

# **Deformation theory for holomorphically symplectic manifolds and the proof of Voisin's theorem on deformation of Lagrangian subvarieties**

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## Complex manifolds

**DEFINITION:** Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold. An **almost complex structure** is an operator  $I : TM \rightarrow TM$  which satisfies  $I^2 = -\text{Id}_{TM}$ . **The eigenvalues of this operator are  $\pm\sqrt{-1}$ .** The corresponding eigenvalue decomposition is denoted  $TM = T^{0,1}M \oplus T^{1,0}(M)$ .

**DEFINITION:** An almost complex structure is **integrable** if  $\forall X, Y \in T^{1,0}M$ , one has  $[X, Y] \in T^{1,0}M$ . In this case  $I$  is called **a complex structure operator**. A manifold with an integrable almost complex structure is called **a complex manifold**.

**THEOREM: (Newlander-Nirenberg)**

**This definition is equivalent to the standard one.**

**CLAIM: (the Hodge decomposition determines the complex structure)**

Let  $M$  be a smooth  $2n$ -dimensional manifold. **Then there is a bijective correspondence between the set of almost complex structures, and the set of sub-bundles  $T^{0,1}M \subset TM \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$  satisfying  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} T^{0,1}M = n$  and  $T^{0,1}M \cap TM = 0$  (the last condition means that there are no real vectors in  $T^{1,0}M$ , that is, that  $T^{0,1}M \cap T^{1,0}M = 0$ ).**

**Proof:** Set  $I|_{T^{1,0}M} = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $I|_{T^{0,1}M} = -\sqrt{-1}$ . ■

## Hodge theory

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I)$  be a complex manifold,  $\{U_i\}$  its covering, and  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  holomorphic coordinate system on each covering patch. **The bundle  $\Lambda^{p,q}(M, I)$  of  $(p, q)$ -forms on  $(M, I)$**  is generated locally on each coordinate patch by monomials  $dz_{i_1} \wedge dz_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge dz_{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}_{i_{p+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge d\bar{z}_{i_{p+q}}$ . **The Hodge decomposition** is a decomposition of vector bundles:

$$\Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^d(M) = \bigoplus_{p+q=d} \Lambda^{p,q}(M).$$

**DEFINITION:** A manifold is called **Kähler** if it is equipped with a closed real  $(1,1)$ -form  $\omega$  such that  $\omega(Ix, x) > 0$  for any non-zero vector  $x$ .

**THEOREM: (“Hodge decomposition on cohomology”)** Let  $M$  be a compact Kähler manifold. **Then any cohomology class can be represented as a sum of closed  $(p, q)$ -forms.**

## Holomorphically symplectic manifolds

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I)$  be a complex manifold, and  $\Omega \in \Lambda^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  a differential form. We say that  $\Omega$  is **non-degenerate** if  $\ker \Omega \cap T_{\mathbb{R}}M = 0$ . We say that it is **holomorphically symplectic** if it is non-degenerate,  $d\Omega = 0$ , and  $\Omega(IX, Y) = \sqrt{-1} \Omega(X, Y)$ .

**REMARK:** The equation  $\Omega(IX, Y) = \sqrt{-1} \Omega(X, Y)$  means that  $\Omega$  is **complex linear with respect to the complex structure on  $T_{\mathbb{R}}M$  induced by  $I$** .

**REMARK:** Consider the Hodge decomposition  $T_{\mathbb{C}}M = T^{1,0}M \oplus T^{0,1}M$  (decomposition according to eigenvalues of  $I$ ). Since  $\Omega(IX, Y) = \sqrt{-1} \Omega(X, Y)$  and  $I(Z) = -\sqrt{-1} Z$  for any  $Z \in T^{0,1}(M)$ , we have  $\ker(\Omega) \supset T^{0,1}(M)$ . Since  $\ker \Omega \cap T_{\mathbb{R}}M = 0$ , real dimension of its kernel is at most  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} M$ , giving  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \ker \Omega = \dim M$ . **Therefore,  $\ker(\Omega) = T^{0,1}M$ .**

**COROLLARY:** Let  $\Omega$  be a holomorphically symplectic form on a complex manifold  $(M, I)$ . **Then  $I$  is determined by  $\Omega$  uniquely.**

## C-symplectic structures

**DEFINITION: (Bogomolov, Deev, V.)** Let  $M$  be a smooth  $4n$ -dimensional manifold. A complex-valued form  $\Omega$  on  $M$  is called **almost C-symplectic** if  $\Omega^{n+1} = 0$  and  $\Omega^n \wedge \overline{\Omega}^n$  is a non-degenerate volume form. It is called **C-symplectic** when it is also closed.

