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# Noncommutative Configuration Space. Classical and Quantum Mechanical Aspects

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In this work we examine noncommutativity of position coordinates in classical symplectic mechanics and its quantisation. In coordinates  $\{q^i, p_k\}$  the canonical symplectic two-form is  $\omega_0 = dq^i \wedge dp_i$ . It is well known in symplectic mechanics [5, 6, 9] that the interaction of a charged particle with a magnetic field can be described in a Hamiltonian formalism without a choice of a potential. This is done by means of a modified symplectic two-form  $\omega = \omega_0 - e\mathbf{F}$ , where  $e$  is the charge and the (time-independent) magnetic field  $\mathbf{F}$  is closed:  $d\mathbf{F} = 0$ . With this symplectic structure, the canonical momentum variables acquire non-vanishing Poisson brackets:  $\{p_k, p_l\} = eF_{kl}(q)$ . Similarly a closed two-form in  $p$ -space  $\mathbf{G}$  may be introduced. Such a *dual magnetic field*  $\mathbf{G}$  interacts with the particle's *dual charge*  $r$ . A new modified symplectic two-form  $\omega = \omega_0 - e\mathbf{F} + r\mathbf{G}$  is then defined. Now, both  $p$ - and  $q$ -variables will cease to Poisson commute and upon quantisation they become noncommuting operators. In the particular case of a linear phase space  $\mathbf{R}^{2N}$ , it makes sense to consider constant  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  fields. It is then possible to define, by a linear transformation, global Darboux coordinates:  $\{\xi^i, \pi_k\} = \delta^i_k$ . These can then be quantised in the usual way  $[\hat{\xi}^i, \hat{\pi}_k] = i\hbar\delta^i_k$ . The case of a quadratic potential is examined with some detail when  $N$  equals 2 and 3.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

The idea to consider non vanishing commutation relations between position operators  $[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}] = i\ell^2$ , analogous to the canonical commutation relations between position and conjugate momentum  $[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_x] = i\hbar$ , is ascribed to Heisenberg, who saw there a possibility to introduce a fundamental length  $\ell$  which might control the short distance singularities of quantum field theory. However, noncommutativity of coordinates appeared first nonrelativistically in the work of Peierls [2] on the diamagnetism of conduction electrons. In the limit of a strong magnetic field in the  $z$ -direction, the gap between Landau levels becomes large and, to leading order, one obtains  $[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}] = i\hbar c/eB$ . In relativistic quantum mechanics, noncommutativity was first examined in 1947 by Snyder [3] and, in the last five years, inspired by string and brane-theory, many papers on field theory in noncommutative spaces appeared in the physics literature. The apparent unitarity problem related to time-space noncommutativity in field theory was studied and solved in [10]. Also (nonrelativistic) quantum mechanics on noncommutative twodimensional spaces has been examined more thoroughly in the recent years: [11–16]. The above mentioned unitarity problem in quantum physics is also examined in Balachandran et al. [17].

In this work we discuss noncommutativity of configuration space  $Q$  in classical mechanics on the cotangent bundle  $T^*(Q)$  and its canonical quantisation in the most simple case. In section II we review the classical theory of a non relativistic particle interacting with a time-independent magnetic field  $\mathbf{F} = 1/2F_{ij}(q)dq^i \wedge dq^j$ ;  $d\mathbf{F} = 0$ . This is done in every textbook introducing a potential in a Lagrangian formalism. The Legendre transformation defines then the Hamiltonian and the

canonical symplectic two-form  $dq^i \wedge dp_i$  implements the corresponding Hamiltonian vector field. We also recall the less well known procedure of avoiding the introduction of a potential using a modified symplectic structure:  $\omega = dq^i \wedge dp_i - e\mathbf{F}$ . The coupling with the charge  $e$  is hidden in the symplectic structure and does not show up in the Hamiltonian:  $H_0(q, p) = \delta^{kl} p_k p_l / 2m + \mathcal{V}(q)$ . In section III, a closed two-form in  $p$ -space, the *dual field*:  $\mathbf{G} = 1/2G^{kl}(p)dp_k \wedge dp_l$ , is added to the symplectic structure  $\omega = dq^i \wedge dp_i - e\mathbf{F} + r\mathbf{G}$ , where  $r$  is a *dual charge*.

Such an approach with a modified symplectic structure has been previously considered by Duval and Horvathy [11, 14] emphasizing the  $N = 2$ -dimensional case in connection with the quantum Hall effect. We should also mention Plyushchay's interpretation [18] of such a dual charge  $r$  when  $N = 2$  as the anyon spin. Considering here an arbitrary number of dimensions  $N$ , no such interpretation of  $r$  is assumed. The crucial point is that, now, both  $p$ - and  $q$ -variables cease to Poisson commute and upon quantisation they should become noncommuting operators. In the particular case of a linear phase space  $\mathbf{R}^{2N}$ , it makes sense to consider constant  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  fields. It is then possible to define global Darboux coordinates with Poisson brackets  $\{\xi^i, \pi_k\} = \delta^i_k$ . These can then be quantised uniquely [1] in the usual way:  $[\hat{\xi}^i, \hat{\pi}_k] = i\hbar\delta^i_k$ . However, in general, the dynamics become non-linear and there is no guarantee that the Hamiltonian vector field is complete. It is then not trivial to quantise the Hamiltonian, which becomes nonlocal. However, for a linear or quadratic Hamiltonian, this is possible and it is seen that the noncommutativity generates a magnetic moment type interaction. The cases  $N = 2$  and  $N = 3$  are discussed in detail in section IV. In section V we examine the problem of symmetries in the modified symplectic manifold. Finally, in section VI general comments are made and further developments are suggested. In appendix A we recall

basic notions in symplectic geometry and in appendix B we give a brief account of the Gotay-Nester-Hinds algorithm [7] for constrained Hamiltonian systems.

## II. NON RELATIVISTIC PARTICLE INTERACTING WITH A TIME-INDEPENDENT MAGNETIC FIELD

A particle of mass  $m$  and charge  $e$ , with potential energy  $\mathcal{V}$ , moving in a Euclidean configuration space  $Q$ , with cartesian coordinates  $q^i$ , interacts with a (time-independent) magnetic field given by a closed two-form  $\mathbf{F}(q) = \frac{1}{2} F_{ij}(q) \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}q^j$ . The dynamics is given by the Laplace equation:

$$m \frac{\mathbf{d}^2 q^i}{\mathbf{d}t^2} = \delta^{ij} \left( e F_{jk}(q) \frac{\mathbf{d}q^k}{\mathbf{d}t} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}(q)}{\partial q^j} \right). \quad (\text{II.1})$$

Assuming  $Q$  to be Euclidean avoids topological subtleties, so that there exists a global potential one-form  $\mathbf{A}(q) = A_i(q) \mathbf{d}q^i$  such that  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{d}\mathbf{A}$ . A global Lagrangian formalism can then be established with a Lagrangian function on the tangent bundle  $\{\tau : T(Q) \rightarrow Q\}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}(q, \dot{q}) = \frac{1}{2} m \delta_{ij} \dot{q}^i \dot{q}^j + e \dot{q}^i A_i(q) - \mathcal{V}(q).$$

The Euler-Lagrange equation is obtained as:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q^i} - \frac{\mathbf{d}}{\mathbf{d}t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}^i} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i} + e \dot{q}^k \frac{\partial A_k(q)}{\partial q^i} - \frac{\mathbf{d}}{\mathbf{d}t} (m \delta_{ij} \dot{q}^j + e A_i(q)) \\ &= -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i} + e \dot{q}^k \left( \frac{\partial A_k(q)}{\partial q^i} - \frac{\partial A_i(q)}{\partial q^k} \right) - m \frac{\mathbf{d}}{\mathbf{d}t} \delta_{ij} \dot{q}^j \\ &= -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i} + e \mathbf{F}_{ik}(q) \dot{q}^k - m \delta_{ij} \ddot{q}^j, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{II.2})$$

and coincides with the Laplace equation (II.1).

The Legendre transform

$$(q^i, \dot{q}^j) \rightarrow \left( q^i, p_k = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}^k} = m \delta_{kl} \dot{q}^l + e A_k(q) \right),$$

defines the Hamiltonian on the cotangent bundle  $\{T^*(Q) \xrightarrow{\kappa} Q\}$ :

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{A}}(q, p) = -\mathcal{L}(q, \dot{q}) + p_i \dot{q}^i =$$

$$\frac{1}{2m} \delta^{kl} (p_k - e A_k(q)) (p_l - e A_l(q)) + \mathcal{V}(q).$$

With the canonical symplectic two-form

$$\omega_0 = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i, \quad (\text{II.3})$$

the Hamiltonian vector field of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{A}}$  is:

$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{\delta^{ij}}{m} (p_j - e A_j) \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} + \left( \frac{e}{m} \delta^{kl} \frac{\partial A_k}{\partial q^i} (p_l - e A_l) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}.$$

Its integral curves are solutions of:

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}q^i}{\mathbf{d}t} = \frac{\delta^{ij}}{m} (p_j - e A_j), \quad \frac{\mathbf{d}p_i}{\mathbf{d}t} = \frac{e}{m} \delta^{kl} \frac{\partial A_k}{\partial q^i} (p_l - e A_l) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i}, \quad (\text{II.4})$$

which is again equivalent to (II.1).

