

# ① Division algebras and related Lie groups

Algebra	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{H}$	$\mathbb{O}$
Group of units	$\{\pm 1\}$	$S^1$	$S^3$	—
Automorphisms	1	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$S^3 / \{\pm 1\}$	$G_2$
General linear group	$GL_n(\mathbb{R})$	$GL_n(\mathbb{C})$	$GL_n(\mathbb{H})$	5 exceptional groups
Maximal compact subgroup	$O(n)$	$U(n)$	$Sp(n)$	— " —
Special groups	$SO(n)$	$SU(n)$	—	—

Theorem Every compact group is of the form:  $G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_m \times (S^1)^k / A$

Where  $A$  is a finite abelian group  
 $G_i$  is a simple group, one of the list:  $SO(n), SU(n), Sp(n)$   
 or one of the 5 exceptional groups

Complex Lie groups:  $G$  is a complex manifold, multiplication and inverse are holomorphic

eg.  $GL(n), SL(n)$ , not  $U(n)$ !

"There are no complex, compact, noncommutative groups"

② Theorem If  $G$  is compact connected group, then  $G$  is abelian. It is of the form

$$G \cong \mathbb{C}^n / \Lambda \quad \text{where } \Lambda \text{ is a maximal lattice in } \mathbb{C}^n, \Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2n} \quad \text{A real Lie group } G \cong (S^1)^{2n} \quad [\text{proof will be later}]$$

• Instead of compact groups one considers "reductive groups" (definition and properties will be later). They can be classified

$$G \cong G_1 \times \dots \times G_m \times (\mathbb{C}^*)^k / A$$

where  $G_i$  is a complexification of a simple Lie group,  $A$  is finite abelian

Complexifications  $G_{\mathbb{C}} = G \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = T_1 G_{\mathbb{C}}$

$$(SU(n))_{\mathbb{C}} = SL_n(\mathbb{C}) \quad \det A = 1$$

$$(SO(n))_{\mathbb{C}} = SO(n, \mathbb{C}) \quad \text{complex matrices preserving a complex nondegenerate quadratic form } A^T A = I \quad \text{and additionally } \det A = 1$$

What is  $Sp(n)_{\mathbb{C}}$ ?

We defined  $Sp(n)_{\mathbb{C}}$  as

$$Sp(n) = GL_n(\mathbb{H}) \cap U(2n)$$

$$\text{i.e. } j A = A j \quad \text{and} \quad A^T \bar{A} = I$$

③ 1° condition:

$$cJA = AcJ$$

$c$  - conjugation

$$cJA = c\bar{A}J$$

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$JA = \bar{A}J$$

2° condition  $\bar{A}^{-1} = A^T$

$$\Rightarrow A^T J A = J$$

this means that  $A$  preserves the bilinear form given by the matrix  $J$ .

$$\omega(x, y) := x^T J y \quad \text{for } x, y \in \mathbb{C}^{2n}$$

$\omega$  is antisymmetric  $\omega(x, y) = -\omega(y, x)$   
and nondegenerate

Conclusion:

$Sp(n)$  is the group of unitary matrices preserving the form  $\omega$ .

$\omega$  is called the symplectic form

We define  $Sp_n(\mathbb{C}) = \{A \in GL_{2n}(\mathbb{C}) : A^T J A = J\}$

i.e. complex maps preserving  $\omega$ .

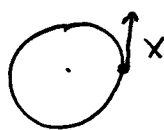
Clearly  $Sp(n) = Sp_n(\mathbb{C}) \cap U(2n)$

Exercise Show that  $Sp(n)$  is a maximal compact subgroup in  $Sp(n, \mathbb{C})$  and the dimensions satisfy  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} Sp(n, \mathbb{C}) = \dim_{\mathbb{R}} Sp(n)$   
In the end show that  $Sp(n)_{\mathbb{C}} = Sp(n, \mathbb{C})$

