

Exercises on algebraic groups - I

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All groups are over a field k of characteristic 0.

1. Check that D_n (diagonal matrices), T_n (upper triangular), U_n (upper triangular unipotent) and SL_n are closed subgroups of GL_n .
2. Let G be an affine algebraic group. Show that any finite subgroup of G is an affine algebraic group.
3. Show that the only algebraic automorphisms of \mathbb{G}_m are $x \mapsto x$ and $x \mapsto x^{-1}$.
4. Show that \mathbb{G}_a and \mathbb{G}_m are not isomorphic.
5. Show that \mathbb{G}_a , \mathbb{G}_m , D_n , T_n , U_n and SL_n are connected but O_n is not connected. Determine the connected component of the identity of O_n .
6. Let G be a connected algebraic group and N a *finite* normal subgroup. Show that N is contained in the centre of G .
7. Determine all algebraic group homomorphisms $\mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$.
8. Determine the group of automorphisms of \mathbb{G}_m^r .
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