Mechanical control systems on Lie algebroids

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**Why control systems on Lie algebroids?**

**Controllability problem:** find conditions that guarantee system can move locally in any direction.

Deciding local controllability must be addressed prior to other important control questions (e.g., motion planning, trajectory generation, etc.)
**Why control systems on Lie algebroids?**

_Lack of unifying framework_ imposes separate study for various classes of systems such as

(i) simple mechanical systems (Lewis & Murray 95)

(ii) systems subject to nonholonomic constraints (Bloch et al 92, Bullo & Zefran 01, Lewis 97),

(iii) systems invariant under the action of a Lie group of symmetries (Cortés et al 02, Kelly & Murray 05, Martin & Crouch 84, Martínez & Cortés 03)

(iv) systems enjoying special homogeneity properties (Cortés et al 01, Kawski 95, Vela & Burdick 03).

(v) systems evolving on semidirect products (Shen 02)

Most works build on the rich geometric structure of these systems. Is it possible to combine both _geometric wealth_ and _generality_?
Lie algebroid formalism provides an answer!

Lie algebroid notion provides framework to overcome drawback

- Underlying structure of Lie algebroid on the phase space makes possible unified treatment

- Lie algebroid formalism allows us to establish morphisms between two systems, and relate their control properties

Underlying idea: property of interest easier to decide for one system, and morphism allows us to infer property for the other one
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Lie algebroids

Lie algebroid $\tau: E \rightarrow M$ with anchor $\rho: E \rightarrow TM$ ($\sim$ substitute of $TM$)

Some useful definitions:

- $\overline{\text{Lie}}(\mathcal{Y})$ is distribution obtained by closing $\mathcal{Y} \subset \text{Sec}(E)$ under Lie bracket
- $a: [t_0, t_1] \rightarrow E$ **admissible** if $\frac{d}{dt}\tau(a(t)) = \rho(a(t))$
- $E$ **locally transitive at** $m \in M$ if $\rho_m: E_m \rightarrow T_mM$ is surjective ($m$ is contained in a leaf of maximal dimension)
- $\Psi: E \rightarrow \overline{E}$ is **morphism of Lie algebroids** if it is admissible ($T\psi \circ \rho = \overline{\rho} \circ \Psi$) and preserves Lie algebra structure of algebroids
Linear connections

Linear $E$-connection on a vector bundle $\pi: P \to M$ (Fernandes 02, Cantrijn & Langerock 02) is $\mathbb{R}$-bilinear map $\nabla: \text{Sec}(E) \times \text{Sec}(P) \to \text{Sec}(P)$

$\nabla_{F\sigma}\alpha = F \nabla_\sigma\alpha$ \quad and \quad $\nabla_\sigma(F\alpha) = (\rho(\sigma)F)\alpha + F\nabla_\sigma\alpha$

for any $F \in C^\infty(M)$, $\sigma \in \text{Sec}(E)$ and $\alpha \in \text{Sec}(P)$. We take $P = E$

Skew-symmetric part defines torsion tensor $T(\sigma, \eta) = \nabla_\sigma\eta - \nabla_\eta\sigma - [\sigma, \eta]$

Symmetric part determines symmetric product $\langle \sigma : \eta \rangle = \nabla_\sigma\eta + \nabla_\eta\sigma$

$\overline{\text{Sym}}(\mathcal{Y})$ is distribution obtained by closing $\mathcal{Y} \subset \text{Sec}(E)$ under $\langle \cdot : \cdot \cdot \rangle$

Covariant derivatives and geodesics of $\nabla$ (admissible curves $a : \mathbb{R} \to E$ with $\nabla_a(t)a(t) = 0$)
Levi-Civita and constrained connections

**Levi-Civita connection:** For metric $\mathcal{G} : E \times_M E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, unique torsion-less connection $\nabla^\mathcal{G}$ on $E$ metric with respect to $\mathcal{G}$,

$$2\mathcal{G}(\nabla_\sigma \eta, \zeta) = \rho(\sigma)\mathcal{G}(\eta, \zeta) + \rho(\eta)\mathcal{G}(\sigma, \zeta) - \rho(\zeta)\mathcal{G}(\eta, \sigma) + \mathcal{G}(\sigma, [\zeta, \eta]) + \mathcal{G}(\eta, [\zeta, \sigma])$$

