# EXTERIOR - A MAPLE 10/11/12 library for computations in exterior calculus 

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- For image recognition applications, G is the (Lie) group of projective transformations (or a subgroup of this group). The action on $\mathbf{R}^{2}$ is given by

$$
(x, u) \mapsto\left(\frac{\alpha x+\beta u+\gamma}{\rho x+\sigma u+\tau}, \frac{\lambda x+\mu u+v}{\rho x+\sigma u+\tau}\right)
$$

with

$$
\operatorname{det}\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\alpha & \beta & \gamma \\
\lambda & \mu & \nu \\
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- Lifted coframe:

$$
\theta=G \cdot \omega=\left[\begin{array}{c}
a_{1} d u-a_{1} u_{x} d x \\
a_{2} d u+a_{3} d u_{x}-\left(a_{2} u_{x}+a_{3} F\right) d x \\
a_{4} d x
\end{array}\right]
$$

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- "Absorbed" form:

$$
\mathrm{d} \theta=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\Phi_{1} \wedge \theta_{1}+\mathrm{T} \theta_{2} \wedge \theta_{3} \\
\Phi_{2} \wedge \theta_{1}+\Phi_{3} \wedge \theta_{2} \\
\Phi_{4} \wedge \theta_{3}
\end{array}\right]
$$

with

$$
\Phi=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\frac{d a_{1}}{a_{1}}-\frac{a_{2} d x}{a_{3}} \\
\frac{d a_{2}}{a_{1}}-\frac{a_{2} d a_{3}+\left(a_{2}^{2}-a_{2} a_{3} F_{u_{x}}-a_{3}^{2} F_{u}\right) d x}{a_{1} a_{3}} \\
\frac{d a_{3}}{a_{3}}+\left(\frac{a_{2}}{a_{3}}+F_{u_{x}}\right) d x \\
\frac{d a_{4}}{a_{4}}
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$$

and

$$
\mathrm{T}=-\frac{\mathrm{a}_{1}}{\mathrm{a}_{3} \mathrm{a}_{4}} .
$$

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- Freedom in absorbed form:

$$
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$$
\mathrm{T}=-1
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that is,

$$
a_{3}=\frac{a_{1}}{a_{4}}
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- Recompute absorbed form:

$$
\mathrm{d} \theta=\left[\begin{array}{c}
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\Phi_{2} \wedge \theta_{1}+\left(\Phi_{1}-\Phi_{3}\right) \wedge \theta_{2} \\
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\Phi=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\frac{d a_{1}}{a_{1}}-\frac{a_{2} a_{4} d x}{a_{1}} \\
\frac{1}{a_{1}^{2} a_{4}}\left(a_{1} a_{4} d a_{2}-a_{2} a_{4} d a_{1}+a_{1} a_{2} d a_{4}\right. \\
\left.-\left(a_{2}^{2} a_{4}^{2}+a_{1} a_{2} a_{4} F_{u_{x}}-a_{1}^{2} F_{u}\right) d x\right) \\
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- We have

$$
\mathrm{d} \theta^{(1)}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
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\pi_{2} \wedge \theta_{1}+\pi_{1} \wedge \theta_{2}+\Phi_{2} \wedge \Phi_{3} \\
-2 \Phi_{2} \wedge \theta_{3}
\end{array}\right]
$$

with

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \pi_{1}=\mathrm{J}_{1} \theta_{2}+\mathrm{J}_{2} \theta_{3} \\
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- However they are not necessarily independent or in "optimal" form.

