

# Homogenous Spaces

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**Definition 1** (Homogeneous space). Let  $M$  be a set with a Group  $G$  acting transitively on it, meaning there is a map  $G \times M \rightarrow M$ ,  $(g, x) \mapsto gx$  satisfying the properties:

- i)  $(gh)x = g(hx)$  for all  $g, h \in G, x \in M$ ;
- ii)  $ex = x$  for all  $x \in M$  with  $e$  being the neutral element of  $G$ ;
- iii) for all  $x, y \in M$  there is a  $g \in G$  such that  $y = gx$ .

$(M, G)$  is called a homogeneous space.

**Example 1.**  $S^2 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is a homogeneous space.

Smooth manifolds are structures which are locally euclidian so we can perform Calculus on them. If  $G$  is a matrix group and  $H \leq G$  a closed subgroup (therefore also a matrix group), the set of left cosets is defined by  $G/H := \{gH : g \in G\}$ , for which we can define the quotient map  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$ ,  $\pi(g) = gH$ . We equip  $G/H$  with a topology, where  $W \in G/H$  open  $\Leftrightarrow \pi^{-1}(W) \subseteq G$  is open, and call it the quotient topology.

This can be generalized for  $G$  being a so called Lie Group, meaning it's a smooth manifold which is also a group with a smooth group operation.

**Remark 1.** For an arbitrary surjection  $q : X \rightarrow Y$  of a topological space  $X$  to a set  $Y$ , the resulting topology is called quotient topology with respect to  $q$ .  $q$  is actually continuous under this topology.

**Theorem 1.** If a matrix group  $G$  acts smoothly on a manifold  $M$ . If  $x \in M$  has the stabiliser  $Stab_G(x) \leq G$  and the orbit  $Orb_G(x)$  is a closed submanifold, then  $f : G/Stab_G(x) \rightarrow Orb_G(x)$ ,  $f(gStab_G(x)) = gx$  is a diffeomorphism.

**Example 2.** For  $n \geq 1$ ,  $O(n)$  acts smoothly on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . For any  $v \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $Orb_{O(n)}(v)$  is diffeomorphic to  $O(n)/O(n-1)$ .

## Projective Spaces

The unit group  $\mathbb{R}^\times = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  acts on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  by the action  $zx = xz^{-1}$ . We denote the set of orbits as  $\mathbb{R}P^n$ : the  $n$ -dimensional projective space. Elements of  $\mathbb{R}P^n$  are equivalence classes of the form  $[x] = \{xz^{-1} : z \in \mathbb{R}^\times\}$ .

**Remark 2.**  $\mathbb{R}P^n$  can be identified with the set of all 1-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and equipped with the quotient topology:  $q_n : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^n$ ,  $q_n(x) = [x]$ .

**Proposition 1.**  $\mathbb{R}P^n$  is a smooth manifold, and it's quotient map  $q_n$  is smooth with a surjective derivative.

**Proposition 2.** We have the following diffeomorphisms:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}P^n &\rightarrow O(n+1)/O(n) \times O(1), & \mathbb{R}P^n &\rightarrow SO(n+1)/O(n); \\ \mathbb{C}P^n &\rightarrow U(n+1)/U(n) \times U(1), & \mathbb{C}P^n &\rightarrow SU(n+1)/U(n). \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2** (Parabolic Subgroup). The parabolic subgroup  $P \subseteq SL_2(\mathbb{C})$  is the set of all lower triangular matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} u & 0 \\ w & v \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

**Task:** Prove, that  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})/P \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1$  is a diffeomorphism.

# Seminar Matrix Groups

## Matrix exponentiation

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**Definition 1** (convergence of series in  $M_n(\mathbb{K})$ ). A series  $\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l = A_0 + A_1 + A_2 + \dots$  of elements  $A_l \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$  converges if for each  $i, j$  the series  $(A_0)_{ij} + (A_1)_{ij} + (A_2)_{ij} + \dots$  converges to some  $A_{ij} \in \mathbb{K}$ .

**Definition 2** (matrix exponentiation).  $Exp(A) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n$   
 $exp : M_n(\mathbb{K}) \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{K})$  defined as  $exp(A) = Exp(A) \quad \forall A \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$

**Lemma 1** (properties of the Exp).

- 1.)  $Exp((u+v)A) = Exp(uA)Exp(vA) \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{C}, \forall A \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$
- 2.)  $Exp(A) \in GL_n(\mathbb{K})$  and  $Exp(A)^{-1} = Exp(-A) \quad \forall A \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$
- 3.)  $Exp(ABA^{-1}) = AExp(B)A^{-1} \quad \forall A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{K}), A$  invertible
- 4.)  $Exp(A+B) = Exp(A)Exp(B)$  if  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$  commute

**Theorem 1** (Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff formula).  $Exp(X)Exp(Y) = Exp(Z) \quad \forall X, Y \in M_n(\mathbb{K})$  with  $Z = X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X, Y] + \frac{1}{12}[X, [X, Y]] - \frac{1}{12}[Y, [X, Y]] + \dots$

**Definition 3** (local inverse of exp).  $Log(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} A^n \quad \forall \|A\| < 1$   
 $log : N_{M_n(\mathbb{K})}(I; 1) \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{K})$  defined as  $log(A) = log(A - I) \quad \forall \|A - I\| < 1$

**Lemma 2** (local diffeomorphism).  $exp : N_{M_n(\mathbb{K})}(0; log 2) \rightarrow N_{GL_n(\mathbb{K})}(I; 1)$  is a local diffeomorphism near 0 with local inverse log.

**Definition 4** (integral curve). A path  $\alpha : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is called an integral curve of a vector field  $F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  if  $\alpha'(t) = F(\alpha(t)) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Lemma 3.**  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{K}), \gamma(t) = e^{tA} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

- i)  $\forall X \in \mathbb{K}^n, \alpha(t) = X \cdot \gamma(t)$  is an integral curve of the vector field on  $A$
- ii)  $\gamma(t)$  is an integral curve of the vector field on  $M_n(\mathbb{K})$

**Definition 5** (one-parameter group). A one-parameter group in  $G$  is a continuous function  $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$  which is differentiable at 0 and also satisfies  $\gamma(s+t) = \gamma(s)\gamma(t) \quad \forall s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Theorem 2** (matrix valued differential equations). For  $A, C \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  with  $A \neq 0$  the differential equation  $\begin{cases} \alpha'(t) = \alpha(t) \cdot A \\ \alpha(0) = C \end{cases}$  has a unique solution  $\alpha : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R})$  defined as  $\alpha(t) = Ce^{tA}$

**Exercise 1.** Compute the matrix exponential  $Exp(tA) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$