

## THE CENTRALIZER OF $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$ IN THE GENERALIZED WITT LIE SUPERALGEBRA OVER FIELDS OF PRIME CHARACTERISTIC

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**ABSTRACT.** This paper considers centralizers of the Lie superalgebra  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  over prime characteristic fields. Using homological methods, the centralizers of the even and odd parts of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in the generalized Witt Lie superalgebra are calculated and a summary of their structural properties is provided.

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### 1. Introduction

The Lie superalgebra (see [1]) is a generalization of Lie algebras and an important part of the Lie theory. It not only occupies a very important position in mathematics, but also has general applications in modern physics. In theoretical physics, the Lie superalgebra is a Lie algebra with  $Z_2$ -graded which can be used to study supersymmetric phenomena (see [2],[9]). In addition, the deformation theory of the universal enveloping algebra in the Lie superalgebra makes a significant contribution to the study of quantum supergroup theory in physics.

At present, the study of non-modular Lie superalgebra has achieved quite systematic results (see [11]). However, there is still a lot of research space for modular Lie superalgebras (see [14],[15]). We know that centralizers play an important role in the study of group structure (see [4],[5]) and the Lie superalgebra is a linearized object of the Lie supergroup, so it also has centralizers. In the literature [6],[8],[13], the centralizers of  $\mathfrak{gl}(0, 3)$ ,  $\mathfrak{gl}(m, n)$ ,  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, 3)$  in the generalized Witt Lie superalgebras are studied respectively.

Since the Lie superalgebra can be represented by an adjoint representation, it can be considered a natural module of its subalgebra. Therefore, the centralizer

can be equivalently regarded as a zero cohomology group (see [10],[12]). This paper is inspired by references (see [6],[7]) and we use homological methods to discuss the centralizers of Lie superalgebras in the generalized Witt Lie superalgebra  $W$ . We believe that our findings contribute significantly to the understanding of non-modular Lie superalgebras and have implications for the study of supersymmetric phenomena in modern physics.

**2. Preliminary**

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a field of prime characteristic,  $Y_0 = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ ,  $Y_1 = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\mathbb{B}_k = \{ \langle i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k \rangle \mid 1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n \},$$

$\mathbb{B} = \bigcup_{k=0}^n \mathbb{B}_k$ . The structure of the generalized Witt Lie superalgebra over a prime characteristic field is as follows (see [3]):

$$W = w \oplus \omega,$$

where

$$w = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\pi+n} w_i = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\pi+n} \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} \xi^u D_k \mid |\alpha| + |u| = i, \alpha \in \mathbb{A}(m, n, \underline{t}), u \in \mathbb{B}, k \in Y_0 \right\},$$

$$\omega = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\pi+n} \omega_j = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\pi+n} \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} \xi^u d_b \mid |\alpha| + |u| = j, \alpha \in \mathbb{A}(m, n, \underline{t}), u \in \mathbb{B}, b \in Y_1 \right\}.$$

The canonical basis of the Lie superalgebra  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  is  $\{ \xi_q d_v, \xi_i d_i - \xi_{i+1} d_{i+1} \}$ , where  $q, v \in Y_1, q \neq v, i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ .

**Definition 2.1.** In a Lie algebra  $L$  and the  $L$ -module  $A$  if

$$\dots \rightarrow C^{n-1}(L, A) \xrightarrow{\delta_{n-1}} C^n(L, A) \xrightarrow{\delta_n} C^{n+1}(L, A) \rightarrow \dots$$

(where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the angle code increases as the arrow progresses.) satisfies:

$$\delta_n \delta_{n-1} = 0 \ (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}); \ \delta_0(a)(x) = x.a \ (\forall x \in L, \forall a \in A),$$

where the  $L$ -module homomorphism  $\delta_n \ (\forall n \in \mathbb{N})$  is the coboundary operator, then this chain is said to be a cochain.

