

Polyfold - Fredholm theory

M-polyfold bundles and Fredholm sections

Literature: • Hofer-Wysocki-Zehnder

• Hofer - surveys

• Fukaya-Fukaya-Golovko-Wehrheim: "Polyfolds - A first and second look"

Ex: $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Morse function, $\text{crit } f = \{0\}$

$\overline{M}_{\text{Morse}}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n) = \mathcal{E}^{-1}(0)$ for M -polyfold Fredholm section $\mathcal{E} \downarrow \mathcal{E}$

$|\mathcal{E}| = \bigcup_{L>0} H^1([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n) \cup_{\text{profile}} H^1([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^1((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$
 second countable metric space

M-polyfold charts

• near $y_0: [-L, L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ $\mathbb{R} \times H^1([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n) \supset (\frac{1}{2}, 2) \times \{\| \cdot \| < \delta\} \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{nbhd}(y) \subset |\mathcal{E}|$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{open}} \mathcal{U} = r(\mathcal{U}) = \emptyset \quad (\theta, \bar{z}) \mapsto (y_0 + \bar{z}) \circ (\theta^{-1}) : [-\theta L, \theta L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

• near (y_0^-, y_0^+) $[0, v_0) \times H^1([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^1((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$ $\text{nbhd}(y_0^-, y_0^+) \subset |\mathcal{E}|$

$r \hat{=} (\pi_{R(v)})_{ve(q,v)} \downarrow \text{retraction (splicing)}$
 $\cong \bigcup_{ve(q,v)} \{v\} \times \ker \Theta_{R(v)}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{homeomorphism}} \bigoplus_{R(v)} (y_0^- + \bar{z}_-, y_0^+ + \bar{z}_+)$
 $\text{sc-retract (splicing core)}$ $\tau_R = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_R & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta & 1-\beta \\ \beta-1 & \beta \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta & 1-\beta \\ \beta-1 & \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau_R & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_R \end{pmatrix}$
 $\tau_R(y) = y(\cdot + R)$

$\text{Obj } \mathcal{E} = \bigcup_{\gamma_i} \mathcal{U}_i \cup \bigcup_{(y_0^-, y_0^+)} \mathcal{O}_j$

transition maps ($\hat{=} \text{to } s^{-1}$ for $(s+t): \text{Mor } \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{Obj } \mathcal{E}$)

$\mathcal{U}_j \supset \varphi_j^{-1}(\varphi_i(\mathcal{U}_i)) \xrightarrow{\text{sc}^\infty} \mathcal{U}_i \quad (\theta, \bar{z}) \mapsto \left(\frac{L_j}{L_i} \theta, (y_j + \bar{z}) \left(\frac{L_j}{L_i} \cdot \right) - y_i \right)$ is in fact $e^\omega(H^k) \forall k$

$[0, v_0) \times \mathcal{E}_j \supset r_j^{-1}(\dots) \xrightarrow{\text{sc}^\infty} \mathcal{U}_i \subset \mathcal{E}_i$
 $\downarrow r_j \quad \downarrow r_j$
 $\mathcal{O}_j \supset \varphi_j^{-1}(\varphi_i(\mathcal{U}_i)) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_i$
 $(v, \bar{z}_-, \bar{z}_+) \mapsto \bigoplus_{R(v)} (y_0^- + \bar{z}_-, y_0^+ + \bar{z}_+) \circ (R(v)^{-1}) - y_i$

Note: $\varphi_i^{-1} \circ \varphi_i$ or r_j has same formula since r_j projects along $\ker \Theta$

$[0, v_0) \times \mathcal{E}_j \supset r_j^{-1}(\dots) \xrightarrow{\text{sc}^\infty} [0, v_0) \times \mathcal{E}_i$
 $\downarrow r_j \quad \downarrow r_j$
 $\mathcal{O}_j \supset \varphi_j^{-1}(\varphi_i(\mathcal{U}_i)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_i$
 $(v, \bar{z}_-, \bar{z}_+) \mapsto \varphi_i^{-1} \left(\bigoplus_{R(v)} (y_0^- + \bar{z}_-, y_0^+ + \bar{z}_+) \right)$
 $= \left(v, \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{R(v)} & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_{R(v)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_j & 1-\beta_j \\ \beta_j-1 & \beta_j \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_j & 1-\beta_j \\ \beta_j-1 & \beta_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{R_j(v)} & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_{R_j(v)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_0^- + \bar{z}_- \\ y_0^+ + \bar{z}_+ \end{pmatrix} - (y_0^-) \right)$

using fixed $R_i(v) = R_j(v)$

sc^∞ follows as for splicing when using exponential gluing profile $R_i(v) = e^{iv} - e$

