

\mathcal{G}	Conditions on $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{G}$	\mathcal{L}	Conditions on $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{L}$	n
$GL(N, \mathbb{C})$	-	$gl(N, \mathbb{C})$	-	$2N^2$
$GL(N, \mathbb{R})$	\mathbf{A} real	$gl(N, \mathbb{R})$	\mathbf{a} real	N^2
$SL(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\det \mathbf{A} = 1$	$sl(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\text{tr } \mathbf{a} = 0$	$2N^2 - 2$
$SL(N, \mathbb{R})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A} \text{ real,} \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$sl(N, \mathbb{R})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{a} \text{ real,} \\ \text{tr } \mathbf{a} = 0 \end{array} \right.$	$N^2 - 1$
$U(N)$	$\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$	$u(N)$	$\mathbf{a}^\dagger = -\mathbf{a}$	N^2
$SU(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$su(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{a}^\dagger = -\mathbf{a}, \\ \text{tr } \mathbf{a} = 0 \end{array} \right.$	$N^2 - 1$
$U(p, q)$	$\mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} \mathbf{A}^{-1}$	$u(p, q)$	$\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{g} \mathbf{a}$	N^2
$SU(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$su(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{g} \mathbf{a}, \\ \text{tr } \mathbf{a} = 0 \end{array} \right.$	$N^2 - 1$
$O(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$	$so(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = -\mathbf{a}$	$N^2 - N$
$SO(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$so(N, \mathbb{C})$	$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = -\mathbf{a}$	$N^2 - N$
$O(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \mathbf{A} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$so(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} = -\mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 - N)$
$SO(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \mathbf{A} \text{ real,} \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$so(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} = -\mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 - N)$
$O(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \mathbf{A} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$so(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{g} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 - N)$
$SO(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} \mathbf{A}, \\ \mathbf{A}^{-1} \text{ real,} \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$so(p, q)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{g} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 - N)$
$SO^*(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}, \\ \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{J} \end{array} \right.$	$so^*(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} = -\mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J} \mathbf{a} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 - N)$
$Sp(\frac{N}{2}, \mathbb{C})$	$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{J}$	$sp(\frac{N}{2}, \mathbb{C})$	$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J} \mathbf{a}$	$N^2 + N$
$Sp(\frac{N}{2}, \mathbb{R})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{J}, \\ \mathbf{A} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$sp(\frac{N}{2}, \mathbb{R})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a} \text{ real} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 + N)$
$Sp(\frac{N}{2})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{J}, \\ \mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \end{array} \right.$	$sp(\frac{N}{2})$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a}^\dagger = -\mathbf{a} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 + N)$
$Sp(r, s)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{J}, \\ \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{G} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{G} \end{array} \right.$	$sp(r, s)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{G} = -\mathbf{G} \mathbf{a} \end{array} \right.$	$\frac{1}{2}(N^2 + N)$
$SU^*(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{J}, \\ \det \mathbf{A} = 1 \end{array} \right.$	$su^*(N)$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{a}^* = \mathbf{a} \mathbf{J}, \\ \text{tr } \mathbf{a} = 0 \end{array} \right.$	$N^2 - 1$

Table 8.1: The real Lie algebras \mathcal{L} of some important linear Lie groups \mathcal{G} . \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{a} are $N \times N$ matrices, which are complex unless otherwise stated; \mathbf{g} is an $N \times N$ diagonal matrix with p diagonal elements $+1$ and $q (= N - p)$ diagonal elements -1 , $p \geq q \geq 1$. In the last six entries N is even, and \mathbf{J} and \mathbf{G} are the $N \times N$ matrices defined in Equations (8.35) and (8.36).

In the above table, \mathbf{A} is an invertible matrix, whereas no such condition is imposed on the matrix \mathbf{a} . In addition, the transpose of a matrix is denoted by placing a tilde above the corresponding symbol, the matrix adjoint is denoted by a dagger, and the complex conjugate of the matrix is denoted by a star.

Table 8.1 lists the details of the real Lie algebras belonging to a number of important linear Lie groups that can be obtained this way. In Table 8.1 \mathbf{J} and \mathbf{G} are the $N \times N$ matrices defined by

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1}_{N/2} \\ -\mathbf{1}_{N/2} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (8.35)$$

and

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{1}_r & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1}_s & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{1}_r & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1}_s \end{bmatrix}, \quad (8.36)$$

where $1 \leq r \leq \frac{1}{2}N$ and $s = \frac{1}{2}N - r$.

That the exponential mapping remains invaluable even for *non-compact* linear Lie groups is demonstrated by the following theorem.

Theorem VIII *Every* element of the connected subgroup of *any* linear Lie group \mathcal{G} can be expressed as a *finite* product of exponentials of its real Lie algebra \mathcal{L} .

Proof See, for example, Appendix E, Section 2, of Cornwell (1984).

These results may be *summarized* by the statement that the matrix exponential function *always* provides a mapping of \mathcal{L} into \mathcal{G} . This is *onto* if \mathcal{G} connected and *compact*, and even when \mathcal{G} is connected but *non-compact* every element of \mathcal{G} is expressible as a *finite* product of exponentials of members of \mathcal{L} .

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