



The projective analytic spectrum of the double of a module

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Abstract

In this work, we investigate the projectivized analytic spectrum of the double of a module. We prove that, away from the diagonal, each fiber is canonically isomorphic to the join of the corresponding fibers of the projectivized analytic spectrum of the original module. We then analyze the exceptional fiber over the origin in $C \times C$, where C is an irreducible curve contained in a hypersurface, and obtain a complete description of this fiber in the case of irreducible plane curves.

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1 Introduction

The concept of Lipschitz saturation of an ideal is introduced in [11], within the framework of bi-Lipschitz equisingularity. The investigation of bi-Lipschitz equisingularity began with the work of Zariski [26], followed by contributions from Pham and Teissier [24], and was subsequently advanced by Lipman [19], Mostowski [21, 22], Parusinski [23], Birbrair [2], among others.

The notion of the double of an ideal was introduced in [10], and later generalized to sheaves of modules in [4]. The purpose of the double is to capture infinitesimal conditions that may indicate whether a given family of complex analytic varieties is Lipschitz. In [4], the authors proved that a family of strongly bi-Lipschitz analytic varieties (in the sense of Ruas and Fernandes [8, 9]) necessarily satisfies the infinitesimal Lipschitz condition — a criterion involving the integral closure of the double of a Jacobian submodule. Further results concerning the double in the context of Lipschitz geometry can also be found in [3, 6, 7, 5].

The double of a submodule $M \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X^p$, denoted M_D is the submodule of $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$ generated by $(h \circ \pi_1, h \circ \pi_2)$, $h \in M$, where $\pi_1, \pi_2 : X \times X \rightarrow X$ are the projections.

In [4, Prop. 3.11], the authors stated the stalk of the double of a sheaf of modules $\mathcal{M}$ at (x, x') , $x \neq x'$, is the direct sum of the stalks of $\mathcal{M}$ at x and x' . Thus, the stalk of the double carries the same information as the stalks of $\mathcal{M}$ do at x and x' , as long as $x \neq x'$. If $\mathcal{M}$ is the jacobian

module of a family of analytic varieties, the stalks at x and x' determine the tangent hyperplanes at these two points. Since to control the Lipschitz behavior of the tangent hyperplanes to X , it is natural to look for a sheaf on $X \times X$ whose stalks determine the tangent hyperplanes at each pair of distinct points, it is natural to consider the double of the jacobian module. This naturally leads us to investigate the projective analytic spectrum of the double of the Jacobian module associated to X , where we will see that it provides the appropriate setting to understand how these pairs of tangent planes relate to one another.

In Section 1 we recall some definitions and basic results about the double of a module. In Section 2, we establish some general results about the projectivized analytic spectrum of the double of $\mathcal{M}$, reducing the complexity of computing its fibers at points off the diagonal to the fibers of the spectrum associated with other module induced by $\mathcal{M}$. We ultimately show that the desired fiber is the join of the two fibers of the spectrum of $\mathcal{M}$ at that pair of points, that is:

$$\mathrm{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M}))_{(x,x')} \cong \mathrm{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x * \mathrm{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'}.$$

Finally, in Section 3, we investigate more concretely the fibers of the Projan over the origin for curves defined on hypersurfaces. In the end, we give special attention to plane curves in Theorem 4.9.

2 Background on the double of a module

We recall some basic results about the double of a module developed in [4]. Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ be an analytic space. We denote $\mathcal{O}_X$ the holomorphic sheaf of rings over X .

Let $\mathcal{M}$ be an $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodule of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$. Consider the projection maps $\pi_1, \pi_2 : X \times X \rightarrow X$. We assume that $\mathcal{M}$ is finitely generated by global sections.

Definition 2.1. Let $h \in \mathcal{O}_X^p$. The double of h is defined as the element

$$h_D := (h \circ \pi_1, h \circ \pi_2) \in \mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}.$$

The double of $\mathcal{M}$ is denoted by $\mathcal{M}_D$, and is defined as the $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$ -submodule of $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$ generated by $\{h_D \mid h \in \mathcal{M}(X)\}$.

Consider $z_1, \dots, z_n$ the coordinates on $\mathbb{C}^n$. The next lemma is a useful tool to deal with the double. In [4] we see that it is possible to obtain a set of generators for $\mathcal{M}_D$ from a set of generators of $\mathcal{M}$.

Proposition 2.2 ([4], Proposition 3.4). Suppose that $\mathcal{M}$ is generated by $\{h_1, \dots, h_r\}$. Then, the following sets are generators of $\mathcal{M}_D$:

1. $\mathcal{B} = \{(h_1)_D, \dots, (h_r)_D\} \cup \{(0_{\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^p}, (z_i \circ \pi_1 - z_i \circ \pi_2)(h_j \circ \pi_2)) \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } j \in \{1, \dots, r\}\}.$
2. $\mathcal{B}' = \{(h_1)_D, \dots, (h_r)_D\} \cup \{((z_i \circ \pi_1 - z_i \circ \pi_2)(h_j \circ \pi_1), 0_{\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^p}) \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } j \in \{1, \dots, r\}\}.$
3. $\mathcal{B}'' = \{(h_1)_D, \dots, (h_r)_D\} \cup \{(z_i h_j)_D \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } j \in \{1, \dots, r\}\}.$

The next theorem computes the generic rank of the double of a module.

Proposition 2.3 ([4], Proposition 3.5). Let (X, x) be an irreducible analytic complex germ of dimension $d \geq 1$, and $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{X,x}^p$ a submodule of generic rank k . Then $\mathcal{M}_D$ has generic rank $2k$ at (x, x) .

The next proposition states that the double of a sheaf of modules $\mathcal{M}$ carries all the information at (x, x') as the stalks of $\mathcal{M}$ do at x and x' , as long $x \neq x'$.

