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Convex integration, Nash-Kuiper

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Example: Let  $f_0: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $t \mapsto (0,0,t)$

Problem. Find  $f: [0,1] \xrightarrow{C^1} \mathbb{R}^3$  so that

$$(i) \quad \forall t \in [0,1] \quad \left| \frac{f'(t) \cdot e_3}{\sqrt{|f'(t)|^2 + 1}} \right| < \varepsilon$$

$$\left( f = (f_1, f_2, f_3) \quad \frac{|f'_3(t)|}{(|f'(t)|^2 + 1)^{1/2}} < \varepsilon \right)$$

$$( \text{Direction cosine} < \varepsilon )$$

$$(ii) \quad \| f - f_0 \|_{C^0} \leq \delta \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \| f_1(t) - 0 \| &\leq \delta, \\ \| f_2(t) - 0 \| &\leq \delta, \\ \| f_3(t) - t \| &\leq \delta \end{aligned}$$

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  Slope of  $f_3$  is small, so how can

$f_3$  stay close to  $t$  (which is ii) ?

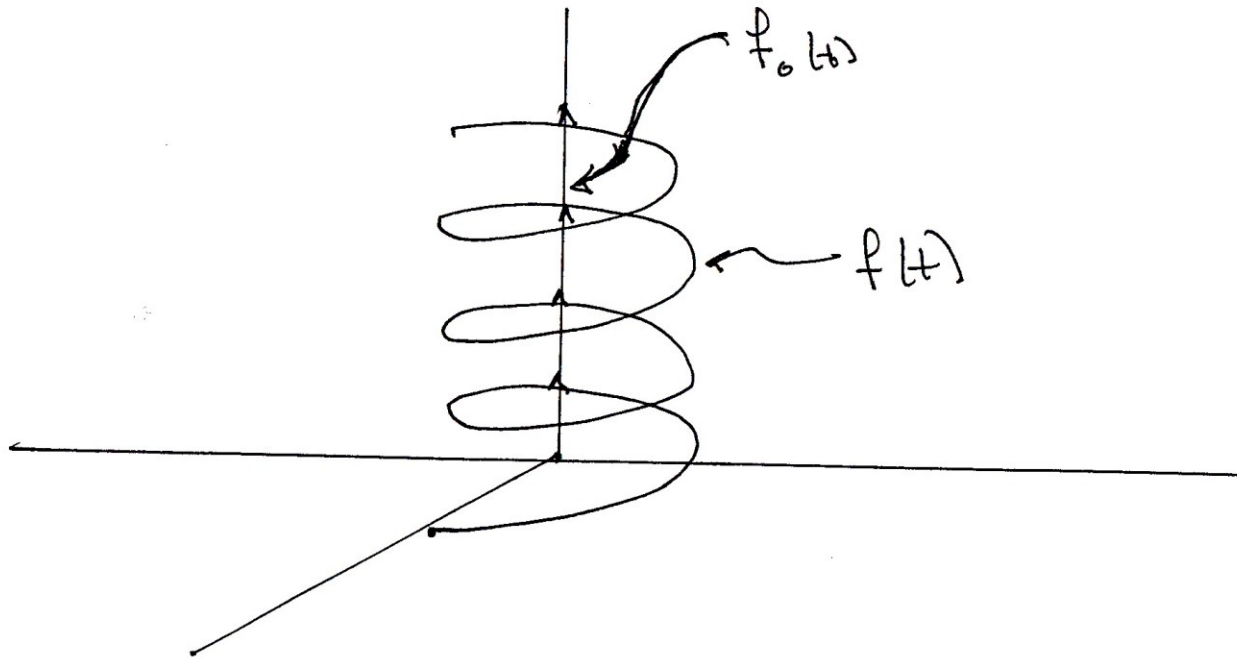
Try

$$f_1(t) = \delta \cos(2\pi Nt), \quad f_2(t) = \delta \sin(2\pi Nt)$$

$$f_3(t) = t$$

$N$  integer

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Introduce oscillations!

