# Curved Yang-Mills gauge theories and their recent applications

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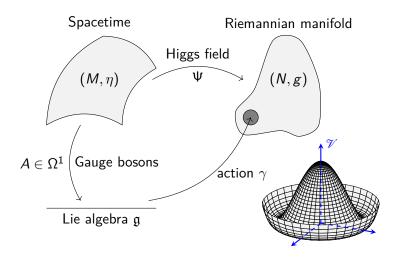
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## Infinitesimal Version

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## Guide: Infinitesimal curved Yang-Mills-Higgs gauge theory

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#### Remarks (Why a "curved theory"?)

Usually, the field strength F is given by (abelian, for simplicity)

$$F := \mathrm{d}A = \mathrm{d}^{\nabla^0}A.$$

 $\rightsquigarrow$  We will use a general connection  $\nabla$  instead of  $\nabla^0$ , and  $\nabla$  may not be flat.

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Let  $\lambda \in \Omega^1(N; E)$  such that  $\Lambda := \mathbb{1}_F - \lambda \circ \rho$  is an automorphism of E. We then define the **field redefinitions** by

$$\widetilde{A}^{\lambda} := (\Phi^* \Lambda)(A) + \Phi^! \lambda,$$
 (1)

$$\widetilde{\nabla}^{\lambda} := \nabla + \left( \Lambda \circ d^{\nabla^{\text{bas}}} \circ \Lambda^{-1} \right) \lambda, \tag{2}$$

$$\widetilde{\kappa}^{\lambda} := \kappa \circ (\Lambda^{-1}, \Lambda^{-1}),$$
(3)

$$\widetilde{g}^{\lambda} := g \circ (\widehat{\Lambda}^{-1}, \widehat{\Lambda}^{-1}),$$
(4)

where  $\widehat{\Lambda} := \mathbb{1}_{TN} - \rho \circ \lambda$ , and for all  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$  we also define

$$\widetilde{\zeta}^{\lambda}(\widehat{\Lambda}(X),\widehat{\Lambda}(Y))$$

$$:= \Lambda(\zeta(X,Y)) - \left(\mathrm{d}^{\widetilde{\nabla}^{\lambda}}\lambda\right)(X,Y) + t_{\widetilde{\nabla}^{\lambda}_{\rho}}(\lambda(X),\lambda(Y)). \tag{5}$$

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## Theorem (Invariant for LABs, [S.-R. F.])

We have

$$d^{\widetilde{\nabla}^{\lambda}}\widetilde{\zeta}^{\lambda} = d^{\nabla}\zeta, \tag{8}$$

and  $d^{\nabla}\zeta$  has values in the centre of g.

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### Example (Zero obstruction class not necessarily pre-classical)

Let P be the Hopf fibration

$$SU(2) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^7$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbb{S}^4$$

Then for the adjoint bundle

$$g := P \times_{\mathrm{SU}(2)} \mathfrak{su}(2) := \left(\mathbb{S}^7 \times \mathfrak{su}(2)\right) / \mathrm{SU}(2)$$

we have a non-flat  $\nabla$  satisfying the compatibility conditions such that all of its field redefinitions are not flat either, but  $\mathrm{Obs}(\Xi) = 0$ .

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#### We will only focus on Yang-Mills theories:

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Infinitesimal	Lie algebra 🏻	LAB <sup>1</sup> g
Integrated	Lie group <i>G</i>	LGB <sup>2</sup> 𝒯



 $<sup>^{1}</sup>LAB = Lie algebra bundle$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>LGB = Lie group bundle

# Definition (LGB actions, simplified)

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathscr{G} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathscr{P} \stackrel{\pi}{\longrightarrow} M \end{array}$$

 $\mathscr{P} \stackrel{\pi}{\to} M$  a fibre bundle. A **right-action of**  $\mathscr{G}$  **on**  $\mathscr{P}$  is a smooth map  $\mathscr{P} * \mathscr{G} := \pi^* \mathscr{G} = \mathscr{P} \times_M \mathscr{G} \to \mathscr{P}$ ,  $(p,g) \mapsto p \cdot g$ , satisfying the following properties:

$$\pi(p \cdot g) = \pi(p), \tag{11}$$

$$(p \cdot g) \cdot h = p \cdot (gh), \tag{12}$$

$$p \cdot e_{\pi(p)} = p \tag{13}$$

for all  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  and  $g, h \in \mathscr{G}_{\pi(p)}$ , where  $e_{\pi(p)}$  is the neutral element of  $\mathscr{G}_{\pi(p)}$ .

