

## SOME PROPERTIES OF THE $c$ -NILPOTENT MULTIPLIER OF A PAIR OF LIE ALGEBRAS

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The concept of the Schur multiplier of a Lie algebra was introduced by Batten *et al.* (1996). This concept was extended to that of a  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a Lie algebra, and then further extended to a theory of a  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras, by the author and others. In this paper we present some new inequalities for the dimension of the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras. We also give a necessary and sufficient condition for the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras to embed into the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of their quotient. Finally we provide a sufficient condition for the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras to be finite dimensional.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY

The Schur multiplier was born in Schur's works [20] on projective representation of a group in 1904. For a given group  $G$ , the Schur multiplier of  $G$  is  $\mathcal{M}(G) = (R \cap G')/[R, F]$ , where  $G \cong F/R$  and  $F$  is a free group (See [10] for more information).

Ellis [9] extended the theory of the Schur multiplier for a pair of groups. Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of groups, in which  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . The Schur multiplier of  $(N, G)$  is an abelian group  $\mathcal{M}(N, G)$  appearing in the following exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} H_3(G) &\rightarrow H_3(G/N) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(N, G) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(G) \rightarrow \\ \mathcal{M}(G/N) &\rightarrow \frac{N}{[N, G]} \rightarrow (G)^{ab} \rightarrow (G/N)^{ab} \rightarrow 1, \end{aligned}$$

in which  $H_3(G)$  is the third homology of  $G$ . The Lie algebra analogue of the Schur multiplier was introduced by Batten et al. (See [6, 12] for more information).

In [14], the authors defined the Schur multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras. Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras in which  $N$  is an ideal in  $L$ . The Schur multiplier of the pair  $(N, L)$  is

$$\mathcal{M}(N, L) = (R \cap [S, F]) / [R, F],$$

where  $S$  is an ideal in free Lie algebra  $F$  such that  $N \cong S/R$  (See [3, 13] for more details).

In [1, 2, 4, 15] we studied the concept of the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras. The  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair  $(N, L)$  is  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) = (R \cap [S, {}_c F]) / [R, {}_c F]$ , where  $[X, {}_c Y] = [X, \underbrace{Y, \dots, Y}_{c\text{-times}}]$  and  $c \geq 1$ . In particular, if  $N = L$ , then  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(L, L) = \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(L)$  is the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of  $L$  (See [18, 19] for more information).

In this paper, we prove some inequalities for the dimension of the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras (Proposition 2.2). Moreover, we present a necessary and sufficient condition in which the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of pair of Lie algebras can be embedded into the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of their factor Lie algebras (Theorem 2.3). In [1], we proved that if  $(N, L)$  is a pair of finite dimensional Lie algebras, then the Lie algebra  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L)$  is finite dimensional. Here, we extend this result to a stronger version (Corollary 2.7).

All Lie algebras are considered over a fixed field  $\Lambda$  and  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  denotes the Lie bracket. Let  $L$  and  $M$  be two Lie algebras. An action of  $L$  on  $M$  is an  $\Lambda$ -bilinear map

$$L \times M \rightarrow M$$

$$(l, m) \mapsto {}^l m$$

satisfying

$$[{}^{l,l'} m] = {}^l ({}^{l'} m) - {}^{l'} ({}^l m) \quad \text{and} \quad {}^l [m, m'] = [{}^l m, m'] + [m, {}^l m'],$$

for all  $l, l' \in L$  and  $m, m' \in M$ .

Recall from [11] that a crossed module of pairs of Lie algebras  $(N, L)$  is a Lie homomorphism  $\sigma : M \rightarrow L$  together with an action of  $L$  on  $M$ , which is denoted by  ${}^l m$  for all  $l \in L, m \in M$  satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $\sigma({}^l m) = [l, \sigma(m)]$ , for all  $l \in L, m \in M$

(ii)  $\sigma({}^{\sigma(m)} m') = [m, m']$ , for all  $m, m' \in M$

(iii)  $\sigma(M) = N$ .

