

# **Lagrangian blow-up and blow-down for 4-dimensional symplectic manifolds**

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## Symplectic quotient

**DEFINITION:** Let  $\rho$  be an  $S^1$ -action on a symplectic manifold  $(M, \omega)$  preserving the symplectic structure, and  $\vec{v}$  its unit tangent vector. Cartan's formula gives  $0 = \text{Lie}_{\vec{v}}\omega = d(\omega \lrcorner \vec{v})$ , hence  $\omega \lrcorner \vec{v}$  is a closed 1-form. **Hamiltonian**, or **moment map** of  $\rho$  is an  $S^1$ -invariant function  $\mu$  such that  $d\mu = \omega \lrcorner \vec{v}$ , and **symplectic quotient**  $M//_c S^1$  is  $\mu^{-1}(c)/S^1$ .

**REMARK:** In these assumptions, restriction of the symplectic form  $\omega$  to  $\mu^{-1}(c)$  vanishes on  $\vec{v}$ , hence it is **obtained as a pullback of a closed 2-form  $\omega_{//}$  on  $M//_c S^1$** .

**THEOREM:** **The form  $\omega_{//}$  is a symplectic form on  $M//_c S^1$** . In other words, **the symplectic quotient is a symplectic manifold**.

**REMARK:** If, in addition,  $M$  is equipped with a Kähler structure  $(I, \omega)$ , and  $S^1$ -action preserves the complex structure, the symplectic quotient  $M//_c S^1$  inherits the Kähler structure. In this case it is called **a Kähler quotient**. Whenever the  $S^1$ -action can be integrated to holomorphic  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action, **the Kähler quotient is identified with an open subset of its orbit space**.

**REMARK:** The moment map is defined by  $d\mu = \omega \lrcorner \vec{v}$  uniquely up to a constant. However, the symplectic quotient  $M//_c S^1 = \mu^{-1}(c)/S^1$  **depends heavily on the choice of  $c \in \mathbb{R}$** .

## Symplectic blow-up

**CLAIM:** Consider the standard  $S^1$ -action on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , and let  $W \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be an  $S^1$ -invariant open subset. Consider the product  $V := W \times \mathbb{C}$  with the standard symplectic structure and take the  $S^1$ -action on  $\mathbb{C}$  opposite to the standard one. **Then its moment map is  $w - t$ , where  $w(x) = |x|^2$  is the length function on  $W$  and  $r(t) = |t|^2$  the length function on  $\mathbb{C}$ .**

**DEFINITION:** **Symplectic cut** of  $W$  is  $(W \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1$ .

**REMARK:** Geometrically, **the symplectic cut is obtained as follows.** Take  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $W_c := \{w \in W \mid |w|^2 \leq c\}$ . Then  $W_c$  is a manifold with boundary  $\partial W_c$ , which is a sphere  $|w|^2 = c$ . Then  $(W \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1 = (W_c \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1$  is obtained from  $W_c$  by gluing each  $S^1$ -orbit which lies on  $\partial W_c$  to a point. Combinatorially,  $(W \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1$  is  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with 0 replaced with  $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ .

**DEFINITION:** In these assumptions, **symplectic blow-up** of radius  $\lambda = \sqrt{c}$  of  $W$  in 0 is  $(W \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1$ . **Symplectic blow-up** of a symplectic manifold  $M$  is obtained by removing a symplectic ball  $W$  of radius  $\sqrt{c}$  and gluing back a blown-up symplectic ball  $(W \times \mathbb{C})//_c S^1$ .

