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## ON SECOND ORDER HAMILTONIAN SYSTEMS

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ABSTRACT. The aim of the paper is to announce some recent results concerning Hamiltonian theory. The case of second order Euler–Lagrange form non-affine in the second derivatives is studied. Its related second order Hamiltonian systems and geometrical correspondence between solutions of Hamilton and Euler–Lagrange equations are found.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this paper is to announce some recent result in Hamiltonian field theory. We work within the framework of Krupka’s theory of Lagrange structures on fibered manifolds [1] and Krupková’s Hamiltonian systems (e.g., Lepagean equivalent of Euler–Lagrange form)[3].

In [3] Krupková proposed a concept of a Hamiltonian system, which, contrary to usual approach (c.f. Shadwick [6]), is not related with a single Lagrangian, but rather with an Euler–Lagrange form (i.e., with the class of equivalent Lagrangians, possibly of different orders). Using the concept she formulated a Hamiltonian field theory and studied the corresponding geometric structures [2], [3], [4].

In this paper we are interested in non-affine second order Euler–Lagrange equations which give rise to second order Lepagean equivalents (i.e., Hamiltonian systems). All these Hamiltonian systems have a special structure of their principal part (i.e., at most 2-contact part). The principal part admits a noninvariant decomposition  $\hat{\alpha} = \hat{\alpha}_E + \hat{\alpha}_C$ , where  $\hat{\alpha}_E$  depends on the Euler–Lagrange form, and  $\hat{\alpha}_C$  does not depend on the Euler–Lagrange form. The arising Hamilton equations depend not only on the Euler–Lagrange form, but also on some “free” functions, which correspond to the choice of a concrete Hamiltonian system. A very interesting property of Hamiltonian systems is regularity. In the case studied in this paper Hamiltonian systems cannot be regular. We study a weaker correspondence between solutions of Euler–Lagrange and Hamilton equations. The condition for Hamilton extremals satisfying  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta = J^1\gamma$  is found. We note that the condition depends on the choice of a Hamiltonian system (i.e., on some “free” functions).

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This consideration is illustrated on an example of “quadratic” Euler–Lagrange equations.

Throughout the paper all manifolds and mappings are smooth and summation convention is used. We consider a fibered manifold (i.e., surjective submersion)  $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$ ,  $\dim X = n$ ,  $\dim Y = n + m$ , its  $r$ -jet prolongation  $\pi_r : J^r Y \rightarrow X$ ,  $r \geq 1$  and canonical jet projections  $\pi_{r,k} : J^r Y \rightarrow J^k Y$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq r$  (with an obvious notation  $J^0 Y = Y$ ). A fibered chart on  $Y$  (resp. associated fibered chart on  $J^r Y$ ) is denoted by  $(V, \psi)$ ,  $\psi = (x^i, y^\sigma)$  (resp.  $(V_r, \psi_r)$ ,  $\psi_r = (x^i, y^\sigma, y_i^\sigma, \dots, y_{i_1 \dots i_r}^\sigma)$ ).

A vector field  $\xi$  on  $J^r Y$  is called  $\pi_r$ -vertical if it projects onto the zero vector field on  $X$ . A  $q$ -form  $\eta$  on  $J^r Y$  is called  $\pi_r$ -horizontal if  $i_\xi \eta = 0$  for every  $\pi_r$ -vertical vector field  $\xi$  on  $J^r Y$ .

A  $q$ -form  $\eta$  on  $J^r Y$  is called *contact* if  $h\eta = 0$ . A contact  $q$ -form  $\eta$  on  $J^r Y$  is called *1-contact* if for every  $\pi_r$ -vertical vector field  $\xi$  on  $J^r Y$  the  $(q - 1)$ -form  $i_\xi \eta$  is horizontal. A contact  $q$ -form  $\eta$  on  $J^r Y$  is called  *$i$ -contact* if for every  $\pi_r$ -vertical vector field  $\xi$  on  $J^r Y$  the  $(q - 1)$ -form  $i_\xi \eta$  is  $(i - 1)$ -contact.

Recall that every  $q$ -form  $\eta$  on  $J^r Y$  admits a unique (canonical) decomposition into a sum of  $q$ -forms on  $J^{r+1} Y$  as follows:

$$\pi_{r+1,r}^* \eta = h\eta + \sum_{k=1}^q p_k \eta,$$

where  $h\eta$  is a horizontal form, called the *horizontal part of  $\eta$* , and  $p_k \eta$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq q$ , is a  *$k$ -contact part of  $\eta$*  (see [1]).

