

Green bundles : a dynamical study

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FIRST LECTURE :

Basic results on Hamiltonians, Lagrangians, Lipschitz submanifolds, Hamilton-Jacobi equation and minimization properties.

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1 Hamiltonian and Lagrangian formalism

1.1 Symplectic manifold

We assume that M is a d -dimensional manifold endowed with a Riemannian metric and that $\pi : T^*M \rightarrow M$ is its cotangent bundle.

We will denote by λ_0 the Liouville 1-form of T^*M ; if $\varphi : U \subset M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is a chart of M denoted by $\varphi(q) = (q_1, \dots, q_d)$, the dual chart of T^*M is defined on T^*U by $\varphi^*\left(\sum_{i=1}^d p_i dq_i\right) = (q_1, \dots, q_d, p_1, \dots, p_d)$. In such a dual chart (named a *canonical chart*), we have :

$$\lambda_0 = \sum_{i=1}^d p_i dq_i.$$

The manifold T^*M is then endowed with the symplectic form $\omega = -d\lambda_0$. In a canonical chart, we have :

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

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Remark : (1) If M is an open part of \mathbb{R}^d , we may identify T^*M with $M \times \mathbb{R}^d$: for example, for N -body problems, we have global coordinates.

(2) A theoretical result due to A. Weinstein implies that for any compact Lagrangian submanifold¹ \mathcal{L} of a symplectic manifold \mathcal{S} , there exists a neighbourhood \mathcal{N} of \mathcal{L} in \mathcal{S} and a neighbourhood \mathcal{U} of the zero section of $T^*\mathcal{L}$ such that \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{U} are diffeomorphic through a symplectic diffeomorphism fixing each point of \mathcal{L} . In this sense, T^*M is a model of symplectic manifold.

¹We will recall later what is a Lagrangian submanifold.

1.2 Hamiltonian equations

A C^2 function $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ will be called a *Hamiltonian*. The associated *Hamiltonian vector field* X_H is defined by :

$$\forall x \in T^*M, \forall X \in T_x(T^*M), \omega(X_H(x), X) = DH(x).X$$

and the *Hamiltonian flow*, denoted by (φ_t^H) or (φ_t) , is the flow of X_H .

Then, we have :

- $\forall t, \varphi_t^* \omega = \omega$, i.e. the Hamiltonian flow is symplectic (i.e. preserves the symplectic form) ;
- $\forall t, H \circ \varphi_t = H$; the flow preserves the level sets of H .

Moreover, in canonical coordinates, we have :

$$\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(q, p); \quad \dot{p} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}(q, p).$$

1.3 Introduction to the Lagrangian action

In this section, we don't give any precise proof; we only try to introduce the Lagrangian action in a natural way.

We consider the action of the Hamiltonian flow on a set Γ of curves drawn on T^*M which are continuous and piecewise C^1 (for example, Γ may be the set of T -periodic loops for a fixed $T > 0$) :

$$\forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}, \Phi_\varepsilon(\gamma)(t) = \varphi_\varepsilon \circ \gamma(t - \varepsilon).$$

We notice that $\gamma \in \Gamma$ is a fixed point of (Φ_ε) iff γ is an orbit of the flow (φ_t) .

Let us assume that we have a natural definition of the tangent space to Γ ; then we define on Γ a family (Ω_a^b) of 2-forms by :

$$\forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \forall \delta\gamma, \delta\nu \in T_\gamma\Gamma, \Omega_a^b(\delta\gamma, \delta\nu) = \int_a^b \omega(\gamma(t))(\delta\gamma(t), \delta\nu(t))dt$$

and a family of functionals :

$$\mathcal{H}_a^b(\gamma) = \int_a^b H \circ \gamma - \int_a^b \lambda_0(\gamma)(\dot{\gamma})$$

Then we have :

$$\Omega(\dot{\Phi}(\gamma), \delta\gamma) = d\mathcal{H}_a^b(\gamma)\delta\gamma + [\lambda_0(\gamma)\delta\gamma]_a^b.$$

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Remark : if Γ is the set of T -periodic loops, then $[\lambda_0(\gamma)\delta\gamma]_0^T = 0$.

Definition : The C^2 Hamiltonian $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is *monotone* if $\mathcal{L} = H_p : T^*M \rightarrow TM$ is a C^1 -diffeomorphism. Then \mathcal{L} is called the “Legendre map.”