If the second de Rham cohomology were not trivial,  $H_{dR}^2(Q) \neq 0$ , there is no global potential  $\mathbf{A}$  and a local Lagrangian formalism is needed. This can be done enlarging the configuration space  $Q$  to the total space  $\mathcal{P}$  of a principal  $U(1)$  bundle over  $Q$  with a connection, given locally by  $\mathbf{A}$  [19]. This can be avoided using a global Hamiltonian formalism [20] in the cotangent bundle  $T^*(Q)$  using a modified symplectic two-form:

$$\omega = \omega_0 - e \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i - \frac{1}{2} e F_{ij}(q) \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}q^j, \quad (\text{II.5})$$

and a "charge-free" Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}_0(p, q) = \frac{1}{2m} \delta^{kl} p_k p_l + \mathcal{V}(q).$$

The Hamiltonian vector fields corresponding to an observable  $f(q, p)$  are now defined relative to  $\omega$  as  $\iota_{\mathbf{X}_f} \omega = \mathbf{d}f$  and given by:

$$\mathbf{X}_f^{\mathbf{F}} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} - \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_k} e F_{ki}(q) \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}.$$

With the Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_0$ , the dynamics are again given by the Laplace equation (II.1) in the form:

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}q^i}{\mathbf{d}t} = \frac{\delta^{ij}}{m} p_j; \quad \frac{\mathbf{d}p_i}{\mathbf{d}t} = -\delta^{ki} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i} + \frac{e}{m} p_j F_{ji}(q) \right). \quad (\text{II.6})$$

The Poisson brackets, relative to the symplectic structure II.5, are:

$$\{f, g\} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q^i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_k} e F_{kl}(q) \frac{\partial g}{\partial p_l}. \quad (\text{II.7})$$

In particular, the coordinates themselves have Poisson brackets:

$$\begin{aligned} \{q^i, q^j\} &= 0, \quad \{q^i, p_l\} = \delta_l^i, \\ \{p_k, q^j\} &= -\delta_k^j, \quad \{p_k, p_l\} = e F_{kl}(q). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{II.8})$$

Obviously, the meaning of the  $\{q, p\}$  variables in (II.3) and (II.5) are different. However both formalisms  $(\omega_0, \mathcal{H}_A)$  and  $(\omega, \mathcal{H}_0)$  lead to the same equations of motion and thus, they must be equivalent. Indeed, in each open set  $U$  homeomorphic to  $\mathbf{R}^6$ , the vanishing  $\mathbf{dF} = 0$  implies the existence of  $\mathbf{A}$  such that  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{dA}$  in  $U$  and, locally:

$$\omega = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i - \frac{1}{2} e F_{ij} \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}q^j = -\mathbf{d}[(p_i + e A_i) \mathbf{d}q^i].$$

Thus there exist local Darboux coordinates:

$$\xi^i = q^i, \quad \pi_k = p_k + e A_k(q), \quad (\text{II.9})$$

such that  $\omega = \mathbf{d}\xi^i \wedge \mathbf{d}\pi_i$ , which is the form (II.3).

The dynamics defined by the Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_0(q, p) = p^2/2m + \mathcal{V}(q)$ , with symplectic two-form  $\omega$ , is equivalent to the dynamics defined by the Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_A(\xi, \pi) = (\pi - e A(\xi))^2/2m + \mathcal{V}(\xi)$  and canonical symplectic structure  $\omega = \mathbf{d}\xi^i \wedge \mathbf{d}\pi_i$ . Equivalence is trivial since both symplectic two-forms are equal, but expressed in different coordinates  $\{q, p\}$  and  $\{\xi, \pi\}$ , related by (II.9). It seems worthwhile to note that a gauge transformation  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{grad}\phi$  corresponds to a change of Darboux coordinates

$$\{\xi^i, \pi_k\} \Rightarrow \{\xi^{i'}, \pi'_k\} = \{\xi^i, \pi'_k + e \partial_k \phi\},$$

i.e. a symplectic transformation.

### III. NONCOMMUTATIVE COORDINATES

Let us consider an affine configuration space  $Q = \mathbf{A}^N$  so that points of phase space, identified with  $\mathcal{M} \doteq \mathbf{R}^{2N} = \mathbf{R}_q^N \times \mathbf{R}_p^N$ , may be given by linear coordinates  $(q, p)$ . Together with the (usual) magnetic field  $\mathbf{F}$ , we may introduce a (dual) magnetic field  $\mathbf{G} = 1/2 G^{kl}(p) \mathbf{d}p_k \wedge \mathbf{d}p_l$ , a closed two-form,  $\mathbf{dG} = 0$ , in  $\mathbf{R}_p^N$  space. Let  $e$  be the usual electric charge and  $r$ , a dual charge, which couples the particle with  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$ . Consider the closed two-form:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= \omega_0 - e\mathbf{F} + r\mathbf{G} \\ &= \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i - \frac{1}{2} e F_{ij}(q) \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}q^j + \frac{1}{2} r G^{kl}(p) \mathbf{d}p_k \wedge \mathbf{d}p_l. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.1})$$

In matrix notation this two-form (III.1) is represented as:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega) &= \begin{pmatrix} -e\mathbf{F} & \mathbf{1} \\ -\mathbf{1} & +r\mathbf{G} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & +r\mathbf{G} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Psi & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ -e\mathbf{F} & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e\mathbf{F} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \Phi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & -r\mathbf{G} \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.2})$$

where [21]  $\Phi = (\mathbf{1} - e\mathbf{F}r\mathbf{G})$ ;  $\Psi = (\mathbf{1} - r\mathbf{G}e\mathbf{F})$ .

The fundamental Hamiltonian equation  $\iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega = \mathbf{d}f$ , in (A.1), reads:

$$(X^i - r G^{ij} X_j) \mathbf{d}p_i - (X_k - e F_{kl} X^l) \mathbf{d}q^k = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k} \mathbf{d}q^k + \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \mathbf{d}p_i. \quad (\text{III.3})$$

This can be rewritten as

$$\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} - r G^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^j} \right) = \Psi^i_j X^j; \quad \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k} - e F_{kl} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_l} \right) = -\Phi_k^l X_l. \quad (\text{III.4})$$

Obviously, from (III.2) or (III.4), the closed two-form  $\omega$  will be non degenerate, and hence symplectic, if  $\det(\Omega) = \det(\Psi) = \det(\Phi) \neq 0$ , so that  $(\Omega)$  has an inverse:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega)^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ +e\mathbf{F} & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Psi^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -r\mathbf{G} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} +\Psi^{-1} r\mathbf{G} & -\Psi^{-1} \\ +e\mathbf{F}\Psi^{-1} r\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{1} & -e\mathbf{F}\Psi^{-1} \end{pmatrix}; \quad (\text{III.5}) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & +r\mathbf{G} \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \Phi^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & -e\mathbf{F} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} +r\mathbf{G}\Phi^{-1} & -r\mathbf{G}\Phi^{-1}e\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{1} \\ \Phi^{-1} & -\Phi^{-1}e\mathbf{F} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.6})$$

Explicitly:

$$\omega^\flat : \mathbf{d}f \rightarrow \begin{cases} (X_f)^i = (\Psi^{-1})^i_j (\partial f / \partial p_j - r G^{jk} \partial f / \partial q^k) \\ (X_f)_k = -(\Phi^{-1})_k^l (\partial f / \partial q^l - e F_{lj} \partial f / \partial p_j) \end{cases} \quad (\text{III.7})$$

The corresponding Poisson brackets are given by:

$$\{f, g\} = \omega(\mathbf{X}_f, \mathbf{X}_g) = (\partial_q f \partial_p g) (\Lambda) \begin{pmatrix} \partial_q g \\ \partial_p g \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{III.8})$$

with the matrix

$$(\Lambda) = -(\Omega)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -(\Psi^{-1} r \mathbf{G} = r \mathbf{G} \Phi^{-1}) & +\Psi^{-1} \\ -\Phi^{-1} & +(\Phi^{-1} e \mathbf{F} = e \mathbf{F} \Psi^{-1}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (\text{III.9})$$

Explicitely:

$$\begin{aligned} \{f, g\} &= -\frac{\partial f}{\partial q}(\Psi^{-1} r \mathbf{G}) \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}(\Phi^{-1}) \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial f}{\partial q}(\Psi^{-1}) \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}(\Phi^{-1} e \mathbf{F}) \frac{\partial g}{\partial p}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.10})$$

In particular, for the coordinates  $(q^i, p_k)$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \{q^i, q^j\} &= -(\Psi^{-1})^i_k r \mathbf{G}^{kj} = -r \mathbf{G}^{ik} (\Phi^{-1})^j_k, \\ \{q^i, p_l\} &= (\Psi^{-1})^i_l, \\ \{p_k, q^j\} &= -(\Phi^{-1})^j_k, \\ \{p_k, p_l\} &= (\Phi^{-1})^j_k e F_{jl} = e F_{kj} (\Psi^{-1})^j_l. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.11})$$

With  $\mathcal{H}(q, p) = (\delta^{kl} p_k p_l / 2m) + \mathcal{V}(q)$ , the equations of motion read:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dq^i}{dt} &= \{q^i, \mathcal{H}\} = (\Psi^{-1})^i_j \left( -r \mathbf{G}^{jk} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q^k} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_j} \right), \\ &= (\Psi^{-1})^i_j \left( -r \mathbf{G}^{jk} \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^k} + \frac{p^j}{m} \right), \\ \frac{dp_k}{dt} &= \{p_k, \mathcal{H}\} = (\Phi^{-1})^l_k \left( -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q^l} + e F_{lj} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_j} \right) \\ &= (\Phi^{-1})^l_k \left( -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^l} + e F_{lj} \frac{p^j}{m} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{III.12})$$

The celebrated Darboux theorem guarantees the existence of local coordinates  $(\xi^i, \pi_k)$ , such that  $\omega = \mathbf{d}\xi^i \wedge \mathbf{d}\pi_i$ . When one of the charges  $(e, r)$  vanishes, such Darboux coordinates are easily obtained using the potential one-forms  $\mathbf{A} = A_i(q) \mathbf{d}q^i$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{A}^k(p) \mathbf{d}p_k$ , such that  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{d}\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{d}\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ . Indeed, if  $r = 0$ , as in section II, Darboux coordinates are provided by  $\xi^i = q^i$ ;  $\pi_k = p_k + e A_k(q)$ . A modified symplectic potential and two-form are defined by:

$$\theta = (p_k + e A_k) \mathbf{d}q^k; \quad \omega = -\mathbf{d}\theta. \quad (\text{III.13})$$

