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## 1 Introduction

Let  $I$  be an open interval,  $S^2$  be the unit sphere in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^2$  be a  $C^\infty$  map such that  $\|\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds}(s)\| = 1$ , which is called a *spherical unit speed curve* in  $S^2$ .

Let  $P$  be a point in  $S^2 - \{\pm\mathbf{n}(s) \mid s \in I\}$ , where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the dual of  $\mathbf{r}$ . The *pedal curve* with the *pedal point*  $P$  for a given spherical unit speed curve  $\mathbf{r}$  is a curve obtained by mapping  $s \in I$  to the unique nearest point in  $C_{\mathbf{n}(s)}$  from  $P$ , where  $C_{\mathbf{n}(s)}$  is the great circle of  $S^2$  which tangents to the vector  $\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds}(s)$  at  $\mathbf{r}(s)$ . The pedal curve with the pedal point  $P$  for  $\mathbf{r}$  is denoted by  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$ . Note that since all points in  $C_{\mathbf{n}(s)}$  are the nearest points from  $\pm\mathbf{n}(s)$  the pedal point  $P$  must be outside  $\{\pm\mathbf{n}(s) \mid s \in I\}$ . We put

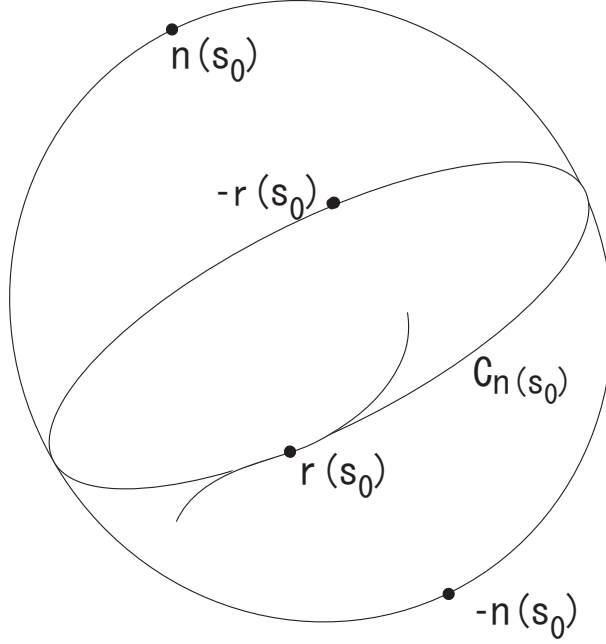
$$\mathbf{t}(s) = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds}(s), \quad \mathbf{n}(s) = \mathbf{r}(s) \times \mathbf{t}(s),$$

where  $\mathbf{r}(s) \times \mathbf{t}(s)$  means the vector product of  $\mathbf{r}(s)$  and  $\mathbf{t}(s)$ . These are called the *tangent vector* and the *normal vector* respectively. By definitions the vector  $\mathbf{t}(s)$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{r}(s)$  and the vector  $\mathbf{n}(s)$  is perpendicular to both of  $\mathbf{r}(s)$  and  $\mathbf{t}(s)$ . The map  $\mathbf{n} : I \rightarrow S^2$ , which is called the *dual* of  $\mathbf{r}$ , is relatively well understood (for instance, see [1], [5],[11]).

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Figure 1:  $\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0), \pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)$  and  $C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)}$ 

Let  $\kappa_g(s)$  be the geodesic curvature of a spherical unit speed curve  $\mathbf{r}(s)$  at  $s$  (for the definition of the geodesic curvature, see §2). In [10] the following has been shown.

**Theorem 1 ([10])** *Let  $\mathbf{r}$  be a spherical unit speed curve. Let  $s_0 \in I$  be such that  $\kappa_g(s_0) \neq 0$  and  $P$  be a point of  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\}$ . Then the following hold.*

1. *If  $P \in S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\} - \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is smooth, that is to say, it is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^2, 0)$  given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma, 0)$ .*
2. *If  $P \in \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^2, 0)$  given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^2, \sigma^3)$ .*

The purpose of this paper is to classify the singularities of pedal curves  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  for  $s_0$  with  $\kappa_g(s_0) = 0$ .

**Theorem 2** *Let  $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^2$  be a spherical unit speed curve. Let  $s_0 \in I$  such that  $\kappa_g(s_0) = \kappa'_g(s_0) = \dots = \kappa_g^{(k-1)}(s_0) = 0, \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0) \neq 0$  ( $k \geq 1$ ) and  $P$  be a point of  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\}$ . Then the following hold.*

1. If  $P \in S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\} - C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^1$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^{k+1}, \sigma^{k+2})$ .
2. If  $P \in C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)} - \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^2$  is  $C^1$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^{k+1}, \sigma^{2k+3})$ .
3. If  $P \in \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^1$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^{k+2}, \sigma^{2k+3})$ .