The fixed points of the flow (Φ_ε) , i.e. the orbits of (φ_t) satisfy :

$$0 = \frac{\partial q_\varepsilon}{\partial \varepsilon} \Big|_{\varepsilon=0} = -\dot{q} + H_p(q, p); \quad 0 = \frac{\partial p_\varepsilon}{\partial \varepsilon} \Big|_{\varepsilon=0} = -\dot{p} - H_q(q, p).$$

If H is monotone, the radially transformed subset of Γ is :

$$\mathcal{R} = \{\gamma = (q, p); \dot{q} = H_p(q, p)\} = \{(q, p); p = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(q, \dot{q})\}.$$

If $(q, p) \in \mathcal{R}$, we have : $\mathcal{H}_a^b(q, p) = -\int_a^b L(q, \dot{q})$ where L is the *Lagrangian* associated to H , defined on TM by : $L(q, v) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(q, v) \cdot v - H(\mathcal{L}^{-1}(q, v))$.

The quantity $A_L(q) = \int_a^b L(q, \dot{q})$ is called the *Lagrangian action* of q (restricted to $[a, b]$). We have seen that : $A_L(q) = -\mathcal{H}_a^b(\mathcal{L}^{-1}(q, \dot{q}))$, hence the Lagrangian action represents the restriction of the “Hamiltonian” \mathcal{H}_a^b to the radially transformed set.

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Let us recall some classical properties of the Lagrangian function and action :

Property if H is monotone and $(q, v) = \mathcal{L}(q, p)$, then :

$$v = H_p(q, p); \quad H_q(q, p) = -L_q(q, v); \quad p = L_v(q, v).$$

We deduce immediately from these properties that : L is C^k iff H is C^k .

The Euler-Lagrange flow (f_t^L) is defined on TM by : $f_t^L = \mathcal{L} \circ \varphi_t^H \circ \mathcal{L}^{-1}$. An orbit of this flow is (q, \dot{q}) where $q : I \rightarrow M$ satisfies the so-called Euler-Lagrange equations :

$$\frac{d}{dt} (L_v(q, \dot{q})) = L_q(q, \dot{q}).$$

Then (q, \dot{q}) is an orbit of the Euler-Lagrange flow iff γ is a critical point of the Lagrangian action among the C^1 arcs which have the same ends. Such a solutions is always C^2 .

1.4 More on the monotony property

We only state :

Proposition : (A. Fathi) Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a monotone Hamiltonian and L be the corresponding Lagrangian. Let $K \subset M$ be a compact subset of M and $C > 0$ be a constant.

Then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for every $q \in K$ and every $t \in]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[\setminus \{0\}$: $\pi \circ f_t^L(B_{T_q M}(0, 2C)) \supset B(q, C|t|)$ and $\pi \circ f_t^L|_{B_{T_q M}(0, 2C)}$ is a C^1 diffeomorphism.

2 Lipschitz Lagrangian submanifolds, images of such manifolds and minimization properties

2.1 Lagrangian submanifolds

Lagrangian submanifold : a C^1 submanifold N of T^*M is a Lagrangian submanifold of T^*M if $\dim N = \dim M = d$ and $\omega|_{TN} = 0$; it is equivalent to : for every C^1 loop γ drawn on N and homotopic in N to a point, $\int_\gamma \lambda_0 = 0$; this last equality being also true for Lipschitz arcs, we define :

Lipschitz Lagrangian submanifold : it is a d -dimensional Lipschitz submanifold N such that, for every Lipschitz loop drawn on N and homotopic in N to a point : $\int_\gamma \lambda_0 = 0$. Such a manifold is *exact Lagrangian* if the same equality is true for every Lipschitz loop (not necessarily homotopic to a point) drawn on N . We recall :

Lipschitz submanifold : N is a d -dimensional Lipschitz submanifold of T^*M if for every $x \in M$, there exists a neighbourhood U of x in T^*M , a neighbourhood V of 0 in \mathbb{R}^d , a Lipschitz map $\psi : V \rightarrow V$ and a C^∞ diffeomorphism $F : U \rightarrow V \times V$ such that $F(N \cap U) = \text{graph}(\psi)$.

Lipschitz graph : it is a Lipschitz section of $\pi : T^*M \rightarrow M$. Let us notice that

this notion is stronger than “Lipschitz submanifold which is a section.”

Definition : Let $\eta : M \rightarrow T^*M$ a continuous 1-form. This 1-form is *closed* (in the distribution sense) if for every Lipschitz loop drawn on M which is homotopic to a point, we have : $\int_{\gamma} \eta = 0$. In this definition, we may replace “Lipschitz loop” by “ C^1 -loop”.

The Lipschitz 1-form η is *exact* if for every Lipschitz loop drawn on M , we have : $\int_{\gamma} \eta = 0$.