The Hamiltonian and corresponding equations of motion are:

$$\mathcal{H}(\xi, \pi) = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{kl} (\pi_k - e A_k(\xi)) (\pi_l - e A_l(\xi)) + \mathcal{V}(\xi), \quad (\text{III.14})$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}\xi^i}{\mathbf{d}t} = \delta^{ij} (\pi_j - e A_j(\xi)), \quad \frac{\mathbf{d}\pi_i}{\mathbf{d}t} = e \delta^{kl} (\pi_k - e A_k) \frac{\partial A_l}{\partial \xi^i} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial \xi^i}, \quad (\text{III.15})$$

which yields the second order equation in  $\xi$ , as in (II.1):

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}^2 \xi^i}{\mathbf{d}t^2} = \delta^{ij} \left( -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}(\xi)}{\partial \xi^j} + e F_{jl}(\xi) \frac{\mathbf{d}\xi^l}{\mathbf{d}t} \right). \quad (\text{III.16})$$

When  $e = 0$ , Darboux variables are

$$\xi^i = q^i + r \tilde{A}^i(p); \quad \pi_k = p_k, \quad (\text{III.17})$$

and we define

$$\theta = p_k \mathbf{d}(q^k + r \tilde{A}^k); \quad \omega = -\mathbf{d}\theta. \quad (\text{III.18})$$

The Hamiltonian and equations of motion are now given by:

$$\mathcal{H}(\xi, \pi) = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{kl} \pi_k \pi_l + \mathcal{V}(\xi - r \tilde{A}(\pi)), \quad (\text{III.19})$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}\xi^i}{\mathbf{d}t} = \delta^{ij} \pi_j - r \partial_k \mathcal{V}(q) \frac{\partial \tilde{A}^k}{\partial \pi_i}, \quad \frac{\mathbf{d}\pi_i}{\mathbf{d}t} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial q^i}(q). \quad (\text{III.20})$$

The second order equation, obeyed by  $\pi$  (!), is given by

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}^2 \pi_i}{\mathbf{d}t^2} = \partial_{ij}^2 \mathcal{V}(q) \left( -\delta^{jk} \pi_k + r \mathbf{G}^{jk}(\pi) \frac{\mathbf{d}\pi_l}{\mathbf{d}t} \right). \quad (\text{III.21})$$

Here the  $q$ -variable is assumed to be solved in terms of  $\pi$  from equation  $\pi_k = -\partial \mathcal{V}(q) / \partial q^k$  and this is possible if  $\mathbf{det}(\partial_{ij}^2 \mathcal{V}(q)) \neq 0$  !

In the case of nonzero charges  $(e, r)$  and non-constant  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  fields, there is no generic formula to define global Darboux coordinates  $(\xi^i, \pi_k)$ . However, if the fields  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  are constant, the Poisson matrix (III.2) is brought in canonical Darboux form by a linear symplectic orthogonalization procedure, à la Hilbert-Schmidt. In the next section this is done explicitly for  $N = 2$  and  $N = 3$ . Obviously such a linear transformation:  $(q^i, p_k) \Rightarrow (\xi^i, \pi_k)$  is defined up to a linear symplectic map of  $\mathbf{Sp}(2n)$ . These variables  $(\xi^i, \pi_k) \in \mathbf{R}^{2n}$  can be canonically quantised as operators obeying the commutation relations

$$[\hat{\xi}^i, \hat{\xi}^j] = 0; \quad [\hat{\xi}^i, \hat{\pi}_l] = i \hbar \delta^i_l; \quad [\hat{\pi}_k, \hat{\pi}_l] = 0. \quad (\text{III.22})$$

As von Neumann taught us in [1], they are realised on the Hilbert space of square integrable functions of the variable  $\xi$  as

$$(\hat{\xi}^i \Psi)(\xi) = \xi^i \Psi(\xi); \quad (\hat{\pi}_k \Psi)(\xi) = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \Psi(\xi)}{\partial \xi^k}. \quad (\text{III.23})$$

The original variables  $(q^i, p_k)$  being linear functions of the  $(\xi^i, \pi_k)$  are then also quantised.

When  $\mathbf{det}(\Psi) = \mathbf{det}(\Phi) = 0$ , the closed two-form  $\omega$  is singular. When its rank is constant,  $\omega$  defines a presymplectic structure on phase space which we call the primary constraint manifold denoted by  $\mathcal{M}_1$ . The consistency of the resulting constrained Hamiltonian system will be examined in the  $N = 2$  and  $N = 3$  cases.

#### IV. EXAMPLES: $N = 2$ AND 3

In the two examples below, we consider a classical Hamiltonian of the form

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2m} \delta^{kl} p_k p_l + \mathcal{V}(q). \quad (\text{IV.1})$$

A complete resolution will be given for a harmonic oscillator potential:

$$\mathcal{V}(q) \doteq \frac{\kappa}{2} \delta_{ij} q^i q^j. \quad (\text{IV.2})$$

Also of interest is the case of a constant "electric field":  $\mathcal{V}(q) = -\mathbf{E}_k q^k$ , which is exactly solvable and left to the reader.

##### A. Dynamics in the noncommutative plane

The magnetic fields in two dimensions, are written as:

$$e F_{ij} = B \varepsilon_{ij}; \quad r G^{kl} = C \varepsilon^{kl}, \quad (\text{IV.3})$$

where  $B$  and  $C$  are pseudoscalars. The closed two-form (III.1) becomes

$$\omega = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i - B \mathbf{d}q^1 \wedge \mathbf{d}q^2 + C \mathbf{d}p_1 \wedge \mathbf{d}p_2. \quad (\text{IV.4})$$

The equation  $\iota_X \omega = \mathbf{d}f$  reads

$$X^i - C \varepsilon^{ij} X_j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i}; \quad X_k - B \varepsilon_{kl} X^l = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k}. \quad (\text{IV.5})$$

Denoting  $\chi \doteq (1 + CB)$ , the matrices  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are written as  $\Phi_i^j = \chi \delta_i^j$  and  $\Psi_k^l = \chi \delta_k^l$ . The matrix (III.2) is then invertible if  $\chi$  does not vanish.

##### 1. The non degenerate case

Here, we will assume  $\chi$  to be strictly positive. The above equation (IV.5) can then be inverted with Hamiltonian vector fields given by:

$$X^i = \chi^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} - C \varepsilon^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^j} \right), \quad X_k = -\chi^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k} - B \varepsilon_{kl} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^l} \right). \quad (\text{IV.6})$$

The Poisson brackets (III.11) become:

$$\begin{aligned} \{q^i, q^j\} &= -C \chi^{-1} \varepsilon^{ij}; \quad \{q^i, p_l\} = \chi^{-1} \delta_l^i, \\ \{p_k, q^j\} &= -\chi^{-1} \delta_k^j; \quad \{p_k, p_l\} = B \chi^{-1} \varepsilon_{kl}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.7})$$

Substitution of the Ansatz

$$\xi^i = \alpha q^i + \beta \frac{C}{2} p_k \varepsilon^{ki}; \quad \pi_k = \gamma \frac{B}{2} q^j \varepsilon_{jk} + \delta p_k, \quad (\text{IV.8})$$

in the canonical Poisson brackets, leads to the equations

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 - \alpha\beta - \frac{CB}{4} \beta^2 &= 0, \quad \delta^2 - \delta\gamma - \frac{CB}{4} \gamma^2 = 0, \\ \alpha\delta + \frac{CB}{2} (\alpha\gamma + \delta\beta) - \frac{CB}{4} \beta\gamma &= \chi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.9})$$

We choose the solution:

$$\alpha = \delta = \sqrt{u}; \quad \beta = \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}}; \quad u = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{\chi}), \quad (\text{IV.10})$$

such that (IV.8) reduces to (II.9) when  $C = 0$  or to (III.17) in case  $B = 0$ . The 2-form (III.1) has the canonical Darboux form  $\omega = d\xi^i \wedge d\pi_i$  in the variables

$$\xi^i = \sqrt{u} \left( q^i - \frac{C}{2u} \varepsilon^{ik} p_k \right); \quad \pi_k = \sqrt{u} \left( p_k - \frac{B}{2u} \varepsilon_{ki} q^i \right). \quad (\text{IV.11})$$

These have an inverse if, and only if  $\chi \neq 0$ :

$$\sqrt{\chi} q^i = \sqrt{u} \left( \xi^i + \frac{C}{2u} \varepsilon^{ik} \pi_k \right); \quad \sqrt{\chi} p_k = \sqrt{u} \left( \pi_k + \frac{B}{2u} \varepsilon_{ki} \xi^i \right). \quad (\text{IV.12})$$

With the complex variables

$$q = q^1 + \mathbf{i} q^2, \quad p = p_1 + \mathbf{i} p_2; \quad \xi = \xi^1 + \mathbf{i} \xi^2, \quad \pi = \pi_1 + \mathbf{i} \pi_2, \quad (\text{IV.13})$$

the above changes of variables are written as:

$$\xi = \sqrt{u} \left( q + \mathbf{i} \frac{C}{2u} p \right); \quad \pi = \sqrt{u} \left( p + \mathbf{i} \frac{B}{2u} q \right). \quad (\text{IV.14})$$

The inverse transformations are:

$$q = \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( \xi - \mathbf{i} \frac{C}{2u} \pi \right); \quad p = \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( \pi - \mathbf{i} \frac{B}{2u} \xi \right). \quad (\text{IV.15})$$

The Hamiltonian (IV.2) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \frac{1}{2m'} \delta^{kl} \pi_k \pi_l + \frac{\kappa'}{2} \delta_{ij} \xi^i \xi^j - \omega'_L \Lambda \\ &= \frac{1}{2m'} \frac{\pi^\dagger \pi + \pi \pi^\dagger}{2} + \frac{\kappa'}{2} \frac{\xi^\dagger \xi + \xi \xi^\dagger}{2} - \omega'_L \Lambda \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.16})$$

where  $\Lambda$  is angular momentum

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon_{ij} \xi^i \delta^{jk} \pi_k - \varepsilon^{kl} \pi_k \delta_{lj} \xi^j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( (\xi^1 \pi_2 - \xi^2 \pi_1) - (\pi_1 \xi^2 + \pi_2 \xi^1) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\mathbf{i}} \left( (\xi^\dagger \pi - \xi \pi^\dagger) - (\pi^\dagger \xi + \pi \xi^\dagger) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.17})$$