## Lagrangian blow-up

**PROPOSITION:** Consider the total space  $(T^*\mathbb{C}P^1, \Omega_0)$  as a holomorphically symplectic manifold, and let  $\pi^* T^*\mathbb{C}P^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2/\pm 1$  be the holomorphic contraction map. Let  $\Omega_0$  be the natural (constant coefficient) holomorphically symplectic form on  $\mathbb{C}^2/\pm 1$ , considered as a complex orbifold. **Then  $\pi^*\Omega_0 = \Omega$ .**

**Proof:** The ring of functions on  $\mathbb{C}^2/\pm 1$  is generated by  $a = x^2, b = xy, c = y^2$ , and the holomorphic symplectic form is  $dx \wedge dy = \frac{da \wedge db}{c}$ . On  $T^*\mathbb{C}P^1 = \text{Tot}(\mathcal{O}(2))$ , the functions  $\pi^*a, \pi^*b, \pi^*c$  have zero of second order, **hence  $da$  and  $db$  have zero of first order, and  $\frac{da \wedge db}{c}$  is non-degenerate.** ■

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(B, \omega)$  be a 4-dimensional symplectic ball, and  $(B, \omega)/\pm$  its orbifold quotient. Using Darboux coordinates, we identify  $\omega$  with  $\text{Re}\Omega$  (the real part of a holomorphic symplectic form). **The Lagrangian blow-up  $B/\pm 1$  is obtained by taking a holomorphic blow-up of  $(B, \omega)/\pm$  with the standard complex structure. It is isomorphic to a neighbourhood of  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  in  $\text{Tot}(T^*\mathbb{C}P^1)$ . By the previous proposition,  $\pi^*\omega$  is non-degenerate, hence  $B/\pm 1$  is equipped with a natural symplectic structure.**

**REMARK:** The blow-up sphere  $S^2$  is Lagrangian with respect to  $\pi^*\omega$ .

**REMARK:** Similarly to the symplectic blow-up construction, this construction **can be applied to any 4-dimensional symplectic orbifold with double points**, resulting in a symplectic manifold with a bunch of Lagrangian spheres.

## Lagrangian blow-down

### THEOREM: (Weinstein's Lagrangian neighbourhood theorem)

Let  $X \subset M$  be a compact Lagrangian submanifold in  $(M, \omega)$ . Then **there exists a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $X \subset M$  which is symplectomorphic to a neighbourhood of  $X$  in  $X \subset T^*X$ .**

Given a Lagrangian sphere  $S^2$  in a symplectic 4-fold  $M$ , we chose its Weinstein neighbourhood  $W$ , symplectomorphic to an  $\varepsilon$ -neighbourhood of  $S^2$  in  $T^*S^2$ , identify it with  $(T^*\mathbb{C}P^1, \text{Re } \Omega)$ , where  $\text{Re } \Omega$  is the real part of the holomorphic symplectic form, and perform the (complex analytic) blow-down, resulting in holomorphic symplectic orbifold  $(W_0, dx \wedge dy)$ , obtained as a quotient of a neighbourhood of 0 in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  by  $\pm 1$ .

**REMARK:** Clearly, the manifolds  $W$  and  $W_0$  **are naturally identified** outside of a small neighbourhood of  $S^2$  in  $W$  and the orbifold point in  $W_0$ .

**DEFINITION:** **The Lagrangian blow-down** is obtained from  $M$  by removing  $W \subset M$  and gluing  $W_0$  in its place.

**REMARK:** By construction, the Lagrangian blow-up “is inverse” to the Lagrangian blow-down. Here “is inverse” means that we made many choices performing both operations; to show that these choices cancel each other, **we use the symplectic Teichmüller theory, which provides a way to speak of symplectic constructions functorially.**

## Teichmüller space for symplectic structures

**DEFINITION:** Let  $\Gamma(\Lambda^2 M)$  be the space of all 2-forms on a manifold  $M$ , and  $\text{Symp} \subset \Gamma(\Lambda^2 M)$  the space of all symplectic 2-forms. We equip  $\Gamma(\Lambda^2 M)$  with  $C^\infty$ -topology of uniform convergence on compacts with all derivatives. **Then  $\Gamma(\Lambda^2 M)$  is a Fréchet vector space, and  $\text{Symp}$  a Fréchet manifold.**

**DEFINITION:** Consider the group of diffeomorphisms, denoted  $\text{Diff}$ , as a Fréchet Lie group, and denote its connected component (“group of isotopies”) by  $\text{Diff}_0$ . The quotient group  $\Gamma := \text{Diff} / \text{Diff}_0$  is called **the mapping class group** of  $M$ .

