

# Lecture 1

## An introduction to Lagrangian Geometry

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# Lagrangian submanifolds

1.  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$ ,  $\omega_0 = \sum dx^i \wedge dy^i$ ,  $\Omega = dz^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dz^n$   $z_j = x_j + iy_j$

$L^n$   $n$ -dimal submanifold is called Lag. if  $\omega|_L = 0$

Ex: (a)  $x^1 \dots x^n$  plane

(b)  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

the graph of  $(x, \nabla f) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^n})$

$$\omega|_L = dx^j \wedge \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^j \partial x^k} dx^k = 0$$

If  $L$  is Lag.  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  o.n basis at  $T_x L$

$e_1, \mathcal{J}e_1, \dots, e_n, \mathcal{J}e_n$  o.n basis for  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$

$$\Omega(T_x L) = \det_a(e_1, \dots, e_n) = e^{i\theta}$$

$\theta: L \longrightarrow \frac{R}{2\pi}$  is called *Lag angle*

$$H = J \nabla \theta$$

$$\Omega(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n) = e^{i\theta}$$

$$\text{apply } e_j \Rightarrow i e_j(0) e^{i\theta} = \Omega(e_1, \dots, \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} e_k, \dots, e_n)$$

other terms give 0  $\rightarrow$   $= \Omega(e_1, \dots, \langle \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} e_k, J e_k \rangle J e_k, \dots, e_n)$

$$= \langle \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} e_k, J e_k \rangle i e^{i\theta}$$

$$\text{Note } \langle \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} e_k, J e_k \rangle = \langle \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} e_j, J e_k \rangle = - \langle e_j, \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} J e_k \rangle$$

$$= - \langle e_j, J \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} e_k \rangle = \langle J e_j, \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} e_k \rangle = \langle H, J e_j \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow e_j(0) = \langle \nabla \theta, e_j \rangle = \langle J \nabla \theta, J e_j \rangle = \langle H, J e_j \rangle$$

$$\therefore H = J \nabla \theta$$

&  $\nabla$  define  $h_{ij}^R = \langle \bar{\nabla}_{e_i} e_j, J e_k \rangle$

fully symmetric

$$H=0 \iff \Theta = \text{constant } \Theta_0$$

Special Lag. of phase  $\Theta_0$ .

Be called special Lag. because from the notion of **calibration**

Def: A closed  $p$ -form  $\alpha$  in  $(M, g)$  is called a calibration  
if its comass is 1. i.e.  $\alpha(v_1, \dots, v_p) \leq 1$  & "=" achieved somewhere

$\Sigma^p \subset M$  is calibrated by  $\alpha$  if  $\alpha|_{\Sigma} = \text{Vol}_{\Sigma}$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha(T_x \Sigma) = 1 \quad \forall x \in \Sigma$$

Prop If  $\Sigma$  is a closed calibrated submfd, then  $\Sigma$   
has the least volume in its homology class

Pf: Suppose  $[\Sigma'] = [\Sigma]$ .

(exact case)

$$\text{Vol}(\Sigma) = \int_{\Sigma} \text{Vol}_{\Sigma} = \int_{\Sigma} \alpha = \int_{\Sigma'} \alpha \leq \int_{\Sigma'} \text{Vol}_{\Sigma'} = \text{Vol } \Sigma' \quad \#$$

(needs not to be smooth)

$\operatorname{Re}(\Omega)$  is a calibration

$$\operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\theta_0}\Omega)$$

$$\therefore |\Omega(v_1, \dots, v_n)| \leq 1$$

( $\Omega$  is exact)

$\Rightarrow$  min Lag are vol minimizing

② all these can be defined in a Calabi-Yau mfd

$(M, J, \omega, \Omega)$   $\omega$ : Kähler form  $\omega(u, v) = g(Ju, v)$

$\Omega$ : a parallel hol. (n.o.) form

Lag. Lag angle.  $H = \nabla\theta$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\Omega$  a calibration

slags play an importance role in string theory

We know little on the general existence of slag

LMCF is a natural & potential way for constructing  
slag

③ The notion of Lag is from symplectic manifold  $N^{2n}$   
(with a closed non-degenerate 2-form  $\omega$ )

ex: cotangent bundle  $N = TM$ ,  $\hat{\omega} = \sum dp^i \wedge dq^i$

one form  $\alpha = \sum p^i dq^i$  is a Lag submfd of  $N$  if  $d\alpha = 0$   
 $q^i$  coordinates for  $M$

On symplectic mfd

The map:  $TN \rightarrow T^*N$  is an isomorphism

$$v \mapsto \alpha_v(\cdot) =: \omega(v, \cdot) = \hat{i}_v \omega$$

If  $\varphi_t: L \rightarrow N$  Lag,  $\varphi_0 = \text{id}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt} \varphi_t|_{t=0} = V$

then  $d\alpha_v = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_t^* \omega = 0 &\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_t^* \omega|_{t=0} = \mathcal{L}_V \omega \\ &= \hat{i}_V d\omega + d\hat{i}_V \omega \end{aligned}$$



Recall. a Lag in a CY. has  $H = J \nabla \theta$

$$\mapsto d_H = \omega(H, \cdot) = g(JH, \cdot) = -\langle \nabla \theta, \cdot \rangle = -d\theta$$

$H$  is an infinitesimal Lag deformation v.f.

