

by a Ham fcn  $H: [0,1] \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (s.t.  $\varphi_H' = p$ ), then  $\exists$  a global trivialization (as a surjective)

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_H: X \times S^1(0) &\longrightarrow Y_\varphi \\ (x, \theta) &\longrightarrow [(\varphi_H^\theta)_*(x), \theta] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } \Phi_H^* \lambda = \Phi_H^* (\pi^* d\theta) = (\pi \circ \Phi_H)^* d\theta = \pi^* d\theta$$

$$\Phi_H^* \omega_\varphi = \Phi_H^* (\pi_x^* \omega) = (\pi_x \circ \Phi_H)^* \omega = \omega - dH \wedge d\theta.$$

$$\Rightarrow (\Phi_H^* \omega_\varphi, \Phi_H^* \lambda) \text{ is a framed Ham str on } S^1(0) \times X.$$

One can also check that the Recb v.f. of  $(\Phi_H^* \omega_\varphi, \Phi_H^* \lambda)$  is

$$(\Phi_H^{-1})_* (R) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + X_H$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{b/c } (\Phi_H^* \omega_\varphi)((\Phi_H^{-1})_* (R), -)) &= (\omega - dH \wedge d\theta) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + X_H, - \right) \\ &= \omega(X_H, -) + dH(-) - \cancel{dH(X_H)} d\theta = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{flow of } (\Phi_H^{-1})_* R \text{ is } \text{rotation} + \text{Ham flow of } H$$


$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{closed "Recb" orbits on } S^1 \times X \\ \text{closed Hamiltonian orbits after integer time period.} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{In Ham Flow homology theory,} \\ \text{one usually considers } \underline{1\text{-periodic}} \\ \text{closed Ham orbit.} \end{array}$$

In this way, one can consider "all" Ham periodic orbits in a uniform framework.

Def A framing  $\lambda$  in  $(\omega, \lambda)$  on  $M^{2n-1}$  is called stable if

$$d\lambda(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, 0) \equiv 0 \quad (*)$$

where  $R_{(\omega, \lambda)}$  is the Reeb v.f. of  $(\omega, \lambda)$ .

Note that since  $\omega(R, -) \equiv 0$ , we know  $(*) \Leftrightarrow d\lambda = f \cdot \omega$  for some function  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Since  $f$  could be zero, so  $(*) \Leftrightarrow \ker(\omega) \subset \ker(d\lambda)$ .

Ex Contact wfd  $(\omega, \lambda) = (d\alpha, \alpha) \Rightarrow$  stable

mapping torus  $(\omega_\varphi, \lambda) \Rightarrow$  stable

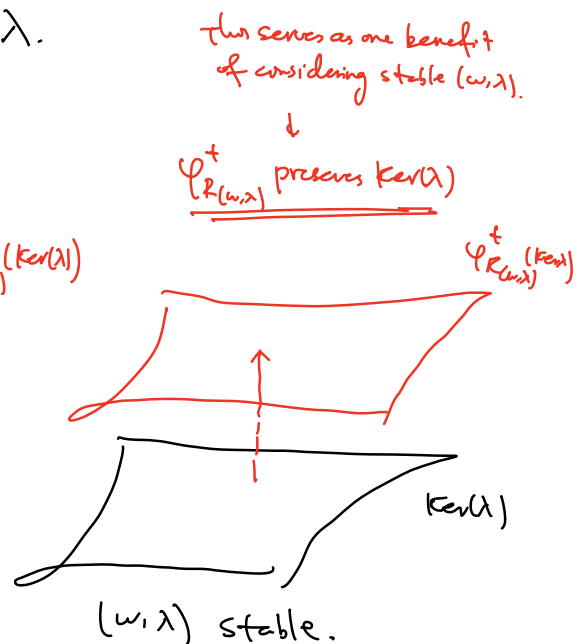
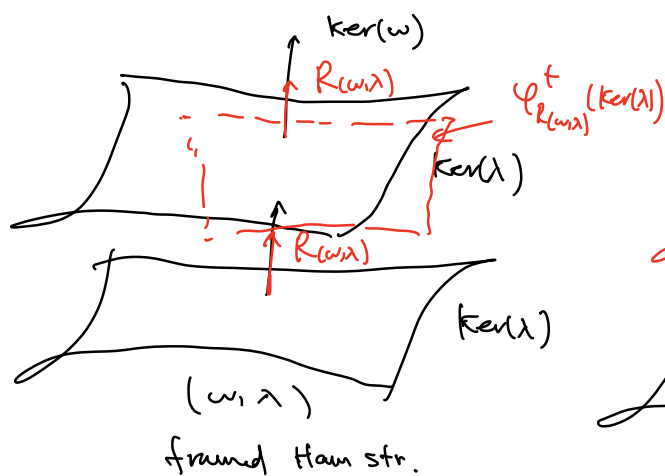
Link Recall that the flow of  $R_{(\omega, \lambda)}$  preserves  $\omega$  (for  $(\omega, \lambda)$ )

