

Floer Theory and Lagrangian Cobordisms

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Summary

Introduction

Applications of Lagrangian cobordisms

Decompositions and unobstructedness of Lagrangian cobordisms

Floer cohomology of surgery traces



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Motivation

How do we realize algebraic relations in the Fukaya category in terms of geometric relations between Lagrangian submanifolds?

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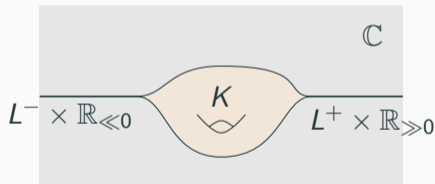
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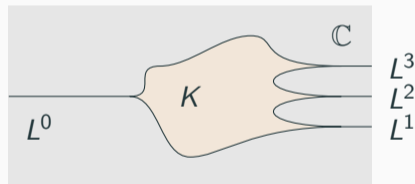


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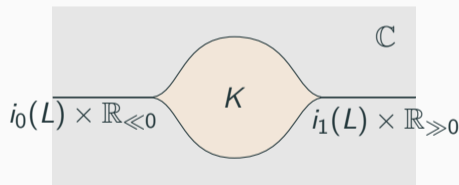
Example I: Suspension of Exact Homotopy

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$$L \times \mathbb{R} \hookrightarrow X \times \mathbb{C}$$

$$(x, t) \mapsto (i_t(x), t + \sqrt{-1}H_t(x))$$

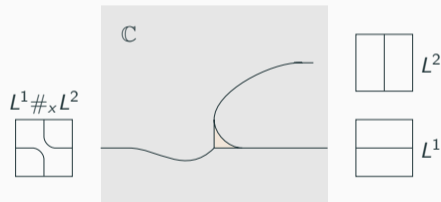
is a Lagrangian cobordism between $i_0(L)$ and $i_1(L)$.



Example II: Connect Sum and Cobordism

Let L^1, L^2 be Lagrangian submanifolds with transverse intersection at a point x . There is a *surgery trace cobordism*

$$K : (L^1, L^2) \rightsquigarrow L^1 \#_x L^2.$$



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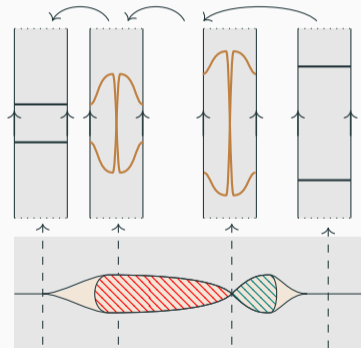
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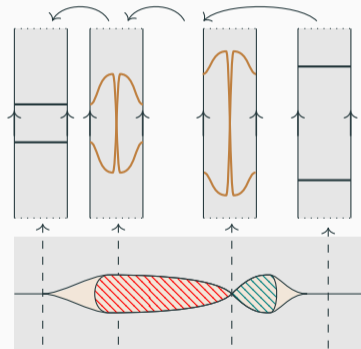


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We should only consider Lagrangians which are unobstructed (by bounding cochain).

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Using Lagrangian cobordisms...

- ... to produce “nice” resolutions in the Fukaya category
- ... to identify isomorphic Lagrangian branes

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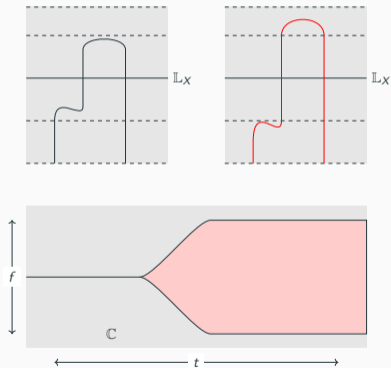
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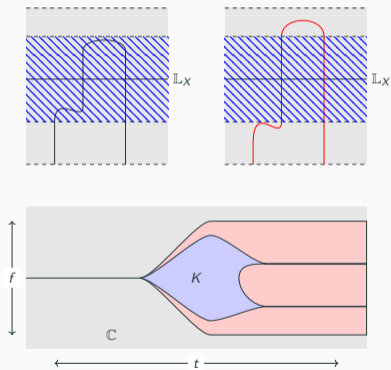
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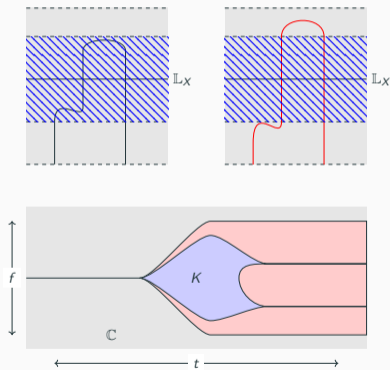
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Furthermore, let $t_1 < \dots < t_k$ be the values of $f(L \cap \mathbb{L}_X)$. Then

$$L^i = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(t_i)} \text{cocore}(x).$$



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A similar statement appears in [GPS18].

