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# The properties on F-manifold color algebras and pre-F-manifold color algebras

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**Abstract:** The concept of F-manifold algebras is an algebraic expression of F-manifolds. In this paper, we provide the definition of an F-manifold color algebra, which can be viewed as a natural generalization of an F-manifold algebra. We develop the representation theory of an F-manifold color algebra and show that F-manifold color algebras admitting non-degenerate symmetric bilinear forms are coherence F-manifold color algebras. The concept of pre-F-manifold color algebras is also presented, and using this definition one can construct F-manifold color algebras. These results extend some properties of F-manifold algebras.

**Keywords:** Lie color algebra; F-manifold algebra; F-manifold color algebra; representation theory; pre-F-manifold color algebra

## 1. Introduction

Dubrovin [1] invented the notion of Frobenius manifolds in order to give geometrical expressions associated with WDVV equations. In 1999, Hertling and Manin [2] introduced the concept of F-manifolds as a relaxation of the conditions of Frobenius manifolds. Inspired by the investigation of describing F-manifolds algebraically, Dotsenko [3] defined F-manifold algebras in 2019 to relate operad F-manifold algebras to operad pre-Lie algebras. By definition, an F-manifold algebra is a triple  $(F, \cdot, [, ])$  satisfying the following Hertling–Manin relation:

$$H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) = x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4), \quad \forall x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F,$$

where  $(F, \cdot)$  is a commutative associative algebra, (F, [, ]) is a Lie algebra, and  $H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) = [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3] - [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_3 - x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_3]$ .

A vector space F admitting a linear map  $\cdot$  is called a pre-Lie algebra if the following holds:

 $(x_1 \cdot x_2) \cdot x_3 - x_1 \cdot (x_2 \cdot x_3) = (x_2 \cdot x_1) \cdot x_3 - x_2 \cdot (x_1 \cdot x_3), \quad \forall x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F.$ 

In recent years, pre-Lie algebras have attracted a great deal of attention in many areas of mathematics and physics (see [4–7] and so on).

Liu et al. [8] introduced the concept of pre-F-manifold algebras. Note that these algebras allow us to construct F-manifold algebras. They also studied representations of F-manifold algebras and constructed many other examples of these algebras. The definition of super F-manifold algebras and related categories was stated by Cruz Morales et al. [9]. Chen et al. [10] discussed the classification of three-dimensional F-manifold algebras over the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$ , which was based on the results of the classifications of low-dimensional commutative associative algebras and low-dimensional Lie algebras. Recently, the concept of Hom-F-manifold algebras and their properties have been given by Ben Hassine et al. [11].

In this paper, we provide the concepts of an F-manifold color algebra and a pre-F-manifold color algebra, respectively. We extend some properties of F-manifold algebras that were obtained in [8] to the color case. In Section 2, we summarize some concepts of Lie color algebras, pre-Lie color algebras, and representations of  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebras and Lie color algebras, respectively. In Section 3, we provide the concept of an F-manifold color algebra and then study its representation. The concept of a coherence F-manifold color algebra is also introduced, and it follows that an F-manifold color algebra admitting a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form is a coherence F-manifold color algebra, is defined in Section 4, and using these algebras, one can construct F-manifold color algebras.

Throughout this paper, we assume that k is a field with char k = 0 and all vector spaces are finite dimensional over k.

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### 2. Lie color algebras and relative algebraic structures

The concept of a Lie color algebra was introduced in [13] and systematically studied in [14]. Since then, Lie color algebras have been studied from different aspects: Lie color ideals [15], generalized derivations [16], representations [17, 18],  $T^*$ -extensions of Lie color algebras [19, 20] and hom-Lie color algebras [21], cohomology groups [22] and the color left-symmetric structures on Lie color algebras [23]. In this section, we collect some basic definitions that will be needed in the remainder of the paper. In the following, we assume that G is an abelian group and denote  $k \setminus \{0\}$  by  $k^*$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A skew-symmetric bicharacter is a map  $\chi : G \times G \to k^*$  satisfying

(i)  $\chi(g_1, g_2) = \chi(g_2, g_1)^{-1}$ , (ii)  $\chi(g_1, g_2)\chi(g_1, g_3) = \chi(g_1, g_2 + g_3)$ , (iii)  $\chi(g_1, g_3)\chi(g_2, g_3) = \chi(g_1 + g_2, g_3)$ , for all  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G$ . By the definition, it is obvious that for any  $a \in G$ , we have  $\chi(a, 0) = \chi(0, a) = 1$  and  $\chi(a, a) = \pm 1$ . **Definition 2.2.** A pre-Lie color algebra is the *G*-graded vector space

$$F = \bigoplus_{g \in G} F_g$$

with a bilinear multiplication operation  $\cdot$  satisfying

- 1)  $F_{g_1} \cdot F_{g_2} \subseteq F_{g_1+g_2}$ ,
- 2)  $(x_1 \cdot x_2) \cdot x_3 x_1 \cdot (x_2 \cdot x_3) = \chi(g_1, g_2)((x_2 \cdot x_1) \cdot x_3 x_2 \cdot (x_1 \cdot x_3)),$

for all  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ , and  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G$ .

**Definition 2.3.** A Lie color algebra is the *G*-graded vector space

$$F = \bigoplus_{g \in G} F_g$$

with a bilinear multiplication [, ] satisfying

- (i)  $[F_{g_1}, F_{g_2}] \subseteq F_{g_1+g_2}$ ,
- (ii)  $[x_1, x_2] = -\chi(g_1, g_2)[x_2, x_1],$
- (iii)  $\chi(g_3, g_1)[x_1, [x_2, x_3]] + \chi(g_1, g_2)[x_2, [x_3, x_1]] + \chi(g_2, g_3)[x_3, [x_1, x_2]] = 0$ ,

for all  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ , and  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G$ .

