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Review of buildings, Lie groups, etc.

First consider the case of a compact connected Lie group K acting on its Lie algebra \mathfrak{k} . Using Morse theory one shows that any orbit $K \cdot x$ has a cell decomposition with even dimensional cells, hence $K \cdot x = K/K_x$ is 1-connected and so K_x is connected. If x is chosen generic, then $\mathfrak{k}_{K_x} = \mathfrak{o}_x$ ($=$ Lie algebra of maximal torus K_x) meets each K -orbit in a Weyl group orbit.

Calculate simple root systems for classical groups.

1) $\square K = \mathrm{SU}_n$. \square A maximal torus is given by the diagonal matrices, so \mathfrak{o}_x consists of $i \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \theta_n \end{pmatrix}$ with $\sum \theta_i = 0$. $W = \Sigma_n$. $K =$ skew-~~hermitian~~ hermitian matrices. Root vectors are

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta_1} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & e^{i\theta_n} & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} * & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & * & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\theta_1} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & e^{-i\theta_n} & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & e^{-i(\theta_i - \theta_j)} & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

i, j, k th position

hence the roots are $\theta_i - \theta_j$ $i \neq j$.

The obvious choice for fundamental Weyl chamber is

$$\theta_1 \geq \theta_2 \geq \dots \geq \theta_n$$

so the simple roots are

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2, \theta_2 - \theta_3, \dots, \theta_{n-1} - \theta_n$$

\square Recall the convention that $\alpha(H_\alpha) = \langle H_\alpha, H_\alpha \rangle = 2$
e.g. in sl_2 one has

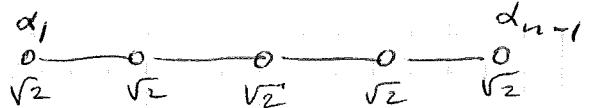
$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad H = [X, Y] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } [H, X] = 2X \quad [H, Y] = -2Y.$$

Thus for the root $\theta_1 - \theta_2$ one has $H_\alpha = (1, -1, 0, \dots, 0)^T$ ² in the natural inner product. The simple roots $\alpha_i(\theta) = \theta_i - \theta_{i+1}$ all have length $\sqrt{2}$ and the angle between consecutive ones has

$$\cos = \frac{-1}{2} \quad \therefore \text{angle} = 120^\circ$$

The diagram then is



2) $K = Sp_{2n} = \text{autos of } H^n \text{ preserving distance}$

$H^n = \mathbb{C}^n \oplus \mathbb{C}^n j$ and a $\mathbb{R}H$ -linear endo of H^n is of the form $(u + vj) \mapsto u' + v'j$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

This will be in K when $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$ is skew-hermitian $\Rightarrow -\bar{\alpha} = \alpha^*$, β is symmetric. Max torus is

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta_1} & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & e^{i\theta_n} & & & \\ & & & e^{-i\theta_1} & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & e^{-i\theta_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

the roots are

$$\begin{array}{ll} \theta_i - \theta_j & i \neq j \\ \pm (\theta_i + \theta_j) & i > j \end{array}$$

$$\text{Check: } \dim K = n^2 + 2 \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 2n^2 + n$$

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

$\theta_i - \theta_j \quad \pm (\theta_i + \theta_j) \quad \dim T$

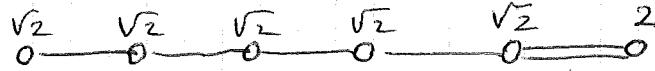
$W = \sum_n \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^n$ so a fundamental chamber is

$$\theta_1 \geq \theta_2 \geq \dots \geq \theta_n \geq 0$$

Simple roots are

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2, \theta_2 - \theta_3, \dots, \theta_{n-1} - \theta_n, 2\theta_n$$

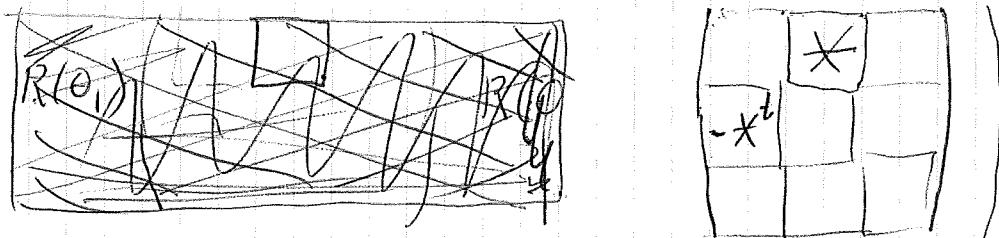
so the diagram is



$$\text{angle has } \cos = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot 2} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \therefore \text{angle} = 135^\circ$$

3) $K = SO_{2n+1}$. Max. torus is $SO(2)^n$ and
 $W = \sum_n \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^n$; note last coordinate is determined
 so that the det = 1. \mathfrak{k} = skew-symm. matrices.

For each ~~$i \neq j$~~ one has a 2×2 block



which you should think of as $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}} + \overline{\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}}$.

Thus the roots are seen to be

$$\pm(\theta_i \pm \theta_j) \quad i > j \\ \pm \theta_i$$

$$\text{Check: } 2 \frac{n(n-1)}{2} 2 + 2n + n = 2n^2 + n = \frac{2n(2n+1)}{2}.$$

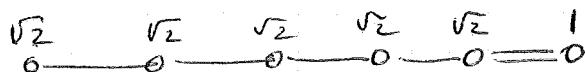
W acts by permuting + changing signs, so a foll. domain is

$$\theta_1 \geq \theta_2 \geq \dots \geq \theta_n \geq 0$$

Simple roots

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2, \theta_2 - \theta_3, \dots, \theta_{n-1} - \theta_n, \theta_n$$

Diagram



$$4) K = SO_{2n}.$$

$$T = SO(2)^n$$

$$W = \sum_n \tilde{X}(\mathbb{Z}_2)^{n-1}$$

so $\det = 1$.

This time the roots are

$$\pm(\theta_i \pm \theta_j) \quad i > j$$

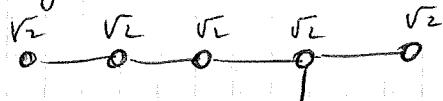
and W acts by permuting and changing an even no. of signs. Hence a fundamental domain is

$$\theta_1 \geq \theta_2 \geq \dots \geq \theta_n \quad \theta_{n-1} + \theta_n \geq 0$$

so ~~the~~ simple roots are

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{n-2} - \theta_{n-1}, \theta_{n-1} - \theta_n, \theta_{n-1} + \theta_n$$

and so diagram is

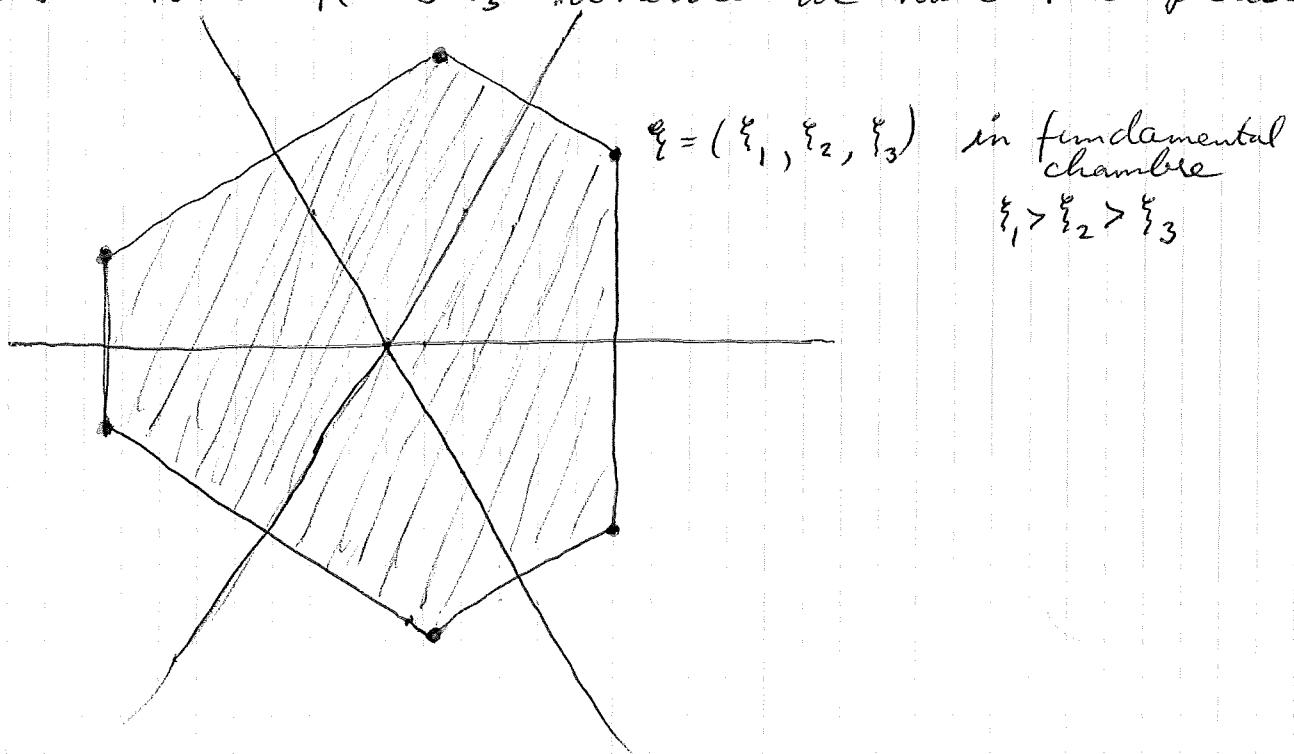


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Atiyah gave Arbeitstagung talk on convexity + commuting Hamiltonians. He has a nice proof of the following theorem of Kostant:

Let K be a compact connected Lie gp and \mathfrak{k} its Lie algebra, and \mathfrak{t} a maximal abelian subspace of \mathfrak{k} . Then the orthogonal projection onto \mathfrak{t} of any K -orbit O in \mathfrak{k} is a convex set, in fact, it's the convex hull of the Weyl group orbit $On\mathfrak{o}$.

[REDACTED] In the following I prefer to work with $\mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}} = \mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{k}^{\mathbb{C}}$ or $\mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}} = i\mathfrak{t}^{\mathbb{C}}$ in the Lie algebra of the complexification G of K . So when $G = GL_n$, $K = U_n$ for instance, $\mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}}$ will be the diagonal Hermitian matrices. Take $K = SU_3$, whence we have the picture:



I think it is actually very easy to see that the projection of the orbit O is contained in the convex hull of the points $On\mathfrak{o}$. Take a linear functional on $\mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}}$; it is of the form $\langle \eta, x \rangle$ $x \in \mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}}$ [REDACTED] with $\eta \in \mathfrak{o}^{\mathbb{C}}$. If we compose this with the projection

of ϕ on σ we get the linear function

$$\langle \gamma, x \rangle \quad x \in \sigma$$

If this function is restricted to the orbit O , then we know the critical points $\boxed{\text{critical points}}$ are $\phi_n \circ O$. Working in the centralizer of γ one sees critical points are orbits wrt K_γ of $\sigma \cap O$. In particular the max. and min. of the function $\langle \gamma, x \rangle$, $x \in O$ are taken on the set $\sigma \cap O$. Since γ is arbitrary, it's clear that the projection of O in σ is contained in the convex hull of $\sigma \cap O$.

