

Pseudo-coalescent Classes of Lie Algebras

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Introduction

In the study of infinite-dimensional Lie algebras the concepts of subideals and coalescency seem to play a central role. A subalgebra of a Lie algebra L is called a subideal of L if it is a member of a finite series of subalgebras ending with L such that each member is an ideal of the following. A class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras is called coalescent [4] if in any Lie algebra the join of any pair of subideals belonging to \mathfrak{X} is always a subideal belonging to \mathfrak{X} . B. Hartley has shown in [1] that the class of finite-dimensional nilpotent Lie algebras and the class of finite-dimensional Lie algebras over a field of characteristic 0 are coalescent. Furthermore, S. Tôgô has shown in [5] that other eleven classes of Lie algebras, e.g., the class of finite-dimensional solvable Lie algebras over a field of characteristic 0, are coalescent.

We shall introduce the new concepts, weak ideals and pseudo-coalescency. We call a subalgebra H of a Lie algebra L to be a weak ideal of L if $L(\text{ad } H)^n \subseteq H$ for some $n > 0$. Then any subideal of L is a weak ideal but not conversely. We call a class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras to be pseudo-coalescent if in any Lie algebra the join of any pair of subideal and weak ideal belonging to \mathfrak{X} is always a weak ideal belonging to \mathfrak{X} . We may ask whether the results for subideals and coalescency hold analogously for weak ideals and pseudo-coalescency. The purpose of this paper is to investigate weak ideals and pseudo-coalescency.

Some properties of weak ideals are given in Section 2. For a weak ideal H of L , $H^{(\omega)} = \bigcap_{i=0}^{\infty} H^{(i)}$ and $H^{\omega} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} H^i$ are both characteristic ideals of L (Theorem 2.2), which generalizes the results of E. Schenkman. If H and K are weak ideals of L such that K idealizes H , then $H+K$ is also a weak ideal of L . In Section 3 we shall prove the pseudo-coalescency of the class of finite-dimensional nilpotent Lie algebras over a field of characteristic 0 (Theorem 3.5). In Section 4 we show the three results on pseudo-coalescency which are analogous to three general theorems on coalescency in [5]. We prove the pseudo-coalescency of all the classes of Lie algebras stated in [1, Theorems 2 and 5] and [5, Theorem 4.4] (Theorem 4.4). In Section 5 we show by example that a weak ideal is not necessarily a subideal.

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1.

Throughout this paper we shall consider the Lie algebras over a field Φ which are not necessarily finite-dimensional and the characteristic of the basic field Φ will be arbitrary unless otherwise stated.

Let L be a Lie algebra over a field Φ . We write $H \leq L$ if H is a subalgebra of L and $H \triangleleft L$ if H is an ideal of L . We denote by $\langle S_1, \dots, S_n \rangle$ the subalgebra generated by subsets S_1, \dots, S_n of L . We recall the definitions of subideals and coalescency.

DEFINITION 1.1. *A subalgebra H of L is called an n -step subideal of L and written H n -si L if there is a finite series of subalgebras*

$$H = H_0 \leq H_1 \leq \dots \leq H_n = L$$

such that $H_i \triangleleft H_{i+1}$ ($0 \leq i < n$). H is called a subideal of L and written H si L if it is an n -step subideal of L for some n .

DEFINITION 1.2. *A class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras over a field Φ is called coalescent if H, K si L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{X}$ imply $\langle H, K \rangle$ si $L, \in \mathfrak{X}$.*

We shall now introduce the new notions corresponding to subideals and coalescency, that is, weak ideals and pseudo-coalescency.

DEFINITION 1.3. *We call a subalgebra H of L an n -step weak ideal of L and write H n -wi L if $L(\text{ad } H)^n \subseteq H$ with $n > 0$. We call H a weak ideal of L and write H wi L if it is an n -step weak ideal of L for some n .*

Here H 1-wi L is equivalent to each of H 1-si L and $H \triangleleft L$. For $n \geq 2$, if H n -si L , then H n -wi L . But the converse does not hold in general, which we shall show by example in Section 5.