- gradient of $V \in C^\infty(M)$, $\text{grad}_\mathcal{G} V \in \text{Sec}(E)$ is $\text{grad}_\mathcal{G} V = \sharp_\mathcal{G}(\rho^*dV)$

**Constrained connection:** Let $D$ subbundle of $E$, $P : E \rightarrow D$ projector, $Q = I - P$, and $D^c = \text{Im}(Q)$ (note $D \oplus D^c = E$). Given $\nabla$ connection,

$$\tilde{\nabla}_\sigma \eta = P(\nabla_\sigma \eta) + \nabla_\sigma (Q\eta), \quad \sigma, \eta \in \text{Sec}(E)$$

Generalizes nonholonomic connection (Lewis 96, Synge 28)

- $\tilde{\nabla}$ restricts to $D$, i.e., $\tilde{\nabla}_\sigma \eta \in D$ for $\eta \in \text{Sec}(D), \sigma \in \text{Sec}(E)$
Prolongation of $E$ (Martinez 01) is $\tau_1: TE \to E$ with fiber

$$T_aE = \{ (b, v) \in E_m \times T_aE \mid \rho(b) = T_a\tau(v) \} , \ a \in E_m$$

- Anchor $\rho^1: TE \to TE, \rho^1(a, b, v) = v$. Also $\tau\tau: TE \to E, \tau\tau(a, b, v) = b$

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**Vertical space:** $\text{Ver}(TE) \subset TE$ are elements $(a, 0, v)$ with $v$ vertical vector

**Vertical lift of** $\sigma \in \text{Sec}(E)$ is $\sigma^V \in \text{Sec}(TE), \sigma^V(a) = (a, 0, \sigma(m)^V_a)$

**Horizontal space:** $\text{Hor}_m(TE) \subset T_{0_m} E$ along $0_M$.

$$\text{Hor}_m(TE) = \{ (0_m, b, v) \in T_{0_m} E \mid v \in T_m M \subseteq T_{0_m} E \}, \ m \in M$$

Along $0_M, T_{0_M} E = \text{Hor}(TE) \oplus \text{Ver}_{0_M}(TE)$
Homogeneity

Liouville section of $TE$ is $\Delta(a) = (a, 0, a^V)$

$F \in C^\infty(E)$ is \textit{homogeneous of degree} $s \in \mathbb{Z}$ if $\mathcal{L}_{\rho^1(\Delta)} F = s F$

$Z \in \text{Sec}(TE)$ is \textit{homogeneous of degree} $s \in \mathbb{Z}$ if $[\Delta, Z] = s Z$

$\mathcal{P}_s$ is set of homogeneous sections of $TE$ of degree $s$

\textbf{Proposition:} Let $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $Z \in \text{Sec}(TE)$. Then

(i) $[\mathcal{P}_s, \mathcal{P}_r] \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{s+r}$, and $\mathcal{P}_s = \{0\}$ if $s \leq -2$,

(ii) $Z \in \mathcal{P}_{-1}$ if and only if there exists a section $\sigma$ of $E$ such that $Z = \sigma^V$,

(iii) $Z \in \mathcal{P}_0$ if and only if $Z$ is a projectable section,

Note that for all $Z \in \mathcal{P}_s, s \geq 1$, $Z(0_m) = 0_0, m \in M$
**SODE sections**

\[ \Gamma \in \text{Sec}(TE) \text{ is SODE section on } E \text{ if } T_\tau \circ \Gamma = \text{Id}_E \]

- \( \text{Adm}(E) \) is set of admissible vectors \( v \in T_aE \) of the form \( (a, a, v) \in TE \)
- \( \Gamma \in \text{Sec}(TE) \) is SODE if \( \Gamma \in \text{Adm}(E) \)

**Sprays** are homogeneous SODE sections with degree 1

- Associated *symmetric product*: for \( \sigma, \eta \in \text{Sec}(E) \), \( [\sigma^V, [\Gamma, \eta^V]] \) is homogeneous with degree \(-1\), hence \( \langle \sigma : \eta \rangle^V_{\Gamma} = [\sigma^V, [\Gamma, \eta^V]] \)