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Still trying to prove Kostant's theorem.

\mathcal{O} = orbit of K on $\mathfrak{g} = i\mathbb{R}$

$p: \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \text{or}$ orthogonal projection

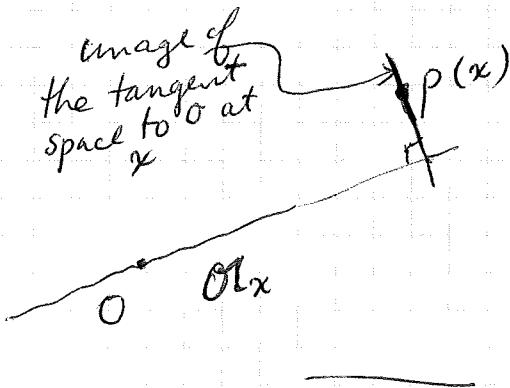
Let $x \in \mathcal{O}$. The tangent space to \mathcal{O} at x is $[i\mathbb{R}, x]$ and its image $p[i\mathbb{R}, x]$ is \perp to η when

$$\boxed{\langle \eta, [i\mathbb{R}, x] \rangle = \langle [\eta, x], i\mathbb{R} \rangle = 0}$$

$$\text{i.e. } [\eta, x] = 0.$$

~~elements of~~ i.e. $\eta \in \text{or}_x = \text{elts of or commuting with } x$

Thus $p \boxed{}$ maps the tangent space to \mathcal{O} at x , to the space thru $p(x)$ parallel to $(\text{or}_x)^\perp$



Idea: Does this thm. have anything to do with J-matrices? Take $K = \text{SU}_n$. Then we have

$$J \subset \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{P} \text{or}$$

where J is the set of J-matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 & a_1 \\ a_1 & \ddots & \vdots & a_{n-1} \\ & \ddots & \ddots & a_{nn} \\ & & a_{n-1} & b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_i &> 0 \\ \sum b_i &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

with the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ of the orbit \mathcal{O} (thus these must be distinct for the problem to have a meaning)

Then we know J can be described ~~in terms of~~ in terms of all probability measures $\sum_i r_i \delta_{\lambda_i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum r_i &= 1 \\ r_i &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

supported on $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$. Thus

$$\dim J = n-1 = \dim \sigma.$$

and one can ask whether J, O have the same image in σ .

The answer seems to be NO because we know that the origin should be in ~~$p(O)$~~ $p(O)$. On the other hand a J -matrix with 0 entries on the diagonal belongs to a probability measure which is symmetric about the origin. So O will not be in $p(J)$ when $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$ is not symmetric.

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Kostant's thm. in the case of SU_n . Take the orbit in \mathfrak{p} = hermitian matrices of trace zero of the diagonal matrix Λ with entries $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, say distinct. A typical element of the orbit is of the form

$$(v_1 \dots v_n)^* \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} (v_1 \dots v_n) = (v_i^* \Lambda v_j)$$

where v_i is an orthonormal basis. If $v_i = (v_{ji})_{1 \leq j \leq n}$ then the diagonal entries are

$$\begin{aligned} v_i^* \Lambda v_i &= \sum_j \overline{v_{ji}} \lambda_j v_{ji} \\ &= \sum_j \lambda_j |v_{ji}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

But recall that for any unitary matrix

$$(v_1, \dots, v_n) = (v_{ij})$$

that the matrix $(|v_{ij}|^2)$ is doubly-stochastic. ■ Also the Birkhoff-von Neumann thm. says that the set of doubly-stochastic matrices is the convex hull of the permutation matrices. Thus if we write $(|v_{ij}|^2)$ as a convex linear combination of permutation matrices we see that the vector $(v_i^* \Lambda v_i)$ is in the convex hull of the Weyl orbit of Λ .

Maybe it's true that the map

$$\begin{aligned} T \backslash SU_n / T &\longrightarrow \text{doubly-stochastic} \\ &\quad \text{matrices} \\ (v_{ij}) &\longmapsto |v_{ij}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

is bijective. The conditions $\sum_j p_{ij} = 1$, $\sum_i p_{ij} = 1$ are really $2n-1$ conditions, so the dim of the d.s. mat. is

$n^2 - 2n + 1$. SU_n/T has dim $(n^2 - 1) - (n - 1) = n^2 - n$ and so $T|_{SU_n/T}$ has dim $n^2 - n - (n - 1) = n^2 - 2n + 1$.

Assuming \otimes is surjective we get Kostant's thm. because if we take a convex linear combination of ~~points~~ points in the Weyl group orbit of λ , this ~~lifts~~ lifts to a convex linear combination of permutation matrices, i.e. a doubly-stochastic matrix, which lifts (assuming \otimes onto) to an element of SU_n .

Atiyah's version: Let M be a ^{connected} symplectic manifold, compact, and suppose one has a symplectic action $T^n \times M \rightarrow M$, T^n an n -torus, such that each of the ~~associated~~ vector fields comes from a function, e.g. M 1-connected. Thus ~~we have~~ we have n Hamiltonian functions f_1, \dots, f_n such that X_{f_i} are commuting vector fields giving a periodic action. Then we have ~~the~~ the "moment" map

$$f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

and he proves

(A) Image of the moment map is the convex hull of a finite set $\{c_i\} = \text{Image of } M^{T^n} \text{ under } f$

(B) $f^{-1}(c)$ connected for all $c \in f(M)$.

Now A for T^n action follows from B for a suitable T^{n-1} action. Somehow you take a line in \mathbb{R}^n and show the inverse image is connected. You can assume the line is "rational" so that the ~~linear~~ linear combs. of the f_i constant on it have vector fields belonging to a

subtors $T^{n-1} \subset T^n$.

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The interesting part is (B). First look at $n=1$ whence we have a circle action $S^1 \times M \rightarrow M$ with vector field X_f . ~~This means that the values of M^{S^1} will be~~
To show $f^{-1}(c)$ connected one uses ~~the field of~~
~~critical points~~ Morse theory - it's enough to show f has no critical submanifolds (assume these are non-degenerate) of index 1 or $n-1$. But the critical points of f are the fixpts for the circle action M^{S^1} and the normal bundle has a complex structure, the Hessian of f will be the real part of a hermitian form on the normal bundle, hence the index will be even.

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Counterexample to the hope that

$$T|U_n/T = \text{doubly-stochastic } n \times n \text{ matrices.}$$

Take $n=3$. Consider a doubly-stochastic matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & a' & a'' \\ b & b' & b'' \\ c & c' & c'' \end{pmatrix}$$

where $a, b, c > 0$. Any unitary matrix giving rise to this can be premultiplied by something in T so that its first column is $\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a} \\ \sqrt{b} \\ \sqrt{c} \end{pmatrix}$. Then the second column

will be of the form $\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{aa'}e^{i\theta_1} \\ \sqrt{bb'}e^{i\theta_2} \\ \sqrt{cc'}e^{i\theta_3} \end{pmatrix}$ where $\sqrt{aa'}e^{i\theta_1} + \sqrt{bb'}e^{i\theta_2} + \sqrt{cc'}e^{i\theta_3} = 0$

Thus if $c'=0$ we ~~must~~ must have $\sqrt{aa'} = \sqrt{bb'}$. So ~~if~~ if you take the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & 0 & \frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

it is doubly-stochastic, yet it can't come from a unitary matrix, because there is no way to assign angles so that orthogonal ~~unit~~ unit vectors will ~~give~~ give ~~a~~ rise to the first two columns.

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Idea: Review $\Omega(K)$ and Laurent polynomials.

Here K is a compact connected Lie gp like U_n and the theorem is that $\Omega(K)$ has the minimal model given by the space of Laurent polynomial maps $S^1 \rightarrow K$ preserving basepoint.

Perhaps the good viewpoint is $\boxed{\text{to think of } \Omega U_n}$ as describing $n\text{-dimensional}$ vector bundles over the Riemann sphere. One will get various models for such vector bundles, all of which consist of a group acting on a space. Let's consider the Bott-Atiyah version. One fixes the rank and degree and considers a given C^∞ vector bundle E with this rank + degree and with hermitian structure. Then there is a 1-1 correspondence between holomorphic structures on E and connections preserving the hermitian structure. The space of connections is a contractible space X which is acted on by the gauge group \mathcal{H} of all automorphisms of E .

Next return to old idea of $X = \text{maps } S^1 \rightarrow K$. Then this is the group of autos. of the trivial K -bundle $S^1 \times K$ over S^1 . Connections are essentially differential equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x$$

where $A(t) \in \text{Lie}(K)$ is periodic, hence a function of $z = e^{2\pi it} \in S^1$. To the connection belongs the solution $\boxed{\text{matrix}} \quad u(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow K$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} u(t) &= A(t) u(t) \\ u(0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Given $\varphi : S^1 \rightarrow K$, its $\boxed{\text{action}}$ on $u(t)$ will be

$$\varphi(t) u(t) \varphi(0)^{-1}$$

To see this note $U(t+1) = U(t)U(1)$ and that
 $\tilde{U}(t) = \varphi(t)U(t)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{U}(t+1) &= \varphi(t)U(t)U(1) \\ &= \tilde{U}(t)U(1)\end{aligned}$$

Hence to normalize so that $\tilde{U} = 1$ at $t=0$ we put

$$\tilde{U}(t) = \varphi(t)U(t)\boxed{\varphi(0)^{-1}}$$

The corresponding action of φ on A is

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}\tilde{U}(t) &= \varphi'U\varphi(0)^{-1} + \varphi\cancel{U'}\varphi(0)^{-1} \\ &\quad A\cancel{U} \\ &= \varphi'\varphi^{-1}\tilde{U} + \varphi A\varphi^{-1}\tilde{U}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\tilde{A} = \varphi'\varphi^{-1} + \varphi A\varphi^{-1}$$

which is the usual formula for the gauge group acting on connections.

So we recover the action of $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}$ on X by the formula

$$\varphi, h \mapsto \varphi(t)h(t)\varphi(0)^{-1}$$

In the very good Laurent case, \mathcal{K} = Laurent poly maps $S^1 \rightarrow K$, and X consists of all transforms under \mathcal{K} of the paths $h(t) = e^{tx} \quad x \in \text{Lie}(K)$.

This corresponds to constant connection forms A .

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I want to understand why $\mathcal{Q}(K)$ has a natural symplectic structure. More generally this should be true for any K orbit on X , i.e. paths joining 1 to a conjugacy class.