Here, for stable Ham str, we have

$$L_{R_{(\omega, \lambda)}} \lambda = d \underbrace{\iota_{R_{(\omega, \lambda)}} \lambda}_{\equiv 1} + \iota_{R_{(\omega, \lambda)}} d\lambda = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  the flow of  $R_{(\omega, \lambda)}$  also preserves  $\lambda$ .

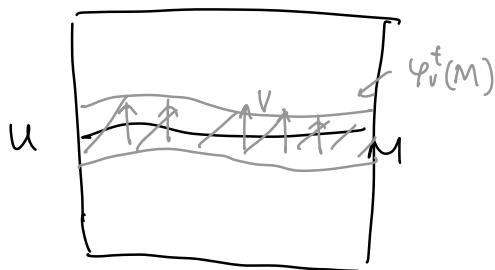
Comparison:



### 3. Symplectic cobordism

Exe.  $(X^{2n}, \omega)$  symplectic manifold,  $M^{2n-1} \subset X^{2n}$  spt hypersurface. Then TFAE:

- (1)  $\omega|_M$  admits a framing  $\lambda$  s.t.  $(\omega|_M, \lambda)$  is stable on  $M$ .  
 (2)  $\exists$  a NBH  $U$  of  $M$  in  $X$  that admits a v.f.  $V$  of  $M$ , its flow  $\varphi_V^r$  satisfies  $\varphi_V^r(M) \xrightarrow[\text{diff}]{\sim} M$  for  $r \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  and some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and  $(\varphi_V^r)_* \cdot \ker(\omega|_M) \cong$ .



In other words, NBH  $U$  of  $M$  in  $X$  is foliated by copies of  $M$  (up to diff) in an "orthogonal" way.

$\Rightarrow$  via  $\varphi_V^r$ , one can identify this NBH  $U$  of  $M$  with  $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M$

$$\begin{aligned} (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M &\xrightarrow{\Phi_V} U \\ (r, x) &\longrightarrow \varphi_V^r(x) \end{aligned} \quad \text{where } \{0\} \times M \cong M, \quad \partial_r \cong V$$

- Then study the closed 2-form  $\Phi_V^* \omega$  near  $M$ .

Observe that along  $\{0\} \times M$ , we have

$$(\Phi_V^* \omega)(a, b) = \omega|_{\pi^* M}((\varphi_V^0)_*(a), (\varphi_V^0)_*(b)) = \omega|_{\pi^* M}(a, b)$$

$$(\Phi_V^* \omega)(\partial_r, -) = \omega|_{\pi^* M}(V, -) =: \lambda \leftarrow \text{fixed once } \omega, V \text{ are fixed.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_V^* \omega = \omega|_{\pi^* M} + dr \wedge \lambda \text{ on } \{0\} \times M$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{consider } \omega|_{\pi^* M} + d(r\lambda) \text{ in a NBH of } M.$$

this should be understood as the pullback  $\pi_M^* \omega|_M$  for projection  $\pi_M: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M \rightarrow M$

When  $|t|$  is sufficiently small, it is also a symplectic str.