Symmetric product determines and is determined by \( \Gamma \). Locally

\[
[\eta^V, [\Gamma, \sigma^V]] = \left( \sigma^\gamma \rho^k_\gamma \frac{\partial \eta^\alpha}{\partial x^k} + \eta^\gamma \rho^k_\gamma \frac{\partial \sigma^\alpha}{\partial x^k} + f^\alpha_\beta_\gamma \sigma^\beta \eta^\gamma \right)\nabla^V_{\alpha}
\]

- For \( \Gamma \) and skew-symmetric (2,1) tensor \( T \), \( \nabla^\Gamma_{\sigma,T} \eta = \frac{1}{2} \left( [\sigma, \eta] + T(\sigma, \eta) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \langle \sigma : \eta \rangle_{\Gamma} \) is unique connection with associated spray \( \Gamma \) and torsion \( T \)
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**Nonlinear control**

**Affine nonlinear control system** on manifold $M$, 

$$
\dot{m}(t) = f(m(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t)g_i(m(t)),
$$

where $u = (u_1, \ldots, u_k) \in U$, $0 \in U$ open set of $\mathbb{R}^k$

$f$ is drift vector field 
$g_1, \ldots, g_k$ are control vector fields 

$t \mapsto u(t) = (u_1(t), \ldots, u_k(t))$ belongs to $\mathcal{U}$, set of admissible controls 
(for us, piecewise constant functions with values in $U$)
Sample control problems

Stabilization

- Stabilize an (otherwise) unstable equilibrium
- Shape the dynamics to make a desired configuration an equilibrium

Motion planning and trajectory tracking

- Generate controls that make system go from $A$ to $B$
- Generate controls that make system track a desired trajectory

Parameter uncertainty and disturbance rejection

- Design controls that cope with errors in knowledge of parameters
- Make system behavior robust to unknown disturbances
Controllability problem

\( \mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T) \) is reachable set from \( m \in M \) at time \( T > 0 \), with trajectories contained in neighborhood \( V \) of \( m \) for \( t \leq T \)

\[
\mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T) = \bigcup_{t \leq T} \mathcal{R}_M^V(m, t)
\]

**Locally accessible from** \( m \in M \): \( \mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T) \) contains non-empty open set of \( M \) for all neighborhoods \( V \) of \( m \) and all \( T > 0 \)

**Locally controllable from** \( m \in M \): \( \mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T) \) contains non-empty open set of \( M \) to which \( m \) belongs for all neighborhoods \( V \) of \( m \) and all \( T > 0 \)
General control systems on Lie algebroids

\[ \tau : E \to M \text{ Lie algebroid, } \sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k \in \text{Sec}(E) \]

Control problem on \( E \to M \) with drift \( \sigma \) and inputs \( \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k \)

\[
\dot{m}(t) = \rho(\sigma(m(t))) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t)\eta_i(m(t))
\]

Trajectories are admissible curves of \( E \), and hence must lie on a leaf of \( E \).

Only locally transitive Lie algebroids – otherwise, system cannot be locally accessible at points \( m \in M \) where \( \rho \) is not surjective

With \( f = \rho(\sigma), g_i = \rho(\eta_i) \), standard affine nonlinear control system on \( M \) Lie algebroid \textbf{geometric structure} enhances controllability analysis
Accessibility algebra and subbundle

**Accessibility algebra** \( D \) is smallest subalgebra in \( \text{Sec}(E) \) containing \( \sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k \).

