

On linear Lie algebras I.

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Introduction

Let $\mathfrak{gl}(R^n)$ be the set of all linear transformations X of an n -dimensional linear space R^n over the field of real numbers, equipped with the ordinary law of addition $X+X'$ and the law of composition $[X, Y]=XY-YX$. The purpose of the present paper, which is considered as the first of the series of papers pursuing the same purpose, is to deal with a method of studying some properties of r -dimensional subalgebras \mathfrak{g} of this general linear Lie algebra $\mathfrak{gl}(R^n)$.

If we take a base S composed of a set of n linearly independent vectors e_λ ($\lambda=1, \dots, n$) of R^n , then a subalgebra \mathfrak{g} is represented by an r -dimensional linear subspace in an n^2 -dimensional linear space spanned by all matrices of degree n . This subspace will be denoted by $\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$, or by \mathfrak{R} if there is no possibility of confusion. If we take another base $\tilde{S}(\tilde{e}_\lambda)$ such that

$$\tilde{S}=AS, \quad \tilde{e}_\lambda=A^\alpha_\lambda e_\alpha,$$

then a matrix K of \mathfrak{R} representing an element of \mathfrak{g} is transformed into $\tilde{K}=A^{-1}KA$. This fact will be denoted by

$$\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{g}, AS)=A^{-1}\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{g}, S)A.$$

The set of matrices $(V^\lambda_{\cdot\mu})$ where $V^\lambda_{\cdot\mu}$ satisfy

$$K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu} V^\mu_{\cdot\lambda}=0$$

for all matrices $(K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu})$ of \mathfrak{R} spans an (n^2-r) -dimensional linear subspace in an n^2 -dimensional linear space spanned by all matrices of degree n . This subspace will be denoted by $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$ or by \mathfrak{B} for short. The law of transformation is

$$\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, AS)=A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, S)A.$$

\mathfrak{B} may be considered to represent a set of transformations of R^n which will be denoted by $\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{g})$ or by \mathfrak{t} for short.

If we take a suitable base S in R^n and moreover, if we take a suitable base M in $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$

$$M: \underset{A}{V} \quad (A=1, \dots, m; m=n^2-r),$$

then the matrices (V_A^λ) take special forms as shown in Theorem 1 (§6). In §7, we shall introduce the notion of *d series* which will play an important role in our studies, in which we shall be able to find out all subalgebras \mathfrak{g} of sufficiently large dimensions r and get some interesting properties of \mathfrak{g} of more general dimensions.

We remark here the important

LEMMA 1. *t is an invariant of \mathfrak{g} , that is, if $V \in \mathfrak{B}$ and $K \in \mathfrak{R}$, then $[K, V] \in \mathfrak{B}$.*

PROOF. For any matrices K_a^α ($a=1, \dots, r$) forming a base of \mathfrak{R} we have

$$\begin{aligned} & K_c^\lambda (K_b^\mu V_{\cdot\lambda}^\alpha - V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu K_b^\alpha) \\ &= V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu (K_c^\lambda K_b^\alpha K_{\cdot\mu}^\alpha - K_b^\lambda K_c^\alpha K_{\cdot\mu}^\alpha) = V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu K_a^\lambda C_{cb}^{\cdot\mu\alpha} = 0 \quad (b, c=1, \dots, r). \end{aligned}$$

Unless otherwise specified indices are used as follows,

$$\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \kappa = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$A, B = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$a, b, c = 1, \dots, r,$$

$$t, u, v, x, y, z = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n,$$

$$h, i, j, k, l, m = 1, \dots, n - n_1,$$

$$p, q, r, s = 2, \dots, n - n_1,$$

$$S, T, U = 1, \dots, P \text{ or } P+1,$$

$$h_T, i_T, j_T, k_T, l_T, m_T = n - n_{T-1} + 1, \dots, n - n_T,$$

$$t_T, u_T, v_T, x_T, y_T, z_T = n - n_T + 1, \dots, n.$$

We adopt the *summation convention* with respect to indices in small letters.

§1. Bases of the first order.

First consider that the base S of R^n and the base M of \mathfrak{B} are taken arbitrarily. When a non-zero vector $\mathbf{v}_1 (= v_1^\lambda \mathbf{e}_\lambda)$ of R^n is given, we get m vectors \mathbf{v}_A ($A=1, \dots, m$) of R^n whose components are $V_A^\lambda v_1^\alpha$. These span a linear subspace of R^n which will be denoted by $L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$. Of course this subspace does not depend upon the choice of S . We observe that $L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$ is spanned by n_1 vectors

$$v_x^\lambda \quad (x = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n)$$

or by $1+n_1$ vectors

$$v_1^\lambda, v_x^\lambda \quad (x = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n).$$

In both cases the $1+n_1$ vectors $v_1^\lambda, v_{n-n_1+1}^\lambda, \dots, v_n^\lambda$ are taken linearly independent. We get the first case if $\mathbf{v}_1 \notin L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$ and the second case if $\mathbf{v}_1 \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$. As the number n_1 depends upon the choice of \mathbf{v}_1 , this is denoted, if necessary, by $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1)$.

Taking $n-n_1-1$ vectors $v_2^\lambda, \dots, v_{n-n_1}^\lambda$, we can complete a set of n linearly independent vectors

$$v_\kappa^\lambda \quad (\kappa=1, \dots, n),$$

whose reciprocal set is denoted by w_μ^κ so that

$$w_\kappa^\lambda v_\mu^\kappa = \delta_\mu^\lambda.$$

Then

$$\tilde{V}_A^{\lambda \cdot \mu} = w_\alpha^\lambda V_A^{\alpha \cdot \beta} v_\mu^\beta$$

is the transformation of the matrices V of \mathfrak{B} induced by the transformation

$$\tilde{e}_\lambda = v_\lambda^\alpha e_\alpha$$

of the base S , and we find

$$\tilde{V}_A^{2 \cdot 1} = 0, \dots, \tilde{V}_A^{n-n_1 \cdot 1} = 0.$$

Moreover, the m vectors

$$\tilde{V}_A^{y \cdot 1},$$

where $y=n-n_1+1, \dots, n$ and each vector has n_1 components, span an n_1 -dimensional linear space.

Thus we find that

When a vector \mathbf{v}_1 is given, we can find $n-1$ vectors $\mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n$ such that the space $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$ where $S=S(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n)$ is spanned by the matrices V with the property

case 1:

$$(1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_A^{\lambda \cdot 1} = \varepsilon_A \delta_A^\lambda \\ \varepsilon_1 = \dots = \varepsilon_{n-n_1} = 0, \quad \varepsilon_{n-n_1+1} = \dots = \varepsilon_n = 1, \end{array} \right.$$

or

case 2:

$$(2) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_A^{\lambda \cdot 1} = \varepsilon_A \delta_A^\lambda, \\ \varepsilon_2 = \dots = \varepsilon_{n-n_1} = 0, \quad \varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_{n-n_1+1} = \dots = \varepsilon_n = 1. \end{array} \right.$$

Such a set (S, M) of vectors and matrices will be called a *base of the first order* of (R^n, \mathfrak{t}) .

The linear space spanned by all matrices V with the property $V_A^{\lambda \cdot 1} = 0$ of

\mathfrak{B} is denoted by \mathfrak{B}' . A base of the first order is not determined uniquely when S is given, for the matrices of M are only determined to within additive matrices of \mathfrak{B}' .

In short a base of the first order is a base (S, M) of (R^n, \mathfrak{t}) such that the given vector v_1 has components $(1, 0, \dots, 0)$ and the matrices of M satisfy (1) or (2).

