

## LAGRANGEANS ON A MANIFOLD WITH A (1,1)-TENSOR FIELD

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ABSTRACT. The main object of this paper is the Lagrange calculus of first order on a manifold with a given (1,1)-tensor field.

### INTRODUCTION

In this paper we deal with Lagrangians of first order that are functions  $L : TM \rightarrow R$  on the tangent bundle  $TM$  of a manifold  $M$ , when on  $M$  is given a (1,1)-tensor field  $A : M \rightarrow T^*M \otimes TM$ . Recall two canonical objects on  $TM$ : the Liouville field  $V$  the flow of which is determined by the homotheties on the fibres of  $p_M : TM \rightarrow M$  and the endomorphism  $v : TM \rightarrow T^*M \otimes VTM$  which is induced by the identity on  $TM$  and by the canonical identification  $VTM = TM \times_M TM$  of the subbundle  $VTM$  of vertical vectors on  $TM$ .

We use well known notions of the Lagrange formalism and the theory of lifting:

1. The Lagrange equation  $i_X dd_v L = dL - VL$ , see for example [1].
2. The Lagrange fields  $S_L$  that are the semisprays (vector fields  $S$  on  $TM$  with the property  $v(S) = V$ ) satisfying the Lagrange equation.
3. The Lagrange forms  $d_v L, \omega_L = dd_v L, dE = d(L - VL)$ .
4. The connection  $\Gamma_S$  canonically determined by a semispray  $S$  on  $TM$ , see [2].
5. The natural lifts of a (1,1)-tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  in the tangent bundle  $TM$  first of all the vertical lift  $Av$  and the complete lift  $Ac$ , see [5].

In the first section we deal with the affine space of the connections on  $TM$  with the property  $Ac(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$ , where  $H\Gamma$  is the horizontal subbundle of a connection  $\Gamma$ . In general, a (1,1)tensor field  $\alpha$  on  $TM$  is called  $\Gamma$ -parallel if  $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$ . We find conditions for  $A$  such that  $Ac$  is  $\Gamma_S$ -parallel and conditions under which there exists a unique connection  $\Gamma$  such that  $L_S Av$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel where  $L_S$  denotes the Lie derivative of  $Av$  with respect to a given semispray  $S$ .

The second section is devoted to the mutual relations between  $\omega_L$  and  $A$ . Here some equalities of the first order Lagrangian calculus on a manifold  $M$  with a (1,1)-tensor field are introduced. Proposition 8 states the conditions under which there

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is a unique connection  $\Gamma$  such that  $\omega_L(h_\Gamma, Ac \cdot h_\Gamma) = 0$ . In Proposition 9 it is proved that the Lagrange field  $S_L$  satisfies the equality

$$i_S dd_{Av}L = i_{Ac}dl - d(V_AL), \quad V_A = Av(S).$$

It is proved (Proposition 11) that the equality

$$i_{AcX} dd_vL = i_X dd_{Av}L$$

is satisfied if the 2-form  $di_{Ac}dL$  is semibasic. Proposition 12 states the conditions under which the equation

$$i_S i_{Ac} \omega_L = d(V_AL) - i_{Ac}(d(E - L))$$

has a unique solution.

In this paper we suppose that all manifolds and maps are smooth.

## 1. SEMISPRAYS AND CONNECTIONS ON A MANIFOLD WITH (1,1)-TENSOR FIELDS

Let  $M$  be a manifold,  $(x^i)$  be a local chart on  $M$  and  $(x^i, x_1^i)$  be the induced chart on  $TM$ . Denote by  $V = x_1^i \partial / \partial x_1^i$  the Liouville field on  $TM$ , by  $v = dx^i \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i$  the canonical (1,1)-tensor field determined by the identity on  $TM$  and by the canonical identification  $VTM = TM x_M TM$ , where  $VTM$  is the vector bundle of all vertical vectors on  $TM$ .

Recall that a vector field  $X : TM \rightarrow TTM$  on  $TM$  is called a differential equation of second order (shortly a semispray) if  $v(X) = V$ , i.e. if its coordinate form is

$$X = x_1^i \partial / \partial x^i + \eta^i(x, x_1) \partial / \partial x_1^i .$$

Let  $\alpha = (a_j^i dx^j + b_j^i dx_1^j) \otimes \partial / \partial x^i + (c_j^i dx^j + h_j^i dx_1^j) \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i$  be a (1,1)-tensor field on  $TM$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is vertical if  $\alpha(VTM) \subset VTM$ , i.e. if  $v \cdot \alpha \cdot v = 0$ .