Elements of \( D \) are linear combinations of Lie brackets of the form
\[
[\zeta_l, [\zeta_{l-1}, \ldots, [\zeta_2, \zeta_1] \ldots]], \quad \zeta_i \in \{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}, \ l \in \mathbb{N}
\]

**Accessibility subbundle** \( \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}) \) is vector subbundle of \( E \) generated by accessibility algebra \( D \),
\[
\overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}) = \text{span} \{\zeta(m) \mid \zeta \text{ section of } E \text{ in } D\}, \ m \in M
\]

If dimension of \( \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}) \) is constant, then \( \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}) \) is smallest Lie subalgebroid of \( E \) that has \( \{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\} \) as sections.
Accessibility and controllability tests

**Theorem:** Let $E$ be locally transitive at $m \in M$

$$\overline{\text{Lie}(\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\})(m)} + \ker \rho(m) = E_m \Rightarrow \text{locally accessible from } m$$
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Let $B$ be iterated Lie bracket of elements in $\{X_0, X_1, \ldots, X_k\} \subset \operatorname{Sec}(E)$

- $\delta_i(B)$ is the number of times that $X_i$ appears in $B$
- $\delta(B) = \delta_0(B) + \delta_1(B) + \cdots + \delta_k(B)$, degree of $B$
- $B$ bad if $\delta_0(B)$ odd and $\delta_i(B)$ even, $i \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$. $B$ good if not bad

**Theorem:** Assume system locally accessible from $m \in M$. If every bad Lie bracket $B$ in $\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}$ evaluated at $m$ can be put as an $\mathbb{R}$-linear combination of good Lie brackets in $\{\sigma, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}$ of lower degree and elements in $\ker \rho(m)$, then system is locally controllable from $m$
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Mechanical control systems on Lie algebroids

For Lagrangian $L : E \to \mathbb{R}$, Euler-Lagrange operator $\delta L : \text{Adm}(E) \to E^*$ (Cariñena & Martinez 01, Martinez 01, Weinstein 96). Locally

$$\delta L = \left( \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial y^\alpha} + C^{\gamma}_{\alpha\beta} y^\beta \frac{\partial L}{\partial y^\gamma} - \rho^i_{\alpha} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^i} \right) e^\alpha$$

With input forces $\{\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_k\} \subset \text{Sec}(E^*)$ acting on Lagrangian system

$$\delta L = \sum_{l=1}^{k} u_l \theta_l$$

If system is nonholonomically constrained by subbundle $D$ of $E$, with projectors $P : E \to D$ and $Q = I - P$. Equations of motion read

$$P^*(\delta L) = \sum_{l=1}^{k} u_l P^*(\theta_l), \quad Q(a) = 0$$
Connection control systems

Let $\nabla$ connection on $E$, and $\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\} \subset \text{Sec}(E)$

$$\nabla_{a(t)} a(t) + \eta(m(t))) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t) \eta_i(m(t))$$

Equivalently, control system on $\mathcal{T}E \to E$

$$\dot{a}(t) = \rho^1((\Gamma_\nabla - \eta^V)(a(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t) \eta^V_i(a(t)))$$

Equations capture mechanical control systems, both

- **unconstrained**: $L = \frac{1}{2} G - V \circ \tau$, $\nabla = \nabla^g$, $\eta = \text{grad}_g V$, $\eta_i = \sharp_g(\theta_i) \in \text{Sec}(E)$

- **constrained**: $L = \frac{1}{2} G - V \circ \tau$, $D$ subbundle of $E$, $\tilde{\nabla} = P(\nabla^g \cdot) + \nabla^g(Q \cdot)$, $\eta = P(\text{grad}_g V)$, $\eta_i = P(\sharp_g(\theta_i)) \in \text{Sec}(E)$
Accessibility and controllability notions

I: Full-state accessibility and controllability

$W$ neighborhood of $0_m \in E$,

$$\mathcal{R}_E^W(0_m, \leq T)$$ reachable points in $E$ from $0_m$

System **locally accessible from $m$ at zero** if $\mathcal{R}_E^W(0_m, \leq T)$ contains non-empty open set of $E$ for all neighb. $W$ of $0_m$ in $E$ and all $T > 0$
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II: Base accessibility and controllability

Additional notions specialized to mechanical control systems

$V$ neighborhood of $m \in M$,

$$\mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T) = \tau(\mathcal{R}_E^{\tau^{-1}(V)}(0_m, \leq T))$$ reachable points in $M$ from $m$

System **locally base accessible from** $m$ if $\mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T)$ contains non-empty open set of $M$ for all neighborhoods $V$ of $m$ in $M$ all $T > 0$
Accessibility and controllability notions

III: Accessibility and controllability with regards to a manifold

Let $\psi : M \rightarrow N$ be open. System is **locally base accessible from $m$ with regards to $N$** if $\psi(\mathcal{R}_M^V(m, \leq T))$ contains non-empty open set of $N$ for all neighborhoods $V$ of $m$ and all $T > 0$.