Here, for  $r = \infty$  or 1 two map-germs  $f, g : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^2, \mathbf{0})$  are said to be  $C^r$  right-left equivalent if there exist germs of  $C^r$  diffeomorphisms  $h_s : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  and  $h_t : (\mathbf{R}^2, \mathbf{0}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^2, \mathbf{0})$  such that  $h_t \circ f \circ h_s^{-1} = g$ .

Combining theorems 1 and 2 yields a complete  $C^1$  classification of singularities of pedal curves  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  for spherical unit speed curves whose geodesic curvatures are nowhere flat.

In §2, we recall Serret-Frenet type formula for a spherical unit speed curve and give several applications of it. §3 is devoted to give an explicit formula for  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  and the main tool to prove theorem 2. Proofs of 3, 2 and 1 of theorem 2 are given in §4, §5 and §6 respectively. Finally, in §7 we give a remark on possibility of improving  $C^1$  right-left equivalence to  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalence in theorem 2.

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## 2 Serret-Frenet type formula and its applications

**Lemma 2.1** *For the orthogonal moving frame  $\{\mathbf{r}(s), \mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{n}(s)\}$  the following Serret-Frenet type formula holds.*

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{r}'(s) &= \mathbf{t}(s) \\ \mathbf{t}'(s) &= -\mathbf{r}(s) + \kappa_g(s)\mathbf{n}(s) \\ \mathbf{n}'(s) &= -\kappa_g(s)\mathbf{t}(s). \end{cases}$$

Here prime means differentiating with respect to  $s$  and  $\kappa_g(s)$  is called the *geodesic curvature* of  $\mathbf{r}$  at  $s$  which is given by

$$\kappa_g(s) = \det(\mathbf{r}(s), \mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{t}'(s)).$$

[Proof of lemma 2.1] We put  $\mathbf{t}'(s) = a_1\mathbf{r}(s) + b_1\mathbf{t}(s) + c_1\mathbf{n}(s)$  and we show that  $a_1 = -1$ ,  $b_1 = 0$  and  $c_1 = \kappa_g(s)$ .

Since  $\mathbf{t}(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}(s) = 0$ , we have that  $\mathbf{t}'(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}(s) = -1$ , where  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$  means the scalar product of two 3-dimensional vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ . Thus,  $a_1 = -1$ . Since  $\mathbf{t}(s) \cdot \mathbf{t}(s) = 1$ , we have that  $\mathbf{t}'(s) \cdot \mathbf{t}(s) = 0$  and thus  $b_1 = 0$ .

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}\kappa_g(s) &= \det(\mathbf{r}(s), \mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{t}'(s)) \\ &= \det(\mathbf{r}(s), \mathbf{t}(s), -\mathbf{r}(s) + c_1\mathbf{n}(s)) \\ &= c_1.\end{aligned}$$

Next, we show that  $\mathbf{n}'(s) = -\kappa_g(s)\mathbf{t}(s)$ . Since  $\mathbf{n}(s) = \mathbf{r}(s) \times \mathbf{t}(s)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{n}'(s) &= \mathbf{r}'(s) \times \mathbf{t}(s) + \mathbf{r}(s) \times \mathbf{t}'(s) \\ &= \mathbf{r}(s) \times (\kappa_g(s)\mathbf{n}(s)) \\ &= -\kappa_g(s)\mathbf{t}(s).\end{aligned}$$

□

By lemma 2.1, we see that the dual  $\mathbf{n}$  is non-singular at  $s$  if and only if  $\kappa_g(s) \neq 0$ .

Let  $s_0$  be an element of  $I$ . For any  $i$  ( $1 \leq i$ ) and any  $s$  such that  $s + s_0 \in I$ , we put

$$\varphi_i(s) = (\kappa_g(s + s_0), \kappa_g'(s + s_0), \dots, \kappa_g^{(i-1)}(s + s_0)).$$

Let  $\mathcal{E}_1$  (resp.  $\mathcal{E}_i$ ) be the set of all  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, s_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  (resp.  $(\mathbf{R}^i, \varphi_i(s_0)) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ),  $m_i$  be the subset of  $\mathcal{E}_i$  consisting of all function-germs with zero constant terms. Then,  $\varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{E}_1$  and we consider quotient  $\mathcal{E}_1$  algebras of the following types:

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_1}{\varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1}.$$

**Lemma 2.2** *Let  $s_0$  be an element of  $I$ . Then the following hold for any  $i$  ( $1 \leq i$ ).*

1.  $\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{r}(s + s_0) \in \varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathbf{R}$ .
2.  $\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{t}(s + s_0) \in \varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathbf{R}$ .
3.  $\mathbf{r}^{(i+2)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{n}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1 = \kappa_g^{(i)}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^*m_i\mathcal{E}_1$ .

