

## On stochastic dynamical systems leaving fields of geometric objects invariant: revisited

(幾何学的対象の場を不変量にもつ確率的力学系について:再訪問)

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### 1 Introduction

Given a stochastic dynamical system on a manifold described by a stochastic differential equation (cf. [5]), we obtain a condition for the stochastic dynamical system to have a “field of geometric objects” (not necessary a tensor field) as an invariant. We also study a stochastic dynamical system leaving a  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  invariant. For this end, we use a generalized Itô’s formula applicable to fields of geometric objects ([1]).

In §2, we recall the notion of fields of geometric objects of order  $r$ , as well as the important notion of Lie differentiation of a field of geometric objects with respect to a vector field in the sense of Salvioli ([10]). In §3, using a generalized Itô’s formula, we obtain a condition for the stochastic flow of diffeomorphisms generated by a stochastic differential equation on a manifold to leave a field of geometric objects invariant. In particular, we also obtain a condition for such a stochastic dynamical system to leave a  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  invariant. Several examples are given in §4.

Some results in this note are based on [1] and [3].

### 2 Fields of geometric objects

Let  $M$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact,  $n$ -dimensional  $C^\infty$  manifold, and let  $P^r(M)$  be the bundle of frames of  $r$ -th order contact over  $M$  with structure group  $G^r(n)$  and projection  $\pi$ . Here, each point of  $P^r(M)$  is the  $r$ -jet  $j_0^r(f)$  at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  given by a diffeomorphism  $f$  of an open neighborhood of  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  onto an open set of  $M$ , and

$\pi(j_0^r(f)) := f(0)$ . Also,

$$G^r(n) = \{j_0^r(\psi) : \psi \text{ is a diffeomorphism of an open neighborhood of } 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ onto an open neighborhood of } 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ such that } \psi(0) = 0\}$$

acts on  $P^r(M)$  on the right by the usual composition law of jets ([6]).

By a **field of geometric objects** (of order  $r$ ), we shall mean a  $C^\infty$  section of a fiber bundle  $E$  associated with  $P^r(M)$ . (For simplicity, we assume that  $E$  admits a global  $C^\infty$  section and that the domain of the definition of a field of geometric objects is  $M$ .) Note that the ( $C^\infty$ ) vector fields, differential forms, (usual) tensor fields, pseudo-tensor fields, oriented tensor fields, and tensor densities are examples of fields of geometric objects of order one, and the affine connections without torsion and the projective structures (over  $M$ ) are examples of fields of geometric objects of order two.

In particular, when  $G^r(n)$  acts transitively on the standard fiber  $E_0$  of  $E$  on the left, that is,  $E_0$  is a homogeneous space  $G^r(n)/G$  with  $G$  a closed subgroup of  $G^r(n)$ , then  $E = P^r(M)/G = P^r(M) \times_{G^r(n)} (G^r(n)/G)$ , and the  $G$ -**structures** of degree (or order)  $r$  (that is, the  $G$ -subbundles of  $P^r(M)$ ) are in one-to-one correspondence with the fields of geometric objects  $\sigma : M \rightarrow P^r(M)/G$  ([6]).

Now let  $\pi_{T(M)} : T(M) \rightarrow M$  denote the tangent bundle over  $M$  and  $T_x(M)$  the tangent space of  $M$  at  $x \in M$ . Let  $\tilde{\varphi}$  be the transformation of  $P^r(M)$  induced naturally from a  $C^\infty$  transformation  $\varphi$  of  $M$ , that is,

$$\tilde{\varphi}(j_0^r(f)) = j_0^r(\varphi \circ f), \quad j_0^r(f) \in P^r(M).$$

Then  $\tilde{\varphi}$  induces naturally a transformation  $\bar{\varphi}$  of  $E$  such that  $\pi_E \circ \bar{\varphi} = \varphi \circ \pi_E$ , where  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  is the projection. We define a section  $\varphi^\sharp \sigma : M \rightarrow E$  by  $\varphi^\sharp \sigma = \bar{\varphi}^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \varphi$ .