The "renormalised" mass and elasticity constant are given by:

$$\frac{1}{m'} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{u}{\chi} \left( 1 + \frac{c^2}{4u^2} \right); \quad \kappa' = \kappa \frac{u}{\chi} \left( 1 + \frac{b^2}{4u^2} \right). \quad (\text{IV.18})$$

where

$$b = \frac{B}{\sqrt{m\kappa}}; \quad c = C\sqrt{m\kappa}. \quad (\text{IV.19})$$

The corresponding frequency  $\omega'_0 = \sqrt{\kappa'/m'}$  is given in terms of the "bare" frequency  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\kappa/m}$  by:

$$\omega'_0 = \frac{\omega_0}{2\chi} \left( (b-c)^2 + 4\chi \right)^{1/2}. \quad (\text{IV.20})$$

and  $\omega'_L$ , the induced Larmor frequency, by:

$$\omega'_L = \frac{\omega_0}{2\chi} (b - c). \quad (\text{IV.21})$$

The solution of Hamiltonian's equations with (IV.16) is standard. With[22]

$$m'\omega'_0 = \sqrt{m'\kappa'} = \sqrt{m\kappa} \left( \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{4u^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{c^2}{4u^2}\right)^{-1} \right)^{1/2} \quad (\text{IV.22})$$

reduced variables are introduced by:

$$Q \doteq (m'\omega'_0)^{1/2} \xi; \quad P \doteq (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \pi. \quad (\text{IV.23})$$

The original  $(q, p)$  are expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} q &= \sqrt{u/\chi} (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \left( Q - \mathbf{i} \frac{c'}{2u} P \right), \\ p &= \sqrt{u/\chi} (m'\omega'_0)^{+1/2} \left( P - \mathbf{i} \frac{b'}{2u} Q \right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.24})$$

where

$$c' = C(m'\omega'_0) = C\sqrt{m'\kappa'}, \quad b' = B/(m'\omega'_0) = B/\sqrt{m'\kappa'}. \quad (\text{IV.25})$$

The symplectic structure and the Poisson brackets are:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{d}Q^\dagger \wedge \mathbf{d}P + \mathbf{d}Q \wedge \mathbf{d}P^\dagger \right) \\ \{f, g\} &= 2 \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial Q} \frac{\partial g}{\partial P^\dagger} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial Q^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial P} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial P} \frac{\partial g}{\partial Q^\dagger} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial P^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial Q} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.26})$$

The fundamental nonzero Poisson bracket is

$$\{Q, P^\dagger\} = 2. \quad (\text{IV.27})$$

In these variables, the Hamiltonian (IV.16) reads:

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\omega'_0}{4} \left( (P^\dagger P + P P^\dagger) + (Q^\dagger Q + Q Q^\dagger) \right) - \omega'_L \Lambda, \quad (\text{IV.28})$$

where

$$\Lambda = \frac{1}{4\mathbf{i}} \left( (Q^\dagger P - Q P^\dagger) - (P Q^\dagger + P^\dagger Q) \right). \quad (\text{IV.29})$$

The corresponding equations of motion are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dQ}{dt} &= \{Q, \mathcal{H}\} = 2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial P^\dagger} = \omega'_0 P - \mathbf{i} \omega'_L Q \\ \frac{dP}{dt} &= \{P, \mathcal{H}\} = -2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial Q^\dagger} = -\omega'_0 Q - \mathbf{i} \omega'_L P \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.30})$$

With the shift variables

$$A_{(+)} = \frac{1}{2} (Q + \mathbf{i}P); \quad A_{(-)} = \frac{1}{2} (Q^\dagger + \mathbf{i}P^\dagger), \quad (\text{IV.31})$$

the symplectic structure and the Poisson brackets are given by:

$$\omega = -\mathbf{i} \left( \mathbf{d}A_{(+)}^\dagger \wedge \mathbf{d}A_{(+)} + \mathbf{d}A_{(-)}^\dagger \wedge \mathbf{d}A_{(-)} \right), \quad (\text{IV.32})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{f, g\} &= -\mathbf{i} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{(+)}^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial A_{(+)}^\dagger} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{(-)}^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial A_{(-)}^\dagger} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{(+)}^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial A_{(+)}^\dagger} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{(-)}^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial A_{(-)}^\dagger} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.33})$$

with fundamental nonzero brackets:

$$\{A_{(\pm)}, A_{(\pm)}^\dagger\} = -\mathbf{i}. \quad (\text{IV.34})$$

The Hamiltonian, with the (positive !) frequencies

$$\omega_{(\pm)} = (\omega'_0 \pm \omega'_L), \quad (\text{IV.35})$$

reads now:

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\omega_{(+)}}{2} \left( A_{(+)}^\dagger A_{(+)} + A_{(+)} A_{(+)}^\dagger \right) + \frac{\omega_{(-)}}{2} \left( A_{(-)}^\dagger A_{(-)} + A_{(-)} A_{(-)}^\dagger \right). \quad (\text{IV.36})$$

The corresponding equations of motion and their solutions are given by:

$$\frac{dA_{(\pm)}}{dt} = \{A_{(\pm)}, \mathcal{H}\} = -\mathbf{i} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial A_{(\pm)}^\dagger} = -\mathbf{i} \omega_{(\pm)} A_{(\pm)}; \quad (\text{IV.37})$$

$$A_{(\pm)}(t) = \exp \{ -\mathbf{i} \omega_{(\pm)} t \} A_{(\pm)}(0). \quad (\text{IV.38})$$

The relations between variables are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{(+)} &= \frac{1}{2}(Q + \mathbf{i}P) \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{2} \left( (m'\omega'_0)^{+1/2} \left(1 - \frac{b'}{2u}\right) q + \mathbf{i} (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{c'}{2u}\right) p \right) \\
 A_{(-)}^\dagger &= \frac{1}{2}(Q - \mathbf{i}P) \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{2} \left( (m'\omega'_0)^{+1/2} \left(1 + \frac{b'}{2u}\right) q - \mathbf{i} (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \left(1 - \frac{c'}{2u}\right) p \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{IV.39}$$

The inverse transformations are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 q &= (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( Q - \mathbf{i} \frac{c'}{2u} P \right), \\
 &= (m'\omega'_0)^{-1/2} \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( \left(1 - \frac{c'}{2u}\right) A_{(+)} + \left(1 + \frac{c'}{2u}\right) A_{(-)}^\dagger \right), \\
 p &= (m'\omega'_0)^{+1/2} \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( P - \mathbf{i} \frac{b'}{2u} Q \right) \\
 &= \mathbf{i} (m'\omega'_0)^{+1/2} \sqrt{u/\chi} \left( \left(1 - \frac{b'}{2u}\right) A_{(-)}^\dagger - \left(1 + \frac{b'}{2u}\right) A_{(+)} \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{IV.40}$$

Quantisation is trivial though the substitution of the fundamental Poisson brackets (IV.27), (IV.34) by operator commutators

$$[Q, P^\dagger] = 2\mathbf{i}\hbar; [A_{(\pm)}, A_{(\pm)}^\dagger] = \hbar. \tag{IV.41}$$

Having kept the initial ordering, the quantum Hamiltonian has eigenvalues:

$$E(n_{(+)}, n_{(-)}) = \hbar\omega_{(+)}(n_{(+)} + 1/2) + \hbar\omega_{(-)}(n_{(-)} + 1/2), \tag{IV.42}$$

where  $n_{(\pm)}$  are nonnegative integers. The corresponding eigenvectors are denoted by  $|n_{(+)}, n_{(-)}\rangle$ .

## 2. The degenerate or constraint case

The condition  $\chi \doteq (1 + BC) = 0$  determines  $\omega$  as a presymplectic structure on  $\mathcal{M}$  and shall be called the primary constraint. Again, the notation is simplified using complex variables [23]. The presymplectic two-form reads

$$\begin{aligned}
 \omega &= \frac{1}{2} (dq^\dagger \wedge dp + dq \wedge dp^\dagger) \\
 &\quad - \frac{B}{4\mathbf{i}} (dq^\dagger \wedge dq - dq \wedge dq^\dagger) + \frac{C}{4\mathbf{i}} (dp^\dagger \wedge dp - dp \wedge dp^\dagger).
 \end{aligned} \tag{IV.43}$$

The Hamiltonian (IV.2) becomes

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2m} \frac{p^\dagger p + p p^\dagger}{2} + \frac{\kappa}{2} \frac{q^\dagger q + q q^\dagger}{2}, \tag{IV.44}$$

Writing a vector field as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{X} &= X^i \partial/\partial q^i + X_k \partial/\partial p_k = U \partial/\partial q + U^\dagger \partial/\partial q^\dagger + V \partial/\partial p + V^\dagger \partial/\partial p^\dagger, \\
 \iota_X \omega &= \frac{1}{2} \left( (U + \mathbf{i}CV) dq^\dagger + (U^\dagger - \mathbf{i}CV^\dagger) dq \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - (V + \mathbf{i}BU) dp^\dagger - (V^\dagger - \mathbf{i}BU^\dagger) dp \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{IV.45}$$

The homogeneous equation,  $\iota_X \omega = 0$  has nontrivial solutions. Indeed, with  $U_0 = Z^1 + \mathbf{i}Z^2$  and  $V_0 = Z_1 + \mathbf{i}Z_2$ , equation

(IV.45) yields the system:

$$U_0 + \mathbf{i}CV_0 = 0; \text{ or } V_0 + \mathbf{i}BU_0 = 0, \tag{IV.46}$$



of which the determinant is  $\chi = 1 + BC = 0$ . The inhomogeneous equation  $\iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega = \mathbf{d}\mathcal{H}$ , i.e. the Hamiltonian dynamics, reads

$$U + \mathbf{i}C V = 2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p^\dagger} = \frac{p}{m}; V + \mathbf{i}B U = -2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q^\dagger} = \kappa q. \quad (\text{IV.47})$$

