

# New Topological Field Theories from Dimensional Reduction of Nonlinear Gauge Theories

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# §1. Introduction

## Purpose 1.

Construct new gauge theories and apply to physics and mathematics

A new gauge theory  $\longrightarrow$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{new physics (Yang-Mills, gravity, } \dots) \\ \text{new mathematics}(\dots) \end{array} \right.$

Consistency of quantum field theories  $\iff$  a Batalin-Vilkovisky Structure

$$(S, S) = 0 \text{ (classical)} \quad (S_q, S_q) - 2i\hbar\Delta S_q = 0 \text{ (quantum)}$$

## Purpose 2.

Unify (and classify) all geometries and algebras as (a kind of substructures of) (super) Poisson geometry

Super Poisson geometry  $\supset$  a Batalin-Vilkovisky Structure

$(S, S) = 0$  (classical) geometry

$(S_q, S_q) - 2i\hbar\Delta S_q = 0$  (quantum geometry)

Many geometric structures are constructed as a BV structure.

*Lie, Poisson, complex, symplectic, Kähler, Calabi-Yau, Courant, Dirac, algebroid, generalized geometry, ...*

We consider a topological field theory with a BF type (Schwarz type) kinetic term  $S = S_0 + S_1 = \int_{\Pi TX} \mathbf{B}d\mathbf{A} + S_1$ , as an interesting playground.

A **nonlinear gauge theory** is a most general topological field theory with a BF type (Schwarz type) kinetic term  $S = \int_{\Pi TX} \mathbf{B}d\mathbf{A} + S_1$  in any dimension, which includes the Poisson sigma model,  $A$ -model,  $B$ -model,  $\dots$ , and describes a topological membrane.

A **nonlinear gauge theory** constructed from superfields with the **nonnegative** total degree has been analyzed. We know general  $S_1$ .

N.I. '01

## This Talk

We construct topological field theories which include superfields with the **negative** total degree, consistent with dimensional reduction and deformation,

and consider an **Application** to a generalized complex structure (and complex, symplectic geometry).

## Technique

- Deformation Theory

Barnich, Henneaux '93, Barnich, Brandt, Henneaux, '95

- Dimensional Reduction

Kaluza, '21, Klein, '26

## Plan of Talk

- Review of the AKSZ formalism and nonlinear gauge theories
- Dimensional reduction from 3 dimensions to 2 dimensions
- The Poisson sigma model with a two-form
- Application to a generalized complex structure

## §2. AKSZ Formalism of Nonlinear Gauge Theories

$X$ : a manifold in  $n$  dimensions (worldsheet or worldvolume)

$M$ : a manifold in  $d$  dimensions (target space)

a map  $\phi : X \longrightarrow M$

The **AKSZ Formalism** of the Batalin-Vilkovisky formalism is formulated by three elements,

- **Supermanifold** (Superfield  $\Phi$ )
- **P-structure** (Antibracket  $(*, *)$ )
- **Q-structure** (BV action  $S$ )

Alexandrov, Kontsevich, Schwartz, Zaboronsky '97

- **Supermanifold** (Superfield)

- $X$  to supermanifold

$TX$ : a tangent bundle

$\Pi TX$ : A *supermanifold* is a tangent bundle with reversed parity of the fiber.

- local coordinates

$\{\sigma^\mu\}$  on  $X$ , where  $\mu = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$\{\theta^\mu\}$  on  $T_\sigma X$ , fermionic supercoordinate

Def: **form degree**  $\deg \sigma = 0$  and  $\deg \theta = 1$

We extend a smooth map  $\phi : X \longrightarrow M$  to a map  $\phi : \Pi TX \longrightarrow M$ .



This procedure introduces ghosts and antifields systematically. A function on  $\Pi TX$  is called a *superfield*.

$$\phi^i = \phi^{(0)i} + \theta^{\mu_1} \phi_{\mu_1}^{(-1)i} + \frac{1}{2!} \theta^{\mu_1} \theta^{\mu_2} \phi_{\mu_1 \mu_2}^{(-2)i} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \theta^{\mu_1} \dots \theta^{\mu_n} \phi_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^{(-n)i}.$$

◦  $M$  to supermanifold (a graded manifold)

We introduce superfield pairs with the **nonnegative** total degrees and with the sum of the **total degree**  $n - 1$ .

$$\{ \mathbf{A}_p^{a_p}, \mathbf{B}_{n-p-1, a_p} \}, \quad p = 0, 1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor$$

1.  $T^*M$ : a cotangent bundle

$T^*[n-1]M$ : A *graded cotangent bundle* is a cotangent bundle with the degree of the fiber  $n-1$ .

