

Conclusions from the Algebraic Poincaré Lemma

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Variational Derivatives and Currents

$$\frac{\delta W_{\text{matter}}}{\delta A_m} = j^m_{\text{electromagnetic}} = j^m_{\text{Noether, U(1)}}$$

$$\frac{\delta W_{\text{matter}}}{\delta g_{mn}} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{T}^{mn}_{\text{Energy Momentum}} = j^{mn}_{\text{Noether, Translation}}$$

Why?

Why does a Chern-Simons mass in three dimensions not contribute to the energy momentum tensor?

Jet-Space

Fields $\psi \in \mathcal{F}$ are differentiable maps

$$\psi : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^4 & \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x & \mapsto \psi(x) \end{cases}$$

and define a corresponding map $\hat{\psi}$, the prolongation to the jet-space

$$\mathcal{J}_1 = \mathbb{R}^{4+n+4n}$$

$$\hat{\psi} : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^4 & \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{4+n+4n} \\ x & \mapsto \hat{\psi}(x) = (x, \psi(x), \partial\psi(x)) \end{cases}$$

Higher Jet-space $\mathcal{J}_k = \{\text{Base, Target, derivatives up to } k^{\text{th}} \text{order}\} = \pi_k \mathcal{J}_\infty$

Local Action

The Lagrangian density \mathcal{L} is a function of jet-space

$$\mathcal{L} : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^{4+n+4n} & \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (x, \psi, \partial\psi) & \mapsto \mathcal{L}(x, \psi, \partial\psi) \end{cases}$$

which gives rise to the local action S

$$S : \begin{cases} \mathcal{F} & \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \psi & \mapsto S[\psi] = \int d^4x (\mathcal{L} \circ \hat{\psi})(x) . \end{cases}$$

The equations of motion state that the Euler-derivative of the Lagrangian vanishes for physical fields

$$\frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} = \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\psi} - \partial_m \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\partial_m\psi} , \quad \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} \circ \hat{\psi}_{\text{phys}} = 0 .$$

Noether Theorem

Infinitesimal transformations $\delta\psi$ are maps of the jet-space to \mathbb{R}^n

$$\delta\psi : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^{4+n+4n} & \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ (x, \psi, \partial\psi) & \mapsto \delta\psi(x, \psi, \partial\psi) \end{cases}$$

They are infinitesimal symmetries of the action $S \Leftrightarrow \exists K^m :$

$$\delta\psi \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \psi} + (\partial_m \delta\psi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_m \psi} + \partial_m K^m = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\delta\psi \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial} \psi} + \partial_m j^m = 0$$

$$j^m = \delta\psi \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_m \psi} + K^m + \partial_n B^{mn}, \quad B^{mn} = -B^{nm}.$$

To each infinitesimal symmetry of the action there corresponds a conserved current and *vice versa*.

Second Noether Theorem

Infinitesimal gauge symmetry, if $\delta\psi$ is linear in an arbitrary function ξ

$$\delta\psi = \xi R + (\partial_m \xi) R^m .$$

To each infinitesimal gauge symmetry of the action there corresponds an identity among the Euler derivatives of the Lagrangian and *vice versa*.

$$\frac{\hat{\partial}}{\hat{\partial}\xi} \left(\delta\psi \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} \right) = R \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} - \partial_m \left(R^m \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} \right) = 0 ,$$

e.g. electromagnetism $\partial_m(\partial_n F^{mn}) = 0$, gravity $D_m G^{mn} = 0$.

$$(\xi R + (\partial_m \xi) R^m) \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} = \partial_m \left(\xi R^m \frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} \right)$$

Frozen Gauge Theories

$$\partial_m(j^m + \xi R^m \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial} \psi}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\phi_i \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\partial \partial_m \phi_i} + \delta A_k \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\partial \partial_m A_k} + K^m + \partial_n B^{nm} \\ = -\xi (R_{\phi_i}^m \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\hat{\partial} \phi_i} + R_{A_k}^m \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\hat{\partial} A_k}) . \end{aligned}$$

If the matter fields satisfy their equations of motion $\frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\hat{\partial} \phi} \circ \hat{\phi}_{\text{phys}} = 0$ and for background gauge fields with infinitesimal symmetries, $\delta A_k = 0$,

$$j^m_{\text{rigid}} = \delta\phi_i \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\partial \partial_m \phi_i} + K^m + \partial_n B^{mn} = -\xi R_{A_k}^m \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\hat{\partial} A_k} .$$

In frozen gauge theories the Noether current is, up to improvement terms, the variational derivative with respect to the gauge field.

