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# Local derivations of semisimple Leibniz algebras

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**Abstract.** We prove that every local derivation on a complex semisimple finitedimensional Leibniz algebra is a derivation.

The study of local derivations started with Kadison's article [22]. After this work, appear numerous new results related to the description of numerous local mappings (such that local derivations, 2-local derivations, bilocal derivations, bilocal Lie derivations, weak-2-local derivations, local automorphisms, 2-local Lie \*-automorphisms, 2-local \*-Lie isomorphisms and so on) of associative algebras (see, for example, [1], [3], [4], [5], [7], [8], [24]). The study of local and 2-local derivations of non-associative algebras was initiated in some papers of Ayupov and Kudaybergenov (for the case of Lie algebras, see [6], [7]). In particular, they proved that there are no non-trivial local and 2-local derivations on complex semisimple finite-dimensional Lie algebras. In [7] it is also given examples of 2-local derivations on nilpotent Lie algebras which are not derivations. After the cited works, the study of local and 2-local derivations was continued for many types of algebras, such that Leibniz algebras [8], Jordan algebras [3], n-ary algebras [19] and so on. The first example of a simple (ternary) algebra with non-trivial local derivations is constructed by Ferreira, Kaygorodov and Kudaybergenov in [19]. After that, the first example of a simple (binary) algebra with non-trivial local derivations/automorphisms was constructed by Ayupov, Elduque and Kudaybergenov in [4], [5]. The present paper is devoted to the study of local derivations of semisimple finite-dimensional Leibniz algebras.

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**Definition 0.1.** Let **A** be an algebra. A linear map  $\Delta : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{A}$  is called a local derivation, if for any element  $x \in \mathbf{A}$  there exists a derivation  $\mathfrak{D}_x : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{A}$  such that  $\Delta(x) = \mathfrak{D}_x(x)$ .

### **1** Structure of semisimple Leibniz algebras and their derivations

### 1.1 Leibniz algebras

Leibniz algebras present a "non antisymmetric" generalization of Lie algebras. It appeared in some papers of Bloh [in 1960s] and Loday [in 1990s]. Recently, they appeared in many geometric and physics applications (see, for example, [12], [14], [16], [23], [29] and references therein). A systematic study of algebraic properties of Leibniz algebras is started from the Loday paper [26]. So, several classical theorems from Lie algebras theory have been extended to the Leibniz algebras case; many classification results regarding nilpotent, solvable, simple, and semisimple Leibniz algebras are obtained (see, for example, [2], [8], [9], [10], [11], [13], [15], [17], [18], [25], [27], [28], [30], and references therein). Leibniz algebras is a particular case of terminal algebras and, on the other hand, symmetric Leibniz algebras are Poisson admissible algebras.

An algebra  $(\mathcal{L}, [\cdot, \cdot])$  over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  is called a (right) Leibniz algebra if it satisfies the property

$$[x, [y, z]] = [[x, y], z] - [[x, z], y],$$

which is called Leibniz identity. For a Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$ , a subspace generated by its squares  $\mathcal{I} = \text{span} \{ [x, x] : x \in \mathcal{L} \}$  due to Leibniz identity becomes an ideal, and the quotient  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{L}} = \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{I}$  is a Lie algebra called liezation of  $\mathcal{L}$ . Moreover,  $[\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{I}] = 0$ . Following ideas of Dzhumadildaev [17], a Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  is called simple if its liezation is a simple Lie algebra and the ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is a simple ideal. Equivalently,  $\mathcal{L}$  is simple iff  $\mathcal{I}$  is the only nontrivial ideal of  $\mathcal{L}$ . A Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  is called semisimple if its liezation  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{L}}$  is a semisimple Lie algebra. Simple and semisimple Leibniz algebras are under certain interest now [8], [9], [14], [17], [18], [27], [28].

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a Lie algebra and  $\mathcal{V}$  a (right)  $\mathcal{G}$ -module. Endow on vector space  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{V}$  the bracket product as follows:

$$[(g_1, v_1), (g_2, v_2)] := ([g_1, g_2], v_1 \cdot g_2),$$

where  $v \cdot g$  (sometimes denoted as [v, g]) is an action of an element g of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is a Leibniz algebra, denoted as  $\mathcal{G} \ltimes \mathcal{V}$ . The following theorem proved by Barnes [11] presents an analog of Levi-Malcev's theorem for Leibniz algebras.

