

Normal forms for singularities of pedal curves produced by non-singular dual curve germs in S^n

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Abstract For an n -dimensional spherical unit speed curve \mathbf{r} and a given point P , we can define naturally the pedal curve of \mathbf{r} relative to the pedal point P . When the dual curve germs are non-singular, singularity types of such pedal curves depend only on locations of pedal points. In this paper, we give a complete list of normal forms for singularities and locations of pedal points when the dual curve germs are non-singular. As an application of our list, we characterize C^∞ left equivalence classes of pedal curve germs $(I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$ produced by non-singular dual curve germ from the viewpoint of the relation between \mathcal{L} tangent space and \mathcal{C} tangent space.

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1 Introduction

Let I be an open interval and S^n be the n -dimensional unit sphere in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} . A C^∞ regular map $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^n$ is said to be a *spherical unit speed curve* if each of the following $\mathbf{u}_i(s)$ ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$) is inductively well-defined for any $s \in I$ (in other words, each of the following $\kappa_i(s)$ ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$) is a positive function), where initial information are $\mathbf{u}_{-1}(s) \equiv \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{u}_0(s) = \mathbf{r}(s)$, $\|\mathbf{u}'_0(s)\| \equiv 1$ and $\kappa_0(s) \equiv 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_i(s) &= \frac{\mathbf{u}'_{i-1}(s) + \kappa_{i-1}(s)\mathbf{u}_{i-2}(s)}{\|\mathbf{u}'_{i-1}(s) + \kappa_{i-1}(s)\mathbf{u}_{i-2}(s)\|} & (1 \leq i \leq n-1) \\ \kappa_i(s) &= \|\mathbf{u}'_{i-1}(s) + \kappa_{i-1}(s)\mathbf{u}_{i-2}(s)\| & (1 \leq i \leq n-1)\end{aligned}$$

Note that the above inductive conditions for a spherical unit speed curve \mathbf{r} are not so strong restrictions. This is because first by using Thom transversality theorem (for

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instance, see [6]) $(n-2)$ times for any C^∞ regular map $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^n$ we can obtain a sufficiently near C^∞ map $\tilde{\mathbf{r}}$ in $C^\infty(I, S^n)$ with Whitney C^∞ topology such that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{r}}(s), \frac{d\tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{ds}(s), \dots, \frac{d^{n-1}\tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{ds^{n-1}}(s) \text{ are linearly independent for any } s \in I.$$

Then the so-called *arc-length parameter* gives a C^∞ diffeomorphism $h : I \rightarrow I$ such that $\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \circ h^{-1}$ is a spherical unit speed curve.

For a spherical unit speed curve we see that any two of $\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq n-1, i \neq j$) are perpendicular (see §2). Therefore, we can define one more vector $\mathbf{u}_n(s)$ uniquely so that $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \mathbf{u}_1(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$ is an orthogonal moving frame and $\det(\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)) = 1$ for any $s \in I$. The map $\mathbf{u}_n : I \rightarrow S^n$ is called the *dual curve* of \mathbf{r} ([1]). By using the dual curve \mathbf{u}_n we define κ_n as follows, where the dot in the center means the scalar product:

$$\kappa_n(s) = \mathbf{u}'_{n-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s).$$

We see that the dual curve \mathbf{u}_n is non-singular at s if and only if $\kappa_n(s) \neq 0$ (see §2).

For any i ($-1 \leq i \leq n$), we put

$$S_{\mathbf{u}_i(s)}^i = (S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}) \cap \sum_{j=-1}^i \mathbf{R}\mathbf{u}_j(s).$$

Given a spherical unit speed curve $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^n$, choosing a point P of $S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s) \mid s \in I\}$ gives the map which maps $s \in I$ to the unique nearest point in $S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s)}^{n-1}$ from P . Such a map is called the *pedal curve* relative to the *pedal point* P for an n -dimensional unit speed curve \mathbf{r} and is denoted by $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r}, P}$. Note that since all points in $S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s)}^{n-1}$ are the nearest points from $\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s)$ the pedal point P for the map-germ $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r}, P}$ at s must be outside $\{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$.

