

Locally inner derivations of ideally finite Lie algebras

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Introduction

Let d be a linear endomorphism of a Lie algebra L . We call d a locally inner derivation of L if, for any finite-dimensional subspace F of L , there is an element $x \in L$ such that $yd = [y, x]$ for any $y \in F$. Evidently the set of locally inner derivations of L is an ideal of the derivation algebra $\text{Der}(L)$. It will be denoted by $\text{Lin}(L)$.

C. A. Christodoulou introduced the notion of cofinite Lie algebras by analogy with cofinite groups and investigated their structure in [2]. In group theory locally inner automorphisms and local conjugacy classes of FC -groups have been studied by many authors from various points of view (see for example [3, 4, 6, 9, 10]). In this paper, following their works we study locally inner derivations of ideally finite Lie algebras by making use of the notion of cofinite Lie algebras. In Section 1 we shall show that for a cofinite and ideally finite Lie algebra, its locally inner derivations are precisely those induced by elements of its idealizer in its profinite completion (Theorem 1). In Section 2 we shall show that for an ideally finite Lie algebra L , $\text{Lin}(L)$ is a profinite completion of $\text{Inn}(L)$ for some cofinite topology (Theorem 2), and by using it we shall determine the dimension of $\text{Lin}(L)$ and when $\text{Lin}(L)$ and $\text{Inn}(L)$ coincide over some fields (Theorems 3 and 4, Corollary 2).

1.

We shall be concerned with Lie algebras which are not necessarily finite-dimensional over an arbitrary field \mathfrak{f} of characteristic zero. A Lie algebra L is called a cofinite Lie algebra if it has a topology satisfying the following C1–C4, where $\mathcal{K}(L)$ will denote the set of closed ideals of L of finite codimension, and $\mathcal{T}(L)$ will denote the set of closed vector subspaces of L of finite codimension:

- C1. $\bigcap \{K : K \in \mathcal{K}(L)\} = 0$.
- C2. For any $H \in \mathcal{T}(L)$, there exists $K \in \mathcal{K}(L)$ such that $K \subset H$.
- C3. If H, K are vector subspaces of L such that $H \subset K$ and $H \in \mathcal{T}(L)$, then K is closed.
- C4. The set $\{x + U : x \in L, U \in \mathcal{T}(L)\}$ is a subbase of closed sets of L .

This topology is called a cofinite topology, which was suggested by the definition of coset topology in Hochschild and Mostow [5]. A cofinite Lie algebra cannot be Hausdorff unlike cofinite groups. A compact cofinite Lie algebra is called a profinite Lie algebra. It is known that any cofinite Lie algebra L has a profinite completion P , that is, L can be embedded as a dense subalgebra in a profinite Lie algebra P (see [2, Proposition 3.2 and Theorem 3.3]).

Let L be a cofinite Lie algebra. A derivation d of L is called residually inner if, for all $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$, we have $Kd \subset K$ and the derivation consequently induced on L/K is inner. It is easy to see that residually inner derivations are continuous.

Now we consider the relationship between locally inner derivations and residually inner derivations of a cofinite Lie algebra.

LEMMA 1. *Let L be a residually finite Lie algebra. Then a locally inner derivation of L is residually inner for any cofinite topology on L .*

PROOF. Let d be a locally inner derivation of L and let K be an ideal of L of finite codimension. Then there exists a finite-dimensional subspace F of L such that $L = K + F$. It is easy to see that $Kd \subset K$. Since d is locally inner, there is an element $x \in L$ such that $d|_F = \text{ad}_L(x)|_F$. Thus the derivation induced by d on L/K coincides with $\text{ad}_{L/K}(x + K)$.

We require a lemma describing some closure properties of cofinite Lie algebras. A bar over a set will denote closure.

LEMMA 2. *Let L be a dense subalgebra of a cofinite Lie algebra P and let U be a vector subspace of P . Then*

- (a) $\bar{U} = \cap \{U + M : M \in \mathcal{X}(P)\}$. In particular $P = L + M$ for every $M \in \mathcal{X}(P)$.
- (b) $\mathcal{X}(P) = \{\bar{K} : K \in \mathcal{X}(L)\}$.
- (c) If $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$ then $\bar{K} \cap L = K$.

