

Why Diffeology?

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Why Diffeology?

Why Diffeology? Because we need

- A simple, rigorous and powerful framework that goes beyond the natural limits of differential geometry, whether they are singularities, infinite dimension etc.
- Which can treat on the same footing: quotients, parts, products and sums.
- And even spaces of paths and, more generally, spaces of smooth maps.
- Which captures and preserves the unique characteristics of singular constructions.

Strategy of Diffeology

- Diffeology overcomes these limitations by **abandoning the local model**.
- The **smoothness of a space** is no longer associated with the existence of local charts,
- But only with the choice of a **family of parametrizations** into the space, which reveal its **smooth structure**.

Just as **basal metabolism** represents the minimal energy required for life, diffeology provides the **minimal structure required for a meaningful theory of smoothness**. In this sense it can be regarded as a **basal framework** for differential geometry.

The Axiomatic

Category Diffeology I

A **diffeology** on a set X is given by a choice \mathcal{D} of **Euclidean parametrizations** (maps from Euclidean domains into X) 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 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' .

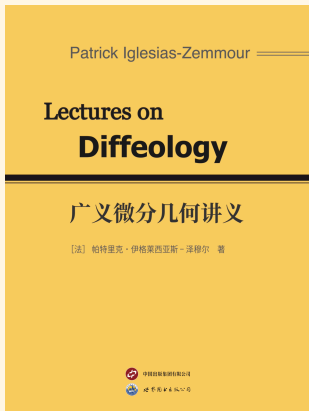
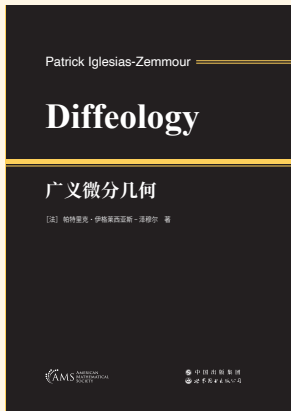
Category Diffeology II

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: $\coprod_i X_i$
- Quotients: $\mathcal{Q} = X/\sim$
- Subsets: $A \subset X$
- Products: $\prod_i X_i$

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**.



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The first significant example

- The **irrational torus** is the quotient of the 2-torus T^2 by the irrational flow

$$\mathcal{S}_\alpha = \left\{ \left(e^{2i\pi t}, e^{2i\pi\alpha t} \right) \mid t \in \mathbf{R} \right\} \subset T^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha \in \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{Q}.$$

- $T_\alpha = T^2 / \mathcal{S}_\alpha$.
- Because α is **irrational**, \mathcal{S}_α is **dense** and T_α is topologically **trivial**.

The Irrational Torus II

The diffeology on T_α

The **plots** in T_α are the parametrizations

$$P : U \rightarrow T_\alpha,$$

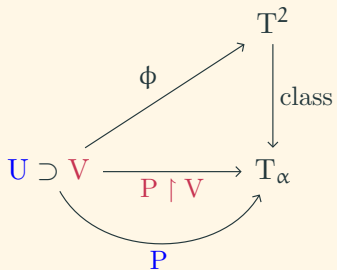
that satisfy the condition:

- For all $r \in U$ there exists an open neighbourhood $V \subset U$ of r and a smooth map $\phi : V \rightarrow T^2$ such that:

$$P \upharpoonright V = \text{class} \circ \phi.$$

where $\text{class} : T^2 \rightarrow T_\alpha$ is the projection.

The Plots in T_α



The Irrational Torus IV

Facts on T_α

The diffeological space T_α is non-trivial, unlike its topology.
Here are some facts:

- Fact 1. The irrational torus T_α is diffeomorphic to the quotient $\mathbf{R}/(\mathbf{Z} + \alpha\mathbf{Z})$.
- Fact 2. The projection $\pi : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow T_\alpha \simeq \mathbf{R}/(\mathbf{Z} + \alpha\mathbf{Z})$ is its universal covering, unique up to an isomorphism.
- Fact 3. The first homotopy group of T_α identifies with $\mathbf{Z} + \alpha\mathbf{Z} \subset \mathbf{R}$.

