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# The groups of automorphisms of the Lie algebras of formally analytic vector fields with constant divergence



Le groupe d'automorphismes de l'algèbre de Lie des champs de vecteurs formellement analytiques à divergence constante

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	Soit $S_n = K[[x_1,, x_n]]$ l'algèbre des séries formelles sur un corps $K$ de caractéristique zéro, $S_n^c$ le groupe des automorphismes continus de $S_n$ de jacobien constant et $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$ l'algèbre de Lie des dérivations de $S_n$ à divergence constante. Nous montrons les identités Aut <sub>Lie</sub> ( $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$ ) = Aut <sub>Lie,c</sub> ( $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$ ) $\simeq S_n^c$ .

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper, K is a field of characteristic zero and  $K^*$  is its group of units, and the following notation is fixed:

- $P_n := K[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$  is a polynomial algebra,  $G_n := \operatorname{Aut}_{K-\operatorname{alg}}(P_n)$  is the group of automorphisms of  $P_n$ ,  $S_n :=$  $K[[x_1, \ldots, x_n]]$  is the algebra of power series over K,  $\mathfrak{m} := (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ ,  $S_n^*$  is the group of units of  $S_n$ ,
- $\mathbb{S}_n := \operatorname{Aut}_{K-\operatorname{alg},c}(S_n)$  is the group of continuous (with respect to the m-adic topology) automorphisms of  $S_n$  and  $\mathbb{S}_n^c :=$  $\{\sigma \in \mathbb{S}_n \mid \mathcal{J}(\sigma) \in K\}$  where  $\mathcal{J}(\sigma)$  is the Jacobian of  $\sigma$ ,
- $\partial_1 := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \partial_n := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}$  are the partial derivatives (*K*-linear derivations) of  $S_n$ ,  $s_n := \text{Der}_K(S_n) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n S_n \partial_i$  is the Lie algebras of *K*-derivations of  $S_n$  where  $[\partial, \delta] := \partial \delta \delta \partial$ , and  $D_n := \text{Der}_K(P_n) =$  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n P_n \partial_i$ ,
- $\mathcal{D}_n := \bigoplus_{i=1}^n K \partial_i$ ,
- $H_1 := x_1 \partial_1, \dots, H_n := x_n \partial_n$ , for a derivation  $\partial = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \partial_i \in \mathfrak{s}_n$ ,  $\operatorname{div}(\partial) := \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial x_i}$  is the divergence of  $\partial$ ,

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- $\mathfrak{div}_n^0 := \{\partial \in D_n \mid \mathrm{div}(\partial) = 0\}$  and  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^0 := \{\partial \in \mathfrak{s}_n \mid \mathrm{div}(\partial) = 0\}$  are the Lie algebras of polynomial, respectively, formally analytic vector fields (derivations) with zero divergence,
- $\mathbf{G}_n := \operatorname{Aut}_{\operatorname{Lie}}(\mathfrak{div}_n^0)$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n := \operatorname{Aut}_{\operatorname{Lie}}(\mathfrak{Div}_n^0)$ ,
- $\mathfrak{div}_n^c := \{\partial \in D_n \mid \operatorname{div}(\partial) \in K\}$  and  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c := \{\partial \in \mathfrak{s}_n \mid \operatorname{div}(\partial) \in K\}$  are the Lie algebras of polynomial, respectively, formally analytic vector fields (derivations) with constant divergence,
- $\mathbf{G}_n^c := \operatorname{Aut}_{\operatorname{Lie}}(\mathfrak{div}_n^c)$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c := \operatorname{Aut}_{\operatorname{Lie}}(\mathfrak{Div}_n^c)$ .

## 2. The groups of automorphisms of the Lie algebras $\operatorname{div}_n^0$ and $\operatorname{div}_n^c$

Let  $Sh_1 := \{ s_\mu \in Aut_{K-alg}(K[x]) \mid s_\mu(x) = x + \mu, \mu \in K \}.$ 

#### **Theorem 2.1.** (See [3,1].)

 $\mathbf{G}_n \simeq \begin{cases} G_1/\mathrm{Sh}_1 \simeq K^* & \text{if } n = 1, \\ G_n & \text{if } n \ge 2. \end{cases}$ 

Theorem 2.1 was announced in [3], where a sketch of the proof is given based on a study of certain Lie subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{diu}_n^0$  of finite codimension.

**Theorem 2.2.** (See [1].)  $G_n^c \simeq G_n$ .

## 3. The groups of automorphisms of the Lie algebras $\mathfrak{Div}_n^0$ and $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$

**Theorem 3.1.** (See [2,3].)  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n \simeq \mathbb{S}_n^c$  for  $n \ge 2$ .

The aim of the paper is to prove the following theorem.

