

Ch8 Symplectic Manifolds

3.7 Symplectic structure on manifolds

M^{2n} : manifold. A closed and non-degenerate 2-form ω on M^{2n} :

$$d\omega = 0, \forall \xi \neq 0, \exists \eta : \omega(\xi, \eta) \neq 0$$

is a symplectic structure. (M^{2n}, ω) : symplectic manifold

V : n-dim manifold. T^*V : cotangent bundle. $2n$ -dim manifold.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f: (p, q) & \rightarrow & q \text{ projection} \\ T_q^*V & & V \end{array}$$

$$(T^*V, \omega) \quad \omega = dp \wedge dq = dp_1 \wedge dq_1 + \dots + dp_n \wedge dq_n = d(p dq).$$

$q \in T_q V, p = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \in T_q^* V$. Phase space (p, q) is in cotangent bundle.

Symplectic structure ω^s introduce an isomorphism: $T_x M \rightarrow T_x^* M$

$$\xi \rightarrow \omega_\xi \quad \text{s.t. } (\omega_\xi, \eta) := \omega^s(\eta, \xi). \quad \text{In matrix form, } \omega_\xi = -J\xi$$

The inverse map is denoted by $I: T_x^* M \rightarrow T_x M$

$H: M^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $dH \in \Lambda^1(M^{2n})$, $IDH \in \mathcal{V}$: vector field on M .

IDH is called a hamiltonian vector field.

Example. $M^{2n} = \mathbb{R}^{2n} = \{(p, q)\}$. (M^{2n}, J) . $IDH = \left(-\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}, \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}\right) = -J \nabla H$

38 Hamiltonian phase flows

(M^{2n}, ω^s) : symplectic manifold, $H: M^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$g^t: M^{2n} \rightarrow M^{2n}$, $\frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} g^t(x) = I dH(x)$

Example. $\frac{dx}{dt} = -J \nabla H(x)$ $x(t)$ is the solution of Hamiltonian system.

Theorem. A hamiltonian phase flow preserves the symplectic structure

Pf. See my lecture notes.

Integral invariants of the map $g: M \rightarrow M$ is a k-form ω s.t.

$\int_{g(C)} \omega = \int_C \omega$. In view of pull back, it is $g^* \omega = \omega$.

g : hamiltonian phase flow. Then $g^* \omega^s = \omega^s$

$(\omega^s)^k$ is also integral invariant for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$.

$g: \mathbb{R}^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ is canonical if ω^s is an integral invariant w.r.t g .
or called symplectic mapping.

$\omega \in \Lambda^k$ is called a relative integral invariant of map g if

$\int_{g(C)} \omega = \int_C \omega$ for every closed k-chain C . By Stokes' theorem, $d\omega$ is integral invariant. **Example.** $\omega = p \, dg$, $d\omega = dp \wedge dg$.

39 The Lie algebra of vector fields

Vector space V . A product $[\cdot, \cdot] : V \times V \rightarrow V$.

Lie algebra. The product is skew-symmetric and satisfies the Jacobi identity: $[[A, B], C] + [[B, C], A] + [[C, A], B] = 0$.

Example. \mathbb{R}^3 . $[u, v] = u \times v$.

Use $(A \times B) \times C = B(A \cdot C) - A(B \cdot C)$ to verify Jacobi identity.

Example. $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$: squared matrix. $[A, B] = AB - BA$.

Vector fields $A : M \rightarrow TM$, $A(x) \in TM_x$



Lie derivative. In \mathbb{R}^n case, $L_A \varphi = A \cdot \nabla \varphi$

For manifolds, $x + \Delta t A$ may not still on M . So we first

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x + \Delta t A) - \varphi(x)}{(\Delta t A)}$$

solve ODE to define a flow $\frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} A^t(x) = A(x)$.

Then $(L_A \varphi)(x) = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} \varphi(A^t(x))$

Poisson bracket. $C = [A, B]$ s.t. $L_C = L_B L_A - L_A L_B$

Although $L_A L_B$, $L_B L_A$ are second order diff operators, their difference is a first order diff operator.

$$L_A \varphi = A \cdot \nabla \varphi, \quad L_B(L_A \varphi) = (B, \nabla(A \cdot \nabla \varphi)) = (B^T \nabla A) \nabla \varphi + (B, A) \nabla^2 \varphi$$

$$L_A(L_B \varphi) = A \cdot \nabla (B \cdot \nabla \varphi) = (A^T \nabla B) \nabla \varphi + (A, B) \nabla^2 \varphi$$

The second order part: $(B, A) \nabla^2 \varphi = (A, B) \nabla^2 \varphi$

As a first order diff operator, $\exists C$, s.t. $L_C \varphi = L_B L_A \varphi - L_A L_B \varphi$

$$C = B^T \nabla A - A^T \nabla B$$

Jacobi identity $L_{[[A, B], C]} = L_C L_{[A, B]} - [[A, B] L_C]$
 $= L_C L_B L_A - L_C L_A L_B - L_B L_A L_C + L_A L_B L_C$

Commutativity of flows.

