

Talk 4 | Open Diff V -invariant Differential relations

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1 | Natural fibrations

Definition: ($\text{Diff}_V X$)

Given a fibration $p: X \rightarrow V$, we say $h_X \in \text{Diff } X$ is **fiberpreserving** or $h_X \in \text{Diff}_V X$ if $\exists h_V \in \text{Diff } V$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{h_X} & X \\ p \downarrow & \searrow G & \downarrow p \\ V & \xrightarrow{h_V} & V \end{array}$$

Remark: $\text{Diff}_V X \leq \text{Diff } X$ (as groups)

Q: We want to know when the fibration $\text{Diff}_V X \rightarrow \text{Diff } V$, $h_X \mapsto h_V$ has a canonical section.

This would mean that the action of $\text{Diff } V$ on V can be canonically lifted to an action of $\text{Diff}_V X$ on X .

[This lifting should also hold for the local diffeomorphism (pseudo-)groups.]

Definition: (natural fibration)

We call $p: X \rightarrow V$ **natural** if $\forall$ diffeomorphisms $h: U \rightarrow W$ between open $U, W \subseteq V: \exists$ a fiberpreserving $h_*: p^{-1}(U) \rightarrow p^{-1}(W)$ s.t. $\forall$ given

$$U \xrightarrow{h} U' \xrightarrow{h'} U''$$

we have

- $(h' \circ h)_* = h'_* \circ h_*$
- $\forall v \in V$ the germ of h_* along $p^{-1}(v)$ depends only on the germ of h at v .

Recall: Two functions are said to be in the same **germ** if there exists a nbhd where they agree.

Remark: The second property allows us to extend our previous lifting to local diffeos. We will call lifts of local diffeos **fiberwise isomorphisms**.

examples of natural fiber bundles:

1) **trivial bundle** $V \times W \rightarrow V$ is natural

$$\hookrightarrow h_* = h \times \text{id}_W$$

2) **tangent bundle** $TV \longrightarrow V$ is natural

$$\hookrightarrow h_* = dh : TU \longrightarrow TU' \text{ for } h: U \longrightarrow U'$$

3) **cotangent bundle** $T^*V \longrightarrow V$ is natural

$$\hookrightarrow h_* = (dh^*)^{-1} : T^*U \longrightarrow T^*U' \text{ for } h: U \longrightarrow U'$$

4) **Jet bundles**

$X \longrightarrow V$ is natural $\Rightarrow X^{(r)} \longrightarrow V$ is natural

$$\hookrightarrow h_*^{(r)} : (X|_U)^{(r)} \longrightarrow (X'|_{U'})^{(r)} \text{ is given by}$$

$$h_*^{(r)}(s) = \int_{h_* \circ \bar{s} \circ h^{-1}}^r (h(v))$$

$\uparrow$
 $h_* \circ \bar{s} \circ h^{-1} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \tilde{p}^{-1}(v)$

with $s \in X^{(r)}$, $v = p^r(s) \in V$, $\bar{s} : \mathcal{U}_p v \rightarrow X$ local section near v which represents the r -jet s , i.e. $J_{\bar{s}}^r(v) = s$

Proposition: (Universal natural principle bundle $P^D(V)$)

For any n -dim. manifold V there is a canonical natural principal $D_0(n)$ -bundle $P^D(V)$ such that all natural bundles over V are associated with $P^D(V)$ for some representation of $D_0(n)$ in the group of automorphisms of their standard fibers.

group of germs of diffeos $(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, 0)$ fixing 0

Moreover, any local diffeo $h: V \longrightarrow V'$ lifts to a fiberwise isomorphism

$$P^D(h) := h_* : P^D(V) \longrightarrow P^D(V')$$

such that $P^D(h' \circ h) = P^D(h') \circ P^D(h)$ for any two local diffeos

$$V \xrightarrow{h} V' \xrightarrow{h'} V''$$

Remarks: • P^D is a functor from the category of n -dim. manifolds and local diffeos to natural $D_0(n)$ -principal bundles over n -dim. bases and fiberwise isomorphisms.

