

**INFINITE DIMENSIONAL
LIE GROUPS
WITH APPLICATIONS TO
MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS**

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Lecture 1 : Infinite dimensional Lie groups. General definitions, finite versus infinite dim. Lie groups, examples, applications of abelian gauge groups to Maxwell's equations, loop groups

Lecture 2: Diffeomorphism groups. Algebraic structure, geometric structure, Lie group structure, Lie algebra, exponential map, ILH Lie groups, gauge groups

Lecture 3: Subgroups of diffeomorphism groups and applications. Volume preserving diffeos (fluid dynamics), symplectomorphisms (plasma physics), contact transformations , global hamiltonian vector fields, quantomorphisms (geom. quantization), gauge transformations (quantum field theory)

Lecture 4: Lie group of Fourier integral operators. Basic definitions and properties. Exact sequence of groups, local section, smoothness of manifold structure, smoothness of group operations, ILH Lie group structure .

Lecture 5: Non-compact manifolds.

Applications: Topological Euler equations, non-homogeneous Euler equations. Pseudodifferential operators and quantization.

LECTURE 1

INFINITE DIMENSIONAL LIE GROUPS

LIE GROUPS

In physics as symmetry groups or configuration spaces of dynamical systems.

Finite dimensional examples:

a) **Linear and Angular Momentum:**

Groups of translations and rotations.

b) **Rigid body:** $f(x, t)$ position at time t . Smooth motion : $f(x, t) = A(t) \cdot x$,
 $A(t) \in SO(3)$ proper rotations.
 $SO(3)$ configuration space and symmetry group.

c) **Heavy top:** Configuration space $SO(3)$, symmetry group circle group S^1 , rotations about direction of gravity.
"Eliminating" S^1 symmetry : Euclidean group E_3 rigid motions.

Infinite dimensional examples:

d) **Incompressible fluid:** Configuration space: $Diff_{vol}(\Omega)$ volume preserving diffeomorphisms of Ω . Infinite dimensional Lie group .
 $Diff_{vol}(\Omega)$ also symmetry group.

e) **Compressible fluid:** Configuration space: $Diff(\Omega)$
Symmetry group $Diff_{\rho}(\Omega)$ density ρ preserving diffeomorphisms .

f) **Maxwell-Vlasov Equation:** Configuration space $Sym(\mathbf{R}^6)$, infinite dim. Lie group of canonical transformations.

h) **Maxwell's , Yang-Mills Equations.** Group of gauge transformations , infinite dimensional Lie group .

i) **Soliton equations:** Coadjoint orbits of group of pseudodifferential operator, group of Fourier integral operators.

Basic Definitions and Properties

An infinite dimensional **Lie group** \mathcal{G} is a group and an infinite dimensional manifold with \cdot . The 2 structures are compatible, i.e. the group operations are smooth

$$\mu : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} : \mu(g, h) = g \cdot h \quad \text{multiplication } C^\infty$$

$$\nu : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} : \nu(g) = g^{-1} \quad \text{inversion } C^\infty$$

(implicit function theorem !)

\mathcal{G} is locally diffeomorphic to an ∞ dim. vector space

- Banach space, norm $\|\cdot\|$,
- Hilbert space, inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$,
- Frechet space, metric $d(\cdot, \cdot)$, no norm

If \mathcal{G} is locally diffeomorphic to \mathbf{R}^n , $n < \infty$, then \mathcal{G} is a finite dimensional Lie group

Examples.

1) $V =$ Banach space: abelian Lie group
 $\mu : V \times V \rightarrow V, \quad \mu(x, y) = x + y$ and
 $\nu : V \rightarrow V, \quad \nu(x) = -x.$

2) $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$ linear isomorphisms of \mathbf{R}^n
(invertible $n \times n$ matrices),
 $\mu =$ matrix multiplication
 $\nu =$ matrix inversion

3) $V =$ Banach space . $GL(V, V)$ invertible
elements of $L(V, V) =$ bounded linear operators
 $A : V \rightarrow V. \quad \mu(f, g) = f \circ g, \quad \nu(f) = f^{-1}$

Differentiable structure of \mathcal{G}

Left- & right translations , $g \in \mathcal{G}$:

$L_g : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}; \quad L_g(h) = gh$ diffeomorphism

$R_g : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}; \quad R_g(h) = hg$ diffeomorphism