*Remark* Given a pre-Lie algebra  $(F, \cdot)$ , if we define the bracket  $[x_1, x_2] = x_1 \cdot x_2 - x_2 \cdot x_1$ , then (F, [, ]) becomes a Lie algebra. Similarly, one has a pre-Lie color algebra's version, that is to say, a pre-Lie color algebra  $(A, \cdot, \chi)$  with the bracket  $[x_1, x_2] = x_1 \cdot x_2 - \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot x_1$  becomes a Lie color algebra.

Let the vector space F be G-graded. An element  $x \in F$  is called homogeneous with degree  $g \in G$  if  $x \in F_g$ . In the rest of this paper, for any  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ , we will write  $\chi(x_1, x_2)$  instead of  $\chi(g_1, g_2), \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)$  instead of  $\chi(g_1 + g_2, g_3)$ , and so on. Furthermore, when we write the skew-symmetric bicharacter  $\chi(x_1, x_2)$ , it is always assumed that the elements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are both homogeneous.

For a  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$ , we mean that  $(F, \cdot)$  is a *G*-graded associative algebra with the following  $\chi$ -commutativity:

$$x_1 \cdot x_2 = \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \cdot x_1$$

for all  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}$  and  $x_2 \in F_{g_2}$ .

Now, we assume that the vector space V is G-graded. A representation  $(V, \mu)$  of the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  is a linear map  $\mu : F \longrightarrow \operatorname{End}_k(V)_G := \bigoplus_{e \in G} \operatorname{End}_k(V)_g$  satisfying

$$\mu(x_2)v \in V_{g_1+g_2}, \quad \mu(x_2 \cdot x_3) = \mu(x_2) \circ \mu(x_3)$$

for all  $v \in V_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ , where  $\operatorname{End}_k(V)_g := \{f \in \operatorname{End}_k(V) | f(V_h) \subseteq V_{h+g}\}$ . Given a Lie color algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ , its representation  $(V, \rho)$  is a linear map  $\rho : F \longrightarrow \operatorname{End}_k(V)_G$  satisfying

$$\rho(x_2)v \in V_{g_1+g_2}, \quad \rho([x_2, x_3]) = \rho(x_2) \circ \rho(x_3) - \chi(x_2, x_3)\rho(x_3) \circ \rho(x_2)$$

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for all  $v \in V_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ .

The dual space  $V^* = \bigoplus_{g \in G} V_g^*$  is also *G*-graded, where

$$V_{g_1}^* = \{ \xi \in V^* | \xi(x) = 0, g_2 \neq -g_1, \forall x \in V_{g_2}, g_2 \in G \}.$$

Define a linear map  $\mu^* : F \longrightarrow \operatorname{End}_k(V^*)_G$  satisfying

$$\mu^*(x_1)\xi \in V^*_{g_1+g_3}, \quad \langle \mu^*(x_1)\xi, v \rangle = -\chi(x_1,\xi)\langle \xi, \mu(x_1)v \rangle$$

for all  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}, v \in V_{g_2}, \xi \in V_{g_3}^*$ .

It is easy to see that

1) If  $(V, \mu)$  is one representation of the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$ , then  $(V^*, -\mu^*)$  is also its representation;

2) If  $(V, \mu)$  is one representation of the algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ , then  $(V^*, \mu^*)$  is also its representation.

## 3. F-manifold color algebras and representations

The concept of F-manifold color algebras is presented, and some results in [8] to the color case are established.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(F, [, ], \chi)$  be a Lie color algebra and  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  be a  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebra. A quadruple  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is called an F-manifold color algebra if the following holds for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$ ,

$$H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) = x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4),$$
(3.1)

where  $H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)$  is the color Leibnizator given by

$$H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) = [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3] - [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_3 - \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_3].$$
(3.2)

*Remark* It is noticed that if we set  $G = \{0\}$  and  $\chi(0, 0) = 1$ , then  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is exactly an F-manifold algebra.

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  be an F-manifold color algebra,  $(V, \mu)$  be a representation of the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$ , and  $(V, \rho)$  be a representation of the algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ . A representation of  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is a triple  $(V, \rho, \mu)$  if the following holds for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F$ ,

$$M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) = \mu(x_1)M_1(x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)M_1(x_1, x_3),$$
  
$$\mu(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)) = \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)M_2(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1) - \mu(x_1)M_2(x_2, x_3),$$

where the linear maps  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  from  $F \otimes F$  to  $\text{End}_k(V)_G$  are given by

$$M_1(x_1, x_2) = \rho(x_1)\mu(x_2) - \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)\rho(x_1) - \mu([x_1, x_2]),$$
(3.3)

$$M_2(x_1, x_2) = \mu(x_1)\rho(x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)\rho(x_1) - \rho(x_1 \cdot x_2).$$
(3.4)

**Example 3.1.** Let  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  be an *F*-manifold color algebra. We have that  $(F, ad, \mathcal{L})$  is a representation of  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$ , where  $ad : F \longrightarrow End_k(F)_G$  is given by

$$ad_{x_1}x_2 = [x_1, x_2]$$

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and the left multiplication operator  $\mathcal{L}: F \longrightarrow End_k(F)_G$  is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{x_1} x_2 = x_1 \cdot x_2$$

for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2 \in F$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $(F, \mathcal{L})$  is a representation of the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  and (F, ad) is a representation of the algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ .

Now, for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$ , we obtain

$$M_{1}(x_{1}, x_{2})x_{3} = (ad_{x_{1}}\mathcal{L}_{x_{2}} - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\mathcal{L}_{x_{2}}ad_{x_{1}} - \mathcal{L}_{[x_{1}, x_{2}]})x_{3}$$
  
=  $[x_{1}, x_{2} \cdot x_{3}] - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})x_{2} \cdot [x_{1}, x_{3}] - [x_{1}, x_{2}] \cdot x_{3}$   
=  $H_{x_{1}}(x_{2}, x_{3}).$ 

Thus

$$H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) = x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4)$$

implies the equation

$$M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3)x_4 = \mathcal{L}_{x_1}M_1(x_2, x_3)x_4 + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mathcal{L}_{x_2}M_1(x_1, x_3)x_4$$

On the other hand, we obtain

$$\begin{split} M_2(x_2, x_3)x_4 &= (\mathcal{L}_{x_2}ad_{x_3} + \chi(x_2, x_3)\mathcal{L}_{x_3}ad_{x_2} - ad_{x_2 \cdot x_3})x_4 \\ &= x_2 \cdot [x_3, x_4] + \chi(x_2, x_3)x_3 \cdot [x_2, x_4] - [x_2 \cdot x_3, x_4] \\ &= -\chi(x_3, x_4)x_2 \cdot [x_4, x_3] - \chi(x_2, x_4)\chi(x_3, x_4)[x_4, x_2] \cdot x_3 + \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4)[x_4, x_2 \cdot x_3] \\ &= \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4)([x_4, x_2 \cdot x_3] - [x_4, x_2] \cdot x_3 - \chi(x_4, x_2)x_2 \cdot [x_4, x_3]) \\ &= \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4)H_{x_4}(x_2, x_3). \end{split}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) M_2(x_2, x_3) \mathcal{L}_{x_1} x_4 &- \mathcal{L}_{x_1} M_2(x_2, x_3) x_4 \\ &= \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) M_2(x_2, x_3) (x_1 \cdot x_4) - x \cdot M_2(x_2, x_3) x_4 \\ &= \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_4) H_{x_1 \cdot x_4} (x_2, x_3) - \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4) x_1 \cdot H_{x_4} (x_2, x_3) \\ &= \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4) \{ H_{x_1 \cdot x_4} (x_2, x_3) - x \cdot H_{x_4} (x_2, x_3) \} \\ &= \chi(x_2 + x_3, x_4) \chi(x_1, x_4) x_4 \cdot H_{x_1} (x_2, x_3) \\ &= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_4) \chi(x_1 \cdot x_4) x_4 \cdot H_{x_1} (x_2, x_3) \\ &= H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) \cdot x_4. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the proof is completed.

Let  $(V, \rho, \mu)$  be a representation of the F-manifold color algebra  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$ . Note that  $F \oplus V$  is a G-graded vector space. In the following, if we write  $x + v \in F \oplus V$  as a homogeneous element for

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 $x \in F, v \in V$ , it means that x and v are of the same degree as x + v. Now assume that  $x_1 + v_1$  and  $x_2 + v_2$  are both homogeneous elements in  $F \oplus V$ . Define

$$[x_1 + v_1, x_2 + v_2]_{\rho} = [x_1, x_2] + \rho(x_1)v_2 - \chi(x_1, x_2)\rho(x_2)v_1.$$

Then we obtain that  $(F \oplus V, [, ]_{\rho}, \chi)$  is a Lie color algebra. Moreover, define

$$(x_1 + v_1) \cdot_{\mu} (x_2 + v_2) = x_1 \cdot x_2 + \mu(x_1)v_2 + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)v_1.$$

It is easy to see that  $(F \oplus V, \cdot_{\mu}, \chi)$  is a  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebra. In fact, we have

**Proposition 3.2.** With the above notations,  $(F \oplus V, \cdot_{\mu}, [, ]_{\rho}, \chi)$  is an *F*-manifold color algebra.

*Proof.* It is sufficient to check that the relation in Definition 3.1 holds.

For any homogeneous element  $x_1 + v_1, x_2 + v_2, x_3 + v_3 \in F \oplus V$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{x_1+v_1}(x_2+v_2,x_3+v_3) \\ &= [x_1+v_1,(x_2+v_2)\cdot_{\mu}(x_3+v_3)]_{\rho} - [x_1+v_1,x_2+v_2]_{\rho}\cdot_{\mu}(x_3+v_3) \\ &-\chi(x_1,x_2)(x_2+v_2)\cdot_{\mu}[x_1+v_1,x_3+v_3]_{\rho} \\ &= [x_1,x_2\cdot x_3] + \rho(x_1)\{\mu(x_2)v_3 + \chi(x_2,x_3)\mu(x_3)v_2\} - \chi(x_1,x_2+x_3)\rho(x_2\cdot x_3)v_1 - I - II. \end{aligned}$$

where

$$I = \{ [x_1, x_2] + \rho(x_1)v_3 - \chi(x_1, x_2)\rho(x_2)v_1 \} \cdot_{\mu} (x_3 + v_3)$$
  
=  $[x_1, x_2] \cdot x_3 + \mu([x_1, x_2])v_3 + \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)\mu(x_3)\{\rho(x_1)v_2 - \chi(x_1, x_2)\rho(x_2)v_1 \},$ 

and

$$II = \chi(x_1, x_2)(x_2 + v_2) \cdot_{\mu} \{ [x_1, x_3] + \rho(x_1)v_3 - \chi(x_1, x_3)\rho(x_3)v_1 \}$$
  
=  $\chi(x_1, x_2)\{x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_3] + \mu(x_2)(\rho(x_1)v_3 - \chi(x_1, x_3)\rho(x_3)v_1) + \chi(x_2, x_1 + x_3)\mu([x_1, x_3])v_2 \}.$ 

