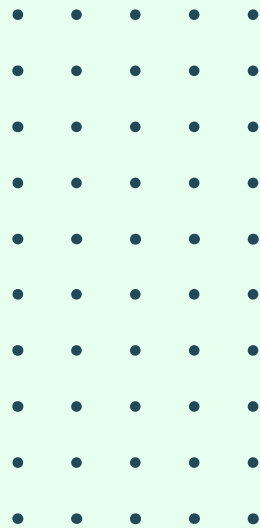


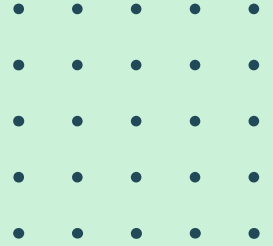
# Spinal open books and symplectic fillings

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# Open book and Symplectic fillings



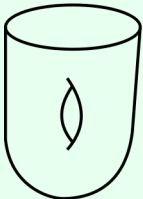
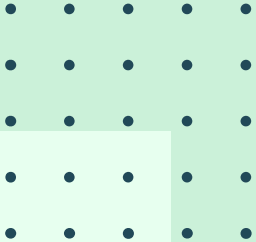
## **Theorem (Wendl)**

A symplectic filling of a planar open book is supported by a Lefschetz fibration

## **Theorem (Lisi-VHM-Wendl) (Min-Roy-Wang)**

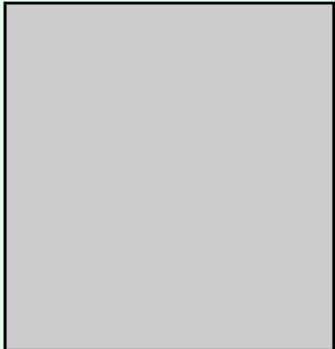
A symplectic filling of a planar uniform spinal open book is supported by a nearly Lefschetz fibration

# Lefschetz fibrations over a disk

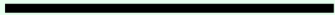


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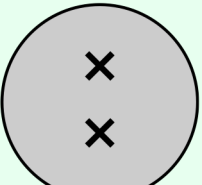
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boundary = open book  
fiber  $\Rightarrow$  page  
base  $\Rightarrow$  binding

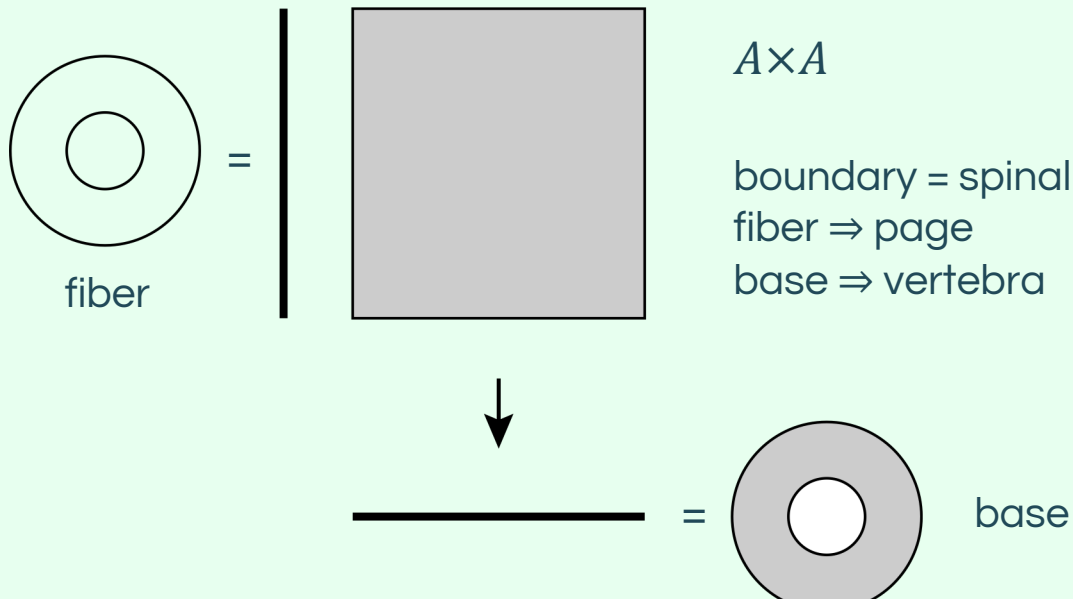
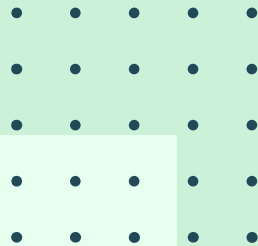


