

# Part 1 - Symplectic manifolds and neighborhood theorems

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Possible ref. on basics: A. Cannas da Silva, "Lectures on Symp. geometry".

\* Symplectic manifolds:  $(M, \omega)$  smooth manifold,  $\omega \in \Omega^2(M)$ ,

- non-degenerate:  $\frac{1}{n!} \omega^n \neq 0$  pointwise ( $\Rightarrow$  vol. form, orientation)  $\Leftrightarrow v \mapsto \omega v$
- closed:  $d\omega = 0$ .  $TM \cong T^*M$ .

Ex:  $M =$  oriented surface,  $\omega =$  area form

•  $M = \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ ,  $\omega = \sum dx_i \wedge dy_i$

•  $M = T^*N$ ,  $\omega = d\lambda$ , Liouville form  $\lambda = \sum p_i dq_i$  in local coords.  $T^*N \xrightarrow{\pi} N$   
 intrinsically:  $\lambda_{(x, \xi)}(v) = \langle \xi, d\pi(v) \rangle$ .  
 $\omega$  exact hence closed; clearly non-deg.

• symplectic submanifolds:  $V \subset M$ ,  $\omega|_V$  nondegenerate.

Q: for which  $n$  does  $S^{2n}$  have a sympl. structure? what about  $T^{2n} = \mathbb{R}^{2n} / \mathbb{Z}^{2n}$ ?

\* Lagrangian submanifolds:  $L \subset (M^{2n}, \omega)$ ,  $\omega|_L = 0$ .

Ex: zero section in  $T^*N$ , or more generally:  $\alpha \in \Omega^1(N, \mathbb{R})$ ,

$T^*N \supset \text{graph}(\alpha)$  ( $\xrightarrow{\pi} N$  via projection).  $\lambda|_{\text{graph}(\alpha)} = \alpha$  (or rather  $\pi^* \alpha$ )

Since  $\omega = d\lambda$ ,  $\text{graph}(\alpha)$  is Lagrangian iff  $d\alpha = 0$   
 (exact Lagr, i.e.  $\lambda$  exact, iff  $\alpha$  exact)

Ex: • conormal bundles:  $V \subset N^n$  subfld  $\Rightarrow N^*V = \{(x, \xi) \mid x \in V, \xi|_{T_x V} = 0\} \subset T^*N$ .  
 rank  $n-k$  bundle over  $V$

Fact:  $\lambda|_{N^*V} = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow N^*V$  (exact) Lagr.

In fact, let  $v \in T_{(x, \xi)}(N^*V)$ ,  $d\pi(v) \in T_x V$ , while  $\xi \perp T_x V$ , so  
 $\lambda(v) = \langle \xi, d\pi(v) \rangle = 0$ .

or ... in local coords.  $(q_1, \dots, q_n)$  where  $V = \{q_{k+1} = \dots = q_n = 0\}$  i.e.  $\mathbb{R}^k_{q_1, \dots, q_k}$   
 dual coords.  $(p_1, \dots, p_n)$   
 $\Rightarrow N^*V = \{(q_i, p_i) \mid q_{k+1} = \dots = q_n = 0, p_{k+1} = \dots = p_n = 0\}$  Lagr for  $\omega = \sum dp_i \wedge dq_i$   
 i.e.  $\mathbb{R}^k_{q_1, \dots, q_k} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-k}_{p_{k+1}, \dots, p_n}$

Ex: graphs of symplectomorphisms:  $(M, \omega) \ni \varphi \in \text{Symp}(M, \omega)$  i.e.  $\varphi^* \omega = \omega$ , or jkt Diff

Then look at graph  $\Gamma_\varphi = \{(x, \varphi(x))\} \subset M \times M$  i.e.  $(\pi_1 \times M, -\pi_1^* \omega + \pi_2^* \omega)$ .  
 aka  $-\omega \oplus \omega$

Prop:  $\varphi \in \text{Symp}(M, \omega) \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_\varphi$  is Lagrangian.

Pf:  $i: M \rightarrow \Gamma_\varphi \subset M \times M$ ,  $i^*(-\pi_1^* \omega + \pi_2^* \omega) = -(\pi_1 \circ i)^* \omega + (\pi_2 \circ i)^* \omega$   
 $x \mapsto (x, \varphi(x))$   
 $= -\omega + \varphi^* \omega$ .