The purpose of this paper is to show the following.

Theorem 1.1 *Let \mathbf{r} be an n -dimensional spherical unit speed curve. Let $s_0 \in I$ be such that $\kappa_n(s_0) \neq 0$. Then the following hold.*

1. *The pedal point P is inside $S_{\mathbf{u}_n(s_0)}^n - S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s_0)}^{n-2}$ if and only if the map-germ $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r}, P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$ is C^∞ left equivalent to the map-germ given by $s \mapsto (s, 0, \dots, 0)$.*
2. *For any i ($0 \leq i \leq n-2$), the pedal point P is inside $S_{\mathbf{u}_i(s_0)}^i - S_{\mathbf{u}_{i-1}(s_0)}^{i-1}$ if and only if the map-germ $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r}, P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$ is C^∞ left equivalent to the map-germ given by the following:*

$$s \mapsto (\underbrace{s^{n-i}, s^{n-i+1}, \dots, s^{2n-2i-1}}_{(n-i) \text{ elements}}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_i).$$

Here, two map-germs $f, g : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, 0)$ are said to be C^∞ left equivalent if there exist a germ of C^∞ diffeomorphism $h_t : (\mathbf{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, 0)$ such that the identity $g = h_t \circ f$ is satisfied.

As a corollary of theorem 1.1, we can characterize C^∞ left equivalence classes of pedal curve germs $(I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$ with $\kappa_n(s_0) \neq 0$ from the viewpoint of the relation between \mathcal{L} tangent space and \mathcal{C} tangent space. For the definitions of \mathcal{L} tangent space and \mathcal{C} tangent space, see [7] or [9]. Let $\mathcal{O}(1, n)$ be the set of C^∞ map-germs $f : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow$

$(\mathbf{R}^n, 0)$ such that $T\mathcal{L}(f) = TC(f)$ (\mathcal{O} means “open”) with finite codimensions ; and let $\mathcal{P}(1, n)$ be the set of C^∞ map-germs $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, 0)$ which are C^∞ left equivalent to some pedal curve germ $(I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$ with $\kappa_n(s_0) \neq 0$ (\mathcal{P} means “pedal”). Since any normal form in theorem 1.1 belongs to $\mathcal{O}(1, n)$, any map-germ in $\mathcal{P}(1, n)$ is C^∞ left equivalent to one of normal forms in theorem 1.1 and any map-germ in $\mathcal{O}(1, n)$ is C^∞ left equivalent to one of normal forms in theorem 1.1¹, we have the following.

Corollary 1.1 $\mathcal{O}(1, n) = \mathcal{P}(1, n)$.

Note that it is impossible to obtain the same result as in corollary 1.1 if we replace $T\mathcal{L}(f) = TC(f)$ with $T\mathcal{A}(f) = TK(f)$ in the definition of $\mathcal{O}(1, n)$ since the equality $T\mathcal{A}(f) = TK(f)$ holds even for $f(s) = (s^3, s^4)$. Thus, in our situation the C^∞ right-left equivalence does not work well, but the C^∞ left equivalence does so. This is a merit since the C^∞ left equivalence is easy to deal with as pointed out in [4]. Furthermore, in our situation we can truncate higher terms quite easily by using Malgrange preparation theorem only one time, we need no calculations by using semigroups as in [2] (see §5). On the other hand, note also that it is impossible in general to characterize $\mathcal{P}(1, n)$ as the set of tops of hierarchies of \mathcal{A} -simple singularities since normal forms in 2 of theorem 1.1 are \mathcal{A} -simple if and only if $n \leq 6$ due to [2]. Thus, it seems that the notion of simple singularity is not suitable for singularities of pedal in general.

