

COLLAPSING OF CALABI–YAU MANIFOLDS AND SPECIAL LAGRANGIAN SUBMANIFOLDS

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Abstract. In this paper, the relationship between the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds and the collapsing of Calabi–Yau manifolds is studied. First, special Lagrangian fibrations are constructed on some regions of bounded curvature and sufficiently collapsed in Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifolds. Then, conversely, it is shown that the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds with small volume implies the collapsing of some regions in the ambient Calabi–Yau manifolds.

1. Introduction. The notion of the special Lagrangian submanifold was introduced by Harvey and Lawson in the seminal paper [26]. Mclean studied the deformation theory of special Lagrangian submanifolds in [33]. In the pioneer work [41], Stominger, Yau and Zaslow propose a conjecture about constructing the mirror manifold of a given Calabi–Yau manifold, the SYZ conjecture, via special Lagrangian fibrations. Since then, lots of works have been devoted to studying special Lagrangian submanifolds and fibrations (cf. [18–20, 27, 29, 30, 32, 36–38, 40, 42], and references in [30]). In [31] and [23], a refined version of SYZ conjecture was proposed by using the collapsing of Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifolds in the Gromov–Hausdorff sense. These two versions of SYZ conjecture suggest a relationship between the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds and the collapsing of Calabi–Yau manifolds. In this paper, we study this relationship.

If (M, ω, J, g) is a compact Ricci-flat Kähler n -manifold, and admits a nowhere vanishing holomorphic n -form Ω (the holomorphic volume form), $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is called a Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold, and (ω, J, g, Ω) is

called a Calabi–Yau structure on M . We can normalize Ω in the following way

$$\frac{\omega^n}{n!} = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n^2}{2}}}{2^n} \Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega},$$

(cf. [30]). Yau’s theorem on Calabi conjecture guarantees the existence of Ricci-flat Kähler metrics on Kähler manifolds with trivial canonical bundle (cf. [44]), which implies the existence of Calabi–Yau structures on such manifolds. The holonomy group of a Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold is a subgroup of $SU(n)$. The study of Calabi–Yau manifolds is important in both mathematics and physics (cf. [45]).

A special Lagrangian submanifold L of phase $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ in a Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is a Lagrangian submanifold $L \subset M$ corresponding to the Kähler form ω so that $\operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega|_L = dv_{g|_L}$ where $dv_{g|_L}$ denotes the volume form of $g|_L$ on L . Equivalently, $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} L = n$,

$$\omega|_L \equiv 0, \quad \operatorname{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega|_L \equiv 0$$

(cf. [26]). In [33], Mclean showed that, for a compact special Lagrangian submanifold L in a Calabi–Yau manifold $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$, the local moduli space of special Lagrangian submanifolds near L is a smooth manifold of dimension $b_1(L)$, and, moreover, the tangent space of the moduli space at L can be identified with the space of harmonic 1-forms on $(L, g|_L)$. In [27], various structures on the moduli space of special Lagrangian submanifolds were studied.

A special Lagrangian fibration on a Calabi–Yau n -manifold (M, ω, Ω) consists of a topological space B and a surjection $f : M \rightarrow B$ such that there is an open dense subset $B_0 \subset B$, which is a real n -manifold, such that, for any $b \in B_0$, $f^{-1}(b)$ is a smooth special Lagrangian submanifold in (M, ω, Ω) . By [13] (see also [21]), $f^{-1}(b)$, $b \in B_0$, is an n -torus. The SYZ conjecture asserts the existence of special Lagrangian fibrations on a Calabi–Yau manifold whose complex structure is close enough to the large complex structure limit point (cf. [41]). The mirror manifold is a compactification of the dual fibration of $f : f^{-1}(B_0) \rightarrow B_0$. Generalized special Lagrangian fibrations were constructed in some almost Calabi–Yau manifolds in [19, 36–38]. In [22], special Lagrangian fibrations were constructed on some Borcea–Voisin type Calabi–Yau 3-manifolds with degenerated Ricci-flat Kähler–Einstein metrics.

In [31] and [23], SYZ conjecture was refined to the following form: Let $\pi : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \Delta$ be a maximally unipotent degeneration of Calabi–Yau n -manifolds over the unit disc $\Delta \subset \mathbb{C}$, and α be an ample class on \mathcal{M} . For any $t \in \Delta \setminus \{0\}$, let \tilde{g}_t be the unique Ricci-flat Kähler metric on $M_t = \pi^{-1}(t)$ with its Kähler form $\tilde{\omega}_t \in \alpha|_{M_t} \in H^{1,1}(M_t, \mathbb{R}) \cap H^2(M_t, \mathbb{Z})$, and $\tilde{g}_t = \operatorname{diam}_{\tilde{g}_t}^{-2}(M) \tilde{g}_t$. Then (M_t, \tilde{g}_t) converges to a compact metric space (B, d_B) of Hausdorff dimension n in the Gromov–Hausdorff sense, when $t \rightarrow 0$. Furthermore, there is a closed

subset $S_B \subset B$ of Hausdorff dimension $n - 2$ such that $B \setminus S_B$ is an affine manifold, and d_B is induced by a Monge–Ampère metric g_B on $B \setminus S_B$ (cf. [31]). The mirror manifolds are supposed to be constructed from the dual affine structure on $B \setminus S_B$ and the metric g_B . This conjecture was verified for some K3 surfaces in [23]. By using hyper-Kähler rotation, some K3 surfaces admit special Lagrangian fibrations. It was shown in [23] that some K3 surfaces with Ricci-flat Kähler metrics collapse along such special Lagrangian fibrations. The two versions of SYZ conjecture suggest the equivalence between the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds and the collapsing of Ricci-flat Kähler metrics on some regions of Calabi–Yau manifolds, when complex structures are close enough to the large complex limit point.

In Riemannian geometry, the collapsing of Riemannian manifolds has been studied by various authors (cf. [8–10, 12, 14], and references in [14]), since Gromov introduced the notion of Gromov–Hausdorff topology in [17]. In [10], it was proved that there is a constant $\epsilon_0(n) > 0$ depending only on n such that there is an F -structure of positive rank on the region M_{ϵ_0} in a Riemannian n -manifold (M, g) , where M_{ϵ_0} denotes the subset with injectivity radius $i_g(p) < \epsilon_0$ and sectional curvature $\sup_{B_g(p,1)} |K_g| \leq 1$, for any $p \in M_{\epsilon_0}$. See [9]

and [10] for the definition of an F -structure of positive rank, which is a generalization of fibration. A folklore conjecture says that there should be special Lagrangian fibrations on such region in a Calabi–Yau manifold, i.e. the region of bounded curvature and sufficiently collapsed (cf. [15]). The first result in the present paper is devoted to constructing special Lagrangian fibrations under such Riemannian geometric conditions.

THEOREM 1.1. *For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $\sigma > 1$, there exists a constant $\epsilon = \epsilon(n, \sigma) > 0$ depending only on n and σ such that, if $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is a closed Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold with $[\omega] \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$, and $p \in M$ such that*

i) *the injectivity radius and the sectional curvature*

$$i_g(p) < \epsilon, \quad \sup_{B_g(p,1)} |K_g| \leq 1,$$

ii) $[\Omega|_{B_g(p, \sigma i_g(p))}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(B_g(p, \sigma i_g(p)), \mathbb{C})$,

then there is an open subset $W \subset M$ satisfying $B_g(p, \sigma i_g(p)) \subset W$, and (W, ω, Ω) admits a special Lagrangian fibration of a phase $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, i.e. there is a topological space B , and a surjection $f : W \rightarrow B$ such that, for any $b \in B$, $f^{-1}(b)$ is a smooth n -submanifold,

$$\omega|_{f^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega|_{f^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0.$$

REMARK 1.2. From the proof of this theorem, we can see that B is an orbifold, and, if b belongs to the singular set of B , $f^{-1}(b)$ is a smooth multi-fiber.

REMARK 1.3. Condition ii) in the theorem can be replaced by the following small non-vanishing n -cycle condition: there is an $[A] \in H_n(B_g(p, \sigma i_g(p)), \mathbb{Z})$ such that

$$\int_A \Omega \neq 0.$$

This condition cannot be removed since it is satisfied if there is a special Lagrangian submanifold L near p having size comparable with $i_g(p)$, for example $L \subset B_g(p, \sigma i_g(p))$.

REMARK 1.4. It is a challenging task to verify condition i) in Theorem 1.1, i.e. to find the region of bounded curvature in a Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifold. It was shown in [12] that if $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is a K3-surface with Ricci-flat metric, there are universal constants $C > 0$, $\tau > 0$, and a finite subset $\{p_j\} \subset M$, $1 \leq j \leq \tau$, such that

$$\sup_{B_g(p,1)} |K_g| \leq C,$$

for any $p \in M \setminus \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq \tau} B_g(p_j, 2)$.

Next, in the opposite direction, we show that the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds with small volume implies the collapsing of some regions in the ambient Calabi–Yau manifolds. The following theorem is a corollary of the volume comparison theorem for calibrated submanifolds in [19].

