

Connect sum and transversely non simple knots

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Abstract

We prove that transversal non-simplicity is preserved under taking connect sum, generalizing Veřtesi's result [11].



1. Introduction

The goal of this paper is to prove:

THEOREM 1.1. *Let K_1, K_2 be prime knot types in S^3 . Let T_1, T'_1 (resp. T_2, T'_2) be transverse knots in (S^3, ξ_{sym}) of topological type K_1 (resp. K_2). Suppose that*

- (i) T_1, T'_1 have the same self linking number but are not transversely isotopic, and
- (ii) T_2, T'_2 are transversely isotopic and cannot be transversely destabilized.

Then the connect sums $T_1 \# T_2$ and $T'_1 \# T'_2$ are not transversely isotopic.

(We allow the possibility that K_1, K_2 have the same topological type and T_1, T_2 are transversely isotopic.)

REMARK 1.2. *If T_2 is transversely destabilizable and T_1, T'_1 are related to each other by a negative flype move (see [5] for definition), then $T_1 \# T_2$ is transversely isotopic to $T'_1 \# T'_2$.*

The idea behind Theorem 1.1 was a result of Veřtesi, who proved a specialized version of it in her paper [11]. Her result holds only when the transversally non-simple knots in question can be distinguished by invariants in Heegaard Floer homology theory studied in [9]. We make no such restrictions. In fact, Birman-Menasco proved the existence of infinitely many transversely non simple knots [4] that the Heegaard Floer homology invariants do not distinguish [9].

We will give two proofs. The first proof is given in Section 2. It uses the theory of transversal closed braids, and is based upon ideas in [1], [2], [5], [10], [12]. The second proof is given in Section 3. It is inspired by a suggestion of John Etnyre that our theorem ought to follow from a theorem of Etnyre-Honda [7], and uses techniques based upon the well-known idea that every transversal knot type can be represented by a transversal pushoff of some Legendrian knot.

2. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Throughout this paper, $T, T_{i=1,2}$ denote transversal knots in (S^3, ξ_{sym}) the symmetric contact structure of S^3 . Regard S^3 as a one point compactification of \mathbb{R}^3 equipped with

the cylindrical coordinates (r, θ, z) . Thanks to Bennequin [1] we identify transversal knots in (S^3, ξ_{sym}) with closed braids in \mathbb{R}^3 about the z -axis.

DEFINITION 2.1. *Suppose T_1, T_2 have braid presentations*

$$T_1 = b \sigma_{n-1} b' \sigma_{n-1}^{-1}, \quad T_2 = b \sigma_{n-1}^{-1} b' \sigma_{n-1}$$

where n is the braid index and b, b' are some braid words in $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-2}$, the standard generators of the braid group B_n . See Figure 1. Then we say T_1 and T_2 are related to each other by an exchange move.

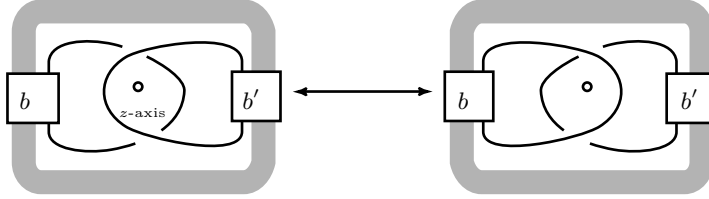


Fig. 1. An exchange move between T_1 (left) and T_2 (right). Thick gray bands are $(n - 1)$ parallel strands and b, b' are some braidings.

As shown in [5, Lemma 1], an exchange move is a composition of a positive braid stabilization and a positive braid destabilization. Thus, an exchange move is a transversal isotopy. We use the following notations:

- $T_1 = T_2$ if T_1, T_2 are braid isotopic (conjugate);
- $T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} T_2$ if T_1, T_2 are exchange equivalent;
- $T_1 \sim T_2$ if T_1, T_2 are transversely isotopic;
- $S^+(T)$ for a transverse knot obtained by a number of positive braid stabilizations of T . It is known that $S^+(T) \sim T$.

Notice that $T_1 = T_2 \Rightarrow T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} T_2 \Rightarrow T_1 \sim T_2$.

