

General principle:  $\phi_s, w_s$   $\left( \frac{\phi(s, x)}{w(s, x)} \right)$  - one parameter deformation of  $\Omega$  &  $u$

Assume  $I(u) = \int_{\Omega} L(\nabla u, u, x) dx$  is on  $\mathcal{A}$  - some collection of functions

$\phi$  - a family of diffeomorphism defined in a neighborhood of  $\Omega$

$\phi_0 = \text{id}$

$V = \frac{d\phi_s}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}$  - the vector fields generated the motion

$w \in \mathcal{A}$  - a family of functions  $w_s(x) = u(x)$ .

We say  $I(u)$  is invariant under  $\phi_s, w_s$  if  $= I(u, \Omega_s)$

$$\int_{\Omega'_s} L(\underline{Dw}, \underline{w}, x) dx = \int_{\Omega} L(Du, u, x) dx$$

$\Rightarrow I(w_s, \Omega_s) \quad \phi_s(\Omega'_s) \doteq \Omega'_s \quad \forall \Omega'_s \subset \Omega$

$m(x) = \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} \Big|_{s=0}$  -  $m$  called a multiplier

Theorem: For invariant  $I$  (w.r.t  $\phi, w$ )

$$(1) \sum_{i=1}^n \left( m \underbrace{L_{p_i}(Du, u, x)}_{\text{multiplier}} - L(Du, u, x) v^i \right)_{x_i}$$

$$= m \left( \sum \left( L_{p_i}(Du, u, x) \right)_{x_i} - L_z(Du, u, x) \right)$$

(2) If  $u$  satisfies the  $\mathcal{E}$ -L  $\neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{div} \left( \underbrace{m L_p - L \cdot v}_{\text{X}} \right) = 0$$

This is the theorem of Noether! — which implies many Conservation laws

⇒ Noether type conservation laws hidden more subtly for, e.g. harmonic maps. — stress-energy tensor

We discuss them if there are time left.

At beginning we do not worry about the smoothness

pf = Taking  $\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Big|_{s=0}$   $I(w) = \int_{\Omega'} L(Dw_s, w_s, x)$

LHS =  $\int_{\Omega'} L_{p_i} m_{x_i} + L_z m = \int_{\Omega'} (-\text{div}(L_p) + L_z) m + \int_{\partial\Omega'} m \langle L_p, \nu \rangle$

$\frac{d}{ds} w_{x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial s} w_s \right)$

RHS =  $\int_{\partial\Omega'} L \langle \vec{V}_s, \nu \rangle$

⇒  $\int_{\Omega'} (-\text{div}(L_p) + L_z) \cdot m = \int_{\Omega'} L \langle \vec{V}_s, \nu \rangle - \int_{\partial\Omega'} m \langle L_p, \nu \rangle$

$\langle L \vec{V}_s - m \vec{L}_p, \nu \rangle$

$= \int_{\Omega'} \text{div}(-m \vec{L}_p + L \vec{V}_s)$

□

If  $u$  is vector valued, the same result holds

LHS =  $\frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \int_{\Omega'} L(D\vec{w}_s, \vec{w}_s, x) dx = \int_{\Omega'} L_{p_j^i} m_{x_j}^i + L_z m^i$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \left[ (-L_{p_j^i}) x_j + L_{z^i} \right] m^i + \int_{\partial\Omega'} L_{p_j^i} m^i v_j$$

$$\text{RHS} = \int_{\partial\Omega'} L \langle v, v \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ (-L_{p_j^i}) x_j + L_{z^i} \right] m^i = \text{div} \left( \underbrace{-\sum_i L_{p_j^i} m^i}_{\neq 0} + \nabla L \right)$$

For Euler Lagrange solution  $u$

$$\text{div} \left( \underbrace{-L_{p_j^i} m^i}_{\substack{\text{a vector} \\ \vec{w}}} + \nabla L \right) = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$w^k = -L_{p_k^i} m^i$$

Namely (\*) is

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \left( -L_{p_k^i} m^i + L_{z^k} \right) = 0$$

Applications: A — motions of particles

Motion of one particle

$$I(\vec{x}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \tilde{m} |\dot{\vec{x}}|^2}_{\substack{\text{mass} \\ \text{kinetic energy}}} - \underbrace{U(\vec{x})}_{\text{potential energy}} \right)$$

$$L(p, z) = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{m} |p|^2 - U(z)$$

$$L_p = \tilde{m} p$$



Similarly  $P_y = \tilde{m} \dot{y}$ ,  $P_z = \tilde{m} \dot{z}$  preserved.

