# $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Levi\ subgroups\ of\ p-adic\ Spin(2n+1)} \\ {}_{\rm Ivan\ Mati\acute{c}} \end{array} \end{array}$

#### Abstract

We explicitly describe Levi subgroups of odd spin groups over algebraic closure of a p-adic field.

## 1 Introduction

Let F be an algebraic closure of a p-adic field. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let Spin(2n + 1, F) be the split simply-connected algebraic group of type  $B_n$ . Spin(2n + 1, F) is a double covering, as algebraic groups, of the odd special orthogonal group SO(2n + 1, F). In the representation theory, it is very important to know what the Levi subgroups in considered group look like. In some other classical groups, such as already mentioned SO(n, F), the Levi subgroups are isomorphic to a product of some general linear groups and another SO(m, F), where  $m \leq n$ , i.e. product of some general linear groups and classical group of a smaller rank and of a same type. But, this is not the case for spin groups, which implies that some different techniques for investigating these groups have to be used. Examples of Levi subgroups of Spin(5, F) can be found in [2], so we assume n > 2.

Here is an outline of the paper. Section 2 presents some preliminaries, mainly from [3] and [6]. In the third section, we have case-by-case consideration of Levi subgroups. The same method was used by Asgari in [1] to determine the Levi subgroups of a simply-connected group of type  $F_4$ .

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#### 2 Preliminaries

Fix a maximal torus T of Spin(2n + 1, F) and a Borel subgroup B containing T. The based root system associated to (Spin(2n + 1, F), B, T),  $(X, \Sigma, X^{\vee}, \Sigma^{\vee})$ , is given by

$$X = \mathbb{Z}e_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}e_2 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}e_{n-1} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\frac{e_1 + \dots + e_n}{2}$$
$$X^{\vee} = \mathbb{Z}(e_1^{\vee} - e_2^{\vee}) \oplus \mathbb{Z}(e_2^{\vee} - e_3^{\vee}) \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}(e_{n-1}^{\vee} - e_n^{\vee}) \oplus \mathbb{Z}2e_n^{\vee}$$

Let  $\Sigma = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n\}$  be a system of simple roots, where  $\alpha_1 = e_1 - e_2, \ \alpha_2 = e_2 - e_3, \ \ldots, \ \alpha_{n-1} = e_{n-1} - e_n, \ \alpha_n = e_n$ . We denote the associated coroots by  $\Sigma^{\vee} = \{\alpha_1^{\vee}, \alpha_2^{\vee}, \ldots, \alpha_n^{\vee}\}$ , where  $\alpha_1^{\vee} = e_1^{\vee} - e_2^{\vee}, \alpha_2^{\vee} = e_2^{\vee} - e_3^{\vee}, \ \ldots, \ \alpha_{n-1}^{\vee} = e_{n-1}^{\vee} - e_n^{\vee}, \ \alpha_n^{\vee} = 2e_n^{\vee} \text{ (observe that } e_1, \ldots, e_n \text{ are chosen in the standard way, such that } \langle e_i, e_j^{\vee} \rangle = \delta_{i,j} \rangle.$ 

Every standard Levi subgroup corresponds to some subset  $\theta$  of  $\Sigma$ . Subgroup corresponding to  $\theta$  will be denoted by  $M_{\theta}$ . Each  $M_{\theta}$  is an almost direct product of a connected component of its center and its derived group. Connected component of the center of  $M_{\theta}$  will be denoted by  $A_{\theta}$ , while derived group of  $M_{\theta}$  will be denoted by  $M'_{\theta}$ . In other words,

$$M_{\theta} \simeq \frac{A_{\theta} \times M_{\theta}'}{A_{\theta} \cap M_{\theta}'}$$

Since Spin(2n + 1, F) is a simply-connected group, the derived group of each  $M_{\theta}$  is also simply-connected, so it can be obtained directly from  $\theta$ , i.e. from its root system. It is well - known that

$$A_{\theta} = (\bigcap_{\beta \in \theta} ker\beta)^0$$

so  $A_{\theta}$  can also be obtained from the set of simple roots  $\theta$ . After obtaining  $A_{\theta}$  and  $M'_{\theta}$  (which will be considered case-by-case, depending on the type of  $\theta$ ), we can construct their almost direct product to finally obtain  $M_{\theta}$ .