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $L$  be a Lie superalgebra,  $A$  be an  $L$ -module,

$$H^n(L, A) = \text{Ker} \delta_n / (\text{Im} \delta_{n-1})$$

is called an  $n$ -dimensional cohomology of  $L$  with the coefficient in its module  $A$ .

According to the definition, the following lemmas are clearly stated.

**Lemma 2.3.** For all  $L$ -module  $A$ , the centralizers of  $L$  in  $A$  is

$$C_A(L) = H^0(L, A) = \{a \in A \mid x \cdot a = 0, x \in L\}.$$

**Lemma 2.4.** Suppose that  $A$  is an  $L$ -module and  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are submodules of  $A$  such that  $A = A_1 \oplus A_2 \oplus \dots \oplus A_k$ . Then

$$H^n(L, A) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k (L, A_i), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

### 3. The centralizer $C_W(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n))$

Firstly, we consider  $C_w(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n))$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $w_0$  is

$$C_{w_0}(sl(0, n)) = H^0(sl(0, n), w_0) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} D_k \mid |\alpha| = 1, k \in Y_0 \right\}.$$

**Proof.** According to  $w_0 = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \{ X^{(\alpha)} \xi^u D_k \mid |\alpha| + |u| = 1, k \in Y_0 \}$ , suppose that

$$f = \sum_{k, l \in Y_0} c_{lk} x_l D_k + \sum_{k \in Y_0} \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{jk} \xi_j D_k.$$

If  $q \neq v$ , then

$$[\xi_q d_v, f] = \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{vk} \xi_q D_k = 0.$$

If  $q = v$ , then

$$[\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_2 d_2, f] = \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{1k} \xi_1 D_k - \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{2k} \xi_2 D_k = 0,$$

$$[\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_3 d_3, f] = \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{1k} \xi_1 D_k - \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{3k} \xi_3 D_k = 0.$$

Similarly,

$$[\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_n d_n, f] = \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{1k} \xi_1 D_k - \sum_{k \in Y_0} g_{nk} \xi_n D_k = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$g_{11} = g_{12} = \dots = g_{1m} = g_{21} = g_{22} = \dots = g_{2m} = \dots = g_{n1} = \dots = g_{nm} = 0,$$

as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $w_1$  is

$$C_{w_1}(sl(0, n)) = H^0(sl(0, n), w_1) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} D_k \mid |\alpha| = 2, k \in Y_0 \right\}.$$

**Proof.** Suppose that

$$f = \sum_{k,l,p \in Y_0} c_{lpk} x_l x_p D_k + \sum_{k,l \in Y_0} \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{ilk} \xi_j x_l D_k + \sum_{k \in Y_0} \sum_{i,j \in Y_1} h_{ijk} \xi_i \xi_j D_k.$$

It follows from  $q \neq v$  that  $[\xi_q d_v, f] = 0$ . If  $q = v$ , then  $[\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_t d_t, f] = 0$ ,  $t = 1, \dots, n$ . By calculating the coefficients, the conclusion is proved.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $w_i$  is*

$$C_{w_i}(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)) = H^0(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n), w_i) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} D_k \mid |\alpha| = i + 1, k \in Y_0 \right\}.$$

**Proof.** According to induction, drawing conclusions is straightforward.  $\square$

From Proposition 3.3 and Lemma 2.4, it follows that:

**Theorem 3.4.** *The centralizers of Lie superalgebras in  $w$  is*

$$C_w(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)) = H^0(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n), w) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} D_k \mid \alpha \in A(m, t), k \in Y_0 \right\}.$$

Next, we will investigate  $C_w(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n))$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $\omega_0$  is*

$$C_{\omega_0}(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)) = H^0(\mathfrak{sl}(0, n), \omega_0) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \{ \xi_b d_b \mid b \in Y_1 \}.$$

**Proof.** According to  $\omega_0 = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \{ X^{(\alpha)} \xi^u d_b \mid |\alpha| + |u| = 1, b \in Y_1 \}$ , suppose that

$$f = \sum_{b \in Y_1} \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{lb} x_l d_b + \sum_{b,j \in Y_1} g_{jb} \xi_j d_b.$$

