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## $N$ -commutators

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*In memory of my wife Kuralay and son Arman*

**Abstract.** The  $N$ -commutator

$$s_N(X_1, \dots, X_N) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_N} \text{sign } \sigma X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(N)}$$

is conjecturally a well-defined nontrivial operation on  $W(n) = \text{Der } \mathbb{K}[x]$  for  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  if and only if  $N = n^2 + 2n - 2$ . This is proved for  $n = 2$  and confirmed by computer experiments for  $n < 5$ .

Under 2- and 5-commutators the algebra of divergence-free vector fields in two dimensions is an sh-Lie (strong homotopic Lie) algebra in the sense of Stasheff. Similarly,  $W(2)$  is an sh-Lie algebra with respect to 2- and 6-commutators.

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Notations

Let  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . By  $\mathbb{Z}_+$  we denote the set of nonnegative integers.

Let  $U = \mathbb{K}[x]$  for  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $W(n) = \text{Der } \mathbb{K}[x]$  be the Lie algebra of polynomial vector fields and  $\text{Diff}(n) = S_U(W(n))$  the associative algebra of differential operators with smooth or polynomial coefficients. When  $\text{Diff}(n)$  is considered with the commutator rather than juxtaposition as the product, we write  $\mathfrak{Diff}(n)$ ; other products will also be used.

A vector space  $A$  is called a  $k$ -algebra with multiplication  $\omega$  and denoted  $A = (A, \omega)$ , if  $\omega$  is a polylinear map  $A \otimes \cdots \otimes A \longrightarrow A$  with  $k \geq 2$  arguments. Usually, *multiplication* is as a bilinear map and instead of  $\omega(a, b)$  one writes  $a \circ b$  or  $a \cdot b$ . In such cases we will call  $A$  just algebra and write  $A = (A, \circ)$  or  $A = (A, \cdot)$ .

### 1.2. $W(n)$ with right-symmetric multiplication

On  $W(n)$ , let  $\circ$  be the multiplication ( $\partial_i = \partial/\partial x_i$ )

$$u\partial_i \circ v\partial_j = v\partial_j(u)\partial_i.$$

Recall that the multiplication  $\circ$  is *right-symmetric* if it satisfies the right-symmetric identity

$$(X_1, X_2, X_3) = (X_1, X_3, X_2),$$

where

$$(X_1, X_2, X_3) = X_1 \circ (X_2 \circ X_3) - (X_1 \circ X_2) \circ X_3$$

is the associator. Right-symmetric algebras are called also *pre-Lie*, *Vinberg*, or *Vinberg-Koszul* [1], [12], [17].

*Main example.*  $(W(n), \circ)$  is right-symmetric.

Observe that usually the action of a vector field on a function is denoted by  $X(u)$ , but considering right-symmetric algebras  $(W(n), \circ)$  and the associated Lie algebras we denote such action by  $(u)X$ . Therefore, the commutator given above for  $W(n)$  and the commutator in the Lie algebra obtained from right-symmetric algebra  $(W(n), \circ)$  differ by a sign.

### 1.3. Problem formulation

The subspace  $W(n) \subset \text{Diff}(n)$  is not a subalgebra with respect to composition. If  $X = u_i\partial_i$ ,  $Y = v_j\partial_j$  are differential operators of first order, then their composition

$$X \cdot Y = v_j\partial_j(u_i)\partial_i + u_i v_j \partial_i \partial_j$$

is a differential operator of second order. It has nontrivial quadratic differential part  $u_i v_j \partial_i \partial_j$ . But  $W(n) \subset \mathfrak{D}\text{iff}(n)$  is a Lie subalgebra: it is closed under commutator since  $\partial_i \partial_j = \partial_j \partial_i$ . This well-known fact has the following interpretation in terms of skew-symmetric polynomials. Let  $\mathfrak{S}_k$  be a permutation group. Let

$$s_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_k} \text{sign } \sigma t_{\sigma(1)} \cdots t_{\sigma(k)}$$

be the standard skew-symmetric polynomial. Then instead of  $t_i$  we can substitute any differential operator from  $\text{Diff}(n)$ .

Clearly,  $s_2(X, Y) = [X, Y] \in W(n)$  for any  $X, Y \in W(n)$ . Does there exist  $k > 2$ , such that  $s_k$  is also a well defined operation on  $W(n)$ ? Since  $X_i = \sum_{j=1}^n u_{ij} \partial_j$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , are first order differential operators,  $X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(k)}$  is, in general, a  $k$ -th order differential operator and so is  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)$ .

Surprisingly, for some special  $k = k(n)$  it might happen that all higher degree differential parts of  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)$ , like quadratic differential part of  $s_2$ , can be cancelled for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ , but the first order part remains.

Let us consider  $W(2)$ . We prove that  $s_6$  is a well defined non-trivial 6-linear map on  $W(2)$  :

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in W(2) \text{ for any } X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2),$$

and

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \neq 0 \text{ for some } X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2).$$

The number 6 here is unique:

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = 0, \quad \text{for any } X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(2) \text{ and any } k > 6$$

and  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  has a non-trivial quadratic differential part for some  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(2)$  and any  $2 < k < 6$ .

Consider  $S(2) \subset W(2)$ , the Lie subalgebra of divergence free vector fields. We will prove that on  $S(2)$  the unique analog of the above is the 5-commutator:

$$s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) \in S(2) \text{ for any } X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2)$$

and

$$s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) \neq 0 \text{ for some } X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2).$$

Moreover,

$$k > 5 \Rightarrow s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = 0 \text{ for any } X_1, \dots, X_k \in S(2).$$

If  $2 < k < 5$ , then  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  has a non-trivial quadratic differential part for some  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in S(2)$ .

So, the vector space  $W(2)$  can be endowed with a Lie algebra structure with respect to  $s_2$ , usually denoted by  $[\cdot, \cdot]$ , and the 6-commutator  $s_6$ . Similarly,  $S(2)$  can be endowed by a structure of Lie algebra under 2-commutator  $s_2$  and the 5-commutator  $s_5$ . These commutators have the following nice properties.

#### 1.4. 5- and 6-commutators and right symmetric products

Let  $A = W(2)$  or  $S(2)$  and  $X, Y, X_1, X_2, \dots \in A$ . It is well known that the right adjoint representation  $ad X$ , defined by  $(Y)ad X = [Y, X]$ , for any  $X, Y \in A$  is a derivation. The commutator  $[X, Y]$  can be represented in terms of right-symmetric multiplication:  $X \cdot Y - Y \cdot X = X \circ Y - Y \circ X$ . These facts have analogies for 5- and 6-commutators.

The following Leibniz rule holds: for any  $X, X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2)$  we have

$$[X, s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5)] = \sum_{i=1}^5 s_5(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, [X, X_i], X_{i+1}, \dots, X_5).$$

To calculate the 5-commutator of  $X_1, \dots, X_5$ , one can use right-symmetric

multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_5} \text{sign } \sigma X_{\sigma(1)} \cdot X_{\sigma(2)} \cdot X_{\sigma(3)} \cdot X_{\sigma(4)} \cdot X_{\sigma(5)} \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_5} \text{sign } \sigma (((X_{\sigma(1)} \circ X_{\sigma(2)}) \circ X_{\sigma(3)}) \circ X_{\sigma(4)}) \circ X_{\sigma(5)}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) = s_5^{sym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_5) \quad \text{for any } X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2).$$

Usage of right-symmetric multiplication simplifies calculation of 5-commutators. The 5-commutator satisfies the following *4-left commutativity identity*:

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_8} \text{sign } \sigma s_5(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}, X_{\sigma(4)}, s_5(X_{\sigma(5)}, X_{\sigma(6)}, X_{\sigma(7)}, X_{\sigma(8)}, X_0)) = 0$$

for any  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_8 \in S(2)$ .

Similar results are true for 6-commutator. One can calculate 6-commutator by right-symmetric multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_6} \text{sign } \sigma X_{\sigma(1)} \cdot X_{\sigma(2)} \cdot X_{\sigma(3)} \cdot X_{\sigma(4)} \cdot X_{\sigma(5)} \cdot X_{\sigma(6)} \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_6} \text{sign } \sigma (((((X_{\sigma(1)} \circ X_{\sigma(2)}) \circ X_{\sigma(3)}) \circ X_{\sigma(4)}) \circ X_{\sigma(5)}) \circ X_{\sigma(6)}), \end{aligned}$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2)$ . The 6-commutator is 5-left commutative:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{10}} \text{sign } \sigma s_6(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}, X_{\sigma(4)}, X_{\sigma(5)}, \\ & \quad s_6(X_{\sigma(6)}, X_{\sigma(7)}, X_{\sigma(8)}, X_{\sigma(9)}, X_{\sigma(10)}, X_0)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for any  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{10} \in W(2)$ .

A property that the 5-commutator on  $S(2)$  has, but the 6-commutator on  $W(2)$  does not, is as follows. It is not true that the a composition of adjoint derivations is a derivation. Well known that  $ad$  is a Lie algebra homomorphism:

$$[ad X, ad Y] = ad [X, Y] \quad \text{for any } X, Y \in W(n).$$

In general, it is also false that  $s_k(ad X_1, \dots, ad X_k)$  is a derivation. However, for  $S(2)$  and  $k = 5$  it is:

$$s_5(ad X_1, \dots, ad X_5) = ad s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) \quad \text{for any } X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2).$$

A similar result for a 6-commutator is no longer true. For example,

$$F = s_6(ad \partial_1, ad \partial_2, ad x_1 \partial_1, ad x_2 \partial_1, ad x_1 \partial_2, ad x_2 \partial_2) \in \text{End } W(2),$$

as a linear operator on  $W(2)$  is defined by

$$(u_1 \partial_1 + u_2 \partial_2)F = 6(\partial_1 \partial_2(u_1) + \partial_2^2(u_2))\partial_1 - 6(\partial_2^2(u_1) + \partial_1 \partial_2(u_2))\partial_2.$$

We see that  $F$  has nontrivial quadratic differential part, so it is not even a derivation of the Lie algebra  $(Vect(2), [\cdot, \cdot])$ .

Note also the following relation between 5 and 6-commutators and divergences of vector fields:

$$s_6^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_6) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (-1)^{i+1} (\text{Div } X_i) s_5^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_6),$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2)$ . Here one can change on the right hand  $s_5^{rsym.r}$  to  $s_5$ , despite of the fact that  $s_5$  is not well defined on  $W(2)$ .

The quadratic differential part of the 5-commutator can be represented as a sum of three determinants (see lemma 7.4). All quadratic differential terms of  $s_5$  are cancelled in taking alternative sum:

$$s_6^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_6) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (-1)^{i+1} (\text{Div } X_i) s_5(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_6),$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2)$ . Recall that  $s_6 = s_6^{rsym.r}$  on  $W(2)$ .

Notice that here 6 and 5 can not be changed to smaller numbers. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2) - \text{Div}(x_1 \partial_1) s_4(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2) \\ = -3\partial_1 \partial_2 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that these results, valid for 5 and 6-commutators, are not valid for lower degree commutators. Namely,  $s_3, s_4$  for  $S(2)$  and  $s_3, s_4, s_5$  for  $W(2)$  have no such properties. One can state some weaker versions of these statements.

Let  $\mathfrak{gl}_2 \oplus \mathbb{K}^2$  be the semi-direct sum of  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$  and the identity module. For example, if  $k = 3, 4, 5$ , then

$$[X, s_k^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)] = \sum_{i=1}^k s_k^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, [X, X_i], X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k)$$

for any  $X \in \mathfrak{gl}_2 \oplus \mathbb{K}^2$ , and  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(2)$ .

### 1.5. Strongly homotopic (sh-) algebras, $n$ -Lie algebras, and $(n-1)$ -left commutative algebras

For vector spaces  $M$  and  $N$  set  $T^k(M, N) = \text{Hom}(M^{\otimes k}, N)$  if  $k > 0$ , let  $T^0(M, N) = N$  and  $T^k(M, N) = 0$  if  $k < 0$ .

