# **SYMMETRIES AND CONSERVATION LAWS IN MULTISYMPLECTIC SECOND-ORDER FIELD THEORIES: THE GRAVITATIONAL FIELD**

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**SUMMARY:** Generalizing previous results for first-order field theories [3, 4], conserved quantities and different kinds of symmetries are studied for second order Lagrangian field theories. As an application we analyze the case of the Hilbert-Einstein formulation of the gravitational field. (Work in progress).

### **JET BUNDLES. SECOND-ORDER LAGRANGIAN FIELD THEORIES**

(See [9]). Let  $E \xrightarrow{\pi} M$  be a fiber bundle, dim E = m + n, over an orientable *m*-dimensional manifold M, whose volume form is  $\eta \in \Omega^m(M)$ , and let  $J^k \pi$  be the kth-order jet bundle. The kth prolongation of a local section of  $\pi$ ,  $\phi \in \Gamma(\pi)$ , to  $J^k \pi$  is denoted by  $j^k \phi \in \Gamma(\bar{\pi}^k)$ . Points in  $J^k \pi$  are denoted by  $j_x^k \phi$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $\phi \in \Gamma(\pi)$  being a representative of the equivalence class. If  $r \leq k$ , natural projections are:

Observe that  $\pi_r^s \circ \pi_s^k = \pi_r^k$ ,  $\pi_0^k = \pi^k$ ,  $\pi_k^k = \text{Id}_{J^k\pi}$ , and  $\bar{\pi}^k = \pi \circ \pi^k$ . A section  $\psi \in \Gamma(\bar{\pi}^k)$  is holonomic if  $j^k(\pi^k \circ \psi) = \psi$ ; that is,  $\psi$  is the *k*th prolongation of a section  $\phi = \pi^k \circ \psi \in \Gamma(\pi)$ .

If  $(x^i, u^{\alpha})$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq n$ , are local coordinates in E adapted to the bundle structure, such that  $\eta = dx^1 \wedge \ldots \wedge dx^m \equiv d^m x$ ; then local coordinates in  $J^k \pi$  are denoted  $(x^i, u_I^{\alpha})$ , with  $0 \leq |I| \leq k$ (I is a multi-index; that is, an element of  $\mathbb{Z}^m$  where every component is positive, the *i*th position of the **Definition 5.** A conservation law or a conserved quantity of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a form  $\xi \in \Omega^{m-1}(\mathcal{M})$  such that  $L(\mathcal{X})\xi := (-1)^{m+1} i(\mathcal{X}) d\xi = 0$ , for every  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

**Theorem 2.** A form  $\xi \in \Omega^{m-1}(\mathcal{M})$  is a conserved quantity of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  if, and only if,  $L(\mathcal{Z})\xi = 0$ , for every  $\mathcal{Z} \in \ker^m \Omega$ .

**Proposition 2.** If  $\xi \in \Omega^{m-1}(\mathcal{M})$  is a conserved quantity of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  and  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker_{\omega(I)}^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ , then  $\xi$  is closed on the integral submanifolds of  $\mathcal{X}$ : if  $j_S \colon S \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}$  is an integral submanifold, then  $dj_S^* \xi = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.** (Noether): If  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k\pi)$  is an infinitesimal Cartan symmetry of  $(J^k\pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$ , with  $i(Y)\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} = d\xi_Y$ . Then, for every  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$  (and hence for every  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega(I)} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ ), we have that  $L(\mathcal{X})\xi_Y = 0$ ; that is, any Hamiltonian (m-1)-form  $\xi_Y$  associated with Y is a conserved quantity. (It is usually called a Noether current). As a particular case, if  $L(Y)\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$  then  $\xi_Y = i(Y)\Theta_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

**Definition 6.** If  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$  is a premultisymplectic form (i.e., it is 1-degenerate) then the vector fields  $Y \in$ ker  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$  are the (infinitesimal) gauge symmetries of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$ .

