

orienting $\mathcal{M}^{\#,\text{reg}}(J)$ (closed case)

$\mathcal{M}_{g,m}(J,A) \rightarrow [(\Sigma, j_0, \Theta, u_0)]$ has nbhd $\cong \bar{\partial}_J^{-1}(u) / \text{aut}(\Sigma, j_0, \Theta)$

w/ $\bar{\partial}_J: \mathcal{T} \times W^{k,p}(\Sigma, \hat{W}) \rightarrow E^{k-1,p}: (j,u) \mapsto du + \mathcal{T}(u) \circ da \circ j$

$\Rightarrow T_{u_0} \mathcal{M}(J) = \ker D\bar{\partial}_J(j,u) / \text{aut}(\Sigma, j_0, \Theta)$. $\text{aut}(\Sigma, j_0, \Theta)$ has a natural \mathbb{C} -str. \rightarrow orientation

\Rightarrow orientation of $T_{u_0} \mathcal{M}(J)$ is equiv. to an orientation of $\ker D\bar{\partial}_J(j,u)$.

$D\bar{\partial}_J(j,u): \underbrace{T_{j_0} \mathcal{T} \oplus W^{k,p}(u_0^* T\hat{W})}_{\text{cplx vec. space}} \rightarrow W^{k-1,p}(\underbrace{\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(T\Sigma, u_0^* T\hat{W})}_{\mathbb{C}\text{-linear}} + \underbrace{D_{u_0} \eta}_{\text{CR-type op.}})$
 $(\eta, \eta) \mapsto \underbrace{\mathcal{T}(u_0) \circ du_0 \circ \eta}_{\mathbb{C}\text{-linear}} + \underbrace{D_{u_0} \eta}_{\text{CR-type op.}}$

If D_{u_0} is \mathbb{C} -linear, $\ker D\bar{\partial}_J(j,u)$ is cplx v.s. \Rightarrow has natural orientation.

idea: D_{u_0} is homotopic through Fredholm ops. to its \mathbb{C} -linear part

$D_{u_0}^{\mathbb{C}} \eta := \frac{1}{2} (D_{u_0} \eta - \mathcal{T} D_{u_0} (\mathcal{T} \eta))$, let $D_{u_0}^s := s D_{u_0} + (1-s) D_{u_0}^{\mathbb{C}}$,

$\leadsto L^s(\bar{\eta}, \eta) = \mathcal{T}(u_0) \circ du_0 \circ \eta + D_{u_0}^s \eta$. $0 \leq s \leq 1$.

fantasy: If L^s surj $\forall s \in [0,1]$, their kernels vary continuously,

\Rightarrow can defn an orientation of every $\ker D\bar{\partial}_J(j,u)$ by retracting the ops. to \mathbb{C} -linear parts & using natural orientation of $\ker L^0$.

problem: Cannot usually guarantee L^s surj. $\forall s \in [0,1]$.

determinant line bundle: Fix X, Y Banach spaces. For $T \in \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$,

$$\det(T) := \Lambda^{\max} \ker T \otimes (\Lambda^{\max} \text{coker } T)^*$$

Convention: $\Lambda^{\max} \{0\} = \mathbb{R}$

rk: $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$ surj. ops.

\Rightarrow if T is an iso, $\det(T) = \mathbb{R}$.

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 $T \mapsto \det(T) = \Lambda^{\max} \ker T \Rightarrow$ these form a real rank 1 vec. bundle over \mathcal{U}
 (since $\bigcup_{T \in \mathcal{U}} \ker T$ is a v.b.).

thm: \exists a real topological line bundle $\det(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$ s.t.

