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practical: for now, lecture times stay the same.

Last week: symplectic forms, Darboux theorem.
↑ will revisit

This week: Lie group actions

Smooth group actions

A Lie group G is a set equipped with a group structure and a mfd str s.t. the maps $(a, b) \mapsto a \cdot b$ and $a \mapsto a^{-1}$
 $G \times G \rightarrow G$ $G \rightarrow G$
are smooth.

Example $(\mathbb{R}, +)$. $(S^1)^k$

a torus is a lie group T s.t. $T \cong (S^1)^k$
↑
diffeomorphism & group isomorphism

$GL(n)$. Note: $A \mapsto A^{-1}$ is smooth
by Cramer's rule.

Unitary group: $U(n) := \{A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \mid \underbrace{AA^* = I}_{\text{Hermitian form}}\}$

$$\Leftrightarrow H(Au, Av) = H(u, v) \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

where $H(u, v) = \sum \bar{u}_j v_j$

special unitary group: $SU(n) := \{A \in U(n) \mid \det A = 1\}$

(They are submfd's of $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ as a consequence of the implicit function theorem)

their centres:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{su}(n) & \subset & \text{u}(n) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z}_n & \subset & \mathbb{S}^1 \end{array} \quad \ni \lambda \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \lambda I \end{array} \quad \text{s.t. } |\lambda|=1, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\text{PU}(n) := \text{U}(n)/\mathbb{S}^1 \cong \text{SU}(n)/\mathbb{Z}_n$$

(orientation preserving)

Rotations: $\text{SO}(3) := \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \mid AA^T = I\}$

= special orthogonal group.

Euclidean transformations:

$$\text{SE}(3) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{orientation preserving} \\ \text{isometries } \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ x \mapsto Ax + b \mid A \in \text{SO}(3), b \in \mathbb{R}^3 \right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{R}^3 \rtimes \text{SO}(3)$$

semidirect product.

Linear symplectic group:

$$\text{Sp}(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) := \left\{ A \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n} \mid \omega(Au, Av) = \omega(u, v) \right. \\ \left. \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \right\}$$

where $\omega = e_1^* \wedge f_1^* + \dots + e_n^* \wedge f_n^*$

wrt the basis $e_1, f_1, \dots, e_n, f_n$

also write $\omega = dx_1 \wedge dy_1 + \dots + dx_n \wedge dy_n$

on $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$ as a mfd.

a (smooth) action of a Lie group G on a mfd M
is a group homomorphism

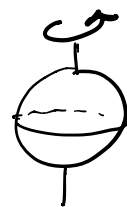
$$G \longrightarrow \underbrace{\text{Diff}(M)}_{\{\text{diffeomorphisms } M \rightarrow M\}}$$

which we write as $g \longmapsto (g: M \rightarrow M) \quad g: m \mapsto g \cdot m$
or $g \longmapsto (g_M: M \rightarrow M)$

s.t. the map $(g, m) \longmapsto g \cdot m$
 $G \times M \longrightarrow M$ is smooth

write: $G \curvearrowright M$.

Examples. $S^1 \curvearrowright S^2$



$$SO(3) \curvearrowright S^2$$

"action" means "left action"

a right action of a Lie gp G on a mfd M
is an anti-gp-homomorphism $G \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M)$
which we write as $g \longmapsto (m \mapsto m \cdot g)$

s.t. the map $M \times G \rightarrow M, (m, g) \mapsto m \cdot g$ is smooth.

Note: $g: m \mapsto m \cdot g^{-1}$ is then a (left) action.

A linear representation is an action of G on a vector space s.t. each $g \in G$ acts as a linear transformation.

Let $G \curvearrowright M$ and $G \curvearrowright N$ be G -actions.
A map $f: M \rightarrow N$ is G -equivariant if it intertwines the G -actions:
$$f(a \cdot m) = a \cdot f(m) \quad \forall a \in G \quad \forall m \in M.$$

Let a Lie group G act on a mfld M .

- $\forall$ point $m \in M$, its stabilizer
 $\equiv$ isotropy subgroup is
$$\text{Stab}(m) := \{a \in G \mid a \cdot m = m\}$$

It's a closed subgroup of G .

