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INTRODUCTION TO LIE ALGEBRAS

List of corrections

Chapter 1 no corrections

Chapter 2

page 15 Exercise 2.7(i) Change  $\{(x_2, 0) : x_2 \in L_1\}$  to  $\{(0, x_2) : x_2 \in L_2\}$ .

Chapter 3

page 19 corrected bad breaks in line 3 and in ‘Exercise 2.8’.

page 20 After Theorem 3.1, moved the quotation before ‘the’

page 22 In proof of Theorem 3.2, replaced  $[x, w]$  with  $[x, z]$  and  $[y, w]$  with  $[y, z]$ , and changed  $a$  to  $\alpha$ , and  $b$  to  $\beta$ .

page 23 Corrected bad break in ‘Exercise 3.2’ on page 23.

page 25 Top line, capitalised ‘step’.

2nd line, changed  $\lambda \in L$  to  $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}$ .

4th line, changed ‘If we replace ..’ to ‘If in Step 3 we replace’

Deleted ‘over a field  $F$ ’ from Exercise 3.1

Chapter 4

page 30 line 1, replaced ‘previous exercise’ with Exercise 4.1

line 3, deleted comma following ‘If  $L/I$ ’

in Defn 4.6, Add ‘finite-dimensional’ after non-zero

page 31 End of proof of Lemma 4.7: deleted brackets in  $\text{rad}(L)$

page 32 In Remark 4.10 replaced ‘any’ with ‘an’

page 33 In Exercise 4.2, replaced ‘Show that  $A$ ’ with ‘Show that  $x$ ’

Chapter 5

page 40 Corrected bad break in Lemma 5.4 in ‘Exercise 5.3’.

page 41 In proof of Lemma 5.5, changed ‘For column  $r$ ’ to ‘More generally, for column  $r+1$ ’ and removed paragraph break.

bottom of page, changed ‘column  $r$ ’ to ‘column  $r+1$ ’.

page 44 At end of Exercise 5.7,  $xy^{m-k}$  replaced by  $y^{m-k}x$ .

Chapter 6

page 46 Exercise 6.1 (ii) Change  $V/W$  to  $V/U$  in second line.

Exercise 6.1 (ii) add commas in  $\{v_1 + U, \dots, v_{n-1} + U\}$

page 48, penultimate, change  $X$  to  $L$

page 49, top line change  $\tilde{L}$  to  $\bar{L}$

Remark 6.4, first line: delete first ‘of’

page 50, Exercise 6.2 (ii) add commas in  $\{v_1 + U, \dots, v_{n-1} + U\}$

last paragraph: corrected bad break in ‘Lemma 5.5’

page 51 displayed equation: change  $\lambda(x)$  to  $\lambda(a)$

penultimate line, change ‘previous’ to ‘following’

## Chapter 7

page 57 Example 7.6: change ‘solvable Lie algebra’ to ‘complex solvable Lie algebra’

Below Example 7.6, change  $W/V$  to  $V/W$ .

page 58 Example 7.8: change  $A$  to  $X$  (twice)

page 60 Definition of module homomorphism: change to  $\theta(x \cdot v) = x \cdot \theta(v)$  for all  $v \in V$  and  $x \in L$ .

Theorem 7.11 last line: replace  $V/I$  with  $V/W$ .

page 61 Example 7.12 line 5: add ‘, such that’ after ‘equivalently’.

page 62 Lemma 7.13: change  $1_V$  to  $1_S$  a few times.

page 63 Exercise 7.6(iii) insert ‘non-zero’ into ‘every submodule’.

page 65 Exercise 7.12: part (iii) should be labelled part (ii).

## Chapter 8

page 69 bottom: Delete full stop following  $\phi(h)$  matrix

page 74 After Theorem 8.7: change ‘Appendix C’ to ‘Appendix B’

page 75 Exercise 8.4: change  $W_r$  to  $\{v \in V : h \cdot v = rv\}$ .

Exercise 8.6: replace  $L$  in first line by  $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C})$ .

Exercise 8.6: displayed equation should end ‘for  $v \in M$ ’.

## Chapter 9

page 82 2nd paragraph: change  $\dim W \cap \dim W^\perp$  to  $W \cap W^\perp$ .

Proof of Thm 9.9  $A$  in wrong font three times.

page 84 first displayed equation: change  $, L_r$  to  $\oplus L_r$ .

line 3: change  $I \cap L_i$  to  $I \cap I^\perp$

page 85 proof of Prop 9.13, 3rd paragraph: delete sentence starting ‘We have ...’ and replace with ‘If  $M$  is properly contained in  $\text{Der}(L)$  then  $M^\perp \neq 0$ , so it is sufficient to prove that  $M^\perp = 0$ .’

Above 9.6: change ‘direct sum of semisimple ...’ to ‘direct sum of simple’.

page 88 second paragraph: corrected bad break in ‘Exercise 9.16’.

