

# Gauge Theories on Transitive Lie Algebroids Inspired by Noncommutative Gauge Theories

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## **Abstract**

Inspired by noncommutative methods, transitive Lie algebroids can be used as a framework for gauge fields theories. I will present the necessary tools to write down gauge theory action functionals: forms, integration, Hodge star operators. . . These gauge field theories are of Yang-Mills-Higgs type, and I will show how ordinary Yang-Mills theories are included in these theories. Comparisons with some noncommutative gauge field theories will be given.

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**How to construct a gauge theory?**

The basic ingredients are

1. a space of local symmetries (space-time dependence): a **gauge group**.
2. an implementation of the symmetry on matter fields: a **representation theory**.
3. a place for derivations: some **differential structures**.
4. a replacement of ordinary derivations: a notion of **covariant derivative**.
5. a way to write a gauge invariant Lagrangien density: **action functional**.

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**Ordinary differential geometry**

Given a  $G$ -principal fiber bundle  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $\mathcal{M}$ , the ingredients are

**gauge group:**  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$  is the group of vertical automorphisms of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

**representation theory:** associated vector bundles, on which  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$  acts naturally.

**differential structures:** de Rham differential calculus in ordinary geometry.

**covariant derivatives:** a connection 1-form  $\omega$  on  $\mathcal{P}$  induces covariant derivatives on sections of associated vector bundles.

**action functional:** integration on the base manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , Killing form on the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  of  $G$ , Hodge star operator, curvature of  $\omega$ .

The gauge theories obtained are massless gauge theories.

They are the prototype of theories used in the standard model of particle physics.

The mathematical structures are now accustomed and popular.

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**Noncommutative geometry**

Given an associative algebra  $\mathbf{A}$ , the ingredients are

**representation theory:** a right module  $\mathbf{M}$  over  $\mathbf{A}$ .

**gauge group:**  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{M})$ , the group of automorphisms of the right module.

**differential structures:** any differential calculus defined on top of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

→ many choices: derivation-based differential calculus, spectral triples...

**covariant derivatives:** noncommutative connections are defined on  $\mathbf{M}$  with the help of the chosen differential calculus.

**action functional:** depends on the differential calculus.

- derivation-based differential calculus: noncommutative integration, Hodge star operator, curvature of the connection...
- spectral triples: Dixmier trace, spectral action...

The gauge theories obtained in NCG can be realistic or exotic.

There are noncommutative gauge theories of Yang-Mills-Higgs type.

The mathematical structures can be very involved.

NCG contains ordinary differential geometry

→ NCG gauge theories contain (ordinary) gauge theories.

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**What have we learnt from NCG?**

- Many geometrical structures can be (re)written in terms of algebraic structures.
- Geometric spaces can be supplemented by purely “algebraic spaces”.  
→ Kind of “algebraic fibrations”.
- Combining geometric and algebraic structures produces interesting gauge theories.  
→ The root of, and the route to, Yang-Mills-Higgs theories...
- For applications in physics, there is no reason to rest at a purely geometric stage.

The framework of transitive Lie algebroids gives us

- a mixture of geometric and algebraic structures,
- the mathematical structures are close to ordinary geometry,  
→ Accustomed and popular structures.
- natural gauge theories of Yang-Mills-Higgs type.  
→ The place of pure Yang-Mills theories is well understood...

# 1 – Lie algebroids and their representations

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**Generalities on Lie algebroids**

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a smooth manifold.  $\Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$  the Lie algebra and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -module of vector fields. The following definition is given in the “language” of NCG: algebras and modules.

**Definition 1** (Lie algebroids – Algebraic version). A Lie algebroid  $A$  is a finite projective module over  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$  equipped with a Lie bracket  $[-, -]$  and a  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -linear Lie morphism  $\rho: A \rightarrow \Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$  such that

$$[\mathfrak{X}, f\mathfrak{Y}] = f[\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}] + (\rho(\mathfrak{X}) \cdot f)\mathfrak{Y}$$

for any  $\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y} \in A$  and  $f \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ .

$\rho$  is the anchor of  $A$ .

The usual definition uses the vector bundle  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $A = \Gamma(\mathcal{A})$ .

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**Transitive Lie algebroids**

**Definition 2** (Transitive Lie algebroids). A Lie algebroid  $A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$  is transitive if  $\rho$  is surjective.

**Proposition 3** (The kernel of a transitive Lie algebroid). *Let  $A$  be a transitive Lie algebroid.*

- $L = \text{Ker } \rho$  is a Lie algebroid with null anchor on  $\mathcal{M}$ .
- The vector bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $L = \Gamma(\mathcal{L})$  is a locally trivial bundle in Lie algebras.  
 $\rightarrow$  gives the Lie structure on  $L$ .

One has the short exact sequence of Lie algebras and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0$$

$L$  is called the kernel of  $A$ .

This short exact sequence is the key structure for various considerations.

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**Example 1: Derivations of a vector bundle**

$\mathcal{E}$  a vector bundle over  $\mathcal{M}$ .

$\text{End}(\mathcal{E})$  the fiber bundle of endomorphisms of  $\mathcal{E}$ .

$\text{Diff}^1(\mathcal{E})$  the space of first order differential operators on  $\mathcal{E}$ .

Symbol map  $\sigma : \text{Diff}^1(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{C^\infty(\mathcal{M})}(T^*\mathcal{M}, \text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$ .

By duality:  $\text{Hom}_{C^\infty(\mathcal{M})}(T^*\mathcal{M}, \text{End}(\mathcal{E})) \simeq \Gamma(T\mathcal{M} \otimes \text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$ .

One has:  $\Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \simeq \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \otimes \mathbf{1} \subset \Gamma(T\mathcal{M} \otimes \text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$ .

➔  $\Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \subset \text{Hom}_{C^\infty(\mathcal{M})}(T^*\mathcal{M}, \text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$ .

$$\mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) = \sigma^{-1}(\Gamma(T\mathcal{M}))$$

is the transitive Lie algebroid of derivations of  $\mathcal{E}$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\iota} \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\sigma} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0$$

with  $\mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) = \Gamma(\text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$ .

The kernel  $\mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  is an associative algebra (Lie structure is the commutator).

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**Representation of a Lie algebroid**

$A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$  a Lie algebroid and  $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  a vector bundle.