Let  $T^*(M, N) = \bigoplus_k T^k(M, N)$ . Let  $\wedge^k M$  be the  $k$ -th exterior power of  $M$ . Set  $C^k(M, N) = \text{Hom}(\wedge^k M, N) \subseteq T^k(M, N)$ , let  $C^0(M, N) = N$ , and  $C^k(M, N) = 0$  if  $k < 0$ . Set  $C^*(M, N) = \bigoplus_k C^k(M, N)$ .

Let  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots\}$  be a set of polylinear maps  $\omega_i \in C^i(A, A)$ . Let  $(A, \Omega)$  be an algebra with vector space  $A$  and signature  $\Omega$  [13] which means that  $A$  is

endowed with the  $i$ -ary multiplication  $\omega_i$ . Call  $A$  an  $\Omega$ -algebra and in case where  $\Omega = \{\omega_i\}$  set  $A = (A, \omega_i)$ .

An algebra  $(A, \omega)$  is called an  $n$ -Lie [8], *Filipov* or *Nambu* algebra, if

$$\omega(a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}, \omega(a_n, \dots, a_{2n-1})) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega(a_n, \dots, \omega(a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_{n+i}), a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{2n-1});$$

$(A, \omega)$  is  $(n-1)$ -left commutative if

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-2}} \text{sign } \sigma \omega(a_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(n-1)}, \omega(a_{\sigma(n)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(2n-2)}, a_{2n-1})) = 0,$$

and  $n$ -homotopy Lie if

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \text{sign } \sigma \omega(a_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(n-1)}, \omega(a_{\sigma(n)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(2n-2)}, a_{\sigma(2n-1)})) = 0,$$

for any  $a_1, \dots, a_{2n-1} \in A$ .

Finally, an algebra  $(A, \Omega)$ , where  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots\}$  is called a *strongly homotopy Lie* or *sh-Lie* [14], if

$$\sum_{i+j=k+1, i, j \geq 1} (-1)^{(j-1)i} \text{sign } \sigma \omega_j(\omega_i(a_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(i)}), a_{\sigma(i+1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(i+j-1)}) = 0,$$

for any  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , and any  $a_1, \dots, a_{i+j-1} \in A$ .

In particular, an  $n$ -homotopy Lie algebra is an *sh*-algebra if  $\Omega$  consists of only one non-zero multiplication,  $\omega_n$ .

Suppose now that  $\Omega$  consists of two elements  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_n$ . Then the condition that  $(A, \Omega)$  is *sh-Lie* means that  $(A, \omega_2)$  is a Lie algebra,  $(A, \omega_n)$  is a  $n$ -homotopy Lie and  $\omega_n$  is a  $n$ -cocycle of the adjoint module of the Lie algebra  $(A, \omega_2)$ .

In [5] it is established that, over the field of characteristic 0, any  $n$ -Lie algebra is  $(n-1)$ -left commutative and any  $(n-1)$ -left commutative algebra is  $n$ -homotopy Lie. Here we prove that  $(S(2), s_5)$  and  $(W(2), s_6)$  are 4- and 5-left commutative, respectively. Hence,  $(S(2), s_5)$  is 5-homotopy Lie and  $(W(2), s_6)$  is 6-homotopy Lie.

The algebra  $S(2)$  endowed with multiplications  $\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \dots$ , such that  $\omega_i = s_i$  for  $i = 2, 5$  and  $\omega_i = 0$  for  $i \neq 2, 5$ , is an *sh*-algebra. In particular,  $s_5$  is a 5-cocycle of the adjoint module of the Lie algebra  $S(2)$ . Moreover, the following relations hold for any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in S(2)$ :

$$\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 6} (-1)^{i+j} s_5^{sym.r}([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_6) = 0,$$

$$\sum_{1 \leq i \leq 6} (-1)^i [X_i, s_5^{sym.r}(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_6)] = 0.$$

### 1.6. Primitive commutators

For any two vector fields their commutator is once again a vector field. One can repeat this procedure  $k - 1$  times and construct from any  $k$  vector fields a new vector field. This can be done in many ways. One can get a linear combination of such commutators. So, in general there are many ways to construct invariant  $k$ -operation on  $S(n)$  or  $W(n)$ . We call the invariant operations obtained in such ways *standard*. Call any  $k$ -linear invariant non-standard operation on  $W(n)$  or its subalgebra a *primitive  $k$ -commutator*. We prove that the 5-commutator and the 6-commutator are primitive.

$S(2)$ : Any divergence free vector field in two variables can be represented in terms of the generating function  $u$  as a Hamiltonian vector field

$$H_u = \partial_1(u)\partial_2 - \partial_2(u)\partial_1.$$

Let  $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5)$ , and  $Du = (Du_1, Du_2, Du_3, Du_4, Du_5)$  be term-wise derivative along the field  $D$ ; let  $\partial_{12} = \partial_1\partial_2$ . Set

$$[u] = \det \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 u \\ \partial_2 u \\ \partial_1^2 u \\ \partial_{12} u \\ \partial_2^2 u \end{pmatrix}.$$

We find that the formula for the 5-commutator on  $S(2)$  is rather simple:

$$s_5(H_{u_1}, H_{u_2}, H_{u_3}, H_{u_4}, H_{u_5}) = -3H_{[u]}.$$

$W(2)$ : Let  $X_i = u_{i,1}\partial_1 + u_{i,2}\partial_2 \in W(2)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, 6$ . We will show that the 6-commutator  $s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  can be presented as a linear combination with integral coefficients of fourteen  $6 \times 6$  determinants of the form

$$\begin{vmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{2,1} & u_{3,1} & u_{4,1} & u_{5,1} & u_{6,1} \\ u_{1,2} & u_{2,2} & u_{3,2} & u_{4,2} & u_{5,2} & u_{6,2} \\ * & * & * & * & * & * \end{vmatrix} \partial_i$$

where  $i = 1, 2$ . The exact formula for 6-commutator is given in theorem 11.1.

I know similar formulas for  $n = 3$  and 4. Perhaps, in better notations, they can be presented as understandable ones, but at the moment they look too lengthy and incomprehensible.

### 1.7. Related results

Left identities of  $W(n)$  as a right-symmetric algebra was considered in [4]. There are many works about identities of  $W(n)$  as a Lie algebra (see references in [15]). Identities of  $W(2)$  as a Lie algebra was described in [11].

## 2. Main results

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $N = n^2 + 2n - 2$ . Then*

- (i)  $s_k = s_k^{rsym.r}$  on  $W(n)$ , for any  $k \geq N$ . In particular,  $s_k$  is well defined on  $W(n)$ , if  $k \geq N$ .
- (ii)  $s_k = 0$  is an identity on  $W(n)$  for any  $k > N + 1$ .
- (iii)  $(W(n), s_N)$  is  $(N - 1)$ -left commutative. In particular,  $(W(n), s_N)$  is  $N$ -homotopy Lie.
- (iv)  $ad X \in Der(W(n), s_k)$  for any  $X \in W(n)$  and for any  $k \geq N$ .
- (v)  $ad X \in Der(W(n), s_k)$  for any  $X \in W(n)$  such that  $\partial_i \partial_j(X) = 0, i, j = 1, \dots, n$ . Here  $k$  is any integer  $> 0$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** (i)  $s_5 \neq 0$  on  $S(2)$ .

- (ii)  $s_5$  is a 5-commutator on  $S(2)$ .
- (iii)  $s_6 = 0$  is an identity on  $S(2)$ .
- (iv) 5-commutator  $s_5$  on  $S(2)$  is primitive.
- (v)  $s_5 = s_5^{rsym.r}$  on  $S(2)$ .
- (vi)  $ad s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) = s_5(ad X_1, \dots, ad X_5)$  for any  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2)$ .
- (vii)  $(S(2), s_5)$  is a 4-left commutative algebra.
- (viii)  $(S(2), \{s_2, s_5\})$  is an sh-Lie algebra.

**Theorem 2.3.** (i)  $s_6 \neq 0$  on  $W(2)$ .

- (ii)  $s_6$  is a 6-commutator on  $W(2)$ .
- (iii)  $s_7 = 0$  is an identity on  $W(2)$ .
- (iv) 6-commutator  $s_6$  on  $W(2)$  is primitive.
- (v)  $s_6 = s_6^{rsym.r}$  on  $W(2)$ .
- (vi) For any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2)$ ,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (-1)^{i+1} \text{Div } X_i s_5(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_6).$$

- (vii)  $(W(2), s_6)$  is a 5-left commutative algebra.
- (viii)  $(W(2), \{s_2, s_6\})$  is an sh-Lie algebra.

A natural question arises: Is it possible to construct nontrivial  $N$ -commutators on  $W(n)$  for  $n > 2$ ? If  $N = n^2 + 2n - 2$ , then  $s_N$  is a well defined  $N$ -commutator on  $W(n), n > 1$  (theorem 2.1, (i)).

**Conjecture.**  $s_N(X_1, \dots, X_N) \neq 0$  for some  $X_1, \dots, X_N \in W(n)$ .

We have checked this conjecture by a computer for  $n = 2, 3, 4$ .

### 3. $k$ -commutators by right-symmetric multiplications

The aim of this section is to prove that for any  $n$  there exists  $N = N(n)$  such that for any  $k \geq N$ ,  $s_k = s_k^{r\text{sym},r}$  on  $W(n)$ .

#### 3.1. The Lie algebra of polynomial vector fields

By setting  $\deg x_i = 1$  for all  $i$  we endow  $U$  with the standard grading  $U = \bigoplus_{s \geq 0} U_s$  and a filtration  $\mathcal{U}_s = \bigoplus_{k \geq s} U_k$ , so

$$U = \mathcal{U}_0 \supseteq \mathcal{U}_1 \supseteq \mathcal{U}_2 \supseteq \cdots.$$

These grading and filtration induce a grading and a filtration on  $L = W(n)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \bigoplus_{s \geq -1} L_s, \quad L_s = \langle x^\alpha \partial_i \mid \alpha \in \Gamma_n^+, |\alpha| = s+1, i = 1, \dots, n \rangle, \\ \mathcal{L} &= \mathcal{L}_{-1} \supseteq \mathcal{L}_0 \supseteq \mathcal{L}_1 \supseteq \cdots, \quad \mathcal{L}_k = \bigoplus_{s \geq k} L_s. \end{aligned}$$

These grading and filtration are compatible with the right-symmetric multiplication:

$$L_s \circ L_k \subseteq L_{s+k}, \quad \mathcal{L}_s \circ \mathcal{L}_k \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{k+s},$$

for any  $k, s \geq -1$ . In particular, they induce grading and filtration on  $W(n)$  as a right-symmetric algebra and as a Lie algebra.

Since  $W(n)^{r\text{sym}}$  is graded,

$$L_0 \circ L_s \subseteq L_s \quad \text{for any } s \geq -1.$$

In particular,  $L_0$  is a right-symmetric subalgebra of  $L = W(n)^{r\text{sym}}$ . Hence, it is a Lie subalgebra of  $W(n)$ ; clearly,  $L_0 \subset W(n)^{r\text{sym}}$  is associative and isomorphic to the matrix algebra  $\text{Mat}_n$ , whereas  $L_0 \subset W(n)$  as a Lie algebra isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$ .

#### 3.2. $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant polynomials

Let  $f = f(t_1, \dots, t_k)$  be an associative noncommutative polynomial,

$$f = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_l} \lambda_{i_1, \dots, i_l} t_{i_1} \cdots t_{i_l},$$

i.e.,  $f$  is a linear combination of monomials  $t_{(i)} = t_{i_1} \cdots t_{i_l}$ , where  $i_1, \dots, i_l$  run through elements  $1, \dots, k$ , possibly repeated. Later on we replace  $t_i$  with elements of some 2-algebras. Since our algebras may be non-associative, we assume that every monomial  $t_{(i)}$  has a *left-normed* bracketing, i.e.,  $t_{(i)} = (\cdots ((t_{i_1} t_{i_2}) t_{i_3}) \cdots) t_{i_l}$ .

