

# Restricted structures on the Heisenberg algebra

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Let  $L$  be a  $\mathbb{K}$  vector space. A **Lie bracket** on  $L$  is a bilinear map  $[\cdot, \cdot] : L \times L \longrightarrow L$  satisfying, for  $x, y, z \in L$ ,

- 1  $[x, x] = 0$  (*anticommutativity*)
- 2  $[x, [y, z]] + [y, [z, x]] + [z, [x, y]] = 0$  (*Jacobi identity*).

If  $L$  is endowed with such a bracket, we call the pair  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot])$  a **Lie algebra**.



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**Important consequence:**  $M_n(\mathbb{K})$  endowed with the commutator is a Lie algebra.



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A representation  $\rho : L \longrightarrow \text{End}(V)$  is a **Lie algebra representation** if  $\rho$  is a Lie algebra map, that is,

$$\rho([x, y]) = \rho(x)\rho(y) - \rho(y)\rho(x).$$

**Remark:** One can also say that  $V$  is a  $L$ -module.



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**Crucial example:** the adjoint representation

$$\text{ad} : L \longrightarrow \text{End}(L)$$

$$x \longmapsto \text{ad}_x : y \longmapsto [x, y].$$



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**Example:** The Heisenberg algebra is nilpotent of order 2.



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with  $s_i(x, y)$  the coefficient of  $Z^{i-1}$  in  $\text{ad}_{Zx+y}^{p-1}(x)$ . Such a map  $(-)^{[p]} : L \rightarrow L$  is called  $p$ -map. [▶▶ back](#)



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- 3 Explicit expression for the sum of the  $s_j$ :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} s_i(x, y) = \sum_{\substack{x_i=x \text{ or } y \\ x_p=x, x_{p-1}=y}} \frac{1}{\#\{x\}} [x_1, [x_2, [\dots, [x_{p-1}, x_p] \dots]],$$



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## Examples:

1. Let  $A$  be an associative algebra and

$$\text{Der}(A) = \{D : A \rightarrow A \text{ linear, } D(ab) = D(a)b + aD(b) \forall a, b \in A\}.$$

Then,  $\text{Der}(A)$  is a restricted Lie algebra with the commutator and the  $p$ -mapping  $D \mapsto D^p$ .



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is the **unique**  $p$ -structure on  $\mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{F})$ .



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### Theorem (Jacobson's Theorem)

*Let  $L$  be a  $n$ -dimensional Lie algebra over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose that  $(e_j)_{j \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$  is a basis of  $L$  such that it exists  $y_j \in L$ ,  $(\text{ad}_{e_j})^p = \text{ad}_{y_j}$ . Then it exists exactly one  $p$ -map such that  $e_j^{[p]} = y_j$ ,  $\forall j = 1, \dots, n$ .*



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Let  $(L_1, [\cdot, \cdot]_1, (\cdot)^{[p]_1})$  and  $(L_2, [\cdot, \cdot]_2, (\cdot)^{[p]_2})$  be restricted Lie algebras. A **restricted morphism** (or  **$p$ -morphism**)  $\varphi : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$  is a Lie morphism that satisfies  $\varphi(x^{[p]_1}) = \varphi(x)^{[p]_2}$ .



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**Notation.** We will denote a restricted Heisenberg algebra by  $(\mathcal{H}, \theta)$ .

**Remark.** Let  $u \in (\mathcal{H}, \theta)$ ,  $u = \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then

$$u^{[p]} = (\alpha^p \theta(x) + \beta^p \theta(y) + \gamma^p \theta(z)) z.$$



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Let  $(\mathcal{H}, \theta)$  and  $(\mathcal{H}, \theta')$  be two restricted Heisenberg algebras. Then, any Lie isomorphism  $\phi : (\mathcal{H}, \theta) \rightarrow (\mathcal{H}, \theta')$  is of the form

$$\begin{cases} \phi(x) &= ax + by + cz \\ \phi(y) &= dx + ey + fz \\ \phi(z) &= (ae - bd)z, \quad ae - bd \neq 0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with  $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{F}$ . Moreover,  $\phi$  is a restricted Lie isomorphism if and only if

$$\begin{cases} \theta(x)u &= a^p \theta'(x) + b^p \theta'(y) + c^p \theta'(z) \\ \theta(y)u &= d^p \theta'(x) + e^p \theta'(y) + f^p \theta'(z) \\ \theta(z)u &= u^p \theta'(z), \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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We have the following results:

$$(\mathcal{H}, 0) \not\cong (\mathcal{H}, x_i^*), (\mathcal{H}, 0) \not\cong (\mathcal{H}, y_i^*), (\mathcal{H}, 0) \not\cong (\mathcal{H}, z^*);$$

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