Correspondingly, a  $C^\infty$  vector field  $X : M \ni x \mapsto X(x) \in T_x(M)$  induces a  $C^\infty$  vector field  $\tilde{X}$  on  $P^r(M)$  and a  $C^\infty$  vector field  $\bar{X}$  on  $E$ , respectively, in a natural manner. In other words,  $X$  generates a local one-parameter group of local transformations  $\varphi_t$  of  $M$ , and  $\varphi_t$  induces a local one-parameter group of local transformations  $\tilde{\varphi}_t$  (resp.  $\bar{\varphi}_t$ ) of  $P^r(M)$  (resp.  $E$ ). Then  $\tilde{X}$  (resp.  $\bar{X}$ ) is the vector field generating  $\tilde{\varphi}_t$  (resp.  $\bar{\varphi}_t$ ). We set

$$\varphi_t^\sharp \sigma = (\bar{\varphi}_t)^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \varphi_t.$$

The vector field  $\tilde{X}$  (resp.  $\bar{X}$ ) is called the **natural lift** of  $X$  to  $P^r(M)$  (resp.  $E$ ) (see [8] (for the case  $r = 1$ ) and [6]).

Define the **Lie derivative**

$$\hat{L}_X \sigma : M \longrightarrow T(E)$$

of  $\sigma$  with respect to  $X$  in the sense of Salvioli by ([10])

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{L}_X\sigma)(x) &:= \left. \frac{d}{dt}(\varphi_t^\sharp\sigma)(x) \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \sigma_*(X(x)) - \tilde{X}(\sigma(x)) \in T_{\sigma(x)}(E), \quad x \in M, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_*$  denotes the differential of the map  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$ . Note that  $(\hat{L}_X\sigma)(x)$  is tangent to the fiber of  $E$  through  $\sigma(x)$ .

Let  $G$  be a closed subgroup of  $G^r(n)$  and let  $P$  be a  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  on  $M$ . A  $C^\infty$  transformation  $\varphi$  of  $M$  is called an **automorphism** of  $P$  if the induced transformation  $\tilde{\varphi}$  of  $P^r(M)$  maps  $P$  onto  $P$ . We prepare the following lemma (see, e.g., [3]).

**Lemma 2.1** *Let  $G$  be a closed subgroup of  $G^r(n)$ . Let  $P$  be a  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  on  $M$ , and  $\sigma : M \rightarrow P^r(M)/G$  the field of geometric objects corresponding to  $P$ . Then:*

- (1) *For a  $C^\infty$  transformation  $\varphi$  of  $M$ , the  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  corresponding to  $\varphi^\sharp\sigma$  is given by  $\tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(P)$ .*
- (2) *A  $C^\infty$  transformation  $\varphi$  of  $M$  is an automorphism of  $P \iff \varphi^\sharp\sigma = \sigma$ .*
- (3)  *$X$  is an infinitesimal automorphism of  $P \iff \hat{L}_X\sigma = 0$ .*

### 3 Stochastic dynamical systems leaving fields of geometric objects invariant

Let  $M$  and  $G$  be as in §2. Let  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_k$  be  $C^\infty$  vector fields on  $M$ . For each  $\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , let  $\tilde{X}_\lambda$  be the natural lift of  $X_\lambda$  to  $P^r(M)$ , and consider the following stochastic differential equation in the Stratonovich form:

$$dp_t = \sum_{\lambda=0}^k \tilde{X}_\lambda(p_t) \circ dw_t^\lambda. \quad (3.1)$$

Here,  $w_t^0 \equiv t$ , and  $w_t = (w_t^1, \dots, w_t^k)$  is the  $k$ -dimensional Wiener process realized canonically on the  $k$ -dimensional standard Wiener space. The solution with the initial condition  $p_s = p \in P^r(M)$  is denoted by  $p_{s,t}(p) = (p_{s,t}(p, w))$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ . Then  $p_{s,t}$  is a (stochastic) map  $p_{s,t} : P^r(M) \rightarrow P^r(M)$ . Assume that  $p_{s,t}$  defines a stochastic flow of ( $C^\infty$ ) diffeomorphisms of  $P^r(M)$ . Then  $p_{s,t}$  induces a stochastic flow  $\xi_{s,t}$  of diffeomorphisms of  $M$ . Note that  $\xi_{s,t}$  is also generated by the following stochastic differential equation:

$$d\xi_t = \sum_{\lambda=0}^k X_\lambda(\xi_t) \circ dw_t^\lambda.$$

Note also that, for almost all  $w$ ,

$$p_{s,t}(j_0^r(f)) = j_0^r(\xi_{s,t} \circ f) = \tilde{\xi}_{s,t}(j_0^r(f)), \quad j_0^r(f) \in P^r(M), \quad 0 \leq s \leq t.$$