Let  $A = (A, \circ)$  be an algebra with multiplication  $\circ$ . Suppose that  $B$  is a subspace of  $A$ . Since  $f$  is a linear combination of monomials of the form  $t_{(i)}$ , one can substitute instead of  $t_i$  elements of  $B$  and calculate  $f$  using the multiplication of the algebra  $A$ . So, we obtain a map  $f_B : B \otimes \cdots \otimes B \rightarrow A$  defined by

$$f_B(b_1, \dots, b_k) = f(b_1, \dots, b_k).$$

Sometimes we endow  $A$  by several multiplications. In such cases, we will write  $f_B^\circ$  instead of  $f_B$  when  $A$  is considered with multiplication  $\circ$ . Notice that  $B$  may be not closed under multiplication  $\circ$ . Whenever it is clear from the context, we reduce the notation  $f_B$  to  $f$ .

We endow the space of differential operators  $\text{Diff}(n)$  by three multiplications:  $\cdot$ ,  $\circ$  and  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  stand for composition, right-symmetric multiplication and commutators. We will sometimes write  $f_{W(n)} = f$  and  $f_{W(n)}^\circ = f^{r\text{sym}.r}$ .

Define a multiplication  $\bullet: \text{Diff}(n) \otimes \text{Diff}(n) \rightarrow \text{Diff}(n)$  by setting

$$u\partial^\alpha \bullet v\partial^\beta = \sum_{\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, \gamma \neq 0} \binom{\beta}{\gamma} v\partial^{\beta-\gamma}(u)\partial^{\alpha+\gamma}, \text{ for any } \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n.$$

Let us extend the right-symmetric multiplication  $\circ$  from the space of first order differential operators to the space of all differential operators by setting

$$u\partial^\alpha \circ v\partial^\beta = v\partial^\beta(u)\partial^\alpha.$$

Let  $\mathcal{D} = L_{-1}$ . A polynomial  $f = f(t_1, \dots, t_k)$  or, more precisely,  $f_{\text{Diff}(n)}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant if

$$[f(X_1, \dots, X_k), \partial_i] = \sum_{s=1}^k f(X_1, \dots, X_{s-1}, [X_s, \partial_i], X_{s+1}, \dots, X_k)$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in \text{Diff}(n)$  and  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Here we do not specify what multiplication in  $\text{Diff}(n)$  we use in the calculation of  $f_{\text{Diff}(n)}$  because

$$[X, \partial_i] = X \cdot \partial_i - \partial_i \cdot X = X \circ \partial_i - \partial_i \circ X, \text{ for any } X \in \text{Diff}(n).$$

By this observation,  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariance of  $f_{\text{Diff}(n)}$  and  $f_{\text{Diff}(n)}^\circ$  are equivalent notions.

For  $X = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^n - +} u_\alpha \partial^\alpha \in \text{Diff}(n)$ , where  $u_\alpha \in U$ , set

$$|X| = \text{the highest degree with respect to } \partial$$

and

$$||X|| = \text{the lowest degree with respect to } \partial.$$

Obviously,

$$|X + Y| \geq \min\{|X|, |Y|\}, \quad ||X + Y|| \leq \max\{||X||, ||Y||\} \text{ for any } X, Y \in \text{Diff}(n).$$

For any  $X, Y \in \text{Diff}(n)$  we have

$$X \cdot Y = X \circ Y + X \bullet Y, \quad |X \bullet Y| > |X| \text{ if } X \bullet Y \neq 0. \quad (1)$$

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in \text{Diff}(n)$  be such that  $|X_i| \geq s$  for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  and  $||s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)|| \leq s$ . Then

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = pr_s(s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)),$$

where  $pr_s$  is the projection onto the space  $\langle u\partial^\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |\alpha| = s \rangle$ .

*Proof.* By formula (1) we can express the composition  $X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(k)}$  as a linear combination of elements of the form  $X'_\sigma = (\dots((X_{\sigma(1)} \circ X_{\sigma(2)}) \dots) \circ X_{\sigma(k)})$ , without any  $\bullet$ , and elements of the form  $X''_\sigma = (\dots((X_{\sigma(1)} \star X_{\sigma(2)}) \dots) \star X_{\sigma(k)})$ , where  $\star = \circ$  or  $\bullet$  and the number of the  $\bullet$ 's is at least one. Notice that  $|X \bullet Y| > |X|$  if  $|X \bullet Y| \neq 0$ . Therefore,

$$|X''_\sigma| > s, \quad \text{if } X''_\sigma \neq 0.$$

Since

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_k} X'_\sigma + X''_\sigma,$$

$$\|s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)\| \leq s, \quad \left| \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_k} \text{sign } \sigma X'_\sigma \right| \geq s, \quad \left| \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_k} \text{sign } \sigma X''_\sigma \right| > s,$$

it follows that

$$\|s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)\| = |s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)| = s$$

and

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = pr_s(s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)).$$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Suppose that  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) \in W(n)$  for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ . Then*

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) = s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k).$$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $s_k = s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}$  on  $W(n)$  and  $D$  a derivation of  $(\text{Diff}(n), \cdot)$  that preserves  $W(n)$ . Then  $D$  is a derivation of the  $k$ -algebra  $(W(n), s_k^{r\text{sym}.r})$ , i.e.,*

$$D(s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)) = \sum_{i=1}^k s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k)$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$D(s_k^{r\text{sym}.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)) =$$

(corollary 3.2)

$$= D(s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)) =$$

(since  $D \in \text{Der } \text{Diff}(n)$ )

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k s_k(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k).$$

Since  $D(W(n)) \subseteq W(n)$  by hypothesis,

$$s_k(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k) \in W(n)$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ . Thus by corollary 3.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & s_k(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k) \\ &= s_k^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$  we have

$$D(s_k^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_k)) = \sum_{i=1}^k s_k^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, D(X_i), X_{i+1}, \dots, X_k).$$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $s_k = s_k^{rsym.r}$  on  $W(n)$ . Then for any  $X \in W(n)$  the derivation  $ad X$  generates also a derivation of  $(W(n), s_k^{rsym.r})$ . In particular,  $ad X$  is a derivation of the algebra  $(W(n), s_{n^2+2n-2})$ . Similarly,  $ad X$  is a derivation of  $(S(2), s_5)$  for any  $X \in S(2)$ .*

## 4. How to calculate $L_{-1}$ -invariants

### 4.1. $(L, U)$ -modules

Let  $L = W(n)$  and  $U = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  with the standard grading and  $M$  a graded  $L$ -module. The subspace of  $L_{-1}$ -invariants,  $M_0 = M^{L_{-1}} = \langle m \in M \mid (m)\partial_i = 0 \rangle$ , has a natural structure of an  $L_0$ -module. Make  $M_0$  into an  $\mathcal{L}_0$ -module by setting  $\mathcal{L}_1 M_0 = 0$ . Call the  $\mathcal{L}_0$ -module  $M_0$  the *base* of the  $L$ -module  $M$ .

Let  $M$  an  $(L, U)$ -module, if  $M$  is a right  $U$ -module such that

$$(mu)X = m[u, X] + (mX)u, \text{ for any } m \in M, u \in U, X \in L.$$

Let  $M$  be an  $(L, U)$ -module. Call  $M$  an  $(L, U)$ -module with base  $M_0 = M^{L_{-1}}$  if  $M$ , as a  $U$ -module, is a free module with base  $M_0$ .

The main construction of  $(L, U)$ -modules ([16]) is the following. Let  $M_0$  be an  $\mathcal{L}_0$ -module such that  $M_0 \mathcal{L}_1 = 0$ . Set

$$M = \text{Hom}_{U(\mathcal{L}_0)}^{poly}(U(L), M_0) \simeq U \otimes M_0.$$

Clearly,  $M = T^{poly}(M_0)$  is the space of tensor fields with polynomials coefficients with fiber  $M_0$ .

**Examples.**  $U = T^{poly}(\mathbb{K})$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is the trivial  $L_0$ -module, is the space of functions;  $(L, U)$ -module  $L$  itself has base  $L_{-1}$ , the dual to the identity representation of  $L_0$ .

If  $L = S_{n-1}$ , then the adjoint module has no structure of an  $(L, U)$ -module.

We will use realization of  $(L, U)$ -modules given in [2]. Notice that our construction is general than Rudakov's construction. For example, in case of two-sided Witt algebras  $(L, U)$ -modules in our sense can not be obtained as a co-induced modules. The algorithm how to calculate  $L_{-1}$ -invariants [2] is given below.

## 4.2. Escorts and supports

Let  $\epsilon_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  (all coordinates except  $i$ -th are 0). Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be the root system on  $W(n)$  with respect to Cartan subalgebra spanned by  $\{x_i \partial_i | i = 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\alpha^1, \dots, \alpha^k \in \mathcal{E}$ . Then

$$[x_i \partial_i, x^\beta \partial_j] = (\beta_i - \delta_{i,j}) x^\beta \partial_j.$$

So, we can identify any root with  $n$ -tuple  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \epsilon_i$ , where  $-1 \leq \alpha_i$ , for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . For  $\alpha \in \mathcal{E}$  denote by

$$L_\alpha = \langle x^{\alpha + \epsilon_i} \partial_i | i = 1, \dots, n \rangle$$

its root space.

Assign to any  $\psi \in T^k(L, L)$  a polylinear map  $\text{esc}(\psi) \in T^k(L, L_{-1})$ , called the *escort* of  $\psi$ , by the rule

$$\text{esc}(\psi)(X_1, \dots, X_k) = \psi(X_1, \dots, X_k),$$

if  $X_i \in L_{\alpha^i}$ , and  $\alpha^1 + \dots + \alpha^k = -\epsilon_s$  for some  $s = 1, \dots, n$ . Here  $\alpha^1, \dots, \alpha^k$  are some roots from  $\mathcal{E}$ . If  $\alpha^1 + \dots + \alpha^k \neq -\epsilon_s$  for any  $s \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then set

$$\text{esc}(\psi)(X_1, \dots, X_k) = 0.$$

So, having defined  $\text{esc}(\psi)(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  for root elements  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  we extend  $\text{esc}(\psi)(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  by polylinearity to any  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ . We see that  $\text{esc}(\psi) \in T(L, L_{-1})$  if and only if  $\psi$  is of degree 0.

Observe that  $-\epsilon_s$  can only be represented as a sum of  $k$  roots in finitely many ways. Therefore, the space

$$\text{supp}_s = \bigoplus_{\alpha^1, \dots, \alpha^k \in \mathcal{E}, \alpha^1 + \dots + \alpha^k = -\epsilon_s} L_{\alpha^1} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\alpha^k},$$

called the *s-support of  $\psi$*  or just *s-support*, is finite dimensional for any  $s \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Call

$$\text{supp} = \bigoplus_{s=1}^n \text{supp}_s$$

the *support*. So, the escort of any  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant  $\mathcal{E}$ -graded map  $\psi \in T^k(L, L)$  of degree 0 is uniquely defined by the restriction to its support.

Let  $V(L)$  be the monomial basis of  $L = W(n)$  consisting of the vectors of the form  $x^\alpha \partial_i$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Denote by  $V$  the basis of  $\text{supp}$  obtained by tensoring the basis vectors of  $V(L)$ . We will write  $(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  instead of  $a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_k$ . So,

$$V = \bigcup_{s=1}^n V_s,$$

where

$$V_s = \{(a_1, \dots, a_k) \mid a_l \in V(L_{\alpha^l}), \alpha^l \in \mathcal{E}, \text{ where } \alpha^1 + \dots + \alpha^k = -\epsilon_s, l = 1, \dots, k\}.$$

As was shown in [2], any  $\mathcal{E}$ -graded  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant map can be uniquely recovered by its escort. Namely,

$$\psi(X_1, \dots, X_k) = \sum_{(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in V} E_{a_1}(X_1) \cdots E_{a_k}(X_k) \text{esc}(\psi)(a_1, \dots, a_k), \quad (2)$$

where

$$E_{x^\alpha \partial_i}(v \partial_j) = \delta_{i,j} \frac{\partial^\alpha(v)}{\alpha!}.$$

### 4.3. Cup-products

Given an algebra  $A$  with multiplication  $\star$ , define the cup-product on the space  $T^*(A, A)$  by setting

$$\psi \smile \phi(a_1, \dots, a_{k+l}) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{k,l}} \text{sign } \sigma \psi(a_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(k)}) \star \phi(a_{\sigma(k+1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(k+l)})$$

for  $\psi \in T^k(A, A)$  and  $\phi \in T^l(A, A)$  then define  $\psi \smile \phi \in T^{k+l}(A, A)$ , where

$$\mathfrak{S}_{k,l} = \{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{k+l} \mid \sigma(1) < \cdots < \sigma(k), \quad \sigma(k+1) < \cdots < \sigma(k+l)\}.$$

Suppose that  $A$  has an associative multiplication  $\cdot$  and a right-symmetric multiplication  $\circ$ . Denote by  $\smile$  and  $\circ$  cup-products induced by multiplications  $\cdot$  and  $\circ$  correspondingly.

