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*Looking for a natural notion of superspace*

It will be shown, in a self-contained and rather elementary fashion, how to classify all the Lie superalgebras that are associated naturally (*i.e.*, via the adjoint representation) to a given real or complex 3-dimensional Lie algebra. The same classification problem over the 4-dimensional real Lie algebra of the unitary group  $U_2$  will also be approached, and its connection with Minkowski spacetime will be discussed.