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Following A. Haefliger's point of view [see *J. Differential Geom.* **15** (1980), no. 2, 269–284; [MR0614370 \(82j:57027\)](#)], to a foliation \mathfrak{F} on a manifold M is associated an equivalence class $[\mathfrak{H}]$ of pseudogroups (a representative of which is the pseudogroup \mathfrak{H} induced by holonomy on a complete transversal submanifold). A natural problem is to study what sort of pseudogroup is this holonomy pseudogroup if M is a closed manifold.

In this paper, the author studies the case where (M, \mathfrak{F}) is a \mathfrak{g} -foliation on a closed manifold [E. Fedida, "Feuilletages du plan; feuilletages de Lie", Thèse, Univ. Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg, 1973; *BullSig*(110) 1974:2599; see *Differential topology, foliations and Gelfand-Fuks cohomology* (Rio de Janeiro, 1976), 183–195, Lecture Notes in Math., 652, Springer, Berlin, 1978; see [MR 80a:57012](#)]; if G is the simply connected Lie group with \mathfrak{g} as Lie algebra, then \mathfrak{H} is equivalent to a subgroup Γ of G . This "holonomy group" of (M, \mathfrak{F}) is a quotient of the fundamental group $\pi_1(M)$. Hence Γ is finitely generated. Moreover, as M fibers over $G/\overline{\Gamma}$, this homogeneous space is compact.

The author obtains a new property of such a subgroup Γ , involving the notion of "real cohomological dimension" of a CW-complex. If $\text{rcd}(X)$ denotes this dimension, and if Γ is a group, then by definition, $\text{rcd}(\Gamma) = \text{rcd}(K(\Gamma, 1))$. The principal result of the author is the inequality $\text{rcd}(\Gamma) \geq \dim G - \dim K$, where K is a maximal compact subgroup of G . Using this property, the author shows that, if G is the affine group of \mathbf{R} , and Γ is generated by elements $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} a_l & b_l \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, a necessary condition in order that Γ may be the holonomy group of a \mathfrak{g} -Lie foliation is that $a_1, b_1, \dots, a_l, b_l$ be algebraically dependent over \mathbf{Q} .

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