**Theorem 1.1.** If  $\mathcal{L}$  is a finite-dimensional Leibniz algebra over a field of characteristic zero, then  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{I}$ , where  $\mathcal{S}$  is a semisimple Lie subalgebra of  $\mathcal{L}$ .

It should be noted that  $\mathcal{I}$  is a non-trivial module over the Lie algebra  $\mathcal{S}$ . We say that a semisimple Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  is decomposable, if  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_1 \oplus \mathcal{L}_2$ , where  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  are non-trivial semisimple Leibniz algebras. Otherwise, we say that  $\mathcal{L}$  is indecomposable. Now

we recall the structure of semisimple Leibniz algebras (see [9]). Any complex semisimple finite-dimensional Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  represented as

$$\mathcal{L} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} \left( \mathcal{S}_i \ltimes \mathcal{I}_i \right), \tag{1}$$

where each  $S_i \ltimes I_i$  is an indecomposable Leibniz algebra (see [9, Lemma 3.2]).

#### 1.2 Derivations of semisimple Leibniz algebras

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a semisimple Leibniz algebra of the form (1). It is clear that

$$\mathfrak{Der}\left(\mathcal{L}
ight)=igoplus_{i=1}^{n}\mathfrak{Der}\left(\mathcal{S}_{i}\ltimes\mathcal{I}_{i}
ight).$$

Hence

$$\mathfrak{LDer}\left(\mathcal{L}
ight)=igoplus_{i=1}^{n}\mathfrak{LDer}\left(\mathcal{S}_{i}\ltimes\mathcal{I}_{i}
ight)$$

So, it suffices to consider local derivations indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebras. Any indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  represented as

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=1}^m \mathcal{V}_k \right),$$

where each  $\mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_k$  is also indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra. Let  $\mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=1}^m \mathcal{V}_k \right)$  be an indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra. Denote by  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{S}}$  the set of all  $k = 1, \ldots, m$  such that  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_k$  are isomorphic as  $\mathcal{S}$ -modules and denote by  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}$ the set of all pairs  $\{i, j\}$  such that  $\mathcal{V}_i$  and  $\mathcal{V}_j$  are isomorphic as  $\mathcal{S}$ -modules.

Any 
$$\mathfrak{D} \in \mathfrak{Der}\left(\mathcal{S} \ltimes \left(\bigoplus_{k=1}^{m} \mathcal{V}_{k}\right)\right)$$
 is of the form  
$$\mathfrak{D} = R_{a} + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{S}}} \varpi_{k} \theta_{k} + \sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}} \lambda_{i,j} \pi_{i,j},$$
(2)

where  $\pi_{i,j} \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{V}_i, \mathcal{V}_j), \theta_k \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{V}_k)$  and  $R_a$  is the standard right multiplication on  $a \in \mathcal{S}$  (see [9, Theorem 4.5]).

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The present part of the paper is dedicated to the proof of the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=1}^{m} \mathcal{V}_k \right)$  be a complex semisimple finite-dimensional Leibniz algebra. Then any local derivation  $\Delta$  on  $\mathcal{L}$  is a derivation.

As we have mentioned above it suffices to consider local derivations of indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebras. From now on  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=1}^{m} \mathcal{V}_{k} \right)$  is a complex finitedimensional indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra.

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathcal{S}$ . Consider a root space decomposition of  $\mathcal{S}$ :

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{H} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \mathcal{S}_{\alpha},$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the set of all nonzero linear functionals  $\alpha$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  such that

$$\mathcal{S}_{\alpha} = \{ x \in \mathcal{S} : [h, x] = \alpha(h)x, \, \forall \, h \in \mathcal{H} \} \neq \{ 0 \}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{V}_k = igoplus_{eta \in \Phi_k} \mathcal{V}_k^eta$$

be a weight decomposition of  $\mathcal{V}_k$ , where  $\Phi_k$  is the set of all weights.