Proposition : Let $\eta : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Lipschitz 1-form. We denote by \mathcal{G}_{η} the graph of η . Then, \mathcal{G}_{η} is Lipschitz Lagrangian iff η is closed. Moreover, \mathcal{G}_{η} is exact Lagrangian iff η is exact.

Remark : in a similar way, we may define the “ C^0 Lagrangian graphs”, initially introduced by M. Herman.

Definition : let \mathcal{G}_{η} be a Lipschitz Lagrangian graph. The *cohomological class* of \mathcal{G}_{η} is the cohomological class of the 1-form η .

2.2 Images of Lipschitz Lagrangian submanifolds

Proposition : (1) If N is a Lipschitz Lagrangian submanifold of T^*M , then for every t , $\varphi_t(N)$ is a Lipschitz Lagrangian submanifold of T^*M ;

(2) if N is the Lipschitz Lagrangian graph of η and if for a $t \in \mathbb{R}$ $N_t = \varphi_t(N)$ is the Lipschitz Lagrangian graph of η_t , then the cohomological classes are equal : $[\eta] = [\eta_t]$.

Proposition : Let \mathcal{G} be a Lipschitz graph (of η) above a compact part K of M . Then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for every $t \in]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[$, the set $\mathcal{G}_t = \varphi_t(\mathcal{G})$ is a Lipschitz graph above a compact part of M .

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2.3 Hamilton-Jacobi equation and some properties of minimization

Situation : we assume that $U \subset M$ is open and $u : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a $C^{1,1}$ function ; then the graph \mathcal{G} of du is an exact Lipschitz Lagrangian graph. We assume that J is an interval of \mathbb{R} containing 0 and that, for any $t \in J$, $\mathcal{G}_t = \varphi_t(\mathcal{G})$ is a Lipschitz (and then exact Lagrangian) graph.

We denote by U_t the set $\pi(\mathcal{G}_t)$ and we write : $q_t = \pi \circ \varphi_t(du(q))$.

Hamilton-Jacobi equation : if $u_t : U_t \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by :

$$u_t(q_t) = u(q) + \int_0^t L(q_s, \dot{q}_s) ds,$$

then :

- \mathcal{G}_t is the graph of du_t ;
- (H-J) : $\dot{u}_t + H(\cdot, du_t(\cdot)) = 0$.

Hence the Hamilton-Jacobi equation is a partial differential equation (PDE) describing the evolution of an exact Lagrangian graph under the Hamiltonian flow.

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Remarks :

1. We may see in the proof that if $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{t \in J} \{t\} \times U_t$ and $\tilde{u}_t : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $\tilde{u}(t, x) = u_t(x)$, then \mathcal{U} is an open subset of $J \times M$ and \tilde{u} is $C^{1,1}$.
2. If we are interested in Lipschitz Lagrangian graphs which are not exact, for example in those which are in the cohomological class of $\nu : M \rightarrow T^*M$, we obtain that \mathcal{G}_t is the graph of $\nu + du_t$ where the definition of u_t and the Hamilton-Jacobi equation are valuable for the modified Hamiltonian : $H_\nu(q, p) = H(q, p + \nu(q))$ (in this case the modified Lagrangian is : $L_\nu(q, v) = L(q, v) - \nu(q)(v)$).
3. A. Fathi proved that every C^1 -solution of the H.-J. equation is in fact $C^{1,1}$.

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We will now assume some additional hypotheses :

Definition : Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be C^2 . We say that H is a Tonelli Hamiltonian if :

1. H is superlinear in the fiber :

$$\forall q \in M, \lim_{\|p\| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H(q, p)}{\|p\|} = +\infty;$$

2. H is strictly convex in the fiber : $\forall (q, p) \in T^*M, H_{p,p}(q, p)$ is positive definite.

Proposition : *If H is a Tonelli Hamiltonian, then it is monotone.*

Proposition : *Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Let \mathcal{G} be a Lipschitz exact Lagrangian graph above an open subset U of M such that, for every $t \in [0, \Delta]$, the set $\mathcal{G}_t = \varphi_t(\mathcal{G})$ is a Lipschitz graph.*

then, for every $q_0 \in U$, if $\gamma_0(s) = \pi \circ \varphi_s(q_0)$, for every continuous $\gamma : [0, \Delta] \rightarrow M$ which is piecewise C^1 and such that :

- $\gamma(0) = \gamma_0(0)$ and $\gamma(\Delta) = \gamma_0(\Delta)$;
- $\forall t \in [0, \Delta], \gamma(t) \in U_t = \pi(\mathcal{G}_t)$;

we have : $A_L(\gamma_0) \leq A_L(\gamma)$, with equality iff $\gamma = \gamma_0$.

