

Real Lagrangian tori and versal deformations

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Can a given Lagrangian submanifold be realized as the fixed point set of an anti-symplectic involution? If so, it is called *real*. We give an obstruction for a closed Lagrangian submanifold to be real in terms of the displacement energy of nearby Lagrangians. Applying this obstruction to toric fibres, we obtain that the central fibre of many (and probably all) toric monotone symplectic manifolds is real only if the corresponding moment polytope is centrally symmetric. Furthermore, we embed the Chekanov torus in all toric monotone symplectic manifolds and show that it is exotic and not real, extending Kim’s result [24] for $S^2 \times S^2$. Inside products of S^2 , we show that all products of Chekanov tori are pairwise distinct and not real either. These results indicate that real tori are rare.

Our methods are elementary in the sense that we do not use J -holomorphic curves. Instead, we rely on symplectic reduction and the displacement energy of product tori in \mathbb{R}^{2n} .

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1. Introduction

A Lagrangian submanifold L in a symplectic manifold (M, ω) is said to be *real* if there is an anti-symplectic involution σ of M such that L is the fixed point set of σ or a connected component thereof. Here, an involution is a map satisfying $\sigma \circ \sigma = \text{id}$, and anti-symplectic means that $\sigma^*\omega = -\omega$. An example is the equator of the 2-sphere with its Euclidean area form, which is the fixed point set of the reflection about the equatorial plane, and taking products of this example we get as real Lagrangian the so-called Clifford torus in $\times_n S^2$. For more examples, see Section 2.

Real or *not real* are symplectic invariants in the following sense: If φ is a symplectomorphism of (M, ω) and L is the fixed point set of the anti-symplectic involution σ , then $\varphi(L)$ is the fixed point set of the anti-symplectic involution $\varphi \circ \sigma \circ \varphi^{-1}$. There are many other reasons to study real Lagrangian submanifolds, some of which we give at the end of this introduction.

In this paper we address the question if a given closed Lagrangian submanifold of a symplectic manifold is real. An obstruction to being real has been given by J. Kim in [24]: If L is real, then the number of J -holomorphic discs $u: (D^2, \partial D^2) \rightarrow (M, L)$ of Maslov index 2 passing through a generic point in L must be even. In this paper we use a different symplectic invariant as obstruction to being real, namely the displacement energy of nearby Lagrangian submanifolds, a tool invented by Chekanov in [11]. While the Lagrangian submanifolds L that we are interested in usually have infinite displacement energy, nearby Lagrangians can be displaced. This leads to the so-called displacement energy germ $S_L: (H_1(L, \mathbb{R}), 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$. In our basic result, (M, ω) is any, not necessarily compact, symplectic manifold.

Theorem 1.1. *Assume that L is a compact real Lagrangian submanifold of (M, ω) . Then the displacement energy germ $S_L: (H_1(L, \mathbb{R}), 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ is even,*

$$S_L(-p) = S_L(p).$$

In general, it is hard to compute the displacement energy germ of a Lagrangian L . However, for the special class of fibers of toric symplectic manifolds we show in Section 3 that the displacement energy is intimately related to the moment polytope Δ .

Application I: Toric fibres. Let (M, ω) be a toric symplectic manifold with moment map μ and moment polytope $\Delta = \mu(M)$. For all $x \in \overset{\circ}{\Delta}$, the

toric fibre $T_x = \mu^{-1}(x)$ is Lagrangian. These Lagrangian tori are especially well-suited to our methods, since they come with a natural versal deformation defined by varying the base point $a \mapsto T_{x+a}$. Hence, we are led to the question of what the displacement energy of toric fibres looks like as a function of the base point. In other words, we want to understand the function

$$e_\Delta: \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}, \quad x \mapsto e_M(T_x),$$

where e_M denotes displacement energy. If T_x is real, we get by Theorem 1.1 that the function e_Δ is invariant under central symmetry in a neighbourhood of x .

Assume furthermore that (M, ω) is monotone. In the toric case, this means that we can assume that each facet of the moment polytope lies at affine distance one from the origin, in particular the origin is the only lattice point in the interior. We call the corresponding fibre T_0 the *central fibre*. The moment polytope of a toric monotone symplectic manifold is called *monotone*, see [26] for details. In this case, the function e_Δ can often be explicitly computed on an open dense subset of Δ and there is equal to the affine distance to the boundary. In particular the level sets of e_Δ are simply given by rescalings of $\partial\Delta$, see Figure 1. As noticed in [8], this geometric property is implied by the following combinatorial property of the moment polytope: Let $\mathcal{S}(\Delta) = \Delta \cap (-\Delta) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$ be the set of non-zero symmetric lattice points in Δ . We say that Δ has property *FS* if every facet of Δ contains a point of $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$. This property, which is closely related to the Ewald conjecture, is known to hold for monotone polytopes in dimensions $n \leq 9$ and is conjectured to hold in all dimensions, in which case requiring property *FS* becomes obsolete in all following statements. See Subsection 3.4 for a discussion.

Monotonicity has another useful consequence. Since real Lagrangians in monotone symplectic manifolds are automatically monotone as Lagrangian submanifolds, see for example [31], the only candidate to be real among all T_x is the central fibre T_0 . For this torus we obtain the following.

Theorem 1.2. *Let (M, ω) be a toric monotone symplectic manifold whose moment polytope Δ has property *FS*. If the central fibre T_0 is real, then Δ is centrally symmetric, $\Delta = -\Delta$.*

Together with J. Kim and J. Moon, we show in [9] that central symmetry of the moment polytope is a sufficient condition for the central fibre T_0 to be real. Under property *FS*, Theorem 1.2 is therefore an equivalence. For

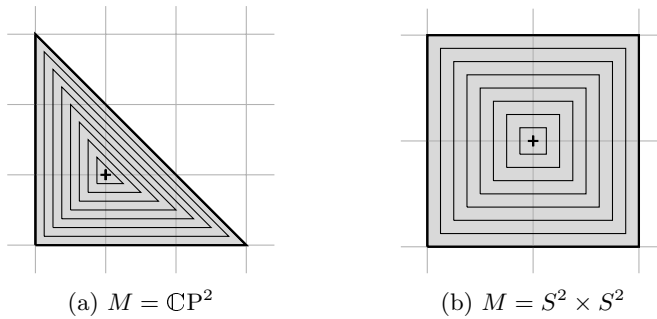


Figure 1. Level sets of the function $e_\Delta(x) = e_M(T_x)$.

example, the central fibre in $S^2 \times S^2$ is real, whereas the central fibre in $\mathbb{C}P^2$ is not, see Figure 1.

Remark 1.3. We outline an alternative approach to Theorem 1.2 in appendix 6 based on the count of Maslov 2 J -holomorphic disks with boundary on T_0 which disposes of property FS . This approach was suggested to us by Grigory Mikhalkin and an anonymous referee.

Centrally symmetric polytopes. The set of centrally symmetric monotone Delzant polytopes is known. For any natural number n we define the *del Pezzo polytope* $DP(n) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ as the monotone polytope defined by the $2n + 2$ inequalities

$$\pm x_1 \leq 1, \pm x_2 \leq 1, \dots, \pm x_n \leq 1, \pm(x_1 + \dots + x_n) \leq 1.$$

For example $DP(1) = [-1, 1]$ and $DP(2)$ is the moment polytope of the monotone three-fold blow-up of $\mathbb{C}P^2$, see Figure 3 in Section 3. In general, these correspond to two-fold blow-ups of $\times_n S^2$. For n even or $n = 1$, the del Pezzo polytopes are centrally symmetric monotone Delzant polytopes. It is thus clear that products of such polytopes $DP(n)$ are again centrally symmetric monotone Delzant polytopes. It was proved in [38] that the converse is true: The centrally symmetric monotone Delzant polytopes of dimension n are exactly the products of del Pezzo polytopes $DP(n_j)$ with $n_j \in \{1, 2, 4, 6, \dots\}$ and $n = \sum_j n_j$. In order to determine the number $\nu_c(n)$ of centrally symmetric monotone Delzant polytopes in a given dimension n , we thus only need to count the number of ways in which n can be written as the sum of ones and even numbers. Let $p(n)$ be the partition function,

i.e. the function counting the number of ways in which n can be written as the sum of natural numbers. Then for even $n = 2k$,

$$\nu_c(2k) = \sum_{j=0}^k p(j).$$

This can be seen as follows. Suppose a decomposition of $2k$ contains $2m$ ones. Omitting the ones induces a decomposition of $2(k - m)$ into strictly positive even numbers. This is equivalent to a decomposition of $k - m$ into strictly positive integers, whence there are $p(k - m)$ possibilities if the decomposition of $2k$ contains $2m$ ones. Summing over the possible number of ones yields the result. Furthermore $\nu_c(2k + 1) = \nu_c(2k)$, since the odd del Pezzo polytopes $DP(n)$ for $n > 1$ are not Delzant.

The number $\nu(n)$ of all monotone Delzant polytopes of dimension n is much larger than $\nu_c(n)$: For small values of n we have

(1)	n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	$\nu_c(n)$	1	2	2	4	4	7	7	12	12
	$\nu(n)$	1	5	18	124	866	7 622	72 256	749 892	8 229 721

The next few values for $\nu_c(2k)$ are 19, 30, 45, 67, 97, 139. The growth of ν_c is subexponential. Indeed, since the partition function $p(n)$ grows like $e^{\sqrt{n}}$, $\nu_c(n)$ grows like $e^{\sqrt{n}}$ as well. On the other hand, for $\nu(2) = 5$ see Figure 3. The value $\nu(3) = 18$ was found in [5, 39], see also [30, pp. 90], and $\nu(4) = 124$ was found in [6, 35]. The values $\nu(n)$ for $5 \leq n \leq 8$ were computed by Øbro [29], and $\nu(9)$ by Paffenholz [33]. The asymptotic behaviour of $\nu(n)$ is unfortunately not known, but based on discussions with Benjamin Nill and Andreas Paffenholz we expect that $\nu(n)$ grows at least exponentially. It follows that the property of a toric monotone symplectic manifold to have real central fiber is very restrictive.

Application II: Chekanov tori. The Chekanov torus was defined in [11] as the first example of monotone Lagrangian tori in \mathbb{R}^{2n} which is not symplectomorphic to a product torus. We show that it can be embedded into any toric monotone symplectic manifold M and compute its displacement energy germ, by closely following the ideas used in [12]. In particular, its germ shows that the Chekanov torus is exotic in M . Furthermore, the polytope which is obtained as level set of the displacement energy germ is never centrally symmetric, and hence the Chekanov torus in M is not real, see for example Figure 8 in Section 5.

Theorem 1.4. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold satisfying property FS. Then the Chekanov torus can be embedded into M to yield an exotic Lagrangian torus which is not real.*

In the case of $M = \times_n S^2$, we prove that arbitrary products of Chekanov tori are pairwise not symplectomorphic and hence we get a collection of non real exotic Lagrangian tori in $\times_n S^2$ whose cardinality grows like the partition function and hence like $e^{\sqrt{n}}$ with n . The fact that these tori are exotic can be seen as an extension of earlier work by Chekanov–Schlenk [12] for $S^2 \times S^2$. In case the moment polytope of M is centrally symmetric, we furthermore prove that the Chekanov torus and products thereof can be realized as the fixed point set of a smooth involution. Hence in that case, Theorem 1.4 exhibits a symplectic phenomenon. We recall that Kim showed in [24] that the Chekanov torus in $S^2 \times S^2$ is not real by using that the count of Maslov-index two holomorphic disks on this torus is five, while this count on real Lagrangians must be even. For Chekanov tori in other toric monotone symplectic manifolds, this condition for realness seems to be less useful than our condition, since the count of Maslov-index two disks is difficult, see Remark 6.1.

