

In Definition 0.2, point (s2), the smooth dependence of  $\mathcal{H}^n(\Gamma_t)$  upon the variable  $t$  should be substituted by *continuous dependence*. First of all, this is all is needed in the proof and note that, combined with the other requirements, it is equivalent to continuity of  $t \mapsto \Gamma_t$  in the varifold topology. Secondly, if  $\Psi(t, \cdot)$  is a smooth one-parameter family of isotopies, it is easy to check that  $t \mapsto \mathcal{H}^n(\Psi(t, \Gamma_t))$  is continuous (either directly, using the area formula away from  $\{P_t\}$  and obvious bounds on the area close to  $\{P_t\}$ , or noticing that  $t \mapsto \Psi(t, \Gamma_t)$  remains continuous in the varifold topology, using the theory of varifolds) . It is instead not at all clear that the operation of composing with smooth one-parameter families of isotopies would retain smooth dependence of  $\mathcal{H}^n(\Psi(t, \Gamma_t))$ . Thanks to Bill Allard for pointing this out.