



# DIRAC ALGEBROIDS IN ACTION

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# DIRAC STRUCTURE

$N$  - a manifold

$TN, T^*N$  - tangent and cotangent bundles

$T^*N \oplus TN$  - generalized tangent bundle, Pontryagin bundle...

$(\cdot | \cdot)$  - symmetric pairing:

$$(\alpha_1 + X_1 | \alpha_2 + X_2) = \frac{1}{2} (\langle \alpha_1, X_2 \rangle + \langle \alpha_2, X_1 \rangle)$$

$$\alpha_i + X_i \in T^*N \oplus_N TN$$

$[\cdot, \cdot]$  - Courant-Dorfman bracket on  $\text{Sec}(TN \oplus_N T^*N)$

$$[\alpha_1 + X_1, \alpha_2 + X_2] = [X_1, X_2] + \mathcal{L}_{X_1} \alpha_2 - i_{X_2} d\alpha_1$$

An almost Dirac structure on  $N$  is a subbundle  $\mathcal{D} \subset T^*N \oplus_N TN$  maximally isotropic with respect to  $(\cdot | \cdot)$ . An almost Dirac structure is Dirac when  $\text{Sec}(\mathcal{D})$  is closed with respect to  $[\cdot, \cdot]$ .

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### CANONICAL EXAMPLES:

$\Lambda$  - a bivector on  $N$

$$T^*N \xrightarrow{\tilde{\Lambda}} TN$$

$$\mathcal{D}_\Lambda = \text{graph}(\tilde{\Lambda})$$

$\mathcal{D}_\Lambda$  is an almost Dirac structure

$\mathcal{D}_\Lambda$  is a Dirac structure

if  $\Lambda$  is a Poisson bivector

$\tilde{\omega}$  - a two-form on  $N$

$$T^*N \xleftarrow{\tilde{\omega}} TN$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{\tilde{\omega}} = \text{graph}(\tilde{\omega})$$

$\mathcal{D}_{\tilde{\omega}}$  is an almost Dirac structure

$\mathcal{D}_{\tilde{\omega}}$  is a Dirac structure

if  $\tilde{\omega}$  is a presymplectic form

$\Delta$  - a distribution on  $N$

$$\mathcal{D}_\Delta = \Delta^\circ + \Delta$$

$\mathcal{D}_\Delta$  is an almost Dirac structure.

$\mathcal{D}_\Delta$  is a Dirac structure

if  $\Delta$  is integrable

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## DIRAC STRUCTURES

Geometric structures used to derive phase equations from Hamiltonian or Lagrangian can be considered within Dirac structure frameworks  
 symplectic, Poisson, algebroid...

## RELATIONS

In some problems of differential geometry relations are used in place of maps

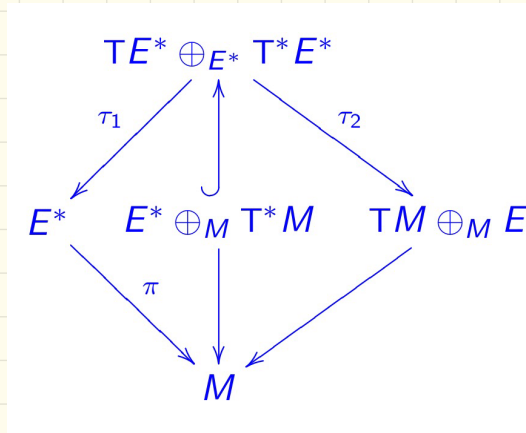
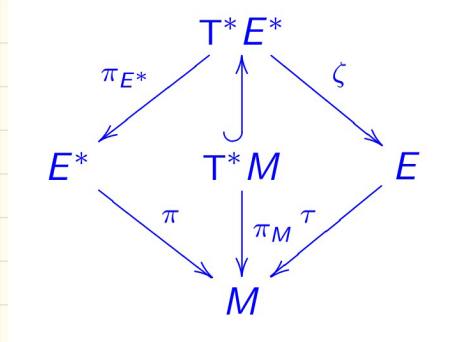
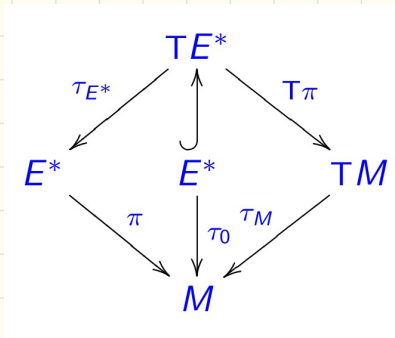
symplectic reductions, constrained systems  
 implicit differential equations...

