

# Symplectic Geometry

Radim Čech

February 2, 2025

Symplectic geometry is a branch of differential geometry that studies symplectic manifolds, which are smooth manifolds equipped with a closed, non-degenerate 2-form called a symplectic form. It originated from classical mechanics.

**Definition 1** (Symplectic manifold). Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold of even dimension  $2m$  and let  $\omega \in \Omega^2(M)$  be a closed non degenerate 2-form i.e.

$$d\omega = 0 \text{ and } \omega^m = \omega \wedge \omega \wedge \cdots \wedge \omega \neq 0,$$

Then  $\omega$  is called a *simplectic form* and the pair  $(M, \omega)$  is called a *simplectic manifold*.

ekvivalentni definice nedegenerovanosti.

Narozdil od riemannovske geometrie nelze pouzit partitions of unity na konstrukci metriky.

napsat poznamku o koncenci se psanim dimenze manifoldu :D

**Example 2** (Canonical symplectic structure). Let  $M = \mathbb{R}^{2m}$  with the global coordinates  $q_1, \dots, q_m, p_1, \dots, p_m$ . and let  $\omega$  be a form s.t.,

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^m dp_i \wedge dq_i.$$

Then

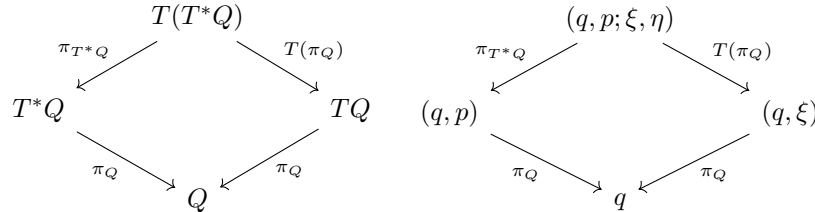
$$\omega^m = m! \cdot (-1)^{m(m-1)/2} \cdot dp_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dp_m \wedge dq_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dq_m.$$

We call  $R^{2m}$  with the form  $\omega$  the canonical symplectic structure.

**Example 3** (Cotangent bundle is a symplectic manifold.). Let  $Q$  be a manifold, and consider the manifold  $M = T^*Q$ . Then there is a canonical 1-form  $\theta \in \Omega^1(M)$  given by

$$\theta(X) = \langle \pi_{T^*Q}(X), T(\pi_Q)(X) \rangle, \quad X \in T(T^*Q), \quad (1)$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the natural pairing between tangent and cotangent spaces and the projections are the following:



Let  $q = (q^1, \dots, q^n) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a chart on  $Q$ , then we have the induced chart  $T^*q : T^*U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $T_x^*q = (T_x q^{-1})^*$ , we put  $p_i := \langle e_i, T^*q(\cdot) \rangle : T^*U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $(q^1, \dots, q^n, p_1, \dots, p_n) : T^*U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times (\mathbb{R}^n)^*$  are the induced coordinates and locally in these coordinates

$$\theta(q, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \theta \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} \right) dq^i + \theta \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \right) dp_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i dq^i + 0, \quad (2)$$

since  $\theta \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} \right) = \theta_{R^n}((q, p; e_i, 0)) = \langle p, e_i \rangle = p_i$ .

Now we define the 2-form  $\omega \in \Omega^2(T^*Q)$  by

$$\omega := -d\theta \stackrel{\text{locally}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n dq^i \wedge dp_i. \quad (3)$$

We see that the 2-form  $\omega$  is non-degenerate.

**Definition 4.** The form  $\theta \in \Omega^1(M)$  from (1), locally given by (2), is called the *tautological 1-form* on  $T^*Q$ . The induced 2-form  $\omega$  from (3) is called the *canonical symplectic structure* on  $T^*Q$ .

dukaz ze je neni degen?

**Definition 5.** Let  $X : J \times M \rightarrow TM$  be a smooth mapping such that  $\pi_M \circ X = pr_2$ , where  $J$  is open. Then we call  $X$  a *time dependent vector field* on a manifold  $M$ .

There is an associated vector field  $\bar{X} \in \mathfrak{X}(J \times M)$ , given by  $\bar{X}(t, x) = (\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, X(t, x)) \in T_t\mathbb{R} \times T_xM$ .