$\pi^{-1}(T) = \det(T)$ & this bundle structure is compatible w/ the bundle str.

of $\bigcup_{T \in \mathcal{U}} \ker T$ for $\mathcal{U} := \{T \text{ surj.}\}$.

observe: An orientation of $\det(T)$ is equiv. to an orient. $\ker T \otimes \text{coker } T$;
 so $\ker T$ if T is surj.

pf for X, Y fin.-dim: claim: $\forall T \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$, \exists natural iso.

$$\det(T) \xrightarrow{\cong} \det(X \xrightarrow{c} Y) = \Lambda^{\max} X \otimes (\Lambda^{\max} Y)^*$$

$$\Lambda^{\max} \ker T \otimes \Lambda^{\max} (\text{coker } T)^*$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$0 \neq k = k_1 \wedge \dots \wedge k_p \quad 0 \neq c^* \text{ where}$$

$$(p = \dim \ker T) \quad c = c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge c_q \quad (c_i \in \text{coker } T)$$

$$c^* \in (\Lambda^{\max} \text{coker } T)^* \text{ s.t. } c^*(c) = 1.$$

$$\cong (k \otimes c^*) = (k \wedge v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_m) \otimes (c \wedge T v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T v_m)^*$$

for $v_1, \dots, v_m \in X$ any basis of a subspace complementary to $\ker T$.

This is indep. of choice of complements $V = \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq X$, (to $\ker T$)

$C = \text{span}\{c_1, \dots, c_q\} \subseteq Y$. (to $\text{im } T$)

Fix V, C , claim: indep. of $v_1, \dots, v_2 \in V$.

Write $v = v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_q$, $v' = v'_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v'_2 \neq 0 \in \Lambda^{\max} V$, then $v' = \lambda v$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, \Rightarrow

$$(k \wedge v') \otimes (c \wedge T v')^* = (k \wedge \lambda v) \otimes (c \wedge \lambda T v)^*$$

$$= \lambda (k \wedge v) \otimes (\lambda (c \wedge T v))^*$$

$$= \lambda \frac{1}{\lambda} (k \wedge v) \otimes (c \wedge T v)^* = \cong (k \otimes c^*).$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{by defn: } c^*(c) = 1, \\ \frac{1}{\lambda} c^*(\lambda c) = 1 \Rightarrow \\ (\lambda c)^* = \frac{1}{\lambda} c^*. \end{array} \right)$$

*basis of $\text{im } T \Rightarrow c \wedge T v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T v_m$
 is indep. of choice of
 an identification of
 $\text{coker } T$ w/
 a complement
 of $\text{im } T \subseteq Y$.*

pf in general: Given $T_0 \in \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$, write $X = \begin{cases} V \\ \oplus \\ K = \ker T_0 \end{cases} \xrightarrow[\cong]{T_0} \begin{cases} W = \text{im } T_0 \\ \oplus \\ C \cong \text{coker } T_0 \end{cases} = Y$

Write $T \in \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X, Y)$ as $\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ & assume

T close enough T_0 s.t. $A: V \rightarrow W$ is invertible.

Write $F(T) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -A^{-1}B \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{R}}(\underbrace{V \oplus K}_X)$, $G(T) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -CA^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{R}}(\underbrace{W \oplus C}_Y)$

$\Phi(T) := D - CA^{-1}B \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{R}}(K, C)$. $F(T), G(T)$ are invertible,

$T' := G(T)T F(T) = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \Phi(T) \end{pmatrix}: \underbrace{V \oplus K}_X \rightarrow \underbrace{W \oplus C}_Y$

i.e. $T' = A \oplus \Phi(T)$ where $A = \text{iso.}$, $\Phi(T): K \rightarrow C$.

\Rightarrow natural iso. $\ker T' = \ker \Phi(T) \subseteq \ker T_0$, $\text{im } T' = W \oplus \text{im } \Phi(T)$
 $\Rightarrow \text{coker } T' = \text{coker } \Phi(T)$.

EX: For any $T_i \in \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{R}}(X_i, Y_i)$ with $i=1, 2$, \exists canonical iso.

$$\det(T_1 \oplus T_2) = \det(T_1) \otimes \det(T_2).$$

For any T near T_0 , \exists natural isos.

