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THE COHOMOLOGY OF DIFFERENTIABLE TRANSFORMATION GROUPS.*¹

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1. Introduction. If a Lie group G acts differentiably on a manifold \mathcal{M} then various spaces of tensor field on \mathcal{M} become in a natural way modules for the Lie algebra \mathfrak{G} of G and the cohomology of \mathfrak{G} with these coefficient modules in certain cases carries interesting information about the action of G . In this paper we will discuss this situation, at first in a somewhat more abstract setup, and develop a method for computing these cohomology groups in certain cases. In particular we shall show that if G is compact and semi-simple then even though these modules are infinite dimensional the conclusions of the First and Second Whitehead Lemmas [10], [11] are valid; namely the first and second cohomology groups are trivial. As one consequence we will show that differentiable actions of compact, semi-simple Lie groups admit only trivial infinitesimal deformations (§11) a fact whose global analogue will be found in [7]. Our second and motivating application of these general cohomology results is to a question initiated by one of the authors in [9]. Namely if a Lie group G acts differentiably on the base space of a differentiable fiber bundle B over M can G be made to act differentiably on B so as to be equivariant with respect to the fiber projection and so that each operation of G on B is a bundle map. We show here that the answer is yes if G is compact and simply connected and if the structural group of B is a solvable Lie group, and moreover that the way of "lifting" the action of G to B is essentially unique.

2. Cohomology and invariant cohomology of Lie algebras. In the following L is a finite dimensional Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic zero. For the definition of an L -module and a complete discussion of the cohomology of L with coefficients in an L -module we refer the reader to [2] or [3] (we shall use the notation of the latter). The notion of the invariant cohomology of L with coefficients in an L -module is implicit in a number of

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papers, however the lack of an exposition with the relevant facts that we shall need makes the following discussion desirable.

Recall that if M is an L -module then the space $C^p(L, M)$ of p -cochains of L with coefficients in M is defined to be M if $p = 0$ and to be the space of alternating multilinear maps of L^p into M if p is a positive integer. Then $C^*(L, M)$ the cochain complex of L with coefficients in M is the graded vector space $\bigoplus_{p \geq 0} C^p(L, M)$ with the differential d of degree $+1$ defined by $dm(X) = X \cdot m$ for $m \in M$ and

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} dc(X_1, \dots, X_{p+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i+1} X_i(c(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{p+1})) \\ &+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} c([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{p+1}) \end{aligned}$$

for $c \in C^p(L, M)$, $p > 0$. We recall from [3] that $d^2 = 0$ so there are defined graded vector spaces $Z^*(L, M)$ and $B^*(L, M)$ of cocycles and coboundaries and their quotient $H^*(L, M)$ the cohomology space of L with coefficients in M . We recall also that $C^*(L, M)$ becomes a graded L -module with $M = C^0(L, M)$ as a submodule if we define

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} (Xc)(X_1, \dots, X_p) &= X(c(X_1, \dots, X_p)) - \sum_{i=1}^q c(X_1, \dots, [X, X_i], \dots, X_p) \\ &= X(c(X_1, \dots, X_p)) - \sum_{i=1}^q (-1)^{i+1} c([X, X_i], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_p) \end{aligned}$$

for $c \in C^p(L, M)$, $p > 0$, and that

$$(3) \quad d(Xc) = X(dc)$$

for $X \in L$, $c \in C^*(L, M)$. It follows from (1) and (2) that for $c \in C^p(L, M)$

$$\begin{aligned} dc(X_1, \dots, X_{p+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i+1} (X_i c)(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{p+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j+1} c([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{p+1}) \end{aligned}$$

We define a cochain $c \in C^*(L, M)$ to be *invariant* if $Xc = 0$ for all $X \in L$. It follows from (3) that the graded subspace $C_I^*(L, M) = \bigoplus_{p \geq 0} C_I^p(L, M)$ of $C^*(L, M)$ consisting of invariant cochains is stable under d and so gives rise to the graded vector spaces $Z_I^*(L, M)$ and $B_I^*(L, M)$ of invariant cocycles and invariant coboundaries (N.B. $B_I^*(L, M) = dC_I^*(L, M)$ not the possibly larger $C_I^*(L, M) \cap B^*(L, M)$) and their quotient $H_I^*(L, M)$ which we call the *invariant cohomology* of L with coefficients in M . By the *natural homomorphism* of $H_I^*(L, M)$ into $H^*(L, M)$ we mean the homomorphism induced

by the inclusion of $C_I^*(L, M)$ in $C^*(L, M)$. We note from (4) that $d_I = d|_{C_I^*(L, M)}$ is given on $C^p(L, M)$ by

$$(5) \quad d_I c(X_1, \dots, X_{p+1}) = - \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} c([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, X_i, \dots, X_j, \dots, X_{p+1})$$

An L -module M is called *trivial* if $Xm = 0$ for all $X \in L$, $m \in M$ (i. e. if $C_I^0(L, M) = C^0(L, M) = M$). Any vector space V over F can be considered a trivial L -module, in which case we write d_T for the differential on $C^*(L, V)$. Clearly from (1)

$$(6) \quad d_T c(X_1, \dots, X_p) = \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} c([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, X_i, \dots, X_j, \dots, X_{p+1}).$$

In particular we regard F as a trivial L -module and write $C^*(L, F) = C^*(L)$ and $H^*(L, F) = H^*(L)$. Since $C^1(L) = L^*$, the dual space of L , and since by (6) $d_T c(X, Y) = c([X, Y])$ for $c \in C^1(L)$ it follows that $Z^1(L) = [L, L]^0$, the annihilator of $[L, L]$. Since $B^1(L)$ is clearly zero (for $df(X) = 0$ for $f \in F$) it follows that $H^1(L) \cong Z^1(L) = [L, L]^0 \cong (L/[L, L])^*$. Thus $H^1(L)$ is trivial if and only if L is its own commutator subalgebra. Note also that H^* is an additive functor, i. e. $H^*(L, M \oplus N) \cong H^*(L, M) \oplus H^*(L, N)$, so it follows that if $H^p(L) = 0$ then $H^p(L, V) = 0$ for any trivial finite dimensional L -module V .

If M is any L -module then for each $X \in L$ there is an endomorphism i_X of $C^*(L, M)$ homogeneous of degree -1 defined by $i_X m = 0$ for $m \in M = C^0(L, M)$ and $(i_X c)(X_1, \dots, X_{p-1}) = c(X, X_1, \dots, X_{p-1})$ for $c \in C^p(L, M)$, $p > 0$. For later reference we recall from [3] that the module operations of L on $C^*(L, M)$ is related to d and the operations i_X by

$$(7) \quad Xc = di_X c + i_X dc \quad X \in L, c \in C^*(L, M).$$

3. An extension of the Whitehead lemmas. We will show in § 8 that if \mathfrak{G} is the Lie algebra of a compact Lie group then for a certain class of \mathfrak{G} -modules M the natural homomorphism of $H_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ into $H^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is an isomorphism onto. If \mathfrak{G} is semi-simple it follows from the theorems we are above to prove that for such \mathfrak{G} -modules $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and $H^2(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ are trivial, a fact that would also be a consequence of the Whitehead Lemmas ([10] and [11]) if M were finite dimensional. It is in this sense that this theorem extends the Whitehead lemmas.