If (S, M) and (\tilde{S}, \tilde{M}) where

$$\tilde{S} = AS, \quad \tilde{e}_\lambda = A \cdot_\lambda e_\alpha$$

are bases of the first order with the same vector v_1 , then we find

$$(3) \quad A \cdot_1^\lambda = \delta_1^\lambda, \quad A \cdot_x^i = 0 \\ (i=1, \dots, n-n_1; x=n-n_1+1, \dots, n)$$

in case 1 and

$$(4) \quad A \cdot_1^\lambda = \delta_1^\lambda, \quad A \cdot_x^q = 0 \\ (q=2, \dots, n-n_1; x=n-n_1+1, \dots, n)$$

in case 2. Conversely this is a sufficient condition that A induce a transformation of the bases of the first order with the vector $v_1(1, 0, \dots, 0)$. In case 1 \tilde{M} is obtained from M when V are replaced with $A \cdot_x^y A^{-1} V A$ and the matrices V in \mathfrak{B}' with $A^{-1} V A$. But in case 2 \tilde{M} is obtained when V_x, V are replaced with $A^{-1} V A, A \cdot_x^y A^{-1} V A - A \cdot_x^y (A^{-1}) \cdot_y A^{-1} V A$ respectively and V with $A^{-1} V A$.

Later we shall assume the vector v_1 to be such that the number n_1 takes the maximum possible value, but for the present v_1 is assumed to be given arbitrarily.

§2. Bases of the second order.

Among the bases of the first order we can choose a special one in the following manner.

1) Case 1.

In this case the matrix

$$K \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_1^\lambda \delta_\mu^{(1)}$$

1) In such a formula a superscript indicates rows and a subscript columns, so that for example $K \cdot_\mu^\lambda$ is the element of the λ -th row and of the μ -th column of the matrix $(K \cdot_\mu^\lambda)$. If there is no possibility of confusion we drop the parentheses so that such an expression often denotes not an individual element but a matrix.

is an element of \mathfrak{R} . Hence according to Lemma 1 $[\overset{1}{K}, V] \in \mathfrak{B}$ for every $V \in \mathfrak{B}$. We also get $[\overset{1}{K}, [\overset{1}{K}, V]] \in \mathfrak{B}$, and, as we have

$$[\overset{1}{K}, V]_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda} V_{\cdot\mu}^1 - V_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1$$

and

$$[\overset{1}{K}, [\overset{1}{K}, V]]_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda} V_{\cdot\mu}^1 + V_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 - 2V_{\cdot 1}^1 \delta_1^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1,$$

we find that the matrix $V_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 - V_{\cdot 1}^1 \delta_1^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1$ is an element of \mathfrak{B} . Moreover, as we have $V_{\cdot 1}^1 = 0$, we get

$$V_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 \in \mathfrak{B}.$$

Epecially, if we take a matrix V , we find $\delta_x^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 \in \mathfrak{B}$, as we have $V_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} = \delta_x^{\lambda}$. Hence the matrix

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_x^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1$$

can play the part of V in M .

Again, as we have

$$K_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 \in \mathfrak{R},$$

we get

$$[K, V]_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = -\delta_x^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1 \in \mathfrak{B}.$$

Hence the $n_1(n-n_1)$ linearly independent matrices

$$(5) \quad V_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_x^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^1$$

can form a part of a base M of \mathfrak{B} .

The subspace of \mathfrak{B} spanned by (5) is denoted by \mathfrak{B}_1 , and the subspace of \mathfrak{B} spanned by matrices with the property $V_{\cdot i}^y = 0$ is denoted by \mathfrak{B}_i . Of course the elements of the first column vanish in all matrices of \mathfrak{B}_i . \mathfrak{B}_1 and \mathfrak{B}_i span \mathfrak{B} .

If a base M is composed of the matrices (5) and an arbitrary base M_i of \mathfrak{B}_i , then the (S, M) is called a *base of the second order*.

2) Case 2.

In this case we have

$$K_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^p \in \mathfrak{R} \quad (p=2, \dots, n-n_1)$$

and we get

$$[K, V]_{\cdot\mu}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda} \delta_{\alpha}^p V_{\cdot\mu}^{\alpha} - V_{\cdot\alpha}^{\lambda} \delta_1^{\alpha} \delta_{\mu}^p,$$

hence the matrices

$$(6) \quad \overset{p}{V}_x \cdot \overset{\lambda}{\mu} = -\delta_1^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_x \cdot \overset{p}{\mu} + \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^p$$

lie in \mathfrak{B} if for example

$$\overset{1}{V}_x = V_x.$$

It is also evident that (6) lie in \mathfrak{B}' . But, as we have

$$\overset{p}{V}_x \cdot \overset{q}{\mu} = 0 \quad (q=2, \dots, n-n_1),$$

we obtain the same matrices $\overset{p}{V}_x$ if we put

$$\overset{1}{V}_x = V_x + \lambda_{xq}^y \overset{q}{V}_y \quad (y=n-n_1+1, \dots, n)$$

in (6). Especially, if we put $\lambda_{xq}^y = -V_x \cdot \overset{y}{q}$, we get

$$\overset{1}{V}_x \cdot \overset{y}{p} = 0,$$

hence we consider hereafter that $\overset{1}{V}_x$ satisfy

$$(7) \quad \overset{1}{V}_x \cdot \overset{\lambda}{1} = \delta_x^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_x \cdot \overset{y}{p} = 0.$$

We also obtain a matrix $\overset{1}{V}_1$ such that

$$(8) \quad \overset{1}{V}_1 \cdot \overset{\lambda}{1} = \delta_1^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_1 \cdot \overset{y}{p} = 0$$

by adding to V some linear combination of (6).

The subspace of \mathfrak{B} spanned by the $1+n_1(n-n_1)$ linearly independent matrices $\overset{1}{V}_1, \overset{i}{V}_x$ obtained above will be called \mathfrak{B}_1 . The subspace of \mathfrak{B} spanned by matrices V of \mathfrak{B}' such that $V \cdot \overset{y}{p} = 0$ (hence $V \cdot \overset{y}{i} = 0$) will be called \mathfrak{B}_2 . \mathfrak{B}_1 and \mathfrak{B}_2 span \mathfrak{B} .

A base (S, M) of the first order is called a *base of the second order* if M is composed of the base of \mathfrak{B}_1 mentioned above and an arbitrary base of \mathfrak{B}_2 .

In the following only bases of the second order are used.

§ 3. Choice of the vector v_1 , (I).

Hitherto the vector v_1 was not specified. Now we consider that v_1 is such that the number $n_1(v_1)$ takes the maximum of its possible values. Then the matrices of the base of \mathfrak{B} can assume simpler forms if $n_1 \leq n-2$. Since we have two cases,

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{case 1:} & v_1 \notin L(\mathfrak{g}, v_1), \\ \text{case 2:} & v_1 \in L(\mathfrak{g}, v_1), \end{array}$$

case 1 is studied at first.

Although we have $\mathbf{v}_1 \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$, we do not know whether we have $\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v})$ or not for an arbitrary vector \mathbf{v} . But, as we know that $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1)$, or n_1 for short, is not less than $n_1(\mathbf{v})$ for any vector \mathbf{v} , the number of linearly independent vectors in the set of vectors

$$(9) \quad v^\lambda, \quad V_{\cdot\alpha}^\lambda v^\alpha$$

is no more than n_1+1 .

On the other hand we have

$$V_{\cdot\alpha}^{\lambda i} v^\alpha = \delta_x^\lambda v^i,$$

hence the number of linearly independent vectors in

$$v^\lambda, \quad v^i \delta_x^\lambda, \quad V_{\cdot\alpha}^\lambda v^\alpha$$

is no more than n_1+1 for any matrix V in \mathfrak{B}_i . Consequently $V_{\cdot\alpha}^\lambda v^\alpha$ is a linear combination of v^λ and δ_x^λ , and in particular we obtain

$$(10) \quad V_{\cdot\alpha}^i v^\alpha \propto v^i,$$

where \propto means "proportional to".

