

## On Lie algebras in which every subalgebra is a subideal

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### Introduction

Heineken and Mohamed [4] have constructed a Fitting, metabelian group with trivial centre in which every subgroup is subnormal. In Lie theory, Unsin [10] has constructed a Fitting, metabelian Lie algebra with trivial centre in which every subalgebra is a subideal. As in group theory, the class  $\mathfrak{D}$  of Lie algebras in which every subalgebra is a subideal is one of the typical classes of generalized nilpotent Lie algebras.

Recently Brookes [2] has proved that a hyperabelian group in which no non-trivial section is perfect and in which every subgroup is subnormal, is soluble ([2, Theorem A]), and he has concluded that a hypercentral group in which every subgroup is subnormal, is soluble ([2, Corollary A]). Subsequently, generalizing [2, Theorem A], Casolo [3] has proved that a group in which no non-trivial section is perfect and in which every subgroup is subnormal, is soluble ([3, Theorem]). The purpose of this paper is to present the Lie-theoretic analogues of [2, Theorem A and Corollary A] and [3, Theorem].

We shall first prove that  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \hat{(\triangleleft)} \mathfrak{A} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{A}})^{\mathcal{Q}} \subseteq \mathfrak{E} \mathfrak{A}$  (Corollary 1), where  $\hat{(\triangleleft)} \mathfrak{A}$  is the class of hyperabelian Lie algebras,  $(\hat{\mathfrak{A}})^{\mathcal{Q}}$  is the largest  $\mathcal{Q}$ -closed subclass of the class of hypoabelian Lie algebras and  $\mathfrak{E} \mathfrak{A}$  is the class of soluble Lie algebras. The group-theoretic analogue of this result is also true and is a slight generalization of [2, Theorem A]. We shall secondly prove that over any field  $\mathfrak{f}$  of characteristic zero  $\mathfrak{D} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{A}})^{\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{S}} \subseteq \mathfrak{E} \mathfrak{A}$  (Theorem 2), where  $(\hat{\mathfrak{A}})^{\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{S}}$  is the largest  $\mathcal{Q}$ -,  $\mathcal{S}$ -closed subclass of the class of hypoabelian Lie algebras and is equal to the class of Lie algebras in which no non-trivial section is perfect.

### 1.

Throughout this paper we always consider not necessarily finite-dimensional Lie algebras over a field  $\mathfrak{f}$  of arbitrary characteristic unless otherwise specified. Notations and terminology are based on [1]. But for the sake of convenience we list the terms that we use here.

Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra over a field  $\mathfrak{f}$  and  $n$  be a non-negative integer. By  $H \leq L$  (resp.  $H \triangleleft L$ ,  $H \text{ ch } L$ ,  $H \triangleleft^n L$ ,  $H \text{ si } L$ ), we mean that  $H$  is a subalgebra (resp. an ideal,

a characteristic ideal, an  $n$ -step subideal, a subideal) of  $L$ . If  $H \triangleleft L$ , then there exists the least integer  $n$  with respect to  $H \triangleleft^n L$ , which we denote by  $si(L : H)$  in [5]. For  $H \leq L$ ,  $H^L$  denotes the smallest ideal of  $L$  containing  $H$ . For a positive integer  $n$ ,  $L^n$  denotes the  $n$ -th term of the lower central series of  $L$ . Angular brackets  $\langle \rangle$  denote the subalgebra generated by their contents.

A class  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a collection of Lie algebras together with their isomorphic copies and the 0-dimensional Lie algebras.  $\mathfrak{A}$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}^n$ ,  $\mathfrak{RE}\mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\mathfrak{E}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}t$ ,  $\mathfrak{N}$ ,  $\mathfrak{N}_n$ ,  $\mathfrak{Z}$ ) is the class of Lie algebras which are abelian (resp. soluble, soluble of derived length  $\leq n$ , residually soluble, Engel, finite-dimensional, Fitting, nilpotent, nilpotent of class  $\leq n$ , hypercentral).  $\mathfrak{D}$  is the class of Lie algebras in which every subalgebra is a subideal. For a positive integer  $s$ ,  $\mathfrak{D}_{s,s}$  is the class of Lie algebras  $L$  such that  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_s \rangle \triangleleft^s L$  for all  $x_i \in L$  ( $1 \leq i \leq s$ ).

Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a class of Lie algebras.  $L$  is called an  $\mathfrak{X}$ -algebra if  $L \in \mathfrak{X}$ . An ascending  $\mathfrak{X}$ -series  $\{L_\alpha : \alpha \leq \rho\}$  of  $L$  is a family of subalgebras of  $L$  such that

- (a)  $L_0 = \{0\}$  and  $L_\rho = L$ ;
- (b)  $L_\alpha \triangleleft L_{\alpha+1}$  and  $L_{\alpha+1}/L_\alpha \in \mathfrak{X}$  for any ordinal  $\alpha < \rho$ ;
- (c)  $L_\mu = \bigcup_{\alpha < \mu} L_\alpha$  for any limit ordinal  $\mu \leq \rho$ .

$L$  is called a hyper  $\mathfrak{X}$ -algebra if  $L$  has an ascending  $\mathfrak{X}$ -series  $\{L_\alpha : \alpha \leq \rho\}$  such that  $L_\alpha \triangleleft L$  for all  $\alpha \leq \rho$ . The class of hyper  $\mathfrak{X}$ -algebras is denoted by  $\acute{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{X}$ . In particular,  $\acute{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{A}$  is the class of hyperabelian Lie algebras. For an ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $L^{(\alpha)}$  denotes the  $\alpha$ -th term of the transfinite derived series of  $L$ . We use  $L^{(*)}$  to denote the intersection of all the  $L^{(\alpha)}$ 's.  $L$  is said to be hypoabelian if  $L^{(*)} = \{0\}$ .  $\acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A}$  is the class of hypoabelian Lie algebras.  $L \in \mathfrak{RE}\mathfrak{A}$  iff  $L^{(\omega)} = \{0\}$ . It follows that  $\mathfrak{RE}\mathfrak{A} \leq \acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\mathfrak{X}$  is s-closed (resp. Q-closed) if  $H \in \mathfrak{X}$  (resp.  $L/H \in \mathfrak{X}$ ) whenever  $H \leq L$  (resp.  $H \triangleleft L$ ) and  $L \in \mathfrak{X}$ . We use  $\mathfrak{X}^Q$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{X}^{QS}$ ) to denote the largest Q-closed (resp. Q-, s-closed) subclass of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .

As in group theory, we say that  $H/K$  is a section of  $L$  if  $K \triangleleft H \leq L$ .  $L$  is said to be perfect if  $L^2 = L$ . Then we have

LEMMA 1.  $L \in (\acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{QS}$  if and only if no non-trivial section of  $L$  is perfect.

PROOF. Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be the class of Lie algebras in which no non-trivial section is perfect. Since perfect hypoabelian Lie algebras must be 0-dimensional, we have  $(\acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{QS} \leq \mathfrak{X}$ . Let  $L \in \mathfrak{X}$  and suppose that  $L^{(*)} \neq \{0\}$ . Since  $L^{(*)}$  is a non-trivial section of  $L$ ,  $L^{(*)} = (L^{(*)})^2 < L^{(*)}$ , a contradiction. It follows that  $\mathfrak{X} \leq \acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{X}$  is Q-, s-closed, we have  $\mathfrak{X} \leq (\acute{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{QS}$ .

## 2.

In this section we shall present the Lie-theoretic analogues of [2, Theorem A

and Corollary A].