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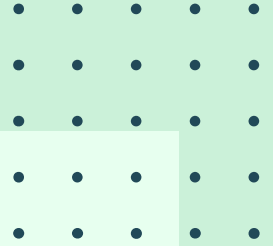


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# Lefschetz fibrations over a surface

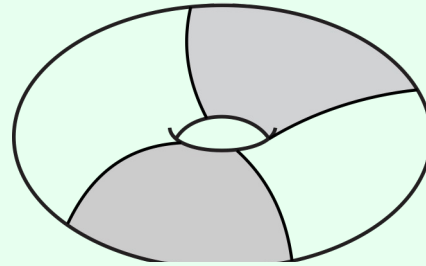


# Spinal open book decompositions



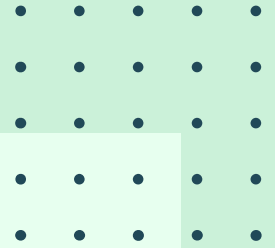
$$\begin{aligned} A \times A &= (S^1 \times I) \times (S^1 \times I) \\ &= (S^1 \times S^1) \times (I \times I) \\ &= T^2 \times D^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial(A \times A) = T^2 \times S^1 = T^3$$

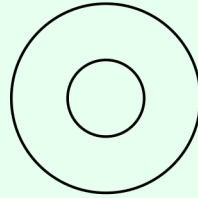


$\times S^1$

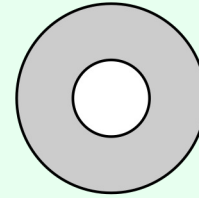
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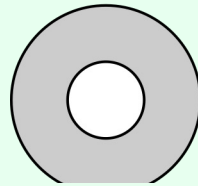
A (Lefschetz amenable)  
spinal open book for  $T^3$



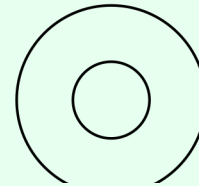
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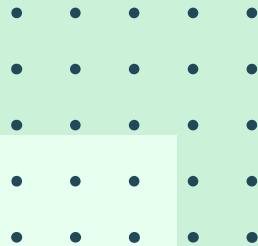


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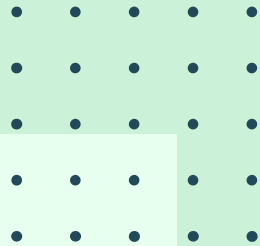
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# Spinal open book decompositions

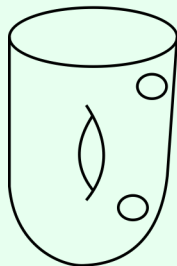


- $M = M_P \cup M_\Sigma$ ;  $M_P$ : paper,  $M_\Sigma$ : spine,  $P$ : page,  $\Sigma$ : vertebra
- $\pi = (\pi_\Sigma, \pi_P)$
- $\pi_\Sigma: M_\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a trivial  $S^1$  bundle over  $\Sigma$
- $\pi_P: M_P \rightarrow S^1$  is a  $P$ -bundle over  $S^1$
- A fiber of  $M_\Sigma$  is identified with  $\partial P$

