# Section 8.6 - 8.8: Setup for Computing the Index

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 ${\sf Summary}/{\sf Outline}$ 

What we're trying to prove:

- 8.1.5:  $(d\mathcal{F})_u$  is a Fredholm operator of index  $\mu(x) - \mu(y)$ .

What we have so far:

Define

$$L: W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \longrightarrow L^p\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right)$$
$$Y \longmapsto \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} + J_0 \frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} + S(s,t)Y$$

where

$$S: \mathbb{R} \times S^1 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Mat}(2n; \mathbb{R})$$
$$S(s, t) \stackrel{s \longrightarrow \pm \infty}{\longrightarrow} S^{\pm}(t).$$

- Took  $R^{\pm}:I\longrightarrow \mathrm{Sp}(2n;\mathbb{R})$ : symplectic paths associated to  $S^{\pm}$
- These paths defined  $\mu(x), \mu(y)$
- Section 8.7:

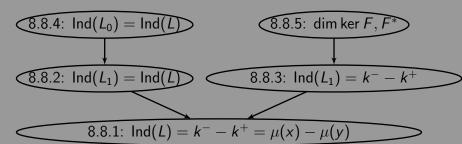
$$R^\pm \in \mathcal{S} := \Big\{ R(t) \; \Big| \; R(0) = \mathrm{id}, \; \det(R(1) - \mathrm{id}) 
eq 0 \Big\} \implies L \; \mathrm{is \; Fredholm}.$$

- WTS 8.8.1:

$$\operatorname{Ind}(L) \stackrel{\mathsf{Thm?}}{=} \mu(R^{-}(t)) - \mu(R^{+}(t)) = \mu(x) - \mu(y).$$

## From Yesterday

- Han proved 8.8.2 and 8.8.4.
  - So we know  $Ind(L) = Ind(L_1)$
- Today: 8.8.5 and 8.8.3:
  - Computing  $Ind(L_1)$  by computing kernels.



8.8.3: 
$$Ind(L_1) = k^- - k^+$$

## Recall

$$L: W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \longrightarrow L^p\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right)$$
$$Y \longmapsto \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} + J_0 \frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} + S(s,t)Y$$

$$L_{1}: W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^{1}; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \longrightarrow L^{p}\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^{1}; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right)$$

$$Y \longmapsto \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} + J_{0}\frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} + S(s)Y$$

$$L_1^*: W^{1,q}\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \longrightarrow L^q\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right)$$
$$Z \longmapsto -\frac{\partial Z}{\partial s} + J_0 \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} + S(s)^t Z$$

Here  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  are conjugate exponents.

#### Reductions

$$L_1^* = -\frac{\partial}{\partial s} + J_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + S(s)^t.$$

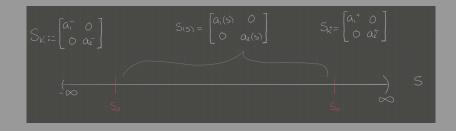
- Since coker  $L_1 \cong \ker L_1^*$ , it suffices to compute  $\ker L_1^*$
- We have

$$J_0^1 \coloneqq \left[egin{array}{ccc} 0 & -1 \ 1 & 0 \end{array}
ight] \implies J_0 = \left[egin{array}{ccc} J_0^1 & & & \ & J_0^1 & & \ & & \ddots & \ & & & J_0^1 \end{array}
ight] \in igoplus_{i=1}^n \operatorname{Mat}(2;\mathbb{R}).$$

This allows us to reduce to the n=1 case.

 $L_1$  used a path of diagonal matrices constant near  $\infty$ :

$$S(s) \coloneqq \left( egin{array}{cc} a_1(s) & 0 \ 0 & a_2(s) \end{array} 
ight), \quad ext{ with } a_i(s) \coloneqq \left\{ egin{array}{cc} a_i^- & ext{if } s \leq -s_0 \ a_i^+ & ext{if } s \geq s_0 \end{array} 
ight..$$



#### Statement of Lemma

Let p > 2 and define

$$F: W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1; \mathbb{R}^2\right) \longrightarrow L^p\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1; \mathbb{R}^2\right)$$
$$Y \mapsto \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} + J_0 \frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} + S(s)Y.$$

Note: this seems to be  $L_1$  for n = 1:

$$\begin{split} L_1: W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1;\mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) &\longrightarrow L^p\left(\mathbb{R}\times S^1;\mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \\ Y &\longmapsto \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} + J_0\frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} + S(s)Y. \end{split}$$

### Statement of Lemma

① Suppose  $a_1(s)=a_2(s)$  and define  $a^\pm\coloneqq a_1^\pm=a_2^\pm.$  Then

$$\dim \operatorname{Ker} F = 2 \cdot \# \left\{ \ell \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 2\pi\ell \in (a^-, a+) \right\}$$
$$\dim \operatorname{Ker} F^* = 2 \cdot \# \left\{ \ell \in \mathbf{Z} | a^+ < 2\pi\ell < a^- \right\}.$$

2) Suppose  $\sup_{s\in\mathbb{R}}\|S(s)\|<1$ , then

$$\dim \operatorname{\mathsf{Ker}} F = \# \left\{ i \in \{1,2\} \ \middle| \ a_i^- < 0 \text{ and } a_i^+ > 0 \right\}$$
 
$$\dim \operatorname{\mathsf{Ker}} F^\star = \# \left\{ i \in \{1,2\} \ \middle| \ a_i^+ < 0 \text{ and } a_i^- > 0 \right\}.$$

8.8.5: dim ker  $F, F^*$ 

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