4th Conference on 
Poisson Geometry 
and related fields

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Speakers:

Anton Alekseev (Genève)  
Martin Bordemann (Mulhouse)  
Henrique Bursztyn (Toronto)  
Rui L. Fernandes (Lisbonne)  
Philip Foth (Tucson, Arizona)  
Janusz Grabowski (Varsovie)  
Marco Gualtieri (Montréal)  
Kirill C. H. Mackenzie (Sheffield)  
Yoshiaki Maeda (Yokohama)  
Philippe Monnier (Bordeaux)  

Serge Parmentier (Lyon)  
Olga Radko (Los Angeles)  
Tudor S. Ratiu (Lausanne)  
Pavel Severa (Bratislava)  
Izu Vaisman (Haifa)  
Theodore Voronov (Manchester)  
Aissa Wade (Philadelphia)  
Alan Weinstein (Berkeley)  
Ping Xu (Philadelphia)  
Nguyen Tien Zung (Toulouse)  

Schedule and speakers’ abstracts:

Monday, June 7

10h50 – 11h50

Alan Weinstein, Prequantization of Poisson manifolds associated with contact manifolds

Given a manifold C with a cooriented contact structure, a construction of LeBrun (1991) produces a Poisson manifold P with boundary. The interior of P is the symplectization of C, while the boundary of P is a copy of C with the zero Poisson structure (nevertheless, Poisson automorphisms of P preserve the contact structure on the boundary).
In this talk, Alan Weinstein proposed that an appropriate prequantization of P is given by a Jacobi manifold Q and a Jacobi map \( p: Q \rightarrow P \). The fibers of p are, as usual, the orbits of a circle action, but the circle action is not free on the part of Q lying above C. The proposal is based on considerations coming from Berezin-Toeplitz quantization of bounded domains like the unit ball in complex n-space.

13h50 – 14h50

Izu Vaisman, Poisson structures on foliated manifolds

Izu Vaisman presented a survey of results on relationships between a Poisson structure P and a foliation F on a differentiable manifold M. First, he discussed transversally-Poisson structures of F. These are bivector fields P that define a Poisson algebra structure on the subalgebra of F-leaf-wise constant smooth functions of M. Such structures are relevant for physical systems with gauge parameters. P is equivalent with a foliation of M by pre-symplectic leaves, which contains F as a sub-foliation. Then, he discussed leaf-wise Poisson structures, i.e., Poisson bivector fields P of M such that the symplectic leaves of P are submanifolds of the leaves of F. Here, the main result is a spectral sequence for the Poisson cohomology of P. Finally, he presented the coupling Poisson structures of Vorobiev. They extend Sternberg's symplectic form, which describes the coupling between a particle and a field. He presented the characterization of an F-coupling Poisson bivector field P via a normal bundle of F, and gave a simpler construction of Vorobiev's structure on the dual bundle of the kernel of a transitive Lie algebroid over a symplectic manifold.

15h10 – 16h10

Philip Foth, Toric degenerations of polygon spaces and applications

There are remarkable integrable systems on the moduli spaces of spatial polygons, where the angle variables define the "bending flows". Philip Foth showed that there exist flat degenerations of these spaces to toric varieties where the polytopes are defined by the action variables. He also constructed toric degenerations of moduli spaces of stable marked projective lines, which also illuminate interesting integrable systems. He generalized this approach to higher dimensions, like Flaschka-Millson integrable systems and Chow quotients of grassmannians by torus action. These constructions can be applied to finding algebraic invariants of these spaces and to representation theory.