DEFINITION 2.2. *We define the braid connect sum $T_1 \# T_2$ of T_1 and T_2 as in Figure 2.*

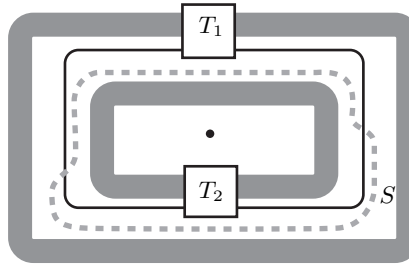


Fig. 2. Connect sum $T_1 \# T_2$ and dividing sphere S (dashed). Thick bands are multi strands.

This definition of connect sum is well defined thanks to Birman-Menasco [2]:

THEOREM 2.3. [2, Composite braid theorem] *Any composite braid can be reduced to the form in Figure 2 by exchange moves and braid isotopy.*

DEFINITION 2.4. *A transverse stabilization of T is a negative braid stabilization, that is, addition of an negative trivial kink about the z -axis. We call the inverse operation transverse destabilization.*

Now we are ready to prove our main theorem.

Proof of Theorem 1.1 Suppose, on the contrary, that $T_1 \# T_2 \sim T'_1 \# T'_2$. Thanks to Orevkov-Shevchishin [10] and Wrinkle [12], after a number of positive braid stabilizations we get $S^+(T_1 \# T_2) = S^+(T'_1 \# T'_2)$. Due to Birman-Wrinkle [5, Lemma 2], one can slide a trivial stabilization loop to any place around the braid by exchange moves and braid isotopy. Therefore,

$$T_1 \# S^+(T_2) \stackrel{e}{=} S^+(T_1 \# T_2) = S^+(T'_1 \# T'_2) \stackrel{e}{=} T'_1 \# S^+(T'_2). \tag{2.1}$$

To simplify notation, since $S^+(T) \sim T$, we will denote $S^+(T_2)$ by T_2 and $S^+(T'_2)$ by T'_2 . Let $f : S^3 \rightarrow S^3$ be a diffeomorphism corresponding to the composition of the exchange moves and braid isotopy in (2.1) so that

$$f(T_1 \# T_2) = T'_1 \# T'_2.$$

We may think that the restriction of f to T_1 does not change θ -coordinate i.e.,

$$f|_{T_1}(r, \theta, z) = (r', \theta, z'). \tag{2.2}$$

In the following, we will deduce $T_1 \sim T'_1$, which contradicts our assumption.

Let $S \subset S^3$ (resp. S') be a 2-sphere separating T_2 (resp. T'_2) and T_1 (resp. T'_1) as in Figure 2. Let p, q (resp. p', q') denote the intersection points of $S \cap T_1 \# T_2$ (resp. $S' \cap T'_1 \# T'_2$). Let \tilde{T}_1, \tilde{T}_2 (resp. $\tilde{T}'_1, \tilde{T}'_2$) be two arcs obtained by cutting $T_1 \# T_2$ (resp. $T'_1 \# T'_2$) at p and q (resp. p', q'). Suppose $\partial T_2 = \{-p\} \cup \{q\}$ (resp. $\partial T'_2 = \{-p'\} \cup \{q'\}$) with respect to the positive orientation of the braid $T_1 \# T_2$. We have

$$T_1 \# T_2 = \tilde{T}_1 \cup \tilde{T}_2 = f(\tilde{T}_1 \cup \tilde{T}_2) = f(\tilde{T}_1) \cup f(\tilde{T}_2).$$

Let

$$A = f(\tilde{T}_2) \cap \tilde{T}'_1, \quad B = f(\tilde{T}_2) \cap \tilde{T}'_2, \quad C = \tilde{T}'_2 \setminus B, \quad D = \tilde{T}'_1 \setminus A,$$

where arcs A, B, C or D may be empty and may have more than one component.

By small perturbation, $f(S) \cap S'$ consists of a number of disjoint circles and $f(S) \cup S'$ divides S^3 into a number of 3-balls. Since $T'_1 \# T'_2$ intersects $f(S)$ (resp. S') only at two points $f(p), f(q)$ (resp. p', q'), some of the balls do not intersect $T'_1 \# T'_2$. We deform $f(S)$ to remove such empty balls, starting with the innermost one without moving $T'_1 \# T'_2$. See Figure 3. We use the same notation $f(S)$ for the changed $f(S)$.

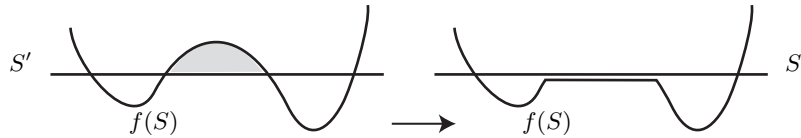


Fig. 3. Removing the shaded innermost empty 3-ball.