\mathbb{R} since A is an iso.

$$\det(T) \xleftarrow[\cong]{F(T)^* \otimes G(T)^*} \det(T') = \det(A \oplus \Phi(T)) = \det(A) \otimes \det(\Phi(T))$$

$$\det(\Phi(T))$$

$$\det(T_0) = \Lambda^{\max} \ker T_0 \otimes \Lambda^{\max} \text{coker } T_0 = \det(K \rightarrow C)$$

\rightarrow local triv. for $\det(X, Y)|_{\text{nbhd}(T_0)}$.



prop: If X & Y are \mathbb{C} -vec. spaces, $\det(X, Y)|_{\text{Fred}_{\mathbb{C}}(X, Y)}$ has a canonical orientation which is the natural orientation of \mathbb{R} for all isos.

pf: Call $k \in \Lambda^{\max} \ker T$ complex if has form $k = k_1 \wedge i k_1 \wedge k_2 \wedge i k_2 \wedge \dots \wedge k_p \wedge i k_p$
 for k_1, \dots, k_p a cpx basis of $\ker T$.

Orient $\det(X, Y)|_{\text{Fred}_{\mathbb{C}}(X, Y)}$ s.t. \forall cpx elements $k \in \Lambda^{\max} \ker T$, $c \in \Lambda^{\max} \ker T$,

$k \otimes c^* \in \det(T)$ is positive.

For $T: X \rightarrow Y$ an iso, spec T is in domain of a local triv. of $\det(X, Y)$
 near $T_0: X \rightarrow Y$, T_0 is \mathbb{C} -linear but not an iso.

to show: if V, W are cpx vec. spaces & $A: V \xrightarrow{\cong} W$ \mathbb{C} -linear, then

$\bar{\Psi}_A: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \det(V \xrightarrow{\cong} W)$ is orient.-pres. (w.r.t. canonical orient. of \mathbb{R} & cpx orient. of $\det A$).

$$\Lambda^{\max} V \otimes (\Lambda^{\max} W)^*$$

$$\bar{\Psi}_A(1) = v \wedge (Av)^* \quad \text{for any } v \neq 0 \in \Lambda^{\max} V.$$

Choose v to be cpx, then Av is also cpx \Rightarrow

$\bar{\Psi}_A(1)$ represents the pos. orientation of $\det(V \xrightarrow{\cong} W)$. □

cor: On a closed Riem surf., \forall CR-type ops D , $\det(D)$ has a canonical orientation def'd by deformation to its \mathbb{C} -linear part.

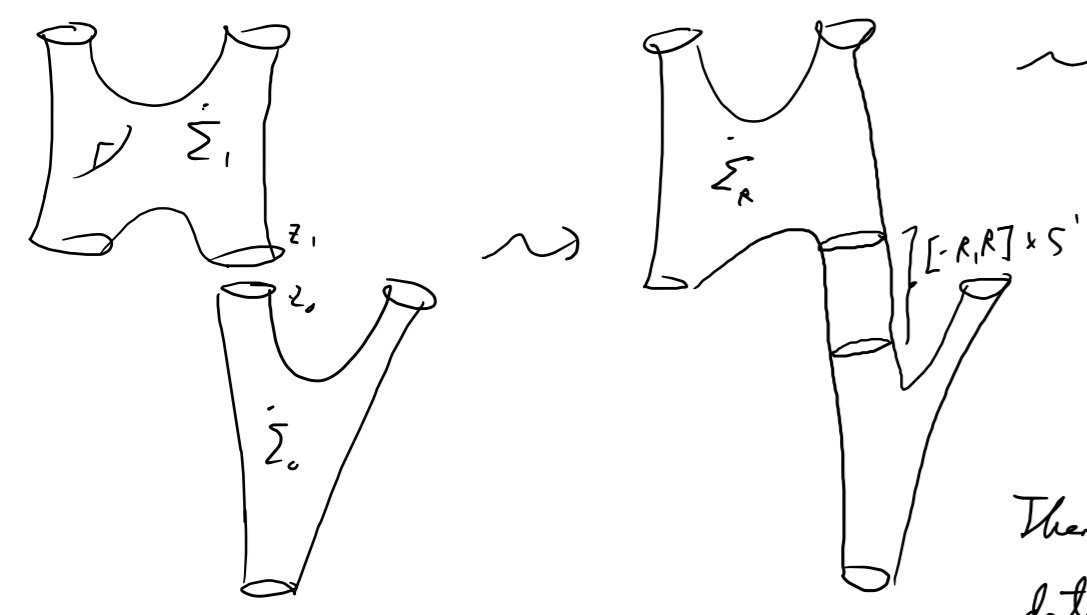
\rightarrow canonical orientation of $\mathcal{M}^{asy}(J)$ for closed curves