**Definition 4** (Representation of a Lie algebroid). A representation of  $A$  on  $\mathcal{E}$  is a morphism of Lie algebroids  $\phi : A \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E})$ .

A representation is given by the commutative diagram of exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & L & \xrightarrow{\iota} & A & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \phi_L & & \downarrow \phi & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$\phi_L : L \rightarrow \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  is a morphism of Lie algebras.

- Noncommutative geometry: representation theory is played by modules.
- Principal fiber bundles: representation theory is played by associated vector bundles.

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**Example 2: Atiyah Lie algebroids**

$\mathcal{P} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathcal{M}$  a  $G$ -principal fiber bundle,  $\mathfrak{g}$  the Lie algebra of  $G$ .  
 $R_g: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ ,  $R_g(p) = p \cdot g$ , the right action of  $G$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P}) &= \{\mathfrak{X} \in \Gamma(T\mathcal{P}) / R_{g*}\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X} \text{ for all } g \in G\} \\ \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) &= \{v: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g} / v(p \cdot g) = \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}}v(p) \text{ for all } g \in G\} \end{aligned}$$

are Lie algebras and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -modules.

$\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  is the space of  $\pi_*$ -projectable vector fields in  $\Gamma(T\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\pi_*} \Gamma(TM)$ .

Define  $\iota: \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  by:

$$\iota(v)|_p = v(p)|_p = \left( \frac{d}{dt} p \cdot \exp(tv(p)) \right) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$\mathfrak{g} \ni v \mapsto v^{\mathcal{P}}$  the fundamental vector field on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

The s.e.s. of Lie algebras and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\iota} \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\pi_*} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

defines  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  as a transitive Lie algebroid over  $\mathcal{M}$ .

This is the Lie algebroid of Atiyah associated to  $\mathcal{P}$ .

The representations of  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  are given by the associated vector bundles to  $\mathcal{P}$ .

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**Example 3: Trivial Lie algebroids**

Trivial Lie algebroid = Atiyah Lie algebroid of a trivial principal bundle  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{M} \times G$ .

Concrete description in terms of the bundle  $TM \oplus (\mathcal{M} \times \mathfrak{g})$ :

- Module:  $\text{TLA}(\mathcal{M}, \mathfrak{g}) \equiv A = \Gamma(TM \oplus (\mathcal{M} \times \mathfrak{g}))$ .
- Bracket:  $[X \oplus \gamma, Y \oplus \eta] = [X, Y] \oplus (X \cdot \eta - Y \cdot \gamma + [\gamma, \eta])$
- Anchor:  $\rho(X \oplus \gamma) = X$ .
- Kernel:  $L = \Gamma(\mathcal{M} \times \mathfrak{g})$  (section of a trivial bundle).

**Proposition 5.** *Every transitive Lie algebroid  $A$  is locally of the form  $\text{TLA}(\mathcal{U}, \mathfrak{g})$  for  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{M}$  open subset.*

Trivialization of an Atiyah Lie algebroid  $\leftrightarrow$  Trivialization of the principal fiber bundle.

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**The global picture so far**

- Transitive Lie algebroids as a general structure.

$$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

- Local description of transitive Lie algebroids as trivial Lie algebroids.
- Representation theory on derivations of a vector bundle.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & L & \xrightarrow{\iota} & A & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \phi_L & & \downarrow \phi & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

- Principal fiber bundle  $\rightarrow$  canonical Atiyah Lie algebroid.



## 2 – Differential structures

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**Differential forms: general definition**

$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0$  a transitive Lie algebroid.  
 $\phi: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E})$  a representation of  $A$  on  $\mathcal{E}$ .

**Definition 6** (Differential forms). For  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\Omega^p(A, \mathcal{E})$  be the linear space of  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -multilinear antisymmetric maps from  $A^p$  to  $\Gamma(\mathcal{E})$  (smooth sections).

For  $p=0$ , let  $\Omega^0(A, \mathcal{E}) = \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$ .

$\Omega^\bullet(A, \mathcal{E}) = \bigoplus_{p \geq 0} \Omega^p(A, \mathcal{E})$  is equipped with the natural differential

$$\begin{aligned} (\widehat{d}_\phi \widehat{\omega})(\mathfrak{X}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{X}_{p+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i+1} \phi(\mathfrak{X}_i) \cdot \widehat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X}_1, \dots, \overset{i}{\checkmark} \dots, \mathfrak{X}_{p+1}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq p+1} (-1)^{i+j} \widehat{\omega}([\mathfrak{X}_i, \mathfrak{X}_j], \mathfrak{X}_1, \dots, \overset{i}{\checkmark} \dots \overset{j}{\checkmark} \dots, \mathfrak{X}_{p+1}) \end{aligned}$$

$\phi(\mathfrak{X}) \cdot \varphi$  is the action of the first order diff. op.  $\phi(\mathfrak{X})$  on  $\varphi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$ .

One has  $\widehat{d}_\phi^2 = 0$  ( $\phi$  is a morphism of Lie algebras).

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**Differential forms: two examples**

Let  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{M} \times \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $\Gamma(\mathcal{E}) = C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ .

The anchor map is a representation of  $A$  on  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ .

**Definition 7** (Forms with values in  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ ).  $(\Omega^\bullet(A), \widehat{d}_A)$  is the graded commutative differential algebra of forms on  $A$  with values in  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$  associated to the anchor as a representation.

$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{L}$  the vector bundle such that  $L = \Gamma(\mathcal{L})$ .

For  $\mathfrak{X} \in A$  and  $\ell \in L$ , define  $\text{ad}_\mathfrak{X}(\ell) \in L$  such that  $\iota(\text{ad}_\mathfrak{X}(\ell)) = [\mathfrak{X}, \iota(\ell)]$ .

This is the adjoint representation of  $A$  on  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Definition 8** (Forms with values in the kernel).  $(\Omega^\bullet(A, L), \widehat{d})$  is the graded differential Lie algebra of forms on  $A$  with values in the kernel  $L$  associated to the adjoint representation.

This differential space is a graded Lie algebra and a graded differential module on the graded commutative differential algebra  $\Omega^\bullet(A)$ .

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**Differential forms on trivial Lie algebroids**

$A = \text{TLA}(\mathcal{M}, \mathfrak{g})$  a trivial Lie algebroid.

