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**On Centralizers of Elements in the Lie Algebra of the Special Cre-
mona Group $SA_2(k)$**

We give a description of maximal abelian subalgebras and centralizers of el-
ements in the Lie algebra $sa_2(k) = \{D \in \text{Der } k[x, y] \mid \text{div } D = 0\}$ over an
algebraically closed field k of characteristic 0. This description is given in terms
of closed polynomials.

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