

ON THE GROUP OF FORMAL ANALYTIC TRANSFORMATIONS

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1. Let K be an algebraic field. Under a (k -dimensional) formal analytic transformation⁽¹⁾ we mean a k -ple of integral formal power series in k variables x_1, \dots, x_k over K without constant terms. Let a and b be formal analytic transformations;

$$a: f_i(x) = f_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) \\ = \sum a_{j_1 \dots j_k} x_1^{j_1} \dots x_k^{j_k},$$

$$b: g_i(x) = g_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) \\ = \sum b_{j_1 \dots j_k} x_1^{j_1} \dots x_k^{j_k}.$$

$$(j_i \geq 0, \dots, j_k \geq 0, j_1 + \dots + j_k \geq 1)$$

The product ab can be expressed as follows;

$$ab: h_i(x) = f_i(g_1(x), \dots, g_k(x)), \\ (i=1, \dots, k)$$

where it is to be noticed that the coefficients of ab can be determined formally as polynomials of those of a and b . The associativity of this multiplication is easy to verify and we obtain a semi-group F_k composed of all formal analytic transformations, whose identity is

$$e: e_i(x) = x_i \quad (i=1, \dots, k)$$

Next, letting correspond to any element a of F_k the linear part

$$La: f_i(x) = a_{i1} x_1 + \dots + a_{ik} x_k \\ (i=1, \dots, k)$$

we have a linear representation of F_k ;

$$(1) \quad La \cdot Lb = L(ab).$$

Now let E_k be the group composed of all elements having inverses in F_k . E_k may be called the group of k -dimensional formal analytic transformations. An element a of F_k belongs to E_k if and only if La is a non-singular linear transformation. Now we define two subgroups of E_k in the following manner;

$$L_k = \{ a : La = a \},$$

$$R_k = \{ a : La = e \}.$$

Then (1) implies that R_k is an invariant subgroup such that

$$(2) \quad E_k = R_k L_k, \quad R_k \cap L_k = e.$$

Now, let G be a group, and $G, D(G), \dots, D_n(G) = D(D_{n-1}G), \dots$ the descending series of subgroups of G , where $D(G)$ denotes the commutator subgroup of G .

When $\bigcap D_n(G) = e$, we shall call G solvable.

PROPOSITION 1. R is a solvable group.

Proof. Let

$$a: f_i = x_i + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n^i(x) \\ (i=1, \dots, k)$$

be an element of R_k , where $A_n^i(x)$ denotes the homogeneous part of degree n . If a is not the identity, there exists $A_r^i(x) \neq 0$. The smallest number r such that there exists $A_r^i(x) \neq 0$ for some i is called the rank of a : $r(a) = r$. The rank of e is ∞ .

Now let a and b be elements of R_k , of rank r and s respectively;

$$a: f_i = x_i + A_r^i + \text{higher terms},$$

$$b: g_i = x_i + B_s^i + \text{higher terms}.$$

$$(i=1, \dots, k)$$

Then clearly we have

(3) $ab:$

$$h_i = \begin{cases} x_i + (A_r^i + B_s^i) + \text{higher terms}, \\ x_i + A_r^i + \text{higher terms}, \\ x_i + B_s^i + \text{higher terms}, \end{cases}$$

$$(i=1, \dots, k).$$

according as $r=s$, $r < s$, or $r > s$ respectively. Hence in the expressions of ab and ba the terms of degree $\text{Min}(r,s)$ coincide, and this readily leads to the following inequality;

$$(4) \quad r(aba^{-1}b^{-1}) > \text{Min}(r(a), r(b)),$$

which is valid except for $a=b=e$.

Let R_k^t be the subset of R_k composed of all elements of rank at least t ($t \geq 2$). By (3) R_k^t is a subgroup, and we have that $\bigcap R_k^t = e$. On the other hand we can conclude from (4) that

$$D(R_k) \subseteq R_k^2, \quad D_2(R_k) \subseteq R_k^3, \dots,$$

whence R_k is solvable.