Analogous definitions for **controllability**

Base accessibility and controllability with regards to $M$ with $\text{Id}_M : M \rightarrow M$ corresponds to base accessibility and controllability.

System base accessible (respec. controllability) $\Rightarrow$ system base accessible (respec. controllability) with regards to $N$. 

Structure of control algebra

Objective: analyze \( \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\Gamma - \eta^V, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V\}) \) at points of the form \( 0_m, m \in M \)

Analysis
- extends Lewis & Murray 95 to mechanical control systems defined on Lie algebroids
- relies on homogeneity and geometry of \( TE \) along zero-section

Strategy: \( \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\Gamma - \eta^V, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V\}) \subset \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\Gamma, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V, \eta^V\}) \)

Theorem: Let \( m \in M \). Then,

\[
\overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\Gamma, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V, \eta^V\}) \cap \text{Ver}_0^m(TE) = \overline{\text{Sym}}(\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\})(m)^V \\
\overline{\text{Lie}}(\{\Gamma, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V, \eta^V\}) \cap \text{Hor}_m(TE) = \overline{\text{Lie}}(\overline{\text{Sym}}(\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}))(m)
\]
Vertical and horizontal distributions

Let $\mathcal{X}' = \{\Gamma - \eta^V, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V\}$ and $\mathcal{X} = \{\Gamma, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V, \eta^V\}$

For $B'$ in $\text{Br}(\mathcal{X}')$, let $S(B') \subset \text{Br}(\mathcal{X})$ contain $B \in \text{Br}(\mathcal{X})$ obtained by replacing any $\Gamma - \eta^V$ in $B'$ by either $\Gamma$ or $\eta^V$ (denote $\delta_{k+1}(B)$ number of occurrences of $\eta^V$ in $B$)

$$B' = \sum_{B \in S(B')} (-1)^{\delta_{k+1}(B)} B$$

Reciprocally, for $B \in \text{Br}(\mathcal{X})$, determine $B'$ such that $B \in S(B')$ by substituting occurrence of $\Gamma$ or $\eta^V$ in $B$ by $\Gamma - \eta^V$ ($\text{pseudoinv}(B) = B'$)

Define $\sigma \in C_{\text{ver}}^{(k)}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \subset \text{Sec}(E)$ iff

$$\sigma^V = B'', \quad B'' = \sum_{\tilde{B} \in \text{S(pseudoinv}(B)) \cap \text{Br_1}(\mathcal{X}) \cap \text{Br_0}(\mathcal{X})} (-1)^{\delta_{k+1}(\tilde{B})} \tilde{B}, \quad B \in \text{Br}^{2k-1}(\mathcal{X}) \text{ primitive}$$

and $\sigma \in C_{\text{hor}}^{(k)}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \subset \text{Sec}(E)$ iff

$$\sigma = \sigma_{B''}, \quad B'' = \sum_{\tilde{B} \in \text{S(pseudoinv}(B)) \cap \text{Br_1}(\mathcal{X}) \cap \text{Br_0}(\mathcal{X})} (-1)^{\delta_{k+1}(\tilde{B})} \tilde{B}, \quad B \in \text{Br}^{2k}(\mathcal{X}) \text{ primitive}$$
The accessibility subbundle

\[ C_{\text{ver}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) = \bigcup C_{\text{ver}}^{(k)}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \]
\[ C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) = \bigcup C_{\text{hor}}^{(k)}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \]

Subbundles of \( E \) are \( C_{\text{ver}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \) and \( C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) \)

**Theorem:** Let \( m \in M \). Then,

\[ \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{ \Gamma - \eta^V, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V \}) \cap \text{Ver}_m(TE) = C_{\text{ver}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m)^V \]
\[ \overline{\text{Lie}}(\{ \Gamma - \eta^V, \eta_1^V, \ldots, \eta_k^V \}) \cap \text{Hor}_m(TE) = C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) \]