**DEFINITION:** **Teichmüller space of symplectic structures on  $M$**  is defined as a quotient  $\text{Teich}_s := \text{Symp} / \text{Diff}_0$ .

## Moser theorem

**DEFINITION:** Two symplectic structures are called **isotopic** if they lie in the same orbit of  $\text{Diff}_0$ .

**DEFINITION:** Define **the period map**  $\text{Per} : \text{Teich}_S \longrightarrow H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$  mapping a symplectic structure to its cohomology class.

**THEOREM: (Moser, 1965)**

The **Teichmüller space**  $\text{Teich}_S$  **is a manifold** (possibly, non-Hausdorff), and the **period map**  $\text{Per} : \text{Teich}_S \longrightarrow H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$  **is locally a diffeomorphism**.

**REMARK:** This means that  $\text{Teich}_S$  is smooth. However, **it is often non-Hausdorff**.

The proof is based on another theorem of Moser.

**THEOREM: (Moser)**

Let  $\omega_t$ ,  $t \in S$  be a smooth family of symplectic structures, parametrized by a connected manifold  $S$ . Assume that the cohomology class  $[\omega_t] \in H^2(M)$  is constant in  $t$ . **Then all  $\omega_t$  are diffeomorphic**.

## Teichmüller space for Lagrangian submanifolds

**DEFINITION:** Fix a symplectic manifold  $(M, \omega)$ , and let  $L \subset M$  be a Lagrangian submanifold with  $b_1(L) := \dim H^1(L, \mathbb{R}) = 0$ . Denote by  $\text{Symp}_L$  an infinite-dimensional space of symplectic forms  $\omega$  on  $M$  such that  $\omega|_L = 0$ . We define **the Teichmüller space of pairs**  $(\omega, L)$  as the quotient  $\text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0$ , where  $\text{Diff}_L^0$  is the group of diffeomorphisms of  $M$  which preserve  $L \subset M$ , and  $\text{Diff}_L^0$  its connected component.

**REMARK:** The space  $\text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0$  is always smooth, but it is harder to prove this when  $b_1(L) > 0$ , because the period map is more difficult to define. Therefore, **we restrict ourselves to the case  $b_1(L) = 0$ .**

## Moser theorem for the Teichmüller space of Lagrangian subvarieties

**THEOREM:** Let  $V \subset H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$  be the space of all cohomology classes on  $M$  which vanish on  $L$ , and  $\text{Per}_L : \text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0 \rightarrow V$  take  $(M, \omega)$  to the cohomology class of  $\omega$ . **Then Per is locally a diffeomorphism.**

**Proof. Step 1:** Let  $\mathfrak{T}_L$  be the Teichmüller space of symplectic structures  $\omega$  such that  $\omega|_L$  is homologous to zero. By Moser's theorem, the period map  $\mathfrak{T}_L \rightarrow V$  is locally a diffeomorphism. To prove the theorem, **it remains to show that the natural map  $\psi : \text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{T}_L$  is locally a locally a diffeomorphism.**

**Step 2:** We have assumed that  $L$  is Lagrangian in  $(M, \omega)$ . To prove that  $\psi$  is locally surjective, it would suffice to prove that a small deformation  $\omega_1 \in \mathfrak{T}_L$  of  $\omega$  is isotopic to a form which is also Lagrangian on  $L$ . **This is equivalent to constructing a Lagrangian submanifold  $L_1$  of  $(M, \omega_1)$  which is smoothly isotopic to  $L$ .**

