

From Lie algebras to Lie groups

Exponential map: want to make sense of e^{tX}

suppose $G \subset GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ (matrix grp)

$\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ makes sense as a subspace of $M_n(\mathbb{R})$

(as img of $j_{\#} : T_e G \rightarrow T_e GL_n(\mathbb{R})$)

Q: given $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, does $e^{tX} = I_n + tX + \frac{t^2}{2}X^2 + \dots$ stay in G ?

A. YES, but we need some elaboration.

Example. $G = SO(n) = \{X \in GL_n(\mathbb{R}), X^t = -X, \det X = 1\}$

1. \mathfrak{g} is $\mathfrak{so}_n = \{X \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : X^t = -X\}$.

$$\because (I_n + \varepsilon X)^t (I_n + \varepsilon X) = I_n \pmod{\varepsilon^2}$$

$$\text{gives } \varepsilon(X^t + X) = 0 \Rightarrow X^t = -X$$

$$\det(I_n + \varepsilon X) = 1 + \varepsilon \operatorname{Tr} X + \dots = 0 \pmod{\varepsilon^2}$$

2. $X \in \mathfrak{so}_n \Rightarrow e^{sX} \in SO(n)$ for $s \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(e^{sX})^t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{s^k}{k!} X^k \right)^t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^k}{k!} \underbrace{(X^t)^k}_{-X} = e^{-sX}$$

$$\text{so } (e^{sX})^t = (e^{sX})^{-1}$$

$$\det(e^{sX}) = e^{\operatorname{Tr} sX} = e^0 = 1$$

Generally (for mfd's) \tilde{X} : vec. field on M .

$p \in M \Rightarrow \exists \varepsilon > 0, \exists ! \varphi : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$ s.t.

$$\varphi(0) = p, \quad \varphi'(t) = \tilde{X}_{\varphi(t)} \quad \left(\frac{df(\varphi(t))}{dt} = \tilde{X}_{\varphi(t)}(f) \right)$$

if $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, $\tilde{X}^{(r)} = ((L_g)_{\#} X)_g$ makes sense as a vec. field on $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$, $\varphi(t) = e^{tX}$ is a solution to above eq. ($p = e$)

\Rightarrow by uniqueness $\varphi(t) \in G$.

Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff formula

$$e^X e^Y = \exp\left(X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \frac{1}{12}[X, [X, Y]] + \dots\right)$$

... : terms from $[X, \sim]$ and $[Y, \sim]$.

to be precise : for $X, Y \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ small so that

$A = I_n - e^X e^Y$ small so that we can subst. it in

$$\log(1-a) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} a^k$$

then $Z = \log(I_n - A) = \sum (-1)^k \frac{A^k}{k}$ is

$Z = X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \dots$ convergent.

Application : Lem^a of $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R})$ Lie subalgs.

\exists neighborhood $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{g}$ of 0 s.t. $\exp(\Delta)\exp(\Delta) \subset \exp(\mathfrak{g})$

Prop. (8.41) : G Lie grp. $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$, $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ Lie subalgs.

then \exists Lie grp H , $H \xrightarrow{j} G$ inj. smooth

s.t. $\mathfrak{h} = j_{\#}(T_e H)$

Key point : assume $G \subset GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ for some n .

then $H =$ subgroup of $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ generated by $e^X, X \in \mathfrak{h}$.

1) Lem $\Rightarrow \exists$ neigh. $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R})$ of 0 s.t.

$$(\exp(\Delta \cap \mathfrak{h}_1) \cdot \exp(\Delta \cap \mathfrak{h}_2)) \cap \exp(\Delta) \subset \exp(\Delta \cap \mathfrak{h}_1)$$

2) H is a Lie grp. with neighborhood of $h \in H$

• coord from $\Delta \cap \mathfrak{h}_1 \subset \mathfrak{h}_1$ (open in $\mathbb{R}^k \cong \mathfrak{h}_1$)

• coord map $x \mapsto \exp(x) \cdot h$ \square

Thm. G, H Lie grps. $\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{h}$ their Lie algs.

G simply connected.

$\alpha : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ Lie alg hom

Then $\exists f : G \rightarrow H$ Lie grp hom, $f_{\#} = \alpha$.

Idea: $\alpha) f: G \rightarrow H$ hom $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma_f = \{(g, f(g)) : g \in G\}$
 $\subset G \times H$ subgrp.

Same with Lie algs. homs.

1) From $\alpha: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ hom \leadsto set subalgs $\mathcal{R}_\alpha = \{(x, \alpha(x))\}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ Lie grp K , inj. hom $K \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} G \times H$
 Prop. with $\tilde{f}_\#(\mathcal{R}_\alpha) = \mathcal{R}_\alpha$

2) $K \cong G$ induced by (proj to G) $\circ \tilde{f}$.

Corresp. map is Lie alg iso \Rightarrow local homeo.

G simply connected \Rightarrow must be homeo.

3) f is given by (proj to H) $\circ \tilde{f}$ up to $K \cong G$,

Conseq. if G, G' have isom. Lie algs &

G simply conn. $\exists G \xrightarrow{f} G'$ hom, local homeo.

(so $G' = G / \ker f$).

conversely $\Gamma \triangleleft G$ discrete, G conn.

($\Gamma \triangleleft Z(G)$) by looking at $\text{Ad}_G(\gamma) \in \Gamma$ (discr.)
 conn.

G/Γ has same Lie alg as G .

Rem. more univ. approach to BCH formula

$H = \mathbb{C}\langle X, Y \rangle$ ring of noncomm. polynomials.

Hopf algebra by $\Delta(X) = X \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes X, \Delta(Y) = Y \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes Y$

Free Lie algebra on two generators

$\mathfrak{f}_2 = \{Z \in H : \Delta(Z) = Z \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes Z\} \ni X, Y, XY - YX, \dots$

e^X, e^Y make sense in the degree completion of H

and $Z = X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \frac{1}{12}[X, [X, Y]] + \dots$

and we have $e^X e^Y = e^Z, Z \in \mathfrak{f}_2$

Def. a finite dimensional rep. of \mathfrak{g} is given by

- fin. dim vec. sp. V ($\cong \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n)

- Lie algebra hom. $\mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathfrak{gl}(V) = \{T \in \text{End}(V)\}$
 $[\pi, \sigma] = \pi\sigma - \sigma\pi$

i.e. collection of lin. transforms. π_x for $x \in \mathfrak{g}$

$$\pi_{[x, y]} = [\pi_x, \pi_y]$$

Examples.

1. adjoint representation: $V = \mathfrak{g}$, $\pi_x Y = [x, Y]$

$$\pi_{[x, y]} Z = [\pi_x, \pi_y] Z \Leftrightarrow \text{Jacobi identity.}$$

2. $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2 \mathbb{C}$, $V_n = \langle x^n, x^{n-1}y, \dots, y^n \rangle_{\mathbb{C}\text{-span.}}$
($n+1$ -dim)

$$\pi_H^n = x \partial_x - y \partial_y, \quad \pi_E^n = x \partial_y, \quad \pi_F^n = y \partial_x$$

$$\text{for } H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{sl}_2$$

$$\text{i.e. } \pi_H^n x^{n-k} y^k = (n-2k) x^{n-k} y^k \dots$$

Rem. G simply connected (real) Lie grp.

rep. of $\mathfrak{g} \stackrel{\text{Th'm}}{\cong} \text{rep of } G$

without simpl. conn. rep of $\mathfrak{g} \cong \text{rep of univ. cov.}$