The maximal torus of Spin(2n + 1, F) will be denoted by T. We have the next proposition ([1], Proposition 3.1.2 or [4], page 108), which holds for simply-connected groups:

**Proposition 2.1** Each  $t \in T$  can be written uniquely as

$$t = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i^{\vee}(t_i), t_i \in F^*$$

Kernels of simple roots in  $\Sigma$  can now be described as follows:

**Proposition 2.2** Let  $t \in ker\alpha_i$ . Then

$$\alpha_i(t) = \alpha_i(\prod_{j=1}^n \alpha_j^{\vee}(t_j)) = \prod_{j=1}^n t_j^{\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j^{\vee} \rangle} = 1$$

This implies:

- if i = 1, then  $t_1^2 = t_2$
- if  $2 \le i \le n-2$ , then  $t_i^2 = t_{i-1}t_{i+1}$
- if i = n 1, then  $t_i^2 = t_{i-1}t_{i+1}^2$
- if i = n, then  $t_i^2 = t_{i-1}$

Let  $z = \alpha_n^{\vee}(-1)$ . From [1], Corollary 3.1.3, follows that the center of Spin(2n + 1, F) equals  $\{1, z\} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_2$ . From now on, z stands for the non-trivial element of the center of Spin(2n + 1, F), for some  $n \ge 1$ . We introduce the notion of the general spin groups, following Asgari [1]. These groups are defined in the following way:

$$GSpin(2n+1,F) = \frac{GL(1,F) \times Spin(2n+1,F)}{\{(1,1),(-1,z)\}}, n \ge 1,$$

GSpin(1, F) = GL(1, F).

The derived group of a general spin group is a spin group.

Advantage of general spin groups is that their Levi subgroups are isomorphic to a product of general linear groups and a general spin group of a smaller rank. This was proved in [1], using root datum of general spin groups. Another proof can be found in this manuscript.

### 3 LEVI SUBGROUPS

Let us fix some notation. Let  $\theta \subset \Sigma$ ,  $\theta \neq \emptyset$ . Here and subsequently, we will write  $\theta$  as a union of connected components of its Dyinkin diagram,

$$\theta = \theta_1 \cup \theta_2 \cup \cdots \cup \theta_k$$

where  $\theta_i \cap \theta_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ . We choose  $\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_k$  in such a way that for  $\alpha_{i_1} \in \theta_{j_1}$  and  $\alpha_{i_2} \in \theta_{j_2}$ , where  $j_1 < j_2$ , then  $i_1 < i_2$ . For  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , let

 $n_i = |\theta_i|$ . For shorten notation, we write  $l_i$  instead of  $\sum_{1 \le j \le i} n_j$ . Now it follows that, if  $min_i$  is the minimal index such that  $\alpha_{min_i} \in \theta_i$ , then  $\theta_i = \{\alpha_{\min_i}, \alpha_{\min_i+1}, \dots, \alpha_{\min_i+n_i-1}\}$ . Also, if  $\alpha_{i_1} \in \theta_{j_1}$  and  $\alpha_{i_2} \in \theta_{j_2}$ , where  $j_1 < j_2$ , then  $i_2 - i_1 > 1$ .

We write  $\zeta_k$  for the k-th primitive root of identity in  $F^*$  and  $I_n$  for  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

Now we begin case-by-case consideration:

(1) Suppose  $\alpha_1 \in \theta$ ,  $\alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_n \notin \theta$ . Obviously,  $\alpha_1 \in \theta_1$ ,  $\min_1 = 1$  and  $min_k + n_k - 1 < n - 1.$ 

We obtain  $M'_{\theta}$  using [4], Chapter 5., Theorem 1.33, Lemma 1.35 and Example 1.36 (pages 109-111), where derived group of  $M_{\theta}$  is described. In this case,  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1+1, F) \times SL(n_2+1, F) \times \cdots \times$  $SL(n_k+1,F).$ 

Let  $\lambda_1 = t_1$ . From Proposition 2.2. we get  $t_2 = \lambda_1^2$ ,  $t_3 = \lambda_1^3$ , ...,  $t_{n_1} =$  $\lambda_1^{n_1}, t_{n_1+1} = \lambda_1^{n_1+1}$ . Next, put  $\lambda_2 = t_{n_1+2}, \lambda_3 = t_{n_1+3}, \ldots, \lambda_{min_2-n_1} =$  $t_{min_2}$ . If  $min_2 = n_1 + 2$ , then let  $\mu_1 = \lambda_1^{n_1 + 1}$ ; let  $\mu_1 = \lambda_{min_2 - n_1 - 1}$  otherwise.

