

# BV actions for extended geometry

based on work with Jakob Palmkvist (many papers)  
and Guillaume Bossard & JP ('24)

- Motivation - symmetries of gravity
- Brief intro to extended geometry
- Complexes and 1<sup>st</sup> order actions for 2-derivative theories
- Summary

(Models containing) gravity exhibit global symmetries beyond isometries.

In particular, after dimensional reduction.

Examples : T-duality  $O(d,d)$   
U-duality  $E_n(n)$   
Eilen, Bevoch ...

Examples from reduction of gravity in  $D$  dim.  
 &  $D=11$  supergravity

$$D = d + n$$

"external"

"internal"

$D=4$  gravity

$D$ -dim. gravity

$D=11$  SG

$d=3$

$A_1$

$A_{D-3}$

$E_8$

Ehlen

2

$A_1^+$

$A_{D-3}^+$

$E_9$

Geroch

1

$A_1^{++}$

$A_{D-3}^{++}$

$E_{10}$

BKL

0

$A_1^{+++}$

$A_{D-3}^{+++}$

$E_{11}$

? [West]

$\vdots$   
 $A_{n-1}$   
 $\vdots$

$\vdots$   
 $E_n$   
 $\vdots$



Extended geometry: ("geometrisation" of duality symmetries)

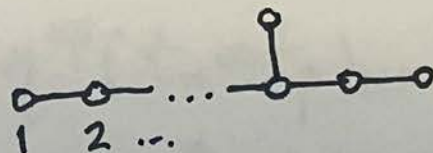
Keep dependence of internal coordinates,  
extend them to fill a module of  
K-M algebra  $\mathfrak{G}$ .

Dynamical fields in coset  $(\mathfrak{G} \times \mathbb{R}) / K(\mathfrak{G})$

mimicking  $GL(n) / SO(n)$

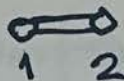
- Choices to make:
- K-M group  $G$
  - Vector/coordinate module

Example:  $E_n$



coordinates and vector fields in  $R(-\Lambda_1)$

Example: Geroch  $A_1^+$



$R(-A_1)$

- How does the theory "preserve"  $G$ ?
- How is original model obtained?





Is this meaningful?

compute and see!

when dual gravity involved:

"ancillary" - will not talk about

$$[L_\xi, L_\eta] = L_{[\xi, \eta]} (+ \sum \xi \eta)$$

← "Courant" bracket, antisymm. of Dorfmann.

$[\cdot, \cdot]$  not Lie!

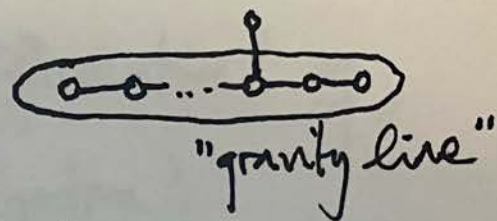
but only if  $\gamma \partial \otimes \partial = 0$ ,

$$\gamma = -\eta^{\alpha\beta} t_\alpha \otimes t_\beta + (\lambda, \lambda) - 1 + \sigma$$

"section constraint"

Solutions to section constraint are  
maximal linear subspaces of minimal  $G$ -orbit  
in  $R(\lambda)$ .

Preserved by  $GL(n)$  subgroup.



→ back (locally) to original model.

Caveat: Global interpretation of extended  
space unclear.



We want to construct BV models of extended geometry.  
Start with linearised theory.

This means having a complex with differential  $q$ ,  
 $q^2 = 0$ . (Dual to 1-bracket of  $L_\infty$  algebra)

In addition, look for 1<sup>st</sup> order versions  
-  $q$  has at most one derivative.

1<sup>st</sup> order from 2<sup>nd</sup> order

Example : YM

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Omega^0 & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^1 & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^2 \\ & & & \nearrow * & \\ & & \Omega^{D-2} & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^{D-1} \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^D \end{array}$$

$$q = d + *$$

} homotopy transfer /  
elimination of algebraic  
field eq's

$$S = \langle \mathcal{F}, q\mathcal{F} \rangle (+ \dots)$$
$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Omega^0 \rightarrow \Omega^1 & & \\ \downarrow d+* & & \\ \Omega^{D-1} \rightarrow \Omega^D & & \end{array}$$

see files by  
Maxim, Eugenia, ...

Gravity :

$$V \rightarrow V \otimes \Omega^1 \rightarrow V \otimes \Omega^2 \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \xi & \xrightarrow{d} & e & \xrightarrow{d} & T & \xrightarrow{d} & \lambda^* \\
 & \nearrow s & & \nearrow \sigma & & \nearrow s^* & \\
 \lambda & \xrightarrow{d} & \omega & \xrightarrow{d} & e^* & \xrightarrow{d} & \xi^*
 \end{array}
 \quad \dots \partial_{[a} T_{bc]}^c$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 s \nearrow & \xrightarrow{d} & \sigma \nearrow \\
 \xrightarrow{d} & & \searrow
 \end{array}
 : \quad \underline{d \circ \sigma + \sigma \circ d = 0}$$

unique sol. for  $\sigma$   $\dots \rightarrow$  hom. transfer

$$S[e] = \int T(e) \sigma^{-1} T(e)$$



# Extended geometry - analogous complex

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 \dots & \rightarrow & \xi' & \rightarrow & E & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H} & \rightarrow & \lambda^* \\
 & & & & & & \nearrow \sigma & & \nearrow \\
 & & & & \lambda & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H}^* & \rightarrow & E^* & \rightarrow & \xi^* & \rightarrow & \xi'^* & \rightarrow & \dots
 \end{array}$$

[a bit more,  
ancillary fields/  
ghosts not  
displayed]

Upper line obtained as levels in tensor hierarchy algebra.  
(extremely useful esp. for  $\infty$ -dim  $\mathfrak{g}$ )

Only "unknown":  $\sigma$

After hom. transfer:  $S_{\text{phys.}} = \frac{1}{2} \int \langle \mathbb{H}(E), \sigma^{-1} \mathbb{L}(E) \rangle$

For non-linear theory (full BV):

Need only check that the Bianchi id's used  
have the specific form

$$(D_M + \Theta_M) X_{NP}^M = 0 .$$

↑ "small torsion"

The rest is covariantisation w.r.t. Weizenböck  
connection of  $E$ .

Avoids problems with not having enough torsion constraints  
to determine  $\omega$  (but still interesting... unfolding?)

(see Falk's talk, maybe)



## Conclusions & questions

- BV actions constructed for affine (and smaller) parts of of form  $S = \langle 2, g^2 \rangle + \dots$
- explicit ghost sector when  $d \geq 4$  -  
 $\infty$  sequence of ghosts for ghosts,  $\infty$  high brackets.
- $d \leq 2$ :  $\mathfrak{g}$  itself becomes enlarged. For example,  
 $d=1$ : New Lie algebra structure on  $\mathfrak{g}^{++} \oplus \mathbb{R}(-\lambda)$
- Relations to cosmological billiards and emergence of space?

Ευχαριστώ πολύ!