

# Results on exact Lagrangian fillings of Legendrian links

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- 2 projects: (A) joint w/ R. Casals U.C. Davis  
 (B) joint w/ J. Hughes Duke  
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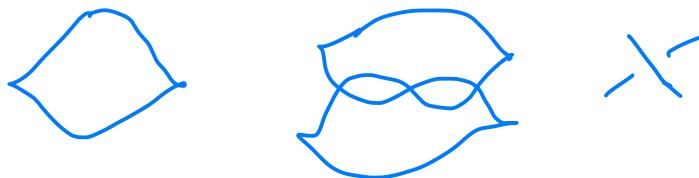
let  $(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathcal{J}_{std} = \ker(\alpha dz - y dx)) = \langle \partial_z, y \partial_x + \partial_z \rangle$

$$p = (x_0, y_0, z_0) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

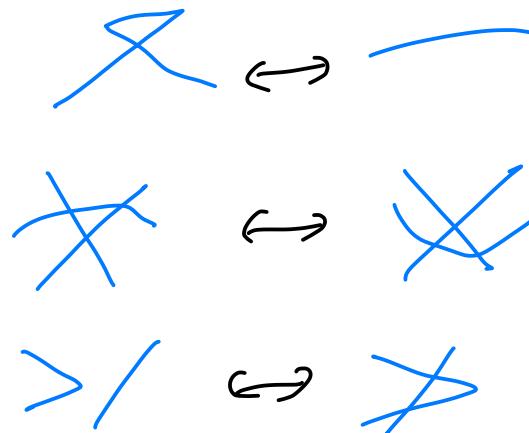
let  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be a smooth link

we say it is Legendrian if  $T_p \Lambda \subseteq \mathcal{J}_p \quad \forall p \in \Lambda$

front projection

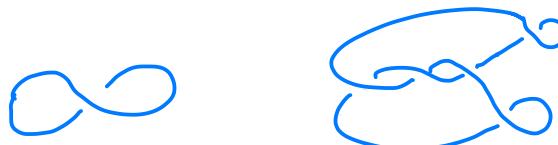


Legendrian Reidemeister

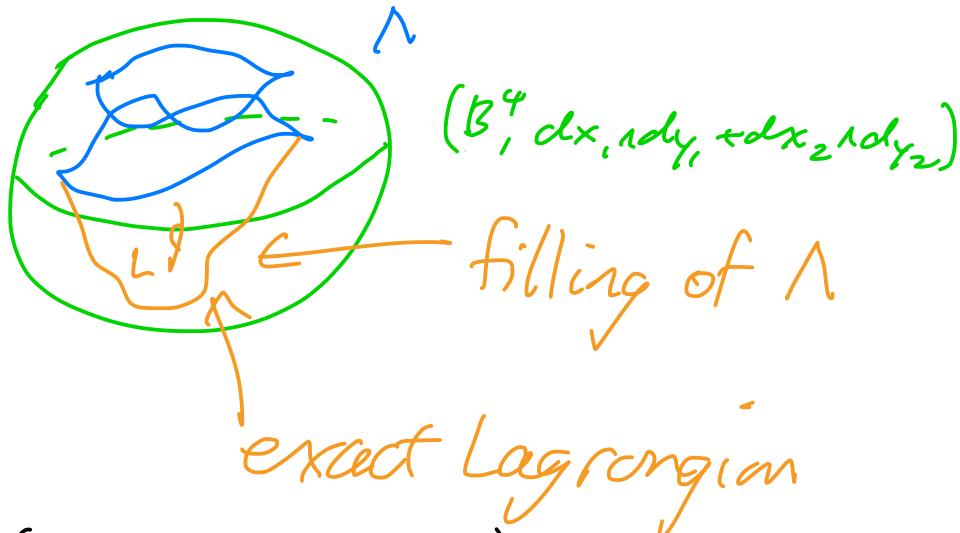


Lagrangian projection  $\pi_L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \times \{y\}$