## Moser for the Teichmüller space of Lagrangian subvarieties (2)

**Step 3:** Take a Weinstein neighbourhood  $U_L$  of  $L$  in  $(M, \omega)$ . Then  $\omega_1 = \omega - d\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is a 1-form. Denote by  $L_1$  the graph of  $\theta$  in  $T^*L$ . For  $\omega_1$  sufficiently close to  $\omega$  and  $\theta$  sufficiently small, we may assume that  $L_1$  belongs to  $U_L$ . On a graph of a map  $\theta : L \rightarrow T^*L$ , the form  $\omega$  is equal to  $d\theta$ , hence  $L_1 \subset U_L$  is Lagrangian. **This shows that the  $\psi : \text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{T}_L$  is locally a surjection.**

**Step 4:** It remains to show that  $\text{Per}_L : \text{Symp}_L / \text{Diff}_L^0 \rightarrow V$  is locally injective. This is proven using the same argument as Moser used: given a continuous family  $\omega_t$  of cohomologous symplectic forms vanishing on  $L$ , we write the antiderivatives  $\eta_t \in \Lambda^1(M)$  such that  $\frac{d}{dt}\omega_t = d\eta_t$ . Since  $\omega_t|_L = 0$ , the restrictions  $\eta_t|_L$  are closed. They are exact because  $b_1(L) = 0$ , hence  $\eta_t|_L = df_t$ . We extend  $f_t$  to  $M$  smoothly and replace each  $\eta_t$  by  $\eta_t - df_t$ , obtaining  $\eta_t|_L = 0$ . Solving the equation  $\text{Lie}_{X_t}\omega_t = d(i_{X_t}\omega_t) = \frac{d}{dt}\omega_t$  as in Moser's proof, we obtain a flow of diffeomorphisms which takes  $\omega_0$  to  $\omega_t$ ; for this solution, we need  $i_{X_t}\omega_t = \eta_t$ . Since  $\eta_t|_L = 0$ , and  $L$  is Lagrangian with respect to  $\omega_t$ , the vector field  $X_t$  remains tangent to  $L$ . ■

**COROLLARY:** Assume that  $L, L'$  are Lagrangian submanifolds in  $(M, \omega)$ , and  $\varphi \in \text{Diff}_0(M)$  a smooth isotopy such that  $\varphi(L) = L'$ . **Then  $(\omega, L)$  and  $(\varphi^*\omega, L)$  represent the same point in  $\text{Teich}_L$  if and only if  $L$  and  $L'$  are Lagrangian isotopic in  $(M, \omega)$ .**

## Teichmüller space and Lagrangian blow-ups and blow-downs

**REMARK:** From now on, we will focus on just one example, namely the K3 surface and the orbifold K3, obtained by a contraction of a smooth rational curve. This is done to simplify the conventions, everything works in a general situation.

**THEOREM:** Let  $L$  be a Lagrangian 2-sphere in a K3 surface  $M$ , and  $\text{Teich}_L$  the corresponding Teichmüller space of symplectic structures vanishing on  $L$ . Consider an orbifold K3 surface  $\tilde{M}$  obtained from the Lagrangian blow-down, and let  $\text{Teich}_{\tilde{M}}$  be its symplectic Teichmüller space. **Then the Lagrangian blow-down defines a diffeomorphism  $\text{Teich}_L \rightarrow \text{Teich}_{\tilde{M}}$ .**

**Proof:** Clearly, the Lagrangian blow-down is (up to choices made) inverse to the Lagrangian blow-up. Therefore, **it suffices to prove that both constructions are independent from all the choices we made** (see the next slide).

