

Hidden symmetries of deformed oscillators

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Main result

We associate with each simple Lie algebra a system of second-order differential equations invariant under a non-compact real form of the corresponding Lie group. In the limit of a contraction to a Schrödinger algebra, these equations reduce to a system of ordinary harmonic oscillators. We provide the clarifying example of such deformed oscillator: the system invariant under $G_{2(2)}$ transformations. The construction of invariant actions requires adding semi-dynamical degrees of freedom; we illustrate the algorithm with the example mentioned.

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It is widely believed that integrability of a mechanical system is related with a high degree of (usually hidden) symmetry. Identifying such symmetry for a given system may be very complicated, even in the simplest cases, like in harmonic oscillators. [The inverse task – constructing a system possessing a given symmetry](#) – seems to be more simple, since there are many ways to find its equations of motion. One of them is [the method of nonlinear realizations](#), equipped with the inverse Higgs phenomenon. For constructing a system of equations with a given symmetry, all one needs is the symmetry group together with the stability subgroup, which acts linearly on the mechanical coordinates.

Our recent paper [arXiv:1607.03756](#) applies nonlinear realizations to the Schrödinger and ℓ -conformal Galilei algebra. These symmetries give rise to a system of ordinary harmonic oscillators and their higher-derivative (in time) extensions known as conformal Pais–Uhlenbeck oscillators. However, when we [deform the Schrödinger algebra in two space dimensions to \$su\(1, 2\)\$](#) , the corresponding oscillator is also deformed to a nonlinear one. This suggests the existence of F -invariant nonlinearly deformed oscillator systems for every noncompact real Lie group F .

Crucial in our construction of the deformed oscillators is [the 5-grading of \$su\(1, 2\)\$](#) . Now, **any** finite-dimensional simple complex Lie algebra beyond s_2 has at least one non-compact real form with a 5-graded decomposition. A universal part of the 5-grading is the $su(1, 1)$ sub-algebra formed by the highest- and lowest-grade subspace together with the (grade-zero) grading operator L_0 , so one-dimensional conformal symmetry is always present. In the present talk, we will demonstrate how to extend this procedure from $su(1, 2)$ to a non-compact real form of any simple Lie algebra. This procedure will provide a system of (generically nonlinear) second-order differential equations with the prescribed non-compact symmetry, which reduces to ordinary harmonic oscillators under the contraction to a Schrödinger algebra.

The simplest possibility to deform the Schrödinger algebra reads

$$\begin{aligned} i[L_n, L_m] &= (n - m)L_{n+m}, \quad i[L_n, G_r] = \left(\frac{n}{2} - r\right) G_{n+r}, \quad i[L_n, \overline{G}_r] = \left(\frac{n}{2} - r\right) \overline{G}_{n+r}, \\ [U, G_r] &= G_r, \quad [U, \overline{G}_r] = -\overline{G}_r, \\ i[G_r, \overline{G}_s] &= \gamma \left(\frac{3}{2}(r - s)U - iL_{r+s}\right), \quad n, m = -1, 0, 1, \quad r, s = -1/2, 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

Here, γ is a deformation parameter: if $\gamma = 0$, we come back to the $\ell = \frac{1}{2}$ conformal Galilei algebra. The exact value of γ is inessential: if nonzero it can be put to unity by a rescaling of the generators G_r and \overline{G}_r .

