# Dynamique de Dirac pour les problemes mecaniques

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#### Generalized geometry for modelling in mechanics

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- Impicit Lagrangian systems
- Structure preserving numerics

(some in progress, j/w Oscar Cosserat, Aziz Hamdouni, Camille Laurent-Gengoux, Daria Loziienko, Alexei Kotov, Leonid Ryvkin) In the previous episodes...

# Philosophy:

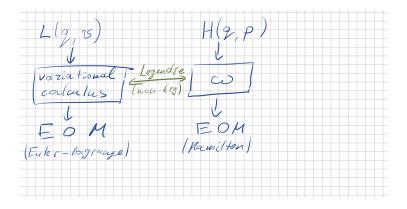
Geometry encodes the physics of the system

|                                              | Mechanical property         | Geometric description |  |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| classical<br>classical<br>mechanics<br>(ODE) | conservation of energy      | Poisson / symplectic  |  |
|                                              | symmetries                  | Lie groups/algebras,  |  |
|                                              | -                           | Cartan moving frames  |  |
|                                              | dissipation / interaction   | (almost) Dirac        |  |
|                                              | power balance; constraints  |                       |  |
|                                              | control                     | (singular) foliations |  |
| modern                                       | conservation of energy      | multisymplectic       |  |
| classical                                    | symmetries                  | Cartan moving frames  |  |
| mechanics<br>(PDE)                           | dissipation / interaction   | Stokes–Dirac          |  |
|                                              | rot(grad) = 0, div(rot) = 0 | $d^2 = 0 - DEC$       |  |
|                                              | control                     | foliations            |  |

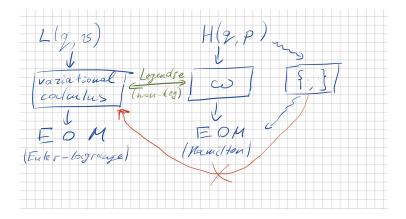
Preserving this geometry in computations is fruitful

| Very classical story                                                                                                     | Verlet '67<br>Yoshida's                        |            |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------|--|
| Canonical case:                                                                                                          | Symplectic geometry                            | -          |  |
| given $H: T^*Q \to \mathbb{R}$                                                                                           | $\omega = \sum_i dp_i \wedge dq^i$             | $\bigcirc$ |  |
| $\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}},  \dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{q}}$ | $\iota_{X_H}\omega=\mathrm{d}H$                |            |  |
| More general case:                                                                                                       | Poisson geometry                               |            |  |
| given $H: M \to \mathbb{R}$ and<br>an antisymmetric $J(\mathbf{x})$                                                      | $\{\cdot,\cdot\}$ on : $\mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$ |            |  |
|                                                                                                                          | $X_H = \{H, \cdot\}$                           |            |  |
| $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = J(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$                                                | $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \{H, \mathbf{x}\}$         |            |  |
| Oscar Cosserat, 2022                                                                                                     |                                                |            |  |

## Classical story in modern language

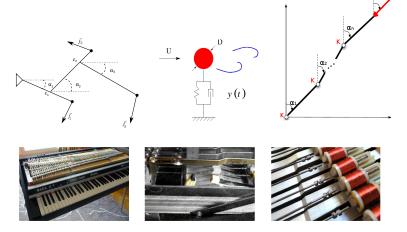


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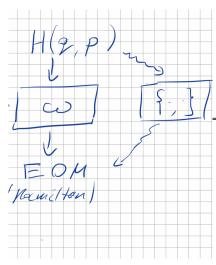
#### Beyond: port-Hamiltonian, constraint Lagrangian

Traditional references: J. Marsden, H. Yoshimura (ILS); A. van der Schaft, B. Maschke (PHS)

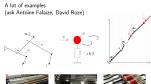


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# What is the conceptual difference?



#### Beyond: port-Hamiltonian systems; constraints



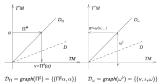


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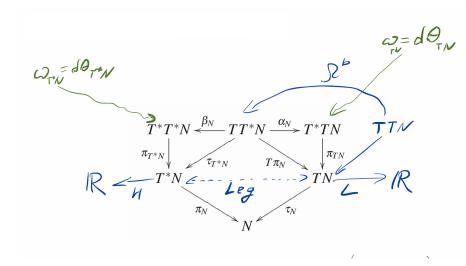
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A Dirac structure  $\mathcal D$  is a maximally isotropic (Lagrangian) subbundle of E closed w.r.t.  $[\cdot,\cdot]_D$ 



