

# **POLYNOMIAL IDENTITIES FOR TENSOR PRODUCTS OF GRASS- MANN ALGEBRAS**

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**Abstract:** Let  $E$  be the Grassmann (or exterior) algebra of an infinite-dimensional vector space over a field of characteristic 0 and let  $E_k$  be the Grassmann algebra of a  $k$ -dimensional vector space. We describe the  $S_n$ -cocharacters and the asymptotic behaviour of the codimensions for the T-ideals of the polynomial identities for the tensor products  $E_k \otimes E_l$  and  $E \otimes E_l$ ,  $k, l \geq 2$ . As a consequence, we obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for the inclusion of the T-ideals  $T(E_k \otimes E_l) \subset T(E_{k'} \otimes E_{l'})$ .

## **Introduction**

Let  $K\langle X \rangle$  be the free unitary associative algebra freely generated by a countable set of variables  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  over a field  $K$  of characteristic 0. For any unitary PI-algebra  $R$  we denote by  $T(R)$  the

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ideal of  $K\langle X \rangle$  consisting of all polynomial identities for  $R$ ;  $T(R)$  is called a T-ideal. Kemer [7] has discovered the structure theory of T-ideals. It turns out that all T-prime ideals correspond to algebras obtained by constructions with the  $n \times n$  matrix algebra  $M_n(K)$  and the Grassmann (or exterior) algebra  $E$ . The set of T-prime ideals is closed under tensor products over  $K$ . If  $T(R_1)$  and  $T(R_2)$  are T-prime ideals, then  $T(R_1 \otimes R_2)$  is also T-prime. The largest T-prime ideals are  $T(K) = T(M_1(K))$ ,  $T(M_2(K))$ ,  $T(E)$  and  $T(E \otimes E)$  with inclusions  $T(K) \supset T(M_2(K))$  and  $T(K) \supset T(E) \supset T(E \otimes E)$ . The structure of  $T(K)$  is very simple, that of  $T(E)$  is also well known [8]. Since  $T(E \otimes E)$  is the minimal T-prime ideal which is not contained in  $T(M_2(K))$ , it is an important object in the investigation of the non-matrix polynomial identities. Popov [10] has obtained a generating set for  $T(E \otimes E)$  and has computed its  $S_n$ -cocharacters. The T-ideals  $T(E \otimes E)$  and  $T(M_2(K))$  have some similar properties and can be treated with the same combinatorial techniques. The second author [5] has computed the codimensions of  $T(E \otimes E)$  and jointly with Luisa Carini [1] the Hilbert (or Poincaré) series of  $T(E \otimes E)$ . Recently the first author [3] has described the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded polynomial identities for  $E \otimes E$ .

In this paper we describe the polynomial identities for the tensor product  $E_k \otimes E_l$  of two finite-dimensional Grassmann algebras and, as a consequence, the polynomial identities of  $E \otimes E_l$ . The algebras  $E_{2k}$  and  $E_{2k+1}$  have the same polynomial identities and it is sufficient to consider the algebras  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  and  $E \otimes E_{2l}$ ,  $k \geq l \geq 1$ . Since we work with unitary algebras only, we study the proper (or commutator) polynomial identities introduced by Specht [11]. Our main result is the computing of the proper  $S_n$ -cocharacter sequence of  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  and  $E \otimes E_{2l}$ . There exists a simple relationship between the proper and the ordinary  $S_n$ -cocharacters [4] and our result allows to obtain also the usual cocharacters. As a consequence we give a sufficient and necessary condition for the inclusion  $T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \subset T(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$ . This holds if and only if  $k + l \geq k' + l'$  and  $l \geq l'$ . We also determine the exact asymptotic behaviour of the codimension sequences of  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  and  $E \otimes E_{2l}$ .

## 1. Proper identities

We fix a field  $K$  of characteristic 0. All algebras which we con-

sider are unitary  $K$ -algebras, all vector spaces and tensor products are also over  $K$ . We use the following notation:  $K\langle X \rangle$  is the free associative algebra generated by  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ ,  $K\langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle$  is the free subalgebra of rank  $m$ ,  $P_n$  is the space of the multilinear polynomials of degree  $n$  in  $K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . For an algebra  $R$  we denote by  $T(R)$  the set of all polynomial identities for  $R$ .

A self-contained background and references on the proper (or commutator) polynomial identities can be found in [6]. We follow the notation in [6]. We define commutators of length  $\geq 2$  by

$$[x_1, x_2] = x_1 \text{ad} x_2 = x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_1, [x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n] = [[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}], x_n].$$

An element  $f(x_1, \dots, x_m) \in K\langle X \rangle$  is called *proper* if  $f$  is a linear combination of products of commutators  $[x_{i_1}, \dots] \dots [\dots, x_{i_n}]$ . We denote by  $\Gamma_n$  the space of the multilinear proper polynomials of degree  $n$ . For a PI-algebra  $R$  we denote

$$P_n(R) = P_n / (P_n \cap T(R)), \quad \Gamma_n(R) = \Gamma_n / (\Gamma_n \cap T(R)).$$

The vector spaces  $P_n(R)$  and  $\Gamma_n(R)$  are  $S_n$ -modules, where  $S_n$  is the symmetric group of degree  $n$ . Their  $S_n$ -characters are called respectively the  $n$ -th *cocharacter* and the  $n$ -th *proper cocharacter* of  $T(R)$  (or of  $R$ ). The degrees of these characters, i.e. the dimensions

$$c_n(R) = \dim P_n(R), \quad \gamma_n(R) = \dim \Gamma_n(R),$$

are called the  $n$ -th *codimension* and the  $n$ -th *proper codimension* of  $T(R)$ .

We fix a partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r)$  of  $n$  (notation  $\lambda \vdash n$ ). We denote by  $M(\lambda)$  the irreducible  $S_n$ -module corresponding to  $\lambda$  and by  $T_\lambda(\tau)$  the  $\lambda$ -tableau corresponding to  $\tau \in S_n$ .

$\tau(1)$	$\tau(r_1 + 1)$	...	...	$\tau(n - r_k + 1)$
$\tau(2)$	$\tau(r_1 + 2)$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	...	...	$\tau(n)$
$\tau(r_2)$	$\tau(r_1 + r_2)$			
$\tau(r_2 + 1)$				
$\vdots$				
$\tau(r_1)$				$T_\lambda(\tau)$

Let  $P$  and  $\Xi$  be the row and the column stabilizers of  $T_\lambda(\tau)$ , respectively.

Up to a multiplicative constant the element

$$t_{\lambda\tau} = \sum_{\substack{\rho \in P \\ \xi \in \Xi}} (-1)^\xi \rho \xi \in KS_n, \quad (-1)^\xi = \text{sign}\xi$$

is a minimal idempotent of  $KS_n$  and generates an  $S_n$ -module  $M(\lambda) \subset KS_n$ .

Let  $d = [x_1, \dots] \dots [\dots, x_n]$  be a product of commutators of length  $\geq 2$  and let

$$V_d = KS_n(d) = \text{sp}\{\pi d = [x_{\pi(1)}, \dots] \dots [\dots, x_{\pi(n)}] \mid \pi \in S_n\}.$$

Then  $\Gamma_n = \sum V_d$ , where the sum is on all possible products  $d$  of length  $n$ . If the polynomial

$$\phi_\lambda = \phi_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = t_{\lambda\tau}d$$

is non-zero in  $V_d$ , then  $\phi_\lambda$  generates an  $S_n$ -submodule  $M(\lambda)$  of  $\Gamma_n$ . Replacing by the same variable  $x_p$  all the variables of  $\phi_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  whose indices are in the  $p$ -th row of  $T_\lambda(\tau)$ ,  $p = 1, \dots, r$ , we obtain a proper polynomial

$$f_\lambda = f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$$

which is the highest weight vector of the polynomial representation of the general linear group corresponding to the partition  $\lambda$  and the linearization of  $f_\lambda$  equals  $\phi_\lambda$  up to a multiplicative constant.

**Lemma 1.1.** *If  $n \geq m$  and  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  and  $\lambda = (\mu_1 + 1, \dots, \nu_r + 1, 1^{n-m-r})$  are partitions of  $m$  and  $n$ , respectively, then*

$$\dim M(\lambda) = \frac{1}{m!} \dim M(\mu) \psi_\mu(n),$$

where  $\psi_\mu(n) \in \mathbb{Q}[n]$  is a polynomial of degree  $m$  in  $n$  and the leading term of  $\psi_\mu(n)$  is equal to 1.

