

Therefore, in order to prove $M_J = \{ \text{moduli space of } J\text{-hol. curve} \} = \mathcal{D}_J^{-1}(0)$. ^{is a mod} we

just need to show $\forall u \in \mathcal{D}_J^{-1}(0)$, D_u is surjective. \leftarrow

we actually arrive at this pt by an informal argument near the end of SFT-2.

3. Remarks

Link If so, then

$$\dim M_J = \dim \ker(D_u) \quad \forall u \in \mathcal{D}_J^{-1}(0)$$

One ambiguity: $\mathcal{D}_J^{-1}(0)$ may not be (path) connected!

$$\mathcal{D}_J^{-1}(0) \underset{\substack{= \\ \text{one way to decompose}}}{=} \mathcal{D}_{J,A}^{-1}(0) \cup \mathcal{D}_{J,B}^{-1}(0) \cup \dots$$

A, B htp class

of $\text{im}(u)$ in $H_2(M, \mathbb{R})$

(possibly with asymptotic ends or boundary conds).

\Rightarrow one considers $M_{A,J}$ (i.e. fix J but with further top constraints).

and $\dim M_{A,J}$ should depend on class A (later lectures).

Moreover, in each connected component, say $\mathcal{D}_{J,A}^{-1}(0)$,

$$\{u_t\}_{t \in [0,1]} \leadsto D_{u_t} \Rightarrow \text{ind}(D_u) \text{ is ind of the path}$$

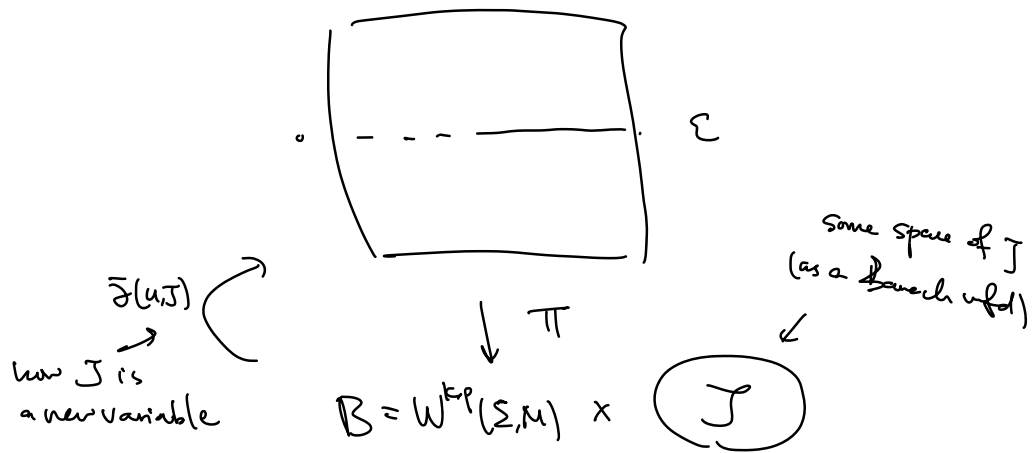
\Rightarrow a benefit to calculate $\text{ind}(D_u)$ from some "special" $u \in \mathcal{D}_{J,A}^{-1}(0)$.

Link (a delicate point). Does $\text{ind}(D_u)$ (or more precisely $\ker(D_u)$ or $\text{coker}(D_u)$) depends on the regularity degree k ? NO

J is smooth $\xrightarrow{\text{assumption}}$ \Rightarrow $u \in W^{k,p}(\Sigma, M) \cap C^1$ \Rightarrow then above applies for any $k \geq 1$.
 $\xrightarrow{\text{last time}}$ \Rightarrow u is in fact smooth $\Rightarrow \{ \in \ker(D_u) \subset W^{k,p}$
 and u is J -hol. \Rightarrow is in fact smooth.

But The reality is that for J , D_u is not nec surjective :c.