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**4.3.5 Theorem** (W.M. Tulczyjew). With the notations specified above (4.3.4), let  $X_H$ :  $T^*N \to TT^*N$  be the Hamiltonian vector field on the symplectic manifold  $(T^*N, d\theta_N)$ associated to the Hamiltonian  $H: T^*N \to \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $i(X_H)d\theta_N = -dH$ . Then

$$X_H(T^*N) = \beta_N^{-1} \big( \mathrm{d} H(T^*N) \big) \,.$$

*Moreover, the equality* 

$$\alpha_N^{-1} \big( \mathrm{d} L(TN) \big) = \beta_N^{-1} \big( \mathrm{d} H(T^*N) \big)$$

holds if and only if the Lagrangian L is hyper-regular and such that

$$\mathrm{d}H=\mathrm{d}\big(E_L\circ\mathcal{L}_L^{-1}\big)\,,$$

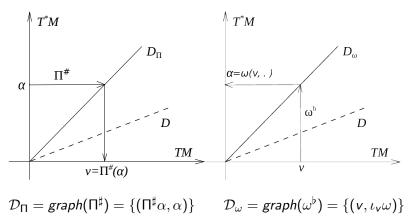
where  $\mathcal{L}_L : TN \to T^*N$  is the Legendre map and  $E_L : TN \to \mathbb{R}$  the energy associated to the Lagrangian L.

Season 2, Episode 1: What is Dirac dynamics? Main ingredients.

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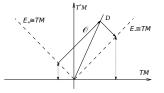
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A *Dirac structure*  $\mathcal{D}$  is a maximally isotropic (Lagrangian) subbundle of  $\mathbb{T}M$  closed w.r.t.  $[\cdot, \cdot]_D$ 



#### Dirac structures: general

Choose a metric on  $M \Rightarrow TM \oplus T^*M \cong TM \oplus TM$ , Introduce the eigenvalue subbundles  $E_{\pm} = \{v \oplus \pm v\}$ of the involution  $(v, \alpha) \mapsto (\alpha, v)$ . Clearly,  $E_+ \cong E_- \cong TM$ .



(Almost) Dirac structure – graph of an orthogonal operator  $\mathcal{O} \in \Gamma(\text{End}(TM))$ :  $(v, \alpha) = ((\text{id} - \mathcal{O})w, g((\text{id} + \mathcal{O})w, \cdot))$ <u>Dirac structure</u> = almost Dirac + (Jacobi-type) integrability condition:

$$g\left(\mathcal{O}^{-1}\nabla_{(\mathrm{id}-\mathcal{O})\xi_1}(\mathcal{O})\xi_2,\xi_3\right)+cycl(1,2,3)=0$$

Remark. If the operator (id + O) is invertible, one recovers  $D_{\Pi}$  with  $\Pi = \frac{id - O}{id + O}$  (Cayley transform), integrability  $\Leftrightarrow [\Pi, \Pi]_{SN} = 0$ . **Remark.** Lie algebroid structure:  $\rho = (id - O), \ C_{ij}^{k} = (id - O)_{i}^{m}\Gamma_{mj}^{k} - (i \leftrightarrow j) + O_{j}^{m;k}O_{mi}$ **Remark.** The same, using degree 1 DG-manifolds

# Reminder about Lie algebroids

#### Definition

Let *M* be a smooth manifold. A Lie algebroid  $(A, \rho, [\cdot, \cdot])$  is given by a finite-dimensional vector bundle *A*, a vector bundle morphism  $\rho : A \to TM$ , called anchor and a ( $\mathbb{R}$ -bilinear) Lie bracket on the sections of *A* 

 $[\cdot,\cdot]: \Gamma(A) \times \Gamma(A) \to \Gamma(A)$ 

satisfying for all  $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$ ,  $s, s' \in \Gamma(A)$ :

$$[s, fs'] = f[s, s'] + \rho(s)(f) \cdot s'.$$

#### Fun facts about Lie algebroids

• Lie algebroids can be alternatively defined as differential graded manifolds of degree 1. In particular, there is a degree 1 (Lichnerowicz) differential  $d_A : \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*) \to \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*)$ :

$$(d_A\eta)(\xi_1,...,\xi_{n+1}) = \sum_i (-1)^{i+1} \rho(\xi_i)(\eta(\xi_1,...,\hat{\xi}_i,...,\xi_{n+1})) \\ + \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \eta([\xi_i,\xi_j],\xi_1,...,\hat{\xi}_i,...,\hat{\xi}_j,...,\xi_{n+1})$$

It satisfies  $d_A^2 = 0$  and induces the so-called Lie algebroid cohomology and  $H^{\bullet}(A)$ .

