

**An Introduction to Complex and  
Algebraic Geometry- With focus  
on compact Riemann Surfaces**

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Part I

Differential Geometry of  
Real Surfaces

# Chapter 1

## Differential Geometry of Real Surfaces

### 1.1 Fundamental of (2-dimensional) Riemannian Geometry

Let  $M$  be a smooth differential manifold of dimension  $m$  and let  $p \in M$ . The tangent space  $T_p M$  is a collection of tangent vectors  $v_p$  to  $M$  at the point  $p$ , here a tangent vector  $v_p$  is a map  $v_p : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that (i)  $v_p(af + bg) = av_p(f) + bv_p(g)$ , (ii)  $v_p(fg) = f(p)v_p(g) + g(p)v_p(f)$ . Let  $(U, \phi)$  a local coordinate for  $M$  at  $p$  with coordinate functions  $x^k = \pi^k \circ \phi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  (so, for each  $p \in U$ ,  $\phi(p) = (x^1(p), \dots, x^m(p))$ ) (Note, sometime, we just write the local coordinate  $(U, \phi)$  as  $x : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m$ ). Then we have special tangent vectors  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} |_{p}, 1 \leq k \leq m\}$  (called the **partial derivatives**)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} |_{p} : C^\infty(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$$

defined by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} |_{p} (f) = D_k(f \circ \phi^{-1})(\phi(p)),$$

where  $D_k(f \circ \phi^{-1})(\phi(p))$  means the ordinary  $x^k$ -partial derivative of the function  $f \circ \phi^{-1}$  at the point  $\phi(p)$ . It is clear that  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} |_{p}, 1 \leq k \leq m\}$  forms a basis for  $T_p X$ , i.e. for every  $v_p \in T_p X$ ,

$$v_p = \sum_{k=1}^m v_p(x^k) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} |_{p}.$$

Let  $M$  be a 2-dimensional real smooth manifold (surface). A vector field  $X$  assigns, at each point  $p \in M$ , a vector  $X(p) \in T_p M$ . Its dual is the differential

1-form  $\omega$ . Locally, we can write  $\omega = adu^1 + bdu^2$ , with the following change of variables rule: let  $u^1 = u^1(v^1, v^2)$ ,  $u^2 = u^2(v^1, v^2)$ , then, for  $1 \leq j \leq 2$ ,

$$du^i = \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v^j} dv^j.$$

## 1.2 Fundamental of Riemannian Geometry

Let  $M$  be a Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n$ . Let  $g$  be the Riemannian metric of  $M$ . The following theorem is called the fundamental theorem of Riemannian geometry:

**Theorem.** There exists a unique connection  $D$  (Levi-Civita connection) of  $M$  satisfies

1. (compatible with the metric)  $Z \langle X, Y \rangle = \langle D_Z X, Y \rangle + \langle X, D_Z Y \rangle$
2. (torsion free)  $D_X Y - D_Y X = [X, Y]$

Let  $\{X_i\}$  be a local orthonormal frame on  $M$  (local frame for  $TU$ ). Let  $\{\theta^i\}$  be the dual co-frame. Write

$$D_Z X_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_i^j(Z) X_j$$

$\omega_i^j$  are called **connection forms** of  $D$  with respect to the local frame  $\{X_i\}$ .  $\omega = (\omega_i^j)$  is the **connection matrix**.

Equivalently, if we use Christoffel symbol, i.e. write

$$D_{X_i} X_j = \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k X_k$$

and write  $[X_i, X_j] = \sum_k C_{ij}^k X_k$ . Then

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \Gamma_{ik}^j, \quad \Gamma_{ij}^k - \Gamma_{ji}^k - C_{ij}^k = 0.$$

Let  $\omega_j^i$  be 1-forms such that

$$\omega_j^k(X_i) = \Gamma_{ij}^k.$$

Then

$$DX_j = \sum_k X_k \omega_j^k$$

or

$$D\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}\omega.$$

**The first structure equation**

$$\omega_j^i + \omega_i^j = 0$$

$$d\theta^i = -\sum_{j=1}^m \omega_j^i \wedge \theta^j$$

or

$$d\theta = \omega \wedge \theta = 0.$$

**The second structure equation** is: define the curvature matrix

$$\Omega := d\omega + \omega \wedge \omega.$$

Write

$$\Omega_i^j = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l=1}^m R_{ikl}^j \theta^k \wedge \theta^l,$$

where  $R(X_k, X_l)X_i = R_{ikl}^j X_j$  which is called the curvature tensor.

In the change of coordinates

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{A},$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta} &= A^t \theta, \\ \tilde{\omega} &= A^{-1} \omega A + A^{-1} dA \\ \tilde{\Omega} &= A^{-1} \Omega A. \end{aligned}$$

**In the case when**  $\dim M = 2$ : Since  $\omega_j^i + \omega_i^j = 0$ ,  $\omega_1^1 = \omega_2^2 = 0$ ,  $\omega_1^2 = -\omega_2^1$ . Hence the connection matrix is

$$\omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega_2^1 \\ -\omega_2^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the curvature matrix is

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d\omega_2^1 \\ -d\omega_2^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that  $\Omega_2^1 = d\omega_2^1$  is an exact form. According to the above "change of frame formula",  $\tilde{\Omega} = A^{-1} \Omega A$ , hence  $\tilde{\Omega}_2^1 = (\det A) \Omega_2^1$ . So  $\Omega_2^1$  is a globally defined 2-form. Define the Gauss curvature

$$K = \langle R(X_1, X_2)X_1, X_2 \rangle = \Omega_2^1(X_1, X_2),$$

then

$$\Omega_2^1 = K d\theta^1 \wedge \theta^2 = K d\sigma.$$

### 1.3 Curves in the Surface, its Geodesic Curvature

Let  $C$  be a curve given by  $\alpha : I \rightarrow M$  be a curve. Write  $\alpha' = \sum_{i=1}^2 \xi^i \mathbf{e}_i$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^2 (\xi^i)^2 = 1$ . Let  $\mathbf{T}(s) = \alpha'(s)$  be the tangent vector to the curve,  $\mathbf{N} := -\xi^2 \mathbf{e}_1 + \xi^1 \mathbf{e}_2$ . Recall that for a vector field  $\mathbf{X} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \xi^i \mathbf{e}_i$  along the curve  $(u(t), v(t))$ , its covariant derivative along the curve is

$$\frac{D\mathbf{X}}{dt} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{d\xi^i}{dt} + \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{\omega_j^i}{dt} \xi^j \right) \mathbf{e}_i.$$

The geodesic curvature of  $C$  is given by

$$\kappa_g := \left\langle \frac{D\mathbf{T}}{ds}, \mathbf{N} \right\rangle.$$

Note that

$$\left\langle \frac{D\mathbf{T}}{ds}, \mathbf{T} \right\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{d\xi^i}{ds} \xi^i + \frac{\omega_2^1}{ds} \xi^1 + \frac{\omega_1^2}{ds} \xi^2 \right) \xi^1 \xi^2 = 0.$$

We have that

$$\frac{D\mathbf{T}}{ds} = \kappa_g \mathbf{N}.$$

Write  $\xi^1 = \cos \theta$ ,  $\xi^2 = \sin \theta$ . Then

$$\frac{D\mathbf{T}}{ds} = \left( -\xi^2 \frac{d\theta}{ds} + \frac{\omega_2^1}{ds} \xi^2 \right) \mathbf{e}_1 + \left( \xi^1 \frac{d\theta}{ds} + \frac{\omega_1^2}{ds} \xi^1 \right) \mathbf{e}_2 = \left( \frac{d\theta}{ds} - \frac{\omega_2^1}{ds} \right) \mathbf{N}.$$

Thus

$$\kappa_g = \frac{d\theta}{ds} - \frac{\omega_2^1}{ds}.$$

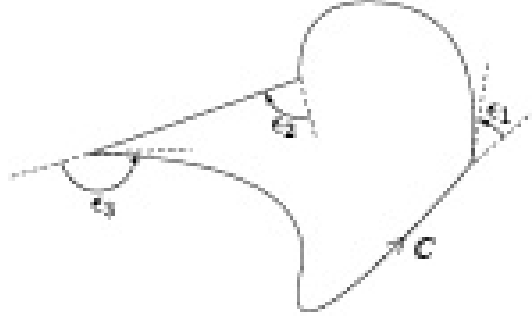
So on the curve  $C$ ,

$$\omega_2^1 = d\theta - \kappa_g ds.$$

### 1.4 Gauss-Bonnet theorem

**Theorem (Local Gauss-Bonnet).** *Suppose that  $R$  is a simply connected region with piecewise smooth boundary in a parametrized surface. If  $C = \partial R$  has exterior angles  $\epsilon_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, q$ , then*

$$\int_{\partial R} \kappa_g ds + \int \int_R K dA + \sum_{j=1}^q \epsilon_j = 2\pi.$$



*Proof:* Take  $C$  as a smooth piece of  $\partial M$  and the exterior angle  $\epsilon_j$  at  $P_j$  gives the jump of theta as we cross  $P_j$ ). Then, by Stokes' theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_M K d\sigma &= - \int \int_M d\omega_{12} = - \int_{\partial M} \omega_{12} = - \int_{\partial M} (\bar{\omega}_{12} - d\theta) \\ &= - \int_{\partial M} \kappa_g ds + (2\pi - \sum \epsilon_j). \end{aligned}$$

When  $R = T$  is a geodesic triangle on  $M$  (i.e. a region whose boundary consists of three geodesic segments), then it implies that (with  $\epsilon_i = \pi - \alpha_i$ ):

**Theorem( Gauss Formula for embedded triangle)** *Let  $M$  be a surface in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  and let  $T$  be an embedded geodesic triangle on  $M$  (i.e. a region whose boundary consists of three geodesic segments) with interior angles  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ . Then*

$$\int \int_T K dA = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - \pi.$$

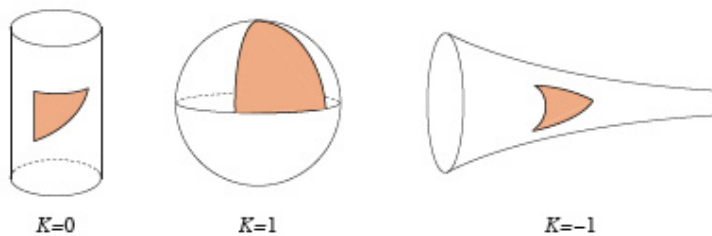
**Remark:** The amount  $\int \int_T K dA$  is called the *total Gaussian curvature* of  $T$ . and  $\int_{\partial T} \kappa_g ds$  is called the *total geodesic curvature* of the boundary  $\partial T$ .

If the embedded triangle  $T$  is a geodesic triangle on  $M$ , i.e. it is formed by the arcs of three geodesics on a surface  $M$ , and if  $A, B, C$  are interior angles, then the Gauss-Bonnet Formula reduces to what is known as the *Gauss formula*:

$$\int \int_T K dA = A + B + C - \pi.$$

If  $K > 0$  on  $T$ , then the total sum of its interior angles **exceeds**  $\pi$ .  $K < 0$  the total sum of its interior angles is less than  $\pi$ . If  $K = 0$ , then  $A + B + C = \pi$ ,





**GLOBAL VERSION OF THE GAUSS-BONNET THEOREM.**

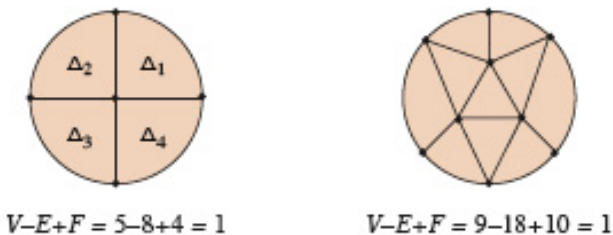
We now consider an oriented surface with piecewise-smooth boundary. T. Rado proved in 1925 that any such surface  $M$  can be triangulated. That is, we may write  $M = \cup_{\lambda=1}^m \Delta_\lambda$  where

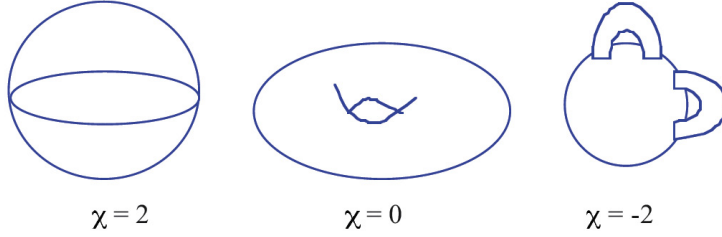
- (i)  $\Delta_\lambda$  is the image of a triangle under an (oriented-preserving) orthogonal parametrization;
- (ii)  $\Delta_\lambda \cap \Delta_\nu$  is either empty, or single vertex, or a single edge;
- (iii) when  $\Delta_\lambda \cap \Delta_\nu$  consists of a single edge, the orientations of the edge are opposite in  $\Delta_\lambda$  and  $\Delta_\nu$ ; and
- (iv) at most one edge of  $\Delta_\lambda$  is contained in the boundary of  $M$ .

We now make a standard

**Definition** Given a triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of a surface  $M$  with  $V$  vertices,  $E$  edges, and  $F$  faces, we define the Euler characteristic  $\chi(M, \mathcal{T}) = V - E + F$ .

We can triangulate a disk as





When  $M$  is compact (i.e. without the boundary), then we have the following neat formula:

**Theorem ( Gauss-Bonnet Formula for compact surface)** *Let  $M$  be a surface compact surface in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  without boundary. Then*

$$\int \int_M K dA = 2\pi\chi(M)$$

where  $K$  is the Gauss curvature,  $dA$  is the area measure, and  $\chi(M)$  is the Euler characteristic of  $M$ .

The above theorem shows that the Euler characteristic  $\chi(M, \mathcal{T})$  is indeed **independent** of the choice of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ . It is the property of  $M$  itself. It is therefore legitimate to denote the Euler characteristic by  $\chi(M)$ .

Here is the proof of Gauss-Bonnet in the case that  $M$  is compact: Let  $M = \cup \Delta_\lambda$  be a triangulation. Then

$$\int \int_M K dA = \sum_\lambda \int \int_{\Delta_\lambda} K dA.$$

Using the local Gauss-Bonnet for triangles  $\Delta_\lambda$ , we get

$$\int \int_{\Delta_\lambda} K dA + \int_{\partial \Delta_\lambda} \kappa_g ds = \sum_{j=1}^3 \ell_j - \pi,$$

where  $\ell_j, 1 \leq j \leq 3$  are the three interior angles of the triangle  $\Delta_\lambda$ . By summing up, notice that the integrals  $\int_{\partial \Delta_\lambda} \kappa_g ds$  cancel in Paris due to the opposite orientation, we have

$$\int \int_M K dA = \sum_\lambda \sum_{j=1}^3 \ell_j - \pi F,$$

where  $F$  is the number of triangles  $\Delta_\lambda$  (i.e. the number of faces). Notice that at each vertex, the sum of all interior angles is  $2\pi$ , so

$$\int \int_M K dA = 2\pi V - \pi F,$$

where  $V = \#$  of vertices. Use the fact that  $M$  does not have boundary, every triangle has three edges, and each edge share with two triangles, hence  $3F = 2E$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_M K dA &= 2\pi V - \pi F = 2\pi V - \pi(2F - 2E) \\ &= 2\pi(E + V - F) = 2\pi\chi(M). \end{aligned}$$

This proves our theorem.

## Part II

# The Theory of Compact Riemann Surfaces

## Chapter 2

# Basics about Riemann Surfaces

### 2.1 Riemann surfaces (and complex manifolds)

An  $n$ -dimensional complex manifold  $M$  is a Hausdorff paracompact topological space with a local coordinate covering  $\{U_i, \Phi_i\}$  such such

- (1) Each  $U_i$  is an open subset of  $M$  and  $\cup U_i = M$ ,
- (2)  $\Phi_i : U_i \rightarrow U_i^0$  is a homeomorphism from  $U_i$  onto an open subset  $U_i^0 \subset \mathbf{C}^n$ ,
- (3) If  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\Phi_i \circ \Phi_j^{-1} : \Phi_j(U_i \cap U_j) \rightarrow \Phi_i(U_i \cap U_j)$  are holomorphic.

A Riemann surface  $M$  is a (connected) complex manifold of dimension one.  $\Phi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is called a (coordinate) chart.  $\Phi^{-1} : \Phi(U) \subset \mathbf{C} \rightarrow M$  is called a (local) parametrization.

**Examples:** The complex plane  $\mathbf{C}$  is the first example of a Riemann surface. Its only chart is  $U = \mathbf{C}$  with the identity map to  $\mathbf{C}$ . The Riemann sphere  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$  is the first example of a compact RS. Its atlas can be built from two charts (coordinate system):  $U_0 = \hat{\mathbf{C}} - \infty = \mathbf{C}$  and  $\Phi_0$  is the identity map,  $U_1 = \hat{\mathbf{C}} - \{0\}$  and  $\Phi_1(z) = 1/z$  if  $z \neq \infty$  and  $\Phi_1(\infty) = 0$ . Then  $\Phi_0 \circ \Phi_1^{-1} : \mathbf{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^* : \Phi_0 \circ \Phi_1^{-1}(z) = 1/z$ . The sphere  $\Sigma = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$  is also a compact RS where  $U_0 = \Sigma - \{\text{north pole}\}$ ,  $U_1 = \Sigma - \{\text{south pole}\}$ ,  $\Phi_1(p_1, p_2, p_3) = \frac{p_1 + ip_2}{1 - p_3}$ ,  $\Phi_0(p_1, p_2, p_3) = \frac{p_1 - ip_2}{1 - p_3}$ ,  $\Phi_0 \circ \Phi_1^{-1} : \mathbf{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^* : \Phi_0 \circ \Phi_1^{-1}(z) = 1/z$ .

**More examples:**

(1) **Complex projective space:**  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C}) := \mathbf{C}^2 - \{0\} / \sim$  where  $(z_1, z_2)$  is equivalent to  $(w_1, w_2)$  if and only if  $(w_1, w_2) = \lambda(z_1, z_2)$ . Let  $U_1 = [1, z_2]$ ,  $\phi_1 : U_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  by  $[1, z_2] \mapsto z_2$  and  $U_2 = [z_1, 1]$ ,  $\phi_2 : U_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  by  $[z_1, 1] \mapsto z_1$ .

(2) **Complex Torus:**  $X = \mathbf{C}/\Lambda$ . Let  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbf{C}$  be  $\mathbf{R}$ -linear independent. Consider the lattice  $\Lambda := \mathbf{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbf{Z}\omega_2$ . We say that  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbf{C}$  are equivalent if

$z_1 - z_2 \in \Lambda$ , so the quotient space  $X := \mathbf{C}/\Lambda$  is well-defined (its elements are equivalent classes  $[z], z \in \mathbf{C}$ ). Let  $\pi : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow X$  be the natural projection (i.e. for  $\pi : z \mapsto [z]$ ). We define  $U \subset X$  to be open if  $\pi^{-1}(U) \subset \mathbf{C}$  is open. This defines the topology on  $X$ . To find the chart of  $X$ , consider the parallelogram  $D = \{s\omega_1 + t\omega_2, 0 < s < 1, 0 < t < 1\}$ . Then  $D$  has the following properties: (i)  $\pi|_D$  is 1-1; (ii)  $\pi|_{\bar{D}}$  is onto. In other words, every two points  $z_1, z_2 \in D$  are not equivalent, and for every point  $[z] \in X$  we can find its representation  $z \in \bar{D}$ .  $D$  is called the *fundamental region* of  $X$ . It is also easy to see that  $\pi : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow X$  is locally one to one, i.e. there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $w \in \mathbf{C}$ , the map  $\pi$ , when being restricted to the  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $w$ , i.e.  $V_w = \{z \in \mathbf{C} \mid |z - w| < \delta\}$ , is one-to-one. Let  $U_w = \pi(V_w), \phi_w = (\pi|_{V_w})^{-1}$ . Then  $\{U_w, \phi_w\}$  forms a coordinate system for  $X$ . Thus  $X$  is a Riemann surface.

## 2.2 Mappings between Riemann Surfaces

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two complex manifolds. A continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called a *holomorphic map* if for each pair of charts  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}, \psi : V \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ , the composition  $\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}$  is holomorphic. A holomorphic map  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is called a *holomorphic function*. Note that the notions of harmonic and sub-harmonic functions can also be extended to the RS.

Properties of holomorphic functions extend to manifolds:

(1) If  $M$  and  $N$  are Riemann surfaces (or complex manifolds) with  $M$  connected and  $f, g : M \rightarrow N$  are holomorphic and coincide on a set with a limit point, then  $f = g$  on  $M$ . Consider the set of points in which  $f, g$  coincide in a neighborhood. It is open (automatic). It is closed (given a sequence  $\{z_k\}$  its tail lies in one chart). It is not empty, for it contains the limit point; so  $f, g$  must coincide everywhere on  $M$ .

(2) Suppose  $M$  is connected and  $f$  is holomorphic on  $M$  if  $|f|$  has a relative maximum, it is constant. If  $|f|$  has a relative maximum, in a neighborhood, it coincides with the constant function, use part (1).

**From the maximal principle, every holomorphic map on a compact RS must be constant.** As a result, meromorphic functions on a compact RS is more interesting.

Let  $W \subset M$  be an open subset. We say a function  $f$  on  $W$  is meromorphic at  $p \in W$  if  $f$  is holomorphic on a punctured neighborhood of a point  $p$  and has either a pole or a removable singularity at  $p$ . The function  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is said to be a **meromorphic function** if there exists a discrete set  $\{p_i\} \subset M$  such that  $f : M \setminus \{p_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is holomorphic and  $f$  is meromorphic at each  $p_j$ . For example, consider the torus  $X = \mathbf{C}/\Lambda$ . We define a meromorphic function  $\mathcal{P} : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}(z) := \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{0 \neq \omega \in L} \left( \frac{1}{(z + \omega)^2} - \frac{1}{\omega^2} \right).$$

Ignoring issues of convergence, observe that  $\mathcal{P}(z + \omega) = \mathbf{P}(z)$  for all  $\omega \in L$ , thus  $\mathcal{P}$  determined a unique meromorphic function on  $X$ , which (both) is called the Weierstrass  $\mathcal{P}$ -function. We also have the well-defined notion of order, which is denoted by  $\text{ord}_p(f)$  (note:  $\text{ord}_p(f) = k$  if  $p$  is a zero of  $f$  order  $k$ , and  $\text{ord}_p(f) = -k$  if  $p$  is a pole of  $f$  order  $k$ ).

## 2.3 Differential Forms

A 0-form on  $M$  is a function on  $M$ . A 1-form  $\omega$  is an (ordered) assignment, for every local coordinate  $(U, z_U)$ ,  $\omega = f_U dz_U + g_U d\bar{z}_U$ , where  $f_U$  and  $g_U$  are two (local) functions, and is invariant under coordinate change, i.e. and for every  $(U, z_U)$  and  $(W, z_W)$ , on  $U \cap W$ , we have  $\omega = f_U dz_U + g_U d\bar{z}_U = f_W dz_W + g_W d\bar{z}_W$ .

A 2-form  $\Omega$  is an assignment, for every local coordinate  $(U, z_U)$ ,  $\Omega = f_U dz_U \wedge d\bar{z}_U$ , where  $f_U$  is a (local) function, and is invariant under coordinate change. Here we used the "exterior" multiplication of forms. This (wedge) multiplication satisfies the following:  $dz \wedge dz = 0$ ,  $dz \wedge d\bar{z} = -d\bar{z} \wedge dz$ ,  $d\bar{z} \wedge d\bar{z} = 0$ .

If  $f$  is a  $C^1$  function on  $M$ , then  $df := \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z} = \partial f + \bar{\partial} f$  is a 1-form.  $d$  is called the exterior operator. The  $d\omega$  for any 1-form  $\omega$  is defined in a similar manner.

**Lemma (Partition of Unit).** *The existence of partitions of unity assumes two distinct forms: Given any open cover  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  of  $M$ .*

1. *There exists a partition  $\{\rho_i\}_{i \in I}$  indexed over the same set  $I$  such that  $\text{supp } \rho_i \subset U_i$ . Such a partition is said to be subordinate to the open cover  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ .*

2. *There exists a partition  $\{\rho_i\}_{i \in I}$  indexed over a possibly distinct index set  $J$  such that each  $\text{supp } \rho_j$  has compact support and for each  $j \in J$ ,  $\text{supp } \rho_j \subset U_i$  for some  $i \in I$ .*

*Thus one chooses either to have the supports indexed by the open cover, or the supports compact. If  $M$  is compact, then there exist partitions satisfying both requirements.*

## 2.4 Integration of Differential Forms

**Integration of 1-form:** Let  $\gamma$  be piecewise smooth curve in  $M$ , and  $\omega$  be a smooth 1-form on  $M$ . Let  $\{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of local coordinates (with  $\cup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha = M$ ).

**Case 1:** Assume either  $\gamma$  lies in  $U_\alpha$  or  $\text{Supp } \omega \subset U_\alpha$  for some  $\alpha \in A$  where  $\text{Supp } \omega = \overline{\{p \in M \mid \omega(p) \neq 0\}}$ . We define, write  $\omega = f_\alpha dz_\alpha + g_\alpha d\bar{z}_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha$ ,

$$\int_\gamma \omega := \int_a^b \left( f_\alpha(\phi_\alpha \circ \gamma) \frac{d\phi_\alpha \circ \gamma}{dt} + g_\alpha(\phi_\alpha \circ \gamma) \frac{d\overline{\phi_\alpha \circ \gamma}}{dt} \right) dt,$$

where  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow U_\alpha$  is a parameterization of the curve  $\gamma$ .

**Case 2 (general case):** In general, take a partition of unit  $\{\rho_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ , subordinate to the open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ , using  $\sum_{\alpha \in A} \rho_\alpha \equiv 1$ , we define

$$\int_\gamma \omega := \sum_{\alpha \in A} \int_\gamma (\rho_\alpha \omega).$$

Note that the key fact is that  $\text{Supp}(\rho_\alpha \omega) \subset U_\alpha$ , so  $\int_\gamma (\rho_\alpha \omega)$  is defined in Case 1.

The integration of a two form  $\Omega$  over a region  $D \subset M$  is defined in a similar manner as above by using the partition of unit.

**Stokes Theorem.** *Let  $\omega$  be a 1-form,  $D \subset M$  is a closed domain with smooth boundary, then*

$$\int_{\partial D} \omega = \int_D d\omega.$$

## 2.5 Residues

Let  $\omega = f dz$  be a meromorphic 1-form, and  $p \in M$  be a pole of  $\omega$ . Define  $\text{res}_p \omega := \text{res}_p(f)$ , it is easy to check that the definition is independent of the choice of the coordinate. Alternatively, for a small disc  $D$  centered at  $p$ ,

$$\text{res}_p(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \omega.$$

**Theorem (Residue Theorem).** *Let  $M$  be a RS and  $\omega$  be a meromorphic 1-form on  $M$ . Let  $D \subset M$  be an open subset whose closure is compact,  $\partial D$  is piecewise smooth, and  $\partial D$  does not contain the poles of  $\omega$ . For any meromorphic 1-form  $\omega$ ,*

$$\int_{\partial D} \omega = \sum_{p \in D} \text{res}_p \omega$$

*Proof.* Note that since  $\bar{D}$  is compact, the above sum is only a finite sum. Assume  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  are poles of  $\omega$  in  $D$ . Let  $B_j$  be the small discs containing  $p_j$  only and mutually disjoint. Let  $E = D - \cup_{j=1}^k B_j$ , then  $\omega$  is holomorphic on  $E$ , so  $d\omega = 0$  on  $E$ . From the Stoke's theorem,

$$0 = \int_E d\omega = \int_{\partial E} \omega = \int_{\partial D} \omega - \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{\partial B_j} \omega$$

which proves the theorem.



**Corollary.** *If  $M$  is compact, then for any meromorphic 1-form  $\omega$ ,*

$$\sum_{p \in M} \text{res}_p \omega = 0.$$

**Corollary.** *Let  $M$  be RS and  $D \subset M$  be an open subset whose closure is compact and whose boundary is piecewise smooth. If  $f$  is meromorphic on  $M$  with no zeros or poles on  $\partial D$ , then*

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D} \frac{df}{f} = \sum_{x \in D} \text{ord}_x(f).$$

*Proof.* By applying the above theorem with  $\omega = df/f$ .

**Corollary.** *Let  $M$  be a compact RS and  $f$  be meromorphic on  $M$ , then*

$$\sum_{x \in M} \text{ord}_x(f) = 0.$$

## 2.6 Holomorphic mappings between Riemann Surfaces

A meromorphic function  $f$  on  $M$  can be viewed as a holomorphic mapping  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1$ . Thus, it is important to study the properties for general holomorphic mappings between RS.

Let  $X$  any  $Y$  be two RS. A continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called a *holomorphic map* (and we usually will not consider other maps between RS) if for each pair of charts  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}, \psi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ , the composition  $\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}$  is holomorphic.

**Theorem (Normal Form Theorem).** *Let  $F : X \rightarrow Y$  be a holomorphic map between two RSs, and  $x \in X$ . Then there exist two coordinate charts  $\phi_1 : U_1 \rightarrow V_1, \phi_2 : U_2 \rightarrow V_2$  at  $x$  and  $F(x)$  respectively and a unique integer  $m = m_x$  (which is called the multiplicity) such that  $\phi_1(x) = \phi_2(F(x)) = 0$  and*

$$\phi_2 \circ F \circ \phi_1^{-1}(z) = z^m.$$

*Proof.* Choose any pair of coordinate charts. After translation, we assume that  $\tilde{\phi}_1(x) = \phi_2(F(x)) = 0$ . Then  $\phi_2 \circ F \circ \tilde{\phi}_1^{-1}(\zeta) = \zeta^m e^{h(\zeta)}$ . Let  $\psi(\zeta) := \zeta e^{\frac{1}{m}h(\zeta)}$  which is locally 1-1. Let  $\phi_1 := \psi \circ \tilde{\phi}_1$ . This will serve our purpose.

**Definition.** (1) We call  $m := \text{Mult}_x(F)$  the multiplicity of  $F$  at  $x \in X$ .

(2) If  $\text{Mult}_x(F) \geq 2$ , we say that  $F$  is ramified at  $x$  and that  $x$  is a ramification point for  $F$ .

(3) If  $p \in X$  is a ramification point for  $F$ , we call  $F(p)$  a branch point of  $F$ .

### Degree of a holomorphic map.

**Theorem.** Let  $F : X \rightarrow Y$  be a holomorphic map between two connected compact R.Ss. Then

$$\deg(F) := \sum_{x \in F^{-1}(y)} \text{Mult}_x(F)$$

is independent of  $y$ .

### Riemann-Hurwitz Formula:

**Definition.** Let  $M$  be a compact RS (regarded as a manifold of real-dimension 2) with smooth boundary (possibly empty),

(1) A 0-simplex, or vertex, is a point. A 1-simplex, or edge, is a set homeomorphic to a closed interval. A 2-simplex, or face, is a set homeomorphic to the triangle  $\{(x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]; x + y \leq 1\}$ .

(2) A triangulation of  $M$  is a decomposition of  $M$  into faces, edges and vertices, such that the intersection of any two faces is a union of edges and the intersection of any two edges is a union of vertices.

(3) Let  $M$  have a triangulation with total number of faces equal to  $F$ , total number of edges equal to  $E$ , and total number of vertices equal to  $V$ . The number  $\chi(M) := F - E + V$  is independent of the choices of the triangulation, which is called the Euler characteristic of  $M$ .  $\chi(M) := 2 - 2g$  where  $g$  is called the genus of  $M$ .

**Theorem (Riemann-Hurwitz formula).**  $F : X \rightarrow Y$  be a holomorphic map between two connected compact R.Ss. Then

$$2g(X) - 2 = \deg(F)(2g(Y) - 2) + \sum_{x \in X} (\text{Mult}_x(f) - 1).$$

*Proof.* Let  $d = \deg(f)$ . Take a triangulation of  $Y$  such that every branch point is a vertex. (There may, of course, be other vertices). Suppose this triangulation has  $F$  faces,  $E$  edges,  $V_u$  unbranched vertices, and  $V_b$  branched vertices.

Since the preimage of every unbranched point has  $d$  points, we obtain a triangulation of  $X$  with  $dF$  faces,  $dE$  edges and  $W$  vertices. To express  $W$  in terms of  $V$  and  $f$ , we observe that if  $x \in X$  is a ramification point for  $f$ , then  $\text{Mult}_x(f)$ -many points are collapsed into one point, so that we have

$$W = dV - \sum_{y \in V_b} \sum_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \text{Mult}_x(f) - 1 = dV - \sum_{x \in X} (\text{Mult}_x(f) - 1).$$

The last equality follows because  $Mult_x(f) = 1$  for all unramified points  $x$ . This proves the theorem.

## 2.7 Automorphism groups of Complex Tori

Let  $M = \mathbf{C}/\Lambda$ , where  $\Lambda := \mathbf{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbf{Z}\omega_2$ , and  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbf{C}$  are  $\mathbf{R}$ -linear independent.

**Theorem.**  $f : \mathbf{C}/\Lambda_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}/\Lambda_2$  is a biholomorphic map if and only if there exists  $F(z) = az + b$  with  $a \neq 0$  such that  $F$  maps the equivalent classes w.r.t  $\Lambda_1$  to equivalent classes w.r.t.  $\Lambda_2$ .

The proof uses the lifting property (for universal coverings) from  $f : \mathbf{C}/\Lambda_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}/\Lambda_2$  to get  $F : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  and use the following result proved in last semester: If  $F \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{C})$  then  $F = az + b$ .

**Corollary.**  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda_1$  is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda_2$  iff there exists  $a \neq 0$  such that  $F(z) = az$  sends an equivalent class with respect to  $\Lambda_1$  to the equivalent class with respect to  $\Lambda_2$ .

Hence,

$$a \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix} = F \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$F^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \end{pmatrix} = B \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix} = F^{-1} \circ F \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix} = F^{-1} \left( A \begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = AF^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \end{pmatrix} = AB \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are real-linearly independent,  $AB = I$ . Hence  $\det(A)\det(B) = 1$ . Since entries of  $A$  and  $B$  are integers,  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ . Let  $\tau = \omega_1/\omega_2$ ,  $\tau' = \omega'_1/\omega'_2$ . Then we have

**Theorem.** Let  $\Lambda = \text{Span}_{\mathbf{Z}}\{1, \tau\}$ ,  $\Lambda' = \text{Span}_{\mathbf{Z}}\{1, \tau'\}$ , with  $\text{Im}\tau, \text{Im}\tau' > 0$ . Then  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda$  is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda'$  if and only if

$$\tau' = \frac{a_{11}\tau + a_{12}}{a_{21}\tau + a_{22}}, \quad (*)$$

where  $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22} \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} = 1$ .

We now introduce an equivalent relation as follows:  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda_1 \sim \mathbf{C}/\Lambda_2$  iff  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda_1$  is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{C}/\Lambda_2$ , and denote by  $\mathcal{A}_1$  the set of equivalent classes. So, from the theorem,  $\Lambda_1 = \{1, \tau\}$ ,  $\Lambda_2 = \{1, \tau'\}$ , then they belong to the same equivalent class if and only if (\*) is satisfied. To describe clearly about  $\mathcal{A}_1$ . W

consider  $H = \{\tau \in \mathbf{C} \mid \text{Im}(z) > 0\}$  the upper-half plane on  $\mathbf{C}$ . Then (\*) defines a map

$$\tau \mapsto \tau' = \frac{a_{11}\tau + a_{12}}{a_{21}\tau + a_{22}}, \quad a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} = 1.$$

The set of such transformation becomes a group, and is denoted by  $SL(2, \mathbf{Z})$  (called the modular group). We now define the [fundamental domain](#)  $D \subset H$  of the modular group as the subset such that (i) every  $\tau \in H$  is congruent to  $\tau' \in D \bmod SL(2, \mathbf{Z})$ , (ii) Any two distinct points in  $D$  are not congruent mod  $SL(2, \mathbf{Z})$ .

A modular function is a holomorphic function or a meromorphic function defined on  $H$  which is invariant under the action of the group  $SL(2, \mathbf{Z})$ .

## Chapter 3

# The Theory of Differential Forms

### 3.1 The DeRham Cohomology $H_{DR}^1(M)$ and Its Pairing with $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$ .

**Differential Forms on a Riemann surface  $M$ :** Recall that a 0-form on  $M$  is a function on  $M$ . A 1-form  $\omega$  is an (ordered) assignment, for every local coordinate  $(U, z_U)$ ,  $\omega = f_U dz_U + g_U d\bar{z}_U$ , where  $f_U$  and  $g_U$  are two (local) functions, and is invariant under coordinate change, i.e. and for every  $(U, z_U)$  and  $(W, z_W)$ , on  $U \cap W$ , we have  $\omega = f_U dz_U + g_U d\bar{z}_U = f_W dz_W + g_W d\bar{z}_W$ . A 2-form  $\Omega$  is an assignment, for every local coordinate  $(U, z_U)$ ,  $\Omega = f_U dz_U \wedge d\bar{z}_U$ , where  $f_U$  is a (local) function, and is invariant under coordinate change. Here we used the "exterior" multiplication of forms. This (wedge) multiplication satisfies the following:  $dz \wedge dz = 0$ ,  $dz \wedge d\bar{z} = -d\bar{z} \wedge dz$ ,  $d\bar{z} \wedge d\bar{z} = 0$ . If  $f$  is a  $C^1$  function on  $M$ , then  $df := \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z} = \partial f + \bar{\partial} f$  is a 1-form.  $d$  is called the exterior operator. The  $d\omega$  for any 1-form  $\omega$  is defined in a similar manner.

A 1-form  $\omega$  is said to be  $d$ -closed (or just closed) if  $d\omega = 0$ . It is said to be  $d$ -exact if  $\omega = df$  for some (global) smooth function  $f$  on  $M$ . Let  $\Lambda_1(M)$  be the set of smooth closed 1-form on  $M$ . Two elements  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Lambda_1(M)$  are said to be equivalent if  $\omega_1 - \omega_2$  is  $d$ -exact, i.e.  $\omega_1 - \omega_2 = df$  for some smooth function  $f$  on  $M$ . Denote by  $[\omega]$  the equivalent class of  $\omega$ . The (free abelian) group (or a vector space) of the collection of all such equivalent classes is called the *de Rham* cohomology, and is denoted by  $H_{DR}^1(M)$ , i.e.

$$H_{DR}^1(M) := \frac{\{\text{smooth closed 1-forms}\}}{\{\text{smooth exact 1-forms}\}}.$$

**Pairing of  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  and  $H_{DR}^1(M)$ :** Define

$$([\gamma], [\omega]) \in \pi_1(M) \times H_{DR}^1(M) \mapsto \int_{\gamma} \omega \in \mathbf{C},$$

where  $\pi_1(M)$  is the fundamental group of  $M$ . It is clear from the properties of integrals that the map is a homomorphism, and thus, since  $\mathbf{C}$  is an abelian group, the kernel of this map must contain the commutation subgroup of  $\pi_1(M)$ . Define the quotient group

$$H_1(M, \mathbf{Z}) := \pi_1(M) / [\pi_1(M), \pi_1(M)].$$

$H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  is called **the first homology group of the surface** (it is a free-abelian group).

The pairing is non-degenerate, i.e. it satisfies that if  $(\gamma, \omega) = 0$  for all closed  $\omega$ , then  $[\gamma] = 0$ , and if  $(\gamma, \omega) = 0 = 0$  for all  $[\gamma] \in H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$ , then  $\omega = 0$ . Thus  $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} H_{DR}^1(M) = \text{rank of } H_1(M, \mathbf{Z}) = 2g$ , where  $g$  is the genus of  $M$ .

**More information about  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  (topology of the RS):** Here is an **alternative definition of  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$** : Recall

**Definition.** Let  $M$  be a compact RS (regarded as a manifold of real-dimension 2).

(1) A 0-simplex, or vertex, is a point. A 1-simplex, or edge, is a set homeomorphic to a closed interval. A 2-simplex, or face, is a set homeomorphic to the triangle  $\{(x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]; x + y \leq 1\}$ .

(2) A triangulation of  $M$  is a decomposition of  $M$  into faces, edges and vertices, such that the intersection of any two faces is a union of edges and the intersection of any two edges is a union of vertices.

(3) Let  $M$  have a triangulation with total number of faces equal to  $F$ , total number of edges equal to  $E$ , and total number of vertices equal to  $V$ . The number  $\chi(M) := F - E + V$  is independent of the choices of the triangulation, which is called the Euler characteristic of  $M$ .  $\chi(M) := 2 - 2g$  where  $g$  is called the genus of  $M$ .

A  $n$ -chain is a finite combination of differential maps of a  $n$ -th dimensional simplex into  $M$ . A simplex carries an orientation: using this, we can define a boundary map  $\partial$  on chains: if e.g.  $(p_1, p_2, p_3)$  is the oriented triangle bounded by the oriented edges  $(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $(p_2, p_3)$  and  $(p_3, p_1)$ , then

$$\partial \langle p_1, p_2, p_3 \rangle = \langle p_2, p_3 \rangle - \langle p_1, p_3 \rangle + \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle.$$

here the minus sign denotes the reversal of orientations, thus  $-(p_1, p_3) = (p_3, p_1)$ . Similarly,

$$\delta \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle = p_2 - p_1.$$

Thus  $\partial$  defined on simplices can be extended by linearity to a boundary operator on chains of  $M$ , and satisfies

$$\partial^2 = 0.$$

A chain  $C$  is called a cycle if  $\partial C = 0$ , and is called a boundary if  $C' = \partial C$ . The  $j$ -th homology group of  $M$  with coefficients in  $\mathbf{Z}$  is defined as

$$H_j(M, \mathbf{Z}) := \frac{\{j\text{-dimensional cycles}\}}{\{j\text{-dimensional boundaries}\}}.$$

Observe that freely homotopic closed curves are homologous. Indeed, let  $\gamma_0 : S^1 \rightarrow M$  and  $\gamma_1 : S^1 \rightarrow M$  be two closed curves in  $M$  ( $S^1$  being interval  $[0, 1]$  with its end-points identified), and

$$H : S^1 \times [0, 1] \rightarrow M$$

is a homotopy between them (so that  $H(t, 0) = \gamma_0, H(t, 1) = \gamma_1$ ). Then  $\gamma_0 - \gamma_1 = \partial H(A)$ , so that  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1$  are homologous as asserted. The converse is however false in general: since homology groups are always abelian, any curves  $\gamma$  whose homotopy class of the form  $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$  ( $a, b, \in \pi_1(M, p_0)$ ) is always null-homologous, but not necessarily null-homotopic, since  $\pi_1(M, p_0)$  is not abelian if  $g \geq 2$ . By the theorem of van Hampen,

$$H_1(M, \mathbf{Z}) := \pi_1(M) / [\pi_1(M), \pi_1(M)].$$

### 3.2 The Canonical Basis for $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$ and $H_{RD}(M)$

According to the uniformization theorem, every compact orientable 2-real dimensional manifold is homeomorphic to  $g$ -torus ( $g$  is called the genus of  $M$ ) with  $g \geq 0$ . We wish now to use the standard presentation of a compact R.S. of genus  $g$ . For  $g = 0$ , it is homeomorphic to a sphere which is simply connected. For  $g > 0$ , there are  $2g$  closed curves which have a common starting and end point, which is denoted by  $p_0$ , say  $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, \dots, a_g, b_g$ , and  $M$  can be obtained from a  $4g$ -gon by identification of the edges defined by the word

$$a_1 b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} \dots a_g b_g a_g^{-1} b_g^{-1}.$$

With the common vertex of the sides as a base point  $p_0$ , one shows that  $\pi_1(M)$  is generated by the simple loops  $a_1, \dots, a_g$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_g$  corresponding to the edges  $x_i$  and  $y_i$ , subject to one relation

$$\prod_{i=1}^g a_i b_i a_i^{-1} b_i^{-1} = 1.$$

Hence the homology group  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  is free abelian group on the generators  $[a_j], [b_j], j = 1, \dots, g$ . In particular, we get

$$H_1(M, \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{Z}^{2g}.$$

Let  $a, b \in H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  represented by closed curves  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  respectively. Then the **intersection number** of  $a, b$  is defined as

$$a \cdot b := \int_{\gamma_1} \eta_{\gamma_2} \left( = \int_M \eta_{\gamma_1} \wedge \eta_{\gamma_2} = - \int_{\gamma_2} \eta_{\gamma_1} \right),$$

where  $\eta_\gamma$  is the **the one-form defined by a closed curve**  $\gamma$  which can be constructed as follows: Since  $\gamma$  is compact, we can find an annular region  $\Omega$  containing  $\gamma$  in its interior. Since  $\gamma$  is two sided ( $M$  is called orientable if all closed curves on  $M$  is two-sided),  $\Omega$  will be separated by  $\gamma$  into a left side  $\Omega^-$  (after an orientation of  $\gamma$  is given) and a right side  $\Omega^+$ . We choose another smaller region  $\Omega_0$  containing  $\gamma$  which is contained in the interior of  $\Omega$ . Let  $\Omega_0^-$  denote the region to the left of  $\gamma$  in  $\Omega_0$ . We now choose a real-valued  $C^\infty$  function on  $M \setminus \gamma$  such that

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & z \in \Omega_0^- \text{ and } z \in \gamma \\ 0 & z \in M \setminus \Omega^- \end{cases}$$

and define

$$\eta_\gamma(z) := \begin{cases} df(z) & z \in \Omega \setminus \gamma \\ 0 & z \in \gamma \text{ or } z \in M \setminus \Omega. \end{cases}$$

The form  $\eta_\gamma$  is obviously closed, smooth and with compact support, although the function  $f$  itself has a jump of height 1 across  $\gamma$ . Although  $\eta_\gamma$  is closed, it is not in general exact (it turns out that  $\eta_\gamma$  is exact if  $\gamma$  is homologous to a point). The form  $\eta_\gamma$  has the following important property:

**Claim:** If  $\omega \in L^2(M) \cap C^1$  is closed, then

$$\int_\gamma \omega = - \int_M \omega \wedge \eta_\gamma.$$

*Proof of the claim.* We compute, note that  $\eta_\gamma$  is real,

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_M \omega \wedge \eta_\gamma &= - \int_{\Omega^-} \omega \wedge df = \int_{\Omega^-} df \wedge \omega \\ &= \int_{\Omega^-} d(f\omega) - \int_{\Omega^-} f d\omega = \int_{\Omega^-} d(f\omega) = - \text{int}_{\partial\Omega^-} f\omega = \int_\gamma \omega. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $a \cdot b \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $a \cdot b = -b \cdot a$  and  $(a + b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c$ .

**Proposition.** *The intersection pairing satisfies the following properties.*

1. *The intersection  $a \cdot b$  depends only on the homology classes of  $a$  and  $b$ .*
2. *One has  $a \cdot b = -b \cdot a$ .*
3.  *$a \cdot b \in \mathbf{Z}$ . In case the intersection points of the curves  $a$  and  $b$  are transversal,  $a \cdot b$  is the (signed) number of intersection points.*



*Proof.* The first property has already been explained: integrals of a closed form along homotopic paths are the same. The second property results from the anticommutativity of the multiplication of one-forms.