If $n-n_1=1$, we get no relation.

If $n-n_1 \geq 2$, we get $V_{\cdot x}^i=0$ and $V_{\cdot j}^i \propto \delta_j^i$. But since $V_{\cdot 1}^i=0$ for any matrix V of \mathfrak{B}_i , we find that $V_{\cdot j}^i=0$. Thus we obtain the result,

If $n_1 \leq n-2$, every matrices V in \mathfrak{B}_i have the form

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x.$$

If $n_1=n-1$, such deduction fails. But we can divide \mathfrak{B}_i into two subspaces \mathfrak{B}_i' and \mathfrak{B}_i'' , such that the matrices of \mathfrak{B}_i' have the form

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x,$$

while the matrices of \mathfrak{B}_i'' have the form

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda = \delta_1^\lambda V_{\cdot x}^1 \delta_\mu^x.$$

These matrices are obtained from matrices V of \mathfrak{B}_i by considering $V - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & V \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & V \end{bmatrix}$.

§ 4. Choice of the vector \mathbf{v}_1 , (II).

We now consider the case of $\mathbf{v}_1 \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$ and assume $n-n_1 \geq 2$.

1) As we have $n_1 = n_1(\mathbf{v}_1) \geq n_1(\mathbf{v})$, the number of linearly independent vectors among (9) is no more than n_1+1 . Since the components of the

vectors $\overset{p}{V}_x^\lambda \cdot \alpha v^\alpha$ are for $\lambda=1, q, y$

$$-\overset{1}{V}_x^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha, \quad 0, \quad \delta_x^y v^p$$

by virtue of (6), we find that the rank of the matrix of degree n_1+2

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \overbrace{n_1 \text{ columns } (x=n-n_1+1, \dots, n)} \\ v^1 & \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & -\overset{1}{V}_x^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \\ v^q & \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & 0 \\ v^y & \overset{1}{V}_z^y \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & \delta_x^y v^p \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{ccc} & & \overbrace{n_1 \text{ columns } (x=n-n_1+1, \dots, n)} \right\} n_1 \text{ rows } (y=n-n_1+1, \dots, n),$$

where p, q, z are arbitrary within $p, q=2, \dots, n-n_1$ and $z=n-n_1+1, \dots, n$, is at most n_1+1 . We thus obtain

$$(11) \quad v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha - v^p v^q \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot \alpha v^\alpha - v^q \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \overset{1}{V}_z^t \cdot \beta v^\beta + \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot \beta v^\beta v^t = 0.$$

As this must be fulfilled for an arbitrary vector v^λ , we get by picking up the terms involving $v^p v^q v^r$

$$(12) \quad \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot r = 0,$$

for we have (7).

Then (11) becomes

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} & v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot r v^r + v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot t v^t - v^p v^q \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot t v^t \\ & - v^q (\overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot r v^r + \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot u v^u) (\delta_z^t v^1 + \overset{1}{V}_z^t \cdot v v^v) \\ & + (\overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot r v^r + \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot u v^u) (\overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot s v^s + \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot v v^v) v^t = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and we get from the terms involving v^1

$$\begin{aligned} v^p \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot r v^r - v^q \overset{1}{V}_z^p \cdot r v^r &= 0, \\ v^p \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot t v^t - v^q \overset{1}{V}_z^p \cdot t v^t &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

If $n-n_1=2$, these give no relation. If $n-n_1 \leq 3$, we get

$$(14) \quad \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot p \propto \delta_p^q, \quad \overset{1}{V}_z^p \cdot t = 0 \quad (n-n_1 \geq 3).$$

In (13)

$$\overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot u v^u \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot v v^v v^t$$

is the only one term involving $v^t v^u v^v$. Since this must vanish, we get

$$(\overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_u v^u v^z)(\overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot_v v^v v^t) = 0,$$

hence

$$\overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_u v^u v^z = 0.$$

Thus we obtain

$$(15) \quad \overset{1}{V}_x^2 \cdot_y + \overset{1}{V}_y^2 \cdot_x = 0 \quad (n_1 = n - 2).$$

Now, collecting the terms involving $v^r v^s v^t$ and $v^r v^t v^u$ respectively, we get from (13)

$$(16) \quad -(\delta_r^p \delta_s^q + \delta_s^p \delta_r^q) \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot_t - \delta_s^q \overset{1}{V}_u^p \cdot_r \overset{1}{V}_z^u \cdot_t - \delta_r^q \overset{1}{V}_u^p \cdot_s \overset{1}{V}_z^u \cdot_t \\ + \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_r \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot_s + \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_s \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot_r = 0,$$

$$(17) \quad -\delta_r^q \overset{1}{V}_v^p \cdot_u \overset{1}{V}_z^v \cdot_t - \delta_r^q \overset{1}{V}_v^p \cdot_t \overset{1}{V}_z^v \cdot_u \\ + \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot_r \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_u + \overset{1}{V}_u^p \cdot_r \overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_t = 0.$$

As we have (14) for $n_1 \leq n - 3$, we can put

$$\overset{1}{V}_z^q \cdot_p = v \delta_p^q$$

for $n_1 \leq n - 2$, and (16) becomes

$$(18) \quad \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot_t + v \overset{1}{V}_u^u \cdot_z \overset{1}{V}_t^u \cdot_z - v v = 0.$$

On the other hand (17) becomes

$$(19) \quad \overset{1}{V}_v^2 \cdot_u \overset{1}{V}_z^v \cdot_t + \overset{1}{V}_v^2 \cdot_t \overset{1}{V}_z^v \cdot_u - v \overset{1}{V}_t^2 \cdot_u - v \overset{1}{V}_u^2 \cdot_t = 0$$

for $n_1 = n - 2$, but for $n_1 \leq n - 3$ (17) is fulfilled already by virtue of (14).

The results obtained, (7), (12), (14), (15), (18), (19), are arranged as follows

$$(20) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \overset{1}{V}_z^\lambda \cdot_1 = \delta_z^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_z^\lambda \cdot_p = v \delta_p^\lambda & (n_1 \leq n - 2), \\ \overset{1}{V}_z^1 \cdot_x = v v - v \overset{1}{V}_{xz}^t \cdot_z & (n_1 \leq n - 2), \\ \overset{1}{V}_t^2 \cdot_x \overset{1}{V}_z^t \cdot_y + \overset{1}{V}_t^2 \cdot_y \overset{1}{V}_z^t \cdot_x = v \overset{1}{V}_{xz}^2 \cdot_y + v \overset{1}{V}_{yz}^2 \cdot_x & (n_1 = n - 2), \\ \overset{1}{V}_x^2 \cdot_y + \overset{1}{V}_y^2 \cdot_x = 0 & (n_1 = n - 2), \\ \overset{1}{V}_x^p \cdot_\mu = v \delta_\mu^p & (n_1 \leq n - 3). \end{array} \right.$$

2) Let us study the matrix $\overset{1}{V}_1$. We obtain the matrix of degree n_1+2

