

Generic Jacobi manifolds

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Abstract. We build a stratification on the 1-jets of pairs (vector fields, twice contravariant tensors) which allows to define the notion of finite-dimensional generic Jacobi manifold. We then describe the singularities of the associated characteristic field. We also give an example of such manifolds in thermodynamics.

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1 Introduction

The notion of Jacobi manifold was introduced independently by Kirillov (cf [4]) and A. Lichnerowicz ([7]) in the study of contact structures using a contravariant approach.

A Jacobi manifold can be seen as a manifold M endowed with a skew-symmetric bidifferential operator on the functions space $\mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$ of maximal order 1. $\mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$ is then endowed with a structure of local Lie algebra, the so-called Jacobi bracket (cf [4]).

The Jacobi manifolds are a possible generalization of the notion of Poisson manifolds (which are a natural framework for analytic and quantic mechanics) and the notion of contact manifolds ([2], [10], [14]). Such manifolds can be used in the representation of energy in thermodynamics [11].

Weinstein's work about the local study of Poisson manifolds is well known ([15]). One can find an interesting study of local structure of Jacobi manifolds in [2].

In this paper, after having given the definition of a Jacobi manifold and some examples (part 2), we define a stratification on a set of 1-jets linked with the dimension of the characteristic space (part 3). This stratification allows to get the main result obtained in part 4 (theorem 4.1) about stratifications on n -dimensional generic Jacobi manifolds. The last part is devoted to the development of an example of such manifolds in thermodynamics.

2 Jacobi manifolds

2.1 Definition

Let M be a paracompact C^∞ manifold of dimension n .

A m -tensor corresponds to a contravariant skew-symmetric m -tensor.

For each pair (A, B) where A is a m -tensor et B is a p -tensor, one considers a $(m + p - 1)$ tensor $[A, B]$, called Schouten bracket of A and B (cf [3]) defined, for all $(m + p - 1)$ closed form α as

$$i[A, B]\alpha = (-1)^{mp+p} i(A) di(B)\alpha + (-1)^p i(B) di(A)\beta.$$

We then have:

$$[A, B] = (-1)^{mp} [B, A].$$

If one considers a r -tensor C , one gets the Jacobi identity:

$$(-1)^{mp} [[B, C], A] + (-1)^{pr} [[C, A], B] + (-1)^{rm} [[A, B], C] = 0.$$

A. Lichnerowicz gives in [6] the local components $[A, B]^{K_2 \dots K_{m+p}}$ of the $m + p - 1$ -tensor $[A, B]$:

$$\frac{1}{(m-1)!p!} \varepsilon_{I_2 \dots I_m J_1 \dots J_p}^{K_2 \dots K_{m+p}} A^{LI_2 \dots I_m} \frac{\partial B^{J_1 \dots J_p}}{\partial x^L} + \frac{1}{m!(p-1)!} \varepsilon_{I_1 \dots I_m J_2 \dots J_p}^{K_2 \dots K_{m+p}} B^{LJ_2 \dots J_p} \frac{\partial A^{I_1 \dots I_m}}{\partial x^L}$$

where ε is the generalized Kronecker symbol and where the Einstein convention is used.

For all 1-tensor (i.e. vector field) X , one has:

$$[X, \alpha] = L_X \alpha$$

where $L_X \alpha$ is the Lie derivative of the closed p -form α .

If P is a 2-tensor, we have:

$$i_{[P, P]}\alpha = 2i(P) di(P)\alpha.$$

A skew-symmetric operator

$$D : C^\infty(M) \times C^\infty(M) \longrightarrow C^\infty(M)$$

which is bidifferential and of maximal order 1 can be written as (cf [5]):

$$D(f, g) = i(P)(df \wedge dg) + f i(X) dg - g i(X) df$$

where P is a 2-tensor and X is a vectors field.