To deal with a general case, consider



$$M^{univ} = \{ (u, J) \mid \bar{\partial}_J u = 0 \} \xrightarrow[p]{\text{projection}} J$$

Then $D_{u,J}$ = linearization of $\bar{\partial}$ at (u, J) : $W^{kp}(u^*(M) \times T_J J \rightarrow T_{(u,J)} \Sigma^{vert}$.

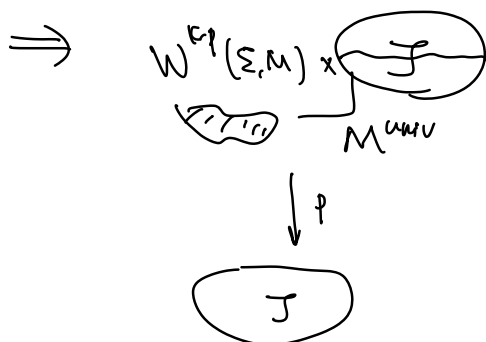
and can be expressed as $D_{u,J} = D_u + \text{extra term from } T_J J$.

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the one discussed in SFT2
(more precisely, $(D_u, 0) + (0, \text{extra term})$)

For each $J \in J$, since D_u is Fredholm (in particular, $\text{coker}(D_u)$ is finite-dimensional), when $T_J J$ is sufficiently large, $D_{u,J}$ will be surjective.

In general, this needs extra care due to "multiple covers".

\Rightarrow $D_{u,J}$ is also Fredholm and we get M^{univ} as a smooth wfd.



\exists a lot by Smale-Sard's then.
check if $J \in J$ is a regular value of projective π_J , then

$$p^{-1}(J) = M_J \subset \Sigma \times J$$

is a smooth wfd.

4. Fredholm form matrices

Recall $Sp(2n) = \{ X \in M_{2n \times 2n}(\mathbb{R}) \mid X^T J X = J \}$ where

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{in coordinate } (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n))$$

Its Lie algebra $sp(2n)$ computes as

$$sp(2n) = \{ B \in M_{2n \times 2n}(\mathbb{R}) \mid B^T J + J B = 0 \}$$

Observe that $\underbrace{-JB}_{\text{for } B \in sp(2n)}$ is symmetric b/c $(-JB)^T = -B^T J^T = B^T J = -JB$ and vice versa.

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{F} = \{\mathbb{F}(t)\}_{t \in [0,1]}$ a path in $Sp(2n)$ s.t. $\mathbb{F}(0) = \mathbb{I}$.

then

$$S(t) := -J \cdot \mathbb{F}'(t) \cdot \mathbb{F}(t)^{-1} \quad \leftarrow \text{This is an ODE. } (*)$$

gives a path $S = \{S(t)\}_{t \in [0,1]}$ a path in $Sym(2n)$

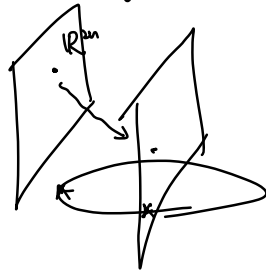
(conversely, given $S(t)$, we can recover $\mathbb{F}(t)$ by solving the ODE above).

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \left\{ \mathbb{F}(t) \right\}_{t \in [0,1]} \text{ in } Sp(2n) \right\}_{\text{starting from } \mathbb{I}} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \left\{ \left\{ S(t) \right\}_{t \in [0,1]} \text{ in } Sym(2n) \right\}$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow -J \mathbb{F}'(t) - S(t) \mathbb{F}(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(-J \frac{d}{dt} - S(t) \right) \cdot \mathbb{F}(t) = 0$$

view multiplication by a matrix as an action

Rank How to get a patch of matrices?



$$S' \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

$$S \in \Gamma(S', S' \times \mathbb{R}^{2n})$$

S^1

\Rightarrow

$$S(p), S(q) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

and \exists matrix $A_{p,q}$ s.t.