I am thinking of X as a set of either paths $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow K$, $h(0) = 1$ or as connection forms $A: S^1 \rightarrow K$, these being related by

$$A = h' h^{-1}$$

The action of $\varphi \in K$ upon X is given by

$$\varphi * h = \varphi h \varphi(1)^{-1}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi * A &= (\varphi h \varphi(1))^{-1} (\varphi h \varphi(1)^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= (\varphi' h + \varphi h') h^{-1} \varphi^{-1} = \varphi' \varphi^{-1} + \varphi A \varphi^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore if $\varphi = 1 + \varepsilon X \pmod{\varepsilon^2}$ is a tangent vector to the identity of K , we have

$$\varphi * A = A + (X' + [X, A])$$

Thus the tangent space to the K orbit thru A contains all

$$X' + [X, A]$$

with $X: S^1 \rightarrow K$.

So the project now is to produce a non-degenerate skew-symmetric form on this tangent space. Let's consider the case $K = S^1$. Then the tangent space consists of all $X' = B$, i.e. all $B: S^1 \rightarrow i\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$ such that $\int_0^1 B dt = 0$. A convenient ^{skew-symmetric} form is

$$(B_1, B_2) = \int_0^1 B_1 dB_2 = - \int_0^1 B_2 dB_1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{since } \int B_1 dB_2 &\neq \int B_2 dB_1, \\ &= \int d(B_1, B_2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This clearly vanishes if either B_1, B_2 is constant so it is a good form on the tangent space.

Compute the form on the complexification which has the basis $z^n, n \neq 0$.

$$(z^m, z^n) = \int_0^{2\pi} z^m n z^{n-1} dz$$

$$= 2\pi i \int_0^{2\pi} z^{m+n} dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m+n \neq 0 \\ 2\pi i n & m+n=0. \end{cases}$$

So this is clearly nice and non-degenerate.

The next project is to extend this to a non-abelian group K . Now we have these minimal models where \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are Laurent polynomial matrices. Thus

$$\text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}) = \text{of} \otimes \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$$

$$\text{Lie}(\mathcal{K}) = \text{fixed part for the involution of } \mathcal{G} \text{ made up of above which is } * \text{ on of and } z^* = z^{-1}.$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}) &= \text{of}[z^{-1}] + \text{of}[z] \\ &= \underbrace{\text{of}[z^{-1}]z^{-1}}_{\text{of}} \oplus \text{m}^* \oplus \text{h} \oplus \text{m} \oplus z \text{ of}[z] \end{aligned}$$

I think it should be true that these spaces are both isotropic for the symplectic structure, since they belong to unipotent part of an Iwahori subgroup.

So ~~the~~ the first thing to understand is what happens to the symplectic structure in the case of $\text{of} = \text{m}^* \oplus \text{h} \oplus \text{m}$.

Let's therefore review the Kirillov business. Let G be a Lie group acting naturally on of^* , $\text{of} = \text{Lie}(G)$. Take $\lambda \in \text{of}^*$ and consider the form $\lambda([x, y])$ on $\text{of} \times \text{of}$.

The stabilizer of λ has Lie alg. \mathfrak{g}_λ consisting of all $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ such that $x \cdot \lambda = 0$. But $x \cdot \lambda$ is the form $y \mapsto -\lambda(\text{ad } x(y)) = -\lambda([x, y])$. Thus $\lambda([\underline{x}, \underline{y}])$ is a skew-symmetric form on $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{g}_\lambda$ clearly non-degenerate since $\lambda[x, y] = 0$ for all $y \Rightarrow x \cdot \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x \in \mathfrak{g}_\lambda$. Therefore the orbit $G\lambda$ has a natural non-deg. 2 form which is invariant for the G -actions.

Why is this 2 form closed?

Conversely if M is a symplectic manifold on which G acts as autos., then we get a map of Lie algebras

$$\mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow \text{Hamiltonian Vector fields}$$

But one has a ^{central} extension of Lie algebras

$$\mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{functions} \\ \text{on } M \text{ under} \\ \{\cdot, \cdot\} \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \text{Hamiltonian Vectors f.d.s.}$$

so that if $H^2(\mathfrak{g}, \mathbb{R}) = 0$, you get a lifting

$$\mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow \text{functions on } M$$

and hence a map $M \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$.

Finally for \mathfrak{g} semi-simple one can identify \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{g}^* by the Killing form, so orbits in \mathfrak{g}^* are the same as orbits in \mathfrak{g} . But we can also get a formula.

Let's consider then the group $K = \text{SL}_n$, $G = \text{SL}_n$

Take a generic $i\xi \in \text{Lie}(T) = \text{ior}$, and consider the form

$$x, y \mapsto \langle i\xi, [x, y] \rangle$$

on \mathbb{R}/ior . Here $\langle x, y \rangle = -\text{tr}(xy) = \text{tr}(x^*y)$

is ~~non-degenerate~~ a non-degenerate inner product. So

$$\begin{aligned}\langle i\xi, [x, y] \rangle &= \langle i[\xi, x], y \rangle \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} \alpha(\xi) \langle ix_\alpha, y_\alpha \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Here ix_α has to be computed in terms of the complex structure on $\mathfrak{h}/\mathfrak{h}_0$. Thus ~~the~~ the Euclidean inner product \langle , \rangle is the real part of the Hermitian product

$$\begin{aligned}\langle ix_\alpha, y_\alpha \rangle &= \operatorname{Re}(ix_\alpha, y_\alpha) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} i(x_\alpha, y_\alpha) = -\operatorname{Im}(x_\alpha, y_\alpha)\end{aligned}$$

and so the form is

$$x, y \mapsto - \sum_{\alpha} \alpha(\xi) \operatorname{Im}(x_\alpha, y_\alpha)$$

so to be specific $\alpha = (i, j)$, $i < j$. ~~the~~

Let's be more precise. A root of SL_n is a pair i, j with $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ and $i \neq j$. Thus one has root vectors $x_{ij} =$ a single 1 in i -th row, j -th column.

$$\alpha_{ij}(H) = H_i - H_j$$

if H is a diagonal matrix. We are above all interested in the case where the fundamental chambre is given by $\xi_1 > \xi_2 > \dots > \xi_n$ whence positive roots are α_{ij} with $i < j$.

$$\text{Take } X = \begin{pmatrix} x_{ij} \\ -\bar{x}_{ij} \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_{ij} \\ -\bar{y}_{ij} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } X = \sum_{\alpha > 0} x_\alpha X_\alpha - \bar{x}_\alpha X_{-\alpha}$$

$$Y = \sum_{\alpha > 0} y_\alpha X_\alpha - \bar{y}_\alpha X_{-\alpha}$$

$$\text{and } [i\xi, X] = \sum i\alpha(\xi) x_\alpha X_\alpha + i\alpha(\xi) \bar{x}_\alpha X_{-\alpha}$$

$$\text{so } \langle [i\xi, X], Y \rangle = \sum_{\alpha > 0} \operatorname{Re}(i\alpha(\xi) x_\alpha, \bar{y}_\alpha) = \sum_{\alpha > 0} \alpha(\xi) \operatorname{Im}(x_\alpha, \bar{y}_\alpha)$$

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Kirillov setup. \mathcal{O} = orbit in g^* . If $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}$, then

$g/\mathcal{O}_\lambda \rightarrow$ Tangent space to \mathcal{O} at λ

and

$x, y \longmapsto \langle \lambda, [x, y] \rangle$ gives a

skew-symmetric non-degenerate form on $T_\lambda(\mathcal{O})$. Thus we get a canonical 2-form on \mathcal{O} . Notice also that each $x \in g$ determines a function f_x on \mathcal{O} by

$$f_x(\lambda) = \langle \lambda, x \boxed{} \rangle$$

Let's compute df_x . Thus we want to evaluate

$$i(Y)df_x = \theta(Y)f_x \quad \text{at } \lambda \in \mathcal{O}$$

and we have

$$0 = \theta(Y)[f_x(\lambda)] = (\theta(Y)f_x)(\lambda) + \underbrace{f_x(\theta(Y)\lambda)}_{\text{"}}$$

$$\therefore \langle \lambda, [x, y] \rangle = -\langle \lambda, [y, x] \rangle = \langle \theta(Y)\lambda, x \rangle$$

$$\Omega_\lambda(x, y) = i(y)i(x)\Omega \quad \text{at } \lambda$$

Thus we get the formula ~~Ω~~

$$\boxed{df_x = i(x)\Omega}$$

which says that X is the vector field belonging to the function f_x . Also we have

$$i(x)d\Omega = \underbrace{\theta(x)\Omega}_{\text{0 because } \Omega \text{ is invariant}} - \underbrace{d(i(x)\Omega)}_{df_x} = 0$$

Ω is invariant

for all X showing that $\boxed{d\Omega = 0}$.

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$$\mathcal{X} = \text{maps } \varphi: S^1 \rightarrow K$$

 = autos of trivial principal bundle $S^1 \times K \rightarrow S^1$

\mathcal{X} = connections on the bundle
 \cong maps $A: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Thus if $K = \text{autos of a vector space}$ (say $K = SU_n$)
 then the differential operator D measuring deviation from flatness is $D = \frac{d}{dt} - A$.

The action of \mathcal{K} on \mathcal{X} is

$$\varphi * A = \varphi A \varphi^{-1} + \varphi' \varphi^{-1}$$

which results from

$$\varphi \left(\frac{d}{dt} - A \right) \varphi^{-1} = \frac{d}{dt} - \varphi \varphi^{-1} \varphi' \varphi^{-1} - \varphi A \varphi^{-1}.$$

Finally the induced action of \mathcal{K} on \mathcal{X} is

$$\mathcal{X} * A = [X, A] + X'$$

$$\text{i.e. } [X, \frac{d}{dt} - A] = -[X, A] - X'.$$

Note that $X * A$ belongs to the tangent space to \mathcal{X} at A , but this can be identified with \mathcal{K} , because \mathcal{X} is an affine space with group \mathcal{K} .

For the symplectic structure, recall what happens in the Kirillov situation. Then $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathcal{K}$ and on an orbit one define f_X by

$$f_X(\lambda) = \langle \lambda, X \rangle$$

where \langle , \rangle = pairing $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (i(Y) df_X)(\lambda) &= (\theta(Y) f_X)(\lambda) = -f_X(\theta(Y)\lambda) \\ &= -\langle \theta(Y)\lambda, X \rangle = \langle \lambda, \theta(Y)X \rangle \\ &= \langle \lambda, [Y, X] \rangle = \underset{\text{definition of } \Omega}{=} (i(Y)i(X)\Omega)(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

which yields the ^{key} formula

$$df_x = i(x)\Omega$$

saying that X is the Hamiltonian vector field on the orbit belonging to the function f_x .

so on $\mathbb{K} = \text{maps } X: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ we pick the inner product

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \int (x, y) dt$$

where $(,)$ is an invariant inner product on \mathbb{K} (e.g. $\text{tr}(x^*y)$ in the case of U_n). Now define f_x on \mathcal{X} by the formula

$$f_x(A) = \langle A, x \rangle$$

where we have identified \mathbb{K} and \mathcal{X} by using $0 \in \mathcal{X}$ as origin (another origin changes f_x by a constant which doesn't affect df_x). Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (-i(y) df_x)(A) &= -f_x(\theta(y)A) \\ &= -\langle y^*A, x \rangle \\ &= -\langle [y, A] + y', x \rangle \\ &= \langle A, [y, x] \rangle - \underbrace{\langle y', x \rangle}_{-\int (y', x) dt} \end{aligned}$$

This is clearly skew-symmetric, and earlier calculations show that at least for $A = 0$, it is non-degenerate. So we should get a symplectic structure on at least the orbit of 0 which is $\mathbb{K}/K \cong \mathcal{L}(K)$, if not all orbits.