• local coordinates  $\{\phi^i, \mathbf{B}_{n-1,i}\}$

$\{\phi^i = \mathbf{A}_0^i\}$ : a map from  $\Pi TX$  to  $M$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .

$\{\mathbf{B}_{n-1,i}\}$ : a superfield on  $\Pi TX$ , which take a value on  $\phi^*(T^*[n-1]M)$

$p$  even  $\implies \{\mathbf{B}_{p,i}\}$  bosonic,  $p$  odd  $\implies \{\mathbf{B}_{p,i}\}$  fermionic

Def: **total degree**:  $|\phi| = 0$  and  $|\mathbf{B}_{n-1}| = n-1$

Def: **ghost number**:  $\text{gh}F = |F| - \text{deg}F$ , where  $F$  is a superfield.

2.  $E$ : a vector bundle on  $M$

$E_p[p]$ : a vector bundle with the degree of the fiber  $p$

We consider  $E_p[p] \oplus E_p^*[n-p-1]$ :  $p$  is an integer with  $1 \leq p \leq n-2$ .

· local coordinates  $\{A_p^{a_p}, B_{n-p-1, a_p}\}$

$A_p^{a_p}$ : a total degree  $p$  superfield on  $\Pi TX$ , which take a value on  $\phi^*(E[p])$

$B_{n-p-1, a_p}$ : a total degree  $n-p-1$  superfield on  $\Pi TX$ , which take a value on  $\phi^*(E^*[n-p-1])$

$[x]$ : the floor function which gives the largest integer less than or equal to  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

If  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq p \leq n - 2$ , we can identify  $E[p] \oplus E^*[n - p - 1]$  with the dual bundle  $E^*[n - p - 1] \oplus (E^*)^*[p]$ ,

We consider graded bundle,

$$T^*[n - 1] \left( \sum_{p=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} E_p[p] \right),$$

$\{ \mathbf{A}_p^{a_p}, \mathbf{B}_{n-p-1, a_p} \}$ ,  $p = 0, 1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor$  in the local coordinate expression

$$n = 2$$

$$T^*[1]M.$$

- **P-structure** is a *graded Poisson structure* on a graded (or super) manifold  $\tilde{N}$ , whose bracket called the **antibracket**  $(*, *)$  with the total degree  $-p$  satisfies the following identities:

$$(F, G) = -(-1)^{(|F|-p)(|G|-p)}(G, F),$$

$$(F, GH) = (F, G)H + (-1)^{(|F|-p)|G|}G(F, H),$$

$$(FG, H) = F(G, H) + (-1)^{|G|(|H|-p)}(F, H)G,$$

$$(-1)^{(|F|-p)(|H|-p)}(F, (G, H)) + \text{cyclic permutations} = 0,$$

1.  $T^*[n - 1]M$  has a natural P-structure induced from a natural Poisson (symplectic) structure on  $T^*M$ :

$$(F, G) \equiv F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \phi^i} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{n-1,i}} G - F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{n-1,i}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \phi^i} G.$$

in a Darboux coordinate. The total degree is  $-n + 1$ .

2. An antibracket on  $E_p[p] \oplus E_p^*[n - p - 1]$

$$(F, G) \equiv F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{A}_p^{a_p}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{n-p-1,a_p}} G - (-1)^{p(n-p-1)} F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{n-p-1,a_p}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{A}_p^{a_p}} G$$

in a Darboux coordinate. The total degree is  $-n + 1$ .

- **Q-structure** called a *BV action*  $S$  is a function on a target graded bundle, and a functional on  $\Pi TX$ , which satisfies the classical master equation  $(S, S) = 0$ .

We require  $\text{gh}S = 0$ .

$\delta F = (S, F)$ : a *BRST transformation*, satisfies  $\delta^2 = 0$ .



### §3. BV Action of Nonlinear Gauge Theories

- **Q-structure** (BV Action)

$$S = S_0 + S_1,$$

where

$$S_0 = \sum_{p=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} (-1)^{n-p} \int_{\Pi T X} \mathbf{B}_{n-p-1, a_p} d\mathbf{A}_p^{a_p},$$

where  $d = \theta^\mu \partial_\mu$ ,  $\int_{\Pi T X} \equiv \int_{\Pi T X} d^n \theta d^n \sigma$ .