$$A_{p,q} \cdot S(p) = S(q).$$

(then fix $p=0$ and move $q \in [0,1]$)

Therefore, we can generalize from patches of matrices to fcn space $S' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n}$
(or $[0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n}$)

Introduce the notation: $A: W^{1,2}(S', \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \rightarrow L^2(S', \mathbb{R}^{2n})$

both are Hilbert space

$$f = f(t) \mapsto -J \frac{d}{dt} \cdot f(t) - S(t) \cdot f(t) =: A(f)$$

(i.e. $A := -J \frac{d}{dt} - S$, where $S: \underline{\Delta} \rightarrow \text{Sym}(2n)$)

Ex Let's play with operator A , when S in A is induced by a path

$\Phi = \{\Phi_t\}$ in $\text{Sp}(2n)$. *in the sense that via the ODE above, $S(t)$ satisfies $S(0) = S(1)$ (so defined over S').*

** To get such Φ , one can consider $\Phi = \{\Phi_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ satisfying $\Phi(t+1) = \Phi(t) \cdot \Phi(1)$*

• $f \in \ker(A)$, by def, $J \frac{df}{dt} = -S(f)$. which is eqn to

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \Phi'(t) \Phi^{-1}(t) f.$$

$$\Phi(t) \Phi^{-1}(t) = \text{Id} \longrightarrow = -\Phi(t) (\Phi^{-1}(t))' (f)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi'(t) \Phi^{-1}(t) = -\Phi(t) (\Phi^{-1}(t))'$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(t)^{-1} \frac{df}{dt} = -(\Phi^{-1}(t))' (f) \Leftrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (\Phi(t)^{-1} f) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(t)^{-1} \cdot f(t) = f(0) \cdot \Phi^{-1}(0) = f(0).$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = \Phi(t) \cdot f(0)$$

Since f is defined over S' , we have.

$$f(0) = f(1) = \mathbb{F}(1) \cdot f(0) \Leftrightarrow \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{2n}}}{f(0)} \in \ker(\mathbb{F}(1) - \mathbb{1}).$$

• Moreover, if $f(0) = 0$, then

$$f(t) = \mathbb{F}(t) \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow f \equiv 0 \text{ in } W^{1,2}.$$

• Suppose $\exists v \in \ker(\mathbb{F}(1) - \mathbb{1})$, then define

$$f(t) := \mathbb{F}(t) \cdot v \quad (\text{so } f(0) = v)$$

$$\text{Then } f(1) = \mathbb{F}(1) \cdot v = v = f(0) \Rightarrow f \in W^{1,2}(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n}).$$

Moreover, one can check as in the first bullet above, $A(f) = 0$.

All together one gets

$$\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{more analysis}}}{\ker(A) \subset W^{1,2}(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})} \xrightarrow[\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{as a vector space}}]{} \ker(\mathbb{F}(1) - \mathbb{1}) \xleftarrow{\substack{\leftarrow \\ \text{more geometry}}}$$

Def. A path $\mathbb{F} = \{\mathbb{F}(t)\}_{t \in [0,1]}$ in $Sp(2n)$ is called non-degenerate if

$$\ker(\mathbb{F}(1) - \mathbb{1}) = 0 \quad (\Leftrightarrow \underset{\text{Exakter}}{\ker(A)} = 0).$$

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This can be used to
define a closed Ham
orbit is non-deg.
(cf. Arnold conjecture in SFT)

Ex Here is another basic observation of A . For $f, g \in W^{1,2}(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Af, g \rangle &= \int_0^1 \langle -J \frac{df}{dt} - S(t)f, g \rangle dt \\ &= - \int_0^1 \omega_{std} \left(J \frac{df}{dt}, Jg \right) dt - \int_0^1 \langle S(t)f, g \rangle dt \end{aligned}$$

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \omega(\cdot, J\cdot)$

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inner product
in $\underline{\underline{L^2(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})}}$ not $W^{1,2}$!