We the obtain the following formula ([7]):

$$\sigma_{f, g, h} D(D(f, g), h) = i\left(\frac{1}{2}[P, P] - X \wedge P\right)(df \wedge dg \wedge dh) - i[X, P]\left(\sigma_{f, g, h} h df \wedge dg\right),$$

So D defines a Lie algebra structure on $C^\infty(M)$ if and only if:

$$\begin{cases} [P, P] = 2X \wedge P \\ [X, P] = 0. \end{cases}$$

A *Jacobi structure* on a manifold M of dimension n is a pair (X, P) where X is a vector field and P is a 2-tensor such that:
$$\begin{cases} [P, P] = 2X \wedge P \\ [X, P] = 0 \end{cases} .$$

The vector field X is called *Reeb field*. The Jacobi structure is said *regular* if there exists an integer m such that $X \wedge P^m$ vanishes nowhere and $P^{m+1} = 0$. The integer $n - (2m + 1)$ is called *codimension* of the Jacobi manifold

2.2 Characteristic field of a Jacobi manifold

Let (M, X, P) be a Jacobi manifold. The space C spanned by X and range P is called characteristic field of the structure. The Jacobi manifold is called *transitive* if for all x in M we have $C_x = T_x M$.

C is not in general a sub-bundle of TM because its rank is not necessarily constant.

A. Kirillov proved that this field is integrable and defines a Stefan generalized foliation of M (foliation with singularities). In this case, the leaves are not necessarily of the same dimension; the even dimensional leaves can be endowed with a structure of symplectic manifold and the odd dimensional leaves can be endowed with a pfaffian structure (a Pffaf form ω is such that $\omega \wedge (d\omega)^m$ is a volume form).

2.3 Hamiltonian vector field

Let (M, X, P) be a Jacobi manifold. The 2-tensor P defines a vector bundle homomorphism $P^\# : T^*M \rightarrow TM$ which maps a function $f \in C^\infty(M)$ to a vector field $V_f = P^\# df + fX$ called hamiltonian field associated with f .

The mapping $f \mapsto V_f$ is a homomorphism of the Lie algebra $(C^\infty(M), \{, \})$ (where $\{, \}$ is the Jacobi bracket) into the Lie algebra $(\mathcal{X}(M), [,])$:

$$\{f, g\} = i_{V_f} dg - (i_X df) g.$$

If $X = 0$, we have a Poisson structure and the classical relation $\{f, g\} = i_{V_f} dg$ where V_f is the hamiltonian vector field associated with f .

2.4 Examples of Jacobi manifolds

One can find in [7], [1] and [8] different examples of Jacobi manifolds.

1. Poisson manifold

In the following examples one gets a Poisson structure, i.e. a Jacobi manifold where $X = 0$

(a) Lie-Poisson structure

M is the dual \mathcal{G}^* of a Lie algebra \mathcal{G} .

The Lie-Poisson bracket of two functions f and g in $C^\infty(M)$ is defined as follows:

$$\{f, g\}(\alpha) = \langle \alpha, [f_*(\alpha), g_*(\alpha)] \rangle$$

where $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^*$ and where $f_*(\alpha)$ and $g_*(\alpha)$ are seen as elements of \mathcal{G} .

We then have the Lie Poisson or KKS (Kirillov, Konstant, Souriau) structure P , whose the expression in the basis associated with the global coordinates (a^k) of \mathcal{G}^* is:

$$P = \sum_{i < j} \sum_k c_{ij}^k \alpha_k \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_j}$$

where c_{ij}^k are the constants of structure of the Lie algebra \mathcal{G} .

(b) Symplectic manifold

A symplectic manifold (M, Ω) is an even dimensional manifold M endowed with a closed 2-form of maximal rank Ω . We associate to this 2-form a 2-tensor P . The condition $d\Omega = 0$ implies $[P, P] = 0$. So (M, P) is a Poisson manifold.

2. Contact manifold

Let M be a manifold of dimension $2m + 1$ and θ a 1-form on M . θ is a contact form if $\theta \wedge (d\theta)^m$ does not vanish. (M, θ) is called a contact manifold. One can find in a neighborhood of every point canonical coordinates $(t, q^1, \dots, q^m, p_1, \dots, p_m)$ such that the form θ can be written as:

$$\theta = dt - \sum_{i=1}^m p_i dq^i.$$

A contact manifold can be endowed with a structure of Jacobi manifold where the 2-tensor P is defined as: $P(\alpha, \beta) = d\theta(b^{-1}(\alpha), b^{-1}(\beta))$ where $b: \chi(M) \rightarrow \chi^*(M)$ is the isomorphism of $C^\infty(M)$ -modules defined by: $b(V) = i_V d\theta + (i_V \theta)\theta$.

The associated Reeb field X is characterized by the relations $i_X \theta = 1$ and $i_X d\theta = 0$.

