

# Simple Lie Algebras of Small Characteristic

## III. The Toral Rank 2 Case

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It is proved that every finite dimensional simple Lie algebra of absolute toral rank 2 over an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p > 3$  is of classical or Cartan type or a Melikian algebra. © 2001 Academic Press

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This paper is the third one in a series devoted to classifying all finite-dimensional, simple Lie algebras over an algebraically closed field  $F$  of characteristic  $p > 3$ . The aim of the series is to generalize the existing classification of finite-dimensional, simple Lie algebras of characteristic  $p > 7$  to the characteristics 5 and 7, and to confirm the generalized Kostrikin–Shafarevich conjecture ([Ko-S 66]) according to which any finite-dimensional, simple Lie algebra over  $F$ , for  $p > 5$ , is either classical or of Cartan type.

The Block–Wilson–Strade theory aims at proving that any finite-dimensional, simple Lie algebra  $L$  of characteristic  $p > 7$  contains a maximal subalgebra  $L_{(0)}$  that satisfies the conditions of Wilson’s recognition theorem [Wil 76]. Such a subalgebra is hard to construct, one of the reasons

being that a priori it is not clear whether  $L$  possesses a maximal subalgebra  $M$  with  $\text{nil } M \neq (0)$  (in characteristics 2 and 3 this is still an open problem). In order to construct  $L_{(0)}$  one needs a very special torus  $T$  in the  $p$ -envelope  $L_p$  of  $L \cong \text{ad } L$  in  $\text{Der } L$ . First of all, one needs a torus  $T \subset L_p$  of maximal dimension such that the centralizer  $C_L(T)$  acts triangulably on  $L$ . Such tori are called *standard*. Each 1-section  $L[\alpha] := L(\alpha)/\text{rad } L(\alpha)$  of  $L$  relative to a standard torus  $T$  is either zero or  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  or  $W(1; \underline{1})$  or  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset L[\alpha] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$  holds. If in the latter two cases the *standard maximal* subalgebra  $L[\alpha]_{(0)}$  of  $L[\alpha]$  is  $T$ -invariant,  $\alpha$  is said to be *proper*. If  $L$  contains a  $T$ -eigenvector  $x$  such that  $(\text{ad } x)^2 = 0$  then  $T$  is called *nonrigid* and  $x$  is said to be a *homogeneous sandwich*. Standard nonrigid tori with all roots proper are the “very special” tori employed in the classification.

In the Block–Wilson–Strade theory, constructing a “very special” torus  $T$  relies on the classification of simple Lie algebras of absolute toral rank 2. For  $p > 7$ , such a classification (often referred to as the *rank two case*) was obtained by Block–Wilson (see [B-W 82, B-W 88]). Having solved the rank two case (which occupies [B-W 82] and most of [B-W 88]) Block and Wilson succeeded to construct  $L_{(0)}$  under the assumption that, for any  $x \in L$ , the derivation  $(\text{ad } x)^p$  is inner. The resulting classification of *restricted* simple Lie algebras confirmed for  $p > 7$  the original Kostrikin–Shafarevich conjecture (from 1966) formulated for  $p > 5$  in [Ko-S 66]. Proving the *generalized* Kostrikin–Shafarevich conjecture for  $p > 7$  for not necessarily restricted Lie algebras (thereby solving the classification problem for  $p > 7$ ) required more effort and was obtained by the second author in a series of papers begun with in [St 89/1] and finished in [St 98].

The purpose of this paper is to solve the rank two case under the assumption that  $p > 3$ . Recall that, for a centerless, finite-dimensional Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  over  $F$ , the absolute toral rank of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , denoted by  $TR(\mathfrak{g})$ , equals the maximal dimension of tori in the  $p$ -envelope  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \text{ad } \mathfrak{g}$  in the derivation algebra  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{D}$  denote the algebra of Cayley octonions over  $F$ . The result of the paper is the following.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Let  $L$  be a finite-dimensional, simple Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field  $F$  of characteristic  $p > 3$  satisfying  $TR(L) = 2$ . Then  $L$  is isomorphic to one of the Lie algebras listed below.*

(i) *Classical Lie algebras:*

$\mathfrak{sl}(3)$  (type  $A_2$ );

$\mathfrak{sp}(4)$  (type  $C_2$ );

$\text{Der } \mathfrak{D}$  (type  $G_2$ ).

(ii) *Restricted Cartan type Lie algebras:*

$$W(2; \underline{1}), S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}, H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}, K(3; \underline{1}).$$

(iii) *Nonrestricted Cartan type Lie algebras:*

- (a)  $W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta)$  (*Albert–Zassenhaus algebras*);
- (b)  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$  (*a Block algebra*);
- (c)  $H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$  (*a graded Hamiltonian algebra*).
- (iv)  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1), p = 5$  (*the restricted Melikian algebra*).

The proof of this theorem will rely very heavily on the methods, terminology, and notation introduced in [P-St 97, P-St 99].

More than 12 years ago the breakthrough publication [B-W 88] proved the remarkable conjecture by Kostrikin–Shafarevich on the structure of finite-dimensional, simple  $p$ -Lie algebras in the case  $p > 7$  and provided a framework for the classification of all finite dimensional simple Lie algebras for  $p > 3$ . Especially important is the intermediate result [B-W 88, (9.1.1)]. With (9.1.1) available it is relatively easy (compared with the efforts made to prove (9.1.1)) to obtain the main classification result of [B-W 88].

The work of the second author related to the general case (but still for  $p > 7$ ) began with the observation that [B-W 88, (9.1.1)] can be used for not necessarily restricted Lie algebras as well. However, it turned out that the general case was much harder than the restricted one. After establishing a suitable generalization of [B-W 88, (9.1.1)] (see [St 89/2]) it was split into four subcases eventually solved in [St 91/1, St 93, St 94, St 98].

The results of the present paper allow one to prove a complete analogue of [B-W 88, (9.1.1)] in the case  $p > 3$  (this will be presented in the next paper). We have two additional members in the corresponding list, namely the Melikian algebra  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  of characteristic 5, and one more which only appears if also a Melikian two-section occurs for the algebra and the torus under consideration. For  $p = 7$  no extra algebras arise. Moreover, inspection shows that the final sections of [B-W 88] generalize without much trouble (for restricted Lie algebras).

Furthermore, [St 91/1, St 93, St 94] need only minor modifications in order to accommodate the cases  $p = 5$  and  $p = 7$ . New methods are now available which allow one to replace [St 98] and to handle the case where two-sections of Melikian type occur. With all this in mind we both believe that the main difficulties in the classification problem for  $p > 3$  have been overcome by proving the result of this note.

## 2. MAXIMAL TORI

From now on let  $L$  be a counterexample of minimal dimension to Theorem 1.1. In particular,  $L$  is simple and  $TR(L) = 2$ . We denote by  $L_p$  the  $p$ -envelope of  $L \cong \text{ad } L$  in  $\text{Der } L$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a finite-dimensional Lie algebra over  $F$  and  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  a  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . A torus  $T \subset \mathfrak{g}_p$  is called *standard* if the centralizer  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(T)$  acts triangulably on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We denote by  $\Gamma = \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, T)$  the root system of  $\mathfrak{g}$  relative to  $T$  (the zero root is not included in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, T)$ ). If  $T$  is standard and  $\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, T)$  we set  $H := C_{\mathfrak{g}}(T)$ ,  $H_{\alpha} := \{h \in H \mid \alpha(h) = 0\}$ , and  $K_{\alpha} := \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \mid [x, \mathfrak{g}_{-\alpha}] \subset H_{\alpha}\}$  (here  $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha}$  stands for the root subspace of  $\mathfrak{g}$  corresponding to  $\alpha$ ). We set

$$\text{nil } H = \{h \in H \mid \text{ad } h \text{ is nilpotent}\},$$

and define

$$K(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha) := H_{\alpha} \oplus \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} K_{i\alpha},$$

$$\tilde{K}(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha) := H + K(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha),$$

$$K'(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha) := \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} K_{i\alpha} + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} [K_{i\alpha}, K_{-i\alpha}],$$

$$R_{\alpha} := \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \mid [x, \mathfrak{g}_{-\alpha}] \subset \text{nil } H\},$$

$$R(\mathfrak{g}, T) := \text{nil } H \oplus \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, T)} R_{\alpha},$$

$$\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, T) := H + R(\mathfrak{g}, T).$$

It is easy to check that  $K(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$ ,  $\tilde{K}(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$ ,  $K'(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$ ,  $R(\mathfrak{g}, T)$ ,  $\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, T)$  are subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Moreover, the subalgebra  $\tilde{K}(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$  is solvable and  $K(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$  is a nilpotent ideal of  $\tilde{K}(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha)$  of codimension  $\leq 1$ . Given two  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -independent roots  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  we set

$$M_{\alpha}^{\beta} := \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \mid [x, \mathfrak{g}_{-\alpha}] \subset H_{\beta}\},$$

and define

$$M^{(\alpha)} := K(\mathfrak{g}, \alpha) \oplus \sum_{\gamma \notin \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} M_{\gamma}^{\alpha},$$

$$\tilde{M}^{(\alpha)} := H + M^{(\alpha)}.$$

Again  $\tilde{M}^{(\alpha)}$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , and  $M^{(\alpha)}$  is an ideal of codimension  $\leq 1$  in  $\tilde{M}^{(\alpha)}$ . We suppress  $\mathfrak{g}$  in the above notation when this causes no confusion.

According to [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] the subalgebra  $K'(L, \alpha)$  acts triangulably on  $L$ .

We remind the reader of the following well-known facts, which often will be used in the sequel. Jacobson's formula on  $p$ th powers states that  $(x + y)^p = x^p + y^p + \sum s_i(x, y)$ , where  $s_i(x, y)$  is a linear combination of  $p$ -fold products with  $i$  factors of  $x$  and  $p - i$  factors of  $y$  (see for, instance, [St-F, p. 64]).

Let  $L = \sum L_\alpha$  be the root space decomposition with respect to a Cartan subalgebra. Then Schue's lemma states that  $L = \sum_{\alpha \neq 0} L_\alpha + \sum_{\alpha \neq 0} [L_\alpha, L_{-\alpha}]$  (see [B-W 88, Lemma 1.12.1]).

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Each maximal torus  $T \subset L_p$  is 2-dimensional and standard. The  $p$ -envelope  $H_p$  of  $H = C_L(T)$  in  $L_p$  contains  $T$ . For any  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  one has  $\tilde{M}^{(\alpha)} \neq L$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T$  be a maximal torus in  $L_p$ . Suppose  $\dim T = 1$ . Then  $T$  is spanned by a toral element hence defining an  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -grading of  $L$ . The centralizer  $H = C_L(T)$  is the zero component of this grading. If  $C_L(T)$  acts nilpotently on  $L$ , then  $L$  is solvable (this follows from the Engel–Jacobson theorem, see, e.g., [St 97, Proposition 1.14]). Observe that  $H$  is nilpotent (for  $T$  is a maximal torus in  $L_p$ ). Since  $L$  is nonsolvable, we therefore have that the (unique) maximal torus  $T'$  of  $H_p$  is nonzero. The maximality of  $T$  ensures  $T' \subset T$ . Then  $T' = T$ ; hence  $H$  is a Cartan subalgebra with  $TR(H, L) = \dim T = 1$ . Applying [P 94, Theorem 2] we now obtain that  $L$  is either  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ ,  $W(1; \underline{n})$ , or  $H(2; \underline{n}; \Phi)^{(2)}$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$ ,  $L$  is one of the algebras listed in part (iii) of Theorem 1.1 (see [B-W 88, Sect. 2]). As  $L$  is a counterexample to that theorem, we deduce  $\dim T = 2$ .

If  $L_p$  contains a nonstandard maximal torus then  $L \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  ([P 94, Theorem 1]). Since this case has been excluded, all maximal tori in  $L$  are standard. Let  $T'$  be the unique maximal torus of  $H_p$ . Then  $T' \subset T$  and  $H \subset C_L(T')$ . Suppose  $T' \neq T$ . If  $C_L(T') = H$ , then  $H$  is a Cartan subalgebra with  $TR(H, L) = 1$ , and as before  $L$  is one of the algebras listed in part (iii) of Theorem 1.1. Thus  $C_L(T') \not\supseteq H$  so that there is  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  such that  $\alpha(H_p) = 0$  (we view any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  as a function on  $H_p$  via  $\gamma(h)^{p'} = \gamma(h^{[p]})$  for all  $h \in H$ ). But then [P-St 99, Remark 4.1] shows that  $L$  is listed in part (iii) of Theorem 1.1.

Finally, if  $L = \tilde{M}^{(\alpha)}$  for some  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , then  $\sum_{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} [L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \subset H_\alpha$ . As  $L$  is simple, Schue's lemma [B-W 88] yields  $\alpha(H) = 0$ . But then  $\alpha(H_p) = 0$  contrary to the previous step. So  $\tilde{M}^{(\alpha)} \neq L$  for any  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , and the proof of the lemma is complete. ■

**LEMMA 2.2.** *Let  $T$  be a maximal torus in  $L_p$ . If  $\alpha \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is such that  $C(L(\alpha)) \subset T$  and  $L(\alpha)/C(L(\alpha)) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , then  $L(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \oplus C(L(\alpha))$  is a split extension.*

*Proof.* The process of toral switching (based on the ideas of [Win 69, Wil 83, P 87]) has been described in [P-St 99]. Switching  $T$  by a suitable root vector in  $\bigcup_{i \neq 0} L_{i\alpha}$  we can obtain a torus  $T' \subset L_p(\alpha)$  such that the preimage of  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  in  $L(\alpha)$  is  $T'$ -invariant. Clearly,  $\dim T' = \dim T = 2$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $T'$  is a standard maximal torus in  $L_p$ . As  $\alpha(C(L(\alpha))) = 0$  we have  $C(L(\alpha)) \subset T'$ . Thus no generality is lost by assuming that  $T = T'$ .

If  $C(L(\alpha)) = (0)$  there is nothing to prove. So assume  $C(L(\alpha)) \neq (0)$ . As  $\alpha(C(L(\alpha))) = 0$  and  $\dim T = 2$  the center  $C(L(\alpha))$  is spanned by a toral element, say  $z$ . Suppose  $L(\alpha)$  is a nonsplit extension of  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . Then there exist root vectors  $E_{-1}, E_0, E_1, \dots, E_{p-2}$  relative to  $T$  such that  $K(\alpha) = Fz + \sum_{i \geq 2} FE_i$  and  $[E_2, E_{p-2}] \in F^*z$  (see [P-St 99, Section 7]). But then  $K'(\alpha)^{(1)}$  contains  $z$ , hence acts nontriangulably on  $L$ . As  $L \not\cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ , this contradicts [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6]. This contradiction shows that  $L(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \oplus C(L(\alpha))$  is a split extension. ■

For a maximal torus  $T \subset L_p$  and a root  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$  we set  $L[\gamma] := L(\gamma)/\text{rad } L(\gamma)$ . By [P-St 99, Sect. 1], one of the following can occur:

$$\begin{aligned} L[\gamma] &= (0); \\ L[\gamma] &\cong \mathfrak{sl}(2); \\ L[\gamma] &\cong W(1; \underline{1}); \end{aligned}$$

$$H(2; 1)^{(2)} \subset L[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1}).$$

Accordingly, we call  $\gamma$  *solvable*, *classical*, *Witt*, or *Hamiltonian*. In all cases, the Lie algebra  $L[\gamma]$  is restrictable and the radical of  $L(\gamma)$  is  $T$ -invariant (see [P-St 99, Sect. 1]). Thus  $T$  acts on  $L[\gamma]$  as derivations. We often consider  $W(1; \underline{1})$  and  $H(2; \underline{1})$  with their *standard* gradings characterized by the property that  $\deg \partial = -1$  and  $\deg \partial_1 = \deg \partial_2 = -1$  (in the respective cases). The subalgebras  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  and  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  spanned by the elements of nonnegative degree are known to be maximal and therefore called *standard maximal* subalgebras. If  $\gamma$  is Witt (resp., Hamiltonian) we inject  $L[\gamma]$  onto  $W(1; \underline{1})$  (resp., into  $H(2; \underline{1})$ ) and define  $L[\gamma]_{(0)} := W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  (resp.,  $L[\gamma]_{(0)} := L[\gamma] \cap H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ ). This subalgebra is known to be independent on the choice of the injection (see [P-St 99, Sect. 1], for example). If  $\gamma$  is Witt then  $L[\gamma]_{(0)}$  is solvable and has codimension 1 in  $L[\gamma]$ . If  $\gamma$  is Hamiltonian then  $L[\gamma]_{(0)}$  has codimension 2 in  $L[\gamma]$  and  $L[\gamma]_{(0)}/\text{rad } L[\gamma]_{(0)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . We call the subalgebra  $L[\gamma]_{(0)}$  the *standard maximal* subalgebra of  $L[\gamma]$ . We say that  $\gamma$  is a *proper* root if  $\gamma$  is either solvable or classical, or the standard maximal subalgebra  $L[\gamma]_{(0)}$  in the Cartan type Lie algebra  $L[\gamma]$  is  $T$ -invariant.

If  $\gamma$  is not a proper root we say that  $\gamma$  is *improper*. Note that if  $\gamma$  is improper, then all scalar multiples  $a\gamma$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , are roots. We

denote by  $\Gamma_p = \Gamma_p(L, T)$  the subset of all proper roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$ , and we say that  $T$  is an *optimal* torus if the number

$$r(T) := |\Gamma(L, T) \setminus \Gamma_p(L, T)|$$

is the minimal possible. Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma(L, T)$ . Applying toral switchings inside  $L_p(\alpha)$  one can construct a 2-dimensional torus  $T'$  such that  $L(\alpha) = L(\alpha')$  for some  $\alpha' \in \Gamma_p(L, T')$ . In particular, this implies that any optimal torus in  $L_p$  has at least one proper root.

The definition of a *rigid torus* was given in [P-St 97, Sect. 8] in terms of *rigid roots* (see [P-St 97, Sect. 7]). According to Lemma 2.1 all maximal tori in  $L_p$  are 2-dimensional and standard. Therefore, [P-St 97, Theorem 6.3] implies that a 2-dimensional torus  $T \subset L_p$  is nonrigid if and only if there is a  $T$ -eigenvector  $x \in L$  such that  $(\text{ad } x)^2 = 0$ . Combining [P-St 97, Lemma 8.1] (and its correction in [P-St 99, Sect. 1]) with [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] one obtains that for any rigid torus  $T \subset L_p$  no root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  is Hamiltonian and all Witt roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are improper.

**LEMMA 2.3.** *Let  $T$  be a 2-dimensional rigid torus in  $L_p$ . Then either all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are improper Witt or  $\Gamma(L, T)$  contains a solvable root  $\alpha$  and the complement  $\Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  consists of improper Witt roots.*

*Proof.* Since all Witt roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are improper we may assume that there is a root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  which is not Witt. By [P-St 97, Lemma 8.1(3)], in this case  $\dim L_\gamma = 1$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ . In particular, no root is Hamiltonian. Since  $L_p$  is centerless this also implies that  $C_{L_p}(T)$  contains no  $p$ -nilpotent elements. Therefore every element in  $C_{L_p}(T)$  is semisimple. Since  $T$  is a maximal torus in  $L_p$ ,  $C_{L_p}(T)$  is nilpotent. Then  $T$  is the set of all semisimple elements of  $C_{L_p}(T)$ . Consequently,  $C_{L_p}(T) = T$  and  $L_p = L + C_{L_p}(T) = L + T$ . Lemma 2.1 gives  $H_p = T$ .

(a) Suppose there is  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  such that  $\text{rad } L(\alpha) \not\subset T$ . As  $\dim L_\gamma = 1$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\alpha$  is not Witt. Define

$$I^\alpha = I := \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} (\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{i\alpha} + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} [(\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{i\alpha}, (\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{-i\alpha}].$$

If  $\alpha$  is solvable, then  $(\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{i\alpha} = L_{i\alpha}$ ; hence  $I$  is an ideal of  $L_p(\alpha)$ . Suppose  $\alpha$  is classical. If  $(\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{j\alpha} \neq 0$  for some  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , then  $L_{\pm j\alpha} \subset \text{rad } L(\alpha)$  (since all root spaces are 1-dimensional); hence  $[L_{j\alpha}, L_{-j\alpha}] \subset I$ . So again  $I$  is an ideal of  $L_p(\alpha)$ .

As  $\alpha$  is neither Witt nor Hamiltonian,  $I$  is an ideal of  $L_p(\alpha)$  in all cases. By construction,  $I \subset K'(\alpha)$ . So [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] shows that  $I$  acts triangulably on  $L$ . Let  $n$  be the minimal integer with  $I^{(n)} \subset T$ . Suppose  $n > 1$ . Then  $I^{(n-1)} \subset K'(\alpha)^{(1)}$ , hence acts nilpotently on  $L$ .

Clearly,  $I^{(n-1)}$  is  $T$ -stable. Let  $a \in I^{(n-1)}$  be a root vector. Then  $(\text{ad } a)^2(L(\alpha)) \subset I^{(n)} \subset T \cap H_\alpha$ . Observe that  $(\text{ad } a)^p \in C_p(T) = T$ . As  $\text{ad } a$  is nilpotent we therefore have  $(\text{ad } a)^p = 0$ . But then [P-St 97, Theorem 6.3] applies and shows that  $L$  contains nonzero  $T$ -homogeneous sandwiches. As  $T$  is rigid this is impossible and we deduce  $n \leq 1$ . As  $I$  is triangulable, the derived subalgebra  $I^{(1)} \subset T$  must be zero. Thus  $I$  is abelian; that is,

$$I = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} (\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{i\alpha}.$$

In particular,  $I \cap H = (0)$ . Then we have

$$[I \cap L_{i\alpha}, L_{-i\alpha}] = (0) \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*.$$

Again applying [P-St 97, Theorem 6.3] we deduce that  $(\text{ad } b)^p \neq 0$  for any (nonzero) root vector  $b \in I$ . Since  $\alpha(b^{[p]}) = 0$  and  $\dim T = 2$  we have that  $\gamma(b^{[p]}) \neq 0$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ . As a consequence,

$$(\text{ad } b)^i(L_\gamma) = L_{\gamma+ik\alpha} \quad \forall b \in L_{k\alpha} \setminus \{0\}, k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*, \forall \gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha.$$

(b) Under the assumption of (a) suppose that  $\alpha$  is classical. Pick  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  and set  $M(\gamma, \alpha) := \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\gamma+i\alpha}$ . Then  $M(\gamma, \alpha)$  is a  $L_p(\alpha)$ -module of dimension  $\leq p$ . By (a) we have that  $\gamma + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha \subset \Gamma$ . From this it follows that  $C_L(T) = T$  acts faithfully on  $M(\gamma, \alpha)$ . Let  $J$  denote the kernel of the  $p$ -natural representation of  $L_p(\alpha) = L(\alpha) + T$  in  $\mathfrak{gl}(M(\gamma, \alpha))$ . Now  $J$  is  $T$ -invariant,  $T \cap J = (0)$  (by the preceding remark),  $I \cap J_{i\alpha} = (0)$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  (by (a)), and  $L(\alpha)/I \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . This implies that  $M(\gamma, \alpha)$  is an irreducible and faithful  $L_p(\alpha)$ -module. Thus  $L_p(\alpha)$  has an irreducible faithful representation of dimension  $< p^2$ ,  $T$  is an abelian Cartan subalgebra of toral rank 1 in  $L_p(\alpha)$ , and  $L_p(\alpha)$  contains an abelian ideal  $I$  such that  $I \not\subset C(L(\alpha))$ . In this situation [St 90] applies and yields  $\dim I = p$ . However,  $\dim I = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} \dim(\text{rad } L(\alpha))_{i\alpha} \leq p - 1$ . This contradiction shows that  $\alpha$  is solvable (recall that  $\alpha$  is neither Hamiltonian nor Witt).

(c) As  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , (b) says  $(0) \neq L_\alpha \subset I$ . Let  $x \in L_\alpha \setminus \{0\}$ . As  $(\text{ad } x)^i(L_\gamma) = L_{\gamma+i\alpha}$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  (by (a)), we have for any (fixed)  $\beta \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ ,

$$[L_{\beta+i\alpha}, L_{-\beta-i\alpha}] \subset [I \cap L_\alpha, L_{-\alpha}] + [L_\beta, L_{-\beta}] = [L_\beta, L_{-\beta}].$$

Combining this inclusion with Schue's lemma we obtain that

$$H = \sum_{\gamma \notin \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} [L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \subset \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} [L_{j\beta}, L_{-j\beta}].$$



Now suppose  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  contains a solvable root,  $\nu$  say. Setting  $\beta = \nu$  we deduce  $\nu(H) = 0$ , contrary to Lemma 2.1. Thus no root in  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  is solvable.

(d) Under the assumption of (a) suppose that  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  contains a classical root,  $\delta$  say. By (a), if  $i\delta + j\alpha \in \Gamma$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p$ , then  $i\delta \in \Gamma$ . We also have (substituting  $\alpha$  by  $\delta$  in (b)) that  $\text{rad } L(\delta) \subset T$ . Then  $\mathbb{F}_p \delta \cap \Gamma = \{\pm \delta\}$ . From this it is immediate that  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha = \{\delta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha\} \cup \{-\delta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha\}$ . Set  $L(0) := L(\alpha)$ ,  $L(-1) := M(-\delta, \alpha)$  and  $L(1) := M(\delta, \alpha)$ . Then  $L = L(-1) \oplus L(0) \oplus L(1)$ ,  $[L(\pm 1), L(\pm 1)] = (0)$  and  $[L(-1), L(1)] \subset L(0)$ . In other words,  $L$  admits a nontrivial short  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading. As  $p > 3$ , this yields that  $L$  is a classical Lie algebra (see, e.g., [P 85, Lemma 14]). As  $TR(L) = 2$ ,  $L$  is then listed in part (i) of Theorem 1.1. Since this contradicts our choice of  $L$ , we derive that all roots in  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  are Witt. This proves the claim under the additional assumption of (a).

(e) Thus from now on we may assume that  $\text{rad } L(\gamma) \subset T$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then every root is classical or Witt. We first suppose that all roots in  $\Gamma$  are classical. If all root strings  $\kappa, \kappa + \eta, \dots, \kappa + (p - 1)\eta$ , where  $\kappa, \eta \in \Gamma$ , have gaps, then the Mills–Seligman theorem shows that  $L$  is classical. But then  $L$  is listed in part (i) of Theorem 1.1. Thus there are  $\beta', \beta'' \in \Gamma$  such that  $\beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \beta' \subset \Gamma$ . Since all roots in  $\Gamma$  are classical,  $\beta'$  and  $\beta''$  are  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -independent, and  $\pm \beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \beta' \subset \Gamma$ . If  $i_0 \beta'' + j_0 \beta' \in \Gamma$  for some  $i_0 \notin \{0, \pm 1\}$  and  $i_0, j_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p$ , then  $\pm(\beta'' + \frac{j_0}{i_0} \beta')$ ,  $i_0(\beta'' + \frac{j_0}{i_0} \beta') \in \Gamma$  which implies that  $\beta'' + \frac{j_0}{i_0} \beta'$  is Witt. Since this contradicts our assumption, we obtain that

$$\Gamma = (\pm \beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \beta') \cup \{\pm \beta'\}.$$

As in (d), set  $L(0) := L(\beta')$ ,  $L(-1) := M(-\beta'', \beta')$  and  $L(1) := M(\beta'', \beta')$ . Then  $L = L(-1) \oplus L(0) \oplus L(1)$ ,  $[L(\pm 1), L(\pm 1)] = (0)$  and  $[L(-1), L(1)] \subset L(0)$ . In other words,  $L$  admits a nontrivial short  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading. Arguing as in (d) we arrive at a contradiction. This contradiction shows that  $\Gamma$  contains a Witt root,  $\beta$ , say.

Suppose there is  $\kappa \in \Gamma$  such that  $\kappa([L_\beta, L_{-\beta}]) \neq 0$ . By Lemma 2.2,  $L(\beta)^{(1)} \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . Consider the  $L(\beta)^{(1)}$ -module  $M(\kappa, \beta)$ . As  $L_\kappa \subset M(\kappa, \beta)$ , the latter is a nontrivial  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -module of dimension  $\leq p$ . By Chang’s theorem [Cha], this module is either irreducible of dimension  $p$  or one of its composition factors is isomorphic to  $A(1; \underline{1})/F$ . It follows that  $M(\kappa, \beta)$  has at least  $p - 1$   $T$ -weights. More precisely, the following implication is true for  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa \in \Gamma, \kappa([L_\beta, L_{-\beta}]) \neq 0, \\ (\kappa + k\beta)([L_\beta, L_{-\beta}]) \neq 0 \implies \kappa + k\beta \in \Gamma(L, T). \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

(f) Suppose all Witt roots in  $\Gamma$  are contained in  $\mathbb{F}_p \beta$ . By Schue's lemma there is  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \beta$  such that  $\beta([L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}]) \neq 0$ . Then  $\gamma$  is classical. Let  $(e, h, f)$  be an  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -triple in  $L$  such that  $e \in L_\gamma$  and  $f \in L_{-\gamma}$ , so that  $\gamma(h) = 2$ . Note that  $[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}]$  is 1-dimensional; hence  $\beta(h) \neq 0$ . Consider the  $L(\gamma)^{(1)}$ -modules  $M(i\beta, \gamma)$ , where  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . As  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \beta \subset \Gamma$ ,  $i\beta(h)$  is a weight of  $M(i\beta, \gamma)$ . If  $\beta(h) \in \mathbb{F}_p$ , representation theory of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  shows that  $-i\beta(h)$  also is a weight of  $M(i\beta, \gamma)$ . As  $\gamma(h) = 2$ , this implies that  $i\beta - i\beta(h)\gamma \in \Gamma$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . If  $\beta(h) \notin \mathbb{F}_p$ , representation theory of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  ensures that all  $i\beta(h) + k$  with  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p$  are weights of  $M(i\beta, \gamma)$ . Then  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \beta + \mathbb{F}_p \gamma \subset \Gamma$ . So in either case  $\beta - \beta(h)\gamma \in \Gamma$  is a Witt root contrary to our assumption. Thus  $\Gamma$  contains two  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -independent Witt roots.

Let  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  be arbitrary  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -independent Witt roots. Rescaling  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  if necessary we may assume that

$$[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \neq 0, [L_\delta, L_{-\delta}] \neq 0.$$

Since Witt sections split (Lemma 2.2) the subspaces  $[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}]$  and  $[L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]$  are 1-dimensional. Then  $\gamma([L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}]) \neq 0$  and  $\delta([L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]) \neq 0$ .

By our initial assumption,  $\Gamma$  contains a classical root. So let  $\mu \in \Gamma$  be classical.

(g) Suppose  $\gamma([L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]) \neq 0$ . Consider the  $L(\delta)^{(1)}$ -modules  $M(i\gamma, \delta)$ , where  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  (these are all nontrivial by the present assumption). Let  $h_\delta \in [L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]$  be such that  $\delta(h_\delta) = -1$ , and let  $r := \gamma(h_\delta)$ . If  $r \notin \mathbb{F}_p$  then it follows from implication (1) (with  $\kappa = i\gamma$  and  $\beta = \delta$ ) that  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \gamma + \mathbb{F}_p \delta \subset \Gamma$ . This, however, is impossible as  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \not\subset \Gamma$ . Thus  $r \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and the previous remark shows that  $(\mathbb{F}_p^* \gamma + \mathbb{F}_p \delta) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p(\gamma + r\delta) \subset \Gamma$ . Since  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \not\subset \Gamma$  we obtain that  $\mathbb{F}_p \mu = \mathbb{F}_p(\gamma + r\delta)$  and all roots in  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \mu$  are Witt. By Schue's lemma,  $H = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_p \mu} [L_\lambda, L_{-\lambda}]$ . So there is a Witt root  $\delta'$  such that  $\mu([L_{\delta'}, L_{-\delta'}]) \neq 0$ . By an earlier observation,  $L_{i\mu + j\delta'} \neq (0)$  provided  $j \neq 0$ . For every  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  there is  $k(i) \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $(i\mu + k(i)\delta')([L_{\delta'}, L_{-\delta'}]) \neq 0$ . Again applying (1) (with  $\kappa = i\mu + k(i)\delta'$  and  $\beta = \delta'$ ) we obtain  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \subset \Gamma$  which is false. So  $\gamma([L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]) = 0$ . Since  $\mu$  is classical and  $\gamma, \delta$  are  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -independent,  $\mu = m\gamma + n\delta$  for some  $m, n \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . As a consequence,  $\mu([L_\delta, L_{-\delta}]) \neq 0$ . Using (1) we conclude  $m\gamma + \mathbb{F}_p^* \delta \subset \Gamma$ .

By symmetry we also have that  $\delta([L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}]) = 0$ . Setting in (1)  $\kappa = m\gamma + i\delta$  with  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $\beta = \gamma$  we deduce  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \gamma + \mathbb{F}_p^* \delta \subset \Gamma$  and arrive at a contradiction as before. ■

The main result of this section is the following.

PROPOSITION 2.4.  $L_p$  contains a 2-dimensional, standard, nonrigid optimal torus.

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.1, all maximal tori in  $L_p$  are 2-dimensional and standard. Let  $T$  be a maximal torus in  $L_p$  which is optimal. If  $T$  is nonrigid there is nothing to prove. So suppose  $T$  is rigid. We mentioned before that, since  $T$  is optimal, at least one root in  $\Gamma$  is proper. Applying Lemma 2.3 yields that  $\Gamma$  contains a solvable root  $\mu$  and each root in  $\Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \mu$  is improper Witt. Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma(L, T)$  be a Witt root. There exists a 2-dimensional torus  $T' \subset L_p(\alpha)$  such that  $L(\alpha) = L(\alpha')$  for some  $\alpha' \in \Gamma(L, T')$  and  $\text{rad } L(\alpha)$ ,  $L[\alpha]$  and  $L[\alpha]_{(0)}$  are all  $T'$ -stable (see [B-W 88, (1.9)]). Thus  $\alpha' \in \Gamma(L, T')$  is a proper Witt root. Also  $|\Gamma(L, T)| = |\Gamma(L, T')|$  by [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11] and  $|\Gamma_p(L, T)| = |\Gamma(L, T) \cap \mathbb{F}_p \mu| \leq (p-1) = |\Gamma(L, T') \cap \mathbb{F}_p \alpha'| \leq |\Gamma_p(L, T')|$ . Thus  $T'$  is optimal. By Lemma 2.3 it is nonrigid. ■

LEMMA 2.5. *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra satisfying one of the following conditions:*

1.  $\mathfrak{g}$  is classical simple or  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{gl}(n)/F$ , where  $p \mid n$ ;
2.  $X(m; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset CX(m; \underline{n}; \Psi)$ , where  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$ ;
3.  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$ , a Melikian algebra.

If  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  then one of the following holds in the respective cases:

1.  $\mathfrak{g}$  is classical of type  $A_2$ ,  $C_2$ , or  $G_2$ ;
2.  $\mathfrak{g}$  is according to the choice of  $(X, m)$  one of

$$W(2; \underline{1}), W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta), K(3; \underline{1});$$

$$X(m; \underline{1})^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset X(m; \underline{1}), \text{ where } (X, m) \in \{(S, 3), (H, 4)\};$$

$$H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset CH(2; \underline{1});$$

$$H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset H(2; (2, 1))$$

$$H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau));$$

3.  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ .

*Proof.* (1) Suppose  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{gl}(n)/F$ , where  $p \mid n$ . Then  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) \geq n - 1 \geq p - 1$ , a contradiction.

By [P 87], a self-centralizing torus in a finite-dimensional, centerless restricted Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  has dimension equal to  $TR(\mathcal{L})$ . For  $p > 3$ , any classical simple Lie algebra contains a self-centralizing torus whose dimension is equal to the rank of the corresponding irreducible root system. Our preceding remark now implies that the only classical, simple Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g}$  with  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  are those listed in the lemma.

(2) Suppose  $\mathfrak{g} \cong W(m; \underline{n})$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}$  contains a subalgebra isomorphic to  $W(m; \underline{1})$  which has absolute toral rank  $m$  (by [Dem 70]). Hence  $m \leq 2$ . If  $m = 1$  then  $n = 2$  by [B-W 88, (2.2.3)]. Note that  $W(2; \underline{n})$  contains a subalgebra isomorphic to the direct sum  $W(1; \underline{n}_1) \oplus W(1; \underline{n}_2)$ . Hence  $2 = TR(\mathfrak{g}) \geq n_1 + n_2$ . Thus  $m = 2$  forces  $\underline{n} = (1, 1)$ .

(3) Suppose  $S(m; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset CS(m; \underline{n}; \Psi)$  (in the  $S$  case we must have  $m \geq 3$ ). By [Wil 76], the compatibility condition

$$S(m; \underline{n})^{(1)} \subset \text{gr } \mathfrak{g} \subset CS(m; \underline{n})$$

holds for the graded Lie algebra associated with the standard filtration on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . By [Sk 98],  $TR(\text{gr } \mathfrak{g}) \leq TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$ . Now  $S(m; \underline{n})^{(1)}$  contains a subalgebra isomorphic to the direct sum  $W(1; \underline{n}_i) \oplus W(1; \underline{n}_j)$ , where  $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$ . In view of the above discussion this implies  $n_i = 1$  for all  $i$ . It is immediate from [Dem 70] that  $TR(S(m; \underline{1})^{(1)}) = m - 1$ . So  $m = 3$  necessarily holds. According to [B-W 88, Lemma 9.2.1],  $TR(S(3; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(1)}) \geq 3$  unless  $S(3; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(1)} \cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Thus we may assume  $\Psi = \text{Id}$ . As  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  we also have that  $\mathfrak{g}/S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent. Then  $S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset S(3; \underline{1})$  (by [St-F, Theorem 8.6]).

(4) Suppose  $H(2r; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset CH(2r; \underline{n}; \Psi)$ . Applying [Wil 76] as in (3) one deduces  $TR(H(2r; \underline{n})^{(2)}) \leq 2$ . As  $TR(H(2r; \underline{n})^{(2)}) \geq r$  (by [St-F, (4.4.6)]) we get  $r \leq 2$ . Suppose  $r = 1$ . Then [B-W 88, (2.2.5)] implies that  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is one of  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ ,  $H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta)$ . Moreover, in the latter three cases we must have  $\mathfrak{g}/H(2; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(2)}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent whence  $\mathfrak{g} \subset H(2; \underline{1}; \Psi)$ . Suppose  $r = 2$ . Then  $H(2r; \underline{n})^{(2)}$  contains a subalgebra isomorphic to the direct sum  $H(2; (n_1, n_3))^{(2)} \oplus H(2; (n_2, n_4))^{(2)}$ . [B-W 88, (2.2.4)] yields  $n_i = 1$  for all  $i$ . By [B-W 88, Corollary 9.2.3],  $TR(H(4; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(2)}) \geq 3$  unless  $H(4; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(2)} \cong H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Thus we may assume  $\Psi = \text{Id}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{g}/H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent, [St-F, Theorem 8.7] implies  $\mathfrak{g} \subset H(4; \underline{1})$ .

(5) Suppose  $K(2r + 1; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset K(2r + 1; \underline{n}; \Psi)$ . As before we apply [Wil 76] to deduce  $TR(K(2r + 1; \underline{n})^{(1)}) \leq 2$ . Then [St-F, (4.5.7)] shows that  $r = 1$ . Now  $K(3; \underline{n})^{(1)}$  contains a subalgebra  $\sum_{i < p^{n_1}, j < p^{n_2}} FD_K(x_1^{(i)} x_2^{(j)}) + FD_K(x_3)$  isomorphic modulo its center  $FD_K(1)$  to  $CH(2; (n_1, n_2))$ . This gives  $n_1 = n_2 = 1$ . Also,  $\sum_{i < p^{n_3}} FD_K(x_3^{(i)})$  is a subalgebra of  $K(3; \underline{1})$  centralized by  $D_K(x_1 x_2)$  and isomorphic to  $W(1; \underline{n}_3)$ . As  $D_K(x_1 x_2)$  is ad-semisimple this subalgebra must have absolute toral rank 1. So  $n_3 = 1$  as well. By the compatibility condition,

$$K(3; \underline{1}) = K(3; \underline{1})^{(\infty)} \subset \text{gr}(K(3; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(1)}) \subset K(3; \underline{1}).$$

Hence  $\text{gr } K(3; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(1)} = K(3; \underline{1})$ . Now [Ku 90] yields  $K(3; \underline{1}; \Psi)^{(1)} \cong K(3; \underline{1})$ .

(6) Finally, suppose  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$ . By definition,  $\mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$  contains a subalgebra isomorphic to  $W(2; (n_1, n_2))$ . By part (2),  $n_1 = n_2 = 1$ . ■

## 3. CENTROIDS

As a consequence of Lemma 2.1 and Proposition 2.4, the following definition is nonvoid.

DEFINITION. A triple  $(T, \mu, L_{(0)})$  is called *admissible* if  $T \subset L_p$  is a 2-dimensional, standard, nonrigid optimal torus,  $\mu \in \Gamma(L, T)$ , and  $L_{(0)}$  is a  $T$ -invariant maximal subalgebra such that  $\tilde{M}^{(\mu)}(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ .

From now on let  $(T, \mu, L_{(0)})$  denote an admissible triple. Then  $H = C_L(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $L_{(0)}$  is  $T$ -invariant. Choose an  $L_{(0)}$ -invariant subspace  $L_{(-1)} \subset L$  that contains  $L_{(0)}$  properly and is minimal among the subspaces  $V \subset L$  such that  $V \supsetneq L_{(0)}$  and  $[L_{(0)}, V] \subset V$ . Then  $L_{(-1)}/L_{(0)}$  is an irreducible  $L_{(0)}$ -module. The *standard filtration* associated with the pair  $(L_{(0)}, L_{(-1)})$  is defined by setting

$$L_{(i+1)} := \{x \in L_{(i)} \mid [x, L_{(-1)}] \subset L_{(i)}\}, i \geq 0,$$

$$L_{(-i-1)} := [L_{(-i)}, L_{(-1)}] + L_{(-i)}, i > 0.$$

Since  $L_{(0)}$  is maximal and  $L$  is simple this filtration is exhaustive and separating. In other words, there are  $s_1, s_2 \geq 0$  such that

$$L = L_{(-s_1)} \supset \cdots \supset L_{(s_2+1)} = (0), [L_{(i)}, L_{(j)}] \subset L_{(i+j)}.$$

By Lemma 2.1, the  $p$ -envelope of  $H$  in  $L_p$  contains  $T$ . It follows that  $L_{(-1)}$  is  $T$ -stable. Easy induction on  $i$  shows that so are all subspaces  $L_{(i)}$ ,  $-s_1 \leq i \leq s_2$ .

Since  $T$  is nonrigid, the union  $H \cup (\bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} L_\gamma)$  contains a nonzero sandwich,  $c$  say. By [P-St 97, Lemma 6.1],  $c \in R(T)$  and  $[c, L] \subset R(T)$ . From this it is immediate that  $c \in L_{(1)}$ . So  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are both positive.

In this section, we begin our investigation of the associated graded algebra

$$G = \bigoplus_{i=-s_1}^{s_2} G_i, G_i := \text{gr}_i L.$$

By construction,  $G$  has the following properties:

- (g1)  $G_{-1}$  is an irreducible and faithful  $G_0$ -module,
- (g2)  $G_{-i} = [G_{-1}, G_{-i+1}]$  for all  $i \geq 1$ ,
- (g3) if  $x \in G_i$ ,  $i \geq 0$ , and  $[x, G_{-1}] = (0)$ , then  $x = 0$ .

Let  $M(G)$  denote the sum of all ideals of  $G$  contained in  $\sum_{j \leq -2} G_j$ . By Weisfeiler [We 78],  $M(G)$  is a graded ideal of  $G$  and the graded Lie algebra

$$\bar{G} := G/M(G) = \bigoplus_{i=-s_1}^{s_2} \bar{G}_i, \bar{G}_i := G_i/G_i \cap M(G)$$

contains a unique minimal ideal  $A = A(\overline{G})$ . Moreover,  $A$  is a graded ideal of  $\overline{G}$ ; i.e.,  $A = \bigoplus_i A_i$ , where  $A_i = A \cap \overline{G}_i$  for all  $i$ , and  $A_i = \overline{G}_i$  for all  $i < 0$ . The grading of  $\overline{G}$  is said to be *nondegenerate* (in Weisfeiler's sense) if  $A_i \neq (0)$ .

Since  $K_{i\mu} \subset L_{(0)}$ , we obtain that  $\dim L_{i\mu}/L_{(0),i\mu} \leq 3 < p$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Then [P-St 99, Theorem 4.4] applies showing that either  $G_2 \neq (0)$  or  $[[G_{-1}, G_1], G_1] \neq (0)$ . Since  $G$  satisfies (g3),  $\overline{G}_{-1} \subset A$ , and  $([[G_{-1}, G_1], G_1] + [G_{-1}, G_2]) \cap M(G) \subset G_1 \cap M(G) = (0)$ , the grading of  $\overline{G}$  is nondegenerate in Weisfeiler's sense. By Weisfeiler's theorem [We 78], there are  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  and a simple graded Lie algebra  $S = \bigoplus_i S_i$  such that

$$A(\overline{G}) \cong S \otimes A(d; \underline{1}), \quad A_i \cong S_i \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) \text{ for all } i.$$

The commutative algebra

$$\text{End}_{A(\overline{G})} A(\overline{G}) \cong A(d; \underline{1}) \cong F[X_1, \dots, X_d]/(X_1^p, \dots, X_d^p)$$

is called the *centroid* of  $A(\overline{G})$ .

Since  $\tilde{R}(T) \subset \tilde{M}^{(\mu)}$ , the preceding remarks apply to any admissible subalgebra of  $L$ . Moreover, it follows from Lemma 2.1 that any admissible subalgebra  $L_{(0)}$  of  $L$  satisfies the conditions (4.1)–(4.3) of [P-St 99, Sect. 4]. Choose  $L_{(-1)}$  as above and let  $G, \overline{G}, A(\overline{G})$ , and  $S$  be the graded Lie algebras attached to the pair  $(L_{(0)}, L_{(-1)})$ . By [P-St 99, Lemma 4.5(1)],  $A(\overline{G}) \cong S \otimes A(d; \underline{1})$ , where  $0 \leq d \leq 2$ . (Notice that  $S$  and  $d$  are denoted in [P-St 99] by  $\tilde{S}$  and  $\tilde{r}$ , respectively).

Let  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $L_{(0)}$  in  $L_p$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  preserves all components  $L_{(i)}$  of our filtration and therefore acts on  $G = \text{gr } L$  as derivations. The grading of  $G$  gives  $\text{Der } G$  a natural graded Lie algebra structure:  $\text{Der } G = \bigoplus_i \text{Der}_i G$ , where  $\text{Der}_i G := \{D \in \text{Der } G \mid D(G_j) \subset G_{i+j} \forall j\}$ . Obviously, there is a homomorphism of restricted Lie algebras  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 G$ . Using Jacobson's identity and the definition of the Lie product in  $G$  it is not hard to see that the image of  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  in  $\text{Der}_0 G$  coincides with the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in the latter. As a consequence,  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  preserves  $M(G)$ , hence acts on the quotient algebra  $\overline{G}$ . Furthermore, the image of  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  in  $\text{Der}_0 \overline{G}$  coincides with the  $p$ -envelope of  $\overline{G}_0$  in  $\text{Der}_0 \overline{G}$ . From this it is immediate that  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  preserves  $A(\overline{G})$ . Thus we have a natural homomorphism of restricted Lie algebras

$$\Phi: \mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 A(\overline{G}) \cong (\text{Der}_0 S) \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) + F \text{Id} \otimes W(d; \underline{1}).$$

Suppose the centroid of  $A(\overline{G})$  is nontrivial; i.e.,  $d > 0$ . Then the following are true (see [P-St 99, Proposition 4.8(1), (3), (4) and Lemma 4.9]).

- (i)  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  and  $S_0 \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ ;
- (ii)  $G_{-3} = (0)$  and  $\overline{G}_{-2} = (0)$  (i.e.,  $M(G) = G_{-2}$ );

- (iii)  $G_{-2} = G_{-2}(\alpha)$  for any  $\alpha \in \Gamma(G, T)$  with  $\alpha(C_{A_0}(T)) = 0$ ;
- (iv) if  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  then  $G_{-2} = (0)$ .

