

Exercise Sheet 6

Exercise 1 (The adjoint representation is smooth). Let G be a Lie group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Show that $\text{Ad}: G \rightarrow \text{GL}(\mathfrak{g}), g \mapsto \text{Ad}(g)$ is smooth, where $\text{Ad}(g) := D_e(\text{int}(g))$.

Hint: Consider the map $\text{int}(g): G \rightarrow G, x \mapsto gxg^{-1}$. Use that \exp_G is a local diffeomorphism to conclude that Ad is smooth near e . Then use left translation to show that Ad is smooth everywhere.

Exercise 2 ($Z(G) = \text{Ker}(\text{Ad})$). Let G be a Lie group and \mathfrak{g} its Lie algebra. Use the fundamental relation that

$$g \exp(tX) g^{-1} = \exp(t \text{Ad}_g(X))$$

for all $g \in G, t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ to prove the following.

- (1) If G is connected, then the center $Z(G)$ of G equals the kernel of the adjoint representation.
- (2) If G is connected, $Z(G)$ is a closed subgroup and

$$\text{Lie}(Z(G)) = \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) := \{X \in \mathfrak{g} : \forall Y \in \mathfrak{g}, [X, Y] = 0\}.$$

Exercise 3 (Quotients of Lie groups). Let G be a Lie group and let $K \leq G$ be a closed normal subgroup. Show that G/K can be equipped with a Lie group structure such that the quotient map $\pi: G \rightarrow G/K$ is a surjective Lie group homomorphism with kernel K .

Exercise 4 (Connectedness from quotients). Let G be a topological group and $H < G$ a closed subgroup. Show that if H and G/H are connected, then so is G .

Exercise 5 (Examples of solvable and nilpotent groups). Compute the derived series and the central series of the Lie groups

$$G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c \neq 0 \right\}, \quad H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

to decide whether they are solvable and/or nilpotent. Find all weights for the inclusion-representations $\rho_G: G \rightarrow \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{C})$, $\rho_H: H \rightarrow \text{GL}(3, \mathbb{C})$ and $\rho_{\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})}: \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{C})$.