

DESINGULARIZING SPECIAL GENERIC MAPS

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Given a singular map $f: M^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ of a closed manifold with $n \geq p$, we consider the following problem: for a standard projection $\pi: \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ with $m > n$, does there exist an immersion or embedding $\eta: M^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m$ such that $f = \pi \circ \eta$? Such a map η can be considered as a desingularization of f . In this talk, we consider special generic maps that have only definite fold as their singularities. For various dimension pairs (n, p) , we give answers to the existence problem of immersion or embedding lifts into \mathbf{R}^{n+1} .

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