THEOREM. *If L is a finite dimensional Lie algebra such that $H^1(L) = 0$ then $H_I^1(L, M) = 0$ for all L -modules M . If in addition $H^2(L) = 0$ then $H_I^2(L, M) = 0$ for all L -modules M .*

Proof. $C_I^0(L, M) = \{m \in M \mid Xm = 0 \text{ for all } X \in L\}$ so if $m \in C_I^0(L, M)$ then $dm(X) = Xm = 0$ for all $X \in L$ hence $B_I^1(L, M) = 0$ and $H_I^1(L, M) \cong Z_I^1(L, M)$. By (5) of § 2 if $c \in C_I^1(L, M)$ then $dc(X, Y) = c([X, Y])$ so $Z_I^1(L, M) = \{c \in C_I^1(L, M) \mid c \text{ is zero on } [L, L]\}$. But $H^1(L) = 0$ is equivalent to $L = [L, L]$ and hence implies $H_I^1(L, M) \cong Z_I^1(L, M) = 0$.

Now let $c \in Z_I^2(L, M)$ and let V be the finite dimensional subspace of M spanned by $\{c(X, Y) \mid X, Y \in L\}$. We consider V as a trivial L -module. Assuming $H^2(L) = 0$ it follows that $H^2(L, V) = 0$. Now $c \in C^2(L, V)$ and comparing (5) and (6) of § 2 we see that $d_Tc = -d_Ic = 0$ so $c \in Z^2(L, V) = B^2(L, V)$ and hence $c = d_T\theta$ for some $\theta \in C^1(L, V) \subset C^1(L, M)$. It will suffice to prove that $\theta \in C_I^1(L, M)$, for then comparing (5) and (6) of § 2 again $d_I(-\theta) = -d_I\theta = d_T\theta = c$ so $c \in B_I^2(L, M)$ and we will have shown $Z_I^2(L, M) = B_I^2(L, M)$. Now if $X, X_1, X_2 \in L$ then from (2) of § 2

$$0 = (Xc)(X_1, X_2) = X(c(X_1, X_2)) - c([X, X_1], X_2) - c(X_1, [X, X_2])$$

$$= X(\theta([X_1, X_2])) - \theta([X, X_1], X_2) - \theta(X_1, [X, X_2])$$

and by the Jacobi identity and the linearity of θ it follows that

$$0 = X(\theta([X_1, X_2])) - \theta([X, [X_1, X_2]])$$

so, referring to (2) of § 2 again, $(X\theta)([X_1, X_2]) = 0$. Thus $X\theta$ vanishes on $[L, L] = L$ so θ is invariant. q. e. d.

4. Topological G -Modules. In this and succeeding sections G will denote a compact Lie group, G_0 its identity component, and \mathfrak{G} its Lie algebra of left invariant vector fields. By a *topological G -module* we shall mean a complete, metrizable, locally convex, real topological vector space (a Fréchet space) M together with a fixed homomorphism T of G into the group of automorphisms of M such that for each $m \in M$ the map $g \rightarrow T(g)m$ of G into M is continuous. We denote the space of continuous linear functionals on M by M^* and we write $\langle m, l \rangle$ for $l(m)$ if $(l, m) \in M^* \times M$ (which of the many possible topologies to put on M^* is irrelevant for our purposes and we shall always regard M^* as untopologized). In general we will drop explicit reference to T and simply write gm instead of $T(g)m$. Note that since M is a Fréchet space and for each $m \in M$ the orbit $\{gm \mid g \in G\}$ is compact, and hence bounded, it follows from the principle of uniform boundedness that

4.1. THEOREM. *Given a neighborhood V of zero in the topological G -module M there is a neighborhood U of zero in M such that $gu \in V$ for all $(g, u) \in G \times U$. Equivalently if $\{m_r\}$ is a sequence in M converging to m then $\{gm_r\}$ converges to gm uniformly for $g \in G$.*

Noting that $g_r m_r - gm = g_r(m_r - m) + (g_r m - gm)$ it follows from 4.1 that if $g_r \rightarrow g$ then $g_r m_r \rightarrow gm$.

4.2. COROLLARY. *If M is a topological G module then $(g, m) \rightarrow gm$ is a continuous map of $G \times M$ into M .*

Now let M be a topological G -module and M^X the linear space of functions from a compact Hausdorff space X into M . We give M^X the topology of uniform convergence, i. e. a typical neighborhood of zero is $\{f \in M^X \mid f(X) \subseteq U\}$ where U is some neighborhood of zero in M . By a step function from X to M we mean an element $f \in M^X$ whose range is a finite subset $\{m_1, \dots, m_r\}$ of M such that each $f^{-1}(m_i)$ is Borel measurable. Since a continuous function from X to M is uniformly continuous it follows easily that the space $C(X, M)$ of continuous maps of X to M is included in the closure of the space $S(X, M)$ of step functions. Given a Radon measure μ on X and $f \in S(X, M)$ we define $\int f d\mu = \sum_{m \in M} \mu(f^{-1}(m))m$. Then $f \rightarrow \int f d\mu$ is a continuous linear map from $S(X, M)$ into M and so (because M is complete) extends to a continuous linear map of the closure of $S(X, M)$ into M . Henceforth we shall only be concerned with $\int f d\mu$ when f is continuous and we shall need the following obvious facts.

- (a) $f_\alpha \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $X \Rightarrow \int f_\alpha d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$
- (b) $\int f d\mu$ is bilinear in f and μ
- (c) If $\mu(X) = 1$ then $\int f d\mu \in$ closed convex hull of $f(X)$.
- (d) If T is a continuous linear map of M into a complete topological vector space then $\int (Tf) d\mu = T \int f d\mu$.

The space $C(G)$ of continuous real valued functions on G is a Banach space in the supremum norm and becomes a topological G -module under the operations given by $(gf)(x) = f(g^{-1}x)$. If $f \in C(G)$ we define $f * m$, for m an element of a topological G -module M , to be the integral of the continuous map $g \rightarrow f(g)gm$ of G into M with respect to normalized Haar measure on G . If $l \in M^*$ then by (d) above $\langle f * m, l \rangle = \int f(g) \langle gm, l \rangle d \cdot g$. From this and the invariance of Haar measure it follows that $\langle (gf) * m, l \rangle = \langle g(f * m), l \rangle$ and since M^* separates points of M it follows that $(gf) * m = g(f * m)$.

4.3. THEOREM. *If M is a topological G -module then*

- (1) $(f, m) \rightarrow f * m$ is a continuous bilinear map of $C(G) \times M$ into M
- (2) *If $f \in C(G)$ is positive and $\int f(g) dg = 1$ then $f * m \in$ closed convex hull of $\{gm \mid f(g) \neq 0\}$.*

- (3) If $m \in M$ then $f \rightarrow f * m$ is an equivariant continuous linear map of $C(G)$ into M and m is in the closure of its range.

Proof. Statement (1) is immediate from (a) and (b) above and statement (2) follows from (c). The equivariance of $f \rightarrow f * m$ (i.e. the fact that $(gf) * m = g(f * m)$) was shown above so it remains only to show that if W is a closed convex neighborhood of m in M then there is an $f \in C(G)$ such that $f * m \in W$. Let U be a neighborhood of the identity in G such that $gm \in W$ for $g \in U$ and let f be a continuous positive function of integral one on G with support in U . Then by (2) $f * m \in W$. q. e. d.

5. Almost invariant vectors. An element m_0 of a topological G -module M is called *almost invariant* if $\{gm_0 | g \in G\}$ spans a finite dimensional subspace of M . We denote the set of almost invariant vectors in M by M_0 . Clearly M_0 is a subspace of M invariant under G , and in fact M_0 is just the linear span of the finite dimensional G -invariant subspaces of M . An almost invariant vector in $C(G)$ is called an almost invariant function on G . From the bilinearity of $(f, m) \rightarrow f * m$ and the equivariance of $f \rightarrow f * m$ it follows that if f_0 is an almost invariant function and m any element of a topological G -module M then $f_0 * m \in M_0$. Now the Peter-Weyl theorem [1, p. 203] says that the almost invariant functions are dense in $C(G)$. Since we know that m is adherent to $\{f * m | f \in C(G)\}$ and that $f \rightarrow f * m$ is continuous we have the following essentially known result.

