

3. Symplectic embedding

Given two Liouville domain (U, ω_U) and (V, ω_V) , a symplectic emb is an emb $\varphi: U \hookrightarrow V$ s.t. $\varphi^* \omega_V = \omega_U$.

Ex. $(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_{std}) (\simeq (\mathbb{C}^n, \omega_{std}))$

$$E(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \left\{ (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \frac{\pi |z_1|^2}{a_1} + \dots + \frac{\pi |z_n|^2}{a_n} \leq 1 \right\} \leftarrow \text{symplectic ellipsoid}$$

$$B(r) = E(r, \dots, r), \quad Z(R) = E(R, \infty, \dots, \infty)$$

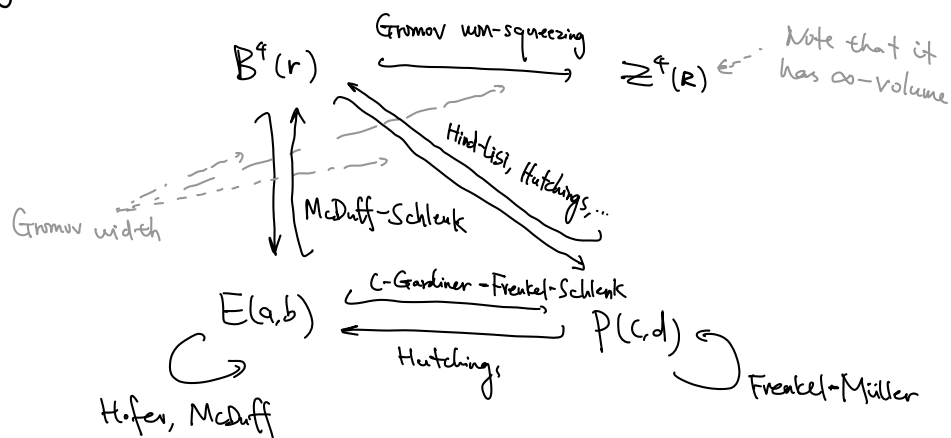
\uparrow symplectic ball \uparrow symplectic cylinder. $\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}$ no constraint on z_2, \dots, z_n .

$$P(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \left\{ (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \pi |z_1|^2 \leq a_1, \dots, \pi |z_n|^2 \leq a_n \right\} \leftarrow \text{polydisk}$$

Prk. $\partial P(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is not smooth.

Prk. All cases above admit \mathbb{T}^n -action by $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \cdot (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ defined by $(e^{i\theta_1} z_1, \dots, e^{i\theta_n} z_n) \Rightarrow$ toric domain

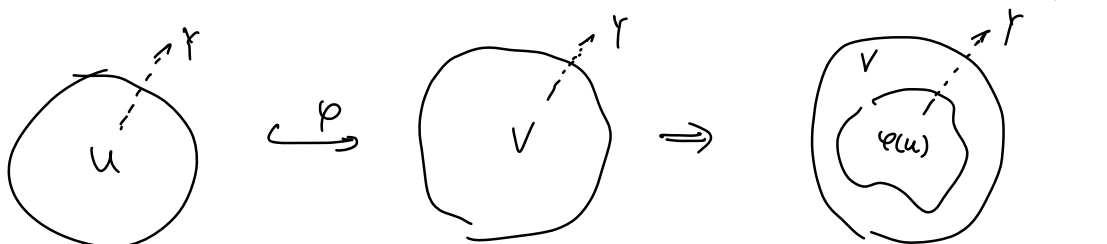
Finding obstructions of embedding is a central topic in symplectic geometry.



Thm (Gromov) $B^{2n}(r) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{2n}(\mathbb{R})$ iff $r \leq R$.

Item $P(a,b) \hookrightarrow P(c,d)$ with $a \leq c$ but $b \geq d$, then $c \geq 2a$. \Leftarrow

For $u, V \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ Liouville domains (w/nt γ radial v.f.),



Assume $\varphi(u)$ is also star-shaped, then $V \setminus \text{int}(\varphi(u)) =: W$ satisfies the following properties

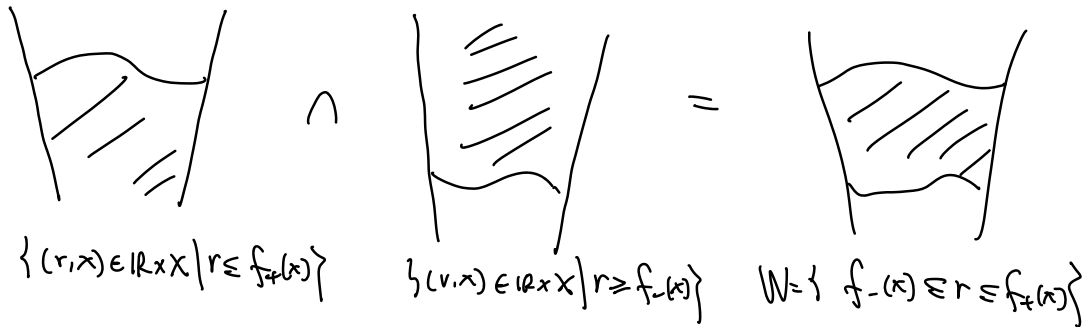
- $\partial W = \overline{\gamma} \partial \varphi(u) \sqcup \partial V$
with negative orientation
- Both $(\partial \varphi(u), \ker \lambda|_{\partial \varphi(u)})$ and $(\partial V, \ker \lambda|_{\partial V})$ are contact manifolds
when $\lambda = \gamma \omega_{\text{std}}$.
- $\gamma \not\subset \partial V$ pointing outward, $\gamma \not\subset \partial \varphi(u)$ pointing inward.