It will have a solution if

$$\langle \mathbf{d}\mathcal{H} | \mathbf{Z} \rangle = 0. \quad (\text{IV.48})$$

This condition, termed secondary constraint, is explicitly given by:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p} - \mathbf{i}C \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q} = 0; \text{ or } \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q} - \mathbf{i}B \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p} = 0. \quad (\text{IV.49})$$

For the Hamiltonian (IV.44) this condition (IV.49) is linear:

$$\frac{1}{m} p + \mathbf{i}C \kappa q = 0; \text{ or } \kappa q + \mathbf{i}B \frac{1}{m} p = 0. \quad (\text{IV.50})$$

and defines the secondary constraint manifold  $\mathcal{M}_2$ . On  $\mathcal{M}_2$ , a particular solution of  $\iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega = \mathbf{d}\mathcal{H}$  is given by:

$$U_P = \frac{p}{m}; V_P = 0. \quad (\text{IV.51})$$

The general solution is given by:

$$U = \frac{p}{m} + U_0; V = V_0. \quad (\text{IV.52})$$

where  $(U_0, V_0)$  is restricted to obey (IV.46). This vector field, restricted to  $\mathcal{M}_2$ , should conserve the constraints i.e. must be tangent to  $\mathcal{M}_2$ :

$$0 = \langle \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{d}p + \mathbf{i}C \kappa \mathbf{d}q | X \rangle, \quad (\text{IV.53})$$

The vector fields  $U$  and  $V$  are completely defined on  $\mathcal{M}_2$ , with ensuing equations of motion:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dq}{dt} &= U = -\mathbf{i} \frac{\sqrt{m\kappa}C}{1+m\kappa C^2} \omega_0 q = \frac{1}{1+m\kappa C^2} \frac{p}{m}, \\ \frac{dp}{dt} &= V = -\mathbf{i} \frac{\sqrt{m\kappa}C}{1+m\kappa C^2} \omega_0 p = -\frac{m\kappa C^2}{1+m\kappa C^2} \kappa q. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.54})$$

In terms of the frequency:

$$\omega_r = -\frac{\sqrt{m\kappa}C}{1+m\kappa C^2} \omega_0 = \frac{B/\sqrt{m\kappa}}{1+B^2/m\kappa} \omega_0, \quad (\text{IV.55})$$

the solution is given by

$$q(t) = \exp\{\mathbf{i}\omega_r t\} q_0; p(t) = \exp\{\mathbf{i}\omega_r t\} p_0. \quad (\text{IV.56})$$

Obviously, if  $q_0$  and  $p_0$  obey the secondary constraints (IV.50),  $q(t)$  and  $p(t)$  obey them at all times.

The same result can be obtained by symplectic reduction, restricting the pre-symplectic two-form (IV.43) to  $\mathcal{M}_2$ :

$$\omega|_{\mathcal{M}_2} = -\mathbf{i} \frac{(1+m\kappa C^2)^2}{2C} dq^\dagger \wedge dq. \quad (\text{IV.57})$$

$$\{f, g\}_{\mathcal{M}_2} = \frac{2\mathbf{i}C}{(1+m\kappa C^2)^2} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^\dagger} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q^\dagger} \right). \quad (\text{IV.58})$$

The fundamental Poisson bracket is

$$\{q, q^\dagger\}_{\mathcal{M}_2} = \frac{-2\mathbf{i}C}{(1+m\kappa C^2)^2} \quad (\text{IV.59})$$

The dynamics are given by:

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = -\frac{2\mathbf{i}C}{(1+m\kappa C^2)^2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_r}{\partial q^\dagger}. \quad (\text{IV.60})$$

And, with the reduced Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_r$  given by

$$\mathcal{H}_r = (1+m\kappa C^2) \frac{\kappa}{2} q^\dagger q, \quad (\text{IV.61})$$

this yields equation (IV.56). When  $B > 0$ , hence  $C < 0$ , we define

$$a = \frac{(1+m\kappa C^2)}{|2C|} q^\dagger, \quad (\text{IV.62})$$

such that

$$\{a, a^\dagger\} = -\mathbf{i}; \mathcal{H}_r = \frac{\omega_r}{2} (a^\dagger a + a a^\dagger). \quad (\text{IV.63})$$

Quantisation is again trivial introducing operators  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger$ , obeying

$$[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger] = \hbar \quad (\text{IV.64})$$

such that the quantum Hamiltonian

$$\mathbf{H}_r = \frac{\omega_r}{2} (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}^\dagger). \quad (\text{IV.65})$$

has eigenvalues:

$$E(n) = \hbar \omega_r (n + 1/2). \quad (\text{IV.66})$$

3. The  $\chi \rightarrow 0$  limit of (IV A 1).

Also:

We need the expansion of

$$(m'\omega'_0) = (m\omega_0) \times \left( \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{4u^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{c^2}{4u^2}\right)^{-1} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (\text{IV.67})$$

in powers of  $\varepsilon = \sqrt{\chi}$ , where  $1 + bc = \varepsilon^2$  and  $2u = 1 + \varepsilon$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (m'\omega'_0) &= \frac{m\omega_0}{|c|} \left(1 + \frac{c^2-1}{c^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{|C|} \left(1 + \frac{c^2-1}{c^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right) \\ (m'\omega'_0)^{-1} &= \frac{(m\omega_0)^{-1}}{|b|} \left(1 + \frac{b^2-1}{b^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{|B|} \left(1 + \frac{b^2-1}{b^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.68})$$

Also, from (IV.25), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{c'}{2u} &= \frac{(m'\omega'_0)C}{2u} = \frac{C}{|C|} \left(1 - \frac{2}{c^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right) \\ \frac{b'}{2u} &= \frac{B}{(m'\omega'_0)2u} = \frac{B}{|B|} \left(1 - \frac{2}{b^2+1} \varepsilon + \dots\right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.69})$$

For definiteness, we assume in the following  $B > 0$  and so  $C < 0$  in the limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{b'}{2u} &= \frac{2}{1+b^2} \varepsilon + \dots; \\ 1 + \frac{b'}{2u} &= 2 - \frac{2}{1+b^2} \varepsilon + \dots \\ 1 + \frac{c'}{2u} &= \frac{2}{1+c^2} \varepsilon + \dots; \\ 1 - \frac{c'}{2u} &= 2 - \frac{2}{1+b^2} \varepsilon + \dots. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.70})$$

$$\omega'_0 = \frac{\omega_0}{2\varepsilon^2} (b-c) \left(1 + \frac{2\varepsilon^2}{(b-c)^2}\right), \quad \omega'_L = \frac{\omega_0}{2\varepsilon^2} (b-c), \quad (\text{IV.71})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{(+)} &= \omega'_0 + \omega'_L = -\omega_0 \frac{1 + (m\omega_0)^2 C^2}{(m\omega_0)C} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2}, \\ \omega_{(-)} &= \omega'_0 - \omega'_L = -\omega_0 \frac{(m\omega_0)C}{1 + (m\omega_0)^2 C^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.72})$$

One of the frequencies  $\omega_{(+)}$  diverges, while the other  $\omega_{(-)}$  tends to  $\omega_r$  defined in (IV.55). The relations in (IV.39) yield the initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{(+)}(0) &\approx \sqrt{\frac{|B|}{2}} (1+b^2)^{-1} \left( q_0 + \mathbf{i} \frac{B}{(m\omega_0)^2} p_0 \right) (\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2)) \\ A_{(-)}^\dagger(0) &\approx \sqrt{\frac{|B|}{2}} \left( q_0 - \mathbf{i} \frac{1}{|B|} p_0 \right) (1 + O(\varepsilon^2)). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.73})$$

The solutions (IV.40), in the  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  limit are then written as

$$\begin{aligned} q(t) &\approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{|B|}} \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} A_{(+)}(0) \exp\{-\mathbf{i}\omega_{(+)}t\} + \frac{1}{1+c^2} A_{(-)}^\dagger(0) \exp\{\mathbf{i}\omega_r t\} \right) \\ &\approx (1+b^2)^{-1} \left( q_0 + \mathbf{i} \frac{|B|}{(m\omega_0)^2} p_0 \right) \exp\{-\mathbf{i}\omega_{(+)}t\} \\ &\quad + (1+c^2)^{-1} (q_0 - \mathbf{i}|B|^{-1} p_0) \exp\{+\mathbf{i}\omega_r t\}; \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.74})$$

The first term is a fast oscillating function with diverging frequency and so averages to zero. Furthermore, if the initial conditions are on  $\mathcal{M}_2$ , i.e. if  $(q_0 + \mathbf{i}|B|p_0/(m\omega_0)^2) = 0$ , this first term behaves as  $O(\varepsilon) \exp\{\mathbf{i}v t/\varepsilon^2\}$  converging to zero. The second term is then reduced to the expression (IV.56) of

$q(t)$ . Similar considerations hold for  $p(t)$  in such a way that the solution stays on  $M_2$ .