Remark and Questions. In this paper we look at monotone Lagrangian tori that appear as the fibre of a torus fibration. In del Pezzo surfaces there exist many more monotone Lagrangian tori, that are the fibre of an *almost* toric fibration. An infinity of such tori were constructed by Vianna [37], and for del Pezzo surfaces different from $\mathbb{C}P^2$ many more are found in [8]. One can show that the level sets of displacement energy are still given by the shape of the almost toric base polygons and hence only those tori with centrally symmetric base polygons may be real, by Theorem 1.1. Details will be given in [8], see also the forthcoming [10]. Since none of the almost toric base polygons of the exotic tori is centrally symmetric, our main result still holds, showing that none of the new tori is real. In view of this and our present work we ask:

Question 1.5. Let (M, ω) be a toric monotone symplectic manifold which contains a real Lagrangian torus.

- (1) Is the moment polytope of M necessarily centrally symmetric?
- (2) Suppose the moment polytope of M is centrally symmetric. Is the central fibre the unique real Lagrangian torus, up to Hamiltonian isotopy?

In dimension four, the only closed toric monotone symplectic manifolds are the toric del Pezzo surfaces $S^2 \times S^2$ and the k -fold blow-up X_k of $\mathbb{C}P^2$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$, and the only closed monotone symplectic manifolds are the del Pezzo surfaces $S^2 \times S^2$ and X_k with $k \leq 8$, with unique symplectic structure up to scaling, see [37] for references.

- (3) Is it true that the only real tori up to Hamiltonian diffeomorphism in a closed monotone symplectic 4-manifold are the Clifford torus in $S^2 \times S^2$ and in X_3 ?

We note that the uniqueness in $S^2 \times S^2$ was proved by Kim [23].

A few motivations for the study of real Lagrangian submanifolds.

We conclude this introduction by mentioning some of the strands that lead to the study of real Lagrangian submanifolds.

1. A related theme is the study of real algebraic varieties, namely the fixed point set of an anti-holomorphic involution of a complex algebraic variety. The study of their topological properties has a rich history with an impressive body of results, see [16]. It is interesting to see which of these results have analogues in the symplectic setting.

2. Let ι be a *smooth* involution of a manifold X . Classical Smith theory

$$(2) \quad \chi(\text{Fix}(\iota)) = \chi(X) \pmod{2},$$

$$(3) \quad \dim H(\text{Fix}(\iota); \mathbb{Z}_2) \leq \dim H(X; \mathbb{Z}_2)$$

relates the homology of the fixed point set of a smooth involution to the homology of the ambient manifold. We refer to [7] for details. It is interesting to find invariants of real Lagrangian manifolds that go beyond the Smith inequalities, and thus describe a genuine symplectic phenomenon. As was noted by Kim [24], the Chekanov torus in $S^2 \times S^2$ can be realized as the fixed point set of a smooth involution, but not of an anti-symplectic one. In the general context of toric monotone symplectic manifolds (see table (1)), Theorem 1.2 seems to yield a significantly stronger obstruction than Smith theory, which only excludes two of the five manifolds in dimension 4 and five of the eighteen manifolds in dimension 6.

In symplectic geometry, real Lagrangians have appeared quite a while ago under different forms:

3. Several time-honoured systems in classical mechanics, like the planar circular restricted 3-body problem, are invariant under several anti-symplectic involutions. Their fixed point sets can be used to find special orbits, see [19].

4. The Arnold–Givental conjecture generalizes the classical Arnold conjecture on the number of Lagrangian intersections in terms of real Lagrangian manifolds, see e.g. [27, §11.3].

5. The presence of an anti-symplectic involution simplifies J -holomorphic disk counts in some situations, see for example Oh [32], or the more recent work by Fukaya–Oh–Ohta–Ono [20].

6. Welschinger [40] has applied techniques from Gromov–Witten theory to real Lagrangians to gain new insights in real enumerative geometry, which has generated a lot of interest and subsequent work.

As of now, very little is known about which topological types of Lagrangians can be realized as fixed point sets of anti-symplectic involutions and if real Lagrangians have some uniqueness properties. Some progress has been made by Kim [25], who proved that real Lagrangians in a given compact symplectic manifold are unique up to cobordism, and that the only real Lagrangian in $\mathbb{C}P^2$ is $\mathbb{R}P^2$ up to Hamiltonian isotopy. More recent are [23, 24] that we discussed earlier. In collaboration with J. Kim and J. Moon [9], we construct many real Lagrangians of different topological types in toric symplectic manifolds by lifting symmetries of the moment polytope.

Organization of the paper. In Section 2 we discuss real Lagrangians and versal deformations. We prove Theorem 1.1 on the displacement energy germ of real Lagrangians. In Section 3, we discuss the displacement energy of toric fibres with a focus on the case in which the moment polytope has property FS . This discussion is instrumental for both our applications. In Section 4, we discuss whether fibres of toric symplectic manifolds are real and establish a criterion in terms of the geometry of the corresponding moment polytope. In particular, we prove Theorem 1.2. In Section 5, we deal with Chekanov tori in toric monotone symplectic manifolds and show that none of them are real, see Theorem 1.4. The appendix in Section 6 outlines an alternate approach to our results using J -holomorphic curves.

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the appendix. I am grateful to Felix Schlenk for his generous support and countless remarks from which this paper has greatly benefited.

2. Versal deformations of real Lagrangians

In this section, we will discuss real Lagrangians, displacement energy and versal deformations. In particular, we will prove Theorem 1.1, the proof of which relies on two key observations. Firstly, the displacement energy is invariant under anti-symplectic involutions, see Proposition 2.8. Secondly, if we combine this invariance with a \mathbb{Z}_2 -equivariant Weinstein neighbourhood Theorem, we obtain the desired result.

2.1. Real Lagrangians

Let (M, ω) be a symplectic manifold and let σ be an anti-symplectic involution on M , i.e. a smooth map satisfying $\sigma \circ \sigma = \text{id}$ and $\sigma^*\omega = -\omega$. Its fixed point set $\text{Fix } \sigma$ is a (possibly not connected) Lagrangian submanifold whenever it is not empty.

Definition 2.1. *A Lagrangian submanifold L in (M, ω) is called real if there is an anti-symplectic involution of M having L as a connected component of its fixed point set.*

Example 2.2. The equator in the standard symplectic 2-sphere (S^2, ω) is real. The corresponding involution is given by reversing the height $z \mapsto -z$. By taking the product of this example, we can describe the product of equators (also known as the Clifford torus) as the fixed point set of an anti-symplectic involution on $\times_n S^2$.

Example 2.3. Let $(\mathbb{C}P^n, \omega_{\text{FS}})$ be the complex projective space equipped with the Fubini–Study form. Then $\mathbb{R}P^n \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$ is real since it is the fixed point set of the anti-symplectic involution

$$\sigma: \mathbb{C}P^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^n, \quad [z_0 : \dots : z_n] \mapsto [\bar{z}_0 : \dots : \bar{z}_n].$$

It is well-known that this example can be generalized to all toric manifolds, an observation which gives rise to so-called real toric geometry. See for example [1], [21] or [16].

Example 2.4. Any symplectic manifold (M, ω) can be seen as a real Lagrangian submanifold in $(M \times M, \omega \oplus -\omega)$. The embedding is given by the

diagonal map $p \mapsto (p, p)$ and the corresponding anti-symplectic involution is given by exchanging the two coordinates in $M \times M$.

Example 2.5. Let $(T^*Q, \omega_0 = -d\lambda)$ be the cotangent bundle of a smooth manifold Q equipped with its canonical symplectic form. The map which reverses momenta,

$$\sigma_0: T^*Q \rightarrow T^*Q, \quad (q, p) \mapsto (q, -p),$$

satisfies $\sigma_0^*\lambda = -\lambda$ and is therefore an anti-symplectic involution. Its fixed point set is the zero section

$$\text{Fix } \sigma_0 = Q \subset T^*Q.$$

By Weinstein's Lagrangian neighbourhood theorem and Example 2.5, any Lagrangian submanifold admits a *locally defined* anti-symplectic involution of which it is the fixed point set. Of course, locally defined involutions might not extend globally. On the other hand, Meyer [28] proved that any anti-symplectic involution σ with non-empty fixed point set is locally of the form described in Example 2.5. This can be viewed as a \mathbb{Z}_2 -equivariant version of Weinstein's theorem.

Theorem 2.6. (Meyer [28]) *Let σ be an anti-symplectic involution of a symplectic manifold (M, ω) containing a Lagrangian $L \subseteq \text{Fix } \sigma \neq \emptyset$. Furthermore let T^*L be equipped with its canonical symplectic form and the anti-symplectic involution σ_0 which reverses momenta. Then there is a σ -invariant neighbourhood V of L , a σ_0 -invariant neighbourhood U of the zero-section in T^*L and a symplectomorphism*

$$g: (U, \omega_0|_U) \rightarrow (V, \omega|_V),$$

which maps the zero section to L and which intertwines the anti-symplectic involutions σ and σ_0 ,

$$(4) \quad g \circ \sigma_0 = \sigma \circ g.$$

2.2. Displacement energy

Recall that the displacement energy of a compact subset A of a symplectic manifold (M, ω) is defined as

$$e_M(A) = \inf \{ \|H\| \mid H \in C_c^\infty([0, 1] \times M), \varphi_H^1(A) \cap A = \emptyset \},$$

where

$$\|H\| = \int_0^1 \left(\max_{x \in M} H_t(x) - \min_{x \in M} H_t(x) \right) dt$$

is the Hofer norm on $C_c^\infty([0, 1] \times M)$. By convention, we put $e_M(A) = \infty$ whenever the set of displacements is empty.

Example 2.7. Let $T(a) \subset (\mathbb{R}^2, \omega_0)$ be the circle enclosing area $a > 0$ in the plane. Its displacement energy is

$$e_{\mathbb{R}^2}(T(a)) = a.$$

By taking products, we obtain Lagrangian *product tori* $T(a_1, \dots, a_n) = T(a_1) \times \dots \times T(a_n) \subset (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_0)$. Their displacement energy is (see Remark 3.3)

$$e_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}}(T(a_1, \dots, a_n)) = \min\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}.$$

Given a symplectomorphism ψ of (M, ω) we have $\varphi_{H \circ \psi^{-1}}^t = \psi \circ \varphi_H^t \circ \psi^{-1}$. The set A is thus displaced by the time-one map of H if and only if $\psi(A)$ is displaced by the time-one map of $H \circ \psi^{-1}$. Since the Hofer norm satisfies $\|H \circ \psi^{-1}\| = \|H\|$, it follows that displacement energy is invariant under symplectomorphisms,

$$e_M(\psi(A)) = e_M(A).$$

The same is true for anti-symplectic involutions.

Proposition 2.8. *Let σ be an anti-symplectic involution on a symplectic manifold (M, ω) . Then the displacement energy is invariant under σ in the sense that*

$$e_M(\sigma(A)) = e_M(A)$$

for any compact subset $A \subset M$.

Proof. Let $H \in C_c^\infty([0, 1] \times M)$ be a Hamiltonian, X_H^t and φ_H^t its associated vector field and flow. Since σ is an anti-symplectic involution, we have

$$X_{H \circ \sigma}^t = -\sigma_*(X_H^t \circ \sigma).$$

Define $H'_t = -H_t \circ \sigma$. Its Hamiltonian vector field is

$$X_{H'}^t = \sigma_*(X_H^t \circ \sigma)$$

and thus we get for the respective flows

$$\varphi_{H'}^t = \sigma \circ \varphi_H^t \circ \sigma.$$

This proves that a set A is displaced by φ_H^1 if and only if $\sigma(A)$ is displaced by $\varphi_{H'}^1$. Since $\|H'\| = \|H\|$, the claim follows. \square

2.3. Versal Deformations

Versal deformations were introduced in symplectic geometry by Chekanov [11] and subsequently used in [12] and [13] as a tool to distinguish Lagrangian submanifolds. The idea is to look at the behaviour of known symplectic invariants on neighbouring Lagrangians of the submanifolds in question. Let us outline the construction. Since we will only use the displacement energy as an invariant, we will restrict ourselves to this case. We refer to [13] for details.