The third property can be checked for simple closed curves since any piecewise smooth closed curve is a finite union of simple closed curves. In this case  $a \cdot b = \int_a \eta_b$  and we have to check that each intersection point of  $a$  with  $b$  contributes 1 or  $-1$ , depending on the orientation of the curves at the intersection point. Recall that  $\eta_b$  is defined as differential of a function  $f_b$  having a discontinuity along  $b$ . The function  $f_b$  is zero far away from  $b$ . Thus, the integral over  $a$  can be presented as a sum of the integrals over small segments of  $a_i$  of a containing the intersection points  $x_i$  of  $a$  with  $b$ . The integral  $\int_{a_i} \eta_b$  has been already calculated once. The result was 1 or  $-1$ . This finishes the proof.

From above, we know that the pairing so defined counts the number of times  $a$  intersects  $b$ . A basis  $\{a_1, \dots, a_g, b_1, \dots, b_g\}$  of  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$  is said to be a **canonical basis** if its intersection matrix looks like

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (*)$$

Let  $\omega_j = \eta_{b_j}$ ,  $\omega_{g+j} = -\eta_{a_j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, g$ . Then

$$\int_{\gamma_j} \omega_k = \delta_{jk}.$$

$\Psi([\omega_j]) = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ , where 1 is at the  $j$ -th place.  $\{\Psi([\omega_1]), \dots, \Psi([\omega_{2g}])\}$  is called the *canonical basis* for  $H_{DR}^1(M)$  (with respect to the  $\{a_1, \dots, a_g, b_1, \dots, b_g\}$ ).

### 3.3 The Hodge (theory) Decomposition

Though above pairing gives us a practical way of computing  $H_{DR}^1(M)$  (i.e.  $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} H_{DR}^1(M) = 2g$ ), it would be more convenient for computational purpose if a cohomology class is represented by a *unique* differential form rather than an equivalence class of differential forms. The Hodge theorem states that such is case: every equivalence class of differential forms is uniquely represented by the *harmonic* differential form (which is unique).

A 1-form  $\omega \in C^1$  is called a *harmonic form* if locally we can write  $\omega = df$  where  $f$  is harmonic. A 1-form  $\omega \in C^1$  is called a *harmonic form* if locally we can write  $\omega = df$  where  $f$  is harmonic. To further study harmonic forms, we introduce the star-operator: for any 1-form  $\omega = fdz + gd\bar{z}$ ,  $\star\omega := -ifdz + igd\bar{z}$  (note that if  $\omega = fdx + gdy$ , then  $\star\omega = -gdx + fdy$ ). Remark: We only defined the star-operator here for 1-forms since the star operator is independent of the metric only for 1-forms on Riemann Surface. In general, we need a metric  $\lambda^2 dz d\bar{z}$  on  $M$  (it always exists) and define, for any 0-form  $f$ ,  $\star f := f \frac{i}{2} \lambda^2 dz \wedge d\bar{z}$

(here  $\frac{i}{2}\lambda^2 dz \wedge d\bar{z}$  is called the Kahler (metric) form associated to the metric), and define, for any two form  $\eta = h(z)\frac{i}{2}dz \wedge d\bar{z}$ ,  $\star\eta(z) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}h(z)$ . So in general, the star operator depends on the metric. The Laplace operator is  $\Delta := 2i\partial\bar{\partial}$ . It is easy to check that  $\Delta = d\star d$ .

A 1-form  $\omega$  is harmonic if and only if  $\omega$  is closed and is co-closed, i.e.  $d\omega = 0$  and  $d(\star\omega) = 0$ . To see its proof. Obviously,  $d\omega = 0$  is obvious since locally  $\omega = df$ . Moreover, since  $\Delta = d\star d$  and  $f$  is harmonic, we see that  $\omega$  is also co-closed.

### Hilbert Space Theory:

**Weyl's Lemma.** *Let  $D(0, R) = \{z \in \mathbf{C} \mid |z| < R\}$ . Then  $\phi \in L^2(D)$  is a harmonic function if and only if*

$$\int_D \phi \Delta \eta = 0, \quad \forall \eta \in C_0^\infty(D).$$

*Proof of the Weyl Lemma.* For any given  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose a real-valued  $C^\infty$  function  $\rho(r)$ ,  $r \in [0, +\infty)$  such that  $\rho_\epsilon(r) \equiv 1$  for  $r \in [0, \epsilon/2)$ ,  $\rho_\epsilon(r) \equiv 0$  for  $r \in (\epsilon, \infty)$ , and  $0 \leq \rho_\epsilon(r) \leq 1$  on  $[\epsilon/2, \epsilon]$ . Let

$$\Omega_\epsilon(r) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \rho_\epsilon(r) \log r.$$

For any function  $\mu \in C_0^\infty(D)$ , consider the function

$$\eta_\epsilon(\xi) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \zeta|) \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

When  $\epsilon$  is small enough,  $\eta_\epsilon$  has compact support. On the other hand, we can write it as

$$\eta_\epsilon(\xi) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z|) \mu(z + \xi) dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

Hence  $\eta_\epsilon$  is smooth, and

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{\xi}} \eta_\epsilon(\xi) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|) \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \eta_\epsilon(\xi) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

We claim that

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi \partial \bar{\xi}} \eta_\epsilon(\xi) = -\mu(\xi) + \int_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi \partial \bar{\xi}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|) \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

To prove the claim, fix  $\xi_0 \in D$ , and write

$$\eta_\epsilon(\xi) \equiv f(\xi) + g(\xi),$$

where  $\xi$  satisfies  $|\xi - \xi_0| < \epsilon/4$  and

$$f(\xi) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{|z-\xi_0| < \epsilon/4} \mu(z) \ln |z - \xi| dz \wedge d\bar{z}$$

$$g(\xi) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{|z-\xi_0| > \epsilon/4} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \zeta|) \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

It is easy to check that

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \bar{\xi}} = -\mu(\xi).$$

When  $|\xi - \xi_0| < \epsilon/4$  and  $|z - \xi_0| < \epsilon/4$ ,  $|\xi - z| < \epsilon/2$ . Hence  $\Omega_\epsilon(|z - \zeta|) = \ln |z - \xi|$  ( $z \neq \xi$ ), and is harmonic in  $\xi$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial \bar{\xi}} &= \int_{|z-\xi_0| > \epsilon/4} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{\xi}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \zeta|) \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z} \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{\xi}} \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \zeta|) \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the claim. Assuming the claim holds, then, using  $\eta = \eta_\epsilon$  the assumption gets

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_D \phi \Delta \eta_\epsilon \\ &= - \int_D \mu(\xi) \phi(\xi) d\xi \wedge d\bar{\xi} + \int_D \phi(\xi) d\xi \wedge d\bar{\xi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|)}{\partial \xi \partial \bar{\xi}} \mu(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z} \\ &= - \int_{\mathbf{C}} \mu(\xi) \left[ \phi(\xi) - \int_D \phi(z) \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|)}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} dz \wedge d\bar{z} \right] d\xi \wedge d\bar{\xi}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mu$  is arbitrary, we get

$$\phi(\xi) = \int_D \phi(z) \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|)}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

When  $|\xi - z| < \epsilon/2$ ,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|)}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = 0,$$

hence

$$\phi(\xi) = \int_{D \setminus \Delta_{\epsilon/2}} \phi(z) \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_\epsilon(|z - \xi|)}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} dz \wedge d\bar{z}.$$

Thus  $\phi(\xi)$  is smooth. We have proved, in the remark, that if  $\phi$  is  $C^2$ , then it is harmonic. This finishes the proof.

We use the Hilbert space theory to decompose the space of square integrable 1-forms (which is a Hilbert space) into closed subspaces. The basic tool is the above Weyl's lemma. A measurable 1-form is called square-integrable if

$$\|\omega\|^2 := \int_M \omega \wedge \star \bar{\omega} < +\infty.$$

Let  $L^2(M)$  be the Hilbert space of all square-integrable 1-forms. On  $L^2(M)$ , we introduce an inner product

$$(\omega_1, \omega_2) := \int_M \omega_1 \wedge \star \bar{\omega}_2.$$

$L^2(M)$  becomes an Hilbert space under this inner product. Let  $E$  be the closure in  $L^2(M)$  of the set  $\{df \mid f \in C_0^\infty(M)\}$ , and  $E^*$  be the closure in  $L^2(M)$  of the set  $\{\star df \mid f \in C_0^\infty(M)\}$ . We have

$$L^2(M) = E \oplus E^\perp, \quad L^2(M) = E^* \oplus E^{*\perp}.$$

It is not hard to verify that

$$E^\perp = \{\omega \in L^2(M) \mid (\omega, df) = 0, \quad f \in C_0^\infty(M)\},$$

$$E^{*\perp} = \{\omega \in L^2(M) \mid (\omega, \star df) = 0, \quad f \in C_0^\infty(M)\},$$

**Theorem.** *Let  $\omega \in L^2(M) \cap C^1(M)$ . Then*

(i)  $\omega \in E^{*\perp}$  if and only if  $\omega$  is closed.

(ii)  $\omega \in E^\perp$  if and only if  $\omega$  is co-closed.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\omega$  is closed. Let  $f$  be a smooth function on  $M$  with support inside  $D$  ( $D$  is compact). Then, using  $d\omega = 0$ ,

$$(\omega, \star df) = - \int_D \omega \wedge d\bar{f} = - \int_D [d(\omega\bar{f}) - \bar{f}d\omega] = - \int_D d(\omega\bar{f}) = - \int_{\partial D} (\omega\bar{f}) = 0$$

where the last equality holds because  $f$  has compact support. Thus  $\omega \in E^{*\perp}$ . Conversely, we start from the third equality, and using  $-\int_D d(\omega\bar{f}) = 0$ , we get

$$\int_M \bar{f}d\omega = 0$$

for all smooth  $f$  on  $M$  with compact support it suffices to conclude that  $d\omega = 0$ . So  $\omega$  is closed. This proves (i). The proof of (ii) is similar.

**Corollary.** *If  $\omega$  is  $C^1$ , then  $\omega$  is harmonic if and only if  $\omega \in E^\perp \cap E^{*\perp}$ .*

The Weyl lemma allows to remove the condition of "smoothness" in above, i.e. we have the following most important result about  $L^2(M)$ .

**Theorem.**  $E^\perp \cap E^{*\perp} = H$ , where  $H$  is the set of harmonic forms (note, the definition of harmonic form requires  $C^1$ ).

*Proof.* If  $\omega \in H$ , then  $\omega$  is smooth, closed, and co-closed, so from the theorem above,  $\omega \in E^\perp \cap E^{*\perp}$ .

For the converse, let  $\omega \in E^\perp \cap E^{*\perp}$ . Choose a coordinate chart  $(U, \phi)$  on  $M$  and write locally  $\omega = u(z)dz + v(z)d\bar{z}$ . Consider a (any) smooth function on  $M$  with compact support in  $U$  with local expression  $\eta = \eta(z)$ . Let  $f = \partial\bar{\eta}/\partial z$ . Then from  $0 = (\omega, df) = (\omega, \star df)$ , we get  $(\omega, \star df + idf) = 0$ , i.e.

$$-\int_{\phi(U)} (u(z)dz + v(z)d\bar{z}) \wedge \eta_{z\bar{z}} dz = \int_{\phi(U)} v\eta_{z\bar{z}} dz \wedge d\bar{z} = 0.$$

By Weyl's theorem,  $v$  is harmonic on  $\phi(U)$  hence is smooth. Applying this result to  $\star\omega$  we see that  $u$  is also smooth. Hence  $\omega$  is smooth. This finishes the proof.

From the definition,  $E \subset E^{*\perp}$  and  $E^* \subset E^\perp$ . Thus elements in  $E$  and  $E^*$  are always orthogonal to each other. It then follows that the direct sum  $(E^\perp \oplus E^*)^\perp$  is a closed, and therefore Thus

$$L^2(M) = E \oplus E^* \oplus (E \oplus E^*)^\perp.$$

It is easy to check that  $(E \oplus E^*)^\perp = E^\perp \cap E^{*\perp}$ . This proves

**Theorem (Orthogonal Decomposition).**

$$L^2(M) = E \oplus E^* \oplus H$$

where  $H$  is the set of all harmonic 1-forms.

**The decomposition theorem for smooth differential forms:** From above, for  $\omega \in L^2(M) = E \oplus E^* \oplus H$ , so every  $\omega \in L^2(M)$ ,  $\omega = \alpha + \beta + h$ ,  $\alpha \in E, \beta \in E^*, h \in H$ . However, we need more information about  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

**Lemma.** If  $\omega \in E \cap C^1$ , then  $\omega$  is exact. If  $\omega \in E^* \cap C^1$ , then  $\omega$  is co-exact.

*Proof.* To prove  $\omega$  is exact, it suffices to show that  $\int_\gamma \omega = 0$ . Let  $\eta_\gamma$  be the 1-form constructed earlier. We now prove

**Claim** (this is similar to the Riesz's representation theorem!): If  $\omega \in L^2(M) \cap C^1$  is closed, then

$$\int_\gamma \omega = (\omega, \star\eta_\gamma).$$

*Proof of the claim.* We compute, note that  $\eta_\gamma$  is real,

$$\begin{aligned} (\omega, \star\eta_\gamma) &= - \int_M \omega \wedge \eta_\gamma = - \int_{\Omega^-} \omega \wedge df = \int_{\Omega^-} df \wedge \omega \\ &= \int_{\Omega^-} d(f\omega) - \int_{\Omega^-} f d\omega = \int_{\Omega^-} d(f\omega) = \int_{\partial\Omega^-} f\omega = \int_\gamma \omega. \end{aligned}$$

We now prove the lemma: From the assumption that  $\omega \in E \cap C^1$ , so  $\omega \in E^{\star\perp}$ . Notice that  $\eta_\gamma$  has compact support, we can prove that  $(\omega, \star\eta_\gamma) = 0$ . From the claim above, we have that  $\int_\gamma \omega = 0$ . Hence  $\omega$  is exact. This finishes the proof of the lemma.

**Theorem (Hodge Decomposition theorem for smooth forms).** *Let  $\omega \in L^2(M) \cap C^1(M)$ , then there exists  $C^2$  functions  $f$  and  $g$  such that*

$$\omega = df + \star dg + h, \quad df \in E, \star dg \in E^*, h \in H.$$

*Proof.* Write

$$\omega = \alpha + \beta + h$$

with  $\alpha \in E, \beta \in E^*, h \in H$ . According to the result above, we only need to prove that  $\alpha, \beta$  are  $C^1$ .

For any point  $p_0 \in M$ , take a coordinate chart  $(U, \phi)$  with  $p_0 \in U$ . WLOG, assume that  $\phi(U)$  is the unit disk  $D(0, 1)$  and  $\phi(p_0) = 0$ . Write locally  $\omega = p dx + q dy$  (with  $z = x + iy$ ). Let

$$G(z) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{D(0,1)} (p_\xi + q_\eta) \ln |\zeta - z| d\xi \wedge d\eta \quad (\zeta = \xi + i\eta).$$

Then it is easy to see that  $G(z)$  is the solution of the equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = p_x + q_y$$

on the unit disk  $D(0, 1)$ . Hence

$$d \star dG = 4 \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} dx \wedge dy = 4(p_x + q_y) dx \wedge dy = d \star \omega.$$

Thus  $d \star (\omega - dG) = 0$ , i.e.  $\omega - dG$  is co-closed. Hence, from the theorem above,  $(\omega - dG) \perp E(U)$ , where  $E(U) = \text{closure of } \{df, f \in C_0^\infty\}$ . From the decomposition theorem of  $L^2(M)$  above,

$$\omega - dG = \beta' + h',$$

with  $\beta' \in E^*(U)$ , where  $E^*(U) = \text{closure of } \{\star df, f \in C_0^\infty\}$ , and  $h'$  is harmonic on  $U$  (hence smooth). From the smoothness of  $\omega, dG$  and  $h'$ , we conclude that

$\beta'$  is smooth. Then, from  $\omega = \alpha + \beta + h$ , we get  $\beta - \beta' = dG - \alpha + h' - h$ . Notice that  $\alpha \perp E^*(U)$  and  $dG \perp E^*(U)$ , we know that  $\beta - \beta' \perp E^*(U)$ . On the other hand,  $\beta - \beta' \perp E(U)$ . Hence  $\beta - \beta' \in H$ . Thus it is smooth. This implies that  $\beta$  is smooth. The similar argument also implies that  $\alpha$  is smooth. This finishes the proof.

Hodge Theory: From the decomposition theorem,  $H_{DR}^1(M) \cong H$ , where  $H$  is the set of harmonic 1-forms on  $M$ . To see it, for every smooth closed 1-form  $\omega$ , from the theorem we proved,  $\omega \in E^{*\perp}$ . Hence, from the Hodge decomposition theorem,  $\omega = df + h$ . Thus  $\omega$  and  $h$  belong to the same class. The map  $\omega \mapsto h$  gives the isomorphism.

### 3.4 The Space of Holomorphic (meromorphic) 1-Forms

The principal question above the manifold is the existence of global objects. On the smooth category, one can always piece the local objects together by using the cut-off function to get a global one. However, it is hard to do it in the holomorphic category (since the cut-off functions are only smooth). From the maximal principle, every holomorphic map on a compact RS must be constant. As a result, meromorphic functions on a compact RS, or holomorphic (meromorphic) 1-forms are more interesting. The study of holomorphic form (resp. meromorphic) is THROUGH the study of harmonic 1-forms (with the Hodge Theory).

A 1-form  $\omega$  is called a *holomorphic form* (resp. meromorphic) if locally  $\omega = fdz$  where  $f$  is holomorphic (resp. meromorphic). A meromorphic 1-form is also called a *abel form*. Note that two meromorphic 1-forms  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  produces a global meromorphic function  $\omega_1/\omega_2$  on  $M$ . Denote by  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$  the space of holomorphic 1-forms on  $M$ .

The operator  $\alpha \mapsto \frac{1}{2}(\alpha + i \star \alpha)$  transforms any harmonic form into a holomorphic form and acts identically on holomorphic forms. Its kernel consists of antiholomorphic forms since if  $\alpha + i \star \alpha = 0$ , one has  $\bar{\alpha} - i \star \bar{\alpha} = 0$  which means that  $\bar{\alpha}$  is holomorphic. This proves the following

**Theorem.** *One has a canonical decomposition*

$$H = H^0(M, \Omega^1) \oplus \overline{H^0(M, \Omega^1)}.$$

In particular  $\dim H^0(M, \Omega^1) = g$ .

**Canonical basis for  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ :** Let  $a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g$  be a canonical homology basis for  $M$  (i.e. for  $H_1(M, \mathbf{Z})$ ). Let  $\omega \in H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ , the numbers  $A_1 :=$

$\int_{a_1} \omega, \dots, A_g := \int_{a_g} \omega$  (respectively  $B_1 := \int_{b_1} \omega, \dots, B_g := \int_{b_g} \omega$ ) are called the  $a$ -periods (resp.  $b$ -periods) of  $\omega$ . Then

$$\omega - \sum_{j=1}^g (A_j \alpha_j + B_j \beta_j)$$

has zero  $a$ -periods and  $b$ -periods. Thus  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^g (A_j \alpha_j + B_j \beta_j) + df$  for some  $f \in C^2$ .

**Proposition (Bilinear relation).** *Let  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  be two smooth closed one-forms on  $M$ . Then*

$$\int_M \omega \wedge \tilde{\omega} = \sum_{j=1}^g \left( \int_{a_j} \omega \int_{b_j} \tilde{\omega} - \int_{a_j} \tilde{\omega} \int_{b_j} \omega \right).$$

*Proof.* From the above discuss, we have

$$\omega = \sum_{j=1}^g (A_j \alpha_j + B_j \beta_j) + df,$$

$$\tilde{\omega} = \sum_{j=1}^g (\tilde{A}_j \alpha_j + \tilde{B}_j \beta_j) + d\tilde{f}$$

where  $A_1, \dots, A_g$  (resp.  $\tilde{A}_1, \dots, \tilde{A}_g$ ) are the  $a$ -periods of  $\omega$  (resp.  $\tilde{\omega}$ ), and  $B_1, \dots, B_g$  (resp.  $\tilde{B}_1, \dots, \tilde{B}_g$ ) are the  $b$ -periods of  $\omega$  (resp.  $\tilde{\omega}$ ). Using the fact that  $M$  is compact, from Stoke's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_M \omega \wedge \tilde{\omega} &= \int_M (\omega - df) \wedge (\tilde{\omega} - d\tilde{f}) \\ &= \int_M (A_j \alpha_j + B_j \beta_j) \wedge (\tilde{A}_j \alpha_j + \tilde{B}_j \beta_j). \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that

$$\int_M \alpha_j \wedge \beta_k = \int_{b_j} \beta_k = \int_{a_k} \alpha_j$$

and

$$\int_{a_j} \alpha_k = \int_{b_j} \beta_k = \delta_{jk}$$

it is easy to get the conclusion.

**Corollary.** *If  $\omega$  is a holomorphic 1-form, and its  $a$ -periods are zero, then  $\omega = 0$ .*

*Proof.* From above, we have  $\|\omega\|^2 = 0$ . Hence  $\omega = 0$ .



**Lemma.** Let  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_g$  be a basis of  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ . Then its  $a$ -period of matrix

$$(a_{ij})_{g \times g} = \left( \int_{a_i} \phi_j \right)_{g \times g}$$

is of maximal rank.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\sum_{j=1}^g \lambda_j a_{kj} = 0$  for  $k = 1, \dots, g$ . Let  $\phi = \sum_{j=1}^g \lambda_j \phi_j$ . Then the  $a$ -periods of  $\phi$  is zero, thus, from the corollary above,  $\phi = 0$ . Hence, from the assumption that  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_g$  be a basis of  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ , we conclude that  $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_g = 0$ . Thus the row vectors of the matrix are linear independent. This proves the lemma.

From the above the lemma, the matrix  $A := (a_{ij})_{g \times g}$  is invertible, so there exists a matrix  $C$  such that  $AC = I$ . Thus there is a (new) basis of  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ , say  $\psi_1, \dots, \psi_g$  whose  $a$ -period matrix in  $I$ , the identical matrix, we call such basis a **canonical basis** for  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ .

### 3.5 Bilinear Relation for Meromorphic 1-Forms

From the bilinear relation above, we have, for any two holomorphic 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$ , we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^g \left( \int_{a_j} \omega \int_{b_j} \tilde{\omega} - \int_{a_j} \tilde{\omega} \int_{b_j} \omega \right) = \int_M \omega \wedge \tilde{\omega} = 0.$$

Now we want to extend this relation to meromorphic differential forms.

**Theorem.** Let  $\omega$  be a holomorphic 1-form and  $\tilde{\omega}$  be a meromorphic 1-form which has only one pole at  $p \in M$  with residue zero. Assume that locally

$$\omega = (a_0 + a_1 z + \dots) dz$$

$$\tilde{\omega} = \left( \frac{c_m}{z^m} + \dots + \frac{c_{-2}}{z^2} + c_0 + c_1 z + \dots \right) dz.$$

Then

$$\sum_{j=1}^g \left( \int_{a_j} \omega \int_{b_j} \tilde{\omega} - \int_{b_j} \omega \int_{a_j} \tilde{\omega} \right) = 2\pi i \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{c_{-n} a_{n-2}}{n-1}.$$

**Note:** The theorem is a key to the proof of Riemann-Roch theorem.

*Proof.* Note that  $M_0 := M \setminus \{a_1, \dots, a_g, b_1, \dots, b_g\}$  is simply connected, so there exist smooth function  $f$  (defined as  $f(p) = \int_{p_0}^p \omega$  for  $p \in M_0$ ) such that  $\omega = df$ . Note that  $f$  can be extended to the boundary, but  $f$  may not have the same values on the boundary.

We first claim that

$$\int_{\partial M_0} f\tilde{\omega} = \sum_{j=1}^g \left( \int_{a_i} \omega \int_{b_i} \tilde{\omega} - \int_{b_i} \omega \int_{a_i} \tilde{\omega} \right).$$

To prove the claim, notice that for any  $z \in a_i$ , let  $z' \in a_i^{-1}$  be the point which is equivalent to  $z$ , then

$$f(z') - f(z) = \int_z^{z'} \omega = \int_z^{p_0} \omega + \int_{b_i} \omega + \int_{p_0}^{z'} \omega = \int_{b_i} \omega,$$

since  $z'$  is equivalent to  $z$  and  $\omega$  has the same value at the equivalent points. Hence

$$f(z') - f(z) = \int_{b_i} \omega.$$

Therefore, since  $\tilde{\omega}$  has the same value at the equivalent points,

$$\int_{a_i} f\tilde{\omega} + \int_{a_i^{-1}} f\tilde{\omega} = \int_{a_i} (f(z) - f(z'))\tilde{\omega} = - \int_{b_i} \omega \int_{a_i} \tilde{\omega}$$

where  $z' \in a_i^{-1}$  is the point which is equivalent to  $z \in a_i$ . Similarly,

$$\int_{b_i} f\tilde{\omega} + \int_{b_i^{-1}} f\tilde{\omega} = \int_{a_i} \omega \int_{b_i} \tilde{\omega}.$$

Thus,

$$\int_{\partial M_0} f\tilde{\omega} = \sum_{j=1}^g \left( \int_{a_i} \omega \int_{b_i} \tilde{\omega} - \int_{b_i} \omega \int_{a_i} \tilde{\omega} \right)$$

which proves the claim. On the other hand, we have the residue formula,

$$\int_{\partial M_0} f\tilde{\omega} = 2\pi i \sum \text{Res}(f \cdot \tilde{\omega}).$$

Now locally at  $p$ ,  $\omega = (a_0 + a_1z + \cdots)dz$ , so  $f(z) = \int_0^z \omega = a_0z + \frac{1}{2}a_1z^2 + \cdots$ , and

$$\tilde{\omega} = \left( \frac{c_m}{z^m} + \cdots + \frac{c_{-2}}{z^2} + c_0 + c_1z + \cdots \right) dz,$$

Hence we have

$$\sum \text{Res}(f \cdot \tilde{\omega}) = \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{c_{-n}a_{n-2}}{n-1}.$$

This proves the theorem.

## Chapter 4

# Riemann-Roch Theorem and its Consequences

### 4.1 Divisors

A divisor  $D$  on a Riemann surface  $M$  is a locally finite subset  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, \dots\}$  of distinct points of  $M$  (it is useful to note that locally finite is not the same as isolated), together with a collection of integers  $m_1, m_2, \dots$  with  $m_i$  associated to  $p_j$ . The notation is

$$D = \sum_j m_j p_j.$$

The set of points  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, \dots\}$  is called the support of  $D$ . When the support of  $D$  is finite, the number

$$\deg(D) := \sum_j m_j$$

is called the degree of  $D$ . For example, Let  $f$  be a meromorphic function on  $M$ . Then we have a divisor

$$(f) := \sum_{p \in M} \text{ord}_p(f) p,$$

where  $\text{ord}_p(f) = k$  is  $p$  is a zero of  $f$  with order  $k$ , and  $\text{ord}_p(f) = -k$  is  $p$  is a pole of  $f$  of order  $k$ . From the theorem proved earlier, if  $M$  is compact, then  $\deg(f) = 0$ .

**Example:** Let  $M = S^2 = \mathbf{P}^1$ . Let  $f([1 : z]) = z, f([0 : 1]) = \infty$ . Then  $(f) = [1 : 0] - [0 : 1]$ .

We say that  $D$  is effective if  $m_j \geq 0$  for all  $j$ . Given two divisors  $D_1, D_2$ , we say that  $D_1 \geq D_2$  if  $D_1 - D_2$  is effective. The collection of divisors on  $M$  is denoted by  $\text{Div}(M)$ . It forms a group, so it is called the divisor group of  $M$ .

The purpose of introducing the concept of divisors is to study the meromorphic functions and meromorphic 1-forms. Given a divisor  $D$ , if  $D = (f)$  for

some meromorphic function  $f$  on  $M$ . We call such divisor a principal divisor. Two divisors  $D_1, D_2$  are called linearly equivalent (denoted by  $D_1 \cong D_2$ ) if  $D_1 - D_2 = (f)$  for some meromorphic function  $f$  on  $M$ . The quotient group  $\mathcal{D} := Div(M)/\sim$  is called the divisor class group.

Similarly, for a meromorphic 1-form  $\omega$ , we can define

$$(\omega) := \sum_{p \in M} ord_p(\omega)p.$$

Such divisors are called canonical divisors. Denote by  $K$  a canonical divisor. For any two meromorphic 1-forms  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , the ration  $\omega_1/\omega_2$  is a meromorphic function on  $M$ . So  $(\omega_1)$  and  $(\omega_2)$  are always linearly equivalent (they belong to the same equivalent class).

Let  $D$  be a divisor, we define *the space of meromorphic functions with poles bounded by  $D$*  by

$$L(D) := \{f \mid f \text{ is a meromorphic function on } M, \text{ either } f \equiv 0 \text{ or } (f) + D \geq 0\}.$$

For example, if  $D = 5p - q$ , then  $f \in L(D)$  means that  $f$  is meromorphic which has exactly one pole  $p$  with  $|ord_p(f)| \leq 5$  and has exactly one zero at  $q$  with  $ord_q(f) \geq 1$ . The reason for the terminology is that following: For  $D = \sum n_p p$ , then  $f \in L(D)$  means that  $ord_p(f) \geq -n_p$ . If  $n_p > 0$ , it means that  $f$  may have a pole of order  $n_p$ , but no worse. Similarly, if  $n_p < 0$ , then it means that  $f$  has a zero of order at least  $(-n_p)$  at  $p$ . So either poles are being allowed (to specified order and no worse) or zeros being required (to at least some specified order), at the support of  $D$ . Another way to say the above definition is to use Laurent series. For any point  $p$ , choose a local coordinate  $z$  centered at  $p$ . Then  $f \in L(D)$  is equivalent to saying that at all point  $p \in Supp(D)$ , the local Laurent series of  $f$  has no terms lower than  $z^{-n_p}$ .

Let

$$h^0(D) := \dim L(D).$$

We define

$$\Omega(D) := \{\omega \mid \omega \text{ is a meromorphic 1-form on } M, (\omega) - D \geq 0\}.$$

Write  $i(D) = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \Omega(D)$ . Note that if  $D_1 \cong D_2$ , then  $h(D_1) = h(D_2)$  and  $i(D_1) = i(D_2)$ . It is also easy to see that  $i(D) = h^0(K - D)$  by, for fixed  $\omega$ , the map  $\eta \mapsto \frac{\eta}{\omega}$ .

**Lemma.** *Let  $D$  be a divisor with  $\deg D < 0$ . Then  $h^0(D) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* For an  $f \neq 0$  in  $L(D)$ , we would have  $(f) \geq -(D)$ . Then  $0 = \deg(f) \geq -\deg D > 0$  which is impossible. This proves the lemma.

## 4.2 The Riemann-Roch Theorem

**Theorem (Riemann-Roch).** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ . Let  $D$  be a divisor on  $M$ . Then*

$$h^0(D) = \deg D - g + 1 + h^0(K - D) = \deg D - g + 1 + i(D).$$

**Corollary 1.**  $\deg(K) = 2g - 2$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface. Then  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ , the set of meromorphic functions on  $M$ , has infinite dimension as a complex vector space.*

*Proof.* Let  $l > 0$  be any positive integer and fix  $p \in M$ . From RR,

$$h^0(l(p)) = l - g + 1 + i(D) \geq l - g.$$

Taking  $l \rightarrow +\infty$ , we get that the set of meromorphic functions on  $M$ , has infinite.

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface with  $\text{genus}(M) > 0$ . Then, for every point  $p \in M$ , there exists a holomorphic 1-form  $\omega$  with  $\omega(p) \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Assume the statement is false, then there is some  $p \in M$  such that every  $\omega \in H^0(M, \Omega^1)$  satisfies  $\omega(p) = 0$ . Thus  $H^0(M, \Omega^1) \subset \Omega((p))$ , i.e.  $i((p)) = h^0(K - (p)) \geq \dim H^0(M, \Omega^1) = g$ . Thus, from RR,  $h^0(p) \geq 1 - g + 1 + g = 2$ . This means that there is a meromorphic function on  $M$  which has only  $p$  as its pole. This function would give a biholomorphic map  $M$  into  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$ , contradiction with the assumption that  $g > 0$ .

## 4.3 The Proof of Riemann-Roch Theorem:

The proof of the Riemann-Roch Theorem depends decisively on the following existence theorem.

**Theorem (Existence).** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface. Let  $z_1, \dots, z_n \in M$ . Suppose a local chart has been chosen around each  $z_j$ . Then for any  $t_1, \dots, t_n \in \mathbf{C}$ , there exists a unique meromorphic 1-form  $\tau_t$  on  $M$  ( $t = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$ ) with the following properties:*

(i)  $\tau_t$  is holomorphic on  $M \setminus \cup_{\nu=1}^n \{z_\nu\}$ .

(ii) For each  $\nu$ ,

$$\tau_t(z) = (t_\nu z^{-2} + \text{terms of order } \geq 0) dz$$

near  $z_\nu$ , where  $z$  is a local coordinate at  $z_\nu$  with  $z(z_\nu) = 0$ ;

(iii)

$$\int_{a_i} \tau_t = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, g$$

where  $a_1, \dots, a_g, b_1, \dots, b_g$  being usual a canonical homology basis for  $M$ .

*Proof.* Consider  $z_\nu \in U_0 \subset U_1 \subset M$ . Take  $\rho \in C^\infty(M)$  with  $\rho = 1$  on  $U_0$  and  $\rho = 0$  on  $M \setminus U_1$ . Let  $z$  be a local coordinate in  $U_1$  with  $z(z_\nu) = 0$ . Let

$$\theta := \left( -\frac{\rho t_\nu}{z} \right)$$

and  $\psi := d\theta$ . Notice that

$$\psi := d \left( -\frac{\rho t_\nu}{z} \right) = t_\nu \left( -\frac{\rho z}{z} + \frac{\rho}{z^2} \right) dz - t_\nu \frac{\rho \bar{z}}{z} d\bar{z}.$$

The  $(0,1)$ -part of  $\psi$  is smooth on  $M$  (so  $\psi - i \star \psi$  is smooth on  $M$ ), thus  $\psi - i \star \psi = df + \star dg + h$  with  $h$  harmonic. Consider  $\alpha_\nu := \psi - df = dw - df = \star dg + i \star dw + h$ . This means that it is closed and c-closed on  $M \setminus \{z_\tau\}$ . Hence it is harmonic on  $M \setminus \{z_\tau\}$ . Thus

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^n (\alpha_\nu + i \star \alpha_\nu)$$

satisfy the first two conditions of the lemma. Clearly two such forms differ only by a holomorphic form, and it follows that periods along  $a_1, \dots, a_g$  can be made to vanish by using the canonical basis for  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ . Conversely the form is uniquely determined (the uniqueness comes from the fact that any holomorphic 1-form whose  $a$ -periods vanish must be indentially zero). This finishes the proof of the existence theorem.

We now prove the Riemann-Roch theorem.

We first prove that case that  $D$  is effective (if  $D$  is trivial then there is nothing to prove), i.e.  $D = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j p_j$  with  $\alpha_j > 0$ . For simplicity of notation, we assume that  $D = \sum_{\nu=1}^n z_\nu$ . Consider  $V$ , the subspace of meromorphic 1-forms on  $M$ , which is given by

$$V = \{\omega \mid (\omega) + 2D \geq 0, \omega \text{ has zero periods and residues}\}$$

and the map

$$d : L(D) \rightarrow V, \text{ by } f \mapsto df.$$

Note that if  $\omega \in V$ , then

$$f(z) := \int_{z_0}^z \omega \quad (z_0 \in M \text{ is fixed})$$

is well-defined, and  $f \in L(D)$ , so this map is onto. Clearly  $df = df'$  if and only if  $f$  and  $f'$  differ by an additive constant, hence the kernel of the map is  $\mathbf{C}$ . Therefore we have

$$h^0(D) = \dim_{\mathbf{C}} V + 1.$$

To compute  $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} V$ , by identifying

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \omega \in V & & \longleftrightarrow t = (t_1, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n \\ \parallel & & \\ \omega = (t_j z^{-2} + \text{terms of order } \geq 0) dz, 1 \leq j \leq n & & \end{array}$$

and for every such  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$  by using the 1-form  $\tau_t$  constructed above, we consider the linear map

$$l : \mathbf{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^g$$

$$t \mapsto \left( \int_{b_1} \tau_t, \dots, \int_{b_g} \tau_t \right).$$

Then clearly, by noticing that  $\int_{a_i} \tau_t = 0, 1 \leq i \leq n$  by the construction,

$$V = \ker l.$$

If now  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_g$  is the canonical basis of  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ , so that  $\int_{a_i} \alpha_j = \delta_{ij}$ , we have, by the bilinear relation (note that  $\int_{a_i} \tau_t = 0$ )

$$\int_{b_j} \tau_t = 2\pi\sqrt{-1} \sum_{\nu} t_{\nu} \left( \frac{\alpha_j}{dz} \right) (z_{\nu}).$$

Thus  $l$  is defined by the matrix

$$A := (a_{ij}) = 2\pi\sqrt{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{dz} \right) (z_1) & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{dz} \right) (z_n) \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \left( \frac{\alpha_g}{dz} \right) (z_1) & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \left( \frac{\alpha_g}{dz} \right) (z_n) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Notice that if  $\omega \in \Omega(D)$  (i.e.  $\omega$  is holomorphic 1-form which vanish at all the  $z_{\nu}, 1 \leq \nu \leq n$  with order one) and write  $\omega = \lambda_1 \alpha_1 + \dots + \lambda_g \alpha_g$ , then  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_g$  is the solution of the system of linear equations

$$\sum_{k=1}^g \lambda_k a_{kj} = 0, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$$

and conversely, if  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_g$  is a solution of the system of above linear equations, then  $\omega = \lambda_1 \alpha_1 + \dots + \lambda_g \alpha_g \in \Omega(D)$ . Hence, if we denote by  $C(A)$  the column space and  $N(A)$  the row space, then this means that  $\dim N(A^t) = \dim \Omega(D) = i(D) = h^0(K - D)$ . So  $\dim C(A^t) = g - \dim N(A^t) = g - h^0(K - D)$ . Thus,

$\dim V = \dim(\ker l) = \dim N(A) = n - \dim C(A) = n - \dim C(A^\dagger) = n - (g - h^0(K - D)) = n - g + h^0(K - D)$ . Hence

$$h^0(D) = \dim(\ker l) + 1 = n - g + h^0(K - D) + 1$$

which proves the theorem in the case that  $D$  is effective.

We now prove the general case for  $D$ .

Claim: When  $g > 1$ ,  $\deg(\omega) = 2g - 2$  where  $\omega$  is a holomorphic form on  $M$ .

Indeed, since  $(\omega)$  is effective, use the the Riemann-Roch proved earlier with the assumption that  $D = (\omega)$  is effective, we get

$$h^0((\omega)) = \deg(\omega) - g + 1 + h^0(0) = \deg(\omega) - g + 2.$$

Use the fact that  $h^0(K - D) = i(D)$ , we know immediately that  $h^0(\omega) = i(0) = g$ , Thus  $\deg(\omega) = 2g - 2$ , which proves the claim.

We know that  $r(D), i(D)$  and  $\deg(D)$  depend only on the equivalent class of  $D$ , and we have proved the Riemann-Roch earlier in the case when  $D$  is equivalent to an effective divisor. We now prove that if  $D$  is a divisor with  $K - D$  is effective, then Riemann-Roch still holds. Indeed, if  $D' = K - D$  is equivalent to an effective divisor, then apply the Riemann-Roch to  $D'$  yields

$$h^0(K - D) = \deg(K - D) - g + 1 + h^0(D).$$

But  $\deg(K) = 2g - 2$ , so

$$h^0(D) = \deg(D) - g + 1 + h^0(K - D).$$

The above is in fact the Riemann-Roch to  $D$ .

It remains to the last case that both  $D$  and  $K - D$  are not equivalent to effective divisors. In this, we'll have  $h^0(D) = 0$  and  $h^0(K - D) = 0$ . In fact, if  $h^0(D) \neq 0$ , then there is a meromorphic function  $f$  with  $(f) + D \geq 0$ , contradicts with the assumption that  $D$  is not equivalent to an effective divisor. If  $h^0(K - D) \neq 0$ , then it contradicts with the assumption that  $K - D$  is not equivalent to an effective divisor. Thus for such  $D$ , the Riemann-Roch result becomes

$$0 = \deg(D) - g + 1.$$

To prove above, write  $D = D_1 - D_2$  with  $D_1, D_2$  both effective, then  $\deg(D) = \deg(D_1) - \deg(D_2)$ . Applying the Riemann's inequality to  $D_1$  yields

$$h^0(D_1) \geq \deg(D_1) - g + 1 = \deg(D_2) + \deg(D) - g + 1.$$

If  $\deg(D) \geq g$ , then  $h^0(D) \geq \deg(D_2) + 1$ , thus there are at least  $m = \deg(D_2) + 1$  meromorphic functions  $f_1, \dots, f_m \in L(D_1)$  which are linearly independent. We consider its linear combination  $f = c_1 f_1 + \dots + c_m f_m$ . Since  $m > \deg D_2$ , we



can choose suitable  $c_1, \dots, c_m$  such that  $f \neq 0$ , and every point in  $D_2$  is a zero of  $f$ . Thus

$$f \in L(-D_2) = L(D)$$

which contradicts with the fact that  $h^0(D) = 0$ . Hence  $\deg(D) < g$ . Also, from  $h^0(K - D) = 0$ , similar to above and using  $\deg(K) = 2g - 2$ , we know  $\deg(K - D) < g$ , i.e.  $\deg(D) > g - 2$ . Hence we proved  $g - 2 < \deg(D) < g$ , i.e.  $\deg(D) = g - 1$ . This finishes the proof of Riemann-Roch.

## 4.4 Projective Embeddings

Let  $M$  be a compact RS. A map  $\phi : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^N$  is said to be an embedding if it is injective and its differential  $d\phi|_p$  is injective at every point  $p$  of  $M$ .

**Complete Linear System.** A divisor  $D$  defines a **complete linear system**

$$|D| := \{D' \geq 0 \mid D' \sim D\}.$$

Note that if  $\deg D \leq 0$ , then  $|D|$  is empty. A point  $p \in M$  is called a **base point** if  $p \in \cap_{D' \in |D|} \text{supp} D'$ .  $|D|$  is said to be **base point free** if it does not have any base points. To each divisor  $D$ , we associate it with the map

$$\phi_D : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{l-1},$$

$$P \mapsto [f_0(P) : \dots : f_{l-1}(P)]$$

where  $l = \dim L(D) = \dim |D|$  and  $f_0, \dots, f_{l-1}$  is a basis of  $L(D)$ . **If  $|D|$  is base point free, then  $\phi_D$  is a well-defined holomorphic map. We are going to investigate for what kind of  $D$  the map  $\phi_D$  is an embedding.**  $D$  is called **very ample** if  $|D|$  is base point free and the map  $\phi_D : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{l-1}$  is an embedding.

To do so, we need the following results above base points and embeddings:

**Lemma**(base point free criteria).  $p \in M$  is a base point of  $|D|$  if and only  $L(D - p) = L(D)$ .

*Proof.*  $p \in M$  is a base point of  $|D| \Leftrightarrow p \in D'$  for  $\forall D' \in |D| \Leftrightarrow f(p) = 0$  for  $\forall f \in L(D)$ , since  $D' = D + (f)$ . Hence  $L(D) \subset L(D - p)$ . This proves the lemma.

**Lemma**(Injectivity).  $\phi_D$  is 1-1 if and only if for every pair of distinct points  $p, q$ ,  $h^0(D - p - q) < h^0(D - p) < h^0(D)$

*Proof.* We only prove the only if part. From  $h^0(D - p - q) < h^0(D - p) < h^0(D)$ , there is  $f \in L(D)$  with  $f(p) = 0, f(q) \neq 0$ . Since  $f = \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} a_j f_j$ , we have  $\sum_{j=0}^{l-1} a_j f_j(p) = 0, \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} a_j f_j(q) \neq 0$ , which implies  $\phi(p) = [f_0(p) : \dots :$

$f_{l-1}(p)] \neq [f_0(q) : \cdots : f_{l-1}(q)]$  since otherwise we would have  $f_i(p) = \lambda f_i(q)$ . This proves the lemma.

**Lemma**(Local isomorphism).  $\phi_D$  is a local isomorphism at  $p \in M$  if and only if  $h^0(D - 2p) < h^0(D - p) < h^0(D)$ .

*Proof.* We only prove the only if part. From  $h^0(D - 2p) < h^0(D - p) < h^0(D)$ , there is  $f \in L(D)$  with  $f(p) = 0, df(p) \neq 0$ . Since  $f = \sum_{j=0}^l a_j f_j$ , we have  $\sum_{j=0}^{l-1} a_j f_j(p) = 0, \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} a_j df_j(p) \neq 0$ , which implies  $d\phi(p) = [df_0(p) : \cdots : df_{l-1}(p)] \neq 0$  which means that  $d\phi$  is a local isomorphism.

Therefore, to prove  $\phi_D$  is an embedded, we only need to check that, for any points  $z_1, z_2 \in M$  (need NOT to be distinct), the following (\*) holds

$$0 < h^0(D - z_1 - z_2) < h^0(D - z_1) < h^0(D) \quad (*).$$

**Theorem ( Projective embedding theorem)** If  $D$  is a divisor on a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ . If  $\deg(D) \geq 2g$ , then  $|D|$  is base point free. If  $\deg(D) \geq 2g + 1$ , then  $|D|$  is very ample.

The proof is based on the followings:

1. The simple "vanishing theorem": If  $\deg(D) < 0$ , then  $L(D) = \{0\}$ . It then implies the following
2. **Vanishing Theorem:** If  $\deg(D) \geq 2g - 1$ , then  $h^0(K - D) = 0$ .

This implies that

**Proposition.** (a) If  $\deg(D) \geq 2g - 1$ , then  $h^0(D) = \deg(D) + 1 - g$ .  
 (b) If  $n > 0$ , and  $\deg(D) = g + n$ , the  $h^0(D) \geq n + 1$ .

*Proof.*  $\deg(D) \geq 2g - 1 \implies \deg(K - D) = 2g - 2 - \deg(D) < 0$ . Hence  $h^0(K - D) = 0$ . Thus (a) follows from the RR.

(b) By RR,

$$h^0(D) \geq \deg(D) + (1 - g) \geq g + n + (1 - g) = n + 1.$$

This proves the proposition.

We now prove the theorem. To check  $|D|$  if base point free when  $\deg(D) \geq 2g$ , we notice that  $h^0(D) \neq h^0(D - p)$  since from the above proposition,  $h^0(D) = \deg(D) + 1 - g$  and  $h^0(D - p) = \deg(D) - 1 + 1 - g$ . So by the lemma above,  $|D|$  is base point free. To see  $\phi_D$  is an embedding, we only need to check, as mentioned above,

$$0 < h^0(D - z_1 - z_2) < h^0(D - z_1) \quad (*).$$

By above proposition, since  $\deg(D) = 2g+1$ ,  $h^0(D-z_1-z_2) = \deg(D)-2+1-g$  and  $h^0(D-z_1) = \deg(D) - 1 + 1 - g$ , so (\*) holds. This means that  $D$  is very ample.

