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The Matrix Exponential and the relationship between Lie groups & Lie Algebras

Introduction & History

Sophus Lie lived from 1842-1899 and considered the birth date of what we now call today Lie group as the winter of 1873.

Lie's idée fixe was to develop a theory of symmetries of $\text{Diff} \mathbb{R}^n$ that would be analogous to Galois theory.

His idea was to construct a theory of continuous groups that would complement the theory of discrete groups

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Though Lie theory would never unify ODE's and continuous groups, Lie is recognized as the creator of Lie theory which has been a fruitful field of study since its creation.

DEF: A Lie group is a differentiable manifold G which is also a group, and such that the group product

$$G \times G \rightarrow G$$

and the inverse map $g \rightarrow g^{-1}$ is differentiable.

Rmk.

Group objects in the category of smooth manifolds

DEF: A matrix Lie group is any subgroup H of $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ s.t. if A_n is a sequence of matrices in H , and A_n converges to some matrix A , then A is back in H or not invertible

FACT: Every matrix Lie group is a Lie group.

Note: To prove this you can show that a closed subgroup of a Lie group is a Lie group.

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(say aloud)

~~Prop.~~ Let $G \ni H$ be Lie groups, and ϕ a group homomorphism from G to H . Then if ϕ continuous it is also smooth.

~~Amk. Every matrix Lie group is a smooth manifold.~~ As a matrix Lie group is automatically locally path-connected. It follows that a matrix Lie group is path-connected \Leftrightarrow it is connected.

The Matrix Exponential

The e^M plays a critical role in the theory of Lie groups.

The exponential enters into the def to the Lie algebra of a matrix Lie group and is the passing mechanism for passing info between groups \rightarrow ALGs

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DEF: Let X be an $M_n(\mathbb{C})$.

The exponential of X is defined by the power series

$$e^X = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{X^m}{m!} \quad \boxed{E}$$

Convention: X, Y are the variable in the matrix exponential.

Recall: $\|A\| = \sup \frac{\|Ax\|}{\|x\|}$ for $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$

\exists , $\|A\|$ is the smallest $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t.
 $\|Ax\| \leq \lambda \|x\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n$.

All $n \times n$ matrices have, finite norm, $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$
 $\|A+B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\| \quad \} \quad A_m \rightarrow A \Leftrightarrow \|A_m - A\| \rightarrow 0$

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Similarly, A_m is Cauchy if $\|A_m - A_n\| \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$, every Cauchy seq. Conv., and if $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \|A_m\| < \infty \Rightarrow$ abs. Conv.

Prop 1 For any $n \times n$ \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} matrix X , if the series (e^X) converges, then matrix exponential e^X is a continuous function of X .

Proof. $\|X^m\| \leq \|X\|^m \Rightarrow \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left\| \frac{X^m}{m!} \right\| \leq \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\|X\|^m}{m!} = e^{\|X\|} < \infty$. Thus the series abs. Conv.

Continuity, note since X^m is a cont. funct. of X , the partial sums of e^X are cont.

Note: e^X converges on $\{ \|X\| \leq R \} \Rightarrow$ sum is cont.

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Prop.

① $e^0 = I$, ② e^X is invertible $(e^X)^{-1} = e^{-X}$

③ $e^{(\alpha+\beta)X} = e^{\alpha X} e^{\beta X}$ $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$

if $XY = YX \Rightarrow e^{X+Y} = e^X e^Y = e^Y e^X$.

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⑤ if C invertible $\Rightarrow e^{CX C^{-1}} = C e^X C^{-1}$

⑥ $\|e^X\| \leq e^{\|X\|}$

In general, it is not true that $e^{X+Y} = e^X e^Y$

and the Lie product formula is as follows:

$$e^{X+Y} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{1/k X} e^{1/k Y} \right)^k$$

In the other direction, if X & Y are sufficiently small matrices, we have:

$$e^X e^Y = e^Z \text{ where,}$$

$$Z = X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \frac{1}{12}[X, [X, Y]] - \frac{1}{12}[Y, [X, Y]] + \dots$$

$$\text{THM: } \det(e^X) = e^{\text{trace}(X)}$$

Prop. Let X be an $n \times n$ complex matrix, and

view the space of all $n \times n$ complex matrices as $(\mathbb{C}^n)^2$.

Then e^{tX} is a smooth curve in $(\mathbb{C}^n)^2$, and

$$\frac{d}{dt} e^{tX} = X e^{tX} = e^{tX} X,$$

in particular $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} e^{tX} = X$.

Proof. Differentiate the power series for e^{tX} term by term. (is this valid? don't worry about it - Hall)

$\forall i, j, (e^{tX})_{ij}$ is a convergent power series which is known to

be differentiable.

