

# Some gradings on nonassociative algebras related to fine gradings of exceptional simple Lie algebras

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If  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{F}$ , there is a grading on  $\mathcal{R} = M_n(\mathbb{F})$  ( $\Rightarrow$  on  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{F})$ ) by  $G = \mathbb{Z}_n^2$ :

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \varepsilon^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is a primitive  $n$ -th root of 1. Choose generators  $a$  and  $b$  of  $G$  and set  $\mathcal{R}_{a^i b^j} = \mathbb{F} X^i Y^j$ .

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All Pauli gradings on  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$  or  $\mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{F})$  are equivalent. For  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$ , there are  $\phi(n)$  (Euler function) non-isomorphic  $\mathbb{Z}_n^2$ -gradings among them. Hence  $\frac{1}{2}\phi(n)$  for  $\mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{F})$  if  $n > 2$ .

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If  $\mathbb{F}$  is a.c.,  $\text{char } \mathbb{F} = 0$ , then (equivalence classes of) fine gradings on  $\mathcal{A}$   
 $\leftrightarrow$  (conjugacy classes of) maximal quasitori in  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{A})$ .

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$$(s, x, y) = -(x, s, y) = (x, y, s) \quad \text{for all } x, y, s \in \mathcal{A} \text{ with } \bar{s} = -s,$$

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$\mathbb{Z}^6$	Cartan	$\mathbb{Z}^7$	Cartan	$\mathbb{Z}^8$	Cartan
$\mathbb{Z}^4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ( $F_4, \mathcal{X}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}^4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2$ ( $F_4, \Omega$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\Omega}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}^4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$ ( $F_4, \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^1)$
$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^2$ ( $G_2, M_3(\mathbb{F})^{(+)}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^1, \Gamma_{M_3(\mathbb{F})}^2)$	—	—	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$ ( $G_2, \mathcal{A}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^1, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$
$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$ ( $A_2, \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^2, \Gamma_{M_3(\mathbb{F})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$ ( $C_3, \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(3(\Omega))}^1)$	—	—
$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$ ( $BC_2, \mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})_{1/2}$ )	$Kan(\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})})$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4$ ( $BC_2, \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})_{1/2}$ )	$Kan(\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})})$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^5$ ( $BC_2, \mathcal{X}(\Omega)_{1/2}$ )	$Kan(\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mathcal{X}(\Omega)})$
—	—	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$ ( $A_1, \mathcal{A}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\Omega}^1, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$	—	—
$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^5$ ( $BC_1, \mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})$ )	$Kan(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^6$ ( $BC_1, \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})$ )	$Kan(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^7$ ( $BC_1, \mathcal{X}(\Omega)$ )	$Kan(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\Omega)}^1)$
$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4$ ( $\tilde{BC}_1, \mathcal{X} \otimes \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^5$ ( $BC_1, \Omega \otimes \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\Omega}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_2^6$ ( $\tilde{BC}_1, \mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{C}$ )	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^3)$
—	—	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ( $BC_1, \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})$ )	$Kan(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X})}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_4^3$ ( $BC_1, \mathcal{X}(\Omega)$ )	$Kan(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\Omega)}^2)$

# Fine gradings for “series” $E$ , finite universal group

$E_6$		$E_7$		$E_8$	
Universal group	Model	Universal group	Model	Universal group	Model
$\mathbb{Z}_3^4$	$\mathfrak{g}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{K}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{O}})$	—		$\mathbb{Z}_3^5$	$\mathfrak{g}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{O}})$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^2$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{M_3(\mathbb{F})}^2)$	—		—	
$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^7$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^8$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{K})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^9$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^1)$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^6$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^7$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^8$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$
$\mathbb{Z}_4^3$	$\text{Der}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\text{str}_0(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^2)$
$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4$	$\text{Der}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^5$	$\text{str}_0(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^6$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{Q})}^3)$
—		$\mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{K})}^2)$	—	
—		—		$\mathbb{Z}_5^3$	Jordan grading

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$E_6$		$E_7$		$E_8$	
Universal group	Model	Universal group	Model	Universal group	Model
$\mathbb{Z}_3^4$	$\mathfrak{g}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{K}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{O}})$	—		$\mathbb{Z}_3^5$	$\mathfrak{g}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{O}})$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^2$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{M_3(\mathbb{F})}^2)$	—		—	
$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3^3$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^4)$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^7$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathbb{F})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^8$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{K})}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^9$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^1)$
$\mathbb{Z}_2^6$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}}, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^7$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^8$	$\mathcal{T}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \Gamma_{\mathcal{A}}^2)$
$\mathbb{Z}_4^3$	$\text{Der}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\text{str}_0(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^2)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^2)$
$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4$	$\text{Der}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^5$	$\text{str}_0(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^3)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^6$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O})}^3)$
—		$\mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3$	$\text{stu}_3(\Gamma_{\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{K})}^2)$	—	
—		—		$\mathbb{Z}_5^3$	Jordan grading

The list is known to be complete (up to equivalence) for  $E_6$  if  $\text{char } \mathbb{F} = 0$  (Draper–Viruel, preprint 2012).