## Teichmüller space and Lagrangian blow-ups

**THEOREM:** Let  $\text{Teich}_{\tilde{M}}$  be a 4-dimensional symplectic orbifold with a single double point, and  $(M, L, \omega)$  its Lagrangian blow-up. **Then the corresponding point in  $\text{Teich}_L$  is independent from the choices we made.**

**Proof:** Lagrangian blow-up is determined by a germ of the Darboux coordinates in a neighbourhood of the orbifold point  $o$ . For any two choices  $A, B$  of Darboux coordinates around  $o$ , there is a germ of a flow  $\varphi_t$  of symplectomorphisms in a neighbourhood of  $o$  taking a germ of  $A$  to a germ of  $B$ . Since  $b_1(A) = 0$ , the diffeomorphisms  $\varphi_t$  are Hamiltonian. Extending the corresponding Hamiltonian vector fields to  $M$ , we obtain a flow  $\Phi_t$  Hamiltonian symplectomorphisms of  $M$  which carries  $A$  to  $B$ . This defines a smooth family of symplectic structures on the Lagrangian blow-up, which are all homologous, and connect the first blow-up to the second; by Moser's theorem, **this implies that these two blow-up manifolds correspond to the same point in  $\text{Teich}_L$ .** ■

## Teichmüller space and Lagrangian blow-downs

**THEOREM:** Let  $(M, L, \omega)$  be a 4-manifold with a Lagrangian sphere  $L$ , and  $(\check{M}, \check{\omega})$  its Lagrangian blow-down. **Then the corresponding point in  $\text{Teich}_{\check{M}}$  is independent from the choices we made.**

**Proof:** The Lagrangian blow-down of a Lagrangian sphere  $S$  in a symplectic 4-manifold is determined by a germ of a Weinstein neighbourhood of  $S$ ; same as in the previous proof, we need to show that any two such germs are related by a smooth family of Hamiltonian symplectomorphisms. By definition, any two Weinstein neighbourhoods of  $S$  have germs in  $S$  which are symplectomorphic; these germs are Hamiltonian symplectomorphic, because  $b_1(S) = 0$ , hence any symplectomorphic vector field on a Weinstein neighbourhood is Hamiltonian. This implies that **any two choices of Lagrangian blow-down are related by a smooth family of cohomologous symplectic structures on  $\check{M}$ , hence by Moser's theorem they give the same point in  $\text{Teich}_{\check{M}}$ .** ■

## Donaldson's conjecture is false for orbifold K3 surfaces

**CONJECTURE: (Donaldson)** All symplectic structures on a K3 surface are compatible with a Kähler structure.

**This conjecture is still open.** However, an orbifold version of this conjecture is false.

**THEOREM:** There exists an orbifold symplectic K3 surface  $M$  with a single double point **not admitting an orbifold Kähler structure**.

**Proof. Step 1:** As follows from a result of Amerik-V. (2015), the Teichmüller space of symplectic structures compatible with a hyperkähler structure is Hausdorff and connected (the same argument works for Kähler K3 orbifolds). Suppose, on contrary, that any orbifold symplectic K3 surface with a single double point admits a Kähler structure. This would imply that the Teichmüller space  $\text{Teich}_L$  is connected, **and, indeed, that in each homotopy class of 2-spheres on a K3 surface there exists at most one (up to a Lagrangian isotopy) Lagrangian sphere.**

**Step 2:** This is impossible, by a result of P. Seidel (2000): **for some Lagrangian 2-sphere in a symplectic K3 surface there exists infinitely many Lagrangian spheres in the same smooth isotopy class**, which are not Lagrangian isotopic. ■

## Special Lagrangian submanifolds

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold equipped with a compatible almost complex structure,  $\dim M = 2n$ , and  $\Phi$  a non-degenerate, closed  $(n, 0)$ -form which satisfies  $|\Phi| = \text{const}$ . A **phase** of a Lagrangian submanifold  $S \subset M$  is the complex-valued function  $\frac{\Phi|_S}{\text{Vol}_S}$  on  $S$ . A Lagrangian submanifold  $S \subset M$  is called **special Lagrangian** if it has constant phase.