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multi-index is denoted I(i), and  $|I| = \sum I(i)$  is the length of the multi-index. An expression as |I| = k

means that the expression is taken for every multi-index of length k. The element  $1_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  is defined as  $1_i(j) = \delta_i^j$ , n(ij) is a combinatorial factor which n(ij) = 1 for i = j, and n(ij) = 2 for  $i \neq j$ ). The coordinate total derivatives are [6, 9]:  $D_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \sum_{\substack{I = -0 \\ I \neq I_i = 0}}^{\kappa} u_{I+1_i}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_I^{\alpha}}$ . For every function  $f, D_i f := L_{D_i} f$ .

**Definition 1.** [4]. An m-multivector field in  $J^k \pi$  is a skew-symmetric contravariant tensor of order m in  $J^k\pi$ . The set of m-multivector fields in  $J^k\pi$  is denoted  $\mathfrak{X}^m(J^k\pi)$ . A multivector field  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathfrak{X}^m(J^k\pi)$  is said to be locally decomposable if, for every  $p \in J^k\pi$ , there is an open neighbourhood  $U_p \subset J^k \pi$  and  $X_1, \ldots, X_m \in \mathfrak{X}(U_p)$  such that  $\mathbf{X}|_{U_p} = X_1 \land \ldots \land X_m$ . Locally decomposable m-multivector fields  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathfrak{X}^m(J^k\pi)$  are locally associated with m-dimensional distributions  $D \subset TJ^k \pi$ . Then, X is integrable if its associated distribution is integrable. In particular, **X** is holonomic if it is integrable and its integral sections are holonomic sections of  $\bar{\pi}^k$ .

For a second-order classical field theory, a second-order Lagrangian density is a  $\overline{\pi}^2$ -semibasic m-form  $\mathcal{L} \in \Omega^m(J^2\pi)$ ; then  $\mathcal{L} = L(\overline{\pi}^2)^*\eta$ , where  $L \in C^\infty(J^2\pi)$  is the Lagrangian function. The Lagrangian phase bundle is  $J^3\pi$  and natural coordinates adapted to the fibration are  $(x^i, u^\alpha, u^\alpha_i, u^\alpha_I, u^\alpha_I); 1 \le i \le m$ ,  $1 \le \alpha \le n$ , and I, J are multiindices with |I| = 2, |J| = 3. The Poincaré-Cartan *m*-form  $\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} \in \Omega^m(J^3\pi)$ can be unambiguously constructed using the canonical structures of  $J^k \pi$  [1, 5, 6] and it is given by

$$\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial u_i^{\alpha}} - \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{n(ij)} \frac{d}{dx^j} \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{1_i+1_j}^{\alpha}}\right) (\mathrm{d}u^{\alpha} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1}x_i - u_i^{\alpha} \mathrm{d}^m x) + \frac{1}{n(ij)} \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{1_i+1_j}^{\alpha}} (\mathrm{d}u_i^{\alpha} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1}x_j - u_i^{\alpha} \mathrm{d}^m x) + L\mathrm{d}^m x \equiv L_{\alpha}^i \mathrm{d}u^{\alpha} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1}x_i + L_{\alpha}^{ij} \mathrm{d}u_i^{\alpha} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1}x_j + (L - L_{\alpha}^i u_i^{\alpha} - L_{\alpha}^{ij} u_{1_i+1_j}^{\alpha})\mathrm{d}^m x$$

where  $L_{\alpha}^{i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{i}^{\alpha}} - \sum_{j=1}^{m} D_{j} L_{\alpha}^{ij}$ ,  $L_{\alpha}^{ij} = \frac{1}{n(ij)} \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{1_{i}+1_{j}}^{\alpha}}$ . The Poincaré-Cartan (m+1)-form is  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} := -\mathrm{d}\Theta_{\mathcal{L}}$ . A second-order Lagrangian system is specified as  $(J^3\pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$ . The solutions to the Lagrangian variational