We choose the stability subalgebra H as

$$H \propto \{L_0, L_1, U\}$$

and realize this deformed symmetry by left multiplications of

$$g = e^{it(L_{-1} + \omega^2 L_1)} e^{i(uG_{-1/2} + \bar{u}\overline{G}_{-1/2})} e^{i(vG_{1/2} + \bar{v}\overline{G}_{1/2})}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_0 = e^{i a L_{-1}} : & \quad \begin{cases} \delta t = a \left(\sin^2(\omega t) + \frac{4 \cos(2\omega t)}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} \right), \\ \delta u = -\frac{a}{2} \omega u \left(\sin(2\omega t) + \frac{4i \gamma \omega \cos(2\omega t)}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} u \bar{u} \right), \end{cases} \\
 g_0 = e^{i b L_0} : & \quad \begin{cases} \delta t = \frac{b \sin(2\omega t)}{2\omega} \left(\frac{4 + \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} \right), \\ \delta u = \frac{b}{2} u \left(\cos(2\omega t) - \frac{4i \gamma \omega \sin(2\omega t)}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} u \bar{u} \right), \end{cases} \\
 g_0 = e^{i c L_1} : & \quad \begin{cases} \delta t = \frac{c}{\omega^2} \left(\cos^2(\omega t) - \frac{4 \cos(2\omega t)}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} \right), \\ \delta u = \frac{c}{2\omega} u \left(\sin(2\omega t) + \frac{4i \gamma \omega \cos(2\omega t)}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} u \bar{u} \right), \end{cases} \\
 g_0 = e^{i(a G_{-1/2} + \bar{a} \bar{G}_{-1/2})} : & \quad \begin{cases} \delta t = \frac{2i\gamma \cos(\omega t)(\bar{a}u - a\bar{u}) + \gamma^2 \omega \sin(\omega t)(\bar{a}u + a\bar{u}) u \bar{u}}{4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2} \\ \delta u = a \cos(\omega t) - \frac{i\gamma\omega}{2} \sin(\omega t) u(2\bar{a}u + a\bar{u}) - \frac{i}{2} \gamma \omega^2 u^2 \bar{u} \delta t, \end{cases} \\
 g_0 = e^{i(b G_{1/2} + \bar{b} \bar{G}_{1/2})} : & \quad \begin{cases} \delta t = \frac{2i\gamma \sin(\omega t)(\bar{b}u - b\bar{u}) - \gamma^2 \omega \cos(\omega t)(\bar{b}u + b\bar{u}) u \bar{u}}{\omega(4 - \gamma^2 \omega^2 (u \bar{u})^2)} \\ \delta u = \frac{\sin(\omega t)}{\omega} b + \frac{i\gamma}{2} \cos(\omega t) u(2\bar{b}u + b\bar{u}) - \frac{i}{2} \gamma \omega^2 u^2 \bar{u} \delta t, \end{cases} \\
 g_0 = e^{i\alpha U} : & \quad \delta u = i\alpha u.
 \end{aligned}$$

In the limit $\gamma = 0$ they correctly reproduced the transformations preserving the action/equations of motion of the ordinary two-dimensional harmonic oscillator.

In what follows, we will need only the Cartan forms $\omega_{\pm 1/2}, \bar{\omega}_{\pm 1/2}$ and ω_U which read

$$\omega_{-1/2} = du + \frac{i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 u^2 \bar{u} dt - v d\tau, \quad \bar{\omega}_{-1/2} = (\omega_{-1/2})^*,$$

$$\omega_{1/2} = dv + \frac{i}{2}\gamma v^2 \bar{v} d\tau - \frac{i}{2}\gamma v \left[2v \left(d\bar{u} - \frac{i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 u \bar{u}^2 dt \right) + \bar{v} \left(du + \frac{i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 u^2 \bar{u} dt \right) \right] + \frac{3i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 v u \bar{u} dt + \omega^2 u dt, \quad \bar{\omega}_{1/2} = (\omega_{1/2})^*,$$

$$\omega_U = \frac{3}{2}\gamma \left[v \bar{v} d\tau - v \left(d\bar{u} - \frac{i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 u \bar{u}^2 dt \right) - \bar{v} \left(du + \frac{i}{2}\gamma\omega^2 u^2 \bar{u} dt \right) + \omega^2 u \bar{u} dt \right],$$

where

$$d\tau = \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\gamma^2\omega^2 u^2 \bar{u}^2 \right) dt + \frac{i}{2}\gamma (u d\bar{u} - \bar{u} du).$$

The inverse Higgs constraints read

$$\omega_{-1/2} = \bar{\omega}_{-1/2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$v = \frac{\dot{u} + i\frac{\gamma\omega^2}{2}u^2\bar{u}}{1 + i\frac{\gamma}{2}\left(u\dot{\bar{u}} - \bar{u}\dot{u}\right) + \frac{\gamma^2\omega^2}{4}u^2\bar{u}^2}, \quad \bar{v} = \frac{\dot{\bar{u}} - i\frac{\gamma\omega^2}{2}u\bar{u}^2}{1 + i\frac{\gamma}{2}\left(u\dot{\bar{u}} - \bar{u}\dot{u}\right) + \frac{\gamma^2\omega^2}{4}u^2\bar{u}^2}.$$

With above constraints taken into account, the form ω_U simplifies to

$$\omega_U = -\frac{3}{2}\gamma \left(v \bar{v} d\tau - \omega^2 u \bar{u} dt \right).$$

