

# Generalized Derivations of Hom-Lie color algebras

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## Abstract

In this paper, we give some basic properties of the generalized derivation algebra  $\text{GDer}(L)$  of a Hom-Lie color algebra  $L$ . In particular, we prove that  $\text{GDer}(L) = \text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L)$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Hom-Lie color algebras are a generalization of Lie algebras, where the classical Jacobi identity is twisted by a linear map. The purpose of this paper is to generalize some beautiful results to the generalized derivation algebra of a Hom-Lie color algebra. In this paper, we mainly study the derivation algebra  $\text{Der}(L)$ , the center derivation algebra  $\text{ZDer}(L)$ , the quasiderivation algebra  $\text{QDer}(L)$ , and the generalized derivation algebra  $\text{GDer}(L)$  of a Hom-Lie color algebra  $L$ .

## 2 Preliminary Notes

Throughout this paper  $\mathbf{K}$  is a field of characteristic zero. A vector space  $V$  is  $\Gamma$ -graded, Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two  $\Gamma$ -graded vectors spaces. A linear map  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is said to be homogeneous of degree  $\xi \in \Gamma$ , if  $f(x)$  is homogeneous of degree  $\gamma + \xi$  for all the element  $x \in V_\gamma$ . The set of all such maps is denoted by  $\text{Hom}(V, W)_\xi$ . It is a subspace of  $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ , the vector space of all linear maps from  $V$  into  $W$ .

**Definition 2.1** [1] Let  $\mathbf{K}$  and  $\Gamma$  be an abelian group, A map  $\Gamma \times \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbf{K}^*$  is called a skew-symmetric bi-character on  $\Gamma$  if the following identities hold, for all  $x, y, z, in \Gamma$

- (1)  $\varepsilon(x, y)\varepsilon(y, x) = 1,$
- (2)  $\varepsilon(x, y + z) = \varepsilon(x, y)\varepsilon(x, z),$
- (3)  $\varepsilon(x + y, z) = \varepsilon(x, z)\varepsilon(y, z),$

If  $x$  and  $y$  are two homogeneous elements of degree  $\theta$  and degree  $\mu,$  respectively and  $\varepsilon$  is a skew-symmetric bi-character, then we shorten the notation by writing  $\varepsilon(x, y)$  instead of  $\varepsilon(\theta, \mu).$

**Definition 2.2** [1] A Hom-Lie color algebra is a quadruple  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \varepsilon, \alpha)$  consisting of a  $\Gamma$ -graded vector space  $L,$  a bi-character  $\varepsilon,$  an even bilinear mapping  $[\cdot, \cdot] : L \times L \rightarrow L$  (i.e.  $[L_\theta, L_\mu] \subseteq L_{\theta+\mu}$  for all  $\theta, \mu \in \Gamma$ ) and an even homomorphism  $\alpha : L \rightarrow L$  such that for homogeneous elements  $x, y, z \in L$  we have

- (1)  $[x, y] = -\varepsilon(x, y)[y, x],$
- (2)  $\varepsilon(z, x)[\alpha(x), [y, z]] + \varepsilon(x, y)[\alpha(y), [z, x]] + \varepsilon(y, z)[\alpha(z), [x, y]] = 0.$

Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \varepsilon, \alpha)$  be a Hom Lie color algebra. It is called multiplicative Hom Lie color algebra if  $\alpha[x, y] = [\alpha(x), \alpha(y)].$

**Definition 2.3** [3] Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a Hom-Lie color algebra and define the following subvector space  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $\text{End}(L)$  consisting of even linear maps  $u$  on  $L$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{U} = \{u \in \text{End}(L) \mid u\alpha = \alpha u\}$$

and  $\sigma : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}; \sigma(u) = \alpha u.$  Then  $\mathcal{U}$  is a Hom-Lie color algebra over  $\mathbf{K}$  with the bracket

$$[D_\theta, D_\mu] = D_\theta D_\mu - \varepsilon(\theta, \mu) D_\mu D_\theta$$

for all  $D_\theta, D_\mu \in \text{hg}(\mathcal{U}).$

**Definition 2.4** [3] Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-Lie color algebra. A homogeneous bilinear map  $D : L \rightarrow L$  is said to be an  $\alpha^k$ -derivation of  $L,$  where  $k \in \mathbf{N},$  if it satisfies

$$D\alpha = \alpha D,$$

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] + \varepsilon(D, x)[\alpha^k(x), D(y)] = D([x, y]),$$

$\forall x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L.$

We denote the set of all  $\alpha^k$ -derivations by  $\text{Der}_{\alpha^k}(L),$  then  $\text{Der}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{Der}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  provided with the super-commutator and the following even map

$$\tilde{\alpha} : \text{Der}(L) \rightarrow \text{Der}(L); \tilde{\alpha}(D) = D\alpha$$

is a Hom-subalgebra of  $\mathcal{U}$  and is called the derivation algebra of  $L.$

**Definition 2.5** [1] An endomorphism  $D \in \text{hg}(\text{Der}(L))$  is said to be a homogeneous generalized  $\alpha^k$ -derivation of  $L$ , if there exist two endomorphisms  $D', D'' \in \text{hg}(\text{End}(L))$  such that

$$D\alpha = \alpha D, D\alpha' = \alpha' D, D\alpha'' = \alpha'' D$$

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] + \varepsilon(D, x)[\alpha^k(x), D'(y)] = D''([x, y]), \tag{1.1}$$

for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$  If  $f$  is a quasiderivation of  $L$ , for convenience, we write all triple  $(f, f', f'')$  satisfied (1.1) as  $\Gamma(L)$ .

