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Eg: Equivalences:

{ conn. complex  
reductive algebraic  
groups }

{ compact  
Lie groups }

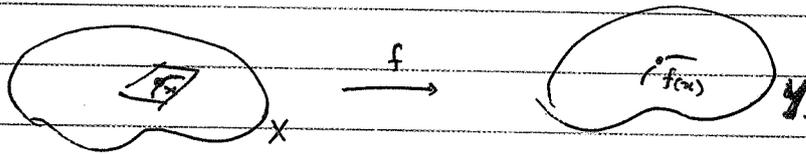
$$\begin{array}{ccc} GL_n(\mathbb{C}) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & U_n \\ \mathbb{C}^\times, \mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{C}^\times & & S^1, \textcircled{e} \end{array}$$

{ groups that  
also "spaces" }  $\longrightarrow$  { Lie Algebras }

$$GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathfrak{gl}_n = M_n(\mathbb{C})$$

Today: { reductive  
Lie algebras }  $\longrightarrow$  {  $\mathbb{Z}$  reflection  
group  $(W_0, h_2^*)$  }

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a morphism of spaces, this gives  
 $df: T_x(X) \rightarrow T_{f(x)}(Y)$  for  $x \in X$   
a map between tangent spaces.



So, when you have a map between spaces, we also get a map between tangent spaces.

Let  $G$  be a <sup>Lie</sup> group.  $G$  acts on  $G$  by conjugation

$$I_{ng}: G \rightarrow G \quad \text{for } g \in G.$$
$$h \mapsto ghg^{-1}$$

So,  $G$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e(G)$  by the Adjoint action

$Ad_g: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$	$\mathfrak{g} = Lie(G)$ Lie algebra of $G$ .
$Ad_g = d(I_{ng})$	

Example  $G = GL_n(\mathbb{C})$  has Lie algebra  
 $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C}) = \{ x \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) \}$  with

exponential map  $\exp : \mathfrak{gl}_n \rightarrow GL_n$   
 $x \mapsto e^x$  where  
 $tx \mapsto e^{tx}$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

~~How does  $e^{tx}$  acts on  $G$  (conjugation action)~~

How does  $G$  act on  $\mathfrak{g}$  (Adjoint action)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inj}(e^{tx}) &= g e^{tx} g^{-1} = g \left( 1 + tx + \frac{t^2 x^2}{2!} + \dots \right) g^{-1} \\ &= e^{t(gxg^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\text{Adj}(x) = gxg^{-1}$ ; i.e.  $\text{Adj} : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$   
 $x \mapsto gxg^{-1}$

Note that  $SO_n, O_n, Sp_n, U_n, \dots$  are subgroups of  $GL_n$ . So, we can work out the action of these groups.

$G$  acts on  $G$  by conjugation.

$G$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}$  by Adjoint action. (so  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a  $G$ -module)

Let  $M$  be a  $G$ -module;  $M$  is a vector space and  $G$  acts on  $M$ . Let

$$\rho : G \rightarrow GL(M) = \text{End}(M)$$

$$g \mapsto \rho(g)$$

be the corresponding representation. This gives.

$$d\rho : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(M) = \text{End}(M)$$

a representation of Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Abusing notation  $\rho'' = d\rho$ .

$$f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(M)$$

$$x \mapsto \rho(x)$$

$$\rho : G \rightarrow GL(M)$$

$$\text{where } e^{tx} \mapsto \rho(e^{tx}) = e^{t\rho(x)}$$

where  $\rho(x)$  is the element of the Lie algebra corresponding to the one dimensional parameter subgroup  $\rho(e^{tx})$  (lying inside  $GL(M)$ )

So,  $M$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module.