• in the same sense we can then redefine the notion of natural fibration in two equivalent ways:

- as any fibration over an n -dim. base V with standard fiber W associated with the $D_0(n)$ -principal fibration $P^D(V) \longrightarrow V$ wrt. an action of $D_0(n)$ on W

- as a covariant functor $F: \mathcal{M}_n \longrightarrow \mathcal{FM}_n$
from n -mfd's $\neq$ local diffeos $\longrightarrow$ smooth fibrations over n -mfd's
 $\neq$ fiberwise isomorphisms

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{i.e. } V_1, \\ h: V_1 \rightarrow V_2 \end{array} \mapsto \begin{array}{l} p_V: F(V) \rightarrow V, \\ F(h): F(V_1) \longrightarrow F(V_2) \end{array} \right)$$

s.t. if $\overset{\text{open}}{U} \xrightarrow{i} V$ inclusion then $p_U: F(U) \rightarrow U$

satisfies $p_u = p_v|_{p_v^{-1}(u)} : p_v^{-1}(u) \rightarrow U$ and $F(i)$ is the inclusion of total spaces $\leadsto V \xrightarrow{\text{Id}} V$ lifts to $F(U) \xrightarrow{\text{Id}} F(U)$.

proof:

Recall from topology 3:

- For all fiber bundles $p: E \rightarrow B$ over connected bases the so called **standard fiber** is a fixed space F which can be used wlog. for all local trivializations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E|_U & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & U \times F \\ p \searrow & & \swarrow \text{proj}_1 \\ & U & \end{array}$$

this could be a different space for every single $x \in B$ but since all the fibers are homeomorphic we just fix one F

- A **principal G -bundle** is a fiber bundle $p: P \rightarrow B$ together with a (smooth) right action

$P \times G \rightarrow P$ such that G preserves the fibers of P and G is a (Lie) group which

($\forall x, y \exists g \in G: g \cdot x = y$)
acting **freely and transitively** on the fibers.
(no nontrivial element fixes any point)

$\hookrightarrow$ in particular: each fiber is (diffeo)morphic to G

$\hookrightarrow$ the orbits of the G -action are precisely the fibers and $P/G \cong B$

- Every G -bundle $E \rightarrow B$ with std. fiber F can be "recovered" (up to G -bundle iso)

from a principal bundle $P \rightarrow B$. The bundle $p: E \rightarrow B$ is then isomorphic to the

so called **associated bundle** $P \times_G F \rightarrow B$ given by

$$P \times_G F := (P \times F)/G, \quad g \cdot (p, f) := (pg, g^{-1}f)$$

*comes from a left action
 $\downarrow G \times F \rightarrow F$*

together with the projection $P \times_G F \rightarrow B$ inherited by $P \rightarrow B$.

Now we actually start the proof.

For an n -mfld. V consider the space $P^D(V)$ of pairs (v, φ) where $v \in V$ and φ is the germ of a diffeomorphism $(Op_{\mathbb{R}^n} 0, 0) \longrightarrow (Op_V^v, v)$.

The group $D_0(n)$ acts freely on $P^D(V)$ by $\delta \cdot (v, \varphi) = (v, \varphi \circ \delta^{-1})$ and the orbits of this action are the fibers of the proj. $(v, \varphi) \mapsto v$. $\Rightarrow P^D(V) \longrightarrow V$ is a principal $D_0(n)$ -bundle ✓

(or alternatively, the fiber over v is the set of germs of diffeos from $\mathbb{R}^n$ to V mapping 0 to v mod $D(n)$.

so basically all coordinate charts at v in the fiber)

Any local diffeo $h: V \rightarrow V'$ lifts to a fiberwise isomorphism $P^D(h): P^D(V) \rightarrow P^D(V')$ by

$$P^D(h)(v, \varphi) = (h(v), h \circ \varphi) \quad [\text{observe that: } P^D(h' \circ h) = P^D(h) \circ P^D(h)]$$

Which makes $P^D(V) \rightarrow V$ a natural principal fiber bundle with std. fiber $D_0(n)$. ✓

Discussion on the topology of $P^D(V)$: (Whitney topology)

For a domain $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ identify $P^D(U)$ with $U \times D_0(n)$ via parallel transport. We endow $D_0(n)$ with the C^∞ -topology and use this identification to define the product top.

on $P^D(U)$. Choose a coord. atlas $\{(U_i, \varphi_i)\}$ for V , where $\varphi_i: U_i \rightarrow G_i := \varphi_i(U_i) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

and let $h_{ij} := \varphi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1}: G_{ij} \rightarrow G_{ji} = \varphi_j(U_i \cap U_j)$ be the transition maps.