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \int_0^1 \omega_{std} \left(\frac{d}{dt} g \right) dt - \int_0^1 \langle S(f), g \rangle dt \\
&\stackrel{\substack{\int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} \omega_{std}(f, g) dt \\ = 0 \text{ b/c } f, g \text{ defined on } S^1}}{=} \int_0^1 \omega_{std} \left(f, \frac{dg}{dt} \right) dt - \int_0^1 \langle f, Sg \rangle dt. \quad \leftarrow \text{b/c } S \text{ is symmetric.} \\
&= \dots = \langle f, Ag \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow A$ is symmetric wrt \langle, \rangle_{L^2} on $W^{1,2}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^{2n})$.

Then Operator $A: W^{1,2}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \rightarrow L^2(S^1, \mathbb{R}^{2n})$ is a Fredholm operator.

pf We aim to use the useful lemma above to show this. $\exists C > 0$ s.t. $\forall f \in W^{1,2}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^{2n})$, we have

$$\|f\|_{W^{1,2}} \leq C (\|Af\|_{L^2} + \|f\|_{L^2}) \quad \left(\text{The expected cpt operator is } W^{1,2} \hookrightarrow L^2 \text{ (which is cpt, see SF7-3)} \right)$$

Let's do it:

$$\|f\|_{W^{1,2}}^2 = \|f\|_{L^2}^2 + \left\| \frac{d}{dt} f \right\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$= \|f\|_{L^2}^2 + \|J(A+S)(f)\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$= \|f\|_{L^2}^2 + \|(A+S)(f)\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$= \|f\|_{L^2}^2 + \|Af\|_{L^2}^2 + 2\langle Af, Sf \rangle + \|Sf\|_{L^2}^2$$

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\langle Af, Sf \rangle$$

$$\leq \|Af\|_{L^2} \|Sf\|_{L^2}$$

and

$$2ab \leq a^2 + b^2$$

$$\leq C (\|Af\|_{L^2}^2 + \|f\|_{L^2}^2) \quad \text{b/c } S \text{ is a bounded operator}$$

$$\leq C (\|Af\|_{L^2} + \|f\|_{L^2})^2$$

(a continuous family of matrix over a closed interval $[0,1]$).

So A is semi-Fredholm (closed image and $\ker(A)$ finite-dim!).

already known if $S = S_{\mathbb{R}}$
by the first Ex. above
in this section.

Now, let's prove $\dim(\operatorname{coker} A)$ is also finite-dim!. In fact, we will show that

$$\dim(\operatorname{coker} A) = \dim(\ker A) \quad (*)$$

For $g \in \operatorname{coker} A = \underset{\text{orthogonal}}{\text{complement of } A \text{ in } L^2(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})}$, so $\langle g, Af \rangle = 0$

$\forall f \in W^{1,2}(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})$ and then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \langle g, Af \rangle &= \langle g, J \frac{df}{dt} + Sf \rangle = \langle g, J \frac{df}{dt} \rangle + \langle g, Sf \rangle \\ &= -\langle Jg, \frac{df}{dt} \rangle + \langle Sg, f \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \langle Jg, \frac{df}{dt} \rangle &= \langle Sg, f \rangle \Leftrightarrow -\langle J \frac{d}{dt} g, f \rangle = \langle Sg, f \rangle \\ &\Rightarrow \langle (-J \frac{d}{dt} - S)g, f \rangle = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (-J \frac{d}{dt} - S)g = 0. \end{aligned}$$

so $g \in W^{1,2}(S'; \mathbb{R}^{2n})$ and $g \in \ker A$. Therefore

$$\operatorname{coker} A \subset \ker A \quad (\text{inside } W^{1,2}).$$

Since A is symmetric, we also have $\ker A \subset \operatorname{coker} A \Rightarrow \ker A = \operatorname{coker} A$. \square

recall weak derivative means $\int g f' = - \int g' f$.

Rank (*) above implies that $\operatorname{ind}(A) = 0$.