Facts on T_α

Fact 4. T_α and T_β are diffeomorphic if they are conjugate by a unimodular transformation. That is, if there exists

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}(2, \mathbf{Z}) \text{ such that } \beta = \frac{a\alpha + b}{c\alpha + d}.$$

Fact 5. The diffeomorphisms of T_α are the projection of affine maps $x \mapsto \lambda x + \mu$, where μ is a real number and λ belongs to a subgroup of the multiplicative non-zero real number which identifies with the group of connected components of the group of diffeomorphisms $\text{Diff}(T_\alpha)$.

$$\pi_0(\text{Diff}(T_\alpha)) \simeq \begin{cases} \{\pm 1\} \times \mathbf{Z}, & \text{if } \alpha \text{ is a quadratic number;} \\ \{\pm 1\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The Irrational Torus VI

The homotopy of the irrational torus is the same as if the projection $\pi: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_\alpha$ was a fibration with fiber \mathbf{R} ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbb{T}^2 & \leftarrow \text{Total space} \\ \text{Fiber } \mathbf{R} \rightarrow & \downarrow \pi & \\ & \mathbb{T}_\alpha & \leftarrow \text{Base space} \end{array}$$

we could apply the exact **long homotopy sequence**, the homotopy of the base and because **\mathbf{R} is contractible**. That would give: $\pi_0(\mathbb{T}_\alpha) = \{\mathbb{T}_\alpha\}$, **$\pi_1(\mathbb{T}_\alpha) = \mathbf{Z}^2$** and $\pi_k(\mathbb{T}_\alpha) = 0$ for all $k > 1$,

But it is not since \mathbb{T}_α is topologically trivial...

Fiber Bundles

Fiber Bundles in Diffeology

Fiber bundle will be defined in diffeology by **relaxing** the condition of **local triviality**:

DEFINITION. A projection $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$ is a (diffeological) fibration, with fiber F , if, for every plot $P : U \rightarrow X$, the pullback

$$pr_1 : P^*(Y) \rightarrow U \quad \text{with} \quad P^*(Y) = \{(r, y) \in U \times Y \mid P(r) = \pi(y)\},$$

is locally trivial with fiber F .

This is called **local triviality along the plots**.

Fiber Bundles II

The **local structure** of a diffeological fibration, for a plot $P : U \rightarrow X$ and $V \subset U$ is some open subset over which the pullback is trivial:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} V \times F & \xrightarrow{\phi} & P^*(Y) \upharpoonright V & \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_2} & Y \\ & \searrow \text{pr}_1 & \downarrow \text{pr}_1 & & \downarrow \pi \\ & & U \supset V & \xrightarrow{P \upharpoonright V} & X \\ & & & \curvearrowright P & \end{array}$$

Facts on Fiber Bundles in Diffeology

- Fact 1. A diffeological fiber bundle over a manifold is locally trivial.
- Fact 2. Over a manifold, if the fiber is a manifold the total space of the fiber bundle is a manifold. Diffeological fibrations extend fully and faithfully their counterparts in ordinary differential geometry.
- Fact 3. The projection of a diffeological group G over a quotient G/H , where H is any subgroup, is a diffeological fibration.
- Fact 4. The projection class $: T^2 \rightarrow T_\alpha$ is a non trivial, non locally trivial, diffeological fibration.

Homotopy

Conectedness I

Homotopy is founded on the analysis of paths and loops. Let X be a diffeological space and $x \in X$.

$$\text{Paths}(X) = C^\infty(\mathbf{R}, X),$$

$$\text{Loops}(X, x) = \{\ell \in \text{Paths}(X) \mid \hat{1}(\ell) = \hat{0}(\ell) = x\},$$

Where $\text{Paths}(X)$ is equipped with the functional diffeology and $\text{Loops}(X, x)$ with the subset diffeology.

DEFINITION. Two points $x, x' \in X$ are **connected**, or **homotopic**, if they are the ends of some path γ : $\hat{0}(\gamma) = \gamma(0) = x$ and $\hat{1}(\gamma) = \gamma(1) = x'$, or **ends**(γ) = (x, x') .

Connectedness II

Fact 1. Connectedness is an equivalence relation that divides the space into classes called **connected components**, or simply **components**. We denote

$$\pi_0(X) = X/\text{homotopy}$$

Fact 2. The decomposition into connected components is the finest that makes X the sum of its parts.

$$X = \coprod_{X_i \in \pi_0(X)} X_i.$$

Fundamental Group

Since the space of loops in X is a diffeological space, the construction of homotopy applies and the fundamental group of a diffeological space is defined by:

DEFINITION. The first group of homotopy of a (connected) space, also called fundamental group, is the space of components of $\text{Loops}(X, x)$, based at the constant loop $\hat{x} = [t \mapsto x]$.

$$\pi_1(X, x) = \pi_0(\text{Loops}(X, x), \hat{x}).$$

The multiplication is defined by the juxtaposition

$$\text{comp}(\ell) \cdot \text{comp}(\ell') = \text{comp}(\ell \vee \ell').$$

Higher Homotopy Groups

The **higher homotopy groups** of X are defined by a recursion, for all $k \geq 1$:

$$\pi_k(X, x) = \pi_{k-1}(\text{Loops}(X, x), \hat{x}) \quad \text{and} \quad x_k = [t \mapsto x_{k-1}],$$