In every cotangent bundle T^*L of a closed Lagrangian submanifold, Lagrangians which are C^1 -close to the zero section can be identified with the graphs of closed one-forms. Using Weinstein’s theorem, one can translate this identification to the case of any Lagrangian $L \subset (M, \omega)$ as follows. For a given Weinstein chart $g : T^*L \supset U \rightarrow V \subset M$ there is a C^1 -neighbourhood $\widehat{\mathcal{U}} \subset \Omega_{\text{cl}}^1(L)$ of the zero section in the space of closed one-forms, a C^1 -neighbourhood $\widehat{\mathcal{V}}$ of L in the space of Lagrangian submanifolds in M , and a bijection

$$\widehat{w}_L^g : \widehat{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{V}}, \quad \alpha \mapsto g(\Gamma_\alpha),$$

where we denote the graph of $\alpha \in \Omega^1(L)$ by Γ_α . Furthermore, C^1 -small Hamiltonian perturbations of the zero section in T^*L are in one-to-one correspondence with C^1 -small exact one-forms, and hence the above map descends to

$$w_L^g : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{V},$$

where we divide out exact one-forms on the left-hand side and Hamiltonian isotopies on the right-hand side. In particular we can view \mathcal{U} as a neighbourhood of zero in $H^1(L, \mathbb{R})$. Up to Hamiltonian isotopy, neighbouring Lagrangians of L are thus parametrized by a neighbourhood of zero in the vector space $H^1(L, \mathbb{R})$.

As displacement energy is invariant under Hamiltonian isotopies we can compose it with the above map w_L^g to obtain a function on \mathcal{U}

$$H^1(L, \mathbb{R}) \supset \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}, \quad [\alpha] \mapsto e_M(g(\Gamma_\alpha)).$$

The germ at 0 associated to this function corresponds to the displacement energy of neighbouring Lagrangians of L and will be denoted by

$$S_L^g : (H^1(L, \mathbb{R}), 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}.$$

The following remark is crucial for what will follow.

Remark 2.9. The germ of the bijection w_L^g is independent of the choice of Weinstein chart g and thus so is the germ S_L^g . Hence we will write $S_L = S_L^g$. See [13] for details.

We are now in a position to prove Theorem 1.1, which we recall for the reader’s convenience.

Theorem 2.10. *Assume that $L \subseteq \text{Fix } \sigma$ is a compact real Lagrangian submanifold of (M, ω) . Then the displacement energy germ S_L is even,*

$$S_L(-p) = S_L(p).$$

Proof. By Theorem 2.6 we can pick a Weinstein neighbourhood g such that $g \circ \sigma_0 = \sigma \circ g$. Let $\alpha \in \Omega_{\text{cl}}^1(L)$ be a one-form representing p , then $\sigma_0(\Gamma_\alpha) = \Gamma_{-\alpha}$. Hence, using the invariance of the displacement energy under anti-symplectic involutions, we find

$$\begin{aligned} S_L^g(-\alpha) &= e_M(g(\Gamma_{-\alpha})) \\ &= e_M(g(\sigma_0(\Gamma_\alpha))) \\ &= e_M(\sigma(g(\Gamma_\alpha))) \\ &= e_M(g(\Gamma_\alpha)) \\ &= S_L^g(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Since $S_L^g = S_L$ is independent of the choice of g , the claim follows. □

3. Displacement energy of toric fibres

In this section we compute the displacement energy of toric fibres. We begin by proving that displacement energy can only increase under symplectic

reduction. This observation was already made in [1] and will be used here to prove the existence of a lower bound as well as an upper bound on the displacement energy of toric fibres. For the lower bound, we will use the fact that any toric symplectic manifold can be seen as a symplectic quotient of some \mathbb{C}^k via Delzant’s construction. For the upper bound, we will give a slightly modified version of McDuff’s method by probes, see [26]. In the last part of this section we will apply these results to compute the displacement energy of toric fibres in toric monotone symplectic manifolds. This is a crucial ingredient for Sections 4 and 5.

3.1. Displacement energy and symplectic reduction

Let $(\widehat{M}, \widehat{\omega}, \nu)$ be a Hamiltonian G -space. Recall that this a symplectic manifold $(\widehat{M}, \widehat{\omega})$ equipped with a Hamiltonian action of a compact Lie group G generated by a moment map $\nu: \widehat{M} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$. We furthermore assume that $(\widehat{M}, \widehat{\omega}, \nu)$ admits symplectic reduction at the level $0 \in \mathfrak{g}^*$, i.e. 0 is a regular value and G acts freely on $Z = \nu^{-1}(0)$. This means that we have the following reduction diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z = \nu^{-1}(0) & \hookrightarrow & (\widehat{M}, \widehat{\omega}) \\ & & \downarrow p \\ & & (M, \omega) \end{array}$$

with $\widehat{\omega}|_{TZ} = p^*\omega$. Furthermore, assume that the symplectic quotient (M, ω) is compact.

Lemma 3.1. *Under the above hypotheses, we have*

$$e_{\widehat{M}}(p^{-1}(A)) \leq e_M(A)$$

for any set $A \subset M$.

In other words, symplectic reduction can only increase displacement energy. The proof of Lemma 3.1 runs as follows. For any Hamiltonian $H \in C^\infty(M \times [0, 1])$ which displaces A we will construct a compactly supported Hamiltonian $\widehat{H} \in C_c^\infty(\widehat{M} \times [0, 1])$ which displaces $p^{-1}(A)$ and which has the same Hofer norm as H . The Hamiltonian \widehat{H} is obtained as an extension of the lift $p^*H \in C^\infty(Z \times [0, 1])$ which is zero outside of a tubular neighbourhood of $Z \subset \widehat{M}$. Although this was already outlined in

[1], we give a full proof for the reader's convenience.

Proof of Lemma 3.1. If A is not displaceable, there is nothing to show. Therefore let H be a Hamiltonian on M which displaces A . We can assume that $\min_{p \in M} H_t(p) = 0$ for all $t \in [0, 1]$. Now fix a time $t \in [0, 1]$ and pick a tubular neighbourhood of Z , i.e. a diffeomorphism

$$\chi : NZ \supset U \rightarrow V \subset \widehat{M}$$

from a neighbourhood U of the zero section inside the normal bundle $\pi : NZ \rightarrow Z$ to a neighbourhood V of $Z \subset \widehat{M}$ mapping the zero section to Z . Let $\rho \in C^\infty(U)$ be a function such that

1. $\rho = 1$ on the zero section and $\rho \leq 1$ elsewhere,
2. ρ is compactly supported.

We can now define \widehat{H}_t on U by putting $\widehat{H}_t(v) = \rho(v)p^*H_t(\pi(v))$. By using χ , we transport this function to a function \widehat{H}_t on V , which can be smoothly extended to all of \widehat{M} by zero since ρ has compact support. Notice that the Hofer norm of \widehat{H} is equal to the Hofer norm of H . For $\widehat{H}_t \in C^\infty(\widehat{M})$ we have

$$(5) \quad \widehat{H}_t|_Z = p^*H_t.$$

In particular, $\widehat{H}_t|_Z$ is invariant under the G -action on Z . We will show that the restriction of the Hamiltonian vector field $X_{\widehat{H}_t}^t$ to Z

1. is tangent to Z ,

$$(6) \quad (X_{\widehat{H}_t}^t)_z \in T_z Z \quad \forall z \in Z;$$

2. projects to the Hamiltonian vector field of H on M ,

$$(7) \quad p_*(X_{\widehat{H}_t}^t|_Z) = X_H^t.$$

In order to prove (6), we use the invariance of $\widehat{H}_t|_Z$ under the action of G , which implies that the following equivalent conditions hold

$$\begin{aligned} d\widehat{H}_t(z)(X_\zeta)_z &= 0 \quad \forall \zeta \in \mathfrak{g}, \\ \Leftrightarrow \langle d\nu(z)(X_{\widehat{H}_t}^t)_z, \zeta \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall \zeta \in \mathfrak{g}, \\ \Leftrightarrow (X_{\widehat{H}_t}^t)_z &\in T_z Z. \end{aligned}$$

Here X_ζ denotes the fundamental vector field of the G -action associated to $\zeta \in \mathfrak{g}$. The last line follows from the fact that $T_z Z = T_z \nu^{-1}(0) = \ker d\nu(z)$. Let $Y \in TM$ and pick $\widehat{Y} \in TZ$ so that $p_* \widehat{Y} = Y$. Using (5), we find $d(\widehat{H}_t|_Z)(\widehat{Y}) = dH_t(Y)$, which we use to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(p_* X_{\widehat{H}}^t, Y) &= \omega(p_* X_{\widehat{H}}^t, p_* \widehat{Y}) \\ &= (p^* \omega)(X_{\widehat{H}}^t, \widehat{Y}) \\ &= \widehat{\omega}(X_{\widehat{H}}^t, \widehat{Y}) \\ &= d(\widehat{H}_t|_Z)(\widehat{Y}) \\ &= dH_t(Y) \\ &= \omega(X_H^t, Y). \end{aligned}$$

This proves (7). Now let φ_H^t and $\varphi_{\widehat{H}}^t$ denote the corresponding Hamiltonian flows. Since equation (7) holds for all $t \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$(8) \quad p \circ \varphi_{\widehat{H}}^t|_Z = \varphi_H^t \circ p.$$

Since $\varphi_H^1(A) \cap A = \emptyset$, take the pre-image under p of both sides to get $p^{-1}(\varphi_H^1(A)) \cap p^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$. Together with equation (8),

$$\varphi_{\widehat{H}}^1(p^{-1}(A)) \cap p^{-1}(A) \subseteq p^{-1}(\varphi_H^1(A)) \cap p^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$$

and hence $\varphi_{\widehat{H}}^1$ displaces $p^{-1}(A)$. □

3.2. Lower bound for toric fibres

Let (M^{2n}, ω) be a compact toric symplectic manifold. By this we mean that T^n acts effectively on M by Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms which are generated by a moment map $\mu: M \rightarrow \mathfrak{t}^*$. We identify the dual \mathfrak{t}^* of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{t} of T^n with \mathbb{R}^n by choice of a basis. As is the case for all Hamiltonian torus actions, the image of μ is a convex polytope $\Delta = \mu(M) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, called *moment polytope*. Since M is toric, the corresponding moment polytope has the Delzant property, see [17] or [2] for details. Furthermore, Delzant showed that M can be reconstructed from such Δ by taking a suitable symplectic quotient of \mathbb{C}^k by the action of a linear subtorus of T^k acting by the standard action on \mathbb{C}^k . Let ν be the moment map of this action. The situation is summarized by the following reduction diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z = \nu^{-1}(0) & \hookrightarrow & (\mathbb{C}^k, \omega_0) \\ \downarrow p & & \\ (M, \omega) & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \Delta. \end{array}$$

We describe the moment polytope $\Delta \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ of M by a set of inequalities

$$\langle x, v_i \rangle \leq \kappa_i, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, k\},$$

where the v_i are the unique outward-pointing normal vectors to the facets of Δ which are primitive in the lattice $\mathbb{Z}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Define the functionals on \mathbb{R}^n

$$\ell_i(x) = \kappa_i - \langle x, v_i \rangle$$

for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. Every ℓ_i defines a half-space $\{\ell_i \geq 0\}$ and the moment polytope Δ is given by the intersection of these half-spaces. Using Lemma 3.1, we will give a lower bound for the displacement energy of any toric fibre $T_x = \mu^{-1}(x)$.

Proposition 3.2. *Let (M, ω, μ) be a toric symplectic manifold with moment polytope Δ . Then for every $x \in \Delta$ the displacement energy of the corresponding toric fibre is bounded from below by*

$$e_\Delta(x) = e_M(T_x) \geq \min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_k(x)\},$$

where $\ell_i(x)$ is the affine distance of x to the i -th facet of Δ .