A connection  $\Gamma$  on the fibre manifold  $p_m : TM \rightarrow M$  can be introduced as a (1,1)-tensor field  $h_\Gamma$  (the horizontal form of the connection) satisfying the conditions  $h_\Gamma(VTM) = 0$ ,  $Tp_m h_\Gamma = Tp_M$  where throughout this paper we use the denotation  $TF$  for the tangential prolongation of a map  $F$ . In coordinates  $h_\Gamma = dx^i \otimes \partial / \partial c^i + \Gamma_j^i(x, x_1) dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i$ , where  $\Gamma_j^i$  are the local components of  $\Gamma$ . Then  $H\Gamma := Im h_\Gamma \subset TTM$  is the horizontal subbundle of the connection  $\Gamma$  (satisfying the equation  $dx_1^i = \Gamma_j^i dx^j$  and the decomposition  $TTM = VTM \oplus H\Gamma$ ) and  $v_\Gamma = Id_{TTM} - h_\Gamma$  is the vertical form of the connection  $\Gamma$ . Recall that the set of all connections on  $TM$  is an affine space associated with the vector space  $C^\infty(T^*M \otimes VTM)$  of all semibasic 1-vector forms with values in  $VTM$ .

There is a unique semispray  $S_\Gamma : x_1^i \partial / \partial x^i + \Gamma_j^i x_1^j \partial / \partial x_1^i$  which is  $\Gamma$ -horizontal.

Every semispray  $S$  determines the connection  $\Gamma_S$  the horizontal form of which is  $h_\Gamma = \frac{1}{2}(Id_{TTM} - L_S v)$ , where  $L_S v$  is the Lie derivative of  $v$  with respect to  $S$ . Its components are  $\Gamma_j^i = \frac{1}{2} \eta_{j_1}^i$ , where the denotation  $f_{i_1} : \partial f / \partial x_1^i$  together with  $f_i := \partial f / \partial x^i$  will be used throughout our paper.

**Definition 1.** Let  $\alpha$  be a (1,1)-tensor field and  $\Gamma$  be a connection on  $TM$ . The field  $\alpha$  is called  $\Gamma$ -parallel if  $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$ .

We will introduce the coordinate condition for  $\alpha$  to be  $\Gamma$ -parallel. If we use the above expression of  $\alpha$  and if  $\Gamma_j^i$  are the components of  $\Gamma$  then

$$(1) \quad \alpha \cdot h_\Gamma = (a_j^i + b_t^i \Gamma_j^t) dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x^i + (c_j^i + h_t^i \Gamma_j^t) dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i .$$

Then  $\alpha$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel iff

$$(2) \quad \Gamma_u^i (a_j^u + b_t^u \Gamma_j^t) = c_j^i + h_t^i \Gamma_j^t .$$

Let  $A = a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x^i$  be a (1,1)-tensor field on a manifold  $M$ . We will prefer two natural lifts of  $A$  on  $TM$ , see [5]:

- a) the vertical lift  $Av = a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i$  that is a semi-basic vector 1-form on  $TM$  induced by the identification  $VTM = TM x_M TM$ ,
- b) the complete lift  $Ac = a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x^i + (a_{j,k}^i x_1^k dx^j + a_j^i dx_1^i) \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i$  which is determined by the map  $i_2 \cdot TA \cdot i_2$ , where  $i_2 : (x^i, x_1^i, dx^i, dx_1^i) \rightarrow (x^i, dx^i, x_1^i, dx_1^i)$  is the canonical involution on  $TM$ .

Recall that the vector field  $Ac$  is vertical and

$$v \cdot Ac = Ac \cdot v = Av .$$

**Definition 2.** A (1,1)-tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  is called  $\Gamma$ -parallel if  $Ac$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel.

We will need the coordinate form of the Lie derivatives  $L_S Av, L_S Ac$  with respect to a semispray  $S$ . We get

$$\begin{aligned} L_S Av &= -a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial / \partial x^i + [(a_{j,k}^i x_1^k - \eta_{k_1}^i a_j^k) dx^j + a_j^i dx_1^i] \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i \\ L_S Ac &= [(a_{j,k_s}^i x_1^s + a_{j,k}^i \eta_j^k + a_k^i \eta_j^k - \eta_{t_1}^i a_{j,k}^t x_1^k - \eta_k^i a_j^k) dx^j + \\ &\quad + (2a_{j,k}^i x_1^k + a_k^i \eta_{j_1}^k - \eta_{k_1}^i a_j^k) dx_1^i] \otimes \partial / \partial x_1^i . \end{aligned}$$

So the field  $L_S Ac$  is a vector 1-form with values in  $VTM$ . Therefore  $v \cdot L_S Ac = 0$ . The field  $L_S Av$  is vertical and  $v \cdot L_S Av = -L_S Av \cdot v = Av$ .

**Proposition 1.** Let  $S$  be a semispray and  $\Gamma_S$  be the canonical connection determined by  $S$ . Then  $Ac - L_S Av = 2h_{\Gamma_S} \cdot Ac$ .