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$$|\mathcal{E}| = \bigcup_{L>0} H^1([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n) \cup_{\text{preglue}} H^1([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^1((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \downarrow |\mathcal{G}| \\ |\mathcal{E}| \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \downarrow \gamma \\ \gamma - \nabla f(\gamma) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \downarrow (y_-, y_+) \\ (y_- - \nabla f(y_-), y_+ - \nabla f(y_+)) \end{matrix}$

M-poly bundle charts

• near $\gamma_0: [-L, L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\underbrace{\mathbb{R} \times H^1([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n)}_{\mathbb{E}} \supset \mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{nbhd}(\gamma) \subset \mathcal{E}$$

$\theta, \xi \mapsto (\gamma_0 + \xi)(\theta^{-1})$

$$\text{Obj } \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{U} \subset \text{Obj } \mathcal{E}} = \underbrace{\mathcal{U} \times H^0([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n)}_{\mathbb{F}} \xleftarrow{\mathcal{G}} \left(\theta, \xi, \left(\theta^{-1} \frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f \right) (\gamma_0 + \xi) \right)$$

$\downarrow \frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f$
 $H^0([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n) \sim \{0\}$

• near (γ_-^0, γ_+^0)

$$[0, v_0] \times H^1([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^1((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n) = \mathcal{U}$$

$$\downarrow (\pi_{\mathbb{R}^n})_{v \in [0, v_0]} \quad \text{nbhd}(\gamma_-^0, \gamma_+^0) \subset \mathcal{E}$$

$$\mathcal{O} \cong \bigcup_{v \in [0, v_0]} \{v\} \times \text{im } \pi_{\mathbb{R}^n} \quad \oplus_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\gamma_-^0 + \xi_-, \gamma_+^0 + \xi_+)$$

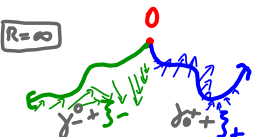
$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}^n}(\xi_-, \xi_+) = 0$$

$$\text{Obj } \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{O} \subset \text{Obj } \mathcal{E}} = \bigcup_{v \in [0, v_0]} \{v\} \times \text{im } \pi_{\mathbb{R}^n} \times \text{im } \pi_{\mathbb{R}^n} \quad (v, \xi_-, \xi_+, \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{R}^n}(\xi_-, \xi_+))$$

$$\uparrow (\pi_{\mathbb{R}^n} \times \pi_{\mathbb{R}^n})_{v \in [0, v_0]} \quad \pi_{\mathbb{R}}|_{\mathbb{E}} = \pi_{\mathbb{R}}$$

defined for all $(\xi_-, \xi_+) \in \mathbb{E}$
"filled section"

$$[0, v_0] \times \underbrace{\mathbb{E} \times H^1([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^1((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)}_{\mathbb{F}}$$



$$\mathcal{D}_{\infty}(\xi_-, \xi_+) = \left(\left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f \right) (\gamma_-^0 + \xi_-), \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f \right) (\gamma_+^0 + \xi_+) \right)$$



$$\mathcal{D}_{R<\infty}(\xi_-, \xi_+) = \boxplus_R^{-1} \left(\left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f \right) \oplus_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\gamma_-^0 + \xi_-, \gamma_+^0 + \xi_+), \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla^2 f(0) \right) (\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}^n}(\xi_-, \xi_+)) \right)$$

$$\boxplus_R: \mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{\sim} H^0([-R, R], \mathbb{R}^n) \times H^0((-\infty, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\uparrow \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla^2 f(0) \right)$$

linearization of $\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f$ at $\gamma \equiv 0 \in \text{crit } f$

Definition 6.1.4. An **M-polyfold bundle** is an sc^∞ surjection $p : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ between two M-polyfolds together with a real vector space structure on each fiber $\mathcal{Y}_x := p^{-1}(x) \subset \mathcal{Y}$ over $x \in \mathcal{X}$ such that, for a sufficiently small neighbourhood $U \subset \mathcal{X}$ of any point in \mathcal{X} there exists a **local sc-trivialization** $\Phi : \mathcal{Y} \supset p^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$. The latter is an sc^∞ diffeomorphism to an **sc-bundle retract** $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{p \in \mathcal{O}} \{p\} \times \mathcal{R}_p \subset \mathbb{E} \times \mathbb{F}$ that covers an M-polyfold chart $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{E}$ in the sense that $\text{pr}_{\mathcal{O}} \circ \Phi = \phi \circ p$, and preserves the linear structure in the sense that $\Phi|_{\mathcal{Y}_x} : \mathcal{Y}_x \rightarrow \{\phi(x)\} \times \mathcal{R}_{\phi(x)}$ is an isomorphism in every fiber over $x \in U$.