Proof. As is clear from the Delzant construction, $p^{-1}(T_x) = p^{-1}(\mu^{-1}(x)) \subset \mathbb{C}^k$ is the product torus

$$T(a_1, \dots, a_k) = \{(z_1, \dots, z_k) \in \mathbb{C}^k \mid \pi|z_i|^2 = a_i\},$$

with $a_i = \ell_i(x)$. Since $e_{\mathbb{C}^k}(T(a_1, \dots, a_k)) = \min\{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$ by Remark 3.3, the claim follows from Lemma 3.1. □

Remark 3.3. In order to compute the displacement energy of a product torus in \mathbb{C}^n , we use the inequalities

$$\min\{a_1, \dots, a_k\} \leq c_1(T(a_1, \dots, a_k)) \leq e_{\mathbb{C}^k}(T(a_1, \dots, a_k)) \leq \min\{a_1, \dots, a_k\},$$

where c_1 denotes the first Ekeland-Hofer capacity. The first inequality follows from Theorem (b) on page 43 of [36] and the second from [22, Theorem 1.6],

which are both obtained by applying the calculus of variations to the action functional of classical mechanics. The third inequality follows from Proposition 3.4. This is the only *hard* symplectic result we use and hence our methods do not rely on J -holomorphic curves, with the obvious exception of the complementary appendix.

3.3. Upper bound for toric fibres

In order to prove displaceability in toric symplectic manifolds, McDuff introduced probes in [26], a technique independently found in [12]. We will show that probes can be interpreted in the framework of Lemma 3.1 by performing symplectic reduction on the pre-image of the probe. Let (M, ω) be a toric symplectic manifold with moment map μ and moment polytope $\Delta = \{\ell_i \geq 0, \forall i\}$. A probe $P_{i,u}(w)$ is determined by a facet $F_i = \{\ell_i = 0\} \cap \Delta$ of Δ , a point $w \in F_i$ and a vector $u \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ which is integrally transverse to F_i . By this we mean that u can be completed to a \mathbb{Z} -basis of \mathbb{Z}^n by vectors parallel to F_i . The set $P_{i,u}(w) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is the half open line segment obtained as the union of $\{w\}$ with the open segment defined by the intersection of $\hat{\Delta}$ with the line emanating from w in direction u , see Figure 2. Displaceability of toric fibres lying on a suitable probe was proved in [26].

Proposition 3.4. *Let $x \in \Delta$ be a point in a probe $P_{i,u}(w)$ lying in the same half of $P_{i,u}(w)$ as w and not on the midpoint of the probe. Then*

$$e_{\Delta}(x) \leq \ell_i(x).$$

Proof. Since u is integrally transverse to F_i we can assume, up to applying a transformation in $\mathrm{SL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$, that $u = e_1$ and that F_i lies in the hyperplane spanned by e_2, \dots, e_n . Indeed, the integral transversality condition states that there is a \mathbb{Z} -basis u, f_2, \dots, f_n of the lattice \mathbb{Z}^n , where the f_j are parallel to F_i . This means that there is an integral change of basis mapping the ordered set of vectors u, f_2, \dots, f_n to the ordered set of vectors $e_1, \pm e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n$, where we choose the sign of the second vector such that the determinant of the transformation is $+1$. Hence we obtain $w = (0, w')$ for some $w' \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ and $x = (\ell_i(x), w')$. Let $U = \mu^{-1}(\hat{\Delta} \cup \hat{F}_i) \subset M$. The subtorus $T^{n-1} = \{1\} \times S^1 \times \dots \times S^1 \subset T^n$ acts freely¹ on U . The moment map of this action $\mu' : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ is obtained by restricting μ to U

¹This can be seen as follows. For toric manifolds (M, ω, μ) the stabilizer of any point $p \in M$ can be read off from the moment polytope (viewed as $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{t}^*$) by taking the subtorus inside T^n which is generated by the annihilator of the smallest face of Δ which contains $\mu(p)$. In our situation, the annihilator is generated by e_1 and hence the stabilizer is the first coordinate circle in T^n .

and by dropping the first coordinate

$$\mu'(y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}) = (\mu_2|_U(y_1), \dots, \mu_n|_U(y_{n-1})).$$

We get $(\mu')^{-1}(w') = \mu^{-1}(P_{i,u}(w))$ and since T^{n-1} acts freely on this set, we can consider the following symplectic reduction

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mu')^{-1}(w') & \hookrightarrow & (U, \omega|_U) \\ \downarrow p & & \\ (D^2(a), \omega_0). & & \end{array}$$

Here, the reduced space is an open disk of area a equal to the affine length of the probe. The fibre we are interested in is

$$T_x = \mu^{-1}(x) = p^{-1}(T(\ell_i(x))),$$

where $T(\ell_i(x)) \subset D^2(a)$ is the circle bounding area $\ell_i(x)$. By our assumption on x , we have $\ell_i(x) < \frac{a}{2}$ and therefore $T(\ell_i(x)) \subset D^2(a)$ has displacement energy $\ell_i(x)$. Hence by Lemma 3.1 and the fact that $U \subset M$, we find

$$e_\Delta(x) = e_M(T_x) \leq e_U(T_x) \leq e_{D^2(a)}(T(\ell_i(x))) = \ell_i(x).$$

□

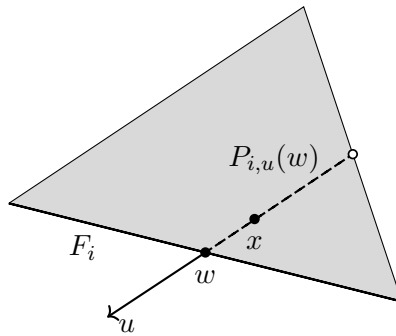


Figure 2. The probe $P_{i,u}(w)$.

3.4. Probes in monotone polytopes

Let $\Delta = \{\ell_i \geq 0, \forall i\}$ be the moment polytope of a toric monotone symplectic manifold (M, ω) . We can assume that the barycentre lies in $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and that $\ell_i(0) = \kappa_i = 1$. McDuff [26] discovered that displaceability by probes is related to the Ewald conjecture, which we briefly state here. Let $\mathcal{S}(\Delta) = \Delta \cap (-\Delta) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$ be the set of non-zero symmetric integral points of Δ . The Ewald conjecture states that the set $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$ contains an integral basis. McDuff proved that every point except the barycentre is displaceable by probes if and only if Δ satisfies a slightly stronger property than the one conjectured by Ewald. For more details, we refer to the paper [26].

In our case, we only need to know the function $e_\Delta: x \mapsto e_M(T_x)$ on an open and dense subset of Δ and thus we can work directly with a variation of the Ewald conjecture which has been checked by Øbro [29] for dimensions ≤ 8 and by Paffenholz [33] for dimension 9. This approach is also used in [8].

Definition 3.5. *The polytope Δ has property FS if every facet $F \subset \Delta$ contains a point of the set $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$.*

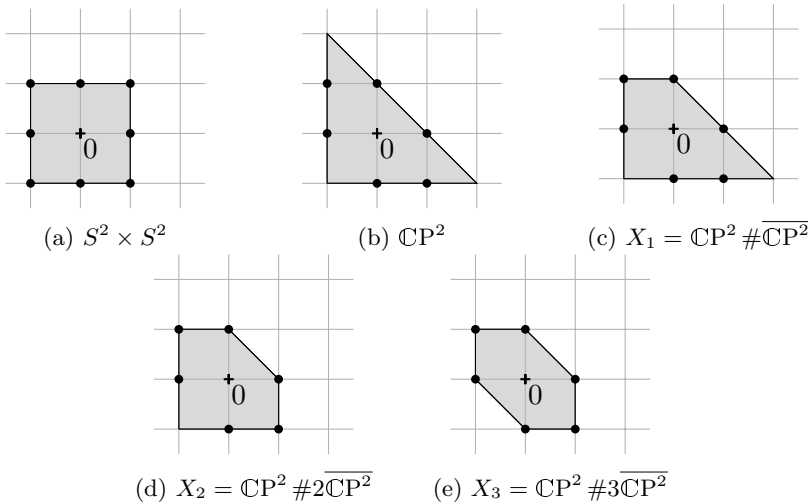


Figure 3. The set $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$ for the moment polytopes of the five toric del Pezzo surfaces.

Øbro and Paffenholz checked that all monotone polytopes in dimensions ≤ 9 satisfy property FS. We therefore expect property FS to hold for all

monotone Delzant polytopes. The two-dimensional case is obvious by the classification of four-dimensional toric monotone symplectic manifolds, see Figure 3. Let Δ_0 be the set of points $x \in \Delta$ such that $\min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_n(x)\}$ is attained by exactly one $\ell_i(x)$. This is an open, dense subset of Δ which is subdivided into chambers Δ_i by the hyperplanes $\ell_i = \ell_j$, see Figure 5 in Section 4.

Lemma 3.6. *Let (M, ω) be a toric symplectic manifold whose moment polytope Δ satisfies property FS. Then*

$$e_\Delta(x) = \min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_k(x)\}$$

for all $x \in \Delta_0$.

Proof. The lower bound on the displacement energy follows from Proposition 3.2. For the upper bound, let $x \in \Delta_i$, which means that $\min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_k(x)\} = \ell_i(x)$. The set Δ_i is the cone $\{ty \mid t \in (0, 1], y \in \mathring{F}_i\}$ over the interior \mathring{F}_i of the i -th facet F_i of Δ . We are going to construct a probe with respect to F_i and apply Proposition 3.4 for the upper bound. By the property FS, we can pick $u \in F_i \cap \mathcal{S}(\Delta)$. Since u is integrally transverse to F_i and $-u \in \Delta$, this yields a probe with the barycentre $0 \in \Delta$ as its midpoint. Take the unique probe $P_{i,u}(w)$ parallel to u which contains x , see Figure 4. We claim that the point x lies in the same half of $P_{i,u}(w)$ as w , which finishes the proof. If x lies on the segment with endpoints u and $-u$, then this is obvious. Otherwise, the three points u , $-u$ and x define a unique plane V . Now let $v \in V \cap \Delta$ be the endpoint of the segment $V \cap F_i$ which lies on the same side of the segment $[u, -u]$ as x . By convexity of Δ , the intersection $V \cap \Delta$ is convex and hence the segment $[-u, v]$ lies in $V \cap \Delta$. Therefore x lies in the same half of $P_{i,u}(w)$ as w . Figure 4 illustrates this construction in $V \cap \Delta$. □

4. Application I: Toric fibres

An important class of examples for Lagrangian tori are moment fibres in toric symplectic manifolds. In this Section we use Theorem 1.1 to give a criterion to exclude toric fibres from being real in terms of the function e_Δ . We assume that e_Δ is given by the affine distance to the boundary of the moment polytope, see Assumption 4.2. In Section 3, we proved that this assumption is reasonable in case the ambient manifold is monotone. In the present

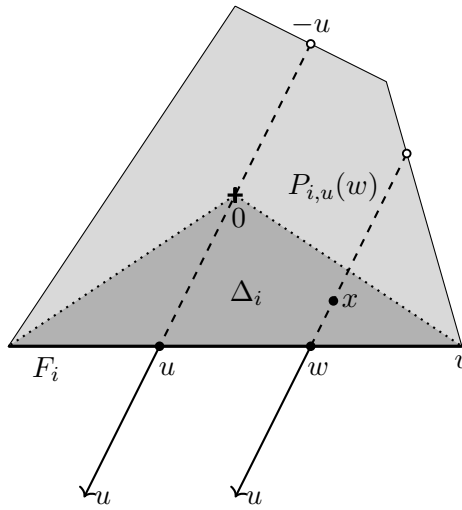


Figure 4. Construction of the probe $P_{i,u}(w)$.

section, we do not assume monotonicity except for the proof of Theorem 1.2.

Let (M^{2n}, ω) be a compact toric symplectic manifold with moment map μ and moment polytope Δ . For every point x in the interior $\mathring{\Delta}$ of the moment polytope, the set $T_x = \mu^{-1}(x)$ is a Lagrangian torus in M called toric fibre. Furthermore, the map

$$\begin{aligned} (H^1(T^n, \mathbb{R}), 0) \cong (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) &\rightarrow \{\text{Lagrangian tori in } M\} \\ a &\mapsto T_{x+a} = \mu^{-1}(x + a), \end{aligned}$$

that is defined for all a such that $x + a \in \mathring{\Delta}$, yields a versal deformation of T_x . Indeed, the components of μ give action coordinates on $\mu^{-1}(\mathring{\Delta})$ and thus T_{x+a} and T_{x+b} are related by a C^1 -small Hamiltonian isotopy if and only if $a = b$. Varying x in \mathbb{R}^n as above therefore yields an n -dimensional family of Hamiltonian isotopy classes of Lagrangian tori and hence a versal deformation of T_x .

