

# The extra-nice dimensions

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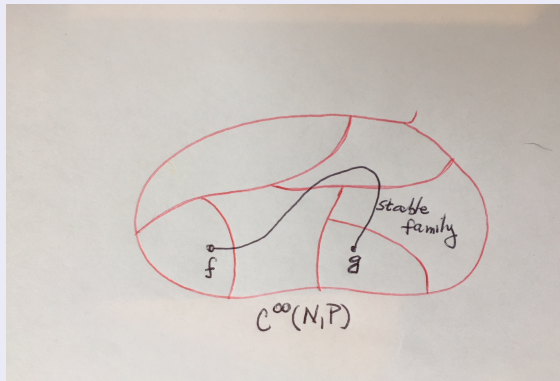
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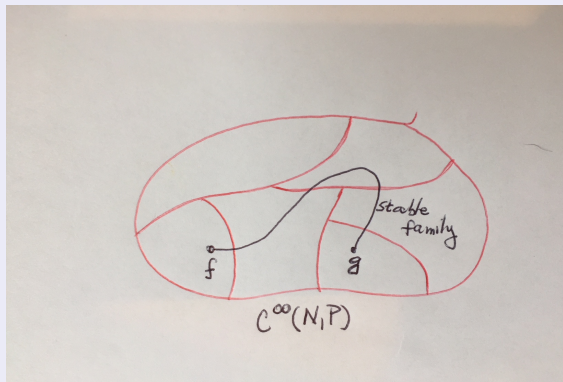
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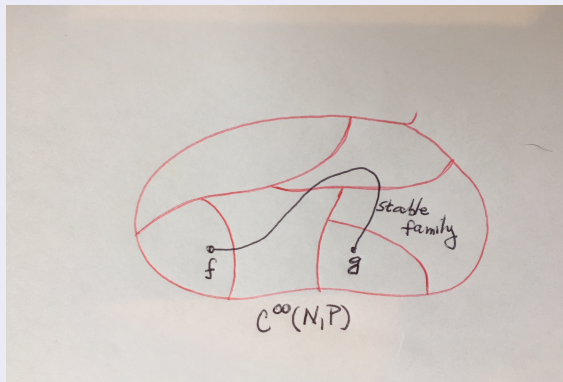


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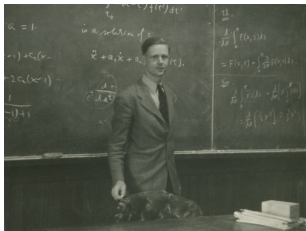


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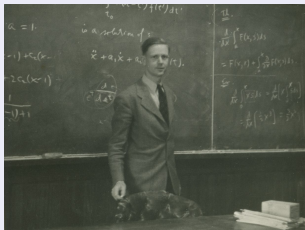
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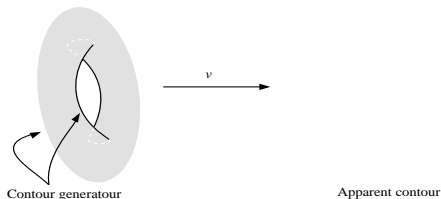
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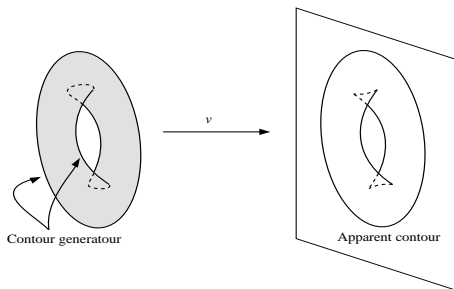
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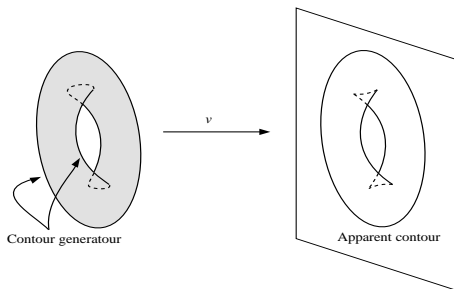


