

## Quasi-artinian Lie algebras

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### Introduction

The concept of 'quasi-artinian Lie algebras' was recently introduced by Aldosray in [1]. The class of all quasi-artinian Lie algebras contains  $\mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A} \cup \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . We construct a quasi-artinian Lie algebra which does not belong to  $\mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A} \cup \text{Min-}\triangleleft$  (Theorem 4.1). The existence of such a Lie algebra and a question left unanswered in [1] motivate us to rise the following problems:

1. Give a condition under which quasi-artinian Lie algebras are soluble.
2. Give a condition under which quasi-artinian Lie algebras satisfy the minimal condition for ideals.
3. Does every semisimple quasi-artinian Lie algebra satisfy the minimal condition for ideals?

The aim of this paper is to give answers to the above problems. In Section 2 we shall prove that every residually  $(\omega)$ -central quasi-artinian Lie algebra is soluble (Theorem 2.3). This result is a generalization of Theorem 3.3 in [1]. The main result of Section 3 is that a quasi-artinian Lie algebra  $L$  satisfies the minimal condition for ideals if and only if  $L$  belongs to the largest  $\mathfrak{Q}$ -closed subclass of  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$  (Theorem 3.3). In Section 4 we shall construct a Lie algebra by which we can give a negative answer to the third problem stated above (Corollary 4.2).

### 1.

Notations and terminology are based on Amayo and Stewart [3], and some of the notions used in this paper are found in [1] and [2]. But for the sake of convenience we list the terms that we use here.

Lie algebras will be of arbitrary dimension. For a Lie algebra  $L$  and an ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $L^{(\alpha)}$  and  $\zeta_\alpha(L)$  denote the  $\alpha$ -th terms of the (transfinite) derived and upper central series of  $L$  respectively. These are inductively defined by  $L = L^{(0)}$ ,  $L^{(\alpha+1)} = [L^{(\alpha)}, L^{(\alpha)}]$  and  $L^{(\rho)} = \bigcap_{\alpha < \rho} L^{(\alpha)}$  for limit ordinals  $\rho$ ;  $\zeta_0(L) = 0$ ,  $\zeta_1(L) = \text{the center of } L$ ,  $\zeta_{\alpha+1}(L)/\zeta_\alpha(L) = \zeta_1(L/\zeta_\alpha(L))$  and  $\zeta_\rho(L) = \bigcup_{\alpha < \rho} \zeta_\alpha(L)$  for limit ordinals  $\rho$ . The hypercenter  $\zeta_*(L)$  of  $L$  is  $\bigcup_\alpha \zeta_\alpha(L)$ . For a subalgebra  $H$  of  $L$  the ideal closure series  $(H_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  is defined recursively by  $H_0 = L$ ,  $H_{i+1} = \langle H^{H_i} \rangle$ .

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A class  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a collection of Lie algebras together with their isomorphic copies and the 0-dimensional Lie algebra. We will need the classes

$\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $L\mathfrak{N}$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}^d$ ,  $E\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\mathfrak{J}$ ,  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft$ ,  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft E\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft$ ,  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft^2$ ,  $sE\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin}$ ,  $s\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin}$ ,  $\mathfrak{R}$

( $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ) defined by:  $L \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $L\mathfrak{N}$  if  $L$  is respectively abelian, locally nilpotent.  $L \in \mathfrak{A}^d$  if  $L^{(d)} = 0$ .  $L \in E\mathfrak{A}$  if  $L \in \mathfrak{A}^d$  for some  $d < \omega$ .  $L \in \mathfrak{J}$  if  $\zeta_*(L) = L$ .  $L \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ ,  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft E\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$  if  $L$  has the minimal condition on ideals, soluble ideals, abelian ideals respectively. Here we note that  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft E\mathfrak{A} \subsetneq \text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$  ([4], [5]).  $L \in \text{Max-}\triangleleft$ ,  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft^2$  if  $L$  has the maximal condition on ideals, 2-step subideals respectively.  $L \in sE\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin}$  (resp.  $s\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin}$ ) if every soluble (resp. abelian) subideal of  $L$  is finite-dimensional. It is known that  $sE\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin} = s\mathfrak{A}\text{-Fin}$  ([3, Corollary 9.2.2]).  $L \in \mathfrak{R}$  if  $x \in L$  implies  $x = 0$  or  $x \notin [x, L]^L$ . We note here that  $L\mathfrak{N} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}$  ([2]).