PROOF. (a) follows from [2, Proposition 1.6].

(b) Let $\mathcal{X}(P) = \{M_i : i \in I\}$. Suppose that $M \in \mathcal{X}(P)$. Then $M \cap L \in \mathcal{X}(L)$. From (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{M \cap L} &= \overline{\bigcap_{i \in I} (M_i + (M \cap L))} \\ &= \cap \{M_i + (M \cap L) : M_i \subset M\} \\ &= \cap \{M \cap (M_i + L) : M_i \subset M\} = M. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely let $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$ and F be a finite-dimensional subspace of L such that $L = K + F$. Then there exists $M \in \mathcal{X}(P)$ such that $L \cap M \subseteq K$, since $\{L \cap M_i : i \in I\}$ is cofinal in $\mathcal{X}(L)$. From the above $M = L \cap M \subseteq \bar{K}$. Hence \bar{K} has finite codimension in P and so $\bar{K} + F$ is closed in P by C3. Since L is a dense subalgebra

of P and L is contained in $\bar{K} + F$, we have $P = \bar{K} + F$. Now $[\bar{K}, F] \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} [K + M_i, F] \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} (K + M_i) = \bar{K}$. Thus \bar{K} is an ideal of P and so $\bar{K} \in \mathcal{X}(P)$.

(c) There is a closed subset C of P such that $K = L \cap C$. Hence $\bar{K} \subset C$ and so $\bar{K} \cap L \subset C \cap L = K$. Thus $\bar{K} \cap L = K$.

LEMMA 3. *Let L be a cofinite Lie algebra with a profinite completion P , and let $x \in I_P(L)$. Then $\text{ad}_L(x)$ is a residually inner derivation of L , and conversely any residually inner derivation of L is induced by such an element.*

PROOF. Let $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$. Then $\bar{K} \in \mathcal{X}(P)$ and $\bar{K} \cap L = K$ by Lemma 2. Hence $[K, x] \subset \bar{K} \cap L = K$. Since $P = \bar{L} = L + \bar{K}$ we can write $x = l + k$ with $l \in L, k \in \bar{K}$. For any $y \in L$, we have $[y, k] = [y, x] - [y, l] \in L \cap \bar{K} = K$. Thus $\text{ad}_{L/K}(x + K) = \text{ad}_{L/K}(l + K)$ and therefore $\text{ad}_L(x)$ is residually inner.

Conversely let d be a residually inner derivation of L . For each $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$, let $S(K) = \{a \in P : yd - [y, a] \in \bar{K} \text{ for all } y \in L\}$. Since d is residually inner, $S(K)$ is non-empty. Let $a \in S(K)$ and $B = \{s - a : s \in S(K)\}$. It is not hard to see that B is a closed subspace of P . Since $S(K) = a + B$, $S(K)$ is closed. Furthermore the set $\{S(K) : K \in \mathcal{X}(L)\}$ has the finite intersection property, and so we can take an element x from their intersection since P is compact. From Lemma 2, $\bigcap \{\bar{K} : K \in \mathcal{X}(L)\} = 0$. If $y \in L$, then we have $yd - [y, x] \in \bar{K}$ for any $K \in \mathcal{X}(L)$. Thus we have $d = \text{ad}_L(x)$ and $x \in I_P(L)$.

From Lemmas 1 and 3, we have the following

PROPOSITION 1. *Let L be a cofinite Lie algebra with a profinite completion P . Then every locally inner derivation of L is induced by an element of $I_P(L)$.*

Now we search for conditions under which the converse statement of the proposition holds.

LEMMA 4. *Let L be a cofinite Lie algebra with a profinite completion P . Suppose that L has a local system \mathcal{L} of finite-dimensional subalgebras satisfying:*

- (a) *If $H \in \mathcal{L}, x \in P$ and $[H, x] \subset L$, then $x - y \in I_P(H)$ for some $y \in L$.*
- (b) *If f is a continuous homomorphism of L onto a finite-dimensional Lie algebra, then $I_{f(L)}(f(H)) = f(I_L(H))$ for each $H \in \mathcal{L}$.*

Then each element of $I_P(L)$ induces a locally inner derivation of L .