Eventually we have the following five cases. Note that by (2.2), we have $\theta_{f(p)} = \theta_p$ and $\theta_{f(q)} = \theta_q$. See Figure 4.

- $f(S) \cap S'$ consists of one circle and S^3 is divided by $f(S) \cup S'$ into four 3-balls. Cyclic order of $\theta_p, \theta_q, \theta_{p'}, \theta_{q'}$ for each case is;

$$\text{Case (1)} \quad \theta_p < \theta_{q'} < \theta_q < \theta_{p'}; \quad \text{Case (1')} \quad \theta_p < \theta_{p'} < \theta_q < \theta_{q'}.$$

- $f(S)$ and S' are disjoint, and S^3 is divided by $f(S) \cup S'$ into two 3-balls and $S^2 \times (0, 1)$.

Case (2) $\theta_p < \theta_{q'} < \theta_{p'} < \theta_q$; Case (3) $\theta_p < \theta_{p'} < \theta_{q'} < \theta_q$;

Case (4) $\theta_p < \theta_q < \theta_{q'} < \theta_{p'}$; Case (5) $\theta_p < \theta_q < \theta_{p'} < \theta_{q'}$.

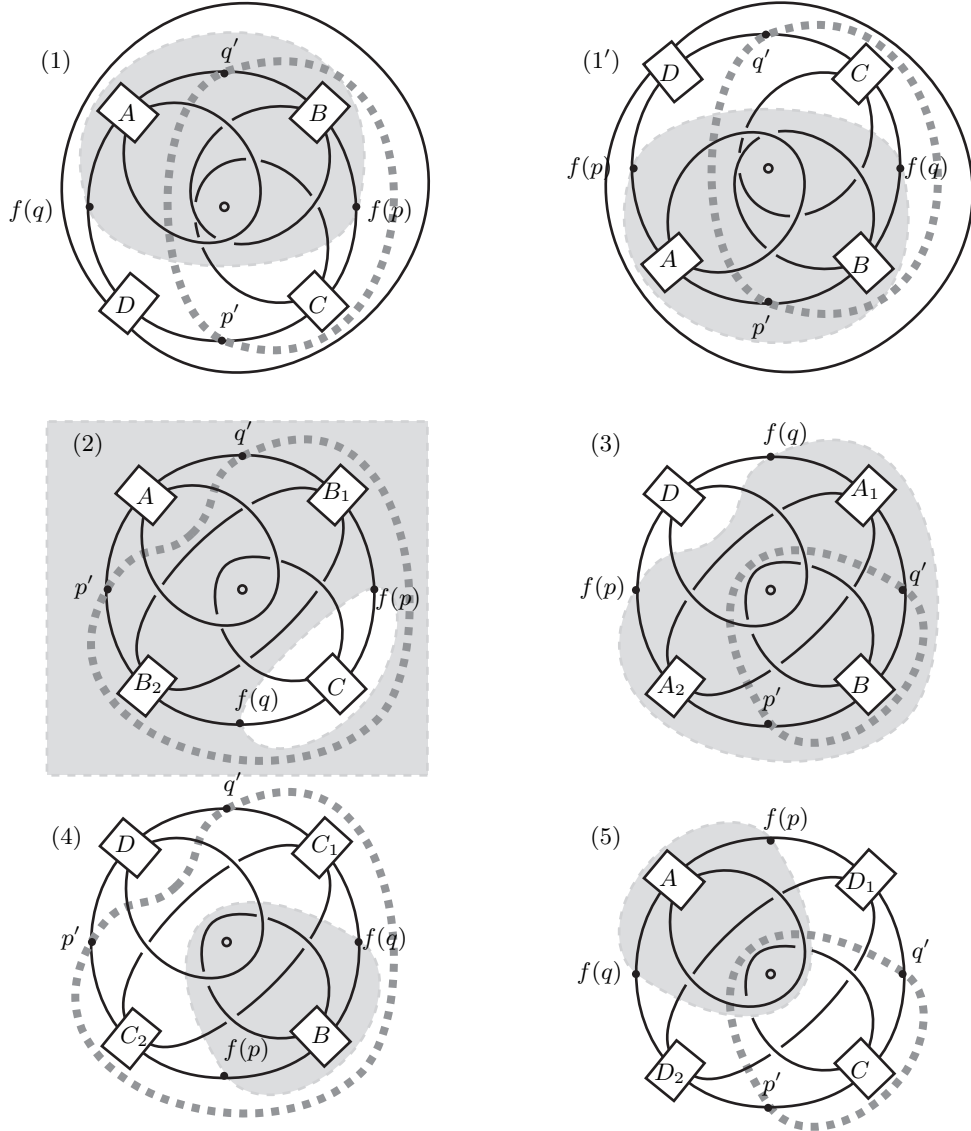


Fig. 4. Transverse knot $T'_1 \# T'_2$ where $A_1 \cup A_2 = A$, $B_1 \cup B_2 = B$, $C_1 \cup C_2 = C$ and $D_1 \cup D_2 = D$. Sphere $S' = \partial\Delta'$ is dashed. The 3-ball $f(\Delta)$ containing $f(\tilde{T}_2)$ is shaded. Braid strands may be weighted.

Let $\overline{A \cup D}$ (resp. $\overline{B \cup C}$) be a closed braid obtained by filling the braid blocks B, C (resp. A, D) with trivial braid strands of braid index 1. They are determined uniquely up to braid isotopy.

CLAIM 2.5. We have $\overline{A \cup D} = T'_1$ (resp. $\overline{B \cup C} = T'_2$).

Proof. This is clear from Definition 2.2 of the connect sum. \square

Let $\overline{C \cup D}$ (resp. $\overline{A \cup B}$) be a closed braid obtained by filling the braid blocks A, B (resp. C, D) with trivial braid strands of braid index 1. Note that $\overline{C \cup D}$ (resp. $\overline{A \cup B}$) is unique up to exchange moves, since after an exchange move f the sphere $f(S)$ is pierced by the braid axes more than twice in general and there may be several ways to take the braid closure.