By [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4],  $\text{Der}_0 S = S_0 \oplus F\delta$ , where  $\delta$  is the degree derivation of the graded Lie algebra  $S = \bigoplus_i S_i$ . By [P-St 99, Remark 4.2],  $\Phi$  can be adjusted in such a way that

$$\Phi(T) = F(h_0 \otimes 1) + F(\kappa\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id}_{A(\bar{G})} \otimes t_0),$$

where  $h_0$  is a nonzero toral element of  $S_0$ ,  $\kappa \in \mathbb{F}_p$ , and  $t_0$  is a nonzero toral element of  $W(d; \underline{1})$ . Moreover, if  $t_0 \in W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  then it can be assumed that  $t_0 = \sum_{i=1}^d a_i x_i \partial_i$  for some  $a_i \in F$ , while if  $t_0 \notin W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  then  $t_0 = (1 + x_1)\partial_1$ ,  $\kappa = 0$  and  $Fh_0 \otimes 1 = \Phi(T) \cap (S_0 \otimes F)$  (see [P-St 99, Theorem 2.3]). We identify  $T$  with  $\Phi(T)$  and choose  $\alpha, \beta \in T^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(h_0 \otimes 1) &= 1, \beta(\kappa\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes t_0) = 0, \\ \alpha(h_0 \otimes 1) &= 0, \alpha(\kappa\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes t_0) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Given a torus  $\mathfrak{t}$  and a restricted  $\mathfrak{t}$ -module  $V$  we denote by  $\Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t})$  the set of all  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weights of  $V$  (this set may contain  $0 \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ ). The weight space of  $V$  corresponding to  $\lambda \in \Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t})$  is denoted by  $V_\lambda$ . Put  $V(\lambda) := \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} V_{i\lambda}$ . The weight space  $(S_0 \otimes A(d; \underline{1}))_0$  corresponding to  $0 \in \Gamma^w(S_0 \otimes A(d; \underline{1}), Fh_0 \otimes 1)$  equals  $C_{S_0}(h_0) \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) = Fh_0 \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) = C_{A_0}(h_0 \otimes 1)$ . The definition of  $\alpha \in T^*$  now shows that  $A_0(\alpha) = Fh_0 \otimes A(d; \underline{1})$  and  $\alpha(C_{A_0}(T)) = \alpha(Fh_0 \otimes 1) = 0$ . It is mentioned in (iii) that  $G_{-2} = G_{-2}(\alpha)$ . Finally we recall from [P-St 99, Remark 4.2] that

$$\Phi(\mathcal{L}_{(0)}) \subset (S_0 + F\delta) \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) + F \text{Id} \otimes \mathcal{D},$$

where

$$\mathcal{D} = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(\mathcal{L}_{(0)})$$

is a transitive subalgebra of  $W(d; \underline{1})$ . (As in [P-St 99], given a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we denote by  $\pi_2$  the canonical homomorphism from the semidirect product  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) + F \text{Id} \otimes W(m; \underline{1})$  into  $W(m; \underline{1})$ .) Now we can state our first result on centroids.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $d =: d(L_{(0)}) \neq 0$ . Then the following are true.*

1. If  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(T) \subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  then there is  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $w \in L_{(0), i\alpha}$  such that  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w) \notin W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ .
2.  $|L_p(L, T)| \geq p^2 - p$ .
3.  $d(L_{(0)}) = 1$ .
4.  $\dim L_\gamma < 3p$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(T) \subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Then  $t_0 = \sum_{i=1}^d a_i x_i \partial_i \neq 0$  with  $a_i \in F$ . Observe that  $\mathcal{D}$  is  $T$ -stable and  $h_0 \otimes 1 \in S_0 \otimes A(d; \underline{1})$  acts trivially on  $\mathcal{D}$ . Hence  $\mathcal{D} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} \mathcal{D}_{i\alpha}$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{D}_{i\alpha} \subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Then  $[t_0, \mathcal{D}] \subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . As  $\mathcal{D}$  is a transitive subalgebra of  $W(d; \underline{1})$  this implies  $a_i = 0$  for all  $i$ , a contradiction.

(2) Assume  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(T) \subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  and let  $w$  be as in (1). Let  $m = m(w)$  be the minimal integer with  $w^{[p]^m} \in T$ . As  $F$  is infinite there is  $\lambda \in F$  such that

$$(\pi_2 \circ \Phi) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \lambda^{p^i} w^{[p]^i} \right) \notin W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}.$$

Now consider the 2-dimensional torus

$$T' := \left\{ t - \gamma(t) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \lambda^{p^i} w^{[p]^i} \right) \mid t \in T \right\} \subset \mathcal{L}_{(0)}$$

(see [P-St 99, Section 2]). By Lemma 2.1,  $T'$  is standard. By the choice of  $w$  and  $\lambda$ ,  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(T') \not\subset W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . According to remarks preceding this lemma there is a Lie algebra homomorphism

$$\Phi' : \mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow (\text{Der}_0 S) \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) + F \text{Id} \otimes W(d; \underline{1})$$

such that  $\Phi'(T') = F(h'_0 \otimes 1) \oplus F(\text{Id} \otimes t'_0)$ , where  $t'_0 = (1 + x_1)\partial_1$ . Note that  $\text{Id} \otimes t'_0$  spans  $\ker \beta' \subset T'$ . If necessary we switch  $T'$  to yet another 2-dimensional torus  $T''$ , this time performing the switching inside the restricted subalgebra  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}(\beta')$ .

The torus  $T''$  will satisfy the following conditions:

1. if  $S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  then  $h''_0 \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ ,
2.  $t''_0 = (1 + x_1)\partial_1$  and  $\kappa'' = 0$

(we dash and double dash the entities for  $T'$  and  $T''$  corresponding to the nondashed entities for  $T$ ). If  $t_0 \notin W(d; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  we set  $T' := T$ ; if  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  or  $S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  and  $h'_0 \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  there is no need for the second switching (i.e.,  $T' = T''$ ).

Given  $\gamma \in T^*$  define  $\bar{\gamma} \in (Fh_0)^*$  by setting

$$\bar{\gamma}(h_0) := \gamma(h_0 \otimes 1).$$

Let  $S_{\bar{\gamma}}$  be the eigenspace of  $\text{ad}_S h''_0$  belonging to eigenvalue  $\gamma''(h''_0 \otimes 1)$ . Since  $t''_0 = (1 + x_1)\partial_1$  and  $\kappa'' = 0$ , it is easy to check that for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$ ,

$$(S \otimes A(d; \underline{1}))(i\alpha'' + \beta'') = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} S_{j\bar{\beta}''} \otimes C_{A(d; \underline{1})}(t''_0)(1 + x_1)^{ij}.$$



The natural mapping

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} S_{j\bar{\beta}''} \otimes C_{A(d; \underline{1})}(t''_0)(1 + x_1)^{ij} \\ & \rightarrow \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} S_{j\bar{\beta}''} \otimes C_{A(d; \underline{1})}(t''_0) \\ & \cong S \otimes C_{A(d; \underline{1})}(t''_0) \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(d - 1; \underline{1}) \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism of Lie algebras. Both  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(d - 1; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  and  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}^{(2)} \otimes A(d - 1; \underline{1})$  are  $T''$ -invariant (by property (1) of  $h''_0$ ). As  $M(G) = G_{-2} = G_{-2}(\alpha'')$  we have that  $G(i\alpha'' + \beta'') \cong \bar{G}(i\alpha'' + \beta'')$ . As  $h''_0 \otimes 1 \in A(\bar{G})$  and  $(i\alpha'' + \beta'')(h''_0 \otimes 1) \neq 0$  we also have  $\bar{G}(i\alpha'' + \beta'') = A(\bar{G})(i\alpha'' + \beta'') + C_{\bar{G}}(T'')$ ; hence  $\bar{G}(i\alpha'' + \beta'')^{(\infty)} = A(\bar{G})(i\alpha'' + \beta'') \cong (S \otimes A(d; \underline{1}))(i\alpha'' + \beta'')$ . Therefore, each  $i\alpha'' + \beta''$  is a Hamiltonian proper root of  $G$ . Then [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] says that each  $i\alpha'' + \beta''$  with  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$  is a Hamiltonian proper root of  $L$ . Since  $T$  is an optimal torus in  $L_p$ , we deduce that  $T$  has at least  $p^2 - p$  proper roots.

(3) By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10], there is a bijection

$$\sigma : \Gamma(\bar{G}_{-1}, T) \rightarrow \Gamma(\bar{G}_{-1}, T''), \gamma \mapsto \sigma(\gamma) = \gamma'',$$

such that  $\dim \bar{G}_{-1, \gamma} = \dim \bar{G}_{-1, \sigma(\gamma)}$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\bar{G}_{-1}, T)$ . On the other hand, it follows from our discussion in (2) that  $\dim \bar{G}_{-1, \gamma''} = (\dim S_{-1, \bar{\gamma}''})p^{d-1}$  for any  $\gamma'' \in \Gamma(\bar{G}_{-1}, T'')$ . By earlier remarks,  $d \leq 2$ . If  $d = 2$  then  $\dim \bar{G}_{-1, \gamma} = (\dim S_{-1, \bar{\gamma}})p \leq (\dim S_{-1})p$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\bar{G}_{-1}, T)$ . Since  $R(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ ,  $p \leq \dim \bar{G}_{-1, \gamma} \leq \dim L_{\gamma}/L_{(0), \gamma} \leq \dim L_{\gamma}/R_{\gamma} \leq 2 \dim L_{\gamma}/K_{\gamma}$  (by [P-St 99, Lemma 1.4. and Theorem 8.6]). As  $p \geq 5$ ,  $\dim L_{\gamma}/K_{\gamma} \geq 3$ . Then [P-St 99, Lemma 1.1] implies that each  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G_{-1}, T)$  is improper. Since there is no more than  $p - 1$  improper roots in  $\Gamma$  we obtain that  $\dim \bar{G}_{-1} \leq (\dim S_{-1})p(p - 1)$ . On the other hand,  $\dim \bar{G}_{-1} = \dim S_{-1} \otimes A(d; \underline{1}) = (\dim S_{-1})p^2$ . This contradiction proves that  $d = 1$ .

(4) Combining [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1 and 1.4] and [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6], property (2) of  $t''_0$ , and the description of  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  given in [St-F] one obtains the estimate (for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \dim L_{\gamma} & \leq \dim L_{\gamma}/R_{\gamma} + \dim L_{(0), \gamma} \\ & \leq 6 + \dim \bar{G}_{\gamma} = 6 + \dim \bar{G}_{\gamma''} \\ & \leq 6 + \dim(\text{Der } S)_{\bar{\gamma}''} + \dim \mathcal{D}_{\gamma''} \\ & \leq 6 + \dim(\text{Der } S)_{\bar{\gamma}''} + \dim W(1; \underline{1})_{\gamma''} \\ & \leq 6 + (p + 2) + 1 < 3p. \end{aligned}$$

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LEMMA 3.2. Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$  be a Hamiltonian proper root such that  $L(\gamma) \neq L_{(0)}(\gamma) + \text{rad } L(\gamma)$ , and  $\pi : L(\gamma) \rightarrow L[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$  the canonical homomorphism. Suppose there is  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \gamma$  such that the  $L(\gamma)$ -module  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta+j\gamma}$  has a composition factor of dimension  $< p^3$ . Then the following hold.

1.  $\pi(L_{(0)}(\gamma)) \subset H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ .
2. If  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  is solvable and  $\dim L_{i\gamma}/L_{(0), i\gamma} = 1$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , then  $p = 5$  and  $\pi(L_{(0)}(\gamma)) = H(2; \underline{1})_{(i)}^{(2)} + \pi(H)$ .

*Proof.* (a) Let  $\mathfrak{g} := L(\gamma)^{(\infty)}$ . For  $i \geq -1$ , set  $\mathfrak{g}_{(i)} := \pi^{-1}(H(2; \underline{1})_{(i)}^{(2)}) + H$  and let  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $L_p$ . Note that the action of  $T$  on  $L$  induces an  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -grading on  $L(\gamma)$ , hence on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{g}$  is not solvable, the zero part of this grading contains an element  $x$  such that  $\text{ad}_{\mathfrak{g}} x$  is not nilpotent ([St 97, Proposition 1.14]). Then  $\mathfrak{g}_p \cap T$  contains a toral element,  $t$ , say, with  $\gamma(t) = 1$ . Set

$$I := \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} (\text{rad } L(\gamma))_{i\gamma} + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} [( \text{rad } L(\gamma) )_{i\gamma}, L_{-i\gamma}].$$

By the preceding remark,  $I$  is an ideal of  $L(\gamma)$  contained in  $\mathfrak{g} \cap \text{rad } L(\gamma)$ . Since  $I \subset K(\gamma)$ , the ideal  $I$  is nilpotent. The image of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $L[\gamma]$  is a simple ideal of  $L[\gamma]$  (recall that  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset L[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ ). It follows that

$$\text{rad } \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g} \cap \text{rad } L(\gamma) = I + H \cap \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}.$$

This gives  $[\mathfrak{g}_{i\gamma}, \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}] \subset I$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . As  $\mathfrak{g}$  is perfect,  $[\mathfrak{g}, \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}] \subset I$ . This implies that  $\mathfrak{g}/I$  is a central extension of  $\mathfrak{g}/\text{rad } \mathfrak{g} \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ .

Let  $W$  be an  $L(\gamma)$ -composition factor of  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta+j\gamma}$  of dimension  $< p^3$ . Then  $W$  is a restricted  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ -module. Let  $\rho : \mathfrak{g}_p \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(W)$  denote the corresponding representation. As  $I$  is nilpotent there is  $n \geq 0$  such that  $\rho(I)^{n+1} \subset F \text{Id}_W$ .

(b) Suppose  $n = 0$ . As  $[\mathfrak{g}, I] \supset [t, I]$  we have the equality  $[\mathfrak{g}, I] = I$ . Then  $I$  acts trivially on  $W$  (by our assumption on  $n$ ). As a consequence,  $\rho$  gives rise to an irreducible representation of a central extension of  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . Any Cartan subalgebra of this central extension acts triangulably on  $W$  (this follows from the fact that any Cartan subalgebra of  $L$  is triangulable). As  $\dim W < p^4$ , [P-St 99, Lemmas 3.8 and 3.9] apply to the representation  $\rho : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(W)$  and show that the subalgebra  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}] + [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}_{(2)}]$  acts nilpotently on  $W$ .

(c) Suppose  $n \neq 0$  and let  $m \geq 1$  be such that  $\rho(I)^m \not\subset F \text{Id}_W$  and  $\rho(I)^{m+1} \subset F \text{Id}_W$ . Set  $A := I^m$ . Both  $I$  and  $A$  are  $T$ -stable. Since  $\rho([t, [I, A]]) = (0)$  (by the choice of  $m$ ), we must have

$$\rho(I)^{m+1} = \rho([H \cap I, H \cap A]) + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} \rho([I_{i\gamma}, A_{-i\gamma}]).$$

Now  $[H \cap I, H \cap A] \subset H^{(1)} \subset \text{nil } H$  and  $[I_{i\gamma}, A_{-i\gamma}] \subset K'(\gamma)^{(1)}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Combining this with [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] we obtain that union

$$\rho([H \cap I, H \cap A]) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} \rho([I_{i\gamma}, A_{-i\gamma}]) \right)$$

consists of nilpotent endomorphisms. This means that  $\rho(I)^{m+1} = (0)$ . Thus  $\rho(A)$  is an abelian ideal of  $\rho(\mathfrak{g}_p)$ . As  $W$  is  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ -irreducible and  $A$  is nilpotent, there is a linear function  $\lambda \in A^*$  such that  $\lambda(A^{(1)}) = 0$  and  $\rho(x) - \lambda(x)\text{Id}_W$  is nilpotent for any  $x \in A$ . Let

$$W_0 := \{w \in W \mid \rho(x)(w) = \lambda(x)w \text{ for all } x \in A\}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda := \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_p \mid \lambda([x, A]) = 0\}.$$

Obviously  $\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  and  $W_0$  is  $\rho(\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda)$ -stable. By [St-F, Corollary 5.7.6],  $W_0$  is  $\rho(\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda)$ -irreducible and

$$W \cong u(\mathfrak{g}_p) \otimes_{u(\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda)} W_0$$

as  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ -modules. If  $\mathfrak{g}_p = \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$ , then the ideal  $[\mathfrak{g}_p, A]$  acts nilpotently on  $W$  hence annihilating this irreducible module. This forces  $\rho(A) \subset F \text{Id}_W$ . Due to our choice of  $m$  this is not the case. Therefore,  $\mathfrak{g}_p \neq \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$ . Also,

$$\dim W = p^{\dim \mathfrak{g}_p / \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda} \dim W_0$$

yielding  $\dim \mathfrak{g}_p / \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda \leq 2$ . Set  $\mathfrak{m} := \mathfrak{g} \cap \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$ . Then  $\dim \mathfrak{g} / \mathfrak{m} = \dim(\mathfrak{g} + \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda) / \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda \leq 2$ . From the definition of  $\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$  it follows that  $I \subset \mathfrak{m}$ . Suppose  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{m} + [\mathfrak{g}, \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}]$ . By our discussion in (a),  $[\mathfrak{g}, \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}] \subset I$ . It follows that  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m}$ ; i.e.,  $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$ . This implies  $\mathfrak{g}_p = \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$  (as  $\mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ ), a contradiction. Hence  $\mathfrak{g} \neq \mathfrak{m} + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$ ; i.e.,  $\pi(\mathfrak{m})$  is a proper subalgebra of  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  of codimension  $\leq 2$ . But then  $\pi(\mathfrak{m}) = H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)}$  (by [Kr]); hence

$$2 = \dim \mathfrak{g} / (\mathfrak{m} + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}) \leq \dim \mathfrak{g} / \mathfrak{m} \leq 2.$$

This shows that  $\text{rad } \mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{m}$  and  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . Therefore,

$$2 = \dim \mathfrak{g} / \mathfrak{m} = \dim(\mathfrak{g} + \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda) / \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda$$

forcing  $\dim \mathfrak{g}_p / \mathfrak{g}_p^\lambda = 2$ . As a consequence,  $\dim W_0 < p$ .

Let  $x$  be an arbitrary element of  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  and  $x_s$  the semisimple part of  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ . Since  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)}$  acts nilpotently on  $H(2; \underline{1})$ , one has  $[x_s, \mathfrak{g}_p] \subset \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$ .

As  $\text{ad } x_s$  is semisimple and maps  $t$  into  $\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$ , there is  $r \in \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $[x_s, t + r] = 0$ . Clearly,  $[T \cap \ker \gamma, t + r] = 0$ . Let  $y$  denote the semisimple part of  $t + r$  in  $L_p$ . As  $\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}$  is nilpotent, our choice of  $t$  implies that  $\text{ad } y$  acts nonnilpotently on  $L(\gamma)$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$ ,  $Fy + T \cap \ker \gamma$  is a maximal torus of  $L_p$ . This implies  $x_s \in Fy + T \cap \ker \gamma$ , that is  $x_s \in T \cap \ker \gamma$ . But then  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  is a nilpotent subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (by Engel's theorem).

The above discussion shows that the eigenvalue function  $\lambda: A \rightarrow F$  extends to  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$ . The function  $\lambda: \mathfrak{g}_{(1)} \rightarrow F$  has the property that  $\rho(x) - \lambda(x)\text{Id}_W$  is nilpotent for any  $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$ . For  $u \in \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$  and  $v \in \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  one has

$$0 = \text{trace } \rho([u, v])|_{W_0} = (\dim W_0) \lambda([u, v]).$$

As  $\dim W_0 < p$  we derive that  $\lambda$  vanishes on  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$ . In other words,  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$  acts nilpotently on  $W$ .

(d) It follows from our discussion in (b), (c) that in all cases the subalgebra  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$  acts nilpotently on  $W$ . Let  $z$  be an arbitrary element of  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$ , and let  $z_s$  be the semisimple part of  $z$  in  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ . We have already established that  $z_s \in T \cap \ker \gamma$  (see (c)). This means that  $(\text{ad } z) - \delta(z_s)\text{Id}$  acts nilpotently on  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta+j\gamma}$ . Since  $\rho$  is induced by the adjoint action of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta+j\gamma}$  and  $\rho(z)$  is nilpotent,  $\delta(z_s) = 0$  necessarily holds. But then  $z_s = 0$  for any  $z \in [\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$ ; that is,  $[\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}]$  acts nilpotently on  $L$ .

(e) Since  $\gamma$  is proper,  $T$  stabilizes  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  and acts on  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  as  $F(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2)$  ([Dem 72]). No generality is lost by assuming  $\gamma(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) = 1$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g} = L_\gamma + L_{-\gamma} + \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . If  $i \neq \pm 1$ , then  $L_{i\gamma} \subset \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . By [B-W 88, (5.2.1)],  $K_{i\gamma} \subset \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . So it follows from (d) that  $[L_{-i\gamma}, K_{i\gamma}]$  acts nilpotently on  $L$  whenever  $i \neq \pm 1$ . In other words,  $K_{i\gamma} = R_{i\gamma} \subset L_{(0), i\gamma}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^* \setminus \{\pm 1\}$ .

Suppose  $L_{(0)}(\gamma) \not\subset \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . Then there is  $a \in L_{(0), \gamma}$  such that

$$\pi(a) = D_H(x_1) + \sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda_i D_H(x_1^{i+1} x_2^i).$$

There is  $b \in L_{2\gamma}$  such that  $\pi(b) = D_H(x_2^{p-2})$ . Note that  $b \in K_{2\gamma} = R_{2\gamma} \subset L_{(0)}(\gamma)$ . Also,

$$\pi((\text{ad } a)^{p-3}(b)) \equiv (p-2)! D_H(x_2) \pmod{H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)}}.$$

It follows that there is  $a' \in L_{(0), -\gamma}$  such that

$$\pi(a') = D_H(x_2) + \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_i D_H(x_1^i x_2^{i+1}).$$

There is  $b' \in K_{-2\gamma}$  such that  $\pi(b') = D_H(x_1^{p-2})$ . As before,  $b' \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$ . Since  $(\text{ad } a)^{p-4}(b)$ ,  $(\text{ad } a')^{p-4}(b') \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  we deduce that there are

$u_1, u_2 \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  such that  $\pi(u_i) \equiv D_H(x_i^2) \pmod{H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)}}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Arguing in a similar fashion we find  $c, c' \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  such that  $\pi(c) = D_H(x_1^{p-1}x_2^{p-3})$  and  $\pi(c') = D_H(x_1^{p-3}x_2^{p-1})$ . Since each quotient  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(i)}/H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(i+1)}$  is an irreducible module over  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)}/H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)}$ , it is easy to see that the subalgebra generated by  $\pi(a), \pi(a'), \pi(c), \pi(c'), \pi(u_1), \pi(u_2)$  coincides with  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . We deduce that  $L_{(0)}(\gamma) + \text{rad } L(\gamma)$  contains  $\pi^{-1}(H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}) = \mathfrak{g}$ . However,  $L(\gamma) = H + \mathfrak{g}$  and  $H \subset L_{(0)}(\gamma)$ . This contradiction proves (1).

(f) Now we are going to prove (2). First suppose  $p > 5$  and pick  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p \setminus \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2\} \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $L_{k\gamma} = K_{k\gamma}$  (because  $\gamma(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2) = 1$ ). By our discussion in (e),  $K_{i\gamma} = R_{i\gamma} \subset L_{(0), i\gamma}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p \setminus \{\pm 1\}$ . Therefore,  $L_{k\gamma} = R_{k\gamma} \subset L_{(0)}$ . As this contradicts our present assumption on  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  we must have  $p = 5$ .

Next observe that

$$\pi^{-1}(H(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}) \cap L_{\pm 2\gamma} = K_{\pm 2\gamma} = R_{\pm 2\gamma} \subset L_{(0)}.$$

Pick  $i, j \in \{0, \dots, p - 1\}$  with  $i \neq j \pmod{5}$  and choose a root vector  $v(i, j) \in \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\pi(v(i, j)) = D_H(x_1^i x_2^j)$ . Suppose  $i - j \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$  and  $i + j > 1$ . Notice that  $v(i, j)$  and  $v(1, 0)$  are in  $L_\gamma$ . By our assumption,  $L_{(0), \gamma}$  has codimension 1 in  $L_\gamma$ . So  $v(i, j) \notin L_{(0), \gamma}$  implies  $v(1, 0) + \lambda v(i, j) \in L_{(0), \gamma}$  for some  $\lambda \in F$ . But then  $D_H(x_1) = \pi(v(1, 0)) \in \pi(L_{(0), \gamma}) + D_H(x_1^i x_2^j) \subset H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ , a contradiction. Thus  $v(i, j) \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$ . Similarly,  $v(i, j) \in L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  for all  $i, j$  with  $i - j \equiv -1 \pmod{5}$  and  $i + j > 1$ . As a consequence,  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)} \subset L_{(0)}(\gamma)$ . On the other hand,  $L(\gamma)/\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  is spanned by the images of  $v(1, 0), v(0, 1), v(2, 0)$  and  $v(0, 2)$ . We get  $L_{(0)}(\gamma) = \mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  as desired. ■

LEMMA 3.3. *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a simple Lie algebra with  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  the  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ , and  $\mathfrak{t} \subset \mathfrak{g}_p$  a 2-dimensional standard torus. Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  and suppose that  $\mathfrak{g}(\gamma)$  contains a  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant solvable subalgebra  $M$  of codimension  $\leq 2$ . Then  $\gamma$  is a non-Hamiltonian proper root.*

*Proof.* Set  $\mathfrak{g}[\gamma] = \mathfrak{g}(\gamma)/\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\gamma)$ .

Suppose  $\gamma$  is Hamiltonian. Then  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g}[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . Let  $\overline{M}$  denote the image of  $M$  in  $H(2; \underline{1})$ . Then  $\overline{M} \cap H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  is a solvable subalgebra of codimension  $\leq 2$  in  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . But  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  has no such subalgebras (see [Kr]). Thus  $\gamma$  is not Hamiltonian.

Suppose  $\gamma$  is improper. Then  $\mathfrak{g}[\gamma] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , by the previous step, and  $\mathfrak{t}$  acts on  $W(1; \underline{1})$  as  $F(1 + x)\partial$  ([Dem 70]). Let  $\overline{M}$  denote the image of  $M$  in  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . Then  $\overline{M}$  is invariant under  $(1 + x)\partial$  and hence has the form  $\overline{M} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} F(1 + x)^i \partial$  for some  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathbb{F}_p$ . By our assumption,  $\overline{M}$  has codimension  $\leq 2$  in  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . Therefore there are  $i_0, i_1 \in \mathcal{S}$  such that  $i_0, i_1, 1$

are pairwise different. Then  $\overline{M}$  contains (with  $s$  such that  $s(i_0 - 1) = 1 - i_1$ )

$$(\text{ad}(1+x)^{i_0} \partial)^s ((1+x)^{i_1} \partial) \in F(1+x)\partial \setminus \{0\}.$$

Then  $\overline{M}$  is not solvable. This contradiction shows that  $\gamma$  is proper. ■

LEMMA 3.4. *Suppose that  $d(L_{(0)}) \neq 0$ . Then  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ .*

*Proof.* (a) By Lemma 3.1,  $d(L_{(0)}) = 1$ . Suppose  $S_0 \not\cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . Then  $S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  (as mentioned at the beginning of this section) and  $S_{-1} \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules (see [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4 and Theorem 3.5(3)]). So all  $j\overline{\beta}$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , are weights of  $S_{-1}$ . Recall that  $\Phi(T)$  is spanned by  $h_0 \otimes 1$  and  $\kappa\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes t_0$ . It is easily seen that  $\dim \overline{G}_{-1, i\alpha + j\beta} = 1$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Since  $\dim \overline{G}_{-1, \gamma} \leq \dim L_\gamma/R_\gamma \leq 2 \dim L_\gamma/K_\gamma$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  (by [P-St 99, Lemma 1.4 and Theorem 8.6]), all proper roots in  $\mathbb{F}_p\alpha + \mathbb{F}_p^*\beta$  are Hamiltonian and, furthermore,  $(\mathbb{F}_p\alpha + \mathbb{F}_p^*\beta) \cap \Gamma_p = \emptyset$  unless  $p = 5$ .

(b) Suppose  $t_0 \notin W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . In this case we may assume that  $\kappa = 0$  and  $t_0 = (1+x_1)\partial_1$  (see our remarks at the beginning of the section). As  $d(L_{(0)}) = 1$  we therefore have, for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta)/\text{rad}(L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta)) \\ &\cong \overline{G}_0(i\alpha + \beta)/\text{rad}(\overline{G}_0(i\alpha + \beta)) \\ &\cong A_0(\overline{G})(i\alpha + \beta)/\text{rad} A_0(\overline{G})(i\alpha + \beta) \\ &= \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} S_{0, j\overline{\beta}} \otimes (1+x)^{ji} \cong S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1}). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3.1 tells us that  $\Gamma$  contains at least  $p^2 - p$  proper roots. Therefore, there is  $s \in \mathbb{F}_p$  such that  $\eta := s\alpha + \beta$  is proper. Since  $\eta$  is Hamiltonian and  $\dim L_\gamma < 3p$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  (see Lemma 3.1(4)), Lemma 3.2 shows that either  $L(\eta) = L_{(0)}(\eta) + \text{rad} L(\eta)$  or  $L_{(0)}(\eta)/\text{rad} L_{(0)}(\eta) \in \{(0), \mathfrak{sl}(2)\}$ . By the choice of  $\eta$ , neither of these two cases can occur. This contradiction shows that  $t_0 \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . But then  $\Phi$  can be chosen so that

$$\Phi(T) = F(h_0 \otimes 1) \oplus F(\kappa\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes x\partial).$$

In other words, we may assume that  $t_0 = x\partial$ .

(c) Let  $S_{0, (0)}$  denote the standard maximal subalgebra of  $S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . There is  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $S_0 = S_{0, (0)} \oplus FS_{0, i_0\overline{\beta}}$ . Rescaling  $h_0$  if necessary we may assume that  $i_0 = -1$ . For all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and all  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p$ , there exist nonzero  $e_{-1, i} \in S_{-1}$  and  $e_{0, j} \in S_0$ , such that  $S_{-1, i\overline{\beta}} = Fe_{-1, i}$  and  $S_{0, j\overline{\beta}} = Fe_{0, j}$ . For  $0 \leq a \leq p - 1$ , the vectors

$$e_{-1, i} \otimes x^a, i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*, \text{ and } e_{0, j} \otimes x^a, j \in \mathbb{F}_p,$$

form bases of the root spaces

$$(S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{(a-\kappa)\alpha+i\beta} \text{ and } (S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{a\alpha+j\beta},$$

respectively. Since  $d(L_{(0)}) = 1$  and

$$(S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))(\beta) = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{p-1} Fe_{0,j} \otimes 1 \cong S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$$

we must have  $L_{(0)}(\beta)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\beta) \cong (S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))(\beta) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ .

Suppose  $\beta$  is proper. Then  $\beta$  is Hamiltonian, by (a); hence  $L(\beta) \neq L_{(0)}(\beta) + \text{rad } L(\beta)$ . By the preceding remark,  $L_{(0)}(\beta)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\beta) \notin \{(0), \mathfrak{sl}(2)\}$ . This contradicts Lemma 3.2. Thus  $\beta$  is improper. Since  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \beta \subset \Gamma$  and  $\Gamma$  contains at least  $p^2 - p$  proper roots, each element in  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha + \beta$  must be a Hamiltonian proper root of  $L$ . By (a), this forces  $p = 5$ . Given  $i \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_5$  there is  $n(i, j) \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $(S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{j(i\alpha+\beta)} = Fe_{0,j} \otimes x^{n(i,j)}$ . Clearly,  $n(i, j) \equiv ij \pmod{5}$ . As a consequence,

$$(S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))(i\alpha + \beta) \subset Fe_{0,0} \otimes 1 + S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}$$

is solvable ( $i \neq 0$ ). For  $i \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$ , let  $\pi_i$  denote the canonical homomorphism

$$L(i\alpha + \beta) \rightarrow L(i\alpha + \beta)/\text{rad } L(i\alpha + \beta) \hookrightarrow H(2; \underline{1}).$$

Set  $L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(l)} := \pi_i^{-1}(H(2; \underline{1})_{(l)})$ . Since  $\overline{G_0}(i\alpha + \beta) \cong (S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))(i\alpha + \beta)$  is solvable, so is  $L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta)$ . Since  $\dim L_{j(i\alpha+\beta)}/L_{(0), j(i\alpha+\beta)} = 1$  for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$ , Lemma 3.2(2) applies to each  $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_5^* \alpha + \beta$  showing that

$$L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta) = L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(1)} + H \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{F}_5^*.$$

Since  $i\alpha + \beta$  is proper (for  $i \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$ ),  $T$  stabilizes  $L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(0)}$  hence each subspace  $L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(l)}$  ( $l \geq -1$ ). From this it is immediate that there is  $j_0 = j_0(i) \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(0)} &= L_{j_0(i\alpha+\beta)} + L_{-j_0(i\alpha+\beta)} + L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(1)} + H \\ &= L_{j_0(i\alpha+\beta)} + L_{-j_0(i\alpha+\beta)} + L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that there are  $u_{i, \pm} \in L_{\pm j_0(i\alpha+\beta)} \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$L(i\alpha + \beta)_{(0)} = Fu_{i,+} \oplus Fu_{i,-} \oplus L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta).$$

Since  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}^{(2)}$  is an ideal of  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}^{(2)}$  one has

$$[u_{i, \pm}, L_{(0), j(i\alpha+\beta)}] \subset L_{(0)}(i\alpha + \beta) \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{F}_5^*. \quad (2)$$

Given  $i, j \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$  let  $l(i, j) \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$  be such that  $Fe_{-1, j} \otimes x^{l(i, j)} = (S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{j(i\alpha + \beta)}$ . Then

$$l(i, j) \equiv \kappa + ij \pmod{5}. \tag{3}$$

Clearly, the root vectors  $u_{i, \pm}$  can be chosen so that the images of  $u_{i, +}$  and  $u_{i, -}$  in  $\overline{G}_{-1} \cong G_{-1}$  are

$$e_{-1, j_0} \otimes x^{l(i, j_0)} \text{ and } e_{-1, -j_0} \otimes x^{l(i, -j_0)}. \tag{4}$$

It follows from Eq. (2) that these two elements of  $\overline{G}$  annihilate  $(S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{-(i\alpha + \beta)}$ .

Now  $e_{0, -1} \in S_{0, -\bar{\beta}}$  and  $e_{0, -1} \notin S_{0, (0)} \cong W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Since  $S_{-1} \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules we must have  $\text{ann}_{S_{-1}} e_{0, -1} = S_{-1, \bar{\beta}}$ . Therefore,

$$\text{ann}_{S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1})}(e_{0, -1} \otimes x) = S_{-1, \bar{\beta}} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}) + S_{-1} \otimes x^4.$$

Observe that  $e_{0, -1} \otimes x \in (S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{\alpha - \beta}$ . Then

$$\text{ann}_{(S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{(-\alpha + \beta)}}(e_{0, -1} \otimes x) = Fe_{-1, 1} \otimes x^{l(-1, 1)} + Fe_{-1, r} \otimes x^4,$$

where  $r \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  has the property that  $l(-1, r) \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$ . The subspace on the right is at most 2-dimensional and hence must coincide with  $Fe_{-1, j_0} \otimes x^{l(-1, j_0)} + Fe_{-1, -j_0} \otimes x^{l(-1, -j_0)}$ , the span of the images of  $u_{-1, \pm}$  in  $\overline{G}_{-1}$ . Thus  $\{1, r\} = \{\pm j_0\}$  forcing  $r = -1$ . By Eq. (3),  $4 \equiv l(-1, -1) \equiv \kappa + 1$ . Thus  $\kappa = 3$ .

Next  $e_{0, -1} \otimes x^2 \in (S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{2\alpha - \beta}$  and

$$\text{ann}_{S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1})}(e_{0, -1} \otimes x^2) = S_{-1, \bar{\beta}} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}) + S_{-1} \otimes x^3 + S_{-1} \otimes x^4.$$

As a consequence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ann}_{(S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))_{(-2\alpha + \beta)}}(e_{0, -1} \otimes x^2) \\ = Fe_{-1, 1} \otimes x^{l(-2, 1)} + Fe_{-1, r_1} \otimes x^3 + Fe_{-1, r_2} \otimes x^4, \end{aligned}$$

where  $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{F}_5^*$  satisfy  $l(-2, r_1) \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$  and  $l(-2, r_2) \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$ . The subspace on the right should contain  $e_{-1, \pm j_0} \otimes x^{l(-2, \pm j_0)}$  (we set  $i = -2$  in Eq. (4)). But then  $\{\pm j_0\} \subset \{1, r_1, r_2\}$ ; hence one of the following must hold:

- (i)  $r_1 = -1$ , (ii)  $r_2 = -1$ , (iii)  $r_1 = -r_2$ .

If (i) holds, then  $3 \equiv l(-2, -1) \equiv \kappa + 2$  (by Eq. (3)). If (ii) holds, then  $4 \equiv \kappa + 2$ , in a similar fashion. If (iii) holds, then  $3 \equiv \kappa - 2r_1$  and



$4 \equiv \kappa + 2r_1$ . As  $\kappa = 3$  each of the three cases leads to a contradiction, completing the proof. ■

In proving the main result of this section we elaborate on the arguments used in [P-St 99, Lemmas 4.9 and 8.4].

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Let  $(T, \mu, L_{(0)})$  be admissible. Then  $d(L_{(0)}) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $d(L_{(0)}) \neq 0$ . Then  $d(L_{(0)}) = 1$  and  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  (Lemmas 3.1, 3.4). By remark (iv) at the beginning of this section,  $M(G) = G_{-2} = (0)$ . Thus  $\overline{G} = G$ . The grading of  $S$  is as in case 3 of [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4] yielding  $\dim S_{-1} = 2$ .

(b) Recall that  $\Phi$  can be chosen so that  $t_0 \in \{x\partial, (1+x)\partial\}$ . If  $t_0 = x\partial$ , set  $T' := T$ ,  $\kappa' := \kappa$ ,  $\Phi' := \Phi$ .

Suppose  $t_0 = (1+x)\partial$ . By [P-St 99, Lemma 4.9], we can find  $w \in \mathcal{L}_{(0), i\alpha}$ , where  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , such that  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w) \notin W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . One has  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w) \in F(1+x)^j \partial$  for some  $j \neq 1$ , whence  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w^{[p]}) = 0$ . It follows that

$$(\pi_2 \circ \Phi) \left( t - i\alpha(t) \sum_{i=0}^{m(w)-1} \lambda^{p^i} w^{[p]^i} \right) = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(t) - \lambda\alpha(t)(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w)$$

for all  $t \in T$ ,  $\lambda \in F$  (see also the proof of Lemma 3.1(2)). From this it is immediate that one can switch  $T$  by a multiple of  $w$  so that the new torus  $T'$  will satisfy the condition

$$\Phi'(T') = Fh'_0 \otimes 1 \oplus F(\kappa' \delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes x\partial)$$

(for a suitable embedding  $\Phi'$  and  $\kappa' \in \mathbb{F}_p$ ).

(c) If  $\beta'$  is a proper root, set  $T'' := T'$ .

Suppose  $\beta'$  is improper. If  $\kappa' = 0$ , then  $G(\beta') = A(G)(\beta') + C_G(T') = S \otimes 1 + C_G(T')$ . Since  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ ,  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ , and  $\dim S_{-1} = 2$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] yields that  $\beta' \in \Gamma(L, T')$  is proper Hamiltonian, which contradicts our assumption. Hence  $\kappa' \neq 0$ . Choose  $k \in \{1, \dots, p-1\}$  with  $k \equiv \kappa' \pmod{p}$ . Choose nonzero  $u_{\pm} \in S_{-1, \pm \bar{\beta}'}$ . There exist  $e' \in S_{0, 2\bar{\beta}'}$ ,  $f' \in S_{0, -2\bar{\beta}'}$  such that  $(e', h'_0, f')$  forms an  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -triple. Then

$$G_{-1, \beta'} = Fu_+ \otimes x^k, G_{-1, -\beta'} = Fu_- \otimes x^k,$$

and

$$A(G)_0(\beta') = F(e' \otimes 1) \oplus (Fh'_0 \otimes 1) \oplus (Ff' \otimes 1) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2).$$

Therefore,  $[G_{-1}(\beta'), G_1(\beta')] \subset A(G)_0(\beta') \cap S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)} = (0)$ . This means that  $L_{(1)}(\beta')$  is an ideal of  $L(\beta')$ . As  $L_{(1)}(\beta')$  has codimension 5 in  $L(\beta')$ ,  $\beta'$  cannot be Hamiltonian. As  $\beta'$  is improper, it is neither solvable nor classical. Hence  $\beta'$  is improper Witt and  $p = 5$ . Choose root

vectors  $z_+, z_- \in L_{(0)}(\beta')$  such that  $\Phi'(z_+) = e' \otimes 1$  and  $\Phi'(z_-) = f' \otimes 1$ . Let  $\psi : L(\beta') \rightarrow W(1; \underline{1})$  be a Lie algebra epimorphism. If both  $\psi(z_+)$  and  $\psi(z_-)$  were in  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ , they would generate a solvable subalgebra in  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . Then  $z_+$  and  $z_-$  would generate a solvable subalgebra in  $L_{(0)}(\beta')$  (as  $\ker \psi$  is a solvable ideal of  $L(\beta')$ ). As  $\Phi'(z_+), \Phi'(z_-)$  generate an  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  this is false. Thus there is  $z \in \{z_+, z_-\}$  such that  $\psi(z) \notin W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned} [\Phi'(z^{[p]}), A(G)] &= [\Phi'(z)^{[p]}, H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(1; \underline{1})] \\ &= (\text{ad } e')^p (H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}) \otimes A(1; \underline{1}) = (0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\Phi'(z^{[p]}) = 0$ . Let  $\mu' \in \{\pm 2\beta'\}$  be the weight of  $z$ . For  $\lambda \in F$ , we consider the torus

$$T'_\lambda := \left\{ t - \mu'(t) \sum_{i=0}^{m(z)-1} \lambda^{p^i} z^{[p]^i} \mid t \in T' \right\}.$$

By the preceding remark,  $\Phi'(T'_\lambda) = \{\Phi'(t) - \mu'(t)\lambda\Phi'(z) \mid t \in T'\}$ .

Let  $L(\beta')_p$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $\overline{L(\beta')}$  in  $L_p$ . It is a homomorphic image of the universal  $p$ -envelope  $\overline{L(\beta')} \subset U(L(\beta'))$  ([St 97]). As  $W(1; \underline{1})$  is restricted,  $\psi$  extends to an epimorphism of restricted Lie algebras  $\hat{\psi} : \overline{L(\beta')} \rightarrow W(1; \underline{1})$ . As  $W(1; \underline{1})$  is simple,  $C(\overline{L(\beta')}) \subset \ker \hat{\psi}$ . It follows that  $\hat{\psi}$  induces an epimorphism of restricted Lie algebras  $\psi_p : L(\beta')_p \rightarrow W(1; \underline{1})$  such that  $\psi_p|_{L(\beta')} = \psi$  ([St 97, Theorem 1.2]). It is easy to see that  $\ker \psi_p = \text{rad } L(\beta')_p$ . Also,  $\psi_p(z^{[p]^k}) = \psi(z)^{[p]^k} = 0$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . This means that  $z^{[p]} \in \mathcal{L}_{(0)}(\beta') \cap \ker \psi_p$ . Consequently,  $\psi_p(T'_\lambda) = \{\psi_p(t) - \mu'(t)\lambda\psi(z) \mid t \in T'\}$ . As  $\psi_p(T')$  is a 1-dimensional torus in  $W(1; \underline{1})$  and  $\mu'(h'_0 \otimes 1)\psi(z)$  sticks out of  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ , there is  $\lambda_0 \in F$  such that  $\psi_p(T'_{\lambda_0}) \subset W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Put  $T'' := T'_{\lambda_0}$  and let  $\Gamma''$  denote the root system of  $L$  relative to  $T''$ . As  $\mu'(\kappa'\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes t'_0) = 0$  we obtain  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(T'') = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(T')$ . In other words,

$$\Phi'(T'') = F(h''_0 \otimes 1) \oplus F(\kappa'\delta \otimes 1 + \text{Id} \otimes x\delta)$$

for some toral element  $h''_0 \in S_0$ .

(d) First observe that  $\beta'' \in \Gamma''_p$  (by the choice of  $T''$ ).

Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma'' \setminus (\mathbb{F}_p \alpha'' \cup \mathbb{F}_p \beta'')$ . Each  $T''$ -weight of  $G_{-1}$  has multiplicity 1 and  $|\mathbb{F}_p \gamma \cap \Gamma(G_{-1}, T'')| = 2$  (as  $\dim S_{-1} = 2$ ). After rescaling  $h''_0$  possibly,  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, T'') = \pm \beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha''$  and  $\Gamma(G_0, T'') = \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha'' \cup \{\pm 2\beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha''\}$ . Choose nonzero  $e'' \in S_{0, 2\bar{\beta}''}$  and  $f'' \in S_{0, -2\bar{\beta}''}$ . Then

$$Fe'' \otimes x^a = G_{0, 2\beta'' + a\alpha''} \text{ and } Ff'' \otimes x^a = G_{0, -2\beta'' + a\alpha''}$$

for any  $a \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ . We deduce that  $A(G)_0(\gamma) \subset Fh_0 \otimes 1 + S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  is solvable. Then so is  $L_{(0)}(\gamma) + \text{rad } L(\gamma)$ . It follows that  $L[\gamma]$  contains a solvable  $T''$ -invariant subalgebra of codimension  $\leq 2$ . By Lemma 3.3,  $\gamma$  is proper and non-Hamiltonian.

Next observe that  $L(\alpha'') = L_{(0)}(\alpha'')$  (for this is true for the non-dashed entities), and the kernel  $Fh'_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1})$  of the epimorphism  $\pi_2 : G_0(\alpha'') \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is a solvable ideal of  $G_0(\alpha'')$ . Thus either  $\alpha''$  is solvable or classical (hence proper) or  $\mathcal{D} \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . By the choice of  $T''$   $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(T'') = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(T') = Fx\partial$  normalizes  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Therefore,  $\alpha''$  is proper in all cases.

Summarizing, all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T'')$  are proper. Lemma 2.1 and Proposition 2.3 now show that  $T''$  is standard, nonrigid, and optimal.

Since  $T$  is optimal, all  $T$ -roots must be proper as well. But then  $T = T''$  if  $t_0 = x\partial$ .