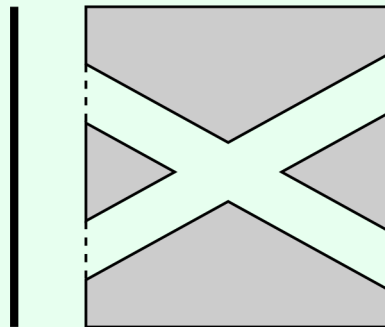
# Nearly Lefschetz fibrations



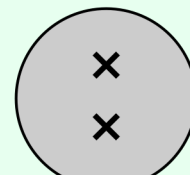
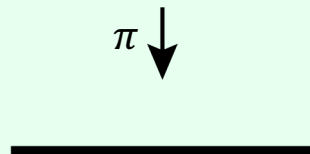
complement of a  
multisection of the base



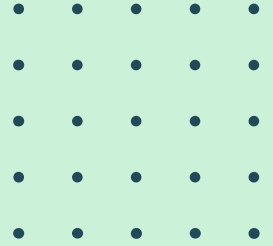
multisection: branched  
cover of the base



Boundary: a uniform spinal open book

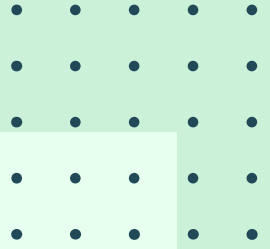


# Question: How to construct a spinal open book?



**Method 1** Use relative open books

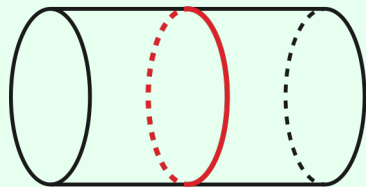
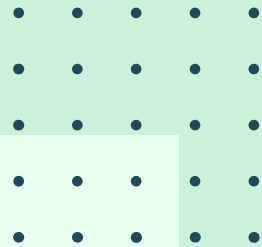
**Method 2** Quasipositive braids



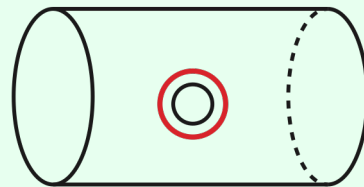
# Relative open books

- Parts of an honest open book.
- Building blocks for an honest open book

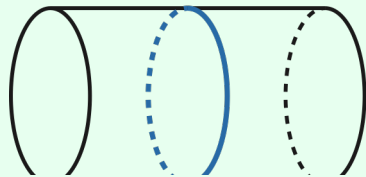
# Relative open books for $T^2 \times I$



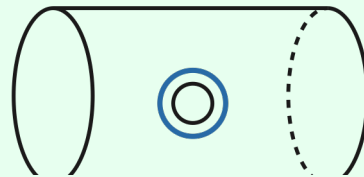
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$b^{-1}$

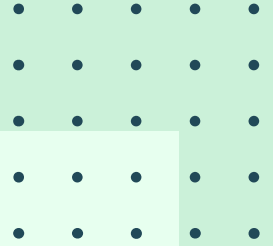


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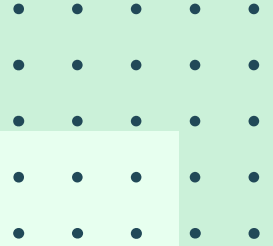
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# Torus bundles