For q = 1, ..., m denote by  $\operatorname{pr}_q : \bigoplus_{k=1}^m \mathcal{V}_k \to \mathcal{V}_q$  a projection mapping defined as follows

$$\operatorname{pr}_q\left(\sum_{k=1}^m v_k\right) = v_q.$$

Let us define a mapping  $\Delta_{p,q} : \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_p \to \mathcal{V}_q$  as follows

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x+v) = \operatorname{pr}_q\left(\Delta(x+v)\right), \ x+v \in \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_p.$$

By (2) for any  $x + v \in \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_p^{\beta}$  there exist  $a_{x+v} \in \mathcal{S}$  and complex numbers  $\omega_k^{(x+v)}, \lambda_{i,j}^{(x+v)}$  such that

$$\Delta(x+v) = [x+v, a_{x+v}] + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{S}}} \omega_k^{(x+v)} \theta_k(x) + \sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}} \lambda_{i,j}^{(x+v)} \pi_{i,j}(v)$$

Let  $a_{x+v} = h_{x+v} + \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} c_{\alpha}^{(x+v)} e_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{H} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \mathcal{S}_{\alpha}$ , and denote  $\Gamma_q = \{\alpha : [v, e_{\alpha}] \in \mathcal{V}_q\}$ . Then

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x+v) = \operatorname{pr}_{q}\left( [x+v, a_{x+v}] + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{S}}} \omega_{k}^{(x+v)} \theta_{k}(x) + \sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}} \lambda_{i,j}^{(x+v)} \pi_{i,j}(v) \right),$$

that is

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x+v) = \delta_{p,q}[v,h_{x+v}] + \left[v,\sum_{\alpha\in\Gamma_q} c_{\alpha}^{(x+v)}e_{\alpha}\right] + \omega_q^{(x+v)}\theta_q(x) + \lambda_{p,q}^{(x+v)}\pi_{p,q}(v), \quad (3)$$

where  $\delta_{p,q}$  is the Kronecker delta.

If necessary, after renumbering we can assume that there is a number  $k \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  such that S and  $\mathcal{V}_i$  are isomorphic S-modules for all  $i = 1, \ldots, k$ , and S and  $\mathcal{V}_i$  are not isomorphic S-modules for all  $i = k + 1, \ldots, m$ . According (2), we can consider two possible cases separately.

Let us first consider an indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^{m} \mathcal{V}_i \right)$ such that  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_i$  (i = 1, ..., m) are isomorphic  $\mathcal{S}$ -modules.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\Delta$  be a local derivation on  $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $\Delta(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . Then  $\Delta$  is a derivation.

*Proof.* Fix the indices p, q. Let us show that there are complex numbers  $\omega_q$  and  $\lambda_{p,q}$  such that

$$\Delta_{p,q} = \omega_q \theta_q + \lambda_{p,q} \pi_{p,q}.$$

Fix a basis  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_m\}$  in  $\mathcal{S}$ . The system of vectors  $\{\theta_s(x_i)\}_{1 \le i \le m}$  is a basis in  $\mathcal{V}_s$  (for s = p, q). Here,  $\theta_s$  is an  $\mathcal{S}$ -module isomorphism from  $\mathcal{S}$  onto  $\mathcal{V}_s$ , in particular,

$$\theta_s([x,y]) = [\theta_s(x),y].$$

Using (3) for  $x = x_i$  and take a complex number  $\omega_q^{(i)}$  such that

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x_i) = \omega_q^{(i)} \theta_q(x_i).$$

Now for the element  $x = x_i + x_j$ , where  $i \neq j$ , take a complex number  $\omega_q^{(i,j)}$  such that

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x_i + x_j) = \omega_q^{(i,j)} \theta_q(x_i + x_j) = \omega_q^{(i,j)} \theta_q(x_i) + \omega_q^{(i,j)} \theta_q(x_j).$$

On the other hand,

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x_i + x_j) = \omega_q^{(i)} \theta_q(x_i) + \omega_q^{(j)} \theta_q(x_j).$$