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \overbrace{\hspace{10em}}^{n_1 \text{ columns}} \\ v^1 & \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & - \overset{1}{V}_x^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \\ v^q & \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & 0 \\ v^y & \overset{1}{V}_1^y \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & \delta_x^y v^p \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{ccc} & & \overbrace{\hspace{10em}}^{n_1 \text{ columns}} \\ v^1 & \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & - \overset{1}{V}_x^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \\ v^q & \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & 0 \\ v^y & \overset{1}{V}_1^y \cdot \alpha v^\alpha & \delta_x^y v^p \end{array}} \right\} n_1 \text{ rows}$$

and, as the determinant must vanish, we get

$$v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha - v^p v^q \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot \alpha v^\alpha - v^q \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \overset{1}{V}_1^t \cdot \beta v^\beta + \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot \alpha v^\alpha \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot \beta v^\beta v^t = 0,$$

which becomes by virtue of (8) and (14) or (15)

$$\begin{aligned} & v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot r v^r + v^1 v^p \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot t v^t \\ & - v^p v^q v^1 - v^p v^q \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot r v^r - v^p v^q \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot t v^t \\ & - v^q (\overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot r v^r + \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot u v^u) \overset{1}{V}_1^t \cdot v v^v \\ & + (\overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot r v^r + \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot u v^u) \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot v^s v^t = 0. \end{aligned}$$

From the terms involving v^1 we get

$$\overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot r = \delta_r^q, \quad \overset{1}{V}_1^q \cdot t = 0,$$

and from the only one term involving $v^p v^q v^r$ we get

$$\overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot r = 0.$$

Then making use of (20) and the result just obtained, we get by collecting the terms involving $v^p v^q v^t$

$$- \overset{1}{V}_1^1 \cdot t - v \overset{1}{V}_y^1 \cdot t + v = 0.$$

The remaining terms are

$$- v^q \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot u v^u \overset{1}{V}_1^t \cdot v v^v$$

from which we get

$$\overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot x \overset{1}{V}_1^t \cdot y + \overset{1}{V}_t^p \cdot y \overset{1}{V}_1^t \cdot x = 0.$$

This is already fulfilled if $n_1 \leq n-3$ as we have (14).

The results obtained are arranged as follows.

$$(21) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda}, \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot p}^{\lambda} = \delta_p^{\lambda} \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \mu}^{\alpha} = \delta_{\mu}^{\alpha} \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^1 = v_x - v_t \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^t \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^t + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^t = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (n_1 \leq n-2), \\ (n_1 \leq n-2), \\ (n_1 \leq n-2), \\ (n_1 = n-2). \end{array}$$

3) If we effect a transformation of the base of R^n ,

$$\hat{S} = AS, \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_{\lambda} = A^{\alpha}_{\cdot \lambda} e_{\alpha}$$

where

$$A^{\lambda}_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_{\mu}^{\lambda} - \delta_1^{\lambda} v_x \delta_{\mu}^x,$$

$$(A^{-1})^{\lambda}_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_{\mu}^{\lambda} + \delta_1^{\lambda} v_x \delta_{\mu}^x,$$

then the components of v_1 remain unchanged, for $\tilde{\epsilon}_1 = e_1$. Each matrix V of \mathfrak{B} is transformed into

$$\tilde{V} = A^{-1}VA$$

and we write

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{B}} = A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}A.$$

Then we can understand easily that the matrices

$$\overset{1}{V}'_1 = A^{-1} \overset{1}{V}_1 A, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_x = A^{-1} \overset{1}{V}_x A - v_x A^{-1} \overset{1}{V}_1 A$$

of $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$ are such that

$$(7)' \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} = \delta_1^{\lambda}, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot p}^y = 0,$$

$$(8)' \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} = \delta_x^{\lambda}, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot p}^y = 0.$$

Consequently we get relations quite similar to (20), (21), but, as we have

$$\overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot p}^z = 0$$

now, the quantities v'_z which correspond to v of (20), (21) must vanish.

This shows that, if we take a suitable base S in R^n , then we get (20), (21) with vanishing v_z . Thus we obtain

If $n_1 \leq n-3$,

$$(22) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot 1}^{\lambda} = \delta_z^{\lambda}, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot p}^{\lambda} = 0, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot \mu}^i = 0, \\ \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot j}^{\lambda} = \delta_j^{\lambda}, \quad \overset{1}{V}'_{\cdot \mu}^i = \delta_{\mu}^i. \end{array} \right.$$

If $n_1 = n - 2$,

$$(23) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot 1}^\lambda = \delta_z^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot 2}^\lambda = 0, \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = 0, \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot j}^\lambda = \delta_j^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \mu}^i = \delta_\mu^i, \end{array} \right.$$

$$(24) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^t + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^t = 0, \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^t + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^t = 0, \\ \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 = 0. \end{array} \right.$$

In the following we use only such bases S.

4) Let us consider the matrices V of \mathfrak{B}_i .

Then we get

$$v^1 v^p V_{\cdot \alpha}^q v^\alpha - v^p v^q V_{\cdot \alpha}^1 v^\alpha - v^q \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \alpha}^p v^\alpha V_{\cdot \beta}^t v^\beta + V_{\cdot \alpha}^q v^\alpha \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \beta}^p v^\beta v^t = 0,$$

and, as we have $V_{\cdot 1}^\lambda = 0$, $v^1 v^p V_{\cdot \alpha}^q v^\alpha$ are the only terms involving v^1 . Hence we get $V_{\cdot \mu}^q = 0$, and from the remaining terms we obtain

$$-v^p v^q V_{\cdot r}^1 v^r - v^p v^q V_{\cdot t}^1 v^t - v^q \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot u}^p v^u (V_{\cdot r}^t v^r + V_{\cdot v}^t v^v) = 0$$

by virtue of (22) or (23). Since we have $V_{\cdot r}^t = 0$ as stated in § 2, we get, if $n_1 = n - 2$,

$$V_{\cdot r}^1 = 0, \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 V_{\cdot y}^t + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 V_{\cdot x}^t = 0, \quad V_{\cdot x}^1 = 0$$

and, if $n_1 \leq n - 3$,

$$V_{\cdot r}^1 = 0, \quad V_{\cdot x}^1 = 0.$$

We can summarize the result as

$$(25) \quad V_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x \quad (n_1 \leq n - 2),$$

$$(26) \quad \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot x}^2 V_{\cdot y}^t + \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot y}^2 V_{\cdot x}^t = 0 \quad (n_1 = n - 2).$$

5) Thus we find that for all matrices V in \mathfrak{B} we have $V_{\cdot 2}^1 = 0$ as long as $n_1 \leq n - 2$. Hence the matrix

$$K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = \delta_2^\lambda \delta_\mu^1$$

lies in \mathfrak{K} , and, as we get

$$[K, \overset{2}{V}]_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = \delta_2^\lambda \overset{2}{V}_{\cdot x}^1 - \overset{2}{V}_{\cdot 2}^\lambda \delta_\mu^1 = -\delta_2^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot \mu}^2 + (\delta_1^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_{\cdot 2}^2 - \delta_x^\lambda) \delta_\mu^1$$

and

$$\overset{1}{V}_x^2 = 0,$$

the matrix

$$\delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^1 + \delta_2^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_x^2 \cdot_\mu$$

lies in \mathfrak{B} . We can choose this for $\overset{1}{V}_x$,

$$\overset{1}{V}_x \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^1 + \delta_2^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_x^2 \cdot_\mu.$$

If $n_1 \leq n-3$, we get

$$\overset{1}{V}_x \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^1.$$

6) If $n_1 = n-1$, such deduction fails.

§ 5. Bases of the third order, resumé of the first step.

In foregoing paragraphs we obtained a base $S(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n)$ of R^n such that $n_1(n-n_1)$ or $n_1(n-n_1)+1$ matrices with special property compose a base M_1 of \mathfrak{B}_1 and $m-n_1(n-n_1)$ or $m-n_1(n-n_1)-1$ matrices with the property

$$V \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V^y \cdot_x \delta_\mu^x$$

compose a base M_1 of \mathfrak{B}_1 , by assuming that \mathbf{v}_1 satisfies the inequality $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1) \geq n_1(\mathbf{v})$ for all vectors \mathbf{v} of R^n . The only one exceptional case is the case of $n_1 = n-1$.