**Definition 6.** Let  $X$  be a time dependent vector field on a manifold  $M$  and let  $\Phi^X : J \times J \times M \rightarrow M$  be a map defined on a maximal neighborhood of  $\Delta_J \times M$  satisfying the differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\Phi^X(t, s, x) &= X(t, \Phi^X(t, s, x)) \\ \Phi^X(s, s, x) &= x \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Definition 6 is equivalent with

$$(t, \Phi^X(t, s, x)) = Fl^{\bar{X}}(t - s, (s, x)),$$

so the evolution operator exists and is unique on a maximal integral curve and satisfies

$$\Phi_{t,s}^X = \Phi_{t,r}^X \circ \Phi_{r,s}^X, \text{ where } \Phi_{t,r}^X(x) = \Phi(t, s, x).$$

**Lemma 7.** Let  $f_t$  be a curve of diffeomorphisms on a manifold  $M$  locally defined for each  $t$  such that  $f_0 = Id$ . Defined two time dependent vector fields

$$\xi_t(x) := (T_x f_t)^{-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t(x), \quad \eta_t(x) := \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t \right) (f_t^{-1}(x)) \quad (5)$$

Then  $T(f_t) \cdot \xi_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t = \eta_t \circ f_t$ , so  $\xi_t$  and  $\eta_t$  are  $f_t$ -related. Let  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ . Then

$$i_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega = f_t^* i_{\eta_t} \omega, \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t^* \omega = f_t^* \mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega = \mathcal{L}_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega. \quad (7)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (i_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega)_x(X_2, \dots, X_k) &= (f_t^* \omega)_x(\xi_t(x), X_2, \dots, X_k) \\ &= \omega_{f_t(x)}(T_x f_t \cdot \xi_t(x), T_x f_t \cdot X_2, \dots, T_x f_t \cdot X_k) \\ &= \omega_{f_t(x)}(\eta_t(f_t(x)), T_x f_t \cdot X_2, \dots, T_x f_t \cdot X_k) \\ &= (f_t^* i_{\eta_t} \omega)_x(X_2, \dots, X_k) \end{aligned}$$

This proves (6). Now consider  $\bar{\eta} \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R} \times M)$ ,  $\bar{\eta}(t, x) = (\partial_t, \eta_t(x))$  and let  $\Phi^\eta : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M$  be the evolution operator, i.e.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi_{t,s}^\eta(x) = \eta_t(\Phi_{t,s}^\eta(x)), \quad \Phi_{s,s}^\eta(x) = x,$$

such that

$$(t, \Phi_{t,s}^\eta(x)) = Fl_{t-s}^{\bar{\eta}}(s, x), \quad \Phi_{t,s}^\eta = \Phi_{t,r}^\eta \circ \Phi_{r,s}^\eta(x).$$

Since  $f_t$  satisfies  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t = \eta_t \circ f_t$  and  $f_0 = Id_M$ , either  $f_t = \Phi_{t,0}^\eta$ , or  $(t, f_t(x)) = Fl_t^\eta(0, x)$ , so  $f_t = pr_2 \circ Fl_t^\eta \circ ins_0$ . Thus

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t^* \omega = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (pr_2 \circ Fl_t^\eta \circ ins_0)^* \omega = ins_0^* \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (Fl_t^\eta)^* pr_2^* \omega = ins_0^* (Fl_t^\eta)^* \mathbb{L}_{\bar{\eta}} pr_2^* \omega.$$

For time dependant vector fields  $X_i$  (tady mozna nejaka vlastnost lie derivative!!!) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{\bar{\eta}} pr_2^* \omega)(0 \times X_1, \dots, 0 \times X_k)|_{(t,x)} &= \bar{\eta}((pr_2^* \omega)(0 \times X_1, \dots))|_{(t,x)} \\ &\quad - \sum_i (pr_2^* \omega)(0 \times X_1, \dots, [\bar{\eta}, 0 \times X_i], \dots, 0 \times X_k)|_{(t,x)} \\ &= (\partial_t, \eta_t(x))(\omega(X_1, \dots, X_k)) - \sum_i \omega(X_1, \dots, [\eta_t, X_i], \dots, X_k)|_x \\ &= (\mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega)_x(X_1, \dots, X_k). \end{aligned}$$

For  $X_i \in T_x M$ , this implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t^* \omega \right)_x(X_1, \dots, X_k) &= \left( ins^*(Fl_t^\eta)^* \mathcal{L}_{\eta} pr_2^* \omega \right)_x(X_1, \dots, X_k) \\ &= ((Fl_t^\eta)^* \mathcal{L}_{\eta} pr_2^* \omega)_{(0,x)}(0 \times X_1, \dots, 0 \times X_k) \\ &= (\mathcal{L}_{\eta} pr_2^* \omega)_{(t, f_t(x))}(0_t \times T_x f_t \cdot X_1, \dots, 0_t \times T_x f_t \cdot X_k) \\ &= (\mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega)_{f_t(x)}(T_x f_t \cdot X_1, \dots, T_x f_t \cdot X_k) \\ &= (f_t^* \mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega)_x(X_1, \dots, X_k), \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

We have proven the first part of (7), the second part follow from (6)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t^* \omega &= f_t^* \mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega \\ &= f_t^* (di_{\eta_t} + i_{\eta_t} d) \omega \\ &= df_t^* i_{\eta_t} \omega + f_t^* i_{\eta_t} d\omega \\ &= di_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega + i_{\xi_t} f_t^* d\omega \\ &= di_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega + i_{\xi_t} df_t^* \omega \\ &= \mathcal{L}_{\xi_t} f_t^* \omega. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

□

dopsat co je ins a pr2?