*Proof.* The equality  $Av = v \cdot Ac$  gives  $L_S Av = L_S v \cdot Ac + v \cdot L_S Ac = L_S v \cdot Ac$ . Then the equality  $L_S v = Id_{TTM} - 2h_{\Gamma_S}$  completes our proof.

**Corollary.** The tensor field  $Ac - L_S Av$  is a vector 1-form with values in  $H\Gamma_S$ .

*Remark.* If  $A$  is a regular field then also  $L_S Av$  is regular. It is easy to show that  $(L_S Av)^{-1} \Gamma_S$  is just the connection on  $TM$  the horizontal subbundle of which is given by vectors  $Y$  such that  $L_{\overline{S}}(L_S Av)(Y)$  is vertical and that the connection  $\Gamma$  does not depend on the choice of the semispray  $\overline{S}$ .

Let  $\Gamma$  be a connection on  $TM$ . If  $A$  is regular then also  $Ac$  is regular and then the subbundle  $Im\ Ac \cdot h_\Gamma$  states the connection  $A\Gamma$  the local components of which

$$\bar{\Gamma}_j^i = (a_{tk}^i x_1^k + a_s^i \Gamma_t^s) \check{a}_j^t, \quad a_t^i \check{a}_j^t = \delta_j^i,$$

immediately follow from the equality (1).

In the case of the tensor field  $\alpha = Ac$  the equality (2) reads

$$(2') \quad \Gamma_u^i a_j^u = a_{jk}^i x_1^k + a_s^i \Gamma_j^s.$$

If  $\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}$  are two connections with respect to which is the tensor field  $A$  parallel then from (2') we get

$$(\Gamma_u^i - \bar{\Gamma}_u^i) a_j^u - a_s^i (\Gamma_j^s - \bar{\Gamma}_j^s) = 0.$$

This equality together with the fact that  $Av$  and  $\Gamma - \bar{\Gamma}$  are sections  $TM \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_{TM} TM$  immediately give

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a given connection on  $TM$ . The set of all (1,1)-tensor fields  $A$  on  $M$  which are  $\Gamma$ -parallel is a real vector space. Let  $A$  be a given (1,1)-tensor field on  $M$ . Then the set of all connections  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$  with respect to which  $A$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel is an affine space associated with the kern of the linear map*

$$\Phi_A : C^\infty(T^*M \otimes_{TM} TM) \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*M \otimes_{TM} TM), \quad \xi \rightarrow Av\xi - \xi Av.$$

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $S$  be a semispray on  $TM$ ,  $\Gamma_S$  be the canonical connection determined by  $S$  and  $A$  be a (1,1)-tensor field on  $M$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent*

- a)  $A$  is  $\Gamma_S$ -parallel,
- b)  $L_S Ac$  is a semibasic vector 1-form with values in  $VTM$ ,
- c)  $L_S Av$  is  $\Gamma_S$ -parallel.

*Proof.* By the equality (2) the tensor field  $L_S Av$  is  $\Gamma_S$ -parallel iff

$$-\frac{1}{2} \eta_{k_1}^i a_j^k = a_{jk}^k x_1^k - \eta_{k_1}^i a_j^k + \frac{1}{2} a_k^i \eta_{j_1}^k.$$

This condition coincides with the equality (2) for the connection  $\Gamma_S$ ,  $\Gamma_j^i = \frac{1}{2} \eta_{j_1}^i$ , and with the coordinate condition  $2a_{jk}^i x_1^k + a_k^i \eta_{j_1}^k - a_j^k \eta_{k_1}^i = 0$  for  $L_S Ac$  to be semibasic. Proof is finished.

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $S$  be a semispray on  $TM$  and  $A$  be a (1,1)-tensor field on  $M$ . If the (2,2)-tensor field  $AT := A \otimes Id_{TM} + Id_{TM} \otimes A$  is regular then there is a unique connection  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$  such that the tensor field  $L_S Av$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel.*

*Proof.* Let  $\Gamma_j^i$  be the components of a connection  $\Gamma$ . Then the condition (2) for the tensor field  $L_S Av$  to be  $\Gamma$ -parallel reads

$$(a_u^i \delta_j^s + \delta_u^i a_j^s) \Gamma_s^u = \eta_{k_1}^i a_j^k - a_{jk}^i x_1^k.$$

It completes our proof.

*Remark.* It is easy to prove that the tensor field  $L_S L_S A v$  is not vertical and that it holds  $v \cdot L_S L_S A v \cdot v = -2Av$ . Therefore if  $A$  is regular then there are connections  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  such that  $HT_1 = L_S L_S A v(VTM)$  and  $L_S L_S A v(HT_2) = VTM$ .

## 2. GEOMETRY OF LAGRANGIANS ON MANIFOLDS WITH A (1,1)-TENSOR FIELD

First, recall some notions and properties.