The anchor  $\rho$  induces a morphism  $H^{\bullet}_{dR}(M) \to H^{\bullet}(A)$ .

• A Lie algebroid always induces a singular foliation on M:  $\rho(A) \subset TM$  is involutive, hence  $M = \bigsqcup_{\alpha} N_{\alpha}$  such that  $TN_{\alpha} = \rho(A)|_{N_{\alpha}}$  for all  $N_{\alpha}$  (immersed connected submanifolds). Moreover, the bracket on A restricts to well-defined brackets on  $A|_{N_{\alpha}}$ , turning  $A|_{N_{\alpha}} \to N_{\alpha}$  into Lie algebroids.

# Basic cohomology of Lie algebroids

**Definition** Let  $A \xrightarrow{\rho} TM$  be a Lie algebroid over the smooth manifold M. We define:

- The subspace of  $\rho$ -horizontal forms at  $m \in M$  as:

$$(\Lambda^{\bullet}A_m^*)^{hor} := \{ \alpha \in \Lambda^{\bullet}A_m^* \mid \iota_{\nu}\alpha = 0 \ \forall \nu \in \ker(\rho_m : A_m \to T_m M) \}$$

- The subspaces of  $\rho$ -basic forms:

 $\Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^{*})^{bas} = \{ \alpha \in \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^{*}) \mid \alpha_{m} \text{ and } (d_{A}\alpha)_{m} \text{ are horizontal for all } m \}$ 

- The basic cohomology of A as the quotient

$$\mathcal{H}^{\bullet}_{bas}(A) = \frac{\ker(d_A: \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*)^{bas} \to \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*)^{bas})}{\operatorname{Image}(d_A: \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*)^{bas} \to \Gamma(\Lambda^{\bullet}A^*)^{bas})}$$

# Basic forms - fun facts

#### Lemma

Let A be an algebroid,  $N \subset M$  a leaf of A and  $\eta \in \Gamma((\Lambda^k A^*)^{hor})$  a  $\rho$ -horizontal form.

- $\eta|_N$  is a horizontal k-form on the restricted Lie algebroid  $A|_N \to N$ , i.e. it induces a unique k-form  $\eta_N \in \Omega^k(N)$ .
- $\eta$  is completely determined by the collection  $\{\eta_N \mid N \text{ leaf of } A\}.$
- When  $\eta$  is basic, we have  $(d_A \eta)_N = d\eta_N$ .
- Let  $[\eta] = 0 \in \mathcal{H}_{bas}^k(A)$ , then  $[\eta_N] = 0 \in H_{dR}^k(N)$  for all leaves N of the algebroid A.

Season 2, Episode 2: Variational approach

#### The natural basic two-cocycle of a Dirac structure

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be a Dirac structure. We define  $\omega_D \in \Gamma(\Lambda^2 D^*)$  by

$$\omega_D((\mathbf{v},\alpha),(\mathbf{w},\beta)) = \alpha(\mathbf{w}) - \beta(\mathbf{v}).$$

Since D is isotropic,  $\omega_D((v, \alpha), (w, \beta)) = 2\alpha(w) = -2\beta(v)$ , i.e.  $\omega_D$  is horizontal.

Since *D* is involutive  $\omega_D$  is closed in Dirac cohomology, i.e.  $d_D\omega_D = 0$ , and hence  $\omega_D$  is basic. It thus yields a natural class in  $\mathcal{H}^2_{bas}(D)$ . Hence, in view of Lemma on basic forms:

**Lemma** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be a Dirac structure.

- There is a naturally induced basic cocycle  $\omega_D \in \Gamma(\Lambda^2 D^*)^{bas}$  associated to any Dirac structure D.
- If  $[\omega_D] = 0 \in \mathcal{H}^2_{bas}(D)$ , then for any leaf N of D,  $[(\omega_D)_N] = 0 \in H^2_{dR}(N)$ .

#### Dirac paths

**Theorem 1.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be a Dirac structure over M,  $H \in C^{\infty}(M)$  be a Hamiltonian function and  $\gamma$  a path on M.

