

EXCEPTIONAL SMOOTH BOL LOOPS

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One new class of smooth Bol loops, exceptional Bol loops, is introduced and studied. The approach to the Campbell-Hausdorff formula is outlined. Bol-Bruck loops and Moufang loops are exceptional which justifies our consideration.

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1. Basic differential equations. We consider a C^3 -smooth (and, consequently, C^ω -smooth) right Bol loop $\mathfrak{Q} = \langle Q, \cdot, \varepsilon \rangle$ with the defining identity $\gamma \cdot [(b \cdot x) \cdot b] = [(\gamma \cdot b) \cdot x] \cdot b$ (right Bol identity), or, in another form, $R_b * R_x * R_b = R_{(b \cdot x) \cdot b}$, $R_b z \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} z \cdot b$. (Here $(f * g)\gamma = (g \circ f)\gamma = g(f(\gamma))$.)

The differential equation of a right Bol loop is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 -A_\sigma^\beta(x) \frac{\partial(x \cdot \gamma)^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} + 2\Gamma_\sigma^\beta(\gamma) \frac{\partial(x \cdot \gamma)^\alpha}{\partial \gamma^\beta} &= A_\sigma^\alpha(x \cdot \gamma), \\
 A_\tau^\mu(z) &= \left[\frac{\partial(z \cdot b)^\mu}{\partial b^\tau} \right]_{b=\varepsilon}, \quad a_\tau^\mu(z) = \left[\frac{\partial(b \cdot z)^\mu}{\partial b^\tau} \right]_{b=\varepsilon}, \\
 \Gamma_\tau^\mu(z) &= \frac{1}{2} [A_\tau^\mu(z) + a_\tau^\mu(z)].
 \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

See [1, Chapter 5].

According to general theory, the conditions of integrability for (1.1) are

$$[A_\alpha, [A_\beta, A_\gamma]] = \rho_{\alpha, \beta \gamma}^\nu A_\nu, \quad A_\nu(x) = A_\nu^\tau(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\tau}, \quad \rho_{\alpha, \beta \gamma}^\nu = \text{const.}, \tag{1.2}$$

where A_ν is the so-called basic left fundamental vector fields. Evidently $A_\mu^\nu(\varepsilon) = \delta_\mu^\nu$.

Since a C^3 -smooth right Bol loop is right monoalternative, that is, $(a \cdot tb) \cdot ub = a \cdot (t + u)b$, where $tb = \text{Exp}$

$$[(\text{Exp } t\zeta)^\alpha]' = A_\lambda^\alpha(\text{Exp } t\zeta)\zeta^\lambda, \quad (\text{Exp } t\zeta)|_{t=0} = \varepsilon, \tag{1.3}$$

we get the differential equation

$$[(a \cdot tb)^\alpha]' = A_\beta^\alpha(a \cdot tb)(\text{Exp}^{-1} b)^\beta, \quad a \cdot 0b = a, \tag{1.4}$$

(see [1, Propositions 4.12, 4.22]), allowing to restore the law of composition $a \cdot b = \psi(a, b, 1)$, where $\psi(a, b, t) = a \cdot tb$ is the solution of (1.4) with the initial condition $\psi(a, b, 0) = a$.

2. Conditions of integrability. Now we introduce

$$[A_\alpha, A_\beta](x) = c_{\alpha\beta}^y(x)A_y(x), \quad c_\beta^y(x) = (\text{Exp}^{-1}x)^\alpha c_{\alpha\beta}^y(x). \tag{2.1}$$

Then (1.2) means $A_\alpha(x)(c_{\beta y}^v(x)A_v(x)) - c_{\beta y}^v(x)A_v(x)A_\alpha(x) = \rho_{\alpha,\beta y}^\mu A_\mu(x)$, or

$$A_\alpha^\sigma(x) \frac{\partial c_{\beta y}^\mu(x)}{\partial x^\sigma} + c_{\beta y}^v(x)c_{\alpha v}^\mu(x) = \rho_{\alpha,\beta y}^\mu. \tag{2.2}$$

Taking $x = tb$ and contracting both parts with $(\text{Exp}^{-1}b)^\alpha$, $(\text{Exp}^{-1}b)^\beta$, in normal coordinates $((\text{Exp}^{-1}b)^\nu = b^\nu)$, we get

$$b^\alpha A_\alpha^\sigma(tb) \frac{\partial \{b^\beta c_{\beta y}^\mu(tb)\}}{\partial (tb)^\sigma} + b^\beta c_{\beta y}^v(tb)b^\alpha c_{\alpha v}^\mu(tb) = \rho_{\alpha,\beta y}^\mu b^\alpha b^\beta. \tag{2.3}$$