## LINEARITY

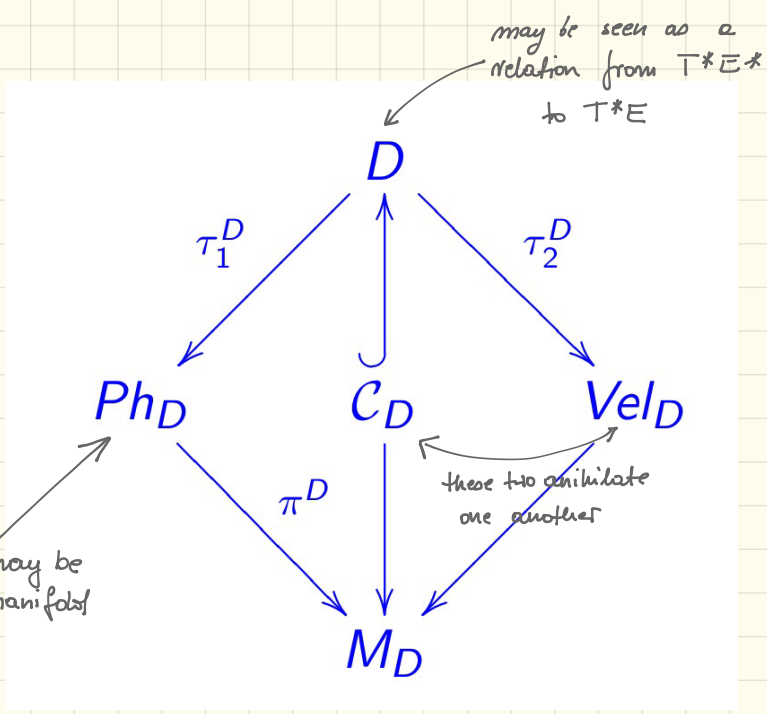
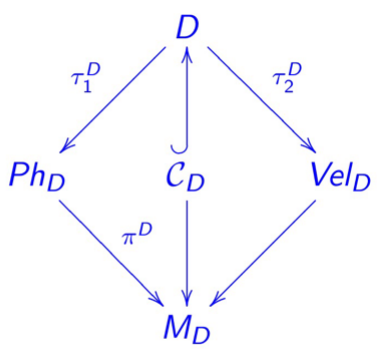
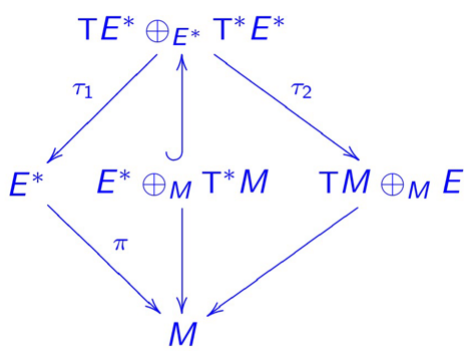
Most structures used in geometric mechanics are linear. Linearity is best expressed in the language of double vector bundles.

DIRAC ALGEBROIDS IN MECHANICS

$E \xrightarrow{\tau} M$  vector bundle,  $E^* \xrightarrow{\tau^*} M$  dual vector bundle

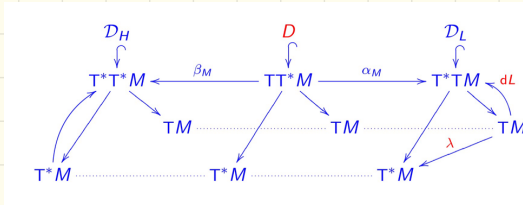


**Dirac algebroid** is a linear almost Dirac structure on  $E^*$  which means that it is maximally isotropic double vector subbundle of the double vector bundle  $TE^* \oplus_{E^*} TE^*$ .

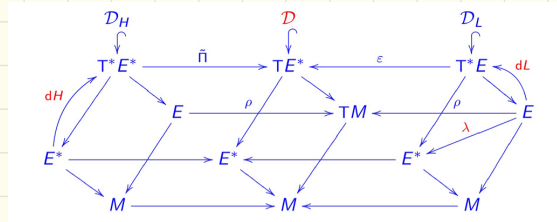


In mechanics Dirac algebroid replaces algebroid structure, symplectic structure  
Tulczyj's map in generating phase equations from  $\mathcal{L}$  or  $\mathcal{H}$ .