$$N = F/\delta$$

Check:

$$f_1'(t) = -2\pi\delta N \sin(2\pi Nt), \quad f_2'(t) = 2\pi\delta N \cos(2\pi Nt)$$


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$$f_3'(t) = 1$$


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$$|f'(t)|^2 = 1 + (2\pi\delta N)^2$$


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$$(i) \quad \frac{1}{(1 + (2\pi\delta N)^2)^{1/2}} < \varepsilon$$

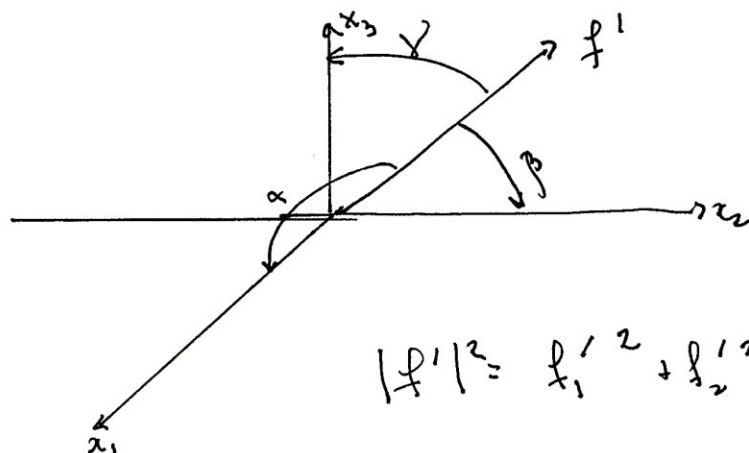
Choose  $N$  sufficiently large!

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$$(ii) \quad \begin{aligned} |\delta \cos(2\pi Nt)| &\leq \delta \\ |\delta \sin(2\pi Nt)| &\leq \delta \\ |f_2'(t) - 0| &= |1 - 1| = 0 < \delta \end{aligned}$$

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Introduce direction cosines and rephrase problem