As a warm-up example and as an illustration to Theorem 2.10, we consider the Clifford torus in products of S^2 .

Example 4.1. Let (S^2, ω) be the unit 2-sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 equipped with the rescaled Euclidean area form $\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{area}$, for which $\int_{S^2} \omega = 2$. Let $H : S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the projection to the z -axis $H(p) = z$. Since the Hamiltonian flow of

H is 1-periodic, it defines a toric structure on S^2 with moment polytope $[-1, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$. The level sets of $T_c = H^{-1}(c)$ are circles of fixed height and have displacement energy

$$e_{S^2}(T_c) = \begin{cases} 1 - |c| & \text{if } c \in [-1, 1] \setminus \{0\}, \\ \infty & \text{if } c = 0. \end{cases}$$

Recall from Example 2.2 that the equator T_0 is real. In accordance with Theorem 2.10, the displacement energy germ $S_{T_0}(c) = e_{S^2}(T_c)$ is invariant under $c \mapsto -c$. Consider the n -fold product of this example. The corresponding moment map μ is given as the n -fold product of the above Hamiltonian H . The moment polytope is the unit square $\Delta = [-1, 1] \times \dots \times [-1, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. The level sets of μ are products of circles of fixed height. Their displacement energy is

$$e_{\times_n S^2}(T_{(c_1, \dots, c_n)}) = \begin{cases} \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{1 - |c_i|\} & \text{if } (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in \Delta \setminus \{0\}; \\ \infty & \text{if } (c_1, \dots, c_n) = 0. \end{cases}$$

The *Clifford torus* T_0 is real, and its displacement energy germ

$$S_{T_0}(c_1, \dots, c_n) = e_{\times_n S^2}(T_{(c_1, \dots, c_n)})$$

is invariant under $(c_1, \dots, c_n) \mapsto (-c_1, \dots, -c_n)$.

We will now turn to the class of toric symplectic manifolds for which the level sets of the function

$$e_\Delta: \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}, \quad x \mapsto e_M(T_x)$$

look as in Figure 1 in Section 1, namely like scalings of $\partial\Delta$. Let

$$\ell_i(x) = \kappa_i - \langle x, v_i \rangle$$

be the functionals on \mathbb{R}^n which define $\Delta = \{\ell_i \geq 0, \forall i\}$, where the v_i are the primitive outward pointing normal vectors to the facets, see Subsection 3.2. The facets F_i of Δ are given by the intersection of the moment polytope and the affine hyperplanes bounding the half-spaces, $F_i = \Delta \cap \{\ell_i = 0\}$. For every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the value $\ell_i(x)$ is equal to the affine distance of x to the corresponding facet F_i . See [26] for details.

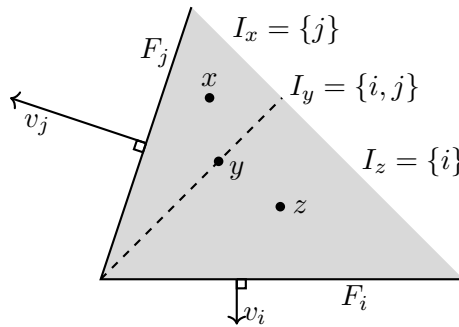


Figure 5. The set I_x for three different points.

Assumption 4.2. For all x in an open dense subset of Δ , the displacement energy of the toric fibre over $x \in \Delta$ is given by the affine distance of x to the boundary $\partial\Delta$, i.e.

$$e_\Delta(x) = \min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_k(x)\}.$$

If a variation of the Ewald conjecture holds, then this assumption is true for all monotone symplectic toric manifolds. See Section 3.4 for details.

For any $x \in \overset{\circ}{\Delta}$ define the set I_x of indices i for which the minimal affine distance to $\partial\Delta$ is attained by the corresponding ℓ_i , i.e. $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ belongs to I_x if and only if $\ell_i(x) = \min\{\ell_1(x), \dots, \ell_k(x)\}$. Notice that if I_x is not a singleton, then x lies in a finite union of hyperplanes, see Figure 5.

Proposition 4.3. Let $x \in \Delta$. Under Assumption 4.2, the displacement energy germ of the corresponding toric fibre is given by

$$S_{T_x}(a) = \min_{i \in I_x} \{\ell_i(x + a)\},$$

for $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ in an open dense subset around 0.

Proof. By Assumption 4.2, we have

$$S_{T_x}(a) = e(T_{x+a}) = \min_{1 \leq i \leq k} \{\ell_i(x + a)\} = \min_{i \in I_x} \{\ell_i(x + a)\}.$$

The last equality holds since $I_{x+a} \subseteq I_x$ for small enough a . □

Proposition 4.4. Let $x \in \Delta$ be such that $T_x \subset M$ is a real Lagrangian. Under Assumption 4.2 the moment polytope has to satisfy the following

symmetry condition. For each $i \in I_x$ there is $j \in I_x$ such that $v_i = -v_j$. In particular, I_x contains an even number of elements.

Proof. By Theorem 2.10, if T_x is real, then $S_{T_x}(a) = S_{T_x}(-a)$. By Proposition 4.3, this translates to

$$\min_{r \in I_x} \{\ell_r(x + a)\} = \min_{s \in I_x} \{\ell_s(x - a)\}$$

for a in an open neighbourhood of $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$. For every $i \in I_x$, there is an open set U_i (which may not contain 0) such that $\ell_i(x + a) = \min_{r \in I_x} \{\ell_r(x + a)\}$ for all $a \in U_i$. Hence, there is $j \in I_x$ such that, possibly after shrinking the subset U_i , we have

$$\ell_i(x + a) = \ell_j(x - a), \quad \forall a \in U_i.$$

Using $\ell_i(x + a) = \ell_i(x) - \langle v_i, a \rangle$, we deduce that $\langle v_i + v_j, a \rangle = 0$ for all $a \in U_i$ and hence $v_i = -v_j$. □

We are now in a position to prove Theorem 1.2.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. Assume that M is monotone and that its moment polytope satisfies property *FS*. Lemma 3.6 implies that Assumption 4.2 holds. Furthermore, since M is monotone, one can choose the moment polytope s.th. $\ell_i(0) = 1$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ and thus $I_0 = \{1, \dots, k\}$. Hence the theorem follows from Proposition 4.4. □

5. Application II: Chekanov tori

Chekanov tori were defined in [11] as the first examples of monotone Lagrangian tori in \mathbb{C}^n which are not symplectomorphic to a product torus. In this section, we recall an alternative construction given in [12], see also [18], and show that the Chekanov torus can be embedded into any toric monotone symplectic manifold. Under the property *FS*, we compute its displacement energy germs and show that it is exotic and not real.

5.1. Embedding Chekanov tori

Let T^n act on \mathbb{C}^n by the standard Hamiltonian torus action generated by the moment map

$$\nu: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (z_1, \dots, z_n) \mapsto \pi(|z_1|^2, \dots, |z_n|^2) + (-1, \dots, -1).$$

The image of ν is the positive quadrant in \mathbb{R}^n translated by the vector $(-1, \dots, -1)$. By \widehat{T}^{n-1} we will denote the linear subtorus

$$(9) \quad \widehat{T}^{n-1} = \{(e^{i\alpha_1}, \dots, e^{i\alpha_n}) \mid \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n = 0\} \subset T^n,$$

which has a natural Hamiltonian action on \mathbb{C}^n . Now take a smooth embedded curve $\gamma(t) = r(t)e^{2\pi i\vartheta(t)}$ in \mathbb{C} which encloses area 1 and for which

$$(10) \quad 0 < \vartheta(t) < \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < r(t) < \sqrt{\frac{n}{\pi}} + \delta,$$

for a small $\delta > 0$. From γ construct the curve $\Gamma(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(\gamma(t), \dots, \gamma(t))$ lying in the diagonal plane in \mathbb{C}^n .

Definition 5.1. *The Chekanov torus Θ^n in \mathbb{C}^n is the torus swept out by Γ under the action of \widehat{T}^{n-1} ,*

$$\Theta^n = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} (e^{i\alpha_1}\gamma(t), \dots, e^{i\alpha_n}\gamma(t)) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n = 0 \right\}.$$

The Chekanov torus is embedded, Lagrangian and monotone. Notice that $\nu(\Theta^n)$ is contained in the diagonal line, and by the choice of γ in (10) every component satisfies

$$(11) \quad \varepsilon - 1 < \nu_i(\Theta^n) < \varepsilon$$

for a small $\varepsilon > 0$, see Figure 6.

Remark 5.2. The Chekanov torus $\Theta^n \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ is not real. In fact, by the Smith inequality (3), tori in \mathbb{C}^n cannot be realized as the fixed point set of a *smooth* involution.

Let M^{2n} be a toric monotone symplectic manifold with moment map μ . We show that Θ^n can be embedded into M . Pick a vertex v of its moment polytope $\Delta = \mu(M) = \{\ell_i \geq 0\}$. Since Δ is a Delzant polytope, we can assume (up to applying a transformation in $\text{SL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$) that the facets meeting at v are parallel to the coordinate hyperplanes. By monotonicity, one can choose these hyperplanes to lie at affine distance 1 to the origin and hence $v = (-1, \dots, -1)$. In other words, we assume that the n first functionals

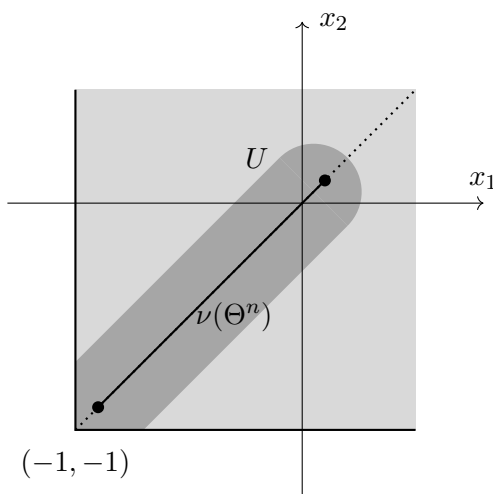


Figure 6. The image of $\Theta^n \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ under ν .

defining Δ satisfy

$$(12) \quad \ell_1(x) = 1 + x_1, \dots, \ell_n(x) = 1 + x_n.$$

Equivalently, the moment polytope Δ near v has the same structure as $\nu(\mathbb{C}^n)$ near $\nu(0)$. This can be used to construct an embedding of Θ^n into M . By convexity of Δ , the line segment between the origin and v is contained in Δ . By (11) we can thus choose a neighbourhood $U \subset \nu(\mathbb{C}^n)$ of the segment $\nu(\Theta^n)$ which fits into Δ , see again Figure 6. This yields a T^n -equivariant symplectic embedding of the neighbourhood $\nu^{-1}(U)$ of Θ^n into M . Denote the so obtained Chekanov torus by Θ_M^n . By equivariance of the embedding, it is invariant under the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -action on M induced by μ .

Proposition 5.3. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold. Then the Chekanov torus embeds into M to yield a monotone Lagrangian torus $\Theta_M^n \subset M$.*

Proof. We prove that Θ_M^n is monotone. This means that the Maslov index and the area class are proportional on disks with boundary on Θ_M^n , i.e. that there is a $C > 0$ such that

$$\text{Maslov}(D) = C \int_D \omega, \quad \forall D \in \pi_2(M, \Theta_M^n).$$

The homotopy long exact sequence yields

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_2(M) \rightarrow \pi_2(M, \Theta_M^n) \rightarrow \pi_1(\Theta_M^n) \rightarrow 0.$$

As a basis for $\pi_1(\Theta_M^n)$ we choose $[\Gamma]$ and the orbits of the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -action. The Maslov index and the area class vanish on the latter and $\text{Maslov}([\Gamma]) = 2 \int_{[\Gamma]} \omega = 2$. On spheres, the Maslov index is equal to twice the first Chern class of the ambient manifold. Recall that M is itself monotone with $c_1 = [\omega]$ (because of our choice of normalization $\kappa_i = 1$) and thus we obtain $\text{Maslov}(D) = 2c_1(D) = 2 \int_D \omega$ for all $D \in \pi_2(M)$. This proves that Θ_M^n is monotone with $C = 2$. \square

Remark 5.4. In general, the tori Θ_M may depend on the choice of the vertex v . However, in the cases of $\times_n S^2$ and $\mathbb{C}P^n$ all vertices of the corresponding moment polytopes are interchangeable by an element of $\text{SL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ and hence we obtain a unique torus Θ_M up to symplectomorphism.