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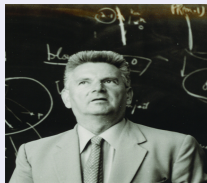
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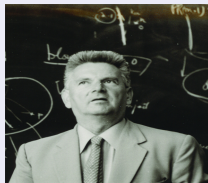
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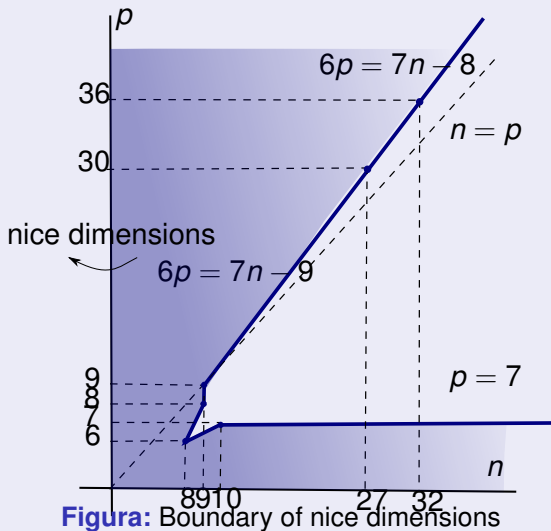
R. Thom, in his 1959 lectures *Singularities of differentiable mappings, I*, Bonn, 1959, sketched a proof that stable maps are not dense when  $(n, p) = (9, 9)$ , and formulated conjectures on density of  $C^0$ -stable maps that led to great developments in singularity theory.

John Mather, Stable mappings, 1968 to 1971



## Mather's theorem

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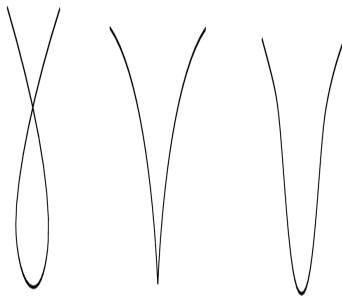
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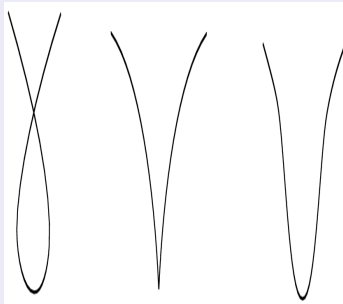
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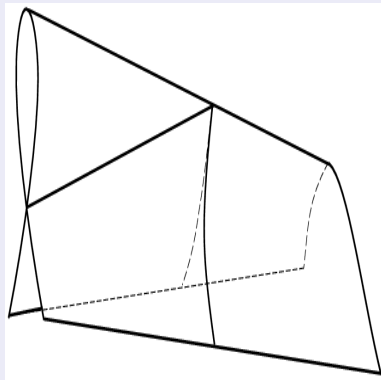




The group  $\mathcal{K}_V$  acts on the space of embeddings

$$i : (\mathbb{K}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}^{p+1}, 0), \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}_{V_e} - \text{cod}(i) = \mathcal{A}_e - \text{cod}(f).$$

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**Corollary**

$(n, p)$  extra-nice  $\implies \mathcal{A}_e$ -codimension 2 germs are *simple*.



## Density of stable families

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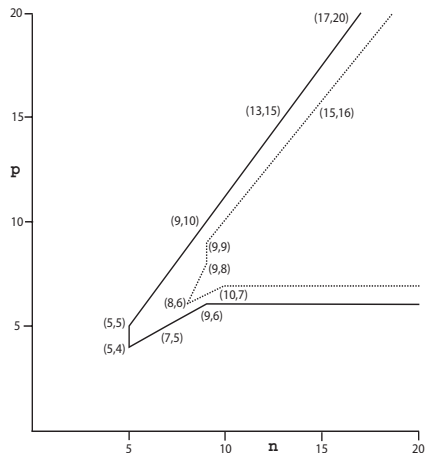
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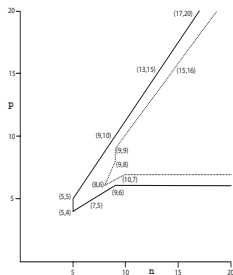
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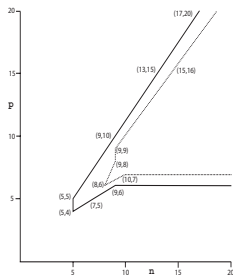
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