# ON FINITE DIMENSIONAL LIE ALGEBRAS OF PLANAR VECTOR FIELDS WITH RATIONAL COEFFICIENTS

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ABSTRACT. The Lie algebra of planar vector fields with coefficients from the field of rational functions over an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero is considered. We find all finite-dimensional Lie algebras that can be realized as subalgebras of this algebra.

#### INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero and  $R = \mathbb{K}(x, y)$  be the field of rational functions. Recall that a  $\mathbb{K}$ -linear mapping  $D: R \to R$  is called a  $\mathbb{K}$ derivation if D(fg) = D(f)g + fD(g) for all  $f, g \in R$ . We denote by  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  the Lie algebra of all  $\mathbb{K}$ -derivations of R, this algebra is a two-dimensional vector space over R, its basis  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\}$  will be called standard. In geometric terms, a derivation D is a vector field with rational coefficients and  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  is the Lie algebra of all vector fields on  $\mathbb{K}^2$  with rational coefficients. The Lie algebra  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  is closely connected with the automorphism group Aut(R) of the field R (for example if D is a locally nilpotent derivation of R, then exp D is an automorphism of R). The group Aut(R) was intensively studied by many authors (see, for example [3]). A question about finite subgroups of Aut(R) is of special interest, the description of such subgroups was recently completed by I. Dolgachev and V. Iskovskikh [3]. So, it is of interest to study finite dimensional subalgebras of the Lie algebra  $\operatorname{Der}(R) = \widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  which corresponds in some sense to Aut(R).

In this paper, we give a description of finite dimensional subalgebras of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  up to isomorphism as Lie algebras using only algebraic tools. The advantage of this approach is that many results of the paper can be transferred on Lie algebras of derivations of commutative and associative algebras over fields (in [8] we have obtained estimations for derived length of solvable Lie algebras of derivations in a similar way). Such a description over the field of complex numbers can also be obtained using analytical and geometric methods; it can be deduced from results of S. Lie (see [7], 71–73). There are many papers devoted to such subalgebras, see for example [2], [4], [10], [9], [6], [11]. The main result of the paper is Theorem 1 where all types of finite dimensional subalgebras of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  are listed. From this description one can easily obtain all possible types of finite dimensional subalgebras of the Lie algebra  $W_2(\mathbb{K}) = \text{Der}\mathbb{K}[x, y]$  (up to isomorphism as Lie algebras).

We use standard notations, the ground field  $\mathbb{K}$  is algebraically closed of characteristic zero (some results are valid for any field of characteristic 0). If  $D_1, \ldots, D_n$  are elements of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$ , then we denote by  $\mathbb{K}\langle D_1, \ldots, D_n \rangle$  or simply  $\langle D_1, \ldots, D_n \rangle$  the linear span of elements  $D_1, \ldots, D_n$  over the field  $\mathbb{K}$ . The field  $\mathbb{K}(x, y)$  of rational functions will be denoted by R, every nonzero  $\mathbb{K}$ -subspace of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  has rank 1 or 2 over R as a system of elements of the two-dimensional vector space  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  over R.

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#### 1. Preliminaries

**Lemma 1.** Suppose that  $D_1, D_2 \in W_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Then

(1) For any  $a, b \in R$  it holds  $[aD_1, bD_2] = ab[D_1, D_2] + aD_1(b)D_2 - bD_2(a)D_1$ .

(2) If  $D_1, D_2$  are linearly independent over R and  $D_1(c) = D_2(c) = 0$  for some  $c \in R$ , then  $c \in \mathbb{K}$ .

Proof. 1. Straightforward calculation.

2. Note that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \in \widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  are linear combinations of  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  with coefficients in R. Then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(c) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(c) = 0$  which implies  $c \in \mathbb{K}$ .

**Lemma 2.** Let L be a finite dimensional subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ . If L is of rank 1 over R, then there exists an element  $D_1 \in \widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  such that L is one of the following algebras:

(1)  $L = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_n D_1 \rangle$  for some  $a_i \in R$  such that  $D_1(a_i) = 0$  for all *i*. The algebra *L* is abelian.

(2)  $L = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_{n-1} D_1, b D_1 \rangle$  for some  $a_i, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $D_1(a_i) = 0$  for all  $i, D_1(b) = -1$ . L is metabelian.

(3)  $L = \langle D_1, -a^2 D_1, -2a D_1 \rangle$  for some  $a \in R$  with  $D_1(a) = 1$ . The algebra L is isomorphic to  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ .

Proof. Replacing the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[x,y]$  by the field  $R = \mathbb{K}(x,y)$  in the proof of Theorem 1 in [1] one can show that a finite dimensional subalgebra of rank 1 over R from  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  is either abelian, or metabelian of the form  $L = \langle b \rangle \land A, [b, a] = a$  for all  $a \in A$  with abelian A, or  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Consider all these cases. If L is abelian with  $\mathbb{K}$ -basis  $\{D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_nD_1\}$  then  $[D_1, a_iD_1] = 0 = D_1(a_i)D_1$  for all i. Hence  $D_1(a_i) = 0$  for all i and L is of type 1. Let  $L = \langle b \rangle \land A$  with abelian subalgebra  $A = \{D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}D_1\}$ . Then as above  $D_1(a_i) = 0$  for all i and since  $[bD_1, D_1] = D_1$  we get  $D_1(b) = -1$ . Thus L is of type 2. Finally, let  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Choose the standard basis  $\{e, f, h\}$  of L over  $\mathbb{K}$ . Without loss of generality we may put  $e = D_1, f = bD_1, h = aD_1$  for some  $a, b \in R$ . Then

$$[aD_1, D_1] = 2D_1, \quad [aD_1, bD_1] = -2bD_1, \quad [D_1, bD_1] = aD_1,$$

so using Lemma 1 we get from the first equality that  $D_1(a) = -2$ . The second equality implies  $aD_1(b) + 2b = -2b$  and therefore  $D_1(b) = -4b/a$ . The third equality yields  $D_1(b) = a$ . So, a = -4b/a and  $a^2 = -4b$ , i.e.  $b = -a^2/4$ . We get the basis  $\{D_1, -a^2/4D_1, aD_1\}$  of the algebra L. Replacing here a by -a/2 we obtain a basis  $\{D_1, -a^2D_1, -2aD_1\}$  where  $D_1(a) = 1$ .

**Remark 1.** One can easily point out realizations for Lie algebras from the previous Lemma: 1.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a_i = y^i, i = 1, ..., n;$  2.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a_i = y^i, i = 1, ..., n - 1, b = -x;$ 3.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a = x.$ 

**Lemma 3.** Let  $L \neq 0$  be a finite dimensional solvable subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  and let  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  be its arbitrary one-dimensional ideal. Then

- (1) The set  $I = RD_1 \cap L$  is an ideal of L.
- (2) dim  $L/I \leq 2$  and if dim L/I = 2, then the quotient algebra L/I is nonabelian.
- (3) If dim  $L \ge 5$ , then the ideal I contains all ideals of rank 1 over R from L.

*Proof.* 1. Take any element  $D \in L$ . Since  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  is an ideal of L we have  $[D, D_1] = \lambda D_1$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$  depending on D. Then for any element  $aD_1 \in I$  it holds

$$[D, aD_1] = D(a)D_1 + a[D, D_1] = (D(a) + \lambda a)D_1 \in I.$$

Therefore I is an ideal of L.