When \( \eta = 0 \) (no potential)

\[ C_{\text{ver}}(0; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) = \overline{\text{Sym}}(\{ \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k \}) \]
\[ C_{\text{hor}}(0; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k) = \overline{\text{Lie}}(\overline{\text{Sym}}(\{ \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k \})) \]
Accessibility tests

**Theorem:** Let \( m \in M \) and assume \( E \) is locally transitive at \( m \). Then, system

- locally base accessible from \( m \) if \( C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) + \ker \rho = E_m \)
- locally accessible from \( m \) at zero if \( C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) + \ker \rho = E_m \) and \( C_{\text{ver}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) = E_m \)

When \( \eta = 0 \) (no potential), if \( \overline{\text{Lie(Sym}\{\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\\}')(m)} + \ker \rho \neq E_m \), let \( N \) denote maximal integral manifold of \( \overline{\text{Lie(Sym}\{\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\\}')(m)} \) through \( m \)

For each neighborhood \( V \) of \( m \) in \( M \) and each \( T \) sufficiently small, \( \mathcal{R}_V^M(m, \leq T) \subset N \) contains a non-empty open subset of \( N \)
Controllability tests

Let $P$ be symmetric product in $\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}$

$P$ is **bad** if the number of occurrences of each $\eta_i$ in $P$ is even

$P$ is **good** otherwise

Accordingly, $\langle \eta_i : \eta_i \rangle$ is bad and $\langle \langle \eta : \eta_j \rangle : \langle \eta_i : \eta_i \rangle \rangle$ is good

**Theorem:** Let $m \in M$. System is **locally base controllable** from $m$ if locally base accessible from $m$ and every bad symmetric product in $\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}$ evaluated at $m$ can be put as an $\mathbb{R}$-linear combination of good symmetric products of lower degree and elements of $\text{ker} \rho$

Similar tests for

- locally controllable at zero
- base accessibility/controllability with regards to manifold
Morphism-related mechanical systems (I)

Let $\Psi : E \rightarrow \overline{E}$ be morphism of Lie algebroids and weakly $T\Psi$-related systems $(\Gamma - \eta^V, \{\eta^V_1, \ldots, \eta^V_k\})$ on $E$, $(\overline{\Gamma} - \overline{\eta}^V, \{\overline{\eta}^V_1, \ldots, \overline{\eta}^V_k\})$ on $\overline{E}$.

Using homogeneity, one can deduce that

- associated connections are also $\Psi$-related
- $T\Psi$-relation among vertical lifts of potential terms and input sections translates into a $\Psi$-relation of potential terms and input sections.

**Theorem:** Under above conditions, with $\psi$ open,

if system on $E$ is locally base accessible (respectively locally base controllable) from $m \Rightarrow$ system on $\overline{E}$ is locally base accessible (respectively locally base controllable) from $\psi(m)$.
If $\Psi$ isomorphism between fibers of Lie algebroids, then conditions are either simultaneously satisfied on $E$ and $\overline{E}$ or simultaneously not satisfied.

**Theorem:** Let $\Psi : E \rightarrow \overline{E}$ be a morphism of Lie algebroids which is an isomorphism on each fiber. Consider two mechanical control systems on $E$ and $\overline{E}$, with $k \geq \overline{k}$, that are $\Psi$-related. Let $m \in M$. Then

(i) $C_{\text{ver}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) = E_m$ if and only if $C_{\text{ver}}(\overline{\eta}; \overline{\eta}_1, \ldots, \overline{\eta}_{\overline{k}})(\psi(m)) = \overline{E}_{\psi(m)}$,

(ii) $C_{\text{hor}}(\eta; \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k)(m) + \ker \rho = E_m$ if and only if $C_{\text{hor}}(\overline{\eta}; \overline{\eta}_1, \ldots, \overline{\eta}_{\overline{k}})(\psi(m)) + \ker \overline{\rho} = \overline{E}_{\psi(m)}$,

(iii) Every bad symmetric product in $\{\eta, \eta_1, \ldots, \eta_k\}$ evaluated at $m$ can be put as an $\mathbb{R}$-linear combination of good symmetric products of lower degree if and only if every bad symmetric product in $\{\overline{\eta}, \overline{\eta}_1, \ldots, \overline{\eta}_{\overline{k}}\}$ evaluated at $\psi(m)$ can be put as an $\mathbb{R}$-linear combination of good symmetric products of lower degree.
(i) Motivation