An equivalent presentation of the higher homotopy groups:

$$X_k = \text{Loops}(X_{k-1}, x_{k-1}) \quad \text{with} \quad x_k = [t \mapsto x_{k-1}],$$

And then

$$\pi_k(X, x) = \pi_1(X_{k-1}, x_{k-1}).$$

Example: $\pi_2(X, x) = \pi_1(X_1, x_1)$, $X_1 = \text{Loops}(X, x)$ and $x_1 = \hat{x}$, then $\pi_2(X, x) = \pi_0(\text{Loops}(X_1, x_1), \hat{x}_1) = \pi_0(\text{Loops}(\text{Loops}(X, x), \hat{x}), [t \mapsto [s \mapsto x]])$.

Homotopy of Fiber Bundles

Like their counterparts in ordinary differential geometry, diffeological fibrations $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$ satisfy the **homotopy long exact sequence**:

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \rightarrow \pi_n(F, \mathbf{y}) \rightarrow \pi_n(Y, \mathbf{y}) \rightarrow \pi_n(X, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \pi_{n-1}(F, \mathbf{y}) \rightarrow \cdots \\ \cdots \rightarrow \pi_0(F, \mathbf{y}) \rightarrow \pi_0(Y, \mathbf{y}) \rightarrow \pi_0(X, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the fiber is chosen as $F = \pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\mathbf{y} \in F$.

Applied to the irrational torus as the fibration $\text{class} : T^2 \rightarrow T_\alpha$ with contractible fiber \mathbf{R} , the sequence gives immediately the homotopy of T_α , i.e. $\pi_0(T_\alpha) = \{T_\alpha\}$, $\pi_1(T_\alpha) = \pi_1(T^2) = \mathbf{Z}^2$ and $\pi_k(T_\alpha) = \pi_k(T^2) = 0$ for all $k > 1$.

Differential Calculus

Differential Forms on Diffeological Spaces

- A **differential k-form** α on a diffeological space X 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 $\text{dom}(P)$

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

- **Pullback**: $f: X \rightarrow X'$ smooth, and $\alpha' \in \Omega^k(X')$, then,

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

Differential Calculus

Let X be a diffeological space and $\alpha \in \Omega^p(X)$. Then,

$$d\alpha: P \mapsto d[\alpha(P)]$$

is a differential $(p + 1)$ -form on X . The operator d is linear and smooth, for the functional diffeology. It satisfies

$$d \circ d = 0.$$

The vector space of closed k -forms, $d\alpha = 0$ is denoted by $Z^k(X)$. The vector space of exact k -form, $\alpha = d\beta$ is denoted by $B^k(X)$. The k th **de Rham cohomology group** (which is a vector space) is

$$H_{dR}^k(X) = Z^k(X)/B^k(X).$$

Connecting Forms on Space of Paths

There exists a smooth linear **integro-differential operator**

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

Satisfying

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

That is, for all form α

$$\mathcal{K}[d\alpha] + d[\mathcal{K}\alpha] = \hat{\mathbf{1}}^*(\alpha) - \hat{\mathbf{0}}^*(\alpha).$$

Recall that $\hat{\mathbf{1}}, \hat{\mathbf{0}} : \text{Paths}(X) \rightarrow X$, with $\hat{\mathbf{t}}(\gamma) = \gamma(t)$.

Application of the Chain Homotopy Operator

Homotopic Invariance of De Rham Cohomology

THEOREM. *The pullback of a closed form by homotopic smooth maps are cohomologous.*

Proof. Let X and X' be the diffeological spaces, and $t \mapsto f_t$ be a path in $C^\infty(X', X)$. let $F : X' \rightarrow \text{Paths}(X)$ defined by:

$$F(x') = [t \mapsto f_t(x')].$$

Let $\alpha \in \Omega^k(X)$ and $d\alpha = 0$. Apply F^* to the Chain Homotopy Operator identity:

$$F^*(\mathcal{K}(d\alpha) + d[\mathcal{K}\alpha]) = F^*(\hat{1}^*(\alpha)) - F^*(\hat{0}^*(\alpha))$$

That gives $d[F^*(\mathcal{K}\alpha)] = f_1^*(\alpha) - f_0^*(\alpha)$, that is:

$$f_1^*(\alpha) = f_0^*(\alpha) + d\beta. \quad \square$$

Singularities

Singular Diffeological Spaces I

Examples of singular diffeological spaces:

- The **irrational torus**, because its D-topology is trivial and itself is not trivial.
- The **half-line** $[0, \infty[$ because 0 is distinguished by the topology.
- The **quotient spaces** $\mathbf{R}^n/O(n)$ which look like $[0, \infty[$ but are they equivalent?
- **Orbifolds** and more generally **quasifolds**.
- More generally: every **quotient**, or **subspace**, of manifolds that is not a manifold.