2. We can obviously assume that  $I \neq L$ . Choose a one-dimensional ideal  $\langle D_2 + I \rangle$  of the quotient algebra L/I. As  $D_2 \notin I$  the elements  $D_1, D_2$  are linearly independent over R. It suffices to show that the ideal  $J = I + \langle D_2 \rangle$  of the algebra L is of codimension  $\leq 1$  in L. Take arbitrary elements  $D_3 = a_3D_1 + b_3D_2$ ,  $D_4 = a_4D_1 + b_4D_2$  with  $a_3, a_4, b_3, b_4 \in R$  from the set  $L \setminus J$ . Since

$$[D_1, D_3] = D_1(a_3)D_1 + D_1(b_3)D_2 + b_3\lambda D_1 \in \langle D_1 \rangle$$

(here  $[D_2, D_1] = \lambda D_1$ ) we get  $D_1(b_3) = 0$ . Analogously from the relation  $[D_2, D_3] \in J$  we have  $D_2(b_3) = c_3 \in \mathbb{K}$ . Similar calculations yield  $D_1(b_4) = 0$ ,  $D_2(b_4) = c_4 \in \mathbb{K}$ . It can be easily shown that  $c_3 \neq 0$ ,  $c_4 \neq 0$ . Indeed, let to the contrary  $c_3 = 0$ . Then the equalities  $D_1(b_3) = 0$ ,  $D_2(b_3) = c_3 = 0$  imply by Lemma 1 that  $b_3 \in \mathbb{K}$ . This means that  $a_3D_1 \in L$ and as  $a_3D_1 \in I$  we get  $D_3 \in J$ . The latter contradicts to the choice of  $D_3$ . Analogously one can show that  $c_4 \neq 0$ . Consider the element  $c_4D_3 - c_3D_4$  of L and write it in the form

$$(c_4a_3 - c_3a_4)D_1 + (c_4b_3 - c_3b_4)D_2 = r_1D_1 + r_2D_2.$$

Straightforward calculation shows that  $D_2(r_2) = 0$ . As also  $D_1(r_2) = 0$ , the element  $r_2$  belongs to K by Lemma 1. Therefore  $c_4D_3 - c_3D_4 \in J$  and  $D_3, D_4$  are linearly dependent over J, i.e. dim  $L/J \leq 1$ .

Now let dim L/I = 2 and  $\{D_2 + I, aD_1 + bD_2 + I\}$  be a basis of L/I. Suppose that L/I is abelian. Then  $[D_2, aD_1 + bD_2] \in I$  and therefore  $D_2(b) = 0$ . From the relation  $[aD_1 + bD_2, D_1] \in \langle D_1 \rangle$  it follows that  $D_1(b) = 0$ . But then Lemma 1 yields  $b \in \mathbb{K}$  which implies  $aD_1 \in L$ . This means that  $aD_1 \in I$  and  $aD_1 + bD_2 \in I + \langle D_2 \rangle$ . The latter is impossible because the elements  $D_2$  and  $aD_1 + bD_2$  are linearly independent over I. This contradiction shows that L/I is nonabelian.

3. Finally, let dim  $L \geq 5$ ,  $I = RD_1 \cap L$  and  $T = RD_2 \cap L$  for some ideals  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle D_2 \rangle$ . Suppose that elements  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  linearly independent over R. Since dim  $L/I \leq 2$  and  $dim L/T \leq 2$  (by the proved above) and  $I \cap T = 0$  we get dim  $L \leq 4$  which contradicts to our assumption. Thus, I contains all ideals of rank 1 over R.

We need also some elementary properties of rational functions in a single variable. These properties seem to be known but having no reference we supply them with complete proofs. For a rational function  $\varphi \in \mathbb{K}(t)$  we will denote  $\varphi' = \frac{d\varphi}{dt}$ . If  $p(t) \in \mathbb{K}[t]$  is an irreducible polynomial, then  $\operatorname{ord}_p \varphi$  denotes as usually the integer  $\alpha$  from the decomposition of  $\varphi$  into the product of the form  $\varphi = p^{\alpha} \psi$ , where neither numerator nor the denominator of  $\psi$  is divisible by p.

### **Lemma 4.** Let $\mathbb{K}$ be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. Then

(1) If  $\varphi(t) \in \mathbb{K}(t) \setminus \mathbb{K}$ , then there does not exist any function  $\psi \in \mathbb{K}(t)$  such that  $\psi' = \frac{\varphi'}{t}$ .

(2) Let  $\varphi, \psi \in \mathbb{K}(t) \setminus \mathbb{K}$  be such functions that  $\mu \varphi' \psi - \varphi \psi' = 0$  for some  $\mu \in \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $\mu \in \mathbb{Q}, \ \mu = \frac{m}{n}$ , and  $\varphi^m = c\psi^n$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{K}$ . Moreover, there exists  $\theta \in \mathbb{K}(t)$  such that  $\varphi = c_1 \theta^s, \ \psi = c_2 \theta^t$  for some  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{K}, \ s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.* 1. Suppose on the contrary that there exists  $\psi \in \mathbb{K}(t)$  such that  $\psi' = \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi}$ . Let  $p \in \mathbb{K}[t]$  be an irreducible polynomial such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(\varphi) \neq 0$ . Put  $\alpha = \operatorname{ord}_p(\varphi)$ . Then  $\varphi = p^{\alpha}q$  and  $\varphi' = \alpha p^{\alpha-1}p'q + p^{\alpha}q'$ . Therefore

$$\frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} = \frac{\alpha p' p^{\alpha - 1} q + p^{\alpha} q'}{p^{\alpha} q} = \frac{\alpha q p' + p q'}{p q}.$$

Since  $\operatorname{ord}_p(\alpha q p' + pq') = 0$  it holds  $\operatorname{ord}_p\left(\frac{\varphi'}{\varphi}\right) = -1$  (note that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(q) = 0$ ). Now put  $\beta = \operatorname{ord}_p(\psi), \ \psi = p^{\beta}r$ . Then  $\psi' = \beta p' p^{\beta-1}r + p^{\beta}r'$ . If  $\beta = 0$ , then  $\psi' = r'$  and

 $\operatorname{ord}_p(\psi') = \operatorname{ord}_p(r') \ge 0$ . Suppose that  $\beta \neq 0$ . Then

$$\operatorname{ord}_p(\psi') = \operatorname{ord}_p(\beta p' p^{\beta-1} r + p^{\beta} r') = \operatorname{ord}_p(\beta p' p^{\beta-1} r) = \beta - 1$$

Therefore in any case  $\operatorname{ord}_p \psi' \neq -1$ , which contradicts to the equality  $\operatorname{ord}_p \left(\frac{\varphi'}{\varphi}\right) = -1$ .

Hence there does not exist such a polynomial  $\psi$  that  $\psi' = \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi}$ .

2. Take any functions  $\varphi,\psi$  from  $\mathbb{K}(t)\backslash\mathbb{K}$  satisfying the condition

(1) 
$$\mu\varphi'\psi-\varphi\psi'=0.$$

It can be easily shown that there exists a point  $t_0 \in \mathbb{K}$  such that  $\operatorname{ord}_{t-t_0} \varphi \neq 0$  (because the field  $\mathbb{K}$  is algebraically closed). Without loss of generality we can assume that the field  $\mathbb{K}(t)$  is embedded to the field  $\mathbb{K}((t))$  of Laurent series at the point  $t_0$ . Put

$$\varphi = \sum_{i=m}^{\infty} \alpha_i (t-t_0)^i, \quad \psi = \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \beta_i (t-t_0)^i, \text{ where } m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \alpha_m \beta_n \neq 0.$$

Since  $\operatorname{ord}_{t-t_0} \varphi \neq 0$ , it holds  $m \neq 0$ , We can assume that  $\alpha_m = \beta_n = 1$ , because the equation (1) is homogeneous. Computing coefficients at  $t^{m+n-1}$  in both sides of the equation (1) we obtain  $\mu m = n$ . Therefore  $\mu = n/m \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Further,

$$\left(\frac{\varphi^n}{\psi^m}\right)' = \frac{n\varphi^{n-1}\varphi'\psi^m - m\varphi^n\psi^{m-1}\psi'}{\psi^{2m}} = \frac{\varphi^{n-1}\psi^{m-1}(n\varphi'\psi - m\varphi\psi')}{\psi^{2m}} = 0,$$

because  $n\varphi'\psi - m\varphi\psi' = m(\mu\varphi'\psi - \varphi\psi') = 0$ . Hence,  $\frac{\varphi^n}{\psi^m} \in \mathbb{K}$  i.e.  $\varphi^n = c\psi^m$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{K}$ .

The functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  can be written as products of irreducible factors with (nonzero) integer powers

$$\varphi = \prod_{i=1}^{s} u_i^{k_i}, \quad \psi = \prod_{j=1}^{k} v_i^{l_i}.$$

Using the equality  $\varphi^n = c\psi^m$  we get k = s and after renumbering the factors we can write down  $u_i = \gamma_i v_i$  for some  $\gamma_i \in \mathbb{K}$ . Hence we have

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^{k} u_i^{k_i}\right)^n = c \left(\prod_{i=1}^{k} (\gamma_i u_i)^{l_i}\right)^m.$$

This equality implies that  $nk_i = ml_i$  for all i = 1, ..., k. Denote  $d = \gcd(m, n)$  and  $m = m_1 d$ ,  $n = n_1 d$ . We obtain equalities  $n_1 dk_i = m_1 dl_i$ , i = 1, ..., k, and therefore  $n_1k_i = m_1l_i$ . Since  $\gcd(m_1, n_1) = 1$  we obtain that  $l_i$  is divisible by  $n_1, k_i$  is divisible by  $m_1, i = 1, ..., k$ . Denote  $\frac{l_i}{n_1} = \frac{k_i}{m_1} = r_i$  and  $\theta = \prod_{i=1}^s u_i^{r_i}$ . Then  $\varphi = \theta^{m_1}, c_1 \psi = \theta^{n_1}$  for some  $c_1 \in \mathbb{K}^*$ . This completes the proof of Lemma.

**Lemma 5.** Let  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  be elements of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  linearly independent over R such that  $[D_2, D_1] = \nu D_1$  for some  $\nu \in \mathbb{K}$ . Let  $b_1, b_2$  be linearly independent over  $\mathbb{K}$  elements of  $R \setminus \mathbb{K}$  such that  $D_1(b_i) = 0, i = 1, 2$ . Then

(1) If  $[D_2, b_i D_1] = \lambda_i b_i D_1$  for some  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{K}, i = 1, 2$ , then  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ . If  $\lambda_1 \neq \nu$ , then  $\frac{\lambda_2 - \nu}{\lambda_1 - \nu} \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

(2) If  $[D_2, b_1D_1] = \lambda b_1D_1, [D_2, b_2D_1] = \lambda b_2D_1 + b_1D_1$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$ , then  $\lambda = \nu$ .

*Proof.* 1. Using the condition  $[D_2, b_i D_1] = \lambda_i b_i D_1$  we get

(2) 
$$D_2(b_i) = (\lambda_i - \nu)b_i, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Suppose that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ . Then  $D_2\left(\frac{b_1}{b_2}\right) = \frac{D_2(b_1)b_2 - b_1D_2(b_2)}{b_2^2} = 0$ . Besides,  $D_1\left(\frac{b_1}{b_2}\right) = 0$  by conditions of Lemma. Then using linear independence of elements  $D_1, D_2$  we obtain by Lemma 1 the inclusion  $\frac{b_1}{b_2} \in \mathbb{K}$ . The latter is impossible because of linear independence of elements  $b_1, b_2$  over  $\mathbb{K}$ . Hence  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ .

Let now  $\lambda_1 \neq \nu$ . Since  $b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{K}$ , the subfield ker $(D_1)$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is of transcendence degree 1 over  $\mathbb{K}$  (it is obvious that this degree cannot be equal to 2). Hence ker  $D_1$  is generated by a single element (see, for example, [12], Th. 3). Denote this element by  $\theta$ . Then  $b_1 = \varphi_1(\theta), b_2 = \varphi_2(\theta)$  for some rational functions  $\varphi_1(t), \varphi_2(t) \in \mathbb{K}(t)$ . Using the relation  $[D_2, D_1] = \nu D_1$  we see that  $D_2(\theta) \in \ker(D_1)$ . Denote also  $D_2(\theta) = f(\theta),$  $f \in \mathbb{K}(t)$ . The conditions (2) imply

$$\varphi_1'(\theta)f(\theta) = (\lambda_1 - \nu)\varphi_1(t), \quad \varphi_2'(\theta)f(\theta) = (\lambda_2 - \nu)\varphi_2(\theta).$$

Since  $\varphi_i$  are not constants and  $\lambda_1 - \nu \neq 0$  we have

$$\varphi_1 \varphi'_2 - \mu \varphi'_1 \varphi_2 = 0$$
, where  $\mu = \frac{\lambda_2 - \nu}{\lambda_1 - \nu}$ .

Now Lemma 4 yields the inclusion  $\mu \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

2. By the condition (2) of Lemma we have

(3) 
$$D_2(b_1) = (\lambda - \nu)b_1, \quad D_2(b_2) = (\lambda - \nu)b_2 + b_1.$$

As above we can show that  $b_1 = \psi_1(\theta)$ ,  $b_2 = \psi_2(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is a generator of the subfield ker  $D_1$  and  $D_2(\theta) = g(\theta)$  for some rational functions  $\psi_1, \psi_2, g \in \mathbb{K}(t)$ . Using (3) one can easily show that

(4) 
$$\psi'_1 g = (\lambda - \nu)\psi_1, \quad \psi'_2 g = (\lambda - \nu)\psi_2 + \psi_1.$$

Since  $b_1 \in R \setminus \mathbb{K}$  it holds  $\psi'_1 \neq 0$ . The equality (4) implies the next relations

(5) 
$$\frac{\psi_1'}{\psi_1} = \frac{(\lambda - \nu)\psi_2'}{(\lambda - \nu)\psi_2 + \psi_1} = \left(\frac{(\lambda - \nu)\psi_2}{\psi_1}\right)$$

(note that  $(\lambda - \nu)\psi_2 + \psi_1 \neq 0$  because  $\psi_1$  and  $\psi_2$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{K}$ ). But the relation (5) is impossible if  $\lambda \neq \nu$  by Lemma 4. This contradiction shows that  $\lambda = \nu$ .

The next statement can be easily deduced from the theorem of S. Lie about solvable Lie algebras.

**Lemma 6.** Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over the field  $\mathbb{K}$  and T, S be linear operators on V. If [T, S] = S, then the operator S is nilpotent.

## 2. Finite dimensional solvable subalgebras of $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$

**Lemma 7.** Let L be a finite dimensional solvable subalgebra of rank 2 over R of  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ and let  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  be its arbitrary one dimensional ideal. Denote  $I = RD_1 \cap L$ . If the ideal I is abelian, then there exists an element  $D_2 \in L \setminus I$  such that L is one of the following algebras:

(1)  $L = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^n/n!)D_1, D_2 \rangle$ , where  $a \in R$  such that  $D_1(a) = 0, D_2(a) = 1, [D_2, D_1] = \lambda D_1$  and  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda = 1, n \ge 1$ . If n = 0, we put  $L = \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle$ .

(2)  $L = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_n D_1, D_2 \rangle$ , where  $a_i \in R, [D_2, D_1] = D_1, D_1(a_i) = 0, D_2(a_i) = \beta m_i a_i, m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $i, \beta \in \mathbb{K}^*, m_i \neq m_j$  for  $i \neq j, n \ge 1$ .

(3)  $L = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^n/n!)D_1, D_2, bD_1 + aD_2 \rangle$ , where  $a, b \in R$  such that  $D_1(a) = 0, D_1(b) = \beta, \beta \in \mathbb{K}, [D_2, D_1] = 0, D_2(a) = 1, D_2(b) = (n+1)\gamma a^n, \gamma \in \mathbb{K}, n \ge 1$  (if n = 0 we put  $L = \langle D_1, D_2, bD_1 + aD_2 \rangle$ ).

*Proof.* The set  $I = RD_1 \cap L$  is an ideal of L by Lemma 3. We can write  $I = \langle D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_nD_1 \rangle$  for some elements  $a_i \in R$  and  $n \geq 1$  (if n = 0 we put  $I = \langle D_1 \rangle$ ). Since the ideal I is abelian we have  $D_1(a_i) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ . We consider two cases depending on dim L/I (recall that dim  $L/I \leq 2$  by Lemma 3).

