

$$\beta_k^P = A_k^P / G_{k+1}^P$$

$$S_{x_0} = \exp\left(\mu c(t_{x_0}) \partial_{x_0}\right)$$

$(S_{x_0} \times G)/\text{stab}(x_0) \rightarrow X$  is a diffeo onto neighborhood of  $\partial_{x_0}$ .

Understand  $\text{stab}(A)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{L}_k^P$

$G = U(n)$  or a subgroup,  $P = \text{unitary frames of a } U(n) \text{ bundle}$

$u$  is a section of  $\text{Ad} P \subset \text{End}(E)$

$$u^* u = 1.$$

$$u^* d_A u = d_A$$

$$d_A + \alpha^{-1} d_A u$$

$$u^* d_A u = 0 \Rightarrow d_A u = 0.$$

$\text{stab}(A) \subset G$ . Given  $u \in \text{stab}(A)$   
 $p \in P$ ,  $\partial(p_0) \in U(n)$  w.r.t.  $\text{stab}(A) \subset U(n)$

Groups  
 ① Stabilizer  
 associated to  
 ② Holonomy  
 a connection

Given  $\gamma$  a 1-syj based at  $x_0$ , we can lift  $\gamma$  to  $\tilde{\gamma}$  & path  
 starting at  $p_0$  and ending at  $p_1$  g.  $g = \text{hol}(A)$ ,

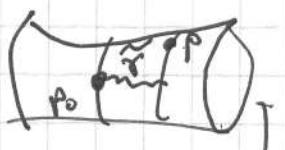
$$\text{hol}_{p_0}(A) = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \text{stab}(X)} \text{hol}_{p_0}(A) \subset G = U(n) \quad \underline{\text{is a subgroup}}$$

Prop:  $\text{stab}_{p_0}(A) = \text{Centralizer of } \text{hol}_{p_0}(A) = \{g \in G \mid g^{-1} h g = h \text{ for } h \in \text{hol}_{p_0}(A)\}$

- 1)  $\text{Stab}_{p_0}(A) \subset \text{Cent}(\text{hol}_{p_0}(A))$  follows from the fact that each  $g \in \text{Stab}_{p_0}(A)$  extends by definition to  $\tilde{g} \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\tilde{g} \cdot A = A$
- 2)  $\text{Cent}(\text{hol}_{p_0}(A)) \subset \text{Stab}_{p_0}(A)$ .

$g \in \text{Cent}(\text{hol}_{p_0}(A))$  Try to extend  $g$  to a gauge transformation  $\tilde{g}$  by the rule  $\tilde{g}(p) = kgk^{-1}$  if  $\delta$  is a path from  $x_0$  to  $x$  with

A parallel lift  $\tilde{\delta}$  having  $\tilde{\delta}(0) = p_0$ ,  $\tilde{\delta}(1) = p$ .



$$\Rightarrow k'k^{-1} \in \text{hol}_{x,p}(A) \Rightarrow kgk^{-1} = h'g(h)^{-1}$$

Why is it smooth? To check suffices to do it locally. Use parallel transport along radial geodesics in a local chart to trivialize the bundle. In the local trivialization,  $g$  is constant.

Only subgroups that appear as centralizers can be stabilizers!

E.g.  $U(1)$

$G$  | centralizers

$$U(1) \quad U(1)$$

$$SU(2) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \pm 1, SU(2)$$

$$SO_3 \quad SO_2, \mathbb{Z}_2^2, \mathbb{Z}_2, O(2)$$

$$U_n \quad \text{decompose } \mathbb{C}^n = \mathbb{C}^{n_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{C}^{n_k}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} U(n_1) & & & \\ & U(n_2) & & \\ & & U(n_3) & \\ & & & U(n_k) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{Central}} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & A^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad A \in O(2)$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2^2 \sim \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & & \\ & \epsilon_2 & \\ & & \epsilon_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3 = 1$$

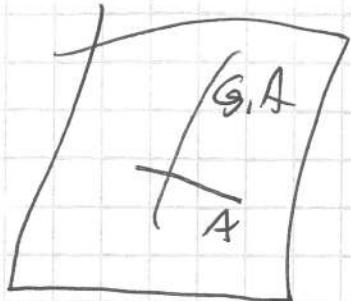
centralizes  
itself

Centralizers are a directed set where centralizing is an involution

Centralizer of centralizer

Connection  $A$  reduces structure group to a  $\text{hol}_{p_0}(A)$ -bundle.