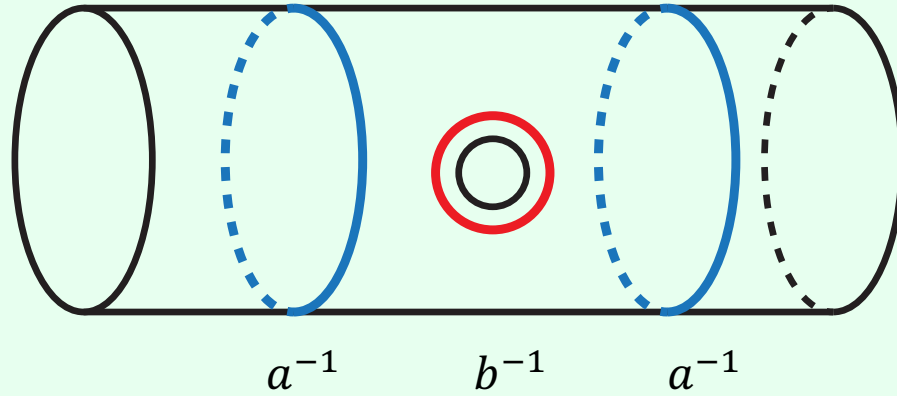
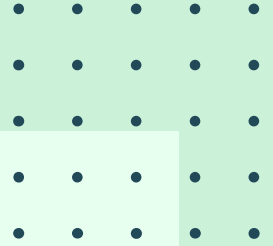
- $A$ : 2x2 matrix
- $T_A = T \times [0,1] / \sim \quad (x, 1) \sim (Ax, 0)$
- Example:  $T^3 = T_I$  parabolic:  $A = \pm \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

# Torus bundles



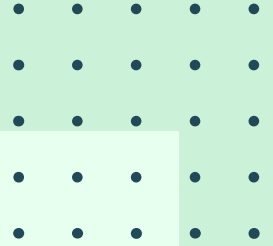
- $a \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$      $b \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $(aba)^{-2} \sim - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $(aba)^{-4} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

# Relative open books

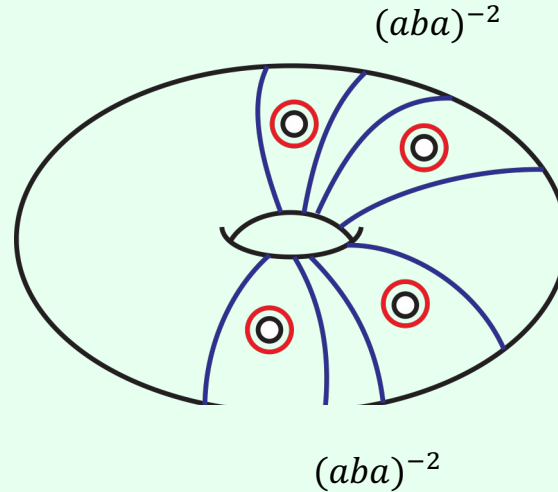


$$(aba)^{-1}$$

# Relative open books

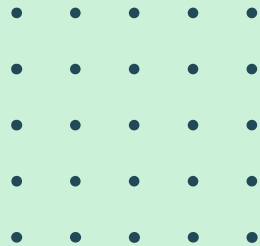


- $(aba)^{-2} \cong -I$
- $(aba)^{-4} \cong I$



An open book for  $T^3$

# Relative open books

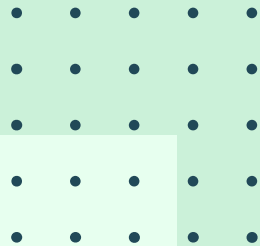


## **Theorem (VHM)**

The relative open book with the word  $(aba)^{-2}$  is contactomorphic to a  $\pi$ -twisting  $T^2 \times I$

## **Theorem (Min-Roy-Wang)**

The spine from an annular vertebra is contactomorphic to a  $\pi$ -twisting  $T^2 \times I$

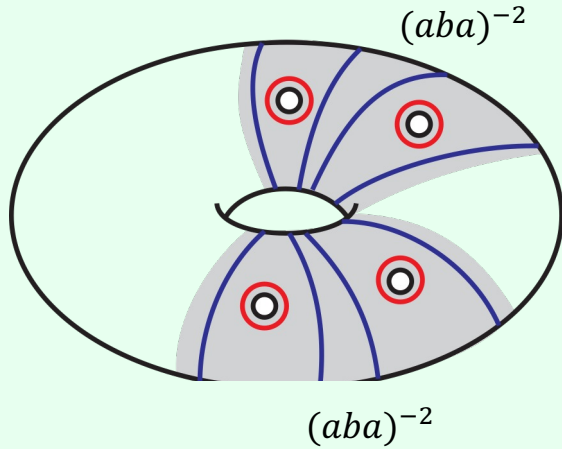
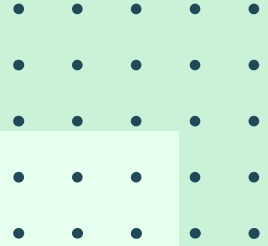