For a class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras the classes

$s\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $i\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $E\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $R\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $Q\mathfrak{X}$

are defined as follows.  $L \in s\mathfrak{X}$  (resp.  $i\mathfrak{X}$ ) if  $L$  is a subalgebra (resp. subideal) of a Lie algebra in  $\mathfrak{X}$ .  $L \in E\mathfrak{X}$  if  $L$  has a finite series  $0 = L_0 \triangleleft \cdots \triangleleft L_n = L$  whose factors  $L_{i+1}/L_i \in \mathfrak{X}$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$ .  $L \in R\mathfrak{X}$  if  $L$  has a family  $(I_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  of ideals such that  $L/I_\alpha \in \mathfrak{X}$  for all  $\alpha$  and  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} I_\alpha = 0$ .  $L \in Q\mathfrak{X}$  if  $L$  is a homomorphic image of a Lie algebra in  $\mathfrak{X}$ . We say that a class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras is  $E$ -closed,  $I$ -closed,  $Q$ -closed,  $R$ -closed if  $E\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X}$ ,  $i\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X}$ ,  $Q\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X}$ ,  $R\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X}$  respectively.

A Lie algebra  $L$  is said to be semisimple if the sum of all soluble ideals of  $L$  is zero.

Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra over any field.  $L$  is said to be quasi-artinian if for every descending chain  $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \cdots$  of ideals of  $L$  there exists a positive integer  $r$  such that  $[L^{(r)}, I_r] \subseteq \bigcap_{i \geq 1} I_i$ . We denote by  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft$  the class of all quasi-artinian Lie algebras. The following proposition is a characterization of the quasiartinian Lie algebras.

**PROPOSITION 1.1.** *Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra over any field. Then  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$  if and only if there exists an ideal  $I$  of  $L$  such that  $L/I \in E\mathfrak{A}$  and the set  $\{[K, I] : K \triangleleft L\}$  satisfies the minimal condition.*

**PROOF.** Let  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$  and put  $I = L^{(\omega)}$ . Then  $I = L^{(n)}$  for some  $n < \omega$  and  $L/I \in E\mathfrak{A}$ . Let  $K_i \triangleleft L$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and suppose that  $[K_1, I] \supseteq [K_2, I] \supseteq \cdots$ . Since  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ , there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $[L^{(n)}, [K_n, I]] \subseteq \bigcap_{i \geq 1} [K_i, I]$ . Observing  $I^{(1)} = I$  we have  $[K_n, I] \subseteq [[K_n, I], I] = [[K_n, I], L^{(n)}] \subseteq [K_{n+j}, I]$  for any  $j \geq 0$ .

Conversely take an ideal  $I$  of  $L$  such that  $L/I \in E\mathfrak{A}$  and the set  $\{[K, I] : K \triangleleft L\}$

satisfies the minimal condition. Then  $L^{(n)} \subseteq I$  for some  $n < \omega$ . Let  $K_i \triangleleft L$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and suppose that  $K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq \dots$ . Then  $\{[K_i, I] : i \geq 1\}$  has the minimal element  $[K_m, I]$ . Putting  $r = \max\{m, n\}$  we have  $[K_r, L^{(r)}] \subseteq [K_m, I] \subseteq \bigcap_{i \geq 1} [K_i, I] \subseteq \bigcap_{i \geq 1} K_i$ .

For an integer  $n \geq 1$  we put  $\mathcal{Q}(n) = \{p/q \in \mathcal{Q} : q > n, p \text{ and } q \text{ are relatively prime}\} + \mathbf{Z}$ . Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$  of characteristic zero with basis  $\{v(a) : a \in \mathcal{Q}\}$ . Considered as an abelian Lie algebra  $V$  has derivations  $x : v(a) \mapsto v(a+1)$ ,  $y : v(a) \mapsto a(a-1)v(a-1)$ ,  $z : v(a) \mapsto 2av(a)$ . Let  $L$  be the split extension  $V + \langle x, y, z \rangle$ .