Proposition 2.4 ([4], Proposition 3.11). *Let $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X^p$ be a sheaf of submodules. Consider $(x, x') \in X \times X$ with $x \neq x'$. Then:*

$$\mathcal{M}_D = (\mathcal{M}_x \circ \pi_1) \oplus (\mathcal{M}_{x'} \circ \pi_2)$$

at (x, x') .

Proposition 2.4 provides additional motivation for the idea of the double: In order to control the Lipschitz behavior of pairs of tangent planes at two different points x and x' of a family $\mathcal{X}$, it is helpful to have each module which determines the tangent hyperplanes at each point as part of the construction. Furthermore, this proposition shows that $J\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})_D$ at (x, x') contains both $J\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})_x$ and $J\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})_{x'}$, where $J\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is the jacobian sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules of $\mathcal{X}$.

Now we recall the notion of the singular set of a sheaf of modules $\mathcal{M}$.

Let $\mathcal{M}$ be a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$ generated by global sections $\{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$. The matrix $[\mathcal{M}]$ is the $p \times r$ matrix whose columns are the generators of $\mathcal{M}$. For each $x \in X$, $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ is the $p \times r$ matrix obtained by applying each entry of $[\mathcal{M}]$ at x . We denote $\text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ the row space of the matrix $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$. Suppose the generic rank of $\mathcal{M}$ is k . The singular set of $\mathcal{M}$ is defined as the set

$$\Sigma(\mathcal{M}) := \{x \in X \mid \text{rank}[\mathcal{M}(x)] < k\}.$$

The next proposition computes $\Sigma(\mathcal{M}_D)$ in $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$.

Proposition 2.5 ([4], Proposition 3.7). *Let $\mathcal{M}$ be a sheaf of submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$ of generic rank k . Then*

$$\Sigma(\mathcal{M}_D) = \Delta(X) \cup (X \times \Sigma(\mathcal{M})) \cup (\Sigma(\mathcal{M}) \times X),$$

where $\Delta(X)$ denotes the diagonal of X on $X \times X$.

We end this section recalling the notion of the analytic projectivization of the Rees algebra of a module. Denote $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M})$ as the Rees algebra of $\mathcal{M}$. Consider the set

$$\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}) := \{(x, [\ell]) \in X \times \mathbb{P}^{r-1} \mid [\mathcal{M}(x)] \text{ has maximal rank and } \ell \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)]\}.$$

Definition 2.6. *The projective analytic spectrum of $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M})$ is defined as*

$$\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M})) := \overline{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M})},$$

where the closure is taken on $X \times \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$.

The main motivation for this definition is the particular case that $\mathcal{M} = J\mathcal{M}(X)$, the jacobian module of X generated by $\left\{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_n}\right\}$, where X is defined by an analytic map $F : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$. In this setting, suppose $(x, [\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n]) \in \mathcal{U}(J\mathcal{M}(X))$. So the jacobian matrix of F has maximal rank at x , hence x is a smooth point of X . Since the row space of the jacobian matrix at x is $TX_x^\perp$ then $TX_x \subseteq H_{[\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n]}$, where $H_{[\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n]}$ is the canonical hyperplane induced by $(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n)$. So we can see $\mathcal{U}(J\mathcal{M}(X))$ as a set of pairs (x, H) where x is a smooth point of X and H is a tangent hyperplane. Hence, the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))$ over the origin captures limiting tangent hyperplanes of X .

To bridge this geometric construction with classical algebraic geometry, recall that for a finitely generated graded algebra R over a ring A , the classical projective spectrum, $\text{Proj}(R)$, parameterizes the homogeneous prime ideals of R not containing the irrelevant ideal. In our analytic setting, the Rees algebra $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M})$ carries a natural grading, and its analytic projective spectrum geometrically realizes this structure. Specifically, the set $\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M})$ functions as the dense, open Zariski-local chart of this analytic Proj . By looking at points where the module matrix $\mathcal{M}(x)$ attains maximal rank, $\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M})$ explicitly parameterizes the one-dimensional quotients of the fibers of $\mathcal{M}$, mirroring how the classical $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))$ parameterizes the lines in the projectivization of the module's fibers over the regular locus.

3 General results about the Projan of the Rees Algebra of the double

Let $\mathcal{M}$ be a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$ generated by global sections $\{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$. Consider the projections $\pi_1, \pi_2 : X \times X \rightarrow X$.

For each $x \in X$ we denote $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x$ the fiber of x with respect to the canonical projection $\pi_{\mathcal{M}} : \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M})) \rightarrow X$.

We denote $2\mathcal{M} := \pi_1^*(\mathcal{M}) \oplus \pi_2^*(\mathcal{M})$ which is an $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$ -submodule of $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$. So $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) \subseteq X \times X \times \mathbb{P}^{2r-1}$ and Proposition 2.4 tell us that $(2\mathcal{M})_{(x,x')} = (\mathcal{M}_D)_{(x,x')}$ provided the point (x, x') is off the diagonal.

We have a simpler description of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))$ and $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M}))$.

Proposition 3.1. *Suppose $\mathcal{M}$ is a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$. Then*

$$\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D)) = \overline{\left\{ (x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) \mid \begin{array}{l} x \neq x' \in X, [\mathcal{M}(x)] \text{ and } [\mathcal{M}(x')] \text{ have maximal} \\ \text{rank, } u \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)] \text{ and } u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')] \end{array} \right\}}$$

and

$$\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) = \overline{\left\{ (x, x', [u, u']) \mid [\mathcal{M}(x)] \text{ and } [\mathcal{M}(x')] \text{ have maximal} \right. \\ \left. \text{rank, } u \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)] \text{ and } u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')] \right\}}.$$