So let's now look at the moment map. One takes the functions f_X where X runs over $\mathfrak{t}^* = \text{Lie}(T)$, viewed as constant loops. Then $\{f_X(A)\}_{X \in \mathfrak{t}^*}$ is essentially the projection of $A \in \mathbb{K}$ onto \mathfrak{t}^* . Recall that

$$\mathbb{K} = \text{"real" subspace of } \underbrace{g[z, z^{-1}]}_{\mathbb{R}} \\ \boxed{\mathbb{R}} = \underbrace{z^{-1}g[z^{-1}] \oplus g[z]}_{\mathfrak{n}^* \oplus \mathfrak{t}^* \oplus \mathfrak{n}}$$

so this orthogonal projection just takes the component in \mathfrak{t}^* . So the projection of $\boxed{\mathbb{R}}$ onto \mathfrak{t}^* takes \boxed{A} and integrates it over S^1 to land in \mathbb{K} , then you project onto \mathfrak{t}^* . Recall that

$$A = h^* h^{-1}$$

so if h lies in T , better $h(t) \in T$ for all t , then our projection is just

$$\int_0^1 A dt = \int_0^1 d \log h = \log h(1).$$

calculated using $h(t)$.

Recall that a \mathbb{K} -orbit on X can be thought of as all paths h joining 1 to a given conjugacy class. The fixpts ${}^0 T$ are paths lying in T ending in a Weyl orbit on T . Therefore the moment map μ on ${}^0 T$ looks at the endpoint of the path lifted into \mathfrak{t}^* , and so you get an extended Weyl group orbit. The convex hull of this should be all of \mathfrak{t}^* .

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New idea: There is an additional symmetry on the set X of connections which is furnished by translation on the group S^1 . Recall that I am thinking of connections on the trivial principal bundle $S^1 \times K \rightarrow K$. I like to think of $K = SU_n$ so that a connection is an operator on sections of the trivial vector bundle $S^1 \times \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$; the operator has the form

$$D = \partial - A \quad \text{where } \partial = \frac{d}{dt} \text{ and } A: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_K.$$

(Actually the whole group of diffeos of S^1 acts on X).

What are the orbits on X for this larger group of symmetries $S^1 \tilde{\times} K$? Recall that K orbits on X are described by conjugacy classes in K . One takes a connection and integrates it to get a path $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow K$ with $h(0) = 1$, $h'h^{-1} = A$. Then the K -orbit of A is described by the conjugacy class of $h(1)$, because we know $\varphi * h$ is $\varphi(1) h(t) \varphi(1)^{-1}$, which has the endpoint $\varphi(1) h(1) \varphi(1)^{-1}$. Now we want to see if translation of A leads to the same or different conjugacy class. So consider $\tilde{A}(t) = A(t + t_0)$. Then

$$\tilde{h}(t) = h(t + t_0) h(t_0)^{-1}$$

since $\tilde{h}'\tilde{h}^{-1} = h'(t + t_0) h(t_0)^{-1} h(t) h(t + t_0)^{-1} = A(t + t_0) = \tilde{A}(t)$. Thus the endpoint is

$$\tilde{h}(1) = h(1 + t_0) h(t_0)^{-1}$$

But we know $h(1 + t) = h(t) h(1)$ (take $t_0 = 1$ above) then $\tilde{h}(t) = h(t) = h(t + 1) h(1)^{-1}$. So

$$\tilde{h}(1) = h(t_0) h(1) h(t_0)^{-1}$$

and we conclude that the orbits of $S^1 \tilde{\times} K$ on X

coincide with the K orbits on X .

Another proof is to take A and transform it under K to a constant A_0 , which is then invariant under S^1 -translation. The $S^1 \times K$ orbits of A, A_0 coincide, and the latter coincides with the K -orbit of A_0 .

Recall how the symplectic structure on an orbit is defined. X is an affine space with linear space $\text{Lie}(K)$ so we can identify the two using $A=0$ as origin. Choose an invariant inner product $\blacksquare(\cdot, \cdot)$ on \mathfrak{k} and define the functions on X

$$f_x(A) = \int (x, A) dt \quad f(A) = \frac{1}{2} \int (A, A) dt$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (Yf_x)(A) &= \int (x, Y \ast A) dt \\ &= \int (x, Y' + [Y, A]) dt \\ &= \int (x, Y') + ([x, Y], A) dt \end{aligned}$$

and at least for K abelian, this gives a non-degenerate skew-symmetric product on any orbit. Here's the proof of non-degeneracy in general. Suppose $(Yf_x)(A) = 0$ for all x . Then from

$$\int (x, Y' + [Y, A]) dt = 0$$

and the fact that (\cdot, \cdot) is an inner product we conclude that $Y' + [Y, A] = 0$

i.e. that Y leaves A fixed.

Next

$$\begin{aligned} (Yf)(A) &= \int (A, Y \ast A) dt \\ &= \int (A, Y' + [A, Y]) dt = - \int (A', Y) dt \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(Yf)(A) = \text{symplectic form applied to the tangent vectors } Y^*A \text{ and } A^*A = A' \text{ at } A.$

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Here is a curious sign problem. Let a Lie group G act on a manifold M . Then the group acts on the functions on M by

$$(g^*f)(m) = f(g^{-1}m)$$

hence the Lie algebra of G acts on functions by

$$(X^*f)(m) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{\varepsilon X} * f)(m) - f(m)}{\varepsilon}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{\varepsilon X} * f)(m) &= f(e^{-\varepsilon X} m) \\ &= f(m) + (-\varepsilon) X m + \frac{(-\varepsilon X)^2 m}{2!} \\ &= f(m) - \varepsilon df_m(X) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$(X^*f)(m) = -df_m(X)$$

$$\text{or } X^*f = -i(X)df = -Xf$$

This is not the expected formula, but I think it is forced if you want the formula

$$X^*(Y^*f) - Y^*(X^*f) = [X, Y]_*f$$

Take the example where $G = GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ acting on \mathbb{R}^n , and let f be a linear function on \mathbb{R}^n . The Lie algebra of G consists of all endos. X of \mathbb{R}^n , and the assoc. 1-par. gp is e^{tX} . Thus the vector field on \mathbb{R}^n belonging to $X \in \mathfrak{gl}_n$ assigns to v the tangent vector Xv :

$$e^{tX}v = v + tXv + \frac{t^2 X^2 v}{2!} + \dots$$

Next compute $Xf = i(X)df$ if f is linear.

$$(Xf)v = \frac{f(e^{tX}v) - f(v)}{t} \Big|_{t=0} = f(Xv)$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} (XYf - YXf)(v) &= Yf(Xv) - Xf(Yv) \\ &= f((YX - XY)v) \\ &= -([X, Y]f)(v). \end{aligned}$$

This example shows that if you define Xf in the standard geometric way (rate of change of f in the direction given by X), then this is not an action of the Lie algebra of vector fields on functions, when the bracket of vector fields is defined by

$$[X, Y] = \frac{d}{dt} e^{tX} Y e^{-tX} \Big|_{t=0}$$

so for example take $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$, $Y = x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$. Then e^{tX} sends (x, y) to $(x+t, y)$. So $e^{tX} Y e^{-tX}$ at (x, y) should be $(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$, and so by the above formula the bracket should be

$$\frac{d}{dt} (x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_{t=0} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

But $\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ as operators.

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Review: $X =$ space of connections on trivial bundle $S^1 \times K \rightarrow S^1$, $\mathcal{K} =$ maps $S^1 \rightarrow K$ = gauge group, $\mathbb{R} =$ maps $X: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ = gauge Lie algebra. We think of a connection D as differing from the flat connection $\partial = \frac{d}{dt}$ by an element A of \mathbb{R} :

$$D = \partial - A.$$

Thus the action of $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}$ on X is

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi D \varphi^{-1} &= \partial + \varphi(\varphi^{-1})' - \varphi A \varphi^{-1} \\ &= \partial - \{\varphi' \varphi^{-1} + \varphi A \varphi^{-1}\}\end{aligned}$$

in other notation

$$\varphi * A = \varphi' \varphi^{-1} + \varphi A \varphi^{-1}.$$

If $X \in \mathbb{R}$, this becomes

$$X * A = X' + [X, A].$$

Now given an $\overset{\curvearrowleft}{X}$ one defines a function on \mathbb{R}

by $f_X(A) = \int (X, A) dt$

where (\cdot, \cdot) is an invariant inner product on \mathbb{R} . Then if $Y \in \mathbb{R}$, because f_X is linear

$$\begin{aligned}(Y f_X)(A) &= \int (X, Y * A) dt \\ &= \int [(X, Y') + \underbrace{(X, [Y, A])}_{([X, Y], A)}] dt\end{aligned}$$

and it's clear this is a skew-symmetric bilinear form on \mathbb{R} , invariant under the action of \mathcal{K} . If Y^A are such that this form vanishes for all X , then $Y^A * A = 0$, which means that the restriction of this two-form to \mathcal{K} -orbits on X is non-degenerate. Call this form Ω so that

$$Y f_X = i(Y) i(X) \Omega \quad \text{or} \quad df_X = i(X) \Omega$$

As in the Kirillov situation we get an invariant symplectic structure on each orbit of \mathcal{K} on X such that f_X generates the field X .

Furthermore the function

$$f(A) = \frac{1}{2} \int (A, A) dt$$

satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (Yf)(A) &= \int (A, Y^* A) dt \\ &= - \int (\underbrace{A \times A}_{A'}, Y) dt. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that f generates the vector field on the orbit associating to A the vector A' . This is the vector field resulting from the translation action of S^1 on X .

Fix a max. torus T in K . Then inside the group $S^1 \tilde{\times} K$ is the torus $S^1 \times T$, where we think of T as constant gauge transformations. The fixpts for the translation S^1 are the constant A , hence

$$x^{S^1} = h$$

$$x^{S^1 \times T} = t$$

Now we recall that a K orbit in X can be identified with a conjugacy class in K , namely, given A you integrate

$$h(t) = T\{e^{\int_0^t A}\}$$

and then take the conjugacy class of $h(1)$. So if we have an orbit O , then $O^{S^1 \times T}$ will consist of $A \in t$ such that $e^A \in$ given conjugacy class corresp. to O .