Moreover,  $\xi_{s,t}$  generates a stochastic flow  $\eta_{s,t}(= \bar{\xi}_{s,t})$  of diffeomorphisms of  $E$ ;  $\eta_{s,t}$  is also generated by the following stochastic differential equation:

$$d\eta_t = \sum_{\lambda=0}^k \bar{X}_\lambda(\eta_t) \circ dw_t^\lambda,$$

where  $\bar{X}_\lambda$  is the natural lift of  $X_\lambda$  to  $E$ . We define the **stochastic deformation** of  $\sigma$  by

$$\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma = \eta_{s,t}^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \xi_{s,t}.$$

We shall say that a field of geometric objects  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$  is an **invariant** of  $\xi_{s,t}$  if

$$\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma = \sigma \text{ (a.s.)}.$$

**Theorem 3.1** *Let  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$  be a field of geometric objects. Suppose the equation (3.1) generates a stochastic flow  $p_{s,t}$  of ( $C^\infty$ ) diffeomorphisms of  $P^r(M)$  (with probability 1). Then for the stochastic flow  $\xi_{s,t}$  of diffeomorphisms of  $M$  induced from  $p_{s,t}$ , it holds that*

$$\sigma \text{ is an invariant of } \xi_{s,t} \iff \hat{L}_{X_\lambda} \sigma = 0 \quad (\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k).$$

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $G$  be a closed subgroup of  $G^r(n)$ , and let  $P$  be a  $G$ -structure of degree  $r$  on  $M$ . Let  $\sigma : M \rightarrow P^r(M)/G$  be the field of geometric objects corresponding to  $P$ . Assume that the equation (3.1) generates a stochastic flow  $p_{s,t}$  of diffeomorphisms of  $P^r(M)$  (with probability 1). Then for the stochastic flow  $\xi_{s,t}$  of diffeomorphisms of  $M$  induced from  $p_{s,t}$ , it holds that*

$$\xi_{s,t} \text{ is a stochastic flow of automorphisms of } P \iff \hat{L}_{X_\lambda} \sigma = 0 \quad (\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k).$$

These theorems are proved by using the following theorem ([1]). (For a tangent vector or a vector field  $Y$  on  $N$ , we denote by  $Y[H]$  the operation of  $Y$  on a  $C^\infty$  function  $H : N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .)

**Theorem 3.3** (Generalized Itô's formula for  $\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma$ ) *For a  $C^\infty$  function  $F : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} & F \circ (\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma)(x) - F \circ \sigma(x) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda=0}^k \Phi_{s,t}^\lambda(x, F) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \int_s^t (X_\alpha(\xi_{s,u}(x))) [((\hat{L}_{X_\alpha} \sigma)(\cdot)) [F \circ \eta_{s,u}^{-1}]] \\ & \quad - ((\hat{L}_{X_\alpha} \sigma) \circ \xi_{s,u}(x)) [\bar{X}_\alpha [F \circ \eta_{s,u}^{-1}]] \cdot du, \quad (x \in M), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Phi_{s,t}^\lambda(x, F) := \int_s^t (\eta_{s,u})_*^{-1}((\hat{L}_{X_\lambda} \sigma) \circ \xi_{s,u}(x))[F] \cdot dw_u^\lambda,$$

and  $\cdot dw_u^\lambda$  denotes the Itô stochastic differential.

In the case where  $E$  is a vector bundle, we have the following.

**Theorem 3.4** ([1]) *Let  $E$  be a vector bundle associated with  $P^r(M)$ . Then, for a field of geometric objects  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$ ,*

$$\xi_{s,t}^\# \sigma - \sigma = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \int_s^t \xi_{s,u}^\# \mathcal{L}_{X_\alpha} \sigma \cdot dw_u^\alpha + \int_s^t \xi_{s,u}^\# \left[ \mathcal{L}_{X_0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\mathcal{L}_{X_\alpha})^2 \right] \sigma du.$$

Here

$$\mathcal{L}_X \sigma = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (\bar{\varphi}_t^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \varphi_t - \sigma)$$

under the notations in §2.