By taking  $D = (2g+1)p$ , from above  $D$  is very ample, and  $h^0(D) = 2g + 1 + 1 - g = g + 2$ , so we can always imbed a compact RS  $M$  of genus  $g$  into  $\mathbf{P}^{g+1}$ .

If we concern about  $D = (p)$ , then we have

**Lemma.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface. Suppose that for some point  $p \in M$ ,  $h^0(p) > 1$ , Then  $M$  is isomorphic to the Riemann sphere (using  $\phi_D$  with  $D = (p)$ ).*

*Proof.*  $h^0(p) > 1$  implies that there is a non-constant meromorphic function  $f$  which has a simple pole at  $p$  and no other poles. Thus  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \cup \{\infty\}$  has degree one, therefore is an isomorphism.

**Theorem.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus 0. Then  $M$  is isomorphic to the Riemann sphere, or equivalent,  $D = (p)$  is very ample.*

*Proof.* Let  $z_0 \in M$ . From the above lemma, we only need to show that By RR using  $D = z_0 \in M$

$$\begin{array}{rcccl}
 h^0(D) - & i(D) & = & \deg(D) + (1-g) . \\
 & \parallel & & \parallel & \parallel \\
 - \dim\{\omega \mid (\omega) \geq (z_0)\} & & & 1 & 1 \\
 & \parallel & & & \\
 & 0 & & & 
 \end{array}$$

Thus,  $h^0(z_0) = 2$ . The theorem thus follows from the above lemma.

**Canonical embedding:** Take  $D = K$ , the canonical divisor, then  $\phi_K$  is called the canonical map. We have the following result concerning about the canonical embedding: *If  $g \geq 2$  and  $M$  is not hyperelliptic, then  $K$  is very ample.* More precisely,

**Theorem.** *Every compact Riemann surface admits a (holomorphic) embedding into a complex projective space. In fact, a compact Riemann surface of genus zero is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{P}^1$ , a compact Riemann surface of genus one can be embedded into  $\mathbf{P}^2$ , and a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g \geq 2$  can be embedded by the tri-canonical map  $i_{3K}$  in  $\mathbf{P}^{5g-6}$ . If  $M$  is not hyperelliptic, then the canonical map  $i_K$  embeds  $M$  into  $\mathbf{P}^{g-1}$ .*

*Proof.* The case of  $g = 0$  has been proved in above. Now suppose that  $g > 0$  and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_g$  be a basis for  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ . By Riemann-Roch, the  $\alpha_i$  do not all vanish at any point of  $M$ . Hence, we get a well-defined map

$$i_K : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{g-1}$$

by writing  $\alpha_i = f_i dz$  and setting

$$i_K(z) := (f_1(z), \dots, f_g(z)).$$

We now wish to investigate the conditions under which  $i_K$  will be an embedding (i.e. it is injective and its differential  $di_K(P)$  is injective at every point  $P$  of  $M$ ). It is not hard to see that  $i_K$  is injective precisely when, for any two distinct points  $z_1, z_2 \in M$ , there is  $\alpha \in H^0(M, \Omega^1)$  with  $\alpha(z_1) = 0, \alpha(z_2) \neq 0$ . Similarly,  $i_K$  will have maximal rank at  $z \in M$  precisely when there is  $\alpha \in H^0(M, \Omega^1)$  for which  $z$  is a simple zero. Hence,  $i_K$  is an embedding precisely when, for any two not necessarily distinct points  $z_1, z_2 \in M$ ,

$$0 < h^0(K - z_1 - z_2) < h^0(K - z_1). \quad (*)$$

By Riemann-Roch,  $h^0(K - z_1) = 1 - g + 1 + \deg h^0(K - z_1)$ , and from the Lemma above,  $h^0(K - z_1) = 1$  (note that otherwise we would have that  $M$  is isomorphic to the Riemann sphere, which contradicts with the assumption that  $g > 0$ ). Thus  $h^0(K - z_1) = g - 1$ . On the other hand, by Riemann-Roch,

$$h^0(K - z_1 - z_2) = 2 - g + 1 + h^0(K - z_1 - z_2).$$

Hence the condition (\*) is equivalent to

$$h^0(K - z_1 - z_2) = 1 \quad (\text{Recall that } h^0(D) \geq 1 \text{ for } D \text{ effective}).$$

And (\*) fails, i.e.  $h^0(K - z_1 - z_2) = h^0(K - z_1) = g - 1$ , precisely when

$$h^0(K - z_1 - z_2) = 2$$

which means that there exists a non-constant meromorphic function  $g$  with  $(g) + z_1 + z_2 \geq 0$ , i.e.  $g$  has at most two simple poles or a double pole (according whether  $z_1 \neq z_2$  or not). In any case, such  $g$  exhibits  $M$  as a branched holomorphic two-sheeted covering of  $S^2$  via the map  $g : M \rightarrow S^2$ . Such map is called the hyperelliptic. Indeed, in above, we have proved the following statement: **If  $g \geq 2$ , then  $i_K$  is an embedding or  $M$  is hyperelliptic.**

It remains to deal with the hyperelliptic case. In the hyperelliptic case, we can show that it can be embedded by the tri-canonical map  $i_{3K}$  in  $\mathbf{P}^{5g-6}$  for  $g \geq 2$ . To do so, we consider the divisor  $mK$  with  $m \geq 2$ . We claim that  $h^0(mK) = 0$  if  $g = 0$ ,  $h^0(mK) = 1$  if  $g = 1$  and  $h^0(mK) = (2m - 1)(g - 1)$  if  $g \geq 2, m \geq 2$ . Indeed, since  $\deg(mK) = -2m < 0$  if  $g = 0$ , we have that  $h^0(mK) = 0$ . If  $g = 1$ , the  $\deg(K) = \deg(mK) = 0$ , also since  $1 = g = \dim H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ , there is a holomorphic 1-form  $fdz \neq 0$  on  $M$ . Since  $\deg(fdz) = \deg K = 0$ ,  $fdz$  can not have any zeros. Hence  $f^m dz^m$  is nowhere zero. Hence if for any  $\phi$  which is a  $m$ -canonical form,  $\phi/f^m dz^m$  is a holomorphic function, hence is constant. This shows that  $h^0(mK) = 1$  if  $g = 1$ . Finally, if  $g \geq 2$ , then  $\deg(-K) = 2 - 2g < 0$ . Hence  $h^0(-K) = 0$ . By Riemann-Roch,

$$h^0(mK) = 2mg - 2m - g + 1 = (2m - 1)(g - 1).$$

This proves the claim.

From the theorem we proved earlier, if  $g \geq 1$ , then there exists for each  $z \in M$  an  $\alpha \in H^0(M, \Omega^1)$  with  $\alpha(z) \neq 0$ . And then,  $\alpha^m$ , defined locally by  $f^m(z)dz^m$  if  $\alpha = f(z)dz$ , is so-called  $m$ -canonical form with

$$(\alpha^m) = mK.$$

Thus for each  $z \in M$  there is an  $m$ -canonical form which does not vanish at  $z$ . Now let  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$  ( $k = (2m - 1)(g - 1)$ ) be a basis for  $L(mK)$ . Then by what has been said above,

$$\begin{aligned} i_{mK} : M &\rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{k-1} \\ i_{mK}(z) &:= (\beta_1(z), \dots, \beta_k(z)) \end{aligned}$$

gives a well-defined map. The condition that  $i_{mK}$  is an embedding is as before, for any two not necessarily distinct points  $z_1, z_2 \in M$ ,

$$0 < h^0(mK - z_1 - z_2) < h^0(mK - z_1). \quad (**)$$

We know already that

$$h^0(mK - z_1) = h^0(mK) - 1,$$

since not all  $m$ -canonical forms vanishes at  $z_1$ . Also

$$\deg(mK - z_1 - z_2) = m(2g - 2) - 2.$$

Hence By Riemann-Roch,

$$h^0(mK - z_1 - z_2) = m(2g - 2) - 2 - g + 1 + h^0(-(m - 1)K + z_1 + z_2).$$

Thus if (\*\*) fails, i.e.

$$h^0(mK - z_1 - z_2) = h^0(mK - z_1) = h^0(mK) - 1.$$

Then

$$h^0(-(m - 1)K + z_1 + z_2) = 1.$$

Hence,

$$\deg(-(m - 1)K + z_1 + z_2) \geq 0$$

i.e.

$$\deg((m - 1) - z_1 - z_2) \leq 0$$

which is equivalent to

$$(m - 1)(2g - 2) - 2 \leq 0$$

or

$$(m - 1)(g - 1) \leq 1.$$

Since we are assuming that  $m \geq 2, g \geq 2$ , this happens if  $m = 2, g = 2$ . Thus we see that, if  $g \geq 2$ ,

$$i_{3K} : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{5g-6}$$

is always an embedding.

## Chapter 5

# Line bundles

Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface (or a general complex manifold). A *holomorphic line bundle* over  $M$  is a complex manifold  $L$  together with a surjective holomorphic map  $\pi : L \rightarrow M$  having the following properties.

(i) (Locally triviality) For  $\forall p \in M$  there is a neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  and a map  $\phi_U : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that the map

$$\phi_U : \pi^{-1}(U) \ni v \mapsto (\pi(v), f_U(v)) \rightarrow U \times \mathbf{C}$$

is a diffeomorphism.

(ii) (Global linear structure) For each pair of such neighborhoods  $U_\alpha$  and  $U_\beta$  there is a map

$$g_{\alpha\beta} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^*$$

such that  $\phi_{U_\alpha} \circ \phi_{U_\beta}^{-1}(x, \lambda) = (x, g_{\alpha\beta}\lambda)$ .

The map  $\phi_U$  is also called the locally trivialization of the line bundle. The maps  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  are called transition functions. The set  $L_x := \pi^{-1}(x), x \in M$  is called the fiber of the line bundle at  $x$ .

If one can choose  $\phi_U : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  to be holomorphic, then  $L$  is called a holomorphic line bundle.

The transition functions  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  satisfy  $g_{\alpha\alpha} = Id$ ,  $g_{\alpha\beta}g_{\beta\alpha} = Id$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ ,  $g_{\alpha\alpha}g_{\beta\gamma}g_{\gamma\alpha} = Id$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$ . Conversely, if holomorphic functions  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  satisfy the above properties. Then let

$$L := \cup(U_\alpha \times \mathbf{C}) / \sim$$

where  $\sim$  is an equivalent relation defined by

$$(x, \lambda_\alpha) \sim (x, \lambda_\beta) \leftrightarrow \lambda_\beta = g_{\alpha\beta}\lambda_\alpha, \quad \forall x \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

We denote by  $[x, \lambda_\alpha]$  the equivalent class of  $(x, \lambda_\alpha)$ . Then  $L$  is a manifold whose coordinate charts are  $\{W_\alpha, \Psi_\alpha\}$  where

$$W_\alpha := \{[x, \lambda_\alpha] \mid (x, \lambda_\alpha) \in U_\alpha \times \mathbf{C}\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_\alpha : W_\alpha &\rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbf{C} \\ [x, \lambda_\alpha] &\mapsto (x, \lambda_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $L$  is a holomorphic line bundle over  $M$  with the trivializations

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) &\rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbf{C} \\ [x, \lambda_\alpha] &\mapsto (x, \lambda_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$L \longleftrightarrow \{U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}\}.$$

A (holomorphic) section of  $L$  is a holomorphic map  $s : M \rightarrow L$  such that  $\phi \circ s = id$ . Write  $s = s_\alpha e_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha$ , where  $e_\alpha(p) = \phi^{-1}(p, 1)$ . Then  $s_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta} s_\beta$ . So a (holomorphic) section  $s$  assigns, on every  $U_\alpha$ , a holomorphic function  $s_\alpha$  with the property that  $s_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta} s_\beta$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ . Let  $L \Leftrightarrow \{U_i, g_{ij}\}$  be a line bundle. A meromorphic section of  $L$  is a collection  $s = \{s_i \in \text{cal}M(U_i)\}$  satisfying  $s_i = g_{ij} s_j$ . So the divisor  $(s)$  is well-defined by letting  $\text{ord}_p(s) := \text{ord}_p(s_i)$ .

Consider  $L = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(-1)$ , *tautological line bundle* on  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  (which some books called it *the universal line bundle*). The fiber of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(-1)$  over a point  $p = [z_0 : \cdots : z_n]$  consists of the complex line spanned by  $(z_0, \dots, z_n)$  (passign through the origin). To find its trivialization and transition functions, take the standard covering  $\mathbf{P}^n = \cup_{i=0}^n U_i$  with  $U_i = \{[z_0 : \cdots : z_n] \mid z_i \neq 0\}$ . The points in the fiber of  $L$  over  $[z_0 : \cdots : z_{i-1} : 1 : z_{i+1} : \cdots : z_n]$  has the form  $([z_0 : \cdots : z_{i-1} : 1 : z_{i+1} : \cdots : z_n], \lambda(z_0, \dots, z_{i-1}, 1, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n)) \subset \mathbf{P}^n \times \mathbf{C}^{n+1}$ . We define the trivialization of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(-1)$  over  $U_i$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_i : \pi^{-1}(U_i) &\rightarrow U_i \times \mathbf{C}, \\ ([z_0 : \cdots : z_{i-1} : 1 : z_{i+1} : \cdots : z_n], \lambda(z_0, \dots, z_{i-1}, 1, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n)) \\ &\mapsto ([z_0 : \cdots : z_{i-1} : 1 : z_{i+1} : \cdots : z_n], \lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Since on  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$ , for any  $p = [z_0 : \cdots : z_n]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_j^{-1}(p, 1) &= ([z_0 : \cdots : z_n], (z_0/z_j, \dots, z_{j-1}/z_j, 1, z_{j+1}/z_j, \dots, z_n/z_j)) \\ &= ([z_0 : \cdots : z_n], (z_i/z_j)(z_0, \dots, z_{i-1}, 1, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\psi_i \circ \psi_j^{-1}(p, 1) = (p, z_i/z_j)$ . So the transition functions are  $g_{ij} = \frac{z_i}{z_j}$ .

*The line bundle of hyperplane of  $\mathbf{P}^n$*  : The dual of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(-1)$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$  is called the hyperplane line bundle. Its transition functions are  $g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{z_\beta}{z_\alpha}$ . On

$U_\alpha$ , consider  $s_\alpha = a_1 \frac{z^1}{z^\alpha} + \cdots + a_{\alpha-1} \frac{z^{\alpha-1}}{z^\alpha} + a_\alpha + a_{\alpha+1} \frac{z^{\alpha+1}}{z^\alpha} + \cdots + a_n \frac{z^n}{z^\alpha}$ . Then  $s_\alpha = \frac{z^\beta}{z^\alpha} s_\beta$ . So  $s_\alpha$  defined a holomorphic section  $s = a_0 z_0 + \cdots + a_n z_n$ . Its zero is the hyperplane  $H = \{[z^0, \dots, z^n] \in \mathbf{P}^n \mid \sum_{\alpha=0}^n a_\alpha z^\alpha = 0\}$  in  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . This is where the name of hyperplane line bundle of  $\mathbf{P}^n$  comes from. We sometimes also denote it by  $[H]$ .

*Holomorphic tangent bundle*  $\pi : T^{(1,0)}M \rightarrow M$ . Let  $\{W_\alpha\}$  be a local coordinate covering of  $M$  with coordinate functions  $\{z_\alpha : W_\alpha \rightarrow W_\alpha^0 \subset \mathbf{C}\}$ . Then, for any  $p \in W_\alpha$ ,  $\pi^{-1}(p) = \{a \frac{\partial}{\partial z_\alpha} | p \mid a \in \mathbf{C}\}$ . We define

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(W_\alpha) &\rightarrow W_\alpha \times \mathbf{C} \rightarrow W_\alpha^0 \times \mathbf{C} \\ a \frac{\partial}{\partial z_\alpha} | p &\mapsto (p, a) \mapsto (z_\alpha(p), a). \end{aligned}$$

$T^{(1,0)}M$  becomes a complex manifold of dimension 2 with coordinate covering  $\pi^{-1}(W_\alpha)$  and coordinate map  $\{\psi_\alpha\}$ . On  $W_\alpha \cap W_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$\psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, y_\alpha) = \psi_\beta^{-1}(x, y_\beta) \iff y_\beta = y_\alpha \frac{\partial z_\beta}{\partial z_\alpha}$$

Hence the transition functions are  $g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial z_\alpha}{\partial z_\beta}$ .

*Holomorphic tangent bundle*  $\pi : T^{(1,0)*}M \rightarrow M$  *Canonical line bundle on  $M$* : Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface. Let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be a holomorphic coordinate covering of  $M$ ,  $(z_{(\alpha)})$  be a local coordinate system of  $U_\alpha$ . Then, for any  $p \in U_\alpha$ ,  $\pi^{-1}(p) = \{a dz_\alpha | p \mid a \in \mathbf{C}\}$ . We define

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) &\rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbf{C} \rightarrow U_\alpha^0 \times \mathbf{C} \\ a dz_\alpha | p &\mapsto (p, a) \mapsto (z_\alpha(p), a). \end{aligned}$$

$T^{(1,0)*}M$  becomes a complex manifold of dimension 2 with coordinate covering  $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  and coordinate map  $\{\psi_\alpha\}$ . On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$\psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, y_{\text{alpha}}) = \psi_\beta^{-1}(x, y_\beta) \iff y_\alpha dz_\alpha = y_\beta dz_\beta \quad \text{or} \quad y_\beta = y_\alpha \frac{dz_\alpha}{dz_\beta}$$

Hence the transition functions are  $g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{dz_\beta}{dz_\alpha}$ . Sections of  $K_M$  are  $(1,0)$ -forms  $\omega = a dz_\alpha$ .

**Operators on line bundles:** Let  $L \leftrightarrow \{U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}\}$ ,  $L' \leftrightarrow \{U_\alpha, g'_{\alpha\beta}\}$ . We define  $L+L'$  or  $L \otimes L'$  to be the line bundle given by  $\{U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta} g'_{\alpha\beta}\}$  and its dual bundle  $L^{-1}$  (or  $-L$ ) by  $\{U_\alpha, \frac{1}{g_{\alpha\beta}}\}$ .



We call a biholomorphic map  $h : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$  a bundle isomorphism if the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L_1 & \xrightarrow{h} & L_2 \\ \pi_1 \downarrow & & \pi_2 \downarrow \\ M & = & M \end{array}$$

and (1)  $h$  preserves the fibers, (2)  $h_{\pi^{-1}(z)}$  is a vector space isomorphism.

**Lemma.** *Holomorphic line bundles  $L$  and  $L'$  are isomorphic  $\iff$  there is a common open refinement  $\{W_\alpha\}$  such that  $L$  and  $L'$  are given by  $\{W_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  and  $\{W_\alpha, g'_{\alpha\beta}\}$  respectively, and holomorphic functions  $\phi_i \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_\alpha)$  such that, on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,*

$$g'_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\phi_\alpha}{\phi_\beta} g_{\alpha\beta}.$$

**Divisors and Line bundles:** Let  $s : M \rightarrow L$  be a meromorphic section, then  $(s)$  is a divisor. On the other hand, let  $D = \sum_{p \in M} D(p)p$  be a divisor on  $M$  and fix an atlas  $\{U_\alpha, z_\alpha\}$  for  $M$  such that  $U_\alpha \subset\subset M$  for all  $\alpha$ . For each  $\alpha$ , fix a function  $f_\alpha \in \mathcal{M}(U_\alpha)$  such that

$$\text{ord}(f_\alpha) = D|_{U_\alpha} := \sum_{p \in U_\alpha} D(p)p.$$

(For example, one could take  $f_\alpha = \prod_{p \in U_\alpha} (z - p)^{D(p)}$ .) Then we obtain a collection of functions

$$g_{\alpha\beta} := \frac{f_\alpha}{f_\beta} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta).$$

It gives a holomorphic line bundle  $[D]$  by  $\{W_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta} := f_\alpha/f_\beta\}$ . Note that  $\{f_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  is a meromorphic section over  $M$ . Moreover, if  $D$  is effective, then there is a holomorphic section  $s \in H^0(M, [D])$  such that  $D = D_s$ . Note that  $s = \{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  if  $D \cap U_i = (f_i)$ . This section is called the *canonical section* and is denoted by  $s_D$ . If  $D = H$  is a hyperplane, then  $[H] = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$ . The mapping  $D \rightarrow [D]$  is a homomorphism from the group of divisors on  $M$  to the group of line bundles. Denote by  $\mathcal{L}$  the abelian group of line bundles, up to an isomorphism and  $\mathcal{D}$  be the abelian group of divisors on  $M$ , up to a linear equivalence.

**Theorem.**  $\mathcal{D} \cong \mathcal{L}$ .

*Proof.* We send  $D \in \mathcal{D}$  to  $[D] \in \mathcal{L}$ , by let  $D$  be a divisor of  $M$  given by  $\{W_\alpha, f_\alpha \in \mathcal{M}(W_\alpha)\}$  then it gives a holomorphic line bundle  $[D]$  by  $\{W_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta} := f_\alpha/f_\beta\}$ . It is well-defined, since if  $D$  is given by another  $\{W_\alpha, f'_\alpha \in \mathcal{M}(W_\alpha)\}$  then it gives a holomorphic line bundle  $[D]$  by  $\{W_\alpha, g'_{\alpha\beta} := f'_\alpha/f'_\beta\}$ . Then

$$g'_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{f'_\alpha}{f'_\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\phi_\alpha}{\phi_\beta}$$

with  $\phi_\alpha = \frac{f'_\alpha}{f_\alpha} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_\alpha)$ . Therefore we get a line bundle isomorphism. The map is obviously a group homomorphism. We now prove this map is onto. Let  $L \in \mathcal{L}$  be a line bundle with transition functions  $g_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_i \cap U_j)$ . Then there exists some (not identically vanishing)  $f_1 \in \mathcal{M}(U_1)$  with  $f_1|_{U_1 \cap U_2} = g_{12}$ . Having defined  $f_i$  we find  $f_{i+1} \in \mathcal{M}(U_{i+1})$  with  $f_{i+1}|_{U_i \cap U_{i+1}} = \frac{g_{i+1,i} f_i}{f_i}$ . Since  $g_{ij}$  satisfies the co-cycle rules, the collection  $\{U_i, f_i\}$  defined some divisor  $D$  with  $[D] = L$ , and  $D$  is determined up to linear equivalence. This proves the theorem.

To summarize, here is the correspondence between divisors and line bundles:

**Theorem.** *If  $D \in \mathcal{D}$ , then there is a meromorphic section  $s$  of  $[D]$  such that  $(s) = D$  (such section is called the canonical section). Conversely, if  $L \in \mathcal{L}$ , and  $s$  is any meromorphic section  $s$  of  $L$  (always exists from above), then  $L = [(s)]$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed, for any divisor  $D = \{U_\alpha, f_\alpha\}$ , we can associate a line bundle  $[D]$ , with  $s_D = \{f_\alpha\}$  being a meromorphic section (called the canonical section) of  $[D]$ . Conversely, for any line bundle  $L$ , let  $s$  be any meromorphic section  $s$  of  $L$  (always exists from above). Write  $s = \{s_\alpha\}$ , then  $s_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta} s_\beta$ , where  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  are transition functions of  $L$ . On the other hand, from the discussion above, the transition functions of  $[(s)]$  are also  $s_\alpha/s_\beta$ . Hence  $L = [(s)]$ .

**Lemma.** *For  $\forall D \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $H^0(M, [D]) \cong L(D)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $[D] = \{U_\alpha, f_\alpha\}$ . We define

$$i : H^0(M, [D]) \rightarrow L(D)$$

$$s = \{s_\alpha\} \mapsto s_\alpha/f_\alpha,$$

and

$$j : L(D) \rightarrow H^0(M, [D])$$

$$f \mapsto \{f f_\alpha\}.$$

This proves the lemma.

Similarly, we can prove

**Lemma.** *For any  $L \in \mathcal{L}$ , and  $D \in \mathcal{D}$ ,*

$$H^0(M, L - [D]) \cong \{s = \text{meromorphic section of } L \mid (s) - D \geq 0\}.$$

**Corollary.** *Assume that  $L \in \mathcal{L}$ , and there is some  $D \in \mathcal{D}$  such that  $\dim H^0(M, L - [D]) > 0$ . Then there is  $D_0 \in \mathcal{D}$  such that  $L = [D_0]$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\dim H^0(M, L - [D]) > 0$ , from above there is a not identically vanishing meromorphic section  $s$  on  $L$ , and this implies that  $L = [(s)]$ .

The above corollary will be used later to give another proof of  $\mathcal{D} \cong \mathcal{L}$ .

The preceding concepts allow the reformulation of Riemann-Roch theorem as

**Corollary** *Let  $L$  be a line bundle over a compact Riemann surface  $M$  of genus  $g$ . Then*

$$\dim H^0(M, L) = \deg L - g + 1 + \dim H^0(M, K \otimes L^{-1}),$$

where  $\deg L := \deg(s)$ , where  $s$  is any meromorphic section of  $L$  (independent of the choice of  $s$ ),  $H^0(M, L)$  is the space of all holomorphic sections of  $L$  and  $K$  is the canonical bundle over  $M$ .

# Chapter 6

## Sheaves and cohomology

### 6.1 Sheaves

A *Sheaf*  $\mathcal{F}$  over a complex manifold  $X$  consists of, for each open set  $U \subset X$ , an abelian group (or vector spaces, rings, or any desired object)  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  (also denoted  $\Gamma(\mathcal{F}, U)$  and called the set of sections over  $U$ ), and a collection of restriction maps such that for each  $U \subset V \subset X$ ,  $\rho_{V,U} : \mathcal{F}(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U)$ , and satisfy:

- (1) *Identity*:  $\rho_{U,U} = id|_{\mathcal{F}(U)}$ ,
- (2) *Compatibility*: If  $U \subset V \subset W \subset X$ , then  $\rho_{V,U} \circ \rho_{W,V} = \rho_{W,U}$ ;
- (3) *Sheaf axiom (gluing)*: Let  $U = \bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$  and  $\sigma_{\alpha}|_{U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}} = \sigma_{\beta}|_{U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}}$  for all  $\alpha, \beta$ , then there exists a (unique)  $\sigma \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that  $\sigma_{\alpha} = \sigma|_{U_{\alpha}}$  for all  $\alpha$ .

If only (1) and (2) are satisfied, then  $\mathcal{F}$  is called a **presheaf**. Elements in  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  is called a local section on  $U$ , and Elements in  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  is called a global section.

#### Examples:

1.  $\mathcal{O}_X$  (the sheaf of holomorphic functions on  $X$ ):  $\mathcal{O}(U) = \{\text{holomorphic functions on } U\}$ .
2.  $\mathcal{O}(L)$ :  $\mathcal{O}(L)(U) = \{\text{holomorphic sections of } L \text{ on } U\}$ , where  $L$  is a holomorphic line bundle over  $X$ .
3.  $\mathcal{O}_X^*$ :  $\mathcal{O}_X^*(U) = \{\text{holomorphic nowhere zero functions on } U\}$ .
4.  $\mathcal{M}_X$ :  $\mathcal{M}_X(U) = \{\text{meromorphic functions on } U\}$ .
5.  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$ :  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)(U) = \{f \mid f \text{ is a meromorphic function on } U, \text{ord}_p(f) \geq -D(p) \text{ for } p \in U\}$ . Note: as a vector space,  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) = L(D)$ .
6.  $\mathcal{E}_X^1$ :  $\mathcal{E}_X^1(U) = \{\text{smooth 1-forms on } U\}$ .
7.  $\Omega_X^1$ :  $\Omega_X^1(U) = \{\text{holomorphic 1-forms on } U\}$ .
8.  $\Omega_X^1[-D]$  (the sheaf of holomorphic 1-forms vanishing along  $D$ ):  $\Omega_X^1[-D](U) = \{\text{holomorphic 1-forms } \omega \text{ with } \text{ord}_p(\omega) \geq D(p) \text{ for } p \in U\}$ .
9. The *skyscraper* sheaf  $\mathbf{C}_p$ :  $\mathbf{C}_p(U) = \mathbf{C}$  if  $p \in U$ , and  $\mathbf{C}_p(U) = 0$  if  $p \notin U$  along with the natural restriction maps.
10. **Locally constant Sheaves**. Note that the property of being constant is not a local property for a function. Specially, if an open set is disjoint of

the subsets, then a function may be constant on each of the subsets, but with different values, it is not constant on the whole set. So  $\mathbf{C}$  (or in general, an abelian group  $G$ ) is not a sheaf, only a presheaf. We now modify it by considering functions which are *locally constant*:  $f : U \subset M \rightarrow G$  is locally constant, if for every point  $p \in U$ , there is  $V \subset U$  such that  $f$  is constant on  $V$ . The locally constant functions into a group  $G$  form a sheaf, and is denoted by  $\underline{G}$ . For example, we have sheaves  $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}, \underline{\mathbf{R}}, \underline{\mathbf{C}}$ , etc.. (without confusion, we just denote it by  $G$ ).

## 6.2 Čech Cohomology

**Origins: The Mittag-Leffler Problem:** Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface, not necessarily compact,  $p \in M$  with local coordinate  $z$  centered at  $p$ . A *principal part* at  $p$  is the polar part  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k z^{-k}$  of Laurent series. If  $\mathcal{O}_p$  is the local ring of holomorphic functions around  $p$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_p$  the field of meromorphic functions around  $p$ , a principal is just an element of the quotient group  $\mathcal{M}_p/\mathcal{O}_p$ . The *Mittag-Leffler question* is, given a discrete set  $\{p_n\}$  of points in  $M$  and a principal part at  $p_n$  for each  $n$ , does there exist a meromorphic function  $f$  on  $S$ , holomorphic outside  $\{p_n\}$ , whose principal part at each  $p_n$  is the one specified? The question is clearly trivial locally, and so the problem is one of passage from local to global data. Here are two approaches, both lead to cohomology theories.

**Čech:** Take a covering  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  of  $M$  by open sets such that each  $U_\alpha$  contains at most one point  $p_n$ , and let  $f_\alpha$  be a meromorphic function on  $U_\alpha$  solving the problem in  $U_\alpha$ . Set

$$f_{\alpha\beta} = f_\alpha - f_\beta \in \mathcal{O}(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta).$$

In  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$ , we have

$$f_{\alpha\beta} + f_{\beta\gamma} + f_{\gamma\alpha} = 0.$$

Solving the problem globally is equivalent to finding  $\{g_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}(U_\alpha)\}$  such that  $f_{\alpha\beta} = g_\beta - g_\alpha$  in  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ : given that  $g_\alpha, f = f_\alpha + g_\alpha$  is globally defined function satisfying the conditions, and conversely. In the Čech theory,

$$Z^1(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O}) = \{\{f_{\alpha\beta}\} : f_{\alpha\beta} + f_{\beta\gamma} + f_{\gamma\alpha} = 0\}$$

$$\delta C^0(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O}) = \{\{f_{\alpha\beta}\} : f_{\alpha\beta} = g_\beta - g_\alpha, \text{ some } \{g_\alpha\}\}$$

and the *first Čech cohomology group*

$$H^1(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O}) = Z^1(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O})/\delta C^0(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O})$$

is the obstruction to solving the problem. The direct limit of  $H^1(\{U_\alpha\}, \mathcal{O})$  is denoted by  $H_{\text{Čech}}^1(M, \mathcal{O})$  defines a cohomology group, which only depends on  $M$ , which is called the *first Čech cohomology group* of  $M$  with coefficient  $\mathcal{O}$ .

*Dolbault.* As before, take  $f_\alpha$  be a meromorphic function on  $U_\alpha$  solving the problem in  $U_\alpha$ , and let  $\rho_\alpha$  be a bump function (partition of unit), 1 in a neighborhood of  $p_n \in U_\alpha$  and having compact support in  $U_\alpha$ . Then

$$\phi = \sum_{\alpha} \bar{\partial}(\rho_\alpha f_\alpha)$$

is a  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed  $c^\infty$ -(0,1)-form on  $M$  ( $\phi \equiv 0$  in a neighborhood of  $p_n$ ). If  $\phi = \bar{\partial}\eta$  for  $\eta \in C^\infty(M)$ , then the function

$$f = \sum_{\alpha} \rho_\alpha f_\alpha - \eta$$

satisfies the conditions of the problem: thus the obstruction to solving the problem is in  $H_{Dol}^{0,1}(M)$ , the *Dolbault*-cohomology.

Note that these two different approaches exactly give what the Dolbault theorem is.

**Cech cohomology:** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be an abelian group sheaf over a complex manifold  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  be an open covering of topological space  $X$ . We denote by

$$U_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_n} := U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_n}.$$

The deletion of one of the indices is indicated with the use of a " $\widehat{i}_k$ ".

An *p-cochain* for the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  over  $\mathcal{U}$  is a collection of sections of  $\mathcal{F}$ , one over each  $U_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_p}$  (If  $U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_p} = \emptyset$ , we take  $f_{i_0 \dots i_p} = 0$ ). We use  $C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$  to denote the set of all *p-cochains* of  $\mathcal{U}$  with coefficients in the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$ . Thus

$$C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) = \prod_{(i_0, i_1, \dots, i_p)} \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_p}).$$

For  $\forall \{f_{i_0 \dots i_p}\}, \{g_{i_0 \dots i_p}\} \in C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$ , defining the addition operation

$$\{f_{i_0 \dots i_p}\} + \{g_{i_0 \dots i_p}\} = \{f_{i_0 \dots i_p} + g_{i_0 \dots i_p}\}$$

then  $C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$  becomes an abelian group, we called  $C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$  *p-dimensional cochains group* of  $\mathcal{U}$  with **coefficients in sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$** .

Now we define the operator

$$\delta_p : C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow C^{p+1}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) : f \mapsto \delta_p f$$

where

$$(1) \quad (\delta_p f)_{i_0 \dots i_{p+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{p+1} (-1)^k f_{i_0 \dots \widehat{i}_k \dots i_{p+1}}.$$

In the right hand side of (1), each  $f_{i_0 \dots \widehat{i}_k \dots i_{p+1}}$  restricts to  $U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_{p+1}}$  and proceeds the addition operation in  $\Gamma(U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_{p+1}}, \mathcal{F})$ . It is easy to verify

$\delta_p$  is a homeomorphism of group, and  $\delta_{p+1} \circ \delta_p = 0$ ;  $p \geq 1$ .  $Z^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) := \text{Ker } \delta_p \subset C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $p \geq 0$ , is called the  $p$ -dimensional **cocycles group** of  $\mathcal{U}$  with **coefficients in sheaf**  $\mathcal{F}$ , and  $B^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) = \text{Im } \delta_{p-1}$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , is called the  $p$ -dimensional **coboundaries group** of  $\mathcal{U}$  with **coefficients in sheaf**  $\mathcal{F}$ , and  $B^0(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) \equiv 0$ . From  $\delta_{p+1} \circ \delta_p \equiv 0$ ,  $B^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) \subset Z^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$ . Define

$$H^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) = Z^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})/B^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}), \text{ for } p \geq 1$$

and

$$H^0(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) = Z^0(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) \quad p = 0$$

$H^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$  is called the  $p$ -dimensional cohomology group of  $\mathcal{U}$  with coefficients in the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$ . Define

$$H^p(X, \mathcal{F}) = \lim_{\mathcal{U}} H^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}).$$

### 6.3 Sheaf Maps

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be sheaves over  $M$ . Suppose there is  $\{\phi|_U\}, \phi_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  such that, for any open set  $U \subset V$ , the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi_U} & \mathcal{G}(U) \\ \rho_V^U \downarrow & & \rho_V^U \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}(V) & \xrightarrow{\phi_V} & \mathcal{G}(V) \end{array} .$$

We call such map a **sheaf map**.

**Examples:**

1. Inclusion maps:  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{O}_X \subset \mathbf{M}_X$ .
2. Differentiation maps:

$$d : \mathcal{C}_X^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_X^1.$$

$$d(= \partial) : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \Omega_X^1.$$

3. Restriction or Evaluation Maps:

$$\text{div} : \mathcal{M}_X^* \rightarrow \text{Div}_X.$$

$$\text{eval}_p : \mathcal{O}_X[D] \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_p$$

$$f = \sum_{n \geq -D(p)} c_n z^n \mapsto c_{-D(p)}.$$

4. The exponential maps.  $\exp(2\pi i -) : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^*$ .

**The Kernel of the sheaf map:** Suppose that  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf map Define Let

$$\mathcal{K}(U) := \ker_\phi(U) = \ker\{\phi_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)\} \subset \mathcal{F}(U),$$

then it is a well-defined sheaf.

**One-to-one and onto:** We say that  $\phi$  is one-to-one, or injective, if every point  $p$  and open set  $U$  with  $p \in M$ , there is an open set  $V \subset U$  containing  $p$  such that  $\beta_V$  such that  $\phi_V$  is 1-1. We say that  $\phi$  is onto, or surjective, if for every  $p$  and open set  $U$  with  $p \in M$ , and every  $f \in \mathcal{G}(U)$ , there is an open set  $V \subset U$  containing  $p$  such that  $\phi_V$  hits the restriction of  $f$  to  $V$ . Note that we don't require that all  $\phi_U$  to be 1-1 or onto, but only "eventually" 1-1 or onto, in the sense above, although we have the following lemma regarding the 1-1:

**Lemma.** *The following are equivalent for sheaf map  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  (i)  $\phi$  is 1-1, (ii)  $\phi_U$  is 1-1 for every open subset  $U \subset M$ , (iii) the kernel sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$  is identically zero sheaf.*

The analogous lemma **is not true** for onto maps of sheaves. For example, take  $M = \mathbf{C}^*$ , and consider  $\exp(2\pi i -) : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^*$ .  $g(z) = 1/z \in \mathcal{O}_X^*$ , there is no  $f \in \mathcal{O}_X$  with  $\exp(2\pi i f) = g$ . But, from the definition above, this map is onto.

**Short Exact sequence:** We say that a sequence of sheaf maps

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence if  $\phi$  is onto, and the sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$  is the kernel sheaf of  $\phi$ . Or equivalently, we can use the the quotient sheaf  $\mathcal{G}/\text{Im}\phi$  to define it: the quotient sheaf  $\mathcal{G}/\text{Im}\phi$  defined as follows: a section  $s \in (\mathcal{G}/\text{Im}\phi)(U)$  if and only if there is an open covering of  $U$ :  $U = \cup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$  and  $s_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{G}(U_{\alpha})$  such that for all  $U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta} \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$s_{\alpha}|_{U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}} - s_{\beta}|_{U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}} \in \phi_{U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}}(\mathcal{F}(U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta})).$$

A sequence of sheaf maps

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F}_3 \rightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence if  $\text{Im}(\alpha) = \text{ker}(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_3 = \mathcal{F}_2/\text{Im}(\alpha)$ .

**Remark:** For a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F}_3 \rightarrow 0,$$

by the definition of the quotient sheaf, it does not imply that

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1(U) \xrightarrow{\phi_U} \mathcal{F}_2(U) \xrightarrow{\beta_U} \mathcal{F}_3(U) \rightarrow 0.$$

It only implies the following: if for every section  $\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_3(U)$ , and every  $p \in U$ , there is an open set  $V_p \subset U$  containing  $p$  such that  $\sigma_V$  is the image of  $\beta_V$ .

Examples of short exact sequences:



1.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{d=\partial} \Omega_X^1 \rightarrow 0$$

2.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{\exp(2\pi i -)} \mathcal{O}^* \rightarrow 0$$

3.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^{0,1} \rightarrow 0$$

4. For any divisor  $D$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}[D - p] \rightarrow \mathcal{O}[D] \xrightarrow{Eval_p} \mathcal{C}_p \rightarrow 0$$

5. For any divisor  $D$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^1[p - D] \rightarrow \Omega^1[-D] \xrightarrow{Res_p} \mathcal{C}_p \rightarrow 0$$

**Definition.** Let

$$\mathcal{F}_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F}_3$$

be a sequence. This sequence is exact at  $\mathcal{F}_2$  if, firstly, the composition of the map is zero, and secondly, for every open set  $U$  and every point  $p \in U$  and every section  $g \in \mathcal{F}_2(U)$  which is in the kernel of  $\beta_U$ , there is an open set  $V \subset U$  containing  $p$  such that  $\alpha_V$  such that  $\rho_V^U(g)$  is in the image of  $\alpha_V$ .

**Proposition.** Let

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\lambda} \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (*)$$

be an exact sequence of sheaves. Then for  $\forall U \subset X$ ,

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\lambda_U} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\mu_U} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{H}) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (**)$$

is an exact sequence of section groups.

*Proof*  $Ker(\lambda_U) = 0$ , since  $\forall f \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $\lambda_U(f) = 0$ , i.e., for  $\forall x \in U$ ,  $\lambda(f(x)) = 0$ , since  $\lambda$  is injective,  $f(x) = 0$ .  $\forall x \in U$ ,  $f \equiv 0$ , therefore the sequence  $(**)$  is exact at  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{F})$ . Since  $\mu \circ \lambda = 0$ ,  $\mu_U \circ \lambda_U = 0$  by the definition of  $\mu_U$  and  $\lambda_U$ , therefore  $Im(\lambda_U) \subset Ker(\mu_U)$ . For  $\forall g \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{G})$ , if  $\mu_U(g) = 0$ , that is  $\mu(g(x)) = 0$ , for  $\forall x \in U$ . By the exactness of  $(*)$ ,  $g(x) \in Im(\lambda)$ ,  $\forall x \in U$ , i.e.,  $Im g \subset Im(\lambda)$ , hence there exists  $f \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F})$  such that  $\lambda_U(f) = g$ . This finishes the proof.

In general, the  $\mu_U$  is not necessarily surjective. We provide an example to elucidate the fact.

**Example:**  $X = \Delta^* = \{z \in \mathbf{C}^1 | 0 < |z| < 1\}$  is the punctured unit disc in  $\mathbf{C}^1$ ,  $\mathcal{O}$  is the sheaf of germs of holomorphic functions,  $|\mathcal{C}al\mathcal{O}^*$  is the sheaf

of germs of holomorphic functions without the zero,  $Z$  is the sheaf of germs of integral numbers, then we have following exact sequence of sheaves

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \xrightarrow{i} \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{e} \mathcal{O}^* \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $i$  is inclusion homomorphism,  $e(\mathbf{f}_x) = (\exp 2\pi i f)_x$ , where  $\mathbf{f}_x$  is the germ of  $f$  at  $x$  and  $f$  is a holomorphic on a neighborhood of  $x$ ,  $(\exp 2\pi i f)_x$  in the germ of  $\exp 2\pi i f$  at  $x$ . It is easy to verify (4) is an exact sequence of sheaves. Now we consider the following sequence of group homomorphisms,

$$0 \longrightarrow \Gamma(\Delta^*, Z) \xrightarrow{i_{\Delta^*}} \Gamma(\Delta^*, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{e_{\Delta^*}} \Gamma(\Delta^*, \mathcal{O}^*) \longrightarrow 0.$$

For the holomorphic function  $z \in \Gamma(\Delta^*, \mathcal{O}^*)$ , there is no  $g \in \Gamma(\Delta^*, \mathcal{O})$  such that  $\exp(2\pi i g) = z$ . In fact, the only solution is  $g = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log z$ , but  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \log z$  is not the unique valued holomorphic functions on  $\Delta^*$ .

**The Connecting Homomorphism.** Suppose  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}$  is an onto map of sheaves. Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be the kernel sheaf for  $\phi$ . We define a map, called the *Connecting Homomorphism*

$$\delta : H^0(X, \mathcal{G}) (\cong \mathcal{G}(X)) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{K})$$

as follows: Take  $g \in \mathcal{G}(X)$ . Since  $\phi$  is onto, for every point  $p \in X$ , there is an open neighborhood  $U_p$  of  $p$  such that  $g = \phi(f_p)$  on  $U_p$ . Note that the collection  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_p\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ : let  $h_{pq} := f_q - f_p \in \mathcal{F}(U_p \cap U_q)$ . It is clear that  $(h_{pq})$  is a 1-cocycle for the sheaf; moreover,  $\phi(h_{pq}) = 0$  since the difference is essentially  $g - g$ . Therefore  $(h_{pq})$  is a 1-cocycle for the kernel sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$ , and represent a cohomology class in  $H^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{K})$ . Its image in  $H^1(X, \mathcal{K})$  will be denoted by  $\delta(g)$ . It can be proved that the construction of  $\delta(g)$  is independent of the choice of covering  $\mathcal{U}$  and the choice of preimage  $f_p$ .

The purpose of the Connecting Homomorphism  $\delta$  is to give a criterion for when a given global section  $g \in \mathcal{G}(X)$  is hit by a global section of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Lemma.** *Suppose that  $g \in \mathcal{G}(X)$  is a global section. Then there is a global section of  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\phi(f) = g$  if and only if  $\delta(g) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* "  $\implies$  ". Suppose that  $\phi(s) = g$  for some  $s \in \mathcal{F}$ . Then in the definition of the connecting homomorphism, we may choose  $U_p = X$  for every  $p \in X$  and  $f_p = s$ . Using the notation above,  $h_{pq} = 0$  for every  $p, q$  so this the identically zero 1-cocycle, which if course induces the zero element in cohomology.

"  $\impliedby$  ". Suppose that  $\delta(g) = 0$  in  $H^1(X, \mathcal{K})$ . Using the definition above, this means that  $h_{pq} = 0$  is a boundary, and we may write  $h_{pq} = k_q - k_p$  for some 0-cochain  $k_p$  for  $\mathcal{K}$ . Set  $s_p := f_p - f_q$ , where  $f_p$  is the preimage of  $g$  under  $\phi$  locally on the set  $U_p$ . On  $U_p \cap U_q$ , we have

$$s_p - s_q = (f_p - k_p) - (f_q - k_q) = (k_q - k_p) - (f_q - f_p) = k_q - k_p - h_{pq} = 0$$

and son, by the sheaf axiom the section  $\{s_p\}$  patch together to give a global section  $s \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ . This finishes the proof.

**Corollary.** Let  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}$  be an onto map of sheaves with kernel sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$ . Then the map  $\phi(X) : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}(X)$  is onto if  $H^1(X, \mathcal{K}) = 0$ .

### The Long Exact Sequence of Cohomology.

**Theorem** Let  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}$  be an onto map of sheaves with kernel sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$ . Then the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(X) \xrightarrow{inc} \mathcal{F}(X) \xrightarrow{\phi_X} \mathcal{G}(X) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^1(M, \mathcal{K}) \xrightarrow{inc_*} H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\phi_*} H^1(X, \mathcal{G})$$

is exact at every step.

*Proof.* The exactness at  $\mathcal{K}(X)$  and  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  is just the definition of the kernel sheaf. The exactness at  $\mathcal{G}(X)$  is, as mentioned above, exactly the content of the above Lemma.