$$\mathcal{E}_{(v, \mathbb{I})} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} H^0([-L, L], \mathbb{R}^n) \\ H^0([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n) * H^0((-\infty, 0], \mathbb{R}^n) \end{array} \right\}_{\oplus} \simeq \text{im } \pi_v \quad ; v > 0$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{(v, \mathbb{I}) \in \mathcal{O}} \{(v, \mathbb{I})\} * \text{im } \pi_v$$

Definition 6.1.1. Let $\mathcal{O} \subset [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E}$ be an sc-retract with corners in the sense of Definition 5.3.4, and let \mathbb{F} be an sc-Banach space. Then a **sc-bundle retract** over \mathcal{O} in \mathbb{F} is a family of subspaces $(\mathcal{R}_p \subset \mathbb{F})_{p \in \mathcal{O}}$ that are scale smoothly parametrized by $p \in \mathcal{O}$ in the following sense: There exists a **sc-retraction of bundle type**,

$$(10) \quad \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{\text{specifying}} [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E} \times \mathbb{F}, \quad (v, e, f) \mapsto (r(v, e), \Pi_{(v, e)} f),$$

given by a neat sc-retraction $r : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E}$ with image $r(\mathcal{U}) = \mathcal{O}$ and a family of linear projections $\Pi_{(v, e)} : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ that are parametrized by $(v, e) \in \mathcal{U}$, and whose images for $p = (v, e) \in \mathcal{O}$ are the given subspaces $\Pi_p(\mathbb{F}) = \mathcal{R}_p$.

Definition 6.2.8. An sc^∞ section $s : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ of an M -polyfold bundle is a **sc-Fredholm section** if s is **regularizing** in the sense of Definition 6.1.8 and for each $x \in \mathcal{X}_\infty$ there is a local sc -trivialization $\Phi : p^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ in the sense of Definition 6.1.4 over a neighbourhood $U \subset \mathcal{X}$ of x with $\Phi(x, 0) = 0$, such that $\Phi_* s$ has a **Fredholm filling** in the sense of Definition 6.2.7. \oplus in trivializations:

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{(v, \xi)} \mapsto (v, \xi, f(v, \xi)) \\ & \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{E} \\ & [0, v_0) \times H^1([0, \infty)) \times H^1((-\infty, 0)) \xrightarrow{\bar{F}} H^0([0, \infty)) \times H^0((-\infty, 0)) \\ & (v, \xi_-, \xi_+) \mapsto \begin{cases} ((\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f)(\gamma_-^0 + \xi_-), (\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f)(\gamma_+^0 + \xi_+)) & ; v=0 \\ \bigoplus_{\mathbb{R}(v)}^{-1} \left((\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla f) \bigoplus_{\mathbb{R}(v)} (\gamma_-^0 + \xi_-, \gamma_+^0 + \xi_+), (\frac{d}{dt} + \nabla^2 f \omega) \bigoplus_{\mathbb{R}(v)} (\xi_-, \xi_+) \right) & ; v > 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 6.2.7. Let $s : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$, $s(p) = (p, f(p))$ be an sc^∞ section of an M -polyfold bundle model $pr_{\mathcal{O}} : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ as in Definition 6.1.1, whose base is an sc -retract $\mathcal{O} \subset [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E}$ containing $0 \in [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E}$, and with fibers $\mathcal{R}_p \subset \mathbb{F}$ for $p \in \mathcal{O}$. Then a **Fredholm filling at 0** for s over \mathcal{O} consists of

- a **sc-retraction of bundle type** $R : \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{F}$, $R(p, h) = (r(p), \Pi_p h)$ on an open subset $\mathcal{U} \subset [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E}$ such that $r(\mathcal{U}) = \mathcal{O}$ and $\Pi_p \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{R}_p$ for all $p \in \mathcal{O}$,
- an sc^∞ map $\bar{f} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ that is **sc-Fredholm at 0** in the sense of Definition 6.2.4,

with the following properties:

- (i) $\bar{f}|_{\mathcal{O}} = f$;
- (ii) if $p \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $\bar{f}(p) \in \mathcal{R}_{r(p)}$ then $p = r(p)$, that is $p \in \mathcal{O}$;
- (iii) The linearisation of the map $[0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, $p \mapsto (id_{\mathbb{F}} - \Pi_{r(p)})\bar{f}(p)$ at each $p \in \mathcal{O}$ restricts to an isomorphism from $\ker D_p r$ to $\ker \Pi_p$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) } \bar{f}|_{\mathcal{O}} = f; \\ \text{(ii) if } p \in \mathcal{U} \text{ such that } \bar{f}(p) \in \mathcal{R}_{r(p)} \text{ then } p = r(p), \text{ that is } p \in \mathcal{O}; \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \bar{f}^{-1}(0) = f^{-1}(0) \\ & \text{(iii) The linearisation of the map } [0, \infty)^k \times \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}, p \mapsto (id_{\mathbb{F}} - \Pi_{r(p)})\bar{f}(p) \text{ at each } p \in \mathcal{O} \\ & \text{restricts to an isomorphism from } \ker D_p r \text{ to } \ker \Pi_p. \\ & \ker D_{(v_0, \xi_0)} r \xrightarrow{\cong} \ker \Pi_{v_0} \\ & \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{E} = T_p \mathcal{O} \oplus T_p \mathcal{O}^\perp \supset T_p \mathcal{O}^\perp \xrightarrow{I_p} \mathbb{E}_p^\perp \subset \mathbb{E}_p \oplus \mathbb{E}_p^\perp = \mathbb{F} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \text{im } D_p r \oplus \ker D_p r \quad \quad \quad \text{im } \Pi_p \oplus \ker \Pi_p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D\bar{f} &= D(\Pi_v \circ \bar{f}) + \underbrace{D((id - \Pi_v) \circ \bar{f})}_{\cong 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{O}} = \Pi_v \circ D\bar{f} + (id - \Pi_v) \circ D\bar{f} \\ \text{at } (v_0, \xi_0) \in \bar{f}^{-1}(0) \subset \mathcal{O} & \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \Pi_{v_0} \circ D\bar{f}|_{T_p \mathcal{O}} & \Pi_{v_0} \circ D\bar{f}|_{T_p \mathcal{O}^\perp} \\ 0 & I_p \end{pmatrix} : T_p \mathcal{O} \oplus T_p \mathcal{O}^\perp \rightarrow \mathbb{E}_p \oplus \mathbb{E}_p^\perp \end{aligned}$$

Note: I_p isomorphism \Rightarrow $(D\bar{f} \text{ surjective iff } \Pi_{v_0} \circ D\bar{f}|_{T_p \mathcal{O}} \text{ surjective})$

Definition 6.3.1. A scale smooth section $s : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ is called **transverse (to the zero section)** if for every $x \in s^{-1}(0)$ the linearization $D_x s : T_x \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_x$ is surjective. Here the linearization $D_x s$ is represented by the differential $D_{\phi(x)}(\Pi \circ f \circ r)|_{T_{\phi(x)} \mathcal{O}} : T_{\phi(x)} \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \Pi_{\phi(x)}(\mathbb{F})$ in any local sc-trivialization $p^{-1}(U) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigcup_{p \in \mathcal{O}} \Pi_p(\mathbb{F})$ which covers $\phi : \mathcal{X} \supset U \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O} = r(\mathcal{U}) \subset \mathbb{E}$ and transforms s to $p \mapsto (p, f(p))$.

(by Note on p.5) \Downarrow \mathbb{E}
 $\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{F} \ni 0$

\Downarrow I.F.Thm. of scale calculus

Applied Regularization

Theorem 6.3.2 ([HWZ2], Thm. 5.14). Let $s : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ be a transverse sc-Fredholm section. Then the solution set $\mathcal{M} := s^{-1}(0)$ inherits from its ambient space \mathcal{X} a smooth structure as finite dimensional manifold. Its dimension is given by the Fredholm index of s and the tangent bundle is given by the kernel of the linearized section, $T_x \mathcal{M} = \ker D_x s$.

Theorem 6.3.7. ([HWZ2], Theorem 5.22) Let $pr : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ be a strong M -polyfold bundle modeled on sc-Hilbert spaces, and let $s : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ be a proper Fredholm section.

- (i) For any auxiliary norm $N : \mathcal{Y}_1 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and neighbourhood $s^{-1}(0) \subset \mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{X}$ controlling compactness, there exists an sc^+ -section $\nu : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_1$ with $\text{supp } \nu \subset \mathcal{U}$ and $\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} N(\nu(x)) < 1$, and such that $s + \nu$ is transverse to the zero section. In particular, $(s + \nu)^{-1}(0)$ carries the structure of a smooth compact manifold.
- (ii) Given two transverse perturbations $\nu_i : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_1$ for $i = 0, 1$ as in (i), controlled by auxiliary norms and neighbourhoods (N_i, \mathcal{U}_i) controlling compactness, there exists an sc^+ -section $\tilde{\nu} : \mathcal{X} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_1$ such that $\{(x, t) \in \mathcal{X} \times [0, 1] \mid s(x) + \tilde{\nu}(x, t)\}$ is a smooth compact cobordism from $(s + \nu_0)^{-1}(0)$ to $(s + \nu_1)^{-1}(0)$.