$\pi_L(\Lambda)$  immersed curves w/ oriented area zero



Consider



$$L \subseteq (B^4, \omega_{std} = d(y_1 dx_1))$$

Lagrangian surface of  $\omega|_{T_p^L} = 0 \forall p \in L$

if  $\lambda|_L = df$  for  $f: L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

then  $L$  is exact Lagrangian

$L$  is an exact lag filling of  $\Lambda \subseteq (S^3, \beta_{std})$  if

$L \subseteq (B^4, \omega_{std})$  is an exact Lagrangian

if  $L \cap S^3 = \Lambda$

Goal: Study Lag fillings up to exact Lag isotopy  
fixing the boundary

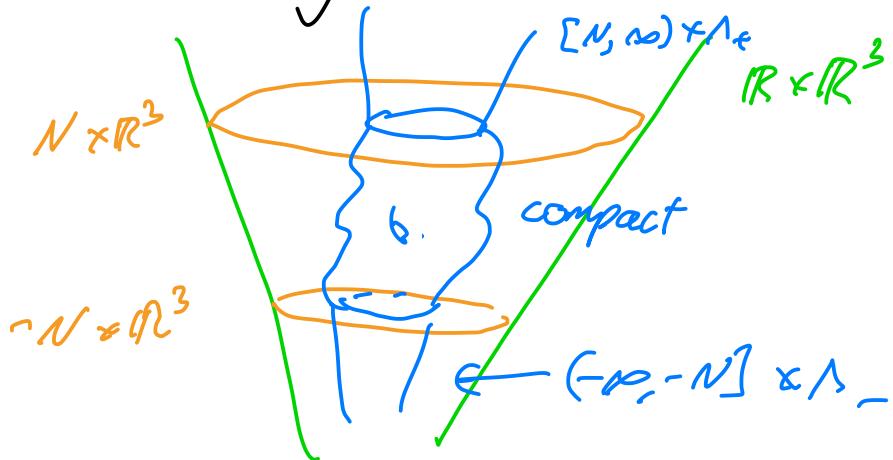
[Eliashberg, Polterovich]

has a unique exact Lag disk filling

$\Lambda_-, \Lambda_+ \subseteq (B^3, \beta_{std})$  Legendrians

an exact Lagrangian cobordism  $L$  from  $\Lambda_-$  to  $\Lambda_+$

is  $L \subseteq (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^3, d(\text{exp}(dz - ydx)))$   
exact lag and  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st



and  $f$  is constant on the cylindrical ends

Facts: if orientable, then  $g(L) = g_{\mathbb{H}}(1)$



If  $\Lambda$  has an orientable lag filling then  $\Lambda$   
must be quasi-positive [Hayden, Sabloff]

$L$  nonorientable  $\Rightarrow$  some topological restrictions

[Char-Gaudin, Phillips  
Renz - Sabloff Tao]?



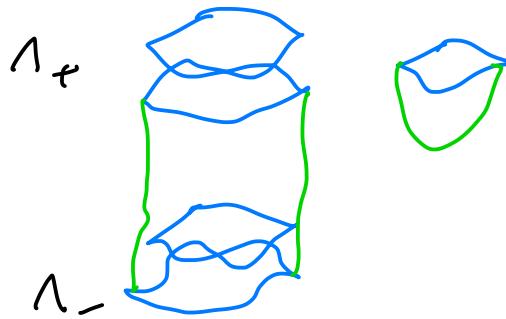
Decomposable Lagrangian

(1) trace of a Legendrian isotopy

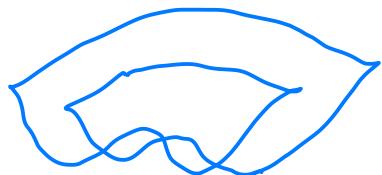
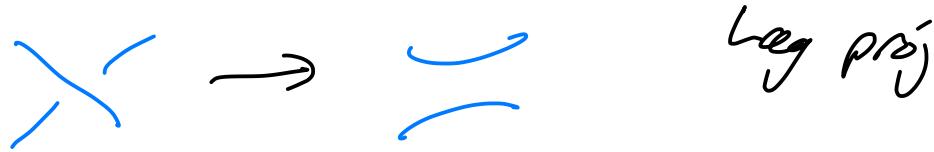


