

Lecture 19: More on Lie Algebras of Lie Groups

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Previously: Thm $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. Then $[X, Y] = L_X Y$.

Def. G a Lie gp. The Lie algebra of G is the vector space of all left-invariant vector fields, which is closed under $[\cdot, \cdot]$. Note $\mathfrak{g} \cong T_e G$.

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Ex: [HW!] If G is abelian, then $[X, Y] = 0$ for all $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$

Ex: $G = GL_n \mathbb{R}$, $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G = M_n(\mathbb{R}) \ni X, Y$, and
 $[X, Y] = X \cdot Y - Y \cdot X$. [Calculation in book.]

The str of $[\cdot, \cdot]$ on \mathfrak{g} very closely related to mult on G . Distinct Lie gps can have \cong Lie algebras (e.g. \mathbb{R}^2 , $S^1 \times S^1$, $S^1 \times \mathbb{R}$), but such groups are "closely related". [Unique simply connected one, covers all the rest.]

Thm: $F: G \rightarrow H$ a Lie group homomorphism
Then $dF_e: T_e G \rightarrow T_e H$ is a homomorphism of
Lie algebras. \mathfrak{g} \mathfrak{h}

When F is injective (i.e. gives a Lie subgrp) ②

thus have $(\mathfrak{g}, [,]_{\mathfrak{g}}) \cong (dF_e(\mathfrak{g}), [,]_{\mathfrak{h}})$
via dF_e . [Query: Why is \curvearrowright closed under \uparrow ?]

Thus a Lie subgrp K of H gives a sub-Lie algebra
 $\mathfrak{k} = T_e K \subseteq \mathfrak{h}$.

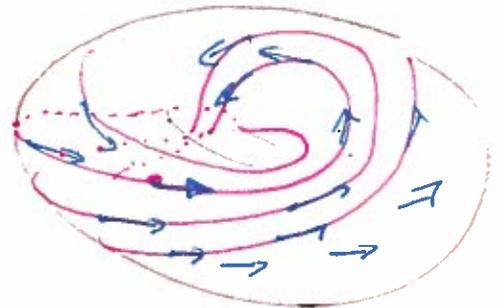
Fact: Any sub Lie algebra of \mathfrak{h} comes from a
Lie subgrp of H .

Pf of Thm: Given $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ define $\bar{X} \in \mathfrak{h}$ by

$$\bar{X}_{e_H} = dF(X_{e_G}).$$



Claim: $dF(X_g) = \bar{X}_{F(g)} \quad \forall g \in G$.



Reason: $X_g = (dL_g)(X_e)$,

$\bar{X}_{F(g)} = dL_{F(g)}(dF(X_e))$, and $F \circ L_g = L_{F(g)} \circ F$.

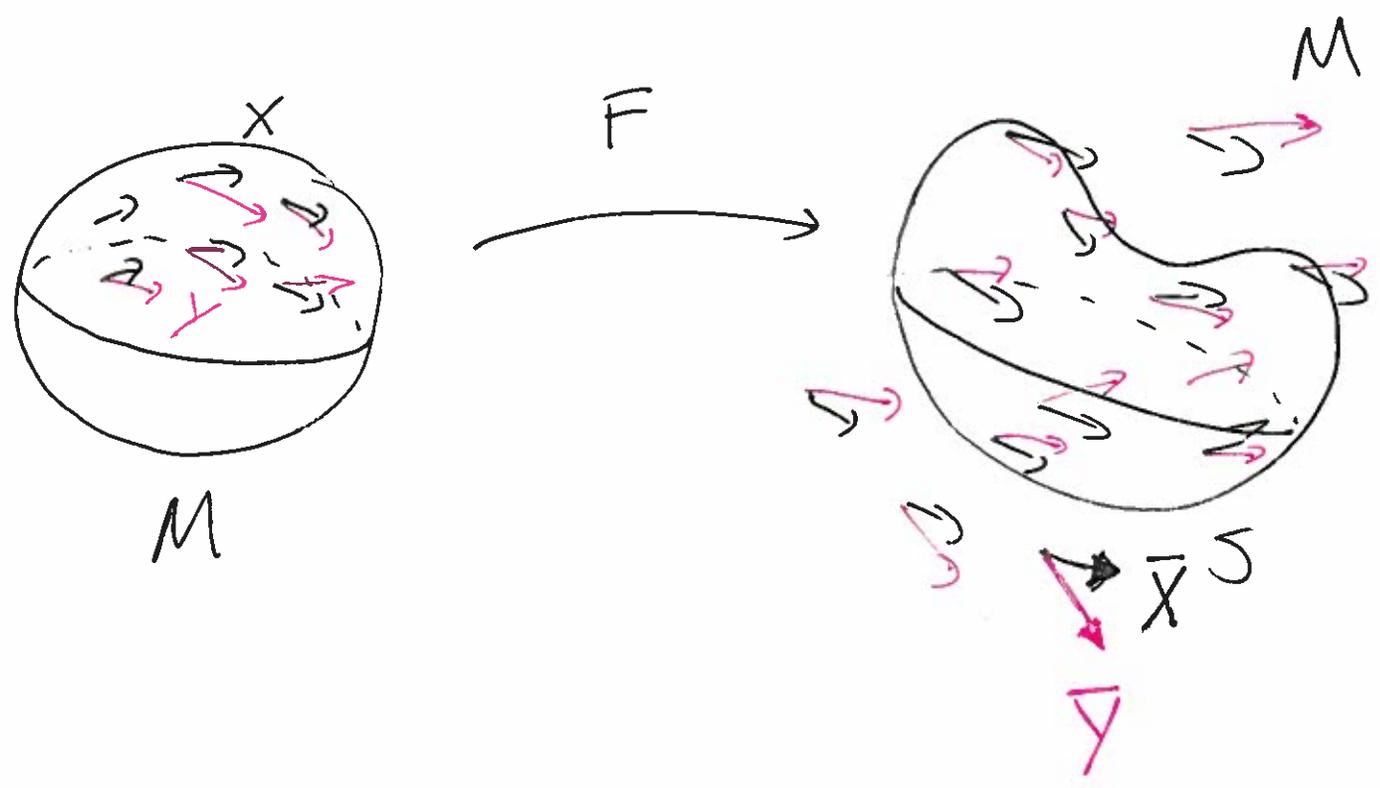
[The book calls such vector fields "F-related".]

