

Physics 618 2020

Classify $U(1)$ central extensions
of Abelian Groups, Pontryagin
Duality, Stone-von Neumann
Theorem

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Last time: We discussed a bit about the relation of a Lie group G to its Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = T_1 G$ but I neglected to state one of the main theorems in the subject:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G & \longrightarrow & \text{Tangent space @ } 1 \\
 & & T_1 G \\
 \exp \mathfrak{g} & \longleftarrow & \mathfrak{g}
 \end{array}$$

Thm

(a) Every finite diml Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}$ over $k = \mathbb{R}$ is the Lie algebra of a unique (up to isom.) connected and simply connected Lie group.

(b.) $[f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2] \iff [df: T_1 G_1 \rightarrow T_1 G_2]$
 Lie group homom. Lie algebra homom.

"Simple" Lie algebras : Nonabelian &
no nontrivial ideals

$\mathcal{J} \subset \mathcal{G}$ sub Lie algebra

but $\forall X \in \mathcal{G}, Y \in \mathcal{J}, [X, Y] \in \mathcal{J}$

Example of nonsimple Lie algebra

Poincaré algebra = Lie algebra of Poincaré
Lie group

or
Affine Euclidean

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \text{Euc}(d) \rightarrow O(d) \rightarrow 1$$

Lie algebra level: P_μ translations
in μ th direction

$\downarrow$

$M_{\mu\nu}$ rotations in
 $\mu\nu$ plane

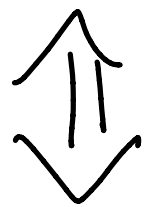
$$[P_\mu, P_\nu] = 0$$

$$[P_\mu, M_{\lambda\rho}] = \delta_{\mu\lambda} P_\rho - \delta_{\mu\rho} P_\lambda$$

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\lambda\rho}] = \text{Sum of 4 } M\text{'s}$$

Simple Lie Group

(a.) It's Lie algebra is simple



(b.) G is connected, nonabelian and does not have nontrivial connected normal subgroups.

N.B. $SU(n)$ is a simple Lie group and

$$\mathbb{Z}(SU(n)) = \left\{ \omega i \mathbb{1}_n \mid \omega = \exp \frac{2\pi i r}{n} \right\} \\ \cong \mathbb{Z}_n$$

is a normal subgroup. So a "Simple Lie group" is not the same thing as a Lie group which is also a simple group.

Why you need the "connected and simply connected" criterion:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G \times \Gamma & \text{Same Lie algebra as } G & \\
 \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\
 \text{Lie} & \text{finite} & \text{Lie}
 \end{array}$$

Similarly if $\Gamma \subset Z(G)$

$\rightarrow G/\Gamma$ is a Lie group with the same Lie algebra as G ,

e.g. $SU(2)/\mathbb{Z}_2 \cong SO(3)$



$$su(2) \cong$$

2x2 antihermitian traceless matrices

$$[J^i, J^j] = \epsilon^{ijk} J^k$$



$$so(3)$$

3x3 real antisymmetric matrices

Every compact Lie group

$$1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow \underbrace{\pi_0(G)}_{\text{group of components}} \rightarrow 1$$

$\uparrow$
 cpt of identity

$$G_0 = \frac{G_{ss} \times T^d}{\text{finite}}$$

$$G_{ss} = \prod_i G_i \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Compact} \\ \text{Simple} \end{matrix}$$

Compact Simple, $\overset{i}{\text{Simply}} \text{ connected, connected}$ have been classified by Cartan:

- $SU(n)$
- $\cdot SO(2n+1)$
- $\cdot USp(2n)$
- $\cdot SO(2n)$ (simply connected cover is $Spin(2n)$)

$$\cdot G_2 \quad 14$$

$$\cdot F_4 \quad 52$$

$$\cdot E_6 \quad 78$$

$$\cdot E_7 \quad 133$$

$$\cdot E_8 \quad 248$$

