

# Lecture 2: Shifted symplectic structures

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# Outline

- shifted symplectic and isotropic structures
- examples and constructions

# Symplectic structures

**Recall:** For  $X$  a smooth scheme/ $\mathbb{C}$  is a **symplectic structure** is an  $\omega \in H^0(X, \Omega_X^{2,cl})$  such that its adjoint  $\omega^\flat : T_X \rightarrow \Omega_X^1$  is a sheaf isomorphism.

**Note:** Does not work for  $X$  singular (or stacky or derived):

- $T_X$  and  $\Omega_X^1$  are too crude as invariants and get promoted to complexes  $\mathbb{T}_X$  and  $\mathbb{L}_X$ .
- A form being closed is not just a condition but rather an extra structure.

**Definition:**  $X$  derived Artin stack locally of finite presentation (so that  $\mathbb{L}_X$  is perfect).

- A  $n$ -shifted 2-form  $\omega : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_X \wedge \mathbb{L}_X[n]$  - i.e.  $\omega \in \pi_0(\mathcal{A}^2(X; n))$  - is **nondegenerate** if its adjoint  $\omega^\flat : \mathbb{T}_X \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_X[n]$  is an isomorphism (in  $D_{qcoh}(X)$ ).
- The **space of  $n$ -shifted symplectic forms**  $Sympl(X; n)$  on  $X/\mathbb{C}$  is the subspace of  $\mathcal{A}^{2,cl}(X; n)$  of closed 2-forms whose underlying 2-forms are nondegenerate i.e. we have a homotopy cartesian diagram of spaces

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \textcolor{red}{Sympl}(X, n) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}^{2,cl}(X, n) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{A}^2(X, n)^{nd} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}^2(X, n)
 \end{array}$$

# Shifted symplectic structures: examples (i)

- Nondegeneracy: a duality between the [stacky](#) (positive degrees) and the [derived](#) (negative degrees) parts of  $\mathbb{L}_X$ .
- $G = GL_n \rightsquigarrow BG$  has a canonical 2-shifted symplectic form whose underlying 2-shifted 2-form is

$$k \rightarrow (\mathbb{L}_{BG} \wedge \mathbb{L}_{BG})[2] \simeq (\mathfrak{g}^\vee[-1] \wedge \mathfrak{g}^\vee[-1])[2] = \mathrm{Sym}^2 \mathfrak{g}^\vee$$

given by the dual of the trace map  $(A, B) \mapsto \mathrm{tr}(AB)$ .

- Same as above (with a choice of  $G$ -invariant symm bil form on  $\mathfrak{g}$ ) for  $G$  reductive over  $k$ .
- The [n-shifted cotangent bundle](#)  $T^\vee X[n] := \mathrm{Spec}_X(\mathrm{Sym}(\mathbb{T}_X[-n]))$  has a canonical  $n$ -shifted symplectic form.

## Shifted symplectic structures: examples (ii)

**Theorem:** [PTVV] Let  $F$  be a derived Artin stack equipped with an  $n$ -shifted symplectic form  $\omega \in \mathrm{Symp}(F, n)$ . Let  $X$  be an  $\mathcal{O}$ -compact derived stack equipped with an  $\mathcal{O}$ -orientation  $[X] : \mathbb{H}(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow k[-d]$  of degree  $d$ . If the derived mapping stack  $\mathrm{MAP}(X, F)$  is a derived Artin stack locally of finite presentation over  $k$ , then,  $\mathrm{MAP}(X, F)$  carries a canonical  $(n-d)$ -shifted symplectic structure.

### Remark:

- 0) Analog to Alexandrov-Kontsevich-Schwarz-Zaboronsky result.
- 1) A  $d$   $\mathcal{O}$ -orientation on  $X$  is a kind of Calabi-Yau structure of dimension  $d$ ;
- 2) A **compact oriented topological**  $d$ -manifold has an  $\mathcal{O}$ -orientation of degree  $d$  (Poincaré duality).