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## The exponential map

Example  $G = S^1 \cong \mathbb{T}$   $S^1 \subset \mathbb{C}$



$T_x S^1 = i\mathbb{R}$  tangent space at 1  
(linear space)

$$x = r \cdot i$$

1°  $x$  can be extended to a vector field tangent to  $S^1$ , which is invariant with respect to rotations; for  $g \in S^1$



$$\vec{V}(g) = \underbrace{D(L_g)_0}_{\text{differential of the left translation}}(x) = g \cdot x = g r i$$

2° There exists a homomorphism of groups  $\gamma: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow S^1$  s.t.  $\dot{\gamma}(0) = x$

$$\gamma(t) := e^{t \cdot x} = e^{t r i}$$

$\gamma$  satisfies the differential equation

$$\dot{\gamma}(t) = \vec{V}(\gamma(t))$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{t r i}) = e^{t r i} r i$$

We have identified

$$T_x S^1 = i\mathbb{R} \iff \text{invariant vector fields} \iff \text{homomorphisms } \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow S^1$$

The same construction works for any Lie group

⑤ Example 2: Matrices  $G = GL_n(\mathbb{R})$   
 $G$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^{n^2} = M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$   
 (condition  $\det A \neq 0$ )

For any  $A \in GL_n(\mathbb{R})$   $T_A GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

Left translation:  $GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{R})$   
 $L_A \quad B \mapsto AB$

This is a linear map.

The derivative

$$D(L_A)_I : T_I GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow T_A GL_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$X \mapsto AX$$

1° We can extend the vector  $X$  tangent at  $I$  to a left invariant vector field  $\vec{v}(A) := A \cdot X$

(Check

$$T_{A_1} GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{D(L_{(A_2 A_1^{-1})})_{A_1}} T_{A_2} GL_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$A_1 X \mapsto (A_2 A_1^{-1})(A_1 X)$$

$$\vec{v}(A_1) \mapsto \vec{v}(A_2)$$

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2° homomorphism:  $\mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{R})$

$$\gamma: t \mapsto \exp(tX) := I + tX + \frac{t^2 X^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3 X^3}{3!} + \dots$$

-  $\gamma(0) = X$

-  $\gamma$  is homomorphism  $\exp(sX) \cdot \exp(tX) =$

-  $\dot{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(t) \cdot X = \vec{v}(\gamma(t)) = \exp((s+t)X)$

Rt  $\gamma(t+s) = \gamma(t) \cdot \gamma(s) \mid \frac{d}{ds}$

$$\dot{\gamma}(t+s) = \gamma(t) \cdot \dot{\gamma}(s) \quad | s=0$$

$$\dot{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(t) \cdot X$$

⑥ The map  $\exp: M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{R})$

The differential at 0

$$D(\exp): T_0(M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})) \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{I}}(GL_n(\mathbb{R}))$$

$$M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \quad M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$D(\exp)_0(X) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \exp(tX) \right|_{t=0} = X$$

$$D(\exp)_0 = \text{id}_{M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})} \quad \text{identity}$$

Conclusion: there exists a neighbourhood  $U$  of 0 such that

$$\exp: U \rightarrow \exp(U)$$

is a diffeomorphism.

(The same holds for  $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ )

Further property

Suppose  $G \subset GL_n(\mathbb{R})$  is a subgroup

$$X \in T_{\mathbb{I}} G \subset T_{\mathbb{I}} GL_n(\mathbb{R})$$

Claim: Then  $\exp(X) \in G$

Proof  $X$   $\rightsquigarrow$  vector field  $L_g$ -invariant  $\rightsquigarrow$  integral curve

$$\vec{v}(g) = D(L_g)_0(X) \quad \gamma(t)$$

if  $g \in G$  then  $L_g$  preserves  $G$

$\vec{v}(g) = D(L_g)_0(X)$  is tangent to  $G$

$\dot{\gamma} = \vec{v} \Rightarrow \gamma$  contained in  $G$ .

We get  $\exp: T_{\mathbb{I}} G \rightarrow G$

We will show that this map does not depend on the embedding.

