

Unstable classes for discriminant complements

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What's a discriminant anyway?



$$V_{d,n} := \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{(d)}$$



$$\Sigma_{d,n} = \{f \in V_{d,n} \mid \exists p \in \mathbb{P}^n, f(p) = 0, df(p) = 0\}$$



$$U_{d,n} = V_{d,n} - \Sigma_{d,n}$$

Polynomials with smooth zero locus in \mathbb{P}^n

- More generally have discriminant varieties $\Sigma(L) \subseteq H^0(X, L)$, where X - smooth proj. variety, L ample line bundle,

$$U(L) = H^0(X, L) - \Sigma(L)$$

Stability properties

- ▶ Tommasi(2014)

$$H^*(U_{d,n}, \mathbb{Q}) \cong H^*(GL_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q})$$

for $* < \frac{d}{2}$.

- ▶ (B -2020) X - Riemann surface, $\deg(L) = d$,

$$H^*(U(L), \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^*(G_d(X); \mathbb{Z}) \text{ for } * \ll d$$

$G_d(X)$ - group associated to braid group on X .

- ▶ Aumonier(2021) - for all (X, L) , spaces $U(L)$ satisfy homological stability.

Limits of stability (Work in Progress)

1. Thm (B, WIP)

$$H^*(U_{d,n}, \mathbb{Q}) = H^*(GL_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q}) \text{ for } * < 2d - O(1)$$

$$H^*(U_{d,2}, \mathbb{Q}) = H^*(GL_3(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q}) \text{ for } * < 4d - O(1)$$

, this is sharp.

2. Trying to improve bound for \mathbb{P}^n to $* < 2nd - O(1)$ (Conj. optimal).
3. Need to understand stratification of $\text{Conf}_k(\mathbb{P}^n)$.
4. Arithmetic consequences?

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Our setting:

$$(S^3, \text{Ker}(dz - ydx))$$

standard contact structure on S^3

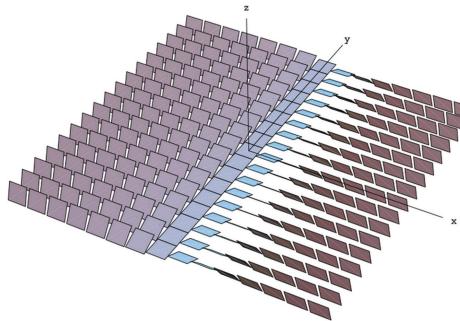


FIGURE 1. The standard contact structure on \mathbb{R}^3 .
Image borrowed from Starkston's thesis.

Protagonists:

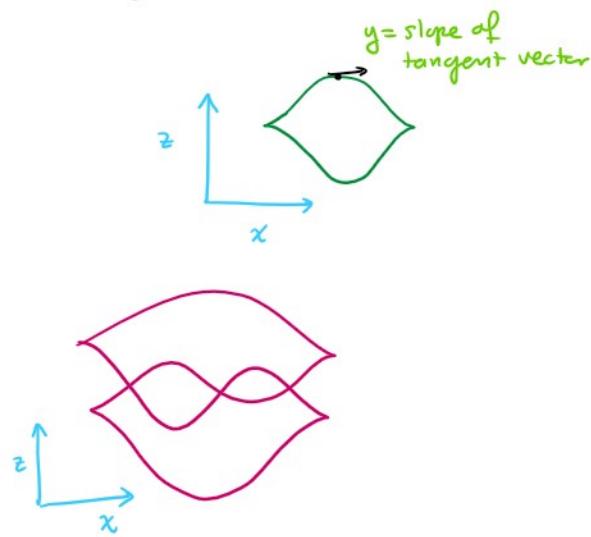
Legendrian links.



$\Lambda: S^1 \rightarrow (S^3, \xi)$ is Legendrian
if $T_p \Lambda \subseteq \xi$ for all $p \in \Lambda$

The front projection of a Legendrian

$$F(x, y, z) = (x, z)$$



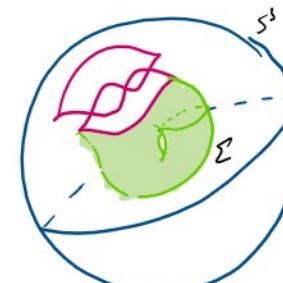
Classification of legendrian
links up to Legendrian
isotopy



