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Symplectic Geometry	Poisson Geometry
ω	Π
$\iota_{X_f}\omega = -df$	$X_f := \Pi(df, \cdot)$
one symplectic leaf	a symplectic foliation
Darboux theorem	Weinstein's splitting theorem
$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i \wedge dy_i$	$\Pi = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{kl} \phi_{kl}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z_l}$
$L_X\omega = 0$	$\Pi = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{rs} c_{rs}^k x_k \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z_l}$
$L_X\omega = 0$	$L_X\Pi = 0$
$H_{DR}^1(M) = \frac{\text{symplectic v.f.}}{\text{Hamiltonian v.f.}}$	$? = \frac{\text{Poisson v.f.}}{\text{Hamiltonian v.f.}}$
$H_{DR}^k(M)$ (cochains $\Omega^k(M)$)	$? := H_{\Pi}^k(M)$ (cochains $\mathfrak{X}^m(M)$)
Arnold-Liouville theorem	Action-angle coordinates

Plan for today

- Poisson cohomology computation kit.



- Integrable systems on Poisson manifolds (Topology).



- Integrable systems on Poisson manifolds (Geometry and normal forms). The case of b -Poisson manifolds.
- **Applications.**

Schouten Bracket of vector fields in local coordinates

- Case of vector fields,

$A = \sum_i a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ and $B = \sum_i b_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$. Then

$$[A, B] = \sum_i a_i \left(\sum_j \frac{\partial b_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right) - \sum_i b_i \left(\sum_j \frac{\partial a_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

- Re-denoting $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ as ζ_i (**“odd coordinates”**).

Then $A = \sum_i a_i \zeta_i$ and $B = \sum_i b_i \zeta_i$ and $\zeta_i \zeta_j = -\zeta_j \zeta_i$. Now we can reinterpret the bracket as,

$$[A, B] = \sum_i \frac{\partial A}{\partial \zeta_i} \frac{\partial B}{\partial x_i} - \sum_i \frac{\partial B}{\partial \zeta_i} \frac{\partial A}{\partial x_i}$$

Schouten Bracket of multivector fields in local coordinates

We reproduce the same scheme for the case of multivector fields.

$$[A, B] = \sum_i \frac{\partial A}{\partial \zeta_i} \frac{\partial B}{\partial x_i} - (-1)^{(a-1)(b-1)} \sum_i \frac{\partial B}{\partial \zeta_i} \frac{\partial A}{\partial x_i}$$

is a $(a + b - 1)$ -vector field.

where

$$A = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_a} A_{i_1, \dots, i_a} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \wedge \dots \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_a}} = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_a} A_{i_1, \dots, i_a} \zeta_{i_1} \dots \zeta_{i_a}$$

and

$$B = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_b} B_{i_1, \dots, i_b} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \wedge \dots \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_b}} = \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_b} B_{i_1, \dots, i_b} \zeta_{i_1} \dots \zeta_{i_b}$$

with $\frac{\partial(\zeta_{i_1} \dots \zeta_{i_p})}{\partial \zeta_{i_k}} := (-1)^{(p-k)} \eta_{i_1} \dots \widehat{\eta}_{i_k} \dots \eta_{i_{p-1}}$

Theorem (Schouten-Nijenhuis)

The bracket defined by this formula satisfies,

Graded anti-commutativity $[A, B] = -(-1)^{(a-1)(b-1)}[B, A]$.

Graded Leibniz rule

$$[A, B \wedge C] = [A, B] \wedge C + (-1)^{(a-1)b} B \wedge [A, C]$$

Graded Jacobi identity

$$(-1)^{(a-1)(c-1)}[A, [B, C]] + (-1)^{(b-1)(a-1)}[B, [C, A]] + (-1)^{(c-1)(b-1)}[C, [A, B]] = 0$$

If X is a vector field then, $[X, B] = L_X B$.

- Space of cochains $\mathfrak{X}^m(M)$.
- Differential $d_{\Pi}(A) := [\Pi, A]$.
- Poisson cohomology

$$H_{\Pi}^k(M) := \frac{\ker d_{\Pi} : \mathfrak{X}^k(M) \longrightarrow \mathfrak{X}^{k+1}(M)}{\operatorname{Im} d_{\Pi} : \mathfrak{X}^{k-1}(M) \longrightarrow \mathfrak{X}^k(M)}$$

- Computation is difficult. It can be infinite-dimensional. Tools: Mayer-Vietoris, spectral sequences.
- Particular cases: (M, Π) symplectic $H_{\Pi}^k(M) \cong H_{DR}^k(M)$.
- (M, Π) b -Poisson, $H_{\Pi}^k(M) \cong H_{DR}^k(M) \oplus H_{DR}^{k-1}(Z)$.