**if  $|r|$  sufficiently small - since here is an extra term  $r d\lambda$ , where  $d\lambda = f \omega$  (by the stability of  $\lambda$ ); therefore if  $|r|$  is sufficiently small, this new 2-form serves as a small perturbation of  $\omega + dr \wedge \lambda$ , which is also non-degenerate, implying a symplectic structure.**

Therefore, shrink  $\varepsilon$  if nec, then we have a symplectic mfd

$$((- \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M, \omega|_{\tau M} + d(r\lambda))$$

cut out from  $M \hookrightarrow (X, \omega)$ . Moreover,  $M$  admits a stable framed Ham str  $(\omega, \lambda)$ . //

- Now, let's forget about the ambient symp mfd  $(X, \omega)$ , and directly consider  $(M, (\omega, \lambda))$  where  $(\omega, \lambda)$  is stable. Then  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t.

$$((- \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M, \omega + d(r\lambda))$$

← for this construction "stable" is not needed.

is a symplectic mfd.

Remark. Recall that if  $M$  is a contact mfd, then  $\mathbb{R} \times M$  supports a symplectic str called the symplectization of  $M$ .

Fix a smooth map  $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  s.t.  $\varphi' > 0$ . It induces a map

$$\mathbb{R} \times M \xrightarrow{\mathbb{F}_\varphi} (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M \quad (r, x) \mapsto (\varphi(r), x).$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbb{F}_\varphi^*(\omega + d(r\lambda)) = \omega + d(\varphi(r)\lambda).$$

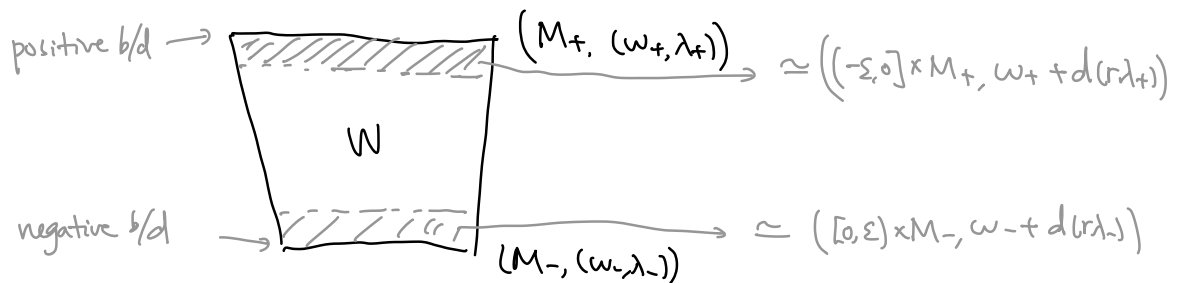
the role of being stable will be explained later.

$\Rightarrow$  Prop Given a  $(M, (\omega, \lambda))$  where  $(\omega, \lambda)$  is stable, then one can construct a symp mfd (called the symplectization of  $(M, (\omega, \lambda))$ ) by  $(\mathbb{R} \times M, \omega + d(\varphi(r)\lambda))$

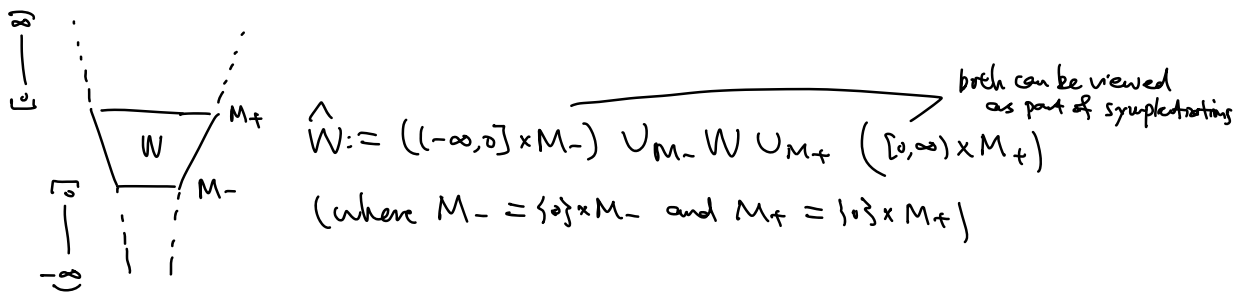
Note that there is no canonical symplectization in this case.

- Similarly in the contact geometry setting, one can generalize symplectization to symplectic cobordisms (Def 6.12<sup>Def 6.17</sup> <sub>$\lambda$</sub>  in [Wen]).