The moment map is determined by f and f_X where X ranges over a basis of t . ~~Since~~ Since

X is constant we have

$$f_X(A) = \int (X, A) dt = (X, \int A dt)$$

so that the part of the moment map belonging to the f_X , $X \in \mathfrak{t}$ can be identified with $A \mapsto \int A dt$

In fact we see that the moment map on all of \mathbb{X} can be identified with

$$A \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (A, A) dt, \text{pr}_t^k \int_0^1 A dt \right) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{t}$$

Let's look at this in the case of $K = S^1$.

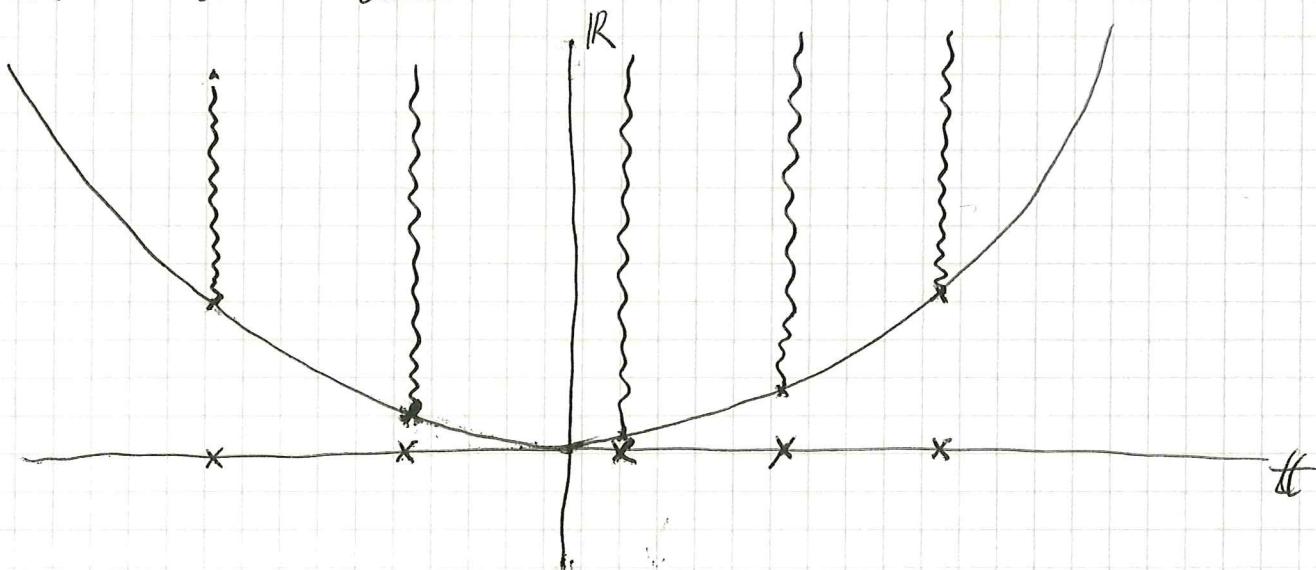
The orbit space \mathbb{X} / \mathbb{X} can be identified with S^1 via the map $A \mapsto e^{\int_0^1 A dt}$

so fixing an orbit amounts to looking at all $A(t)$ such that $e^{\int_0^1 A dt} = \text{a fixed number } f \in S^1$.

since $K = \mathfrak{t}$ in this example, the moment map is

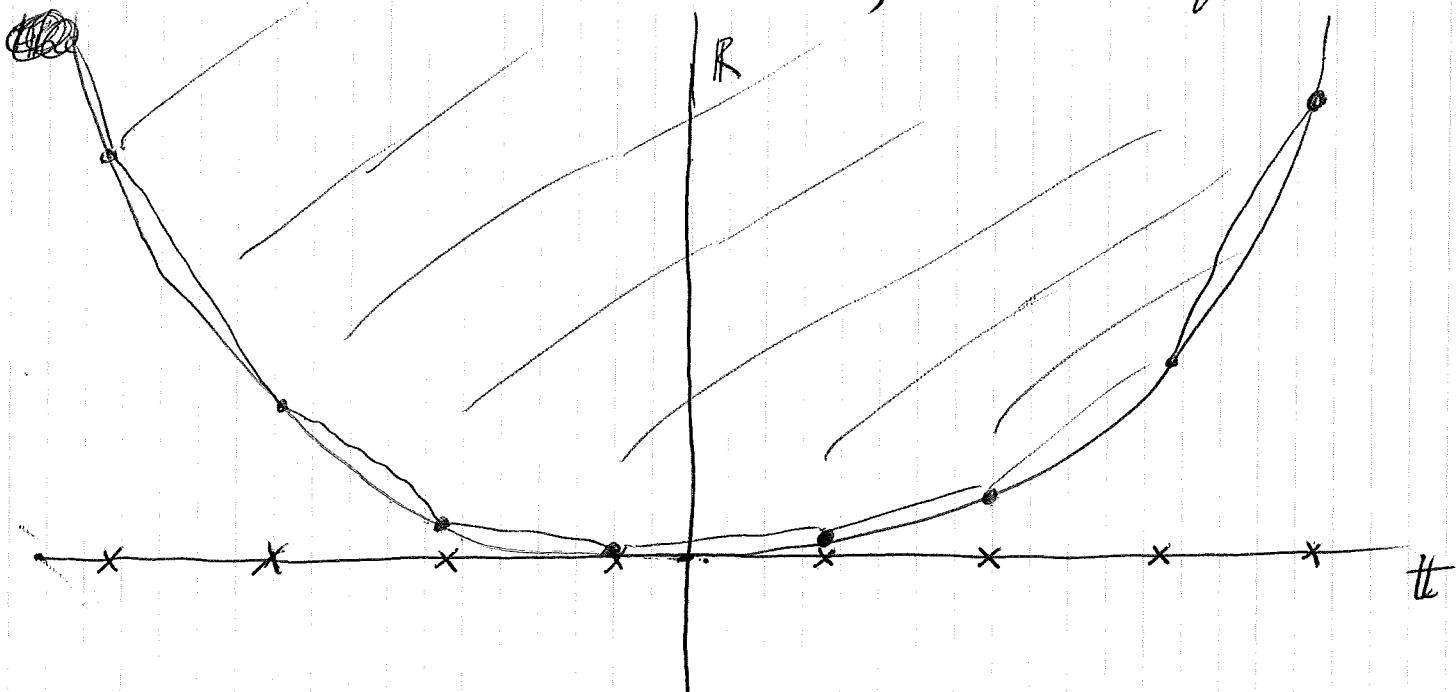
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{X} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{t} \\ A &\mapsto \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 |A|^2 dt, \int_0^1 A dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

and the possible values for $\int_0^1 A dt$ are a coset of $2\pi i \mathbb{Z}$ in $i\mathbb{R} = \mathfrak{t}$. So the image of the moment map on \mathfrak{t} seems to look like



This image is clearly not convex, so it seems that the Atiyah ^{conclusion} breaks down in this example. The reason probably is that the orbits are not connected. In this case the orbits are $\cong K/S^1 = Q(S^1)$ which is disconnected.

The picture in the case of simply-connected K , where the orbits are connected, looks as follows.



The image of the moment map is the convex hull of the points on the paraboloid $y = \frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2$ lying over an extended ^(affine) Weyl group orbit.

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The next project is to work out the representation theory of K . The idea is that to a character of T one can associate a holomorphic bundle over K/T whose sections give interesting representations.

Above all one wants a character formula giving the character of the representation restricted to T .

In the case of $K/T = G/B$ this character formula can be derived from the holomorphic Lefschetz fixpoint formula, so let's review the relevant examples.

Example 1 So let θ be an autom. of a complex vector space V with distinct eigenvalues $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$; $\dim V = r$. Then θ acts on $P(V^*)$ and on the line bundle $\mathcal{O}(1)$. In effect we have the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P(V^*) & \xrightarrow{\tau} & P(V^*) \\ H & \longmapsto & \theta^{-1}H \\ \text{hyperplane} & & \end{array}$$

and a map of line bundles $\tau^*\mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)$ which over H is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underbrace{\tau^*\mathcal{O}(1)(H)}_{\mathcal{O}(1)(\tau H)} & \longrightarrow & \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(1)(H)}_{\parallel} \\ \mathcal{O}(1)(\tau H) & & \parallel \\ V/\theta^{-1}H & \xrightarrow{\theta} & V/H \end{array}$$

The θ fixpoints are the hyperplanes

$$H_i = \bigoplus_{j \neq i} W_{\alpha_j}$$

where W_{α_j} is the eigenspace of θ belonging to α_j .

What we want to do I think is to compute the trace of τ on the stalk $\mathcal{O}(n)$ at H_i formally,

then the sum of these traces should be the trace on the cohomology $H^*(P(V^*), \mathcal{O}(n))$.

$$\mathcal{O}(1)(H_i) = V/H_i \cong W_{\alpha_i}; \text{ here } T = \alpha_i$$

$$\text{gr} \left\{ \mathcal{O}(n)_{H_i} \right\} = \text{Sym} \left(m_{H_i}/m_{H_i}^2 \right) \otimes \mathcal{O}(1)(H_i)^{\otimes n}$$

The tangent space to $P(V^*)$ at H_i is

$$\text{Hom}(\text{sub, quot.}) \cong \text{Hom}(H_i, W_{\alpha_i})$$

so the cotangent space is

$$\text{Hom}(W_{\alpha_i}, H_i); \text{ here } T \text{ has eigenvalues } \alpha_j \alpha_i^{-1} \quad j \neq i$$

Thus

$$\text{trace on } \mathcal{O}(n)_{H_i} \stackrel{\text{formally}}{=} \frac{\alpha_i^n}{\prod_{j \neq i} (1 - \alpha_j \alpha_i^{-1})}$$

and so the fixpoint formula should be

$$\text{trace on } H^*(P(V^*), \mathcal{O}(n)) = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{\alpha_i^n}{\prod_{j \neq i} (1 - \alpha_j \alpha_i^{-1})}$$

We know the cohomology is zero for $-r < n < 0$, so we get the formula

$$\textcircled{*} \quad \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{\alpha_i^m}{\prod_{j \neq i} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)} = \begin{cases} 1 & m = r-1 \\ 0 & 0 \leq m < r-1 \end{cases}$$

Lagrange's formula is

$$\frac{x^m}{\prod_{i=1}^r (x - \alpha_i)} = \sum_i \frac{1}{x - \alpha_i} \frac{\alpha_i^m}{\prod_{j \neq i} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)}$$

for $0 \leq m \leq r-1$, and this implies $\textcircled{*}$ by letting $x \rightarrow \infty$.