THEOREM 1.5. *Let $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ be a closed Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold, and $p \in M$. Assume that the sectional curvature K_g satisfies*

$$\sup_{B_g(p, 2\pi)} K_g \leq 1,$$

and there is a special Lagrangian submanifold L of phase θ such that $p \in L$, and

$$\int_L \operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega < \frac{\pi}{2n} \varpi_{n-1},$$

where ϖ_{n-1} denotes the volume of S^{n-1} with the standard metric of constant curvature 1. Then the injectivity radius $i_g(p)$ of (M, g) at p satisfies

$$i_g(p)^n \leq \frac{n\pi^{n-1}}{2^{n-1}\varpi_{n-1}} \int_L \operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega.$$

As mentioned in Remark 1.4, the assumption of bounded curvature is not necessary. If we strengthen the condition of the existence of a special Lagrangian submanifold to the existence of a special Lagrangian fibration, we can still obtain the collapsing result in the absence of bounded curvature.

THEOREM 1.6. *For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a constant $\delta = \delta(n, \varepsilon) > 0$ such that the following statement is true: Assume that $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is a closed Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold, $p \in M$, and there is a homology class $A \in H_n(M, \mathbb{Z})$ such that, for any $x \in B_g(p, 1)$, there is a special Lagrangian submanifold L_x of phase θ passing x and representing A , i.e. $x \in L_x$ and $[L_x] = A$. If*

$$\int_A \operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega < \delta,$$

then

$$\operatorname{Vol}_g(B_g(p, 1)) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 1.1, Theorem 1.5 and Theorem 1.6 give an evidence of the equivalence between the existence of special Lagrangian submanifolds and the collapsing of Ricci-flat Kähler metrics on Calabi–Yau manifolds near the large complex limit point from the Riemannian geometry’s point of view.

The organization of the paper is as follows: In §2, we review some notions and results, which will be used in this paper. In §3, we use the blow-up argument to give local approximations of Calabi–Yau manifolds by complete flat Calabi–Yau manifolds. In §4, we study the deformation of special Lagrangian fibrations. In §5, we prove Theorem 1.1 by combining the results in §3 and §4. Finally, we prove Theorem 1.5 and Theorem 1.6 in §6.

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2. Preliminaries. In this section, we review some notions and results which will be used in the proof of Theorem 1.1, Theorem 1.5 and Theorem 1.6.

2.1. *Cheeger–Gromov convergence.* Since Gromov introduced the concept of Gromov–Hausdorff convergence in [17], the convergence of Riemannian manifolds has been studied from various perspectives (cf. [1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 16, 23, 39, 43] and references in [4]). There is an extension of Gromov–Hausdorff convergence to sequences of pointed metric spaces for dealing with non-compact situations.

DEFINITION 2.1 ([17], [14]). For two pointed complete metric spaces (X, d_X, x) and (Y, d_Y, y) , a map $\psi : (X, x) \rightarrow (Y, y)$ is called an ε -pointed approximation if $\psi(B_{d_X}(x, \varepsilon^{-1})) \subset B_{d_Y}(y, \varepsilon^{-1})$, $\psi(x) = y$, and $\psi|_{B_{d_X}(x, \varepsilon^{-1})} : B_{d_X}(x, \varepsilon^{-1}) \rightarrow B_{d_Y}(y, \varepsilon^{-1})$ is an ε -approximation, i.e.

$$B_{d_Y}(y, \varepsilon^{-1}) \subset \{y' \in Y | d_Y(y', \psi(B_{d_X}(x, \varepsilon^{-1}))) < \varepsilon\},$$

and

$$|d_X(x_1, x_2) - d_Y(\psi(x_1), \psi(x_2))| < \epsilon$$

for any x_1 and $x_2 \in B_{d_X}(x, \epsilon^{-1})$. The number

$$d_{GH}((X, d_X, x), (Y, d_Y, y)) = \inf \left\{ \epsilon \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{There are } \epsilon\text{-pointed approximations} \\ \psi: (X, x) \rightarrow (Y, y), \text{ and } \phi: (Y, y) \rightarrow (X, x) \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

is called pointed Gromov–Hausdorff distance between (X, d_X, x) and (Y, d_Y, y) . We say that a family of pointed complete metric spaces (X_k, d_{X_k}, x_k) converges to a complete metric space (Y, d_Y, y) in the pointed Gromov–Hausdorff sense, if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d_{GH}((X_k, d_{X_k}, x_k), (Y, d_Y, y)) = 0.$$

The following is the famous Gromov pre-compactness theorem:

THEOREM 2.2 ([17]). *Let $\{(M_k, g_k, p_k)\}$ be a family of pointed complete Riemannian manifolds such that Ricci curvatures $\text{Ric}(g_k) \geq -C$ for a constant C independent of k . Then, a subsequence of (M_k, g_k, p_k) converges to a pointed complete path metric space (Y, d_Y, y) in the pointed Gromov–Hausdorff sense.*

The structure of the limit space was studied in [5, 7, 11, 12] *et al.* We need the following result in the proof of Theorem 1.6.

THEOREM 2.3 ([5], [4]). *Let $\{(M_k, g_k, p_k)\}$ be a family of pointed complete Ricci-flat Einstein n -manifolds, i.e. $\text{Ric}(g_k) \equiv 0$, such that*

$$\text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)) \geq C,$$

for a constant C independent of k , and (Y, d_Y, y) be a pointed complete path metric space such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d_{GH}((M_k, g_k, p_k), (Y, d_Y, y)) = 0.$$

Then the Hausdorff dimension $\dim_{\mathcal{H}} Y = n$, and there is a closed subset $S_Y \subset Y$ of Hausdorff dimension $\dim_{\mathcal{H}} S_Y < n - 1$ such that $Y \setminus S_Y$ is an n -manifold, and d_Y is induced by a Ricci-flat Einstein metric g_∞ on $Y \setminus S_Y$. Furthermore, for any compact subset $D \subset Y \setminus S_Y$, there are embeddings $F_{k,D} : D \rightarrow M_k$ such that $F_{k,D}^ g_k$ converges to g_∞ in the C^∞ -sense.*

In [17] and [16], a convergence theorem, the Cheeger–Gromov convergence theorem, was proved for non-collapsed Riemannian manifolds with bounded curvature. The Kähler version of this theorem can be found in [35]. See [11] for the convergence of manifolds with other holonomy groups.

THEOREM 2.4 (Kähler version of Cheeger–Gromov convergence theorem). *Let $\{(M_k, g_k, J_k, \omega_k, p_k)\}$ be a family of pointed compact Kähler n -manifolds with sectional curvature and injectivity radius at p_k*

$$|K_{g_k}| \leq 1, \quad i_{g_k}(p_k) \geq C,$$

for a constant $C > 0$ independent of k . Then a subsequence $\{(M_k, g_k, J_k, \omega_k, p_k)\}$ converges to a complete Kähler n -manifold (X, g, J, ω, p) in the pointed $C^{1,\alpha}$ -sense, i.e. for any $r > 0$, there are embeddings $F_{k,r} : B_g(p, r) \rightarrow M_k$ such that $F_{k,r}(p) = p_k$, $F_{k,r}^* g_k$ (resp. $dF_{k,r}^{-1} J_k dF_{k,r}$ and $F_{k,r}^* \omega_k$) converges to g (resp. J and ω) in the $C^{1,\alpha}$ -sense.

In [1] it is shown that if we assume g_k to be Einstein metrics then, by passing to a subsequence, $\{(M_k, g_k, J_k, \omega_k, p_k)\}$ converges to (X, g, J, ω, p) in the pointed C^∞ -sense, and g is an Einstein metric too, i.e. $F_{k,r}^* g_k$ (resp. $dF_{k,r}^{-1} J_k dF_{k,r}$ and $F_{k,r}^* \omega_k$) converges to g (resp. J and ω) in the C^∞ -sense. Assume that $(M_k, g_k, J_k, \omega_k, p_k)$ are Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifolds and Ω_k are the corresponding holomorphic volume forms. Since Ω_k are parallel, i.e. $\nabla^{g_k} \Omega_k \equiv 0$, for any $r > 0$, $F_{k,r}^* \Omega_k$ converge to a holomorphic volume form Ω on X in the C^∞ -sense, and $(X, g, J, \omega, \Omega)$ is a complete Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold.

In [9], [10], the collapsing of Riemannian manifolds with bounded curvature was studied by combining blow-up arguments and the Cheeger–Gromov convergence theorem. It was shown that there is a constant $\epsilon_0(n) > 0$ depending only on n such that there is an F -structure \mathcal{F} of positive rank on a region covering M_{ϵ_0} in a Riemannian n -manifold (M, g) , where M_{ϵ_0} denotes a subset with injectivity radius $i_g(p) < \epsilon_0$ and sectional curvature $\sup_{B_g(p,1)} |K_g| \leq 1$, for

any $p \in M_{\epsilon_0}$. See [9] and [10] for the definition of F -structure of positive rank.

2.2. *A comparison theorem for calibrated submanifolds.* In [26], Harvey and Lawson introduced the notion of a calibrated submanifold. If (M, g) is a Riemannian manifold, and Θ is a closed n -form such that $\Theta|_\xi \leq dv_\xi$ for any oriented n -plane ξ in the tangent bundle of M , then Θ is called a calibration on M , where dv_ξ denotes the volume form on ξ . An oriented n -submanifold L of M is called calibrated by the calibration Θ , if $\Theta|_L$ equals to the volume form of $g|_L$ on L . Mclean studied the deformation theory of calibrated submanifolds in [33].