Proof. Let us prove the first equality. By Proposition 3.3 of [4], we can write a matrix of generators of $\mathcal{M}_D$ induced by $\{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$ of the form

$$[\mathcal{M}_D] = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ w_p & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ w'_1 & (z_1 - z'_1)w'_1 & \dots & (z_n - z'_n)w'_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ w'_p & (z_1 - z'_1)w'_p & \dots & (z_n - z'_n)w'_p \end{bmatrix}$$

where $w_1, \dots, w_p$ are the rows of $[\mathcal{M}]$. Let us call H the set under the bar of the equality on the statement. It suffices to prove that $H = \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}_D)$. Let $(x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) \in H$. Since $x \neq x'$ and $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(x')]$ have maximal rank then Proposition 2.5 implies that

$(x, x') \notin \Sigma(\mathcal{M}_D)$, so $[\mathcal{M}_D(x, x')]$ has maximal rank. By hypothesis we can write $u = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i w_i(x)$

and $u' = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha'_i w_i(x')$, for some $\alpha_i, \alpha'_i \in \mathbb{C}$. Thus $(x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u'])$ can be written as

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i (w_i(x), 0, \dots, 0) + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha'_i (w_i(x'), (x_1 - x'_1)w_i(x'), \dots, (x_n - x'_n)w_i(x'))$$

which is a linear combination of the rows of $[\mathcal{M}_D(x, x')]$. Hence $H \subseteq \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}_D)$.

Conversely, let $(x, x', [\ell_1, \dots, \ell_r, (\ell_{ij})]) \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}_D)$. So $[\mathcal{M}_D(x, x')]$ has maximal rank then $(x, x') \notin \Sigma(\mathcal{M}_D) = \Delta(X) \cup (X \times \Sigma(\mathcal{M})) \cup (\Sigma(\mathcal{M}) \times X)$. Thus $x \neq x'$, and also $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(x')]$ have maximal rank. Since $(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_r, (\ell_{ij}))$ belongs to the rowspace of $[\mathcal{M}_D(x, x')]$ then it can be written as

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i (w_i(x), 0, \dots, 0) + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha'_i (w_i(x'), (x_1 - x'_1)w_i(x'), \dots, (x_n - x'_n)w_i(x'))$$

for some $\alpha_i, \alpha'_i \in \mathbb{C}$. Taking $u := \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i w_i(x)$ and $u' := \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha'_i w_i(x')$ one has

$$(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_r, (\ell_{ij})) = (u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u')$$

with $u \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')]$.

The second equality can be proved in an analogous way. $\square$

Remark 3.2. Let $x, x' \in X, x \neq x'$. Suppose that $u, v \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $u', v' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')]$ generate the same element

$$[u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u'] = [v + v', (x_1 - x'_1)v', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)v']$$

in the fiber $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')}$, then $[u, u'] = [v, v']$ as elements of $\mathbb{P}^{2r-1}$. Indeed, there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ such that $u + u' = \lambda(v + v')$ and $(x_i - x'_i)u' = \lambda(x_i - x'_i)v', \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Since $x_i \neq x'_i$ for some i , then $u' = \lambda v'$. Hence, $u = \lambda v$.

As a corollary we have an important particular case.

Corollary 3.3. If $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ is an analytic variety defined by $F : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ then

$$\text{Projan}(\mathcal{J}\mathcal{M}(X)_D) = \overline{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) \mid \\ x \neq x' \text{ are smooth points of } X, TX_x \subseteq H_u \\ \text{and } TX_{x'} \subseteq H_{u'} \end{array} \right\}}.$$

Notice that the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{J}\mathcal{M}(X)_D)$ over the origin captures limiting tangent hyperplanes of X at two different points as these points come together to the origin, taking into account the secant lines defined by these points as they tend to the origin.

We want to describe $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')}$ in terms of the sheaf $2\mathcal{M}$. The next lemmas will be useful to do it.

Lemma 3.4. Let $x, x' \in X, x \neq x'$. Suppose $x_i \neq x'_i$ for some $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Let $(x, x', [v, w_1, \dots, w_n]) \in \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')}$.

Then:

a) $(x, x', [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i]) \in \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')}$;

b) If $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ then $w_j = \frac{x_j - x'_j}{x_i - x'_i} w_i$;

c) If $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ is such that $x_j \neq x'_j$ then

$$[(x_j - x'_j)v - w_j, w_j] = [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i].$$

Proof. By Proposition 3.1 we can write

$$(x, x', [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i]) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \Phi(t)$$

where

$\Phi(t) = (\varphi(t), \varphi'(t), [\gamma'(t) + \gamma''(t), (\varphi_1(t) - \varphi'_1(t))\gamma'(t), \dots, (\varphi_n(t) - \varphi'_n(t))\gamma'(t)])$ and for all t close to 0:

- $\varphi(t) \neq \varphi'(t)$;
- $[\mathcal{M}(\varphi(t))]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(\varphi'(t))]$ have maximal rank;

- $\gamma(t) \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(\varphi(t))]$ and $\gamma'(t) \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(\varphi'(t))]$.

Further:

- $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varphi(t) = x$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varphi'(t) = x'$;
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\gamma(t) + \gamma'(t)) = v$;
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\varphi_\ell(t) - \varphi'_\ell(t))\gamma'(t) = w_\ell, \forall \ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. (★)

Since $x_i \neq x'_i$ then $\varphi_i(t) - \varphi'_i(t) \neq 0$ for all t sufficiently closed to 0.

(a) Define

$$\beta(t) := (\varphi(t), \varphi'(t), [(\varphi_i(t) - \varphi'_i(t))(\gamma(t) + \gamma'(t)) - (\varphi_i(t) - \varphi'_i(t))\gamma'(t), (\varphi_i(t) - \varphi'_i(t))\gamma'(t)]).$$

Clearly

$$(x, x', [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i]) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \beta(t).$$

In the other hand, $\beta(t) = (\varphi(t), \varphi'(t), [\gamma(t), \gamma'(t)]) \in \mathcal{U}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M})$, for all t close to 0. Hence, $(x, x', [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i]) \in \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')}$.

(b) It is a consequence of the equation (★).

