

Symmetries, Fields and Particles  
Example sheet 2

1.  $g(t) = \text{Exp}(tx) \in G, t \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathcal{L}(G)$

$$\text{Exp}(tx) = 1 + tx + \frac{1}{2}(tx)^2 + \dots$$

$$g(t_1)g(t_2) = \text{Exp}(t_1x)\text{Exp}(t_2x) = \text{Exp}(t_2x)\text{Exp}(t_1x) = g(t_2)g(t_1)$$

as  $X$  commutes with itself (and by extension any power of itself).

$$g(t_1)g(t_2) = \text{Exp}(t_1x)\text{Exp}(t_2x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(t_1x)^i}{i!} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(t_2x)^j}{j!} = \sum_{i,j} \frac{t_1^i t_2^j x^{i+j}}{i! j!}$$

while

$$g(t_1+t_2) = \text{Exp}((t_1+t_2)x) = \sum_i \frac{(t_1+t_2)^i x^i}{i!} = \sum_{i,j \leq i} \frac{t_1^i t_2^j x^i}{i!} \binom{i}{j}$$

$$= \sum_{i,j \leq i} \frac{t_1^i t_2^j x^i}{i! j! (i-j)!} = \sum_{i,j} \frac{t_1^i t_2^j x^{i+j}}{i! j!} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{relabelling } j \rightarrow i \\ i-j \rightarrow j \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t_1)g(t_2) = g(t_1+t_2)$$

Curve defined a subgroup by the above:  $t=0$  as identity,  $t \mapsto -t$  inverse.

$g: t \mapsto g(t)$  is injective by definition onto the subgroup

$$U = \{g(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Show injectivity:

$$\text{assume } g(t_1) = g(t_2) \quad | \cdot g(-t_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t_1)g(t_1) = g(t_1 - t_1) = g(0) = e = g(t_2)g(t_1) = g(t_2 - t_1)$$

$$\text{but } \nexists t \neq 0 : g(t) = e \Rightarrow t_2 - t_1 = 0 \Rightarrow t_2 = t_1$$

Hence,  $g$  is bijective  $\Rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +)$  is isomorphic to the subgroup  $U$ .

$$2. \exp X \cdot \exp Y = (1 + X + \frac{1}{2}X^2 + \cancel{\dots})(1 + Y + \frac{1}{2}Y^2 + \cancel{\dots})$$

$$= 1 + \cancel{XY} + Y + XY + \frac{1}{2}X^2 + \frac{1}{2}Y^2 + \frac{1}{2}XY^2 + \frac{1}{2}X^2Y + \frac{1}{4}X^2Y^2 + \dots$$

~~$$\exp(X+Y) = \exp(X) + \frac{1}{2}[\exp(X), \exp(Y)] + \frac{1}{12}[\exp(X), [\exp(Y), \dots]] + \dots$$~~

$$= 1 + (X+Y) + \frac{1}{2}(X+Y)^2 + \frac{1}{2}XY - \frac{1}{2}YX + \frac{1}{2}XY^2 + \frac{1}{2}X^2Y + \frac{1}{4}X^2Y^2 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + (X+Y) + \frac{1}{2}(X+Y)^2 + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \frac{1}{6}(X+Y)^3$$