According to (1.4), $(\text{Exp}^{-1}b)^\alpha A_\alpha^\sigma(tb) = d(tb)^\sigma / dt$, and, instead of (2.3), we have

$$(c_y^\mu)' + c_v^\mu c_y^v = \rho_y^\mu, \quad c_v^\mu|_{t=0} = c_v^\mu, \tag{2.4}$$

$$c_y^\mu = b^\beta c_{\beta y}^\mu(tb), \quad \rho_y^\mu = b^\alpha b^\beta \rho_{\alpha,\beta y}^\mu, \quad c_y^\mu = b^\beta c_{\beta y}^\mu(\varepsilon). \tag{2.5}$$

Thus c_y^μ may be obtained as the unique solution of the differential equation (2.4).

3. Conditions on fundamental vector fields. In accordance with the general theory, [1, Chapter 4], the fields A_ν ($\nu = 1, \dots, r$), or matrix $A_\nu^\mu(x)$, can be uniquely restored by c_y^μ in normal coordinates $((\text{Exp}b) = b)$. For this we should consider $B_\sigma^\nu(x)$, the inverse of $A_\nu^\mu(x)$, and, further, solve the equation

$$[tB_\mu^\lambda(tb)]' = \delta_\mu^\lambda - c_\mu^\sigma [tB_\sigma^\lambda(tb)], \quad tB_\mu^\lambda|_{t=0} = 0. \tag{3.1}$$

It gives us $B_\mu^\lambda(tb)$ in normal coordinates, as well as its inverse $A_\sigma^\lambda(tb)$.

4. Matrix form of differential equations. As a result, regarding

$$\bar{c} = \|b^\beta c_{\beta y}^\mu(\varepsilon)\|_{\mu,y=1,2,\dots,r}, \quad \bar{\rho} = \|\rho_{\alpha,\beta y}^\mu b^\alpha b^\beta\|_{\mu,y=1,2,\dots,r} \tag{4.1}$$

as given, we should solve, first, the equation

$$\bar{c}' + \bar{c}^2 = \bar{\rho}, \quad \bar{c}|_{t=0} = \bar{c}, \tag{4.2}$$

which is the matrix form of (2.4) and, further, solve the equation

$$[t\bar{B}(tb)]' = \bar{\text{Id}} - [t\bar{B}(tb)]\bar{c}, \quad t\bar{B}|_{t=0} = \bar{0}, \tag{4.3}$$

which is the matrix form of (3.1).

The solution of (4.2) may be presented as a series decomposition depending on \bar{c} and $\bar{\rho}$, but the formulas are rather complicated, since \bar{c} and $\bar{\rho}$ do not commute in general.

5. Bol loops of special type. If \mathfrak{Q} is a Bol-Bruck loop, we have $\bar{\bar{c}} = 0$, due to the automorphic inverse property $(x \cdot y)^{-1} = x^{-1} \cdot y^{-1}$, valid for any Bol-Bruck loop.

Indeed, differentiating the above relation by x and y at $x = y = \varepsilon$, we get $c_{\beta y}^{\alpha}(\varepsilon) = 0$ and, further, $\bar{\bar{c}} = 0$.

In the Moufang case we have, see [1, Chapter 6, (6.12)], $\bar{\bar{\rho}} = \bar{\bar{c}}^2$. Thus for Bol-Bruck and Moufang cases, in normal coordinates, we have

$$\bar{\bar{\rho}}\bar{\bar{c}} = \bar{\bar{c}}\bar{\bar{\rho}}, \quad \bar{\bar{c}} = \|b^{\beta}c_{\beta y}^{\mu}(\varepsilon)\|, \quad \bar{\bar{\rho}} = \|\rho_{\alpha, \beta y}^{\mu}b^{\alpha}b^{\beta}\|. \quad (5.1)$$

DEFINITION 5.1. A right Bol loop satisfying (5.1) is called exceptional.

REMARK 5.2. The question if the exceptional Bol loops may be described in the terms of identities depending on loop (or odule) operations only, is open.

REMARK 5.3. Of course, (5.1) may be rewritten as identity on $c_{\beta y}^{\mu}(\varepsilon)$ and $\rho_{\alpha, \beta y}^{\mu}$ which, together with the identities of a right Bol algebra, defines an *exceptional Bol algebra*.