Example

In gravitational theories, the gauge field is the metric g_{mn} and transforms as

$$\delta g_{kl} = \xi^n \partial_n g_{kl} + \partial_k \xi^n g_{nl} + \partial_l \xi^n g_{kn} = \xi^n \partial_n g_{kl} + R^m_{n g_{kl}} \partial_m \xi^n ,$$

$$R^m_{n g_{kl}} = \delta^m_k g_{nl} + \delta^m_l g_{nk} .$$

The current, corresponding to infinitesimal isometries ξ of $g_{mn} = \eta_{mn}$, is the energy-momentum tensor contracted with the Killing field

$$j^m_{\left| \phi_{\text{phys}}, g_{mn} = \eta_{mn} \right.} = \mathcal{T}^{mn} \xi_n , \quad \mathcal{T}^{mn} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}}{\hat{\partial} g_{mn}} .$$

Charges from Boundary Values

$$\partial_m(j^m + \xi R^m \frac{\hat{\partial} \mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial} \psi}) = 0 ,$$

$$Q = \int_{x^0=\text{const}} d^{D-1}x j^0 = \int_{x^0=\text{const}} d^{D-1}x \partial_i B^{0i} = \int_{\partial V} d^{D-2}x n_i B^{0i} .$$

In gauge theories, charge is determined by boundary values.

B^{0i} unique up to $\partial_k C^{0ik}$.

Gravitational Energy Momentum Complex

Gravitational energy density cannot be covariant, because gravitational effects can be made to vanish along each chosen geodesic.

$$D_m \mathcal{T}^{mn} = 0$$

Violation of the conservation of energy and momentum of matter by gravitational effects (by exchange?).

Do the Einstein equations contain exact conservation laws?

$$C^{mn} = f(g) G^{mn} - \kappa t^{mn}, \quad \partial_m C^{mn} = 0, \quad g = |\det g_{..}|.$$

$$C^{mn} = C^{nm} \text{ and } \partial_m C^{mn} = 0 \Leftrightarrow C^{mn} = \partial_k \partial_l X^{kmln}, \\ X^{klmn} = -X^{lkmn} = -X^{klnm}, \quad X^{klmn} + X^{lmkn} + X^{mkln} = 0.$$

Noncovariant identity which holds in all coordinate systems.

Proof of the Symmetric Identity

$C^{mn} = \partial_k B^{kmn}$ for all n , with $B^{kmn} = -B^{mkn}$. $C^{mn} = C^{nm}$ implies

$$\partial_k (B^{kmn} - B^{knm}) = 0 ,$$

so for each pair $m n$

$$B^{kmn} - B^{knm} = -2\partial_l A^{lkmn} , \quad A^{lkmn} = -A^{klmn} = -A^{lnkm} .$$

Solve for B^{kmn} ,

$$B^{kmn} = -\partial_l (A^{lkmn} + A^{lmnk} - A^{lnkm}) .$$

For $C^{mn} = \partial_k B^{kmn}$ this means

$$C^{mn} = \partial_k \partial_l (A^{lmkn} + A^{knlm}) = \partial_k \partial_l X^{lmkn} .$$

Determination of X^{rmsn}

$$f(g) G^{mn} - \kappa t^{mn} = \partial_r \partial_s X^{\text{rmsn}}.$$

I.h.s.: two derivatives $\rightarrow X^{\text{rmsn}}$ no derivatives

$$X^{\text{rmsn}} = h(g) (g^{rs} g^{mn} - g^{rn} g^{ms}).$$

Comparison of $\partial\partial g$ -terms: $h = -f/2$ and $g \frac{dh}{dg} = h$,
 i.e. f and h homogeneous of degree 1. Using $\gamma^{mn} = \sqrt{g} g^{mn}$, one has

$$g G^{mn} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_r \partial_s (\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{mn} - \gamma^{rn} \gamma^{ms}) + \kappa t^{mn},$$

$$\partial_r \partial_s (\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{mn} - \gamma^{rn} \gamma^{ms}) = 2\kappa (g T^{mn} + t^{mn}).$$