Let  $\alpha$  be a (1,1)-tensor field on  $TM$ ,  $X$  be a vector field,  $\varepsilon$  be a  $k$ -form on  $TM$ . Then the symbols  $i_\alpha$  and  $i_X$  denote derivatives

$$i_\alpha \varepsilon(Y_1, \dots, Y_k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon(Y_1, \dots, \alpha(Y_i), \dots, Y_k),$$

$$i_X \varepsilon(Y_1, \dots, Y_{k-1}) = \varepsilon(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_{k-1}), \quad d_\alpha = [i_\alpha, d] = i_\alpha d - di_\alpha$$

where  $d$  denotes the exterior derivative.

It holds

$$d_\alpha d = -dd_\alpha, \quad L_X = i_X d + di_X, \quad dL_X = L_X d,$$

where  $L_X$  denotes the Lie derivative of exterior forms with respect to a vector field  $X$ .

When  $\varepsilon$  is a (0, 2)-tensor field on  $TM$  we will use the following denotations

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^\alpha, \varepsilon^\alpha(X, Y) &= \varepsilon(\alpha X, Y), \\ \varepsilon_\alpha, \varepsilon_\alpha(X, Y) &= \varepsilon(X, \alpha Y), \\ \varepsilon\alpha, \varepsilon\alpha(X, Y) &= \varepsilon(\alpha X, \alpha Y) = \alpha^* \varepsilon(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that if  $\varepsilon$  is a 2-form then  $i_\alpha \varepsilon = \varepsilon^\alpha + \varepsilon_\alpha$ .

Let  $L$  be a Lagrangian of first order on  $M$ , i.e. a function on  $TM$ . Then the forms

$$\begin{aligned} d_v L &= L_{i_1} dx^i, \quad d_v L = i_v dL, \\ \omega_L &:= dd_v L = L_{i_1 j} dx^j \wedge dx^i + L_{i_1 j_1} dx_1^j \wedge dx^i \end{aligned}$$

are called the Lagrange 1- and 2-form of Lagrangian  $L$ . When the map  $I_L : C^\infty(TM \rightarrow TTM) \rightarrow C^\infty(TM \rightarrow T^*TM), X \rightarrow i_X \omega_L$ , is regular then the Lagrangian  $L$  is called regular. In this case, the Lagrange 2-form  $\omega_L$  is symplectic. Locally  $L$  is regular iff  $\det L_{i_1 j_1} \neq 0$ . The equation

$$(3) \quad i_X \omega_L = dE, \quad E = L - VL,$$

is a basic equation of the Lagrange formalism of first order. It is called the Lagrange equation. Every semispray, which is a solution of (3) is called the Lagrange field

and denoted by  $S_L$ . Recall that when  $L$  is regular then there is a unique solution of the equation (3) and moreover it is a semispray, i.e. it is the Lagrange field.

We introduce some coordinate expressions we will need.

$$(4) \quad L_{i_1 t_1} \eta^t = L_i - L_{i_1 k} x_1^k ,$$

that is the equation (3) for semisprays

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_L^\alpha &= (L_{j_1 s} a_i^s + L_{j_1 s_1} c_i^s - L_{s_1 j} a_i^s) dx^i dy^j + (L_{j_1 s} b_i^s + L_{j_1 s_1} h_i^s - L_{s_1 j} b_i^s) dx_1^i dy^j - \\ &\quad - L_{s_1 j_1} a_i^s dx^i dy_1^j - L_{s_1 j_1} b_i^s dx_1^i dy_1^j , \\ \omega_L \alpha &= (L_{s_1 u} a_i^s a_j^u + L_{s_1 u_1} a_i^s c_j^u) dx^j \wedge dx^i + (L_{s_1 u} a_i^s b_j^u + L_{s_1 u_1} a_i^s h_j^u - L_{s_1 u} b_j^s a_i^u - \\ &\quad - L_{s_1 u} b_j^s c_i^u) dx_1^j \wedge dx^i + (L_{s_1 u} b_i^s b_j^u + L_{s_1 u_1} b_i^s c_j^u) dx_1^j \wedge dx_1^i , \\ \omega_L^{Ac} &= (L_{j_1 s} a_i^s + L_{j_1 s_1} a_{ik}^s x_1^k - L_{s_1 j} a_i^s) dx^i \otimes dx^j + L_{j_1 s_1} a_i^s dx_1^i \otimes dx^j - L_{s_1 j_1} a_i^s dx^i \otimes \\ &\quad \otimes dx_1^j , \\ \omega_L^{Av} &= L_{j_1 s_1} a_i^s dx^i dy^j , \quad \omega_L^v = L_{i_1 j_1} dx^i dy^j . \end{aligned}$$

The tensor fields  $\omega_L^{Av}$ ,  $\omega_L^v$  can be interpreted as the sections  $\tilde{\omega}_L^{Av}$ ,  $\omega_L^v : TM \rightarrow V^*TM \otimes V^*TM$ .

