

Conjugacy Classes in Semisimple Algebraic Groups
(Revisions)

- 7** In line 3 replace $M_{\mu-k\alpha}$ by $M_{\mu+k\alpha}$.
- 8** In line -11 read $\mathfrak{sl}(r+1, K)$.
- 9** In line 8, just before “The center of \mathfrak{g} is”, insert: “Let $p = 2$.”
- 18** The second sentence following Proposition 1.9 should conclude: “. . . the orbit map $G \rightarrow \text{Cl}(x)$ induces an isomorphism $G/C_G(x) \cong \text{Cl}(x)$.”
- 20** In line -4 read “semisimple”.
- 22** At end of line -8 read “elements of G ”. At the beginning of line -2 read: “Obviously $C \supset C_G(X) \cap C_G(x) \dots$ ”
- 29** In the final paragraph, delete the sentence “For any abelian group $A \dots$ ”. Rewrite the following sentence: “We want to show that K^\times is isomorphic to the subgroup $(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})_{p'}$ of \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} consisting of elements of order prime to p . Clearly $(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})_{p'} \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p'}/\mathbb{Z}$, where $\mathbb{Q}_{p'}$ consists of rational numbers representable as fractions a/b with $p \nmid b$.”
- 37** In line 12 read “ $\varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j \in \Phi \cap \overline{A} \dots$ ”. In lines 15–17, read “If precisely two such components occur, $\overline{\Psi} - \Psi$ yields a single nonzero coset in the Klein 4-group \overline{A}/A , which is not annihilated by some character (of order 2, prime to p).”
In line -10, read “Let H be a connected”.
- 45** The last symbol on line 11 should be g_0 .
- 57** In line 3, read “ $\lambda \in P$ ”. Replace lines 6–7 by: “Moreover, one can totally order the vector space E in a way compatible with the positive system in Φ , so that $\mu > 0$ whenever $\langle \lambda, \mu \rangle > 0$. (Use a lexicographic ordering with λ as first basis vector.)” Delete line 14: “Unless $\alpha \dots$ ”
- 61** In line 11, replace “which in turn” by “whose identity component”.
- 64** In line -12, replace “a positive root in Φ' ” by “a positive root”.
- 65** Begin line -11 with “The restriction to X of this map . . .” In line -2 read “ $\alpha_k(t) = c_k$ ”.
- 66** In line 9, replace “lies in U_i ” by “lies in V_i ”.

- 67** In line -5 read: “the regular unipotent elements in G' are dense in the unipotent variety of G' ”.
- 68** Replace the sentence beginning “Now we get ...” on line 6 with: “Now use the method of 0.15 to construct a closed subset of $G/C_G(s) \times G$ mapping onto $F-R$, by taking pairs $(gC_G(s), x)$ for which $g^{-1}xg \in I$.” Replace line 9 by: “Most of the fibres of π consist of a single class (a regular semisimple class).”
- 71** In last line of (1), read $\chi_1(g)$ in place of $\chi(g)$.
- 72** In line 25, replace $\chi(x)$ by $\chi_1(x)$.
- 73** In line 4, read: “The differentials $d\chi_i$ are independent at $x \dots$ ” In line 15, reference should be Steinberg [185, (2)].
- 74** In lines 8 and 12, replace τ_{\pm} by τ_i^{\pm} . Expand the proof in the final paragraph of 4.21, giving more explicit details.
- 79** In line 4, omit the extra “an”. Read “ $\{\alpha \in \Phi^+ \mid w(\alpha) < 0\}$.” at the end of line 15. In line -6 replace “proposition” by “theorem”.
- 80** Replace the first sentence of Theorem 5.3 (iii) by: “Each element $u \in C$ lies in only finitely many conjugates of V .”
- 81** Line 5 should begin: “ $\dim \text{Cl}_P(u) = \dim V$.”
- 81** Replace the first two sentences in the second paragraph of the proof by: “Theorem 5.2 shows that there exist elements of $\text{Cl}(V)$ lying in only finitely many conjugates of V , which (by the proof of Corollary 5.2) form an open subset of $\text{Cl}(V)$. This set is clearly a union of conjugacy classes, so it includes the chosen open class $\text{Cl}(u)$.”
- 91** Add to 5.10 a discussion of Borho’s approach to the proof, with added citation.
- 93** In line 8 read “ G is a connected semisimple group of rank r .”
- 96** In the last line, replace h_i by $h^{(i-1)}$.
- 99** In line 9 read “the fibres gB of ...” In line -13 replace “ $v =$ ” by “ $v \in$ ”.
- 101** In line -3 follow the displayed set by “ $\rightarrow G/B^{(w)}$ ”.

102 Replace the display in line 13 by

$$\dim C_G(u) + (\dim(C \cap U^{(w)}) - \dim U^{(w)}) = r + 2 \dim \mathfrak{B}_u.$$

103 In line 24 replace $\pm\alpha_j$ by α_j . In line 27 replace “Each of the root systems” by “The Weyl group of each root system”.

106 In line –6 replace $q \in Q_\beta$ by $q \in P_\beta$.

110 In line 23 replace V/F_{n-i} by V/V_{n-i} .

111 In line –7 replace “case-by-work” with “case-by-case work”.

112 In (ii) of the lemma, replace W/W' by $W' \setminus W$.

113 In line 4, replace W/W' by $W' \setminus W$.

118 In line 1 of 6.21, read “Theorem 6.20”.

127 Replace the sentence on lines 3–6 by: “This equals $d_0 + d_1$, since each irreducible \mathfrak{a} -summand of \mathfrak{g} has a 1-dimensional intersection with \mathfrak{g}_0 or \mathfrak{g}_1 (but not both). Among these are $d_0 - d_2$ trivial \mathfrak{a} -summands. To summarize:”

128 Replace line –6 by

$$\lambda_1 - 1, \lambda_1 - 3, \dots, -(\lambda_1 - 3), -(\lambda_1 - 1), \dots, \lambda_d - 1, \lambda_d - 3, \dots, -(\lambda_d - 3), -(\lambda_d - 1)$$

In line –9 read $\mathfrak{sl}(2, K)$.

131 In line –2 replace $x_{-\beta}$ by y_β .

133 In lines 17–19, read “...is needed because centralizers need not be connected. We say that a unipotent element u (or its class) is distinguished if the group $C_G(u)^\circ$ is unipotent.”

133 In line 26 read “distinguished”.

138 In the first line below the table, read “come from”.

141 In line –11 replace “fails to be normal” by “has non-normal closure”.

148 In line 10 replace $a \equiv bF(c)^{-1}$ by $a \equiv cbF(c)^{-1}$. In the last line read “upper unitriangular group”.

149 The first symbol on the first line should be G (not U).

- 154** In line 14 read “if and only if it lies in”. In part (ii) of the theorem, read “in $|C_U(u)/C_U(u)^\circ|$ classes.” In line –11 replace q^{m-r} by $q^{m-r}(q-1)^r$.
- 169** Reword the second sentence of (4) in 9.6: “This map respects the gradings, and its image lies in the fixed point space . . .”
- 176** In line 2, cite the paper by Shi.
- 195** Subtract 4 from each page number in the Index.

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