$\Omega^\bullet(A)$  is the total complex of the bigraded commutative algebra  $\Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^*$ .  
 $\widehat{d}_A = d + s$  with

$$\begin{aligned} d: \Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* &\rightarrow \Omega^{\bullet+1}(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* && \text{de Rham differential} \\ s: \Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* &\rightarrow \Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^{\bullet+1} \mathfrak{g}^* && \text{Chevalley-Eilenberg differential} \end{aligned}$$

$\Omega^\bullet(A, L)$  is the total complex of the bigraded Lie algebra  $\Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{M}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ .  
 $\widehat{d} = d + s'$  with  $s'$  the Chevalley-Eilenberg differential on  $\wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  (for the ad rep.).  
Compact notation  $(\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{M}, \mathfrak{g}), \widehat{d}_{\text{TLA}})$  for this graded differential Lie algebra.

This is a model for trivializations of forms on any transitive Lie algebroid.

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**Differential forms on Atiyah Lie algebroids**

$A$  the Atiyah Lie algebroid of the  $G$ -principal fiber bundle  $\mathcal{P} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathcal{M}$ .

Denote by  $(\Omega_{\text{Lie}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}), \widehat{d})$  the complex of forms with values in the kernel.

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}} = \{\xi^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus \xi \mid \xi \in \mathfrak{g}\} \subset \text{TLA}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) = \Gamma(T\mathcal{P} \oplus (\mathcal{P} \times \mathfrak{g}))$$

is a Lie sub-algebra, which defines a Cartan operation on  $(\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}), \widehat{d}_{\text{TLA}})$ .  
 $(\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})_{\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}}, \widehat{d}_{\text{TLA}})$  the differential graded subcomplex of basic elements.

**Theorem 9** (S. Lazzarini, T.M.). *If  $G$  is connected and simply connected then  $(\Omega_{\text{Lie}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}), \widehat{d})$  is isomorphic to  $(\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})_{\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}}, \widehat{d}_{\text{TLA}})$*

$$\rightarrow \Omega_{\text{Lie}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \subset \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \simeq \Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{P}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g}.$$

When  $G$  is connected and simply connected, forms can be described as:

- a  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}$ -basic elements in  $\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ;
- a form in  $\Omega_{\text{Lie}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ;
- a family of local trivializations in  $\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{U}, \mathfrak{g})$  with gluing relations.

Similar to different “levels” of description for structures on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

### 3 – Connections and covariant derivatives

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**Ordinary connections on transitive Lie algebroids**

$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$  a transitive Lie algebroid.

**Definition 10** (Connection on a transitive Lie algebroid). A connection on  $A$  is a splitting  $\nabla: \Gamma(TM) \rightarrow A$  as  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -modules of the s.e.s.

$$0 \longrightarrow L \xleftarrow{\omega^\nabla} A \xleftarrow{\rho} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

The curvature of  $\nabla$  is defined to be the obstruction to be a morphism of Lie algebras:

$$R(X, Y) = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y] - \nabla_{[X, Y]} \in \iota(L)$$

For any  $\mathfrak{X} \in A$ , with  $X = \rho(\mathfrak{X})$ ,  $\mathfrak{X} - \nabla_X \in \text{Ker } \rho \rightarrow \exists! \omega^\nabla(\mathfrak{X}) \in L$  such that

$$\mathfrak{X} = \nabla_X - \iota \circ \omega^\nabla(\mathfrak{X})$$

**Proposition 11.** One has  $\omega^\nabla \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  and  $\omega^\nabla \circ \iota(\ell) = -\ell$  for any  $\ell \in L$  (normalization on  $L$ ). The 2-form  $R^\nabla \in \Omega^2(A, L)$  defined by  $R^\nabla(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}) = (\widehat{d}\omega^\nabla)(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}) + [\omega^\nabla(\mathfrak{X}), \omega^\nabla(\mathfrak{Y})]$  vanishes when  $\mathfrak{X}$  or  $\mathfrak{Y}$  is in  $\iota(L)$ , and one has  $\iota \circ R^\nabla(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}) = R(X, Y)$ .

$\omega^\nabla$  is the connection 1-form associated to  $\nabla$ .

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**Ordinary connections on Atiyah Lie algebroid**

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\iota} \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

**Proposition 12** (Connections). Ordinary connection on the Atiyah Lie algebroid = connection on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

The notions of curvature coincide.

This example explains the terminology “ordinary connection”.

**The geometric equivalence:** A connection on  $\mathcal{P}$  defines a horizontal lift  $\Gamma(TM) \rightarrow \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$ ,  $X \mapsto X^h$ .

**The algebraic equivalence:**

Suppose  $G$  is connected and simply connected.

$\omega^\mathcal{P} \in \Omega^1(\mathcal{P}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  a connection 1-form on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

$\theta \in \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  the Maurer-Cartan 1-form on  $G$ .

$$\widehat{\omega}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}} = \omega^\mathcal{P} - \theta \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \subset \Omega^\bullet(\mathcal{P}) \otimes \wedge^\bullet \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g}$$

is  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}$ -basic.

It corresponds to the connection 1-form  $\omega^\nabla \in \Omega_{\text{Lie}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  associated to  $\omega^\mathcal{P}$ .

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**Generalized connections on transitive Lie algebroids**

**Definition 13** (Generalized connection). A generalized connection on a transitive Lie algebroid  $A$  is a 1-form  $\widehat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$ .

The curvature of  $\widehat{\omega}$  is the 2-form  $\widehat{R} = \widehat{d}\widehat{\omega} + \frac{1}{2}[\widehat{\omega}, \widehat{\omega}] \in \Omega^2(A, L)$ .

An ordinary connection is a generalized connection for which  $\widehat{\omega} \circ \iota = -\text{Id}_L$ .

Consider a representation of  $A$  on  $\mathcal{E}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & L & \xleftarrow{\widehat{\omega}} & A & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \phi_L \downarrow & & \widehat{\nabla} \downarrow \phi & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$\widehat{\omega}$  defines a map  $\widehat{\nabla}$  given by  $\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}\varphi = \phi(\mathfrak{X}) \cdot \varphi + \phi_L(\widehat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X}))\varphi$ .

This is the covariant derivative on  $\mathcal{E}$  associated to  $\widehat{\omega}$ .