From Proposition 2.2. again, we obtain

 $t_{min_2+1} = t_{min_2}^2 t_{min_2-1}^{-1} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^2 \mu_1^{-1},$  $t_{min_2+2} = t_{min_2+1}^2 t_{min_2}^{-1} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^4 \mu_1^{-2} \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{-1} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^3 \mu_1^{-2},$  $t_{min_{2}+3} = t_{min_{2}+2}^{2} t_{min_{2}+1}^{-1} = \lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}}^{4} \mu_{1}^{-3},$ 
$$\begin{split} t_{min_2+n_2-1} &= \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2} \mu_1^{-n_2+1}, \\ t_{min_2+n_2} &= \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} \mu_1^{-n_2}. \end{split}$$

This equations cover kernels of all the roots in  $\theta_2$ , so for each root between  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$  we put  $\lambda_{min_2-n_1+1} = t_{min_2+n_2+1}, \ \lambda_{min_2-n_1+2} = t_{min_2+n_2+2},$ ...,  $\lambda_{min_3-l_2} = t_{min_3}$ . If  $min_3 = min_2 + n_2 + 1$ , then let  $\mu_2 = \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} \mu_1^{-n_2}$ ; let  $\mu_2 = \lambda_{\min_3 - l_2 - 1}$  otherwise. Repeating the procedure similar to that in the previous paragraph, we get

$$t_{min_3+1} = t_{min_3}^2 t_{min_3-1}^{-1} = \lambda_{min_3-l_2}^2 \mu_2^{-1},$$
  
:

 $t_{min_3+n_3-1} = \lambda_{min_3-l_2}^{n_3} \mu_2^{-n_3+1},$  $t_{min_3+n_3} = \lambda_{min_3-l_2}^{n_3+1} \mu_2^{-n_3}.$ 

We continue by repeating this process for all the remaining subsets

 $\theta_4, \ldots, \theta_k$  of  $\theta$ . At the end we get  $t_{min_k+n_k-1} = \lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_k+1}$  and  $t_{min_k+n_k} = \lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k+1} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_k}$ .

Since in this case  $min_k + n_k < n$ , we also have to put  $\lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}+1} = t_{min_k+n_k+1}, \ldots, \lambda_{n-l_k} = t_n$ .

Finally, we have:

$$A_{\theta} = \{ \alpha_{1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1})\alpha_{2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1}^{2})\cdots\alpha_{n_{1}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1}^{n_{1}+1})\alpha_{n_{1}+2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{2})\cdots\alpha_{min_{2}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}})\cdot \\ \alpha_{min_{2}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}}^{2}\mu_{1}^{-1})\alpha_{min_{2}+2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}}^{3}\mu_{1}^{-2})\cdots \\ \alpha_{min_{2}+n_{2}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}}^{n_{2}+1}\mu_{1}^{-n_{2}})\alpha_{min_{2}+n_{2}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{2}-n_{1}+1})\cdots\alpha_{min_{3}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{3}-l_{2}}) \\ \alpha_{min_{3}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{3}-l_{2}}^{2}\mu_{2}^{-1})\cdots\alpha_{min_{3}+n_{3}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{3}-l_{2}}^{n_{3}+1}\mu_{2}^{-n_{3}})\cdots \\ \alpha_{min_{k}+n_{k}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{k}-l_{k-1}}^{n_{k}+1}\mu_{k-1}^{-n_{k}})\alpha_{min_{k}+n_{k}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_{k}-l_{k-1}+1})\cdots\alpha_{n}^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_{k}}): \\ \lambda_{1},\cdots,\lambda_{n-l_{k}}\in F^{*}\} \simeq (F^{*})^{n-l_{k}}$$

After identifying  $A_{\theta}$  with  $GL(1, F)^{n-l_k} \simeq (F^*)^{n-l_k}$ , we fix (as in [4], Example 1.36) an identification of  $M'_{\theta}$  with  $SL(n_1+1, F) \times SL(n_2+1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_k + 1, F)$  under which the element  $\alpha_1^{\vee}(\lambda_1)\alpha_2^{\vee}(\lambda_1^2)\cdots\alpha_{n_1}^{\vee}(\lambda_1^{n_1})$ goes to the diagonal element  $diag(\lambda_1, \lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_1, \lambda_1^{-n_1})$  of  $SL(n_1 + 1, F)$ ,  $\alpha_{min_2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_2-n_1})\alpha_{min_2+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{2n_2-n_1}\mu_1^{-1})\cdots\alpha_{min_2+n_2-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2-n_1}\mu_1^{-n_2+1})$  to  $diag(\lambda_{min_2-n_1}, \ldots, \lambda_{min_2-n_1}, \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{-n_2})$  of  $SL(n_2+1, F)$  and proceed in the same way for all connected components  $\theta_3, \ldots, \theta_k$  (similar identifications are used in all cases). Using this identifications, we conclude that in  $A_{\theta} \bigcap M'_{\theta}$  we have:  $\lambda_1^{n_1+1} = 1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \cdots = \mu_1 = 1,$  $\lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} = 1, \lambda_{min_2-n_1+1} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1+2} = \cdots = \mu_2 = 1,$  $\lambda_{min_3-l_2}^{n_3+1} = 1, \ldots, \mu_{k-1} = 1, \lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k+1} = 1,$ 