## **From an open book to a spinal open book**

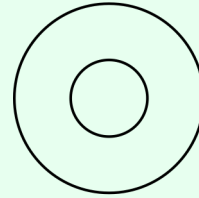
Find a relative open book with the word  $(aba)^{-2}$

Remove the relative open book and replace it with an annulus vertebra

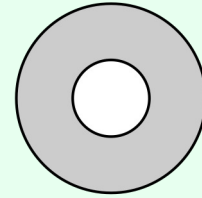
# Example: $T^3$



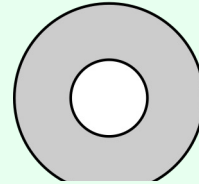
An open book for  $T^3$



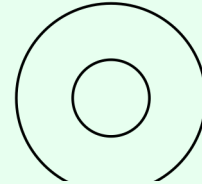
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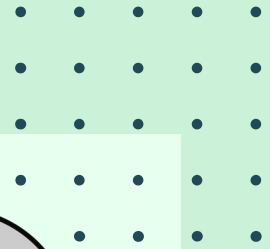
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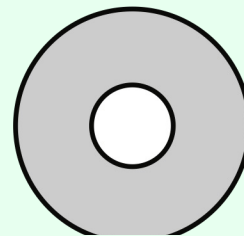
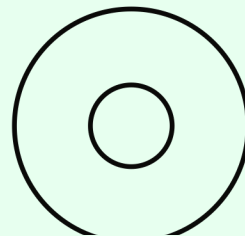
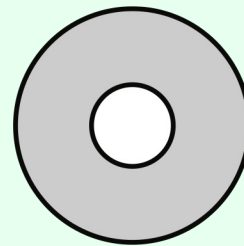
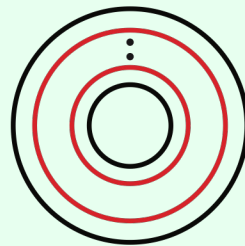
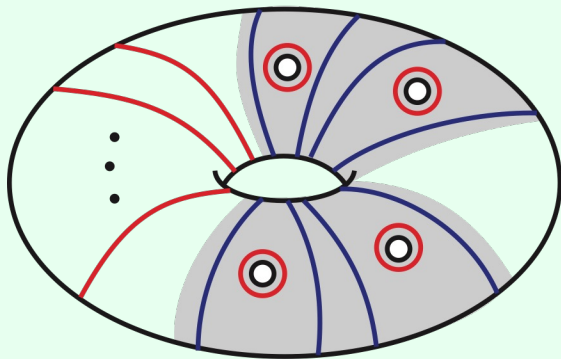
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A spinal open book for  $T^3$

# Positive parabolic torus bundles



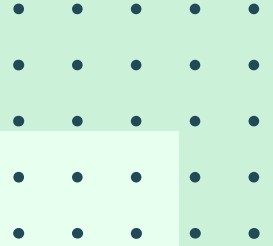
$$(aba)^{-4}a^n$$



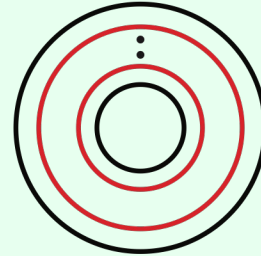
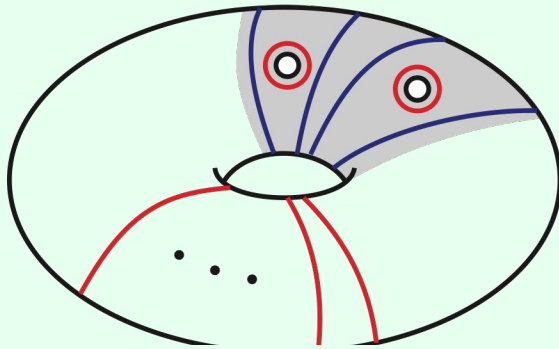
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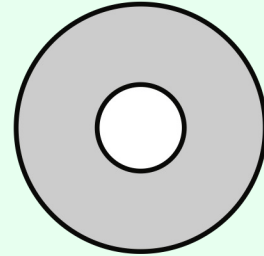
# Negative parabolic torus bundles