In §2 we investigate several properties of the set $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$. §3 is devoted to factor $ped_{\mathbf{r}, P}$ as the composition of the dual curve, the canonical projection and one map $\tilde{\Psi}_P$. In §4 we show that the map $\tilde{\Psi}_P$ introduced in §3 is C^∞ right-left equivalent to the blow up of \mathbf{R}^n at the origin. Proof of theorem 1.1 is given in §5.

2 Several properties of the set $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$

Lemma 2.1 *For any $s \in I$ and any i, k ($-1 \leq i < k \leq n-1$) the following three hold.*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) &= 0, \\ \mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_k(s) &= 0 \quad (i < k-1), \\ \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_k(s) &= -\kappa_k(s). \end{aligned}$$

Proof of lemma 2.1 We show lemma 2.1 by induction on k .

First, by definitions it is trivial that $\mathbf{u}_{-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_0(s) = 0$ and $\mathbf{u}_{-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_0(s) = -\kappa_0(s)$.

Next, we assume that for any i, j ($-1 \leq i < j < k \leq n-1$), the following three hold.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_j(s) &= 0, \\ \mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_j(s) &= 0 \quad (i < j-1), \\ \mathbf{u}_{j-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_j(s) &= -\kappa_j(s). \end{aligned}$$

¹ The last assertion on map-germs in $\mathcal{O}(1, n)$ is easily obtained by Gaffney’s criterion on \mathcal{L} -equivalence (for Gaffney’s criterion on \mathcal{L} -equivalence, see theorem 2.7 of [9]).

Under this assumption, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_{k-2}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) &= \frac{1}{\kappa_k(s)} \mathbf{u}_{k-2}(s) \cdot (\mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(s) + \kappa_{k-1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{k-2}(s)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\kappa_k(s)} (-\kappa_{k-1}(s) + \kappa_{k-1}(s)) = 0\end{aligned}$$

and for $i < k, i \neq k-2$ we see that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) &= \frac{1}{\kappa_k(s)} \mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot (\mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(s) + \kappa_{k-1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{k-2}(s)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\kappa_k(s)} (0 + 0) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Next, under the same assumption we see that for any i ($0 \leq i < k-1$)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_k(s) &= -\mathbf{u}'_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) \\ &= -(\kappa_{i+1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{i+1}(s) - \kappa_i(s) \mathbf{u}_{i-1}(s)) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) \\ &= -(0 + 0) = 0\end{aligned}$$

and in the case that $i = k-1$ we see

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_{k-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_k(s) &= -\mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) \\ &= -(\kappa_k(s) \mathbf{u}_k(s) - \kappa_{k-1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{k-2}(s)) \cdot \mathbf{u}_k(s) \\ &= -(\kappa_k(s) + 0) = -\kappa_k(s).\end{aligned}$$

Of course, $\mathbf{u}_{-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_k(s) = 0$ holds under no assumption.

Therefore, lemma 2.1 is proved by induction. \square

Lemma 2.1 shows that $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$ is an orthogonal moving frame.

Lemma 2.2 *For any $s \in I$ the following two hold.*

1. $\mathbf{u}'_{n-1}(s) = -\kappa_{n-1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s) + \kappa_n(s) \mathbf{u}_n(s)$,
2. $\mathbf{u}'_n(s) = -\kappa_n(s) \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s)$.

Proof of lemma 2.2 First we show 2 of lemma 2.2. By definition, for any i ($i < n-1$)

$$\mathbf{u}'_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s) = (\kappa_{i+1}(s) \mathbf{u}_{i+1}(s) - \kappa_i(s) \mathbf{u}_{i-1}(s)) \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s) = 0.$$

Thus, we have that $\mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_n(s) = 0$. Combining this result with $\mathbf{u}'_n(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s) = 0$ implies that we may put $\mathbf{u}'_n(s) = \alpha(s) \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s)$. Then,

$$\alpha(s) = \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}'_n(s) = -\mathbf{u}'_{n-1}(s) \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s) = -\kappa_n(s).$$

