

## ON THE GROUP PROPERTIES OF SOME CONTRACTIONS

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In this paper we consider some contractions between the tensor spaces  $T_2^2 = R^n \otimes R^n \otimes (R^n)^* \otimes (R^n)^*$  and  $T_1^1 = R^n \otimes (R^n)^*$ .

It is proved that the restriction of a certain contraction on  $T_1^1$

$$T_2^2 \times T_1^1 \rightarrow T_1^1$$

induces group properties of the left action induced by this contraction, and at the end we obtain the canonical form of the so obtained Lie group. (In these notations  $R$  denotes the real numbers line, and an asterisk is written to the corresponding dual spaces.)

Let  $T_1^1$  and  $T_2^2$  be the tensor spaces

$$T_1^1 = R^n \otimes (R^n)^*,$$

$$T_2^2 = R^n \otimes R^n \otimes (R^n)^* \otimes (R^n)^*$$

and let  $s_j^i$  ( $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ) and  $u_{kl}^{ij}$  ( $1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n$ ) be the natural coordinate systems in  $T_1^1$  and  $T_2^2$  respectively. The elements of  $T_1^1$  shall be written by Latin, and those of  $T_2^2$  by Greek letres.

We shall consider the contractions

$$\varphi : T_2^2 \times T_1^1 \rightarrow T_1^1$$

and

$$\psi : T_1^1 \times T_2^2 \rightarrow T_1^1$$

defined by

$$s_j^i \cdot \varphi(\alpha, a) = u_{jq}^{ip}(\alpha) s_p^a(a) \quad (\alpha, a) \in T_2^2 \times T_1^1, \quad (1)$$

$$s_j^i \cdot \psi(a, \alpha) = s_p^a(a) u_{jj}^{qi}(\alpha) \quad (a, \alpha) \in T_1^1 \times T_2^2, \quad (2)$$

or, if we denote

$$\varphi(\alpha, a) = \alpha a \quad \text{and} \quad \psi(a, \alpha) = a \alpha,$$

(1) and (2) can be written as

$$s_j^i(\alpha a) = u_{jq}^p(\alpha) s_p^q(a), \quad (1')$$

$$s_j^i(a \alpha) = s_q^p(a) u_{pj}^{qi}(\alpha). \quad (2')$$

The contractions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  define a left and a right action of the elements of  $T_2^2$  on the space  $T_1^1$ . We shall prove that these actions have equal identity elements  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l$  and  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_a$ .

For the coordinates of the left identity element  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l$  defined by

$$\bigwedge_{\alpha \in T_1^1} (\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l a = a)$$

or, in coordinate form

$$u_{jq}^p(\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l) s_p^q(a) = s_j^i(a),$$

we obtain

$$u_{jr}^{ik}(\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l) = \delta_r^i \delta_j^k \quad 1 \leq i, j, k, r \leq n. \quad (3)$$

In the same way, the definition

$$\bigwedge_{a \in T_1^1} (a \overset{\circ}{\alpha}_a = a)$$

leads to

$$s_q^p(a) u_{pj}^{qi}(\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_a) = s_j^i(a). \quad (4)$$

Since

$$s_j^i(a) = \delta_p^i \delta_j^q s_q^p(a),$$

(4) leads to

$$u_{ki}^{jl}(\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_a) = \delta_l^j \delta_k^i \quad 1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n \quad (5)$$

which in view of (3) proves the identity

$$\overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l = \overset{\circ}{\alpha}_a.$$

Let  $h$  be the contraction

$$T_2^2 \times T_2^2 \rightarrow T_2^2$$

defined by

$$u_{kl}^{ij} \cdot h(\alpha, \beta) = u_{kq}^{ip}(\alpha) u_{pl}^{aj}(\beta) \quad \alpha, \beta \in T_2^2$$

or, if we denote

$$h(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha \beta,$$

$$u_{kl}^{ij}(\alpha \beta) = u_{kq}^{ip}(\alpha) u_{pl}^{aj}(\beta).$$

It is easily seen that herewith a left and a right action on  $T_2^2$  for each its element is defined. If we ask for the corresponding identity elements (left and right identity) of these actions, defined by

$$\bigwedge_{a \in T_2^2} (\alpha^l \alpha = \alpha) \quad \text{and} \quad \bigwedge_{a \in T_2^2} (\alpha \alpha^d = \alpha),$$

we can easily obtain

$$u_{kr}^{ij}(\alpha^l) = \delta_r^i \delta_k^j \quad \text{and} \quad u_{kr}^{ij}(\alpha^d) = \delta_r^i \delta_k^j,$$

and hence

$$\alpha^l = \alpha^d = \overset{\circ}{\alpha}_l = \overset{\circ}{\alpha}_d. \quad (7)$$

In view of (7) we will denote all the four obtained identity elements by  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}$ .