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Corollary 1 : *Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian , let \mathcal{G} be an exact Lagrangian Lipschitz graph above M and let I be an interval of \mathbb{R} containing 0 such that for every $t \in J$, $\varphi_t(\mathcal{G})$ is a Lipschitz graph. Then every arc of orbit $(\varphi_t(x_0))_{t \in I}$ with initial condition x_0 in \mathcal{G} is strictly minimizing with fixed ends.*

Corollary 2 : *(Weierstrass) Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian, let $K \subset M$ be a compact subset of M and let $C > 0$ be a constant. There exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for every $q_0 \in K$, every $t \in]0, \varepsilon[$, every $q \in M$ such that $d(q_0, q) \leq Ct$, there exists a strict minimizer of the Lagrangian action joining $(0, q_0)$ to (t, q) . Moreover, such a γ is a solution of the Euler-Lagrange equations.*

SECOND LECTURE :

Lagrangian subbundles.

3 Links with the Lagrangian bundles

We fix a Lagrangian subbundle of $T(T^*M)$, called the *vertical bundle* : $\forall x \in T^*M, V(x) = \ker D\pi^*(x)$.

3.1 On the Lagrangian bundles which are transverse to the vertical

Notation : \mathcal{L}_V is the bundle of the Lagrangian linear spaces which are transverse to the vertical.

Introduction of an order relation : if $x \in T^*M$ and $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_V(x)$, the *height* of L_2 above L_1 (relatively to $V(x)$) is the quadratic form $Q(L_1, L_2)$ defined on $E_x = T_x(T^*M)/V(x)$ (which is isomorphic to $T_{\pi(x)}M$) by :

$$\forall X \in E_x, Q(L_1, L_2)(X) = \omega((p_{|L_1})^{-1}(X), (p_{|L_2})^{-1}(X))$$

where $p : T(T^*M) \rightarrow E$ is the projection.

Then :

- we say : L_2 is *above* L_1 and write $L_1 \leq L_2$ when $Q(L_1, L_2)$ is positive ;
- we say : L_2 is *strictly above* L_1 and write $L_1 < L_2$ when $Q(L_1, L_2)$ is positive definite.

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Proposition : We have :

- $\forall L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_V(x), Q(L_1, L_2) = -Q(L_2, L_1)$;
- $\forall L_1, L_2, L_3 \in \mathcal{L}_V(x), Q(L_1, L_2) + Q(L_2, L_3) = Q(L_1, L_3)$.

We deduce from this result that \leq is a preorder relation on $\mathcal{L}_V(x)$ (i.e. reflexive and transitive).

Let us denote the set of quadratic forms of E by $\mathcal{Q}(E)$.

Proposition : Let us fix $L \in \mathcal{L}_V(x)$. Then the map $Q(L, \cdot) : \mathcal{L}_V(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(E_x)$ is a homeomorphism. Moreover :

$$\forall L' \in \mathcal{L}_V(x), L \cap L' = (p_{|L})^{-1}(\ker Q(L, L')) = (p_{|L'})^{-1}(\ker Q(L, L')).$$

Hence \leq is an order relation (antisymmetric).

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We assume that K is a subset of T^*M and that $\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2 \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$ are two Lagrangian subbundles of $T(T^*M)$ above K , we write $\mathcal{L}_1 < \mathcal{L}_2$ (resp. $\mathcal{L}_1 \leq \mathcal{L}_2$) if for every $x \in K$, we have : $\mathcal{L}_1(x) < \mathcal{L}_2(x)$ (resp. $\mathcal{L}_1(x) \leq \mathcal{L}_2(x)$).

First examples of Lagrangian bundles : If K is a C^1 Lagrangian submanifold of T^*M , its tangent bundle is a Lagrangian subbundle of $T(T^*M)$.

If K is the graph of a Lipschitz closed 1-form η , the set D of differentiability points of η is a dense subset of M ; let us define $K_D = \eta(D)$. Then at every point of K_D there exists a tangent space to K_D , which belongs to $\mathcal{L}_V(K_D)$.

Definition Let $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$. We say that \mathcal{L} is *upper semi-continuous* (u.s.c.) (resp. *lower semi-continuous* (l.s.c.)) if for every $\mathcal{L}_1 \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$ which is continuous, then $\{x \in K; \mathcal{L}(x) < \mathcal{L}_1(x)\}$ (resp. $\{x \in K; \mathcal{L}_1(x) < \mathcal{L}(x)\}$) is open in K .

Proposition Let $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$. Then :

- the bundle \mathcal{L} is continuous iff it is u.s.c. and l.s.c.;
- if \mathcal{L} is the (simple) limit of an increasing sequence of l.s.c. bundles of $\mathcal{L}_V(K)$, then \mathcal{L} is l.s.c.