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such that

$$\partial \Sigma = \Lambda \subseteq (\delta^3, g_{std})$$

(fillings of Λ)
up to Hamiltonian isotopy



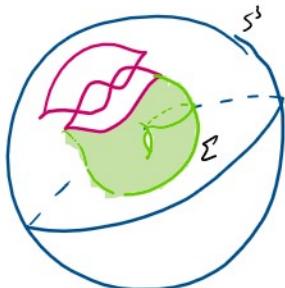
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- for such fillings Σ the genus realizes the smooth 4-ball genus of $\partial \Sigma = \Lambda$

- The only Legendrian Λ whose exact fillings are classified is the max tb unknot



[Eliashberg Polterovich]

There exist Legendrian links with ∞ -many distinct Lagrangian fillings

[Casals - Gao]

[Gao - Shen - Weng], [Casals - Zaslaw]

[Casals - Ng]



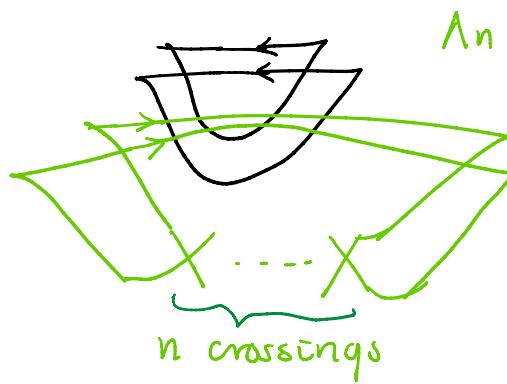
COR [- Legaut - Limouzineau - Murphy - Pan - Traynor]

If Σ is an exact Lagrangian cobordism from Λ_- to Λ_+ and Λ_- has infinitely many distinct exact Lagrangian fillings distinguished by augmentations of the Legendrian contact homology dga \Rightarrow so does Λ_+

THM [C-S '2021]

The Legendrian links $\Lambda_n \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^3, \text{std})$ for $n \geq 1$ have ∞ -many distinct exact Lagrangian fillings.

Λ_1 and Λ_2 have ∞ -many distinct genus 0 Lagrangian fillings.



Applications of the constructions
of exact Lagrangian fillings

Weinstein 4-dim manifolds

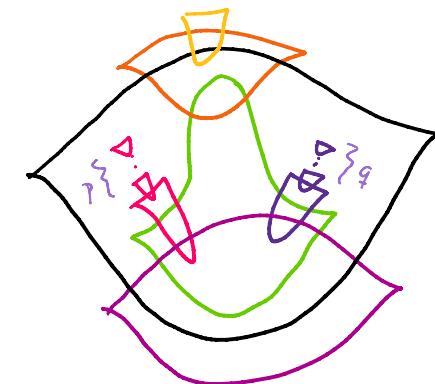
Legendrian links in
 $(\mathbb{H}^k(S^1 \times S^2), \xi_{\text{std}})$ or (S^3, ξ_{std})

We find Weinstein handlebodies of

$$T_{p,q,r} = \{(x,y,z) \in \mathbb{C}^3 \mid x^p + y^q + z^r + xyz = 1\}$$

with ∞ -many distinct exact Lagrangian
tori built from fillings.

& spheres built from fillings of Λ_2 .

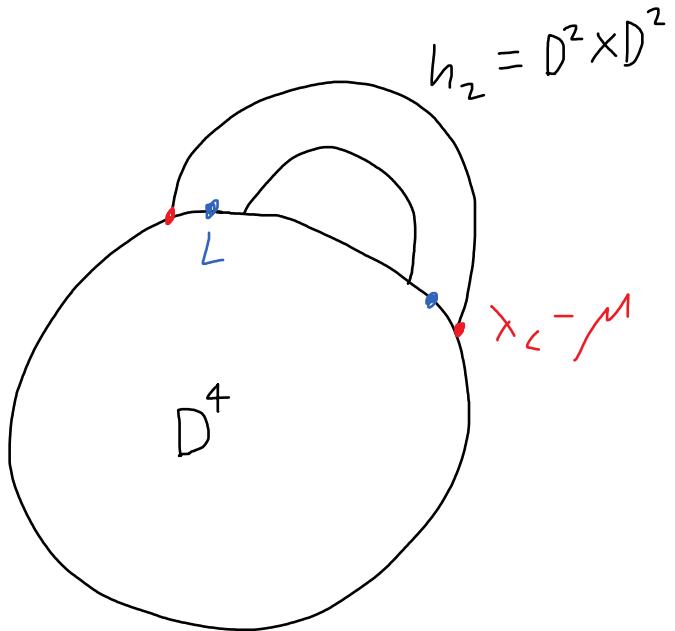


Thanks!