So,  $\mathfrak{g}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}$  by adjoint action:

$$\text{ad}_g : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g} \quad \text{for } g \in G$$

coming from  $\text{Ad}_{e^{ty}} : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$   
 $x \mapsto e^{ty} x e^{-ty}$

Claim:  $\text{ad}_y : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$   
 $x \mapsto [y, x] = yx - xy$

Because:  $\text{Ad}_{e^{ty}}(x) = e^{ty} x e^{-ty} = (1 + ty + \frac{t^2 y^2}{2!} + \dots) x (1 - ty + \frac{t^2 y^2}{2!} + \dots)$

$$= x + t(yx - xy) + \frac{t^2}{2!} (y^2 x + 2yxy + xy^2) + \dots$$

$$= \text{Id}(x) + t \text{ad}_y(x) + \frac{t^2}{2!} (\text{ad}_y)^2(x) + \dots$$

Since,  $(\text{ad}_y)^2(x) \pm \text{ad}_y([y, x]) = [y, [y, x]] = [y, yx - xy]$   
 $= y(yx - xy) - (yx - xy)y$   
 $= y^2 x - 2yxy + xy^2$

So,  $\text{Ad}_{e^{ty}}(x) = e^{t \text{ad}_y}(x)$

### Summary

$G$  acts on  $G$  by conjugation  $\text{In}_g : G \rightarrow G : k \rightarrow gkg^{-1}$   
 $G$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}$  by Adjoint action  $\text{Ad}_g : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g} : x \rightarrow gxg^{-1}$   
 $\mathfrak{g}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}$  by adjoint action  $\text{ad}_y : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  for  $g \in G$   
 $: x \rightarrow [y, x]$

Let  $M$  be a  $G$ -module. ( $M$  is also a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module)

The dual to  $M$  is

$$M^* = \text{Hom}(M, \mathbb{C}) = \{ \varphi : M \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \varphi \text{ is linear} \}$$

with  $G$  action and  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action

$$(y\varphi)(m) = \varphi(g^{-1}m) \quad \text{for } g \in G, m \in M.$$

$$(x\varphi)(m) = \varphi(-xm) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathfrak{g}, m \in M$$

since  $(e^{xt})^{-1} = e^{-tx} = e^{t(-x)}$

So, we get

$\mathfrak{g}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  by coadjoint action

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Tori and Cartan Subalgebras.

Let  $G$  be an algebraic group. A torus in  $G$  is a subgroup  $H$  isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}^* \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}^* \cong GL_1 \times \dots \times GL_1$ .

Let  $K$  be a compact Lie group. A torus in  $K$  is a subgroup  $T$  isomorphic to  $S^1 \times \dots \times S^1 \cong U_1 \times \dots \times U_1$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra. An abelian subalgebra is a subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  such that

$$[h_1, h_2] = 0 \quad \text{for } h_1, h_2 \in \mathfrak{h}$$

(if  $\mathfrak{h} \in \mathfrak{gl}_n$  then  $0 = [h_1, h_2] = h_1 h_2 - h_2 h_1$  means  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  commute)

A Cartan subalgebra is a maximal abelian subalgebra

Examples: A maximal torus in  $GL_n$  is

$$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \mid x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{C}^* \right\}$$

if we want to get the other we can just conjugate it (Sylow's thm)

A Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  is

$$\mathfrak{h} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & h_n \end{pmatrix} \mid h_i \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

$$\mathfrak{h} = \text{Lie}(H)$$

$$e^{\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & h_n \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The only way we know to get information about  $G$  is via  $H$ .