DEFINITION 1.4. *A class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras over a field Φ is called pseudo-coalescent if H si L, K wi L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{X}$ imply $\langle H, K \rangle$ wi $L, \in \mathfrak{X}$.*

We need the following classes of Lie algebras over Φ .

\mathfrak{F} : the class of finite-dimensional Lie algebras.

\mathfrak{G} : the class of finitely generated Lie algebras.

\mathfrak{A} : the class of abelian Lie algebras.

\mathfrak{N} : the class of nilpotent Lie algebras.

\mathfrak{S} : the class of solvable Lie algebras.

$L \in \mathfrak{D}$ if and only if $H \leq L$ implies H si L .

$L \in \mathfrak{F}$ if and only if $H \triangleleft L$ implies $H \triangleleft I_L(H)$, where $I_L(H)$ is the idealizer of H in L .

2.

In this section we shall show several results on weak ideals. As an easy consequence of Definition 1.3, we have

LEMMA 2.1. (1) *If H wi L and $K \leq L$, then $H \cap K$ wi K .*

(2) *If H wi K and K wi L , then H wi L .*

(3) *If H wi L and $K \triangleleft L$, then $H + K$ wi L .*

(4) *Let f be a homomorphism of L onto a Lie algebra \bar{L} . If H wi L , then $f(H)$ wi \bar{L} . If \bar{H} wi \bar{L} , then $f^{-1}(\bar{H})$ wi L .*

PROOF. (1), (2) and (4) are obvious. If H n - wi L and $K \triangleleft L$, then

$$L(\text{ad}(H+K))^n \subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^n + K \subseteq H + K.$$

Hence $H + K$ n - wi L and (3) is proved.

If H si L , then it is known [2, 3] that $H^{(\omega)} = \bigcap_{i=0}^{\infty} H^{(i)}$ and $H^\omega = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} H^i$ are characteristic ideals of L . We generalize this in the following

THEOREM 2.2. *If H wi L , then $H^{(\omega)}$ and H^ω are characteristic ideals of L .*

PROOF. Let M be the semi-direct sum $L + \mathfrak{D}(L)$, where $\mathfrak{D}(L)$ is the derivation algebra of L . Assume that H n - wi L . Then, since $L \triangleleft M$, H $(n+1)$ - wi M . By induction we see that $[M, H^k] \subseteq M(\text{ad}_M H)^k$ for $k \geq 1$. Hence

$$[M, H^{(n)}] \subseteq [M, H^{n+1}] \subseteq M(\text{ad}_M H)^{n+1} \subseteq H.$$

Therefore, by induction on k we have

$$[M, H^{(k+n)}] \subseteq H^{(k)}, \quad k \geq 0.$$

It follows that $[M, H^{(\omega)}] \subseteq H^{(\omega)}$, that is, $H^{(\omega)} \triangleleft M$. Thus $H^{(\omega)}$ is a characteristic ideal of L . On the other hand, we can see by induction on k that

$$[M, H^{k+n}] \subseteq H^k, \quad k \geq 1.$$

Hence H^ω is characteristic in L . This completes the proof.

LEMMA 2.3. *If H, K wi L and $[H, K] \subseteq H$, then $H + K$ wi L .*

PROOF. Let H n - wi L and K m - wi L for some n and m . If $m=1$, $K \triangleleft L$ and therefore $H + K$ wi L by Lemma 2.1. So we may assume that $m > 1$. Put $l = n(m-1) + 1$. Then

$$L(\text{ad}(H+K))^l = \sum L(\text{ad } N_1) \dots (\text{ad } N_l)$$

where N_i is either H or K for $i=1, 2, \dots, l$. We shall consider

$$M = L(\text{ad } N_1) \cdots (\text{ad } N_l).$$

Let k be the number of N_i which equals H and consider the two cases $k \geq n$ and $k < n$.