(c) It follows immediately from (b). □

Lemma 3.5. *Let $x, x' \in X$ and suppose $x \neq x'$. If $(x, x', [u, u']) \in \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')}$ then*

$$(x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) \in \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')}.$$

Proof. By Proposition 3.1 we can write

$$(x, x', [u, u']) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \Phi(t)$$

where $\Phi(t) = (\varphi(t), \varphi'(t), [\gamma(t), \gamma'(t)])$ and for all t close to 0:

- $[\mathcal{M}(\varphi(t))]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(\varphi'(t))]$ have maximal rank;
- $\gamma(t) \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(\varphi(t))]$ and $\gamma'(t) \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(\varphi'(t))]$.

Further:

- $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varphi(t) = x$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varphi'(t) = x'$;
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma(t) = u$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma'(t) = u'$.

Consider the curve

$$\beta(t) := (\gamma(t) + \gamma'(t), [(\varphi_1(t) - \varphi'_1(t))\gamma'(t), \dots, (\varphi_n(t) - \varphi'_n(t))\gamma'(t)]).$$

Clearly

$$(x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \beta(t)$$

and Proposition 3.1 implies that $\beta(t) \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}_D)$, for all t close to 0. □

In order to describe the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))$ at a point (x, x') off the diagonal in terms of the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))$ at this point, and the fibers of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))$ at these two points, we use the *join* of two topological spaces.

Given A, B topological spaces, we use the classical notation $A * B$ to denote the join of these topological spaces, which is, intuitively, the set of lines connecting points of A to B . Each element of $A * B$ can be written as a formal linear combination $s\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$, where $\mathbf{a} \in A, \mathbf{b} \in B$, and s, t belong to the real closed interval $[0, 1]$ and $s + t = 1$.

Consider the diagram of canonical inclusions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & & B \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & A * B & \end{array}$$

The join $A * B$ is the homotopy pushout (equivalently, the homotopy colimit) of the diagram of canonical projections $A \leftarrow A * B \rightarrow B$; see [1].

Theorem 3.6. *Let $\mathcal{M}$ be a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$. Suppose $x, x' \in X, x \neq x'$. Then:*

- a) $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')} \cong \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')}$;
- b) $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')}$ and $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x * \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'}$ are homeomorphic.

Proof. (a) Since $x \neq x'$ then $x_i \neq x'_i$, for some i . By Lemma 3.5, the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma : \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} & \longrightarrow & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')} \\ (x, x', [u, u']) & \longmapsto & (x, x', [u + u', (x_1 - x'_1)u', \dots, (x_n - x'_n)u']) \end{array}$$

is well defined and Lemma 3.4 ensures the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda : \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D))_{(x, x')} & \longrightarrow & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} \\ (x, x', [v, w_1, \dots, w_n]) & \longmapsto & (x, x', [(x_i - x'_i)v - w_i, w_i]) \end{array}$$

is well defined and it does not depend on i such that $x_i \neq x'_i$. It is easy to verify that $\Lambda \circ \Gamma = \text{id}$ and one can use Lemma 3.4(b) to conclude that $\Gamma \circ \Lambda = \text{id}$.

(b) Consider the inclusions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} i_x : \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x & \rightarrow & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} \\ (x, [u]) & \mapsto & (x, x', [u, 0]) \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} i_{x'} : \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'} & \rightarrow & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} \\ (x', [u']) & \mapsto & (x, x', [0, u']) \end{array}$$

Then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x & & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'} \\ & \searrow i_x \quad \swarrow i_{x'} & \\ & \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} & \end{array}$$

is a homotopy colimit of the diagram of canonical projections.

$$\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x \leftarrow \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x \times \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'} \rightarrow \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'}$$

Therefore, $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{2}\mathcal{M}))_{(x, x')} \cong \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_x * \text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}))_{x'}$. □

Suppose $\mathcal{M}$ is a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodules of $\mathcal{O}_X^p$ generated by global sections $g = \{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$. We define the *reduced double* of $\mathcal{M}$ with respect to g as the sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$ -submodules $\mathcal{M}_{D-}$ of $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$ generated by $\{(g_1)_D, \dots, (g_r)_D\}$.

In this way, we define $\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}} := \mathcal{M}_{D-} + (0 \oplus \pi_2^*(\mathcal{M})) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{X \times X}^{2p}$, which is called the *extended double* of $\mathcal{M}$ with respect to g . Clearly,

$$\mathcal{M}_{D-} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_D \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}} \subseteq 2\mathcal{M}.$$

Proposition 3.7. *Proj $\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M}))$ is naturally isomorphic to Proj $\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}))$, i.e, there exists an isomorphism $\text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) \rightarrow \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}))$ such that the following diagram is commutative:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})) \\ \pi_{2\mathcal{M}} \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}} \\ X \times X & \xrightarrow{id} & X \times X \end{array}$$

Proof. Let $w_1, \dots, w_p$ be the rows of $[\mathcal{M}]$. Then we can write

$$[\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}] = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & | & 0 \\ \vdots & | & \vdots \\ w_p & | & 0 \\ w'_1 & | & w'_1 \\ \vdots & | & \vdots \\ w'_p & | & w'_p \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } [2\mathcal{M}] = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & | & 0 \\ \vdots & | & \vdots \\ w_p & | & 0 \\ 0 & | & w'_1 \\ \vdots & | & \vdots \\ 0 & | & w'_p \end{bmatrix}.$$

Notice that if $(x, x', [u, u']) \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})$ then $[\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}(x, x')]$ has maximal rank and $(u, u') \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}(x, x')]$. Thus, $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(x')]$ have maximal rank. It is easy to conclude that $u - u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')]$. Hence, taking limits, the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda : \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})) & \rightarrow & \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) \\ (x, x', [u, u']) & \mapsto & (x, x', [u - u', u']) \end{array}$$

is well defined. Analogously, the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma : \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M})) & \rightarrow & \text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})) \\ (x, x', [u, u']) & \mapsto & (x, x', [u + u', u']) \end{array}$$

is well defined. Hence $\Lambda \circ \Gamma = \text{id}$, $\Gamma \circ \Lambda = \text{id}$ and $\pi_{\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}} \circ \Gamma = \pi_{2\mathcal{M}}$. $\square$