There are some examples of calibrated submanifolds: holomorphic submanifolds in Kähler manifolds, special Lagrangian submanifolds in Calabi–Yau manifolds, associative coassociative submanifolds in G_2 -manifolds, Cayley submanifolds in $Spin(7)$ -manifolds (cf. [26, 28]) etc. If (M, ω, J, g) is a Kähler m -manifold, then $\frac{1}{n!} \omega^n$, $n \leq m$, are calibrations on M , and holomorphic n -submanifolds are calibrated by $\frac{1}{n!} \omega^n$. If $(M, \omega, J, g, \Omega)$ is a Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold, then, for any $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega$ is a calibration on M , and a special Lagrangian submanifold L of phase θ is calibrated by $\operatorname{Re} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \Omega$. If (M, g) is a Riemannian manifold with holonomy group G_2 , then M admits a parallel 3-form ϕ , which is a calibration on M , and $*_g \phi$ is a calibration

4-form on M . Submanifolds calibrated by ϕ are called associative submanifolds, and submanifolds calibrated by $*_g\phi$ are called coassociative submanifolds (cf. [28]). If (M, g) is a Riemannian manifold with holonomy group $Spin(7)$, then M admits a calibration 4-form Ω , and Cayley submanifolds are submanifolds calibrated by Ω (cf. [28]).

In [19], a volume comparison theorem for calibrated submanifolds was obtained.

THEOREM 2.5 (Theorem 2.0.1. in [19]). *Let (M, g) be a closed Riemannian manifold, Θ be a calibration n -form, and $p \in M$. Assume that the sectional curvature K_g satisfies*

$$\sup_{B_g(p, \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\Lambda}})} K_g \leq \Lambda, \quad \Lambda > 0,$$

and there is a submanifold L calibrated by Θ such that $p \in L$. Then

$$\text{Vol}_g(B_g(p, r) \cap L) \geq \text{Vol}_{h_1}(B_{h_1}(r)),$$

for any $r \leq \min\{i_g(p), \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}\}$, where h_1 denotes the standard metric on S^n with constant curvature Λ , and $B_{h_1}(r)$ denotes a metric r -ball in S^n .

2.3. Implicit function theorem. For studying the deformation of special Lagrangian fibrations, we need the following quantitative version of implicit function theorem.

THEOREM 2.6 (Theorem 3.2 in [36]). *Let $(\mathfrak{B}_1, \|\cdot\|_1)$ and $(\mathfrak{B}_2, \|\cdot\|_2)$ be two Banach spaces, $\|\cdot\|_E$ be the standard Euclidean metric on \mathbb{R}^n , $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathfrak{B}_1$ be an open set, and $\mathfrak{F} : U \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}_2$ be a continuously differentiable map. Let*

$$D\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma)(\dot{y} + \dot{\sigma}) = D_y\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma)\dot{y} + D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma)\dot{\sigma},$$

for $(y, \sigma) \in U$, $\dot{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\dot{\sigma} \in \mathfrak{B}_1$. Assume that $(0, 0) \in U$ and $D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(0, 0) : \mathfrak{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}_2$ has a bounded linear inverse $D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(0, 0)^{-1} : \mathfrak{B}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}_1$ with

$$\|D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(0, 0)^{-1}\| \leq \bar{C}$$

for a constant $\bar{C} > 0$. Let $r > 0$, $\delta_0 > \delta > 0$ be such constants that if $\|y_0\|_E < r$ and $\|\sigma\|_1 \leq \delta_0$, then $(y_0, \sigma) \in U$,

$$\|D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(y_0, \sigma) - D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(0, 0)\| \leq \frac{1}{2\bar{C}} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathfrak{F}(y_0, 0)\|_2 \leq \frac{\delta}{4\bar{C}}.$$

Then, for any $\|y\|_E < r$, there exists a unique $\sigma(y) \in \mathfrak{B}_1$ such that

$$\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma(y)) = 0, \quad \|\sigma(y)\|_1 \leq \delta.$$

Furthermore,

$$D\sigma(y)\dot{y} = -D_\sigma\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma)^{-1}D_y\mathfrak{F}(y, \sigma)\dot{y}.$$

The difference between this version of implicit function theorem and the usual one (cf. [24]) is that we use the condition $\|\mathfrak{F}(y, 0)\|_2 \leq \frac{\delta}{4C}$ instead of the condition $\mathfrak{F}(0, 0) = 0$ in addition to other quantitative estimates.

3. The blow-up limit. Let $\{(M_k, \omega_k, J_k, g_k, \Omega_k)\}$ be a family of closed Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifolds with $[\omega_k] \in H^2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$, and $p_k \in M_k$. Assume that

- i) the injectivity radius and the sectional curvature fulfil the following estimates:

$$i_{g_k}(p_k) < \frac{1}{k}, \quad \sup_{B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)} |K_{g_k}| \leq 1,$$

- ii) there is a $\sigma \gg 1$ such that $[\Omega_k|_{B_{g_k}(p_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(p_k))}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(B_{g_k}(x_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(p_k)), \mathbb{C})$.

If we denote $\tilde{\omega}_k = i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k)\omega_k$, $\tilde{g}_k = i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k)g_k$, and $\tilde{\Omega}_k = i_{g_k}^{-n}(p_k)\Omega_k$, then

$$i_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k) = 1, \quad \sup_{B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, k)} |K_{\tilde{g}_k}| \leq \frac{1}{k^2},$$

and $[\tilde{\Omega}_k|_{B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma)}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma), \mathbb{C})$. By the Cheeger–Gromov’s convergence theorem (cf. Theorem 2.4), a subsequence of $(M_k, \tilde{\omega}_k, \tilde{g}_k, J_k, \tilde{\Omega}_k, p_k)$ converges to a complete flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold $(X, \omega_0, g_0, J_0, \Omega_0, p_0)$ in the C^∞ -sense, i.e. for any $r > \sigma$, there are embeddings $F_{r,k} : B_{g_0}(p_0, r) \rightarrow M_k$ such that $F_{r,k}(p_0) = p_k$, and $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{g}_k$ (resp. $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\omega}_k$ and $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\Omega}_k$) converges to g_0 (resp. ω_0 and Ω_0) in the C^∞ -sense. The purpose of this section is to prove that (X, ω_0, Ω_0) admits a special Lagrangian fibration.

By the smooth convergence, $i_{g_0}(p_0) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} i_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k) = 1$. The soul theorem (cf. [10], [34]) implies that there is a compact flat totally geodesic submanifold $S \subset X$, the soul, such that (X, g_0) is isometric to the total space of the normal bundle $\nu(S)$ with a metric induced by $g_0|_S$ and a natural flat connection.

LEMMA 3.1. $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} S \geq n$.

PROOF. If $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} S < n$, then

$$H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) = H^n(T_r(S), \mathbb{C}) = H^n(S, \mathbb{C}) = \{0\}$$

for any $r > 0$, where $T_r(S) = \{p \in X | \text{dist}_{g_0}(p, S) \leq r\}$. Let $r_0 > r_1 > \sigma$ be such that $T_{r_1}(S) \subset B_{g_0}(p_0, r_0)$, and $F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S)) \supset B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma)$ for $k \gg 1$. Then the inclusion maps induce homeomorphisms on cohomology groups

$$H^n(M, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H^n(F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S)), \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H^n(B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma), \mathbb{C}),$$

$$\text{and } [\tilde{\Omega}_k] \mapsto [\tilde{\Omega}_k|_{F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S))}] \mapsto [\tilde{\Omega}_k|_{B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma)}] \neq 0.$$

Thus $[\tilde{\Omega}_k|_{F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S))}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S)), \mathbb{C})$, which contradicts to

$$H^n(F_{r_0,k}(T_{r_1}(S)), \mathbb{C}) \cong H^n(T_{r_1}(S), \mathbb{C}) = \{0\}. \quad \square$$

If $\pi_h : \tilde{S} \rightarrow S$ is the holonomy covering of S , then by Bieberbach's theorem (cf. [10], [34]), $(\tilde{S}, \pi_h^*g_0)$ is isometric to a flat torus and π_h has finite order of at most $\lambda(n)$, for a constant $\lambda(n)$ depending on n only. If we denote $\bar{\pi} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow X$ the universal covering of X with $\bar{\pi}(0) \in S$, then $\bar{S} = \bar{\pi}^{-1}(S)$ is a real linear subspace of \mathbb{C}^n , and $\omega_E = \bar{\pi}^*\omega_0$ (resp. $\Omega_E = \bar{\pi}^*\Omega_0$) is the standard flat Kähler form (resp. the standard holomorphic volume form), i.e. $\omega_E = \sqrt{-1} \sum_{\alpha} dz_{\alpha} \wedge d\bar{z}_{\alpha}$ and $\Omega_E = dz_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_n$ under some coordinates z_1, \dots, z_n on \mathbb{C}^n . Note that there is a lattice $\Lambda \subset \bar{S}$ such that $\tilde{S} = \bar{S}/\Lambda$. If we denote $\mathfrak{q} : \bar{S} \rightarrow \tilde{S}$ the quotient map, then $\bar{\pi} = \pi_h \circ \mathfrak{q}$.