For this system, M is a 4-dimensional manifold representing space-time and E is the manifold of Lorentzian metrics on M. Local coordinates in E are denoted  $(x^{\mu}, g_{\alpha\beta})$ , with  $0 \le \alpha \le \beta \le 3$ , and dim E = 14. The induced coordinates in  $J^3\pi$  are  $(x^{\mu}, g_{\alpha\beta}, g_{\alpha\beta,\mu}, g_{\alpha\beta,\mu\nu}, g_{\alpha\beta,\mu\nu\rho})$ . The Hilbert-Einstein Lagrangian is

$$L_{EH} = \varrho g^{\alpha\beta} R_{\alpha\beta} = \varrho R \; ,$$

where  $\rho \equiv \sqrt{|det(g_{\alpha\beta})|}$ , R is the scalar curvature,  $R_{\alpha\beta}$  are the components of the Ricci tensor, and  $g^{\alpha\beta}$  is the inverse matrix of g. The Poincaré-Cartan 3-form  $\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{FH}}$  associated with the Lagrangian density  $\mathcal{L}_{EH} = L_{EH} (\overline{\pi}^3)^* \eta = L_{EH} d^4 x$  is

$$\begin{split} \Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}} &= -H \mathrm{d}^4 x + \sum_{\alpha \le \beta} L^{\alpha \beta, \mu} \mathrm{d}g_{\alpha \beta} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1} x_{\mu} + \sum_{\alpha \le \beta} L^{\alpha \beta, \mu \nu} \mathrm{d}g_{\alpha \beta, \mu} \wedge \mathrm{d}^{m-1} x_{\nu} ; \\ L^{\alpha \beta, \mu} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial g_{\alpha \beta, \mu}} - \sum_{\nu=0}^{3} \frac{1}{n(\mu\nu)} D_{\nu} \frac{\partial L}{\partial g_{\alpha \beta, \mu\nu}} = \frac{n(\alpha \beta)\varrho}{2} \left( \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\nu\sigma} (g^{\beta\sigma} g^{\mu\nu} - g^{\beta\mu} g^{\sigma\nu}) + \Gamma^{\beta}_{\nu\sigma} (g^{\alpha\sigma} g^{\mu\nu} - g^{\alpha\mu} g^{\sigma\nu}) \right) \\ L^{\alpha \beta, \mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{n(\mu\nu)} \frac{\partial L}{\partial g_{\alpha \beta, \mu\nu}} = \frac{n(\alpha \beta)}{2} \varrho (g^{\alpha\mu} g^{\beta\nu} + g^{\alpha\nu} g^{\beta\mu} - 2g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\mu\nu}) ; \\ H &= \sum_{\alpha \le \beta} L^{\alpha \beta, \mu} g_{\alpha \beta, \mu} + \sum_{\alpha \le \beta} L^{\alpha \beta, I} g_{\alpha \beta, I} - L, \end{split}$$

where  $\Gamma^{\rho}_{\mu\nu}$  are the Christoffel symbols of the Levi-Civita connection of g. As it is usual,  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}} = -d\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}}$ .

As  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}}$  is  $\pi_1^3$ -projectable [2, 6, 7, 8] the  $\pi_1^3$ -vertical vector fields in  $J^3\pi$  are gauge symmetries.

**Definition 7.** 1. Let  $F: M \to M$  be a diffeomorphism. The canonical lift of F to the bundle of metrics *E* is the diffeomorphism  $\mathcal{F}: E \to E$  defined as follows: for every  $(x, g_x) \in E$ , then  $\mathcal{F}(x, g_x) :=$  $(F(x), (F^{-1})^*(g_x))$ . (Thus  $\pi \circ \mathcal{F} = F \circ \pi$ ).

The canonical lift of  $\mathcal{F}$  to the jet bundle  $J^k \pi$  is the diffeomorphism  $j^k \mathcal{F} \colon J^k \pi \to J^k \pi$  defined as follows: for every  $j_x^k \phi \in J^k \pi$ , then  $\mathcal{F}(j_x^k \phi) := j^k (\mathcal{F} \circ \phi \circ F^{-1})(x)$ .

2. Let  $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . The canonical lift of Z to the bundle of metrics E is the vector field  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(E)$  whose

problem posed by  $\mathcal{L}$  are holonomic sections  $j^3\phi \colon M \to J^3\pi$  which are the integral submanifolds of a locally decomposable holonomic multivector field  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{L}} \in \mathfrak{X}^m(J^3\pi)$  satisfying the equation

$$i(\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{L}})\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$$
. (1)