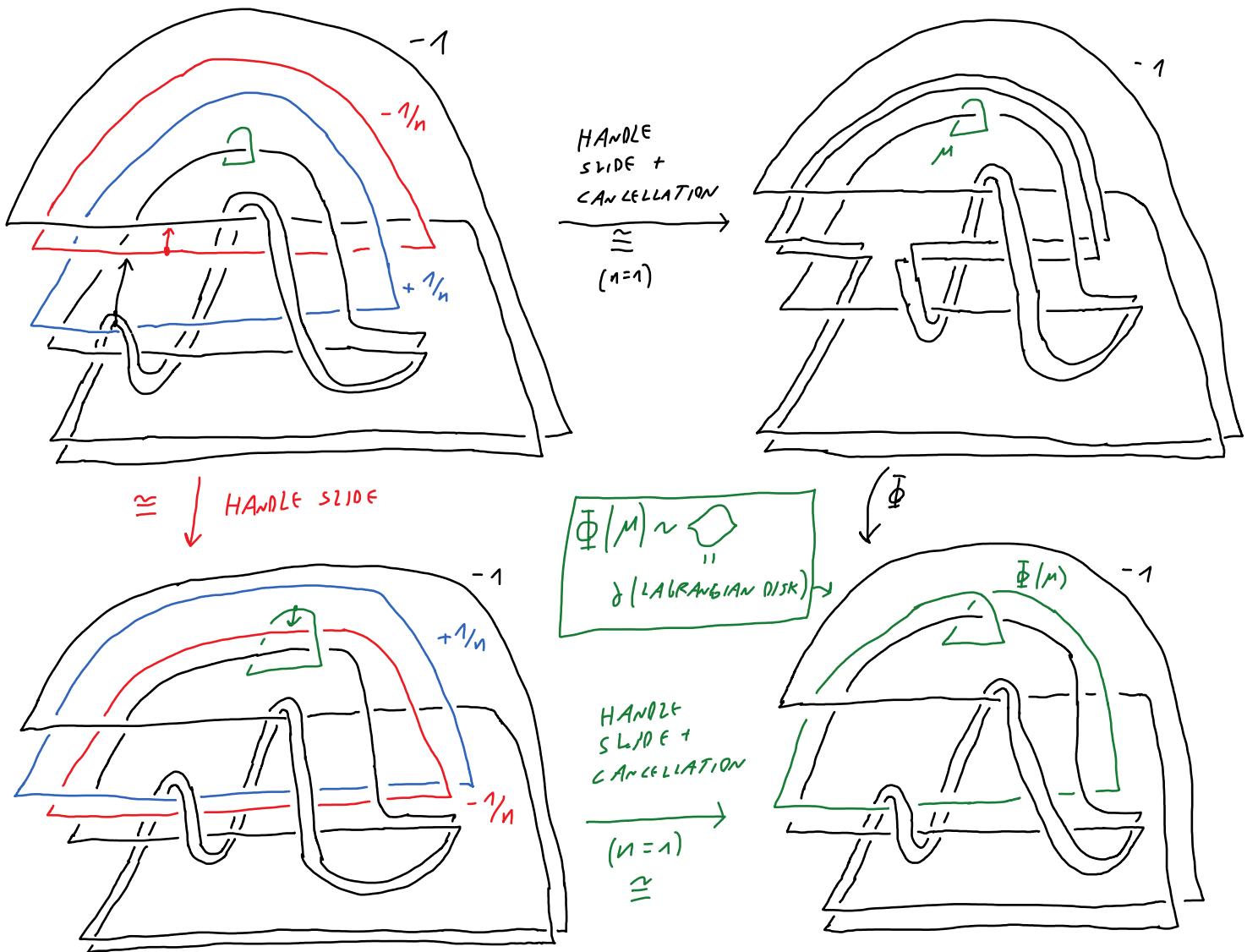
Stein traces

(joint with John Etnyre and Roger Casals)

arXiv:2111:00265



Proof of Theorem 2:



A winding number filtration on the Morse Complex

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Setting

$$\varphi \in \text{Ham}_c(\mathbb{R}^2)$$



Laudenbach - Sikorav: existence of a generating function quadratic at ∞ for φ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{h} & \mathbb{R} \\ \downarrow & & \\ \mathbb{R}^2 & & \end{array}$$



Contractibility of $\text{Ham}_c(\mathbb{R}^2)$: if $x, y \in \text{Fix}(\varphi)$, $x \neq y \Rightarrow \text{WN}(x, y)$ is well defined (i.e. it does not depend on the Hamiltonian isotopy).

