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Today: More about the Fukaya-Seidel cat.

Recall. Fix a symplectic mfld  $(E, \omega = d\theta)$   
and a Lefschetz fibration  $E \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{C}$ .  
 $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} E = n+1$ .

Here,  $E$  has an almost cplx structure  $J$ ,  
compatible with  $\omega$ , and  $\pi$  is  $J$ -holomorphic  
 $D\pi \circ J = J_c \circ D\pi$ .

The Lefschetz condition says that

- Near every  $x \in \text{Crit}(\pi)$ ,  $J$  is integrable.
- $\exists$  holom coords about  $x \in \text{Crit}(\pi)$  s.t.

$$\pi = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2 \quad (\text{complex analogue of "Morse"})$$

Rmk.  $D\pi \circ J = J_c \circ D\pi \Rightarrow \forall$  regular value  $y \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $E_y := \pi^{-1}(y)$  is also an exact symplectic mfld with  $\omega_{E_y} := \omega|_{E_y}$ .

Idea (Kontsevich, Seidel)

Study version of  $\text{Fuk}(E)$  via  $\text{Fuk}(E_y)$ .

(all fibres are symplectomorphic)

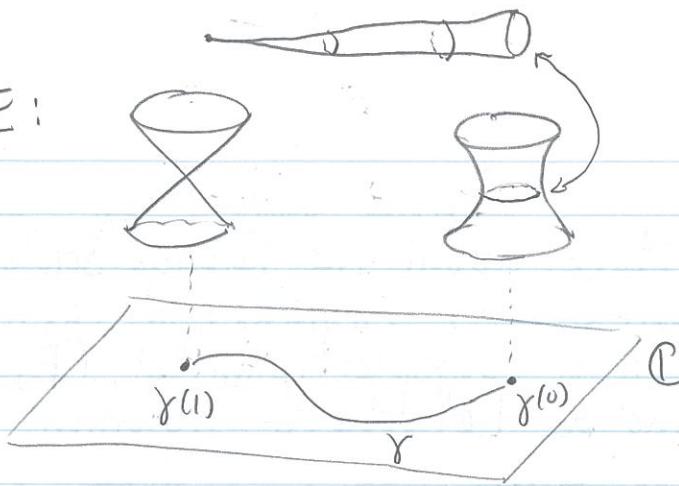
$(-\infty, 1]$

Recall. Fix  $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  smth embedding  
s.t.  $\gamma(1) \in \text{CritVal}(\pi)$ ,  $\gamma(t)$  reg. for  $t \neq 1$ .

(For simplicity, assume  $\text{Crit}(\pi) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{CritVal}(\pi)$ .)

Then,  $\exists$ ! Lagrangian disk  $\Delta_\gamma \stackrel{\text{diff.}}{\cong} D^{n+1} \subset E$ . s.t.  
 $\Delta_\gamma$  is obtained via parallel transport of a  
Lagrangian sphere along  $\gamma$ .

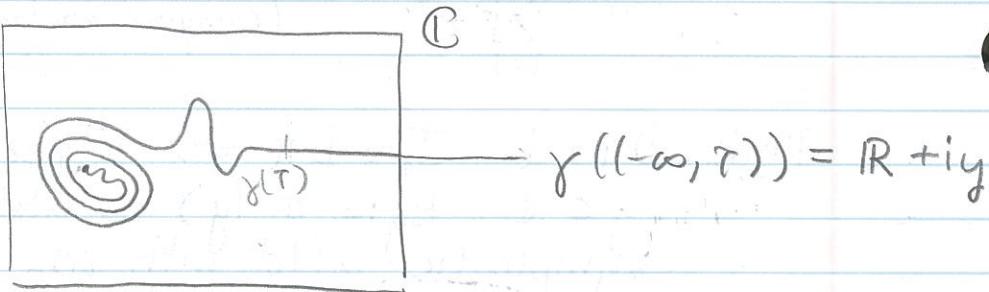
E:



The Fukaya-Seidel category of  $(E, \pi)$

has objects

- compact exact Lagrangians  $L \subset E$ .
- $\Delta_\gamma$  for  $\gamma$  parallel to  $\mathbb{R}$  outside a cpt set, with  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma \geq$  some  $C$ .