If  $B$  is a subspace of  $A$  then one can consider cup-products

$$\smile: C^*(B, A) \times C^*(B, A) \rightarrow C^*(B, A).$$

We use the cup-products for  $A = \text{Diff}(n)$  and  $B = W(n)$  or  $S(n)$ . Sometimes the cup-product of  $\psi \in C^k(A, B)$  and  $\phi \in C^l(A, B)$  lies in  $C^{k+l}(B, B)$ . Such fortunate situations occur in calculating of  $s_{k+l}$  for sufficiently large  $k+l$ .

## 5. Sufficient condition for a $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant form with skew-symmetric arguments to be zero

**Lemma 5.1.** *Consider the following problem of linear programming*

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{i=-1}^m x_i = r, & 0 < x_i \leq l_i, \quad i = -1, 0, \dots, m-1, \\ f(x_{-1}, x_0, \dots, x_m) := \sum_{i=-1}^m i x_i \rightarrow \min. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\min f(x_{-1}, x_0, \dots, x_m) = mr - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} (m-i)x_i$$

and this value is attained for  $x_{-1} = l_{-1}, x_0 = l_0, \dots, x_{m-1} = l_{m-1}$  and  $x_m = r - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} l_i$ .

*Proof.* Since  $x_m = r - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} x_i$ , it follows that

$$f(x_{-1}, x_0, \dots, x_m) = mr - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} (m-i)x_i.$$

Thus,

$$f(x_{-1}, x_0, \dots, x_m) \leq mr - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} (m-i)l_i$$

and the inequality can be converted to equality if  $x_i = l_i, i = -1, 0, \dots, m-1$ , and  $x_m = r - \sum_{i=-1}^{m-1} l_i$ .

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $A = \oplus_{i \geq -1} A_i$  be graded algebra,  $\mathcal{D} = A_{-1}$ , and  $M = \oplus_{i \geq q} M_i$  be  $\mathcal{D}$ -graded module,

$$A_{-1}M_i \subseteq M_{i-1}, \quad i \geq q,$$

such that  $A^{\mathcal{D}} = A_{-1}$  and  $M^{\mathcal{D}} = M_q$ . Suppose that  $\psi \in T^k(A, M)$  is a 0-graded polylinear map and skew-symmetric in  $r$  arguments. Let  $i_0$  be number such that

$$\sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} \dim A_i \leq r < \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0+1} \dim A_i.$$

If

$$k + q < r(i_0 + 2) - \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} (i_0 + 1 - i) \dim A_i$$

and  $\psi$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant then  $\psi = 0$ .

*Proof.* We prove that  $\text{esc}(\psi) = 0$ . Suppose that it is not true and  $\psi \neq 0$ . Then there exist homogeneous  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in A$  such that  $\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \neq 0$  and  $|a_1| + \dots + |a_k|$  is minimal. We have

$$\psi \in T^k(A, M)^{\mathcal{D}} \Rightarrow$$

$$\partial_i \psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) = \sum_{j=1}^k \psi(a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}, \partial_i(a_j), a_{j+1}, \dots, a_k).$$

As  $|a_1| + \dots + |a_k|$  is minimal with property  $\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \neq 0$  and

$$|a_1| + \dots + |a_k| > |a_1| + \dots + |a_{j-1}| + |\partial_i(a_j)| + |a_{j+1}| + \dots + |a_k|,$$

we obtain that

$$0 \neq \psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in M^{\mathcal{D}} = M_q.$$

Since  $\psi$  is graded with degree 0, this means that we can choose homogeneous elements  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in A$  such that

$$\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \neq 0, \quad |a_1| + \dots + |a_k| = |\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k)| = q.$$

As  $\psi$  is skew-symmetric in  $r$  arguments, the set  $\{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$  should have at least  $r$  linear independent elements. Denote them by  $a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_r}$ .

Suppose that among  $a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_r}$  there are  $l_i$  elements of  $A_i$ . Then

$$r = \sum_{i \geq -1} l_i \quad (3)$$

and

$$l_i \leq \dim A_i. \quad (4)$$

Since  $r \leq \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0+1} l_i$ , from (3) it follows that

$$l_i = 0, \quad i > i_0 + 1$$

and

$$r = \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0+1} l_i. \quad (5)$$

So, among elements  $a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_r}$  there are  $l_{-1}$  elements of degree  $-1$ ,  $l_0$  elements of degree 0, etc,  $l_{i_0}$  elements of degree  $i_0$  and finally  $r - \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0} l_i \geq r - \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0} \dim A_i$  elements of degree  $i_0 + 1$ . Since  $|a_i| \geq -1$  for any  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , we obtain that

$$|\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k)| = \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i| \geq (-1)(k-r) + \sum_{s=-1}^r |a_{i_s}| \geq f(l_{-1}, l_0, \dots, l_{i_0+1}),$$

where

$$f(l_{-1}, l_0, \dots, l_{i_0+1}) = r - k + \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0+1} i l_i.$$

According to lemma 5.1 and our condition,

$$\min f(l_{-1}, l_0, \dots, l_{i_0+1}) = r - k + (i_0 + 1)r - \sum_{i=-1}^{i_0+1} (i_0 + 1 - i) \dim A_i > q.$$

Therefore,

$$|\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k)| > q.$$

In particular,

$$\psi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \notin M^{\mathcal{D}},$$

which is a contradiction.

**Corollary 5.3.** *Let  $\psi \in T^9(S(2), S(2))$  be a  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant 0-graded form with 8 skew-symmetric arguments. Then  $\psi = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $S(2)$  denotes the subalgebra of  $W(2)$  consisting of derivations with divergence 0. Let  $A = S(2)$ . Then  $\dim A_{-1} = 2, \dim A_0 = 3, \dim A_1 = 4$ , since  $A_{-1} = \langle \partial_1, \partial_2 \rangle$ ,  $A_0 = \langle x_1 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1 \rangle$ ,  $A_1 = \langle x_2^2 \partial_1, x_1^2 \partial_1 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_1, x_1^2 \partial_2 \rangle$ . Thus,

$$\dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 = 2 + 3 \leq r = 8 < \dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 + \dim A_1 = 2 + 3 + 4.$$

In other words,  $i_0 = 0$  for  $r = 8$ . Furthermore, for  $k = 9, q = -1, r = 8, i_0 = 0$ . We see that

$$k + q = 8 < 9 = r(i_0 + 2) - \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} (i_0 + 1 - i) \dim A_i = 8(0 + 2) - 2 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 3.$$

Therefore, all conditions of theorem 5.2 are fulfilled and  $\psi = 0$  for  $A = S(2)$ .

**Corollary 5.4.** *Let  $\psi \in T^{11}(W(2), W(2))$  be a  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant form with 10 skew-symmetric arguments. Then  $\psi = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Take  $A = W(2)$ . Then  $\dim A_{-1} = 2, \dim A_0 = 4, \dim A_1 = 6$ , since  $A_{-1} = \langle \partial_1, \partial_2 \rangle$ ,  $A_0 = \langle x_i \partial_j : i, j = 1, 2 \rangle$ ,  $A_1 = \langle x_i x_j \partial_s : i, j, s = 1, 2, i \leq j \rangle$ . For  $r = 10, k = 11, q = -1$  we see that

$$\dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 = 2 + 4 \leq r = 10 < \dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 + \dim A_1 = 2 + 4 + 6.$$

Hence  $i_0 = 0$ , and

$$k + q = 10 < 12 = r(i_0 + 2) - \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} (i_0 + 1 - i) \dim A_i = 10(0 + 2) - 2 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 4.$$

Therefore, by theorem 5.2,  $\psi = 0$  on  $A = W(2)$ .

**Corollary 5.5.**  *$s_k = 0$  is an identity on  $W(n)$ , if  $k \geq n^2 + 2n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A = W(n)$ .

We have  $\dim A_{-1} = n, \dim A_0 = n^2, \dim A_1 = n^2(n + 1)/2$ . We see that for  $r = k \geq n^2 + 2n$ ,

$$\dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 = n + n^2 \leq r.$$

Therefore  $i_0 \geq 0$ . Hence, if  $i_0 = 0$  then

$$k + q = r - 1 < r + r - 2n - n^2 = r(0 + 2) - 2 \dim A_{-1} - \dim A_0.$$

If  $i_0 > 0, n > 1$ , then  $2 \dim A_{-1} \leq \dim A_1$  and

$$r(i_0 + 2) - \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} (i_0 + 1 - i) \dim A_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= r - 2 \dim A_{-1} + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq i_0} i \dim A_i + (i_0 + 1)(r - \sum_{-1 \leq i \leq i_0} \dim A_i) \\
&\geq r - 2 \dim A_{-1} + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq i_0} i \dim A_i > r - 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $s_k$  are graded  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant of degree 0. Let  $\psi$  be a composition of  $s_k$  with the projection onto  $M = \langle u\partial^\alpha, |\alpha| = q \rangle$ . We see that  $\psi$  and  $M$  obey the hypotheses of theorem 5.2, if  $n > 1$ .

If  $n = 1$ , it is easy to check that  $s_3 = 0$ , and  $s_k = 0$ , for any  $k > 3$ .

So, we have proved  $\psi = 0$  for  $A = W(n)$ .

**Corollary 5.6.** *Let  $\psi \in T^{2n^2+4n-5}(W(n), W(n))$ ,  $n > 1$ , be skew-symmetric in  $r \geq (3n^2 + 6n - 5)/2$  arguments. Then  $\psi = 0$ . In particular,  $(W(n), s_{n^2+2n-2})$  is  $(n^2 + 2n - 3)$ -left commutative.*

*Proof.* Let  $A = W(n)$ . For  $q = -1, k = 2n^2 + 4n - 5, r \geq (3n^2 + 6n - 5)/2$ , it is easy to see that  $i_0 \geq 0$ .

Check that the case  $i_0 > 0$  is impossible. If  $n = 2$  then we obtain a contradiction with the conditions

$$r \leq k = 11$$

and

$$\dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 + \dim A_1 = 12 \leq r.$$

Let  $n > 2$ . Then we will have

$$\dim A_{-1} + \dim A_0 + \dim A_1 = n + n^2 + n^2(n+1)/2 \leq r < k = 2n^2 + 4n - 5,$$

and

$$n^3 - n^2 - 6n + 5 \leq 0.$$

For  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$n^3 - n^2 - 6n + 5 \geq 2n^2 - 6n + 5 > 0,$$

and again obtain a contradiction.

So,  $i_0 = 0$ . Then

$$k + q = 2n^2 + 4n - 6 < 2n^2 + 4n - 5 \leq 2r - 2 \dim A_{-1} - \dim A_0.$$

Hence, the condition of theorem 5.2 is satisfied. Thus,  $\psi = 0$  for  $A = W(n)$ .

Notice that  $2(n^2 + 2n - 3) \geq (3n^2 + 6n - 5)/2$  if  $n > 1$ . Therefore, the  $(n^2 + 2n - 3)$ -left commutativity condition, as a condition for a  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant form with  $2(n^2 + 2n - 3)$  skew-symmetric arguments, is an identity on  $W(n)$ .

## 6. Invariant $N$ -operation on vector fields

Let  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_{n-1}$  are fundamental weights of  $sl_n$ . Let  $R(\gamma)$  be irreducible  $sl_n$ -module with highest weight  $\gamma$ .

**Lemma 6.1.** *The  $sl_n$ -module  $\wedge^{n-2}(R(2\pi_1) \otimes R(\pi_{n-1}))$  does not contain  $R(2\pi_{n-1})$  as a submodule.*

*Proof.* I am grateful to R. Howe for the following elegant proof of this lemma.