**Definition 2.6** [1] An endomorphism  $D \in \text{hg}(\text{Der}(L))$  is said to be a homogeneous  $\alpha^k$ -quasiderivation, if there exists an endomorphism  $D' \in \text{hg}(\text{End}(L))$  such that

$$D\alpha = \alpha D, D\alpha' = \alpha' D$$

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] + \varepsilon(D, x)[\alpha^k(x), D'(y)] = D'([x, y]), \tag{1.2}$$

for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$ .

Let  $\text{GDer}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  and  $\text{QDer}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  be the sets of homogeneous generalized  $\alpha^k$ -derivations and of homogeneous  $\alpha^k$ -quasiderivations, respectively. That is

$$\text{GDer}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{GDer}_{\alpha^k}(L), \quad \text{QDer}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{QDer}_{\alpha^k}(L).$$

It is easy to verify that both  $\text{GDer}(L)$  and  $\text{QDer}(L)$  are Hom-subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{U}$  (see Proposition 2.1)

**Definition 2.7** [1] If  $\text{C}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{C}_{\alpha^k}(L)$ , with  $\text{C}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  consisting of  $D \in \text{hg}(\text{End}(L))$  satisfying

$$D\alpha = \alpha D,$$

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] = \varepsilon(D, x)[\alpha^k(x), D(y)] = D([x, y]),$$

for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$ , then  $\text{C}(L)$  is called an  $\alpha^k$ -centroid of  $L$ .

**Definition 2.8** [1] If  $\text{QC}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{QC}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  with  $\text{QC}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  consisting of  $D \in \text{hg}(\text{End}(L))$  such that

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] = \varepsilon(D, x)[\alpha^k(x), D(y)],$$

for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$ , then  $\text{QC}(L)$  is called an  $\alpha^k$ -quasicentroid of  $L$ .

Define  $\text{ZDer}(L) := \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{Der}_{\alpha^k}(L)$ , where  $\text{Der}_{\alpha^k}(L)$  consists of  $D \in \text{hg}(\text{End}(L))$  such that

$$[D(x), \alpha^k(y)] = D([x, y]) = 0,$$

for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$ .

**Definition 2.9** [3] Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-Lie color algebra. If  $\text{Z}(L) := \bigoplus_{\theta \in \Gamma} \text{Z}_{\theta}(L)$ , with  $\text{Z}_{\theta}(L) = \{x \in L_{\theta} | [x, y] = 0, \forall x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L\}$ , then  $\text{Z}(L)$  is called the center of  $L$ .

### 3 Main Results

**Lemma 3.1** *Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-Lie color algebra. Then the following statements hold:*

- (1)  $\text{GDer}(L), \text{QGer}(L)$  and  $C(L)$  are Hom-subalgebras of  $\mathcal{U}$ .
- (2)  $\text{ZDer}(L)$  is a Hom-ideal of  $\text{Der}(L)$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $D_1 \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^k}(L), D_2 \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^s}(L), \forall x \in \text{hg}(L)$  and  $y \in L$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} [(\tilde{\alpha}(D_1))(x), \alpha^{k+1}(y)] &= [(D_1\alpha)(x), \alpha^{k+1}(y)] = \alpha[D_1(x), \alpha^k(y)] \\ &= \tilde{\alpha}(D_1'')([x, y]) - \varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^{k+1}(x), \tilde{\alpha}(D_1')(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

Since both  $\tilde{\alpha}(D_1'')$  and  $\tilde{\alpha}(D_1')$  are in  $\text{hg}(\text{End}(L)), \tilde{\alpha}(D_1) \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^{k+1}}(L)$ .

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} [D_1D_2(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= D_1''D_2''([x, y]) + \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{s+k}(x), D_2'D_1'(y)] \\ &\quad - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^k(x), D_1'(y)] - \varepsilon(D_2, x)D_1''([\alpha^s(x), D_2'(y)]) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [D_2D_1(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= D_2''D_1''([x, y]) + \varepsilon(D_2, D_1)\varepsilon(D_2, x)\varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^{s+k}(x), D_1'D_2'(y)] \\ &\quad - \varepsilon(D_2, D_1)\varepsilon(D_2, x)D_1''([\alpha^s(x), D_2'(y)]) - \varepsilon(D_1, x)D_2''([\alpha^k(x), D_1'(y)]). \end{aligned}$$

Thus for all  $x \in \text{hg}(L)$  and  $y \in L$ , we have

$$[[D_1, D_2](x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] = [D_1'', D_2'']([x, y]) - \varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), [D_1', D_2'](y)].$$