$$+\frac{1}{3}x^2y - \frac{1}{6}xyx - \frac{1}{6}yx^2 + \frac{1}{3}xy^2 - \frac{1}{6}yxy - \frac{1}{6}y^2x + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1 + (x+y) + \frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(x+y)^3 + \frac{1}{2}[x,y] + \cancel{\frac{1}{6}[x,y]} + \cancel{\frac{1}{6}xy} - \cancel{\frac{1}{6}yx^2} \\ &\quad + \cancel{\frac{1}{6}[x,y]y} + \cancel{\frac{1}{6}xy^2} - \cancel{\frac{1}{6}y^2x} + \dots + \frac{1}{12}x[x,y] - \frac{1}{12}[x,y]x + \frac{1}{4}x^2y - \frac{1}{4}yx^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{12}[x,y]y - \frac{1}{12}y[x,y] + \frac{1}{4}xy^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^2x + \dots \\ &= 1 + (x+y) + \frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(x+y)^3 + \frac{1}{2}[x,y] + \frac{1}{12}[x,[x,y]] - \frac{1}{12}[y,[x,y]] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}x^2y - \frac{1}{4}yxyx + \frac{1}{4}[x,y]x + \frac{1}{4}xy^2 - \frac{1}{4}yxy + \frac{1}{4}y[x,y] + \dots \\ &= 1 + (x+y) + \frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(x+y)^3 + \frac{1}{2}[x,y] + \frac{1}{12}[x,[x,y]] - \frac{1}{12}[y,[x,y]] \\ &\quad + \cancel{\frac{1}{4}[x,[x,y]]} + \frac{1}{4}(x+y)[x,y] + \frac{1}{4}[x,y](x+y) + \dots \\ &= \exp(x+y + \frac{1}{2}[x,y] + \frac{1}{12}[x,[x,y]] - \frac{1}{12}[y,[x,y]] + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

3.  $g(t) = \text{Exp}(it\sigma_1)$

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

as  $\sigma_1$  is diagonal

$$g(t) = \text{Exp}(it\sigma_1) = \begin{pmatrix} \exp(it) & 0 \\ 0 & \exp(-it) \end{pmatrix} \in SU(2)$$

Group manifold of  $SU(2)$  is  $S^3$ , thus subgroup of isomorphic to  $U(1)$ , hence described a  $S^1$  "slice" of  $S^3$ .

4.  $A \in SU(2)$

$$R(A)_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i A \sigma_j A^\dagger), \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 (\sigma_j)_{\alpha\beta} (\sigma_j)_{\gamma\delta} S_\gamma - 2 \delta_{\alpha\gamma} \delta_{\beta\delta} - \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\gamma\delta}$$

$$(R(A) R(A)^\dagger)_{ij} = R(A)_{ik} R(A)_{jk} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i A \sigma_k A^\dagger) \text{tr}_2(\sigma_j A \sigma_k A^\dagger)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\beta} A_{\rho\gamma} (\sigma_k)_{\gamma\delta} A_{\delta\alpha}^\dagger \right\} \left\{ (\sigma_j)_{\alpha\beta} A_{\rho\gamma} (\sigma_k)_{\gamma\delta} A_{\delta\alpha}^\dagger \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\beta} A_{\rho\gamma} A_{\delta\alpha}^\dagger (\sigma_j)_{\gamma\delta} A_{\delta\beta}^\dagger (\sigma_k)_{\eta\kappa} (\sigma_k)_{\eta\kappa} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\beta} A_{\rho\gamma} A_{\eta\alpha}^\dagger (\sigma_j)_{\gamma\delta} A_{\delta\beta}^\dagger - \frac{1}{4} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\beta} A_{\rho\gamma} A_{\eta\alpha}^\dagger (\sigma_j)_{\eta\kappa} A_{\delta\beta}^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\rho\sigma} \delta_{\alpha\beta} (\sigma_j)_{\epsilon\epsilon} - \frac{1}{4} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\rho} \delta_{\alpha\rho} (\sigma_i)_{\epsilon\epsilon} \delta_{\epsilon\epsilon} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\rho} (\sigma_j)_{\rho\alpha} - \frac{1}{4} (\sigma_i)_{\alpha\alpha} (\sigma_i)_{\epsilon\epsilon} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i \sigma_j) = \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(i\epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k)} + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(i\epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k + \delta_{ij} \mathbb{1})
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \delta_{ij}$$

$\therefore R(A) \in O(3)$

As  $\det R(\mathbb{1}_2) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i \sigma_j) = \mathbb{1}_2$ ,  $\det(R(\mathbb{1}_2)) = 1$  and  $SU(2)$  is connected,  
 $R : SU(2) \rightarrow O(3)$  is smooth, then all  $R(A)$  must be complicated to 1.