Def Given  $(M_{\pm}^{2n-1}, (\omega_{\pm}, \lambda_{\pm}))$ , a symplectic cobordism with stable boundary from  $(M_-, (\omega_-, \lambda_-))$  to  $(M_+, (\omega_+, \lambda_+))$  is a cpt symplectic  $2n$ -dim w/d  $W$  s.t.  $\partial W \xrightarrow[\text{diffs}]{} M_- \amalg M_+$  and  $\omega|_{T\partial W} \cong \omega_{\pm}$  on  $M$  respectively.



Then one can complete  $W$ :



Equip  $\hat{W}$  the following symplectic structure:

$$\omega_{\varphi} := \begin{cases} \omega_+ + d(\varphi(r)\lambda_+) & \text{on } [0, \infty) \times M_+ \\ \omega & \text{on } W \\ \omega_- + d(\varphi(r)\lambda_-) & \text{on } (-\infty, 0] \times M_- \end{cases}$$

where  $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$  s.t.  $\varphi' > 0$  and  $\varphi(r) = r$  near 0   
 so that one can glue near  $M_{\pm}$  in a symplectic way.

• Given  $(\omega, \lambda)$  where  $R_{(\omega, \lambda)}$  is its associated Reeb v.f., consider an a.c.s  $J$  on  $\mathbb{R} \times M$  satisfying  $\leftarrow$  then always exists such  $J$

(i)  $J$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -translation invariant.

(ii)  $J \partial_r = R_{(\omega, \lambda)}$  and  $J R_{(\omega, \lambda)} = -\partial_r$ .

(iii)  $J|_{\ker \lambda} \circ \omega|_{\ker \lambda}$  is compatible with  $\omega|_{\ker \lambda}$ .

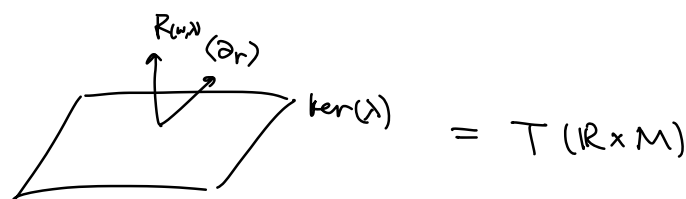
(\*)  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{cf. a.c.s} \\ \text{on symplectic} \\ \text{in contact} \\ \text{geo. setting.} \end{array} \right\}$

We call  $J$  tamed by  $(\omega, \lambda)$  if  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t for every  $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  with  $\varphi' > 0$ , we have  $J$  is tamed by  $\omega + d(\varphi(r)\lambda)$  on  $\mathbb{R} \times M$ .

Prop (prop 6.19 in [Wen]) Given a framed Ham str on  $M^{2n-1}$ , we have

$J$  satisfying (\*) is tamed by  $(\omega, \lambda) \iff \lambda$  is a stable.

pf. " $\Leftarrow$ "



$$\text{and } \omega_\varphi = \omega + d(\varphi(r)\lambda) = \omega + \varphi(r)d\lambda + \varphi'(r)dr\lambda$$

Then

$$\omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, JR_{(\omega, \lambda)}) = \omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, -\partial_r)$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} \varphi'(r)(dr\lambda)(\partial_r, R_{(\omega, \lambda)}) = \varphi'(r)\lambda(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}) = \varphi'(r) > 0$$

(\*) is the step using  $\lambda$  is stable b/c for the projection  $\pi_{\ker \lambda}: \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow \ker \lambda$  we may have  $\pi_{\ker \lambda}(\partial_r) \neq 0$ .

The same works for  $\partial_r$

$$\omega_\varphi(v, Jv) = \underbrace{\omega|_{\ker(\lambda)}(v, J|_{\ker(\lambda)}v)}_{\substack{\text{by cond of } J \text{ in } (*) \\ > 0}} + \varphi(r) \overbrace{dr(v, v)}^{d\lambda(v, Jv)} > 0$$

$v \in \ker(\lambda)$

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if  $\varepsilon > 0$  and sufficiently small,  $\varphi(r) dr(v, v)$  is small