For  $k$ -particles

$$P_x = \sum \tilde{m}_i \dot{x}_i$$

$$P_y = \sum \tilde{m}_i \dot{y}_i$$

$$P_z = \sum \tilde{m}_i \dot{z}_i$$

Back to 1-particle case

$$w_s \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos s x + \sin s y \\ -\sin s x + \cos s y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V = 0$$

$\frac{\tilde{m}}{2} |\dot{\vec{x}}|^2$  is preserved.

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{p} \cdot \vec{m}$$

$\Rightarrow$  (\*) Implies  $\frac{\tilde{m}}{2} (\dot{x} y - \dot{y} x)$  is constant

This is the angular momentum in the direction of  $z$

Namely all classical conservation laws follows from (for motions of particles)

Noether's theorem.

Multi-variables: (1) motion of a string

$$I_1(u) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - u_x^2)$$

(B) waves

(2) motion of a membrane

$$I_2(u) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_D \frac{1}{2} [u_t^2 - u_x^2 - u_y^2]$$

(3) Klein-Gordon

— Scalar field corresponding to uncharged particle of mass  $M$ .

$$I_3(u) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - u_x^2 - u_y^2 - u_z^2 - M^2 u^2)$$

$$\delta I_1 = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{x_0}^{x_1} (u_t \eta_t - u_x \eta_x) = 0 \quad \forall \eta = 0 \text{ on the boundary}$$

$$= - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \eta (u_{tt} - u_{xxx}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \boxed{u_{tt} - u_{xxx} = 0}$$

1-dim wave equation

$$\delta I_3 = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \int_{y_0}^{y_1} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} [u_{tt} - (\Delta u) + M^2 u] \eta = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{u_{tt} - (\Delta u) + M^2 u = 0}$$

Klein-Gordon eq.  $u_{xx}^2(t+s, x, y)$

Let's consider  $I_2$   $I_3$

$$L_2(p) = \frac{1}{2} (|p_0|^2 - |p_1|^2 - |p_2|^2)$$

$$RHS = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - u_x^2 - u_y^2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} u_t^2(t+s, x, y)$$

$$\phi(s, t) = t+s, \quad \phi(s, x) = x, \quad \phi(s, y) = y \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w(s, (t, x, y)) = u(t+s, x, y) \quad m = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

$$LHS = \int_{t_0+s}^{t_1+s} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} L(p, u, x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{div} \left( u_t L_{p_i} - L \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \operatorname{div} \left( \begin{pmatrix} u_t p_0 - L \\ -u_t p_1 \\ u_t p_2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\operatorname{div} \left( \begin{array}{l} u_t u_t - \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - u_x^2 - u_y^2) \\ - u_t u_x \\ - u_t u_y \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 + u_x^2 + u_y^2) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e_t + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-u_t u_x)$$

$$e_t = \operatorname{div} \begin{pmatrix} u_t u_x \\ u_t u_y \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-u_t u_y) = 0$$

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\Omega \subset \text{in } xy\text{-plane}} \left( \frac{d}{dt}(e) - \operatorname{div}^{(s)}(u_t \nabla^{(s)} u) \right) \quad \nabla^{(s)} u = \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} e$  is preserved — Namely the total energy  
 $= \int_{\Omega} e_t = \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}^{(s)}(t) = 0$  is preserved.

If  $\phi(s, t) = t$      $\phi(s, x) = x+s$      $\phi(s, y) = y$

$$w(s, (t, x, y)) = u(t, x+s, y)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \left( L_p \cdot m - L u \right) = 0$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_t \\ -u_x \\ -u_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad m = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{div} \begin{pmatrix} u_x u_t \\ -u_x^2 - L \\ -u_x u_y \end{pmatrix} = \operatorname{div} \begin{pmatrix} u_x u_t \\ -\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_x^2 + \frac{1}{2} u_y^2 \\ -u_x u_y \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

If we assume  $u$  decay fast

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\tilde{\Omega}} u_x u_t \text{ is preserved!}$$

$$\left( \int_{\Omega} u_x u_t + \int_{\Omega} u_y u_t \right) = \text{momentum vector}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (u_x u_t)_t + \left( -\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_x^2 + \frac{1}{2} u_y^2 \right)_x \\ & + (-u_x u_y)_y = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\int_{\Omega} u_y u_t$$

is —

$$\text{only in space}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}^{(s)} \left( - \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_x^2 + \frac{1}{2} u_y^2 \\ -u_x u_y \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\int_{\Omega} u_{xt} u_t + u_x (u_{xx} + u_{yy})$$

Notice

$$\int_{\Omega} (u_x u_t)_t = \int_{\Omega} P_x$$

This helps to solve HW # 19

(Evans did NOT even define what are  $P_k \vec{j}_k$ )

K-G We can have similar discussion.