### B. Noncommutative $\mathbf{R}^3$

In  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , the magnetic fields  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  are written in terms of pseudovectors  $\bar{\mathbf{B}} = \{B^k\}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{C}} = \{C_k\}$  as:

$$e F_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk} B^k ; r G^{ij} = \epsilon^{ijk} C_k . \quad (\text{IV.75})$$

The closed two-form (III.1) is written as:

$$\omega = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} B^k \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}q^j + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{klm} C_m \mathbf{d}p_k \wedge \mathbf{d}p_l . \quad (\text{IV.76})$$

The fundamental equation  $\iota_X \omega = \mathbf{d}f$  reads

$$X^i - C_k \epsilon^{ijk} X_j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} ; X_k - B^i \epsilon_{kli} X^l = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k} . \quad (\text{IV.77})$$

Defining  $\vartheta = \underline{\mathbf{C}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}} = C_k B^k$  and  $\chi = 1 + \vartheta$ , this is also written as

$$\begin{aligned} \chi X^i &= (\delta^i_j + B^i C_j) \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} - C_k \epsilon^{ijk} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^j} \\ \chi X_k &= - \left( (\delta_k^l + C_k B^l) \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^l} - B^i \epsilon_{kli} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.78})$$

The  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  read:

$$\Phi_i^j = \chi \delta_i^j - C_i B^j ; \Psi^k_l = \chi \delta^k_l - B^k C_l ,$$

with  $\det \Phi = \det \Psi = \chi^2$ . Assuming again  $\chi \neq 0$  [24], these matrices have inverses:

$$(\Phi^{-1})_i^j = \frac{1}{\chi} \left( \delta_i^j + C_i B^j \right) , (\Psi^{-1})^k_l = \frac{1}{\chi} \left( \delta^k_l + B^k C_l \right) .$$

The Hamiltonian vector fields are obtained from (IV.78):

$$\begin{aligned} X^i &= \chi^{-1} \left( (\delta^i_j + B^i C_j) \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} - C_k \epsilon^{ijk} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^k} \right) , \\ X_k &= -\chi^{-1} \left( (\delta_k^l + C_k B^l) \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^l} - B^i \epsilon_{kli} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.79})$$

The Poisson brackets are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \{q^i, q^j\} &= -\chi^{-1} \epsilon^{ijk} C_k , \quad \{q^i, p_l\} = \chi^{-1} (\delta^i_l + B^i C_l) , \\ \{p_k, q^j\} &= -\chi^{-1} (\delta_k^j + C_k B^j) , \quad \{p_k, p_l\} = \chi^{-1} \epsilon_{klm} B^m . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.80})$$

The Ansatz (IV.8) has to be generalised to

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^i &= \alpha q^i + \alpha' B^i (C_k q^k) - \beta \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} p_j C_k ; \\ \pi_k &= \alpha p_k + \alpha' (p_i B^i) C_k + \beta \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{klm} B^l q^m . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.81})$$

For  $\alpha, \beta$  similar equations as in (IV.9) are obtained:

$$\alpha^2 - \alpha\beta - \frac{\vartheta}{4} \beta^2 = 0 , \alpha^2 + \vartheta(\alpha\beta) - \frac{\vartheta}{4} \beta^2 = \chi , \quad (\text{IV.82})$$

with a the same solution ( $\chi$  assumed to be strictly positive):

$$\alpha = \sqrt{u} ; \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} ; u = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{\chi}) . \quad (\text{IV.83})$$

Furthermore, there is an additional equation for  $\alpha'$ :

$$\chi \left( \vartheta \alpha'^2 + 2\alpha\alpha' \right) + \left( \alpha^2 - \alpha\beta + \frac{1}{4} \beta^2 \right) = 0 . \quad (\text{IV.84})$$

Substituting (IV.83), one obtains

$$\vartheta \alpha'^2 + 2\sqrt{u} \alpha' + \frac{1}{4u} = 0 ,$$

with solution, remaining finite when  $\vartheta \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\alpha' = \sqrt{u} \gamma = \frac{(1 - \sqrt{u})}{\vartheta} . \quad (\text{IV.85})$$

The formulae (IV.81) are finally written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^i &= \sqrt{u} \left( q^i + \gamma B^i (C_k q^k) - \frac{1}{2u} \epsilon^{ijk} p_j C_k \right) ; \\ \pi_k &= \sqrt{u} \left( p_k + \gamma (p_i B^i) C_k + \frac{1}{2u} \epsilon_{klm} B^l q^m \right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.86})$$

In old fashioned vector notation, this appears as:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\xi} &= \sqrt{u} \left( \bar{\mathbf{q}} + \gamma \bar{\mathbf{B}} (\underline{\mathbf{C}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}}) - \frac{1}{2u} \underline{\mathbf{p}} \times \underline{\mathbf{C}} \right) ; \\ \underline{\pi} &= \sqrt{u} \left( \underline{\mathbf{p}} + \gamma (\underline{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}}) \underline{\mathbf{C}} + \frac{1}{2u} \bar{\mathbf{B}} \times \bar{\mathbf{q}} \right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.87})$$

The inverse formulae of (IV.86) are obtained as:

$$\begin{aligned} q^i &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \xi^i + \gamma' B^i (C_k \xi^k) + \frac{1}{2u} \epsilon^{ijk} \pi_j C_k \right) ; \\ p_k &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \pi_k + \gamma' C_k (\pi_l B^l) - \frac{1}{2u} \epsilon_{klm} B^l \xi^m \right) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.88})$$

Or, in vector notation:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{q}} &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \bar{\xi} + \gamma' \bar{\mathbf{B}} (\underline{\mathbf{C}} \cdot \bar{\xi}) + \frac{1}{2u} \underline{\pi} \times \underline{\mathbf{C}} \right) ; \\ \underline{\mathbf{p}} &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \underline{\pi} + \gamma' \underline{\mathbf{C}} (\underline{\pi} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}}) - \frac{1}{2u} \bar{\mathbf{B}} \times \bar{\xi} \right) , \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.89})$$

where

$$\gamma' = \frac{\sqrt{\chi} - \sqrt{u}}{\vartheta \sqrt{u}}. \quad (\text{IV.90})$$

Again, for sake of simplicity, we consider a configuration space which is Euclidean  $Q = \mathbf{E}^3$  with metric  $\langle \bar{\mathbf{v}}; \bar{\mathbf{w}} \rangle = \delta_{ij} v^i w^j = (\underline{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{w}})$  such that  $v_i = \delta_{ij} v^j$ . Substitution of (IV.88) in a Hamiltonian of the form (IV.2), leads to a Hamiltonian quadratic in  $(\xi, \pi)$  and to a system of linear evolution equations. In the case when  $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$  point in the same direction:

$$\underline{\mathbf{B}} = B \underline{\mathbf{e}}_Z; \underline{\mathbf{C}} = C \underline{\mathbf{e}}_Z, \quad (\text{IV.91})$$

a particularly simple Hamiltonian is obtained. Parallel coordinates are defined by  $\xi^3, \pi_3$  and transverse coordinate vectors

by  $\bar{\xi}_\perp = \bar{\xi} - \xi^3 \underline{\mathbf{e}}_Z$  and  $\bar{\pi}_\perp = \bar{\pi} - \pi_3 \underline{\mathbf{e}}_Z$ . Indeed, eq. (IV.88) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} q^1 &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \xi^1 + \frac{1}{2u} \pi_2 C \right), \quad p_1 = \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \pi_1 + \frac{1}{2u} \xi^2 B \right), \\ q^2 &= \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \xi^2 - \frac{1}{2u} \pi_1 C \right), \quad p_2 = \frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\chi}} \left( \pi_2 - \frac{1}{2u} B \xi^1 \right), \\ q^3 &= \xi^3, \quad p_3 = \pi_3. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.92})$$

The Hamiltonian is:

$$\mathcal{H}(\xi, \pi) = \left( \frac{1}{2m_\perp} (\bar{\pi}_\perp)^2 + \frac{k_\perp}{2} (\bar{\xi}_\perp)^2 \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2m} (\pi_3)^2 + \frac{k}{2} (\xi^3)^2 \right) + \mathcal{H}_{int}(\xi, \pi). \quad (\text{IV.93})$$

The transverse degrees of freedom are seen to have a renormalised[25] mass and elasticity constant which are given by the same expressions as in (IV.18):

$$\frac{1}{m_\perp} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{u}{\chi} \left( 1 + \frac{c^2}{4u^2} \right); \kappa_\perp = \kappa \frac{u}{\chi} \left( 1 + \frac{b^2}{4u^2} \right), \quad (\text{IV.94})$$

where

$$b = \frac{B}{\sqrt{m\kappa}}; c = C\sqrt{m\kappa}.$$

The fields  $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$  induce a sort of magnetic moment interaction along the  $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}$ -axis with the same Larmor frequency as before:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ind}(\xi, \pi) = -\omega'_L \Lambda_3, \quad (\text{IV.95})$$

where  $\Lambda_3 = \xi^1 \pi_2 - \xi^2 \pi_1$ . Actually, the condition (IV.91) reduces the  $(N=3)$  case to a sum  $(N=2) \oplus (N=1)$ . The three relevant frequencies of our oscillator are:

$$\omega_3 = \sqrt{k/m}; \omega_\perp = \sqrt{k_\perp/m_\perp}; \omega'_L = \frac{1}{\chi} \omega_0 (b - c). \quad (\text{IV.96})$$

The spectrum of the quantum Hamiltonian is easily obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} E(n_{(+)}, n_{(-)}, n_3) &= \hbar \omega_{(+)} (n_{(+)} + 1/2) + \\ &\hbar \omega_{(-)} (n_{(-)} + 1/2) + \hbar \omega_3 (n_3 + 1/2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.97})$$

where  $n_{(\pm)}, n_3$  are nonnegative integers. Corresponding eigenvectors are denoted by  $|n_{(+)}, n_{(-)}, n_3\rangle$ .