To see the image  $(\delta) \subset Ker(inc_*)$ , suppose that  $g \in \mathcal{G}(X)$ . The first step in defining  $\delta(g)$  is to choose an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  and find elements  $f_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$  with  $\phi_{U_i}(f_i) = g|_{U_i}$ , then  $\delta(g)$  is defined by the 1-cocycle  $f_i - f_j$  for the sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$ . But this cocycle is obviously a coboundary in the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$ .

To finish the exactness at  $H^1(M, \mathcal{K})$ , we must check that  $Ker(inc_*) \subset image(\delta)$ . Suppose that  $(k_{ij})$  is a 1-cocycle for the sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$  which represents a class in the kernel of  $inc_*$ . Then  $(k_{ij})$  is a coboundary, considered as a 1-cocycle for the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$ , and so there is a 0-cochain  $(f_i)$  such that  $k_{ij} = f_i - f_j$  on  $U_i \cap U_j$  for every  $i, j$ . Consider the 0-cochain  $(g_i)$  for  $\mathcal{G}$ , where  $g_i = \phi(f_i)$ . Note that

$$g_i - g_j = \phi(f_i - f_j) = \phi(k_{ij})$$

on  $U_i \cap U_j$ , so by the sheaf axiom for  $\mathcal{G}$  there is a global section  $g \in \mathcal{G}(X)$  such that  $g|_{U_i} = g_i$  for every  $i$ . It is clear from the definition of  $\delta$  that  $\delta(g)$  is the class of  $(k_{ij})$ .

Finally we must check the exactness at  $H^1(M, \mathcal{F})$ . It is clear that  $inc_* \circ \phi_* = 0$ , so we only need to check that  $ker(\phi_*) \subset image(inc_*)$ . Let  $c$  be a class in  $ker(\phi_*)$ , and represent  $c$  by a 1-cocycle  $(f_{ij})$  with respect to some open covering  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ . Since  $\phi_*(c) = 0$ , we have that the 1-cocycle  $(\phi(f_{ij}))$  represents  $A0$  in  $H^1(M, \mathcal{G})$ . Therefore it is a coboundary; there is a 0-cocycle  $(g_i)$  with respect to the open covering  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\phi(f_{ij}) = g_i - g_j$  for every  $i, j$ . After refining  $\mathcal{U}$  further we may assume, since  $\phi$  is an onto map of sheaves, that each  $g_i$  is equal to  $\phi(f_i)$  for some element  $f_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$ . Let  $h_{ij} = f_{ij} - f_i - f_j \in \mathcal{F}(U_i \cap U_j)$ , this is clearly a 1-cocycle since  $(f_{ij})$  is. Applying  $\phi$ , we see that

$$\phi(h_{ij}) = \phi(f_{ij}) - g_i - g_j = 0,$$

so that  $\phi(h_{ij})$  is actually a 1-cocycle for the kernel sheaf  $\mathcal{K}$ . Since it differs from the cocycle  $(f_{ij})$  by the coboundary of the 0-cocycle  $(f_i)$ , it also gives the original class  $c$  in cohomology. Thus  $c$  is in the image of  $inc_*$ . This finishes the proof.

The above theorem is usually expressed as saying "a short exact sequences of sheaves gives a long exact sequences in cohomology". Paracompactness is the property which ensures it is true. In general we can prove, in a similar way:

**Theorem(from short to long exact sequence)** *Assume that*

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{i} \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{j} \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$$

*is exact. Then there are connecting homomorphisms  $\delta : H^n(X, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow H^{n+1}(X, \mathcal{F})$  for every  $n \geq 0$  such that the sequence of cohomology groups*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{K}) &\xrightarrow{i^*} H^0(M, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{j^*} H^0(M, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\delta} \\ &\rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{K}) \xrightarrow{i^*} H^1(M, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{j^*} H^1(M, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\delta^*} \\ &\rightarrow H^2(M, \mathcal{K}) \xrightarrow{i^*} H^2(M, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{j^*} H^2(M, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\delta^*} \dots \end{aligned}$$

*is exact.*

## 6.4 Sheaves and Line bundles

An **invertible sheaf** is a coherent sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $M$  such that each point  $x \in M$  has an open neighborhood  $U \subset M$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(U) \cong \mathcal{O}_U$  as  $\mathcal{O}_M$ -modules.

Recall that a holomorphic line bundle  $L$  defines a coherent analytic sheaf (of sections)  $\mathcal{L}$  over  $X$  by  $\mathcal{L}(U) = \{ \text{(local) holomorphic sections of } L \text{ on } U \}$ . It is an **invertible sheaf** since

$$\mathcal{L}(U_\alpha) \cong \mathcal{O}_{U_\alpha}.$$

Conversely, let  $\mathcal{L}$  be an invertible sheaf, and let  $\phi_\alpha : \mathcal{L}(U_\alpha) \cong \mathcal{O}_{U_\alpha}$  be the local trivializations. Then  $g_{\alpha, \beta} = \phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$  gives the line bundle  $L$ . Hence, we also call **invertible sheaf** as **line bundle** (or an invertible sheaf on  $M$  (any irreducible algebraic variety) is simply the sheaf of holomorphic sections of some holomorphic line bundle, the structure sheaf of holomorphic functions  $\mathcal{O}$  corresponds to the trivial line bundle).

Given a line bundle  $L$  over  $M$ , and given an open covering  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  of  $M$  with  $U_\alpha$  being the trivialization neighborhood of  $L$ . Then its transition function  $\phi_{\alpha\beta} \in \mathcal{O}_M^*(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_M^*(U_\alpha)$  is the sheaf of nowhere vanishing holomorphic functions on  $M$ . So  $\{\phi_{\alpha\beta}\} \in C^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{O}_M^*)$ . Further, the compatible conditions imply that  $\{\phi_{\alpha\beta}\} \in Z^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{O}_M^*)$ . We get a map  $L \mapsto [\{\phi_{\alpha\beta}\}] \in H^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{O}_M^*)$ . In this way, we can prove the following important statement: *There is one-to-one correspondence between the equivalent classes of holomorphic line bundles on  $M$  and the elements of the cohomology group  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}_M^*)$ .*

The concept of line bundle is intimately related to the concept of **divisors**, which originated from the Riemann surfaces. On a Riemann surface, poles and zeros of meromorphic functions are isolated points. We use  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  to denote these isolated points. Then the formal sum,  $\sum n(p_i)p_i$ , is called a divisor, where  $n(p_i) \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Those  $n(p_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  denote the multiplicities of the zeros  $p_i$ , and those  $n(p_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^-$  denote the multiplicities of the poles  $p_i$ . So, in fact,  $\sum_i n(p_i)p_i$  reflects a meromorphic function with the given poles and zeros, counting multiplicities.

For a complex manifold  $M$ , the divisor is a complex submanifold with codimension 1, which is locally defined by the set of zeros of a holomorphic function. Alternatively (Weil's divisor)

**Definition** A divisor  $D$  on  $M$  is a formal linear combination

$$D = \sum a_i [Y_i]$$

where  $Y_i \subset M$  irreducible hypersurfaces and  $a_i$  are integers. The divisor group  $Div(X)$  is the set of all divisors endowed with the natural group structure. A divisor  $D$  is called effective if  $a_i \geq 0$  for all  $i$ .

Let  $D$  be a divisor on  $M$ , and  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  be an open covering of  $M$  such that on each  $U_i$ ;  $i \in I$ ,  $D \cap U_i = \{f_i = 0\}$ , where  $f_i$  is a holomorphic function on  $U_i$ . When  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$

$$\phi_{ij} := \frac{f_i}{f_j} \quad U_i \cap U_j,$$

then  $\phi_{ij} \neq 0$  on  $U_i \cap U_j$  and  $\phi_{ij} \cdot \phi_{ji} = 1$ ; on  $U_i \cap U_j$ ,  $\phi_{ij} \phi_{jk} \phi_{ki} = 1$  on  $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$ , so  $\{\phi_{ij}\}_{i \in I}$  is a transitive function, which defines a line bundle  $L$ . We call  $L$  the line bundle associated to the divisor  $D$ , and denote it by  $L = [D]$ . If  $D$  is defined by  $D \cap U_i = \{f_i = 0\}$ , where  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  is an open covering of  $M$  and  $f_i$  is holomorphic function, then  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a holomorphic section over  $M$ , i.e.  $f \in \Gamma(M, [D])$

$$f|_{U_i} = f_i.$$

Obviously the zeros of  $f$  is just the divisor  $D$ . This section is called the *canonical section* and is denoted by  $s_D$ .

We need to point that the  $[D]$  is unique in the isomorphic sense of line bundles. If there is another system of holomorphic functions defining  $D$ , then  $\frac{f_i}{f'_i} \neq 0$  on  $U_i$ ;  $\forall i \in I$ , then

$$u_i = \frac{f_i}{f'_i} : u_i \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}^* = \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$$

so that

$$\phi_{ij} = \frac{f_i}{f_j} = \frac{u_i}{u_j} \cdot \frac{f'_i}{f'_j} = \frac{u_i}{u_j} = \phi'_{ij}.$$

Hence the line bundles defined by  $\{\phi_{ij}\}$  and  $\{\phi'_{ij}\}$  are equivalent.

Let's take  $H : a_0z_0 + \cdots + a_nz_n = 0$  be a hyperplane in  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . let  $\mathbf{P}^n = \cup_{i=0}^n U_i$  be the standard open covering. Then on  $U_i$ , we have  $f_i = a_0 \frac{z_0}{z_i} + \cdots + a_n \frac{z_n}{z_i}$ , hence  $\phi_{ij} := \frac{f_i}{f_j} = \frac{z_i}{z_j} \quad U_i \cap U_j$ .

A Cartier divisor on  $X$  is a family  $(U_i, g_i), i \in I$ , where  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  is an open covering of  $X$ , and  $g_i$  are meromorphic functions such that  $g_i/g_j$  is holomorphic on each intersections  $U_i \cap U_j$ . The functions  $g_i$  are called local equations of the divisor. More precisely, a Cartier divisor is an equivalence class of such data. Two collections  $(U_i, g_i)$  and  $(U'_i, g'_i)$  are equivalent if their union is still a divisor. Cartier divisors can be added by multiplying their local equations. Thus they form a group, denoted by  $Div(X)$ . The divisor  $(U_i, g_i), i \in I$ , is called effective if every  $g_i$  is holomorphic. Let  $\mathcal{M}_X$  be the sheaf of meromorphic functions on  $M$ .  $\mathcal{M}(U) = \mathbf{C}(U)$ . To every Cartier divisor  $(U_i, g_i), i \in I$ , we can attach a subsheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) \subset \mathcal{M}_X$ . Namely, on  $U_i$ , it is defined as  $g_i^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{U_i}$ . On the intersections  $U_i \cap U_j$ , the sheaves  $g_i^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{U_i}$  and  $g_j^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{U_j}$  coincide since  $g_i/g_j$  is invertible. Therefore, the sheaves can be pasted together into a sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) \subset \mathcal{M}_X$ . It is an invertible sheaf since multiplication by  $g_i$  gives an isomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_{U_i}(D)$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{U_i}$ . A nonzero section of  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  is a meromorphic function on  $X$  such that  $fg_i$  are holomorphic on  $U_i$ , in other words,  $(f) + D$  is effective. If  $D$  itself is effective, then the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  has a canonical section  $s_D$ , which corresponds to the constant function 1. By contrast, the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(-D)$ , for an effective  $D$ , is an ideal sheaf in  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . The sections of invertible sheaf define some divisors. Let  $s \in H^0(X, \mathcal{L})$  be a non-trivial section, then after choosing some trivialisations  $\phi_i : \mathcal{L}_{U_i} \sim \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$ , we obtain an effective divisor  $(U_i, \phi_i(s_i))$ , which we denoted by  $div(s, \mathcal{L})$ . For instance, the canonical section of  $s_D$  defines  $D$ .

Suppose now  $X$  is a projective variety in  $\mathbf{P}^n$ , then any sheaf  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  can be restricted on  $X$ , thus we get a sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(d)$  for any  $d$ . In particular, we have a restriction homomorphism of global sections  $H^0(\mathbf{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(1)) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(1))$ . This map is not injective if and only if  $X$  is degenerate (i.e.  $X$  is contained in some hyperplane). Its image is a vector subspace  $W \subset H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(1))$  with the following obvious property: for any  $x \in X$ , there is  $s \in W$  with  $s(x) \neq 0$ . Clearly, the divisors of the form  $div(s, \mathcal{O}_X(1)), s \in W$  are just the hyperplanes sections of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

In general, if  $X$  is a variety with an invertible sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$ , then any family of divisors  $|W|$  of the form  $div(s, \mathcal{L}), s \in W$  is called a linear systems of divisors.

### The Divisor Group and the Picard Group:

Recall that when  $n = 1$ , a divisor is  $D = \sum_p n_p p$ . When  $n > 1$ , a divisor is  $D = \sum_V n_V V$ , where  $V$  are irreducible analytic hypersurfaces. Denote  $Div(M) = H^0(M, \mathcal{M}^*/\mathcal{O}^*)$ , also called the *group of divisors*. In fact, locally  $D$

is given by  $f_\alpha \in \mathcal{M}(U_\alpha)$ , then  $f := \frac{f_\alpha}{f_\beta} \in H^0(M, \mathcal{M}^*/\mathcal{O}^*)$  is a global meromorphic section of the sheaf  $\mathcal{M}^*/\mathcal{O}^*$ .

For  $\forall f \in \mathcal{M}(M)$ ,  $(f) = \sum_p \text{ord}_p(f)p \in \mathcal{D}$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{P} = \{(f), f \in \mathcal{M}(M)\}$ . When  $n > 1$ ,  $\forall f \in \mathcal{M}(M)$ ,  $(f) = \sum_V \text{ord}_V(f)V$ , where  $V$  are irreducible analytic hypersurfaces.  $\mathcal{P} = \{(f), f \in \mathcal{M}(M)\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{P} \cong H^0(M, \mathcal{M}^*)$ .

A line bundle  $L \Leftrightarrow \{U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  can be regarded as an element in  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}^*)$  (since  $g_{\alpha\beta} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$  and satisfies  $g_{\alpha\beta}g_{\beta\gamma}g_{\gamma\alpha} = 1$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$ ). The groups of the line bundles up to isomorphisms is called the Picard group, and is denoted by  $\text{Pic}(M)$ .

when  $n > 1$ , from the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^*/\mathcal{O}^* \rightarrow 0,$$

one has the exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} H^0(M, \mathcal{M}^*) & \rightarrow & H^0(M, \mathcal{M}^*/\mathcal{O}^*) & \rightarrow & H^1(M, \mathcal{O}^*) & \rightarrow & H^1(M, \mathcal{M}^*) \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{P} & & \text{Div}(M) & & \text{Pic}(M) & & \text{it may not be empty} \end{array}.$$

In the case that  $H^1(M, \mathcal{M}^*) \neq 0$ ,  $\text{Div}(M)/\mathcal{P}$  may not be isomorphic to  $\text{Pic}(M)$  (not in the case  $n = 1$ , we have  $\text{Div}(M)/\mathcal{P} \cong \text{Pic}(M)$ ).

When  $n = 1$  and for any divisor  $D = \sum n_p p$ , we have the formula  $\text{deg}(D) = c_1([D])(M) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_M \Theta$  where  $c_1([D])$  is the first Chern class of the line bundle  $[D]$  (see below) and  $\Theta$  is the curvature form. When  $n > 1$ , for any divisor  $D$ , the first Chern class  $c_1([D]) \in H^2(M, \mathbf{Z})$ . This come from the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^* \rightarrow 0$$

and hence  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}^*) \rightarrow H^2(M, \mathbf{Z})$ . When  $n = 1$ , we have  $\text{deg}(f) = 0$  for any  $f \in \mathcal{M}(M)$  by the residue theorem. When  $n > 1$ , we also have  $c_1((f)) = \int_M \Theta = 0$  because  $(f) \in \mathcal{P}$  means that  $[(f)] = 0$  in  $\text{Div}(M)/\mathcal{P}$  and  $\delta : H^1(M, \mathcal{O}^*) \rightarrow H^2(M, \mathbf{Z})$  is a group homomorphism.

## 6.5 Cohomology Computations

There are at least three basic ways to use vanishing of cohomology groups to make the conclusion about the other cohomology groups, using the long exact sequence. The most trivial one is that if

$$0 = A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C = 0$$

then  $B = 0$ .

A second is if

$$0 = A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D = 0$$

then one concludes that  $B \cong C$ .

A third is that if one knows that in a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$$

the  $H^1(X, \mathcal{F})$  in the middle sheaf is zero. One then conclude that

$$H^1(X, \mathcal{K}) \cong \frac{\mathcal{G}(X)}{\phi(\mathcal{F}(X))}.$$

**The vanishing of  $H^1$ :**

1. The vanishing of  $H^1$  for  $C^\infty$  sheaves: We have, for any  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$H^n(X, \mathcal{C}^\infty) = 0,$$

$$H^n(X, \mathcal{E}^1) = 0.$$

2. The vanishing of  $H^1$  for  $C^\infty$  skyscraper sheaves: Let  $\mathbf{C}_p$  be the skyscraper sheaf. Then (i)  $H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_p) = \mathbf{C}$ , (ii)  $H^1(M, \mathbf{C}_p) = 0$ . The assertion of (i) is trivial. As for (ii), consider a cohomology class  $\xi \in H^1(M, \mathbf{C}_p)$ , which is represented by a cocycle in  $Z(\mathcal{U}, \mathbf{C}_p)$ . The covering  $\mathcal{U}$  has a refinement  $\mathcal{B} = \{V_\alpha\}$  such that the point  $p$  is contained in only one  $V_\alpha$ . But then  $Z(\mathcal{U}, \mathbf{C}_p) = 0$  and hence  $\xi = 0$ . This finishes the proof.

3. **Cohomology of locally constant sheaves.** Let  $X$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ . Let  $G$  be an abelian group. Then

- (a)  $H^0(X, G) \cong G$ ,
- (b)  $H^1(X, G) \cong G^{2g}$ ,
- (c)  $H^2(X, G) \cong G$  and
- (d)  $H^n(X, G) = 0$  for  $n \geq 3$ .

4. **The vanishing of  $H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X[D])$ .** Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface and  $D$  be a divisor. Then  $H^n(X, \mathcal{O}_X[D]) = 0$  for any  $n \geq 2$ .

## 6.6 The DeRham and Dobeault Theorem

**De Rham cohomology.** Recall that the De Rham Cohomology groups are defined using the smooth forming and noticing that  $d \circ d = 0$ .

$$H_{DR}^k(M) := \frac{\{\text{smooth closed } k\text{-forms}\}}{\{\text{smooth exact } k\text{-forms}\}}.$$

Note that  $H_{DR}^0(M) \cong \mathbf{C}$  the space of constant functions on  $M$ .



**Theorem(DeRham Theorem).** *Let  $X$  be a compact complex manifold. Then, for any  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$H_{DR}^n(M) \cong H^n(M, \mathbf{C}).$$

*Proof.* The result is clear for  $n = 0$ , as well as for  $n \geq 3$  (both are zero). To understand  $H_{DR}^1(M)$ , recall the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{K} = \ker(d : \mathcal{E}^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^2) \rightarrow 0$$

see that, from the long-exact sequence of Cohomology and by noticing that  $H^1(X, \mathcal{C}^\infty) = 0$  (using partition of unit) that

$$H^1(M) \cong \mathcal{K}(M)/d(\mathcal{C}^\infty(M)).$$

Note also that

$$H^n(X, \mathcal{K}) \cong H^{n+1}(M, \mathbf{C})$$

for every  $n \geq 1$ , again, from the long-exact sequence of Cohomology and by noticing that  $H^n(X, \mathcal{C}^\infty) = 0$  (using partition of unit), for all  $n \geq 1$ .

The analysis of the  $H_{DR}^1(M)$  is similar. By Poincaré's lemma, the sheaf map  $d : \mathcal{E}^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^2$  is onto with the kernel  $\mathcal{K}$ . We then have the long-exact sequence of Cohomology; this gives that

$$H^n(X, \mathcal{K}) = 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^1(M) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{E}^2(M) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{K}) \rightarrow 0$$

since  $H^n(X, \mathcal{C}^\infty) = 0$  (using partition of unit), for all  $n \geq 1$ . Thus we have that

$$H_{DR}^2(M) \cong H^1(M, \mathcal{K}) \cong H^2(M, \mathbf{C}).$$

This proves the theorem.

**The Dolbeault Theorem.** Recall the definition of the Dolbeault cohomology

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{p,q}(M) = \frac{\ker \bar{\partial} : \mathcal{E}^{p,q}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{p,q+1}(X)}{\text{image } \bar{\partial} : \mathcal{E}^{p,q-1}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{p,q}(X)}.$$

Define the sheaf of holomorphic  $p$ -forms  $\Omega_M^p$  by

$$\Omega_M^p(U) := \Gamma(U, \Omega_M^p) := \{\omega \in \mathcal{A}^{p,0}(U), \bar{\partial}\omega = 0\},$$

the set of holomorphic  $p$ -forms on  $U$ .

The ordinary Poincaré lemma that every closed form on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is exact ensures the de Rham groups are locally trivial. Analogously, a fundamental fact about the Dolbeault cohomology groups is the

**Theorem** ( $\bar{\partial}$ -Poincare lemma). *For  $\Delta$  a polycylinder in  $\mathbf{C}^n$ ,*

$$H_{Dol}^{(p,q)}(\Delta) = 0, \quad q \geq 1.$$

Similar to the deRham theorem above, we have

**Theorem ( Dolbeault Theorem ).** *Let  $X$  be a compact complex manifold. Then*

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{p,q}(M) = H^q(M, \Omega_M^p),$$

where  $\Omega_M^p$  is the sheaf of holomorphic  $p$ -forms.

Remark: Note that  $\mathcal{E}^{p,q} = 0$  if  $p + q > 2$ , so we have only 4 possible cases:

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,0}(M) = \mathcal{O}(M),$$

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{1,0}(M) = \Omega^1(M),$$

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,1}(M) = \frac{\mathcal{E}^{0,1}(X)}{\text{image } \bar{\partial} : \mathcal{C}^\infty(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(X)},$$

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{1,1}(M) = \frac{\mathcal{E}^2(X)}{\text{image } \bar{\partial} : \mathcal{E}^{1,0}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^2(X)},$$

Its proof is similar to above, using  $d = \bar{\partial} + \partial$ , and splitting the usual deRham sequence above in  $\bar{\partial}$ , i.e we consider

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^{0,1} \longrightarrow 0$$

which gives the long exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(M) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty(M) \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(M) \longrightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow 0.$$

We see immediately that

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,1}(M) \cong H^1(M, \mathcal{O}).$$

Similarly, consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \Omega^1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{1,0} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^2$$

which gives the long exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \Omega^1(M) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{1,0}(M) \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^2(M) \longrightarrow H^1(M, \Omega^1) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Therefore we have

$$H_{\bar{\partial}}^{1,1}(M) \cong H^1(M, \Omega^1).$$

## 6.7 Serre's Duality

**Theorem(Serr's Duality).** Consider the Dolbeault exact sequeunce

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{0,0} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^{0,1} \rightarrow 0$$

or more general the  $L$ -valued forms (where  $L$  is a holomorphic line bundle over  $M$ ) (it is called the  $L$ -twisting)

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{0,0}(L) \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L) \rightarrow 0$$

we get (using the long exact sequence, similar to above)

$$H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) \cong \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L)(M) / \bar{\partial}(\mathcal{E}^{0,0}(L)(M)).$$

Let  $L$  be a holomorphic line bundle on a compact Riemann surface  $M$ . Then

$$H^q(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong (H^{1-q}(M, \Omega^{1-p}(-L)))^*.$$

*Proof.* We only prove the case when  $p = 0$  and  $q = 1$ , i.e.

$$H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) \cong (H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)))^*.$$

Let  $\phi \in H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L))$ ,  $\psi \in H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L))$ , then  $\phi \wedge \psi \in H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{1,1})$  (indeed, on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ ,  $\phi_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta}\phi_\beta$  and  $\psi_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}\psi_\beta$ , this implies that  $\phi_\alpha \wedge \psi_\alpha = \phi_\beta \wedge \psi_\beta$ .) Now since  $M$  is compact, so  $\int_M \phi \wedge \psi \in \mathbf{C}$ . We get a bilinear map

$$H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L)) \times H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}.$$

If  $\phi \in \bar{\partial}(H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,0}(L))) \subset H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L))$ , so that  $\phi = \bar{\partial}f$ , and  $\psi \in H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)) \subset H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{1,0}(-L))$ , then, by Stoke's theorem,

$$(\phi, \psi) = \int_M (\bar{\partial}f) \wedge \psi = \int_M d(f\psi) = \int_{\partial M} f\psi = 0.$$

So we get the pairing

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,1}(L)) / \bar{\partial}(H^0(M, \mathcal{E}^{0,0}(L))) & \times & H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)) & \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \\ \parallel & & \parallel & \\ H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) & \times & H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)) & \rightarrow \mathbf{C}. \end{array}$$

This pairing yields the duality  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) \cong (H^0(M, \Omega^1(-L)))^*$ . This prove the theorem.

We can re-formualate the RR as follows **RR** Let  $L$  be a line bundle over a compact Riemann surface  $M$  of genus  $g$ . Then

$$\chi(L) := \dim H^0(M, L) - \dim H^1(M, L) = \deg L - g + 1,$$

where  $\deg L := \int_M c_1(L)$ .

## 6.8 A new (Sheaf Method) Proof of Riemann-Roch Theorem

Some fact about exact sequence of vector spaces. A sequence of finite dimensional spaces

$$A_1 \xrightarrow{a_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{a_2} A_3 \xrightarrow{a_3} \dots$$

is exact if  $\text{Image}(a_j) = \text{Kernel}(a_{j+1})$  for all  $j$ . We have the following result: Let

$$0 \rightarrow A_0 \xrightarrow{a_0} A_1 \xrightarrow{a_1} \dots A_{N+1} \xrightarrow{a_{N+1}} 0$$

be exact. Then

$$\sum_{j=0}^N (-1)^j \dim(A_j) = 0.$$

Here is the proof: Let  $I_k := \text{Image}(a_k)$  and  $K_k = \text{Kernel}(a_k)$ . Then  $A_k = I_k + K_k$  by dimension theorem, and  $K_{k+1} = I_k$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^N (-1)^j \dim(A_j) &= \dim I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (\dim I_j + \dim K_j) + (-1)^N \dim K_N \\ &= \dim I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (\dim I_j + \dim I_{j-1}) + (-1)^N \dim I_{N-1} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The new (sheaf-method) proof of the Riemann-Roch: Let  $D = \sum D(p)p$  be a divisor on the compact RS  $M$  and  $p \in M$  be a point. Then there is a natural inclusion map  $\mathcal{O}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(D+p)$ . Define the sheaf homomorphism  $\beta : (D+p) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_p$  as follows: for  $f \in (D+p)(U)$  locally write  $f = \sum_{n=-(D(p)+1)}^{\infty} c_n z^n$ , and define  $\beta_U(f) := c_{-(D(p)+1)} \in \mathbf{C}$ . We get the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(D+p) \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathbf{C}_p \rightarrow 0.$$

We now prove the Riemann-Roch Theorem. The case when  $D = 0$  is obtained by the fact that  $\dim H^0(M, \Omega^1) = g$ . Now let  $D$  be a divisor on the compact RS  $M$  and  $p \in M$  be a point. Let  $D' = D + p$ . Then the above short exact sequence leads to a long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_p) = \mathbf{C} \\ \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathbf{C})_p = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) - H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) + \dim \mathbf{C} \\ - \dim H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) + \dim H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) - H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D')) - \deg D' \\ &= \dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) - \dim H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(D)) - \deg D. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the case  $D \geq 0$ . In general, we can write  $D = P_1 + \cdots + P_m - P_{m+1} - \cdots - P_n$ , and this case also can be proved by repeating the above argument.

## 6.9 A New Proof of the Embedding Theorem

We now use the exact sequence (with directly using the RR) plus the vanishing theorem to reprove the embedding theorem (this gives an insight of the proof of its generalization to higher-dimensional case by Kodaria).

**Theorem**(Vanishing theorem). *Let  $L$  be a holomorphic line bundle. Then*

- (a) *If  $d(L) > 0$ , then  $H^1(M, \Omega^1(L)) = 0$ ,*
- (b) *If  $d(L) > 2g - 2$ , then  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* (a) From Serre's duality,

$$\dim H^1(M, \Omega^1(L)) = \dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(-L)).$$

Since  $\deg(-L) = -\deg(L) < 0$ , we have  $\dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(-L)) = 0$ . This proves (a). The proof of (b) is similar.

We now re-prove the embedding theorem: *If  $D$  is a divisor on a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ . Let  $D = (2g + 1)p$ . Then  $\phi_D : M \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^N$  is an embedding.*

*Proof:* Consider  $L(D)$ . As we discussed above, we only need to check (i) For any  $q \in M$ , there is  $f \in L(D)$  such that  $f(q) \neq 0$  (base point free), (ii) For any distinct  $p, q \in M$ , there is  $f \in L(D)$  with  $f(p) = 0, f(q) \neq 0$ , (iii) For any  $q \in M$ , there is  $f \in L(D)$  with  $df(p) \neq 0$ .

(i): Consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L - q) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_q \rightarrow 0.$$

It then induces a long exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(L - q)) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_q) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L - q)).$$

Since  $\deg(L - K - q) = (2g + 1) - (2g - 2) - 1 = 2 > 0$ , we have, from the vanishing theorem above,  $\dim H^1(M, K + L - K - q) = 0$ . Hence we have

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(L - q)) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_q) \rightarrow 0.$$

In other words, there is  $f \in H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(L))$  with  $f(q) \neq 0$ . This proves (i).

(ii) and (iii) Take  $q, q' \in M$  (may be the same points) and consider  $L_1 = L - q, L_2 = L - q - q'$ . Then similar as above,  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L_1)) = 0, H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L_2)) = 0$ . Consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_q \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_{q'} \rightarrow 0.$$

We obtain that

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M, L_1) \rightarrow H^0(M, L) \xrightarrow{\pi} H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_q) \rightarrow 0,$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M, L_2) \rightarrow H^0(M, L_1) \rightarrow H^0(M, \mathbf{C}_{q'}) \rightarrow 0.$$

By indentifying  $H^0(M, L_1)$  with  $\ker(\pi)$ , we see that  $H^0(M, L_1)$  is a proper subspace of  $H^0(M, L)$  and from the second exact sequence, we have that  $H^0(M, L_2)$  is a proper subspace of  $H^0(M, L_1)$ . This shows that  $\phi_D$  is one-to-one and local diffeomorphism, which finishes the proof.

## Chapter 7

# Complex Geometry of Riemann Surfaces

### 7.1 Hermitian metric on complex manifolds

Let  $M$  be a complex manifold. For  $p \in M$ , let  $(z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be a local coordinates. Define

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} - \sqrt{-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \sqrt{-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} \right),$$
$$\partial = \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \otimes dz^i, \quad \bar{\partial} = \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i} \otimes d\bar{z}^i, \quad \text{and} \quad d = \partial + \bar{\partial}.$$

The *complexified tangent space* is

$$T_{\mathbf{C},p}(M) =: \mathbf{C} \otimes T_p(M) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p + \sum_{i=1}^n b^i \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} \Big|_p \mid a^i, b^i \in \mathbf{C} \right\}$$
$$= \mathbf{C} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} \right\}.$$

The *holomorphic tangent space*  $T_p^{1,0}(M)$  and the *antiholomorphic tangent space*  $T_p^{0,1}(M)$ , for  $p \in M$ , are given by

$$T_p^{1,0}(M) = \mathbf{C} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \Big|_p \right\}_{i=1}^n, \quad T_p^{0,1}(M) = \mathbf{C} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i} \Big|_p \right\}_{i=1}^n,$$

so that

$$T_{\mathbf{C},p}(M) = T_p^{1,0}(M) \oplus T_p^{0,1}(M).$$

$T^{(1,0)}(M) = \cup_{p \in M} T_p^{1,0}(M)$  is called the *holomorphic tangent bundle*.

$\Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)}(M))$  is the set of smooth sections of  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$ , which is also called the *smooth vector fields*. When  $M$  is a Riemann surface,  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$  is a holomorphic line bundle.

A Hermitian metric on  $M$ , denoted by  $ds^2$ , is a set of Hermitian inner-product  $\{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p\}_{p \in M}$  on  $T_p^{(1,0)}(M)$  such that If  $\xi, \eta$  are  $C^\infty$  section of  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$  over an open set  $U$ , then  $\langle \xi, \zeta \rangle$  is the  $C^\infty$  function on  $U$ . If  $z^1, \dots, z^n$  is a local coordinate system of  $M$ , we write

$$ds^2 = \sum g_{i,\bar{j}} dz^i \otimes d\bar{z}^j.$$

In the case of RS, a conformal Riemannian metric (Hermitian) on a Riemann surface  $M$  is given by in local coordinates by

$$\lambda^2(z) dz d\bar{z}, \quad \lambda(z) > 0$$

(we assume that  $\lambda$  is  $C^\infty$ ). If  $w \mapsto z(w)$  is a transformation of local coordinates, then the metric should transform to

$$\lambda^2(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \frac{\partial \bar{z}}{\partial \bar{w}} dw d\bar{w}.$$

The length of a curve  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$  is given by

$$l(\gamma) := \int_\gamma \lambda(z) |dz|,$$

and the area of a measurable subset  $B$  of  $M$  by

$$Area(B) := \int_B \lambda^2(z) \frac{i}{2} dz \wedge \bar{z}.$$

Note that length and area no not depend on the local coordinate.

## 7.2 Hermitian Line bundles

Instead of  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$ , we can put a Hermitian metric on (any) line bundle  $L$ . An Hermitian metric for a line bundle  $L \rightarrow M$  is a smooth section  $h$  of the line bundle  $l^* \otimes \bar{L}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that the function  $h : L \otimes \bar{L} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  defined by

$$h(v, \bar{w}) : h(v \otimes \bar{w})$$

satisfies  $h(v, \bar{w}) = \overline{h(w, \bar{v})}$ ,  $h(v, \bar{v}) \geq 0$  and  $h(v, \bar{v}) = 0$  iff  $v = 0$ .

Let  $L$  be a line bundle over  $M$  with transition functions  $g_{ij}$ . Write  $h_i = h(e_i, \bar{e}_i)$ . Then  $h_j = |g_{ij}|^2 h_i$ . Hence, a Hermitian metric  $h$  on  $L$  is a collection of positive smooth real valued functions  $h_i$  such that  $h_j = |g_{ij}|^2 h_i$ . Let  $s \in$



$H^0(M, L)$  and write  $s = s_i e_i$ , then  $\|s\|^2 = |s_i|^2 h_i = |s_j|^2 h_j$  is well-defined on  $M$ . It is called the norm of the holomorphic section  $s$ .

For example, on the hyperplane line bundle of hyperplane line bundle of  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . We endow with a Hermitian metric  $h$  on line bundle  $[H]$ ,  $h = (h_\alpha)_{0 \leq \alpha \leq n}$ , where  $h_\alpha$  is the local expression of  $h$  on  $U_\alpha$ .

$$h_\alpha = \frac{|z^\alpha|^2}{|z|^2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \frac{|z^\beta|^2}{|z^\alpha|^2} + 1}.$$

**Connection:** A connection is a map  $D : \Gamma(M, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^1 \otimes L)$  (note that  $\mathcal{E}^k$  is the sheaf of smooth  $k$ -forms on  $M$ ), so  $\sigma \in \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^1 \otimes L)$  is called the smooth  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form) such that  $D(s + s') = D(s) + D(s')$  and  $D(fs) = df \otimes s + fDs$ . Let  $\xi$  be a local frame of  $L$  over an open subset  $U$ , i.e. a section of  $L$  over  $U$  which such that  $\xi(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in U$ . Since  $D\xi$  is an  $L$ -valued form, we can write  $D\xi = \omega \otimes \xi$  for some differential form  $\omega$  that depends on  $\xi$ . We call  $\omega$  is the connection form of  $D$  with respect to the local frame  $\xi$ . Any section  $s$  of  $L$  is  $s = f\xi$ , we we have

$$D(s) = D(f\xi) = df \otimes \xi + \omega \otimes (f\xi).$$

**Remark:** In the literature one often finds the expression  $D = d + \omega$  or

$$Ds = ds + \omega s.$$

These expressions depend on the choice of frame, but often the frame is not explicitly mentioned.

If we change the frame  $\xi$  to another frame  $\xi'$ , i.e.  $\xi' = f\xi$ . Then

$$\omega' \otimes \xi' = D(\xi') = D(f\xi) = df \otimes \xi + f\omega \otimes \xi = \left( \frac{df}{f} + \omega \right) \otimes \xi',$$

therefore,

$$\omega' = \omega + \frac{df}{f}.$$

Hence  $\omega$  is not globally defined. Notice that, however,  $d\omega$  is a globally defined 2-form on  $M$  (independent of the choice of the local frame). The form  $d\omega$  is called the *curvature form* of the connection  $D$ .

**Example.** Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface.

- (1) The exterior derivative  $d$  is a connection for the trivial bundle  $\mathcal{O} \rightarrow M$ .

(2) (Non-example). It is mistakenly asserted in a number of sources that the operator  $\bar{\partial} : f \mapsto \bar{\partial}f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z}$  is a connection of trivial bundle  $\mathcal{O} \rightarrow M$ . In fact, it is not the case, since

$$\bar{\partial}(fg) \neq d\bar{f} \otimes g + f\bar{\partial}g,$$

so that the Leibniz Rule is not satisfied.

Let  $L_1, L_2$  be two complex line bundles with connections  $D_1, D_2$ . Then

$$D_1 \otimes D_2(\xi_1 \otimes xi_2) = (D_1 \otimes D_2)\xi_1 \otimes xi_2 + \xi_1 \otimes D_2(\xi_2)$$

defines a connection on  $L_1 \otimes L_2$ . In particular, given  $L$  with the connection  $D$ , let  $\xi$  be a local fram and  $\xi^*$  be its dual, notice that  $\xi \otimes \xi^*$  is the identity map of the section of the line bundle  $L \otimes L^*$ , it induced the connection  $D^*$  with

$$D^*(\xi^*) = -\xi^* \otimes D(\xi) \otimes \xi.$$

Let  $L$  be a complex line bundles with connections  $D$ . Its complex conjugate  $\bar{L}$  gives a connection on  $\bar{L}$  given by

$$\bar{D}(\bar{\xi}) = \overline{D(\xi)}.$$

**The Hermitian Connection (or Chern connection) for holomorphic Hermitian line bundles:** Since  $\mathcal{E}^1 = \mathcal{E}^{(1,0)} \oplus \mathcal{E}^{(0,1)}$ , we can decompose  $D$  into  $D = D' + D''$  where  $D' : \Gamma(M, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^{(1,0)} \otimes L)$  and  $D'' : \Gamma(M, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^{(0,1)} \otimes L)$ . For a general complex line bundle, this splitting is not particularly helpful. However, when the underlying line bundle is holomorphic, this splitting plays a crucial role. The main difference in the setting of holomorphic vector bundles is the ability to define the  $\bar{\partial}$ -operator for sections of holomorphic line bundles.

**Definition.** Let  $L \rightarrow M$  be a holomorphic line bundle. We define  $\bar{\partial} : \Gamma(M, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^{(0,1)} \otimes L)$  as follows: choose a holomorphic local frame (section)

$$\bar{\partial}(f\xi) := \bar{\partial}f \otimes \xi.$$

It is easy to see that it is well-defined (independent of the choice of  $\xi$ ).

Given an Hermitian metric on  $L$ , there is a canonical connection (called *Hermitian connection*)  $D : \Gamma(M, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{E}^1 \otimes L) = \mathcal{E}^1(L)$  which is

(i) compatible with the complex structure, i.e. in some **holomorphic** local frame  $e_\alpha$ ,  $D$  is type  $(1, 0)$ , namely  $De_\alpha = \theta_\alpha e_\alpha$  with  $\theta_\alpha$  being a  $(1, 0)$  form), or equivalently  $D'' = \bar{\partial}$ .

(ii) compatible with the Hermitian metric on  $L$  (i.e.  $d \langle e_\alpha, e_\alpha \rangle = \langle De_\alpha, e_\alpha \rangle + \langle e_\alpha, De_\alpha \rangle$ ). Such connection is called the Chern connection (or canonical connection).

From  $d \langle e_\alpha, e_\alpha \rangle = \langle De_\alpha, e_\alpha \rangle + \langle e_\alpha, De_\alpha \rangle$  we get

$$dh_\alpha = \theta_\alpha h_\alpha + \bar{\theta}_\alpha h_\alpha.$$

Hence

$$\theta = \partial h_\alpha \cdot h_\alpha^{-1} = \partial \log h_\alpha,$$

which is called the connection form. The curvature form is

$$\Theta = d\theta_\alpha = \bar{\partial}\partial \log h_\alpha = \bar{\partial}\partial \log h_\beta, \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

So  $\Theta$  is a global (1,1)-form on  $M$ .

**Remark:** We have chosen an ad hoc definition for the curvature of the Chern connection, but to give this definition some additional meaning, we present the following discussion. The Chern connection for a holomorphic Hermitian line bundle  $(L, h)$ , being a (1,0)-form, can be written as

$$D = D' + \bar{\partial},$$

where  $D's = \partial s - (\partial \log h)s$ . If we think of "D" as a "twisted" version of the exterior derivative, designed to map the sections of the line bundle  $L$  to  $L$ -valued 1-forms, we can consider extending this twisted exterior derivative to differential forms with values in  $L$ . Since we are on a Riemann surface, we only need to to  $L$ -valued 1-forms. We define

$$D(\alpha \otimes s) := d\alpha \otimes s - \alpha \wedge Ds,$$

note that the minus sign in the second term is the usual one obtained by extending the Leibniz Rule to forms of higher degree. The similarity with exterior derivative **ends** when we compute two consecutive derivatives; we find  $DDs \neq 0$ . In fact, use the local formula  $D = d + \theta$ ,

$$DDs = D(ds + \theta \otimes s) = d(\theta \otimes s) + \theta \wedge (ds + \theta \otimes s) = (d\theta) \otimes s$$

here we have used  $\theta \wedge \theta = 0$ . The failure of the second covariant derivative to vanish means that the order of the covariant partial derivative matters, and therefore suggests that the sections see the space on which they are defined as somewhat "curved". The curvature operator, which measures this failure of the commutativity of mixed partials, is a  $0^{th}$ -order differential operator (also called the "multiplier") with values in  $\mathcal{E}^{(1,1)}$ .

Define the first Chern form of the Hermitian line bundle  $(L, h)$  as  $c_1(L, h) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \bar{\partial}\partial \log h_\alpha$ . If  $\{h'_\alpha\}$  is another metric, then  $\Theta' = \bar{\partial}\partial \log h'_\beta$ . Hence

$$\Theta - \Theta' = \bar{\partial}\partial(\log h_\beta - \log h'_\alpha) = \bar{\partial}\partial \log(h_\beta/h'_\alpha).$$

It is easy to check (since  $h_\alpha, h'_\alpha$  satisfy the same transition rule),  $(h_\alpha/h'_\alpha) = (h_\beta/h'_\beta)$ , so  $\gamma := (h_\alpha/h'_\alpha)$  is a globally defined smooth function. Hence

$$\Theta - \Theta' = \bar{\partial}(\partial \log \gamma) = d(\partial \log \gamma).$$

Thus, from the definition of De-Rham cohomology and the DeRham theorem,  $c_1(L) \in H^2(M, \mathbf{C})$  and called the *first Chern class* of  $L$ .

A (1,1)-form  $\omega$  is real  $\iff$  locally,  $\omega = f \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} dz \wedge d\bar{z}$  with  $f$  being a real valued function.  $\omega$  is said to be positive (denoted by  $\omega > 0$  if  $f > 0$ ). Since for an Hermitian line bundle  $L$  with metric  $\{h_\alpha\}$ ,

$$c_1(L, h) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\partial^2 \log h_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} \left( \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha \right)$$

which is a real (1,1)-form. If  $M$  is compact, then  $c_1(L, h)(M) := \int_M c_1(L, h) \in \mathbf{R}$  which is called the Chern number.

**Theorem.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface, and let  $h$  be a Hermitian metric for a holomorphic line bundle  $L$ . Then the number*

$$c(L) := \int_M c_1(L, h)$$

*is independent of the choice of the metric  $h$ .*

*Proof.* If  $h$  and  $h'$  are two metrics on  $L$ , then  $h/h'$  is a metric for the trivial bundle and is thus a smooth function on  $M$  with no zeros. Denote it by  $e^{-f}$ , then

$$\Theta_h - \Theta_{h'} = \sqrt{-1} \partial \bar{\partial} f = d(\sqrt{-1} \bar{\partial} f).$$

Thus by Stokes' theorem, we see that  $c(L)$  is independent of the choice of the metric  $h$ . This finishes the proof.

Below we shall prove that  $c_1(L, h) \in \mathbf{Z}$ .  $L$  is said to be positive (or ample), denoted by  $L > 0$  if there is an hermitian metric  $h$  on  $M$  such that  $c_1(L, h) > 0$ .

For example, on the hyperplane line bundle of hyperplane line bundle of  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . We endow with a Hermitian metric  $h$  on line bundle  $[H]$ ,  $h = (h_\alpha)_{0 \leq \alpha \leq n}$ , where  $h_\alpha$  is the local expression of  $h$  on  $U_\alpha$ .

$$h_\alpha = \frac{|z^\alpha|^2}{|z|^2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \left| \frac{z^\beta}{z^\alpha} \right|^2 + 1}.$$

$$c_1([H]) = -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} \log h_\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} \log \|z\|^2 > 0.$$

so  $[H]$  is positive line bundle. It is easy to see that  $[H]$  is, in fact, independent of the choice of  $H$ , so we denote it by  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$ .

**Theorem.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface and let  $(L, h)$  be a holomorphic Hermitian line bundle over  $M$ . Let  $s$  be a meromorphic section of  $L$ . Then*

$$\int_M c_1(L, h) = \#([s = 0]) - \#([s = \infty])$$

where  $\#([s = 0])$  is the number of zeros, counting multiplicities, and  $\#([s = \infty])$  is the number of poles, counting multiplicities.

*Proof.* Write  $M_s := \{x \in M, \text{ord}_x(s) = 0\}$  (so on which  $s$  has no zeros or poles). Let  $M_{s,\epsilon}$  be the subset of  $M$  obtained by removing the coordinate discs  $|z_j| < \epsilon$  about the points of  $M - M_s$  from  $M$ . By Stokes theorem,

$$\int_{M_{s,\epsilon}} dd^c \log \|s\|^2 = - \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{|z_j|=\epsilon} d^c (\log |z_j|^{2m_j} - h_j).$$

A simple calculation shows that (recall that  $d^c = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2}(\bar{\partial} - \partial)$ )

$$\int_{|z|=\epsilon} d^c \log |z|^2 = 2\pi.$$

On the other hand, on  $M_s$ , we have

$$dd^c \log \|s\|^2 = c_1(L, h).$$

Hence, by letting  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we get

$$\int_M c_1(L, h) = \#([\sigma = 0]) - \#([\sigma = \infty])$$

which proves the theorem.