We use the following notations:

$$\omega_0 = dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n, \quad \omega_i = i_{\partial/\partial x^i} \omega_0, \quad \omega_{ij} = i_{\partial/\partial x^j} \omega_i, \dots$$

and

$$\omega^\sigma = dy^\sigma - y_j^\sigma dx^j, \dots, \quad \omega_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k}^\sigma = dy_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k}^\sigma - y_{i_2 \dots i_k j}^\sigma dx^j$$

For more details on fibered manifolds and the corresponding geometric structures we refer e.g. to [5].

In this section we briefly recall basic concepts on Lepagean equivalents of Euler–Lagrange forms and generalized Hamiltonian field theory, due to Krupková [2], [3], [4].

By an  *$r$ -th order Lagrangian* we shall mean a horizontal  $n$ -form  $\lambda$  on  $J^r Y$ .

A *closed  $(n + 1)$ -form  $\alpha$*  is called a *Lepagean equivalent of an Euler–Lagrange form*  $E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0$  if  $p_1 \alpha = E$ .

Recall that the Euler–Lagrange form corresponding to an  $r$ -th order Lagrangian  $\lambda = L\omega_0$  is the following  $(n + 1)$ -form of order  $\leq 2r$

$$(1) \quad E = \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial y^\sigma} - \sum_{l=1}^r (-1)^l d_{p_1} d_{p_2} \dots d_{p_l} \frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{p_1 \dots p_l}^\sigma} \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0.$$

The family of Lepagean equivalents of  $E$  is also called a *Lagrangian system*, and denoted by  $[\alpha]$ . The corresponding Euler–Lagrange equations now take the form

$$(2) \quad J^s \gamma^* i_{J^s \xi} \alpha = 0 \quad \text{for every } \pi - \text{vertical vector field } \xi \text{ on } Y,$$

where  $\alpha$  is any representative of order  $s$  of the class  $[\alpha]$ . A (single) Lepagean equivalent  $\alpha$  of  $E$  on  $J^sY$  is also called a *Hamiltonian system of order  $s$*  and the equations

$$(3) \quad \delta^* i_\xi \alpha = 0 \quad \text{for every } \pi_s\text{-vertical vector field } \xi \text{ on } J^sY$$

are called *Hamilton equations*. They represent equations for integral sections  $\delta$  (called *Hamilton extremals*) of the *Hamiltonian ideal*, generated by the system  $\mathcal{D}_\alpha^s$  of  $n$ -forms  $i_\xi \alpha$ , where  $\xi$  runs over  $\pi_s$ -vertical vector fields on  $J^sY$ . Also, considering  $\pi_{s+1}$ -vertical vector fields on  $J^{s+1}Y$ , one has the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{\alpha}}^{s+1}$  of  $n$ -forms  $i_\xi \hat{\alpha}$  on  $J^{s+1}Y$ , where  $\hat{\alpha}$  (called *principal part* of  $\alpha$ ) denotes the at most 2-contact part of  $\alpha$ . Its integral sections which moreover annihilate all at least 2-contact forms, are called *Dedecker–Hamilton extremals*. It holds that if  $\gamma$  is an extremal then its  $s$ -prolongation (resp.  $(s + 1)$ -prolongation) is a Hamilton (resp. Dedecker–Hamilton) extremal, and (up to a projection) every Dedecker–Hamilton extremal is a Hamilton extremal.

## 2. SECOND ORDER HAMILTONIAN SYSTEMS

We shall consider a second order Euler–Lagrange form which is not affine in the second derivatives, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_\nu}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma \partial y_{pq}^\kappa} \neq 0.$$

As pointed out in [2] the Euler–Lagrange form affine in the second derivatives has first order Hamiltonian systems. In what follows, we shall study second order Hamiltonian systems corresponding to a Lepagean equivalent of such Euler–Lagrange form. The Hamiltonian systems admits a decomposition

$$(4) \quad \pi_{3,2}^* \alpha = \hat{\alpha} + \mu,$$

where  $\hat{\alpha} = p_1 \alpha + p_2 \alpha$  is the principal part of  $\alpha$ ,  $\mu$  is at least 2-contact part of  $\alpha$ .