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Abstract setting:

$G$  - a Lie group  $g \in G$

$$L_g: G \rightarrow G$$

$h \mapsto gh$  left translation

For any vector  $x \in T_1 G$  we define a  $G$ -invariant vector field

$$\vec{V}(g) = D(L_g)_1(x)$$

(This vector field is left invariant

$$\begin{aligned} D(L_g)_h(\vec{V}(h)) &= D(L_g)_h \circ D(L_h)_1(x) = \\ &= D(L_g \circ L_h)_1(x) = D(L_{gh})_1(x) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition There is a bijection

$T_1 G \longleftrightarrow$  left invariant fields

Proposition For any left invariant field  $\vec{V}$  the solution of the differential equation

$$\textcircled{*} \begin{cases} \dot{\gamma}(t) = \vec{V}(\gamma(t)) \\ \gamma(0) = 1 \end{cases} \text{ exists for all } t$$

and  $\gamma: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow G$  is a homomorphism.

Proof A solution exists locally. (In fact  $\gamma(t) = \ell_t(1)$  where  $\ell_t$  is the flow of  $\vec{V}$ .)

We want to show that  $\gamma(t+s) = \gamma(s) \circ \gamma(t)$

whenever  $\gamma(t+s)$  is defined. We will show

that  $\gamma(s)^{-1} \cdot \gamma(t+s)$  is a solution of

⑧ The differential equation (\*)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma(s)^{-1} \gamma(t+s)) &= (DL_{\gamma(s)^{-1}})_{\gamma(t+s)} \dot{\gamma}(t+s) \\ &= (DL_{\gamma(s)^{-1}})_{\gamma(t+s)} \vec{v}(\gamma(t+s)) = \vec{v}(\gamma(s)^{-1} \gamma(t+s)). \end{aligned}$$

By uniqueness of solutions we get the claim.

Now we extend the solution:

it given on an interval  $\delta: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow G$

we define  $\gamma(t) = \gamma(t_1) \cdot \gamma(t_2) \cdots \gamma(t_n)$

where  $t_1 + \dots + t_n = t$  and  $|t_i| < \varepsilon$ .

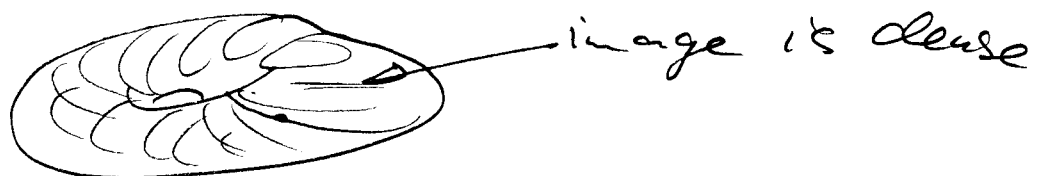
By the previous calculation the result does not depend on the partition and it satisfies the differential equation.  $\square$

Remark 1  $\gamma: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow G$  is called "1-parameter subgroup" but it does not have to be a subgroup

• e.g.  $\mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow S^1$

it can be a subgroup which is not closed

• e.g.  $\mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow (S^1)^2 = \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$   
 $t \mapsto (t, \lambda t) \pmod{\mathbb{Z}^2}$   
 where  $\lambda \notin \mathbb{Q}$





# Lie algebras

Lie algebra is a vector space  $V$  equipped with a bilinear, antisymmetric operation  $[\cdot, \cdot] : V \times V \rightarrow V$

$$[a, b] = -[b, a]$$

satisfying the Jacobi identity  $[a, [b, c]] + [b, [c, a]] + [c, [a, b]] = 0$

The Jacobi identity is equivalent to the Leibniz rule of the operation  $[a, \cdot] : V \rightarrow V$  with respect to  $[\cdot, \cdot]$ , i.e.

$$[a, [b, c]] = [[a, b], c] + [b, [a, c]] - [c, [a, b]] - [b, [c, a]]$$

Example 1 Associative algebra  $A$

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : A \times A \rightarrow A$$

$$a, b \mapsto ab - ba \quad (\text{check the Jacobi identity})$$

(special case  $A = M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ )

Example 2  $M$ -differential manifold (on open set  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ )

$V = C^\infty$ -vector fields

the commutator  $[\vec{X}, \vec{Y}]$  is a vector field

$$\text{satisfying } \vec{X}(\vec{Y}f) - \vec{Y}(\vec{X}f) = [\vec{X}, \vec{Y}]f$$