If we consider the sheaf of ideals $\mathcal{F}$ on $\text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}))$ generated by

$$\{T_1, \dots, T_r\} \cup \{(z_i - z'_i)T'_j \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } j \in \{1, \dots, r\}\},$$

where $T_1, \dots, T_r, T'_1, \dots, T'_r$ are the homogeneous coordinates on $\mathbb{P}^{2r-1}$, then we can consider the blowup $B_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Proj}\text{an}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})))$. As one can see in [17], the inclusion of graded $\mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$ -algebras $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})$ induces a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}))) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{\mathcal{F}}} & \text{Projan}\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Projan}\mathcal{R}(2\mathcal{M}) \\
 \downarrow \mathbf{p} & \swarrow & \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}} & \nearrow \pi_{2\mathcal{M}} & \\
 \text{Projan}\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{\mathcal{M}_D}} & X \times X & &
 \end{array}$$

Remark 3.8. Notice that $\pi_{\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}}(V(\mathcal{F})) \subseteq \Delta(X)$. In fact, if $(x, x', [u, u']) \in V(\mathcal{F})$, then $T_j(u) = 0$ and $(x_i - x'_i)T'_j(u') = 0, \forall i, j$. So $u = 0$ and necessarily $u' \neq 0$, thus $T'_j(u') \neq 0$, for some j . Hence, $x_i - x'_i = 0$, for every i and $x = x'$. In particular, $\mathbf{p}$ takes the exceptional divisor of $B_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})))$ in the exceptional fiber of $\text{Projan}\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_D)$.

An element of $V(T_1, \dots, T_r) \subseteq \text{Projan}\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}})$ can be written on the form $(x, x', [0, u'])$. If we assume that $[\mathcal{M}(x)]$ and $[\mathcal{M}(x')]$ have maximal rank and $(0, u') \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}_{\widehat{D}}(x, x')]$ then $u' \in \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x)] \cap \text{row}[\mathcal{M}(x')]$. In the case where $\mathcal{M} = JM(X)$, the element $(x, x', [0, u'])$ satisfies $TX_x \subseteq H_{u'}$ and $TX_{x'} \subseteq H_{u'}$, i.e, $H_{u'}$ is a common tangent hyperplane to x and x' .

4 The fiber of the Projan over the origin for curves in hypersurfaces

Our approach is to work on irreducible curves C in a hypersurface X and calculate the fiber over the origin in $C \times C$ of the restriction of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}((JM(X))_D))$ to $C \times C$.

The computation is completed for X an irreducible plane curve.

Given an irreducible curve C on X , it has a normalization $\eta : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow C$. If $\Phi : (\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$ is any map then $\Phi = \eta \circ \varphi$ for some $\varphi : (\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$. If C is irreducible then η is 1-1 and an embedding except at 0. So the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}((JM(X))_D))$ over $(0, 0)$ on $C \times C$ is isomorphic to the fiber over $(0, 0)$ of the pullback to $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$.

Lemma 4.1. Suppose $\Phi : (\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow C \times C$ and $\Phi = (\Phi_1, \Phi_2)$. Then $\Phi = (\eta \circ \varphi_1, \eta \circ \varphi_2)$ for some $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : (\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$.

Proof. It is obvious once each Φ_i factors through η . □

Now $JM(X)_D$ has 2 natural submodules: $JM(X)_{D-}$ which is the submodule generated by the doubles of the partial derivatives of F , where $X = F^{-1}(0)$, and $JI_{\Delta} := 0 \oplus I_{\Delta}JM(X)$, where I_{Δ} is the defining ideal of the diagonal of X .

The fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(JI_{\Delta}))$ over the origin consists of pairs (H, ℓ) where H is a limiting tangent hyperplane and ℓ is a limiting secant line realized using a curve on which H is the limiting tangent hyperplane and any other curve. We describe the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(JM(X)_{D-}))$ in the case where X is a hypersurface. We need the notion of the second intrinsic derivative of X to do this.

Suppose $X = F^{-1}(0)$, $x \in X$ a smooth point of X ; then the second intrinsic derivative of F is the map

$$\hat{D}_2F_x : k_x \rightarrow C_x$$

where $k_x := \ker(DF_x)$, $C_x := \text{coker}(DF_x)$ and $\hat{D}_2F_x$ is defined by restricting D_2F to k_x and projecting to C_x . We can also view $\hat{D}_2F_x$ as a map from k_x to $\mathbb{C}^n$ but then it is only defined up to multiples of $\nabla F(x)$.

Theorem 4.2. Suppose $C \subset X$ is an irreducible curve in a hypersurface X . Then the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}((JM(X)_{D-})|_{C \times C}))$ over the origin contains $\mathbb{P}(\text{Span}(H, L))$, where H is the limiting conormal of X along C and L is the limit of $\hat{D}_2f_x|_{TC_x}$.

Proof. We calculate limits of the form

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t^\ell} \left(\psi \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_1 \\ Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

where the order in t of $\psi \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_1 \\ Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is ℓ . Notice that $Df \circ \eta(t)$ has the form

$$\tau t^k + \mu t^{k+r} + \dots \quad (\star)$$

where $\tau \in \mathbb{C}^n$ is the limiting conormal vector. We can choose φ so that $Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi(t)$ has the form $(\star)$ with $\mu \nparallel \tau$, using $\eta \circ \varphi$ instead of η if necessary. Let $\varphi_1(t) = t$ and $\varphi_2(t) = ct + \dots$, c not an r -th root of 1. Now, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t^k} \left((1, 0) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_1 \\ Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \tau$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t^{k+r}} \left(-\frac{\varphi_2^k(t)}{t^k} (Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_1) + Df \circ \eta \circ \varphi_2 \right) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t^{k+r}} \left(-\frac{\varphi_2^k}{t^k} \tau t^k - \frac{\varphi_2^k}{t^k} \mu t^{k+r} + \varphi_2^k \tau + \varphi_2^{k+r} \mu + \dots \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\varphi_2^{k+r} - \varphi_2^k t^r)}{t^{k+r}} \mu \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} c^k (c^r - 1) \mu \parallel \mu. \end{aligned}$$