(2) Minimum cobordisms:

$$\text{If } \Lambda_+ = \Lambda_- \cup \square$$



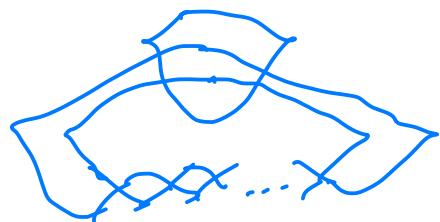
3) Saddle cobordism



$\Lambda_{[2,3]}$  has  $C_3$  fillings [Pan]  
 $\Lambda_{[2,n]}$  has  $C_n$

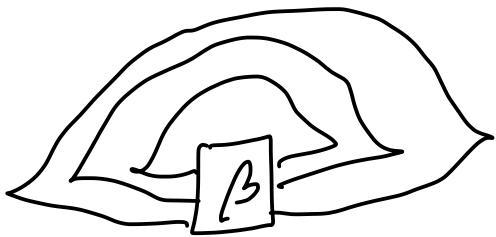
expected this is all

finitely many constructed  
 Hughes ...?

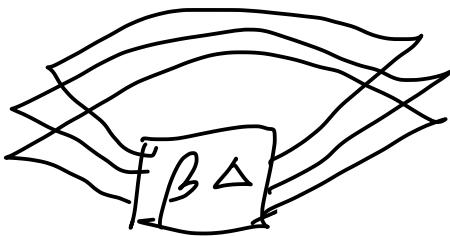


max #s  $T(p,q)$  torus links  $\infty$ -many fillings  
 $p,q \geq 4$  [Casals-Geo]

$\beta$  positive  $n$ -braid



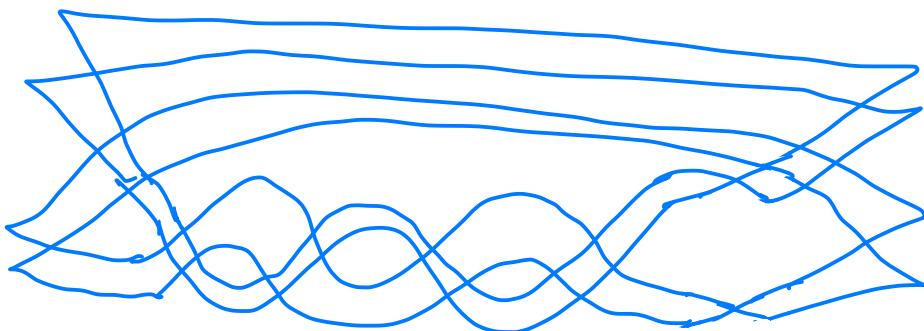
Gao Shan Weng



$$\Delta = \begin{smallmatrix} & & \\ & \times & \\ & & \end{smallmatrix}$$

Casals-Gashy<sup>2</sup>  
Schnell-Lee-Shan

Casals-Ng : if  $\exists$  lag cobordism,  $\Lambda_-$  to  $\Lambda_+$   
and  $\Lambda_-$  has only many fillings  
distinguished by augmentations  
 $\Rightarrow \Lambda_+$  does too