The case $k \geq n$: First we show that

$$L(\text{ad } K)^i (\text{ad } H)^j (\text{ad } K) \subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^j (\text{ad } K) \subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^j \quad \text{for } j \geq 1.$$

The first inclusion is obvious and the second inclusion follows by induction on j , since we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(\text{ad } H)^j (\text{ad } K) &\subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^{j-1} (\text{ad } [H, K]) + L(\text{ad } H)^{j-1} (\text{ad } K) (\text{ad } H) \\ &\subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^j + L(\text{ad } H)^{j-1} (\text{ad } H) \\ &= L(\text{ad } H)^j. \end{aligned}$$

Now owing to this formula we have

$$M \subseteq L(\text{ad } H)^k \subseteq H(\text{ad } H)^{k-n} \subseteq H.$$

The case $k < n$: We then have either

$$M = L(\text{ad } N_1) \cdots (\text{ad } N_{l-m}) (\text{ad } K)^m \quad \text{or}$$

$$M = L(\text{ad } N_1) \cdots (\text{ad } N_k) (\text{ad } K)^m (\text{ad } H) (\text{ad } N_{k+m+2}) \cdots (\text{ad } N_l).$$

Since K m -wi L , in the first case we have

$$M \subseteq L(\text{ad } K)^m \subseteq K$$

and in the second case we have

$$M \subseteq K(\text{ad } H) (\text{ad } N_{k+m+2}) \cdots (\text{ad } N_l) \subseteq H.$$

Thus we conclude that $L(\text{ad } (H+K))^i \subseteq H \cup K \subseteq H+K$ and $H+K$ wi L , completing the proof.

3.

In this section we shall show the pseudo-coalescency of $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ for a field Φ of characteristic 0. This will be fundamental for showing the pseudo-coalescency of other classes in Section 4.

We begin with

LEMMA 3.1. *If $H, K \leq L$ and $[H, K] \subseteq H$, then*

$$(H+K)^n \subseteq H^2 + (H+K)(\text{ad } K)^{n-1}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

PROOF. We can prove this by induction on n . If $n=1$, the statement

is obvious. Assume the case $n = k - 1, k \geq 2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (H + K)^k &\subseteq [H^2 + (H + K)(\text{ad } K)^{k-2}, H + K] \\ &\subseteq H^2 + (H + K)(\text{ad } K)^{k-1} + K(\text{ad } K)^{k-2}(\text{ad } H) \\ &\subseteq H^2 + (H + K)(\text{ad } K)^{k-1} + H(\text{ad } K)^{k-1} \\ &= H^2 + (H + K)(\text{ad } K)^{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have the case $n = k$ and the statement is proved.

LEMMA 3.2. (1) *If K wi L and $K \in \mathfrak{N}$, then $\text{ad } K$ is a nil set of derivations of L .*

(2) *If $H \leq L, K$ wi $L, K \in \mathfrak{N}$ and $[H, K] \subseteq H$, then $(H + K)/H^2 \in \mathfrak{N}$.*

PROOF. (1) Let K n -wi L and $K^m = (0)$. Then

$$L(\text{ad } K)^{n+m-1} \subseteq K(\text{ad } K)^{m-1} = K^m = (0).$$

(2) Assume that $H \leq L, H(\text{ad } K)^n \subseteq K, K^m = (0)$ and $[H, K] \subseteq H$. Then by Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (H + K)^{n+m} &\subseteq H^2 + (H + K)(\text{ad } K)^{n+m-1} \\ &\subseteq H^2 + K(\text{ad } K)^{m-1} + K^{n+m} \\ &= H^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $H^2 \triangleleft H + K$, it follows that $((H + K)/H^2)^{n+m} = (0)$ and therefore $(H + K)/H^2 \in \mathfrak{N}$, completing the proof.

LEMMA 3.3. *If $H \leq L, K$ wi $L, H, K \in \mathfrak{N}$ and $[H, K] \subseteq H$, then $H + K \in \mathfrak{N}$.*

PROOF. By assumption $H \triangleleft H + K$ and $H \in \mathfrak{N}$. Furthermore Lemma 3.2 tells us that $(H + K)/H^2 \in \mathfrak{N}$. Therefore we conclude that $H + K \in \mathfrak{N}$.