#### Definition (Principal bundle)

Still a fibre bundle

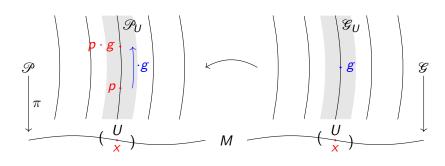
$$G \longrightarrow \mathscr{P}$$

$$\downarrow^{\pi}$$
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but with  $\mathscr{G}$ -action

simply transitive on fibres of  $\mathcal{P}$ , and "suitable" atlas.

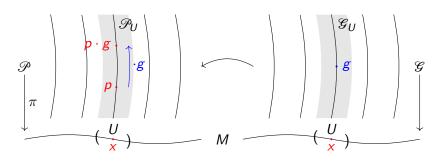
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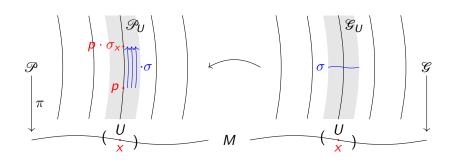
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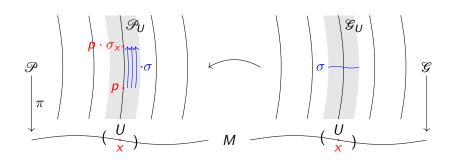
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#### Definition (Fundamental vector fields)

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$$\overline{\nu}_{p} := \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\Big|_{t=0} (p \cdot \mathrm{e}^{t\nu_{x}})$$

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for all  $\nu \in \Gamma(q)$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{x}$ , where q is the LAB of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

#### Definition (Darboux derivative)

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If  $\mathscr{G}$  a trivial LGB with canonical flat connection and if Lie group additionally a matrix group, then

$$\Delta \sigma = \sigma^{-1} d\sigma$$
.

#### Definition (Modified right-pushforward, [S.-R. F.])

Define

$$r_{g*}(X) := \mathrm{D}_p r_{\sigma}(X) - \left. \overline{(\pi^! \Delta \sigma)|_p(X)} \right|_{p \cdot g}$$

for all  $(p,g) \in \mathscr{P}_{x} \times \mathscr{G}_{x}$  and  $X \in T_{p}\mathscr{P}$ , where  $\sigma$  is any section of  $\mathscr{G}$  with  $\sigma_{x} = g$ .

#### Proposition (Well-defined isomorphism, [S.-R. F.])

We have that

$$T\mathscr{P}|_{\mathscr{P}_{x}} \to T\mathscr{P}|_{\mathscr{P}_{x}},$$
 $X \mapsto r_{\sigma*}(X),$ 

is a well-defined automorphism over  $r_g$ .

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# Definition (Equivalently: Connection 1-form, [S.-R. F.])

 $A \in \Omega^1(\mathscr{P}; \pi^*_{\mathscr{Q}})$  with

$$A(\overline{\nu}) = \pi^* \nu,$$
  
$$r_{\sigma}^! A = \mathrm{Ad}_{\sigma^{-1}} \circ A$$

for all  $\sigma \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G})$  and  $\nu \in \Gamma(\mathcal{Q})$ .

#### Remarks

$$\left(r_{\sigma}^{!}A\right)_{p}(X)=A_{p\sigma_{x}}\left(r_{\sigma_{x}*}(X)\right).$$

# Proposition (Connection on g, [S.-R. F.])

We have an induced vector bundle connection on g given by

$$\nabla^{\mathscr{G}}\nu := \left.\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\right|_{t=0} \Delta \mathrm{e}^{t\nu}.$$

#### Remarks

Recall,  $\mathscr{G}$  a principal  $\mathscr{G}$ -bundle.

