

Pfaffian groupoids

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Motivation

Understand the work of Cartan on Lie Pseudogroups, and the theory of PDE's using the language of Lie groupoids and Lie algebroids.

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with the property that θ is multiplicative:

$$m^*\theta_{(g,h)} = g \cdot pr_1^*\theta_{(g,h)} + pr_2^*\theta_{(g,h)},$$

$$m, pr_1, pr_2 : \mathcal{G}_2 \subset \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}.$$

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$$\text{Sol}(\mathcal{G}, \theta) = \{\beta \mid \beta^* \theta = 0\} \quad \text{iff } \alpha : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S^1 \text{ is constant.}$$

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correspond to VB-iso $F : TM \rightarrow TM$ over f s.t $F_x = d_xf$.

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Whenever $P(\mathcal{G}, \theta) \subset J^1\mathcal{G}$ smooth and $pr : P(\mathcal{G}, \theta) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ is a submersion,

$$(P(\mathcal{G}, \theta), \theta^{(1)}) = \theta^1|_{P(\mathcal{G}, \theta)}$$

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$$P(J^1(M \times M), \theta^1) = J^2(M \times M), \quad \text{and} \quad (\theta^1)^{(1)} = \theta^2,$$

where $J^2(M \times M)$ is the second jets of local diffeos, and θ^2 is the Cartan form.

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and the following two compatibility conditions:

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$$D_X[\alpha, \alpha'] = \nabla_\alpha(D_X\alpha') - D_{[\rho(\alpha), X]}\alpha' - \nabla_{\alpha'}(D_X\alpha) + D_{[\rho(\alpha'), X]}\alpha.$$

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The associated Spencer operator $D : \mathbb{R}^2 \times \Gamma(\mathbb{R} \ltimes \mathbb{R}^2) \rightarrow C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$, $l : \mathbb{R} \ltimes \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2$ of $d\alpha \in \Omega^1(S^1 \ltimes \mathbb{R}^2)$ is then

$$l(r) = r, \quad \text{and} \quad D_X(f) = df(X).$$

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