These expressions immediately give

**Lemma 1.** *If  $\omega_L^{Ac}$  is symmetric or skew-symmetric then  $\omega_L^{Av}$  is skew-symmetric or symmetric.*

**Lemma 2.** *The tensor field  $\omega_L^\alpha$  is symmetric or skew-symmetric iff  $i_\alpha \omega_L = 0$  or  $i_\alpha \omega_L = 2\omega_L$  respectively.*

*Proof.* Since  $\omega_L$  is a 2-form therefore  $\omega_{L\alpha}(X, Y) = \omega_L(X, \alpha Y) = -\omega_L(\alpha Y, Y) = -\omega_L^\alpha(Y, X) = -(\omega_L^\alpha)^t(X, Y)$ . Then the equality  $i_\alpha \omega_L = \omega_L^\alpha + \omega_{L\alpha}$  finishes our proof.

**Definition 3.** We say that vector fields  $X, Y$  on  $TM$  are  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal if  $\omega_L(X, Y) = 0$ . Tensor (1,1)-fields  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  on  $TM$  are called  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal if  $\omega_L(\alpha_1 X, \alpha_2 Y) = 0$  for any vector fields  $X, Y$ . A tensor (1,1)-field  $\alpha$  on  $TM$  is said to be  $\omega_L$ -isotropic if  $\omega_L \alpha = 0$ . A tensor (1,1)-field  $A$  on  $M$  is called  $\omega_L$ -isotropic if its complete lift  $Ac$  is  $\omega_L$ -isotropic.

**Definition 4.** Let  $Z \subset TTM$  be a subbundle of the tangent bundle  $p_{TM} : T(TM) \rightarrow TM$ . The symbol  $\text{Orth}_L Z$  will denote the set of tangent vectors  $Y$  on  $TM$  such that  $\omega_L(X, Y) = 0$  for any  $X \in Z$  satisfying  $p_{TM} X = p_{TM} Y$ . We will say that  $Z$  is  $\omega_L$ -Lagrange if  $\text{Orth}_L Z = Z$ .

**Definition 5.** A connection  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$  is called  $\omega_L$ -isotropic or  $\omega_L$ -Lagrange if its horizontal form  $h_\Gamma$  is  $\omega_L$ -isotropic or  $\omega_L$ -Lagrange respectively. We will say that two connections  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  are  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal if  $h_{\Gamma_1}, h_{\Gamma_2}$  are  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal. When a connection  $\Gamma$  is  $\omega_L$ -isotropic we will say that  $\omega_L$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel as well.

*Remark.* Let  $(M, \varepsilon)$  be pseudo-Riemannian manifold and  $\Gamma$  be the Levi-Civita connection of  $(M, \varepsilon)$ . Then  $\nabla_\Gamma \varepsilon = 0$ . Let  $\bar{\varepsilon}$  be Sasaki metrics on  $TM$  which is the natural lift of  $\varepsilon$ . Then  $\bar{\varepsilon} h_\Gamma = 0$ , i.e.  $\bar{\varepsilon}$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel.

**Lemma 3.** *The tensor field  $\omega_L^{Ac}$  is skew-symmetric if and only if the vector fields  $AcX$  and  $X$  are  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal for every vector field  $X$  on  $TM$ .*

*Proof.*  $\omega_L(AcX, X) = 0 \leftrightarrow \omega_L^{Ac}(X, X) = 0$ . It finishes our proof.

Let  $\Gamma_j^i$  be the components of a connection  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$ . Then  $\omega_L h_\Gamma = (L_{j_1 i} + L_{j_1 s_1} \Gamma_j^s) dx^j \wedge dx^i$ . Therefore the equality

$$(5) \quad L_{j_1 i} - L_{i_1 j} + L_{j_1 s_1} \Gamma_i^s - L_{i_1 s_1} \Gamma_j^s = 0$$

is the coordinate condition for  $\omega_L$  to be  $\Gamma$ -parallel.

If  $\Gamma$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}$  are two connections on  $TM$  such that  $\omega_L$  is  $\Gamma$ - and  $\bar{\Gamma}$ -parallel then it holds from (5)

$$(6) \quad L_{j_1 s_1} (\Gamma_i^s - \bar{\Gamma}_i^s) - L_{i_1 s_1} (\Gamma_j^s - \bar{\Gamma}_j^s) = 0 .$$

We have proved

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a given connection on  $TM$ . Then the set of all Lagrangians  $L$  such that Lagrange forms  $\omega_L$  are  $\Gamma$ -parallel is a vector subspace of the vector space of all functions on  $TM$ . Let  $L$  be a given Lagrangian on  $TM$ . Then the set of all connections  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$  such that  $\omega_L$  is  $\Gamma$ -parallel is an affine space associated to the kernel of the antisymmetrization of the map  $\psi : V^*TM \otimes VTM \rightarrow V^*TM \otimes V^*TM$  determined by the rule  $\beta \rightarrow (\tilde{\omega}_L^v)^\beta$ ,  $\beta_j^i \rightarrow L_{i_1 t_1} \beta_j^t$ .*