(e) If  $t_0 = x\partial$  (resp.,  $t_0 = (1+x)\partial$ ), then Lemma 3.1(1) (resp., [P-St 99, Lemma 4.9]) shows that there is an element  $w \in L_{(0), i\alpha}$ , where  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , such that  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi)(w) \notin W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . In (b), we switched  $T$  to  $T'$  by use of  $w$ . Let  $z$  be the element which we have used in (c) to switch  $T'$  to  $T''$ . Fix  $\xi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(F, F)$  and let  $E_{\lambda_0 z, \xi}$  be the generalized Winter exponential associated to  $(\lambda_0 z, \xi)$  (see [P-St 99, Sect. 2]). Set  $w'' := E_{\lambda_0 z, \xi}(w) \in L_{(0), i\alpha'}$ . As  $z \in A(\overline{G})_0$ , one has  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(w'') = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(w) \notin W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Thus  $(\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(w'') = \lambda_0 \partial$ , where  $\lambda_0 \in F^*$ , and

$$\Phi'(w'') = h''_0 \otimes f_1 + \delta \otimes f_2 + \lambda_0 \text{Id} \otimes \partial.$$

Since  $\Phi'(w'')$  is an eigenvector for  $\text{Id} \otimes t''_0$  and  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$  we obtain  $f_i = \lambda_i x^{p-1}$  for some  $\lambda_i \in F$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . By Jacobson's formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi'(w''^{[p]}) &= \Phi'(w'')^p = h''_0 \otimes \lambda_0^{p-1} \partial^{p-1}(f_1) + \delta \otimes \lambda_0^{p-1} \partial^{p-1}(f_2) \\ &= -\lambda_0^{p-1}(\lambda_1 h''_0 + \lambda_2 \delta) \otimes 1. \end{aligned}$$

This proves that  $\lambda_2 \delta \otimes 1 \in \Phi'(T'')$ . As  $\dim T'' = 2$  we get  $\lambda_2 = 0$ . Therefore,

$$\text{Id} \otimes \partial \in G_{0, i\alpha''}.$$

(f) We have already mentioned in (d) that

$$\Gamma(G_{-1}, T'') = \pm\beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha'', \quad \Gamma(G_0, T'') = \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha'' \cup \{\pm 2\beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha''\}.$$

Arguing as in the proof of [P-St 99, Lemma 4.9] one derives that the Lie product in  $L$  induces nonzero  $(T'' + G_0(\alpha''))$ -invariant bilinear mappings

$$\Lambda : G_{-1} \times G_{-1} \rightarrow G_0, \quad \Lambda_2 := \pi_2 \circ \Lambda : G_{-1} \times G_{-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \subset W(1; \underline{1})$$

(here one uses the simplicity of  $L$  and the structure of the graded algebra  $G$ ). Choose nonzero  $u \in S_{-1, \bar{\beta}''}$  and  $u' \in S_{-1, -\bar{\beta}''}$ . As  $\mathcal{D}$  is a trivial  $Fh_0'' \otimes A(1; \underline{1})$ -module we have

$$\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes x^j) = \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^{i+j}, u' \otimes 1) \quad \forall i, j \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}.$$

Setting in [St 98, 4.6(2)]  $f = x$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^{i-1}, u' \otimes x) &= (i-2)x^i \Lambda_2(u \otimes 1, u' \otimes 1) + (1-i)x^{i-1} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x, u' \otimes 1) \\ &\quad + (2-i)x^{i-1} \Lambda_2(u \otimes 1, u' \otimes x) + (i-1)x^{i-2} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x, u' \otimes x) \\ &\quad + x \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^{i-1}, u' \otimes 1) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$ . Induction on  $i$  shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1) &= \frac{(i-1)(i-2)}{2} x^i \Lambda_2(u \otimes 1, u' \otimes 1) \\ &\quad + i(2-i)x^{i-1} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x, u' \otimes 1) \\ &\quad + \frac{i(i-1)}{2} x^{i-2} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^2, u' \otimes 1) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ . Since  $\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1)$  is an eigenvector for  $t_0'' = x\partial$  there are  $s_i \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and  $l_i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  ( $l_i \leq p-1$ ) such that  $\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1) = s_i x^{l_i} \partial$ . Since  $\delta$  acts on  $S_{-1}$  as  $-\text{Id}$  we must have

$$\begin{aligned} l_0 &\equiv 1 - 2\kappa' \pmod{p} \\ l_1 &\equiv 2 - 2\kappa' \pmod{p} \\ l_2 &\equiv 3 - 2\kappa' \pmod{p}. \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Applying  $\text{Id} \otimes \partial \in G_0(\alpha'')$  shows that  $i \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^{i-1}, u' \otimes 1) = s_i l_i x^{l_i-1} \partial$ . This gives  $0 = s_0 l_0 x^{l_0-1}$ ,  $s_0 x^{l_0} = s_1 l_1 x^{l_1-1}$ ,  $2s_1 x^{l_1} = s_2 l_2 x^{l_2-1}$ . Consequently,

$$s_0 l_0 = 0, s_0 = s_1 l_1, 2s_1 = s_2 l_2. \tag{6}$$

Moreover,

$$\text{either } l_0 = l_1 - 1 \text{ or } s_0 = 0,$$

and

$$\text{either } l_1 = l_2 - 1 \text{ or } s_1 = 0.$$

It is immediate from Eq. (6) that  $0 \in \{l_0, l_1, l_2\}$  (otherwise,  $s_0 = s_1 = s_2 = 0$  forcing  $\Lambda_2 = 0$ ).

Suppose  $l_1 = 0$ . Then  $s_0 = 0$  (by Eq. (6)) and  $\kappa' = 1$  (by Eq. (5)). Hence  $l_2 = 1$  (by Eq. (5)). By Eq. (6),  $2s_1 = s_2$ . In this case

$$\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1) = \left( i(2-i)s_1 + \frac{i(i-1)}{2}s_2 \right) x^{i-1}\partial = is_1 x^{i-1}\partial.$$

Since  $\Lambda_2 \neq 0$  we have  $s_1 \neq 0$ . It follows that  $\Lambda_2(G_{-1}, G_{-1}) = \sum_{i=0}^{p-2} Fx^i\partial \subset \pi_2(G_0(\alpha''))$ . As  $p > 3$ , this implies  $x^2\partial \in \pi_2(G_0(\alpha''))$ . However,  $\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} Fx^i\partial$  is not  $x^2\partial$ -stable. This contradiction shows that  $l_1 \neq 0$  and  $l_0 l_2 = 0$ .

(g) Suppose  $l_0 = 0$ . Then  $2\kappa' = 1$ , by Eq. (5), whence  $l_1 = 1, l_2 = 2$ . By Eq. (6),  $s_0 = s_1 = s_2$ . As a consequence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1) \\ = \left( \frac{(i-1)(i-2)}{2} + i(2-i) + \frac{i(i-1)}{2} \right) s_0 x^i\partial = s_0 x^i\partial \end{aligned}$$

( $0 \leq i \leq p-1$ ). As  $s_0 \neq 0$  we get  $\mathcal{D} = W(1; \underline{1})$ . Since  $L(\alpha) = L_{(0)}(\alpha)$  we obtain  $L[\alpha] \cong \mathcal{D}$ . If  $t_0 = (1+x)\partial$  then  $\alpha$  is improper Witt. However, we mentioned in (d) that all  $T$ -roots are proper. Thus  $t_0 = x\partial$  and, as a consequence,  $T = T''$ .

As  $\kappa = \kappa' = \frac{1}{2}$  we have that

$$G_{-1, \beta - \frac{3}{2}\alpha} = Fu \otimes x^{p-1}, G_{-1, -\beta + \frac{3}{2}\alpha} = Fu' \otimes x^2.$$

Then

$$[G_{-1, \beta - \frac{3}{2}\alpha}, G_{1, -\beta + \frac{3}{2}\alpha}] \subset (S_0 \otimes x^{p-1}) \cap \Phi(H) \subset \text{nil } \Phi(H).$$

Since  $L_{(0), -\beta + \frac{3}{2}\alpha} \subset L_{(1)}$  we have that  $[L_{\beta - \frac{3}{2}\alpha}, L_{(0), -\beta + \frac{3}{2}\alpha}] \subset \text{nil } H$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(u \otimes x^{p-1}, u' \otimes x^2) &\in F(\text{ad } h_0 \otimes x)^2(\Lambda(u \otimes x^{p-1}, u' \otimes 1)) \\ &\subset (\text{ad } h_0 \otimes x)^2(G_0(\alpha)) = (0). \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $v \in L_{\beta - \frac{3}{2}\alpha}$  with  $\text{gr}_{-1}(v) = u \otimes x^{p-1}$ . The above yields  $[v, L_{-\beta + \frac{3}{2}\alpha}] \subset \text{nil } H$ . But then  $v \in R(L, T) \subset L_{(0)}$ , a contradiction.

(h) It follows now that  $l_2 = 0$ . By Eq. (6),  $s_1 = s_0 = 0$ , so that

$$\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes 1) = \frac{i(i-1)}{2} s_2 x^{i-2}\partial, 0 \leq i \leq p-1.$$

Then  $\Lambda_2(G_{-1}, G_{-1}) = \sum_{i=0}^{p-3} Fx^i \vartheta \subset (\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(L_{(0)}(\alpha''))$ . So  $\Lambda_2(G_{-1}, G_{-1})$  being  $\mathcal{D}$ -invariant, we must have  $p = 5$  and  $\mathcal{D} = (\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(L_{(0)}(\alpha'')) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . As  $L = L_{(-1)}$  and  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, T'') = \pm\beta'' + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha''$ , all root spaces  $L_{a\beta'' + j\alpha''}$  with  $a \in \{0, \pm 2\}$  are contained in  $L_{(0)}$ . Choose  $T''$ -invariant subspaces

$$V_0 \subset H + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{2\beta'' + j\alpha''} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{-2\beta'' + j\alpha''} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} L_{j\alpha''}$$

and

$$V_{-1} \subset \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\beta'' + j\alpha''} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{-\beta'' + j\alpha''}$$

such that

$$\text{gr}_0(V_0) = S_0 \otimes A(1; \underline{1}) + F \text{Id} \otimes ((\pi_2 \circ \Phi')(L_{(0)}) \cap W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)})$$

and

$$\text{gr}_{-1}(V_{-1}) = S_{-1} \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(2)}$$

(here  $\text{gr}_i : L_{(i)} \rightarrow G_i$  stands for the canonical homomorphism). Properties of the associated graded algebra  $G$  ensure that

$$[L, L_{(1)}] \subset V_0 + L_{(1)}, [V_0, V_0] \subset V_0 + L_{(1)},$$

while properties of  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, T'')$  yield

$$[V_{-1}, V_{-1}] \subset L_{(0)}.$$

Finally, properties of  $G$  show that  $\text{gr}_{-1}(V_{-1})$  is  $(\text{gr}_0(V_0))$ -invariant. This means that

$$[V_{-1}, V_0] \subset \left( \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{i\beta'' + j\alpha''} \right) \cap (V_{-1} + L_{(0)}) \subset V_{-1} + V_0 + L_{(1)}.$$

Observe that  $\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^m, u' \otimes x^n) = \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^{m+n}, u' \otimes 1) \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  whenever  $m + n \geq 4$ . Therefore,  $[V_{-1}, V_{-1}] \subset V_0 + L_{(1)}$  (one should take into account that  $V_{-1} \cap L_{(0)} \subset L_{(1)}$  and  $L = L_{(-1)}$ ). Therefore,  $L'_{(0)} := V_{-1} + V_0 + L_{(1)}$  is a Lie subalgebra of  $L$ . By construction,  $L'_{(0)}$  is a  $T''$ -invariant subalgebra of codimension 5.

By Eq. (5),  $\kappa' = -1$  (as  $p = 5$ ). From this it follows that the vectors  $u \otimes 1$ ,  $u' \otimes 1$ ,  $u \otimes x$ ,  $u' \otimes x \in G_{-1}$  belong to the root spaces  $G_{\beta'' + \alpha''}$ ,  $G_{-\beta'' + \alpha''}$ ,  $G_{\beta'' + 2\alpha''}$ ,  $G_{-\beta'' + 2\alpha''}$ , respectively. Pick  $v_1 \in L_{\beta'' + \alpha''}$ ,  $v_2 \in L_{-\beta'' + \alpha''}$ ,  $v_3 \in L_{\beta'' + 2\alpha''}$  and  $v_4 \in G_{-\beta'' + 2\alpha''}$  such that

$$\text{gr}_{-1}(v_1) = u \otimes 1, \quad \text{gr}_{-1}(v_2) = u' \otimes 1,$$

$$\text{gr}_{-1}(v_3) = u \otimes x, \quad \text{gr}_{-1}(v_4) = u' \otimes x.$$

It is easy to see that

$$L = L'_{(0)} \oplus Fv_1 \oplus Fv_2 \oplus Fv_3 \oplus Fv_4 \oplus Fw'',$$

where  $w'' \in L_{(0)}(\alpha'')$  is as in (e).

Next we observe that for  $i \geq 2$

$$\Lambda_2(u \otimes x^i, u' \otimes x) = \Lambda_2(u \otimes x, u' \otimes x^i) \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)},$$

and

$$\Lambda_2(u \otimes x, u' \otimes x) = \Lambda_2(u \otimes x^2, u' \otimes 1) = s_2 \partial.$$

Passing to the corresponding root vectors we conclude that  $L'_{(-1)} := L'_{(0)} + Fv_3 + Fv_4$  is  $L'_{(0)}$ -invariant, and  $[v_3, v_4] \equiv s_2 w'' \pmod{L'_{(-1)}}$ . It is also clear that

$$[w'', v_3] \equiv v_1, [w'', v_4] \equiv v_2 \pmod{L'_{(0)}}.$$

Moreover,  $V_0 + T''$  acts on  $L'_{(-1)}/L'_{(0)}$  as  $\mathfrak{gl}(2)$ . Thus  $L$  has a standard filtration

$$L = L'_{(-3)} \supset L'_{(-2)} \supset L'_{(-1)} \supset L'_{(0)} \supset \cdots \supset L'_{(s)} = (0),$$

with  $s > 4$  such that the associated graded algebra  $G'$  has the property that  $\bigoplus_{j \leq 0} G'_j \cong \bigoplus_{j \leq 0} \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_j$ , where the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  is the standard depth 3 grading. Since  $G$  satisfies (g3), [St 97, Theorem 3.38] shows that  $G' \cong \mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$  is a Melikian algebra with its standard depth 3 grading (see also [Ku 91]). Thus  $L$  is a depth 3 deformation of  $\mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$ . By [St 97, Theorem 4.14],  $L \cong \mathfrak{g}(n_1, n_2)$ . Since  $TR(L) = 2$ , Lemma 2.5 yields  $L \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  contradicting our choice of  $L$  and thereby completing the proof of the proposition. ■

#### 4. PROPERTIES OF $S$

In this section, we work with a fixed admissible triple  $(T, \mu, L_{(0)})$  and a chosen standard filtration

$$L = L_{(-s_1)} \supset \cdots \supset L_{(0)} \supset \cdots \supset L_{(s_2+1)} = (0).$$

We have established in Section 3 that the grading of  $G = \text{gr } L$  is nondegenerate in Weisfeiler's sense and the unique minimal ideal  $A(\overline{G})$  of  $\overline{G} = G/M(G)$  is simple (Proposition 3.5). More precisely, there is a graded simple Lie algebra  $S = \bigoplus_i S_i$  such that  $\text{ad } S \subset \overline{G} \subset \text{Der } S$  and  $A(\overline{G})_i =$

ad  $S_i$  for all  $i$ . As before, we identify  $S$  and  $\text{ad } S$  and endow  $\text{Der } S$  with a natural  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading induced by that of  $S$ . Since  $G_{-1}$  is an irreducible  $G_0$ -module (by (g1)) we derive that  $S_{-1}$  is  $(\text{Der}_0 S)$ -irreducible (for  $G_{-1} = A(\overline{G})_{-1}$ ). Since  $G$  satisfies (g2),  $S^- := \bigoplus_{i < 0} S_i$  is generated by  $S_{-1}$ .

We frequently use the notation introduced in Section 3, especially the homomorphism  $\Phi : \mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 S$ . The goal of this section is to show that the simple Lie algebra  $S$  is not listed in Theorem 1.1.

Let  $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $\overline{G}$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . It is straightforward that  $C(\overline{\mathcal{S}}) = (0)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$  is a minimal  $p$ -envelope of  $\overline{G}$  (see [St-F, Theorem 2.5.8]).

LEMMA 4.1. *The Lie algebras  $L_{(0)}$ ,  $[G_{-1}, G_1]$ ,  $G_0$  and  $\overline{G}_0$  are nonsolvable.*

*Proof.* If one of the exposed algebras is solvable, then so is  $[G_{-1}, G_1] \subset G_0$ . Since  $G_1 \neq (0)$ , Skryabin's result [Sk 97, Theorem 7.4] (which generalizes earlier work by Weisfeiler ([We 84]) and Kuznetsov ([Ku 76]) applies yielding  $L \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  or  $L \cong W(1; \underline{n})$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$  we must have  $L \cong W(1; \underline{2})$  (Lemma 2.5). This contradicts our choice of  $L$ .  
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LEMMA 4.2. 1.  $\dim \Phi(T) = 2$ .

2. *Let  $V$  be a composition factor of the  $\overline{G}$ -module  $M(G)^i/M(G)^{i+1}$  and let  $\rho : \overline{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$  be the corresponding representation. Then there exists a restricted representation  $\overline{\rho} : \overline{\mathcal{S}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$  whose restriction to  $\overline{G}$  coincides with  $\rho$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Let  $t \in T \cap \ker \Phi$ . Then  $[\Phi(t), \overline{G}_i] = (0)$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ; hence  $[t, L_{(i)}] \subset L_{(i+1)}$  for all  $i \geq -1$ . As  $L_{(-1)}$  generates  $L$  this gives  $t = 0$  (for  $\text{ad } t$  is semisimple). Hence  $\Phi(T) \cong T$  is 2-dimensional.

(2) Let  $\hat{G}$  and  $\hat{\overline{G}}$  be the universal  $p$ -envelopes of  $G$  and  $\overline{G}$ , respectively. The universal property of  $\hat{G}$  and  $\hat{\overline{G}}$  ensures that there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \hat{G} & \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} & \hat{\overline{G}} & \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} & \overline{\mathcal{S}} \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & \searrow \hat{\rho} & \\
 G & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \overline{G} & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \mathfrak{gl}(V),
 \end{array}$$

where  $\pi$  is the canonical homomorphism and all  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \hat{\rho}$  are restricted homomorphisms. Since  $\pi$  is surjective so is  $\sigma_1$ . Since  $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$  is a minimal  $p$ -envelope of  $\overline{G}$ ,  $\sigma_2$  is surjective. Let  $D \in \ker(\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1)$ . By definition,  $(\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1)(D)(S) = (0)$ . Since  $S_{-1} = A(\overline{G})_{-1} = \overline{G}_{-1}$ , this implies  $[D, G_{-1}] \subset M(G)$ . As  $M(G) \subset \sum_{i \leq -2} G_i$ , easy induction on  $i$  based on (g2), (g3) shows that  $[D, G_i] \subset \sum_{j < i} G_j$  for all  $i$ . Hence  $[D^{p^e}, G] = (0)$  for  $e \gg 0$ . This shows that  $\ker(\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1)$  acts  $p$ -nilpotently on  $G$ . As  $V$  is an irre-



ducible factor of the  $G$ -module  $G$  this implies  $(\hat{\rho} \circ \sigma_1)(\ker(\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1)) = (0)$ . As  $\bar{\mathcal{F}} \cong \bar{G}/\ker(\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1)$ ,  $\hat{\rho}$  induces a restricted representation  $\bar{\rho}: \bar{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$ , and this representation has the property that  $\bar{\rho}|_{\bar{G}} = \rho$ . ■

The next lemma starts our investigation of the structure of  $S$ .

LEMMA 4.3. 1.  $TR(S) = 2 = TR(\bar{\mathcal{F}})$ .

2. The  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$  contains  $\Phi(T)$ .

*Proof.* (1) By [St 89/1, Propositions 2.2, 2.3] and [Sk 98, Theorem 5.1] one has

$$0 \neq TR(S) \leq TR(\bar{G}) \leq TR(G) \leq TR(L) = 2.$$

Then

$$1 \leq TR(S) \leq TR(\bar{\mathcal{F}}) \leq TR(\bar{G}) \leq 2.$$

Suppose  $TR(S) = 1$ . Then  $S \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1}), H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}\}$  (by [P 94, Theorem 2]). By Lemma 4.2(1),  $S$  admits a 2-dimensional torus of derivations. Hence  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . The gradings of  $S$  are then ruled by [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4]. By Lemma 4.1,  $\bar{G}_0 \subset \text{Der}_0 S$  is nonsolvable. It follows that the grading of  $S$  is as in cases 2 or 3 of [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4]. Setting in [P-St 99, Theorem 3.5(3)]  $K = S$  one obtains that the parameter  $a_2$  of the grading (involved in [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4]) is positive. Keeping in mind that  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$  one deduces that  $S_{-2} = (0)$  and  $S_0 \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ . Let  $\bar{\delta}$  denote the degree derivation of the graded Lie algebra  $S$ . Setting in [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2), (3)]  $M = \text{Der } S$  we get  $\text{Der}_0 S = S_0 \oplus F\bar{\delta}$ . As  $[\bar{\delta}, \Phi(T)] = (0)$ , the torus  $\Phi(T) \subset \text{Der}_0 S$  contains  $\bar{\delta}$  (otherwise  $\text{Der } S$  would contain a 3-dimensional torus, contrary to [St-F]). Therefore,  $\Phi(\mathcal{L}_{(0)}) = S_0 \oplus F\bar{\delta}$  and there is a toral element  $h \in S_0$  such that  $\Phi(T) = Fh \oplus F\bar{\delta}$ .

We identify  $T$  and  $\Phi(T)$  (see Lemma 4.2). Let  $\alpha, \beta \in T^*$  be such that

$$\alpha(\bar{\delta}) = 0, \alpha(h) = 1, \beta(\bar{\delta}) = 1, \beta(h) = 0.$$

Then  $\bar{G}_0 = \bar{G}_0(\alpha)$ . As a consequence,

$$L_{(0)} = L_{(0)}(\alpha) + L_{(1)}. \quad (7)$$

Similarly,  $\bar{G}_{-1} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} \bar{G}_{-1, -\beta+i\alpha}$  and

$$L_{(-1)} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{(-1), -\beta+i\alpha} + L_{(0)}. \quad (8)$$

We claim that  $G_{-2}$  does not contain 1-dimensional  $G_0$ -submodules. Suppose the contrary. Recall that the image of  $H$  in  $G_0$  generates a 2-dimen-

sional torus in  $G_p$  (under the  $p$ th power map of  $G_p$ ). It follows that there are  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $\bar{v} \in G_{-2, \gamma} \setminus (0)$  such that  $[G_0^{(1)}, \bar{v}] = 0$ . It follows from Eq. (8) that  $G_{-2} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} G_{-2, -2\beta + i\alpha}$ . Observe that  $[G_{-2}, M(G)] \subset \sum_{i < -2} G_{-i}$ ; hence  $G_{-2} \cong (\sum_{i \leq -2} G_{-i}) / (\sum_{i < -2} G_{-i})$  is a  $\bar{G}_0$ -module. Now  $h \in S_0 = \bar{G}_0^{(1)}$ ; hence  $\gamma(h) = 0$  and therefore  $\gamma = -2\beta$ . Let  $v \in L_{(-2), -2\beta}$  be such that  $\text{gr}_{-2}(v) = \bar{v}$ . Since  $G_{-2} \subset M(G)$  we have that  $[G_{-2}, G_1] = 0$ . This forces

$$[v, L_{(1)}] \subset L_{(0)}. \quad (9)$$

By the choice of  $v$ ,

$$[L_{(0)}(\alpha), v] \subset Fv \oplus \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{(-1), -2\beta + i\alpha}.$$

However, Eq. (8) shows that  $L_{(-1), -2\beta + i\alpha} \subset L_{(0)}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . Thus  $[L_{(0)}(\alpha), v] \subset Fv \oplus L_{(0)}$ . Combining this inclusion with Eqs. (7) and (9) we derive that  $[L_{(0)}, v] \subset Fv \oplus L_{(0)}$ . Then  $Fv \oplus L_{(0)}$  is a proper  $T$ -invariant subalgebra of  $L$ , contrary to the maximality of  $L_{(0)}$ . Our claim follows.

Our next goal is to show that  $G_{-2} = (0)$ . First suppose  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . Then it follows from the description given in [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(3)] that  $\dim S_{-1} = 2$  (one should keep in mind that  $S_{-2} = (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$ ). Since  $G_{-1} = S_{-1}$  and  $G_{-2} = [G_{-1}, G_{-1}]$ , we have  $\dim G_{-2} \leq \dim \wedge^2 S_{-1} = 1$ . If  $G_{-2} \neq (0)$ , then  $G_{-2}$  is 1-dimensional. By the previous step, no such  $G_0$ -submodules exist. Thus  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  implies  $G_{-2} = (0)$ .

Now suppose  $S_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . As  $S_{-2} = (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$ , it follows from the description given in [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2)] that  $\text{Der}_{-1} S$  is a  $p$ -dimensional  $(\text{Der}_0 S)$ -module with  $(p - 1)$ -dimensional irreducible socle. Since  $S_{-1}$  is irreducible over  $\text{Der}_0 S$  it should coincide with the socle of  $\text{Der}_{-1} S$ . Since  $\text{Der}_0 S = S_0 \oplus F\bar{\delta}$ , the  $S_0$ -module  $S_{-1}$  is irreducible of dimension  $p - 1$ . By [Cha],  $S_{-1} \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules. By [Dem 70], one can find an isomorphism  $\nu : S_0 \rightarrow W(1; \underline{1})$  such that  $\nu(h) \in F^*x\partial \cup \{(1+x)\partial\}$ . Set  $\mathfrak{g} := \nu^{-1}(F\partial \oplus Fx\partial \oplus Fx^2\partial)$ . Obviously,  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  and  $h \in \mathfrak{g}$ . Since  $A(1; \underline{1})/F$  is  $\nu(\mathfrak{g})$ -irreducible,  $S_{-1}$  is an irreducible  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module.

Let  $V(i)$  denote the irreducible restricted  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module of dimension  $i + 1$ , where  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, p - 1\}$ . Then  $S_{-1} \cong V(p - 2)$ . Clearly,  $G_{-2} = [G_{-1}, G_{-1}]$  is a homomorphic image of the  $G_0$ -module  $G_{-1} \otimes G_{-1}$ . Now  $G_0$  contains an isomorphic copy of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $G_{-1} \cong S_{-1}$  as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules. So the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $G_{-2}$  is a homomorphic image of the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V(p - 2) \otimes V(p - 2)$ . In the course of the proof of [P-St 99, Proposition 7.7(3)] it was established that  $V(p - 2)$  is not a composition factor of  $V(p - 2) \otimes V(p - 2)$ . It follows that  $V(p - 2)$  is not a composition factor of the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $G_{-2}$ .

Let  $M := M(G)/M(G)^2$ . Then  $M = \bigoplus_{i \leq -2} M_i$  is a graded  $\overline{G}$ -module, and  $M_{-2} \cong G_{-2}$  as  $\overline{G}_0$ -modules. Suppose  $G_{-2} \neq (0)$ , and let  $W$  be an irreducible submodule of the  $\overline{G}_0$ -module  $M_{-2}$ . By the previous step,  $\dim W > 1$ . Recall that  $S_0 \subset \overline{G}_0 \subset S_0 \oplus F\overline{\delta}$ . From this it is immediate that  $W$  is  $S_0$ -irreducible. If  $W \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $S_0$ -modules, then  $W \cong V(p-2)$  as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules. By our preceding remark, this is impossible. Then by Chang's theorem [Cha],  $\dim W \geq p$ .

Using the description of  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  given in [B-W 88, Proposition 2.1.8] it is easy to see that any subalgebra of  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  containing  $\mathfrak{t} + H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ , where  $\mathfrak{t}$  is a 2-dimensional torus, is restricted. In particular,  $\Phi(T) + \overline{G}$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ . Let  $\tilde{W}$  denote the  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G})$ -submodule of  $M$  generated by  $W$ . It is immediate from Lemma 4.2(2) that  $\tilde{W}$  is a restricted  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G})$ -module. Also  $\tilde{W}$  is a graded submodule of the graded  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G})$ -module  $M$ . Note that  $\overline{G}_i \cdot W = (0)$  for any  $i > 0$  (because  $W \subset G_{-2} \subset M(G)$ ). As  $\overline{G}_{-1}$  is abelian and  $W$  is  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G}_0)$ -stable,  $\tilde{W} = U(\overline{G}_{-1}) \cdot W$ . Let  $\tilde{W}_- := \sum_{i < -2} \tilde{W}_i$ . Any submodule of  $\tilde{W}$  not contained in  $\tilde{W}_-$  coincides with  $\tilde{W}$  (this follows from the fact that  $W$  is  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G}_0)$ -irreducible and  $\overline{G}_{-1}$  acts nilpotently on  $\tilde{W}$ ). As a consequence,  $\tilde{W}$  contains a unique maximal submodule  $\tilde{W}_{\max}$ . Moreover  $\tilde{W}_{\max}$  is a graded subspace of  $\tilde{W}$  contained in  $\tilde{W}_-$ . Let  $V := \tilde{W}/\tilde{W}_{\max}$ . Then  $V = \bigoplus_{i \leq -2} V_i$  is a composition factor of  $M$  and  $V_{-2} \cong W$  as  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G}_0)$ -modules.

As  $\dim W > 1$  and  $W$  is  $S_0$ -irreducible, the ideal  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  acts nontrivially on  $V$ . As  $C_L(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ , all  $\Phi(T)$ -weights of  $V$  are nonzero. According to [P-St 99, Theorem 3.1], the  $(\Phi(T) + \overline{G})$ -module  $V$  is then isomorphic to

$$A(2; \underline{1})'/F = \text{span}\{x_1^i x_2^j \mid i, j \leq p-1, (i, j) \neq (p-1, p-1)\}/F$$

or its dual ( $A(2; \underline{1})'/F$  carries a  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ -module structure induced by an embedding  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \hookrightarrow W(2; \underline{1})$ ). When restricted to  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ , both  $A(2; \underline{1})'/F$  and  $(A(2; \underline{1})'/F)^*$  are isomorphic to the adjoint module  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  (see, e.g., [P-St 99, Theorem 3.1]). It follows that  $V \cong S$  as  $S$ -modules. In particular,  $\dim(\text{ann}_V S^+) = \dim C_S(S^+)$ , where  $S^+ = \bigoplus_{i > 0} S_i$ . Using [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2)], it is easy to see that  $S_{p-2}$  is a  $(p-1)$ -dimensional irreducible  $S_0$ -module and  $S_k = (0)$  for  $k \geq p-1$ . The simplicity of  $S$  yields the equality  $C_S(S^+) = S_{p-2}$ . Therefore,  $\text{ann}_V S^+$  is  $(p-1)$ -dimensional. On the other hand,  $V_{-2} \subset \text{ann}_V(S^+)$  and  $V_{-2} \cong W$  as  $S_0$ -modules. Since  $\dim W \geq p$  this is impossible. So  $G_{-2} = (0)$  in all cases.

Thus  $L = L_{(-1)}$ . Let  $t \in H_p$  be such that  $\Phi(t) = h$ . Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ . First suppose that  $\{\pm \gamma\} \cap (-\beta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha) = \emptyset$ . Then  $L_{\pm \gamma} \subset L_{(0)}$  (see Eq. (8)). Properties of  $G = \text{gr } L$  ensure that  $[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \subset L_{(0)}^{(1)} \cap H \subset Ft +$

$\text{nil } H_p$ . Now suppose that  $\gamma \in -\beta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ . Then  $-\gamma \notin \Gamma(G_{-1}, T) \cup \Gamma(G_0, T)$ , whence  $L_{-\gamma} \subset L_{(1)}$ . Once again properties of  $G$  ensure that  $[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \subset Ft + \text{nil } H_p$ . It follows that  $[L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \subset Ft + \text{nil } H_p$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ . But then  $H \subset Ft + \text{nil } H_p$ , whence  $\beta(H) = 0$ . This contradicts Lemma 2.1 thereby proving (1).

(2) Let  $\mathcal{S}$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $S$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . Then  $\mathcal{S}$  is a restricted ideal of  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$ . Since  $TR(\overline{\mathcal{G}}) = 2$  and  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$  is semisimple,  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$  does not contain tori of dimension  $\geq 3$ . As  $TR(S) = 2$ ,  $\mathcal{S}$  contains a 2-dimensional torus. From this it is immediate that the quotient algebra  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}/\mathcal{S}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent. It follows from Lemma 4.2(1) that  $\Phi(T) \subset \overline{\mathcal{G}}$  is 2-dimensional. As  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}/\mathcal{S}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent, the image of  $\Phi(T)$  under the canonical homomorphism  $\overline{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{G}}/\mathcal{S}$  is zero. In other words,  $\Phi(T) \subset \mathcal{S}$ . Now  $\mathcal{S} = \bigoplus_i \mathcal{S}_i$  is a graded subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ , and

$$\mathcal{S} = \sum_{i \neq 0} \sum_{j \geq 0} S_i^{p^j} + \sum_{j \geq 0} S_0^{p^j}$$

(by Jacobson’s formula). Clearly,  $S_i^{p^j} \subset \mathcal{S}_{ip^j}$  for all  $i, j$ . Comparing degrees now shows that  $\mathcal{S}_0$  coincides with the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\mathcal{S}$ . Since  $\Phi(T) \subset \mathcal{S}_0$ , the second assertion follows. ■

LEMMA 4.4. *S is not isomorphic to a classical Lie algebra.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $S$  is a classical Lie algebra. By Lemma 4.3(1),  $TR(S) = 2$ . Let  $\mathbf{G}$  be a simple algebraic group such that  $S \cong \text{Lie } \mathbf{G}/\mathfrak{z}$ , where  $\mathfrak{z}$  is the center of  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{G}$ . Since  $p > 3$  it follows from [Ho] (for example) that  $\dim \mathfrak{z} \leq 1$ . Hence  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{G}$  has no tori of dimension  $> 3$ . Clearly, this implies that  $\mathbf{G}$  has rank  $\leq 3$ . Again applying [Ho] we obtain  $\mathfrak{z} = (0)$ . As a consequence,  $\mathbf{G}$  is a group of rank 2, i.e., has type  $A_2, C_2$ , or  $G_2$ . In each of these cases, the Killing form of  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{G} \cong S$  is nondegenerate (because  $p > 3$ ). Therefore,  $\text{Der } S = \text{ad } S$  yielding  $S = \overline{G}$ .

Since  $T$  is nonrigid,  $L$  contains a nonzero  $T$ -homogeneous sandwich  $c$ . In view of [P-St 97, Theorem 6.3, Lemma 6.1],  $c \in L_{(1)}$ . Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $c \in L_{(d)}$  and  $c \notin L_{(d+1)}$ . Put  $\text{gr}(c) := c + L_{(d+1)}$ . Then  $\text{gr}(c)$  is a nonzero element of  $G_d = \text{gr}_d(L)$ . For every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $[c, [c, L_{(k)}]] = (0) \subset L_{(k+2d+1)}$ . Therefore,  $[\text{gr}(c), [\text{gr}(c), G_k]] = (0)$ . In other words,  $\text{gr}(c)$  is a nonzero sandwich of  $G$ . Let  $\bar{c}$  denote the image of  $\text{gr}(c)$  in  $\overline{G} = S$ . Since  $d > 0$  and  $M(G) \subset \sum_{j \leq -2} G_j$ , we have that  $\bar{c} \neq 0$ . Obviously,  $(\text{ad } \bar{c})^2 = 0$ . So  $\bar{c}$  is a sandwich of  $S$ . But then

$$(\text{ad } \bar{c}) \circ (\text{ad } x) \circ (\text{ad } \bar{c}) = 0$$

for every  $x \in S$  forcing  $((\text{ad } \bar{c}) \circ (\text{ad } x))^2 = 0$ . So  $\bar{c}$  lies in the radical of the Killing form of  $S$ . Since the Killing form of  $S$  is nondegenerate,  $\bar{c} = 0$ . This contradiction proves the lemma. ■

Next we are going to show that

$$S \not\cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}, H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}, K(3; \underline{1}).$$

Each of these cases is quite involved and requires detailed information on gradings and representations of the respective Cartan type Lie algebras. The relation

$$x^a = a_1! \cdots a_n! x^{(a)}, 0 \leq a_i \leq p - 1,$$

links our present truncated-polynomial notation with the divided-power notation used in [St-F].

We recall (very briefly) the description of contact Lie algebras. Since  $6 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  the Lie algebra  $K(3; \underline{1})$  is simple and  $\text{Der } K(3; \underline{1}) \cong K(3; \underline{1})$  (see [St-F, (4.5.5), (4.8.8)]). Recall that  $K(3; \underline{1})$  is the image of  $A(3; \underline{1})$  under the linear isomorphism  $D_K : A(3; \underline{1}) \rightarrow K(3; \underline{1})$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} D_K(x^a) = & (a_3 x_1^{a_1+1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3-1} - a_2 x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2-1} x_3^{a_3}) \partial_1 \\ & + (a_3 x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2+1} x_3^{a_3-1} + a_1 x_1^{a_1-1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}) \partial_2 + (2 - a_1 - a_2) x^a \partial_3 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$  with  $0 \leq a_i \leq p - 1$ . Using [St 97, p. 95] it is easy to deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & [D_K(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}), D_K(x_1^{b_1} x_2^{b_2} x_3^{b_3})] \\ & = (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) D_K(x_1^{a_1+b_1-1} x_2^{a_2+b_2-1} x_3^{a_3+b_3}) \\ & \quad + (a_3(b_1 + b_2 - 2) - b_3(a_1 + a_2 - 2)) \\ & \quad \times D_K(x_1^{a_1+b_1} x_2^{a_2+b_2} x_3^{a_3+b_3-1}). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

**PROPOSITION 4.5.** *Let  $M$  be one of the restricted Cartan type Lie algebras  $S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ ,  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ ,  $K(3; \underline{1})$ ,  $\mathfrak{t}$  a 2-dimensional torus of  $M$ , and  $W$  a nonzero restricted  $M$ -module. Then  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ .*

*Proof.* (a) Our arguments rely on the following (well-known) commutator formula valid in an arbitrary associative algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  over  $F$ :

if  $z, x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} z x_1^{s_1} \cdots x_n^{s_n} = & \sum_{0 \leq k_i \leq s_i} \binom{s_1}{k_1} \cdots \binom{s_n}{k_n} x_1^{s_1-k_1} \cdots x_n^{s_n-k_n} \\ & \times [\cdots [ \cdots [z, x_1] \cdots x_1] \cdots x_n] \cdots x_n \end{aligned}$$

$k_1$   $k_n$

(see [St-F, Lemma 5.7.1]).

(b) Let  $M_{(k)}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard filtration of  $M$ . In proving the proposition we may (and will) assume that the  $M$ -module  $W$  is irreducible. Let  $W_0$  be an irreducible  $M_{(0)}$ -submodule of  $W$ . Since  $M_{(1)}$  is a  $p$ -nilpotent ideal of  $M_{(0)}$ , it annihilates  $W_0$ . There is an  $M$ -module homomorphism

$$\Psi : u(M) \otimes_{u(M_{(0)})} W_0 \rightarrow W$$

such that  $\Psi(1 \otimes w) = w$  for any  $w \in W_0$ . Due to the irreducibility of  $W$ ,  $\Psi$  is surjective. By [Dem 70], [Dem 72],  $M$  has no tori of dimension  $> 2$ . As  $M$  is restricted it follows from [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11] that in proving the proposition we may assume that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{t} &= F(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \oplus F(x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3) && \text{if } M = S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}, \\ \mathfrak{t} &= FD_H(x_1 x_3) \oplus FD_H(x_2 x_4) && \text{if } M = H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}, \\ \mathfrak{t} &= FD_K(x_1 x_2) \oplus FD_K(x_3) && \text{if } M = K(3; \underline{1}) \end{aligned}$$

(we use the standard realization of  $M$  described, e.g., in [St-F, Sect. 4]). Set  $\tilde{W} := u(M) \otimes_{u(M_{(0)})} W_0$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{t} \subset M_{(0)}$ ,  $W_0$  is a restricted  $\mathfrak{t}$ -module, in particular  $\gamma(t) \in \mathbb{F}_p$  holds for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma^w(W_0, \mathfrak{t})$  and all toral elements  $t \in \mathfrak{t}$ . Let  $w \in W_{0, \gamma}$  be an arbitrary  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weight vector of weight  $\gamma$ .

(c) Suppose  $M = S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Then  $M = M_{(0)} \oplus F\partial_1 \oplus F\partial_2 \oplus F\partial_3$ . Choose  $j, k \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $\gamma(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \equiv -j$  and  $\gamma(x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3) \equiv j - k \pmod{p}$ . Then  $\tilde{w} := \partial_2^j \partial_3^k \otimes w \in \text{ann}_{\tilde{W}} \mathfrak{t}$ . If  $\tilde{w} \notin \ker \Psi$ , then  $\text{ann}_{\tilde{W}} \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ . So assume that  $\tilde{w} \in \ker \Psi$ . Then

$$\partial_2^{p-1} \partial_3^{p-1} \otimes w \in \ker \Psi$$

as well. Using (a) and the fact that

$$[D_{i,j}(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}), \partial_k] = -D_{i,j}(\partial_k(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}))$$

for all admissible  $i, j, k$ , and  $a_1, a_2, a_3$ , one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} &D_{1,2}(x_1^2 x_2^{p-1} x_3^{p-1}) \partial_2^{p-1} \partial_3^{p-1} \\ &= D_{1,2}(x_1^2) + \sum_{i_2+i_3>0} \lambda_{i_2, i_3} \partial_2^{i_2} \partial_3^{i_3} D_{1,2}(x_1^2 x_2^{i_2} x_3^{i_3}). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M_{(1)} \cdot w = (0)$  (see (b)) we get

$$\ker \Psi \ni D_{1,2}(x_1^2 x_2^{p-1} x_3^{p-1}) \cdot (\partial_2^{p-1} \partial_3^{p-1} \otimes w) = 1 \otimes D_{1,2}(x_1^2) \cdot w.$$

This means that  $D_{1,2}(x_1^2) \cdot w = 0$ . As  $W_0$  is a semisimple  $\mathfrak{t}$ -module and  $w$  is an arbitrary weight vector of  $W_0$ ,  $D_{1,2}(x_1^2)$  annihilates  $W_0$ . Since  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  is a simple Lie algebra, we derive  $M_{(0)} \cdot W_0 = (0)$ . But then  $W_0 \subset \text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}$ .

(d) Suppose  $M = H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Then  $M = M_{(0)} \oplus \sum_{i=1}^4 F\partial_i$ . As in the former case there are  $j, k \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $\partial_1^j \partial_2^k \otimes w \in \text{ann}_{\bar{W}} \mathfrak{t}$ , and we may assume that  $\partial_1^{p-1} \partial_2^{p-1} \otimes w \in \ker \Psi$ . Using (a), the equality  $M_{(1)} \cdot w = (0)$ , and the fact that

$$[D_H(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}), \partial_k] = -D_H(\partial_k(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3})),$$

one obtains

$$\ker \Psi \ni D_H(x_1^{p-1} x_2^{p-1} x_3^2) \cdot (\partial_1^{p-1} \partial_2^{p-1} \otimes w) = 1 \otimes D_H(x_3^2) \cdot w.$$

Then  $D_H(x_3^2) \cdot w = 0$ . As  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sp}(4)$  is a simple Lie algebra and  $w$  is an arbitrary weight vector of  $W_0$ , we derive  $M_{(0)} \cdot W_0 = (0)$ . In particular,  $W_0 \subset \text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}$ .

(e) Suppose  $M \cong K(3; \underline{1})$ . Then  $M = M_{(0)} \oplus FD_K(x_1) \oplus FD_K(x_2) \oplus FD_K(1)$ . Note that  $D_K(x_1)$  and  $D_K(1)$  are root vectors relative to  $\mathfrak{t}$ . Moreover, the corresponding roots span  $\mathfrak{t}^*$ . As before there are  $j, k \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $D_K(1)^j D_K(x_1)^k \otimes w \in \text{ann}_{\bar{W}} \mathfrak{t}$ . Since  $[D_K(1), D_K(x_1)] = 0$ , reasoning as in (c) shows that no generality is lost by assuming

$$D_K(1)^{p-1} D_K(x_1)^{p-1} \otimes w \in \ker \Psi.$$

It follows from Eq. (10) that

$$[D_K(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}), D_K(1)] = -2a_3 D_K(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3-1})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & [D_K(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3}), D_K(x_1)] \\ &= -a_2 D_K(x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2-1} x_3^{a_3}) - a_3 D_K(x_1^{a_1+1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Combining these relations with the commutator formula in (a) we obtain that

$$D_K(x_1^2 x_2^{p-1} x_3^{p-1}) \cdot D_K(1)^{p-1} D_K(x_1)^{p-1} \otimes w - 1 \otimes (D_K(x_1^2) \cdot w)$$

lies in  $\sum_{i+j>0} D_K(1)^i D_K(x_1)^j \otimes M_{(1)} \cdot w = (0)$ . So  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} = (0)$  implies  $D_K(x_1^2) \cdot w = 0$  for any weight vector  $w \in W_0$ . Now  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  and the image of  $D_K(x_1^2)$  in  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)}$  is noncentral. In other words, we may assume (without loss of generality) that  $M_{(0)}^{(1)} + M_{(1)}$  annihilates  $W_0$ . As a

consequence,  $D_K(x_1x_2) \cdot W_0 = (0)$ . As  $[D_K(x_1x_2), D_K(1)] = 0$  and  $[D_K(x_3), D_K(1)] = -2D_K(1)$ , there is  $s \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $D_K(1)^s \otimes w \in \text{ann}_{\bar{w}} \mathfrak{t}$ . Now  $[D_K(x_1x_3^s), D_K(1)] = -2sD_K(x_1x_3^{s-1})$ ; hence

$$D_K(x_1x_3^s) \cdot (D_K(1)^s \otimes w) - (-2)^s s! D_K(x_1) \otimes w \in \sum_{0 < i < s} D_K(1)^i \otimes M_{(1)} \cdot w = (0).$$

So  $D_K(x_1)$  annihilates  $W_0$ . But then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [D_K(x_1), D_K(x_2x_3)] \cdot w = D_K(x_3) \cdot w + D_K(x_1x_2) \cdot w \\ &= D_K(x_3) \cdot w. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\text{ann}_{\bar{w}} \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ . ■

LEMMA 4.6. *Suppose  $S$  is one of the restricted Cartan type Lie algebras  $S(3; \underline{1}^{(1)})$ ,  $H(4; \underline{1}^{(1)})$ ,  $K(3; \underline{1})$ . Then  $M(G) = (0)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $M(G) \neq (0)$  and let  $V$  be a composition factor of the (nonzero)  $\bar{G}$ -module  $M(G)/M(G)^2$ . By Lemma 4.2(2),  $V$  is a restricted  $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$ -module. Since  $(\text{ad } S)_p \subset \text{ad } S$  we regard  $S$  as a restricted subalgebra of  $\bar{\mathcal{G}} \subset \text{Der } S$ . Then  $V$  is a restricted  $S$ -module. Because  $S$  is restricted the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$  is contained in  $S$ ; hence  $\Phi(T)$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $S$  (Lemma 4.3(2)). But then Proposition 4.5 yields  $\text{ann}_V \Phi(T) \neq (0)$  contradicting the inclusion  $C_L(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ . ■

In what follows we need detailed information on  $\mathbb{Z}$ -gradings of Cartan type Lie algebras. Let  $\mathfrak{g} = X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$ , where  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$ , and  $\mathbf{H} = \text{Aut } \mathfrak{g}$ . By [Hu], Lie  $\mathbf{H}$  is canonically identified with a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ . Any automorphism of  $\mathfrak{g}$  preserves the standard maximal subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . More precisely, it is proved in [Kr] (see also [St 97, Theorem 3.20]) that for  $p > 3$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$  is the only proper subalgebra of minimal codimension in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . It follows that Lie  $\mathbf{H}$  preserves  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ ; that is, Lie  $\mathbf{H}$  can be identified with a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der}_{(0)} \mathfrak{g}$ . Using [St 97, Corollary 3.23] it is readily seen that  $\text{Der}_{(0)} \mathfrak{g}$  coincides with  $Ft_0 \oplus X(m; \underline{n})_{(0)}$ , where  $t_0 = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i D_i$  if  $X \in \{S, H\}$  and  $t_0 = 0$  otherwise. By [St 97, Corollary 3.24],  $X(m; \underline{n})_{(0)}$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ . Set

$$T_X := X(m; \underline{n}) \cap \left( \sum_{i=1}^m Fx_i D_i \right) \text{ if } X \in \{W, S, H\},$$

and

$$T_K := \sum_{i=1}^r FD_K(x_i x_{i+r}) + FD_K(x_m), \quad m = 2r + 1.$$



Using our preceding remark it is not hard to observe that  $Ft_0 \oplus T_X$  is a torus of maximal dimension in  $\text{Der}_{(0)} \mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $d(\mathfrak{g}) = \dim(Ft_0 \oplus T_X)$ , where  $X = X(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then  $d(\mathfrak{g}) = m$  if  $X \in \{W, S\}$ ,  $d(\mathfrak{g}) = r + 1$  if  $X = H$  and  $m = 2r$ , or if  $X = K$  and  $m = 2r + 1$ .