Let  $V_n = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{Q}(n)} Fv(a)$ . Then  $V_1 \supseteq V_2 \supseteq \dots$ . Since  $\mathcal{Q}(n) + \mathbf{Z} = \mathcal{Q}(n)$ , we have  $[V_n, L] \subseteq V_n$ . On the other hand, take an element  $a$  in  $\mathcal{Q}(n)$ . Then  $v(a) = [v(a-1), x] \in [V_n, L]$ . Hence we have  $[V_n, L] = V_n$ . Since  $L^{(\omega)} = L$ , for any integer  $m \geq 1$  a descending chain  $[V_1, L^{(m)}] \supseteq [V_2, L^{(m)}] \supseteq \dots$  does not terminate finitely. Therefore by [1, Theorem 3.1],  $L \notin \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ .

Observing that  $V, L/V \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ , we have the following

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** *Over any field of characteristic zero  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft$  is not E-closed.*

2.

In this section we shall give classes  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras such that  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{L}$ .

To begin with, we generalize the notion of residually central Lie algebras. We say that a Lie algebra  $L$  is *residually  $(\omega)$ -central* if  $x \in L$  implies  $x = 0$  or  $x \notin [x, L^{(\omega)}]^L$ , and denote by  $\mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$  the class of all residually  $(\omega)$ -central Lie algebras.

**LEMMA 2.1.** (1)  $s\mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)} = r\mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)} = \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ .

(2)  $\text{RE}\mathfrak{L} \cup \mathfrak{R} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ .

**PROOF.** (1) Clearly  $s\mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)} = \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ . Let  $x \in L \in r\mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$  with  $x \neq 0$  and take an ideal  $I$  of  $L$  such that  $x \notin I$  and  $L/I \in \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ . Then  $x + I \notin [x + I, (L/I)^{(\omega)}]^{L/I}$ , so  $x \notin [x, L^{(\omega)}]^L$ . Therefore  $L \in \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ .

(2) If  $L \in \text{RE}\mathfrak{L}$ , then  $L^{(\omega)} = 0$  and so  $L \in \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ . It is obvious that  $\mathfrak{R} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ .

**LEMMA 2.2.** *Let  $I \triangleleft L \in \mathfrak{R}_{(\omega)}$ ,  $x \in L$ . Then for any ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $x \notin \zeta_\alpha(I)$  if and only if  $x \notin [x, I^{(\omega)}]^L + \zeta_\alpha(I)$ .*

**PROOF.** We use transfinite induction on  $\alpha$ . It is trivial for  $\alpha = 0$ . Let  $\alpha > 0$  and assume that the result is true for any ordinal  $\beta < \alpha$ . Let  $x \notin \zeta_\alpha(I)$  and assume that  $x \in [x, I^{(\omega)}]^L + \zeta_\alpha(I)$ . If  $\alpha$  is limit, then there exists an ordinal  $\beta < \alpha$  such that

$x \in [x, I^{(\omega)}]^L + \zeta_\beta(I)$ . By induction hypothesis we have  $x \in \zeta_\beta(I) \subseteq \zeta_\alpha(I)$ , which is a contradiction. In the case that  $\alpha$  is non-limit, take elements  $y \in [x, I^{(\omega)}]^L$  and  $z \in \zeta_\alpha(I)$  such that  $x = y + z$ . Then  $[z, I^{(\omega)}]^L \subseteq \zeta_{\alpha-1}(I)$ . Hence we have  $y \in [y, I^{(\omega)}]^L + [z, I^{(\omega)}]^L \subseteq [y, I^{(\omega)}]^L + \zeta_{\alpha-1}(I)$ . By induction hypothesis  $y \in \zeta_{\alpha-1}(I) \subseteq \zeta_\alpha(I)$  and  $x = y + z \in \zeta_\alpha(I)$ , which is a contradiction.

We now set about showing the main theorem in this section.

**THEOREM 2.3.**  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} = \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$  for any class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras such that  $\text{E}\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}_{(\infty)}$ .

