

## Graded Lie Algebra

Is a graded algebra with the following additional properties:

For  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Lie algebra

① Grading (obvious)

For all  $a_i \in L_i$  ( $i=0, 1$ ).

$$x_i \circ x_j \in L_{i+j, \text{ mod } 2}$$

② Supersymmetrization: (replaces antisymmetry)

For all  $x_i \in L_i$ ,  $x_j \in L_j$ , ( $i, j=0, 1$ ).

$$x_i \circ x_j = -(-1)^{i \cdot j} x_j \circ x_i$$

③ Generalized Jacobi identities:

For all  $x_i \in L_i$ ,  $x_j \in L_j$ ,  $x_k \in L_k$ , ( $i, j, k=0, 1$ ):

$$(-1)^{ik} x_i \circ (x_j \circ x_k) + (-1)^{ij} x_j \circ (x_k \circ x_i) + (-1)^{jk} x_k \circ (x_i \circ x_j) = 0$$

Although the set of integers form a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded algebra under addition, it does not form a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded Lie algebra because it does not obey supersymmetrization; i.e.  $(1+3) \neq -(3+1)$

Graded Lie algebra of  $SU(N)$

$$L = L_0 \oplus L_1, \quad L \times L \rightarrow L$$

$\uparrow$  evens       $\uparrow$  odds

Start with  $L_0 = SU(N)$  algebra  $T^a, a = \{1, 2, \dots, N^2 - 1\}$

$$T^a \circ T^b \equiv [T^a, T^b] = ifabc T^c$$

Now define  $L_1: Q_i, i = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$   $n \equiv$  dimension of  $L_1$ .

Need to define product  $\circ$  :

$$\begin{cases} T^a \circ Q_i \rightarrow L_1 \\ Q_i \circ Q_j \rightarrow L_0 \end{cases}$$

Define  $T^a \circ Q_i = -c_{ij}^a Q_j$  (minus sign for convenience)

The  $c_{ij}^a$  are coefficients to be determined by the Jacobi identity for  $T^a, T^b, Q_i$ :

$$(-1)^0 T^a \circ (T^b \circ Q_i) + (-1)^0 T^b \circ (Q_i \circ T^a) + (-1)^0 Q_i \circ (T^a \circ T^b) = 0$$

$$T^a \circ (-c_{ij}^b) Q_j + T^b \circ c_{ij}^a Q_j + Q_i \circ ifabc T^c = 0$$

$$c_{ij}^b c_{jk}^a Q_k + c_{ij}^a (-c_{jk}^b) Q_k + ifabc c_{ik}^c Q_k = 0$$

or, because  $Q_k$  are independent,

$$\boxed{[c^a, c^b]_{ik} = ifabc c_{ik}^c}$$

Hence,  $c_{ij}^a$  matrices provide an  $n \times n$  matrix representation of  $L_0$ .

Therefore, to construct a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded Lie algebra, we must pick a representation for  $L_0$ , and the number of  $Q_i$ 's matches the dimension of the representation.

Define:  $Q_i \circ Q_j = (+Q_j \circ Q_i) = d_{ij}^a T^a$   
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 symmetric in  $i \leftrightarrow j$ .

Consider the Jacobi identity for  $T^a, Q_i, Q_j$ :

$$(-1)^0 T^a \circ (Q_i \circ Q_j) + (-1)^0 Q_i \circ (Q_j \circ T^a) + (-1)^1 Q_j \circ (T^a \circ Q_i) = 0$$

$$T^a \circ d_{ij}^c T^c + Q_i \circ c_{jk}^a Q_k - Q_j \circ (-c_{ik}^a) Q_k = 0$$

$$d_{ij}^c i f^{acb} T^b + c_{jk}^a d_{ik}^b T^b + c_{ik}^a d_{jk}^b T^b = 0$$

or, because the  $T^b$  are independent

$$c_{ik}^a d_{kj}^b + c_{jk}^a d_{ki}^b = i f^{abc} d_{ij}^c \quad *$$

Once  $c_{ij}^a$  are known (are representation matrices), can construct the  $d_{ij}^a$  by considering the above as a system of linear equations.

Example  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded  $SU(2)$ ; based on the fundamental representation:

- choose representation: 2 (doublet  $\square$ )  $f^{abc} = \epsilon^{abc}$

Immediately,  $c^1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, c^2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix}, c^3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

then let  $d^1 = \begin{pmatrix} d_x^1 & d_x^1 \\ d_y^1 & d_y^1 \end{pmatrix}, d^2 = \begin{pmatrix} d_x^2 & d_x^2 \\ d_x^2 & d_y^2 \end{pmatrix}, d^3 = \begin{pmatrix} d_x^3 & d_x^3 \\ d_x^3 & d_y^3 \end{pmatrix},$

and solve the system of equations in (\*) [Mathematica]

Result:  $d^1 = \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, d^2 = \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} i & i \\ i & i \end{pmatrix}, d^3 = \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathcal{N}$  sets the normalization of  $Q_i$ 's.

