

Collective perturbations of Hamiltonian systems

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Outline

Perturb a G -symmetric Hamiltonian system by collective Hamiltonians — possibly stochastically. What structure survives?

- ▶ Collective Hamiltonians and collective perturbations
- ▶ Stochastic perturbations: deterministic reduction, stochastic reconstruction
- ▶ Mirror collective systems on Lie groups
- ▶ Diffeomorphic image registration and stochastic pulsions

*A. Saha, T. Schmah, C. Stoica, Stochastic Collective Hamiltonian Systems
(In preparation)*

Collective Hamiltonians

Setting: $(P, \{\cdot, \cdot\})$ a Poisson manifold.

G a Lie group acting freely, properly and canonically on P , with equivariant momentum map $J : P \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$.

Definition A collective function is one of the form $f \circ J$ for some $f : \mathfrak{g}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

A Hamiltonian of the form $H = f \circ J$ is called a collective Hamiltonian.

Collective Hamiltonian Theorem

$$X_{f \circ J}(z) = \left(\frac{\delta f}{\delta \mu} \right)_P (z),$$

where $(\cdot)_P(z)$ denotes the infinitesimal action of $\mathfrak{g}$ on P .

V. Guillemin and S. Sternberg, The moment map and collective motion, 1980

Symmetric and collective functions Poisson commute

Lemma For any G -invariant $h \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(P)$, and any $f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathfrak{g}^*)$,

$$\{h, f \circ J\} = 0.$$

Proof.

$$\{h, f \circ J\} = dh(z) \cdot X_{f \circ J}(z) = dh(z) \cdot \left(\frac{\delta f}{\delta \mu} \right)_P(z) = 0.$$



This reflects a **dual pair** structure (with $\pi : P \rightarrow P/G$):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & (P, \{\cdot, \cdot\}) & \\ \pi \swarrow & & \searrow J \\ (P/G, \{\cdot, \cdot\}^{\text{red}}) & & (\mathfrak{g}^*, \{\cdot, \cdot\}_+) \end{array}$$

Both legs are Poisson; $\ker T\pi \perp \ker TJ$ symplectically (leafwise).

A. Weinstein, The local structure of Poisson manifolds, 1983

Collective perturbations of Hamiltonian systems

In the same setting, let H_0 be a G -invariant Hamiltonian on P .

A **collective perturbation** of H_0 is a Hamiltonian of the form

$$H = H_0 + f \circ J,$$

for some $f \in C^\infty(\mathfrak{g}^*)$. (*The “perturbation” need not be small.*)

Energy H_0 is conserved by the Hamiltonian flow of H :

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{H}_0 &= \{H_0, H_0 + f \circ J\} \\ &= \{H_0, H_0\} + \{H_0, f \circ J\} = 0.\end{aligned}$$

But symmetry is broken (generically): H is not G -invariant.

What is conserved?

J itself is not conserved, but some functions of it are:

Proposition If $K \circ J$ is G -invariant, for $K \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathfrak{g}^*)$, then $K \circ J$ is conserved by the perturbed system.

In particular this holds whenever K is Ad^* -invariant, i.e. a Casimir of the Lie-Poisson bracket.

Example (rotational symmetry): $G = SO(3)$ acting by (lifted) rotations, e.g. on

- ▶ n -body problems: $P = T^*(\mathbb{R}^3)^n$,
- ▶ the rigid body: $P = T^*SO(3)$.

J is angular momentum, and $K(x) = \|x\|$ is rotationally invariant.

The perturbed system **need not conserve** J .

But it **always conserves** $\|J\|$.

Stochastic collective perturbations

Now perturb by noise instead: let $f_1, \dots, f_k \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathfrak{g}^*)$, and consider the stochastic Hamiltonian system (in Stratonovich form)

$$\bullet d\Gamma = X_{H_0}(\Gamma) dt + \sum_{i=1}^k X_{f_i \circ J}(\Gamma) \bullet dY^i,$$

driven by arbitrary semimartingales $Y^1, \dots, Y^k$.