Thus

$$\begin{split} H_{x_1+v_1}(x_2+v_2,x_3+v_3) \\ &= H_{x_1}(x_2,x_3) + \{\rho(x_1)\mu(x_2) - \mu([x_1,x_2]) - \chi(x_1,x_2)\mu(x_2)\rho(x_1)\}v_3 \\ &+ \{\chi(x_2,x_3)\rho(x_1)\mu(x_3) - \chi(x_1+x_2,x_3)\mu(x_3)\rho(x_1) \\ &- \chi(x_1,x_2)\chi(x_2,x_1+x_3)\mu([x_1,x_3])\}v_2 + \{-\chi(x_1,x_2+x_3)\rho(x_2\cdot x_3) \\ &+ \chi(x_1+x_2,x_3)\chi(x_1,x_2)\mu(x_3)\rho(x_2) + \chi(x_1,x_2)\chi(x_1,x_3)\mu(x_2)\rho(x_3)\}v_1 \\ &= H_{x_1}(x_2,x_3) + M_1(x_1,x_2)v_3 + \chi(x_2,x_3)M_1(x_1,x_3)v_2 + \chi(x_1,x_2+x_3)M_2(x_2,x_3)v_1. \end{split}$$

Hence, for any homogeneous element  $x_4 + v_4 \in F \oplus V$ , we have

$$H_{(x_1+v_1)\cdot_u(x_2+v_2)}(x_3+v_3,x_4+v_4)$$

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$$= H_{x_1 \cdot x_2 + \mu(x_1)v_2 + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)v_1}(x_3 + v_3, x_4 + v_4)$$
  
=  $H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) + M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3)v_4 + \chi(x_3, x_4)M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_4)v_3$   
 $+ \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3 + x_4)M_2(x_3, x_4)(\mu(x_1)v_2 + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)v_1).$ 

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} &(x_1 + v_1) \cdot_{\mu} H_{x_2 + v_2}(x_3 + v_3, x_4 + v_4) \\ &= (x_1 + v_1) \cdot_{\mu} \{H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + M_1(x_2, x_3)v_4 + \chi(x_3, x_4)M_1(x_2, x_4)v_3 + \chi(x_2, x_3 + x_4)M_2(x_3, x_4)v_2\} \\ &= x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + \mu(x_1)\{M_1(x_2, x_3)v_4 + \chi(x_3, x_4)M_1(x_2, x_4)v_3 + \chi(x_2, x_3 + x_4)M_2(x_3, x_4)v_2\} \\ &+ \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + x_4)\mu(H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4))v_1, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{split} \chi(x_1, x_2)(x_2 + v_2) &\cdot_{\mu} H_{x_1 + v_1}(x_3 + v_3, x_4 + v_4) \\ &= \chi(x_1, x_2) \{ x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4) + \mu(x_2) \{ M_1(x_1, x_3)v_4 + \chi(x_3, x_4) M_1(x_1, x_4)v_3 \\ &+ \chi(x_1, x_3 + x_4) M_2(x_3, x_4)v_1 \} + \chi(x_2, x_1 + x_3 + x_4) \mu(H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4))v_2 \}. \end{split}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &(x_1 + v_1) \cdot_{\mu} H_{x_2 + v_2}(x_3 + v_3, x_4 + v_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)(x_2 + v_2) \cdot_{\mu} H_{x_1 + v_1}(x_3 + v_3, x_4 + v_4) \\ &= x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4) \\ &+ \{\mu(x_1)M_1(x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)(M_1(x_1, x_3))\}v_4 \\ &+ \{\chi(x_3, x_4)\mu(x_1)M_1(x_2, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_3, x_4)\mu(x_2)M_1(x_1, x_4)\}v_3 \\ &+ \{\chi(x_2, x_3 + x_4)\mu(x_1)M_2(x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_2, x_1 + x_3 + x_4)\mu(H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4))\}v_2 \\ &+ \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + x_4)\{\mu(x_2)M_2(x_3, x_4) + \mu(H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4))\}v_1 \end{aligned}$$

which satisfies the relation in Definition 3.1. Hence, the conclusion follows immediately.

It is noticed that, given a representation  $(V, \rho, \mu)$  of an F-manifold algebra, Liu, Sheng, and Bai [8] asserted that  $(V^*, \rho^*, -\mu^*)$  may not be its representation. Now, assume that  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is an F-manifold color algebra, together with a representation  $(V, \mu)$  of the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  and a representation  $(V, \rho)$  of the algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ . In order to prove the following proposition associated with an F-manifold color algebra, we need to define the linear map  $M_3$  from  $F \otimes F$  to End<sub>k</sub> $(V)_G$  by

$$M_3(x_1, x_2) = -\chi(x_1, x_2)\rho(x_2)\mu(x_1) - \rho(x_1)\mu(x_2) + \rho(x_1 \cdot x_2),$$

and the linear maps  $M_1^*, M_2^*$  from  $F \otimes F$  to  $\operatorname{End}_k(V^*)_G$  by

$$M_1^*(x_1, x_2) = -\rho^*(x_1)\mu^*(x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu^*(x_2)\rho^*(x_1) + \mu^*([x_1, x_2]),$$
  

$$M_2^*(x_1, x_2) = -\mu^*(x_1)\rho^*(x_2) - \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu^*(x_2)\rho^*(x_1) - \rho^*(x_1 \cdot x_2)$$

for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2 \in F$ .

