

Cartan matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ (GCM)

- $a_{ii} = 2$
- $a_{ij} \leq 0, i \neq j$
- $a_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow a_{ji} = 0, i \neq j$

Assume $A = (a_{ij})$ is symmetrizable

- \exists nonsingular $\text{diag}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) = D$
s.t. DA is symmetric.
($\Rightarrow s_i a_{ij} = s_j a_{ji}$)

Suppose $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is an indecomposable symmetrizable GCM.

Note: The Cartan matrix associated with a finite dim'l simple Lie alg. is an indecomposable symmetrizable matrix.

Thm: $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ indecomposable symmetrizable GCM. Then one of the following three conditions hold.

- (1) A positive definite (finite)
($\Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $A\delta > 0$)
- (2) $\text{corank}(A) = 1$ and $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $A\delta = 0$
(affine)
- (3) A is neither finite nor affine.
($\Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0$ such that $A\delta < 0$)
(indefinite)

Associate the Lie alg. $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}(A)$ with $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ indecomp. symmetrizable GCM as follows.

- \mathfrak{h} abelian Lie alg. of $\dim = n + \text{corank}(A)$
- $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\} \subset \mathfrak{h}^*$ lin. indep.
- $\Pi = \{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n\} \subset \mathfrak{h}$ lin. indep.
s.t. $\alpha_j(h_i) = a_{ij}$

• $\mathfrak{g} = \langle \mathfrak{h}, e_i, f_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n \rangle$ satisfying the following conditions.

$$(1) \quad \mathfrak{h} = \langle h, h' \rangle \quad [h, h'] = 0 \quad \forall h, h' \in \mathfrak{h}$$

$$(2) \quad [h, e_i] = \alpha_i(h) e_i \quad \forall h \in \mathfrak{h} \quad \forall i$$

$$(3) \quad [h, f_i] = -\alpha_i(h) f_i \quad \forall h \in \mathfrak{h} \quad \forall i$$

$$(4) \quad [e_i, f_j] = \delta_{ij} h_i \quad \forall i, j$$

$$(5) \quad (\text{ad } e_i)^{-a_{ij}+1} e_j = 0, \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$$(6) \quad (\text{ad } f_i)^{-a_{ij}+1} f_j = 0, \quad \forall i \neq j.$$

Ex(1) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ affine GCM

$$\delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A\delta = 0.$$

$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}(A)$ affine Lie algebra

$$\mathfrak{h} = \text{span} \{ h_0, h_1, d \}$$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \langle \mathfrak{h}, e_i, f_i \mid i=0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\dim \mathfrak{g} = \infty$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathfrak{sl}(2) = \text{span}\{e, f, h\}$$

Consider the Lie algebra

$$L = \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] \oplus \mathbb{C}c \oplus \mathbb{C}d$$

with the bracket given by

$$[x \otimes t^i, y \otimes t^j] = [x, y] \otimes t^{i+j} + \delta_{i+j, 0} i \text{tr}(xy) c$$

$$[c, L] = 0$$

$$[d, x \otimes t^i] = i(x \otimes t^i) \quad (\Rightarrow d = 1 \otimes t \frac{d}{dt})$$

$$[d, d] = 0$$

Define

$$e_1 = e \otimes 1, \quad f_1 = f \otimes 1, \quad h_1 = h \otimes 1$$

$$e_0 = f \otimes t, \quad f_0 = e \otimes t^{-1}, \quad h_0 = -h \otimes 1 + c$$

Note: $c = h_0 + h_1$.

H Cartan subalgebra of L is

$$H = \text{span}\{h_0, h_1, d\}$$

$$\Delta = \{ \alpha_1 + k\delta, \alpha_0 + k\delta \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \} \cup \{ k\delta \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0} \}$$

$$= \Delta^+ \cup \Delta^-$$

$$\Delta^+ = \{ \alpha_1 + k\delta, \alpha_0 + k\delta \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \} \cup \{ k\delta \mid k > 0 \}$$

$$\Delta = \Delta_{re} \cup \Delta_{im}$$

\nwarrow real \nwarrow imaginary

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Weyl group:

$$W = \langle r_0, r_1 \rangle \subset \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{h}^*)$$

$$r_i(\beta) = \beta - \langle \alpha_i, \beta \rangle_{= \beta(h_i)} \alpha_i, \quad i=0, 1$$

$$(r_0 r_1)(\alpha_0) = r_0(\alpha_0 - \alpha_0(h_1)\alpha_1)$$

$$= r_0(\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1)$$

$$= -\alpha_0 + 2r_0(\alpha_1)$$

$$= -\alpha_0 + 2(\alpha_1 - \alpha_1(h_0)\alpha_0)$$

$$= -\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 + 4\alpha_0 = 3\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 = \alpha_0 + 2\delta$$

$$r_0(\delta) = r_0(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1) = -\alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_1(h_0)\alpha_0)$$

$$= -\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_0 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 = \delta$$

Similarly, $r_1(\delta) = \delta$

$$\Rightarrow w \in W, \alpha \in \Delta_{im} = \{k\delta \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow w\alpha = \alpha.$$

Observation:

(1) $\forall \alpha \in \Delta_{re}, \exists i=0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ and } w \in W$
such that $w\alpha_i = \alpha$

In deed, a root $\alpha \in \Delta$ is called real if $\exists w \in W$ such that $w\alpha_i = \alpha$ for some $i=0, 1$.

$\alpha \in \Delta$ is imaginary if it is not real.

(2) $\alpha \in \Delta_{re}$ and $\alpha = w\alpha_i$

$$\Rightarrow \dim \mathfrak{g}_\alpha = \dim \mathfrak{g}_{w\alpha_i} = \dim \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha_i} = 1$$

(3) ~~$\alpha \in \Delta_{im}$~~ $\delta \in \Delta_{im}$

$$\mathfrak{g}_\delta = \text{span}\{h \otimes t\} \Rightarrow \dim \mathfrak{g}_\delta = 1$$

In general, $\dim \mathfrak{g}_\delta = \text{rank}(A)$.

$$(4) \quad W = \{ (r_0 r_1)^m, r_0 (r_0 r_1)^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

called the infinite dihedral group