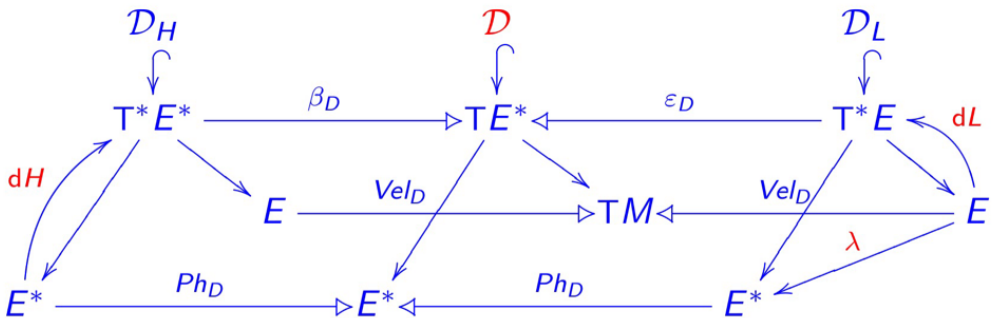
## SYMPLECTIC SETTING



## ALGEBROID SETTING

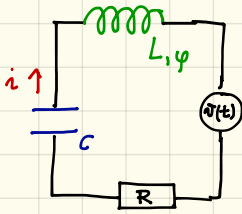


## DIRAC ALGEBROID SETTING



# EXAMPLE: LC circuit (or RLC) (A. van der Schaft)

Let us start with the simplest case where no Dirac structure is needed:



In the literature we find that

$$L\ddot{Q} + R\dot{Q} + \frac{1}{C}Q = v(t)$$

$$M = \mathbb{R} \ni Q, \quad TM = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \ni (Q, i)$$

charge current

$$T^*M = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^* \ni (Q, \varphi)$$

magnetic flux

1) No voltage source and resistance

$$T^*T^*M \xleftarrow{\beta_M} TT^*M \xrightarrow{\alpha_M} T^*TM$$

$$(Q, \varphi, -\dot{\varphi}, \dot{Q}) \longleftarrow (Q, \varphi, \dot{Q}, \dot{\varphi}) \longrightarrow (Q, \underset{i}{\dot{Q}}, \dot{\varphi}, \varphi)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(Q, \varphi) = \frac{\varphi^2}{2L} + \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$

$$d\mathcal{H} = \frac{\varphi}{L} d\varphi + \frac{Q}{C} dQ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\varphi} &= -\frac{Q}{C} \\ \dot{Q} &= i = \frac{\varphi}{L} \\ \varphi &= Li \end{aligned}$$

$$L\ddot{Q} + \frac{Q}{C} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}(Q, i) = \frac{Li^2}{2} - \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$

$$d\mathcal{L} = -\frac{Q}{C} dQ + Li di$$

$$\varphi = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i} = Li$$

2) With voltage source

Voltage source is like an external force in mechanics. It is an element of  $T^*M \cong (Q, \sigma)$ . In the middle of the triple we have  $T T^*M \times_H T^*M$

### EXTERNAL FORCES IN MECHANICS

$$\begin{array}{l}
 p_i f^i \in T^*M \\
 \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\
 \text{momentum} \quad \quad \quad \text{force} \\
 f_p^v \in T_p T^*M \quad f_p^v = \frac{d}{dt} (p + t f) \\
 \tilde{\alpha}_H(\dot{p}, f) = \alpha_H(\dot{p} - f^v)
 \end{array}$$

$$(Q, \sigma) \in T^*M,$$

$$(Q, \varphi, \dot{Q}, \dot{\varphi}) - (Q, \sigma)_{(Q, \varphi)}^v = (Q, \varphi, \dot{Q}, \dot{\varphi} - \sigma)$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \dot{Q} = \dot{i} = \frac{\varphi}{L} \\
 \varphi = Li \\
 \dot{\varphi} - \sigma = -\frac{Q}{C}
 \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{\alpha} : T T^*M \times_H T^*M \rightarrow L\ddot{Q} + \frac{Q}{C} = v$$

3) With resistance

Resistance produces dissipation of energy. Instead of Lagrangian and Hamiltonian and their differentials we have non-closed one forms:

$$d\mathcal{L} \rightsquigarrow d\mathcal{L} - R i dQ = L i d\dot{i} - \left(\frac{Q}{C} + R i\right) dQ$$