Observing that under all $SU(1, 2)$ transformations the form ω_U only shifts by an exact differential, we can write down a simple invariant action,

$$S = -\frac{2}{3\gamma} \int \omega_U = \int dt \frac{\dot{u} \dot{\bar{u}} - \omega^2 u \bar{u}}{1 + i\frac{\gamma}{2}(u \dot{\bar{u}} - \bar{u} \dot{u}) + \frac{1}{4}\gamma^2 \omega^2 u^2 \bar{u}^2}.$$

The equations of motion following from this action coincide with those obtained from the constraints

$$\omega_{1/2} = \bar{\omega}_{1/2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{v} - i\gamma v^2 \left(\dot{\bar{u}} - \frac{i}{2}\gamma \omega^2 u \bar{u}^2 \right) + \omega^2 u \left(\frac{3i}{2}\gamma v \bar{u} + 1 \right) = 0,$$

where v, \bar{v} were defined above.

We conclude that the deformation of the symmetry algebra, i.e. the passing from the Schrödinger algebra to the $su(1, 2)$ algebra produces a non-polynomial velocity dependence in the action. The “free” ($\omega = 0$) system shares this feature. The undeformed ($\gamma = 0$) case describes a harmonic oscillator (or, with $\omega = 0$, a free particle).

The interesting question is: which properties of the considered algebras (Schrödinger and $su(1, 2)$ ones) are important for realization of the discussed procedure? The answer is simple: **the crucial property is the existence of 5-grading decompositions of these algebras.**

The 5-grading decomposition in the case of $su(1, 2)$ algebra reads

$$\{L_{-1}\} \oplus \left\{G_{-\frac{1}{2}}, \overline{G}_{-\frac{1}{2}}\right\} \oplus \{L_0, U\} \oplus \left\{G_{\frac{1}{2}}, \overline{G}_{\frac{1}{2}}\right\} \oplus \{L_1\}.$$

This is a particular case of the general expression for 5-graded decomposition of Lie algebra \mathcal{F} with respect to a suitable generator $L_0 \in \mathcal{F}$:

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathfrak{f}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{+\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{+1} \quad \text{with} \quad [\mathfrak{f}_i, \mathfrak{f}_j] \subseteq \mathfrak{f}_{i+j} \quad \text{for } i, j \in \left\{-1, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right\}$$

($\mathfrak{f}_i = 0$ for $|i| > 1$ understood).

- The grading is defined with respect to L_0 : $[L_0, \mathfrak{f}_a] = -a\mathfrak{f}_a$
- The relations $[L_{-1}, \mathfrak{f}_{\frac{1}{2}}] \sim \mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}$ are crucial for the Inverse Higgs phenomenon, i.e. for the possibility to express the fields parameterized the space $\mathfrak{f}_{\frac{1}{2}}$ through the fields parameterized the space $\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}$
- The conditions $\omega_{\frac{1}{2}} = 0$ will always produce the second order equations of motion.

It is well known fact (B. Bina, M. Günaydin, Nucl. Phys. B **502** (1997) 713, arXiv:hep-th/9703188) that **every simple Lie algebra \mathcal{F}** (except for sl_2) admits 5-graded decompositions with respect to a suitable generator $L_0 \in \mathcal{F}$:

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathfrak{f}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{+\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathfrak{f}_{+1} \quad \text{with} \quad [\mathfrak{f}_i, \mathfrak{f}_j] \subseteq \mathfrak{f}_{i+j} \quad \text{for } i, j \in \left\{-1, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right\}$$

There is an (up to automorphisms) unique 5-grading with one-dimensional spaces $\mathfrak{f}_{\pm 1}$. Choosing this one, we may write

$$\mathfrak{f}_{-1} = \mathbb{C}L_{-1}, \quad \mathfrak{f}_{+1} = \mathbb{C}L_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{f}_0 = \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathbb{C}L_0,$$

where $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{F}$ is a Lie subalgebra and L_0 commutes with \mathcal{H} . A basis for the spaces $\mathfrak{f}_{\pm \frac{1}{2}}$ (of some dimension d) is given by generators $G_{\pm \frac{1}{2}}^A$ with $A = 1, \dots, d$. They carry an irreducible representation of \mathcal{H} . In the following, we will deal with *real* Lie algebras and groups only, so some real form of \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{H} has to be picked. Compatibility with the 5-grading requires this real form to be non-compact. Therefore, (L_{-1}, L_1, L_0) generate an $su(1, 1)$ subalgebra of \mathcal{F} . Different real forms of \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{H} give rise to different non-compact quaternionic symmetric spaces W

$$W = \frac{F}{H \times SU(1, 1)},$$

where F , H and $SU(1, 1)$ are the (simply-connected) groups generated by \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{H} and $su(1, 1)$, respectively.