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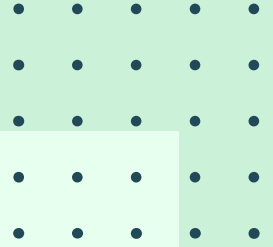


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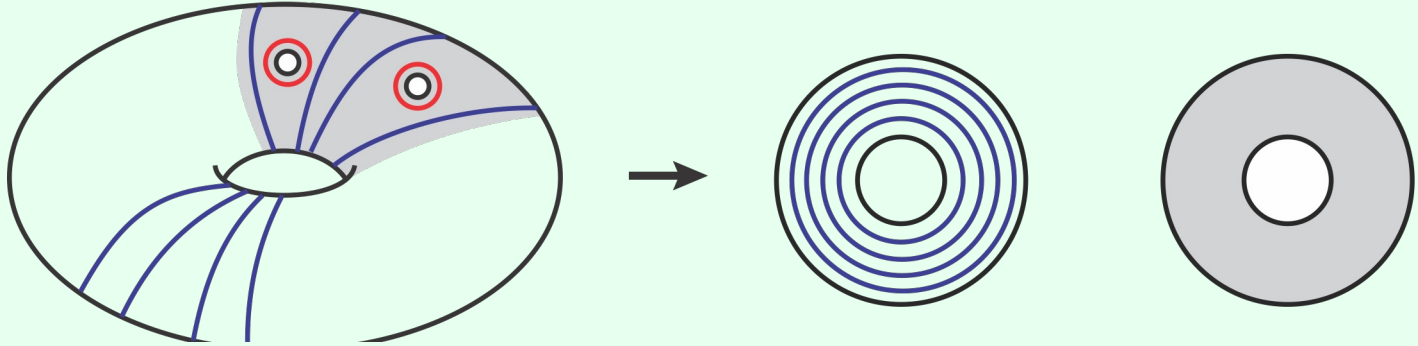


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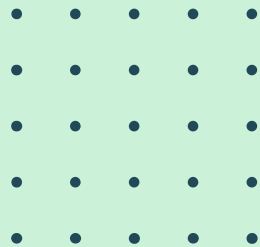
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$$(aba)^{-2}a^{-4}$$



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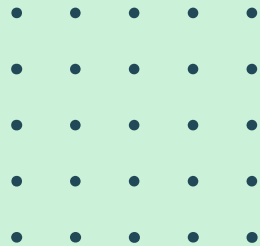
**Theorem**  
**(VHM)**  
**(Golla-Lisca)**  
**(Ding-Li)**

$(aba)^{-2}a^n$  is symplectically  
fillable if and only if  $n \geq -4$

**Theorem**  
**(Min-Roy-Wang)**

$(aba)^{-2}a^n$  admits a unique Stein  
filling if and only if  $n \geq -4$

# Negative parabolic torus bundles

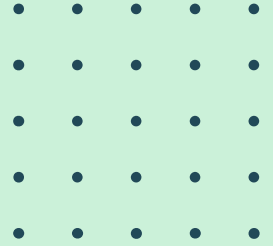


## Theorem

For  $n \geq 6$ ,  $S_n^3(T_{2,3})$  admits two tight contact structures

## Theorem (Min-Roy-Wang)

For  $n \geq 6$ , each tight contact structure on  $S_n^3(T_{2,3})$  admits a unique symplectic filling



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