The results obtained are resummed as follows.

We can find a base (S, M) such that M is composed of the base M_1 of \mathfrak{B}_1 and the base M_1 of \mathfrak{B}_1 mentioned below.

(i) case 1, $n_1 = n-1$

$$M_1 : \overset{1}{V}_x \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^1,$$

$$M_1 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_1' : \text{some matrices } V \text{ with the property} \\ \qquad V \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V^y \cdot_x \delta_\mu^x, \\ M_1'' : \text{some matrices } V \text{ with the property} \\ \qquad V \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_1^\lambda V^1 \cdot_x \delta_\mu^x, \end{array} \right.$$

(ii) case 1, $n_1 \leq n-2$

$$M_1 : \overset{i}{V}_x \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^i,$$

M_1 : some matrices V with the property

$$V \cdot_\mu^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda V^y \cdot_x \delta_\mu^x,$$

(iii) case 2, $n_1 = n - 1$

M_1 : n matrices $\overset{1}{V}_\kappa$ with the property

$$\overset{1}{V}_\kappa^\lambda = \delta_\kappa^\lambda,$$

M_1 : some matrices V with the property

$$V^\lambda_{\cdot 1} = 0,$$

(iv) case 2, $n_1 = n - 2$

M_1 : a matrix $\overset{1}{V}_1$ with the property

$$\overset{1}{V}_1^\lambda_{\cdot j} = \delta_j^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_1^i_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_\mu^i,$$

n_1 matrices $\overset{1}{V}_x$ with the property

$$\overset{1}{V}_x^\lambda_{\cdot j} = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_j^1, \quad \overset{1}{V}_x^\lambda_{\cdot y} = \delta_2^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_x^2_{\cdot y},$$

n_1 matrices $\overset{2}{V}_x$ with the property

$$\overset{2}{V}_x^\lambda_{\cdot j} = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_j^2, \quad \overset{2}{V}_x^\lambda_{\cdot y} = -\delta_1^\lambda \overset{1}{V}_x^2_{\cdot y},$$

M_1 : some matrices V with the property

$$V^\lambda_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_y^\lambda V^y_{\cdot x} \delta_\mu^x,$$

where

$$\overset{1}{V}_x^2_{\cdot y} + \overset{1}{V}_y^2_{\cdot x} = 0,$$

$$\overset{1}{V}_t^2_{\cdot x} \overset{1}{V}_1^t_{\cdot y} + \overset{1}{V}_t^2_{\cdot y} \overset{1}{V}_1^t_{\cdot x} = 0,$$

$$\overset{1}{V}_t^2_{\cdot x} V^t_{\cdot y} + \overset{1}{V}_t^2_{\cdot y} V^t_{\cdot x} = 0,$$

(v) case 2, $n_1 \leq n - 3$

M_1 : a matrix $\overset{1}{V}_1$ with the property

$$\overset{1}{V}_1^\lambda_{\cdot j} = \delta_j^\lambda, \quad \overset{1}{V}_1^i_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_\mu^i,$$

matrices $\overset{i}{V}_x^\lambda_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_x^\lambda \delta_\mu^i$,

M_1 : some matrices V with the property

$$V^\lambda_{\cdot \mu} = \delta_y^\lambda V^y_{\cdot x} \delta_\mu^x.$$

Now let us assume that we have bases M_1 and M_1 with the property just mentioned without assuming $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1) \geq n_1(\mathbf{v})$. The matrices obtained by arranging the vectors v^λ and $\overset{\lambda}{V}_A^\lambda v^\alpha$ in columns are as follows where n_1 denotes $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1)$.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{(i)'} \quad \begin{array}{cccc} & \overbrace{\hspace{2cm}}^{n-1 \text{ columns}} & & \\ v^1 & 0 & 0 & V_{B''}^1 \cdot \omega^t \\ v^y & \delta_x^y v^1 & V_{B'}^y \cdot \omega^t & 0 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^1 \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n-1 \text{ rows} \\
 \text{(ii)'} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & \overbrace{\hspace{2cm}}^{n_1(n-n_1) \text{ columns}} & \\ v^k & 0 & 0 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^k \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n-n_1 \text{ rows} \\
 v^y & \delta_x^y v^i & V_{B'}^y \cdot \omega^t \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^k \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n_1 \text{ rows} \\
 \text{(iv)'} \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} & \overbrace{\hspace{2cm}}^{n-2 \text{ columns}} & \overbrace{\hspace{2cm}}^{n-2 \text{ columns}} & & \\ v^1 & v^1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{v} V^2 \cdot \omega^t & 0 \\ v^2 & v^2 & \frac{1}{u} V^2 \cdot \omega^t & 0 & 0 \\ v^y & \frac{1}{1} V^y \cdot \omega^t & \delta_u^y v^1 & \delta_v^y v^2 & V_{B'}^y \cdot \omega^t \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^1 \\ v^2 \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n-2 \text{ rows} \\
 \text{(v)'} \quad \begin{array}{cccc} & \overbrace{\hspace{2cm}}^{n_1(n-n_1) \text{ columns}} & & \\ v^1 & v^1 & 0 & 0 \\ v^a & v^a & 0 & 0 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^1 \\ v^a \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n-n_1-1 \text{ rows} \\
 v^y & \frac{1}{1} V^y \cdot \omega^t & \delta_x^y v^i & V_{B'}^y \cdot \omega^t \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} v^1 \\ v^a \\ v^y \end{array}} \right\} n_1 \text{ rows}
 \end{array}$$

The matrix (iii)' for case 2, $n_1=n-1$ is not described as it is needless. Then we find that the rank R is at most n_1+1 for any of them. For (i)' and (iii)' this is due to $n_1+1=n$. For (ii)' and (v)' this is found easily by inspection. For (iv)' this is proved as follows.

If we put

$$a_1=v^2, \quad a_2=-v^1, \quad a_x=\frac{1}{x} V^2 \cdot \omega^t,$$

then we can verify that the column vectors $v^\lambda, V_A^\lambda \cdot \omega^\alpha$ of (iv)' satisfy

$$a_\beta v^\beta=0, \quad a_\beta V_A^\beta \cdot \omega^\alpha=0$$

by making use of (24) and (26). If the vector a_μ is not zero, this proves that $R \leq n-1$, hence $R \leq n_1+1$. If $a_\mu=0$, the matrix (iv)' becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 v^y & \frac{1}{1} V^y \cdot \omega^t & 0 & 0 & V_{B'}^y \cdot \omega^t,
 \end{array}$$

hence we get $R < n_1 + 1$.

Since $n_1(\mathbf{v}) = R - 1$, we get the following result.

If a base (S, M) of the first order is such that M is composed of M_1 and M_1 formed by matrices stated in (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v), then we get $n_1(\mathbf{v}_1) \geq n_1(\mathbf{v})$.

Such a base (S, M) will be called a *base of the third order*. Decomposition of \mathfrak{B} into \mathfrak{B}_1 and \mathfrak{B}_1 now becomes significant.

If $n_1 = n - 1$, it may happen that we get, for some \mathbf{v} satisfying $n_1(\mathbf{v}) = n - 1$, $\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v})$ when $\mathbf{v}_1 \notin L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v}_1)$. This is easily found from (i)', and this means that for $n_1 = n - 1$ it is not an intrinsic property of \mathfrak{g} whether we get case 1 or case 2. On the contrary this is an intrinsic property of \mathfrak{g} if $n_1 \leq n - 2$, for we find from (ii)' that we get $\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbf{v})$ as long as we have $n_1(\mathbf{v}) = n_1$.