LEMMA 3.2. *$\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \bar{S} = n$, and there is a constant $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\omega_E|_{\bar{S}} = 0$ and $\text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_E|_{\bar{S}} = 0$. Moreover, S is a special Lagrangian submanifold of phase θ_0 in (X, ω_0, Ω_0) , i.e. $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} S = n$,*

$$\omega_0|_S \equiv 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_0|_S = 0.$$

PROOF. If $\omega_E|_{\bar{S}} \neq 0$ and thus $\omega_0|_S \neq 0$, then there are two vectors $v_1, v_2 \in \bar{S}$ such that $\omega_E(v_1, v_2) > 0$. By perturbing v_1 and v_2 a little bit if necessary, we conclude that $\tilde{\Sigma} = \mathfrak{q}(\{t_1 v_1 + t_2 v_2 | t_i \in \mathbb{R}\})$ is a closed 2-torus in \tilde{S} , i.e. a closed 2-parameter subgroup. Thus $\Sigma = \pi_h(\tilde{\Sigma})$ is a closed oriented surface in S , which satisfies

$$\int_{\Sigma} \omega_0 \geq \frac{1}{\lambda(n)} \int_{\tilde{\Sigma}} \pi_h^* \omega_0 \geq \frac{\omega_E(v_1, v_2)}{\lambda(n) \|v_1 \wedge v_2\|_{h_E}} V_E > 0,$$

where V_E denotes the Euclidean area of the intersection of $\{t_1 v_1 + t_2 v_2 | t_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with the fundamental domain of the quotient map \mathfrak{q} . From the smooth convergence of $(M_k, \tilde{\omega}_k, \tilde{g}_k)$,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k) \int_{F_{r,k}(\Sigma)} \omega_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{F_{r,k}(\Sigma)} \tilde{\omega}_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Sigma} F_{r,k}^* \tilde{\omega}_k = \int_{\Sigma} \omega_0,$$

for $r \gg 1$ such that $\Sigma \subset B_{g_0}(p_0, r)$. Thus

$$0 < \frac{1}{2} i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k) \int_{\Sigma} \omega_0 \leq \int_{F_{r,k}(\Sigma)} \omega_k \leq 2 i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k) \int_{\Sigma} \omega_0 \leq 2k^{-2} \int_{\Sigma} \omega_0 < 1,$$

for $k \gg 1$. Since $[F_{r,k}(\Sigma)] \in H_2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$ and $[\omega_k] \in H^2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$, we obtain

$$\int_{F_{r,k}(\Sigma)} \omega_k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $\omega_E|_{\bar{S}} \equiv 0$ and $\omega_0|_S \equiv 0$, which implies that S is a Lagrangian submanifold (X, ω_0) by combining Lemma 3.1.

Since \bar{S} is a Lagrangian linear subspace of (\mathbb{C}^n, ω_E) , there is a $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_E|_{\bar{S}} = 0$. This implies that \bar{S} is a special Lagrangian linear subspace of phase θ_0 in $(\mathbb{C}^n, \omega_E, \Omega_E)$. Thus S is a special Lagrangian submanifold of phase θ_0 in (X, ω_0, Ω_0) , i.e.

$$\omega_0|_S = 0, \quad \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_0|_S = 0. \quad \square$$

LEMMA 3.3. *For $k \gg 1$, $[F_{r,k}^* \tilde{\omega}_k|_S] = 0$ in $H^2(S, \mathbb{R})$.*

PROOF. By the smooth convergence of $\tilde{\omega}_k$ and Lemma 3.2,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{F_{r,k}(A)} \tilde{\omega}_k = \int_A \omega_0 = 0,$$

for any cycle $A \in H_2(S, \mathbb{Z})$. For $k \gg 1$, we have

$$\left| \int_{F_{r,k}(A)} \omega_k \right| = i_{g_k}^2(p_k) \left| \int_{F_{r,k}(A)} \tilde{\omega}_k \right| < \frac{1}{2k^2} < 1.$$

Since $[F_{r,k}(A)] \in H_2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$ and $[\omega_k] \in H^2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$, we obtain $\int_{F_{r,k}(A)} \omega_k \in \mathbb{Z}$. This implies that $|\int_{F_{r,k}(A)} \omega_k| = 0$, and we obtain the conclusion

$$\int_A F_{r,k}^* \tilde{\omega}_k = 0. \quad \square$$

Let \tilde{X} be the total space of the pull-back $\pi_h^* \nu(S)$ of the normal bundle. Note that we can identify the zero section of $\pi_h^* \nu(S)$ with \tilde{S} , and the covering π_h extends to a finite covering $\pi : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ of X , i.e. $\tilde{S} = \pi^{-1}(S) \subset \tilde{X}$, and $\pi|_{\tilde{S}} = \pi_h$. The fundamental group $\pi_1(\tilde{S}) \cong \pi_1(\tilde{X})$ is isomorphic to the lattice Λ , $\pi_1(\tilde{X})$ is a normal subgroup of $\pi_1(X) = \pi_1(S)$, and the covering group $\Gamma \cong \pi_1(S)/\pi_1(\tilde{S}) = \pi_1(X)/\pi_1(\tilde{X})$. Note that $\pi_1(\tilde{X})$ (resp. $\pi_1(X)$) acts on \mathbb{C}^n preserving g_E , ω_E and Ω_E , \bar{S} is invariant, $\tilde{X} = \mathbb{C}^n/\pi_1(\tilde{X})$ (resp. $X = \mathbb{C}^n/\pi_1(X)$), and $\tilde{S} = \bar{S}/\pi_1(\tilde{S}) = \bar{S}/\Lambda$ (resp. $S = \bar{S}/\pi_1(S)$).

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Let \bar{S}^\perp be the orthogonal complement of \bar{S} in \mathbb{C}^n , i.e. $\mathbb{C}^n = \bar{S} \oplus \bar{S}^\perp$, and $g_E(v, w) = 0$, for any $v \in \bar{S}$ and $w \in \bar{S}^\perp$. Then*

- i) $(\tilde{X}, \pi^* g_0)$ is isometric to $(T^n \times \bar{S}^\perp, h + h_E)$, where $T^n = \bar{S}/\Lambda = \tilde{S}$, $h_E = g_E|_{\bar{S}^\perp}$, and h is the standard flat metric on T^n induced by $g_E|_{\bar{S}}$.
- ii) The action of Γ on \tilde{X} is a product action, i.e. there are Γ -actions on T^n and \bar{S}^\perp such that $\gamma \cdot (x, y) = (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y)$ for any $\gamma \in \Gamma$, $x \in T^n$ and $y \in \bar{S}^\perp$. Furthermore, $T^n \times \{0\}$ is Γ -invariant, and $S = \pi(T^n \times \{0\}) = (T^n \times \{0\})/\Gamma$.
- iii) $\pi^* \omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0$, and $\pi^* \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0$, for any $y \in \bar{S}^\perp$, and a constant $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

PROOF. We choose coordinates x_1, \dots, x_n on \bar{S} and y_1, \dots, y_n on \bar{S}^\perp such that

$$g_E = \sum (dx_j^2 + dy_j^2), \quad \omega_E = \sum dx_j \wedge dy_j, \quad e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_E = \bigwedge_{j=1}^n (dx_j + \sqrt{-1}dy_j).$$

If \mathcal{G} is a subgroup of the fundamental group $\pi_1(X) = \pi_1(S)$, then \mathcal{G} acts on \mathbb{C}^n preserving g_E, ω_E and Ω_E , and \bar{S} is a invariant subspace. For any $\gamma \in \mathcal{G}$, we have $\gamma \cdot (v+w) = G_\gamma(v+w) + b_\gamma$, where $G_\gamma \in U(\mathbb{C}^n)$, $b_\gamma \in \bar{S}$, $v \in \bar{S}$ and $w \in \bar{S}^\perp$. Since \bar{S} is invariant, we then obtain $G_\gamma(v+w) = A_\gamma v + B_\gamma w + C_\gamma w$ where $A_\gamma \in SO(\bar{S})$, $B_\gamma \in SO(\bar{S}^\perp)$, and $C_\gamma \in \text{Hom}(\bar{S}^\perp, \bar{S})$. Moreover, $G_\gamma \in SO(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ implies $C_\gamma = 0$. Since $\omega_E(G_\gamma(v+w), G_\gamma(v+w)) = \omega_E(v+w, v+w)$, we have $B_\gamma = A_\gamma^{-1,T} = A_\gamma$, and $\gamma \cdot (v+w) = A_\gamma(v+w) + b_\gamma$. Thus $\pi_1(\tilde{X}) \cong \Lambda$ acts on \mathbb{C}^n given by $\gamma \cdot (v+w) = v+w + b_\gamma$, $b_\gamma \in \Lambda$, for any $v \in \bar{S}$ and $w \in \bar{S}^\perp$. This implies that $\tilde{X} = \mathbb{C}^n / \pi_1(\tilde{X}) \cong \bar{S} / \Lambda \times \bar{S}^\perp = \tilde{S} \times \bar{S}^\perp$, and $\pi^* g_0 = h + h_E$ where $h_E = g_E|_{\bar{S}^\perp}$, and h is the standard flat metric on \tilde{S} induced by $g_E|_{\bar{S}}$.

