

**Differential Geometry. Homework 3. Due February 18th.** Professor: Luis Fernández

1. The *symplectic group* is defined as

$$Sp(2n, \mathbb{R}) := \{A \in Gl(2n, \mathbb{R}) : A^t J A = J\}, \quad \text{where } J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ -I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Prove that  $Sp(2n, \mathbb{R})$  is a manifold, find its dimension, and describe  $T_I Sp(2n, \mathbb{R})$  as a subspace of  $\mathcal{M}(2n \times 2n, \mathbb{R})$ .  
[NOTE: this group is often denoted  $Sp(n, \mathbb{R})$  instead of  $Sp(2n, \mathbb{R})$ .]

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2. The *special unitary group* is defined as

$$SU(n) := \{A \in U(n) : \det(A) = 1\}.$$

Prove that  $SU(n)$  is a manifold, find its dimension, and describe  $T_I SU(n, \mathbb{R})$  as a subspace of  $\mathcal{M}(2n \times 2n, \mathbb{R})$ .

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3. Prove that  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not equal to  $e^A$  for any  $A \in \mathcal{M}(2n \times 2n, \mathbb{R})$ .
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4. Describe the tangent space at the identity as a subspace of  $\mathcal{M}(n \times n, \mathbb{C})$  for the group  $U(n)$  (defined in Hw 1).
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5. Let  $\alpha(t)$  and  $\beta(t)$  be smooth curves in a Lie group  $G$  such that  $\alpha(0) = \beta(0) = e$ , and let  $\sigma(t) = \alpha(t)\beta(t)$ . Prove that

$$\sigma'(0) = \alpha'(0) + \beta'(0).$$

[Hint: Consider the group multiplication map  $m : G \times G \rightarrow G$ , i.e.  $m(g, h) = gh$ . Let  $X, Y \in T_e G$ , and show that

$$dm(X, Y) = dm(X, 0) + dm(0, Y) = X + Y.]$$

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6. Let  $G$  be a Lie group. Prove that there is a neighbourhood of  $e$  where “square roots” are well defined. That is, for every  $g$  in that neighbourhood there is  $h$  (also in that neighbourhood) such that  $h^2 = g$ .
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7. Lee, exercise 20-11. (This answers a question posed in class last time.)
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8. Let  $G$  be a Lie group, and  $c_g : G \rightarrow G$  be conjugation by  $g \in G$ , that is,  $c_g(h) = ghg^{-1}$ . The *adjoint representation* is the map  $\text{Ad} : G \rightarrow Gl(\mathfrak{g})$  defined by

$$\text{Ad}(g) = (dc_g)_e.$$

(That is,  $\text{Ad}(g)(X) = (dc_g)_e(X)$ .)

- a) Prove that  $\text{Ad}(g^{-1}) = (\text{Ad}(g))^{-1}$ ; hence the range really is the space  $Gl(\mathfrak{g}) = \{\text{Invertible linear maps from } \mathfrak{g} \text{ to } \mathfrak{g}\}$ .  
b) Prove that if  $G = Gl(n, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $\text{Ad}(A)(X) = AXA^{-1}$ .  
c) Define the map  $\text{ad} : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(\mathfrak{g})$  as the differential of  $\text{Ad}$  at the identity (that is,  $\text{ad}(X) = d\text{Ad}_e(X)$ ; note that  $\text{ad}(X)$  is an element of  $\mathfrak{gl}(\mathfrak{g}) = \{\text{Linear maps from } \mathfrak{g} \text{ to } \mathfrak{g}\}$ ). Prove that

$$\text{ad}(X)(Y) = [X, Y].$$

[NOTE: to prove this last part you need the definition of the exponential map, which we may not have time to cover today. If not, prove it when  $G = Gl(n, \mathbb{R})$ .]