In the following Proposition the stucture of the principal part of  $\alpha$  (4) is found.

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $\dim X \geq 2$ . Let  $E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0$  be a second order Euler–Lagrange form (nontrivially) of order 2, and  $\alpha$  its Lepagean equivalent of the form (4). Let the form*

$$(5) \quad \hat{\alpha} = E + F = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0 + A_{\sigma\nu}^i \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i + B_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_{kl}^\nu \wedge \omega_i + D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega_k^\sigma \wedge \omega_l^\nu \wedge \omega_i,$$

where

$$(6) \quad A_{\sigma\nu}^i = -A_{\nu\sigma}^i, \quad C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = C_{\nu\sigma}^{lki}, \quad D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = -D_{\nu\sigma}^{lki},$$

be the principal part of a Lepagean equivalent  $\alpha$  (4) of the Euler–Lagrange form  $E$ . Then the following conditions are satisfied

$$1) \quad \left( \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y^\nu} + d_i A_{\nu\sigma}^i \right)_{\text{Alt}(\sigma\nu)} = 0,$$

2) *Coefficient conditions:*

$$D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = \frac{1}{2} C_{\sigma\nu}^{kil} + d_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}, \quad \text{where } d_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \text{ are arbitrary functions satisfying } d_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = -d_{\nu\sigma}^{lki},$$

$A_{\sigma\nu}^k = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_k^\sigma} - d_i B_{\nu\sigma}^{ki} \right) - a_{\sigma\nu}^k$ , where  $a_{\sigma\nu}^k$  are arbitrary functions satisfying  $a_{\sigma\nu}^k = a_{\nu\sigma}^k$ ,

$B_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{kl}^\nu} - 2 \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma} - 2d_i (C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} - C_{\nu\sigma}^{lki} + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kil} - d_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}) + b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}$ , where  $b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}$  are arbitrary functions satisfying  $b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = -b_{\nu\sigma}^{lk}$  and  $b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = -b_{\nu\sigma}^{lk}$ ,

3) *Projectability conditions:*

$C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}, D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  do not depend on  $y_{kl}^\sigma$ ,  $(C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli})_{\text{Sym}(kli)} = 0$ ,

where  $\text{Alt}(\sigma\nu)$  means alternation in the indicated indices and  $\text{Sym}(kli)$  means symmetrization in the indicated indices

**Proof.** Proof of Proposition 1 follows from the explicit computation of  $d\alpha = 0$ .  $\square$

Note that the above Proposition means that the functions  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}, D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  do not depend on coefficients of the Euler–Lagrange form and  $\hat{\alpha}$  admits a noninvariant decomposition

$$(7) \quad \hat{\alpha} = \hat{\alpha}_E + \hat{\alpha}_C,$$

where

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0 + \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_i^\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} d_l \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{il}^\nu} - d_l \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{il}^\sigma} \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ + \left( \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{ki}^\nu} - \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{ki}^\sigma} \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i \end{aligned}$$

depends on derivatives of coefficients of the Euler–Lagrange form and

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_C = \left( -a_{\sigma\nu}^i + d_l d_p (C_{\nu\sigma}^{kip} + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kpi} - C_{\sigma\nu}^{kpi} + d_{\sigma\nu}^{kip}) \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ + \left( b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} + d_p (C_{\nu\sigma}^{kip} + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kpi} - C_{\sigma\nu}^{kpi} + d_{\sigma\nu}^{kip}) \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_{kl}^\nu \wedge \omega_i + \left( \frac{1}{2} C_{\sigma\nu}^{kil} + d_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_l^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \end{aligned}$$

does not depend on the Euler–Lagrange form.

A very interesting property of Hamiltonian systems is regularity. A Hamiltonian system of order  $s$  is called *regular* if the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_\alpha^{s+1}$  contains all the  $n$ -forms

$$\omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_i, \quad \omega_{(j_1}^\sigma \wedge \omega_i), \dots, \quad \omega_{(j_1 \dots j_{r_0-1}}^\sigma \wedge \omega_i),$$

where  $(\dots)$  means symmetrization in the indicated indices and  $r_0$  is the *minimal order* of Lagrangians corresponding to Euler–Lagrange form, [4]. Regularity can be rewritten as the correspondence  $\pi_{s,r_0} \circ \delta_D = J^{r_0} \gamma$ ,  $s \geq r_0$  between Dedecker–Hamilton extremals  $\delta_D$  and extremals  $\gamma$ .