**Proof.** The dimension of  $M(\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda \vdash n$ , is given by the hook formula

$$\dim M(\lambda) = n! \prod h_{ij}^{-1}(\lambda),$$

where  $h_{ij}(\lambda)$  is the length of the  $(i, j)$ -th hook of the Young diagram of  $\lambda$ , i.e.  $h_{ij}(\lambda) = \lambda_i + \lambda'_j - (i + j) + 1$ , where  $\lambda'_j$  is the length of the  $j$ -th column of the diagram. The hooks of  $\lambda$  are equal to

$$h_{i1}(\lambda) = n - m + 1 - i + \mu_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, r,$$

$$h_{i1}(\lambda) = n - m + 1 - i, \quad i = r + 1, \dots, n - m,$$

$$h_{ij}(\lambda) = h_{i,j-1}(\mu), \quad j > 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, r.$$

Hence

$$\dim M(\lambda) = \frac{1}{m!} (m!) \prod h_{ij}^{-1}(\mu)) \frac{n!}{(n-m-r)!} \prod_{i=1}^r (n-m+1-i+\mu_i)^{-1} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{m!} \dim M(\mu) \psi_\mu(n)$$

and

$$\psi_\mu(n) = n(n-1)\dots(n-m-r+1) \prod_{i=1}^r (n-m+1-i+\mu_i)^{-1}$$

is a polynomial of degree  $m$  in  $n$  with leading term equal to 1.  $\diamond$

**Proposition 1.2.** [4, 5] Let  $R$  be a PI-algebra.

(i) If  $P_n(R) = \sum m(\lambda)M(\lambda)$ ,  $\Gamma_n(R) = \sum m'(\mu)M(\mu)$ , then  $m(\lambda) = \sum m'(\mu)$ , where for  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r)$  the summation runs over all partitions  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  such that  $\lambda_1 \geq \mu_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r \geq \mu_r$ .

(ii) The codimension sequence  $c_n(R)$  and the proper codimension sequence  $\gamma_n(R)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are related by the equality

$$c_n(R) = \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} \gamma_m(R);$$

(iii) The codimension series  $c(R, t) = \sum c(R)t^n$  and the proper codimension series  $\gamma(R, t) = \sum \gamma_n(R)t^n$  satisfy the equation

$$c(R, t) = \frac{1}{1-t} \gamma(R, \frac{t}{1-t}).$$

**Proposition 1.3.** [10]  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E) = \sum M(a+2, 2^b, 1^c) + \varepsilon_n M(1^n)$ , where  $(a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \vdash n$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$ ;  $\varepsilon_n = 0$  for  $n$  odd and  $\varepsilon_n = 1$  for  $n$  even. Here  $(a+2, 2^b, 1^c)$  is a short notation for the partition

$$(a+2, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_b, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_c).$$

Since  $T(E_k \otimes E_l) \supset T(E \otimes E_l) \supset T(E \otimes E)$ , we obtain that  $\Gamma_n(E_k \otimes E_l)$  and  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E_l)$  are factor modules of  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E)$ . In order to obtain the proper cocharacters of  $E_k \otimes E_l$  it is sufficient to establish for which irreducible  $S_n$ -modules  $M(\lambda) \subset \Gamma_n(E \otimes E)$ ,  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r)$ , the corresponding polynomial  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  vanishes on  $E_k \otimes E_l$ . We fix the following polynomials  $f_\lambda = f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_{c+1})$  for  $\lambda = (a+2, 1^c)$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $c \geq 1$ :

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(2p)} (x_{\sigma(2p+1)} \text{ad}^{r+1} x_1)$$

for  $\lambda = (r+2, 1^{2p})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(2p-2)} ([x_{\sigma(2p-1)}, x_{\sigma(2p)}] \text{ad}^{r+1} x_1)$$

for  $\lambda = (r+2, 1^{2p-1})$ ; and  $f_\lambda = f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_{b+c+1})$  for  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c)$ ,  $a, c \geq 0$ ,  $b > 0$ :

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^r x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(2p)} x_{\tau(1)} \dots$$

$$\dots x_{\tau(2q-2)} ([x_{\tau(2q-1)}, x_{\tau(2q)}] \text{ad}^r x_1)$$

for  $\lambda = (r+2, 2^{2q-1}, 1^{2(p-q)})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^r x_{\sigma(1)} \dots$$

$$\dots x_{\sigma(2p-2)} ([x_{\sigma(2p-1)}, x_{\sigma(2p)}] \text{ad}^{2r} x_1), x_{\tau(1)}] x_{\tau(2)} \dots x_{\tau(2q+1)}$$

for  $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)-1})$  and  $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2p-1}, 1^{2(q-p)+1})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^r x_{\sigma(1)} \dots$$

$$\dots x_{\sigma(2p-2)} ([x_{\sigma(2p-1)}, x_{\sigma(2p)}], x_{\tau(1)}] \text{ad}^{2r+1} x_1) x_{\tau(2)} \dots x_{\tau(2q+1)}$$

for  $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)-1})$  and  $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2p-1}, 1^{2(q-p)+1})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^r [([x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}] \text{ad}^{2r} x_1), x_{\tau(1)}] [x_{\tau(2)}, x_{\tau(3)}, x_{\sigma(3)}] \times$$

$$\times x_{\sigma(4)} \dots x_{\sigma(2p+1)} x_{\tau(4)} \dots x_{\tau(2q+1)}$$

for  $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^r x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(2p)} x_{\tau(1)} \dots$$

$$\dots x_{\tau(2q)} [(x_{\tau(2q+1)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} x_1), x_{\sigma(2p+1)}]$$

for  $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)})$ ;

$$f_\lambda = s_{2p}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}),$$

for  $\lambda = (1^{2p})$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , where

$$s_m(x_1, \dots, x_m) = \sum (-1)^\sigma x_{\sigma(1)} \dots x_{\sigma(m)}$$

is the standard polynomial of degree  $m$ . Since the standard polynomial of even degree is proper, it is easy to see that all the polynomials  $f_\lambda$  are also proper. Up to a multiplicative constant the linearization of each  $f_\lambda$  is equal to  $\phi_\lambda = t_{\lambda\tau} d$  for some  $\tau \in S_n$  and a product of commutators  $d$  and generates a submodule  $M(\lambda)$  of  $\Gamma_n$ ,  $\lambda \vdash n$ . Some of the  $f_\lambda$ 's are as in the paper by Popov [10] but some of them are replaced by more convenient polynomials.

## 2. Preliminary reductions

Let  $V$  be a countably dimensional vector space with basis  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ . The *Grassmann* (or *exterior*) *algebra*  $E = E(V)$  of  $V$  is the algebra generated by  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  with defining relations  $e_i e_j = -e_j e_i$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots$ . The Grassmann algebra  $E_k$  of a  $k$ -dimensional vector space is generated by  $e_1, \dots, e_k$ . Let  $E \otimes E$  be the tensor square of  $E$ . We fix generators  $e_1 \otimes 1, e_2 \otimes 1, \dots$  of  $E \otimes 1$  and  $1 \otimes \tilde{e}_1, 1 \otimes \tilde{e}_2, \dots$  of  $1 \otimes E$  and write the elements  $u \otimes v \in E \otimes E$  as  $uv$  without the symbol  $\otimes$  between  $u$  and  $v$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *For  $\delta, \varepsilon = 0, 1$ ,*

$$T(E_{2k+\delta} \otimes E_{2l+\varepsilon}) = T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}), T(E \otimes E_{2l+\varepsilon}) = T(E \otimes E_{2l}).$$

**Proof.** By [9, Th. 1], if  $A_1, A_2, B_1$  and  $B_2$  are PI-algebras such that  $T(A_1) = T(A_2)$ ,  $T(B_1) = T(B_2)$ , then  $T(A_1 \otimes B_1) = T(A_2 \otimes B_2)$ . Since the T-ideals  $T(E_{2k+1})$  and  $T(E_{2k})$  are equal (see e.g. [2]), this gives immediately the proof of the lemma.  $\diamond$

In the sequel we fix  $k \geq l \geq 1$  and study the polynomial identities for  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  and  $E \otimes E_{2l}$ . We use an idea from [3]. The algebra  $E$  has a natural  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -grading  $E = E^{[0]} \oplus E^{[1]}$ , where  $E^{[0]}$  and  $E^{[1]}$  are spanned on the products of even and odd length, respectively. We denote by  $y$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots$  arbitrary elements of  $E^{[1]} \otimes E^{[1]}$  and by  $z_1, z_2, \dots$  arbitrary elements of  $E^{[1]} \otimes E^{[0]} \oplus E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[1]}$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *The elements  $y, y_1, y_2, \dots, z_1, z_2, \dots$  satisfy:*