<u>Case 1.</u> dim L/I = 1. Take any element  $D_2 \in L \setminus I$ . As  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  is an ideal of L we have  $[D_2, D_1] = \nu D_1$  for some  $\nu \in \mathbb{K}$ . The elements  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are linearly independent over R

by the choice of the ideal I. First, let the linear operator ad  $D_2$  have the only eigenvalue  $\nu$  on the vector space I (recall that  $[D_2, D_1] = \nu D_1$ ). If  $aD_1, bD_1 \in I$  are eigenvectors of ad  $D_2$ , i.e.  $[D_2, aD_1] = \nu aD_1, [D_2, bD_1] = \nu bD_1$ , then the elements  $aD_1, bD_1$  are linearly dependent over  $\mathbb{K}$  by Lemma 5. Hence  $D_1$  is the unique eigenvector of ad  $D_2$  on I (up to multiplication by a nonzero scalar). But then the linear operator ad  $D_2$  has a Jordan basis in I of the form  $\{D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_nD_1\}, a_i \in R$  such that

$$[D_2, a_i D_1] = \nu a_i D_1 + a_{i-1} D_1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad [D_2, D_1] = \nu D_1$$

(in case n = 0 we have  $I = \langle D_1 \rangle$ ). The last relations imply the equalities  $D_2(a_i) = a_{i-1}, i = 2, \ldots, n, D_2(a_1) = 1$ . Denoting  $a = a_1$  we have  $D_2(a_2 - a^2/2!) = 0$  and taking into account the relation  $D_1(a_2 - a^2/2!) = 0$  we see by Lemma 1 that  $a_2 - a^2/2! \in \mathbb{K}$ . But then without loss of generality we can take  $a_2 = a^2/2!$ . Analogously  $D_2(a_3 - a^3/3!) = a_2 - a_2 = 0$  and  $D_1(a_3 - a^3/3!) = 0$ , so we can put  $a_3 = a^3/3!$ . Repeating these considerations we get a  $\mathbb{K}$ -basis  $\{D_1, aD_1, \ldots, (a^n/n!)D_1\}$  of the ideal I (recall that  $I = \langle D_1 \rangle$  in case n = 0). The algebra Lie L is of type 1 because we always can assume that  $\nu = 0$  or  $\nu = 1$  choosing a convenient multiple of the element  $D_2$ .

Now let  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  have on I at least two different eigenvalues. Our aim is to show that  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  is a diagonalizable operator on I. Denote by  $I(\lambda)$  the root space of  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$ corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda, \lambda \neq \nu$ . Since  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  has on  $I(\lambda)$  the only eigenvalue  $\lambda$ it follows from the previous considerations that  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  has on  $I(\lambda)$  a Jordan basis such that the matrix of  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  in this basis is a single Jordan block. Therefore if  $\dim I(\lambda) > 1$ then there exist elements  $aD_1, bD_1 \in I$  such that

$$[D_2, aD_1] = \lambda aD_1, \quad [D_2, bD_1] = \lambda bD_1 + aD_1.$$

The latter is impossible by Lemma 5 and therefore dim  $I(\lambda) = 1$ . Choosing any element  $D'_1 \in I$  with property  $[D_2, D'_1] = \lambda D'_1$  instead of the element  $D_1$  and using Lemma 5 we can analogously show that dim  $I(\nu) = 1$ , where  $I(\nu)$  is the root space corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\nu$  of ad  $D_2$  on I. Therefore all the root spaces are one-dimensional and ad  $D_2$  is diagonalizable on I.

Since at least one of the eigenvalues of  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  on I is nonzero we can choose elements  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  in such a way that

$$[D_2, D_1] = D_1, I = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_n D_1 \rangle,$$

where  $[D_2, a_i D_1] = \lambda_i a_i D_1, \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$  if  $i \neq j$  and  $\lambda_i \neq 1, i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Applying Lemma 5 (with  $\nu = 1$ ) we can easily show that  $\frac{\lambda_i - 1}{\lambda_1 - 1} = \tau_i \in \mathbb{Q}, i = 2, ..., n$ . Denote  $\tau_i = \frac{k_i}{l_i}, k_i, l_i \in \mathbb{Z}, i = 2, ..., n$ . If l is the least common multiple of  $l_2, ..., l_n$ , then one can write  $\tau_i = \frac{m_i}{l}$  and  $\lambda_i = m_i \beta + 1$ , where  $\beta = \frac{\lambda_1 - 1}{l}$  (note that  $\lambda_i - 1 = \tau_i (\lambda_1 - 1)$ ). Thus, L is an algebra of type 2 of Lemma.

<u>Case 2.</u> dim L/I = 2. The quotient algebra L/I is nonabelian by Lemma 3, so it contains a noncentral one-dimensional ideal  $\langle D_2 + I \rangle$ . Then there exists an element  $bD_1 + cD_2 \in L$  such that

$$[bD_1 + cD_2 + I, D_2 + I] = D_2 + I.$$

This means that  $[bD_1 + cD_2, D_2] = D_2 + gD_1$  for some element  $gD_1 \in I$ . Since the ideal I is abelian it is obvious that ad  $D_2 = \operatorname{ad}(D_2 + gD_1)$  on the vector space I over  $\mathbb{K}$ . We obtain the following relation for linear operators on I:

$$[ad(bD_1 + cD_2), ad D_2] = ad(D_2 + gD_1) = ad D_2.$$

But then ad  $D_2$  acts nilpotently on I by Lemma 6. In case dim I = 1 we get (after direct calculations) the Lie algebra of type 3 with n = 0. Let dim  $I \ge 2$ . Since  $[D_2, D_1] = 0$  one can easily show (using Lemma 3) that the ideal I can be written in the form  $I = \langle D_1, aD_1, \ldots, (a^n/n!)D_1 \rangle$  for some  $a \in R, D_2(a) = 1, n \ge 1$ .

Returning now to the above mentioned element  $bD_1 + cD_2 \in L$  we see that

$$[D_1, bD_1 + cD_2] = D_1(b)D_1 + D_1(c)D_2 \in \langle D_1 \rangle$$

and therefore  $D_1(c) = 0, D_1(b) \in \mathbb{K}$ . Further, from the equality

$$[D_2, bD_1 + cD_2] = D_2(b)D_1 + D_2(c)D_2 \in I + \langle D_2 \rangle$$

we obtain  $D_2(c) = \gamma \in \mathbb{K}$ ,  $D_2(b) \in \langle 1, a, a^2/2!, \dots, a^n/n! \rangle$ . From the relations  $D_2(c) = \gamma \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $D_2(a) = 1$  it follows that  $D_2(\gamma a - c) = 0$ . Then Lemma 1 yields  $\gamma a - c \in \mathbb{K}$ , i.e.  $c = \gamma a + b$  for some  $\gamma, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$ .

The element  $D_3 = \gamma^{-1}(bD_1 + cD_2 - \beta D_2)$  of the algebra L can be written in the form  $D_3 = b_1D_1 + aD_2$  for some  $b_1 \in R$ . As  $D_2(b_1) \in \langle 1, a, a^2/2!, \ldots, a^n/n! \rangle$  we can subtract from  $b_1D_1 + aD_2$  a suitable linear combination of the elements  $D_1, aD_1, a^2/2!D_1, \ldots, a^n/n!D_1$  and assume without loss of generality that  $D_2(b_1) = (n+1)\gamma a^n$  for some  $\gamma \in \mathbb{K}$ . Denoting  $b = b_1, \beta = D_1(b) \in \mathbb{K}$  we see that L is of type 3 of this Lemma.

**Remark 2.** For each type of Lie algebras from Lemma 7 one can easily point out a realization

1.  $\lambda = 0, D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, a = y.$   $\lambda = 1, D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - x\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a = y.$ 2.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a_i = y^{m_i}, D_2 = \beta y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \beta \in \mathbb{K}.$ 3.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, a = y, b = \beta x + \gamma y^{n+1}, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{K}.$ 

**Lemma 8.** Let L be a subalgebra of  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$  satisfying all the conditions of the previous Lemma with the exception of that the ideal I is abelian. If I is nonabelian, then there exist elements  $D_1 \in I, D_2 \in L \setminus I$  such that L is one of the following algebras:

(1)  $L = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^{n-1}/(n-1)!)D_1, bD_1, D_2 \rangle$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $D_1(a) = 0, D_2(a) = 1, D_1(b) = -1, D_2(b) = 0, [D_2, D_1] = 0.$ 

(2)  $L = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_{n-1} D_1, b D_1, D_2 \rangle$ , where  $a_i, b \in R$  such that  $[D_2, D_1] = D_1, D_1(a_i) = 0, D_1(b) = -1, D_2(b) = -b, D_2(a_i) = \beta m_i a_i$  for some  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}, \beta \in \mathbb{K}^*$  and  $m_i \neq m_j$  if  $i \neq j$ .

