

Lecture 1 (R. Siefring)

Intersection theory of punctured pseudo-holomorphic curves.

Setup

$\rightarrow (W^4, J)$, J an almost complex structure (a.c.s.)

$J \in \text{End}(TW)$; $J^2 = -\text{Id.}$ on TW .

$\rightarrow u: (\Sigma, j) \rightarrow (W, J)$ | pseudo holomorphic curve.

Riemann surface

$du \circ j = J \circ du$ | (J-hol.)

J a collection of results that go under the title "Positivity of intersections"

Gromov '85; Mcallef & White; McDuff

Thm (MW '95)

\rightarrow family of J -hol disks through a point p .



Then J c' coord's $\underline{\Phi}: u \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ in which all curves are given by holomorphic polynomials.

• To lowest order, all curves look like

$a z^k + o(z^k)$.

• After a reparametrization, the curve looks like.

$(z^k, o(z^k))$

- Given 2 curves $(z^k, u(z))$ then $(z^k, v(z))$

$$u(z) - v(z) = z^{k+l} \perp + o(|z|^{k+l})$$

↳ usually enough info. to sort out the intersection behaviour.

- averaging trick: gives the coordinate system. C' at p , smooth everywhere else.

Consequences:

Local intersection properties:

- 1) Intersections / singular pts are isolated.
- 2) local intersections are positive.
- 3) singular points contribute positively to the self-intersection number of a curve

Global consequences

- Suppose $u_i: (\Sigma_i, i) \rightarrow (W, J)$ $i=1,2$
connected; images are not identical
 Σ_i closed

Then $[u_1] \cdot [u_2] \geq 0$
 $= 0$ iff $u_1(\Sigma_1) \cap u_2(\Sigma_2) = \emptyset$

- Adjunction inequality

$$u: (\Sigma, j) \rightarrow (W, J)$$

Σ closed, u simple

Then $[u] \cdot [u] = c_1(Nu) + 2\delta(u)$
 \downarrow normal bundle \neq \downarrow double points.

$$= \langle C_1(\tau W, J), [u] \rangle - \chi(\Sigma) + 2\delta(u).$$

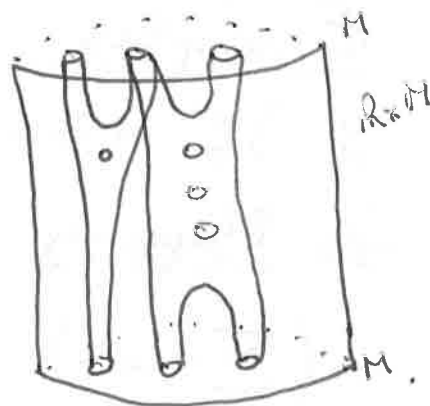
(N.B. In this form, the formula makes sense and holds for non-immersed curves).

Thus: $[u] \cdot [u] - \langle C_1(\tau W, J), [u] \rangle + \chi(\Sigma) = 2\delta(u) \geq 0$

SFT:

Say M is a contact (ctd) 3-fold. \times Reeb v.f.
 In $\mathbb{R} \times M$ study punctured J -hol curves
 and try to extend previous results

local theory (M-W) extends



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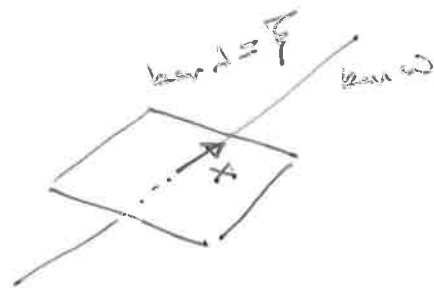
1. Finiteness?
2. Homotopy invariance (n disappears at the ends)
1. Turns out to be OK, but for 2 more work is needed.
3. Define a relative intersection number by picking a trivialization at the ends.
 What is the relation between the rel int. and the actual count of intersections?

Stable Hamiltonian structures (S.H.S.)

(a generalization of the cot setup)

M^3 $d-1$ form
 $\omega - 2$ form.

1) $d \wedge \omega > 0 \rightarrow$ splitting of TM as $\ker d \oplus \ker \omega$
 want $\omega|_{\ker d}$ non-deg.



2) $d\omega = 0$.

3) d vanishes on $\ker \omega$

$d(x) = 1$.

$$TM = \mathbb{R}x \oplus (\xi, \omega)$$

Examples

1) If d is a contact form $(d, \frac{d^2}{\omega})$ is a S.H.S.

2) Mapping tori of periodic Hamiltonian flows.

$$(\Sigma^2, \mathbb{R}) \quad H_t: S^1 \times \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

\downarrow
 \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}
 \downarrow
 t

$$M = S^1 \times \Sigma, \quad d = dt$$

$$\omega = \mathbb{R} + dt \wedge d_t H_t$$

$$X = \partial_t + X_{H_t}$$

$$i_{X_{H_t}} \omega = -dH_t$$

→ Define a class of compatible a.e.s.

$$TM = \mathbb{R} \times \oplus (\mathbb{F}, \omega)$$

consider

$J \in \text{End}(\mathbb{F})$, $J^2 = -\text{Id}$, $\omega(\cdot, J\cdot)$ is symmetric and pos. def on $\mathbb{F} \times \mathbb{F}$

Extend to a cylindrical a.e.s. on $\mathbb{R} \times M$, \tilde{J}

$$T(\mathbb{R} \times M) = \mathbb{R} \partial_t \oplus \mathbb{R} X + \mathbb{F} \text{ such that}$$

$$\tilde{J}|_{\mathbb{F}} = J; \quad \tilde{J} \partial_t = X.$$

Consider (Σ, j) a closed Riemann surf.

$$u: \Sigma \setminus \Gamma \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \times M, \quad \tilde{J}\text{-hol. o.t.}$$

↑
finiteset

near the punctures $(\partial \Gamma)$, the curve is asymptotic to $\mathbb{R} \times \gamma$ where γ is a periodic orbit of X .

