# ON THE GEOMETRY OF THE STANDARD *k*-SIMPLECTIC AND POISSON MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. The relation between the induced canonical connections on the reduced standard k-symplectic manifolds with respect to the action of a Lie group G is established. Similarly, defining Poisson brackets on these manifolds, the relation between the corresponding Poisson brackets on the reduced manifolds is stated.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The reduction is an important proceeder in symplectic mechanics. It has applications in fluids ([10]), electromagnetism and plasma physics ([9]), etc. Basicly, it consists of building new manifolds that inherit the same structures and similar properties as the initial manifolds. Applying the Marsden-Weinstein reduction for k-symplectic manifolds, we have shown (5) that a k-symplectic manifold gives by reduction a k-symplectic manifold, too. A particular case of k-symplectic manifold is the standard k-symplectic manifold  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  with the canonical k-symplectic structure induced from  $(R^n, \omega_0)$  ([1]), that will be naturally identified with the Whitney sum of k copies of  $T^*R^n$ , that is  $(T_k^1)^* R^n \equiv T^* R^n \oplus .k \oplus T^* R^n$  ([8]). Then, using a diffeomorphism, we can transfer on the k-tangent bundle  $T_k^1 R^n$  the standard k-symplectic structure from  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$ , that will be reduced, too. Similarly,  $T_k^1 R^n$  will be identified with the Whitney sum of k copies of  $TR^n$ . We proved that on a k-symplectic manifold, there exists a canonical connection ([7]). This canonical connection induces a canonical connection on the reduced manifold ([2]). Finally, we shall discuss the relation between the two induced canonical connections on the reduced standard k-symplectic manifolds. Similarly, a Poisson bracket on the standard k-symplectic manifolds shall be reduced and the relation between the two reduced Poisson brackets will be stated.

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#### 2. *k*-symplectic structures

Let M be an (n + nk)-dimensional smooth manifold.

**Definition 1.** ([1]) We call  $(M, \omega_i, V)_{1 \le i \le k}$  k-symplectic manifold if  $\omega_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ , are k 2-forms and V is an nk-dimensional distribution that satisfy the conditions:

- 1.  $\omega_i$  is closed, for every  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ;
- 2.  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{k} \ker \omega_{i} = \{0\};$ 3.  $\omega_{i|_{V \times V}} = 0, \text{ for every } 1 \le i \le k.$

The canonical model for this structure is the k-cotangent bundle  $(T_k^1)^*N$ of an arbitrary manifold N, which can be identified with the vector bundle  $J^1(N, R^k)_0$  whose total space is the manifold of 1-jets of maps with target  $0 \in R^k$ , and projection  $\tau^*(j_{x,0}^1\sigma) = x$ . We shall identify  $(T_k^1)^*N$  with the Whitney sum of k copies of  $T^*N$ ,

$$(T_k^1)^*N \cong T^*N \oplus .^k \oplus T^*N,$$
$$j_{x,0}\sigma \mapsto (j_{x,0}^1\sigma^1, \dots, j_{x,0}^k\sigma^k),$$

where  $\sigma^i = \pi_i \circ \sigma : N \longrightarrow R$  is the *i*-th component of  $\sigma$  and the *k*-symplectic structure on  $(T_k^1)^*N$  is given by

$$\omega_i = (\tau_i^*)^*(\omega_0)$$

and

$$V_{j_{x,0}^1\sigma} = \ker(\tau^*)_*(j_{x,0}^1\sigma),$$

where  $\tau_i^* : (T_k^1)^* N \longrightarrow T^* N$  is the canonical projection on the *i*-th copy  $T^* N$  of  $(T_k^1)^* N$  and  $\omega_0$  is the standard symplectic structure on  $T^* N$ .

