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Last time:  $L_0, L_1 \subseteq (X^{2n}, \omega)$  Lagrangian submanifolds,  $L_0 \pitchfork L_1$ .

Fix  $\Lambda$  field and  $T \in \Lambda$ :

- realistically,  $\Lambda = \{ \prod a_i T^{\lambda_i} \mid \lambda_i \rightarrow \infty, \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, a_i \in \mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C} \}$ ,  $T$  the formal variable
- dream (+ some nice situations):  $\Lambda = \mathbb{C}, T = 1$ .

We tentatively defined, based on the idea of Morse theory for  $A: \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(L_0, L_1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $CF^*(L_0, L_1) = \Lambda^{|L_0 \cap L_1|}$  and, w/rt some almost complex structure  $J$  on  $X$ , a "differential"

$$\partial_p = \sum_{\substack{q, u \in \mathcal{M}(p, q, J)/\mathbb{R} \\ \text{rigid}}} \frac{1}{T^{\langle u, u \rangle}} \cdot \text{sgn}(u) \cdot q$$

↑  $\pm 1$  (imagine  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}_2$ , so  $+1$ )

where  $\mathcal{M}(p, q, J) = \coprod_{\beta} \mathcal{M}(p, q, \beta, J)$ ,  $\beta \in \pi_2(\Pi; L_0, L_1, p, q)$

$$\text{and } \mathcal{M}(p, q, \beta, J) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u: (\mathbb{R} \times [0, 1], j) \rightarrow (X, J) \text{ in class } \beta \\ u(s, i) \in L_i \text{ for } i \in \{0, 1\} \\ \lim_{s \rightarrow +\infty} u(s, t) = p, \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} u(s, t) = q \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_{\bar{z}} u = \frac{1}{2} (du + J \circ du \circ j) = 0 \\ E(u) = \int u^* \omega < \infty \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right\}$$

- Want:
- (a) For generic  $J$ , each  $\mathcal{M}(p, q, \beta, J)$  is a finite-dimensional manifold, with a fixed "expected dimension"  $=: \text{ind}_{\bar{\partial}_J}(\beta)$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{M}(p, q, \beta, J)$  compactifiable with the desired "boundary strata"
  - (c) If the above hold,  $\mathcal{S}$  is well-defined and  $\mathcal{S}^2 = 0$ .

Let's talk about (a). Last time, we observed we could express  $\mathcal{M}(p, q, \beta, J) = \bar{\partial}_J^{-1}(0)$  where  $\bar{\partial}_J$  is a section of an infinite-dimensional vector bundle, for

$$B = C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times [0, 1], X, L_0, L_1, p, q, \beta)$$

$$E_u = C^\infty(\underbrace{\mathbb{R} \times [0, 1]}_{=: S}, \Omega_S^{0,1} \otimes u^* TX)$$

Toy model from finite dimensional differential topology: if  $f: M^m \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N^n$  submersion at  $p \in \Pi$  (ie  $Df_p: T_p M \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N$ ), the implicit function theorem tells us that  $f^{-1}(q)$  near  $p$  has a  $f(p)$

Smooth manifold structure, of dimension  $m-n$ .

Somewhat closer,  $V$  rank  $k$  vector bundle, want  $s^{-1}(o)$  to be

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \pi \\ M^m \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{a smooth manifold of the "right dimension"} \\ (m-k) \Leftrightarrow s^{-1}(o) \text{ 0-section in } V. \end{array}$$

The implicit function theorem applies at  $p \in s^{-1}(o)$ , provided we check  $d_s^\vee : T_p M \rightarrow T_{s(p)}^{\text{vert}} V = \ker ds$  is surjective.

Moreover,  $T_p(s^{-1}(o)) = \ker d_s^\vee$ .

Even if  $d_s^\vee$  is not surjective at  $p$ , we can determine an "expected dimension" as  $\text{ind}(d_p^\vee s) := \text{rk } \ker d_p^\vee s - \text{rk } \text{coker } d_p^\vee s$ .  
(it is  $m-k$  here, independent of  $p$ ).

For us,  $M$  and  $V$  are infinite dimensional, but in the nicest possible way:

**Theorem [Floer]:** if  $L_0 \pitchfork L_1$ , after extending  $\bar{\partial}_J$  to a suitable Sobolev completion, solving  $\bar{\partial}_J u = 0$  is a Fredholm problem, meaning that we have

$$\begin{array}{c} \bar{\partial}_J \\ \downarrow \pi \\ \mathcal{B}^{k,p} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^{k-1,p} \text{ (Banach bundle)} \\ \mathcal{B}^{k,p} \text{ (Banach manifold)} \end{array}$$

such that the linearization (vertical part of  $D(\bar{\partial}_J)$ ) at  $u \in \bar{\partial}_J^{-1}(o)$

$$\begin{array}{c} D_{\bar{\partial}_J}^u : W^{k,p}(S, u^*TX, u^*TL_0, u^*TL_1) \\ \downarrow \\ W^{k-1,p}(S, u^*TX) \end{array}$$

is Fredholm, i.e.

- the image is closed

- $\text{ind}(D_{\bar{\partial}_J}^u) = \text{rk } \ker(D_{\bar{\partial}_J}^u) - \text{rk } \text{coker}(D_{\bar{\partial}_J}^u) < \infty$

We say that  $u$  is regular if  $D_{\bar{\partial}_J}^u$  is surjective. In this case, an infinite-dimensional version of the implicit function theorem says that near  $u$ ,  $\mathcal{M}(p,q)$  is a finite dimensional manifold of