We study the case  $s = 2$  and  $r_0 = 2$ . Unfortunately, these Hamiltonian systems cannot be regular. In this case regularity is a very strong condition. One can, indeed, study regularity of Hamiltonian systems for such second order Euler–Lagrange forms, however, regular Hamiltonian systems have to be considered to be of order  $\geq 3$ . In the following proposition a correspondence between solutions of

Euler–Lagrangange equations (2) (extremals of  $\lambda$ ) and solutions of Hamilton equations (3) (Dedecker–Hamilton and Hamilton extremals) is found which is weaker than regularity.

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $\dim X \geq 2$ . Let  $E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0$  the Euler–Lagrange form (nontrivially) of order 2, and  $\alpha$  of the form (4), (5), (6) be its Lepagean equivalent.*

*Assume that the matrix  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  with  $mn^2$  rows (resp.  $mn$  columns) labelled by  $\nu kl$  (resp.  $\sigma i$ ) has rank  $mn$ .*

*Then every Hamilton–Dedecker extremal  $\delta_D : V \supset \pi(U) \rightarrow J^2Y$  of the Hamiltonian system  $\alpha$  is of the form  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta_D = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .*

*If moreover  $\mu = 0$  in (4) then every Hamilton extremal  $\delta : V \supset \pi(U) \rightarrow J^2Y$  of the Hamiltonian system  $\alpha$  is of the form  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .*

**Proof.** Expressing the generators of the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_\alpha^{s+1}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} &= E_\sigma \omega_0 + A_{\sigma\nu}^i \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i + B_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i + C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega_{kl}^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \\ i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y_k^\nu}} \hat{\alpha} &= B_{\nu\sigma}^{ki} \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_i + D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \\ i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} &= -C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i. \end{aligned}$$

Since the rank of the matrix  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  is equal to  $mn$  then the  $\omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_i$  are generators of the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_\alpha^{s+1}$ . We obtain  $\frac{\partial y_i^\sigma}{\partial x^i} \circ \delta_D = y_i^\sigma \circ \delta_D$ , i.e.

$$(10) \quad \pi_{2,1} \circ \delta_D = J^1\gamma,$$

where  $\gamma$  is a section of  $\pi$ . Substituting this into (3) we get

$$\delta_D^* i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} = E_\sigma \circ J^2\gamma = 0,$$

showing that  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .

If moreover  $\mu = 0$ , then  $\pi_{3,2}^* \alpha = \hat{\alpha}$ , we can easily see that  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Note that in general the condition in Proposition 2 does not depend on the Euler–Lagrange form. In the following we shall study the case than the correspondence between extremals and Hamilton extremals depends on the Euler–Lagrange form.

**An interesting case.**

If the functions  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  and  $D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  in the principal part (5) vanish then the conditions in Proposition 1 take the form

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y^\nu} + d_i A_{\nu\sigma}^i \right)_{\text{Alt}(\sigma\nu)} &= 0, \\ A_{\sigma\nu}^i &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_i^\sigma} - d_l \left( \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{il}^\nu} - 2 \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{il}^\sigma} + b_{\sigma\nu}^{il} \right) \right) - a_{\sigma\nu}^i, \\ B_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} &= \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{kl}^\nu} - 2 \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma} + b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}, \end{aligned}$$

In this case the rank condition in Proposition 2 is not satisfied. In the next Proposition a new condition is found which depends on the Euler–Lagrange form and guarantees the correspondence (10) between extremals and Hamilton extremals.