 $\lambda_{\min_k-l_{k-1}+1}=\cdots=\lambda_{n-l_k}=1,$ 

therefore

$$A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta} = \{ \alpha_1^{\vee}(\lambda_1) \alpha_2^{\vee}(\lambda_1^2) \cdots \alpha_{n_1}^{\vee}(\lambda_1^{n_1}) \alpha_{\min_2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_2-n_1}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_k+n_k}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k}) :$$
  

$$\alpha_{\min_2+n_2-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_2-n_1}^{n_2}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_k+n_k}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k}) :$$
  

$$\lambda_1^{n_1+1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} = 1, \dots, \lambda_{\min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k+1} = 1 \}$$
  

$$\simeq \langle \zeta_{n_1+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_2+1} \rangle \times \cdots \times \langle \zeta_{n_k+1} \rangle$$

It follows immediately that

$$M_{\theta} \simeq \frac{(F^{*})^{n-l_{k}} \times SL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_{k}+1,F)}{\langle \zeta_{n_{1}+1} \rangle \times \cdots \times \langle \zeta_{n_{k}+1} \rangle}$$
  
$$\simeq \frac{F^{*} \times SL(n_{1}+1,F)}{\langle \zeta_{n_{1}+1} \rangle} \times \cdots \times \frac{F^{*} \times SL(n_{k}+1,F)}{\langle \zeta_{n_{k}+1} \rangle} \times (F^{*})^{n-l_{k}-k}$$
  
$$\simeq GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k}$$

because the mapping  $F^* \times SL(n, F) \to GL(n, F), (x, S) \mapsto xI_n \cdot S$ , is a surjective homomorphism whose kernel is isomorphic to  $\langle \zeta_n \rangle$ .

(2) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_n \notin \theta$ . Of course,  $\min_k + n_k - 1 < n - 1$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is again isomorphic to  $SL(n_1 + 1, F) \times SL(n_2 + 1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_k + 1, F)$ . We start with  $\lambda_1 = t_1, \lambda_2 = t_2, \ldots, \lambda_{\min_1} = t_{\min_1}$ . It follows  $t_{\min_1+1} = \lambda_{\min_1}^2 \lambda_{\min_1-1}^{-1}, \ldots, t_{\min_1+n_1-1} = \lambda_{\min_1}^{n_1} \lambda_{\min_1-1}^{-n_1+1}$  and  $t_{\min_1+n_1} = \lambda_{\min_1}^{n_1+1} \lambda_{\min_1-1}^{-n_1}$ . We can now proceed analogously to the case (1):

$$A_{\theta} = \{ \alpha_{1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_{1}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{1}}) \alpha_{\min_{1}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{1}}^{2}\lambda_{\min_{1}-1}^{-1}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_{n}+n_{1}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{1}}^{n+1}\lambda_{\min_{1}-1}^{-n_{1}}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_{k}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}}) \cdots \alpha_{\min_{k}+n_{k}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}}^{n+1}\mu_{k-1}^{-n_{k}}) \alpha_{\min_{k}+n_{k}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}+1}) \cdots \alpha_{n}^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_{k}}) : \lambda_{1}, \cdots, \lambda_{n-l_{k}} \in F^{*} \}$$

$$\simeq (F^{*})^{n-l_{k}}$$

In  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta}$  we have:

 $\lambda_{1} = \dots = \lambda_{\min_{1}-1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_{1}}^{n_{1}+1} = 1,$   $\lambda_{\min_{1}+1} = \dots = \lambda_{\min_{2}-n_{1}-1} = \mu_{1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_{2}-n_{1}}^{n_{2}+1} = 1,$   $\vdots$   $\lambda_{\min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}} = \dots = \lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}-1} = \mu_{k-1} = 1,$   $\lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}}^{n_{k}+1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_{k}-l_{k-1}+1} = \dots = \lambda_{n-l_{k}} = 1.$ Therefore,  $A_{\theta} \cap M_{\theta}' \simeq \langle \zeta_{n_{1}+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_{2}+1} \rangle \times \dots \times \langle \zeta_{n_{k}+1} \rangle$  and, again,

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_k+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-k_k-k}$$

(3) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_n \in \theta$ . Obviously,  $min_1 = 1$  and  $min_k + n_k = n + 1$ .