#### Definition (Compatibility conditions, [S.-R. F.])

 $\mu_{\mathscr{C}}$  a Yang-Mills connection (w.r.t.  $\zeta \in \Omega^2(M; \mathscr{Q})$ ) if it satisfies the compatibility conditions:

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- **1**  $\mu_{\mathscr{C}}$  a connection 1-form on  $\mathscr{C} \stackrel{\pi_{\mathscr{C}}}{\to} M$ ;
- **2**  $\mu_{\mathscr{C}}$  satisfies the **generalised Maurer-Cartan equation**

$$\left. \left( \mathrm{d}^{\pi_{\mathscr{G}}^* \nabla^{\mathscr{G}}} \mu_{\mathscr{G}} + \frac{1}{2} [\mu_{\mathscr{G}} \stackrel{\wedge}{,} \mu_{\mathscr{G}}]_{\pi_{\mathscr{G}}^* \mathscr{G}} \right) \right|_{g} = \mathrm{Ad}_{g^{-1}} \circ \left. \pi_{\mathscr{G}}^! \zeta \right|_{g} - \left. \pi_{\mathscr{G}}^! \zeta \right|_{g}$$

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#### Theorem (Curvature of LAB connection exact, [S.-R. F.])

 $\mu_{\mathscr{C}}$  satisfies the generalized Maurer-Cartan equation w.r.t.  $\zeta$  if and only if

$$R_{\nabla^{\mathscr{G}}} = \mathrm{ad} \circ \zeta.$$

#### Both compatibility conditions are related to a cohomology, that is:

- $\bullet$   $\mu_g$  closed
- 2 Curvature of  $\mu_g$  exact with primitive  $\zeta$

Given a Yang-Mills connection on  $\mathcal{G}$ :

# Definition (Generalized curvature/field strength $\overline{F}$ of A, [S.-R. F.])

We define

$$F := \mathrm{d}^{\pi^* \nabla^{\mathscr{G}}} A + \frac{1}{2} [A \stackrel{\wedge}{,} A]_{\pi^* \mathscr{G}} + \pi^! \zeta.$$

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# Theorem (Gauge transformation, [S.-R. F.])

Let  $s_i$ ,  $s_i$  be two sections of  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $U_i$  and  $U_i$ , respectively, which are open subsets of M with  $U_i \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ . Then over  $U_i \cap U_i$ 

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$$F_{s_i} = \operatorname{Ad}_{\sigma_{ii}^{-1}} \circ F_{s_j},$$

where  $F_{s_i} := s_i^! F$  and  $\sigma_{ii}$  a section of  $\mathscr G$  with  $s_i = s_i \cdot \sigma_{ii}$ .

#### Theorem (Lagrangian, [S.-R. F.])

- $\kappa$  be an Ad-invariant fibre metric on q,
- M a spacetime, and \* its Hodge star operator,
- $\bullet$   $(U_i)_i$  open covering of M with subordinate gauges  $s_i \in \Gamma(\mathscr{P}|_{U_i}).$

Then the Lagrangian  $\mathfrak{L}_{CYM}[A]$ , defined locally by

$$(\mathfrak{L}_{\mathrm{CYM}}[A])\big|_{U_i} := -\frac{1}{2}\kappa(F_{s_i} \stackrel{\wedge}{,} *F_{s_i}),$$

is well-defined, and

$$\mathfrak{L}_{\mathrm{CYM}}\big[L^!A\big]=\mathfrak{L}_{\mathrm{CYM}}[A]$$

for all principal bundle automorphisms L.

#### Back to the roots

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# Example (Hopf fibration $\mathbb{S}^7 \to \mathbb{S}^4$ , [S.-R. F.])

