

$L$  fin. dim'l s.s. Lie alg /  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $T$  max'l toral subalg of  $L$

$$L = T \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta} L_{\alpha}$$

$$T^* = \text{span}\{\Delta\}$$

Choose a basis  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_l\} \subset \Delta$  for  $T^*$ .  
 $\forall \beta \in T^*$ ,

$$\beta = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \alpha_i, \quad c_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

Prop:  $\forall \beta \in T^*, \beta \in \Delta, \beta = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \alpha_i, c_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Pf: Recall

$$\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle = \frac{2(\alpha_i, \alpha_j)}{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)} = \left\langle \frac{2\alpha_i}{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)}, \alpha_j \right\rangle$$

$$(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = \kappa(t_{\alpha_i}, t_{\alpha_j})$$

$$\left\langle \frac{2\alpha_i}{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)}, \alpha_j \right\rangle = \kappa\left(\frac{2t_{\alpha_i}}{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)}, t_{\alpha_j}\right)$$

$$= \alpha_j \left( \frac{2t_{\alpha_i}}{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)} \right) = \alpha_j(h_{\alpha_i})$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle = \alpha_j(h_{\alpha_i})$$

Consider  $A = (\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle)_{l \times l}$

Since  $(, ) : T^* \times T^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is nondeg.

$(\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle)_{l \times l}$  is nonsingular.

$\Rightarrow A = (\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle)_{l \times l}$  is nonsingular.

Take  $\beta \in T^*$ ,  $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \alpha_i$

$$\langle \beta, \alpha_j \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha_j, \beta \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \langle \alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha_j, \beta \rangle = \left\langle \frac{2\alpha_j}{\langle \alpha_j, \alpha_j \rangle}, \beta \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{\langle \alpha_j, \alpha_j \rangle} \langle \alpha_j, \beta \rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{\langle \alpha_j, \alpha_j \rangle} \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \langle \alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \langle \alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle, \quad 1 \leq j \leq l.$$

which is  $(l \times l)$ -lin. system with coefficient matrix

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q}^{l \times l} \Rightarrow c_i \in \mathbb{Q}. \quad //$$

Prop:  $\forall \gamma, \delta \in T^*$

$$(\gamma, \delta) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \gamma)(\beta, \delta)$$

Pf:

$$(\gamma, \delta) = \kappa(t_\gamma, t_\delta) = \text{Tr}(ad_{t_\gamma} ad_{t_\delta})$$

Observe  $ad_{t_\gamma} ad_{t_\delta} = ad_{t_\delta} ad_{t_\gamma}$  since

$$[t_\gamma, t_\delta] = 0 \text{ (T abelian)}$$

Also  $ad_{t_\gamma}, ad_{t_\delta}$  are semisimple since  $T$  is toral.

So we can choose an order basis  $B$  for  $L$  such that

$$[ad_{t_\gamma}]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & \beta(t_\gamma) \\ & & & & \alpha(t_\gamma) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } [ad_{t_\delta}]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & \beta(t_\delta) \\ & & & & \alpha(t_\delta) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\beta, \alpha, \dots \in \Delta$ .  $(\beta, \gamma)$   $(\beta, \delta)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma, \delta) &= \text{Tr}(ad_{t_\gamma} ad_{t_\delta}) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} \beta(t_\gamma) \beta(t_\delta) \\ &= \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \gamma)(\beta, \delta) \end{aligned}$$

Cor!  $\forall \alpha \in \Delta, (\alpha, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Q}^+ = \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$

Pf! Know  $(\alpha, \alpha) = \kappa(t_\alpha, t_\alpha) = \alpha(t_\alpha) \neq 0$ .

$$(\alpha, \alpha) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \alpha)(\beta, \alpha) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \alpha)^2.$$

Recall  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \Delta \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \frac{2(\alpha, \beta)}{(\alpha, \alpha)} = \beta(h_\alpha) = r_\beta - q_\beta \in \mathbb{Z}$$

where  $\beta - r_\beta \alpha, \dots, \beta, \dots, \beta + q_\beta \alpha$   
is the  $\alpha$ -string through  $\beta$ .