Now we describe μ . If we work at $\eta(t)$, we have

$$\star\star := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{Df \circ \eta(t+h) - Df \circ \eta(t)}{h} = D_2 f(\eta(t)) \cdot \eta'(t).$$

Since $C \subset X$, $\eta' \in \ker Df(\eta(t))$, hence this is a value of the second intrinsic derivative of $\eta(t)$. Now we calculate the limit using the normal form

$$\star\star = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (t+h)^k \tau - t^k \tau + (t+h)^{k+r} \mu - t^{k+r} \mu + \dots = k\tau t^{k-1} + (k+r)t^{k+r-1} \mu + \dots$$

Since $t \neq 0$, subtract $\frac{k}{t} Df(\eta(t))$ which is a multiple of $Df(\eta(t))$. This gives $((k+r) - k)t^{k+r-1} \mu + \dots$. Now we projectivize and take the limit as $t \rightarrow 0$, and get $r\mu$. $\square$

Corollary 4.3. *If X is a plane curve so that $C = X$ then $\mathbb{P}(\text{span}(\tau, \mu))$ is the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_{D-}))$ over $(0, 0)$.*

Proof. The fiber over $(0, 0)$ in this case lies in $(0, 0) \times \mathbb{P}^1$. $\square$

Remark 4.4. *Note that if $C \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$, $n > 2$ and v independent of τ and μ then the fiber is $\mathbb{P}(\text{span}(\tau, \mu, v))$, provided $r \neq 1$, which has dimension 2, the maximum possible. v is the limit of the 2^{nd} intrinsic derivative of Df (i.e. the intrinsic derivative of the intrinsic derivative).*

Example 4.5. *Consider $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^3 + z^4$ and $\varphi(t) = (i\sqrt{8}t^6, -2t^4, 2t^3)$. Then, $Df \circ \varphi(t) = (2\sqrt{8}i, 0, 0)t^6 + (0, 12, 0)t^8 + (0, 0, 32)t^9$ and*

$$\tau = (1, 0, 0), \mu = (0, 1, 0), v = (0, 0, 1).$$

There is an important case where we can describe the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_D |_{C \times C}))$. If $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$, 0 is a hypersurface, $X = F^{-1}(0)$ then the Gauss map G of X

$$G : X \setminus \text{Sing}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$$

is defined by $G(x) = [DF(x)]$.

Theorem 4.6. *Suppose F defines a hypersurface X , C an irreducible curve on X with multiplicity 2 at the origin, which is not a line, and $G|_{C-\{0\}}$ extends to an embedding on C . Then the fiber over $(0,0)$ of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(F)_D|_{C \times C}))$ is $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(F)_{D-}))_{(0,0)}$.*

Proof. As before we can assume $\Phi = (\eta \circ \varphi_1, \eta \circ \varphi_2)$, with η the normalization of C .

Base case: Assume $\varphi_1 = \text{id}$ and $\varphi_2 = ct + \dots$, $c \neq 1$.

We may suppose $\deg \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_1}$ along C is minimal among $\left\{ \deg \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_i} \right\}$.

So

$$\begin{bmatrix} DF(\eta(t)) \\ DF(\eta(\varphi_2(t))) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_1}(\eta(t))((1, D) + (0, tE) + \dots) \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_1}(\eta(\varphi_2'(t)))((1, D) + (0, \varphi_2(t)E) + \dots) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Notice that $G(\eta(t)) = \langle (1, D) + (0, tE) + \dots \rangle$. The condition that the Gauss map is a local embedding means that $E \neq 0$. Now $\xi = \frac{F_{z_1} \circ \eta(\varphi_2(t))}{F_{z_1} \circ \eta(t)}$ is a unit, apply $(-\xi, 1)$ to the matrix of generators of $J(F)_D$: we get

$$F_{z_1} \circ \eta \circ \varphi_2 \left[0, ((c-1)t + \dots)E + \dots, \dots, \eta_j(t) - \eta_j(\varphi_2(t)), \dots \right].$$

Since C is not a line, the terms $\eta_j(t) - \eta_j(\varphi_2(t))$ must have degree at least 2. Thus taking the limit as $t \rightarrow 0$ and projectivizing, we get $\langle (0, E, 0) \rangle$. Thus in the base case the limits are elements of $\mathbb{P}(\text{span}\{(1, D, 0), (0, E, 0)\})$.

In the general case the second row tends to $(1, D, 0)$ no matter what φ_2 is, so there needs the cancellation using the first row; but as in the base case, the order of the coefficients of the E term is less than the degree of the terms $\eta_i \circ \varphi_1 - \eta_i \circ \varphi_2$. $\square$

Remark 4.7. *The case where the Gauss map is an embedding is equivalent to the number r in Theorem 4.2 being 1, in which case $c = 1$ is the only root of unity. This explains why the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_{D-}))$ only has dimension 1 instead of 2.*

Now we specialize to the case where C is an irreducible plane curve. We assume $\eta(t) = (t^n, t^{B_1} + \dots + a_{B_2}t^{B_2} + \dots)$, where B_1 not a multiple of n , B_2 is not in the ideal generated by $\{n, B_1\}$, the terms of η_2 between t^{B_1} and $a_{B_2}t^{B_2}$ have degree which are multiples of B_1 . We call this the *standard normalization*.

For this part, it is helpful to have Teissier's notes in complex curves singularities [25], p. 19-20 handy. We refine our previous normal form in a useful way.