We begin with the following

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $L \in \mathfrak{D}$ . If  $L$  has an ascending  $\mathfrak{A}$ -series  $\{L_\alpha: \alpha \leq \rho\}$  such that  $L_\alpha \triangleleft L$  and  $L/L_\alpha \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$  for all ordinals  $\alpha \leq \rho$ , then  $L \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ .*

**PROOF.** Assume that  $L \notin \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Then there is the least ordinal  $\mu \leq \rho$  with respect to  $L_\mu \notin \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Clearly  $\mu > 0$ . Since  $L_\alpha \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$  for all  $\alpha < \mu$ ,  $\mu$  is a limit ordinal. The method of proof is essentially that used by Brookes in proving [2, Theorem A]. We aim to construct a sequence  $\{H_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$  of subalgebras of  $L_\mu$ , strictly ascending sequences  $\{n(i)\}_{i=1}^\infty$  and  $\{s(i)\}_{i=1}^\infty$  of positive integers and a sequence  $\{\alpha(i)\}_{i=1}^\infty$  of ordinals  $< \mu$ , which satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) for each  $i > 1$ ,  $H_i$  is a finitely generated subalgebra of  $L_\mu^{(n(i-1))}$ ;
- (ii) for each  $i > 1$ ,  $s(i) = \text{si}(K_{i,n(i-1)}/K_{i,n(i)}: (H_i + K_{i,n(i)})/K_{i,n(i)})$ , where  $K_{i,j} = L_\mu^{(j)} + L_{\alpha(i-1)}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ );
- (iii) for each  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\langle H_1, \dots, H_i \rangle \leq L_{\alpha(i)}$ .

We set  $H_1 = \{0\}$ ,  $n(1) = s(1) = 1$  and  $\alpha(1) = 1$ . Let  $i > 1$  and suppose that those have been constructed up to the  $(i-1)$ -th terms. For convenience sake, we set  $n = n(i-1)$ ,  $s = s(i-1)$  and  $\alpha = \alpha(i-1)$ . Clearly  $K_{i,1} \geq K_{i,2} \geq \dots$ . Suppose that  $K_{i,j} = K_{i,j+1}$  for some  $j \geq 1$ . Then  $(L_\mu/L_\alpha)^{(j)} = K_{i,j}/L_\alpha = K_{i,j+1}/L_\alpha = (L_\mu/L_\alpha)^{(j+1)}$ . It follows that  $(L_\mu/L_\alpha)^{(j)} = (L_\mu/L_\alpha)^{(*)} \leq (L/L_\alpha)^{(*)} = \{0\}$ . Hence  $L_\mu/L_\alpha \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\alpha < \mu$ ,  $L_\alpha \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Therefore we have  $L_\mu \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ , a contradiction. Thus we obtain  $K_{i,1} > K_{i,2} > \dots$ .

By using [1, Theorem 7.2.5], we can find a positive integer  $m$  such that  $\mathfrak{D}_{s,s} \leq \mathfrak{R}_m$ . Define  $n(i) = n + m + 1$ . Let  $\psi_i$  denote the natural map  $K_{i,n} \rightarrow K_{i,n}/K_{i,n(i)}$ . Suppose that  $\text{si}(\psi_i(K_{i,n}): \psi_i(X)) \leq s$  for all finitely generated subalgebras  $X$  of  $L_\mu^{(n)}$ . Then we have  $\psi_i(L_\mu^{(n)}) = \psi_i(K_{i,n}) \in \mathfrak{D}_{s,s} \leq \mathfrak{R}_m$ . Hence  $\psi_i(K_{i,n(i)-1}) = \psi_i(L_\mu^{(n+m)}) = \psi_i(L_\mu^{(n)})^{(m)} \leq \psi_i(L_\mu^{(n)})^{m+1} = \{0\}$  and therefore  $K_{i,n(i)-1} = K_{i,n(i)}$ . This is a contradiction. Thus there exists a finitely generated subalgebra  $H_i$  of  $L_\mu^{(n)}$  such that  $\text{si}(\psi_i(K_{i,n}): \psi_i(H_i)) > s$ . Define  $s(i) = \text{si}(\psi_i(K_{i,n}): \psi_i(H_i))$ . It is clear that  $\langle H_1, \dots, H_i \rangle$  is a finitely generated subalgebra of  $L_\mu$ . Since  $\mu$  is a limit ordinal, there exists an ordinal  $\alpha(i) < \mu$  such that  $\langle H_1, \dots, H_i \rangle \leq L_{\alpha(i)}$ . Therefore the  $i$ -th terms have been defined. Thus  $\{H_i\}$ ,  $\{n(i)\}$ ,  $\{s(i)\}$  and  $\{\alpha(i)\}$  can be inductively constructed.

