

# The classifications of low-dimensional Hom-Lie triple systems

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## Abstract

In this paper, we determined the two dimensional and three dimensional endomorphism of Lie triple systems on complex field using undetermined coefficients method, and then classified the Hom-Lie triple systems when the twisted map  $\alpha$  is not equal to the identity map.

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## 1 Introduction

A Hom-Lie algebra is a vector space endowed with a skew symmetric bracket satisfying a Jacobi identity twisted by a map. Before Hom-Lie algebras appeared, Hu studied  $q$ -Lie algebras, which are special Hom-Lie algebras[3]. Lie algebras are special cases of Hom-Lie algebras when the twisted map is the identity map. The notion of Hom-Lie algebras was introduced by Hartwig, Larsson and Silvestrov to describe the  $q$ -deformation of the Witt and the Virasoro algebras[2]. Since then, Hom-type algebras have been investigated by many authors. In particular, the notion of Hom-Lie triple systems was introduced by Yau[7].

We have known the classification of low-dimensional Lie triple systems. We can determine the low-dimensional endomorphism of Lie triple systems by using undetermined coefficients method. And then we can classify the two dimensional Hom-Lie triple systems and three dimensional Hom-Lie triple systems when the twisted map  $\alpha$  is a multiplicative map.

## 2 Preliminary Notes

We start by recalling the definitions of Lie triple systems and Hom-Lie triple systems.

**Definition 2.1** [4] A vector space  $T$  together with a trilinear map  $(x, y, z) \mapsto [x, y, z]$  is called a Lie triple system (LTS for short) if

$$(1) [x, x, z] = 0,$$

$$(2) [x, y, z] + [y, z, x] + [z, x, y] = 0,$$

$$(3) [u, v, [x, y, z]] = [[u, v, x], y, z] + [x, [u, v, y], z] + [x, y, [u, v, z]],$$

for all  $x, y, z, u, v \in T$ .

**Definition 2.2** [7] A Hom-Lie triple system (Hom-LTS for short)  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2))$  consists of an  $\mathbf{F}$ -vector space  $T$ , a trilinear map  $[\cdot, \cdot, \cdot] : T \times T \times T \rightarrow T$ , and linear maps  $\alpha_i : T \rightarrow T$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , called twisted maps, such that for all  $x, y, z, u, v \in T$ ,

$$(1) [x, x, z] = 0,$$

$$(2) [x, y, z] + [y, z, x] + [z, x, y] = 0,$$

$$(3) [\alpha_1(u), \alpha_2(v), [x, y, z]] = [[u, v, x], \alpha_1(y), \alpha_2(z)] + [\alpha_1(x), [u, v, y], \alpha_2(z)] \\ + [\alpha_1(x), \alpha_2(y), [u, v, z]].$$

A Hom-Lie triple system is said to be multiplicative if  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$  and  $\alpha([x, y, z]) = [\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(z)]$ , and denoted by  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$ .

A morphism  $f : (T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) \rightarrow (T', [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]', \alpha' = (\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2))$  of Hom-Lie triple systems is a linear map satisfying  $f([x, y, z]) = [f(x), f(y), f(z)]'$  and  $f \circ \alpha_i = \alpha'_i \circ f$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . An isomorphism is a bijective morphism.

**Remark 2.3** When the twisted maps  $\alpha_i$  are both equal to the identity map, a Hom-Lie triple system is a Lie triple system. So Lie triple systems are special examples of Hom-Lie triple systems. More results about the Hom-Lie triple system are referred to [7].

**Definition 2.4** [7] Let  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a Hom-Lie triple system, a subspace  $D \subset T$  is called a Hom-subsystem if  $\alpha(D) \subset D$  and  $[D, D, D] \subset D$ . A subspace  $D \subset T$  is called a Hom-ideal if  $\alpha(D) \subset D$  and  $[D, T, T] \subset D$ .

Throughout this paper  $\mathbf{F}$  denotes an arbitrary field and Hom-Lie triple systems are multiplicative.

### 3 Main Results

**Lemma 3.1** [1]  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot])$  is a 2-dimensional Lie triple system on complex field and  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  is its basis. Then we can find the possibility of the following types

- (1)  $T$  is an Abelian Lie triple system,
- (2)  $[e_1, e_2, e_1] = 0, [e_1, e_2, e_2] = e_1,$
- (3)  $[e_1, e_2, e_1] = e_1, [e_1, e_2, e_2] = e_2.$

**Theorem 3.2**  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is a 2-dimensional Hom-Lie triple system on complex field and  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  is its basis. Then we can find the possibility of the following types, when the twisted map  $\alpha$  is not equal to the identity map,

- (1)  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is an Abelian Hom-Lie triple system,
- (2)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = 0, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = \lambda_1 e_1, \lambda_1 \neq 0,$
- (3)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_1 e_1, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_1} e_2, \lambda_1 \neq 0,$
- (4)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_2 e_2, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_2} e_1, \lambda_2 \neq 0.$

*Proof.* We suppose that  $\alpha(e_1) = \lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2, \alpha(e_2) = \beta_1 e_1 + \beta_2 e_2, A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \beta_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \beta_2 \end{pmatrix}.$

(1)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = 0, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = 0.$  Thus,  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is an Abelian Hom-Lie triple system.