**Lemma 2.3** *Let  $s_0$  be an element of  $I$ . Then the following hold for any  $i$  ( $1 \leq i$ ).*

1.  $\mathbf{n}^{(i+1)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{n}(s + s_0) \in \varphi_i^* m_i \mathcal{E}_1$ .
2.  $\mathbf{n}^{(i+1)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{t}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^* m_i \mathcal{E}_1 = -\kappa_g^{(i)}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^* m_i \mathcal{E}_1$ .
3.  $\mathbf{n}^{(i+2)}(s + s_0) \cdot \mathbf{r}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^* m_i \mathcal{E}_1 = i\kappa_g^{(i)}(s + s_0) + \varphi_i^* m_i \mathcal{E}_1$ .

For simplicity of notations, we let  $f$  mean the image  $f(s + s_0)$  for any map  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  in the proofs of lemmas 2.2 and 2.3.

[*Proof of lemma 2.2*] We prove lemma 2.2 by induction with respect to  $i$ . For  $i = 1$  it is enough to show the following three:

$$\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{r} = -1, \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{t} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{r}''' \cdot \mathbf{n} = \kappa'_g. \quad (3)$$

By lemma 2.1 we see that  $\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r})' = 0$ . Furthermore, by using lemma 2.1, we have that  $\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{r})' - \mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{r}' = -1$ . Thus, (1) holds. For (2), lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{t} = -1$ . Further use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{t} = (\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{t})' - \mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{t}' = 0$ . For (3), lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$ . Further use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{n})' - \mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{n}' = \kappa_g$ . Once more use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{r}''' \cdot \mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{n})' - \mathbf{r}'' \cdot \mathbf{n}' = \kappa'_g$ .

Next, we prove lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$  under the assumption that lemma 2.2 holds for  $i \leq j$ . By differentiating

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{r} \in \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1 + \mathbf{R},$$

we have

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{r}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{r}' \in \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

Since 2 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j$  holds by the assumption, by using lemma 2.1 we see that 1 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.

By differentiating

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{t} \in \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1 + \mathbf{R},$$

we have

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{r}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{t}' \in \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

By using lemma 2.1, 1 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$  and 3 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j - 1$ , we see that 2 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.

Finally, by differentiating

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1 = \kappa_g^{(j)} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1,$$

we have

$$\mathbf{r}^{(j+3)} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{r}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{n}' + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1 = \kappa_g^{(j+1)} + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

By using lemma 2.1 and 2 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$ , we see that 3 of lemma 2.2 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.  $\square$

[*Proof of lemma 2.3*] We prove lemma 2.3 by induction with respect to  $i$ .

For  $i = 1$  it is enough to show the following three:

$$\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{n} = -\kappa_g^2, \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{t} = -\kappa_g', \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{n}''' \cdot \mathbf{r} = \kappa_g' + \kappa_g. \quad (6)$$

By lemma 2.1 we see that  $\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n})' = 0$ . Furthermore, by using lemma 2.1, we have that  $\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{n})' - \mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{n}' = -\kappa_g^2$ . Thus, (4) holds. For (5), lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{t} = -\kappa_g$ . Further use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{t} = (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{t})' - \mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{t}' = -\kappa_g'$ . For (6), lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{r} = 0$ . Further use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{r})' - \mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{r}' = \kappa_g$ . Once more use of lemma 2.1 shows that  $\mathbf{n}''' \cdot \mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{r})' - \mathbf{n}'' \cdot \mathbf{r}' = \kappa_g' + \kappa_g$ .

Next, we prove lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$  under the assumption that lemma 2.3 holds for  $i \leq j$ . By differentiating

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{n} \in \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1,$$

we have

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{n}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{n}' \in \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

Since 2 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j$  holds by the assumption, by using lemma 2.1 we see that 1 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.

By differentiating

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{t} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1 = -\kappa_g^{(j)} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1,$$

we have

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{n}^{(j+1)} \cdot \mathbf{t}' + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1 = -\kappa_g^{(j+1)} + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

By using lemma 2.1, 1 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$  and 3 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j - 1$  if  $j \geq 1$ , we see that 2 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.

