

# **Ambient Lipschitz geometry of definable surface germs**

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A connected definable set  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  inherits two metrics:  
the **outer metric**  $dist(x, y) = |y - x|$  and the **inner metric**  
 $idist(x, y) = \text{length of the shortest path in } X \text{ connecting } x \text{ and } y$ .  
 $X$  is **normally embedded or LNE(modern terminology)** if these  
two metrics on  $X$  are equivalent.

A **surface germ**  $X$  is a closed two-dimensional germ at  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
definable in a polynomially bounded o-minimal structure with the  
field of exponents  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Surface germs  $X$  and  $Y$  are **outer (inner) Lipschitz equivalent** if  
there is an outer (inner) bi-Lipschitz homeomorphism  $X \rightarrow Y$ .

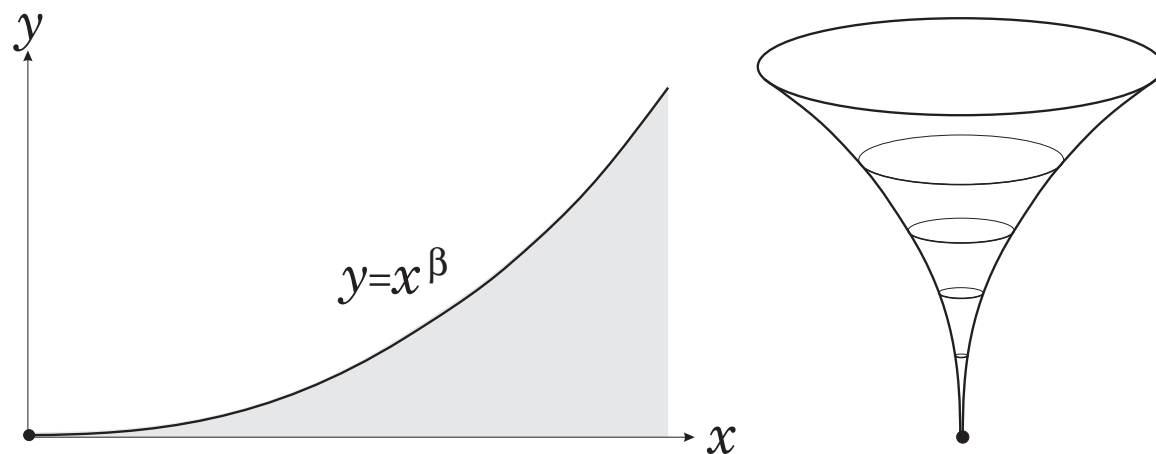
The germs are called ambient Lipschitz equivalent if there exists a germ of a bi-Lipschitz Homeomorphism  $\Psi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\Psi(X) = Y$ .

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**Finiteness theorems** (Mostowski 85, Parusinski 94, Valette 05): Any definable family has finitely many outer Lipschitz equivalence classes.

For  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_{\geq 1}$ , the **standard  $\beta$ -Hölder triangle** is the surface germ  $T_\beta = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 0, 0 \leq y \leq x^\beta\}$ .

The **standard  $\beta$ -horn** is  $C_\beta = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z \geq 0, x^2 + y^2 = z^{2\beta}\}$ .



A  **$\beta$ -Hölder triangle** is a germ inner Lipschitz equivalent to  $T_\beta$ .

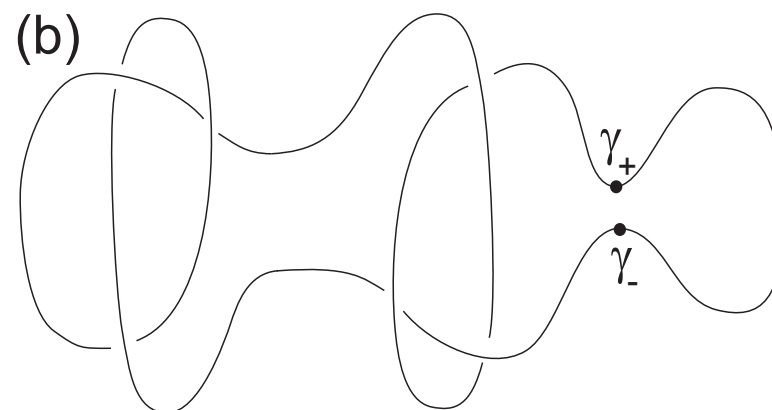
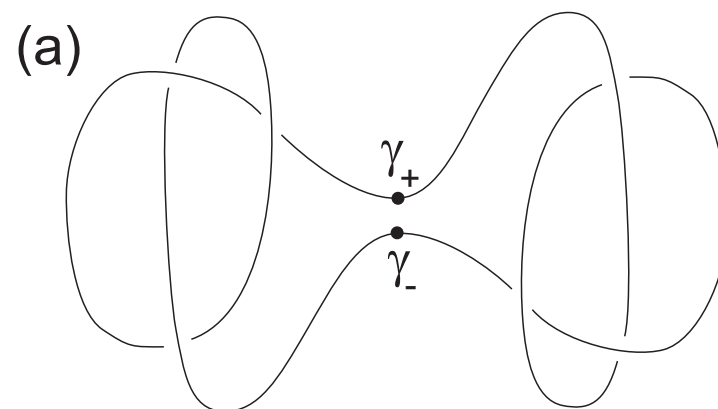
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## First Question