 $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1+1, F) \times SL(n_2+1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_{k-1}+1, F) \times Spin(2n_k+1, F).$ 

On the set  $\theta \setminus \theta_k = \theta_1 \cup \theta_2 \cup \cdots \cup \theta_{k-1}$  we apply the same analysis as in the case (1) and get  $\lambda_1 = t_1, \dots, \lambda_1^{n_1+1} = t_{n_1+1}, \lambda_2 = t_{n_1+2},$ :  $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}} = t_{min_{k-1}},$ :  $t_{min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}-1} = \lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}}^{n_{k-1}} \mu_{k-2}^{-n_{k-1}+1},$  $t_{min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}} = \lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}}^{n_{k-1}+1} \mu_{k-2}^{-n_{k-1}}.$ Next, put  $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+1} = t_n$ . From Proposition 2.2 applied to the set  $\theta_k$  we obtain:  $t_{n-1} = t_{n-2} = \cdots = t_{n-n_k} = \lambda_{min_k-1}^{2}$ . We have two

 $\theta_k$  we obtain:  $t_{n-1} = t_{n-2} = \cdots = t_{n-n_k} = \lambda_{\min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+1}^2$ . We have two possibilities which are considered separately:

•  $\min_{k-1} + n_{k-1} = n - n_k$ It follows directly that  $\min_{k-1} - l_{k-2} = n - l_k$  and  $\lambda_{n-l_k}^{n_{k-1}+1} \mu_{k-2}^{-n_{k-1}} = \lambda_{n-l_k+1}^2$ . So,  $A_{\theta} \simeq (F^*)^{n-l_k}$ . In  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta}$  we have:  $\lambda_1^{n_1+1} = 1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \cdots = \mu_1 = 1,$   $\lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} = 1, \lambda_{min_2-n_1+1} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1+2} = \cdots = \mu_2 = 1,$ :  $\lambda_{n-l_k}^{n_{k-1}+1} = 1 = \lambda_{n-l_k+1}^2.$ that implies  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta} \simeq \langle \zeta_{n_1+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_2+1} \rangle \times \cdots \times \langle \zeta_{n_{k-2}+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{2(n_{k-1}+1)} \rangle$ (this  $2(n_{k-1} + 1)$ -th root of identity comes from the last equation). This gives,

$$M_{\theta} \simeq \frac{GL(n_1+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_k-k} \times GL(1,F) \times SL(n_{k-1}+1,F) \times Spin(2n_k+1,F)}{B},$$

where  $B = \{(\zeta, \zeta^2 \cdot I_{n_{k-1}+1}, \zeta^{n_{k-1}+1}) : \zeta^{2(n_{k-1}+1)} = 1\}$ . Observe that the set  $\{\zeta^{n_{k-1}+1} : \zeta^{2(n_{k-1}+1)} = 1\}$  can be identified with  $\{1, z\}$ , the center of  $Spin(2n_k + 1, F)$ .

•  $min_{k-1} + n_{k-1} < n - n_k$ We put  $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+2} = t_{min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}+1}$ ,  $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+3} = t_{min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}+2}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\lambda_{n-l_k} = t_{n-n_k-1}$ .

Again, 
$$A_{\theta} \simeq (F^*)^{n-l_k}$$
, while in  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta}$  we have  
 $\lambda_1^{n_1+1} = 1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \dots = \mu_1 = 1,$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}}^{n_k-1+1} = 1, \ \mu_{k-2} = 1,$   
 $\lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+1}^2 = 1, \ \lambda_{min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}+2} = \dots = \lambda_{n-l_k} = 1, \text{ that implies}$   
 $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta} \simeq \langle \zeta_{n_1+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_2+1} \rangle \times \dots \times \langle \zeta_{n_{k-1}+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_2 \rangle.$   
Observe that  $\langle \zeta_2 \rangle \simeq \{(1,1), (-1,z)\}.$  We thus get,  
 $M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1,F) \times \dots \times GL(n_{k-1}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_k-k} \times$ 

$$\frac{GL(n_1+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-1}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)}{\langle \zeta_2 \rangle} \times GL(n_1+1,F) \times GL(1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_k-k} \times GSpin(2n_k+1,F)$$

(4) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_n \in \theta, \alpha_{n-1} \notin \theta$ . Clearly,  $min_1 = 1, \theta_k = \{\alpha_n\}$ and  $n_k = 1$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1 + 1, F) \times SL(n_2 + 1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_{k-1} + 1, F) \times Spin(3, F)$ . This case can be handled in much the same way as the case (3), so we only state final results.