Given  $\underline{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_m) \in (F^*)^m$  define the continuous automorphism  $\lambda(\underline{t})$  of the linearly compact Lie algebra  $W((m))$  by setting

$$\lambda(\underline{t})(x_1^{(s_1)} \cdots x_m^{(s_m)} D_k) = (t_1^{s_1} \cdots t_m^{s_m} t_k^{-1}) x_1^{(s_1)} \cdots x_m^{(s_m)} D_k$$

for all  $s_i \geq 0$  and all  $1 \leq i, k \leq m$  (the notation here is standard, see [St 97, Sect. 2] for more detail). We say that  $\underline{t}$  is *X-admissible* if

$$\begin{aligned} t_1 t_{r+1} = \cdots = t_r t_{2r} & \quad \text{when } X = H \text{ and } m = 2r, \\ t_1 t_{r+1} = \cdots = t_r t_{2r} = t_{2r+1} & \quad \text{when } X = K \text{ and } m = 2r + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Any  $\underline{t} \in (F^*)^m$  is *X-admissible* when  $X \in \{W, S\}$ . For  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$ , set

$$\mathbf{T}_X := \{ \lambda(\underline{t}) \mid \underline{t} \in (F^*)^m \text{ is } X\text{-admissible} \}.$$

By construction,  $\mathbf{T}_X$  preserves both  $X(m; \underline{n}) = X((m)) \cap W(m; \underline{n})$  and  $\mathfrak{g} = X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$ . By [St 97, Theorem 3.21] it can be viewed as an algebraic torus in  $\text{Aut } W(m; \underline{n})$ . It is clear from the definition that  $\dim \mathbf{T}_X = d(X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)})$ . Let  $\epsilon_i$  denote the rational character of  $\mathbf{T}_X$  given by  $\epsilon_i(\lambda(\underline{t})) = t_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ). Note that  $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_{r+1} = \cdots = \epsilon_r + \epsilon_{2r}$  if  $X = H$ ,  $m = 2r$ , and  $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_{r+1} = \cdots = \epsilon_r + \epsilon_{2r} = \epsilon_{2r+1}$  if  $X = K$ ,  $m = 2r + 1$ .

Restricting automorphisms from  $\mathbf{T}_X$  to  $\mathfrak{g} = X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$  one obtains a rational homomorphism  $\mathbf{T}_X \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$ . Now  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_m \in X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$  are weight vectors for  $\mathbf{T}_X$  when  $X \neq K$ , and  $D_K(x_1), \dots, D_K(x_{2r}), D_K(1) \in K(m; \underline{n})^{(1)}$  are weight vectors for  $\mathbf{T}_K$ . Moreover, in both cases the corresponding weights generate the whole lattice of rational characters of  $\mathbf{T}_X$ . As a consequence, the homomorphism  $\mathbf{T}_X \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$  is injective. So we may (and will) identify  $\mathbf{T}_X$  with a  $d(\mathfrak{g})$ -dimensional algebraic torus in  $\mathbf{H}$ . Since  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{T}_X$  is a  $d(\mathfrak{g})$ -dimensional torus of  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{H}$  (see, e.g., [Hu]) the above discussion shows that  $\mathbf{T}_X$  is a maximal torus of the algebraic group  $\mathbf{H}$ . (One can show that  $\text{Lie } \mathbf{T}_X = T_X$ , but we do not require this here.)

We now fix a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading

$$\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i, \quad [\mathfrak{g}_i, \mathfrak{g}_j] \subset \mathfrak{g}_{i+j}$$

of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . For  $t \in F^*$ , define  $\Lambda(t) \in \mathbf{H}$  by setting  $\Lambda(t)(v_i) = t^i v_i$  for all  $v_i \in \mathfrak{g}_i$  and  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Clearly,  $\Lambda := \{ \Lambda(t) \mid t \in F^* \}$  is a 1-dimensional algebraic torus in  $\mathbf{H}$ . By [Hu] (for example), there is  $g \in \mathbf{H}$  such that

$g\Lambda g^{-1} \subset \mathbf{T}_X$ . Set  $\Lambda_g := g\Lambda g^{-1}$ . There exist  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\epsilon_i(\Lambda_g(t)) = t^{a_i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ . It is readily seen that

$$\Lambda_g(t)(x_1^{(s_1)} \cdots x_m^{(s_m)} D_k) = (t^{a_1 s_1 + \cdots + s_m a_m - a_k}) x_1^{(s_1)} \cdots x_m^{(s_m)} D_k,$$

for all  $s_i \geq 0$  and all  $1 \leq i, k \leq m$  (we identify  $\mathbf{T}_X$  with its image in  $\mathbf{H}$ ).

By [St 97, Theorem 3.21], there is a continuous automorphism  $\sigma$  of the divided power algebra  $A((m))$  which stabilizes  $A(m; \underline{n})$  and has the property that

$$\sigma^{-1} \circ D \circ \sigma = g(D) \text{ for any } D \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

Set  $u_i := \sigma(x_i)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , and define  $D_i^{(u)} \in W((m))$  by setting

$$D_i^{(u)} := \sigma \circ D_i \circ \sigma^{-1} \quad 1 \leq i \leq m.$$

For  $f \in A((m))$  and  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq m$ , define

$$D_{i,j}^{(u)}(f) = D_i^{(u)}(f) D_j^{(u)} - D_j^{(u)}(f) D_i^{(u)}$$

and

$$D_H^{(u)}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^r (D_i^{(u)}(f) D_{i+r}^{(u)} - D_{r+i}^{(u)}(f) D_i^{(u)}), \quad m = 2r.$$

Given  $(s) = (s_1, \dots, s_m)$  with  $s_i \geq 0$  put  $u^{(s)} := u_1^{(s_1)} \cdots u_m^{(s_m)}$ . For  $m = 2r + 1$ , define

$$\begin{aligned} D_K^{(u)}(u^{(s)}) &= \sum_{i=1}^r (D_{2r+1}^{(u)}(u_{r+i} u^{(s)}) + D_i^{(u)}(u^{(s)})) D_{r+i}^{(u)} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^r (D_{2r+1}^{(u)}(u_i u^{(s)}) - D_{r+i}^{(u)}(u^{(s)})) D_i^{(u)} \\ &\quad + \left( 2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2r} s_i \right) u^{(s)} D_{2r+1}^{(u)}. \end{aligned}$$

Straightforward calculations show that

$$\sigma \circ D_{i,j}(x^{(s)}) \circ \sigma^{-1} = D_{i,j}^{(u)}(u^{(s)})$$

and

$$\Lambda(t)(D_{i,j}^{(u)}(u^{(s)})) = t^{s_1 a_1 + \cdots + s_m a_m - a_i - a_j} D_{i,j}^{(u)}(u^{(s)}) \tag{11}$$

if  $X = S$ ;

$$\sigma \circ D_H(x^{(s)}) \circ \sigma^{-1} = D_H^{(u)}(u^{(s)})$$

and

$$\Lambda(t)(D_H^{(u)}(u^{(s)})) = t^{s_1 a_1 + \cdots + s_m a_m - a_1 - a_{r+1}} D_H^{(u)}(u^{(s)}) \quad (12)$$

if  $X = H$ ;

$$\sigma \circ D_K(x^{(s)}) \circ \sigma^{-1} = D_K^{(u)}(u^{(s)})$$

and

$$\Lambda(t)(D_K^{(u)}(u^{(s)})) = t^{s_1 a_1 + \cdots + s_m a_m - a_m} D_K^{(u)}(u^{(s)}) \quad (13)$$

if  $X = K$ . We mention for completeness that  $W(m; \underline{n})$  is spanned by  $u^{(s)} D_j^{(u)}$ , where  $0 \leq s_i \leq p^{n_i} - 1$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ , and

$$\Lambda(t)(u^{(s)} D_j^{(u)}) = t^{s_1 a_1 + \cdots + s_m a_m - a_j} u^{(s)} D_j^{(u)}. \quad (14)$$

The grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  defined by formulas (11)–(14) is called the *grading of type*  $(a_1, \dots, a_m)$  with respect to the generating set  $u_1, \dots, u_m \in A(m; \underline{n})_{(1)}$ .

It is clear from the above description of  $D_{i,j}^{(u)}$ ,  $D_H^{(u)}$ ,  $D_K^{(u)}$  that in our further deliberations we may suppress  $\sigma$  by setting  $u = x$ .

We summarize as follows.

**THEOREM 4.7.** *Let  $\mathfrak{g} = X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$ , where  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$ . For any  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  there are a continuous automorphism  $\sigma$  of the divided power algebra  $A((m))$  satisfying  $\sigma(A(m; \underline{n})) = A(m; \underline{n})$  and  $\sigma \circ \mathfrak{g} \circ \sigma^{-1} = \mathfrak{g}$ , and  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  has type  $(a_1, \dots, a_m)$  with respect to the generating set  $\sigma(x_1), \dots, \sigma(x_m)$ .*

*If  $X = H$  and  $m = 2r$ , then  $a_1 + a_{r+1} = \cdots = a_r + a_{2r}$ . If  $X = K$  and  $m = 2r + 1$ , then  $a_1 + a_{r+1} = \cdots = a_r + a_{2r} = a_{2r+1}$ .*

Recall that any  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of a Lie algebra induces a natural  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of its derivation algebra. Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Cartan type Lie algebra and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  a subalgebra of  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$  containing  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Suppose in addition that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded. Let  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\langle i \rangle}$  denote the  $i$ th graded component of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ . It is immediate from [St 97, Corollary 3.23] that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{(3)} = \mathfrak{g}$ . This means that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a graded subalgebra of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ ; i.e.,  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_i \mathfrak{g}_i$ , where  $\mathfrak{g}_i := \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\langle i \rangle} \cap \mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $D \in \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\langle i \rangle}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $D(\mathfrak{g}_k) = [D, \mathfrak{g}_k] \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\langle i+k \rangle} \cap \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_{i+k}$ . In other words,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\langle i \rangle} \subset \text{Der}_i \mathfrak{g}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ; that is,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a graded subalgebra of the graded Lie algebra  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_i \text{Der}_i \mathfrak{g}$ . Together with Theorem 4.7 this yields

**PROPOSITION 4.8.** *Let  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded Lie algebra such that  $\mathfrak{g} \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}} \subset \text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ , where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is as in Theorem 4.7. Then there is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  of type  $(a_1, \dots, a_m)$  with respect to a generating set  $u_1, \dots, u_m \in A(m; \underline{n})_{(1)}$  such that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a graded subalgebra of  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ , where the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$  is induced by that of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .*

Now we are going to apply Theorem 4.7 and Proposition 4.8 to  $S$  and  $G$ .

LEMMA 4.9.  $S \cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $S \cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . By Lemma 4.6,  $G$  can be identified with a subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$  containing  $S$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $G = \bigoplus_i G_i$  is a graded subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S = \bigoplus_i \text{Der}_i S$ , where the grading of  $\text{Der } S$  is induced by that of  $S$ . According to Theorem 4.7, the grading of  $S$  has type  $(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  for some  $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and some generating set  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in A(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}$ . To simplify notation we assume (without loss of generality) that  $u_i = x_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ .

Since  $S$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ , so is  $S_0$ . Then  $\Phi(T) \cong T$  is a 2-dimensional torus of  $S$  contained in  $S_0$  (Lemma 4.3). Let  $\mathfrak{t} = F(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) \oplus F(x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3)$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  also is a 2-dimensional torus of  $S$  contained in  $S_0$ . Define  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  by setting

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) &= 1, \alpha(x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3) = 0; \\ \beta(x_1 \partial_1 - x_2 \partial_2) &= 0, \beta(x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3) = 1.\end{aligned}$$

Since  $S_0$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ ,  $\Phi^{-1}(S_0)$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$ . There is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  which maps onto  $\mathfrak{t}$  under the natural epimorphism  $\Phi^{-1}(S_0) \rightarrow S_0$ . In what follows we identify this torus with  $\mathfrak{t}$  and view the root system  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})$  as a subset of  $\mathbb{F}_p \alpha + \mathbb{F}_p \beta$ . Since  $H \subset L_{(0)}$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)] shows that  $C_S(\mathfrak{t}) \subset \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_i$ . As  $D_{1,2}(x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3) \in C_S(\mathfrak{t}) \cap S_{a_1 + a_2 + a_3}$ ,

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 \geq 0$$

holds.

By [St 97, Corollary 3.23(2)],  $\text{Der } S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)} = CS(3; \underline{1}) \subset W(3; \underline{1})$ . Let  $W(3; \underline{1})_{\langle k \rangle}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard grading of  $W(3; \underline{1})$  (this grading has type  $(1, 1, 1)$  with respect to  $x_1, x_2, x_3$ ). Let  $\text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S := (\text{Der } S) \cap W(3; \underline{1})_{\langle k \rangle}$ . Observe that every  $D_{k,i}(x_1^{b_1} x_2^{b_2} x_3^{b_3})$  is homogeneous with respect to both the  $(a_1, a_2, a_3)$ -grading and the  $(1, 1, 1)$ -grading. Therefore,

$$G = \bigoplus_{i, k \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i \cap \text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S.$$

(b) Suppose  $a_1 a_2 a_3 \neq 0$ . Then  $\partial_i \notin G_0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ ; hence  $G_0 \cap \text{Der}_{\langle -1 \rangle} S = (0)$ . Combining this with [St 97, Corollary 3.23(2)] we get  $G_0 \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} \text{Der}_{\langle i \rangle} S$ . There is  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle} \neq (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle k \rangle} = (0)$  for  $k > j$ . Recall that  $S_{-1} = G_{-1}$  is an irreducible and faithful  $G_0$ -module. As  $G_0 \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} \text{Der}_{\langle i \rangle} S$ , the subspace  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle}$  is a  $G_0$ -submodule of  $G_{-1}$ . Therefore,  $G_{-1} = S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle}$ .

Suppose  $j \geq 0$ . By property (g2) of the grading,  $\bigoplus_{i < 0} G_i \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_{\langle i \rangle}$ . Hence  $\partial_k \in S_{\langle -1 \rangle} \cap S_{-a_k} \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} G_i$ , and  $-a_k \geq 0$  for any  $k \leq 3$ . Since  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 \geq 0$  and  $a_1 a_2 a_3 \neq 0$ , this is impossible. But then  $j < 0$ ; i.e.,  $j = -1$  (since  $S_{\langle k \rangle} = (0)$  for  $k < -1$ ).

Note that  $S_{-k} = (S_{-1})^k \subset (S_{\langle -1 \rangle})^k = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$  and  $D_{m,n}(x_m^k x_n) \in S_{(k-1)a_m} \neq (0)$  whenever  $m \neq n, k = 2, 3$ . Since our grading has only one component of negative degree we therefore have  $a_m > 0$  for all  $m$ . As  $\partial_m \in S_{-a_m}$  and  $-a_m < 0$  we deduce  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 1$ . In other words,  $S_k = S_{\langle k \rangle}$  for all  $k$ . As a consequence,

$$\mathfrak{sl}(3) \cong S_0 \subset G_0 \subset \text{Der}_0 S \cong \mathfrak{gl}(3).$$

Since  $\bar{\mathcal{G}} \subset \text{Der } S$  has no tori of dimension  $> 2$  (Lemma 4.3(1)) the equality  $G_0 = S_0$  must hold. We have proved that  $L = L_{(-1)}, L_{(2)} \neq (0), L_{(0)}/L_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(3)$  and  $L_{(-1)}/L_{(0)}$  is a 3-dimensional irreducible  $(L_{(0)}/L_{(1)})$ -module. Wilson's theorem [Wil 76] now yields  $L \cong S(3; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(1)}$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$  Lemma 2.5 says  $L \cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . This contradicts our choice of  $L$ . Thus  $a_1 a_2 a_3 = 0$ .

(c) From now on we may assume (without loss of generality) that  $a_1 = 0$ . Suppose  $a_2 a_3 \neq 0$ . Let  $W(3; \underline{1})_{[k]}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the  $(0, 1, 1)$ -grading of  $W(3; \underline{1})$  and  $\text{Der}_{[k]} S = (\text{Der } S) \cap W(3; \underline{1})_{[k]}$ . By the same reasoning as in (a),  $S = \bigoplus_{i, k \in \mathbb{Z}} S_i \cap S_{[k]}$  and

$$\text{Der } S = \bigoplus_{i, k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\text{Der}_i S) \cap (\text{Der}_{[k]} S).$$

Observe that  $\mathfrak{t} \subset S_0 \cap S_{[0]}$ . It is easily seen that

$$S_{[-1]} = \text{span}\{x_1^i \partial_2, x_1^i \partial_3 \mid 0 \leq i < p\} \text{ and } S_{[-k]} = (0) \text{ for } k \geq 2.$$

Using [St 97, Corollary 3.23(2)] it is not hard to observe that  $\text{Der } S = \bigoplus_{k \geq -1} \text{Der}_{[k]} S$  and, moreover,  $\text{Der}_{[-1]} S = S_{[-1]}$ . Now  $x_1^i \partial_2 \in G_{-a_2}$  and  $x_1^i \partial_3 \in G_{-a_3}$  yielding  $S_{[-1]} \cap G_0 = (0)$ . From this it is immediate that  $G_0 \subset \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{Der}_{[k]} S$ . Let  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]} \neq (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[k]} = (0)$  for all  $k > j$ . By our previous remark,  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]}$  is a  $G_0$ -submodule of  $G_{-1}$ . The irreducibility of  $G_{-1}$  forces  $G_{-1} = S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]}$ . If  $j \geq 0$ , then  $G_{-i} = S_{-i} = (S_{-1})^i \subset \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} S_{[k]}$  for any  $i > 0$ . Since  $\partial_2, \partial_3 \in S_{[-1]}$  we then have  $-a_2 \geq 0$  and  $-a_3 \geq 0$ . However,  $a_2 + a_3 = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 \geq 0$  and  $a_2 a_3 \neq 0$ . This contradiction shows that  $j < 0$ . Then  $j = -1$ .

Note that  $S_{-k} = (S_{-1})^k \subset (S_{[-1]})^k = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . Then  $D_{m,n}(x_m^k x_n) \in S_{(k-1)a_m} \neq (0)$  whenever  $m \neq n, k = 2, 3$ . This proves  $a_m > 0$  for  $m = 2, 3$ . As  $\partial_m \in S_{-a_m}$  and  $-a_m > 0$ , this gives  $a_2 = a_3 = 1$ . We deduce that  $S_i = S_{[i]}$  and  $G_i = G \cap W(3; \underline{1})_{[i]} = G_{[i]}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

(d) Note that

$$\begin{aligned} S_{[0]} &= S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)} \\ &\cap \text{span}\{x_1^i \partial_1, x_1^i x_k \partial_k, x_1^i x_3 \partial_2, x_1^i x_2 \partial_3 \mid 0 \leq i < p, k = 2, 3\} \\ &= \text{span}\{x_1^i \partial_1 - ix_1^{i-1} x_2 \partial_2, x_1^i (x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3), x_1^i x_2 \partial_3, \\ &\quad x_1^i x_3 \partial_2 \mid 0 \leq i < p\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$V_{-1} := \left( (\text{gr}_{-1})^{-1} \left( \sum_{i>0} Fx_1^i \partial_2 + \sum_{i>0} Fx_1^i \partial_3 \right) \right) \cap \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\pm \beta + i\alpha}$$

(by the above,  $L = L_{(-1)}$ , and  $G_{-1} = S_{-1}$  is spanned by  $x_1^i \partial_k$ , where  $0 \leq i < p$  and  $k = 2, 3$ ). Let  $S_{[0],+}$  denote the subalgebra of  $S_{[0]}$  spanned by all  $x_1^i (x_2 \partial_2 - x_3 \partial_3)$ ,  $x_1^i x_2 \partial_3$ ,  $x_1^i x_3 \partial_2$ ,  $0 \leq i < p$ , and by the  $x_1^i \partial_1 - ix_1^{i-1} x_2 \partial_2$  with  $i \geq 1$ . Obviously,  $S_{[0]} = S_{[0],+} \oplus F\partial_1$ . Put

$$V_0 := (\text{gr}_0)^{-1}(S_{[0],+}) \text{ and } M := V_{-1} + V_0.$$

By construction,

$$L_{(1)} \subset M \text{ and } [V_0, V_0] \subset V_0. \quad (15)$$

Properties of the associated graded algebra  $G$  ensure that

$$[V_{-1}, L_{(1)}] \subset V_0. \quad (16)$$

Since  $\Gamma(G_{[0]}, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha \cup (\pm 2\beta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha)$  and  $V_{-1} \subset \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\pm \beta + i\alpha}$ , we also have

$$V_{-1} \cap L_{(0)} \subset L_{(1)}. \quad (17)$$

Set  $G'_{[-1]} := \text{gr}_{-1}(V_{-1})$ . Then  $G'_{[-1]}$  is  $S_{[0],+}$ -stable. As a consequence,  $[V_0, V_{-1}] \subset V_{-1} + L_{(0)}$ . On the other hand,  $L_{(0)} = V_0 + L(\alpha)$ . So, by (16),

$$\begin{aligned} [V_{-1}, V_0] &= \left[ V_{-1}, \sum_{k \in \{0, \pm 2\}} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{k\beta + i\alpha} + L_{(1)} \right] \\ &\subset \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{k\beta + i\alpha} + V_0 \right) \cap (V_{-1} + L_{(0)}) \subset V_{-1} + V_0. \end{aligned}$$

(e) We claim that  $M$  is a subalgebra of  $L$ . In view of (15) and the preceding computation it suffices to show that  $[V_{-1}, V_{-1}] \subset M$ . Note that

$$[V_{-1}, V_{-1}] \subset \sum_{k \in \{0, \pm 2\}} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{k\beta + i\alpha} \subset L_{(0)}$$

and

$$[V_{-1}, V_{-1} \cap L_{(0)}] \subset [V_{-1}, L_{(1)}] \subset V_0$$

(the latter follows from (17) and (16)). As  $\text{gr}_{-1}(V_{-1}) \cong V_{-1}/V_{-1} \cap L_{(0)}$ , the Lie product in  $L$  induces a bilinear mapping

$$\Delta : G'_{[-1]} \times G'_{[-1]} \rightarrow L_{(0)}/V_0 \cong F\partial_1.$$

Since  $L_{(0)}/V_0$  is an  $S_{[0],+}(\alpha)$ -module,  $\Delta$  is an  $S_{[0],+}(\alpha)$ -module homomorphism. Since  $x_1\partial_2, x_1^i\partial_3, \partial_1$  have weights  $2\alpha - \beta, i\alpha + \beta, -\alpha$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{t}$  and  $\mathfrak{t} \subset S_{[0],+}(\alpha)$ , we get  $\Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^i\partial_3) = 0$  unless  $i = p - 3$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= x_1(x_2\partial_2 - x_3\partial_3) \cdot \Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^{p-4}\partial_3) \\ &= -\Delta(x_1^2\partial_2, x_1^{p-4}\partial_3) + \Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^{p-3}\partial_3), \\ 0 &= (x_1^2\partial_1 - 2x_1x_2\partial_2) \cdot \Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^{p-4}\partial_3) \\ &= 3\Delta(x_1^2\partial_2, x_1^{p-4}\partial_3) + (p-4)\Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^{p-3}\partial_3). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^i\partial_3) = 0$  for  $i \geq 1$ . Since  $x_1^i\partial_2$  has  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weight  $(i+1)\alpha - \beta$  we have  $\Delta(x_1\partial_2, x_1^i\partial_2) = 0$  as well. But then  $\Delta(x_1\partial_2, G'_{[-1]}) = 0$ . Applying  $x_1^{i-1}(x_2\partial_2 - x_3\partial_3)$  with  $i \geq 1$  to both sides of the latter equality we get  $\Delta(x_1^i\partial_2, G'_{[-1]}) = 0$  for  $i \geq 1$ . Playing the same game with  $x_1^i\partial_3$  yields  $\Delta(x_1^i\partial_3, G'_{[-1]}) = 0$ . This implies  $\Delta = 0$ ; i.e.,  $[V_{-1}, V_{-1}] \subset V_0$ . The claim follows.

(f) Let  $v_1 \in L_{(0)}$  be a root vector with respect to  $\mathfrak{t}$  such that  $\text{gr}_0(v_1) = \partial_1$ . Let  $v_2, v_3$  be root vectors with respect to  $\mathfrak{t}$  such that  $\text{gr}_{-1}(v_2) = \partial_2$  and  $\text{gr}_{-1}(v_3) = \partial_3$ . Let  $\bar{v}_i$  denote the image of  $v_i$  in  $W := L/M$ . Then  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$  is a basis of  $W$ . Note that for  $(i, j) \in \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (3, 2), (2, 3), (2, 1), (3, 1)\}$ , there are  $\mathfrak{t}$ -root vectors  $u_{i,j} \in M$  such that

$$\text{gr}_k(u_{i,j}) = x_i\partial_j \text{ and } k = -1 \text{ if } i = 1, k = 0 \text{ if } i, j \neq 1, k = 1 \text{ if } j = 1.$$

Let  $\tau$  denote the natural representation of  $M$  in  $\mathfrak{gl}(W)$ . It follows immediately from the existence of the  $u_{i,j}$ 's that  $\mathfrak{sl}(W) \subset \tau(M)$ . As a consequence,  $L/M$  is an irreducible  $M$ -module. This, in turn, implies that  $M$  is a maximal subalgebra of  $L$ . Put  $M_{(0)} = M$  and let  $M_{(k)}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard filtration of  $L$  associated with the pair  $(M_{(0)}, L)$ . Then  $L = M_{(-1)}$  and  $(0) \neq L_{(3)} \subset M_{(2)}$  (for  $L_{(1)} \subset M_{(0)}$ ). Since  $M_{(1)} = \ker \tau$  and  $TR(L) = 2$ ,  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(3)$  necessarily holds. Repeating the argument presented at the end of (b) we conclude that  $L \cong S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Since this contradicts our choice of  $L$ , the case we consider does not occur. Thus  $a_1 = a_2a_3 = 0$ .

(g) No generality is lost by assuming that  $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ . As  $G_{-1} = S_{-1} \neq (0)$  and  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 \geq 0$ , we have that  $a_3 = 1$ . Then

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{ix_1^{i-1}x_2^jx_3\partial_3 - x_1^ix_2^j\partial_1, jx_1^ix_2^{j-1}x_3\partial_3 - x_1^ix_2^j\partial_2 \mid 0, \leq i, j < p\}$$

is isomorphic to  $W(2; \underline{1})$ ,

$$G_{-1} = S_{-1} = \text{span}\{x_1^ix_2^j\partial_3 \mid 0 \leq i, j < p; (i, j) \neq (p - 1, p - 1)\},$$

and  $G_{-k} = (S_{-1})^k = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{t} \subset S_0$  and  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p \alpha \oplus F_p \beta \setminus \{0\}$ . Moreover,  $\dim G_{-1, \mu} = 1$  for any  $\mu \in \Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})$ . By (a),  $\Phi(T)$  is a 2-dimensional torus of  $S_0$ . So it follows from [Dem 70] that there is an isomorphism  $\Psi : S_0 \rightarrow W(2; \underline{1})$  such that  $\Psi(\Phi(T)) = Fz_1\partial_{y_1} \oplus Fz_2\partial_{y_2}$ , where

$$(z_1, z_2) \in \{(1 + y_1, 1 + y_2), (1 + y_1, y_2), (y_1, y_2)\},$$

(in order to avoid confusion we write  $W(2; \underline{1}) = \sum Fy_1^iy_2^j\partial_{y_k}$ ). Define  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in T^*$  by setting  $\gamma_i(z_j\partial_{y_j}) = \delta_{ij}$  where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] it follows that  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \Psi(\Phi(T))) = \mathbb{F}_p\gamma_1 \oplus \mathbb{F}_p\gamma_2 \setminus \{0\}$ . Combining this with [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] and [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1 and 1.4] we derive that any root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  is either Hamiltonian or improper Witt. Let  $\gamma = \gamma_2$  if  $z_2 = y_2$ , and let  $\gamma$  be any root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  if  $z_1 = 1 + y_1$  and  $z_2 = 1 + y_2$ . It is well known (and easily seen) that  $S_0(\gamma)/\text{rad } S_0(\gamma) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ ,  $\text{rad } S_0(\gamma)$  is abelian, and  $\text{rad } S_0(\gamma) \cong A(1; \underline{1})$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules.

Now  $G[\gamma]$  contains a triangulable Cartan subalgebra and  $TR(G[\gamma]) = 1$ . So it follows from [P 94, Theorem 2] and [St 89/1, (4.1), (4.2)] that either  $G[\gamma] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  or  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ .

(h) Suppose  $G[\gamma] = G(\gamma)/\text{rad } G(\gamma) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . Since  $\text{rad } G(\gamma)$  is a graded ideal of  $G(\gamma) = \bigoplus_i G_i(\gamma)$  and  $G_0[\gamma]$  is of Witt type (by a previous remark), we must have  $\bigoplus_{i \neq 0} G_i(\gamma) \subset \text{rad } G(\gamma)$ . In particular  $[S_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)]$  is a solvable ideal of  $S_0(\gamma)$ . If  $[S_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)] \neq (0)$ , then there is  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $[S_{-1, -k\gamma}, G_{1, k\gamma}] = C(S_0(\gamma))$  (because  $[S_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)] \subset \text{rad } S_0(\gamma)$  and  $\text{rad } S_0(\gamma) \cong A(1; \underline{1})$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules). It follows that  $\delta([S_{-1, -k\gamma}, S_{1, k\gamma}]) \neq 0$  for some  $\delta \in \Gamma(S, \Psi(\Phi(T)))$ . However, the inclusion  $S_{\pm 1}(\gamma) \subset \text{rad } S(\gamma)$  implies  $S_{\pm 1}(\gamma) \subset K_{\pm 1}(\gamma)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & [K_{-k\gamma}(S, \Psi(\Phi(T))), K_{k\gamma}(S, \Psi(\Phi(T)))] \\ & \supset [S_{-1, -k\gamma}, S_{1, k\gamma}] \supset C(S_0(\gamma)) \end{aligned}$$

acts nonnilpotently on  $S$  contrary to [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6]. This contradiction shows that  $[G_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)] = [S_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)] = (0)$ . As  $L = L_{(-1)}$ , we derive  $[L(\gamma), L_{(1)}(\gamma)] \subset L_{(1)}(\gamma)$ . In other words,  $L_{(1)}(\gamma)$  is an ideal of



$L(\gamma)$ . Recall that  $\text{Der } S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)} = CS(3; \underline{1})$ , so that  $\dim(\text{Der } S)/(\text{ad } S) = 4$  (see [St-F, (4.8.6)]). Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \dim L(\gamma)/\text{rad } L(\gamma) &\leq \dim L(\gamma)/L_{(1)}(\gamma) \\ &= \dim S_{-1}(\gamma) + \dim G_0(\gamma) \\ &\leq (p - 1) + \dim S_0(\gamma) + 4 \\ &= 3(p + 1) < p^2 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\gamma$  is not Hamiltonian. Therefore, if  $G[\gamma] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  then  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is improper Witt.

(i) Suppose  $z_i = 1 + y_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . If  $G[\gamma] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  then  $\gamma$  is improper Witt (by (h)). Suppose  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . Since  $T$  does not normalize the standard maximal subalgebra of  $S_0(\gamma)/\text{rad } S_0(\gamma) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] shows that  $\gamma$  is Hamiltonian improper. Thus under the present assumption all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are improper. However,  $\Gamma_p(L, T) \neq \emptyset$  because  $T$  is optimal. This contradiction shows that  $z_2 = y_2$ . So  $\gamma = \gamma_2$  and  $T$  normalizes the standard maximal subalgebra of  $S_0(\gamma)/\text{rad } S_0(\gamma) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . If  $G[\gamma] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  then  $L(\gamma) = L_{(0)}(\gamma) + \text{rad } L(\gamma)$  (as  $\gamma$  is Witt and  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  maps onto  $W(1; \underline{1})$  under the canonical homomorphism  $L(\gamma) \rightarrow L[\gamma]$ ). But then there is  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $\gamma([L_{j\gamma}, L_{-j\gamma}]) = 0$  (for  $z_2 = y_2$ ). In view of our discussion in (h) and [P-St 99, Lemma 1.1(4)], this is impossible. Thus  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\gamma] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . Then [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] applies to  $L(\gamma)$  showing that  $\gamma$  is Hamiltonian proper.

The Lie algebra  $S(3; \underline{1})$  is the kernel of the map

$$\text{div} : W(3; \underline{1}) \rightarrow A(3; \underline{1}), \quad \sum_{i=1}^3 f_i \partial_i \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^3 \partial_i(f_i).$$

It is easily seen that the map is  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant and has the property that  $\text{div}(W(3; \underline{1})_\mu) = A(3; \underline{1})_\mu$  for any nonzero  $\mu \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ . As  $\dim A(3; \underline{1})_\mu = p$  and  $\dim W(3; \underline{1})_\mu = 3p$  for any  $\mu \in \Gamma^w(A(3; \underline{1}), \mathfrak{t})$  we have that  $\dim S(3; \underline{1})_\mu = 2p$  for any nonzero  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weight  $\mu$ . As  $\mathfrak{t}$  and  $\Phi(T)$  are both tori of maximal dimension in  $S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  and  $G_\mu = S(3; \underline{1})_\mu^{(1)}$  for any nonzero  $\mu \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] and the definition of  $G$  imply that  $\dim L_\mu = 2p$  for any  $\mu \in \Gamma(L, T)$ . Let  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \gamma$  and  $M(\delta, \gamma) := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta + j\gamma}$ . Then  $M(\delta)$  is a  $2p^2$ -dimensional  $L(\gamma)$ -module. Now  $\gamma$  is proper Hamiltonian and  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\gamma) \cong G_0(\gamma)/\text{rad } G_0(\gamma) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . It follows that  $L_{(0)}(\gamma) + \text{rad } L(\gamma) \neq L(\gamma)$ . It also follows that  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  does not map into  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  under the epimorphism  $L(\gamma) \rightarrow L[\gamma]$ . This contradicts Lemma 3.2 finally proving the lemma. ■

Next we intend to show that  $S \cong H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . Recall that  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  has basis  $\{D_H(x_1^{a_1}x_2^{a_2}x_3^{a_3}x_4^{a_4}) \mid 0 \leq a_i < p, 0 < \sum a_i < 4(p-1)\}$ . Moreover,

$$H(4; \underline{1}) = H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)} \oplus FD_H((x_1x_2x_3x_4)^{p-1}) \\ \oplus (Fx_1^{p-1}\partial_3 + Fx_2^{p-1}\partial_4 + Fx_3^{p-1}\partial_1 + Fx_4^{p-1}\partial_2)$$

and

$$\text{Der } H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)} = H(4; \underline{1}) \oplus F\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i \partial_i\right)$$

(see [St-F, (4.8.7)]). It follows from this description (and Jacobson's identity) that any Lie subalgebra of  $H(4; \underline{1})$  containing  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  is restricted.

LEMMA 4.10. *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra satisfying  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset H(4; \underline{1})$ , and let  $t$  be a toral element of  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)/\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t) \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . Then  $(\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t))^{(2)} \neq (0)$ .*

*Proof.* As  $\mathfrak{g}/H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  is  $p$ -nilpotent,  $t \in H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . By [Dem 72], there is  $\tau \in \text{Aut } H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  such that either  $\tau(t) = D_H((1+x_1)x_3)$  or  $\tau(t) = \lambda D_H(x_1x_3) + \mu D_H(x_2x_4)$ , where  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . Now  $\tau$  induces an automorphism of  $\text{Der } H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ ; hence an automorphism of  $H(4; \underline{1}) = (\text{Der } H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)})^{(1)}$ . So replacing  $\mathfrak{g}$  by its isomorphic copy  $\tau(\mathfrak{g})$  we may assume in proving the lemma that either  $t = D_H((1+x_1)x_3)$  or  $t = \lambda D_H(x_1x_3) + \mu D_H(x_2x_4)$ , where  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . If in the second case  $\lambda, \mu \neq 0$  then  $(\sum_{i=1}^4 F\partial_i) \cap C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t) = (0)$ ; hence  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t) \subset H(4; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  is compositionally classical. Since this contradicts our assumption on  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ , either  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\mu = 0$  holds. No generality is lost by assuming  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\mu = 0$ .

Thus  $t = D_H(z_1x_3)$ , where  $z_1 \in \{x_1, 1+x_1\}$ . Since

$$[t, D_H(z_1^a x_2^b x_3^c x_4^d)] = (c-a)D_H(z_1^a x_2^b x_3^c x_4^d)$$

whenever  $0 \leq a, b, c, d \leq p-1$ , we have that  $C_{H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}}(t) =$

$$\text{span}\{D_H(z_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3} x_4^{a_4}) \mid 0 \leq a_i < p, 0 < a_1 + a_2 + a_4 < 3p-3\}.$$

Note that

$$I := (C_{H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}}(t))^{(1)} \\ = \text{span}\{D_H(z_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} x_3^{a_3} x_4^{a_4}) \mid 0 \leq a_i < p, \sum a_i > 0, a_2 + a_4 < 2p-2\} \\ \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(1; \underline{1}).$$

As  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  is an ideal of  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $I$  is an ideal of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ .

If  $\text{rad } I \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  is not  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ -stable then  $I$  is  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ -simple. But then  $I \cap (\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)) = (0)$  and  $(p^2 - 2)p = \dim I \leq \dim C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)/(\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)) \leq \dim H(2; \underline{1}) = p^2 + 1$ , a contradiction. Thus

$$\text{rad } I = \text{span}\{D_H(z_1^{a_1}x_2^{a_2}x_3^{a_3}x_4^{a_4}) \mid 0 \leq a_i < p, a_1 \neq 0, a_2 + a_4 < 2p - 2\}$$

is  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ -stable, hence contained in  $\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t)$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &4D_H(z_1^4x_3^4) \\ &= \left[ [D_H(z_1x_2^2x_3), D_H(z_1x_3x_4)], [D_H(z_1x_2x_3), D_H(z_1x_3x_4^2)] \right] \\ &\in (\text{rad } I)^{(2)} \subset (\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t))^{(2)}. \end{aligned}$$

So  $(\text{rad } C_{\mathfrak{g}}(t))^{(2)} \neq (0)$  as claimed.  $\blacksquare$

LEMMA 4.11.  $S \cong H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $S \cong H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ . By Lemma 4.6,  $G$  can be identified with a subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$  containing  $S$ . By Theorem 4.7, the grading of  $S$  has type  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4)$  for some  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying  $a_1 + a_3 = a_2 + a_4$  and some generating set  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in A(4; \underline{1})_{(1)}$ . To keep the notation simple we shall assume that  $u_i = x_i, 1 \leq i \leq 4$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $G = \bigoplus_i G_i$  is a graded subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S = \bigoplus_i \text{Der}_i S$ , where the grading of  $\text{Der } S$  is induced by that of  $S$ .

Since  $S$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ , so is  $S_0$ . Then  $\Phi(T)$  is a 2-dimensional torus of  $S$  contained in  $S_0$  (Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3). Let  $\mathfrak{t} = FD_H(x_1x_3) \oplus FD_H(x_2x_4)$ . Using Eq. (12) one observes that  $\mathfrak{t}$  is a 2-dimensional torus of  $S$  contained in  $S_0$ . Define  $\epsilon_i \in \mathfrak{t}^*, i = 1, 2$ , by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_1(D_H(x_1x_3)) &= 1, \epsilon_1(D_H(x_2x_4)) = 0; \\ \epsilon_2(D_H(x_1x_3)) &= 0, \epsilon_2(D_H(x_2x_4)) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously,  $D_H(x_1^ax_2^bx_3^cx_4^d)$  is a weight vector for  $\mathfrak{t}$  corresponding to weight  $(c - a)\epsilon_1 + (d - b)\epsilon_2$ . This shows that  $\dim S_\gamma = p^2$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t})$ . As  $H \subset L_{(0)}$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)] shows that  $C_S(\mathfrak{t}) \subset \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_i$ . Since  $D_H(x_1^2x_3^2) \in C_S(\mathfrak{t}) \cap S_{a_1+a_3}$ , one has

$$0 \leq a_1 + a_3 = a_2 + a_4. \tag{18}$$

As before, we let  $S_{\langle k \rangle}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard grading of  $S$  (it has type  $(1, 1, 1, 1)$  with respect to  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ ). Let  $\text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S$  denote the  $k$ th component of the grading of  $\text{Der } S$  induced by the standard grading of  $S$ . It is easily seen that  $Fx_1^{p-1}\partial_3 + Fx_2^{p-1}\partial_4 + Fx_3^{p-1}\partial_1$

+  $Fx_4^{p-1}\partial_2 \subset \text{Der}_{\langle p-2 \rangle} S$  and  $D_H(x_1^{p-1}x_2^{p-1}x_3^{p-1}x_4^{p-1}) \in \text{Der}_{\langle 4p-6 \rangle} S$ . Observe that  $S = \bigoplus_{i,k \in \mathbb{Z}} S_i \cap S_{\langle k \rangle}$ . As a consequence,

$$\text{Der } S = \bigoplus_{i,k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\text{Der}_i S) \cap (\text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S).$$

(b) Suppose  $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \neq 0$ . Then  $(\sum_{i=1}^4 F\partial_i) \cap \text{Der}_0 S = (0)$ , whence  $G_0 \subset \text{Der}_0 S \subset \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S$ . Let  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle} \neq (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle k \rangle} = (0)$  for  $k > j$ . Then  $S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle}$  is a nonzero  $G_0$ -submodule of  $S_{-1} = G_{-1}$ . As  $G_{-1}$  is  $G_0$ -irreducible,  $S_{-1} = S_{-1} \cap S_{\langle j \rangle}$ .

Suppose  $j \geq 0$ . By property (g2) of our grading,  $\sum_{i < 0} G_i \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_{\langle i \rangle}$ . Hence  $\partial_k \in S_{\langle -1 \rangle} \cap S_{-a_k} \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} G_i$ , and  $-a_k \geq 0$  for any  $k \leq 4$ . As  $a_1 + a_3 \geq 0$  and  $a_1 a_3 \neq 0$ , this is impossible. Then  $j < 0$ ; i.e.,  $j = -1$  (since  $S_{\langle k \rangle} = (0)$  for  $k < -1$ ).

As a consequence,  $G_{-1} \subset \text{span}\{\partial_1, \dots, \partial_4\}$  and  $G_{-k} = (G_{-1})^k = (0)$  for  $k > 1$ . Since  $D_H(x_1^3 x_3) \in S_{2a_1}$  (by (12)) we now get  $S_{a_1} \neq (0)$ ,  $S_{2a_1} \neq (0)$ . Then  $a_1 > 0$  since there is only one graded component of negative degree. Looking at  $D_H(x_2 x_4^3)$ ,  $D_H(x_1 x_3^3)$  and  $D_H(x_2^3 x_4)$  we deduce that  $a_i > 0$  for all  $i$ . Looking at  $\partial_i \in S_{-a_i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ , we eventually obtain  $a_i = 1$  for all  $i$ . Thus  $\text{Der}_k S = \text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore,

$$\mathfrak{sp}(4) \cong S_0 \subset G_0 \subset \text{Der}_0 S \cong \mathfrak{sp}(4) \oplus F.$$

Since  $\overline{\mathcal{G}} \subset \text{Der } S$  contains no tori of dimension  $> 2$  we must have  $G_0 = S_0$ . Properties of  $G_0 = \text{gr } L$  ensure that  $L = L_{(-1)}$ ,  $L_{(2)} \neq (0)$ ,  $L_{(0)}/L_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sp}(4)$  and  $L_{(-1)}/L_{(0)}$  is isomorphic to the natural 4-dimensional  $\mathfrak{sp}(4, F)$ -module. Applying Wilson's theorem [Wil 76] we now get  $L \cong H(4; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(2)}$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$  Lemma 2.5 yields  $L \cong H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  contrary to the choice of  $L$ . Hence  $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 = 0$ .

(c) Renumbering the  $a_i$  if necessary we may assume that  $a_1 = 0$ . Suppose  $a_2 a_3 a_4 \neq 0$ . By [St 97, Corollary 3.23],  $\text{Der } H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)} = CH(4; \underline{1}) \subset W(4; \underline{1})$ . Let  $W(4; \underline{1})_{[k]}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the  $(0, 1, 2, 1)$ -grading of  $W(4; \underline{1})$  with respect to  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ , and  $G_{[k]} = G \cap W(4; \underline{1})_{[k]}$ . It is easily seen that

$$S_{[0]} = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^k x_3), D_H(x_1^k x_2^2), D_H(x_1^k x_2 x_4), D_H(x_1^k x_4^2) \mid 0 \leq k < p\},$$

$$S_{[-1]} = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^k x_2), D_H(x_1^k x_4) \mid 0 \leq k < p\},$$

$$S_{[-2]} = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^k) \mid 1 \leq k < p\}$$

and  $S_{[-i]} = (0)$  for  $i > 2$ . It is straightforward that  $x_1^{p-1}\partial_3 \in \text{Der}_{[-2]} S$ ,  $x_3^{p-1}\partial_1 \in \text{Der}_{[2p-2]} S$ ,  $x_2^{p-1}\partial_4$ ,  $x_4^{p-1}\partial_2 \in \text{Der}_{[p-2]} S$ , and  $D_H((x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4)^{p-1})$

$\in \text{Der}_{[4p-6]}S$ . Hence  $\text{Der}_{[0]}S = S_{[0]} + F\Sigma_{i=1}^4 x_i \partial_i$  and

$$\text{Der}_{[-1]}S = S_{[-1]},$$

$$\text{Der}_{[-2]}S = S_{[-2]} \oplus Fx_1^{p-1} \partial_3,$$

$$\text{Der}_{[-i]}S = (0) \text{ for } i > 2.$$

Since  $D_H(x_1^k) \in S_{-a_3}$ ,  $D_H(x_1^k x_2) \in S_{-a_4}$ ,  $D_H(x_1^k x_4) \in S_{-a_2}$  for  $0 \leq k < p$ , and  $x_1^{p-1} \partial_3 \in \text{Der}_{-a_3}S$  we obtain

$$(\text{Der}_0 S) \cap (\text{Der}_{[i]}S) = (0) \text{ for } i < 0.$$

Then  $\text{Der}_0 S = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Der}_0 S \cap \text{Der}_{[i]}S \subset \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \text{Der}_{[i]}S$ . Let  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]} \neq (0)$  and  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[k]} = (0)$  for  $k > j$ . Because  $G_0 \subset \text{Der}_0 S$  our preceding remark shows that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]}$  is a nonzero  $G_0$ -submodule of  $G_{-1} = S_{-1}$ . Therefore,  $G_{-1} = S_{-1} \cap S_{[j]}$ .

If  $j \geq 0$  then  $G_{-i} = (S_{-1})^i \subset \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{[i]}$  for all  $i > 0$ . As  $D_H(x_2)$ ,  $D_H(x_4) \in S_{[-1]}$  we obtain that  $D_H(x_2)$  and  $D_H(x_4)$  have positive degrees. Then  $-a_4 > 0$  and  $-a_2 > 0$  contrary to (18). So  $j < 0$ . If  $j = -2$  then  $S_{-i} \subset S_{[-2]}$  for all  $i > 0$ . Again this implies that  $-a_4 > 0$  and  $-a_2 > 0$ . This case being impossible we must have  $j = -1$ . Then  $G_{-2} \subset S_{[-2]}$  and  $G_{-3} = (0)$ . Since  $D_H(x_2) \in S_{-a_4} \setminus S_{[-2]}$  and  $D_H(x_4) \in S_{-a_2} \setminus S_{[-2]}$  we have that  $-a_4 \geq -1$  and  $-a_2 \geq -1$ . Since  $0 \leq a_2 + a_4 = a_3 \neq 0$  and  $a_2 a_4 \neq 0$  one obtains  $a_2 = a_4 = 1$  and  $a_3 = a_2 + a_4 = 2$ . But then  $S_i = S_{[i]}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore,  $S_0$  is isomorphic to a semidirect product of

$$S'_0 := \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^k x_3) \mid 0 \leq k < p\} \cong W(1; \underline{1})$$

and the ideal

$$\begin{aligned} I_0 &:= \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^k x_2^2), D_H(x_1^k x_2 x_4), D_H(x_1^k x_4^2) \mid 0 \leq k < p\} \\ &\cong \mathfrak{sl}(2) \otimes A(1; \underline{1}) \end{aligned}$$

with  $S'_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  acting as derivations on the second tensor factor of  $I_0$ . Moreover,  $G_{-1} = S_{[-1]} \cong V(1) \otimes A(1; \underline{1})$ ,  $[I_0, G_{-2}] = 0$ , and  $G_{-2} = S_{[-2]} \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $(S_0/I_0)$ -modules (recall that  $V(1)$  denotes the natural 2-dimensional  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -module). Since  $S_0 \subset G_0 \subset \text{Der}_{[0]}S = S_0 \oplus F\Sigma_{i=1}^4 x_i \partial_i$  and  $\mathcal{Z}$  contains no tori of dimension  $> 2$  we have that  $G_0 = S_0$ .