CLAIM 2.6. We can extend $f(\tilde{T}_1) = C \cup D$ (resp. $f(\tilde{T}_2) = A \cup B$) to the closed braid $\overline{C \cup D}$ (resp. $\overline{A \cup B}$) and the extension satisfies $\overline{C \cup D} \stackrel{e}{=} T_1$ (resp. $\overline{A \cup B} \stackrel{e}{=} T_2$).

Proof. Let $\Delta \subset S^3 \setminus S$ be the 3-ball containing \tilde{T}_2 . Join the end points p, q of \tilde{T}_1 by an arc $\alpha \subset \Delta$ so that $T_1 = \tilde{T}_1 \cup \alpha$.

Suppose $f = f_k \circ \dots \circ f_0$ where f_i ($i = 0, 1, \dots, k$) is an exchange move. We may assume, if necessary, as in Figure 5 by using some braid isotopy with property (2.2), that p, q are fixed by f_i . That is, each of the two exchange arcs is a sub-arc of either \tilde{T}_1 or \tilde{T}_2 .

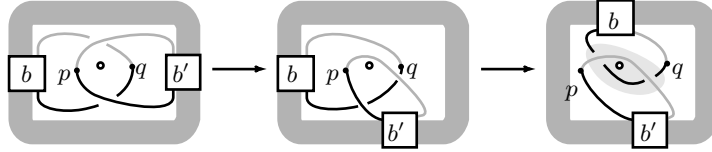


Fig. 5. By braid isotopy, points p and q can be outside the shaded exchange domain. Arc \tilde{T}_1 is colored gray and \tilde{T}_2 is black.

Here we recall some of Birman-Menasco’s foundational work in [2]. Let $H_{\theta_0} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be the half-plane $\{(r, \theta_0, z) | 0 < r, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$. For all but a finite number of $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ the intersection $S \cap H_{\theta}$ is a disjoint union of simple closed curves and properly embedded arcs, in which case H_{θ} is called *non-singular*. Thanks to [2, Lemma 1 and p.135] we may assume that there are no simple closed curves. When H_{θ} is non-singular, we call an arc $\beta \subset S \cap H_{\theta}$ *essential* if the both components of H_{θ} split along β are pierced by our transverse knot.

An exchange move of a composite braid with separating sphere S is done by three steps. See Figure 6. First, without moving the braid we change the shape of S to make a “room” for the coming exchange move, which can be done in the exchange domain (the shaded 3-ball in the right sketch of Figure 5) away from p and q . Second, we move the braid by fixing S . Third, move S by isotopy in order to remove all the inessential arcs from the inner-most one (as in [2, p.120]) if they occur in the above procedure.