Comparing the last two equalities we obtain  $\omega_q^{(i)} = \omega_q^{(j)}$  for all i, j. This means that there exists a complex number  $\varpi_q$  such that

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x_i) = \varpi_q \theta_q(x_i). \tag{4}$$

Now by (3) for  $x = x_i + \theta_p(x_i) \in \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_p$  take complex numbers  $\omega_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  such that

$$\Delta(x_i + \theta_p(x_i)) = \omega_i \theta_q(x_i) + \lambda_i \pi_{p,q}(\theta_p(x_i)) = (\omega_i + \lambda_i) \theta_q(x_i).$$

Taking into account (4) we obtain that

$$\begin{array}{lll} \Delta_{p,q}(\theta_p(x_i)) &=& \Delta_{p,q}(x_i + \theta_p(x_i)) - \Delta_{p,q}(x_i) \\ &=& (\omega_i + \lambda_i)\theta_q(x_i) - \varpi_q \theta_q(x_i) \\ \end{array} = (\omega_i - \varpi_q + \lambda_i)\theta_q(x_i).$$

This means that for every  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  there exists a complex number  $\Lambda_i$  such that

$$\Delta(\theta_p(x_i)) = \Lambda_i \theta_q(x_i). \tag{5}$$

Take an element  $x = x_i + x_j + \theta_p(x_i + x_j) \in \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_p$ , where  $i \neq j$ . By (3), we get that

$$\Delta_{p,q}(x_i + x_j + \theta_p(x_i + x_j)) = \omega_{i,j}\theta_q(x_i + x_j) + \lambda_{i,j}\theta_q(x_i + x_j).$$

Taking into account (4) we obtain that

$$\Delta_{p,q} \left( \theta_q(x_i + x_j) \right) = \Delta_{p,q}(x_i + x_j + \theta_q(x_i + x_j)) - \Delta_{p,q}(x_i + x_j)$$
$$= (\omega_{i,j} - \varpi_q + \lambda_{i,j})\theta_q(x_i + x_j).$$

On the other hand, by (5),

$$\Delta_{p,q}(\theta_q(x_i+x_j)) = \Delta_{p,q}(\theta_q(x_i)) + \Delta_{p,q}(\theta_q(x_j)) = \lambda_i \theta_q(x_i) + \lambda_j \theta_q(x_j).$$

Comparing the last two equalities we obtain that  $\lambda_i = \lambda_j$  for all *i* and *j*. This means that there exist a complex number  $\lambda_{p,q}$  such that

$$\Delta_{p,q}(\theta_q(x_i)) = \lambda_{p,q}\theta_q(x_i).$$
(6)

Combining (4) and (6) we obtain that  $\Delta_{p,q} = \overline{\omega}_q \theta_q + \lambda_{p,q} \pi_{p,q}$ . This means that  $\Delta$  is a derivation. The proof is completed.

In the next lemma we consider  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} \ltimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=1}^{m} \mathcal{V}_k \right)$ , an indecomposable semisimple Leibniz algebra, such that  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_k$  are not isomorphic  $\mathcal{S}$ -modules for all  $k = 1, \ldots, m$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\Delta$  be a local derivation on  $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $\Delta(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . Then  $\Delta$  is a derivation. *Proof.* Let  $\left\{v_1^{(1)}, \ldots, v_n^{(1)}\right\}$  be a basis of  $\mathcal{V}_1$ . Since  $\mathcal{V}_1$  and  $\mathcal{V}_k$  are isomorphic, it follows that  $\left\{v_i^{(q)} = \pi_{1,q}(v_i^{(1)}) : i = 1, \ldots, n\right\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{V}_q$ .