The general solution  $S_1 = \int_{\Pi T X} F(\Phi)$ , where  $F$  is an arbitrary function of all superfields  $\Phi$  with the total degree  $n$ , which satisfies  $(S_1, S_1) = 0$ , up to total derivatives and BRST exact terms. Higher order deformations vanish.

Izawa, '00, N.I, '00 '01

Bizdadea, Ciobirca, Cioroianu, Saliu, Sararu '00 '01 '02 '03

We call a resulting field theory  $S = S_0 + S_1$  a *nonlinear gauge theory* in  $n$  dimensions, a *topological sigma model* in  $n$  dimensions, or a *topological  $(n - 1)$ -brane*.

Example.1.  $n = 2$

- **Supermanifold**  $T^*[1]M$
- **Antibracket**  $(F, G) \equiv F \overleftarrow{\partial}_{\phi^i} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{B_{1,i}} G - F \overleftarrow{\partial}_{B_{1,i}} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{\phi^i} G.$
- **BV Action** is the Poisson sigma model

$$S_0 = \int_{\Pi TX} \mathbf{B}_{1i} d\phi^i, \quad S_1 = \int_{\Pi TX} \frac{1}{2} f^{ij}(\phi) \mathbf{B}_{1i} \mathbf{B}_{1j},$$

$$(S_1, S_1) = 0 \text{ derives } f^{kl} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{\phi^l} f^{ij} + f^{il} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{\phi^l} f^{jk} + f^{jl} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{\phi^l} f^{ki} = 0$$

$$\iff \pi = -f^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^l} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^l} \text{ is a Poisson bivector field.}$$

Example.2.  $n = 3$

- **Supermanifold**  $T^*[2]E[1]$
- **Antibracket**

$$(F, G) \equiv F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \phi^i} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{2,i}} G - F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{2,i}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \phi^i} G + F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{A}_1^a} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{1,a}} G + F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{B}_{1,a}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \mathbf{A}_1^a} G$$

- **BV Action**

The Courant sigma model

$$S = S_0 + S_1,$$

$$S_0 = \int_{\Pi TX} \left[ -\mathbf{B}_{2i} d\phi^i + \mathbf{B}_{1a} d\mathbf{A}_1^a \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 = & \int_{\Pi TX} [f_{1a}{}^i(\phi) \mathbf{B}_{2i} \mathbf{A}_1^a + f_2^{ib}(\phi) \mathbf{B}_{2i} \mathbf{B}_{1b} \\
& + \frac{1}{3!} f_{3abc}(\phi) \mathbf{A}_1^a \mathbf{A}_1^b \mathbf{A}_1^c + \frac{1}{2} f_{4ab}{}^c(\phi) \mathbf{A}_1^a \mathbf{A}_1^b \mathbf{B}_{1c} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} f_{5a}{}^{bc}(\phi) \mathbf{A}_1^a \mathbf{B}_{1b} \mathbf{B}_{1c} + \frac{1}{3!} f_6^{abc}(\phi) \mathbf{B}_{1a} \mathbf{B}_{1b} \mathbf{B}_{1c}], \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

$(S_1, S_1) = 0 \iff$  six  $f$ 's are structure functions of a Courant algebroid.

N.I. '02, Hofman, Park '02, Roytenberg '01, '06

Example.3.  $n = \text{general}$   
has a structure to the  $n$ -algebroid.

## §4. Dimensional Reduction

Dimensional reduction of  $X$  in  $n$  dimensions to  $\Sigma$  in  $m$  dimensions ( $n > m$ ). Reduction of each superfield  $\Phi$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^n) &= \tilde{\Phi}_{|\Phi|}(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^m) \\ &+ \sum_{p=1, \mu_q=n-m+1, \dots, n}^{n-m} \theta^{\mu_1} \dots \theta^{\mu_p} \tilde{\Phi}_{|\Phi|-p, \mu_1 \dots \mu_p}(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^m), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\deg \theta = 1$ ,  $|\theta| = 1$ ,  $\text{gh} \theta = 0$ .

This procedure produces a new topological field theory on  $\Sigma$ , including a superfield with the **negative** total degree.