$[\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}, \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{Y}}] - \widehat{\nabla}_{[\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}]} = \iota \circ \phi_L \circ \widehat{R}(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}) \Rightarrow \widehat{\nabla}$  is not a representation in general.

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**Generalized connections on Atiyah Lie algebroids**

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\iota} \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

To simplify the presentation: suppose  $G$  is connected and simply connected.

A connection  $\widehat{\omega}$  on  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}$ -basic 1-form  $\widehat{\omega}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}} \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ .

$\widehat{\omega}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}} = \omega + \varphi \in (\Omega^1(\mathcal{P}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \oplus (C^\infty(\mathcal{P}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathfrak{g})$ .

If  $\varphi = -\theta$ , then  $\widehat{\omega}$  is an ordinary connection on  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$ .

$\Rightarrow \omega$  is an (ordinary) connection 1-form on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

Otherwise,  $\varphi + \theta$  measures the deviation of  $\widehat{\omega}$  from an ordinary connection.

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**Generalized connections and NCG**

$\mathcal{E}$  a  $SL(n)$ -vector bundle over  $\mathcal{M}$  with fiber  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{A} = \Gamma(\text{End}(\mathcal{E}))$  (denoted  $\mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  before).  
 $\text{Der}(\mathbf{A})$  the space of derivations of  $\mathbf{A}$ : Lie algebra and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -module.  
 $\text{Int}(\mathbf{A}) \subset \text{Der}(\mathbf{A})$  inner derivations,  $\mathbf{A}_0 \simeq \text{Int}(\mathbf{A})$  by  $a \mapsto \text{ad}_a$ , with  $\mathbf{A}_0 =$  traceless elements.  
 $\rho: \text{Der}(\mathbf{A}) \rightarrow \text{Der}(\mathbf{A})/\text{Int}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{Out}(\mathbf{A}) \simeq \Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$ .  
The short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}_0 \xrightarrow{\text{ad}} \text{Der}(\mathbf{A}) \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0$$

defines  $\text{Der}(\mathbf{A})$  as a transitive Lie algebroid over  $\mathcal{M}$ , with  $\iota = \text{ad}$ .  
 $\mathcal{P}$  the  $SL(n)$ -principal bundle to which  $\mathcal{E}$  is associated.

**Theorem 14** (S. Lazzarini, T.M.). *The following three spaces are isomorphic:*

1. *The space of generalized connections on  $\text{Der}(\mathbf{A})$ .*
2. *The space of generalized connections on  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$ .*
3. *The space of traceless noncommutative connections on the right  $\mathbf{A}$ -module  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{A}$*

*These isomorphisms are compatible with curvatures and gauge transformations.*

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**Connections: a summary**

- Ordinary connections on transitive Lie algebroids are splittings:

$$0 \longrightarrow L \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\omega^\nabla} \\ \xrightarrow{\iota} \end{array} A \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\nabla} \\ \xrightarrow{\rho} \end{array} \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0$$

$\nabla \mapsto \omega^\nabla \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  connection 1-form, curvature as a 2-form.

- Generalized connections are any 1-forms  $\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$ .
  - $\mapsto$  Covariant derivatives on representations.
  - $\mapsto$  Notion of curvature.
- Ordinary connection = normalized generalized connection:
  - $\hat{\omega} \circ \iota(\ell) = -\ell$  for any  $\ell \in L$
- For Atiyah Lie algebroids:
  - the space of generalized connections contains the space of ordinary connections on  $\mathcal{P}$ ;
  - connection 1-forms and curvatures are directly related in  $\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ .
- Generalized connections are noncommutative connections in some specific cases.

## 4 – The gauge group

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**Gauge group of a representation**

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & L & \xrightarrow{\iota} & A & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \phi_L \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi & & \parallel \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E}) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

a representation of a transitive Lie algebroid  $A$  on  $\mathcal{E}$ .

**Definition 15** (Gauge group of a representation). The gauge group of  $\mathcal{E}$  is the group  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{E})$  (vertical automorphisms of  $\mathcal{E}$ ).

Notice that  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{E}) \subset \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  and  $\mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  are the infinitesimal gauge transformations on  $\mathcal{E}$ . Any  $\xi \in L$  defines an infinitesimal gauge transformation on  $\Gamma(\mathcal{E})$  by  $\varphi \mapsto \phi_L(\xi)\varphi$ .

**Definition 16** (Infinitesimal gauge transformations). An infinitesimal gauge transformation on  $A$  is an element  $\xi \in L$ .

No notion of gauge transformation at the level of  $A$  (similar situation in NCG). One can “exponentiate”  $\phi_L(\xi) \in \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{E})$  into  $\exp \circ \phi_L(\xi) \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{E})$ .

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**Gauge transformations**

$\hat{\omega}$  a connection on  $A$ , and  $\hat{\nabla}$  its associated covariant derivative on  $\mathcal{E}$ :

$$\hat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}\varphi = \phi(\mathfrak{X}) \cdot \varphi + \phi_L(\hat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X}))\varphi$$

$\xi \in L$  an infinitesimal gauge transformation.  
 $g = \exp \circ \phi_L(\xi)$  its associated gauge transformation on  $\mathcal{E}$ .

The first order differential operator  $\hat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}^g = g^{-1} \circ \hat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}} \circ g$  on  $\mathcal{E}$  can be written as

$$\hat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}^g s = \phi(\mathfrak{X}) \cdot s + \phi_L(\hat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X}))s + \phi_L(\hat{d}\xi(\mathfrak{X}) + [\hat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X}), \xi])s + O(\xi^2)s$$

**Definition 17** (Infinitesimal gauge variation). The infinitesimal gauge variation of  $\hat{\omega}$  induced by  $\xi$  is defined to be  $\hat{d}\xi + [\hat{\omega}, \xi]$ .

**Proposition 18** (Infinitesimal gauge action on curvature). *The infinitesimal gauge variation of the curvature  $\hat{R}$  of  $\hat{\omega}$  is  $[\hat{R}, \xi]$ .*

The (local) gauge principle is implemented, at least at the infinitesimal level.

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**Gauge transformations on Atiyah Lie algebroids**

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\iota} \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\pi_*} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$$

$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$  the gauge group of  $\mathcal{P}$  (vertical automorphisms of  $\mathcal{P}$ ).

