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Cartan Pairs and Shared Orbit Pairs

We study a class of pairs of Lie algebras $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}_1)$ that we call Cartan pairs; here \mathfrak{g} is semisimple and \mathfrak{g}_1 is a reductive in \mathfrak{g} subalgebra. For these pairs, which generalize symmetric ones, we have standardly defined Cartan subspaces, and consequently the set of restricted roots $\Sigma(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{a})$. We prove that there are infinitely many interesting nonsymmetric Cartan pairs. Next we prove that every pair of the well known Brylinski-Kostant list of shared orbit pairs is a Cartan pair. As a continuation of the previous research we obtained some further useful and clarifying results and examples related to Cartan pairs and Cartan subspaces.

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