**THEOREM:** Let  $\Omega \in \Lambda^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  be a C-symplectic form, and  $T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M)$  be equal to  $\ker \Omega$ , where  $\ker \Omega := \{v \in TM \otimes \mathbb{C} \mid \Omega \lrcorner v = 0\}$ . Then  $T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M) \oplus \overline{T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M)} = TM \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ , hence **the sub-bundle  $T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M)$  defines an almost complex structure  $I_{\Omega}$  on  $M$** . If, in addition,  $\Omega$  is closed,  $I_{\Omega}$  is integrable, and  $\Omega$  is holomorphically symplectic on  $(M, I_{\Omega})$ .

**Proof:** Rank of  $\Omega$  is  $2n$  because  $\Omega^{n+1} = 0$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \Omega$  is non-degenerate. Then  $\ker \Omega \oplus \overline{\ker \Omega} = T_{\mathbb{C}}M$ . The relation  $[T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M), T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M)] \subset T_{\Omega}^{0,1}(M)$  follows from Cartan's formula

$$d\Omega(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_3} (-1)^{\tilde{\sigma}} \operatorname{Lie}_{X_{\sigma_1}} \Omega(X_{\sigma_2}, X_{\sigma_3}) + (-1)^{\tilde{\sigma}} \Omega([X_{\sigma_1}, X_{\sigma_2}], X_{\sigma_3})$$

which gives, for all  $X, Y \in T^{0,1}M$ , and any  $Z \in TM$ ,

$$d\Omega(X, Y, Z) = \Omega([X, Y], Z),$$

implying that  $[X, Y] \in T^{0,1}M$ . ■

## Local Torelli theorem

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold, and  $\mathbb{C}\text{Symp}$  the space of all  $\mathbb{C}$ -symplectic forms. The quotient  $\mathbb{C}\text{Teich} := \frac{\mathbb{C}\text{Symp}}{\text{Diff}_0}$  is called **the holomorphically symplectic Teichmüller space**, and the map  $\mathbb{C}\text{Teich} \rightarrow H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  taking  $(M, I, \Omega)$  to the cohomology class  $[\Omega] \in H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  is called **the holomorphically symplectic period map**.

**DEFINITION:** Let  $M$  be a compact complex manifold. We say that  $M$  **satisfies  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -lemma in term  $\Lambda^{p,q}(M)$**  if any  $\partial$ -closed,  $\bar{\partial}$ -exact  $(p, q)$ -form belongs to the image of  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ .

**THEOREM: (“Local Torelli theorem”; Kurnosov, V.)**

Let  $(M, \Omega)$  be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -symplectic manifold. Assume that  $H^{0,1}(M) = 0$ ,  $H^{2,0}(M) = \mathbb{C}$  and  $M$  satisfies  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -lemma in  $\Lambda^{1,2}(M)$  and has Hodge decomposition in  $H^2(M)$ . Let  $W := \frac{H^2(M, \mathbb{C})}{\langle \Omega \rangle}$ . Then the period map composed with the natural projection  $H^2(M, \mathbb{C}) \mapsto W$  **defines a local diffeomorphism from  $\mathbb{C}\text{Teich}$  to a neighbourhood of 0 in  $W$ .**

**REMARK:** Today I will not give the proof of this theorem, but I will explain an explicit construction of a local deformation which is mapped to a neighbourhood of 0 in  $W$  diffeomorphically.

