

-1- Solution of Homework assignment 2

Problem 1

a) Let $Q_t = P \circ \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^t V_\tau dt \circ P^{-1}$

Then $\frac{d}{dt} Q_t = P \circ \frac{d}{dt} \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^t V_\tau dt \circ P^{-1} = P \circ \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^t V_\tau dt \circ V_t \circ P^{-1}$
 $= P \circ \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^t V_\tau dt \circ P^{-1} \circ (P \circ V_t \circ P^{-1}) = Q_t \circ \text{Ad} P V_t$, i.e.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} Q_t &= Q_t \circ \text{Ad} P V_t \\ Q_0 &= \text{Id} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow Q_t = \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^t \text{Ad} P V_\tau dt \quad \square$$

(uniqueness of a Cauchy problem)

b) By variational formula

$$e^{\pm(V + \epsilon W)} = \overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^{\pm 1} e^{\tau \text{ad} V} \epsilon W dt \circ e^{\pm V}$$

From Volterra asymptotic expansion

$$\overrightarrow{\exp} \int_0^{\pm 1} e^{\tau \text{ad} V} \epsilon W dt = \text{Id} + \epsilon \int_0^{\pm 1} e^{\tau \text{ad} V} W dt + \epsilon^2 \int_0^{\pm 1} \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 + O(\epsilon^3)$$

which implies the required asymptotics.

c) Since $\int_0^T e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_1 = 0$ then

$$\int_0^T \int_0^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 = \int_0^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 \circ \int_0^T e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_1 = 0$$

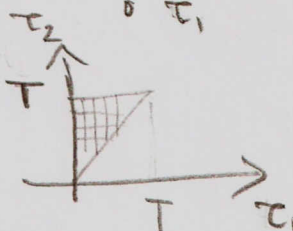
$$\int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 = \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 -$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 -$$

$$- \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 = (*)$$

(in the last formula we used that $\int_0^T \int_0^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_1 dt_2 = \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1 + \int_0^T \int_{\tau_1}^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad} V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad} V} W dt_2 dt_1$)

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 Finally, change the order of integration in the last integral of (*):

$$\int_0^T \int_{\tau_1}^T e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W d\tau_2 d\tau_1 = \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_2} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W d\tau_1 d\tau_2 =$$


$$= \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W d\tau_2 d\tau_1$$

(exchange the role of τ_1 and τ_2)

Substituting this to (*) we get

$$\int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W d\tau_2 d\tau_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} (e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W - e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W \circ e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W) d\tau_2 d\tau_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^{\tau_1} [e^{\tau_2 \text{ad}V} W, e^{\tau_1 \text{ad}V} W] d\tau_2 d\tau_1$$

Problem 2

a) $[V_A, V_B] = dV_B V_A - dV_A V_B$
 $dV_B = B, dV_A = A \Rightarrow$

$$[V_A, V_B](x) = BAx - ABx = (BA - AB)x = V_{BA-AB}(x)$$

b) First find $\text{Lie}_x(F)$ for any x

$$[V_A, V_B](x) = V_{BA-AB}(x) =$$

$$= (BA - AB)x = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) x =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -x_3 \\ 0 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Let } C = BA - AB$$

If $x \neq 0$, $\dim \text{span}(Ax, Bx, Cx) = 2$ because the rank of the corresponding matrix of columns $\begin{pmatrix} x_2 & 0 & x_3 \\ -x_1 & x_3 & 0 \\ 0 & -x_2 & -x_1 \end{pmatrix}$ is equal to 2

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_2 & 0 & x_3 \\ -x_1 & x_3 & 0 \\ 0 & -x_2 & -x_1 \end{vmatrix} = -x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_1 x_2 x_3 = 0 \quad \text{but if one of } x_i \neq 0 \text{ there exists non-zero } 2 \times 2 \text{ minor}$$

Besides, all other Lie brackets are in $\text{span}(Ax, Bx, Cx)$,

because $CB - BC = A$ and $AC - CA = B$.

or equivalently $[V_B, V_C] = V_A$ and $[V_C, V_A] = V_B$

(actually the fields V_A, V_B, V_C are the basis of 3-dimensional Lie algebra $\sim \mathfrak{so}(3)$)

Therefore for $x \neq 0$ $\text{Lie}_x(F) = \text{span}(Ax, Bx, Cx)$

$$\dim \text{Lie}_x(F) = 2$$

The vector fields V_A and V_B are linear \Rightarrow real analytic \Rightarrow

$\text{Lie}_x(F) = T_x O_x$ for any $x \in O_x$, i.e. the

orbits O_x for $x \neq 0$ are 2-dimensional immersed submanifolds of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Since A and B are antisymmetric e^{tA} and e^{tB} are

orthogonal (as a matter of fact e^{tA} is the rotation

around x_3 -axis (by the angle t) and e^{tB} is the rotation

around x_2 -axis (by the angle t)) \Rightarrow the orbit O_x

belongs to the sphere of radius $\|x\|$. Since O_x is

2-dimensional, O_x is an open connected subset of this sphere, therefore it coincides with the sphere.