PROOF. Let $x \in I_P(L)$ and $H \in \mathcal{L}$. By (a) there is an element $y \in L$ such that $x - y \in I_P(H)$. So to prove that x induces a locally inner derivation of L , we may replace x by $x - y$ and assume that $x \in I_P(H)$.

Now we put $I = I_P(H)$ and show that $I \cap L$ is dense in I . Let $M \in \mathcal{X}(P)$ and $J = I \cap L$. Then $P = L + M$ and it is easy to see that the canonical homomorphism of L onto P/M is continuous. Therefore we can apply (b) to obtain $I_{P/M}(H + M/M) = J + M/M$. Since $[I + M, H + M] \subset H + M$, we have $I \subset J + M$

and $I=J+(I \cap M)$. From Lemma 2, it follows that $\bar{J} = \cap \{J+(I \cap M) : M \in \mathcal{X}(P)\} = I$.

Let $C=C_I(H)$. Then I/C is finite-dimensional. For each $M \in \mathcal{X}(P)$ we have $[C+I \cap M, H] \subset H \cap M$. Therefore \bar{C} centralizes H , whence C is closed and $C \in \mathcal{X}(I)$. By Lemma 2, $I=J+C$. So we can write $x=z+c$ with $z \in J, c \in C$. Then $[h, x]=[h, z]$ for any $h \in H$, which completes the proof.

If L is cofinite and ideally finite, then each finite-dimensional ideal of L is a closed ideal of P (see [2, Proposition 1.18 and Corollary 2.26]). So it is easy to see that the local system consisting of all finite-dimensional ideals of L satisfies the conditions (a), (b) of Lemma 4. As a consequence of Lemmas 1, 3 and 4 we have the following

THEOREM 1. *Let L be a cofinite and ideally finite Lie algebra and let P be a profinite completion of L . Then the following subalgebras of $\text{Der}(L)$ are coincident:*

- (a) *The algebra of all locally inner derivations of L .*
- (b) *The algebra of all residually inner derivations of L .*
- (c) *The algebra of all derivations induced on L by elements of $I_P(L)$.*

We note that (b) and (c) are independent of the cofinite topology of L . In group theory, [3, Theorem 5.5] is the corresponding result on locally inner automorphisms.

We now construct a cofinite $\mathbb{L}(\langle \Delta^2 \rangle)\mathfrak{F}$ -algebra in which the algebra of (c) is not contained in the algebra of (a). Let H_i be the three-dimensional Heisenberg algebra with basis $\{x_i, y_i, z_i\}$ ($i=1, 2, \dots$), where $[x_i, y_i]=z_i, [H_i, z_i]=0$. Next, we put $H=\text{Dr}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$ and $C=\text{Cr}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$. Then there is a derivation d of H such that

$$\begin{aligned} x_i d &= z_i - z_{i+1} \\ y_i d &= z_i d = 0 \quad (i \in \mathbb{N}). \end{aligned}$$

d can be uniquely extended to a derivation of C , which we also denote by d . Now we can form the split extensions $L=H \dot{+} \langle d \rangle, P=C \dot{+} \langle d \rangle$, and we regard L as a subalgebra of P .

It is clear that $L^3=0$ and $L \in \mathbb{L}(\langle \Delta^2 \rangle)\mathfrak{F}$. For each $i \in \mathbb{N}$, let $K_i = \sum_{j>i} H_j, M_i = \text{Cr}_{j>i} H_j$. Then we can give L and P the cofinite topologies by K_i 's and M_i 's. Now let R be the projective limit of $\{P/M_i; p_{ij}\}$, where p_{ij} is the canonical homomorphism of P/M_i onto P/M_j ($i \geq j$). It is well known that the homomorphism $f: P \rightarrow R$ such that $af=(a+M_i)$ is a topological and algebraic embedding (see [2, Corollary 2.18]). Moreover it is not hard to see that f is surjective. Thus P is topologically and algebraically isomorphic to R , and so P is a profinite Lie algebra. Since $L+M_i=P$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$, P is a profinite completion of L by Lemma 2.

