a} = A \oplus B$ by Theorem 2.4.

For $y, z \in \mathfrak{g}$, there exist $y_1, z_1 \in A, y_2, z_2 \in B$ such that $y = y_1 + y_2$ and $z = z_1 + z_2$. Hence $\langle y, z \rangle = \langle y_1, z_1 \rangle + \langle y_2, z_2 \rangle$ and $\langle y_1, z_1 \rangle \in (A \cap \mathfrak{g})$ and $\langle y_2, z_2 \rangle \in (B \cap \mathfrak{g})$. Then $\mathfrak{g} = \langle \mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g} \rangle = (A \cap \mathfrak{g}) \oplus (B \cap \mathfrak{g})$. But $A \cap \mathfrak{g} = 0$ (or $B \cap \mathfrak{g} = 0$) because \mathfrak{g} is indecomposable. Then $\mathfrak{g} \subset (B \cap \mathfrak{g})$ and $\mathfrak{g} \subset B$. Therefore $A \subset C_{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{g}) = 0$. Hence \mathfrak{a} is indecomposable and Derg is simply complete by Theorem 3.2.

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