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# ALGEBRAIC LIE ALGEBRA BUNDLES AND DERIVATIONS OF LIE ALGEBRA BUNDLES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we define algebraic Lie algebra bundles, discuss some results on algebraic Lie algebra bundles and derivations of Lie algebra bundles. Some results involving inner derivations and central derivations of Lie algebra bundles are obtained.

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#### 1. Introduction

A Lie algebra is called algebraic if it is the Lie algebra of an algebraic group [4]. C. Chevalley in [3] gave an alternative definition of algebraic Lie algebras based on the replica of a matrix. In the second section, an algebraic Lie algebra bundle is defined and a few basic properties of algebraic Lie algebra bundles are discussed.

A derivation of a Lie algebra plays an important role in the structure of a Lie algebra. G. Hochschild [6] defined derivation algebras of a Lie algebra. B. S. Kiranagi, R. Kumar, K. Ajaykumar and B. Madhu have defined and studied derivation algebra bundle of a Lie algebra bundle in [7]. In the third section, characteristically solvable Lie algebra bundles are characterized and the relations between inner and central derivations are discussed.

Here we assume that all the base spaces are compact Hausdorff and the underlying field is real or complex.

## 2. Algebraic Lie algebra bundles

We recall a few relevant definitions to define our algebraic Lie algebra bundles. If k is any integer and  $E_k$  is the unit matrix of degree k then the Kronecker sum is given by  $X \oplus Y = X \otimes E_n + E_m \otimes Y$  where X, Y are matrices of degree m and n respectively. Further, for any matrix  $X, X_{rs} = \underbrace{X^* \oplus X^* \oplus X^* \oplus \cdots \oplus X^*}_{\text{r times}} \oplus \underbrace{X \oplus X \oplus \cdots \oplus X}_{\text{s times}}$ .

It is a matrix of degree  $m^{r+s}$ . A vector of type (r,s) is a column of  $m^{r+s}$  elements from the field. A vector  $\vec{e}$  of type (r,s) is called an invariant of X if  $X_{rs}\vec{e}=0$ . C. Chevalley in [2] introduced the notion of a replica of a matrix. A matrix Y is said to be a replica of a matrix X if every invariant of X is also an invariant of Y.

A **Lie algebra bundle** is a vector bundle  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  in which each fibre  $\xi_x$  is a Lie algebra and for each x in B, there is an open neighbourhood U of x, a Lie algebra L and a homeomorphism  $\phi: U \times L \to p^{-1}(U)$  such that for each y in U,  $\phi_y: L \to p^{-1}(y)$  is a Lie algebra isomorphism.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle with local trivialization  $\phi : U \times L \to p^{-1}(U)$ . For any endomorphism A of  $\xi$ , we define  $A' \in End(\xi)$  as the **replica** of A, if any invariant of  $A|\xi_x$  is also an invariant of  $A'|\xi_x$ . The set of all replicas of A is denoted by  $\{A\}$ .

A Lie algebra of matrices is said to be algebraic [3] if replicas of every matrix is in the same Lie algebra. Morikuni Gôtô in [5] refers to this algebraicity of Lie algebra of matrices as l-algebraicity.

**Definition 2.2.** Any subbundle of  $End(\xi)$  is said to be an **l-algebraic bundle** if each of its fibre is l-algebraic.

The smallest l-algebraic Lie algebra which contains a subalgebra L of gl(n, K) is called the algebraic hull of L and is denoted by  $L^*[5]$ . It is the smallest l-algebraic Lie algebra containing L.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle and  $End\xi$  be the Lie algebra bundle of endomorphisms on  $\xi$  with the local trivialization  $\phi : U \times EndL \to (Endp)^{-1}(U)$  such that  $\phi_x : \{x\} \times EndL \to (Endp)^{-1}(x)$  is an isomorphism. By this isomorphism, for a subbundle  $\eta$  of  $End(\xi)$  there exists a smallest algebraic Lie algebra  $\eta_x^*$  containing  $\eta_x$  for all  $x \in B$ . Then  $\eta^* = \bigcup_{x \in B} \eta_x^*$  is a Lie algebra bundle and is called the algebraic hull of  $\eta$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle. Then any  $A \in End(\xi)$  can be uniquely expressed as  $A = A^0 + A^s$  where  $A^0$  is nilpotent and  $A^s$  on  $\xi_x$  is a matrix with simple elementary divisors.

**Proof.** Let  $\phi: U \times EndL \to (Endp)^{-1}(U)$  be a local trivialization of  $End\xi$ . Then from the isomorphism  $\phi_x: \{x\} \times EndL \to (Endp)^{-1}(x)$  for any  $A \in End\xi$  corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots$  of A in  $\xi_x$ , the Lie algebra  $\xi_x$  can be written as a direct sum of eigenspaces,  $\xi_x = E_{\lambda_1} \oplus E_{\lambda_2} \oplus \cdots$ . Let  $A^s$  be such that  $A^s | \xi_x : \xi_x \to \xi_x$ 

is  $A^s y = \lambda_i y$  for  $y \in E_{\lambda_i}$ . Then  $A^s$  is well defined endomorphism on  $\xi$ . Further,  $A^s$  on  $\xi_x$  is a matrix with simple elementary divisors,  $(X - \lambda_i)$ . Put  $A^0 = A - A^s$  on each  $\xi_x$ . Then  $A^0$  is nilpotent. Also,  $A^0$  and  $A^s$  commute and hence this representation is unique.

**Lemma 2.5.** In the representation of Lemma 2.4,  $A^0$  and  $A^s$  are replicas of A.

**Lemma 2.6.** Any  $A \in End(\xi)$  can be decomposed as  $A_x = (A_0)_x + \lambda_1(A_1)_x + \lambda_2(A_2)_x + \cdots + \lambda_l(A_l)_x$  on each fibre  $\xi_x$  of  $End(\xi)$ .