The $\pi_1(X)$ -action on \mathbb{C}^n descends to a Γ -action on \tilde{X} , which is a product action since the $\pi_1(X)$ -action is. Moreover, $\tilde{S} \times \{0\}$ is a invariant set as $\bar{S} \times \{0\}$ is invariant under the $\pi_1(X)$ -action. If $\mathfrak{q}_1 : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n / \Lambda = \tilde{X}$ is the quotient map then $\bar{\pi} = \pi \circ \mathfrak{q}_1$, $g_E = \mathfrak{q}_1^* \pi^* g_0$, $\omega_E = \mathfrak{q}_1^* \pi^* \omega_0$, and $\Omega_E = \mathfrak{q}_1^* \pi^* \Omega_0$. Since $\omega_E|_{\bar{S} \times \{y\}} = 0$ and $e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_E|_{\bar{S} \times \{y\}} = 0$ for $y \in \bar{S}^\perp$, we obtain

$$\pi^* \omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \pi^* \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \Omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0,$$

for a constant $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. □

REMARK 3.5. The coordinates x_1, \dots, x_n on \bar{S} in the proof above induce parallel 1-forms dx_1, \dots, dx_n on (\tilde{S}, h) which are pointwise linear independent, i.e. dx_1, \dots, dx_n is a global parallel frame field. Under the coordinates y_1, \dots, y_n on \bar{S}^\perp , we have these formulas

$$\pi^* g_0 = \sum (dx_j^2 + dy_j^2), \quad \pi^* \omega_0 = \sum dx_j \wedge dy_j, \quad e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \pi^* \Omega_0 = \bigwedge_{j=1}^n (dx_j + \sqrt{-1}dy_j).$$

REMARK 3.6. The natural projection $f_0 : \tilde{X} \rightarrow \bar{S}^\perp$ is equivariant under the Γ actions on \tilde{X} and \bar{S}^\perp . For any $y \in \bar{S}^\perp$, $f_0^{-1}(y) = \tilde{S} \times \{y\}$ and f_0 is a special Lagrangian fibration on $(\tilde{X}, \pi^* \omega_0, e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \pi^* \Omega_0)$, i.e. $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} f_0^{-1}(y) = n$,

$$\pi^* \omega_0|_{f_0^{-1}(y)} \equiv 0, \quad e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \pi^* \Omega_0|_{f_0^{-1}(y)} \equiv 0.$$

4. Local special Lagrangian fibrations. In this section, we study the deformation of special Lagrangian fibrations under the convergence of Calabi–Yau metrics. Let $(Y, \omega, g, J, \Omega)$ be a complete flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold.

CONDITION 4.1. *Assume that*

- i) $Y = T^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$, $g = h + h_E$, and the natural projection $f : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a special Lagrangian fibration of (Y, ω, Ω) , where $T^n = \mathbb{R}^n/\Lambda$ is a torus, Λ is a lattice in \mathbb{R}^n , h_E is the standard Euclidean metric on \mathbb{R}^n , and h is the standard flat metric induced by h_E .
- ii) There are parallel 1-forms dx_1, \dots, dx_n on (T^n, h) , which are pointwise linear independent, and coordinates y_1, \dots, y_n on \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$g = h + h_E = \sum (dx_j^2 + dy_j^2), \quad \omega = \sum dx_j \wedge dy_j, \quad \Omega = \bigwedge_{j=1}^n (dx_j + \sqrt{-1}dy_j).$$

- iii) There is a family of Calabi–Yau structures $(\omega_k, g_k, J_k, \Omega_k)$ converging to (ω, g, J, Ω) in the C^∞ -sense on $Y_{2r} = T^n \times B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$ for a $r \gg 1$, where $B_{h_E}(0, 2r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|y\|_{h_E} < 2r\}$. Moreover, $\omega_k \in [\omega] \in H^2(Y_{2r}, \mathbb{R})$.
- vi) There is a finite group Γ acting on Y_{2r} preserving $\omega_k, g_k, \Omega_k, \omega, g, \Omega$, and $T^n \times \{0\}$ is a invariant set. The Γ -action is a product action on $T^n \times B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$. The natural projection $f : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is Γ -equivariant.

The goal of this section is to construct equivariant special Lagrangian fibrations on $(Y_r, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$ for $k \gg 1$.

Denote $L = T^n \times \{0\}$, which is a special Lagrangian submanifold of (Y, ω, Ω) , i.e. $\omega|_L = 0$ and $\text{Im } \Omega|_L = 0$. Note that we can identify Y with the total space of the normal bundle $\nu(L)$ by the exponential map from $\nu(L)$ to Y , $\exp_{L,g} : (x, \sum_j y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}) \mapsto (x, y)$ where $x \in L$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$. There is a canonical bundle isomorphism from $\nu(L)$ to the cotangent bundle T^*L given by $v \mapsto \iota(v)\omega$ where $v \in \nu_x(L)$. Thus we can identify Y with the total space of T^*L by the map

$$(1) \quad (x, y) \mapsto (x, \iota(\sum_j y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j})\omega) = (x, \sum_j y_j dx_j),$$

where $x \in L$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We do not distinguish Y from T^*L in this section for convenience. For a 1-form σ on L , and a $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, which can be regarded as a 1-form from above,

$$L(y, \sigma) = \{(x, y + \sigma(x)) \mid x \in L\}$$

denotes the graph of $y + \sigma$, i.e. $y = \sum y_j dx_j$, $\sigma = \sum \sigma_j dx_j$, and

$$L(y, \sigma) = \{(x, y_1 + \sigma_1(x), \dots, y_n + \sigma_n(x)) \mid x \in L\}.$$

There are two constants $a_k > 0$ and $\theta_k \in \mathbb{R}$, for any k , such that

$$\int_L \Omega_k = a_k e^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} \int_L \Omega_0 = a_k e^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} \int_L \text{Re } \Omega_0,$$

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = 1$ and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \theta_k = 0$ by the smooth convergence of Ω_k . There are real 1-forms α_k and complex value $(n-1)$ -forms β_k such that

$$\omega_k = \omega_0 - d\alpha_k, \quad \Omega_k = a_k e^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} (\Omega_0 + d\beta_k)$$

by $\omega_k \in [\omega] \in H^2(Y_{2r}, \mathbb{R})$. By the smooth convergence of ω_k and Ω_k ,

$$(2) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|d\alpha_k\|_{C^2(Y_{2r}, g)} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|d\beta_k\|_{C^2(Y_{2r}, g)} = 0.$$

Define a diffeomorphism $\Pi : L \rightarrow L(y, \sigma)$ by $x \mapsto (x, y + \sigma(x))$ for a $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and a 1-form σ on L . If

$$(3) \quad \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) = (-\Pi^* \omega_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}, *_h a_k^{-1} \Pi^* \text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} \Omega_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}),$$

where $*_h$ is the Hodge star operator on (L, h) , then $L(y, \sigma)$ is a special Lagrangian submanifold of (Y, ω_k, Ω_k) of phase θ_k if and only if

$$\mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) = 0.$$

A straightforward calculation (cf. [33]) gives

$$(4) \quad \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) = (d\sigma + \Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}, *_h d *_h \sigma + *_h \Pi^* d \text{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}).$$

We denote by $\Omega^j(L)$ the space of j -forms on L , and define two Banach spaces $\mathfrak{B}_1 = C^{1, \alpha}(d\Omega^0(L) \oplus d^{*h}\Omega^2(L))$ and $\mathfrak{B}_2 = C^{0, \alpha}(d\Omega^1(L) \oplus d^{*h}\Omega^1(L))$. Then \mathfrak{F}_k defines a smooth map $\mathfrak{F}_k : \mathcal{U}(r) \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}_2$ for any k , where $\mathcal{U}(r) = \{\|y\|_{h_E} + \|\sigma\|_{C^{1, \alpha}(L, h)} < 2r \mid (y, \sigma) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathfrak{B}_1\}$.

LEMMA 4.2. *For any $y \in B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$,*

$$\|\mathfrak{F}_k(y, 0)\|_{C^{0, \alpha}(L, h)} \leq C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1, \alpha}(Y_{2r}, g)},$$

for a constant C independent of k .

PROOF. Since

$$\mathfrak{F}_k(y, 0) = (\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y, 0)}, *_h \Pi^* d \text{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y, 0)}),$$

we obtain the conclusion by straightforward calculations. \square

The differentials of $\mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma)$ are

$$(5) \quad D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) \dot{\sigma} = (d\dot{\sigma}, *_h d *_h \dot{\sigma}) + (D_\sigma(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}) \dot{\sigma}, *_h D_\sigma(\Pi^* d \text{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}) \dot{\sigma}),$$

$$(6) \quad D_y \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) \dot{y} = (D_y(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}) \dot{y}, *_h D_y(\Pi^* d \text{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y, \sigma)}) \dot{y})$$

and $D \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma)(\dot{y} + \dot{\sigma}) = D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) \dot{\sigma} + D_y \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) \dot{y}$.