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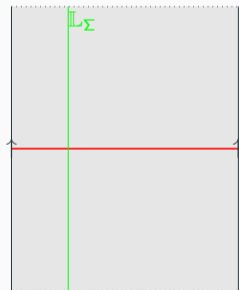
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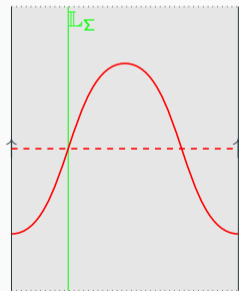
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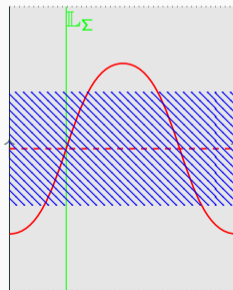
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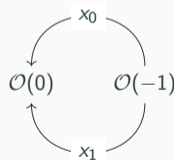
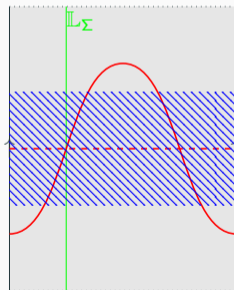
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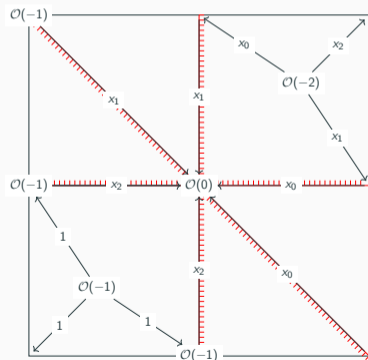
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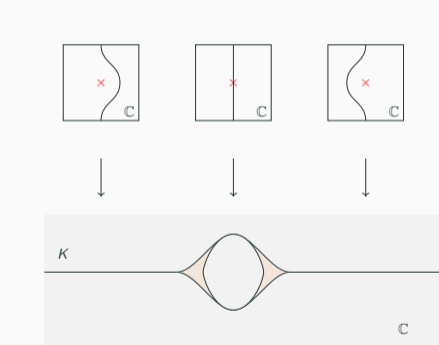
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Example: Resolving \mathcal{O}_{pt} in $\mathbb{C}P^2$



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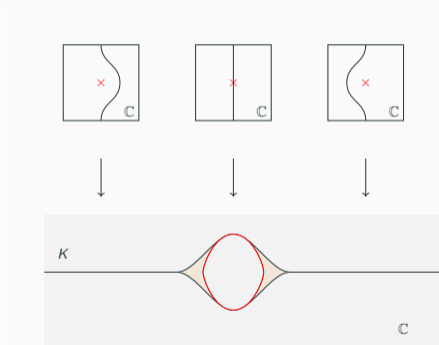


Consider the Lefschetz fibration

$$W : \mathbb{C}^2 \xrightarrow{xy} \mathbb{C}.$$

Consider the concatenation of the surgery trace cobordisms for two thimbles.

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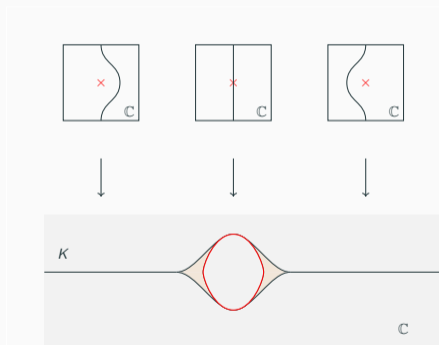


The red loop is the boundary of a regular Maslov 0 holomorphic disk u . u (and its multiple covers) are the only disks with boundary on K for the standard choice of almost complex structure.