Assume that the basic 2-class  $[\omega_D]$  vanishes, and let  $\theta \in \Gamma(D^*)^{hor}$  be such that  $d_D \theta = \omega_D$ , then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) The path  $\gamma$  is a Hamiltonian curve, i.e.  $(\dot{\gamma}(t), dH_{\gamma(t)}) \in D$  for all t.
- (ii) All Dirac paths  $\zeta : I \to D$  over  $\gamma$  (i.e.  $\rho(\zeta) = \dot{\gamma}$ ) are critical points among the Dirac paths with the same end points of the following functional:

$$\zeta \mapsto \int_{I} \left( \theta_{\gamma(t)}(\zeta(t)) + H(\gamma(t)) \right) dt \tag{1}$$

# Inspiration from Tulczyjew's business

**Definition.** Let  $L: TQ \to \mathbb{R}$  a (possibly degenerate) Lagrangian.

- a) Tulczyjew's differential map  $u \mapsto \mathcal{D}_u L := \kappa(d_u L)$ , where  $\kappa : T^*TQ \to T^*T^*Q$  is the Tulczyjew isomorphism. Its image is a submanifold of  $T^*T^*Q$ .
- b) Legendre map from TQ to  $T^*Q$ :  $\mathbb{F}L(v)$  for every  $v \in T_qQ$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\Big|_{t=0}L(v+tw)=\langle \mathbb{F}L(v),w\rangle$$

- c) We denote by  $\mathfrak{Leg} = \mathbb{F}L(TQ) \subset T^*Q$  the image of  $\mathbb{F}L$ .
- d) We call partial vector fields on  $\mathfrak{Leg}$  sections<sup>1</sup> of  $\Gamma(TT^*Q)|_{\mathfrak{Leg}}$ .
- c) An integral curve of a partial vector field X on  $\mathfrak{Leg}$  is a path  $t \mapsto u_t \in TQ$  such that  $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\mathbb{F}L(u_t) = X_{\mathbb{F}L(u_t)}$ .
- d) An implicit Lagrangian system for an almost Dirac structure  $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{T}T^*Q$  is a pair (X, L), with X a partially defined vector field on  $\mathfrak{Leg}$ , such that  $(X(\mathbb{F}L(u)), \mathcal{D}_u L) \in \mathbb{D}$  for all u in TQ.

<sup>1</sup>For *E* a vector bundle over a manifold *X* and *Y*  $\subset$  *X* an arbitrary subset (not necessarily a manifold), we denote by  $\Gamma(E)|_Y$  restrictions to *Y* of smooth sections of *E* in a neighborhood of *Y* in *X*.

#### Operations with Dirac structures

**Definition** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be a subbundle.

- For all  $\phi \colon M' \to M$ , we denote by  $\phi^! D$  the set

$$\phi^! D_{m'} := \Big\{ (X, \phi^* eta) ext{ with } X \in T_{m'} M', eta \in T^*_{\phi(m')} M | (\phi_*(X), eta) \in D_{\phi(m')} \Big\}$$

When D is an (almost-)Dirac structure call  $\phi^! D$  the pullback of D.

- Let  $\omega$  be a 2-form  $\omega \in \Omega^2(M)$ , we denote by  $e^\omega D$  the set

$$e^{\omega}D = \{(\mathbf{v}, eta + \iota_{\mathbf{v}}\omega) \mid (\mathbf{v}, eta) \in D\}$$

and call it the gauge transform of D.

**Lemma** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be a Dirac structure and M' be a manifold.

- For any smooth map  $\phi: M' \to M, \phi^! D$  is a Dirac structure on M'.
- For any closed 2-form  $\omega \in \Omega^2(M)$ ,  $e^{\omega}D$  is a Dirac structure on M.

# Implicit Lagrangian systems with magnetic terms

Given  $D \subset \mathbb{T}Q$  a Dirac structure on Q, consider (*i*) its pull back  $\pi^! D$  on  $T^*Q$  through the canonical base map  $\pi \colon T^*Q \to Q$ , then (*ii*) the gauge transformation  $e^{\Omega}\pi^!D$  of this pull-back with respect to the canonical symplectic 2-form  $\Omega$ .

**Definition** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}Q$  be a Dirac structure on Q. We call constrained magnetic Lagrangian system an implicit Lagrangian system for the Dirac structure  $\mathbb{D} = e^{\Omega} \pi^! D \subset \mathbb{T}T^*Q$  as above.

#### Implicit Lagrangian systems with magnetic terms

**Theorem 2.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}Q$  be a Dirac structure and  $L: TQ \to \mathbb{R}$  a Lagrangian. Assume that the 2-form  $\omega_D \in \Gamma(\Lambda^2 D^*)^{hor}$  admits a basic primitive  $\theta \in \Gamma(D^*)^{hor}$ . Then for  $q: I \to Q$  the following are equivalent:

a) There exists a Dirac path  $\zeta: I \to D$  such that  $\rho(\zeta) = \dot{q}$  which is the critical point among Dirac paths with the same end points of

$$\int_{I} (L(\rho(\zeta(t))) + \theta(\zeta(t))) dt.$$
(2)

b) For all  $t \in I$ , the following condition holds.

