

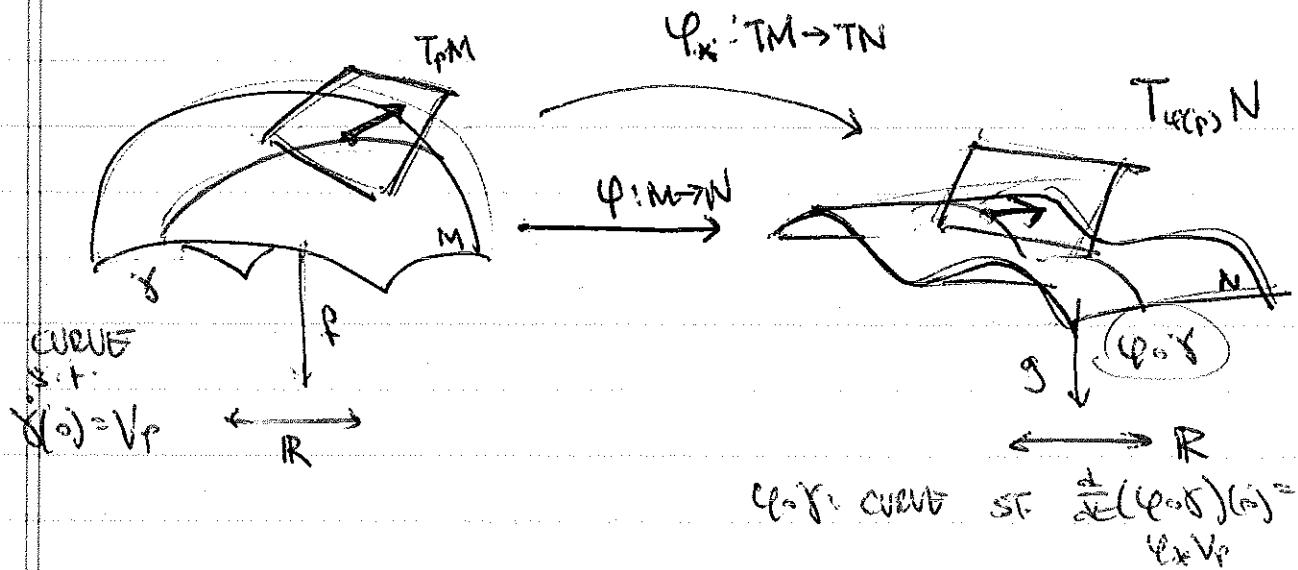
LEC 20: LIE ALGEBRAS =  $T_e G$ 

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QM: INTUITION - GENERATORS

RECALL: MAPS BETWEEN MANIFOLDS

DEFINE MAPS BETWEEN TANGENT BUNDLES



$$\varphi_*: V_p \in T_p M \rightarrow (\varphi_* V_p) \in T_{\varphi(p)} N$$

t acts on  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ t acts on  $g: N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 

$$V_p(f) = \frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \gamma) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial \gamma^i}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=0}}_{\equiv V_p}$$

$\varphi_* V_p$  is DEFINED SIMILARLY.

IN FACT, GIVEN THE INGREDIENTS ABOVE

- ( $\hookrightarrow$  A CURVE  $\gamma$  that defines  $V_p$ )
- ( $\hookrightarrow$  A MAP  $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$ )

$\varphi_* V_p$  DOES THE ONLY THING IT POSSIBLY CAN.

$$\underbrace{(\varphi_* V_p)}_{\in T_{\varphi(\gamma(0))}N} \circ \gamma = \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma \circ (\dots))$$

$\uparrow \quad \nearrow \quad \uparrow$

$N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

this has to be a

PATH IN  $N$  SUCH THAT

THE "TIME DERIVATIVE" @  $t=0$   
GIVES  $(\varphi_* V_p)$

How do we construct such an object  
using the tools available?

$\varphi \circ \gamma$  is a path in  $N$

so define  $\varphi_* V_p$  BY  $\frac{d}{dt} (\varphi \circ \gamma)_{t=0}$

other:

$$(\varphi_* V_p) \circ \gamma = \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma \circ \varphi)_{t=0} = V_p f^{\gamma}$$

$f$  a test function on  $M$   
 $\in \mathcal{T}$

SO NOW YOU KNOW HOW TO MAP VECTORS  
BETWEEN MANIFOLDS, GIVEN A MAP BETWEEN  
MANIFOLDS.