Under the frame field dx_1, \dots, dx_n and coordinates y_1, \dots, y_n ,

$$d\alpha_k = \sum_{ij} (\alpha_{k, ij} dx_i \wedge dx_j + \alpha_{k, i(n+j)} dx_i \wedge dy_j + \alpha_{k, (n+i)(n+j)} dy_i \wedge dy_j).$$

The differential is

$$\begin{aligned} D(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y,\sigma)})(\dot{y} + \dot{\sigma}) &= \sum_{ijl} \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_{k,ij}}{\partial y_l} (\dot{y}_l + \dot{\sigma}_l) dx_i \wedge dx_j + \alpha_{k,i(n+j)} dx_i \wedge d\dot{\sigma}_j \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial \alpha_{k,i(n+j)}}{\partial y_l} (\dot{y}_l + \dot{\sigma}_l) dx_i \wedge d\sigma_j + \alpha_{k,(n+i)(n+j)} d\sigma_i \wedge d\dot{\sigma}_j \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\partial \alpha_{k,(n+i)(n+j)}}{\partial y_l} (\dot{y}_l + \dot{\sigma}_l) d\sigma_i \wedge d\sigma_j \right). \end{aligned}$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_\sigma(d\alpha_k|_L)\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\alpha_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \|\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}, \\ \|D_\sigma(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y,\sigma)})\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\alpha_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \\ (7) \quad &\cdot \left(\sum_{l=0,1,2} \|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \|\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}, \\ \|D_y(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y,\sigma)})\dot{y}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\alpha_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \\ &\cdot \left(\sum_{l=0,1,2} \|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \|\dot{y}\|_{h_E}, \end{aligned}$$

for a constant C independent of k . The same argument gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_\sigma(d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_L)\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\beta_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \|\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}, \\ \|D_\sigma(\Pi^* d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y,\sigma)})\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\beta_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \\ (8) \quad &\cdot \left(\sum_{l=0,1,\dots,n} \|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \|\dot{\sigma}\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}, \\ \|D_y(\Pi^* d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y,\sigma)})\dot{y}\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} &\leq C \|d\beta_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r},g)} \\ &\cdot \left(\sum_{l=0,1,\dots,n} \|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \|\dot{y}\|_{h_E}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4.3. *The operator $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)$ is invertible for $k \gg 1$, and*

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)^{-1}\| \leq \bar{C},$$

for a constant $\bar{C} > 0$ independent of k .

PROOF. Note that

$$D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)\dot{\sigma} = (d\dot{\sigma}, *_h d *_h \dot{\sigma}) + (D_\sigma(d\alpha_k|_L)\dot{\sigma}, *_h D_\sigma(d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_L)\dot{\sigma}) = (\mathcal{D} + V_k)\dot{\sigma},$$

where $\mathcal{D} = d - *_h d *_h$ is the restriction of the Hodge Dirac operator $d + d^{*h}$ to the space of 1-forms, and, thus, is an elliptic operator of order 1. The Kernel $\operatorname{Ker} \mathcal{D}$ of \mathcal{D} is the space of harmonic 1-forms, and therefore is orthogonal to \mathfrak{B}_1 with respect to the L^2 -norm by the Hodge decomposition. Hence $\mathcal{D} : \mathfrak{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}_2$

is injective, and by the standard elliptic estimate (cf. Proposition 1.5.2 in [28] and [24]), we have

$$\|\xi\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq C_S \|\mathcal{D}\xi\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)},$$

for any $\xi \in \mathfrak{B}_1$, and a constant C_S independent of k . From the definition of \mathfrak{B}_2 , \mathcal{D} is also surjective, which implies that \mathcal{D} is an invertible operator from \mathfrak{B}_1 to \mathfrak{B}_2 . Moreover,

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-1}\| \leq C_S.$$

By (7) and (8),

$$\|V_k\| \leq C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r,g})} < \frac{1}{2C_S},$$

for $k \gg 1$, and, thus,

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-1}V_k\| < \frac{1}{2}.$$

By the standard operator's theory (cf. [40]), $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0) = \mathcal{D} + V_k$ is invertible, and the inverse operator is defined by

$$D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)^{-1} = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^j (\mathcal{D}^{-1}V_k)^j \right) \mathcal{D}^{-1}.$$

We obtain

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)^{-1}\| \leq \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{-j} \right) \|\mathcal{D}^{-1}\| \leq \bar{C},$$

for a constant $\bar{C} > 0$ independent of k . □

LEMMA 4.4. *For any $\delta_0 \ll 1$, there is a constant $k_0 \gg 1$ such that, if $\|y\|_{h_E} \leq \frac{3r}{2}$ and $\|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq \delta_0$, and $k > k_0$, then*

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y,\sigma) - D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0)\| \leq \frac{1}{2\bar{C}}.$$

Furthermore, also $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y,\sigma)$ is invertible, and

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y,\sigma)^{-1}\| \leq 2\bar{C}.$$

PROOF. By (5),

$$\begin{aligned} (D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y,\sigma) - D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0,0))\dot{\sigma} &= ((D_\sigma(\Pi^* d\alpha_k|_{L(y,\sigma)}) - D_\sigma(d\alpha_k|_L))\dot{\sigma}, \\ &\quad *_h (D_\sigma(\Pi^* d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_{L(y,\sigma)}) - D_\sigma(d \operatorname{Im} \beta_k|_L))\dot{\sigma}). \end{aligned}$$

We can take a $k_0 \gg 1$ such that, for $k > k_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) - D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0)\| &\leq 2C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r,g})} \left(\sum_{l=0,1,\dots,n} \|\sigma\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \\ &\leq 2C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r,g})} n\delta_0 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4\bar{C}}, \end{aligned}$$

by (2), (7) and (8). We obtain the first of the required estimates.

Note that $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) = D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0) + (D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) - D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0))$, $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0)$ is invertible, and $\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0)^{-1}\| \leq \bar{C}$. By the same arguments as in the proof of Lemma 4.3, and

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0)^{-1} (D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma) - D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0))\| \leq \frac{1}{2},$$

also $D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma)$ is invertible, and

$$\|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma)^{-1}\| \leq \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{-j} \right) \|D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(0, 0)^{-1}\| \leq 2\bar{C}.$$

□

LEMMA 4.5. *For a fixed $\delta < \delta_0$, there is a $k_1 > k_0$ such that, for any $y \in B_{h_E}(0, \frac{3r}{2})$ and $k > k_1$, there is a unique $\sigma_k(y) \in \mathfrak{B}_1$, such that*

$$\mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k(y)) = 0, \quad \|\sigma_k(y)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq \delta,$$

which implies that $L(y, \sigma_k(y))$ is a special Lagrangian submanifold of $(Y_{2r}, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$. Furthermore,

$$\|D\sigma_k(y)\| \leq 2n\delta\bar{C} \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r,g})},$$

for a constant C independent of k .

PROOF. Fix a $\delta < \delta_0$, there is a $k_1 > k_0$ such that, for $k > k_1$, and any $y \in B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$,

$$\|\mathfrak{F}_k(y, 0)\|_{C^{0,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq \frac{\delta}{4\bar{C}},$$

by Lemma 4.2. By Theorem 2.6, Lemma 4.3 and Lemma 4.4, for any $y \in B_{h_E}(0, \frac{3r}{2})$ and $k > k_1$, there is a unique $\sigma_k(y) \in \mathfrak{B}_1$ such that

$$(9) \quad \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k(y)) = 0, \quad \|\sigma_k(y)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq \delta,$$

which implies that $L(y, \sigma_k(y))$ is a special Lagrangian submanifold of $(Y_{2r}, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$.

By (6), (7) and (8),

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_y \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k)\| &\leq C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r}, g)} \left(\sum_{l=0,1,\dots,n} \|\sigma_k\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)}^l \right) \\ &\leq C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r}, g)} n\delta, \end{aligned}$$

for a constant C independent of k . By Theorem 2.6,

$$D\sigma_k(y)\dot{y} = -D_\sigma \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k)^{-1} D_y \mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k)\dot{y}.$$

We obtain the conclusion from Lemma 4.4. \square

PROPOSITION 4.6. *For $k \gg 1$, there is an open set W_k such that $Y_{2r} \supset W_k \supset Y_r$ and $(W_k, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$ admits an equivariant special Lagrangian fibration $f_k : W_k \rightarrow B_k$ of phase θ_k over $B_k \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. there is a Γ -action on B_k , f_k is a Γ -equivariant map, and f_k is a special Lagrangian fibration of phase θ_k , i.e.*

$$\omega_k|_{f_k^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0, \quad \text{Im } e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} \Omega_k|_{f_k^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0,$$

for any $b \in B_k$.

PROOF. By Lemma 4.5, there is a unique C^1 -map

$$\sigma_k : B_{h_E}(0, \frac{3r}{2}) \rightarrow C^{1,\alpha}(d\Omega^0(T^n) \oplus d^{*h}\Omega^2(T^n)), \quad \text{by } y \mapsto \sigma_k(y),$$

which satisfies

$$\mathfrak{F}_k(y, \sigma_k(y)) = 0, \quad \|\sigma_k(y)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(L,h)} \leq \delta \ll 1,$$

$$\text{and } \|D\sigma_k(y)\| \leq 2n\delta\bar{C}C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r}, g)}.$$

This implies

$$\left| \frac{\partial \sigma_{k,j}(y)}{\partial y_i} \right| \leq 2n\delta\bar{C}C \|(d\alpha_k, d\beta_k)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Y_{2r}, g)} \ll 1,$$

for $k \gg k_1 > 1$.