Example: Mapping torus of a radial quadratic Ham.

$$M = S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^2 = (t, x, y) = (t, r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$$

$\mathbb{R} / 2\pi \mathbb{Z}$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \alpha v^2$$

$$\omega_0 = dx \wedge dy = r dr \wedge d\theta$$

$$\omega_X = r \alpha dt \wedge dr + \omega_0$$

$$\lambda = dt, \quad \mathbb{F} = T\mathbb{R}^2, \quad (\lambda, \omega_X), \quad J = i$$

$$\text{Then } \tilde{J} = \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ \Delta(x, y) & i \end{bmatrix} \quad \Delta(x, y) = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -y & x \\ x & y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \partial_t + \alpha \partial_\theta$$

$$= \partial_t + \alpha (-y \partial_x + x \partial_y)$$

$$= (0, 1, -y\alpha, x\alpha) \text{ in } (a, t, x, y) \text{ coords}$$

Also: a map of the form

$$(s, t) \in \mathbb{R} \times S^1 \mapsto (s, t, u(s, t)) \text{ is } \mathbb{J} \text{ hol}$$

precisely when h satisfies.

$$h_s + i h_t - \alpha h = 0.$$

In $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L^2(S^1, \mathbb{R}^2)$ the \mathbb{J} -hol equation looks like.
($h(s, \cdot)$)

$$h' - A t = 0, \quad A = -i \partial_t - \alpha, \text{ a self-adjoint operator.}$$

$$\Rightarrow h(s, t) = e^{d_i s} a_i e_i(t)$$

d_i : e-val

e_i : e-vector with e-val d_i

← particular solution.

So, the general solution is,

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{(k-\alpha)s} c_k e^{ikt}.$$

Convergence for $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ at $\infty \Rightarrow$

$$c_k = 0 \quad \forall k. \text{ st. } k - \alpha \geq 0.$$

$$u(s, t) = (s, t, \underbrace{e^{-(1+\alpha)s} e^{-it}}_{u(s, t)}) \quad -1 < \alpha < 0$$

This is a half cylinder.

$$V_\epsilon(s, t) = (s, t, \underbrace{e^{-(1+\alpha)s} (1+\epsilon) e^{-it} + e^{-(2+\alpha)s} e^{-i2t}}_{V_\epsilon(s, t)})$$

Count intersections for different small values of ϵ .
Intersection number = algebraic count of 0's

$$\text{of } u(s, t) - V_\epsilon(s, t)$$

$$\text{int. no.} = - \left(\epsilon e^{-(1+\alpha)s} e^{-it} + e^{-(\theta+\alpha)s} e^{-i2t} \right)$$

$$\approx \text{winding} \quad U(s, \cdot) - V_\epsilon(s, \cdot) - \text{wind}_{s=0} (U(s, \cdot) - V_\epsilon(s, \cdot))$$

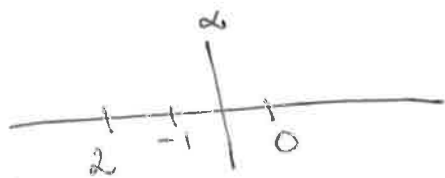
$$\text{If } s \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{wind } (U - V_\epsilon) \approx -2 \quad (\epsilon \text{ small})$$

$$\text{Large wind } (U - V_\epsilon) = \begin{cases} -1 & \epsilon \neq 0 \\ -2 & \epsilon = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{int \#} = \begin{cases} -1 - (-2) = 1 & \epsilon \neq 0 \text{ small} \\ 0 & \epsilon = 0 \end{cases}$$

So an intersection vanishes at ∞ ,
as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

and is traded for a higher degree of tangency at $+\infty$.



When $\epsilon \neq 0$ no new \cap at $+\infty$ appear.

We compute rel. \cap no. by perturbing V_ϵ near the end.

$$V_{\epsilon, \epsilon'} = (s, t, V_\epsilon(s, t) + \epsilon')$$

Compute \cap no. of U and $V_{\epsilon, \epsilon'}$.

$$\text{wind}_{\text{large}} (U - (V_\epsilon + \epsilon')) - \text{wind}_{s=0} (U - V_\epsilon - \epsilon')$$

$$U - V_\epsilon - \epsilon' = - \left(\epsilon e^{-(1+\alpha)s} e^{-it} + e^{-(\theta+\alpha)s} e^{-i2t} + \epsilon' \right)$$

$$\text{wind}_{\text{large}} = 0 \quad \left| \quad \text{wind}_{s=0} = -2 \quad (\text{given by 2nd term}) \right.$$

(given by ϵ') $\quad \epsilon' \neq 0$

So, the intersection number of U and $V_{\epsilon, \epsilon'}$
is +2 in both cases, for all ϵ, ϵ' small,
 $\epsilon' \neq 0$

So when the ends are separated, can argue that
at least 1 intersection appears.