## V. SYMMETRIES

For Euclidean configuration space  $Q \equiv \mathbf{E}^N$ , with metric  $\delta_{ij}$ , an infinitesimal rotation is written as:

$$\phi: q^i \rightarrow q'^i = q^i + \frac{1}{2} \delta \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} (M_{\alpha\beta})^i_j q^j, \quad (\text{V.98})$$

where  $(M_{\alpha\beta})^i_j = \delta^i_\alpha \delta_{\beta j} - \delta^i_\beta \delta_{\alpha j}$  are the generators of the rotation group obeying the Lie algebra relations:

$$[M_{\alpha\beta}, M_{\mu\nu}] = -\delta_{\alpha\mu} M_{\beta\nu} + \delta_{\alpha\nu} M_{\beta\mu} - \delta_{\beta\mu} M_{\alpha\nu} + \delta_{\beta\nu} M_{\alpha\mu}. \quad (\text{V.99})$$

This induces the push forward in  $T^*(Q)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\phi}: T^*(Q) &\rightarrow T^*(Q): (q^i, p_k) \rightarrow (q'^i, p'_k), \\ q'^i &= q^i + \frac{1}{2} \delta \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} (M_{\alpha\beta})^i_j q^j; \\ p'_k &= p_k - \frac{1}{2} \delta \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} p_l (M_{\alpha\beta})^l_k. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{V.100})$$

In a basis[26]  $\{\mathbf{e}_{\alpha\beta}\}$  of  $\mathcal{L}(SO(N))$ , let  $\mathbf{u} = (1/2) \mathbf{e}_{\alpha\beta} u^{\alpha\beta}$  denote a generic element. With  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u}) = \exp\{\frac{1}{2} u^{\alpha\beta} M_{\alpha\beta}\}$ , finite rotations are written as

$$q^i \rightarrow q'^i = \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u})^i_j q^j; p_k \rightarrow p'_k = p_l \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{u})^l_k. \quad (\text{V.101})$$

The vector field  $\mathbf{X}_\mathbf{u}$  (see appendix A) is given by its components:

$$(X_\mathbf{u})^i = \frac{1}{2} u^{\alpha\beta} (M_{\alpha\beta})^i_j q^j; (X_\mathbf{u})_k = -\frac{1}{2} u^{\alpha\beta} p_l (M_{\alpha\beta})^l_k. \quad (\text{V.102})$$

It conserves the canonical symplectic potential and two-form:

$$\mathcal{L}_{X_\mathbf{u}} \theta_0 = 0; \mathcal{L}_{X_\mathbf{u}} \omega_0 = 0.$$

The action is in fact Hamiltonian for the *canonical symplectic structure*. With the notation of appendix A, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_u &= \omega_0^\sharp(\mathbf{d}\Xi(\mathbf{u})), \\ \Xi(\mathbf{u}) &= \frac{1}{2} u^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0(q, p), \\ \mathcal{J}^0 : T^*(Q) &\rightarrow \mathcal{L}^*(SO(N)) : (q, p) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0(q, p) \mathbf{e}^{\alpha\beta}, \\ \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0(q, p) &= p_k (M_{\alpha\beta})^k_j q^j. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{V.103})$$

In terms of the momenta  $\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0$ , the rotation (V.98) reads

$$\delta q^i = \frac{1}{2} \delta \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \{q^i, \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0\}_0; \quad \delta p_k = \frac{1}{2} \delta \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \{p_k, \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0\}_0. \quad (\text{V.104})$$

The Lie algebra relations (V.99) become Poisson brackets:

$$\left\{ \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^0, \mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu}^0 \right\}_0 = -\delta_{\alpha\mu} \mathcal{J}_{\beta\nu}^0 + \delta_{\alpha\nu} \mathcal{J}_{\beta\mu}^0 - \delta_{\beta\nu} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\mu}^0 + \delta_{\beta\mu} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\nu}^0. \quad (\text{V.105})$$

Naturally, for the modified symplectic structure (III.1), the action (V.100) will be symplectic if, and only if, the magnetic fields obey:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{kl}(q) &= F_{ij}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u})q) (\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u}))^i_k (\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u}))^j_l, \\ G^{kl}(p) &= (\mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{u}))^k_i (\mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{u}))^l_j G^{ij}(p \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{u})). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{V.106})$$

For constant magnetic fields, this holds if  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u})$  belongs to the intersection of the isotropy groups of  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$ , which, in three dimensions, is not empty if both magnetic fields are along the same axis. A rotation along this "z-axis" is then symplectic. However, in general it will not be Hamiltonian and there will be no momentum  $\mathcal{J}_Z$  such that  $\delta q = \{q, \mathcal{J}_Z\}$ . Again the discussion simplifies when one of the charges  $r$  or  $e$  vanishes. If the potentials  $\mathbf{A}$  or  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$  are invariant under  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{u})$ , then the action is Hamiltonian[27] with momentum defined by the symplectic potentials (III.13) or (III.18) as

$$\langle \mathcal{J}(q, p) | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \langle \theta_{(e,0)} | X_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle \text{ or } \langle \theta_{(0,r)} | X_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle. \quad (\text{V.108})$$

Obviously there is always an  $SO(N)$  group action on the  $(\xi, \pi)$  coordinates which is Hamiltonian with respect to (III.1) and momentum given by:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}(\xi, \pi) = \pi_k (M_{\alpha\beta})^k_j \xi^j. \quad (\text{V.109})$$

However, the hamiltonian (IV.2), looking apparently  $SO(N)$  symmetric, is explicitly seen not to be so when expressed in the  $(\xi, \pi)$  variables.

## VI. FINAL COMMENTS

The symplectic structure in cotangent space,  $T^*(Q) \xrightarrow{\kappa} Q$ , was modified through the introduction of a closed two-form  $\mathbf{F}$  on  $T^*Q$ , which has the geometric meaning of the pull-back of the magnetic field  $F$ , a closed two-form on  $Q$ :  $\mathbf{F} = \kappa^*(F)$ . A first caveat warns us that the other closed two-form  $\mathbf{G}$  does not have such an intrinsic interpretation. Indeed, it is obvious that

a mere change of coordinates in  $Q$  will spoil the form (III.1) of  $\omega$ . This means that our approach must be restricted to configuration spaces with additional properties, which have to be conserved by coordinate changes. The most simple example is a flat linear[28] space  $Q = \mathbf{E}^N$ , when (III.1) is assumed to hold in linear coordinates. Obviously, a linear change in coordinates will then conserve this particular form. Although the restriction to constant fields  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$  is a severe limitation[29], it allowed us to find explicit Darboux coordinates (IV.8) when  $N = 2$  and (IV.81) when  $N = 3$ .

Finally, when  $\det\{\mathbf{1} - r\mathbf{G}e\mathbf{F}\} = 0$ , the closed two-form  $\omega$  is degenerate with constant rank and defines a pre-symplectic structure on  $T^*(Q)$ . Its null-foliation decomposes  $T^*(Q)$  in disjoint leaves and on the space of leaves,  $\omega$  projects to a unique symplectic two-form. In two dimensions, the representations of the corresponding quantum algebra in Hilbert space and its reduction in the degeneracy case were studied in [11–14, 18].

## APPENDIX A: ESSENTIAL SYMPLECTIC MECHANICS

Let  $\{\mathcal{M}, \omega\}$  be a symplectic manifold with symplectic structure defined by a two-form  $\omega$  which is closed,  $\mathbf{d}\omega = 0$ , and nondegenerate such that the induced mapping  $\omega^\flat : T(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow T^*(\mathcal{M}) : \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega$  has an inverse  $\omega^\sharp : T^*(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow T(\mathcal{M}) : \alpha \rightarrow \omega^\sharp(\alpha)$ . The paradigm of a (non-compact) symplectic manifold is a cotangent bundle  $T^*(Q)$  of a differential configuration space  $Q$ . In a coordinate system  $\{q^i\}$  of  $Q$ , a cotangent vector may be written as  $\alpha_q = p_i \mathbf{d}q^i$ . This defines coordinates  $z \Rightarrow \{q^i, p_k\}$  of points  $z \in \mathcal{M} \equiv T^*(Q)$  and an associated holonomic basis  $\{\mathbf{d}p_k, \mathbf{d}q^i\}$  of  $T_z^*(\mathcal{M})$ . The canonical one-form is defined as  $\theta_0 \doteq p_i \mathbf{d}q^i$ . Obviously, the exact two-form  $\omega_0 \doteq -\mathbf{d}\theta_0 = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i$  is symplectic. To each observable, which is a differentiable function  $f$  on  $\{\mathcal{M}, \omega\}$ , the symplectic structure associates a *Hamiltonian vector field*:

$$\mathbf{X}_f \doteq \omega^\sharp(\mathbf{d}f) \quad \text{or} \quad \iota_{\mathbf{X}_f}\omega = \mathbf{d}f. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Such a vector field generates a one-parameter (local) transformation group:  $\mathcal{T}_f(t) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M} : z_0 \rightarrow z(t)$ , solution of  $\mathbf{d}z(t)/\mathbf{d}t = \mathbf{X}_f(z(t))$ ,  $z(0) = z_0$ .

In particular, the Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}$  generates the dynamics of the associated mechanical system. With the usual interpretation of time,  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}}$  is assumed to be complete such that its flux is defined for all  $t \in [-\infty, +\infty]$ . Transformations, induced by an Hamiltonian vector field  $\mathbf{X}_f$ , conserve the symplectic structure[30]:

$$\mathcal{T}_f(t)^*\omega = \omega \text{ or, locally: } \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}_f}\omega = 0. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

More generally, the transformations conserving the symplectic structure form the group  $\text{Symp}(\mathcal{M})$  of *symplectomorphisms* or *canonical transformations*. Vector fields obeying  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}}\omega = 0$ , generate canonical transformations and are called *locally Hamiltonian*, since [31]  $\mathbf{d}\iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega = 0$  implies that, locally in some  $U \subset \mathcal{M}$ , there exists a function  $f$  such that  $\mathbf{d}f|_U = (\iota_{\mathbf{X}}\omega)|_U$ .