$$|f'|^2 = f_1'^2 + f_2'^2 + f_3'^2 = r^2$$

$$f_1' = r \cos \alpha$$

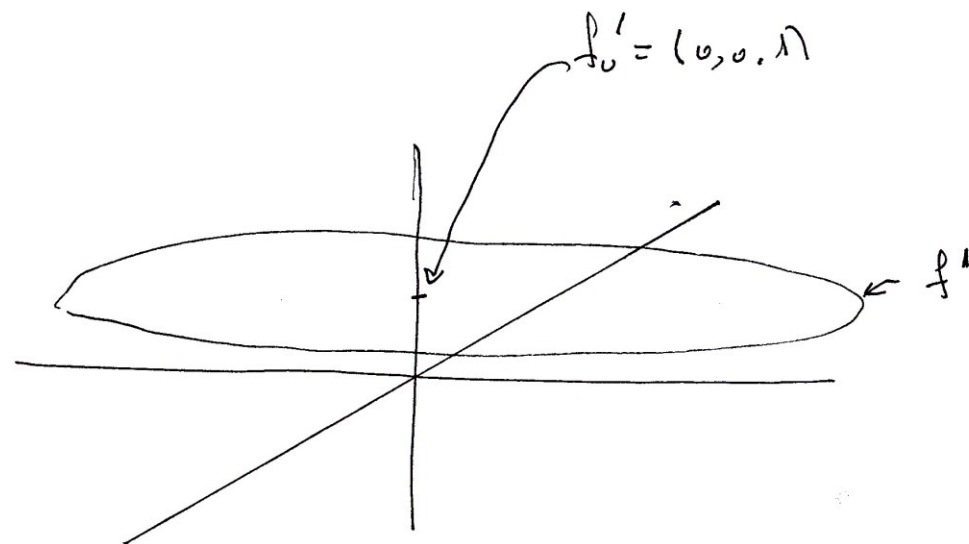
$$f_2' = r \cos \beta$$

$$f_3' = r \cos \gamma$$

(1) becomes  $|\cos \gamma| < \epsilon$

i.e.  $\gamma$  near  $\pi/2$

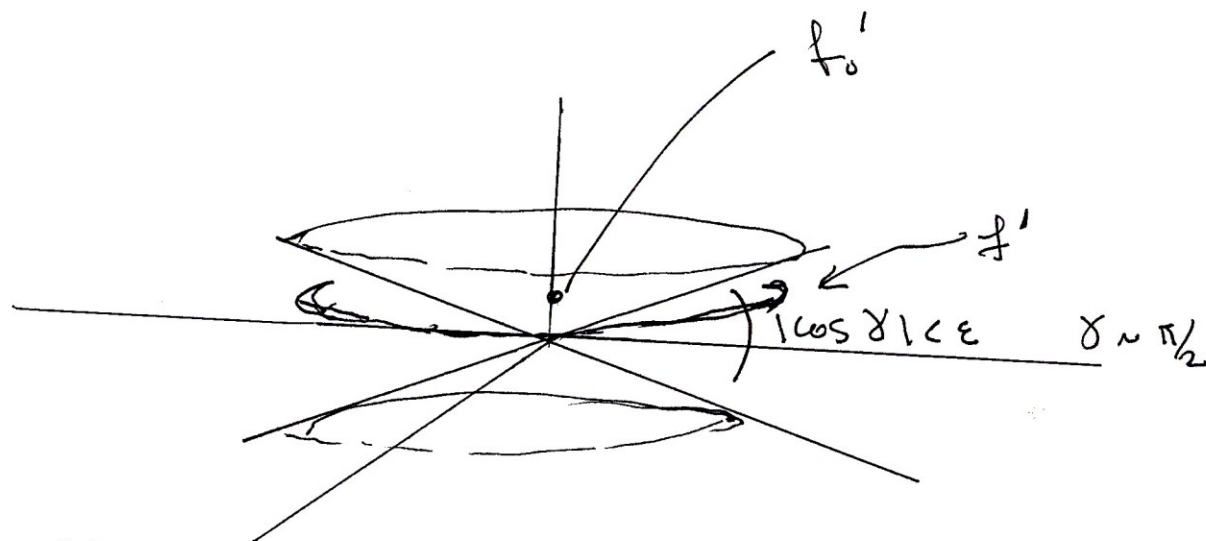
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$\mathcal{F}'$  is a circle with  $f'_0$  at its center



$\frac{\pi - \delta}{\delta}$



$f_1'$  lies in the region  $\mathcal{R}$   $|\cos \delta| \epsilon$   
 "cone" (or exterior cone)  
 $f_0'$  does not lie in  $\mathcal{R}$  but lies in  
 convex hull of  $\mathcal{R}$

This accounts for (i)

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To account for (u)

$$g'(t) = f'(t) - f'_0(t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2N} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2N} + \frac{1}{N}$$

$$f(t) - f_0(t) = f(0) - f_0(0) + \boxed{NR \int_0^{\frac{1}{2N}} g'(u) du}$$

+  $\int_{\frac{1}{2N}}^t g'(u) du$

$$f(t) - f_0(t) = \underbrace{f(0) - f_0(0)}_{\text{small}} + \underbrace{\int_{\frac{1}{2N}}^t g'(u) du}_{\text{small for } N \text{ large}}$$

where we used

$$f_0'(t) = N \int_{\frac{r}{N}}^{\frac{r}{N} + \frac{1}{N}} f'(u) du$$

$$I_r = \left[ \frac{r}{N}, \frac{r}{N} + \frac{1}{N} \right] \quad \text{length of } I_r = \frac{1}{N}$$

i. e.  $\left[ \begin{array}{c} f_0'(t) = \text{Average of } f'(t) \text{ over one loop.} \\ \text{(in convex hull of } R \text{)} \quad \text{(in } R \text{)} \end{array} \right]$

Hence the above identity is true for our  
example

It is the key for convex integration

# Fundamental lemma of convex integration.

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Let  $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an arc-wise connected subset,