Without lost of generality we can assume that for any  $v_i^{(1)}$  there exists a weight  $\beta_i$  such that  $v_i^{(1)} \in \mathcal{V}_{\beta_i}$ . Let  $h_0$  be a strongly regular element in  $\mathcal{H}$ , that is,  $\alpha(h_0) \neq \beta(h_0)$  for any  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma, \alpha \neq \beta$ . For  $x = h_0 + v_i^{(1)} \in \mathcal{S} \ltimes \mathcal{V}_1$  take an element  $a_x \in \mathcal{S}$  and complex numbers  $\lambda_k^{(x)}$  such that

$$\Delta\left(h_0 + v_i^{(1)}\right) = [h_0, a_x] + \left[v_i^{(1)}, a_x\right] + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_k^{(x)} v_i^{(k)}.$$

Taking into account that  $h_0$  is strongly regular, from  $[h_0, a_x] = 0$ , we have that  $a_x \in \mathcal{H}$ . Further

$$\Delta\left(v_{i}^{(1)}\right) = \Delta\left(h_{0} + v_{i}^{(1)}\right)$$
$$= \left[v_{i}^{(1)}, a_{x}\right] + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_{k}^{(x)} v_{i}^{(k)} = (\beta_{i}(a_{x}) + \lambda_{1}^{(x)}) v_{i}^{(1)} + \sum_{1 < k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_{k}^{(x)} v_{i}^{(k)}.$$

Now we change the element  $x = h_0 + v_i^{(1)}$  to the element  $\overline{x} = h_0 + v_i^{(1)} + v_j^{(1)}$   $(i \neq j)$ , then similar as above we get that

$$\Delta\left(v_i^{(1)} + v_j^{(1)}\right) = (*)v_i^{(1)} + (*)v_j^{(1)} + \sum_{1 < k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_k^{(\overline{x})} \left(v_i^{(k)} + v_j^{(k)}\right).$$

Comparing the last two equalities we can see that there are  $\lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\Delta\left(v_{i}^{(1)}\right) = (*)v_{i}^{(1)} + \sum_{1 < k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_{k} v_{i}^{(k)}.$$

Replacing  $\Delta$  with  $\Delta - \sum_{1 < k \in \Gamma_{1,k}} \lambda_k \pi_{1,k}$  we obtain a new local derivation which maps  $\mathcal{V}_1$  into itself. Due to (2), there exist complex numbers  $\lambda_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$  such that

$$\Delta\left(v_i^{(1)}\right) = \lambda_i v_i^{(1)}.\tag{7}$$

We shall show that  $\lambda_1 = \ldots = \lambda_n$ . For a fixed  $v_i^{(1)}$   $(i \neq 1)$  we have that

$$\Delta\left(v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}\right) = \lambda_1 v_1^{(1)} + \lambda_i v_i^{(1)}.$$
(8)

Without loss of generality we can assume that  $\beta_1$  is a fixed highest weight of  $\mathcal{V}_1$ . It is known [20, Page 108] that the weight  $\beta_1 - \beta_i$  can be represented as

$$\beta_1 - \beta_i = n_1 \alpha_1 + \ldots + n_l \alpha_l,$$

where  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_l$  are simple roots of  $\mathcal{S}, n_1, \ldots, n_l$  are non negative integers.

Below we shall consider two separated cases.

**Case 1.**  $\alpha_0 = n_1 \alpha_1 + \ldots + n_l \alpha_l$  is not a root. Take the following element

$$y = n_1 e_{\alpha_1} + \ldots + n_l e_{\alpha_l} + v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}$$

By the definition of local derivation we can find an element  $a_y = h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} c_{\alpha} e_{\alpha} \in S$ and a number  $\lambda^{(y)}$  such that

$$\Delta(y) = [y, a_y] + \lambda^{(y)} \left( v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)} \right).$$

Taking into account (7) and  $\Delta(y) \in \mathcal{V}$ , we obtain that

$$\left[\sum_{s=1}^{l} n_s e_{\alpha_s}, h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} c_{\alpha} e_{\alpha}\right] = 0.$$

Thus

$$\sum_{s=1}^{l} n_s \alpha_s(h) e_{\alpha_s} + \sum_{t=1}^{l} \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} (*) e_{\alpha + \alpha_t} = 0,$$

where the symbols (\*) denote appropriate coefficients. The second summand does not contain any element of the form  $e_{\alpha_s}$ . Indeed, if we assume that  $\alpha_s = \alpha + \alpha_t$ , we have that  $\alpha = \alpha_s - \alpha_t$ . But  $\alpha_s - \alpha_t$  is not a root, because  $\alpha_s, \alpha_t$  are simple roots. Hence all coefficients of the first summand are zero, i.e.,

$$n_1\alpha_1(h) = \ldots = n_l\alpha_l(h) = 0.$$

Further

$$\Delta\left(v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}\right) = \Delta(y) = \left[v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}, a_x\right] + \lambda^{(y)}\left(v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}\right).$$