- (i)  $yy_1, [z_1, z_2]$  and  $y(z_1 \circ z_2)$  are central in  $E \otimes E$ , where  $z_1 \circ z_2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_1$ ;
- (ii)  $yy_1 = y_1 y, z_1 y = -y z_1, z_1 (\text{ad}^r y) = (-2)^r y^r z_1$ ;
- (iii)  $[y^{2r} z_1, z_2] = y^{2r} [z_1, z_2], [y^{2r+1} z_1, z_2] = y^{2r+1} (z_1 \circ z_2)$ ;
- (iv) If  $\bar{x}_1 = y, \bar{x}_i = z_i, i = 2, \dots, q$ , then

$$\sum (-1)^\sigma \bar{x}_{\sigma(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{\sigma(q)} = qy \sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(q)};$$

- (v)  $z_2 \text{ad}^r(y + z_1) = (-2)^{r-1} y^{r-1} (-2yz_2 + (-1)^r z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_1) \equiv (-2)^r y^r z_2$  modulo the centre of  $E \otimes E$ ;
- (vi)  $z_3 z_2 z_1 = -z_1 z_2 z_3$ ;
- (vii)  $z_1 z_2 z_1 = 0, z_2 z_1^2 = -z_1^2 z_2, z_3 z_4 z_1 z_2 = z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4, z_2^2 z_1^2 = z_1^2 z_2^2$ ;
- (viii)  $yuy_1 = y_1 uy, z_1 uz_1 v z_1 = 0$  for all  $u, v \in E \otimes E$ .

**Proof.** The case (i) is obvious because  $yy_1, [z_1, z_2], y(z_1 \circ z_2) \in E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[0]}$ , the centre of  $E \otimes E$ . Since the identity  $z_1 y = -y z_1$  from (ii) is multilinear in  $y$  and  $z_1$ , it suffices to consider only the cases  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1$ ,

$z_1 = e_2$  and  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1$ ,  $z_1 = \tilde{e}_2$ , similarly for  $yy_1 = y_1y$ . The verification is trivial. This gives also (iii) and (iv) which are consequences of (i) and (ii). For example,

$$\begin{aligned} [y^{2r+1} z_1, z_2] &= (y^2)^r [yz_1, z_2] = y^{2r} (yz_1 z_2 - z_2 yz_1) = \\ &= y^{2r} (yz_1 z_2 + yz_2 z_1) = y^{2r+1} (z_1 \circ z_2). \end{aligned}$$

(v) We use induction on  $r$ . For  $r = 1$ ,  $z_2 \text{ad}(y + z_1) = -2yz_2 + [z_2, z_1] \equiv \equiv -2yz_2$  modulo the centre  $E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[0]}$  of  $E \otimes E$ . Let  $z_2 \text{ad}^r(y + z_1) \equiv \equiv (-2)^r y^r z_2$  (mod  $E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[0]}$ ). Then

$$\begin{aligned} z_2 \text{ad}^{r+1}(y + z_1) &= (-2)^r [y^r z_2, y + z_1] = \\ &= (-2)^r (y^r [z_2, y] + y^r z_2 z_1 - z_1 y^r z_2) = \\ &= (-2)^r (-2y^{r+1} z_2 + y^r ((-1)^{r+1} z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_1)). \end{aligned}$$

In both the cases  $r$  even and  $r$  odd,  $y^r ((-1)^{r+1} z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_1) \in E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[0]}$ . For (vi) it is sufficient to consider the cases  $z_i \in \{e_i, \tilde{e}_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , and (6) can be also easily checked. The identities from (vii) are consequences of (vi); (viii) follows from (ii) and (vii).  $\diamond$

By the convention of Section 1, for  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r) = (a + + 2, 2^b, 1^c) \vdash n$ ,  $r = b + c + 1$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b + c > 0$ ,  $\tau \in S_n$  and a product of commutators  $d$  we consider the polynomial  $\phi_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = t_{\lambda, \tau} d$  and its symmetrization  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *If  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  is not a polynomial identity for  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ , then*

$$2a + 2b + c + 2 \leq 2(k + l), \quad a + b + 1 \leq 2l.$$

**Proof.** Every variable of  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  is in a commutator. Since  $E^{[0]} \otimes E^{[0]}$  is the centre of  $E \otimes E$ , there exist elements  $y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_r + z_r$  such that

$$\bar{f}_\lambda = f_\lambda(y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_r + z_r) \neq 0,$$

$$y_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}, \quad z_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[0]} \oplus E_{2k}^{[0]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}.$$

Let  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$  and let  $f_\lambda^{(\alpha)}$  be the homogeneous component of  $\bar{f}_\lambda$  of degree  $\alpha_i$  in  $y_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . By Lemma 2.2 (viii),  $\bar{f}_\lambda = \sum f_\lambda^{(\alpha)}$ , where the summation runs over all  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha_i \leq 2$ . Using Lemma 2.2 (ii) and (vii) we can write every non-zero  $f_\lambda^{(\alpha)}$  in the form

$$f_\lambda^{(\alpha)} = y_1^{\beta_1} \dots y_r^{\beta_r} z_{i_1}^2 \dots z_{i_s}^2 g_\alpha(z_{j_1}, \dots, z_{j_t}),$$

where  $\beta_i = \lambda_i - \alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_{i_1} = \dots = \alpha_{i_s} = 2$ ,  $\alpha_{j_1} = \dots = \alpha_{j_t} = 1$ . The non-zero element  $y_1^{\beta_1} \dots y_r^{\beta_r}$  is a linear combination of pro-

ducts  $e_{m_1} \dots e_{m_\beta} \tilde{e}_{n_1} \dots \tilde{e}_{n_{\beta'}}$ , where  $\beta, \beta' \geq \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_r$  and  $e_{m_i}, \tilde{e}_{n_j}$  are pairwise different generators of  $E_{2k} \otimes 1$  and  $1 \otimes E_{2l}$ , respectively. Similarly, we need at least  $2s + t = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_r$  generators for  $z_{i_1}^2 \dots z_{i_s}^2 g_\alpha(z_{j_1}, \dots, z_{j_t})$ . Therefore

$$2(k+l) \geq 2(\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_r) + \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \geq$$

$$\geq \beta_1 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) + \dots + (\alpha_r + \beta_r) = \beta_1 + \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r.$$

Since  $\beta_1 = \lambda_1 - \alpha_1 \geq a$  and  $\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r = a + 2b + c + 2$ , we obtain  $2(k+l) \geq 2a + 2b + c + 2$ . If  $z_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[0]}$ , then  $z_i^2 = 0$ . Hence we need at least one generator  $\tilde{e}_{p_i}$  for each product  $z_i^2$ . Since  $f_\lambda^{(\alpha)}$  is equal to  $y_i^{\lambda_i} h_0, y_i^{\lambda_i-1} z_i h_1$  or  $y_i^{\lambda_i-2} z_i^2 h_2$  for some  $h_0, h_1, h_2 \in E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ , we need at least  $\lambda_i - 1$  generators of  $1 \otimes E_{2l}$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , i.e.  $2l \geq (\lambda_1 - 1) + \dots + (\lambda_r - 1) = a + b + 1$ .  $\diamond$

For a polynomial  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r) \in K\langle X \rangle$  we denote by  $f^{(j)}$  the homogeneous component of degree  $j$  in  $x_1$  of the element  $f(y + z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2$ . In virtue of Lemma 2.2 (viii),  $f(y + z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r) = f^{(0)} + f^{(1)} + f^{(2)}$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *If  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  is not a polynomial identity for  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ ,*

$$\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \text{ and } 2a + 2b + c + 2 = 2(k+l),$$

*then  $f^{(2)}(y + z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r) \neq 0$  for some  $y \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ ,  $z_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[0]} \oplus E_{2k}^{[0]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ .*

**Proof.** As in the proof of Lemma 2.3, let

$$f_\lambda^{(\alpha)} = y_1^{\beta_1} \dots y_r^{\beta_r} z_{i_1}^2 \dots z_{i_s}^2 g_\alpha(z_{j_1}, \dots, z_{j_t})$$

be a non-zero homogeneous component of  $f_\lambda(y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_r + z_r) \in E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ . Since  $2(k+l) = 2a + 2b + c + 2 = a + \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r$ , we obtain from the inequalities

$$2(k+l) \geq (\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_r) + (\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r) \geq$$

$$\geq \beta_1 + \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r \geq a + \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r$$

that  $\beta_1 = a$ ,  $\beta_2 = \dots = \beta_r = 0$ , i.e.  $f_\lambda^{(\alpha)}(y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_r + z_r) = f_\lambda^{(2)}(y_1 + z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r) \neq 0$ .  $\diamond$

All the sums in the sequel are on  $\sigma \in S_m$ , where the symmetric group  $S_m$  acts on the set of symbols  $\{d+1, \dots, d+m\}$  and the values of  $d$  and  $t$  are clear from the context.