$f_0 \in C^\infty(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$  be a map such that

$f_0'(I) \subset \text{Int Conv}(R)$ . Then there exists a

$C^\infty$  map  $h : I \times E/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$  such that

for all  $t \in I$

$$f_0'(t) = \int_0^1 h(t, u) du .$$

$\nearrow$   
in convex hull  $\uparrow$   
in  $R$

Set  $F(t) = f_0(t) + \int_0^t h(s, Ns) ds$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$  (pos integers)

We say  $F \in C^\infty(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is obtained from  $f_0$

by a convex integration process

$$F(t) = f_0(t) + \int_0^t h(s, Ns) ds$$

Note  $F$  depends on  $N$ .

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(i) satisfied

$$F'(t) = h(t, Nt) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Proposition

$$\|F - f_0\|_{C^0} \leq \frac{1}{N} \left( 2 \|h\|_{C^0} + \left\| \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \right\|_{C^0} \right)$$

Large  $N$  allows to make  $F$  close to  $f_0$   
in the space  $C^0$ .

(ii) satisfied

$$\|F - f_0\|_{C^0} \leq \delta$$

# Summary

Convex integration  $F(t) = f_0(0) + \int_0^t h(u, N(u)) du$   
resolves the problem

$\mathcal{R} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  path-wise connected subset

$f_0'(t) \in \text{Int Conv}(\mathcal{R})$

Find  $f : [0,1] \xrightarrow{C^k} \mathbb{R}^3$  so that

(i)  $\forall t \in [0,1], f'(t) \in \mathcal{R}$

(ii)  $\|f - f_0\|_{C^0} \leq \delta$

with  $\delta > 0$  given.

One small problem : If  $f_0(t)$  defines  
a closed curve  $f_0(0) = f_0(1)$ ,

$$F(t) = f_0(0) + \int_0^t h(s, N(s)) ds$$

does not necessarily define a closed curve  
 $F(0) = F(1)$ .

Problem rectified with

$$\boxed{\tilde{F}(t) = F(t) - t(F(1) - F(0))}$$

$$\tilde{F}(0) = F(0) = f_0(0)$$

$$\tilde{F}(1) = F(0) = f_0(0)$$

$$\tilde{F}(t) = F(t) - t(F(1) - F(0))$$


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Proposition :

$$\|\tilde{F} - f_0\|_{C^0} \leq \frac{2}{N} \left( 2 \|h\|_{C^0} + \left\| \frac{2h}{\partial t} \right\|_{C^0} \right)$$


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and

$$\tilde{F}'(E/\mathbb{Z}) \subset \mathbb{R}$$


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i.e. The new  $\tilde{F}$  satisfies (u), (u') and  
 $\tilde{F}(1) = \tilde{F}(0).$



Question: Can we use the Fundamental  
Lemma of Convex Integration to solve  
our original Example?

Answer: Yes and No

Yes, it gives a solution

No, it may not give the solution

$$f_1(t) = 8 \cos(2\pi Nt), \quad f_2(t) = 8 \sin(2\pi Nt), \\ f_3(t) = t;$$

## Nash-Kuiper Theorem for Curves

One dimensional isometric embedding problem

$f_0: [0,1] \xrightarrow{C^\infty} E^2$  be a given regular curve

$r: [0,1] \xrightarrow{C^\infty} E$  so that  $r(t) > \|f_0'(t)\|$ .

Build  $f: [0,1] \xrightarrow{C^\infty} E^2$  so that

i)  $\forall t \in [0,1], \|f'(t)\| = r(t)$

ii)  $\|f - f_0\|_{C^0} < \delta$  for given  $\delta$ .



# Fundamental lemma of convex integration:

It would resolve (ii) but not (i)

(i) is an additional constraint

So we will satisfy (i) by an explicit

construction of  $h$  that works.

# Constrained problem

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Find parametrized map  $h(t, \cdot): [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^2$   
in  $C^\infty$  so that

$$\int_0^1 h(t, u) du = f'_0(t)$$

and  $\forall t \in [0, 1], \forall u \in \mathbb{E}/\mathbb{Z}$

$$\|h(t, u)\| = r(t)$$

How does  $h$  solve our problem?