## Schouten brackets

**DEFINITION:** Let  $M$  be a complex manifold, and  $\Lambda^{0,p}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M$  the sheaf of  $T^{1,0}M$ -valued  $(0,p)$ -forms. Consider the commutator bracket  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  on  $T^{1,0}M$ , and let  $\bar{\mathcal{O}}_M$  denote the sheaf of antiholomorphic functions. Since  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  is  $\bar{\mathcal{O}}_M$ -linear, it is naturally extended to  $\Lambda^{0,p}(M) \otimes_{C^\infty M} T^{1,0}M = \bar{\Omega}^p \bar{M} \otimes_{\bar{\mathcal{O}}_M} T^{1,0}M$ , giving a bracket

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \Lambda^{0,p}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M \times \Lambda^{0,q}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M \longrightarrow \Lambda^{0,p+q}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M.$$

This bracket is called **Schouten bracket**.

**REMARK:** Since  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  is  $\bar{\mathcal{O}}_M$ -linear, the Schouten bracket satisfies the Leibnitz identity:

$$\bar{\partial}([\alpha, \beta]) = [\bar{\partial}\alpha, \beta] + [\alpha, \bar{\partial}\beta].$$

**This allows one to extend the Schouten bracket to the  $\bar{\partial}$ -cohomology of the complex  $(\Lambda^{0,*}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M, \bar{\partial})$ , which coincide with the cohomology of the sheaf of holomorphic vector fields:  $[\cdot, \cdot] : H^p(TM) \times H^q(TM) \longrightarrow H^{p+q}(TM)$ .**

## Maurer-Cartan equation and deformations

**CLAIM:** Let  $(M, I)$  be an almost complex manifold, and  $B$  an abstract vector bundle over  $\mathbb{C}$  isomorphic to  $\Lambda^{0,1}(M)$ . Consider a differential operator  $\bar{\partial} : C^\infty M \rightarrow B = \Lambda^{0,1}(M)$  satisfying the Leibnitz rule. Its symbol is a linear map  $u : \Lambda^1(M, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow B$ . Then  $B = \frac{\Lambda^1(M, \mathbb{C})}{\ker u} = \Lambda^{0,1}(M)$ . Extend  $\bar{\partial} : C^\infty M \rightarrow B$  to the corresponding exterior algebra using the Leibnitz rule:

$$C^\infty M \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} B \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \Lambda^2 B \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \Lambda^3 B \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \dots$$

**Then integrability of  $I$  is equivalent to  $\bar{\partial}^2 = 0$ .**

**Proof:** This is essentially the Newlander-Nirenberg theorem. ■

**REMARK:** Almost complex deformations of  $I$  are given by the sections  $\gamma \in T^{1,0}M \otimes \Lambda^{0,1}(M)$ , with the integrability relation  $(\bar{\partial} + \gamma)^2 = 0$  rewritten as **the Maurer-Cartan equation**  $\bar{\partial}(\gamma) = -\{\gamma, \gamma\}$ . Here  $\bar{\partial}(\gamma)$  is identified with the anticommutator  $\{\bar{\partial}, \gamma\}$ , and  $\{\gamma, \gamma\}$  is anticommutator of  $\gamma$  with itself, where  $\gamma$  is considered as a  $\Lambda^{0,1}(M)$ -valued differential operator. **This identifies  $\{\gamma, \gamma\}$  with the Schouten bracket.**

**REMARK:** We shall write  $[\gamma, \gamma]$  instead of  $\{\gamma, \gamma\}$ , because this usage is more common.

## Solving the Maurer-Cartan equation recursively

**DEFINITION:** The Kuranishi deformation space, can be defined as the space of solutions of Maurer-Cartan equation  $\bar{\partial}(\gamma) = -[\gamma, \gamma]$  modulo the diffeomorphism action.

**DEFINITION:** Write  $\gamma$  as power series,  $\gamma = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} t^{i+1} \gamma_i$ . Then the Maurer-Cartan becomes

$$\bar{\partial}\gamma_0 = 0, \quad \bar{\partial}\gamma_p = - \sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j]. \quad (**)$$

We say that deformations of complex structures are **unobstructed** if the solutions  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n, \dots$  of  $(**)$  can be found for  $\gamma_0$  in any given cohomology class  $[\gamma_0] \in H^1(M, TM)$ .