## Chapter 10

page 93 line 3: change  $\alpha : H \rightarrow L$  to  $\alpha : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

before display (\*): change  $L^*$  to  $H^*$

page 94 line -5 from end: change  $H$  to  $\mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{C})$ .

page 98 3rd paragraph, change  $-\alpha(h)x$  to  $-\alpha(h)y$

Exercise 10.3(ii), replace  $S_\alpha$  with  $\mathfrak{sl}(\alpha)$ .

page 99 corrected bad break in Exercise 9.10.

page 101 3rd paragraph of the proof, reworded.

Last paragraph before Proposition 10.10: add hyphen to  $h_\alpha$ -eigenvector

Proposition 10.10: ‘if  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then’ after ‘such that’ and remove the next ‘if  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ’.

page 105 matrix transposed.

page 106 Exercise 10.5. Change  $2|\Phi|$  to  $|\Phi|$ .

Exercise 10.7(i) replace ‘span  $H$ ’ with ‘span  $H^*$ ’.

## Chapter 11

page 110 Definition 11.1: change ‘real vector space’ to ‘real inner-product space’.

page 111 Exercise 11.1 line 2: change  $E$  to  $\mathbf{R}^{\ell+1}$

page 113 Diagram in Example 11.6(a). The root  $-\beta$  was wrongly labelled  $\beta$ . Example 11.6(b) ‘root system’, not ‘root space’.

page 117 top line. ‘elements of  $B$ ’, not ‘elements of  $\alpha$ ’.

page 118 Lemma 11.13. Corrected the very bad break.

## Chapter 12

page 126 2nd displayed eqn: insert  $\alpha \neq 0$  before  $L_\alpha \neq 0$

Lemma 12.2: insert ‘non-zero’ before  $h \in H$ .

page 127 Proposition 12.3. Add ‘non-zero’ before  $\alpha \in H^*$  and insert ‘(So we assume that  $H = L_0$ .)’ before ‘Suppose that ...’.

page 131 (2c). Change  $h_{ij} =$  to  $k_{ij} :=$  and  $h_{ij}$  to  $k_{ij}$  in last line.

page 135 (1) definitions of  $p_{ii}$  and  $q_{ii}$  given separately.

(2) corrected accordingly.

## Chapter 13

page 145 line 2 of proof of 13.8: Corrected  $k$  to  $k - 1$

page 146 line 1 of proof of 13.10: Corrected  $p$  to  $p - 1$

page 147 diagram, corrected  $y_q$  to  $w_q$  and  $y_1$  to  $w_1$

page 148 last line of proof, corrected  $r$  to  $p$ .

## Chapter 14

No corrections

## Chapter 15

page 164 line 7 of 15.1: Corrected  $\Phi$  to  $\Pi$ .

Corrected spacing of  $L$  just before section 15.1.1

page 166 changed  $\alpha_i$  to  $\alpha_{i_1}$  etc.

in 2nd display: change  $[f_{\alpha_1}, e_\alpha]$  to  $[e_\alpha, f_{\alpha_{i_1}}]$

Change line below to ‘Now  $[e_\alpha, f_{\alpha_{i_1}}] \in [L_\alpha, L_{-\alpha_{i_1}}] \subseteq L_{\alpha-\alpha_1}$ .’

page 168 in 15.1.2, the displayed  $v \wedge w$  Corrected  $w_j$  to  $v_j$

page 170 in 15.1.3 line 3  $v_i \otimes w_j$

page 172 make consistent: order  $f, h, e$ .

page 176 line -12: module (not modules).

page 178 line before exercise 15.4 Corrected  $K$  to  $F$  twice.

page 183 second paragraph of 15.6 characteristic  $p$  (not 0).

page 184 the quiver, remove the large 3.

page 187 Exercise 15.8(ii) insert ‘and  $U(L)$  with  $V$  in the commutative diagram above’ before ‘then  $V$  has’.

#### Appendix A

page 191 in 16.1(a) Corrected  $W$  to  $\text{im}x$

page 196 middle: Corrected ‘a suitable  $f(X)$ ’ to ‘a suitable  $p(X)$

2nd display: change  $a(X)$  to  $a(x)$

page 198 diagram, swap the horizontal and vertical axes labels.

page 202 defn 16.9, last line made it ‘for all  $v, w, v_i, w_i \in V$

page 205 moved ‘end of proof’ symbol up (now after ‘as required’).

three lines below: added ‘result’ (after ‘analogous’)

Appendix B and C no corrections.

#### Appendix D

page 224 line 9 corrected  $B$  to  $B'$

line -6 added  $\square$

#### Appendix E

page 233 Solution 2.11: need to swap  $P$  and  $P^{-1}$  everywhere except in the first displayed equation.

page 234 Solution 3.2 end of first paragraph: insert comma in  $[y_1, z_1]$ .

page 236 Solution 6.5 first line: change  $\text{ad}L$  to  $L$ .

page 238 Solution 8.6 second display, second line: change  $he$  to  $eh$ .

page 241 Solution 10.6 first display: change end to  $-1 * -1 = 1$ .

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