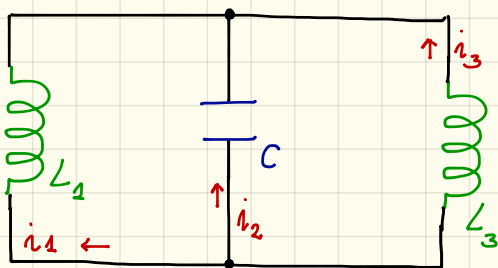
$$d\mathcal{H} \rightsquigarrow d\mathcal{H} + R i dQ = \frac{\varphi}{L} d\varphi + \left(\frac{Q}{C} + R \frac{\varphi}{L}\right) dQ$$

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{i} = \frac{\varphi}{L}$$

$$\dot{\varphi} - \sigma = -\left(\frac{Q}{C} + R \frac{\varphi}{L}\right)$$

$$L\ddot{Q} + R\dot{Q} + \frac{Q}{C} = v$$

The advantage of this toy model is that we can connect RLC circuits in different ways producing constraints and singular lagrangians. Then we have to replace  $\alpha_{H_1, \beta_{H_1}}$  with the appropriate Dirac structure.



$$M = \mathbb{R}^3 \ni (Q^1, Q^2, Q^3)$$

$$TM = \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \ni (Q^i, i^i)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(Q^i, i^i) = \frac{L_1 (i^1)^2}{2} + \frac{L_2 (i^2)^2}{2} - \frac{(Q^2)^2}{2C}$$

$$\Delta: i^1 + i^2 + i^3 = 0$$

constraints of  
nonholonomic type

lagrangian does not depend  
on  $Q^1, Q^3$  (reduction) and  
 $i^2$  (singularity).

First we reduce the whole problem with respect to  $Q^1, Q^3$ . Instead of lagrangian system on the tangent bundle  $TM$  we get the lagrangian system on algebroid

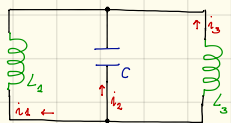
$$E \xrightarrow{\tau} N$$

$N \times V = \mathbb{R} \times (\mathbb{R}^3)$        $\mathbb{R} \ni Q = Q^2$

$$(Q, i^1, i^2, i^3)$$

$$E^* = N \times V^* \ni (Q, \psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_3)$$

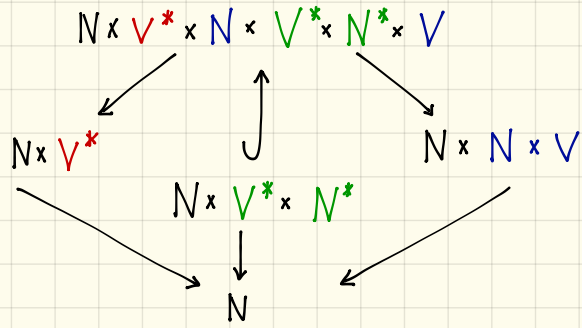
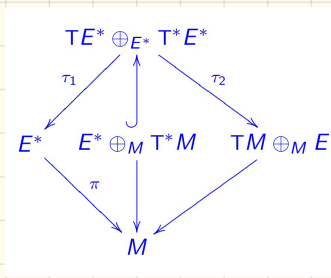
Initial (without constraints) Dirac structure is associated to the algebroid structure on  $E \rightarrow N$



$$E = N \times V, E^* = N^* \times V^*$$

$$T^* E = N \times V \times N^* \times V^*$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} T E^* &= N \times V^* \times N \times V^* \\ T^* E^* &= N \times V^* \times N^* \times V \end{aligned} \right.$$



$$(Q, \psi_A, \dot{Q}, \dot{\psi}_A, a, i^A)$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ (Q, \psi_A, \dot{Q} = i^2, \dot{\psi}_1 = 0, \dot{\psi}_2 = -a, \dot{\psi}_3 = 0, a, i^1) \}$$

$$Ph_D = N \times V^*$$

$$C_D = \{ (Q, 0, -a, 0, a) \}$$

$$Vel_D = \{ (Q, i^2, i^1) \}$$



$$D = \left\{ (Q, \varphi_A, \dot{Q} = i^2, \dot{\varphi}_1 = 0, \dot{\varphi}_2 = -a, \dot{\varphi}_3 = 0, a, i^1) \right\}$$

$$Ph_D = N \times V^*$$

$$C_D = \{(Q, 0, -a, 0, a)\}$$

$$Vel_D = \{(Q, i^2, i^1)\}$$

Now we translate it into relations that appear in the triple :

$$N \times V^* \times N^* \times V \longrightarrow N \times V^* \times N \times V^* \longleftarrow N \times V \times N^* \times V^*$$

$$(Q, \varphi_A, a, i^1) \longmapsto (Q, \varphi_A, i^2, 0, -a, 0) \longleftarrow (Q, i^1, -a, \varphi_A)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(Q, i^1) = \frac{L_1(i^1)^2}{2} + \frac{L_3(i^3)^2}{2} - \frac{Q}{2C}$$

$$\varphi_1 = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i^1} = L_1 i^1$$

$$\varphi_2 = 0$$

$$\varphi_3 = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i^3} = L_3 i^3$$