$\leadsto$ construct $P^D(V)$ by gluing $P^D(G_i)$ and $P^D(G_j)$ with $P^D(h_{ij})$ gluing map.

Ultimately we will show that any natural fiber bundle $p: X \rightarrow V$ is associated with

the principal bundle $P^D(V) \rightarrow V$.

Fix $v_0 \in V$ and denote $W := p^{-1}(v_0) \subseteq X$. By fixing any diffeo $f_0: (Op_{\mathbb{R}^n} 0, 0) \rightarrow (Op_V v_0, v_0)$

we define an action δ_* of $D_0(n)$ on W by $\delta_* w := (f_0 \circ \delta \circ f_0^{-1})_* w$, $w \in W$.
 $\uparrow$ lift to a fiber-preserving iso

Then define $\Phi: P^D(V) \times W \rightarrow X$ as follows. Given $(v, \varphi) \in P^D(V)$ and $w \in W$ consider the

germ of $\bar{\varphi} := \varphi \circ f_0^{-1}: (Op_V v_0, v_0) \rightarrow (Op_{\mathbb{R}^n} 0, 0) \rightarrow (Op_V v, v)$

and define $\Phi((v, \varphi), w) = (\bar{\varphi})_* w \in p^{-1}(v) \subseteq X$.

Observe: $\Phi((v, \varphi), w) = \Phi((v', \varphi'), w') \Leftrightarrow v = v', \exists \delta \in D_0(n): \varphi = \varphi' \circ \delta \text{ and } \delta_* w = w'.$
(transitivity)

Therefore Φ descends to an isomorphism

$$P^D(V) \times_{D_0(n)} W \xrightarrow{\cong} X.$$

□

Finiteness theorem:

Denote by $L^r(n)$ the group of r -jets at 0 of diffeomorphisms in $D_0(n)$. $L^1(n) = GL(n)$, $L^0(n) = \{1\}$.

Similarly to the construction of the $D_0(n)$ -principal bundle

we can construct a principal $L^r(n)$ -bundle $P^r(V) \rightarrow V$.

Where $P^r(V)$ consists of pairs (v, φ) $v \in V$ and φ is the r -jet of a diffeo $(Op_{\mathbb{R}^n} 0, 0) \rightarrow (Op_V v, v)$ at $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

In particular, $P^1(V)$ is the principal $GL(n)$ -bundle of tangent n -frames associated to the tangent bundle TV .

$\forall r \geq 0$ $P^r(V) \rightarrow V$ is associated with $P^D(V) \rightarrow V$

wrt. the canonical projection $Do(n) \rightarrow L^r(n)$, thus natural.

According to the finiteness theorem (Palais and Terng)

we even get the converse statement:

The structure group of a natural fiber bundle $X \rightarrow V$ always coincides with $L^r(n)$ for some $r = r(X)$,

i.e. for any $v \in V$ the actions of two germs

$$f_1, f_2 : \mathcal{O}_p V \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_p V' \quad , \quad v' = f_1(v) = f_2(v)$$

coincide if $J_{f_1}^r(v) = J_{f_2}^r(v)$.

Hence, all natural bundles over V with a fiber W are in bijective correspondence with smooth left actions of the jet groups $L^r(n)$ on W . ($r = 0, 1, \dots$)

2 | Diff V -invariant differential relations

Recall that if $X \rightarrow V$ is natural so is $X^{(r)} \rightarrow V$.

A differential relation $R \subseteq X^{(r)}$ is called

Diff V -invariant if the action $s \mapsto h_*^{(r)}(s)$

for any local diffeomorphism $h: U \rightarrow U'$, $U, U' \subseteq V$ leaves R invariant.