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha, \beta) = \left( \frac{r_\beta - q_\beta}{2} \right) (\alpha, \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\beta, \alpha)^2 = \frac{(r_\beta - q_\beta)^2}{4} (\alpha, \alpha)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} \frac{(r_\beta - q_\beta)^2}{4} (\alpha, \alpha)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(\alpha, \alpha)} = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} \frac{(r_\beta - q_\beta)^2}{4} \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0} \quad //$$

In summary, we have

$$\forall \alpha \in \Delta, (\alpha, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$$

$$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \Delta, \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \frac{2(\alpha, \beta)}{(\alpha, \alpha)} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha, \beta) = (\beta, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

$$\text{Set } E_{\mathbb{Q}} = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Q}} \{ \Delta \}$$

$$\text{Then } (\cdot, \cdot): E_{\mathbb{Q}} \times E_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$$

is a nondeg. symm. bil. form.

$$\text{Prop: } (\cdot, \cdot): E_{\mathbb{Q}} \times E_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \text{ is}$$

positive definite.

$$\text{Pf: Let } \gamma \in E_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

Need to show:  $(\gamma, \gamma) \geq 0$  &

$$(\gamma, \gamma) = 0 \iff \gamma = 0.$$

$$(\gamma, \gamma) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \gamma)(\beta, \gamma) = \sum_{\beta \in \Delta} (\beta, \gamma)^2 \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$$

Since  $\gamma \in E_{\mathbb{Q}}$  &  $(\beta, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Q} \forall \alpha \in \Delta$ .

$$\Rightarrow (\gamma, \gamma) \geq 0.$$

Enough to show  $(\gamma, \gamma) = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma = 0$ .

$$(\gamma, \gamma) = 0 \Rightarrow (\beta, \gamma) = 0 \quad \forall \beta \in \Delta$$

Since  $T^* = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Q}} \{ \Delta \}$  we have

~~$$\forall \beta \in T^*, (\beta, \gamma) = 0$$~~

$$\forall \delta \in T^*, (\delta, \gamma) = 0 \quad \text{since}$$

$$(\beta, \gamma) = 0 \quad \forall \beta \in \Delta.$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma \in \text{rad}(\cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{T^* \times T^*} = 0$$

since  $(\cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{T^* \times T^*}$  is nondeg.

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 0 \Rightarrow (\cdot, \cdot): E_{\mathbb{Q}} \times E_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$$

is positive definite. //

$$\text{Set } E = \mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} E_{\mathbb{Q}} = \text{span}_{\mathbb{R}} \{ \Delta \}.$$

$$(r \otimes \beta) \mapsto r\beta$$

Fix basis  $\{ \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_\ell \}$  for  $E_{\mathbb{Q}}$

$$\Rightarrow \{ 1 \otimes \alpha_1, 1 \otimes \alpha_2, \dots, 1 \otimes \alpha_\ell \} \text{ basis for } E$$

Define  $(,): E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ~~by~~ as follows.

For  $\gamma, \delta \in E$ ,

$$\gamma = \sum_{i=1}^l r_i \otimes \alpha_i, \quad \delta = \sum_{i=1}^l s_i \otimes \alpha_i$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{r_i(1 \otimes \alpha_i)}$

Define  $(,): E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$(\gamma, \delta) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq l} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq l} r_i s_j (\alpha_i, \alpha_j) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Since  $(,): E_{\mathbb{Q}} \times E_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$

is nondeg. symm. bil. form, we have

$(,): E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is nondeg. symm. bil. form.

Prop:  $(,): E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is pos. def.

( $\Rightarrow E \cong \mathbb{R}^l$ , Euclidean space.)