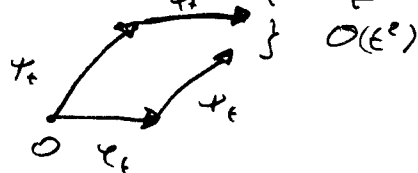
for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  ( $C^\infty$ -function)

Geometric description of  $[X, Y]$ :

$\varphi_t$  flow of  $\vec{X}$      $\psi_t$  flow of  $\vec{Y}$

assume that  $M = U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open set  
(i.e. fix coordinates)

then  $\varphi_t \psi_t(0) - \psi_t \varphi_t(0) = \mathcal{O}(t^2)$



$$[X, Y](0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_t \psi_t(0) - \psi_t \varphi_t(0)}{t^2}$$

How to compute commutator in coordinates:

$x_1, \dots, x_j$ ? Use the rules

$$- \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right] = 0$$

$$- [X, Y+Z] = [X, Y] + [X, Z]$$

$$- [X, fY] = X(f) \cdot Y + f [X, Y] \quad \text{another Leibniz rule}$$

and (the equivalent one)

$$- [fX, Y] = f [X, Y] - Y(f)X.$$

Another Leibniz rule

$$X(f \cdot g) = X(f) \cdot g + f \cdot X(g)$$

serves as a definition for derivations in an abstract algebra

$$\text{Der}(A) = \left\{ X \in \text{Hom}(A, A) : \forall a, b \in A \right. \\ \left. X(ab) = X(a) \cdot b + a \cdot X(b) \right\}$$

$$\text{Der}(C^\infty(M)) = \text{vector fields.}$$

Show that if  $A$  has a unit then  
 $X(1) = 0$  for all  $X \in \text{Der}(A)$

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Prop  $\otimes$  if  $X, Y \in \text{Der}(A)$   $X, Y: A \rightarrow A$

then  $X \circ Y - Y \circ X$  is a derivation  $\square$

Proof Compute  $X \circ Y(fg) - Y \circ X(fg)$  by definition  $\square$

Corollary  $\text{Der}(A)$  is a Lie algebra  
(sub Lie-algebra of  $\text{Hom}(A, A)$ )

Remark To define  $\text{Der}(A)$  one does not need associativity. The proposition ( $\otimes$ ) also holds.

Example:  $\text{Der}(\mathbb{O}) =: \mathfrak{so}_2$   
it is an exceptional Lie algebra.

### Lie Algebra of a Lie group.

We have identified  $T_x G$  with left invariant vectors.  $\lambda \in T_x G \mapsto V_\lambda$

- commutator of left invariant vector fields is left invariant (because  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  does not depend on choice of coordinates)
- for a homomorphism  $G \xrightarrow{\varphi} H$   
we have a map of tangent spaces  $T_x G \xrightarrow{D\varphi_x} T_x H$   
 $\varphi_* := (D\varphi)_x$  is a map of Lie algebras  
 $\varphi_* [\lambda, \mu] = [\varphi_* \lambda, \varphi_* \mu]$  for  $\lambda, \mu \in T_x G$ .

## Notation

Lie algebra associated to  $G$   
is denoted by  $L(G)$  or  $\mathfrak{g}$  (gotric)

Proposition  $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R}) = M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  with usual  
 $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C}) = M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  commutator

Proof  $\exp(tA) \cdot \exp(tB) - \exp(tB) \exp(tA) =$   
 $(1 + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2} + \dots)(1 + tB + \frac{t^2 B^2}{2} + \dots) - (1 + tB + \frac{t^2 B^2}{2} + \dots)(1 + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2} + \dots)$   
 $= (1 + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2} + \dots) + tB + t^2 AB + \dots - (1 + tB + \frac{t^2 B^2}{2} + \dots) + tA + t^2 BA + \dots =$   
 $= t^2 (AB - BA) + \dots \quad \square$

Corollary For any matrix group  
 $\exp(X)$  is the usual  $\exp(X) = 1 + X + \frac{X^2}{2} + \dots$