## 3. The standard k-symplectic manifolds

Let  $\Phi: G \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be an action of a Lie group G on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Define the lifted action  $\Phi^{T_k^*}: G \times (T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n \to (T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n$  to the standard k-symplectic manifold  $(T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\Phi^{T_k^*}: G \times (T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n \to (T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n,$$

$$\Phi^{T_k^*}(g, \alpha_{1q}, \dots, \alpha_{kq}) := (\alpha_{1q} \circ (\Phi_{g^{-1}})_{*\Phi_g(q)}, \dots, \alpha_{kq} \circ (\Phi_{g^{-1}})_{*\Phi_g(q)}), \qquad (1)$$

 $g \in G$ ,  $(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k) \in (T_k^1)^* R^n$ ,  $q \in R^n$ , which is a k-symplectic action ([11]), that is, it preserves the standard k-symplectic structure  $\omega_1, \ldots, \omega_k$  on  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$ . In a similar way, one can lift the action  $\Phi$  to  $T_k^1 R^n$ :

$$\Phi^{T_k} : G \times T_k^1 R^n \to T_k^1 R^n,$$
  
$$\Phi^{T_k}(g, v_{1q}, \dots, v_{kq}) := ((\Phi_g)_{*q} v_{1q}, \dots, (\Phi_g)_{*q} v_{kq}),$$
(2)

 $g \in G, (v_1, \ldots, v_k) \in T_k^1 \mathbb{R}^n, q \in \mathbb{R}^n.$ 

Now, using a diffeomorphism  $F : T_k^1 R^n \to (T_k^1)^* R^n$ , equivariant with respect to the actions of G on  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  and  $T_k^1 R^n$ , we can take the pull-back on  $T_k^1 R^n$  of the k-symplectic structure  $(\omega_i, V)_{1 \le i \le k}$  on the standard k-symplectic manifold  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  ([8]), and define  $((\omega_F)_i, V_F)_{1 \le i \le k}$  by:

1.  $(\omega_F)_i = F^* \omega_i$ ,

2. 
$$V_F = \ker(\pi_F)_*,$$

for any  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , where  $\pi_F : T_k^1 R^n \to R^n$ ,  $\pi_F(v_{1q}, \ldots, v_{kq}) := q$ . Then  $(T_k^1 R^n, (\omega_F)_i, V_F)_{1 \leq i \leq k}$  is a k-symplectic manifold and F becomes a symplectomorphism between  $(T_k^1 R^n, (\omega_F)_i, V_F)_{1 \leq i \leq k}$  and  $((T_k^1)^* R^n, \omega_i, V)_{1 \leq i \leq k}$ . For instance, such a diffeomorphism between  $T_k^1 R^n$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  can be the Legendre transformation TL associated to a regular Lagrangian  $L \in C^{\infty}(T_k^1 R^n, R)$ , that is

$$TL: T_k^1 \mathbb{R}^n \to (T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n$$

defined by

$$(TL(v_{1q},\ldots,v_{kq}))^{i}(w_{q}) := \frac{d}{ds} \mid_{s=0} L(v_{1q},\ldots,v_{iq}+sw_{q},\ldots,v_{kq}), \ (\forall) 1 \le i \le k.$$
(3)

#### 4. CANONICAL CONNECTIONS AND POISSON STRUCTURES

If the Lie group G acts freely and properly on  $T_k^1 R^n$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$ , then the quotient spaces  $T_k^1 R^n/G$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n/G$  are smooth manifolds. We proved that on any k-symplectic manifold, there exists a canonical connection ([7]). On the two standard k-symplectic manifolds described above, consider the two

canonical connections  $\nabla$  on  $(T_k^1)^*R^n$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  on  $T_k^1R^n$  which induce, naturally, on the reduced manifolds  $(T_k^1)^*R^n/G$  and  $T_k^1R^n/G$  respectively the reduced canonical connections  $\nabla^G$  and  $\bar{\nabla}^G$  ([2]).

As F is compatible with the equivalence relations that define the quotient manifolds  $T_k^1 R^n/G$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n/G$ , it induces a diffeomorphism [F]:  $T_k^1 R^n/G \to (T_k^1)^* R^n/G$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} T_k^1 R^n & \xrightarrow{F} & (T_k^1)^* R^n \\ \pi^{T_k} \downarrow & \downarrow \pi^{T_k^*} \\ T_k^1 R^n / G & \xrightarrow{[F]} & (T_k^1)^* R^n / G \end{array}$$

where  $\pi^{T_k^*}: (T_k^1)^* R^n \to (T_k^1)^* R^n/G$  and  $\pi^{T_k}: T_k^1 R^n \to T_k^1 R^n/G$  are the canonical projections.