Let us calculate the product  $\left[v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}, a_x\right]$ . We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}, a_x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1^{(1)} + v_i^{(1)}, h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} c_\alpha e_\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \beta_1(h)v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + \beta_2(h)v_{\beta_2}^{(1)} + \sum_{t=1}^2 \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} (*)v_{\beta_t+\alpha}^{(1)}$$

The last summand does not contain  $v_{\beta_1}^{(1)}$  and  $v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}$ , because  $\beta_1 - \beta_i$  is not a root by the assumption. This means that

$$\Delta\left(v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}\right) = \left(\beta_1(h) + \lambda^{(y)}\right)v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + \left(\beta_i(h) + \lambda^{(y)}\right)v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}.$$
(9)

The difference of the coefficients of the right side is

$$\beta_1(h) - \beta_i(h) = \sum_{s=1}^l n_s \alpha_s(h) = 0,$$

because of  $n_1\alpha_1(h) = \ldots = n_l\alpha_l(h) = 0$ . Finally, comparing coefficients in (8) and (9) we get

$$\lambda_1 = \beta_1(h) + \lambda^{(y)} = \beta_i(h) + \lambda^{(y)} = \lambda_i$$

**Case 2.**  $\alpha_0 = n_1 \alpha_1 + \ldots + n_l \alpha_l$  is a root. Note that dim  $\mathcal{V}_{\beta_1} = 1$ , because  $\beta_1$  is a highest weight. Since  $\beta_1 - \beta_i$  is a root, [21, Lemma 3.2.9] implies that dim  $\mathcal{V}_{1,\beta_i} = \dim \mathcal{V}_{1,\beta_1}$ , and hence there exist numbers  $t_{-\alpha_0} \neq 0$  and  $t_{\alpha_0}$  such that

$$\left[v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}, e_{-\alpha_{0}}\right] = t_{-\alpha_{0}}v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, \left[v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, e_{\alpha_{0}}\right] = t_{\alpha_{0}}v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}.$$

Take the following element

$$z = t_{-\alpha_0} e_{\alpha_0} + t_{\alpha_0} e_{-\alpha_0} + v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)},$$

and choose an element  $a_z = h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} c_\alpha e_\alpha \in S$  and a number  $\lambda_z$  such that

$$\Delta(z) = [z, a_z] + \lambda_z \left( v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)} \right).$$

Since  $\Delta(z) \in \mathcal{V}$ , we obtain that

$$\left[t_{-\alpha_0}e_{\alpha_0} + t_{\alpha_0}e_{-\alpha_0}, h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} c_\alpha e_\alpha\right] = 0$$

Now rewrite the last equality as

$$\alpha_0(h)t_{-\alpha_0}e_{\alpha_0} - \alpha_0(h)t_{\alpha_0}e_{-\alpha_0} + (t_{-\alpha_0}c_{-\alpha_0} - t_{\alpha_0}c_{\alpha_0})h_{\alpha_0} + \sum_{\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_0} (*)e_{\alpha \pm \alpha_0} = 0$$

where  $h_{\alpha_0} = [e_{\alpha_0}, e_{-\alpha_0}] \in \mathcal{H}$ . The last summand in the sum does not contain elements  $e_{\alpha_0}$  and  $e_{-\alpha_0}$ . Indeed, if we assume that  $\alpha_0 = \alpha - \alpha_0$ , we have that  $\alpha = 2\alpha_0$ . But  $2\alpha_0$  is not a root. Hence the first three coefficients of this sum are zero, i.e.,

$$\alpha_0(h) = 0, \ t_{\alpha_0} c_{\alpha_0} = t_{-\alpha_0} c_{-\alpha_0}. \tag{10}$$

Further

$$\Delta\left(v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}\right) = \Delta(z) = \left[v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}, a_z\right] + \lambda_z\left(v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}\right).$$