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Define  $f$  by convex integration process:

$$\forall t \in [0, 1] \quad f(t) = f_0(0) + \int_0^t h(s, \{N_s\}) ds$$

where  $\{N_s\}$  denotes fractional part of  $Ns$ .

(a) Clearly  $f'(t) = h(t, \{Nt\}) \Rightarrow$

$$\|f'(t)\| = r(t)$$

and (b)  $C^0$  density property (Since  $f$  defined by conv. integ)

$$\|f - f_0\|_{C^0} = O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) < \delta$$

for  $N$  large enough.

We want to solve

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$$\|h(t, u)\| = r(t)$$

$$\int_0^1 h(t, u) du = f_0'(t)$$

Try 
$$h(t, u) = r(t) e^{i\varphi(t, u)} \frac{f_0'(t)}{\|f_0'(t)\|}$$

$$\|h(t, u)\| = r(t)$$

$$\int_0^1 e^{i\varphi(t, u)} du \cdot \frac{r(t) f_0'(t)}{\|f_0'(t)\|} = f_0'(t)$$

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| $\int_0^1 e^{i\varphi(t, u)} du = \frac{\ f_0'(t)\ }{r(t)}$ |
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$$\int_0^1 e^{i\psi(t,u)} du = \frac{\|f_0'(t)\|}{r(t)}$$

Try  $\psi(t,u) = \alpha(t) \cos 2\pi u$

$$\int_0^1 e^{i\alpha(t) \cos 2\pi u} du =$$

$$\int_0^1 \cos(\alpha(t) \cos 2\pi u) du$$

$$+ i \int_0^1 \sin(\alpha(t) \cos 2\pi u) du$$

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0 by odd-even

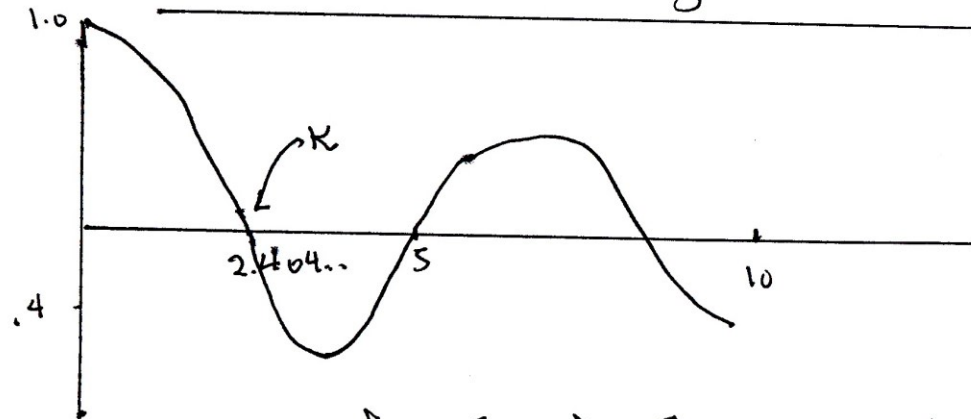


$$\int_0^1 \cos(\alpha t) \cos(2\pi u) du = \frac{\|f_0'(t)\|}{\sqrt{t}}$$

$$\parallel$$

$$J_0(\alpha t)$$

$J_0(x)$  Modified Bessel function  
of first kind of order 0.



