

Formal Legendrian and Horizontal embeddings.

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$$\text{Leg}(\mathbb{R}^3) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3)$$

$$\pi_k(\text{Leg}(\mathbb{R}^3)) \xrightarrow{i_*} \pi_k(\mathcal{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3))$$

$$[\gamma^0] \mapsto i_*[\gamma^0] \neq 0$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Hor}(\mathbb{R}^4) \xrightarrow{\text{whe}} \mathcal{F}\text{Hor}(\mathbb{R}^4) \\ \text{Casals and del Pino} \end{array} \right.$$

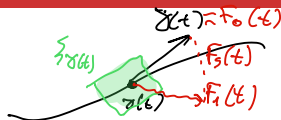
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Definition

A formal Legendrian embedding in \mathbb{R}^3 is a pair (γ, F_s) satisfying the following two conditions:

- (i) $\gamma : \mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is an embedding.
- (ii) $F_s : \mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \gamma^*(T\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\})$ is a 1-parametric family, $s \in [0, 1]$, such that $F_0 = \gamma'$ y $F_1(t) \in \xi_{\gamma(t)}$.

An auxiliary fibration.

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$$\{ \sim \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ logos} \sim S^1$$

Consider the space

$$\widehat{\mathfrak{FLeg}}(\mathbb{R}^3) = \{(\gamma, F_1) \mid \gamma \in \mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3), F_1 \in \mathcal{M}\mathfrak{aps}(S^1, S^1)\}.$$

We have a natural fibration $\widehat{\mathfrak{FLeg}}(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathfrak{FLeg}}(\mathbb{R}^3).$ $\xrightarrow{2} \mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3) \times S^1 \times \mathcal{A}$

The fiber over a point $(\gamma, \gamma') \in \widehat{\mathfrak{FLeg}}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ is

$$\mathcal{F}_{(\gamma, \gamma')} = \underbrace{\Omega_{\gamma'}(\mathcal{M}\mathfrak{aps}(S^1, S^2))}.$$

Exact sequence associated to the fibration.

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We have the following exact sequence of homotopy groups associated to the fibration:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & \dots & \longrightarrow & \pi_2(\mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3)) \\
 & & & & & \swarrow & \\
 \pi_2(S^2) \oplus \pi_3(S^2) & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(\mathfrak{Leg}(\mathbb{R}^3)) & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(\mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3)) \oplus \mathbb{Z} \\
 & & & & \nwarrow & & \\
 \pi_2(S^2) & \longrightarrow & \pi_0(\mathfrak{Leg}(\mathbb{R}^3)) & \longrightarrow & \pi_0(\mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3)) \oplus \mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

Classification Theorem for $\mathfrak{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3)$

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Theorem (Folklore)

Formal Legendrian embeddings are classified by their topological type as parametrized knots, their rotation number and the Thurston-Bennequin invariant.

$$\pi_0(\mathfrak{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3)) \cong \pi_0(\mathfrak{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3)) \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$$

Computation of the fundamental group.

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Theorem (Fundamental group of $\mathfrak{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3)$. FMP.)

The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{rot}} \oplus \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_m}_{\text{rot}} \longrightarrow \pi_1(\mathfrak{FLeg}(\mathbb{R}^3)) \longrightarrow \pi_1(\text{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^3)) \oplus \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{rot}} \rightarrow 0$$

is exact, where $m \geq 0$.

Theorem (Fundamental group of $\mathfrak{FHor}(\mathbb{R}^4)$. FMP.)

The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_2}_{\text{rot}} \longrightarrow \pi_1(\mathfrak{FHor}(\mathbb{R}^4)) \longrightarrow \pi_1(\text{Emb}(S^1, \mathbb{R}^4)) \oplus \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{rot}} \rightarrow 0$$

is exact.

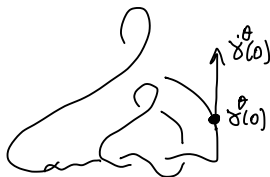
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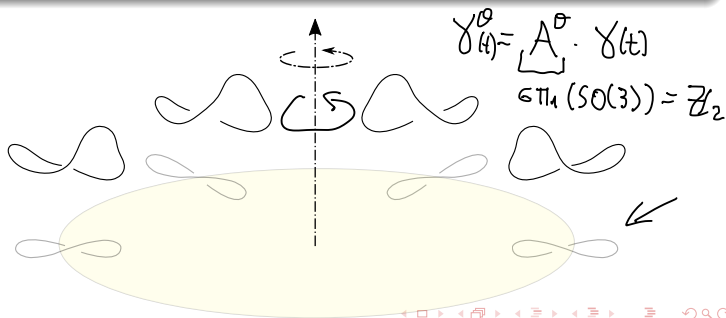
$$\text{rot}_{\pi_1}(\gamma^\theta) = \deg(\theta \mapsto \dot{\gamma}^\theta(0))$$

Application: New examples of rigid loops.