Define a map $\Psi_k : Y_{\frac{3r}{2}} \rightarrow Y_{2r}$ by

$$\Psi_k : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y_1 + \sigma_{k,1}(y), \dots, y_n + \sigma_{k,n}(y)) = (x, y + \sigma_k(y)).$$

Note that the frame field dx_1, \dots, dx_n induces local coordinates x_1, \dots, x_n around any point on L , and the differential can be expressed as

$$d\Psi_k : (\dot{x}, \dot{y}) \mapsto (\dot{x}_j + \sum \frac{\partial \sigma_{k,j}(y)}{\partial x_i} \dot{x}_i, \dot{y}_j + \sum \frac{\partial \sigma_{k,j}(y)}{\partial y_i} \dot{y}_i)$$

under such local coordinates. Thus $d\Psi_k$ is an isomorphism when $k \gg 1$, which implies that Ψ_k is an immersion. Furthermore, for $y_1 \neq y_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_k(x, y_2) - \Psi_k(x, y_1) &= (x, \dots, \int_0^1 (1 + \frac{\partial \sigma_{k,j}((1-t)y_2 + ty_1)}{\partial y_j} dt)(y_{2,j} - y_{1,j}), \dots) \\ &\neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence Ψ_k is an embedding.

Note that the Γ -action on $Y_{2r} = T^n \times B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$ preserves $\omega_k, g_k, \Omega_k, \omega, g, \Omega$, and is a product action on $T^n \times B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$, i.e. there are Γ -actions on T^n and $B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$ such that $\gamma \cdot (x, y) = (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y)$ for any $\gamma \in \Gamma$, $x \in T^n$, and $y \in B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$. Under identification map (1),

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y) &= (\gamma \cdot x, \iota(\gamma_* \sum_j y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j})\omega) = (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma^* \omega(\sum_j y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}, \gamma_*^{-1} \cdot)) \\ &= (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma^{-1,*} \sum_j y_j dx_j). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma \cdot L(y, \sigma_k(y)) &= \{(\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot (y_1 + \sigma_{k,1}(y)(x), \dots, y_n + \sigma_{k,n}(y)(x))) | x \in T^n\} \\ &= \{(\gamma \cdot x, \gamma^{-1,*} \sum_j (y_j + \sigma_{k,j}(y)(x)) dx_j | x \in T^n\} \\ &= L(\gamma \cdot y, \gamma^{-1,*} \sigma_k(y)), \end{aligned}$$

for any $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and $y \in B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$. Since the Γ -action preserves ω_k and Ω_k , $L(\gamma \cdot y, \gamma^{-1,*} \sigma_k(y))$ are special Lagrangian submanifolds. By the uniqueness of $\sigma_k(y)$, $\gamma^{-1,*} \sigma_k(y) = \sigma_k(\gamma \cdot y) \in C^{1,\alpha}(d\Omega^0(T^n) \oplus d^{*h}\Omega^2(T^n))$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_k(\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y) &= (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y + \sigma_k(\gamma \cdot y)) \\ &= (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma^{-1,*} \sum_j (y_j + \sigma_{k,j}(y)) dx_j) \\ &= (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot (y_1 + \sigma_{k,1}(y), \dots, y_n + \sigma_{k,n}(y))) \\ &= \gamma \cdot \Psi_k(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

i.e. Ψ_k is a Γ -equivariant map.

We denote by $\mathcal{P}: Y_{2r} \rightarrow B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$ the natural projection, $B_k = B_{h_E}(0, \frac{3}{2}r)$ and $W_k = \Psi_k(Y_{\frac{3}{2}r})$. Since the Γ -action on $B_{h_E}(0, 2r)$ preserves the metric h_E and 0, $B_k = B_{h_E}(0, \frac{3}{2}r)$ is invariant. By $\delta \ll 1 \ll r$, $W_k \supset Y_r$. Then $f_k = \mathcal{P} \circ \Psi_k^{-1}: W_k \rightarrow B_k$ is a Γ -equivariant special Lagrangian fibration of $(W_k, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$ of phase θ_k . We obtain the conclusion. \square

5. Proof of Theorem 1.1. Now we are ready to prove Theorem 1.1.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1. Assume that the conclusion is not true. Then, for any fixed $\sigma > 1$, there is a family of closed Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau n -manifolds $\{(M_k, \omega_k, J_k, g_k, \Omega_k)\}$ with $[\omega_k] \in H^2(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$, and $p_k \in M_k$ such that

- i) the injectivity radius and the sectional curvature fulfil the following estimates:

$$i_{g_k}(p_k) < \frac{1}{k}, \quad \sup_{B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)} |K_{g_k}| \leq 1,$$

- ii) $[\Omega_k|_{B_{g_k}(p_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(p_k))}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(B_{g_k}(p_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(p_k)), \mathbb{C})$,
 iii) for any open subset $W'_k \supset B_{g_k}(p_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(p_k))$, $(W'_k, \omega_k, \Omega_k)$ would not admit special Lagrangian fibrations.

If we denote $\tilde{\omega}_k = i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k)\omega_k$, $\tilde{g}_k = i_{g_k}^{-2}(p_k)g_k$, and $\tilde{\Omega}_k = i_{g_k}^{-n}(p_k)\Omega_k$, then

$$i_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k) = 1, \quad \sup_{B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, k)} |K_{\tilde{g}_k}| \leq \frac{1}{k^2},$$

and $[\tilde{\Omega}_k|_{B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma)}] \neq 0$ in $H^n(B_{\tilde{g}_k}(p_k, \sigma), \mathbb{C})$. By the Cheeger–Gromov convergence theorem (cf. Theorem 2.4), a subsequence of $(M_k, \tilde{\omega}_k, \tilde{g}_k, J_k, \tilde{\Omega}_k, p_k)$ converges to a complete flat Calabi–Yau n -manifold $(X, \omega_0, g_0, J_0, \Omega_0, p_0)$ in the C^∞ -sense, i.e. for any $r > \sigma$, there are embeddings $F_{r,k} : B_{g_0}(p_0, r) \rightarrow M_k$ such that $F_{r,k}(p_0) = p_k$, and $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{g}_k$ (resp. $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\omega}_k$ and $F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\Omega}_k$) converges to g_0 (resp. ω_0 and Ω_0) in the C^∞ -sense. Furthermore, $i_{g_0}(p_0) = 1$. The soul theorem (cf. [10], [34]) implies that there is a compact flat totally geodesic submanifold $S \subset X$, the soul, such that (X, g_0) is isometric to the total space of the normal bundle $\nu(S)$ with a metric induced by $g_0|_S$ and a natural flat connection.

By Proposition (3.4), there is a finite normal covering $\pi : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ with covering group Γ such that

- i) (\tilde{X}, π^*g_0) is isometric to $(T^n \times \mathbb{R}^n, h + h_E)$, where $T^n = \mathbb{R}^n/\Lambda$, Λ is a lattice in \mathbb{R}^n , h_E is the standard Euclidean metric on \mathbb{R}^n , and h is the standard flat metric on T^n induced by h_E .
 ii) The action of Γ on \tilde{X} is a product action, i.e. there are Γ -actions on T^n and \mathbb{R}^n such that $\gamma \cdot (x, y) = (\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y)$ for any $x \in T^n$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Furthermore, $T^n \times \{0\}$ is Γ -invariant, and $S = (T^n \times \{0\})/\Gamma$.
 iii)

$$\pi^*\omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \pi^*\text{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0}\Omega_0|_{T^n \times \{y\}} \equiv 0,$$

for any $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and a constant $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Note that the Γ -action on \mathbb{R}^n preserves h_E and $B_{h_E}(0, \rho)$, which implies that $\tilde{X}_\rho = T^n \times B_{h_E}(0, \rho)$ is invariant, for any $\rho > 0$. Lemma (3.3) shows $[F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\omega}_k|_S] = 0$ in $H^2(S, \mathbb{R})$, for $k \gg 1$, which implies $[\pi^*F_{r,k}^*\tilde{\omega}_k|_{\tilde{X}_\rho}] = 0$

in $H^2(\tilde{X}_\rho, \mathbb{R})$, for any $\rho > 0$. By Remark (3.5), there are parallel 1-forms dx_1, \dots, dx_n on (T^n, h) , which are pointwise linear independent, and coordinates y_1, \dots, y_n on \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$\pi^*g_0 = \sum (dx_j^2 + dy_j^2), \quad \pi^*\omega_0 = \sum dx_j \wedge dy_j, \quad e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_0} \pi^*\Omega_0 = \bigwedge_{j=1}^n (dx_j + \sqrt{-1}dy_j).$$

Hence Condition 4.1 is satisfied.

Let $r > \rho \gg \sigma$ be such that $B_{g_0}(p_0, \sigma) \subset \pi(\tilde{X}_\rho) \subset \pi(\tilde{X}_{2\rho}) \subset B_{g_0}(p_0, r)$. By Proposition (4.6), for $k \gg 1$, there is an open set $W_k \supset \tilde{X}_\rho$ such that $(W_k, \pi^*F_{r,k}^*\omega_k, \pi^*F_{r,k}^*\Omega_k)$ admits an equivariant special Lagrangian fibration $f_k : W_k \rightarrow B_k$ of phase θ_k , where $B_k \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. there is a Γ -action on B_k , f_k is a Γ -equivariant map, and

$$\pi^*F_{r,k}^*\omega_k|_{f_k^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0, \quad \pi^*F_{r,k}^* \operatorname{Im} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_k} \Omega_k|_{f_k^{-1}(b)} \equiv 0,$$

for any $b \in B_k$. Hence f_k induces a special Lagrangian fibration $\bar{f}_k : \pi(W_k) \rightarrow B_k/\Gamma$, which implies that $(F_{r,k} \circ \pi(W_k), \omega_k, \Omega_k)$ admits a special Lagrangian fibration, and $F_{r,k} \circ \pi(W_k) \supset B_{g_k}(x_k, \sigma i_{g_k}(x_k))$. It is a contradiction. We obtain the conclusion. \square

6. Estimates for injectivity radius. In this section, we prove Theorem 1.5 (Corollary 6.1) and Theorem 1.6 (Theorem 6.3). The following estimate for injectivity radius is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.5.