2. In this section we consider the case where K is the field of complex (or real) numbers. Then we can introduce a topology (the so-called weak topology) in F , namely the sequence $\{a(n)\}$;

$$a^{(n)}: f_i(n) = \prod_{j=1}^k a_{j,i}^{(n)} x_j^{i_1} \dots x_k^{i_k}$$

$$(i=1, \dots, k)$$

converges to

$$a^{(\infty)}: f_i(\infty) = \prod_{j=1}^k a_{j,i}^{(\infty)} x_j^{i_1} \dots x_k^{i_k},$$

$$(i=1, \dots, k)$$

if and only if every $a_{j,i}^{(n)}$ converges to $a_{j,i}^{(\infty)}$. E_k can thus be considered as a topological group. It is clear that L_k , R_k , and R_k^c are all closed subgroups.

Let us now define the topological commutator group $C(G)$ of a topological group G as the closure of $D(G)$; $\bar{D}(G) = C(G)$. Then we get the descending series of subgroups $\{C_n(G)\}$, where $C_n(G) = C(C_{n-1}(G))$. When $\bigcap C_n(G) = e$, we call G topologically solvable. Then by a slight modification of the proof of Proposition 1 we obtain

PROPOSITION 2. R_k is topologically solvable.

From this proposition follows readily the following

COROLLARY. Let S be a local Lie group in E_k . If S is semi-simple, then $a \rightarrow La$ for $a \in S$ defines a faithful representation.

Now the following lemma, which is a generalization of the so-called uniqueness theorem of H. Cartan, is known.

LEMMA 1.⁽³⁾ Let K be a compact subgroup of E_k . Then K is a Lie group. In detail there exists an element d of R_k such that

$$d^{-1}ad = La \quad \text{for every } a \in K.$$

On the other hand K. Iwasawa called a locally compact group G an (L)-group if G can be approximated by Lie groups.⁽²⁾ We owe to him the following lemmas.

LEMMA 2.⁽⁴⁾ A connected locally compact solvable group is an (L)-group.

LEMMA 3.⁽⁵⁾ A connected (L)-group is a Lie group if it is locally euclidean.

LEMMA 4.⁽⁶⁾ The space of a connected (L)-group is a direct product of that of a (maximal) compact subgroup and a euclidean space.

LEMMA 5.⁽⁷⁾ Let H be a locally compact group, and N a closed invariant subgroup of H . If N is a simply connected solvable Lie group and if the factor group H/N is compact, then there exists a compact subgroup K of H such that $H=KN$.

Using above lemmas we shall prove the following theorem.

THEOREM. A locally compact subgroup G of E_k is a Lie group.

Proof. Let N_1 be the intersection of G and R_k , and N the connected component of N_1 containing e . Since R_k is solvable, so is N . Hence N is an (L)-group by Lemma 2. From Lemma 4 N is topologically a direct product of a compact subgroup and a euclidean space. On the other hand, from (2) and Lemma 1 N contains no compact subgroup but for the identity group. Therefore N is a (simply connected solvable) Lie group according to Lemma 3.

Next let H be an open subgroup of N_1 containing N such that H/N is compact. Then from Lemma 5 there is a compact subgroup K of H so that $H=KN$. Again by Lemma 1 we have $K=e$, $H=N$. Hence N is open in N_1 . Therefore N_1 is a Lie group.

Now the correspondence $a \rightarrow La$ for $a \in G$ gives a faithful representation of G/N_1 into L_k . Hence G/N_1 is also a Lie group. Our theorem follows directly from the extension theorem of Lie groups due to K. Iwasawa and M. Kuranishi.⁽⁸⁾

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- (2) Bochner and Martin: loc. cit., Chapter I, THEOREM 8.
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- (4) K. Iwasawa: loc. cit., THEOREM 10.
- (5) K. Iwasawa: loc. cit., THEOREM 12.
- (6) K. Iwasawa: loc. cit., THEOREM 13.
- (7) Directly from LEMMA 3. 8 of K. Iwasawa, loc. cit.
- (8) K. Iwasawa: loc. cit., LEMMA 3. 18.

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