If D is a nil derivation of L over a field of characteristic 0, then $\exp D = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D^n/n!$ is an automorphism of L . Let M be a subspace of L and S a subset of the derivation algebra of L . We shall denote by M^S the smallest subspace of L containing M and invariant under S .

LEMMA 3.4. *Let \mathfrak{O} be of characteristic 0. If M is a finite-dimensional subspace of L and S is a finite-dimensional nil subspace of the derivation algebra of L , then there exist automorphisms $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ which are products of finite number of elements $\exp D (D \in S)$, such that*

$$M^S = \sum_{i=1}^n M^{\alpha_i}.$$

For the proof, see B. Hartley [1, Corollary to Theorem 3]. We can now show the following

THEOREM 3.5. *Let \mathfrak{O} be of characteristic 0. Then $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ is pseudo-coalescent.*

PROOF. Assume that H n -si L , K wi L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ for an arbitrary Lie algebra L . We must show that $J = \langle H, K \rangle$ wi L , $\in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$. If $n=1$, then $H \triangleleft L$ and therefore $H+K$ wi L , $\in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ by Lemmas 2.3 and 3.3. So we may assume that $n > 1$. Since $\text{ad}K$ is a finite-dimensional nil subspace of $\mathfrak{D}(L)$ by Lemma 3.2, it follows from Lemma 3.4 that

$$\langle H^{\text{ad}K} \rangle = \langle H^{\alpha_1}, \dots, H^{\alpha_k} \rangle,$$

where α_i is a product of finite number of elements $\exp(\text{ad}x)(x \in K)$. Evidently H^{α_i} si L and $H^{\alpha_i} \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ for each i . Hence by the coalescency of $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ ([1, Theorem 2]) we have

$$\langle H^{\text{ad}K} \rangle \text{ si } L, \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}.$$

Now $J = K + \langle H^{\text{ad}K} \rangle$ and $[\langle H^{\text{ad}K} \rangle, K] \subseteq \langle H^{\text{ad}K} \rangle$. Hence we can use Lemmas 2.3 and 3.3 to see that J wi L , $\in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$.

Thus the theorem is proved.

COROLLARY 3.6. *Let \mathfrak{O} be of characteristic 0. Then $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G}$, $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{G}$, $\mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ and $\mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{G}$ are all equal. Therefore these classes are pseudo-coalescent.*

PROOF. By Lemma 1 in [1] any subalgebra of a nilpotent Lie algebra is its subideal, which shows that $\mathfrak{N} \subseteq \mathfrak{D}$. Obviously $\mathfrak{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Therefore we have $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ and $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G} \subseteq \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{G} \subseteq \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{G}$. Since $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$ by Lemma 1 in [1], we have $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G}$. It is known [1, Corollary to Theorem 4] that \mathfrak{F} is a class of locally nilpotent Lie algebras. Therefore $\mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{G} \subseteq \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G}$, whence $\mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{G} = \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{G}$. This completes the proof.

4.

Let \mathfrak{X} be any class of Lie algebras. Following the notations in [5] we denote by $\mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$ the class of Lie algebras L such that $L/L^{(\omega)} \in \mathfrak{X}$ and by \mathfrak{X}_{ω} the class of Lie algebras L such that $L/L^{\omega} \in \mathfrak{X}$. Consider the operations getting from \mathfrak{X} another classes \mathfrak{X} , $\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{X}$, $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$, $\mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{X}$, $\mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$ and \mathfrak{X}_{ω} . Then S. Tôgô has shown in [5] that the application of the above operations to \mathfrak{F} and $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$ produces the classes \mathfrak{F} , $\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, $\mathfrak{F}_{(\omega)}$, \mathfrak{F}_{ω} , $(\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F})_{(\omega)}$, $\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}$, $(\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega})_{(\omega)}$, $\mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$, $\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$, $(\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)}$ and $(\mathfrak{E} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)}$. We shall show at the end of this section that these classes are pseudo-coalescent.