(ii) Lie algebroid formalism

(iii) Nonlinear control

(iv) Mechanical control systems on Lie algebroids

(v) Applications
Applications: Simple Mechanical Control Systems (SMCS)

A simple mechanical control system \((Q, G, V, \mathcal{F})\),

- \(Q\) is the manifold of configurations of the system
- \(G\) is a Riemannian metric on \(Q\) (kinetic energy metric of the system)
- \(V \in C^\infty(Q)\) is the potential function
- \(\mathcal{F} = \{F^1, \ldots, F^k\}\) is a set of \(k\) linearly independent 1-forms on \(Q\)

The dynamics of simple mechanical control systems is classically described by the forced Euler-Lagrange’s equations

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t) F^i
\]

where \(L : TQ \to \mathbb{R}, L(q, \dot{q}) = \frac{1}{2} G(\dot{q}, \dot{q}) - V(q)\)
**Applications: Simple Mechanical Control Systems (SMCS)**

Lie algebroid $\tau = \tau_Q : E_1 = TQ \to M_1 = Q$, with $\rho = \text{Id}_{TQ} : TQ \to TQ$

Forces $F$ correspond to sections of the dual bundle $E_1^* = T^*Q$

Dynamics is intrinsically written as

$$\dot{a}(t) = \rho^1(\Gamma(a(t)) - (\text{grad}_{g} V)^V(a(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i(t)Y_i^V(a(t)))$$

where $\Gamma$ is SODE associated with $\nabla^G$ and $\rho^1 = \text{Id}_{TTM}$

(i) **Base accessibility** (resp. accessibility at zero) in $M = Q$ corresponds to **configuration accessibility** (resp. accessibility at zero velocity) in $Q$ (Lewis & Murray 95)

(ii) Tests on Lie algebroid render previously known tests for accessibility (Lewis & Murray 95)

**Analogous situation with controllability**
SMCS $\SMCS$ invariant under free and proper action $\Phi$ of Lie group $G$

Then $\SMCS_{\Phi} Q\SMCS$ principal fiber bundle with bundle space $Q$, base space $Q/G$, structure group $G$ and projection $\pi$

$\Phi$ induces lifted (free and proper) action of $G$ on $TQ$, $\hat{\Phi} : G \times TQ \rightarrow TQ$,
$\hat{\Phi}_g = T\Phi_g$, with $p : TQ \rightarrow TQ/G, \ p(v_q) = [v_q]$, surjective submersion

Lie algebroid $E_2 = TQ/G \rightarrow M_2 = Q/G$, with

$$\tau_2([v_q]) = [q] \quad \rho_2([v_q]) = T\pi(v_q)$$

SMCS induces mechanical control system on $E_2$:

- $Y$ induce sections $\mathcal{B} = \{ B_i : Q/G \rightarrow TQ/G \}_{i=1}^k$ such that $p \circ Y_i = B_i \circ \pi$;
- $V$ and $G$ induce $\grad_g V$ such that $p \circ \grad_g V = \grad_g V \circ \pi$
Applications: SMCS with symmetry – tests

Accessibility notions:

(i) Base accessibility on $E_2$ corresponds to configuration accessibility in $Q/G$.

(ii) Accessibility at zero in $E_2$ (reachable sets in $TQ/G$) is stronger than accessibility at zero velocity in $Q/G$ (accessible sets in $T(Q/G)$).

(iii) If bundle $Q = G \times Q/G$ is trivial, consider $\tau : G \times Q/G \to G$. Then, base accessibility with regards to $G$ corresponds to fiber configuration accessibility (Cortes et al 02).

Same deal with controllability.