Now let $x=(x_i) \in C$. Then $[H, x] \subset H$ and $[x, d]=xd=z_1 \in L$. Hence $x \in I_P(L)$. Finally we show that $\text{ad}_L(x)$ is not a locally inner derivation of L . Suppose that $\text{ad}_L(x)$ is locally inner. Then there is an element $y=h_1+\dots+h_n+td \in L$ such that $[y, d]=z_1$ with $h_i \in H_i$ and $t \in \mathfrak{f}$. For each i , writing $h_i=a_ix_i+b_iy_i+c_iz_i$ with $a_i, b_i, c_i \in \mathfrak{f}$ ($i=1, \dots, n$), we have $[y, d]=yd=a_1(z_1-z_2)+\dots+a_n(z_n-z_{n+1}) \neq z_1$, which is a contradiction. This establishes the claim.

2.

In this section we investigate locally inner derivations of ideally finite Lie algebras. In general an ideally finite Lie algebra H is not residually finite, but the algebra of its inner derivations $\text{Inn}(H)$ is residually finite and can be a cofinite Lie algebra. Its profinite completion is given in the following

THEOREM 2. *Let H be an ideally finite Lie algebra. Then $\text{Lin}(H)$ is a profinite completion of $\text{Inn}(H)$ for some cofinite topology.*

PROOF. Let $\{F_j: j \in J\}$ be a collection of finite-dimensional ideals of H such that $\sum_{j \in J} F_j = H$ and J is directed, that is, for any $i, j \in J$ there exists $k \in J$ such that $F_i + F_j \subset F_k$. Put $L = \text{Lin}(H)$, $I = \text{Inn}(H)$ and let $L(F) = \{d \in L: Fd = 0\}$, $I(F) = L(F) \cap I$ for each finite-dimensional ideal F of H . $L(F_j)$'s and $I(F_j)$'s form finite residual systems of L and I respectively, which give L and I the cofinite topologies.

We now let $P = \varprojlim \{L/L(F_i); p_{ij}\}$ where p_{ij} is the canonical homomorphism of $L/L(F_i)$ onto $L/L(F_j)$ for $F_i \supseteq F_j$. We claim that the natural embedding $f: L \rightarrow P$ is surjective. For this let $(d_j + L(F_j)) \in P$ with $d_j \in L$. If $F_i \supseteq F_j$, then $d_i - d_j \in L(F_j)$ since $d_j + L(F_j) = (d_i + L(F_i))p_{ij} = d_i + L(F_j)$. Therefore we can define a locally inner derivation δ of H such that $x\delta = xd_j$ for $x \in F_j$. Then $\delta f = (d_j + L(F_j))$ and so f is a topological and algebraic isomorphism. Hence L is profinite.

Let $d \in L$ and $F = F_j$ for some $j \in J$. Then there exists $x \in H$ such that $d|_F = \text{ad}_F(x)$. It is clear that $d - \text{ad}_H(x) \in L(F)$. Therefore $d \in L(F) + I$ and so $L = L(F) + I$. It follows that $\bar{I} = L$ from Lemma 2. This completes the proof.

It was shown in [2, Theorem 4.18] that a profinite Lie algebra cannot have countable-dimension. Taking account of this result, we can deduce the following

COROLLARY 1. *Let L be an ideally finite Lie algebra. Then $\text{Inn}(L) \in \mathfrak{F}$ if and only if $\text{Lin}(L) \in \mathfrak{F}$. Further if L is countable-dimensional, then $\text{Lin}(L) = \text{Inn}(L)$ if and only if $\text{Inn}(L) \in \mathfrak{F}$.*

Let L be a semisimple ideally finite Lie algebra. It is well known that L is decomposed as a direct sum $\text{Dr}_{i \in I} S_i$, and $\text{Der}(L)$ is isomorphic to $\text{Cr}_{i \in I} S_i$ where

each S_i is a non-abelian simple \mathfrak{F} -algebra (see [1, Theorem 13.4.2 and Proposition 13.4.5]). It is not hard to see that if L is infinite-dimensional, then $\dim \text{Lin}(L) = \dim \text{Cr}_{i \in I} S_i = |\mathfrak{f}|^{|I|}$. We shall extend this result to general ideally finite Lie algebras.