5.1. THEOREM. *In any topological G -module M the subspace M_0 of almost invariant vectors is dense.*

5.2. THEOREM. *If M is any topological G -module then the subspace M_0 of almost invariant vectors has a \mathfrak{G} -module structure defined by $Xm = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 1/t((\text{Exp } tX)m - m)$ for $X \in \mathfrak{G}$, $m \in M_0$.*

Proof. If V is any finite dimensional invariant subspace of M_0 $(g, v) \rightarrow gv$ is an analytic map of $G \times V \rightarrow V$ (this follows for example from [1, Prop 1, p. 128]) so that the indicated limit exists for $m \in V$. That this gives a \mathfrak{G} -module on V follows from [1, Theorem 2, p. 113]. Since M_0 is the linear span of its finite dimensional invariant subspaces the theorem follows. q. e. d.

6. Differentiable G -modules.

6.1. LEMMA. *Let M be a topological G -module and $\{m_r\}$ a sequence in M converging to m . Given $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ and $l \in M^*$ suppose there exists a sequence*

$\{\omega_k\}$ in M converging to ω such that $d/dt\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m_r, l\rangle = \langle(\text{Exp } tX)\omega_r, l\rangle$. Then $d/dt\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m, l\rangle = \langle(\text{Exp } tX)\omega, l\rangle$.

Proof. By 4.1 gm_r converges to gm uniformly in g , so since l is linear and continuous and hence uniformly continuous, $\langle gm_r, l\rangle$ converges to $\langle gm, l\rangle$ uniformly in g and *a fortiori* $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m_k, l\rangle$ converges to $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m, l\rangle$ uniformly in t . Similarly $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)\omega_k, l\rangle$ converges to $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)\omega, l\rangle$ uniformly in t . By a theorem of elementary calculus this validates differentiation "under the limit sign" and gives the desired result. q. e. d.

6.2. THEOREM. Let M be a topological G -module $X \in \mathfrak{G}$, and suppose there is a function $\tilde{X}: M \rightarrow M$ such that

$$d/dt\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m, l\rangle = \langle(\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m, l\rangle$$

for all $m \in M$ and all l belonging to a separating family $S \subset M^*$. Then \tilde{X} is a continuous linear map and for $m \in M_0$ $\tilde{X}m = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 1/t((\text{Exp } tX)m - m)$.

Proof. The linearity of \tilde{X} is immediate from the linearity of differentiation and the fact that S is separating. The preceding lemma gives immediately that \tilde{X} has a closed graph and, since M is a Frechét space \tilde{X} is continuous. If $m \in M_0$ then by 5.2 $1/t((\text{Exp } tX)m - m)$ converges strongly and *a fortiori*, weakly to a limit say m' . By definition of \tilde{X} $\langle m', l\rangle = \langle\tilde{X}m, l\rangle$ for $l \in S$ and again since S is separating $m' = \tilde{X}m$. q. e. d.

6.3. THEOREM. Let M be a topological G -module, $X \in \mathfrak{G}$, and suppose that the linear map

$$m \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 1/t((\text{Exp } tX)m - m)$$

of M_0 into itself (see 5.2) is continuous. Then this map extends uniquely to a continuous linear map \tilde{X} of M into itself and $d/dt\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m, l\rangle = \langle(\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m, l\rangle$ for all $m \in M, l \in M^*$.

Proof. The existence and uniqueness of \tilde{X} follows from the completeness of M and the denseness of M_0 in M . Given $l \in M^*, m \in M_0$, and t_0 a real number $l_0: m \rightarrow \langle(\text{Exp } t_0X)m, l\rangle$ is an element of M^* and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle(\text{Exp } tX)m_0, l\rangle &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle(\text{Exp}(t+t_0)X)m_0, l\rangle \\ \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \langle(\text{Exp } tX)m_0, l_0\rangle &= \langle\tilde{X}m_0, l_0\rangle = \langle(\text{Exp } t_0X)\tilde{X}m_0, l\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)m, l\rangle$ is differentiable for $m \in M_0$ and $l \in M^*$ and its derivative is $\langle(\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m, l\rangle$. If m is an arbitrary element of M choose a sequence $\{m_r\}$ in M_0 converging to m . Then $\tilde{X}m_r \rightarrow \tilde{X}m$ and for any $l \in M^*$

$d/dt \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m_r, l \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m_r, l \rangle$ so by 6.1 $d/dt \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m, l \rangle$.
q. e. d.

6.4. THEOREM. *If M is a topological G -module then the following are equivalent conditions.*

(1) *For each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ there is a function $\tilde{X}: M \rightarrow M$ such that for all l in a separating subset of M^* $\frac{d}{dt} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } tX)\tilde{X}m, l \rangle$ for all $m \in M$.*

(2) *For each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ the map $X^0: m \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 1/t \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m - m \rangle$ of M_0 into itself (see 5.2) is continuous.*

(3) *For each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $m \in M$ $t \rightarrow (\text{Exp } tX)m$ has a weak derivative, X'_m , at $t = 0$.*

(4) *For each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ there is a map $X^*: M \rightarrow M$ such that*

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } tX)X^*m, l \rangle.$$

Moreover if any one, and hence all, of these conditions are satisfied then the maps X , X' , and X^* are all equal and are the unique continuous linear map of M into itself which extends X^0 .

Proof. It is clear that (4) implies (1) and that if \tilde{X} and X^* exist that they are equal. From 6.2 it follows that (1) implies (2) and that if \tilde{X} exists, it is the unique continuous linear extension of X^0 . From 6.3 it follows that (2) implies (3) and that X^* is the unique continuous linear extension of X^0 . It remains to show that (3) implies (4) and that $X' = X^*$. Assuming (3) holds let $l \in M^*$ and t_0 a real number and define $l_0 \in M^*$ by $m \rightarrow \langle (\text{Exp } t_0X)m, l \rangle$. Then for any $m \in M$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle (\text{Exp } ((t+t_0)X)m, l \rangle \\ \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l_0 \rangle &= \langle X'm, l_0 \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } t_0X)X'm, l \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This shows both that (4) holds and that $X^*m \equiv X'm$.

q. e. d.

6.5. Definition. A topological G -module is called differentiable if it satisfies any one and hence all of the properties (1)-(4) of 6.4.

Remark. It is easily shown by example that the maps $t \rightarrow (\text{Exp } tX)m$ need not be strongly differentiable for all m in a differentiable G -module.

6.6. **THEOREM.** *If M is a differentiable G -module then M has a \mathfrak{G} -module structure which is characterized by the identity*

$$\langle Xm, l \rangle = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle$$

for $X \in \mathfrak{G}$, $m \in M$, $l \in M^*$. Moreover each of the module operations of \mathfrak{G} on M is continuous.

Proof. Immediate from 5.1, 5.2, and 6.4.

6.7. **Definition.** If M is a differentiable G -module then the \mathfrak{G} -module structure for M described in 6.6 is called the derived \mathfrak{G} -module.

Henceforth differentiable G -modules will be regarded without explicit mention as \mathfrak{G} -modules, the derived \mathfrak{G} -module always being understood.