Are Topologically equivalent and Outer Lipschitz Equivalent germs  
Ambient Equivalent?

Answer : **No!**

Examples (LB, A. Gabrielov):

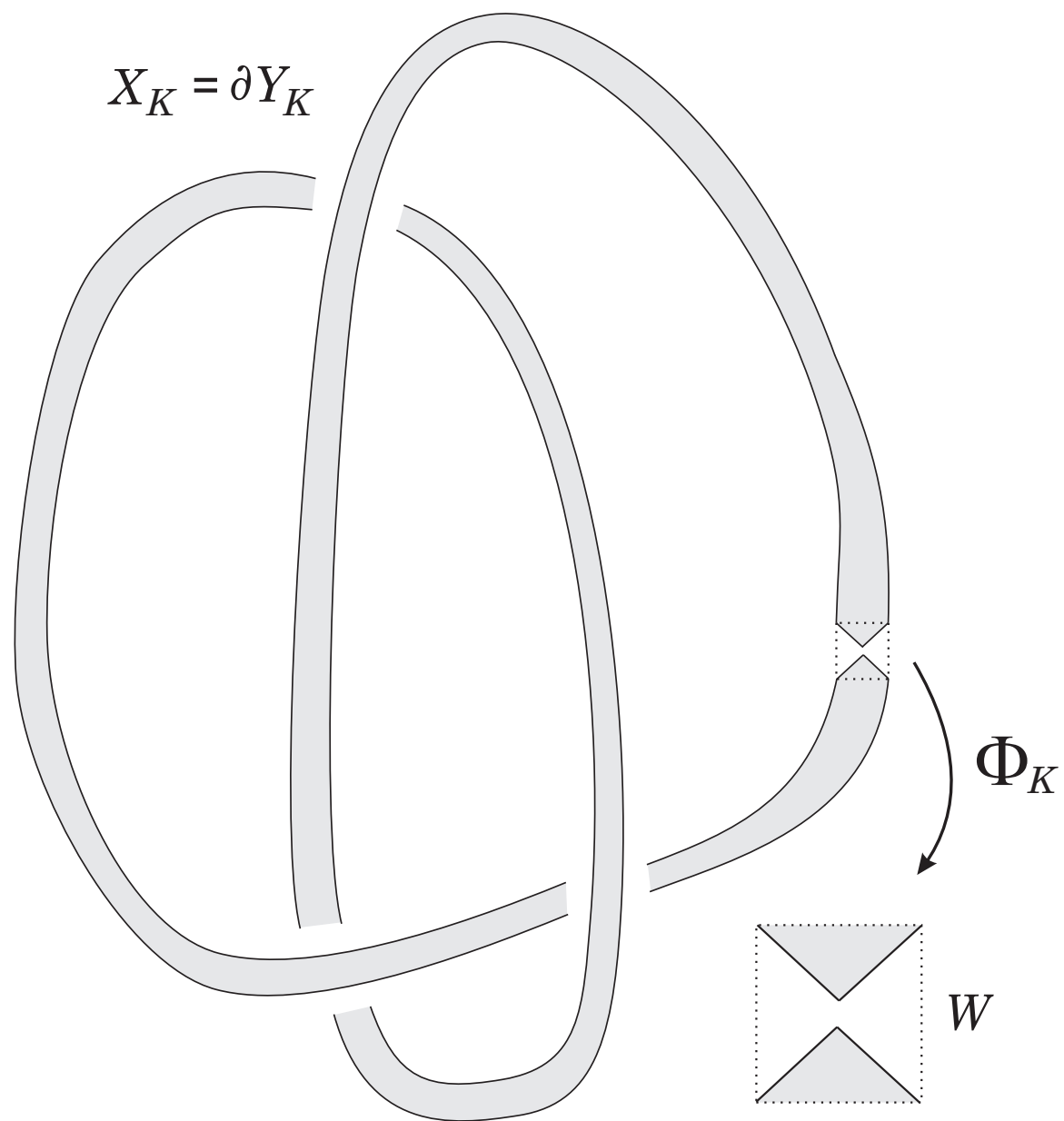


## Universality Theorem (LB, Brandenbursky, Gabrielov)

For any knot  $K$ , one can construct a germ of a surface  $X_K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  such that:

1. The link at the origin of  $X_K$  is a trivial knot;
2. The germs  $X_K$  are outer bi-Lipschitz equivalent for all  $K$ ;
3. Two germs  $X_K$  and  $X_{K'}$  are ambient bi-Lipschitz equivalent only if the knots  $K$  and  $K'$  are isotopic.

But, Notice in these examples  $X$  is **not!** LNE.





## Natural question.

What about LNE surfaces?

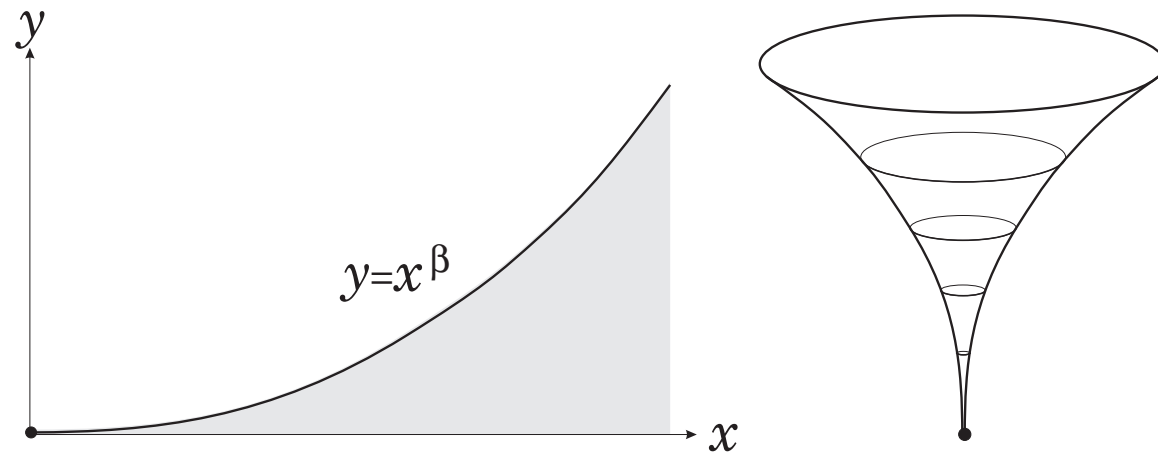
"Conjecture": Two LNE surface germs are Ambient Lipschitz Equivalent if they are Topologically Equivalent and Outer Lipschitz Equivalent.

Actually the conjecture is true for surface germs in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with isolated singularities with connected links.

**Theorem** - combination (LB, D. Lopes Medeiros) and (LB, A. Fernandes, Z. Jelonek)

For any  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_{\geq 1}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 3}$  with  $n \neq 4$ , every LNE  $\beta$ -Hölder triangle  $T \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is ambient Lipschitz equivalent to the standard  $\beta$ -Hölder triangle in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and every LNE  $\beta$ -horn  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is ambient Lipschitz equivalent to the standard  $\beta$ -horn  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Theorem 1** (LB, D. Lopes Medeiros) Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a germ of a LNE  $\beta$ -Hölder triangle or a germ of LNE  $\beta$ -horn  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ . Then  $X$  is ambient Lipschitz equivalent to the standard  $\beta$ -Hölder triangle in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and every LNE  $\beta$ -horn  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is ambient Lipschitz equivalent to the standard  $\beta$ -horn  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ .



This result is not true for non-isolated singularities or for the surfaces with not connected link.

