

This week Relations between Lie groups & Lie algebras

Last Time

$\exp : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \subseteq M_n(\mathbb{R})$  likewise  $\phi$

Today The general exponential map

Propn Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold,  $X$  a vector field on  $M$ . Then for sufficiently small  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a path  $\gamma : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \rightarrow M$  st  $\gamma(0) = m$  and  $\gamma_* \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right) (t) = X_{\gamma(t)}$  for  $t \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ .

$\gamma(t)$  is an integral curve of the vector field.

PF In local coordinates let  $X = \sum a_i(m) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = \sum a_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ .

If we pick some smooth path  $\gamma(t)$  st  $\gamma(0) = m$  w/ coordinates  $(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$ . Then for  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ ,

$$\gamma_* \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right) (t) f = \frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \gamma) = \sum x_i'(t) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

but  $X_{\gamma(t)} f = \sum a_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$

$\Rightarrow$  we want a solution to the first order system

$$x_i'(t) = a_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \quad x_i(0) = 0 \quad i=1, \dots, n.$$

It is a standard result from ode that this system has a unique solution. Moreover, if the vector field depends on a smooth parameter, the resulting family of integral curves is smooth.

In general, integral curves only exist on a small nbhd, (2)

Cases when we can always define  $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ :

- $M$  is compact
- $M$  is a Lie group

Thm Let  $G$  be a Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g}$  its Lie algebra.  $\exists$  a map  $\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$  which is a local diffeomorphism near  $0 \in \mathfrak{g}$  st  $\forall X \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $t \mapsto \exp(tX)$  is an integral curve for  $X$ . Moreover  $\exp((t+s)X) = \exp(tX)\exp(sX)$ .

PF Let  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ . For some  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\exists \gamma: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow G$  for  $X$  w/  $\gamma(0) = e$ .

First, observe that if  $\gamma: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow G$  is an integral curve on an interval containing  $0$ , <sup>for fixed  $s$</sup>   $t \mapsto \gamma(st)$  and  $t \mapsto \gamma(s)\gamma(t)$  are both integral curves, in the second case since  $X$  is left invt, w/  $0 \rightarrow \gamma(s)$  in both cases. By uniqueness  $\gamma(st) = \gamma(s)\gamma(t)$ .

Next, let us show we can extend  $\gamma$  to  $(-\frac{3}{2}\varepsilon, \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon)$  and therefore to all of  $\mathbb{R}$ . We extend by 
$$\gamma(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma(\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\gamma(t - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) & -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{3\varepsilon}{2} \\ \gamma(-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\gamma(t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) & -\frac{3\varepsilon}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \end{cases}$$

By the previous observation this is consistent on regions of overlap.

Let  $\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$  where  $\gamma$  is an integral curve for  $X$ ,  $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$ , w/  $X \mapsto \gamma(t)$

$\gamma(0) = e$ . Note that if  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t \mapsto \gamma(ts)$  is an integral curve for  $sX$ , so  $\exp(sX) = \gamma(s)$ . This map is smooth near the origin by the last observation.



Remark

•  $t \mapsto \exp(tX)$  is a homomorphism for fixed  $X$ .

•  $\exp(X+Y) \neq \exp(X)\exp(Y)$  in general.

Remark

•  $\gamma(t)$  integral curve for  $X$

•  $\lambda(t)$  integral curve for  $Y$

•  $(\gamma\lambda)'(0) = X+Y$ , but does not continue left-invariantly in general.

For matrices

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(A)\exp(B) &= \left( I + A + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \left( I + B + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \\ &= \underbrace{I + A + B + AB + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \dots}_X \end{aligned}$$

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

First order terms  $A+B$

Second order terms  $AB + \frac{A^2}{2} + \frac{B^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(A^2 + AB + BA + B^2) = \frac{1}{2}(AB - BA) = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]$

Higher order terms are also expressible in terms of commutators  
(the Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff Formula)

Likewise in general if we write

$$\exp(X)\exp(Y) = \exp(u(X, Y))$$

We have a Taylor series

$$u(X, Y) = X + Y + \underbrace{\lambda(X, Y)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{bilinear,} \\ \text{skew-symmetric}}} + \dots$$

order  $\geq 3$  terms

and in fact  $\lambda(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}[X, Y]$ .

Propn Let  $G, H$  be Lie groups w/ Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{h}$ . Let  $F: G \rightarrow H$

be a homomorphism. Then  $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{dF} & \mathfrak{h} \\ \exp \downarrow & & \downarrow \exp \\ G & \xrightarrow{F} & H \end{array}$  commutes.

PF  $F$  takes an integral curve for a left-invt vector field  $X$  on  $G$  to an integral curve for  $FX$  the push-forward.

Interaction w/ the adjoint maps.