(d) We continue assuming that  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (0, 1, 2, 1)$ . There is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  which maps onto  $\mathfrak{t}$  under the homomorphism  $\Phi: \mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 S \supset S_0$ . As before, we identify this torus with  $\mathfrak{t}$  and view the root system  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})$  as a subset of  $\mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_1 \oplus \mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_2$ . Using our discussion in (c) it is easy to observe that  $\Gamma(G_{-2}, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p^* \epsilon_1$ ,  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_1 \pm \epsilon_2$  and  $\Gamma(S_0, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p^* \epsilon_1 \cup (\mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_1 \pm 2\epsilon_2)$ .

Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus (\mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_1 \cup \mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_2)$ . Then  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  is a solvable subalgebra of codimension 2 in  $L(\gamma)$ . By Lemma 3.3,  $\gamma$  is proper. Next we observe that

$$\text{span}\{D_H(x_1^a x_3^b) \mid 0 \leq a, b < p, 0 < a + b < 2p - 2\}$$

is a subalgebra of  $G(\epsilon_1)$  isomorphic to  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . As a consequence,  $G[\epsilon_1] = G(\epsilon_1)/\text{rad } G(\epsilon_1) \notin \{(0), \mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ . But then  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\epsilon_1] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$  (see [St 89/1, (4.1), (4.2)]). Besides,  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes both  $\text{rad } G_0(\epsilon_1) = I_0(\epsilon_1)$  and the standard maximal subalgebra of  $G_0(\epsilon_1)/\text{rad } G_0(\epsilon_1) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . Applying [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] we now derive that  $\epsilon_1$  is a proper Hamiltonian root of  $L$ .

Similarly,  $\text{span}\{D_H(x_2^a x_4^b) \mid 0 \leq a, b < p, 0 < a + b < 2p - 2\}$  is a subalgebra of  $G(\epsilon_2)$  isomorphic to  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . Arguing as before we derive that  $\epsilon_2$  is proper. Thus all roots in  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})$  are proper. As  $T$  is an optimal torus all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are proper as well (for  $|\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})| = |\Gamma(L, T)|$  by [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10]).

As  $S_0/I_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  and  $I_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2) \otimes A(1; \underline{1})$  contain no tori of dimension  $> 1$ , there is a nonzero toral element  $t \in \Phi(T)$  such that  $\Phi(T) \cap I_0 = Ft$ . As  $I_0$  annihilates  $G_{-2}$  (see (c)) there is  $\alpha \in \Gamma(G, \Phi(T))$  such that  $\alpha(t) = 0$  and  $G_{-2} = G_{-2}(\alpha)$ . Because  $[t, S_0] \subset I_0$  we also have that  $S_0 = S_0(\alpha) + I_0$ . Now any 1-dimensional torus in  $\mathfrak{sl}(2) \otimes A(1; \underline{1})$  is conjugate under  $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{sl}(2) \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))$  to  $Fh_0 \otimes 1$ , where  $h_0 \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  (by [P 94, Lemma 2.5] for example). From this it is immediate that  $I_0(\alpha)$  is an abelian ideal of  $S_0(\alpha)$ . By our preceding remark,  $S_0(\alpha)/I_0(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ .

Suppose  $[G_{-2}(\alpha), G_2(\alpha)] \subset I_0(\alpha)$ . Then

$$[G_{-2}, G_2] = [G_{-2}(\alpha), G_2] \subset I_0(\alpha) + \sum_{\gamma \notin \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} S_{0, \gamma} = I_0.$$

However,

$$[D_H(x_1), D_H(x_1^k x_3^2)] = 2D_H(x_1^k x_3) \notin I_0, 0 \leq k \leq p - 1.$$

This contradiction shows that

$$[G_{-2}(\alpha), G_2(\alpha)] + I_0(\alpha) = S_0(\alpha)$$

yielding  $G_{-2}(\alpha) \not\subset \text{rad } G(\alpha)$ . As  $\text{rad } G(\alpha)$  is a graded ideal of  $G[\alpha]$  and  $G_0 \cap \text{rad } G(\alpha) \subset I_0(\alpha)$  we obtain  $\dim G[\alpha] > p$ . Hence  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\alpha] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$  (by [St 89/1, (4.1), (4.2)]). Since  $G_0(\alpha)/\text{rad } G_0(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , applying [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] shows that  $\alpha$  is a Hamiltonian root of  $L$ . Recall that  $\alpha$  is proper and  $L_{(0)}(\alpha)/\text{rad } L_{(0)} \cong G_0(\alpha)/\text{rad } G_0(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . The latter yields that  $L(\alpha) \neq L_{(0)}(\alpha) + \text{rad } L(\alpha)$  and  $L_{(0)}(\alpha)$  is

not compositionally classical. Since all  $t$ -root spaces of  $S$  are  $p^2$ -dimensional, [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] implies that for any  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ ,

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} \dim L_{\delta+j\alpha} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} \dim S_{\delta+j\alpha} = p^3.$$

Lemma 3.2 now says that each  $M(\delta, \alpha) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\delta+j\alpha}$  with  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  is an irreducible  $L(\alpha)$ -module.

As  $G_0 = S_0(\alpha) + I_0$  and  $[I_0, G_{-2}] = (0)$ ,  $G_{-2} = G_{-2}(\alpha)$  is an irreducible  $S_0(\alpha)$ -module. Besides,  $[G_{-2}, G_2(\alpha)] \not\subset \text{rad } G_0(\alpha)$ . From this it follows that  $\text{rad } G(\alpha) \subset I_0(\alpha) + \sum_{i>0} G_i(\alpha)$ . As  $\text{gr}(\text{rad } L(\alpha))$  is a solvable ideal of  $\text{gr}(L(\alpha)) = G(\alpha)$  and  $I_0(\alpha)$  is abelian we must have

$$\text{rad } L(\alpha) \subset L_{(0)}(\alpha), (\text{rad } L(\alpha))^{(1)} \subset L_{(1)}(\alpha).$$

As a consequence,  $(\text{rad } L(\alpha))^{(1)}$  acts nilpotently on  $L$ . But then  $(\text{rad } L(\alpha))^{(1)}$  annihilates each  $M(\delta, \alpha)$  with  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ . Therefore,  $(\text{rad } L(\alpha))^{(1)}$  annihilates  $L$  (by Schue’s lemma). This means that  $\text{rad } L(\alpha)$  is abelian. By the toral rank considerations  $\text{rad } G(\alpha)$  is nilpotent. By dimension arguments  $\text{gr}(\text{rad } L(\alpha))$  is an ideal of codimension at most two in  $\text{rad } G(\alpha)$  (for  $\alpha \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is Hamiltonian and  $H(2, 1)^{(2)} \subset G[\alpha] \subset H(2, 1)$  and  $\dim L(\alpha) = \dim G(\alpha)$ ). Then  $\text{rad } G(\alpha)/\text{gr}(\text{rad } L(\alpha))$  is nilpotent of dimension  $\leq 2$ , hence abelian. Then  $(\text{rad } G(\alpha))^{(2)} = (0)$  contrary to Lemma 4.10.

(e) Suppose  $a_1 = a_2 a_3 a_4 = 0$ . First we assume that  $a_2 a_4 \neq 0$ . Then  $a_3 = 0$  and  $a_2 + a_4 = a_1 + a_3 = 0$ ; i.e.,  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (0, m, 0, -m)$  for some nonzero  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Der}_0 S = \text{span}\{ & D_H(x_1^a x_2^k x_3^b x_4^k) \mid 0 \leq a, b, k < p, a + b + k > 0\} \\ & + Fx_1^{p-1} \partial_3 + Fx_3^{p-1} \partial_1 + F \left( \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i \partial_i \right). \end{aligned}$$

From this it is immediate that

$$J := \text{span}\{ D_H(x_1^a x_2^{p-1} x_3^b x_4^{p-1}) \mid 0 \leq a, b < p, 0 < a + b < 2p - 2\}$$

is an ideal of  $\text{Der}_0 S$  contained in  $S_0$ . Since  $J$  consists of nilpotent elements of  $S$  it must annihilate the irreducible  $G_0$ -module  $S_{-1}$ . This, however, is impossible as  $S_{-1}$  is a faithful  $G_0$ -module. Hence either  $a_2 = 0$  or  $a_4 = 0$ .

Renumbering  $x_2$  and  $x_4$  if necessary we may assume that  $a_2 = 0$ . Then  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (0, 0, n, n)$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$ ,  $n \in \{\pm 1\}$ . As

$a_1 + a_3 \geq 0$  (see (18))  $n = 1$ ; i.e.,  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (0, 0, 1, 1)$ . So we have

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^a x_2^b x_3), D_H(x_1^a x_2^b x_4) \mid 0 \leq a, b < p\},$$

$$S_{-1} = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^a x_2^b) \mid 0 \leq a, b < p, a + b > 0\},$$

and  $S_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . It is a matter of routine that  $S_0 \cong W(2; \underline{1})$  as Lie algebras and  $S_{-1} \cong A(2; \underline{1})/F$  as  $W(2; \underline{1})$ -modules. Also,  $L = L_{(-1)}$  (as  $G_{-k} = S_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k > 1$ ) and  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}) = (\mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_1 \oplus \mathbb{F}_p \epsilon_2) \setminus \{0\}$ . Moreover,  $\dim G_{-1, \delta} = 1$  for any  $\delta \in \Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})$ . By [Dem 72], there is an isomorphism  $\Psi : S_0 \rightarrow W(2; \underline{1})$  such that  $\Psi(\Phi(T)) = Fz_1 \partial y_1 \oplus Fz_2 \partial y_2$ , where

$$(z_1, z_2) \in \{(1 + y_1, 1 + y_2), (1 + y_1, y_2), (y_1, y_2)\},$$

(in order to avoid confusion we write  $W(2; \underline{1}) = \sum \mathbb{F} y_1^i y_2^j \partial_{y_k}$ ). Define  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Psi(\Phi(T))^*$  by setting  $\gamma_i(z_j \partial_j) = \delta_{ij}$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ . One has  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \Psi(\Phi(T))) = (\mathbb{F}_p \gamma_1 \oplus \mathbb{F}_p \gamma_2) \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\dim G_{-1, \gamma} = 1$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G_{-1}, \Psi(\Phi(T)))$  (by [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] and the above remarks). It follows that any root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  is either Hamiltonian or improper Witt (by [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6 and Lemmas 1.1, 1.4]).

Suppose  $z_i = 1 + y_i, i = 1, 2$ . Then any root in  $\Gamma(S_0, \Psi(\Phi(T)))$  is improper Witt ([B-W 88, Lemma 5.8.2]). Repeating verbatim the arguments presented in parts (h) and (i) of the proof of Lemma 4.9 we obtain a contradiction. Therefore,  $z_2 = y_2$ . Arguing as in part (i) of the proof of Lemma 4.9 we derive that  $\gamma_2$  is a proper Hamiltonian root of  $L$  and  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\gamma_2] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . By the above discussion,  $\dim G_{-1}(\gamma_2) = p - 1$ . Combining this with [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2)] one deduces that  $G_{-1} \cap \text{rad } G(\gamma_2) = (0)$ . A straightforward computation shows that  $x_1^{p-1} \partial_3, x_2^{p-1} \partial_4 \in \text{Der}_{-1} S, x_3^{p-1} \partial_1, x_4^{p-1} \partial_2 \in \text{Der}_{p-1} S$ , and  $D_H(x_1^{p-1} x_2^{p-1} x_3^{p-1} x_4^{p-1}) \in \text{Der}_{2p-3} S$ . Therefore,  $S_0 \subset G_0 \subset S_0 + F(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i \partial_i)$ . On the other hand, the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$  does not contain 3-dimensional tori. This yields  $G_0 = S_0$ . As a consequence,  $\text{rad } G(\gamma_2) \subset \text{rad } S_0(\gamma_2) + \sum_{i>0} G_i$ . We observe that  $\text{rad } S_0(\gamma_2) = \Psi^{-1}(\text{span}\{z_1 y_2^i \partial_{y_1} \mid 0 \leq i < p\})$  is abelian. As a consequence,  $(\text{rad } G(\gamma_2))^{(1)} \subset \sum_{i>0} G_i$ . As  $\text{gr}(\text{rad } L(\gamma_2))$  is a solvable ideal of  $\text{gr}(L(\gamma_2)) = G(\gamma_2)$  we now obtain

$$\text{rad } L(\gamma_2) \subset L_{(0)}(\gamma_2), (\text{rad } L(\gamma_2))^{(1)} \subset L_{(1)}(\gamma_2).$$

As  $\gamma_2$  is proper Hamiltonian and  $L_{(0)}(\gamma_2)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\gamma_2) \cong S_0(\gamma_2)/\text{rad } S_0(\gamma_2) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , Lemma 3.3 (which applies to  $L(\gamma_2)$ ) says that each  $M(\delta, \gamma_2)$  with  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \gamma_2$  is an irreducible  $L(\gamma_2)$ -module (see the final part of (d) for a similar argument). Since  $(\text{rad } L(\gamma_2))^{(1)}$  acts nilpotently on  $L$ , Schue's lemma shows that  $\text{rad } L(\gamma_2)$  is abelian. From this it follows as in (d) that  $(\text{rad } G(\gamma_2))^{(2)} \neq (0)$ , contrary to Lemma 4.10. This contradiction finally proves the lemma. ■



LEMMA 4.12.  $S \not\cong K(3; \underline{1})$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose the contrary. By Lemma 4.6,  $G$  can be identified with a subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$  containing  $S$ . Since  $\text{Der } S \cong S$  ([St-F, (4.8.8)]) we have  $G = S$ . According to Theorem 4.7, there exists a generating set  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in A(3; \underline{1})$  and  $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $a_1 + a_2 = a_3$  such that the grading of  $S$  has type  $(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  with respect to  $u_1, u_2, u_3$ . To simplify notation we shall assume (without loss of generality) that  $u_i = x_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ . So in the present grading of  $S$ ,

$$\deg D_K(x^c) = (c_1 + c_3 - 1)a_1 + (c_2 + c_3 - 1)a_2 \tag{19}$$

(see Eq. (13)). Let  $\mathfrak{t} := FD_K(x_1x_2) \oplus FD_K(x_3)$  (this is a 2-dimensional torus in  $S$ ). By Eq. (19),  $\mathfrak{t} \subset S_0$ . Let  $\mathfrak{h} := C_S(\mathfrak{t})$ . Since  $C_S(\Phi(T)) \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_i$  we have that  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_i$  (by [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11]). Using the commutator relations (10) and Eq. (19) we obtain  $D_K(x_1^{\frac{p+1}{2}}x_2^{\frac{p+1}{2}}x_3^{\frac{p+1}{2}}) \in \mathfrak{h} \cap S_{p(a_1+a_2)}$ . This implies that  $a_1 + a_2 \geq 0$ . Renumbering  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  if necessary we may assume that  $a_1 \geq a_2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq |a_2| \geq 0$ . Obviously,  $(a_1, a_2) \neq (0, 0)$ . As a consequence,  $a_1 > 0$ .

(b) Suppose  $a_2 = 0$ . Then

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{D_K(x_1x_2^i), D_K(x_2^ix_3) \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$$

and

$$\sum_{i < 0} S_i = S_{-a_1} = \text{span}\{D_K(x_2^i) \mid 0 \leq i < p\}.$$

As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$  we must have  $a_1 = 1$ . Using the commutator relations (10) one readily verifies that

$$S'_0 := \text{span}\{D_K(x_1x_2^i) \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$$

is a subalgebra of  $S_0$  isomorphic to  $W(1; \underline{1})$ ,

$$I_0 := \text{span}\{D_K(x_2^ix_3 - x_1x_2^{i+1}) \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$$

is an abelian ideal of  $S_0$  isomorphic to  $A(1; \underline{1})$  as a module over  $S'_0$ , and  $S_0 = S'_0 \oplus I_0$ . In particular,  $C(S_0) = FD_K(x_1x_2 - x_3)$ . Define  $\alpha', \beta' \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha'(D_K(x_1x_2)) &= 1, \alpha'(D_K(x_3)) = 0; \\ \beta'(D_K(x_1x_2)) &= 0, \beta'(D_K(x_3)) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $S_{-1} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} S_{-1, i(\alpha' + \beta') - 2\beta'}$  with  $\dim S_{-1, i(\alpha' + \beta') - 2\beta'} = 1$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . Moreover,  $S_0 = S_0(\alpha' + \beta')$  and  $S(\alpha' + \beta') \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_i$ . Since  $S_0$

$\cong \text{Der}_0 S$ , the restricted Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  contains a 2-dimensional torus which maps isomorphically onto  $\mathfrak{t}$  under the natural homomorphism  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 S$ . As before, we identify this torus with  $\mathfrak{t}$ . By our remarks earlier in the proof,  $L_{(0)} = L(\alpha' + \beta') + L_{(1)}$  and  $\alpha' + \beta'$  is a proper Witt root in  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})$ . Furthermore,  $L_{i(\alpha' + \beta') + j\beta'} \subset L_{(1)}$  if  $j \notin \{0, -2\}$  and

$$\dim L_{i(\alpha' + \beta') - 2\beta'} / L_{(0), i(\alpha' + \beta') - 2\beta'} = 1.$$

As a consequence, for any  $\mu \in \Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p(\alpha' + \beta')$ , the subalgebra  $L_{(0)}(\mu)$  is  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant, solvable, and has codimension 1 in  $L(\mu)$ . This implies that any root in  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p(\alpha' + \beta')$  is proper. As  $\alpha' + \beta'$  is proper Witt, all  $\mathfrak{t}$ -roots of  $L$  are proper. Since  $T$  is an optimal torus in  $L_p$ , all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are proper as well. We now identify  $T$  with  $\Phi(T) \subset \text{Der}_0 S = S_0$ . By the maximality of  $T$ ,  $C(S_0) \subset T$ . In other words,  $T = Ft \oplus FD_K(x_1x_2 - x_3)$ , where

$$t = \sum_{i \geq 0} \lambda_i D_K(x_1x_2^i) + \sum_{i \geq 0} \mu_i D_K(x_2^i x_3 - x_1x_2^{i+1}).$$

Since  $D_K(x_1x_2 - x_3)$  acts invertibly on  $S_{-1} = L/L_{(0)}$  and trivially on  $S_0 = L_{(0)}/L_{(1)}$  there is  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$  such that  $L(\gamma) = L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  and  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)/L_{(1)}(\gamma) \cong S_0$ . Since  $\gamma$  is proper,  $T$  stabilizes the preimage of  $\text{span}\{D_K(x_1x_2^i) \mid 1 \leq i < p\}$  under the canonical projection  $S_0 = S'_0 \oplus I_0 \rightarrow S'_0$ . This implies  $\lambda_0 = 0$ . Let  $S_{\langle k \rangle}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard grading of  $S = K(3; \underline{1})$  with respect to  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  (it has type  $(1, 1, 2)$ ) and  $S_{(k)} = \sum_{i \geq k} S_{\langle i \rangle}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard filtration of the Cartan type Lie algebra  $S \cong K(3; \underline{1})$ . Note that  $t \in S_0 \cap S_{(0)}$  and  $S_{-1} \cap S_{(p-3)} = D_K(x_2^{p-1})$ . Then  $[t, D_K(x_2^{p-1})] \in FD_K(x_2^{p-1})$ . It follows that  $D_K(x_2^{p-1})$  is a root vector of  $S$  relative to  $T$ . As a consequence, there exist  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T)$  and  $u \in L_\delta$  such that  $u + L_{(0)} = D_K(x_2^{p-1})$ . As  $|\Gamma(S_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})| = p$ , [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] yields that  $|\Gamma^w(L/L_{(0)}, T)| = p$  as well. As  $\dim L/L_{(0)} = p$  we must have  $(L/L_{(0)})_\delta = F(u + L_{(0)})$ . As  $D_K(x_1x_2 - x_3)$  acts on  $S_{-1} = L/L_{(0)}$  as  $2 \text{Id}$  we also have  $L(\delta) = Fu + H + L_{(1)}(\delta)$ , so that  $L_{-\delta} \subset L_{(1)}$ . This means that  $\nu([u, L_{-\delta}]) = \nu([D_K(x_2^{p-1}), S_1]) = 0$  for any  $\nu \in \Gamma(L, T)$ ; i.e.,  $u \in R_\delta$ . However,  $R_\delta \subset L_{(0)}$  as  $L_{(0)}$  is admissible. This contradiction shows that  $a_2 \neq 0$ .

(c) Suppose  $a_1 \neq |a_2|$ . In this case none of  $D_K(1), D_K(x_1), D_K(x_2), D_K(x_1^2), D_K(x_2^2)$  has degree 0. Then  $S_0 \subset FD_K(x_1x_2) + FD_K(x_3) + S_{(1)}$ . This implies that  $S_0 \cong G_0$  is solvable, contrary to Lemma 4.1. Thus either  $a_1 = a_2$  or  $a_1 = -a_2$ .

(d) Suppose  $a_1 = -a_2$ . Then

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{D_K(x_1^i x_2^i x_3^k) \mid 0 \leq i, k < p\}.$$

The commutator relations (10) show that

$$\begin{aligned} & [D_K(x_1^i x_2^j x_3^k), D_K(x_1^l x_2^i x_3^l)] \\ &= 2(k(j-1) - l(i-1))D_K(x_1^{i+j} x_2^{i+j} x_3^{k+l-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$J_0 := \text{span}\{D_K(x_1^{p-1} x_2^{p-1} x_3^i) \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$$

is an ideal of  $S_0$ . As  $J_0 \subset S_{(6)}$ , it acts nilpotently on  $S$ . By Engel's theorem,  $J_0$  must act trivially on  $S_{-1}$ , contrary to the fact that  $S_{-1}$  is a faithful  $S_0$ -module. So the case  $a_1 = -a_2$  is impossible.

(e) It remains to consider the case  $a_1 = a_2 > 0$ . Since  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$  we have  $a_1 = 1$ ; that is,  $S_i = S_{\langle i \rangle}$  for all  $i$ . But then  $L$  satisfies the conditions of Wilson's theorem [Wil 76] which gives  $L \cong K(3; \underline{n}; \Psi)^{(1)}$  (for  $L_{(-2)} \neq L_{(-1)}$  and  $L_{(0)}/L_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$ ). Since  $TR(L) = 2$  Lemma 2.5 yields  $L \cong K(3; \underline{1})$ . As  $K(3; \underline{1})$  is listed in Theorem 1.1, this is impossible. Therefore,  $S \not\cong K(3; \underline{1})$  as claimed. ■

Next we are going to rule out the possibility that  $S$  is one of the Lie algebras  $W(2; \underline{1})$ ,  $W(1; \underline{2})$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta)$ ,  $H(2; 1; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$ . We start with a subsidiary result.

LEMMA 4.13. *If  $\dim \overline{G}_\gamma \leq 2$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\overline{G}, \Phi(T))$  then  $|\Gamma(M(G), T)| \leq p^2 - 3$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is Hamiltonian proper. Then there is  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $\dim L_{k\gamma}/R_{k\gamma} \leq 2$  (see [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1, 1.4 and Theorem 8.6]). Since all root spaces of  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  with respect to a 1-dimensional torus in  $\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  are  $p$ -dimensional, we obtain

$$p \leq \dim L_{k\gamma} \leq \dim L_{k\gamma}/R_{k\gamma} + \dim \overline{G}_{k\gamma} \leq 4.$$

This contradiction shows that each Hamiltonian root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  is improper. As  $T$  is optimal,  $\Gamma(L, T)$  contains a proper root, say  $\delta$ . By the above,  $\delta$  is not Hamiltonian. Combining [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] with [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1, 1.4] we now obtain that there is  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $\dim L_{i\delta}/R_{i\delta} = 0$  whenever  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p \setminus \{0, \pm i_0\}$ . As  $\tilde{R}(L, T) \subset L_{(0)}$  this implies that for  $i \neq \pm i_0$   $M(G)_{i\delta} = (0)$ . Hence  $|\Gamma(M(G), T)| \leq (p^2 - p) + 2 \leq p^2 - 3$ . ■

LEMMA 4.14. *Suppose  $\mathfrak{g}$  is one of the Lie algebras*

$$W(2; \underline{1}), W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta), H(2; 1; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$$

and let  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  denote the minimal  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ .

1. Let  $V$  be a nontrivial restricted  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ -module and  $\mathfrak{t}$  a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ . Then  $|\Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t})| \geq p^2 - 2$ .

2. If  $S \cong \mathfrak{g}$  then  $M(G) = (0)$ .

*Proof.* (1) If  $\mathfrak{g} \cong W(2; \underline{1})$ , then [B-W 82, Corollary 4.11.2] shows that  $|\Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t})| \geq p^2 - 2$ . Suppose  $\mathfrak{g} \in \{W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta), H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}\}$ . It is well known (see, e.g., [B-W 88, Sect. 2] or [St 92]) that  $\mathfrak{g}_p$  contains a 2-dimensional toral Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{t}'$  such that  $\dim \mathfrak{t}' \cap \mathfrak{g} \leq 1$ . According to the corrected version of [B-W 82, Corollary 4.12.1] (see [B-W 88, p. 185]), the  $\mathfrak{g}_p$ -module  $V$  has at least  $p^2 - 2$  weights with respect to  $\mathfrak{t}'$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10], we then have  $|\Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t})| \geq p^2 - 2$ .

(2) Identifying  $A(1; \underline{2})$  with  $A(2; \underline{1})$  one can regard  $W(1; \underline{2})$  as a subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$ . Thus in all cases  $S$  can be identified with a subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$ . As a consequence, the semisimple  $p$ -envelope  $S_p$  of  $S$  can be identified with a homomorphic image of a restricted subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$  (in fact, it is always a restricted subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$  but we do not require this here). It is well known (and easy to see) that all root spaces of  $W(2; \underline{1})$  relative to the self-centralizing torus  $Fx_1\partial_1 \oplus Fx_2\partial_2$  are 2-dimensional. Combined with [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] this yields that  $\dim S_\gamma \leq 2$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S, T)$ . As  $T \cong \Phi(T) \subset S_p$  (Lemma 4.3(2)) and  $\overline{G} \subset \text{Der } S$  we have that  $\overline{G}_\mu = S_\mu$  for all  $\mu \in \Gamma(\overline{G}, T)$ . Then Lemma 4.13 applies showing that the  $S_p$ -module  $M := M(G)/M(G)^2$  has less than  $p^2 - 2$   $T$ -weights.

Suppose  $M(G) \neq (0)$ . Then  $M \neq (0)$ . Let  $V$  be a composition factor of the  $\overline{G}$ -module  $M$ . Recall that  $S_p$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$ , and there is a restricted representation  $\overline{\mathcal{S}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$  whose restriction to  $S$  coincides with the natural action of  $S$  on  $V$  (Lemma 4.2(2)). Thus  $V$  is a restricted  $S_p$ -module. Now  $0 \notin \Gamma^w(V, T)$  (as  $H \subset L_{(0)}$ ). It follows that  $S \cdot V \neq (0)$  (otherwise  $S_p \cdot V = (0)$  as  $V$  is restricted; hence  $T \cdot V = (0)$  as  $T \subset S_p$ ). Our second claim now follows from (1). ■

LEMMA 4.15.  $S \not\cong W(2; \underline{1})$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $S \cong W(2; \underline{1})$ . Then  $M(G) = (0)$  (Lemma 4.14), whence  $G = \overline{G}$ . It is well known (see, e.g., [St-F, (4.8.5)]) that all derivations of  $S$  are inner. Since  $S \subset \overline{G} \subset \text{Der } S$  we then have  $G = S$ . Moreover, since  $\text{Der}_0 G \cong S_0$  we may (and will) identify  $T$  with a 2-dimensional torus of  $S$  contained in  $S_0$ . According to Theorem 4.7, there exists a generating set  $u_1, u_2 \in A(2; \underline{1})$  and  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that the grading of  $S$  has type  $(a_1, a_2)$  with respect to  $u_1, u_2$ . To simplify notation we assume (without loss of generality) that  $u_i = x_i, i = 1, 2$ . Then

$$S_m = \text{span}\{x_1^i x_2^j \partial_k \mid ia_1 + ja_2 - a_k = m, 0 \leq i, j < p, k = 1, 2\}.$$

(b) As  $S \neq S_0$ , either  $a_1 \neq 0$  or  $a_2 \neq 0$ . Suppose  $0 \neq a_1 \neq a_2 \neq 0$ . Let  $S_{(i)}$  denote the  $i$ th component of the standard filtration of  $S$ . Since  $\partial_1, \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1 \in \bigcup_{i \neq 0} S_i$ , we must have  $S_0 \subset Fx_1 \partial_1 + Fx_2 \partial_2 + S_{(1)}$ . But then  $S_0 = G_0$  is solvable, contrary to Lemma 4.1.

Now suppose  $0 \neq a_1 = a_2$ . Then  $S_0 = \text{span}\{x_1 \partial_1, x_2 \partial_2, x_1 \partial_2, x_2 \partial_1\}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{gl}(2)$ . As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$ ,  $a_1 \in \{\pm 1\}$ . If  $a_1 = -1$  then  $S_{-1} = \text{span}\{x_1^2 \partial_1, x_1 x_2 \partial_1, x_2^2 \partial_1, x_1^2 \partial_2, x_1 x_2 \partial_2, x_2^2 \partial_2\}$  is a reducible  $S_0$ -module. Since  $S_0 = G_0$  and  $G$  satisfies (g1) this is impossible. Therefore,  $a_1 = 1$ , so that  $S_{-1} = F\partial_1 \oplus F\partial_2$  is a 2-dimensional irreducible  $S_0$ -module and  $S_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . Then  $L_{(0)}/L_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$ ,  $\dim L/L_{(0)} = 2$  and  $L_{(2)} \neq (0)$ . Applying Wilson's theorem [Wil 76] we get  $L \cong W(2; \underline{n})$  for some  $\underline{n} = (n_1, n_2)$ . As  $\dim L = \dim S = \dim W(2; \underline{1})$  we must have  $L \cong W(2; \underline{1})$  contrary to our choice of  $L$ . As a consequence, either  $a_1 = 0, a_2 \neq 0$  or  $a_1 \neq 0, a_2 = 0$ .

(c) Renumbering  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  if necessary we may assume that  $a_1 = 0$ . Then

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{x_1^i \partial_1, x_1^i x_2 \partial_2 \mid 0 \leq i < p\}.$$

As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$ ,  $a_2 \in \{\pm 1\}$ . If  $a_2 = -1$  then  $S_{-1} = \text{span}\{x_1^i x_2 \partial_1, x_1^i x_2^2 \partial_2 \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$  is a reducible  $S_0$ -module. As  $G$  satisfies (g1) this is impossible. Therefore,  $a_2 = 1$ ,  $S_{-1} = \text{span}\{x_1^i \partial_2 \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$  and  $S_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . Let  $\mathfrak{t}$  be a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)}$  which maps onto  $Fx_1 \partial_1 \oplus Fx_2 \partial_2$  under the homomorphism  $\Phi: \mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 S$  (in the case under consideration this homomorphism is surjective, as  $S_0 = \text{Der}_0 G = G_0 = L_{(0)}/L_{(1)}$ ). As before, identify  $\mathfrak{t}$  with  $Fx_1 \partial_1 \oplus Fx_2 \partial_2$  and define  $\alpha', \beta' \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  by setting

$$\alpha'(x_1 \partial_1) = 1, \alpha'(x_2 \partial_2) = 0; \beta'(x_1 \partial_1) = 0, \beta'(x_2 \partial_2) = 1.$$

It is easy to see that  $\Gamma(S_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p \alpha' - \beta'$  and  $\Gamma(S_0, \mathfrak{t}) = \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha'$ . Moreover,  $\dim S_{-1, \gamma} = 1$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})$ . It follows that for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha'$ , the subalgebra  $L_{(0)}(\gamma)$  is solvable,  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant, and has codimension 1 in  $L(\gamma)$ . Then each  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha'$  is solvable, classical or proper Witt (see [P-St 99, Sect. 1] for more detail). Besides,  $L(\alpha') = L_{(0)}(\alpha')$  and  $L_{(0)}(\alpha')/L_{(1)}(\alpha') \cong S_0$ . With this in mind it is easily seen that  $\alpha'$  is a proper Witt root of  $L$ . Thus all roots in  $\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})$  are proper. As  $T$  is an optimal torus, all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are proper as well (note that  $|\Gamma(L, T)| = |\Gamma(L, \mathfrak{t})|$  by [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10]).

(d) Note that  $C(S_0) = Fx_2 \partial_2 \subset \Phi(T)$ , by the maximality of  $\Phi(T)$ . Let  $t$  be a nonzero toral element of  $\Phi(T)$  such that  $\Phi(T) = Ft \oplus Fx_2 \partial_2$ , and define  $\alpha \in \Phi(T)^*$  by setting

$$\alpha(t) = 1, \alpha(x_2 \partial_2) = 0.$$

If  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S_0, T)$  then and  $\gamma(x_2 \partial_2) = 0$ . Hence  $S_0 = S_0(\alpha)$ . Since  $x_2 \partial_2$  acts on  $S_{-1}$  as  $-\text{Id}$  we also have that  $\Gamma(S_{-1}, T) \subset \Gamma(S, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ . As a consequence,  $L(\alpha) = L_{(0)}(\alpha)$  and  $L_{(0)}(\alpha)/L_{(1)}(\alpha) \cong S_0$ . Let  $\Psi$  denote the natural Lie algebra epimorphism  $S_0 \rightarrow W(1; \underline{1})$  whose kernel is spanned by  $\{x_1^i x_2 \partial_2 \mid 0 \leq i < p\}$ . As all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are proper the subalgebra  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  is  $\Psi(t)$ -stable. This implies  $\Psi(t) \in W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  forcing  $T \subset S_0 \cap S_{(0)}$ . Using our discussion in (c) and [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] one observes that each weight in  $\Gamma(S_{-1}, T)$  has multiplicity 1. Let  $S_{\langle k \rangle}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard grading of the Cartan type Lie algebra  $S$  (it has type  $(1, 1)$  with respect to  $x_1, x_2$ ). Then  $S_{(k)} := \sum_{i \geq k} S_{\langle i \rangle}$  is nothing but the  $k$ th component of the standard filtration of the  $S$ . Note that  $S_{-1} \cap S_{(p-2)}$  is spanned by  $x_1^{p-1} \partial_2$ . Since  $S_{-1} \cap S_{(p-2)}$  is  $S_0 \cap S_{(0)}$ -invariant, there is  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  such that  $S_{-1, \gamma} = \mathbb{F} x_1^{p-1} \partial_2$ . Since  $x_2 \partial_2$  acts on  $S_{\pm 1}$  as  $\pm \text{Id}$ , we have that  $\Gamma(S_{-1}, T) \cap \mathbb{F}_p \gamma = \{\gamma\}$  and  $\Gamma(S_1, T) \cap \mathbb{F}_p \gamma \subset \{-\gamma\}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} [G_{-1}(\gamma), G_1(\gamma)] &= [S_{-1}(\gamma), S_1(\gamma)] \\ &= [S_{-1, \gamma}, S_{1, -\gamma}] \subset \Phi(T) \cap S_{(p-3)}. \end{aligned}$$

However,  $\Phi(T) \cap S_{(p-3)}$  acts semisimply and nilpotently on  $S$ . Then  $\Phi(T) \cap S_{(p-3)} = (0)$ , whence  $[L(\gamma), L_{(1)}(\gamma)] \subset L_{(1)}(\gamma)$ . So  $L_{(1)}(\gamma)$  is an ideal of  $L(\gamma)$ . Since  $L(\gamma) = L_{-\gamma} + H + L_{(1)}(\gamma)$ , the 1-section  $L(\gamma)$  is solvable. Combining [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] with [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1 and 1.4] we now obtain  $L_{-\gamma} = R_{-\gamma} \subset L_{(0)}$ . This contradiction completes the proof of the lemma.  $\blacksquare$

LEMMA 4.16.  $S \notin \{W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta), H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}\}$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose the contrary and let  $S_p$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $S$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . It is well known (see [B-W 88, Sect. 2] or [St 92]) that  $\text{Der } S = S_p$  and there is a 2-dimensional self-centralizing torus  $\mathfrak{t} \subset S_p$  such that  $S_p = \mathfrak{t} + S$ , all root spaces of  $S$  relative to  $\mathfrak{t}$  are 1-dimensional, and  $|\Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t})| = p^2 - 1$ . Also,  $\dim S_p = p^2 + 1$ . Keeping all this in mind and using [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] we deduce that  $S_p = \Phi(T) + S$ ,  $\dim S_\gamma = 1$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S, \Phi(T))$  and  $|\Gamma(S, \Phi(T))| = p^2 - 1$ .

By Lemma 4.14,  $G \cong \overline{G}$ ; that is, we may assume  $S \subset G \subset \Phi(T) + S$ . Recall that  $[\Phi(T), S_0] \subset S_0$ . Let  $d$  denote the degree derivation of the graded Lie algebra  $S = \bigoplus_i S_i$ . Since  $[d, \Phi(T)] = 0$  and  $\Phi(T)$  is a maximal torus of  $S_p = \text{Der } S$  we must have  $d \in \Phi(T)$ . Choose independent roots  $\alpha, \beta \in \Phi(T)^*$  satisfying  $\alpha(d) = 0$  and  $\beta(d) = 1$ . Then  $G_0 = G_0(\alpha)$  and  $G_i \subset \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} G_{i\beta + j\alpha}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Since  $\Phi(T)$  is a Cartan subalgebra of  $S_p$ , we have that  $C_G(\Phi(T)) \subset \Phi(T)$ . Also,  $G_\gamma \subset S$  for any (nonzero) root  $\gamma$  (this follows from the inclusion  $[S_p, G] \subset S$ ). Therefore,  $G_0 \subset S_0 + \Phi(T)$ . By Lemma 4.3(2),

$S_0 + \Phi(T)$  is contained in the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . Recall that  $G_{-1} = S_{-1}$  is an irreducible  $G_0$ -module. Our preceding remark then shows that  $S_{-1}$  is  $S_0$ -irreducible. This, in turn, means that [P-St 99, Theorem 7.5] is applicable to the graded Lie algebra  $S$ . Since  $S_0$  is nonsolvable (Lemma 4.1) and all root spaces of  $S_0$  relative to  $\Phi(T)$  are 1-dimensional,  $S_0$  is as in case (c) of [P-St 99, Theorem 7.5]; that is,  $S_0 = \mathfrak{r} \oplus C(S_0)$ , where  $\mathfrak{r} \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ . Note that  $[\mathfrak{r} + Fd, C(S_0)] = (0)$ . Then  $C(S_0) \subset C_S(\Phi(T)) \subset \Phi(T)$ . Now  $C_{\mathfrak{r}}(\Phi(T)) \neq (0)$ ; otherwise  $\mathfrak{r}$  would be nilpotent by the Engel–Jacobsen theorem. So if  $C(S_0) \neq (0)$  then  $\dim C_S(\Phi(T)) \geq 2$ , whence  $\dim S \geq p^2 + 1 = \dim S_p$ . This contradicts the fact that  $S$  is nonrestricted. Thus  $C(S_0) = (0)$  and  $C_{S_0}(\Phi(T)) = Fh$  for some  $h \in \Phi(T)$  satisfying  $\alpha(h) \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Moreover, either  $h$  and  $h^{[p]}$  span  $\Phi(T)$  or there exists  $x \in S_{0, k\alpha}$  (for some  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ) satisfying  $\beta(x^{[p]}) \neq 0$  (otherwise  $S_0$  would be a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$  contrary to the fact that  $\Phi(T) \not\subset S_0$ ).

Let  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $G_i \neq (0)$  and  $i \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Since  $\dim G_\gamma = 1$  for each  $\Phi(T)$ -root  $\gamma$  and  $\Gamma(G_i, \Phi(T)) \subset i\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ , we have that  $\dim G_i \leq p$ . If  $\beta(x^{[p]}) \neq 0$  for some  $x \in \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} S_{0, k\alpha}$  then  $\Gamma(G_i, \Phi(T)) = i\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  (for  $\alpha(x^{[p]}) = 0$ ). If  $h$  and  $h^{[p]}$  span  $\Phi(T)$  then  $h^{[p]} - h \in F^*d$ , so that  $\beta(h) \notin \mathbb{F}_p$ . Since  $h \in S_0^{(1)}$  it follows that  $0 = \text{trace ad}_{G_i} h = i\beta(h)\dim G_i$ . Then  $\dim G_i = p$ . We obtain that  $\Gamma(G_i, \Phi(T)) = i\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  in all cases.

(b) Suppose  $G_{-2} \neq (0)$ . Then  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \Phi(T)) = -\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  and  $\Gamma(G_{-2}, \Phi(T)) = -2\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ . Since  $\dim L_\gamma = \dim G_\gamma = 1$  for any root  $\gamma$ ,  $\Gamma(L, T)$  consists of non-Hamiltonian roots. Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ . Then  $\mathbb{F}_p^*\gamma$  intersects with both  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \Phi(T))$  and  $\Gamma(G_{-2}, \Phi(T))$ . Recall that it follows from [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] that  $\dim L_{j\gamma}/R_{j\gamma} \leq 2 \dim L_{j\gamma}/K_{j\gamma}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Combining this inequality with [P-St 99, Lemma 1.1] and the inclusion  $\tilde{R}(L, T) \subset L_{(0)}$  it is easy to observe that  $\gamma$  is neither solvable nor classical nor proper Witt. Therefore, all roots  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  are improper Witt. Since  $G_1 \neq (0)$ ,  $\Gamma(G_1, \Phi(T)) = \beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ .

We claim that  $G_2 = (0)$ . If this is not the case, then  $\Gamma(G_2, \Phi(T)) = 2\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ . Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G_2, \Phi(T))$ . Then  $\pm \frac{1}{2}\gamma \in \Gamma(G_{\pm 1}, \Phi(T))$ . Since  $\gamma$  is improper Witt,  $(\text{ad } L_{\frac{1}{2}\gamma})^{p-3}(L_\gamma) \neq (0)$ . Since  $\dim L_{j\gamma} = 1$  for any  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ,  $(\text{ad } L_{\frac{1}{2}\gamma})^{p-3}(L_\gamma) = L_{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma}$ . But then  $L_{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma} \subset L_{(1)}$  whence  $-\frac{1}{2}\gamma \notin \Gamma(G_{-1}, \Phi(T))$  (for  $\dim L_{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma} = 1$ ). This contradiction proves the claim.

Since  $L$  is simple,  $L_{(2)} = (0)$ , whence  $L_{(1)} = \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{(1), \beta+j\alpha}$ . Since  $\tilde{R}(L, T)$  contains a nonzero  $T$ -homogeneous sandwich (see Sect. 3) there is  $s \in \mathbb{F}_p$  such that  $(\text{ad } L_{\beta+s\alpha})^2(L_{-\beta-s\alpha}) = (0)$  (as  $\dim L_{\beta+j\alpha} = 1$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p$ ). This, however, is impossible because  $\beta + s\alpha$  is improper Witt.

(c) Thus  $G_{-2} = (0)$ ; i.e.,  $L = L_{(-1)}$ . It follows that  $L = (\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{-\beta+j\alpha}) + L_{(0)}$  and  $L_{(0)} = L(\alpha) + L_{(1)}$ . Recall that  $C_G(\Phi(T)) \subset \Phi(T)$ . Therefore,

$H \cap L_{(1)} = (0)$ . Combining this with Schue's lemma we get

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \sum_{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} [L_\gamma, L_{-\gamma}] \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} [L_{-\beta+j\alpha}, L_{\beta-j\alpha}] + \sum_{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_p \alpha} [L_{(1), \gamma}, L_{(1), -\gamma}] \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} [L_{-\beta+j\alpha}, L_{\beta-j\alpha}] + L_{(1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Each subspace  $[L_{-\beta+j\alpha}, L_{\beta-j\alpha}] \subset [L_{(-1)}, L_{(1)}]$  maps under the epimorphism

$$[L_{(-1)}, L_{(1)}] \rightarrow [G_{-1}, G_1] = [S_{-1}, S_1]$$

into  $Fh \subset S_0$ . As  $H \cap L_{(1)} = (0)$  we obtain  $\dim H = 1$ . Recall that  $H_p \supset T$  (Lemma 2.1). Since  $\dim L_\gamma = 1$  for any root  $\gamma$ , no nonzero element in  $H_p$  is nilpotent. Hence  $H_p = T$ .

Thus we have established that  $L_p$  contains a self-centralizing torus  $H_p$  such that  $\dim(H_p \cap L) = 1$ . This means that  $L$  is not restricted (since  $\dim T = 2$ ). Then  $L$  satisfies the conditions of [B-W 82, Lemma 4.8.2]. That lemma is proved in [B-W 82] under the assumption that  $p > 7$ . The argument used in the proof is as follows:

(1) first one shows that  $L_p$  contains another self-centralizing torus, say  $H'$ , such that  $\dim H' \cap L = 1$  and  $(H' \cap L)^{p^1} = H' \cap L$  (this part employs toral switchings only and goes through for any  $p$ );

(2) next one shows that  $C_L(H' \cap L)$  is a Cartan subalgebra of  $L$  and  $L$  has toral rank 1 with respect to  $C_L(H' \cap L)$  (this part requires a few elementary facts on modular Lie algebras but still goes through for any  $p$ );

(3) finally one uses [Wil 78] to identify  $L$  with a Cartan type Lie algebra. It follows from this discussion that by substituting in step 3) [Wil 78] by [P 94, Theorem 2] one generalizes [B-W 82, Lemma 4.8.2] to the case  $p > 3$ . Applying this generalized version of [B-W 82, Lemma 4.8.2] to our case we obtain that  $L$  is one of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ ,  $W(1; \underline{n})$ , or  $H(2; \underline{n}; \Psi)$ . As  $TR(L) = 2$ , Lemma 2.5 yields that  $L$  is one of the algebras listed in Theorem 1.1. This contradicts our choice of  $L$  completing the proof of the lemma. ■

We now consider the case where  $S \cong H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.17.** *Let  $M_p$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $M = H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$  in  $\text{Der } M$ , and  $\mathfrak{t}$  a 2-dimensional torus in  $M_p$ . Let  $W$  be a nonzero restricted  $M_p$ -module. Then  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ .*



*Proof.* We modify the argument used in [P 94, Proposition 1].

(a) By [B-W 88, Proposition 2.1.8],  $M$  has basis

$$\left\{ D_H(x_1^{(m)}x_2^{(n)}) \mid 0 \leq m < p^2, 0 \leq n < p, \right. \\ \left. (m, n) \neq (0, 0), (p^2 - 1, p - 1) \right\},$$

$M_p = M + FD_1^p$ ,  $\text{Der } M$  is isomorphic to a restricted subalgebra of  $W(3; \underline{1})$ , and  $(\text{Der } M)/M_p$  is not  $p$ -nilpotent. It follows that  $M_p$  has no tori of dimension bigger than 2. By [Re], there exists an invertible  $q \in \text{span}\{x_1^{(i)} \mid 0 \leq i < p^2\}$  such that  $qD_1$  is a semisimple derivation of  $A(1; \underline{2})$ . Clearly,  $(qD_1)^p = \mu D_1^p + gD_1$  for some  $\mu \in F^*$  and some  $g \in \text{span}\{x_1^{(i)} \mid 0 \leq i < p^2\}$ . It follows that the restricted subalgebra generated by  $qD_1$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\text{Der } A(1; \underline{2}) \cong \text{Der } A(2; \underline{1}) = W(2; \underline{1})$ . So there are  $a, b \in F$  such that

$$(qD_1)^{p^2} = a(qD_1)^p + b(qD_1).$$

Let  $t = -D_H(qx_2) = qD_1 - D_1(q)x_2D_2$ . Easy induction on  $k$  (based on Jacobson's formula) shows that

$$t^{p^k} = (qD_1)^{p^k} - \psi_k x_2 D_2$$

for some  $\psi_k \in \text{span}\{x_1^{(i)} \mid 0 \leq i < p^2\}$ . Therefore,

$$t^{p^2} - at^p - bt = (-\psi_2 + a\psi_1 + b\psi_0)x_2D_2.$$

On the other hand,  $t^{p^2} - at^p - bt \in M_p$ , whence

$$(-\psi_2 + a\psi_1 + b\psi_0)x_2D_2 = \lambda D_1^p + D_1(f)D_2 - D_2(f)D_1$$

for some  $\lambda \in F$  and  $f \in A(2; (2, 1))$ . But then  $D_2(f) = 0$  yielding  $f \in \text{span}\{x_1^{(i)} \mid 0 \leq i < p^2\}$ . As a consequence,  $-\psi_2 + a\psi_1 + b\psi_0 = 0$ . This means that  $Ft + Ft^p$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $M_p$  and  $t^{p^2} - at^p - bt = 0$  for some  $a, b \in F$ .

