

Symplectic Diffeology

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Why Symplectic “Diffeology” ?

- “Symplectic Geometry” deals with symplectic manifolds and Lie groups actions, only.
- Last decades a lot of examples of “symplectic” structures has been built on spaces which are not manifolds.
- We may want to consider actions of groups that are not Lie groups, even acting on manifolds.
- Symplectic reduction introduces quotient spaces that are not manifolds but carry “parasymplectic” structures.

Example 1 The Moment of Imprimitivity

Action of $C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$ on T^*M

- M is a manifold, $q \in M$.
- T^*M is the cotangent space, $(q, p) \in T^*M$.
- $f \in C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$.

$$\underline{f}(q, p) = (q, p + df(q)).$$

Question : Moment Map ?

Example 2 Intersection Form on a Surface I

Action of $C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R})$ on $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$

- Σ is a oriented surface.
- $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ is the space of 1-forms on Σ , $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega^1(\Sigma)$.

$$\omega(\alpha, \beta) = \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge \beta.$$

- Group $C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R})$, action:

$$f \in C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R}), \alpha \in \Omega^1(\Sigma), \quad \underline{f}(\alpha) = \alpha + df.$$

Question : Is that a symplectic space ? In what sense ?

Question : Moment Map ?

Example 3 Intersection Form on a Surface II

Action of $\text{Diff}(\Sigma)$ on $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$

- Σ is a oriented surface.
- $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ is the space of 1-forms on Σ , $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega^1(\Sigma)$.

$$\omega(\alpha, \beta) = \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge \beta.$$

- Group $\text{Diff}^+(\Sigma)$, action:

$$\phi \in \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma), \alpha \in \Omega^1(\Sigma), \quad \underline{\phi}(\alpha) = \phi_*(\alpha).$$

Question : Moment Map ?

Example 4 Intersection Form on a Surface III

Action of $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ on itself

- Σ is a oriented surface.
- $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ is the space of 1-forms on Σ , $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega^1(\Sigma)$.

$$\omega(\alpha, \beta) = \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge \beta.$$

- Group $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$, action:

$$\beta \in \Omega^1(\Sigma), \alpha \in \Omega^1(\Sigma), \quad \underline{\beta}(\alpha) = \alpha + \beta.$$

Question : Moment Map ?

Example 5 Symplectic Torus

Moment Map for the Torus

- T^2 is the 2-torus $\mathbf{R}^2/\mathbf{Z}^2$.
- $\omega \in \Omega^2(T^2)$ is the pushforward of $dx \wedge dy$.
- T^2 is a group and act on itself preserving ω , action:

$$\tau, z \in T^2 \quad \underline{\tau}(z) = z + \tau.$$

Question : Moment Map for non-Hamiltonian action ?

Question : Generalization to \mathbf{R}^n/K , K subgroup ?

Example 6 Orbifolds

2-Forms on Orbifolds

- An orbifold is locally a quotient \mathbf{R}^n/Γ , $\Gamma \leq \text{GL}(n)$ finite.
- The *Cone Orbifold* $\mathcal{Q}_m = \mathbf{C}/U_m$, U_m m -roots of unity.
- The *Corner Orbifold* $\mathcal{Q} = [\mathbf{R}/\pm 1]^2$.

Question : $\Omega^2(\mathcal{Q}_m)$? $\Omega^2(\mathcal{Q})$?

Question : Group actions, Moment maps ?

Example 7 Infinite Projective Space

The infinite Sphere and its Quotient

- $\mathcal{H} = \{Z = (Z_i)_{i=1}^{\infty} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} Z_i \cdot Z_i < \infty\}$, Hermitian product.
- $S^{\infty} = \{Z \in \mathcal{H} \mid Z \cdot Z = 1\}$.
- $\alpha = \frac{1}{2i}[Z \cdot dZ - dZ \cdot Z]$
- $\mathbf{CP}^{\infty} = S^{\infty}/S^1$

Question : Reduction of $d\alpha \upharpoonright S^{\infty}$ on \mathbf{CP}^{∞} ?

Question : Moment map of $U(\mathcal{H})$? And of S^1 ?

Question : Is \mathbf{CP}^{∞} symplectic ?

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Immersing S^1 in \mathbf{R}^2

- $\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2) = \{x \in C^\infty(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2) \mid \dot{x}(t) \neq 0\}$.
- $\alpha \in \Omega^1(\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2))$

$$\alpha(\delta x) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\|\dot{x}(t)\|^2} \langle \ddot{x}(t) | \delta \dot{x}(t) \rangle dt.$$

- Group $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ acts on $\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$: $\varphi \in \text{Diff}(S^1)$, $x \in \text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$, $\varphi(x) = x \circ \varphi^{-1}$.
- α not invariant but $d\alpha$ is: $\varphi^*(d\alpha) = d\alpha$.