Singular Diffeological Spaces II

Examples of singular diffeological spaces:

- What distinguishes the half-line $[0, \infty[\subset \mathbf{R}$ with the quotients its its **dimension** at 0 :

$$\dim_0([0, \infty[) = \infty \quad \dim_0 \mathbf{R}^n / O(n) = n.$$

So, by its specific definition of dimension, diffeology discriminate between the various quotients $\mathbf{R}^n / O(n)$ and with the embedded half-line.

- Orbifolds have the same dimension everywhere (by construction) but have **singular points: They cannot be exchanged by local diffeomorphisms.**
- The irrational torus is homogeneous, it has the same dimension everywhere, but has a trivial D-topology.

The action of local diffeomorphisms

The singularities exhibited by the half-lines, as well by orbifolds or quasifolds are both captured by the action of **local diffeomorphisms**. That justifies the general introduction of the **specific stratification** proper to diffeology:

THEOREM. [Klein Stratification] *The partition of a diffeological space in orbits of local diffeomorphisms defines a stratification: it satisfies the **frontier condition**: The closure of an orbit, for the D -topology, is a union of orbits.*

Orbits are called **Klein strata**, they can be regarded as the definition of **internal singularities**. The dimension of the space is constant on Klein strata, that explains why in some cases the dimension captures the singularity.

Quotients of Manifolds

The Klein stratification is a natural and powerful diffeological invariant for the study of a **quotient manifold** M by a compact Lie group G . In the case of a **symplectic manifold** M^{2n} by an effective action of the **torus** T^n , the **dimension map** of the quotient space $Q_n = M^{2n}/T^n$ is related to the **depth**, added by hand to the topological structure of Q_n :¹

$$\dim_x(Q_n) = \dim(M) - \text{depth}(x).$$

For example $Q_n = \mathbf{C}^n/T^n$ has the D-topology of a corner $[0, \infty[^n$, but its dimension at x varies according to this formula.

¹In particular in yet not published paper: *Classification of Locally Standard Torus Actions* by Yael Karshon and Shintarô Kuroki.

Orbifolds & Quasifolds

- An **manifold** is a diffeological space that is locally diffeomorphic to some \mathbf{R}^n .
- An **orbifold** is a diffeological space that is locally diffeomorphic to some \mathbf{R}^n/Γ , where Γ is a finite subgroup of the linear group $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$, Γ may change with the point.

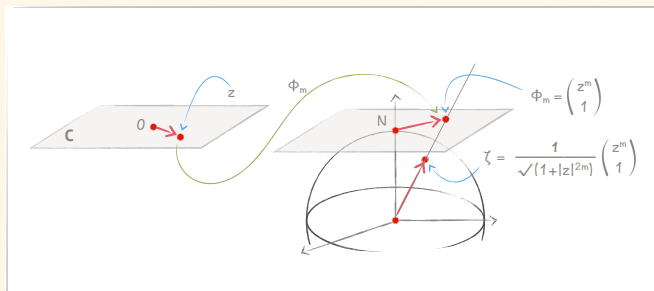
THEOREM. *This definition is equivalent to the original definition by Satake in his papers of 1956/57.*

- A **quasifold** is a diffeological space that is locally diffeomorphic to some \mathbf{R}^n/Γ , where Γ is a countable subgroup of the affine group $\text{Aff}(n, \mathbf{R})$. This definition is an adaptation to diffeology of E. Prato original definition. The irrational torus is an example of quasifold.

The Plots of the TearDrop Orbifold

A plot ζ in $S^2 \subset \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{R}$: If $\zeta(r_0) \neq N$, then there exists a ball \mathcal{B} centered at r_0 such that $\zeta \upharpoonright \mathcal{B}$ is smooth. If $\zeta(r_0) = N$, there exist a ball \mathcal{B} centered at r_0 and a smooth parametrization z in \mathbf{C} defined on \mathcal{B} such that, for all $r \in \mathcal{B}$,

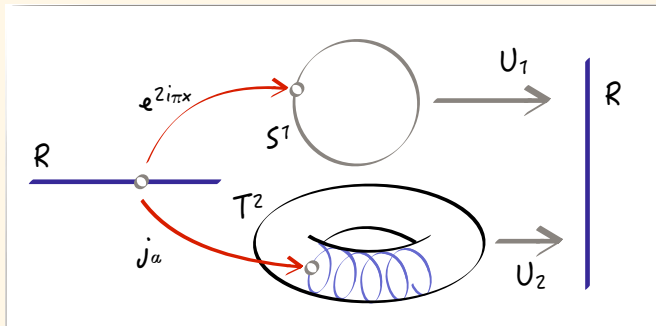
$$\zeta(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + |z(r)|^{2m}}} \begin{pmatrix} z(r)^m \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$