LEMMA 5. *Let L be an infinite-dimensional ideally finite $\mathfrak{R}\mathfrak{F}$ -algebra and $\{N_i; i \in I\}$ be a set of ideals of L of finite codimension such that $\bigcap_{i \in I} N_i = 0$. Then $\dim \text{Inn}(L) \leq |I|$.*

PROOF. Adding all intersections of finitely many N_i we may assume that for any $i, j \in I$ there exists $k \in I$ such that $N_k \subset N_i \cap N_j$. For each $i \in I$, let $C_i = C_L(N_i)$. Then there exists a finite-dimensional ideal H of L such that $L = N_i + H$. It is clear that $C_L(H) \cap C_i \cap N_i$ has finite codimension in C_i , and is contained in $Z = \zeta(L)$. Hence $C_i/Z \in \mathfrak{F}$.

Now let B be any finite-dimensional ideal of L . Then there exists $i \in I$ such that $B \cap N_i = 0$. Hence $[B, N_i] = 0$ and so $B \subset C_i$. Thus $L/Z = \sum_{i \in I} C_i/Z$, and therefore $\dim \text{Inn}(L) = \dim L/Z \leq |I| \aleph_0 = |I|$.

LEMMA 6. *Let L be an ideally finite $\mathfrak{R}\mathfrak{F}$ -algebra, and let N be an ideal of L with infinite-dimension α . Then there exists an ideal M of L such that $\dim L/M = \alpha$ and $M \cap N = 0$.*

PROOF. Since L is ideally finite, there exist \mathfrak{F} -ideals F_j of L such that $N = \sum_{j \in J} F_j$, $|J| = \alpha$ and J is directed. Then for each $j \in J$ there is an ideal N_j of L of finite codimension such that $F_j \cap N_j = 0$. Let $K = \bigcap_{j \in J} N_j$ and $C/K = \zeta(L/K)$. Then by Lemma 5, $\dim L/C \leq \alpha$. Replacing L by L/K we can assume $\dim L/Z \leq \alpha$, where $Z = \zeta(L)$. Let M be a subspace of Z such that $Z = (N \cap Z) \dot{+} M$. Clearly, M is an ideal of L and $\dim Z/M \leq \dim N \leq \alpha$. Hence $\dim L/M \leq \alpha$. On the other hand $M \cap N = M \cap N \cap Z = 0$, and therefore $\dim L/M = \alpha$.

Next we state the following facts about extensions and liftings of locally inner derivations, which are analogous to [8, Corollaries 2.3 and 2.4].

LEMMA 7. *Let L be an ideally finite Lie algebra.*

- (a) *If $H \leq L$ and $d \in \text{Lin}(H)$, then there exists $\delta \in \text{Lin}(L)$ such that $\delta|_H = d$.*
- (b) *If $K \triangleleft L$ and $d \in \text{Lin}(L/K)$, then there exists $\delta \in \text{Lin}(L)$ such that δ induces the derivation d on L/K .*

PROOF. (a) Let $\{F(i); i \in I\}$ be the set of all finite-dimensional ideals of L . For each $i \in I$ let $A_i = \text{ad}(L)|_{F(i)}$ and $B_i = \{f \in A_i; f|_{H \cap F(i)} = d|_{H \cap F(i)}\}$. If we give A_i the affine topology, then A_i is compact and T_1 (see [2, Proposition 2.2]). Since there exists $h \in H$ such that $d = \text{ad}(h)$ on $F(i) \cap H$, B_i is a non-empty closed subset of A_i and so compact.