Question : Moment map of $\text{Diff}(S^1)$? Equivariance ?

Question : Souriau's cocycle θ ?

Question : "Symplectic" reduction ?

Example 9 Reducing $C^\infty(S^1, \mathbf{C})$.

Reducing Complex Periodic Functions by a Real flow

- $C^\infty(S^1, \mathbf{C}) \simeq \{f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{C}) \mid f(x+1) = f(x)\}$
- Equivalent to $\mathcal{E} = \{(f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} \mid f_n \downarrow 0\}$, rapidly decreasing.
- $\epsilon \in \Omega^1(C^\infty(S^1, \mathbf{C}))$

$$\epsilon(\delta f) = \int_0^1 \bar{f}(x) \delta f(x) dx, \quad d\epsilon = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \hat{x}^*(\text{surf}) dx$$

- Group \mathbf{R} acts on \mathcal{E} : $\underline{t}((f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}) = (e^{2i\pi\alpha_n t} f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$, with α_n independant on \mathbf{Q} .

Question : Orbits of \mathbf{R} ?

Question : Moment map h of \mathbf{R} ?

Question : Reduction of $S_\alpha^\infty = h^{-1}(1)$?

Category Diffeology I

A *diffeology* on a set X is given by a choice \mathcal{D} of *Euclidean Parametrizations* called *Plots*, satisfying 3 axioms.

- The plots cover X .
- To be a plot is local.
- The composite of a plot by a smooth parametrization of its domain is a plot.

A set X equipped with a diffeology \mathcal{D} is called a *diffeological space*.

- A map $f: X \rightarrow X'$, where X and X' are two diffeological spaces, is said to be *smooth* if the composite of f with a plot of X is a plot of X' .

Category Diffeology II

Diffeological spaces together with smooth maps define the category $\{\text{Diffeology}\}$. Isomorphisms are called *diffeomorphisms*. This category is stable for the set theoretic operations.

- Sums: $\coprod_i X_i$.
- Products: $\prod_i X_i$.
- Quotients: $Q = X/\sim$.
- Subsets: $A \subset X$.

It is a complete and co-complete category.

The set $C^\infty(X, X')$ has a natural *Functional Diffeology* which makes $\{\text{Diffeology}\}$ Cartesian closed.

Differential Forms on Diffeological Spaces

- A *differential k -form* α on a diffeological space X is a mapping that associates with each plot P in X , a smooth form

$$\alpha(P) \in \Omega^k(\text{dom}(P)),$$

such that, for all smooth parametrization F in $\text{dom}(P)$

$$\alpha(P \circ F) = F^*(\alpha(P)).$$

- Let $f: X \rightarrow X'$ be a smooth map, and $\alpha' \in \Omega^k(X')$. Then,

$$\Omega^k(X) \ni f^*(\alpha'): P \mapsto f^*(\alpha')(P) = \alpha'(f \circ P).$$

Diffeological Groups And Momenta

- A *Diffeological Group* is a diffeological space together with a group law such that the product and the inverse are smooth.
- Every group of diffeomorphisms $\text{Diff}(X)$ is a diffeological group, equipped with the functional diffeology.
- A *momentum* of a diffeological group G is a left-invariant 1-form. We introduce the vector *Space of Momenta*:

$$\mathcal{G}^* = \{\alpha \in \Omega^1(G) \mid \forall g \in G, L(g)^*(\alpha) = \alpha\}.$$

With $L(g): g' \mapsto gg'$.

⇒ Note that the space of momenta \mathcal{G}^* is not defined by duality with a presumed Lie algebra.

Parasymplectic Forms and Moment Map, the **Simplest Case**

- Let us call *parasymplectic form* on a diffeological space X , any closed 2-form: $\omega \in \Omega^2(X)$ and $d\omega = 0$.
- Let G be a diffeological group acting smoothly on X and preserving ω : $\underline{g}^*(\omega) = \omega$, for all $g \in G$.
- ⇒ Now assume that $\omega = d\alpha$ and $\underline{g}^*\alpha = \alpha$. Let $\hat{x}: g \mapsto \underline{g}(x)$ be the *orbit map*.
 - The map $\mu: x \mapsto \hat{x}^*(\alpha)$, defined on X is smooth and takes its values in \mathcal{G}^* . It is the Moment Map of ω .
- ⇒ Actually it is a moment map. The moment map associated with the primitive α .