The above theorem shows that the Chern number  $\int_M c_1(L, h)$  is independent of the choice of the metric on  $L$ . Also it means that

**Corollary** *Let  $D$  be a divisor on  $M$ . Then the first Chern class  $c_1([D])$  is Poincare dual to  $D$  in the sense that*

$$\int_M c_1([D]) = \deg D.$$

As we see from above, the reason for introducing the line bundles is that it affords us a good technique for localizing and utilizing metric methods in the study of divisors.

We also have  $\deg L = \int_M c_1(L)$ .

**Corollary** *If  $L$  is a line bundle with  $\deg(L) < 0$ . Then  $L$  has no non-trivial holomorphic sections.*

**Example:** The holomorphic line bundle  $T_M^{(1,0)}$ .

Let  $M$  be a real oriented surface with a Riemannian metric  $g$ . Since an isothermal coordinates on  $M$  always exist, we can choose a complex atlas to make  $M$  a Riemann surface, such that in local coordinate  $z = x + \sqrt{-1}y$ ,

$$g = \frac{r}{2}(dx \otimes dx + dy \otimes dy) = r \frac{1}{2} dz \otimes d\bar{z}.$$

Noice that this Riemannian metric for  $M$  is noe a Hermitian metric for the holomorphic line bundle  $T_M^{(1,0)}$ . Recall that the function  $r$  depends on  $z$ , if  $z'$  is another coordinates, then

$$g = r \frac{1}{2} dz \otimes d\bar{z} = r \left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial z'} \right| dz' \otimes d\bar{z}'.$$

Hence the differential (1, 1)-form

$$\omega_g := \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} r dz \wedge d\bar{z}$$

is globally defined. This form is called the metric form, or the area form associated to  $g$ .

It turns out the Chern connection of  $T_M^{(1,0)}$  with the Hermitian metric  $g$  agrees with the Levi-Civita connection of the Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M$ , after we indentify  $T_M^{(1,0)}$  with  $TM$  by sending a (1, 0)-vector to its tewice of its real part.

A Hermitian manifold  $X$  of arbitrary dimension whose Chern connection of  $T_M^{(1,0)}$  with the Hermitian metric  $g$  agrees with the Levi-Civita connection of the Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M$ , after we indentify  $T_M^{(1,0)}$  with  $TM$  by sending a (1, 0)-vector to its tewice of its real part, is called a Kahler manifold. It turns out that being Kahler is equivalent to the property that  $d\omega_g = 0$ , which holds trivially on Riemann surafce.

The fact that a Hermtian metric on a Riemann surafce is automatically Kahler is one of relative feww low-dimensional accidents that account for the extraordinary rich structure of Riemann surfaces.

### 7.3 The Gauss-Bonnet Theorem

Let  $M$  be a Riemann surafce, and  $L = T^{(1,0)}(M)$ . Write the metric as  $\sigma := r_\alpha dz_\alpha \otimes d\bar{z}_\alpha$  where

$$r_\alpha = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial z_\alpha}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} \right\rangle.$$

Then  $\Omega = r_\alpha \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha$  is the well-defined volume form on  $M$ . Let  $\Theta$  be the curvature form of the metric  $\sigma$ , then we can write

$$K := -\frac{\sqrt{-1}\Theta}{\Omega}$$

is called the Gauss curvature of  $M$  with metric  $\sigma$ . Note that  $K$  is a globally defined function on  $M$ . By direct computation,

$$K = -\Delta \log r_\alpha,$$

where the Laplace-Beltrami operator with respect to the metric  $\sigma$  is defined by

$$\Delta := \frac{4}{r_\alpha^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right).$$

For example, on the unit disc  $\{|z| < 1\}$ , the Poincaré metric is given by

$$\frac{4}{(1 - |z|^2)^2} dz d\bar{z}.$$

Then  $K = -1$ .

**Theorem (Gauss-Bonnet).** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ , with a metric  $\lambda^2(z) dz d\bar{z}$ . Then*

$$\int_M K \lambda^2(z) \frac{i}{2} dz \wedge d\bar{z} = 2\pi(2 - 2g).$$

The Gauss-Bonnet theorem is the special case of RR when taking  $L = K$ , the canonical bundle of  $M$ .

## 7.4 The Negative Curvature Method

**Theorem (Ahlfors-Schwarz Lemma).** *Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface with a metric  $\lambda^2(z) dz d\bar{z}$  whose curvature  $K$  satisfies  $K \leq -\kappa < 0$ . Then for any holomorphic map  $f : D(0, 1) \rightarrow M$  we have*

$$\lambda^2(f(z)) f_z \bar{f}_{\bar{z}} \leq \frac{1}{\kappa} \rho(z),$$

where

$$\rho^2(z) dz d\bar{z} := \frac{4}{(1 - |z|^2)^2} dz d\bar{z}$$

is the Poincaré metric on the unit-disc.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{D}_r$  be the disc of radius  $r < 1$  with the Poincaré metric  $ds^2$  of curvature  $-1$  given by

$$ds^2 = 2a_r(z) dz d\bar{z} \quad \text{where} \quad a_r(z) = \frac{2r^2}{(r^2 - |z|^2)^2}.$$

We compare this metric with  $d\sigma^2 = 2b(z) dz d\bar{z}$ . Put

$$\mu(z) = \log \frac{b(z)}{a_r(z)}.$$

Since  $\mu(z) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $z \rightarrow \partial\mathbf{D}_r$ , there is a point  $z_0 \in \mathbf{D}_r$  such that

$$\mu(z_0) = \sup\{\mu(z); z \in \mathbf{D}_r\} > -\infty.$$

Then  $b(z_0) > 0$ . Since  $z_0$  is a maximal point of  $\mu(z)$ ,

$$0 \geq \frac{\partial^2 \mu}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}(z_0).$$

On the other hand, since the Gauss curvature of the Poincaré metric is  $-1$  and the curvature of  $d\sigma^2$  is bounded above by  $-1$ ,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log a_r}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = a_r(z) \text{ and } \frac{\partial^2 \log b}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}(z) \geq b(z).$$

So

$$0 \geq \frac{\partial^2 \mu}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}(z_0) = \frac{\partial^2 \log b}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}(z_0) - \frac{\partial^2 \log a_r}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}(z_0) \geq b(z_0) - a_r(z_0).$$

Hence  $a_r(z_0) \geq b(z_0)$  and so  $\mu(z_0) \leq 0$ . By the choice of  $z_0$ , we have  $\mu(z) \leq 0$  on  $\mathbf{D}_r$ , that is

$$a_r(z) \geq b(z).$$

The Theorem is proven by letting  $r \rightarrow 1$ .

let  $M = \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C}) - \{a_i\}_{i=1}^q$  and let  $\|z, a\|$  denote the spherical distance of  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C})$ . Define a hermitian metric  $d\sigma^2$  on  $M$  by

$$d\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^q \|z, a_i\|^2 (\log c \|z, a_i\|^2)^2} \cdot \frac{4}{(1 + |z|^2)^2} dz d\bar{z}$$

where  $c > 0$  is a constant. Taking small  $c > 0$ , one finds that the Gaussian curvature  $K_{d\sigma^2} \leq -k < 0$  with a constant  $k > 0$ . So the Schwarz lemma implies that *The Riemann sphere  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C})$  minus at least three points is Kobayashi hyperbolic.*

Note that in the proof of Theorem above, we see that the theorem holds if  $d\sigma^2$  is only continuous at zero points of  $d\sigma^2$  and is twice differentiable at the points where it is positive (and hence the curvature is defined). This allows Ahlfors to extend Theorem 5.1.2 to non-smooth metrics. Let  $d\sigma^2$  be an upper semi-continuous Hermitian pseudo-metric on the unit disc  $\mathbf{D}$ . A pseudo-Hermitian metric  $d\sigma_0^2$  is called a **supporting pseudo metric** for  $d\sigma^2$  at  $z_0 \in \mathbf{D}$  if it is defined and of class  $C^2$  in a neighborhood  $U$  of  $z_0$  and satisfies the following condition:

$$d\sigma^2 \geq d\sigma_0^2 \text{ on } U \quad \text{and} \quad d\sigma^2 = d\sigma_0^2 \text{ at } z_0.$$

We define

$$K_{d\sigma^2}(z_0) = \inf K_{d\sigma_0^2}(z_0),$$

where the infimum is taken over all supporting pseudo metric  $d\sigma_0^2$  for  $d\sigma^2$  at  $z_0$ . Theorem 5.1.2 is generalized to the following theorem.



**Theorem** Let  $ds^2$  denote the Poincaré metric on the unit disc  $\mathbf{D}$ . Let  $d\sigma^2$  be an upper semi-continuous Hermitian pseudo-metric on  $\mathbf{D}$  whose curvature is bounded above by  $-1$ . Then

$$d\sigma^2 \leq ds^2.$$

**Corollary** Let  $X$  be a Riemann surface with a Hermitian pseudo-metric  $ds_X^2$  whose curvature (wherever defined) is bounded above by  $-1$ . Then every holomorphic map  $f : \mathbf{D} \rightarrow X$  is distance-decreasing, i.e.,

$$f^* ds_X^2 \leq ds^2,$$

where  $ds^2$  is the Poincaré metric on the unit disc  $\mathbf{D}$ .

*Proof.* Set  $d\sigma^2 = f^* ds_X^2$ . Then  $d\sigma^2$  is a Hermitian pseudo-metric on  $\mathbf{D}$ . If we denote the curvature of  $ds_X^2$  by  $K_X$ , then the curvature of  $d\sigma^2$  is given by  $f^* K_X$ . Now the Corollary follows from Theorem above.  $\square$

The classical Schwarz-Pick Lemma immediately follows from Corollary.

**Schwarz-Pick Lemma** Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be the unit disc with the Poincaré metric  $ds^2$ . Then every holomorphic map  $f : \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}$  is distance-decreasing, i.e.,

$$f^* ds^2 \leq ds^2, \text{ or equivalently}$$

$$\frac{|f'(z)|}{1 - |f(z)|^2} \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z|^2}, \text{ for } z \in \mathbf{D}.$$

## 7.5 Holomorphic 1-forms and Metrics on compact Riemann surfaces

**Theorem.**  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ , and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_g$  be a basis for  $H^0(M, \Omega^1)$ . Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^g \alpha_i(z) \bar{\alpha}_i(z)$$

defines a metric on  $M$  with nonpositive curvature, the so-called the Bergman metric. If  $g \geq 2$ , then the curvature vanishes at most in a finite number of points.

**Corollary.** Every compact Riemann surface of genus  $g \geq 2$  admits a metric with negative curvature, hence it is hyperbolic.

## Chapter 8

# Hodge Theorem revisited

### 8.1 The Laplacian Operator

Let  $M$  be a Riemann surface and let  $G = r_\alpha dz_\alpha d\bar{z}_\alpha = r_\alpha(dx_\alpha \otimes dx_\alpha + dy_\alpha \otimes dy_\alpha)$  be the Riemannian metric on  $M$ , i.e.

$$G(\partial/\partial z_\alpha, \partial/\partial z_\alpha) = r_\alpha.$$

The metric  $G$  on  $T^{(1,0)}$  induces a metric on  $T^{(1,0)*}$  (hence on the space of smooth  $(p, q)$ -forms) as follows:  $\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{r_\alpha}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_\alpha}\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $T^{(1,0)*}M$ . By declaring  $\{\sqrt{r_\alpha} dz_\alpha\}$  being an orthonormal basis of  $T^{(1,0)*}M$ , it induces a metric on  $T^{(1,0)*}M$ , and we have

$$G(dz_\alpha, dz_\alpha) = \frac{1}{r_\alpha} G(d\bar{z}_\alpha, d\bar{z}_\alpha) = \frac{1}{r_\alpha},$$

$$G(dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha, dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha) = \frac{1}{r_\alpha^2}.$$

Let  $\Omega_\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} r_\alpha dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha$  be the volume form. It is easy to check that, on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\Omega_\alpha = \Omega_\beta$ , so it is a globally defined 2-form on  $M$ , which is called the volume form, denoted by  $\Omega$ . Then  $G(\Omega, \Omega) = 1$ . Denote by  $A^p = \mathcal{E}^p(M) = \{C^\infty$  p-forms on  $M\}$  and  $A^{p,q}(M) = \mathcal{E}^{p,q}(M) = \{C^\infty(p, q)$ -forms on  $M\}$ . The metric  $G = r_\alpha dz_\alpha d\bar{z}_\alpha$  induces a metric in  $A^{p,q}$  as mentioned above.

**The Star Operator:** Define the operator  $\star : A^{p,q} \rightarrow A^{1-q, 1-p}$  (and hence  $\star : A^k \rightarrow A^{2-k}$ ) by  $\phi \wedge \star \psi = G(\phi, \psi)\Omega$  for any  $\phi \in A^{1-q, 1-p}$ ,  $\psi \in A^{p,q}$ , or equivalently, in the local coordinate,  $\star 1 = \Omega$ ,  $\star \Omega = 1$  and on the Riemann surface,  $\star dz_\alpha = -idz_\alpha$ ,  $\star d\bar{z}_\alpha = id\bar{z}_\alpha$ . It can be easily checked that

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} \star \star : A^{p,q} &\rightarrow A^{p,q}, \star \star = (-1)^{p+q}, \\ \star \star : A^p &\rightarrow A^p, \star \star = (-1)^p, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad G(\star\phi, \star\psi) = G(\phi, \psi),$$

$$(3) \quad \star \text{ is real , } \star\bar{\phi} = \overline{\star\phi}.$$

**The (global) Inner Product:** For a given Hermitian line bundle  $L$  and for  $\sigma \in A^{p,q}(L)$ , write locally  $\sigma = \omega^{(\alpha)} \otimes s^{(\alpha)}$ . We define  $\star\sigma = (\star\omega^\alpha) \otimes s^\alpha$ . For  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in A^{p,q}(L)$ , we define an inner product as follows: Write locally  $\sigma_j = \omega_j s_j$  on  $W_\alpha$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , we define

$$(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \int_M \langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2.$$

Then  $(\ , \ )$  induces an inner product on  $A(L) := \bigoplus A^{p,q}(L)$ .

**The adjoint of  $\bar{\partial}$ :**

**Definition.** Let  $T_1, T_2 : A(L) \rightarrow A(L)$  be two linear operators such that  $(T_1\sigma, \eta) = (\sigma, T_2\eta)$ ,  $\forall \sigma, \eta$  with compact support. We call  $T_1, T_2$  are adjoint to each other. We write  $T_2 = T_1^*$  or  $T_1 = T_2^*$ .

For example,  $\star$  and  $\star^{-1}$  are adjoint to each other.

We need to find the adjoint of  $\bar{\partial}$ . First define

$$D'_L : A^{p,q}(L) \rightarrow A^{p+1,q}(L)$$

$$\sigma = \omega_\alpha e_\alpha \mapsto (\partial\omega_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q}\omega_\alpha \wedge \theta_\alpha)e_\alpha,$$

where  $\theta_\alpha$  is the connection form (with respect to the given metric on  $L$ ), i.e.  $De_\alpha = \theta_\alpha e_\alpha$ . Note that  $\theta_\alpha = \partial \log h_\alpha$ . In the case when  $L$  is trivial, then  $D' = \partial$ .

**Remark:** Let  $L = \{U_\alpha, \phi_{\alpha\beta}\}$  be a Hermitian line bundle over a compact Kähler manifold, and  $h$  be its Hermitian metric. As a well-known fact, if  $\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ , then  $\bar{\partial}\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q+1}(L))$ . Indeed, if  $\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$  i.e.,  $\omega_\alpha \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ ,  $\alpha \in I$ ,  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is an open covering of  $M$  consists of the trivialization neighborhoods of  $L$ , then

$$\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

Since  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}$  is holomorphic,

$$\bar{\partial}\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\bar{\partial}\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

Thus  $\bar{\partial}\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q+1}(L))$ . **However for the operator  $\partial$ ,  $\partial\omega$  is no longer a  $L$ -valued differential form**, since if  $\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , then

$$\partial\omega_\alpha = \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta,$$

and, in general  $\partial\phi_{\alpha\beta} \neq 0$ , so  $\partial\omega$  is no longer a  $L$ -valued differential form. For this reason, we introduce  $D'_L : \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L)) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p+1,q}(L))$ , which is a differential operator of degree  $(1, 0)$  on  $L$ -valued forms, by letting

$$D'_L\omega_\alpha = \partial\omega_\alpha + (\partial \log h_\alpha)\omega_\alpha = h_\alpha^{-1}\partial(h_\alpha\omega_\alpha).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} D'_L\omega_\alpha &= \partial\omega_\alpha + \partial \log h_\alpha\omega_\alpha \\ &= \partial(\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta) + \partial \log (h_\beta|\phi_{\beta\alpha}|^2)\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta + (\partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha}))\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\phi_{\beta\alpha}\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta\omega_\beta)\phi_{\alpha\beta} + \partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha}\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial \log \phi_{\alpha\beta}\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta\omega_\beta)\phi_{\alpha\beta} + \partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha}\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \phi_{\alpha\beta}(\partial\omega_\beta + \partial \log h_\beta\omega_\beta) = \phi_{\alpha\beta}D'_L\omega_\beta \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem**

$$\bar{\partial}^* = -\star D'_L \star.$$

*Proof.*  $\forall \sigma_1 = \omega_1 e_\alpha \in A^{p,q-1}(L), \forall \sigma_2 = \omega_2 e_\alpha \in A^{p,q}(L),$

$$(\bar{\partial}\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \int_M (e_\alpha, e_\alpha)\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 = \int_M h_\alpha\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2.$$

Notice that, since  $\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha$  is a  $(1, 0)$ -form,

$$\begin{aligned} d(\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha) &= \bar{\partial}(\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha) \\ &= \bar{\partial}(\omega_1) \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q-1}\omega_1 \wedge \bar{\partial}\star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha - \omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 \wedge \bar{\partial}h_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By Stoke's theroem, since  $M$  is compact,

$$\int_M d(\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha) = 0$$

hence,

$$\int_M h_\alpha \bar{\partial}(\omega_1) \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 = - \int_M [(-1)^{p+q-1}\omega_1 \wedge \bar{\partial}\star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha - \omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 \wedge \bar{\partial}h_\alpha].$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
(\bar{\partial}\sigma_1, \sigma_2) &= \int_M h_\alpha \bar{\partial}\omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 \\
&= - \int_M ((-1)^{p+q-1}\omega_1 \wedge \bar{\partial}\star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha - \omega_1 \wedge \star\bar{\omega}_2 \bar{\partial}h_\alpha) \\
&= - \int_M (-1)^{p+q-1} h_\alpha \omega_1 \wedge \left( \bar{\partial}\star\bar{\omega}_2 h_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q}\star\bar{\omega}_2 \wedge \frac{\bar{\partial}h_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \right) \\
&= - \int_M (-1)^{p+q-1} h_\alpha \omega_1 \wedge \overline{\left( \bar{\partial}\star\omega_2 h_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q}\star\omega_2 \wedge \theta_\alpha \right)} \\
&= - \int_M h_\alpha \omega_1 \wedge \star\star \left( \overline{\bar{\partial}\star\omega_2 h_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q}\star\omega_2 \wedge \theta_\alpha} \right) \\
&= - \int_M h_\alpha \omega_1 \wedge \star\star \overline{\left( \bar{\partial}\star\omega_2 h_\alpha + (-1)^{p+q}\star\omega_2 \wedge \theta_\alpha \right)} \\
&= (\sigma_1, -\star D'_L \star \sigma_2)
\end{aligned}$$

here in above, we used the following fact:  $\star\star = (-1)^{p+q-1}$ . This shows that  $\bar{\partial}^* = -\star D'_L \star$ . which proves the theorem.

**The Laplace operator**  $\square$ .

Now we have

$$\bar{\partial} : A^{p,q}(L) \rightarrow A^{p,q+1}(L), \quad \bar{\partial}^* : A^{p,q+1}(L) \rightarrow A^{p,q}(L)$$

with  $\bar{\partial}^2 = 0, \bar{\partial}^{*2} = 0$ . Let

$$\square := -\bar{\partial}^* \bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial} \bar{\partial}^* = (\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}^*)^2$$

which is called the Laplacian operator with respect to  $(L, h)$  and  $(M, G)$ .

We remark that if  $L = \mathcal{O}$  is the trivial line bundle with the trivial metric, then

$$\square = -2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}.$$

This is why we call  $\square$  Laplacian operator. We have

$$(\square\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = (\sigma_1, \square\sigma_2).$$

**Lemma.**

$$\square\phi = 0 \iff \bar{\partial}\phi = 0 \text{ and } \bar{\partial}^*\phi = 0.$$

*Proof.* Notice

$$(\square\phi, \phi) = (\bar{\partial}\phi, \bar{\partial}\phi) + (\bar{\partial}^*\phi, \bar{\partial}^*\phi).$$

The lemma can thus be easily verified.

**The expression of the Laplace operator  $\square$ .**

Next, we compute the local expression of  $\square$ , i.e.  $\square f$  for any  $f \in A^{p,q}(L)$ . On  $W_\alpha$ ,  $e_\alpha$  is local frame for  $L$ ,  $h_\alpha = \langle e_\alpha, e_\alpha \rangle$  and on  $T^{(1,0)}M$ , the metric  $G = r_\alpha dz_\alpha d\bar{z}_\alpha$ . Write the linear differential operator

$$\square_0 = -\frac{2}{r_\alpha} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} + \frac{\partial \log h_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} \right).$$

Let  $f = f_\alpha \phi_\alpha e_\alpha$  with  $f_\alpha \in C^\infty(W_\alpha)$ , and  $\phi_\alpha := 1$  if  $(p, q) = (0, 0)$ ;  $:= dz_\alpha$  if  $(p, q) = (1, 0)$ ;  $:= d\bar{z}_\alpha$  if  $(p, q) = (0, 1)$ ;  $:= \Omega$  if  $(p, q) = (1, 1)$ . Here  $\phi_\alpha e_\alpha$  is a basis of  $A(L)$  over  $W_\alpha$ . Denote by  $K$  the Gauss curvature of the metric  $\{h_\alpha\}$  on  $L$ , i.e.  $\Theta = K\Omega$ . By direct computation, we have the following formulas: For  $f \in A^{0,0}(L)$ ,

$$\square f = (\square_0 f_\alpha) \phi_\alpha e_\alpha.$$

For  $f \in A^{1,0}(L)$ ,

$$\square f = \left( (\square_0 + \frac{2}{r_\alpha} \frac{\partial \log r_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha}) f_\alpha \right) \phi_\alpha e_\alpha.$$

For  $f \in A^{0,1}(L)$ ,

$$\square f = \left( (\square_0 + \frac{2}{r_\alpha} \frac{\partial \log r_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} + [K + \frac{2}{r_\alpha} \frac{\partial \log r_\alpha}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} \frac{\partial \log h_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha}]) f_\alpha \right) \phi_\alpha e_\alpha.$$

For  $f \in A^{1,1}(L)$ ,

$$\square f = \{(\square_0 + K) f_\alpha\} \phi_\alpha e_\alpha.$$

The above computations are straightforward, but the above(last) formula is very important in the proof of the vanishing theorems, so we derive this formula here: Let  $f = f_\alpha \Omega e_\alpha$ . From the definition

$$\begin{aligned} \square f &= (\bar{\partial} \bar{\partial}^* + \bar{\partial}^* \bar{\partial}) f = \bar{\partial} \bar{\partial}^* f = -\bar{\partial} \star D'_L(f_\alpha e_\alpha) \\ &= -\bar{\partial} \star (\partial f_\alpha + f_\alpha \theta_\alpha) e_\alpha \\ &= \sqrt{-1} (\bar{\partial} \partial f_\alpha + \bar{\partial} f_\alpha \wedge \theta_\alpha + f_\alpha \bar{\partial} \theta_\alpha) e_\alpha \\ &= \sqrt{-1} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} d\bar{z}_\alpha \wedge dz_\alpha + \frac{\partial \log h_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha} \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} d\bar{z}_\alpha \wedge dz_\alpha + f_\alpha \Theta \right) e_\alpha \\ &= (\square_0 + K) f_\alpha \Omega e_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

In summary, for any  $f = f_\alpha \phi_\alpha e_\alpha$ ,

$$\square f = \tilde{f}_\alpha \phi_\alpha e_\alpha$$

where

$$\tilde{f}_\alpha = -\frac{2}{r_\alpha} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} + k_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_\alpha} + k_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_\alpha} + k_3 \right) f_\alpha$$

In above, the principal part is

$$-\frac{2}{r_\alpha} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} = -\frac{2}{r_\alpha} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_\alpha^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_\alpha^2} \right).$$

Since  $-\frac{2}{r_\alpha} < 0$ ,  $\square$  is an elliptic operator. This is why the Hodge theory works.

## 8.2 The Hodge Theorem

**Harmonic forms:** Write

$$\mathcal{H}^{p,q}(L) = \{f \in A^{p,q}(L) \mid \square f = 0\}.$$

$\mathcal{H}^{p,q}(L)$  is called the space of harmonic  $(p, q)$ -forms. Denote

$$\mathcal{H}(L) = \bigoplus \mathcal{H}^{p,q}(L).$$

**Theorem** (Hodge theorem). *Let  $(L, H)$  be a Hermitian line bundle over a Hermitian compact Riemann surface  $(M, G)$ . Then*

- (1)  $\mathcal{H}(L)$  is a finite dimensional space.
- (2) There is an operator  $G$ , called the Green operator of  $\square$ ,  $G : A(L) \rightarrow A(L)$  such that  $\ker(G) = \mathcal{H}(L)$ ,  $G(A^{p,q}) \subset A^{p,q}$  (i.e.  $G$  keeps the type,  $G$  commutes with  $\bar{\partial}$ ,  $\bar{\partial}^*$ ,  $\square G(\omega) = G \square(\omega)$  for  $\forall \omega \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ).
- (3)  $A(L) = \mathcal{H}(L) \oplus \square G A(L) = \mathcal{H}(L) \oplus G \square A(L)$ .

**Remark:** The above decomposition means that for any  $\sigma \in A(L)$ ,  $(\sigma - G \square \sigma) \in \mathcal{H}(L)$ . If we define  $H\sigma := \sigma - G \square \sigma$ , then it is the orthogonal projection  $A(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(L)$ . Hence we can write

$$\sigma = H\sigma + G \square \sigma.$$

Such expression is unique. Since  $\bar{\partial} G = G \bar{\partial}$  and  $\bar{\partial}^* G = G \bar{\partial}^*$ , we have

$$\sigma = H\sigma + G \square \sigma = H\sigma + \bar{\partial}(\bar{\partial}^* G \sigma) + \bar{\partial}^*(\bar{\partial} G \sigma).$$

Hence we have the following decomposition

$$A^{p,q}(L) = \mathcal{H}^{p,q}(L) \oplus \bar{\partial} A^{p,q-1}(L) \oplus \bar{\partial}^* A^{p,q+1}(L).$$

**Corollary**

$$H^q(M, \Omega^p(L)) = \mathcal{H}^{p,q}(L).$$

*Proof.* By Dolbeaulty theorem,

$$H^q(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong \frac{\bar{\partial} \text{ closed } L \text{ valued smooth } (p, q) \text{ - forms}}{\bar{\partial} \text{ exact } L \text{ valued smooth } (p, q) \text{ - forms}}.$$

When  $q = 0$ , by above,  $H^0(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong \{f \in A^{p,q}(L) \mid \bar{\partial}f = 0\}$ . In this case,  $f \in A^{p,-1}(L) = \{0\}$  so that  $\bar{\partial}^*f = 0$ . Hence  $f \in \mathcal{H}^{p,0}(L)$ . Thus  $H^0(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong \mathcal{H}^{p,0}(L)$ . When  $q = 1$ , By Dolbeault theorem,

$$H^1(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong A^{p,1}(L)/\bar{\partial}A^{p,0}(L).$$

Notice any  $f \in A^{p,1}(L)$  must be  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed by consideration of degree. By Hodge theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} A^{p,1}(L) &= \mathcal{H}^{p,1}(L) \oplus G(\bar{\partial}^*\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*)A^{p,1}(L) \\ &= \mathcal{H}^{p,1}(L) \oplus G\bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*A^{p,1}(L) \\ &= \mathcal{H}^{p,1}(L) \oplus \bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*GA^{p,1}(L) \subset \mathcal{H}^{p,1}(L) \oplus \bar{\partial}A^{p,0}(L) \end{aligned}$$

because  $\bar{\partial}^*GA^{p,1}(L) \subset \bar{\partial}^*A^{p,1}(L) \subset A^{p,0}(L)$ . Since  $\mathcal{H}^{p,1}(L) \oplus \bar{\partial}A^{p,0}(L) \subset A^{p,1}(L)$ , we have

$$A^{p,1}(L) = \mathcal{H}^{p,1} \oplus \bar{\partial}A^{p,0}(L).$$

Therefore

$$H^1(M, \Omega^p(L)) \cong \mathcal{H}^{p,1} \oplus \bar{\partial}A^{p,0}(L),$$

which finishes the proof.

Recall for any divisor  $D$  on  $M$ ,

$$h^0(D) = \dim H^0(M, \mathcal{O}([D])),$$

$$i(D) = \dim H^0(M, \Omega^1(-[D])).$$

We have, from the Hodge theorem, that

$$h^0(D), i(D) < \infty.$$

### 8.3 The Proof of the Hodge Theorem

To prove the theorem, basically we need to show two things: (1):  $\mathcal{H}(L)$  is a **finite dimensional vector space**, (2): Write  $(L) = \mathcal{H}(L) \oplus \mathcal{H}^\perp(L)$ , where  $\mathcal{H}^\perp(L)$  is the orthogonal complement of  $\mathcal{H}$  with respect to  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ , we need to show that  $\square : \mathcal{H}^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^\perp$  **and**  $\square$  **is one-to-one and onto**. (note that: for every  $\phi \in A(L), \psi \in \mathcal{H}, (\square\phi, \psi) = (\phi, \square\psi) = 0$ , so  $\square\phi \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . Hence  $\square : \mathcal{H}^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ). Once (1) and (2) are proved, then we take  $G|_{\mathcal{H}} = 0$ , and  $G|_{\mathcal{H}^\perp} = \square^{-1}$ . This will prove the Hodge theorem. To do so, we first note that the operator  $\square$ , as shown above, is positive (i.e. its eigenvalues are all positive). So  $\square$  is an elliptic self-adjoint operator. We therefore use the ‘‘theory of elliptic (self-adjoint) differential operator’’ (the Hodge theorem holds for general elliptic (self-adjoint) differential operators, not only to  $\square$ , this is part of the PDE theory). To do so, we need first introduce the concept of ‘‘Sobolov space’’.



Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^n$  be an open subset. Let  $L^2(G)$  be the space of complex valued functions with

$$\int_G \|f\|^2 dx < \infty.$$

It is a Hilbert space. For  $f \in L^2(G)$ , if there is  $g \in L^2(G)$  such that for any  $h \in C_0^\infty(G)$  (test function) such that

$$(f, D^\alpha h) = (-1)^{|\alpha|} (g, h)$$

where  $(f, g) = \int_G f \bar{g} dx$ ,  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$  and  $D^\alpha h = \frac{\partial^\alpha h}{\partial_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_n^{\alpha_n}}$ ,  $|\alpha| = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i$ , then we say  $g$  is the  $\alpha$ -th order weak (or general) derivative, and is still denoted by  $D^\alpha f$ . Let  $s$  be a nonnegative integer. Because  $C_0^\infty(G)$  is dense in  $L^2(G)$ , we can define a norm on  $C_0^\infty(G)$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_s$  by

$$\|f\|_s^2 := \sum_{|\alpha| \leq s} \|D^\alpha f\|^2.$$

The complete extension of  $C_0^\infty(G)$  with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_s$  in  $L^2(G)$  is denoted by  $H_s(\Omega)$  is called the Sobolev space. The definition extends trivially on on  $A(L)$ .

We use the following three facts (proofs are omitted):

- **Garding's inequality:** *There exist constant  $c_1, c_2 > 0$ , such that for every  $f \in A(L)$ , we have*

$$(\square f, f) \geq c_1 \|f\|_1^2 - c_2 \|f\|_0^2.$$

**Remark:** This is a variant of so-called *Bocher technique*.

To state the second fact, we introduce the concept of *weak derivative*: Write  $P = \partial + \bar{\partial}^*$  and  $\square = P^2$ . For  $\phi \in H_s(M)$  and  $\psi \in H_t(M)$ , we say  $P\phi = \psi$  (weak), if for every test form  $f \in A(L)$  (i.e. smooth with compact support), we have  $(\phi, Pf) = (\psi, f)$ . If  $\phi \in H_s(M)$ ,  $\psi \in H_t(M)$ , and  $P\phi = \psi$  (weak), we denote it by  $P\phi \in H_t(M)$ .

- **Regularity of the operator  $\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}^*$ :** *If  $f \in H_0(L)$ ,  $g \in A(L)$ , and  $(\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}^*)f = g$ , then  $f \in A(L)$ .*
- **Rellich Lemma:** *If  $\{\phi_i\} \subset A(L)$  is bounded in the  $\|\cdot\|_1$ , then it has a Cauchy subsequence with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$ .*

The above theorem about the regularity of the operator  $\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}^*$  implies the following lemma

- **The weak form of the Wyle lemma:** *If  $\phi \in H_1(M)$ , and  $g \in A(L)$  with  $\square f = g$  (weak) with  $f \in A(L)$ .*

*Proof of the Hodge Theorem:* We first prove that  $\mathcal{H}(L)$  is a finite dimensional vector space. If not, there exists an infinite orthonormal set  $\{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n, \dots\}$ . By Garding's inequality, there exist constants  $c_1, c_2$  such that for all  $i$ , we have

$$\|\omega_i\|_1^2 \leq \frac{1}{c_1} \{(\square\omega_i, \omega_i) + c_2\|\omega_i\|_0^2\} = \frac{c_2}{c_1}.$$

Thus  $\{\omega_i\}$  is bounded set with respect to  $\|\cdot\|_1$ . By Rellich Lemma,  $\{\omega_i\}$  must have a Cauchy subsequence with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$ , which is impossible, since  $\|\omega_i - \omega_j\|_0^2 = 2$  for  $i \neq j$ . This proves that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a **finite dimensional vector space**.

Next, write

$$A(L) = \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}^\perp,$$

where  $\mathcal{H}^\perp$  is the orthogonal complement of  $\mathcal{H}$  with respect to  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ . We now prove a simpler version of Garding's inequality.

**Garding's Lemma** *Let  $\mathcal{H}^\perp(L)$  is the orthogonal complement of  $\mathcal{H}(L)$  in  $A(L)$  with respect to the inner product. Then there exists a constant  $C_0$  such that*

$$\|f\|_1^2 \leq C_0(\square f, f), \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}^\perp(L).$$

*Proof.* If not, there exists a sequence  $f_i \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$  with  $\|f_i\|_1 = 1$  and  $(\square f_i, f_i) \rightarrow 0$ . From Rellich lemma, we assume, WLOG, that  $f_i$  is convergent with respect to  $\|\cdot\|_0$ , i.e. there exists  $F \in H_0(M)$  such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} \|F - f_i\|_0 = 0$ . We claim that  $F = 0$ . In fact, from above,  $(\square f_i, f_i) = \|Pf_i\|_0^2 \rightarrow 0$ , hence for every  $\phi \in A(L)$ ,

$$(F, P\phi) = \lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} (f_i, P\phi) = \lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} (Pf_i - \phi) = 0.$$

Hence  $PF = 0$  (weak). From the regularity of  $P$ , we have  $F \in A(L)$ . Hence

$$\square F = P(PF) = 0,$$

so  $F \in \mathcal{H}$ . Also, since  $f_i \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , we have, for every  $\phi \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$(F, \phi) = \lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} (f_i, \phi) = 0,$$

so  $F \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . Thus  $F \in \mathcal{H} \cap \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . This implies that  $F = 0$ . This means that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} \|f_i\|_0 = 0$ . Now, by the Garding inequality, There exist constant  $c_1, c_2 > 0$ , such that

$$(\square f_i, f_i) \geq c_1\|f_i\|_1^2 - c_2\|f_i\|_0^2.$$

Because, from above, both  $(\square f_i, f_i)$  and  $\|f_i\|_0^2$  converge to zero, so  $\lim_{i \rightarrow +\infty} \|f_i\|_1 = 0$ , which contradicts the assumption that  $\|f_i\|_1 = 1$ . This proves Garding's lemma.

We now prove that  $\square : \mathcal{H}^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^\perp$  and  $\square$  is one-to-one and onto.

First we show that  $\square : \mathcal{H}^\perp \subset \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . In fact, for every  $\phi \in A(L), \psi \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$(\square\phi, \psi) = (\phi, \square\psi) = 0,$$

so  $\square\phi \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . To show  $\square$  is one-to-one, let  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , and assume that  $\square\phi_1 = \square\phi_2$ . Then, from one hand,  $\phi_1 - \phi_2 \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . On the other hand, since  $\square(\phi_1 - \phi_2) = 0$ ,  $\phi_1 - \phi_2 \in \mathcal{H}$ . Hence  $\phi_1 = \phi_2$ . It remains to show that  $\square$  is onto. i.e. for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , there exists  $\phi \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$  such that  $\square\phi = f$ . This gets down to solve the differential equation  $\square\phi = f$  (with unknown  $\phi$ ). Let  $B$  be the closure of  $\mathcal{H}^\perp$  in  $H_1(M)$ . From Wyle's theorem, we only need to solve  $\square\phi = f$  in the weak sense, i.e. there exists  $\phi \in B$  such that, for every  $g \in A(L)$  with compact support,

$$(\phi, \square g) = (f, g).$$

Since  $A(L) = \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , we can write  $g = g_1 + g_2$  where  $g_1 \in \mathcal{H}, g_2 \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ . So the above identity is equivalent to every  $g_2 \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ,

$$(\phi, \square g_2) = (f, g_2).$$

So the proof is reduced to the following statement: *for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , there exists  $\phi \in B$  such that, for every  $g \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ,*

$$(\phi, \square g) = (f, g).$$

We now use the **Riesz representation** theorem to prove this statement. In fact, for every  $\phi, \psi \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ , define  $[\phi, \psi] = (\phi, \square\psi)$ , and consider the linear transformation  $l : B \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  defined by  $l(g) = (f, g)$  for every  $g \in B$ . Our goal is to show that we can extend  $[\ , \ ]$  to  $B$  such that  $l$  is continuous with respect to  $[\ , \ ]$  (or bounded). Then by **Riesz representation** theorem, there exists  $\phi \in B$  such that, for every  $g \in B$  (in particular for  $g \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ),

$$l(g) = [\phi, g].$$

This will prove our statement. To extend  $[\ , \ ]$ , we compare  $[\ , \ ]$  with  $(\ , \ )_1$ . From definition,  $[\ , \ ]$  is bilinear. From Garding's inequality, for every  $\phi \in \mathcal{H}^\perp$ ,

$$[\phi, \phi] = (\phi, \square\phi) \geq \frac{1}{c_0} \|\phi\|_1^2.$$

On the other hand,

$$[\phi, \phi] = (\phi, \square\phi) = \|P\phi\|_0.$$

By direct verification, we have, for every  $\phi \in A(L)$ ,

$$\|P\phi\|_0^2 \leq c\|\phi\|_1^2.$$

Hence

$$[\phi, \phi] \leq c\|\phi\|_1^2.$$

So  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  and  $(\cdot, \cdot)_1$  are equivalent on  $\mathcal{H}^\perp$ . So there exists a unique continuation on  $B$ , and for every  $g \in B$ , we have

$$[g, g] \geq \frac{1}{c_0} \|g\|_1^2.$$

To show that  $l$  is continuous with respect to  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  (or bounded), we notice that

$$|l(g)| = |(f, g)| \leq \|f\|_0 \|g\|_0 \leq \|f\|_0 \|g\|_1 \leq \sqrt{c_0} \|f\|_0 \sqrt{[g, g]}.$$

So the claim is proved. This finishes the proof that  $\square$  is onto.

To prove Hodge's theorem, since, from above,  $\square : \mathcal{H}^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^\perp$  is one-to-one and onto, we let  $G : A(L) \rightarrow A(L)$  be defined as follows:  $G|_{\mathcal{H}} = 0$ , and  $G|_{\mathcal{H}^\perp} = \square^{-1}$ . Then we see that  $\ker G = \mathcal{H}$  and  $I = \mathcal{H} + \square \circ G$ . The rest of properties are also easy to verify. This finishes the proof.

# Chapter 9

## Some Further Results

### 9.1 The computation of $H^2(M, \mathbf{C})$

Recall that, for an Hermitian line bundle  $(L, h)$ , we have  $c_1(L, h) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2p} \Theta$  and for any metric  $h, h'$  on  $L$ ,  $\Theta - \Theta'$  is  $d$ -exact, hence  $c(L) := [c_1(L, h)] \in H_{DR}^2(M) \cong H^2(M, \mathbf{C})$ . We now define a "evaluation" homomorphism

$$[M] : H^2(M, \mathbf{C}) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$$

$$\eta \mapsto \eta[M] = \int_M \eta.$$

It is well-defined since if  $[\eta] = [\eta']$ , then  $\eta - \eta' = d\omega$ , hence

$$\int (\eta - \eta') = 0$$

by stokes theorem.

**Theorem** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface, then  $H^2(M, \mathbf{C}) \cong \mathbf{C}$ .*

To prove the above theroem, it is easy to see the map  $[M]$  is onto, since if  $\Omega$  is the volume form of an Hermitian metric on  $M$ , then  $\Omega > 0$  so  $\int_M \Omega = v > 0$ . So for any  $t \in \mathbf{C}$ ,

$$\left( \frac{t}{v} \Omega \right) [M] = t.$$

To prove it is one-to-one, we need the following  $\bar{\partial}\partial$ -lemma.

To state and prove the  $\bar{\partial}\partial$ -lemma, we first recall the Hodge theory: Fix a Hermitian metric  $G$  on  $M$  and  $H = \{h_\alpha\}$  on  $L$ , and let  $\Omega$  be the volume form of  $G$ . we claim that, for any  $L$ -valued  $(1, 1)$ -form  $\omega$ ,

$$\square\omega = \Omega(\square \star \omega) + \sqrt{-1}\Theta(\star\omega), \quad (1)$$

where  $\Theta$  is the curvature form of  $\{h_\alpha\}$ . Here is the proof: Write  $\omega = \omega_\alpha \Omega e_\alpha$ , then from what we have proved earlier,  $\square\omega = (\square_0\omega_\alpha)\Omega e_\alpha + K\omega_\alpha\Omega e_\alpha$ . But  $\star\omega = \omega_\alpha e_\alpha$ ,  $K\Omega = \sqrt{-1}\Theta$ , and in the third formula proved earlier,  $\square\star\omega = (\square_0\omega_\alpha)e_\alpha$ . Hence the claim holds.

We now consider the special case of the Hodge theorem when  $L = \mathcal{O}$ , the trivial line bundle. In this case, we have

$$A = \mathcal{H} \oplus \square GA$$

where  $A$  is the set of all smooth forms. Since  $L$  is trivial,  $\Theta = 0$ , and  $D' = \partial$ , so  $\bar{\partial}^* = -\star\partial\star$ , so if  $\omega$  is a smooth (1,1)-form and write  $\omega = f\Omega$  where  $f$  is a smooth function on  $M$ , then (1) implies that

$$\square\omega = (\square f)\Omega.$$

Hence  $\square\omega = 0 \Leftrightarrow \square f = 0 \Leftrightarrow f$  is constant since  $M$  is compact. Hence

$$\mathcal{H} = \{S\Omega : S \in \mathbf{C}\},$$

where  $\mathcal{H}$  is the set of all harmonic 1-forms.

**Lemma**( $\bar{\partial}\partial$ -lemma). *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemann surface,  $\phi$  is a real (1,1)-form and  $\int_M \phi = 0$ . Then there is a real valued function  $h$  on  $M$  such that  $\phi = \bar{\partial}\partial(ih)$ .*

*Proof.* We first prove that  $\phi \perp \mathcal{H}$ . To do so, we only need to check, by above discussion,  $(\phi, \Omega) = 0$ . From the definition,

$$(\phi, \Omega) = \int_M \phi \wedge \star\bar{\Omega} = \int_M \phi \wedge \star\Omega = \int_M \phi = 0.$$

So  $\phi \in \square GA$ , i.e. there is a smooth (1,1)-form  $\phi_0$  such that  $\phi = \square G\phi_0$ . Since  $G$  preserves the type,  $\phi_1 := G\phi_0$  is still a (1,1)-form, and  $\phi = \square\phi_1$ . Because  $\bar{\partial}\phi = 0$  (there is no (1,2)-forms on  $M$ ),

$$\phi = \square\phi_1 = \bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*\phi_1 = -\bar{\partial}\star\partial\star\phi_1.$$

Let  $k := \star\phi_1$ , then  $k$  is a function, and since  $\partial k$  is (1,0)-form,  $\star k = -i\partial k$  by definition. Thus  $\phi = \bar{\partial}\partial(ik)$ . Now we use the fact that  $\phi$  is real, so write  $k = h + ih'$ , then, since  $\bar{\partial}\partial = -\partial\bar{\partial}$ , we have

$$\phi = \bar{\partial}\partial(ih) - \bar{\partial}\partial h'$$

$$\bar{\phi} = \bar{\partial}\partial(ih) + \bar{\partial}\partial h'.$$

By adding the above two together and using  $\bar{\phi} = \phi$ , we get  $\phi = \bar{\partial}\partial(ih)$ . This proves the theorem.

**Corollary.** *If  $\phi$  is a (1,1)-form and  $\int_M \phi = 0$ . Then  $\phi$  is exact.*

We now ready to finish the proof that

$$[M] : H^2(M, \mathbf{C}) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$$

$$\eta \mapsto \eta[M] = \int_M \eta$$

is an isomorphism. It remains to prove that  $[M]$  is 1-1. Let  $\phi$  with  $[M](\phi) = 0$ , then from above Corollary,  $\phi$  is exact, so  $[\phi] = 0$ , This proves that  $[M]$  is 1-1. So the proof is finished.

## 9.2 Existence of Positivity of Hermitian line bundles

A (1,1)-form  $\omega$  is real  $\iff$  locally,  $\omega = f \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} dz \wedge d\bar{z}$  with  $f$  being a real valued function.  $\omega$  is said to be positive (denoted by  $\omega > 0$  if  $f > 0$ ).

Recall that for an Hermitian line bundle  $L$  with metric  $\{h_\alpha\}$ , its curvature form is  $\Theta = \bar{\partial}\partial \log h_\alpha$ , hence the first Chern form is

$$c_1(L, h) := \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2p} \Theta = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\partial^2 \log h_\alpha}{\partial z_\alpha \partial \bar{z}_\alpha} \left( \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} dz_\alpha \wedge d\bar{z}_\alpha \right)$$

which is a real (1, 1)-form.  $L$  is said to be positive, denoted by  $L > 0$  if there is an hermitian metric  $h$  on  $M$  such that  $c_1(L, h) > 0$ . The following discuss various equivalent notions of positivity.