BUT: RECALL: LIE GROUP: GROUP THAT IS ALSO A MANIFOLD

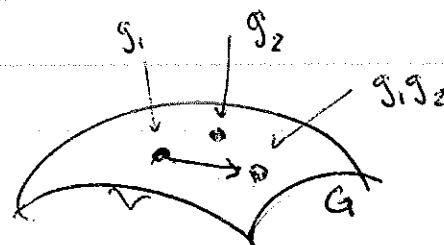
$\underbrace{g \in G}_{\text{manifold}}$ , BUT ALSO A MAP  $\underbrace{g: G \times G \rightarrow G}_{\text{group}}$

e.g.  $U(1): e^{i\theta} \leftarrow$  isomorphic to  $SO(2)$

$$g_1 \cdot e = e^{i\theta_1}$$

$$g_2 \cdot e = e^{i\theta_2}$$

$$g_1 \cdot g_2 = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} \in G$$

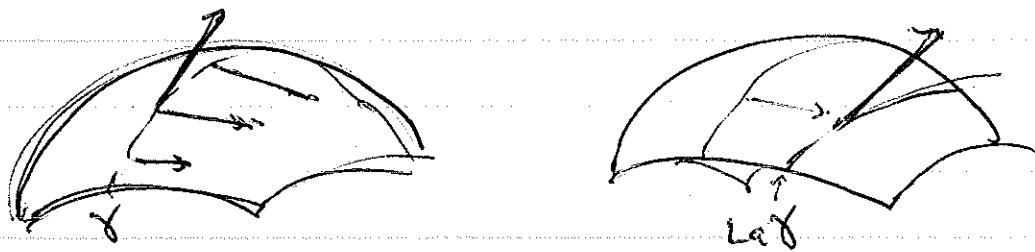


DEFINING A MAP: [LEFT] TRANSLATION BY  $a$ :  
FOR  $a, g \in G$ , then  $L_a: G \rightarrow G$  is

$$\boxed{L_a g = ag}$$

THIS IS A MAP "BETWEEN MANIFOLDS"  
(except between manifold to itself)

THEN FROM OUR WORK ABOVE, CAN MAP TANGENT VECTORS



DEF?: A VEC. FIELD IS LEFT-INVARIANT IF

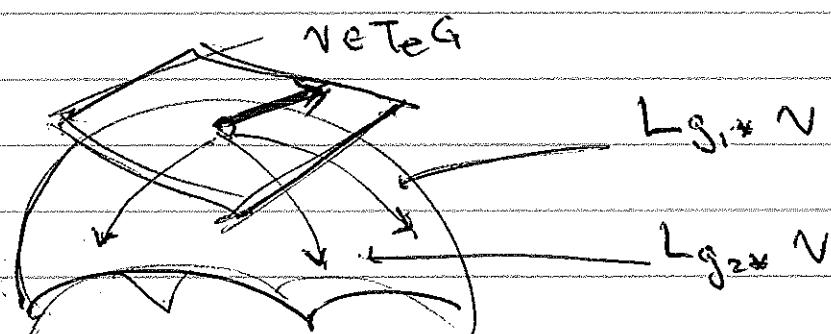
$$(L_a)_* V|_g = V|_{ag}$$

SO WHAT? THERE IS A SPECIAL ~~ONE~~ ELEMENT  
OF EACH LIE GROUP:  $\mathbb{1}$ , THE IDENTITY.  
(sometimes called  $e$ )

WE CAN CONSTRUCT [LEFT] INV. VECTOR FIELDS  
BY PUSHING ELEMENTS OF THE TANGENT SPACES  
AT  $\mathbb{1}$ ,  $v \in T_{\mathbb{1}} G$

ie given  $v \in T_p G$   $\leftarrow T_p G$  is  
EASIER TO READ

then  $V(v)|_g = \underbrace{L_g * v}_{\text{PUSH } v \text{ TO } g}$   
the vector  $\in \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$



IN THIS WAY, CAN PUSH A COPY OF  $v \in T_p G$   
TO EVERY TANGENT SPACE,  $T_g G$  &  $\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$ .

i.e MAPPED  $T_p G \rightarrow T_g G$

BW: SHOW THAT ~~LEFT FIELD~~ VEC FIELD SO DEFINED

IS INDIGO [LEFT] INVARIANT:

$$(L_g)_* \circ (V|_g) = V|_{g_* g}$$

$$(L_g)_* \circ r = (L_{g_* g})_* \circ r$$

SO: SLOW SOMETHING AROUND THE  
COMPOSITIONS OF PUSH FORWARDS.

SO WE HAVE A MAP:  $T_e G \rightarrow TG$

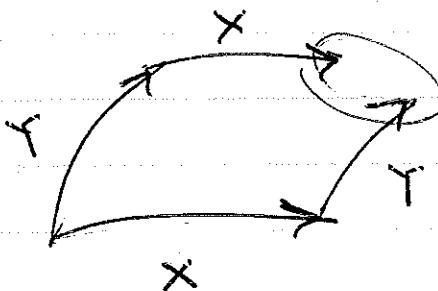
IN FACT, THIS MAP IS INVERTIBLE

SO WE CAN MAP  $TG \rightarrow T_e G$ .

looks like we only have to deal w/  
one tangent space.

IMPORTANT CHECK: WHAT ABOUT LIE BRACKET?

recall:



LIE BRACKET  
MEASURED  
NONCOMMUTATIVITY  
OF FLOWS.

Compare to rotating book example  
THIS IS PRECISELY THE IMPORTANT  
STRUCTURE OF A GROUP!