We can find a non-compact 2-chain $b_0 \subset K$ so that

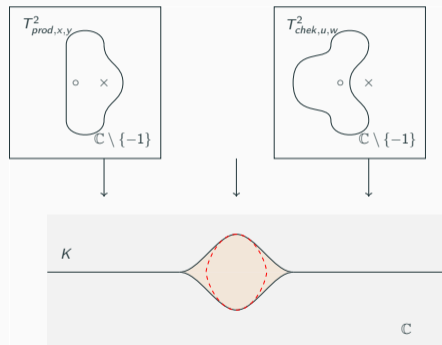
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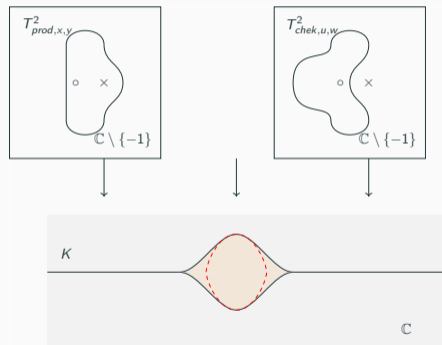


We use this model to obtain an *unobstructed* Lagrangian cobordism between monotone product and Chekanov tori,

$$T^2_{prod,x,y}, T^2_{chek,u,w} \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{-xy = 1\}$$

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By interpreting the bounding cochains on ends as a local systems we identify flux charts on Chek/Prod tori by

$$(u, w) \mapsto (u/(w-1), uw/(w-1)).$$

Matches Auroux wall-crossing formula.

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$$(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_1 + \sqrt{-1}\sigma_{1,k}2x_1x_0, \dots, x_n + \sqrt{-1}\sigma_{n,k}2x_nx_0, x_0^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{i,k}x_i^2 - \sqrt{-1}x_0).$$

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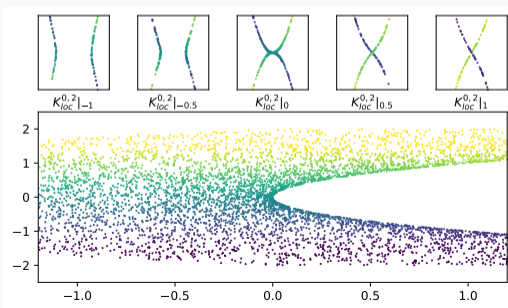
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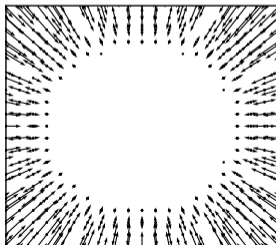
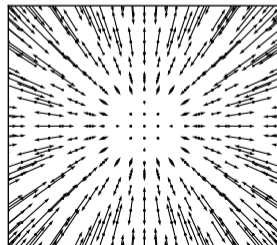
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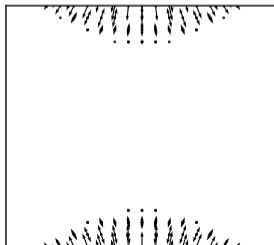
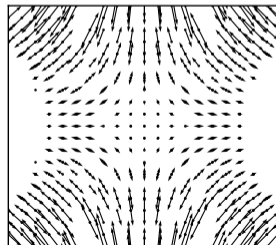
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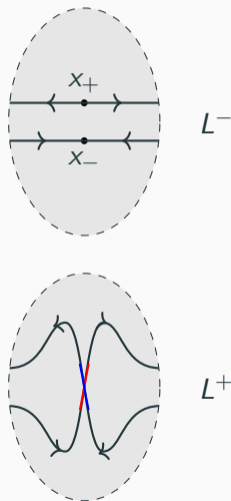
Floer cochains of the surgery trace

When $K^{k,n-k+1} : L^+ \rightsquigarrow L^-$ is a graded Lagrangian surgery trace cobordism, there exist Morse functions

$$f^\pm : L^\pm \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

agreeing away from the surgery neighborhood such that inside the surgery neighborhood, the critical points and self-intersections have the following degrees

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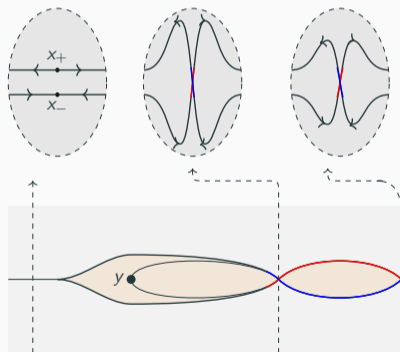
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Does this extend to homotopy equivalence?