© Nonlinear Wave & A Conformal transform.

$$I(u) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} u_t^2 - \left( \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + F(u) \right)$$

$$f(z) = F'(z)$$

Euler-Lagrange:

(NLW)  $u_{tt} - \Delta u + f(u) = 0$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} |p_0|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |p|^2 - F(z)$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(s, t) &= t+s \\ \phi(s, x) &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W(s, (t, x)) = u(t+s, x)$$

$$m = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

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⇒

$$\text{div} \left( \begin{array}{c} L_{p_0} u_t - L \\ \boxed{L_{p_k} u_t} \end{array} \right) = 0 \quad \text{div}(L_p m - L v) \quad L_{p_0} = u_t$$

$$L_{p_0} u_t - L = |u_t|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |u_t|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + F(u)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (|u_t|^2 + |\nabla u|^2) + F(u) = e$$

Energy for NLW

$$\int_{\Omega} e \quad \text{is preserved,}$$

since

$$\int_{\Omega} e_t = \int_{\Omega} u_t u_{tt} + u_{x_i} u_{x_i t} + f(u) u_t - \int_{\Omega} \text{div}^{(s)} (\boxed{L_{p_k} u_t})$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \text{div}^{(s)} (L_{p_k} u_t) = - \begin{pmatrix} u_{x_1} u_t \\ \vdots \\ u_{x_n} u_t \end{pmatrix} = - [u_{x_i x_i} u_t + \underline{u_{x_i} u_{x_i}}]$$

For the wave equation

$$I(u) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2)$$

$$L(p, z) = \frac{1}{2} (p_0^2 - p_1^2 - \dots - p_n^2)$$

$$\phi(s, (t, x)) = (e^s t, e^s x)$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w(s, (t, x)) = e^{\frac{n-1}{2}s} u(e^s t, e^s x)$$

$$m = t u_t + \langle x, \nabla u \rangle + \frac{n-1}{2} u$$

$$\Rightarrow I(u) = \int_{e^{s_0} t_0}^{e^s t_1} \int_{\Omega(s)} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2) dx dt$$

||  $e^s \Omega$  ||  $(e^s t, e^s x)$

Then (\*)  $\Rightarrow \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2) dx dt = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\Omega} e^{(n-1)s} e^{2s} \frac{1}{2} [u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2] dx dt$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{div}}} (L_p \cdot m - LV) \quad L_p = \begin{pmatrix} u_t \\ -u_{x_1} \\ \vdots \\ -u_{x_n} \end{pmatrix} \cdot m$$

$$= (u_t m - L t) \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1} + \text{div}^{(s)} \left( m L_{p,x} - \frac{L \cdot x}{2} \right)$$

$$\left[ u_t (t u_t + \langle x, \nabla u \rangle + \frac{n-1}{2} u) - \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2) t \right]_{t_0}^{t_1} - m \nabla u - \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2) x$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{2} (u_t)^2 t + u_t \langle x, \nabla u \rangle + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 t + \frac{n-1}{2} u \right]_{t_0}^{t_1} - \text{div}^{(s)} \left( m \nabla u + \frac{1}{2} (u_t^2 - |\nabla u|^2) x \right)$$

$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} P$  is preserved.

Not sure the geometric meaning of P

• The Semi-linear Elliptic PDE

For  $I(u) = \int \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 - F(u)$

$F(u) = \frac{1}{p+1} |u|^{p+1}$

Non existence result ch 9.4  $\Omega$  in the last Lecture one can perform

$-\Delta u = |u|^{p-1} u$

$$\begin{cases} \phi(s, x) = e^{\beta s} x \\ \omega(s, x) = e^{\alpha s} u(e^{\beta s} x) \end{cases}$$

$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s} \Big|_{s=0} \rightarrow \underline{V = \beta x}$

$m = \underline{\alpha u + \beta \langle \nabla u, x \rangle}$

to have the condition of Theorem

→ Invariance of  $I$

$$\begin{cases} 2\alpha + 2\beta = (p+1)\alpha \\ (p+1)\alpha = \beta^n \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} 2\beta = (p-1)\alpha \\ n\beta = (p+1)\alpha \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow P = \frac{n+2}{n-2}$  - the critical power

$L_{p,m} = L.V$

$L = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 - 4)$   
 $L_p = p$

This  $m$  suggests  $\langle \nabla u, x \rangle$  - factor in the discussion of last week.