Recall  $Ad_{\mathfrak{g}}: G \rightarrow G$   
 $h \mapsto ghg^{-1}$

This induces a representation  $Ad: G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g})$   
 $g \mapsto (Ad_g)^*$

Defn A representation of Lie algebra is a Lie algebra homomorphism  $\pi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \text{End}(V)$   
 where  $V$  is a vector space. Lie algebra structure inherited from being an algebra.  
 $\pi([x, y]) = \pi(x)\pi(y) - \pi(y)\pi(x)$

Let  $ad: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathfrak{g})$  where  $ad(x)(y) = [x, y]$ .  
 $x \mapsto ad(x)$

Propn The representation of Lie algebras induced by  $Ad$  is  $ad$ .

PF Let  $x, Y \in \mathfrak{g} \cong T_e G$ . We have  $Ad(g)(Y)(F) = Y(F(ghg^{-1}))$  for  $F \in C^\infty(G)$ .

Let  $\gamma(t) = \exp^{tX}$ , so that  $\gamma'(0) = X$ . Then  $ad(x)(Y)$  is the local derivation  $F \mapsto \left. \frac{d}{dt} (Ad(\gamma(t))Y) \right|_{t=0} = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \frac{d}{ds} f(\gamma(t) \lambda(u) \gamma(t)) \right|_{t=0, u=0}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $u \mapsto e^{uY}$

Switching the derivatives we get  $\frac{d}{dt}(\gamma(t)\lambda(u)) \cdot \delta(-t) + \gamma(t) \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(\lambda(u)\delta(-t))$  (6)

$$f \mapsto \left. \frac{d}{du} \frac{d}{dt} (f(\gamma(t)\lambda(u)) \delta(-t)) \right|_{t=0, u=0}$$

$$= \left. \frac{d}{du} \frac{d}{dt} (f(\gamma(t)\lambda(u)) - f(\lambda(u)\delta(-t))) \right|_{t=0, u=0}$$

$$= XY(f) - YX(f)$$

$$= [X, Y](f)$$

The ultimate point is that the linearization of  $(ABA^{-1})$  at identity is  $AB - BA$ .

## Exponentiation and Submanifolds

The fundamental thems of Lie Theory are

Thm 1 For any real or complex Lie group, there is a bijection between connected Lie subgroups  $H \subseteq G$  and Lie subalgebras  $\mathfrak{h} \subseteq \mathfrak{g}$ , given by  $H \mapsto \mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{L}H$ .

Thm 2 If  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are Lie groups and  $G$  is connected & simply ctd, then  $\text{Hom}(G_1, G_2) = \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{g}_1, \mathfrak{g}_2)$ . (True over  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ )

Thm 3 Any finite-dim real or complex Lie algebra is isomorphic to a Lie algebra of a Lie group.

Corollary 1 For a real or complex finite dim Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , there is a unique (up to isomorphism) connected & simply ctd Lie group  $G$  w/  $\text{Lie}(G) = \mathfrak{g}$ . Any other ctd Lie group  $G'$  w/  $\text{Lie}(G') = \mathfrak{g}$  is  $G/\mathbb{Z}$  for  $\mathbb{Z}$  a discrete central subgroup.

We will prove some but not all of this.

Working backwards Lemma (\*) goes here

Corollary 1 Once we know Thm 2 and 3, we have for any  $g$  a connected & simply connected Lie group  $G$ . Given connected  $G'$  w/  $\text{Lie}(G') = g$  as well, there is a group homomorphism  $G \rightarrow G'$  which is locally an isomorphism. This is a covering map. Its kernel is a discrete central subgroup.

Thm 3 This relies on Ado's Thm: Any Lie algebra is isomorphic to a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{K})$ . Requires substantial structure theory.

Simplest case If the center of the Lie algebra is trivial, then

$$g \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(g)$$

$$x \mapsto \text{ad}(x) \neq 0$$

This plus theorem 2 gives the result.

Thm 2 Suppose we have a Lie algebra homomorphism  $F: g_1 \rightarrow g_2$ .

Let  $G = G_1 \times G_2$ . Its Lie algebra is  $g_1 \times g_2$ . Let  $h = \{ (x, F(x)) : x \in g_1, F(x) \in g_2 \}$

This is a Lie subalgebra since  $[(x, F(x)), (y, F(y))] = ([x, y], [F(x), F(y)]) = ([x, y], F([x, y]))$

There is a ctd Lie subgroup  $H \hookrightarrow G_1 \times G_2$ . Projecting to  $G_1$  gives a morphism of Lie groups  $\pi: H \rightarrow G_1$ , and  $\pi_*: h \rightarrow g_1$  is an isomorphism

So  $\pi$  is a covering map. But  $G_1$  is simply-ctd and  $H$  is ctd,

so  $\pi$  is an isomorphism. So  $\exists \pi^{-1}: G_1 \rightarrow H$ .

