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### 0.1 Lie algebra of $U(n)$

#### 0.1.1 $U(n)$ forms a Lie group

#### 0.1.2 Lie algebra of $U(n)$

The Lie algebra of  $U(n)$  is defined as:

$$\mathfrak{u}(n) = \{X \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} | e^{tX} \in U(n) \forall t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

This is satisfied by the skew-Hermitian matrices where  $M = -M^*$ . Note that this means the diagonals are all 0 or pure imaginary.