

Representation Theory Lecture 6

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Linear algebra Theorem 1:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 9 \\ -2 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{x_{12}(-3)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -23 \\ 1 & 0 & 9 \\ -2 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{x_{23}(\frac{1}{2})} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -23 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & 7 \\ -2 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{x_{12}(\frac{2}{3} \cdot 2)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{28}{3} - 23 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & 7 \\ -2 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{w_0} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 & -4 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{41}{3} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{h_1(\frac{1}{2})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{41}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{h_2(\frac{-2}{3})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{14}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{41}{3} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{h_3(\frac{-3}{41})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{14}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{x_{12}(\frac{-3}{2})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{14}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{x_{13}(-9)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{14}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{x_{23}(\frac{14}{3})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_{23}(\frac{14}{3}) x_{13}(-9) x_{12}(\frac{-3}{2}) h_3(\frac{-3}{41}) h_2(\frac{-2}{3}) h_1(\frac{-1}{2}) w_0 x_{12}(\frac{4}{3}) x_{23}(\frac{1}{2}) x_{12}(-3) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 9 \\ -2 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$x_{12}(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c & 0 \\ & 1 & 0 \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad x_{13}(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & c \\ & 1 & 0 \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad x_{23}(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & 1 & c \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad h_1(c) = \begin{pmatrix} c & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad h_2(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & c & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad h_3(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & c \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem 1 The group $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ is presented by generators

$x_{ij}(c)$, for $c \in \mathbb{C}$ and $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $i \neq j$,

$h_i(c)$, for $c \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ and $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$w \in S_n$

with relations

S_n is a subgroup of $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$,

$$h_i(c)h_i(d) = h_i(cd) \quad \text{and} \quad h_i(c)h_j(d) = h_j(d)h_i(c)$$

$$wh_i(c)w^{-1} = h_{w(i)}(c) \quad \text{and} \quad wx_{ij}(c)w^{-1} = x_{w(i), w(j)}(c)$$

and

$$x_{ij}(c_1)x_{ij}(c_2) = x_{ij}(c_1 + c_2)$$

$$x_{ij}(c_1)x_{kl}(c_2) = x_{kl}(c_2)x_{ij}(c_1), \quad \text{if } i \neq k \text{ and } j \neq l$$

$$x_{ij}(c_1)x_{je}(c_2) = x_{je}(c_2)x_{ij}(c_1)x_{ie}(c_2) \quad \text{if } i \neq e.$$

$$x_{ij}(c_1)x_{ki}(c_2) = x_{ki}(c_2)x_{ij}(c_1)x_{kj}(-c_2) \quad \text{if } j \neq k$$

and

$$x_{ij}(c)x_{ji}(-c^{-1})x_{ij}(c) = h_j(-c)h_i(c)s_{ij}$$

where

$$s_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} & & i & & \\ & & & j & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ i & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ j & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ is a complex algebraic group.

Our favourite algebraic group is $\mathbb{C}^x = GL_1(\mathbb{C})$.

Wouldn't it be nice if $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ was generated by subgroups isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^x ?

~~$$\mathbb{C}^x = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^x, GL_n(\mathbb{C}))$$~~

Let T be a maximal subgroup isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^x \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}^x$.

$$T = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} c_1 & & & 0 \\ & c_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & c_n \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subseteq GL_n(\mathbb{C})$$

Note: T is the subgroup of $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ generated by $h_1(c_1), \dots, h_n(c_n)$ for $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{C}^x$.

Then the normalizer of T in $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ is

$$N = \left\{ n \times n \text{ with exactly one nonzero entry} \right. \\ \left. \text{in each row and each column} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & c_1 & 0 \\ c_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_3 \\ 0 & c_4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{C}^x \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} c_1 & & & 0 \\ & c_2 & & \\ & & c_3 & \\ 0 & & & c_4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{C}^x \right\}$$

$$= T \cdot S_n$$

$$\text{So } S_n = N/T.$$

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Then the subgroups

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$$U^+ = \langle x_{ij}(c) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n, c \in \mathbb{C} \rangle$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c_{12} & c_{13} & c_{14} \\ 0 & 1 & c_{23} & c_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \times n \text{ unipotent} \\ \text{upper triangular} \\ \text{matrices} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$U^- = \langle x_{ji}(c) \mid 1 \leq j < i \leq n, c \in \mathbb{C} \rangle$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c_{21} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & 1 & 0 \\ c_{41} & c_{42} & c_{43} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \times n \text{ unipotent} \\ \text{lower triangular} \\ \text{matrices} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$B = \langle x_{ij}(c), h_i(d) \mid \begin{array}{l} i, j, l \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ i < j, c \in \mathbb{C}, d \in \mathbb{C}^\times \end{array} \rangle$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \times n \text{ upper triangular} \\ \text{matrices} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & & * \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ & & * \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

and $B = TU^+$ and $U^+ = [B, B]$

where

$$[B, B] = \{ [b_1, b_2] \mid b_1, b_2 \in B \}$$

with $[x, y] = xyx^{-1}y^{-1}$ (the commutator of x and y).

WARNING: This bracket is not a Lie algebra bracket.