A Semi-Infinite Cycle Construction of Floer Homology

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I will describe a new construction of Floer Theories based on a notion of "semi-infinite" geometric cycle. As opposed to the traditional Morsetheoretic approach, no transversality/nondegeneracy assumptions are necessary for the definition. I will illustrate the theory on two examples: Seiberg-Witten-Floer homology as well as Hamiltonian Floer theory for loops in \mathbb{C}^n .

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