What about accessibility/controllability tests in $Q$ which make use of the SMCS symmetry?
Applications: **SMCS with symmetry – geometry**

- Both algebroids have fibers of the same dimension $n = \dim Q$
- $\Psi$ is surjective
Applications: SMCS with symmetry – tests

**Theorem (accessibility):**

\[
C_{\text{hor}}(\text{grad}_g V; \mathcal{Y}) = TQ \iff C_{\text{hor}}(\text{grad}_g V; \mathcal{B}) = TQ/G
\]

\[
C_{\text{ver}}(\text{grad}_g V; \mathcal{Y}) = TQ \iff C_{\text{ver}}(\text{grad}_g V; \mathcal{B}) = TQ/G
\]

(resp. accessibility at zero velocity)

- reduced representation (space of smaller dimension)
- extends results in Cortes et al 02 to nontrivial potential terms.

**Theorem (controllability):** Enough to check bad symmetric products in

\[
\{\text{grad}_g V, B_1, \ldots, B_k\}
\]

are \(\mathbb{R}\)-linear combinations of good ones in \(TQ/G\)

(plus accessibility)

Furthermore, if reduced system is not base accessible (resp. controllable), then original system is not base accessible (resp. controllable)
Applications: semidirect products – geometry

Let $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M)$, $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} \mapsto \xi_M \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, surjective Lie algebra homomorphism $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} \mapsto \xi_M \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, surjective Lie algebra homomorphism

Lie algebroid $\tau : E = M \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow M$, with $\rho(m, \xi) = \xi_M(m)$

With $T\mathcal{E} \equiv TM \times T\mathfrak{g} \equiv TM \times \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ (left multiplication),

$(a, b, v) \in T\mathcal{E}$ is $(\{(m, \xi), (m, \eta), (v_m, \xi, \zeta)\})$, with $v_m = \eta_M(m)$

Therefore, $T\mathcal{E} \equiv M \times \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$, with

$\tau_1(m, \xi, \eta, \zeta) = (m, \xi)$, $T\tau(m, \xi, \eta, \zeta) = (m, \eta)$, $\rho^1(m, \xi, \eta, \zeta) = (\eta_M(m), \xi, \zeta)$

Let $(\mathcal{G}, V, \{\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_k\})$ be mechanical control system on $E$

Assume $\mathcal{G}$ comes from inner product on $\mathfrak{g}$, $\mathcal{G}((m, \xi_1), (m, \xi_2)) = \mathcal{G}(\xi_1, \xi_2)$

For $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$, define $\text{ad}_\xi^\dagger : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ by $\mathcal{G}(\text{ad}_\xi^\dagger \eta_1, \eta_2) = \mathcal{G}(\eta_1, [\xi, \eta_2]_\mathfrak{g})$
**Applications:** semidirect products – dynamics

SODE reads $\Gamma_{\nabla g}(m, \xi) = (m, \xi, \xi, \text{ad}_\xi^\dagger \xi)$, and controlled equations

$$\dot{a} - \text{ad}_a^\dagger a = -\text{grad}_g V(m) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} u_i \eta_i(m)$$

For constant sections $\sigma_i(m) = (m, \xi_i), i = 1, 2$,

$$\nabla^g_{\sigma_1} \sigma_2(m) = \left( m, \frac{1}{2}[\xi_1, \xi_2]_g - \frac{1}{2}(\text{ad}_{\xi_1}^\dagger \xi_2 + \text{ad}_{\xi_2}^\dagger \xi_1) \right)$$

$$\langle \sigma_1 : \sigma_2 \rangle (m) = (m, -(\text{ad}_{\xi_1}^\dagger \xi_2 + \text{ad}_{\xi_2}^\dagger \xi_1))$$

(i) Tests can be applied to these problems to determine base accessibility (resp. controllability) – generalizes Shen 02

(ii) Systems appear frequently as mechanical systems defined on homogeneous spaces for a given group action
Conclusions

- Investigated controllability properties of systems on Lie algebroids. Established controllability results for nonlinear affine control systems.
- Introduced mechanical control system on Lie algebroid. Defined controllability notions and investigated sufficient tests. Applications to systems related by morphism of Lie algebroids.
- Illustrated results with the classes of simple mechanical control systems and of systems evolving on semidirect products.

Future work

- Investigation of controllability tests along relative equilibria of mechanical control systems on Lie algebroids.
- Treatment of models that include gyroscopic forces and dissipation.
Thanks for your attention!

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