• if  $min_{k-1} + n_{k-1} = n - 1$ , then

$$\begin{split} M_{\theta} &\simeq & GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \dots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k} \times \\ & \underbrace{GL(1,F) \times SL(n_{k-1}+1,F) \times Spin(3,F)}_{B} \\ \text{where } B &= \{(\zeta, \zeta^{2} \cdot I_{n_{k-1}+1}, \zeta^{n_{k-1}+1}) : \zeta^{2(n_{k-1}+1)} = 1\} \end{split}$$

• if  $min_{k-1} + n_{k-1} < n-1$ , then

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1, F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1, F) \times GL(1, F)^{n-l_k-k} \times GSpin(3, F)$$

(5) Suppose  $\alpha_1 \notin \theta, \alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_n \in \theta$ . Obviously,  $min_1 > 1$  and  $min_k + n_k = n + 1$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1 + 1, F) \times SL(n_2 + 1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_{k-1} + 1, F) \times Spin(2n_k + 1, F)$ .

Let  $\lambda_1 = t_n$ . From Proposition 2.2 we conclude that  $t_{n-1} = \cdots = t_{\min_k} = t_{\min_{k-1}} = \lambda_1^2$ . Next, let  $\lambda_2 = t_{\min_{k-2}}, \ldots, \lambda_{\min_{k-1}-m_{k-1}+1} = t_{\min_{k-1}+m_{k-1}-1}$ .

If  $min_{k-1} + n_{k-1} = min_k - 1$  then put  $\mu_1 = \lambda_1^2$  otherwise put  $\mu_1 = \lambda_{min_k - min_{k-1} - n_{k-1}}$ . Using standard calculations, easily follows:  $t_{\min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}-2} = \lambda_{\min_k-\min_{k-1}-n_{k-1}+1}^2 \mu_1^{-1},$  $t_{min_{k-1}+n_{k-1}-3} = \lambda_{min_k-min_{k-1}-n_{k-1}+1}^3 \mu_1^{-2},$ ÷  $t_{min_{k-1}-1} = \lambda_{min_k-min_{k-1}-n_{k-1}+1}^{n_{k-1}+1} \mu_1^{-n_k}$ 

In the next step, let  $\lambda_{\min_k - \min_{k-1} - n_{k-1} + 2} = t_{\min_{k-1} - 2}, \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{k-1} - n_{k-1} + 3}$  $= t_{\min_{k-1}-3}, \dots, \lambda_{\min_k-\min_{k-2}-n_{k-1}-n_{k-2}+1} = t_{\min_{k-2}+n_{k-2}-1}.$ 

If  $min_{k-2} + n_{k-2} = min_{k-1} - 1$  then put  $\mu_2 = \lambda_{min_k - min_{k-1} - n_{k-1} + 1}^{n_{k-1} + 1} \mu_1^{-n_k}$ otherwise put  $\mu_2 = \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{k-2} - n_{k-1} - n_{k-2}}$ . The rest of this construction runs as before:

$$t_{\min_{k-2}+n_{k-2}-2} = \lambda_{\min_{k}-\min_{k-2}-n_{k-1}-n_{k-2}+1}^{2} \mu_{2}^{-1},$$
  

$$\vdots$$
  

$$t_{\min_{k-2}-1} = \lambda_{\min_{k}-\min_{k-2}-n_{k-1}-n_{k-2}+1}^{n_{k-2}+1} \mu_{2}^{-n_{k-1}},$$
  

$$\vdots$$

 $t_{min_1-1} = \lambda_{min_k-min_1-l_{k-1}+1}^{n_1+1} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_1}.$ 

Also, we have to add  $\lambda_{\min_k-\min_{l-1}+2} = t_{\min_{l-2}}, \ldots, \lambda_{\min_k-l_{k-1}-1} = t_1$ . From  $min_k + n_k = n + 1$  we easily get that  $min_k - l_{k-1} - 1 = n - l_k$ .

$$A_{\theta} = \{ \alpha_1^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_k})\alpha_2^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_k-1})\cdots\alpha_{\min_{1}-2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_k-\min_{1}-l_{k-1}+2})\cdot \alpha_{\min_{1}-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{\min_k-\min_{1}-l_k+n_k+1}\mu_{k-1}^{-n_1})\cdots\alpha_{\min_{k}-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_1^2)\cdots\alpha_n^{\vee}(\lambda_1): \lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_{n-l_k}\in F^* \} \simeq (F^*)^{n-l_k}$$

In  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta}$  we have:

 $\lambda_1^2 = 1, \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{k-1} - n_{k-1}} = \mu_1 = 1, \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{k-1} - n_{k-1} + 1}^{n_{k-1} + 1} = 1,$ 