It is clear that if the elements of  $T_1^1$  are expressed by their  $n^2$  coordinates, they can be written in a natural way as an  $n \times n$ -matrix. We define now a one to one mapping  $\check{f}$  which maps  $T_2^2$  onto the space  $\check{R}^{n^2}$  whose elements are all  $(n^2 \times n^2)$ -matrices in the following way:

To each  $\alpha \in T_2^2$  which coordinates  $\alpha_{kl}^{ij} = u_{kl}^{ij}(\alpha)$  the function  $\check{f}$  assigns the matrix

$$\check{\alpha} = \check{f}(\alpha) \in \check{R}^{n^2}$$

defined by

$$\check{\alpha}_. = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11}^{11} & \alpha_{11}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{11}^{1n} & \alpha_{12}^{11} & \alpha_{12}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{12}^{1n} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{11} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{1n} \\ \alpha_{21}^{11} & \alpha_{21}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{21}^{1n} & \alpha_{22}^{11} & \alpha_{22}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{22}^{1n} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{11} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{1n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha_{n1}^{11} & \alpha_{n1}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{n1}^{1n} & \alpha_{n2}^{11} & \alpha_{n2}^{12} & \dots & \alpha_{n2}^{1n} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{11} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{1n} \\ \alpha_{11}^{21} & \alpha_{11}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{11}^{2n} & \alpha_{12}^{21} & \alpha_{12}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{12}^{2n} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{21} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{2n} \\ \alpha_{21}^{21} & \alpha_{21}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{21}^{2n} & \alpha_{22}^{21} & \alpha_{22}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{22}^{2n} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{21} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha_{n1}^{21} & \alpha_{n1}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{n1}^{2n} & \alpha_{n2}^{21} & \alpha_{n2}^{22} & \dots & \alpha_{n2}^{2n} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{21} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha_{11}^{n1} & \alpha_{11}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{11}^{nn} & \alpha_{12}^{n1} & \alpha_{12}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{12}^{nn} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{n1} & \dots & \alpha_{1n}^{nn} \\ \alpha_{21}^{n1} & \alpha_{21}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{21}^{nn} & \alpha_{22}^{n1} & \alpha_{22}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{22}^{nn} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{n1} & \dots & \alpha_{2n}^{nn} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \alpha_{n1}^{n1} & \alpha_{n1}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{n1}^{nn} & \alpha_{n2}^{n1} & \alpha_{n2}^{n2} & \dots & \alpha_{n2}^{nn} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{n1} & \dots & \alpha_{nn}^{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Let  $A = (\alpha_j^i)$  ( $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ) be the matrix with elements  $a_j^i = s_j^i(a)$ , assigned to an arbitrary element  $a \in T_1^1$ . If we denote by  $\check{k}$  the mapping which to each  $A$  assigns the  $(n^2 \times 1)$  matrix

$$\check{k}(A) = \check{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 \\ a_2^1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n^1 \\ a_1^2 \\ a_2^2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n^2 \\ \vdots \\ a_1^n \\ a_2^n \\ \vdots \\ a_n^n \end{pmatrix},$$

it is easily seen that contraction

$$\varphi: (\alpha, a) \rightarrow \alpha a$$

can be interpreted as the usual matrix multiplication of  $\check{\alpha}$  and  $\check{a}$ , namely

$$\check{f} \cdot \varphi(\alpha, a) = \check{\alpha} \check{a}. \quad (8)$$

Let  $\check{G}$  be the subset of  $\check{f}(T_2^2)$  whose elements are nonsingular, and let

$$G = \{\alpha; \check{f}(\alpha) \in \check{G}\}. \quad (9)$$

If we denote by  $\lambda_\alpha$  the left action of an element  $\alpha \in G$  on  $T_1^1$ ,

$$\lambda_\alpha a = \alpha a \quad a \in T_1^1,$$

(8) and (9) imply for each  $\alpha \in G$  the existence of some  $\beta \in G$  such that

$$\lambda_\alpha \cdot \lambda_\beta = \lambda_\beta \cdot \lambda_\alpha = \lambda_\alpha^2,$$

whereby  $\beta$  is defined by the condition

$$\check{\beta} = \check{\alpha}^{-1}.$$

If we denote

$$\lambda_\beta = \lambda_\alpha^{-1}$$

and hence

$$\lambda_\alpha^{-1} = \lambda_{\alpha^{-1}},$$

we can easily prove the correctness of the relation

$$\lambda_\alpha \lambda_\beta = \lambda_{\alpha\beta} \quad \alpha, \beta \in T_2^2,$$

as well as the fact that for each  $\alpha \in G$  the element  $\alpha^{-1} \in G$  defined by

$$\check{f}(\alpha^{-1}) = \check{\alpha}^{-1} \quad (10)$$

is a unique one. On the other hand, it is clear that the mapping

$$h: T_2^2 \times T_2^2 \rightarrow T_2^2$$

satisfies the associative law,

$$(\alpha \beta) \gamma = \alpha (\beta \gamma) \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in T_2^2.$$