"prolonged action"

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ j^r(g) \cdot R \subseteq R \\ \uparrow (*) \end{array}$$

Remark: A Diff V -invariant $R \subseteq X^{(r)}$ is a natural subbundle of the natural fiber bundle $X^{(r)}$.

Or alternatively, $\mathcal{R}$ is $\text{Diff } V$ -invariant if it can be defined in a V -coordinate ^(*) free form.

↑ since it looks the same in all coord. systems

The action $s \mapsto h_*^{(r)}(s)$ preserves the set of holonomic sections:

$$h_*^{(r)}(J_f^r(v)) = J_{h_* \circ f \circ h^{-1}}^r(h(v))$$

for $f \in \text{Sec } X$, $h \in \text{Diff } V$.

$\hookrightarrow \text{Diff } V$ acts on $\text{Sol } \mathcal{R}$ of a $\text{Diff } V$ -inv. $\mathcal{R}$.

Recall from the previous proof that any natural bundle $X \rightarrow V$ over a n -mfld. V is determined by an action of $\text{Do}(n)$ on W , call it α . This α lifts to an action α^r of $\text{Do}(n)$ on W^r (standard fiber of $X^{(r)}$), which is the space of r -jets at 0 of maps $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow W$.

↑ the same as an r -jet "gives up to order r "

A $\text{Diff } V$ -invariant relation $\mathcal{R} \subseteq X^{(r)}$ is determined by a subset $R \subseteq W^r$ which is invariant wrt the action on α^r .

examples:

- $\mathcal{R}_{\text{imm}}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\text{subm}}$ are $\text{Diff } V$ -invariant.
- For any $A \subseteq \text{Gr}_n W$, $\mathcal{R}_A$ which defines A -directed maps $V \rightarrow W$.

Immersion relation: $R_{\text{imm}} \subseteq J^1(V, W)$ over $(v, w) \in V \times W$

consists of monomorphisms $T_v V \rightarrow T_w W$, or equivalently
(fib. inj. bund. hom.)
of non-vertical n -planes $P_x \subseteq T_v V \times T_w W$ such that

$$\dim(P_x \cap (T_v V \times 0)) = 0.$$

Submersion relation: $R_{\text{subm}} \subseteq J^1(V, W)$ consists of
epimorphisms (fiberwise surj. bundle hom.), or non-vertical
 n -planes s.t.

$$\dim(P_x \cap (T_v V \times 0)) = n - q$$

3 | Local and global h-principle for open Diff V -inv. relations

Theorem (Local h-principle for open Diff V -invariant relations)

Let $X \rightarrow V$ be a natural fiber bundle. Then any open
Diff V -invariant differential relation $R \subseteq X^{(r)}$ satisfies all forms
of the local h-principle near any polyhedron $A \subseteq V$ of
positive codimension.

proof 1: at the end

Theorem (Local h-principle implies global for open mfd's)

Let V be an open mfd and $X \rightarrow V$ a natural fibration.

Let $\mathcal{R} \subseteq X^{(r)}$ be $\text{Diff } V$ -invariant. Then the parametric local h-principle for $\mathcal{R}$ implies the parametric global one.

proof 2: at the end.

Remark: This will not work for the local C^0 -dense h-principle.

From these two theorems we can now harvest:

Global h-principle for open $\text{Diff } V$ -inv. relations over open mfd's

Let V be an open mfd and $X \rightarrow V$ a natural fiber bundle.

Then any open $\text{Diff } V$ -invariant differential relation $\mathcal{R} \subseteq X^{(r)}$ satisfies the parametric h-principle. In particular, immersions, submersions, k-mersions and immersions directed by an open set $A \subseteq \text{Gr}_n(W)$ satisfy this as long as V is open.

Two more applications:

- maps transverse to a distribution

Let $\tau \subseteq TW$ be a tangent distribution and $R \subseteq J^1(V, W)$ the diff. rel. consisting of homomorphisms $TV \rightarrow TW$ transverse to τ . The relation R is $\text{Diff}V$ -inv. and thus the h-principle holds for R (i.e. $V \rightarrow W$ transverse to τ) if V is open.