One can argue that the full  $(n-2)$  tensor power of  $R(2\pi_1) \otimes R(\pi_{n-1})$  does not contain  $R(2\pi_{n-1})$ . Indeed, the  $(n-2)$  tensor power of this tensor product is equal to the tensor product of the  $(n-2)$  tensor powers of each factor.

The representation  $R(2\pi_1)$  corresponds to the diagram with one row of length two. The representation  $R(\pi_{n-1})$  corresponds to the diagram with one column of length  $n-1$ . So, the question then becomes, does the Young diagram with  $n-3$  columns of length  $n$ , and two columns of length  $n-1$ , appear in the indicated tensor product?

Since the diagram of  $R(\pi_{n-1})$  has only one column, all of the components of its  $(n-2)$  tensor power will have at most  $(n-2)$  columns. Since the diagram of  $R(2\pi_1)$  has only one row, all the components of its  $(n-2)$  tensor power will contain at most  $n-2$  rows. Now taking the tensor product of these two representations, we can say that all components of the tensor product will have diagrams which fit in an  $\Gamma$ -shaped region with  $(n-2)$  columns and  $(n-2)$  rows. But the diagram of the representation we are asking about does not fit in to this region, so it cannot be a component.

**Corollary 6.2.**  $s_{n^2+2n-2}$  has no quadratic differential part on  $W(n)$ .

*Proof.* Since, as  $sl_n$ -modules,

$$L_1 \cong R(2\pi_1 + \pi_{n-1}) \oplus R(\pi_1) \cong R(2\pi_1) \otimes R(\pi_{n-1}),$$

we obtain an isomorphism of  $sl_n$ -modules

$$\wedge^k L_1 \cong \wedge^k (R(2\pi_1) \otimes R(\pi_{n-1})).$$

Consider the homomorphism of  $sl_n$ -modules

$$\rho_{k,s} : \wedge^{k-n^2-n} L_1 \rightarrow R(s\pi_{n-1}),$$

induced by

$$\rho(X_1 \wedge \dots \wedge X_{k-n^2-n})$$

$$= pr_s(s_{k, \text{Diff}(n)}(\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n, x_1 \partial_1, \dots, x_n \partial_1, \dots, x_1 \partial_n, \dots, x_n \partial_n, X_1, \dots, X_{k-n^2-n})),$$

where  $pr_s : \text{Diff}(n) \rightarrow \langle \partial^\alpha : |\alpha| = s \rangle \cong R(s\pi_{n-1})$  is the projection map.

Since  $\wedge^n L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^{n^2} L_0 \cong \mathbb{C}$ , it is clear that  $\rho_{n^2+2n-2,2}$  should give a homomorphism of  $\wedge^{n-2}(R(\pi_1) \otimes R(\pi_1 + \pi_{n-1}))$  to  $R(2\pi_{n-1})$ . By lemma 6.1 this homomorphism is trivial. Thus,

$$s_{n^2+2n-2}(X_1, \dots, X_{n^2+2n-2}) \in W(n) \text{ for any } X_1, \dots, X_{n^2+2n-2} \in W(n).$$

**Lemma 6.3.** *If  $k = n^2 + 2n - 2$  and  $k = n^2 + 2n - 1$ , then  $s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k) \in W(n)$  for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ .*

*Proof.* For  $k = n^2 + 2n - 2$  this follows from corollary 6.2. For  $k = n^2 + 2n - 1$  we see that  $\text{esc}(s_k)$  has support  $\wedge^n L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^{n^2-1} L_0 \otimes \wedge^{n-1} L_1$  and  $s_k(\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n, a_1, \dots, a_{n^2-1}, X_1, \dots, X_{n-1})$ , where  $a_1, \dots, a_{n^2-1} \in L_0$ ,  $X_1, \dots, X_{n-1} \in L_1$ , never gives quadratic terms, as

$$|s_k(\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n, a_1, \dots, a_{n^2-1}, X_1, \dots, X_{n-1})| = -1.$$

## 7. The quadratic differential parts for $k$ -commutators in two variables

Let  $\text{Diff}_s(n)$  be the subspace of differential operators of order  $s$ , and  $pr_s : \text{Diff}(n) \rightarrow \text{Diff}_s(n)$  the projection.

**Lemma 7.1.** *For any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(2)$ ,*

$$pr_l(s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)) = 0,$$

*if  $l > 2$ .*

*Proof.* If  $k > 6$  then by corollary 5.5 and lemma 12.1,  $s_k = 0$  is an identity. If  $k = 6$ , then  $s_{k,W(2)}$  has only a linear part. If  $k \leq 5$  then  $s_k$  can be decomposed into a cup-product of  $s_2$  and  $s_{k-2}$ . We know that  $s_2$  can only give differential operators of first order. So,  $s_3 = s_2 \smile s_1$  and  $s_4 = s_2 \smile s_2$  can give differential operators at most second order. As far as  $s_5 = s_3 \smile s_2$ , the following reasoning shows that the differential operators of third order can not be represented as  $s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5)$  for any  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \in W(2)$ . For  $L = W(2)$ , support for an escort map of  $pr_l s_5$  with a maximal  $l$  should contain  $\{\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, a, b, c\}$ , where  $a, b, c \in L_0$ . Easy calculations then show that  $l \leq 2$  if  $k = 5$ .

**Remark.** One can prove that if  $l > n$  then  $pr_l(s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)) = 0$  for any  $k$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in W(n)$ .

**Lemma 7.2.**

$$\begin{aligned} & pr_2(s_3(X_1, X_2, X_3)) \\ &= - \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 \\ \partial_2((x_1)X_1) & \partial_2((x_1)X_2) & \partial_2((x_1)X_3) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1^2 \\ &+ \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 \\ \partial_1((x_1)X_1) & \partial_1((x_1)X_2) & \partial_1((x_1)X_3) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 \\ \partial_2((x_2)X_1) & \partial_2((x_2)X_2) & \partial_2((x_2)X_3) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_2 \\
& + \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 \\ \partial_1((x_2)X_1) & \partial_1((x_2)X_2) & \partial_1((x_2)X_3) \end{vmatrix} \partial_2^2,
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $X_1, X_2, X_3 \in W(2)$ .

**Lemma 7.3.**

$$\begin{aligned}
& pr_2(s_4(X_1, \dots, X_4)) \\
& = -2 \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 \\ \partial_1((x_1)X_1) & \partial_1((x_1)X_2) & \partial_1((x_1)X_3) & \partial_1((x_1)X_4) \\ \partial_2((x_1)X_1) & \partial_2((x_1)X_2) & \partial_2((x_1)X_3) & \partial_2((x_1)X_4) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1^2 \\
& -2 \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 \\ \partial_1((x_1)X_1) & \partial_1((x_1)X_2) & \partial_1((x_1)X_3) & \partial_1((x_1)X_4) \\ \partial_2((x_2)X_1) & \partial_2((x_2)X_2) & \partial_2((x_2)X_3) & \partial_2((x_2)X_4) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_2 \\
& -2 \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 \\ \partial_1((x_2)X_1) & \partial_1((x_2)X_2) & \partial_1((x_2)X_3) & \partial_1((x_2)X_4) \\ \partial_2((x_1)X_1) & \partial_2((x_1)X_2) & \partial_2((x_1)X_3) & \partial_2((x_1)X_4) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_2 \\
& -2 \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 \\ \partial_1((x_2)X_1) & \partial_1((x_2)X_2) & \partial_1((x_2)X_3) & \partial_1((x_2)X_4) \\ \partial_2((x_2)X_1) & \partial_2((x_2)X_2) & \partial_2((x_2)X_3) & \partial_2((x_2)X_4) \end{vmatrix} \partial_2^2,
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_4 \in W(2)$ .

**Lemma 7.4.**

$$\begin{aligned}
& pr_2(s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5)) \\
& = - \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 & (x_1)X_5 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 & (x_2)X_5 \\ \partial_1((x_1)X_1) & \partial_1((x_1)X_2) & \partial_1((x_1)X_3) & \partial_1((x_1)X_4) & \partial_1((x_1)X_5) \\ \partial_2((x_2)X_1) & \partial_2((x_2)X_2) & \partial_2((x_2)X_3) & \partial_2((x_2)X_4) & \partial_2((x_2)X_5) \\ \partial_2((x_1)X_1) & \partial_2((x_1)X_2) & \partial_2((x_1)X_3) & \partial_2((x_1)X_4) & \partial_2((x_1)X_5) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1^2 \\
& - \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 & (x_1)X_5 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 & (x_2)X_5 \\ \text{Div } X_1 & \text{Div } X_2 & \text{Div } X_3 & \text{Div } X_4 & \text{Div } X_5 \\ \partial_2((x_1)X_1) & \partial_2((x_1)X_2) & \partial_2((x_1)X_3) & \partial_2((x_1)X_4) & \partial_2((x_1)X_5) \\ \partial_1((x_2)X_1) & \partial_1((x_2)X_2) & \partial_1((x_2)X_3) & \partial_1((x_2)X_4) & \partial_1((x_2)X_5) \end{vmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_2
\end{aligned}$$

$$- \begin{vmatrix} (x_1)X_1 & (x_1)X_2 & (x_1)X_3 & (x_1)X_4 & (x_1)X_5 \\ (x_2)X_1 & (x_2)X_2 & (x_2)X_3 & (x_2)X_4 & (x_2)X_5 \\ \partial_1((x_1)X_1) & \partial_1((x_1)X_2) & \partial_1((x_1)X_3) & \partial_1((x_1)X_4) & \partial_1((x_1)X_5) \\ \partial_2((x_2)X_1) & \partial_2((x_2)X_2) & \partial_2((x_2)X_3) & \partial_2((x_2)X_4) & \partial_2((x_2)X_5) \\ \partial_1((x_2)X_1) & \partial_1((x_2)X_2) & \partial_1((x_2)X_3) & \partial_1((x_2)X_4) & \partial_1((x_2)X_5) \end{vmatrix} \partial_2^2,$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \in W(2)$ .

To prove these statements one needs to calculate their escorts. A sufficient number of examples of similar calculations will be given below.

## 8. Exact formula for 5-commutator

**Theorem 8.1.** *Let  $U$  be an associative commutative algebra with two commuting derivations  $\partial_1$  and  $\partial_2$ . Then*

$$s_5(D_{12}(u_1), D_{12}(u_2), D_{12}(u_3), D_{12}(u_4), D_{12}(u_5)) = -3D_{12}([u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5]),$$

for any  $u_1, \dots, u_5 \in U$ , where

$$[u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5] = \begin{vmatrix} \partial_1 u_1 & \partial_1 u_2 & \partial_1 u_3 & \partial_1 u_4 & \partial_1 u_5 \\ \partial_2 u_1 & \partial_2 u_2 & \partial_2 u_3 & \partial_2 u_4 & \partial_2 u_5 \\ \partial_1^2 u_1 & \partial_1^2 u_2 & \partial_1^2 u_3 & \partial_1^2 u_4 & \partial_1^2 u_5 \\ \partial_1 \partial_2 u_1 & \partial_1 \partial_2 u_2 & \partial_1 \partial_2 u_3 & \partial_1 \partial_2 u_4 & \partial_1 \partial_2 u_5 \\ \partial_2^2 u_1 & \partial_2^2 u_2 & \partial_2^2 u_3 & \partial_2^2 u_4 & \partial_2^2 u_5 \end{vmatrix}$$

and  $D_{12}(u) = \partial_1(u)\partial_2 - \partial_2(u)\partial_1$ .

*Proof.* By polynomial principle [6] we can assume that  $U = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2]$  with  $\partial_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$  and  $\partial_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$ .