$(L_g)^{-1} = L_{g^{-1}}, \quad (R_g)^{-1} = R_{g^{-1}}$

Let (U, ϕ) chart at $e \in \mathcal{G}$,

define chart (U_g, ϕ_g) at $g \in \mathcal{G}$

$$U_g = L_g(U) = \{L_g h \mid h \in U\}$$

$$\phi_g = \phi \circ L_{g^{-1}} : U_g \rightarrow V, h \mapsto \phi(g^{-1}h)$$

The Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of a Lie group \mathcal{G} :

Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = \{ \text{left invariant vector fields on } \mathcal{G} \}$
 $\simeq T_e\mathcal{G}$ tangent space at the identity

A Vector field X on \mathcal{G} is **left invariant** iff

$$(L_g)_*X = X \Leftrightarrow X \in \mathbf{X}_L(\mathcal{G})$$

if $X, Y \in \mathbf{X}_L(\mathcal{G})$, then

$$(L_g)_*[X, Y] = [(L_g)_*X, (L_g)_*Y] = [X, Y],$$

i.e. $[X, Y] \in \mathbf{X}_L(\mathcal{G})$.

Hence $\mathbf{X}_L(\mathcal{G})$ is a Lie subalgebra of $\mathbf{X}(\mathcal{G})$.

The **Lie algebra** \mathfrak{g} of \mathcal{G} is defined as $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbf{X}_L(\mathcal{G})$

$\xi \in T_e\mathcal{G} \mapsto X_\xi(g) := T_eL_g(\xi) \in T_g\mathcal{G}$ left invariant
and $X_\xi(e) = \xi$

Lie bracket in $T_e\mathcal{G}$, $\xi, \eta \in \mathfrak{g}$

$$[\xi, \eta] := [X_\xi, X_\eta](e)$$

- bilinear: $[t\xi_1 + s\xi_2, \eta] = t[\xi_1, \eta] + s[\xi_2, \eta]$
- skew symmetric: $[\xi, \eta] = -[\eta, \xi]$
- Jacobi identity $[[\xi, \eta], \zeta] + [[\eta, \zeta], \xi] + [[\zeta, \xi], \eta] = 0$

exponential map: $exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ defined as follows:

- 1) $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} \mapsto X_\xi$ left invariant vector field.
- 2) let $\varphi_\xi(t)$ be flow of X_ξ
- 3) define $exp(\xi) := \varphi_\xi(1)$ local diffeomorphis if \mathcal{G} finite dimensional

Examples

CLASSICAL LIE GROUPS

Vector group: $\mathcal{G} = V$ vector space

$\mu(x, y) = x + y$, $\nu(x) = -x$, $e = 0$, abelian

Lie algebra: $T_e V \simeq V$

left invariant vector field: $u \in T_e V$

$X_u(v) = u, \forall v \in V$ const. Hence $\mathfrak{g} = V$ with trivial

Lie bracket $[u, v] = 0$ abelian

exponential map $exp : V \rightarrow V$, $exp = id$.

MATRIX GROUPS

General linear group $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$

$$\mathcal{G} = GL(n, \mathbf{R}) = \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid \det A \neq 0\}$$

invertible $n \times n$ matrices.

$\det : L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, continuous, and

$GL(n, \mathbf{R}) = \det^{-1}(\mathbf{R} - \{0\}) \subset L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$ open submanifold, disconnected, $\dim = n^2$

$\mu(A, B) = AB$, matrix multiplication, C^∞ as restriction of continuous bilinear map

$$(A, B) \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \times L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \rightarrow AB \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$$

$\nu(A) = A^{-1}$ matrix inversion, C^∞ by implicit function theorem $\mu(A, \nu(A)) = e = I$ identity

Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$

Lie bracket $[A, B] = AB - BA$

left invariant vector fields on $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$:

$A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$, $X_A : GL(n, \mathbf{R}) \rightarrow L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$, def

by $X_A(Y) = YA$ is left invariant (linear), indeed

$$X_A(L_Z Y) = X_A(ZY) = ZYA = (T_Y L_Z)X_A(Y)$$

hence the Lie bracket is

$$[A, B] = [X_A, X_B](I) = DX_B(I)X_A(I) - DX_A(I)X_B(I)$$

$X_B(Z)$ is linear, so $DX_B(I)Z = ZB$ and

$$DX_B(I)X_A(I) = AB \text{ hence } [A, B] = AB - BA$$

exponential map: $A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n)$ the curve