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**Proposition 3.3.** With the above notations, assume that for any homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F$ , the following holds:

$$M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) = \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)M_1(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1) + \chi(x_2, x_3)M_1(x_1, x_3)\mu(x_2),$$
  
$$\mu(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)) = -\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)M_3(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1) + \mu(x_1)M_3(x_2, x_3).$$

Then  $(V^*, \rho^*, -\mu^*)$  is a representation of  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F, v \in V, \xi \in V^*$  are all homogeneous elements. First, we claim the following two identities:

$$\langle M_1^*(x_1, x_2)(\xi), v \rangle = \langle \xi, \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi) M_1(x_1, x_2) v \rangle; \langle M_2^*(x_1, x_2)(\xi), v \rangle = \langle \xi, \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi) M_3(x_1, x_2) v \rangle.$$

The claims follow from some direct calculations, respectively:

$$\langle M_1^*(x_1, x_2)(\xi), v \rangle$$

$$= \langle (-\rho^*(x_1)\mu^*(x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu^*(x_2)\rho^*(x_1) + \mu^*([x_1, x_2]))\xi, v \rangle$$

$$= \chi(x_1, x_2 + \xi)\langle \mu^*(x_2)\xi, \rho(x_1)v \rangle - \chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_2, x_1 + \xi)\langle (\rho^*(x_1)\xi, \mu(x_2)v \rangle$$

$$- \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi)\langle \xi, \mu([x_1, x_2])v \rangle$$

$$= -\chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi)\langle \xi, \mu(x_2)\rho(x_1)v \rangle + \chi(x_2, \xi)\chi(x_1, \xi)\langle \xi, \rho(x_1)\mu(x_2)v \rangle$$

$$- \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi)\langle \xi, \mu([x_1, x_2])v \rangle$$

$$= \langle \xi, \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi) \{ -\chi(x_1, x_2)\mu(x_2)\rho(x_1) + \rho(x_1)\mu(x_2) - \mu([x_1, x_2])\}v \rangle$$

$$= \langle \xi, \chi(x_1 + x_2, \xi)M_1(x_1, x_2)v \rangle,$$

and

$$\langle M_{2}^{*}(x_{1}, x_{2})(\xi), v \rangle$$

$$= \langle \{-\mu^{*}(x_{1})\rho^{*}(x_{2}) - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\mu^{*}(x_{2})\rho^{*}(x_{1}) - \rho^{*}(x_{1} \cdot x_{2})\}\xi, v \rangle$$

$$= -\chi(x_{1}, x_{2} + \xi)\chi(x_{2}, \xi)\langle\xi, \rho(x_{2})\mu(x_{1})v\rangle - \chi(x_{2}, \xi)\chi(x_{1}, \xi)\langle\xi, \rho(x_{1})\mu(x_{2})v\rangle$$

$$+ \chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, \xi)\langle\xi, \rho(x_{1} \cdot x_{2})v\rangle$$

$$= \langle\xi, \chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, \xi)\{-\chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\rho(x_{2})\mu(x_{1}) - \rho(x_{1})\mu(x_{2}) + \rho(x_{1} \cdot x_{2})\}v\rangle$$

$$= \langle\xi, \chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, \xi)M_{3}(x_{1}, x_{2})v\rangle.$$

With the above identities, we have

$$\langle \{M_1^*(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) + \mu^*(x_1)M_1^*(x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2)\mu^*(x_2)M_1^*(x_1, x_3)\}\xi, v \rangle$$

$$= \langle \xi, \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, \xi)M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3)v \rangle - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + \xi)\chi(x_2 + x_3, \xi)\langle\xi, M_1(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1)v \rangle$$

$$- \chi(x_1 + x_3, \xi)\chi(x_2, x_3 + \xi)\langle\xi, M_1(x_1, x_3)\mu(x_2)v \rangle$$

$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, \xi)\langle\xi, \{M_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)M_1(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1) - \chi(x_2, x_3)M_1(x_1, x_3)\mu(x_2)\}v \rangle$$

$$= 0,$$

and

$$\langle \{-\mu^*(H_{x_1}(x_2,x_3)) + \chi(x_1,x_2+x_3)M_2^*(x_2,x_3)\mu^*(x_1) - \mu^*(x_1)M_2^*(x_2,x_3)\}\xi,\nu \rangle$$

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$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, \xi) \langle \xi, \mu(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3))v \rangle + \chi(x_1, x_2 + z)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + \xi) \langle \mu^*(x_1)\xi, M_3(x_2, x_3)v \rangle \\ + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + \xi) \langle M_2^*(x_2, x_3)\xi, \mu(x_1)v \rangle \\ = \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, \xi) \langle \xi, \mu(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3))v \rangle - \chi(x_2 + x_3, \xi)\chi(x, \xi) \langle \xi, \mu(x_1)M_3(x_2, x_3)v \rangle \\ + \chi(x, x_2 + x_3 + \xi)\chi(x_2 + x_3, \xi) \langle \xi, M_3(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1)v \rangle \\ = \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, \xi) \langle \xi, \{\mu(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)) - \mu(x_1)M_3(x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)M_3(x_2, x_3)\mu(x_1)\}v \rangle \\ = 0.$$

Therefore, the conclusion follows immediately from the hypothesis and Definition 3.2.

Given an F-manifold color algebra  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$ , we define the linear map *T* from  $F \otimes F$  to  $\text{End}_k(F)_G$  by

$$T(x_1, x_2)(x_3) = -\chi(x_1, x_2)[x_2, x_1 \cdot x_3] - [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3] + [x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3]$$

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F$ .

**Definition 3.3.** An F-manifold color algebra  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is called a coherence one if for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$ , the following hold:

$$H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) = \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) H_{x_2}(x_3, x_1 \cdot x_4) + \chi(x_2, x_3) H_{x_1}(x_3, x_2 \cdot x_4),$$
  

$$H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) x_4 = -\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) T(x_2, x_3) (x_1 \cdot x_4) + x_1 T(x_2, x_3) (x_4).$$

**Proposition 3.4.** Assume that (, ) is a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form on the *F*-manifold color algebra  $(F, \cdot, [,], \chi)$  satisfying

$$(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) = (x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3)$$
 and  $([x_1, x_2], x_3) = (x_1, [x_2, x_3])$ 

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F$ . Then  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is a coherence F-manifold color algebra.

