

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-i} \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, \widehat{v}_i, \dots, v_n) \cdot \text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-2}, v_i) \cdot w \quad (2.4)$$

(see (1.7)). Set $V := I + V_1$ (direct sum). For v_i from I or V ($i \in \underline{n}$) let

$$[v_1, \dots, v_n] := \begin{cases} [v_1, \dots, v_n]_1 & \text{if } v_i \in V_1 \text{ for all } i \\ (-1)^{n-i} \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, \widehat{v}_i, \dots, v_n) \cdot v_i & \text{if only } v_i \in I \\ 0 & \text{if at least two of } v_i \in I \end{cases}$$

Extending it linearly to V , then we get an alternating n -ary operation $[v_1, \dots, v_n]$ on V with respect to which V becomes an n -Lie algebra.

In fact, for the $2n - 1$ elements u_i ($i \in \underline{n-1}$) and v_i ($i \in \underline{n}$) in V_1 or I let

$$\begin{aligned} a &:= [u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, [v_1, \dots, v_n]] \\ b &:= \sum_{i=1}^n [v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, [u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, v_i], v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n]. \end{aligned}$$

If all u_i and all v_i are in V_1 , then $a = b$, since V_1 is an n -Lie algebra; if only one of the u_i is in I and all v_i are in V_1 (since the product is alternating, we may assume that $u_{n-1} \in I$), then by (2.4)

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -[u_1, \dots, u_{n-2}, [v_1, \dots, v_n], u_{n-1}] \\ &= -\text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-2}, [v_1, \dots, v_n]_1) \cdot u_{n-1} \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-i} \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, \widehat{v}_i, \dots, v_n) \cdot \text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-2}, v_i) \cdot u_{n-1} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-i} [v_1, \dots, \widehat{v}_i, \dots, v_n, [u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, v_i]] \\ &= b; \end{aligned}$$

if all u_i are from V and only one of the v_i is from I , say v_n , then

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) \cdot \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}) \cdot v_n \\ &= [\text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}), \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, v_{n-1})] \cdot v_n \\ &\quad + \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}) \cdot \text{ad}_1(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) \cdot v_n \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \text{ad}_1(v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, [u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, v_i]_1, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_{n-1}) \cdot v_n \\ &\quad + \text{ad}(v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}) \cdot \text{ad}(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) \cdot v_n \\ &= b; \end{aligned}$$