

Summary




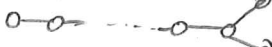
- Classification of root systems
 - Dynkin diagrams
 - positive roots
 - structure of irred. root system.




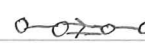

• Dynkin diagrams

Goal: classify irred. root system (E, R)

(E : Euclidean sp. $R \subset E$ finite, \dots)

by the Dynkin diagrams

- A_n 
 - B_n 
 - C_n 
 - D_n 
- } n : number of vertices

- E_6  E_7  E_8 
- F_4  , • G_2 

(Rem this will give a classification of simple Lie algs over \mathbb{C})

$$A_n \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{sl}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}), \quad B_n \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{so}_{2n+1}(\mathbb{C}), \quad C_n \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$$

$$D_n \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{so}_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$$

• Positive roots

\mathfrak{g} : simple Lie alg over \mathbb{C} , \mathfrak{h} : Cartan subalg
 $E = \mathbb{R}\Lambda + \mathbb{R}R$, $R = \{\alpha : \text{root}\}$. ($\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus (\bigoplus_{\alpha \in R} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha})$)
 $E \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \cong \mathfrak{h}^* \oplus \dots$

We want say which part of \mathfrak{g} is "uppertriangular"
 (\mathfrak{h} is "diagonal", \dots)

concretely: take $\ell: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ linear which is in
 "general position": $\ker \ell \cap R = \emptyset$.

and call $R^+ = \{\alpha \in R : \ell(\alpha) > 0\}$ positive roots
 $R^- = \{\alpha \in R : \ell(\alpha) < 0\}$ negative roots

$\alpha \in R^+$ is simple if $\nexists \beta, \gamma \in R^+$ s.t. $\alpha = \beta + \gamma$.

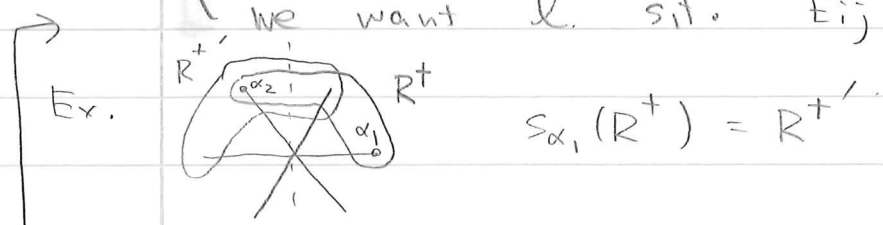
Facts 1 any other $\ell' \rightsquigarrow R^{+'} = m(R^+)$ for $\exists m \in W$
 2* simple pos. roots form a basis of Λ_R (& E)
 (*prove later) $\sum^* (\alpha, \beta) \leq 0$ ($\Rightarrow \pm \frac{\sqrt{d}}{2}, d=0,1,2,3$)

Ex. $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{C})$ $\mathfrak{h} = \{X \in \mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{C}) : \text{diag}\}$ EM 11.1
 $\mathfrak{h}_0 = \langle H_i = E_{ii} - E_{i+1, i+1} : i = 1, \dots, n-1 \rangle \mathbb{R}$
 $E = \mathfrak{h}_0^*$ $\mathfrak{h}_0 \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_0 = \langle E_{ii} : i = 1, \dots, n \rangle \mathbb{R}$
 $E \xleftarrow{\text{res.}} \tilde{E} = \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_0^* = \langle L_i : L_i(E_j) = \delta_{ij} \rangle$

in E , we have $L_1 + \dots + L_n = 0$ (conv. to trace)

$r_1 > r_2 > \dots > r_{n-1} > 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \ell(L_i) = r_i & (i < n) \\ \ell(L_n) = -(r_1 + \dots + r_{n-1}) \end{cases}$

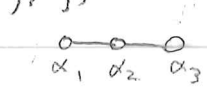
$\mathfrak{h}_R = \{L_i - L_j : i \neq j\}$ $L_i - L_j \leftrightarrow E_{ij}$
 we want ℓ s.t. E_{ij} ($i < j$) become pos.



generally $|R^{+'} \setminus R^+| = k \Rightarrow \exists w = S_{\alpha_1} \dots S_{\alpha_k}$ s.t. $w(R^+) = R^{+'}$

$L_i - L_{i+1}$ simple pos. root
 $\leftrightarrow E_{i, i+1}$ "just above diagonal"

How to draw Dynkin diag.