On the Hamiltonian side we get

$$S_{\#} \subset T^*E^* \quad S_{\#} = \left\{ (Q, \varphi_1, 0, \varphi_2, \frac{Q}{C}, \frac{\varphi_1}{L_1}, i^2, \frac{\varphi_3}{L_3}) \right\}$$

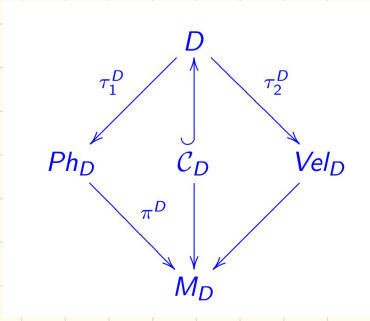
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arbitrary

Submanifold  $S_{\#}$  is generated by  $H(Q, \varphi_1, \varphi_3) = \frac{Q^2}{2C} + \frac{\varphi_1^2}{2L_1} + \frac{\varphi_3^2}{2L_3}$

defined on  $C \subset N \times V^*$

$$C = \{(Q, \varphi_1, 0, \varphi_3)\}$$

Time to add constraints. There is a recipe how to modify the given Dirac structure with respect to constraints of nonholonomic type.

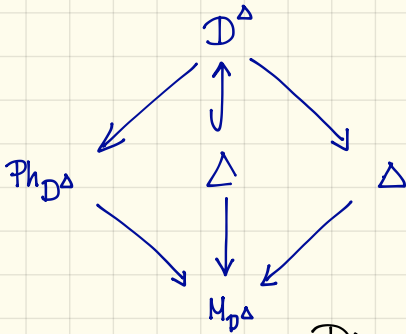


$$\Delta \subset \text{Vel}_D$$

$$\tilde{\Delta} = (\tau_2^D)^{-1}(\Delta) \subset D$$

$$E^* \oplus T^*M \supset \Delta^\circ \supset C_D$$

$$D^\Delta = \tilde{\Delta} + \Delta^\circ$$



Dirac algebroid  $D^\Delta$  is called *induced* from  $D$  by the constraints  $\Delta$ .

We apply the recipe to our example (Linear Algebra, semester I) 14

$$\Delta \subset \text{Vel}_D = \{(Q, \dot{z}^1, \dot{z}^2)\} : \dot{z}^1 + \dot{z}^2 + \dot{z}^3 = 0$$

It is convenient to change basis in  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ . Instead of canonical basis and canonical coordinates we will use  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and coordinates  $(j^A)$  i.e.

$$\dot{z}^1 = -\dot{j}^1$$

$$\dot{z}^2 = \dot{j}^1 + \dot{j}^2 + \dot{j}^3 \quad \text{constraint condition: } \dot{z}^1 + \dot{z}^2 + \dot{z}^3 = 0 = \dot{j}^3$$

$$\dot{z}^3 = -\dot{j}^2$$

$$N \times N \times V \supset \Delta = \{(Q, \dot{j}^1 + \dot{j}^2, \dot{j}^1, \dot{j}^2, 0)\}$$

$G_D \subset \Delta^0 \subset N \times V^* \times N^*$   $\Delta^0$  in new (dual) coordinates  $\psi_A$  in  $V^*$  reads

$$\Delta^0 = \{(Q, -a, -a, \psi_3, a)\}$$

arbitrary

$$N \times V^* \times N \times V^* \times N^* \times V$$

$$(Q, \psi_A, \dot{Q}, \dot{\psi}_A, a, \dot{j}^A)$$

$$D^\Delta = \{(Q, \psi_A, \dot{j}^1 + \dot{j}^2, -a, -a, \dot{\psi}_3, a, \dot{j}^1, \dot{j}^2, 0)\}$$

What to do now? Translate it into relations and check what equations we get.