We now set  $H = \langle H_i: i = 1, 2, \dots \rangle$  and  $r = \text{si}(L_\mu: H)$ . Since the sequence  $\{s(i)\}$  is strictly ascending, there is a positive integer  $t$  such that  $r < s(t)$ . Let  $\psi$  denote the natural map  $L_\mu \rightarrow L_\mu/K_{t,n(t)}$ . Then evidently  $\psi|_{K_{t,n(t-1)}} = \psi_t$ . Let  $i$  be a positive integer. If  $i \leq t-1$ , then  $\psi(H_i) = \{0\}$  since  $\langle H_1, \dots, H_i, \dots, H_{t-1} \rangle \leq L_{\alpha(t-1)} \leq K_{t,n(t)}$ . If  $i \geq t+1$ , then  $\psi(H_i) = \{0\}$  since  $H_i \leq L_\mu^{(n(i-1))} \leq L_\mu^{(n(t))} \leq K_{t,n(t)}$ . Hence we have  $\psi(H) = \langle \psi(H_i): i = 1, 2, \dots \rangle = \psi_t(H_t) \leq \psi_t(K_{t,n(t-1)})$ . Since  $\psi(H) \triangleleft^r \psi(L_\mu)$ ,  $\psi(H) = \psi_t(H_t) \triangleleft^r \psi_t(K_{t,n(t-1)})$ . Thus  $s(t) = \text{si}(\psi_t(K_{t,n(t-1)}): \psi_t(H_t)) \leq r < s(t)$ . This is the final contradiction. Therefore we have  $L \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ .

**COROLLARY 1.**  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \dot{E}(\triangleleft) \mathfrak{A} \cap (\dot{E} \mathfrak{A})^{\circ} \leq E \mathfrak{A}$ .

**REMARK.** The proof of Theorem 1 can carry over in group theory without difficulties. Therefore the group-theoretic analogues of Theorem 1 and Corollary 1, which are slight generalizations of [2, Theorem A], are also true.

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a class of Lie algebras. If  $\mathfrak{Z} \leq \mathfrak{X} \leq \dot{E}(\triangleleft) \mathfrak{X}$ , then  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{X} \leq E \mathfrak{A}$ .*

**PROOF.** By [1, Lemma 8.1.1] we have  $\mathfrak{Z} \leq (\dot{E} \mathfrak{A})^{\circ}$ . It follows from Corollary 1 that  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \leq E \mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{D} \leq \mathfrak{E}$ , by [6, Theorem 8] we have  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \dot{E}(\triangleleft) \mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{E} \cap \dot{E}(\triangleleft) \mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z}$ .

In Theorem 1 the assumption that  $L \in \mathfrak{D}$  is essential. In fact, the following proposition shows that in Theorem 1 we cannot replace the assumption that  $L \in \mathfrak{D}$  by the assumption that  $L \in \mathfrak{F}t$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Over any field  $\mathfrak{k}$ , there exists a non-soluble, Fitting Lie algebra  $L$  having an ascending  $\mathfrak{A}$ -series  $\{L_n : n \leq \omega\}$  such that  $L_n \triangleleft L$  and  $L/L_n \in RE \mathfrak{A}$  for all  $n \leq \omega$ .*