## §5. Dimensional Reduction of the Courant Sigma Model in 3 Dimensions to 2 Dimensions

Reduction  $X$  to  $\Sigma$ ,  $(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \sigma^3) \rightarrow (\sigma^1, \sigma^2)$ ,

### Procedure 1. Reduction of Superfields

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi^i(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{\phi}^i(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 B_{2i}(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{B}_{2i}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\beta}_{1i}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 A_1^a(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{A}_1^a(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\alpha}_0^a(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 B_{1a}(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{B}_{1a}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\beta}_{0a}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

All these superfields do not depend on  $\sigma^3$  and  $\theta^3$ .  $|\tilde{\phi}^i| = |\tilde{\alpha}_0^a| =$

$$|\tilde{\beta}_{0_a}| = 0, |\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i| = -1, |\tilde{A}_1^a| = |\tilde{B}_{1_a}| = |\tilde{\beta}_{1_i}| = 1, |\tilde{B}_{2_i}| = 2.$$

## Procedure 2. Substitute to 3D Action

do not derive the correct AKSZ action in 2 dimensions.

$(\theta^3)^2 = 0$  drops some terms in three dimensions but generally the extra terms appear in a reduced action.

The existence of the negative total degree superfield  $\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i$  complexifies the dimensional reduction in the AKSZ formalism.

In order to derive the correct AKSZ action, first we should consider the dimensional reduction via the non-BV formalism.



3D AKSZ Action  $\longrightarrow$  3D non-BV Action



2D AKSZ Action  $\longleftarrow$  2D non-BV Action

**Procedure 1.** Expansion of superfields by the ghost numbers

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^i &= \phi^i + \phi^{(-1)i} + \phi^{(-2)i} + \phi^{(-3)i}, \\ B_{2,i} &= B_{2,i}^{(2)} + B_{2,i}^{(1)} + B_{2,i} + B_{2,i}^{(-1)}, \\ B_{1a} &= B_{1,a}^{(1)} + B_{1,a} + B_{1,a}^{(-1)} + B_{1,a}^{(-2)}, \\ A_1^a &= A_1^{(1)a} + A_1^a + A_1^{(-1)a} + A_1^{(-2)a},\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

where  $\phi^i = \phi^{(0)i}$ , etc.

**Procedure 2.** Setting  $\Phi^{(p)} = 0$  for  $p \neq 0$  in the action (antifield & ghost= 0) produces the 3D non-BV action.

**Procedure 3.** Dimensional Reduction

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi^i(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{\phi}^i(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 B_{2i}(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{B}_{2i}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\beta}_{1i}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 A_1^a(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{A}_1^a(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\alpha}_0^a(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \\
 B_{1a}(\sigma^\mu, \theta^\mu) &= \tilde{B}_{1a}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2) + \theta^3 \tilde{\beta}_{0a}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \theta^1, \theta^2), \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

3D action to 2D action

$$S = S_0 + S_1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0 &= \int d\theta^3 \theta^3 d\sigma^3 \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \left( \tilde{\beta}_{1i} \wedge d\tilde{\phi}^i + \tilde{A}_1^a \wedge d\tilde{\beta}_{0a} + \tilde{\beta}_{1a} \wedge d\tilde{\alpha}_0^a \right) \\
S_1 &= \int d\theta^3 \theta^3 d\sigma^3 \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} f_{1a}{}^i \tilde{A}_1^a \tilde{\beta}_{1i} + f_2{}^{ib} \tilde{B}_{1b} \tilde{\beta}_{1i} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} (f_{3abc} \tilde{\alpha}_0^c + f_{4ab}{}^c \tilde{\beta}_{0c}) \tilde{A}_1^a \tilde{A}_1^b + (-f_{4ab}{}^c \tilde{\alpha}_0^b + f_{5a}{}^{cb} \tilde{\beta}_{0b}) \tilde{A}_1^a \tilde{B}_{1c} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} (f_{5a}{}^{bc} \tilde{\alpha}_0^a + f_6{}^{abc} \tilde{\beta}_{0a}) \tilde{B}_{1b} \tilde{B}_{1c} + (f_{1b}{}^i \tilde{\alpha}_0^b + f_2{}^{ia} \tilde{\beta}_{0a}) \tilde{B}_{2i}, \tag{5}
\end{aligned}$$

## Procedure 4. 2D AKSZ Action

We need a new theory.