To compute  $\mu^k$  operations for  $\Delta_{\gamma_0}, \dots, \Delta_{\gamma_k}$ ,

$$\begin{array}{c} \gamma_k \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_0 \end{array}$$

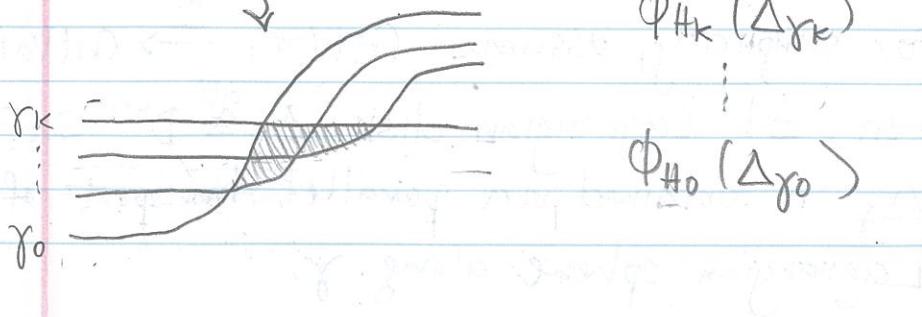
fiber preserving

Apply such a Ham. flow,  
and compute  $\mu_E^k$  for

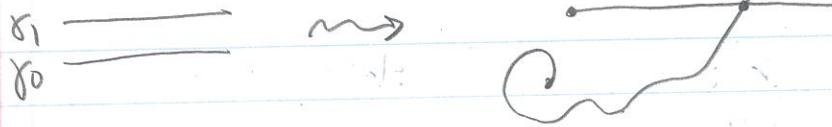
$$\phi_{H_k}(\Delta_{\gamma_k})$$

$$\phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{\gamma_0})$$

Hamiltonian flow



e.g.

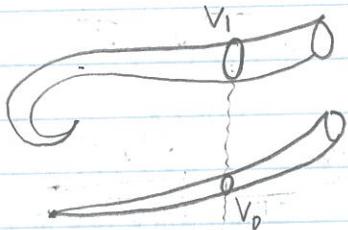


where  $\Delta_{\gamma_1} \cap \phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{\gamma_0}) \subset E_y$

let  $V_1 := \Delta_{\gamma_1} \cap E_y$

$V_0 := \Delta_{\gamma_0} \cap E_y$

thimbles  
vanishing cycles

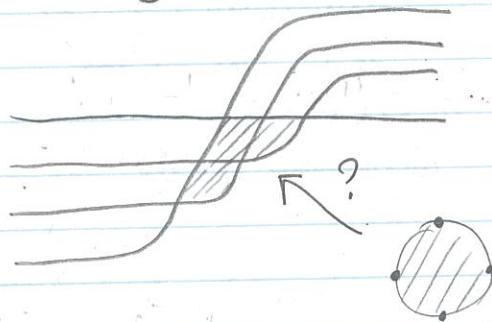


then,

$$CF_{E_y}(V_0, V_1) \cong CF_E(\phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{\gamma_0}), \Delta_{\gamma_1})$$

Further,  $\mu_E^k = \mu^k$ , i.e.  
 $\mu^k$  of  $\Delta_{\gamma_1} \subset E$  is  
 $\mu^k$  of  $V_1 \subset E_y$ .

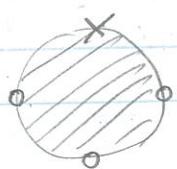
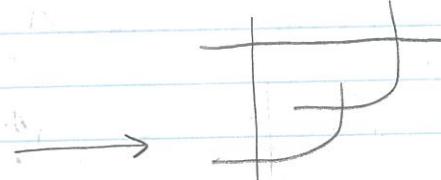
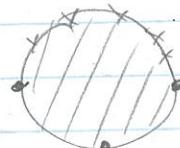
Why?



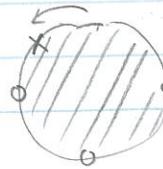
Ex:  $\mu^3$

Claim: {hol. maps  $S = \text{shaded circle}$   
with fixed  $\mathbb{Q}$ -structure}

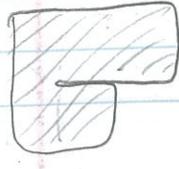
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\*.



$\exists!$



$\exists!$



not embedding

How about  $L \subset E$  that are compact?  
 (in particular,  $L \neq \Delta_{\gamma}$ ).

Thm (Seidel)

Fix a collection  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k$ ,  $k = |\text{CntVal}|$

( $\gamma_i(1) = p_i$ ,  $p_i \in \text{CntVal}$ ; for  $i=1, \dots, k$ ).

Then,

$$D^{\pi} \langle \Delta_{\gamma_1}, \dots, \Delta_{\gamma_k} \rangle \cong D^{\pi} \text{FS}(E, \pi)$$

i.e.,  $\begin{cases} \text{fiber theory of Lefschetz} \\ \text{thimbles} \\ + \text{monodromy} \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{recovers FS cat.}$

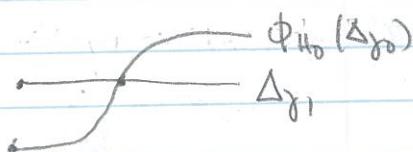


gives self-symplectomorphism of fiber  
 determines Lagrangian sphere  
 apply Dehn twist.