The orbit of $m \in M$ is $G \cdot m := \{a \cdot m \mid a \in G\} \subset M$.

Note:
- $M = \sqcup$ orbits
- points in the same orbit have conjugate stabilizers.

If $H = \text{stab}(m)$ then

$$G \curvearrowright G/H \xrightarrow{aH \mapsto a \cdot m} G \cdot m \subset M$$

is a G -equivariant bijection.

In fact, G/H is a mfd.

$G \cdot m$ is a mfd

The map $G/H \rightarrow G \cdot m$ is a diffeomorphism.
→ i.e.

There exists a unique mfd str on G/H
 s.t. $G \rightarrow G/H$ is a submersion

There exists a unique mfd str. on $G \cdot m$
 s.t. $G \cdot m \hookrightarrow M$ is an immersion

Warning on the "figure eight" $\infty \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$
 $\exists$ two different mfd structures s.t.
 the inclusion map to $\mathbb{R}^2$ is an immersion:

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Corollary ∞ is not an orbit of any flow on $\mathbb{R}^2$.

- The action $G \curvearrowright M$ is free if
 $\forall m \in M \quad \text{Stab}(m) = \{1\}.$
- The action $G \curvearrowright$ is faithful = effective
 if $G \longrightarrow \text{Diff}(M)$ is one to one
 $\Leftrightarrow \bigcap_m \text{Stab}(m) = \{1\}.$

Any G -action on M descends to a
 faithful action of $G_{\text{eff}} := G/K$

where K is the kernel of the action.

$K \subset G$ is a closed normal subgroup
 G/K is a Lie group.

Let G be a Lie group.

The Lie algebra of G is the vector space

$$\mathfrak{g} := T_1 G$$

(cert the Lie algebra structure that we will recall later.).

The exponential map $\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$

is characterized by

① $\forall \xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ $t \mapsto \exp(t\xi)$ is a group homo $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$.

② $\forall \xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \exp(t\xi) = \xi$

If G is a group of matrices then

$$\exp(A) = I + A + \frac{1}{2!} A^2 + \dots$$

If $G = T \cong (S^1)^k$ is a torus

and $\mathfrak{t} = \underbrace{\text{Lie}(T)}_{\text{its Lie algebra}}$ then

$\exp: \mathfrak{t} \rightarrow T$ is a group homomorphism from $(\mathfrak{t}, +)$ to T

$\mathbb{Z}_T := \ker(\exp) \subset \mathfrak{t}$ is a lattice

eg. $T \cong (S^1)^k$

induces $\mathfrak{t} \cong \mathbb{R}^k$

st. $\mathbb{Z}_T \longleftrightarrow 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^k$

(Here we identified $\text{Lie}(S) \cong \mathbb{R}$
by $\alpha \leftrightarrow q$)

So $T \cong \mathbb{R} / \mathbb{Z}_T$

A Lie gp action $G \curvearrowright M$
determines vector fields ξ_m , for $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$

by
$$\xi_m := \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \exp(t \cdot \xi) \cdot m$$

i.e. $\forall \xi \in \text{Lie}(G)$ we get a flow

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & G & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Diff}(M) \\ & \xi \mapsto \exp(t\xi) & & & \end{array}$$

& ξ_m is the velocity vector field of this flow.

2nd hour

Recall. a s. form ω on a mfd M is
a differential 2-form ω that is closed & nondeg.

It induces a bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{smooth} \\ \text{vector fields} \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{smooth} \\ \text{1-forms} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &\longmapsto \xi \lrcorner \omega \\ &= \omega(\xi, \cdot) \\ &= Z(\xi) \omega \\ &= Z_{\xi} \omega \end{aligned}$$

true
if

nondeg

2-form

(NOT
using
 $d\omega=0$)

Moreover it induces a bijection between
smooth families of vector fields
and smooth families of 1-forms:

i.e. let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ for some m .
_{open}

$\forall t \in U$ let ξ_t be a v. field on M
& let α_t be a 1-form on M .

Suppose $\alpha_t = \xi_t \lrcorner \omega \quad \forall t$. Then

The family $\{\xi_t\}_{t \in U}$ is smooth

iff the family $\{\alpha_t\}_{t \in U}$ is smooth.