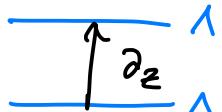


$\Lambda(\beta_{11})$  has only many fillings  
genus 1 Casals-Ng

Legendrian dgA  $(A(\Lambda, R), \partial)$

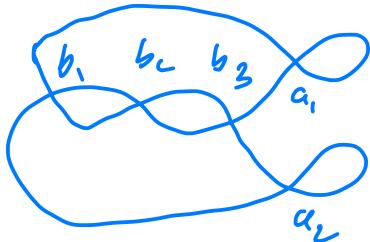
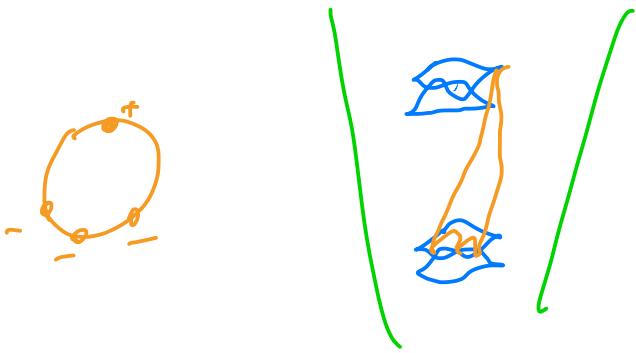
legendrian invariant

noncommutative differential graded algebra (dgA)  
generated



crossings in  
Lag proj

differential counts rigid  $J$ -disks



$$\partial a_1 = b_1 b_2 b_3 + b_1 + b_3 + 1$$

$$\partial a_2 = b_3 b_2 b_1 + b_1 + b_3 + 1$$

$$\partial b_1 = 0$$

$\text{Th}^m$  [Ekholm Honda Kalmár, Karlsén]

If  $L$  is Lag cobordism from  $\Lambda_-$  to  $\Lambda_+$

$\Rightarrow$  Chain map

$$\Phi_L : (A(\Lambda_+, R), \partial) \rightarrow (A(\Lambda_-, R), \partial)$$

If  $\Lambda_- = \emptyset$  we have

$$\varepsilon_L : (A(\Lambda_+, R), \partial) \rightarrow (R, 0)$$

$$(\varepsilon_L \circ \partial = 0)$$

If  $L_1, L_2$  exact Lag isotopic  $\Rightarrow \varepsilon_{L_1}$  and  $\varepsilon_{L_2}$  are chain homotopic

can use  $R = \mathbb{Z}_2 \{ H_*(L, \Lambda; \mathbb{Z}) \}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_L(a) &\in \mathbb{Z}_2[\mathcal{H}_1(L, \Lambda; \mathbb{Z})] \\ &\cong \mathbb{Z}_2[s_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, s_n^{\pm 1}]\end{aligned}$$

Laurent poly

$$\text{if } L_1 \cong L_2 \Rightarrow \exists \phi \in GL(K, \mathbb{Z})$$

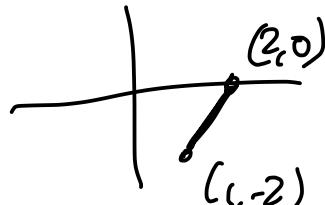
$$\phi(\mathcal{H}_1(L, \Lambda)) = \mathcal{H}_1(L, \Lambda)$$

$\phi \circ \mathcal{E}_L$  chain homotopic to  $\mathcal{E}_{L_2}$

we construct Leg fillings where Laurent polys  
are not related by  $GL(K, \mathbb{Z})$

Newton polytope

$$N(x^2 + y^{-2}x)$$



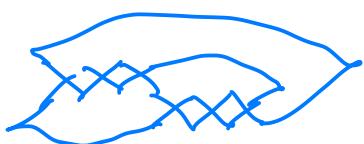
consider  
(volume, #( $N(f) \cap \mathbb{Z}^K$ ))

use to distinguish Leg's

Thm: [CS - Casals]

can distinguish examples above

$\exists$  Leg. with infinitely many non-orient fillings



Thm: [CS, Hughes, Wang]

for certain Leg 2-brige knots  $\Lambda$  k ungraded

augmentations of  $\Lambda$  has a ring of functions which algebraically has a cluster structure of type  $A_{n_1} \times \dots \times A_{n_k}$