

Exercise Class: Lie Groups, Nov 5th

Recap:

- Every Lie group G comes with its Lie algebra of left-invariant vector fields

$$\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G) = \text{Vect}(G)^G$$

- There is a vector space isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} T_e G &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{g} = \text{Vect}(G)^G \\ v &\mapsto (g \mapsto d_g(v)) \\ X_e &\longleftarrow X \end{aligned}$$

- Important example:

$$G = GL_n(\mathbb{R}), \quad \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Via the above identification the Lie bracket is given by the commutator of matrices:

$$[A, B] = AB - BA \quad \forall A, B \in \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R}).$$

- o Any Lie group hom. $\varphi: H \rightarrow G$ induces a Lie algebra homomorphism $d\varphi: \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ via its differential

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{h} & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & \mathfrak{g} \\ \uparrow \cong & & \uparrow \cong \\ T_e H & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & T_e G \end{array}$$

What about the converse statement?

H, G Lie groups with Lie alg. $\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{g}$
and $\varphi: \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ Lie alg hom.

Q: Is there a Lie gp. hom. $\varphi: H \rightarrow G$
such that $d\varphi = \varphi$?

A: In general: No!

Counterexample: $\text{Lie}(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R} \cong \text{Lie}(\mathbb{S}^1)$

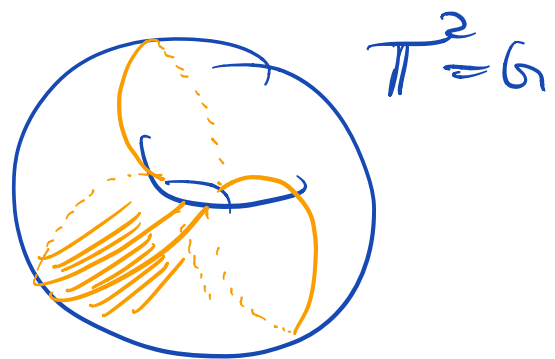
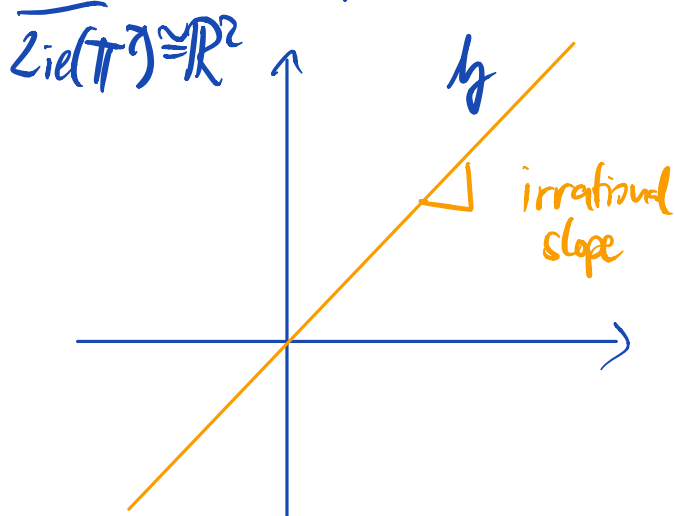
[But $\nexists \varphi: \mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Lie gp. hom
that induces $\text{Lie}(\mathbb{S}^1) \cong \text{Lie}(\mathbb{R})$.]

However, under some conditions the answer is: Yes!

◦ First version of a converse: (Starting with a subalgebra)

Thm: G Lie gp, $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$, $\mathfrak{h} \leq \mathfrak{g}$ a Lie subalg.
Then there exists an immersed Lie subgroup $H \subseteq G$ with Lie algebra \mathfrak{h} .

Ex: $G = \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1 \cong \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$



$\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{T}^2$ is dense

◦ Ado's thm:

Every (abstract) Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is a subalgebra of $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R})$ for some n .