Floer cohomology of surgery traces

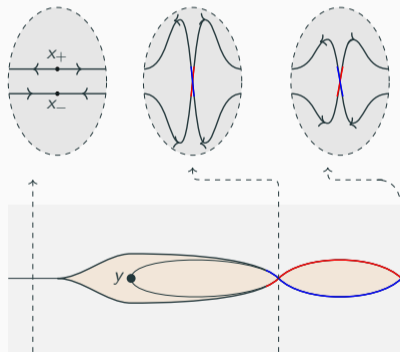
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In order to discuss the Floer cohomology for Lagrangian cobordisms with immersed ends, we need to apply a small perturbation to the ends of the Lagrangian cobordisms so that they have transverse intersections (bottle-neck trick, Mak and Wu).



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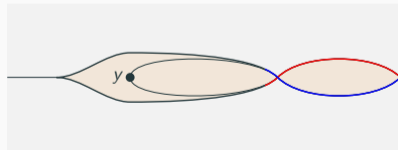
We take a Morse function for the surgery trace which agrees with $\operatorname{Re}(z)$ away from the ends of the Lagrangian cobordism, and agrees with f^\pm over the ends.



Floer cochains of immersed surgery trace

We obtain the following Floer cochains for K

Index			
$k + 1$	x_+		$(q_+, 1) \rightarrow (q_-, 1)$
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$n - k - 1$	x_-	$(q_-, 0) \rightarrow (q_+, 0)$	
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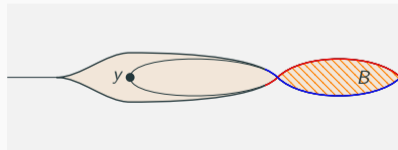
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There is a strip of area B pairing the left and right self-intersections.

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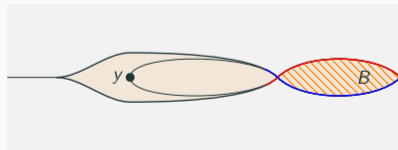


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There is an isolated Morse flow line from x_- and y .

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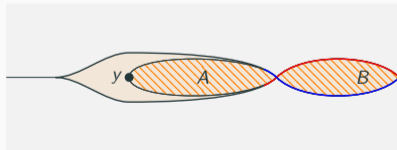
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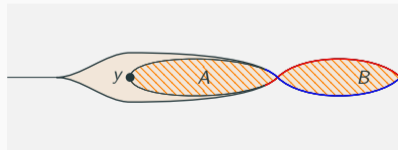
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This suggests that chains on LHS and RHS are cohomologically identified.
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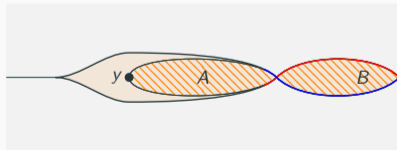
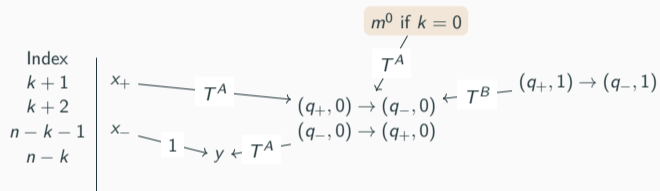
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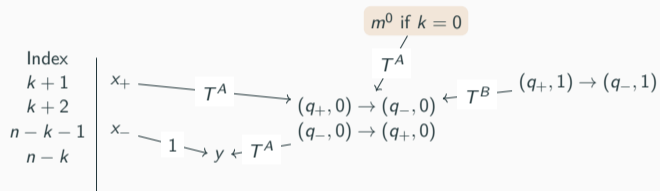
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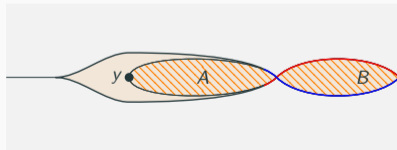
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When $B < A$,

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is a candidate bounding cochain.



