Lie Algebras - Representation Theory of $sl(n;\mathbb{C})$

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Abstract

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1 Lie Groups

1.1 Introduction

General description of Lie Groups:

- 1. [4]
- 2. [5, Section 1.1]
- 3. [5, Section 1.6]

Basic definitions of Lie Groups:

- 1. [4]
- 2. [2, Section 1.1]
- 3. [2, Section 1.5]

1.2 Matrix Lie Groups

Matrix lie group examples: [2, Section 1.2]

Exponential of a matrix:

- 1. [2, Section 2.1]
- 2. [2, Section 2.2] Example 2.5

2 Lie Algebras

2.1 Introduction

Overview of Lie Algebras: [3]

Motivation for Lie Algebras: [1, Section 8.1]

2.2 Basic Definitions

Definitions and examples:

- 1. [1, Section 8.1]
- 2. [2, Section 3.1]

2.3 Lie Algebra of a Matrix Lie Group

Definitions and theorem: [2, Section 3.3]

Examples: [2, Section 3.4]

2.4 The Exponential Map

Define exponential map: [2, Section 3.7]

State theorems regarding exponential map: [2, Section 3.7]

Compute the exponential map onto SO(2): [5, Section 4.1]

2.5 Classification of Lie Algebras

[1, Chapter 9]

3 Representations of $sl(2;\mathbb{C})$

Discuss complexification of su(2) and that su(2) is isomorphic to so(3): [2, Section 4.6] Discuss physical significance of the representations:

- 1. [2, Section 4.6]
- 2. [4, Section 5]
- 3. [3, Section 4.4]

Basis of $sl(2; \mathbb{C})$: [2, Section 4.6]

Characterize irreducible representations: [1, Section 11.1]

4 Conclusion

Summarize key ideas here.

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