Proposition Let $\mathcal{L}_-, \mathcal{L}_+ \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$ such that :

- the bundle \mathcal{L}_+ is u.s.c.;
- the bundle \mathcal{L}_- is l.s.c.;
- $\mathcal{L}_- \leq \mathcal{L}_+$.

Then $G = \{x \in K; \mathcal{L}_-(x) = \mathcal{L}_+(x)\}$ is a G_δ subset of K . Moreover, if $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}_V(K)$ is such that $\mathcal{L}_- \leq \mathcal{L} \leq \mathcal{L}_+$, then \mathcal{L} is continuous at every point of G .

3.2 Images of the vertical in the convex case

Proposition Let $K \subset T^*M$ be compact and $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for every $x_0 \in K$, for every $t \in]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[\setminus \{0\}$, the Lagrangian subspace $G_t(x_0) = D\varphi_t.V(\varphi_{-t}x_0)$ is transverse to the vertical $V(x_0)$ and such that :

$$\forall -\varepsilon \leq s' < s < 0 < t < t' \leq \varepsilon, \quad G_s(x_0) < G_{s'}(x_0) < G_{t'}(x_0) < G_t(x_0).$$

The proof use the following result :

Lemma Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Let $x_0 \in T^*M$ and $I = [-T, T']$ be such that :

$$\forall t, s \in I, t \neq s \quad \text{and} \quad t.s \geq 0 \Rightarrow G_t(x_0) \cap G_s(x_0) = \{0\}.$$

Then :

$$\forall -T \leq s' < s < 0 < t < t' \leq T', G_s(x_0) < G_{s'}(x_0) < G_{t'}(x_0) < G_t(x_0).$$

3.3 The notion of conjugate points

Definition Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. The points $(x_1; t_1), (x_2; t_2) \in T^*M \times \mathbb{R}$ are *conjugate* if :

$$D\varphi_{t_2-t_1}V(x_1) \cap V(x_2) \neq \{0\}.$$

In other words, $(x_1; t_1)$ and $(x_2; t_2)$ are conjugate if $\varphi_{t_2-t_1}(x_1) = x_2$ and there exists an infinitesimal orbit $\delta x = (\delta q, \delta p)$ (“infinitesimal” means for the linearized flow) along $(\varphi_t(x_1))_{t \in [0, t_2-t_1]}$ which is not the zero infinitesimal solution and such that $\delta q(0) = \delta q(t_2 - t_1) = 0$.

Proposition Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. If $(x_0; t_0) \in T^*M \times \mathbb{R}$ and if I is an interval containing t_0 , the two following sentences are equivalent :

1. there is no pair of conjugate points on $(\varphi_{t-t_0}(x_0), t)_{t \in I}$;
2. for all $t \neq s$ in \mathbb{R}^* such that $t_0 - t, t_0 - s \in I$, then $G_t(x_0) \cap G_s(x_0) = \{0\}$.

Theorem Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. We consider $x_0 \in T^*M$ and an interval $I \subset \mathbb{R}$. The three first following propositions are equivalent; if I is open, the fourth proposition is equivalent to the others :

1. for every $[a, b] \subset I$, there exists a Lagrangian bundle along $(\varphi_t(x_0), t)_{t \in [a, b]}$ which is invariant under $(D\varphi_t)$ and transverse to the vertical;
2. for every $[a, b] \subset I$, there exists a family of exact Lagrangian C^1 graphs $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \in [a, b]}$ above some open subsets U_t of M such that : $\forall t \in [a, b], \varphi_t(x_0) \in \mathcal{G}_t$ and $\forall s, t, \varphi_{t-s}(\mathcal{G}_s) = \mathcal{G}_t$;
3. there is no conjugate point along $(\varphi_t(x_0); t)_{t \in [a, b]}$;
4. for every $[a, b] \subset I$, the orbit $(\varphi_t(x_0))_{t \in [a, b]}$ is locally minimizing, i.e. if $\gamma_0(t) = \pi \circ \varphi_t(x_0)$, there exists a neighbourhood U_0 of γ_0 in C^0 topology such that, for every $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow M$ in U_0 which is continuous and piecewise C^1 and has the same ends as γ_0 :

$$\int_a^b L(\gamma_0(t), \dot{\gamma}_0(t)) dt \leq \int_a^b L(\gamma(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) dt$$

with equality if and only if $\gamma_0 = \gamma$.