Examples of the quaternionic symmetric spaces

$$\frac{F}{H \times \mathrm{SU}(1, 1)}$$

- $F = \mathrm{SU}(m, n)$, $H = \mathrm{U}(m - 1, n - 1)$ $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 2(m + n - 2)$
- $F = \mathrm{SL}(n, \mathbb{R})$, $H = \mathrm{GL}(n - 2, \mathbb{R})$ $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 2(n - 2)$
- $F = \mathrm{SO}(n, m)$, $H = \mathrm{SO}(n - 2, m - 2) \times \mathrm{SU}(1, 1)$ $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 2(m + n - 4)$
- $F = \mathrm{SO}(2n)$, $H = \mathrm{SO}(2n - 4) \times \mathrm{SU}(2)$ $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 4(n - 2)$
- $F = \mathrm{G}_{2(2)}$, $H = \mathrm{SU}(1, 1)$ $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 4$

The main idea of our construction consists in enlarging the coset by slightly reducing the stability group from $H \times SU(1, 1)$ to $H \times \mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}$, where $\mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}$ denotes the positive Borel subgroup of $SU(1,1)$, whose algebra $\mathfrak{b}_{SU(1,1)}$ is generated by (L_0, L_1) . In other words, we keep L_{-1} in the numerator and consider the coset

$$\mathcal{W} = \frac{F}{H \times \mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}}.$$

The elements of \mathcal{W} can be parametrized as follows,

$$g = e^{t(L_{-1} + \omega^2 L_1)} e^{u(t) \cdot G_{-\frac{1}{2}}} e^{v(t) \cdot G_{\frac{1}{2}}},$$

where we employed a \cdot notation to suppress the summation over A . The parameter ω represents some freedom in the parametrization of \mathcal{W} . It yields the oscillation frequency of the deformed oscillators we are going to construct.

Defining the Cartan forms in the standard way (with a basis $\{h_s\}$ of \mathcal{H}),

$$g^{-1}dg = \omega_{-1}L_{-1} + \omega_0L_0 + \omega_1L_1 + \omega_{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot G_{-\frac{1}{2}} + \omega_{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot G_{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_s \omega_h^s h_s,$$

one can check that the constraints

$$\omega_{-\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

firstly are invariant under the whole group F , realized by left multiplication in the coset \mathcal{W} , and secondly express the Goldstone fields $v(t)$ through the Goldstone fields $u(t)$ and their time derivatives in a covariant fashion (inverse Higgs phenomenon). After imposing these constraints we have a realization of the F transformations on the time t and the d coordinates $u_A(t)$.

Finally, one can impose the additional invariant constraints

$$\omega_{\frac{1}{2}} = 0,$$

which produces a system of second-order differential equations for the variables $u_A(t)$. These are the equations of motion.

Hence, with every simple Lie algebra \mathcal{F} one may associate a system of dynamical equations in d variables which is invariant under some non-compact real form of the group F .

Comments

- Given the above structures, we can partially fix the commutator relations of \mathcal{F} :

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n-m)L_{n+m}, \quad [L_n, G_r^A] = \left(\frac{n}{2}-r\right) G_{n+r}^A$$

- The $[G, G]$ commutators lands in $\mathcal{H} \oplus su(1, 1)$. However, they can be made to vanish by a group contraction. To this end, one rescales the generators via $G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^A = \gamma^{-1} \tilde{G}_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^A$ with $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}_+$. After the contraction $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ we arrive at the algebra

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n-m)L_{n+m}, \quad [L_n, \tilde{G}_r^A] = \left(\frac{n}{2}-r\right) \tilde{G}_{n+r}^A, \quad [\tilde{G}_r^A, \tilde{G}_s^B] = 0$$

This is the Schrödinger algebra in $d+1$ dimensions.

- One may check that in this limit all equations linearize to

$$\ddot{u}_A(t) + \omega^2 u_A(t) = 0 \quad \text{for } A = 1, \dots, d.$$

Undoing the contraction, one may regard the corresponding equations as a deformation of the harmonic oscillators equations of motion. For this reason we refer to them as ‘deformed oscillators’.

- Finally we note that the above construction yields only the equations of motion for the variables $u_A(t)$. The question of existence of a corresponding invariant action has to be answered independently. We will demonstrate below that a positive answer requires extending further the number of Goldstone fields.