Landau Lifschitz Energy Momentum Complex

$$\begin{aligned} 2\kappa t^{mn} &= 2g G^{mn} + \partial_r \partial_s (\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{mn} - \gamma^{rn} \gamma^{ms}) = \\ &= \partial_k \gamma^{mn} \partial_l \gamma^{kl} - \partial_k \gamma^{km} \partial_l \gamma^{ln} + \frac{1}{2} g^{mn} g_{kl} \partial_r \gamma^{ks} \partial_s \gamma^{lr} - \\ &\quad - g_{kl} g^{mr} \partial_r \gamma^{ks} \partial_s \gamma^{ln} - g_{kl} g^{nr} \partial_r \gamma^{ks} \partial_s \gamma^{lm} + g_{kl} g^{rs} \partial_r \gamma^{mk} \partial_s \gamma^{nl} + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{8} (2g^{ml} g^{nk} - g^{mn} g^{kl}) (2g_{pr} g_{qs} - g_{pq} g_{rs}) \partial_k \gamma^{pq} \partial_l \gamma^{rs}. \end{aligned}$$

t^{00} not definite. Static gravitational energy density is negative (Newton).
Gravitational Waves in flat space-time to be investigated.

Transformation of the Energy Momentum Complex

$$\begin{aligned}
2\kappa t'^{mn}(x'(x)) = & \\
& \left(\det \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} \right)^2 \frac{\partial x'^m}{\partial x^t} \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^u} 2\kappa t^{tu}(x) + \\
& + \partial_r \partial_s \left(\left(\det \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} \right)^2 \frac{\partial x'^m}{\partial x^t} \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^u} \right) \left(\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{tu} - \gamma^{ru} \gamma^{ts} \right) + \\
& + \partial_s \left(\left(\det \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} \right)^2 \frac{\partial x'^m}{\partial x^t} \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^u} \right) \partial_r \left(2\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{tu} - \gamma^{ru} \gamma^{ts} - \gamma^{su} \gamma^{tr} \right) + \\
& + \partial_s \left(\left(\det \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} \right)^2 \frac{\partial x'^m}{\partial x^t} \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^u} \right) \frac{\partial x^l}{\partial x'^k} \frac{\partial^2 x'^k}{\partial x^r \partial x^l} \left(2\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{tu} - \gamma^{ru} \gamma^{ts} - \gamma^{su} \gamma^{tr} \right) + \\
& + \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial x'^l} \partial_k \left(\left(\det \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} \right)^2 \frac{\partial x'^m}{\partial x^t} \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^u} \right) \frac{\partial^2 x'^l}{\partial x^s \partial x^r} \left(\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{tu} - \gamma^{ru} \gamma^{ts} \right) .
\end{aligned}$$

Conservation Laws

$$\partial_r \partial_s (\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{mn} - \gamma^{rn} \gamma^{ms}) = 2\kappa (\mathbf{g} T^{mn} + \mathbf{t}^{mn}) ,$$

$$\partial_m (\mathbf{g} T^{mn} + \mathbf{t}^{mn}) = 0 .$$

Conserved charges (ADM-mass)

$$P^m = \int d^3x (\mathbf{g} T^{0m} + \mathbf{t}^{0m})$$

are determined by boundary values

$$P^m(V) = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \int_V d^3x \partial_r \partial_s (\gamma^{rs} \gamma^{m0} - \gamma^{r0} \gamma^{ms}) = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \int_{\partial V} d^2f_i \partial_r (\gamma^{ri} \gamma^{m0} - \gamma^{r0} \gamma^{mi}) .$$

Corresponding symmetries: $\delta_n g_{kl} = \mathcal{L}_{v^n} g_{kl}$, $v^n = \gamma^{nl} \partial_l$.

Crucial (Kreuzer) Lemma

Let Ω and η denote invariant differential forms in jet-spaces with star-shaped base and target manifold, which depend on tensors only

$$d\Omega = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Omega = \mathcal{L}d^Dx + P(F) + d\eta .$$

P invariant polynomial in $F = \frac{1}{2}dx^m dx^n (\partial_m A_n - \partial_n A_m - [A_m, A_n]) ,$

$$\frac{\hat{\partial}\mathcal{L}}{\hat{\partial}\psi} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L} = P(F) + d\eta ,$$

$$P(F) + d\eta = 0 \Leftrightarrow P(F) = 0 = d\eta .$$

Proof too long to be given here: Part of a series of lectures (available).

Enumerates *all* topological densities, e.g. $D = 4$, gravity,

$$\sqrt{g} R_{klmn} R_{rstu} \epsilon^{mnrs} \epsilon^{klst} , \quad R_{mnr}{}^s R_{kls}{}^r \epsilon^{mnkl} .$$

Conerstone to determination of all anomaly candidates.