Example 2: Consider the holomorphic line bundles L^{33} over $G/B = K/T$ associated to a character \square of T , and take a generic element of T so that the fixpts on K/T are a Weyl group orbit. Let's compute the trace on the stalk of the line bundle over the identity coset. The tangent space is (as a repn. of T)

$$\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{H} = \sum_{\alpha > 0} \mathfrak{o}_\alpha^\alpha$$

so the cotangent space is $\sum_{\alpha > 0} \mathfrak{o}_\alpha^{-\alpha}$, hence the formal trace on the stalk is

$$\frac{e^{i\lambda}}{\prod_{\alpha > 0} (1 - e^{-i\alpha})}$$

$$e^{i\lambda} : T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \quad \begin{matrix} \text{orig.} \\ \text{character} \end{matrix}$$

which we can write

$$\frac{e^{i(\lambda + \rho)}}{\prod_{\alpha > 0} (e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2}})}$$

where $\rho = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha > 0} \alpha$. Then to get the other points you act on this with the Weyl group. \blacksquare The denominator is anti-symmetric, so one gets

$$\text{trace on } H^*(G/B, L_\lambda) = \frac{\sum_{\sigma \in W} (-1)^\sigma e^{-i\sigma(\lambda + \rho)}}{\prod_{\alpha > 0} (e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2}})}.$$

If one \blacksquare now uses vanishing results about the cohomology, e.g. for λ in the ~~fundamental~~ fundamental chamber only H^0 is $\neq 0$, then one gets the Weyl character formula. Notice that taking $\lambda = 0$ gives

$$\sum_{\sigma \in W} (-1)^\sigma e^{i\sigma(\rho)} = \prod_{\alpha > 0} (e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2}})$$

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The project [redacted] now is to understand the repr. theory that goes with K , and that would involve the Iwahori subgroup of $\mathbb{A}G$ analogously to the Borel B in G . The critical idea perhaps goes as follows. Take $K = S'$. For K we take the "minimal" form of all Laurent polynomial loops. Thus

$$K \cong \mathbb{Z} \times S' = \{z^n \mathbb{I} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{I} \in S'\}$$

where I try the following notation. \mathbb{I} is an arbitrary point of S' , z is the function on S' sending \mathbb{I} to \mathbb{I} . Thus $z^n \mathbb{I}$ sends a point \mathbb{I} to $z^n \mathbb{I}$.

Now $\mathbb{Z} \times S'$ is abelian and so its irreducible representations are just characters. But now bring in the translation S' acting on K . In general let $\alpha \in S'$ act on $f: S' \rightarrow K$ by

$$(\alpha f)(\mathbb{I}) = f(\alpha \mathbb{I}).$$

Then the infinitesimal element $1 + i\varepsilon$ in S' acts as

$$((1 + i\varepsilon) f) (\mathbb{I}) = f (\mathbb{I} + i\varepsilon \mathbb{I}) = f (\mathbb{I}) + i\mathbb{I} f' (\mathbb{I}) \varepsilon$$

and so the infinitesimal generator of S' acts as

$$i \frac{d}{dz} = \frac{d}{d\theta} \quad z = e^{i\theta} \quad dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta.$$

on functions on the circle.

I believe that we want to look at representations of the group $S' \times K = S' \times (\mathbb{Z} \times S')$. [redacted]

[redacted] Let τ_α denote translation by α . Then

$$\tau_\alpha (z^n \mathbb{I}) \tau_\alpha^{-1} = (\alpha z)^n \mathbb{I} = \alpha^n z^n \mathbb{I}$$

and so the constant maps $\{\mathbb{I}\}$ are in the center. Thus we have a central extension

$$S^1 \rightarrow S^1 \times (\mathbb{Z} \times S^1) \rightarrow S^1 \times \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\{\circ\} \quad \{\tau_\alpha z^n\} \quad \{\bar{\tau}_\alpha z^n\}$$

and it would be nice if ~~this were a Heisenberg group.~~

Recall that given an abelian group (locally compact) A one can form a canonical central extension of S^1 by $A \times A$ called the Heisenberg group which is faithfully represented on ~~$L^2(A)$~~ or $L^2(A^\vee)$. Hence we might be able to see a nice representation of $L^2(\mathbb{Z})$ is square integrable Laurent series $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} a_n z^n$. Define

$$\{\tau_\alpha z^n\} \text{ acting on } \sum a_m z^m = \sum a_m (\alpha z)^{n+m}$$

$$\text{in other words } \tau_\alpha * z^m = \alpha^m z^m$$

$$z^n * z^m = z^{n+m}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (\underbrace{\tau_\alpha * (z^n * (\underbrace{\tau_\alpha^{-1} * z^m}))}_{\alpha^{-m} z^m}) \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \underbrace{\alpha^{-m} z^m}_{\alpha^{-m} z^{m+n}} \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \underbrace{\alpha^{-m} \alpha^{m+n} z^{m+n}}_{= \alpha^m z^{m+n}} = \alpha^m z^{m+n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{(\tau_\alpha z^n \tau_\alpha^{-1}) * z^m}_{\alpha^n z^n} = \alpha^n z^{m+n}$$

so it works.

Let's recall that for A finite of order n , the irreducible repns of the Heisenberg group of A are calculated as follows. First simplify by supposing A of exponent p , and let's work with the extension having ~~center~~ center μ_p . Then A has order $n=p^d$ say. One has characters of $A \times A^\vee$ and

then are irreducible reps for each embedding $\mu_p \hookrightarrow S^1$.

So

$$p^d \cdot p^d + (p-1)(p^d)^2 = p(p^d)^2 = p^{2d+1}$$

which is the order of the Heisenberg group.

Next consider A of exponent p and the H -group $\mu_g \tilde{\times} (A \times \check{A})$ where $p \nmid g$. Then for each character $\mu_g \rightarrow S^1$ we look at its restriction to μ_p .

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mu_g/\mu_p, S^1) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mu_g, S^1) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mu_p, S^1) \rightarrow 0$$

\therefore Each character $\mu_p \rightarrow S^1$ occurs g/p times, so ~~one~~ one counts a given $\mu_p \tilde{\times} (A \times \check{A})$ repn. g/p times. So one gets

$$\frac{g}{p} \cdot p^{2d} + \frac{g}{p}(p-1)(p^d)^2 = \frac{g}{p} \cdot p \cdot p^{2d} = \frac{gp^{2d}}{\text{ord } \mu_p \tilde{\times} (A \times \check{A})}$$



In general given a semi-direct product $H \rtimes A$ with H, A abelian, irreducible reps are by Mackey given by A -orbits in \check{H} and characters on the stabilizer. Thus if $\check{H} = \coprod O_i$, $O_i \cong A/B_i$ then for each character of B_i we can ~~one~~ induce from $H \rtimes B_i$ to get an irreduc. repn of dim $= |A/B_i|$. So the sum of squares of dimensions is

$$\sum_i |A/B_i|^2 \cdot |B_i| = \sum_i |A||O_i| = |A||H| = |H \rtimes A|.$$

So if we want to understand the irreducible repns. of $S^1 \times (\mathbb{Z} \times S^1) = \mathbb{Z} \times (S^1 \times S^1)$, we need the ~~one~~ action of A on $(A \times S^1)^\vee = A \times \mathbb{Z}$. In $A \times (A \times S^1)$ we have elements $a \lambda j$ with $a \lambda a^{-1} = \lambda \cdot \lambda(a)$, e.g. $\tau_\alpha z^n \tau_\alpha^{-1} = z^n \alpha^n$. So if $X : A^\vee \times S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ is given by $X(\lambda j) = \lambda(a)^{jP}$ we

$$\text{have } \chi(a^{-1}Aa) = \chi(\lambda \lambda(a)^{-1}) = \lambda(a_0)(\lambda(a)^{-1})P \not\in P$$

Thus the effect of $a \in A$ on the character $\chi = (a_0, p)$ is the character $(a_0 - pa, p)$. Thus the action of A on $(A^r \times S^1)^r = A \times \mathbb{Z}$ is

$$a * \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 - pa \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ p \end{pmatrix}$$

In the case of $A = \mathbb{Z}$ we have \mathbb{Z} acting on \mathbb{Z}^2 by the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, so what are the orbits?

The action is generated by $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ p \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a-p \\ p \end{pmatrix}$

and so for each $p \neq 0$ there are $|p|$ different orbits, one for each coset mod p . There are infinitely many orbits if $p=0$. In general for each p , the orbits are the cosets mod p .

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Description of irreducible repns. of $S' \times (\mathbb{Z} \times S')$
 $= \{ \boxed{\tau_\alpha z^n} \mid \alpha, \beta \in S', n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$ where
 $\tau_\alpha z^n \tau_\alpha^{-1} = z^n \alpha^n.$

Use Mackey's description for semi-direct products: One begins with a character χ of $\mathbb{Z} \times S'$. Such a character is of the form. $\chi(z^\eta \beta) = \eta^n \beta^P$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\eta, P}(\tau_\alpha z^n \tau_\alpha^{-1}) &= \chi_{\eta, P}(z^n \alpha^n \beta) \\ &= \eta^n (\alpha^n \beta)^P = (\eta \alpha^P)^n \beta^P \\ &= \chi_{\eta \alpha^P, P}(z^\eta \beta) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $S' = \{\tau_\alpha\}$ acts on $(\mathbb{Z} \times S')^\vee$ by

$$\alpha * \chi_{\eta, P} = \chi_{\eta \alpha^P, P}$$

and so for $p \neq 0$, where $\alpha \mapsto \alpha^p$ from S' to S' is surjective we have a single orbit. The stabilizer of $\chi_{1, P}$ is μ_p so to this orbit belong p different irreducible repns.

To ~~obtain~~ obtain them one starts with a character on $\mu_p \times \mathbb{Z} \times S'$ of the form $\chi' \otimes \boxed{\chi_{1, P}}$ where $\chi': \mu_p \rightarrow S'$ and then induces up to $S' \times (\mathbb{Z} \times S')$.

If $p=1$ we then get the natural action of this group on $\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_\alpha * z^m &= \alpha^m z^m \\ z^n * z^m &= z^{n+m} \\ \beta * z^m &= \beta z^m \end{aligned}$$

This is a repn. because

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_\alpha * (z^n (\tau_\alpha^{-1} * z^m)) &= \tau_\alpha * (\alpha^{-m} z^{n+m}) \\ &= \alpha^{-m} \alpha^{n+m} z^{n+m} \\ (\alpha^n \alpha^m) * z^m &= \alpha^n z^{n+m} \end{aligned}$$

This repn starts with the basic character on the subgroup of $\{\tau_\alpha\}$ as $S^1 \times S^1$ given by

$$(\tau_\alpha \circ) * z^0 = \gamma z^0$$

and then this line is moved around by $\mathbb{Z} = \{z^n\}$.