5.2. Versal deformations

Assume that M has property *FS*. For readability, we will write $\stackrel{\otimes}{\cong}$ for equalities that hold on an open dense subset of a neighbourhood of the origin of a vector space. By monotonicity, we can assume $l_i(0) = 1$ for all i and hence, by Proposition 4.3,

$$S_{T_0}(a) = e_{\Delta}(a) \stackrel{\otimes}{\cong} \min\{l_1(a), \dots, l_n(a)\}.$$

In particular, the displacement energy germ of the central fibre T_0 is determined by the moment polytope. The displacement energy germ of the corresponding Chekanov torus Θ_M is closely related to the one of T_0 .

Lemma 5.5. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold satisfying property *FS*. Then the displacement energy germ of the Chekanov torus Θ_M^n is given by*

$$(13) \quad S_{\Theta_M^n} \stackrel{\otimes}{\cong} S_{T_0} \circ \phi.$$

Here $\phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is the piece-wise linear homeomorphism defined by (18) and (19), which does not depend on M .

Proof. We will closely follow the ideas used in [12] to compute $S_{\Theta_{S^2 \times S^2}}$. Since there is no risk of confusion here, we denote the Chekanov torus by $\Theta = \Theta_M^n$.

Let $\mu: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be the moment map for which Δ has the form (12). Notice that the subtorus \widehat{T}^{n-1} defined by equation (9) has a natural Hamiltonian action on M via the inclusion $\widehat{T}^{n-1} \subset T^n$ and that Θ is invariant under this torus action. The moment map $\widehat{\mu}: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ corresponding to the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -action is given by

$$(14) \quad \widehat{\mu} = (\mu_1 - \mu_n, \dots, \mu_{n-1} - \mu_n).$$

As a basis of $H_1(\Theta, \mathbb{Z})$, we choose the class $[\Gamma]$ of the curve lying in the diagonal and the classes $[\tau_1], \dots, [\tau_{n-1}]$ of the orbits of the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -action. The latter can also be seen as the closed orbits of the Hamiltonians $\mu_i - \mu_n$. By the equivariant Weinstein neighbourhood theorem, we can choose a versal deformation of Θ which preserves the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -orbit structure. Let t_1, \dots, t_{n-1} and s be the deformation parameters corresponding to the classes $[\tau_1], \dots, [\tau_{n-1}]$ and $[\Gamma]$. This means that the deformation parameters t_1, \dots, t_{n-1} measure the change in symplectic area of the disks with boundary $[\tau_1], \dots, [\tau_{n-1}]$ and s the change in area of the disk bounding $[\Gamma]$. For small deformation parameters, the resulting deformation yields an embedded torus. For convenience we denote $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$. Since \widehat{T}^{n-1} -orbits are preserved, we find that the Lagrangian neighbour $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ of Θ maps to a line segment $\mu(\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s})$ parallel to $\mu(\Theta)$. Furthermore, by equation (14), the line segment $\mu(\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s})$ is contained in the line

$$(15) \quad L_{\mathbf{t}} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_1 - x_n = t_1, \dots, x_{n-1} - x_n = t_{n-1}\}.$$

See Figure 7. We prove that whenever $t_i \neq 0$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$, the versal deformation $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ of Θ is Hamiltonian isotopic to a toric fibre $T_x = \mu^{-1}(x)$ for a suitable $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$. Since the displacement energy is preserved under Hamiltonian isotopies, property *FS* and Lemma 3.6 yield the displacement energy germ of Θ . Notice that if $t_i \neq 0$ for all i , then \widehat{T}^{n-1} acts freely on the set

$$Z_{\mathbf{t}} = \mu^{-1}(L_{\mathbf{t}} \cap \Delta \setminus \{y_2\}) = \widehat{\mu}^{-1}(\mathbf{t}) \setminus \mu^{-1}(y_2).$$

The intersection $L_{\mathbf{t}} \cap \Delta$ consists of two points. We call y_1 the point in this intersection closest to the vertex $(-1, \dots, -1)$ and y_2 the point furthest away. Since the intersection $L_{\mathbf{t}} \cap \Delta$ in y_1 is integral transversal as in the proof of Proposition 3.4, the action is indeed free. Note that this is in general not the case in y_2 and this is why we remove it. Hence, we can perform symplectic reduction by \widehat{T}^{n-1} on $Z_{\mathbf{t}}$

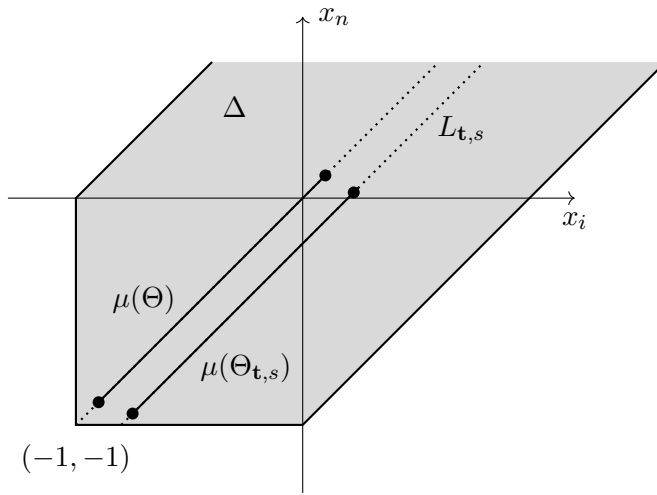


Figure 7. Versal deformation of $\Theta \subset M$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Theta_{\mathbf{t},s} \subset Z_{\mathbf{t}} & \xleftarrow{i} & (M, \omega) \\
 \downarrow p & & \\
 c_{\mathbf{t},s} \subset (M_{\mathbf{t}}, \omega_{\mathbf{t}}) & &
 \end{array}$$

The symplectic quotient $(M_{\mathbf{t}}, \omega_{\mathbf{t}})$ is symplectomorphic to a disk of radius equal to the affine length of $L_{\mathbf{t}} \cap \Delta$. Indeed, since there is a Hamiltonian T^n -action on $Z_{\mathbf{t}}$ the reduced space has an induced Hamiltonian S^1 -action with moment polytope $L_{\mathbf{t}} \cap \Delta \setminus \{y_2\}$. Since $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ is \widehat{T}^{n-1} -invariant, it projects to a circle $c_{\mathbf{t},s} = p(\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s})$. We claim that this circle encloses symplectic area $1 + s$. Since the \widehat{T}^{n-1} -orbits $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{n-1}$ are divided out by the above symplectic reduction, the circle $c_{\mathbf{t},s}$ corresponds to the class $[\Gamma]$ in $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$. The latter class bounds a disk of area $1 + s$ in M since s is the deformation parameter of $[\Gamma]$. By symplectic reduction we have $p^*\omega_{\mathbf{t}} = i^*\omega$ and hence $c_{\mathbf{t},s}$ encloses area $1 + s$. It is thus Hamiltonian isotopic to the circle $S^1(1 + s)$ centered in the origin of the disk $M_{\mathbf{t}}$ which bounds the same area. The pre-image $p^{-1}(S^1(1 + s))$ is a toric fibre T_x and thus the Hamiltonian isotopy in the quotient can be lifted to M to yield a Hamiltonian isotopy between $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ and T_x .

Now, let $\phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be the map that takes (\mathbf{t}, s) to x such that $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ and T_x are Hamiltonian isotopic. Note that this defines ϕ only on an open

dense subset of a neighbourhood of $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ on which we have

$$S_{\Theta}(\mathbf{t}, s) = e_M(\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}) \stackrel{\otimes}{=} e_M(T_{\phi(\mathbf{t},s)}) = e_{\Delta}(\phi(\mathbf{t}, s)) \stackrel{\otimes}{=} S_{T_0}(\phi(\mathbf{t}, s)).$$

We now determine the map ϕ . Let $(\mathbf{t}, s) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be such that ϕ is defined. The point $x = \phi(\mathbf{t}, s)$ lies on $L_{\mathbf{t}}$ and hence

$$t_1 = x_1 - x_n, \dots, t_{n-1} = x_{n-1} - x_n.$$

Recall that $y_1 \in \partial\Delta$ is the point close to $(-1, \dots, -1)$ in which $L_{\mathbf{t}}$ intersects the boundary $\partial\Delta$. The area enclosed by $S^1(1+s) \subset M_{\mathbf{t}}$ is equal to the affine length of the line segment $[z, x]$, which in turn is equal to $1 + \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and hence

$$(16) \quad s = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}.$$

The map ϕ we are looking for is thus given as the inverse of

$$(17) \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_n \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} - x_n \\ \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \end{pmatrix}.$$

There is a unique extension to a piece-wise linear homeomorphism on all of \mathbb{R}^n . By distinguishing cases we obtain

$$(18) \quad \phi(\mathbf{t}, s) = \begin{pmatrix} s + t_1 \\ \vdots \\ s + t_{n-1} \\ s \end{pmatrix},$$

whenever all $t_i \geq 0$ and

$$(19) \quad \phi(\mathbf{t}, s) = \begin{pmatrix} s + t_1 - t_i \\ \vdots \\ s + t_{n-1} - t_i \\ s - t_i \end{pmatrix},$$

if $t_i < 0$ and t_i is minimal among all t_j . □

Instead of working directly with the displacement energy germ S_L of a Lagrangian L , it is often useful to look at its level sets $S_L^{-1}(c)$ for some $c > 0$.

In particular, if L is real, then these level sets are centrally symmetric, by Theorem 2.10. In the case of T_0 , the level sets are rescalings of Δ ,

$$(20) \quad S_{T_0}^{-1}(c) \stackrel{\otimes}{=} \lambda\Delta, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

Here we mean that both sets agree when intersected with a set which is open and dense in the neighbourhood of the origin. Since $S_{\Theta_M^n} \stackrel{\otimes}{=} S_{T_0} \circ \phi$, we obtain

$$(21) \quad S_{\Theta_M^n}^{-1}(c) \stackrel{\otimes}{=} \phi^{-1}(S_{T_0}^{-1}(c)) \stackrel{\otimes}{=} \lambda\phi^{-1}(\Delta).$$

This allows us to understand the versal deformation of Θ_M^n by applying ϕ^{-1} to the moment polytope Δ . The inverse of ϕ is given by equation (17) and its image $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$ is again a convex polytope.

