

# Control Systems on Three-Dimensional Lie Groups

## Equivalence and Controllability

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## Left-invariant control affine system

$$(\Sigma) \quad \dot{g} = \Xi(g, u) = g(A + u_1 B_1 + \cdots + u_\ell B_\ell), \quad g \in G, u \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$$

- **state space**:  $G$  is a connected (matrix) Lie group with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$
- **input set**:  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$
- **dynamics**: family of left-invariant vector fields  $\Xi(\cdot, u)$
- **trace**:  $\Gamma = A + \Gamma^0 = A + \langle B_1, \dots, B_\ell \rangle$  is an affine subspace of  $\mathfrak{g}$   
 $A \in \Gamma^0 \iff$  **homogeneous**,  $A \notin \Gamma^0 \iff$  **inhomogeneous**.

$$\Sigma : A + u_1 B_1 + \cdots + u_\ell B_\ell.$$

# Trajectories, controllability, and full rank

- **admissible controls**: piecewise continuous curves  $u(\cdot) : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\ell$
- **trajectory**: absolutely continuous curve s.t.  $\dot{g}(t) = \Xi(g(t), u(t))$
- **controllable**: exists trajectory from any point to any other
- **full rank**:  $\text{Lie}(\Gamma) = \mathfrak{g}$ ; necessary condition for controllability.

## Characterization of full-rank systems on 3D Lie groups

- 1-input homogeneous: none
- 1-input inhomogeneous:  $A, B_1, [A, B_1]$  linearly independent
- 2-input homogeneous:  $B_1, B_2, [B_1, B_2]$  linearly independent
- 2-input inhomogeneous: all
- 3-input: all.

## Detached feedback equivalence

$\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  are **detached feedback equivalent** if  
 $\exists \phi : G \rightarrow G', \varphi : \mathbb{R}^\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\ell$  such that  $T_g \phi \cdot \Xi(g, u) = \Xi'(\phi(g), \varphi(u))$

- specialization of feedback equivalence
- diffeomorphism  $\phi$  preserves left-invariant vector fields

## Proposition

*Full-rank systems  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  equivalent  
if and only if there exists a  
Lie group isomorphism  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  such that  $T_1 \phi \cdot \Gamma = \Gamma'$ .*

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# Classification of 3D Lie algebras

## Eleven types of real 3D Lie algebras

(e.g., [Mub63])

- $\mathfrak{g}_3$  —  $\mathbb{R}^3$  Abelian
- $\mathfrak{g}_{2.1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$  —  $\mathfrak{aff}(\mathbb{R}) \oplus \mathbb{R}$  cmpl. solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.1}$  — Heisenberg  $\mathfrak{h}_3$  nilpotent
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.2}$  cmpl. solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.3}$  — book Lie algebra cmpl. solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.4}^0$  — semi-Euclidean  $\mathfrak{se}(1, 1)$  cmpl. solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.4}^a$ ,  $a > 0$ ,  $a \neq 1$  cmpl. solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.5}^0$  — Euclidean  $\mathfrak{se}(2)$  solvable
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.5}^a$ ,  $a > 0$  exponential
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.6}^0$  — pseudo-orthogonal  $\mathfrak{so}(2, 1)$ ,  $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R})$  simple
- $\mathfrak{g}_{3.7}^0$  — orthogonal  $\mathfrak{so}(3)$ ,  $\mathfrak{su}(2)$  simple



# Classification of 3D Lie groups

## 3D Lie groups

(e.g., [GOV94])

• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.1}$	— 4 —	$\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}^3$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{2.1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$	— 2 —	$\text{Aff}(\mathbb{R})_0 \times \mathbb{R}, \text{Aff}(\mathbb{R})_0 \times \mathbb{T}$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.1}$	— 2 —	$H_3, H_3^* = H_3/Z(H_3(\mathbb{Z}))$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.2}$	— 1 —	$G_{3.2}$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.3}$	— 1 —	$G_{3.3}$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.4}^0$	— 1 —	$SE(1, 1)$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.4}^a$	— 1 —	$G_{3.4}^a$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.5}^0$	— $\mathbb{N}$ —	$SE(2), n\text{-fold cov. } SE_n(2), \text{ univ. cov. } \widetilde{SE}(2)$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.5}^a$	— 1 —	$G_{3.5}^a$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.6}$	— $\mathbb{N}$ —	$SO(2, 1)_0, n\text{-fold cov. } A(n), \text{ univ. cov. } \widetilde{A}$
• $\mathfrak{g}_{3.7}$	— 2 —	$SO(3), SU(2).$