(b) Since  $M_p$  has no 3-dimensional tori it suffices to prove the lemma for  $t = Ft \oplus Ft^p$  ([P-St 99, Corollary 2.11]). In other words, it suffices to show that  $\text{ann}_W t \neq (0)$ . No generality is lost by assuming that  $W$  is  $M_p$ -irreducible.

Let  $M_{(k)}$  denote the  $k$ th component of the standard filtration of  $M$ . Since  $M_{(0)}$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $M$  ([St 97, Corollary 3.24]) and  $M_{(1)} = \text{nil } M_{(0)}$  is a restricted ideal of  $M_{(0)}$ , Engel's theorem shows that  $\text{ann}_W M_{(1)} \neq (0)$ . Let  $W_0$  be an irreducible submodule of the  $M_{(0)}$ -module  $\text{ann}_W M_{(1)}$ . It follows from the irreducibility of  $W$  that there exists an epimorphism  $\Psi : u(M_p) \otimes_{u(M_{(0)})} W_0 \rightarrow W$  which maps  $1 \otimes W_0$  onto  $W_0 \subset$

$W$ . Suppose  $\text{ann}_W t = (0)$ . Then

$$(t^{p^2-1} - at^{p-1} - b) \otimes w_0 \in \ker \Psi$$

for all  $w_0 \in W_0$ . As  $q$  is invertible,  $t = cD_1 + t_0$  for some  $c \in F^*$  and  $t_0 \in M_{(0)}$ . As  $\ker \Psi$  is an  $M$ -submodule of  $u(M_p) \otimes_{u(M_{(0)})} W_0$  and  $M_{(1)} \cdot W_0 = (0)$ , one has (see [St-F, (5.7.1)])

$$\begin{aligned} \ker \Psi &\ni D_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2^{(2)}) \cdot (t^{p^2-1} - at^{p-1} - b) \otimes w_0 \\ &= (\text{ad } t)^{p^2-1} \left( D_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2^{(2)}) \right) \otimes w_0 \\ &= c^{p^2-1} (\text{ad } D_1)^{p^2-1} \left( D_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2^{(2)}) \right) \otimes w_0 \\ &= c^{p^2-1} D_H(x_2^{(2)})(w_0). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $D_H(x_2^{(2)})$  annihilates  $W_0$ . Since  $D_H(x_2^{(2)}) \notin M_{(1)}$  and  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  is simple we obtain  $W_0 \subset \text{ann}_W M_{(0)}$ . But then

$$\begin{aligned} \ker \Psi &\ni D_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2) \cdot (t^{p^2-1} - at^{p-1} - b) \otimes w_0 \\ &= c^{p^2-1} (\text{ad } D_1)^{p^2-1} \left( D_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2) \right) \otimes w_0 \\ &= c^{p^2-1} D_H(x_2) \otimes w_0. \end{aligned}$$

As  $D_H(x_2)$  and  $M_{(0)}$  generate  $M_p$  as a restricted Lie algebra we get  $W_0 \subset \text{ann}_W M_p$ . In particular,  $\text{ann}_W t \neq (0)$  contrary to our assumption. This contradiction proves the proposition. ■

LEMMA 4.18.  $S \cong H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $S \cong H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ . We first show that  $M(G) = (0)$ . Indeed, suppose the contrary and let  $W$  denote a composition factor of the  $\overline{G}$ -module  $M(G)/M(G)^2$ . By Lemma 4.2(2),  $W$  is a restricted  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$ -module. As  $S_p$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$ ,  $W$  is then a restricted  $S_p$ -module. By Lemmas 4.2, 4.3,  $\Phi(T) \subset S_p$  is a 2-dimensional torus. But then  $\text{ann}_W \Phi(T) \neq (0)$  (Proposition 4.17). From this it is immediate that  $C_L(T) \not\subset L_{(0)}$ , a contradiction. Thus  $M(G) = (0)$ . As a consequence, we can identify  $G$  with a subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$  containing  $S$ .

(b) By Theorem 4.7, the grading of  $S$  has type  $(a_1, a_2)$  for some  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and some generating set  $u_1, u_2 \in A(2; (2, 1))_{(1)}$ . For simplicity of notation we assume that  $u_i = x_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . By [B-W 88, Proposition 2.1.8(vii)],

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Der } S &= H(2; (2, 1))^{(1)} + FD_H(x_1^{(p^2-1)}x_2^{(p-1)}) + FD_H(x_1^{(p^2)}) \\ &\quad + FD_H(x_2^{(p)}) + FD_1^p + F(x_1D_1 + x_2D_2). \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\text{Der}_k S$  (resp.,  $\text{Der}_{\langle k \rangle} S$ ) the  $k$ th component of the  $(a_1, a_2)$ -grading (resp.,  $(1, 1)$ -grading) of  $\text{Der } S$ .

Suppose  $a_1 = a_2$ . As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$  we then have that  $a_1 \in \{\pm 1\}$  and  $S_0 = FD_H(x_1^{(2)}) + FD_H(x_1 x_2) + FD_H(x_2^{(2)}) = S_{\langle 0 \rangle}$ . As  $H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(0)}$  and  $H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(1)}$  are restrictable (see, e.g., [St 97, Corollary 3.24]),  $S_0 = S_{\langle 0 \rangle} \cong H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(0)}/H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(1)}$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ . Then  $\Phi(T) \subset S_0$  (Lemma 4.3(2)). As  $S_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  this is impossible.

Suppose  $a_2 = 0$ . Then  $S_0 = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1 x_2^{(i)}) \mid 0 \leq i < p\} \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  (see Eq. (12)). Note that  $D_H(x_1)^p = D_2^p = 0$  and

$$\text{span}\{D_H(x_1 x_2^{(i)}) \mid 1 \leq i < p\} = (\text{Der}_0 S) \cap H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(0)}$$

is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ . So it follows from Jacobson's formula that  $S_0$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S$ . Then again  $\Phi(T) \subset S_0$ , by Lemma 4.3(2). But  $W(1; \underline{1})$  has no 2-dimensional tori.

Suppose  $a_1 \neq a_2$  and  $0 \notin \{a_1, a_2\}$ . Then  $D_H(x_1)$ ,  $D_H(x_2)$ ,  $D_H(x_1^2)$ ,  $D_H(x_2^2)$  have nonzero degrees in  $\text{Der } S$ . Hence  $S_0 \subset FD_H(x_1 x_2) + H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}_{(1)}$  is solvable. But then so is  $[G_{-1}, G_1]$  contrary to Lemma 4.1.

(c) It follows from our discussion in (b) that  $a_1 = 0$ . As  $S_{-1} \neq (0)$  we must have  $a_2 \in \{\pm 1\}$ . In any event,

$$S_0 = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^i x_2) \mid 0 \leq i < p^2\} \cong W(1; \underline{2}).$$

By Lemma 4.3(2),  $T \cong \Phi(T)$  lies in the  $p$ -envelope  $\tilde{S}_0$  of  $S_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . Let  $t = -D_H(qx_2)$  be the semisimple element introduced in the proof of Proposition 4.17, and  $\mathfrak{t} = Ft + Ft^p$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{S}_0$  and  $\text{ann}_{S_{-1}} \mathfrak{t} = \text{ann}_{S_{-1}} t$ . As  $S_{-1}$  is a restricted  $\tilde{S}_0$ -module [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)] shows that  $\text{ann}_{S_{-1}} \mathfrak{t} = (0)$ .

Suppose  $a_2 = -1$ . Then  $D_H(q^2 x_2^{(2)}) \in S_{-1}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} [D_H(qx_2), D_H(q^2 x_2^{(2)})] &= D_H(D_1(qx_2)D_2(q^2 x_2^{(2)}) - D_2(qx_2)D_1(q^2 x_2^{(2)})) \\ &= D_H(q^2 D_1(q)x_2 x_2 - 2q^2 D_1(q)x_2^{(2)}) = 0; \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $\text{ann}_{S_{-1}} t \neq (0)$  (for  $q$  is invertible). In view of the preceding discussion this is impossible.

Thus  $a_2 = 1$ , so that  $S_{-1} = \text{span}\{D_H(x_1^{(i)}) \mid 1 \leq i < p^2\}$  and  $S_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . It follows that  $G_{-k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$  (i.e.,  $L = L_{(-1)}$ ) and  $S_{-1} \cong A(1; \underline{2})/F$  as  $\tilde{S}_0$ -modules. Note that  $A(1; \underline{2}) \cong A(2; \underline{1})$  as algebras, and the  $p$ -envelope of  $W(1; \underline{2})$  in  $\text{Der } A(1; \underline{2}) \cong W(2; \underline{1})$  contains a 2-dimensional torus. On the other hand, it is well known (and follows easily from [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10]) that for any 2-dimensional torus  $\tilde{T} \subset W(2; \underline{1})$  one has  $|\Gamma^w(A(2; \underline{1})/F, \tilde{T})| = p^2 - 1$ . This implies that  $|\Gamma(S_{-1}, \Phi(T))| = p^2 - 1$ . As a consequence,  $\Gamma^w(L/L_{(0)}, T) \supseteq \mathbb{F}_p^* \gamma$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(L, T)$ .

Therefore,  $0 \neq \dim L_{i\gamma}/R_{i\gamma} \leq 2 \dim L_{i\gamma}/K_{i\gamma}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  (by [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] and [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1 and 1.4]). We deduce that any root in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  is either Hamiltonian or improper Witt.

(d) Let  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T)$  be such that  $S_0(\delta) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . If  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] \neq (0)$  then  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] = S_0(\delta)$ , whence  $S_{-1}(\delta) \not\subset \text{rad } G(\delta)$ . As  $\text{rad } G(\delta)$  is a graded ideal of  $G(\delta)$  we then have  $\dim G[\delta] > p$ . Using [St 89/1, (4.1), (4.2)] (combined with [P 94, Theorem 2]) we derive that  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G[\delta] \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . Now [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6] yields that  $\delta$  is Hamiltonian and, moreover,  $\delta$  is proper if and only if  $S_0(\delta)$  is a proper section of  $S_0$ .

If  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] = (0)$  then  $L_{(1)}(\delta)$  is an ideal of  $L(\delta)$  (for  $L(\delta) = L_{(-1)}(\delta)$  by (c)). As  $S$  has codimension 5 in  $\text{Der } S$  (see (b)),

$$\begin{aligned} \dim L(\delta)/\text{rad } L(\delta) &\leq \dim L(\delta)/L_{(1)}(\delta) \\ &= \dim S_{-1}(\delta) + \dim G_0(\delta) \\ &\leq (p-1) + \dim S_0(\delta) + 5 \\ &= 2p + 4 < p^2 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

In view of the final remark in (c),  $\delta$  is improper Witt. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (L_{(0)}(\delta) + \text{rad } L(\delta))/\text{rad } L(\delta) \\ \cong S_0(\delta) \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \cong L[\delta] = L(\delta)/\text{rad } L(\delta); \end{aligned}$$

hence  $L(\delta) = L_{(0)}(\delta) + \text{rad } L(\delta)$ . Therefore, the equality  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] = (0)$  implies that  $S_0(\delta)$  is an improper section of  $S_0$ .

(e) We now view  $\Phi(T)$  as a 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{S}_0 \cong W(1; \underline{2})_p$ . According to [St 92, Sect. 5],  $|\Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T))| = p^2 - 1$ ,  $\dim S_{0, \gamma} = 1$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T)) \cup \{0\}$ , and one of the following occurs:

- (1) all roots in  $\Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T))$  are improper Witt;
- (2) all roots in  $\Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T))$  are proper,  $\dim \Phi(T) \cap S_0 = 1$ , and each  $\gamma \in \Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T))$  satisfying  $\gamma(\Phi(T) \cap S_0) \neq 0$  is Witt.

First suppose that (1) holds for  $\Phi(T)$ . Then any  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T)$  has the property that  $S_0(\delta) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . If  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] \neq (0)$  then  $\delta \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is improper Hamiltonian by our discussion in (d). If  $[S_{-1}(\delta), G_1(\delta)] = (0)$  then  $\delta$  is improper Witt (again by (d)). But then all roots in  $\Gamma(L, T)$  are improper contrary to the optimality of  $T$ . Therefore, (2) holds for  $\Phi(T)$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma(S_0, \Phi(T))$  be such that  $\alpha(\Phi(T) \cap S_0) \neq 0$ . Then  $S_0(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  is a proper section of  $S_0$ . Now  $\alpha$  is a root of  $L$ . By the final remark in (d), we must have  $[S_{-1}(\alpha), G_1(\alpha)] \neq (0)$ . Then  $\alpha \in \Gamma(L, T)$  is Hamiltonian proper. Let  $\beta \in \Gamma(L, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  and let  $W$  be a composition factor of the  $L(\alpha)$ -module  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} L_{\beta+j\alpha}$ . Clearly,  $\dim W \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} \dim G_{\beta+j\alpha} =$

$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p} \dim S_{\beta+j\alpha} \leq \dim S = p^3 - 2$ . As  $L_{(0)}(\alpha)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\alpha) \cong G_0(\alpha)/\text{rad } G_0(\alpha)$  contains an ideal isomorphic to  $W(1; \underline{1})$  we have that  $L(\alpha) \neq L_{(0)}(\alpha) + \text{rad } L(\alpha)$  (otherwise  $L[\alpha] \cong L_{(0)}(\alpha)/\text{rad } L_{(0)}(\alpha)$  which is false since  $\alpha$  is Hamiltonian). It also follows that  $L_{(0)}(\alpha)$  does not map into  $H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  under the epimorphism  $L(\alpha) \rightarrow L[\alpha]$ . Since this contradicts Lemma 3.2 we conclude  $S \cong H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$  as desired. ■

Finally we are going to use some deformation theory to show that  $S$  is not isomorphic to the restricted Melikian algebra  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . Our arguments employ a 1-parameter family of restricted Lie algebras introduced in [Sk 98, Sect. 5] and the main theorem of [P 87].

**PROPOSITION 4.19.** *Let  $W$  be a nonzero restricted  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ -module, and let  $\mathfrak{t}$  be a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . Then  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  is a restricted Lie algebra. According to [P 94, Lemma 4.4],  $TR(\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)) = 2$ . Therefore, it suffices to prove the proposition for any particular 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  ([P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)]). We use the description of  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  given in [St 97, (3.6)] (the notations of [P 94, Sect. 4] and [Ku 91] are slightly different). We have that

$$\mathfrak{g}(1, 1) = W(2; \underline{1}) \oplus A(2; \underline{1}) \oplus \widetilde{W(2; \underline{1})},$$

where the direct summands on the right are the homogeneous components of the natural  $(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})$ -grading of  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . We assume that

$$\mathfrak{t} = Fx_1\partial_1 \oplus Fx_2\partial_2 \subset W(2; \underline{1}) \subset \mathfrak{g}(1, 1).$$

Let  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_{(i)}$  denote the  $i$ th component of the standard filtration of  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  (it has depth 3). Obviously,  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_{(1)}$  is a restricted  $p$ -nilpotent subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . By Engel’s theorem, the subspace  $W_0 := \{w \in W \mid \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_{(1)} \cdot w = (0)\}$  is nonzero. Suppose  $\partial_1^{p-1}\partial_2^{p-1} \cdot w = 0$  for some nonzero  $w \in W_0$ . Note that  $x_1^m x_2^n \tilde{\partial}_j \in \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_{(1)}$  whenever  $m + n \geq 1, j \in \{1, 2\}$ . So using the definition of  $W_0$  and the multiplication formula on [St 97, p. 145] it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (x_1^{p-1}x_2^{p-1}\tilde{\partial}_j) \partial_1^{p-1}\partial_2^{p-1} \cdot w \\ &= (-1)^{p-1}(-1)^{p-1}((\text{ad } \partial_2)^{p-1}(\text{ad } \partial_1)^{p-1}(x_1^{p-1}x_2^{p-1}\tilde{\partial}_j)) \cdot w \\ &= \tilde{\partial}_j \cdot w \quad (j = 1, 2). \end{aligned}$$

As  $A(2; \underline{1})_{(1)} \subset \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)_{(1)}$ , one obtains

$$0 = [x_i, \tilde{\partial}_j] \cdot w = (x_i\partial_j) \cdot w$$

for all  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ . Hence  $w \in \text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}$ .

Thus from now on we may assume that  $\partial_1^{p-1}\partial_2^{p-1}\cdot w \neq 0$  for any nonzero  $w \in W$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{t}$  normalizes  $\mathfrak{g}(1,1)_{(1)}$  hence stabilizes  $W_0$ . As  $W_0 \neq (0)$  there is  $w \in W_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $t \cdot w = \lambda(t)w$  for any  $t \in \mathfrak{t}$ , where  $\lambda$  is a linear function on  $\mathfrak{t}$ . As  $W$  is a restricted  $\mathfrak{t}$ -module,  $\lambda(x_i \partial_i) \in \mathbb{F}_p$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Choose  $a, b \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $a \equiv \lambda(x_1 \partial_1)$ ,  $b \equiv \lambda(x_2 \partial_2) \pmod{p}$ . Then  $0 \neq \partial_1^a \partial_2^b \cdot w \in \text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}$ . ■

LEMMA 4.20.  $S \cong \mathfrak{g}(1,1)$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose  $S \cong \mathfrak{g}(1,1)$ . By [Ku 91], all derivations of  $S$  are inner (see [St 97, Theorem 3.37] for a shorter proof of this result). Since  $\text{ad } S \subset \overline{G} \subset \overline{\mathcal{G}} \subset \text{Der } S$  we have that  $\overline{G} = \overline{\mathcal{G}} \cong S$ .

Suppose  $M(G) \neq (0)$ . Let  $W$  be a composition factor of the nonzero  $\overline{G}$ -module  $M(G)/M(G)^2$ . Using Lemma 4.2(2) it is easy to see that  $W$  is a restricted  $S$ -module. As before, we identify  $T$  with its image under the homomorphism  $\mathcal{L}_{(0)} \rightarrow \text{Der}_0 G \cong S_0$ . By Proposition 4.19,  $\text{ann}_W T \neq (0)$ . However,  $T$  has no zero weight on  $L/L_{(0)}$  (as  $C_L(T) \subset L_{(0)}$ ). This contradiction shows that  $M(G) = (0)$  and  $G = S$ .

Given  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  define

$$\text{Der}_{(i)} L := \{D \in \text{Der } L \mid D(L_{(j)}) \subset L_{(i+j)} \text{ for all } j\}.$$

Then  $(\text{Der}_{(i)} L)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is a filtration of  $\text{Der } L$ . The associated graded Lie algebra  $\text{gr}(\text{Der } L)$  injects into  $\text{Der}(\text{gr}(L)) = \text{Der } G \cong S$ . It follows that  $\dim \text{Der } L \leq \dim S$ . On the other hand,  $\dim \text{ad } L = \dim L \geq \dim S$ . We deduce that all derivations of  $L$  are inner. Then  $L$  carries a restricted Lie algebra structure.

Thus  $L$  is a filtered restricted Lie algebra, and  $\text{gr}(L) = S$ . Since the filtration of  $L$  is exhaustive and separating, Skryabin's result [Sk 98, Lemma 5.5] shows that there exists a restricted Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  over the polynomial ring  $F[t]$  such that  $\mathcal{L}$  is a free module of finite rank over  $F[t]$  and there are isomorphisms of restricted Lie algebras  $\mathcal{L}/t\mathcal{L} \cong S$  and  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda)\mathcal{L} \cong L$  for any nonzero  $\lambda \in F$ .

(b) Following [P 90] we say that a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  of a finite dimensional restricted Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  over  $F$  is *regular* if the subspace  $\mathfrak{h}_s$  of all  $[p]$ -semisimple elements in  $\mathfrak{h}$  is a torus of maximal dimension in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . It is proved in [P 87, Theorem 1] that for any regular Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , one has

$$\dim \mathfrak{h} = rk(\mathfrak{g}) := \min\{\dim \mathfrak{g}_x^0 \mid x \in \mathfrak{g}\},$$

where  $\mathfrak{g}_x^0 = \{y \in \mathfrak{g} \mid (\text{ad } x)^{\dim \mathfrak{g}}(y) = 0\}$  is the nilspace of the adjoint endomorphism  $\text{ad } x$ . We mention that for any  $y \in \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\dim \mathfrak{g}_y^0 = rk(\mathfrak{g})$ , the nilspace  $\mathfrak{g}_y^0$  is a Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (this is a standard fact

of Lie theory). Write the characteristic polynomial of  $\text{ad } u$ , where  $u \in \mathfrak{g}$ , in the form

$$\det(X - \text{ad } u) = \sum_{i=0}^m \psi_i(u) X^i,$$

where  $m = \dim \mathfrak{g}$  and  $\psi_i(u) \in F$ . By linear algebra,  $\psi_i$  is a homogeneous polynomial function of degree  $m - i$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Then the rank of  $\mathfrak{g}$  has the following description:

$$\text{rk}(\mathfrak{g}) = \min\{i \mid \psi_i \neq 0\}.$$

From this it follows that  $\text{rk}(\mathfrak{g}) = \text{rk}(\mathfrak{g} \otimes_F \tilde{F})$  for any field extension  $\tilde{F}/F$ .

(c) Now let  $E$  denote the algebraic closure of the field of rational functions  $F(t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_E = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{F[t]} E$ . We claim that

$$\text{rk}(\mathcal{L}_E) = \text{rk}(L) = \text{rk}(S).$$

Since  $\text{TR}(L) = 2$ ,  $T$  is a torus of maximal dimension in  $L = L_p$ . Therefore,  $H = C_L(T)$  is a regular Cartan subalgebra of  $L$ . Identifying  $T$  with its image in  $S_0 \cong \text{Der}_0 S$  we obtain in a similar manner that  $C_S(T)$  is a regular Cartan subalgebra of  $S$  (for  $\text{TR}(\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)) = 2$ ). Since  $S = \text{gr}(L)$  and  $T$  normalizes all components  $L_{(i)}$  of our filtration, we also have that  $\dim H = \dim C_S(T)$ . So applying [P 87, Theorem 1] now yields

$$\text{rk}(L) = \dim H = \dim C_S(T) = \text{rk}(S).$$

Let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  be a basis of the free  $F[t]$ -module  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $u := \sum x_i e_i$ , and

$$\det(X - \text{ad } u) = \sum_{i=r}^n \Psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) X^i,$$

where  $\Psi_r \neq 0$ . By our remarks earlier in the proof,  $r = \text{rk}(\mathcal{L} \otimes_{F[t]} F(t)) = \text{rk}(\mathcal{L}_E)$ . Given  $\lambda \in F$  let  $u^{(\lambda)}$  denote the image of  $u$  under the epimorphism

$$\mathcal{L} \otimes_F F[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow (\mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda)\mathcal{L}) \otimes_F F[x_1, \dots, x_n].$$

Since  $\mathcal{L}$  is free over  $F[t]$ ,  $u^{(\lambda)}$  can be viewed as a generic element of the Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda)\mathcal{L}$ . Now each  $\Psi_i$  is a homogeneous polynomial in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  with coefficients in  $F[t]$ . Let  $\Psi_i^{(\lambda)}$  denote the polynomial obtained from  $\Psi_i$  by specializing  $t$  to  $\lambda$ . It is easy to see that the characteristic polynomial of the endomorphism  $\text{ad } u^{(\lambda)}$  of  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda)\mathcal{L}$  equals

$$\det(X - \text{ad } u^{(\lambda)}) = \sum_{i=r}^n \Psi_i^{(\lambda)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) X^i.$$

Since  $F$  is infinite there is a nonzero  $\lambda_0 \in F$  such that  $\Psi_r^{(\lambda_0)} \neq 0$ . But then  $rk(\mathcal{L}_E) = r = rk(\mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda_0)\mathcal{L}) = rk(L)$ . The claim follows.

(d) Let  $\varphi_\lambda : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}/(t - \lambda)\mathcal{L}$  denote the canonical epimorphism. By [P 94, Lemma 4.4],  $S \cong \varphi_0(\mathcal{L})$  contains a nontriangular regular Cartan subalgebra. It follows that there is  $h \in \mathcal{L}$  such that  $(\varphi_0(\mathcal{L}))_{\varphi_\lambda(h)}^0$  is a  $r$ -dimensional Cartan subalgebra of  $\varphi_0(\mathcal{L})$  whose derived subalgebra contains an element acting nonnilpotently on  $\varphi_0(\mathcal{L})$ . Obviously,  $\mathcal{L}_h^0$  is an  $F[t]$ -submodule of  $\mathcal{L}$ , and it is not hard to see that the quotient module  $\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}_h^0$  is torsion-free. But then  $\mathcal{L}_h^0$  is a direct summand of the  $F[t]$ -module  $\mathcal{L}$  and a free  $F[t]$ -module (see, e.g., [B1, Ch. VII, Sect. 4, and Sect. 2, Theorem 1]). Clearly,

$$rk_{F[t]}(\mathcal{L}_h^0) = \dim_F \mathcal{L}_h^0 / (t - \lambda) \mathcal{L}_h^0$$

for any  $\lambda \in F$ . Moreover,  $\mathcal{L}_h^0 / (t - \lambda) \mathcal{L}_h^0$  embeds into  $(\varphi_\lambda(\mathcal{L}))_{\varphi_\lambda(h)}^0$ . On the other hand,  $\mathcal{L}_h^0 \otimes_{F[t]} E \cong (\mathcal{L}_E)_h^0$  as vector spaces. Therefore,

$$rk_{F[t]}(\mathcal{L}_h^0) = \dim(\mathcal{L}_E)_h^0 \geq \min\{\dim(\mathcal{L}_E)_x^0 \mid x \in \mathcal{L}_E\} = rk(\mathcal{L}_E) = r.$$

By the choice of  $h$ ,

$$r = \dim(\varphi_0(\mathcal{L}))_{\varphi_0(h)}^0 \geq \dim \mathcal{L}_h^0 / t \mathcal{L}_h^0 = rk_{F[t]}(\mathcal{L}_h^0).$$

We deduce that  $rk_{F[t]}(\mathcal{L}_h^0) = r$ .

There exist  $q_1, \dots, q_n \in F[t]$  such that  $h = \sum q_i e_i$ . Clearly,  $\det(X - \text{ad } h) = \sum_{i=r}^n \Psi_i(q_1, \dots, q_n) X^i$ . From this it follows that

$$\det(X - \text{ad } \varphi_\lambda(h)) = \sum_{i=r}^n \Psi_i^{(\lambda)}(q_1(\lambda), \dots, q_n(\lambda)) X^i,$$

for any  $\lambda \in F$ . Since  $r = rk(\mathcal{L}/t\mathcal{L})$  we have  $\Psi_r^{(0)}(q_1(0), \dots, q_n(0)) \neq 0$  (by our choice of  $h$ ). But then  $\Psi_r^{(0)}(q_1, \dots, q_n)$  is a *nonzero* polynomial in  $t$ , hence there is a finite subset  $\Omega_1 \subset F$  such that  $\Psi_r^{(\lambda)}(q_1(\lambda), \dots, q_n(\lambda)) = 0$  if and only if  $\lambda \in \Omega_1$ .

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_r$  be a basis of the  $F[t]$ -module  $\mathcal{L}_h^0$ . By the choice of  $h$ , there are  $\mu_{ij} \in F$ , where  $1 \leq i < j \leq r$ , such that

$$\text{ad} \left( \sum_{i < j} \mu_{ij} [\varphi_0(v_i), \varphi_0(v_j)] \right)$$

acts nonnilpotently on  $\varphi_0(\mathcal{L})$ . Set

$$v := \sum_{i < j} \mu_{ij} [v_i, v_j].$$



Then  $v \in \mathcal{L}_h^0$  and  $\varphi_\lambda(v) = \sum_{i < j} \mu_{ij}[\varphi_\lambda(v_i), \varphi_\lambda(v_j)]$  for any  $\lambda \in F$ . Write  $v = \sum g_i e_i$  with  $g_i \in F[t]$ . One has

$$\det(X - \text{ad } \varphi_\lambda(v)) = \sum_{i=r}^n \Psi_i^{(\lambda)}(g_1(\lambda), \dots, g_n(\lambda)) X^i.$$

Since  $\text{ad } \varphi(v)$  is not nilpotent,  $\Psi_s^{(0)}(g_1(0), \dots, g_n(0)) \neq 0$  for some  $s$ . Then there is a finite subset  $\Omega_2 \subset F$  such that  $\Psi_s^{(\lambda)}(g_1(\lambda), \dots, g_n(\lambda)) = 0$  if and only if  $\lambda \in \Omega_2$ .

Let  $\xi \in F \setminus \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2 \cup \{0\}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}_\xi := (\varphi_\xi(\mathcal{L}))_{\varphi_\xi(h)}$ . By the choice of  $\xi$ ,  $\mathfrak{h}_\xi = \mathcal{L}_h^0 / (t - \xi)\mathcal{L}_h^0$  is an  $r$ -dimensional Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \xi)\mathcal{L}$  and  $\varphi_\xi(v) \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi^{(1)}$  acts nonnilpotently on  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \xi)\mathcal{L}$ . Recall that  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \xi)\mathcal{L} \cong L$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $\mathfrak{h}_\xi$  contains a 2-dimensional torus of  $\mathcal{L}/(t - \xi)\mathcal{L}$ . As  $\mathfrak{h}_\xi$  is nontriangular this torus is not standard. As  $L \neq \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  this contradicts [P 94, Theorem 1] completing the proof. ■

We summarize the results of this section as follows.

**PROPOSITION 4.21.** *Let  $(T, \mu, L_{(0)})$  be an admissible triple. Choose a standard filtration  $L = L_{(-s_1)} \supset \dots \supset L_{(0)} \supset \dots \supset L_{(s_2+1)} = (0)$  such that  $L_{(-1)}/L_{(0)}$  is  $L_{(0)}$ -irreducible and denote by  $G$  the associated graded Lie algebra  $\text{gr } L$ . Then  $G$  is simple and, moreover, a counterexample to Theorem 1.1.*

*Proof.* Set  $\overline{G} = G/M(G)$ . We proved in Section 3 that  $\overline{G}$  has a unique minimal ideal  $A(\overline{G})$ . Proposition 3.5 yields that  $A(\overline{G}) = S$  is a simple Lie algebra. Lemma 4.3 shows that  $TR(S) = 2$  while the results of Section 4 prove that  $S$  is not listed in Theorem 1.1. By the minimality of  $\dim L$ ,  $\dim S = \dim L$ ; i.e.,  $S = G$ . This proves the proposition. ■

## 5. GRADED COUNTEREXAMPLES

In this section we investigate certain graded simple Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$  with  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$ . Most of the graded Lie algebras we encounter will satisfy the conditions (g1), (g2), (g3). Our first result (based on [P-St 99, Sect. 7]) provides some information on the structure of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ . We set  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)} := \sum_{i \geq 0} \mathfrak{g}_i$ .

**PROPOSITION 5.1.** *Let  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$  be a graded simple Lie algebra over  $F$  satisfying (g1)–(g3), and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  the  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  in  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$ . Suppose  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  and there is a 2-dimensional torus  $\mathfrak{t} \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  such that  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{t}) \subset \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . Suppose in addition that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is not a Melikian algebra. Then one of the following occurs:*

(a)  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \oplus A(1; \underline{1})$ ,  $\dim \mathfrak{g}_{-1} = p$ ,  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(1)} \oplus A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  acts nilpotently on  $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}$ , and  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  is a 1-dimensional torus;

- (b)  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \oplus C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$ ,  $\dim \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \leq p$ , and  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$  is a 1-dimensional torus;
- (c)  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2) \oplus C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  and  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  is a 1-dimensional torus;
- (d)  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 / C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0) \subset H(2; \underline{1})$  and  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  is a 1-dimensional torus;
- (e) there exist  $S_1, S_2 \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1}), H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}\}$  such that  $S_1 \oplus S_2 \subset \mathfrak{g}_0 = \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset (\text{Der } S_1)^{(1)} \oplus (\text{Der } S_2)^{(1)}$ ;
- (f)  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cong (S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})) \oplus (\text{Id}_S \otimes W(1; \underline{1}))$ , where  $S \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ ;
- (g)  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset \text{Der}(H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))$ ,  $m \geq 1$ ,  $t \in \text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes F$  and  $\dim G_{-1} = (p^2 - 2)p^m$ ;
- (h)  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset \text{Der}(H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))$  and  $m \geq 1$ ;
- (i)  $S \subset \mathfrak{g}_0 \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset \text{Der } S$ , where  $S$  is a simple Lie algebra with  $TR(S) = 2$ .

*Proof.* (1) Suppose  $\text{rad } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \neq (0)$ . Then [P-St 99, Theorem 7.5] applies to  $\mathfrak{g}$ . If  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is as in case (a) of that theorem then  $\mathfrak{g} \cong W(1; \underline{2})$  and  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)} \cong W(1; \underline{2})_{(0)}$  (see [P-St 99, p. 281] for more detail). Since  $W(1; \underline{2})_{(0)}$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } W(1; \underline{2})$  (see, e.g., [St 97, Corollary 3.24]), this implies that  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is 1-dimensional. So there is no room for  $t$  in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is nonsolvable. The other possibilities left by [P-St 99, Theorem 7.5] involve restrictable algebras only. Thus  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = \mathfrak{g}_0 + C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$ . Let  $x \in C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  be such that  $[x, \mathfrak{g}_{-1}] = 0$ . By (g2), (g3),  $x$  must annihilate  $\mathfrak{g}$ ; i.e.,  $x = 0$ . Since  $\mathfrak{g}_{-1}$  is  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ -irreducible, we conclude  $\dim C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0) \leq 1$ . Suppose  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0) = (0)$ . Then there is not enough room in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = \mathfrak{g}_0$  for a 2-dimensional torus. Hence  $\dim C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) = 1$ . Applying [P-St 99, Theorem 7.5] now yields that  $(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, \mathfrak{g}_{-1})$  is as in cases (a)–(d) of the proposition.

(2) From now on suppose that  $\text{rad } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = (0)$ . Let  $\text{Soc } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  denote the sum of all minimal ideals of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . As each ideal of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ -stable, there are minimal ideals  $I_1, \dots, I_l$  of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  such that  $\text{Soc } \mathfrak{g}_0 = I_1 \oplus \dots \oplus I_l$  and  $I_j^{(1)} = I_j$  for each  $j \leq l$ . Note that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  acts faithfully on  $\text{Soc } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ .

(i) Suppose  $l \geq 2$ . As  $l \leq \sum_{j=1}^l TR(I_j) \leq TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  we then have  $l = 2$  and  $TR(I_1) = TR(I_2) = 1$ . By Block's theorem, there are simple Lie algebras  $S_1, S_2$  and nonnegative integers  $m_1, m_2$  such that  $I_j \cong S_j \otimes A(m_j; \underline{1})$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . Since  $TR(S_j) \leq TR(I_j) = 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , we must have that  $S_1, S_2 \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1}), H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}\}$  (by [P 94, Theorem 2]). Let  $\tilde{S}_j$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_j \otimes F$  in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . For  $j = 1, 2$ , let  $h_j \in S_j$  be such that  $\text{ad}_{S_j} h_j$  is not nilpotent. Let  $h_{j,s} \neq 0$  denote the semisimple part of  $h_j \otimes 1$  in  $\tilde{S}_j$ , and set  $t' := Fh_{1,s} \oplus Fh_{2,s}$ . Then  $t'$  is a torus in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ , and a torus of maximal dimension in the  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$  (as  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$ ). Put

$H' := C_{\mathfrak{g}_0}(t')$ . By [P 94, Theorem 1],  $H'$  acts triangulably on  $\mathfrak{g}$  (otherwise  $\mathfrak{g}$  would be a Melikian algebra). As  $t' \in \tilde{S}_1 + \tilde{S}_2$  we also have that  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = (I_1 \oplus I_2) + H'$ . This implies that  $I_j$  is a minimal ideal of  $I_j + H'$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . As  $H' \cap (S_j \otimes 1) \ni h_j \otimes 1$  acts nonnilpotently on  $I_j$ , [P-St 99, Lemma 1.8] shows that  $m_j = 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . Consequently,

$$S_1 \oplus S_2 \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset (\text{Der } S_1) \oplus (\text{Der } S_2).$$

Since  $S_1, S_2$  are restricted Lie algebras (see above), one has  $\tilde{S}_1 \oplus \tilde{S}_2 = S_1 \oplus S_2 + C(\tilde{S}_1 \oplus \tilde{S}_2)$ . But  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  acts faithfully on  $S_1 \oplus S_2$ . Then  $C(\tilde{S}_1 \oplus \tilde{S}_2) = (0)$  and  $S_1 \oplus S_2$  is a restricted ideal of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . As  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  contains no tori of dimension  $> 2$ , the restricted Lie algebra  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0/(S_1 \oplus S_2)$  is  $p$ -nilpotent. Therefore, if  $S_j \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  then  $\text{ad}_{S_j} \mathfrak{g}_0 \subset H(2; \underline{1}) = (\text{Der } S_j)^{(1)}$ . Then  $\text{ad}_{S_j} \mathfrak{g}_0$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der } S_j$ . If  $S_j \not\cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  then  $\text{Der } S_j = \text{ad}_{S_j}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  in all cases, and we are in case (e).

(ii) Suppose  $l = 1$ . Then  $\text{Soc } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cong S \otimes A(m; \underline{1})$ , where  $m \geq 0$  and  $S$  is a simple Lie algebra with  $TR(S) \leq 2$ . By Block's theorem,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  can be identified with a restricted subalgebra of  $\text{Der}(S \otimes A(m; \underline{1})) = ((\text{Der } S) \otimes A(m; \underline{1})) \oplus (\text{Id}_S \otimes W(m; \underline{1}))$ .

If  $m > 0$ ,  $TR(S) = 1$  and  $S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset (S \otimes A(m; \underline{1})) \oplus (\text{Id}_S \otimes W(m; \underline{1}))$  then [P-St 99, Proposition 7.7] shows that  $\mathfrak{g}_0 \cong (S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})) \oplus (\text{Id}_S \otimes W(1; \underline{1}))$  with  $S \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}_0 \cong \text{Der}(S \otimes A(1; \underline{1}))$ , whence  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = \mathfrak{g}_0$ . Then we are in case (f).

If  $m > 0$ ,  $TR(S) = 1$  and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is not as in the former case, then  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . As  $C_{\mathfrak{g}_0}(t) \cap \mathfrak{g}_{-1} = (0)$  the semidirect product  $(\text{Soc } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0) \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$  is as in case (2b) of [P-St 99, Theorem 3.2] with  $t_0 = 0$ . In particular,  $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \cong U \otimes A(m; \underline{1})$  where  $U$  is described in [P-St 99, Theorem 3.1(c)]. Since  $\dim U = p^2 - 2$  we are in case (g).

Now suppose  $m > 0$  and  $TR(S) = 2$ . Let  $t_1$  be a 2-dimensional torus in the  $p$ -envelope of  $S$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . Then  $t_1 \otimes F$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . Set  $H_1 := C_{\mathfrak{g}_0}(t_1 \otimes F)$ . Since  $[t_1 \otimes F, \mathfrak{g}_0] \subset S \otimes A(m; \underline{1})$  we have that  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) + H_1$ . By [P 94, Theorem 1],  $H_1$  acts triangulably on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Applying [P-St 99, Lemma 1.8] yields that  $H_1 \cap (S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))$  consists of nilpotent endomorphisms of  $S \otimes A(m; \underline{1})$ . This, in turn, means that  $C_S(t_1)$  acts nilpotently on  $S$ . But then any 1-section of  $S$  relative to  $t_1$  is nilpotent (by the Engel–Jacobson theorem). Combining the Block–Wilson inequality [P-St 99, Theorem 6.7] with [P-St 97, Theorem 8.3] we deduce that  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$ . This is case (h).

Suppose  $m = 0$  and  $TR(S) = 1$ . Then  $S \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset \text{Der } S$ . Since the torus  $t \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is 2-dimensional and  $S \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1}), H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}\}$  we must have  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . By [P-St 99, Proposition 7.6],  $C_{\mathfrak{g}_0}(t) \cap \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \neq (0)$  contradict-

ing one of our initial assumptions on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Thus the case under consideration does not occur. In other words, if  $m = 0$  then  $TR(S) = 2$  and we are in case (i). ■

LEMMA 5.2. *Let  $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i$  be as in Proposition 5.1. If  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is as in case (i) of Proposition 5.1 suppose in addition that  $S$  is listed in Theorem 1.1. Then there is a 2-dimensional torus  $t' \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  such that all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, t')$  are proper.*

*Proof.* (1) We first construct a 2-dimensional torus  $t' \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  such that all roots in  $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  are proper. Since  $0 \notin \Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  by definition, one has  $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t') = \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$ .

(a) Suppose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is listed in cases (a)–(d) of Proposition 5.1. Then  $C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  is a 1-dimensional torus. Choose a noncentral toral element  $h \in \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  stabilizing the standard maximal subalgebra of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0/C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$  (if  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0/C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  we allow  $h$  to be any noncentral toral element of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ ). Let  $t' = Fh \oplus C(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0)$ , then  $t'$  is a 2-dimensional torus of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  and, by construction, all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper.

(b) Suppose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is as in case (e). Then  $S_1, S_2$  are restricted subalgebras of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = \mathfrak{g}_0$ . Choose proper tori  $Fh_1$  and  $Fh_2$  of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , respectively, and set  $t' := Fh_1 \oplus Fh_2$ . Since  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = S_1 + S_2 + C_{\mathfrak{g}_0}(t')$ , all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper. Suppose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is as in case (f). Let  $Fh$  be a proper torus of  $S$  and  $t' := (Fh \otimes 1) \oplus (F \text{Id}_S \otimes xd/dx)$ . By construction, all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper. Suppose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is as in case (g). Then  $t = t_0 \otimes F$  with some 2-dimensional torus  $t_0 \subset \text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . Set  $Fh := t_0 \cap H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . By [Dem 72], we may assume that either  $Fh = F(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2)$  or  $Fh = F((1 + x_1)\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2)$ . A suitable toral switching yields another 2-dimensional torus  $t' = t'_0 \otimes F$  such that  $t'_0 \cap H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} = Fh' = F(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2)$ . As  $[h', t'_0] = (0)$  we obtain that  $t'_0$  normalizes  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)}$ . Then [B-W 82, Theorem 1.18.4] shows that  $t'_0$  is conjugate to  $Fx_1\partial_1 + Fx_2\partial_2$ . [St 92, Theorem III.4] now implies that all  $t'_0$ -roots are proper. Then all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper as well.

Suppose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is as in case (h). Set  $t' := t_1 \otimes F$ , where  $t_1$  is a 2-dimensional torus in the semisimple  $p$ -envelope  $S_p$  of  $S \cong H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$ . We mentioned in the proof of Proposition 5.1 that every 1-section with respect to  $t'$  is nilpotent. Define  $\alpha'(t) = \alpha(t \otimes 1)$  for  $t \in t_1$ . Then  $(S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))(\alpha) = S(\alpha') \otimes A(m; \underline{1})$  is nilpotent as well. As  $(S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))(\alpha)$  is an ideal of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0(\alpha)$  and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0(\alpha)/(S \otimes A(m; \underline{1}))(\alpha)$  is nilpotent, every root in  $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  is solvable, hence proper.

Finally, suppose that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  is as in case (i). Then  $S \subset \mathfrak{g}_0 \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset \text{Der } S$ , where  $S$  is a simple Lie algebra listed in Theorem 1.1.

If  $S$  is a classical Lie algebra of rank two, then  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 = S$ . Let  $t'$  be any 2-dimensional torus of  $S$ . A standard argument involving the Killing form on  $S$  shows that all roots in  $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  are classical (hence proper).

Suppose that  $S$  is a restricted Cartan type Lie algebra. If  $S = W(2; \underline{1})$  or  $K(3; \underline{1})$  then  $\text{Der } S \cong S$  (see, e.g., [St-F, (4.8.5), (4.8.8)]). If  $S = S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  then  $\text{Der } S \cong S(3; \underline{1}) \oplus Fx_1\partial_1$  (see [St-F, (4.8.6), (4.3.6)]). As  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  has no tori of dimension  $> 2$  we must have  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset S(3; \underline{1})$  in that case. If  $S = H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  then  $\text{Der } S = H(4; \underline{1}) \oplus F(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i\partial_i)$  (see [St-F, (4.8.7)]). It follows that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \subset H(4; \underline{1})$  in the latter case. Let  $t'$  be any 2-dimensional torus contained in the zero part of the standard grading of  $S$ , and  $\alpha \in \Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$ . If  $S$  is of type  $W$ ,  $S$  or  $K$  then using [St 92, Theorems IX.3, IX.4, IX.6] it is easy to see that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0(\alpha)$  contains a  $t'$ -stable compositionally classical subalgebra of codimension  $\leq 1$ . As a consequence,  $\alpha$  is a proper (and non-Hamiltonian) root of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$ . Suppose  $S = H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$  and put  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{0,(0)} := \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0 \cap H(4; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Adjust  $t'$  according to [St 92, Theorem IX.5]. By that theorem, there are Hamiltonian proper roots  $\beta_1, \beta_2 \in \Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  such that for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t') \setminus (\mathbb{F}_p\beta_1 \cup \mathbb{F}_p\beta_2)$  the 1-section  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0(\gamma)$  is contained in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{0,(0)}$ . Since  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{0,(0)}/\text{rad } \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{0,(0)} \cong \mathfrak{sp}(4)$  any such  $\gamma$  is either classical or solvable. As a consequence, all roots in  $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, t')$  are proper.

Suppose  $S = W(1; \underline{2})$  and let  $S_p$  denote the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $S$ . According to [St 92, Theorem V.4] or [B-W 88, Lemma 11.1.1], there is a 2-dimensional torus  $t' \subset S_p$  such that all  $t'$ -roots of  $S$  are proper. As  $\mathfrak{g}_0(\gamma) = S(\gamma) + C_{\mathfrak{g}_0(\gamma)}(t')$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  it follows that all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper as well.

Suppose  $S = H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta)$ . It is mentioned in [B-W 88, Lemma 2.1.8] that  $S_p = \text{Der } H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta) = H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta) + Fx_1\partial_1$ . Set  $t' := Fx_1\partial_1 \oplus Fx_2\partial_2$ . Since all roots in  $W(2; \underline{1})$  with respect to  $t'$  are proper, so are all roots in  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ .

Suppose  $S = H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$  and let  $S_p$  be as before. By [St 92, Theorem VII], any 1-section with respect to a 2-dimensional torus in  $t' \subset S_p$  is nilpotent. As  $\mathfrak{g}_0(\gamma) = S(\gamma) + C_{\mathfrak{g}_0(\gamma)}(t')$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$ , all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are solvable, hence proper.

Suppose  $S = H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ . By [B-W 88, Lemma 10.1.1] (which only requires the classification of simple Lie algebras of toral rank 1, hence is available for  $p > 3$ ), there is a 2-dimensional torus  $t'$  such that  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t') = \Gamma_p(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$ .

