

## Bourbaki "Lie groups and Lie algebras" Chap. 6

↪  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R})$ 

$V$ :  $\mathbb{R}$ -lin. sp.  $V^* := \text{Hom}(V, \mathbb{R})$  : dual sp. of  $V$   
 $\langle -, - \rangle: V \times V^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\langle v, f \rangle := f(v)$  bilinear form

↪  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(V) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, V)$ 

$(a, f) \in V \times V^*$ ,  $a \neq 0, f \neq 0$ ,  $\Delta_{a,f} \in \text{End}(V)$

$$\Delta_{a,f}(v) := v - \langle v, f \rangle a = v - f(v)a$$

Lem. 1  $\text{rank}(1 - \Delta_{a,f}) = 1$

↪  $\text{id}_V \in \text{End}(V)$ 

☺  $\forall v \in V$   $(1 - \Delta_{a,f})(v) = v - (v - f(v)a) = f(v)a$

$$\therefore \text{Im}(1 - \Delta_{a,f}) = \mathbb{R}a \neq 0$$

□

Lem. 2  $(\Delta_{a,f})^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow \langle a, f \rangle = 2$

☺  $(\Delta_{a,f})^2(v) = \Delta_{a,f}(v - f(v)a) = (v - f(v)a) - f(v - f(v)a)a$   
 $= v - 2f(v)a + f(v)f(a)a = v + f(v)(f(a) - 2)a$

$$\therefore (\Delta_{a,f})^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow f(v)(f(a) - 2) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V \Leftrightarrow f(a) = 2 \quad \square$$

Dfn  $\Delta \in \text{Aut}(V)$  is a reflection  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(1 - \Delta) = 1$  &  $\Delta^2 = 1$  □

↪  $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{R}}(V) = \{a \in \text{End}(V) \mid \text{invertible}\}$ 

By Lem. 1 & 2,  $\langle a, f \rangle = 2 \Rightarrow \Delta_{a,f}$  is a reflection

Lem. 3  $\Delta$ : reflection of  $V \Rightarrow V = V_{\Delta}^+ \oplus V_{\Delta}^-$ ,  $\dim V_{\Delta}^- = 1$ ,

$$V_{\Delta}^{\pm} := \{v \in V \mid \Delta(v) = \pm v\}$$

☺  $\Delta^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{EigenVal}(\Delta) = \{\pm 1\}$ ,  $V = \text{Eigensp}(\Delta; 1) \oplus \text{Eigensp}(\Delta; -1)$

$$V_{\Delta}^{\pm} = \text{Eigensp}(\Delta; \pm 1) \quad \therefore V = V_{\Delta}^+ \oplus V_{\Delta}^-$$

$$V_{\Delta}^+ = \ker(1 - \Delta), \quad V/\ker(1 - \Delta) \cong \text{Im}(1 - \Delta) \quad \therefore \dim V_{\Delta}^+$$

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$$= \dim \text{Im}(1 - \Delta)$$

$$V/V_{\Delta}^+ \cong V_{\Delta}^-$$

$$= \text{rk}(1 - \Delta) = 1$$

Dfn  $R \subset V$ , subset, is a root system of  $V$

$$i \Leftrightarrow (RS1) \#R \setminus \{0\} \subset R, \text{span}_{\mathbb{R}} R = V$$

$$(RS2) \forall \alpha \in R \exists \alpha^\vee \in V^* \quad \checkmark \text{ reflection}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \langle \alpha, \alpha^\vee \rangle = 2 \text{ and } \Delta_{\alpha, \alpha^\vee}(R) = R$$

$\leftarrow$  this condition determines  $\alpha^\vee$  uniquely

$$(RS3) \forall \alpha \in R \quad \alpha^\vee(R) \subset \mathbb{Z} \quad \square$$

•  $\alpha \in R$  is called a root.  $\text{rank } R := \dim V$

•  $\forall \alpha \in R \quad \Delta_\alpha := \Delta_{\alpha, \alpha^\vee}$ : the simple reflection assoc. to  $\alpha$