**Proof.**  $A|\xi_x$  is an endomorphism on  $\xi_x$ . Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_k$  be the distinct eigenvalues of  $A|\xi_x$ . Of these let l be the maximal number of  $\lambda_i$ 's which are linearly independent over the prime field P of complex numbers, say,  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_l$ . Then for each  $i=1,2,\ldots,k,\ \lambda_i=\sum_{j=1}^l r_{ij}\lambda_j,\ r_{ij}\in P$ . If V is the vector space on which  $A|\xi_x$  operates, then  $V=\bigoplus_{i=1}^k V_{\lambda_i}$ . Let  $E_i$  be the projection of V on  $V_{\lambda_i}$ . Then for  $y\in V,\ y=y_1+y_2+\cdots+y_k$  and  $E_iy=y_i$ . From Lemma 2.4,  $(A')_xy_i=\lambda_iy_i$ . Hence, we get  $(A')_xy=(A')_x(\sum_{i=1}^k y_i)=\sum_{i=1}^k (A')_xy_i=\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_iy_i=\sum_{i=1}^k (\lambda_iE_i)y$  from which it follows that  $(A')_x=\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_iE_i$ . Take  $(A_j)_x=\sum_{i=1}^k r_{ij}E_i,\ j=1,2,\ldots,l$ . Then  $(A)_x=(A_0)_x+(A')_x=(A_0)_x+\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_iE_i=(A_0)_x+\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l r_{ij}\lambda_jE_i=(A_0)_x+\sum_{j=1}^l \lambda_j(A_j)_x$ . This proves the lemma.

**Theorem 2.7.** If  $\xi$  is a Lie algebra bundle then the derivation algebra bundle of  $\xi$ ,  $D(\xi)$  is l-algebraic.

**Proof.** For any  $D \in D(\xi)$  we show that  $\{D\} \subset D(\xi)$ . From the derivation  $D|\xi_x = D_x$  we have the decomposition of  $\xi_x$  as  $\xi_x = E_\alpha \oplus E_\beta \oplus \ldots$  where  $\alpha, \beta, \ldots$  are the eigenvalues of  $D_x, x \in B$ . Then for  $y \in E_\alpha$  and  $z \in E_\beta$ ,  $D_x y = \alpha y$  and  $D_x z = \beta z$ .  $D_x[y,z] = [D_x y,z] + [y,D_x z] = [\alpha y,z] + [y,\beta z] = (\alpha+\beta)[y,z]$  so that  $[y,z] \in E_{(\alpha+\beta)}$  if  $\alpha+\beta$  is an eigenvalue of  $D_x$ . Therefore,  $[E_\alpha,E_\beta] \subseteq E_{(\alpha+\beta)}$ . From [5]  $D^s$  is a derivation of  $\xi$ . Therefore, we consider the case when D is an s-matrix on  $\xi_x$ .

Then for a suitable basis  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_r$  of  $\xi_x$  we have  $D_x x_i = a_i x_i, i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let the structure constants of  $\xi_x$  be  $[x_i, x_j] = \sum_h c_{ijh} x_h$ . Then  $D \in D(\xi)$  implies  $D[x_i, x_j] = D \sum_h c_{ijh} x_h = (a_i + a_j)[x_i, x_j]$ . From the equality of sums on both sides,  $(a_i + a_j)c_{ijh} = a_h c_{ijh}, \forall i, j, h = 1, 2, \ldots, r$  or  $(a_i + a_j - a_h)c_{ijh} = 0 \ \forall i, j, h = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let  $D = D^0 + D^s$  be a canonical decomposition of D such that  $D_x = D_x^0 + \lambda_1(D_x)_1 + \lambda_2(D_x)_2 + \ldots + \lambda_k(D_x)_k$ . Then each  $(D_x)_l$  may be defined as  $(D_x)_l x_i = r_l^l x_i$  where  $a_i = \sum_l \lambda_l r_l^l$ . Now  $(a_i + a_j - a_h)c_{ijh} = 0$  is a trivial relation if  $c_{ijh} = 0$ . If  $c_{ijh} \neq 0$ ,  $(a_i + a_j - a_h) = 0$  which gives  $\sum_l (r_l^l + r_j^l - r_h^l) \lambda_l = 0$ . Since  $\lambda_l$ 's are linearly independent  $r_l^l + r_l^l - r_h^l = 0$ . Thus when  $a_i = r_l^l$  the condition  $(a_i + a_j - a_h)c_{ijh} = 0$  is satisfied. This gives  $D_l \in D(\xi)$  so that  $\{D\} \subseteq D(\xi)$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi)$  is l-algebraic.

**Proposition 2.8.** Let  $\eta$  be a Lie subbundle of  $End(\xi)$  and  $\eta_1$  be a subbundle of  $\eta$ . Then  $I(\eta_1)^* = I(\eta_1^*)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\phi_x: \{x\} \times ad(L_1)^* \to I_x(\eta_1)^*$  be the local trivialization of  $I(\eta_1)^*$  at  $x \in B$ . By [10] Proposition 4,  $ad(L_1)^*$  is spanned by the replicas,  $\{ady\}$  with y in  $L_1$ . For any element A of End(L) and a subalgebra H of End(L) such that  $[A, H] \subset H$ ,  $\{adA\} = ad\{A\}$ . Therefore,  $ad(L_1)^* = span\{\{ady\} : y \in L_1\} = ad\{span\{y\} : y \in L_1\} = ad(L_1^*)$ . Then  $\psi_x: \{x\} \times ad(L_1^*) \to I_x(\eta_1^*)$  is the local trivialization of  $I(\eta_1^*)$  and hence  $I(\eta_1)^* = I(\eta_1^*)$ .