**Lemma 2.5.** *The elements  $z_1, z_2, \dots$  satisfy the following identities:*

- (i)  $\sum(-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_1] = 0;$
- (ii)  $\sum_{\sigma(2p+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_1 = pz_1^2 s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1});$
- (iii)  $\sum(-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_1] = -p^{-1} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p});$
- (iv)  $s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q}) =$   
 $= (2q)!(p!)^2 ((p-q)!)^{-2} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}), p \geq q;$
- (v)  $s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) \sum(-1)^\tau z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} (z_{\tau(2q)} \circ z_1) = 0, p \geq q;$
- (vi)  $s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) s_{2q-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q-1}) =$   
 $= s_{2q-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q-1}) s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) =$   
 $= (2q-1)!p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q-1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q}, \dots, z_{2p-1}),$   
 $p \geq q;$
- (vii)  $s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) s_{2q}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q}) =$   
 $= (2p-1)!(q!)^2 ((q-p)!(q-p+1)!)^{-1} z_1^2 \dots$   
 $\dots z_{2p-1}^2 s_{2(q-p)+1}(z_{2p}, \dots, z_{2q}), p \leq q;$
- (viii)  $s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) =$   
 $= (2q+1)!p!(p-1)!((p-q)!(p-q-1)!)^{-1} z_2^2 \dots$   
 $\dots z_{2q+1}^2 (s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1), p > q.$

**Proof.** (i) Let  $h = \sum(-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_1]$ . Since  $[z_i, z_j]$  are central elements,

$$\begin{aligned} h &= 2^{-p} \sum (-1)^\sigma [z_{\sigma(1)}, z_{\sigma(2)}] \dots [z_{\sigma(2p-1)}, z_{\sigma(2p)}] [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_1] = \\ &= 2^{-(p+1)} (p+1)^{-1} \sum (-1)^\sigma [z_{\sigma(1)}, z_{\sigma(2)}] \dots \\ &\quad \dots [z_{\sigma(2p-1)}, z_{\sigma(2p)}] [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_{\sigma(2p+2)}] \end{aligned}$$

for  $z_{2p+2} = z_1$  and  $h = (p+1)^{-1} s_{2p+2}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p+1}, z_1) = 0$ .

(ii) By Lemma 2.2 (viii)  $z_1 z_{i_1} \dots z_{i_{2q-1}} z_1 = 0, q \geq 1$ , and the only non-zero summands of

$$h = \sum_{\sigma(2p+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_1$$

are for  $1 \in \{\sigma(1), \sigma(3), \dots, \sigma(2p-1)\}$ . Using the identity (vi) from Lemma 2.2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h &= pz_1 \sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_1 = pz_1^2 s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1}). \\ (\text{iii}) \quad &\sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_1] = \\ &= 2^{-(p-1)} \sum (-1)^\sigma [z_{\sigma(2)}, z_{\sigma(3)}] \dots [z_{\sigma(2p-2)}, z_{\sigma(2p-1)}] [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_1] = \\ &= 2^{-p} p^{-1} \sum [z_{\sigma(2)}, z_{\sigma(3)}] \dots [z_{\sigma(2p-2)}, z_{\sigma(2p-1)}] [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_{\sigma(1)}] = \\ &= -p^{-1} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}). \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Let

$$\begin{aligned} h = h(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) &= s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p})z_1 \dots z_{2q} = \\ &= \sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} z_1 \dots z_{2q}. \end{aligned}$$

In virtue of the first identity from Lemma 2.2 (vii), the only non-zero summands of  $h$  are for  $1, 3, \dots, 2q-1 \in \{\sigma(2), \sigma(4), \dots, \sigma(2p)\}$ ,  $2, 4, \dots, 2q \in \{\sigma(1), \sigma(3), \dots, \sigma(2p-1)\}$  and by Lemma 2.2 (vi) and (vii)

$$\begin{aligned} h &= (-1)^q(p(p-1) \dots (p-q+1))^2 \sum (-1)^\sigma (z_2 z_1)(z_4 z_3) \dots \\ &\quad \dots (z_{2q} z_{2q-1}) \times z_{\sigma(2q+1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} (z_1 z_2) \dots (z_{2q-1} z_{2q}) = \\ &= (-1)^q(p!)^2((p-q)!)^{-2} (z_2 z_1^2 z_2)(z_4 z_3^2 z_4) \dots \\ &\quad \dots (z_{2q} z_{2q-1}^2 z_{2q}) s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}) = \\ &= (p!)^2((p-q)!)^{-2} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}). \end{aligned}$$

Now we extend the action of  $S_{2q}$  trivially on  $\{2q+1, \dots, 2p\}$ . For a fixed  $\tau \in S_{2q}$ ,  $S_{2p}\tau = S_{2p}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q}) &= \\ &= \sum (-1)^{\sigma\tau} (-1)^\tau z_{\sigma\tau(1)} \dots z_{\sigma\tau(2p)} z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q)} = \\ &= \sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(\tau(1))} \dots z_{\sigma(\tau(2p))} z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q)} = \\ &= \sum s_{2p}(z_{\tau(1)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2p)}) z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q)} = \\ &= \sum h(z_{\tau(1)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2p)}) = (2q)! h(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}). \end{aligned}$$

(v) Using the polynomial  $h$  defined in the proof of (iv), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) \sum (-1)^\tau z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} (z_{\tau(2q)} \circ z_1) &= \\ &= \sum (-s_{2p}(z_{\tau(2)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2q-1)}, z_{\tau(2q)}, z_1, z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}) z_{\tau(2)} \dots \\ &\quad \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} z_{\tau(2q)} z_1 + \\ &+ s_{2p}(z_{\tau(2)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2q-1)}, z_1, z_{\tau(2q)}, z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}) z_{\tau(2)} \dots \\ &\quad \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} z_1 z_{\tau(2q)}) = \\ &= \sum (2q-1)!(p!)^2((p-q)!)^{-2} z_{\tau(2)}^2 \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)}^2 \times \end{aligned}$$

$$\times (-z_{\tau(2q)}^2 z_1^2 + z_1^2 z_{\tau(2q)}^2) s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}) = 0.$$

(vi) The non-zero summands of  $\sum (-1)^\sigma z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} z_1 \dots z_{2q-1}$  are for

$$1, 3, \dots, 2q-1 \in \{\sigma(1), \sigma(3), \dots, \sigma(2p-1)\},$$

$$2, 4, \dots, 2q-2 \in \{\sigma(2), \sigma(4), \dots, \sigma(2p-2)\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) z_1 \dots z_{2q-1} = \\ &= p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} z_1 \dots z_{2q-1} s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q}, \dots, z_{2p-1}) z_1 \dots z_{2q-1} = \\ &= p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} (z_1 \dots z_{2q-1})^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q}, \dots, z_{2p-1}), \\ (z_1 \dots z_{2q-1})^2 &= z_1(z_2 z_3) \dots (z_{2q-2} z_{2q-1})(z_1 z_2) \dots (z_{2q-3} z_{2q-2}) z_{2q-1} = \\ &= z_1(z_1 z_2)(z_2 z_3) \dots (z_{2q-3} z_{2q-2})(z_{2q-2} z_{2q-1}) z_{2q-1} = z_1^2 \dots z_{2q-1}^2. \end{aligned}$$

As in (iv)

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) s_{2q-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q-1}) = \\ &= (2q-1)! s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1}) z_1 \dots z_{2q-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The calculations for  $s_{2q-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q-1}) s_{2p-1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p-1})$  are similar.

(vii) is similar to (vi).