$$\text{div} \left[ \underbrace{(\alpha u + \beta \langle \nabla u, x \rangle)}_m \nabla u - \beta \left( \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 - \frac{1}{p+1} |u|^{p+1} \right) x \right] = 0$$

$\langle \nabla u, x \rangle \Delta u$  is one of them

$$\text{div} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} |u|^{p+1} x \right) = \frac{1}{p+1} |u|^{p+1} n + \underbrace{\frac{|u|^{p-1} u \langle \nabla u, x \rangle}{p+1}}_{\text{another one}}$$

① Monotonicity formulae

Ex 1.  $I(u) = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^p dx$   
 $\uparrow$   
 p-harmonic functions

$$\phi(s, x) = e^s x$$

$$V = x$$

$$w(s, x) = e^{\frac{n-p}{p}s} u(e^s x)$$

$$m = \frac{n-p}{p} u + \langle \nabla u, x \rangle$$

$$|\nabla w|^p = e^{(n-p)s} e^{ps} |\nabla u|^p(e^s x)$$

$$L = |\nabla u|^p$$

vector

$$\Rightarrow I(w) = \int_{\Omega} e^{ns} |\nabla u|^p(e^s x) dx$$

$$L_p = p |\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u$$

Noether's theorem  $= \int_{\Omega^s} |\nabla u|^p(y) dy = I_{\Omega^s}(u)$

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|p| = \sqrt{p_1^2 + \dots + p_n^2}$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u) = 0$$

$$0 = \operatorname{div} \left[ L_p m - L v \right] = \operatorname{div} \left[ \underbrace{p |\nabla u|^{p-2}}_{(1)} \underbrace{\nabla u}_{(2)} \left( \frac{n-p}{p} u + \langle \nabla u, x \rangle \right) - \underbrace{|\nabla u|^p x}_{(3)} \right]$$

Since p-harmonic  $\Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u) = 0$$

$$\operatorname{div} \left( (n-p) |\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u \cdot u \right)$$

$$\operatorname{div}(X \cdot u)$$

$$(n-p) \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u \cdot u) = \frac{(n-p) |\nabla u|^p}{p} = \operatorname{div}(X \cdot u) = \operatorname{div}(X) \cdot u + \langle X, \nabla u \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} (n-p) |\nabla u|^p + \int_{\partial \Omega} \underbrace{p |\nabla u|^{p-2} \langle \nabla u, x \rangle \langle \nabla u, \nu \rangle}_{\parallel \nabla u \parallel^2} - \underbrace{|\nabla u|^p \langle x, \nu \rangle}_{=0}$$

For  $\Omega = B(0, r)$

$$\boxed{x = \nu r} \text{ on } \partial B(0, r)$$

$$r = |x|$$

$(n=p)$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \int_{B(0, r)} |\nabla u|^p = \int_{\partial B(0, r)} |\nabla u|^p = p r \int_{\partial B(0, r)} |\nabla u|^{p-2} \langle \nabla u, \nu \rangle^2$$

$$G(r) = \int_{B(o, r)} |\nabla u|^p$$

$$G'(r) = \int_{\partial B(o, r)} |\nabla u|^p$$

$$(n-p)G(r) = rG'(r)$$

$$-Pr \int_{\partial B(o, r)} \frac{|\nabla u|^p u_r}{r^2} \geq 0$$

$$Pr \int_{\partial B(o, r)} |\nabla u|^{p-2} u_r^2 = rG'(r) - (n-p)G(r)$$

$$Pr^{-n+p} \int_{\partial B(o, r)} |\nabla u|^{p-2} u_r^2 = r^{-(n-p)} G'(r) - (n-p)r^{-(n-p-1)} G(r)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dr} (r^{-(n-p)} G(r)) \geq 0$$

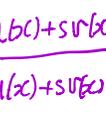
$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^{-(n-p)} \int_{B(o,r)} |\nabla u|^p \right) = \dots p r^{-(n-p)} \int_{\partial B(o,r)} |\nabla u|^{p-2} (u_r)^2 > 0$$

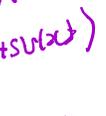
Namely

$$J(r) = \frac{\int_{B(o,r)} |\nabla u|^p}{r^{n-p}} \text{ is monotone non-decreasing.}$$

It holds for harmonic maps, But if  $u: \Omega \rightarrow M \subset \mathbb{R}^K$  it is a variational problem with constraint. It's proof needs a new ingredient.