- Hamiltonian vector fields $X_f = -[\Pi, f]$ (1-coboundary).
- Poisson vector fields $[\Pi, X] = -L_X\Pi = 0$ (1-cocycle).
- Poisson structures $[\Pi, \Pi] = 0$ (2-cocycle).
- Compatible Poisson structures $[\Pi_1, \Pi_2] = 0$ (2-cocycle).
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$$H_{\Pi}^1 = \frac{\text{Poisson vector fields}}{\text{Hamiltonian vector fields}}.$$

Example 5: Cauchy-Riemann equations and Hamilton's equations

- Take a holomorphic function on $F : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ decompose it as $F = G + iH$ with $G, H : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Cauchy-Riemann equations for F in coordinates $z_j = x_j + iy_j$, $j = 1, 2$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y_i}, \quad \frac{\partial G}{\partial y_i} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_i}$$

- Reinterpret these equations as the equality

$$\{G, \cdot\}_0 = \{H, \cdot\}_1 \quad \{H, \cdot\}_0 = -\{G, \cdot\}_1$$

with $\{\cdot, \cdot\}_j$ the Poisson brackets associated to the real and imaginary part of the symplectic form $\omega = dz_1 \wedge dz_2$ ($\omega = \omega_0 + i\omega_1$).

- Check $\{G, H\}_0 = 0$ and $\{H, G\}_1 = 0$ (integrable system).

Example 2: Determinants in \mathbb{R}^3 (Exercise 12)

- **Dynamics:** Given two functions $H, K \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$. Consider the system of differential equations:

$$(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}) = dH \wedge dK \quad (1)$$

H and K are constants of motion (the flow lies on $H = cte.$ and $K = cte.$)

- **Geometry:** Consider the brackets,

$$\{f, g\}_H := \det(df, dg, dH) \quad \{f, g\}_K := \det(df, dg, dK)$$

They are antisymmetric and satisfy Jacobi,

$$\{f, \{g, h\}\} + \{g, \{h, f\}\} + \{h, \{f, g\}\} = 0.$$

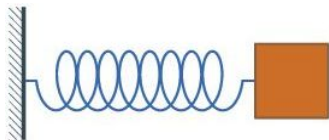
The flow of the vector field

$$\{K, \cdot\}_H := \det(dK, \cdot, dH)$$

and $\{-H, \cdot\}_K$ is given by the differential equation (1) and

$$\{H, K\}_H = 0, \quad \{H, K\}_K = 0$$

Example 4: Coupling two simple harmonic oscillators



The phase space is $(T^*(\mathbb{R}^2), \omega = dx_1 \wedge dy_1 + dx_2 \wedge dy_2)$. H is the sum of potential and kinetic energy,

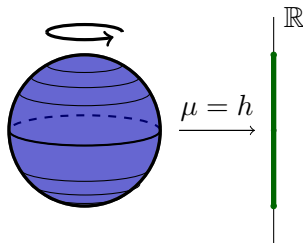
$$H = \frac{1}{2}(y_1^2 + y_2^2) + \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$$

$H = h$ is a sphere S^3 . We have rotational symmetry on this sphere \rightsquigarrow the angular momentum is a constant of motion, $L = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1$, $X_L = (-x_2, x_1, -y_2, y_1)$ and

$$X_L(H) = \{L, H\} = 0.$$

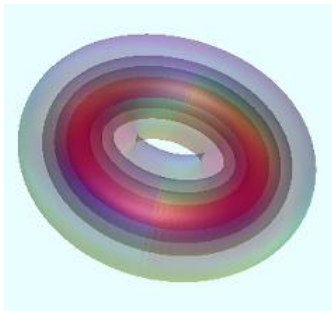
Topology of integrable systems (Symplectic case)

An integrable system on a surface.



The invariant submanifolds are tori (Liouville tori)

Liouville-Mineur-Arnold theorem (Symplectic manifolds)



The orbits of an integrable system in a neighbourhood of a compact orbit are tori. In **action-angle** coordinates (p_i, θ_i) the foliation is given by the fibration $\{p_i = c_i\}$ and the symplectic structure is Darboux

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n dp_i \wedge d\theta_i.$$

The characters of the day

Joseph Liouville proved the existence of invariant manifolds.



Figure: Joseph Liouville, Henri Mineur, Duistermaat and Arnold

Henri Mineur gave an explicit formula for action coordinates: $p_i = \int_{\gamma_i} \alpha$ where γ_i is one of the cycles of the Liouville torus and α is a Liouville 1-form for the symplectic structure ($\omega = d\alpha$).