- ▶ Energy H_0 is still conserved, and so is $K \circ J$ whenever it is G -invariant.
- ▶ But the system is not G -symmetric, so standard reduction of symmetric stochastic systems does not apply.

J.-A. Lázaro-Camí and J.-P. Ortega, Reduction, reconstruction, and skew-product decomposition of symmetric stochastic differential equations, 2009

Deterministic reduction, stochastic reconstruction

Let $z_0 \in P$, with momentum $\mu_0 = J(z_0)$, and let $z^{\text{det}}(t)$ be an integral curve of the *unperturbed* system X_{H_0} with $z^{\text{det}}(0) = z_0$.

Theorem 1 (Saha, Schmah, Stoica) Let $g(t)$ solve the Stratonovich equation in G

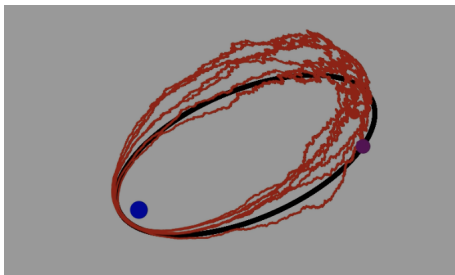
$$\bullet dg = \sum_{i=1}^k T_e R_g \left(\left. \frac{\delta f_i}{\delta \mu} \right|_{\mu = \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}}^* \mu_0} \right) \bullet dY^i, \quad g(0) = e.$$

Then $\Gamma = g \cdot z^{\text{det}}$ solves the stochastic system.

- ▶ The projection to P/G is **deterministic**: it is the reduced dynamics of H_0 .
- ▶ All the randomness enters through the **stochastic phase** $g(t)$.

Example: Kepler with a linear stochastic perturbation

$$\bullet d\Gamma = X_{H_0}(\Gamma)dt + \sum_{i=1}^3 X_{\nu_i J^i}(\Gamma) \bullet dZ^i,$$



stochastic precession, $\|J\|$ conserved

deterministic radial dynamics, $\|\mathbf{q}(t)\|$

A. Saha, Moser Regularization of a Stochastically Perturbed Kepler Problem, Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Astronomy, 2025

Motion on Lie groups: $P = T^*G$

G acts on itself two ways:

$$\text{(left translation)} \quad g \cdot h := L_g(h) := gh$$

$$\text{(right translation)} \quad g \cdot h := R_g(h) := hg$$

Both have lifted actions on T^*G and corresponding coadjoint-equivariant momentum maps:

$$\text{(for left translation)} \quad J_L(g, \alpha) = T^*R_g(\alpha) =: \alpha \cdot g^{-1},$$

$$\text{(for right translation)} \quad J_R(g, \alpha) = T^*L_g(\alpha) =: g^{-1} \cdot \alpha.$$

$$(T^*G \{ \cdot, \cdot \})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & J_R \swarrow & \searrow J_L \\ (\mathfrak{g}^*, \{ \cdot, \cdot \}_-) & & (\mathfrak{g}^*, \{ \cdot, \cdot \}_+) \end{array}$$

Example: in the rigid body,

J_L is spatial momentum π ,

J_R is body angular momentum $\Pi = R^{-1}\pi$.

Mirror collective Hamiltonians

$$H = \underbrace{f_L \circ J_R}_{\text{left-invariant}} + \underbrace{f_R \circ J_L}_{\text{right-invariant}} .$$

Theorem 2 (S, S, S) Let $(g_L(t), \mu_L(t))$ solve $X_{f_L \circ J_R}$ in left-trivialised coordinates and $(g_R(t), \mu_R(t))$ solve $X_{f_R \circ J_L}$ in right-trivialised coordinates, with compatible initial data. Then

$$g(t) = g_R(t) g_L(t)$$

is the base component of a solution of X_H .

There is also a stochastic version, with noise on both legs.