$u \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$  is a  $G$ -equivariant map  $u: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow G$ ,  $u(p \cdot g) = g^{-1}u(p)g$ .

- ➔  $L = \Gamma_G(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  is the Lie algebra of  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$ .
- ➔ Infinitesimal (usual) gauge transformations are elements in  $L$ .

$\hat{\omega} \in \Omega_{\text{Lie}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  and  $u \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$ .

Define  $\hat{\omega}^u(\mathfrak{X}) = u^{-1}\hat{\omega}(\mathfrak{X})u + u^{-1}(\mathfrak{X} \cdot u)$  for any  $\mathfrak{X} \in \Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$ .

- ➔  $\hat{\omega}^u \in \Omega_{\text{Lie}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ .
- ➔ This is the gauge action of  $u$  on  $\hat{\omega}$ .

**Proposition 19** (Gauge transformations on Atiyah Lie algebroids). *The infinitesimal gauge transformations on generalized connections on  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$  are the (ordinary) infinitesimal gauge transformations on  $\mathcal{P}$  induced by  $\hat{\omega} \mapsto \hat{\omega}^u$ .*

## 5 – Structures to construct an action functional

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**Metrics on transitive Lie algebroids**

**Definition 20** (Metric on a Lie algebroid). A metric on  $A$  is a symmetric,  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ -linear map  $\hat{g}: A \otimes_{C^\infty(\mathcal{M})} A \rightarrow C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ .

$\hat{g}$  defines a metric  $h = \iota^* \hat{g}$  on  $L$  given by  $h(\gamma, \eta) = \hat{g}(\iota(\gamma), \iota(\eta))$  for any  $\gamma, \eta \in L$ .

**Definition 21** (Inner non degenerate metric).  $\hat{g}$  is inner non degenerate if the induced metric  $h$  on  $L$  is non degenerate.

**Proposition 22** (C. Fournel, S. Lazzarini, T.M.). *An inner non degenerate metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $A$  is equivalent to a triple  $(g, h, \nabla)$  where*

- $g$  is a (possibly degenerate) metric on  $\mathcal{M}$ ;
- $h$  is a non degenerate metric on  $L$ ;
- $\nabla$  is an ordinary connection on  $A$ , with  $\mathfrak{a} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  its connection 1-form;
- $\hat{g}(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}) = g(\rho(\mathfrak{X}), \rho(\mathfrak{Y})) + h(\mathfrak{a}(\mathfrak{X}), \mathfrak{a}(\mathfrak{Y}))$ .
- $\hat{g}(\nabla_X, \iota(\gamma)) = 0$  for any  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$  and  $\gamma \in L$ .

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**Local description of forms and the mixed basis**

$\mathfrak{g}$  the Lie algebra fiber of  $\mathcal{L}$ , where  $L = \Gamma(\mathcal{L})$ .  $\{E_a\}_{1 \leq a \leq n}$  basis of  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\{\theta^a\}_{1 \leq a \leq n}$  its dual basis.  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{M}$  open subset which trivializes  $A$ .

$\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^p(A, L)$  and  $\hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}} \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathfrak{g})$  its local description:

$$\hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}} = \sum_{r+s=p} \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s}^\theta dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_r} \wedge \theta^{a_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \theta^{a_s} \quad \text{with} \quad \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s}^\theta : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$$

$\nabla$  ordinary connection on  $A$ ,  $\mathfrak{a}$  its connection 1-form,  $\mathfrak{a}_{\text{loc}} = (A^a - \theta^a)E_a$ ,  $A^a \in \Omega^1(\mathcal{U}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ .

**Definition 23** (Mixed basis). The local 1-forms  $\mathfrak{a}^a = A^a - \theta^a \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{U})$  define the mixed basis in  $\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{U})$  relative to the ordinary connection  $\nabla$  and to the basis  $\{E_a\}_{1 \leq a \leq n}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Then one can write

$$\hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}} = \sum_{r+s=p} \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s} dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_r} \wedge \mathfrak{a}^{a_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathfrak{a}^{a_s} \quad \text{with} \quad \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$$

**Proposition 24** (Homogeneous transformations). *In a change of local trivialization, the  $\hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s}$ 's have homogeneous transformations.*



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**Integration along the kernel**

We suppose that the vector bundle  $\mathcal{L}$ , where  $L = \Gamma(\mathcal{L})$ , is orientable.  
 $h$  a metric on  $L$ ,  $\nabla$  connection on  $A$ ,  $\mathbf{a} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  its connection 1-form.  
 $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{M}$  an open subset which trivializes  $A$ .  
 $h_{\text{loc}}$  trivialization of  $h$  over  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $h_{ab} = h_{\text{loc}}(E_a, E_b) \in C^\infty(\mathcal{U})$ ,  $|h_{\text{loc}}| = |\det(h_{ab})|$ .

**Proposition 25** (Volume form along  $L$ ).

$$\widehat{\omega}_{h, \mathbf{a} \text{loc}} = (-1)^n \sqrt{|h_{\text{loc}}|} \mathbf{a}_{\text{loc}}^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{a}_{\text{loc}}^n$$

defines a global form  $\widehat{\omega}_{h, \mathbf{a}} \in \Omega^\bullet(A)$  of maximal degree  $n$  in the  $L$  direction.

Any form  $\widehat{\omega} \in \Omega^\bullet(A, L)$  of maximal degree  $n$  in the  $L$  direction can be written as

$$\widehat{\omega} = \omega^\mathcal{M} \widehat{\omega}_{h, \mathbf{a}} + \widehat{\omega}^R$$

where  $\omega^\mathcal{M} \in \Omega^{\bullet-n}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L})$  and  $\widehat{\omega}^R$  of degrees  $< n$  in the  $\mathbf{a}_{\text{loc}}^a$ 's.

**Definition 26** (Integration along  $L$ ).

$$\int_{\text{inner}} : \Omega^\bullet(A, L) \rightarrow \Omega^{\bullet-n}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}) \qquad \widehat{\omega} \mapsto \omega^\mathcal{M}$$

is the integration of  $\widehat{\omega}$  along  $L$ . It does not depend on  $\nabla$ .

Integration along  $L$  defines also a map  $f_{\text{inner}} : \Omega^\bullet(A) \rightarrow \Omega^{\bullet-n}(\mathcal{M})$ .