In general given $p \neq 0$ we have the characters

$$(\tau_\alpha \circ) * e_m = \alpha^m \gamma^p e_m$$

where m lies in a coset $i + p\mathbb{Z}$ mod p . These are moved around by $\{z^n\}$ as follows:

$$z^n * e_m = e_{m+pn}$$

This is a repn. because

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_\alpha * (z^n * (\tau_\alpha^{-1} * e_m)) &= \tau_\alpha * (z^n * (\alpha^{-m} e_m)) \\ &= \tau_\alpha * (\alpha^{-m} e_{m+pn}) \\ &= \alpha^{-m} \alpha^m \gamma^p e_{m+pn} = \gamma^p e_{m+pn} \\ z^n \alpha^n * e_m &= \gamma^n p e_{m+pn} \end{aligned}$$

According to the Mackey theory this should be a complete description of the irreducible repns, because for each p we do have (p) cosets. It doesn't work for $p=0$, because then there would be a single e_m and we should have a character for the action of \mathbb{Z} .

For later we will the situation for $S^1 \times (\Gamma \times T)$ where T is a torus with $\pi_1(T) = \Gamma$, so that $T = \Gamma \otimes S^1$. Thus $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}^n$, $T = (S^1)^n$ can be assumed. Then the above formulas

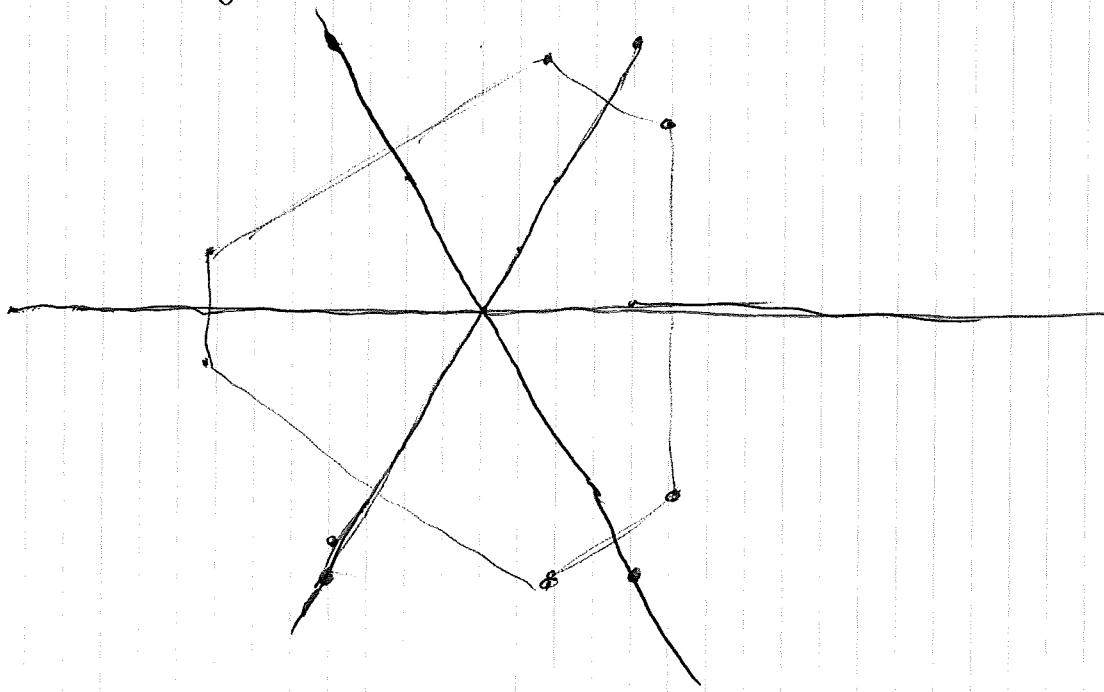
$$(\tau_\alpha \circ) * e_m = \alpha^m \gamma^p e_m$$

$$z^n * e_m = e_{m+pn}$$

make sense provided $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$, $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$, $z^n = (z_1^n, \dots, z_n^n)$. However we don't get all irreducibles.

maybe because the stabilizer of \mathbf{c}_m , i.e. those z^n for which $\mathbf{p}_n = \mathbf{0}$ should act via a possibly non-trivial character. I'll worry about this later.

Here's the idea: In the case of K/T if we take an irreducible repn V of K and look at its weights, that is, the characters of T that occur in V , then we get a convex piece of lattice points in \mathfrak{t}^* .



There should be some way (at least heuristic) to deduce the Kostant thm about projections of a K orbit in \mathfrak{k} being convex from this representation fact. The repn. consists of a quantization of the orbit, so that the characters which occur somehow should correspond in a sly way to projections of points of the orbit on \mathfrak{t}^* .

So the analogue for K is that if we look at the characters of the torus $S^1 \times T$ in a representation of $S^1 \times K$, then we should perhaps get integral points in an Atiyah type convex set.

Take $K = \text{SU}_n$ ($n=2$ eventually). Then we an obvious representation of $S^1 \times K$ on $L^2(S^1)^{\otimes n}$ which has the orthonormal basis $\mathbb{Z}^n e_i$, $i=1, \dots, n$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. These are eigenvectors for $S^1 \times T$ with characters

$$\tau_\alpha \left(\begin{smallmatrix} j_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & j_n \end{smallmatrix} \right) \longmapsto \alpha^n j_i$$

So for $n=2$ we get the characters

$$\tau_\alpha \left(\begin{smallmatrix} j & \\ & j-1 \end{smallmatrix} \right) \longmapsto \alpha^n j^{\pm 1}$$

Somehow this isn't ^{the} correct ~~sort~~ sort of answer so perhaps we have a different type of representation

This time let's take K to be all smooth maps from S^1 to S^1 and ask about representations of K . First of all what are the characters of K ? There is obviously evaluation at any point and similarly to any divisor on S^1 is associated a character: If $D = \sum n_i \alpha_i$, then the character is

$$\varphi \mapsto \prod \varphi(\alpha_i)^{n_i}$$

Since

$$K \cong \Omega^1(S^1) \times S^1$$

and

$$\pi_0(\Omega^1(S^1)) = \pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$$

we also have a homomorphism

$$K \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}.$$

This is ~~just~~ just the degree and is given by

$$\deg(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S^1} \frac{d\varphi}{\varphi}$$

Thus we ~~get~~ get characters by following the degree by a map $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S^1$.

~~The character given by a divisor is homotopy to the character $\varphi \mapsto \varphi(0)$ which has degree.~~

This business of characters + divisors reminds me of

the classical gas. Recall the configuration space of a gas on the space X is the free abelian monoid of positive divisors on X :

$$\prod_{n \geq 0} SP_n(X) = \prod_n \Sigma_n^1 X^n$$

and that the grand canonical partition function is

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \int dx_1 \dots dx_n \prod_{i=1}^n z(x_i) e^{-\beta U_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

where $z(x)$ is a variable "activity". One way to write this is to think of $z: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ as being a homomorphism

$$\prod_n SP_n(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto \prod z(x_i)$$

and that $\sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \int dx_1 \dots dx_n e^{-\beta U_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$ is a measure on the monoid $SP(X)$. Thus the partition function becomes sort of a ~~map~~ Fourier transform of a measure. But now one ~~map~~ pushes forward this measure on the monoid to one on the ^{abelian} group generated by the space X .

So we have a measure on

$$\text{ab. group } \mathbb{Z}[X] = \text{divisors on } X$$

and we compute its F.T. using characters on $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ which come from ~~maps~~ maps $z: X \rightarrow S^1$. But the example ~~of~~ of the degree shows that there are very interesting examples of characters on $(S^1)^X$ which do not come from $\mathbb{Z}[X]$. Namely one has a homomorphism

$$(S^1)^X \longrightarrow [X, S^1] = H^1(X; \mathbb{Z})$$

and one can follow this by any character of $H^1(X; \mathbb{Z})$.

Hence it might be useful to keep in mind

that classical gas configurations ~~are~~ may have to be enlarged so as to get the irreducible states of a classical gas.

Next project is to go over in the SU_2 case the cell decomposition of one of these orbits on the building, so as to compute the sections of a line bundle.

Other viewpoint:

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$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2 = (\mathcal{Y}) \oplus (\mathcal{H}) \oplus (\mathcal{X}).$$

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}] = z^{-1}\mathfrak{g}[z^{-1}] \oplus (\mathcal{Y}) \oplus (\mathcal{H}) \oplus (\mathcal{X}) \oplus z\mathfrak{g}[z]$$

Iwahori subalg = $\mathfrak{h} \oplus \tilde{\mathfrak{n}}$

$\tilde{\mathfrak{n}} = (\mathcal{X}) + z\mathfrak{g}(z)$ has the generators X, zY because

$$[X, zY] = zH \quad [zH, X] = 2zX$$

so one gets all of $z\mathfrak{g}$, and then $[z\mathfrak{g}, z\mathfrak{g}] = z^2\mathfrak{g}$ etc.

■ Introduce the notation

$$X_1 = X$$

$$X_2 = zY$$

$$Y_1 = Y$$

$$Y_2 = z^{-1}X$$

$$\text{Then } [X_i, Y_j] = 0 \quad i \neq j \quad [X_1, Y_1] = H$$

$$[X_2, Y_2] = -H$$

$$\text{and } [H, X_1] = 2X_1 \quad [H, Y_1] = -2Y_1$$

$$[H, X_2] = -2X_2 \quad [H, Y_2] = 2Y_2$$

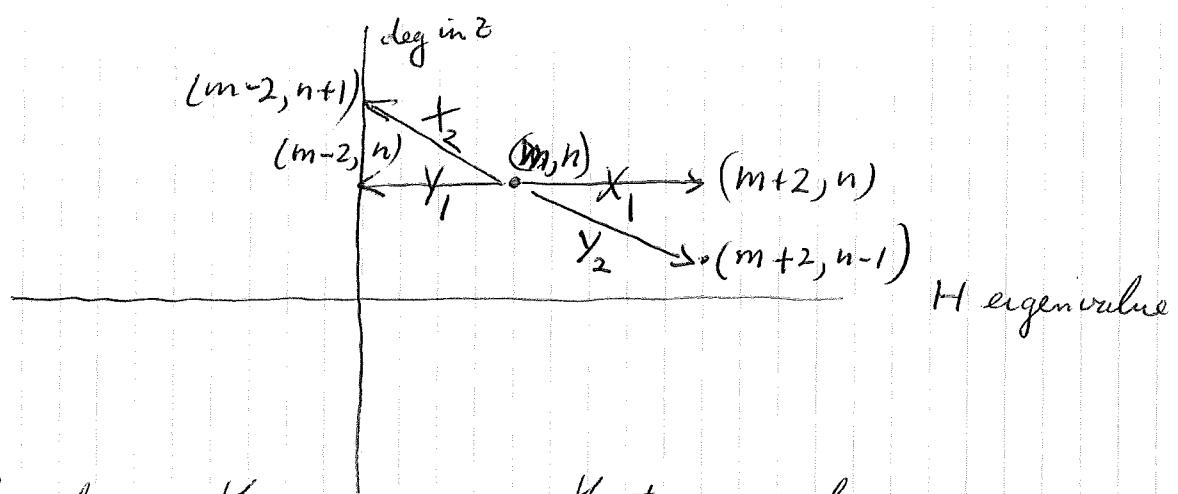
What I'm going to do is look at a repres. of $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ with vector e_λ satisfying

$$He_\lambda = \lambda(H)e_\lambda$$

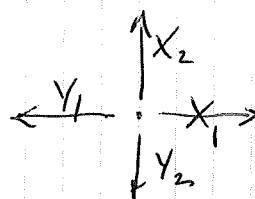
$$X_1 e_\lambda = X_2 e_\lambda = 0$$

and then the repn. should be spanned by ■ vectors of the form $\underbrace{-Y_1 \dots Y_2 \dots}_{\text{word in } Y_1, Y_2} e_\lambda$

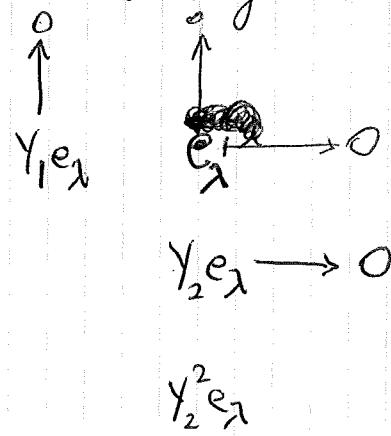
It seems useful to ■ keep track of the degree in the variable z . Notice that each vector $\dots -Y_1 \dots Y_2 \dots e_\lambda$ has a z degree assuming e_λ does. Thus we can plot degrees and H -eigenvalues.