Speculation

We expect that there are filtered A_∞ projections from the Floer A_∞ algebra of a Lagrangian cobordism to those of the ends.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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 & \swarrow \pi^- & \searrow \pi^+ \\
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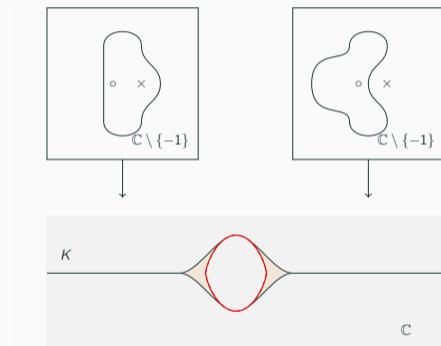
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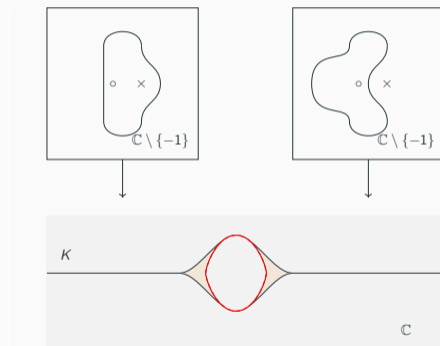
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Bounding cochain: Recall that we had a Lagrangian cobordism between the Chekanov and Product type tori in $\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{xy = -1\}$. The ends of this Lagrangian cobordism, when equipped with appropriate local systems, are isomorphic objects in the Fukaya category



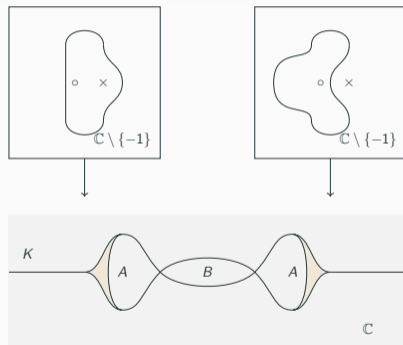
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Bounding cochain: We apply the cobordism decomposition result, giving an immersed Lagrangian cobordism which is the concatenation of a surgery, exact homotopy, and anti-surgery. Since $B < A$, we can find a bounding cochain cancelling the contribution from the holomorphic teardrop.

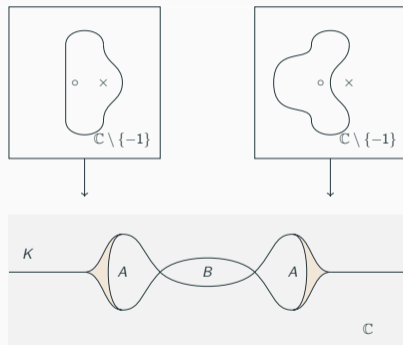


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 \swarrow & & & & \swarrow & & \searrow \\
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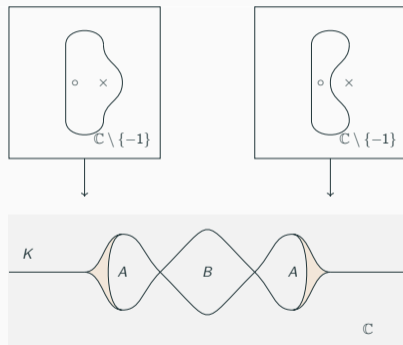
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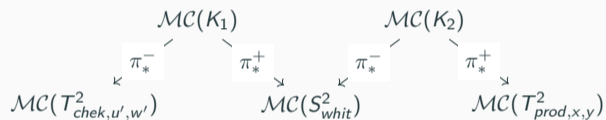


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No Bounding cochain: If we sweep out more flux over the exact homotopy, the ends of the Lagrangian cobordism can be disjoint (and in particular are not isomorphic!). In this setting, $B \geq A$, and it is not possible to find a bounding cochain cancelling the m^0 term arising from the count of teardrops.

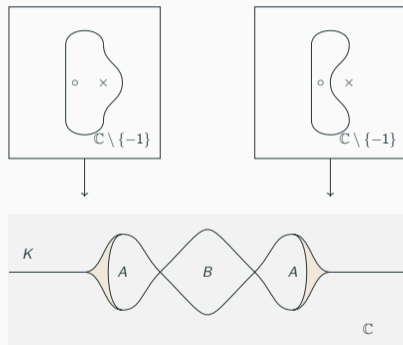


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