We then obtain the following expressions of P and X :

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} + p_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial p^i} \quad X = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}.$$

3. Let E be a smooth vectors field on a manifold M .

One can define a bracket on $C^\infty(M)$ as follows:

$$\{f, g\} = \langle f dg - g df, E \rangle$$

M endowed with this bracket is a Jacobi manifold.

3 Stratification of pairs of jets (1-tensor, 2-tensor) on a manifold

3.1 Stratification in the space of pairs (vector field, 2-tensor) in \mathbb{R}^n

A bivector w of \mathbb{R}^n is a skew-symmetric bilinear form on $(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ seen as a linear mapping : $w^\# : (\mathbb{R}^n)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by $\langle \beta, w^\#(\alpha) \rangle = w(\alpha, \beta)$ where α and β are covectors of \mathbb{R}^n . The range of $w^\#$ is called support of the bivector w and is denoted by $\text{supp } w$.

One introduces the following sets:

\mathcal{W} : space of bivectors of \mathbb{R}^n (dimension $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$)

$\mathcal{J} = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}$ (dimension $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$)

$E(v, w) = \mathbb{R}v + \text{supp } w$, called *characteristic space* of (v, w) .

There exists an action of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ on \mathcal{J} defined by $(A, (v, w)) \mapsto (A \bullet v, A \bullet w)$ where $A \bullet v = A(v)$ and where $A \bullet w(\alpha, \beta) = w({}^t A \alpha, {}^t A \beta)$.

We are going to define a stratification S on \mathcal{J} invariant under the action of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ above.

If w is a bivector of \mathbb{R}^n of rank r , we denote $c = n - r$ the corank of w .

It is well known that \mathcal{W} can be stratified according to the rank. We then get, on \mathcal{W} , the finite stratification $\sigma = \{\sigma_c\}_{0 \leq c \leq n}$ where

$$\sigma_c = \{w \in \mathcal{W}, \text{ corang } w = c\}$$

is a submanifold of \mathcal{W} of codimension $\frac{c(c-1)}{2}$ and where $\bar{\sigma}_c$ is an algebraic submanifold of \mathcal{W} such that $\bar{\sigma}_c = \bigcup_{c' \geq c} \sigma_{c'}$.

We then introduce the following subsets S^i , $i = 0, \dots, n$, of \mathcal{J} :

$$S^i = \{(v, w) \in \mathcal{J} : \dim E(v, w) = i\}.$$

The following lemma whose proof is obvious gives for even and odd dimensional manifolds some properties of these subsets:

Lemma 3.1. 1) We have the following characterizations:

a) if M is even dimensional $2m$:

for $0 \leq k \leq m$, $S^{2k} = \{(v, w) \in \mathcal{J} : \dim(\text{supp } w) = 2k, v \in \text{supp } w\}$

for $1 \leq k \leq m$, $S^{2k-1} = \{(v, w) \in \mathcal{J} : \dim(\text{supp } w) = 2k-2, v \notin \text{supp } w\}$.

b) if M is odd dimensional $2m+1$:

for $0 \leq k \leq m$, $S^{2k+1} = \{(v, w) \in \mathcal{J} : \dim(\text{supp } w) = 2k, v \notin \text{supp } w\}$

$S^{2k} = \{(v, w) \in \mathcal{J} : \dim(\text{supp } w) = 2k, v \in \text{supp } w\}$.

2) If $(v, w) \in S^i$ then $A \bullet w \in S^i$ (for any A in $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$).

We then get the stratification \mathcal{J} :

Proposition 3.1. 1) $S = \{S^i\}_{i=0,\dots,n}$ is a stratification of \mathcal{J} where each stratum S^i ($i = 0, \dots, n$) is a submanifold of \mathcal{J} invariant with respect to the action of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$; moreover we have: a) if M is even dimensional $2m$, S^{2m} is open for $0 \leq k \leq m-1$, S^{2k+1} is a submanifold of codimension $(m-k)(2m-2k-1)$ S^{2k} is a submanifold of codimension $(m-k)(2m-2k+1)$. b) if M is odd dimensional $2m+1$, S^{2m+1} is open for $0 \leq k \leq m$, S^{2k+1} is a submanifold of codimension $(m-k)(2m-2k+1)$ S^{2k} is a submanifold of codimension $(m-k)(2m-2k+3)$. 2) We also have the following topological properties : $\forall i \in \{0, \dots, n\}, \overline{S^i} = \bigcup_{i' \leq i} S^{i'}$

