Floer Talk

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What is $\mathcal{F}$?

We started with the unadorned Floer map:

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{C}^\infty\left(\mathbf{R} \times S^1; W\right) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty\left(\mathbf{R} \times S^1; TW\right)$$
$$u \longmapsto \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + J\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \operatorname{grad}_u\left(H_t\right)$$

and promoted this to a map of Banach spaces

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{P}^{1,p}(x,y) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}^p(x,y)$$
$$\mathcal{F}(u) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + J(u)\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \operatorname{grad} H_t(u).$$

What is the LHS? It is the space of maps

$$\mathcal{P}^{1,p}(x,y) :? \longrightarrow ?$$
$$(s,t) \mapsto \exp_{w(s,t)} Y(s,t).$$

where $Y \in W^{1,p}(w^*TW)$ and $w \in C^\infty_{\searrow}(x,y)$.

1 8.3: The Space of Perturbations of H

Goal: given a fixed Hamiltonian H, perturb (without modifying the periodic orbits) so that $\mathcal{M}(x,y)$ are manifolds of the right dimension.

Start by construction $\mathcal{C}^\infty_\varepsilon(H) \subset \mathcal{C}^\infty$, the space of perturbations of H. Idea: define a norm $\|\cdot\|_\varepsilon$ and take the subspace of finite-norm elements.

$$\|h\|_\varepsilon = \sum_{k \geq 0} \varepsilon k \sup_{(x,t) \in W \times S^1} \left| d^k h(x,t) \right|$$

$$= \sum_{k \geq 0} \varepsilon k \sup_{(x,t) \in W \times S^1} \sup_{i, z \in B(0,1)} \left| d^k (h \circ \Psi_i^{-1})(z) \right|.$$

Where $\{\varepsilon_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ is chosen such that $\mathcal{C}_\varepsilon^\infty \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty(W \times S^1)$ is dense for the C^∞ topology, and the $\Psi_i : B_i \longrightarrow \overline{B(0,1)}$ is a fixed finite sequence of diffeomorphisms where $\bigcup_i B_i^\circ = W \times S^1$.

> Note that we'll only use density for the C^1 topology in our case.

> **Proposition 1.1.**
> Such a sequence $\{\varepsilon_k\}$ can be chosen.

Proof .
Show that $C^\infty(W \times S^1)$ is separable, yielding a sequence $(f_n) \subset C^\infty(W \times S^1)$ that is dense in the C^1 topology, then

$$\varepsilon_n = \frac{1}{2^n \max_{k \leq n} \|f_k\| C^n(W \times S^1)}$$

where the diffeomorphisms Ψ_i are used to compute these norms. ∎

Go on to show that for $\|h\|_\varepsilon \ll 1$, the $\mathrm{Per}(H_0 + h) = \mathrm{Per}(H_0)$ and are nondegenerate.

1.1 8.4: Linearizing the Floer equation: The Differential of $\mathcal{F}$

Embed $TW \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m$ to identify tangent vectors (such as Z_i, tangents to W along u or in a neighborhood B of u) with actual vectors in $\mathbb{R}^m$.

> Why? Bypasses differentiating vector fields and the Levi-Cevita connection.

We can then identify $\mathrm{im}\, \mathcal{F} = C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^m)$ or $L^p(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; W)$, and we seek to compute its differential $d\mathcal{F}$.

> We've just replaced the target spaces here.

Recall that x, y are contractible loops in W that are nondegenerate critical points of the action functional $\mathcal{A}_H$ (i.e. solutions to the Floer equation), and $C_\searrow(x,y)$ was the set of maps $u : \mathbb{R} \times S^1 \longrightarrow W$ satisfying some conditions.

Fix a solution $u \in \mathcal{M}(x,y) \subset C_{\mathrm{Loc}}^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; W)$.