(viii)  $s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) =$

$$\begin{aligned} & (q+1) z_1 \sum (-1)^\tau z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} - q \sum (-1)^\tau z_{\tau(2)} z_1 z_{\tau(3)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)}, \\ h_1 &= s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ (((q+1) z_1 z_2 - q z_2 z_1) z_3 \dots z_{2q+1}) = \\ &= (q+1)(s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) z_1)(z_2 z_3 \dots z_{2q+1}) - \\ &\quad - q(z_2 z_1)(s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) z_3 \dots z_{2q+1}) + \\ &\quad + (q+1)(z_1 z_2)(z_3 \dots z_{2q+1} s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p})) - \\ &\quad - q(s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) z_2)(z_1 z_3 \dots z_{2q+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Since all elements in the parenties are of even length, Lemma 2.2 (vii) gives

$$h_1 = (q+1) z_2 h_2 z_1 - q h_2 z_2 z_1 + (q+1) h_2 z_1 z_2 - q z_1 h_2 z_2,$$

where  $h_2 = z_3 \dots z_{2q+1} s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p})$ . As in the proof of (vi)

$$\begin{aligned} h_2 &= -z_3 \dots z_{2q+1} s_{2p-1}(z_3, \dots, z_{2q+1}, z_2, z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) = \\ &= -p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} s_{2(p-q)}(z_2, z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) z_3^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $z_i^2 z_j = -z_j z_i^2$ ,  $i = 3, \dots, 2q+1$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , and the standard polynomial of even length is central,

$$\begin{aligned}
h_1 &= p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2}(2q+1) \times (z_2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_2, z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) z_1 - \\
&\quad - z_1 z_2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_2, z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p})) z_3^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 = \\
&= p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2}(2q+1)(p-q) \times \\
&\quad \times (z_2^2 s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) z_1 - \\
&\quad - z_1 z_2^2 s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p})) z_3^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 = \\
&= p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2}(2q+1)(p-q) z_2^2 \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{2q+1}^2 (s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
&s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
&= (2q+1)! p!(p-1)!((p-q)!(p-q-1)!)^{-1} z_2^2 \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{2q+1}^2 (s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1). \quad \diamond
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c)$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$  and let  $f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_{b+c+1})$  be the polynomials from Section 1. If  $f_\lambda^{(i)} = f_\lambda^{(i)}(y+z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{b+c+1})$ ,  $y \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ ,  $z_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[0]} \oplus E_{2k}^{[0]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ , then there exist non-zero constants  $\alpha_\lambda$  from  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that:

- (i)  $f_\lambda^{(2)} = 0$ ,  $f_\lambda^{(0)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+2} s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1})$ ,  $\lambda = (2r+2, 1^{2p})$ ;
- (ii)  $f_\lambda^{(2)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+1} z_1^2 s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1})$ ,  $\lambda = (2r+3, 1^{2p})$ ;
- (iii)  $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+1} (s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1)$ ,  $\lambda = (2r+2, 1^{2p-1})$ ;
- (iv)  $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+2} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p})$ ,  $\lambda = (2r+3, 1^{2p-1})$ ;
- (v)  $f_\lambda^{(2)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p})$ ,  
 $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2q-1}, 1^{2(p-q)})$ ;
- (vi)  $f_\lambda^{(2)} = 0$ ,  $f_\lambda^{(0)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+3} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p})$ ,  
 $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2q-1}, 1^{2(p-q)})$ ;
- (vii)  $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 (s_{2(p-q)-1}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1)$  for  
 $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)-1})$  and  
 $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{2p}^2 s_{2(q-p)+2}(z_1, z_{2p+1}, \dots, z_{2q+1})$  for  
 $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2p-1}, 1^{2(q-p)+1})$ ;
- (viii)  $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_1, z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p})$  for  
 $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)-1})$  and  
 $f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{2r+2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2p}^2 (s_{2(q-p)+1}(z_{2p+1}, \dots, z_{2q+1}) \circ z_1)$  for  
 $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2p-1}, 1^{2(q-p)+1})$ ;

- (ix)  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = 0, f_{\lambda}^{(0)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{2r+2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}),$   
 $\lambda = (2r+2, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)});$
- (x)  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{2r+1} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}),$   
 $\lambda = (2r+3, 2^{2q}, 1^{2(p-q)}).$

**Proof.** Let  $\bar{x}_1 = y + z_1, \bar{x}_i = z_i, i > 1$ , and let  $\bar{f}_{\lambda} = f_{\lambda}(\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_{b+c+1})$  for  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c), a, b, c \geq 0$ .

$$(i) \bar{f}_{\lambda} = \sum (-1)^{\sigma} \bar{x}_{\sigma(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{\sigma(2p)} (\bar{x}_{\sigma(2p+1)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} \bar{x}_1) = \\ = 2^{2r} y^{2r} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} \bar{x}_{\sigma(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{\sigma(2p)} [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, y + z_1]$$

and  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = 2^{2r} y^{2r} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_1] = 0$  by Lemma 2.5 (i);

$$f_{\lambda}^{(0)} = -2^{2r+1} y^{2r} \sum_{\sigma(2p+1) \neq 1} (-1)^{\sigma} (\bar{x}_{\sigma(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{\sigma(2p)})^{(0)} y z_{\sigma(2p+1)}$$

and by Lemma 2.2 (iv)

$$f_{\lambda}^{(0)} = -2^{2r+2} p y^{2r+1} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} y z_{\sigma(2p+1)} = \\ = 2^{2r+2} p y^{2r+2} s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1}).$$

(ii) Since  $z_2 \text{ad}^{2r+2}(y + z_1) = -2^{2r+1} y^{2r+1} (-2yz_2 + z_2 \circ z_1)$ , we obtain that

$$f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = -2^{2r+1} y^{2r+1} \sum_{\sigma(2p+1) \neq 1} (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} (z_{\sigma(2p+1)} \circ z_1) = \\ = -2^{2r+1} y^{2r+1} \sum_{\sigma(2p+1) \neq 1} (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(1)} \dots \\ \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} (2z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_1 - [z_{\sigma(2p+1)}, z_1])$$

and the identity follows from Lemma 2.5 (i) and (ii).

$$(iii) \bar{f}_{\lambda} = \sum (-1)^{\sigma} \bar{x}_{\sigma(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{\sigma(2p-2)} ([\bar{x}_{\sigma(2p-1)}, \bar{x}_{\sigma(2p)}] \text{ad}^{2r+1} \bar{x}_1) = \\ = -2 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [[z_{\sigma(2p)}, y] \text{ad}^{2r} y, y + z_1], \\ f_{\lambda}^{(1)} = 2^{2r+2} y^{2r+1} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} (z_{\sigma(2p)} \circ z_1).$$

Since  $\sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)}$  is central, we obtain for some  $\alpha_{\lambda} \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha_{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,

$$f_{\lambda}^{(1)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{2r+1} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} z_{\sigma(2p)} z_1 + \\ + z_1 z_{\sigma(2p)} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)}) = \alpha_{\lambda} (s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ z_1)$$

(iv) As in (iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\lambda}^{(1)} &= -2 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [[z_{\sigma(2p)}, y] \text{ad}^{2r+1} y, z_1] = \\
&= -2^{2r+3} y^{2r+2} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_1] = \\
&= \alpha_{\lambda} y^{2r+2} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p})
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2.5 (iii).

(v) For  $r = 0$ ,  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = 2s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p})s_{2q}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q})$ . Let  $r > 0$ . The non-zero summands of  $f_{\lambda}$  are for  $\tau(2q-1) = 1$  or  $\tau(2q) = 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\lambda}^{(2)} &= -2 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} z_{\tau(2)} \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} [[z_{\tau(2q)}, y] \text{ad}^{2r-1} y, z_1] = \\
&= -2^{2r+1} y^{2r} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} [z_{\tau(2q)}, z_1].
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.5 (iii) and (iv),

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\lambda}^{(2)} &= 2^{2r+1} q^{-1} y^{2r} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q}) = \\
&= \alpha_{\lambda} y^{2r} z_1^2 \dots z_{2q}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+1}, \dots, z_{2p}).
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{vi}) \quad f_{\lambda}^{(2)} &= -2s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) \sum (-1)^{\tau} z_{\tau(2)} \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} [z_{\tau(2q)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} y, z_1] =
\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2^{2r+2} y^{2r+1} s_{2p}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p}) \sum (-1)^{\tau} z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} (z_{\tau(2q)} \circ z_1)$$

and  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = 0$  by Lemma 2.5 (v).