Let  $L_i$  be graded components for  $S(2) = \langle X \in W_2 : \text{Div } X = 0 \rangle$  and  $a, b, c \in L_0, X \in L_1$ . Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{r\text{sym},r}(\partial_i, a, X) &= [\partial_i, a] \circ X + [a, X] \circ \partial_i + [X, \partial_i] \circ a \\ &= -a \circ \partial_i X + X \circ \partial_i a \in L_0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, a, b, X) \\ &= -s_3^{r\text{sym},r}(\partial_1, b, X) \circ \partial_2(a) + s_3^{r\text{sym},r}(\partial_2, b, X) \circ \partial_1(a) \\ & \quad + s_3^{r\text{sym},r}(\partial_1, a, X) \circ \partial_2(b) - s_3^{r\text{sym},r}(\partial_2, a, X) \circ \partial_1(b) \\ &= +(b \circ \partial_1 X - X \circ \partial_1 b) \circ \partial_2 a - (b \circ \partial_2 X - X \circ \partial_2 b) \circ \partial_1 a \\ & \quad + (X \circ \partial_1 a - a \circ \partial_1 X) \circ \partial_2 b - (X \circ \partial_2 a - a \circ \partial_2 X) \circ \partial_1 b \\ &= -(a \circ \partial_1 X - X \circ \partial_1 a) \circ \partial_2 b + (a \circ \partial_2 X - X \circ \partial_2 a) \circ \partial_1 b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +(b \circ \partial_1 X - X \circ \partial_1 b) \circ \partial_2 a - (b \circ \partial_2 X - X \circ \partial_2 b) \circ \partial_1 a \\
& = -a \circ [\partial_1 X, \partial_2 b] + [X, \partial_2 b] \circ \partial_1 a + a \circ [\partial_2 X, \partial_1 b] - [X, \partial_1 b] \circ \partial_2 a \\
& + b \circ [\partial_1 X, \partial_2 a] - [X, \partial_2 a] \circ \partial_1 b - b \circ [\partial_2 X, \partial_1 a] + [X, \partial_1 a] \circ \partial_2 b.
\end{aligned}$$

We see that non-zero components for  $\text{esc}(s_5)$  are

$$\begin{aligned}
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_2) &= 6\partial_2, \\
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2) &= 6\partial_1, \\
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2) &= -6\partial_2, \\
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_1) &= -6\partial_1, \\
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_1) &= -6\partial_2, \\
s_5(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_1) &= -6\partial_1.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to check, that

$$\text{esc}(s_5^{r\text{sym},r})(D_{12}(u_1), \dots, D_{12}(u_5)) = -3pr_{-1} D_{12}([u_1, \dots, u_5]),$$

for any  $u_1, \dots, u_5 \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2]$ , such that  $|u_1| + \dots + |u_5| = 11$ .

It remains to use (2) for  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant form  $s_5^{r\text{sym},r}$  and use lemma 7.4.

## 9. 5-commutator of adjoint derivations

**Lemma 9.1.** *Let  $U$  be  $\{\partial_1, \partial_2\}$ -differential algebra, i.e., an associative commutative algebra with two commuting derivations  $\partial_1, \partial_2$ , and  $S(2)$  be the subspace of vector fields without divergence of  $W(2)$ . Then*

$$\text{ad } s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) = s_5(\text{ad } X_1, \dots, \text{ad } X_5),$$

for any  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2)$ .

**Proof.** Consider a multilinear polynomial  $f$  with 6 variables defined by

$$f(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_5) = (t_0) s_5^{\text{ad}}(t_1, \dots, t_5) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_5} \text{sign } \sigma [\dots [t_0, t_{\sigma(1)}], t_{\sigma(2)}, \dots].$$

We see that  $f$  is polylinear and skew-symmetric in all variables except the first one. Important properties for us are:  $f_{S(2)}$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant and  $\mathcal{E}$ -graded. Therefore,  $f$  can be uniquely restored from its escort. We see that

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{supp} = \text{supp}(f) &= L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^2 L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^2 L_0 \otimes L_2 \\
&\oplus L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^2 L_{-1} \otimes L_0 \otimes \wedge^2 L_1 \\
&\oplus L_{-1} \otimes L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^3 L_0 \otimes L_1 \\
&\oplus L_0 \otimes \wedge^2 L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^2 L_0 \otimes L_1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\oplus \quad L_1 \otimes \wedge^2 L_{-1} \otimes \wedge^3 L_0.$$

Here by  $L_i$  we denote the graded components for  $S(2) = \langle X \in W(2) : \text{Div } X = 0 \rangle$ .

Let  $(a, b, c) = (x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2)$ . Then

$$F := s_5^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, a, b, c) \in \text{End } W(n),$$

is defined by

$$(u_1 \partial_1 + u_2 \partial_2)F = 6(\partial_1 \partial_2(u_1) + 6\partial_2^2(u_2))\partial_1 - 6(\partial_1^2 u_1 + \partial_1 \partial_2 u_2)\partial_2. \quad (6)$$

In other words,

$$(u_1 \partial_1 + u_2 \partial_2)F = -6D_{12}(\partial_1(u_1) + \partial_2(u_2)).$$

Set  $s_k^{ad}(X_1, \dots, X_k) = s_k(ad X_1, \dots, ad X_k)$ , where  $ad : L \rightarrow \text{End } L$ .

Let us prove (6). We have

$$F = F_1 + F_2 + F_3,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, a, b) \cdot ad[\partial_2, c] + s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, b, c) \cdot ad[\partial_2, a] + s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, c, a) \cdot ad[\partial_2, b], \\ F_2 &= -s_3^{ad}(\partial_2, a, b) \cdot ad[\partial_1, c] - s_3^{ad}(\partial_2, b, c) \cdot ad[\partial_1, a] - s_3^{ad}(\partial_2, c, a) \cdot ad[\partial_1, b], \\ F_3 &= s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, a) \cdot ad[b, c] + s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, b) \cdot ad[c, a] + s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, c) \cdot ad[a, b]. \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= -s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, b, c) \cdot \partial_1 + s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, c, a) \cdot \partial_2, \\ F_2 &= s_3^{ad}(\partial_2, a, b) \cdot \partial_2 + s_3^{ad}(\partial_2, c, a) \cdot \partial_1, \\ F_3 &= -2s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, a) \cdot ad c - s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, b) \cdot ad b - 2s_3^{ad}(\partial_1, \partial_2, c) \cdot ad a. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} &F_3 \\ &= 2(\partial_1 \cdot \partial_2 a) \cdot ad c - 2(\partial_2 \cdot \partial_1 a) \cdot ad c \\ &\quad + (\partial_1 \cdot \partial_2 b) \cdot ad b - (\partial_2 \cdot \partial_1 b) \cdot ad b \\ &\quad + 2(\partial_1 \cdot \partial_2 c) \cdot ad a - 2(\partial_2 \cdot \partial_1 c) \cdot ad a \\ &= 2(\partial_1 \cdot \partial_1) \cdot ad c - (\partial_1 \cdot \partial_2) \cdot ad b - (\partial_2 \cdot \partial_1) \cdot ad b - 2(\partial_2 \cdot \partial_2) \cdot ad a \\ &= 2\partial_1^2 \cdot ad c - 2(\partial_1 \partial_2) \cdot ad b - 2\partial_2^2 \cdot ad a. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} &((u_1 \partial_1 + u_2 \partial_2)\partial_1^2)ad c \\ &= [\partial_1^2(u_1)\partial_1 + \partial_1^2(u_2)\partial_2, x_1 \partial_2] = -\partial_1^2(u_1)\partial_2, \\ &\quad (u_1 \partial_1 + u_2 \partial_2)(\partial_1 \partial_2 \cdot ad b) \\ &= [\partial_1 \partial_2(u_1)\partial_1 + \partial_1 \partial_2(u_2)\partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & ((u_1\partial_1 + u_2\partial_2)\partial_2^2)ada \\ &= [\partial_2^2(u_1)\partial_1 + \partial_2^2(u_2)\partial_2, x_2\partial_1] = -\partial_2^2(u_2)\partial_1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & (u_1\partial_1 + u_2\partial_2)F_3 \\ &= -2\partial_1^2(u_1)\partial_2 + 2\partial_2^2(u_2)\partial_1. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & (u_1\partial_1 + u_2\partial_2)(F_1 + F_2) \\ &= 4\partial_1\partial_2(u_1)\partial_1 - 4\partial_1^2(u_1)\partial_2 + 4\partial_2^2(u_2)\partial_1 - 4\partial_1\partial_2(u_2)\partial_2. \end{aligned}$$

From these expressions of  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  we obtain (6).

So, by (6),  $F = 0$  on  $S(2)$ . In particular

$$\text{esc}(f)(X, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2) = 0,$$

for any  $X \in L_1$ .

Similar calculations show that non-zero components for  $\text{esc}(f)$  are

$$\begin{aligned} & f(x_2\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3)) = 18\partial_1, \\ & f(x_2\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2x_2)) = 6\partial_1, \\ & f(x_2\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1x_2^2)) = -6\partial_1, \\ & f(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3)) = -18\partial_2, \\ & f(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2x_2)) = -6\partial_1, \\ & f(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1x_2^2)) = 6\partial_2, \\ & f(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_2^3)) = 18\partial_1, \\ & f(x_1\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1x_2^2)) = -6\partial_2, \\ & f(x_1\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2x_2)) = -6\partial_2, \\ & f(x_1\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_2^3)) = 18\partial_2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^4)) = -72\partial_2, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3x_2)) = 18\partial_1, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3x_2)) = -18\partial_2, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2x_2^2)) = 12\partial_1, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2x_2^2)) = 12\partial_2, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1x_2^3)) = -18\partial_1, \\ & f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3)) = -18\partial_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2 x_2)) &= 6\partial_1, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2 x_2)) &= -6\partial_2, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1 x_2^2)) &= 6\partial_1, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, D_{12}(x_1^3), D_{12}(x_1^2 x_2)) &= -72\partial_2, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, D_{12}(x_1^3), D_{12}(x_1 x_2^2)) &= 36\partial_1, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3), D_{12}(x_1 x_2^2)) &= 72\partial_2, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^3), D_{12}(x_2^3)) &= -108\partial_1, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2 x_2), D_{12}(x_2^3)) &= -36\partial_1, \\
f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, D_{12}(x_1^2 x_2), D_{12}(x_1 x_2^2)) &= 24\partial_2.
\end{aligned}$$

Other components of the form  $f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, a, b, X)$ ,  $f(\partial_1, \partial_i, a, b, c, Y)$ , and  $f(\partial_1, \partial_1, \partial_2, a, Y, Z)$  are equal to 0, where  $a, b, c \in L_0$ ,  $X \in L_2$ ,  $Y, Z \in L_1$  and  $i = 1, 2$ . To find  $f(\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, a, b, X)$ ,  $f(\partial_1, \partial_i, a, b, c, Y)$  and  $f(\partial_2, \partial_1, \partial_2, a, Y, Z)$  one should use the involutive automorphism of  $W(n)$  induced by changing of variables  $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto (x_2, x_1)$ .

Using lemma 9.1 we see that

$$\text{esc}(f) = \text{esc}(g),$$

where  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant map  $g : S(2) \otimes \wedge^5 S(2) \rightarrow S(2)$  is given by

$$g(X_1, X_1, \dots, X_5) = [X_0, s_5^{rsym.r}(X_1, \dots, X_5)].$$

It remains to use (2), theorem 8.1 for  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant forms  $f$  and  $g$  to obtain that  $s_5^{ad} = ad s_5$  for  $S(2)$ .

## 10. Exact formulas for the 6-commutator

In this section we prove that 6-commutator  $s_6$  on  $W(2)$  can be given as a sum of fourteen  $6 \times 6$  determinants.

