

List of Satake and Vogan Diagrams of Real Simple Lie Algebras

Define $\mathfrak{gl}(n, F)$ for a (skew) field F and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ as the Lie algebra of n -by- n matrices over F and define the *classical matrix algebras* as follows:

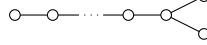
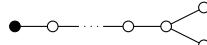
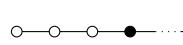
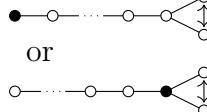
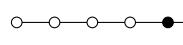
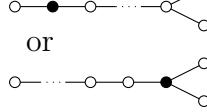
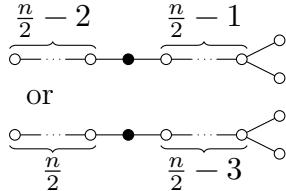
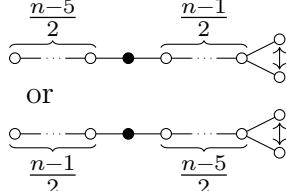
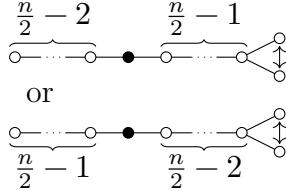
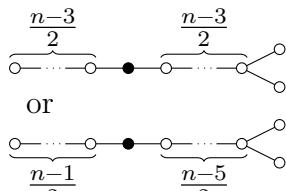
$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{R}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid \text{Tr } x = 0\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{C}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid \text{Tr } x = 0\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{H}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{H}) \mid \text{Re Tr } x = 0\} & (n \geq 1) \\
\mathfrak{so}(n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid x^T + x = 0\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{so}(n, \mathbb{C}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid x^T + x = 0\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{so}(m, n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(m+n, \mathbb{R}) \mid x^T \cdot I_{m,n} + I_{m,n} x = 0\} & (m+n \geq 3) \\
\mathfrak{so}^*(2n) &= \left\{ x \in \mathfrak{sl}(2n, \mathbb{C}) \middle| \begin{array}{l} x^T I_{n,n} J_{n,n} + I_{n,n} J_{n,n} x = 0 \\ \text{and } \bar{x}^T I_{n,n} + I_{n,n} x = 0 \end{array} \right\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{su}(n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid \bar{x}^T + x = 0\} & (n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{su}(m, n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid \bar{x}^T I_{m,n} + I_{m,n} x = 0\} & (m+n \geq 2) \\
\mathfrak{sp}(2n, \mathbb{R}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(2n, \mathbb{R}) \mid x^T J_{n,n} + J_{n,n} x = 0\} & (n \geq 1) \\
\mathfrak{sp}(2n, \mathbb{C}) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(2n, \mathbb{C}) \mid x^T J_{n,n} + J_{n,n} x = 0\} & (n \geq 1) \\
\mathfrak{sp}(2n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{H}) \mid \bar{x}^T + x = 0\} & (n \geq 1) \\
\mathfrak{sp}(2m, 2n) &= \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(m+n, \mathbb{H}) \mid \bar{x}^T I_{m,n} + I_{m,n} x = 0\} & (m+n \geq 1)
\end{aligned}$$

The algebras $\mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{C})$, $\mathfrak{so}(n, \mathbb{C})$, $\mathfrak{sp}(2n, \mathbb{C})$ are the classical complex simple Lie algebras and are hence also simple when regarded as Lie algebras over the field of the real numbers [Kna96, Thm. 6.95]. Their Satake and Vogan diagrams however are not connected (let \mathfrak{g} be one of those algebras regarded as real Lie algebra, then its complexification $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ is isomorphic to two copies of \mathfrak{g} , especially not simple) and they are therefore not included in the list below.

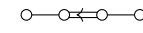
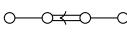
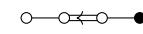
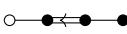
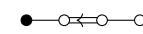
Bump [Bum13, Table 28.1], Helgason [Hel78, Chapter X] and Knapp [Kna96, §6.10] now give the following classification for the real forms \mathfrak{g} of complex simple Lie-Algebras with Cartan decomposition $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}$ and their respective Satake and Vogan diagrams:

Type	\mathfrak{g}	\mathfrak{k}	Satake diagram	Vogan diagram
A	$\mathfrak{su}(n+1)$	$\mathfrak{su}(n+1)$	$\bullet - \bullet - \cdots - \bullet - \bullet$	$\circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$
A I	$\mathfrak{sl}(n+1, \mathbb{R}),$ $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$	$\mathfrak{so}(n+1)$	$\circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$	
A I	$\mathfrak{sl}(n+1, \mathbb{R}),$ $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$	$\mathfrak{so}(n+1)$	$\circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$	
A II	$\mathfrak{sl}(\frac{1}{2}(n+1), \mathbb{H}),$ $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$	$\mathfrak{sp}(n+1)$	$\bullet - \circ - \bullet - \cdots - \circ - \bullet$	
A III	$\mathfrak{su}(2, n-1),$ $n \geq 4$			$\circ - \bullet - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$
A III	$\mathfrak{su}(3, n-2),$ $n \geq 6$			$\circ - \circ - \bullet - \circ - \cdots - \circ - \circ$
A III	\vdots		\vdots	\vdots
A III	$\mathfrak{su}(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{n}{2}+1),$ $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$			$\circ - \cdots - \circ - \bullet - \circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ$
A III	$\mathfrak{su}(\frac{n-1}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2}),$ $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$			$\circ - \cdots - \circ - \bullet - \circ - \circ - \cdots - \circ$
A IV	$\mathfrak{su}(1, n),$ $n \geq 2$			

Type	\mathfrak{g}	\mathfrak{k}	Satake diagram	Vogan diagram
B	$\mathfrak{so}(2n+1)$	$\mathfrak{so}(2n+1)$		
B I	$\mathfrak{so}(2,2n-1), n \geq 2$			
B I	$\mathfrak{so}(4,2n-3), n \geq 3$			
B I	$\mathfrak{so}(6,2n-5), n \geq 4$			
B I	\vdots		\vdots	\vdots
B I	$\mathfrak{so}(2n-2,3), n \geq 2$			
B II	$\mathfrak{so}(2n,1)$			
C	$\mathfrak{sp}(2n)$	$\mathfrak{sp}(2n)$		
C I	$\mathfrak{sp}(2n, \mathbb{R})$			
C II	$\mathfrak{sp}(2n-2,2), n \geq 3$	$\mathfrak{sp}(2n-2) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(2)$		
C II	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
C II	$\mathfrak{sp}(n+1, n-1), n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, n \geq 3$	$\mathfrak{sp}(n+1) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(n-1)$		
C II	$\mathfrak{sp}(n, n), n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n \geq 4$	$\mathfrak{sp}(n) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(n)$		

Type	\mathfrak{g}	\mathfrak{k}	Satake diagram	Vogan diagram
D	$\mathfrak{so}(2n)$	$\mathfrak{so}(2n)$		
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(2n-2,2), n \geq 4$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(2n-3,3), n \geq 5$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(2n-4,4), n \geq 6$			
D I	\vdots	\vdots		\vdots
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n+2,n-2), n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n \geq 6$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n+2,n-2), n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, n \geq 5$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n+1,n-1), n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n \geq 4$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n+1,n-1), n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, n \geq 5$			

Type	\mathfrak{g}	\mathfrak{k}	Satake diagram	Vogan diagram
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n,n),$ $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$			
D I	$\mathfrak{so}(n,n),$ $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$			
D II	$\mathfrak{so}(2n-1,1)$			
D III	$\mathfrak{so}^*(2n),$ $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$			
D III	$\mathfrak{so}^*(2n),$ $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$			
E	\mathfrak{e}_6	\mathfrak{e}_6		
E	\mathfrak{e}_7	\mathfrak{e}_7		
E	\mathfrak{e}_8	\mathfrak{e}_8		
E I		$\mathfrak{sp}(8)$		
E II		$\mathfrak{su}(6) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$		
E III		$\mathfrak{so}(10) \oplus \mathbb{R}$		
E IV		\mathfrak{f}_4		
E V		$\mathfrak{su}(8)$		
E VI		$\mathfrak{so}(12) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$		
E VII		$\mathfrak{e}_6 \oplus \mathbb{R}$		
E VIII		$\mathfrak{so}(16)$		
E IX		$\mathfrak{e}_7 \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$		

Type	\mathfrak{g}	\mathfrak{k}	Satake diagram	Vogan diagram
F	\mathfrak{f}_4	\mathfrak{f}_4		
F I		$\mathfrak{sp}(6) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$		
F II		$\mathfrak{so}(9)$		
G	\mathfrak{g}_2	\mathfrak{g}_2		
G I		$\mathfrak{su}(2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$		

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