**PROOF.** We here consider the McLain Lie algebra  $L = \mathcal{L}_t(N)$  over  $\mathfrak{k}$  (cf. [1, p. 111]), where  $N$  is the set of positive integers with natural ordering. Then  $L$  has basis  $\{a_{ij} : i, j \in N, i < j\}$  with multiplications  $[a_{ij}, a_{kl}] = \delta_{jk} a_{il} - \delta_{il} a_{kj}$ . It is well known (cf. [1, p. 119]) that  $L \in \mathfrak{F}t$ . We can easily verify that  $L^{(n)} = \langle a_{ij} : j - i \geq 2^n \rangle \neq \{0\}$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots$ ) and  $L^{(\omega)} = \bigcap_{n < \omega} L^{(n)} = \{0\}$ . Therefore  $L \in RE \mathfrak{A} \setminus E \mathfrak{A}$ . For each positive integer  $n$ , we set  $L_n = \langle a_{ij} : i \leq n \rangle$  and  $K_n = \langle a_{ij} : j < i \rangle$ . Then it is not hard to see that  $L_n \triangleleft L = L_n + K_n$  and  $L_n \cap K_n = \{0\}$ . Set  $L_0 = \{0\}$  and  $L_{\omega} = L$ . For any positive integer  $n$ , we have  $L_n/L_{n-1} = \langle a_{nj} + L_{n-1} : n < j \rangle \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $L = \bigcup_{n < \omega} L_n$ ,  $\{L_n : n \leq \omega\}$  is an ascending  $\mathfrak{A}$ -series of ideals of  $L$ . Furthermore, it can be easily seen that for any positive integer  $n$ ,  $L/L_n \cong K_n \cong L \in RE \mathfrak{A}$ .

### 3.

In this section we shall consider  $\mathfrak{D}$ -algebras over a field  $\mathfrak{k}$  of characteristic zero and present the Lie-theoretic analogue of [3, Theorem]. The method of proof is essentially that used by Casolo in proving [3, Theorem].

We need the following

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra over a field  $\mathfrak{k}$  of characteristic zero. If  $\{0\} \neq L \in \mathfrak{D} \cap (\dot{E} \mathfrak{A})^{\circ \text{S}}$ , then  $L$  has a non-trivial abelian ideal.*

**PROOF.** We denote by  $n(L)$  a minimal member of  $\{si(L : \langle x \rangle) : 0 \neq x \in L\}$  and show the result by using induction on  $n(L)$ . If  $n(L) = 0$ , then  $L$  is 1-dimensional and

so the result is true. Let  $n(L) \geq 1$ . There is a non-zero element  $x$  of  $L$  such that  $n(L) = \text{si}(L: \langle x \rangle)$ . Set  $H = \langle x \rangle^L$ . Then  $\{0\} \neq H \in \mathfrak{D} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{OS}}$ . Since  $\text{si}(H: \langle x \rangle) = n(L) - 1$ , we have  $n(H) = n(L) - 1$ . By inductive hypothesis,  $H$  has a non-trivial abelian ideal  $A$ . Let  $F$  be the Fitting radical of  $H$ . Since  $A \leq F, F \neq \{0\}$ . By [1, Corollary 6.3.2] we have  $F \text{ ch } H \triangleleft L$ , so that  $F \triangleleft L$ . As in the proof of [9, Lemma 4.2], we can show that  $F \in \hat{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{A}$ . It follows from Corollary 1 that  $F \in \mathfrak{D} \cap \hat{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{A} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{O}} \leq \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\{0\} \neq F \in \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ , there is a positive integer  $m$  such that  $F^{(m-1)} \neq \{0\}$  and  $F^{(m)} = \{0\}$ . Since  $F^{(m-1)} \text{ ch } F \triangleleft L, F^{(m-1)}$  is a non-trivial abelian ideal of  $L$ .

