

变质量 Birkhoff 系统的 Lie 对称性和非 Noether 守恒量

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采用嵌入质量法建立了变质量系统的 Birkhoff 方程. 根据 Lie 对称性理论给出了变质量 Birkhoff 系统的 Lie 对称性确定方程, 得到了系统的 Lie 对称直接导致非 Noether 守恒量的存在条件和形成. 举例说明结果的应用.

关键词: 变质量, Birkhoff 系统, Lie 对称性, 非 Noether 守恒量

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1. 引言

力学系统的对称性和守恒量之间有着密切的联系. 寻求力学系统守恒量的近代方法, 主要有 Noether 方法、Lie 方法和形式不变性方法. 关于三类对称性直接和间接导致的守恒量研究, 已取得了许多有意义的研究成果^[1-7]. 1992 年以来, 梅凤翔等^[8]建立了 Birkhoff 系统动力学, 构造了理论框架. Birkhoff 系统动力学是近代经典力学的一个重要分支, 是数学物理学学科中的一个近代发展方向. 由于空间技术和其他工业技术的进步, 变质量系统动力学的研究变得越来越重要. 文献 [9, 10] 讨论了变质量系统的 Birkhoff 表示, 表明变质量系统能纳入 Birkhoff 系统. 本文建立变质量 Birkhoff 系统, 研究系统的 Lie 对称性及其导致的非 Noether 守恒量, 为经典 Birkhoff 动力学应用于现代物理学提供了桥梁.

2. 变质量 Birkhoff 系统

设力学系统由 N 个质点组成, 在时刻 t , 第 i 个质点的质量为 m_i ($i = 1, \dots, N$); 在瞬时 $t + dt$, 由质点分离 (或并入) 的微粒质量为 dm_i . 设系统的位形由 n 个 Birkhoff 坐标 a^μ ($\mu = 1, \dots, n$) 确定, 这里质量是依赖于时间和坐标的函数, $m_i = m_i(t, a)$.

采取嵌入质量法, 构造变质量 Birkhoff 系统的

Birkhoff 函数和 Birkhoff 函数组

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{B}^* &= \tilde{B}^*(t, a) = B^*(m_i(t, a), t, a), \\ \tilde{R}_\nu^* &= \tilde{R}_\nu^*(t, a) = R_\nu^*(m_i(t, a), t, a) \quad (\nu = 1, \dots, 2n). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

于是有

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \tilde{B}^*}{\partial a^\mu} &= \frac{\partial B^*}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial a^\mu} + \frac{\partial B^*}{\partial a^\mu}, \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\nu^*}{\partial a^\mu} &= \frac{\partial R_\nu^*}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial a^\mu} + \frac{\partial R_\nu^*}{\partial a^\mu}, \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\nu^*}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial R_\nu^*}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial R_\nu^*}{\partial t}. \end{aligned} \quad (\nu, \mu = 1, \dots, 2n; i = 1, \dots, N). \quad (2)$$

变质量系统的 Birkhoff 方程表示为

$$\left(\frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\nu^*}{\partial a^\mu} - \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\mu^*}{\partial a^\nu} \right) \dot{a}^\nu - \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{B}^*}{\partial a^\mu} + \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\mu^*}{\partial t} \right) = 0 \quad (\mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 2n). \quad (3)$$

用方程(3)描述的力学系统称为变质量 Birkhoff 系统.

方程(3)可表示为

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{\nu\mu}^* \dot{a}^\nu - \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{B}^*}{\partial a^\mu} + \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\mu^*}{\partial t} \right) = 0 \quad (\mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 2n), \quad (4)$$

式中

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{\nu\mu}^* = \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\nu^*}{\partial a^\mu} - \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_\mu^*}{\partial a^\nu}$$

称为变质量 Birkhoff 张量. 设系统非奇异, 即有

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$$\text{de}(\tilde{\Omega}_{\nu}^*) \neq 0.$$

如果 \tilde{R}_{μ}^* 和 \tilde{B}^* 都不显含时间 t , 则系统(4)是自治的; 如果 \tilde{R}_{μ}^* 不显含时间 t , 则系统(4)是半自治的.