Theorem (FMP)

For every knot type K and any Legendrian representative \tilde{K} , there exist infinitely many loops of Legendrian embeddings based at \tilde{K} such that:

- they are smoothly trivial.*
- they are non trivial as loops of Legendrian embeddings.*



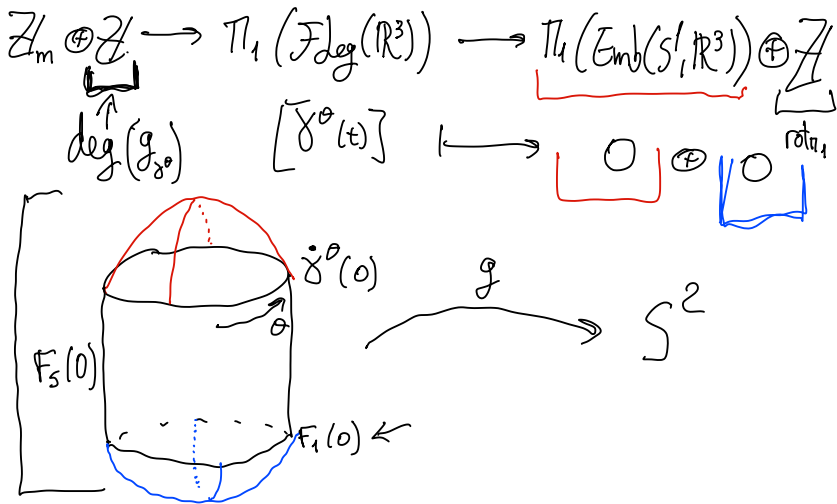
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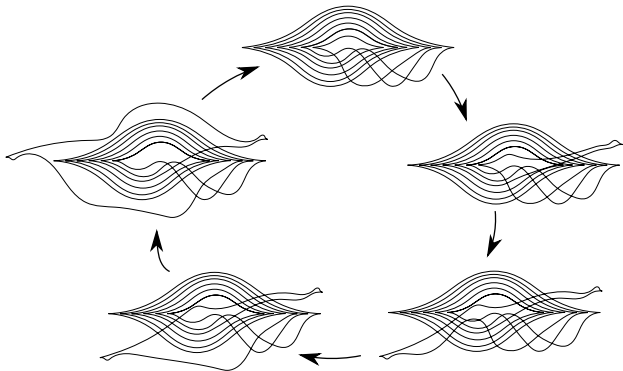
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Application: Non-triviality of previous examples in the literature.

T. Kálmán [1] provided infinitely many examples of loops of Legendrians which are smoothly trivial but non-trivial in the space of Legendrians.



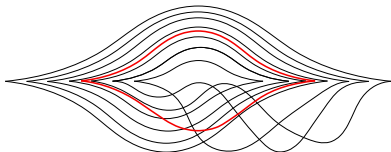
Scaling of the supporting knot

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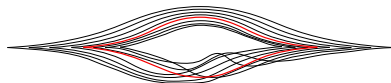
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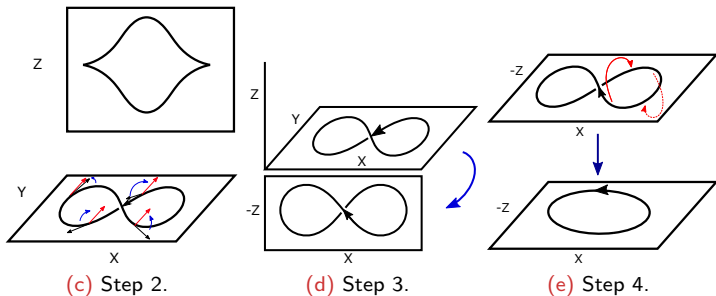


(a) Front projection of the knot and the core (in red).



(b) Knot C^1 —close to the core.

C^1 —approximation of the knot to the core, seen in the front projection.



Construction of the path of loops into a simplified position.

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