

RHODES UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT of MATHEMATICS (Pure & Applied)
CLASS TEST No. 2 : OCTOBER 2009
MATHEMATICS HONOURS

GEOMETRIC CONTROL

AVAILABLE MARKS : 50
FULL MARKS : 50
DURATION : 1 HOUR

NB : All questions may be attempted.

Question 1. (24 marks)

Let $\Sigma = (\mathbf{G}, \Gamma)$ be a (right-invariant) *control system* with the understanding that the state space $\mathbf{G}$ is a matrix Lie group and that the class $\mathcal{U}$ of admissible controls consists of *piecewise-constant controls*.

- (a) Define the terms *trajectory*, *attainable set* (from $g \in \mathbf{G}$) and *orbit* (through $g \in \mathbf{G}$).
- (b) Explain what is meant by saying that a point (state) $y \in \mathbf{G}$ is *normally attainable* from $x \in \mathbf{G}$.
- (c) State (but DO NOT prove) *Krener's Theorem*. Hence, prove that

$$\text{Lie}(\Gamma) = \mathfrak{g} \iff \text{int } \mathcal{A}(1) \neq \emptyset.$$

(Here, $\mathfrak{g}$ denotes the Lie algebra of $\mathbf{G}$ and $\mathcal{A}(1)$ denotes the attainable set from the identity $1 \in \mathbf{G}$.)

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Question 2. (26 marks)

Let $\Sigma = (\mathbf{G}, \Gamma)$ be a (right-invariant) *control system* with the understanding that the state space $\mathbf{G}$ is a matrix Lie group and that the class $\mathcal{U}$ of admissible controls consists of *piecewise-constant controls*.

- (a) Explain what is meant by saying that Σ is *controllable*. Give necessary conditions for controllability.
- (b) State the following controllability tests
 - i. Group Test.
 - ii. Local Controllability Test.
 - iii. Closure Test.

Give *detailed* proofs for any two of these tests.

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