Proposition 4.8. *Given an irreducible plane curve C defined by $f(x, y) = 0$, if η is the standard normalization and $\Phi = (\eta, \eta \circ \varphi)$ then $\Phi^*(J(C)_D)$ has a matrix of generators of form*

$$\begin{bmatrix} -f_y \circ \eta \frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}} & f_y \circ \eta & 0 \\ -f_y \circ \eta(\varphi(t)) \left(\frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}} \circ \varphi \right) & f_y \circ \eta(\varphi(t)) & f_y \circ \eta(\varphi(t))(\eta_1(t) - \eta_1(\varphi(t)), \eta_2(t) - \eta_2(\varphi(t))) \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof. We have that $f(\eta(t)) \equiv 0$ so $Df(\eta(t)) \cdot \eta'(t) = 0$. Notice that $\frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}}$ is analytic, then

$f_x \circ \eta(t) = -f_y \circ \eta(t) \frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}}$. Now the result follows from Proposition 2.3 of [4]. $\square$

The lowest degree term in the above matrix is $f_y \circ \eta(t)$. Shortly we will use the row 1 to cancel the corresponding term in row 2. Projectivizing we need to understand

$$\left\langle \frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}} - \frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}} \circ \varphi(t), 0, (\eta_1(t) - \eta_1(\varphi(t)), \eta_2(t) - \eta_2(\varphi(t))) \right\rangle.$$

The first term measures the difference in slopes of the tangent lines at $\eta(t)$ and $\eta(\varphi(t))$ while the remaining terms are the coordinates of the corresponding secant line.

Since the dimension of $C \times C$ is 2 and the generic rank of $J(f)_D$ is 2, the dimension of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_D))$ is 3; we expect the fiber over $(0, 0)$ to have dimension 2. The fiber over $(0, 0)$ lies in $\mathbb{P}^3$ by our normal form. In this setting we call the first two coordinates of $\mathbb{P}^3$ conormal coordinates, the third one the tangent coordinate and the fourth one the normal coordinate. The set of points in $\mathbb{P}^3$ where the normal components is zero, we call the *tangent component*. It is the smallest convex set in $\mathbb{P}^3$ which contains the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_D))$ and the tangents line to C which is just $(0, 0, 1, 0)$ for our normal form.

Theorem 4.9. *Suppose C is an irreducible plane curve of multiplicity greater than 1. Let η be the standard normalization for C , with the associated generators of $J(f)_D$. Then the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_D))$ over $(0, 0)$ is:*

i) $\mathbb{P}^1 \times (0, 0)$, if $B_1 = n + 1$ (which is the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(J(f)_D))$);

ii) The tangent component, if $B_1 > n + 1$.

Proof. (i) If $B_1 = n + 1$, then $f = ax^{n+1} - y^n$ and the degrees of $f_x \circ \eta, f_y \circ \eta$ differ by 1, hence the Gauss map $\langle f_x \circ \eta, f_y \circ \eta \rangle$ is a local embedding, and we apply Theorem 4.6.

(ii) We first show that the tangent component is in the fiber. Denote the matrix of Proposition 4.8 by SN_D . There are two cases:

Case A: Suppose $B_1 > 2n$.

Consider

$$(1, 0) \cdot SN_D = f_y \circ \eta(t) \left(-\frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}}, 1, 0, 0 \right) \quad (1)$$

The projective limit of (1) is $(0, 1, 0, 0)$. Consider the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(-\frac{f_y \circ \eta \circ \varphi(t)}{f_y \circ \eta(t)}, 1 \right) \cdot SN_D \\ &= -f_y \circ \eta \circ \varphi(t) \left(\frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}}(t) - \frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}}(\varphi(t)), 0, \eta_1(t) - \eta_1(\varphi(t)), \eta_2(t) - \eta_2(\varphi(t)) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Now

$$\frac{\frac{d\eta_2}{dt}}{\frac{d\eta_1}{dt}} = \frac{a_{B_1}}{n} t^{B_1-n} + \dots + \frac{a_{B_2}}{n} t^{B_2-n} + \dots.$$

So (2) becomes

$$-f_y \circ \eta \circ \varphi(t) \left(\frac{a_{B_1}}{n} t^{B_1-n} + \dots + \frac{a_{B_2}}{n} t^{B_2-n} + \dots - \left(\frac{a_{B_1}}{n} \varphi^{B_1-n} + \dots + \frac{a_{B_2}}{n} \varphi^{B_2-n} + \dots \right), 0, t^n - \varphi^n, (t^{B_1} - \varphi^{B_1}) + \dots + (a_{B_2} t^{B_2} - a_{B_2} \varphi^{B_2}) + \dots \right).$$

Since $B_1 > 2n$, so $B_1 - n > n$, let $\phi(t) = ct + dt^s$ where c is an n^{th} root of unity, but not a B_1 -st root of unity, hence not a $(B_1 - n)$ -th root of unity, d arbitrary. The degrees of the leading terms which are non-zero are $(B_1 - n, n + s - 1, B_1)$. If we choose s to solve the equation $B_1 - n = n + s - 1$, i.e $s = B_1 - 2n + 1$ we get that the projective limit of $(At^{B_1-n}(1) + B(2))$ is $\langle B \frac{B_1}{n} (c^{B_1-n} - 1), A, -ndB, 0 \rangle$. This show that a tangential component is in the fiber since the component is a closed set.

Case B: Suppose $2n > B_1 > n$.

This is similar to case (A). Let $\phi(t) = ct + dt^s$ where c is a $(B_1 - n)$ -th root of unity, not an n -th root of unity, s solves $B_1 - n + s - 1 = n$, i.e $s = 2n + 1 - B_1$.

Then the degrees of the leading terms of the non-zero elements of (2) are $(B_1 - n + s - 1, n, B_1)$, so the projective limit of $\langle At^n(\mathbf{1}) + B(\mathbf{2}) \rangle$ is $\langle Bd\frac{B_1}{n}, A, B(1 - d^n), 0 \rangle$.