**Remark 2.9.** For a Lie subalgebra L of gl(V),  $R(L^*) = R(L)^*[5]$ . For a subbundle  $\eta$  of  $End(\xi)$ ,  $R(\eta) = \bigcup_{x \in B} R(\eta_x)$  and hence  $R(\eta^*) = R(\eta)^*$ .

**Proposition 2.10.** Let  $\eta^*$  be the algebraic hull of a subbundle  $\eta$  of  $End(\xi)$ . Then

- (1) Every ideal bundle of  $\eta$  is also an ideal bundle in  $\eta^*$ .
- (2) Center of  $\eta$  is contained in the center of  $\eta^*$ .
- (3)  $\eta$  and  $\eta^*$  have the same derived algebra.
- (4) If  $\eta$  is an ideal bundle in a subbundle  $\eta_1$  of  $End(\xi)$  then  $[\eta_1^*, \eta^*] \subset \eta$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\phi_x : \{x\} \times \eta_x^* \to p^{-1}(x)$  be the local trivialization of  $\eta^*$  at  $x \in B$ . Then by [3] every ideal in  $\eta_x$  is an ideal in  $\eta_x^*$ . For any ideal bundle  $\eta$  of  $\eta$ ,  $\eta$  is an ideal bundle of  $\eta^*$  by the local trivialization  $\phi_x : p^{-1}(x) \to x \times \eta_x$  which proves (1). (2) follows from  $Z(\eta) = \bigcup_{x \in B} Z(\eta_x) \subset \bigcup_{x \in B} Z(\eta_x^*) = Z(\eta_x^*)$ . For any  $k, \eta^k = \bigcup_{x \in B} \eta_x^k = \bigcup_{x \in B} (\eta_x^*)^k = (\eta^*)^k$  which proves (3).  $[\eta_1^*, \eta^*] = \bigcup_{x \in B} [(\eta_1^*)_x, (\eta^*)_x] \subset \bigcup_{x \in B} \eta_x = \eta$  from which (4) holds.

Corollary 2.11. If  $\eta^*$  is the algebraic hull of a subbundle  $\eta$  of  $End(\xi)$ , then  $\eta$  is an ideal in  $\eta^*$  and  $\eta^*/\eta$  is an abelian subbundle. If  $\eta$  is solvable, then  $\eta^*$  is solvable.

**Proof.** By Proposition 2.10,  $\eta$  is an ideal bundle in  $\eta^*$ . From Proposition 2.10(4),  $[\eta^*, \eta^*] \subset \eta$  implies  $\forall x \in B, [\eta_x^*, \eta_x^*] \subset \eta_x$ . For all  $k, k' \in \eta_x^*, [k + \eta_x, k' + \eta_x] = [k.k'] + \eta_x = 0 + \eta_x$  so that  $\eta_x^*/\eta_x$  is abelian for all  $x \in B$ . Hence  $\eta^*/\eta$  is an abelian Lie subbundle.  $\eta$  is solvable and hence  $\eta_x$  is solvable for every  $x \in B$ .  $\eta_x^*/\eta_x$  is abelian as a Lie algebra and hence  $\eta_x^*$  is solvable. Therefore,  $\eta^*$  is solvable.  $\square$ 

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $\eta$  be an algebraic Lie subbundle of  $End(\xi)$ . If  $R(\eta)$  is the radical of  $\eta$  and  $\eta = \mathfrak{S} + R(\eta)$ , then  $R(\eta)$  is algebraic.

**Proof.** Let  $R(\eta)^*$  be the algebraic hull of  $R(\eta)$ . Since  $\eta$  is algebraic,  $R(\eta)^* \subset \eta$  and  $[\eta, R(\eta)^*] = \bigcup_{x \in B} [\eta_x, R(\eta)^*_x] \subset R(\eta) \subset R(\eta)^*$ . Therefore, it follows that  $R(\eta)^*$  is an ideal subbundle of  $\eta$ . By Proposition 2.10,  $[R(\eta)^*, R(\eta)^*] \subset R(\eta)$  so that by Corollary 2.11  $R(\eta)^*/R(\eta)$  is an abelian Lie subbundle of  $\eta$  and hence  $R(\eta)^*$  is solvable. Therefore,  $R(\eta)^* = R(\eta)$  which shows that  $R(\eta)$  is algebraic.

#### 3. Derivations of Lie algebra bundles

Let  $\xi$  be a Lie algebra bundle. A vector bundle morphism  $D: \xi \to \xi$  is called a **derivation** if D([u,v]) = [u,D(v)] + [D(u),v] for all  $u,v \in \xi_x$ .

A derivation D is called **inner** if there exists a section s of  $\xi$  such that for all u in  $\xi_x$  and x in B, D(u) = [u, s(x)][7].

A derivation D is **central** if for each x in B,  $D\xi_x \subseteq Z(\xi_x)$ . The set of all derivations of  $\xi$  form a Lie algebra bundle denoted by  $D(\xi)$ . Then the set of all inner derivations of  $\xi$  denoted by  $I(\xi)$  and the set of all central derivations denoted by  $C(\xi)$  form subbundles of  $D(\xi)$ .

Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle,  $\phi : U \times L \to \bigcup_{x \in B} \xi_x$  be a local triviality of  $\xi$  where L is a Lie algebra, let R be the radical of L,  $\xi_x^r$  be the radical of  $\xi_x$ . Then  $\phi : U \times R \to \xi_x^r$  is an isomorphism. We call the bundle as **radical bundle** of  $\xi$ .

Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle and  $\xi$  be the direct sum of the ideal bundles  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ . Let  $p_i$  be the projection morphism of  $\xi$  onto  $\xi_i$ . Identify an element  $\phi_{ij}$  of  $End(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  with an element  $\phi_{ij}p_i$  of  $End(\xi)$ . Then  $End(\xi_i, \xi_j) \subset$  $End(\xi)$ . Let  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j) = D(\xi) \cap End(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . So that  $D(\xi_i, \xi_i) = D(\xi_i)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\xi$  be the direct sum of the ideal bundles  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \ldots, \xi_n$ . Then

- (1)  $D(\xi) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ .
- (2) For  $i \neq j$ ,  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  consists of  $\phi_{ij} \in End(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  such that  $\phi_{ij}\xi_i \subset Z(\xi_j)$  and  $\phi_{ij}[\xi_i, \xi_j] = 0$ .
- (3) For  $i \neq j, D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  is abelian.

**Proof.** We shall first prove (2). Let  $D \in D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . Then  $D \in End(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . For  $b \in B$  and  $x_i, x_j$  in  $\xi_i$  and  $\xi_j$  respectively,  $D[x_i, x_j] = 0$  and hence  $D(\xi_i)_b \subset Z(\xi_j)_b$ . It follows that  $D(\xi_i) \subset Z(\xi_j)$ . Also,  $D[\xi_i, \xi_i] = 0$ . Conversely, let  $\phi_{ij}$  be an element of  $End(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  which satisfies the conditions in (2). Then  $\phi_{ij}$  is identified with  $\phi_{ij}p_i$  of  $End(\xi)$  so that  $\phi_{ij}[x_k, x_l] = 0 = [\phi_{ij}(x_k), x_l] + [x_k, \phi_{ij}(x_l)]$  for all  $x_k, x_l$  in  $\xi_x, x \in B$ . This shows that  $\phi_{ij}$  is a derivation of  $\xi$ . This proves (1).

Let  $D \in D(\xi)$ . Set  $\phi_{ij} = p_j D p_i$  where  $p_i, p_j$  are projections on  $\xi_i, \xi_j$  respectively. Then  $\phi_{ij} : \xi_i \to \xi_j$  is a Lie algebra homomorphism and  $D = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \phi_{ij}$ .

For  $i \neq j$ ,  $\phi_{ij}$  satisfies conditions of (2). Therefore,  $\phi_{ij} \in D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . From this it follows that  $D \in \sum_{i,j=1}^n D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  and hence  $D(\xi) \subset \sum_{i,j=1}^n D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . Converse is also true. Therefore,  $D(\xi) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  which proves (2).

Let  $i \neq j$  and  $D_{ij}, D'_{ij} \in D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . Then for x in B,  $[D_{ij}, D'_{ij}](x_k) = 0, x_k \in \xi_x$  which shows that  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  is abelian. This proves (3).

**Definition 3.2.** A Lie algebra bundle  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  is said to be characteristically solvable if  $D(\xi)$  is solvable and  $Z(\xi) \subset [\xi, \xi]$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\xi$  be a solvable Lie algebra bundle such that  $Z(\xi) \subset [\xi, \xi]$ . If  $D(\xi) = \mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}(\xi)$ , then  $\xi$  is characteristically solvable.

**Proof.** By hypothesis,  $Z(\xi) \subset [\xi, \xi]$ . We need only prove that  $D(\xi)$  is solvable. Since  $\xi$  is solvable,  $ad \xi$  is solvable and hence  $ad \xi$  is an ideal bundle of  $R(\xi)$ .

Let D be a derivation in  $\mathfrak{S}$ . Then for any  $x \in B$ ,  $[ad\xi_x, D|\xi_x] \subseteq ad\xi_x$  and  $[ad\xi_x, D|\xi_x] \subseteq \mathfrak{S}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Therefore,  $[ad\xi, D] \subseteq ad\xi$  and  $[ad\xi, D] \subseteq \mathfrak{S}$  so that  $[ad\xi, D]$  is solvable. By hypothesis,  $[ad\xi, D] = 0$  and hence  $D\xi \subset Z(\xi) \subset [\xi, \xi]$ . Now,  $D^2\xi \subset D[\xi, \xi]$  and  $D^2 = 0$  gives D is nilpotent.

Let V be a finite dimensional ample Lie subalgebra of  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $s \in V$ . Then s(x) is a derivation in  $\mathfrak{S}$  and is nilpotent. This implies ads is nilpotent. By Engel's Theorem for Lie algebra bundles  $\mathfrak{S}$  is nilpotent and hence solvable. Since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is semisimple,  $\mathfrak{S}=0$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi)=R(\xi)$  and we conclude that  $D(\xi)$  is solvable.

Let  $\overline{D}(\xi)$  denote the subbundle of  $D(\xi)$  consisting of all derivations of  $\xi$  such that  $D\xi \subset Z(\xi)$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Suppose  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  is the direct sum of the ideal bundles  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ . Suppose  $Z(\xi_j) \subset [\xi_j, \xi_j]$  for some j, then

- (1)  $\overline{D}(\xi_i)$  is an abelian ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$ .
- (2)  $[D(\xi_i, \xi_i), D(\xi_i, \xi_i)] \in \overline{D}(\xi_i)$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

**Proof.** For all  $x \in B$ ,  $\overline{D}(\xi_j)_x$  is an abelian ideal of  $D(\xi_j)_x$  and hence  $\overline{D}(\xi_j)$  is an abelian ideal bundle of  $D(\xi_j)$ . Further,  $[\overline{D}(\xi_j), \sum_{i \neq j} D(\xi_i) + \sum_{i \neq k} D(\xi_i, \xi_k)] = (0)$  so that from Theorem 3.1(1),  $\overline{D}(\xi_j)$  is an abelian ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$  which proves (1).

