# Non-orientable Lagrangian surfaces in rational 4-manifolds and symplectic packing problems

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#### Today:

 $X = X_k = \mathbb{CP}^2 \# k \overline{\mathbb{CP}^2}$ : rational 4-manifold

L: non-orientable Lagrangian surface within a fixed homology class  $A \in H_2(X; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ 



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- $\mathbb{CP}^2$ , with Fubini-Study form  $\omega_{FS}$ .  $L \subset \mathbb{CP}^2$ : real part  $\Rightarrow L$  is Lagrangian,  $L \cong \mathbb{RP}^2$ ,  $[L] \neq 0$

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Idea of proof:

find Lagrangian  $m\mathbb{RP}^2$  with small m

- +"Lagrangian" connected sum
- +Lagrangian blowup

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- Let  $L_1, L_2 \subset X$  be two disjoint Lagrangian surfaces. Then there exists a Lagrangian surface L' given by perturbing  $L_2$  to create two intersection points and applying Lagrangian surgery.  $L' \cong L_1 \# L_2 \# 2 \mathbb{RP}^2, [L'] = [L_1] + [L_2].$  In particular, if  $L_2 = T^2, [L_2] = 0$ , then  $L' \cong L_1 \# 4 \mathbb{RP}^2, [L'] = [L].$

# Symplectic/Lagrangian/relative blowup

Symplectic blowup:

Let  $\tilde{B} = \{(z, l) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{CP}^1 \mid z \in l\}$ ,  $\tilde{B}_{\varepsilon} = \{(z, l) \in \tilde{B} \mid |z| \leq \varepsilon\}$ , and  $B_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |z| \leq r\}$ . There are two natural projections  $p_1 : \tilde{B} \to \mathbb{C}^2$ , and  $p_2 : \tilde{B} \to \mathbb{CP}^1$ .  $p_1$  implies that  $\tilde{B}$  is the blowup of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  at the origin.

For any  $\lambda > 0$ , let  $\omega_{\lambda} = p_1^* \omega_0 + \lambda^2 p_2^* \omega_{FS}$  be the induced symplectic form on  $\tilde{B}$ .

There is a symplectomorphism

$$\alpha: (\tilde{B}_{\varepsilon} - \mathbb{CP}^1, \omega_{\lambda}) \cong (B_{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + \varepsilon^2}} - \overline{B_{\lambda}}, \omega_0).$$

Let X be a symplectic 4-manifold,  $x \in U \subset X$  and  $\delta > \sqrt{\lambda^2 + \varepsilon^2}$ ,  $\phi: (U, \omega) \to (B_\delta, \omega_0)$  a symplectomorphism with  $\phi(x) = 0$ . A symplectic blowup of X at x is  $X' = (X - \phi^{-1}(B_\lambda) \cup \tilde{B}_\varepsilon / \sim$  where  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a = \alpha(b)$  and a symplectic form  $\omega'$  on X' is induced by  $\omega$  and  $\omega_\lambda$ .

Let  $p: X' \to X$  the project map,  $E = PD(\mathbb{CP}^2) \in H^2(X'; \mathbb{Z})$ . Then  $[\omega'] = [p^*\omega] + \pi \lambda^2 E$ .

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#### Relative blowup:

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- $\mathcal{K}(X) = \{ \text{symplectic canonical classes} \}$   $C_{\mathcal{K}}(X) = \{ [\omega] | \omega \in \Omega(X), \mathcal{K}_{\omega} = \mathcal{K} \}$  $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{K}(X), \ \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{K}}(X) = \{ e \in H^2(X; \mathbb{Z}) | PD(e) \text{ is represented by a smoothly embedded (-1)-sphere, } e \cdot \mathcal{K} = -1 \}.$

#### Theorem (Li-Liu)

Let X be a closed oriented smooth 4-manifold and  $b^+(X) = 1$ ,  $C(X) \neq \emptyset$ .

- **1** Any class in  $\mathcal{E}_K(X)$  is represented by a  $\omega$ -symplectic (-1)-sphere for any  $\omega \in \mathcal{C}_K(X)$ .
- **③**  $|\mathcal{K}(X)|$  < ∞ and  $\mathcal{K}(X)$  is transitive under diffeomorphism.

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- Question:
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The structure of symplectic cone is related to the symplectic packing problem.

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i.e.  $\varphi(c_1, \dots, c_k) \in Emb(X - Z, \omega)$ Similarly, a relative packing  $\varphi(c_1, \dots, c_k) \in Emb(X - Z, \omega)$ induces a symplectic structure in  $X \# \overline{\mathbb{CP}^2}$ . But we don't know if the converse is true.

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• Use Cremona transformation, it is enough to understand  $C_{1,H}(X_k)$ .

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#### Questions:

- Is  $C_{1,H}(X_k)$  a polyhedron?
- Can  $C_{1,H}(X_8)$  be determined by finite many hyperplanes in  $C(X_9)$ ?
- More symmetric structures on  $C_{1,H}(X_k)$ ,  $C_1(X_k)$ .

# Thank you