We will follow the proof by Duistermaat and apply it to Poisson manifolds.

What is an integrable system on a Poisson manifold?

Let (M, Π) be a Poisson manifold of (maximal) rank $2r$ and of dimension n . An s -tuple of functions $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ on M is said to define a **Liouville integrable system** on (M, Π) if

- 1 f_1, \dots, f_s are independent ($df_1 \wedge \dots \wedge df_s \neq 0$).
- 2 f_1, \dots, f_s are pairwise in involution
- 3 $r + s = n$

Viewed as a map, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{M} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^s$ is called the **moment map** of (M, Π) .

Theorem (Laurent, M., Vanhaecke)

Let p_1, \dots, p_r be r functions in involution and whose Hamiltonian vector fields are linearly independent at a point $m \in (M, \Pi)$. There exist locally functions $q_1, \dots, q_r, z_1, \dots, z_{n-2r}$, such that

- 1 The n functions $(p_1, q_1, \dots, p_r, q_r, z_1, \dots, z_{n-2r})$ form a system of coordinates on U , centered at m ;
- 2 The Poisson structure Π is given on U by

$$\Pi = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{n-2r} g_{ij}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j}, \quad (1)$$



An action-angle theorem for Poisson manifolds

Case of regular orbits

We assume that:

- 1 The mapping $\mathcal{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ defines an integrable system on the Poisson manifold (M, Π) of dimension n and (maximal) rank $2r$.
- 2 Suppose that $m \in M$ is a point such that it is regular for the integrable system and the Poisson structure.
- 3 Assume further than the integral manifold \mathcal{F}_m of the foliation X_{f_1}, \dots, X_{f_s} through m is compact (**Liouville torus**).

An action-angle theorem for Poisson manifolds

Theorem (Laurent, M., Vanhaecke)

There exist \mathbf{R} -valued smooth functions (p_1, \dots, p_s) and \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{Z} -valued smooth functions $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_r)$, defined in a neighborhood of \mathcal{F}_m such that

- 1 The functions $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_r, p_1, \dots, p_s)$ define a diffeomorphism $U \simeq \mathbf{T}^r \times B^s$;
- 2 The Poisson structure can be written in terms of these coordinates as

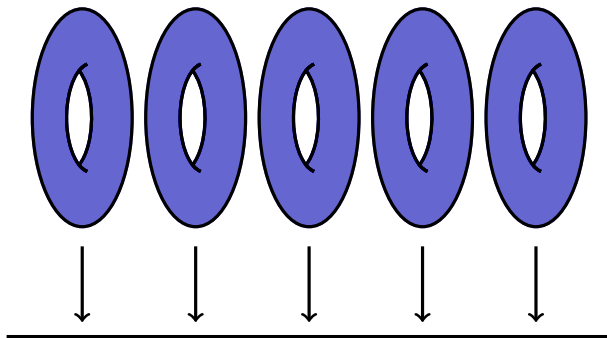
$$\Pi = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i},$$

in particular the functions p_{r+1}, \dots, p_s are locally Casimirs of Π ;

- 3 The leaves of the surjective submersion $\mathcal{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ are given by the projection onto the second component $\mathbf{T}^r \times B^s$, in particular, the functions p_1, \dots, p_s depend only on the functions f_1, \dots, f_s .

The Poisson proof

- **Step 1: Topology of the foliation.** The fibration in a neighbourhood of a compact connected fiber is a trivial fibration by compact fibers. The fibers are tori.



The Poisson proof

- **Step 2: Hamiltonian action:** We recover a \mathbb{T}^r -action tangent to the leaves of the foliation. This implies a process of **uniformization of periods**.

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &: \mathbf{R}^r \times (\mathbf{T}^r \times B^s) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}^r \times B^s \\ ((t_1, \dots, t_r), m) &\mapsto \Phi_{t_1}^{(1)} \circ \dots \circ \Phi_{t_r}^{(r)}(m).\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

- **Step 3:** We prove that **this action is Poisson** (if Y is a complete vector field of period 1 and P is a bivector field for which $\mathcal{L}_Y^2 P = 0$, then $\mathcal{L}_Y P = 0$).
- **Step 4:** Finally we use the Poisson Cohomology of the manifold and to check that **the action is Hamiltonian**.
- **Step 5:** To construct action-angle coordinates we use Darboux-Carathéodory and the constructed Hamiltonian action of \mathbb{T}^n to **drag normal forms from a neighbourhood of a point to a neighbourhood of a fiber**.

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What is a non-commutative integrable system on a Poisson manifold?