Proof. 1) We indicated above that we had a stratification $\{\sigma_c\}_{0 \leq c \leq n}$ de \mathcal{W} ; the result is analogous to the result obtained in [9] on the stratification of the set of skew-symmetric bilinear forms of \mathbb{R}^n . Consider the projection $\pi : \mathcal{J} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$
 $(v, w) \mapsto w$
 which is a submersion.

a) Assume the manifold M is even dimensional ($n = 2m$). We then have for $0 \leq k \leq m-1$ and $c = 2m-2k$, $\pi^{-1}(\sigma_c) = \mathbb{R}^n \times \sigma_c = S^{2k+1} \cup S^{2k}$ which is a submanifold fibred on σ_c whose codimension is $\frac{c(c-1)}{2} = (m-k)(2m-2k-1)$. Consider w_{2k}^0 in σ_{2k} and find out the dimension of $\pi^{-1}(w_{2k}^0)$: there exists a basis $(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2k-1}, e_{2k})$ of \mathbb{R}^{2m} such that: $w_{2k}^0 = e_1 \wedge e_2 + \dots + e_{2m-1} \wedge e_{2m}$; a vector $u(u_1, \dots, u_{2m})$ belongs to the support of w_{2k}^0 iff we have $2m-2k$ independent equations: $u_{2k+1} = 0, \dots, u_{2m} = 0$. Therefore, S^{2k+1} is an open subset of the submanifold $S^{2k+1} \cup S^{2k}$ and S^{2k} is of codimension $2m-2k$ in $S^{2k+1} \cup S^{2k}$.

b) For an odd dimensional manifold we have an analogous proof.

2) The topological property results from $\overline{\sigma_c} = \bigcup_{c' \geq c} \sigma_{c'}$ □

3.2 Stratification generated on the 1-jets of pairs (1-tensor, 2-tensor)

Let $\mathcal{J}(M)$ be the bundle $TM \times_M \Lambda^2 TM$. It is clear that $\mathcal{J}(M) \rightarrow M$ is a vector bundle whose fiber is \mathcal{J} and we have an action of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ on this fiber.

\mathcal{J} can be endowed with the stratification S (as defined above) and each stratum S^i is invariant under the action of the Lie group $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$. Using this stratification along the manifold M one generates a stratification $S(M)$ on the bundle $\mathcal{J}(M)$ (cf [9], [12], [13] for example).

Let $\mathcal{J}(M)$ be the set of sections C^∞ of the bundle $\mathcal{J}(M) \rightarrow M$ endowed with the C^∞ Whitney topology. We then have a structure of Baire topological vector space.

The natural projection $\pi_1 : \begin{matrix} J^1(\mathcal{J}(M)) & \rightarrow & J^0(\mathcal{J}(M)) \cong \mathcal{J}(M) \\ j_x^1(X, P) & \mapsto & j_x^0(X, P) \end{matrix}$ is a submersion.

We have a stratification $\Sigma(M)$ on $J^1(\mathcal{J}(M))$ as a pull-back of $S(M)$ by the submersion π_1 .

The subset $\tilde{\mathcal{J}} = \left\{ (X, P) \in \underline{\mathcal{J}}(M) : [P, P] = 2X \wedge P, [X, P] = 0 \right\}$ is endowed with the induced topology.

Thanks to Thom transversality theorem we know that the set $\tau\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ of the elements of $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ whose 1-jet is transverse to $\Sigma(M)$ is residual in $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$.

In the next part, we shall prove that $\tau\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ is non empty. So to every generic element J , i.e. belonging to $\tau\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$, it will correspond a stratification $S(J)$ on the manifold M obtained by pull-back.

4 Stratification on a generic Jacobi manifold

The main result of this paper is the following theorem:

Theorem 4.1. 1) On the manifolds of dimension n , generically in the set of pairs $J = (X, P)$ where X is a vector field and P is a 2-tensor fulfilling the conditions:

$$\begin{cases} [P, P] = 2X \wedge P \\ [X, P] = 0 \end{cases}, \text{ there exists a stratification of the manifold:}$$

$S(J) = \{S^i(J)\}_{I(n) \leq i \leq n}$ such that above the stratum $S^i(J)$, if it is non empty, for $i = I(n), \dots, n$, the characteristic field is of dimension i .