Let P be the Hopf bundle

$$SU(2) \cong \mathbb{S}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}^7$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbb{S}^4$$

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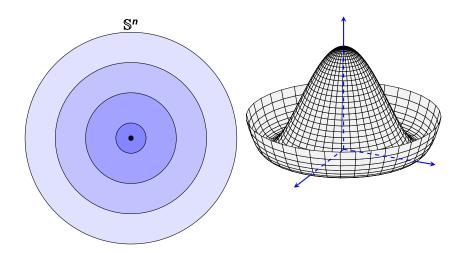
Define  $\mathscr{P} := \mathscr{G}$  as the inner group bundle of P,

$$\mathscr{G} := c_{\mathrm{SU}(2)}(P) := (P \times \mathrm{SU}(2)) / \mathrm{SU}(2).$$

This principal  $c_{SU(2)}(P)$ -bundle admits the structure as curved Yang-Mills gauge theory; there is no description as classical gauge theory.

# Applications: Singular foliations

(joint work w/ Camille Laurent-Gengoux)



#### **Singular Foliations:**

 Gauge Theory (Ex.: Singular foliation  $\leftrightarrow$  Symmetry breaking  $\rightarrow$  Higgs mechanism)

Foliations

- Poisson Geometry (Singular foliation of symplectic leaves)
- Lie groupoids and algebroids
- Dirac structures
- Generalised complex manifolds
- Non-commutative geometry

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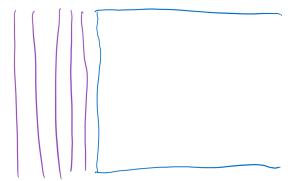
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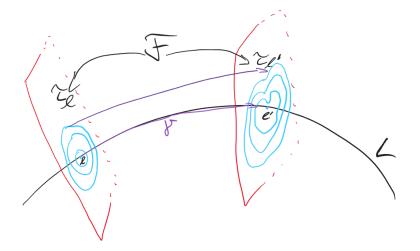
$$X=\sum_i f_i X^i.$$

#### Remarks (Leaves)

Following the flows in  $\mathcal{F}$ , this gives rise to a partition of connected immersed submanifolds in M.



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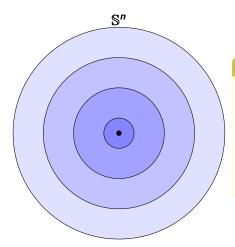


#### Theorem $(\mathcal{F}$ -connections)

There is a connection on the normal bundle of a leaf L:

- Horizontal vector fields are in F.
- Parallel transport  $PT_{\gamma}$  has values in  $Sym(\tau_{I}, \tau_{I'})$ .
- For a contractible loop  $\gamma_0$  at I:  $PT_{\gamma_0}$  values in  $Inner(\tau_I)$ .

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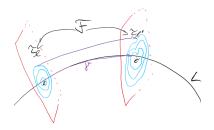


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- Inner( $\tau_I$ ) maps each circle to itself
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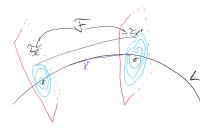
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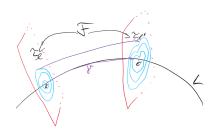
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$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} X^{\uparrow}, X'^{\uparrow} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{$\sim$ curvature}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} X^{\uparrow}, \overline{\mu} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} X'^{\uparrow}, \overline{\nu} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{$\sim$ connection}} + \overline{[\nu, \mu]}$$

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A **right-action of**  $\mathscr{G}$  **on**  $\mathscr{T}$  is a smooth map

 $\mathscr{T} * \mathscr{G} := \mathscr{T}_{\phi} \times_{\pi_{\mathscr{C}}} \mathscr{G} \to \mathscr{T}_{\phi}(t,g) \mapsto t \cdot g$ , satisfying the following properties:

$$\phi(t \cdot g) = \phi(t), \tag{14}$$

$$(t \cdot g) \cdot h = t \cdot (gh), \tag{15}$$

$$t \cdot e_{\phi(t)} = p \tag{16}$$

for all  $t \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $g, h \in \mathcal{G}_{\phi(t)}$ , where  $e_{\phi(t)}$  is the neutral element of  $\mathcal{G}_{\phi(t)}$ .