Diffeology and Noncommutative Geometry

C^* -Algebras associated to Orbifolds & Quasifolds I

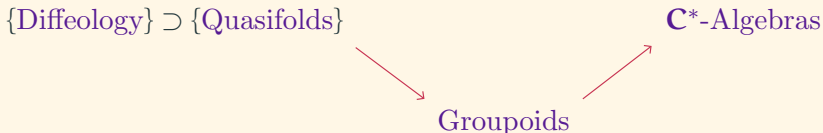
The study of the irrational torus has been inspired by the involvement of **quasi-periodic potentials** in physics, and their mathematical treatment.



- This question has been addressed first by Alain Connes who introduced the concept of **noncommutative geometry**. The **diffeological approach** was a test (in the 1980s), with the **irrational torus**, to propose a pure geometric counterpart to this approach. But no structural links was made at this time between the two constructions.
- Much later in the 2010s we gave an categorical answer to this question: “**How diffeology and noncommutative geometry are related?**”. This question has now a formal structural answer at least for orbifolds, and more generally for quasifolds.

C^* -Algebras associated to Orbifolds & Quasifolds III

1. The connection between diffeology and noncommutative geometry is made according to **Jean Renault's** approach to noncommutative geometry by **groupoids**.
2. We associate to every generating family \mathcal{F} of a quasifold Q (and then orbifold) a specific groupoid, and by Renault's construction a C^* -algebra.



3. And prove then that different generating families define Morita equivalent C^* -algebras, the natural equivalence in noncommutative geometry.

Structural groupoid of a Quasifolds

Let Q be a quasifold and \mathcal{F} a generating family, their domains are open sets that factorize to Q through some quotient \mathbf{R}^n/Γ . Define then the groupoid \mathbf{F}

- $\text{Obj}(\mathbf{F}) = \coprod_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \text{dom}(F)$, the nebula of \mathcal{F} .
- $\text{Mor}_{\mathbf{F}}((F, r), (F', r'))$ is the set of local diffeomorphisms ϕ , from $\text{dom}(F)$ to $\text{dom}(F')$ such that $F(r) = F'(r')$ and $F' \circ \phi =_{\text{loc}} F$, equipped with a functional diffeology of local smooth maps.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{dom}(F) \supset \text{dom}(\phi) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \text{dom}(F') \\ & \searrow F & \swarrow F' \\ & X & \end{array}$$

THEOREM 1. *The structural groupoids associated with two generating families are equivalent.*

The following convolution and the involution are defined on the space of compactly supported continuous complex functions on $\text{Mor}(\mathbf{F})$:

$$f * g(\gamma) = \sum_{\beta \in \mathbf{G}^x} f(\beta \cdot \gamma) g(\beta^{-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad f^*(\gamma) = f(\gamma^{-1})^*,$$

THEOREM 2. *The space of compactly supported continuous complex functions on $\text{Mor}(\mathbf{F})$ is a $*$ -algebra that becomes C^* -algebra after completion for the uniform norm.*

The main theorem of this construction is:

THEOREM 3. *Different generating families of a quasifold give Morita equivalent C^* -algebras.*

COROLLARY. *Diffeomorphic quasifolds have Morita equivalent C^* -algebras.*

The **irrational torus** is a typical example, for which the structural groupoid of the generating family $\{\text{class} : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}/(\mathbf{Z} + \alpha\mathbf{Z})\}$ is the groupoid of the $\mathbf{Z} + \alpha\mathbf{Z}$ action. This **coincides with the noncommutative geometry** construct.

Symplectic Diffeology

Diffeological Groups And Momenta

- A **diffeological group** is a diffeological space 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 $L(g): g' \mapsto gg'$.

⚡ It is important to notice the space of momenta \mathcal{G}^* is **not defined by duality** with a presumed Lie algebra.

Symplectic geometry applied to mechanics has revealed two fundamental constructions:

- The group of automorphisms, the subgroup of Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms, Hamiltonian vector fields, one-parameter group of Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms, and so on.
- The moment map of groups of automorphisms, that capture a part (or the whole) of the geometry of the symplectic manifold.

These objects have a natural extension in diffeology, and we can build symplectic diffeology around these two constructions.²

²I leave isotropic and co-isotropic subspaces for further investigations.