 $\mu_{k-1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{l-1} - l_{k-1} + 1}^{n_1 + 1} = 1, \lambda_{\min_k - \min_{l-1} - l_{k-1} + 2} = \dots = \lambda_{n-l_k} = 1,$ that implies

 $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta} \simeq \langle \zeta_{n_1+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_2+1} \rangle \times \cdots \times \langle \zeta_{n_{k-2}+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_2 \rangle.$ 

Finally,

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k} \times \frac{GL(1,F) \times Spin(2n_{k}+1,F)}{\langle \zeta_{2} \rangle}$$
  
$$\simeq GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k} \times GSpin(2n_{k}+1,F)$$

Observe that, for  $\theta = \Sigma \setminus \{\alpha_1\}$  we have  $\theta = \theta_1$ , k = 1,  $n_1 = n - 1$  and

$$M_{\Sigma \setminus \{\alpha_1\}} \simeq M_{\theta} = GSpin(2(n-1)+1, F)$$

which implies that GSpin(2n - 1, F) is the maximal Levi subgroup of Spin(2n + 1, F).

(6) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_{n-1} \notin \theta, \alpha_n \in \theta$ . Of course,  $min_1 > 1$  and  $n_k = 1$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1 + 1, F) \times SL(n_2 + 1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_{k-1} + 1, F) \times Spin(3, F)$ . Analysis similar to that in the case (5) shows that:

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k} \times \frac{GL(1,F) \times Spin(3,F)}{\{1,z\}}$$
$$\simeq GL(n_{1}+1,F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_{k-2}+1,F) \times GL(1,F)^{n-l_{k}-k} \times GSpin(3,F)$$

(7) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_{n-1} \in \theta, \alpha_n \notin \theta$ . Clearly,  $min_1 = 1$  and  $min_k + n_k = n$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1+1, F) \times SL(n_2+1, F) \times \cdots \times SL(n_k+1, F)$ .

Proceeding analogously to the case (1) we obtain:

$$\begin{split} \lambda_1 &= t_1, t_2 = \lambda_1^2, t_3 = \lambda_1^3, \dots, t_{n_1} = \lambda_1^{n_1}, t_{n_1+1} = \lambda_1^{n_1+1}, \\ \lambda_2 &= t_{n_1+2}, \lambda_3 = t_{n_1+3}, \dots, \lambda_{min_2-n_1} = t_{min_2}, \\ t_{min_2+1} &= \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^2 \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, t_{min_2+n_2} = \lambda_{min_2-n_1}^{n_2+1} \mu_1^{-n_2}, \\ \vdots \\ t_{min_k+n_k-1} &= \lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_k+1}, t_n^2 = t_{min_k+n_k}^2 = \lambda_{min_k-l_{k-1}}^{n_k+1} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_k}. \\ \text{Suppose } \theta &= \Sigma \setminus \{\alpha_n\}. \text{ Then } k = 1, n_1 = n - 1, M_{\theta}' = SL(n, F) \text{ and } \\ t_n^2 &= \lambda_1^n = t_1^n. \end{split}$$

If n is even, say n = 2m, then

 $A_{\theta} = \{\alpha_1^{\vee}(\lambda_1)\alpha_2^{\vee}(\lambda_1^2)\cdots\alpha_{n-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_1^{n-1})\alpha_n^{\vee}(\lambda_1^m) : \lambda_1 \in F^*\} \simeq F^*.$ 

Observe that  $t_k$  could not be equal  $-\lambda_1^m$  in  $A_\theta$ , because  $A_\theta$  is a connected component of the center. In  $A_\theta \cap M'_\theta$  we have  $\lambda_1^m = 1$ , so  $A_\theta \cap M'_\theta \simeq \langle \zeta^m \rangle$ , therefore

$$M_{\theta} \simeq \frac{GL(1,F) \times SL(n,F)}{\langle \zeta^m \rangle}$$

If n is odd, then  $M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n, F)$ , as Shahidi asserts in [5], Remark 2.2.