6.8. **THEOREM.** *If M is a differentiable G -module then:*

$$(1) \quad \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle = \langle (\text{Exp } tX)Xm, l \rangle \quad X \in \mathfrak{G}, m \in M, l \in M^*$$

$$(2) \quad gXg^{-1}m = (ad(g)X)m, \quad X \in \mathfrak{G}, g \in G, m \in M$$

(3) *If $m \in M$ then $Xm = 0$ for all $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ if and only if $gm = m$ for all $g \in G_0$.*

Proof. (1) follows easily from 6.4 and the definition of the derived \mathfrak{G} module structure. To prove (2) we note that if $l \in M^*$ and we write $\tilde{l} = l \circ g$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (ad(g)X)m, l \rangle &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle \text{Exp } t(ad(g)X)m, l \rangle \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle g(\text{Exp } tX)g^{-1}m, l \rangle \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)(g^{-1}m), \tilde{l} \rangle \\ &= \langle Xg^{-1}m, \tilde{l} \rangle = \langle gXg^{-1}m, l \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

If $gm = m$ for all $g \in G_0$ then $(\text{Exp } tX)m = m$ for all $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ and all real t hence for each $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ $t \rightarrow (\text{Exp } tX)$ has strong and therefore weak derivative zero at $t=0$ and by Definition $Xm = 0$. Conversely if $Xm = 0$ for a given $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ then by (1) $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \langle \text{Exp } tX, l \rangle \equiv 0$ so $\langle (\text{Exp } tX)m, l \rangle \equiv \langle (\text{Exp } 0X)m, l \rangle = \langle m, l \rangle$, $(\text{Exp } tX)m \equiv m$. Since G is compact every element of G_0 is of the form $\text{Exp } X$ and (3) follows. q. e. d.

7. The differentiable structure of $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. In this section we will show that if M is a differentiable G -module then $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is in a natural way a differentiable G -module also. Moreover we shall show that the derived \mathfrak{G} -module structure for $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ coincides with the other "natural" \mathfrak{G} -module structure that it has *qua* cochain complex of the \mathfrak{G} -module M (§ 1, equation (2)). Finally we shall show that the differential d is continuous on $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and commutes with each operation of G .

Since $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M) = \bigoplus_p C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M) = 0$ for $p > \dim \mathfrak{G}$, to define a differentiable G -module structure on $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ it suffices to define one on each $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$, $p > 0$. For a typical neighborhood of zero in $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ we take $\{c \in C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M) \mid c(X_1, \dots, X_p) \in U \text{ if } X_1, \dots, X_p \in B\}$ where B is a compact subset of \mathfrak{G} and U a neighborhood of zero in M . Thus $c_\alpha \rightarrow c$ means that for each compact subset B of M c_α converges uniformly to c on B^p . The metrizeability, completeness, and local convexity of $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ follow directly from the corresponding properties of M . The operations of G on $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ are defined by $(gc)(X_1, \dots, X_p) = g(c(ad(g^{-1})X_1, \dots, ad(g^{-1})X_p))$. It is obvious that each such operation is an automorphism of $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and that $(g_1g_2)c = g_1(g_2c)$. That $g \rightarrow gc$ is a continuous map of G into $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ for any $c \in C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is a straightforward argument which we leave to the reader. Given X_1, \dots, X_p in \mathfrak{G} and a $l \in M^*c \rightarrow \langle c(X_1, \dots, X_p), l \rangle$ is an element of $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)^*$ and the collection of such continuous linear functionals on $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is clearly separating. Now put

$$g(t) = c(ad(\text{Exp} - tX)X_1, \dots, ad(\text{Exp} - tX)X_p).$$

From the well-known fact that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{1}{t - t_0} (ad(\text{Exp} tX)Y - ad(\text{Exp} t_0X)Y) = ad(\text{Exp} t_0X)[X, Y]$$

it follows from the multilinearity of c that $g(t)$ is strongly differentiable at t_0 and that

$$g'(t_0) = - \sum_{i=1}^p c(ad(\text{Exp} - t_0X)X_1, \dots, ad(\text{Exp} - t_0X)[X, X_i], \dots, ad(\text{Exp} - t_0X)X_p).$$

(We have used the fact that a multilinear map of a finite dimensional space into a topological vector space is automatically continuous.) Putting $\lambda(t) = (\text{Exp} tX)g(t)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 - t_0} (\lambda(t) - \lambda(t_0)) &= \frac{1}{t - t_0} ((\text{Exp} tX)g(t_0) - g(t_0)) \\ &\quad + (\text{Exp} tX) \left(\frac{1}{t - t_0} (g(t) - g(t_0)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

By the joint continuity of $G \times C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ the second term converges to $(\text{Exp } t_0 X)g'(t_0)$ as t converges to t_0 while by (1) of 6.8 the first term converges weakly to $(\text{Exp } t_0 X)Xg(0)$. Thus if $l \in M^*$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle ((\text{Exp } tX)c)(X_1, \dots, X_p), l \rangle &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} \langle \lambda(t), l \rangle \\ &= \langle ((\text{Exp } t_0 X)(Xc))(X_1, \dots, X_p), l \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where $Xc \in C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is defined in (2) of §1. It follows that condition (1) of 6.2 is satisfied by the topological G -module $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and hence that $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is a differentiable G -module, the derived \mathfrak{G} -module structure moreover being that given in (2) of §1. If $\{c_n\}$ is a sequence in $C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ converging to c then it is clear from (1) of §1 that for any X_1, \dots, X_{p-1} $dc_\alpha(X_1, \dots, X_{p-1})$ converges in M to $dc(X_1, \dots, X_p)$, from which it is clear that the map $d: C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow C^{p+1}(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ has a closed graph and so, the domain and range being Frechét spaces, d is continuous. A similar argument shows that for each $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ the linear map $i_X: C^p(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow C^{p-1}(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is continuous.

From (2) of (6.8) it follows that $Xgc = g(ad(g^{-1})X)$ for all $g \in G$, $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ and $c \in C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. Using this and equation (1) of §1 a straightforward computation gives $g(dc) = d(gc)$.

8. The main theorem.

8.1. LEMMA. *If M is a differentiable G -module then each operation of G_0 on $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is chain homotopic to the identity, i. e. for each $g \in G_0$ there is a linear map $\lambda(g)$ of $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ into itself such $gc - c = d\lambda(g)c + \lambda(g)dc$ for all $c \in C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. Moreover, the map $g \rightarrow \lambda(g)$ can be chosen so that $g \rightarrow \lambda(g)c$ is continuous for each $c \in C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$.*

Proof. Since G_0 is compact and connected we can find, for each $g \in G_0$, $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ such that $g = \exp X$. We define $\lambda(g) \cdot c = \int_0^1 (\text{Exp } tX)i_X c \cdot dt$. Since $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is a differentiable G -module from 6.8, (1) for any $l \in (C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M))^*$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle gc - c, l \rangle &= \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} \langle (\text{Exp } tX)c, l \rangle dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \langle (\text{Exp } tX)Xc, l \rangle dt \\ &= \langle \int_0^1 ((\text{Exp } tX)Xc) dt, l \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and recalling that $Xc = di_Xc + i_Xdc$ (§ 1, (7))

$$\langle gc - c, l \rangle = \left\langle \int_0^1 (\text{Exp } tX) di_Xc + \lambda(g) dc, l \right\rangle.$$

Since d commutes with $\text{Exp } tX$ and integration we obtain

$$\langle gc - c, l \rangle = \langle d\lambda(g)c + \lambda(g)dc, l \rangle$$

This equation holds for all $l \in (C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M))^*$ and hence $\lambda(g)$ is a chain homotopy.

