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$G = \text{Lie group}$.

$$\text{Lie}(G) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{left invariant} \\ \text{vector fields} \\ \text{on } G \end{array} \right\} \subset \text{Vect}(G).$$

Thm: There is a vector space isomorphism

$$\varepsilon: \text{Lie}(G) \xrightarrow{\cong} T_e G.$$

Pf: The map is $\varepsilon(X) = X_e$. Given

$v \in T_e G$, define $\theta(v): G \rightarrow TG$

$$\theta(v)_g = (dL_g)_e v.$$

Clearly θ is a section of TG . We need to show that it is smooth. We will do this at the end.

So $\Theta : T_e G \longrightarrow \text{Vect}(G)$. But for
 $v \in T_e G$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_{g^*} \Theta(v)_h &= (dL_g)_h \circ (dL_h)_e v \\ &= d(L_g \circ L_h)_e v \\ &= (dL_{gh})_e v \\ &= \Theta(v)_{gh}. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \Theta(v) \in \text{Lie}(G)$. Θ is inverse to ε

Since

$$\Theta \circ \varepsilon(x)_g = \Theta(x_e)_g = x_g.$$

$$\varepsilon \circ \Theta(v) = \varepsilon((dL_g)_e v) = v.$$

\square

Cor: Every (not nec. smooth) left invariant section of TG is smooth.

Pf: $\nu = X_e \Rightarrow X = \Theta(\nu)$ which is smooth. \square

Cor: Every Lie group admits a global frame.

Pf: Any basis for $T_e G$ does the trick. \square

Ex: $\cdot \text{Lie}(\mathbb{R}^n, +) \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ where the Lie bracket is trivial.

Here left translation

$$L_a(b) = a + b.$$

$\Rightarrow dL_a = \mathbb{1}$ in std coordinates.

So, $X = x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ is left invariant

iff $x^i \equiv \text{constants.} \Rightarrow$

$$\text{Lie}(\mathbb{R}^n, +) \cong \text{span} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \right\}.$$

• Similarly $\text{Lie}(S^1) \cong \mathbb{R} = \text{span} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right\}$.

These are all abelian.

Prop: There is a Lie alg isomorphism

$$\text{Lie}(GL(n, \mathbb{R})) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}).$$

Pf: First we spell out the isomorphism
of vector spaces

$$T_{\mathbb{1}} GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}).$$

Choose coordinates $\{x^i_j\}$ for $\mathbb{R}^{n^2} \cong \text{Mat}_n$.

Basis:

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i_j} \right\}_{j \downarrow i} \subset \text{Mat}_n \cong T_{\mathbb{1}} \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{R}).$$

Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^i_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i_j} \Big|_{\mathbb{1}} & \leftrightarrow & (A^i_j) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ T_{\mathbb{1}} \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{R}) & & \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \\ & & \parallel \\ & & \text{Mat}_n \end{array}$$

Let $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$. Given $A = (A^i_j) \in$

$\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R})$ we have the v.f.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(A) \Big|_x &= (dL_x)_{\mathbb{1}} A \\ &= (dL_x)_{\mathbb{1}} \left(A^i_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i_j} \Big|_{\mathbb{1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\underline{L_x}$ is the restriction

of a linear map, we have

$$dL_x = L_x.$$

Thus

$$\theta(A)_x = X \cdot A = X_j^i A_k^j \frac{\partial}{\partial X_k^i} \Big|_x$$

Now

$$[\theta(A), \theta(B)] = \theta(A \cdot B - B \cdot A).$$



Cor: If V is a f.d. vector space

then $\text{Lie}(\text{GL}(V)) \cong \mathfrak{gl}(V).$