

Lecture four Stability of algebraic manifolds
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A line bundle L over a compact complex manifold X is ample, if there is a Hermitian metric h on L such that
$$-\bar{\partial} \partial \bar{\partial} \log h > 0$$

A line bundle L over a compact complex manifold X is very ample, if $\dim H^0(X, L) > 1$ and if we choose a basis S_0, \dots, S_{d-1} of $H^0(X, L)$ such that the map
$$X \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{d-1}, \quad x \mapsto [S_0(x), \dots, S_{d-1}(x)]$$

is an embedding of X into $\mathbb{C}P^{d-1}$. If X is embedded into some $\mathbb{C}P^N$, then X is an algebraic manifold, and we say that L is very ample.

The following Theorem of Kodaira is classical:

Theorem: If L is an ample line bundle, then for some $k > 0$, L^k is very ample.

In order to prove the theorem, we can use the $\bar{\partial}$ -estimates. We have the following result from ~~Demailly~~ Demailly.

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Theorem Suppose (X, g) is a compact Kähler manifold of complex dimension n . L is a line bundle on X with Hermitian metric h . Let ψ be a function on X . Assume that

$$\langle \partial\bar{\partial}\psi + \text{Ric}(h) + \text{Ric}(g), v \wedge \bar{v} \rangle \geq C \|v\|_g^2$$

for any tangent vector v of type $(1,0)$ pointwisely. Then for any C^∞ L -valued $(0,1)$ -form η on X with $\bar{\partial}\eta = 0$

and

$$\int_X \|\eta\|^2 e^{-\psi} dV_g < +\infty$$

There exists C^∞ section u of L such that

$$\bar{\partial}u = \eta$$

and

$$\int_X \|u\|^2 e^{-\psi} dV_g \leq \frac{1}{C} \int_X \|\eta\|^2 e^{-\psi} dV_g$$

where dV_g is the volume form of g and $\|\cdot\|$ is induced by both h and g .

One remark we would like to make here is that we allow ψ to have singularities. The typical choice of ψ would be $\psi = C(\log r)$. If C is large enough, the function $e^{-\psi}$ is not integrable, which will force u to have zero's up to certain order. In many case, it will well shape the solutions.

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The Kodaira embedding theorem is implied by the following

Prop. Let $k \gg 0$. Then for any $x, y \in X$, and a neighborhood $\{U, \varphi_U\}$ of x , and any vector v , we can find a holomorphic section S such that

$$S(x) = 0, \quad S(y) \neq 0$$

$$\text{d}S \circ \varphi_U^{-1} |_{\varphi_U(x)} = v$$

Proof of the Kodaira Theorem from the above proposition.

~~First~~ Let

$$\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^N, \quad x \mapsto [S_0(x), \dots, S_{d-1}(x)]$$

be the embedding. Then if $x \neq y$

$$(S_0(x), \dots, S_{d-1}(x)) \neq k (S_0(y), \dots, S_{d-1}(y))$$

Let $S = \sum c_i S_i$. Then we have

$$0 = k S(y)$$

a contradiction. So φ is 1-1. On the other hand φ is an ~~em~~immersion because essentially we can prescribe all the first order derivatives.

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In order to prove the proposition, we use Demailly's $\bar{\partial}$ -estimate. For the sake of simplicity, we assume that $y \in U$ where U is a geodesic neighborhood of x . We notice that the size of U depends on the injectivity radius of the manifold X . So this proof is for a

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Single manifold, not for a family of manifolds

On the neighborhood U , assume that L is trivial. Let (z_1, \dots, z_n) be the local holomorphic coordinates. A section of L or L^k ($k \gg 0$) is a holomorphic function. At least on the neighborhood U , we can define a holomorphic function f such that

$$f(x) = 0, \quad df(x) = v, \quad f(y) \neq 0$$

Using ~~part~~ cut-off function, we can extend f to be a global C^∞ section of L^k (k to be determined). Let $\eta = \bar{\partial} f$. Let $\psi = C_1 \log(\sum |z_i|^2)$ where C_1 is a constant to be determined. We choose C_1 large enough such that

$$\int_B \int e^{-\psi} dV < +\infty$$

And we then choose k large enough such that

$$\langle 2\partial\bar{\partial}\psi + k\text{Ric}(h) + \text{Ric}(g), v \wedge \bar{v} \rangle$$

$$\geq C \|v\|_g^2$$

By $\bar{\partial}$ -estimate, we have u s.t. $\bar{\partial}u = \eta$ and

$$\int_X \|u\|^2 e^{-2\psi} dV_g \leq \frac{1}{C} \int \| \eta \|^2 e^{-2\psi} dV_g < +\infty$$

Since $\int e^{-\psi} = +\infty$, we have $u(x) = 0, du(x) = 0$. Thus ~~$\bar{\partial}(f-u) = 0$~~ but let $S = f - u$. Then S is holomorphic and S satisfies the required condition.

A naturally question about the Kodaira's embedding theorem is that how large ~~we~~ k we should choose in order that L^k is very ample. From the above proof, we know that k depends on the injectivity radius and possibly the bound of the curvature etc. How ever, we have the following important

Fujita Conjecture : $(n+2)L + kx$ is very ample if $L \rightarrow X$ is ample. $(n+1)L + kx$ is free if L is ample.