Then we have

**Proposition 1.** ([3]) The two reduced connections are connected by the relation

$$[F]_* \circ \bar{\nabla}^G = \nabla^G \circ ([F]_* \times [F]_*). \tag{4}$$

Consider now a Hamiltonian  $H \in C^{\infty}((T_k^1)^*R^n, R)$  and denote by  $X_H^i = (X_{1H}^i, \ldots, X_{kH}^i), 1 \leq i \leq k$ , the Hamiltonian vector fields on  $(T_k^1)^*R^n$  associated to H ([13]).

**Proposition 2.** ([13]) A Poisson bracket on  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  is given by

$$\{f,h\} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \omega_i(X_{if}^i, X_{ih}^i),$$
(5)

where  $f, h \in C^{\infty}((T_k^1)^*R^n, R)$  and  $X_f^i = (X_{1f}^i, \ldots, X_{kf}^i), X_h^i = (X_{1h}^i, \ldots, X_{kh}^i), 1 \leq i \leq k$ , are the corresponding Hamiltonian vector fields.

In ([6]) we have proved that

$$\{f,h\}_F = F^*\{F^{*-1}f,F^{*-1}h\},\tag{6}$$

 $f, h \in C^{\infty}(T_k^1 \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ , is a Poisson bracket on  $T_k^1 \mathbb{R}^n$ .

We want to induce Poisson brackets on  $T_k^1 R^n/G$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n/G$ . For that, we need some additional assumptions concerning the actions of G on these spaces.

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Assume that G acts canonically on  $T_k^1 R^n$  and  $(T_k^1)^* R^n$  via the maps  $\Phi_{g^k}^{T_k^*}$ and  $\Phi_q^{T_k}$  respectively, that is

$$(\Phi_g^{T_k})^* \{f, h\}_F = \{(\Phi_g^{T_k})^*(f), (\Phi_g^{T_k})^*(h)\}_F, \ (\forall)g \in G,$$

 $f,h\in C^\infty(T^1_kR^n,R)$  and

$$(\Phi_g^{T_k^*})^* \{f, h\} = \{ (\Phi_g^{T_k^*})^* (f), (\Phi_g^{T_k^*})^* (h) \}, \quad (\forall) g \in G,$$

 $f, h \in C^{\infty}((T_k^1)^* \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}).$ 

In this case, following ([12]), the reduced spaces  $(T_k^1)^* R^n/G$  and  $T_k^1 R^n/G$  are Poisson manifolds, too, with the Poisson brackets given by

$$\{f,h\}^{(T_k^1)^*R^n/G}(\pi^{T_k^*}(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_k)) := \{f \circ \pi^{T_k^*}, h \circ \pi^{T_k^*}\}(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_k),$$
(7)

 $f, h \in C^{\infty}((T_k^1)^* R^n/G, R), (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k) \in (T_k^1)^* R^n$  and respectively by

$$\{f,h\}_{F}^{T_{k}^{1}R^{n}/G}(\pi^{T_{k}}(v_{1},\ldots,v_{k})) := \{f \circ \pi^{T_{k}}, h \circ \pi^{T_{k}}\}_{F}(v_{1},\ldots,v_{k}),$$
(8)

 $f,h \in C^{\infty}(T_k^1 R^n/G,R), (v_1,\ldots,v_k) \in T_k^1 R^n.$ 

Then we have

**Proposition 3.** ([4]) For any  $f, h \in C^{\infty}((T_k^1)^*R^n/G, R)$ , the two reduced Poisson brackets are connected by the relation

$$[F]^* \{f, h\}^{(T_k^1)^* R^n/G} = \{ [F]^*(f), [F]^*(h) \}_F^{T_k^1 R^n/G}.$$
(9)

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