Let  $D_{ij}$  and  $D_{ji}$ ,  $i \neq j$  be two elements of  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$  and  $D(\xi_j, \xi_i)$  respectively. Then,  $[D_{ij}, D_{ji}]_x(\xi_i)_x = (0)$  and  $[D_{ij}, D_{ji}]_x(\xi_j)_x \in Z(\xi_j)_x$  for all x in B so that  $[D_{ij}, D_{ji}]$  belongs to  $\overline{D}(\xi_j)$ . Therefore, (2) is proved.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\xi$  be a nonabelian solvable Lie algebra bundle. If  $D(\xi) = \mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}$ , then  $D(\xi)$  is solvable and  $\xi$  is either characteristically solvable or the direct sum of a characteristically solvable ideal bundle and a central ideal bundle of rank 1.

**Proof.** Let  $\phi: U \times L \to \bigcup_{x \in U} \xi_x$  be the local triviality of  $\xi$ . From Theorem 3.3, we need only prove the result when  $Z(\xi) \not\subset [\xi, \xi]$ .

Let  $L_1$  and Z be subspaces of Z(L) such that

$$Z(L) = L_1 \oplus Z$$
,  $L_1 \cap [L, L] = (0)$ ,  $Z \subset [L, L]$ .

Let  $L_2$  be a subspace of the Lie algebra L containing [L, L] such that  $L = L_1 \oplus L_2$ . For each  $x \in B$ , let  $(\xi_1)_x$  and  $Z_x$  be subspaces of  $\xi_x$  such that

$$Z(\xi_x) = (\xi_1)_x \oplus Z_x, \quad (\xi_1)_x \cap [\xi_x, \xi_x] = (0), \quad Z(\xi_x) \subset [\xi_x, \xi_x].$$

Let  $(\xi_2)_x$  be a subalgebra of  $\xi_x$  containing  $[\xi_x, \xi_x]$  such that  $\xi_x = (\xi_1)_x \oplus (\xi_2)_x$  for  $x \in B$ . Then by the local triviality

$$\phi': U \times L_1 \to \bigcup_{x \in U} (\xi_1)_x, \qquad \phi'': U \times Z \to \bigcup_{x \in U} Z_x$$

and

$$\phi''': U \times L_2 \to \bigcup_{x \in U} (\xi_2)_x$$

 $\xi_1 = \bigcup(\xi_1)_x$ ,  $Z = \bigcup Z_x$  and  $\xi_2 = \bigcup(\xi_2)_x$  form subbundles of  $\xi$  such that  $Z(\xi) = \xi_1 \oplus Z$  and  $\xi = \xi_1 \oplus \xi_2$ .  $\xi_1 \subset Z(\xi)$  and hence  $\xi_1$  is a central ideal bundle of  $\xi$ .  $\xi$  is non abelian and  $\xi_2 \supset [\xi, \xi]$  so that  $\xi_2$  is a non-zero ideal bundle of  $\xi$ .  $Z(\xi_2)_x \subset [(\xi_2)_x, (\xi_2)_x]$  and hence  $Z(\xi_2) \subset [\xi_2, \xi_2]$ . By hypothesis,  $D(\xi) = \mathfrak{S} \oplus \mathfrak{R}$  where  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a semisimple ideal bundle and  $\mathfrak{R}$  is the radical bundle of  $D(\xi)$ . Let  $D(\xi_2) = \mathfrak{S}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{R}_2$  by Levi decomposition for Lie algebra bundles. From Theorem 3.4(1),  $\overline{D}(\xi_2)$  is an abelian ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$  and hence  $\overline{D}(\xi_2)$  is solvable from which it follows  $\overline{D}(\xi_2) \subset \mathfrak{R}_2$ .

For  $x \in B$ , set

$$\mathfrak{M}_{x} = \operatorname{span}\{(D_{1})_{x}, D(\xi_{1}, \xi_{2})_{x}, D(\xi_{2}, \xi_{1})_{x}, (\mathfrak{R}_{2})_{x}\}$$

where  $D_1$  is the identity derivation of  $\xi_1$ . If I is the ideal  $span\{D_1,D(L_1,L_2),D(L_2,L_1),R_2\}$  and  $\psi:U\times D(L)\to\bigcup D(\xi_x)$  is the local triviality of  $D(\xi)$ , then by the morphism  $\psi|_{\mathfrak{M}}: U \times I \to \bigcup_{x \in U} \mathfrak{M}_x$ ,  $\mathfrak{M} = \bigcup_{x \in B} \mathfrak{M}_x$ is an ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$ . By Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.4,  $\mathfrak{M}_x^{(i)} \subset (\mathfrak{R}_2)_x +$  $(\overline{D}(\xi_2) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2) + D(\xi_2, \xi_1))_x$ . Since  $\Re_2$  is solvable,  $\Re_2^{(k)} = 0$  for some k so that  $\mathfrak{M}_x^{(k)} \subset (\overline{D}(\xi_2) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2) + D(\xi_2, \xi_1))_x$ . Using Theorem 3.4,  $\mathfrak{M}_x^{(k+1)} \subset \overline{D}(\xi_2)_x$  and hence  $\mathfrak{M}_{x}^{(k+2)}=(0)$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a solvable ideal bundle of  $\xi$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{M}\subset\mathfrak{R}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a unique maximal semisimple subalgebra bundle of  $D(\xi)$ ,  $\mathfrak{S}$  contains  $\mathfrak{S}_2$ .  $[\mathfrak{R}_2,\mathfrak{S}_2]$  is a solvable semisimple ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$  and hence  $[\mathfrak{R}_2,\mathfrak{S}_2]=(0)$ . This shows that  $D(\xi_2) = \mathfrak{S}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{R}_2$ . Therefore,  $\xi_2$  is characteristically solvable by Theorem 3.3. For any  $D \in \mathfrak{M}$ ,  $D\xi_x \in (D_1)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x + (\mathfrak{R}_2)_x \subset$  $(D_1)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x + D(\xi_2)_x$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{M} \subset (D_1) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x + D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x$  $D(\xi_2, \xi_1) + D(\xi_2)$ . Also for any  $D \in (D_1) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2) + D(\xi_2, \xi_1) + D(\xi_2)$ , by construction of  $\mathfrak{M}$ ,  $D \in \mathfrak{M}$ . Hence,  $\mathfrak{M} = (D_1) + D(\xi_1, \xi_2) + D(\xi_2, \xi_1) + D(\xi_2)$ . We assert that  $rank(\xi_1) = 1$ . If  $dim(\xi_1)_x > 1$ , then by [9]  $D(\xi_1)_x = (\mathfrak{S}_1)_x + (D_1)_x$ semisimple  $(\mathfrak{S}_1)_x$ is a non-zero ideal of  $D(\xi_1)_x$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi)_x = (\mathfrak{S}_1)_x + \mathfrak{M}_x$  and  $[(\mathfrak{S}_1)_x, \mathfrak{M}_x] = (0)$ . Let  $D_{11}$  be any element of  $(\mathfrak{S}_1)_x$ . Then  $[D_{21}, D_{11}] = (0)$  for any element  $D_{21}$  of  $D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x$  so that  $D_{21}D_{11} = (0)$ .  $(\xi_1)_x$  is abelian and by Theorem 3.1(2),