16h40 – 17h40

Martin Bordemann, (Bi)modules, morphisms and reduction of star-products: the symplectic case, foliations and obstructions

(Bi)modules, morphisms and reduction of star-products are studied in a framework of multidifferential operators along maps: morphisms deform Poisson maps and representations on functions spaces deform coisotropic maps. If a star-product is representable on a coisotropic submanifold, it is equivalent to a star-product for which the vanishing ideal is a left ideal. If the reduced phase space exists, a star-product with suitable Deligne class is representable and the reduced algebra is the commutant of this module (hence a bimodule). Obstructions to representability to third order are related to the Atiyah-Molino class of the foliation of the coisotropic submanifold, and the same kind of obstructions occurs for the quantization of a Poisson map between symplectic manifolds. For vanishing Atiyah-Molino class, the representation and morphism problem is solvable.
Tuesday, June 8

9h30 – 10h30

Kirill C. H. Mackenzie, Duality for double and higher structures

The duality between linear Poisson structures on a vector bundle and Lie algebroid structures on its dual is best expressed in terms of the tangent and cotangent double vector bundles associated to the vector bundle. The duality of double vector bundles is also fundamental to the concept of double Lie algebroid, which includes the cotangent double of a Lie bialgebroid. In this talk Kirill Mackenzie showed that the somewhat surprising duality properties of double vector bundles are easily understood in terms of triple vector bundle structures and indicate the general phenomena in the case of higher structures.

10h50 – 11h50

Serge Parmentier, On dynamical Poisson groupoids

In this talk, Serge Parmentier reported on a joint work with L.-C. Li and with R. Pujol. The lecture surveyed several properties of Poisson groupoids of Etingof-Varchenko type. In particular, the description of Poisson groupoid duality together with reduced duality diagrams, and the link with Lie quasi-bialgebras have been given. Applications thereof to the description of the moduli space of dynamical r-matrices and double constructions have also been addressed.

13h50 – 14h50

Janusz Grabowski, Frame independent mechanics: Lie and Poisson brackets on sections of affine bundles

A geometric framework for a frame-independent formulation of different problems in analytical mechanics has been developed. In this approach affine bundles replace vector bundles of the standard description. In particular, momenta take affine values and energy functions are replaced by sections of certain affine line bundles called AV-bundles. Categorical constructions for affine bundles and AV-bundles as well as natural analogs of Lie algebroid structures on affine bundles – Lie affgebroids – have been presented. Certain Lie algebroids and Lie affgebroids canonically associated with an AV-bundle turn out to be closely related to affine analogs of Poisson and Jacobi brackets. Homology and cohomology of the latter are canonically defined. The developed concepts find an application in solving some problems of frame-independent geometric description of mechanical systems.

15h10 – 16h10

Nguyen Tien Zung, Linearization of Lie groupoids and symplectic groupoids

In this talk Nguyen Tien Zung presented some recent results concerning the linearization of Lie groupoids and symplectic groupoids, as well as some applications.

16h40 – 17h40

Ping Xu, On the universal lifting theorem

For a Lie groupoid G, the space of multiplicative multivector fields on G is naturally a graded Lie algebra. Ping Xu introduced, for a Lie algebroid A, the notion of the so-called "multi-differentials", which is also a graded Lie algebra. He proved that for an s-connected and s-simply-connected Lie groupoid, these two graded Lie algebras are isomorphic.
As an application, he gave the integration theorem of quasi-Lie bialgebroids. Application to quasi-Poisson manifolds was discussed.

18h00 – 19h30

Poster session

Fifteen posters were presented during this session.

Wednesday, June 9

9h30 – 10h30

Marco Gualtieri, Generalized Geometry

In his talk Marco Gualtieri described generalized complex geometry, which is a way of unifying complex and symplectic geometry using the framework of complex Dirac structures. He described the main results in this field and some implications of this unification for mirror symmetry.

10h50 – 11h50

Aissa Wade, On the local structure of Dirac manifolds

Aissa Wade gave a local normal form for Dirac structures. As a consequence, she showed that the dimensions of the pre-symplectic leaves of a Dirac manifold have the same parity. She also explained that, given a point m of a Dirac manifold M, there is a well-defined transverse Poisson structure to the pre-symplectic leaf P through m. Finally, she described the neighborhood of a pre-symplectic leaf in terms of geometric data. This description agrees with that given by Vorobjev for the Poisson case.