" $\Rightarrow$ " Suppose  $J$  satisfies  $(*)$  but  $\lambda$  is not stable. Then  $\exists x \in M$  and  $v \in \ker(\lambda)(x)$  s.t.  $d\lambda(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, v) > 0$ . At  $(0, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times M$ , for constant  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)} + cJv, J(R_{(\omega, \lambda)} + cJv)) &= \omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)} + cJv, -\partial_r - cv) \\ &= \omega_\varphi(\partial_r, R_{(\omega, \lambda)}) - c\omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, v) \\ &\quad - c\omega_\varphi(Jv, \partial_r) + c^2\omega_\varphi(v, Jv) \\ &= \varphi'(0) - c \left( \omega + \varphi(0)d\lambda + \varphi'(0)(dr \wedge \lambda) \right) (R_{(\omega, \lambda)}, v) \\ &\quad - c \left( \cdot \cdot \cdot \right) (Jv, \partial_r) \\ &\quad + c^2 \left( \cdot \cdot \cdot \right) (v, Jv) \end{aligned}$$

better to change this  $\epsilon$  by  $\delta$ , in order not to mess up with the range  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$  in the range of the reparametrization function  $\varphi$ .

Choose  $\varphi(0) = \epsilon$ , then  $RHS = \varphi'(0) - \underbrace{c \cdot \epsilon \cdot r}_{(*)} + c^2(\underbrace{\alpha}_{>0} + \underbrace{\epsilon \beta}_{!!})$

Then choose  $c = \epsilon \cdot \frac{r}{2\alpha}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow -c \cdot \epsilon \cdot r + c^2(\alpha + \epsilon \beta) &= -\epsilon^2 \frac{r^2}{2\alpha} + \epsilon^2 \frac{r^2}{4\alpha^2} \cdot \alpha + o(\epsilon^2) \\ &= -\epsilon^2 \left( \frac{r^2}{2\alpha} - \frac{r^2}{4\alpha} \right) + o(\epsilon^2) \\ &= -\epsilon^2 \cdot \frac{r^2}{4\alpha} + o(\epsilon^2) \end{aligned}$$

So when  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small,  $(*) < 0$ . Note that  $\epsilon$  can be chosen arbitrarily small. Then pick  $\varphi'(0)$  even small, then  $\omega_\varphi(R_{(\omega, \lambda)} + cJv, J(R_{(\omega, \lambda)} + cJv)) < 0$ .

#### 4. Energy revisit

$(M^{2n-1}, (\omega, \lambda))$  stable taut str.

$$\mathcal{J}(\omega, \lambda) = \{ \text{a.c.s on } \mathbb{R} \times M \text{ satisfying } (*) \}$$

$$T_\varepsilon = \{ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{test function}}}{\varphi}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \mid \varphi'(0) > 0 \} \text{ for any fixed } \varepsilon > 0$$

Then for any  $\mathcal{J}$ -hol curve  $u: (\Sigma, j) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R} \times M, \mathcal{J})$ , one can define its energy

$$E_\varepsilon(u) := \sup_{\varphi \in \underline{T}_\varepsilon} \int_\Sigma u^* \omega_\varphi \quad \leftarrow \text{so } E(u) \text{ is independent of the test function.}$$

in fact, it should be  $\dot{\Sigma} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{pts\}$

If  $J \in \mathcal{J}(\omega, \lambda)$ , then  $E(u) \geq 0$  and  $E(u) = 0$  iff  $u$  is constant.

Remark Def of  $E(u)$  is good since "trivial" cylinder admits small energy (cf. Section 1)

Question What's the relation between  $E_\varepsilon(u)$  and  $E_\delta(u)$ ?

In general, let's consider

$$T_{(a,b)} := \{ \varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (a,b) \subset (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \mid \varphi' > 0 \}$$

$$\text{and } E_{(a,b)}(u) := \sup_{\varphi \in T_{(a,b)}} \int_\Sigma u^* \omega_\varphi$$

Prop.  $\exists C(a,b,\varepsilon)$ , independent of  $u$ , s.t.  $C E_\varepsilon(u) \leq E_{(a,b)}(u) \leq E_\varepsilon(u)$ .

pf. The inequality  $E_{(a,b)}(u) \leq E_\varepsilon(u)$  is trivial b/c  $T_{(a,b)} \subset T_\varepsilon$ .