(2) We have

$$\begin{aligned} & [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = 0 \\ &= [\lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2, \beta_1 e_1 + \beta_2 e_2, \lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2] \\ &= \lambda_1 \beta_2 \lambda_1 [e_1, e_2, e_1] + \lambda_1 \beta_2 \lambda_2 [e_1, e_2, e_2] + \lambda_2 \beta_1 \lambda_1 [e_2, e_1, e_1] + \lambda_2 \beta_1 \lambda_2 [e_2, e_1, e_2] \\ &= (\lambda_1 \beta_2 \lambda_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1 \lambda_2) [e_1, e_2, e_2] \\ &= (\lambda_1 \beta_2 \lambda_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1 \lambda_2) e_1. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = \alpha(e_1) = \lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2 \\ &= (\lambda_1 \beta_2 \beta_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1 \beta_2) [e_1, e_2, e_2] \\ &= (\lambda_1 \beta_2 \beta_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1 \beta_2) e_1. \end{aligned}$$

So, we can obtain

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_2(\lambda_1 \beta_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1) = 0 \\ \beta_2(\lambda_1 \beta_2 - \lambda_2 \beta_1) = \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

That is

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_2 = 0 \\ \lambda_1 \beta_2 \beta_2 = \lambda_1. \end{cases}$$

We can get two types

a.  $\lambda_1 = 0$ , then  $\beta_1, \beta_2$  can take all elements in  $T$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta_1 \\ 0 & \beta_2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

b.  $\lambda_1 \neq 0$ , then  $\beta_2 = \pm 1$ ,  $\beta_1$  can take all elements in  $T$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \beta_1 \\ 0 & \pm 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Thus, we obtain a type of the classification of 2-dimensional Hom-Lie triple systems  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = 0$ ,  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = \lambda_1 e_1$ ,  $\lambda_1 \neq 0$ .

(3) Using the same method which is used in (2). Thus, we obtain two types of the classification of 2-dimensional Hom-Lie triple systems

(i)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_1 e_1$ ,  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_1} e_2$ ,  $\lambda_1 \neq 0$ .

(ii)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_2 e_2$ ,  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_2} e_1$ ,  $\lambda_2 \neq 0$ . □

**Lemma 3.3** [1]  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot])$  is a 3-dimensional Lie triple system on complex field and  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is its basis. Then we can find the possibility of the following types

(1)  $T$  is an Abelian Lie triple system,

(2)  $T$  is a simple Lie triple system,

(3)  $[e_2, e_3, e_3] = e_2$ ,

(4)  $[e_1, e_2, e_1] = e_3$ ,

(5)  $[e_1, e_3, e_3] = e_1$ ,  $[e_2, e_3, e_3] = e_1$ ,

(6)  $[e_1, e_2, e_1] = e_1$ ,  $[e_1, e_2, e_2] = -e_2$ ,

the others are zero.

**Theorem 3.4**  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is a 3-dimensional Hom-Lie triple system on complex field and  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is its basis. Then we can find the possibility of the following types, when the twisted map  $\alpha$  is not equal to the identity map,

(1)  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is an Abelian Hom-Lie triple system,

(2)  $(T, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_\alpha, \alpha)$  is a simple Hom-Lie triple system,

(3)  $[\alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_3), \alpha(e_3)] = \beta_2 e_2$ ,  $\beta_2 \neq 0$ ,

(4)  $[\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_3)] = \lambda_1^2 \beta_2 e_3$ ,  $\lambda_1 \beta_2 \neq 0$ ,

$$(5) [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_3), \alpha(e_3)] = (\beta_1 + \beta_2)e_1, [\alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_3), \alpha(e_3)] = (\beta_1 + \beta_2)e_1, \beta_1 + \beta_2 \neq 0,$$

$$(6) [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_1 e_1, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_1} e_2, \lambda_1 \neq 0,$$

$$(7) [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_1)] = \lambda_2 e_2, [\alpha(e_1), \alpha(e_2), \alpha(e_2)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda_2} e_1, \lambda_2 \neq 0,$$

the others are zero.

*Proof.* We can obtain the results in the same way which is used in Theorem 2.2.  $\square$

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