**THEOREM:** Let  $S \subset M$  be a Lagrangian sphere in a K3 surface, and  $\pi : (M, \omega) \longrightarrow (\tilde{M}, \tilde{\omega})$  the corresponding Lagrangian blow-down map. **Then  $S$  is Lagrangian isotopic to a special Lagrangian sphere if and only if the symplectic form  $\tilde{\omega}$  is of Kähler type.**

**Proof:** Later today.

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold. A complex manifold  $S \subset M$  is **holomorphic Lagrangian** if  $\Omega|_S = 0$  and  $\dim M = 2 \dim S$ .

**REMARK:** On a hyperkähler manifold, “**special Lagrangian**” follows from “**holomorphic Lagrangian**”; in real dimension 4, the converse is true as well, if one varies the complex structure in the quaternions.

## Holomorphic Lagrangian submanifolds

The condition of being a complex submanifold **is in fact implied by being Lagrangian with respect to the symplectic forms  $\operatorname{Re} \Omega$  and  $\operatorname{Im} \Omega$ .**

### PROPOSITION: (“Hitchin’s lemma”)

Let  $(M, I, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold, and  $S \subset M$  a real submanifold,  $\dim M = 2 \dim S$ . **Then  $S$  is holomorphic Lagrangian if and only if  $\Omega|_S = 0$ .**

**Corollary 1:** Let  $(M, I, J, K, g)$  be a hyperkähler manifold of real dimension  $4n$ , considered as a Kähler manifold  $(M, I, \omega_I)$ , and  $\Phi := \Omega^n \in \Lambda^{2n,0}(M, I)$  the corresponding holomorphic volume form. Consider a Lagrangian submanifold  $S \subset (M, \omega_I)$ , such that  $a\omega_J + b\omega_K|_S = 0$ , for some real numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ . **Then  $S$  is special Lagrangian, and, moreover, it is holomorphic with respect to the complex structure  $-aK + bJ$ .**

**Proof:** The form  $\Omega_1 := \omega_I + \sqrt{-1}(a\Omega_J + b\Omega_K)$  is holomorphic symplectic on  $(M, -aK + bJ)$ , hence  $\Omega_1|_S = 0$ . By Hitchin’s lemma,  $S$  is a complex submanifold of  $(M, -aK + bJ)$ , and therefore it is holomorphic Lagrangian. It is special Lagrangian, because in the 3-dimensional space  $\langle \omega_I, \omega_J, \omega_K \rangle$  there is a basis, where two forms restrict to  $S$  as zero, and the third is the Kähler form of  $(M, -aK + bJ)$ . Its top power restricted to a complex submanifold is always proportional to its Riemannian volume, hence the phase of  $S$  is constant. ■

## Special Lagrangian submanifolds in real dimension 4

**Corollary 2:** Let  $M$  be a 4-dimensional hyperkähler manifold,  $\omega_I, \omega_J, \omega_K$  a triple of symplectic structures and  $S \subset M$  a Lagrangian submanifold of  $(M, \omega_I)$ . **Then  $S$  is special Lagrangian if and only if for some real numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ , the submanifold  $S$  is complex analytic with respect to  $-aK + bJ$ .**

**Proof:** If  $S$  is complex analytic with respect to  $-aK + bJ$ , the corresponding holomorphic symplectic form vanishes on  $S$ , because  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} S = 1$ , and **by Corollary 1 it is special Lagrangian**. Conversely, for any special Lagrangian submanifold  $S \subset (M, I)$ , the constant phase condition  $\Omega|_S = \text{const Vol}_g$  implies that the restriction map  $\langle \omega_J, \omega_K \rangle$  has 1-dimensional kernel, hence  $S$  is Lagrangian with respect to  $\omega_I$  and  $a\omega_J + b\sqrt{-1}\omega_K$ , for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ . **By Hitchin's lemma,  $S$  is holomorphic with respect to  $-aK + bJ$ .** ■

## Symplectic K3 orbifolds of Kähler type

Further on, we will use the following elementary observation.