It is known, see for example [3], that  $\omega_L$  is  $\Gamma_L$  parallel, i.e. we have

**Proposition 6.** *Let  $S_L$  be a Lagrange field. Then the connection  $\Gamma_L$  determined by the semispray  $S_L$  is  $\omega_L$ -isotropic, i.e.  $\omega_L$  is  $\Gamma_L$ -parallel.*

We will say that the tensor (2,2)-field  $A \otimes Id_{TM} + Id_{TM} \otimes A = A_I$  is regular if the vector bundle morphism  $\bar{A}_I : T^*M \otimes T^*M \rightarrow T^*M \otimes T^*M$  over  $Id_M$ ,  $(x_{km}) \rightarrow (a_i^t \delta_j^u + \delta_i^u a_j^t) x_{ut}$ , is regular.

**Proposition 7.** *Let the tensor field  $A_I$  and the Lagrangian  $L$  be regular. Let the tensor (0,2)-field  $\omega_L^{Av}$  be skew-symmetric. Then there is a unique connection  $\Gamma$  such that  $h_\Gamma$  and  $Ac \cdot h$  are  $\omega_L$ -orthogonal, i.e.  $\omega_L(h_\Gamma X, \alpha \cdot h_\Gamma Y) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that if  $\omega_L^{Ac}$  is symmetric then  $\omega_L^{Av}$  is skew-symmetric, i.e.  $L_{j_1 t_1} a_i^t = -L_{i_1 t_1} a_j^t$ . Let  $X = \xi^i \partial / \partial x^i + \eta^j \partial / \partial x^j$ ,  $Y = \bar{\xi}^i \partial / \partial x^i + \bar{\eta}^j \partial / \partial x^j$  be two vector fields on  $TM$ . Let  $\Gamma_j^i$  be the components of a connection  $\Gamma$  on  $TM$ . Then  $\omega_L(h_\Gamma X, Ac \cdot h_\Gamma Y) = (L_{t_1 j} a_i^t - L_{j_1 t} a_i^t + L_{t_1 u_1} \Gamma_j^u a_i^t - L_{j_1 u_1} a_{ik}^u x_1^k - L_{j_1 u_1} a_s^u \Gamma_i^s) \xi^j \bar{\xi}^i$ . Using the condition for  $\omega_L^{Av}$  to be skew-symmetric the equality  $\omega_L(h_\Gamma X, Ac \cdot h_\Gamma Y) = 0$  holds if and only if

$$(a_i^t \delta_j^u + \delta_i^u a_j^t) L_{s_1 t_1} \Gamma_u^s = L_{i_1 t} a_j^t - L_{t_1 i} a_j^t + L_{i_1 u_1} a_{jk}^u x_1^k .$$

It finishes our proof.

*Remark.* The equality  $\omega_L^{Ac}(Ac \cdot h_\Gamma, h_\Gamma) = 0$  in the case when  $A^2 = \pm Id_{TM}$  is equivalent to the  $\omega_L$ -isotropy of  $\Gamma$  or of  $Ac \cdot h_\Gamma$  in the case when  $\omega_L^{Ac}$  is symmetric or skew-symmetric.

Inspiring by [4] we formulate

**Lemma 4.** Let  $X, Y$  be vector fields,  $L$  be a Lagrangian,  $\alpha$  be a  $(1,1)$ -tensor field and  $\varepsilon$  be a 1-form on  $TM$ . Then the conditions

$$a, i_X dd_\alpha L = \varepsilon - dYL, \quad b, (L_Y - i_X d_\alpha)L = \varepsilon$$

are equivalent.

*Proof.*  $L_Y dL = (i_Y d + di_Y)L = di_Y dL = d(YL), dd_\alpha L = -d_\alpha dL$ . It completes our proof.

Let  $\beta = \beta_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i$  be a vector semibasic form on  $TM$  with values in  $VTM$ . Denote  $V\beta := \beta(S)$ , where  $S$  is an arbitrary semispray. In the case of  $\beta = Av$  we will denote  $Av(S) := VA$ .

**Lemma 5.** Let  $S$  be a semispray,  $L$  be a Lagrangian and  $\beta$  be a semibasic vector  $(1,1)$ -form with values in  $VTM$ . Then

$$(L_V \beta - i_S d_\beta)L = 0 .$$

*Proof.* We get  $d_\beta L = i_\beta dL = L_{t_1} \beta_k^t dx^k$ . Then  $i_S d_\beta L = d_\beta L(S)$ . From the other side  $L_V \beta L = V\beta(L) = L_{t_1} \beta_k^t x_1^k = d_\beta L(S)$ . Our proof is completed.