S. Tôgô [5] has shown three general theorems on coalescency. We here

show similar results on pseudo-coalescency. We say that a class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras has the property (P) if $L \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $N \triangleleft L$ imply $L/N \in \mathfrak{X}$.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let \mathfrak{X} be a class of Lie algebras over a field \mathcal{O} having the property (P). If \mathfrak{X} is pseudo-coalescent, then so are $\mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$ and \mathfrak{X}_ω .*

PROOF. Assume that H *si* L , K *wi* L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$. Put $J = \langle H, K \rangle$. By Theorem 2.2, $H^{(\omega)} \triangleleft L$ and $K^{(\omega)} \triangleleft L$. Hence $I = H^{(\omega)} + K^{(\omega)} \triangleleft L$. By Lemma 2.1 we have $(H+I)/I$ *si* L/I and $(K+I)/I$ *wi* L/I . Since $H/H^{(\omega)} \in \mathfrak{X}$ and \mathfrak{X} has the property (P),

$$(H+I)/I \simeq H/(I \cap H) \simeq (H/H^{(\omega)})/((I \cap H)/H^{(\omega)}) \in \mathfrak{X}.$$

Similarly $(K+I)/I \in \mathfrak{X}$. Since \mathfrak{X} is pseudo-coalescent, J/I *wi* L/I , $\in \mathfrak{X}$. It follows from Lemma 2.1 that J *wi* L . Since $I \leq J^{(\omega)}$, $J/J^{(\omega)} \simeq (J/I)/(J^{(\omega)}/I)$. But $J/I \in \mathfrak{X}$ and \mathfrak{X} has the property (P). Therefore $J/J^{(\omega)} \in \mathfrak{X}$, that is, $J \in \mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$. Thus $\mathfrak{X}_{(\omega)}$ is pseudo-coalescent.

The pseudo-coalescency of \mathfrak{X}_ω is similarly proved.

THEOREM 4.2. *Let \mathfrak{X} be a class of Lie algebras over a field \mathcal{O} contained in \mathfrak{N}_ω and having the property (P). If \mathfrak{X} and $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$ are pseudo-coalescent, then so is $\mathfrak{S} \cap \mathfrak{X}$.*

PROOF. Let H *si* L , K *wi* L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{S} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. Since \mathfrak{X} is pseudo-coalescent, $J = \langle H, K \rangle$ *wi* L , $\in \mathfrak{X}$. To see the pseudo-coalescency of $\mathfrak{S} \cap \mathfrak{X}$, it suffices to show that $J \in \mathfrak{S}$. By Theorem 2.2 $I = H^\omega + K^\omega \triangleleft L$. It follows that $(H+I)/I$ *si* L/I and $(K+I)/I$ *wi* L/I . We have

$$(H+I)/I \simeq H/(I \cap H) \simeq (H/H^\omega)/((I \cap H)/H^\omega).$$

Since $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega$, $H \in \mathfrak{N}_\omega$ and therefore $H/H^\omega \in \mathfrak{N}$. Hence $(H+I)/I \in \mathfrak{N}$. Since \mathfrak{X} has the property (P), it follows that $(H+I)/I \in \mathfrak{X}$. Similarly, $(K+I)/I \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. Since $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$ is pseudo-coalescent, $J/I \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. But $I \in \mathfrak{S}$. Hence $J \in \mathfrak{S}$. This completes the proof.

THEOREM 4.3. *Let \mathfrak{X} be a class of Lie algebras over a field \mathcal{O} having the property (P). If \mathfrak{X} and $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$ are pseudo-coalescent, then so is $\mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{X}$.*

PROOF. Let H *si* L , K *wi* L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. Then $J = \langle H, K \rangle$ *wi* L , $\in \mathfrak{X}$ since \mathfrak{X} is pseudo-coalescent. It suffices to show that $J \in \mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)}$. Since $I = H^{(\omega)} + K^{(\omega)} \triangleleft L$, we have $(H+I)/I$ *si* L/I and $(K+I)/I$ *wi* L/I . Since $H, K \in \mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{X}$ and \mathfrak{X} has the property (P), it follows that $(H+I)/I, (K+I)/I \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. Since $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$ is pseudo-coalescent, $J/I \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{X}$. But then $J^{(n)} \leq I \leq J^{(\omega)}$ for some n and therefore $I = J^{(\omega)}$. It follows that $J \in \mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)}$, completing the proof.

