

Second list of exercises of the course "Geometry and Dynamics of  
Singular Symplectic manifolds"

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The problems of this course mainly follow the articles by Victor Guillemin, Eva Miranda, Ana Rita Pires, Geoffrey Scott, Jonathan Weitsman and others. We would refer the reader to [GMP11], [GMP14], [GMPS15], [GMPS17], [GMW18b], [GMW18a], [GMW19], [GMW21] and [KMS16] to cite a few places to check the basics and not-so-basics of  $b$ -symplectic geometry.

## Problem session 2. Classical problems for $b^m$ -symplectic and $b^m$ -contact manifolds. Toric actions, action-angle coordinates and integrable systems on $b^m$ -symplectic manifolds. Perturbations of integrable systems and KAM theory

**Exercise 0.1.** Let  $(M^n, \Pi)$  an orientable, connected Poisson manifold. Then, we know that  $\Omega^n(M) \cong \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$ . We define the **modular vector field** as

$$\begin{aligned} X_\Pi^\Omega : \mathcal{C}^\infty(M) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty(M) \\ f &\longmapsto \frac{\mathcal{L}_{u_f} \Omega}{\Omega} \end{aligned} ,$$

or, more formally,  $X_\Pi^\Omega(f)$  is the only function such that  $\mathcal{L}_{u_f} \omega = X_\Pi^\Omega(f) \Omega$ .

$u_f$ , here, denotes the Hamiltonian vector field of  $f$ , this means, such that  $u_f(g) = \{f, g\}$ .

a) Show that it is a well defined derivation.

b) Show that, for any  $H \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$  that doesn't vanish anywhere,

$$X_\Pi^{H\Omega} = X_\Pi^\Omega - u_{\log|H|}.$$

c) Let  $(M^{2m}, \omega)$  a symplectic manifold. Show that the modular vector field  $X_{\omega^{-1}}^\Omega$  is a Hamiltonian vector field.

(Hint: Compute the modular vector field in local Darboux coordinates and use the last part of the exercise to get the global result)

d) Compute the modular vector field for the  $b$ -Poisson manifold  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \{\cdot, \cdot\})$ , where  $\{x, y\} = y$ .

**Exercise 0.2.** Consider  $\Lambda^*(M)$  the algebra of multivector fields. Recall that the Schouten-Nijenhuis bracket is a bilinear map

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \Lambda^k(M) \times \Lambda^l(M) \longrightarrow \Lambda^{(k-1)(l-1)}(M)$$

such that

$$(i) [a, b] = (-1)^{(|a|-1)(|b|-1)} [b, a]$$

$$(ii) [a, [b, c]] = [[a, b], c] + (-1)^{(|a|-1)(|b|-1)} [b, [a, c]]$$

$$(iii) \text{ If } |a| = 1, \text{ then } [a, b] = \mathcal{L}_a b$$

$$(iv) \text{ If } f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M), \text{ then } [f, a] = -i_{df}(a).$$

Let  $\Pi \in \Lambda^2(M)$  a Poisson structure, and let

$$\begin{aligned} d_\Pi^k : \Lambda^k(M) &\longrightarrow \Lambda^{k+1}(M) \\ V &\longmapsto [\Pi, V] \end{aligned} .$$

a) Show that  $d_\Pi^*$  is a cochain differential. This means, prove that  $d_\Pi^{k+1} \circ d_\Pi^k = 0$ .

The resulting cohomology, denoted by  $H_\Pi^*(M)$ , is called **Poisson cohomology**.

b) What do the classes of  $H_\Pi^1(M)$  represent?

**Exercise 0.3.** Consider the  $b$ -symplectic manifold  $(S^2, Z = \{h = 0\}, \omega = \frac{dh}{h} \wedge d\theta)$ , where the coordinates on the sphere are  $h \in [-1, 1]$  and  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Compute a moment map of the  $S^1$ -action given by the flow of  $-\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$  and draw its image.

**Exercise 0.4.** Consider the  $b$ -symplectic manifold

$$(\mathbb{T}^2, Z = \{\theta_1 \in \{0, \pi\}\}, \omega = \frac{d\theta_1}{\sin \theta_1} \wedge d\theta_2),$$

where the coordinates on the torus are  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Find the  ${}^bC^\infty$  Hamiltonian function of the circle action of rotation on the  $\theta_2$  coordinate and draw it

**Exercise 0.5.** The moment image of a  $2n$ -dimensional  $b$ -symplectic toric manifold is represented by an  $n$ -dimensional polytope  $P$ , and the corresponding extremal polytope  $\Delta_P$  is an  $(n-1)$ -dimensional Delzant polytope. Describe the extremal polytope for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ .

**Exercise 0.6.** Compute the moment map of the toric action  $\mathbb{T}^2$  on  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  given by  $((\theta_1, \theta_2), [z_0 : z_1 : z_2]) \mapsto ([z_0 : e^{i\theta_1} z_1 : e^{i\theta_2} z_2])$ . Then, construct a  $b$ -toric manifold applying symplectic blow-up and the Gompf sum on  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  such that:

- it has 6 fixed points, or
- it has 12 fixed points.

What you will obtain is a Hirzebruch surface.

The following exercises are related with the cotangent lift, which is an essential tool since Arnold-Liouville-Mineur Theorem can be restated in a cotangent lift version ([KM17]). These problems also show the connection of singularities with physical systems.

**Exercise 0.7.** The coupling of two harmonic oscillators gives can be modelled in  $T^*(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Check that, in this system, the energy function

$$H = \frac{1}{2}(y_1^2 + y_2^2) + \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$$

and the angular momentum function

$$L = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1$$

Poisson commute. I.e. check that  $\{H, L\} = 0$ .

**Exercise 0.8.** Prove that the singularity at the top of the spherical pendulum is of focus-focus type. Hint: use local coordinates  $(x, y, z) = (x, y, \sqrt{l^2 - x^2 - y^2})$ .

**Exercise 0.9.** Compute the infinitesimal generator of the cotangent lift of the action given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho : (S^1 \times \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ ((\theta, t), \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}) &\longmapsto \rho_{\theta, t} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

and see that it coincides with the vector field associated to the normal form of the focus-focus singularity.

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