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(May skip for more interesting results)

Computing the Matrix exponential

Case 1: X is diagonalizable. This \Rightarrow that

\exists an invertible \mathbb{C} matrix C s.t. $X = CDC^{-1}$

where,

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

we know $e^D = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{bmatrix}$ so by prop

$$e^X = CDC^{-1}$$

Thus if you can diagonalize X , you can explicitly compute e^X

\boxed{E}

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -a \\ a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{e-vectors } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

e-values $-ia$ & ia ,

Thus, $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ maps basis vectors

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ to e-vectors of X

$$\Rightarrow C^{-1}XC = D \Rightarrow X = CDC^{-1}$$

$$\text{hence } e^X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-ia} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{ia} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -i/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & -\sin(a) \\ \sin(a) & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$

if $X \in GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ then $e^X \in GL_2(\mathbb{R})$

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Case 2: X is nilpotent. ($X^m = 0$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$)

everything terminates after m term so it's super nice!

$$\boxed{E} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad X^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & ac \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{tX} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ta & tb + \frac{1}{2}t^2ac \\ 0 & 1 & tc \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Case 3 X arbitrary

if X neither diagonalizable nor nil potent

X can be written in the form $X = S + N$ by the Jordan Canonical form, N -nil, S -diag and

$$\underline{SN = NS}. \Rightarrow e^X = e^{S+N} = e^S e^N.$$

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The matrix Logarithm

This should be the inverse function to e^x .

We look to the \mathbb{C} -log for guidance. We

cannot define a $\text{Log } X$ for all M or $M: \det(M) \neq 0$.

We will define $\text{Log } X$ in a nbhd of the I .

$$\text{Recall: } \log z = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{m+1} \frac{(z-1)^m}{m}$$

is defined and analytic in a circle of radius 1 about

$$z=1. \quad e^{\log z} = z \quad \forall z \text{ with } |z-1| < 1$$

$$\forall u \text{ with } |u| < \log 2, \quad |e^u - 1| < 1 \text{ and } \log e^u = u$$

$$\text{Thm: The function } \log A = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{m+1} \frac{(A-I)^m}{m}$$

is defined and continuous on the set of all $n \times n$ \mathbb{C} - M , A with $\|A-I\| < 1$, and $\log A$ is \mathbb{R} if A is \mathbb{R} .

$$\forall A \text{ with } \|A-I\| < 1 \quad e^{\log A} = A.$$

$$\forall X \text{ with } \|X\| < \log 2, \quad \|e^X - 1\| < 1 \text{ and } \log e^X = X$$

(Proof.) $\log A$ converges w/ given condition. Continuity
in the case of e^X can show $e^{\log A} = A$ case wise

is the same as ... so show ...

when A is diag and when it is not (if not use JCF to make $A_m \rightarrow A$ where A_m diag.)

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Prop: \exists a constant C s.t. \forall $n \times n$ matrices B with $\|B\| < 1/2$,

$$\|\log(I+B) - B\| \leq C\|B\|^2$$

Proof.

$$\log(I+B) - B = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{B^m}{m} = B^2 \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{B^{m-2}}{m}$$

So that

$$\|\log(I+B) - B\| \leq \|B\|^2 \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{(1/2)^m}{m}$$

FACT: Let X be $n \times n$ complex matrix, and let C_m be a sequence of matrices s.t. $\|C_m\| \leq \frac{\text{constant}}{m^2}$.

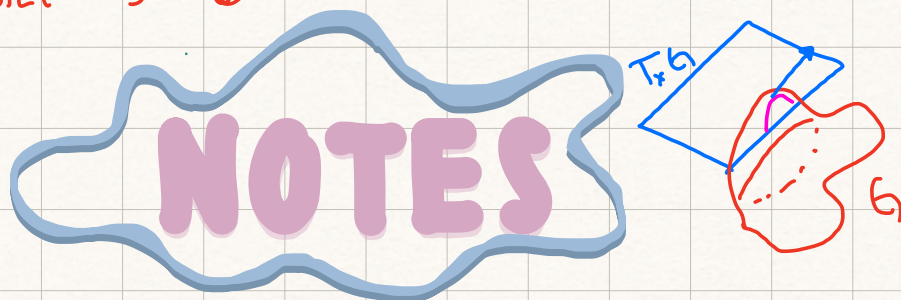
Then,
$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left[I + \frac{X}{m} + C_m \right] = e^X$$

Def: A function $A: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ is called a one-parameter group if

1. A is continuous
2. $A(0) = I$
3. $A(t+s) = A(t)A(s) \quad \forall t, s \in \mathbb{R}$

Thm: If A is a one parameter group in $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ then $\exists!$ $(n \times n - \mathbb{C} - \mathcal{M})$ X s.t. $A(t) = e^{tX}$.

$$n=1 \Rightarrow \text{GL}(1, \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}^*$$



Let G be a matrix Lie group. Then the Lie algebra of G denoted \mathfrak{g} , is the set of all matrices s.t. e^{tx} is in G for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

DEF: if G is a matrix Lie group with Lie alg. \mathfrak{g} , then the exponential mapping for G is the map

$$\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$$

[E] Show Lie algebras

$$\text{SU}(2) \cong \text{SO}(3).$$

[E] Pass from $S^1 \xrightarrow{e^x} \text{SO}(2)$