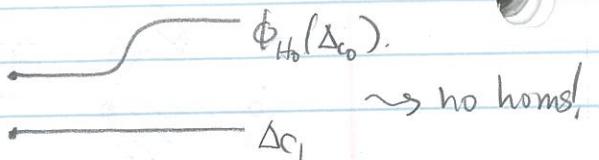
algebraically: generates cones to recover objects  
 in FS.



$$\text{hom}(\Delta_{\gamma_0}, \Delta_{\gamma_1}) := CF_E(\phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{\gamma_0}), \Delta_{\gamma_1})$$



$$\text{hom}(\Delta_{c_0}, \Delta_{c_1}) := CF_E(\phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{c_0}), \Delta_{c_1})$$

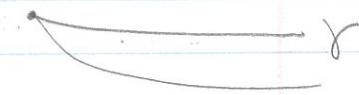


$\rightsquigarrow$  no homs!

perfect  
 hom

This is an example of a directed category  
analogue of "exceptional collections"

Rmk.  $\text{End}(\Delta_Y) \cong k$ .



This summer (Witten, Seidel, ...)

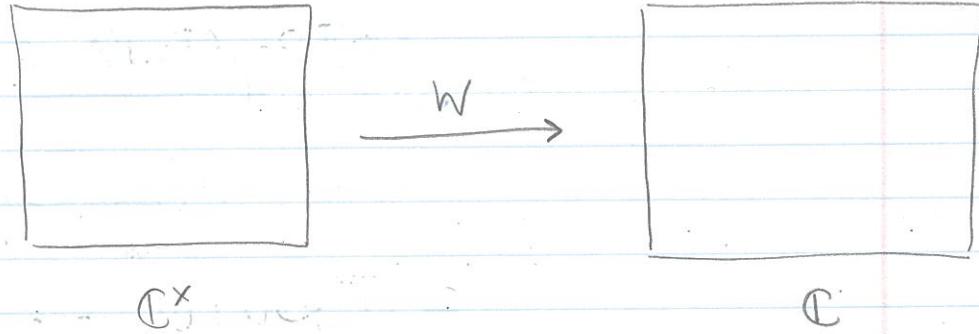
Complex Morse theory arises as a physical system.

Picard-Lefschetz theory

Thm  $D^b\text{Coh}(\mathbb{P}^1) \cong \text{FS}(\mathbb{C}^\times, \pi = W: z \mapsto z + \frac{1}{z})$

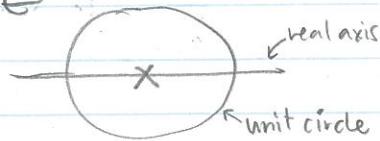
Pf.  $\text{Cnt}(W) = \{z = \pm 1\}$ .

$\text{CntVal}(W) = \{\pm 2\}$



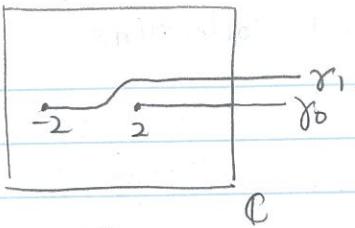
When is  $W(z) \in \mathbb{R}$ ?

A: when  $z \in$



$$\text{W}(x+iy) = (\text{real}) + iy\left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2+y^2}\right).$$

Choose



$\pi^{-1}\{$

Claim:

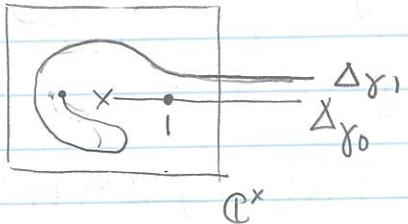
$$CF^*(\phi_{H_0}(\Delta_{y_0}), \Delta_{y_1})$$

?

$k \oplus k$  deg 0

w/ no differential.

might be  
wrong



So by Seidel's thm,

$$D^{\text{II}}\text{FS}(\mathbb{C}^\times, W) \cong D^{\text{II}}\langle \Delta_{y_0}, \Delta_{y_1} \rangle$$

$$\cong D^{\text{II}}\text{Rep}(\overline{\text{End}(\Delta_{y_0} \oplus \Delta_{y_1})})_{(A_{\infty}^-)}$$

$$\text{id} : \overset{\circ}{\Delta_{y_0}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \overset{\circ}{\Delta_{y_1}}$$

$$\cong D^{\text{II}}\text{Rep}(Q = \text{quiver})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Thm}}{\underset{(\text{Beilinson})}{\cong}} D^b\text{Coh}(\mathbb{P}^1)$$

$$\text{Ext}(\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1))$$

exception:  
Lagrangian  
forms.

This is one half of mirror symmetry for  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .  $\square$

These proofs are unsatisfying because it's not geometric & always a highly nontrivial algebraic step that makes it look like an accident.

Next time:  $\text{FS} \stackrel{??}{=} \text{gluing of } (\text{compact part}) \& (\text{non-compact part})$   
algebraic description.