Moment Map Simple Case

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}^* . This is the **moment map** of ω .

⇒ Actually it is **a** moment map. The moment map associated with the primitive α .

Moment Map: the **General Case**

Let (X, ω) be a parasymplectic space, to get directly around the difficulty of the non-exactness of the closed 2-form ω , we use the **chain-homotopy operator** introduced previously

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

that satisfies the identity $d \circ \mathcal{K} + \mathcal{K} \circ d = \hat{1}^* - \hat{0}^*$. Define

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

If G preserves ω , then G preserve $\lambda = \mathcal{K}\omega$. And we are back to the simplest case $\underline{g}^*(\lambda) = \lambda$, but on the space of paths.

The Paths Moment Map

- The **paths moment map** is defined by:

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

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

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

Then

$$\Psi \circ g_* = \text{Ad}_*(g) \circ \Psi \quad \text{with} \quad g_*(\gamma) = \underline{g} \circ \gamma.$$

- It is additive. For γ and γ' juxtaposable:

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

Two-Points Moment Map

The Two-Points Moment Map

- The **two-points moment map**, projection on $X \times X$ of the paths moment map, is defined by:

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

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

- $\Gamma \subset \mathcal{G}^*$ 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 it is a Chasles cocycle:

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

One-Point Moment Map

The One-Point Moment Map

- A **one-point moment map** is a solution μ of

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

That is:

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

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

$$\mu(\underline{g}(x)) = \text{Ad}_*(\mu(x)) + \theta(g), \text{ with}$$

$$\theta(g) = \psi(x_0, \underline{g}(x_0)) - \Delta(\mathbf{c})(g),$$

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

Example ——— 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.

Example ——— 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: $[d\alpha] : f \mapsto \int_\Sigma f d\alpha$. Heuristically, people used to think of $d\alpha$ as the curvature, but here it assumes its true nature.

Example ——— 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:

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

- The moment map:

$$\mu(\alpha)(P)_r(\delta r) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \alpha \wedge P(r)^* \left(\frac{\partial P(r)_*(\alpha)}{\partial r} (\delta r) \right),$$

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.

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

- We consider $\text{Imm}(S^1, \mathbf{R}^2)$ and $\omega = d\alpha$, with

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

$\text{Diff}^+(S^1)$ 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 (lack of equivariance) 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 $\gamma = g^{-1}$. The integrand of the right-hand side is the Schwarzian derivative.

- The cocycle θ of this integral construction of the moment map in diffeology, extends the Souriau's cocycle of symplectic geometry.

Symplectic Reduction

Reduction of a Contact Manifold

Let us recall that a **contact form** on a manifold is a differential form λ such that $\ker(\lambda) \cap \ker(d\lambda) = \{0\}$. The **characteristics** of $d\lambda$ are the **integral curves** of the **Reeb vector field** ξ defined uniquely by $\lambda(\xi) = 1$ and $d\lambda(\xi) = 0$.

Theorem. *Let λ be a contact form on a manifold Y . There always exists on the **space \mathcal{S} of characteristics** of $d\lambda$ a **parasymplectic form** $\omega \in \Omega^2(\mathcal{S})$ such that*

$$\text{class}^*(\omega) = d\lambda, \text{ with } \text{class} : Y \rightarrow \mathcal{S} = Y / \ker(d\lambda).$$

*When \mathcal{S} is a manifold then ω is symplectic. Moreover, if Y has dimension $2n + 1$ then \mathcal{S} has dimension $2n$ and is **symplectically generated**.*

Example of the Geodesics of T^2

The spaces of geodesic trajectories are **parasymplectic** as a particular case of the **reduction of a contact manifold**. For example, the geodesic trajectories of $T^2 = \mathbf{R}^2/\mathbf{Z}^2$ are the projections of the **affine lines** in \mathbf{R}^2 . The space $\text{Geod}(T^2)$ is then the quotient of $S^1 \times \mathbf{R}$ by

$$(\mathbf{u}', \rho') \sim (\mathbf{u}, \rho) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{u} \text{ and } \rho' = \rho + n\mathbf{a} + m\mathbf{b},$$

with $\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$, the direction vector and $(n, m) \in \mathbf{Z}^2$. It is a **quasifold** $\mathbf{R}^2/\mathbf{Z}^3$, fibered on S^1 with fiber $T_{\mathbf{u}}$ over \mathbf{u} , a **rational** or **irrational torus** depending on the rationality of \mathbf{u} :

$$\pi: \text{Geod}(T^2) \rightarrow S^1, \text{ with } \pi^{-1}(\mathbf{u}) = T_{\mathbf{u}} \text{ and } T_{\mathbf{u}} \simeq \mathbf{R}/(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{b}\mathbf{Z}).$$

Singular Reduction in Infinite Dimension

Example of $\mathcal{E} = \{(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mid f_n \downarrow 0\}$, representing smooth complex periodic functions, with $\omega = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \hat{x}^*(\text{surf}) dx$, and \mathbf{R} acting on \mathcal{E} by $\underline{t}((f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}) = (e^{2i\pi\alpha_n t} f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$, with α_n independent on \mathbf{Q} .