*Proof.* First, we prove that

$$(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3), x_4) = \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_4))$$

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$ .

In fact, we obtain

 $(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3), x_4)$ 

- $= ([x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3] [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_3 \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_3], x_4)$
- $= -\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)([x_2 \cdot x_3, x_1], x_4) \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_4)$  $-\chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_2, x_1 + x_3)([x_1, x_3], x_2 \cdot x_4)$
- $= -\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)(x_2 \cdot x_3, [x_1, x_4]) \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_4) + \chi(x_2, x_3)\chi(x_1, x_3)(x_3, [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_4])$
- $= -\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)\chi(x_2, x_3)(x_3, x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_4]) \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_4)$  $+\chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_4])$
- $= \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, -\chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_4] [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_4 + [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_4])$
- $= \chi(x_1 + x_2, x_3)(x_3, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_4)).$

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By the above relation, for every homogeneous element  $x_1, x_2, x_3, w_1, w_2 \in F$ , we have

$$(H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_1) - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)H_{x_2}(x_3, x_1 \cdot w_1) - \chi(x_2, x_3)H_{x_1}(x_3, x_2 \cdot w_1), w_2)$$
  
=  $\chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_2)) - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + w_1)(x_1 \cdot w_1, H_{x_2}(x_3, w_2))$   
 $-\chi(x_2, x_3)\chi(x_1 + x_3, x_2 + w_1)(x_2 \cdot w_1, H_{x_1}(x_3, w_2))$   
=  $\chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, w_1)) - \chi(x_2, x_3 + x_3)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + w_1)(x_1 \cdot w_1, H_{x_2}(x_3, w_2))$ 

$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_2)) - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + w_1)\chi(x_1, w_1)$$
  
(w\_1, x\_1 \cdot H\_{x\_2}(x\_3, w\_2)) - \cdot (x\_2, x\_3)\chi(x\_1 + x\_3, x\_2 + w\_1)\chi(x\_2, w\_1)(w\_1, x\_2 \cdot H\_{x\_1}(x\_3, w\_2))

$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_2)) - \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, w_2)) -\chi(x_2, x_3)\chi(x_1 + x_3, x_2)\chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, w_2))$$

$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_2)) - \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, w_2)) -\chi(x_1, x_2)\chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, w_2))$$

$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, w_2) - x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, w_2) - \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, w_2))$$

We claim the following identity:

$$(T(x_2, x_3)(w_1), w_2) = \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1 + w_2)(w_1, H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3)).$$

In fact, we have

$$(T(x_{2}, x_{3})(w_{1}), w_{2})$$

$$= (-\chi(x_{2}, x_{3})[x_{3}, x_{2} \cdot w_{1}] - [x_{2}, x_{3} \cdot w_{1}] + [x_{2} \cdot x_{3}, w_{1}], w_{2})$$

$$= \chi(x_{2}, x_{3})\chi(x_{3}, x_{2} + w_{1})(x_{2} \cdot w_{1}, [x_{3}, w_{2}]) + \chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + w_{1})(x_{3} \cdot w_{1}, [x_{2}, w_{2}])$$

$$-\chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, [x_{2} \cdot x_{3}, w_{2}])$$

$$= \chi(x_{3}, w_{1})\chi(x_{2}, w_{1})(w_{1}, x_{2} \cdot [x_{3}, w_{2}]) + \chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + w_{1})\chi(x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, x_{3} \cdot [x_{2}, w_{2}])$$

$$-\chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, [x_{2} \cdot x_{3}, w_{2}]) + \chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})\chi(x_{2}, x_{3})(w_{1}, x_{3} \cdot [x_{2}, w_{2}])$$

$$-\chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, x_{2} \cdot [x_{3}, w_{2}]) + \chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})\chi(x_{2}, x_{3})(w_{1}, x_{3} \cdot [x_{2}, w_{2}])$$

$$-\chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, [x_{2} \cdot x_{3}, w_{2}])$$

$$= \chi(x_{2} + x_{3}, w_{1})(w_{1}, [x_{2} \cdot [x_{3}, w_{2}]) + \chi(x_{2}, x_{3})x_{3} \cdot [x_{2}, w_{2}] - [x_{2} \cdot x_{3}, w_{2}])$$

$$= \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_2)H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3))$$

 $= \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1 + w_2)(w_1, H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3)).$ 

With the above identity, we have

$$(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) \cdot w_1 + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)T(x_2, x_3)(x_1 \cdot w_1) - x_1 \cdot T(x_2, x_3)(w_1), w_2)$$

- $= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x_1 + w_1 + w_2)$ (x<sub>1</sub> · w<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>w<sub>2</sub></sub>(x<sub>2</sub>, x<sub>3</sub>)) -  $\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + w_1)(T(x_2, x_3)w_1, x_1 \cdot w_2)$
- $= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2) + \chi(x_1, w_1)\chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1 + w_2)(w_1, x_1 \cdot H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3))$  $-\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3 + w_1)\chi(x_2 + x_3, x + w_1 + w_2)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot w_2}(x_2, x_3))$

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$$= \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2) + \chi(x_1, w_1)\chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1 + w_2)(w_1, x_1 \cdot H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3)) -\chi(x_1, w_1)\chi(x_2 + x_3, w_1 + w_2)(w_1, H_{x_1 \cdot w_2}(x_2, x_3)) = \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2 + \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_2)x_1 \cdot H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3) -\chi(x_2 + x_3, w_2)H_{x_1 \cdot w_2}(x_2, x_3)) = \chi(x_1 + x_2 + x_3, w_1)(w_1, H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2 + \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_2)x_1 \cdot H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3) -(H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3)w_2 + \chi(x_2 + x_3, w_2)x_1 \cdot H_{w_2}(x_2, x_3))) = 0.$$

Then, according to the assumption that the symmetric bilinear form (, ) is non-degenerate, the conclusion is obtained.  $\hfill \Box$ 

#### 4. Pre-F-manifold color algebras

The concept of pre-F-manifold color algebras is presented in this section, and using these algebras we construct F-manifold color algebras.