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\mathbb{F}L(\dot{q}(t)),\mathcal{D}_{\dot{q}(t)}L\right)\in\mathbb{D}=e^{\Omega}\pi^{!}D.$$
(3)

Season 2, Episode 3: Applications and examples

#### Example (Classical symplectic magnetic terms)

Let Q be any manifold,  $\omega \in \Omega^2_{cl}(Q)$  and  $D = \Gamma_{\omega} \subset \mathbb{T}Q$ . Let  $L: TQ \to \mathbb{R}$  be a Lagrangian. Then  $e^{\Omega}\pi^! D = \Gamma_{\Omega + \pi^*\omega} \subset \mathbb{T}T^*Q$ .

As  $\mathcal{H}^{\bullet}_{basic}(D) = \mathcal{H}^{\bullet}_{dR}(M)$ , the 2-form on D admits a basic potential if and only if  $\omega$  is de-Rham exact, i.e.  $\omega = d\theta$ ,  $\theta \in \Omega^1(Q)$ .

Assume that the Legendre transform  $\mathbb{F}L : TQ \to T^*Q$  is bijective, and denote the Legendre transfrom of the Lagrangian by H, i.e.

$$H(p) = \langle p, (\mathbb{F}L)^{-1}p \rangle - L \circ (\mathbb{F}L)^{-1}(p)$$

In this case  $\mathcal{D}L$  is simply dH. Theorem 2 yields that the critical points of  $L(q, \dot{q}) + \theta(\dot{q})$  correspond under the Legendre transform to integral curves of the Hamiltonian flow of H for the symplectic structure  $\Omega + \pi^* \omega$ .

Hence (X, dH) is an implicit Lagrangian system with respect to  $e^{\Omega}\pi^!D$  if and only if the vector field X is the Hamiltonian vector field of H with respect to  $\Omega + \pi^*\omega$ .

#### Example (Holonomic constraints)

Let  $F \subset TQ$  be a regular foliation, and  $F^{\circ} \subset T^*Q$  its annihilator. The Dirac structure  $D = F \oplus F^{\circ}$  always admits a basic potential, as the 2-form in  $\Lambda^2 D^*$  is zero (there is no magnetic term). Then  $\pi^! D$  is the Dirac structure associated to the pullback foliation  $\pi^{-1}(F)$  and

$$e^{\Omega}\pi^!D = \{(w,\alpha) \in TT^*Q \oplus T^*T^*Q \mid \pi_*(w) \in F, \alpha - \Omega^{\flat}w \in \pi^{-1}(F)^{\circ}\}$$

Let  $L: TQ \to \mathbb{R}$  be a Lagrangian. Then Theorem 2 yields that the integral curves of any implicit Lagrangian system  $(X, \mathcal{D}L)$  for  $e^{\Omega}\pi^!D$  are critical points of L among curves that are tangent to F. The condition (3) (belonging to  $\mathbb{D}$ ) translates directly to the Euler-Lagrange equations for a system subject to holonomic constraints, which are classically spelled-out using the Lagrange multipliers.

### Instead of conclusion: work in progress

Poisson.

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{T}M$  be the graph of a Poisson structure  $\pi$ . Then the Lie algebroid D is isomorphic to  $T^*M$  and  $H^{\bullet}(D) \cong H^{\bullet}_{\pi}(M)$  is known as the Poisson cohomology. The class of  $\omega_D$  in  $H^{\bullet}(D)$  corresponds to the class of  $\pi$  in  $H^2_{\pi}(M)$ . The class of  $\omega$  in the finer cohomology  $\mathcal{H}^{\bullet}_{bas}(D)$  is zero if and only if  $\pi \in \mathfrak{X}^2(M)$  admits a primitive  $E \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  (a vector field E satisfying  $L_E \pi = \pi$ ), which is tangent to the Poisson structure, i.e. is a section of  $\rho(D) \subset TM$ . Question: reformulate the Theorem 2.

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Other Dirac structure. Pick your favourite one.

#### Generalizations.

- Interpret obstructions
- Almost Dirac?  $\rightarrow$  "almost classes"

Discretization and numerics - very long story

# Merci pour votre attention!