$$D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x(\xi_2)_x = (\xi_1)_x.$$

Therefore,  $D_{11} = 0$  whence  $(\mathfrak{S}_1)_x = (0)$  which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\dim(\xi_1)_x = 1$ . This gives that rank of  $\xi_1$  is 1. Thus  $D(\xi_1) = (D_1)$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi) = \mathfrak{M}$  from which it can be concluded that  $D(\xi)$  is solvable. This proves the theorem.

From [1]  $Herm(E) = \bigcup_{x \in B} Herm(E_x)$  forms a vector bundle where  $Herm(E_x)$  is the vector space of all Hermitian forms on  $E_x$ .

For  $x \in B$  and  $\forall f, g \in Herm(E_x)$  define [f, g] = fog - gof. Then  $Herm(E_x)$  becomes a Lie algebra with this product structure. For every  $x \in B$  and a neighbourhood U of x in B let  $\phi : p^{-1}(U) \to U \times \xi_x$  be the local trivialization of  $\xi$ .

Define  $Herm\phi: U \times Herm(E_x) \to (Hermp)^{-1}$  by  $Herm\phi(s,T) = \phi_s o To(\phi_s)^{-1}$ . We observe that  $Herm\phi$  is a Lie bundle isomorphism. Hence Herm(E) is a Lie algebra bundle. **Definition 3.6.** A Hermitian metric on a Lie algebra bundle is a section  $h: E \to HermE$  such that h(x) is positive definite for all  $x \in B$ . A Lie bundle with a specified Hermitian metric is called a Hermitian Lie bundle.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle.  $\eta$  be a subbundle of  $\xi$  and h be the Hermitian metric on  $\xi$ . Then there exists a subbundle  $\eta'$  of  $\xi$  such that  $\xi = \eta \oplus \eta'$ .

**Proof.** For all  $x \in B$  consider the orthogonal projection  $P_x : \xi_x \to \eta_x$  given by the Hermitian metric. Define  $P : \xi \to \eta$  such that P on  $\xi_x$  is the projection  $P_x$  for all  $x \in B$ .

We claim that P is continuous. As the problem is local in nature, we assume that  $\xi$  is trivial. Then there exists sections  $s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_n$  of  $\xi$  which forms a basis on each fibre. For any  $v \in \xi_x$ ,  $v = \sum h_x(v, s_i(x))s_i(x)$ . P is continuous since h is continuous. Therefore, P is a projection operator on  $\xi$ . If  $\eta_x^{\perp}$  is the Lie subalgebra of  $\xi_x$  which is orthogonal to  $\eta_x$  under the metric h, then  $\eta^{\perp} = \bigcup \eta_x^{\perp}$  is the kernel of P and hence is a subbundle of  $\xi$ . Therefore,  $\xi = \eta \oplus \eta^{\perp}$ .

**Proposition 3.8.** Let  $\xi$  be any subbundle of the Lie algebra bundle  $End(\xi)$ . If  $C(\xi) \subset I(\xi)^*$ , then  $Z(\xi) = 0$  or  $\xi = [\xi, \xi]$ .

**Proof.** By Levi decomposition,  $\xi = \mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}$  where  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a semisimple subbundle and  $\mathfrak{R}$  is the radical bundle of  $\xi$ . Further, since  $\xi^*$  is algebraic,  $\xi^* = \mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}^*$ . Suppose  $Z(\xi) \neq 0$  and  $\xi \neq [\xi, \xi]$ . We have,

$$\begin{split} [\xi, \xi] &= [\xi, \mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}] \\ &= [\xi, \mathfrak{S}] + [\xi, \mathfrak{R}] \\ &= [\mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{S}] + [\xi, \mathfrak{R}] \\ &= \mathfrak{S} + [\xi, \mathfrak{R}]. \end{split}$$

Since  $\xi \neq [\xi, \xi]$ ,  $\xi \neq \mathfrak{S} + [\xi, \mathfrak{R}]$  so that  $[\xi, \mathfrak{R}] \neq \mathfrak{R}$ . Since  $[\xi, \xi] \neq 0$ ,  $[\xi, \mathfrak{R}] \neq \mathfrak{R}$ , by Proposition 3.7 we can choose a subbundle U of  $\mathfrak{R}$  such that  $\mathfrak{R} = U \oplus [\xi, \mathfrak{R}]$ . Then  $\xi = \mathfrak{S} \oplus U \oplus [\xi, \mathfrak{R}]$ . Define a non-zero morphism D on  $\xi$  as, for  $x \in B$ ,

$$DU_x \subset Z(\xi_x)$$
 and  $D(\mathfrak{S} + [\xi, R(\xi)]) = 0$ .