If  $S \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  then the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}$  contains a nonstandard 2-dimensional torus ([P 94, Lemma 4.1]). As  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  we then have  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  (by [P 94, Theorem 1]). This contradicts one of our initial assumptions on  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

(2) Thus there exists  $t' \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  such that all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}_0, t')$  are proper. We claim that all roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, t')$  are proper as well. Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, t')$  be a nonsolvable root. Clearly,  $\mathfrak{g}(\alpha) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) \cap \mathfrak{g}_i$  and  $\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} (\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)) \cap \mathfrak{g}_i$  (see [P-St 99, p. 285] for more detail). Therefore,

the quotient algebra  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] = \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)/\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded:

$$\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_i, \quad \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_i := \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) \cap \mathfrak{g}_i / (\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)) \cap \mathfrak{g}_i.$$

As explained in [P-St 99, pp. 193, 194],  $t'$  stabilizes  $\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \cong (t' + \mathfrak{g}(\alpha))/(t' \cap \ker \alpha + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha))$ , and the image of  $t'$  in  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$  is a maximal torus in  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$  spanned by a nonzero toral element  $t \in \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$ . As  $t' \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0$  we have that  $[t, \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_i] \subset \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_i$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . As a consequence,  $t \in \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0$  (for  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$  is centerless).

(a) Suppose  $\alpha$  is Hamiltonian. Then  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \subset H(2; \underline{1}) \subset W(2; \underline{1})$  and there is a generating set  $\{u_1, u_2\} \subset \mathcal{A}(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  such that the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$  is induced by  $(a_1, a_2)$ -grading of  $W(2; \underline{1})$  relative to  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  (Proposition 4.8). Suppose  $a_1 a_2 \neq 0$ . Then it follows from [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4] that  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0 \subset H(2; \underline{1}) \cap W(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . Then  $t \in H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . As a consequence,  $t'$  stabilizes the preimage of  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \cap H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}(\alpha)$ . This, in turn, shows that  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Now suppose that  $a_1 = 0, a_2 \neq 0$  (the case  $a_1 \neq 0, a_2 = 0$  is absolutely similar). Then  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  (by [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2), (5)]). As  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ , applying [P-St 99, Corollary 3.6(2)] now yields that  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Finally, suppose  $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] = \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0$  whence  $\mathfrak{g}(\alpha) = \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) \cap \mathfrak{g}_0 + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)$ . As  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  we again obtain that  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Thus all Hamiltonian roots in  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, t')$  are proper.

(b) Suppose  $\alpha$  is Witt. Then  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . If  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] = \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0$  then  $\mathfrak{g}(\alpha) = \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) \cap \mathfrak{g}_0 + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\alpha)$ ; hence  $\alpha$  is a proper root of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Assume that  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \neq \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0$ . Then Theorem 4.7 says that there is an automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $\mathcal{A}(1; \underline{1})$  and a nonzero  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$  is nothing but the  $a$ -grading of  $W(1; \underline{1})$  relative to  $\sigma(x)$ . In other words, there is an isomorphism  $\tau : \mathfrak{g}[\alpha] \xrightarrow{\sim} W(1; \underline{1})$  such that  $\tau(\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_{ai}) = W(1; \underline{1})_i$ , where the grading of  $W(1; \underline{1})$  is a canonical one. As  $t \in \mathfrak{g}[\alpha]_0$ , it stabilizes the (unique) standard maximal subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}[\alpha]$ . Then  $\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, t')$  must be proper. This completes the proof of the lemma. ■

We now begin an investigation of the pairs  $(G, t)$ , where

(5.1)  $G$  is a simple Lie algebra with  $TR(G) = 2$ , and a counterexample to Theorem 1.1;

(5.2)  $G$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded, and the grading  $G = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i$  of  $G$  satisfies the conditions (g1), (g2), (g3);

(5.3)  $t$  is a 2-dimensional standard torus contained in the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in  $\text{Der } G$ , and all roots in  $\Gamma := \Gamma(G, t)$  are proper;

(5.4) the subalgebra  $\tilde{R}(G, t) := C_G(t) \oplus \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} R_\gamma(G, t)$  is contained in  $G_{(0)} := \sum_{i \geq 0} G_i$ ;

(5.5) any simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  with  $TR(\mathfrak{g}) = 2$  and  $\dim \mathfrak{g} < \dim G$  is listed in Theorem 1.1.

We denote by  $\mathfrak{S}$  the set of all pairs  $(G, \mathfrak{t})$  satisfying (5.1)–(5.5).

PROPOSITION 5.3.  $\mathfrak{S} \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(T, \alpha, L_{(0)})$  be an admissible triple. Let  $L_{(-1)}$  be any  $L_{(0)}$ -invariant subspace such that  $L \supset L_{(-1)} \supsetneq L_{(0)}$  and  $L_{(-1)}/L_{(0)}$  is  $L_{(0)}$ -irreducible, and let  $G = \text{gr}(L)$  be the graded Lie algebra associated with the standard filtration of  $L$  induced by  $(L_{(0)}, L_{(-1)})$ . By Proposition 4.21,  $G$  is simple and a counterexample to Theorem 1.1. We identify  $T$  with a 2-dimensional torus in the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in  $\text{Der } G$  (which we can in view of Lemma 2.1). The pair  $(G, T)$  satisfies the conditions of Lemma 5.2 (for  $\dim G_0 < \dim L$  in case (i) of Proposition 5.1). Lemma 5.2 says that there is a 2-dimensional standard torus  $T'$  in the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in  $\text{Der } G$  such that all roots in  $\Gamma(G, T')$  are proper. The pair  $(G, T')$  satisfies the conditions (5.1)–(5.3) and (5.5).

Let  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  be a pair satisfying (5.1)–(5.3) and (5.5) and such that  $\dim \tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  is maximal possible among all such pairs. We now start all over again replacing  $(L, T)$  by  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ . Choose an admissible triple  $(\mathfrak{t}, \alpha, \mathfrak{g}_{(0)})$  (we do not require that  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$  be homogeneous with respect to the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading), take  $\mathfrak{g}_{(-1)}$  as before, and let  $S$  denote the graded Lie algebra associated with the standard filtration of  $\mathfrak{g}$  induced by  $(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}, \mathfrak{g}_{(-1)})$ . By Proposition 4.21,  $S$  is simple. As before, we identify  $\mathfrak{t}$  with a 2-dimensional torus in the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . By construction, the pair  $(S, \mathfrak{t})$  satisfies (5.1), (5.2), and (5.5).

We claim that  $(S, \mathfrak{t})$  satisfies (5.3) as well. According to Lemma 2.1 we have to show that  $\Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t}) = \Gamma_p(S, \mathfrak{t})$ . As  $(\mathfrak{t}, \alpha, \mathfrak{g}_{(0)})$  is admissible,  $\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t}) \subset \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . Also,  $\text{gr}(\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t}))$  is a subalgebra of  $\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}) = S$  contained in  $\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}) = \sum_{i \geq 0} S_i$ . Let  $\bar{x} \in \text{gr}_i(R_\gamma)$  and  $\bar{y} \in S_{j, -\gamma}$ . If  $j \neq -i$  then  $[\bar{x}, \bar{y}] \in S_{i+j}$  acts nilpotently on  $S$ . Now assume  $j = -i$  and choose  $x \in R_\gamma \cap \mathfrak{g}_{(i)} + \mathfrak{g}_{(i+1)}$  and  $y \in \mathfrak{g}_{(-i), -\gamma} + \mathfrak{g}_{(-i+1)}$  such that  $\text{gr}_i(x) = \bar{x}$  and  $\text{gr}_{-i}(y) = \bar{y}$ . Then  $[\bar{x}, \bar{y}] = \text{gr}_0([x, y]) \in ([R_\gamma, \mathfrak{g}_{-\gamma}] \cap \mathfrak{g}_{(0)} + \mathfrak{g}_{(1)})/\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$ . Again we obtain that  $[\bar{x}, \bar{y}]$  acts nilpotently on  $S$ . As a consequence,

$$\text{gr}(\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})) \subset \tilde{R}(S, \mathfrak{t}).$$

Note that  $\Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t}) = \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  (as subsets of  $\mathfrak{t}^*$ ) and  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t}) = \Gamma_p(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ . Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  be solvable, classical, or Witt. Combining [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6] with [P-St 99, Lemmas 1.1, 1.4] one observes that there is  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $\mathfrak{g}_{i\gamma} = R_{i\gamma}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ . But then  $S_{i\gamma} = \text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}_{i\gamma}) \subset R_{i\gamma}(S, \mathfrak{t}) \subset K_{i\gamma}(S, \mathfrak{t})$ . It follows that  $\gamma \in \Gamma_p(S, \mathfrak{t})$  (by [P-St 99, Lemma 1.1]).

Let  $\mu \in \Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t})$  be improper. By the preceding remark,  $\mu \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  must be (proper) Hamiltonian. Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes the standard maximal

subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}(\mu)$ . Note that  $\dim \mathfrak{g}(\mu)/\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)} = 2$  and  $\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)}/\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . Clearly,  $\dim S(\mu)/\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)}) = 2$ ,  $\text{gr}(\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})$  is a solvable ideal of  $\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})$  and  $\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})/\text{rad } \text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})$  is a homomorphic image of the quotient  $\text{gr}(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})/\text{gr}(\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})$ . The latter is 3-dimensional, hence either solvable or isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . As a consequence,  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes a compositionally classical (or solvable) subalgebra of codimension 2 in  $S(\mu)$ . If  $S(\mu)^{(\infty)} \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  then it must be the standard maximal subalgebra. This, however, would make  $\mu$  a proper root of  $S$ . Thus  $\mu$  is a Witt root of  $S$ .

As is explained in [P-St 99, pp. 193 and 194],  $\mathfrak{t}$  preserves  $\text{rad } S(\mu)$  and acts as homogeneous derivations on  $S[\mu] = S(\mu)/\text{rad } S(\mu)$ , where the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading of  $S[\mu] \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  is induced by the present grading of  $S$ . Suppose the grading of  $S[\mu]$  is trivial. Then  $S(\mu) \subset S_0 + \text{rad } S(\mu)$  forcing

$$S[\mu] \cong W(1; \underline{1}) \cong S_0[\mu] = S_0(\mu)/\text{rad } S_0(\mu).$$

Recall that  $S_0 = \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}/\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}_{(1)}$  is a nilpotent ideal of  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}$ . Therefore,

$$\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu)/\text{rad } \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu) \cong W(1; \underline{1}).$$

By [P-St 99, pp. 193 and 194], there is a Lie algebra epimorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \pi : \mathfrak{t} + \mathfrak{g}(\mu) &\rightarrow (\mathfrak{t} + \mathfrak{g}(\mu))/(\mathfrak{t} \cap \ker \mu + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}(\mu)) \\ &= \mathfrak{g}[\mu] \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} + \pi(C_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{t})) \end{aligned}$$

(we identify  $\mathfrak{g}[\mu]^{(\infty)} \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  with  $D_H(A(2; \underline{1}))^{(1)} \subset W(2; \underline{1})$ ). Since  $\mu \in \Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$  is proper Hamiltonian we may choose  $\pi$  such that  $\pi(\mathfrak{t}) = F(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2)$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes the subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu) \cap \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)}$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes the subalgebra

$$M := \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu) \cap \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)} + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu).$$

Note that  $\pi(M) \subset \pi(\mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)}) \subset H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  is solvable or compositionally classical.

As  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{t}) \subset \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu)$ ,  $\pi(M)$  contains  $D_H(x_1^{p-2}x_2^{p-2})$ . Suppose  $\pi(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu))$  is a transitive subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$ ; i.e., it contains elements  $\partial_1 + E_1$ ,  $\partial_2 + E_2$  with  $E_1, E_2 \in H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}^{(2)}$ . It is routine to check that for  $p > 3$ , the Lie subalgebra generated by  $\partial_1 + E_1$ ,  $\partial_2 + E_2$  and  $D_H(x_1^{p-2}x_2^{p-2})$  coincides with  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . But then  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  is contained in  $\pi(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu))$  contrary to the fact that  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu)$  is of Witt type. As a consequence, the linear mapping  $H(2; \underline{1}) \rightarrow H(2; \underline{1})/H(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$  is not surjective when restricted to  $\pi(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu))$ . Therefore, the subalgebra  $\pi(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu) \cap \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)})$  has codimension  $\leq 1$  in  $\pi(\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu))$ . Considering preimages it is immediate that the compositionally classical (or solvable)  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant subalgebra



$\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu) \cap \mathfrak{g}(\mu)_{(0)} + \text{rad } \mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu)$  has codimension  $\leq 1$  in  $\mathfrak{g}_{(0)}(\mu)$ . This, in turn, shows that  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes a compositionally classical or solvable subalgebra of codimension  $\leq 1$  in  $S_0(\mu)$ . As  $S[\mu] = S_0[\mu] = S_0(\mu)/\text{rad } S_0(\mu) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , this contradicts our assumption that  $\mu \in \Gamma(S, \mathfrak{t})$  is improper ([P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(5)]).

Thus the grading of  $S[\mu]$  is nontrivial. By Theorem 4.7, there are a nonzero  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and an isomorphism  $\tau : S[\mu] \xrightarrow{\sim} W(1; \underline{1})$  such that  $\tau(S[\mu]_{ai}) = W(1; \underline{1})_i$ , where the grading of  $W(1; \underline{1})$  is a canonical one. By our earlier remarks,  $\mathfrak{t}$  acts on  $S[\mu]$  via a restricted Lie algebra homomorphism  $\Psi : \mathfrak{t} \rightarrow S_0[\mu]$ . Hence  $\tau(\Psi(\mathfrak{t})) \subset W(1; \underline{1})_0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes a solvable subalgebra of codimension 1 in  $S(\mu)$ , forcing  $\mu \in \Gamma_p(S, \mathfrak{t})$ . This contradiction shows that  $(S, \mathfrak{t})$  satisfies (5.3).

We have mentioned above that  $\text{gr}(\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})) \subset \tilde{R}(S, \mathfrak{t})$ . By the maximality property of  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ , we therefore have that  $\tilde{R}(S, \mathfrak{t}) = \text{gr}(\tilde{R}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})) \subset S_{(0)}$ . In other words,  $(S, \mathfrak{t})$  satisfies (5.4) as well, hence belongs to  $\mathfrak{S}$ . ■

In the next lemma, we assume that  $S = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} S_i$  is a finite dimensional  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded simple Lie algebra over  $F$ , and  $T$  a 2-dimensional torus in the  $p$ -envelope of  $S_0$  in  $\text{Der } S$ . We also assume that  $TR(S) = 2$  and  $S \not\cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . However, we do not require that (g1)–(g3) hold for  $S$  and we do not assume that  $C_S(T) \subset \sum_{i \geq 0} S_i$ . Let  $\Gamma = \Gamma(S, T) \subset T^* \setminus \{0\}$  be the root system of  $S$  relative to  $T$ ,  $H = C_S(T)$ , and  $S = H \oplus \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} S_\gamma$  the root space decomposition of  $S$  relative to  $T$ . As  $S \not\cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ ,  $H$  acts triangulably on  $S$ . So each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  can be viewed as a linear function on  $H$  (see [P-St 99, p. 191] for more detail). Given  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  set  $K_{i, \gamma} = S_{i, \gamma} \cap K(S, T)$  and  $R_{i, \gamma} = S_{i, \gamma} \cap R(S, T)$ , where  $S_{i, \gamma} = S_i \cap S_\gamma$ .

LEMMA 5.4. *For any  $\mu \in \Gamma$ , the following are true.*

1. *Both  $\tilde{K}(S, T)$  and  $\tilde{R}(S, T)$  are homogenous subalgebras of  $S$ ; i.e.,*

$$\tilde{K}(S, T) = H \oplus \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} K_{i, j\mu},$$

$$\tilde{R}(S, T) = H \oplus \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*} R_{i, j\mu}.$$

2. *For any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\dim S_{i, \mu}/R_{i, \mu} \leq 2 \dim S_{i, \mu}/K_{i, \mu}$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Let  $x \in K_{j\mu}(S, T)$ , where  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Then  $x = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} x_i$ , where  $x_i \in S_{i, j\mu}$  (because each  $S_i$  is  $\mathfrak{t}$ -stable). If  $k \neq -i$ , the subspace  $[x_i, S_k] \subset S_{i+k}$  consists of ad-nilpotent elements of  $S$ , and

$$[x_i, S_{-i, -j\mu}] \subset \sum_{k \neq i} [x_k, S_{-i}] \cap H + [x, S_{-i, -j\mu}]$$

$$\subset \text{nil } H + [x, S_{-j\mu}] \subset \ker \mu.$$

Hence  $x_i \in K_{i, j\mu}$  for all  $i$ ; i.e.,  $\tilde{K}(S, T)$  is homogeneous. Arguing in a similar fashion one obtains that  $\tilde{R}(S, T)$  is homogeneous as well.

(2) Let  $RK_{i, \mu} = K_{i, \mu} \cap RK_\mu(S, T)$  and  $\nu \in \Gamma(S, T) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \mu$ . As  $[RK_{i, \mu}, K_{-i, -\mu}] \subset \text{nil } H$ , composing  $\nu$  with the Lie product of  $S$  induces a linear map of  $RK_{i, \mu}$  into  $\text{Hom}(S_{-i, -\mu}/K_{-i, -\mu}, F)$ . As  $[RK_{i, \mu}, S_k]$  consists of ad-nilpotent elements of  $S$  for  $k \neq -i$ , the kernel of the map contains  $R_{i, \mu}$ . This gives  $\dim RK_{i, \mu}/R_{i, \mu} \leq \dim S_{-i, -\mu}/K_{-i, -\mu}$ . Arguing in a similar fashion one observes that  $\mu$  and the Lie product of  $S$  induce a nondegenerate pairing between  $S_{i, \mu}/K_{i, \mu}$  and  $S_{-i, -\mu}/K_{-i, -\mu}$ . By [P-St 99, Theorem 8.6],  $K_\mu(S, T) = RK_\mu(S, T)$  forcing  $K_{i, \mu} = RK_{i, \mu}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim S_{i, \mu}/R_{i, \mu} &= \dim S_{i, \mu}/K_{i, \mu} + \dim RK_{i, \mu}/R_{i, \mu} \\ &\leq \dim S_{i, \mu}/K_{i, \mu} + \dim S_{-i, -\mu}/K_{-i, -\mu} \\ &= 2 \dim S_{i, \mu}/K_{i, \mu} \end{aligned}$$

as desired. ■

LEMMA 5.5. *Let  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and let  $\mu \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  be a Hamiltonian root. The following are true.*

1. *If  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu)$  then  $G(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}$ .*
2.  *$G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \not\cong W(1; \underline{1})$ .*
3. *If  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  then there are  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and a positive  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that*
  - (a)  $G_{i_0\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$  for all  $i \neq \pm i_0$ ;
  - (b)  $\dim G_{i_0\mu}/G_{(0)} \cap G_{i_0\mu} \leq 2$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ;
  - (c)  $G(\mu) = G_{-a, -i_0\mu} + G_{-a, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu)$ .
4. *If  $G_0(\mu)$  is solvable then there are  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a_1 > a_2 \geq a_1 - a_2$ , and*
  - (a)  $G_{i_0\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$  for all  $i \neq \pm i_0, 2i_0$ ;
  - (b)  $\dim G_{i_0\mu}/G_{(0)} \cap G_{i_0\mu} \leq 2$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ;
  - (c)  $G(\mu) = G_{-a_1, i_0\mu} + G_{-a_2, -i_0\mu} + G_{a_2 - a_1, 2i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu)$ .

*Proof.* Set  $M := G(\mu)/\text{rad } G(\mu)$ . As  $\text{rad } G(\mu)$  is a graded ideal of  $G(\mu)$  the Lie algebra  $M$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded:  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} M_i$ , where  $M_i \cong G_i(\mu)/G_i(\mu) \cap \text{rad } G(\mu)$ . As  $\mu$  is Hamiltonian,  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset M \subset H(2; \underline{1})$ . As before, we identify  $M$  with a subalgebra of  $W(2; \underline{1})$  containing  $D_H(A(2; \underline{1}))^{(1)}$ . According to Proposition 4.8 the grading of  $M$  is induced by the  $(a_1, a_2)$ -grading with respect to generators  $u_1, u_2$  of  $A(2; \underline{1})$ . To keep the notation simple we assume (without loss of generality) that  $u_i = x_i, i = 1, 2$ .

By [P-St 99, pp. 193/94],  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes  $\text{rad } G(\mu)$ ,

$$(\mathfrak{t} + G(\mu)) / (\mathfrak{t} \cap \ker \mu + \text{rad } G(\mu)) \cong M,$$

and the image of  $\mathfrak{t}$  in  $M$  is spanned by a nonzero toral element  $t$ . As  $\mathfrak{t}$  acts on  $G(\mu)$  as homogeneous derivations,  $t \in (\text{Der}_0 M) \cap M = M_0$ . As  $\mu \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  is proper,  $Ft$  is a proper torus of  $M$ . By using [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(5), (2)] one now easily derives that  $t \in M_0 \cap W(2; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ . The description of  $M_0$  given in [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2)(c), (5)] forces  $t = r(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2) + D$ , where  $r \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $D \in M_0 \cap W(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}$ . Rescaling  $t$  if necessary we may assume  $r = 1$ .

(1) Suppose  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \subset M_0/\text{rad } M_0$ . Let  $\pi : G(\mu) \rightarrow G(\mu)/\text{rad } G(\mu)$ . Then  $\pi(G(\mu)) = \pi(G_0(\mu))$ , giving  $G(\mu) = G_{(0)}(\mu) + \text{rad } G(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}(\mu) + \tilde{K}(\mu)$ . As  $\tilde{K}(\mu)$  is a homogeneous subalgebra of  $G(\mu)$  (Lemma 5.4(1)), this implies  $\dim G_{i,j\mu}/K_{i,j\mu} = 0$  whenever  $i < 0$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Applying Lemma 5.4(2) we get  $G_{i,j\mu} \subset \tilde{R}(G, \mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$  for all  $i < 0$  and all  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Hence  $G(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}$  in this case.

(2) Suppose  $M_0/\text{rad } M_0 \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . Then it follows from [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4] that either  $a_2 \neq 0$  and  $a_1 = 0$  or  $a_2 = 0$  and  $a_1 \neq 0$ . By symmetry, we may assume that  $a_2 \neq 0$  and  $a_1 = 0$ . Since  $C_G(\mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}(\mu)$ , [P-St 99, Theorem 3.5(3)] shows that  $a_2 > 0$ .

By [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(2)(d)],  $\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} Fx_1^i \partial_2 \subset M_{-a_2} \subset \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} Fx_1^i \partial_2$ . Note that  $C_M(t) \subset M_{(0)}$ . It follows that the restricted  $M_0$ -module  $M_{-a_2}$  has no zero weight relative to  $Ft$ . But  $[t, Fx_1^{p-1} \partial_2] = F[D, x_1^{p-1} \partial_2] \cap M_{-a_2} \subset W(2; \underline{1})_{(p-1)} \cap M_{-a_2} = (0)$ . As a consequence,  $x_1^{p-1} \partial_2 \notin M_{-a_2}$ ; that is,  $M_{-a_2} = \sum_{i=0}^{p-2} Fx_1^i \partial_2$ . The vectors  $x_1^i \partial_2$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq p-2$ , have pairwise distinct weights relative to  $F(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2) \subset M_0$ . Applying [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(2)] shows that all weight spaces of  $M_{-a_2}$  relative to  $Ft$  are 1-dimensional. As  $[D, x_1^{p-2} \partial_2] \in M_{-a_2} \cap W(2; \underline{1})_{(p-2)} = (0)$  we have that  $[t, x_1^{p-2} \partial_2] = [x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2, x_1^{p-2} \partial_2] = -x_1^{p-2} \partial_2$ ; i.e.,  $M_{-a_2, -\mu} = Fx_1^{p-2} \partial_2$ . As  $p > 3$ ,  $[M_{-a_2, -\mu}, M_\mu] \subset C_M(t) \cap W(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}$  consists of ad-nilpotent endomorphisms of  $M$ . From this it is immediate that  $G_{-a_2, -\mu} = K_{-a_2, -\mu}$ . By Lemma 5.4(2)  $G_{-a_2, -\mu} = R_{-a_2, -\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$ . As  $a_2 > 0$ , this is impossible proving (2).

(3) Suppose  $M_0/\text{rad } M_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . Then it follows from [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4] that  $M_0 \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  and  $a_1 = a_2 \neq 0$ . By [P-St 99, Theorem 3.5(3)],  $a_2 > 0$ . Applying [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4(3)] now gives  $M = M_{-a_2} + M_{(0)}$  and  $M_{-a_2} = F\partial_1 \oplus F\partial_2$ . This implies that there is  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $M_{-a_2} = \tilde{M}_{-a_2, -i_0\mu} + M_{-a_2, i_0\mu}$ , and as in (1) one concludes

$$G_{j, i\mu} = K_{j, i\mu} = R_{j, i\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$$

whenever  $j < 0$  and  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^* \setminus \{\pm i_0\}$ . But then

$$G(\mu) \subset G_{-a_2, -i_0\mu} + G_{-a_2, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu).$$

This establishes (a) and (c). For (b), observe that, in view of Lemma 5.4(2),

$$\begin{aligned} \dim G_{-a_2, \pm i_0\mu} &\leq 2 \dim G_{-a_2, \pm i_0\mu} / K_{-a_2, \pm i_0\mu} \\ &\leq 2 \dim M_{-a_2, \pm i_0\mu} = 2. \end{aligned}$$

(4) Suppose  $M_0$  is solvable. Then it follows from [P-St 99, Corollary 3.4] that  $0 \neq a_1 \neq a_2 \neq 0$ . Now  $\text{ad } t$  is semisimple and preserves the factor spaces  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} / H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)}$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)} / H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)}$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)} / H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2)}$ . By Eq. (12),  $D_H(x_1) \in M_{-a_2}$ ,  $D_H(x_2) \in M_{-a_1}$ ,  $D_H(x_1^2) \in M_{a_1-a_2}$ ,  $D_H(x_2^2) \in M_{a_2-a_1}$ ,  $D_H(x_1^2x_2) \in M_{a_1}$ , and  $D_H(x_1x_2^2) \in M_{a_2}$ . It follows that there exist

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)} \cap M_{-a_2}, & w_2 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(0)} \cap M_{-a_1}, \\ w_3 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)} \cap M_{a_1-a_2}, & w_4 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(1)} \cap M_{a_2-a_1}, \\ w_5 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2)} \cap M_{a_1}, & w_6 &\in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2)} \cap M_{a_2} \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &:= D_H(x_1) + w_1, & v_2 &:= D_H(x_2) + w_2, & v_3 &:= D_H(x_1^2) + w_3, \\ v_4 &:= D_H(x_2^2) + w_4, & v_5 &:= D_H(x_1^2x_2) + w_5, & v_6 &:= D_H(x_1x_2^2) + w_6 \end{aligned}$$

are homogeneous eigenvectors for  $\text{ad } t$  whose respective eigenvalues are 1,  $-1$ , 2,  $-2$ , 1,  $-1$ . Set  $V := \sum_{i=1}^6 Fv_i$ . Clearly,  $V$  is a homogeneous ( $\text{ad } t$ ) stable subspace of  $M$ . By construction, for any  $i \leq 6$  there is  $i' \leq 6$  such that  $[v_i, v_{i'}] \equiv \lambda(i, i')t \pmod{C_M(t) \cap H(2; \underline{1})_{(1)}}$ , where  $\lambda(i, i') \in F^*$ . As a consequence,  $V \cap \tilde{K}(M, Ft) = (0)$ . On the other hand, [P-St 99, Lemma 1.1(5)] shows that  $\tilde{K}(M, Ft)$  has codimension 6 in  $M$ . This implies that  $M = V \oplus \tilde{K}(M, Ft)$ . Since

$$V \subset M_{-a_2} + M_{-a_1} + M_{a_1-a_2} + M_{a_2-a_1} + M_{a_1} + M_{a_2}$$

we obtain as in (1) that  $G_i(\mu) = K_i(\mu) = R_i(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}$  whenever  $i \notin \{\pm a_1, \pm a_2, \pm(a_1 - a_2)\}$ . Therefore,

$$M = M_{-|a_1|} + M_{-|a_2|} + M_{-|a_1-a_2|} + M_{(0)},$$

$$G(\mu) = G_{-|a_1|}(\mu) + G_{-|a_2|}(\mu) + G_{-|a_1-a_2|}(\mu) + G_{(0)}(\mu).$$

Now  $D_H(x_1^{p-2}x_2^{p-2}) \in C_M(x_1\partial_1 - x_2\partial_2) \cap M_{(p-3)\chi(a_1+a_2)}$ . As  $\text{ad } t$  is semisimple and preserves  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2p-6)} / H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2p-5)}$ , there is  $w \in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(2p-5)} \cap M_{(p-3)\chi(a_1+a_2)}$  such that

$$D_H(x_1^{p-2}x_2^{p-2}) + w \in C_M(t) \cap M_{(p-3)\chi(a_1+a_2)}.$$

As  $C_G(t) \subset G_{(0)}$  we must have  $C_M(t) \subset M_{(0)}$  forcing  $a_1 + a_2 \geq 0$ . Renumbering  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  if necessary we may (and will) assume that  $a_1 > a_2$ .

Suppose  $a_2 < 0$ . Then  $a_1 > 0$  and  $D_H(x_2^i) \in M_{(i-1)a_2 - a_1}$  for  $1 \leq i < p$ . Since  $p > 3$  and  $M$  has no more than three negative components, this is impossible. Hence  $a_2 \geq 0$ . Consequently,  $a_1 > a_2 > 0$ . Then  $M = Fv_1 \oplus Fv_2 \oplus Fv_4 \oplus (M_{(0)} + \tilde{K}(M, Ft))$ . By the above,  $\text{ad } t$  has eigenvalues  $1, -1, -2$  on  $Fv_1, Fv_2, Fv_4$ , respectively. Let  $i_0 := -\mu(t)^{-1}$ . Then  $M = M_{-a_1, -i_0\mu} + M_{-a_2, i_0\mu} + M_{a_2 - a_1, 2i_0\mu} + M_{(0)} + \tilde{K}(M, Ft)$ . As in (1) this gives

$$G_{j, i\mu} = K_{j, i\mu} = R_{j, i\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$$

unless  $(j, i) \in \{(-a_1, -i_0), (-a_2, i_0), (a_2 - a_1, 2i_0)\}$ . In view of Lemma 5.4(2),

$$\dim G_{i\mu}/G_{(0), i\mu} \leq 2 \dim G_{i\mu}/K_{i\mu} = 2 \dim M_{i\mu}/K(M, Ft)_{i\mu} \leq 2$$

for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Finally,  $D_H(x_2^3) \in M_{2a_2 - a_1, 3i_0\mu}$ . As  $a_1, a_2 \neq 0$  the pair  $(2a_2 - a_1, 3i_0)$  is not contained in  $\{(-a_1, -i_0), (-a_2, i_0), (a_2 - a_1, 2i_0)\}$ . Hence  $2a_2 - a_1 \geq 0$ . This completes the proof of the lemma. ■

LEMMA 5.6. *Let  $(G, t) \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and let  $\mu \in \Gamma(G, t)$  be a Witt root. The following are true.*

1. *If  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  then  $G(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}$ .*
2.  *$G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \not\cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ .*
3. *Suppose  $G_0(\mu)$  is solvable. Then there are  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $a > 0$  such that*
  - (a)  *$G_{i\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$  for all  $i \neq i_0$ ;*
  - (b)  *$\dim G_{i\mu}/G_{i\mu} \cap G_{(0)} \leq 2$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ;*
  - (c)  *$G(\mu) = G_{-a, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu)$ .*

*Proof.* Set  $M := G(\mu)/\text{rad } G(\mu)$ . As  $\text{rad } G(\mu)$  is a graded ideal of  $G(\mu) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} G_i(\mu)$ , the Lie algebra  $M$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded. Namely,  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} M_i$ , where  $M_i \cong G_i(\mu)/G_i(\mu) \cap \text{rad } G(\mu)$ .

(a) Suppose  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . As  $\text{rad } G_0(\mu)$  contains  $G_0(\mu) \cap \text{rad } G(\mu)$  and  $M \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  by assumption, we must have  $M = M_0$ . It follows that  $G(\mu) = G_0(\mu) + \text{rad } G(\mu) \subset G_0(\mu) + \tilde{K}(\mu)$ . Hence  $G_{i, j\mu} = K_{i, j\mu}$  for all  $i < 0$  and all  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Applying Lemma 5.4(2) gives  $G_{i, j\mu} \subset \tilde{R}(G, t)$  whenever  $i < 0$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Since  $\tilde{R}(G, t) \subset G_{(0)}$ , statement (1) follows.

(b) From now on suppose that  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \not\cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . This implies that  $M \neq M_0$ . The grading of  $M$  induces a nontrivial grading of  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . By Theorem 4.7, there is  $a \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  and an isomorphism

$\tau : M \xrightarrow{\sim} W(1; \underline{1})$  such that  $\tau(M_{ia}) = W(1; \underline{1})_i$  for all  $i$ , where  $(W(1; \underline{1})_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$  denotes the canonical grading of  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . In other words, no generality is lost by assuming that  $M_j = (0)$  for  $j \notin a\mathbb{Z}$  and  $M_{ia} = Fx^{i+1}d/dx$  for  $i = -1, 0, 1, \dots, p - 2$ .

As a consequence,  $M_0 = Fxd/dx$ , so that  $\dim G_0(\mu)/G_0(\mu) \cap \text{rad } G(\mu) = 1$ . Then  $G_0(\mu)$  is solvable proving (2). Also,

$$M_{(p-2)a} = Fx^{p-1}d/dx \subset K(M, Ft);$$

hence  $G_{(p-2)a}(\mu) = K_{(p-2)a}(\mu)$ . By Lemma 5.4(2),  $G_{(p-2)a}(\mu) \subset \tilde{R}_{(p-2)a}(G, \mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$ . This gives  $a > 0$ . Now it is clear that

$$M = M_{-a} \oplus \sum_{i \geq 0} M_{ia} \text{ and } M_{-a} = Fd/dx.$$

Now  $\mathfrak{t}$  stabilizes  $\text{rad } G(\mu)$  and  $(\mathfrak{t} + G(\mu))/(\mathfrak{t} \cap \ker \mu + \text{rad } G(\mu)) \cong M$ , and the image of  $\mathfrak{t}$  in  $M$  is spanned by a nonzero toral element  $t$  (see [P-St 99, pp. 193 and 194]). Since  $t \in (\text{Der}_0 M) \cap M_0$  we have  $Ft = Fxd/dx$ . This implies that all weight spaces of  $M$  relative to  $\mathfrak{t}$  are 1-dimensional. Choose  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $M_{i_0\mu} = Fd/dx$ . Then  $G(\mu) = G_{-a, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu) + \tilde{K}(\mu)$ . Applying Lemma 5.4 we now deduce that

$$G(\mu) = G_{-a, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu)$$

and, moreover,

$$\dim G_{i_0\mu}/G_{i_0\mu} \cap G_{(0)} \leq 2.$$

Statement (3) follows completing the proof. ■

LEMMA 5.7. *Let  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and let  $\mu \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  be a classical root. The following are true.*

1. *If  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  then  $G(\mu) \subset G_{(0)}$ .*
2. *Suppose  $G_0(\mu)$  is solvable. Then there are  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $a > 0$  such that*
  - (a)  $G_{i\mu} \subset G_{(0)}$  for all  $i \neq i_0$ ;
  - (b)  $\dim G_{i\mu}/G_{i\mu} \cap G_{(0)} \leq 2$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ ;
  - (c)  $G(\mu) = G_{-a, i_0\mu} + G_{(0)}(\mu)$ .

The proof of this lemma is very similar to the proof of Lemma 5.6 and will be omitted.

LEMMA 5.8. *Let  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and let  $\mu \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  be a solvable root. Then  $G(\mu) = G_{(0)}(\mu)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\mu$  is solvable,  $G_{i\mu} = K_{i\mu}$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Then  $G_{j,i\mu} = K_{j,i\mu}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $i \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . Now apply Lemma 5.4 and use the inclusion  $\tilde{R}(G, \mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$ . ■

Set  $\Gamma := \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , set  $\Gamma_k = \Gamma(G_k, \mathfrak{t})$ , and put  $\Gamma_- = \cup_{i < 0} \Gamma_i$ . We summarize as follows.

LEMMA 5.9. *Let  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $\mu \in \Gamma$ . The following are true.*

1.  $|\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_-| \leq 3$  and  $|\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})| \leq 3(p + 1)$ ; if  $|\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_-| = 3$  then  $\mu$  is Hamiltonian,  $G_0(\mu)$  is solvable, and either  $|\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_j| \leq 1$  for all  $j < 0$  or  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_{j_0} = \{-i_0 \mu, 2i_0 \mu\}$  for some  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $j_0 < 0$ ; if  $|\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_-| = 2$  then  $\mu$  is Hamiltonian,  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ , and  $\mathbb{F}_p^* \mu \cap \Gamma_{j_0} = \{\pm i_0 \mu\}$  for some  $i_0 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  and  $j_0 < 0$ ;
2.  $\dim G_\mu/G_{(0), \mu} \leq 2$ .
3. If  $G_0(\mu)/\text{rad } G_0(\mu) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , then  $G(\mu) = G_0(\mu)$ .

*Proof.* All statements follow immediately from Lemmas 5.5–5.8. ■

### 6. CONCLUSION

In this section, we are going to finish the proof of Theorem 1.1. Our arguments will rely on Kac’s recognition theorem ([Kac 70, B-G-P]). To apply the recognition theorem we are going to show that for any  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$ , the graded component  $G_0$  is classical reductive. Let  $\tilde{G}_0$  denote the  $p$ -envelope of  $G_0$  in  $\text{Der } G$ .

LEMMA 6.1. *If  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$  then either  $\tilde{G}_0 \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  or  $G_0 = \tilde{G}_0$  is classical simple of type  $A_2, C_2$  or  $G_2$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Suppose  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in cases (a) or (b) of Proposition 5.1. Our argument is based on the following observation made in [B-W 88, (7.4)]. Let  $Q$  be a subalgebra of codimension 1 in  $\tilde{G}_0$  containing  $\mathfrak{t}$  and acting triangulably on  $G$ . Fix  $k \geq 1$  with  $G_{-k} \neq (0)$ , and a nonzero  $x \in G_{-k}$  such that  $[Q, x] \subset Fx$ . Since  $x \notin \tilde{R}(G, \mathfrak{t})$  there is a root vector  $y \in G_k$  such that  $h := [x, y] \in C_{G_0}(\mathfrak{t})$  acts nonnilpotently on  $G$ . Given  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{-k}$  with  $\gamma(h) \neq 0$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} G_{-k, \gamma} &= [h, G_{-k, \gamma}] \subset [x, [y, G_{-k}]] + [y, [x, G_{-k}]] \\ &\subset [x, G_0] + \sum_{\mu \in \Gamma_{-2k}} [y, G_{-2k, \mu}]. \end{aligned}$$

As  $Q$  contains  $\mathfrak{t}$  there is a root vector  $w \in G_0$  such that  $\tilde{G}_0 = Q + Fw$ . Clearly,  $[x, G_0] \subset Fx + F[x, w]$ . Therefore,

$$|\Gamma_{-k}| \leq |\{\gamma \in \Gamma_{-k} \mid \gamma(h) = 0\}| + 2 + |\Gamma_{-2k}|. \tag{20}$$

Suppose  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (a) of Proposition 5.1. Then  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(1)} \oplus A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)} \subset G_0$  acts nilpotently on  $G_{-1}$ . It follows that  $Q := W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)} \oplus A(1; \underline{1})$  acts triangulably on  $G_{-1}$ . As  $G$  satisfies (g1), (g2), (g3),  $Q$  acts triangulably on  $G$ . As all roots in  $\Gamma$  are proper  $\mathfrak{t}$  must normalize  $Q$ . From this it is immediate that  $\mathfrak{t} \subset Q$ . Thus  $Q$  satisfies all the requirements mentioned above.

Note that  $C(\tilde{G}_0) = F1 \subset A(1; \underline{1})$  is a 1-dimensional subtorus in  $\mathfrak{t}$ . So there is  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  such that  $G_0 = G_0(\alpha)$  and  $\alpha(1) = 0$ . Note that  $\tilde{G}_0 = \tilde{G}_0^{(1)}$ , whence  $\tilde{G}_0 = G_0$ . As  $G_0(\alpha)/\text{rad } G_0(\alpha) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ , Lemma 5.9(3) yields  $G(\alpha) \subset G_{(0)}$ . In other words,  $1 \in \mathfrak{t}$  acts invertibly on each  $G_k$  with  $k < 0$ . This forces  $G_{-p} = (0)$ .

Choose  $s \geq 1$  such that  $G_{-s} \neq (0)$  and  $G_{-2s} = (0)$ . Then  $s < p$  and  $1 \in \mathfrak{t}$  acts invertibly on  $G_{-s}$ . By [P-St 99, Theorem 2.6],  $\mathfrak{t}$  is conjugate under an automorphism of  $G_0$  to  $F1 \oplus Fx\partial$ . Note that  $\partial$  and  $x \in A(1; \underline{1})$  are root vectors with respect to  $F1 \oplus Fx\partial$ , and  $F\partial \oplus Fx \oplus F1$  is a Heisenberg Lie algebra. It follows that there exist  $u \in G_{0, r\alpha}$  and  $v \in G_{0, -r\alpha}$ , for some  $r \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ , such that  $[u, v] = 1$ . Representation theory of Heisenberg Lie algebras now yields that  $\Gamma_{-s} = \beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  for some  $\beta \in \Gamma \setminus \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$ . Then  $\{|\gamma \in \Gamma_{-s} | \gamma(h) = 0\} \leq 1$ . Setting  $k = s$  in (20) gives  $|\Gamma_{-s}| \leq 1 + 2 + 0 < p$ . This contradiction excludes case (a).

Now suppose  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (b) of Proposition 5.1. Then  $\tilde{G}_0 = W(1; \underline{1}) \oplus C(\tilde{G}_0)$  and  $C(\tilde{G}_0) = Fz$ , where  $z$  is nonzero toral element. As in the former case there is  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  such that  $G_0 = G_0(\alpha)$  and  $\alpha(z) = 0$ . Since  $\alpha$  is a proper root and  $G(\alpha) \subset G_{(0)}$  (by Lemma 5.9(3)) we may assume (without loss of generality) that  $\mathfrak{t} = Fx\partial \oplus Fz$  where  $x\partial \in W(1; \underline{1}) = \tilde{G}_0^{(1)}$ .

Set  $Q := W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)} + C(\tilde{G})$ . Then  $Q$  contains  $\mathfrak{t}$  and has codimension 1 in  $\tilde{G}_0$ . As  $\dim G_{-1} \leq p$ , [Cha] yields that  $Q$  acts triangulably on  $G_{-1}$ . As  $G$  satisfies (g1), (g2), (g3),  $Q$  acts triangulably on  $G$ .

In view of Lemma 5.9(3),  $G_{-p} = (0)$ . Let  $\beta \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  be such that  $\beta(x\partial) = 0$  and  $\beta(z) = -1$ . Then  $\Gamma_{-k} \subset k\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . So Lemma 5.9(2) implies that  $\dim G_{-k} \leq 2p$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . Applying Chang's theorem [Cha] one now obtains that any composition factor of the  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -module  $G_{-k}$  is either trivial or isomorphic to  $A(1; \underline{1})/F$  or induced from a 1-dimensional  $W(1; \underline{1})_{(0)}$ -module. From this it is easy to deduce that the number of  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weights of any composition factor of the  $\tilde{G}_0$ -module  $G_{-k}$  is either 1 or  $p - 1$  or  $p$ . Since  $\Gamma_{-k} \subset k\beta + \mathbb{F}_p\alpha$  we have  $\{|\gamma \in \Gamma_{-k} | \gamma(h) = 0\} \leq 1$  for any  $k \geq 1$ .

Let  $l \geq 1$  be such that  $G_{-l} \neq (0)$  and  $G_{-l-1} = (0)$ . Setting  $k = l$  in (20) gives  $|\Gamma_{-l}| \leq 3 < p - 1$ . Since  $G$  is simple  $G_{-l}$  is an irreducible and nontrivial  $G_0$ -module ([St-F, (3.3.5)]). Since  $|\Gamma_{-l}| < p - 1$  we must have  $|\Gamma_{-l}| = 1$ . From this it is immediate that  $G_0^{(1)} \cong W(1; \underline{1})$  acts trivially on  $G_{-l}$ . As a consequence,  $\dim G_{-l} = 1$ .



Suppose  $l \geq 3$ . Then setting  $k = l - 1$  in (20) gives  $|\Gamma_{-l+1}| \leq 3$ . It follows that any composition factor of the  $G_0$ -module  $G_{-l+1}$  has exactly one  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weight. This means that the perfect Lie algebra  $G_0^{(1)}$  annihilates  $G_{-l+1}$ . Since  $G$  satisfies (g2), there is  $w \in G_{-l+1}$  such that  $[w, G_{-1}] \neq (0)$ . Recall that  $[G_0^{(1)}, w] = (0)$ . Therefore, there is a surjective  $G_0^{(1)}$ -module homomorphism

$$G_{-1} \rightarrow G_{-l}, x \mapsto [w, x].$$

Since  $G_{-1}$  is  $G_0^{(1)}$ -irreducible and  $\dim G_{-l} = 1$ , we then have  $\dim G_{-1} = 1$  forcing  $G_{-2} = [G_{-1}, G_{-1}] = (0)$ , a contradiction. So  $l \leq 2$ . Since  $G_0$  acts faithfully on  $G_{-1}$  and  $\dim G_{-1} = 1$ , we must have  $l = 2$ .

Setting  $k = 1$  in (20) now gives  $|\Gamma_{-1}| \leq 4$ . On the other hand,  $|\Gamma_{-1}| \geq p - 1$  (for  $G_{-1}$  is a nontrivial irreducible  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -module). Hence  $p = 5$  and  $G_{-1} \cong A(1; \underline{1})/F$  as  $W(1; \underline{1})$ -modules (by Chang's theorem [Cha]). Notice that  $h = [x, y] \in \mathfrak{t}$  acts noninvertibly on  $G_{-1}$  (otherwise (20) would yield  $|\Gamma_{-1}| \leq 3$  which is false). Then  $h$  and  $x\partial \in G_0^{(1)}$  span  $\mathfrak{t}$ ; i.e.,  $G_0 = \tilde{G}_0$ . As  $l = 2$ ,  $G_{-2}$  is a nontrivial  $G_0$ -module. Since  $G$  is simple and satisfies (g1), (g2), (g3), we have  $G_0 = [G_{-1}, G_1]$ . From this it is immediate that  $[G_{-1}, [G_{-2}, G_1]] = [G_{-2}, [G_{-1}, G_1]] = [G_{-2}, G_0] \neq (0)$ . So  $[G_{-2}, G_1] \neq (0)$ . Therefore,  $G$  is a Lie algebra of contact type (in the terminology of [Ku 90]). Since  $G_0$  acts as derivations on the Heisenberg Lie algebra  $G_{-2} \oplus G_{-1}$ , the Lie algebra  $G$  satisfies the condition (2.0.1) of [Ku 90]. By [Ku 90, Proposition 2.2.10],  $G$  is isomorphic to the Melikian algebra  $\mathfrak{g}(m, n)$  for some  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ . As  $TR(G) = 2$  Lemma 2.5 yields  $G \cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . Since this contradicts our choice of  $G$ , we deduce that  $G_0$  is not as in case (b) of Proposition 5.1.

(2) Case (c) of Proposition 5.1 is listed in the lemma.

(3) Next we suppose that  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (d) of Proposition 5.1. Then  $C(\tilde{G}_0) = Fz$  for some nonzero toral element  $z \in \mathfrak{t}$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  be such that  $\alpha(z) = 0$ . Then  $G_0 \subset G(\alpha)$  (in particular  $\alpha$  is Hamiltonian). Note that  $z$  acts on  $G_{-1}$  as a nonzero scalar multiple of Id. Therefore, there is  $\beta \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t}) \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$  such that  $\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}) \subset \beta + \mathbb{F}_p \alpha$ . By Lemma 5.9(2)  $\dim G_{-1, \gamma} \leq 2$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t})$ . This gives the estimate  $\dim G_{-1} \leq 2p$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] every  $\mathfrak{t}'$ -weight space of  $G_{-1}$  is at most 2-dimensional, where  $\mathfrak{t}'$  is any 2-dimensional maximal torus of  $\tilde{G}_0$ .