Finally, by differentiating

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1 = j\kappa_g^{(j)} + \varphi_j^* m_j \mathcal{E}_1,$$

we have

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j+3)} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{n}^{(j+2)} \cdot \mathbf{r}' + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1 = j\kappa_g^{(j+1)} + \varphi_{j+1}^* m_{j+1} \mathcal{E}_1.$$

By using lemma 2.1 and 2 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$ , we see that 3 of lemma 2.3 for  $i = j + 1$  holds.  $\square$

### 3 Explicit formula for a pedal curve

Let  $\mathbf{r}$  be a spherical unit speed curve and  $\mathbf{n}$  be its dual. Let  $P$  be any point in  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s) \mid s \in I\}$ . To characterize the singularities of the pedal curve with the pedal point  $P$  we prepare an explicit formula for  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$ .

**Lemma 3.1**

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

[Proof of lemma 3.1] For any  $s \in S^1$ , by subtracting  $(P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))\mathbf{n}(s)$  from  $P$  we obtain the vector  $P - (P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))\mathbf{n}(s)$  in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  which is a positive scalar multiple of  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s)$ . Normalizing this vector gives the right hand side of the formula in lemma 3.1, which must be the vector  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s)$ .  $\square$

By this formula, we can characterize the singularities of the pedal curve with the pedal point  $P$  as follows.

**Lemma 3.2**

$$Pe'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = 0 \iff \kappa_g(s) = 0 \text{ or } P = \mathbf{r}(s).$$

[Proof of lemma 3.2] By differentiating  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  and using lemma 2.1, we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} Pe'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = & -\kappa_g(s) \frac{(P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))(P \cdot \mathbf{t}(s))}{(1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left( (P \cdot \mathbf{r}(s))\mathbf{r}(s) + (P \cdot \mathbf{t}(s))\mathbf{t}(s) \right) \\ & + \kappa_g(s) \frac{1}{(1 - (P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left( (P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s))\mathbf{t}(s) + (P \cdot \mathbf{t}(s))\mathbf{n}(s) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\{\mathbf{r}(s), \mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{n}(s)\}$  is an orthogonal frame, we see that  $Pe'_{\mathbf{r},P}(s) = 0$  if and only if  $\kappa_g(s) = 0$  or  $P = \mathbf{r}(s)$ .  $\square$

Let  $P$  be a point of  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s) \mid s \in I\}$ . We consider the following  $C^\infty$  map  $\Psi_P : S^2 - \{\pm P\} \rightarrow S^2$ .

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

We see that the image  $\Psi_P(S^2 - \{\pm P\})$  is inside the open hemisphere centered at  $P$ . Let this open hemisphere, the set  $\pi(S^2 - \{\pm P\})$  be denoted by  $X_P, B_P$  respectively, where  $\pi : S^2 \rightarrow P^2(\mathbf{R})$  is the canonical projection. Note that  $X_P$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphic to the 2-dimensional open disc  $\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$  and  $B_P$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphic to the open Möbius band.



Since  $\Psi_P(\mathbf{x}) = \Psi_P(-\mathbf{x})$ ,  $\Psi_P$  induces the map  $\tilde{\Psi}_P : B_P \rightarrow X_P$ .

We let  $B$  be the set

$$\{(x_1, x_2) \times [\xi_1 : \xi_2] \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times P^1(\mathbf{R}) \mid x_1\xi_2 = x_2\xi_1\}.$$

Let  $p : \mathbf{R}^2 \times P^1(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be the canonical projection. In [10], we have constructed a concrete  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism

$$h_1 : B_p \rightarrow B$$

which gives the equality

$$p \circ h_1 = q_p \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P,$$

where  $q_p : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  is the orthogonal projection to the 2-dimensional linear subspace perpendicular to  $P$ . Since we need this construction to prove theorem 2, we recall arguments in [10] briefly.

First, by a suitable rotation of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  around the origin, we may assume that  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ . We put

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \{(x_1, x_2) \times [\xi_1 : \xi_2] \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times P^1(\mathbf{R}) \mid x_1\xi_2 = x_2\xi_1, \xi_1 \neq 0\}, \\ U_2 &= \{(x_1, x_2) \times [\xi_1 : \xi_2] \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times P^1(\mathbf{R}) \mid x_1\xi_2 = x_2\xi_1, \xi_2 \neq 0\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} U_{P,1} &= \{\pi((x_1, x_2, x_3)) \mid x_1 \neq 0\}, \\ U_{P,2} &= \{\pi((x_1, x_2, x_3)) \mid x_2 \neq 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we put as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_1 : U_1 &\rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2, & (x_1, x_2) \times [\xi_1 : \xi_2] &\mapsto (u_1, u_2) = \left(x_1, \frac{\xi_2}{\xi_1}\right), \\ \varphi_2 : U_2 &\rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2, & (x_1, x_2) \times [\xi_1 : \xi_2] &\mapsto (u'_1, u'_2) = \left(\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_2}, x_2\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{P,1}(\pi((x_1, x_2, x_3))) &= \left(-\tan(\lambda)x_1, \frac{x_2}{x_1}\right), \\ \varphi_{P,2}(\pi((x_1, x_2, x_3))) &= \left(\frac{x_1}{x_2}, -\tan(\lambda)x_2\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda = \sin^{-1}(x_3)$  ( $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \lambda < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ). Since  $p : B \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  is the blow up of the plane centered at the origin, it is well-known that  $\{(U_1, \varphi_1), (U_2, \varphi_2)\}$  is an atlas for  $B$  and