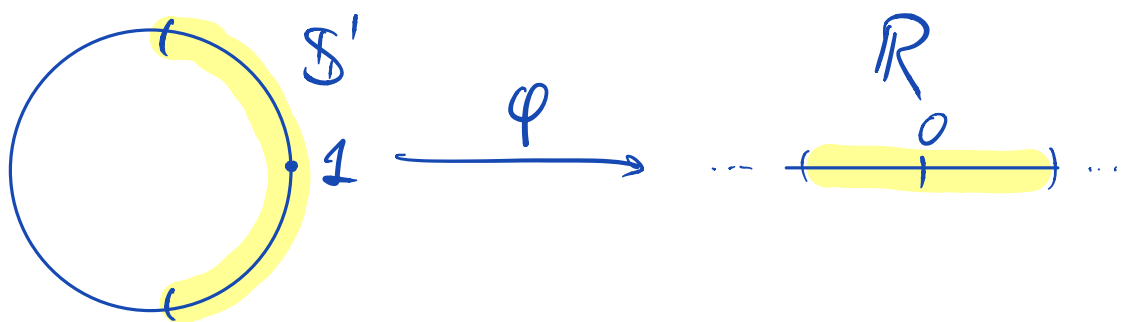
↳ For every Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} there is an immersed Lie subgroup $G \leq \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$ with $\text{Lie}(G) \cong \mathfrak{g}$.

o Second version of a converse

Thm: Let H, G be Lie groups and $\psi: \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ a Lie algebra homomorphism. Then there is a local Lie group hom.

$\left[\begin{array}{l} g, h \in U \text{ \& } g \cdot h \in U \\ \Rightarrow \varphi(g \cdot h) = \varphi(g) \varphi(h) \end{array} \right] \varphi: U \rightarrow G$ such that $d\varphi = \psi$.
 \uparrow open nbhd of $e \in H$

Ex: $H = S^1$, $G = \mathbb{R}$, $\text{Lie}(S^1) = \text{Lie}(\mathbb{R})$



Q: When can we extend φ to a global homomorphism?

A: If H is simply connected!

(Moreover, this homomorphism is uniquely determined by its "differential"
 $d\varphi: \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$)

Summarizing: We obtain an **equivalence of categories!**

$\text{LieGrp}_{\text{sc}}$: Category of SIMPLY CONNECTED
Lie groups with (global) homomorphisms

Lie Alg : Category of Lie algebras with
Lie algebra homomorphisms

EQUIVALENCE

$\text{LieGrp}_{\text{sc}} \longleftrightarrow \text{Lie Alg}$

$G \longmapsto \mathfrak{g}$

$(\varphi: G \rightarrow H) \longmapsto (d\varphi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h})$

\tilde{G}

$\longleftarrow \mathfrak{g}$

\tilde{G} universal cover of G , where $G \cong \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$

s.t. $\text{Lie}(\tilde{G}) = \mathfrak{g}$.

$(\varphi: \tilde{G} \rightarrow \tilde{H})$
with $d\varphi = \psi$.

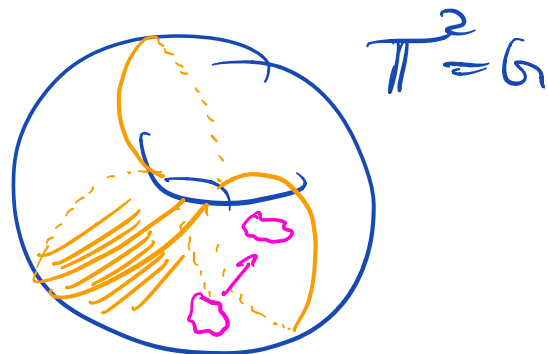
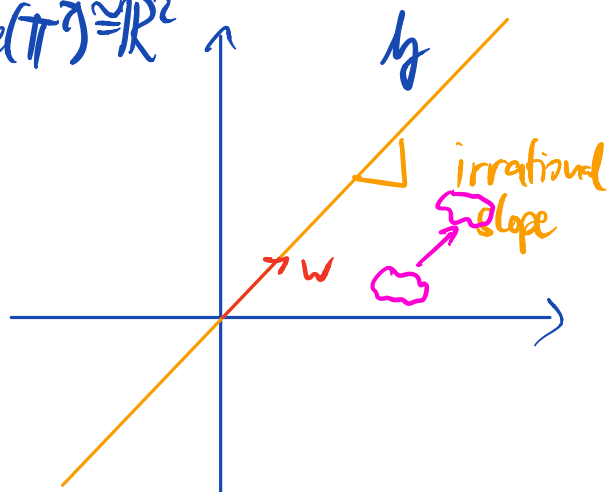
$\longleftarrow (\psi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h})$

BREAK

Back to the previous example:

Ex: $G = \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1 \cong \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$

$\text{Lie}(\mathbb{T}^2) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$



$\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{T}^2$ is dense

Let's use the notation $\pi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1$
 $x = (x_1, x_2) \mapsto (\exp(2\pi i x_1), \exp(2\pi i x_2))$

Observe that \mathbb{R} acts on \mathbb{T}^2 via

$$t * \pi(x) := \pi(x + t \cdot w)$$

Then the immersed copy of \mathbb{R} in \mathbb{T}^2 is the orbit

$$\mathbb{R} * (1, 1) \subset \mathbb{T}^2$$

Q: Can we say something quantitative about the density of orbits?

