

MATH-429

Representation theory II - Lie algebras

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Mathematics	BA6	Opt.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	5
Session	Summer
Semester	Spring
Exam	Written
Workload	150h
Weeks	14
Hours	4 weekly
Courses	2 weekly
Exercises	2 weekly
Number of positions	

Summary

This is a standard course on Lie groups, Lie algebras and their representations.

Content

This is a second semester course in representation theory. We will study Lie groups and Lie algebras, with particular emphasis on algebraic aspects, and with the guiding examples of the classical groups in mind. We will also classify representations of semisimple Lie algebras, and discuss their characters.

Keywords

Lie groups, Lie algebras, classical groups, representations, character formulas

Learning Prerequisites**Required courses**

MATH-211 Group theory

MATH-314 Representation theory I - finite groups

MATH-322 Differential geometry II - smooth manifolds

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, the student must be able to:

- Formulate the main concepts and theorems defined in the course
- Theorize the role of Lie groups and Lie algebras in the theory
- Compute the characters of certain Lie group / Lie algebra representations

Teaching methods

Lectures and problem sessions

Expected student activities

Students are expected to attend all lectures, read all the lecture notes, and participate in all problem sessions

Assessment methods

One written homework (15% of the grade) and a written exam (85% of the grade).

Supervision

Office hours	No
Assistant.e.s	Yes
Forum	Yes

Resources

Moodle Link

- <https://go.epfl.ch/MATH-429>