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $\dim X \geq 2$ . Let  $E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0$  the Euler–Lagrange form (nontrivially) of order 2, and  $\alpha$  of the form (4), (5), (6) and with  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}, D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli}$  vanishing, be its Lepagean equivalent.*

*Assume that the matrix*

$$(11) \quad B_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = \frac{\partial E_\sigma}{\partial y_{kl}^\nu} - 2 \frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma} + b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}$$

*with  $mn$  rows (resp.  $mn$  columns) labelled by  $\nu k$  (resp.  $\sigma l$ ) is regular.*

*Then every Hamilton–Dedecker extremal  $\delta_D : V \supset \pi(U) \rightarrow J^2Y$  of the Hamiltonian system  $\alpha$  is of the form  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta_D = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .*

*If moreover  $\mu = 0$  in (4) then every Hamilton extremal  $\delta : V \supset \pi(U) \rightarrow J^2Y$  of the Hamiltonian system  $\alpha$  is of the form  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .*

**Proof.** Expressing the generators of the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{\alpha}}^{s+1}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} &= E_\sigma \omega_0 + A_{\sigma\nu}^i \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i + B_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \\ i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y_k^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} &= B_{\nu\sigma}^{ki} \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \\ i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y_{kl}^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since the rank of the matrix  $B_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}$  is equal to  $mn$  then the  $\omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_i$  are generators of the ideal  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{\alpha}}^{s+1}$ . We obtain  $\frac{\partial y^\sigma}{\partial x^i} \circ \delta_D = y_i^\sigma \circ \delta_D$ , i.e.  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta_D = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is a section of  $\pi$ . Substituting this into (3) we get

$$\delta_D^* i_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\sigma}} \hat{\alpha} = E_\sigma \circ J^2\gamma = 0,$$

showing that  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .

If moreover  $\mu = 0$ , then  $\pi_{3,2}^* \alpha = \hat{\alpha}$ , we can easily see that  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

The above results can be directly applied to a class of “quadratic” Euler–Lagrange equations. Let us consider the following example as an illustration of the above properties of the second order Hamiltonian systems.

**Example.** Let us consider an Euler–Lagrange form  $E = E_\sigma \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0$  with the coefficients of the form

$$E_\sigma = P_\sigma + Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} y_{kl}^\nu + R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} y_{kl}^\nu y_{pq}^\kappa$$

where  $P_\sigma = P_\sigma(x^r, y^\beta, y_r^\beta)$ ,  $Q_{\sigma\nu}^{rs} = Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}(x^r, y^\beta, y_r^\beta)$  and  $R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} = R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq}(x^r, y^\beta, y_r^\beta)$  and

$$Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = Q_{\sigma\nu}^{lk}, \quad Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = Q_{\nu\sigma}^{kl}, \quad R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} = R_{\sigma\kappa\nu}^{pqkl}, \quad R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} = R_{\nu\sigma\kappa}^{klpq}.$$

In view of the above considerations we take the principal part (5), (6) in the following form:  $C_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = D_{\sigma\nu}^{kli} = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha} = & (P_\sigma + Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} y_{kl}^\nu + R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} y_{kl}^\nu y_{pq}^\kappa) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0 \\ & - \left( a_{\sigma\nu}^i + \frac{3}{2} d_l(Q_{\sigma\nu}^{il} + 2R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{ilpq} y_{pq}^\kappa) \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ & + (b_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} - Q_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} - 2R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{kipq} y_{pq}^\kappa) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{\sigma\nu}^i, b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}$  are arbitrary functions satisfying  $a_{\sigma\nu}^i = a_{\nu\sigma}^i, b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = -b_{\nu\sigma}^{lk}$  and  $b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} = -b_{\nu\sigma}^{lk}$ .

We can easily see that the forms in the noninvariant decomposition (7) are

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_E = & (P_\sigma + Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} y_{kl}^\nu + R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} y_{kl}^\nu y_{pq}^\kappa) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_0 \\ & - \left( \frac{3}{2} d_l(Q_{\sigma\nu}^{il} + 2R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{ilpq} y_{pq}^\kappa) \right) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i \\ & - (Q_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} + 2R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{kipq} y_{pq}^\kappa) \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\hat{\alpha}_C = -a_{\sigma\nu}^i \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega^\nu \wedge \omega_i + b_{\sigma\nu}^{ki} \omega^\sigma \wedge \omega_k^\nu \wedge \omega_i.$$

The regularity condition for the matrix (11) now takes form

$$\det(B_{\sigma\nu}^{kl}) = \det(b_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} - Q_{\sigma\nu}^{kl} - 2R_{\sigma\nu\kappa}^{klpq} y_{pq}^\kappa) \neq 0.$$

Then every Hamilton–Dedecker extremal  $\delta_D : V \supset \pi(U) \rightarrow J^2Y$  of the Hamiltonian system  $\alpha$  is of the form  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \delta_D = J^1\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an extremal of  $\lambda$ .

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