## §6. The Poisson sigma model with a 2-form

$$S_t = \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \tilde{B}_{1A} d\tilde{\Phi}^A + \frac{1}{2} F^{AB}(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{B}_{1A} \tilde{B}_{1B} + G^A(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{B}_{2A}, \quad (6)$$

where  $\tilde{B}_{2A}$  is a total degree 2 superfield. The reduced action (5) is obtained by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Phi}^A &= (\tilde{\phi}^i, \tilde{\beta}_{0a}, \tilde{\alpha}_0^b), \tilde{B}_{1A} = (\tilde{\beta}_{1i}, \tilde{A}_1^a, \tilde{B}_{1b}), \tilde{B}_{2A} = (\tilde{B}_{2i}, 0, 0), \\ F^{AB} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -f_{1c}^i & -f_2^{id} \\ f_{1a}^j & f_{3ace} \tilde{\alpha}_0^e + f_{4ac}^e \tilde{\beta}_{0e} & -f_{4ae}^d \tilde{\alpha}_0^e + f_{5a}^{de} \tilde{\beta}_{0e} \\ f_2^{jb} & f_{4be}^c \tilde{\alpha}_0^e - f_{5b}^{ce} \tilde{\beta}_{0e} & f_{5e}^{bd} \tilde{\alpha}_0^e + f_6^{bde} \tilde{\beta}_{0e} \end{pmatrix}, \\ G^A &= (f_{1b}^i \tilde{\alpha}_0^b + f_2^{ia} \tilde{\beta}_{0a}, 0, 0), \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

We take  $A = (i, a, b)$  indices on  $M$ ,  $E_{\tilde{\phi}}^*$  and  $E_{\tilde{\phi}}$ . The action (5) is a particular case of the action (6) on  $E \oplus E^*$ .

The action has the following gauge symmetry:

$$\delta\tilde{\Phi}^A = -F^{AB}c_B,$$

$$\delta\tilde{B}_{1A} = dc_A + \frac{\partial F^{BC}}{\partial\Phi^A}\tilde{B}_{1B}\tilde{B}_{1C} - \frac{\partial G^B}{\partial\Phi^A}t_B,$$

$$\delta\tilde{B}_{2A} = dt_A + U_A^{BC}(\tilde{B}_{1B}t_C - \tilde{B}_{2C}c_B) + \frac{1}{2}X_A^{BCD}\tilde{B}_{1B}\tilde{B}_{1C}c_D,$$

where  $c_A$  is a gauge parameter with the total degree 1 and  $t_A$  is a gauge parameter with the total degree 2.  $X_A^{BCD}$  is completely antisymmetric with respect to the indices  $BCD$ .

In fact, the action  $S$  is gauge invariant

$$\delta S_t = \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} d(c_A d\Phi_A + G^A t_A),$$

if and only if  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $U$  and  $X$  satisfy the identities

$$F^{D[A} \frac{\partial F^{BC]} }{\partial \Phi^D} = G^D X_D^{ABC}.$$

$$F^{AB} \frac{\partial G^C}{\partial \Phi^A} + U_A^{BC} G^A = 0,$$

Deformation of the Poisson bivector by the 3-forms  $G^D X_D^{ABC}$ .

cf. WZ Poisson sigma model

Klimcik, Strobl '01

## §7. AKSZ action of the Poisson sigma model with a 2-form

- Fields  $\longrightarrow$  Superfields

$$\tilde{B}_{1A} = \tilde{B}_{1A}^{(1)} + \tilde{B}_{1A} + \tilde{B}_{1A}^{(-1)},$$

$$\tilde{\Phi}^A = \Phi^A + \Phi^{(-1)A} + \Phi^{(-2)A},$$

$$\tilde{B}_{2A} = \tilde{B}_{2i}^{(2)} + \tilde{B}_{2i}^{(1)} + \tilde{B}_{2i}$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A = \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{(-1)i} + \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{(-2)i} + \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{(-3)i}$$

where  $|\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A| = -1$ .

- **P-structure** (Antibracket)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (F, G) = & F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{\Phi}^A} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{B}_{1A}} G - F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{B}_{1A}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{\Phi}^A} G \\
 & + F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{B}_{2A}} G, -F \frac{\overleftarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{B}_{2A}} \frac{\overrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A} G
 \end{aligned}$$

- **BV Action**  $S = S_0 + S_1$

$$S_0 = \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \tilde{B}_{1A} d\tilde{\Phi}^A - \tilde{B}_{2A} d\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A,$$



## Procedure to obtain $S_1$

1. Consider most general (consistent) deformation of  $S_0 \longrightarrow S$  in the sense of BBH. (Write down all the possible terms)
2. The BV action of  $S_t$  is a particular case of the resulting action  $S$ .
3. If  $S|_{\text{gh}S=0} = S_0 + S_1|_{\text{gh}S=0} = S_t$ , it is the correct AKSZ action.

