

# Simple note for Lie algebra for SLAM

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## Abstract

This note is a simple review note for me.

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## 1 Preliminaries

**Definition 1.1** (Lie group). Lie group  $G$  is a smooth manifold with smooth group structure. Smooth group structure means that

- smooth group multiplication (composition)  $*$  :  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $(g, h) \mapsto gh$ ,
- smooth inverse map  $(\cdot)^{-1} : G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $g \mapsto g^{-1}$

**Definition 1.2** (Left group action). For any element  $g \in G$ , there is a unique diffeomorphism  $L_g : G \rightarrow G$  which is defined by, for any  $h \in G$ ,

$$L_g(h) = gh. \quad (1)$$

Here are building blocks of Lie groups.

**Theorem 1.1.** If  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are Lie groups, then the product space  $G_1 \times G_2$  is a Lie group.

**Theorem 1.2** (Catan). If  $H \leq G$  is both closed subspace and subgroup (closed subgroup), then  $H$  is a Lie group.

**Theorem 1.3.** If  $N \leq G$  is a closed normal subgroup, then  $G/N$  is a Lie group.

**Theorem 1.4.** The universal cover of a connected Lie group is a Lie group.

## 2 Examples

**Example 2.1.** Suppose that  $\mathbb{F}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

$$\mathrm{GL}(2, \mathbb{F}) = \{A : \det A \neq 0\} \supseteq \mathrm{O}(2) \text{ or } \mathrm{U}(2) \supseteq \mathrm{SO}(2, \mathbb{F}). \quad (2)$$

**Example 2.2.**

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : a > 0, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}. \quad (3)$$

## 3 Lie algebra

### Abstract

The Lie algebra is a linearization of a Lie group.

**Definition 3.1** (Lie algebra). The tangent space  $T_e G = (\mathfrak{g}, +, [\cdot, \cdot], \cdot)$  at identity with Lie bracket is the Lie algebra.

**Definition 3.2** (Lie bracket). Let  $(\mathfrak{g}, +, \cdot)$  be a finite dimensional vector space. A bilinear map  $[\cdot, \cdot] : \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  such that

1. **(anti-symmetry)**  $[x, x] = 0$  for any  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,

2. **(Jacobi identity)** For any  $x, y, z \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,

$$[x, [y, z]] + [y, [z, x]] + [z, [x, y]] = 0. \quad (4)$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume that  $V$  is a vector space. For any bilinear operation  $*$  :  $V \times V \rightarrow V$ ,

$$[x, y] := x * y - y * x \quad (5)$$

is to be a Lie bracket.

**Example 3.1.** For any vector space  $V$ ,  $\text{End}(V)$  has operations

1. **(addition)**

2. **(scalar multiplication)**

3. **(composition\*)**  $\rightarrow [f, g] := f \circ g - g \circ f$  is a Lie bracket.

If we define the Lie bracket by the way above, then  $\text{End}(V)$  is called the general Lie algebra and denoted  $\mathfrak{gl}(V)$ .

**Definition 3.3** (Liebniz rule). Denote  $D_x(y) := [x, y]$ . Then,  $D_x : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  is an adjoint map. Now let us rewrite the Jacobi identity as

$$D_x([y, z]) + D_y([z, x]) + D_z([x, y]) = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\iff D_x([y, z]) = -[y, [z, x]] - [z, [x, y]] \quad (7)$$

$$= [y, [x, z]] + [[x, y], z] \quad (8)$$

$$= [y, D_x(z)] + [D_x(y), z] = [D_x(y), z] + [y, D_x(z)]. \quad (9)$$

By the steps above, we call  $D_x(\cdot) = [x, \cdot]$  the defferentiation on Lie algebra.

### 3.1 Operations on Lie algebra

Consider a simple example  $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$  and its corresponding Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{gl}(\mathbb{R})$ . The definition of  $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$  is

$$\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid \det A \neq 0\} = f^{-1}(\mathbb{R} - \{0\}), \quad (10)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  is a polynomial on matrices. Hence, we guess the Lie group is not homeomorphic to Euclidean space. In this section, we will see some recipes of linearization (Lie algebra) of Lie group.

### 3.2 Exponential map and Logarithm map

**Definition 3.4** (Exponential map). Let  $G$  be a Lie group and  $\mathfrak{g}$  be its tangent space at  $e$ . The exponential map  $\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$  is defined by

$$\exp(X) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{X^n}{n!} \quad (11)$$

**Theorem 3.2** (Commutative diagram). Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow H$  be a group homomorphism between two Lie groups and  $\phi_* : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$  be its derivative at identity. Then,

$$\exp \circ \phi_* = \phi \circ \exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow H. \quad (12)$$

**Definition 3.5** (Logarithm map).  $\text{Log} : G \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  is the inverse map of the exponential map.

### 3.3 Operations on Lie algebra

Note that  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$  and  $(\mathfrak{g}, +, [\cdot, \cdot], \cdot_{\mathbb{R}}) \dots$  XXXX