(3)  $L = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^{n-1}/(n-1)!)D_1, (v-\alpha a^n)D_1, D_2, (-\beta v + \gamma(a^n/n!))D_1 - aD_2 \rangle$ , where  $a, v \in R$  such that  $[D_1, D_2] = 0, D_1(a) = 0, D_2(a) = 1, D_1(v) = -1, D_2(v) = 0, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$ , and  $\gamma = \alpha(\beta - n)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  be the one-dimensional ideal of L lying in I. The ideal I has by Lemma 2 a basis over  $\mathbb{K}$  of the form  $\{D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}D_1, bD_1\}$ , where  $D_1(a_i) = 0, D_1(b) = -1, i = 1, \ldots, n-1$  (for n = 0 we put  $I = \langle D_1, bD_1 \rangle$  with  $D_1(b) = -1$ ). Suppose that n = 0, i.e. dim I = 2. If dim L/I = 1, then  $L = \langle D_1, bD_1, D_2 \rangle$  is of type 2 or 3. If dim L/I = 2, then L/I is nonabelian by Lemma 3 and taking into account that L/I is nonabelian we have  $L = I \oplus J$  for nonabelian ideal J of dimension 2. Then L is of type 3. So we may assume that dim  $I \geq 3$ . As in the previous Lemma we divide the proof into following cases:

<u>Case 1.</u> dim L/I = 1. Take any element  $D_2 \in L \setminus I$ . Then  $[D_2, bD_1] = \lambda bD_1 + cD_1$ , where  $cD_1 \in I' = [I, I]$  because dim L/I' = 2 and  $\langle bD_1 + I' \rangle$  is a one-dimensional ideal of L/I'. If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then we may assume without loss of generality that  $\lambda = 1$ , and then

$$[ad D_2, ad(bD_1)] = ad(bD_1 + cD_1) = ad(bD_1)$$

on I' because I' is an abelian ideal of L. But then the linear operator  $\operatorname{ad}(bD_1)$  acts nilpotently on I' by Lemma 6. The latter is impossible and therefore  $\lambda = 0$ . This means that L/I' is an abelian Lie algebra of dimension 2. As  $[D_2, bD_1] = cD_1$  for some element  $cD_1 \in I'$  we get  $[D_2 + cD_1, bD_1] = 0$  (recall that  $[bD_1, cD_1] = cD_1$  for all  $cD_1 \in I'$ ). So, we can choose the element  $D_2$  in such a way that  $[D_2, bD_1] = 0$ . If the linear operator  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  has on  $I' = \langle D_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}D_1 \rangle$  at least two different eigenvalues, then there exists by Lemma 5 a basis  $\{D_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}D_1\}$  of I' such that  $D_2(a_i) = m_i\beta a_i$ ,

for some  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}, \beta \in \mathbb{K}^*, m_i \neq m_j$  if  $i \neq j, [D_2, D_1] = D_1$ . Then from the relation  $[D_2, bD_1] = 0$  it follows  $D_2(b) = -b$ . The algebra L is of type 2 of Lemma.

Now let  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  have the only eigenvalue  $\mu$  on I'. If  $\mu = 0$ , then L is obviously the Lie algebra of type 1 of Lemma. Let  $\mu \neq 0$ . Taking a suitable multiple of  $D_2$  we may assume that  $\mu = 1$ . Then replacing the element  $D_2$  by the element  $D_2 - bD_1$  we get the case  $\mu = 0$  and L is again of type 1 of Lemma.

<u>Case 2.</u> dim L/I = 2. As in the case 1 take a one-dimensional ideal  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  of L lying in I' and a basis of I of the form  $\{D_1, a_1D_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}D_1, bD_1\}$  such that  $D_1(a_i) = 0$ ,  $D_1(b) = -1, i = 0, \ldots, n-1$ . Let  $\langle D_2 + I \rangle$  be the one-dimensional ideal of the nonabelian quotient algebra L/I. Accordingly to Case 1 the algebra  $\langle D_2 \rangle + I$  is of type 1 or type 2 of this Lemma. Let us show that  $\langle D_2 \rangle + I$  is of type 1 of this Lemma, i. e. the linear operator ad  $D_2$  acts nilpotently on I'. Really since  $\langle bD_1 + I' \rangle$  is an ideal of the algebra L/I' and  $a(bD_1)$  acts on I' as the identity operator the ideal  $\langle bD_1 + I' \rangle$  lies in the center of L/I' (because of Lemma 6), i. e.  $[D, bD_1] \in I'$  for any element  $D \in L$ . Take any element  $cD_1 + dD_2 \in L \setminus I$  such that  $[cD_1 + dD_2, D_2] = D_2 + rD_1$  for some element  $rD_1 \in I$ . The element  $rD_1$  can be written in the form  $rD_1 = \mu bD_1 + r_1D_1$ , where  $\mu \in \mathbb{K}$ ,  $r_1D_1 \in I'$ . But then we obtain

$$[cD_1 + bD_2, D_2 + \mu bD_1] = (D_2 + \mu bD_1) + r_2D$$

for some element  $r_2D_1 \in I'$  The latter means that  $\operatorname{ad}(D_2 + \mu bD_1)$  acts nilpotently on I' (by Lemma 6). Replacing the element  $D_2$  by the element  $D_2 + \mu bD_1$  we can assume without loss of generality that  $\operatorname{ad} D_2$  is a nilpotent linear operator on I'. So, the subalgebra  $\langle D_2 \rangle + I$  is of type 1 of this Lemma and hence  $I' + \langle D_2 \rangle$  can be written in the form

$$I' + \langle D_2 \rangle = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} D_1, D_2, \rangle$$

where  $[D_2, D_1] = 0$ ,  $D_1(a) = 0$ ,  $D_2(a) = 1$ .

Further, it follows from the above mentioned equality

(6) 
$$[cD_1 + dD_2, D_2] = D_2 + r_2 D_1$$

that  $D_2(d) = -1$ . Analogously we obtain  $D_1(d) = 0$ ,  $D_1(c) = \beta_1 \in \mathbb{K}$  from the relation  $[cD_1 + dD_2, D_1] \in \langle D_1 \rangle$ . Since  $D_2(a) = 1$  and  $D_2(d) = -1$  we have  $D_2(a+d) = 0$ . Taking into account the equality  $D_1(a+d) = 0$  we obtain by Lemma 1 that  $a + d = \alpha_1 \in \mathbb{K}$ . But then  $d = -a + \alpha_1$  and without loss of generality we can choose  $cD_1 - aD_2$  instead of the element  $cD_1 + dD_2$ .

Since  $[D_2, bD_1] \in I'$  (as we have proved before) we see that

$$D_2(b) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 a + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$$

for some  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{K}$ . Put  $v = b - \alpha_0 a - \alpha_1 \frac{a^2}{2!} - \cdots - \alpha_{n-1} \frac{a^n}{n!}$ . Then  $D_1(v) = D_1(b) = -1$ ,  $D_2(v) = 0$ . Subtracting the element  $(\alpha_0 a + \alpha_1 \frac{a^2}{2!} + \cdots + \alpha_{n-2} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}) D_1 \in I'$  from the element  $bD_1$  we can assume without loss of generality that  $b = v - \alpha_{n-1} \frac{a^n}{n!}$  for some  $\alpha_{n-1} \in \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $D_1(b) = -1$ ,  $D_2(b) = \alpha_{n-1} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$ . Further, recall that for the basic element  $cD_1 - aD_2$  we have  $D_1(c) = \beta_1 \in \mathbb{K}$ .