- Vertices : simple pos. roots $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$
- $\frac{(\alpha_i, \alpha_j)}{\sqrt{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)} \sqrt{(\alpha_j, \alpha_j)}} = \frac{d}{2} \rightsquigarrow d$ edges between α_i & α_j
- (Ex.  $\Rightarrow (\alpha_i, \alpha_{i+1}) = -\frac{1}{2}, (\alpha_1, \alpha_3) = 0$
 (α_i, α_i)
- $d = 2, 3 \rightsquigarrow \begin{matrix} \alpha_i & \alpha_j \\ \alpha_i & \alpha_j \end{matrix}$ for $\|\alpha_i\| > \|\alpha_j\|$

Lem $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \quad \alpha = \pm \beta \quad p, q = \max \text{ s.t.}$

" α -string" $\beta - p\alpha, \beta - p\alpha + \alpha, \dots, \beta, \beta + \alpha, \dots, \beta + q\alpha$
are roots. Then $p + q \leq 3, \quad p - q = 2 \frac{(\alpha, \beta)}{(\alpha, \alpha)} \in \mathbb{Z}$

$B_2: \beta - \alpha, \beta, \beta + \alpha$

 $(n_{\beta, \alpha})$

Proof. $s_{\alpha} \in W$ reflects α -string. $\beta + q\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta - p\alpha$.

concretely $s_{\alpha}(\gamma) = \gamma - 2 \frac{(\alpha, \gamma)}{(\alpha, \alpha)} \alpha$

so $s_{\alpha}(\beta + k\alpha) = \beta - (n_{\beta, \alpha} + k)\alpha \quad p = n_{\beta, \alpha} + q$

With $\beta' = \beta - p\alpha: 3 \geq n_{\beta', \alpha} = p + q$

Prop $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \alpha = \pm \beta$

1) $(\alpha, \beta) > 0 \Rightarrow \alpha - \beta$ is a root

$(\alpha, \beta) < 0 \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta$ is a root

2) $(\alpha, \beta) = 0$ either $\begin{cases} \alpha \pm \beta \text{ are both roots} \\ \sim \text{are both not roots} \end{cases}$

Proof 1) γ root $\Leftrightarrow -\gamma = s_{\alpha}(\gamma)$ root

enough to show $(\alpha, \beta) > 0 \Rightarrow \beta - \alpha$ root.

But $s_{\alpha}(\beta) = \beta - n_{\beta, \alpha} \alpha \quad n_{\beta, \alpha} > 0$

" α -string" through β contains $\beta - \alpha$.

2) From Lem. $(\alpha, \beta) = 0$ means $p = q$.

$p = q = 0 \Rightarrow \beta \pm \alpha$ are not roots

$p = q > 0 \Rightarrow \beta \pm \alpha$ are roots \square

Cor α, β simple pos.

1) $\alpha - \beta$ ($\neq \beta - \alpha$) not root

2) $(\alpha, \beta) \leq 0$

Proof 1) from def of simplicity

$\because \alpha - \beta \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$ either $\alpha - \beta$ or $\beta - \alpha$ is pos

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2) Prop 1) and Cor 1).

Lem. simple pos. are lin. indep.

∴ They (belong to $Q(\alpha) > 0$
(have non-acute angles

Cor. simple pos. roots form a basis of E .

∴ gen. N, R^+ as semigrp.

$$R = R^+ \cup (-R^+)$$