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\lambda}^{(0)} &= -2^2 p y s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q-1)} (z_{\tau(2q)} \text{ad}^{2r+2} y) = \\
&= 2^{2r+4} p y^{2r+3} s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q})
\end{aligned}$$

and we apply Lemma 2.5 (vi).

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{vii}) \quad f_{\lambda}^{(1)} &= -2 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [(z_{\sigma(2p)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} y), z_{\tau(1)}] z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= 2^{2r+2} y^{2r+1} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} (z_{\sigma(2p)} \circ z_{\tau(1)}) z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= 2^{2r+2} y^{2r+1} (s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) \circ s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}))
\end{aligned}$$

and we apply Lemma 2.5 (viii). For  $p \leq q$ ,

$$s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = -s_{2q+1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}, z_1, z_{2p+1}, \dots, z_{2q+1})$$

and we apply Lemma 2.5 (vi).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(viii)} \quad f_{\lambda}^{(1)} &= -2 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots \\
 &\quad \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [(z_{\sigma(2p)} \text{ad}^{2r+2} y), z_1] z_{\tau(2)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
 &= -2^{2r+3} y^{2r+2} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p-1)} [z_{\sigma(2p)}, z_1] s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $p > q$  we apply Lemma 2.5 (iii) and (iv). Let  $p \leq q$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{\lambda}^{(1)} &= -2^{2r+3} y^{2r+2} [s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}), z_1] s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
 &= -2^{2r+3} y^{2r+2} [s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}), z_1].
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.5 (vii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
 &= (2p-1)!(q!)^2 ((q-p)!(q-p+1)!)^{-1} z_2^2 \dots \\
 &\quad \dots z_{2p}^2 s_{2(q-p)+1}(z_{2p+1}, \dots, z_{2q+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Bearing in mind that  $z_1 z_2^2 \dots z_{2p}^2 = -z_2^2 \dots z_{2p}^2 z_1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &[s_{2p-1}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p}) s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}), z_1] = \\
 &= \alpha_{\lambda} z_2^2 \dots z_{2p}^2 (s_{2(q-p)+1}(z_{2p+1}, \dots, z_{2q+1}) \circ z_1). \\
 \text{(ix)} \quad f_{\lambda} &= -4 \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} [(z_{\sigma(2)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} y), z_{\tau(2)}] [z_{\tau(3)}, y, z_{\sigma(3)}] \times \\
 &\quad \times z_{\sigma(4)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = f_{\lambda}^{(0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f_{\lambda}^{(2)} = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{\lambda}^{(0)} &= -2^{2r+4} y^{2r+2} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} (z_{\sigma(2)} \circ z_{\tau(2)}) (z_{\sigma(3)} \circ z_{\tau(3)}) \times \\
 &\quad \times z_{\sigma(4)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
 &= -2^{2r+4} y^{2r+2} \sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} (z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\tau(3)} z_{\sigma(3)} + \\
 &\quad + z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\sigma(3)} z_{\tau(3)} + z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(3)} z_{\sigma(3)} + \\
 &\quad + z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(3)} z_{\tau(3)}) z_{\sigma(4)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sum (-1)^{\tau} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\tau(3)}$  and  $\sum (-1)^{\sigma} z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\sigma(3)}$  are central elements, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum (-1)^{\sigma} (-1)^{\tau} (z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\tau(3)} z_{\sigma(3)} + z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\sigma(3)} z_{\tau(3)}) \times \\
 &\quad \times z_{\sigma(4)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
 &= 2s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1}) s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
 &= 2(2q)!(p!)^2 ((p-q)!)^{-2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^\tau z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(3)} z_{\tau(3)} z_{\sigma(4)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= \sum (-1)^{\sigma\tau} (z_{\sigma\tau(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma\tau(3)} \dots z_{\sigma\tau(2p+1)}) z_{\tau(3)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= (p+1) \sum z_{\tau(2)}^2 s_{2p-1}(z_{\tau(3)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2p+1)}) z_{\tau(3)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= (p+1)p!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} \sum z_{\tau(2)}^2 \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}) = \\
&= (2q)!(p+1)!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}); \\
& \sum (-1)^\sigma (-1)^\tau z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma(2)} z_{\tau(3)} z_{\sigma(3)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p+1)} z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= - \sum (-1)^{\sigma\tau} z_{\tau(3)} (z_{\sigma\tau(2)} z_{\tau(2)} z_{\sigma\tau(3)} \dots z_{\sigma\tau(2p+1)}) z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= -(p+1) \sum z_{\tau(3)} z_{\tau(2)}^2 s_{2p-1}(z_{\tau(3)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2p+1)}) z_{\tau(4)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= (p+1) \sum z_{\tau(2)}^2 z_{\tau(3)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} s_{2p-1}(z_{\tau(3)}, \dots, z_{\tau(2p+1)}) = \\
&= (2q)!(p+1)!(p-1)!((p-q)!)^{-2} z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}); \\
& f_\lambda^{(0)} = -2^{2r+5} y^{2r+2} (2q)!((p!)^2 + (p+1)!(p-1)!)((p-q)!)^{-2} \times \\
&\quad \times z_2^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}). \\
& (\text{x}) f_\lambda^{(2)} = \sum_{\tau(2q+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\sigma (-1)^\tau z_{\sigma(1)} \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} \times \\
&\quad \times z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q)} [(z_{\tau(2q+1)} \text{ad}^{2r+1} y), z_{\sigma(2p+1)}] = \\
&= -2^{2r+1} y^{2r+1} \sum_{\tau(2q+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\sigma (-1)^\tau z_{\sigma(1)} \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{\sigma(2p)} z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q)} (z_{\tau(2q+1)} \circ z_{\sigma(2p+1)}) = \\
&= -2^{2r+1} y^{2r+1} \sum_{\tau(2q+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\tau (z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} \circ s_{2p+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p+1})); \\
& \sum_{\tau(2q+1) \neq 1} (-1)^\tau z_{\tau(1)} \dots z_{\tau(2q+1)} = \\
&= s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) - s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q}) z_1; \\
& s_{2p+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p+1}) \circ s_{2q+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2q+1}) =
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2(2q+1)!(p+1)!p!((p-q)!)^{-2}z_1^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}); \\
&\quad s_{2p+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p+1}) \circ (s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1})z_1) = \\
&= (s_{2p+1}(z_1, \dots, z_{2p+1}) \circ z_1)s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
&= 2(p+1)z_1^2 s_{2p}(z_2, \dots, z_{2p+1})s_{2q}(z_2, \dots, z_{2q+1}) = \\
&= 2(2q)!(p+1)!p!((p-q)!)^{-2}z_1^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
f_\lambda^{(2)} &= -2^{2r+2}y^{2r+1}((2q+1)!(p+1)!p!((p-q)!)^{-2} - \\
&\quad -(2q)!(p+1)!p!((p-q)!)^{-2})z_1^2 \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}) = \\
&= -2^{2r+3}y^{2r+1}q(2q)!(p+1)!p!((p-q)!)^{-2}z_1^2 \dots \\
&\quad \dots z_{2q+1}^2 s_{2(p-q)}(z_{2q+2}, \dots, z_{2p+1}). \quad \diamond
\end{aligned}$$

The results of Lemma 2.6 can be summarized in the following way.