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**Integration on  $A$**

**Definition 27** (Orientable transitive Lie algebroid). A transitive Lie algebroid is orientable if it is inner orientable and if  $\mathcal{M}$  is orientable.

$A$  an orientable transitive Lie algebroid,  $h$  a metric on  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $\nabla$  a connection on  $A$ .

**Definition 28** (Integration on  $A$ ). The integration on  $A$  of a form  $\widehat{\omega} \in \Omega^\bullet(A)$  is defined by

$$\int_A \widehat{\omega} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\text{inner}} \widehat{\omega} \in \mathbb{C}.$$

**Definition 29** (Scalar product of forms). The scalar product of any 2 forms  $\widehat{\omega}_1, \widehat{\omega}_2 \in \Omega^\bullet(A, L)$  is defined by

$$\langle \widehat{\omega}_1, \widehat{\omega}_2 \rangle = \int_A h(\widehat{\omega}_1, \widehat{\omega}_2) \in \mathbb{C}$$

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**Hodge star operator**

$A$  an orientable transitive Lie algebroid.

$\hat{g} = (g, h, \nabla)$  a metric on  $\mathbf{A}$ , and  $\mathbf{a}$  the connection 1-form of  $\nabla$ .

Write  $\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^p(A, L)$  locally as

$$\hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}} = \sum_{r+s=p} \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s} dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_r} \wedge \mathbf{a}^{a_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{a}^{a_s}$$

We associate to  $\hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}}$  a local form in  $\Omega_{\text{TLA}}^{m+n-p}(U, \mathfrak{g})$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} \star \hat{\omega}_{\text{loc}} = \sum_{r+s=p} (-1)^{s(m-r)} \frac{1}{r!s!} \sqrt{|h_{\text{loc}}|} \sqrt{|g|} \hat{\omega}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r a_1 \dots a_s} \epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_m} \epsilon_{b_1 \dots b_n} \\ \times g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} \dots g^{\mu_r \nu_r} h^{a_1 b_1} \dots h^{a_s b_s} dx^{\nu_{r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\nu_m} \wedge \mathbf{a}^{b_{s+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{a}^{b_n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_m}$  and  $\epsilon_{b_1 \dots b_n}$  are the totally antisymmetric Levi-Civita symbols,  $(g^{\mu\nu})$  and  $(h^{ab})$  are the inverse matrices of  $(g_{\mu\nu})$  and  $(h_{ab})$ .

**Proposition 30** (Hodge star operator). *The map  $\star : \Omega^p(A, L) \rightarrow \Omega^{m+n-p}(A, L)$  is well defined globally.*

This is the Hodge star operator associated to  $\hat{g}$  on  $A$ .

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**Metrics: a summary**

A metric  $\hat{g} = (g, h, \nabla)$ , with  $\nabla \leftrightarrow \mathbf{a} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$ , gives us:

- $h \rightarrow$  scalar product on  $L$ ;
- $h, \mathbf{a} \rightarrow$  integration along  $L$ ;
- $g \rightarrow$  integration on  $\mathcal{M}$ ;
- $g, h, \mathbf{a} \rightarrow$  Hodge star operator  $\star$ .

## 6 – Gauge theories

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**Gauge invariant action**

$A$  an orientable transitive Lie algebroid equipped with a metric  $\widehat{g} = (g, h, \nabla)$ , such that  $g$  and  $h$  are both non degenerate.

Suppose that  $h$  is a Killing metric:  $h([\xi, \gamma], \eta) + h(\gamma, [\xi, \eta]) = 0$  for any  $\gamma, \eta, \xi \in L$ .

$\widehat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  a connection on  $A$  and  $\widehat{R}$  its curvature 2-form.

**Proposition 31** (C. Fournel, S. Lazzarini, T.M.). *The action functional*

$$\mathcal{S}_{Gauge}[\widehat{\omega}] = \langle \widehat{R}, \star \widehat{R} \rangle = \int_A h(\widehat{R}, \star \widehat{R}).$$

*is invariant under infinitesimal gauge transformations in  $L$ .*

*Example 32* (Atiyah Lie algebroid).  $A$  the Atiyah Lie algebroid of a  $G$ -principal fiber bundle  $\mathcal{P}$ .

$h$  the metric on  $\mathcal{L}$  induced by the Killing metric on  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

$\widehat{\omega}$  any generalized connection  $\rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{Gauge}[\widehat{\omega}]$  is  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{P})$ -gauge invariant.

$\widehat{\omega}$  an ordinary connection on  $A \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{Gauge}[\widehat{\omega}]$  is the ordinary Yang-Mills action.

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**Coupling to matter fields**

Matter fields are sections  $\varphi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$  of a representation  $\phi: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{E})$  of  $A$ .

**Definition 33** ( $\phi_L$ -compatible metric). A metric  $h^\mathcal{E}$  on  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $\phi_L$ -compatible if

$$h^\mathcal{E}(\phi_L(\xi)\varphi_1, \varphi_2) + h^\mathcal{E}(\varphi_1, \phi_L(\xi)\varphi_2) = 0$$

for any  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$  and any  $\xi \in L$ .

Generalization of “Killing metric”.

One can define a Hodge star operator on  $\Omega^\bullet(A, \mathcal{E})$ .

$\widehat{\omega}$  connection on  $A$  and  $\widehat{\nabla}^\mathcal{E}$  the induced covariant derivative on  $\Gamma(\mathcal{E})$ .

**Proposition 34.** *The action functional*

$$\mathcal{S}_{Matter}[\varphi, \widehat{\omega}] = \int_A h^\mathcal{E}(\widehat{\nabla}^\mathcal{E} \varphi, \star \widehat{\nabla}^\mathcal{E} \varphi)$$

*is invariant under infinitesimal gauge transformations in  $L$ .*

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**The total action functional**

$\hat{g} = (g, h, \nabla)$  decomposes any connection  $\hat{\omega}$  on  $A$  as:

$$\hat{\omega} \leftrightarrow (\omega, \tau)$$

$\omega$  is an ordinary connection on  $A$ ,  $\tau$  is an algebraic object on  $L$ .