Let us consider the element  $\left[v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}, a_z\right]$ . We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, a_{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, h + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} c_{\alpha} e_{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}, h \end{bmatrix} + c_{\alpha_{0}} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, e_{\alpha_{0}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, h \end{bmatrix}$$
$$+ c_{-\alpha_{0}} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}, e_{-\alpha_{0}} \end{bmatrix} + c_{\alpha_{0}} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}, e_{\alpha_{0}} \end{bmatrix} + c_{-\alpha_{0}} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, e_{-\alpha_{0}} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$+ \sum_{\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_{0}} c_{\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)}, e_{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_{0}} c_{\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}, e_{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= (\beta_{1}(h) + t_{\alpha_{0}}c_{\alpha_{0}})v_{\beta_{1}}^{(1)} + (\beta_{i}(h) + t_{-\alpha_{0}}c_{-\alpha_{0}})v_{\beta_{i}}^{(1)}$$
$$+ (*)v_{2\beta_{1}-\beta_{i}}^{(1)} + (*)v_{2\beta_{i}-\beta_{1}}^{(1)}$$
$$+ \sum_{\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_{0}} (*)v_{\beta_{1}+\alpha}^{(1)} + \sum_{\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_{0}} (*)v_{\beta_{i}+\alpha}^{(1)}.$$

The last three summands do not contain  $v_{\beta_1}^{(1)}$  and  $v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}$ , because  $\beta_1 - \beta_i = \alpha_0$  and  $\alpha \neq \pm \alpha_0$ . This means that

$$\Delta \left( v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + v_{\beta_i}^{(1)} \right) = (\beta_1(h) + t_{\alpha_0} c_{\alpha_0} + \lambda_z) v_{\beta_1}^{(1)} + (\beta_i(h) + t_{-\alpha_0} c_{-\alpha_0} + \lambda_z) v_{\beta_i}^{(1)}.$$
(11)

Taking into account (10) we find the difference of coefficients on the right side:

$$(\beta_1(h) + t_{\alpha_0}c_{\alpha_0}) - (\beta_i(h) + t_{-\alpha_0}c_{-\alpha_0}) = \alpha_0(h) + t_{\alpha_0}c_{\alpha_0} - t_{-\alpha_0}c_{-\alpha_0} = 0.$$

Combining (8) and (11) we obtain that

$$\lambda_1 = \beta_1(h) + t_{\alpha_0}c_{\alpha_0} + \lambda_z = \beta_i(h) + t_{-\alpha_0}c_{-\alpha_0} + \lambda_z = \lambda_i$$

So, we have proved that  $\Delta\left(v_i^{(1)}\right) = \lambda_1 v_i^{(1)}$  for all  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ . By a similar way we obtain that  $\Delta\left(v_i^{(k)}\right) = \lambda_k v_i^{(k)}$  for all  $i = 1, \ldots, n_k$ . Thus  $\Delta = \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k \pi_{k,k}$ , and therefore  $\Delta$  is a derivation.

The proof is completed.

**Proof of Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\Delta$  be an arbitrary local derivation on  $\mathcal{L}$ . For an arbitrary element  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  take a derivation  $\mathfrak{D} = R_{a_x} + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{S}}} \varpi_k^{(x)} \theta_k^{(x)} + \sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}} \lambda_{i,j}^{(x)} \pi_{i,j}^{(x)}$  of the form (2)

such that

$$\Delta(x) = [x, a_x] + \sum_{k \in \Gamma_S} \omega_{x,k}^{(x)} \theta_k^{(x)}(x).$$

Then the mapping

$$x \in \mathcal{S} \to [x, a_x] \in \mathcal{S}$$

is a well-defined local derivation on  $\mathcal{S}$ , and by [6, Theorem 3.1] it is a derivation generated by an element  $a \in \mathcal{S}$ . Then the local derivation  $\Delta - R_{a_x}$  maps  $\mathcal{L}$  into  $\mathcal{V}$ . By Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3 we get that  $\Delta - R_{a_x}$  is a derivation and therefore  $\Delta$  is also a derivation. The proof is completed.

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