**Definition 4.1.** Let the vector space *F* be G-graded and  $\bullet$  be a bilinear multiplication operator on *F*. A triple  $(F, \bullet, \chi)$  is called a Zinbiel color algebra if the following hold:

- (i)  $F_{g_1} \bullet F_{g_2} \subseteq F_{g_1+g_2}$ ,
- (ii)  $x_1 \bullet (x_2 \bullet x_3) = (x_1 \bullet x_2) \bullet x_3 + \chi(x_1, x_2)(x_2 \bullet x_1) \bullet x_3$ ,

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1 \in F_{g_1}, x_2 \in F_{g_2}, x_3 \in F_{g_3}$ , and  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G$ .

Given a Zinbiel color algebra (F,  $\bullet$ ,  $\chi$ ), define

$$x_1 \cdot x_2 = x_1 \bullet x_2 + \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \bullet x_1, \tag{4.1}$$

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2 \in F$ . Then it is not difficult to see that the algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  is both  $\chi$ -commutative and associative.

Define a linear map  $\mathfrak{L}: F \longrightarrow \operatorname{End}_k(F)_G$  by

$$\mathfrak{L}_{x_1} x_2 = x_1 \bullet x_2, \tag{4.2}$$

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2 \in F$ . Then one has the following result.

**Lemma 4.1.** With the above notations,  $(F, \mathfrak{L})$  is a representation of  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$ .

*Proof.* According to the definition of  $\mathfrak{L}$ , we get

 $\mathfrak{L}_{x_1 \cdot x_2} x_3 = (x_1 \cdot x_2) \bullet x_3 = (x_1 \bullet x_2 + \chi(x_1, x_2)(x_2 \bullet x_1)) \bullet x_3 = x_1 \bullet (x_2 \bullet x_3) = \mathfrak{L}_{x_1} \mathfrak{L}_{x_2} x_3.$ 

Thus, the proof follows.

Let  $(F, \bullet, \chi)$  be a Zinbiel color algebra and  $(F, *, \chi)$  be a pre-Lie color algebra. For any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in F$ , define two linear maps  $Q_1, Q_2 : F \otimes F \otimes F \longrightarrow F$  by

$$Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 * (x_2 \bullet x_3) - \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \bullet (x_1 * x_3) - [x_1, x_2] \bullet x_3$$

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 $Q_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 \bullet (x_2 * x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \bullet (x_1 * x_3) - (x_1 \cdot x_2) * x_3,$ 

where the operation  $\cdot$  is given by (4.1) and the bracket [, ] is given by

$$[x_1, x_2] = x_1 * x_2 - \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 * x_1.$$
(4.3)

**Definition 4.2.** With the above notations,  $(F, \bullet, *, \chi)$  is called a pre-*F*-manifold color algebra if the following hold

$$(Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_2, x_3)Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1)) \bullet x_4$$
  
=  $\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1 \bullet x_4) - x_1 \bullet Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_4),$   
 $Q_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 \bullet Q_1(x_2, x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \bullet Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_4)$ 

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$ .

Since  $(F, [, ], \chi)$  is a Lie color algebra, it is known that (F, L) is a representation of  $(F, [, ], \chi)$  if one defines the linear map  $L : F \longrightarrow \text{End}_k(F)_G$  by

$$L_{x_1} x_2 = x_1 * x_2, \tag{4.4}$$

for any homogeneous elements  $x_1, x_2 \in F$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Suppose that  $(F, \bullet, *, \chi)$  is a pre-*F*-manifold color algebra; then

- (1)  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is an *F*-manifold color algebra, where the operation  $\cdot$  is given by (4.1) and the bracket [,] is given by (4.3);
- (2)  $(F; L, \mathfrak{L})$  is a representation of  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$ , where the map L is given by (4.4) and the map  $\mathfrak{L}$  is given by (4.2).

*Proof.* (1) It is known that  $(F, [, ], \chi)$  is a Lie color algebra and  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$  is a  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebra. Thus, we only need to prove that the relation in Definition 3.1 is satisfied.

Assume that  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F$  are all homogeneous elements. We claim the following identity:

$$H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) = Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_2, x_3)Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1).$$
(4.5)

In fact, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{x_1}(x_2, x_3) &= [x_1, x_2 \cdot x_3] - [x_1, x_2] \cdot x_3 - \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \cdot [x_1, x_3] \\ &= x_1 * (x_2 \cdot x_3) - \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)(x_2 \cdot x_3) * x_1 - [x_1, x_2] \bullet x_3 - \chi(x + x_2, x_3)x_3 \bullet [x_1, x_2] \\ &-\chi(x_1, x_2)\{x_2 \bullet [x_1, x_3] + \chi(x_2, x_1 + x_3)[x_1, x_3] \bullet x_2\} \\ &= x_1 * (x_2 \bullet x_3) - \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \bullet (x_1 * x_3) - [x_1, x_2] \bullet x_3 \\ &+\chi(x_2, x_3)\{x_1 * (x_3 \bullet x_2) - \chi(x_1, x_3)x_3 \bullet (x_1 * x_2) - [x_1, x_3] \bullet x_2\} \\ &+\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)\{x_2 \bullet (x_3 * x_1) + \chi(x_2, x_3)x_3 \bullet (x_2 * x_1) - (x_2 \cdot x_3) * x_1\} \\ &= Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_2, x_3)Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1). \end{aligned}$$

