

From flat pencils to Frobenius manifolds

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and hyperplane arrangements

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§1 Local Hamiltonian structures

Dubrovin-Novikov Hamiltonian structures

$$F = \int_{S^1} f(u) dx, \quad G = \int_{S^1} g(u) dx \quad \text{local functionals (hydrodynamic)}$$

$u = (u^1, \dots, u^n)$

$$\{F, G\} = \int_{S^1} \frac{\delta F}{\delta u^i} \left[\underbrace{g^{ij} \frac{d}{dx} - g^{is} \Gamma_{sk}^{ij} u^k}_{A^{ij}} \right] \frac{\delta G}{\delta u^i} dx$$

Hamiltonian [assume $\det g^{ij} \neq 0$ throughout]

- g^{ij} - symmetric tensor - defines a (pseudo) Riemannian metric

- Γ - Levi-Civita connection of g

- $\text{Riem} = 0$

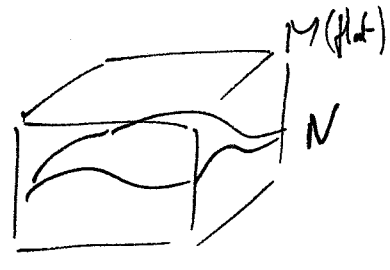
[so there exists a distinguished coordinate system - flat coordinates
in which $g^{ij} \sim \text{constants}$ (so $\Gamma = 0$)]

Construction to submanifold: Dirac reduction (Feynman)

$$A^{ij} \rightarrow A^{ij}$$

with induced connection

$$+ \underbrace{\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha q}^i u_{\alpha}^q (\nabla^{\perp})^{-1} w_{\alpha q}^j u_{\alpha}^q}_{\text{non-local tail}}$$



(g, Γ, w) satisfy: g, Γ - induced metric and connection on N
 w - Weingarten maps

$$\text{Riem} = ww - ww \quad [\text{Gauss-Codazzi eqns}]$$

when ∇^{\perp} is normal connection

Outline of talk

local

non-local

Duhovnik '98

bi-Hamiltonian structure of DN type

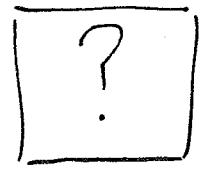
non-local bi-Hamiltonian structure of above type

extra conditions

mirror construction of Duhovnik

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Frobenius manifold



N.B. no flat metrics, so no distinguished coordinate systems to simplify calculations

Notation

Two non-local structures $(g, \nabla, R) \rightsquigarrow \{, \}$
 $(\tilde{g}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{R}) \rightsquigarrow \{, \}^{\sim}$

want $\{, \} + \lambda \{, \}^{\sim}$ to be Hamiltonian:

Define $\tilde{g}^{-1} = g^{-1} + \lambda \tilde{g}^{-1}$ (note g^{ij} appears in $\{, \}$, not g_{ij})

with associated ${}^{(2)}\nabla, {}^{(2)}R$.

Def: (Mokhov) - almost compatible iff: $\tilde{g}^{-1} {}^{(2)}\nabla_X \alpha = g^{-1} \nabla_X \alpha + \lambda \tilde{g}^{-1} \nabla_X \alpha$

- compatible iff, in addition

$$\tilde{g}^{-1} {}^{(2)}R_{X,Y} \alpha = g^{-1} R_{X,Y} \alpha + \lambda \tilde{g}^{-1} R_{X,Y} \alpha$$

$$\forall X, Y \in TM$$

$$\forall \alpha \in T^*M$$

$$\forall \lambda$$

Result: (Mokhov) • almost compatible $\Leftrightarrow N_A = 0$, Nijenhuis tensor on $A = \tilde{g}^{-1} g$

• semi-simple a.c. \Rightarrow c
(eigenvalues of A distinct)

From now on don't assume any special coordinate systems:
everything coordinate free.

§2 Multiplication on T^*M

Aside

Old idea [Vaisman '66]: define multiplication in terms of difference of two connections

$$X * Y = \nabla_X Y - \tilde{\nabla}_X Y$$

relate algebraic properties of $*$ with geometric properties of $(\nabla, \tilde{\nabla})$

- e.g. X commutative $\iff T^\nabla = T^{\tilde{\nabla}}$ (same torsion)
- X associative \iff curvature conditions.