For $F(i) \geq F(j)$, the restriction $f_{ij}: A_i \rightarrow A_j$ is continuous and closed by [2, Lemma 2.4]. $\{B_i, f_{ij}|_{B_i}\}$ forms a projective limit system and $\varprojlim \{B_i\}$ is non-empty by [7, Theorem 7.1]. Choosing $(d_i) \in \varprojlim \{B_i\}$, we can define $\delta \in \text{Der}(L)$ by $\delta|_{F(i)} = d_i$. Then δ is locally inner and $\delta|_H = d$.

(b) is similarly proved.

Now by making use of these lemmas we show the following

THEOREM 3. *Let L be an ideally finite $\mathfrak{R}\mathfrak{F}$ -algebra over a field \mathfrak{k} of characteristic zero, and suppose that $\text{Inn}(L)$ has infinite-dimension α . Then $\dim \text{Lin}(L) = |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$.*

PROOF. Let $\{F_i: i \in I\}$ be the set of all finite-dimensional ideals of L , ordering I by inclusion. We can choose a directed subset I' of I such that $L = \zeta(L) + \sum_{i \in I'} F_i$ and $|I'| = \alpha$. As in the proof of Theorem 2, we can see that $\text{Lin}(L)$ is isomorphic to $\varprojlim \{\text{Lin}(L)/L_i: i \in I'\}$, where $L_i = \{d \in \text{Lin}(L): F_i d = 0\}$. Hence $\dim \text{Lin}(L) \leq \dim \text{Cr}_{i \in I'}(\text{Lin}(L)/L_i) \leq |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$.

Conversely we show that $\dim \text{Lin}(L) \geq |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$. Let J be a maximal subset of I' such that $\sum_{j \in J} F_j = \bigoplus_{j \in J} F_j$ and each F_j is non-abelian. Let $N = \bigoplus_{j \in J} F_j$ and $|J| = \beta$. If β is finite, then there is an ideal K of L of finite codimension such that $K \cap N = 0$. For any two elements x, y of K , there exists an \mathfrak{F} -ideal F of L such that $\langle x, y \rangle \leq F \leq K$. Then $F \cap N = 0$. By the maximality of N , F is abelian and $[x, y] = 0$. Thus K is abelian. On the other hand there is an \mathfrak{F} -ideal E of L such that $L = E + K$. Then $C_K(E)$ is contained in $\zeta(L)$ and $\dim L/C_K(E)$ is finite. Then $C_K(E)$ is contained in $\zeta(L)$ and $\dim L/C_K(E)$ is finite. This contradicts the fact that $\text{Inn}(L) \notin \mathfrak{F}$.

Therefore N is infinite-dimensional. By Lemma 6, there is an ideal M of L such that $\dim L/M = \beta$ and $M \cap N = 0$. As before, M is abelian. Let H be an ideal of L with dimension β such that $L = M + H$. By Lemma 6 again, there exists an ideal M_1 of L such that $\dim L/M_1 = \beta$ and $H \cap M_1 = 0$. Then $M_1 \cap M \leq \zeta(L)$ and $\dim L/M_1 \cap M \leq \beta$. Hence we have $\dim N = \alpha$.

It is not hard to see that $\text{Lin}(N) \simeq \text{Cr}_{j \in J} \text{Inn}(F_j)$. Each $\text{Inn}(F_j)$ is non-trivial because F_j is non-abelian. Therefore $\dim \text{Lin}(N) = |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$. From Lemma 7, it follows that $\dim \text{Lin}(L) \geq |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$. This completes the proof.

For general ideally finite Lie algebras, we show the same fact as the above with some restriction.

THEOREM 4. *Let L be an ideally finite Lie algebra over a field \mathfrak{k} of characteristic zero. Suppose that $\text{Inn}(L)$ has infinite-dimension α and either $\alpha > |\mathfrak{k}|$ or $\alpha = \aleph_0$. Then $\dim \text{Lin}(L) = |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$.*

PROOF. It is sufficient to show that $\dim \text{Lin}(L) \geq |\mathfrak{k}|^\alpha$ as in the case of

Theorem 3. Let $Z = \zeta(L)$ and $W = \zeta_2(L)$. If $\dim L/W = \alpha$, then we can apply Theorem 3 to conclude that $\dim \text{Lin}(L/Z) = |\mathfrak{f}|^\alpha$ since L/Z is residually finite. It follows that $\dim \text{Lin}(L) \geq |\mathfrak{f}|^\alpha$ from Lemma 7.