• relative version of Gromov

Let $R \subseteq X^{(r)}$ be an open $\text{Diff}V$ -inv. differential relation over an open manifold V . Let $B \subseteq V$ be a closed subset such that each connected component of $V \setminus B$ has an exit to ∞ . Then the relative parametric h-principle holds for R and the pair (V, B) .

See chapter 4 open mfds:

V open if $\bar{V}$ closed connected wmp.

$\hookrightarrow \forall \text{ path-con. } + \partial V \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow V \text{ open}$

$v \in V$ "has exit to ∞ " if $\exists$ path which connects v to ∞ . i.e. it "escapes every compact set"

proof 1: We will go over the non-parametric case i.e. we will prove that

$$\pi_0(\text{Sec}_{\text{OpA}} R, \text{Hol}_{\text{OpA}} R) = 0$$

We need to show that, given a section $F \in \text{Sec}_{\text{OpA}} R$, $\exists$ a section $G \in \text{Hol}_{\text{OpA}} R$ which is

homotopic in $\text{Sec}_{\text{OpA}} R$ to F . According to the holonomic approx. theorems $\exists$ an arbitrarily

C^0 -small diffeotopy $h^\tau: V \rightarrow V$, $\tau \in [0, 1]$ and a section $\tilde{F} \in \text{Hol}_{\text{OpA}} R$ s.t.

$\tilde{F}$ is C^0 -close to F over OpA . In particular, we may assume that the linear

homotopy $\tilde{F}^t$ between $F|_{\text{Oph}^1(A)} = \tilde{F}^0$ and $\tilde{F}^1 = \tilde{F}$ lies in $\mathcal{R}$. The desired section G

can then be defined by the formula $G = H^1(\tilde{F})$

where $H^T = ((h^T)_*)^r^{-1} = ((h^T)^{-1})_*^r : X^{(r)} \rightarrow X^{(r)}$ is the induced action of the "straightening" $(h^T)^{-1}$ diffeotopy on the natural $X^{(r)} \rightarrow V$.

The required homotopy in $\mathcal{R}$ connecting F and G over $\text{Op}A$ consists of:

- $H^T(F) \quad t \in [0,1]$
- $H^1(\tilde{F}^t) \quad t \in [0,1]$

Note that we get the local C^0 -dense h-principle for $\mathcal{R}$ near A in the following way:

The lcl. approx. gives us a section $\tilde{F}$ over $\text{Oph}(A)$ which is C^0 -close in $X^{(r)}$ to F over $\text{Oph}(A)$

it does not imply the same for G . However for the C^0 -approximation it "survives" the straightening.

Now apply the other knowns for parametric, relative and other cases. □

Proof 2: Again, only in the non-parametric case since the general case differs only in notation.

Prove that: $\pi_0(\text{Sec } \mathcal{R}, \text{Hol } \mathcal{R}) = 0$. Given a section $F \in \text{Sec } \mathcal{R} \exists G \in \text{Hol } \mathcal{R}$ which is homotopic in $\text{Sec } \mathcal{R}$ to F . Let $K \subseteq V$ be a core of the manifold V . The local h-principle near K

implies the existence of $G_K \in \text{Hol}_{\text{Op}K} \mathcal{R}$ which is homotopic in $\text{Sec}_{\text{Op}K} \mathcal{R}$ to $F|_{\text{Op}K}$.

Let $h^T : V \rightarrow V$ be an isotopy compressing V into a nbhd U of K s.t. G_K is defined

over U . The desired section $G \in \text{Hol } \mathcal{R}$ can now be defined by the formula $G = H^1(G_K)$

where $H^T = ((h^T)_*)^r^{-1} = ((h^T)^{-1})_*^r : X^{(r)} \rightarrow X^{(r)}$

"decompressing diffeotopy" on $X^{(r)} \rightarrow V$.

Two parts again: $H^T(F)$ and then $H^1(G_K^t)$ where G_K^t is the homotopy which connects the local sections $F_{\text{Op}K}$ and G_K in $\mathcal{R}$. □