2) Moreover, one has the following properties:

a) if the manifold M is even dimensional ($n = 2m$), $S^{2m}(J)$, is open and: for all i such that $(m-i)(2m-2i-1) \leq 2m$, $S^{2i+1}(J)$, if non empty, is a submanifold of codimension $(m-i)(2m-2i-1)$. For all i such that $(m-i)(2m-2i+1) \leq 2m$, $S^{2i}(J)$, if no empty, is a submanifold of codimension $(m-i)(2m-2i+1)$. b) if the manifold M is odd dimensional ($n = 2m+1$), $S^{2m+1}(J)$ is open and: for all i such that $(m-i)(2m-2i+1) \leq 2m$, $S^{2i+1}(J)$, if non empty, is a submanifold of codimension $(m-i)(2m-2i+1)$. for any i such that $(m-i)(2m-2i+3) \leq 2m$, $S^{2i}(J)$, if non empty, is a submanifold of codimension $(m-i)(2m-2i+3)$.

According to the results of the proposition 3.1, we have to prove that the set $\tau\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ is non empty.

Each following proposition gives an example of a pair whose 1-jet is transverse to the non open stratum of minimum codimension.

Proposition 4.1. If M is a manifold of dimension $2m$,

$$j_{2m-1} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}}, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k-1}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k}} + 2x^{2k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}} \right) \\ + x^{2m-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m-1}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}} \end{array} \right)$$

is an element of $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ whose 1-jet is transverse to the stratum $\Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$.

Proof. Consider a local chart centered at a point x_0 of the manifold M of dimension $2m$, whose coordinates (x^1, \dots, x^{2m}) are such that the vector field X is written as

$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}}$; the 2-tensor P can be written as:

$$P = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2m} P^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}.$$

The condition $[X, P] = 0$ corresponds to the $\binom{2m}{2}$ equations :

$$\frac{\partial P^{ij}}{\partial x^{2m}} = 0, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq 2m$$

and the condition $[P, P] = 2X \wedge P$ gives the $\binom{2m}{3}$ equations:

$$\sum_{\substack{\sigma \\ i, j, k \\ 1 \leq r \leq 2m}} P^{ir} \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial x^r} = 2\phi^{ijk} P^{jk}, \quad 1 \leq i < j < k \leq 2m,$$

where $\phi^{ijk} = 0$ if $k = 2m$ and $\phi^{ijk} = 1$ if $k \neq 2m$.

An easy computation gives $j_{2m-1} \in \tilde{\mathcal{J}}$.

Let us prove that $j^1(j_{2m-1})$ is transverse to the stratum $\Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$ at x_0 . The local equation of $\Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$ is obtained from the condition $\det P = 0$, which gives :

$$\sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \sigma_{2m} \\ \sigma(1) < \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(2m-1) < \sigma(2m)}} y^{\sigma(1)\sigma(2)} y^{\sigma(3)\sigma(4)} \dots y^{\sigma(2m-1)\sigma(2m)} = 0.$$

The tangent space at $j^1(j_{2m-1})_{x_0}$ to $\Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$ has the following equation :

$$(dy^{2m-1\ 2m})_{j^1(j_{2m-1})_{x_0}} = 0.$$

$(j_{2m-1}^*)_{x_0}$ maps the tangent vector $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m-1}}\right)_{x_0}$ to $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{2m-1\ 2m}}\right)_{j^1(j_{2m-1})_{x_0}}$.

Because this vector does not belong to $T_{j^1(j_{2m-1})_{x_0}} \Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$ and because $\Sigma^{2m-1}(M)$ is a hypersurface, the proof is completed. \square

Proposition 4.2. *If M is a manifold of dimension $2m + 1$,*

$$j_{2m} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}}, \\ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k+1}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k+2}} + 2x^{2k+2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2k+2}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}} \right) \\ + (1 + 2x^{2m-1}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m-1}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}} + x^{2m+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m-1}} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m+1}} \end{array} \right)$$

is an element of $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$ whose 1-jet is transverse to the stratum $\Sigma^{2m}(M)$.

Proof. As in the previous proposition consider a local chart centered at a point x_0 of the manifold of dimension $2m + 1$, whose coordinates $(x^1, \dots, x^{2m}, x^{2m+1})$ are such that the vector field X is written as $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}}$ and the 2-tensor P is written as:

$$P = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2m+1} P^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$$

where $P_{x_0} = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2m} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right)_{x_0} \wedge \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right)_{x_0}$.