Moreover, the subalgebras  $Z_c(L)$  and  $[N,{}_c L]$ , for all  $c \geq 1$ , as follows:

$$Z_c(L) = \{n \in N \mid [n, l_1, \dots, l_c] = 0, \forall l_1, \dots, l_c \in L\},$$

$$[N,{}_c L] = \langle [n, l_1, \dots, l_c] \mid n \in N, l_1, \dots, l_c \in L \rangle,$$

where  $[n, l_1, \dots, l_c] = [\dots [n, l_1], l_2], \dots, l_c]$  (See [15]).

Also, let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras. Then the  $c$ -epicenter of the pair  $(N, L)$  defined to be

$$Z_c^*(N, L) = \bigcap \{\varphi(Z_c(N^*, L)) \mid \varphi : N^* \rightarrow L\},$$

where  $\varphi$  is a relative  $c$ -central extension of  $(N, L)$ .

It is easy to see that  $Z_c^*(L, L) = Z_c^*(L)$ , which is the epicenter of a Lie algebra  $L$ , discussed in [5] (Also, see [17] for more information). Let  $0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \xrightarrow{\pi} L \rightarrow 0$  be a free presentation of  $L$  such that  $N \cong S/R$  for an ideal  $S$  in  $F$ . Define

$$\gamma_{c+1}^*(N, L) = [S,{}_c F]/[R,{}_c F].$$

It is easy to see that this definition is independent of the free presentation for  $L$  (See [16]).

We recall that  $X^c \otimes Y = \underbrace{X \otimes \dots \otimes X}_{c\text{-times}} \otimes Y$  ( $c \geq 1$ ), is the abelian tensor product and the Lie algebra  $\wedge^c X$  is the  $c$ -th exterior product of  $X$ , which is the free  $\Lambda$ -module generated by  $x_1 \wedge \dots \wedge x_c$  with  $x_i \in X$  (See [7] for more details).

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we present our main results. We first give some upper bounds for the dimension of the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras. The following proposition was proved by the author in [1], which is needed for proving our results.

*Proposition 2.1* — (See [1], Proposition 2.3). Let  $L$  be a Lie algebra and  $K$  be an ideal in  $L$  contained in  $N$ ; then the following sequences are exact

(a)

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(K, L) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{M}^{(c)}\left(\frac{N}{K}, \frac{L}{K}\right) \xrightarrow{\beta} \frac{K \cap [N,{}_c L]}{[K,{}_c L]} \longrightarrow 0;$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}\left(\frac{N}{K}, \frac{L}{K}\right) \longrightarrow N \\ &\longrightarrow \frac{L}{[N, {}_c L]} \longrightarrow \frac{L}{[N, {}_c L] + K} \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using Proposition 2.1, we prove the following result. In the following proposition we generalize Corollary 3.3 of [13].

*Proposition 2.2* — Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of finite dimensional Lie algebras such that  $N$  be a complement of  $L$  and  $Z_c(L) \subseteq N$ . Let  $H = L/Z_c(L)$  and  $P = N/Z_c(L)$ . Then

- (i)  $\dim([N, {}_c L]) \leq \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H]) \leq \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) + \dim([N, {}_c L])$ ,
- (ii)  $\dim([N, {}_c L]) = \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H]) \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) \cong Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]$ ,
- (iii)  $\dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H]) = \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) + \dim([N, {}_c L]) \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H)/\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(L) \cong Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]$ .

PROOF :

(i) Set  $K = Z_c(L)$  and using Proposition 2.1(a), we obtain

$$\dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) = \dim(Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]) + \dim(\ker \beta).$$

On the other hand,

$$[P, {}_c H] = \frac{[N, {}_c L] + Z_c(L)}{Z_c(L)} \cong \frac{[N, {}_c L]}{Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]}.$$

So, we have

$$\dim([N, {}_c L]) + \dim(\ker \beta) = \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H]).$$

(ii) By first part, we have  $\dim(\ker \beta) = 0$  if and only if  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) \cong Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]$  and  $\dim(\ker \beta) = 0$  if and only if

$$\dim([N, {}_c L]) = \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H]).$$

