Chapter 10 Appendix

In this chapter we gather some basic facts on symplectic basis and symplectic coordinates, see for example [36], [19].

10.1 Symplectic vector space

Definition 10.1.1 Let S be a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbb{R} (\mathbb{C}) and let σ be a non degenerate anti-symmetric bilinear form on S. Then we call S a (finite dimensional) real (complex) symplectic vector space. Let S_i (i = 1, 2) be two symplectic vector spaces with symplectic forms σ_i . If a linear bijection

$$T: S_1 \to S_2$$

verifies $T^*\sigma_2 = \sigma_1$ then T is called a symplectic isomorphism.

Remark: σ is said to be non degenerate if

$$\sigma(\gamma, \gamma') = 0, \ \forall \gamma' \in S \Longrightarrow \gamma = 0.$$

 $T^*\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x,\xi) \mid x,\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ is a symplectic vector space with

$$\sigma((x,\xi),(y,\eta)) = \langle \xi, y \rangle - \langle x,\eta \rangle.$$

Proposition 10.1.1 Let S be a finite dimensional real symplectic vector space. Then the dimension of S is even and there is a symplectic isomorphism

$$T: S \to T^* \mathbb{R}^n$$

with some n.

Proof: Let e_j , f_j be the unit vector along x_j , ξ_j axis in $T^*\mathbb{R}^n$ respectively. It is clear that

(10.1.1)
$$\sigma(e_j, e_k) = \sigma(f_j, f_k) = 0, \quad \sigma(f_j, e_k) = \delta_{jk}$$