#### Theorem 3.2.

$$\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n}^{c} \simeq \begin{cases} G_{1} & \text{if } n = 1, \\ \mathbb{S}_{n}^{c} & \text{if } n \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** For n = 1,  $\mathfrak{Div}_1^c = K\partial_1 \oplus KH_1 = \mathfrak{div}_1^c$  and so  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_1^c = \mathbf{G}_1^c = G_1$ , by Theorem 2.2. So, let  $n \ge 2$ .

(i)  $\mathbb{S}_n^c \subseteq \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c$  via the group monomorphism (Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 5.1):

$$\mathbb{S}_n^c \to \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c, \quad \sigma \mapsto \sigma : \partial \mapsto \sigma(\partial) := \sigma \, \partial \sigma^{-1}.$$

- (ii)  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^0 = [\mathfrak{Div}_n^c, \mathfrak{Div}_n^c]$ : The equality follows from the fact that  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^0$  is a simple Lie algebra which is an ideal of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$  and  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c = \mathfrak{Div}_n^0 \oplus KH_1$ .
- (iii) The short exact sequence of group homomorphisms:

$$1 \to F := \operatorname{Fix}_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c} \left( \mathfrak{Div}_n^0 \right) \to \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c \stackrel{\operatorname{res}}{\to} \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n \to 1$$

is exact (by (i) and Theorem 3.1) where res :  $\sigma \mapsto \sigma|_{\mathfrak{Div}_n^0}$  is the restriction map, see (ii).

(iv) Since  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n = \mathbb{S}_n^c$  (Theorem 3.1) and  $\mathbb{S}_n^c \subseteq \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c$  (by (i)), the short exact sequence splits:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n}^{c} \simeq \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n} \ltimes F.$$
(1)

(v)  $F = \{e\}$  (Lemma 5.2). Therefore,  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c \simeq \mathbb{S}_n^c$ .  $\Box$ 

The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$  is a topological Lie algebra with respect to the m-adic topology, i.e. the set  $\{\mathfrak{m}^i\mathfrak{Div}_n^c\}_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a base of open neighbourhoods of zero. Let  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n,top}^c$  be group of automorphisms of the topological Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c$ . Clearly,  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n,top}^c \subseteq \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c$ . The inverse inclusion follows from Theorem 3.2.

# **Corollary 3.3.** $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n,top}^{c} = \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{n}^{c}$ .

## 4. The group $S_n$

Every continuous automorphism  $\sigma \in S_n$  is uniquely determined by the elements:

$$x'_1 := \sigma(x_1), \ldots, x'_n := \sigma(x_n)$$

that necessarily (by the continuity of  $\sigma$ ) belong to the maximal ideal m of the algebra  $S_n$ , and for all series  $f = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in S_n$ ,  $\sigma(f) = f(x'_1, \ldots, x'_n)$ . Let  $M_n(S_n)$  be the algebra of  $n \times n$  matrices over  $S_n$ . The matrix  $J(\sigma) := (J(\sigma)_{ij}) \in M_n(S_n)$ , where  $J(\sigma)_{ij} = \frac{\partial x'_i}{\partial x_i}$ , is called the *Jacobian matrix* of  $\sigma$  and its determinant  $\mathcal{J}(\sigma) := \det J(\sigma)$  is called the *Jacobian* of  $\sigma$ . So, the *j*th column of  $J(\sigma)$  is the *gradient*  $\operatorname{grad} x'_j := (\frac{\partial x'_j}{\partial x_1}, \ldots, \frac{\partial x'_j}{\partial x_n})^T$  of the series  $x'_j$ . Then the derivations:

$$\partial_1' := \sigma \partial_1 \sigma^{-1}, \ldots, \partial_n' := \sigma \partial_n \sigma^{-1}$$

are the partial derivatives of  $S_n$  with respect to the variables  $x'_1, \ldots, x'_n$ ,

$$\partial_1' = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1'}, \dots, \partial_n' = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n'}.$$
 (2)

Every derivation  $\partial \in \mathfrak{s}_n$  is a unique sum  $\partial = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \partial_i$  where  $a_i = \partial * x_i \in S_n$ . Let  $\partial := (\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n)^T$  and  $\partial' := (\partial'_1, \dots, \partial'_n)^T$  where T stands for the transposition. Then

$$\partial' = J(\sigma)^{-1}\partial, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \partial'_i = \sum_{j=1}^n (J(\sigma)^{-1})_{ij}\partial_j \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$
 (3)

In more detail, if  $\partial' = A\partial$  where  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n(S_n)$ , i.e.  $\partial_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}\partial_j$ . Then for all i, j = 1, ..., n,

$$\delta_{ij} = \partial'_i * x'_j = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} \frac{\partial x'_j}{\partial x_k}$$

where  $\delta_{ij}$  is the Kronecker delta function. The equalities above can be written in the matrix form as  $AJ(\sigma) = 1$ , where 1 is the identity matrix. Therefore,  $A = J(\sigma)^{-1}$ .