**THEOREM 2.** *Over any field  $\mathfrak{f}$  of characteristic zero,  $\mathfrak{D} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{OS}} \leq \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $L \in \mathfrak{D} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{OS}}$  and let  $M$  be any non-zero homomorphic image of  $L$ . Since  $\{0\} \neq M \in \mathfrak{D} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{OS}}$ , by Lemma 2  $M$  has a non-trivial abelian ideal. Owing to [7, Lemma 1.1], we have  $L \in \hat{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{A}$ . Thus by Corollary 1 we obtain  $L \in \mathfrak{D} \cap \hat{\mathfrak{E}}(\triangleleft)\mathfrak{A} \cap (\hat{\mathfrak{E}}\mathfrak{A})^{\text{O}} \leq \mathfrak{E}\mathfrak{A}$ .

It can be easily deduced from Theorem 2 and Lemma 1 that over any field  $\mathfrak{f}$  of characteristic zero, if no non-trivial  $\mathfrak{D}$ -algebra is perfect, then every  $\mathfrak{D}$ -algebra is soluble.

4.

In group theory Smith [8] has constructed a non-nilpotent, hypercentral, metabelian group in which every subgroup is subnormal. In Lie theory, however, it is still an open question whether every hypercentral  $\mathfrak{D}$ -algebra is nilpotent. In this section we shall show that in order to give the answer to this question it is sufficient to consider whether every hypercentral, Fitting, metabelian  $\mathfrak{D}$ -algebra is nilpotent.

**LEMMA 3.** *Let  $L \in \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{A}^2$  and  $H, K \leq L$ . Then:*

- (1) *If  $H \in \mathfrak{N}$ , then  $H^L \in \mathfrak{N}$ .*
- (2) *If  $H, K \in \mathfrak{N}$ , then  $\langle H, K \rangle \in \mathfrak{N}$ .*

**PROOF.** (1) Since  $L \in \mathfrak{D}, H \text{ si } L$ . There are non-negative integers  $r$  and  $s$  such that  $H^{r+1} = \{0\}$  and  $H \triangleleft^s L$ . Set  $n = r + s$ . Then it is clear that  $[L, {}_n H] = H^{n+1} = \{0\}$ . Set  $A = L^2$ . Since  $H \leq H + A \triangleleft L$ , we have  $H^L \leq H + A$ . By modular law  $H^L = H + (H^L \cap A)$ . Since  $A$  is an abelian ideal of  $L$ , by using induction on  $k$  we can easily see that for all non-negative integers  $k, (H^L)^{k+1} = H^{k+1} + [H^L \cap A, {}_k H]$ . It follows that  $(H^L)^{n+1} \leq H^{n+1} + [L, {}_n H] = \{0\}$ . Hence  $H^L \in \mathfrak{N}$ .

(2) By (1)  $H^L, K^L \in \mathfrak{N}$ . Therefore by Fitting's theorem (cf. [1, Theorem 1.2.5]) we have  $H^L + K^L \in \mathfrak{N}$ . Since  $\langle H, K \rangle \leq H^L + K^L, \langle H, K \rangle \in \mathfrak{N}$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.**  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{A}^2 \leq \mathfrak{N}$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \leq \mathfrak{N}$ .

**PROOF.** Assume that  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathfrak{A}^2 \leq \mathfrak{N}$  and let  $L \in \mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{A}^2$ . Then by

Lemma 3 (1) we have  $L = \sum_{x \in L} \langle x \rangle^L \in \mathfrak{F}$ . Therefore  $L \in \mathfrak{N}$ . It follows that  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{A}^2 \leq \mathfrak{N}$ . Since the class  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z}$  is s-, q-closed, by using [1, Proposition 7.1.1 (d)] we see that  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{A}^n \leq \mathfrak{N}$  for all positive integers  $n$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \cap \mathfrak{A} \leq \mathfrak{N}$ . Therefore, by using Corollary 2, we have  $\mathfrak{D} \cap \mathfrak{Z} \leq \mathfrak{N}$ . The converse is trivial.

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