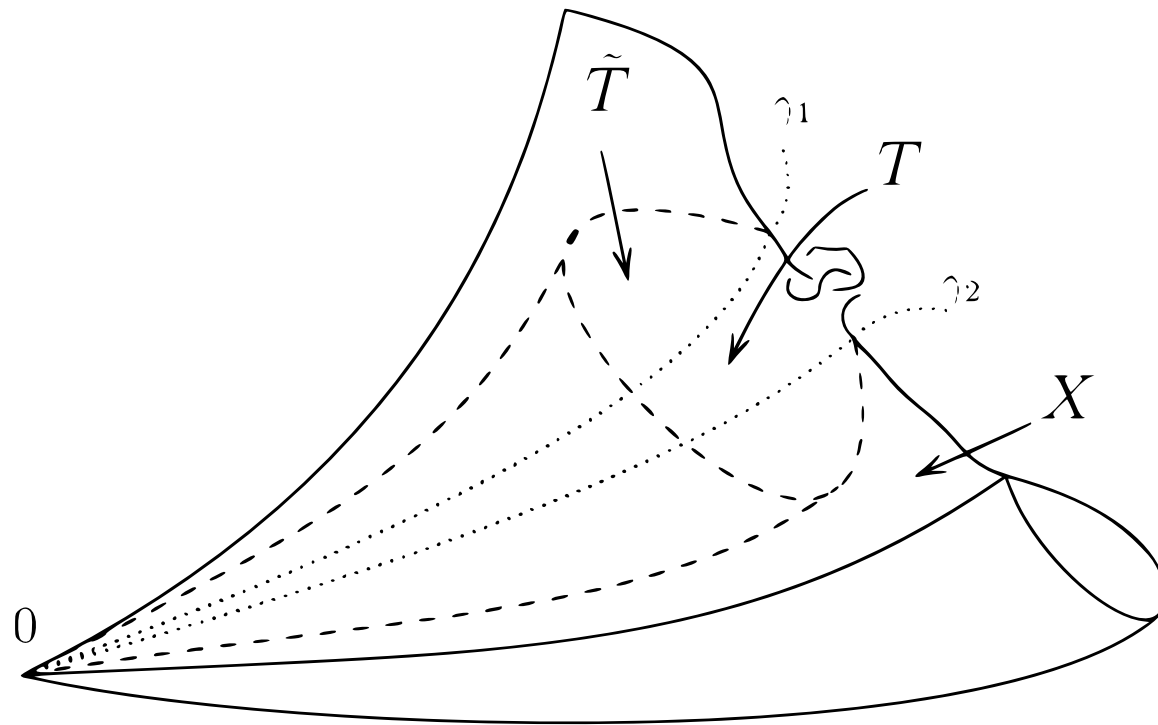
**Theorem 2** (LB, A. Fernandes, Z. Jelonek)

Let  $X, Y \subset \mathbb{R}^{k+1}$  be germs of a definable sets,  $\dim(X) = \dim(Y) = k$ . Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are outer Lipschitz equivalent. Then they are ambient Lipschitz equivalent.

What about germs in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ? LNE Hölder triangles.