Thus we may assume that $\dim L/W = \beta < \alpha$ and so $\dim W/Z = \alpha$. Let $\{x_i + Z : i \in I\}$ be a basis of W/Z and let $F_i = \langle x_i \rangle + Z$. Adding all the sums of finitely many F_i we can write $W/Z = \sum_{i \in I} F_i/Z$, where $F_i/Z \in \mathfrak{F}$ and I is a directed set of cardinal α . For each $i \in I$, $C_i = C_L(F_i)$ has finite codimension in L . There is an \mathfrak{F} -ideal F of L such that $L = C_i + F$. It is clear that $Z = C_W(C_i) \cap C_L(F)$ and $C_W(C_i)/Z \in \mathfrak{F}$. From the choice of F_i 's, we can see that for each C_i there are only finitely many F_j which commute with C_i . Hence there are α subalgebras C_i .

Now let $C = \bigcap_{i \in I} C_i$, $A = \text{ad}(L)|_W$ and $H = \text{Lin}(L)|_W$. Then $A \simeq L/C$ and A is an infinite-dimensional abelian algebra. Let $A_i = C_A(F_i)$ and $H_i = C_H(F_i)$ for each $i \in I$. Then it is easily seen that the families of subalgebras A_i and H_i form finite residual systems of A and H respectively, under which A and H are cofinite Lie algebras. Further since $A + H_i = H$ for each $i \in I$, A is dense in H by Lemma 2.

Let $A' = \{f \in A^* : A_i f = 0 \text{ for some } i \in I\}$, where A^* is the dual space of A . For each $i \in I$ let $B_i = \{f \in A^* : A_i f = 0\}$. Then each B_i is a finite-dimensional subspace of A' , and $A_i = \bigcap \{\text{Ker}(f) : f \in B_i\}$. Hence there is a one-to-one correspondence between the families A_i and B_i . Thus $\alpha \leq |\mathfrak{f}|$ ($\dim A'$) since there are $|\mathfrak{f}|$ ($\dim A'$) finite-dimensional subspaces of A' . By the assumption on α , we have $\alpha \leq \dim A'$. On the other hand $A' = \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \sum_{i \in I} B_i$ and so $\dim A' = \alpha$. By [2, Remark 4.17] we have $\dim H = |\mathfrak{f}|^\alpha \leq \dim \text{Lin}(L)$. The proof is completed.

COROLLARY 2. *Let L be an ideally finite Lie algebra over a countable field of characteristic zero. Then $\text{Lin}(L) = \text{Inn}(L)$ if and only if $\text{Inn}(L) \in \mathfrak{F}$.*

COROLLARY 3. *Let L be an infinite-dimensional ideally finite Lie algebra over a countable field of characteristic zero. Then $\text{Der}(L) \neq \text{Inn}(L)$. In particular, $\dim \text{Der}(L) = 2^{(\dim L)}$.*

PROOF. If $\dim \text{Inn}(L) = \dim L$, then there is nothing to prove by Theorem 4. Thus we may assume that $\dim \text{Inn}(L) < \dim L$. Then there is an ideal F of L such that $L = \zeta(L) + F$ and $\dim \text{Inn}(L) = \dim F$. Let A be a subspace of $\zeta(L)$ such that $L = A \dot{+} F$. Then each linear endomorphism f of A induces a derivation d of L as follows: $(a+x)d = af$ for $a \in A$, $x \in F$. Hence $\dim \text{Der}(L) \geq \dim \text{End}(A) = 2^{(\dim A)}$ and so $\dim \text{Der}(L) = 2^{(\dim L)}$.

Finally we note that for a semisimple serially finite Lie algebra L , $\text{Der}(L) = \text{Lin}(L)$. However, for semisimple locally finite Lie algebras we do not know whether $\text{Der}(L) = \text{Lin}(L)$ or not, even if they are simple.

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