Bourgeois - Mohrke algorithm: Given an asymp. Heur. ver. bundl $(E, J) \rightarrow (\dot{\Sigma}, j)$ & asymp. ops $\{A_z\}_{z \in \Gamma}$ (assume all nondeg.)

$CR(E, \{A_z\}) := \{ \text{CR-type ops on } E \text{ asymp. to } A_z \text{ at each } z \in \Gamma \}$
 $=$ affine space of Fredholm ops.

trouble: Maybe no op. in $CR(E, \{A_z\})$ is \mathbb{C} -linear.

lemma: Spcs $E^i \rightarrow \dot{\Sigma}^i = \Sigma^i \setminus \Gamma_i$ ($i=0,1$) have pts. $z_0 \in \Gamma_0^+$, $z_1 \in \Gamma_1^-$ s.t. some unitary bundl iso. $E^1_{z_1} \rightarrow E^0_{z_0}$ identifies A_{z_1} w/ A_{z_0} .

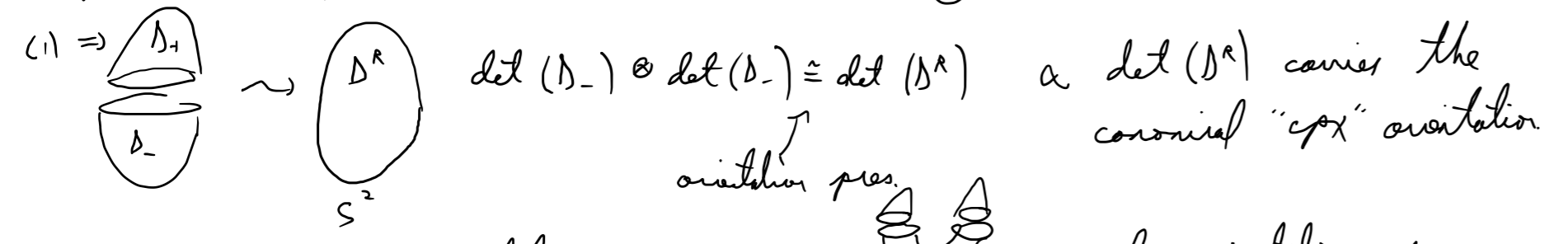


\rightarrow bundl $E^R \rightarrow \dot{\Sigma}^R$ for $R > 0$ def'd by gluing E^0 & E^1 along this iso. Can defn a glued CR-op. D^R on E^R up to htps.

Then for $R \gg 0$, \exists natural iso. $\det(D_0) \otimes \det(D_1) \rightarrow \det(D^R)$. \square

procedure: (1) Choose orientations arbitrarily for ops on trivial bundles over $\Delta = (S^2 \setminus \{os\}, i)$ w/ every possible asymp. op.

(2) Defn orientation for ops on trivial bundles over \cup s.t.



(3) On any $\dot{\Sigma}$, defn orientation s.t. capping respects orientation & produces the cpx orientation over a closed surface.

thm: Orientations of $\mathcal{M}^{\#}(J)$ def'd in this way are always coherent. \square