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**Transitive Lie Algebras of Nilpotent Vector Fields and their Tanaka Prolongations**

Transitive nilpotent local Lie algebras of vector fields can be easily constructed from dilations  $h$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with positive weights (give me a sequence of  $n$  positive integers and I will give you a transitive nilpotent Lie algebra of vector fields on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) as the Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g}_{<0}(h)$  of the polynomial vector fields of negative weights with respect to  $h$ .

We provide a condition for the dilation  $h$  such that the Lie algebras of polynomial vectors defined by  $h$  are exactly the Tanaka prolongations of the corresponding nilpotent Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g}_{<0}(h)$ . However, in some cases of dilations  $h$  we can find some ‘strange’ elements of the Tanaka prolongations of  $\mathfrak{g}_{<0}(h)$ , which we describe in detail. In particular, we give a complete description of derivations of degree 0 for the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}_{<0}(h)$ .

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