Based on this, for each exchange move f_i we define how the joining arc α changes. First, change S as f_i does by fixing \tilde{T}_1 but moving α in the 3-ball Δ by some exchange move if necessary, and $p, q \in S$ are fixed. Second, (a) if an exchange move f_i involves sub-arcs of \tilde{T}_1 then change $\tilde{T}_1 \cup \alpha$ to $f_i(\tilde{T}_1) \cup \alpha$, (b) otherwise, do not change $\tilde{T}_1 \cup \alpha$ at all. Thus, $\tilde{T}_1 \cup \alpha$ and its result after the changes are related to each other by an exchange move up to braid isotopy. Third, remove the inessential arcs as f_i does. Since the arc α is of braid index = 1, even after the third step there may exist inessential arcs.

Repeating this construction for each f_i , we obtain a closed braid $f(\overline{\tilde{T}_1})$ extending $f(\tilde{T}_1) = C \cup D$ and $f(\overline{\tilde{T}_1}) \stackrel{e}{=} T_1$.

Furthermore, $f(\overline{\tilde{T}_1})$ is exchange equivalent to the closed braid $A \cup B \cup C \cup D$ filling

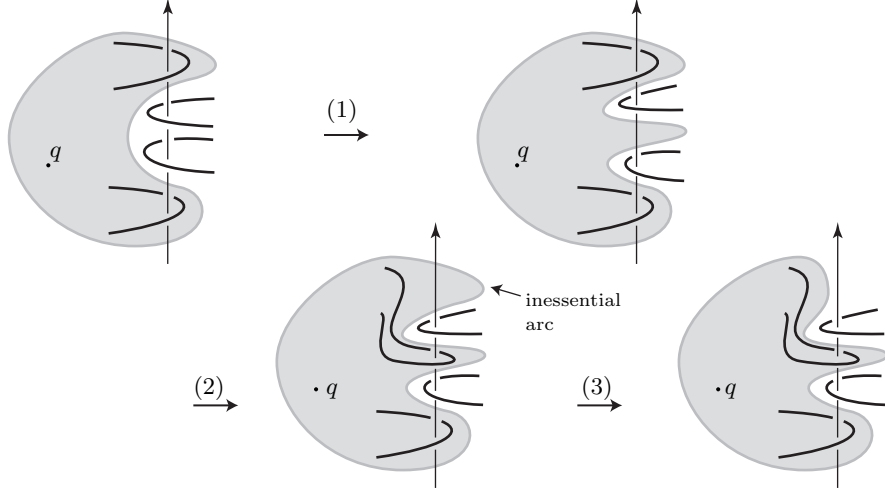


Fig. 6. The three steps of an exchange move. The 3-ball Δ is shaded. Points p (not in the sketch) and q are fixed.

the braid blocks A, B (or A_i, B_j , $i, j = 1, 2$) by trivial arcs of braid index = 1, i.e., $f(\overline{T_1}) \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C \cup D}$. \square

We continue the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Construct closure \overline{A} by filling the braid boxes B, C, D by trivial braid arcs of braid index = 1. Closure \overline{A} is unique up to exchange move. Similarly, construct closures \overline{B} , \overline{C} , \overline{D} . By this construction and Theorem 2.3, in all the five cases we have $T_1 \# T_2' = A \cup B \cup C \cup D = \overline{A} \# \overline{B} \# \overline{C} \# \overline{D}$.

By Claims 2.5, 2.6 and Theorem 2.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &\stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C \cup D} \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \# \overline{D}, \\ T_2 &\stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A \cup B} \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A} \# \overline{B}, \\ T_1' &= \overline{A \cup D} \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A} \# \overline{D}, \\ T_2' &= \overline{B \cup C} \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{B} \# \overline{C}. \end{aligned}$$

(Case 1) Recall K_2 is the topological type of $T_2 \sim T_2'$ and it is a prime knot. Since $T_2 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A} \# \overline{B}$ and $T_2' \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{B} \# \overline{C}$ we have two cases to study.