方程(4)展开后可得

$$\dot{a}^{\mu} = \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*(t, \mathbf{a}) = \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*(m_i(t, \mathbf{a}), t, \mathbf{a}) \quad (\mu = 1, \dots, 2n). \quad (5)$$

于是有

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial h_{\mu}^*}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial h_{\mu}^*}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial t},$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} = \frac{\partial h_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} + \frac{\partial h_{\mu}^*}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial a^{\mu}}.$$

3. 变质量 Birkhoff 系统的 Lie 对称性

引入无限小群变换

$$\begin{aligned} t^* &= t + \varepsilon \xi_0(t, \mathbf{a}), \\ a^{\mu*} &= a^{\mu} + \varepsilon \xi_{\mu}(t, \mathbf{a}), \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

式中 ξ_0, ξ_{μ} 为无限小群变换的生成元.

无限小群变换(6)式的生成元向量为

$$X^{(0)} = \xi_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \xi_{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial a^{\mu}}.$$

其一次扩展为

$$X^{(1)} = X^{(0)} + (\dot{\xi}_{\mu} - \dot{a}^{\mu} \xi_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial \dot{a}^{\mu}}.$$

根据 Lie 对称性理论, 变质量 Birkhoff 系统的不变性归结为如下确定方程:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{(1)}(\dot{a}^{\mu} - \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*(t, \mathbf{a})) &= 0 \\ (\mu &= 1, \dots, 2n). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

展开(7)式得

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_{\mu} - \tilde{h}_{\mu}^* \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 &= \xi_0 \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial t} + \xi_{\nu} \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\nu}} \\ (\nu, \mu &= 1, \dots, 2n). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

式中

$$\frac{\bar{d}}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \tilde{h}_{\nu}^* \frac{\partial}{\partial a^{\nu}}.$$

命题 1 如果无限小变换(6)式下的生成元 ξ_0, ξ_{μ} 满足确定方程(8), 则相应的对称性为变质量 Birkhoff 系统(4)的 Lie 对称性.

4. 变质量 Birkhoff 系统的非 Noether 守恒量

在一定的条件, 根据 Hojman 守恒律可直接找到

变质量 Birkhoff 系统 Lie 对称性的非 Noether 守恒量. 我们有命题 2.

命题 2 对于满足确定方程(8)的无限小生成元 ξ_0, ξ_{μ} , 如果存在函数

$$\tilde{\lambda}^* = \tilde{\lambda}^*(t, \mathbf{a}) = \lambda^*(m_i(t, \mathbf{a}), t, \mathbf{a})$$

满足条件

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} + \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \ln \tilde{\lambda}^* = 0, \quad (9)$$

则变质量 Birkhoff 系统的 Lie 对称性导致如下形式的非 Noether 守恒量:

$$I = \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}^*} \frac{\alpha(\tilde{\lambda}^* \xi_0)}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}^*} \frac{\alpha(\tilde{\lambda}^* \xi_{\mu})}{\partial a^{\mu}} - \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 = \text{const}. \quad (10)$$

证明 我们有

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} I &= \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial t} \xi_0 + \frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \xi_{\mu} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \frac{\partial \xi_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \frac{\partial \xi_{\mu}}{\partial a^{\mu}} - \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0; \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \frac{\partial \xi_0}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 - \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \xi_0}{\partial a^{\mu}}, \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \frac{\partial \xi_{\nu}}{\partial a^{\nu}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial a^{\nu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_{\nu} - \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\nu}} \frac{\partial \xi_{\nu}}{\partial a^{\mu}}.$$

将(12)式代入(11)式并利用(8)式得

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} I &= \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial t} \xi_0 + \frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \xi_{\mu} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 - \xi_0 \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu} \partial t} \\ &- \xi_{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu} \partial a^{\nu}}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

将条件(9)式分别对 t, a^{ν} 求偏导数, 并将其代入(13)式, 可得

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} I &= \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial t} \xi_0 + \frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \xi_{\mu} \right) \\ &- \xi_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \ln \tilde{\lambda}^* - \xi_{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial a^{\mu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \ln \tilde{\lambda}^* \\ &+ \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 \\ &= \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\mu}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 + \frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial t} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 \\ &+ \tilde{h}_{\mu}^* \frac{\partial \ln \tilde{\lambda}^*}{\partial a^{\mu}} \frac{\bar{d}}{dt} \xi_0 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

证毕.