**Lemma 2.7.** (i) If  $a+b+1 \equiv c \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , then

$$f_\lambda^{(2)} = \alpha_\lambda y^a z_1^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1});$$

(ii) If  $a+b+1 \equiv 1, c \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , then

$$f_\lambda^{(2)} = 0, f_\lambda^{(0)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{a+2} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1});$$

(iii) If  $a+b+1 \equiv 0, c \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , then

$$f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{a+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_{c+1}(z_1, z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1});$$

(iv) If  $a+b+1 \equiv c \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,

$$f_\lambda^{(1)} = \alpha_\lambda y^{a+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 (s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}) \circ z_1).$$

**Proof.** The assertion (i) follows from Lemma 2.6 (ii), (v) and (x); (ii) is a consequence of Lemma 2.6 (i), (vi) and (ix); (iii) is derived from Lemma 2.6 (iv), (vii) and (viii); (iv) from Lemma 2.6 (iii), (vii) and (viii).  $\diamond$

### 3. Cocharacters and codimensions

In this section we prove the main results of the paper.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $h_{ij}(\lambda)$  denote the  $(i,j)$ -th hook of the Young diagram of the partition  $\lambda$ . If  $k \geq l \geq 1$ , then

$$\Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) = \sum M(\lambda) + \varepsilon_n M(1^n),$$

where  $\varepsilon_n = 1$  for  $n$  even and  $n \leq 2(k+l)$  and  $\varepsilon_n = 0$  otherwise and the summation is over all partitions  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c)$  of  $n$  such that  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$ ,  $h_{12}(\lambda) = a+b+1 \leq 2l$  and one of the following conditions holds:

- (i)  $h_{11}(\lambda) + h_{12}(\lambda) - 1 = 2a + 2b + c + 2 < 2(k+l)$ ;
- (ii)  $h_{11}(\lambda) + h_{12}(\lambda) - 1 = 2(k+l)$  and  $h_{12}(\lambda) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M(1^n) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$ . Then  $n$  is even, for example  $n = 2p$ ,

$$s_{2p}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) = 2^{-p} \sum [x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}] \dots [x_{\sigma(2p-1)}, x_{\sigma(2p)}]$$

generates  $M(1^n)$  and  $s_n(u_1, \dots, u_n) \neq 0$  for some  $u_i \in E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ . As in the proof of Lemma 2.3 we need at least  $n$  different generators  $e_i$  and  $\tilde{e}_j$  for the elements  $u_1, \dots, u_n$ , i.e.  $n \leq 2(k+l)$ .

If  $n \leq 2(k+l)$ , then it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} s_{2p}(e_1, \dots, e_{2k}, \tilde{e}_1, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2(p-k)}) &= \\ &= \binom{p}{k} (2k)! (2(p-k))! e_1 \dots e_{2k} \tilde{e}_1 \dots \tilde{e}_{2(p-k)} \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $M(a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$ . In virtue of Lemma 2.3,  $2a+2b+c+2 \leq 2(k+l)$  and  $a+b+1 \leq 2l$ .

First, let  $a+b+1 \leq 2l$  and  $2a+2b+c+2 = 2(k+l)$ . Hence  $c \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . By Lemma 2.4  $f_\lambda = 0$  is a polynomial identity for  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  if and only if  $f_\lambda^{(2)}(y+z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{b+c+1}) = 0$  for all  $y \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ ,  $z_i \in E_{2k}^{[1]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[0]} \oplus E_{2k}^{[0]} \otimes E_{2l}^{[1]}$ . If  $h_{12}(\lambda) = a+b+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , then Lemma 2.7 (i) gives

$$f_\lambda^{(2)} = \alpha_\lambda y^a z_1^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}).$$

Let  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1 + \dots + e_a \tilde{e}_a$ ,  $z_1 = e_{a+1} \tilde{e}_{a+1} + \dots + e_{a+b+1} \tilde{e}_{a+b+1}$ . We use even number of generators from each set  $\{e_1, \dots, e_{2k}\}$  and  $\{\tilde{e}_1, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2l}\}$ . Hence we still have available even numbers of elements in each set and  $s_c(e_{a+b+2}, \dots, e_{2k}, \tilde{e}_{a+b+2}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2l}) \neq 0$ . If  $h_{12}(\lambda) \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , then by Lemma 2.7 (ii)  $f_\lambda^{(2)} = 0$ , i.e.  $f_\lambda = 0$  is a polynomial identity for  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ .

Now, let  $a+b+1 \leq 2l$  and  $2a+2b+c+2 < 2(k+l)$ . Depending on the parity of  $a+b+1$  and  $c$  we consider four different cases.

(1)  $a+b+1 \equiv c \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . The proof in this case is similar to the case  $2a+2b+c+2 = 2(k+l)$  and  $f_\lambda^{(2)} \neq 0$  for suitable  $y, z_i \in E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$ .

(2)  $a + b + 1 \equiv 1, c \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . By Lemma 2.7 (ii),

$$f_{\lambda}^{(0)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{a+2} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}).$$

Clearly  $a + b + 1 \leq 2l - 1$  and  $2a + 2b + c + 2 \leq 2(k + l - 1)$ . Hence we use  $a + b + 2$  generators of both  $E_{2k} \otimes 1$  and  $1 \otimes E_{2l}$  for  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1 + \dots + e_{a+2} \tilde{e}_{a+2}, z_2 = e_{a+3} + \tilde{e}_{a+3}, \dots, z_{b+1} = e_{a+b+2} + \tilde{e}_{a+b+2}$  and we still have even sets of generators  $\{e_{a+b+3}, \dots, e_{2k}\}, \{\tilde{e}_{a+b+3}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2l}\}$  in order to obtain  $s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}) \neq 0$ .

(3)  $a + b + 1 \equiv 0, c \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . By Lemma 2.7 (iii)

$$f_{\lambda}^{(1)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{a+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 s_{c+1}(z_1, z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}).$$

Let  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1 + \dots + e_{a+1} \tilde{e}_{a+1}, z_2 = e_{a+2} + \tilde{e}_{a+2}, \dots, z_{b+1} = e_{a+b+1} + \tilde{e}_{a+b+1}$ . Then we have left  $2k - (a + b + 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  elements  $e_{a+b+2}, \dots, e_{2k}$  and  $2l - (a + b + 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  elements  $\tilde{e}_{a+b+2}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2l}$ . Since  $2a + 2b + c + 2 \leq 2(k + l) - 1$ , we can choose  $z_1, z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}$  in such a way that  $s_{c+1}(z_1, z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}) \neq 0$  and  $f_{\lambda}^{(1)} \neq 0$ .

(4)  $a + b + 1 \equiv c \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . By Lemma 2.7 (iv)

$$f_{\lambda}^{(1)} = \alpha_{\lambda} y^{a+1} z_2^2 \dots z_{b+1}^2 (s_c(z_{b+2}, \dots, z_{b+c+1}) \circ z_1).$$

Again  $y = e_1 \tilde{e}_1 + \dots + e_{a+1} \tilde{e}_{a+1}, z_2 = e_{a+2} + \tilde{e}_{a+2}, \dots, z_{b+1} = e_{a+b+1} + \tilde{e}_{a+b+1}$  and we have on disposal odd number of elements  $e_{a+b+2}, \dots, e_{2k} \in E_{2k} \otimes 1$  and  $\tilde{e}_{a+b+2}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{2l} \in 1 \otimes E_{2l}$ . Since  $e_i \circ e_j = 0, e_i \circ \tilde{e}_j = 2e_i \tilde{e}_j$  and

$$s_{2m+1}(x_1, \dots, x_{2m+1}) = \sum (-)^{i-1} s_{2m}(x_1, \dots, \hat{x}_i, \dots, x_{2m+1}) x_i,$$

it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{2(p+q)+1}(e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_{2p}}, \tilde{e}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{i_{2q+1}}) \circ e_{i_{2p+1}} = \\ &= \binom{p+q}{p} s_{2p}(e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_{2p}})(s_{2q+1}(\tilde{e}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{e}_{i_{2q+1}}) \circ e_{i_{2p+1}}) = \\ &= 2 \binom{p+q}{p} (2p)!(2q+1)! e_{i_1} \dots e_{i_{2p+1}} \tilde{e}_{j_1} \dots \tilde{e}_{i_{2q+1}} \end{aligned}$$

and  $f_{\lambda}^{(1)} \neq 0 \diamond$

**Remark 3.2.** Using the proper cocharacters of  $E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}$  we can obtain the ordinary cocharacter sequence. For example

$$\Gamma_0(E_2 \otimes E_2) = M(0), \Gamma_2(E_2 \otimes E_2) = M(1^2),$$

$$\Gamma_3(E_2 \otimes E_2) = M(2, 1), \Gamma_4(E_2 \otimes E_2) = M(2^2) + M(1^4)$$

and  $\Gamma_n(E_2 \otimes E_2) = 0$  for all other  $n$ . Applying Prop. 1.2 (i) we obtain for  $n \geq 6$

$$P_n(E_2 \otimes E_2) = M(n) + 2M(n-1, 1) + 2M(n-2, 2) + 2M(n-2, 1^2) + \\ + 2M(n-3, 2, 1) + M(n-3, 1^3) + M(n-4, 2^2) + M(n-4, 1^4).$$

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $k \geq l \geq 1$ ,  $k' \geq l' \geq 1$ . Then  $T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \subset T(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$  if and only if  $k+l \geq k'+l'$  and  $l \geq l'$ .

**Proof.** Since the  $S_n$ -module  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E)$  is a sum of pairwise non-isomorphic irreducible submodules,  $T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \subset T(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$  if and only if  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$  is isomorphic to a submodule of  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  for all  $n$ .