These results prove that the left action  $\lambda_\alpha$  of each  $\alpha \in G$  on  $T_1^1$  is a group action, i.e.  $G$  is a group whereby the group operation is the multiplication

$$(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \alpha\beta$$

defined by  $h$ . The identity element is  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}$ , and for each  $\alpha \in G$  the inverse element  $\alpha^{-1}$  is defined by (10). It is easy to see that  $G$  is isomorphic with the Lie group  $GL(n^2; R)$ .

We shall find now the coordinate expression for the canonical form on  $G$ . If we denote by  $D^1(\alpha)$  the tangent space of  $G$  at  $\alpha$ , each element

$$\vec{\eta}_\alpha \in D^1(\alpha)$$

can be considered as the value at  $\alpha \in G$  of some vector field  $\vec{\eta}$  on  $T_2^2$  which is left-invariant for the action of the group operation and which value  $\vec{\eta}_\beta$  at each  $\beta \in G$  is defined by

$$\vec{\eta}_\beta = d\lambda_\gamma \cdot \vec{\eta}_\alpha, \quad (11)$$

whereby  $\beta = \gamma \alpha$ . The canonical form  $\mu$  can be defined as the mapping which to each vector  $\vec{\eta}_\alpha$  at arbitrary  $\alpha \in G$  assigns the value  $\vec{\eta}_0$  at the identity  $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}$  of the left-invariant vector field  $\vec{\eta}$  induced from  $\vec{\eta}_\alpha$  by (11), i.e.

$$\mu(\vec{\eta}_\alpha) = d\lambda_{\alpha^{-1}} \cdot \vec{\eta}_\alpha. \quad (12)$$

In order to obtain the coordinate expression for  $\mu$ , we first obtain such an expression for the differential of the left action  $\lambda_\alpha$ .

One of the basic consequences of the definition of vector fields and tangent vectors is that the actions of the differential forms  $du_{kl}^j$  ( $u_{kl}^j$  the natural coordinate system) on a field  $\vec{\eta}$  gives at each  $\alpha$  the coordinates of the vector field value at that point, namely

$$(du_{kl}^j \cdot \vec{\eta})_\alpha = \vec{\eta}_\alpha(u_{kl}^j). \quad (13)$$

In our case we obtain

$$du_{kl}^j(d\lambda_\gamma \cdot \vec{\eta}_\alpha) = \vec{\eta}_\alpha(u_{kl}^j \circ \lambda_\gamma)$$

which in view of the identity

$$(u_{kl}^j \circ \lambda_\gamma) \varepsilon = u_{kq}^{jp}(\gamma) u_{pl}^{aj}(\varepsilon) \quad \varepsilon \in G$$

gives

$$du_{jr}^{ik} (d\lambda_\gamma \cdot \eta_\alpha) = u_{jq}^{ip} (\gamma) du_{pr}^{qk} (\vec{\eta}_\alpha). \quad (14)$$

If we denote  $\partial/\partial u_{ji}^{ik} = \partial_{ik}^{jl}$ , we have

$$d\lambda_\gamma (\vec{\eta}_\alpha) = du_{ji}^{ik} (d\lambda_\gamma \cdot \vec{\eta}_\alpha) (\partial_{ik}^{jl})_\beta, \quad \beta = \gamma \alpha$$

or, in view of (14),

$$d\lambda_\gamma (\vec{\eta}_\alpha) = u_{jq}^{ip} (\gamma) du_{pl}^{qk} (\vec{\eta}_\alpha) (\partial_{ik}^{jl})_\beta. \quad (15)$$

If in (15) we fix  $\gamma = \alpha^{-1}$  and hence  $\beta = \overset{\circ}{\alpha}$ , and if we denote

$$(\partial_{ik}^{jl})_\alpha^\circ = e_{ik}^{jl} \quad 1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n,$$

(15) gives the canonical form as

$$\mu = u_{jq}^{ip} du_{pl}^{qk} e_{ik}^{jl}$$

whereby  $u_{jq}^{ip}$  are defined by

$$u_{jl}^{ik} (\varepsilon) = u_{jl}^{ik} (\varepsilon^{-1}) \quad \varepsilon \in G.$$

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