**Theorem 10.1.** *Let  $U$  be associative commutative algebra with two commuting derivations  $\{\partial_1, \partial_2\}$ ,  $X_i = u_{i,1}\partial_1 + u_{i,2}\partial_2 \in W(2)$ ,  $u_{i,1}, u_{i,2} \in U$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 6$  and*

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = F_1(X_1, \dots, X_6)\partial_1 + F_2(X_1, \dots, X_6)\partial_2,$$

*where  $F_s(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in U$ ,  $s = 1, 2$ . Then the polynomial  $F_1$  is a sum of seven  $6 \times 6$  determinants:*

$$F_1(X_1, \dots, X_6)$$



$$-3 \begin{vmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{2,1} & u_{3,1} & u_{4,1} & u_{5,1} & u_{6,1} \\ u_{1,2} & u_{2,2} & u_{3,2} & u_{4,2} & u_{5,2} & u_{6,2} \\ \partial_1 u_{1,1} & \partial_1 u_{2,1} & \partial_1 u_{3,1} & \partial_1 u_{4,1} & \partial_1 u_{5,1} & \partial_1 u_{6,1} \\ \partial_1 u_{1,2} & \partial_1 u_{2,2} & \partial_1 u_{3,2} & \partial_1 u_{4,2} & \partial_1 u_{5,2} & \partial_1 u_{6,2} \\ \partial_2 u_{1,1} & \partial_2 u_{2,1} & \partial_2 u_{3,1} & \partial_2 u_{4,1} & \partial_2 u_{5,1} & \partial_2 u_{6,1} \\ \partial_2^2 u_{1,1} & \partial_2^2 u_{2,1} & \partial_2^2 u_{3,1} & \partial_2^2 u_{4,1} & \partial_2^2 u_{5,1} & \partial_2^2 u_{6,1} \end{vmatrix}$$

Here  $\partial_{12} = \partial_1 \partial_2$ . Other seven matrices for the  $\partial_2$ -part  $F_2(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  are obtained from these matrices by interchanging all the indices 1 with 2.

*Proof.* By polynomial principle [6] we can assume that  $U = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2]$  with  $\partial_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$  and  $\partial_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$ .

Let  $X_1 = \partial_1, X_2 = \partial_2, a_1 = x_1 \partial_1, a_2 = x_2 \partial_1, a_3 = x_1 \partial_2, a_4 = x_2 \partial_2$ . Let  $V$  be the set of 6-tuples of the form  $(X_1, X_2, a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_i, \dots, a_4, X_6)$ , where  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $X_6$  runs over the basic elements of  $W_2$  with order  $|X_6| = 1$ .

We see that  $\text{supp}$  is generated by elements  $X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \hat{a}_i \otimes \dots \otimes a_4 \otimes X_6$ , where  $(X_1, X_2, a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_i, \dots, a_4, X_6) \in V$ .

One calculates that

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_i \partial_i, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) = -2\partial_2,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_i \partial_i, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1 x_2 \partial_1) = 2\partial_1,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_i \partial_i, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1 x_2 \partial_2) = 2\partial_2,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_i \partial_i, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2) = -2\partial_1,$$

for  $i = 1, 2$  and

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) = -2\partial_1,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1 x_2 \partial_2) = 2\partial_1,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_2) = -6\partial_2,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_2, x_1 x_2 \partial_1) = 2\partial_2,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_1) = -6\partial_1,$$

$$s_6(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2) = -2\partial_2,$$

For other  $(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in V$ ,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = 0.$$

Calculations here are not difficult, but tedious. We perform them in one example. Let us calculate  $s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  for

$$X_1 = \partial_1, X_2 = \partial_2, X_3 = x_2 \partial_1, X_4 = x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, X_5 = x_1 \partial_2, X_6 = x_1^2 \partial_1.$$

Since  $|s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)| = -1$ ,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{3,3}} \text{sign } \sigma s_3^{rsym}(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}) \circ s_3(X_{\sigma(4)}, X_{\sigma(5)}, X_{\sigma(6)}).$$

Recall that  $\mathfrak{S}_{3,3}$  is the set of shuffle permutations,  $\sigma(1) < \sigma(2) < \sigma(3)$ ,  $\sigma(4) < \sigma(5) < \sigma(6)$ . So,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = s'_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) + s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_6),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} s'_6 &= s_3^{rsym} \circ s_3^{rsym}, \\ s''_6 &= s_3^{rsym} \circ (\text{quadratic differential part of } s_3). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2 \partial_1) \\ &= 2(3x_1^2 \partial_1 + 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2) \circ \partial_1 \partial_2 + 2x_1 x_2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_2^2 = 4\partial_2. \end{aligned}$$

We see that

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_6) = s_3(\partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_1^2 \partial_1) = 2x_2 \partial_1 \circ x_1 \partial_1 = 0,$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_5) = 0.$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} &s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_6) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) \\ &= 2(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \circ x_1 \partial_1 - x_1^2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_1 = 2x_1 \partial_1 - 2x_1 \partial_1 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_5) = 0.$$

At last,

$$\begin{aligned} &s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) \\ &= 2x_1 \partial_2 \circ x_1 \partial_1 - x_1^2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_2 = 2x_1 \partial_2, \\ &s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_4) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \\ &= -x_2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_2 - (x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \circ \partial_1 = -2\partial_1, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_4) = -4\partial_2.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} &s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_6) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1^2 \partial_1) = -x_1^2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_1 = -2x_1 \partial_1, \\ &s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_5) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_1, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2) \\ &= (x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \circ \partial_2 - x_1 \partial_2 \circ \partial_1 = -2\partial_2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_5) = 0.$$

We have:

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_6) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1)$$

$$= x_1^2 \partial_1 \circ \partial_2 = 0,$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_5) = 0.$$

Finally,

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_5, X_6) = s_3^{rsym}(\partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) = 0,$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_4) = 0.$$

Thus,

$$s'_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2 \partial_1) = s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_4) = -4\partial_2.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} s_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2 \partial_1) &= s'_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2 \partial_1) + s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2 \partial_1) \\ &= -4\partial_2 + 4\partial_2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So, we have constructed  $\text{esc}(s_{6, W_2}^{rsym, r})$ . A reconstruction of  $s_{6, W_2}^{rsym, r}$  by its escort (see (2)) gives us the formula for  $s_6$ . By lemma 6.3,  $s_6 = s_6^{rsym, r}$  on  $W(2)$ .

## 11. $s_6 = 0$ is an identity on $S(2)$

**Lemma 11.1.**  $s_6 = 0$  is an identity on  $S(2)$ .

*Proof.* Set

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \partial_1, X_2 = \partial_2, X_3 = x_2 \partial_1, X_4 = x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, X_5 = x_1 \partial_2, \\ V &= \{(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_6) : |X_6| = 1, X_6 \in S(2)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{supp} = \text{supp}(s_6)$  is generated by elements  $X_1 \otimes \dots \otimes X_6$ , where  $(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in V$ , we need to check that  $s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = 0$ , for all  $(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in V$ . By lemma 6.3,

$$s_6^{rsym, r} = s_6.$$

We have,

$$s_6 = s_3 \smile s_3.$$

Let  $(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in V$  and  $F = s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)$ .

We see that,  $s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  is the alternating sum of elements of the form  $s_3(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}) \cdot s_3(X_{\sigma(4)}, X_{\sigma(5)}, X_{\sigma(6)})$ , where  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{3,3}$  are shuffle permutations, i.e.,  $\sigma(1) < \sigma(2) < \sigma(3)$ ,  $\sigma(4) < \sigma(5) < \sigma(6)$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} &s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{3,3}, \sigma(1) < \sigma(4)} \text{sign } \sigma [s_3(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}), s_3(X_{\sigma(4)}, X_{\sigma(5)}, X_{\sigma(6)})]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)| = -1$ ,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \in \langle \partial_i \rangle,$$

for some  $i = 1, 2$ . Therefore, in calculating  $F = s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  we can make summation only in  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{3,3}$  such that

$$s_3(X_{\sigma(1)}, X_{\sigma(2)}, X_{\sigma(3)}) \in \langle u\partial_i : |u| = 1, 2 \rangle,$$

$$s_3(X_{\sigma(4)}, X_{\sigma(5)}, X_{\sigma(6)}) \in \langle \partial^\alpha : |\alpha| = 1, 2 \rangle.$$

Since

$$s_3(X_1, X_2, X) = s_3(\partial_1, \partial_2, X) = [\partial_2, X] \cdot \partial_1 + [X, \partial_1] \cdot \partial_2,$$

there are two possibilities:

- if  $1, 2 \in \{\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \sigma(3)\}$  or  $1, 2 \in \{\sigma(4), \sigma(5), \sigma(6)\}$  then  $(\sigma(4), \sigma(5), \sigma(6)) = (1, 2, s)$ , and  $(\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \sigma(3)) = (q, r, 6)$ , where  $\{q, r, s\} = \{3, 4, 5\}$ , and  $q < r$ .
- if each of the following subsets  $\{\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \sigma(3)\}$  and  $\{\sigma(4), \sigma(5), \sigma(6)\}$  contains exactly one element  $s \in \{1, 2\}$ .

Therefore,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = s'_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) + s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_6),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & s'_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \\ &= s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_5) - s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_5) \\ &+ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_4) - s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_5) \\ &+ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_5) - s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_4), \\ & s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \\ &= -s_3^{rsym}(X_4, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3(X_1, X_2, X_3) + s_3^{rsym}(X_3, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3(X_1, X_2, X_4) \\ &\quad - s_3^{rsym}(X_3, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3(X_1, X_2, X_5). \end{aligned}$$

Here we use notation  $s_3^{rsym}$  instead of  $s^{rsym.r}$  or  $s_3^{rsym.l}$ , because  $s^{rsym.r} = s_3^{rsym.l}$  for any right-symmetric algebra.

Notice that

$$s_3(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_1) = \partial_1\partial_2,$$

$$s_3(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_1) = -\partial_1^2,$$

$$s_3(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1\partial_2) = \partial_2^2,$$

$$s_3(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_2\partial_2) = -\partial_1\partial_2.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & s''_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) \\ &= s_3^{rsym}(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2, X_6) \circ \partial_1^2 + 2s_3^{rsym}(x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, X_6) \circ \partial_1\partial_2 \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

$$-s_3^{rsym}(x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, X_6) \circ \partial_2^2.$$

Now calculate  $s_6''(X_1, \dots, X_6)$  for  $X_6 = x_1^2\partial_2$ . By (7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & s_6''(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2\partial_2) \\ &= 2x_1^2\partial_2 \circ \partial_1\partial_2 + (4x_1^2\partial_1 + 6x_1x_2\partial_2) \circ \partial_2^2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Check that  $s_6'(X_1, \dots, X_6) = 0$  for  $X_6 = x_1^2\partial_2$ .

Let  $a, b, c \in \langle x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2 \rangle$ . Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{rsym}(\partial_i, a, X_6) &= a \circ [X_6, \partial_i] + X_6 \circ [\partial_i, a] \\ &= a \circ \partial_i(X_6) - X_6 \circ \partial_i(a), \\ s_3^{rsym}(\partial_j, b, c) &= b \circ [c, \partial_j] + c \circ [\partial_j, b] = b \circ \partial_j(c) - c \circ \partial_j(b). \end{aligned}$$

By these formulas, it is easy to calculate that

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_6) &= s_3(\partial_1, x_2\partial_1, x_1^2\partial_2) = 2x_2\partial_1 \circ x_1\partial_2 = 2x_1\partial_1, \\ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_5) &= s_3(\partial_2, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1\partial_2) = x_1\partial_2 \circ \partial_2 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3(X_2, X_4, X_5) = 0.$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_6) &= s_3^{rsym}(\partial_1, x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1^2\partial_2) \\ &= 2(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2) \circ x_1\partial_2 - x_1^2\partial_2 \circ \partial_1 \\ &= -2x_1\partial_2 - 2x_1\partial_2 = -4x_1\partial_2, \\ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_5) &= s_3^{rsym}(\partial_2, x_2\partial_1, x_1\partial_2) = -x_1\partial_2 \circ \partial_1 = -\partial_2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3(X_2, X_3, X_5) = 0.$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) &= s_3(\partial_1, x_1\partial_2, x_1^2\partial_2) \\ &= 2x_1\partial_2 \circ x_1\partial_2 - x_1^2\partial_2 \circ \partial_2 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_4) = 0.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_3, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_4, X_5) &= 0, \\ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_4, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_5) &= 0, \\ s_3^{rsym}(X_2, X_5, X_6) \circ s_3^{rsym}(X_1, X_3, X_4) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

So, we have established that  $s_6'(X_1, \dots, X_6) = 0$  for  $X_6 = x_1^2\partial_2$ . Thus,

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2\partial_2) = s_6'(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2\partial_2) + s_6''(X_1, \dots, X_5, x_1^2\partial_2) = 0.$$

Similarly, one can calculate that

$$s_6(X_1, \dots, X_5, X_6) = 0,$$

for any  $X_6 = x_1^2 \partial_1 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2 - 2x_1 x_2 \partial_1, x_2^2 \partial_1$ . In other words,

$$\text{esc}(s_6)(X_1, \dots, X_6) = 0, \text{ for any } (X_1, \dots, X_6) \in V.$$

Therefore, by (2)  $s_6 = 0$  is an identity on  $S(2)$ .

