

MAT 552

Introduction to

Lie Groups and Lie Algebras

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Proof. One can carry any given tensor at e to any $a \in G$ by $L_a : T_e G \rightarrow T_a G$.

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where integral taken component-by-component, so

$$\overline{(f_1, \dots, f_n)} = (\overline{f_1}, \dots, \overline{f_n}).$$

If $f : \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{V}$ is a continuous vector-space-valued function, can similarly define its average by

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and this coincides with the \mathbb{R}^n -valued case relative to any basis for \mathbb{V} .

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