Let  $k+l \geq k'+l'$  and  $l \geq l'$ . Applying Th. 3.1 we obtain that every irreducible submodule of  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$  participates in the decomposition of  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$ , i.e.  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'}) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  and  $T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \subset T(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$ .

Let  $T(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \subset T(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'})$ . Hence  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'}) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  for all  $n$ . Since

$$M(2^{b+1}, 1^c) = M(2^{2l'}, 1^{2(k'-l')}) \subset \Gamma_{2(k'+l')}(E_{2k'} \otimes E_{2l'}),$$

Th. 3.1 gives  $2b+c+2 = 2(k'+l') \leq 2(k+l)$ ,  $b+1 = 2l' \leq 2l$ , i.e.  $k+l \geq k'+l'$ ,  $l \geq l'$ .  $\diamond$

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $l \geq 1$ . Then

$$\Gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l}) = \sum M(a+2, 2^b, 1^c) + \varepsilon_n M(1^n),$$

where the sum is over all partitions  $(a+2, 2^b, 1^c)$  of  $n$ , such that  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$  and  $a+b+1 \leq 2l$ ;  $\varepsilon_n = 1$  for  $n$  even and  $\varepsilon_n = 0$  for  $n$  odd.

**Proof.** Considering  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l})$  and  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  as  $S_n$ -submodules of  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E)$  we obtain

$$\Gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l}) = \cup_{k \geq l} \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}).$$

Hence by Th. 3.1  $M(1^n) \subset \Gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l})$  for  $n$  even. Let  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \vdash n$  and let  $k$  be large enough. Then the condition  $h_{11}(\lambda) + h_{12}(\lambda) - 1 < 2(k+l)$  from Th. 3.1 is satisfied automatically and  $M(\lambda) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  if and only if  $h_{12}(\lambda) = a+b+1 \leq 2l$ .  $\diamond$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $k \geq l \geq 1$ .

(i) The codimension sequence  $c_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  is a polynomial with rational coefficients of degree  $2(k+l)$  in  $n$ .

(ii) For  $n > 0$

$$c_n(E \otimes E_{2l}) = 2^{n-1} \xi_l(n) + \eta_l(n),$$

where  $\xi_l(n)$  and  $\eta_l(n)$  are polynomials with rational coefficients in  $n$ ,  $\deg \xi_l(n) = 2l$ ,  $\deg \eta_l(n) \leq 4l-1$  and the leading term of  $\xi_l(n)$  is equal to  $((2l)!)^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \vdash n$  and let  $M(\lambda) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$ . By Th. 3.1,  $h_{11}(\lambda) + h_{12}(\lambda) - 1 \leq 2(k+l)$ . Since  $n \leq h_{11}(\lambda) + h_{12}(\lambda) - 1$ , we obtain that  $n \leq 2(k+l)$ . Similarly,  $M(1^n) \subset \Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l})$  if and only if  $n$  is even and  $n \leq 2(k+l)$ . Hence  $\Gamma_{2(k+l)}(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) \neq 0$  and  $\Gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) = 0$  for  $n > 2(k+l)$ . Equivalently,  $\gamma_{2(k+l)}(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) > 0$  and  $\gamma_n(E_{2k} \otimes E_{2l}) = 0$  for  $n > 2(k+l)$  and the assertion follows from Prop. 1.2 (ii).

(ii) By Th. 3.4,  $\Gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l}) = \sum M(\lambda) + \varepsilon_n M(1^n)$ , where  $\lambda = (a+2, 2^b, 1^c) \vdash n$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b+c > 0$ ,  $a+b+1 \leq 2l$  and  $\varepsilon_n = 0, 1$ . The dimension of  $M(1^n)$  is equal to 1. By Lemma 1.1, for fixed  $a+b+1$

$$\dim M(a+2, 2^b, 1^c) = \psi_{ab}(n) = \frac{1}{(a+b+1)!} \dim M(a+1, 1^b) n^{a+b+1} + \dots,$$

where  $\psi_{ab}(n) \in \mathbb{Q}[n]$  and  $\deg \psi_{ab}(n) = a+b+1$ . Hence for  $n \geq 4l$

$$\gamma_n = \gamma_n(E \otimes E_{2l}) = \varepsilon_n + \sum_{a+b+1 \leq 4l} \psi_{ab}(n),$$

$\psi_l(n) = \sum \psi_{ab}(n)$  is a polynomial of degree  $2l$  and with leading term

$$\tilde{\gamma}_n = \frac{1}{(2l)!} \sum_{p=0}^{2l} \dim M(2l-p, 1^p).$$

The polynomials  $\binom{n+m}{m}$ ,  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , form a basis of  $\mathbb{Q}[n]$  and we rewrite  $\psi_l(n)$  in the form

$$\psi_l(n) = \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \gamma'_m \binom{n+m}{m}$$

for some  $\gamma'_m \in \mathbb{Q}$  and

$$\gamma'_{2l} = (2l)! \tilde{\gamma}_n = \sum_{p=0}^{2l} \dim M(2l-p, 1^p).$$

Therefore

$$\gamma_n = \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \gamma'_m \binom{n+m}{m} + \varepsilon_n, \quad n \geq 4l,$$

$$\gamma_n = \nu_n + \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \gamma'_m \binom{n+m}{m} + \varepsilon_n, \quad \nu_n \in \mathbb{Q}, \quad n < 4l,$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(t) = \gamma(E \otimes E_{2l}, t) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \gamma'_m \binom{n+m}{m} t^n + \sum_{m=0}^{4l-1} \nu_m t^m + \sum_{n \geq 0} t^{2n} = \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \frac{\gamma'_m}{(1-t)^{m+1}} + \theta_l(t) + \frac{1}{1-t^2},\end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta_l(t) \in \mathbb{Q}[t]$  and  $\deg \theta_l(t) \leq 4l - 1$ . Applying Prop. 1.2 (iii) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}c(t) = c(E \otimes E_{2l}, t) &= \sum c_n (E \otimes E_{2l}) t^n = \\ \sum_{m=0}^{2l} \frac{\gamma'_m (1-t)^m}{(1-2t)^{m+1}} + \frac{1}{1-t} \theta_l &\left( \frac{t}{1-t} \right) + \frac{1}{2(1-2t)} + \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{(1-t)^m}{(1-2t)^{m+1}} &= \frac{(1+(1-2t))^m}{2^m (1-2t)^{m+1}} = \frac{1}{2^m (1-2t)^{m+1}} = \rho_m \left( \frac{1}{1-2t} \right),\end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_m(t) \in \mathbb{Q}[t]$ ,  $\deg \rho_m(t) < m$ . Similarly

$$\frac{1}{1-t} \theta_l \left( \frac{t}{1-t} \right) = \tau_l \left( \frac{1}{1-t} \right), \quad \tau_l(t) = \sum \tau_{lm} t^m \in \mathbb{Q}[t],$$

$$\deg \tau_l(t) \leq 4l - 1.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}c(t) &= \frac{\gamma'_{2l}}{2^{2l}(1-2t)^{2l+1}} + \sum_{m=0}^{2l-1} \frac{\gamma''_m}{(1-2t)^{m+1}} + \sum_{m=0}^{4l-1} \frac{\tau_{lm}}{(1-t)^{m+1}} + \frac{1}{2} = \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( \left( \frac{\gamma'_{2l}}{2^{2l}} \binom{n+2l}{2l} + \sum_{m=0}^{2l-1} \gamma''_m \binom{n+m}{m} \right) 2^n + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{m=0}^{4l-1} \tau_{lm} \binom{n+m}{m} \right) t^n + \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

and  $c_n = \xi_l(n) 2^n + \eta_l(n)$ ,  $n > 0$ , where  $\xi_l(n), \eta_l(n) \in \mathbb{Q}[n]$ ,  $\deg \xi_l(n) = 2l$ ,  $\deg \eta_l(n) \leq 4l - 1$  and the leading term of  $\xi_l(n)$  is equal to

$$\frac{\gamma'_{2l}}{2^{2l}(2l)!} = \frac{1}{2^{2l}(2l)!} \sum_{p=0}^{2l} \dim M(2l-p, 1^p).$$

Using the hook formula it is easy to see that

$$\dim M(2l-p, 1^p) = \binom{2p-1}{p}, \sum_{p=0}^{2l} \dim M(2l-p, 1^p) = 2^{2l-1}$$

and this completes the proof of the theorem.  $\diamond$

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