Thus we obtain the

LEMMA 2. *When a subalgebra \mathfrak{g} of a general linear Lie algebra $\mathfrak{gl}(R^n)$ is given, we can always find a base (S, M) of the third order which is characterized by (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v). Especially, if we get (ii), (iv), or (v), this is an intrinsic property of \mathfrak{g} .*

§ 6. Bases of order 4, complete decomposition of \mathfrak{B} .

1) Let us begin the second step.

We have found that, if (S, M) is a base of the third order, then the elements in the first $n - n_1$ columns of the matrices in \mathfrak{B}_1 are all zero, while any non-zero linear combination of matrices of M_1 has at least one non-zero element in the first $n - n_1$ columns. As we only use bases of the third order hereafter, we can consider that this property characterizes \mathfrak{B}_1 .

Now, if we take a transformation of S

$$(27) \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathbf{e}}_\lambda = A \cdot_\lambda^\alpha \mathbf{e}_\alpha, \\ A \cdot_j^\lambda = \delta_j^\lambda, \quad A \cdot_\mu^i = \delta_\mu^i, \end{cases}$$

the elements in the first $n - n_1$ columns of the matrices in $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_1A$ are all zero. On the other hand, the matrices

$$(28) \quad \tilde{M}_1(A^{-1} \overset{1}{V} A, A \cdot_x^z A^{-1} \overset{i}{V} A)$$

in $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_1A$ have the same form as the matrices $M_1(\overset{1}{V}, \overset{i}{V})$ in \mathfrak{B}_1 , hence (28) plays the same role in $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_1A$ as $M_1(\overset{1}{V}, \overset{i}{V})$ does in \mathfrak{B}_1 . Consequently a base of the third order (\tilde{S}, \tilde{M}) is obtained for $\tilde{S} = AS$ when \tilde{M} is constructed of (28) and some base \tilde{M}_1 of $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_1A$.

If we take a suitable transformation (27) and choose \tilde{M}_1 suitably, the matrices²⁾ of degree n_1 constructed of the elements $V_{\cdot x}^y$ of the matrices $(V_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ of \tilde{M}_1 take special forms. This implies that, if we take a suitable base (S, M) of the third order, the n_1 -submatrices of M_1 take special forms. This is obtained in a quite similar manner as in the first step with the use of the following lemma.

LEMMA 3. *If a matrix $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ of degree n_1 satisfies*

$$K_{\cdot x}^y V_{\cdot y}^x = 0$$

for all matrices V of \mathfrak{B}_1 , then there is a matrix $(K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ of \mathfrak{R} such that its n_1 -submatrix is the matrix $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ given above and moreover such that

$$K_{\cdot j}^y = 0.$$

PROOF. We only need to find a matrix

$$K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda K_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x + \delta_i^\lambda K_{\cdot \mu}^i$$

such that $K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu = 0$ for all matrices V of \mathfrak{B}_1 and for

$$V = \begin{matrix} 1 & & i \\ & V & \\ & & x \end{matrix}$$

If V lines in \mathfrak{B}_1 , we get

$$K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu = K_{\cdot \mu}^y V_{\cdot y}^\mu = K_{\cdot x}^y V_{\cdot y}^x = 0.$$

If $V = \begin{matrix} k \\ V \\ z \end{matrix}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu \\ z \end{matrix} &= \delta_y^\lambda K_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu \\ z \end{matrix} + \delta_i^\lambda K_{\cdot \mu}^i \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu \\ z \end{matrix} \\ &= K_{\cdot x}^y \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot y}^x \\ z \end{matrix} + K_{\cdot \mu}^i \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot \mu}^i \\ z \end{matrix} \\ &= K_{\cdot x}^y \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot y}^x \\ z \end{matrix} + K_{\cdot z}^k, \end{aligned}$$

while, if $V = \begin{matrix} 1 \\ V \\ 1 \end{matrix}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda \begin{matrix} 1 \\ V_{\cdot \lambda}^\mu \\ 1 \end{matrix} &= K_{\cdot x}^y \begin{matrix} 1 \\ V_{\cdot y}^x \\ 1 \end{matrix} + K_{\cdot \mu}^i \begin{matrix} 1 \\ V_{\cdot \mu}^i \\ 1 \end{matrix} \\ &= K_{\cdot x}^y \begin{matrix} 1 \\ V_{\cdot y}^x \\ 1 \end{matrix} + K_{\cdot i}^i. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $K \in \mathfrak{R}$ is satisfied if we put

in case 1

$$(29) \quad K_{\cdot z}^k = -K_{\cdot x}^y \begin{matrix} k \\ V_{\cdot y}^x \\ z \end{matrix} = 0,$$

2) In the following such matrices are called n_1 -submatrices for short.

in case 2

$$(30) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_{\cdot z}^k = -K_{\cdot x}^y V_z^x \cdot y, \\ K_{\cdot i}^t = -K_{\cdot x}^y V_1^x \cdot y. \end{array} \right.$$

This proves the lemma.

Conversely, if a matrix K of \mathfrak{R} satisfies $K_{\cdot j}^y = 0$, then it satisfies $K_{\cdot x}^y V_{\cdot y}^x = 0$ for all V in \mathfrak{B}_1 .

Consequently the subspace \mathfrak{R}_1 of \mathfrak{R} spanned by such matrices $(K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ can be considered to be an isomorphic representation of a subalgebra \mathfrak{g}_1 of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . The n_1 -submatrices $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ of the matrices $(K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ in \mathfrak{R}_1 span a linear subspace $\mathfrak{R}_{(1)}$ in an n_1^2 -dimensional linear space spanned by all matrices of degree n_1 . $\mathfrak{R}_{(1)}$ can be considered to be an isomorphic representation of a Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$ which is isomorphic or homomorphic to \mathfrak{g}_1 . As \mathfrak{R} determined \mathfrak{B} , so $\mathfrak{R}_{(1)}$ determines $\mathfrak{B}_{(1)}$. But any matrix of $\mathfrak{B}_{(1)}$ is the n_1 -submatrix $(V_{\cdot x}^y)$ of a matrix $(V_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ in \mathfrak{B}_1 , and the n_1 -submatrix of any matrix V in \mathfrak{B}_1 is a matrix of $\mathfrak{B}_{(1)}$. This is easily understood as $\mathfrak{R}_{(1)}$ is spanned by the matrices $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ satisfying $K_{\cdot x}^y V_{\cdot y}^x = 0$ for all matrices V in \mathfrak{B}_1 , and the n_1 -submatrices of matrices in \mathfrak{B}_1 span $\mathfrak{B}_{(1)}$. As $\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{g})$ is an invariant of \mathfrak{g} , so $\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{g}_{(1)})$ is an invariant of $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$.

Now, an element of $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$ can be considered as a transformation of an n_1 -dimensional space $R_{(1)}$ which is spanned by the vectors $e_x (x = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n)$ in a base (S, M) of the third order. Let the base of $R_{(1)}$ formed by these vectors be denoted by $S_{(1)}$. If S is transformed into $\tilde{S} = AS$ by means of (27), then $S_{(1)}$ is transformed into $\tilde{S}_{(1)} = A_{(1)}S_{(1)}$ which is composed of the vectors $\tilde{e}_x = A_{\cdot x}^y e_y$. The matrix $A_{(1)}$ is the n_1 -submatrix $(A_{\cdot x}^y)$ of A . If a base \tilde{M} of $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}A$ is chosen suitably, then the base (\tilde{S}, \tilde{M}) becomes a base of the third order, and, as we have seen, the portion (28) of \tilde{M} has the same form as M_1 . On the other hand, as for $R_{(1)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$, we can construct a base of the third order $(\tilde{S}_{(1)}, \tilde{M}_{(1)})$ by choosing $A_{(1)}$ and the base $\tilde{M}_{(1)}$ of $A_{(1)}^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_{(1)}A_{(1)}$ suitably.