By Lem. 3.  $V = V_{\Delta_\alpha}^+ \oplus V_{\Delta_\alpha}^-$ ,  $V_{\Delta_\alpha}^- = \mathbb{R}\alpha$ ,

$$\Delta_\alpha(v) = v \text{ for } v \in V_{\Delta_\alpha}^+, \Delta_\alpha(\alpha) = -\alpha$$

Also,  $\Delta_\alpha \in A(R) := \{a \in \text{Aut}(V) \mid a(R) = R\} \subset \text{Aut}(R) \cong \mathbb{S} \# R$

•  $W(R) := \langle \Delta_\alpha \mid \alpha \in R \rangle_{\text{gp}} \subset A(R)$ : Weyl group  $\nearrow$  symmetric group

Claim 1. A root system  $R$  of rank 1 is of the form

$$R = \{\pm \alpha\} \text{ or } R = \{\pm \alpha, \pm 2\alpha\}$$

☺  $V = \mathbb{R}e \quad V^* = \mathbb{R}e^*, \langle e, e^* \rangle = e^*(e) = 1$

$$(RS1) \Leftrightarrow R = \{a_1 e, \dots, a_n e\}, a_i \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, a_i \neq a_j \text{ for } i \neq j.$$

$$(RS2) \Rightarrow R \ni \alpha_i = a_i e \quad \alpha_i^\vee = (2/a_i)e^*$$

$$(RS3) \Leftrightarrow \forall i, j \quad \alpha_i^\vee(\alpha_j) \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow \forall i, j \quad 2a_j/a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall i \neq j \quad 2a_i/a_j, 2a_j/a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall i \neq j \quad a_i/a_j = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(RS2) \Rightarrow \Delta_\alpha(\alpha) \in R \Leftrightarrow -\alpha \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \{\pm a_1, \dots, \pm a_n\}$$

$$\therefore R = \{\pm \alpha\} \text{ or } R = \{\pm \alpha, \pm 2\alpha\} \text{ or } R = \{\pm \alpha, \pm \frac{1}{2}\alpha\} \quad \square$$

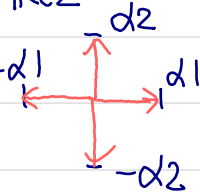
Dfn. A root sys.  $R$  is reduced ;  $\Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha \in R$  is indivisible,  
 i.e.,  $\nexists \beta \in R \setminus \{\pm\alpha\} \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}\beta \quad \square$

By Claim 1, a reduced root sys. of rank 1 is of the form  
 $\{\pm\alpha\}$  (A1 root sys.)



Claim 2. A reduced root sys. of rank 2 is of the form

(A1 x A1)

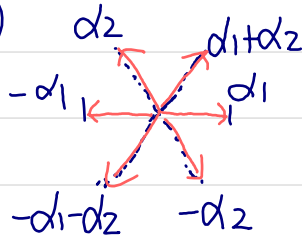


$V = \mathbb{R}\alpha_1 \oplus \mathbb{R}\alpha_2$

$$R = \{\pm\alpha_1, \pm\alpha_2\}$$

$$\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle = 0$$

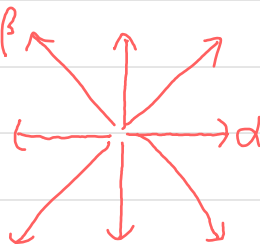
(A2)



$$R = \{\pm\alpha_1, \pm\alpha_2, \pm(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)\}$$

$$\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2^\vee \rangle = -1$$

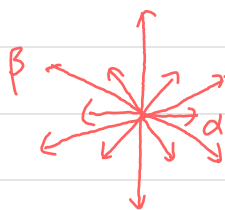
(B2)



$$R = \{\pm\alpha, \pm\beta, \pm(\alpha + \beta), \pm(\alpha + 2\beta)\}$$

$$\langle \alpha, \beta^\vee \rangle = -1 \quad \langle \beta, \alpha^\vee \rangle = -2$$

(G2)



$$R = \{\pm\alpha, \pm\beta, \pm(\alpha + \beta), \pm(\alpha + 2\alpha), \pm(\alpha + 3\alpha), \pm(2\beta + 3\alpha)\}$$

$$\langle \alpha, \beta^\vee \rangle = -1, \quad \langle \beta, \alpha^\vee \rangle = -3$$

HW show Claim 2.