With the above identity, we obtain

$$H_{x_1 \cdot x_2}(x_3, x_4) - x_1 \cdot H_{x_2}(x_3, x_4) - \chi(x_1, x_2) x_2 \cdot H_{x_1}(x_3, x_4)$$

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$$= Q_{1}(x_{1} \cdot x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) + \chi(x_{3}, x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{1} \cdot x_{2}, x_{4}, x_{3}) + \chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1} \cdot x_{2}) -x_{1} \cdot \{Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) + \chi(x_{3}, x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{4}, x_{3}) + \chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2})\} -\chi(x_{1}, x_{2})x_{2} \cdot \{Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{3}, x_{4}) + \chi(x_{3}, x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{4}, x_{3}) + \chi(x_{1}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1})\} = \{Q_{1}(x_{1} \cdot x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) - x_{1} \cdot Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})x_{2} \cdot Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{3}, x_{4})\} + \{\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{1} \cdot x_{2}, x_{4}, x_{3}) - \chi(x_{3}, x_{4})x_{1} \cdot Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{4}, x_{3}) - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})x_{2} \cdot Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{4}, x_{3})\} + \{\chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1} \cdot x_{2}) - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\chi(x_{2}, x_{1} + x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{3}, x_{4}) \cdot x_{2} -\chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})\chi(x_{2}, x_{1} + x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{4}, x_{3}) \cdot x_{2} -\chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})\chi(x_{2}, x_{1} + x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1}) \cdot x_{2} -\chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})x_{1} \cdot Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2})\} + \{\chi(x_{1} + x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})\chi(x_{1}, x_{2})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2} \cdot x_{1}) -\chi(x_{1}, x_{2} + x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1}) \cdot x_{2} -\chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})\chi(x_{1}, x_{3} + x_{4} + x_{2})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2}) \cdot x_{1} - \chi(x_{1}, x_{2})\chi(x_{1}, x_{3} + x_{4})x_{2} \cdot Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2}) -\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})\chi(x_{3} + x_{4}, x_{1})Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{4}, x_{3}) \cdot x_{2} - \chi(x_{3} + x_{4}, x_{1})x_{1} \cdot Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1}) +\chi(x_{1}, x_{2} + x_{3} + x_{4})\{Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2} \cdot x_{1}) - Q_{1}(x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) \cdot x_{1} -\chi(x_{3}, x_{4})\chi(x_{3} + x_{4}, x_{1})Q_{1}(x_{1}, x_{4}, x_{3}) \cdot x_{2} - \chi(x_{3} + x_{4}, x_{1})x_{1} \cdot Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2}) +\chi(x_{1}, x_{2} + x_{3} + x_{4})\{\chi(x_{2}, x_{3} + x_{4})Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{2}) \cdot x_{1} - x_{2} \cdot Q_{2}(x_{3}, x_{4}, x_{1})\} +\chi(x_{1}, x_{2} + x_{3} + x_{4})\{\chi(x_$$

Hence,  $(F, \cdot, [, ], \chi)$  is an F-manifold color algebra.

(2) It is known that (F, L) is a representation of the Lie color algebra  $(F, [, ], \chi)$ . According to Lemma 4.1,  $(F, \mathfrak{L})$  is a representation of the  $\chi$ -commutative associative algebra  $(F, \cdot, \chi)$ . Define the linear map  $M_4$  from  $F \otimes F$  to  $\operatorname{End}_k(F)_G$  by

$$M_4(x_1, x_2) = L_{x_1} \mathfrak{L}_{x_2} - \chi(x_1, x_2) \mathfrak{L}_{x_2} L_{x_1} - \mathfrak{L}_{[x_1, x_2]}.$$

Thus  $Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = M_4(x_1, x_2)(x_3)$ , and the equation

$$Q_1(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 \bullet Q_1(x_2, x_3, x_4) + \chi(x_1, x_2)x_2 \bullet Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_4)$$

implies

$$M_4(x_1 \cdot x_2, x_3) = \mathfrak{L}_{x_1} M_4(x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_1, x_2) \mathfrak{L}_{x_2} M_4(x_1, x_3).$$

On the other hand, define the linear map  $M_5$  from  $F \otimes F$  to  $\text{End}_k(F)_G$  by

$$M_5(x_1, x_2) = \mathfrak{L}_{x_1} L_{x_2} + \chi(x_1, x_2) \mathfrak{L}_{x_2} L_{x_1} - L_{x_1 \cdot x_2}.$$

Thus  $Q_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = M_5(x_1, x_2)(x_3)$ . Combining (4.5), the equation

$$(Q_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \chi(x_2, x_3)Q_1(x_1, x_3, x_2) + \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1)) \bullet x_4$$
  
=  $\chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3)Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_1 \bullet x_4) - x_1 \bullet Q_2(x_2, x_3, x_4)$ 

implies

$$\mathfrak{L}_{H_{x_1}(x_2,x_3)} = \chi(x_1, x_2 + x_3) M_5(x_2, x_3) \mathfrak{L}_{x_1} - \mathfrak{L}_{x_1} M_5(x_2, x_3).$$

Hence, the proof is completed.

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## 5. Conclusions

An F-manifold is "locally" an F-manifold algebra. We generalize the definition of an F-manifold algebra by introducing an F-manifold color algebra and study its representation theory. Then we provide the concept of a coherence F-manifold color algebra and obtain that an F-manifold color algebra admitting a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form is a coherence F-manifold color algebra. The concept of a pre-F-manifold color algebra is also defined, and with the help of these algebras, one can construct F-manifold color algebras.

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