# Definition (Principal bundle)

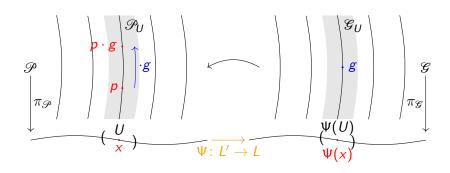


A surjective submersion  $\pi_{\mathscr{P}} \colon \mathscr{P} \to L'$ , with  $\mathscr{G}$ -action

$$\mathscr{P} * \mathscr{G} \to \mathscr{P}$$
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simply transitive on  $\pi_{\mathscr{P}}$ -fibres of  $\mathscr{P}$ , and "suitable" atlas.

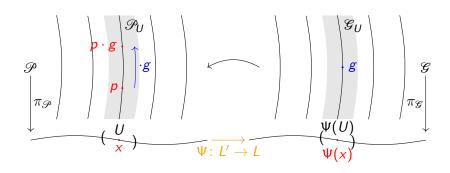
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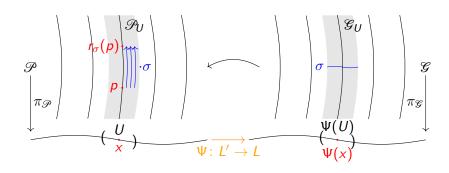
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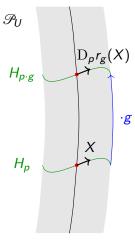
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Use 
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:  $r_{\sigma}(p) := p \cdot \sigma_{\Psi(x)}$ 

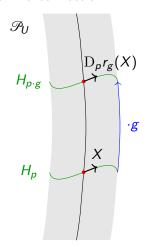
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where  $\gamma: I \to L'$  is a base path

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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\pi_{\mathcal{F}} \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{F}} \\
L' & \xrightarrow{\Psi} & L
\end{array}$$

**1 Ehresmann connection:**  $\mathscr{G}$  preserving  $\pi_{\mathscr{T}}$  and

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Yang-Mills connection: Additionally

$$\mathsf{PT}^{\mathscr{T}}_{\gamma_0}(t) = t \cdot \mathsf{g}_{\gamma_0}$$

for some  $g_{\gamma_0} \in \mathcal{G}_{\phi(t)}$ , where  $\gamma_0$  is a contractible loop.

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There is a simplicial differential  $\delta$  on  $\mathscr{G} \overset{\pi_\mathscr{C}}{\to} L$  with Lie algebra bundle  $\mathscr{Q}$ 

$$\delta: \Omega^{\bullet}(\underbrace{\mathscr{G} * \ldots * \mathscr{G}}_{k \text{ times}}; \pi_{\mathscr{C}}^{*}g) \to \Omega^{\bullet}(\underbrace{\mathscr{G} * \ldots * \mathscr{G}}_{k+1 \text{ times}}; \pi_{\mathscr{C}}^{*}g)$$

such that the definition of the multiplicative Yang-Mills connection is equivalent to the **compatibility conditions** 

- Connection closed
- Curvature exact ([S.-R. F.])

#### Remarks

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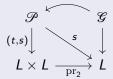
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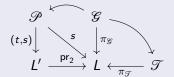
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where t and s are the target and source arrows, respectively. A connection on P induces an Ehresmann connection on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

# Definition (Associated bundles, [C. L.-G., S.-R. F.])



Equivalence relation on  $\mathcal{P}_s \times_{\pi_{\mathcal{T}}} \mathcal{T}$ 

$$(p,t) \sim (p \cdot g, g^{-1} \cdot t)$$

defines the **associated bundle**  $\mathscr{P} \tilde{\times} \mathscr{T}$  over L'.

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Ad(P) and At(P) the adjoint and Atiyah bundle of P, respectively:

# Future Prospects

# Remarks (Why **curved** gauge theory?)

- Associated connection invariant under choice of F-connection  $\nabla^{\mathscr{F}}$
- Associated connection has the form

$$\nabla^{\mathscr{F}} + A$$

where A is the connection 1-form on  $\mathcal{P}$ 

# Thank you!