Def:  $\text{neg}(F)$ : a *negative total degree* of a superfield  $F$   
 $\text{neg}(\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A) = 1$  and  $\text{neg}(\text{other superfields}) = 0$

We expand  $S_1$  by the negative total degrees:

$$S_1 = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} S_1^{(p)} = \sum_{p=0}^{\dim M} \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \mathcal{L}_1^{(p)} = \sum_p \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{i_1} \cdots \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^{i_p} \mathcal{L}_{i_1 \dots i_p}^{(p)}(\tilde{\Phi}, \tilde{B}_1, \tilde{B}_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (S_0, S_1) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \mathcal{L}_1^{(0)} &= \frac{1}{2} f_1^{AB}(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{B}_{1A} \tilde{B}_{1B} + f_2^A(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{B}_{2A}, \\ \mathcal{L}_1^{(1)} &= \frac{1}{3!} f_{3A}^{BCD}(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A \tilde{B}_{1B} \tilde{B}_{1C} \tilde{B}_{1D} \\ &\quad + f_{4A}^{BC}(\tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^A \tilde{B}_{1B} \tilde{B}_{2C}, \\ \mathcal{L}_1^{(2)} &= \cdots, \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

and so on, where  $f_i(\tilde{\Phi})$  is a function of  $\tilde{\Phi}^A$ .

$$(S_1, S_1) = \sum_p (S_1, S_1)^{(p)} = 0, \quad (9)$$

determines the identities of  $f_i(\Phi)$  recursively, where  $(S_1, S_1)^{(p)}$  is the negative total degree  $p$  part of  $(S_1, S_1)$ .

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0-th order:

$$(S_1, S_1)^{(0)} = 0 \implies f_1^{D[A} \frac{\partial f_1^{BC]} }{\partial \Phi^D} - f_2^D f_{3D}^{ABC} = 0,$$

$$f_1^{AB} \frac{\partial f_2^C}{\partial \Phi^A} + f_{4A}^{BC} f_2^A = 0.$$

$$f_1^{AB} = F^{AB}, \quad f_2^A = G^A,$$

$$f_{3A}^{BCD} = X_A^{BCD}, \quad f_{4A}^{BC} = U_A^{BC},$$

$$S|_{\text{gh}S=0} = S_t.$$

The action obtained by deformation is the correct action compatible with dimensional reduction. Substitute (7).

## §8. Application – Generalized Complex Structure

3D topological sigma model with a generalized complex structure on  $TM \oplus T^*M$  ( $H = 0$ ): N.I. '04

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \int_{\Pi TX} -\frac{1}{2} \langle 0 + \mathbf{B}_2, d(\phi + 0) \rangle + \frac{1}{4} \langle \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}_1, d(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}_1) \rangle \\
 &\quad - \langle 0 + \mathbf{B}_2, \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}_1) \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{A}_1^i \frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \phi^i} (\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}_1) \rangle \\
 &= \int_{\Pi TX} -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B}_{2i} d\phi^i + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B}_{1i} d\mathbf{A}_1^i - J^i_j \mathbf{B}_{2i} \mathbf{A}_1^j - P^{ij} \mathbf{B}_{2i} \mathbf{B}_{1j} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial Q_{jk}}{\partial \phi^i} \mathbf{A}_1^i \mathbf{A}_1^j \mathbf{A}_1^k + \frac{1}{2} \left( -\frac{\partial J^k_j}{\partial \phi^i} + \frac{\partial J^k_i}{\partial \phi^j} \right) \mathbf{A}_1^i \mathbf{A}_1^j \mathbf{B}_{1k} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \phi^i} \mathbf{A}_1^i \mathbf{B}_{1j} \mathbf{B}_{1k}.
 \end{aligned}$$

is derived by setting,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{1j}{}^i &= -J^i{}_j, & f_{2}{}^{ij} &= -P^{ij}, & f_{3ijk} &= \frac{\partial Q_{jk}}{\partial \phi^i} + \frac{\partial Q_{ki}}{\partial \phi^j} + \frac{\partial Q_{ij}}{\partial \phi^k}, \\
f_{4ij}{}^k &= -\frac{\partial J^k{}_j}{\partial \phi^i} + \frac{\partial J^k{}_i}{\partial \phi^j}, & f_{5i}{}^{jk} &= \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \phi^i}, & f_6{}^{ijk} &= 0,
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

in the Courant sigma model, where  $\mathcal{J}$  is a generalized complex structure:

$$\mathcal{J} = \begin{pmatrix} J & P \\ Q & -{}^t J \end{pmatrix}.$$

$(S, S) = 0 \iff \mathcal{J}$  is a generalized complex structure.