For all  $\sigma, \tau \in \mathbb{S}_n$ ,

$$J(\sigma\tau) = J(\sigma) \cdot \sigma \left(J(\tau)\right). \tag{4}$$

By taking the determinants of both sides of (4), we have a similar equality of the Jacobians: for all  $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ ,

$$\mathcal{J}(\sigma\tau) = \mathcal{J}(\sigma) \cdot \sigma \left( \mathcal{J}(\tau) \right). \tag{5}$$

By putting  $\tau = \sigma^{-1}$  in (4) and (5), we see that  $J(\sigma) \in GL_n(S_n)$ ,  $\mathcal{J}(\sigma) \in S_n^*$ , and

$$J(\sigma^{-1}) = \sigma^{-1}(J(\sigma)^{-1}), \tag{6}$$

$$\mathcal{J}(\sigma^{-1}) = \sigma^{-1}(\mathcal{J}(\sigma)^{-1}).$$
<sup>(7)</sup>

$$\mathbb{S}_n = \left\{ \sigma \in \operatorname{End}_{K-\operatorname{alg},c}(S_n) \mid \mathcal{J}(\sigma) \in S_n^* \right\} = \left\{ \sigma \in \operatorname{End}_{K-\operatorname{alg},c}(S_n) \mid \sigma(x) = Ax + \cdots, A = (a_{ij}) \in \operatorname{GL}_n(K) \right\},$$

that is  $\sigma(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j + \cdots$ , where the three dots mean smaller terms ( $\cdots \in \mathfrak{m}^2$ ).

**Lemma 4.1.** For all  $\sigma \in \mathbb{S}_n^c$ ,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \partial_j * \left( J(\sigma)^{-1} \right)_{ij} = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

**Proof.** By (3),  $\partial'_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (J(\sigma)^{-1})_{ij} \partial_j$ . By Theorem 3.1, we have the result.  $\Box$ 

#### 5. The divergence commutes with automorphisms $\mathbb{S}_n^c$

The following theorem shows that the divergence commutes with automorphisms  $\mathbb{S}_n^c$ , i.e. the divergence map div :  $\mathfrak{s}_n \to S_n$  is an  $\mathbb{S}_n^c$ -module homomorphism.

**Theorem 5.1.** For all  $\sigma \in \mathbb{S}_n^c$  and  $\partial \in \mathfrak{s}_n$ ,

$$\operatorname{div}(\sigma(\partial)) = \sigma(\operatorname{div}(\partial)).$$

**Proof.** Let  $\partial = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \partial_i$  where  $a_i \in S_n$ . Then  $\partial' = \sigma \partial \sigma^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma(a_i) \partial'_i$  where, by (3),  $\partial'_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n} (J(\sigma)^{-1})_{ij} \partial_j$ . Now, by Lemma 4.1,

$$\operatorname{div}(\partial') = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \partial_j * \left( \left( J(\sigma)^{-1} \right)_{ij} \sigma(a_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \partial_j * \left( J(\sigma)^{-1} \right)_{ij} \right) \cdot \sigma(a_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( J(\sigma)^{-1} \right)_{ij} \partial_j * \sigma(a_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \partial_i' * \sigma(a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma \partial_i \sigma^{-1} \sigma(a_i) = \sigma \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \partial_i (a_i) \right) = \sigma \left( \operatorname{div}(\partial) \right). \quad \Box$$

**Lemma 5.2.** Fix<sub> $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c$ </sub> ( $\mathfrak{Div}_n^0$ ) = {*e*} for  $n \ge 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\sigma \in F := \operatorname{Fix}_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_n^c}(\mathfrak{Div}_n^0)$ ,  $H'_1 := \sigma(H_1), \ldots, H'_n := \sigma(H_n)$ . Since  $\mathfrak{Div}_n^c = \mathfrak{Div}_n^0 \oplus KH_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ , it suffices to show that  $\sigma(H_i) = H_i$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ . For  $i \neq j$ ,  $\sigma(H_i - H_j) = H_i - H_j$ , and so  $d := H'_i - H_i = H'_j - H_j$ . For all  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ ,

$$[\partial_i, d] = \sigma([\partial_i, H_i]) - [\partial_i, H_i] = \sigma(\partial_i) - \partial_i = \partial_i - \partial_i = 0.$$

So,  $d \in C_{\mathfrak{Div}_n^c}(\mathcal{D}_n) = \mathcal{D}_n$  (since  $C_{\mathfrak{s}_n}(\mathcal{D}_n) = \mathcal{D}_n$ ) and  $d = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \partial_i$  for some  $\lambda_i \in K$  where  $C_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}) := \{g \in \mathcal{G} \mid [g, \mathcal{H}] = 0\}$  is the centralizer of a subset  $\mathcal{H}$  of a Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}$ . The elements  $H'_1 = H_1 + d, \ldots, H'_n = H_n + d$  commute, hence d = 0. Therefore,  $\sigma = e$ .  $\Box$ 

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