$\therefore R(A) \in SO(3)$

$$\begin{aligned}
R(A) &= a_0 I_2 + i\sigma_i a_i \quad \{ a_0^2 + a_i a_i = 1 \} \\
R(A) &\stackrel{?}{=} \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i A \sigma_j A^\dagger) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i \underbrace{(I_2 + \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_\mu)}_{2V(1+Tr_3R)} \underbrace{(I_2 + \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_\mu^\dagger)}_{2(1+Tr_3R)}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_2 \left( \underbrace{\sigma_i(I_2 + \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_\mu)}_{4(1+Tr_3R)} \sigma_j(I_2 + \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_\mu^\dagger) \right) \downarrow \text{Work out } R_{ij}(A) \text{ and solve for } a_0, a_i \dots \\
&= \frac{1}{8(1+Tr_3R)} \text{tr}_2(\sigma_i(I_2 + \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_\mu) \sigma_j(I_2 + \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_\mu^\dagger))
\end{aligned}$$

$$(a_i \sigma_i \sigma_n R_{n\mu}) (a_j \sigma_j \sigma_m R_{m\mu})$$

$$(a_i \sigma_i \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_n R_{n\mu}) (a_j \sigma_j \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_m R_{m\mu})$$

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$$\sigma_i \sigma_j (1+Tr_3R)^2 - \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_j (1+Tr_3R) \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_i (1+Tr_3R) + \sigma_n \sigma_m R_{n\mu} R_{m\mu}$$

$$\delta_{ij}$$

$$\sigma_i \sigma_j (1+Tr_3R)^2 - \sigma_n R_{n\mu} \sigma_j (1+Tr_3R) \sigma_m R_{m\mu} \sigma_i (1+Tr_3R) + \sigma_n \sigma_m R_{n\mu} R_{m\mu}$$

$$= \text{tr}_2(\cancel{\sigma_0 I_2} + \sigma_i \sigma_i Tr_3 R + i \epsilon_{ikm} \sigma_i \sigma_m R_{k\mu} + \dots)$$

$$\text{tr}_2(\delta_{ij} (1+Tr_3R) I_2 - \sigma_i \sigma_n R_{n\mu} + \sigma_i \sigma_n R_{n\mu}^\dagger + \dots + \cancel{\sigma_n R_{n\mu}} + \sigma_n R_{n\mu}^\dagger) + (\sigma_n R_{n\mu} - \sigma_n R_{n\mu}^\dagger) (\sigma_m R_{m\mu} - \sigma_m R_{m\mu}^\dagger)$$

$$\text{tr}_2(\delta_{ij} (1+Tr_3R) I_2)$$

$$5. D(g) = \text{Exp}(d(X)) \quad g = \text{Exp}(X)$$

$$D(g_1) D(g_2) = \text{Exp}(d(X_1)) \text{Exp}(d(X_2)) \quad X_1, X_2 \in L(G)$$

$$= \text{Exp}\left(d(X_1) + d(X_2) + \frac{1}{2} [d(X_1), d(X_2)] + \frac{1}{12} [d(X_1), [d(X_1), d(X_2)]] - \frac{1}{12} \dots + \dots\right)$$

$$= \text{Exp}\left(d(X_1) + d(X_2) + \frac{1}{2} d([X_1, X_2]) + \frac{1}{12} d([X_1, [X_1, X_2]]) + \dots\right)$$

because  $d$  is a repn of  $L(G)$

while

$$D(g_1 g_2) = D(\text{Exp}(X_1) \text{Exp}(X_2)) = D(\text{Exp}(X_1 + X_2 + \frac{1}{2}[X_1, X_2] + \dots))$$

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$$D(g_1) D(g_2) = \text{Exp}(d(X_1 + X_2 + \frac{1}{2}[X_1, X_2] + \dots)) \text{ by linearity of } d$$

$$\therefore D(g_1 g_2) = D(g_1) D(g_2) \quad \text{considering } g = \text{Exp}(X_1 + X_2 + \frac{1}{2}[X_1, X_2] + \dots) = \text{Exp}(X)$$