Then the natural multiplication is on T^*M

Def. [Duhain] $\alpha \circ \beta = \nabla_{g^{-1}\alpha}(\beta) - \tilde{\nabla}_{\tilde{g}^{-1}\alpha}(\beta)$

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N.B. \tilde{g}^{-1} , not \tilde{g}

Th. a) $\tilde{g}^{-1}(\alpha \circ \beta, \gamma) = \tilde{g}^{-1}(\alpha, \beta \circ \gamma)$ always

b) if g, \tilde{g} almost compatible: $\tilde{g}^{-1}(\alpha \circ \beta, \gamma) = \tilde{g}^{-1}(\alpha, \beta \circ \gamma)$

c) if g, \tilde{g} compatible: $(\beta \circ \gamma) \circ \alpha = (\beta \circ \alpha) \circ \gamma$

Let $C_\alpha(\beta) = \beta \circ \alpha$:

c) if g, \tilde{g} compatible $\iff [C_\alpha, C_\beta] = 0$

(c.f. notation of a Higgs field).

§3 Homogeneity conditions

Without further conditions, $[C, C] = 0$ is all one gets.

Add weak homogeneity

— $E \in TM$ s.t.

$$\mathcal{L}_E g = (1-d)g$$

$$\mathcal{L}_E \tilde{g} = D\tilde{g}$$

Def: $T(u) = \left(\frac{d-1}{2}\right)u + u \hat{\nabla} E$ an

automorphism of T^*M s.t. $T(u) = g(E) \circ u$

[Difficult to motivate: In Frobenius manifold case, a natural operator (cf. isomonodromy problems)
Idea works still in curved situation]

with this extra structure:

Define $u \circ v = u \circ T^{-1}(v)$ and use \tilde{g} to define multiplication on TM

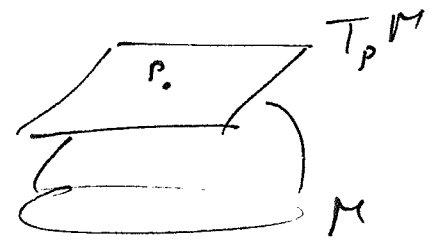
then

- a) • associative, commutative multiplication with unity $e = g(E)$

b) $\tilde{g}(X \circ Y, Z) = \tilde{g}(X, Y \circ Z)$

(3,0) tensor totally symmetric

$T_p M$ a Frobenius algebra



and

c) define (4,0) tensor $\tilde{\nabla}(\cdot)(X, Y, Z, V) = \tilde{g}(\nabla_X(\cdot)(Y, Z), V)$

then $\tilde{\nabla}(\cdot)(X, Y, Z, E) = \tilde{\nabla}(\cdot)(E, X, Y, Z)$

N.B. All known examples have:

(c') $\tilde{\nabla}(\cdot)$ totally symmetric (4,0) tensor

and hence, by a result of Hertling, get an F-manifold structure.

(N.B. no flatness conditions used).

To get further conditions (and so edging towards a Frobenius manifold)

homogeneity = weak homogeneity $+ \mathcal{L}_e \tilde{g}^{-1} = \tilde{g}^{-1}$
 $\mathcal{L}_e \tilde{g}^{-1} = 0$
 $[e, E] = e$

Then $\tilde{\nabla}e = 0, \mathcal{L}_E(\cdot) = \cdot$

Finally can impose $R = \tilde{R} = 0$ to recover Frobenius manifold

So? Many of the key features of a Frobenius manifold (ass, com. multiplication compatible with metric, symmetry etc) are independent of the notion of flatness - and hence locality of Hamiltonian structures. Such structures are coming from compatibility / w/ Hamiltonian structure not from flatness.