Then D is a central derivation on  $\xi$ . Given  $C(\xi) \subset I(\xi)^*$  and hence  $C(\xi) \subset I(\mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}^*)$  so that D is in  $I(\mathfrak{S} + \mathfrak{R}^*)$  which implies that there exists a section s with  $s(x) \in \xi_x = \mathfrak{S}_x + \mathfrak{R}_x^*$  such that  $D(u) = [u, v_0]$  where  $v_0 = p_x + r_x \in \mathfrak{S}_x + \mathfrak{R}_x^*$ . Therefore,  $D(u) = [u, p_x] + [u, r_x]$ . Since  $D\mathfrak{S} = 0$ ,  $D(u) = ad_{r_x}(u)$ . This implies

 $D(U_x) = ad_{r_x}(U_x) = [r_x, U_x] \subset [R_x^*, U_x] \subset [R_x^*, R_x] = 0$ . Hence  $D(U_x) = 0$  which shows that D is a zero morphism which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $Z(\xi) = 0$  or  $\xi = [\xi, \xi]$ .

Let  $\xi = (E, p, B)$  be a Lie algebra bundle. Set  $Z_1(\xi_x) = \{e \in \xi_x : [e, \xi_x] \subseteq Z(\xi_x)\}$  for all  $x \in B$ . Then  $Z_1(\xi_x)$  is a subalgebra of  $\xi_x$ ,  $x \in B$ . Define  $Z_1(\xi) = \bigcup Z_1(\xi_x)$ . Then  $Z_1(\xi)$  is a subbundle of  $\xi$ .

**Proposition 3.9.** Let  $Z(\xi)$  be the center of  $\xi$ . Then  $I(\xi) \cap C(\xi) = I(Z_1(\xi))$ .

**Proof.** Let  $D \in I(\xi) \cap C(\xi)$ . Then  $D : \xi \to \xi$  is an inner derivation. Therefore, there exists a section s of  $\xi$  such that D(u) = [u, s(x)] for all u in  $\xi_x$  and x in B. Let  $x \in B$ . Then  $[u, s(x)] = D(u) \in Z(\xi_x)$  for all  $u \in \xi_x$  which implies  $s(x) \in Z_1(\xi_x)$ . Therefore,  $s : \xi \to Z_1(\xi)$  is a section of  $Z_1(\xi)$ . Hence  $D \in I(Z_1(\xi))$ .

On the other hand, let  $D \in I(Z_1(\xi))$ . Clearly  $D \in I(\xi)$ . Also, D(u) = [u, s(x)] for some section s of  $Z_1(\xi)$  and  $s(x) \in Z_1(\xi_x)$  so that  $D(u) = [u, s(x)] \in Z(\xi_x)$  which shows that  $D \in C(\xi)$ . Hence the proof is completed.

**Theorem 3.10.**  $I(\xi) \subset C(\xi)$  if and only if  $\xi^3 = 0$ .

**Proof.**  $I(\xi) \subset C(\xi)$  gives  $I\xi_x \subset Z(\xi_x) \ \forall x \in B$ . Then for any I in  $I(\xi), [\xi_x, I(\xi_x)] = 0$  for all  $x \in B$ .

Now.

 $I\xi_x = \{[u, s(x)] \mid \forall u \in \xi_x \text{ and s is a section of } \xi \text{ such that } s(x) = v_0 \in \xi_x\}$ =  $\{[u, v_0] \mid \forall u \in \xi_x \text{ and for some } v_0 \in \xi_x\}.$ 

Therefore,  $I\xi_x = [\xi_x, v_0]$  for some  $v_0 \in \xi_x$  so that  $I\xi_x = \xi_x^2$ .

Let  $v_0 \in \xi_x$ . Then  $Y = \{x\}$  is a closed subspace of B. Define a section  $s: Y \to E/Y$  as  $s(x) = v_0$ . Then the section can be extended to E by [1]. Therefore,  $\forall v_0 \in \xi_x$ , there exists a section s of  $\xi$  such that  $s(x) = v_0$ .

Set,  $Du = [u, v_0] = [u, S(x)]$  for every  $u \in \xi_x$ . Then D is an inner derivation of  $\xi$ . Therefore,  $I(\xi) \subset C(\xi)$  giving  $[\xi_x, D(\xi_x)] = 0 \ \forall x \in B$ . It follows that  $\xi_x^3 = 0 \ \forall x \in B$  and hence  $\xi^3 = 0$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\xi^3 = 0$ . This implies  $\xi^2 \subset Z$  which gives  $[\xi_x^2, u] = 0 \ \forall u \in \xi_x, x \in B$ . Hence  $[I(\xi_x), u] = 0 \ \forall x \in B$  which shows that  $I(\xi_x) \subset Z(\xi_x)$ . Therefore,  $I(\xi) \subset C(\xi)$ . This proves the result.

**Theorem 3.11.** Assume that the center  $Z(\xi_x)$  is non-zero for each  $x \in B$ . Then  $I(\xi) = C(\xi)$  if and only if  $\xi^2 = Z$  and rank  $Z(\xi) = 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\phi: U \times Z(L) \to \bigcup_{x \in U} Z(\xi_x)$  be the local triviality of centre bundle of  $\xi$ , D be the identity derivation on  $Z(\xi)$  i.e.,  $D(y) = y \, \forall \, y \in Z(\xi_x)$ , x in B. Extend this trivially to a derivation of  $\xi$ . Then D is a central derivation of  $\xi$ . If D is an inner derivation, then there exists a section s of  $\xi$  such that  $Du = [u, v_0], \, v_0 = s(x), \, u \in \xi_x$  and  $x \in B$ . If  $\xi^2 \neq Z(\xi)$ , then there exists  $x \in B$  such that  $\xi_x^2 \neq Z(\xi_x)$ . Let  $u \in Z(\xi_x) - \xi_x^2$ . Then  $Du = [u, v_0] = 0, \, v_0 = s(x)$  which is not true since Du = u for all  $u \in Z(\xi_x)$ . Therefore, D is not an inner derivation which is a contradiction. Hence  $\xi^2 = Z(\xi)$ .