Parasymplectic Forms and Moment Map, the **General Case**

- There exists a *Chain-Homotopy Operator*

$$\mathcal{K}: \Omega^k(\mathbf{X}) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(\text{Paths}(\mathbf{X}))$$

such that

$$d \circ \mathcal{K} + \mathcal{K} \circ d = \hat{1}^* - \hat{0}^*,$$

where $\text{Paths}(\mathbf{X}) = C^\infty(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{X})$, $\hat{t}(\gamma) = \gamma(t)$, for $t \in \mathbf{R}$.

- Then,

$$\bar{\omega} = d\lambda, \text{ with } \lambda = \mathcal{K}\omega \text{ and } \bar{\omega} = \hat{1}^*(\omega) - \hat{0}^*(\omega).$$

- If G preserves ω , then G preserve $\lambda = \mathcal{K}\omega$.
- Hence, we are brought back to the simplest case $\underline{g}^*(\lambda) = \lambda$.



The Paths-Moment Map

- The *Paths-Moment Map* is defined by:

$$\Psi: \text{Paths}(X) \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^* \quad \text{with} \quad \Psi(\gamma) = \hat{\gamma}^*(\mathcal{K}\omega).$$

- It is G -equivariant for the coadjoint action. Let $g, k \in G$ and $\alpha \in \mathfrak{g}^*$.

$$\text{ad}(g)(k) = gkg^{-1}, \quad \text{Ad}_*(g)(\alpha) = \text{ad}(g)_*(\alpha).$$

- It is additive:

$$\Psi(\gamma \vee \gamma') = \Psi(\gamma) + \Psi(\gamma'),$$

for all γ and γ' juxtaposable.

The Two-Points-Moment Map

- The *Two-Points-Moment Map* is defined²: by:

$$\psi: X \times X \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*/\Gamma, \quad \text{with} \quad \psi(x, x') = \Psi(\gamma),$$

with $x = \gamma(0)$ and $x' = \gamma(1)$.

- $\Gamma \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$ is made of Ad_* -invariant momenta. It is the *Holonomy* of the action of G on (X, ω) , the obstruction of the action of G for being *Hamiltonian*.

$$\Gamma = \{\Psi(\ell) \mid \ell \in \text{Loops}(X)\}.$$

- ψ is still G -equivariant and a cocycle:

$$\psi(x, x') + \psi(x', x'') = \psi(x, x'').$$

² X is assumed connected.



The One-Point-Moment Map

- A *One-Point-Moment Map* is a solution μ of

$$\psi(x, x') = \mu(x') - \mu(x) \quad \text{with} \quad \mu: X \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^*/\Gamma.$$

That is:

$$\mu(x) = \psi(x_0, x) + c, \quad \text{where } x_0 \in X \text{ and } c \in \mathcal{G}^*/\Gamma.$$

- The moment map μ is θ -affine Ad_* -equivariant:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\underline{g}(x)) &= \text{Ad}_*(\mu(x)) + \theta(g), \quad \text{with} \\ \theta(g) &= \psi(x_0, \underline{g}(x_0)) - \Delta(c)(g), \end{aligned}$$

$\theta \in H^1(G, \mathcal{G}^*/\Gamma)$, and $\Delta(c)(g)$ is the coboundary $\text{Ad}_*(g)(c) - c$.

From Parasymplectic to Presymplectic – I

- A presymplectic manifold (M, ω) satisfies the *passive* version of the Darboux theorem : the existence of Darboux charts where ω takes the form

$$[\omega] = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_k & \mathbf{1}_k & \mathbf{0}_{k,r} \\ -\mathbf{1}_k & \mathbf{0}_k & \mathbf{0}_{k,r} \\ \mathbf{0}_{r,k} & \mathbf{0}_{r,k} & \mathbf{0}_r \end{pmatrix} .$$

- Equivalently, we have the *active* version of the Darboux theorem :

$\text{Diff}_{\text{loc}}(M, \omega)$ is transitive on M .



From Parasymplectic to Presymplectic – II

In diffeology we do not like very much contravariant objects, and the kernel of a form is contravariant. That's why we define:

Definition

A parasymplectic diffeological space (X, ω) will be said *presymplectic* if its pseudo-group of local automorphisms $\text{Diff}_{\text{loc}}(X, \omega)$ is transitive. We shall call that condition the *Darboux property*.

More precisely, we ask that X is locally homogeneous under $\text{Diff}_{\text{loc}}(M, \omega)$.