$$N \times V^* \times N^* \times V \longrightarrow N \times V^* \times N \times V^* \longleftarrow N \times V \times N^* \times V^*$$

$$(Q, \psi_A, a, j^1, j^2, 0) \longrightarrow (Q, \psi_A, j^1, j^2, -a, \psi_3) \longleftarrow (Q, j^1, j^2, 0, -a, \psi_A)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(Q, j^A) = \frac{L_1 (j^1)^2}{2} + \frac{L_2 (j^2)^2}{2} - \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$

$$a = \frac{Q}{C}$$

$$\psi_1 = L_1 j^1$$

$$\psi_2 = L_2 j^2$$

$$\psi_3 = 0$$

←

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{Q} = j^1 j^2 = \frac{\psi_1}{L_1} + \frac{\psi_2}{L_2} \\ \dot{\psi}^1 = \frac{Q}{C} \\ \dot{\psi}^2 = \frac{Q}{C} \\ \psi_3 = 0 \quad \dot{\psi}_3 \text{ arbitrary} \end{array} \right.$$

Back to old variables

$$\varphi_1 = \psi_3 - \psi_1 \quad \varphi_2 = \psi_3 \quad \varphi_3 = \psi_3 - \psi_2$$

$$\varphi_2 = 0$$

$$\dot{Q} = -\frac{\varphi_1}{L_1} - \frac{\varphi_3}{L_3} + \frac{\varphi_2}{L_1} + \frac{\varphi_2}{L_3}$$

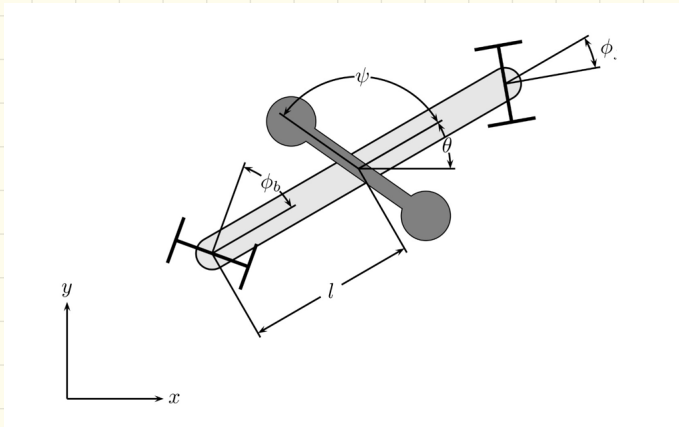
$$\dot{\varphi}_1 = -\frac{Q}{C} + \frac{\dot{\varphi}_2}{L_2}$$

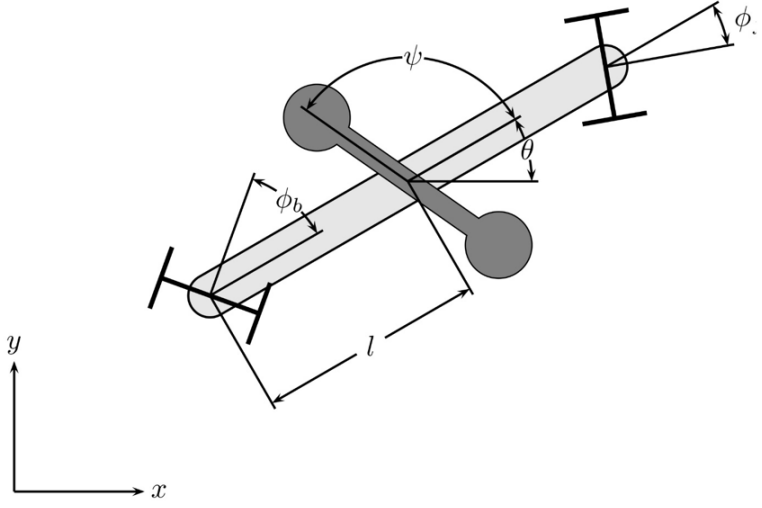
$$\dot{\varphi}_3 = -\frac{Q}{C} + \frac{\dot{\varphi}_2}{L_2}$$

integrability conditions

EXAMPLE *mechanical nonholonomic systems.*

The system that I would like to present





$$M = SE(2) \times S^1 \times S^1 \times S^1$$

$x, y, \vartheta$        $\psi$        $\varphi_f$        $\varphi_b$   
 ↑                      ↑                      ↑                      ↑  
 position of the board      rider                      front and back wheels

The constraint distribution is given as the kernel of the following forms:

$$\omega^1 = -\sin(\phi_b + \theta)dx + \cos(\phi_b + \theta)dy - l \cos(\phi_b)d\theta$$

$$\omega^2 = -\sin(\phi_f + \theta)dx + \cos(\phi_f + \theta)dy + l \cos(\phi_f)d\theta$$