Next, we show 1 of lemma 2.2. By similar arguments as in the proof of 2 of lemma 2.2 we may put $\mathbf{u}'_{n-1}(s) = \beta(s) \mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s) + \kappa_n(s) \mathbf{u}_n(s)$. Then, lemma 2.1 and 2 of lemma 2.2 show that $\beta(s) = -\kappa_{n-1}(s)$. \square

By lemma 2.2, we see that the dual curve $\mathbf{u}_n(s)$ is non-singular if and only if $\kappa_n(s) \neq 0$ and we obtain the following Serret Frenet type formula.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}'_0(s) \\ \mathbf{u}'_1(s) \\ \mathbf{u}'_2(s) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}'_{n-2}(s) \\ \mathbf{u}'_{n-1}(s) \\ \mathbf{u}'_n(s) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \kappa_1(s) & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\kappa_1(s) & 0 & \kappa_2(s) & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\kappa_2(s) & 0 & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 & \kappa_{n-1}(s) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & -\kappa_{n-1}(s) & 0 & \kappa_n(s) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 & -\kappa_n(s) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_0(s) \\ \mathbf{u}_1(s) \\ \mathbf{u}_2(s) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s) \\ \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s) \\ \mathbf{u}_n(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

By using the Serret Frenet type formula again and again, we obtain the following lemma 2.3.

Lemma 2.3 *For any i ($0 \leq i \leq n-2$), we have the following.*

1. $\mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \frac{d^j \mathbf{u}_n}{ds^j}(s) = 0$ ($1 \leq j \leq n-i-1$),
2. $\mathbf{u}_i(s) \cdot \frac{d^{n-i} \mathbf{u}_n}{ds^{n-i}}(s) = (-1)^{n-i} \prod_{j=0}^{n-i-1} \kappa_{n-j}(s)$.

3 Explicit formula for the pedal curve relative to P

Let \mathbf{r} be an n -dimensional spherical unit speed curve and let P be any point in $S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s) \mid s \in I\}$. By using the orthogonal frame $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$, we may decompose P as

$$P = \sum_{i=0}^n (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_i(s)) \mathbf{u}_i(s).$$

Lemma 3.1

$$ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s))^2}} (P - (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s)) \mathbf{u}_n(s)).$$

Proof of lemma 3.1 For any $s \in I$, by subtracting $(P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s)) \mathbf{u}_n(s)$ from P we obtain the vector $P - (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s)) \mathbf{u}_n(s)$ in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} which is positive scalar multiple of $ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s)$. Normalizing this vector gives the right hand side of the formula in lemma 3.1, which must be the vector $ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s)$. \square

By this formula, we have the following.

Lemma 3.2

$$ped'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = 0 \iff \kappa_n(s) = 0 \text{ or } P \in S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s)}^{n-2}.$$

Proof of lemma 3.2 By differentiating $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r},P}$ and using lemmata 2.2 and 3.1, we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ped}'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) \\ &= -\kappa_n(s) \frac{(P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s))(P \cdot \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s))}{(1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s))^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_i(s)) \mathbf{u}_i(s) \\ & \quad + \kappa_n(s) \frac{1}{(1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s))^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left((P \cdot \mathbf{u}_n(s)) \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s) + (P \cdot \mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s)) \mathbf{u}_n(s) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\{\mathbf{u}_0(s), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$ is an orthogonal frame, we see that $\text{ped}'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = 0$ if and only if $\kappa_n(s) = 0$ or $P \in S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s)}^{n-2}$. \square

Let P be a point of $S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s) \mid s \in I\}$. We consider the following C^∞ map $\Psi_P : S^n - \{\pm P\} \rightarrow S^n$:

$$\Psi_P(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{x})^2}} (P - (P \cdot \mathbf{x})\mathbf{x}).$$

We see that the image $\Psi_P(S^n - \{\pm P\})$ is inside the open hemisphere centered at P . Let this open hemisphere, the set $\pi(S^n - \{\pm P\})$ be denoted by X_P, B_P respectively, where $\pi : S^n \rightarrow P^n(\mathbf{R})$ is the canonical projection. Note that X_P is C^∞ diffeomorphic to the n -dimensional open ball $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 < 1\}$.