If $x = 0$ then $O_x = \{0\}$, because $x = 0$ is the stationary point of both V_A and V_B .

Rem Actually, to solve this problem you do not need any theory:

Since the flows of V_A and V_B are orthogonal transformations, then O_x lies in the sphere of radius $\|x\|$ and it is easy to understand how to reach any point of this sphere ^{from x_0} by a concatenation of rotations around x_3 -axis and x_2 -axis!

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 c) Let us calculate $\text{Lie}_x(F)$ for any x

$$\begin{aligned}
 [V_A, V_B]x &= V_B A - A B(x) = (B A - A B)(x) = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) x \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_2 \\ 2x_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $C = B A - A B$

Consider the matrix of columns of $V_A(x), V_B(x), V_C(x)$, i.e. $\begin{pmatrix} x_2 & x_1 & x_2 \\ -x_1 & -x_2 & x_1 \\ 0 & x_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Its determinant is equal to $2x_1 x_2 x_3$

So if $x_1, x_2, x_3 \neq 0$, then $\dim \text{Lie}_x(F) = 3$ (1)

Now continue to take brackets at points with $x_1, x_2, x_3 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [V_C, V_B]x &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) x \\
 &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) x = 2V_A(x) - \text{nothing new}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [V_C, V_A]x &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) x \\
 &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) x = 2 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ -x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

The matrix of columns of $V_A(x), V_B(x), [V_C, V_A](x)$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2 & x_1 & x_1 \\ -x_1 & -x_2 & -x_2 \\ 0 & x_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and its determinant} = x_3(x_2^2 - x_1^2) \Rightarrow$$

If $x_3 \neq 0$ and $x_1^2 - x_2^2 \neq 0$ then $\dim \text{Lie}_x(F) = 3$ (2)

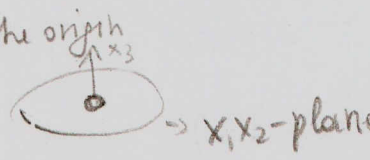
Combining (1) and (2) we get that if $x_3 \neq 0$ and $x_1^2 - x_2^2 \neq 0$ then $\dim \text{Lie}_x(F) = 3$

5- Now consider the case $x_3 = 0$. In this case $V_A(x)$ and $V_B(x)$ are tangent to the plane $x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow$ if x belongs to this plane the orbit O_x is contained in this plane. On the other hand, if x is not the origin, then $V_A(x)$ and $V_B(x)$ are linearly independent $\Rightarrow \dim \text{Lie}_x(F) = 2$ if $x_3 = 0$ and $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$.

The orbit of the origin is the origin (since $V_A(0) = V_B(0) = 0$)

So, if $x_3 = 0$ and $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$ the orbit O_x is an open connected subset of $\{x_3 = 0\} \setminus \text{the origin}$.

Since $\{x_3 = 0\} \setminus \text{the origin}$ is connected then $O_x = \{x_3 = 0\} \setminus \{\text{the origin}\}$



If $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 0$ then $V_A(x)$ and $V_B(x)$ are parallel to the x_3 -axis. \Rightarrow If $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 0$, then O_x is a subset of $\{x_3\text{-axis} \setminus \{\text{the origin}\}\}$

Besides in this case $V_B(x) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \dim L_A(x) = 1 \Rightarrow$

the orbit O_x is an open connected subset of x_3 -axis $\setminus \{\text{the origin}\}$, i.e. O_x is the positive ray if $x_3 > 0$ and the negative ray if $x_3 < 0$.



Finally for all points with $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$ and $x_3 \neq 0$ the orbit is 3-dimensional and it is an open connected subset of $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{x_3 = 0\} \cup \{x_3\text{-axis}\}$. Therefore the

If $x_3 > 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$, then O_x is the upper half-space $\setminus \{ \text{positive ray of } x_3\text{-axis} \}$
 If $x_3 < 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$, then O_x is the lower half-space $\setminus \{ \text{negative ray of } x_3\text{-axis} \}$



Conclusion:	The orbit
$x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ $x_3 \neq 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$	a half-space $\setminus \{x_3\text{-axis}\}$ - 3-dim
$x_3 = 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 \neq 0$	$x_1 x_2$ -plane $\setminus \text{the origin}$ - 2-dim
$x_3 \neq 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 0$	a positive or negative ray of x_3 -axis - 1-dim
the origin	the origin - 0-dim