Only  $H_3^*$ ,  $A_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , and  $\widetilde{A}$  are not matrix Lie groups.

# Case study: systems on the Heisenberg group $H_3$

$$H_3 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & y & x \\ 0 & 1 & z \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathfrak{h}_3 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & y & x \\ 0 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = xE_1 + yE_2 + zE_3$$

## Theorem

*On  $H_3$ , any full-rank system is equivalent to exactly one of the following systems*

$$\Sigma^{(1,1)} : E_2 + uE_3$$

$$\Sigma^{(2,0)} : u_1E_2 + u_2E_3$$

$$\Sigma_1^{(2,1)} : E_1 + u_1E_2 + u_2E_3$$

$$\Sigma_2^{(2,1)} : E_3 + u_1E_1 + u_2E_2$$

$$\Sigma^{(3,0)} : u_1E_1 + u_2E_2 + u_3E_3.$$

## Proof sketch (1/2)

$$d\text{Aut}(H_3) = \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{h}_3) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} yw - vz & x & u \\ 0 & y & v \\ 0 & z & w \end{bmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} x, y, z, u, v, w \in \mathbb{R} \\ yw - vz \neq 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

- **Single-input** system  $\Sigma$  with trace  $\Gamma = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i E_i + \langle \sum_{i=1}^3 b_i E_i \rangle$ .

$$\psi = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 & a_1 & b_1 \\ 0 & a_2 & b_2 \\ 0 & a_3 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{h}_3), \quad \psi \cdot (E_2 + \langle E_3 \rangle) = \Gamma.$$

So  $\Sigma$  is equivalent to  $\Sigma^{(1,1)}$ .

- **Two-input homogeneous** system with trace  $\Gamma = \langle A, B \rangle$ ; similar argument holds.

## Proof sketch (2/2)

- **Two-input inhomogeneous** system  $\Sigma$  with trace  $\Gamma = A + \langle B_1, B_2 \rangle$ .
- If  $E_1 \in \langle B_1, B_2 \rangle$ , then  $\Gamma = A + \langle E_1, B_2' \rangle$ ; like single-input case there exists automorphism  $\psi$  such that  $\psi \cdot \Gamma = E_3 + \langle E_1, E_2 \rangle$ .
- If  $E_1 \notin \langle B_1, B_2 \rangle$ , construct automorphism  $\psi$  such that  $\psi \cdot \Gamma = E_1 + \langle E_2, E_3 \rangle$ .
- $\Sigma_1^{(2,1)}$  and  $\Sigma_2^{(2,1)}$  are distinct as  $E_1$  is eigenvector of every automorphism.
- **Three-input** system: trivial.

# Case study: systems on the orthogonal group $SO(3)$

$$SO(3) = \{g \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} : gg^T = \mathbf{1}, \det g = 1\}$$

$$\mathfrak{so}(3) : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -z & y \\ z & 0 & -x \\ -y & x & 0 \end{bmatrix} = xE_1 + yE_2 + zE_3$$

## Theorem

*On  $SO(3)$ , any full-rank system is equivalent to exactly one of the following systems*

$$\Sigma_{\alpha}^{(1,1)} : \alpha E_1 + uE_2, \quad \alpha > 0$$

$$\Sigma^{(2,0)} : u_1 E_1 + u_2 E_2$$

$$\Sigma_{\alpha}^{(2,1)} : \alpha E_1 + u_1 E_2 + u_2 E_3, \quad \alpha > 0$$

$$\Sigma^{(3,0)} : u_1 E_1 + u_2 E_2 + u_3 E_3.$$

# Case study: systems on the orthogonal group $SO(3)$

## Proof sketch

$$d \text{Aut}(SO(3)) = \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{so}(3)) = SO(3)$$