By making use of these three theorems, we shall show the following

theorem which is the analogue of Theorem 4.4 in [5] for the pseudo-coalescency case.

THEOREM 4.4. *If \mathcal{O} is of characteristic 0, then the classes*

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{F}_{(\omega)}, \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}, \\ &(\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F})_{(\omega)}, \mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}, (\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega})_{(\omega)}, \mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{F}, \\ &\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}, (\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)}, (\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)} \end{aligned}$$

are all pseudo-coalescent.

If \mathcal{O} is of arbitrary characteristic, any classes containing \mathfrak{A} , e.g., \mathfrak{N} , \mathfrak{C} , \mathfrak{D} and \mathfrak{F} , are not pseudo-coalescent.

PROOF. Let H si L , K wi L , $H, K \in \mathfrak{F}$ (resp. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$) and $J = \langle H, K \rangle$. By Theorem 2.2 we have $H^{\circ} = H^p \triangleleft L$ and $K^{\circ} = K^q \triangleleft L$ for some p and q . Therefore $I = H^{\circ} + K^{\circ} \triangleleft L$. We have $(H+I)/I$ si L/I , $(K+I)/I$ wi L/I and $(H+I)/I, (K+I)/I \in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$. Hence by Theorem 3.5, J/I wi L/I , $\in \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$. Therefore J wi L . Since $I \in \mathfrak{F}$, we have $J \in \mathfrak{F}$ (resp. Since $J/I \in \mathfrak{N}$, $J^m \leq I \leq J^{\circ}$ for some m and therefore $I = J^{\circ}$. Hence $J \in \mathfrak{N}_{\omega}$, whence $J \in \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$). Thus \mathfrak{F} (resp. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$) is pseudo-coalescent.

\mathfrak{F} and $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ have obviously the property (P) and are pseudo-coalescent by Theorem 3.5 and the first part of the proof. Hence by Theorem 4.1 $\mathfrak{F}_{(\omega)}$, \mathfrak{F}_{ω} and $(\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F})_{(\omega)}$ are pseudo-coalescent, and by Theorem 4.3 $\mathfrak{N}_{(\omega)} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ is pseudo-coalescent. $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_{\omega}$ and \mathfrak{F} has the property (P). Hence by Theorem 4.2, $\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ is pseudo-coalescent.

Now we see that \mathfrak{F}_{ω} (resp. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$) has the property (P). In fact, let $L \in \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}$ (resp. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$) and $N \triangleleft L$. Then $(L/N)^{\circ} \triangleleft L/N$ by Theorem 2.2. Therefore $(L/N)^{\circ} = M/N$ with $M \triangleleft L$. Since $L/L^{\circ} \in \mathfrak{F}$ (resp. \mathfrak{N}),

$$(L/N)/(L/N)^{\circ} \simeq L/M \simeq (L/L^{\circ})/(M/L^{\circ}) \in \mathfrak{F} \text{ (resp. } \mathfrak{N}),$$

that is, $L/N \in \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}$ (resp. \mathfrak{N}_{ω}). It follows that \mathfrak{F}_{ω} (resp. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$) has the property (P), as desired.

Observing the facts that $\mathfrak{F}_{\omega} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_{\omega}$ and $\mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega} = \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, it now follows from Theorem 4.2 that $\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}$ is pseudo-coalescent. It is immediate that $\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega}$ has the property (P). Therefore by Theorem 4.1 $(\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{F}_{\omega})_{(\omega)}$ is pseudo-coalescent. $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$ is pseudo-coalescent and has the property (P). Hence by Theorem 4.1, $(\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)}$ is pseudo-coalescent. Since $\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$ and $\mathfrak{N} \cap (\mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}) = \mathfrak{N} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ are pseudo-coalescent, so is $\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G}$ by Theorem 4.2. It follows from Theorem 4.2 that $(\mathfrak{C} \cap \mathfrak{N}_{\omega} \cap \mathfrak{G})_{(\omega)}$ is pseudo-coalescent.