**Universality Theorem 2** (LB, M.Denkowski, D Lopes Medeiros, E. Sampaio)

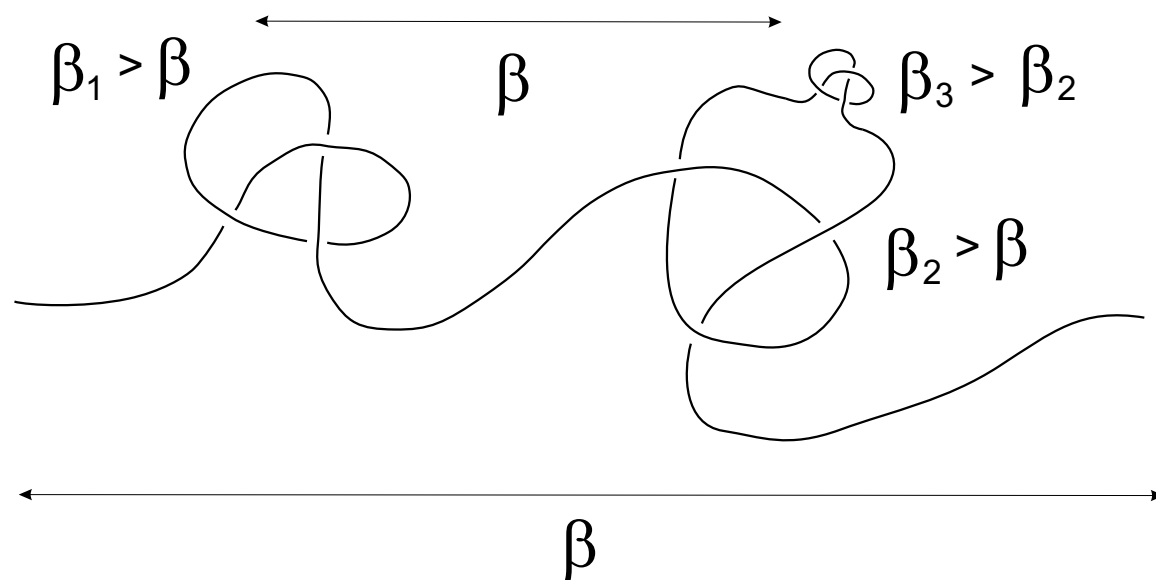
Fix  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_{>1}$ . Then for any knot  $K$ , there exists an LNE Hölder triangle  $T_{\beta,K} \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ . Moreover, two triangles  $T_{\beta,K_1}$  and  $T_{\beta,K_2}$  of that kind are ambient bi-Lipschitz equivalent only if  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are isotopic.





**Next Question** Ambient Lipschitz Classification of LNE Hölder triangles in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

What can happen?



Notice. All the vanishing exponents are rational.

The invariant graph  $\Gamma$  for a Hölder triangle in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is constructed as follows:

The vertex  $v_o$  correspond to the triangle.

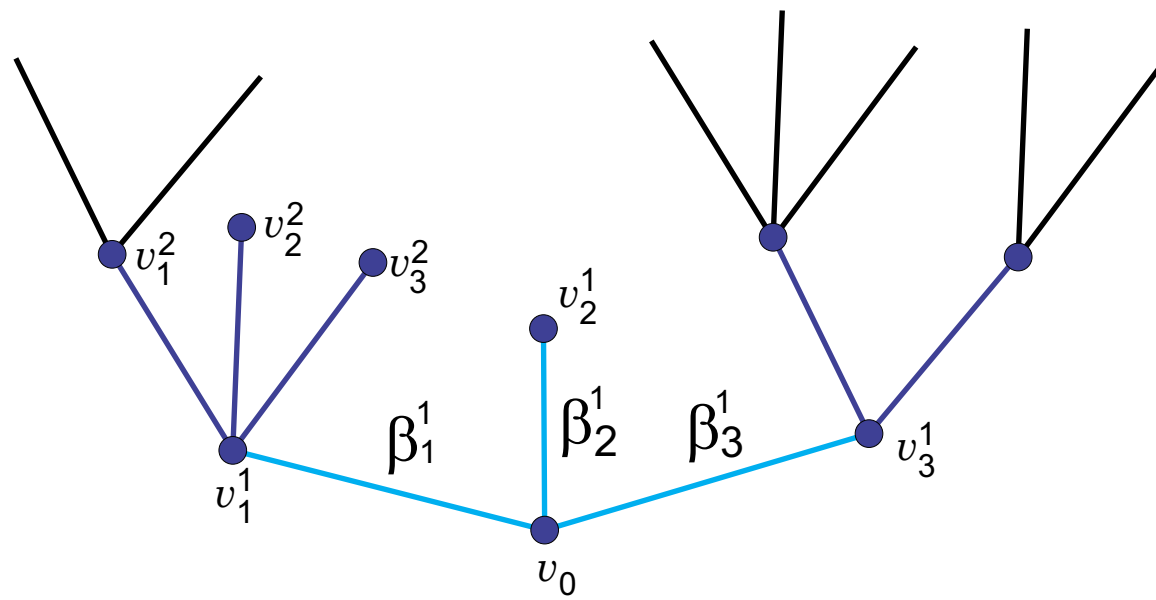
The vertices  $v_1^i$  correspond to the "primary" micro-knots  $K_1^i$ .

Each edge correspond to primary exponent.

The vertices  $v_2^i$  correspond to the "secondary" micro-knots  $K_2^i$ .

The indices  $\beta_j^i$  correspond to the micro-knot exponents.





**Thank You.**

**Congratulations, Wiesław!**