$$\begin{aligned} p \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(u_1, u_2) &= (u_1, u_1 u_2), \\ p \circ \varphi_2^{-1}(u'_1, u'_2) &= (u'_1 u'_2, u'_2). \end{aligned}$$

For our  $\{(U_{P,1}, \varphi_{P,1}), (U_{P,2}, \varphi_{P,2})\}$  and  $\tilde{\Psi}_P$ , we can show the same results (for details, see [10]).

1.  $\{(U_{P,1}, \varphi_{P,1}), (U_{P,2}, \varphi_{P,2})\}$  is an atlas for  $\pi(S^2 - \{\pm P\})$ .
- 2.

$$\begin{aligned} q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1}(u_1, u_2) &= (u_1, u_1 u_2), \\ q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,2}^{-1}(u'_1, u'_2) &= (u'_1 u'_2, u'_2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $q : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  is the canonical projection taking first two coordinates (note that we have put  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ ).

3.  $\varphi_1^{-1} \circ \varphi_{P,1}(\pi(x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \varphi_2^{-1} \circ \varphi_{P,2}(\pi(x_1, x_2, x_3))$   
for any  $\pi(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in U_{P,1} \cap U_{P,2}$ .

For general  $P$ , it suffices to compose suitable rotations of  $S^2$ .

## 4 Proof of 3 of theorem 2

We would like to apply the argument in §3, thus we assume that  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ . By a suitable rotation of  $S^2$ , we may assume that  $\mathbf{n}(s_0) = (1, 0, 0)$ . Furthermore, in the case of 3 of theorem 2,  $\mathbf{r}(s_0) = (0, 0, \pm 1)$  and  $\mathbf{t}(s_0) = (0, \mp 1, 0)$ . From lemma 2.3, we may put the map germ  $\mathbf{n} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, \mathbf{n}(s_0))$  as follows.

$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0) \\ \pm \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s - s_0) \\ \pm \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+2} + \beta_3(s - s_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha_2, \beta_i$  are certain  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \alpha_i}{ds^j}(0) = \frac{d^j \beta_i}{ds^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k + i - 1$ ).

Since in §3 we have put

$$\varphi_{P,1}(\pi((x_1, x_2, x_3))) = \left( -\tan(\lambda)x_1, -\frac{x_2}{x_1} \right) = (u_1, u_2)$$

where  $\sin(\lambda) = x_3$ , we have

$$\varphi_{P,1}(\pi(\mathbf{n}(s))) = \begin{pmatrix} -\tan(\lambda)(1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)) \\ -\frac{c_1(s - s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s - s_0)}{1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $c_1$  is non-zero constant given by  $c_1 = \pm \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)$ .

Since

$$q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1}(u_1, u_2) = (u_1, u_1 u_2),$$

we see that the map-germ  $\tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \mathbf{n} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \mathbf{n}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the following.

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} -\tan(\lambda)(1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)) \\ \tan(\lambda)(c_1(s - s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s - s_0)) \end{array} \right).$$

This shows that the map germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the following, where  $\tilde{\beta}_i$  is a certain  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \tilde{\beta}_i}{ds^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k + i + 1$ ).

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \mp \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+2} + \tilde{\beta}_1(s - s_0) \\ \pm \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)c_1(s - s_0)^{2k+3} + \tilde{\beta}_{k+2}(s - s_0) \end{array} \right).$$

**Lemma 4.1 (theorem 3.3 in [5])** *Let  $f : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be a  $C^\infty$  function-germ. Suppose that  $f(0) = f'(0) = \dots = f^{(k-1)}(0) = 0$  and  $f^{(k)}(0) \neq 0$ . Then there exists a germ of  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism  $h : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $f(h(s)) = \pm s^k$ , where we have  $+$  or  $-$  according as  $f^{(k)}(0)$  is  $> 0$  or  $< 0$ .*

Since

$$\mp \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0) \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^j \tilde{\beta}_1}{ds^j}(0) = 0 \quad (j \leq k + 2),$$

by using lemma 4.1 and by composing appropriate scales and reflections along coordinate axes of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  if necessary, we see that  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the following form:

$$(\sigma^{k+2}, \sigma^{2k+3} + \gamma_{k+2}(\sigma)),$$

where  $\gamma_{k+2}$  is a  $C^\infty$  function-germ  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \gamma_{k+2}}{d\sigma^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq 2k + 3$ ).