**CLAIM:** Let  $(\tilde{M}, I)$  be a complex orbifold of K3 type, and  $\check{\Omega}$  its holomorphic symplectic form. **Then  $\operatorname{Re} \check{\Omega}$  is a symplectic structure of Kähler type.**

**Proof:** Using an orbifold version of Calabi-Yau theorem, **we choose a hyperkähler structure  $(I, J, K, g)$  on  $\tilde{M}$ , such that  $\check{\Omega} = \omega_J + \sqrt{-1} \omega_K$ .** Then  $\operatorname{Re} \check{\Omega} = \omega_J$  is a Kähler form of  $(\tilde{M}, J)$ . ■

**DEFINITION:** Let  $M$  be a K3 orbifold, and  $\omega$  an orbifold symplectic structure. We say that  $\omega$  **is of Kähler type** if there exists an orbifold Kähler structure such that  $\omega$  is its Kähler form.

## Special Lagrangian spheres and symplectic structures on orbifolds

**THEOREM:** Let  $S \subset M$  be a Lagrangian sphere in a K3 surface, and  $\pi : (M, \omega) \longrightarrow (\tilde{M}, \tilde{\omega})$  the corresponding Lagrangian blow-down map. **Then  $S$  is Lagrangian isotopic to a special Lagrangian sphere if and only if the symplectic form  $\tilde{\omega}$  is of Kähler type.**

**Proof. Step 1:** Let  $S \subset M$  be a special Lagrangian sphere. Since  $S \subset (M, \omega)$  is Lagrangian, its self-intersection is -2. Without restricting the generality, we may assume that  $S \subset (M, K)$  is a complex curve, that is,  $a = 0, b = 1$  in the notation of Corollary 2. Consider the complex analytic blow-down map  $\pi : (M, K) \mapsto (\tilde{M}, K)$ , taking  $M$  to a complex orbifold with a double point. Let  $\Omega_K := \omega_I + \sqrt{-1} \omega_J$  be a holomorphic symplectic form on  $(M, K)$ . Then  $\Omega_K = \pi^* \check{\Omega}_K$ , hence  $\omega_I = \text{Re} \Omega_K = \pi^* \text{Re} \check{\Omega}_K$ . **This identifies  $(\tilde{M}, \text{Re} \Omega_K)$  and the Lagrangian blow-down of  $(M, \omega_I)$ .** However,  $(\tilde{M}, \text{Re} \Omega_K)$  is a complex orbifold, and the symplectic form  $\text{Re} \check{\Omega}_K$  is of Kähler type by the previous claim. **This proves that the Lagrangian blow-down of  $(M, \omega_I)$  is of Kähler type.**

**Step 2:** Conversely, assume that  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\omega})$  is an orbifold symplectic K3 of Kähler type with one double point, and  $(M, \pi^* \tilde{\omega})$  its Lagrangian blow-up. Since the blow-up map is holomorphic on  $(\tilde{M}, K)$ , the exceptional sphere of the projection  $\pi : M \longrightarrow \tilde{M}$  is holomorphic in  $(M, K)$ . **By Corollary 1, it is special Lagrangian in  $(M, I)$ .** ■

## Lagrangian spheres which are not Hamiltonian isotopic to special Lagrangian

**THEOREM:** Let  $(M, \omega)$  be a symplectic K3 surface of Kähler type. **Then, for an appropriate choice of  $\omega$ , there exists a countably many Lagrangian 2-spheres in the same homotopy class which are not isotopic to a special Lagrangian sphere.**

**Proof:** Using Seidel's theorem, we obtain that **there exists a countably many pairwise non-Lagrangian-isotopic Lagrangian spheres  $S_i$  in the same homotopy class such that the corresponding Lagrangian blow-down give a K3-type orbifolds which are not of Kähler type.** By the previous theorem, all these  $S_i$  are not isotopic to a special Lagrangian sphere.

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