(E) Stress-energy tensor

Let  $u \in H^1(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^K)$   $u(x) \in M$   $v(x) \in C_c^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^K)$   
 be a critical point of  $I(u) = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2$    
 $u_s(x) \in M$  

We define  $S_{ij} = \left( |\nabla u|^2 \delta_{ij} - 2 \partial_i u \partial_j u \right)$    
 Stress-energy tensor 

Theorem: If  $u$  is a critical point w.r.t "variations of the domain" then  $\text{div}(S) = 0$ .  
 Different from Noether's theorem which asserts  $\text{div}(X) = 0$  for some vector

Pf. Weakly it means  $\operatorname{div}(S) = 0$

$$\frac{\partial S_{ij}}{\partial x^i} = 0 \quad \forall i, j \leq n$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \left( |\nabla u|^2 \delta_{ij} - 2 \nabla_i u \nabla_j u \right) \nabla_i \xi^j = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\forall \xi = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi^n \end{pmatrix} \in C_c^\infty(\Omega), \quad S = |\nabla u|^2 \operatorname{id} - 2 \nabla u \cdot (\nabla u)^{\operatorname{tr}}$$

Consider the variation

$$y(x) = x + s \xi(x) = \operatorname{id} + s \xi(x)$$

$\xi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n)$   
Not  $\mathbb{R}^k$

$$\left( \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial x^j} \right) = \operatorname{id} + s \left( \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^j} \right)$$

$\nabla y$

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $u: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$

$$J(\nabla y) = \det \left( \operatorname{id} + s \left( \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^j} \right) \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Big|_{s=0} J^{-1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left( e^{-\log J} \right) = -J^{-1} \operatorname{trace} \left( \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^j} \right)$$

$$= -J^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla_i \xi^i \right)$$

$\frac{d}{ds} \log J$

$$I(u_s) = \int \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u_s|^2$$

$$u_s(x) = u(x + s \xi(x))$$

$y: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$   
if  $s \ll 1$

$$\frac{\partial u_s}{\partial x^i} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y^j} \left( \delta_{ji} + s \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial x^i} \right) = \nabla u(x + s \xi(x)) + s \nabla u \cdot \nabla \xi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u_s|^2 = \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2(x+s\{x\}) + \boxed{s} \langle \underline{\nabla u} | \underline{\nabla u \cdot \nabla \{x\}} \rangle$$

$$\langle \nabla u, \nabla u \cdot \nabla \{x\} \rangle = \nabla_{x_i} u \nabla_{x_j} u \nabla_{x_i} \{x^j\} + \underline{\underline{O(s^2)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} I(u_s) = \int \left( \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2(x+s\{x\}) \right) + \int \nabla_i u \nabla_j u \nabla_i \{x^j\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  First term on RHS

$$= \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2(y) \left[ \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \left( \left| \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} \right| \right) \right] dy$$

determinant

$$= \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2(y) \left( - \sum \nabla_i \{x^i\} \right) J dy$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2(x) \left( - \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla_i \{x^i\} \right) dx$$

Putting together  $\Rightarrow$

$$0 = \int_{\Omega} \left[ 2 \nabla_i u \nabla_j u D_i \delta^{ij} - |\nabla u|^2 \delta_{ij} D_i \delta^{ij} \right]$$

Hence (\*).

The other advantage is that (\*) only requires  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^K)$  being a critical point. The regularity requirement is lower.

A good reference: Hélein :

Harmonic Maps, Conservation Laws, and Moving frames.

(\*) was proved for smooth maps by Baird-Zells (1981).

It follows from

$$u: \Omega \rightarrow M$$

$$du = \nabla u$$

$$S = \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \frac{1}{2} |du|^2 = \langle du(\cdot), du(\cdot) \rangle \quad \text{Tr. } (du)^{\otimes 2}$$

$$S_{ij} = \left[ \frac{1}{2} |du|^2 g_{ij} - \langle du(e_i), du(e_j) \rangle \right] e_i^* \otimes e_j^*$$

$\nabla_{e_j} du(e_j)$

$$\nabla_j S_{ij} = \frac{S_{ij} \langle \nabla_{e_i} du(e_i), du(e_i) \rangle - \langle \nabla_{e_i} du(e_i), du(e_i) \rangle}{e_j} \quad \text{if } u \text{ is harmonic}$$

$$\downarrow = \langle \nabla_{e_i} du(e_i), du(e_i) \rangle - \langle \nabla_{e_i} du(e_i), du(e_i) \rangle = 0.$$

Orthogonal form

Let  $\rho = \frac{x-x_0}{|x-x_0|}$  (\*)  $\Rightarrow$  The monotonicity formula for harmonic map from  $B(x_0, R)$