It has been shown by I. Stewart [4, Theorem 12.1] that there exists a Lie algebra L over any field \mathcal{O} such that 1) L is the semi-direct sum $V+J$, $V \triangleleft L$, $V \cap J = (0)$; 2) $V \in \mathfrak{A}$, $J = \langle H, K \rangle$ where H, K are abelian subalgebras of L , H is infinite-dimensional and K is 1-dimensional; 3) H, K si L and

$J = I_L(J)$. Then H *si* L , K *wi* L and $H, K \in \mathfrak{A}$. Suppose that J *wi* L . Then $L(\text{ad } J)^n \subseteq J$ for some n . It follows that $L(\text{ad } J)^{n-1} \subseteq I_L(J) = J$ by 3). Continuing this procedure, we have $L \subseteq I_L(J) = J$, which is a contradiction. Hence J is not a weak ideal of L . Thus this example shows that any class containing \mathfrak{A} is not pseudo-coalescent.

Thus the theorem is completely proved.

We remark that if \mathfrak{O} is of characteristic p , then any classes containing $\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{F}$, e.g., all the classes in Theorem 4.4, are not pseudo-coalescent. In fact, let A be a p -dimensional abelian Lie algebra over a field \mathfrak{O} of characteristic p with a basis e_0, e_1, \dots, e_{p-1} . We consider linear transformations of A :

$$\begin{aligned} x: e_i &\longrightarrow e_{i+1}, e_{p-1} \longrightarrow 0 && (i=0, 1, \dots, p-2) \\ y: e_0 &\longrightarrow 0, \quad e_i \longrightarrow ie_{i-1} && (i=1, 2, \dots, p-1) \\ z: e_i &\longrightarrow e_i && (i=0, 1, \dots, p-1). \end{aligned}$$

Then $Q = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ is a nilpotent Lie algebra over \mathfrak{O} . Let L be the semi-direct sum $A + Q$ (see B. Hartley [1]). Since

$$(x) \triangleleft (e_{p-1}, x) \triangleleft (e_{p-2}, e_{p-1}, x) \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A + (x) \triangleleft A + (x, z) \triangleleft L,$$

$H = \langle x \rangle$ *si* L . Since $L(\text{ad } y)^{p+2} = (0)$, $K = \langle y \rangle$ *wi* L . However, their join $\langle H, K \rangle = Q$, which contains z , is its own idealizer in L . Therefore $\langle H, K \rangle$ is not a weak ideal of L . Thus any class containing $\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{F}$ is not pseudo-coalescent.

5.

In Section 1, we noted that a weak ideal is not necessarily a subideal. We show it by example. Let L be a 3-dimensional simple Lie algebra over a field of characteristic $\neq 2$, with a basis x, y, z such that

$$[x, z] = 2x, \quad [y, z] = -2y, \quad [x, y] = z.$$

Let $H = \langle x \rangle$. Then it is immediate that H *2-wi* L . But H is not a subideal of L , since L has no non-zero proper ideals.

Another kind of coalescence of a class \mathfrak{X} of Lie algebras might be defined by the condition that in any Lie algebra the join of a pair of weak ideals belonging to \mathfrak{X} is always a weak ideal belonging to \mathfrak{X} . However, this is not interesting for us. Because the join of two 1-dimensional weak ideals may be even simple which is shown as follows. Let L be the Lie algebra stated above. Then $H = \langle x \rangle$ and $K = \langle y \rangle$ are both abelian weak ideals of L . Since $\langle H, K \rangle = L$, $\langle H, K \rangle$ *wi* L and $\langle H, K \rangle$ is simple.

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