6. Explicit form of structure functions. For an exceptional Bol algebra, due to (5.1), the solution of (4.2) is, evidently,

$$\bar{\bar{c}} = \bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2} \tanh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right), \quad \bar{\bar{a}} = \tanh^{-1}\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{-1/2}\bar{\bar{c}}\right), \quad (6.1)$$

and may be expressed as

$$\bar{\bar{c}} = \left[\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2} \tanh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t\right) + \bar{\bar{c}}\right] \left[\text{Id} + \bar{\bar{c}}\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{-1/2} \tanh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t\right)\right)\right]^{-1}. \quad (6.2)$$

Of course, (6.1) or (6.2) should be understood in the right way: there is no need for the existence of $\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}$, since the final result in the form of the series depends only on $\bar{\bar{\rho}}$.

7. Explicit form of basic vector fields. Now we solve (4.3), where $\bar{\bar{c}}$ is given by (6.1),

$$\left[t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb)\right]' = \bar{\bar{\text{Id}}} - \left[t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb)\right]\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2} \tanh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right), \quad t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb)|_{t=0} = \bar{\bar{0}}, \quad (7.1)$$

or

$$\left[t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb) \cosh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right)\right]' = \cosh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right), \quad t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb)|_{t=0} = \bar{\bar{0}}. \quad (7.2)$$

Thus

$$t\bar{\bar{B}}(tb) \cosh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right) = \bar{\bar{\rho}}^{-1/2} \sinh\left(\bar{\bar{\rho}}^{1/2}t + \bar{\bar{a}}\right) + \bar{\bar{D}}. \quad (7.3)$$

Since $[t\bar{B}(tb)]|_{t=0} = \bar{0}$, we get $\bar{D} = -\bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \sinh \bar{a}$, and, at $t = 1$, we have

$$\bar{B}(b) = \bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \frac{\left[\sinh \left(\bar{\rho}^{1/2} + \bar{a} \right) - \sinh \bar{a} \right]}{\left[\cosh \left(\bar{\rho}^{1/2} + \bar{a} \right) \right]}, \quad \bar{a} = \tanh^{-1} \left(\bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \bar{c} \right). \quad (7.4)$$

Or, using the formulas of hyperbolic trigonometry, we get

$$\bar{B}(b) = \bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \frac{\left(\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} - \text{Id} \right) \tanh \bar{a} + \sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2}}{\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} + \left(\sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} \right) \tanh \bar{a}}, \quad (7.5)$$

and, by (7.4),

$$\bar{B}(b) = \frac{\bar{\rho}^{-1} \left(\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} - \text{Id} \right) \bar{c} + \bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2}}{\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} + \left(\bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} \right) \bar{c}}, \quad \bar{\rho}_\beta^\alpha = \rho_{\mu, \nu \beta}^\alpha b^\mu b^\nu. \quad (7.6)$$

As a result,

$$\bar{A}(b) = \bar{B}^{-1}(b) = \frac{\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} + \left(\bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} \right) \bar{c}}{\bar{\rho}^{-1} \left(\cosh \bar{\rho}^{1/2} - \text{Id} \right) \bar{c} + \bar{\rho}^{-1/2} \sinh \bar{\rho}^{1/2}}, \quad (7.7)$$

meaning that $\bar{A}(b) = \text{Id} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \bar{a}_k(\bar{\rho})^k$, where \bar{a}_k depends on \bar{c} only.

8. Analogue of the Campbell-Hausdorff decomposition. Now, using the differential equation (1.4) in normal coordinates (i.e., $(\text{Exp}^{-1} b)^\mu = b^\mu$), we may obtain by successive differentiation with respect to t :

$$\frac{d^k (a \cdot tb)^\alpha}{dt^k} = \{A_{\sigma_1} A_{\sigma_2} \cdots A_{\sigma_k} (a \cdot tb)^\alpha\} b^{\sigma_1} b^{\sigma_2} \cdots b^{\sigma_k}. \quad (8.1)$$

As a result the Taylor decomposition

$$(a \cdot b)^\alpha = a^\alpha + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} (A_{\sigma_1} A_{\sigma_2} \cdots A_{\sigma_m} a)^\alpha b^{\sigma_1} b^{\sigma_2} \cdots b^{\sigma_m} \quad (8.2)$$

is valid for an appropriate neighbourhood of $(0, \dots, 0)$.

Taking $A_\sigma(a) = A_\sigma^\vee(a) \partial / \partial a^\vee$, where the matrix $A_\sigma^\vee(a)$ is defined by (7.7), we get the analogue of the Campbell-Hausdorff series for a smooth exceptional right Bol loop. Certain technical efforts would allow us to obtain an explicit expression of the coefficients $(A_{\sigma_1} A_{\sigma_2} \cdots A_{\sigma_m} a)^\alpha$ for an exceptional right Bol loop which would lead to the analogue of the Dynkin formula from the Lie group theory.

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