**PROOF.** By Lemma 2.1(2) we have  $\text{E}\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R}_{(\infty)}$ . Assume that  $\text{E}\mathfrak{A} \subsetneq \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R}_{(\infty)}$  and take a Lie algebra  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R}_{(\infty)}$  with  $L \notin \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Put  $I = L^{(\omega)}$ . Since  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ ,  $I = L^{(d)}$  for some  $d < \omega$  and  $I^{(\beta)} = I \neq 0$  for any ordinal  $\beta$ . Then by [3, Lemma 8.1.1], we have  $I \notin \mathfrak{Z}$  and  $\zeta_*(I) \subsetneq I$ . Take an element  $x_1 \in I$  with  $x_1 \notin \zeta_*(I)$ . Since  $I^{(\omega)} = I$ , by Lemma 2.2 we have  $x_1 \notin [x_1, I]^L + \zeta_*(I)$ . Clearly  $\zeta_*(I) \subsetneq [x_1, I]^L + \zeta_*(I)$ . Next we take an element  $x_2 \in [x_1, I]^L + \zeta_*(I)$  with  $x_2 \notin \zeta_*(I)$ . Then by using Lemma 2.2 again we have  $x_2 \notin [x_2, I]^L + \zeta_*(I)$ . By continuing this procedure, we can find a sequence  $(x_i)_{i=1}^\infty$  of elements of  $I \setminus \zeta_*(I)$  such that for any integer  $i \geq 1$

$$x_i \notin [x_i, I]^L + \zeta_*(I) \quad \text{and} \quad x_{i+1} \in [x_i, I]^L + \zeta_*(I).$$

Set  $I_i = [x_i, I]^L + \zeta_*(I)$ . Then  $I_i \triangleleft L$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and  $I_1 \supsetneq I_2 \supsetneq \dots$ . Since  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ , there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $[I_n, L^{(d)}] = [I_n, I] \subseteq I_{n+1}$ . Then we have  $[x_n, I]^L \subseteq [[x_n, I], I]^L \subseteq [I_n, I]^L \subseteq I_{n+1}$ . Therefore  $I_n = [x_n, I]^L + \zeta_*(I) \subseteq I_{n+1} \subsetneq I_n$ , which is a contradiction.

**COROLLARY 2.4.** (1)  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R} \subseteq \text{B}\mathfrak{A}$ .

(2)  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R}_{(\infty)} \subseteq \text{B}\mathfrak{A}$ .

Recalling the fact that  $\text{L}\mathfrak{R} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}$ , we have  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \text{L}\mathfrak{R} \subseteq \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$  as an immediate consequence of (1) in the above corollary. This is just Theorem 3.3 in [1]. Another immediate consequence of this corollary is that  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{R} \subseteq \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . This is a part of Theorem 3.5 in [2].

### 3.

In this section we shall present classes  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras such that  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} = \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .

For any class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras, let

$$\mathfrak{X}^{\text{Q}}$$

denote the largest Q-closed subclass of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . It is easy to see that for a Lie algebra  $L$ ,  $L \in \mathfrak{X}^Q$  if and only if  $I \triangleleft L$  implies  $L/I \in \mathfrak{X}$ .

It is obvious that

$$(*) \quad \text{Min-}\triangleleft \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q.$$

We first consider the first inclusion. Let  $S$  be a non-abelian simple Lie algebra over any field. For any integer  $i \geq 1$ , let  $S_i$  be an isomorphic copy of  $S$ . Consider a Lie algebra  $L = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$ . Then  $L \notin \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . Let  $I \triangleleft L$ . By [3, Lemma 13.4.3] there exists a subset  $M$  of  $N$  such that  $L/I \simeq \bigoplus_{i \in M} S_i$ . This shows that  $I \triangleleft L$  implies  $L/I \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$ , and that  $L \in (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$ . Therefore we have the following

PROPOSITION 3.1.  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \subsetneq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$  over any field.

For the second inclusion of (\*) we have the following

$$\text{LEMMA 3.2. } (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q = (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q.$$

PROOF. Let  $L \in (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q$ . We show that for any  $1 \leq d < \omega$ ,  $L$  satisfies the minimal condition for soluble ideals of derived length  $\leq d$ . As a consequence we will have  $L \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$  and  $(\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$ . The assertion is trivial for  $d = 1$ . Assume that the assertion is true for  $d - 1$ . Let  $K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq \dots$  be a descending chain of ideals of  $L$  with  $K_i \in \mathfrak{A}^d$  for any  $i$ . Since  $K_i^{(d-1)} \in \mathfrak{A}$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and  $L \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$ , there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $K_n^{(d-1)} = K_{n+j}^{(d-1)}$  for any  $j \geq 0$ . Put  $K = K_n^{(d-1)}$ . Then  $L/K \in (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q$  and  $K_{n+j}/K \in \mathfrak{A}^{d-1}$  for any  $j \geq 0$ . By using induction hypothesis the chain  $K_n \supseteq K_{n+1} \supseteq \dots$  terminates finitely.