$$\text{Milićević - Oh: } \text{HM}(h, g) \cong \text{HF}(H, J)$$

as filtered complexes

$$(\varphi = \Phi'_u)$$

Result

Proposition Let h be a generating function for \mathcal{Q} . The function

$I: CM(h; \mathbb{F}) \times CM(h; \mathbb{F}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ defined on the generators via

$$(x, y) \mapsto \begin{cases} WN(x, y) & x \neq y \\ -\left\lfloor \frac{c_2(x)}{2} \right\rfloor & x = y \end{cases}$$

and extended to $I(\sum_i \lambda_i x_i, \sum_j \mu_j x_j) = \min \{I(x_i, x_j) \mid \lambda_i \neq 0 \neq \mu_j\}$

gives a filtration on $CM(h+h; \mathbb{F})$, $h+h: E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$\Rightarrow H(CM_{+}^{I \geq h}(h+h; \mathbb{F}))$ is well defined.

Proof

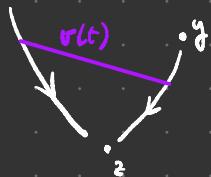
P. Le Calvez ('91, '99): winding numbers increase on pairs of orbits of $-\nabla h$, $h: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

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existence of an analogue for linearized dynamics: "dominated distribution"

To do: give a consistent definition of $WN(x, x)$.

Ideas:



- Show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v(t) \in T_z W_{-\nabla h}^s(z)$

- Use properties of the dominated distribution to show that
 $I(x, y) \leq -\left\lfloor \frac{Cz(z)}{2} \right\rfloor$

Thank you for your attention.



Artin Braids from Infinitesimal Loops

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$\Delta = \text{Spec } \mathbf{C}[[x]]$ = infinitesimal disk

$\eta = \text{Spec } \mathbf{C}((x))$ = infinitesimal loop

$$\pi_1^{\text{\'et}}(\eta) \simeq \hat{\mathbf{Z}} = \varprojlim_n \mathbf{Z}/n\mathbf{Z}$$

Suppose $W \curvearrowright V$ by real reflections.

$$Br_W := \pi_1^{\text{top}}(V^\circ/W)$$

where $V^\circ \subseteq V$ is the free locus.

Ex $S_n \curvearrowright \mathbf{C}^n$ gives $Br_W = Br_n$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Maps}(\eta, V^\circ/W) & \xrightarrow{\pi_1^{\text{\'et}}} & \widehat{Br}_W \\ f & \mapsto & [\beta_f] \end{array}$$

Df $[\beta]$ algebraic iff $\exists f$ st $[\beta] = [\beta_f]$.

Prob Classify algebraic braids.

$\pi_W \in Z(Br_W)$ full twist

Thm If $[\beta] = [\beta_f]$ is algebraic, then

$$\beta^n \sim \pi_{W_1}^{e_1} \cdots \pi_{W_k}^{e_k}$$

for some n and $W = W_1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq W_k$.

If f extends to $\Delta \rightarrow V // W$, then can take $n, e_1, \dots, e_k \geq 0$.

Ex For $S_n \curvearrowright \mathbf{C}^n$, recover that links of plane curves are *iterated torus* type.

Knot of $y = x^{\frac{3}{2}} + x^{\frac{6}{7}}$ is closure of

$$\beta = (\sigma_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_3 \sigma_2)^3 \sigma_1^7 \in Br_4.$$

Have $\beta^4 \sim \pi_{S_4}^6 \pi_{S_2 \times S_2}$, where:

$$\pi_{S_4} = (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3)^4 \in Br_4$$

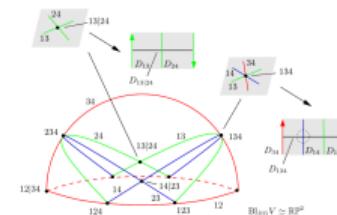
$$\pi_{S_2 \times S_2} = (\sigma_1 \sigma_3)^2 \in Br_2 \times Br_2$$

Cor If $\Sigma(\beta)$ is the set of Burau eigenvalues of β , then

$$\max_{\lambda_q \in \Sigma(\beta_f)} \max_{|q|=1} \lambda_q = 1.$$

For $S_n \curvearrowright \mathbf{C}^n$, stronger: reducible with periodic components.

Proof of Thm Reduce to f lifting to $\tilde{f} : \Delta \rightarrow V$. Then lift to *wonderful compactification* $\tilde{V} \supseteq V^\circ$:



$D = \tilde{V} - V^\circ$ has normal crossings.

Winding numbers e_i are intersection numbers with components of D .

Image: Feichtner, MSRI 52 (2005), 333-360