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{Gauge}}[\hat{\omega}] + \mathcal{S}_{\text{Matter}}[\varphi, \hat{\omega}] = \begin{aligned} & (1) \text{ a Yang-Mills like term for } \omega \\ & (2) \text{ a covariant derivative for } \tau \text{ along } \omega \\ & (3) \text{ a potential for } \tau \\ & (4) \text{ a covariant derivative for } \varphi \text{ along } \omega \\ & (5) \text{ a coupling } \varphi \leftrightarrow \tau \end{aligned}$$

The potential (3) can vanish for  $\tau \neq 0$ .

A development around a solution  $\tau_0 \neq 0$  induces:

- A mass terms for the ordinary connection  $\omega$  in (2).
- A mass terms for  $\varphi$  in (5).
- ➔ Massive bosons ( $\omega$ ) coupled to massive particles ( $\varphi$ ).
- ➔ Yang-Mills-Higgs type gauge theory.

## Conclusion

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**Conclusion**

- Gauge field theories can be generalized in at least two directions:
  - noncommutative geometry
  - transitive Lie algebroids
- Same idea in both cases: add some purely algebraic directions to space-time.
- We naturally get Yang-Mills-Higgs type gauge theories in both situations.
- Gauge theories on Atiyah Lie algebroids are close to Yang-Mills gauge theories.
  - ➔ They contain ordinary gauge theories used in physics.
  - ➔ They share some common mathematical structures.
- A lot more to investigate.
- There is life for gauge theories beyond connections on principal fiber bundles !

## Additional material

### ..... Trivialization of transitive Lie algebras

$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$  a transitive Lie algebr.

A local trivialization of  $A$  is a triple  $(\mathcal{U}, \Psi, \nabla^0)$  where

- $\mathcal{U}$  is an open subset of  $\mathcal{M}$ ;
- $\Psi: \Gamma(\mathcal{U} \times \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\cong} L_{\mathcal{U}}$  is an isomorphism of Lie algebras and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{U})$ -modules;
- $\nabla^0: \Gamma(T\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow A_{\mathcal{U}}$  is an injective morphism of Lie algebras and  $C^\infty(\mathcal{U})$ -modules compatible with the anchors;
- $[\nabla_X^0, \iota \circ \Psi(\gamma)] = \iota \circ \Psi(X \cdot \gamma)$  for any  $X \in \Gamma(T\mathcal{U})$  and any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(\mathcal{U} \times \mathfrak{g})$ .

$S(X \oplus \gamma) = \nabla_X^0 + \iota \circ \Psi(\gamma)$  is a isomorphism of Lie algebras  $S: \text{TLA}(\mathcal{U}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\cong} A_{\mathcal{U}}$ .

Lie algebr atlas for  $A$ : a family of local trivializations  $(\mathcal{U}_i, \Psi_i, \nabla^{0,i})$  with  $\bigcup_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_i = \mathcal{M}$ .

$\mathfrak{X} \in A$  is decomposed as  $X^i \oplus \gamma^i \in \text{TLA}(\mathcal{U}_i, \mathfrak{g})$  such that  $S_i(X^i \oplus \gamma^i) = \mathfrak{X}|_{\mathcal{U}_i}$ .

The  $X^i$ 's are the restrictions to  $\mathcal{U}_i$  of the global vector field  $X = \rho(\mathfrak{X})$ .

On  $\mathcal{U}_{ij} = \mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_j \neq \emptyset$  one can define  $\alpha_j^i = \Psi_i^{-1} \circ \Psi_j: \mathcal{U}_{ij} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$ .

There exists  $\chi_{ij} \in \Omega^1(\mathcal{U}_{ij}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\gamma^i = \alpha_j^i(\gamma^j) + \chi_{ij}(X)$ .

One has the cocycle relations

$$\alpha_k^i = \alpha_j^i \circ \alpha_k^j \quad \alpha_j^i \circ \alpha_i^j = \text{Id} \quad \chi_{ik} = \alpha_j^i \circ \chi_{jk} + \chi_{ij} \quad \alpha_j^i \circ \chi_{ji} + \chi_{ij} = 0$$

### ..... Trivialization of differential forms

$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\rho} \Gamma(TM) \longrightarrow 0$  a transitive Lie algebr.

$\{(\mathcal{U}_i, \Psi_i, \nabla^{0,i})\}_{i \in I}$  a Lie algebr atlas for  $A$ .

To any  $q$ -form  $\omega \in \Omega^q(A, L)$  we associate a family of local  $q$ -forms  $\omega_{\text{loc}}^i \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^q(\mathcal{U}_i, \mathfrak{g})$

$$\omega_{\text{loc}}^i = \Psi_i^{-1} \circ \omega \circ S_i$$

$s_i^j = S_j^{-1} \circ S_i: \text{TLA}(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{TLA}(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g})$  is an isomorphism of (trivial) Lie algebras.

Define  $\hat{\alpha}_j^i: \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^q(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^q(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g})$  by  $\hat{\alpha}_j^i(\omega_{\text{loc}}^j) = \alpha_j^i \circ \omega_{\text{loc}}^j \circ s_i^j$ .

**Proposition 35.** • A family of local forms  $\omega_{\text{loc}}^i \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{U}_i, \mathfrak{g})$  is a system of trivializations of a global form  $\omega \in \Omega^\bullet(A, L)$  if and only if  $\hat{\alpha}_j^i(\omega_{\text{loc}}^j) = \omega_{\text{loc}}^i$  on any  $\mathcal{U}_{ij} \neq \emptyset$ .

- For any  $\omega \in \Omega^\bullet(A, L)$  trivialized on  $\mathcal{U}$  as  $\omega_{\text{loc}}$ , one has  $\hat{d}_{\text{TLA}} \omega_{\text{loc}} = \Psi^{-1} \circ (\hat{d}\omega) \circ S$ .
- $\hat{\alpha}_j^i: \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^\bullet(\mathcal{U}_{ij}, \mathfrak{g})$  is an isomorphism of graded differential Lie algebras.

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**Gauge transformations on Atiyah Lie algebroids**

Suppose  $G$  is connected and simply connected.

$\hat{\omega} \in \Omega_{\text{Lie}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \mapsto \hat{\omega}_{\text{g equ}} \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{equ}}$ -basic.