Since $\Psi_P(\mathbf{x}) = \Psi_P(-\mathbf{x})$, Ψ_P induces the map $\tilde{\Psi}_P : B_P \rightarrow X_P$. Then, lemma 3.1 shows that $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r},P}$ is factored into three maps in the following way.

$$\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \pi \circ \mathbf{u}_n(s).$$

4 Map of blow up type

Let $p : B \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ be the blow up of \mathbf{R}^n centered at the origin.

Lemma 4.1 *Let P be a point of $S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s)\}$. Then, there exist C^∞ diffeomorphisms $h_s : B_P \rightarrow B$ and $h_t : X_P \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ such that the equality $h_t \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \equiv p \circ h_s$ is satisfied.*

By lemma 4.1, it is reasonable to call $\tilde{\Psi}_P$ a map of blow up type.

Proof of lemma 4.1 By a suitable rotation of S^n if necessary, we may assume that $P = (0, \dots, 1)$. For any i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) and any $(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in S^n - \{\pm P\}$ with $x_i \neq 0$ we put

$$\varphi_{P,i}(\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})) = \left(\frac{x_1}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{i-1}}{x_i}, -\tan(\lambda)x_i, \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{x_i} \right),$$

where $\lambda = \sin^{-1}(x_{n+1})$ ($-\frac{\pi}{2} < \lambda < \frac{\pi}{2}$). Then, we see easily that for any i, j ($1 \leq i, j \leq n$) the following equality holds

$$\varphi_{P,j} \circ \varphi_{P,i}^{-1} \equiv \varphi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1},$$

where $\{(U_1, \varphi_1), \dots, (U_n, \varphi_n)\}$ is the standard atlas for the blowing up $p : B \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$. Thus, the set

$$\{(U_{P,1}, \varphi_{P,1}), \dots, (U_{P,n}, \varphi_{P,n})\}$$

can be an atlas for $\pi(S^n - \{\pm P\})$, where $U_{P,i} = \{\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \mid x_i \neq 0\}$.

Next, we express our map $\tilde{\Psi}_P$ by using euclidean coordinates (u_1, \dots, u_n) . Since we have assumed $P = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$, for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n, \sin(\lambda))$ we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{x})^2}}(P - (P \cdot \mathbf{x})\mathbf{x}) = (-\tan(\lambda)x_1, \dots, -\tan(\lambda)x_n, \cos(\lambda))$$

and therefore for any i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) we have

$$q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,i}^{-1}(u_1, \dots, u_n) = (u_1 u_i, \dots, u_{i-1} u_i, u_i, u_{i+1} u_i, \dots, u_n u_i),$$

where $q : \mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ is the canonical projection.

Since this expression is completely the same as that of the blow up by using the standard coordinate system (U_i, φ_i) ($1 \leq i \leq n$) and the restriction $q|_{X_P} : X_P \rightarrow q(X_P)$ is a C^∞ diffeomorphism, we see that lemma 4.1 is proved for $\tilde{\Psi}_P|_{U_{P,i}}$ and $p|_{U_i}$. Thus, in order to finish the proof of lemma 4.1 it suffices to show that for any i, j ($1 \leq i, j \leq n$) the equality

$$\varphi_i^{-1} \circ \varphi_{P,i}(\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})) = \varphi_j^{-1} \circ \varphi_{P,j}(\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}))$$

holds for $\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in U_{P,i} \cap U_{P,j}$. This holds since we have already checked that the patching relations for our $\{(U_{P,i}, \varphi_{P,i})\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are completely the same as for the standard atlas of B . \square