This action derives the Zucchini model (the Hitchin sigma model) as a boundary action if  $\Sigma = \partial X$ : Zucchini '04

$$S_Z = \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i + J^i_j \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^j + \frac{1}{2} P^{ij} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1i} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1j} + \frac{1}{2} Q_{ij} d\tilde{\phi}^i d\tilde{\phi}^j$$

- Dimensional reduction provides a new 2D action with GCS

$$S_0 = \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \frac{1}{2} \left( \tilde{\beta}_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i - \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{2i} d\tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i + \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1i} d\tilde{\alpha}_0^i + \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1^i d\tilde{\beta}_{0i} \right)$$

$$S_1^{(0)} = \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} -J^i_j \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1^j \tilde{\beta}_{1i} + P^{ij} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{1i} \tilde{\beta}_{1j}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{\partial Q_{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} + \frac{\partial Q_{ij}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^k} + \frac{\partial Q_{ki}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \right) \tilde{\alpha}_0^k + \left( -\frac{\partial J^k_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} + \frac{\partial J^k_i}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \right) \tilde{\beta}_{0k} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \tilde{A}_1^i \tilde{A}_1^j + \left( \left( \frac{\partial J^k_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} - \frac{\partial J^k_i}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \right) \tilde{\alpha}_0^j - \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\beta}_{0j} \right) \tilde{A}_1^i \tilde{B}_{1k} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\alpha}_0^i \right) \tilde{B}_{1j} \tilde{B}_{1k} - \left( J^i_j \tilde{\alpha}_0^j + P^{ij} \tilde{\beta}_{0j} \right) \tilde{B}_{2i}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_1^{(1)} &= \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^l \left[ \frac{\partial J^i_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{B}_{2i} \tilde{A}_1^j + \frac{\partial P^{ij}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{B}_{2i} \tilde{B}_{1j} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Q_{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i \partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{A}_1^i \tilde{A}_1^j \tilde{A}_1^k \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \left( -\frac{\partial J^k_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} + \frac{\partial J^k_i}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \right) \tilde{A}_1^i \tilde{A}_1^j \tilde{B}_{1k} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i \partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{A}_1^i \tilde{B}_{1j} \tilde{B}_{1k} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

$$S_1^{(2)} = \dots,$$



## §9. Two Special Reductions to Complex Geometry and Symplectic Geometry

- $P = Q = 0$  (Complex geometry)

$(S, S) = 0 \iff J = \text{complex structure}$

This condition is invariant under the redefinition ( $\lambda$ : constant):

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\phi}^i &= \tilde{\phi}^i, & \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i &= \lambda \tilde{\phi}'_{-1}^i, \\ \tilde{B}_{2i} &= \lambda \tilde{B}'_{2i}, & \tilde{\beta}_{1i} &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\beta}'_{1i}, \\ \tilde{A}_1^i &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{A}'_1^i, & \tilde{\alpha}_0^i &= \lambda \tilde{\alpha}'_0^i, \\ \tilde{B}_{1i} &= \lambda \tilde{B}'_{1i}, & \tilde{\beta}_{0i} &= -\tilde{\beta}'_{0i},\end{aligned}\tag{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0 &= \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \frac{1}{4} \left( \tilde{\beta}'_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i - \tilde{A}'_1{}^i d\tilde{\beta}'_{0i} \right) + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \left( -\tilde{B}'_{2i} d\tilde{\phi}'_{-1}{}^i + \tilde{B}'_{1i} d\tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^i \right), \\
S_1^{(0)} &= \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \frac{1}{4} \left( J^i{}_j \tilde{\beta}'_{1i} \tilde{A}'_1{}^j + \frac{\partial J^k{}_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\beta}'_{0k} \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{A}'_1{}^j \right) \\
&\quad + \lambda^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial J^k{}_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^j \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{B}'_{1k} - J^i{}_j \tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^j \tilde{B}'_{2i} \right), \\
S_1^{(1)} &= \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \lambda \tilde{\phi}'_{-1}{}^l \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{\partial J^i{}_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{B}'_{2i} \tilde{A}'_1{}^j + \frac{\lambda}{4} \frac{\partial^2 J^k{}_j}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l \partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{A}'_1{}^j \tilde{B}'_{1k} \right],
\end{aligned}$$

$$S_1^{(p)} \sim \lambda^p.$$

If  $\lambda \longrightarrow 0$ ,  $S_1^{(p)} \longrightarrow 0$  for  $p > 0$ . The 2D action is

$$S_J = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\Pi T\Sigma} \tilde{\beta}_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i - \tilde{A}_1^i d\tilde{\beta}_{0i} + J^i_j \tilde{\beta}_{1i} \tilde{A}_1^j + \frac{\partial J^i_k}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \tilde{\beta}_{0i} \tilde{A}_1^j \tilde{A}_1^k .$$