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Proposition We assume that H satisfies the four equivalent assumptions of the theorem. We assume that $[a, b] \subset I$ and that $(L^t)_{t \in [a, b]}$ is an invariant Lagrangian bundle along $(\varphi_t(x_0))_{t \in [a, b]}$ which is transverse to the vertical. Then :

$$\forall a \leq t_1 < t < t_2 \leq b, G_{t-t_2}(\varphi_t(x_0)) < L^t < G_{t-t_1}(\varphi_t(x_0)).$$

Hence in this case the images of the vertical allows us to bound L^t from above and below.

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4 Green bundles

4.1 Construction of the Green bundles

Proposition *Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Let $x_0 \in T^*M$. Then :*

- *if $(\varphi_t(x_0))_{t>0}$ has no conjugate point, then for every $s > 0$, $(G_{-t}(\varphi_s(x_0)))_{t>0}$ is a strictly increasing family of Lagrangian subspaces which are transverse to the vertical; moreover, we can define $G_-(\varphi_s(x_0)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} G_{-t}(\varphi_s(x_0))$; then G_- is a Lagrangian subbundle which is transverse to the vertical; on its set of definition, G_- is l.s.c;*
- *if $(\varphi_t(x_0))_{t<0}$ has no conjugate point, then for every $s < 0$, $(G_t(\varphi_s(x_0)))_{t>0}$ is a strictly decreasing family of Lagrangian subspaces which are transverse to the vertical; moreover, we can define $G_+(\varphi_s(x_0)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} G_t(\varphi_s(x_0))$; then G_+ is a Lagrangian subbundle which is transverse to the vertical; on its set of definition, G_+ is u.s.c;*
- *if $\mathcal{C} = \{x; (\varphi_t(x))_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \text{ has no conjugate point}\}$, G_- and G_+ are defined on \mathcal{C} , $G_- \leq G_+$ and G_- and G_+ are invariant by $(D\varphi_t)$.*

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Definition The bundles G_- and G_+ are the *Green bundles*.

Proposition Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Then :

1. if there exists a Lagrangian subbundle \mathcal{L} of $T(T^*M)$ along $(\varphi_t(x_0); t)_{t>0}$ which is transverse to the vertical and invariant under $(D\varphi_t)$, then :

$$\forall t > 0, G_-(\varphi_t(x_0)) \leq \mathcal{L}(\varphi_t(x_0); t);$$

2. if there exists a Lagrangian subbundle \mathcal{L} of $T(T^*M)$ along $(\varphi_t(x_0); t)_{t<0}$ which is transverse to the vertical and invariant under $(D\varphi_t)$, then :

$$\forall t < 0, \mathcal{L}(\varphi_t(x_0); t) \leq G_+(\varphi_t(x_0)).$$

4.2 A dynamical criterion

Proposition Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. We consider $x \in T^*M$ whose orbit is relatively compact, $v \in T_x(T^*M)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then :

- if $(\varphi_t(x))_{t>-\varepsilon}$ has no conjugate point, if $v \notin G_-(x)$, then :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|D(\pi \circ \varphi_t)(x)v\| = +\infty;$$

- if $(\varphi_t(x))_{t<\varepsilon}$ has no conjugate point, if $v \notin G_+(x)$, then :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|D(\pi \circ \varphi_{-t})(x)v\| = +\infty.$$

Consequences : 1) Let us assume that $K \subset T^*M$ is invariant under (φ_t) , has no conjugate point and is such that $(D\varphi_t|_{T_K(T^*M)})$ is partially hyperbolic with a decomposition :

$$T_x(T^*M) = E^s(x) \oplus E^c(x) \oplus E^u(x).$$

Then $E^s(x) \subset G_-(x)$ and $E^u(x) \subset G_+(x)$.

2) If the orbit of x is relatively compact, with no conjugate point and non critical, then :

$$\mathbb{R}X_H(x) \subset G_-(x) \cap G_+(x).$$

4.3 The reduced Green bundles

Let us introduce some notations/assumptions :

- we consider a level set $\mathcal{E} = H^{-1}(c)$ and a subset $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{E}$ which is invariant and such that : $\forall x \in \mathcal{F}, X_H(x) \notin V(x)$.

We define a bundle F above \mathcal{F} whose fiber is $F(x) = T_x\mathcal{E}/\mathbb{R}X_H(x)$. The corresponding projection is denoted by $p : F \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$.

- The symplectic product Ω is defined on F by :

$$\forall u, v \in T_x\mathcal{E}, \Omega(p(u), p(v)) = \omega(u, v).$$

The vertical is $v(x) = p(V(x) \cap T_x\mathcal{E})$ and is Lagrangian (because X_H is not vertical). Then we will be interested in the heights relatively to $v(x)$.

