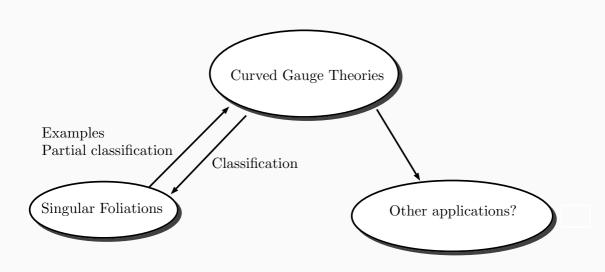
#### **Curved Yang-Mills-Higgs theories**

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**Motivation** 

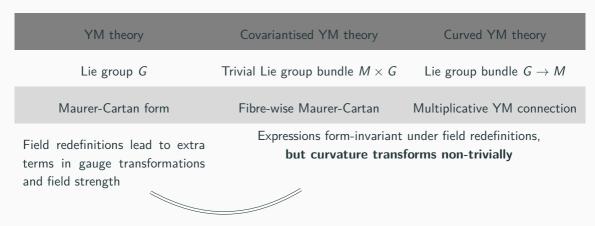
## Motivation: Covariantisation of Yang-Mills(-Higgs) theory

#### Covariantization

Classical theory	Covariantised flat theory	Curved Theory
Vector space $V$	Trivial vector bundle $M \times V$	Vector bundle $V  o M$
$rac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$	Canonical flat connection $ abla^0$	Vector bundle connection $ abla$
Coordinate changes may lead to extra terms	Coordinate expressions form-invariant under coordinate changes	

### Curved Yang-Mills gauge theory (curved YM theory)

#### Covariantization



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#### **Curved Yang-Mills-Higgs theory (curved YMH theory)**

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YMH theory	Covariantised YMH theory	Curved YMH theory
Lie group $G$ with right-action on $N$	Action groupoid $N \times G$	Lie groupoid $G  ightrightarrows N$
Maurer-Cartan form	Fibre-wise Maurer-Cartan	Covariant adjustments
Field redefinitions lead to extra terms in gauge transformations and field strength	Expressions form-invariant under field redefinitions, but curvature transforms non-trivially	

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# Lie groupoids



$$\mathcal{G}$$
 $\downarrow \downarrow s$ 
 $N$ 

#### **Definition** (Lie groupoids)

 $\mathscr{G}$  a **Lie groupoid** if there are surjective submersions  $s,t\colon \mathscr{G}\to N$ , source and target, respectively, and a smooth multiplication map  $\mathscr{G}_s\times_t\mathscr{G}\to\mathscr{G}$  such that

$$s(g'g) = s(g),$$
  $t(g'g) = t(g')$ 

for all  $(g',g) \in \mathcal{G}_{s} \times_{t} \mathcal{G}$  (i.e. s(g') = t(g)), satisfying the typical expected properties, that is,

Associativity: 
$$(g''g')g = g''(g'g),$$
 Units: 
$$ge_{s(g)} = g, \qquad e_{t(g)}g = g,$$
 Inverse: 
$$g^{-1}g = e_{s(g)}, \qquad gg^{-1} = e_{t(g)}$$

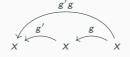
for all  $(g'', g', g) \in \mathcal{G}_s \times_t \mathcal{G}_s \times_t \mathcal{G}$ , where one requires the existence of the *unit* e as a global section of both, s and t, and the *inverse*  $g^{-1} \in \mathcal{G}$  of g.



#### **Example (Lie groups)**

Lie groups G

$$G$$
 $t \downarrow \downarrow s$ 
 $\{*\}$ 



#### Example (Lie group bundles (LGBs))

LGB  $\pi_{\mathscr{C}} : \mathscr{C} \to M$ 

$$\mathcal{G}$$
 $\pi_{\mathcal{G}} \bigcup_{\mathcal{M}} \pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ 



#### **Example (Action groupoid (trivial))**

Lie group G with action  $\Psi \colon N \times G \to N$ ,  $(x, q) \mapsto x \cdot q$ , on N.

$$\begin{array}{c}
N \times G \\
 pr_1 \downarrow \downarrow \Psi \\
N
\end{array}$$

$$(x,q) (x \cdot q, q') = (x, qq') ,$$

$$e_x = (x,e) ,$$

$$(x,q)^{-1} = (x \cdot q, q^{-1})$$



#### **Definition (Groupoid right-action)**

A **right-action** is a smooth map  $P {\,}_{\Phi} \times_t {\,}^{\mathscr C} \to P$  such that

$$\Phi(p \cdot g) = s(g),$$
  

$$(p \cdot g) \cdot g' = p \cdot (gg'),$$
  

$$p \cdot e_{\Phi(p)} = p$$

for all  $(p, g, g') \in P_{\Phi} \times_t \mathcal{G}_s \times_t \mathcal{G}$ .

Principal bundles and their

**Ehresmann connections** 



#### **Definition (Principal groupoid-bundles)**

 $\pi: P \to M$  surjective submersion is a **principal**  $\mathscr{G}$ -bundle if

$$\pi(p\cdot g)=\pi(p)$$

for all  $(p,g) \in P_{\Phi} \times_t \mathcal{G}$ , and if

$$P {}_{\Phi} \times_t \mathscr{G} \to P {}_{\pi} \times_{\pi} P,$$
  
 $(p,g) \mapsto (p,p \cdot g)$ 

is a diffeomorphism.

#### **Ehresmann connection**



#### **Remarks**

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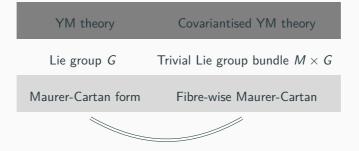
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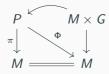
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#### We lose covariantization



Me would lose the equivalence to the covariantised theory where we set  $\Phi=\pi$ 



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$$\parallel$$

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#### What else?

#### Idea

Open a textbook about ordinary gauge theory, and replace:

- Right-pushforward → Modified right-pushforward,
- Adjoint representation → Adjoint representation via Cartan connections (?)
- Generalising the concept of field strength accounting for a possible curvature coming from  ${\mathscr G}$

Too much to introduce! (Lie algebroids, Lie algebroid connections, basic curvature, basic connections, and so on...)

Thus, for today: LGBs!

# Curved Yang-Mills gauge theory

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Let us assume that the structural Lie group G is semisimple, then:

#### Theorem

There is a unique (up to isomorphism) principal G-bundle Q such that

$$\mathscr{G} = (Q \times G)/G,$$

multiplicative Yang-Mills connections on & are precisely associated connections, thus in 1:1 correspondence to Ehresmann connections on Q, and  $\zeta$  is the corresponding curvature on Q.

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See Camille's talk on Friday ©

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#### Outlook

- More applications? So far: Singular foliations & Symmetry Breaking
- Local examples?

# Thank you!

A quick funny example, again by  $\mathbb{S}^7$ 

#### Example

The Lie groupoid  $\mathscr G$  given as the pair groupoid of  $\mathbb S^7$  leads to descriptions of curved Yang-Mills-Higgs theories, which cannot be described in an ordinary way due to the lack of non-associativity on  $\mathbb S^7$ .

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