~~D is not a repn of G as the map repeats a step at least 1:4~~

~~D is not a repn of G as  $\text{exp}: X \mapsto$  is not 1:1,  
i.e. may exist  $g \in G : \exists X : g = \text{exp} X \quad X \in L(G)$ .~~

$$6. (a) [T^a, T^b] = f^{ab}_c T^c$$

$$[R(T^a), R(T^b)] = \bar{R}[[T^a, T^b]] = R(f^{ab}_c T^c) = f^{ab}_c R(T^c)$$

$$[\bar{R}(T^a), \bar{R}(T^b)] = [R(T^a)^*, R(T^b)^*] = [R(T^a), R(T^b)]^*$$

$$= f^{ab}_c R(T^c)^* = f^{ab}_c \bar{R}(T^c) \quad \text{as } f^{ab}_c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(b) R(T^a) = -\frac{1}{2}i\sigma_a, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{R}(T^a) = \frac{1}{2}i\sigma_a^*, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Both provide a fundamental repn of  $L(SU(2))$ .  $\bar{R} = SRS^{-1}$ ,  $S = \sigma_2 \Rightarrow$  equiv/  
isomorphic

Weights are the same as  $Rv_\lambda = \lambda v_\lambda \Rightarrow (Rv_\lambda)^* = \bar{R}v_\lambda^* = \lambda^* v_\lambda^* = -\lambda v_\lambda^*$  as weights must have im  $\mathbb{C}^4$ .  
~~both~~ and weight set  $\{-1, \dots, 1-2, 1\} \Rightarrow -1 \in \{-3, \dots, 3\} \wedge \lambda \in \{-3, \dots, 3\}$

$$7. R_1 : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow V_1$$

$$R_2 : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow V_2$$

$$R_1 \otimes R_2(x) = R_1(x) \otimes I_2 + I_1 \otimes R_2(x) \quad x \in L$$

$$[R_1 \otimes R_2(x), R_1 \otimes R_2(y)] = [R_1(x) \otimes I_2, R_1(y) \otimes I_2]$$

$$+ [R_1(x) \otimes I_2, I_1 \otimes R_2(y)] + [I_1 \otimes R_2(x), R_2(y) \otimes I_2]$$

$$+ [I_1 \otimes R_2(x), I_1 \otimes R_2(y)]$$

$$= [R_1(x), R_1(y)] \otimes I_2 + I_1 \otimes [R_2(x), R_2(y)]$$

$$= R_1([x, y]) \otimes I_2 + I_1 \otimes R_1([x, y]) = R_1 \otimes R_2([x, y])$$

$$R_1 \otimes R_2(\alpha x + \beta y) = R_1(\alpha x + \beta y) \otimes I_2 + I_1 \otimes R_2(\alpha x + \beta y)$$

$$= \alpha R_1(x) \otimes I_2 + \beta R_1(y) \otimes I_2 + \alpha I_1 \otimes R_2(x) + \beta I_1 \otimes R_2(y)$$

$$= \alpha R_1 \otimes R_2(x) + \beta R_1 \otimes R_2(y)$$

$\therefore R_1 \otimes R_2$  is a repn of  $L$ .

$$8. R_N \otimes R_M \quad N, M \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \cup \{0\} \quad , R_\lambda \text{ irrepn of } L(\text{SU}(2)) \text{ w/ highest weight } \lambda$$

$$R_N : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow V_N \quad , \quad u \in V_N$$

$$R_M : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow V_M \quad , \quad v \in V_M$$

$$R_N(H)u_\lambda = \lambda u_\lambda \quad , \quad R_N(H)v_{\lambda'} = \lambda' v_{\lambda'}$$

$R_N \otimes R_M$  has eigenvectors  $u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'}$ :

$$R_N \otimes R_M(H)(u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'}) = (R_N(H) \otimes I_2)(u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'}) + (I_1 \otimes R_M(H))(u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'})$$

$$= R_N(H)u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'} + u_\lambda \otimes R_M(H)v_{\lambda'} = \lambda u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'} + \lambda' u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'}$$

$$= (\lambda + \lambda') u_\lambda \otimes v_{\lambda'}$$

Hence weight wt

$$S_{N \otimes M} \{ \lambda + \lambda' : \lambda \in S_N, \lambda' \in S_M \} \quad \text{where } S \text{ denotes the corresponding weight sets}$$

$$S_N = \{-N, \dots, N-2, N\}$$

$$S_M = \{-M, \dots, M-2, M\}$$

How many ways to put  $n$  balls into 2 buckets with capacities  $N$  and  $M$ ?