The *Darboux theorem* guarantees the existence of local charts  $U \subset \mathcal{M}$  with coordinates  $\{q^i, p_k\}$  such that, in each  $U$ ,  $\omega$  is written as:

$$\omega|_U = \mathbf{d}q^i \wedge \mathbf{d}p_i. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

In the natural basis  $\{\partial/\partial \mathbf{q}^i, \partial/\partial \mathbf{p}_k\}$  of  $T_z(\mathcal{M})$ , the Hamiltonian vector fields corresponding to  $f$  reads

$$\mathbf{X}_f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}.$$

The *Poisson bracket* of two observables is defined by:  $\{f, g\} \doteq \omega(\mathbf{X}_f, \mathbf{X}_g)$ , with the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} \{f_1, f_2\} &= -\{f_2, f_1\} \\ \{f_1, g_1 \cdot g_2\} &= \{f_1, g_1\} \cdot g_2 + g_1 \cdot \{f_1, g_2\} \\ \{f, \{g_1, g_2\}\} &= \{\{f, g_1\}, g_2\} + \{g_1, \{f, g_2\}\} \end{aligned}$$

These properties, relating the pointwise product  $g_1 \cdot g_2$  with the bracket  $\{f, g\}$ , are said to endow the set of differentiable functions on  $\mathcal{M}$  with the structure of a *Poisson algebra*  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M})$ . In a coordinate system  $(z^A)$ , where  $\omega = \frac{1}{2} \omega_{AB} \mathbf{d}z^A \wedge \mathbf{d}z^B$ , it is given by:

$$\{f, g\} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^A} \Lambda^{AB} \frac{\partial g}{\partial z^B}, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where  $\Lambda$  is minus  $\omega^{-1}$ . In Darboux coordinates it reads:

$$\{f, g\}_0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q^i}. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

The Poisson brackets of the Darboux coordinates themselves are:

$$\{q^i, q^j\}_0 = 0, \{q^i, p_l\}_0 = \delta^i_l, \{p_k, q^j\}_0 = -\delta_k^j, \{p_k, p_l\}_0 = 0. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

The dynamical evolution of an observable is given by:

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}f}{\mathbf{d}t} = \overrightarrow{\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}}}(f) = \iota_{\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}}} \mathbf{d}f = \iota_{\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}}} \iota_{\mathbf{X}_f} \omega = \omega(\mathbf{X}_f, \mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{H}}) = \{f, \mathcal{H}\}. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

A Lie group  $G$  acts as a symmetry group on a symplectic manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , if there is a group homomorphism  $\mathcal{T} : G \rightarrow \text{Symp}(\mathcal{M}) : g \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(g)$ . An infinitesimal action defined by a Lie algebra element  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{G}$  is given by the locally Hamiltonian vector field

$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}(z) = \frac{d}{dt} (\mathcal{T}(\exp(t\mathbf{u}))z)|_{t=0}. \quad (\text{A.8})$$

When each  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}$  is Hamiltonian, the group action is said to be *almost Hamiltonian* and  $\{\mathcal{M}, \omega\}$  is called a *symplectic G-space*. In such a case, a linear map  $\Xi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M}) : \mathbf{u} \rightarrow \Xi(\mathbf{u})$  can always be constructed such that  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}} = \omega^\sharp(\mathbf{d}\Xi(\mathbf{u}))$ . When there is a  $\Xi$  which is also a Lie algebra homomorphism:  $\Xi([\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]) = \{\Xi(\mathbf{u}), \Xi(\mathbf{v})\}$ , the group is said to have a *Hamiltonian action* and  $\{\mathcal{M}, \omega, \Xi\}$  is called a *Hamiltonian*

*G-space*. Since  $\Xi$  is linear in  $\mathcal{G}$ , it defines a *momentum mapping*  $\mathcal{J}$  from  $\mathcal{M}$  to the dual  $\mathcal{G}^*$  of the Lie algebra defined by:  $\langle \mathcal{J}(z) | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \Xi(\mathbf{u}, z)$ . When  $\mathcal{M}$  is a Hamiltonian  $G$ -space, the momentum mapping is equivariant under the action of  $G$  on  $\mathcal{M}$  and its co-adjoint action on  $\mathcal{G}^*$ .

In general there may be topological obstructions to such a Lie algebra homomorphism. However, when  $G$  acts on  $Q$ :  $\varphi : G \rightarrow \text{Diff}(Q) : g \rightarrow \varphi(g) : q \rightarrow q' = \varphi(g)q$ , the action is extended to a symplectic action in  $\{\mathcal{M} = T^*(Q), \omega_0\}$ :  $\tilde{\varphi} : G \rightarrow \text{Symp}(\mathcal{M}) : g \rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}(g) : (q, p) \rightarrow (q', p')$ , where  $p'$  is defined by  $p = (\varphi(g))_q^* p'$ . It follows that  $\tilde{\varphi}(g)^* \theta_0 = \theta_0$ ;  $\tilde{\varphi}(g)^* \omega_0 = \omega_0$ . The infinitesimal action is given by  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}(z) = (\mathbf{d}\tilde{\varphi}(\exp(t\mathbf{u}))z/dt)|_{t=0}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}} \theta_0 = 0$ ;  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}} \omega_0 = 0$ . From  $\omega_0^\flat(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}) = \mathbf{d}\langle \theta_0 | \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle$ , it follows that the action is almost Hamiltonian with  $\Xi(\mathbf{u}) = \langle \theta_0 | \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle$ . Moreover, since  $\langle \theta_0 | \mathbf{X}_{[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]} \rangle = \omega_0(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{v}}) = \{\Xi(\mathbf{u}), \Xi(\mathbf{v})\}$ , the action is Hamiltonian and  $\{T^*(Q), \omega_0, \Xi\}$  is a Hamiltonian  $G$ -space.

## APPENDIX B: PRESYMPLECTIC MECHANICS

A manifold  $\mathcal{M}_1$ , endowed with a closed but degenerate [32] 2-form  $\omega$ , with constant rank, is said to be presymplectic. The mapping  $\omega^\flat$  has a nonvanishing kernel, given by those nonzero vector fields  $\mathbf{X}_0$  obeying  $\omega^\flat(\mathbf{X}_0) \doteq \iota_{\mathbf{X}_0} \omega = 0$ . The fundamental dynamical equation

$$\omega^\flat(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{d}\mathcal{H}, \quad (\text{B.1})$$

has then a solution if

$$\langle \mathbf{d}\mathcal{H} | \mathbf{X}_0 \rangle = 0 \quad ; \quad \forall \mathbf{X}_0 \in \text{Ker}(\omega^\flat). \quad (\text{B.2})$$

If this is nowhere satisfied on  $\mathcal{M}_1$ , the hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}$  does not define any dynamics on  $\mathcal{M}_1$ . When (B.2) is identically satisfied, a particular solution  $\mathbf{X}_P$  of (B.1) is defined in the entire manifold  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and so is the general solution obtained summing the general solution of the homogeneous equation  $\iota_{\mathbf{X}_0} \omega = 0$ , i.e  $\mathbf{X}_G = \mathbf{X}_P + \mathbf{X}_0$ , which will contain arbitrary functions. When (B.2) is satisfied for some points  $z \in \mathcal{M}_1$ , we shall assume they form a submanifold, called the secondary constrained submanifold with injection  $\iota_2 : \mathcal{M}_2 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_1$ . The particular solution  $\mathbf{X}_P$  of (B.1) is now defined in  $\mathcal{M}_2$  and so is the general solution  $\mathbf{X}_G$ . Requiring that  $\mathbf{X}_G$  conserves the constraints amounts to ask that  $\mathbf{X}_G$  is tangent to  $\mathcal{M}_2$ :

$$\mathbf{X}_G = \iota_{2*}(\mathbf{X}_2) ; \mathbf{X}_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{M}_2, T\mathcal{M}_2). \quad (\text{B.3})$$

Again, when there are no points where this tangency condition is satisfied, (B.1) is meaningless. Another possibility is that some of the arbitrary functions in  $\mathbf{X}_0$  become determined and the tangency condition is obeyed on the entire  $\mathcal{M}_2$ . The general solution then still contains some arbitrary functions. Finally it may happen that the conditions (B.3) are only satisfied on some  $\mathcal{M}_3$  with  $\iota_3 : \mathcal{M}_3 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_2$ . The story then goes on until one of the first two alternatives are reached.

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[21] Observe that  $\Phi_k^\ell = \delta_k^\ell - e\mathbf{F}_{kj}r\mathbf{G}^{j\ell}$  and  $\Psi^i_j = \delta^i_j - r\mathbf{G}^{i\ell}e\mathbf{F}_{\ell j}$  are mutually transposed and that the matrices  $\Psi^k_j r\mathbf{G}^{j\ell} = r\mathbf{G}^{kj}\Phi_j^\ell$  and  $\Phi_k^j e\mathbf{F}_{j\ell} = e\mathbf{F}_{kj}\Psi^j_\ell$  are antisymmetric.  
[22] In the limit  $\chi \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $m'\omega'_0 = \sqrt{m'\kappa'} \rightarrow |B|$ .  
[23] Recall that with complex variables  $q = q^1 + \mathbf{i}q^2$ , the differentials  $dq = dq^1 + \mathbf{i}dq^2$  and  $dq^\dagger = dq^1 - \mathbf{i}dq^2$  have local dual vector fields  $\{\partial/\partial q = (\partial/\partial q^1 - \mathbf{i}\partial/\partial q^2)/2; \partial/\partial q^\dagger = (\partial/\partial q^1 + \mathbf{i}\partial/\partial q^2)/2$  and similarly for the  $p = p_1 + \mathbf{i}p_2$  variables.  
[24] The ( $N = 3$ ) case will only be examined in the nondegenerate case  $\chi > 0$ .  
[25] Due to  $\kappa^2 + \kappa'^2 (rC)^2 (eB)^2 + 2\kappa\kappa' rCeB = 1$ , the mass and elastic constant of the  $z$  degrees of freedom, as expected, are not renormalised.  
[26] with dual basis  $\{e^{\alpha\beta}\}$  in  $\mathcal{L}^*(SO(N))$ .  
[27] Exercise 4.2A in [6], defining a (generalized) Poincaré momentum.  
[28] Quantum mechanics on a noncommutative sphere  $S^2$  and on general noncommutative Riemann surfaces was examined in ([12, 13]).  
[29] In the case  $e = 0$ , Darboux coordinates are given by (III.17) and in [16] such model was considered with the possibility of having a monopole in  $p$ -space!  
[30]  $\mathcal{T}_f(t)^*$  denotes the pull-back of  $\mathcal{T}_f(t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  is the Lie derivative along  $\mathbf{X}_f$ .  
[31] We use  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{d}\iota_{\mathbf{X}} + \iota_{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{d}$  on differential forms.  
[32]  $\mathcal{M}_1$  is the primary constrained manifold, arising e.g. from a degenerate Lagrangian.