(Case 1.1) Suppose that topologically \overline{B} is K_2 and $\overline{A}, \overline{C}$ are the unknot. Since T_2 and T_2' are not transversely destabilizable and the unknot is exchange reducible [3, Theorem 1], it follows that $\overline{A}, \overline{C}$ are transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid representative of the unknot. Thus

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \# \overline{D} \sim \overline{D} \sim \overline{A} \# \overline{D} \stackrel{e}{=} T_1'.$$

(Case 1.2) Suppose that topologically \overline{B} is the unknot and $\overline{A}, \overline{C}$ are K_2 . Since $T_2 \sim T_2'$ cannot be transversely destabilized, \overline{B} is transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid and $\overline{A} \sim \overline{A} \# \overline{B} \stackrel{e}{=} T_2 \sim T_2' \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{B} \# \overline{C} \sim \overline{C}$. Thus

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \# \overline{D} \sim \overline{A} \# \overline{D} \stackrel{e}{=} T_1'.$$

Similar arguments hold for (Case 1').

(Case 2) Since K_2 is a prime knot, we have two cases to study.

(Case 2.1) Suppose that topologically \overline{B} is K_2 and $\overline{A}, \overline{C}$ are the unknot. Since T_2 cannot be transversely destabilized, $\overline{A}, \overline{C}$ are transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid. Thus

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \sim \overline{A} = T'_1.$$

(Case 2.2) Suppose that topologically \overline{B} is the unknot and \overline{C} is K_2 . Since $T'_2 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{B} \# \overline{C}$ cannot be transversely destabilized, \overline{B} is transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid. Therefore,

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \sim \overline{C} \# \overline{B} \stackrel{e}{=} T'_2 \sim T_2 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A} \# \overline{B} \sim \overline{A} = T'_1.$$

(Case 3) Since $\overline{A} \# \overline{B} \stackrel{e}{=} T_2 \sim T'_2 = \overline{B}$ cannot be transversely destabilized, \overline{A} is transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid. Therefore,

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{D} \sim \overline{D} \# \overline{A} \stackrel{e}{=} T'_1.$$

(Case 4) Since $\overline{B} \# \overline{C} \stackrel{e}{=} T'_2 \sim T_2 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{B}$ cannot be transversely destabilized, \overline{C} is transversely isotopic to the 1-strand braid. Therefore,

$$T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \# \overline{D} \sim \overline{D} = T'_1.$$

(Case 5) We have $\overline{A} \stackrel{e}{=} T_2 \sim T'_2 = \overline{C}$ thus $T_1 \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{C} \# \overline{D} \stackrel{e}{=} \overline{A} \# \overline{D} \stackrel{e}{=} T'_1$.

In all the cases, we obtain $T_1 \sim T'_1$ which contradicts our assumption that $T_1 \not\sim T'_1$. \square

3. Appendix

In this section, we give an alternative proof of Theorem 1.1 as a corollary of Etnyre-Honda's classification of connected sum Legendrian knots [7, Theorem 3.4]. Since our ambient manifold is S^3 we use its \mathbb{R}^3 -version taken from [8].

Let $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a topological knot type and $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K})$ be the set of Legendrian representatives of \mathcal{K} . We denote by $\mathcal{S}_\pm(L)$ the \pm -stabilization of the Legendrian knot L .

THEOREM 3.1. [7, Theorem 3.4] [8, Theorem 5.11] *Let $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_1 \# \cdots \# \mathcal{K}_n$ be a topological connected sum knot type in \mathbb{R}^3 . The map*

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}_1) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}_n)}{\approx} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}_1 \# \cdots \# \mathcal{K}_n)$$

is a bijection where the equivalence relation \approx is generated by

- (i) $(\dots, \mathcal{S}_\pm(L_i), \dots, L_j, \dots) \approx (\dots, L_i, \dots, \mathcal{S}_\pm(L_j), \dots)$
- (ii) $(L_1, \dots, L_n) \approx (L_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, L_{\sigma(n)})$ where σ is a permutation of $1, \dots, n$ such that $\mathcal{K}_i = \mathcal{K}_{\sigma(i)}$.

We also recall a theorem by Epstein-Fuchs-Meyer [6]: Let $L \subset (S^3, \xi_{std})$ be a Legendrian knot and $T_\pm(L)$ be its positive and negative transverse push offs.

THEOREM 3.2. [6, Theorem 2.1] *Legendrian knots $L_1, L_2 \subset (S^3, \xi_{std})$ are negatively stably isotopic (i.e., $\mathcal{S}_-^k(L_1) = \mathcal{S}_-^l(L_2)$ for some $k, l \geq 0$) if and only if $T_\pm(L_1) \sim T_\pm(L_2)$.*

The next proposition explains the relationship between positive Legendrian stabilization and transverse stabilization: Let $S(T)$ be a transverse stabilization of T . Under the identification of T with a closed braid, $S(T)$ is an negative braid stabilization of T .