Expect MCF preserve Lag condition

(although  $\theta: L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/2\pi$ , defined up to  $2\pi$ , OK for  $\nabla \theta, d\theta$ )

If  $\theta$  can be lifted to  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued,  $L$  is called **graded Lag**

**Darboux coordinates**: for  $\forall p$  in symplectic mfd  $N$ .

$$\exists \text{ local coordinates } (x, y) \text{ near } p. \Rightarrow \omega = \sum dx^i \wedge dy^i$$

**Lag nbh Thm**:  $L$  Lag in  $N$ . then  $\exists$  an open nbh  $U$  of  $L$

in  $N$ , and an open nbh  $U'$  of  $L$  in  $T^*L$ , and

$$\text{an isomorphism } \varphi: U' \rightarrow U, \Rightarrow \varphi^*(\omega) = \hat{\omega} = \sum dp^i \wedge dq^i$$

(Exercise 1: check these 2 Thms)

$\Rightarrow$  nearby Lag can be written as the graph of closed 1-form  
( $C^1$ -close)

In particular, for function  $f$  on  $L$ , the graph of  $df$   
(if in  $U'$ ) gives nearby Lag

$\Rightarrow$  Expect and hope Lag can have similar features  
as hypersurfaces.

• Graphs of symplectomorphisms  $\varphi: N \mapsto N$ .  $\varphi^*(\omega) = \omega$

Give Lag submanifolds in  $(N, \omega) \times (N, -\omega)$

③ Kähler mfds  $(N, J, \omega)$  are symplectic mfds

•  $L$  Lag  $\Rightarrow T^\perp L = JTL$

$$\omega(u, v) = g \langle Ju, v \rangle$$

Can consider min Lag submfd



Here we also have the 2nd f.f on a Lag

$h(u, v, w) =: \langle \bar{\partial}_v u, Jw \rangle$  is totally symmetric

- For a cpt min Lag immersion in Kähler

$$\left. \frac{d^2 A_t}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0} = \int_L (|d\alpha_v|^2 + |\bar{\partial}\alpha_v|^2 - \bar{Ric}(v, v)) dVol_L$$

Exercise 2: prove the above formula

$\Rightarrow$  ① If  $\bar{Ric} \leq 0$ , stable (strict if  $\bar{Ric} < 0$ )

② If  $\bar{Ric} = 0$ , the Jacobi field  $\leftrightarrow \alpha_v$  harmonic 1-form

McLean: these Jacobi fields are unobstructed. ( $\star$ )

i.e can be realized as the deformation of SLag.

SLag: smooth local moduli space of  $\dim = b'(L; \mathbb{Z})$

③ If  $\bar{R}_{ic} > 0$  &  $b'(L, Z) \neq 0$ . unstable, but can consider deformation only with  $\alpha_V = df$ . Hamiltonian deformation

Hamilton stable iff  $\lambda_1(\Delta_g) \geq C$  (Oh)

From minimal submanifolds point of view, we are also interested in minimal Lagrangians

for Lag in Kähler. we have  $dd_H|_L = Ric|_L$  ★.

$Ric$ : Ric form defined by  $Ric(u, v) = Ric(Ju, v)$

$\Rightarrow$  (a) On a min Lag  $\omega|_L = 0$  &  $Ric|_L = 0$

hard to expect

(b) On Kähler-Einstein  $Ric = c\omega$ .

These two conditions coincide in  $KE$ . So restrict the search for  $\min Lag$  in  $KE$ .

- although we cannot define  $\Theta$ , and have  $d_H = -d\Theta$  on  $Lag$  in  $KE$ ,  $dd_H/L = Ric/L = c\omega/L = 0$

→ MCF in infinitesimal  $Lag$  deformation.

Study the existence of minimal  $Lag$  /  $SLag$

- Direct construction
- GMT
- Deformation
- Gluing
- LMC $\bar{F}$

(Thomas - Yau Conj, 2002)

Let  $L$  be a graded Lag in a CY, and satisfying some stable conditions. Then the LMCFl of  $L$  will exist for all time and converges to the unique sLag in its Hamiltonian class

(Neve '2013)

$\Sigma$  an embedded Lag in CY (surface). Then there exist  $L$  Hamiltonian isotopy to  $\Sigma$ , and the LMCFl of  $L$  develops a finite time singularity.

(Joyce '2014)

TY conjecture is refined. Fukaya Categories & Bridgeland stability. Surgeries will be needed & unobstructed Lag.