**Corollary.** Under the conditions of Lemma 5 it holds

$$(8) \quad d(V\beta L) = di_S d_\beta L .$$

We return to the case when  $\alpha = Ac$ ,  $\beta = Av$ . We have  $d_{Av} L = L_{t_1} a_i^t dx^i$

$$dd_{Av} L = (L_{t_1 j} a_i^t + L_{t_1} a_{ij}^t) dx^j \wedge dx^i + L_{t_1 j_1} a_i^t dx_1^j \wedge dx^i .$$

It immediately gives

**Proposition 8.** Let both the Lagrangian  $L$  and the  $(1,1)$ -tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  be regular. Then  $dd_{Av} L$  is a symplectic form.

**Lemma 6.** Let  $S$  be a semispray. Then

$$i_{Ac} L_S d_v L = L_S d_{Av} L .$$

*Proof.*  $L_S d_v L = (L_{i_1 k} x_1^k + L_{i_1 k_1} \eta^k) dx^i + L_{i_1} dx_1^i$ ,

$$L_S d_{Av} L = [(L_{t_1 k_1} a_i^t + L_{t_1} a_{ik}^t) x_1^k + L_{t_1 k_1} a_i^t \eta^k] dx^i + L_{t_1} a_i^t dx_1^i .$$

Now the equality of Lemma 6 follows from the expression of  $Ac$ .

**Proposition 9.** Every Lagrange field  $S_L$  is also a solution of the equation

$$(*) \quad i_S dd_{Av}L = i_{Ac}dL - d(VA(L)) .$$

*Proof.* Being a Lagrange field  $S_L$  satisfies the equation  $i_S dd_vL = dL - dVL$ . Then

$$(9) \quad i_{Ac}(d(VL) + i_S dd_vL) = i_{Ac}dL .$$

Using the equality (8) we get

$$d(VL) + i_S dd_vL = di_S d_vL + i_S dd_vL = (di_S + i_S d)d_vL = L_S d_vL .$$

Then by (9)

$$i_{Ac}dL = i_{Ac}[d(VL) + i_S dd_vL] = i_{Ac}L_S d_vL .$$

Analogously using (8) and Lemma 6 we get

$$d(VAL) + i_S dd_{Av}L = di_S d_{Av}L + i_S dd_{Av}L = L_S d_{Av}L = I_{Ac}L_S d_vL .$$

Therefore  $S_L$  satisfies the equation (\*). Proof is finished.

Let  $X = \xi^i \partial / \partial x^i + \eta^j \partial / \partial x_1^j$  be a vector field on  $TM$ . We calculate

$$\begin{aligned} i_X dd_{Av}L &= [(L_{t_1 j} a_i^t - L_{t_1 i} a_j^t - L_{t_1} a_{j i}^t + L_{t_1} a_{i j}^t) \xi^j + L_{t_1 j_1} a_i^t \eta^j] dx^i - L_{t_1 i_1} a_j^t \xi^j dx_1^i \\ AcX &= a_j^i \xi^j \partial / \partial x^i + (a_{j k}^i x_1^k \xi^j + a_j^i \eta^j) \partial / \partial x_1^i \\ i_{AcX} dd_vL &= [(-L_{t_1 i} a_j^t + L_{i_1 t} a_j^t + L_{i_1 t_1} a_{j k}^t x_1^k) \xi^j + L_{i_1 t_1} a_j^t \eta^j] dx^i - L_{t_1 i_1} a_j^t \xi^j dx_1^i . \end{aligned}$$

These expressions immediately give

**Lemma 7.** For any vertical vector field  $X$  on  $TM$  the 1-forms  $i_X dd_{Av}L$ ,  $i_{AcX} dd_vL$  are semibasic. For every vector field  $X$  the 1-form  $i_{AcX} dd_vL - i_X dd_{Av}L$  is semibasic.

**Corollary.** Let  $Y$  be a vertical vector field on  $TM$ . Then it holds

$$i_{AcX} dd_vL(Y) = i_X dd_{Av}L(Y)$$

for any vector field  $X$  on  $TM$ .

**Definition 6.** A (1,1)-tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  is called  $L$ -commutative if

$$i_{AcX} dd_vL = i_X dd_{Av}L$$

for any vector field  $X$  on  $TM$ .

**Proposition 10.** If a (1,1)-tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  is  $L$ -commutative then  $\omega_L^A$  is skew-symmetric.

