

# RSFT functors for strong cobordisms and finite algebraic torsion

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Two more functorial properties in this talk:

- 1 Behavior of APT, P in strong cobordisms.
- 2 Curves with constraints in exact cobordisms, typically cobordisms from contact (+1) surgeries.

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## Corollary (Bourgeois and van Koert)

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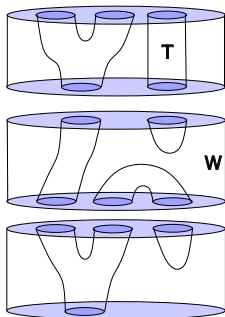
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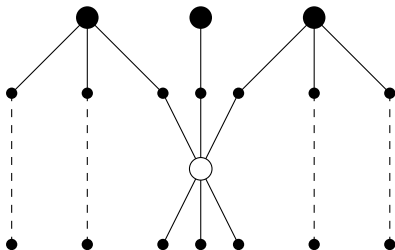
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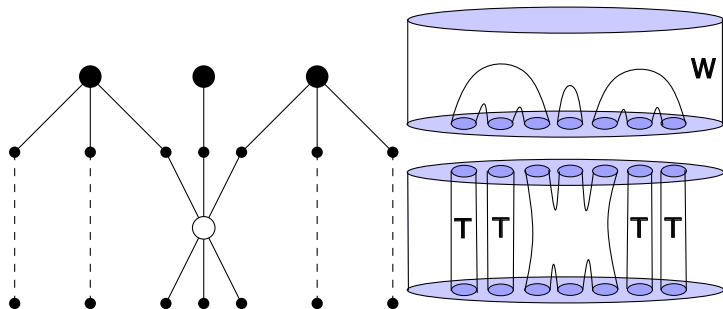
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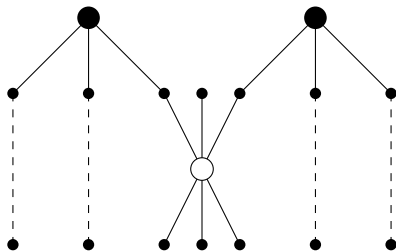
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# Deformation by MC elements

Given a MC element  $mc$ ,

$$p_{mc}^{k,l}(v_1 \dots v_k) := \pi_{1,l} \circ \hat{p}(v_1 \odot \dots \odot v_k \odot e^{mc})$$



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### Corollary

For  $g \geq 1$ ,  $d > 2g - 2$ , the prequantization bundle over  $\Sigma_g$  with degree  $-d$  is not cofillable and has no strong cobordism to  $(S^3, \xi_{std})$ .

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$$\partial_{\text{CH}}(q_\gamma) = 1,$$

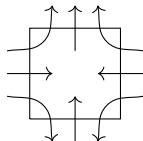
where the holomorphic disk is a “lift” of the natural disk in the binding region.

Via contact connected sum,

$$\text{CH}(S^{2n+1}, \xi_{\text{ot}}) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{CH}(Y_{\text{ot}}) = 0.$$

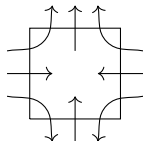
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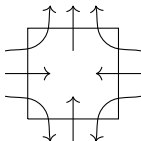
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**Fact:**  $(S^{2n+1}, \xi_{\text{ot}})$  is obtained from applying a (+1) surgery to  $\partial(D^*S^n \times \mathbb{D}) = \text{OB}(D^*S^n, \text{id})$  along the Legendrian lift of the zero section  $S^n \subset D^*S^n$ .

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By considering holomorphic curves in  $W_\Lambda$  with a point constraint on  $L$  and negative punctures, we have

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For  $Y_+ = \partial(V \times \mathbb{D})$ ,  $\exists x \in C_+^{-*}(H)$  such that  $x \otimes 1$  is mapped to  $\alpha \otimes 1$ , for  $\alpha \in \text{Im}(H^*(V \times \mathbb{D}) \rightarrow H^*(Y_+))$ .

$\Rightarrow \text{CH}(Y_{\Lambda+}) = 0$ , as  $\alpha \notin \text{Im}(H^*(W_{\Lambda}, Y_{\Lambda+}) \rightarrow H^*(Y))$  for the surgery cobordism  $W_{\Lambda}$

# **Producing algebraic (planar) torsions**



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$$\text{SOB}(V, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_k) = (\partial V \times \Sigma_{0,k}) \cup_{i=1}^k V_{\phi_i}$$

It has a natural map to  $\Sigma_{0,k}$ .

### Theorem (Z. in progress)

*Let  $V$  be the Brieskorn variety  $z_0^{a_0} + \dots + z_n^{a_n} = 1$  for  $a_i \gg 0$ , then APT and AT ( $\dim \geq 7$ ) of  $\text{SOB}(V, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_k)$  are  $k - 1$ , where  $\phi_i$  are products of negative DS twists with at least one non-trivial.*

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Then by virtual dimension computation and homology classes, we have

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APT is finite.

### Remark

*This also produces tight not weakly fillable contact manifolds in dimension  $\geq 5$ .*



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- $APT = k - 1$  follows from combining the  $(+1)$ -surgery cobordism and the strong cobordism, i.e. looking at holomorphic curves in the strong cobordism from  $SOB(V, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_k)$  to  $OB(V, id)$  with a constraint on the Lagrangian disk in the  $(+1)$ -surgery cobordism.
- Similar arguments apply to AT.

Thank you!