To finish the proof of 3 of theorem 2, it is sufficient to show that

$$h_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2 + \gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}))$$

is a germ of  $C^1$  diffeomorphism. Here, note that  $2k + 3$  is odd. Thus,  $x_2 \mapsto x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}$  is well-defined and continuous even at  $x_2 = 0$ .

By Hadamard's lemma (lemma 3.4 of [5]), there exists a  $C^\infty$  function-germ  $\tilde{\gamma}_{k+2} : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\gamma_{k+2}(\sigma) = \sigma^{2k+4} \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}(\sigma)$ . Thus, we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d\gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{dx_2}(x_2) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\gamma_{k+2}((x_2 + h)^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}) - \gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x_2 + h)^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+3}} \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}((x_2 + h)^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}) - x_2^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+3}} \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x_2 + h)^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+3}} - x_2^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+3}}}{h} \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}((x_2 + h)^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}) \\
&\quad + x_2^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+3}} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}((x_2 + h)^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}) - \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{h} \\
&= \frac{2k+4}{2k+3} x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}} \tilde{\gamma}_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}) + \frac{1}{2k+3} x_2^{\frac{2}{2k+3}} \tilde{\gamma}'_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $x_2 \mapsto \frac{d\gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{dx_2}(x_2)$  is well-defined and continuous even at  $x_2 = 0$ .

Since we see  $\frac{d\gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}})}{dx_2}(0) = 0$ , the Jacobian matrix of  $h_2$  at  $(0, 0)$  is the unit matrix and therefore  $h_2$  is a germ of  $C^1$  diffeomorphism.  $\square$

## 5 Proof of 2 of theorem 2

For the proof of 2 of theorem 2, we use similar arguments as in §4. We assume that  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ . By a suitable rotation of  $S^2$ , we may assume that  $\mathbf{n}(s_0) = (1, 0, 0)$ . Furthermore, in the case of 2 of theorem 2,  $\mathbf{r}(s_0) = (0, a, b)$  and  $\mathbf{t}(s_0) = (0, -b, a)$  ( $a, b \in \mathbf{R}, a^2 + b^2 = 1, a \neq 0$ ). From lemma 2.3, we may put the map germ  $\mathbf{n} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, \mathbf{n}(s_0))$  as follows.

$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0) \\ -b\gamma(s) + a\delta(s) \\ a\gamma(s) + b\delta(s) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma(s) &= -\frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s - s_0) \\
\delta(s) &= \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+2} + \beta_3(s - s_0)
\end{aligned}$$

and  $\alpha_2, \beta_i$  are certain  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \alpha_i}{ds^j}(0) = \frac{d^j \beta_i}{ds^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k + i - 1$ ). Thus, we have that

$$\varphi_{P,1}(\pi(\mathbf{n}(s))) = \begin{pmatrix} -\tan(\lambda)(1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)) \\ -\frac{b\gamma(s) + a\delta(s)}{1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\sin(\lambda) = a\gamma(s) + b\delta(s)$ . Note that since  $a \neq 0$ , the third component of  $\mathbf{n}(s)$  have the non-vanishing term of order  $k + 1$ .

**Lemma 5.1** *Let  $h_1 : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be the linear isomorphism given by  $h_1(u_1, u_2) = (u_1, u_2 + \frac{b}{a}u_1)$  and  $h_2 : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be the  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism given by  $h_2(U_1, U_2) = (U_1, U_2 + \frac{b}{a}U_1^2)$ . Then,*

$$q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1} \circ h_1(u_1, u_2) = h_2 \circ q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1}(u_1, u_2).$$

A straight forward calculation gives the proof of lemma 5.1.

By using lemma 5.1 we see that for  $u_1 = -\tan(\lambda)(1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0))$  and  $u_2 = -\frac{b\gamma(s) + a\delta(s)}{1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)}$

$$q \circ \tilde{\Psi}_P \circ \varphi_{P,1}^{-1} \circ h_1(u_1, u_2) \tag{7}$$

is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  near  $s_0$ . On the other hand, by using Taylor expansions we see that for  $u_1 = -\tan(\lambda)(1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0))$  and  $u_2 = -\frac{b\gamma(s) + a\delta(s)}{1 - \alpha_2(s - s_0)}$  (7) may be put as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{k+1} + \tilde{\beta}_0(s - s_0) \\ -a^2 \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0) \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s - s_0)^{2k+3} + \tilde{\beta}_{k+2}(s - s_0) \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\tilde{\beta}_i$  is a certain  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \tilde{\beta}_i}{ds^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k + i + 1$ ).