This follows from the following (bi)linear algebra:

Let V be a (real) vector space of dimension $2n$.

$$\Lambda^2 V^* := \{2\text{-covectors on } V\} = \{ \text{antisymmetric bilinear } V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}.$$

$$\Lambda^2 V^* \times V \longrightarrow V^*$$

$$(\omega_v, \xi) \longmapsto \omega_v(\xi, \cdot)$$

is smooth.

$$(\Lambda^2 V^*)_{\text{nondeg}} := \left\{ \omega_v \in \Lambda^2 V^* \mid \begin{array}{l} \xi \mapsto \omega_v(\xi, \cdot) \\ V \rightarrow V^* \end{array} \text{ is a linear isomorphism} \right\}$$

$$(\Lambda^2 V^*)_{\text{nondeg}} \times V^* \longrightarrow V$$

$$(\omega_v, \alpha) \longmapsto \xi \text{ s.t. } \omega_v(\xi, \cdot) = \alpha$$

is also smooth.

In coordinates:

$$(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{2n}) \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2n}) \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solve: } \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_{2n} \end{pmatrix} = -[\Omega_{ij}]^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{2n} \end{pmatrix}$$

is smooth by Cramer's rule.

Let (M, ω) be a sympl. mfd
and $G \curvearrowright M$ a Lie group action.

The action is symplectic if $\forall a \in G$

$$a_m^* \omega = \omega \quad \text{also write } a^* \omega = \omega$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{where } a \mapsto (a_m: M \rightarrow M) \\ G \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M) \end{array} \right)$$

It follows that $\forall \xi \in \mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\sum_M} \omega = 0$$

Indeed, let $\psi_t := \exp(t\xi)_m : M \rightarrow M$

By assumption $\psi_t^* \omega = \omega$.

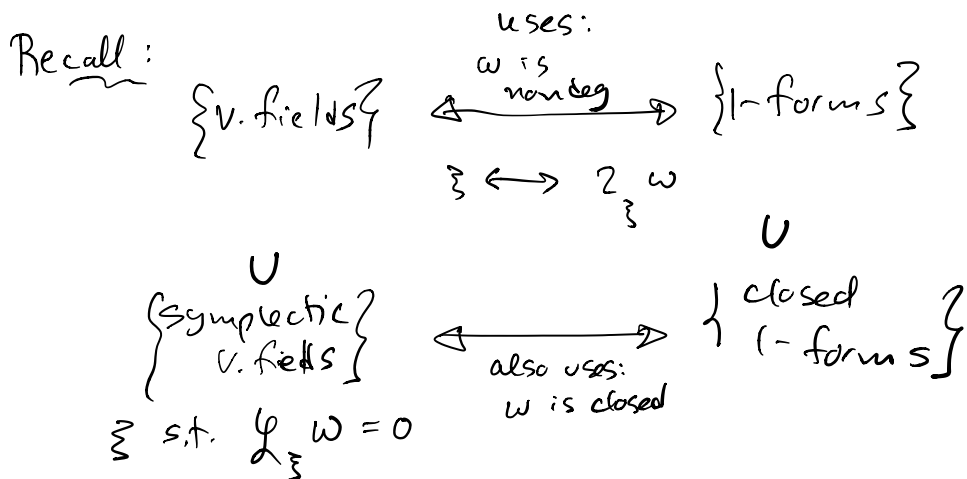
$$\mathcal{L}_{\sum_M} \omega = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \underbrace{\psi_t^* \omega}_{\text{all } = \omega} = 0$$

Recall:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\sum_M} \omega &= d \mathcal{Z}_{\sum_M} \omega + \mathcal{Z}_{\sum_M} \underline{d\omega} \\ &= d \mathcal{Z}_{\sum_M} \omega \end{aligned}$$

$\underline{d\omega} = 0$

$\therefore \mathcal{Z}_{\sum_M} \omega$ is a closed 1-form.



Notations: $\xi \lrcorner \omega = \sum \omega = \sum (\xi) \omega$

Note. Let ξ be the velocity v. field
 of a flow $\{\psi_t : M \rightarrow M\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$. Then

ξ is a sympl. v. field
 iff the flow is symplectic.

showing: if $\psi_t^* \omega = \omega \forall t$ then $\mathcal{L}_\xi \omega = 0$.