We now give an answer to the second problem stated in the introduction.

THEOREM 3.3.  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} = \text{Min-}\triangleleft$  for any class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras such that  $\text{Min-}\triangleleft \subseteq \mathfrak{X} \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q$ .

PROOF. By Lemma 3.2 it is enough to show that  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . Let  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$  and put  $I = L^{(\omega)}$ . Then  $I = L^{(d)}$  for some  $d < \omega$ . Let  $K_i \triangleleft L$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and suppose that  $K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq \dots$ . Since  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ , there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $[K_n \cap I, I] \subseteq \bigcap_{i \geq 1} (K_i \cap I)$ . Put  $K = \bigcap_{i \geq 1} (K_i \cap I)$ . Then  $(K_{n+j} \cap I)^{(1)} \subseteq [K_n \cap I, I] \subseteq K$  ( $j \geq 0$ ). Since  $K \triangleleft L \in (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$ ,  $L/K \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Therefore a descending chain  $(K_{n+1} \cap I)/K \supseteq (K_{n+2} \cap I)/K \supseteq \dots$  of abelian ideals of  $L/K$  terminates finitely. On the other hand since  $L/I \in \text{E}\mathfrak{A} \cap (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \text{E}\mathfrak{A})^Q$ , we have  $L/I \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . Hence a descending chain  $(K_{n+1} + I)/I \supseteq (K_{n+2} + I)/I \supseteq \dots$  terminates finitely, and so does the descending chain  $K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq \dots$ . This shows that  $L \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .

$$\text{COROLLARY 3.4. } \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \text{Max-}\triangleleft^2 \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft.$$

PROOF. Let  $L \in \text{Max-}\triangleleft^2$ . Then every abelian ideal of  $L$  is finite-dimensional. Hence  $L \in \text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft^2$  is  $Q$ -closed, we have  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft^2 \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q$ . The result immediately follows from the above theorem.

REMARK. We can not replace  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft^2$  by  $\text{Max-}\triangleleft$  in the above corollary. In fact, let  $V$  be a vector space over any field with basis  $\{x_i; i \geq 1\}$ . Considered as an abelian Lie algebra  $V$  has a derivation  $z: x_i \mapsto x_{i+1} (i \geq 1)$ . Let  $L$  be the split extension  $V \dot{+} \langle z \rangle$ . Then it is easy to see that every non-zero ideal of  $L$  has a finite codimension. Therefore  $L \in \text{Max-}\triangleleft$ . Since  $L \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ , we have  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \text{Max-}\triangleleft$ . But  $L \notin \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .

We state a necessary condition for an  $\mathfrak{I}$ -closed class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of Lie algebras to satisfy  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be an  $\mathfrak{I}$ -closed class of Lie algebras. If  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ , then  $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{se}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin.*

PROOF. Suppose that  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . Let  $L \in \mathfrak{X}$  and  $A$  be an abelian subideal of  $L$ . Since  $\mathfrak{X}$  is  $\mathfrak{I}$ -closed,  $A \in \mathfrak{X} \cap \mathfrak{A} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ , and hence  $A$  is finite-dimensional. This shows that  $L \in \text{s}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin. The statement follows from the fact that  $\text{se}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin =  $\text{s}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin ([3, Corollary 9.2.2]).

The converse of this proposition fails. In fact, let  $L$  be the Lie algebra constructed in Section 4. Then  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \text{se}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin but  $L \notin \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ . However we have the following

COROLLARY 3.6. *Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a class of Lie algebras. If  $\mathfrak{X}$  is  $\mathfrak{I}$ -closed and  $Q$ -closed, then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\text{qmin-}\triangleleft \cap \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .
- (2)  $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{se}\mathfrak{A}$ -Fin.
- (3)  $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$ .

PROOF. (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) is the assertion of Proposition 3.5 and (2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) is obvious. Assume that the condition (3) holds. Since  $Q\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq (\text{Min-}\triangleleft \mathfrak{A})^Q$ . Therefore by Theorem 3.3 the condition (1) holds.

#### 4.

The purpose of this section is to construct a Lie algebra which gives a negative answer to the third problem stated in the introduction. This problem was asked as an open question in [1] and has been left unanswered.