- Classification procedure similar, though more involved.
- Product  $A \bullet B = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$  is preserved by automorphisms.
- *Critical point*  $\mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma)$  at which an inhomogeneous affine subspace is tangent to a sphere  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha = \{A \in \mathfrak{so}(3) : A \bullet A = \alpha\}$  is given by

$$\mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma) = A - \frac{A \bullet B}{B \bullet B} B$$

$$\mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma) = A - [B_1 \quad B_2] \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \bullet B_1 & B_1 \bullet B_2 \\ B_1 \bullet B_2 & B_2 \bullet B_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A \bullet B_1 \\ A \bullet B_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- $\psi \cdot \mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma) = \mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\psi \cdot \Gamma)$  for any automorphism  $\psi \in SO(3)$ .
- Scalar  $\alpha^2 = \mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma) \bullet \mathfrak{C}^\bullet(\Gamma)$  invariant under automorphisms.

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# Some controllability criteria for invariant systems

## Sufficient conditions for full-rank system to be controllable

- system is homogeneous
- state space is compact
- the direction space  $\Gamma^0$  generates  $\mathfrak{g}$ , i.e.,  $\text{Lie}(\Gamma^0) = \mathfrak{g}$
- there exists  $C \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \mapsto \exp(tC)$  is periodic
- the identity element  $\mathbf{1}$  is in the interior of the attainable set  $\mathcal{A} = \{g(t_1) : g(\cdot) \text{ is a trajectory such that } g(0) = \mathbf{1}, t_1 \geq 0\}$ .

([JS72])

## Systems on simply connected completely solvable groups

Condition  $\text{Lie}(\Gamma^0) = \mathfrak{g}$  is also necessary.

([Sac09])



## Theorem

- 1 On  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{R})_0 \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $H_3$ ,  $G_{3.2}$ ,  $G_{3.3}$ ,  $\text{SE}(1,1)$ , and  $G_{3.4}^a$ ,  
a full-rank system is controllable if and only if  $\text{Lie}(\Gamma^0) = \mathfrak{g}$ .
- 2 On  $\text{SE}_n(2)$ ,  $\text{SO}(3)$ , and  $\text{SU}(2)$ ,  
all full-rank systems are controllable.
- 3 On  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{T}$ ,  $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ , and  $\text{SO}(2,1)_0$ ,  
a full-rank system is controllable if and only if it is homogeneous  
or there exists  $C \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \mapsto \exp(tC)$  is periodic.
- 4 On  $\widetilde{\text{SE}}(2)$  and  $G_{3.5}^a$ ,  
a full-rank system is controllable if and only if  $E_3^*(\Gamma^0) \neq \{0\}$ .

## Proof sketch (1/2)

- 1 Completely solvable simply connected groups; characterization known ([Sac09]).
- 2 The groups  $SO(3)$  and  $SU(2)$  are compact, hence all full-rank systems are controllable.

$SE_n(2)$  decomposes as semidirect product of vector space and compact subgroup; hence result follows from [BJKS82].

## Proof sketch (2/2)

- ③ Study normal forms of these systems obtained in classification.
  - Full-rank homogeneous systems are controllable.
  - For each full-rank inhomogeneous system we either explicitly find  $A \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \mapsto \exp(tA)$  is periodic
  - or prove that some states are not attainable by inspection of coordinates of  $\dot{g} = \Xi(g, u)$ .
  - As properties are invariant under equivalence, characterization holds.
- ④ Study normal forms of these systems obtained in classification.
  - Condition invariant under equivalence.
  - Similar techniques with extensions ([JS72]); however for one system on  $G_{3.5}^a$  we could only prove controllability by showing  $\mathbf{1} \in \text{int } \mathcal{A}$ .

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## Summary

- Characterization of controllability for systems on 3D Lie groups.
- Normal forms for controllable systems on 3D Lie groups.

## Outlook

- Cost-extended systems associated to optimal control problems.

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