The skew-symmetric matrix $\tilde{p} = (P^{ij})$ where $1 \leq i < j \leq 2m$ has, in a neighborhood of x_0 , a determinant non equal to 0.

Consider, for $1 \leq i \leq 2m$, the $2m \times 2m$ matrix \hat{p}_i obtained from the matrix of P by taking the i^{th} row and the i^{th} column off.

The range P is then spanned, in a neighborhood of x_0 , by the $2m$ vector fields V_1, \dots, V_{2m} where

$$V_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\det \hat{p}_i}{\det \tilde{p}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m+1}}$$

$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m}} \right)_x \in \text{im } P_x$ iff $\det \hat{p}_{2m} = 0$

The local equation of $\Sigma^{2m}(M)$ is:

$$\sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \sigma_{2m+1} \\ \sigma(1) < \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(2m-1) < \sigma(2m) \\ 2m \notin \text{im } \sigma}} y^{\sigma(1) \sigma(2)} y^{\sigma(3) \sigma(4)} \dots y^{\sigma(2m-1) \sigma(2m)} = 0.$$

So an equation of the tangent space at $j^1(j_{2m})_{x_0}$ to the stratum $\Sigma^{2m}(M)$ is

$$(dy^{2m-1 \ 2m+1})_{j^1(j_{2m})_{x_0}} = 0.$$

It is clear that $j^1(j_{2m})_{x_0}$ maps the tangent vector $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2m+1}} \right)_{x_0}$ to $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{2m-1 \ 2m+1}} \right)_{j^1(j_{2m})_{x_0}}$

which does not belong to $T_{j^1(j_{2m})_{x_0}} \Sigma^{2m}(M)$. Because $\Sigma^{2m}(M)$ is a hypersurface, we get the transversality. It is easy to obtain: $j_{2m} \in \tilde{\mathcal{J}}$. The proof is complete. \square

5 Example in thermodynamics

Recall that the Jacobi manifolds used as a framework in thermodynamics are open subsets of the contact manifold \mathbb{R}^{2m+1} (cf [11]).

In the representation of energy, we use the following coordinates:

$$(t, q^1, \dots, q^m, p_1, \dots, p_m) = (U, S, V, N^1, \dots, N^{m-2}, -T, P, -\mu_1, \dots, -\mu_{m-2}).$$

The contact form may be written as :

$$\theta = dU - TdS + PdV - \sum_{k=1}^{m-2} \mu_k dN^k.$$

Using the contact form θ , seen as a connection form on a certain bundle, one can associate a vector field X_f to a function f defined by the equations $i_{X_f}d\theta = -Df$ and $i_{X_f}\theta = f$ where Df is the covariant derivative of f .

In the coordinates $(t, q^1, \dots, q^m, p_1, \dots, p_m)$, the flow of this vector field is given by the equations:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{t} = f - p_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \\ \dot{p}_i = p_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} \\ \dot{q}^i = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \end{cases}$$

In the case of $f = PV - NRT$ the integral curves of the field

$$X_f = -P \frac{\partial}{\partial P} - RT \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + NR \frac{\partial}{\partial S} + V \frac{\partial}{\partial V}$$

are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} U &= U_0, & T &= T_0, & N &= N_0, & P &= P_0 e^{-t}, & V &= V_0 e^t, \\ S &= S_0 + N_0 R t, & \mu &= \mu_0 - RT_0 t. \end{aligned}$$

Let us prove that such Jacobi manifolds are generic, because lying in the open stratum S^{2m+1} .

The matrix U of the $2m + 1$ vectors spanning the characteristic field C in the coordinates $(U, S, V, N^1, \dots, N^{m-2}, -T, P, -\mu_1, \dots, -\mu_{m-2})$ is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & & & & & & & & & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & & & & & & & & & 0 \\ & & 0 & -1 & & & & & & & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 & & & & & & & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & -1 & & & & & 0 \\ & & & & 1 & 0 & & & & & 0 \\ & & & & & & \ddots & & & & \vdots \\ & & & & & & & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ & & & & & & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T & 0 & -P & 0 & \mu_1 & \cdots & 0 & \mu_{m-2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

It is obvious that $\det(U) = 1$. So $\dim(C) = 2m + 1$.

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