**Theorem 8** (Darboux). *Let  $(M, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold of dimension  $2n$ . Then for all points  $x \in M$  exists a chart  $(U, u)$  centered at  $x$  such that  $\omega|_U = \sum_{i=1}^n du^i \wedge du^{n+i}$ .*

*Proof.* Take a chart  $(U, u)$  centered at  $x$  and choose coordinates such that  $\omega_x = \sum_{i=1}^n du^i \wedge du^{n+i}$  at  $x$ . Then  $\omega_0 = \omega|_U$  and  $\omega_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n du^i \wedge du^{n+i}$  are two symplectic forms that are equal at  $x$ . Now interpolate  $\omega_t = \omega_0 + t(\omega_1 - \omega_0)$ . Then  $\omega_t$  is a symplectic form on a possibly smaller neighbourhood of  $x$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

We want to find a curve of diffeomorphisms  $f_t$  near  $x$  such that  $f_0 = id$ ,  $f_t(x) = x$  and such that the pullback condition  $f_t^* \omega_t = \omega_0$  is satisfied. Assume that  $U$  is contractible, then the second cohomology group  $H^2(U) = 0$  and every closed 2-form is exact, so  $d(\omega_1 - \omega_0) = 0$  implies  $\omega_1 - \omega_0 = d\psi$  for some  $\psi \in \Omega^1(U)$ . By adding a constant we may assume that  $\psi_x = 0$ . Now by using Lemma 7, (7), we get a time dependant vector field  $\eta_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t \circ f_t^{-1}$ , then by differentiating with respect to  $t$ , (cartan formula!!)

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_t^* \omega_t = f_t^* \left( \mathcal{L}_{\eta_t} \omega_t + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \omega_t \right) = f_t^* (di_{\eta_t} \omega_t + i_{\eta_t} d\omega_t + \omega_1 - \omega_0) = f_t^* d(i_{\eta_t} \omega_t + \psi)$$

Since  $\omega_t$  is non-degenerate, the equation  $i_{\eta_t} \omega_t = -\psi$  prescribes the vector field  $\eta_t$  uniquely. Also  $\eta_t(x) = 0$  sine  $\psi_x = 0$ . On some neighbourhood of  $x$  the left evolution operator  $f_t$  of  $\eta_t$  exists for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (f_t^* \omega_t) = 0$ , so  $f_t^* \omega_t = \omega_0$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ . □

NOW lets study symplectomorphisms.  
mozna dopsat definici lagrangian manifold

**Definition 9** (Lagrangian submanifold). Let  $(M^{2m}, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold. We call a submanifold  $Y$  of  $M$  lagrangian, if at each  $p \in Y$ ,  $T_p Y$  is a lagrangian subspace of  $T_p M$ , that is,  $\omega_p|_{T_p Y} \equiv 0$  and  $\dim T_p Y = \frac{1}{2} \dim T_p M$ .

Equivalently, if  $i : Y \rightarrow M$  is the inclusion map, then  $Y$  is lagrangian if and only if  $i^* \omega = 0$  and  $\dim Y = \frac{1}{2} \dim M$

**Example 10** (The zero section of  $T^*M$ ). Let  $M^m$  be a manifold and consider its cotangent bundle  $T^*M$  with the local coordinates  $x_1, \dots, x_m, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_m$  on  $T^*U$ . Then the *zero section* of  $T^*M$  is the set

$$M_0 = (x, \xi) \in T^*M | \xi = 0 \text{ in } T_x^*M$$

is an  $m$ -dimensional submanifold of  $T^*M$  whose intersection with  $T^*U$  is given by the equations  $\xi_1 = \dots = \xi_m = 0$ . Then clearly the tautological 1-form  $\theta(x, \xi)$  vanishes on  $M_0 \cap T^*U$ . Let  $i_0 : M_0 \rightarrow T^*M$  be the inclusion map, then  $i_0^* \theta = 0$ . Hence  $i_0^* \omega = i_0^* d\theta = 0$  and so  $M_0$  is lagrangian.

Now let  $\mu \in \Omega^1(M)$  be a 1-form and consider the set

$$M_\mu = \{(x, \mu_x) \mid x \in X, \mu_x \in T_x^*X\} \quad (10)$$

Then  $M_\mu$  is a submanifold of  $T^*M$ . When is  $M_\mu$  lagrangian?