This action is nothing but the [B-model](#) action on  $T^*[1](T^*M)$  in AKSZ.

$$(S_J, S_J) = 0 \iff J = \text{complex structure.}$$

- $J = 0$  (Symplectic(Poisson) geometry)

$$(S, S) = 0 \iff Q = P^{-1} = \text{symplectic structure}$$

The condition is invariant under the redefinition: ( $\mu$ : constant.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\phi}^i &= \tilde{\phi}^i, & \tilde{\phi}_{-1}^i &= \mu \tilde{\phi}'_{-1}{}^i, \\
 \tilde{B}_{2i} &= \mu \tilde{B}'_{2i}, & \tilde{\beta}_{1i} &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\beta}'_{1i}, \\
 \tilde{A}_1{}^i &= \mu \tilde{A}'_1{}^i, & \tilde{\alpha}_0{}^i &= \tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^i, \\
 \tilde{B}_{1i} &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{B}'_{1i}, & \tilde{\beta}_{0i} &= -\mu \tilde{\beta}'_{0i},
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0 &= \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \frac{1}{4} \left( \tilde{\beta}'_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i + \tilde{B}'_{1i} d\tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^i \right) + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \left( -\tilde{B}'_{2i} d\tilde{\phi}'_{-1}{}^i - \tilde{A}'_1{}^i d\tilde{\beta}'_{0i} \right) \\
S_1^{(0)} &= \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \frac{1}{4} \left( P^{ij} \tilde{B}'_{1i} \tilde{\beta}'_{1j} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^i \tilde{B}'_{1j} \tilde{B}'_{1k} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\beta}'_{0j} \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{B}'_{1k} \\
&\quad + \mu^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial Q_{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} + \frac{\partial Q_{ij}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^k} + \frac{\partial Q_{ki}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^j} \right) \tilde{\alpha}'_0{}^k \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{A}'_1{}^j + P^{ij} \tilde{\beta}'_{0j} \tilde{B}'_{2i} \right), \\
S_1^{(1)} &= \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \mu \tilde{\phi}'_{-1}{}^l \left[ \frac{\mu}{2} \frac{\partial P^{ij}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{B}'_{2i} \tilde{B}'_{1j} - \frac{\mu^3}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Q_{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i \partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{A}'_1{}^j \tilde{A}'_1{}^k \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{\mu}{8} \frac{\partial^2 P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i \partial \tilde{\phi}^l} \tilde{A}'_1{}^i \tilde{B}'_{1j} \tilde{B}'_{1k} \right],
\end{aligned}$$

$$S_1^{(p)} \sim \mu^p.$$

If  $\mu \longrightarrow 0$ ,  $S_1^{(p)} \longrightarrow 0$  for  $p > 0$ .

After taking the limit  $\mu \longrightarrow 0$  with preserving the symplectic structure,  $S_1^{(p)}$  for  $p > 0$  reduces to zero, and the 2D action is

$$S_P = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\Pi T \Sigma} \tilde{\beta}_{1i} d\tilde{\phi}^i + \tilde{B}_{1i} d\tilde{\alpha}_0^i + P^{ij} \tilde{B}_{1i} \tilde{\beta}_{1j} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial P^{jk}}{\partial \tilde{\phi}^i} \tilde{\alpha}_0^i \tilde{B}_{1j} \tilde{B}_{1k}. \quad (13)$$

$$(S_P, S_P) = 0 \iff P^{ij} = \text{Poisson}$$

This action on  $T^*[1](TM)$  is a different realization of a Poisson structure from  $A$ -model (the Poisson sigma model).

## §10. Summary and Outlook

- We have obtained a systematic method to construct a new topological field theory including superfields with the negative total degree by the AKSZ formalism, which is compatible with dimensional reduction.
- We have obtained one-parameter families of topological sigma models with a complex structure or a symplectic structure.
- Dimensional reduction via the AKSZ formalism (or the BV formalism) does not work. We need a general formalism.
- Quantization is direct and clear as a physical theory but

the calculation is complicated and the mathematical structure is unknown.

- A general theory in general dimensions is not constructed.