By using lemma 4.1 and by composing appropriate scales and reflections along coordinate axes of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  if necessary, we see that  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the following form:

$$(\sigma^{k+1}, \sigma^{2k+3} + \gamma_{k+2}(\sigma)),$$

where  $\gamma_{k+2}$  is a  $C^\infty$  function-germ  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \gamma_{k+2}}{d\sigma^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq 2k + 3$ ).

To finish the proof of 2 of theorem 2, it is sufficient to show that

$$h_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2 + \gamma_{k+2}(x_2^{\frac{1}{2k+3}}))$$

is a germ of  $C^1$  diffeomorphism, but it has been already proved in §4. □

## 6 Proof of 1 of theorem 2

By the assumption of 1 of theorem 2, we see that  $P \cdot \mathbf{n}(s_0) \neq 0$ . We assume that  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ . From lemma 2.3, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{n}(s) \cdot \mathbf{t}(s_0) &= -\frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s-s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s-s_0), \\ \mathbf{n}(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}(s_0) &= \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s-s_0)^{k+2} + \beta_3(s-s_0), \\ \mathbf{n}(s) \cdot \mathbf{n}(s_0) &= 1 - \alpha_2(s-s_0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha_2, \beta_i$  are certain  $C^\infty$  function-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \alpha_i}{ds^j}(0) = \frac{d^j \beta_i}{ds^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k+i-1$ ). Thus, we see that the map-germ  $\mathbf{n} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, \mathbf{n}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ of the following form:

$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{(k+1)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s-s_0)^{k+1} + \beta_2(s-s_0) \\ \frac{k}{(k+2)!} \kappa_g^{(k)}(s_0)(s-s_0)^{k+2} + \beta_3(s-s_0) \\ 1 - \alpha_2(s-s_0) \end{pmatrix}.$$

By using lemma 4.1 and by composing appropriate scales and reflections along coordinate axes of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  if necessary, we see that  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the following form:

$$(\sigma^{k+1} + \gamma_{-1}(\sigma), \sigma^{k+2} + \gamma_0(\sigma)),$$

where  $\gamma_i$  is a  $C^\infty$  function-germ  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, 0)$  such that  $\frac{d^j \gamma_i}{d\sigma^j}(0) = 0$  ( $j \leq k+i+2$ ).

If  $k+1$  is odd, we consider

$$h_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + \gamma_{-1}(x_1^{\frac{1}{k+1}}), x_2 + \gamma_0(x_1^{\frac{1}{k+1}})).$$

If  $k+2$  is odd, we consider

$$h_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + \gamma_{-1}(x_2^{\frac{1}{k+2}}), x_2 + \gamma_0(x_2^{\frac{1}{k+2}})).$$

In each case,  $x_l \mapsto x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}}$  is well-defined and continuous at  $x_l = 0$ , where  $l = 1$  (resp. 2) if  $k$  is even (resp. odd).

By using the same notation  $\tilde{\gamma}_i$  as in §4, we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d\gamma_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{dx_l} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\gamma_i((x_l + h)^{\frac{1}{k+l}}) - \gamma_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x_l + h)^{\frac{k+i+3}{k+l}} \tilde{\gamma}_i((x_l + h)^{\frac{1}{k+l}}) - x_l^{\frac{k+i+3}{k+l}} \tilde{\gamma}_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x_l + h)^{\frac{k+i+3}{k+l}} - x_l^{\frac{k+i+3}{k+l}}}{h} \tilde{\gamma}_i((x_l + h)^{\frac{1}{k+l}}) \\
&\quad + x_l^{\frac{k+i+3}{k+l}} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tilde{\gamma}_i((x_l + h)^{\frac{1}{k+l}}) - \tilde{\gamma}_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{h} \\
&= \frac{k+i+3}{k+l} x_l^{\frac{i-l+3}{k+l}} \tilde{\gamma}_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}}) + \frac{1}{k+l} x_l^{\frac{i-l+4}{k+l}} \tilde{\gamma}_i'(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}}).
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $i \geq -1$  and  $l \leq 2$ , we have that  $i - l + 4 > i - l + 3 \geq 0$ . Thus,  $x_l \mapsto \frac{d\gamma_i(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{dx_l}(x_l)$  is well-defined and continuous even at  $x_l = 0$ . Furthermore, we have  $\frac{d\gamma_{-1}(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{dx_l}(0) = 0$  for  $l = 1$  and  $\frac{d\gamma_0(x_l^{\frac{1}{k+l}})}{dx_l}(0) = 0$  for  $l = 2$ . Therefore the Jacobian matrix of  $h_2$  at  $(0, 0)$  is a triangular matrix whose diagonal elements are 1, and thus  $h_2$  is a germ of  $C^1$  diffeomorphism and therefore the map-germ  $Pe_{r,P}$  is  $C^1$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^{k+1}, \sigma^{k+2})$ .  $\square$