§4 Examples

Two classic ways to introduce curvature:
 → conformal curvature;
 → submanifold theory:

Basic example of Frobenius manifolds on abelian space [c.f. K. Saito '80]

$V = \mathbb{R}^N$, W - Coxeter group

Construct W -invariant objects: $g = \sum dz_i^2$ invariant metric
 $s_i(\underline{z})$ invariant polynomials

Chevalley Th: $\mathbb{C}^W[\underline{z}] = \mathbb{C}[s_i]$

Euler field $E = \sum_i z^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} = \frac{1}{h} \sum_i d^i s^i \frac{\partial}{\partial s^i}$

Define $e = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathcal{S}^z}$ [\mathcal{S}^z has maximal d^z]

(8)

Define $\mathcal{L} \circ g^{-1}$

Th: [K-Saito] • $\mathcal{L} \circ g^{-1}$ non-degenerate. Define $\tilde{g}^{-1} = \mathcal{L} \circ g^{-1}$.
• \tilde{g}^{-1} flat

So get a flat pencil $g^{-1} + \lambda \tilde{g}^{-1}$ and hence local bihamiltonian structure homogeneous str. \Rightarrow Frobenius manifold on: $V \otimes \mathbb{C} / \mathbb{W}$

[s^i not quite flat coordinates]

Conformal curvatures: Let $h = \Omega^2(t) g$
 $\tilde{h} = \Omega^2(t) \tilde{g}$

Th: • (h, \tilde{h}) compatible

• weak homogeneity $\Rightarrow \Omega = \Omega(t^n)$

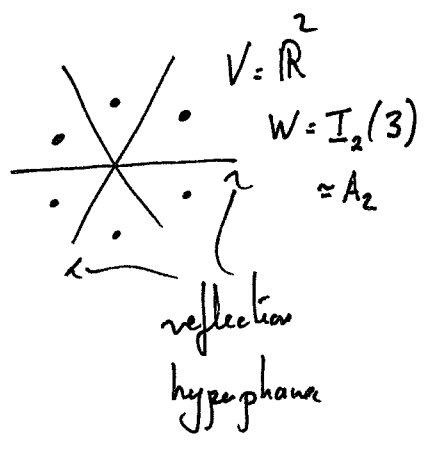
• $\Omega(t) = \frac{1}{ct+d}$: \tilde{h} - flat

h - constant sectional curvature $4cd$.

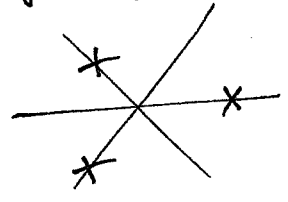
Thus get local / nonlocal Hamiltonian pair.

Submanifold Discriminant \mathcal{D} .

In general:



However, special points has a lower number of reflectors

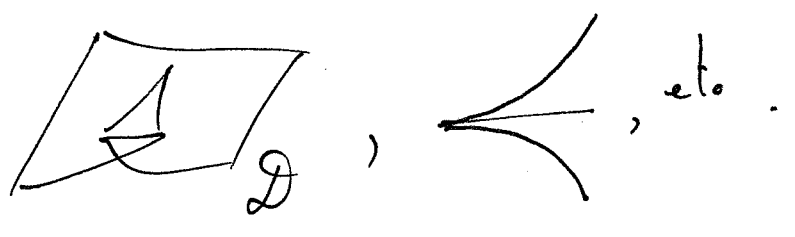


orbit irregular.

\mathcal{D} - manifold of irregular orbits: union of its reflection hyperplanes in V

In orbit space

$$V \otimes \mathbb{C} / W$$



Can restrict Frobenius manifold structure onto \mathcal{D} :

$g|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is flat [g restricts to a plane]

$\tilde{g}|_{\mathcal{D}}$ curved [c.f. above picture]

This gives a local / nonlocal bihamiltonian structure:

Since \mathcal{D} has flat normal connection $\nabla^\perp = d_x$.

Hyperplane arrangement of a discriminant configuration given by a set, finite, of vectors $\mathcal{H} = \{ \alpha^i \}$, where α^i are the normals to the reflection hyperplanes (all planes go through origin).

Geometrically: everything determined by a finite set of vectors.

Question What hyperplane arrangements (or whd. algebraic conditions on the set \mathcal{H}) give rise to a bihamiltonian structure?

Related question (Veselov): What algebraic conditions on the set \mathcal{H} are required so that the function $F = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{H}} (\alpha \cdot z)^2 \log(\alpha \cdot z)$ [c.f. almost dual Frobenius manifold]

defines a solution to its WDVV eqⁿs? The conditions are known as V-conditions.

Examples: $\mathcal{H} = R_W \leftarrow$ root system of a Coxeter group
 $\mathcal{H} =$ Discriminant arrangement.

How is the notion of a V-system related to bihamiltonian structures? if at all!

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