The 14-dimensional $g_{2(2)}$ algebra possesses a 5-grading with $\dim(\mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 4$ and again $\mathcal{H} = su(1, 1)$. This is made manifest by its commutation relations,

$$\begin{aligned} [L_n, L_m] &= (n-m) L_{n+m}, & [M_a, M_b] &= (a-b) M_{a+b}, \\ [L_n, G_{r,A}] &= \left(\frac{n}{2}-r\right) G_{n+r,A}, & [M_a, G_{r,A}] &= \left(\frac{3a}{2}-A\right) G_{r,a+A}, \\ [G_{r,A}, G_{s,B}] &= 3A(4A^2-5) \delta_{A+B,0} L_{r+s} + r(6A^2-8AB+6B^2-9) \delta_{r+s,0} M_{A+B}, \\ m, n &= -1, 0, 1, & a, b &= -1, 0, 1, & r, s &= -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, & A, B &= -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have as basis elements

$$G_{-\frac{1}{2},A} \in \mathfrak{f}_{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad G_{+\frac{1}{2},A} \in \mathfrak{f}_{+\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{and} \quad M_a \in \mathcal{H} = su(1, 1).$$

We start from the eight-dimensional quaternionic symmetric space $W = G_{2(2)}/SO(2, 2)$ and enlarge it to the nine-dimensional coset

$$\mathcal{W} = \frac{G_{2(2)}}{SU(1, 1) \times \mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}}$$

with the stability subgroup generated by (L_0, L_1, M_a) as before. It may be parameterized as

$$\begin{aligned} g &= e^{t(L_{-1} + \omega^2 L_1)} e^{u_1 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}} + u_2 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} + u_3 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}} + u_4 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}}} \\ &e^{v_1 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}} + v_2 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} + v_3 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}} + v_4 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}}}, \quad g^\dagger = g^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding Cartan forms are rather complicated. To write them in a concise form we re-label the generators G and variables u and v in the spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ \mathcal{H} -representation with a symmetrized triple of spinor indices $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = 1, 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}} &= 3G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, 111}, & G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} &= 3G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, 112}, & G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}} &= 3G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, 122}, & G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}} &= 3G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, 222}, \\ u_1 &= \frac{1}{3}U^{111}, & u_2 &= U^{112}, & u_3 &= U^{122}, & u_4 &= \frac{1}{3}U^{222}, \\ v_1 &= \frac{1}{3}V^{111}, & v_2 &= V^{112}, & v_3 &= V^{122}, & v_4 &= \frac{1}{3}V^{222}, \end{aligned}$$

such that (with spinor index triples completely symmetric)

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}} + u_2 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} + u_3 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}} + u_4 G_{-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}} &= \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} U^{\alpha\beta\gamma} G_{-\frac{1}{2}, \alpha\beta\gamma}, \\ v_1 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}} + v_2 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} + v_3 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}} + v_4 G_{+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}} &= \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} V^{\alpha\beta\gamma} G_{+\frac{1}{2}, \alpha\beta\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}, \alpha\beta\gamma}$, $U^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$, and $V^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ are real tensors totally symmetric in α, β, γ .

Defining the Cartan forms

$$g^{-1}dg = \sum_n \omega_{L_n} L_n + \sum_a \omega_{M_a} M_a + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \omega_u^{\alpha\beta\gamma} G_{-\frac{1}{2},\alpha\beta\gamma} + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \omega_v^{\alpha\beta\gamma} G_{+\frac{1}{2},\alpha\beta\gamma},$$

we arrive at

$$\omega_u^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = dU^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + \omega^2 dt \left(U^3 \right)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - V^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left[dt \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} \left(U^4 \right) \right) + (UdU) \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_v^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = & dV^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + (V^3)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left[dt \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} \left(U^4 \right) \right) + (UdU) \right] - 2(VdUV)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - (VVdU)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \\ & + \omega^2 dt \left[U^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + 3(UUV)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + 2(VU^3V)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - (U^3VV)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

In what follows we also need the forms ω_{M_a}

$$\omega_{M_{-1}} = \frac{1}{2}\omega^{11}, \quad \omega_{M_{+1}} = \frac{1}{2}\omega^{22}, \quad \omega_{M_0} = \omega^{12},$$

where

$$\omega^{\alpha\beta} = -4(VdU)^{\alpha\beta} + 2(VV)^{\alpha\beta} \left[dt \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} \left(U^4 \right) \right) + (UdU) \right] + 2\omega^2 dt \left[(UU)^{\alpha\beta} + (U^3V)^{\alpha\beta} \right].$$