We lift each map to $\tilde{u} : S^2 \longrightarrow W$ in the following way: the loops x, y are contractible, so they bound discs. So we extend according to:
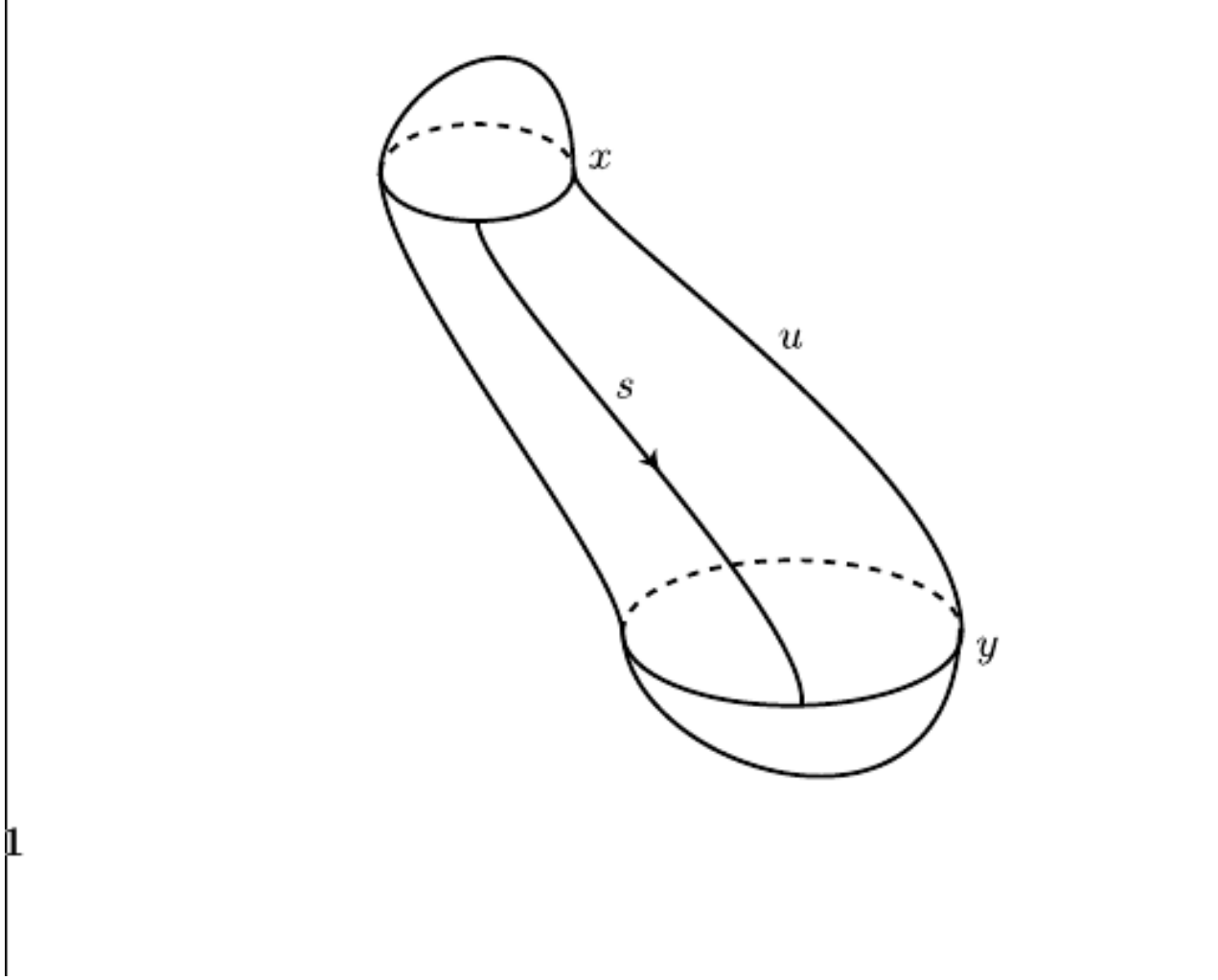
Recall assumption 6.22: every smooth map $w : S^2 \longrightarrow W$ yields a symplectic trivialization of $w^* TW$ (e.g. when $\pi_2(W) = 0$, so every map from S^2 extends to B^3).

Trivialize the symplectic fiber bundle $\tilde{u}^* TW$ to obtain an orthonormal frame $\{Z_i\}_{i=1}^{2n} \subset T_{u(s,t)}W$ depending smoothly on $(s,t) \in S^2$, where $\lim\limits_{s \longrightarrow \infty} Z_i$ exists for each i. We also require that $\partial_s Z_i, \partial_s^2 Z_i, \partial_s \partial_t Z_i \overset{s \longrightarrow \pm \infty}{\longrightarrow} 0$ for each i.

This frame defines a chart about u of $\mathcal{P}^{1,p}(x,y)$ given by

$$\iota : W^{1,p}\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^{2n}\right) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}^{1,p}(x,y)$$
$$\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \ldots, y_{2n}) \longmapsto \exp_u\left(\sum y_i Z_i\right).$$

Since $(d\exp)_0 = \mathrm{id}$, we have $(d\iota)_0(\mathbf{y}) = \sum\limits_i y_i Z_i$.

We'll now consider and compute the differential of

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{P}^{1,p}(x,y) \overset{\mathcal{F}}{\longrightarrow} L^p\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; TW\right) \longrightarrow L^p\left(\mathbb{R} \times S^1; \mathbb{R}^m\right)$$
$$u \longmapsto \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + J(u)\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - X_t(u)\right).$$

Take the vector $Y(s,t) := (y_1(s,t), \cdots) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, where we view Y as a vector in $\mathbb{R}^m$ tangent to W, given by $Y = \sum y_i Z_i$.