**Lemma.** *Let  $M$  be a compact R.S, and  $L$  be a line bundle. Let  $\psi \in C(L)$  be a real (1,1) form, then there is a (smooth) Hermitian metric  $h$  on  $L$  such that its curvature form  $\Psi$  satisfies  $\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Psi = \psi$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $h = \{h_\alpha\}$  be an Hermitian metric on  $L$  and  $\Theta$  is its curvature form. Then  $\psi$  and  $\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta$  belongs to the same class in  $C(L)$ . Hence  $\psi - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta$  is an exact real (1,1)-form. By the  $\bar{\partial}\partial$ -lemma, there is real-valued function  $\tilde{f}$  on  $M$  such that

$$\psi = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2p} \Theta + \bar{\partial}\partial(i\tilde{f}).$$

Let  $f := \exp(2\pi\tilde{f})$ , then

$$\psi = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta + \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \bar{\partial}\partial \log f = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \bar{\partial}\partial \log(fh_\alpha).$$

Since  $f > 0$ ,  $fh_\alpha$  is also a metric on  $L$ . This proves the lemma.

Using the above lemma, let  $\Omega$  be the volume form of the an Hermitian metric  $G$  on  $M$ , then, for a compact Riemann surface  $M$ , we have the following alternative definition about the positivity of  $L$ :

**Theorem;** *Let  $L$  be a line bundle on  $M$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

(a)  $L > 0$ ,

(b)  $C(L)$  (the Chern class) has a positive  $(1,1)$ -form.

(c) There is  $S > 0$  such that  $S\Omega \in C(L)$  where  $\Omega$  is the volume form of an Hermitian metric  $G$  on  $M$ .

(d)  $C(L)(M) > 0$ .

*Proof.* We shall prove that  $(a) \Leftrightarrow (d) \Leftrightarrow (c) \Leftrightarrow (b) \Leftrightarrow (a)$ .  $(a) \Leftrightarrow (d)$  is true directly from the definition. To show  $(d) \Leftrightarrow (c)$ , Let  $C(L)[M] = t > 0$ , and let  $v = \int_M \Omega$ ,  $S = t/v$ . Then  $[S\Omega][M] = t$ , from the fact that  $[M]$  is an isomorphism,  $[S\Omega] = C(L)$ .  $(c) \Leftrightarrow (b)$  is trivial.  $(b) \Leftrightarrow (a)$  can be derive from above lemma. This finished the proof.

### 9.3 The vanishing theorem

**Theorem**(Vanishing theorem). *Let  $L$  be a holomorphic line bundle. Then*

(a) *If  $L > 0$ , then  $H^1(M, \Omega^1(L)) = 0$ ,*

(b) *If  $L - K > 0$ , then  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Assume  $G$  is an Hermitian metric on  $M$ , and  $\Omega$  is its volume form. Since  $L > 0$ , from Lemma above, there is  $S \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $S > 0$  such that  $S\Omega \in C(L)$ . So, from lemma, there is a metric  $\{g_\alpha\}$  on  $L$  such that its curvature form  $\Theta$  satisfies

$$\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta = S\Omega.$$

From the Hodge theorem, we only need to show that any  $L$ -values harmonic  $(1,1)$ -form  $\omega$  vanishes. In deed, from

$$0 = \square\omega = \Omega(\square \star \omega) + 2\pi S\Omega(\star\omega) = \Omega\{(\square \star \omega) + 2\pi S(\star\omega)\}.$$

Hence  $\square \star \omega + 2\pi S \star \omega = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= ((\square \star \omega + 2\pi S \star \omega, \star\omega) = (\square \star \omega) + 2\pi S(\star\omega, \star\omega) \\ &= (\bar{\partial} \star \omega, \bar{\partial} \star \omega) + (\bar{\partial}^* \star \omega, \bar{\partial}^* \star \omega) + 2\pi S(\star\omega, \star\omega). \end{aligned}$$



Thus  $2\pi S(\star\omega, \star\omega) = 0$ . Since  $S > 0$ , this implies that  $\star\omega = 0$ . So  $\omega = 0$ . This proves (a).

(b) Notice that  $\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(K - K + L) = \Omega^1(L - K)$ , hence  $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) = H^1(M, \Omega^1(L - K)) = 0$ . This finishes the proof.

We using this vanishing theorem, as we discussed before, we can prove the imbedding theorem (by using the exact-sequence): *If  $L > 0$ , then there is an integer  $m > 0$  such that  $\phi_{mL}$  gives  $M$  an embedding.* The higher dimensional result is due to Kodaira and his method is similar to what we have discussed here.

## Part III

# The Theory of Complex Geometry

## Chapter 10

# Differential Geometry of Complex Manifolds

### 10.1 Hermitian Metrics; Kahler Structure

**Definition 10.1.** A Hermitian metric, denoted by  $ds^2$ , is a set of inner-product  $\{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p\}_{p \in M}$  such that

(1). For  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$  is a Hermitian inner product on  $T_p^{(1,0)}(M)$ , i.e.  $\forall \eta, \zeta \in T_p^{1,0}(M), \forall c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\langle \xi, \xi \rangle > 0$ , as  $\xi \neq 0$ ;  $\langle c_1\xi + c_2\zeta, \zeta \rangle = c_1\langle \xi, \zeta \rangle + c_2\langle \eta, \zeta \rangle$  and  $\langle \xi, \eta \rangle = \overline{\langle \eta, \xi \rangle}$ .

(2). If  $\xi, \eta$  are  $C^\infty$  section of  $T^{1,0}(M)$  over an open set  $U$ , then  $\langle \xi, \zeta \rangle$  is the  $C^\infty$  function on  $U$ .

If  $z^1, \dots, z^n$  is a local coordinate system of  $M$ , then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}, 1 \leq i \leq n$ , are holomorphic sections on this local coordinates neighborhood  $U$ , and

$$g_{i,\bar{j}} = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z^{\bar{j}}} \right\rangle; \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n$$

is the  $C^\infty$  function on  $U$  with  $g_{i,\bar{j}} = \overline{g_{j,\bar{i}}}$ . We can write this Hermitian metric as  $ds^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n g_{i,\bar{j}} dz^i \otimes d\bar{z}^j$ . Since  $\langle \xi, \xi \rangle > 0$  for  $\xi \neq 0$ , the matrix  $g = (g_{i,\bar{j}})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} > 0$ , i.e.,  $g = (g_{i,\bar{j}})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  is a positive definite Hermitian matrix.

A complex manifold with a given Hermitian metric is said to be a *Hermitian manifold*.

We can prove that given any complex manifold  $M$ , we can introduce an Hermitian metric on  $M$ .

**Definition 10.2.** The linear operator  $D : \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)}) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{A}^1(M) \otimes T^{(1,0)})$  is a connection if  $D$  satisfies

$$D(fs) = df \otimes S + fDs,$$

for  $\forall s \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$  and  $f$  is a smooth function on  $M$ , where  $\mathcal{A}^1(M)$  is the set of smooth 1-forms on  $M$ .

In terms of local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ , we write

$$D \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_i^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j},$$

where  $\omega = (\omega_i^j)$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix whose entries are all 1-forms.  $\omega$  is called the *connection matrix*. For  $\xi \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ , in terms of local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ , write  $\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ . Then

$$D\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n d\xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi^i \omega_i^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j}.$$

We can make the requirements that dictate a canonical choice of the connection: (1). If we split  $\mathcal{A}^1(M) = \mathcal{A}^{1,0} \oplus \mathcal{A}^{0,1}$  and write  $D = D' + D''$ , where  $D' : \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{1,0} \otimes \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ . We say a connection  $D$  is **compatible with the complex structure** if  $D'' = \bar{\partial}$ .

(2).  $D$  is said to be compatible with the Hermitian metric if

$$d \langle \xi, \eta \rangle = \langle D\xi, \eta \rangle + \langle \xi, D\eta \rangle$$

where  $\xi, \eta \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ . Write  $D' = dz^i \otimes \nabla_i$ , then  $\nabla_i$  is called the *covariant derivative*.

This connection  $D$  is called a *Hermitian connection* on  $M$  (with respect to the metric  $g$ ). We can show that such connection exists and is unique. Furthermore, we claim that curvature matrix  $\omega$  under the natural frame  $(\frac{\partial}{\partial z^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial z^n})$  is

$$\omega = \partial g \cdot g^{-1}.$$

**Proof.** Since

$$\begin{aligned} dg_{i\bar{j}} &= \left\langle D \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}, D \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \omega_k^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}, \omega_k^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} \right\rangle \\ &= \omega_k^i g_{k\bar{j}} + \bar{\omega}_k^j g_{i\bar{k}}. \end{aligned}$$

$D$  is the Hermitian connection implies that  $\omega$  is the matrix of forms of  $(1,0)$ -type, so the above yields  $\partial g = \omega g$ , or  $\omega = \partial g \cdot g^{-1}$ . This finishes the proof.

In terms of local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ , we write

$$\omega_j^i = \Gamma_{jk}^i dz^k$$

where the functions  $\Gamma_{ji}^k$  are called the *Christoffel symbols*. From above,  $\Gamma_{ik}^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{i}j}$ . For  $\xi \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ , in terms of local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ , write  $\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} D'\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^n \partial \xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi^i \omega_i^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial z^k} dz^k \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi^i \Gamma_{ik}^j dz^k \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial z^k} + \xi^i \Gamma_{ik}^j \right) dz^k \right) \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j}. \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\nabla_k \xi = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial z^k} + \xi^i \Gamma_{ik}^j \right) \right) \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j}.$$

If we write

$$\nabla_k \xi^j = \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial z^k} + \sum_{i=1}^n \Gamma_{ik}^j \xi^i$$

then

$$\nabla_k \xi = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \nabla_k \xi^j \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j}.$$

Note that, for covariant tensor field  $\{\xi^j\}$ , the resulting  $\{\nabla_k \xi^j\}$  (when  $i$  is fixed) is still a covariant tensor field.

The connection also extends naturally to all kind of tensors (using the musical isomorphisms). In particular, if, for  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j dz^j$  (contra-variant tensor field), then

$$\nabla_i \omega = \left( \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^i} - \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k f_k \right) dz^j,$$

or simply

$$\nabla_i f_j = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^i} - \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k f_k.$$

We extend the connection operator  $D : \Gamma(M, \mathcal{A}^k(M) \otimes T^{(1,0)}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{A}^{k+1} \otimes T^{(1,0)})$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq 2n$ , using the Leibnitz's rule

$$D(\psi \otimes \xi) = d\psi \otimes \xi + (-1)^k \psi \wedge D\xi$$

where  $\psi \in \mathcal{A}^k(M)$  is a smooth  $k$ -form and  $\xi \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ .

In particular, we discuss  $D^2 : \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)} \otimes T_{\mathbb{C}}^{2*})$ . Let  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  and  $\sigma \in \Gamma(M, T^{(1,0)})$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} D^2(f\sigma) &= D(df \otimes \sigma + fD\sigma) \\ &= -df \otimes D\sigma + dfD\sigma + fD^2\sigma = fD^2\sigma, \end{aligned}$$

which indicated an important property that  $D^2$  is linear over  $C^\infty(M)$ .

In terms of local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ , we write

$$D^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \Omega_j^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j},$$

where  $\Omega$  is called the *connection matrix*.

Write  $\xi = (\partial/\partial z^1, \dots, \partial/\partial z^n)^t$ , then  $D\xi = \omega \otimes \xi$  and

$$\begin{aligned} D^2\xi &= D(\omega \otimes \xi) = d\omega \otimes \xi - \omega \wedge D\xi \\ &= d\omega \otimes \xi - (\omega \wedge \omega) \otimes \xi. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\Omega = d\omega - \omega \wedge \omega = \bar{\partial}(\partial g \cdot g^{-1}) = \bar{\partial}(\omega),$$

where  $g = (g_{ij})$  is the Hermitian metric matrix on  $M$ .

Under the local coordinate  $(z^1, \dots, z^n)$ ,  $\Omega = (\Omega_j^i)$  where  $\Omega_j^i$  is  $(1, 1)$ -form. So

$$\Omega_j^i = R_{j\bar{h}l}^i d\bar{z}^h \wedge dz^l = R_{j\bar{l}h}^i d\bar{z}^l \wedge d\bar{z}^h,$$

where  $R_{j\bar{l}h}^i = -R_{j\bar{h}l}^i$  and

$$\Omega_{\bar{i}j} := g_{s\bar{i}} \Omega_j^s = R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l} d\bar{z}^k \wedge dz^l.$$

$R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l}$  is call the *curvature tensors*, and  $R_{\bar{k}l} : R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l} g^{\bar{i}j}$  is called the *Ricci tensor*, where  $g^{\bar{i}j}$  is the entries of the inverse matrix of  $g$ .

From  $\Omega = \bar{\partial}(\omega)$ ,

$$\Omega_j^i = \bar{\partial}(\sum \Gamma_{jl}^i dz^l) = \sum \bar{\partial}_k \Gamma_{jl}^i d\bar{z}^k \wedge dz^l.$$

Hence

$$R_{j\bar{k}l}^i = \bar{\partial}_k \Gamma_{jl}^i,$$

where

$$\bar{\partial}_k \Gamma_{jl}^i := \frac{\partial \Gamma_{jl}^i}{\partial \bar{z}^k}.$$

From above,  $\Gamma_{lj}^i = g^{\bar{i}i} \partial_l g_{j\bar{i}}$ . Hence

$$R_{j\bar{k}l}^i = \bar{\partial}_k \Gamma_{lk}^i = \sum_t g^{\bar{i}i} \bar{\partial}_k \partial_l g_{j\bar{i}} + \sum_t \bar{\partial}_k g^{\bar{i}i} \partial_l g_{j\bar{i}}.$$

Then,

$$\sum_i g_{i\bar{s}} R_{j\bar{k}l}^i = \sum_{t,i} g_{i\bar{s}} \bar{\partial}_k g^{\bar{i}i} \partial_l g_{j\bar{i}} + \bar{\partial}_k \partial_l g_{j\bar{s}}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i g_{i\bar{s}} g^{\bar{i}i} &= \delta_{\bar{s}}, \\ \sum_i g_{i\bar{s}} \bar{\partial}_k g^{\bar{i}i} &= - \sum_i g_{\bar{i}i} \bar{\partial}_k g^{i\bar{s}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$R_{\bar{s}j\bar{k}l} = \bar{\partial}_k \partial_l g_{\bar{s}j} - \sum_{i,t} g^{\bar{i}i} \bar{\partial}_k g_{i\bar{s}} \partial_l g_{j\bar{i}}.$$

We also have the so-called *Bianchi Equality*:

$$d\Omega = \omega \wedge \Omega - \Omega \wedge \omega.$$

**Proposition 10.3.** *Let  $E$  be a Hermitian vector bundle on a complex manifold  $M$ . For  $\forall p \in M$  there exists a holomorphic local frame  $e$  such that*

- (1)  $h(z) = I + O(|z|^2)$ ,
- (2)  $\Omega(0) = \bar{\partial} \partial h(0)$ .

*Proof.* We first choose a local coordinates  $z^1, \dots, z^n$  such that  $z(p) = (z^1(p), \dots, z^n(p)) = 0$ . There is a non-singular matrix  $B$ , such that  $h(0) = B\bar{B}^t$ . Take the new frame  $f = B^{-1}e$ , then  $\tilde{h}(0) = I$  with the respect to frame  $f$ , and

$$\tilde{h}(z) = I + S(z) + O(|z|^2),$$

where  $S(z)$  is a  $r \times r$  matrix, whose entries are linear functions of  $z^1, \dots, z^n$ , and  $\bar{z}^1, \dots, \bar{z}^n$ . Since  $\tilde{h} = \tilde{h}^t$ ,  $S(z) = \overline{S(\bar{z})}^t$ . Decomposing  $S(z) = S_1(z) + S_2(\bar{z})$ , the entries of  $S_1(z)$  and  $S_2(\bar{z})$  are linear functions of  $z^1, \dots, z^n$  and  $\bar{z}^1, \dots, \bar{z}^n$  respectively. Since

$$\overline{S(z)}^t = \overline{S_1(z)}^t + \overline{S_2(\bar{z})}^t = S_1(z) + S_2(\bar{z}),$$

$$S_1(z) = \overline{S_2(\bar{z})}^t \text{ and } S_2(\bar{z}) = \overline{S_1(z)}^t.$$

We now take the new frame  $e' = (I - S_1(z))f$ . We use  $h'$  to denote the metric matrix with respect to the frame  $e'$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} h' &= (I - S_1(z))(I + S_1(z) + \overline{S_1(z)}^t + O(|z|^2))(I - \overline{S_1(z)}^t) \\ &= I + O(|z|^2), \end{aligned}$$

and it is easy to verify  $(h')^{-1} = I + O(|z|^2)$  in an open neighborhood of  $p$ . So

$$\Omega(z) = \bar{\partial}(\partial h' \cdot h'^{-1}) = \bar{\partial}\partial h + O(|z|)$$

especially

$$\Omega(0) = \bar{\partial}\partial h(0).$$

□

**Definition 10.4.** Let  $M$  be a Hermitian manifold with the metric  $ds^2 = g_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \otimes d\bar{z}^j$ . If the Kähler form

$$\Phi = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} g_{i\bar{j}} dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$$

is closed, i.e.,  $d\Phi = 0$ , then we call  $M$  is a **Kähler manifold**.

**Proposition 10.5.** For a Hermitian manifold  $M$ , the following condition is equivalent

- (1)  $M$  is Kähler;
- (2) If  $w_j^i = \Gamma_{jk}^i dz^k$  is local expression of connection forms, then  $\Gamma_{jk}^i = \Gamma_{kj}^i$ ;
- (3) For  $\forall p \in M$ , there is a  $C^\infty$  function  $\phi$  on an open neighborhood of  $p$ , such that  $\Phi = \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\phi$ ;
- (4) For  $\forall p \in M$ , there exists a local holomorphic coordinate system  $z^1, \dots, z^n$ , such that  $g_{i\bar{j}}(p) = \delta_j^i$ ,  $dg_{i\bar{j}}(p) = 0$ . Such a coordinate is said to be **normal at  $p$** .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2). Since  $d\Phi = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial z^k} dz^k \wedge dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j + \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial \bar{z}^k} d\bar{z}^k \wedge dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$ ,  $d\Phi = 0$  is equivalent to

$$(2.1.1) \quad \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial z^k} = \frac{\partial g_{k\bar{j}}}{\partial z^i}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial \bar{z}^k} = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial \bar{z}^j} \quad \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n.$$

Since  $\omega_i^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{k}j} dz^k$ ,  $\Gamma_{ik}^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{k}j} = \frac{\partial g_{k\bar{i}}}{\partial z^i} g^{\bar{k}j} = \Gamma_{ki}^j; \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq r$ .

(2)  $\longrightarrow$  (1).

$$g_{j\bar{s}} \Gamma_{ik}^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^h} g^{\bar{k}j} g_{j\bar{s}} = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{s}}}{\partial z^k} = g_{j\bar{s}} \Gamma_{ki}^j = g_{j\bar{s}} \frac{\partial g_{k\bar{i}}}{\partial z^i} g^{\bar{k}j} = \frac{\partial g_{k\bar{s}}}{\partial z^i},$$

so we have

$$\frac{\partial g_{i\bar{s}}}{\partial z^k} = \frac{\partial g_{h\bar{s}}}{\partial z^i}; \quad 1 \leq i, j, s \leq n$$



the conjugate of above equality is

$$\frac{\partial g_{s\bar{l}}}{\partial \bar{z}^h} = \frac{\partial g_{s\bar{k}}}{\partial \bar{z}^i}, \quad 1 \leq i, j, s \leq n$$

so (2.1.1) is valid, i.e.  $d\Phi = 0$ .

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) since  $\Phi$  is a real closed (1,1) form, by *Poincaré* theorem, there is a 1-form  $H$  defined in a neighborhood of  $p$  such that  $\Phi = dH$ ,  $H = H^{0,1} + H^{1,0}$  is its decomposition of (0,1) form and (1, 0) form. Since  $\Phi$  is real,

$$H^{0,1} = \bar{H}^{1,0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi = dH &= (\partial + \bar{\partial})(H^{0,1} + H^{1,0}) \\ &= \partial H^{0,1} + \bar{\partial} H^{0,1} + \partial H^{1,0} + \bar{\partial} H^{1,0}. \end{aligned}$$

However,  $\Phi$  is (1,1) form, so  $\partial H^{1,0} = \bar{\partial} H^{0,1} = 0$ . Hence, according to the Dolbeault-Groendick Lemma, there exists a  $C^\infty$  function  $F$  defined in a neighborhood of  $p$ , such that

$$H^{0,1} = \bar{\partial} F \quad \text{and} \quad H^{1,0} = \partial \bar{F}.$$

Then

$$\Phi = \bar{\partial} H^{1,0} + \partial H^{0,1} = \bar{\partial} \partial \bar{F} + \partial \bar{\partial} F = \partial \bar{\partial} (F - \bar{F}) = \sqrt{-1} \partial \bar{\partial} \phi,$$

where  $\phi = 2\text{Im}F$  is a real  $C^\infty$  function.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) is trivial.

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) By a constant linear change of coordinate if necessary, we may assume that the  $z^i(p) = 0$ ;  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $g_{ij}(p) = \delta_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ . Now we define a new holomorphic coordinate  $(\tilde{z}_1, \dots, \tilde{z}_n)$  by

$$\tilde{z}_j = z_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,k=1}^n \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial z^k}(p) z^k z^i.$$

We use  $\tilde{g}$  to denote the metric matrix under  $(\tilde{z}_1, \dots, \tilde{z}_n)$ . Setting

$$\begin{aligned} (2.1.2) \quad b_{ij} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{z}^j}{\partial z^i} = \delta_{ji} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{h,s=1}^n \frac{\partial g_{s\bar{j}}}{\partial z^k}(p) (\delta_{si} z^k + \delta_{ik} z^s) \\ &= \delta_{ji} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_k \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial z^k} z^k + \frac{1}{2} \sum_s \frac{\partial g_{sj}}{\partial z^i} z^s \right) \\ &= \delta_{ji} + \sum_k \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial z^k}(p) z^k \end{aligned}$$

and  $B = (b_{ij})$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\tilde{g} = B^{-1} g \overline{B^{-1}}^t$ . Since  $B(p) = B^{-1}(p) = g(p) = I$ ,

$$d\tilde{g}(p) = (dB^{-1})(p) + dg(p) + (d\overline{B^{-1}}^t)(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -dB(p) + dg(p) - d\bar{B}^t(p) \\
 &= -\partial B(p) + \partial g(p) + \bar{\partial}g^t - \bar{\partial}B^t(p) \\
 &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

the last equality holds because, by (2.1.2),  $\partial g(p) = \partial B(p)$ .

On the other hand, for  $\forall p \in M$ , there exists a local holomorphic coordinate coordinates  $\tilde{z}_1, \dots, \tilde{z}_n$ , such that  $dg(p) = 0$ . Then  $d\Phi(p) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} d\tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}}(p) dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j = 0$ . □

From proposition 2.5, we know that, at any point of a *Kähler* manifold, the local difference between the *Kähler* metric and Euclidean metric of  $C^n$  is the 2 orders infinitesimal, so under the suitable local holomorphic coordinates  $z^1, \dots, z^n$ ,  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $z^i(p) = 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and

$$g(p) = I, \quad dg(p) = 0$$

i.e.  $\partial g(p) = \bar{\partial}g(p) = \bar{\partial}g^{-1}(p) = g^{-1}(p) = 0$ , and

$$\Omega(p) = (\partial\bar{\partial}g)(0).$$

By (3) in proposition 2.5, there is a real  $C^\infty$  function  $\phi$  on the local neighborhood of  $p$ , such that

$$\Phi = i\partial\bar{\partial}\phi$$

so that

$$g_{l\bar{k}} = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \bar{z}^k \partial z^l}, \quad 1 \leq l, k \leq n.$$

Therefore

$$(2.1.3) \quad R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l} = 2 \frac{\partial^4 \phi}{\partial \bar{z}^i \partial z^j \partial \bar{z}^h \partial z^l}(0).$$

So for a *Kähler* manifold, we always have

**Proposition 10.6.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l} &= R_{\bar{k}j\bar{i}l} = R_{\bar{k}l\bar{i}j} = R_{\bar{i}l\bar{k}j} \\
 \overline{R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l}} &= R_{\bar{j}i\bar{l}k}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.6 can be proved by using (2.1.3) and the equality of tensors is independent on the choice of the frame

$$(2.1.4) \quad R_{\bar{i}j} = R_{\bar{i}j\bar{k}l} g^{\bar{k}l} = R_{\bar{k}l\bar{i}j} g^{\bar{k}l} = \bar{\partial}_{\bar{i}}((\partial_j g_{l\bar{k}}) g^{\bar{k}l}).$$

**Proposition 10.7.**  $R_{\bar{i}j} = \partial_{\bar{i}} \partial_j (\log \det g)$

*Proof.* Let  $g = (g_{i\bar{j}})$ . We use  $A_{i\bar{j}}$  to denote the cofactor of  $g_{i\bar{j}}$ , then  $\det g = \sum_{i,j=1}^n g_{i\bar{j}} A_{i\bar{j}}$ . Hence

$$\frac{\partial \det g}{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}} = A_{i\bar{j}} = \det g \cdot g^{\bar{j}i}.$$

So

$$\partial_j \det g = \frac{\partial \det g}{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}} \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^j} = \det g \cdot g^{\bar{k}i} \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^j}.$$

Therefore,

$$\partial_j \log \det g = \sum_{i,k=1}^n \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{k}}}{\partial z^j} g^{\bar{k}i}$$

$$R_{i\bar{j}} = [\partial_{\bar{i}} (\sum_{l,k=1}^n \partial_j \Gamma_{l\bar{k}}^l)] = (\partial_{\bar{i}} \partial_j \det \log g).$$

□

**Definition 10.8.** For  $\forall \xi, \eta \in T_p^{1,0}(M)$ , the **holomorphic bisectional sectional curvature** is

$$(2.1.5) \quad R(\xi \wedge \eta) = -R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}l} \bar{\xi}^i \xi^j \bar{\eta}^k \eta^l / \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_p \langle \eta, \eta \rangle_p$$

where  $\xi = \xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ ,  $\eta = \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ , and  $R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}l}$  is the curvature tensors under the natural frame  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial z^n}$ . The holomorphic **sectional curvature** is

$$(2.1.6) \quad R(\xi) = -R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}l}(p) \bar{\xi}^i \xi^j \bar{\eta}^k \eta^l / \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_p^2.$$

The Ricci curvature is

$$(2.1.7) \quad Ric(\xi) = -R_{i\bar{j}}(p) \bar{\xi}^i \xi^j / \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_p,$$

and the *scalar curvature* at  $p \in M$  is

$$R = -R_{i\bar{j}} g^{\bar{j}i}.$$

For Kahler manifold, we also have, for any  $(p, q)$ -form  $\omega$  on  $M$ ,  $\partial\omega = D'\omega$ .

## 10.2 Hermitian Line and vector bundles

The above concepts can be extended from the tangent bundle  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$  to a general vector bundle.

Recall that a *holomorphic vector bundle*  $E$  over  $M$  is a topological space together with a continuous mapping  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  such that (i)  $E_p = \pi^{-1}(p)$ ;  $\forall p \in$

$M$ , is a linear space with rank  $r$ ; (ii) There exists an open covering  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  of  $M$  and biholomorphic maps  $\phi_\alpha$  with

$$\phi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \xrightarrow{\sim} U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r, \quad \forall \alpha \in I$$

and such that

$$\phi_\alpha : E_p \xrightarrow{\sim} \{p\} \times \mathbb{C}^r \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}^r, \quad \forall p \in U_\alpha$$

is a  $\mathbb{C}$  linear isomorphism between complex vector space. On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ , let  $\phi_{\alpha\beta} := \phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$ . Then, for  $p \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ ,  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}(p) : \{p\} \times \mathbb{C}^r \rightarrow \{p\} \times \mathbb{C}^r$  is a linear map, with its matrix representation  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  such that  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}(p, w) = (p, g_{\alpha\beta}(p)w)$ . The map  $g_{\alpha\beta} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{C})$  is holomorphic, which is called the **transitive function** of  $E$ ; (iii) The  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  satisfies the compatible conditions:  $g_{\alpha\beta}(p)g_{\beta\gamma}(p) = g_{\alpha\gamma}(p)$  and  $g_{\alpha\beta}(p) = g_{\beta\alpha}(p)^{-1}$ ;  $p \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ .

The holomorphic tangent bundle  $T^{(1,0)}(M)$  is a vector bundle of rank  $n = \dim M$  with the trivialization

$$\phi_\alpha \left( p, \sum_{j=1}^n a_j(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \Big|_p \right) = (p, (a_1(p), \dots, a_n(p))) \in U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^n.$$

A (holomorphic) section  $s$  of  $E$  is a (holomorphic map)  $s : M \rightarrow E$  such that  $\pi \circ s = id$ . When  $r = 1$  (line bundle), let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be trivialization neighborhoods of  $L$ , and take a local frame of  $L|_{U_\alpha}$  (for example, take  $e_\alpha(p) = \phi_\alpha^{-1}(p, 1)$ ), we can write  $s = s_\alpha e_\alpha$ , where  $s_\alpha$  is holomorphic function on  $U_\alpha$ . We have

$$s_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta} s_\beta,$$

where  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  are transition functions. We sometimes just write  $s = \{s_\alpha\}$ .

A vector bundle  $E$  is called a *Hermitian vector bundle* if there is an Hermitian inner product on each fiber  $E_p$  for  $p \in M$ . Similar to above, with the given Hermitian metric, there is a canonical connection (called *Hermitian connection*)  $D : \Gamma(M, E) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \mathcal{A}^1(M) \otimes E)$  which is compatible with the complex structure and with the Hermitian metric on  $E$ . Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$  be a local holomorphic frame, and  $h_{ij} = \langle e_i, e_j \rangle$ ,  $h = (h_{ij}) = h_e$ . Write  $De_i = \sum_j \omega_i^j e_j$ , or write  $De = \omega e$ . As the calculation above, we have the following expression of the connection matrix  $\omega = \partial h \cdot h^{-1}$ , so it is of type  $(1, 0)$ . Write  $D^2 = \Omega e$ . Then, as above,

$$\Omega = \bar{\partial}\omega = -\partial\bar{\partial}h \cdot h^{-1} + \partial h \cdot h^{-1} \wedge \bar{\partial}h \cdot h^{-1}$$

so  $\Omega$  is of type  $(1, 1)$ .

For simplicity, we only focus on the line bundle  $E = L$ , i.e.  $r = 1$ . Let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be trivialization neighborhoods of  $L$ . Let  $h$  be a Hermitian metric on

$L$ . Let  $e_\alpha(p) = \phi_\alpha^{-1}(p, 1)$  be a local frame of  $L|_{U_\alpha}$ . Write  $h_\alpha = h(e_\alpha, e_\alpha)$ . Then the Hermitian metric  $\{h_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is a set of positive functions with  $h_\alpha = |g_{\beta\alpha}|^2 h_\beta$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , where  $g_{\beta\alpha}$  are transition functions. Its connection form is

$$\theta = \partial h_\alpha \cdot h_\alpha^{-1} = \partial \log h_\alpha,$$

and the curvature form is

$$\Theta = \bar{\partial} \partial \log h_\alpha = \bar{\partial} \partial \log h_\beta, \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

So  $\Theta$  is a global (1,1)-form on  $M$ . Define the *first Chern form* of the Hermitian line bundle  $(L, h)$  as  $c_1(L, h) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \Theta = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \bar{\partial} \partial \log h_\alpha$ .

$(L, h)$  is said to be *positive* (or *ample*) if  $c_1(L, h)$  is positive.

**Example** *The line bundle of hyperplane of  $\mathbf{P}^n$* : Let  $H = \{[z^0, \dots, z^n] \in \mathbf{P}^n \mid \sum_{\alpha=0}^n a_\alpha z^\alpha = 0\}$  be a hyperplane in  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . On the coordinate neighborhood  $U_\alpha = \{z \in \mathbf{P}^n \mid z^\alpha \neq 0\}$ ,  $s_\alpha = a_1 \frac{z^1}{z^\alpha} + \dots + a_{\alpha-1} \frac{z^{\alpha-1}}{z^\alpha} + a_\alpha + a_{\alpha+1} \frac{z^{\alpha+1}}{z^\alpha} + \dots + a_n \frac{z^n}{z^\alpha}$  is a defining function of  $H$ , where  $\frac{z^1}{z^\alpha} \dots \frac{z^{\alpha-1}}{z^\alpha} \frac{z^{\alpha+1}}{z^\alpha} \dots \frac{z^n}{z^\alpha}$  is a local coordinate system of  $\mathbf{P}^n$  in  $U_\alpha$ . Then  $g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{s_\alpha}{s_\beta} = \frac{z^\beta}{z^\alpha} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow C^*$  are the transitive functions of  $[H]$ , the **hyperplane line bundle** of  $\mathbf{P}^n$ . We now endow with a Hermitian metric  $h$  on line bundle  $[H]$ ,  $h = (h_\alpha)_{0 \leq \alpha \leq n}$ , where  $h_\alpha$  is the local expression of  $h$  on  $U_\alpha$ .

$$h_\alpha = \frac{|z^\alpha|^2}{|z|^2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \left| \frac{z^\beta}{z^\alpha} \right|^2 + 1}.$$

$$c_1([H]) = -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} \log h_\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} \log \|z\|^2 > 0.$$

so  $[H]$  is positive line bundle. It is easy to see that  $[H]$  is, in fact, independent of the choice of  $H$ , so we denote it by  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$ .

The above construction can be extended to any divisors. A divisor  $D$  on  $M$  is a formal linear combination

$$D = \sum n_i [Y_i]$$

where  $Y_i \subset M$  irreducible hypersurfaces and  $n_i$  are integers. A divisor  $D$  is called *effective* if  $n_i \geq 0$  for all  $i$ . Any divisor  $D$  induces  $\mathcal{O}(D)$ , the line bundle associated to  $D$ , in a canonical way: If  $D$  is a hypersurface locally defined by  $f_\alpha = 0$  on  $U_\alpha$ , then  $\phi_{\alpha\beta} = f_\alpha / f_\beta$  are the transition functions for  $\mathcal{O}(D)$ . The section  $\{s_\alpha := f_\alpha\}$  is called the *canonical section*, and is denoted by  $s_D$ .

Let  $L \rightarrow M$  be a holomorphic line bundle with the transition functions  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$ . Let  $m$  be a positive integer and  $s^1, \dots, s^N$  be sections of  $mL$ . Write  $s = s_\alpha e_\alpha$ , and define

$$h_\alpha = \frac{1}{(|s_\alpha^1|^2 + \dots + |s_\alpha^N|^2)^{1/m}}.$$

Then it satisfies  $h_\alpha = |g_{\beta\alpha}|^2 h_\beta$ . This defines a (possible) singular metric on  $L$  which blows up exactly on the common zeros of the sections  $s^1, \dots, s^N$ . If  $L$  is ample, then this defines a metric on  $L$ .

**Example.** *Canonical line bundle on  $M$ :* Let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be a holomorphic coordinate covering of  $M$ ,  $(z_{(\alpha)}^1, \dots, z_{(\alpha)}^n)$  be a local coordinate system of  $U_\alpha$ . The canonical line bundle  $K_M$  is the line bundle with the transition functions  $\phi_{\alpha\beta} = \det \frac{\partial(z_{(\beta)}^1, \dots, z_{(\beta)}^n)}{\partial(z_{(\alpha)}^1, \dots, z_{(\alpha)}^n)}$ . Sections of  $K_M$  are  $(n, 0)$ -forms  $\omega = a^\alpha dz_{(\alpha)}^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dz_{(\alpha)}^n$ .

With Hermitian metric  $ds^2 = g_{ij}^{(\alpha)} dz_{(\alpha)}^i \otimes dz_{(\alpha)}^j$  on  $M$ ,  $\det g^{(\alpha)} = \det (g_{ij}^{(\alpha)})$  is an Hermitian metric of  $\det(T^{(1,0)}(M))$ , thus  $\det g^{(\alpha)-1}$  is the Hermitian metric of  $K_M$ . The connection form of  $K_M$  is thus  $\theta_{(\alpha)} = \partial \det g_{(\alpha)}^{-1} \cdot \det g_{(\alpha)} = -\partial \log \det g_{(\alpha)}$ , and the curvature form is  $\Omega_{(\alpha)} = -\bar{\partial} \partial \log \det g_{(\alpha)} = R_{\bar{j}i} dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$ .

# Chapter 11

## Bochner-Kodaira Formula

The proof of Bochner-Kodaira Formula relies on the calculation of  $\square\omega$ , where  $\omega$  is a  $E$ -valued differential form. We first deal with the case when  $E$  is trivial.

### 11.1 The Hilbert Spaces

Let  $M$  be a  $n$ -dimensional complex manifold with the Hermitian metric  $ds^2 = g_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \otimes d\bar{z}^j$ . The associated Kähler form is  $\Phi = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2}g_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$ , a real (1,1)-form. The volume form is

$$\frac{1}{n!}\Phi^n = (-1)^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}gdx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dy^{n-1} \wedge dy^n.$$

Let  $\phi$  be a smooth  $(p, q)$ -form, If we choose local coordinate  $z$ , then we can write  $\phi = \sum \phi_{I_p\bar{J}_q} dz_{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}_{J_q}$ . It follows that the quantity

$$\langle \phi, \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{p!q!}\phi_{I\bar{J}}\overline{\psi_{K\bar{L}}}g^{i_1\bar{k}_1} \cdots g^{i_p\bar{k}_p}g^{l_1\bar{j}_1} \cdots g^{l_q\bar{j}_q}$$

is independent of the choice of local coordinates, where  $g^{\bar{j}s}$  are the entries of the  $g^{-1}$ , the inverse matrix of metric  $g$ .

**Remark:** It is sometimes convenient to employ the notation

$$\psi^{J\bar{I}} := \psi_{K\bar{L}}g^{k_1\bar{l}_1} \cdots g^{k_p\bar{l}_p}g^{j_1\bar{l}_1} \cdots g^{j_q\bar{l}_q}.$$

We also use, for simplicity,  $(\phi)_{I_p\bar{J}_q}$  (as  $C^\infty$  covariant tensor field) to denote the coefficient  $\phi_{I_p\bar{J}_q}$  and  $(\phi)^{\bar{I}_p J_q}$  (as  $C^\infty$  contra-variant tensor field) to denote  $g^{\bar{I}_p S_p}g^{\bar{J}_q T_q}\phi_{S_p\bar{T}_q}$ . Then we can write  $\langle \phi, \psi \rangle = \phi_{I\bar{J}}\overline{\psi^{J\bar{I}}}$ . We define the (global) inner product as

$$(\phi, \psi) = \int_M \langle \phi, \psi \rangle dV,$$

where  $dV$  is the volume form of Hermitian manifold.

Let  $\bar{\partial}^*$  be the adjoint of  $\bar{\partial}$ . Let  $\square = \bar{\partial}^*\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*$ .

## 11.2 Covariant Derivatives

1. For the vector field  $V = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ ,

$$DV = da^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} + a^i \theta_i^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j}.$$

Hence, for any  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}} V &= da^i \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} + a^i \theta_i^j \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \\ &= \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial z^k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} + a^i \Gamma_{ik}^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial z^k} + a^l \Gamma_{lk}^i \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta_i^j = \Gamma_{ik}^j dz^k$ ,  $\nabla_k a^i := \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial z^k} + a^l \Gamma_{lk}^i$  is called the covariant derivative of  $a^i$  with respect to  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}$ , and is also denoted by  $a^i{}_{;k}$ , i.e.

$$DV = a^i{}_{;k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \otimes dx^k,$$

in  $a^i{}_{;k}$  we use a semicolon to separate indices resulting from differentiation from the preceding indices. We note that  $\{a^i{}_{;k}\}_{1 \leq i, k \leq n}$  is a tensor. Note that

$$\Gamma_{ik}^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{l}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{l}j}$$

When  $M$  is Kahler,  $\Gamma_{ik}^j = \Gamma_{ki}^j$ .

**Definition.** For a smooth vector field  $V = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$ , we define

$$\nabla_k a^i := \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial z^k} + \Gamma_{lk}^i a^l,$$

where

$$\Gamma_{ik}^j = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{l}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{l}j}.$$

2. For  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j dz^j$  (contra-variant tensor field), then

$$D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}} \omega = \left( \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^k} - \sum_{p=1}^n \Gamma_{kj}^p f_p \right) dz^j,$$

or simply

$$\nabla_k f_j = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^k} - \sum_{t=1}^n \Gamma_{kj}^t f_t.$$



**Definition.** For a smooth  $(1,0)$ -form  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j dz^j$ , we define

$$\nabla_k f_j = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^k} - \Gamma_{kj}^t f_t.$$

3. For  $p = 2, q = 0$ , i.e.  $\phi = \phi_{i_1 i_2} dz^{i_1} \wedge dz^{i_2}$ ,

$$D'_{\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}} \phi = \left( \frac{\partial \phi_{i_1 i_2}}{\partial z^k} - (\phi_{t i_2} \Gamma_{k i_1}^t + \phi_{i_1 t} \Gamma_{k i_2}^t) \right) dz^{i_1} \wedge dz^{i_2}.$$

3. For general  $p, q$ , and  $\phi = \sum \phi_{I_p \bar{J}_q} dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{J_q}$ ,

$$D'_{\frac{\partial}{\partial z^k}} \phi = \left( \frac{\phi_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_q}}{\partial z^k} - \sum_{s=1}^p \phi_{i_1 \dots (t)_s \dots i_p} \Gamma_{k i_s}^t \right) dz^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dz^{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{j}_q},$$

where  $(t)_s$  means that the index  $t$  is at the  $s$ -th place.

**Definition.** For a smooth (anti) vector field  $\eta = \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i}$ , we define

$$\nabla_k \eta^i := \frac{\partial \eta^i}{\partial z^k}.$$

**Definition.** For a smooth  $(0,1)$  form  $\phi = \phi_i d\bar{z}^i$ , we define

$$\nabla_k \phi_i := \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial z^k}.$$

Similarly, for the definition of  $\nabla_{\bar{k}}$ , we summarize as follows: for  $V = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i}$ ,  $\nabla_{\bar{k}} a^i = \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial \bar{z}^k}$ , for a smooth  $(1,0)$ -form  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j dz^j$ ,  $\nabla_{\bar{k}} f_j = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \bar{z}^k}$ , a smooth (anti) vector field  $\eta = \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}^i}$ ,  $\nabla_{\bar{k}} \eta^i = \frac{\partial \eta^i}{\partial \bar{z}^k} + \bar{\Gamma}_{kt}^i \eta^t$ , For a smooth  $(0,1)$  form  $\phi = \phi_i d\bar{z}^i$ ,  $\nabla_{\bar{k}} \phi_i = \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial \bar{z}^k} - \bar{\Gamma}_{kt}^i \phi_t$ .

We sometimes also write  $\nabla_{\bar{k}}$  as  $\overline{\nabla}_k$ .

3. The reason we convert  $\partial$  to  $\nabla_i$  is that we need to deal with the metric (the connection is compatibel with the metric). In particular, we have

**Theorem.** For the metric tensor  $g_{i\bar{j}}$  and its inverse  $g^{\bar{j}i}$ , we have  $\nabla_k g_{i\bar{j}} = 0$  and  $\nabla_k g^{\bar{j}i} = 0$ .

*Proof.*

$$\nabla_k g_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{z_k} - g_{l\bar{j}} \Gamma_{ik}^l = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{z_k} - g_{l\bar{j}} \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{s}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{s}l} = 0.$$

Also

$$\nabla_k g^{\bar{j}i} = \frac{\partial g^{\bar{j}i}}{z_k} + g_{l\bar{j}} \Gamma_{ik}^l = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{z_k} - g^{\bar{j}s} \frac{\partial g_{s\bar{l}}}{\partial z^k} g^{\bar{l}i},$$

so  $\nabla_k g^{\bar{j}i} = 0$ . This finishes the proof.

Note that the above theorem is actually due to the fact that the connection is compatibel with the metric. The theorem can be proved directly by using the fact that the connection is compatibel with the metric. It shows that you don't have to worry about  $\nabla_k g_{i\bar{j}}$  (it is zero) when you use the connection (covariant derivative) to differentiate the forms, rather than using the exterior derivative  $d$ . The following propostion shows that in the case that  $M$  is Kahler, there is indeed no difference.

**Proposition 1** *Assume that  $M$  is Kahler. for any*

$$\phi = \sum \phi_{I_p \bar{J}_q} dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{J}_q},$$

*we have*

$$\partial\phi = \sum \nabla_i \phi_{I_p \bar{J}_q} dz^i \wedge dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{J}_q}.$$

*Proof.* To get the idea why the Propsition works, let us first consider the case when  $q = 0, p = 1$  and dimension  $M = 2$ , i.e.  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^2 f_j dz^j$ . Then from the above,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j,k=1}^2 \nabla_k f_i dz^k \wedge dz^j &= \sum_{k,j=1}^2 \left( \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial z^k} - \sum_{t=1}^2 \Gamma_{kj}^t f_t \right) dz^k \wedge dz^j \\ &= \sum_{k,j=1}^2 \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^k} dz^k \wedge dz^j - \sum_{t=1}^2 f^t (\Gamma_{12}^t - \Gamma_{21}^t) dz^1 \wedge dz^2 \\ &= \sum_{k,j=1}^2 \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z^k} dz^k \wedge dz^j \\ &= \partial\omega, \end{aligned}$$

where we used the fact  $\Gamma_{12}^t = \Gamma_{21}^t$  since  $M$  is Kahler.

In the general case, by definition,

$$\nabla_i \phi_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_q} dz^i \wedge dz^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dz^{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{j}_q} = \left( \frac{\phi_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_q}}{\partial z^i} - \sum_{s=1}^p \Gamma_{i_s i}^t \phi_{i_1 \dots (t)_s \dots i_p \bar{j}_q} \right) dz^i \wedge dz^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dz^{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{j}_q}$$

$$= \frac{\partial \phi_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_q}}{\partial z^i} dz^i \wedge dz^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dz^{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_q} = \partial \phi$$

where, in the last equality, we used the fact that  $\Gamma_{i_s i}^t = \Gamma_{i i_s}^t$  on the Kähler manifold and  $dz^i \wedge dz^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dz^{i_p}$  are anti-symmetric when interchange the orders.

Similarly, by taking the conjugate,

**Proposition 2.** *Let*

$$\phi = \sum \phi_{I_p \bar{J}_q} \otimes dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{J_q}$$

be a smooth  $(p, q)$ -form. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\partial} \phi &= (-1)^p \sum_{k=0}^q (-1)^k \frac{\bar{\partial} \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_0 \bar{j}_1 \dots \hat{j}_k \dots \bar{j}_q}}{\partial \bar{z}^{j_k}} dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_0} \wedge \dots \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_q} \\ &= (-1)^p \sum_{k=0}^q (-1)^k \nabla_{\bar{j}_k} \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_0 \bar{j}_1 \dots \hat{j}_k \dots \bar{j}_q} dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_0} \wedge \dots \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_q}. \end{aligned}$$

### 11.3 The formula for $\bar{\partial}^*$

We now derive the formula for  $\bar{\partial}^*$ .

