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Noncommutative Integration of Hamiltonian Systems

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This paper is concerned with the problem of reducing a Hamiltonian system on a symplectic manifold given a k -dimensional Lie Algebra of functions on M , thinking of them as integrals of a given H .

To be a bit more clear, we have the situation (M^{2n}, ω) and k functions f_1, \dots, f_k that are closed with respect to the Poisson Bracket induced by ω $\{f, g\} = \omega(X_f, X_g)$. The functions satisfy,

$$\{f_i, f_j\} = \sum_{\ell=1}^k C_{ij}^{\ell} f_{\ell} \quad \ell \in \{1, \dots, k\}. \quad C_{ij}^{\ell} \text{ are constants independent of } m \in M.$$

Thus provided f_1, \dots, f_k are independent (to be defined) they form a k -dim Lie Algebra, \mathfrak{g} .

Let $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}^*$. Define $\mathfrak{h}_{\xi} = \{x \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \xi \circ \text{ad}_x \equiv 0\}$. In other words $x \in \mathfrak{h}_{\xi} \Leftrightarrow \langle \xi, \{x, y\} \rangle = 0 \quad \forall y \in \mathfrak{g}$. \mathfrak{h}_{ξ} is clearly a linear subspace of \mathfrak{g} .

Define: $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}^*$ is in general position provided \mathfrak{h}_{ξ} has smallest possible dimension.

Define: Rank \mathfrak{g} = dim of \mathfrak{h}_{ξ} for ξ in general position.

Then, we will prove:

Theorem 1 (M^{2n}, ω) f_1, \dots, f_k as above. Let T^r denote the common nonsingular level surface defined by $f_i(x) = \xi_i$, $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$. Assume the $f_i(x)$ are independent in the sense that $\forall m \in T^r$ $\text{df}_i(m)$ are k independent cotangent vectors in $T_m^* T^r$. Suppose the Lie Algebra \mathfrak{g} satisfies:

$$\dim \mathfrak{g} + \text{Rank} \mathfrak{g} = \dim M = 2n.$$

Then T^r is a smooth submanifold invariant with respect to every vector field X_h where $h \in \mathfrak{h}_{\xi}$, where $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k)$ is a co-vector of \mathfrak{g} .

Furthermore, if T^r is compact and connected, it is then diffeomorphic to an r -Torus on which X_h takes a simple form.

Before proceeding with the proof, I want to give some background on this subject. Given a Hamiltonian system X_H on (M^{2n}, ω) it is natural to attempt to find as many integrals as possible, in order to reduce the dimension of the submanifold on which a given trajectory lies. For example if f, g are 2 independent integrals, $\{H, f\} = \{H, g\} = 0$. Then considering $f(x) = \varepsilon_1, g(x) = \varepsilon_2$ we get 2 hypersurfaces of dim $2n-1$ which, in the case of general position, intersect transversally, in a submanifold $M_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}^{2n-2}$. Since f and g are constant along the orbits of X_H we must have $X_H(x) \in T_x M_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}^{2n-2} \quad \forall x \in M_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}$. If we can find $2n-1$ such independent integrals, then in principle we can reduce the dynamics to a $2n - (2n-1) = 1$ dimensional submanifold.

Also, note that if f and g are integrals, then so is $\{f, g\}$ since we have $\{H, \{f, g\}\} = \{\{H, f\}, g\} + \{f, \{H, g\}\} = 0 + 0$ by Jacob's identity. Of course, there is no guarantee that $\{f, g\}$ is independent of f and g .

Liouville's Theorem: Suppose there exists n independent functions f_1, \dots, f_n such that $\{f_i, f_j\} = 0$. Let M_ε be a nonsingular level surface defined by $f_i(x) = \varepsilon_i$. Then, this surface is invariant under the flow of any vector field X_f where $f \in \text{Span}\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$. Furthermore, if M_ε is compact, connected, then it is diffeomorphic to T^n The n -Torus. Also, there exist symplectic coords. in a nbhd. of T^n s.t.

$\omega = \sum ds_i \wedge dq_i, \quad q_i, s_i$ coords. on T^n and s_1, \dots, s_n coords. in a transverse direction to T^n . In these coords. the dynamical system has the form $\dot{s}_i = 0, \quad \dot{q}_i = h_i(s_1, \dots, s_n)$.

Remark 1: The commutative n -dim subalgebra of $C^\infty(M)$ is mapped by $\alpha: f_i \mapsto X_{f_i}$ to n linearly independent vector fields on M_ε .

They are commutative since (depending on sign conventions)

is a (local) homeomorphism. Thus $\alpha \{f_i, f_j\} = [\alpha(f_i), \alpha(f_j)]$,

Remark 2: The symplectic form ω , restricted to M_ξ , is zero

Since $\omega_x(X_{f_i}, X_{f_j}) = \{f_i, f_j\}_x = 0$ and $X_{f_i}(x)$ form a basis for $T_x M_\xi$ by the independence condition.

Remark 3: There is a natural ^{symplectic} \mathbb{R}^n action on T^n defined via the flows \mathcal{Q}_i of each X_{f_i} . Define $\alpha(y): T^n \rightarrow T^n$ as follows, where $y = x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + \dots + x_n e_n$, e_1, \dots, e_n standard basis \mathbb{R}^n . $\alpha(y)(t) = \mathcal{Q}_1^{x_1} \circ \mathcal{Q}_2^{x_2} \circ \dots \circ \mathcal{Q}_n^{x_n}(t)$. Note that

The \mathcal{Q}_i 's commute since the X_{f_i} 's commute, and so ~~this is an algebra homomorphism.~~

Linear independence of X_{f_i} implies that the action is locally transitive, and hence $\alpha: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T^n$ is onto. This implies $\mathbb{R}^n / G_\xi \cong T^n$ where G_ξ is the isotropy subgroup of t which is a discrete subgroup of \mathbb{R}^n . The action is also symplectic since it acts by ~~flowing along orbits~~ of Hamiltonian vector fields each \mathcal{Q}_i is symplectic and the composition of symplectic maps is symplectic. The action can be extended to a ~~ubd~~ of T^n .

Theorem 4 Theorem 1 on Noncommutative integrability contains Liouville as a special case.

Proof

Let \mathfrak{a}_ξ denote the Lie algebra spanned by the functions f_1, \dots, f_n . Then \mathfrak{a}_ξ is an abelian Lie algebra. Let $\xi \in \mathfrak{a}_\xi^*$ be a covector in general position so that $\dim H_\xi = \dim \{x \in \mathfrak{a}_\xi \mid \xi \circ \text{ad}_x = 0\}$ is minimum. Well since $\xi, \text{ad}_x \equiv 0$ for an abelian \mathfrak{a}_ξ we have $H_\xi = \mathfrak{a}_\xi$

Thus $\text{Rank } \mathfrak{a}_\xi = \dim \mathfrak{a}_\xi = k$ so the condition $\dim G + \text{rank } G = \dim M \Rightarrow$

$k + k = 2n \Rightarrow k = n$. Thus we conclude Liouville's result.

This Remark tells us that we can consider Theorem 1 as the noncommutative version of Liouville. A noncommutative algebra of integrals together w/

$\dim \mathfrak{a}_\xi + \text{Rank } \mathfrak{a}_\xi = \dim M$ gives the same conclusion as Liouville.

We now turn to the proof of Theorem 1

Let us look at our general situation and compare/contrast to Liouville.

We have a k -dim. Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of integrals and its simply connected Lie Group $\hat{G} = \exp(\mathfrak{g})$. Let M_ξ denote the non-degenerate level surface.

How does \hat{G} act on M_ξ ?

$\mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\exp} \hat{G}$
 $g \in \hat{G} \quad g = \exp(f) \quad f \in \mathfrak{g}$. Then $\Phi_g(m) = \varphi_f^t(m)$ where φ_f^t is the flow of the vector field X_f .

Then we have $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \Phi_{\exp(tf)}(m) = \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_f^t(m) = X_f(m)$.

Thus, the infinitesimal generator $f_M(m) = X_f(m)$ from which we can calculate the Momentum map J for the action.

Lower case j is simply the identity $j(f) = f$ and $\langle J(m), f \rangle = j(f)(m) = f(m)$.

Note that unlike the setting of Liouville, it is not true that M_ξ is invariant under the flow of X_f , $f \in \mathfrak{g}$. That is because $\{f_i, f_j\} \neq 0$ in general so that $X_{f_i}[f_j] \neq 0 \Rightarrow f_j$ is not constant along the orbit $\varphi_{f_i}^t(m)$, so the value $f_j(\varphi_{f_i}^t(m))$ changes. Thus $\varphi_{f_i}^t$ takes us off M_ξ .

however, we will consider the subalgebra $\mathfrak{h}_\xi \subset \mathfrak{g}$ and its corresponding Lie Subgroup $\hat{H}_\xi = \exp(\mathfrak{h}_\xi)$. We will show that this Lie Subgroup of \hat{G} gives a well defined free action on M_ξ . That is $\Phi_{\hat{H}_\xi} : M_\xi \rightarrow M_\xi$ and acts freely thus we will be able to consider the quotient M_ξ / \hat{H}_ξ which turns out to be a symplectic manifold.

We now turn to the details: First we translate our situation into the framework of Marsden/Weinstein symplectic reduction.

First, $J : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$ our calculation above showed that $m \xrightarrow{J} \bar{m}$ where $\bar{m}(f) = f(m)$ - evaluation of the functions in the Lie algebra on the point $m \in M$! what could be simpler.

Conversely, take $\varepsilon \in \mathfrak{g}^*$. Consider $J^{-1}(\varepsilon) = \{m \in M \mid J(m) = \varepsilon\}$
 $= \{m \in M \mid \bar{m}(f) = f(m) = \varepsilon(f)\} = M_\varepsilon$.

If ε is a regular value of J then $J^{-1}(\varepsilon)$ is a manifold and the $df_i(m)$ are k linearly independent covectors for each $m \in J^{-1}(\varepsilon)$. Thus we have characterized M_ε in terms of the momentum map.

Proposition 1.1. \mathfrak{h}_ε is a Lie subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} .

Proof $\mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon = \{f \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \varepsilon \circ \text{ad}_f = 0\}$. Suppose $f, g \in \mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon$ then $\forall x \in \mathfrak{g}$ we have
 $\langle \varepsilon, \{f, g\}, x \rangle = \langle \varepsilon, \{f, \varepsilon g, x\} + \{g, \varepsilon f, x\} \rangle$
 $= \langle \varepsilon, \varepsilon f, \varepsilon g, x \rangle + \langle \varepsilon, \varepsilon g, \varepsilon f, x \rangle = \varepsilon \circ \text{ad}_f \circ \text{ad}_g(x) + \varepsilon \circ \text{ad}_g \circ \text{ad}_f(x)$
 $= 0 + 0$.

Proposition 1.2: $f \in \mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon$ then $X_f(m) \in T_m M_\varepsilon$

Proof: We unravel the definitions. $f \in \mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon$ means $\langle \varepsilon, \{f, g\} \rangle = 0 \forall g \in \mathfrak{g}$
 $(\Rightarrow) \{f, g\}(m) = 0 \forall m \in M_\varepsilon \forall g \in \mathfrak{g}$. This means all the functions in the algebra \mathfrak{g} are integrals of X_f . Thus the flow of X_f preserves M_ε
 $\Rightarrow X_f(m) \in T_m M_\varepsilon$.

Thus we have a subalgebra $\mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon \subset \mathfrak{g}$ whose flows preserve M_ε . $\hat{H}_\varepsilon = \exp(\mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon)$ is the corresponding Lie subgroup of \hat{G} that acts on M_ε .

Furthermore since \hat{H} action is induced by X_f $f \in \mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon$, the action is symplectic since the corresponding flow is a symplectic diffeo.

Note: $\omega|_{M_\varepsilon}$, the restriction of ω to M_ε . Then consider $(T_m M_\varepsilon)^\perp = \{v \in T_m M_\varepsilon \mid \omega_m(v, u) = 0 \forall u \in T_m M_\varepsilon\}$. Then $(T_m M_\varepsilon)^\perp = \{X_h(m) \mid h \in \mathfrak{h}_\varepsilon\}$.
 it is clear that $X_h(m)$ is ω perp to $X_f(m)$ for $f \in \mathfrak{g}$. since $\omega_m(X_h(m), X_f(m)) = \langle \varepsilon, \{h, f\} \rangle = 0 \forall f \in \mathfrak{g}$.

Assume that \hat{H} acts locally freely on M_ξ . This means the isotropy subgroup of $m \in M$, is at most a discrete subgroup $\Gamma \subset \hat{H}$.

Then we have,

Proposition 1.3: The quotient M_ξ/\hat{H} is a manifold w/ nondegenerate symplectic form Ω . Let $p: M_\xi \rightarrow M_\xi/\hat{H}$ be the quotient map (projection). Then $p^*\Omega = \omega|_{M_\xi}$.

Proof: $M_\xi = J^{-1}(\xi)$ for ξ regular value. \hat{H} acts locally freely on M_ξ .

We can therefore Apply Theorem 1 from Marsden/Weinstein Symplectic reduction to conclude M_ξ/\hat{H} symplectic, $p^*\Omega = \omega|_{M_\xi}$.

Proposition 1.4: Let $f \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi$. Then the tangent vector field X_f restricted to M_ξ is left-invariant with respect to \hat{H} action on M_ξ .

Proof We already know $X_f(m) \in T_m M_\xi$. f is invariant under the flow induced from any $f' \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi$ since $\{f, f'\}(m) = X_{f'}[f](m) = 0$. (in fact for all $f' \in \mathfrak{g}$). But \hat{H} acts on M_ξ via flow of some f' s.t. $\exp(t f') = g \in \hat{H}$.

$\therefore \forall g \in \hat{H} \quad \Phi_g^* f(m) = f \circ \Phi_g(m) = f(m)$. Thus $\Phi_g^* X_f = X_f$. X_f left inv. \square

The above ideas inspire the following:

Suppose F is a fun. on M that is in involution with all of \mathfrak{g} . That is $\{F, f\} = 0 \quad \forall f \in \mathfrak{g}$. Suppose also that \hat{G} has only one type of stationary subgroup when it acts on a nbhd of M_ξ . Then we can consider

M/\hat{G} and the projection $p: M \rightarrow M/\hat{G}$. Since F commutes w/ all $f \in \mathfrak{g}$ it is clear that F is invariant under $\Phi_g \quad \forall g \in \hat{G}$. Thus

F drops to the quotient as $\tilde{F}: M/\hat{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Consider $X_{\tilde{F}}$ The vector field on M/\hat{G} induced by F . Note that any h , function on M/\hat{G} lifts to $h \circ p$ on M automatically \hat{G} invariant so $\{h \circ p, f\} = 0 \quad \forall f \in \mathfrak{g}$. Suppose h is also an integral for $X_{\tilde{F}}$ on M/\hat{G} . Then $h \circ p$ will be a NEW integral of F on M .

Thus, This is a method for constructing new integrals under these conditions.

We need to prove that J is an equivariant momentum map.

J is equivariant provided the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\Phi_g} & M \\ J \downarrow & & \downarrow J \\ \mathfrak{g}^* & \xrightarrow{\text{Ad}_g^*} & \mathfrak{g}^* \end{array} \quad \text{commutes.}$$

or $J(g \cdot m) = \text{Ad}_g^*(J(m))$. infinitesimal equivariance says

$$dJ(f_m(m)) = \text{ad}_f^* J(m) \quad f \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

Claim: J is infinit. equivariant.

Since $f_m(m) = X_f(m)$ [$f_m(m)$ is infinit. generator of $f \in \mathfrak{g}$ at $m \in M$], we must show

$X_f \xrightarrow{dJ} \text{ad}_f^*(\xi) \quad \xi \in \mathfrak{g}^*$. To do this, let h be a fu. on \mathfrak{g}^* . we must show

$$\text{ad}_f^*(h) \circ J = X_f[h \circ J]$$

First, we have $\text{ad}_f^*(h)(\xi) = \langle \text{ad}_f^*(\xi), dh(\xi) \rangle = \langle \xi, \text{ad}_f(dh(\xi)) \rangle = \langle \xi, \{f, dh(\xi)\} \rangle$

where $dh(\xi) \in (\mathfrak{g}^*)^* \cong \mathfrak{g}$. Thus $\text{ad}_f^*(h) \circ J(m) = \langle J(m), \text{ad}_f(dh(J(m))) \rangle$

$$= \langle J(m), \{f, dh(J(m))\} \rangle = \{f, dh(J(m))\}(m).$$

Consider $LHS: X_f[h \circ J]$. First, since $J(m)(f) = f(m)$ it follows that $(dJ(X)(f))(m) = X(f)(m) = Df \cdot X(m)$. Therefore:

$$X_f(h \circ J)(m) = \langle X_f(m), dh(J)(m) dJ(m) \rangle = \langle dJ(m)(X_f(m)), dh(J(m)) \rangle$$

$$= X_f(m)[dh(J(m))] = \{f, dh(J(m))\}(m) \text{ by def. of the bracket.}$$

We Assume $\dim \mathfrak{g} + \text{Rank } \mathfrak{g} = 2n$. Thus $\dim \mathfrak{h}_\xi = 2n - k = \dim M_\xi$.

Thus $\{X_f(m) \mid f \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi\}$ is a basis for $T_m M_\xi$. Since $\dim \mathfrak{h}_\xi = \dim M_\xi$

Then we expect, or at least hope that a neighborhood U of M_ξ

can be chosen so that $U = M_\xi \times \mathbb{R}$ where $\dim \mathbb{R} = \dim \mathfrak{g} = k$.

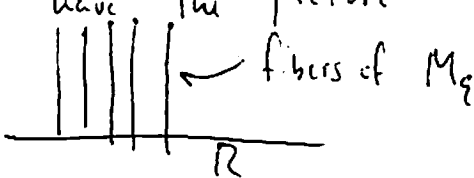
we use Ad^* equivariance of J to do this:

let w be a set of regular values of J containing $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}^*$. J equivariant \Rightarrow

w is invariant under Ad^* action of \hat{G} . Thus we get a locally

trivial fibering $U = J^{-1}(w)$ so that $U \cong M_\xi \times \mathbb{R}$.



We have The picture


This in a neighborhood of M_ξ , the momentum map decomposes into a projection $\pi: M_\xi \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and an embedding $\psi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}^*$.

Note the similarity to Liouville's Theorem - we have a local decomposition of M into H invariant small dimensional $(2n-k)$ spaces.

In fact it is possible to show that U can be further decomposed as $X_0 \times Y_0 \times M_\xi$ where X_0 is the orbit space of the \hat{G} action on M .

with this decomposition, we have

Proposition 15 The symplectic form ω on M restricted to Y_0 coincides with the Coadjoint orbit $O(\xi)$ symplectic form.

Proof: $O(\xi) = \{ \text{Ad}_g^*(\xi) \mid g \in \hat{G} \} \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$. Let $U_\xi = J^{-1}(O(\xi))$.
 Let $X_1 = \text{ad}_{f_1}^* \xi$, $X_2 = \text{ad}_{f_2}^* \xi$, $f_1, f_2 \in \mathfrak{g}$ so $X_1, X_2 \in \overline{T}_\xi(O(\xi))$.
 Then $\exists! Y_1, Y_2 \in T_m U_\xi$ s.t. $dJ(Y_1) = X_1$, $dJ(Y_2) = X_2$. However, by the infinitesimal equivariance of J , we know $X_f \xrightarrow{dJ} \text{ad}_f^* \xi$. Therefore,
 $Y_1 = X_{f_1}$, $Y_2 = X_{f_2} \Rightarrow \omega_m(Y_1, Y_2) = \omega_m(X_{f_1}, X_{f_2}) = \langle \xi, \{f_1, f_2\} \rangle$
 $= \langle \xi, \{f_1, f_2\} \rangle = \omega_\xi^{\text{coad}}(X_1, X_2)$.

We need one key result to complete the proof of Theorem 1.

Lemma 1: Suppose $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}^*$ is in general position meaning that \mathfrak{h}_ξ has min. dimension. Then the Lie Subalgebra \mathfrak{h}_ξ has trivial bracket. Thus the Lie Subgroup \hat{H}_ξ is abelian.

Proof: The proof is not easy and is found in an article by Duflot and Vergne (1969).

Theorem 1: if M_ξ is compact and connected then $M_\xi \cong T^{2n-k}$ the $2n-k$ Torus.

Proof: Since $\text{Rank } \mathfrak{g} + \dim \mathfrak{g} = 2m$ we know $T_m M_\xi = \{ X_m \mid \mathfrak{h} \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi \}$.
 Furthermore, by Lemma 1 H is abelian and acts freely on M_ξ . $\dim M_\xi = \dim \mathfrak{h}$.
 Let Γ be the isotropy subgroup of $m \in M_\xi$. Then Γ is discrete.
 Thus $M_\xi \cong H/\Gamma$ if M_ξ is compact this must be T^{2n-k} .

the splitting of U , the neighborhood containing T^{2n-k} into $R \times T^{2n-k}$ $\dim R = k$, allows us to write down the differential equation $\dot{x} = X_f(x)$ $f \in \mathfrak{h}_\xi$ as follows.

Let $v = 2n - k$. Let q_1, \dots, q_r be coordinates on T^v let $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_k$ be coordinates on R . Then $X_f(x)$ takes the form, in these coords,

$$\dot{q}_i = g_i(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k).$$

Again, this is in agreement w/ Liouville's Theorem.

To conclude, I want to describe a version of Theorem 1 with the added assumption that (M^{2n}, ω) is compact.

Theorem 2 Let (M^{2n}, ω) be closed, compact symplectic. Let \mathfrak{a}_f be a non-commutative algebra of functions satisfying the hypotheses of Thm. 1. That is $\dim \mathfrak{a}_f + \text{Rank} \mathfrak{a}_f = 2n$. Then we can find a complete commutative set of functions \mathfrak{a}_c s.t. $2 \dim \mathfrak{a}_c = 2n$.

Thus in these circumstances we have reduced the noncommutative case to the Liouville case.

Proof: The idea of the proof is to show that the algebra \mathfrak{a}_f behaves like a compact Lie Algebra. That is to show there is an invariant inner product $(,)$ on \mathfrak{a}_f . This means $\forall X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{a}_f$ $([X, Y], Z) = (Y, [Z, X])$. From this it follows that $\mathfrak{a}_f = \mathfrak{C} \oplus \mathfrak{a}_{f_1} \oplus \mathfrak{a}_{f_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathfrak{a}_{f_r}$ where \mathfrak{C} = center of \mathfrak{a}_f and \mathfrak{a}_{f_i} are distinct simple ideals. From here Theorem 2 is a consequence of [*] where it is proved that noncommutative \rightarrow commutative if \mathfrak{a}_f can be split as above.

We define the inner product as follows: $f, g \in C_c^\infty(M)$ smooth fns. w/ compact support

$$\text{define } (f, g) = \int_M f g \omega^n \quad \omega^n \text{ is the volume form on } M^{2n}.$$

This inner product is invariant on the Lie Algebra $(C_c^\infty(M), \xi, \mathfrak{L})$

[*] M. S. Rabinowitz & Fomenko, On the integrability of the Euler eqns. on semisimple Lie Algebras Soviet Math Doklady, 1976

We show if $f, g \in C_0^\infty(M)$, then $\int_M \{f, g\} \omega^n = 0$

Then (.) invariant will follow from $\{f, gh\} = g\{f, h\} + h\{f, g\}$
 The derivation property of bracket.

To prove $\int_M \{f, g\} \omega^n = 0$ we show $\{f, g\} \omega^n = -d(nfdg \wedge \omega^{n-1})$ and then use Stokes.

Choose symplectic coords $q_1, \dots, q_n, p_1, \dots, p_n$ $\omega = \sum dq_i \wedge dp_i$. Then in these coords,
 $\{f, g\} \omega^n = \left(- \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p_i} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q_i} \right) n! dq_1 \wedge dp_1 \wedge dq_2 \wedge dp_2 \wedge \dots \wedge dq_n \wedge dp_n$

On the other hand $d(nfdg \wedge \omega^{n-1}) = n df \wedge dg \wedge \omega^{n-1}$ since $d\omega = 0$
 $= \sum_{i,j} n \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q_j} dq_i \wedge dq_j \wedge (n-1)! \sum_{j=1}^n \wedge_{i \neq j} dq_i \wedge dp_j$

Summing over all pairs of q_i, q_j, p_i, p_j . The only nonzero terms will be from pairs q_i, p_i and p_i, q_i .

So we get $n! \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p_i} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q_i} \right) dq_1 \wedge dp_1 \wedge dq_2 \wedge dp_2 \wedge \dots \wedge dq_n \wedge dp_n$
 $= \{f, g\} \omega^n$.

Since f and g vanish on ∂M by virtue of compact support

We get $\int_M \{f, g\} \omega^n = 0$.

\mathfrak{g} is a Lie Algebra with invariant inner product.

Note: The main class of examples of this theory comes from considering the integrals of a left invariant Hamiltonian on T^*G where G is a semisimple Lie Group. I regret that I have no time to get into these examples. Perhaps in the student seminar over the summer?

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