$$N+M: \quad N+M$$

$$N+M-2: (N-2)+M, N+(M-2)$$

$$N+M-4: (N-4)+M, (N-2)+(M-2), \xleftarrow{N+M-4} N+(M-4)$$

⋮

$$N+M-2\min(N, M) = (N-M) \quad \dots$$

$$N+M-2(\min(N, M)+1): \quad \dots$$

⋮

$$-(N+M) + 2\min(N, M) = -|N-M|$$

⋮

$$-(N+M) : -N-M$$

$$\therefore R_N \otimes R_M = R_{|N-M|} \oplus R_{|N-M|+2} \oplus \dots \oplus R_{N+M}$$

$$\dim(R_N \otimes R_M) = \dim(R_N) \dim(R_M) = (N+1)(M+1)$$

$$\dim(R_{|N-M|} \oplus \dots \oplus R_{N+M}) = \sum \dim(R_{|N-M|+k}) + \dots + \dim(R_{N+M})$$

$$= (|N-M|+1) + \dots + (N+M+1) = \frac{(N+M+1)(N+M+2)}{2} = \frac{|N-M|(M+M+1)}{2}$$

~~$$= 2 \frac{\frac{(N+M+1)(N+M+2)}{2} - \frac{(N-M)(M+M+1)}{2}}{2} = \frac{2NM + 3(N+M) + 2}{2} = N+M+1$$~~

$$= 2 \frac{\frac{N+M+1}{2} \left( \frac{N+M+1}{2} + 1 \right)}{2} - 2 \frac{\frac{N-M}{2} \left( \frac{N-M}{2} + 1 \right)}{2} = \frac{(N+M)^2 + 4(N+M) + 3 - (N-M)^2 - 4(N-M) - 3}{4}$$

$$= NM + (N+M) + 1 = (N+1)(M+1) \quad \text{✓}$$

as step reflection ops  
allow to construct a vector set  
starting at highest weight  
and  $\alpha'_V$  can be made orthogonal.

$$9. (a) X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad [Q, P] = Z \quad [Z, Q] = [Z, P] = 0$$

$\text{Span}_R \{ Z \}$  is an abelian ideal  $\Rightarrow$  Lie algebra not semi-simple

$$[T^a, T^b] = f^{ab}, T^c$$

$$f^{QP}_Z = -f^{PQ}_Z = 1$$

$$K^{ab} = f^{ad}_c f^{bc}_d \Rightarrow K^{ab} = 0 \quad \text{degenerate} \Rightarrow \text{not semi-simple}$$

$$(b) L \text{ real, compact} : \text{basis } \{ T^a \} : K^{ab} = -K^{ba} \quad K > 0$$

$$I \subseteq L \quad [L, I] \subseteq I$$

$$I_L := \{ X \in L : K(X, Y) = 0 \quad \forall Y \in I \}$$

$$K(X, [Y, Z]) = -K([Y, X], Z) \quad \text{by invariance of Killing form}$$

$$= 0 \quad \forall Y \in L, X \in I \Rightarrow [Y, X] \in I, Z \in I_L$$

$$\therefore [Y, Z] \in I_L \quad \forall Y \in L, Z \in I_L$$

$$\Rightarrow I_L \subseteq L \quad [L, I_L] \subseteq I_L \quad \square$$

$$I, I_L \text{ ideals} \Rightarrow [I, I_L] \subseteq I \cap I_L$$

$$I \cap I_L = \{ 0 \} \quad \text{since } K \text{ is euclidean}$$

$$L = I \oplus I_L \quad \text{as } I \text{ and } I_L \text{ span } L.$$

Any semi-simple real Lie algebra  $M = \bigoplus_i S_i$  w/  $S_i$  simple by iterating the above recursively and using that  $M$  real compact  $\Rightarrow I$  real compact.

Need to show that a complexified simple Lie algebra is simple (as complexification of a sum of the sum of complexifications). This is not trivial.