$J_0: [0, K] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  one to one.

$$J_0(\alpha(t)) = \|f_0'(t)\| / r(t)$$

$$\|f_0'(t)\| < r(t)$$

crucial ("short")

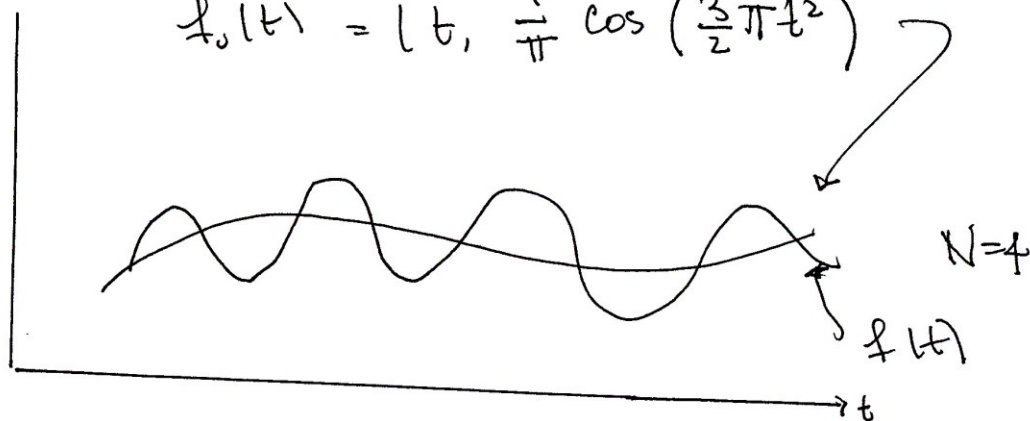
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$$\alpha(t) = J_0^{-1}(\|f_0'(t)\| / r(t))$$

$$f(t) = f_0(t) + \int_0^t r(u) \cos(\alpha(u) \cos 2\pi Nu) du$$

$$\doteq \text{IC}(f_0, h, N) \quad (\underline{\text{SOLN}})$$

$$f_0(t) = t, \frac{1}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{3}{2}\pi t^2\right)$$



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$$\underline{f_0(0) = f_0(1) \quad \text{closed}}$$

Choose (as before)

$$\tilde{F}(t) = f(t) - t(f(1) - f(0))$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= f_0(0) + \int_0^t r(t) \cos(\alpha(t)) \cos 2\pi N u \, du \\ &\quad - t \left( \int_0^1 r(t) \cos(\alpha(t)) \cos 2\pi N u \, du \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$(i) \quad \tilde{F}(1) = \tilde{F}(0)$$

$$(ii) \quad \|\tilde{F} - f_0\| = O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

New problem (and last)

$$\tilde{F}(t) = f(t) - t(f(1) - f(0))$$

$$\tilde{F}'(t) = f'(t) - (f(1) - f(0))$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= f_0(0) \\ &= f_0(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\tilde{F}'(t) - f'(t)\|_{C^0} = \sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} \|f(t) - f_0(t)\|_{C^0}$$

$$= O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

$$|\|\tilde{F}'(t)\|_{C^0} - \|f'(t)\|_{C^0}| = O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

$$|\|\tilde{F}'(t)\|_{C^0} - r(t)| = O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

II Approx but Not Exact soln!

Nash-Kuiper iteration :

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Approximate the desired metric  $r(t)$

from below by an increasing

sequence of metrics  $\{r_k(t)\}$ .

Since each  $r_k$  is "short"

(  $r_k(t) < r(t)$  ) we can set

up iteration process.

$$\{\delta_k\} \quad \delta_k \nearrow 1, \quad \rho_k > 0$$

$$r_k^2(t) = r_0^2(t) + \delta_k (r^2(t) - r_0^2(t))$$

$$r_0(t) = \|f_0'(t)\|$$

$$\tilde{F}_k = I(\tilde{F}_{k-1}, h_k, N_k)$$

$$h_k(t, u) = r_k(t) \cos(\cos \alpha_k(t) \cos 2\pi u)$$

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$$\text{THM.} \quad \text{Choose } \{\delta_n\} \ni \sum_n \sqrt{\delta_n - \delta_{n-1}} < \infty.$$

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$$\text{Then there exists } \{N_k\} \ni \{\tilde{F}_k\}$$

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$$\text{converges in } C^1 \text{ to } C^1 \text{ solution } \tilde{F}_\infty, \| \tilde{F}_\infty'(t) \| = r(t).$$

Ex.  
circle

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 $\sqrt{2}y_0$