Definition

Let (M, Π) be a Poisson manifold of dimension n . An s -uplet of functions $\mathcal{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ is said to be a *non-commutative integrable system of rank r* on (M, Π) if

- (1) f_1, \dots, f_s are independent;
- (2) The functions f_1, \dots, f_r are in involution with the functions f_1, \dots, f_s ;
- (3) $r + s = n$;
- (4) The Hamiltonian vector fields of the functions f_1, \dots, f_r are linearly independent at some point of M .

Notice that $2r \leq \text{Rk } \Pi$, as a consequence of (4).

Remark: The mapping $\mathcal{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ is a Poisson map on \mathbb{R}^s with \mathbb{R}^s endowed with a non-vanishing Poisson structure.

An action-angle theorem for non-commutative systems

Theorem (Laurent, M., Vanhaecke)

Suppose that \mathcal{F}_m is a regular Liouville torus. Then there exist semilocally \mathbf{R} -valued smooth functions $(p_1, \dots, p_r, z_1, \dots, z_{s-r})$ and \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{Z} -valued smooth functions $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_r)$ such that,

- 1 The functions $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_r, p_1, \dots, p_r, z_1, \dots, z_{s-r})$ define a diffeomorphism $U \simeq \mathbf{T}^r \times B^s$;
- 2 The Poisson structure can be written in terms of these coordinates as

$$\Pi = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} + \sum_{k,l=1}^{s-r} \phi_{k,l}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z_l};$$

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The restricted 3-body problem

- Simplified version of the general 3-body problem. One of the bodies has **negligible mass**.
- The other two bodies move independently of it following **Kepler's laws** for the 2-body problem.

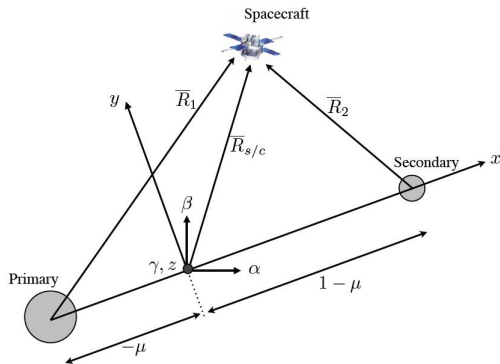


Figure: Circular 3-body problem

Planar restricted 3-body problem¹

- The time-dependent self-potential of the small body is $U(q, t) = \frac{1-\mu}{|q-q_1|} + \frac{\mu}{|q-q_2|}$, with $q_1 = q_1(t)$ the position of the planet with mass $1 - \mu$ at time t and $q_2 = q_2(t)$ the position of the one with mass μ .
- The Hamiltonian of the system is $H(q, p, t) = p^2/2 - U(q, t)$, $(q, p) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^2$, where $p = \dot{q}$ is the momentum of the planet.
- Consider the canonical change $(X, Y, P_X, P_Y) \mapsto (r, \alpha, P_r =: y, P_\alpha =: G)$.
- Introduce **McGehee coordinates** (x, α, y, G) , where $r = \frac{2}{x^2}$, $x \in \mathbf{R}^+$, can be then extended to infinity ($x = 0$).
- The symplectic structure becomes a singular object $\omega = -\frac{4}{x^3} dx \wedge dy + d\alpha \wedge dG$. for $x > 0$
- The integrable 2-body problem for $\mu = 0$ is integrable with respect **to the singular ω** .

¹Thanks to Amadeu Delshams for this example.

Definition (b -integrable system)

A set of b -functions f_1, \dots, f_n on (M^{2n}, ω) such that

- f_1, \dots, f_n Poisson commute
- $df_1 \wedge \dots \wedge df_n \neq 0$ as a section of $\Lambda^n({}^bT^*(M))$ on a dense subset of M and on a dense subset of Z

An action-angle theorem for b -Poisson manifolds

Theorem (Kiesenhofer, M., Scott)

Let (M, Π) be a b -Poisson manifold with critical hypersurface Z defined by $t = 0$. Let $f_1, \dots, f_{n-1}, f_n = \log |t|$ be a b -integrable system on it. Then in a neighbourhood of a Liouville torus m there exist coordinates $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, a_1, \dots, a_n) : U \rightarrow \mathbf{T}^n \times B^n$ such that

$$\Pi|_U = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial a_i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} + ct \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_n}, \quad (3)$$

where the coordinates a_1, \dots, a_{n-1} depend only on f_1, \dots, f_{n-1} and c is the modular period of the component of Z containing m .

Perturbation theory KAM on manifolds with boundary and b -manifolds.
(see Anna's poster).

