Exercise 42

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1 Part A

Let $E, F \in \mathcal{F}$. We can find some linear basis e_j, f_j s.t.

$$E_j = \operatorname{span}(e_j)$$
 and $F_j = \operatorname{span}(f_j)$

and the map g defined by $e_j \mapsto f_j$ is an element of G, and has the property that $g \cdot E = F$. We therefore see that the action of α is transitive.

2 Part B

From what we saw in Part A it is clear that the stabilizer is given by

$$P = \{ \operatorname{diag}(M_i) \mid M_i \in \operatorname{GL}(d_i, \mathbb{K}), j = 1, \dots, k \}.$$

Using the trivial global chart $\chi: \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \to G$ of G one can see (after a rearranging of the basis of \mathbb{R}^{n^2}) that P can be described by

$$P = \chi(\mathbb{R}^{n^2} \cap \{x_1 = \dots = x_l = 0\})$$

where the coordinates set to zero are the ones outside the diagonal blocks. It follows by definition that P is a submanifold of G, and applying Theorem 9.1 we conclude that P is a closed subset of G. Obviously P is a subgroup of G, hence a closed subgroup as required.

3 Part C

We can give \mathcal{F} a group structure by declaring $\phi(g) \star \phi(h) = \phi(gh)$. The product \star is well defined on the whole domain since from Part A it follows that ϕ is surjective, and it is defined in the right way to make ϕ a homomorphism of groups. We can then apply the isomorphism theorem for groups to conclude that such a bijection $\bar{\phi}$ is induced.

4 Part D

In view of Lemma 11.8, the condition (b) of Definition 12.2 is equivalent to the quotient A/M being Hausdorff. In item (c) we showed that this is not the case, hence the action of A on M is not of principal fiber bundle type.