The gauge action  $\hat{\omega} \mapsto \hat{\omega}^u$  induces

$$\hat{\omega}_{\text{g equ}} \mapsto u\hat{\omega}_{\text{g equ}}u^{-1} + u\hat{d}_{\text{TLA}}u^{-1} \in \Omega_{\text{TLA}}^1(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$$

where

$$u\hat{d}_{\text{TLA}}u^{-1} = udu^{-1} + u\theta u^{-1} - \theta$$

Notice that  $u\theta u^{-1} - \theta = u[\theta, u^{-1}]$  is more or less “s” applied to  $u$ .

**Proposition 36** (Ordinary gauge transformations). *If  $\hat{\omega}_{\text{g equ}} = \omega^{\mathcal{P}} - \theta$  is an ordinary connection on  $\Gamma_G(T\mathcal{P})$ , this action reduces to the usual gauge transformation  $\omega^{\mathcal{P}} \mapsto u\omega^{\mathcal{P}}u^{-1} + udu^{-1}$  on the (ordinary) connection 1-form  $\omega^{\mathcal{P}}$ .*

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**Decomposition of a connection**

$\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  a generalized connection on  $A$ .

**Definition 37** (Reduced kernel endomorphism). The reduced kernel endomorphism  $\tau \in \text{End}(L)$  associated to  $\hat{\omega}$  is defined by

$$\tau = \hat{\omega} \circ \iota + \text{Id}_L.$$

$\tau$  vanishes iff  $\hat{\omega}$  is an ordinary connection on  $A \mapsto$  measures the “non Yang-Mills” part.

$\tau$  is not a Lie morphism. Define  $R_\tau(\gamma, \eta) = [\tau(\gamma), \tau(\eta)] - \tau([\gamma, \eta])$  for any  $\gamma, \eta \in L$ .

Let  $\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  be a fixed ordinary connection on  $A$  (“background connection”).

**Theorem 38.**  $\hat{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$  a connection and  $\tau$  its reduced kernel endomorphism.

$$\omega = \hat{\omega} + \tau(\hat{\omega})$$

is an ordinary connection on  $A$ .

The induced infinitesimal gauge action of  $L$  is the one on ordinary connections.

$\hat{\omega}$  ordinary connection  $\mapsto \tau = 0 \mapsto \omega = \hat{\omega}$ .

$\mapsto \hat{\omega}$  only relevant for connections which are not ordinary connections.

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**Decompositions of curvature and covariant derivative**

$\hat{\omega} = \omega - \tau(\dot{\omega})$  connection on  $A$ .

$\overset{\circ}{\nabla}, \nabla : \Gamma(T\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow A$  the splittings associated to the ordinary connections  $\dot{\omega}, \omega$ .

$\overset{\circ}{R}, R \in \Omega^2(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L})$  the curvature 2-forms of  $\dot{\omega}, \omega$ .

$\hat{F} = R - \tau \circ \overset{\circ}{R} \in \Omega^2(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \rho^* \hat{F} \in \Omega^2(A, L)$ .

For  $X \in \Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$ , define  $\mathcal{D}_X \tau \in \text{End}(\mathcal{L})$  by

$$(\mathcal{D}_X \tau)(\gamma) = [\nabla_X, \tau(\gamma)] - \tau([\overset{\circ}{\nabla}_X, \gamma])$$

for any  $\gamma \in L \rightarrow (\rho^* \mathcal{D} \tau) \circ \dot{\omega} \in \Omega^2(A, L)$ .

$\nabla^\mathcal{E}$  the (ordinary) covariant derivative induced on  $\mathcal{E}$  by the (ordinary) connection  $\omega$ .

For any  $\varphi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$ , one has  $\rho^* \phi(\nabla) \cdot \varphi = \rho^* \nabla^\mathcal{E} \varphi$ .

**Proposition 39** (Decomposition of the curvature and the covariant derivative). *The curvature  $\hat{R} \in \Omega^2(A, L)$  of  $\hat{\omega}$  can be decomposed as*

$$\hat{R} = \rho^* \hat{F} - (\rho^* \mathcal{D} \tau) \circ \dot{\omega} + R_\tau \circ \dot{\omega}$$

The covariant derivative  $\widehat{\nabla}^\mathcal{E} \varphi \in \Omega^1(A, \mathcal{E})$  can be decomposed as

$$\widehat{\nabla}^\mathcal{E} \varphi = \rho^* \phi(\nabla) \cdot \varphi - (\phi_L(\tau) \varphi) \circ \dot{\omega}$$

Under infinitesimal gauge transformations, each term has homogeneous transformations.

“ $\circ \dot{\omega}$ ”  $\rightarrow$  along the mixed basis, “ $\rho^*$ ”  $\rightarrow$  along  $\Gamma(T\mathcal{M})$ .

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**Decomposition of the action functional**

$\hat{\omega}$  connection on  $A$ ,  $\varphi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{E})$  matter field.

$$\mathcal{S}[\varphi, \hat{\omega}] = \mathcal{S}_{\text{Gauge}}[\hat{\omega}] + \mathcal{S}_{\text{Matter}}[\varphi, \hat{\omega}] \quad \text{total action functional}$$

$\hat{g} = (g, h, \nabla)$ , with  $\nabla \leftrightarrow \dot{\omega} \in \Omega^1(A, L)$ , metric on  $A$ .

The decomposition  $\hat{\omega} = \omega - \tau(\dot{\omega})$  induces the decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}[\varphi, \hat{\omega}] = & \langle \rho^* \hat{F}, \star \rho^* \hat{F} \rangle & (1) \text{ spatial term: Yang-Mills like} \\ & + \langle (\rho^* \mathcal{D} \tau) \circ \dot{\omega}, \star (\rho^* \mathcal{D} \tau) \circ \dot{\omega} \rangle & (2) \text{ mixed term: covariant derivative of } \tau \\ & + \langle R_\tau \circ \dot{\omega}, \star R_\tau \circ \dot{\omega} \rangle & (3) \text{ algebraic term: potential for } \tau \\ & + \langle \rho^* \phi(\nabla) \cdot \varphi, \star \rho^* \phi(\nabla) \cdot \varphi \rangle & (4) \text{ spatial term: covariant derivative of } \varphi \\ & + \langle (\phi_L(\tau) \varphi) \circ \dot{\omega}, \star (\phi_L(\tau) \varphi) \circ \dot{\omega} \rangle & (5) \text{ algebraic term: coupling } \varphi \leftrightarrow \tau \end{aligned}$$