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let $L \subset (S^3, \xi_{std})$ be a Legendrian knot. We have $T_+(\mathcal{S}_+(L)) \sim S(T_+(L))$.*

Here is an alternative proof of Theorem 1.1.

Proof. Suppose that $T_1 \# T_2 \sim T'_1 \# T'_2$. Let $L_1 \# L_2$ (resp. $L'_1 \# L'_2$) be a Legendrian push-off of $T_1 \# T_2$ (resp. $T'_1 \# T'_2$) so that

$$T_+(L_1 \# L_2) \sim T_1 \# T_2 \sim T'_1 \# T'_2 \sim T_+(L'_1 \# L'_2).$$

By Theorem 3.2, $\mathcal{S}_-^k(L_1 \# L_2) = \mathcal{S}_-^l(L'_1 \# L'_2)$ in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}_1 \# \mathcal{K}_2)$ for some $k, l \geq 0$. Since Legendrian stabilization is well defined (we can move the zig-zags anywhere) we have $L_1 \# \mathcal{S}_-^k(L_2) = L'_1 \# \mathcal{S}_-^l(L'_2)$. By Theorem 3.1,

$$(L_1, \mathcal{S}_-^k(L_2)) \approx (L'_1, \mathcal{S}_-^l(L'_2)).$$

Recall our assumption that $T_2 \sim T'_2$ cannot be transversely destabilized. Thus Proposition 3.3 implies that:

CLAIM 3.4. L_2 and L'_2 cannot be positive Legendrian destabilizable.

Suppose that $\mathcal{K}_1 \neq \mathcal{K}_2$. By the definition of \approx in Theorem 3.1 and Claim 3.4, we have for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.

$$(\mathcal{S}_+^{-x} \mathcal{S}_-^m(L_1), \mathcal{S}_+^x \mathcal{S}_-^{k-m}(L_2)) = (\mathcal{S}_+^{-y} \mathcal{S}_-^n(L'_1), \mathcal{S}_+^y \mathcal{S}_-^{l-n}(L'_2)).$$

By Theorem 3.2 and Proposition 3.3 we have

$$S^x(T_2) \sim T_+(\mathcal{S}_+^x \mathcal{S}_-^{k-m}(L_2)) = T_+(\mathcal{S}_+^y \mathcal{S}_-^{l-n}(L'_2)) \sim S^y(T'_2)$$

and obtain $x = y$. Then,

$$S^{-x}(T_1) \sim T_+(\mathcal{S}_+^{-x} \mathcal{S}_-^m(L_1)) \sim T_+(\mathcal{S}_+^{-y} \mathcal{S}_-^n(L'_1)) \sim S^{-x}(T'_1)$$

and we obtain $T_1 \sim T'_1$, which is a contradiction.

Suppose that $\mathcal{K}_1 = \mathcal{K}_2$. We have either

$$(\mathcal{S}_+^{-x} \mathcal{S}_-^m(L_1), \mathcal{S}_+^x \mathcal{S}_-^{k-m}(L_2)) = (\mathcal{S}_+^{-y} \mathcal{S}_-^n(L'_1), \mathcal{S}_+^y \mathcal{S}_-^{l-n}(L'_2))$$

or

$$(\mathcal{S}_+^{-x} \mathcal{S}_-^m(L_1), \mathcal{S}_+^x \mathcal{S}_-^{k-m}(L_2)) = (\mathcal{S}_+^y \mathcal{S}_-^{l-n}(L'_2), \mathcal{S}_+^{-y} \mathcal{S}_-^n(L'_1))$$

for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. The first case is covered in the case when $\mathcal{K}_1 \neq \mathcal{K}_2$. In the latter case, we obtain by Theorem 3.2 and Proposition 3.3,

$$S^{-x}(T_1) \sim S^y(T'_2) \text{ and } S^x(T_2) \sim S^{-y}(T'_1)$$

Since $T_2 \sim T'_2$ we have $S^{x+y}(T_2) \sim S^{x+y}(T'_2)$. Therefore,

$$T_1 \sim S^{-x+y}(T_1) \sim S^{-y+y}(T'_1) \sim T'_1,$$

which is a contradiction. \square

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