- Moment maps: $\mathbf{h}(f) = \mathbf{E}(f) dt$, $\mathbf{E}(f) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \alpha_n \|f_n\|^2 + \mathbf{c}$.
- Let $\mathcal{S}_\alpha^\infty = \mathbf{E}^{-1}(1)$ ($\mathbf{c} = 0$). The singular orbits of \mathbf{R} on $\mathcal{S}_\alpha^\infty$ are the **harmonics** \mathcal{S}_k^1 with $f_n = 0$ if $n \neq k$. They are circles of radius $1/\sqrt{\alpha_k}$. The other orbits are principal and diffeomorphic to \mathbf{R} .
- Call **quasi-projective space** the quotient $\mathbf{CP}_\alpha^\infty = \mathcal{S}_\alpha^\infty / \mathbf{R}$. The form $\omega \upharpoonright \mathcal{S}_\alpha^\infty$ passes to $\mathbf{CP}_\alpha^\infty$ into a **parasymplectic form** ω , despite the infinitely many singular orbits.

Toric Quasifolds as Parasymplectic Spaces

One can embed any space \mathbf{C}^N into $\mathcal{E} = \{(f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} \mid f_n \downarrow 0\}$ by $(Z_1, \dots, Z_N) \mapsto (0_\infty, Z_1, \dots, Z_N, 0_\infty)$, and let \mathbf{R} acting on $\mathbf{C}^N \subset \mathcal{E}$ by some sub-action of $\underline{t}((f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}) = (e^{2i\pi\alpha_n t} f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$. By restriction of the infinity dimension case, one gets the constructions of Prato's **quasispheres**. In this sense \mathcal{E} is the **total classifying space** for **quasiprojective spaces**.

This 1-dimensional real action can be extended to any irrational action of \mathbf{R}^k on \mathcal{E} . This will make \mathcal{E} as the total classifying space for general **toric quasifolds**, which are symplectically generated diffeological spaces, including toric manifolds and toric orbifolds.

Prequantization

Integration Bundles on Parasymplectic Manifolds

Let (M, ω) be a **parasymplectic manifold**. Define the **group of periods** and the **torus of periods** of ω by:

$$P_\omega = \left\{ \int_\sigma \omega \mid \sigma \in H_2(M, \mathbf{Z}) \right\}, \text{ and } T_\omega = \mathbf{R} / P_\omega.$$

Theorem. *There exists a T_ω -principal bundle $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$, equipped with a connection form λ of curvature ω . That is:*

$$\pi^*(\omega) = d\lambda.$$

*Such **integration bundles** are classified, up to equivalence, by $\text{Ext}(H_1(M, \mathbf{Z}), P_\omega)$.*

When ω is **not integral**, $P_\omega \neq a\mathbf{Z}$, then T_ω is an **irrational torus** and Y is a diffeological space but not a manifold.

Prequantization ——— On Parasymplectic Spaces I

Generalized Prequantum Bundles on Parasymplectic Spaces

Let (X, ω) be a simply connected **parasymplectic diffeological space**. Let $x \in X$ and \hat{x} be the constant loop. Let P_ω and T_ω be the group and the torus of periods of $K\omega \upharpoonright \text{Loops}(X)$:

$$P_\omega = \left\{ \int_\sigma K\omega \mid \sigma \in \text{Loops}(\text{Loops}(X, x), \hat{x}) \right\} \text{ and } T_\omega = \mathbf{R}/P_\omega.$$

Define on $\text{Paths}(X, x)$ the equivalence relation $\gamma \sim \gamma'$ if:

$$\gamma(1) = \gamma'(1) \text{ and } \int_{\hat{x}}^{\gamma \vee \bar{\gamma}'} K\omega \in P_\omega, \text{ with } \bar{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(1 - t).$$

Theorem. *The quotient $Y = \text{Paths}(X, x)/\sim$ is a T_ω -principal bundle, for the concatenation with loops and projection $\pi : \text{class}(\gamma) \mapsto \gamma(1)$. The 1-form $K\omega$ projects onto Y in a connection form λ of curvature ω .*

Generalized Prequantum Bundles on Parasymplectic Spaces

In conclusion: For any simply connected parasymplectic diffeological spaces³ (finite or infinite dimensional, with or without singularities), there is a (unique up to equivalence in this case) **integration bundle** which is a **quotient of a space of paths**. It can also be called a **generalized prequantum bundle**.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Paths}(X, \chi) & \xrightarrow{\text{class}} & Y, \lambda \\ & \searrow \hat{1} & \swarrow \pi \\ & X, \omega & \end{array}$$

³The non simply connected case is a work in progress.

