### **Title**

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# 1 Chapter 9

## $\mathbf{2} \mid$ 9.1 and Review

- $(M, \omega)$  a symplectic manifold,  $H \in ?$  a Hamiltonian,  $X_H$  its ?
- $\int_{S^2} u^* \omega = \sigma_1$  where  $u \in C^{\infty}(S^2, W)$ .
- $\langle c_1(TW), \ \pi_2(TW) \rangle = 0$ ?
- $C_k(H) := \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}[S]$  where S is the set of periodic orbits of  $X_H$  of Maslov index k.
- x, y critical points of  $\mathcal{A}_H$  with  $\mathcal{M}(x, y)$  the moduli space of contractible solutions of finite energy connecting x, y.

#### 2.1 Review Last Time

- $\mathbb{R} \curvearrowright \mathcal{M}_{x,y}$ , so we quotient to define  $\mathcal{L}(x,y) := \mathcal{M}_{x,y}/\mathbb{R}$  with the quotient topology.
- Topology defined by when sequences converge:

$$\tilde{u}_n \stackrel{n \to \infty}{\to} \tilde{u} \iff \exists \{s_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } u_n(s_n + s, \cdot) \stackrel{n \to \infty}{\to} u(s, \cdot).$$

#### Proposition 2.1(?).

 $\mathcal{L}(x,y)$  is Hausdorff.

- Want to show  $\mathcal{L}(x,y)$  is a compact 0-dimensional manifold.
- Have a differential

$$\partial: C_k(H) \longrightarrow C_{k-1}(H)$$

$$\partial(x) = \sum_{\text{Ind}(y)=k-1} n(x,y)y.$$

with n(x,y) the number (mod 2) of trajectories of grad  $A_H$  connecting x,y, i.e solutions to the Floer equation.

• Want to prove that the following is a 1-dimensional manifold:

$$M := \overline{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) = \mathcal{L}(x,z) \cup_{\mu(y)=\mu(x)+1} \mathcal{L}(x,y) \times \mathcal{L}(y,z).$$

and show that M is compact with  $\partial M$  equal to the last union.

- Last time: closure of space of trajectories connecting x, y contains "broken" trajectories.
- Last time: toward proving that M is compact

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- Wanted to compactify  $\mathcal{L}(x,y)$ , needed to go to space of broken trajectories.
- Main theorem of chapter 9: 9.2.1.

#### Theorem 3.1(9.2.1).

Let (H, J) be a regular pair with H nondegenerate.

Let x, z be two periodic trajectories of H such that  $\mu(x) = \mu(z) + 2$ .

Then  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}(x,y)$  is a compact 1-manifold with boundary satisfying

$$\partial \overline{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) = \bigcup_{\mu(x) < \mu(y) < \mu(z)} \mathcal{L}(x,y) \times \mathcal{L}(y,z).$$

As a corollary,  $\partial^2 = 0$ .

- Know  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}(x,y)$  is compact and  $\mathcal{L}(x,y)$  is a 1-manifold
- Now suffices to study in a neighborhood of boundary points ("gluing theorem")

#### 3.1 Three steps to gluing theorem

1. Pre-gluing: Get a function  $w_p$  which interpolates between u and v (not exactly a solution itself, but will be approximated by one later).

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2. Constructing  $\psi$  a "true solution" from  $w_p$  using the Newton-Picard method. We'll have

$$\psi(p) = \exp_{w_p}(\gamma(p))$$
  $\gamma(p) \in W^{1,p}(w_p^* TW) = T_{w_p} \mathcal{P}(x, z).$ 

where  $\mathcal{P} = ?$ .

- 3. Get a lift  $\hat{\psi} = \pi \circ \psi$  where  $\pi = ?$  satisfying
- $\bullet \quad \widehat{\psi}(p) \stackrel{n \to \infty}{\to} (\widehat{u}, \widehat{v})$
- $\widehat{\varphi}$  is an embedding
- $\hat{\psi}$  is unique in the following sense (the last point)

#### Theorem 3.2(9.2.3 (Gluing Theorem)).

Let x, y, z be critical points of the action functional  $A_H$  such that  $\mu(x) = \mu(y) + 1 = \mu(z) + 2$ . Let  $(u, v) \in \mathcal{M}(x, y) \times \mathcal{M}(y, z)$  be trajectories, inducing  $(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \in \mathcal{L}(x, y) \times \mathcal{L}(y, z)$ .

- There exist a differentiable map  $\psi:(\rho_0,\infty)\to\mathcal{M}(x,z)$  for some  $\rho>0$  such that
- $\pi \circ \psi : (\rho_0, \infty) \to \mathcal{L}(x, z)$  is an embedding  $\hat{\psi} \stackrel{\rho \to \infty}{\to} (\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \in \overline{\mathcal{L}(x, z)}$ .
- If  $\ell_n \in \mathcal{L}(x,z)$  with  $\ell_n \stackrel{n \to \infty}{\to} (\bar{u},\bar{v})$ , then for  $n \gg 1$  we have  $\ell \in \Im(\widehat{\psi})$ .

## 9.3: Pre-gluing

- Choose a bump function  $\beta$  on  $\{0\}^c \subset \mathbb{R} \to [0,1]$  which is 1 on  $|x| \geq 1$  and 0 on  $|x| < \varepsilon$
- Split into positive and negative parts  $\beta^{\pm}$ :

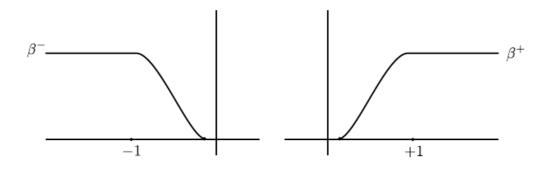


Figure 1: Figure 9.3

• Define the interpolation  $w_{\rho}$  from u to v in the following way:

$$w_{\rho}(s,t) = \begin{cases} u(s+\rho,t) & \text{if } s \leq -1\\ \exp_{y(t)} \left(\beta^{-}(s) \exp_{y(t)}^{-1} (u(s+\rho,t)) + \beta^{+}(s) \exp_{y(t)}^{-1} (v(s-\rho,t))\right) & \text{if } s \in [-1,1]\\ v(s-\rho,t) & \text{if } s \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

• Why does this make sense?

$$|s| \leq 1 \implies u(s \pm \rho, t) \in \left\{ \exp_{y(t)} Y(t) \; \middle| \; \sup_{t \in S^1} \|Y(t)\| \leq r_0 \right\}.$$

## **5** | 9.4: Construction of $\psi$ .

- Have constructed  $w_{\rho} \in C^{\infty}_{\searrow}(x,z)C^{\infty}(x,z)$  for every  $\rho \geq \rho_0$ , since there is exponential decay.
- Yields  $\psi_{\rho} \in \mathcal{M}(x,z)$  a true solution (to be defined).
- Need to check that  $\mathcal{F}(\psi_{\rho}) = 0$  where

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + J \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \text{grad } Hx$$

in the weak sense.

-  $\psi_{\rho}$  already continuous, and by elliptic regularity, makes it a strong solution.