We will now prove that one can pick a suitable vertex v for which the embedding of the Chekanov torus constructed in Subsection 5.1 yields an exotic Lagrangian torus in M , i.e. a torus which is not symplectomorphic to a toric fibre. For this, let F_0 be a facet of the moment polytope Δ which contains the maximal number of integral points among all facets of Δ , let v to be any vertex contained in F_0 and let Θ_M^n be the Chekanov torus embedded with respect to v . A priori, Θ_M^n can only be symplectomorphic to the central toric fibre, since all other fibres are not monotone. By (20) and (21), it suffices to show that the polytopes Δ and $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$ are not $\mathrm{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ -equivalent in order to show that T_0 and Θ_M^n are not symplectomorphic. This follows from the invariance of versal deformations under symplectomorphisms, see for example [13, §2.2]. Note that the maximal number of lattice points in a facet is a $\mathrm{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ -invariant of polytopes and thus it suffices to show that this invariant strictly increases when we apply ϕ^{-1} with respect to v . Assume that Δ is given in the normal form (12) with respect to v and hence the minimum $\min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is constant and equal to -1 on all facets containing $v = (-1, \dots, -1)$. Therefore ϕ^{-1} maps all facets containing v (in particular F_0) to the same facet of $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$. Since ϕ^{-1} is a bijection on the lattice, the facet maximal number of integral points in a facet strictly increases when we pass from Δ to $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$. We have shown

Proposition 5.6. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold satisfying property FS. Then M contains an exotic copy of the Chekanov torus.*

Remark 5.7. The following example shows that the right choice of the vertex v is crucial for the obtained Chekanov torus to be distinguishable

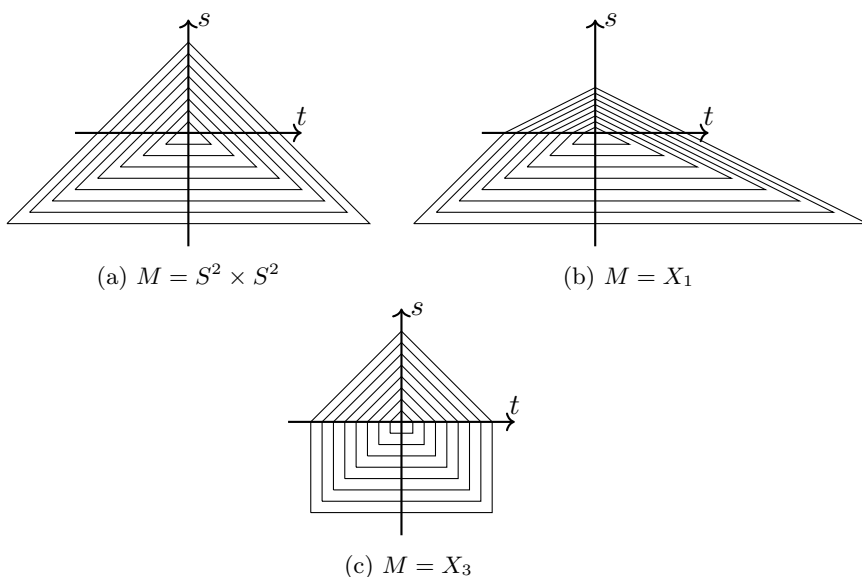


Figure 8. Level sets of the function $S_{\Theta_M^2}$.

from the central fibre by versal deformations. The polytope in \mathbb{R}^2 defined by the functionals

$$1 + x_1, 1 \pm x_2, 1 - x_1 + x_2$$

is the moment polytope of the one-fold blow-up X_1 of $\mathbb{C}P^2$. The level sets of $S_{\Theta_{X_1}^2}$ when Θ^2 is embedded with respect to the vertex $(-1, -1)$ are rescalings of the polytope defined by

$$1 - t, 1 \pm s, 1 + t - s.$$

Since these two polytopes are related by an element in $GL(2, \mathbb{Z})$, versal deformations cannot distinguish between $T_0^2 \subset X_1$ and $\Theta_{X_1}^2$.

5.3. Chekanov tori are not real

As a warm-up, let $M \in \{S^2 \times S^2, \mathbb{C}P^2, X_1, X_2, X_3\}$ be one of the five toric monotone symplectic manifolds in dimension 4. See Figure 3 in Section 3 for their moment polytopes. Then Θ_M^2 is not real. The existence of real Lagrangian tori in $M = \mathbb{C}P^2$ and $M = X_2$ is excluded by the Smith inequality, see (3) in Section 1. Applying ϕ^{-1} to the moment polytopes of the remaining

three cases shows that the corresponding Chekanov tori are not real either, since the level sets of their displacement energy germs are not centrally symmetric, see Figure 8. This can be generalized to all Θ_M^n .

Theorem 5.8. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold satisfying property FS . Then the Chekanov torus Θ_M^n is not real.*

Proof. Again, we suppose that Δ is in the form (12) with distinguished vertex $v = (-1, \dots, -1)$. In order to understand the versal deformation of Θ_M^n , we apply ϕ^{-1} to the moment polytope as in (21). The vertex v is mapped to $-e_n$ and all facets surrounding it to the hypersurface $\{s = -1\}$. Hence, if $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a neighbourhood of v , then there is a neighbourhood $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ of $-e_n$ such that

$$\phi^{-1}(U \cap \partial\Delta) = V \cap \{s = -1\} \subset \partial\phi^{-1}(\Delta).$$

Now suppose that Θ_M^n is real and hence, by (21) that $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$ is centrally symmetric. This implies that

$$(-V) \cap \{s = 1\} \subset \partial\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$$

Since $-V$ is a neighbourhood of e_n , points of the form $e_n + re_i$ belong to $(-V) \cap \{s = 1\}$ and hence to $\phi^{-1}(\Delta)$ for small $r > 0$ and $i \neq n$. This implies that $\phi(e_n + re_i) \in \Delta$. Observe that $\phi(e_n + re_i) = (1, \dots, 1) + re_i$ by equation (18). Since $(1, \dots, 1)$ is integral, it does not belong to the interior of Δ and hence $\phi(e_n + re_i) \in \Delta$ contradicts the convexity of the moment polytope. See Figure 9, the grey areas belong to the respective polytopes in case Θ_M^n is real. □

One may wonder whether Theorem 5.8 reflects a symplectic phenomenon or a smooth one. This is not obvious in general, but we discuss the case in which the moment polytope of M is centrally symmetric. See Section 1 for a discussion and the classification of manifolds having this property. Although Θ_M^n is not real (M has property FS whenever Δ is centrally symmetric), we prove that it can be realized as the fixed point set of a smooth involution.

Proposition 5.9. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold which has a centrally symmetric moment polytope $\Delta = -\Delta$. Then the Chekanov torus Θ_M^n is the fixed point set of a smooth involution.*

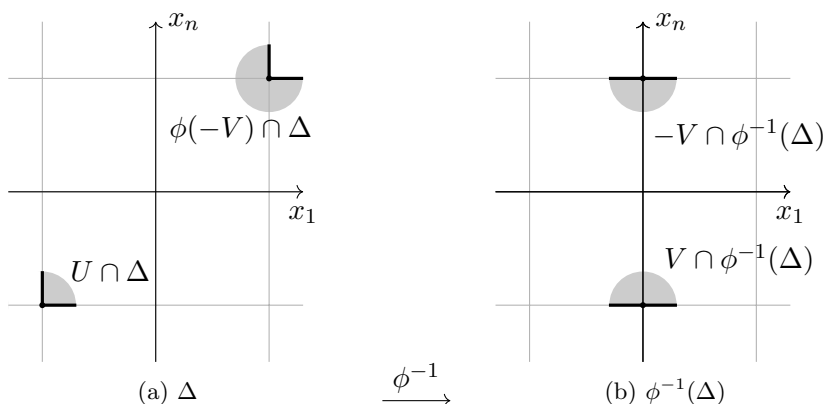


Figure 9. Idea of the proof of Theorem 5.8, the set $\phi(-V) \cap \Delta$ is not convex.

Proof. It is proved in [9] that the central fibre T_0 is real whenever $\Delta = -\Delta$. Hence we can take an anti-symplectic involution σ of M such that $\text{Fix } \sigma = T_0$. We claim that there is a $\psi \in \text{Diff}(M)$ such that $\psi(\Theta_M^n) = T_0$. Then

$$\Theta_M^n = \text{Fix}(\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi)$$

is the fixed point set of a smooth involution. The existence of ψ follows from the proof of Lemma 5.5. Indeed, Θ_M^n is smoothly isotopic to all versal deformations $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ and whenever $\mathbf{t} \neq 0$, we have proved that $\Theta_{\mathbf{t},s}$ is isotopic to a toric fibre T_x . Since all toric fibres are isotopic, so are Θ_M^n and T_0 . \square

5.4. More examples in $\times_n S^2$

In order to obtain more than only one example of non-real exotic Lagrangian torus in a given toric manifold, one may try to embed higher twist tori, see [12] or products of Chekanov tori. We will discuss the second case here. For $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_s)$ with $k_i \geq 2$ and $s \geq 1$, define the product

$$\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m} = \Theta^{k_1} \times \dots \times \Theta^{k_s} \times T_0^m \subset \mathbb{C}^n, \quad \sum_{i=1}^s k_i + m = n,$$

where T_0^m denotes the Clifford torus in \mathbb{C}^m . The image of such products under the standard moment map ν in \mathbb{C}^n is given by a hypercube formed

by the product of diagonal segments

$$\nu(\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m}) = \{(\underbrace{r_1, \dots, r_1}_{k_1}, \dots, \underbrace{r_s, \dots, r_s}_{k_s}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_m) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \varepsilon - 1 < r_i < \varepsilon\}.$$

In order to embed $\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m}$ in a toric monotone symplectic manifold M with moment polytope Δ , one may try to apply the same strategy as for Θ^n , namely put Δ in the normal form (12) and see if $\nu(\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m})$ lies inside Δ . If it is so, the resulting torus is not real.

Proposition 5.10. *Let M be a toric monotone symplectic manifold satisfying property FS. Assume furthermore that $\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m}$ can be embedded as described above. Then the image $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m} \subset M$ is a monotone Lagrangian torus which is not real.*

Proof. Monotonicity follows from the same arguments as in the proof of Proposition 5.3. In order to prove that $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ is not real, we compute its displacement energy germ

$$(22) \quad S_{\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}} \stackrel{\otimes}{=} S_{T_0^n} \circ \phi_{\mathbf{k},m}.$$

Here $\phi_{\mathbf{k},m} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is the piece-wise linear homeomorphism given as a product of the map ϕ defined as in the proof of Lemma 5.5,

$$\phi_{\mathbf{k},m} = \phi_{k_1} \times \dots \times \phi_{k_s} \times \text{id}_m.$$

Indeed, note that the normal form (12) of v splits in $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{k_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{k_s} \times \mathbb{R}^m$ as the product of vertices in normal form. Hence the argument given in Lemma 5.5 can be carried out on the factors. Let $\pi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k_1}$ be the projection to the first k_1 coordinates. Assume that the polytope $\phi_{\mathbf{k},m}^{-1}(\Delta)$ is centrally symmetric. Then so is its projection $\pi(\phi_{\mathbf{k},m}^{-1}(\Delta))$. By the product structure of $\phi_{\mathbf{k},m}$, we have $\pi(\phi_{\mathbf{k},m}^{-1}(\Delta)) = \phi_{k_1}^{-1}(\pi(\Delta))$. By convexity of Δ , the projection $\pi(\Delta)$ is in normal form at the vertex $\pi(v)$ and hence we can apply the same argument as in the proof of Theorem 5.8 to get a contradiction to the convexity of $\pi(\Delta)$. □

To enumerate the non-real product tori $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ that one obtains by this method up to symplectomorphism, one should now solve the following two problems: First, for which vertices v does $\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m}$ fit into the normal form of Δ at v ? Second, which of the so-obtained tori $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ (also depending on the vertex v) are exotic and which are pairwise non-symplectomorphic?

For a general M , both problems seem to involve complicated combinatorics outside of the scope of the present paper, whence we will only carry out the details for $M = \times_n S^2$. In that case, all tori $\Theta^{\mathbf{k},m}$ embed, the embedding does not depend on the vertex v , and all tori $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ turn out to be pairwise distinct.