Rewriting the relation 6 in the form  $[cD_1 - aD_2, D_2] = D_2 + r_2D_1$  we obtain that

$$D_2(c) = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 a + \dots + \gamma_{n-1} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$$
 for some  $\gamma_i \in \mathbb{K}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1.$ 

Subtracting the element  $(\gamma_0 a + \gamma_1 \frac{a^2}{2!} + \dots + \gamma_{n-2} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}) D_1 \in I'$  from the element  $cD_1 - aD_2$ we may assume without loss of generality that  $D_2(c) = \gamma_{n-1} \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$ . Suppose that  $\beta_1 = D_1(c) \neq 0$ . Since  $D_1(\beta_1^{-1}c + v - \beta_1^{-1}\gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^n}{n!}) = 0$  and  $D_2(\beta_1^{-1}c + v - \beta_1^{-1}\gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^n}{n!}) = 0$   $\beta_1^{-1}\gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}-\beta_1^{-1}\gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}=0$  we have by Lemma 1 that  $\beta_1^{-1}c+v-\beta_1^{-1}\gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^n}{n!}=\nu$  for some  $\nu \in \mathbb{K}$ . Subtracting the element  $\nu D_1 \in I'$  from the element  $cD_1 + aD_2$  we may assume that  $\nu = 0$ . Then we obtain  $c = -\beta_1 v + \gamma_{n-1}\frac{a^n}{n!}$ . Denoting  $\alpha_{n-1}$  by  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma_{n-1}$  by  $\gamma$  and  $\beta_1$  by  $\beta$  we obtain a basis of L of the form

$$\left\{D_1, aD_1, \dots, \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}D_1, (v-\alpha \frac{a^n}{n!})D_1, D_2, (-\beta v + \gamma \frac{a^n}{n!})D_1 - aD_2\right\}$$

(here  $D_1(a) = 0$ ,  $D_1(v) = -1$ ,  $D_2(a) = 1$ ,  $D_2(v) = 0$ ). Now suppose that  $\beta = D_1(c) = 0$ . Since  $D_2(c) = \gamma \frac{a^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$  we see that for the element  $c_1 = c - \gamma \frac{a^n}{n!}$  it holds  $D_1(c) = \beta = 0$ ,  $D_2(c) = 0$ . So by Lemma 1 we obtain  $c - \gamma \frac{a^n}{n!} = \nu_2$  for some  $\nu_2 \in \mathbb{K}$ . Subtracting the element  $\nu_2 D_1$  from  $cD_1 + aD_2$  we may assume that  $\nu_2 = 0$ . So we have that  $c = \gamma \frac{a^n}{n!}$  i.e. the basis of L is of the same form as in case  $\beta \neq 0$ .

Now consider the product  $[(v - \alpha a^n/n!)D_1, (\beta v + \gamma a^n/n!)D_1 - aD_2]$ . This product equals to  $(-\alpha\beta + \gamma + n\alpha)D_1$  and belongs to I'. Hence  $-\alpha\beta + \gamma + n\alpha = 0$  and  $\gamma = \alpha(\beta - n)$ . We see that L is of type 3 of Lemma.

Remark 3. There exist realizations for all types of Lie algebras from Lemma 8

1.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, a = y, b = -x.$ 2.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \beta y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, a = y, b = -x, a_i = y^{m_i}, .$ 3.  $D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, a = y, f = -x.$ 

The next three corollaries can be easily proved by using results of Lemmas 2, 7 and 8.

**Corollary 1.** Let L be a finite dimensional nilpotent subalgebra of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Then there exist elements  $D_1, D_2 \in L$  linearly independent over R such that L is one of the following algebras:

- (1)  $L = \langle D_1, a_1 D_1, \dots, a_n D_1 \rangle$ , for some  $a_i \in R$  such that  $D_1(a_i) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n$ .
- (2)  $L = \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle, [D_1, D_2] = 0.$

(3)  $L = \langle D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^n/n!)D_1, D_2 \rangle$  for some  $a \in R$  such that  $D_1(a) = 0, D_2(a) = 1, [D_1, D_2] = 0.$ 

**Corollary 2.** Let L be a finite dimensional solvable subalgebra of  $\widetilde{W_2}(\mathbb{K})$ . If L is nonabelian and decomposable into a direct sum of proper ideals, then  $L = A \oplus B$ , where A is a nonabelian ideal of dimension 2 and B is either a one-dimensional ideal or a two-dimensional nonabelian ideal of L.

**Corollary 3.** Let L be a finite dimensional solvable subalgebra of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$ . If L is nonabelian, then dim  $L/L' \leq 2$ .

# 3. Nonsolvable subalgebras of $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$

**Lemma 9.** If L is a finite dimensional semisimple subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ , then L is isomorphic to  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  or  $sl_3(\mathbb{K})$ , or  $sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \oplus sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ .

*Proof.* If L is of rank 1 (as a system of vectors) over R, then  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  by Lemma 2. So, we can assume that L is of rank 2 over R. Fix a Cartan subalgebra H of the algebra L, a basis  $\pi$  of the system  $\Delta$  of roots which correspond to H and let  $\Delta^+$  be the set of positive roots relatively to the ordering on  $\Delta$ . Consider the triangular decomposition

$$L = N_+ + H + N_-, \quad N_+ = \bigoplus_{\alpha_i > 0} L_{\alpha_i}, \quad N_- = \bigoplus_{\alpha_i < 0} L_{\alpha_i}$$

and the Borel subalgebra  $B = H + N_+$  of L. If the subalgebra  $N_+$  is abelian, then L is a direct sum  $L = L_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus L_k$  of ideals isomorphic to  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  (see, for example [5]). Then B is a direct sum  $B = B_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus B_k$  of Borel subalgebras of  $L_i \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  and using Corollary 2 we see that either  $L = L_1 \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  or  $L = L_1 \oplus L_2 \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \oplus sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ .

Now, let the subalgebra  $N_+$  be nonabelian. Since  $N_+$  is nilpotent it is indecomposable into a direct sum of nonzero ideals by Corollary 1. But then the algebra L is also indecomposable into a direct sum of proper ideals and hence is simple. By Corollary 3 we have relations

$$\dim B/B' = \dim B/N = \dim H \le 2.$$

Therefore, if  $N_+$  is nonabelian, then dim H = 2 and L is a simple Lie algebra of one of the types  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$  or  $G_2$ . First suppose that L is of type  $G_2$ . Then the subalgebra  $N_+$  from its triangular decomposition has nonabelian derived subalgebra  $[N_+, N_+]$ . The latter is impossible (see Corollary 1) and hence L cannot be of type  $G_2$ .

Further, let us show that L is not of type  $B_2$ . Fix a Cartan subalgebra H of L and a basis  $\{\alpha, \beta\}$  of the root system  $\Delta$ . Then the subalgebra  $N_+$  has the basis  $\{e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_{\alpha+\beta}, e_{\alpha+2\beta}\}$ . It follows from Corollary 1 that  $e_{\alpha+\beta} = f \cdot e_{\alpha+2\beta}$  for some element  $f \in R$ . Consider the element  $\sigma_\alpha$  of the Weyl group of the root system  $\Delta$  acting by the rule  $\sigma_\alpha(\gamma) = \gamma - \frac{2(\gamma, \alpha)}{(\alpha, \alpha)}\alpha$ , where  $\gamma$  is an arbitrary root from  $\Delta$ . Then  $\{-\alpha, \beta + \alpha.\beta, \alpha + 2\beta\}$  are positive roots relatively to the new basis  $\{\sigma_\alpha(\alpha), \sigma_\alpha(\beta)\}$ . The subalgebra  $\langle e_{-\alpha}, e_{\beta+\alpha}, e_{\beta}, e_{\alpha+2\beta}\rangle$ is nilpotent and by Corollary 1 it holds  $e_\beta = g \cdot e_{\alpha+2\beta}$  for some  $g \in R$ . Analogously one can show that  $e_\alpha = h \cdot e_{\alpha+2\beta}$  for some  $h \in R$ . Three relations with coefficients f, g, hobtained above imply that all elements from the basis of  $N_+$  are multiple to one of them and hence the subalgebra  $N_+$  is abelian by Lemma 2. This is impossible and obtained contradiction shows that L is not of type  $B_2$ . Thus, L is of type  $A_2$ .