The other direction: assume $\mathcal{L}_\xi \omega = 0$.

Since when $t=0$ $\psi_0 = \text{Id}$ so $\psi_0^* \omega = \omega$,
 it's enough to show $\frac{d}{dt} \bigg|_{t=t_0} \psi_t^* \omega = 0$.
 $\forall t_0$

Indeed:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=t_0} \psi_t^* \omega &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \psi_{t+t_0}^* \omega \\
 &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\psi_t \psi_{t_0})^* \omega = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\psi_{t_0}^* \psi_t^* \omega) \\
 &= \psi_{t_0}^* \left(\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \psi_t^* \omega \right) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= \mathcal{L}_\xi \omega = 0}$
 $\uparrow$
 assumption

ξ is a symplectic v. field

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_\xi \omega = 0 \quad \stackrel{\text{shown}}{\Leftrightarrow} \quad \xi \lrcorner \omega \text{ is a closed 1-form.}$$

ξ is a Hamiltonian v. field

$$\Leftrightarrow \xi \lrcorner \omega \text{ is an exact 1-form}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists f \in C^\infty(M) := \{\text{smooth } M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\} \text{ s.t.}$$

$df = - \xi \lrcorner \omega$

Hamilton's equation.

Warning the sign convention is not consistent in the literature.

In symplectic coordinates: $q_1, p_1, \dots, q_n, p_n$

$$\omega = dq_1 \wedge dp_1 + \dots + dq_n \wedge dp_n$$

$$\xi = \sum_j \dot{q}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial q_j} + \dot{p}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j}$$

(eg. if $\gamma(t) = (q_j(t), p_j(t))$ is a trajectory of the flow
of ξ then at $\xi|_{\gamma(t)} = \sum \dot{q}_j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial q_j} + \dot{p}_j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j}$
where $\dot{q}_j(t) = \frac{dq_j}{dt}$ and $\dot{p}_j(t) = \frac{dp_j}{dt}$)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_j} \lrcorner \omega = dp_j, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \lrcorner \omega = -dq_j$$

$$\text{So } \xi \lrcorner \omega = \sum_j \dot{q}_j dp_j - \dot{p}_j dq_j$$

$$df = \sum_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_j} dq_j + \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} dp_j$$

$$\text{So } df = \xi \lrcorner \omega \text{ iff}$$

$$\dot{q}_j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{p}_j = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial q_j}$$

Hamilton's equations

physics: $f = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + u(q) = \frac{1}{2m} p^2 + u(q)$ ($p = mv$)

$$\text{So } \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = \frac{p}{m} = v = \dot{q}$$

a momentum map for a sympl. group action

$G \curvearrowright (M, \omega)$ is
a G -equivariant map
will explain

$$\mu: M \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g}^* = (\text{Lie } G)^*$$

whose coordinates

$$\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$$

$$\mu^\xi := \langle \mu, \xi \rangle : M \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfy Hamilton's equation

$$\boxed{d\mu^\xi = - \sum_{\xi \in \mathfrak{g}} \omega}$$

Note if μ exists then it is unique
up to adding a constant in $\mathfrak{g}^*$
 G -invariant

A Hamiltonian G -action is a triple (M, ω, μ)

where (M, ω) is a sympl. m.f.d.
equipped w/ a sympl. G -action

and $\mu: M \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$ is a momentum map.

after-class discussion

Suppose $\eta = f \xi$ for $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

so the flows of η & ξ
have the same orbits.

Suppose $\mathcal{L}_\xi \omega = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\eta \omega &= \mathcal{L}_{f\xi} \omega = d\mathcal{L}_{f\xi} \omega + \mathcal{L}_{f\xi} d\omega \\ &= d(f \mathcal{L}_\xi \omega) \\ &= \underbrace{df \wedge \mathcal{L}_\xi \omega}_? + \underbrace{f d\mathcal{L}_\xi \omega}_{=0 \text{ by assumption}} \end{aligned}$$

so we could get $\mathcal{L}_\eta \omega \neq 0$.

eg. dim = 2. $\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ on $\mathbb{R}^2_{x,y}$.

Rescale:

