

Constraints and Symmetries in Mechanics of Affine Motion

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• Affine motion and affine bodies

We describe the configuration of an affine body by

$$x^i(r, \varphi; t) = r^i(t) + \varphi^i_K(t)a^K,$$

where x^i are spatial variables, r^i are coordinates of the centre of mass, φ^i_K are internal (relative) parameters, and a^K are material variables.

To describe equations of motion we use the following definitions:

- the total mass of the body and the co-moving (constant) tensor of inertia in the material space

$$M = \int d\mu, \quad J^{KL} = \int a^K a^L d\mu(a)$$

- when the centre of mass is placed at $a^K = 0$, then

$$J^K = \int a^K d\mu(a) = 0$$

- the total force and the spatial components of the co-moving dipole of forces distribution

$$F^i = \int \mathcal{F}^i(a) d\mu(a), \quad N^{ij} = \int \varphi^i_K \varphi^j_L a^K a^L d\mu(a) = \varphi^i_K \varphi^j_L \int a^K a^L d\mu(a).$$



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• Affine motion and affine bodies (cont.)

The equations of motion can be written in the following form:

$$M \frac{d^2 r^i}{dt^2} = F^i, \quad \varphi^i_K \frac{d^2 \varphi^j_L}{dt^2} J^{KL} = N^{ij}.$$

Alternative balance forms of the above equations of motion:

$$\frac{dp^i}{dt} = F^i, \quad \frac{dK^{ij}}{dt} = \frac{d\varphi^i_K}{dt} \frac{d\varphi^j_L}{dt} J^{KL} + N^{ij},$$

where p^i is a linear momentum and K is an affine spin:

$$p^i = M \frac{dr^i}{dt}, \quad K^{ij} = \varphi^i_K \frac{d\varphi^j_L}{dt} J^{KL}.$$

The angular momentum (spin) $S^{ij} = K^{ij} - K^{ji}$ is conserved, if N^{ij} is symmetric:

$$\frac{dS^{ij}}{dt} = N^{ij} - N^{ji}.$$

In other words:

$$\frac{dp^i}{dt} = F^i, \quad \frac{dK^{ij}}{dt} = \Omega^i_m K^{mj} + N^{ij},$$

where the affine velocity, called also Eringen's "gyration", is

$$\Omega^i_j = \frac{d\varphi^i_A}{dt} \varphi^{-1A}_j, \quad \widehat{\Omega}^A_B = \varphi^{-1A}_i \Omega^i_j \varphi^j_B.$$



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• Affine motion and affine bodies (cont.)

If Lagrangian is given by

$$L = T - V(r^i, \varphi^i_K),$$

where the kinetic energy is

$$T = T_{\text{tr}} + T_{\text{int}} = \frac{M}{2} g_{ij} \frac{dr^i}{dt} \frac{dr^j}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \frac{d\varphi^i_K}{dt} \frac{d\varphi^j_L}{dt} J^{KL},$$

then the forces and the momentum of forces are

$$F^i = -g^{ij} \frac{\partial V}{\partial r^j}, \quad N^{ij} = -\varphi^i_A \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi^k_A} g^{kj}.$$

There is also another formula:

$$\frac{dK^{ij}}{dt} = N^{ij} + 2 \frac{\partial T_{\text{int}}}{\partial g_{ij}}.$$

When there exist dissipative forces non-derivable from Lagrangian, then there appear some additional terms. In the simplest case, we choose them just linear or quadratic in generalized velocities.



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• Gyroscopic constraints

There are some additional geometric, namely group-implied, forces imposed on the system. For example, gyroscopic constraints (pseudo-holonomic constraints of rigid motion) imply that Ω_j^i , $\widehat{\Omega}_B^A$ are respectively g - and η -skew-symmetric angular velocities in spatial and co-moving representations,

$$\Omega_j^i = -\Omega_j^i = -g_{jk}\Omega^k_l g^{li}, \quad \widehat{\Omega}_B^A = -\widehat{\Omega}_B^A = -\eta_{BC}\widehat{\Omega}^C_D \eta^{DA},$$

where g is the metric tensor of the physical space and η is the material metric.

It is easy to see that the above conditions are holonomic and may be written down as the conditions of isometry,

$$g_{ij}\varphi^i_A \varphi^j_B = \eta_{AB}.$$

Then the reaction moments N_R are symmetric,

$$N_{Rij} = N_{Rji}$$

and our equations are independent of explicitly non-specified reactions. Of course, gyroscopic reactions do not vanish, but their full tensor contractions with skew-symmetric affine virtual velocities (angular velocities) are vanishing in virtue of constraints.

So, if we are taking the skew-symmetric part of original equations, we can eliminate reaction moments and then obtain the effective equations of motion.


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- **Isochoric constraints (incompressible body)**

In the case of incompressible body (isochoric constraints) the traces of affine velocities vanish:

$$\text{Tr } \Omega = \Omega^i_i = 0.$$

The total contractions of such virtual Ω -s with the reaction affine moment N_R must vanish:

$$N_R^{ij} \Omega_{ji} = N_R^{ij} \Omega^k_i g_{jk} = 0.$$

It is easy to see that then reactions are pure traces,

$$N_R^i_j = \lambda \delta^i_j, \quad N_R^{ij} = \lambda g^{ij},$$

where

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \text{Tr } N_R = \frac{1}{n} g_{ij} N_R^{ij}.$$

So, to eliminate the Lagrange multiplier λ , we must take the constraints condition (i.e., $\det \varphi = \text{const}$) jointly with the g -traceless part of the initial equation itself:

$$\varphi^i_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^j_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} - \frac{1}{n} g_{ab} \varphi^a_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^b_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} g^{ij} = N^{ij} - \frac{1}{n} g_{ab} N^{ab} g^{ij}.$$



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- **Constraints implied by linear conformal group (rotations and dilatations)**

In such a case an affine velocity (gyration) has the form:

$$\Omega^i_j = \omega^i_j + \alpha \delta^i_j$$

where ω^i_j is the g -skew-symmetric angular velocity, and α is an arbitrary real, dilatational parameter, so that

$$g_{ij} \varphi^i_A \varphi^j_B = \lambda \eta_{AB}, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

The reaction-free equations of motion consist of the skew-symmetric part of the original equation and of the g -trace of that equation, and reaction moments N_R^{ij} are symmetric and g -traceless:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^i_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^j_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} - \varphi^j_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^i_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} &= N^{ij} - N^{ji} \\ g_{ij} \varphi^i_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^j_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} &= g_{ij} N^{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

- **Constraints of purely rotation-free affine motion**

It is a very interesting example of nonholonomic constraints, when Ω is g -symmetric (the only geometrically correct definition):

$$\Omega^i_j - \Omega_j^i = \Omega^i_j - g_{jk} g^{il} \Omega^k_l = 0.$$

Then the reactions forces are anti-symmetric. So, the above equation must be joined with the symmetric part of equations of motion as balance laws:

$$\varphi^i_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^j_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} + \varphi^j_A \frac{d^2 \varphi^i_B}{dt^2} J^{AB} = N^{ij} + N^{ji}.$$



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• Elimination of reaction forces: d'Alembert prescription

Let Lagrangian of the dynamical system be $L(q, \dot{q})$, i.e., it is a function of generalized coordinates q^1, \dots, q^n and their velocities, but we can also take the time into a consideration explicitly, i.e., $L(t, q, \dot{q})$. Then the constraints are given by the following expressions:

$$F_a(q, \dot{q}) = 0 \quad (F_a(t, q, \dot{q}) = 0), \quad a = 1, \dots, m.$$

In applications mostly often we have the constraints linear in velocities:

$$F_a(q, \dot{q}) = \omega_{ai}(q) \dot{q}^i.$$

Then the d'Alembert principle give us the following equations of motion:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} = R_i,$$

where R_i are reaction forces, which vanish on velocities compatible with constraints:

$$\omega_{ai}(q) \dot{q}^i = 0, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad R_i \dot{q}^i = 0.$$

This implies that

$$R_i = \lambda^a \omega_{ai}.$$



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- **d'Alembert prescription (cont.)**

By analogy the similar expressions can be written also for systems with dissipative forces. The non-constrained dynamics is given by the following equations of motion:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} = D_i,$$

where D_i are covariant vectors of non-variational, e.g., friction forces.

The corresponding constrained systems is given by the expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} &= D_i + R_i \\ F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) &= \omega_{ai}(q) \dot{q}^i = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where R_i are the reaction forces.



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• Elimination of reaction forces: Vakonomic prescription

The variational principle constrained by $F_a = 0$ is given by the following expressions:

$$\delta \int L(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) dt = 0, \quad F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) = 0,$$

where the variations $\delta q^i(t)$ are subject to constraints.

The Lusternik theorem give us that the above variational principle is equivalent to the corresponding non-restricted principle:

$$\delta \int L[\mu](q(t), \dot{q}(t)) dt = 0$$

where μ is the Lagrange multiplier and $L[\mu]$ is given by

$$L[\mu](q(t), \dot{q}(t)) = L(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) - \mu^a F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)).$$

Mathematically here μ^a are some a priori unknown functions of time.



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• Linear vakonomic constraints

The variational principle for $L[\mu]$ implies that for constraints that are linear in velocities,

$$F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) = \omega_{ai}(q(t))\dot{q}^i(t)$$

we can write the following equations of motion:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} &= \frac{d\mu^a}{dt} \omega_{ai} - \mu^a \left(\frac{\partial \omega_{aj}}{\partial q^i} - \frac{\partial \omega_{ai}}{\partial q^j} \right) \dot{q}^j \\ F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) &= \omega_{ai}(q(t))\dot{q}^i(t) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This is the system of $(n + m)$ differential equations for the $(n + m)$ variables $q^i(t)$ and $\mu^a(t)$ as functions of time.

Correspondingly the constraints reactions are given as follows:

$$R_i = \frac{d\mu^a}{dt} \omega_{ai} + \mu^a \left(\frac{\partial \omega_{ai}}{\partial q^j} - \frac{\partial \omega_{aj}}{\partial q^i} \right) \frac{dq^j}{dt}.$$



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• Elimination of reaction forces: Linear constraints (summary)

So, there are two prescriptions for calculating R_i , namely:

1. d'Alembert prescription:

$$R_i = \lambda^a \omega_{ai}, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad R_i \dot{q}^i = 0$$

for every virtual velocity satisfying the constraints,

2. Vaconomic prescription:

$$R_i = \frac{d\mu^a}{dt} \omega_{ai} + \mu^a \left(\frac{\partial \omega_{ai}}{\partial q^j} - \frac{\partial \omega_{aj}}{\partial q^i} \right) \frac{dq^j}{dt}.$$

• Holonomic constraints

For the holonomic constraints

$$F_a(q) = 0, \quad a = 1, \dots, m$$

in the reaction forces survives only the first term and then they are given by the usual d'Alembert expression

$$R_i = \lambda^a \omega_{ai} \quad \text{with the multiplier} \quad \lambda^a = \frac{d\mu^a}{dt}.$$



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• Nonholonomic constraints of rotation-free affine motion

Let us remind that the affine velocity and its co-moving counterpart are given by the expressions:

$$\Omega^i_j = \frac{d\varphi^i_A}{dt} \varphi^{-1A}_j, \quad \widehat{\Omega}^A_B = \varphi^{-1A}_i \frac{d\varphi^i_B}{dt} = \varphi^{-1A}_i \Omega^i_j \varphi^j_B.$$

For the gyroscopic (metrically rigid) motion we have that

$$\Omega^i_j + \Omega_j^i = \Omega^i_j + g_{ja} \Omega^a_b g^{bi} = 0$$

i.e., they are g -antisymmetric. This is nonholonomic description of holonomic constraints. Skew-symmetric matrices form a Lie algebra and those equations are integrated to the orthogonal group.

By analogy, the rotation-free motion is primarily described by

$$\Omega^i_j - \Omega_j^i = \Omega^i_j - g_{jk} g^{il} \Omega^k_l = 0$$

i.e., by the g -symmetry. But symmetric matrices do not form a Lie algebra. Moreover, those are truly nonholonomic constraints and they are not integrated to any submanifold.



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• Polar decomposition

The polar decomposition of φ can be written as follows:

$$\varphi = UA,$$

where U is an orthogonal (isometric) matrix and A is an η -symmetric one:

$$U \in O(U, \eta; V, g), \quad A \in \text{Symm}(U, \eta), \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \eta_{AB} = g_{ij} \varphi^i_A \varphi^j_B, \quad \eta_{AC} A^C_B = \eta_{BC} A^C_A.$$

The co-moving angular velocity $\hat{\omega}$ of the U -rotator is given by

$$\hat{\omega} = U^{-1} \frac{dU}{dt}.$$

The kinetic energy can be written as the sum of the translational and internal (relative) terms:

$$T = T_{\text{tr}} + T_{\text{int}} = \frac{M}{2} g_{ij} \frac{dr^i}{dt} \frac{dr^j}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \frac{d\varphi^i_A}{dt} \frac{d\varphi^j_B}{dt} J^{AB}.$$

In the polar decomposition the internal kinetic energy T_{int} becomes as follows:

$$T_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \eta_{KL} \frac{dA^K_A}{dt} \frac{dA^L_B}{dt} J^{AB} + \eta_{KL} \hat{\omega}^K_C A^C_A \frac{dA^L_B}{dt} J^{AB} + \frac{1}{2} \eta_{KL} \hat{\omega}^K_C \hat{\omega}^L_D A^C_A A^D_B J^{AB}.$$


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• Polar decomposition (cont.)

Obviously, $\widehat{\omega}$ is η -skew-symmetric:

$$\eta_{AC}\widehat{\omega}^C{}_B = -\eta_{BC}\widehat{\omega}^C{}_A.$$

The g -symmetry constraints on Ω imply that

$$\widehat{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \left[A^{-1}, \frac{dA}{dt} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left(A^{-1} \frac{dA}{dt} - \frac{dA}{dt} A^{-1} \right).$$

Substituting this to the expression for the internal kinetic energy T_{int} , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}} &= \frac{1}{2} \eta_{KL} \frac{dA^K{}_A}{dt} \frac{dA^L{}_B}{dt} J^{AB} + \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} A^{-1K}{}_D \frac{dA^D{}_C}{dt} A^C{}_A \frac{dA^L{}_B}{dt} J^{AB} \\ &+ \frac{1}{8} \eta_{KL} A^{-1K}{}_E \frac{dA^E{}_C}{dt} A^C{}_A A^{-1L}{}_F \frac{dA^F{}_D}{dt} A^D{}_B J^{AB}. \end{aligned}$$

The simplest vakonomic Lagrangian is obtained by putting:

$$L_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}} = T_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}} + V(G),$$

where the potential V depends on the Green deformation tensor G :

$$G_{AB} = g_{ij} \varphi^i{}_A \varphi^j{}_B = \eta_{CD} A^C{}_A A^D{}_B.$$


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• Vakonomic lagrangian and resulting equations of motion

The variational derivative of $T_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}}$ with respect to the symmetric tensor $A_{AB} = \eta_{AC}A^C_B = A_{BA}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\delta T_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}}}{\delta A_{AB}} \right|_{\text{symm}} &= -\frac{1}{4} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} A^{(A} L J^{B) L} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{d}{dt} \left((A^{-1})^{(A} J^{B) L} \frac{dA^E_C}{dt} A^C_L \right) \\ &- \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dA^K_E}{dt} (A^{-1})^{L(A} A^{B) D} \right) J^{ED} \\ &- \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} \frac{d}{dt} \left((A^{-1})^K_E \frac{dA^E_C}{dt} A^C_F (A^{-1})^{L(A} A^{B) D} \right) J^{FD} \\ &- \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} \frac{dA^K_E}{dt} \frac{dA^F_D}{dt} A^D_G (A^{-1})^{L(A} (A^{-1})^{B) F} J^{EG} \\ &- \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} (A^{-1})^K_E \frac{dA^E_C}{dt} A^C_M \frac{dA^F_D}{dt} A^D_N (A^{-1})^{L(A} (A^{-1})^{B) F} J^{MN} \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} \frac{dA^K_D}{dt} (A^{-1})^L_E \frac{dA^{E(A}}{dt} J^{B) D} \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \eta_{KL} (A^{-1})^K_E \frac{dA^E_C}{dt} A^C_D (A^{-1})^L_F \frac{dA^{F(A}}{dt} J^{B) D}. \end{aligned}$$

When there are hyperelastic forces derivable from the potential V depending only on the Green deformation tensor G , then equations of motion have the following form:

$$\left. \frac{\delta T_{\text{int}}^{\text{Vak}}}{\delta A_{AB}} \right|_{\text{symm}} = -A_{KC} \eta^{K(A} \widehat{N}^{B) C}.$$


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• Usual (non-vakonomic) constraints and equations of motion

One can show that for the usual (non-vakonomic) constraints of the rotation-free motion the evolution of the system is given by the symmetric part of the following tensor equation:

$$AJ_\eta \frac{d^2 A}{dt^2} - \frac{1}{2} AJ_\eta A \frac{d}{dt} \left[A^{-1}, \frac{dA}{dt} \right] - AJ_\eta \frac{d}{dt} \left[A^{-1}, \frac{dA}{dt} \right] + \frac{1}{4} AJ_\eta A \frac{d}{dt} \left[A^{-1}, \frac{dA}{dt} \right]^2 = \overline{N},$$

where

$$J_\eta^{KL} = J^{KM} \eta_{ML}, \quad \overline{N}^{KL} = A^K{}_M A^L{}_N \widehat{N}^{MN},$$

$$\widehat{N}^{AB} = \varphi^{-1A}{}_i \varphi^{-1B}{}_j N^{ij}, \quad N^{ij} = -g^{jk} \varphi^i{}_M \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi^k{}_M}.$$

In the explicit form the equations of motion are written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} J^{AB} \frac{d^2 A^{B(C} A^{D)A}}{dt^2} &- J^A{}_B A^B{}_E \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} \left((A^{-1})^E{}_F \frac{d}{dt} (A^{F(C} A^{D)A}) - \frac{d}{dt} (A^E{}_F) (A^{-1})^{F(C} A^{D)A} \right) \\ &- J^A{}_B \frac{d A^B{}_E}{dt} \left((A^{-1})^E{}_F \frac{d}{dt} (A^{F(C} A^{D)A}) - \frac{d}{dt} (A^E{}_F) (A^{-1})^{F(C} A^{D)A} \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} J^A{}_B A^B{}_E \left((A^{-1})^E{}_G \frac{d}{dt} (A^G{}_F) - \frac{d}{dt} (A^E{}_G) (A^{-1})^G{}_F \right) \\ &\cdot \left((A^{-1})^F{}_H \frac{d}{dt} (A^{H(C} A^{D)A}) - \frac{d}{dt} (A^F{}_H) (A^{-1})^{H(C} A^{D)A} \right) = \overline{N}^{(CD)}. \end{aligned}$$

The structures of vakonomic and d'Alembert equations are evidently different.



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- **Solving the above equations of motion:**

- solving the symmetric or vakonomic part of our equations of motion, we find $A(t)$.
- then we substitute it to $\widehat{\omega}$ and solving equation

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = U\widehat{\omega}$$

we find $U(t)$.

- finally, substituting it to

$$\varphi(t) = U(t)A(t)$$

we solve the problem, at least in principle.



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• Nonlinear vakonomic constraints

In the case when there is no dissipation, calculating Euler-Lagrange equations for the modified Lagrangian $L[\mu] = L + \mu^a F_a$ we obtain the system for the $(n + m)$ variables $q^i(t)$, $\mu^a(t)$:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} = \mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial q^i} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \right), \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

where $\mu^a(t)$, $a = 1, \dots, m$, are Lagrange multipliers and $F_a(q, \dot{q}) = 0$.

The reactions forces:

$$R_i = \mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial q^i} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \right) = \mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial q^i} - \frac{d\mu^a}{dt} \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \mu^a \frac{\partial^2 F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i \partial q^j} \frac{dq^j}{dt} - \mu^a \frac{\partial^2 F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i \partial \dot{q}^j} \frac{d^2 q^j}{dt^2}.$$

In general, such reactions need not be adiabatic. The equations of constrained motion have the form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q^i} = D_i + R_i, \quad F_a(q(t), \dot{q}(t)) = 0.$$

Nonlinearity of nonholonomic constraints with respect to velocities has a qualitative effect on the dynamical structure of reactions R_i (contains the term with second derivatives). Such acceleration-dependent forces modify the inertial properties of the object. Besides, nonlinearity of M may influence the energy balance because, in general, the above reactions R_i need not annihilate the velocity vectors. After calculating the power of the reactions along curves in Q compatible with constraints M we obtain

$$R_i \frac{dq^i}{dt} = \mu^a \frac{dF_a}{dt} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\mu^a \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \right).$$



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- **Nonlinear vakonomic constraints (cont.)**

The first term vanishes in virtue of constraints equations, so finally

$$R_i \dot{q}^i = -\frac{d}{dt} \left(\mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \dot{q}^i \right).$$

Then the energy balance has the form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(E + \mu^a \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \right) = D_i \dot{q}^i$$

The balanced quantity

$$E[L, M] := E + \mu^a \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i}$$

can be interpreted as the effective energy of the system constrained by the manifold M .

When M is fixed, $E[L, M]$ does not depend on the particular choice of functions F_a , used as left-hand sides of equations of M .



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- **Nonlinear vakonomic constraints (cont.)**

The quantity $E[L, M]$ contains two parts:

- the natural energy

$$E[L] := \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - L$$

of the unconstrained system and

- the energy of constraints

$$E[M] := \mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \dot{q}^i.$$

In the case with no dissipative forces, the total energy $E[L, M]$ is a constant of motion. The existence of this constant of motion is just the peculiarity and distinguishing feature of the Hamilton-Lusternik algorithm.

$E[L, M]$ can be directly obtained from the modified Lusternik Lagrangian $L[\mu]$:

$$E[L[\mu]] := \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial L[\mu]}{\partial \dot{q}^i} - L[\mu] = E[L] + \mu^a \frac{\partial F_a}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \dot{q}^i - \mu^a F_a,$$

where the last term vanishes on constraints M .

The mechanical work done by Hamilton-Lusternik reactions has a variational structure; it can be interpreted as the exchange of energy between the system in question and the constraining object.



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