A: Yes! Let μ be the Haar probability measure on \mathbb{T}^2
 We want to show that for every $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mu)$

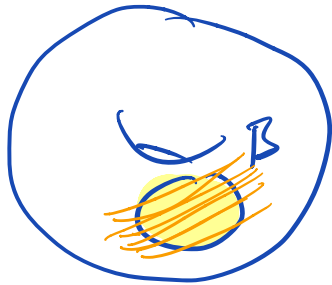
$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t * x) dt \xrightarrow[T \rightarrow \infty]{\text{in } L^2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mu)} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f d\mu \quad (*)$$

"time average"

"space average"

Actually, one can show that the convergence in (*) is pointwise for almost every $x \in \mathbb{T}^2$
(Birkhoff's ergodic theorem)

Interpretation: Plug-in $f = \mathbb{1}_B =$ characteristic fct of some Borel set $B \subset \mathbb{T}^2$



Then $\int_0^T \mathbb{1}_B(t * x) dt$ is how much "time" the orbit $\mathbb{R} * x$ spent in B (up to time T).

Thus (*) means that after a long time the proportion of time that the orbit $\mathbb{R} * x$ has spent in B is (almost) equal to the proportion of space that B takes up in \mathbb{T}^2 .

Proof of (*): Let $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mu)$.

Hilbert space with basis $\{e_\nu\}_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}^2}$
where $e_\nu(\pi(x)) = \exp(2\pi i \langle \nu, x \rangle)$

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We define $f_T(x) := \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t * x) dt \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mu)$

We compute:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle f_T, e_\nu \rangle_{L^2} &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f_T(x) \cdot \overline{e_\nu(x)} d\mu(x) \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t * x) dt \cdot \overline{e_\nu(x)} d\mu(x) \\
 (\mu \text{ is } \mathbb{R}\text{-inv.}) &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(x) \overline{e_\nu((-t) * x)} dt d\mu(x) \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(x) \underbrace{\exp(2\pi i \langle \nu, x - t \cdot w \rangle)}_{\substack{= \exp(-2\pi i \langle \nu, x \rangle) \cdot \exp(2\pi i \langle \nu, w \rangle t)}} dt d\mu(x) \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f(x) \exp(-2\pi i \langle \nu, x \rangle) d\mu(x) \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \exp(2\pi i \langle \nu, w \rangle t) dt \\
 &= \langle f, e_\nu \rangle_{L^2} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \exp(2\pi i \langle \nu, w \rangle t) dt}_{=: I_T(\nu)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1st case: $\nu = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}^2$: $I_T(\nu) = 1$

$$\left[\langle f_T, e_\nu \rangle_{L^2} = \langle f, e_0 \rangle_{L^2} = \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f d\mu \right.$$

2nd case: $v \neq 0$: Because w has irrational slope

$$\langle v, w \rangle \neq 0.$$

$$|I_T(v)| = \frac{1}{T \cdot |\langle v, v \rangle|} \left| \int_0^{T \cdot \langle v, v \rangle} \exp(2\pi i s) ds \right|$$

← "floor" \circ

$$\leq \frac{1}{T \cdot |\langle v, v \rangle|} \left| \int_0^{T \cdot \langle v, v \rangle} \exp(2\pi i s) ds \right|$$

$$+ \frac{1}{T \cdot |\langle v, v \rangle|} \int_{\lfloor T \cdot \langle v, v \rangle \rfloor}^{T \cdot \langle v, v \rangle} |\exp(2\pi i s)| ds \xrightarrow{(T \rightarrow \infty)} 0$$

$\leq |\langle v, v \rangle|$

$$\Rightarrow \langle f_T, e_v \rangle_{L^2} \rightarrow 0 \quad (T \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\text{in } L^2)}{(T \rightarrow \infty)} \langle f, e_0 \rangle \cdot e_0 = \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f \, d\mu$$

□

Statements like these are part of an area of mathematics called "Dynamical Systems".

(It will not play a role in this course, but it's good to know for "culture".)