I will skew the axes so that we have



so now let us begin with $X_1 e_1 = X_2 e_1 = 0$.



So you see immediately that the weights are always in a lower left quadrant. If we come across a vector killed by X_1, X_2 which is different from e_1 it will generate a subrepresentation and hence the initial repn. is reducible.

Let's now take $\lambda(H) = 1$: $He_1 = e_1$. Then we know from repn. of sl_2 that $X_1 Y_1^2 e_1 = 0$ as well as $X_2 Y_1^2 e_1 = 0$. So what I said about irreducibility we must have $Y_1^2 e_1 = 0$. In the other direction, we have to be careful about signs.

$$\begin{aligned} X_2 Y_2^2 e_1 &= [X_2, Y_2^2] e_1 = (-H) Y_2 e_1 + Y_2 (-H) e_1 \\ &= -[H, Y_2] e_1 = Y_2 He_1 - Y_2 e_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= -(2y_2) e_1 - 2y_2 e_1 = -4y_2 e_1$$

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Check this: In the 2nd sl_2 one has the standard basis $X_2, Y_2, -H$ because of the relations

$$[x_2, \boxed{\quad} y_2] = -H$$

$$[-H, X_2] = [-H, zY] = 2zY = 2X_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -H_1 & Y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -H_1 & z^{-1}X \end{bmatrix} = -2z^{-1}X = -2Y_2$$

so therefore in order to have finite dimensional reps of the first sl_2 with $X_1 e_\lambda = 0$, $H e_\lambda = \lambda e_\lambda$ one needs $\lambda = 0, 1, 2, \dots$; but for the second sl_2 to have f.d. repns with $X_2 e_\lambda$, $(-H) e_\lambda = (-\lambda) e_\lambda$ one wants $\lambda = 0, -1, -2, \dots$.

Thus let us take the example $\lambda = 1$.

$$y_1^3 y_2 e_1^{-3} \quad y_1^2 y_2 e_1^{-1} \quad y_1 y_2 e_1 \quad y_2 e_1$$

The first thing to ask now is whether $y_1 y_2 e_1 = y_2 y_1 e_1$?
 [REDACTED] These two vectors lie in the $\deg = -1, H=1$ weight space which can't contain something killed by both x_1, x_2 and hence is at most 2 dimensional, and is detected by the effect of x_1, x_2 . So

$$X_1(Y_1 Y_2 e_1) = [X_1, Y_1] Y_2 e_1 + \cancel{Y_1 X_1 Y_2 e_1} = 3 Y_2 e_1$$

$$x_1(Y_2 Y_1 e_1) = Y_2 x_1 Y_1 e_1 = Y_2 e_1$$

$$x_2(Y_1 Y_2 e_1) = Y_1 x_2 Y_2 e_1 = Y_1 [x_2, Y_2] e_1 = -Y_1 e_1$$

$$X_2(Y_2 Y_1 e_1) = \underbrace{[X_2, Y_2]}_{=H} Y_1 e_1 = Y_1 e_1$$

This shows $y_1, y_2, e_1, y_2 y_1, e_1$ are linearly independent.

The next thing to do is to compute the terms of degree -2 such as $\gamma_2^2 e_1$, and to determine the lin. independent terms, but this gets progressively more complicated. Now the operators given by words in γ_1, γ_2 are not all independent, because this would mean that the Lie algebra generated by γ_1, γ_2 is free which I don't think is true, since it has polynomial growth. Thus there should be some relations.

Let's try to compute sections of the line bundle. The orbit K/T for $K = SU_2$ I can think of \square in terms of pairs of lattices $\Lambda_0 > \Lambda_1$ with $\deg \Lambda_0 = 0$ and $\deg \Lambda_1 = -1$. Here the lattices are for $\mathbb{Q}[[z]]$ in the vector space $\mathbb{Q}[[z]][z^{-1}]^2$ over the field of Laurent series. On this orbit is a canonical exact sequence of vector bundles with fibres

$$0 \rightarrow \Lambda_1/\text{wr}\Lambda_0 \rightarrow \Lambda_0/\text{wr}\Lambda_0 \rightarrow \Lambda_0/\Lambda_1 \rightarrow 0$$

A simpler thing to look at is the following: Let's fix a lattice Λ_0 and consider all chains

$$\Lambda_0 < \Lambda_1 < \Lambda_2 < \dots < \Lambda_r$$

of lattices each of codim 1 in the following. Call this space X_r . Then on X_r is a canonical 2 plane bundle E_r with fibre $\pi^{-1}\Lambda_r/\Lambda_r$ and $X_{r+1} = \mathbb{P}(E_r \text{ over } X_r)$, and the subline-bundle $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ has fibres Λ_{r+1}/Λ_r . Can one calculate the sections of the bundle $\mathcal{O}(n)$ over X_r ?

Recall that for $K = \mathrm{SU}_2$, that K/K can be identified with the space of A -lattices Λ in F^2 of degree 0 relative to A^2 . Here F = Laurent series (formal or convergent) and A = power series. Over K/K is a holomorphic 2-plane bundle E with fibre $\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda$ over Λ . If I take the projective bundle $P(E)$ I get the orbit K/T and the quotient line bundle $\mathcal{O}(1)$ is the homogeneous^{line} bundle of interest on this orbit. So if I denote $f: P(E) \rightarrow K/T \rightarrow K/K$ the canonical map, the representation to be computed is all sections of $\mathcal{O}(1)^{\otimes d}$ over $P(E)$. But

$$H^0(P(E), \mathcal{O}(1)^{\otimes d}) = H^0(K/K, f_* \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(1)^{\otimes d}}_{\mathrm{Sym}^d(E)})$$

So now we want ways to associate to a lattice Λ an element of $\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda$, say for $d=1$. For example suppose we restrict to lattices containing a fixed lattice Λ_1 , then any element of $\Lambda_1/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda_1$ will give us such a section.

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Recall that we are thinking of \mathbb{X}/K as the space of lattices of degree 0 in F^2 , where F = Laurent series and we are trying to determine the holomorphic sections of the vector bundle E whose fibre at Λ is the space $\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda$. I think that there are not very many of these sections.

So let us fix a lattice Λ_0 of degree $-r$ and look at the subspace of \mathbb{X}/K consisting of lattices Λ of degree 0 such that $\Lambda_0 \subset \Lambda$. Thus in fact $\Lambda_0 \subset \Lambda \subset \mathbb{Z}^{-\frac{1}{r}}\Lambda_0$, so we have a closed subvariety of a suitable Grassmannian. We now want to determine the sections of E over this subvariety. First case is where $\Lambda = \Lambda_0$ whence the space of Λ is $P(\mathbb{Z}^{-1}\Lambda_0/\Lambda_0)$. The bundle E has fibre $\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda$ at the point Λ , and one has an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Lambda_0/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda/\Lambda_0 \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\mathcal{O}(1)(\Lambda) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{\frac{1}{r}\Lambda_0/\Lambda} \quad E(\Lambda) \quad \mathcal{O}(-1)(\Lambda)$$

Since $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ has no holomorphic sections, we have

$$H^0(E) = H^0(\mathcal{O}(1)) \simeq \Lambda_0/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda_0$$

so now let's generalize. In general let us consider all chains

$$\textcircled{*} \quad \Lambda_0 \subset \Lambda_1 \subset \dots \subset \Lambda_r$$

of lattices, each of codim 1 in the following, with Λ_0 fixed. Denote the space of these X_r and by E_r the bundle with fibre $\Lambda_r/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda_r$ at the point $\textcircled{*}$. Then $X_r = P(E_{r-1} \text{ over } X_{r-1})$ and we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)(\Lambda_0) \rightarrow E_r(\Lambda_r) \xrightarrow{\quad \text{II} \quad} \mathcal{O}(-1)(\Lambda_r) \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow \Lambda_{r-1}/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda_r \rightarrow \Lambda_r/\mathbb{Z}\Lambda_r \rightarrow \Lambda_r/\Lambda_{r-1} \rightarrow 0$$

So if $f: X_n \rightarrow X_{n-1}$ is the ^{canonical} map we have

$$f_*(E_n) = f_*(\mathcal{O}_n(1)) = E_{n-1}$$

and so therefore by induction

$$H^0(X_n, E_n) = E_0 = \Lambda_0 / z\Lambda_0.$$

Since $R^1 f_*(\mathcal{O}(1)) = 0$, this calculation holds for the whole cohomology.

Now consider the bundle $\text{Sym}^2(E)$. Since E is an extension $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow E \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow 0$, we know $\text{Sym}^2(E)$ has a filtration with quotients $\mathcal{O}(2), \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(-2)$, so applying f_* gives an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow f_*(\mathcal{O}(2)) \rightarrow f_*(\text{Sym}^2(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{n-1} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Sym}^2(E_{n-1}).$$

It isn't clear what happens under iteration

Note: In the algebra $\mathfrak{o}[z, z^{-1}]$, $\mathfrak{o} = sl_2$, the elements $X_1 = X, X_2 = zY$ are not free. In effect one has the relation $(\text{ad } X)^3 = 0$ because this holds in \mathfrak{o} and everything commutes with z .

Similarly we have $(\text{ad } Y_1)^3 Y_2 = Y_1^3 Y_2 - 3Y_1^2 Y_2 Y_1 + 3Y_1 Y_2 Y_1^2 - Y_2 Y_1^3 = 0$. Thus we find that there will be non-trivial relations among elements of the form

$$Y_{i_n} \cdots Y_{i_1} e_2$$

in our representation.