For dF_e to be a Lie algebra homom means

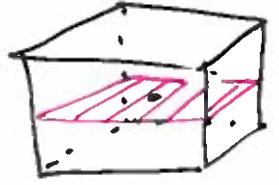
$[X, Y] = [\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]$. This follows from:

Lemma: Suppose $F: M \rightarrow N$ is an injective immersion and $\bar{X}, \bar{Y} \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$ are tangent to $S = F(M)$; that is $\forall p \in S$ we have $\bar{X}_p, \bar{Y}_p \in T_p S = dF(T_{F^{-1}(p)} M)$.

Then $[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]$ is also tangent to S and moreover $[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]|_S$ can be computed in M ; that is if $\bar{X}|_S = F_* X$ and $\bar{Y}|_S = F_* Y$ for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ then $[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]|_S = F_*([X, Y])$.



Pf of Lemma: ① Use local coor where S becomes a coordinate subspace, apply formula for $[,]$.



② For simplicity, assume that both X and \bar{X} induce global flows θ and $\bar{\theta}$ on M and N respectively. Suppressing F by regarding it as the identity gives $\bar{\theta}_t(S) = S$ and $\bar{\theta}_t|_S = \theta_t$ for all t . Lemma now clear from regarding $[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]$ as $L_{\bar{X}} \bar{Y}$.

Let G be a Lie gp. If $L \subseteq \mathfrak{g}$ is a 1-dim'l vector subspace, then L is a sub Lie alg of \mathfrak{g} , [Query: Why?] since $[sX, tX] = s \cdot t [X, X] = 0$. So there should be a 1-dim'l Lie subgp of G corresponding to L . (5)

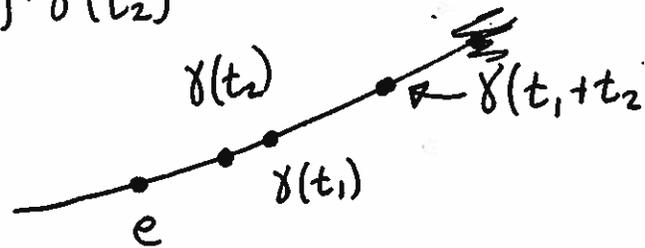
Suppose $X \neq 0$ in \mathfrak{g} . Let $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$ be the integral curve of X with $\gamma(0) = e$.



Claim: γ is a Lie gp homomorphism.

Pf: Let $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $\gamma(t_1) \cdot \gamma(t_2)$

$= L_{\gamma(t_1)}(\gamma(t_2))$. Now



$L_{\gamma(t_1)} \circ \gamma$ is the integral curve for $(L_{\gamma(t_1)})_* X = X$ starting at $\gamma(t_1)$. Hence $(L_{\gamma(t_1)} \circ \gamma)(t) = \gamma(t_1 + t)$ for all t .

In particular, $\gamma(t_1 + t_2) = \gamma(t_1) \cdot \gamma(t_2)$.

Ex: $G = (\mathbb{R}_+, \times)$  ⑥

Left-invariant vector field assoc. to $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_1$ is

$$X_a = a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_a \text{ since } L_a: x \mapsto ax.$$

Integral curve is $t \mapsto e^t$, a gp homom.

Ex: $G = GL_n \mathbb{R}$ $X \in \mathfrak{g} = T_e G = M_n(\mathbb{R})$.

Define $\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$ by the following rule

$$\exp(X) = 1 + X + \frac{1}{2}X^2 + \frac{1}{6}X^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} X^i$$

[Not clear this makes sense, but in fact it's smooth!]

$\gamma(t) = \exp(tX)$ is the integral curve for X !

Ex: $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $X^n = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ odd} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$

$$\exp(tX) = 1 + \begin{pmatrix} t & 0 \\ 0 & -t \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} t^2 & 0 \\ 0 & t^2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} t^3 & 0 \\ 0 & -t^3 \end{pmatrix} + \dots$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1+t+\frac{1}{2}t^2+\dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1-t+\frac{1}{2}(-t)^2+\frac{1}{6}(-t)^3+\dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$