



The Atomic Condition in varifold theory

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$$\Phi_{\text{BH}}(M) = \mathcal{H}_\phi^k(M) \quad \text{for any } \mathcal{C}^1\text{-manifold } M \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$$

$$\Phi_{\text{HT}} = \text{symplectic measure}$$

Theorem (Almgren, Ann. of Math., 1968)

Let $k \geq 3$ be either a positive integer or ∞ . Suppose F is a \mathcal{C}^k integrand (real analytic integrand) which is *uniformly elliptic*, B is a boundary, \mathcal{U} is an open covering of \mathbf{R}^n .

If S is a surface which is F minimal with respect to B and \mathcal{U} , then S is \mathcal{C}^{k-1} regular almost everywhere (real analytic almost everywhere).

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Theorem (Morrey, Pacific J. Math., 1952)

The functional

$$I_f(u, D) = \int_D f(Du) \, d\mathcal{L}^k$$

is l.s.c. w.r.t. uniform convergence in $\text{Lip}_L(D, \mathbf{R}^{n-k})$ for all possible domains $D \subseteq \mathbf{R}^k$ iff. f is quasi-convex.

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and

$$F \in \text{AE}(\mathcal{P}_{\text{graph}}) \implies f \in \text{QC}$$

cf. e.g. De Rosa and Tione, Invent. Math. 2022

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F_0 is called *extendibly (uniformly/strictly) convex* if there exists a (uniformly / strictly convex) norm Ψ on $\Lambda_k \mathbf{R}^n$ such that

$$F_0 = \Psi|_{\mathbf{G}_0(n, k)}.$$

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$$F \in \text{AC} \quad \iff \quad \forall \mu \in \text{Prob}(\mathbf{G}(n, k)) \quad \dim \text{im} A_F(\mu) \geq k$$

and if $\dim \text{im} A_F(\mu) = k$, then μ is atomic

Theorem (De Philippis and De Rosa and Ghiraldin, CPAM 2018)

Let \mathcal{V} be the family of all k -dimensional varifolds in an open set $U \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ with positive lower density and total F -variation measure being Radon. Then $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathbf{RV}_k(U)$ iff. $F \in \text{AC}$.

In particular, all F -stationary k -varifold with positive density are rectifiable iff. $F \in \text{AC}$.

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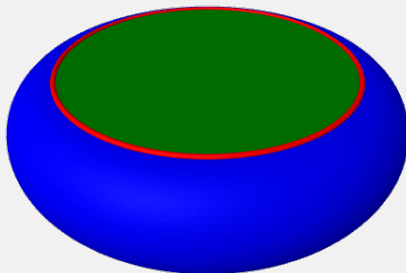
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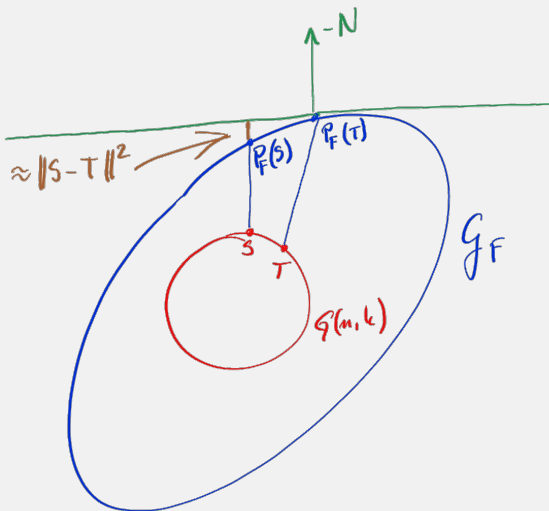
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Thank you.