*Proof.* The (0,2)-form  $\omega_L^A$  is skew-symmetric iff  $dd_vL(AcY, X) = -dd_vL(AcX, Y)$ . Let  $A$  be  $L$ -commutative. Then for any vector fields  $X, Y$  we get  $dd_vL(AcX, Y) = i_{AcX} dd_vL(Y) = i_X dd_{Av}L(Y) = dd_{Av}L(X, Y)$ . Analogously  $dd_vL(AcY, X) = dd_{Av}L(Y, X) = -dd_{Av}L(X, Y)$ . It completes our proof.

**Proposition 11.** A (1,1)-tensor field  $A$  on  $M$  is  $L$ -commutative if and only if the 2-form  $dd_{Ac}L$  is semibasic.

*Proof.* By the direct computation we get

$$\begin{aligned} di_{Ac}dL &= (L_{t_j}a_i^t + L_t a_{ij}^t + L_{t_1 j} a_{ik}^t x_1^k + L_{t_1} a_{ikj}^t x_1^k) dx^j \wedge dx^i + \\ &\quad + (L_{t_j} a_i^t + L_{t_1 j_1} a_{ik}^t x_1^k + L_{t_1} a_{ij}^t - L_{t_1} a_j^t - L_{t_1} a_{ji}^t) dx_1^j \wedge dx^i + \\ &\quad + L_{t_1 j_1} a_i^t dx_1^j \wedge dx_1^i . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing it with the expression for  $i_{Ac}X dd_v L - i_X dd_{Av} L$  we finish our proof.

*Remark.* Recall the map  $I_L : X \rightarrow i_X dd_v L$ . If we denote by  $I_{LA}$  the map  $X \rightarrow i_X dd_{Av} L$  we can say that  $A$  is  $L$ -commutative if and only if  $I_{LA} = I_L \cdot Ac$ .

**Lemma 8.**  $\omega_L^A$  is symmetric iff  $i_{Ac}X dd_v L = -i_{Ac}i_X dd_v L$ .  $\omega_L^A$  is skew-symmetric iff  $i_{Ac}X dd_v L = i_{Ac}i_X dd_v L$ .

*Proof.*  $(i_{Ac}X dd_v L)(X) = dd_v L(AcX, Y) = \omega_L^A(X, Y)$ ,  $(i_{Ac}i_X dd_v L)(Y) = (i_X dd_v L)(AcY) = dd_v L(X, AcY) = \omega_{LA}(X, Y) = -(\omega_L^A)^t(X, Y)$ . It completes our proof.

In the rest part of this paper we will deal with the 2-form  $i_{Ac}\omega_L$ . In general it is not closed. We introduce its expression  $i_{Ac}\omega_L = (L_{t_1 j} a_i^t + L_{i_1 t_1} a_j^t + L_{i_1 t_1} a_{jk}^t x_1^k) dx^j \wedge dx^i + (L_{t_1 j_1} a_i^t + L_{i_1 t_1} a_j^t) dx_1^j \wedge dx^i$ .

Let  $s(\omega_L^{Av}) = (L_{i_1 s_1} a_j^s + L_{j_1 s_1} a_i^s) dx^i dy^j$  denote the symmetrisation of  $\omega_L^{Av}$ . It is clear that  $i_{Ac}\omega_L$  is regular iff  $s(\omega_L^{Av})$  is regular.

**Proposition 12.** If the (0,2)-tensor field  $s(\omega_L^{Av})$  is regular then there is a unique vector field  $X$  such that

$$i_X i_{Ac}\omega_L = i_{Ac}(dE + dL) - dVAL, \quad E = L - VL .$$

This vector field is a semispray.

*Proof.* By direct computation we obtain that the form  $i_X(i_{Ac}\omega_L) + d(VAL) - i_{Ac}(dE + dL)$  is semibasic iff  $X$  is a semispray. Then the assertion of Proposition (12) follows from the term  $(L_{t_1 j_1} a_i^t + L_{i_1 t_1} a_j^t) dx_1^j \wedge dx^i$  in the expression of  $i_{Ac}\omega_L$ .

*Remarks.*

1. If  $S$  is the Lagrange field then  $i_S i_{Ac}\omega_L(Y) = i_{Ac}\omega_L(S, Y) = \omega_L(AcS, Y) + \omega_L(S, AcY) = i_{Ac}S\omega_L(Y) + i_{Ac}dE$ . Therefore if  $A$  is  $L$ -commutative then  $i_{Ac}S\omega_L = i_S dd_{Av} L = i_{Ac}dL - d(VAL)$ , (see Proposition (9)), and then  $i_S i_{Ac}\omega_L = i_{Ac}dL - d(VAL) + i_{Ac}dE$ .
2. In the case when  $\omega_L^A$  is skew-symmetric then  $i_{Ac}\omega_L = 2\omega_L^A$ . Then  $i_{Ac}\omega_L$  is regular iff Lagrangian  $L$  is regular and  $A$  is regular. Then the Lagrange field satisfies the equation

$$i_S(i_{Ac}\omega_L) = 2i_{Ac}dE .$$

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