**Remark 3.1** In particular, in the case where  $\sigma$  is a tensor field, the corresponding result is also given in, e.g., [4] and [9].

## 4 Examples

**Example 4.1** *Stochastic flow of projective transformations.*

Let  $P$  be a projective structure on  $M$  with  $\dim M = n \geq 2$ . (Therefore,  $r = 2$  and  $G = H^2(n)$  in the sense of [6] and [7].) Then  $\xi_{s,t}$  is a stochastic flow of projective transformations of  $M$  with respect to  $P$  if and only if each  $X_\lambda$  is an infinitesimal projective transformation ([3]).

**Example 4.2** *Stochastic dynamical system having an  $\ell$ -dimensional  $C^\infty$  distribution on  $M$  as an invariant.*

Let  $L(M)(= P^1(M))$  be the bundle of linear frames over  $M$  ( $\dim M \geq 2$ ). Let  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $1 \leq \ell < n = \dim M$ , and let  $G(n, \ell)$  be the Grassmann manifold formed of  $\ell$ -dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  ([8]). The general linear group  $G(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts on  $G(n, \ell)$  on the left. Then we have a fiber bundle  $E$  (with standard fiber  $G(n, \ell)$  and structure group  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ ) associated with  $L(M)$ . This  $E$  is called the (unoriented) **Grassmann bundle** of  $\ell$ -planes over  $M$  in the literature. The  $C^\infty$  sections of  $E$  are in one-to-one correspondence with the  $\ell$ -dimensional  $C^\infty$  distributions on  $M$ .

Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be an  $\ell$ -dimensional  $C^\infty$  distribution on  $M$ , and let  $\sigma_{\mathcal{D}} : M \rightarrow E$  be the field of geometric objects corresponding to  $\mathcal{D}$ . Then we can define an  $\ell$ -dimensional

stochastic distribution  $\mathcal{D}_{s,t}$  (the stochastic deformation of  $\mathcal{D}$ ) as the (stochastic) distribution corresponding to  $\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma_{\mathcal{D}}$ , and it holds that

$$\mathcal{D} \text{ is an invariant of } \xi_{s,t} \iff \xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma_{\mathcal{D}} = \sigma_{\mathcal{D}} \text{ (a.s.)} \iff \hat{L}_{X_\lambda} \sigma_{\mathcal{D}} = 0 \text{ } (\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k).$$

**Example 4.3** *Stochastic dynamical system leaving a second order linear (partial) differential operator on  $C^\infty$  functions on  $M$  invariant.*

Let  $\mathbb{F} = (\mathbb{R}^n \odot \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus \mathbb{R}^n \oplus \mathbb{R} (\cong \mathbb{R}^m, m = n(n+1)/2 + n + 1)$ , where the symbol  $\odot$  stands for the symmetric tensor product. Define the action of  $G^2(n)$  on  $\mathbb{F}$  on the left as follows:

$$(s_j^i; s_{jm}^i)(a^{ij}; b^i; c) = \left( \sum_{m,\ell=1}^n s_m^i s_\ell^j a^{m\ell}; \sum_{j,m=1}^n s_{jm}^i a^{jm} + \sum_{j=1}^n s_j^i b^j; c \right),$$

where  $(s_j^i; s_{jm}^i)$  ( $s_{jm}^i = s_{mj}^i$ ) and  $(a^{ij}; b^i; c)$  ( $a^{ij} = a^{ji}$ ),  $i, j, m = 1, \dots, n$ , are natural coordinates of  $G^2(n)$  and  $\mathbb{F}$ , respectively. Then we obtain a vector bundle  $E(M, \mathbb{F}, G^2(n), P^2(M))$  with standard fiber  $\mathbb{F}$  and structure group  $G^2(n)$ , associated with  $P^2(M)$ . Each  $C^\infty$  section  $\sigma$  of  $E$  corresponds to a second order (possibly degenerate) linear (partial) differential operator  $\mathcal{A}_\sigma$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued  $C^\infty$  functions on  $M$  (cf. [2]). Each field of geometric objects  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$  is expressed locally as

$$\left( x^i; \left[ \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}; \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right), (a^{ij}(x); b^i(x); c(x)) \right] \right), (i, j = 1, \dots, n),$$

and  $\mathcal{A}_\sigma$  is expressed locally as

$$\mathcal{A}_\sigma = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a^{ij}(x) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} + \sum_{i=1}^n b^i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + c(x).$$