Let $M = \times_n S^2$. As we have seen in (21), we can understand the versal deformation of Θ_M^n by applying ϕ^{-1} to the moment polytope $\Delta = [-1, 1]^n$ of M . We call the resulting polytopes **Chekanov polytopes** and denote them by

$$CP_n = \phi^{-1}(\Delta).$$

We have a closer look at the geometry and the combinatorics of CP_n . Notice that $s = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is equal to -1 on all facets that contain the vertex $(-1, \dots, -1)$. In other words, all of these facets are mapped to the hyperplane $\{s = -1\}$ by ϕ^{-1} . The one remaining vertex $(1, \dots, 1)$ is mapped to e_n . Hence CP_n has the structure of a convex cone over the $(n - 1)$ -dimensional polytope $P_{-1} = \{s = -1\} \cap CP_n$. In order to understand CP_n , we thus need to understand P_{-1} in the hyperplane $\{s = -1\} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$. We claim that P_{-1} is equal to the polytope obtained by sweeping out the standard $(n - 1)$ -hypercube along $r(1, \dots, 1)$ for all $r \in [-1, 1]$. This follows from equation (17), which yields

$$P_{-1} = \{(x_1 - x_n, \dots, x_{n-1} - x_n) \mid x_i \in [-1, 1] \text{ and } \min\{x_i\} = -1\}.$$

The polytope CP_n has $2^n - 1$ vertices, since ϕ^{-1} maps vertices to vertices except for $(-1, \dots, -1)$ which is mapped to the interior of P_{-1} . The valencies of the vertices are given by

$$(23) \quad V(CP_n) = ((2^n - 2)^{\times 1}, (n + 1)^{\times (2^n - 2n - 2)}, n^{\times 2n}),$$

for $n \geq 3$ where $l^{\times k}$ means that there are k vertices of valency l . We also view $V(P)$ as a vector with as many entries (in decreasing order) as the polytope P has vertices and call $V(P)$ the *valency vector* of P . For $n = 2$, we have $V(CP_2) = (2^{\times 3})$, as illustrated by Figure 8. The general case can be seen as follows. The valency of the vertex at the apex of the cone is equal to the number of vertices of P_{-1} and hence equal to $2^n - 2$. As we have seen, any other vertex w that is not the apex lies in $\{s = -1\}$ and hence it is a vertex of $P_{-1} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$. Furthermore, since CP_n is a cone over P_{-1} , we can count the valency of $w \in CP_n$ by adding 1 to the valency of the same vertex considered in P_{-1} . Thus we have reduced the problem to counting valencies in P_{-1} .

Recall that P_{-1} is obtained by sweeping out the standard $(n - 1)$ -hypercube $C_0 = [-1, 1]^{n-1}$ along the main diagonal,

$$P_{-1} = \bigcup_{r \in [-1, 1]} C_r = \bigcup_{r \in [-1, 1]} [-1 + r, 1 + r]^{n-1}.$$

In the two extremal cases $r = 1$ and $r = -1$, we obtain the two shifted hypercubes $C_1 = [0, 2]^{n-1}$ and $C_{-1} = [-2, 0]^{n-1}$ and P_{-1} is the convex hull of the union $C_1 \cup C_{-1}$. We deduce that every vertex w of P_{-1} is a vertex of C_1 or of C_{-1} . By symmetry of the polytope P_{-1} , we can restrict our attention to understanding the vertices of P_{-1} that are also vertices of C_1 . Note also that we create at most one more outgoing edge at each such vertex when passing from C_1 to P_{-1} by sweeping, namely along the sweeping direction $d = (-1, \dots, -1)$. Since each vertex in C_1 has valency $n - 1$, the valency of each of the vertices of P_{-1} is either $n - 1$ or n . There are essentially four cases:

1. The vertex $(2, \dots, 2) \in C_1$ is a vertex with the same edges in P_{-1} . Hence it appears with valency $n - 1$ in the valency count of P_{-1} .

2. The vertex $(0, \dots, 0) \in C_1$ lies in the interior of P_{-1} , thus it does not appear in the valency count of P_{-1} .

Now let $\epsilon = (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_{n-1}) \in C_1$ be any other vertex of C_1 , meaning that $\epsilon_i \in \{0, 2\}$ with at least one $\epsilon_i = 0$ and one $\epsilon_j = 2$. These vertices all form vertices of P_{-1} and one new outgoing edge is created by the sweeping, since the vector $d = (-1, \dots, -1)$ (along which we sweep) points outwards of C_1 at ϵ . However, in some cases, the sweeping also deletes one edge when passing from C_1 to P_{-1} , meaning that this edge of C_1 points into the interior of P_{-1} .

3. Suppose that the vertex $\epsilon \in P_{-1}$ has all components $= 0$, except for one $\epsilon_i = 2$. Then the outgoing edges of C_1 in ϵ have directional vectors $e_1, \dots, e_{i-1}, -e_i, e_{i+1}, \dots, e_{n-1}$, where e_j denotes the j -th standard basis vector. In P_{-1} , there is an additional edge vector $d = -e_1 - e_2 - \dots - e_{n-1}$. Note however that we can write

$$(24) \quad -e_i = d + e_1 + \dots + e_{i_1} + e_{i+1} + \dots + e_{n-1},$$

meaning that $-e_i$ is a positive linear combination of the other edges. Hence the edge $-e_i$ at ϵ in C_1 is not an edge anymore in P_{-1} , since it points into the interior of P_{-1} . Therefore, the valency of the $n - 1$ vertices of this type is $n - 1$.

4. In all other cases, the directional vectors of the edges are $\pm e_1, \dots, \pm e_n$ with at least two minus signs. This means that none of these vectors can be

written as a positive linear combination of the remaining ones and d as was the case in (24). Hence the valency of these remaining $2^{n-1} - n - 1$ vertices is n .

By doubling all of these valency counts due to the symmetry of P_{-1} , we obtain

$$V(P_{-1}) = (n^{\times 2^n - 2n - 2}, (n - 1)^{2n})$$

Since $\mathbb{C}P_n$ is a cone over P_{-1} , we obtain the valency vector (23).

Proposition 5.11. *If two Lagrangian tori $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ and $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k}',m'}$ in $M = \times_n S^2$ are symplectomorphic, then $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}'$ and $m = m'$.*

Together with Proposition 5.10 we conclude that all the tori $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ in $\times_n S^2$ are not real and mutually not symplectomorphic. The number of such tori is $p(n) - 1$, where $p(n)$ is the number of partitions of n .

Proof of Proposition 5.11. By the product structure of M and (22), the level sets of the displacement energy germ of $\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}$ are given by the product of Chekanov polytopes and intervals $I = [-1, 1]$,

$$S_{\Theta_M^{\mathbf{k},m}}^{-1}(c) \stackrel{\otimes}{\cong} \mathbb{C}P_{k_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}P_{k_s} \times I^m.$$

Hence, it suffices to show that $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_s)$ and m are determined by the $\text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ -equivalence class of $\times_i \mathbb{C}P_{k_i} \times I^m$. This again follows from the $\text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ -invariance of versal deformations of tori, see [13, §2.2]. In order to prove this, we associate to the latter polytopes the vector counting emanating edges at its vertices in decreasing order as in (23). This datum is a $\text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ -invariant of polytopes. Note that if P and P' are polytopes, we have for the respective valency vectors

$$(25) \quad V(P \times P') = V(P) \oplus V(P'),$$

where the operation \oplus on vectors $a = (a_1, \dots, a_{k_1})$ and $b = (b_1, \dots, b_{k_2})$ with $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_{k_1}$ and $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_{k_2}$ is defined as the vector of all possible sums in decreasing order

$$a \oplus b = (a_1 + b_1, \dots, a_{k_1} + b_{k_2}),$$

This operation is commutative and associative, and hence we obtain

$$V(\mathbb{C}P_{k_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}P_{k_s} \times I^m) = V(\mathbb{C}P_{k_1}) \oplus \dots \oplus V(\mathbb{C}P_{k_s}) \oplus V(I^m).$$

Furthermore, this operation is invertible in the following sense. Let $c = (c_1, \dots, c_{k_1 k_2})$ denote $a \oplus b$. Then a is determined by c and b ; in other words, there is an operation \ominus with $c \ominus b = a$. We will prove this by induction on the length k_1 of a . The case $k_1 = 1$ is obvious. In case $k_1 = l + 1$, note that a_1, b_1 and $c_1 = a_1 + b_1$ are by convention the maximal components of the corresponding vectors and hence a_1 is given by $c_1 - b_1$. The situation can be reduced to the case $k_1 = l$ by removing the value a_1 from a and the values $a_1 + b_1, \dots, a_1 + b_{k_2}$ from c .

We will now successively split off factors from the product polytope using the operation \ominus . First, notice that the multiplicity of the maximal entry of $V(\times_i \mathbb{C}P_{k_i} \times I^m)$ determines m and p , where p is the number of times we have $k_i = 2$. Indeed, we have $V(I) = (1^{\times 2})$ and $V(\mathbb{C}P_2) = (2^{\times 3})$ and by equation (25) the multiplicity of the maximal entry is given by $2^m 3^p$. Indeed, by equation (23), the maximal entry in each $V(\mathbb{C}P_{k_i})$ is unique for $k_i \geq 3$. Since the maximal entry in $V(\times_i \mathbb{C}P_{k_i} \times I^m)$ is obtained as a sum of maximal entries of the valency vectors of all factors, its multiplicity in $V(\times_i \mathbb{C}P_{k_i} \times I^m)$ can only be larger than one if there are factors of the type I or $\mathbb{C}P_2$ and in that case it will be $2^m 3^p$. Hence the prime decomposition of this multiplicity yields m and p . After splitting off the corresponding factors, we can assume that $m = 0$ and $k_i \geq 3$. Let M_1 and M_2 be the largest and the second largest component of the valency vector. Then we have $M_1 = \sum_{i=1}^s 2^{k_i} - 2s$ and $M_1 - M_2 = 2^{k_{\min}} - k_{\min} - 3$, where k_{\min} is minimal among all k_i . Therefore $M_1 - M_2$ determines k_{\min} and we can split off $V(\mathbb{C}P_{k_{\min}})$ from the valency vector by using formula (23). \square

6. Appendix: Alternate approach using J -holomorphic disks

In this appendix, we outline an alternate approach to Theorem 1.2 based on the count of J -holomorphic Maslov 2 disks with boundary on the Lagrangian, which was introduced in [18] and [14] and was used in [24] to determine whether a given Lagrangian is real. This approach is less elementary than the above, but has the advantage of avoiding property FS .

Let T_0 be the central fibre in a toric monotone symplectic manifold (M, ω) with moment polytope $\Delta = \{\langle x, v_i \rangle \leq 1\}$. Assuming that T_0 is the fixed point set of an anti-symplectic involution σ , we will show that Δ is centrally symmetric. Fix an ω -compatible almost-complex structure J on M and a

homology class $\xi \in H_1(T_0, \mathbb{Z})$ and define the moduli space

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi) = \{u: (D, \partial D) \rightarrow (M, T_0) \mid & u \text{ } J\text{-holomorphic,} \\ & \text{Maslov}(u) = 2, \\ & [\partial u] = \xi\} / \sim, \end{aligned}$$

where \sim denotes the equivalence relation induced by reparametrizing the domain D by biholomorphisms fixing the point $1 \in \partial D$. We can count (mod 2) the elements of $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi)$ whose boundary passes through a given point on T_0 by taking the degree $n(T_0, J, \xi) \in \mathbb{Z}$ of the evaluation map

$$\text{ev}: \mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi) \rightarrow T_0, \quad [u] \mapsto u(1).$$

See for example [4] for details. As in [24], we now assume in addition that $\sigma^*J = -J$ and associate to every element $[u] \in \mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi)$ its image under the anti-symplectic involution

$$\mathcal{R}: [u] \mapsto [\sigma \circ u \circ \rho],$$

where ρ denotes complex conjugation on the disk. Note that the involution \mathcal{R} maps the moduli space $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi)$ to $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J, -\xi)$ since T_0 is the fixed point set of σ . By Cho and Oh [15], there exists a J_0 -holomorphic disk in $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J_0, \xi)$ if and only if ξ coincides with one of the primitive vectors v_i normal to the facets of the moment polytope Δ . Here, J_0 denotes the Kähler complex structure. The regularity of J_0 was shown in [15] and that of J by Kim [24]. Hence the two counts $n(T_0, J, \xi)$ and $n(T_0, J_0, \xi)$ are well-defined and agree. Since the involution \mathcal{R} maps $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J, \xi)$ to $\mathcal{M}(T_0, J, -\xi)$, we find that a given vector v appears as orthogonal vector to one of the facets if and only if $-v$ does as well. Hence Δ is invariant under central symmetry.

Remark 6.1. One can make a similar argument to show that the Chekanov tori are not real by reformulating the information given by J -holomorphic disks in terms of the Landau-Ginzburg potential (see [3] or [34]). The so-called wall-crossing formulae describe how this potential behaves when passing from the Clifford to the Chekanov torus. We note that our technique using versal deformations is more elementary than the use of wall-crossing, which has only been shown in [34].

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