Let  $K$  be any field,  $F$  the quotient field of polynomial algebra  $K[x]$  and  $R = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} Kx^i$ . Let  $W$  be a Lie algebra over  $F$  with basis  $\{w(r); r \in R\}$  and multiplication

$$[w(g), w(h)] = (g - h)w(g + h), \quad g, h \in R.$$

Then it is proved in [3, Theorem 10.3.1] that if  $K$  has characteristic  $\neq 2$  then  $W$  is a non-abelian simple Lie algebra and that if  $K$  has characteristic 2 then  $W^{(1)}$  is a non-abelian simple Lie algebra. For the sake of convenience we set  $S = W$  in the case that  $K$  has characteristic  $\neq 2$ , and  $S = W^{(1)}$  in the case that  $K$  has characteristic 2.

For any integer  $n$  we define a homomorphism  $\lambda_n$  of an abelian group  $R$  into an abelian group  $F$  by  $\lambda_n(\sum a_i x^i) = a_n$ , and define a derivation  $\delta_n$  of  $S$  by

$$w(r)\delta_n = \lambda_n(r)w(r), \quad w(r) \in S.$$

Let  $D = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} F\delta_n$ . Then  $D$  is an infinite-dimensional abelian subalgebra of a Lie algebra  $\text{Der}_F(S)$ . We now let  $L$  be the split extension  $S \ltimes D$ .

We first claim that every non-zero subideal of  $L$  contains  $S$ . Let  $H$  be a non-zero subideal of  $L$  and  $H_i$  be the  $i$ -th ideal closure of  $H$  in  $L$ . By induction on  $i$  we show that  $S \subseteq H_i$  ( $i \geq 0$ ). As a consequence we will have  $S \subseteq H$ , since  $H = H_n$  for some  $n < \omega$ . It is trivial for  $i = 0$ . Let  $i \geq 0$  and assume that  $S \subseteq H_i$ . Suppose that  $[S, H_{i+1}] = 0$  and take any element  $z = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i w(r_i) + \sum_{j=p}^q b_j \delta_j$  ( $a_i, b_j \in F$ ) in  $H_{i+1}$ . We may assume that  $\{w(r_1), \dots, w(r_m)\}$  is contained in the subspace spanned by  $\{w(r) : r \in \sum_{i < s} Kx^i\}$ . Let  $t = \max\{s, q + 1\}$ . Then

$$0 = [S, H_{i+1}] \ni [z, w(x^t)] = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i (r_i - x^t)w(r_i + x^t).$$

Hence  $a_1 = \dots = a_m = 0$ . Further  $0 = [z, w(x^j)] = -b_j w(x^j)$  ( $p \leq j \leq q$ ), and we have  $z = 0$ . This is a contradiction. Hence we have  $[S, H_{i+1}] \neq 0$ . Since  $S \triangleleft H_i$  and  $H_{i+1} \triangleleft H_i$ ,  $[S, H_{i+1}] \triangleleft H_i \cap S = S$ . By the simplicity of  $S$  we have  $S = [S, H_{i+1}] \subseteq [H_i, H_{i+1}] \subseteq H_{i+1}$ .

We next prove that every soluble subideal of  $L$  is zero. Let  $H$  be a non-zero soluble subideal of  $L$ . Then  $S \subseteq H$  by the above result, which contradicts the simplicity of  $S$ .

We thirdly prove that  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ . Let  $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \dots$  be a descending chain of non-zero ideals of  $L$ . Since  $S$  is simple,  $L/S$  is abelian and  $S \subseteq I_n$  for any  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$[L^{(1)}, I_1] \subseteq [S, L] = S \subseteq I_n \quad \text{for any } n \geq 1.$$

Therefore  $L$  is quasi-artinian.

Finally  $L \notin \text{Min-}\triangleleft$  since  $L/S$  is infinite-dimensional and abelian.

Summing up these facts we have

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Over any field there is a Lie algebra  $L$  satisfying the following conditions:*

- (1)  $L \in \text{qmin-}\triangleleft$ .

- (2)  $L$  has no non-zero soluble subideals.
- (3)  $L \notin \text{E}\mathfrak{A} \cup \text{Min-}\triangleleft$ .

COROLLARY 4.2. *Over any field there is a semisimple quasi-artinian Lie algebra which does not satisfy the minimal condition for ideals.*

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