From Presymplectic to Symplectic

Consider a presymplectic manifold (M, ω) .

Theorem

The presymplectic form ω is symplectic if and only if the universal moment map μ_ω of the group $\text{Diff}(M, \omega)$ is injective.

The two conditions are necessary as show the example on \mathbf{R}^2 ,

$$\omega = (x^2 + y^2)dx \wedge dy$$

The universal moment is injective but $\text{Diff}_{\text{loc}}(M, \omega)$ is not transitive, $(0, 0)$ is fixed.

Symplectic Diffeological Spaces

Consider a parasymplectic diffeological space (X, ω) .

Definition

We shall say that the form ω is symplectic if and only if the two conditions are satisfied:

- The pseudo-group $\text{Diff}_{\text{loc}}(X, \omega)$ is transitive.
- The universal moment map μ_ω of the group $\text{Diff}(X, \omega)$ is injective or at most with diffeologically discrete preimages.

Note that according to this definition, because its origin is fixed, the cone orbifold \mathcal{Q}_m is not symplectic, contrary to what is admitted usually.

The Moment of Imprimitivity

Action of $C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$ on T^*M

- The group $C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$ acts on T^*M by $\underline{f}(q, p) = (q, p + df(q))$, $f \in C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$. It preserves the 2-form $\omega = dp \wedge dq$.
- The moment map is

$$\mu: (q, p) \mapsto d[f \mapsto f(q)].$$

Note: $[f \mapsto f(q)] \in C^\infty(C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R}), \mathbf{R})$ is not invariant, but its differential is an invariant 1-form on $C^\infty(M, \mathbf{R})$.

- Also $\mu(q, p) = d\delta_q$, where δ_q is the Dirac function. The moment map is the differential of a distribution.

Intersection Form on a Surface I

Action of $C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R})$ on $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$

- The group $C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R})$ acts on $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$, preserving the 2-form $\omega(\alpha, \beta) = \int_\Sigma \alpha \wedge \beta$.
- For all $f \in C^\infty(\Sigma, \mathbf{R})$, $\alpha \in \Omega^1(\Sigma)$, $\underline{f}(\alpha) = \alpha + df$.
- The moment map is:

$$\mu: \alpha \mapsto d \left[f \mapsto \int_\Sigma f d\alpha \right].$$

- Again, the moment map is the differential of a distribution:
 $f \mapsto \int_\Sigma f d\alpha$.

Intersection Form on a Surface III

Action of $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ on itself

- The group $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ acts additively on itself, preserving the 2-form $\omega(\alpha, \beta) = \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge \beta$.
- The moment map is:

$$\mu: \alpha \mapsto d \left[\beta \mapsto \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge \beta \right].$$

- Here again, the moment map is the differential of a distribution.
- The space $\Omega^1(\Sigma)$ is symplectic in the sense above.
 - 1 The group of automorphisms is transitive.
 - 2 The moment map μ is injective.

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Immersing S^1 in \mathbf{R}^2

- We deal with $\omega = d\alpha$, with

$$\alpha(\delta x) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\|\dot{x}(t)\|^2} \langle \ddot{x}(t) | \delta \dot{x}(t) \rangle dt, \quad x \in \text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2).$$

The group $\text{Diff}^+(S^1)$ acts on $\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$ by $\varphi(x) = x \circ \varphi^{-1}$.

- On the connected component of the standard immersion $t \mapsto (\cos(t), \sin(t))$, the moment map is, up to a constant:

$$\mu(x)(P)_r(\delta r) = \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{\|x''(u)\|^2}{\|x'(u)\|^2} - \frac{d^2}{du^2} \log \|x'(u)\|^2 \right\} \delta u \, du.$$

$P: r \mapsto \varphi$ is a n -plot of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$, $r \in \text{dom}(P)$, $\delta r \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $u = \varphi^{-1}(t)$, where t is the parameter of $x \in \text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$, and $\delta u = D(r \mapsto u)(r)(\delta r)$.

Immersing S^1 in \mathbf{R}^2





- The affine cocycle of the $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ action on $\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$ are cohomologous to θ defined by,

$$\theta(g)(P)_r(\delta r) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{3\gamma''(u)^2 - 2\gamma'''(u)\gamma'(u)}{\gamma'(u)^2} \delta u \, du,$$

where $g \in \text{Diff}^+(S^1)$ and $\gamma = g^{-1}$. We recognize the Schwarzian derivative in the integrand of the right hand side.

- The cocycle θ of this integral construction of the moment map in diffeology, extends Souriau's cocycles of manifold cases.

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