It holds that

$$\mathcal{A}_\sigma \text{ is an invariant of } \xi_{s,t} \iff \mathcal{L}_{X_\lambda} \sigma = 0 \text{ } (\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k).$$

**Example 4.4** *Mean invariants.*

Let  $E$  be a vector bundle associated with  $P^r(M)$ . Then for a field of geometric objects  $\sigma : M \rightarrow E$ , we have, by Theorem 3.4,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma \text{ is a mean invariant of } \xi_{s,t} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \text{(the expectation)} \mathbb{E}[\xi_{s,t}^\sharp \sigma] = \sigma \\ &\iff \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\mathcal{L}_{X_\alpha})^2 + \mathcal{L}_{X_0} \right) \sigma = 0. \end{aligned}$$

We also give the following example, although the setting is slightly different from that of §3.

**Example 4.5** *Random acceleration on a Riemannian manifold.*

Let  $(M, g)$  be a  $C^\infty$  Riemannian manifold, and let  $\Phi$  be the geodesic spray. Let  $\hat{X}_\lambda$  be the vertical lift of  $X_\lambda$  to  $T(M)$ ,  $\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k$ ; that is,

$$(\hat{X}_\lambda)_v = \left. \frac{d}{dt}(v + t(X_\lambda)_{\pi_{T(M)}(v)}) \right|_{t=0} \in T_v(T(M)).$$

Consider the following stochastic differential equation on  $T(M)$  (an equation of random acceleration):

$$dV_t = (\Phi + \hat{X}_0)(V_t)dt + \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \hat{X}_\alpha(V_t) \circ dw_t^\alpha.$$

Let  $\theta$  be a  $C^\infty$  differential 1-form on  $M$ , and define a  $C^\infty$  function  $F_\theta$  on  $T(M)$  by

$$F_\theta(v) = \theta(v), \quad v \in T(M).$$

Then

$$d(\theta(V_t)) = dF_\theta(V_t) = (\Phi + \hat{X}_0)[F_\theta](V_t)dt + \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \hat{X}_\alpha[F_\theta](V_t) \circ dw_t^\alpha.$$

For  $v \in T(M)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{X}_\lambda[F_\theta](v) &= \left. \frac{d}{dt}(v + t(X_\lambda)_{\pi_{T(M)}(v)})[F_\theta] \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt}\theta(v + t(X_\lambda)_{\pi_{T(M)}(v)}) \right|_{t=0} = \theta(X_\lambda)(\pi_{T(M)}(v)). \end{aligned}$$

Also,  $\Phi[F_\theta](v)$  is expressed locally as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \sum_{i=1}^n v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j,m=1}^n \Gamma_{jm}^i v^j v^m \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i} \right) \left[ \sum_{\ell=1}^n \theta_\ell v^\ell \right] \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial \theta_j}{\partial x^i} - \sum_{m=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^m \theta_m \right) v^i v^j = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\nabla_i \theta_j + \nabla_j \theta_i) v^i v^j, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nabla$  stands for covariant differentiation with respect to the Levi-Civita connection and  $\Gamma_{jm}^i$  the connection coefficients. Therefore, if

$$\nabla_i \theta_j + \nabla_j \theta_i = 0 \quad (\text{Killing equation}) \quad \text{and} \quad \theta(X_\lambda) = 0$$

for  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , that is, if the vector field  $X_\theta$  corresponding to  $\theta$  through  $g$  (namely,  $g(X_\theta, \cdot) = \theta$ ) is a Killing vector field and is orthogonal to each  $X_\lambda$  in the sense that  $g(X_\theta, X_\lambda) = 0$ , then  $F_\theta$  is an invariant of the solution of the above equation of random acceleration.

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