Let  $M$  denote the preimage of  $H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  under the restricted homomorphism  $\pi : \tilde{G}_0 \rightarrow \tilde{G}_0/C(\tilde{G}_0)$ . Obviously,  $M$  is a restricted ideal of  $\tilde{G}_0$ . We let  $\mathfrak{t}'$  denote the preimage of  $FD_H(x_1 x_2)$  under  $\pi$ , a 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{G}_0$ . Set  $M_{(i)} = \{x \in M \mid x + Fz \in H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}_{(i)}\}$ , where  $i \geq -1$ . Let  $V$  be a faithful irreducible constituent of the  $M$ -module  $G_{-1}$  (it exists because  $M^{(1)}$  is perfect and  $M = \mathfrak{t}' + M^{(1)}$ ). We identify  $D_H(x_i^1 x_j^2)$ , for  $i \neq j$ , with a weight vector in  $M$  relative to  $\mathfrak{t}'$ . By an earlier remark,  $\dim V \leq 2p$  and

$\dim V_\gamma \leq 2$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma^w(V, \mathfrak{t}')$ . Since  $G \not\cong \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$  any Cartan subalgebra of  $M_\gamma$  acts triangulably on  $M$  (this follows from [P-St 99, Theorem 1]). Applying [P-St 99, Lemma 3.8] now shows that the subalgebra  $[M_{(0)}, M_{(1)}] + [M, M_{(2)}]$  acts nilpotently on  $V$ .

Let  $V_0$  be an irreducible  $M_{(0)}$ -submodule of  $V$ . Notice that  $[M_{(0)}, M_{(1)}] + [M, M_{(2)}]$  is an ideal of  $M_{(0)}$  acting nilpotently on  $M$ . Hence  $[M_{(0)}, M_{(1)}] + [M, M_{(2)}]$  annihilates  $V_0$ . Let  $v \in V_0$  be an arbitrary weight vector relative to  $\mathfrak{t}'$ . The vectors  $D_H(x_1)^2 D_H(x_2)^2 \cdot v$ ,  $D_H(x_1) D_H(x_2) \cdot v$  and  $v$  are in the same weight space, hence linearly dependent. Let

$$\alpha_2 D_H(x_1)^2 D_H(x_2)^2 \cdot v + \alpha_1 D_H(x_1) D_H(x_2) \cdot v + \alpha_0 v = 0, \alpha_i \in F$$

be a nontrivial relation. If  $\alpha_2 \neq 0$  we apply  $D_H(x_1^4 x_2^2)$  to obtain  $D_H(x_1^2) \cdot v = 0$  (here we take into account [St-F, (5.7.1)] and the fact that  $D_H(x_1^4 x_2^2) \in [M_{(0)}, M_{(1)}]$  and  $[M_{(0)}, M_{(1)}] \cdot V_0 = [M, M_{(2)}] \cdot V_0 = (0)$ ). If  $\alpha_2 = 0$  then  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  (as the relation is assumed to be nontrivial). We then apply  $D_H(x_1^3 x_2)$  and again obtain  $D_H(x_1^2) \cdot v = 0$ . Since  $M_{(0)}/M_{(1)} \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  this gives  $(M_{(0)})^{(1)} \cdot v = 0$ ; hence  $(M_{(0)})^{(1)} \cdot V_0 = (0)$ . In particular,  $D_H(x_1^i) \cdot V_0 = (0) = D_H(x_2^i) \cdot V_0$  for  $2 \leq i < p$ . Next observe that  $D_H(x_1)^3 D_H(x_2)^2 \cdot v$ ,  $D_H(x_1)^2 D_H(x_2) \cdot v$  and  $D_H(x_1) \cdot v$  are in the same weight space, hence linearly dependent. Let

$$\beta_2 D_H(x_1)^3 D_H(x_2)^2 \cdot v + \beta_1 D_H(x_1)^2 D_H(x_2) \cdot v + \beta_0 D_H(x_1) \cdot v = 0, \\ \beta_i \in F$$

be a nontrivial relation. If  $\beta_2 \neq 0$  we apply  $D_H(x_2^4)$  to obtain  $D_H(x_2^3) \cdot v = 0$ . Then apply  $D_H(x_1^4)$  to obtain  $D_H(x_1) \cdot v = 0$ . If  $\beta_2 = 0$  and  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ , we apply  $D_H(x_2^3)$  to deduce  $D_H(x_2)^2 \cdot v = 0$ . Then apply  $D_H(x_1^3)$  to obtain  $D_H(x_1) \cdot v = 0$ , again. If  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$  then  $\beta_0 \neq 0$ . Thus  $D_H(x_1) \cdot v = 0$  in all cases. But then  $M^{(1)} \cdot v = 0$ . As a consequence,  $M^{(1)} \cdot V_0 = (0)$  forcing  $V_0 = V$ . This contradicts our assumption that  $V$  is a faithful  $M$ -module. Thus case (d) is impossible.

(4) Next we suppose that  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (e) of Proposition 5.1. Then  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are restricted ideals of  $\tilde{G}_0$  acting restrictedly on  $G$  (as  $\tilde{G}_0$  does so). Let  $V$  denote a minimal submodule of the  $(S_1 \oplus S_2)$ -module  $G_{-1}$ . As  $\text{ann}_{S_1 \oplus S_2} V$  is an ideal of  $S_1 \oplus S_2$ , either  $[S_j, V] = (0)$  for some  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  or  $V$  is a faithful  $(S_1 \oplus S_2)$ -module. In the first case  $V' := \{v \in G_{-1} \mid [S_j, v] = (0)\}$  is a  $G_0$ -module. But  $G_{-1}$  is an irreducible and faithful  $G_0$ -module. Thus  $V$  is faithful over  $S_1 \oplus S_2$ . As  $[S_1, S_2] = (0)$  there are irreducible, restricted faithful  $S_i$ -modules  $V_i$ , where  $i = 1, 2$ , such that  $V \cong V_1 \otimes V_2$  as  $(S_1 \oplus S_2)$ -modules.

Let  $t_i$  be an arbitrary nonzero toral element of  $S_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{t}' := Ft_1 \oplus Ft_2$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{G}_0$ . Given  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and  $i \in \{1, 2\}$

let  $V_{i,j}$  be the eigenspace for  $t_i \in \text{End } V_i$  belonging to  $j$ . Each weight space  $V_\mu$ , where  $\mu \in (\mathfrak{t}')^*$ , has the form  $V_\mu = V_{1,m} \otimes V_{2,n}$  for some  $m, n \in \mathbb{F}_p$ .

Suppose  $S_1 \cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$ . By [P-St 99, Theorem 3.1],  $\dim V_1 \geq p^2 - 2 > p(p - 1)$ . It follows that there is  $s \in \mathbb{F}_p$  such that  $\dim V_{1,s} \geq p$ . The preceding remark now shows that some weight space of  $G_{-1}$  relative to  $\mathfrak{t}'$  has dimension  $\geq p$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10], there is  $\delta \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$  such that  $\dim G_{-1,\delta} \geq p$ . However, we have established in Lemma 5.9 that  $\dim G_{-1,\gamma} \leq 2$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G, \mathfrak{t})$ . This contradiction shows that  $S_1, S_2 \in \{\mathfrak{sl}(2), W(1; \underline{1})\}$ . Then  $\text{Der } S_i \cong S_i, i = 1, 2$ , showing that  $G_0 = \tilde{G}_0 = S_1 \oplus S_2$ .

Representation theory of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  and Chang's theorem [Cha] imply that  $V_{i,j} \neq (0)$  if and only if  $V_{i,-j} \neq (0)$  (one should also take into account [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10]). Since  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are faithful modules over  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , respectively, there are  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  such that  $V_{i,m_i} \neq (0)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Let  $\delta' \in (\mathfrak{t}')^*$  be such that  $\delta'(t_i) = m_i, i = 1, 2$ . The preceding remark shows that  $G_{-1,\delta'}$  and  $G_{-1,-\delta'}$  are both nonzero. Notice that  $\gamma(t_1) \cdot \gamma(t_2) = 0$  for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(G_0, \mathfrak{t}')$ . As a consequence,  $\mathbb{F}_p \delta' \cap \Gamma(G_0, \mathfrak{t}') = \emptyset$ , so that  $G_0(\delta') = \mathfrak{t}'$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] there is  $\delta \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  with  $G_{-1,\pm\delta} \neq (0)$  and  $G_0(\delta) = \mathfrak{t}$ . Lemma 5.9(1) now shows that case (e) is impossible.

(5) Suppose  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (f) of Proposition 5.1; i.e.,

$$G_0 = \tilde{G}_0 \cong (S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})) \oplus (F \text{ Id} \otimes W(1; \underline{1})),$$

where  $S$  is either  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  or  $W(1; \underline{1})$ . Then  $G_{-1}$  is a restricted  $G_0$ -module. So [P-St 99, Theorem 3.2] applies to the pair  $(G_0, G_{-1})$ . Since 0 is not a  $\mathfrak{t}$ -weight of  $G_{-1}$  and  $S \not\cong H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)}$  we are in case (c) of [P-St 99, Theorem 3.2]. As a consequence,  $\Gamma_{-1} = -\Gamma_{-1}$ .

Since  $\text{Der } S = \text{ad } S$  it follows from [P-St 99, Theorem 2.6] that there is  $\sigma \in \text{Aut } G_0$  such that  $\sigma(\mathfrak{t}) = F(h \otimes 1) \oplus F(\text{Id} \otimes z\partial)$ , where  $h$  is a nonzero toral element of  $S$  and  $z \in \{x, 1 + x\}$ . Let  $t_1 = \sigma^{-1}(h \otimes 1)$  and  $t_2 = \sigma^{-1}(\text{Id} \otimes z\partial)$ . There are toral elements of  $\mathfrak{t}$  which span  $\mathfrak{t}$  over  $F$ . Define  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathfrak{t}^*$  by setting  $\alpha_i(t_j) = \delta_{ij}$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ .

Note that  $G_0(\alpha_2) = C_{G_0}(t_1) = \sigma^{-1}(C_{G_0}(h \otimes 1))$ . As  $C_S(h) = Fh$  we have that

$$C_{G_0}(h \otimes 1) = (Fh \otimes A(1; \underline{1})) \oplus (F \text{ Id} \otimes W(1; \underline{1})).$$

This shows that  $G_0(\alpha_2)/\text{rad } G_0(\alpha_2) \cong W(1; \underline{1})$ . Applying Lemma 5.9(3) we now derive that  $G(\alpha_2) = G_{(0)}(\alpha_2)$  and  $\alpha_2$  is a Witt root of  $G$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}$  normalizes a solvable subalgebra of codimension 1 in  $G_0(\alpha_2)$  (because  $\alpha_2$  is proper). From this it is immediate that  $z = x$ . As a consequence,  $\sigma^{-1}(S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)})$  is  $\mathfrak{t}$ -stable.

Next we observe that  $G_0(\alpha_1) = \sigma^{-1}(C_{G_0}(\text{Id} \otimes x\delta)) = \mathfrak{t} + \sigma^{-1}(S \otimes 1)$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} G_0 &= \sigma^{-1}(S \otimes 1) + \sigma^{-1}(S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}) + \sigma^{-1}(C_{G_0}(h \otimes 1)) \\ &= G_0(\alpha_1) + G_0(\alpha_2) + \sigma^{-1}(S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)}), \end{aligned}$$

and each of the three summands is  $\mathfrak{t}$ -invariant. This implies that  $G_0(\gamma) \subset \mathfrak{t} + \sigma^{-1}(S \otimes A(1; \underline{1})_{(1)})$  is solvable for any  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0 \setminus (\mathbb{F}_p \alpha_1 \cup \mathbb{F}_p \alpha_2)$ .

Let  $\delta \in \Gamma_{-1} \setminus \mathbb{F}_p \alpha_1$  (it exists because  $G_{-1}$  is a faithful  $\mathfrak{t}$ -module). Then  $\delta \in \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha_1 + \mathbb{F}_p^* \alpha_2$  (for  $\mathbb{F}_p \alpha_2 \cap \Gamma_{-1} = \emptyset$ ). By the preceding remark,  $G_0(\delta)$  is solvable. Also,  $G_{-1, \pm \delta} \neq (0)$  (for  $\Gamma_{-1} = -\Gamma_{-1}$ ). Lemma 5.9(1) shows that case (f) is impossible.

(6) Suppose  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (g) of Proposition 5.1; i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} &H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1}) \\ &\subset \tilde{G}_0 \subset (\text{Der } H(2; \underline{1})^{(2)} \otimes A(m; \underline{1})) \oplus (\text{Id} \otimes W(m; \underline{1})) \end{aligned}$$

and  $m > 0$ . According to Proposition 5.1  $\dim G_{-1} = (p^2 - 2)p^m > (p - 1)(p^2 - 1)$ . Since  $|\Gamma_{-1}| \leq p^2 - 1$  there is  $\mu \in \Gamma_{-1}$  such that  $\dim G_{-1, \mu} \geq p$ . This contradicts Lemma 5.9(2) showing that case (g) does not occur.

(7) Now we suppose that  $\tilde{G}_0$  is as in case (h) of Proposition 5.1. Let  $M$  denote the subalgebra  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)} \otimes F$  of  $G_0$ , and  $\tilde{M}$  the  $p$ -envelope of  $M$  in  $\tilde{G}_0$ . Then  $C(\tilde{M}) \subset \text{rad } \tilde{G}_0 = (0)$ . Hence  $\tilde{M} \cong M_p$ , the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $M$  ([St-F, (2.5.8)]). Let  $V$  be a faithful irreducible constituent of the (faithful)  $M$ -module  $G_{-1}$ . Then  $V$  is a restricted  $M_p$ -module. Let  $\mathfrak{t}'$  be any 2-dimensional torus in  $M_p$ . By Lemma 4.14  $V$  has  $p^2 - 2$  nonzero  $\mathfrak{t}'$ -weights. Combining this with [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10] we derive that  $|\Gamma_{-1}| \geq p^2 - 2$ . This contradicts Lemma 5.9(1) thereby excluding case (h).

(8) Finally suppose  $S \subset G_0 \subset \text{Der } S$ , where  $S$  is a simple Lie algebra with  $TR(S) = 2$ . Then  $S$  is listed in Theorem 1.1 (for  $\dim S < \dim G$ ). As in (7) one proves that the  $p$ -envelope  $\tilde{S}$  of  $S$  in  $\tilde{G}_0$  is isomorphic to the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $S$ . Let  $W$  be a faithful irreducible constituent of the restricted  $\tilde{S}$ -module  $G_{-1}$ .

Suppose  $S \in \{W(2; \underline{1}), W(1; \underline{2}), H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta), H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}\}$ . Then  $|\Gamma(W, \mathfrak{t}')| \geq p^2 - 2$  for any 2-dimensional torus  $\mathfrak{t}' \subset \tilde{S}$  (Lemma 4.14). By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.10], this means that  $|\Gamma(G_{-1}, \mathfrak{t}')| \geq p^2 - 2$  contrary to Lemma 5.9(1).

Next suppose that  $S$  is one of  $S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}, H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}, K(3; \underline{1}), H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}, \mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ , and let  $\mathfrak{t}'$  be any 2-dimensional torus in  $\tilde{S}$ . Then  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}' \neq (0)$  (by Propositions 4.5, 4.17, 4.19). Now [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)] yields  $\text{ann}_{G_{-1}} \mathfrak{t}' \neq (0)$  violating the inclusion  $C_G(\mathfrak{t}') \subset G_{(0)}$ .

Thus  $S$  must be classical simple of type  $A_2$ ,  $C_2$  or  $G_2$ . As  $p > 3$ , the Killing form on  $S$  is nondegenerate. Then  $\text{Der } S = \text{ad } S$  forcing  $\tilde{G}_0 = S$ . This completes the proof of the lemma. ■

Given  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$  we denote by  $G'$  the subalgebra of  $G$  generated by  $G_{-1} + G_0 + G_1$ . As  $G$  satisfies (g2),  $G'$  contains  $\sum_{i \leq 1} G_i$ . Let  $M(G')$  denote the unique maximal ideal of  $G'$  contained in  $\sum_{i \leq -2} G_i$ . Set  $\mathfrak{g} := G'/M(G')$ .

LEMMA 6.2. *Let  $(G, \mathfrak{t}) \in \mathfrak{S}$ . The following are true.*

1.  $M(G')$  is a nonzero graded ideal of  $G'$ .
2. The graded Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is isomorphic to a classical Lie algebra of type  $A_2$ ,  $C_2$ , or  $G_2$  with one of its standard gradings.
3.  $G_0 \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$ . Moreover, the adjoint action of  $G_0$  on  $G$  induces a restricted representation of  $\mathfrak{gl}(2)$  in  $\mathfrak{gl}(G)$ .
4. All irreducible constituents of the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $M(G')^i/M(G')^{i+1}$ , where  $i > 0$ , are restricted  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules.

*Proof.* Recall that by the previous lemma either  $\tilde{G}_0 \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  or  $G_0 = \tilde{G}_0$  is classical simple of type  $A_2$ ,  $C_2$ , or  $G_2$ . It is well known that  $C_{\tilde{G}_0}(\mathfrak{t}) = \mathfrak{t}$  in all cases.

Let  $\mu \in \Gamma_{-1}$  and  $x \in G_{-1, \mu} \setminus (0)$ . Then  $[x, G_{1, -\mu}] \neq (0)$ ; for otherwise  $x \in R_\mu(G, \mathfrak{t})$  contrary to property (5.4) in the definition of  $\mathfrak{S}$ . As a consequence,  $-\Gamma_{-1} \subset \Gamma_1$ .

For  $k \leq 0$ , set  $I_k := \{x \in G_k \mid [x, G_1] = (0)\}$ . Clearly,  $I_0$  is an ideal of  $G_0$ . If  $I_0 = G_0$  then  $[\tilde{G}_0, G_1] = (0)$ ; hence  $[\mathfrak{t}, G_1] = (0)$ . As  $G_{-1}$  is a faithful  $G_0$ -module there is  $\delta \in \Gamma_{-1} \setminus \{0\}$ . Then  $-\delta \in \Gamma_1$ , a contradiction. Suppose  $I_0 \neq (0)$ . Observe that  $[I_0, G_{-1}] = G_{-1}$  (as  $G_{-1}$  is a faithful irreducible  $G_0$ -module) and  $G_0 = [G_{-1}, G_1]$  (as  $G$  is simple and satisfies (g2)). It follows that

$$I_0 \supset [I_0, G_0] = [[I_0, G_{-1}], G_1] = [G_{-1}, G_1] = G_0,$$

which is false by the preceding remark. Thus  $I_0 = (0)$ .

Since  $I_{-1}$  is a  $G_0$ -submodule of  $G_{-1}$  and  $G$  satisfies (g1), we also have that  $I_{-1} = (0)$ .

(a) Suppose  $M(G') = (0)$ . Then  $I_k = (0)$  for all  $k \leq 0$ . So it follows from Lemma 6.1 that the graded Lie algebra  $G$  satisfies the conditions of Kac's recognition theorem [Kac 70] generalized in [B-G] and corrected in [B-G-P] (for this corrected version see also [St 97, (4.15)]). Applying the recognition theorem (and keeping in mind the simplicity of  $G$ ) we obtain that  $G$  is either classical simple or  $\mathfrak{gl}(n)/F$  with  $p \mid n$  or  $G \cong X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)}$ , where  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$  or  $G \cong \mathfrak{g}(m, n)$ . This contradicts Lemma 2.5 thereby

proving that  $M(G') \neq (0)$ . Since  $G'$  satisfies (g1), (g2), (g3), [We 78] shows that  $M(G')$  is a graded ideal of  $G'$ .

(b) As  $I_0 = I_{-1} = (0)$  and  $M(\mathfrak{g}) = (0)$ , Kac's recognition theorem is applicable to  $\mathfrak{g}$ . It says that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is either classical simple or  $\mathfrak{gl}(n)/F$  with  $p \mid n$  or  $X(m; \underline{n})^{(2)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset CX(m; \underline{n})$ , where  $X \in \{W, S, H, K\}$  or a Melikian algebra  $\underline{g}(n_1, n_2)$ . In particular,  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is simple and  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset \text{Der } \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$ .

Observe that  $TR(\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}) \leq TR(G) = 2$ . Since  $[G_{-1}, G_1] = G_0$  and  $G_{-1} \cap C_G(\mathfrak{t}) = (0)$  we have that  $C_{G_0}(\mathfrak{t}) = \sum_{\mu \neq 0} [G_{-1, -\mu}, G_{1, \mu}]$ . Lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathfrak{t}$  is contained in the  $p$ -envelope of  $C_{G_0}(\mathfrak{t})$  in  $\text{Der } G$ . Consequently,

$$G_0 = \sum_{\mu, \nu \neq 0} [G_{-1, \mu}, G_{1, \nu}] + \sum_{\mu \neq 0} [C_{G_0}(\mathfrak{t}), G_{0, \mu}]$$

and  $G_{\pm 1, \pm \mu} \subset [G_0, G_{\pm 1, \pm \mu}]$  for all  $\mu \neq 0$ . Since  $G_{-1} \oplus G_0 \oplus G_1 \cong \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  as local Lie algebras we therefore have that

$$\left( \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \sum_{\mu \neq 0} \mathfrak{g}_{1, \mu} \right) \subset \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}.$$

This yields  $TR(\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}) = 2$ . Observe that  $\dim \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)} \leq \dim G'/M(G') < \dim G$ . Thus property (5.5) in the definition of  $\mathfrak{S}$  shows that  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is listed in Theorem 1.1.

(c) It is clear by definition that  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  acts naturally on each factor space  $M(G')^i/M(G')^{i+1}$ . Let  $W$  be a composition factor of one of the  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$ -modules  $M(G')^i/M(G')^{i+1}$ , and let  $\mathcal{G}$  denote the restricted Lie algebra generated by  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  in  $\mathfrak{gl}(W)$ . By the above discussion, we can identify  $\mathfrak{t}$  with a 2-dimensional torus in  $(\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)})_p$ , the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$ . There is a restricted epimorphism  $\iota: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow (\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)})_p$  with  $\ker \iota = C(\mathcal{G})$ . By Schur's lemma,  $C(\mathcal{G})$  consists of scalar linear operators. If  $C(\mathcal{G}) \neq (0)$  then  $\iota^{-1}(\mathfrak{t})$  is a 3-dimensional torus in  $\mathcal{G}$ . However, this would imply that the semisimple  $p$ -envelope of  $G$  contains a 3-dimensional torus. Since the latter is false  $C(\mathcal{G}) = (0)$  and  $\mathcal{G} \cong (\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)})_p$  as restricted Lie algebras. It follows that  $W$  is a restricted  $(\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)})_p$ -module.

Suppose  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is one of  $S(3; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ ,  $H(4; \underline{1})^{(1)}$ ,  $K(3; \underline{1})$ ,  $H(2; (2, 1))^{(2)}$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}(1, 1)$ . Then  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$  (Propositions 4.5, 4.17, 4.19) which implies that  $\text{ann}_{G_k} \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$  for some  $k < 0$ . This contradicts the inclusion  $C_G(\mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$ . Suppose  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is one of  $W(2; \underline{1})$ ,  $W(1; \underline{2})$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Delta)$ ,  $H(2; \underline{1}; \Phi(\tau))^{(1)}$ . Then  $[\Gamma(W, \mathfrak{t})] \geq p^2 - 2$  (Lemma 4.14). This contradicts Lemma 5.9(1).

Thus  $\mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  is classical of type  $A_2$ ,  $C_2$ , or  $G_2$ . As a consequence,  $\text{Der } \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)} = \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$  forcing  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}^{(\infty)}$ . By Kac's recognition theorem, the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  must be standard. Then  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{g}(\alpha) \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  for some root  $\alpha$ . Moreover,  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is a restricted subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \text{Der } \mathfrak{g}$  and its  $p$ -structure

comes from the natural  $p$ -structure of  $\mathfrak{gl}(2)$ . Since  $G_{-1} \oplus G_0 \oplus G_1 \cong \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  as local Lie algebras it follows that  $G_0 = \tilde{G}_0 \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  as restricted Lie algebras. ■

In order to finish the proof of Theorem 1.1 it remains to show that  $\mathfrak{g} = G'/M(G')$  cannot be classical simple of type  $A_2, C_2$ , or  $G_2$ .

LEMMA 6.3.  $\mathfrak{g} \not\cong \mathfrak{sl}(3)$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose the contrary and identify  $\mathfrak{g}$  with  $\mathfrak{sl}(3)$ . Since all 2-dimensional tori in  $\mathfrak{g}$  are conjugate under the adjoint action of  $\mathbf{G} = SL(3, F)$  we shall assume that  $\mathfrak{t}$  is the Lie subalgebra of diagonal matrices in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{T}$ , where  $\mathbf{T}$  is the group of diagonal matrices in  $\mathbf{G}$ . As usual, we denote by  $\epsilon_i$  the rational character of  $\mathbf{T}$  that sends a matrix in  $\mathbf{T}$  to its  $i$ th diagonal entry. Then the root system  $R$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (with respect to  $\mathbf{T}$ ) is the set of all  $\epsilon_i - \epsilon_j$  with  $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$  and  $i \neq j$ . We choose as simple roots  $\alpha_1 = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$  and  $\alpha_2 = \epsilon_2 - \epsilon_3$ . The corresponding fundamental weights are then  $\omega_1 = \epsilon_1 - \frac{1}{3}(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3)$  and  $\omega_2 = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 - \frac{2}{3}(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3)$ .

For  $\alpha = \epsilon_i - \epsilon_j$  with  $i \neq j$ , we choose as root vector  $e_\alpha$  the matrix  $E_{i,j}$  whose  $(i, j)$ th entry equals 1 and all other entries are 0. Given  $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  let  $\tilde{x}$  denote the unique preimage of  $x$  in  $G_{-1} \oplus G_0 \oplus G_1$  under the canonical epimorphism  $G' \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ . Since the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is standard by Lemma 6.2, we may assume (without loss of generality) that

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1, \mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t} \oplus Fe_{-\alpha_2} \oplus Fe_{\alpha_2}, \mathfrak{g}_{\pm 1} = Fe_{\pm \alpha_1} \oplus Fe_{\pm(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}.$$

It follows that  $G_{-2} \subset M(G')$ . For each  $\alpha \in R$  the tangent map  $d\alpha : \mathfrak{t} \rightarrow F$  is a linear function on  $\mathfrak{t} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{T}$ . In what follows we identify  $\alpha \in R$  with  $d\alpha \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ , hence  $R$  with  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t}) \subset \Gamma$ .

(b) Since  $M(G') \neq (0)$  (Lemma 6.2(1)) and  $G_{-1} \cong \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$  is 2-dimensional,  $G_{-2}$  is a 1-dimensional subspace of  $M(G')$  spanned by  $\tilde{v}_0 := [\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1}, \tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1 - \alpha_2}]$ . In particular,

$$\Gamma_{-2} = \{-2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2\}. \tag{21}$$

Let  $h_1 = [e_{\alpha_1}, e_{-\alpha_1}] = E_{1,1} - E_{2,2}$  and  $h_2 = [e_{\alpha_2}, e_{-\alpha_2}] = E_{2,2} - E_{3,3}$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{t} = Fh_1 \oplus Fh_2$  and  $\omega_i(h_j) = \delta_{ij}$ , where  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . Since  $M(G')^2 \subset \sum_{i \leq -4} G_i$  the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V_1 := M(G')^1/M(G')^2$  is generated by  $v_0$ , the image of  $\tilde{v}_0$  in  $V_1$ . As  $M(G') \cap G_{-1} = (0)$  we must have

$$[e_{\alpha_1}, v_0] = [\tilde{e}_{\alpha_1}, \tilde{v}_0] = 0.$$

As  $\dim G_{-2} = 1$ ,

$$[e_{\alpha_2}, v_0] = [\tilde{e}_{\alpha_2}, \tilde{v}_0] = 0.$$

Also,  $h_1 \cdot v_0 = -3v_0$  and  $h_2 \cdot v_0 = 0$ . Therefore,  $v_0$  is a primitive vector of weight  $(p - 3)\omega_1$  in  $V_1$ . From this it is immediate that  $v_1 := e_{-\alpha_1}^{p-3} \cdot v_0 \neq 0$ . This, in turn, yields that

$$\tilde{v}_1 := (\text{ad } \tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1})^{p-3}(\tilde{v}_0) \in G_{-p+1, \alpha_1 - \alpha_2} \setminus (0).$$

Since  $[e_{\alpha_2}, e_{-\alpha_1}] = 0$  we have that  $[e_{\alpha_2}, v_1] = 0$  and  $[h_2, v_1] = (p - 3)v_1$ . Representation theory of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  now shows that  $(\text{ad } e_{-\alpha_2})^i(v_1) \neq 0$  for  $i = 0, \dots, p - 3$ . Therefore,

$$\{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_1 - (p - 2)\alpha_2\} \subset \Gamma_{-p+1}. \tag{22}$$

Obviously,  $G_{-p+1} \neq (0)$  implies  $G_{-p+3} \neq (0)$ . Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{-p+3}$  and  $u_1 \in G_{-p+3, \gamma} \setminus (0)$ . As  $R_\gamma(G, \mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$  there is  $w_1 \in G_{p-3, -\gamma}$  such that  $[u_1, w_1] \neq 0$ . Note that  $[u_1, w_1] \in C_{G_0}(\mathfrak{t}) = \mathfrak{t}$ .

Suppose  $G_{-p-1} = (0)$ . Then  $[u_1, G_{-p+1}] \subset G_{-2p+4} = (0)$  (as  $p > 3$ ). Note that  $\text{ad } w_1$  maps  $G_{-p+1, \delta}$  into  $G_{-2, \delta - \gamma}$ . So it follows from (21) that  $\text{ad}([u_1, w_1])$  annihilates  $G_{-p+1, \alpha_1 + k\alpha_2}$  for all but at most one value of  $k \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . Due to (22) there are distinct  $m, n \in \mathbb{F}_p$  such that  $(\alpha_1 - m\alpha_2)([u_1, w_1]) = (\alpha_1 - n\alpha_2)([u_1, w_1]) = 0$  (as  $p > 3$ ). But then  $[u_1, w_1] = 0$ , a contradiction.

(c) Thus  $G_{-p-1} \neq (0)$ . Therefore,  $G_{-p} \neq (0)$ . The center of  $G_0$  acts trivially on  $G_{-kp}$ , hence  $G_{-kp} = G_{-kp}(\alpha_2)$ . As  $G_0(\alpha_2) \cong \mathfrak{gl}(2)$  is non-solvable, Lemma 5.9(1) implies that  $\Gamma_{-p} = \{\pm j\alpha_2\}$  for some  $j \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$ . But then  $\tilde{h}_2$  has exactly two eigenvalues on each composition factor of the  $G_0^{(1)}$ -module  $G_{-p}$ . Therefore,  $\pm j\alpha_2(h_2) = \pm 1$ . As a consequence,  $\Gamma_{-p} = \{\pm \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2\}$ . Since  $G_{-p-1} = [G_{-1}, G_{-p}]$  we have that

$$\Gamma_{-p-1} \subset \Gamma_{-1} + \Gamma_{-p} = \left\{ -\alpha_1 - \frac{3}{2}\alpha_2, -\alpha_1 - \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2, -\alpha_1 + \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2 \right\}. \tag{23}$$

The respective values of these linear functions at  $h_2$  are  $-2, 0, 2$ . Now it follows from representation theory of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  that 0 is an eigenvalue of  $\text{ad } \tilde{h}_2$  on  $G_{-p-1}$ . But then

$$-\alpha_1 - \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2 \in \Gamma_{-p-1}. \tag{24}$$

Next we observe that  $G_{-3} = [G_{-2}, G_{-1}] \cong G_{-1}$  as  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules. It follows that  $\Gamma_{-3} \subset \Gamma_{-1} + \Gamma_{-2}$ , hence (see (21))

$$\Gamma_{-3} = \{-3\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, -3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2\}. \tag{25}$$

Note that  $G_{-4} \neq (0)$ . Arguing as before we derive that  $\Gamma_{-4} \subset \Gamma_{-1} + \Gamma_{-3} = \{-4\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, -4\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2, -4\alpha_1 - 3\alpha_2\}$ , that 0 is an  $\text{ad } h_2$ -eigenvalue



on  $G_{-4}$  and that  $-(4\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) \in \Gamma_{-4}$ . Combining this with (21), (22) and (24) we obtain that  $G_{-k, -k(\alpha_1 + \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2)} \neq (0)$  for  $k \in \{2, 4, p-1, p+1\}$ . Setting  $\mu = \alpha_1 + \frac{1}{2}\alpha_2$  in Lemma 5.9(1) now yields  $p = 5$ .

Let  $\mu := \alpha_1 - \alpha_2$ . By (22) and (25),  $\mu \in \Gamma_{-4}$  and  $2\mu \in \Gamma_{-3}$ . So Lemma 5.9(1) shows that  $\mu$  is Hamiltonian and the grading of  $G(\mu)$  is ruled by Lemma 5.5(4). Then  $1, 2 \in \{\pm i_0, 2i_0\}$ , hence either  $1 = i_0$  or  $1 = 2i_0$ . If  $i_0 = 1$  then  $-a_1 = -4$  and  $-3 = a_2 - a_1$  forcing  $a_2 = 1$ . If  $2i_0 = 1$  then  $-i_0 = 2$  which gives  $a_2 - a_1 = -4$  and  $-a_2 = -3$ . But then  $a_2 < a_1 - a_2$  in both cases. This contradiction proves the lemma. ■

LEMMA 6.4.  $\mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{sp}(4)$ .

*Proof.* (a) Suppose the contrary and identify  $\mathfrak{g}$  with  $\mathfrak{sp}(4)$ . Since all Witt bases of the symplectic linear space  $F^4$  are conjugate under the natural action of  $\mathbf{G} = Sp(4, F)$  on  $F^4$ , all 2-dimensional tori in  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{G}$  are conjugate under the adjoint action on  $\mathbf{G}$ . Thus no generality is lost by assuming that  $\mathfrak{t}$  is the Lie subalgebra of diagonal matrices in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{T}$ , where  $\mathbf{T}$  is the group of diagonal matrices in  $\mathbf{G}$ .

We are going to use Bourbaki's notation [B2]. The group of rational characters  $X(\mathbf{T})$  will be embedded into an Euclidean space with orthonormal basis  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$ . The root system  $R$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (with respect to  $\mathbf{T}$ ) is the set  $\{\pm\epsilon_1 \pm \epsilon_2, \pm 2\epsilon_1, \pm 2\epsilon_2\}$ . We choose as simple roots  $\alpha_1 = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$  and  $\alpha_2 = 2\epsilon_2$ . Then  $\tilde{\alpha} := 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$  is the highest root. The corresponding fundamental weights are  $\omega_1 = \epsilon_1$  and  $\omega_2 = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2$ , and  $X(\mathbf{T}) = \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2$ . The set of dominant weights  $\mathbb{N}_0\omega_1 + \mathbb{N}_0\omega_2$  will be denoted by  $X^+(\mathbf{T})$ . A dominant weight  $\lambda = a_1\omega_1 + a_2\omega_2$  is called  $p$ -restricted if  $0 \leq a_i \leq p-1$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . We identify the  $p$ -restricted weights  $\lambda$  with the corresponding tangent maps  $d\lambda: \mathfrak{t} \rightarrow F$  (this will cause no confusion since the kernel of the linear map  $d: X(\mathbf{T}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{t}^*$  equals  $pX(\mathbf{T})$ ). For any  $\alpha \in R$  choose  $h_\alpha \in \mathfrak{t}$  such that  $(d\lambda)(h_\alpha) = \langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \pmod{p}$  for all  $\lambda \in X(\mathbf{T})$ . Choose  $e_\alpha \in \mathfrak{g}_\alpha$  such that  $[e_\beta, e_{-\beta}] = h_\beta$  for all  $\beta \in R$ . Set  $h_i := h_{\alpha_i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $Q_+ := \mathbb{N}_0\alpha_1 + \mathbb{N}_0\alpha_2$ .

(b) Since all roots having the same length are conjugate under the action of the Weyl group of  $R$ , all Levi subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{g}$  containing  $\mathfrak{t}$  and isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{gl}(2)$  fall into two conjugacy classes under the adjoint action of  $N_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{T})$ . Thus we may assume that either  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t} \oplus Fe_{\alpha_1} \oplus Fe_{-\alpha_1}$  or  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t} \oplus Fe_{\alpha_2} \oplus Fe_{-\alpha_2}$ . Given  $x \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  we let  $\tilde{x} \in G_{-1} \oplus G_0 \oplus G_1$  have the same meaning as in the proof of Lemma 6.3.

We first suppose that  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t} \oplus Fe_{\alpha_2} \oplus Fe_{-\alpha_2}$ . Since the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is standard by Lemma 6.2(2) we may assume further that  $\mathfrak{g}_{\pm 1} = Fe_{\pm\alpha_1} \oplus Fe_{\pm(\alpha_1+\alpha_2)}$ . Then  $G_{-1} = F\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1} \oplus F\tilde{e}_{-(\alpha_1+\alpha_2)}$ ,  $G_{-2} = F\tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}}$ , where  $\tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}} = [\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1}, \tilde{e}_{-(\alpha_1+\alpha_2)}]$ , and  $M(G') = \sum_{k \leq -3} G_k$ . Since  $M(G') \neq (0)$  (Lemma 6.2(1)), we must have  $G_{-3} \neq (0)$ . Since  $G_{-2}$  is a trivial  $G_0^{(1)}$ -module, the

$G_0^{(1)}$ -module  $G_{-3} = [G_{-2}, G_{-1}]$  is a homomorphic image of  $G_{-1}$ . Hence  $G_{-3} \cong G_{-1}$  as  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules. It follows that  $\Gamma_{-3} = \{-3\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, -3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2\}$ . It also follows that  $\tilde{v}_0 := [\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1}, \tilde{e}_{-\alpha}] \in G_{-3}$  is nonzero and  $[\tilde{e}_{\alpha_2}, \tilde{v}_0] = 0$ . As  $M(G')^2 \subset \sum_{i \leq -6} G_i$  the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V_1 = M(G')/M(G')^2$  is generated by  $v_0$ , the image of  $\tilde{v}_0$  in  $V_1$ . As  $M(G') \cap G_{-2} = (0)$  we must have  $[\tilde{e}_{\alpha_1}, \tilde{v}_0] = 0$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{h}_1, \tilde{v}_0] &= \langle -3\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_1^\vee \rangle \tilde{v}_0 = \left( -6 - 2 \frac{(2\epsilon_2 \mid \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)}{(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 \mid \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)} \right) \tilde{v}_0 \\ &= (p - 4)\tilde{v}_0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$[\tilde{h}_2, \tilde{v}_0] = \langle -3\alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle \tilde{v}_0 = \left( -6 \frac{(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 \mid 2\epsilon_2)}{(2\epsilon_2 \mid 2\epsilon_2)} - 2 \right) \tilde{v}_0 = \tilde{v}_0.$$

Therefore,  $v_0$  is a primitive vector of weight  $\lambda = (p - 4)\omega_1 + \omega_2$  in  $V_1$ . Since

$$\langle \lambda, \tilde{\alpha}^\vee \rangle = 2 \frac{(\lambda \mid 2\epsilon_1)}{(2\epsilon_1 \mid 2\epsilon_1)} = 2 \frac{((p - 3)\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 \mid 2\epsilon_1)}{(2\epsilon_1 \mid 2\epsilon_1)} = p - 3,$$

the vector  $v_1 := e_{-\tilde{\alpha}}^{p-3} \cdot v_0 \in V_1$  is nonzero and has weight  $\lambda - (p - 3)\tilde{\alpha}$ . Since  $\tilde{\alpha} - \alpha_2 \notin R$  we have that  $e_{\alpha_2} \cdot v_1 = 0$ . This implies that  $e_{-\alpha_2} \cdot v_1 \neq 0$  (because  $\langle \lambda - (p - 3)\tilde{\alpha}, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle = \langle \lambda, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle = 1$ ). Observe that  $(p - 3)\tilde{\alpha} + \alpha_2 = 2(p - 3)\epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon_2 = 2\lambda$ . It follows that

$$(\text{ad } \tilde{e}_{-\alpha_2})(\text{ad } \tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}})^{p-3}(\tilde{v}_0) \in G_{-2p+3, -\lambda} \setminus (0)$$

(for  $\tilde{v}_0 \in G_{-3}$ ,  $e_{-\tilde{\alpha}} \in G_{-2}$  and  $e_{-\alpha_2} \in G_0$ ). As a consequence,  $G_{-3, \lambda} \neq (0)$  and  $G_{-2p+3, -\lambda} \neq (0)$ . Lemma 5.9(1) now shows that  $\lambda \in \Gamma_{-3}$  is a Hamiltonian root of  $G$ . Since  $G_0(\lambda) = \mathfrak{t}$  is solvable the grading of  $G(\lambda)$  is ruled by Lemma 5.5(4), with  $a_1 = 2p - 3$  and  $a_2 = 3$ . Since  $p > 3$  this is impossible.

(c) Now suppose  $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t} \oplus Fe_{\alpha_1} \oplus Fe_{-\alpha_1}$ . Since the grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is standard we may assume that

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\pm 1} = Fe_{\pm \alpha_2} \oplus Fe_{\pm(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} \oplus Fe_{\pm(2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}$$

and  $\mathfrak{g}_{\pm k} = (0)$  for  $k \geq 2$ . Since  $G_{-1} \oplus G_0 \oplus G_1 \cong \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  as local Lie algebras it is easy to see that

$$G_{-1} = F\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_2} \oplus F\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1 - \alpha_2} \oplus F\tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}} \cong V(2)$$

as  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules (recall that  $V(2)$  stands for the 3-dimensional irreducible  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -module). Since  $M(G') \neq (0)$  and  $G$  satisfies (g2),  $G_{-2} = [G_{-1}, G_{-1}]$  is a nonzero  $G_0$ -submodule of  $M(G')$ . Now  $V(2) \cong V(2)^*$  and  $\wedge^3 V(2) \cong F$  as  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules. It follows that the  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules  $\wedge^2 V(2)$  and  $V(2)$  are isomorphic. As  $[G_{-1}, G_{-1}]$  is a homomorphic image of  $\wedge^2 G_{-1}$  we deduce that  $G_{-2} \cong V(2)$  as  $G_0^{(1)}$ -modules. From this it is immediate that

$$G_{-2} = F[\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_2}, \tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}] \oplus F[\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_2}, \tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}}] \oplus F[\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}, \tilde{e}_{-\tilde{\alpha}}].$$

Moreover,  $\tilde{v} := [\tilde{e}_{-\alpha_2}, \tilde{e}_{-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}]$  generates the  $G_0$ -module  $G_{-2}$  and has the property that  $[\tilde{e}_{\alpha_1}, \tilde{v}] = 0$ . Since  $M(G') \cap G_{-1} = (0)$  we must have  $[\tilde{e}_{\alpha_2}, \tilde{v}] = 0$ . Also,

$$[\tilde{h}_1, \tilde{v}] = \langle -\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2, \alpha_1^\vee \rangle \tilde{v} = \left( -2 - 4 \frac{(2\epsilon_2 | \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)}{(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 | \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)} \right) \tilde{v} = 2\tilde{v}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{h}_2, \tilde{v}] &= \langle -\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle \tilde{v} = \left( -2 \frac{(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 | 2\epsilon_2)}{(2\epsilon_2 | 2\epsilon_2)} - 4 \right) \tilde{v} \\ &= (p - 3)\tilde{v}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $M(G')^2 \subset \sum_{i \leq -4} G_i$ , the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V_1 = M(G')^1 / M(G')^2$  is generated by  $v$ , the image of  $\tilde{v}$  in  $V_1$ . Let  $V'_1$  be a maximal submodule of the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V_1$ , and  $\bar{V}_1 := V_1 / V'_1$ . Since  $v \notin V'_1$  the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $\bar{V}_1$  is generated by  $\bar{v}$ , the image of  $v$  in  $\bar{V}_1$ . Let  $L(\nu)$  denote the irreducible rational  $\mathbf{G}$ -module with highest weight  $\nu = 2\omega_1 + (p - 3)\omega_2 \in X(\mathbf{T})$ . Let  $\rho_\nu : \mathbf{G} \rightarrow GL(L(\nu))$  denote the corresponding representation of  $\mathbf{G}$ , and

$$d\rho_\nu : \mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(L(\nu))$$

the tangent map at  $1 \in \mathbf{G}$ . Since  $\nu \in X^+(\mathbf{T})$  is  $p$ -restricted  $d\rho_\nu$  is an irreducible restricted representation of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $L(\nu)$  (see, e.g., [Bo]). By Lemma 6.2(4),  $\bar{V}_1$  is a restricted  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module. By construction, the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $\bar{V}_1$  is irreducible and generated by a primitive vector of weight  $\nu$  (or rather  $d\nu \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ ). Applying Curtis's theorem we now obtain that  $\bar{V}_1 \cong L(\nu)$  as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules (see, e.g., [Bo]). By the main result of [P 88],  $\mu \in X^+(\mathbf{T})$  is a  $T$ -weight of  $L(\nu)$  if and only if  $\nu - \mu \in Q_+$ . Since  $\nu - 0 = \tilde{\alpha} + (p - 3)(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \in Q_+$ , zero is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -weight of  $L(\nu)$ . But then  $\mathfrak{t} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{T}$  kills a nonzero vector of  $L(\nu)$ . This implies that  $\text{ann}_{\bar{V}_1} \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$  forcing  $\text{ann}_{G_k} \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$  for some  $k < 0$ . This contradicts the inclusion  $C_G(\mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$  and proves the lemma. ■

LEMMA 6.5.  $\mathfrak{g} \not\cong \text{Der } \mathfrak{D}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose the contrary and let  $\mathbf{G}$  be a simple algebraic group of type  $G_2$  such that  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{G}$  (we may assume that  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Der } \mathfrak{D}$  and then take  $\mathbf{G} = \text{Aut } \mathfrak{D}$ ). Let  $\mathbf{T}$  be a maximal algebraic torus in  $\mathbf{G}$ , and  $\mathfrak{t}' = \text{Lie } \mathbf{T}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{t}'$  is a 2-dimensional torus in  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Let  $R$  be the root system of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{T}$ ,  $B = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$  a basis of simple roots in  $R$ ,  $\{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$  the system of fundamental weights associated with  $B$ , and  $X^+(\mathbf{T}) = \mathbb{N}_0\omega_1 + \mathbb{N}_0\omega_2$  the set of dominant weights. We denote by  $L(\lambda)$  the irreducible rational  $\mathbf{G}$ -module with highest weight  $\lambda \in X^+(\mathbf{T})$ . The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } \mathbf{G}$  acts on  $L(\lambda)$  via the differential at  $1 \in \mathbf{G}$  of the linear representation  $\mathbf{G} \rightarrow GL(L(\lambda))$ . This gives  $L(\lambda)$  a canonical restricted  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module structure.

By Lemma 6.2(1),  $M(G') \neq (0)$ . Then  $M(G')/M(G')^2$  is a nonzero  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module. Let  $W$  be a composition factor of the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $M(G')/M(G')^2$ . By Lemma 6.2(4),  $W$  is a restricted  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module. By Curtis's theorem ([Bo]), there is  $\eta = a_1\omega_1 + a_2\omega_2 \in X^+(\mathbf{T})$  with  $0 \leq a_1, a_2 < p$  such that  $W \cong L(\eta)$  as  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules.

Let  $Q_+ = \mathbb{N}_0\alpha_1 + \mathbb{N}_0\alpha_2$ . A special feature of the present case is the inclusion  $\{\omega_1, \omega_2\} \subset Q_+$  which yields  $X^+(\mathbf{T}) \subset Q_+$  (see [B2]). Hence  $\eta - 0 \in Q_+$ . But then zero is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -weight of  $L(\eta)$  (see [P 88]); hence  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t}' \neq (0)$ . By [P-St 99, Corollary 2.11(1)],  $\text{ann}_W \mathfrak{t} \neq (0)$ . This contradicts the inclusion  $C_G(\mathfrak{t}) \subset G_{(0)}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{g} \not\cong \text{Der } \mathfrak{D}$ . ■

The proof of Theorem 1.1 is now complete.

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