Now suppose that U is a small enough neighborhood of the identity so that the exponential map has a continuous inverse, f . Define then

$$\lambda_0(g)c = \int_0^1 (\text{Exp } tf(g)) i_{f(g)}c dt.$$

$\lambda_0(g)$ has the required properties and $g \rightarrow \lambda_0(g)c$ is continuous on U . Now choose g_1, \dots, g_n in G_0 so that g_iU cover G_0 , and choose $\lambda(g_i)$ satisfying the lemma. It is easily seen that if we define $\lambda_i(g)$ for $g = g_iu \in g_iU$ by

$$\lambda_i(g) = \lambda(g_i) + \lambda_0(u) + \lambda(g_i)d\lambda_0(u) + d\lambda(g_0)\lambda_0(u)$$

then $gc - c = (d\lambda_i(g) + \lambda_i(g)w)c$ and $g \rightarrow \lambda_i(g)c$ is continuous on g_iU for each $c \in C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. If we put $\phi_i(g)\lambda_i(g)c = 0$, $\{\phi_i\}$ a partition of unity refining the covering $\{g_iU\}$, for $g \notin g_iU$ then clearly $g \rightarrow \phi_i(g)\lambda_i(g)c$ is continuous on G_0 , so if we put $\lambda(g)c = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(g)\lambda_i(g)c$ then $g \rightarrow \lambda(g)c$ is continuous on U , and satisfies the requirements of the lemma.

8.2. LEMMA. *Let μ_0 be the normalized Haar measure on G_0 . If M is a differentiable G -module, define $A : C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ by $Ac = \int gc d\mu_0(g)$. Then there is a linear map λ of $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ into itself such that $Ac - c = d\lambda c + \lambda dc$ for all $c \in C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$.*

Proof. Define $\lambda c = \int (g)c d\mu_0(g)$ is chosen as in Lemma 8.1.

8.3. LEMMA. *Let M be a differentiable G -module and let $A : C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ be the linear operator defined in Lemma 8.2. Then A has the following properties:*

- (1) *It is a projection of $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ on $C_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$.*
- (2) *It commutes with d .*
- (3) *If $z \in Z^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ then $Az - z \in B^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ i.e. Az is cohomologous to z .*

Proof. Property (1) follows directly from the invariance of Haar measure and statement (3) of 6.8 (applied to $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ instead of M). Statement (2) follows from the fact that d commutes with the operations of G on $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and with the integral. Finally (3) is an immediate consequence of Lemma 8.2. q. e. d.

8.4. THE MAIN THEOREM. *If M is a derived \mathfrak{G} -module then the natural homomorphism $i^*: H_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, M) \rightarrow H^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ induced by the inclusion map of $C_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ in $C^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ is an isomorphism onto. In other words every cohomology class of $H^*(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ contains an invariant cocycle, and two invariant cocycles which differ by a coboundary differ by the coboundary of an invariant cochain.*

Proof. Immediate from 8.3.

8.5. COROLLARY. *If \mathfrak{G} is semi-simple then $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, M) = H^2(\mathfrak{G}, M) = 0$ for all derived \mathfrak{G} -modules M .*

Proof. Immediate from 8.4 and the theorem of § 3.

9. **The differentiability of tensor modules.** Let \mathfrak{M} be a differentiable G -space, i. e. \mathfrak{M} is a differentiable ($=C^\infty$) manifold and there is given a differentiable map $(g, p) \rightarrow gp$ of $G \times \mathfrak{M}$ into \mathfrak{M} (the action of G on \mathfrak{M}) such that $ep \equiv p$ and $(gg^1)p \equiv g(g^1p)$. For each $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ there is a differentiable vector field X^* on \mathfrak{M} defined by X^*_p is the tangent to $t \rightarrow (\text{Exp} - tX)p$ at $t=0$. The map $X \rightarrow X^*$ is a homomorphism of \mathfrak{G} into the Lie algebra of differentiable vector fields on \mathfrak{M} which is called the *infinitesimal generator* of the action of G on \mathfrak{M} . Let \mathcal{T} be the space of all differentiable tensor fields on \mathfrak{M} of any fixed (mixed) rank and symmetry type with the usual " C^∞ -topology" (i. e. convergence means uniform convergence of each component and of each partial derivative of any order of a component on any compact subset of a coordinate neighborhood). It is well-known that \mathcal{T} is a complete locally convex space and in fact a Montel space. Moreover if \mathfrak{M} is second countable, as we henceforth assume, then \mathcal{T} is metrizable. Each diffeomorphism ϕ of \mathfrak{M} induces an automorphism of \mathcal{T} in a well-known way and we will write this automorphism as ϕ also. Moreover if $\{\phi_n\}$ is a sequence of diffeomorphism of \mathfrak{M} converging to a diffeomorphism ϕ in the C^∞ -topology then it is clear that $\phi_n T \rightarrow \phi T$ for any $T \in \mathcal{T}$. By a theorem of Montgomery [4] if we write g^* for the operation $p \rightarrow gp$ of an element of G on \mathfrak{M} then $g \rightarrow g^*$ is continuous from G into the group of diffeomorphisms of \mathfrak{M} with the C^∞ -topology. It follows from these last two facts that

\mathcal{J} is a topological G -module if we define $gT = g^*T$. We shall call such a topological G -module a *module* of tensor fields (associated with the differentiable G -space \mathcal{M}) and shall as usual write gT instead of g^*T . It follows easily from Theorem II of [5] that a module of tensor fields \mathcal{J} is always differentiable and that for $X \in \mathfrak{L}$ and $T \in \mathcal{J}$ XT is just the usual Lie derivative of T with respect to the vector field X^* . We can now forget about the topology on \mathcal{J} and even the action of G on \mathcal{J} . All that is important for the applications we shall make is summed up in

THEOREM. *Let \mathcal{M} be a differentiable G -space and $X \rightarrow X^*$ the infinitesimal generator of the action of G on \mathcal{M} . Let \mathcal{J} be the space of all differentiable tensor fields on \mathcal{M} of a fixed rank and symmetry type, and for $X \in \mathfrak{L}$ and $T \in \mathcal{J}$ let XT be the Lie derivative of T with respect to X^* . Then this makes \mathcal{J} into a derived \mathfrak{L} -module so that (8.4 and 8.5) $H^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J}) \cong H_1^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ and if \mathfrak{L} is semi-simple $H^1(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J}) = H^2(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J}) = 0$.*

10. $H^*(G, R) \cong H^*(\mathfrak{L})$ as a special case. Consider G as a differentiable G -space under the map $(g, p) \rightarrow pg^{-1}$. Then for each $X \in \mathfrak{J}$ the associated vector field X^* on G is just X itself. Let \mathcal{J} be the tensor module of all differentiable real valued functions on G . If ω is a p -form on G then ω defines an element c of $C^p(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ by $c(X_1, \dots, X_p)(x) = \omega_x((X_1)_x, \dots, (X_p)_x)$. Conversely given $c \in C^p(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ define a p -form ω on G as follows: given $x \in G$ and tangent vectors Y_1, \dots, Y_p at x let $\omega_x(Y_1, \dots, Y_p) = c(X_1, \dots, X_p)(x)$ where X_i is the element of \mathfrak{L} satisfying $(X_i)_x = Y_i$. It is readily verified that ω is differentiable and that these two maps are mutually inverse linear isomorphisms between $C^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ and the space $\Omega_0(G)$ of differentiable forms on G . Moreover it is a well-known fact (a proof can be found in [15]) that under this correspondence the differential on $C^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ corresponds to the exterior derivative on $\Omega^*(G)$. Thus by deRham's Theorem $H^*(G, R) \cong H^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ and so by the theorem of § 9 $H^*(G, R) \cong H_1^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$. For $c \in C^p(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ we have