(iii) By Proposition 2.1(a), we obtain

$$\dim(\ker \alpha) + \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H) + \dim([P, {}_c H])$$

$$= \dim \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(L) + \dim([N, {}_c L]).$$

Also,  $\dim(\ker \alpha) = 0$  if and only if

$$\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(P, H)/\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(L) \cong Z_c(L) \cap [N, {}_c L]$$

which completes the proof. □

Recall that the authors [16] proved that if  $(N, L)$  is a pair of Lie algebras and  $K \subseteq Z^*(L)$ . Then

- (i) The natural homomorphism  $\mathcal{M}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(L/K)$  is monomorphism.
- (ii)  $K \subseteq Z^*(L) \cap N$ .

Here, we extend this result and prove that the parts (i) and (ii) are equivalent, without condition  $K \subseteq Z^*(N, L)$ . Indeed, the following theorem generalizes a result of Rismanchian and Araskhan (2012) and Araskhan (2016).

**Theorem 2.3** — *Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras and  $K$  and  $N$  be complements of  $L$  such that  $K \subseteq N \cap Z_c(L)$ . Then  $K \subseteq Z_c^*(L)$  if and only if the natural map  $\mathcal{M}^c(N, L) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^c(N/K, L/K)$  is monomorphism.*

PROOF : Let  $0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \xrightarrow{\pi} L \rightarrow 0$  be a free presentation of the Lie algebra  $L$  and let  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow K \xrightarrow{\theta} \bar{L} \rightarrow 0$  be a  $c$ -central extension of another Lie algebra  $\bar{L}$ . Then by [5, Lemma 1.2] for each homomorphism  $\alpha : L \rightarrow \bar{L}$ , there exists a homomorphism  $\beta : F/[R, {}_c F] \rightarrow K$  such that  $\beta(R/[R, {}_c F]) \subseteq M$  and the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \frac{R}{[R, {}_c F]} & \longrightarrow & \frac{F}{[R, {}_c F]} & \xrightarrow{\pi} & L \longrightarrow 0 & (1) \\
 & & \beta_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & \bar{L} \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

where,  $\beta_1$  is the restriction of  $\beta$  to  $R/[R, {}_c F]$ . Now, let  $K \cong T/R$  be as in Proposition 2.1. Then, we have

$$\text{Ker}(\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N/K, L/K)) = [T, {}_c F]/[R, {}_c F].$$

Thus, we only need to verify that  $[T, {}_c F] = [R, {}_c F]$  if and only if  $K \subseteq Z_c^*(L)$ . Set  $\bar{F} = F/[R, {}_c F]$ ,  $\bar{R} = R/[R, {}_c F]$  and  $\bar{T} = T/[R, {}_c F]$ . Then  $[T, {}_c F] = [R, {}_c F]$  is equivalent to  $\bar{T} \subseteq Z_c(\bar{F})$ . Let  $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow P \xrightarrow{\theta} L \rightarrow 0$  be a  $c$ -central extension of  $L$ . Then, there exists a homomorphism  $\beta : F/[R, {}_c F] \rightarrow P$  such that the corresponding diagram with the above  $c$ -central extension in

(1) is commutative. We can see that  $P = M + \text{Im}\beta$  and hence  $\beta(Z_c(F/[R,{}_c F])) \subseteq Z_c(P)$ . So,  $\bar{\pi}(Z_c(F/[R,{}_c F])) = \theta(\beta(Z_c(F/[R,{}_c F]))) \subseteq \theta(Z_c(P))$ . Hence,  $Z_c^*(L) = \bar{\pi}(Z_c(F/[R,{}_c F]))$ . Consequently, we obtain  $\bar{\pi}(\bar{T}) \subseteq Z_c^*(L)$  if and only if  $\bar{T} \subseteq Z_c(\bar{F})$ , now the result follows.  $\square$

By the above theorem, the following corollaries can be obtained immediately.