**Lemma 10.** Let L be a finite dimensional nonsolvable subalgebra of  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$  whose Levi factor is either of type  $A_2$  or of type  $A_1 \times A_1$ . Then L is semisimple of type  $A_2$  or of type  $A_1 \times A_1$  respectively.

*Proof.* Let S = S(L) be the solvable radical of L. By Theorem of Levi-Maltsev  $L = L_1 \land S$ , where  $L_1$  is a Levi factor of L. First suppose that  $L_1$  is of type  $A_2$ . Let us fix a Cartan subalgebra H of  $L_1$  and the root system  $\Delta$  corresponding to H. Consider the triangular decomposition

(7) 
$$L = N_{-} + H + N_{+}$$

of  $L_1$  relatively to H and  $\Delta$ . Since the subalgebra  $N_+$  is nonabelian (this follows from the multiplication law in algebras of type  $A_2$ ) it contains by Corollary 1 elements  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , linearly independent over R such that  $[D_1, D_2] = 0$ . Consider S as an  $L_1$ -module and take the older vector  $D \in S$  relatively to the decomposition (7). Then we have

(8) 
$$[D_1, D] = 0, \quad [D_2, D] = 0.$$

If we write  $D = aD_1 + bD_2$  for some  $a, b \in R$ , then from the previous relation we get

$$D_1(a) = 0$$
,  $D_1(b) = 0$ ,  $D_2(a) = 0$  and  $D_2(b) = 0$ .

Lemma 1 yields now that  $a, b \in \mathbb{K}$ , i.e.  $D \in L_1$ . As  $L_1 \cap S = 0$  we obtain S = 0 and therefore  $L = L_1$  is a simple Lie algebra of type  $A_2$ .

Let now  $L_1$  be of type  $A_1 \times A_1$ . Write  $L_1 = G_1 \oplus G_2$ , where  $G_i \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  and fix Cartan subalgebras  $H_1 \subset G_1, H_2 \subset G_2$ . Consider any triangular decompositions

$$G_1 = N_{1+} + H_1 + N_{1-}, \quad G_2 = N_{2+} + H_2 + N_{2-}$$

relatively to  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ . Take any nonzero element  $D_1 \in N_{1+}$ . Then at least one of the subalgebras  $N_{1-}, N_{2+}, N_{2-}$  contains a nonzero element  $D_2$  such that  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are linearly independent over R. Really, in other case  $H_1 = [N_{1+}, N_{1-}]$  and  $H_2 = [N_{2+}, N_{2-}]$ lie also in  $RD_1$  and therefore  $L = G_1 \oplus G_2 \subset RD_1$  which is impossible by Lemma 2. It is easily shown that the two-dimensional abelian subalgebra  $N_+ = \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle$  is a part of triangular decomposition  $L = N_+ + H + N_-$  of L relatively to the Cartan subalgebra  $H = H_1 \oplus H_2$ . Choosing as above the older vector in S relatively to  $N_+$  and repeating the considerations from the case  $L_1 \simeq A_2$  we get S = 0, i.e. L is semisimple of type  $A_1 \times A_1$ .

**Lemma 11.** Let L be a nonsolvable finite dimensional subalgebra of  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Then L is isomorphic to one of the following algebras:

(1)  $sl_3(\mathbb{K})$ .

(2)  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  or  $sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \oplus sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ .

(3)  $sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_m$ , where  $V_m$  is the irreducible module over  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  of dimension m+1,  $m = 0, 1, \ldots$ 

(4)  $gl_2(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_m$ , where  $V_m$  is the irreducible module over  $gl_2(\mathbb{K})$  of dimension m + 1,  $m = 0, 1, \ldots$  and nonzero central elements of  $gl_2(\mathbb{K})$  act on  $V_m$  as nonzero scalars.

*Proof.* Let S be the solvable radical of L and  $L_1$  be a Levi factor of the algebra L. We can consider only the case  $S \neq 0$  because of Lemma 9. It follows from Lemma 10 that  $L_1 \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Choose a Cartan subalgebra H of the algebra  $L_1$  and a triangular decomposition  $L_1 = N_+ + H + N_-$  of  $L_1$ .

<u>Case 1.</u> dim S = 1 or dim S = 2. If dim S = 1, then  $L = L_1 \oplus S$  is a sum of two ideals and  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \oplus V_0$ , where  $V_0$  is a one-dimensional module over  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ . The algebra Lis of type 4 with m = 0. Suppose that dim S = 2. If S is a nonabelian ideal of L, then Lis a direct sum of ideals  $L = L_1 \oplus S$ . Since  $S = \langle w \rangle \land \langle v_0 \rangle$  for some elements  $w, v_0 \in S$ , then  $L \simeq gl_2(\mathbb{K}) \land \langle v_0 \rangle$  is of type (5) with m = 0 because  $L_1 \oplus \langle w \rangle \simeq gl_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Let Sbe abelian. Suppose that S is a reducible module. Then  $S = S_1 \oplus S_2$  is a direct sum of  $L_1$ -modules of dimension 1 over  $\mathbb{K}$ . Take the Borel subalgebra  $B = H + N_+$  of  $L_1$ . Then the subalgebra  $B \oplus S_1 \oplus S_2$  of L is solvable of dimension 4. But such an algebra does not exist by Lemmas 7 and 8. This contradiction shows that S is irreducible and  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \land V_1$ , where  $V_1$  is of dimension 2 over  $\mathbb{K}$ . The algebra L is of type 4. Further, we will assume that dim  $S \ge 3$ .

<u>Case 2.</u> S is abelian (of dimension  $\geq 3$ ). Let us show that S is an irreducible module over  $L_1$ . Assume to the contrary that S is reducible. If S is a sum of one-dimensional submodules over  $L_1$ , then  $L = L_1 \oplus S$  is a direct sum of ideals. Its subalgebra B + Sis solvable, nonabelian and decomposable into direct sum of subalgebras  $B \oplus S$ . The latter is impossible by Corollary 2. So we can assume  $S = S_1 \oplus S_2$  where  $S_1, S_2$  are  $L_1$ -submodules, dim  $S_1 \geq 2$  and  $S_1$  is irreducible (note that  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are ideals of L because S is abelian). Let  $D_2 \in N_+$  be a nonzero element. Then the subalgebra  $M = \langle D_2 \rangle + S$  is nonabelian, nilpotent and dim  $M/[M, M] \leq 2$  by Corollary 3. On the other hand, since  $[M, M] = [D_2, S_1] \oplus [D_2, S_2]$ , dim  $S_i/[D_2, S_i] \geq 1$ , i = 1, 2 (because ad  $D_2$  acts nilpotently on  $S_i$ ) we have

$$\dim M/[M, M] = \dim \langle D_2 \rangle + \dim S_1/[D_2, S_1] + \dim S_2/[D_2, S_2] \ge 3.$$

The latter contradicts to Corollary 3 and hence S is a simple  $L_1$ -module. It is obvious that L is of type 4. Note that the subalgebra  $M = \langle D_2 \rangle + S$  is of the form

$$\langle D_2, D_1, aD_1, \dots, \frac{a^k}{k!} D_1 \rangle, \quad [D_2, D_1] = 0, \quad D_1(a) = 0, \quad D_2(a) = 1.$$

<u>Case 3.</u> S is a nilpotent (nonabelian) ideal. Then by Corollary 1 there exist elements  $D_1, D_2 \in S$  such that

$$S = \langle D_2, D_1, aD_1, \dots, (a^k/k!)D_1 \rangle, [D_2, D_1] = 0,$$
$$D_1(a) = 0, D_2(a) = 1, \dim S \ge 3.$$

Therefore  $\langle D_1 \rangle = S^{k-1}$  and  $\langle D_1 \rangle$  is an ideal of L. Using Lemma 3 we see that  $RD_1 \cap L$  is an ideal of L and therefore  $L_1 \not\prec \langle D_1, aD_1, \ldots, \frac{a^k}{k!}D_1 \rangle$  is a subalgebra of L. This subalgebra has the abelian decomposable ideal  $\langle D_1, aD_1, \ldots, \frac{a^k}{k!}D_1 \rangle$ . This is impossible by the Case 1 and therefore the Case 3 is impossible.