## 7 Remark on $C^1$ right-left equivalence in theorem 2

It is natural to expect that  $C^1$  right-left equivalence in theorem 2 is improvable to  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalence. However, by the following reason, it seems to be almost impossible to do so in general.

Let  $i_1, i_2$  ( $i_1 < i_2$ ) be positive integers. Let  $\mathcal{S}(i_1, i_2)$  be the set consists of all  $C^\infty$  map-germs  $(\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^2, (0, 0))$  which are  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to  $s \mapsto (s^{i_1} + \text{higher}, s^{i_2} + \text{higher})$ . Then, for any  $(i_1, i_2)$  with  $i_1 < i_2$  the set  $\mathcal{S}(i_1, i_2)$  is contained in a single  $\mathcal{K}$ -orbit in the sense of Mather ([9]). On the other hand, the codimension of the  $\mathcal{A}$ -orbit of the map-germ  $s \mapsto (s^{i_1}, s^{i_2})$  in  $\mathcal{S}(i_1, i_2)$  is positive for any  $(i_1, i_2)$  in the following.

1.  $\mathcal{S}(k+1, k+2)$  ( $k \geq 3$ ). These sets correspond to 1 of theorem 2. In the case that  $1 \leq k \leq 2$ , for each  $k$  the set  $\mathcal{S}(k+1, k+2)$  coincides exceptionnally with a single  $\mathcal{A}$ -orbit.

2.  $\mathcal{S}(k+1, 2k+3)$  ( $k \geq 2$ ). These sets correspond to 2 of theorem 2. In the case that  $k = 1$ , the set  $\mathcal{S}(2, 5)$  coincides exceptionally with a single  $\mathcal{A}$ -orbit.
3.  $\mathcal{S}(k+2, 2k+3)$  ( $k \geq 2$ ). These sets correspond to 3 of theorem 2. In the case that  $k = 1$ , the set  $\mathcal{S}(3, 5)$  coincides exceptionally with a single  $\mathcal{A}$ -orbit.

However, by the above exceptional cases we can see that there are several cases which we can improve  $C^1$  right-left equivalence to  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalence.

**Theorem 3** *Let  $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^2$  be a spherical unit speed curve. Let  $s_0 \in I$  such that  $\kappa_g(s_0) = 0, \kappa'_g(s_0) \neq 0$  and  $P$  be a point of  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\}$ . Then the following hold.*

1. *If  $P \in S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\} - C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^2, \sigma^3)$ .*
2. *If  $P \in C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)} - \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^2$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^2, \sigma^5)$ .*
3. *If  $P \in \{\pm \mathbf{r}(s_0)\}$ , then the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^3, \sigma^5)$ .*

**Theorem 4** *Let  $\mathbf{r} : I \rightarrow S^2$  be a spherical unit speed curve. Let  $s_0 \in I$  such that  $\kappa_g(s_0) = \kappa'_g(s_0) = 0, \kappa''_g(s_0) \neq 0$  and  $P$  be a point of  $S^2 - \{\pm \mathbf{n}(s_0)\} - C_{\mathbf{n}(s_0)}$ . Then, the map-germ  $Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow (S^2, Pe_{\mathbf{r},P}(s_0))$  is  $C^\infty$  right-left equivalent to the map-germ given by  $\sigma \mapsto (\sigma^3, \sigma^4)$ .*

By combining theorems 1, 3 and 4 and observation of classification of  $\mathcal{A}$ -simple singularities of plane curves ([2], [4], [6]), we see that we can define the “genericity” of point pairs  $(\mathbf{r}(s_0), P)$  precisely so that the set

$$\{\mathcal{A}\text{-equivalence class of } Pe_{\mathbf{r},P} : (I, s_0) \rightarrow S^2, (\mathbf{r}(s_0), P) \text{ is generic}\}$$

is equal to the set of all  $\mathcal{A}$ -equivalence classes of  $\mathcal{A}$ -simple map germs  $f : (\mathbf{R}, 0) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  such that  $T\mathcal{A}(f) = T\mathcal{K}(f)$ .



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