A, B : two vector fields.

$$[A, B] = 0$$

A^t, B^s : corresponding flows.

$$A^t B^s = B^s A^t$$

Relation $L_{[A, B]} \varphi = \frac{d^2}{ds dt} \Big|_{(0,0)} (\varphi(A^t B^s x) - \varphi(B^s A^t x)) \quad \forall \varphi$

$A^t B^s = B^s A^t \Rightarrow [A, B] = 0$ is based on the above identity.

If $[A, B] = 0$, then $\varphi(A^t B^s x) - \varphi(B^s A^t x) = O(s^2 + t^2)$.

Show $\varphi(A^t B^s x) = \varphi(B^s A^t x)$ for sufficiently small s and t .

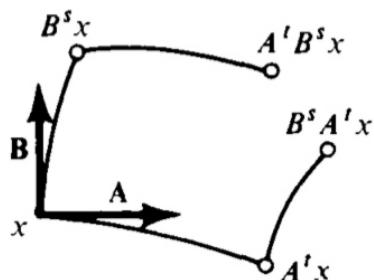


Figure 169 Non-commutative flows

40 The Lie algebra of hamiltonian functions

(M^{2n}, ω^S) : symplectic manifold.

$H: M^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $dH \in \Lambda^1(M^{2n})$ Through ω^S , IdH is a vector field so that $\langle IdH, \xi \rangle = \omega^S(IdH, \xi)$.

$\frac{dx}{dt} = IdH(x)$ defines a symplectic mapping: $x_0 \xrightarrow{g_H^t} x(t)$

Example. (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, J) . $(IdH, \eta) = (\eta, IdH)_J = (\eta, JIdH)$

On the other hand, $\langle dH, \eta \rangle = (\nabla H, \eta)$. So $JIdH = \nabla H$. $IdH = -J\nabla H$.

Poisson bracket $[F, H](x) = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} F(g_H^t(x))$

Example (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, J) $[F, H] = (\nabla F, \nabla H)_J$

Corollary. F is a first integral of the phase flow g_H^t if and only if $[F, H] = 0$, i.e. $(\nabla F, \nabla H)_J = 0$.

Theorem. (M^{2n}, ω^S) : a symplectic manifold

If H is a first integral (invariant) of the flow g_F^t , then F is a first integral of the flow g_H^t .

Proof. Equivalent to $[F, H] = 0$.

Jacobi identity $[[A, B], C] + [[B, C], A] + [[C, A], B] = 0$.

A : function, dA : 1-form, IdA : vector field, denoted by \vec{A}

Then $\overrightarrow{[A, B]} = [\vec{A}, \vec{B}]$

Pf. $[\vec{A}, \vec{B}] = \vec{B}^T \nabla \vec{A} - \vec{A}^T \nabla \vec{B}$, $\vec{A} = J \nabla A$, $\vec{B} = J \nabla B$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (J \nabla B)^T \nabla (J \nabla A) - (J \nabla A)^T \nabla (J \nabla B) \quad J^T J = I \\ &= (\nabla B)^T \nabla^2 A - (\nabla A)^T \nabla^2 B. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [A, B] &= (\nabla A, J \nabla B), \quad \overrightarrow{[A, B]} = J \nabla (\nabla A, \nabla B)_J \\ &= J(\nabla^2 A, \nabla B)_J + J(\nabla A, \nabla^2 B)_J \\ &= (J \nabla B)^T J \nabla^2 A - J(\nabla^2 B, \nabla A)_J \\ &= (\nabla B)^T \nabla^2 A - (\nabla A)^T \nabla^2 B. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Poisson's) If F_1, F_2 are two invariant (the first integrals) of a Hamiltonian system, so is $[F_1, F_2]$.

Proof. Use Jacobi identity $[[F_1, F_2], H] = [F_1, [F_2, H]] + [F_2, [H, F_1]] = 0$.

- * Hamiltonian vector fields ($J \nabla A$) on a symplectic manifold form a sub-algebra of the Lie algebra of all vector fields.
closed to $[\cdot, \cdot]$ product
- * The first integrals of a hamiltonian flow form a sub-algebra.

Jacobi identity $[[A, B], C] + [[B, C], A] + [[C, A], B] = 0$.

Proof. $[A, B] = (\nabla A, \nabla B)_J$,

$$\begin{aligned} [[A, B], C] &= (\nabla(\nabla A, \nabla B)_J, \nabla C)_J = ((\nabla^2 A, J\nabla B), J\nabla C) + ((\nabla A, J\nabla^2 B), J\nabla C) \\ &= (J\nabla B, J\nabla C)\nabla^2 A - (J\nabla A, J\nabla C)\nabla^2 B. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly $[[B, C], A] = (J\nabla C, J\nabla A)\nabla^2 B - (J\nabla B, J\nabla A)\nabla^2 C$

and $[[C, A], B] = (J\nabla A, J\nabla B)\nabla^2 C - (J\nabla C, J\nabla B)\nabla^2 A$

As Hessian is symmetric, sum to get 0.