

Reminder XI

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- Killing form $K: L \times L \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $K(X, Y) := \text{Tr}(\text{adx} \text{ ady})$, $X, Y \in L$.
Lie algebra *symmetric and bilinear*
structure coefficients
- If $\{X_1, \dots, X_d\}$ is a basis of L , $g_{jk} := K(X_j, X_k) = \sum_{r, s=1}^d c_{jk}^r c_{ks}^r$
matrix
- If $\text{Det}(\{g_{jk}\}) \neq 0$, K is non-degenerate.
- 3 results:
 - 1) L a semi-simple Lie algebra $\Leftrightarrow K$ non-degenerate, *no loss of information*
 - 2) L semi-simple Lie algebra \Rightarrow adjoint representation faithful.
 $K(X, X) < 0 \quad \forall X \neq 0$
 - 3) G connected semi-simple group is compact $\Leftrightarrow K$ negative definite.
adjoint representation
- Δ Not all $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ are diagonalizable. *Jordan form*
generalized eigenvector
- Cartan subalgebra L_0 of a complex semi-simple Lie algebra:
always in the sequel
maximal Abelian subalgebra with adx diagonalizable, $\forall X \in L_0$.
Rank = dimension of L_0 , denoted d_0 if $\dim(L) = d$.
- Root α : non-zero linear map on L_0 s.t. $\exists Y_\alpha \in L$ with
*denoted by L_0^**
 $\text{adx}(Y_\alpha) = \alpha(X) Y_\alpha \quad \forall X \in L_0$. \mathcal{R} the set of roots.
- If $\{X_1, \dots, X_{d_0}\}$ is a basis of L_0 , α uniquely defined by $\alpha(X_1), \dots, \alpha(X_{d_0})$.

• If $\alpha \in \mathfrak{R}$, $-\alpha \in \mathfrak{R}$; \exists d-different roots \Rightarrow d-d is even.

• \exists standard basis of \mathfrak{L} : $\{H_1, \dots, H_{d_0}, E_\alpha, E_{-\alpha}, \dots, E_\beta, E_{-\beta}\}$

with the properties : 1) $[H_j, H_k] = 0$, 2) $[H_j, E_\alpha] = \alpha(H_j) E_\alpha$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

3) $[E_\alpha, E_\beta] = \dots$ and $(g_{jk}) = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccc} 1 & 0 & & \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ & & & \ddots \end{array} \right)$.

• Examples of $\mathfrak{su}(2)_{\mathbb{C}}$ and $\mathfrak{su}(3)_{\mathbb{C}}$.