Irreducible representations of  $H$

(All irreducible representations of a commutative algebra are 1-dimensional (over  $\mathbb{C}$ ))

(equiv to Jordan Normal Form)

The irreducible (rational) representations of  $H$  are

$$X^M = X^{M_1 \varepsilon_1 + \dots + M_n \varepsilon_n} = X^{M_1 \varepsilon_1} \dots X^{M_n \varepsilon_n} = (X^{\varepsilon_1})^{M_1} \dots (X^{\varepsilon_n})^{M_n}$$

where  $M_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

and

$$X^{\varepsilon_i} : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \cdot \text{GL}_1(\mathbb{C}) \quad \Bigg| \quad X^M : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto x_i \quad \Bigg| \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto x_1^{M_1} \dots x_n^{M_n}$$

The irreducible representations of  $\mathfrak{h}$  are

$$\mu = \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} = \mathfrak{gl}_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & h_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \mu_1 h_1 + \dots + \mu_n h_n$$

so that  $\mu = \mu_1 \varepsilon_1 + \dots + \mu_n \varepsilon_n$  with  $\varepsilon_i : \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & h_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto h_i$$

So,  $\mathfrak{h}^* = \{ \text{linear maps } \mu : \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \}$  is the set of irred reps of  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

Toward Weyl groups

Let  $M$  be a  $G$ -module.  $H \subseteq G$  so  $H$  acts on  $M$ . i.e.  $M$  is an  $H$ -module (and an  $\mathfrak{h}$ -module).

Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  (an irreducible representation of  $\mathfrak{h}$ ). The  $\mu$ -weight space of  $M$  is:

$$M_\mu = \{ m \in M \mid \text{for each } t \in H, t \cdot m = X^\mu(t) m \}$$

$$= \{ m \in M \mid \text{for each } h \in \mathfrak{h}, h \cdot m = \mu(h) m \}$$

i.e.  ~~$\mathfrak{h}$~~  acts on  $m$  as eigenvectors of  $H$  &  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

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The generalized  $\mu$ -weight space of  $M$  is

$$M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}} = \left\{ m \in M \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for each } t \in \mathbb{H}, (t - X(t))^l m = 0 \\ \text{for some } l \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ m \in M \mid \text{for each } (h - \mu(h))^l m = 0 \text{ for some } l \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \right\}$$

Basically we add in Jordan normal form as well.

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} \mu & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \mu \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mu & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \mu \end{pmatrix} \right)^l m = 0$$

$$M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}} \neq 0 \Rightarrow M_{\mu} \neq 0 \quad M = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*} M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}}$$

(Jordan normal form)

A weight of  $M$  is  $\mu$  such that that  $M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}} \neq 0$

We will try to understand  $M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}}$  by understanding its weight.

Question: What are the weights of the adjoint representations.

$$\mathfrak{g} \text{ acts on } \mathfrak{g} : \mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{g}_0} = \left\{ x \in \mathfrak{g} \mid [h, x] = 0(h)x \quad \forall h \in \mathfrak{h} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ x \in \mathfrak{g} \mid [h, x] = 0 \quad \forall h \in \mathfrak{h} \right\}$$

$$= \mathfrak{h}$$

" $\supseteq$ "  $\mathfrak{h}$  commutes with everything in  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

" $\subseteq$ "  $\mathfrak{h}$  is maximal.

The roots (or root system) of  $\mathfrak{g}$  are the non-zero weights of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

The Weyl group of  $G$  is

$$W_0 = N(H)/H \quad \text{where } N(H) = \left\{ n \in G \mid n H n^{-1} = H \right\} \supseteq H$$

$N$  is the stabilizer of the maximal abelian subgroup  $H$ .

(the "interesting part" is  $N(H)$ )

$W_0$  acts on  $H$  by  $nhn^{-1} = h^*$  for  $n \in N(H)$   $h \in H$

$\Rightarrow W_0$  acts on  $\mathfrak{h}$

$\Rightarrow W_0$  acts on  $\mathfrak{h}^*$

If  $M$  is a  $G$ -module, then  $N(H)$  acts on  $M$  and

$$w: M_{\mu} \longrightarrow M_{w\mu}, \quad w \in W_0 \quad (1)$$

$$M = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*} M_{\mu}^{\text{gen}} \quad (2)$$

(1), & (2) are tools for study representations. So, if we understand (1) & (2) we know everything about  $M$ .