Now, imposing the conditions $\omega_u^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = 0$ we can express the coordinates $V^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ in terms of $U^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$,

$$\omega_u^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad V^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \frac{\dot{U}^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + \omega^2 (U^3)^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} (U^4) + (U\dot{U})}.$$

Finally, using the conditions $\omega_v^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = 0$ we come to the covariant equations of motion (with $V = V(U)$):

$$\begin{aligned} & \dot{V}^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + (V^3)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left[\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} (U^4) \right) + (U\dot{U}) \right] - 2(V\dot{U}V)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - (VV\dot{U})^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \\ & + \omega^2 \left[U^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + 3(UUV)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + 2(VU^3V)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - (U^3VV)^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In the limit $\omega = 0$ these equations simplify to

$$\ddot{U}^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = 2 \frac{(\dot{U}\dot{U}\dot{U})^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - \dot{U}^{\alpha\beta\gamma} (\dot{U}\dot{U}\dot{U} \cdot U)}{1 + (U\dot{U})} \quad \text{with} \quad (\dot{U}\dot{U}\dot{U} \cdot U) \equiv \sum (\dot{U}\dot{U}\dot{U})^{\alpha_1\alpha_2\alpha_3} U_{\alpha_1\alpha_2\alpha_3},$$

and in the contraction limit $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ after the rescaling $G_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^A = \gamma^{-1} \tilde{G}_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^A$ they linearize to

$$\ddot{U}^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + \omega^2 U^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = 0.$$

In order to construct the invariant action one has to extend the coset to an eleven-dimensional one,

$$\mathcal{W} = \frac{G_{2(2)}}{SU(1,1) \times \mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathcal{W}_{\text{imp}} = \frac{G_{2(2)}}{U(1) \times \mathfrak{B}_{SU(1,1)}},$$

with elements

$$g_{\text{imp}} = g e^{\Lambda_{-1} M_{-1} + \Lambda_{+1} M_{+1}}.$$

Finally, the invariant action can be constructed from Ω_{M_0} ,

$$S = - \int \Omega_{M_0} = - \int \frac{1}{1 + \lambda_{-1} \lambda_{+1}} \left[\lambda_{-1} \tilde{\omega}^{22} - \lambda_{+1} \tilde{\omega}^{11} + (1 - \lambda_{-1} \lambda_{+1}) \tilde{\omega}^{12} + \lambda_{-1} d\lambda_{+1} - \lambda_{+1} d\lambda_{-1} \right],$$

where

$$\tilde{\omega}^{\alpha\beta} = -2dt \frac{(\dot{U}\dot{U})^{\alpha\beta} - \omega^2 \left[(1 + (U\dot{U})) (UU)^{\alpha\beta} - (U^3\dot{U})^{\alpha\beta} \right]}{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} (U^4) + (U\dot{U})}.$$

We proposed a procedure which associates with any simple Lie algebra a system of the second-order nonlinear differential equations which are invariant with respect to a non-compact real form of this symmetry. The explicit example considered in detail gives rise to a system of deformed oscillators invariant under $G_{2(2)}$ transformations. For this case, we also constructed invariant action. This action includes additional, semi-dynamical variables which do not affect the equations of motion for the physical variables.

The five-graded decomposition of the Lie algebra, a key feature in our construction, coercively includes a one-dimensional conformal algebra $su(1, 1)$. Therefore, all systems constructed in this fashion will possess conformal invariance. Due to our special choice of the stability subalgebra a dilaton is absent, and the conformal invariance is achieved without it. In a contraction limit, when the Lie algebra reduces to a Schrödinger algebra, the equations reduce to a system of ordinary harmonic oscillators.

The following further developments come to mind.

- Our choice of the coset parametrization (the ordering $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \cdot \mathfrak{g}_{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \mathfrak{g}_{\frac{1}{2}}$) is rather special. Clearly, this is far from unique, and a reordering will give the equations a different appearance.
- The chosen coset parametrization is computationally useful but provides an unusual form of the metric. It is desirable to bring the metric and connection to a more standard form through some reparametrization.
- Some Lie algebras possess other forms of grading (for example, there is a 7-graded basis for G_2). It will be interesting to learn how our equations change when the grading is altered.
- Our construction procedure for invariant actions works properly only in the presence of an $su(1, 1)$ factor in the stability subalgebra. It should be clarified how to construct invariant actions when this is not so.
- A supersymmetric extension of the present approach may be of interest.
- Finally, a Hamiltonian description may illuminate the structure of conserved currents and help to relate our systems to others in the literature.