## 12. $s_7 = 0$ is an identity on $W(2)$

**Lemma 12.1.**  $s_7 = 0$  is an identity on  $W(2)$ .

*Proof.* We see that  $\text{esc}(s_7)$  is uniquely defined by the homomorphism of  $sl_2$ -modules  $f : L_1 \rightarrow L_{-1}$  given by

$$f(X) = s_7(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, X).$$

Notice that

$$L_1 \cong R(\pi_1) \oplus R(2\pi_1 + \pi_2).$$

This isomorphism of  $sl_2$ -modules can be given by divergence map,

$$\text{Div} : L_1 \rightarrow U,$$

$$\bar{L}_1 = \{X : \text{Div } X = 0\} \cong R(2\pi_1 + \pi_2), \quad \tilde{L}_1 = \{\text{Div } X : X \in L_1\} \cong R(\pi_1).$$

Thus  $f(X) = \lambda \text{Div}(X)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Using the decomposition  $s_7^{r_{sym}, r} = s_4^{r_{sym}, r} \circ s_3$ , one can calculate that

$$s_7(\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1) = 0.$$

Therefore,  $\lambda = 0$  and  $s_7 = 0$  is an identity on  $W(2)$ .

## 13. 5- and 6-commutators are primitive

Assume that  $g = g(t_1, \dots, t_k)$  is a skew-symmetric multilinear polynomial. We call  $g$  a  $k$ -commutator on a class of vector fields, if for any  $k$  vector fields  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  of this class  $g(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  is again a vector field of this class.

Suppose that  $f$  is a Lie polynomial with left-normed brackets. Let  $(A, [ , ])_{\text{Lie}}$  be a Lie algebra. As we have explained above,  $f_A^{[ , ]} : A \otimes \dots \otimes A \rightarrow A$  is a map obtained from  $f$  by substituting elements of  $A$  as arguments  $t_j$  and using the commutator  $[ , ]$  for the product.

Suppose now that  $(A, [ , ])_{\text{Lie}}$  is a Lie algebra of vector fields. Then  $f_A^{[ , ]}$  is the standard  $k$ -commutator for any vector field algebra  $A$ . We call the  $k$ -commutator  $g$  primitive on  $A$  if  $g_A$  can not be represented as  $f_A^{[ , ]}$  for any left-normed polynomial  $f$ .

**Lemma 13.1.** *There does not exist a Lie polynomial  $f = f(t_1, \dots, t_5)$  such that  $s_5(X_1, \dots, X_5) = f(X_1, \dots, X_5)$ , for any  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \in S(2)$ . Similarly, one can not represent a 6-commutator on  $W(2)$  in the form  $s_6(X_1, \dots, X_6) = g(X_1, \dots, X_6)$ , for any  $X_1, \dots, X_6 \in W(2)$ , where  $g$  is a Lie polynomial in 6 variables.*

*Proof.* Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra,  $U(L)$  its universal enveloping algebra and

$$\Delta : U(L) \rightarrow U(L) \otimes U(L), \quad \Delta(X) = X \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes X, \quad \forall X \in L,$$

a comultiplication. For any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in L$ ,

$$\Delta(X_1 \cdots X_k) = \sum_{l=0}^k \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{l, k-l}} X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(l)} \otimes X_{\sigma(l+1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(k)}.$$

Thus, for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in L$ ,

$$\Delta(s_k(X_1, \dots, X_k)) = \sum_{l=0}^k \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{l, k-l}} s_l(X_1, \dots, X_l) \otimes s_{k-l}(X_{l+1}, \dots, X_k).$$

Therefore, if  $s_k$  is the standard  $k$ -commutator, i.e., if  $s_k$  is obtained from Lie polynomial, then [10]

$$G_k = \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} s_l(X_1, \dots, X_l) \otimes s_{k-l}(X_{l+1}, \dots, X_k)$$

should be identically 0 for any  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in L$ . Here  $L = W(2)$  if  $k = 6$ , and  $L = S(2)$  if  $k = 5$ .

In a calculation of  $G_k$  below we use formulas for quadratic parts of  $k$  commutators (lemmas 7.2, 7.3, 7.4).

Consider the case of 5-commutators. Take

$$(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5) = (\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2).$$

One can calculate that

$$\begin{aligned} G_5 &= -4\partial_1 \otimes \partial_2 - 4\partial_2 \otimes \partial_1 - 2\partial_2 \otimes x_1 \partial_1^2 - 4\partial_2 \otimes x_2 \partial_1 \partial_2 + 4\partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes x_1 \partial_1 \\ &\quad - 4\partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes x_2 \partial_2 + 4x_1 \partial_1 \otimes \partial_1 \partial_2 - 2x_1 \partial_1^2 \otimes \partial_2 - 4x_2 \partial_2 \otimes \partial_1 \partial_2 - 4x_2 \partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes \partial_2 \\ &\neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $s_5$  on  $S(2)$  can not be obtained from any Lie polynomial.

Consider now the case of 6-commutator. Take

$$(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6) = (\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_1, x_1 \partial_2, x_1^2 \partial_1).$$

We see that

$$s_3(X_1, X_2, X_3) \otimes s_3(X_4, X_5, X_6) = \partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes (3x_1^2 \partial_1 + 2x_1 x_2 \partial_2 + x_1^3 \partial_1^2 + 2x_1^2 x_2 \partial_1 \partial_2),$$

Therefore,  $G_6$  has the term of the form  $\partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes x_1^3 \partial_1^2$ . Collect all terms of  $G_6$  of the form  $\lambda \partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes x_1^3 \partial_1^2$ . Then their sum, denoted by  $R$ , should be 0 if  $s_6$  is standard 5-commutator. As a differential operator of second order,  $x_1^3 \partial_1^2$  can not appear in  $s_2(X_i, X_j)$ . Direct calculations then show that the elements of the form  $s_l(X_{j_1}, \dots, X_{j_l}), j_1 < \dots < j_l, l = 3, 4, 5$ , may have the part  $\mu x_1^3 \partial_1^2, \mu \neq 0$  only in one case:  $l = 3, (j_1, j_2, j_3) = (4, 5, 6)$ . So,  $R = \partial_1 \partial_2 \otimes x_1^3 \partial_1^2 \neq 0$ . This contradiction shows that 6-commutator on  $W(2)$  is primitive.

#### 14. $s_5$ and $s_6$ are cocycles

Let  $d : C^k(L, L) \rightarrow C^{k+1}(L, L)$  be the coboundary operator. Then

$$d\psi = d'\psi + d''\psi,$$

where

$$d'\psi(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1}) = \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \psi([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1}),$$

$$d''\psi(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} [X_i, \psi(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{k+1})].$$

**Lemma 14.1.**  $d's_k^{sym.r} = 0$ , if  $k$  is even and  $d's_k^{sym.r} = -s_{k+1}^{sym.r}$ , if  $k$  is odd.

*Proof.* This follows from induction in  $n$  and the following relation

$$s_{k+1}^{sym.r} = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+k+1} (s_k^{sym.r}(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{k+1})) X_i.$$

**Lemma 14.2.**  $(2d' + d'')s_k = 0$ , for any  $k \geq n^2 + 2n - 2$ .

*Proof.* By corollary 3.4, ad  $X \in \text{Der}(W(n), s_k)$ , if  $k \geq n^2 + 2n - 2$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & [X_i, s_k(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{k+1})] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (-1)^{1+j} s_k([X_i, X_j], \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{j=i+1}^{k+1} (-1)^j s_k([X_i, X_j], \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1}), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$d''s_k(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1})$$

$$= -2 \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} s_k([X_i, X_j], \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1}).$$

In other words,  $d''s_k = -2d's_k$ , if  $k \geq n^2 + 2n - 2$ .

**Corollary 14.3.**  $ds_5 = 0$  on  $S(2)$ .

**Proof.** By corollary 3.2 and theorems 8.1 and 11.1  $s_5 = s_5^{r\text{sym},r}$  and  $s_6 = s_6^{r\text{sym},r} = 0$  are identities on  $S(2)$ . Therefore,  $d_{s_5} = d's_5 + d''s_5 = -d's_5 = s_6 = 0$  is an identity on  $S(2)$ .

**Corollary 14.4.**  $ds_6 = 0$  on  $W(2)$ .

*Proof.* By corollary 3.2, lemma 6.3 and lemma 12.1  $s_6 = s_6^{r\text{sym},r}$  and  $s_7 = s_7^{r\text{sym},r}$  is an identity on  $W(2)$ . Therefore, by lemma 14.1 and 14.2  $d_{s_6} = d's_6 + d''s_6 = -d's_6 = 0$  is an identity on  $W(2)$ .

**Remark.** One can prove that  $(L, \{s_l, s_l\})$  is also *sh*-Lie, for  $l = n^2 + 2n - 2$ , if  $L = W(n)$  and  $l = n^2 + 2n - 3$ , if  $L = S(n)$ .

Our results can be formulated in terms of generalized cohomology operators. There are two ways to do it. In the first way one saves the index of nilpotency  $d^2 = 0$ , but changes the grading degree. In the second way one saves grading degree, but changes the index of nilpotency from  $d^2 = 0$  to  $d^N = 0$ . A cohomology theory for  $d^N = 0$  was developed in [7].

Let us show how to do it for left multiplication operators. Let  $L = W(n)$  be the right-symmetric algebra of vector fields,  $r_a$  right multiplication operator and  $l_a$  left multiplication operator,  $(b)r_a = b \circ a$ ,  $(b)l_a = a \circ b$ . Define a linear operator  $d : \wedge^*(L, L) \rightarrow \wedge^*(L, L)$  by

$$d : C^k(L, L) \rightarrow C^{k+n}(L, L),$$

$$d\psi(a_1, \dots, a_{k+n}) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{n,k}} \text{sign } \sigma \left( \dots ((\psi(a_{\sigma(n+1)}, \dots, a_{\sigma(k+n)}))l_{a_{\sigma(1)}}) \dots \right) l_{a_{\sigma(n)}}.$$

Then the condition  $d^2 = 0$  follows from theorem 3.3 of [4].

In the second case we need to consider a coboundary operator with grading degree +1,

$$d_l : \wedge^*(L, L) \rightarrow \wedge^*(L, L),$$

$$d_l : \wedge^k(L, L) \rightarrow \wedge^{k+1}(L, L),$$

$$d_l \psi(a_1, \dots, a_{k+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^i (\psi(a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_i, \dots, a_{k+1})) l_{a_i}.$$

Then  $d_l^2 = 0$ .

One can construct similar coboundary operators corresponding to right-multiplication operators. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} d_r : \wedge^*(L, L) &\rightarrow \wedge^*(L, L), \\ d_r : \wedge^k(L, L) &\rightarrow \wedge^{k+1}(L, L), \\ d_r \psi(a_1, \dots, a_{k+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^i (\psi(a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_i, \dots, a_{k+1})) r_{a_i}. \end{aligned}$$

has the property  $d_r^{n^2+2n-1} = 0$ .

These constructions have some other modifications that include the case of more general right-symmetric algebras and their modules.

## 15. Proofs of main results

**Proof of theorem 2.1.** This follows from lemmas 6.3, 5.6 and corollary 5.5.

*Proof of theorem 2.2.* This follows from lemmas 5.3, 9.1, 11.1, 13.1 and corollary 14.3.

*Proof of theorem 2.3.* This follows from lemmas 12.1, 13.1, 5.4 and corollary 14.4. We have proved that  $W(3)$  has nontrivial 10-commutator. Its restriction to  $S(3)$  is also nontrivial. So,  $W(3)$  has two well-defined nontrivial  $N$ -commutators: 13-commutator  $s_{13}$  and 10-commutator  $s_{10}$ . Divergenceless vector fields subalgebra  $S(3)$  has only one nontrivial  $N$ -commutator: 10-commutator  $s_{10}$ .

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