- As we have : $D\varphi_t\mathbb{R}X_H(x) = \mathbb{R}X_H(\varphi_t x)$, we may define the reduced cocycle M_t on \mathcal{F} .

We assume that $x \in \mathcal{F}$; we have : $\forall t, X_H(x) \notin G_t(x)$ (because X_H is not vertical); hence, $g_t(x) = p(G_t(x) \cap T_x\mathcal{E})$ is a Lagrangian subspace of $F(x)$. Moreover, we have : $g_t(x) = M(\varphi_{-t}x)v(\varphi_{-t}x)$.

Lemma Let $x \in \mathcal{F}$ be such that its orbit has no conjugate point; then, for every $t \neq 0$, $g_t(x)$ is transverse to $v(x)$.

A direct consequence is that, with the same assumptions as in the lemma, for every $t \neq t'$, the two spaces $g_t(x)$ and $g_{t'}(x)$ are transverse.

Proposition We assume that $x \in \mathcal{F}$ has no conjugate point; Then :

1. $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}^*$, $g_t(x)$ is transverse to $v(x)$;
2. $\forall s' < s < 0 < t < t'$, $g_s(x) < g_{s'}(x) < g_{t'}(x) < g_t(x)$.

As in the non reduced case, we deduce that if $x \in \mathcal{F}$ has no conjugate point :

- then $g_-(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} g_t(x)$ and $g_+(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} g_t(x)$ are two Lagrangian subspaces of $F(x)$ such that $g_- \leq g_+$ and : $\forall t, M_t(g_{\pm}(x)) = g_{\pm}(\varphi_t x)$.

- if $K \subset \mathcal{F}$ is invariant under (φ_t) and has no conjugate point, then g_+ is u.s.c, g_- is l.s.c. and $\mathcal{G} = \{x \in K; g_-(x) = g_+(x)\}$ is a G_δ subset of K such that g_- and g_+ are continuous at every point of \mathcal{G} . Moreover, if g is any Lagrangian subbundle of F above K such that $g_- \leq g \leq g_+$, then g is continuous at every point of \mathcal{G} .

- Let g be a Lagrangian subbundle of F above $\{\varphi_t x; t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ such that :

1. $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, $g(\varphi_t x)$ is transverse to $v(\varphi_t x)$;
2. $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, $g(\varphi_t x) = M_t(g(x))$.

Then : $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, $g_-(\varphi_t x) \leq g(\varphi_t x) \leq g_+(\varphi_t x)$.

We have a dynamical criterion too :

Proposition *We assume that $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{E}$ is invariant by the Hamiltonian flow, has no conjugate point, is compact and such that the angle between the Hamiltonian vectorfield X_H and the vertical is uniformly bounded from below when it is defined (i.e. when $X_H \neq 0$). Then, for every $x \in \mathcal{F}$ and $v \in T_x\mathcal{E}$:*

- *if $v \notin G_-(x)$, then : $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|p(D\varphi_t(x)v)\| = +\infty$;*
- *if $v \notin G_+(x)$, then : $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|p(D\varphi_{-t}(x)v)\| = +\infty$.*

4.4 A characterization of hyperbolicity

Proposition *Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian and K be a compact subset invariant by (φ_t) which is contained in an energy level \mathcal{E} , with no conjugate point and such that : $\forall x \in K, X_H(x) \notin V(x)$. Then the two following properties are equivalent :*

- *$(D\varphi_t)$ restricted to $T\mathcal{E}|_K$ is hyperbolic ;*
- *On K , g_- and g_+ are transverse.*

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5 Regularity of the Lipschitz Lagrangian invariant graphs

5.1 Generalized tangent vectors and cones

Definition Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be open and $h : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a topological embedding. If $x \in U$, $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a generalized tangent vector to h at x if there exists some sequences $(x_k) \in U$, $(t_k) \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k = 0$ and :

$$w = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t_k} (h(x_k) - h(x)).$$

The set of those vectors is denoted by $T_x^G h$, it is a cone named *tangent cone* at x .

Proposition If $\psi : (\mathbb{R}^n, h(x)) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, \psi(h(x)))$ is a diffeomorphism and $\varphi : (\mathbb{R}^d, \varphi^{-1}(x)) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^d, x)$ is a homeomorphism, then :

$$T_{\varphi^{-1}(x)}^G (\psi \circ h \circ \varphi) = D\psi(h(x)) T_x^G h.$$

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Definition Let us assume that N is the graph of a Lipschitz 1-form λ of M . We define : $T_x^G N = T_{\pi(x)}^G \lambda$ is the *generalized tangent space* to N at x . An element of $T_x^G N$ is called a “generalized tangent vector” to N at x .
Let us notice that in general, $T_x^G N$ is a cone, not a linear space.