\* Hamiltonian vector fields:

\*  $(M, \omega)$  symplectic,  $H \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \exists! X_H$  v.f. st.  $\iota_{X_H} \omega = -dH$ . Ham. vector field.

Recall: Given time dep't v.f.  $(v_t)$ : flow gen'd by  $v_t$ ,  $\phi_t$ , is family of diffeos defined by

$$\phi_0(p) = p, \quad \frac{d\phi_t(p)}{dt} = v_t(\phi_t(p)) \quad (\text{converge if } M \text{ closed, or } v_t \text{ has suitable growth at infinity)}$$

general fact about flows:  $\frac{d}{dt}(\phi_t^* \alpha) = \phi_t^*(L_{v_t} \alpha)$

$\hookrightarrow$  Lie derivative  $(L_v \alpha = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \exp(tv) \alpha)$ .

Cartan's formula:  $L_v \alpha = d\iota_v \alpha + \iota_v d\alpha$

So: given Hamiltonians  $H_t$ , flow of  $X_{H_t}$  satisfies  $\frac{d}{dt}(\phi_t^* \omega) = \phi_t^* L_{X_{H_t}} \omega = \phi_t^* d\iota_{X_{H_t}} \omega = 0$ .  $\overset{=-dH_t \text{ exact}}{=}$

conclude:  $\text{Ham}(M, \omega) \subset \text{Symp}(M, \omega)$   
Ham diffeos (gen'd by Ham. v.f.) symplectic:  $\phi^* \omega = \omega$ .

Note:  $dH(X_H) = -\omega(X_H, X_H) = 0$  so flow of time indep't Ham.  $H$  preserves level sets of  $H$ .

Ex 1:  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\omega_0 = dx \wedge dy = r dr \wedge d\theta$ ,  $H = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \Rightarrow X_H = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$  ( $\omega(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \cdot) = -r dr$ ).

uniform rotation.

$S^2$ ,  $\omega_0 = d\theta \wedge d\varphi$   exercise: this is standard area form from  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  area preserving.  
 $H = z \Rightarrow X_H = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$  uniform rotation

$T^*N$ ,  $\{H = H(q) \text{ factors through } \pi \Rightarrow X_H(q, p) = (0, -dH(q))$ . flow shifts fibers (0 section  $\mapsto$  graph  $dH$ )  
 $\hookrightarrow$  equip  $N$  with a Riem metric,  $H = \frac{1}{2} |p|^2 \Rightarrow$  generates geodesic flow on  $T^*N \cong TN$ .

• More generally, sympl. v.f. =  $\iota_v \omega$  is closed (vs. Ham. = exact), flow still symplectomorphisms.

Given a symplectic isotopy  $(\varphi_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$  generated by sympl. v.f.  $v_t$ , define

$$\text{Flux}(\varphi_t) = \int_0^1 [\iota_{v_t} \omega] dt \in H^1(N, \mathbb{R}) \quad \text{measures how far from Ham. isotopy.}$$

Given  $\gamma: S^1 \rightarrow M$ ,  $\varphi_t(\gamma)$  sweeps a cylinder  $\Gamma(s, t) = \varphi_t(\gamma(s))$ .



$$\int_{\Gamma} \omega = \int_0^1 \int_{S^1} \omega \left( \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial t} \right) ds dt$$



$$= \int_0^1 \int_{S^1} \iota_{v_t} \omega \left( \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial s} \right) ds dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 \langle [\iota_{v_t} \omega] \Big|_{\varphi_t(\gamma)}, [\gamma] \rangle dt = \langle \text{Flux}(\varphi_t), [\gamma] \rangle.$$

Ham. isotopy = zero area swept.

Moser's Theorem

Thm (Moser):  $M$  compact, closed, smooth family of symplectic forms with  $[\omega_t] \in H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$  indep of  $t$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists$  isotopy  $\varphi_t \in \text{Diff}(M)$  st.  $\varphi_t^* \omega_t = \omega_0$ , in particular  $(M, \omega_0) \simeq_{\varphi_1} (M, \omega_1)$ .

Pf:  $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$  is exact so  $\exists \alpha_t$  1-forms st.  $d\alpha_t = \frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ .  
Let  $X_t$  st.  $L_{X_t} \omega_t = -\alpha_t$ , and  $\varphi_t$  flow of  $X_t$ .  
Then  $\frac{d}{dt}(\varphi_t^* \omega_t) \stackrel{\text{chain rule}}{=} \varphi_t^* (L_{X_t} \omega_t + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt})$ . But  $L_{X_t} \omega_t = dL_{X_t} \omega_t = -d\alpha_t = -\frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ .

NB:  $\exists$  similar statements about open mflds but need extra conditions on structure at infinity. Eg: Liouville mflds = exact sympl; "convex" at infinity

$[\omega_0] = [\omega_1]$  doesn't imply they're isotopic through  $\omega_t$  in same class!

$\text{Nc Diff: } S^2 \times S^2 \times T^2, \omega_0 = \pi_1^* \omega_{S^2} + \pi_2^* \omega_{S^2} + ds \wedge dt$

$\psi(z, w, s, t) = (z, R_{z,t}(w), s, t)$   $\omega_1 = \psi^* \omega_0$   $[\omega_1] = [\omega_0]$   
 $\uparrow$  rotation across  $z$  angle  $t$   $\nexists \omega_t$  connecting them in the class (uses J-curve)

(though of course they're symplectomorphic, and deform equiv. ie.  $\exists \omega_t$  with varying  $[\omega_t]$ )

Thm (Darboux)  $\forall p \in (M, \omega), \exists$  local coords near  $p$  st.  $\omega = \sum dx_i \wedge dy_i$

Lemma:  $(T_p M, \omega_p) \simeq (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_0)$  as a sympl. vector space.

Pf: build standard basis  $\{e_i, f_i\}$  of  $T_p M$  st.  $\omega(e_i, e_j) = 0$   $\omega(e_i, f_j) = \delta_{ij}$ .

Pick  $e_1$ , then  $f_1$  st.  $\omega(e_1, f_1) = 1$ , then look at  $\text{span}(e_1, f_1)^\perp$  (which is a complementary subspace since  $\omega|_{\text{span}(e_1, f_1)}$  nondeg.) and induction.  $\blacktriangle$

Pf. Darboux: using standard basis on  $T_p M$ ,  $\exists$  loc. coords. ie.  $\mathbb{R}^{2n} \supset U \xrightarrow{f} M$   
 $0 \mapsto p$   
st.  $\omega_1 = f^* \omega$  agrees with  $\omega_0$  at the origin.

Since nondegeneracy is an open condition,  $\omega_t = (1-t)\omega_0 + t\omega_1$  is symplectic  $\forall t \in [0, 1]$  over a nbd. of 0 (shrink  $U$  if needed).

Moser trick:  $\exists \alpha$  1-form on  $U$  st.  $d\alpha = \omega_1 - \omega_0$ , and can assume  $\alpha$  (and its first derivatives) vanish at origin (subtract const. & linear terms!)

Then  $v_t$  st.  $L_{v_t} \omega_t = -\alpha$ ,  $\varphi_t = \text{flow of } v_t$ , well-def'd near origin ( $v_t = O(\text{dist}^2)$ ,  $\varphi_t = \text{id} + O(\text{dist}^2)$ ), flow stays in  $U$  if shrink domain further to  $U' \subset U$ .

Then  $\frac{d}{dt}(\varphi_t^* \omega_t) = \varphi_t^* (L_{v_t} \omega_t + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt}) = \varphi_t^* (-d\alpha + d\alpha) = 0$  so  $\varphi_1^* \omega_1 = \omega_0$ . (4)

Then  $(F \circ \varphi_1)^* \omega = \omega_0$ .

### Lagrangian sub theorem (Weinstein):

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Recall: Prop:  $L \subset (M, \omega)$  Lagrangian  $\Rightarrow NL \cong T^*L$ .

Pf:  $TM|_L \xrightarrow[\omega]{\cong} T^*M|_L \xrightarrow[\text{restr.}]{\twoheadrightarrow} T^*L$  surjective with kernel  $\supset TL$  (since  $\omega|_L = 0$ )  
hence  $= TL$  for d.in. reasons

hence  $NL = TM|_L / TL \cong T^*L$

Thm (Weinstein):  $(M, \omega) \supset L$  Lagrangian  $\Rightarrow \exists$  nbhd  $U$  of  $L$  in  $(M, \omega)$   
 $U_0$  of zero section  $L$  in  $(T^*M, \omega_0 = d\lambda)$

and a symplectomorphism  $\psi: (U_0, \omega_0) \xrightarrow{\cong} (U, \omega)$

$\begin{array}{ccc} \nwarrow & \hookrightarrow & \nearrow \\ i_0 & & i \\ & L & \end{array}$