Such $(W, \omega_{\text{std}}|_W)$ is a Liouville cobordism from $\partial \varphi(u)$ to ∂V . or exact

Link More general, if γ is not globally defined, i.e. when $\partial W = -\partial W_- \sqcup \partial W_+$
 $\exists \gamma_-$ near ∂W_- and γ_+ near ∂W_+ .

Ex $(X, \mathcal{I} = \ker \alpha) \rightsquigarrow (M = \mathbb{R} \times X, \omega = d(e^r \alpha))$

Given any two functions $f_-, f_+ : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $f_- < f_+$ ptwise.



$$\{(r, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times X \mid r \leq f_+(x)\} \cap \{(r, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times X \mid r \geq f_-(x)\} = W = \{f_-(x) \leq r \leq f_+(x)\}$$

Then W is a Liouville cobordism from $\{r = f_-(x)\}$ to $\{r = f_+(x)\}$.

- In particular, a Liouville domain U is a Liouville cobordism W with $\partial W_- = \emptyset$.
- For a contact manifold (X, \mathcal{I}) , a Liouville filling (or an exact filling) is a Liouville domain (U, ω) s.t. $(\partial U, \ker \lambda|_{\partial U}) = (X, \mathcal{I})$.

Prop \nexists Liouville cobordism $(W, \omega = d\lambda)$ s.t. $\partial W_+ = \emptyset$.

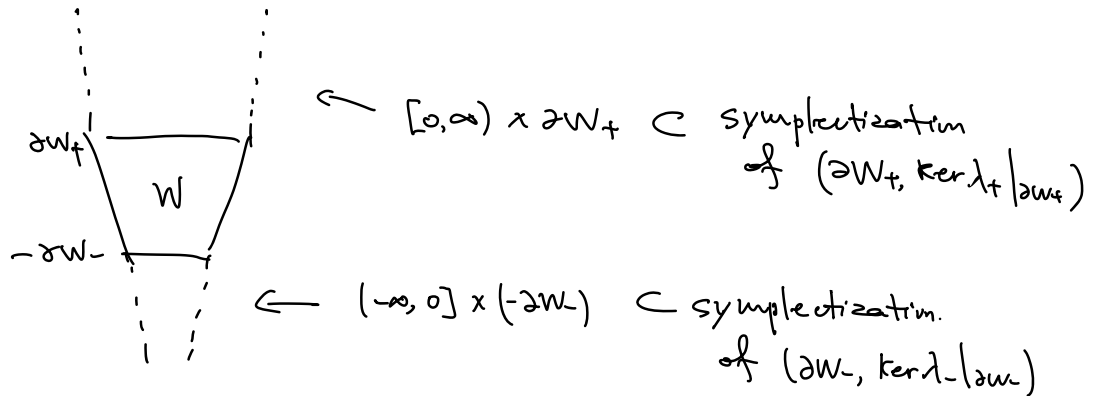


$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{\int_W \omega \wedge \dots \wedge \omega}_{>0} &= \int_W d(\lambda \wedge d\lambda \wedge \dots \wedge d\lambda) \\ &= \int_{\partial W_+} \lambda \wedge d\lambda \wedge \dots \wedge d\lambda - \int_{\partial W_-} \lambda \wedge d\lambda \wedge \dots \wedge d\lambda \\ &= 0 - (\text{positive}) < 0 \end{aligned} \quad \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

\Rightarrow symplectic cobordism is NOT an equivalence relation.
(not symmetric).

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Given a symplectic cobordism (W, ω) , one can "complete" it by gluing positive cylindrical end and negative cylindrical end



Ex For a Liouville domain $(U, \omega = d\lambda)$, its completion is a non-cpt exact symp mfd $(\hat{U}, \omega = d\lambda)$

$$E(q_1, \dots, q_n) \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} (\mathbb{C}^n, \omega_{std})$$

$$(Q, g) \rightarrow U_g^*(Q) \approx \{ (q, p) \mid \|p\|_{g_q} \leq 1 \} \quad \text{unit cotangent bundle}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{completion}} (T^*(Q), \omega_{can})$$

Point Completion allows us to work with a non-cpt (exact) symp mfd instead of a mfd with b/d (which is always harder). //