Then let  $\mathcal{E}: G_1 \xrightarrow{\pi^{-1}} H \hookrightarrow G_1 \times G_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} G_2$ . This is a morphism of Lie groups w/  $\mathcal{E}_* : \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_2$  given by the composition  $x \mapsto (x, F(x)) \mapsto F(x)$  (8)

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\* Lemma Let  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  be a morphism of ctd Lie groups w/  $f_*: T_e G_1 \rightarrow T_e G_2$  is an isomorphism. Then  $f$  is a covering map, and  $\text{Ker } f$  is a discrete central subgroup.

PF For a Lie group homomorphism, if  $f_*$  is an isomorphism at the identity, it is an isomorphism everywhere, so  $f$  is a local diffeo everywhere, hence a covering map. The preimage of the identity is necessarily discrete.

And it is also certainly normal, and discrete normal subgroups of connected

Lie groups are central via considering that for fixed  $h \in N$ ,  $G \rightarrow N$   
 $g \mapsto ghg^{-1}$

sends  $e \mapsto h$  and therefore  $g \mapsto h$  for all  $g \in G$ .

Thm 1 Relies on the theory of distributions.

Defn Let  $M$  be a smooth mfd;  $TM$  its tangent bundle. A d-dim'c distribution on  $M$  (also called a family) is a  $d$ -dimensional subbundle of  $TM$  - that is, a choice of a  $d$ -dimensional subspace  $\mathcal{D}_p \subseteq T_p M$  at every  $x$  st this choice is made smoothly. (I.e., for every  $p \in M$  there is a nbhd  $U$  and smooth vector fields  $X_1, \dots, X_d$  on  $U$  st for  $u \in U$  the vectors  $X_i(u) \in T_u(M)$  span  $\mathcal{D}_u$ .)

$X$  is subordinate to  $\mathcal{D}$  if  $X(p) \in \mathcal{D}_p$  for all  $p \in M$



$\mathcal{D}$  is involutive if whenever  $X, Y$  are subordinate to  $\mathcal{D}$ , then  $[X, Y]$  is subordinate to  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Defn An integral manifold of  $\mathcal{D}$  is a  $d$ -dim'l submanifold  $N \subseteq M$  s.t.  $\forall p \in N, T_p N = \mathcal{D}_p$ .

Question When is it possible to produce an integral manifold for  $\mathcal{D}$  locally/ globally?

Observation If we can always choose an integral mfd locally, then  $\mathcal{D}$  is involutive.

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Let  $U$  be an open set small enough that through each pt there is an integral submanifold  $N$ .

Let  $\mathcal{J} \in C^\infty(U)$  be the space of ftns constant on each  $N_p$ . Then  $X|_{N_p}$  is subordinate to  $\mathcal{D} \iff$

$X(j) = 0 \forall j \in \mathcal{J}$ . Certainly if  $X_j = 0, Y_j = 0, [X, Y]_j = 0$  as well. So  $[X, Y]$  subordinate to  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Thm (The Local Frobenius Thm) Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be a smooth  $d$ -dimensional involutive distribution. Then for each  $p \in M \exists$  a nbhd  $U$  of  $x$  and an integral mfd  $N$  of  $\mathcal{D}$  through  $x$  in  $U$ . If  $N'$  is another integral mfd through  $x$ , then  $N$  and  $N'$  coincide near  $x$ . That is, there is a nbhd  $V$  of  $x$  s.t.  $V \cap N = V \cap N'$ .

PF suffices to check the statement locally. Let  $M \approx \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $p=0$ .

Let  $X$  be a vector field nonvanishing at the origin. To prove the theorem for  $d=1$ , it suffices to check that  $\exists$  coordinates  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  w.r.t which  $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}$ .

PF of claim since  $X$  nonvanishing at  $0$ ,  $X(x_i) \neq 0$  at  $0$  for some coordinate for  $x_i$ . After possible permutation,  $X(x_n) \neq 0$ . So if we write

$$X = \sum a_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

we have  $a_n(0) \neq 0$ . We switch to coordinates  $\tilde{y}$  st  $(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}, 0) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0)$ .

For  $y_n \neq 0$ , consider the integral curve in the direction of  $X$ ,  $t \mapsto (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} x_i'(t) &= a_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \\ (x_1(0), \dots, x_n(0)) &= (u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, 0) \end{aligned}$$

for small  $u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}$ . For small enough  $u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}$ ,  $a_n(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, 0) \neq 0$  so this integral curve points away from (is transverse to) the plane  $x_n = 0$ . Choose  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  st

$$\begin{aligned} y_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) &= u_i \\ y_n(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) &= t \end{aligned} \quad i=1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1$$

Now  $\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial y_n} = a_i$ . So  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y_n} = \sum_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial y_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = \sum_i a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = X$ .

For  $d=1$  this finishes the result; just take lines in the  $n$ th coordinate direction.

For  $d>1$ , suppose we know that  $(d-1)$ -dim involutory distributions have local subflds. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_d$  be smooth vector fields st  $X_i(u)$  span  $P_u$  near  $0$ . We can assume  $X_d = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_n}$ . By assumption  $[X_d, X_i] = \sum_j g_{ij} X_j$  ( $i < d$ )