Pf: \* pick a complement to  $TL$ , i.e. subbundle  $N \subset TM|_L$  st.  $TM|_L = TL \oplus N$

(eg. orthogonal for some metric) - can ensure it is a Lagrangian subbundle,  $\omega|_N = 0$ .

either pick  $TL^\perp$  for  $g$  compatible metric ( $g = \omega(\cdot, J\cdot)$ ,  $J^2 = -1$ , see later).

or there's an explicit procedure for constructing a Lagrangian complement out of any complement. (see Cannas §8.2)

\* Use exp map (for any metric) to build  $\psi: U_0 \subset T^*L \rightarrow U \subset M$  st.

•  $\psi$  along zero section is the inclusion  $i: L \hookrightarrow M$

•  $d\psi$  along zero section maps fibers  $T^*L$  to  $N$  by the linear iso  $\ell: N \xrightarrow[\omega]{\cong} T^*L$  of prop\* (or rather its inverse). eg. set  $\psi(x, \xi) = \exp_x(\ell^{-1}(\xi))$

Then  $\omega_1 = \psi^* \omega$  agrees pointwise with  $\omega_0$  along zero section

(pointwise: vanishes on zero section since  $\omega|_L = 0$ )

— fiber since  $N$  chosen Lagrangian as well and pairs the two in canonical manner by choice of  $d\psi$ :

given  $x \in L$ ,  $\xi \in T_x^*L \subset T_{(x,0)}^*T^*L$ ,  $w = \ell^{-1}(\xi) \in N_x \subset T_x M$ , we have  
 $v \in T_x L \subset T_{(x,0)} T^*L$

$$\psi^* \omega(\xi, v) = \omega(w, v) = \langle \ell(w), v \rangle = \langle \xi, v \rangle = \omega_0(\xi, v) \quad \checkmark$$

Use Moser's argument again:  $\omega_t = t\omega_1 + (1-t)\omega_0$  is non-deg. (hence symplectic) on some neighborhood of the zero section (shrink  $U_0$  if needed) and  $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt} = \omega_1 - \omega_0 = d\alpha$  for some 1-form  $\alpha$  st.  $\alpha = 0$  along the zero section. (in fact to order 2).

Lemma:  $U \supset L$  tubular nbd,  $\beta \in \Omega^k(U)$ ,  $d\beta = 0$ ,  $\beta|_L = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists \alpha \in \Omega^{k-1}(U)$  st.  $\beta = d\alpha$  and  $\alpha = 0$  at every point of  $L$ .  
 Moreover, if  $\beta = 0$  along  $L$  then can assume  $\alpha$  vanishes to order 2 along  $L$ .

Pf. Identify  $U$  with disc bundle in  $NL$  (here  $\cong T^*L$ ). Retraction  $\rho_t: (x, v) \mapsto (x, tv)$

Define  $\alpha_{(x,v)} = \int_0^1 \rho_t^* (z_{(0,v)} \beta) dt$   
 $\hookrightarrow v \in N_x L \subset T_{(x,tv)}(NL)$ .

Then clearly vanishes along zero section (if  $v=0$ , rhs  $\equiv 0$ )  
 & if  $\beta_{(x,v)} = O(|v|)$  then rhs  $= O(|v|^2)$ .

and  $d\alpha = \int_0^1 \rho_t^* (d z_{x_t} \beta) dt = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} (\rho_t^* \beta) dt = \rho_1^* \beta - \rho_0^* \beta = \beta - 0$   
 $= L_{x_t} \beta \xrightarrow{x_t(x, tv) = v \text{ generating } \rho_t} \beta$  ↑  
assumed

Then let  $v_t$  st.  $L_{v_t} \omega_t = -\alpha$  ( $v_t$  vanish along  $L$ , in fact to order 2)  
 & flow  $\varphi_t$  (well def'd up to  $t=1$  by shrinking  $U_0$  if needed);  $\frac{d}{dt} (\varphi_t^* \omega_t) = 0$ .

Then  $(\varphi_0 \circ \varphi_1)^* \omega = \varphi_1^* (\varphi_0^* \omega) = \varphi_1^* \omega_1 = \omega_0 \rightarrow \varphi := \varphi_0 \circ \varphi_1: U_0 \xrightarrow{\cong} U \cap M$   
 $\cap T^*L \quad \cap M$