If  $q \neq v$ , then

$$[\xi_q d_v, f] = \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{vb} \xi_q d_b - \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{jq} \xi_j d_v + \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{lq} x_l d_v = 0.$$

If  $q = v$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} [\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_2 d_2, f] &= \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{1b} \xi_1 d_b - \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{2b} \xi_2 d_b + \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{j2} \xi_j d_2 \\ &\quad - \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{j1} \xi_j d_1 + \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{l2} x_l d_2 - \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{l1} x_l d_1 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_3 d_3, f] &= \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{1b} \xi_1 d_b - \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{3b} \xi_3 d_b + \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{j3} \xi_j d_3 \\ &\quad - \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{j1} \xi_j d_1 + \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{l3} x_l d_3 - \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{l1} x_l d_1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} [\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_n d_n, f] &= \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{1b} \xi_1 d_b - \sum_{b \in Y_1} g_{nb} \xi_n d_b + \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{jn} \xi_j d_n \\ &\quad - \sum_{j \in Y_1} g_{j1} \xi_j d_1 + \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{nl} x_l d_n - \sum_{l \in Y_0} c_{l1} x_l d_1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $c_{ij} = 0$ ,  $g_{ij} = 0$ ,  $i, j \in Y_1$  if  $i \neq j$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.6.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $\omega_1$  is*

$$C_{\omega_1}(sl(0, n)) = H^0(sl(0, n), \omega_1) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} \xi^{u-\langle b \rangle} \xi_b d_b \mid |\alpha| + |u - \langle b \rangle| = 1, b \in Y_1 \right\}.$$

**Proof.** Suppose that

$$f = \sum_{b \in Y_1} \sum_{l, p \in Y_0} c_{lpb} x_l x_p d_b + \sum_{b, j \in Y_1} \sum_{l \in Y_0} g_{jlb} \xi_j x_l d_b + \sum_{b, i, j \in Y_1} h_{ijb} \xi_i \xi_j d_b.$$

It follows from  $q \neq v$  that  $[\xi_q d_v, f] = 0$ . If  $q = v$ , then  $[\xi_1 d_1 - \xi_t d_t, f] = 0$ ,  $t = 1, \dots, n$ . By calculating the coefficients, the conclusion is proved.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.7.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $\omega_i$  is*

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\omega_i}(sl(0, n)) &= H^0(sl(0, n), \omega_i) \\ &= \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} \xi^{u-\langle b \rangle} \xi_b d_b \mid |\alpha| + |u - \langle b \rangle| = i + 1, b \in Y_1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** According to induction, drawing conclusions is straightforward.  $\square$

From Proposition 3.7 and Lemma 2.4, it follows that:

**Theorem 3.8.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $\omega$  is*

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\omega}(sl(0, n)) &= H^0(sl(0, n), \omega) \\ &= \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} \xi^{u-\langle b \rangle} \xi_b d_b \mid 0 \leq |\alpha| + |u - \langle b \rangle| \leq \pi + n - 1, b \in Y_1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

From Theorem 3.4, Theorem 3.8 and Lemma 2.4, it follows that:

**Theorem 3.9.** *The centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in  $W$  is*

$$\begin{aligned} C_W(sl(0, n)) &= H^0(sl(0, n), W) = H^0(sl(0, n), w) \oplus H^0(sl(0, n), \omega) \\ &= \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}} \left\{ x^{(\alpha)} D_k, x^{(\alpha)} \xi^{u-\langle b \rangle} \xi_b d_b \right\}, \\ &\text{where } \alpha \in A(m, t), 0 \leq |\alpha| + |u| \leq \pi + n - 1, k \in Y_0, b \in Y_1. \end{aligned}$$

The conclusion gives the centralizers of  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$  in the generalized Witt Lie superalgebra  $W$ . This contributes to the study of the structure of the Lie superalgebra  $\mathfrak{sl}(0, n)$ .

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