5 Proof of theorem 1.1

Since $\{S_{\mathbf{u}_n(s_0)}^n - S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s_0)}^{n-2}, S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-2}(s_0)}^{n-2} - S_{\mathbf{u}_{n-3}(s_0)}^{n-3}, \dots, S_{\mathbf{u}_0(s_0)}^0 - S_{\mathbf{u}_{-1}(s_0)}^{-1}\}$ gives a stratification of $S^n - \{\pm \mathbf{u}_n(s_0)\}$, “if parts” of 1, 2 of theorem 1.1 follows from “only if parts” of 1, 2 of theorem 1.1. Thus, we show only “only if parts” in the following.

[Proof of “only if part” of 1] By lemma 3.2, $\text{ped}'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0) \neq 0$ in this case. Thus, the map-germ $\text{ped}_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0)$ is non-singular. \square

[Proof of “only if part” of 2] By a suitable rotation of S^n if necessary, we may assume that $P = (0, \dots, 0, 1) \in \mathbf{R}^{n+1}$. Then, since $P \in S_{\mathbf{u}_i(s_0)}^i - S_{\mathbf{u}_{i-1}(s_0)}^{i-1}$, by a further-
more suitable rotation of S^n if necessary we may assume that $\mathbf{u}_n(s_0) = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, $\mathbf{u}_{n-1}(s_0) = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, \dots , $\mathbf{u}_{i+1}(s_0) = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{(n-i-1) \text{ elements}}, 1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{(i+1) \text{ elements}})$; and

$\mathbf{u}_j(s_0)$ ($0 \leq j \leq i$) have the following form

$$\mathbf{u}_j(s_0) = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{(n-i) \text{ elements}}, \underbrace{a_{(n-i)j}, \dots, a_{nj}}_{(i+1) \text{ elements}}),$$

where $a_{ni} \neq 0$.

By lemma 2.3, we see that the following three hold for component function-germs u_{0n}, \dots, u_{nn} of the map-germ $\mathbf{u}_n = (u_{0n}, \dots, u_{nn}) : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^n$.

1. For any j ($0 \leq j \leq n-i-1$), the lowest degree of non-zero terms of u_{jn} is j .
2. For any j ($n-i \leq j \leq n-1$), the lowest degree of non-zero terms of u_{jn} is more than or equal to $n-i$.

3. The lowest degree of non-zero terms of u_{nn} is $n - i$.

Therefore, by lemma 4.1 we see that the following two hold for component function-germs ψ_1, \dots, ψ_n of the map-germ $(q \circ \tilde{\psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1}) \circ (\varphi_{P,1} \circ \pi \circ \mathbf{u}_n) : (I, s_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$.

1. For any j ($1 \leq j \leq n - i$), the lowest degree of non-zero terms of ψ_j is $n - i + j - 1$,
2. For any j ($n - i + 1 \leq j \leq n$), the lowest degree of non-zero terms of ψ_j is $2n - 2i$.

Let \mathcal{E}_1 be the set of all C^∞ function germs with one variable $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, m_1 be its subset consisting of all function-germs with zero constant terms. Then, $m_1^{n-i}\mathcal{E}_1$ is a finitely generated \mathcal{E}_1 -module. We put $f(t) = t^{n-i}$ and apply the Malgrange preparation theorem (for instance, see [3], [6], [9]) to $m_1^{n-i}\mathcal{E}_1$ and f . Then we see that for any function-germ $g \in m_1^{n-i}\mathcal{E}_1$ there exists a certain C^∞ function-germ ψ such that

$$g(t) = \psi(t^{n-i}, \dots, t^{2n-2i-1}).$$

Thus, for our map-germ $ped_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^n, ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$ there exists a germ of C^∞ diffeomorphism $h_t : (S^n, ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0)) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, 0)$ such that

$$h_t \circ ped_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = (\underbrace{(s - s_0)^{n-i}, \dots, (s - s_0)^{2n-2i-1}}_{(n-i) \text{ elements}}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_i).$$

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