# Lagrangian structures

Let  $(Y, \omega)$  be a  $n$ -shifted symplectic derived stack. A **lagrangian structure** on a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is

- path  $\gamma$  in  $\mathcal{A}^{2, \text{cl}}(X; n)$  from  $f^*\omega$  to 0
- that is 'non-degenerate' (in a suitable sense), i.e. the induced map  $\theta_\gamma : \mathbb{T}_f \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_X[n-1]$  is an equivalence.

Examples:

- usual smooth lagrangians  $L \hookrightarrow (Y, \omega)$  where  $(Y, \omega)$  is a smooth  $(0)$ -symplectic scheme.
- there is a bijection between lagrangian structures on the canonical map  $X \rightarrow (\text{Spec } k, \omega_{n+1})$  and  $n$ -shifted symplectic structures on  $X$  (thus lagrangian structures generalize shifted symplectic structures)

## Shifted symplectic structures: examples (iii)

**Theorem:** [PTVV] Let  $(F, \omega)$  be  $n$ -shifted symplectic derived Artin stack, and  $L_i \rightarrow F$  a map of derived stacks equipped with a Lagrangian structure,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then the homotopy fiber product  $L_1 \times_F L_2$  is canonically a  $(n - 1)$ -shifted derived Artin stack.

In particular, if  $F = Y$  is a smooth symplectic Deligne-Mumford stack (e.g. a smooth symplectic variety), and  $L_i \hookrightarrow Y$  is a smooth closed lagrangian substack,  $i = 1, 2$ , then the derived intersection  $L_1 \times_F L_2$  is canonically  $(-1)$ -shifted symplectic.



**Remark:** An interesting case is the **derived critical locus**  $\mathbb{R} \mathrm{Crit}(f)$  for  $f$  a global function on a smooth symplectic Deligne-Mumford stack  $Y$ . Here

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R} \mathrm{Crit}(f) & \longrightarrow & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow df \\ Y & \xrightarrow{0} & T^{\vee} Y \end{array}$$

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- (a) The shifted cotangent bundle  $T_M^\vee[n] = \mathbf{Spec}_{/M}(\mathrm{Sym}_{\mathcal{O}_M}^\bullet(T_M[-n]))$ , equipped with  $n$ -th shift of the standard symplectic form;
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defined for general Lagrangian intersections in **[PTVV'2012]**.

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**Note:** (a) is a special case of (b) corresponding to the zero shifted function.

## Local models (ii)

- Remark:**
- Shifted cotangent bundles are too restrictive to serve as local models of shifted symplectic structures.
  - Derived critical loci of shifted functions have enough flexibility to provide local models. This leads to a remarkable shifted version of the Darboux theorem:

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**Theorem:** [BBBJ'2013] Let  $X$  be a derived Deligne-Mumford stack, and let  $\omega$  be an  $n$ -shifted symplectic structure on  $X$ , with  $n \leq 0$ .

Then, étale locally  $(X, \omega)$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbf{Rcrit}(\mathbf{w}), \omega_{\mathbf{Rcrit}(\mathbf{w})})$  for some shifted function  $\mathbf{w} : M \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1[n+1]$  on a derived scheme  $M$ .

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**Question:** Find additional geometric structures that will ensure a global existence of a potential?



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**Answer:** Potentials always exist in the presence of isotropic foliations.

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**Theorem:** [CPTVV] Let  $X$  be a derived stack, locally of f.p. and let  $\omega$  be an  $n$ -shifted symplectic structure on  $X$ . Assume:

- $\omega$  is exact, i.e.  $[\omega] = 0 \in H_{DR}^\bullet(X)$ ;
- $(X, \omega)$  is equipped with an isotropic foliation  $(\mathcal{L}, h)$ .

Then there exists

- a shifted function  $f : [X/\mathcal{L}] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1[n+1]$ , and
- a symplectic map  $s : X \rightarrow \mathbf{Rcrit}(f)$  of  $n$ -shifted symplectic stacks, i.e.  $s^*\omega_{\mathbf{Rcrit}(f)} = \omega$ .

Moreover, if  $(\mathcal{L}, h)$  is Lagrangian, then  $s$  is étale.