Hence our graded algebra is: (there are five elements,  $T^1, T^2, T^3, Q_1, Q_2$ )

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T^a \circ T^b &= i \epsilon^{abc} T^c \\ T^a \circ Q_i &= -\left(\frac{\sigma^a}{2}\right) Q_i \\ Q_i \circ Q_j &= (d_{ij}^a) T^a \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} &OSp(1/2) \quad \text{"one slash two"} \\ &(\text{Now, } T^a, Q_i \text{'s can be any rep}) \end{aligned}$$

As a consistency check, the Jacobi identity for three  $Q$ 's must be satisfied:

$$(-1)^i Q_i \circ (Q_j \circ Q_k) + (-1)^j Q_j \circ (Q_k \circ Q_i) + (-1)^k Q_k \circ (Q_i \circ Q_j) = 0$$

$$Q_i \circ d_{jk}^a T^a + Q_j \circ d_{ki}^a T^a + Q_k \circ d_{ij}^a T^a = 0$$

$$d_{jk}^a c_{il}^a Q_l + d_{ki}^a c_{jl}^a Q_l + d_{ij}^a c_{kl}^a Q_l = 0$$

or, because  $Q_l$  are indep,

$$d_{jk}^a c_{il}^a + d_{ki}^a c_{jl}^a + d_{ij}^a c_{kl}^a = 0$$

For  $OSp(1/2)$  checked on Mathematica.

### ■ Determining $d_{ij}^a$

$$\text{In[42]:= } \mathbf{c} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\};$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} d_{11} & d_{1x} \\ d_{1x} & d_{12} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} d_{21} & d_{2x} \\ d_{2x} & d_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} d_{31} & d_{3x} \\ d_{3x} & d_{32} \end{pmatrix} \right\};$$

$$\text{In[44]:= } \mathbf{sol} = \text{Solve}[\{\mathbf{c}[[1]].\mathbf{d}[[2]] + \text{Transpose}[\mathbf{c}[[1]].\mathbf{d}[[2]]] == i \mathbf{d}[[3]], \\ \mathbf{c}[[2]].\mathbf{d}[[3]] + \text{Transpose}[\mathbf{c}[[2]].\mathbf{d}[[3]]] == i \mathbf{d}[[1]], \\ \mathbf{c}[[3]].\mathbf{d}[[1]] + \text{Transpose}[\mathbf{c}[[3]].\mathbf{d}[[1]]] == i \mathbf{d}[[2]]\}];$$

$$\text{Out[44]:= } \{\{d_{11} \rightarrow -d_{3x}, d_{21} \rightarrow i d_{3x}, d_{12} \rightarrow d_{3x}, d_{22} \rightarrow i d_{3x}, d_{2x} \rightarrow 0, d_{31} \rightarrow 0, d_{32} \rightarrow 0, d_{1x} \rightarrow 0\}\}$$

$$\text{In[45]:= } \begin{pmatrix} d_{11} & d_{1x} \\ d_{1x} & d_{12} \end{pmatrix} /. \mathbf{sol}[[1]] // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_{21} & d_{2x} \\ d_{2x} & d_{22} \end{pmatrix} /. \mathbf{sol}[[1]] // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_{31} & d_{3x} \\ d_{3x} & d_{32} \end{pmatrix} /. \mathbf{sol}[[1]] // \text{MatrixForm}$$

Out[45]/MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} -d_{3x} & 0 \\ 0 & d_{3x} \end{pmatrix}$$

Out[46]/MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} i d_{3x} & 0 \\ 0 & i d_{3x} \end{pmatrix}$$

Out[47]/MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & d_{3x} \\ d_{3x} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### ■ Consistency Check

$$\text{In[48]:= } \mathbf{c} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\};$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\};$$

$$\text{In[50]:= } \text{sum}[i_, j_, k_, l_] := \sum_{a=1}^3 (\mathbf{d}[[a, j, k]] * \mathbf{c}[[a, i, l]] + \mathbf{d}[[a, k, i]] * \mathbf{c}[[a, j, l]] + \mathbf{d}[[a, i, j]] * \mathbf{c}[[a, k, l]])$$

$$\text{In[52]:= } \text{Table}[\text{sum}[i, j, k, l], \{\mathbf{i}, 1, 2\}, \{\mathbf{j}, 1, 2\}, \{\mathbf{k}, 1, 2\}, \{\mathbf{l}, 1, 2\}]$$

$$\text{Out[52]= } \{\{\{0, 0\}, \{0, 0\}\}, \{\{0, 0\}, \{0, 0\}\}, \{\{\{0, 0\}, \{0, 0\}\}, \{\{0, 0\}, \{0, 0\}\}\}\}$$

More on  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded Lie algebras

Generalized structure constants.

Let  $L = L_0 \oplus L_1$  endowed with  $\circ$  be our graded Lie Algebra.

$X_i \in L$  are elements of  $L$ .

$$X_i \circ X_j = c_{ij}^k X_k \quad c_{ij}^k \equiv \text{generalized structure constants.}$$

$$c_{ij}^k = -c_{ji}^k \quad \text{if } \begin{matrix} X_i, X_j \in L_0 & \text{or} & X_i \in L_0, X_j \in L_1 \\ \text{even-even} & & \text{even-odd.} \end{matrix}$$

$$c_{ij}^k = +c_{ji}^k \quad \text{if } \begin{matrix} X_i, X_j \in L_1 \\ \text{odd-odd.} \end{matrix}$$

Jacobi identity. Let  $T^a \in L_0$   $Q_i \in L_1$  :

$$[T^a, [T^b, T^c]] + [T^c, [T^a, T^b]] + [T^b, [T^c, T^a]] = 0$$

$$[T^a, [T^b, Q_i]] + [Q_i, [T^a, T^b]] + [T^b, [Q_i, T^a]] = 0$$

$$[T^a, \{Q_i, Q_j\}] \overset{\text{minus!}}{=} \{Q_j, [T^a, Q_i]\} + \{Q_i, [Q_j, T^a]\} = 0$$

$$[Q_i, \{Q_j, Q_k\}] + [Q_k, \{Q_i, Q_j\}] + [Q_j, \{Q_k, Q_i\}] = 0.$$

Killing form