Now we show in both cases (A) and (B) that in general in the limit the normal coordinate is zero. We may assume after a coordinate change in t that

$$\varphi_1 = t^s, \varphi_2 = c_{s_1} t^{s_1} + \dots$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_1 \circ \varphi_1 - \eta_1 \circ \varphi_2 &= t^{ns} - c_{s_1}^n t^{s_1 n} + \dots \\ \eta_2 \circ \varphi_1 - \eta_2 \circ \varphi_2 &= a_{B_1} t^{B_1 s} - a_{B_1} c_{s_1}^{B_1 s} t^{B_1 s} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

In order for the normal coordinate to be non-zero in the limit $s_1 = s$ and $c_s = c_{s_1}$ must be an n -th root of unity, so assume $\varphi_2 = c_s t^s + c_r t^r + \dots$, c_s a root of unity of order n , $B_1, \dots, B_{j-1}$, not B_j . Consider

$$\left(\frac{d\eta_2}{dt} \circ t^s - \frac{d\eta_2}{dt} \circ \varphi_2, 0, \eta_1 \circ t^s - \eta_1 \circ \varphi_2, \eta_2 \circ t^s - \eta_2 \circ \varphi_2 \right).$$

Then the degrees of the leading non-zero terms are

$$\left(\min_j \{ (B_1 - n - 1)s + r, (B_j - n)s \}, (n - 1)s + r, \min_j \{ (B_1 - 1)s + r, B_j s \} \right).$$

Note that $(B_1 - 1)s + r > (n - 1)s + r$ and $s(B_j - n) < B_j s$, $\forall s$. This shows that if c_s is a root of unity $\forall B_j$, i.e, $c_s = 1$.

Hence in the limit the normal coordinate is zero. Then the only way for a limit with non-zero normal coordinate is to assume r large enough so that $(n - 1)s + r > B_j s$ and use d to satisfy the appropriate equation so that $(B_j - n)s$ is cancelled in the first coordinate. This implies that r satisfies $(B_1 - n - 1)s + r = (B_j - n)s$, i.e, $r = (B_j - B_1 + 1)s$. But then the leading term of the tangent coordinate is $(n - 1)s + (B_j - B_1 + 1)s = (B_j + (n - B_1))s < (B_j)s$. So in the limit the normal coordinate is zero. $\square$

Now we describe the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(JM(X)_D))$ over (x, x) , where x is a smooth point of X . For simplicity, assume that $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ is a hypersurface defined by $F : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$ and $x = 0$. For $v \in TX_0$, $v \neq 0$, let $v \cdot DF(0)$ denote $\left(v_i \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_i} \right) \in \mathbb{C}^{n^2}$. Note that the elements of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(JM(X)_D))$ lie in $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^n \oplus \mathbb{C}^{n^2})$ and $\mathbb{C}^n$ and $\mathbb{C}^{n^2}$ can be canonically embedded in $\mathbb{C}^n \oplus \mathbb{C}^{n^2}$, so we can regard $DF(0)$ and $v \cdot DF(0)$ as vectors in $\mathbb{C}^n \oplus \mathbb{C}^{n^2}$.

Let $\Gamma(\hat{D}_2 F)$ denote the vector space spanned by

$$\{ \hat{D}_2 F(0)v \oplus v \cdot DF(0) \mid v \in TX_0 \}.$$

Proposition 4.10. *If 0 is a smooth point of X then the fiber of $\text{Projan}(\mathcal{R}(JM(X)_D))$ over $(0, 0)$ is the $\mathbb{P}(\text{span}(DF(0), \Gamma(\hat{D}_2 F)))$.*

Proof. Since X is smooth at 0, by choosing an appropriate linear projection we can view it as the graph of a function f , so that X is defined by $z_n - f(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) = F$. Note that the second intrinsic derivative of F at 0 applied to $v \in TX_0$ is $-Df(0)v$.

If $\phi(t)$ is a curve on X , ϕ has the form $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, f(\varphi_1, \varphi_2))$, so the leading term of ϕ is the leading term of (φ_1, φ_2) . The leading term of $\phi \cdot DF$ is $v \cdot t^k \cdot \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}$, where $v \cdot t^k$ is the leading term of (φ_1, φ_2) . Let $\phi_1(t) = 0$ and $\phi_2(t) = \phi$. The leading term of

$$(DF \circ \phi(t) - DF(0), \phi(t) \cdot DF(\phi(t)))$$

is $(-D_2f(0)(vt^k), t^k v \cdot DF(0))$. So the leading term of

$$(-1 + at^k, 1) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} DF(0) & 0 \\ DF \circ \phi & (\phi - 0) \cdot DF(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

is $ta^k(DF(0), 0) + (-D_2f(0)(vt^k), t^k v \cdot DF(0))$. This shows that the fiber contains the desired space.

If we replace ϕ_1 by any other curve, then suppose that the multiplicity of $\phi_2 - \phi_1$ is k ; then again the leading term of

$$(DF \circ (\phi_2) - DF \circ (\phi_1), (\phi_2 - \phi_1) \cdot DF \circ \phi_2)$$

is $(-D_2f(0)(t^k v), t^k v \cdot DF(0))$ and we get the same result as before (note that $\hat{D}_2F$ is $-D_2f(0)$). $\square$

The results obtained in this paper suggest several natural directions for further investigation. A first one is the extension of the explicit description of the exceptional fibers from curves to higher-dimensional subvarieties, where the interaction between limiting tangent hyperplanes and the geometry of secant directions is expected to be considerably richer. Another direction is to study how the projective analytic spectrum of the double behaves under deformations and whether it provides new invariants for bi-Lipschitz equisingularity. Finally, the identification of the fibers away from the diagonal as joins of the corresponding fibers of the original module indicates that the projective analytic spectrum of the double may offer a useful framework for understanding pairs of limiting tangent hyperplanes in more general settings, particularly in connection with polar varieties, integral closure, and Lipschitz stratification.

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