Let ker<sup>m</sup>  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} := \{ \mathcal{X} \in \mathfrak{X}^m(\mathcal{M}) \mid i(\mathcal{X})\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} = 0 \}$ . If  $\omega = (\overline{\pi}^3)^* \eta$ , let ker<sup>m</sup>  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$  be the set of *m*-multivector fields satisfying the equation (1) and the  $\bar{\pi}^3$ -transversality condition  $i(\mathcal{X})\omega \neq 0$ , but being not necessarily locally decomposable. Then, we denote by  $\ker_{\omega(I)}^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$  the set of integrable *m*-multivector fields satisfying both conditions. Oviously we have that  $\ker_{\omega(I)}^{m} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}} \subset \ker_{\omega}^{m} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}} \subset \ker^{m} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

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**Definition 2.** 1. A symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  is a diffeomorphism  $\Phi: J^k \pi \to J^k \pi \text{ s.t. } \Phi_*(\ker^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}) \subset$  $\ker^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ . If  $\Phi = j^k \varphi$  for a diffeormorphism  $\varphi \colon E \to E$ , the symmetry is natural.

2. An infinitesimal symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  is a vector field  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$  whose local flows are local symmetries or, what is equivalent, such that  $[Y, \ker^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}] \subset \ker^m \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ . If  $Y = j^k Z$  for some  $Z \in \mathbb{R}$  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$ , then the infinitesimal symmetry is natural.

**Theorem 1.** 1. Let  $\Phi \in \text{Diff}(\mathcal{M})$  be a symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  such that  $\Phi \in \text{Diff}(J^k \pi)$  restricts to a diffeormorphism  $\varphi \colon M \to M$ . Then, for every  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega(I)} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ ,  $\Phi$  transforms integral submanifolds of  $\mathcal{X}$  into integral submanifolds of  $\Phi_*\mathcal{X}$ , and hence  $\Phi_*\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega(I)} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

2. Let  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k\pi)$  be an infinitesimal symmetry of  $(J^k\pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  and  $F_t$  a local flow of Y. If  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k\pi)$ is  $\bar{\pi}^3$ -projectable then, for every  $\mathcal{X} \in \ker^m_{\omega(I)} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ ,  $F_t$  transforms integral submanifolds of  $\mathcal{X}$  into integral submanifolds of  $F_{t*}\mathcal{X}$ , and hence  $F_{t*}\mathcal{X} \in \ker_{\omega(I)}^{m} \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

**Definition 3.** 1. A Cartan (Noether) symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$  is a diffeomorphism  $\Phi: J^k \pi \to J^k \pi$  such that,  $\Phi^*\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} = \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ . If, in addition,  $\Phi^*\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \Theta_{\mathcal{L}}$ , then  $\Phi$  is said to be an exact Cartan symmetry. If  $\Phi = j^k \varphi$  for a diffeormorphism  $\varphi \colon E \to E$ , the Cartan symmetry is natural.

associated local one-parameter groups of diffeomorphisms  $\mathcal{F}_t$  are the canonical lifts to the bundle of metrics E of the local one-parameter groups of diffeomorphisms  $F_t$  of Z.

The canonical lift of  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(E)$  to the jet bundle  $J^k \pi$  is the vector field  $Y^k \equiv j^k Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k \pi)$  whose associated local one-parameter groups of diffeomorphisms are the canonical lifts  $j^{1}\mathcal{F}_{t}$  of the local one-parameter groups of diffeomorphisms  $\mathcal{F}_t$  of Y.

In coordinates, if 
$$Z = u^{\mu}(x)\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$$
, the canonical lift of  $Z$  to the bundle of metrics  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(E)$  is  

$$Y = u^{\mu}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}} - \sum_{\alpha \leq \beta} \left(\frac{\partial u^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\alpha}}g_{\mu\beta} + \frac{\partial u^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\beta}}g_{\mu\alpha}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}, \quad \text{and then}:$$

$$Y^{1} = u^{\mu}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}} + \sum_{\alpha \leq \beta} Y_{\alpha\beta}\frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}} + \sum_{\alpha \leq \beta} Y_{\alpha\beta\mu}\frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\alpha\beta,\mu}} = u^{\mu}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}} - \sum_{\alpha \leq \beta} \left(\frac{\partial u^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\alpha}}g_{\mu\beta} + \frac{\partial u^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\beta}}g_{\mu\alpha}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}$$