**Proposition 3.** *In the compact Kähler case, Let*

$$\phi = \sum \phi_{I_p \bar{J}_q} \otimes dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{J_q}$$

be a smooth  $(p, q)$ -form. Then

$$(\bar{\partial}^* \phi)_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{q-1}} = (-1)^{p+1} g^{\bar{j} i} \nabla_i \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{q-1}}.$$

*Proof.* One has

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\partial}^* \phi, \psi) &= (\phi, \bar{\partial} \psi) \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \int_M \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} (-1)^p \sum_{k=1}^q (-1)^{k+1} \overline{g^{j_k \bar{j}'_k} \nabla_{\bar{j}'_k} \psi^{j_1 \dots \hat{j}_k \dots j_q \bar{l}_p}} dA \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \int_M (-1)^{p+1} \sum_{k=1}^q g^{j_k \bar{j}_k} \left( \nabla_{j'_k} (-1)^{k+1} \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} \right) \overline{\psi^{j_1 \dots \hat{j}_k \dots j_q \bar{l}_p}} dA \\ &= \frac{1}{p!(q-1)!} \int_M \left( (-1)^{p+1} g^{i \bar{j}} \nabla_i \phi_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{q-1}} \right) \overline{\psi^{j_1 \dots \bar{j}_{q-1} \bar{l}_p}} dA. \end{aligned}$$

where the second-to-last inequality follows from the metric compatibility of the connection. This finishes the proof.

Note that we can also use the  $\star$ -operator to express  $\bar{\partial}^*$ , similar to the Riemann surface case, we can prove that  $\bar{\partial}^* = -\star \partial \star$ .

## 11.4 The Bochner-Kadaira formula

We first deal with the case that the line bundle is trivial.

**Theorem (Weitzenbook identity)** *Let  $M$  be a compact Kähler manifold,*

$$\omega = \frac{1}{p!q!} a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} dz^{I_p} \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_q} \in \varepsilon^{p,q}(M).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\square\omega)_{I_p \bar{j}_q} &= - \sum g^{\bar{j}i} \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j a_{I_p \bar{j}_q} \\ &\quad + \sum_{t=1}^p \sum_{s=1}^q R_{i_t \bar{j}_s}^k \bar{l} a_{i_1 \dots i_{s-1} k i_{s+1} \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{t-1} \bar{l} \bar{j}_{t+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\ &\quad - \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{l=1}^q R_{\bar{j}_s}^l a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{l} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $R_{\bar{j}}^l = R_{\bar{j}k} g^{\bar{l}k}$ ,  $R_{i \bar{j}}^k \bar{l} = g^{\bar{l}k} g^{\bar{i}s} R_{ti \bar{j}s}$

**Remarks:**

1. We sometime write it into the crude form

$$(\square\omega)_{I_p \bar{j}_q} = - \sum g^{\bar{j}i} \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j a_{I_p \bar{j}_q} + A^1(\omega),$$

where  $A^1(\omega)$  only involves first order differentiation. In other words, modulo lower-order terms, the global Laplacian on forms looks like the Euclidean Laplacian  $-\sum_k \partial^2 / \partial z_k \partial \bar{z}_k$ .

2. For the application of proving the vanishing theorem, we only use the formula when  $p = 0$ . In this case, the term

$$\sum_{t=1}^p \sum_{s=1}^q R_{i_t \bar{j}_s}^k \bar{l} a_{i_1 \dots i_{s-1} k i_{s+1} \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{t-1} \bar{l} \bar{j}_{t+1} \dots \bar{j}_q}$$

will disappear, so for

$$\omega = \frac{1}{q!} a_{\bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} d\bar{z}^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge d\bar{z}^{j_q}.$$

Then

$$(\square\omega)_{\bar{j}_q} = - \sum g^{\bar{j}i} \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j a_{I_p \bar{j}_q} - \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{l=1}^q R_{\bar{j}_s}^l a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{l} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q}.$$

When write

$$Ric(\omega) = - \sum_{k,t=1}^q R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{t}}(\omega)_{\bar{j}_1 \dots (\bar{t})_k \dots \bar{j}_q} \quad t \text{ in } k\text{-th spot},$$

Then

$$(\square\omega)_{\bar{j}_q} = -\sum g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i\bar{\nabla}_j a_{I_p\bar{j}_q} + Ric(\omega).$$

*Proof.* By proposition 2

$$(\bar{\partial}\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_0\cdots\bar{j}_q} = (-1)^p \sum_{t=0}^q (-1)^t \bar{\nabla}_{j_t} a_{I_p\bar{j}_0\cdots\hat{j}_t\cdots\bar{j}_q}$$

and by proposition 3

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\partial}^*\bar{\partial}\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} &= (-1)^{p+1} g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i(\bar{\partial}\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} \\ &= -g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i\bar{\nabla}_j a_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} - \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i\bar{\nabla}_{j_s} a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\partial}^*\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} &= (-1)^{p+1} g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} \\ (\bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} &= (-1)^p \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^{s+1} \bar{\nabla}_{j_s} (\bar{\partial}^*\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q} \\ &= -\sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^{s+1} \bar{\nabla}_{j_s} (g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q}) \\ &= -\sum_{s=1}^q g^{\bar{j}i} (-1)^{s+1} \bar{\nabla}_{j_s} \nabla_i a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q} \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} (\square\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} &= (\bar{\partial}\bar{\partial}^*\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} + (\bar{\partial}^*\bar{\partial}\omega)_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} \\ &= -g^{\bar{j}i}\nabla_i\nabla_j a_{I_p\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_q} - \sum_{s=1}^q g^{\bar{j}i} (-1)^s (\nabla_i\bar{\nabla}_{j_s} - \bar{\nabla}_{j_s}\nabla_i) a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q}. \end{aligned}$$

**Note that up to here, the  $I_p$  part is unchanged since we are performing  $\bar{\partial}$  and  $\bar{\partial}^*$  only, so you may letting  $p = 0$  in the above computations for simplicity.** It remains to compute  $[\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j] a_{I_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q}$ . For simplicity we only need to compute  $[\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j]$  for  $(1, 0)$ -forms  $a_k dz^k$  and  $b_{\bar{k}} d\bar{z}^{\bar{k}}$ . Since the result  $[\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j]$  acting on  $a_{i_1\cdots i_p\bar{j}\bar{j}_1\cdots\bar{j}_{s-1}\hat{j}_s\bar{j}_{s+1}\cdots\bar{j}_q}$ , for each index among  $i_1\cdots i_p$ , is similar to those for each index among  $\bar{j}, \bar{j}_1, \cdots, \bar{j}_{s-1}, \bar{j}_{s+1}, \cdots, \bar{j}_q$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (13.3.1) \quad [\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j] a_k &= \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j a_k - \bar{\nabla}_j \nabla_i a_k = \nabla_i \partial_j a_k - \bar{\nabla}_j (\partial_i a_k - \Gamma_{ki}^t a_t) \\ &= \partial \bar{\partial}_j a_k - \bar{\partial}_j a_t \Gamma_{ki}^t - \bar{\partial} \partial a_k + \bar{\partial}_j (\Gamma_{ki}^t a_t) \\ &= -\bar{\partial}_j a_t \Gamma_{ki}^t + \bar{\partial}_j a_t \Gamma_{ki}^t + \bar{\partial}_j \Gamma_{ki}^t a_t \\ &= \bar{\partial}_j \Gamma_{ki}^t a_t = R_{k\bar{j}i}^t a_t \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(13.3.2) \quad [\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j]b_{\bar{k}} &= \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j b_{\bar{k}} - \bar{\nabla}_j \nabla_i b_{\bar{k}} = \nabla_i (\bar{\partial}_j b_{\bar{k}} - \bar{\Gamma}_{kj}^t b_{\bar{t}}) - \bar{\nabla}_j (\partial_i b_{\bar{k}}) \\
&= \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j b_{\bar{k}} - \partial_i \bar{\Gamma}_{kj}^t b_{\bar{t}} - \bar{\Gamma}_{ij}^t \partial_i b_{\bar{t}} - \bar{\partial}_j \partial_i b_{\bar{k}} + \partial_i b_{\bar{t}} \bar{\Gamma}_{kj}^t \\
&= -\partial_i \bar{\Gamma}_{kj}^t b_{\bar{t}} = -\bar{\partial}_i \bar{\Gamma}_{kj}^t b_{\bar{t}} = -\bar{R}_{kj\bar{i}}^t b_{\bar{t}} = -R_{\bar{k}\bar{j}\bar{i}}^{\bar{t}} b_{\bar{t}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Applying (13.3.1) and (13.3.2) to  $[\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j]a_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&[\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j]a_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^p R_{i_k \bar{j}_s}^l a_{i_1 \dots l(i_k) \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} - R_{\bar{j}_s}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{l} \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&\quad - \sum_{k < s} R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{l}(\bar{j}_k) \dots \bar{j}_s \dots \bar{j}_q} - \sum_{k > s} R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_s \dots \bar{l}(\bar{j}_k) \dots \bar{j}_q}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $g^{\bar{j}i} R_{\bar{j}_s}^{\bar{l}} a_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} = R_{\bar{j}_s}^{\bar{l}}$  and  $g^{\bar{j}i} R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{i_1 \dots i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} = R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
(3) \quad &g^{\bar{j}i} \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s [\nabla_i, \bar{\nabla}_j] a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&= \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s \sum_{t=1}^p R_{i_t \bar{j}_s}^l a_{i_1 \dots i_{t-1} i_{t+1} i_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&\quad - \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s R_{\bar{j}_s}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{l} \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&\quad - \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s \sum_{k < s} R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{k-1} \bar{l}(\bar{j}_k) \bar{j}_{k+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} \\
&\quad - \sum_{s=1}^q (-1)^s \sum_{k > s} R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_s \dots \bar{l}(\bar{j}_k) \bar{j}_{k+1} \dots \bar{j}_q},
\end{aligned}$$

where symbol  $\bar{l}(\bar{j}_k)$  ( $l(j_k)$ ) denote the  $\bar{l}$  instead of  $\bar{j}_k$ , and because of  $R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} a_{I_p \bar{l} \bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_{s-1} \bar{j}_{s+1} \dots \bar{j}_q} = R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}}$ , so the last two terms in (3) are vanishing. Therefore we obtained the expression formula of complex Laplacian.

## 11.5 The general case

Let  $L$  be a Hermitian line bundle over a compact Kähler manifold, and  $h$  be its Hermitian metric. We want to derive a similar formula for  $\square_L$  acting on

$\Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ . A form  $\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$  corresponds to a family of  $(p, q)$ -forms  $\omega_\alpha$  on  $\{U_\alpha\}$ , where  $\{U_\alpha\}$  is an open covering consists of the trivialization neighborhoods of  $L$ . Let  $\{\phi_{\alpha\beta}\}$  be the transitive functions of  $L$ , then

$$\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

Let  $\omega, \eta \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ , then

$$(\omega, \eta) = \int_M h_\alpha \langle \omega_\alpha, \eta_\alpha \rangle.$$

As a well-known fact, if  $\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ , then  $\bar{\partial}\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q+1}(L))$ . If  $\omega \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$  i.e.,  $\omega_\alpha \in \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L))$ ,  $\alpha \in I$ ,  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is an open covering of  $M$  consists of the trivialization neighborhoods of  $L$ , then

$$\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

Since  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}$  is holomorphic,

$$\bar{\partial}\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\bar{\partial}\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

But for the operator  $\partial$ ,  $\partial\omega$  is no longer a  $L$ -valued differential form, since if  $\omega_\alpha = \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , then

$$\partial\omega_\alpha = \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta; \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta,$$

and, in general  $\partial\phi_{\alpha\beta} \neq 0$ , so  $\partial\omega$  is no longer a  $L$ -valued differential form. Let  $h = (h_\alpha)$  be the Hermitian metric of  $L$ . We introduce  $D_L : \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p,q}(L)) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, \varepsilon^{p+1,q}(L))$ , which is a differential operator of degree  $(1, 0)$  on  $L$ -valued forms, by letting

$$D_L\omega_\alpha = \partial\omega_\alpha + \partial \log h_\alpha \omega_\alpha = h_\alpha^{-1} \partial(h_\alpha \omega_\alpha).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} D_L\omega_\alpha &= \partial\omega_\alpha + \partial \log h_\alpha \omega_\alpha \\ &= \partial(\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta) + \partial \log (h_\beta |\phi_{\beta\alpha}|^2) \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta + (\partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha})) \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial\phi_{\alpha\beta}\phi_{\beta\alpha}\phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta \omega_\beta) \phi_{\alpha\beta} + \partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha} \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \partial \log \phi_{\alpha\beta} \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta + \phi_{\alpha\beta}\partial\omega_\beta + (\partial \log h_\beta \omega_\beta) \phi_{\alpha\beta} + \partial \log \phi_{\beta\alpha} \phi_{\alpha\beta}\omega_\beta \\ &= \phi_{\alpha\beta}(\partial\omega_\beta + \partial \log h_\beta \omega_\beta) = \phi_{\alpha\beta} D_L\omega_\beta \end{aligned}$$

**new:** global calculation. It is easy to check that the operator  $D_L$  satisfies

$$\partial(\eta \wedge \bar{\xi}h) = \partial\eta \wedge \bar{\xi}h + (-1)^{\deg \eta} \eta \wedge \overline{D_L \xi}h,$$

so it also proves that the  $D_L$  is well defined.

**The Bochner-Kodaira Formula:**

Similar to what we have proved, we can prove that (see the book by Morrow and Kodaria: Complex Manifolds)

**Theorem (The Bochner-Kadaira formula).** *Let  $L$  be an Hermitian line bundle over  $M$ . Then for any  $L$ -valued  $(0, q)$ -form*

$$\phi = \frac{1}{q!} \phi_{\bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} d\bar{z}^{\bar{j}_1} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{j}_q}$$

$$(\square_L \phi)_{\bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} = -g^{\bar{j}i} \nabla_i^{(L)} \nabla_{\bar{j}} \phi_{\bar{j}_1 \dots \bar{j}_q} + \sum_{k=1}^q \sum_t (\Omega_{j_k}^{\bar{t}} - R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{t}}) \phi_{\bar{j}_1 \dots (\bar{t})_k \dots \bar{j}_q}.$$

where  $\nabla_i^{(L)} = \partial_i + \partial_i \log h_\alpha$  and  $\Omega_{\bar{j}}^{\bar{i}} = -\nabla_{\bar{j}} g^{\bar{i}k} \partial_k \log h_\alpha = g^{\bar{i}k} \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} \partial_k \log h_\alpha$

We can also formulate the The Bochner-Kadaira formula as follows

$$\square = -\text{Trace}(\nabla^{(L)} \bar{\nabla}) + T_g(\Omega - \text{Ric}(R))$$

where

$$\text{Trace}(\nabla^{(L)} \bar{\nabla}) := g^{i\bar{j}} \nabla_i^{(L)} \nabla_{\bar{j}}$$

and

$$T_g(\Omega - \text{Ric}(R)) = \sum_{k=1}^q g^{i\bar{i}} \Omega_{i\bar{j}_k} \phi_{\bar{j}_1 \dots (\bar{i})_k \dots \bar{j}_q} - \sum_{k=1}^q g^{i\bar{i}} R_{i\bar{j}_k} \phi_{\bar{j}_1 \dots (\bar{i})_k \dots \bar{j}_q},$$

$\Omega_{i\bar{j}} = \sum_t g_{i\bar{t}} \Omega_{\bar{j}}^{\bar{t}} = -\bar{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} \partial_i \log h_\alpha = -\partial_i \bar{\partial}_{\bar{j}} \log h_\alpha$  is the curvature of the metric  $\{h_\alpha\}$ ,  $R_{i\bar{j}} = \partial_i \bar{\partial}_{\bar{j}} (\log \det(g))$  and  $c_1(K_M) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} R_{i\bar{j}} d\bar{z}^i \wedge dz^j$ .

**Theorem** *Let  $M$  be a compact kahler and let  $L$  be an Hermitian line bundle over  $M$ . Then for any  $L$ -valued  $(0, q)$ -form  $\omega$ ,*

$$(\square \omega, \omega) = \|\bar{\nabla} \omega\|^2 + ((T_g(\Omega - \text{Ric}(R))) \omega, \omega).$$

*Proof.* Write locally  $\omega = \omega_\alpha e_\alpha$  where  $e_\alpha$  is a local frame for  $L$ . We introduce the following  $(0, 1)$ -form on  $M$

$$\Psi_{U_\alpha} = h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \phi_{\alpha}^{\bar{j}_q} d\bar{z}^j.$$

It is indeed global define, since

$$\Psi_{U_\alpha} = h_\alpha (\bar{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q}) \overline{\omega_\alpha^{\bar{j}_q}} dz^j = |\phi_{\beta\alpha}|^2 h_\beta \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} (\omega_{\beta \bar{j}_q}) |\phi_{\alpha\beta}|^2 \overline{\omega_\beta^{\bar{j}_q}} dz^j$$



$$= \Psi_{U_\beta}, \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$$

We use the fact that if  $\Psi$  is a 1-form on  $M$ , then

$$\int_M \bar{\partial}^* \Psi dV_M = 0,$$

this is because  $\bar{\partial}^* \Psi$  is a global function, and

$$\int_M \bar{\partial}^* \Psi dV_M = (\bar{\partial}^* \Psi, 1) = (\Psi, \bar{\partial} 1) = 0.$$

On the other hand,  $\bar{\partial}^* \Psi$  can be calculated as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\partial}^* \Psi &= -g^{\bar{j}i} \nabla_i (h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}}) \\ &= -g^{\bar{j}i} (\nabla_i (h_\alpha h_\alpha^{-1}) h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}} + g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \nabla_i \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}} \\ &\quad - g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \nabla_i \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}}) \\ &= -g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \nabla_i^L \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}} - g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \nabla_i \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}} \\ &= -g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \nabla_i^L \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}} - g^{\bar{j}i} h_\alpha \bar{\nabla}_j \omega_{\alpha \bar{j}_q} \bar{\nabla}_i \overline{\omega_\alpha^{J_q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, from the above Bochner-Kodaira Formula, we get

$$(\square \omega, \omega) = \|\bar{\nabla}\|^2 + ((T_g(\Omega - Ric(R)))\omega, \omega).$$

This finishes the proof.

Recall that, from Proposition 2.7,

$$R_{\bar{i}j} = \partial_{\bar{i}} \partial_j (\log \det(g)).$$

So

$$c_1(K_M) = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} R_{\bar{i}j} d\bar{z}^i \wedge dz^j.$$

Also  $\Omega_L$  is the curvature form of  $L$ . Therefore, if  $L \otimes K_M^*$  is positive, then  $-Ric\omega + \Omega_L$  is positive, so  $H^q(M, \mathcal{O}(L))$  must vanish. Here is the proof:

**Theorem (Kodaira's vanishing theorem).** *Let  $M$  be a  $n$ -dimensional compact Kähler manifold, and  $L$  be a line bundle with the Hermitian metric  $h$ . If  $L \otimes K_M^*$  is positive, then*

$$H^q(M, \mathcal{O}(L)) = 0 \quad \text{for } q \geq 1.$$

*Proof.* The condition that  $L \otimes K_M^*$  is positive means the matrix  $(X_{j\bar{i}} - R_{i\bar{j}})$  is positive definite, so  $((T_g(\Omega - Ric(R)))\omega, \omega) > 0$  for all  $\omega \neq 0$ . Hence  $(\square\omega, \omega) > 0$  for all  $\omega \neq 0$ . This implies that  $\mathcal{H}^{(0,q)}(M, L) = 0$  because for any  $\omega \in \mathcal{H}^{(0,q)}(M, L)$ ,  $0 = (\square\omega, \omega) > 0$  if  $\omega \neq 0$ . Thus  $H^q(M, L) = 0$  by Hodge's theorem. This finishes the proof.

Note that we can actually prove Kodaira's vanishing theorem by bypass the Hodge theory. By using Dolbeault theorem,  $H^q(M, L \otimes K_M) = 0$  for  $q \geq 1$  if we can solve

$$\bar{\partial}\omega = \psi$$

for any  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed  $(n, q)$ -form  $\psi$ . It can be achieved by using the fact that

$$\|\bar{\partial}\phi\|^2 + \|\bar{\partial}^*\phi\|^2 = (\square\phi, \phi)$$

and the **Lax-Milgram Lemma** that *If  $\|g\|^2 \leq c(\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2)$ , then  $Tu = f$  has a solution to  $f \in Ker S$ . This solution  $u$  satisfies the estimate*

$$\|u\| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}}\|f\|, \quad u \in (Ker T)^\perp$$

where we consider Hilbert spaces:

$$H_1 \xrightarrow{T} H_2 \xrightarrow{S} H_3$$

where  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  are all Hilbert spaces,  $T, S$  are linear, closed, densely defined operators with  $ST = 0$ .

This leads the materials on solving  $\bar{\partial}$ -equations for domains  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$  with flat metric, but with boundaries (the theory is discussed in the next chapter).

# Chapter 12

## $L^2$ ESTIMATES

We will present the method of  $L^2$  estimates in this section. The method is to use the Hilbert space to prove the existence of the solution to the  $\bar{\partial}$  problem on a pseudoconvex domain, based on a priori estimate. The tool is to use so-called *Lax-Milgram* lemma. The trick to deal with the boundary is called *Morrey trick*. Using the  $L^2$  estimates, we can solve the Levi's problem: The pseudoconvex domain is the domain of holomorphy.

### 12.1 Problem and the Formulation

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$  be a bounded domain,  $f = \sum f_v d\bar{z}^v$  be a form of type  $(0, 1)$  defined on  $\Omega$  and satisfy  $\bar{\partial}f = 0$ . The question is whether

$$(3.1) \quad \bar{\partial}u = f$$

has a solution. If we use the theory of Hilbert space, considering

$$(3.2) \quad L^2_{(0,0)}(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2_{(0,1)}(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2_{(0,2)}(\Omega),$$

then the above problem is equivalent to: Whether the kernel of the second  $\bar{\partial}$  is equal to the image of the first  $\bar{\partial}$ .

We summarize the above discussion in terms of the model of Hilbert spaces:

$$(3.3) \quad H_1 \xrightarrow{T} H_2 \xrightarrow{S} H_3$$

where  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  are all Hilbert spaces, and  $T, S$  are linear, closed, densely defined operators. Assume  $ST = 0$ , the problem is whether, for  $\forall f \in \text{Ker } S$ , the solution to

$$(3.4) \quad Tu = f$$

exists.

## 12.2 Basic Facts from the Theory of Hilbert Spaces

As we mentioned above, we now consider

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where  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  are all Hilbert spaces, and  $T, S$  are linear, closed, densely defined operators. Assume  $ST = 0$ , the problem is whether, for  $\forall f \in \text{Ker } S$ , the solution to

$$(3.4) \quad Tu = f$$

exists.

First, note a simple fact:  $Tu = f$  is equivalent to

$$(3.5) \quad (Tu, g) = (f, g), \quad \forall g \in \text{some dense subset}$$

This is because because (3.5)  $\iff (Tu - f, g) = 0, \forall g \in \text{some dense subset} \iff (Tu - f, H_2) = 0 \iff Tu = f$ .

Let  $T^*$  be an adjoint operator of  $T$ . By the theory of functional analysis that  $T^*$  is a closed operator, and  $(T^*)^* = T$  if and only if  $T$  is closed. Here we recall the definition of  $T^*$ : Let  $y \in H_2$ . If there exists a  $y^* \in H_1$  such that for  $\forall x \in \text{Dom } T$ , we have

$$(3.6) \quad (Tx, y) = (x, y^*),$$

then  $y \in \text{Dom } T^*$ , and we define  $T^*y = y^*$ . By (3.6),

$$(3.7) \quad (Tx, y) = (x, T^*y).$$

Next we will write out the expression of  $T^*$  on  $C^\infty(\Omega)$ , where  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  is the set of infinitely differentiable functions on some neighborhood of  $\bar{\Omega}$ , so  $\text{Dom } T^*$  is dense in  $H_2$ . In other words,  $T^*$  is also a linear closed densely defined operator.

From (3.5),  $(Tu, g) = (f, g), \forall g \in \text{some dense subset}$ . If this dense subset  $\subset \text{Dom } T^*$ , then, noticing  $(Tu, g) = (u, T^*g)$ ,

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} Tu = f &\iff (Tu, g) = (f, g) \iff \\ (u, T^*g) &= (f, g), \forall g \in \text{some dense subset in } \text{Dom } T^*. \end{aligned}$$

The existence of  $u$  thus could be possibly found by applying the Riesz Representation theorem as follows: let  $T^*g \rightarrow (f, g)$  be a linear functional defined on a subset of  $H_1$  (i.e.  $\{T^*g \mid g \in \text{some dense subset in } \text{Dom } T^*\}$ ). If we can extend the above functional to a bounded linear functional on entire  $H_1$ , then an application of Riesz Representation theorem to (3.8) will thus show that the problem  $Tu = f$  is solved. Recall that the Riesz Representation theorem states that if  $\lambda : H \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is a bounded linear functional on a Hilbert space  $H$ , then there exists  $u \in H$  such that  $\lambda(x) = (x, u)$  for  $\forall x \in H$ . Hence the main step is whether we can extend  $T^*g \rightarrow (f, g)$  to a bounded linear functional on entire  $H_1$ .

**Lemma 12.1.** *If there exists a constant  $c_f$  depending only on  $f$  such that*

$$(3.9) \quad |(g, f)| \leq c_f \|T^*g\|,$$

*then  $T^*g \rightarrow (g, f)$  can be extended to a bounded linear functional on  $H_1$ .*

*Proof.* First note that, under (3.9), the definition  $T^*g \rightarrow (g, f)$  is well-defined, since if  $T^*g_1 = T^*g_2$ , then  $|(g_1 - g_2, f)| \leq c_f \|T^*(g_1 - g_2)\| = 0$ , i.e.,  $(g_1, f) = (g_2, f)$ .

Next we extend  $T^*g \rightarrow (g, f)$  to  $\overline{\{T^*g\}}$  the closed envelope of  $\{T^*g | g \in \text{Dom}(T^*)\}$ . If  $x \in \overline{\{T^*g | g \in \text{Dom}(T^*)\}}$ , then there exists  $g_v$  such that  $x = \lim T^*g_v$ , by (3.9),

$$|(g_v - g_u, f)| \leq c_f \|T^*g_v - T^*g_u\| \rightarrow 0 (v, u \rightarrow \infty).$$

Hence  $\lim(g_v, f)$  exists and it is the value of this functional at  $x$ .

Finally, for a general  $x \in H_1$ , if we denote  $P$  by the projective operator  $H_1 \rightarrow \overline{\{T^*g | g \in \text{Dom}(T^*)\}}$  ( this is a closed subspace ), then we can define the value of this functional at  $x$  by that at  $Px$ , and the latter is significative above.  $\square$

In the above discussion, we however **only used the front half** of

$$H_1 \xrightarrow{T} H_2 \xrightarrow{S} H_3.$$

However, since we only need to solve the equation  $Tu = f$  or  $(T^*g, u) = (g, f)$  for  $f \in \text{Ker } S$ , it is unnecessary to prove (3.9) for all  $f \in H_2$ , rather we just need to prove (3.9) for  $f \in \text{Ker } S$ . In this case, we hope that  $g$  in (3.9) belongs to some dense subset in  $\text{Dom } T^*$  due to the proceeding proof.

The method of proving  $|(g, f)| \leq c_f \|T^*g\|$  is through proving a more general equality:

$$\|g\|^2 \leq c(\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2) \quad \forall g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S.$$

First we note, in our problem,  $\text{Dom } T^*$  and  $\text{Dom } S$  contain  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ — the set of infinitely differentiable functions whose supports in  $\Omega$ , hence  $\text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$  is dense on both  $\text{Dom } T^*$  and  $H_2$ . Now we need

**Lemma 12.2.** *If*

$$(3.10) \quad \|g\|^2 \leq c(\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2) \quad \forall g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$$

*then*

$$(3.11) \quad |(g, f)| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\| \|T^*g\|, \quad \forall f \in \text{Ker } S, g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S.$$

*Proof.* For every  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$ ,  $g$  can be decomposed orthogonally along the closed subspace  $\text{Ker } S$  and its orthogonal complement  $(\text{Ker } S)^\perp$ , that is,

$$g = g_1 + g_2, \quad g_1 \in \text{Ker } S, \quad g_2 \in (\text{Ker } S)^\perp.$$

Since  $ST = 0$ ,  $(Ker S)^\perp \subset (ImT)^\perp$ , and if  $x \in (ImT)^\perp$ , then  $(x, Ty) = 0$ ,  $\forall y \in Dom T$ . By the definition of  $T^*$ ,  $0 = (x, Ty) = (T^*x, y)$ ,  $\forall y \in Dom T$ , then  $T^*x = 0$ , so we have  $(Ker S)^\perp \subset (ImT)^\perp \subset Ker T^*$ . Thus  $g_1 = g - g_2 \in Dom T^*$ ,  $g_2 = g - g_1 \in Dom S \cap Dom T^*$ , hence  $g_1, g_2$  are both in  $Dom T^* \cap Dom S$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
|(g, f)| &= |(g_1, f)| && (f \in Ker S, g_2 \in (Ker S)^\perp) \\
&\leq \|f\| \cdot \|g_1\| && \text{(Schwartz inequality)} \\
&\leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\| (\|T^*g_1\|^2 + \|Sg_1\|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} && ((3.10), g_1 \in Dom T^* \cap Dom S) \\
&\leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\| \cdot \|T^*g_1\| && (g_1 \in Ker S) \\
&\leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\| \cdot \|T^*g\| && (g_2 \in Ker T^*, T^*g_2 = 0)
\end{aligned}$$

□

Applying Lemma 3.2, we have that if  $\|g\|^2 \leq c(\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2)$  for all  $g \in Dom T^* \cap Dom S$ , then  $|(g, f)| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\| \cdot \|T^*g\|$  for  $\forall f \in Ker S$ ,  $g \in Dom T^* \cap Dom S$ . Hence, by Lemma 3.1,  $T^*g \rightarrow (g, f)$  can be extended to be a bounded linear functional on  $H_1$ , whose bound is  $c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\|$ . By Rietz's representation theorem, there exists  $u \in H_1$  such that  $(T^*g, u) = (g, f)$  for  $\forall g \in Dom T^* \cap Dom S$ . Since  $Dom T^* \cap Dom S$  is dense in  $H_2$ , we have  $(g, Tu) = (g, f)$ , for  $\forall g \in H_2$ . By (3.8), the equation  $Tu = f$  has a solution. In addition, from the Rietz Representation theorem, we have

$$\|u\| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\|, \quad \text{and} \quad u \in (Ker T)^\perp.$$

In fact,  $\|u\| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}} \|f\|$  is the direct consequence of Rietz's representation theorem; to see  $u \in (Ker T)^\perp$ , note that, according to the way that  $T^*g \rightarrow (g, f)$  is extended to a bounded linear functional on entire  $H_1$ , this functional vanishes on the orthogonal complement of  $\overline{\{T^*g | g \in Dom(T^*)\}}$ , thus  $u \in \overline{\{T^*g | g \in Dom(T^*)\}}$ . If  $u = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} T^*g_v$ , then for every  $x \in Ker T$ , we have

$$(x, u) = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (x, T^*g_v) = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (Tx, g_v) = 0,$$

hence,  $u \in (Ker T)^\perp$ .

In general, the solution to  $Tu = f$  is not unique, since  $\forall u_1 \in Ker T$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
(T^*g, u + u_1) &= (T^*g, u) + (T^*g, u_1) \\
&= (T^*g, u) + (g, Tu_1) = (T^*g, u)
\end{aligned}$$

and  $u, u + u_1$  are both the solution to  $Tu = f$ . However,  $u \in (Ker T)^\perp$  is the condition to assure that the above solution to  $Tu = f$  is unique.

From the above discussion, we have proved **the following important result**:

**Lemma 12.3.** (*Lax-Milgram Lemma*) If  $\|g\|^2 \leq c(\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2)$ , then  $Tu = f$  has a solution to  $f \in \text{Ker } S$ . This solution  $u$  satisfies the estimate

$$(3.12) \quad \|u\| \leq c^{\frac{1}{2}}\|f\|, \quad u \in (\text{Ker } T)^\perp$$

Note: If  $T = \bar{\partial}$ , then (3.12) implies  $u$  is orthogonal to all analytic functions.

### 12.3 Solving $\bar{\partial}$ -equations.

Now we return to practise problem that we discussed above. Assume  $H_1 = L^2_{(0,0)}(\Omega, \varphi)$ ,  $H_2 = L^2_{(0,1)}(\Omega, \varphi)$ ,  $H_3 = L^2_{(0,2)}(\Omega, \varphi)$ , where  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  and the norm of  $L^2$  space is denoted by  $\|\cdot\|$ . We define

$$\|f\|^2 = \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi} dx.$$

To the forms of types (0,1), (0,2), there are integrations of square sums of their components (relative to the factor  $e^{-\varphi}$ ). For example  $f = \sum f_i d\bar{z}^i$ , then

$$\|f\|^2 = \int_{\Omega} \sum |f_i|^2 e^{-\varphi} dx$$

It will manifest gradually the importance of weight function  $e^{-\varphi}$  in the following deduction. In fact, it is relative to the metric of ordinarily line bundle  $\Omega \times \mathbf{C}$  on  $\Omega$ . We will explain it in detail on the section of Kodaira vanishing theorem in the latter part of this book. On the other hand,  $T$  and  $S$  are closed extensions of  $\bar{\partial}$  ( on  $C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  and  $C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\bar{\Omega})$  ) on  $H_1 \xrightarrow{T} H_2 \xrightarrow{S} H_3$ . By lemma 4.3, the solution to  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem depends on the proof of the inequality (3.12).

To prove this basic inequality, we require the following steps:

1. The formally adjoint operator of  $T = \bar{\partial}$ .

First, for all  $f \in C^\infty_{(0,0)}(\bar{\Omega}) \subset \text{Dom } T$ , we have

$$(Tf, g) = (f, T^*g).$$

If  $g = \sum g_i d\bar{z}^i \in C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\bar{\Omega})$ , the above equality becomes

$$\sum_i \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i f) \bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} = (Tf, g) = (f, T^*g) = \int f (\overline{T^*g}) e^{-\varphi}.$$

is valid to all  $f \in C^\infty_{(0,0)}(\bar{\Omega})$ , especially to  $f$  with compact support. If  $\text{Supp } f \subset \Omega$ , then due to integration by parts

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i f) \bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} &= - \sum_i \int_{\Omega} f \bar{\partial}_i (\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}) \\ &= - \sum_i \int_{\Omega} f e^{\varphi} \bar{\partial}_i (\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}) e^{-\varphi} \\ &= - \sum_i \int_{\Omega} f \overline{\delta_i g_i} e^{-\varphi}, \quad \delta_i g_i = e^{\varphi} \partial_i (e^{-\varphi} g_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.13) \quad T^*g = - \sum_i \delta_i g_i.$$

This equality is the form of  $T^*g$  (when  $g \in C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$ ), we call it the **formally adjoint operator of  $T$** .

## 2. Determining $Dom T^*$ .

Does  $C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  belong to  $Dom T^*$ ? From above, when  $g \in C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  and in  $Dom T^*$ , then  $T^*g = - \sum \delta_i g_i$ . Does this  $T^*g$  satisfy  $(Tf, g) = (f, T^*g)$  to all  $f \in C_{(0,0)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$ ? Not at all, we shall add some conditions to  $g$ .

Before continuing discuss, we prove a fomula which is badically the divergence theorem.

**Proposition 12.4.** *If the boundary  $\partial\Omega = \{r = 0\}$  of a bounded domain  $\Omega = \{r < 0\}$  is differentiable,  $|dr| = 1$ , and  $L = \sum a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  is a differentiable operator of 1-order with constant coefficients, then*

$$\int_{\Omega} Lf = \int_{\partial\Omega} (Lr)f.$$

*Proof.* By usual Stokes fomula,

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n = \int_{\partial\Omega} f dx_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n$$

where  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$  can be replaced by every  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ . Let  $p \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $r$  be one of local ordinates near  $p$  because  $|dr| = 1$ . We assume local ordinates of  $\partial\Omega$  be  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n-1}$ , and  $d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1}$  the volumn element of  $\partial\Omega$ , and  $dr \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1}$  the unit volumn element near  $p$ , that is,

$$dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n = dr \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1},$$

here we can do it because  $|dr| = 1$ . Hence,

$$dx_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n = dr \wedge \omega + \alpha d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1}$$

where  $\omega$  is some  $(n-2)$ -degree form. Then

$$dr \wedge dx_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n = \alpha dr \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1},$$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x_1} dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n = \alpha dr \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\partial r}{\partial x_1}.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n &= \int_{\partial\Omega} f dx_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} f (dr \wedge \omega + \alpha d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1}) \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} f \alpha d\theta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\theta_{n-1} = \int_{\partial\Omega} f \frac{\partial r}{\partial x_1}. \end{aligned}$$



Likewise we have

$$\int_{\Omega} Lf = \int_{\partial\Omega} (Lr)f$$

where  $L = \sum a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ . It is still true when  $a_i \in \mathbf{C}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  is replaced by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_i}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Now we compute  $(Tf, g)$  for  $f \in C_{(0,0)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap C_{(0,1)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ . First,

$$\bar{\partial}_i(f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}) = (\bar{\partial}_i f)\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} + f\overline{\partial_i(g_i e^{-\varphi})}.$$

Integrating on  $\Omega$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} \bar{\partial}_i(f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}) = \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i f)\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} + \int_{\Omega} f\overline{\partial_i(g_i e^{-\varphi})}.$$

By proposition 3.4,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \bar{\partial}_i(f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i r)f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}, \\ \int_{\Omega} f\overline{\partial_i(g_i e^{-\varphi})} &= - \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i f)\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} + \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i r)f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up the above for  $i$ , the first term of the right-hand side becomes  $(-1)(Tf, g)$ , while the left-hand side is

$$\sum \int_{\Omega} f\overline{\partial_i(g_i e^{-\varphi})} = \sum \int_{\Omega} f e^{\varphi} \bar{\partial}_i(g_i e^{-\varphi}) e^{-\varphi} = (-1)(f, T^*g).$$

But  $(Tf, g) = (f, T^*g)$ , so, for  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap C_{(0,1)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ , we have

$$(3.14) \quad \sum \int_{\partial\Omega} f(\bar{\partial}_i r)\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} = 0.$$

Since  $f \in C^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$  is arbitrary, the above equation is equivalent to

$$(3.15) \quad \sum_i (\bar{\partial}_i r)g_i|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

Thus we get the sufficient and necessary condition (3.15) of  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap C_{(0,1)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ . So if  $g$  is infinitely differentiable with compact support  $\subset \Omega$ , then  $g \in \text{Dom } T^*$ .

**3.** Computing  $\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2$ , as  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S \cap C_{(0,1)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ .

We can reduce the deduced fomula above,

$$\sum \int_{\Omega} f\overline{\partial_i(g_i e^{-\varphi})} = - \sum \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i f)\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} + \sum \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i r)f\bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi}$$

to a fomula: If  $f, g \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$ , then

$$(3.16) \quad (f, \delta_i g) = -(\bar{\partial}_i f, g) + ((\bar{\partial}_i r) f, g)_{\partial\Omega}$$

where the signification of  $\delta_i$  is as same as (3.13), and  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{\partial\Omega}$  indicates the integral on  $\partial\Omega$  relative to weight factor  $e^{-\varphi}$ .

Now computing

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^*g\|^2 &= \int_{\Omega} \left| \sum_i \delta_i g_i \right|^2 e^{-\varphi} = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} (\delta_i g_i) \overline{(\delta_j g_j)} e^{-\varphi}, \\ \|Sg\|^2 &= \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i < j} |\bar{\partial}_i g_j - \bar{\partial}_j g_i|^2 e^{-\varphi} \\ &= \sum_{i < j} \int_{\Omega} (|\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 - \bar{\partial}_i g_j \cdot \overline{\bar{\partial}_j g_i} - \bar{\partial}_j g_i \cdot \overline{\bar{\partial}_i g_j} + |\bar{\partial}_j g_i|^2) e^{-\varphi} \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} (|\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 - (\bar{\partial}_i g_j)(\partial_j \bar{g}_i)) e^{-\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2 = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} |\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 e^{-\varphi} + \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} ((\delta_j g_j) \cdot \overline{(\delta_i g_i)} - (\bar{\partial}_i g_j) \cdot (\partial_j \bar{g}_i)) e^{-\varphi}.$$

By (3.16),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} (\delta_j g_j) \overline{(\delta_i g_i)} e^{-\varphi} &= -(\bar{\partial}_i \delta_j g_j, g_i) + ((\bar{\partial}_i r) \delta_j g_j, g_i)_{\partial\Omega} \\ \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i g_j) \overline{(\partial_j \bar{g}_i)} e^{-\varphi} &= -(g_j, \delta_i \bar{\partial}_j g_i) + ((\bar{\partial}_i r) g_j, \bar{\partial}_j g_i)_{\partial\Omega}. \end{aligned}$$

Noting  $\sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} g_j \partial_j \bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} \partial_i \bar{g}_j g_i e^{-\varphi} = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} \overline{g_j \partial_j \bar{g}_i} e^{-\varphi} = -\sum_{i,j} (\delta_{ij} g_i, g_j) + \sum_{i,j} (\partial_i r \bar{g}_j, \partial_j \bar{g}_i)_{\partial\Omega}$ , and substituting it to the formulas of  $\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2 &= \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} |\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 e^{-\varphi} + \sum_{i,j} ((\delta_i \bar{\partial}_j - \bar{\partial}_j \delta_i) g_i, g_j) \\ &\quad - \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i r) (\delta_j g_j) \bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} - \sum_{i,j} (\partial_i r) \bar{g}_j (\partial_j \bar{g}_i) e^{-\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

The following equality obtained by direct computation,

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_i \bar{\partial}_j - \bar{\partial}_j \delta_i) \omega &= e^\varphi \partial_i ((\bar{\partial}_j \omega) e^{-\varphi}) - \bar{\partial}_j (e^\varphi \partial_i (\omega e^{-\varphi})) \\ &= (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i \varphi) \omega. \end{aligned}$$

At the same time,  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\bar{\Omega})$ , thus  $\sum_i (\partial_i r) g_i|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$ , hence

$$\sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_i r) \delta_j g_j \cdot \bar{g}_i \cdot e^{-\varphi} = \sum_j \int_{\partial\Omega} \delta_j g_j \cdot \sum_i (\bar{\partial}_i r) \bar{g}_i e^{-\varphi} = 0.$$

Therefore, we have

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} \|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2 &= \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} |\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 e^{-\varphi} \\ &+ \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i \varphi) g_i \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi} - \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_i r) \bar{g}_j \cdot \bar{\partial}_j g_i e^{-\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

#### 4. The domination of the boundary term – Morrey’s trick.

In the history development of  $\bar{\partial}$ -operator in  $L^2$  method, it was difficult to dominate the last term in (3.17), i.e., the boundary term

$$- \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_i r) \bar{g}_j (\bar{\partial}_j g_i) e^{-\varphi}$$

for a long time, until 1958, when Morrey successfully overcame this difficulty (See C. B. Morrey, Ann. of Math. 68(1958)). The method he presented is called **Morrey’s trick** now. The method is: Let  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap C_{(0,1)}^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $r = 0$  define the boundary of  $\Omega$ , and the defining function  $r$  be differentiable. Thus

$$\sum (\partial_i r) g_i$$

are local functions, differentiable at every point. By (3.15), these functions vanish at  $r = 0$ , i.e., on  $\partial\Omega$ . By Taylor expansion, it can be written as

$$\sum (\partial_i r) g_i = \lambda \cdot r$$

where  $\lambda$  is some differentiable function. Taking  $\bar{\partial}_j$  to both sides to yield

$$\sum_i (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i r) g_i + \sum_i (\partial_i r) (\bar{\partial}_j g_i) = (\bar{\partial}_j \lambda) r + \lambda \bar{\partial}_j r.$$

Multiplying  $\bar{g}_j$  and summing up for  $j$ ,

$$\sum_{i,j} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i r) g_i \bar{g}_j + \sum_{i,j} (\partial_i r) (\bar{\partial}_j g_i) \bar{g}_j = \sum_j r (\bar{\partial}_j \lambda) \bar{g}_j + \lambda \sum_j (\bar{\partial}_j r) \bar{g}_j.$$

Integrating on  $\partial\Omega$ , noting  $r = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ ,  $\sum (\partial_j r) g_j = 0$ , to get

$$- \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_i r) (\bar{\partial}_j g_i) \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi} = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i r) g_i \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi}.$$

By (3.17), we get

$$(3.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2 &= \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} |\bar{\partial}_i g_j|^2 e^{-\varphi} + \sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i \varphi) g_i \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi} \\ &+ \sum_{i,j} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i r) g_i \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that we have not made any special restrictions to  $\Omega$  and to the choice of  $\varphi$  so far. Now we assume

(i)  $\Omega$  is a pseudoconvex domain, i.e.

$$(3.19) \quad \sum_{i,j} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i r) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq 0, \quad \forall \sum (\partial_i r) \xi_i = 0;$$

(ii)  $\varphi$  satisfies that complex Hessian is strictly positive definite, that is, there exists  $c > 0$  so that

$$(3.20) \quad \sum_{i,j} (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq c \sum |\xi_i|^2.$$

Under the above two assumptions, the first term in the right - hand side of (3.18) is nonnegative, the third term is also nonnegative because the boundary condition  $\sum (\partial_i r) g_i|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$  and (3.19), and the second term satisfies

$$\sum_{i,j} \int_{\Omega} (\bar{\partial}_j \partial_i \varphi) g_i \bar{g}_j e^{-\varphi} \geq c \sum_i \int_{\Omega} |g_i|^2 e^{-\varphi} = c \|g\|^2.$$

Hence we proved the following theorem:

**Theorem 12.5.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a pseudoconvex domain. Given a real valued function  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  satisfies  $\sum (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq c \sum |\xi_i|^2$ ,  $c > 0$ , then for  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S \cap C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\Omega)$ , we have*

$$(3.21) \quad c \|g\|^2 \leq \|T^* g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2.$$

Recall that in the previous discussion, if for all  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$ , we have  $c \|g\|^2 \leq \|T^* g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2$ , then the  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem of a pseudoconvex domain has a solution. However, (3.21) implies that  $c \|g\|^2 \leq \|T^* g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2$  holds for all **infinitely differentiable functions** in  $\text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$ . To prove this estimate holds for all  $g$  in  $\text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$ , it suffices to show that, for  $\forall g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$  there exists a sequence  $g_v \in C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  such that

$$g_v \rightarrow g, \quad T^* g_v \rightarrow T^* g, \quad Sg_v \rightarrow Sg.$$

Note that it is important to prove that these convergence holds at the same time. It is easy to prove the first and the third holds ( because  $S$  is a closed operator, by the definition of a closed operator, if  $g \in \text{Dom } S$ , then it implies there exists  $g_v \in C_{(0,1)}^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  such that  $g_v \rightarrow g$ ,  $Sg_v \rightarrow Sg$  ). The question becomes to show that the second holds at the same time. The method is called the regularization method of K. Friedrichs, first due to K. Friedrichs in 1944 ( Trans, Amer. Math. Soc. 55(1944)), P. 132 - 151 ), later Hörmander further developed it (basically, by convolution with mollifiers, i.e. smooth functions with compact support and total integral 1, one can approximate  $L^2$ -functions by smooth, compactly supported functions).