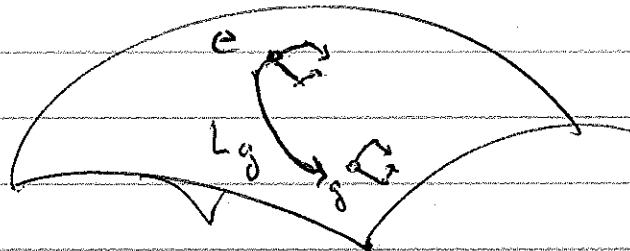
When do symmetries  
"interact" at each other?

TURNS OUT (HW),  $[L_x, Y]$  IS LEFT-INVARIANT!

$$(L_a)_* [X, Y]_g = [X, Y]_{ag}$$



WHAT THIS MEANS:



the noncommutativity @  $g$  is  
the same as @  $e$

→  $T_e G$  seems to tell us everything.

$\hookrightarrow \mathfrak{L}(G)$

DEF: THE WE ALGEBRA of  $G$  is  $T_e G$ .

IT IS DEFINED BY THE WE BRACKET,

or COMMUTATOR:  $[ \cdot, \cdot ]$

PROPERTIES: 1)  $[v, w] = -[w, v]$  (ANTI-SYM)

2)  $[\alpha v + \beta v_2, w] = \alpha [v, w] + \beta [v_2, w]$  (IN)

3) BLANCHI IDENTITY:

~~$[v, [w, z]]$~~

$$[[v, w], z] + [[z, v], w] + [[w, z], w] = 0$$

→ WE ALGEBRA IS A VECTOR SPACE

W/  $[ \cdot, \cdot ]$ .

DEF: THE BASIS ELEMENTS OF  $L(G) \cong T_e G$   
ARE CALLED GENERATORS,  $T_i$ .

$$[T_i, T_j] = C_{ij}^k T_k \leftarrow \text{LINEARITY}$$

↑  
STRUCTURE CONSTANTS OF  $L(G)$

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Eg our old friend  $SO(2)$

$$g^{(\theta)} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = g|_{\theta=0}$$

A CURVE PASSING THROUGH THE ORIGIN

$$\text{IS } \theta(t) = t.$$

$$\hookrightarrow g(\theta(t)) \quad g'$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{d}{dt} g(\theta(t))|_0 = \left( \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \right)|_0 \dot{\theta}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\in L(SO(2))$$

GENERATOR OF ROT.

MORE GENERALLY eg  $O(n)$

ORTHO (real)  $n \times n$  matrices

↓ some parameterized for a curve in  $G$

$$M(t) M(t)^T = \mathbb{1}_{n \times n}$$

WHAT DOES TANGENT SPACES LOOK LIKE?

$$\dot{M} M^T + M \dot{M}^T = 0$$

EVALUATE @  $t=0$ , WHERE  $M(0) = \mathbb{1}$

BY CHOICE OF PARAMETERIZATION

$$\rightarrow (\frac{dM}{dt})_0 + (\frac{dM}{dt})_0^T = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dM}{dt}|_0$  is ANTI-SYMMETRIC,

DIMENSIONALITY =  $\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$ .

all do this  
for  $SU(N)$

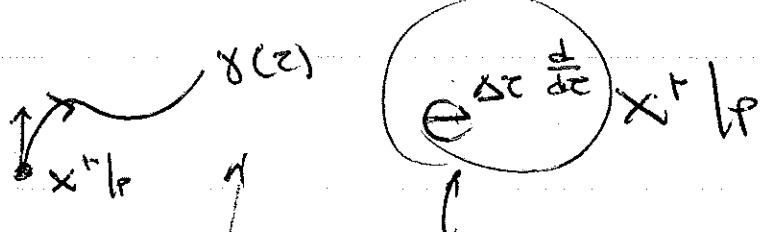
$$SO(2) : \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$SO(3) : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ & 0 & \\ -1 & 0 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ -1 & 0 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & 0 & 1 \\ & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## FROM ALGEBRA TO GROUP:

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RECALL: WHEN WE DID LIE DERIVATIVES (LEC 18)  
FLOW ALONG AN INTEGRAL CURVE



exponentiation  
of a tangent vector.

integral curve of a vector field

LET  $\sigma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$  BE A 1-PARAMETER SUBGROUP;  
INTEGRAL CURVE OF LEFT-INV. VEC. FIELD,  $V$

$$\sigma(0) = e; \quad \sigma(s)\sigma(t) = \sigma(s+t)$$

$$\boxed{V_{\sigma(t)} = L_{\sigma(t)} + V}$$

$\sigma$  is the integral curves from  
pushing  $N \in T_e G$

def EXPONENTIAL MAP  $\exp: T_e G \rightarrow G$

$$\exp(v) = \sigma_v(1) \quad \text{one particular elem of } G$$

1 PARAM SUBGROUP GENERATED  
BY  $V(v)$



HOW TO MAP TO OTHER ELEMENTS?

$$e^{tv} = \sigma_v(t)$$

$v \in T_e G$   
 $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{s.t. } e^{((t_1+t_2)v)} = e^{t_1 v} \cdot e^{t_2 v}$$