$$(gc)(X_1, \dots, X_p)(x) = c(ad(g^{-1})X_1, \dots, ad(g^{-1})X_p)(xg)$$

and if $X \in \mathfrak{L}$ then by left invariance $(ad(g^{-1})X)_{xg} = dRg(X_x)$ (where Rg is right translation by g). It follows that $c \in C_1^*(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ if and only if the corresponding form ω is right invariant. This gives the well-known identification of $H^*(G, R)$ with the cohomology of right invariant forms (form of Maurer-Cartan). On the other hand we see that each $c \in C^p(\mathfrak{L})$ corresponds to a unique $c' \in C_1^p(\mathfrak{L}, \mathcal{J})$ such that $c(X_1, \dots, X_p) = c'(X_1, \dots, X_p)(e)$; namely $c'(X_1, \dots, X_p)(g) = c(ad(g)X_1, \dots, ad(g)X_p)$. This sets up a

linear isomorphism between $C^*(\mathfrak{G})$ and $C_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{J})$ and referring to equations (5) and (6) of § 1 we see that d_T corresponds to $-d_I$ under this isomorphism. It follows that $H_I^*(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{J}) \cong H^*(\mathfrak{G})$ and this gives the well-known result $H^*(G, R) \cong H^*(\mathfrak{G})$. In [2], where the cohomology theory of Lie algebras was first made explicit, there is a detailed account of theorems of this general nature.

11. Infinitesimal deformation of differentiable G -spaces. Let \mathfrak{M} be a differentiable G -space, $\Phi: G \times \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ the action of G on \mathfrak{M} and $X \rightarrow X^*$ the infinitesimal generator of Φ . Suppose that for each $t \in [0, 1] = I$ there is given an action Φ_t of G on \mathfrak{M} such that $\Phi_0 = \Phi$ and such that $(g, p, t) \rightarrow \Phi_t(g, p)$ is a differentiable map of $G \times \mathfrak{M} \times I$ into \mathfrak{M} . Such a family Φ_t will be called a *deformation* of Φ and we write $X \rightarrow X_t^*$ for the infinitesimal generator of Φ_t . It is easily seen that $(X, p, t) \rightarrow (X_t^*)_p$ is a differentiable map of $\mathfrak{G} \times \mathfrak{M} \times I$ into the tangent bundle of \mathfrak{M} and it follows that for each $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ there is a differentiable vector field DX on \mathfrak{M} such that $(DX)_p = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (X_t^*)_p$. Clearly D is a linear map of \mathfrak{G} into the Lie algebra \mathfrak{V} of differentiable vector fields on \mathfrak{M} and since $[X, Y]_t^* = [X_t^*, Y_t^*]$ it follows that $D([X, Y]) = [DX, Y^*] + [X^*, DY]$. We call D the infinitesimal deformation of Φ associated with Φ_t and in general a linear map $D': \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{V}$ satisfying the above identity is called an infinitesimal deformation of Φ . Now if Φ_t is a deformation of \mathfrak{M} (i. e. $(p, t) \rightarrow \Phi_t(p)$ is a differentiable map of $\mathfrak{M} \times I \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ and for each $t \in I$ ϕ_t is a diffeomorphism of \mathfrak{M}) the vector field Z defined by $Z_p = \text{tangent to } t \rightarrow \Phi_t(p) \text{ at } t=0$ is called the infinitesimal deformation of \mathfrak{M} associated with ϕ_t . From ϕ_t we can construct a deformation Φ_t of Φ by $\Phi_t(g, p) = \phi_t(\Phi(g, \phi_t^{-1}(p)))$. A deformation of Φ that can be defined in this way is called *trivial*. It is easily seen that the associated infinitesimal deformation D of Φ is given by $DX = [Z, X^*] = \text{ad}(Z)X^*$ where Z as above is the infinitesimal deformation of \mathfrak{M} associated with ϕ_t . In general if $Z' \in \mathfrak{V}$: $X \rightarrow \text{ad}(Z')X^*$ is an infinitesimal deformation of Φ and we call such infinitesimal deformations of Φ *trivial* (at least if \mathfrak{M} is compact Z' is the infinitesimal deformation of \mathfrak{M} associated with some deformation ϕ_t of \mathfrak{M} so in this case D' is the infinitesimal deformation of Φ associated with a trivial deformation of Φ). Now consider \mathfrak{V} as a tensor module associated to the G -space \mathfrak{M} and recall that the Lie derivative of $Y \in \mathfrak{V}$ with respect to $Z \in \mathfrak{V}$ is just $[Z, Y]$ (see, for example [5] Lemma c). It follows that \mathfrak{V} is a derived \mathfrak{G} module under the operations $XY = [X^*, Y]$. Now an element of $C^1(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{V})$ is just a linear map $c: \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{V}$ and $c \in Z'(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{V})$

if and only if $0 \equiv dc(X, Y) = Xc(Y) - Yc(X) - c([X, Y])$ i. e. if and only if $c([X, Y]) = [X^*, c(Y)] + [c(X), Y^*]$. Thus $Z'(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{V})$ is just the space of infinitesimal deformations of Φ . On the other hand $c \in D'(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{V})$ if and only if for some $Z \in \mathfrak{V}c(X) \equiv dZ(X) = X(Z) = [-Z, X^*]$ i. e. if and only if c is a trivial infinitesimal deformation of Φ . Thus $H^1(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{V}) = 0$ means every infinitesimal deformation of Φ is trivial. Since \mathfrak{V} is a tensor module it follows from the Theorem of § 9 that

11.1. THEOREM. *If G is a compact semi-simple Lie group then every infinitesimal deformation of the action of G on a differentiable G -space is trivial.*

In [7] the authors prove a global form of this theorem; namely that if G is any compact Lie group (not necessarily semi-simple) then every deformation of the action of G on a compact differentiable G -space is trivial. It does not seem that either of these theorems implies the other in any obvious way.

Now let \mathfrak{L} be a finite dimensional subalgebra of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{V} of all differentiable vector fields on a compact differentiable manifold \mathfrak{M} . If \mathfrak{V} is a compact semi-simple Lie algebra (i. e. the Killing form is negative definite) then the simply connected Lie group G with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} isomorphic to \mathfrak{L} is compact and semi-simple. By Corollary 2 of Theorem XVIII of [6] an isomorphism of \mathfrak{g} onto \mathfrak{L} is the infinitesimal generator of an action of G on \mathfrak{M} . Applying 11.1

11.2. THEOREM. *If \mathfrak{L} is a compact semi-simple sub-algebra of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{V} of differentiable vector fields on a compact differentiable manifold, then every derivation of \mathfrak{L} into \mathfrak{V} is the restriction to \mathfrak{L} of an inner derivation of \mathfrak{V} .*

12. Lifting of group actions. In this section we assume that our compact Lie group G is connected and denote by \tilde{G} its simply connected covering group. We shall identify the Lie algebras of G and \tilde{G} under the isomorphism given by the differential of the covering homomorphism. We note that a differentiable G -space \mathfrak{M} is in a natural way a differentiable \tilde{G} -space and that the homomorphisms of \mathfrak{g} into the Lie algebra \mathfrak{V} of differentiable vector fields on \mathfrak{M} which are the infinitesimal generators of the actions of G and \tilde{G} on \mathfrak{M} are the same.