**Lemma 11.** *Let  $M_\mu$  be of the form (10). Denote by  $s_\mu : M \rightarrow T^*M, x \rightarrow (x, \mu_x)$  the 1-form  $\mu$  regarded as a map. Let  $\theta$  be the tautological 1-form on  $T^*M$ . Then*

$$s_\mu^* \theta = \mu$$

*Proof.* By definition of  $\theta$ ,  $\theta_p = (d\pi)^* \xi$  at  $p = (x, \xi) \in M$ . For  $p = s_\mu(x) = (x, \mu_x)$ , we have  $\theta_p = (d\pi_p)^* \mu_x$ . Then

$$(s_\mu^* \theta)_x = (ds_\mu)_x^* \theta_p = (ds_\mu)_x^* (d\pi_p)^* \mu_x = (d(\pi \circ s_\mu))_x^* \mu_x = \mu_x.$$

□

**Lemma 12.** *Let  $M_\mu$  be of the form (10). Then  $M_\mu$  is lagrangian iff.  $\mu$  is closed.*

*Proof.* The map  $s_\mu : M \rightarrow T^*M, x \rightarrow (x, \mu_x)$  is an embedding with image  $M_\mu$ . Then there is a diffeomorphism  $\tau : M \rightarrow M_\mu, \tau(x) := (x, \mu_x)$ , such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{s_\mu} & T^*X \\ & \searrow \tau & \uparrow i \\ & & X_\mu \end{array}$$

We want to express the condition of  $M_\mu$  being Lagrangian in terms of the form  $\mu$ :

$$\begin{aligned} M_\mu \text{ is Lagrangian} &\iff i^* d\theta = 0 \\ &\iff \tau^* i^* d\theta = 0 \\ &\iff (i \circ \tau)^* d\theta = 0 \\ &\iff s_\mu^* d\theta = 0 \\ &\iff ds_\mu^* \theta = 0 \\ &\iff d\mu = 0 \\ &\iff \mu \text{ is closed.} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Therefore, there is a one-to-one correspondence between the set of Lagrangian submanifolds of  $T^*M$  of the form (10) and the set of closed 1-forms on  $M$ . □

There are other lagrangian submanifolds of  $T^*M$ . Lets study the conormal bundles.

**Definition 13.** Let  $S^k$  be submanifold of  $M^m$ , then the *conormal space* at  $x$  is the set

$$N_x^*S = \{\xi \in T_x^*M \mid \xi(v) = 0, v \in T_xM\}.$$

The *conormal bundle* of  $S$  is

$$N^*S = \{(x, \xi) \in T^*M \mid x \in S, \xi \in N_x^*S\}.$$

**Example 14.** Let  $S \subset X$  be a submanifold, then the conormal bundle  $N^*S$  is a lagrangian submanifold of  $T^*X$ .

**Lemma 15.** The conormal bundle  $N^*S$  is an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold of  $T^*M$ .

**Lemma 16.** Let  $i : N^*S \hookrightarrow T^*M$  be the inclusion and  $\theta$  the tautological 1-form on  $T^*M$ . Then

$$i^*\theta = 0.$$

*Proof.* Let  $(U, x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be a coordinate system on  $M$  centered at  $x \in S$  and adapted to  $M$ , so that  $U \cap S$  is described by

$$x_{k+1} = \dots = x_n = 0. \text{ and } \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_k = 0$$

Let  $(U, x_1, \dots, x_n, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$  be the associated cotangent coordinate system. The submanifold  $N^*S \cap T^*U$  is then described by

$$x_{k+1} = \dots = x_n = 0 \text{ and } \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_k = 0. \quad (12)$$

Since  $\theta = \sum \xi_i dx_i$  on  $T^*U$ , we conclude that, at  $p \in N^*S$ ,

$$(i^*\theta)_p = \theta_p|_{T_p(N^*S)} = \sum_{i>k} \xi_i dx_i \Big|_{\text{span}\left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, i \leq k\right\}} = 0. \quad (13)$$

□

**Corollary 17.** For any submanifold  $S$  of  $M$ , the conormal bundle  $N^*S$  is a lagrangian submanifold of  $T^*M$ .

Notice that taking  $S = \{x\}$  to be a point, then the conormal bundle  $N^*S = T_x^*M$  is a cotangent fiber. Taking  $S = X$ , the conormal bundle is the zero section  $M_0$ .

**Lemma 18** (Lemmatko).  $2 + 2 = 4 - 1 = 3$  quick maffs.

A ted si rekneme dulezitou vetu.

**Theorem 19** (Hlavni veta o gaystvi). *Jsi gay.*

**Corollary 20.** *Vlastne dusledek tohoto kratkeho textu je, ze bych se mel jit zabít. Jdu na to!*