**Nonholonomic mechanics and locomotion: the Snakeboard example**

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## Example that I will present

$$N = \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1 \times S^1$$

$x, y$     $\varphi$     $\vartheta$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = R \dot{\vartheta} \cos \varphi & \text{constraint} \\ \dot{y} = R \dot{\vartheta} \sin \varphi & \text{distribution} \end{cases}$$

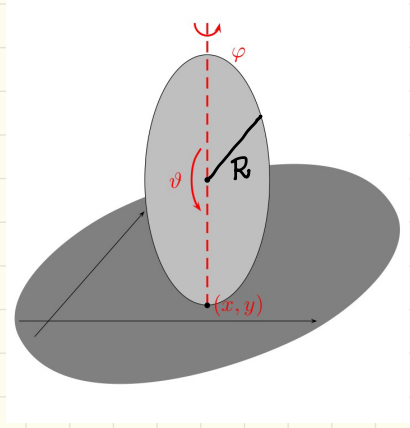
$$L(\dots) = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) + \frac{J_1}{2} \dot{\vartheta}^2 + \frac{J_2}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2$$

$L$  does not depend on positions, but constraints depend on  $\varphi$  therefore we reduce with respect to  $x, y, \vartheta$  and get

$$E = T S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \ni (\varphi, \dot{\varphi}, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{\vartheta})$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$M = S^1 \ni \dot{\varphi}$$



For the purpose of calculation it is again convenient to change coordinates (basis)

$$\partial_{\varphi}, \partial_{\dot{\varphi}}, \partial_x, \partial_y \rightsquigarrow \begin{aligned} e_1 &= \partial_{\dot{\varphi}} & e_2 &= \partial_{\vartheta} + R \cos \varphi \partial_x + R \sin \varphi \partial_y \\ e_3 &= \partial_x & e_4 &= \partial_y \end{aligned}$$

$$(\dot{\varphi}, \dot{\vartheta}, \dot{x}, \dot{y}) \rightsquigarrow y^1, y^2, y^3, y^4$$

$[e_1, e_2] = -R \cos \varphi e_3 - R \sin \varphi e_4$

constraint distribution is spanned by  $e_1, e_2$ .

$$E = TS^1 \times \mathbb{R}^3$$

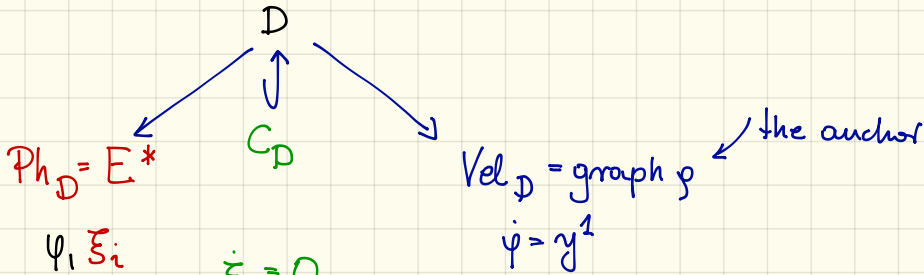
$$\downarrow$$

$$M = S^1$$

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$$D \subset TE^* \oplus_{E^*} T^*E^*$$

$$(\psi, \xi_i, \dot{\psi}, \dot{\xi}_k, p, \gamma^k)$$



$$\dot{\xi}_3 = 0$$

$$\dot{\xi}_4 = 0$$

$$\dot{\xi}_1 = \gamma^2 (\mathcal{R} \xi_3 \sin \varphi - \mathcal{R} \xi_4 \cos \varphi) - p$$

$$\dot{\xi}_2 = -\mathcal{R} \xi_3 \sin \varphi + \mathcal{R} \xi_4 \cos \varphi$$

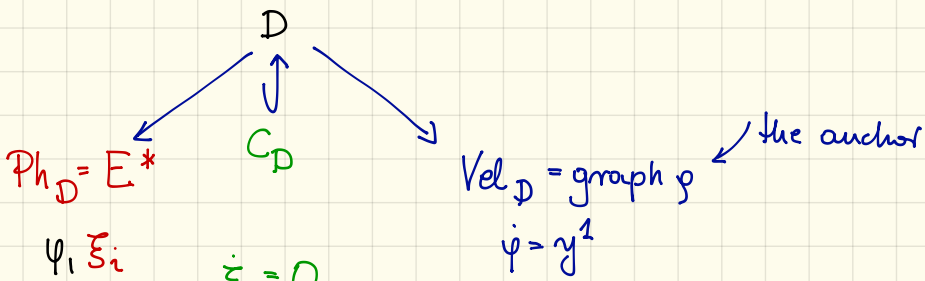
$$Vel_D \subset TM \oplus_M E$$

$$C_D \subset T^*M \oplus_M E^*$$

The constraint distribution  $W = \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle \subset E$  has to be transformed into the subset of  $Vel_D$