In general a homomorphism $X \rightarrow X^*$ of \mathfrak{g} into \mathfrak{V} is not the infinitesimal generator of an action of G or even \tilde{G} on \mathfrak{M} if \mathfrak{M} is not compact. However it is shown in [6, Theorem III, p. 95] that if each of the vector fields X^* generates a global one-parameter group of diffeomorphism of \mathfrak{M} then $X \rightarrow X^*$

is the infinitesimal generator of a unique action of \tilde{G} on \mathcal{M} . Now if X^* does not generate a global one parameter group of diffeomorphism of \mathcal{M} then (for example, see [6, p. 84 and p. 73]) there is an integral curve σ of X^* defined on an interval $[0, a)$ or $(a, 0]$ such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \sigma(t) = \infty$ (i. e. for each compact subset K of \mathcal{M} $\sigma(t) \notin K$ for t sufficiently close to a). Suppose now Y is a vector field on a differentiable manifold \mathcal{N} , X a vector field on \mathcal{M} and $f: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is a differentiable map such that $df(Y_p) \equiv X_{f(p)}$ (under these circumstances we say, following Chevalley [1, p. 84] that Y and X are f -related). Then if σ is an integral curve of $Y \circ f$ is an integral curve of X and it follows from the above remark that if X generates a global one parameter group of diffeomorphisms of \mathcal{M} and if f is proper then Y generates a global one parameter group of diffeomorphisms of \mathcal{N} .

Now let $X \rightarrow X^*$ be the infinitesimal generator of the action of G on a differentiable G -space \mathcal{M} and let π be the projection of a differentiable fiber bundle B over \mathcal{M} , having compact fiber. Then π is proper and it follows that there is a one-to-one correspondence between actions of \tilde{G} on B for which π is equivariant and homomorphisms $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ of \mathfrak{G} into the Lie algebra of differentiable vector fields on \mathcal{M} such that X^τ and X^* are π -related for all $X \in \mathfrak{G}$. We now specialize further and assume that B is a principle-bundle with structural group a compact connected Lie group H and we write $(h, b) \rightarrow hb$ for the action of H on B (this conflicts with the more customary usage in which the structural group acts on the right, but it is only necessary to define hb to be bh^{-1}).

For a diffeomorphism of B to be a bundle map, i. e. equivariant with respect to the action of H , means just that it commutes with each operation of H ; hence if $Z \rightarrow Z^*$ is the homomorphism of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{A} of H into the differentiable vector fields on B which generates the action of H , then a one parameter group of diffeomorphism of B consists of bundle maps if and only if its infinitesimal generator Y satisfies $[Y, Z^*] = 0$ for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$. Thus

12.1. THEOREM. *Let $X \rightarrow X^*$ be the infinitesimal generator of the action of G on a differentiable G -space \mathcal{M} . Let H be a compact connected Lie group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{A} , B a differentiable principle H -bundle over \mathcal{M} with projection π and $Z \rightarrow Z^*$ the infinitesimal generator of the action of H on B . Then there is a one-to-one correspondence between actions of \tilde{G} on B equivariant with respect to π such that each operation of \tilde{G} on B is a bundle equivalence, and homomorphisms $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ of \mathfrak{G} into the Lie algebra of differentiable vector fields on B such that*

- (1) X^τ and X^* are π -related for all $X \in \mathfrak{G}$
- (2) $[X^\tau, Z^*] = 0$ for all $X \in \mathfrak{G}$, $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$.

A homomorphism $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ satisfying (1) and (2) will be called a lifting of \mathfrak{L} to B . A linear map $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ of \mathfrak{L} into the Lie algebra of differentiable vector fields on B which satisfies these conditions will be called a *pseudo-lifting* of \mathfrak{L} to B . To construct a pseudo-lifting of \mathfrak{L} to B it is only necessary to choose an H -invariant Riemannian-metric for B and let X_b^τ be the unique vector at b orthogonal to the fibre which projects onto $X^*_{\pi(b)}$. It is easily checked that X^τ is differentiable and by construction it is π -related to X^* . That X^τ is H -invariant and hence commutes with Z^* for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$ follows from the invariance of the metric. Liftings of \mathfrak{L} to B on the other hand need not always exist and one of the principle results of this section is that they in fact do exist (and are essentially unique) if H is a torus and G is semi-simple. In general we have the relation $Z^*_{hb} = dh(ad(h^{-1})Z)^*_b$ for $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$, $h \in H$. We now make a final simplifying assumption, namely that H is a torus so that it follows from the above relation that Z^* is an H -invariant vector field on B for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$. A vector field Y on B is called *vertical* if $\delta\pi(Y) = 0$ (i.e. Y is π -related to zero). Clearly for each $p \in \mathfrak{M}$ $Z \rightarrow Z^*|_{\pi^{-1}(p)}$ is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{A} with the space of vertical H -invariant vector fields on $\pi^{-1}(p)$. It follows that every vector field Y on B which is vertical and H -invariant is of the form $b \rightarrow (f(\pi(b)))^*_b$ for a uniquely determined function $f: \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$, moreover Y is differentiable if and only if f is differentiable (the latter meaning of course that $l \circ f$ is differentiable for every linear functional l on \mathfrak{A}). It follows that we may identify the space M of differentiable maps of \mathfrak{M} into \mathfrak{A} with the space of all vertical vector fields on B which are H -invariant (or, equivalently, which commute with Z^* for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$). We note that since \mathfrak{A} is abelian any two elements of M , considered as vertical vector fields, commute. If Y is a vector field on \mathfrak{M} and $m \in M$ then Ym is a well defined element of M ; namely its value $(Ym)(p)$ at $p \in \mathfrak{M}$ is the unique element of \mathfrak{A} such that $l((Ym)(p)) = Yp(l \circ m)$ for each linear functional l on \mathfrak{A} . Moreover by considering local product representations of B it is easily seen that if Y' is a vector field on B π -related to Y then $Ym = [Y', m]$. Clearly M becomes a \mathfrak{L} -module if we define $Xm = X^*_m$ for $X \in \mathfrak{L}$, $m \in M$. Moreover from the previous remark $Xm = [X^\tau, m]$ if $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ is any pseudo-lifting of \mathfrak{L} to B . If \mathfrak{F} is the tensor module of differentiable real valued functions on \mathfrak{M} and X_1, \dots, X_n is a basis for \mathfrak{A} then $(f_1, \dots, f_n) \rightarrow f_1X_1 + \dots + f_nX_n$ (where the latter means the element of M whose value at p is $\sum f_i(p)X_i$) is an isomorphism (as \mathfrak{L} -modules) of the n -fold direct sum of \mathfrak{F} with itself and M . It follows from the theorem of § 9 that $H^*(\mathfrak{L}, M) \cong H_I(\mathfrak{L}, M)$ and that if G is semi-simple then $H^1(\mathfrak{L}, M) = H^2(\mathfrak{L}, M) = 0$. We collect these results as

12.2. THEOREM. *With the assumptions of 12.1 and the additional assumption that H is a torus let M be the linear space of differentiable maps of \mathfrak{M} into \mathfrak{A} . If we identify $m \in M$ with the vector field on B whose value at b is $(m(\pi(b)))^*_b$, then this gives a linear isomorphism of M with the linear space of differentiable vertical vector fields on B which commute with Z^* for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$. Considered as vertical vector fields on B any two elements of M commute. Moreover M is a \mathfrak{G} -module satisfying $H^*(\mathfrak{G}, M) = H^*_I(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ (and hence $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, M) = H^2(\mathfrak{G}, M) = 0$ if G is semi-simple) the module structure being characterized by the relation $Xm = [X^\tau, m]$ if $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ is any pseudo-lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B .*