Note: $L \rightarrow X$ is called free, if $\forall x \exists S \in H^0(X, L)$ such that $S(x) \neq 0$.

Demailly used the method of the solution of degenerated Monge-Ampere equation and proved that $12n^2L + 2Kx$ is very ample. After his work, many people, Kollar, etc Ein-Lazarsfeld-Nakai ~~pro~~ improved his result. Recently, Siu proved the following result

Theorem $mL + kx$ is very ample if $m > 2(n+2 + n \binom{3n+1}{n})$

$mL + kx$ is free if $m = O(n^2)$.

Siu's method is basically algebraic-geometric, which is very beautiful. At the risk of making it more confusing, I try to explain his proof in a naive way (let me state one more time that Siu's method is very deep and beautiful).

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key step 1. Both Siu and Demailly used the Hilbert polynomial. Let F be a line bundle and \mathcal{F} be a coherent sheaf. Then

$$\dim \sum (-1)^r \dim H^r(X, (mL+F) \otimes \mathcal{F})$$

is a polynomial of degree at most n in the variable m .

Since it is a polynomial, for m fixed but large $\dim H^0(X, (mL+F) \otimes \mathcal{F})$ will be large. So we would have enough sections to play with.

key step 2. "Assume" that we already find some m depending only on n such that other than a fixed point $x_0 \in X$, ~~the line bundle~~ $\exists S \in H^0(X, L^m)$ such that $S(x) \neq 0 \forall x \neq x_0$. Then we can form a singular metric $\log(\sum |S_i(x)|^2)$ of L at x_0 . Using this and the $\bar{\partial}$ -estimate, we can find the required section.

Next we discuss the recent result of Donaldson.

Theorem Let (X, L) be a polarized Kähler manifold. Let $\text{Aut}(X, L)$ be discrete. If X admits a Kähler metric of constant scalar curvature, then X is Hilbert-Mumford stable.

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There are two main steps in Donaldson's proof.

Step 1. Donaldson proved that if $\text{Aut}(X, L)$ is discrete and if X admits a Kähler metric of constant scalar curvature, then X is balanced.

Step 2. By the theorem of Luo and S. Zhang, balanced manifolds are Hilbert - Mumford stable.

Definition of stability. We assume that $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^N$ is already embedded into certain complex projective space.

The Hilbert polynomial

$$P(m) = \dim H^0(X, L^m)$$

is a polynomial of m of degree n . Grothendieck proved the existence of a compact variety, called the Hilbert scheme with the fixed Hilbert polynomial, which parametrized all the subscheme of $\mathbb{C}P^N$ with the Hilbert polynomial.

The Hilbert scheme is called Hilb_h . On Hilb_h , there is a canonical ample line bundle $L \rightarrow \text{Hilb}_h$. Assume that $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^N$. Then $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}P^N)$ acting on Hilb_h and has a linearization on the line bundle L . We have the following ~~geometric criteria of~~ definition of stability:

A point $x \in H = \text{Hilb}_h$ is called stable with respect to $G = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}P^N)$, L and the given linearization,

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if X has finite stabilizer and for some $m \geq 1$, there exists a section $t \in \Gamma(\text{Hilb}_h, \mathcal{L}^m)^G$ such that

①. $H_t = H - V(t)$ is affine, where $V(t)$ is the zero locus of t .

②. $x \in H_t$ or in other terms, $t(x) \neq 0$,

③. G acting on H_t is a closed action.

Definition of "Balanced". Let (X, L) be a polarized Kähler manifold. Assume that $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^N$. If S_0, \dots, S_N be the standard section of the hyperplane bundle $\mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^N$ and if

$$\int_X \frac{\langle S_i, S_j \rangle}{\sum |S_i|^2} = \delta_{ij}$$

Then we say that X is balanced.

The concept "balanced" is equivalent to the following:

Proposition: If X is a Kähler manifold such that for $S_0, \dots, S_{N-1} \in H^0(X, L^m)$ an orthonormal basis of the Hermitian vector space with respect to the L^2 -inner product, the pointwise sum

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2 = \text{const.}$$

Then X is balanced.

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A sketch of the proof that constant scalar curvature implies

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2 = \text{const}$$

First, if m is large enough, then we have the Tian-Yau-Zelditch expansion

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2 \sim m^n \left(a_0 + \frac{a_1}{m} + \frac{a_2}{m^2} + \dots \right)$$

where $a_0 = 1/\text{vol}(M) = 1/c(x)^n$ and I proved that $a_1 = \text{scalar curvature}$. Thus by our assumption, $a_1 = \text{const}$. Thus if m is large,

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2$$

is almost constant to some accuracy. Donaldson proved

1. After a change of the metric, one can make

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2 = \text{const} + O\left(\frac{1}{m^\ell}\right)$$

for any ℓ ;

2. After a change of the frame of $\mathbb{C}P^N$, one can make

$$\sum \|S_i\|^2 = \text{constant}.$$

A final remark:

We can prove that, formally, change of metrics
 $\sum \|S_i\|^2 = \text{const}$,

But we can never prove the convergence. It was Donaldson's insight to make change of frame of $\mathbb{C}P^N$ and done the job, which involves quite a few analytic estimates.

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Thank you for attending my talks. I am very happy to discuss with you about the topics. My e-mail is zlu@math.uci.edu.