For any  $x \in B$ ,  $dim I(\xi_x) = dim(\xi_x/Z(\xi_x))$  and  $dim C(\xi_x) = dim(\xi_x/\xi_x^2) \times dim Z(\xi_x)$  which gives  $dim Z(\xi_x) = 1$  and hence  $rank Z(\xi) = 1$ . Conversely, suppose  $\xi^2 = Z$  and  $rank Z(\xi) = 1$ . Then  $\xi^2 = Z$  gives  $\xi^3 = 0$ . By Theorem 3.10,  $I(\xi) \subset C(\xi)$ . By the above formulae on dimensions of  $I(\xi_x)$  and  $C(\xi_x)$ ,  $dim I(\xi_x) = dim C(\xi_x) \ \forall x \in B$ . Thus  $I(\xi) = C(\xi)$ .

**Theorem 3.12.**  $D(\xi) = C(\xi)$  if and only if  $\xi$  is abelian.

**Proof.** We prove that  $\xi^2=0$ . Suppose  $\xi^2=\bigcup_{x\in B}\xi_x^2\neq (0)$ . Then we can find a  $x\in B$  such that  $\xi_x^2\neq (0)$ . If  $Z(\xi_x)=(0)$ , then  $C(\xi_x)=(0)$  which gives  $D(\xi_x)=(0)$ . It follows that  $\xi_x=0$ . Therefore, we assume  $Z(\xi)\neq (0)$ . Then by Theorem 3.10,  $\xi^3=0$ . Since  $\xi^2\neq 0$ , for some x in B we obtain a Lie subalgebra  $U_x\neq 0$  such that  $\xi_x=U_x\oplus (\xi_x)^2$ . Let  $D_x$  be the identity mapping of  $U_x$ ,  $D_xu=u$ , for all  $x\in U_x$ . We shall extend this mapping trivially to a derivation D of  $\xi$ . Then D is a derivation of  $\xi$  which is not central - a contradiction to our supposition. Therefore,  $\xi^2=0$ . Conversely, if  $\xi$  is abelian, then  $Z(\xi)=\xi$  and hence every derivation is central.

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $\xi$  be the direct sum of the ideal bundles  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ . Then  $D(\xi) = I(\xi) \oplus C(\xi)$  if and only if  $D(\xi_i) = I(\xi_i) \oplus C(\xi_i)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $D(\xi_i) = I(\xi_i) \oplus C(\xi_i)$ . From [11]  $D(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n D(\xi_i) \oplus \sum_{i,j=1}^n D(\xi_i, \xi_j)$ . For  $i \neq j$ ,  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j)\xi_i \subset Z(\xi_j)$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi_i, \xi_j) \subset C(\xi_i)$ . It follows that  $D(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n I(\xi_i) \oplus C(\xi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n I(\xi_i) \oplus \sum_{i=1}^n C(\xi_i)$ . Further  $\sum_{i=1}^n I(\xi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n ad(\xi_i) = ad(\xi_1 \oplus \xi_2 \oplus \ldots \oplus \xi_n) = I(\xi)$ . Also,  $C(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n C(\xi_i)$ . Therefore,  $D(\xi) = I(\xi) \oplus C(\xi)$ .

Conversely, assume  $D(\xi) = I(\xi) \oplus C(\xi)$ . Any derivation  $D_i$  of  $\xi_i$  can be trivially extended to a derivation D of  $\xi$ . Then  $D = D_1 + \overline{D}$  where  $D_1$  is in  $I(\xi)$  and  $\overline{D}$  is in  $C(\xi)$  which gives  $D|\xi_i = D_i = D_1|\xi_i + \overline{D}|\xi_i$ . Therefore,  $\overline{D}|\xi_i = \overline{D}_i = D_i - D_1|\xi_i$  so that  $\overline{D}_i \xi_i \subset \xi_i \cap Z(\xi) = Z(\xi_i)$ . Hence  $\overline{D}_i \in C(\xi_i)$  which gives  $D(\xi_i) = I(\xi_i) \oplus C(\xi_i)$ .  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $\xi$  be a non abelian nilpotent Lie algebra bundle such that  $Z(\xi)$  is not contained in  $[\xi, \xi]$ . Then  $D(\xi)$  is not nilpotent.  $D(\xi)$  contains a solvable non nilpotent ideal bundle.

**Proof.** Let  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$  be subbundles of  $\xi$  as in Theorem 3.5. Then  $Z(\xi_2) \subset [\xi_2, \xi_2]$ . For  $x \in B$ , set  $\mathfrak{M}_x = \operatorname{span}\{(D_1)_x, D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x, D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x, \overline{D}(\xi_2)_x\}$  where  $D_1$  is the identity derivation of  $\xi_1$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M} = \bigcup_{x \in B} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Then by Theorem 3.1,  $\mathfrak{M}$  is an ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$ .  $\mathfrak{M}_x^{(1)} \subset \overline{D}(\xi_2)_x + D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x + D(\xi_2, \xi_1)_x$ . Then by Theorem 3.4  $\mathfrak{M}_x^{(3)} = 0$  so that  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a solvable ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$ . Since  $\xi$  is non abelian and nilpotent  $D(\xi_1, \xi_2) \neq 0$ . Since  $[D_1, D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x] = D(\xi_1, \xi_2)_x$ ,  $\mathfrak{M}$  is not nilpotent. Thus  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a solvable non nilpotent ideal bundle of  $D(\xi)$ .

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