Since both  $[D_1', D_2']$  and  $[D_1'', D_2'']$  are in  $\text{hg}(\text{End}(L)), [D_1, D_2] \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^{k+s}}(L)$ ,  $\text{GDer}(L)$  is a Hom-subalgebra of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Similarly,  $\text{QGer}(L)$  is a Hom-subalgebra of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

(2) Assume that  $D_1 \in \text{ZDer}_{\alpha^k}(L), D_2 \in \text{Der}_{\alpha^s}(L), \forall x \in \text{hg}(L), y \in L$ . Then

$$[\tilde{\alpha}(D_1)(x), \alpha^{k+1}(y)] = \alpha([D_1(x), \alpha^k(y)]) = \alpha D_1([x, y]) = \tilde{\alpha}(D_1)([x, y]) = 0.$$

So  $\tilde{\alpha}(D_1) \in \text{ZDer}_{\alpha^{k+1}}(L)$ . Note that

$$[[D_1, D_2]([x, y])] = D_1D_2([x, y]) - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)D_2D_1([x, y]) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [[D_1, D_2](x), \alpha^{s+k}(y)] &= [(D_1D_2 - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)D_2D_1)(x), \alpha^{s+k}(y)] \\ &= -\varepsilon(D_2, D_1)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[D_2(\alpha^s(x)), \alpha^k(D_1(y))] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $[D_1, D_2] \in \text{ZDer}_{\alpha^{k+s}}(L)$ , Thus  $\text{ZDer}(L)$  is a Hom-ideal of  $\text{Der}(L)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2** *Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-Lie color algebra. Then*

(1)  $[\text{Der}(L), \text{C}(L)] \subseteq \text{C}(L)$ .

(2)  $[\text{QDer}(L), \text{QC}(L)] \subseteq \text{QC}(L)$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $D_1 \in \text{Der}_{\alpha^k}(L), D_2 \in \text{C}_{\alpha^s}(L), \forall x \in \text{hg}(L)$  and  $y \in L$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} [D_1 D_2(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= D_1([D_2(x), \alpha^s(y)]) - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^k(D_2(x)), D_1(\alpha^s(y))] \\ &= D_1 D_2([x, y]) - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), D_2 D_1(y)], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [D_2 D_1(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= D_2([D_1(x), \alpha^k(y)]) \\ &= D_2 D_1([x, y]) - \varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), D_2 D_1(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} [D_1 D_2(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= D_1([D_2(x), \alpha^s(y)]) - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^k(D_2(x)), D_1(\alpha^s(y))] \\ &= \varepsilon(D_2, x)[D_1(\alpha^s(x)), \alpha^k(D_2(y))] + \varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), D_1 D_2(y)] \\ &\quad - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)\varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), D_2 D_1(y)] \end{aligned}$$

$$[D_2 D_1(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] = \varepsilon(D_2, D_1)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[D_1(\alpha^s(x)), \alpha^k(D_2(y))].$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} [[D_1, D_2](x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] &= [D_1 D_2(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] - \varepsilon(D_1, D_2)[D_2 D_1(x), \alpha^{k+s}(y)] \\ &= \varepsilon(D_1, x)\varepsilon(D_2, x)[\alpha^{k+s}(x), [D_1, D_2](y)] \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[D_1, D_2] \in \text{C}_{\alpha^{s+k}}(L)$ , and we get  $[\text{Der}(L), \text{C}(L)] \subseteq \text{C}(L)$ .

(2) Similar to the proof of (1). □

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-Lie color algebra. Then*

$$\text{GDer}(L) = \text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L).$$

*Proof.* Let  $D_1 \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^k}(L)$ . Then for all  $x, y \in \text{hg}(L)$ , there exist  $D'_1, D''_1 \in \text{End}(L)$  such that

$$[D_1(x), \alpha^k(y)] + \varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^k(x), D'_1(y)] = D''_1([x, y]).$$

Since  $\varepsilon(D_1, y)\varepsilon(x, y)[\alpha^k(y), D_1(x)] + \varepsilon(x, y)[D'_1(y), \alpha^k(x)] = \varepsilon(x, y)D''_1([y, x])$ ,

$$[D'_1(y), \alpha^k(x)] + \varepsilon(D_1, y)[\alpha^k(y), D_1(x)] = D''_1([y, x]).$$

Hence  $D'_1 \in \text{GDer}_{\alpha^k}(L)$ . For all  $x, y \in \text{hg}(L)$ , we have

$$\left[\frac{D_1 + D'_1}{2}(x), \alpha^k(y)\right] + \varepsilon(D_1, x)[\alpha^k(x), \frac{D_1 + D'_1}{2}(y)] = D''_1([x, y]),$$

and

$$\left[\frac{D_1 - D'_1}{2}(x), \alpha^k(y)\right] - \varepsilon(D_1, x)\left[\alpha^k(x), \frac{D_1 - D'_1}{2}(y)\right] = 0,$$

Hence

$$D_1 \in \text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L),$$

and

$$\text{GDer}(L) \subseteq \text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L).$$

It is easy to verify that  $\text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L) \subseteq \text{GDer}(L)$ . Therefore  $\text{QDer}(L) + \text{QC}(L) = \text{GDer}(L)$ .  $\square$

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