Given  $G' \subset G$  a possible stabilizer we can construct a  $G'$ -bundle with connection, so that the holonomy of the connection is  $G'$ .



Put a Riemannian structure on  $T_k^P$  by  $T_A \Omega_A^P$   
 $\circ = L_k^P(X, T^*X \otimes \text{ad } P)$ .

$$\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \rangle = \int_X (\alpha_1 \lrcorner \alpha_2).$$

$(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a bilinear product on  $g$ .

$$\alpha_1 = \sum_i \theta_i : Q \xi_1^i, \quad \theta_i \in \Gamma(U, T^*X) \\ \alpha_2 = \sum_j \theta_{2j} : Q \xi_2^j, \quad \xi_j \in \Gamma(U, \text{Ad } P)$$

$$(\alpha_1 \lrcorner \alpha_2) = \sum_{i,j} \theta_{1i} \lrcorner \theta_{2j} (\xi_1^i, \xi_2^j), \quad \text{Results in an n-form.}$$

$$G \circ A = \{ d_A + u^{-1} d_A u \mid u \in G \}$$

$$T_A(G \circ A) = \{ d_A \xi \mid \xi \in \Gamma(X, \text{ad } P) \},$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left( d_A + \exp(t\xi)^{-1} d_A \exp(t\xi) \right) \Big|_{t=0} \\ T_A \theta_A = \{ d_A \xi \mid \xi \in \Gamma(X, \text{ad } P) \}$$



$\exp: \text{ad } P \rightarrow \text{Ad } P$   
 fibre bundle exponential map

$$\xi \in \Gamma(X, \text{ad } P) \\ \exp(\xi) \in \Gamma(X; \text{Ad } P).$$

$$T_A \theta_A^\perp = \{ \alpha \in \Gamma(X; \text{Ad } P) \mid \int_X (d_A \xi \lrcorner \alpha) = 0 \quad \forall \xi \in \Gamma(X, \text{ad } P) \}$$

$$\int_X (d_A \xi \lrcorner \alpha)$$

$$0 = \int_X d(\xi \lrcorner \alpha) = \int_X d_{\bar{A}} \xi \lrcorner \alpha = \int_X \xi \lrcorner d_{\bar{A}} \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow - \int_X \xi \lrcorner d_{\bar{A}} \alpha = \pm \int_X (\xi \lrcorner (\star d_{\bar{A}} \star \alpha)).$$

$$d_{\bar{A}}^* = -\star d_{\bar{A}} \star, \quad \text{and} \quad T_A \theta_A^\perp = \{ \alpha \mid d_{\bar{A}}^* \alpha = 0 \}.$$

Try to show that:

$$S_{A,\varepsilon} = \{A + \alpha \mid d_A^* \alpha = 0, \|\alpha\|_{L_K^P} < \varepsilon\}$$

is a slice.

Prop: For  $\varepsilon$  sufficiently small,  $(G \times S_{A,\varepsilon})/\text{stab}(A)$  is diffeomorphic to a nbhd of  $O_A$  in  $\mathcal{A}_K^P$ .

$$d_A^*(D_A^* D_A + I)|_{\alpha=0} \quad \text{if we used the } L_1^2 \text{ inner product.}$$

Doesn't work well because it requires too much regularity on  $A$ .

$$m: S_{A,\varepsilon} \times G_{k+1}^P \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_K^P$$

$$(A + \alpha, g) \mapsto g \circ (A + \alpha)$$

$$\text{Equivalent: } m(A + \alpha, hg) = h m(A + \alpha, g).$$

Step 1: Show that  $d_{(A,1)}: T_{(A,1)} S_{A,\varepsilon} \times T_{(A,1)} G_{k+1}^P \rightarrow T_{(A,1)} \mathcal{A}_K^P$  is surjective with kernel  $\text{Lie}(\text{stab}(A))$  in  $T_{(A,1)} S_{A,\varepsilon} \times T_{(A,1)} G_{k+1}^P$ .

If it's a local diffeo at identity, then by equivariance it's a local diffeo along the orbit.

Step 2: Observe that  $\text{IFT} \Rightarrow$  induced map  $\bar{m}: (S_{A,\varepsilon} \times G_{k+1}^P) / \text{stab}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_K^P$  is a local diffeo at  $[A, 1]$

Step 3: Observe that 2 + equivariance of  $m \Rightarrow \bar{m}$  is a local diffeo in a nbhd of orbit.

Step 4: Prove  $\bar{m}$  is surjective.