

Lecture 36 (The one that explains how a ray in G/K might give a parabolic in G)

G simp conn semisimple $K \subset G$ max cpt.

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p} \quad \mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{p} \text{ Cartan subsp.}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{m} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \text{ for } \mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{k}. \text{ Choice}$$

$$\Phi(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{k}, \mathfrak{a}) = \text{root sys. in } \mathfrak{a}^* \quad \boxed{\Phi^+ \subset \Phi} \quad \Delta \subset \Phi^+ \text{ determined.}$$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \quad \mathfrak{n} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha}$$

Minimal parabolic $\mathfrak{m} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{n}$.

Other parabolic: $S \subset \Delta$. $\Phi_S^- := \mathbb{Z}\text{-span } S \cap \Phi^-$

Then $\mathfrak{g}_S = \mathfrak{m} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{n} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Phi_S^-} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha}$. \leadsto parab subgroup.
(connected, self-norm.)

What these give for $SL_n(\mathbb{R})$, $SO(n)$.

\mathfrak{p} = symmetric matrices \mathfrak{a} = diag traceless. $\mathfrak{m} = \{0\}$ (commutes w/ diag \Rightarrow diag)

$$\Phi = e_i - e_j \quad e_i = (d_1, \dots, d_n) = d_i \quad \mathfrak{g}_{e_i - e_j} = \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & & & \\ & \cdot & & \\ & & \cdot & \\ & & & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \quad \cdot \text{ any real.}$$

$\mathfrak{g}_S =$ Block-upper triangular (\mathbb{R})

What these give for $SL_n(\mathbb{C})$, $SU(n)$

\mathfrak{p} = matrices w/ $\bar{X}^t = X$ \mathfrak{a} = diag real traceless \mathfrak{m} = diag pure imag traceless

$\mathfrak{g}_S =$ Block upper triangular (\mathbb{C}) .

Suggestion. Work out what these give for $SU(1,1)/S^1$ or $SO(1,2)/SO(2)$.

Thm parab \iff is the stabilizer of a point in $\partial_{\text{vis}}(G/K)$.

Relation to SVD M invertible.

$M = UDV$ where U, V orthog, D can be taken diag w/ unale decs. real entries. Then typically unique. D unique.

Cor: $M \in U \exp(\alpha) U^{-1} \cdot \kappa_0$ where $\kappa_0 = K$ as a pt. in G/K
 $K = SO(n)$ $G = SL_n(\mathbb{R})$.

Similar: $G = KAK$ $A = \exp(\alpha)$. Then if $g = k_1 \exp(t) k_2$, $k_1 \exp(\alpha) \cdot \kappa_0$ is a flat through $\kappa_0, g \cdot \kappa_0$.

Typically unique if we also demand $g = k_1 \exp(t) k_2$ where $\alpha_i(t) \geq 0$ for all $\alpha_i \in \Delta$ ($\Rightarrow \forall \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}^+$)

Chambers. $\mathcal{O}^+ = \{ \kappa \in \mathcal{O} \mid \alpha(\kappa) > 0 \ \forall \alpha \in \Delta \}$ Open Weyl ch.

$\mathcal{O}_S^+ = \{ \kappa \in \mathcal{O} \mid \alpha(\kappa) \geq 0 \ \forall \alpha \in \Delta, \alpha(\kappa) = 0 \text{ iff } \alpha \in S \}$

$\overline{\mathcal{O}}^+ = \{ \dots \geq 0 \}$ closed Weyl chamber = $\bigcup_{S \subset \Delta} \mathcal{O}_S^+$

Cartan proj. $\mu: G \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{O}}^+$ $\mu(g) = t$ where $g = k_1 \exp(t) k_2$

Then cts, surj.

$$\vec{d}(gK, hK) = \mu(g^{-1}h) \in \overline{\mathcal{O}}^+$$

Then: $d_{\text{Riem}}(gK, hK) = \sqrt{B(v, v)} = \|v\|$ where $v = \vec{d}(gK, hK)$

The "real" Stab theorem is:

Then: let $v \in \mathcal{O}_S^+$. Let $\gamma_v(t) = \exp(tv)$ $\pi = [\gamma_v] \in \partial_{\text{vis}}(G/K)$
 $\|v\|=1$

Then $\text{Stab}(\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} P \\ S \end{pmatrix}$ specific parabolic, determined by S

Idea: positivity translates to asymptoticity preserving.

Distance between $\gamma_v(t)$ and $g \cdot \gamma_v(t)$ is bounded. If g unipotent, $\sim e^{-ct}$.

Let's try this out in an example.

$SL_3 \mathbb{R}$. $\alpha = \{ (a, b, c) \mid a+b+c=0 \}$ $(\alpha, \beta) \cong \mathbb{E}^2$ if $(1, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$ etc map to 3^{rd} roots unit \mathbb{Z}

$$\alpha = e_1 - e_2 \quad \beta = e_2 - e_3.$$

$$\alpha^+ = a > b > c$$

$$\gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{at} & & \\ & e^{bt} & \\ & & e^{ct} \end{pmatrix} \cdot x_0 = \exp(tv)$$

Min parabs $P = \left(\begin{array}{c} \square \\ * \\ \square \end{array} \right)$ should fix $[\gamma]$.

Let $g \in P$.

$$g \cdot \gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 e^{at} * & & * \\ & d_2 e^{bt} & * \\ & & d_3 e^{ct} \end{pmatrix}$$

positive root space.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{d}(\gamma(t), g \cdot \gamma(t)) &= \mu(\exp(-tv) g \exp(tv)) \\ &= \mu(\text{Ad}_{\exp(-tv)}(g)) = \mu \left(d_1 \begin{array}{c} \square \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{array} \right) = \text{bdd!} \end{aligned}$$

exp small.

$-\alpha^+$

What if the distance is bounded? For $g = \exp(y)$ can show y has zero cpts in the neg root spaces ...

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