Thus we find that we can choose a base (S, M) of the third order for the given $(R^n, \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{g}))$ in such a way that the corresponding base $(S_{(1)}, M_{(1)})$ of $(R_{(1)}, \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}))$ is also a base of the third order. From this fact we see that

If we take a particular base of the third order, then the base M_1 of \mathfrak{B}_1 decomposes into two portions M_2 and M_3 such that the n_1 -submatrices of the matrices of M_2, M_3 are quite similar in form to the matrices of M_1, M_1 stated in §5 respectively, with the understanding that the numbers n_1, n_2 play the parts of n, n_1 .

M_2 contains just $n_2(n_1 - n_2)$ or $n_2(n_1 - n_2) + 1$ linearly independent matrices.

The two cases are distinguished by writing $2 \in C1$ or $2 \in C2$ as we are now in the second step. The linear spaces spanned by M_2, M_2 are denoted by $\mathfrak{B}_2, \mathfrak{B}_2$ respectively.

2) We can proceed in this way step by step. Let us assume that we have completed the P -th step. If we have $n_{P+1} \neq 0$, then the $P+1$ -th step is carried out as follows.

By assumption \mathfrak{B} is decomposed in the form

$$\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}_1 + \dots + \mathfrak{B}_{T-1} + \mathfrak{B}_{(T \wedge 1)} \quad (T \leq P).$$

We also have

$$\mathfrak{B}_{(T \wedge 1)} = \mathfrak{B}_T + \mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}},$$

where the matrices V of $\mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}}$ satisfy $V_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda = 0$ for

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = 1, \dots, n - n_1, \\ \lambda = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n - n_2, \\ \dots \dots \dots \quad \dots \dots \dots \\ \lambda = n - n_{T-1} + 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = n - n_{T-1} + 1, \dots, n - n_T, \end{aligned}$$

and a base M_T of \mathfrak{B}_T is such that the n_{T-1} -submatrices

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda (\lambda, \mu = n - n_{T-1} + 1, \dots, n)$$

of the matrices of M_T have the same forms as the matrices of M_1 written in § 5, with the understanding that the numbers n_{T-1}, n_T play the parts of n, n_1 . Moreover, the n_{T-1} -submatrices of the matrices in $\mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}}$ also have the same form as the matrices in \mathfrak{B}_1 . This fact becomes significant when $n_{T-1} - n_T \geq 2$.

If we effect a transformation of S where

$$(31) \quad \begin{aligned} A_{\cdot j}^\lambda = \delta_j^\lambda, \quad A_{\cdot \mu}^i = \delta_\mu^i \\ (\lambda, \mu = 1, \dots, n; \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n - n_P), \end{aligned}$$

then the spaces $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_T A, A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}} A$ keep the properties mentioned above.

Now let us consider \mathfrak{R} . If $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ where $x, y = n - n_P + 1, \dots, n$ is a matrix of degree n_P satisfying

$$(32) \quad K_{\cdot x}^y V_{\cdot y}^x = 0$$

for all matrices V in $\mathfrak{B}_{\hat{P}}$, then we can find a matrix $(K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda)$ of \mathfrak{R} containing this $(K_{\cdot x}^y)$ as the n_P -submatrix and such that $K_{\cdot \mu}^\lambda = 0$ for

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = 1, \dots, n - n_1, \\ \lambda = n - n_2 + 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = n - n_1 + 1, \dots, n - n_2, \\ \dots \dots \dots \quad \dots \dots \dots \\ \lambda = n - n_P + 1, \dots, n; \quad \mu = n - n_{P-1} + 1, \dots, n - n_P. \end{aligned}$$

This is an extension of Lemma 3 and is proved as follows.

We put

$$(33) \quad K_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda = \delta_y^\lambda K_{\cdot x}^y \delta_\mu^x + \delta_{i_1}^\lambda K_{\cdot\mu}^{i_1} + \cdots + \delta_{i_P}^\lambda K_{\cdot\mu}^{i_P}$$

$$(i_1=1, \dots, n-n_1; \dots; i_P=n-n_{P-1}+1, \dots, n-n_P),$$

where

$$(34) \quad K_{\cdot j_T}^{x_T} = 0$$

$$(T=1, \dots, P; x_T=n-n_T+1, \dots, n),$$

and determine $K_{\cdot\mu}^{i_1}, \dots, K_{\cdot\mu}^{i_P}$ so as to get $(K_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda) \in \mathfrak{R}$. If $V \in \mathfrak{B}_P$, we get from

$$(35) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu = \delta_{i_1}^\mu V_{\cdot\lambda}^{i_1} + \cdots + \delta_{i_T}^\mu V_{\cdot\lambda}^{i_T} + \delta_{x_T}^\mu V_{\cdot\lambda}^{x_T}, \\ V_{\cdot j_S}^{i_S} = 0, \dots, V_{\cdot j_S}^{i_S} = 0 \quad (S=1, \dots, T), \\ V_{\cdot j_T}^{x_T} = 0, \dots, V_{\cdot j_T}^{x_T} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

and (34)

$$K_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu = K_{\cdot x_T}^{y_T} V_{\cdot y_T}^{x_T},$$

hence, if $V \in \mathfrak{B}_{T+1} (T < P)$, the equation $K_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu = 0$ becomes simply

$$(36) \quad K_{\cdot x_T}^{y_T} V_{\cdot y_T}^{x_T} = 0.$$

But \mathfrak{B}_{T+1} is spanned by the base M_{T+1} composed of

$$(37)_{T+1} \quad \begin{array}{c} k_{T+1} \\ V \\ z_{T+1} \end{array}$$

or

$$(38)_{T+1} \quad \begin{array}{c} k_{T+1} \\ V, \quad V \\ T+1, \quad z_{T+1} \end{array},$$

where the $n_{T+1}(n_T - n_{T+1})$ or $n_{T+1}(n_T - n_{T+1}) + 1$ matrices are such that their n_T -submatrices have the same form as the matrices of M_1 stated in § 5, with the numbers n_T, n_{T+1} playing the parts of n, n_1 . Hence, for $T+1=P$, that is, in regard to the condition that $K_{\cdot\mu}^\lambda V_{\cdot\lambda}^\mu = 0$ for all matrices V in \mathfrak{B}_P , we get, just as we obtained (29) or (30) in the second step,

$$(39)_P \quad K_{\cdot z_P}^{k_P} = -K_{\cdot x_P}^{y_P} V_{\cdot y_P}^{k_P x_P} = 0 \quad (P \in C1)$$

or

$$(40)_P \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} K_{\cdot z_P}^{k_P} = -K_{\cdot x_P}^{y_P} V_{\cdot y_P}^{k_P x_P}, \\ K_{\cdot i_P}^{i_P} = -K_{\cdot x_P}^{y_P} V_{\cdot y_P}^{x_P} \end{array} \right\} \quad (P \in C2).$$

$P \in C1$ or $C2$ means that the dimension of \mathfrak{B}_P is $n_P(n_{P-1} - n_P)$ or $n_P(n_{P-1} - n_P) + 1$ respectively. Similarly we get for an arbitrary $T (1 \leq T \leq P)$ (39) $_T$ or (40) $_T$ according as $T \in C1$ or $T \in C2$, and all these together are a necessary and sufficient condition that the matrix $(K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu})$ given above lie in \mathfrak{R} .