*Corollary 2.4* — Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras and  $Z_c(L) \subseteq N$ . Then  $Z_c^*(L)$  is trivial if and only if the natural map  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(\frac{N}{\langle x \rangle}, \frac{L}{\langle x \rangle})$  has a non-trivial kernel for all non zero elements  $x$  in  $Z_c(L)$ .

*Corollary 2.5* — Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of finite dimensional Lie algebras and  $K$  be an ideal in  $L$  such that  $K \subseteq N \cap Z_c(L)$ . Then  $K \subseteq Z_c^*(L)$  if and only if the map  $\delta : \mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L) \rightarrow (L/[N,{}_c L])^c \otimes K$  is the trivial map.

In final, we state a sufficient condition for the  $c$ -nilpotent multiplier of a pair of Lie algebras to be finite dimensional. The next lemma is useful for the proof of our result, which is a generalization of Lemma 1.2 of [19].

*Lemma 2.6* — Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras. Then the Lie algebra  $\gamma_{c+1}^*(N, L)$  is a homomorphic image of  $\wedge^{c+1}N$ .

PROOF : Let  $0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \xrightarrow{\pi} L \rightarrow 0$  be a free presentation of  $L$  such that  $N \cong S/R$  for an ideal  $S$  in free Lie algebra  $F$  and  $M$  be an ideal in  $L$  such that  $M \subseteq N$  and  $M \cong T/R$  for some an ideal  $T$  in  $S$ . We prove that  $[T,_{i+1} S]/[R,_{i+1} F] (i \geq 1)$  is a homomorphic image of  $M \wedge^i N$ . Using induction on  $i$ , we first show that  $[K, [T,{}_i S]] \subseteq [K,{}_i S]$ , for all ideals  $K$  in  $S$ . The result is true for  $i = 1$ . Suppose that the result holds for  $i \geq 1$ . Then for any ideal  $K$  in  $S$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} [K, [T,_{i+1} S]] &\subseteq [[T,{}_i S], [F, K]] + [S, [T,{}_i S]] \\ &\subseteq [[K, S],{}_i S] + [S, [K,{}_i S]] = [K,_{i+1} S]. \end{aligned}$$

So, the Lie algebras  $N$  and  $[T,{}_i S]/[R,{}_i F]$  act compatibly on each other. Also, the map  $\lambda : [T,{}_i S]/[R,{}_i F] \rightarrow N$  together with the above action of  $N$  on  $[T,{}_i S]/[R,{}_i F]$  and the identity map  $Id : N \rightarrow N$  are crossed modules and so, we obtain an epimorphism

$$\psi_i : [T,{}_i S]/[R,{}_i F] \wedge N \rightarrow [T,_{i+1} S]/[R,_{i+1} F].$$

Thus, [8, Proposition 9] gives an epimorphism

$$\bar{\psi}_i : ([T,{}_i S]/[R,{}_i F] \wedge N) \wedge N \rightarrow ([T,_{i+1} S]/[R,_{i+1} F]) \wedge N.$$

Therefore, the result is obtained by induction on  $i$ .  $\square$

Now, we prove the last result.

*Corollary 2.7* — Let  $(N, L)$  be a pair of Lie algebras. If  $N/Z_c^*(N, L)$  is finite dimensional, then dimension of  $\mathcal{M}^{(c)}(N, L)$  is finite.

PROOF : Using Lemma 2.6 and a simple generalization of [16, Theorem 3.8], we obtain the following epimorphism

$$\wedge^{c+1}(N/Z_c^*(N, L)) \rightarrow \gamma_{c+1}^*(N/Z_c^*(N, L), L/Z_c^*(N, L)) \cong \gamma_{c+1}^*(N, L).$$

On the other hand; It is shown in [8] that the exterior product  $X \wedge Y$  of two crossed modules is finite dimensional, if both  $X$  and  $Y$  are finite dimensional. Consequently, if  $N/Z_c^*(N, L)$  is finite dimensional then,  $\wedge^{c+1}(N/Z_c^*(N, L))$  is finite dimensional. This complete the proof of the corollary.  $\square$

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