<u>Case 4.</u> S is solvable (nonnilpotent). The  $L_1$ -submodule S' = [S, S] is nilpotent, therefore S' is abelian by the previous case and S' is an irreducible  $L_1$ -module by Cases 1 and 2. Since dim  $S/S' \leq 2$  by Corollary 3 we have a direct decomposition  $S = S' \oplus S_2$ of  $L_1$ -submodules with dim  $S_2 \leq 2$ . First suppose that dim  $S_2 = 2$ . Let us show that  $S_2$  is an irreducible  $L_1$ -module. Indeed, in other case  $S_2 \subseteq C_S(L_1)$  and the centralizer  $C_S(L_1)$  a submodule of the L-module S. Because of previous cases we can assume that dim  $S' \geq 2$  and hence S' is an irreducible  $L_1$ -module. Then obviously  $C_S(L_1) = S_2$ . Since  $C_S(L_1) = S_2$  is a subalgebra of L the sum  $S_2 + L_1$  is a subalgebra of L. The latter is impossible because the subalgebra  $S_2 + L_1$  does not exist by the Case 1. This contradiction shows that  $S_2$  is an irreducible  $L_1$ -module.

Choose any nonzero elements  $D_2 \in N_+$  and  $h \in H$  and take standard bases  $\{e_0, e_1\} \subset S_2$  and  $\{f_0, f_1, \ldots, f_m\} \subset S'$  of the  $L_1$ -modules  $S_2$  and S' respectively (recall that  $L_1 \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K})$ ). Then the linear operator ad h has eigenvalues 1, -1 on  $S_2$ . If the eigenvalues of ad h on S' are even, then the elements  $[e_i, f_j]$  are eigenvectors for ad h with odd eigenvalues. Since  $[e_i, f_j] \in S'$  we see that  $[e_i, f_j] = 0$ . Let now the eigenvalues of ad h on S' be odd. Then  $[e_i, f_j]$  are eigenvectors for ad h with even eigenvalues, so  $[e_i, f_j] = 0, i = 0, 1, j = 0, 1, \ldots, m$ . As S' is abelian the latter means that  $S' \subset Z(S)$ . This is impossible because of our assumption on S and therefore dim S/S' = 1. Hence dim  $S_2 = 1$ . The subalgebra  $S_2 + L_1$  is obviously isomorphic to  $gl_2(\mathbb{K})$  and S' is an irreducible  $S_2 + L_1$ -module. Since  $S_2$  lies in the center of  $S_2 + L_1$  and S is nonabelian we see that each nonzero element of  $S_2$  acts on S' as multiplication by a nonzero scalar. We get a Lie algebra of type 5 from this Lemma.

**Remark 4.** For each type of Lie algebras from this Lemma one can easily point out its realization

$$\begin{array}{l} (1) \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, y \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, x (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), y (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}) \right\rangle \simeq sl_{3}(\mathbb{K}); \\ (2) \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, -x^{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, -2x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right\rangle \simeq sl_{2}(\mathbb{K}) \quad \text{and} \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, -x^{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - 2x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, -y^{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, -2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right\rangle \\ \simeq sl_{2}(\mathbb{K}) \oplus sl_{2}(\mathbb{K}); \\ (3) \left\langle x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, y \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, x^{m} (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), x^{m-1} y (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), \dots, y^{m} (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}) \right\rangle \simeq \\ sl_{2}(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_{m}; \\ (4) \left\langle x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, y \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, x^{m} (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), x^{m-1} y (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), \dots, y^{m} (x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}) \right\rangle \simeq \\ gl_{2}(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_{m}. \end{array}$$

We give a description of finite dimensional subalgebras of the Lie algebra  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  up to isomorphism as Lie algebras. In fact we give more information about such Lie algebras (up to choice of basis  $\{D_1, D_2\}$  of the two-dimensional vector space  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  over the field  $R = \mathbb{K}(x, y)$ ). In order to clarify the structure of described subalgebras of  $\widetilde{W}_2(\mathbb{K})$  we formulate the main Theorem in terms of generators and relations.

**Theorem 1.** Let L be a nonzero finite dimensional subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ . Then the algebra L belongs to one of the following types:

(1)  $L = \langle e_1, \ldots, e_n \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0, i, j = 1, \ldots, n$ .

(2)  $L = \langle e_1, \ldots, e_n, f \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0, [f, e_i] = e_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$ .

(3)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_0] = \lambda e_0$ ,  $[f, e_i] = \lambda e_i + e_{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda = 1$ .

(4)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_i] = (1 + \beta m_i)e_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{K}^*$  and  $m_i \neq m_j$  provided that  $i \neq j$ .

(5)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f, g \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_0] = 0$ ,  $[f, e_i] = e_{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $[g, e_i] = (i - \beta)e_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[g, f] = f - \gamma e_n$ ,  $\beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{K}$ .

(6)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f, g \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_i] = e_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[g, e_0] = 0$ ,  $[g, e_i] = e_{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , [f, g] = 0.

(7)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f, g \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_i] = e_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[g, e_i] = (1 + \beta m_i)e_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ , [g, f] = 0,  $\beta \in \mathbb{K}^*$ ,  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $m_i \neq m_j$  if  $i \neq j$ . (8)  $L = \langle e_0, \dots, e_n, f, g, h \rangle$ , where  $[e_i, e_j] = 0$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $[f, e_0] = 0$ ,  $[f, e_i] = e_{i-1}$ ,

 $(0) L = (c_0, \dots, c_n, f, g, n), \text{ where } [c_i, c_j] = 0, \, i, j = 0, \dots, n, \, [f, c_0] = 0, \, [f, c_i] = c_{i-1}, \\ i = 1, \dots, n, \, [g, e_i] = e_i, \, i = 0, \dots, n, \, [g, f] = \alpha e_n, \, [h, e_i] = -(\beta + i)e_i, \, [h, f] = f - \gamma e_n, \\ [h, g] = 0, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}, \gamma = \alpha(\beta - n).$ 

(9)  $L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K}), \text{ or } L \simeq sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \oplus sl_2(\mathbb{K}).$ 

(10)  $L \simeq sl_3(\mathbb{K}).$ 

(11)  $sl_2(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_m$ , where  $V_m$  is the irreducible module over  $sl_2(\mathbb{K})$  of dimension m+1, m = 0, 1, ...

(12)  $gl_2(\mathbb{K}) \wedge V_m$ , where  $V_m$  is the irreducible module over  $gl_2(\mathbb{K})$  of dimension m+1,  $m = 0, 1, \ldots$  and nonzero central elements of  $gl_2(\mathbb{K})$  act on  $V_m$  as nonzero scalars.

Proof. Let L be a finite dimensional solvable subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $W_2(\mathbb{K})$ . If L is of rank 1 over R, then L is of type 1 or 2 by Lemma 2. Let L be of rank 2 over R. If L possesses an abelian ideal I of rank 1 over R which is maximal with this property, then L is of type 3, 4 or 5 by Lemma 7 (we denote  $e_i = a_i D_1$  in type 4 and  $e_i = (a^i/i!)D_1$  for types 3 and 5). Let the ideal I be nonabelian. Then by Lemma 8 L is one of types 6, 7 or 8 (as above we denote  $e_i = a_i D_1$  in type 7 and  $e_i = (a^i/i!)D_1$  for types 6 and 8,  $f = bD_1$  for types 6 and 7 and  $f = D_2, g = (v - \alpha(a^n/n!))D_1$  for type 8 of this Theorem). Further, let L be nonsolvable. If L is semisimple, then L is one of type 9 or 10 by Lemma 9. Finally, if solvable radical of L is nonzero, then L is either of type 11 or of type 12 by Lemma 11.

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