$$- \sum_{\alpha \leq \beta} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}u^{\nu}}{\partial x^{\alpha}\partial x^{\mu}}g_{\nu\beta} + \frac{\partial^{2}u^{\nu}}{\partial x^{\beta}\partial x^{\mu}}g_{\alpha\nu} + \frac{\partial u^{\nu}}{\partial x^{\alpha}}g_{\nu\beta,\mu} + \frac{\partial u^{\nu}}{\partial x^{\beta}}g_{\alpha\nu,\mu} + \frac{\partial u^{\nu}}{\partial x^{\mu}}g_{\alpha\beta,\nu}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\alpha\beta,\mu}}.$$

For every  $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , we have  $L(Y^3)\mathcal{L}_{EH} = 0$ , because  $\mathcal{L}_{EH}$  is invariant under diffeomorphisms. As  $Y^3$ is a canonical lift, it is an infinitesimal Lagrangian symmetry. Thus,  $Y^3$  it is an exact infinitesimal Cartan symmetry, its associated conserved quantity is  $\xi_Y = i(Y^3)\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}}$  and, as  $\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}}$  is  $\pi_1^3$ -basic,

$$\xi_{Y} = i(Y^{3})\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}} = i(Y^{1})\Theta_{\mathcal{L}_{EH}} = \left(Y_{\alpha\beta}L^{\alpha\beta,\mu} + Y_{\alpha\beta\nu}L^{\alpha\beta,\nu\mu} - u^{\mu}H\right)d^{3}x_{\mu} + \left(u^{\nu}L^{\alpha\beta,\mu} - u^{\mu}L^{\alpha\beta,\nu}\right)dg_{\alpha\beta} \wedge d^{2}x_{\nu\mu} + \left(u^{\nu}L^{\alpha\beta,\lambda\mu} - u^{\mu}L^{\alpha\beta,\lambda\nu}\right)dg_{\alpha\beta,\lambda} \wedge d^{2}x_{\nu\mu},$$

where 
$$d^2 x_{\mu\nu} = i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\nu}}\right) i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}}\right) d^4 x.$$

The vector fields of the form  $Y^3$  are the only natural infinitesimal Lagrangian symmetries [6, 8].

2. An infinitesimal Cartan (Noether) symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a vector field  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k \pi)$  satisfying that  $L(Y)\Omega_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$ . If, in addition,  $L(Y)\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$ , then  $\Phi$  is said to be an infinitesimal exact Cartan symmetry. If  $Y = j^k Z$  for some  $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(E)$ , then the infinitesimal Cartan symmetry is natural.

Canonical lifts of diffeomorphisms and vector fields preserve the canonical structures of  $J^k \pi$ , but not  $\Omega_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

- **Definition 4.** 1. A Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a diffeomorphism  $\Phi: J^k \pi \to J^k \pi$  such that  $\Phi$ leaves the canonical geometric structures of  $J^k \pi$  invariant and  $\Phi^* \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}$  ( $\Phi$  leaves  $\mathcal{L}$  invariant). A natural Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a diffeomorphism  $\Phi: J^k \pi \to J^k \pi$  such that  $\Phi = j^k \varphi$ , for some diffeomorphism  $\varphi \colon E \to E$ , and  $\Phi$  leaves  $\mathcal{L}$  invariant.
- 2. An infinitesimal Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a vector field  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^1 E)$  such that the canonical geometric structures of  $J^k \pi$  are invariant under Y and  $L(Y)\mathcal{L} = 0$  (Y leaves  $\mathcal{L}$  invariant). An infinitesimal natural Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$  is a vector field  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k \pi)$  such that  $Y = j^k Z$ , for some  $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(E)$ , and  $L(j^k Z)\mathcal{L} = 0$ .

**Proposition 1.** If  $\Phi: J^k \pi \to J^k \pi$  is a Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k \pi, \Omega_L)$ , then  $\Phi^* \Theta_L = \Theta_L$ , and hence it is an exact Cartan symmetry.

If  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(J^k\pi)$  is an infinitesimal Lagrangian symmetry of  $(J^k\pi, \Omega_{\mathcal{L}})$ , then  $L(Y)\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$ , and hence it is an infinitesimal exact Cartan symmetry.

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