$$W = \{ \gamma^3 = 0 = \gamma^4 \} \quad \Delta \subset Vel_D = \{ (\psi, \dot{\psi} = \gamma^1, \gamma^1, \gamma^2, 0, 0) \}$$





$$\dot{\xi}_3 = 0$$

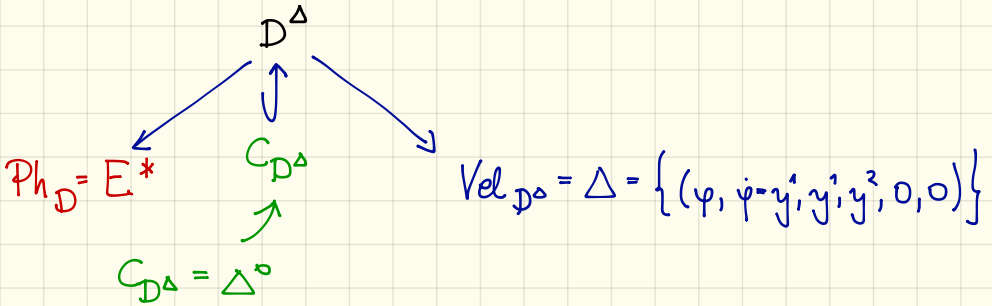
$$\dot{\xi}_4 = 0$$

$$\dot{\xi}_1 = \gamma^2 (R_{\xi_3} \sin \varphi - R_{\xi_4} \cos \varphi) - p$$

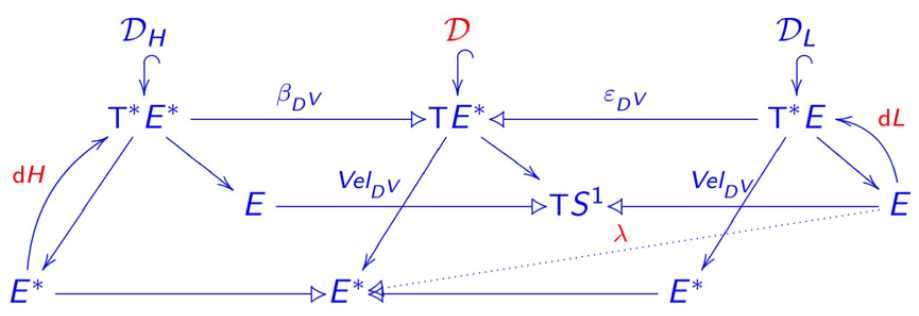
$$\dot{\xi}_2 = -R_{\xi_3} \sin \varphi + R_{\xi_4} \cos \varphi$$

$$\text{Vel}_D \subset T\mathcal{M} \oplus_{\mathbb{H}} E$$

$$C_D \subset T^*\mathcal{M} \oplus_{\mathbb{H}} E^*$$



$$\left\{ (\varphi, -\dot{\xi}_1, \dot{\xi}_1, \dot{\xi}_2 = 0, \underbrace{\dot{\xi}_3, \dot{\xi}_4}_{\text{arbitrary}}) \right\}$$



The dynamics  $\mathcal{D}$

$\{(\varphi, \xi_i, \dot{\varphi}, \dot{\xi}_j) :$

$$\xi_3 = \frac{mR}{mR^2 + J_2} \xi_2 \cos \varphi, \quad \dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{J_1} \xi_1,$$

$$\xi_4 = \frac{mR}{mR^2 + J_2} \xi_2 \sin \varphi, \quad \dot{\xi}_1 = \dot{\xi}_2 = 0, \quad \dot{\xi}_3, \dot{\xi}_4 \text{ arbitrary} \}.$$

integrability conditions...

$$\dot{\xi}_3 = \frac{mR}{mR^2 + J_2} (\dot{\xi}_2 - \sin \varphi \cdot \dot{\varphi})$$

$$\dot{\xi}_4 = \frac{mR}{mR^2 + J_2} (\dot{\xi}_2 + \cos \varphi \cdot \dot{\varphi})$$



**OBSERVATION** The equations we obtain using Dirac algebroids are usually implicit, there appear integrability questions.

Several procedures for extracting integrable part of an implicit equations are present in the literature. They are however of pure differential character ...

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