Continuing now with the same assumptions, with each pseudo-lifting $\tau: X \rightarrow X^\tau$ of \mathfrak{G} to B we associate a map c_τ of $\mathfrak{G} \times \mathfrak{G}$ into vector fields on B by $c_\tau(X, Y) = [X^\tau, Y^\tau] - [X, Y]^\tau$. Clearly c_τ is a measure of how much τ fails to be a lifting, i. e. $c_\tau \equiv 0$ if and only if τ is a lifting. Now $[X, Y]^\tau$ is π -related to $[X, Y]^*$ and by [1, p. 85] $[X^\tau, Y^\tau]$ is π -related to $[X^*, Y^*] = [X, Y]^*$. It follows that $c_\tau(X, Y)$ is π -related to 0, i. e. is vertical. Since $[X, Y]^\tau$ and $[X^\tau, Y^\tau]$ commute with Z^* for all $Z \in \mathfrak{A}$ ($[X, Y]^\tau$ by definition of a pseudo-lifting, $[X^\tau, Y^\tau]$ by the same plus the Jacobi identity) so does $c_\tau(X, Y)$, hence we can identify $c_\tau(X, Y)$ with an element of M . Moreover c_τ is clearly bilinear and skew-symmetric and hence an element of $C^2(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ If X_1, X_2, X_3 belong to \mathfrak{G} then

$$\begin{aligned} [X_1^\tau, [X_2^\tau, X_3^\tau]] &= [X_1^\tau, [X_2, X_3]^\tau + c_\tau(X_2, X_3)] \\ &= [X_1, [X_2, X_3]]^\tau + c_\tau(X_1, [X_2, X_3]) + X_1 c_\tau(X_2, X_3) \end{aligned}$$

Now $[X_1^\tau, [X_2^\tau, X_3^\tau]]$ satisfies the Jacobi identity, i. e. its sum with its two cyclic permutations is zero. Since τ is linear so does $[X_1, [X_2, X_3]]^\tau$. Writing out the cyclic permutations of the above equation and summing we get an equation which gives $dc_\tau(X_1, X_2, X_3) = 0$, hence $c_\tau \in Z^2(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. We call c_τ the *error cocycle* of the pseudo-lifting τ .

Now let $\gamma \in C^1(\mathfrak{G}, M)$, i. e. γ is a linear map of \mathfrak{G} into M . Then it is clear that $\sigma: X \rightarrow X^\sigma = X^\tau + \gamma(X)$ is another pseudo-lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B and that conversely every pseudo lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B is of this form for a unique $\gamma \in C^1(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. We call γ the difference cochain of σ and τ . Recalling from 12.2 that $[\gamma(X), \gamma(Y)] = 0$ for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{G}$

$$\begin{aligned} c_\sigma(X, Y) &= [X^\sigma + \gamma(X), Y^\sigma + \gamma(Y)] - [X, Y]^\sigma - \gamma([X, Y]) \\ &= [X^\tau, Y^\tau] - [X, Y]^\tau - \gamma([X, Y] + X\gamma(Y) - Y\gamma(X)) \\ &= c_\tau(X, Y) + d\gamma(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

or in words, the difference of the error cocycles c_σ and c_τ is just the co-boundary of the difference cochain $\gamma = \sigma - \tau$. Thus the set of error cocycles associated with pseudo-liftings of \mathfrak{G} to B is an entire cohomology class $\omega \in H^2(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ which we call the *obstruction to a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B* . By what we have seen above a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B exists if and only if ω contains the zero element, thus we have the only apparently tautological statement

12.3. THEOREM. *If B is a principle torus bundle over a differentiable G -space \mathfrak{M} , then a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B exists if and only if the obstruction to a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B vanishes.*

Since $\omega \in H^2(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ which by 12.2 is zero if G is semi-simple.

12.4. COROLLARY. *If G is a compact semi-simple Lie group and B is a principle torus bundle over a differentiable G -space \mathfrak{M} then there is a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B .*

We now consider the uniqueness problem for liftings of \mathfrak{G} to B . Returning to our general situation let σ and τ be two liftings of \mathfrak{G} to B . Their difference cochain γ is clearly a one-cocycle. Conversely $\gamma \in Z^1(\mathfrak{G}, M)$ and τ is a lifting of \mathfrak{G} to B then so is $\sigma = \tau + \gamma$. Assume now that the obstruction cocycle ω is zero so that a lifting τ of \mathfrak{G} to B exists and assume also that $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, M) = 0$ so that by the above remark every lifting σ of \mathfrak{G} to B is of the form $\tau + dm$ for some $m \in M = C^0(\mathfrak{G}, M)$. More explicitly $X^\sigma = X^\tau + Xm = X^\tau + [X^\tau, m]$.

The most general bundle equivalence of B is of the form $b \rightarrow f(\pi(b))b$ when f is a differentiable map of \mathfrak{M} into H . Since $\text{Exp}: \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow H$ is the universal covering map of H it follows that every such f can be written in the form $\text{Exp} \circ m$ for some $m \in M$. Moreover by taking a local product representation of B it is easily seen that if h is the bundle equivalence given by $b \rightarrow (\text{Exp}(m(\pi(b))))b$ then $dh(X^{\tau_{h^{-1}(b)}}) = (X^\tau + Xm)_b$ i. e. $X^\sigma = dh \circ X^\tau \circ h^{-1}$. It follows that if $(g, b) \rightarrow gb$ is the action of \tilde{G} on B generated by X^τ then the action generated by X^σ is $(gb) \rightarrow hgh^{-1}(b)$. Since $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, M) = 0$ if G is semi-simple combining these remarks with 12.1 and 12.4 we have

12.5. THEOREM. *If G is a semi-simple compact Lie group, \mathfrak{M} a differentiable G -space, and B a torus bundle over \mathfrak{M} , then there is a differentiable action $(g, b) \rightarrow gb$ of \tilde{G} on B which is equivariant with respect to the projection of B on \mathfrak{M} and is such that each operation of \tilde{G} on B is a bundle map. Moreover this action is essentially unique in the sense that every other such*

action of \tilde{G} on B is of the form $(g, b) \rightarrow hgh^{-1}b$ where h is a differentiable bundle equivalence of B .

The latter theorem can be significantly generalized as follows

12.6. THEOREM. *Let G be a simply connected compact Lie group, H a solvable, connected Lie group, \mathfrak{M} a differentiable G -space and B a differentiable principle H -bundle over \mathfrak{M} . Then there is a differentiable action of G on B such that the projection of B on \mathfrak{M} is equivariant and each operation of G on B is a bundle map. Moreover this action is essentially unique in the sense that any other action of G on B with these properties is related by conjugation with a bundle equivalence as in 12.5.*

Proof. By induction on $\dim H$. If $\dim H = 1$ then either H is a circle group and the theorem is a consequence of 12.5 or else H is isomorphic to the additive group of real numbers. In the latter case H is solid so that [8, p. 55] B is a product bundle so that existence of the required type of action of G on B is obvious. Uniqueness can be proved just as in 12.5. Now suppose $\dim H > 1$ and that the theorem holds for all H of smaller dimension. Then H has a closed normal subgroup N such that both N and H/N are connected solvable Lie groups of dimension smaller than that of H . Now B is a principle N -bundle over the orbit space B/N and B/N is a principle H/N bundle over \mathfrak{M} and the composition of the projections $B \rightarrow B/N \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ is just the bundle projection $B \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$. By the induction hypothesis we can lift the action of G —first to B/N and then to B . Moreover any action of the appropriate sort on B induces one on B/N . Since the liftings from \mathfrak{M} to B/N and from B/N to B are essentially unique by the induction hypothesis, the same follows easily for the lifting from \mathfrak{M} to B .

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