Global Analysis

Hamiltonian Diffeomorphisms

Theorem. *For any (connected) parasymplectic space (X, ω) , there exists a **largest connected subgroup** $\text{Ham}(X, \omega)$ in $G_\omega = \text{Diff}(X, \omega)$ whose **holonomy is trivial**. This is the group of **Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms**.*

Proof. Let \tilde{G}_ω° be the universal covering of the identity component of G_ω . Every element γ of the holonomy group Γ_ω is a closed 1-form on G_ω . Let $k(\gamma)$ be the real homomorphism on \tilde{G}_ω° such that $\pi^*(\gamma) = d[k(\gamma)]$. Let

$$\hat{H}_\omega = \bigcap_{\gamma \in \Gamma_\omega} \ker(k(\gamma)), \text{ then } \text{Ham}(X, \omega) = \pi(\hat{H}_\omega^\circ),$$

with $\pi : \tilde{G}_\omega^\circ \rightarrow G_\omega^\circ$. \square

Symplectic Manifolds are Coadjoint Orbits

The group $G_\omega = \text{Diff}(M, \omega)$ of a symplectic manifold is transitive. The orbit map $\hat{x} : \varphi \mapsto \varphi(x)$, $x \in M$, is a principal fiber bundle with group G_ω^x , in particular a subduction.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & G_\omega & \\
 \hat{x} \swarrow & & \searrow \text{class} \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\mu_\omega} & \mathcal{O}
 \end{array}$$

The universal moment map μ_ω is injective (ω symplectic). Let $\mathcal{O} = G_\omega / \text{Stab}(\epsilon)$, with $\epsilon = \mu_\omega(x)$ and $\text{class} : G_\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$.

Then, $\mu_\omega : M \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ is an equivariant diffeomorphism for the, possibly affine, coadjoint action $\text{Ad}_* + \theta_\omega$.

Example: the torus T^2 is an affine coadjoint orbit of itself.

Symplectic Manifolds are (Linear) Coadjoint Orbits

An **integration bundle** (Y, λ) of (M, ω) produces a **central extension** of the **Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms**:

$$1 \longrightarrow T_\omega \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(Y, \lambda)^\circ \xrightarrow{\text{pr}} \text{Ham}(X, \omega) \longrightarrow 1$$

\mathcal{A}^* and \mathcal{H}_ω^* denote the respective **spaces of momenta**. From here one gets the **commutative diagram of moment maps**:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 Y & \xrightarrow{\mu_Y} & \mathcal{A}^* \\
 \pi \downarrow & \nearrow \bar{\mu}_M & \uparrow \text{pr}^* \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\mu_M} & \mathcal{H}_\omega^*
 \end{array}$$

The moment map $\bar{\mu}_M$, which is the projection of the moment map μ_Y , identifies M with a **linear-coadjoint (non affine) orbit** of $\text{Aut}(Y, \lambda)$.

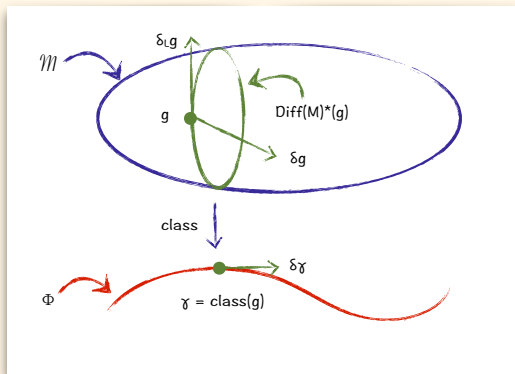
General Relativity and General Covariance

Diffeology can be used to formalize and give a rigorous formulation to Souriau's **General Covariance Principle** :

- **Passive matter** are pointed 1-forms on the quotient Φ of the pseudo-Riemannian metrics \mathcal{M} on space-time M , by the group of compactly supported diffeomorphisms $\text{Diff}_c(M)$.
- **Active matter**, i.e. **Einstein's fields equations**, appears as a closed 1-form on Φ .





This heuristic model “**Modèle de particule à spin dans le champ électromagnétique et gravitationnel**” (1974), had yet never been founded within a rigorous framework.

General Relativity and General Covariance












The Physics $\Phi = \mathcal{M}/\text{Diff}_c(M)$.

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