$\gamma_A : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbf{R}) : \gamma_A(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^i}{i!} A^i$ is a one-parameter subgroup, $\gamma_A(0) = I$

$$\dot{\gamma}_A(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^{i-1}}{(i-1)!} A^i = \gamma_A(t)A$$

Hence γ_A is (unique) integral curve of X_A

exponential map

$$\exp : L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbf{R}) : \exp(A) = \gamma_A(1) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} A^i, \text{ i.e. } \exp(A) = e^A.$$

Lie subgroups of $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$

Special linear group $SL(n, \mathbf{R})$

$$SL(n, \mathbf{R}) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbf{R}) \mid \det A = 1\} = \det^{-1}\{1\}.$$

closed Lie subgroup of $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$, non-compact, connected (2 comp), $\dim SL(n, \mathbf{R}) = n^2 - 1$

Lie algebra

$$sl(n, \mathbf{R}) = \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid \operatorname{tr} A = 0\}$$

Orthogonal group $O(n)$

$$O(n) = \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid \langle Ax, Ay \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle\}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow AA^T = I, \det A = \pm 1$$

compact, disconnected (2 comp),

$$\dim O(n) = n(n-1)/2$$

Lie algebra

$$o(n, \mathbf{R}) = \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid A \text{ skew symmetric}\}$$

Special orthogonal group $SO(n)$

$$\begin{aligned}SO(n) &= \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid \det A = +1\} \\ &= O(n) \cap SL(n, \mathbf{R}) = \text{comp}_I O(n) \\ \text{compact, connected, } \dim SO(n) &= \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)\end{aligned}$$

Lie algebra

$$\begin{aligned}so(n, \mathbf{R}) &= \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathbf{R}^n) \mid A \text{ skew symmetric}\} \\ &= o(n)\end{aligned}$$

Symplectic group $Sp(2n)$

$$\begin{aligned}Sp(2n, \mathbf{R}) &= \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^{2n}, \mathbf{R}^{2n}) \mid A^T J A = J\}. \\ J &= \begin{pmatrix} O & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ noncompact, } \dim Sp(2n) = 2n^2 + n\end{aligned}$$

Lie algebra

$$sp(2n, \mathbf{R}) = \{A \in L(\mathbf{R}^{2n}, \mathbf{R}^{2n}) \mid A^T J + J A = 0\}$$

Similar for complex matrix groups $GL(n, \mathbf{C})$

Classical results in finite dimensions which are NOT true in infinite dimensions:

NO Implicit Function Theorem !

1) Exponential map:

$exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G : \xi \in \mathfrak{g} \mapsto X_\xi$ left invariant vector field with flow $\varphi_\xi(t)$, then $exp(\xi) = \varphi_\xi(1)$ is a local diffeomorphism \Rightarrow canonical coordinates

2) If $f_1, f_2 : G \rightarrow H$ are smooth Lie group homomorphisms (G connected) $f_i(gh) = f_i(g) \cdot f_i(h)$, $i = 1, 2$, with $T_e f_1 = T_e f_2$, then $f_1 = f_2$ locally

3) If $f : G \rightarrow H$ is a continuous group homomorphism then f is smooth

4) If G is a Lie group and $H \subset G$ a closed subgroup then H is a Lie subgroup (Lie group and submanifold)

5) If G is a Lie group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} and $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is a subalgebra, then there exists a unique connected Lie subgroup $H \subset G$ with \mathfrak{h} as its Lie algebra

6) If \mathfrak{g} is any finite dim. Lie algebra. There exists a connected Lie group G such that $\mathfrak{g} \simeq T_e G$

Infinite dimensional examples

1. Abelian gauge groups

M finite dimensional manifold

$$\mathcal{G} = C^\infty(M), \quad \mu(f, g) = f + g, \quad \nu(f) = -f, \quad e = 0$$

$$\mathfrak{g} = T_e C^\infty(M) \simeq C^\infty(M), \quad [\xi, \eta] = 0, \text{ abelian}$$

$$\exp = id : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$$

C^∞ -Frechet Lie group (vector group)

norm-complete:

$C^k(M)$ -norm, $k < \infty \Rightarrow$ Banach Lie group

H^s -Sobolev norm, $s > \frac{1}{2} \dim M \Rightarrow$ Hilbert Lie group

Application: Maxwell's equations

E, B electric and magnetic fields

$$\dot{E} = \text{curl } B, \quad \dot{B} = -\text{curl } E, \quad \text{div } B = 0, \quad \text{div } E = \rho$$

$V =$ vector fields (potentials) on \mathbf{R}^3

$P = T^*V = V \times V^* \ni (A, E)$, phase space

L^2 pairing $\langle A, E \rangle = \int A(x)E(x)dx$,

canonical Poisson bracket for $F, H : P \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

$$\{F, H\}(A, E) = \int \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta A} \frac{\delta H}{\delta E} - \frac{\delta H}{\delta A} \frac{\delta F}{\delta E} \right) dx$$

Hamiltonian (energy)

$$H(A, E) = \frac{1}{2} \int (|B|^2 + |E|^2) dx$$

Hamiltons equations $\boxed{\dot{A} = \frac{\delta H}{\delta E}, \quad \dot{E} = -\frac{\delta H}{\delta A}}$

let $B = -\text{curl } A$, then $\text{div } B = -\text{div } \text{curl } A = 0$

Hamiltons equations $\dot{A} = \frac{\delta H}{\delta E} = E \Rightarrow \dot{B} = -\text{curl } E$

$$\dot{E} = -\frac{\delta H}{\delta A} = -\text{curl } \text{curl } A = \text{curl } B$$

$\text{div } E = \rho$ from symmetry

Gauge invariance: $\mathcal{G} = C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^3)$ acts on V by

$$\varphi \cdot A = A + \nabla \varphi$$

lifted action to $V \times V^*$, $\varphi \cdot (A, E) = (A + \nabla \varphi, E)$

H is \mathcal{G} invariant

momentum map $J : V \times V^* \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^* \simeq$ charge densities

$$J(A, E) = \text{div } E$$

reduced phase space for $\rho \in \mathfrak{g}^*$

$$P_\rho = J^{-1}(\rho)/G = \{(E, B) | \text{div } E = \rho, \text{div } B = 0\}$$

reduced Hamiltonian:

$$H_\rho(E, B) = \frac{1}{2} \int (|E|^2 + |B|^2) dx$$

reduced Poisson bracket:

$$\{F, H\}_\rho(E, B) = \int \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta E} \cdot \text{curl} \frac{\delta H}{\delta B} - \frac{\delta H}{\delta E} \cdot \text{curl} \frac{\delta F}{\delta B} \right) dx$$

Hamilton's equations on reduced phase space

$$\dot{F} = \{F, H_\rho\}_\rho \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{E} = \text{curl} B & , & \dot{B} = -\text{curl} E \\ \text{div} B = 0 & , & \text{div} E = \rho \end{cases}$$

Maxwell's equations

2. Loop groups

Let M be a finite dimensional manifold

$$\mathcal{G} = C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R} - \{0\})$$

$$\mu(f, g) = f \cdot g, \quad \nu(f) = f^{-1}, \quad e = 1$$

$C^k(M, \mathbf{R} - \{0\})$ open in $C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$

M compact \Rightarrow Banach Lie group, $k < \infty$

M compact $\Rightarrow H^s(M, \mathbf{R} - \{0\})$, H^s Sobolev class,
closed under multiplication if $s > \frac{1}{2} \dim M$

Hilbert Lie group

generalize $\mathbf{R} - \{0\}$ to G finite dimensional Lie group

$$\mathcal{G} = C^k(M, G), \quad \mu(f, g)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x) \text{ pointwise}$$

$$\nu(f)(x) = f^{-1}(x) \text{ pointwise}$$

$$\text{Lie algebra: } \mathfrak{g} = C^k(M, \mathfrak{g}), \quad [\xi, \eta](x) = [\xi(x), \eta(x)]$$

pointwise

exponential map:

$$EXP : \mathfrak{g} = C^k(M, \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{G} = C^k(M, G)$$

$$EXP(\xi) = \exp \circ \xi \text{ local diffeomorphism}$$

Applications:

Gauge theories, quantum field theory

Special case: $M = S^1$ circle

$\mathcal{G} = C^k(S^1, G) = L^k(G)$ loop group

$\mathfrak{g} = C^k(S^1, \mathfrak{g}) = l^k(\mathfrak{g})$ loop algebra

Applications: affine Lie algebras, Kac-Moody Lie algebras (central extensions)

- completely integrable systems
- soliton equations (Toda, KdV, KP)
- quantum field theory