13h50 – 14h50

Yoshiaki Maeda, Complex Maslov blurred bundles

Alan Weinstein constructed Maslov gerbes, which is the complex version of the Maslov bundles. Yoshiaki Maeda gave another approach to construct these objects by using the deformation quantization of the quadratic functions in the Weyl algebra.

15h10 – 16h10

Pavol Severa, Non-commutative differential forms and quantization of the odd symplectic category

There is a simple and natural quantization of differential forms on odd Poisson supermanifolds, given by the relation \([f,dg]=\{f,g\}\), for any two functions f and g. This non-commutative differential algebra has a geometrical realization as a convolution algebra of the symplectic groupoid integrating the Poisson manifold.

This quantization is just a part of a quantization of the odd symplectic category in terms of \(Z_2\)-graded chain complexes. It is a straightforward consequence of the theory of BV operators acting on semi – densities, due to H. Khudaverdian.
16h40 – 17h40

**Henrique Bursztyn, Dirac structures, moment maps and quasi-Poisson manifolds**

Henrique Bursztyn described how the usual notions of hamiltonian action, momentum map and symplectic reduction in Poisson geometry can be extended to the context of (twisted) Dirac geometry. He showed how hamiltonian quasi-Poisson manifolds with group-valued moment maps fit into this general framework, and pointed out some nice features of this alternative approach.

**Thursday, June 10**

9h00 – 10h00

**Olga Radko, The Picard groups and topologically stable Poisson structures**

The Picard group of a Poisson manifold $P$, introduced by Bursztyn and Weinstein, consists of all Morita self-equivalence $P$-bimodules, with the operation of the relative tensor product. Olga Radko described the Picard groups of certain Poisson structures on compact oriented surfaces, and discussed some related results.

10h15 – 11h15

**Philippe Monnier, Poisson cohomology**

Philippe Monnier explained an explicit computation of the local Poisson cohomology of generic germs at 0 of Poisson structures in dimension 2. While generalizing this computation to higher dimensions, we are led to introduce a new cohomology attached to a function. He then gave some “basic” properties of this cohomology.

11h45 – 12h45

**Rui Fernandes, First steps in Poisson topology**

In his lecture Rui Fernandes discussed properties of Poisson manifolds, which have a topological flavor, such as a rigidity, softness and stability.

**Afternoon: guided tour**

**Friday, June 11**

9h00 – 10h00

**Theodore Voronov, Higher derived brackets**

Various brackets in algebra and geometry, such as the Lie bracket in an arbitrary Lie algebra or superalgebra, the Poisson bracket on a Poisson manifold, etc., are examples of the so called “derived brackets”, having as their source a canonical bracket (such as the commutator of vector fields or the canonical Poisson bracket on the cotangent bundle) and a “deriving element”. In all these cases, the deriving element is in a certain sense “quadratic” and the resulting bracket satisfies the Jacobi identity.

“Higher derived brackets” is a generalization of derived brackets, a construction of an infinite
sequence of operations from simple data on a Lie superalgebra. It should be looked at as a proper framework for "non-quadratic" deriving elements. On one hand the main statement is purely algebraic, on the other hand the construction is motivated by various examples from geometry and mathematical physics. It contains, in particular, the standard description of arbitrary SH Lie algebras via homological vector fields and the example of brackets generated by a differential operator (such as the Batalin–Vilkovisky type operators).

10h15 – 11h15

Anton Alekseev, Deformation quantization of coadjoint orbits

Anton Alekseev explained how Fedosov’s quantization applies to coadjoint orbits. In many situations, this method gives rise to explicit formulas for invariant *-products related to dynamical twists and dynamical R-matrices.

11h45 – 12h45

Tudor Ratiu, Orbits in Banach Lie-Poisson spaces

The notion of Banach Lie-Poisson space has been presented and the main properties of these spaces have been discussed. Special emphasis has been given to the problem of extensions. The various orbits in specific Banach Lie-Poisson spaces associated to W*-algebras and operator ideals have been analyzed.

Closing session:

It was decided that the 5th Conference on “Poisson Geometry and related fields” will be held in 2006 in Japan.

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