If  $\theta$  has more then one component, then  $t_n^2 = \lambda_{\min_k - l_{k-1}}^{n_k + 1} \mu_{k-1}^{-n_k}$ . Since  $n_k + 1$  and  $-n_k$  are of different parities, if  $n_k$  is even or  $\mu_{k-1}$  isn't equal to  $\lambda^m$  for some  $\lambda \in F^*$  and m even, we can proceed in the same way as above and get

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1, F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_k+1, F) \times GL(1, F)^{n-l_k-k}$$

Now we have to consider the situation when  $n_k$  is odd and  $\mu_{k-1} = \lambda^m$ , for  $\lambda \in F^*$  and m even. If this is the case, then  $\mu_{k-1} = \lambda_{\min_{k-1}-l_{k-2}}^{n_{k-1}+1} \mu_{k-2}^{-n_{k-1}}$ . Again, this implies that  $n_{k-1}$  is odd and  $\mu_{k-2} = \lambda_{\min_{k-2}-l_{k-3}}^{n_{k-2}+1} \mu_{k-3}^{-n_{k-2}}$ . We continue in this fashion to obtain  $\mu_2 = \lambda_{\min_{2}-n_1}^{n_{2}+1} \mu_1^{-n_2}$ ,  $n_2$  is odd,  $\mu_1 = \lambda_1^{n_1+1}$ and  $n_1$  is odd. We conclude that  $n_k$  is odd and  $\mu_{k-1} = \lambda^m$ , for  $\lambda \in F^*$  and m even, only if  $n_i$  is odd for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $\min_i + n_i = \min_{i+1} - 1$ for each  $1 \leq i \leq k-1$ . Observe that this implies  $\min_k - l_{k-1} = k = n - l_k$ . If this is the case, then

$$A_{\theta} = \{ \alpha_{1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1})\alpha_{2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1}^{2})\cdots\alpha_{n_{1}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{1}^{n_{1}+1})\alpha_{min_{2}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{2}) \cdot \\ \alpha_{min_{2}+1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{2}^{2}\mu_{1}^{-1})\alpha_{min_{2}+2}^{\vee}(\lambda_{2}^{3}\mu_{1}^{-2})\cdots \\ \alpha_{min_{k}}^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_{k}})\cdots\alpha_{n-1}^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_{k}}^{n_{k}}\mu_{k-1}^{-n_{k}+1})\alpha_{n}^{\vee}(\lambda_{n-l_{k}}^{\frac{n_{k}+1}{2}}\mu) : \\ \lambda_{1},\cdots,\lambda_{n-l_{k}} \in F^{*}, \mu^{2} = \mu_{k-1}^{-n_{k}} \} \simeq (F^{*})^{n-l_{k}}$$

In  $A_{\theta} \cap M'_{\theta}$  we have:

 $\lambda_1^{n_1+1} = \lambda_2^{n_2+1} = \dots = \lambda_{k-1}^{n_{k-1}+1} = \lambda_{n-l_k}^{\frac{n_k+1}{2}} = \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_{k-1} = 1, \text{ we}$ easily get that  $\lambda_{n-l_k}^{n_k+1} = 1$ , so  $A_\theta \cap M'_\theta \simeq \langle \zeta_{n_1+1} \rangle \times \langle \zeta_{n_2+1} \rangle \times \dots \times \langle \zeta_{n_k+1} \rangle$ and

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1, F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_k+1, F)$$

(8) Suppose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_n \notin \theta, \alpha_{n-1} \in \theta$ . Clearly,  $\min_1 > 1, \theta \neq \Sigma \setminus \{\alpha_n\}$ and  $\min_k + n_k = n$ .  $M'_{\theta}$  is isomorphic to  $SL(n_1 + 1, F) \times SL(n_2 + 1, F) \times$   $\cdots \times SL(n_k + 1, F)$ . By the same method as in the case (7), we obtain

$$M_{\theta} \simeq GL(n_1+1, F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_k+1, F) \times GL(1, F)^{n-l_k-k}.$$

From given cases we deduce the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.1** The Levi subgroups of the general spin group GSpin(2n + 1, F) are isomorphic to  $GL(n_1, F) \times GL(n_2, F) \times \cdots \times GL(n_k, F) \times GSpin(2m + 1, F)$ ,  $m \leq n$ .

**Remark:** Observe that  $\frac{F^* \times SL(n,F)}{\langle \zeta_n \rangle}$  is not isomorphic to GL(n,F) over p-adic field F which is not algebraically closed.

Let  $F_1$  be a p-adic field. We denote algebraic closure of  $F_1$  by  $\overline{F}_1$ .We have the next exact sequence:

 $1 \to \{\pm 1\} \hookrightarrow Spin(2n+1, \overline{F}_1) \xrightarrow{f} SO(2n+1, \overline{F}_1) \to 1,$ where f is a central isogeny.  $F_1$ -rational points of Spin(2n+1) may be obtained by using the following exact sequence:

 $1 \to \{\pm 1\} \hookrightarrow Spin(2n+1, F_1) \xrightarrow{f} SO(2n+1, F_1) \xrightarrow{\delta} F_1^*/(F_1^*)^2$  (homomorphism  $\delta$  is called the spinor norm)

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