Corollary *If λ is a Lipschitz 1-form of M , if ϕ is a diffeomorphism of T^*M such that $\phi(N) = N$, then :*

$$\forall q \in M, T_{\phi(\lambda(q))}^G N = D\phi(\lambda(q))T_{\lambda(q)}^G N.$$

Proposition *Let N be the Lipschitz graph of $\lambda : M \rightarrow T^*M$. Then :*

1. $\forall x \in N, D\pi(T_x^G N) = T_{\pi(x)}M$;
2. *if $q \in M$ is such that $T_{\lambda(q)}^G N$ is contained in a d -plane P , then λ is differentiable at q and $T_{\lambda(q)}N = P$.*

5.2 Generalized derivative and generalized tangent planes

Definition Let M, N be two Riemannian manifolds and $\lambda : M \rightarrow N$ be a Lipschitz map. Then the set D of points of M where λ has a derivative is a dense subset of M . If $x \in M$, the *generalized derivative* of λ at x is the convex hull of the limits of the sequences $(D\lambda(x_k))$ where $x_k \in D$ and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$. This set is denoted by $D^G\lambda(x)$.

Then $D^G\lambda(x)$ is compact, convex and non empty.

Proposition *Let $\lambda : M \rightarrow N$ be bi-Lipschitz and let $q \in M$. Then :*

$$T_q^G \lambda \subset \{Lv; v \in T_q M, L \in D^G\lambda(q)\} = \bigcup_{L \in D^G\lambda(q)} L(T_q M).$$

Corollary *Let $\lambda : M \rightarrow T^*M$ be a Lipschitz 1 form. The two following assertions are equivalent :*

- (i) $D^G\lambda(q)$ has only one element ;
- (ii) λ is differentiable at q and q is a point of continuity of λ .

Definition we assume that $\mathcal{G} \subset T^*M$ is the graph of $\lambda : M \rightarrow T^*M$ which is Lipschitz. A *generalized tangent plane* to \mathcal{G} at $\lambda(q)$ is $\text{Im}(L) = L(T_qM)$ where $L \in D^G\lambda(q)$.

Proposition Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Let $\lambda : M \rightarrow T^*M$ be a Lipschitz closed 1-form of M whose graph is invariant by the Hamiltonian flow (φ_t) of H . Then :

$$\forall q \in M, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}_+, \forall L \in D^G\lambda(x), G_{-t}(\lambda(q)) < L(T_qM) < G_t(\lambda(q)).$$

5.3 Regularity of the invariant graphs for $d = 2$

Definition if $X_H(x) = 0$, the singularity x is non degenerate if $DX_H(x)$ has no double eigenvalue.

Theorem Let M be a compact surface and $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian. Let \mathcal{G} be the Lipschitz Lagrangian graph of λ which is invariant by the Hamiltonian flow of H .

We assume that every singularity of H belonging to \mathcal{G} is non degenerate. Then , there is a dense G_δ subset D of M which has full Lebesgue measure and is such that at every point of D , λ is C^1 .

Remarks : we proved a similar result for the symplectic twists of $\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$: every invariant C^0 graph is C^1 on a set with full measure.

5.4 More results on the regularity

Theorem Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian and let \mathcal{G} be a Lipschitz Lagrangian graph invariant by the Hamiltonian flow (φ_t) of H .

We assume that there exists $(t_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} t_n = +\infty$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} t_{-n} = -\infty$ and $(\varphi_{t_k}|_{\mathcal{G}})_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is equi-Lipschitz. Then \mathcal{G} is C^1 .

Corollary Let $H : T^*\mathbb{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Tonelli Hamiltonian and let \mathcal{G} be a Lipschitz Lagrangian graph invariant by the Hamiltonian flow (φ_t) of H .

We assume that $\varphi_1|_{\mathcal{G}}$ is bi-Lipschitz conjugate to a rotation of \mathbb{T}^d . then \mathcal{G} is C^1 .

Definition a Tonelli Hamiltonian $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is C^0 -integrable if there exists a partition \mathcal{P} of T^*M in C^0 -Lagrangian graphs invariant by the Hamiltonian flow such that the map $\mathcal{P} \rightarrow H^1(M)$ is surjective.

Theorem Let $H : T^*M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a C^0 -integrable Tonelli Hamiltonian and let $\Lambda_1 \subset \Lambda_1(M)$ be such that $\{\mathcal{G}_\lambda; \lambda \in \Lambda_1\}$ is a partition of T^*M in C^0 Lagrangian invariant graphs. Then there exists a dense G_δ subset $G(H)$ of Λ_1 such that every $\lambda \in G(H)$ is C^1 .

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