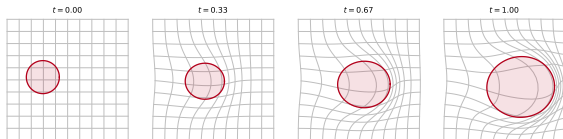
Continuum models

Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a domain, and let $G \subseteq \text{Diff}(D)$ be a group of diffeomorphisms, with Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}$ a space of smooth vector fields on D .

- ▶ Left translation: $L_\psi(\varphi) = \psi \circ \varphi$.
- ▶ Right translation (particle relabelling): $R_\psi(\varphi) = \varphi \circ \psi$,

Body and spatial momentum vector fields: $M = J_R$, $m = J_L$.

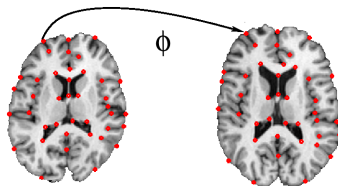
If $f_R(m) = \frac{1}{2} \|m\|_R^2$ for some vector space norm, then the solutions of $X_{f_R \circ J_L}$ are **geodesics** of a right-invariant metric:



The Lie-Poisson equations are in this context called EPDiff.

Diffeomorphic image registration

Given two images I and J with common domain Ω :



The *inexact matching problem*: find $\phi \in \text{Diff}(\Omega)$ minimising

$$\mathcal{A}(\phi) := \underbrace{d(I \circ \phi^{-1}, J)}_{\text{image matching term}} + \lambda \underbrace{d(\phi, Id)}_{\text{regulariser}}$$

In LDDMM (Trounev, Beg, Vialard, ...), the regulariser is geodesic distance for a *right*-invariant metric, from a norm $\|\cdot\|_R = \|\cdot\|_V$ on a space V of vector fields (often RKHS). $H = \frac{1}{2} \|m\|_R^2$.

In left-LDM (Schmah, Risser, Vialard), a *left*-invariant metric instead: spatially-varying regularisation in the frame of the source image.

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \|M\|_L^2$$

Mirror-LDDMM

Combine both, in a mirror collective Hamiltonian:

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \|M\|_L^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|m\|_R^2.$$

By Theorem 2, the base solution curve is

$$\varphi_R(t) \circ \psi_L(t),$$

a composition of a right-geodesic and a left-geodesic.

For image registration, this represents spatially-varying regularisation in both:

- ▶ the frame of the “target image” J (the $\|m\|_R^2$ term, as in LDDMM);
- ▶ the frame of the “source image” I (the $\|M\|_L^2$ term, as in left-LDM).

Stochastic pulsions and landmark dynamics

Lie-Poisson equations on $\text{Diff}(D)$ admit singular pulson solutions:

$$m(x, t) = \sum_{a=1}^N p_a(t) \delta(x - q_a(t))$$

(q, p) satisfy canonical Hamilton equations (landmark dynamics)

Proposition The set of pulson $\Sigma_N = \left\{ \sum_{a=1}^N p_a(t) \delta(x - q_a(t)) \right\}$ is invariant under stochastic Lie-Poisson equations. Dynamics on Σ_N reduces to a $2Nd$ -dim'l canonical stochastic Hamiltonian system.

In the RKHS setting this is rigorous: **stochastic landmark dynamics**.

For smooth kernels, the composed stochastic pulson flows

$\varphi_R(t) \circ \psi_L(t)$ solve the full **stochastic mirror** system.

Linear (SALT) noise: Holm 2015, Holm–Tyranowski 2016. Stochastic landmarks: Trouvé–Vialard 2012, Marsland–Shardlow 2017, Arnaudon–Holm–Sommer 2019.

New here: general collective noise, mirror systems

Summary

For H_0 G -invariant, perturbed by collective Hamiltonians $f_i \circ J$ (deterministically or stochastically):

- ▶ Energy H_0 is conserved; so is $K \circ J$ whenever G -invariant.
- ▶ The reduced dynamics are **deterministic**;
all randomness enters through **reconstruction**.
- ▶ On Lie groups: **mirror collective** systems, solved by composing left- and right- solutions. Application: mirror-LDDMM.
- ▶ Singular (pulson / landmark) solutions **persist under noise**.

Thank you!