根据命题 2, 我们得到两个推论.

推论 1 对于满足确定方程 (8) 的无限小生成元 ξ_0, ξ_μ , 如果有条件

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{h}_\mu^*}{\partial a^\mu} = 0, \quad (15)$$

那么变质量 Birkhoff 系统 (4) 的 Lie 对称性导致如下形式的非 Noether 守恒量:

$$I = \frac{\partial \xi_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \xi_\mu}{\partial a^\mu} - \frac{d}{dt} \xi_0 = \text{const}. \quad (16)$$

推论 2 如果取无限小生成元 $\xi_0 = 0$, 那么变质量 Birkhoff 系统 (4) 的 Lie 对称性导致 Hojman 守恒量

$$I = \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}^*} \frac{\alpha(\tilde{\lambda}^* \xi_\mu)}{\partial a^\mu} = \text{const}. \quad (17)$$

5. 算 例

已知四阶变质量 Birkhoff 系统为

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= 0, \\ R_2 &= ra^3 + \frac{1}{m}, \\ R_3 &= 0, \\ R_4 &= -\frac{1}{\gamma m} - \frac{t}{\gamma} + ma^1 \\ &\quad - (1 + tm)a^3 + \frac{1}{\gamma^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$B = \left(-t + \gamma ma^1 - \gamma tma^3 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) a^4, \quad (19)$$

式中 $m = m_0 \exp(-\gamma t)$, 试研究系统的 Lie 对称性及其导致的非 Noether 守恒量.

变质量系统的 Birkhoff 方程 (4) 给出

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{a}^1 &= a^3, \\ \dot{a}^2 &= a^4, \\ \dot{a}^3 &= -\frac{1}{m}, \\ \dot{a}^4 &= \gamma a^4. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

确定方程 (8) 给出

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \xi_1 - a^3 \frac{d}{dt} \xi_0 &= \xi_3, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \xi_2 - a^4 \frac{d}{dt} \xi_0 &= \xi_4, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \xi_3 + \frac{1}{m} \frac{d}{dt} \xi_0 &= -\frac{\gamma}{m} \xi_0, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \xi_4 - \gamma a^4 \frac{d}{dt} \xi_0 &= \gamma \xi_4. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

(21) 式有如下一组解:

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_0 &= 0, \\ \xi_1 &= 1, \\ \xi_2 &= \frac{1}{\gamma} \exp(\gamma t), \\ \xi_3 &= 0, \\ \xi_4 &= \exp(\gamma t). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

由条件 (9) 式可得

$$\lambda = \exp(-\gamma t); \quad (23)$$

$$\lambda = \left(a^1 + ta^3 - \frac{t}{\gamma m} + \frac{1}{\gamma^2 m} \right) \exp(-\gamma t). \quad (24)$$

对 (22) 和 (23) 式, 由 (10) 式可得守恒量

$$I_1 = 0. \quad (25)$$

对 (22) 和 (24) 式, 由 (10) 式可得非 Noether 守恒量

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \lambda^{-1} \frac{\alpha(\lambda)}{\partial a^1} = \left(a^1 + ta^3 - \frac{t}{\gamma m} + \frac{1}{\gamma^2 m} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \text{const}. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

守恒量 I_1 是平凡的, I_2 是非平凡的.

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Lie symmetry and non-Noether conserved quantities of variable mass Birkhoffian system

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Abstract

In this paper , the Lie symmetrical non-Noether conserved quantity of variable mass Birkhoffian system under the infinitesimal transformations is studied. First , variable mass Birkhoffian equations are established ; second , Lie symmetry determining equations are given. Then the non-Noether conserved quantity is obtained. An example is given to illustrate the application of the result.

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