We determine $K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu}{}^{iP}$ at first by means of (39) $_P$ or (40) $_P$, and then $K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu}{}^{iP-1}$ by means of (39) $_{P-1}$ or (40) $_{P-1}$ and so on. It will be seen that, if $T \in C1$, we can choose the matrix $(K^\lambda_{\cdot j_T}{}^{iT})$ of degree $n_{T-1} - n_T$ arbitrarily, while, if $T \in C2$, only the trace of $(K^\lambda_{\cdot j_T}{}^{iT})$ is given by the second equation of (40) $_T$. This fact will become important later.

By virtue of the fact that we can find such matrices K of \mathfrak{R} and that the spaces $A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_T A, A^{-1}\mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}} A$ obtained from $\mathfrak{B}_T, \mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}}$ by a transformation of S satisfying (31) have the same property as $\mathfrak{B}_T, \mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}}$, it will be understood that the $P+1$ -th step is completed in the same manner as the former ones.

Such process can be continued until we get $n_{P+1} = 0$. Then the P -th step is the last step and we can not decompose \mathfrak{B}_P further in a similar manner. The n_P -submatrices of the matrices in \mathfrak{B}_P are scalar matrices, and, if these are all zero, we write $P+1 \in C1$. If some are not zero, we write $P+1 \in C2$, and in this case we can find just one linearly independent matrix V_{P+1} in \mathfrak{B}_P such that the n_P -submatrix is a unit matrix. If \mathfrak{B}'_{P+1} denotes a subspace of \mathfrak{B}_P spanned by the matrices whose n_P -submatrices are zero, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_P &= \mathfrak{B}'_{P+1} & (P+1 \in C1), \\ \mathfrak{B}_P &= V_{P+1} + \mathfrak{B}'_{P+1} & (P+1 \in C2). \end{aligned}$$

It may happen that \mathfrak{B}_P is an empty set.

We thus obtain the

THEOREM 1. *Let \mathfrak{g} be an r -dimensional subalgebra of a general linear Lie algebra $\mathfrak{gl}(R^n)$ operating on an n -dimensional linear space R^n over the field of real numbers. An isomorphic representation of \mathfrak{g} is taken in an n^2 -dimensional linear space spanned by all matrices of degree n and is denoted by $\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$ where S is a base of R^n . The matrices $(V^\lambda_{\cdot\mu})$ which satisfy*

$$K^\lambda_{\cdot\mu} V^\mu_{\cdot\lambda} = 0$$

for all matrices K of \mathfrak{R} span a subspace $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{g}, S)$ of dimension $m = n^2 - r$ in an n^2 -dimensional linear space spanned by all matrices of degree n . Then we can choose S such that \mathfrak{B} is decomposed as follows

$$\begin{aligned} (41)_T \quad \mathfrak{B} &= \mathfrak{B}_1 + \dots + \mathfrak{B}_T + \mathfrak{B}_{\hat{T}} & (1 \leq T \leq P), \\ (42) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathfrak{B}_P = \mathfrak{B}'_{P+1} \\ \mathfrak{B}_P = V_{P+1} + \mathfrak{B}'_{P+1} \end{array} \right. & \begin{array}{l} (P+1 \in C1), \\ (P+1 \in C2), \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

where the matrices V of \mathfrak{B}_T satisfy (35) and

$$V_{\cdot\mu}^{i_T} = 0 \quad \text{if } n_{T-1} - n_T \geq 2,$$

while \mathfrak{B}_T ($1 \leq T \leq P$) is spanned by $(37)_T$ or $(38)_T$ according as $T \in C1$ or $T \in C2$. Especially the matrices of $\mathfrak{B}_{P+1}^{\prime}$ are such that their n_P -submatrices are zero, and the n_P -submatrix of V is a unit matrix.

The base M_T of \mathfrak{B}_T as given by $(37)_T$ or $(38)_T$ for each T ($1 \leq T \leq P$), V if $P+1 \in C2$, and an arbitrary base M_{P+1}^{\prime} of $\mathfrak{B}_{P+1}^{\prime}$ together compose a base M of \mathfrak{B} . Such a base (S, M) will be called a *base of the fourth order*.

§ 7. The d series and the dimension of \mathfrak{g} .

Let us put $n_0 = n$ and

$$(43) \quad d_T = n_{T-1} - n_T, \quad d_{P+1} = n_P \quad (1 \leq T \leq P).$$

Then we get

$$(44) \quad n = d_1 + \cdots + d_{P+1}$$

and the space \mathfrak{B}_T is spanned by $d_T(n - d_1 - \cdots - d_T)$ or $d_T(n - d_1 - \cdots - d_T) + 1$ linearly independent matrices according as $T \in C1$ or $T \in C2$. Thus we obtain the

THEOREM 2. *Let \mathfrak{B} decompose in the form stated in Theorem 1. Then its dimension $m = n^2 - r$ satisfies the inequality*

$$(45) \quad m \geq d_1(n - d_1) + \cdots + d_P(n - d_1 - \cdots - d_P) + c,$$

hence

$$(46) \quad m \geq \sum_{1 \leq S < T \leq P+1} d_S d_T + c,$$

where c is the number of times T satisfies $T \in C2$ when it takes the values from 1 to $P+1$,

$$c = \sum_{T \in C2} 1.$$

The ordered set of numbers d_1, \dots, d_{P+1} will be called the d series of \mathfrak{g} .

The exact value of m is obtained by the addition of the dimension of $\mathfrak{B}_{P+1}^{\prime}$ to the right hand member of (46). It is evident that

$$\dim \mathfrak{B}_{P+1}^{\prime} \leq \sum_{1 \leq S < T \leq P+1} d_S d_T.$$

But according to § 5 the matrices V of $\mathfrak{B}_{P+1}^{\prime}$ satisfy, besides

$$(47) \quad V_{\cdot j_S}^{i_T} = 0 \quad (1 \leq S \leq T \leq P+1),$$

the equations

$$(48) \quad V_{\cdot j_S}^{\cdot i_T} = 0 \quad (1 \leq S, T \leq P+1; d_T \geq 2)$$

if $d_T \geq 2$. If T^* denotes T such that $d_T = 1$, then we get

$$\dim \mathfrak{Y}_{P+1} \leq \sum_{T^*} \left(\sum_{T > T^*} d_T \right),$$

hence the

THEOREM 3. *If r is the dimension of \mathfrak{g} , the number $m = n^2 - r$ satisfies*

$$(49) \quad \sum_{T^*} \left(\sum_{T > T^*} d_T \right) + \sum_{1 \leq S < T \leq P+1} d_S d_T + c \geq m \geq \sum_{1 \leq S < T \leq P+1} d_S d_T + c.$$

EXAMPLE. According to Theorem 3 we can obtain in principle all possible d series for any given value of r . This is especially easy for sufficiently large r . For example, if $r \geq n^2 - 3n + 9$, that is, if $m \leq 3n - 9$, the possible d series and the corresponding values of m are as follows. Of course some of them must be omitted.

P	d series	m
0	n	0, 1
1	1, $n-1$	$n-1, \dots, 2n$
	2, $n-2$	$2(n-2), 2(n-2)+1, 2(n-2)+2$
	3, $n-3$	$3(n-3), 3(n-3)+1, 3(n-3)+2$
	$n-3, 3$	$3(n-3), 3(n-3)+1, 3(n-3)+2$
	$n-2, 2$	$2(n-2), 2(n-2)+1, 2(n-2)+2$
	$n-1, 1$	$n-1, n, n+1$
2	1, 1, $n-2$	$2n-3, \dots, 4n-3$
	1, $n-2, 1$	$2n-3, \dots, 3n-1$
	$n-2, 1, 1$	$2n-3, 2n-2, 2n-1, 2n, 2n+1.$

Some of the values of m must be omitted not because of $m > 3n - 9$ but because of the property of \mathfrak{g} . Its study will be continued.

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