COROLLARY 6.1. *Let (M, g) be a closed Riemannian manifold, Θ be a calibration n -form, and $p \in M$. Assume that the sectional curvature K_g satisfies*

$$\sup_{B_g(p, 2\pi)} K_g \leq 1,$$

and there is a submanifold L calibrated by Θ such that $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} L = n$, $p \in L$, and

$$\int_L \Theta < \frac{\pi}{2n} \varpi_{n-1},$$

where ϖ_{n-1} is the volume of S^{n-1} with the standard metric of constant curvature 1. Then the injectivity radius $i_g(p)$ of (M, g) at p satisfies

$$i_g(p)^n \leq \frac{n\pi^{n-1}}{2^{n-1}\varpi_{n-1}} \int_L \Theta.$$

PROOF OF COROLLARY 6.1 AND THEOREM 1.5. By Theorem 2.5, we have

$$\operatorname{Vol}_{h_1}(B_{h_1}(r)) \leq \operatorname{Vol}_g(B_g(p, r) \cap L) \leq \operatorname{Vol}_g(L) = \int_L \Theta,$$

for any $r \leq \min\{i_g(p), \frac{\pi}{2}\}$, where h_1 denotes the standard metric on S^n with constant curvature 1, and $B_{h_1}(r)$ denotes a metric r -ball in S^n . Since $h_1 =$

$dr^2 + \sin^2 r h_{S^{n-1}}$ where $h_{S^{n-1}}$ is the standard metric on S^{n-1} with constant curvature 1, we obtain $\sin r \geq \frac{2}{\pi}r$, and

$$\frac{2^{n-1}}{n\pi^{n-1}}r^n \varpi_{n-1} \leq \int_0^r \sin^{n-1} r dr \varpi_{n-1} = \text{Vol}_{h_1}(B_{h_1}(r)) \leq \int_L \Theta.$$

If $i_g(p) \geq \frac{\pi}{2}$, by letting $r = \frac{\pi}{2}$, we obtain

$$\frac{\pi}{2n} \varpi_{n-1} \leq \int_L \Theta < \frac{\pi}{2n} \varpi_{n-1},$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $i_g(p) < \frac{\pi}{2}$. By letting $r = i_g(p)$, we obtain

$$i_g(p)^n \leq \frac{n\pi^{n-1}}{2^{n-1}\varpi_{n-1}} \int_L \Theta.$$

We obtain Theorem 1.5 by applying the above arguments to special Lagrangian submanifolds in Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifolds. \square

An obvious application of Corollary 6.1 is estimating injectivity radii by volumes of holomorphic submanifolds, which is interesting by itself.

COROLLARY 6.2. *Let (M, ω, J, g) be a closed Kähler m -manifold, and $p \in M$. Assume that the sectional curvature K_g satisfies*

$$\sup_M K_g \leq 1,$$

and there is a smooth holomorphic n -submanifold N such that $p \in N$, and

$$\int_N \omega^n < \frac{(n-1)! \pi}{2} \varpi_{n-1}.$$

Then the injectivity radius $i_g(p)$ of (M, g) at p satisfies

$$i_g(p)^n \leq \frac{\pi^{n-1}}{(n-1)! 2^{n-1} \varpi_{n-1}} \int_N \omega^n.$$

By combining this corollary and the result in [10], there are F -structures of positive rank on the regions of Kähler manifolds with bounded curvature and fibred by holomorphic submanifolds with small volumes.

Finally, we estimate the volume of metric balls when they are fibred by calibrated submanifolds with small volume in the absence of bounded curvature of the ambient manifolds.

THEOREM 6.3. *For any $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a constant $\delta = \delta(n, m, \varepsilon) > 0$ for which the following statement holds true: Assume that (M, g, Θ) is a closed Ricci-flat Einstein m -manifold with a calibration n -form Θ , $p \in M$, and there is a homology class $A \in H_n(M, \mathbb{Z})$ such that for any $x \in$*

$B_g(p, 1)$, there is a n -submanifold L_x calibrated by Θ passing x and presenting A , i.e. $x \in L_x$ and $[L_x] = A$. If

$$\int_A \Theta < \delta,$$

then

$$\text{Vol}_g(B_g(p, 1)) \leq \varepsilon.$$

PROOF OF THEOREM 6.3 AND THEOREM 1.6. Assume that the conclusion is not true. Then there is a family of closed Ricci-flat Einstein m -manifolds $\{(M_k, g_k, \Theta_k)\}$ with calibration n -forms Θ_k , $p_k \in M_k$, and there are homology class $A_k \in H_n(M_k, \mathbb{Z})$ such that

- i) for any $x \in B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)$, there is a n -submanifold $L_{k,x}$ calibrated by Θ_k passing x and presenting A_k , i.e. $x \in L_{k,x}$ and $[L_{k,x}] = A_k$,
- ii)

$$\int_{A_k} \Theta_k < \frac{1}{k}.$$

However,

$$\text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)) \geq C,$$

for a constant $C > 0$ independent of k .

By the Gromov pre-compactness theorem (Theorem 2.2), by passing to a subsequence, $\{(M_k, g_k, p_k)\}$ converges to a complete path metric space (Y, d_Y, p) in the pointed Gromov–Hausdorff sense. By Theorem 2.3, the Hausdorff dimension of (Y, d_Y, p) is m , and there is a closed subset $S_Y \subset Y$ of Hausdorff dimension smaller than $m - 1$, i.e. $\dim_{\mathcal{H}} S_Y < m - 1$, such that $Y \setminus S_Y$ is a smooth manifold, and d_Y is induced by a Ricci-flat Einstein metric g_∞ on $Y \setminus S_Y$. Furthermore, for any compact subset $D \subset Y \setminus S_Y$, there are embeddings $F_{k,D} : D \rightarrow M_k$ such that $F_{k,D}^* g_k$ converges to g_∞ in the C^∞ -sense.

We take D so large that $D \cap B_{d_Y}(p, \frac{1}{8})$ is not empty. For a $y \in \text{int} D \cap B_{d_Y}(p, \frac{1}{4})$, there is a $r > 0$ such that $B_{g_\infty}(y, 2r) \subset \text{int} D \cap B_{d_Y}(p, \frac{1}{4})$, and $B_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y), r) \subset F_{k,D}(D) \cap B_{g_k}(p_k, \frac{1}{2})$ when $k \gg 1$. By the smooth convergence of $F_{k,D}^* g_k$, the sectional curvatures K_{g_k} satisfy

$$\sup_{F_{k,D}(D)} |K_{g_k}| \leq C_D,$$

for a constant C_D depending on D , but independent of k . Let L_k be an n -submanifold calibrated by Θ_k passing $F_{k,D}(y)$ and presenting A_k , i.e. $F_{k,D}(y) \in L_k$ and $[L_k] = A_k$. By the Bishop–Gromov comparison theorem, for any $\rho \leq r$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y), \rho))}{\rho^m} &\geq \text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y), 1)) \geq \text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(p_k, \frac{1}{2})) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2^m} \text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)) \geq \frac{C}{2^m}. \end{aligned}$$

Then there is a uniform lower bound $\iota > 0$ for injectivity radii $i_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y))$ at $F_{k,D}(y)$ (cf. [34]), i.e. $i_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y)) \geq \iota > 0$ for $k \gg 1$. By Theorem 2.5, we have

$$\text{Vol}_{h_1}(B_{h_1}(\rho)) \leq \text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(F_{k,D}(y), \rho) \cap L_k) \leq \int_{L_k} \Theta_k = \int_{A_k} \Theta_k \leq \frac{1}{k},$$

where $\rho = \min\{\iota, r, \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{C_D}}\}$, h_1 denotes the standard metric on S^n with constant curvature C_D , and $B_{h_1}(\rho)$ denotes a metric ρ -ball in S^n . We obtain a contradiction when $k \gg 1$, and, thus, we obtain the conclusion.

We obtain Theorem 1.6 by applying the above arguments to special Lagrangian submanifolds in Ricci-flat Calabi–Yau manifolds. \square

REMARK 6.4. Let $\{(M_k, g_k, \Theta_k)\}$ be a family of closed Ricci-flat Einstein m -manifolds with calibration n -forms Θ_k , and $\{p_k\}$ be a sequence of points such that there are open subsets $W_k \supset B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)$ in M_k admitting calibrated fibrations $f_k : W_k \rightarrow B_k$ corresponding to Θ_k , i.e. for any $b_k \in B_k$, $f_k^{-1}(b_k)$ is an n -submanifold calibrated by Θ_k . If

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{f_k^{-1}(b_k)} \Theta_k = 0,$$

where $b_k \in B_k$, Theorem 6.3 implies that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \text{Vol}_{g_k}(B_{g_k}(p_k, 1)) = 0,$$

and, by passing to a subsequence, $\{(M_k, g_k)\}$ converges to a path metric space of a lower Hausdorff dimension in the pointed Gromov–Hausdorff sense.

REMARK 6.5. Theorem 6.3 applies to G_2 -manifolds and $Spin(7)$ -manifolds since they are Ricci-flat Einstein manifolds (cf. [28]).

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