So we have proved that, for a pseudoconvex domain  $\Omega$ , if  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$  satisfies  $\sum (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq c \sum |\xi_i|^2$ , then we have

$$c \|g\|^2 \leq (\|T^*g\|^2 + \|Sg\|^2)$$

for all  $g \in \text{Dom } T^* \cap \text{Dom } S$ . Combining the former part of this section, we solved the  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem of pseudoconvex domains in the sense of distributions: for all  $f \in L^2_{(0,1)}(\Omega, \varphi)$ ,  $\bar{\partial}f = 0$ , there exists  $u \in L^2(\Omega, \varphi)$  such that

$$(3.41) \quad \bar{\partial}u = f \text{ ( extended )}, \quad \|u\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}} \|f\|$$

and  $u$  is orthogonal to all holomorphic functions in  $L^2(\Omega, \varphi)$ .

The next problem is the regularity properties of the solution  $u$ , i.e., when  $f$  have enough differentiability, the solution  $u$  to  $\bar{\partial}u = f$  must also have appropriate differentiability. In this respect the weaker result is:

**Theorem 12.6** (Inner regularity property theorem). *For a pseudoconvex domain  $\Omega$  with differentiable boundary,  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ . If  $f \in C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\Omega)$ , then  $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ .*

And stronger result is:

**Theorem 12.7** (Kohn theorem). *For a strictly pseudoconvex domain  $\Omega$ ,  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ . If  $f \in C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\Omega)$ , then  $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ .*

We only discuss inner regularity property theorem in this study material. Setting

$$(3.42) \quad L^2(\Omega, \text{loc}) = \{g \mid \text{for all } K \subset\subset \Omega, \text{ then } g \in L^2(K)\},$$

we call it **Local  $L^2$  space**.

**Lemma 12.8.** *If  $\bar{\partial}u = f \in L^2(\Omega, \text{loc})$ , then 1-order differential of  $u \in L^2(\Omega, \text{loc})$ .*

*Proof.* Obviously we only need to prove  $\partial_i u$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ )  $\in L^2(\Omega, \text{loc})$ . First we may assume  $u$  has a compact support in  $\Omega$ . We know, from Friedrichs regularization, that there exist  $u_\epsilon \in C^\infty$ , which still have the compact support in  $\Omega$  such that

$$u_\epsilon \longrightarrow u, \quad \bar{\partial}_i u_\epsilon \longrightarrow \bar{\partial}_i u.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \int |\partial_i u_\epsilon|^2 &= \int (\partial_i u_\epsilon) \overline{(\partial_i u_\epsilon)} = - \int (\bar{\partial}_i \partial_i u_\epsilon) \bar{u}_\epsilon \\ &= - \int (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_i u_\epsilon) \bar{u}_\epsilon = \int |\bar{\partial}_i u_\epsilon|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\bar{\partial}_i u_\epsilon \longrightarrow \bar{\partial}_i u$ , there exists a constant  $c$  such that  $\int |\bar{\partial}_i u_\epsilon|^2 < c$  independent on  $\epsilon$ . But bounded sets in a Hilbert space are sequence compact, that is, the

subsequence weakly converges. So we can assume that  $\partial_i u_\epsilon \rightarrow g$  (weak). Then, for every function  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\partial_i u_\epsilon, \varphi) &\rightarrow (g, \varphi) \\ &\parallel \\ -(u_\epsilon, \bar{\partial}_i \varphi) &\rightarrow -(u, \bar{\partial}_i \varphi) \quad (u_\epsilon \rightarrow u). \end{aligned}$$

So

$$(g, \varphi) = -(u, \bar{\partial}_i \varphi).$$

Hence  $g = \partial_i u$  exists, and  $\partial_i u$  is local  $L^2$ . Later we can choose a cut-off function  $\rho \geq 0$  with compact support in  $\Omega$  such that  $\rho \equiv 1$  in a more smaller compact set, thus

$$\bar{\partial}(\rho u) = (\bar{\partial}\rho)u + \rho\bar{\partial}u = (\bar{\partial}\rho)u + \rho f.$$

Obviously it is still in  $L^2$ , and  $\rho u$  has compact support, then  $\partial_i(\rho u) \in L^2$ . Hence we have proved, to every compact support  $K \subset \Omega$ , we shall choose  $\rho$  so that  $K \subset \{x | \rho \equiv 1\}$ , then  $\partial_i u \in L^2(K)$ , i.e.,  $\partial_i u$  is local  $L^2$ .  $\square$

Now we'll prove inner regularity property theorem.

*Proof.* Let  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ . If  $f$  is differentiable up to order  $s$  (in the distribution sense) and local  $L^2$ , then

$$D^s f = D^s \bar{\partial}u = \bar{\partial}(D^s u).$$

From above lemma, we have  $\bar{\partial}(D^s u) \in L^2(\Omega, loc)$ , which indicates  $u$  is differentiable up to order  $\leq s+1$  in the distribution sense and local  $L^2$ . Then derivatives of all orders of  $f$  are local  $L^2$ , so  $u$  have derivatives of all orders which is local  $L^2$ . From famous Sobolev lemma, any function with derivative of order  $\geq s + \frac{n}{2}$  in the distribution sense, and local  $L^2$ , is contained in  $C^s(\Omega)$  so that  $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ .  $\square$

Note: in this section, we only proved  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ , and  $f$  is the form of type  $(0,1)$ , by using  $L^2$  method of solving the  $\bar{\partial}$  problem in a pseudoconvex domain. In fact, when  $f$  is the form of type  $(0, p)$  ( $p \leq n$ ),  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ ;  $u$  is the form of type  $(0, p-1)$ , one can still solve it, using a similar proof.

## 12.4 Levi Problem

In this section, we will discuss Levi problem by applying  $\bar{\partial}$  problem. In history, the solution of Levi problem was first obtained by the method of coherent sheaf, then the method of  $L^2$  estimate appeared. The advantage of  $L^2$  estimate is that its solution possesses naturally  $L^2$  estimate, but it can not be applied to the spaces with singularity. The third method is using integral representation, its solution also has  $L^\infty$  estimate. It will be discussed in §5.

**Problem 12.9** (Levi problem). *If  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$  is a bounded domain,  $\partial\Omega$  is differentiable, pseudoconvex, then  $\Omega$  is a domain of holomorphy.*

Before prove Theorem 3.11, we recall the assumption of  $\bar{\partial}$  problem on a pseudoconvex domain: If  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$ , bounded, pseudoconvex and  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$ ,

$$(3.43) \quad \sum (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq c \sum |\xi_i|^2; \quad c > 0,$$

then the  $\bar{\partial}$  problem has solutions and if  $f \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ , so  $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ . Now we first explain that the condition (3.43) can be reduced to that  $\varphi$  is plurisubharmonic (p.s.h.).

**Lemma 12.10.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a pseudoconvex domain, and  $\varphi$  be p.s.h. in some neighborhood of  $\bar{\Omega}$ . If  $f$  is a  $\bar{\partial}$  closed form of type (0,1) satisfying*

$$(3.44) \quad \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty \quad (|z|^2 = \sum z_i \bar{z}_i)$$

then there exists  $u$  such that  $\bar{\partial}u = f$  and

$$(3.45) \quad \int_{\Omega} |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}.$$

*Proof.* If  $\varphi \in C^\infty$  and  $\varphi$  is p.s.h., then  $(\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \geq 0$ , so

$$(3.46) \quad \sum \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (\varphi + |z|^2) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq \sum |\xi_i|^2.$$

In the solution to  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem, we replace  $\varphi + |z|^2$  by  $\varphi$ . Next we note that (3.46) is equivalent to  $c = 1$  in (3.43), it completes (3.45).

If we only assume  $\varphi$  is p.s.h. in some neighborhood of  $\bar{\Omega}$ , we can use the convolution  $\varphi_\epsilon = \varphi * \chi_\epsilon$  so that  $\varphi_\epsilon \searrow \varphi$ . Let  $\chi$  be a  $C^\infty$  function of  $|z|$  and its support in  $|z| \leq 1$ ,  $\chi \geq 0$ ,  $\int \chi = 1$ . Set  $\chi_\epsilon = \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2n}} \chi(\frac{z}{\epsilon})$ . We only prove the theorem in the case  $n = 1$ , since it is similar in the case  $n > 1$ . Let  $t = re^{i\theta}$  and  $d\sigma_t$  is the volume element of  $\mathbf{C}'$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi * \chi_\epsilon)(z) &= \int \varphi(z-t) \chi_\epsilon(t) d\sigma_t = \int \varphi(z-re^{i\theta}) \chi_\epsilon(r) r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^\epsilon \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(z-r^{i\theta}) d\theta r \chi_\epsilon(r) dr \\ &\geq \left( 2\pi \int_0^\epsilon \chi_\epsilon(r) r dr \right) \varphi(z) \\ &= \varphi(z) \int_0^\epsilon \int_0^{2\pi} \chi_\epsilon(r) r dr d\theta = \varphi(z). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varphi$  is upper semicontinuous, it is locally bounded. Let  $M = \sup_{a \text{ neighborhood of } \bar{\Omega}} \varphi = M$ , then

$$\varphi_\epsilon(z) = (\varphi * \chi_\epsilon)(z) = \int \varphi(z-t) \chi_\epsilon(t) \leq M \int \chi_\epsilon(t) = M.$$

We have  $\varphi_\epsilon \rightarrow \varphi$  ( $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ), so  $\varphi(z) \leq \varphi_\epsilon(z) \leq M$ , and  $\varphi_\epsilon$  are p.s.h., since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi_\epsilon(z + re^{i\theta}w) d\theta &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int \varphi(z + re^{i\theta}w - t) \chi_\epsilon(t) d\sigma_t d\theta \\ &= \int \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(z - t + te^{i\theta}w) \chi_\epsilon(t) d\theta \right) d\sigma_t \\ &\geq \int \varphi(z - t) \chi_\epsilon(t) d\sigma_t = \varphi_\epsilon(z). \end{aligned}$$

We choose a sequence  $\varphi_v$  in  $\varphi_\epsilon$  so that  $\varphi_v \rightarrow \varphi$  ( $\varphi \rightarrow \infty$ ). Applying  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem to  $\varphi_v$  (since they are  $C^\infty$ ), there exist  $u_v$  such that  $\bar{\partial}u_v = f$  and

$$\int_\Omega |u_v|^2 e^{-\varphi_v - |z|^2} \leq \int_\Omega |f|^2 e^{-\varphi_v - |z|^2} \leq \int_\Omega |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty.$$

Since  $\varphi_v \leq M$ ,

$$\int_\Omega |u_v|^2 e^{-M - |z|^2} \leq \int_\Omega |u_v|^2 e^{-\varphi_v - |z|^2} < +\infty.$$

Hence  $\{u_v\}$  is uniformly bounded in  $L^2$ . But

$$\bar{\partial}(u_v - u_1) = 0.$$

This means that  $\{u_v - u_1\}$  is a family of analytic functions on  $\Omega$ . Also  $\int |u_v - u_1|^2 \leq \int |u_v|^2 + |u_1|^2 < +\infty$ . To each compact set  $K$  in  $\Omega$ ,  $\{u_v - u_1\}$  is uniformly bounded on  $K$ , so  $\{u_v - u_1\}$  is a normal family. Hence there exists a subsequence (without loss of generality, we still assume  $\{u_v - u_1\}$ ) which converges uniformly to an analytic function  $u - u_1$  on any compact set of  $\Omega$ , i.e.,

$$u_v - u_1 \rightarrow u - u_1,$$

so

$$\bar{\partial}u = \bar{\partial}(u - u_1) + \bar{\partial}u_1 = f.$$

By Fatou lemma (the lemma is:  $\int \liminf |f_n| \leq \liminf \int |f_n|$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_\Omega |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} &= \int \liminf_v |u_v|^2 e^{-\varphi_v - |z|^2} \\ &\leq \liminf \int |u_v|^2 e^{-\varphi_v - |z|^2} \\ &\leq \int |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

□

The lemma below indicates that the condition of  $\varphi$  can be reduced to that  $\varphi$  is only a p.s.h function on  $\Omega$ .



**Lemma 12.11.** *The assumptions and results are as the same as lemma 3.12, except that  $\varphi$  is p.s.h. on a neighborhood of  $\bar{\Omega}$  replaced by  $\Omega$ .*

*Proof.* The difference with the proof of lemma 3.12 is that we can not use the method of  $\varphi * \chi_\epsilon$ . because  $\varphi$  is only defined on  $\Omega$  and the definition domain of  $\varphi * \chi_\epsilon$  is outside  $\Omega$ .

By a result in §2, if  $\Omega$  is a pseudoconvex domain, then  $-\log d \in C^\infty(\Omega)$  and p.s.h.. Let

$$\Omega_c = \{-\log d < c\}.$$

By Sard theorem ( $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  is differentiable, the measure of the point set  $\{f(x) | x \in \Omega, df(x) = 0\}$  is zero), for almost all  $c$ , the differential of  $(-\log d - c) \neq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega_c$ , since  $-\log d$  is p.s.h., and  $(\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (-1) \log d) \geq 0$ . So for these  $c$ ,  $\Omega_c$  are pseudoconvex domains.

Now if  $f$  is a one-form of type (0,1), satisfying  $\bar{\partial}f = 0$ ,  $\int |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty$ , then by lemma 3.12, there exist  $u_c$  on  $\Omega_c$  such that

$$\bar{\partial}u_c = f|_{\Omega_c},$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega_c} |u_c|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega_c} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}.$$

Obviously, if  $d > c$ , then  $\Omega_c \subset \Omega_d$ ,  $\bar{\partial}(u_c - u_d)|_{\Omega_c} = 0$ , that is,  $u_c - u_d$  is analytic on  $\Omega_c$ .

Because  $\varphi$  is upper semicontinuous, it has superior limit on every compact subsets in  $\Omega$ , so  $e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}$  has inferior limit on every compact subset. Same as in the proof of lemma 3.12, for every compact subset  $K \subset \Omega_c \cap \Omega_d$ ,  $\{u_c - u_d\}$  is uniformly bounded on  $K$ . So, for every fixed  $c$ ,  $\{u_d - u_c\}_{d>c}$  is a normal family of holomorphic functions on  $\Omega_c$ .

Now choose  $c_1$  arbitrarily. In  $\{u_d - u_{c_1}\}_{d>c_1}$ , we choose a subsequence  $\{u_{d_1} - u_{c_1}, u_{d_2} - u_{c_1}, \dots\}$  converges on  $\Omega_{c_1}$ . Let  $c_2$  be sufficiently large in  $\{d_1, d_2, \dots\}$ . In  $\{u_{d_m} - u_{c_2}\}_{d_m>c_2}$ , we choose a subsequence  $\{u_{e_1} - u_{c_2}, u_{e_2} - u_{c_2}, \dots\}$  converges on  $\Omega_{c_2}$ . Note  $\{e_i\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{d_i\}$ . Still let  $c_3$  sufficiently large in  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ , with the similar methods, we can get  $c_j \rightarrow \infty$  and for every fixed  $i$ ,  $\{u_{c_j} - u_{c_i}\}$  ( $j \rightarrow \infty$ ) converges to an analytic function on  $\Omega_{c_i}$ . Then,  $u = \lim_j u_{c_j}$  exists and  $(u - u_{c_i})$  is holomorphic on  $\Omega_{c_i}$  for each  $i$ . So

on  $\Omega_{c_i}$ ,  $\bar{\partial}u = \bar{\partial}(u - u_{c_i} + u_{c_i}) = f$ , hence  $\bar{\partial}u = f$  for entire  $\Omega$ .

By Fatou lemma,

$$\int_{\Omega_c} |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \lim_j \int_{\Omega_c} |u_{c_j}|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}.$$

Let  $c \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\int_{\Omega} |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}.$$

□

Now we can prove the Levi problem.

**Theorem 12.12** (Levi conjecture). *If  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$  is a bounded domain,  $\partial\Omega$  is differentiable and pseudoconvex, then  $\Omega$  is a domain of holomorphy.*

*Proof.* We need prove that, for each point  $a^*$  in  $\partial\Omega$ , there exists an analytic function on  $\Omega$  which can not be analytically extension over  $a^*$ . Fix  $a^* \in \partial\Omega$  arbitrarily. Let points  $a_i$  in  $\Omega$  satisfy  $a_i \rightarrow a^*$ . We shall construct an analytic function  $F$  satisfying  $F(a_i) = i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Then the proof is completed.

For each  $a_i$ , we choose a neighborhood  $U_i$ ,  $a_i \in U_i$ , and the intersection of every two of  $U_i$  is void. Let functions  $\rho_i \in C^\infty$ ,  $\rho_i \geq 0$ ,  $Supp \rho_i \subset U_i$ , and be equal to 1 in a more smaller neighborhood of  $a_i$ . Let  $f = \bar{\partial}(\sum i\rho_i) \in C^\infty_{(0,1)}(\bar{\Omega})$  to solve  $\bar{\partial}u = f$ . By the solvability of  $\bar{\partial}$ -problem on a pseudoconvex domain and inner regularity theorem, the solution  $u$  exists and  $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ . Let  $F = \sum i\rho_i - u$ , then  $\bar{\partial}F = \bar{\partial}(\sum i\rho_i) - \bar{\partial}u = f - \bar{\partial}u = 0$ . Hence  $F$  is analytic on  $\Omega$ . If we can prove  $u(a_i) = 0$ , then

$$F(a_i) = (\sum i\rho_i - u)(a_i) = i.$$

To prove  $u(a_i) = 0$ , we must use the estimate of  $\bar{\partial}$ -solution. By lemma 3.13, if a p.s.h. function  $\varphi$  on  $\Omega$  satisfies

$$\int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty,$$

then the solution  $u$  to  $\bar{\partial}u = f$  has the estimate

$$\int_{\Omega} |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} \leq \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty.$$

If we can choose this p.s.h. function  $\varphi$  such that  $\varphi$  descends fast enough in a neighborhood of  $a_i$ ,  $\varphi(a_i) = -\infty$  (note p.s.h. function can have value  $-\infty$ ), then by  $e^{-\varphi - |z|^2}(a_i) = +\infty$  (fast enough), if  $u(a_i) \neq 0$  (note  $u$  is  $C^\infty$ ), it contradicts to  $\int |u|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty$ . Hence the choice of  $\varphi$  must satisfy  $\int |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty$  at the same time. By  $f = \bar{\partial}(\sum i\rho_i)$ ,  $\sum i\rho_i$  is equal to  $i$  near  $a_i$ , so  $f$  vanishes near  $a_i$ , it is possible to choose this  $\varphi$ . How do we choose  $\varphi$ ? First we let  $\psi = \sum_m \rho_m \log|z - a_m|$ ,  $\psi \in C^\infty$  except  $z = a_m$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots$ ), its support  $\subset \bigcup_m Supp \rho_m$ . Usually  $\psi$  is not p.s.h.. Consider  $\chi = -\log d + |z|^2$ . Since  $\Omega$  is pseudoconvex,  $-\log d$  is  $C^\infty$  and p.s.h., then  $-\log d + |z|^2$  is strictly p.s.h., obviously, as  $z \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ ,  $\chi(z) \rightarrow \infty$ . Choose a function  $\sigma : R \rightarrow R$  with  $\sigma' \geq 0$ ,  $\sigma'' \geq 0$ . We will show that  $\varphi = \sigma \circ \chi + \psi$  satisfying the conditions mentioned above:

1<sup>0</sup>  $\varphi$  is p.s.h.

In fact,

$$\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (\sigma \circ \chi) = (\sigma' \circ \chi) \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \chi + (\sigma'' \circ \chi) \partial_i \chi \circ r_l \text{lined} \partial_j \chi;$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (\sigma \circ \chi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j &= \sum (\sigma' \circ \chi) (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \chi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j + (\sigma'' \circ \chi) \left| \sum (\partial_i \chi) \xi_i \right|^2 \\ &\geq (\sigma' \circ \chi) \sum |\xi_i|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where, in above, we used the property that  $\sigma' \geq 0$ , and  $(\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \chi) = (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (-\log d + |z|^2)) \geq I$ . Therefore, when  $z \notin \text{Supp } \psi \subset \bigcup_m \text{Supp } \rho_m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \varphi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j &= \sum \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (\sigma \circ \chi + \psi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \\ &= \sum \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j (\sigma \circ \chi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

But  $z$  is in a sufficiently small neighborhood near  $a_m$ , and  $\rho_m \equiv 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j 2 \log |z - a_m|) &= \frac{\delta_{ij}}{|z - a_m|^2} - \frac{1}{|z - a_m|^4} ((z_i - a_m^i)(\bar{z}_j - \bar{a}_m^j)); \\ \sum_{i,j} \partial_i \bar{\partial}_j 2 \log |z - a_m| \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j &= \frac{1}{|z - a_m|^2} \sum |\xi_i|^2 - \frac{1}{|z - a_m|^4} \left| \sum (z_i - a_m^i) \xi_i \right|^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{|z - a_m|^2} \sum |\xi_i|^2 - \frac{1}{|z - a_m|^4} \left( \sum |\xi_i|^2 \right) |z - a_m|^2 \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

At other points in  $\text{Supp } \rho_m$ ,  $(\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \psi)$  may be negative definite, but they are bounded. If  $\sigma'$  increase fast enough ( $\sigma''$  larger), then

$$(\sigma' \circ \chi) \left( \sum |\xi_i|^2 \right) + \sum (\partial_i \bar{\partial}_j \psi) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq 0.$$

Thus  $\varphi = \sigma \circ \chi + \psi$  is p.s.h..

$2^0$

$$\int |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty.$$

In fact, because  $f \equiv 0$  in the sufficiently small neighborhoods of every  $a_m$ ,  $|f|^2 e^{-\psi - |z|^2}$  are locally bounded except for these small neighborhoods. If we choose  $\sigma$  satisfying  $\sigma(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  fast enough as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ , then, as  $z \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ ,  $\chi(z) \rightarrow \infty$ . So  $(\sigma \circ \chi)(z) \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $e^{-\sigma \circ \chi(z)} \rightarrow 0$ , and

$$\int |f|^2 e^{-\psi - |z|^2} \cdot e^{-\sigma \circ \chi} = \int |f|^2 e^{-\varphi - |z|^2} < +\infty.$$

The concrete construction is choosing  $\sigma'$  first, then defining  $\sigma$  by  $\sigma = \int \sigma'$ . The proof of the theorem is completed.  $\square$

## 12.5 Homander's Theorem

The above method of using Lax-Milgram Lemma and the Morrey Tirck can be extended to any "psudoconvex" domain in a Kahler manifold to solve  $\bar{\partial}$ -equation

for  $L$ -value forms where  $L$  is a Hermitian line bundle, using the notions discussed in the previous chapter.

We first discuss the notion of *pseudoconvexity*. Let  $X$  be a complex manifold and  $Y \subset\subset X$  an open subset whose boundary  $\partial Y$  is smooth and of real codimension 1. For each  $x \in \partial Y$  there is a neighborhood  $U$  on  $x \in$  and a smooth function  $\rho : \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that  $U \cap \partial Y = \{\rho = 0\}$  and  $d\rho|_{U \cap \partial Y}$  is nowhere zero. The *complex tangent space* to  $\partial Y$  at  $x \in \partial Y$  is the collection of all vectors  $v \in T_{X,x}$  such that  $v \in T_{\partial Y,x}$  and  $Jv \in T_{\partial Y,x}$ , where  $J$  is the almost complex structure on  $X$  associated to the complex structure. We write

$$v \in T_{\partial Y,x}^{1,0}.$$

Note that if  $v \in T_{\partial Y,x}^{1,0}$  then  $d\rho|_{U \cap \partial Y}(x)v = 0$  and  $Jd\rho|_{U \cap \partial Y}(x)Jv = 0$ , and thus

$$\partial\rho(x)v = 0.$$

Conversely, if  $\partial\rho(x)v = 0$ , then  $\partial\rho(x)Jv = J\partial\rho(x)v = 0$ , and thus we see that

$$T_{\partial Y,x}^{1,0} = \text{Kernel } \partial\rho(x).$$

Next we pursue a notion of curvature of the boundary that is appropriate in complex geometry. With this pursuit in mind, consider the  $(1,1)$ -form  $\partial\bar{\partial}\rho(x)$  on the boundary  $\partial Y$ . We say that the point  $x \in \partial Y$  is *pseudoconvex boundary point* if for all  $v \in T_{\partial Y,x}^{1,0}$ ,

$$\partial\bar{\partial}\rho(x)(v, \bar{v}) \geq 0.$$

Observe that if  $\rho$  is replaced by  $h\rho$  for some smooth positive function  $h$ , then

$$\partial\bar{\partial}(h\rho) = h\partial\bar{\partial}\rho + \bar{\partial}\rho \wedge \bar{\partial}h + \bar{\partial}h \wedge \bar{\partial}\rho.$$

It follows that for  $v, w \in T_{\partial Y,x}^{1,0}$ ,

$$\partial\bar{\partial}(h\rho(x))(v, \bar{v}) = h(x)\partial\bar{\partial}\rho(x)(v, \bar{v}).$$

Thus the notion of pseudoconvexity does not depend on the choice of the function  $\rho$ . The form

$$\mathcal{L}_x := \partial\bar{\partial}\rho(x)(v, \bar{v})$$

is called the *Levi form*.

Recall that from Bochner-Kodaira's formula (see previous section) for any smooth  $E$ -valued  $(0, q)$ -form  $\phi$ ,

$$(7.5) \quad (\square\phi, \phi) = \|\bar{\nabla}\phi\|_M + (\text{Ric}\phi, \phi)_M + (\Omega\phi, \phi)_M,$$

where

$$\|\bar{\nabla}\phi\|_M = \int_M g^{i\bar{j}} \bar{\nabla}_j \phi_{\bar{j}_q}^\alpha \overline{\bar{\nabla}_i \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}^{j_1 \dots j_q}},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(Ric\phi, \phi)_M &= - \sum_{k=1}^q \int_M R_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{s}} \phi_{j_1 \dots (\bar{s})_k \dots \bar{j}_q}^{\alpha} \overline{\phi_{\bar{\alpha}}^{j_1 \dots j_q}}, \\
(\Omega\phi, \phi)_M &= \sum_{k=1}^q \int_M \Omega_{\bar{j}_k}^{\bar{l}} \phi_{j_1 \dots (\bar{l})_k \dots \bar{j}_q}^{\alpha} \overline{\phi_{\bar{\alpha}}^{j_1 \dots j_q}},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Omega$  is the curvature form of  $E$ . Notice that

$$(\square\phi, \phi) = \|\bar{\partial}\phi\|^2 + \|\bar{\partial}^*\phi\|^2,$$

so the Lax-Milgram Lemma can be applied. Using the same Morrey's trick, we can get

**Theorem (Hormander)** *Let  $(X, g)$  be a Kahler manifold and let  $L \rightarrow X$  be a holomorphic line bundle with Hermitian metric  $h$  having the curvature  $\Omega$  such that*

$$(Ric\phi, \phi)_M + (\Omega\phi, \phi)_M \geq c\|\phi\|^2$$

*for some positive constant  $c$ . Let  $Y$  be a pseudoconvex domain in  $X$ . Then, for each  $L$ -valued  $(p, q)$  form  $\omega$  such that*

$$\int_Y |\omega|_{h,g}^2 dV < +\infty \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\partial}\omega = 0$$

*in the sense of distribution, there exists a  $L$ -valued  $(p, q-1)$  form  $u$  such that*

$$\bar{\partial}u = \omega \quad \text{and} \quad \int_Y |u|_{h,g}^2 dV \leq \frac{1}{c} \int_Y |\omega|_{h,g}^2 dV.$$

As a consequence of Hormander's theorem, we re-prove the Kodaira's vanishing theorem.

## Chapter 13

# Positive Closed Currents Theory

### 13.1 Plurisubharmonic functions

When  $n = 1$ , for a  $C^2$ -function  $u$  defined on an open subset  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}$ , we recall that  $u$  is harmonic on  $\Omega \iff \Delta u = 0 \iff$  locally  $u = \operatorname{Re}(f)$  for  $f \in \mathcal{O} \iff dd^c u = 0 \iff \forall a \in \Omega, \Delta(u, |\zeta|) \subset \Omega$  such that  $u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(a + \zeta e^{i\theta}) d\theta$ . And  $u$  is subharmonic on  $\Omega$  if and only if  $u; \Omega \rightarrow [-\infty, +\infty)$  is semicontinuous such that

$$u(a) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(a + \zeta e^{i\theta}) d\theta.$$

As an example, for any local holomorphic function  $f$ ,  $\log |f|$  is subharmonic.

When  $n \geq 1$ , for any  $C^2$ -function  $u$  defined on an open subset  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$ , we define

$$u \text{ is harmonic on } \Omega \iff u \in H(\Omega) \iff \Delta u = 0.$$

$$u \text{ is subharmonic on } \Omega \iff u \in SH(\Omega) \iff \Delta u \geq 0.$$

$$u \text{ pluriharmonic on } \Omega \iff u \in PH(\Omega) \iff dd^c u = 0.$$

$$u \text{ is plurisubharmonic on } \Omega \iff u \in PSH(\Omega) \iff dd^c u \geq 0.$$

We have

$$PH(\Omega) \subsetneq H(\Omega)$$

$$PSH(\Omega) \subsetneq SH(\Omega) \subset L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$$

$$PH(\Omega) \subsetneq PH(\Omega), H(\Omega) \subsetneq SH(\Omega).$$

The condition of  $C^2$ -smooth is in general not required to define harmonic functions.

**Definition** Let  $u : \Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be continuous.  $u$  is said to be harmonic if  $u \not\equiv -\infty$  on each connected component of  $\Omega$ , and  $\forall B(a, r) \subset \Omega$ ,

$$u(a) = A(u, ar) := \frac{1}{\lambda(B(0, 1))r^m} \int_{B(a, r)} u(x) d\lambda(x)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ .

**Definition** Let  $u : \Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty)$  be upper semicontinuous.  $u$  is said to be subharmonic if  $u \not\equiv -\infty$  on each connected component of  $\Omega$ , and  $\forall B(a, r) \subset \Omega$ ,

$$u(a) \leq A(u, ar) := \frac{1}{\lambda(B(0, 1))r^m} \int_{B(a, r)} u(x) d\lambda(x)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ .

**Definition** Let  $u : \Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be upper semicontinuous.  $u$  is said to be plurisubharmonic on  $\Omega$  if  $u \not\equiv -\infty$  on each connected component of  $\Omega$ , and for every complex line  $l$ ,  $u|_{\Omega \cap l}$  is subharmonic or  $u|_{\Omega \cap l} \equiv -\infty$ .

**Remarks:**

- $\log |f|^2 \in PSH(\Omega)$ , for any  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ . Notice that  $\log(|f_1|^2 + \cdots + |f_m|^2)$  may not be in  $PH(\Omega)$  for  $m > 1$ . But we always have

$$\log(|f_1|^2 + \cdots + |f_m|^2) \in PSH(\Omega) \subset SH(\Omega) \subset L_{loc}^1(\Omega).$$

- If  $u \in C^2(\Omega)$ , then

$$u \in PSH(\Omega) \iff \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_k} \right) \text{ is semipositive definite matrix.}$$

- If  $u_k \in PSH(\Omega)$ ,  $u_k \searrow u$ , then  $u = \lim_k u_k \in PSH(\Omega)$ .
- Let  $u \in PSH(\Omega)$ . Then  $u \star \rho_\epsilon \in C^\infty \cap PSH(\Omega_\epsilon)$  and  $\Omega_\epsilon = \{x \in \Omega \mid \text{dist}(x, \partial\Omega) > \epsilon\}$ .

## 13.2 Currents

Recall that if  $f, g \in C^0[0, 1]$ , then  $f \equiv g$  if and only if  $\int_0^1 f(x)\phi(x) = \int_0^1 g(x)\phi(x)$  for every  $\phi \in C_0^\infty[0, 1]$ . Also for closed intervals  $A, B \subset \mathbf{R}$ ,  $A = B$  if and only if  $\int_A \phi(x) = \int_B \phi(x)$ . Here "functions" and "subsets" can be regarded as **linear functional forms** on  $C_0^\infty[0, 1]$ . These concepts are unified by a general concept of *currents*: Let  $M$  be a real differentiable manifold with  $\dim M = m$ . A *current* of degree  $q = m - p$  (or dimension  $p$ ) is a real linear map  $T : \mathcal{D}^p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , such that for any compact subset  $K$  of  $M$ , there exists constant  $C_K$  with

$$|T(\phi)| \leq C_K \sup_K |\phi|_N, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}^p(M) \text{ supp}(\phi) \subset K$$

where  $|\phi|_N = \sum_{|I| \leq N} |D^I \phi|$ , and where  $\mathcal{D}^p(M)$  is the set of smooth  $p$ -forms on  $M$  with compact support. The set of currents of degree  $q = m - p$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{D}'^q(M) = \mathcal{D}'_p(M)$ . Typical examples are smooth or  $L^1_{loc}$   $q$ -forms  $\beta$  with  $T = [\beta]$  is defined by  $T(\phi) = \int_M \beta \wedge \phi$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}^p(M)$  with  $q = m - p$ , as well as  $p$ -dimensional oriented submanifold  $S \subset M$  with  $T = [S]$  defined as  $T(\phi) = \int_S \phi$ .

For any  $T \in \mathcal{D}'^q(M)$ , define  $dT \in \mathcal{D}'^{q+1}(M)$  by

$$dT(\phi) = (-1)^{q+1} T(d\phi), \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}_{m-q-q}(M).$$

We say that  $T$  is *closed* if  $dT = 0$ .

Notice that Stoke's theorem implies that

$$\int_S d\phi = \int_{\partial S} \phi$$

meaning that

$$d[S] = (-1)^{m-p+1} [\partial S].$$

Now consider a complex manifold  $X$  with  $n = \dim X$ . We define

$\mathcal{D}^{p,q}(X)$  = the set of smooth  $(p, q)$  - forms with compact support,

and

$\mathcal{D}'^{p,q}(X) = \mathcal{D}'_{n-p,n-q}(X)$  = the set of all  $(p, q)$  - currents.

$T \in \mathcal{D}'_{n-p,n-q}(X)$  is called (*weekly*) *positive* if  $\forall (1, 0)$ -form  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p$  on  $X$ ,

$$T \wedge i\alpha_1 \wedge \bar{\alpha}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_p \wedge \bar{\alpha}_p$$

is a positive measure, i.e.  $(T \wedge i\alpha_1 \wedge \bar{\alpha}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_p \wedge \bar{\alpha}_p)(\phi) \geq 0, \forall \phi \in C_0^\infty(X)$  with  $\phi \geq 0$ . We denote  $T \geq 0$ .

**Example** If  $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap PSH(\Omega)$  where  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}^n$ , then the matrix

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_j} \right) \geq 0, \text{ i.e. semipositive definite, } \iff \sum_{j,k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_k}, \forall \zeta(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$$

so that  $T = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} u \geq 0$  is semipositive definite, and hence is a positive current.

**Example** If  $u \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$ , then

$$u \in PSH(\Omega) \iff T = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} u \geq 0$$

as positive current.

**Theorem (1)** If  $u \in PSH(\Omega)$ , then  $T = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial \bar{\partial} u$  is a positive current.



(2) ( $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -Poincare lemma) Let  $T$  be a closed positive  $(1,1)$ -current. Then locally

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial\bar{\partial}u$$

for some  $u \in PSH(\Omega)$ .

**Theorem (Poincare-Lelong) formula:** Let  $X$  be a complex manifold and  $f \in \mathcal{O}(X)$  be a holomorphic function. Then

$$\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial\bar{\partial} \log |f|^2 = [f = 0] \in \mathcal{D}'^{1,1}(X)$$

holds as currents.

*Proof.* We only prove  $n = 1$ . It is then a local problem so that we can consider  $f(z) = z^m g(z)$ , where  $g$  is defined on a neighborhood  $U$  of 0 and  $g(z) \neq 0$  on  $U$ . Then

$$\partial\bar{\partial} \log |f|^2 = \partial\bar{\partial} \log |z|^{2m}$$

So we only need to show that

$$\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial\bar{\partial} \log |z|^{2m} = [\text{zero}(z^m)] \in \mathcal{D}'^{1,1}(\mathbf{C}).$$

In fact,  $\forall \phi$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial\bar{\partial} \log |z|^{2m}(\phi) &= \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} (\partial\bar{\partial} \log |z|^{2m}) \phi \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} \bar{\partial} \partial \log |z|^{2m} \phi \quad \text{using } \partial\bar{\partial} + \bar{\partial}\partial = 0 \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} d(\partial \log |z|^{2m}) \phi \quad \text{using } \partial^2 = 0 \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{-1}m}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} (\partial \log |z|^2) \wedge \bar{\partial} \phi \quad \text{using the fact that } \text{supp}(\phi) \subset \Delta \subset \mathbf{C} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{-1}m}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\bar{z}}{z} \wedge \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z} = -\frac{\sqrt{-1}m}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{dz \wedge d\bar{z}}{z-0} \\ &= m\phi(0). \quad \text{by Cauchy's integral formula} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$[\text{zero}(z^m)](\phi) = m[\{0\}](\phi) = m\phi(0).$$

This proves the theorem for the case  $n = 1$ . The case when  $n > 1$  is similar.

### 13.3 Singular metric

Kodaria's vanishing theorem has been extended by Nadel to line bundles with singular metric (i.e.  $h = \{h_\alpha\}$ , where  $h_\alpha$  may be singular). We write  $h_\alpha = e^{-\kappa_\alpha}$ , here we usually write  $\kappa := \kappa_\alpha$  if no risk of confusion, then the curvature  $\Theta_h := \partial\bar{\partial}\kappa$  is not a smooth differential form anymore if the metrics singular(it is in fact is called *current*). We say that  $e^\kappa$  has non-negative (reps. positive) curvature current if  $\Theta_h$  is a non-negative (reps. (1,1)- current, or equivalently, the local representatives  $\kappa$  are plurisubharmonic.

- Currents: Recall that if  $f, g \in C^0[0, 1]$ , then  $f \equiv g$  if and only if  $\int_0^1 f(x)\phi(x) = \int_0^1 g(x)\phi(x)$  for every  $\phi \in C_0^\infty[0, 1]$ . Also for closed intervals  $A, B \subset \mathbf{R}$ ,  $A = B$  if and only if  $\int_A \phi(x) = \int_B \phi(x)$ . Here "functions" and "subsets" can be regarded as **linear functional forms** on  $C_0^\infty[0, 1]$ . These concepts are unified by a general concept of *currents*: Let  $M$  be a real differentiable manifold with  $\dim M = m$ . A *current* of degree  $q = m - p$  (or dimension  $p$ ) is a real linear map  $T : \mathcal{D}^p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $\mathcal{D}^p(M)$  is the set of smooth  $p$ -forms on  $M$  with compact support. Typical examples are smooth or  $L_{loc}^1$   $q$ -forms  $\beta$  with  $T = [\beta]$  is defined by  $T(\phi) = \int_M \beta \wedge \phi$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}^p(M)$  with  $q = m - p$ , as well as  $p$ -dimensional oriented submanifold  $S \subset M$  with  $T = [S]$  defined as  $T(\phi) = \int_S \phi$ .
- Poincare-Lelong formula: Let  $f \in \mathcal{O}(M)$  be a holomorphic function. Then

$$\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \partial\bar{\partial} \log |f|^2 = [f = 0]$$

holds as currents.

- Example of singular metric: Let  $L \rightarrow M$  be a holomorphic line bundle. Let  $m$  be a positive integer and  $s^1, \dots, s^N$  be sections of  $mL$ . Write  $s = s_\alpha e_\alpha$ , and define

$$\kappa_\alpha = \frac{1}{m} \log(|s_\alpha^1|^2 + \dots + |s_\alpha^N|^2).$$

This singular metric blows up exactly on the common zeros of the sections  $s^1, \dots, s^N$ .

- Let  $U \subset M$  be an open subset, and let  $\phi$  be a locally integrable function on  $U$ . We define

$$\mathcal{I}(U) := \{f \in \mathcal{O}_M(U) : |f|^2 e^{-\phi} \in L_{loc}^1(U)\}.$$

The corresponding sheaf of germs  $\mathcal{I}_\phi$  is called the multiplier ideal sheaf associated to  $\phi$ .

- Nadel proved that if  $\phi$  is a plurisubharmonic, then the multiplier ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_\phi$  is a coherent sheaf of ideals.

- Nadel's Vanishing Theorem: *Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold with Kähler form  $\omega$ , and let  $F$  be a line bundle with singular Hermitian metric  $h = e^{-\phi}$  such that  $\sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\phi \geq \epsilon\omega$  for some continuous function  $\epsilon > 0$  (in the sense of distribution). Then, for  $q \geq 1$ ,  $H^q(X, \mathcal{O}_X(K_X + F) \otimes \mathcal{I}_\phi) = 0$  where  $K_X$  is the canonical line bundle of  $X$ .*

The point of the proof is that *any plurisubharmonic function is the limit of a decreasing sequence of smooth plurisubharmonic functions*, so eventually it can be reduced to the smooth case.

- Lelong numbers of plurisubharmonic functions: The zero of the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_\phi$  is then the set of points where  $e^{-\phi}$  is not locally integrable. Such points only occur where  $\phi$  has poles, but the poles need to have a sufficiently high order. If  $\phi = \frac{1}{m} \log(|s_\alpha^1|^2 + \cdots + |s_\alpha^N|^2)$  as in the example earlier, then one has a notion of (log)-pole order. In general, the pole orders are defined using the so-called Lelong numbers: Let  $X$  be a complex manifold and  $\phi$  a plurisubharmonic function in a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x \in X$ . Fix a coordinate chart  $U$  near  $x$ , and let  $z$  be a local coordinates vanishing on  $x$ . The Lelong number of  $\phi$  is defined to be the number

$$v(\phi, x) := \liminf_{z \rightarrow x} \frac{\phi(z)}{\log|x-z|^2}.$$

We also set

$$E_c(\phi) := \{x \in X; v(\phi, x) \geq c\}.$$

- A famous paper of Siu showed that  $E_c(\phi)$  is a complex analytic set.
- The Lelong number information  $v(\phi, x)$  gives the information about the vanishing order of  $f$  at  $x$  for  $f \in \mathcal{I}_{\phi, x}$  which is stated as the lemma of Skoda: *Let  $\phi$  a plurisubharmonic function on an open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ . Then (1). If  $v(\phi, x) < 1$ , then  $e^{-\phi}$  is integrable in a neighborhood of  $x$ . In particular,  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi, x} = \mathcal{O}_{U, x}$ ; (2). If  $v(\phi, x) \geq n + s$  for some positive integer, then the estimate  $e^{-\phi} \geq C|z-x|^{-2(n+s)}$  holds in a neighborhood of  $x$ . In particular, one obtains that  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi, x} \subset m_{U, x}^{s+1}$ , where  $m_{U, x}$  is the maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_{U, x}$ ; 3. The zero variety  $V(\mathcal{I}_\phi)$  of  $\mathcal{I}_\phi$  satisfies  $E_{2n}(\phi) \subset V(\mathcal{I}_\phi) \subset E_2(\phi)$ .*
- Nadel's vanishing theorem plus Skoda's lemma gives a new proof (without using blow-ups) of Kodaira's embedding theorem: *Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold. Assume there exists a positive line bundle  $L$  over  $X$ , then  $X$  can be embedded in projective space  $\mathbf{P}^N$ .*
- To prove the embedding theorem, it gets down to construct holomorphic sections. Consider the long exact sequence of cohomology associated to the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_\phi \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}_\phi \rightarrow 0$$

twisted by  $\mathcal{O}(K_x \otimes L)$ , and apply Nadel's vanishing theorem of the first  $H^1$  group, we'll have: *Let  $X$  be a weakly pseudo-convex Kahler manifold with Kahler form  $\omega$ , and let  $F$  be a line bundle with singular Hermitian metric  $h = e^{-\phi}$  such that  $\sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\phi \geq \epsilon\omega$  for some continuous function  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  be isolated points in the zero variety  $V(\mathcal{I}_\phi)$ . Then there is a surjective map*

$$H^0(X, K_X \otimes L) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{1 \leq j \leq N} \mathcal{O}(K_X \otimes L)_{x_j} \otimes (\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}_\phi)_{x_j}.$$

- Exercise: Assume that  $X$  is compact and  $L$  is a positive line bundle. Let  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$  be a finite set. Show that there are constants  $a, b \geq 0$  depending only on  $L$  and  $N$  such that  $H^0(X, L^{\otimes m})$  generates jets of any order  $s$  at all points  $x_j$  for  $m \geq as + b$ ,

*Hint.* Apply the above Corollary to  $L' = K_X^{-1} \otimes L^{\otimes m}$ , with a singular metric on  $L$  of the form  $h = h_0 e^{-\epsilon\psi}$ , where  $h_0$  is smooth of positive curvature,  $\epsilon > 0$  small and

$$\psi(z) = \sum \chi_j(z)(n + s - 1) \log \sum |w^{(j)}(z)|^2$$

with respect to coordinate systems  $(w_k^{(j)}(z))_{1 \leq k \leq n}$  centered at  $x_j$ . The cut-off functions  $\chi_j$  can be taken of a fixed radius (bounded away from 0) with respect to a finite collection of coordinate patches covering  $X$ . It is easy to see such  $h$  serves our purposes.

- Taking  $s = 2$  and  $m$  with  $m \geq 2a + b$  as in the Exercise, then the sections of  $H^0(X, L^{\otimes m})$  generates any pair of  $L_x \oplus L_y$  for distinct points  $x \neq y$  in  $X$ , as well as 1-jets of  $L$  at any point  $x \in X$ . The existence of the section of  $H^0(X, L^{\otimes m})$  which generates any pair of  $L_x \oplus L_y$  for distinct points  $x \neq y$  in  $X$  implies that  $F$  is injective. Now, we use the fact that there is a section  $s$  of  $H^0(X, L^{\otimes m})$  which generates 1-jets of  $L$  at any point  $x \in X$ , ie. the section  $s$  vanishes to the second order. Choosing sections  $s^1, \dots, s^n$  such that the function  $s^1/s, \dots, s^n/s$  have independent differential at  $x$ , then the holomorphic map

$$\left( \frac{s^1}{s}, \dots, \frac{s^n}{s} \right)$$

defined in a neighborhood of  $x$  is an immersion near  $x$ . This complete the proof of Kodaira's imbedding theorem.