**REMARK 1:** Notice that **the sum  $\sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j]$  is always  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed**. Indeed, the Schouten bracket commutes with  $\bar{\partial}$ , hence

$$\bar{\partial} \sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j] = - \sum_{i+j+k=p-1} [\gamma_i, [\gamma_j, \gamma_k]] + [[\gamma_i, \gamma_j], \gamma_k]. \quad (***)$$

vanishes as a sum of triple supercommutators. **Obstructions to deformations** are given by cohomology classes of the sums  $\sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j]$ , which are defined inductively. These classes are called **Massey powers** of  $\gamma_0$ .

## Tian-Todorov lemma

**DEFINITION:** Assume that  $M$  is a complex  $n$ -manifold with trivial canonical bundle  $K_M$ , and  $\Phi$  a non-degenerate section of  $K_M$ . We call a pair  $(M, \Phi)$  a **Calabi-Yau manifold**. Substitution of a vector field into  $\Phi$  gives an isomorphism  $TM \cong \Omega^{n-1}(M)$ . Similarly, one obtains an isomorphism

$$\Lambda^{0,q}M \otimes \Lambda^p TM \longrightarrow \Lambda^{0,q}M \otimes \Lambda^{n-p,0}M = \Lambda^{n-q,p}M. \quad (*)$$

**Yukawa product**  $\bullet$  :  $\Lambda^{p,q}M \otimes \Lambda^{p_1,q_1}M \longrightarrow \Lambda^{p+p_1-n,q+q_1}M$  is obtained from the usual product

$$\Lambda^{0,q}M \otimes \Lambda^p TM \times \Lambda^{0,q_1}M \otimes \Lambda^{p_1} TM \longrightarrow \Lambda^{0,q+q_1}M \otimes \Lambda^{p+p_1} TM$$

using the isomorphism (\*).

**TIAN-TODOROV LEMMA:** Let  $(M, \Phi)$  be a Calabi-Yau manifold, and

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \Lambda^{0,p}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M \times \Lambda^{0,q}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M \longrightarrow \Lambda^{0,p+q}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M.$$

its Schouten bracket. Using the isomorphism (\*), we can interpret Schouten bracket as a map

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \Lambda^{n-1,p}(M) \times \Lambda^{n-1,q}(M) \longrightarrow \Lambda^{n-1,p+q}(M).$$

**Then, for any  $\alpha \in \Lambda^{n-1,p}(M)$ ,  $\beta \in \Lambda^{n-1,p_1}(M)$ , one has**

$$[\alpha, \beta] = \partial(\alpha \bullet \beta) - (\partial\alpha) \bullet \beta - (-1)^{n-1+p}\alpha \bullet (\partial\beta),$$

where  $\bullet$  denotes the Yukawa product.

**$dd^c$ -lemma**

**DEFINITION:** Let  $M$  be a complex manifold, and  $I : TM \rightarrow TM$  its complex structure operator. **The twisted differential** of  $M$  is  $IdI^{-1} : \Lambda^*(M) \rightarrow \Lambda^{*+1}(M)$ , where  $I$  acts on 1-forms as an operator dual to  $I : TM \rightarrow TM$ , and on the rest of differential forms multiplicatively.

**REMARK:** Consider the Hodge decomposition of the de Rham differential,  $d = \partial + \bar{\partial}$ , where  $\partial : \Lambda^{p,q}(M, I) \rightarrow \Lambda^{p+1,q}(M, I)$  and  $\bar{\partial} : \Lambda^{p,q}(M, I) \rightarrow \Lambda^{p+1,q}(M, I)$ . **Then  $d = \operatorname{Re} \partial$  and  $d^c = \operatorname{Im} \partial$ .** Also,  $dd^c = 2\sqrt{-1} \partial\bar{\partial}$ .

**THEOREM:** ( **$dd^c$ -lemma**) Let  $\eta$  be a form on a compact Kähler manifold, satisfying one of the following conditions.

(1).  $\eta$  is an exact  $(p, q)$ -form. (2).  $\eta$  is  $d$ -exact,  $d^c$ -closed.

**Then  $\eta$  is  $dd^c$ -exact**, that is,  $\eta \in \operatorname{im} dd^c$ . Equivalently, **if  $\eta$  is  $\partial$ -exact and  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed, it is  $dd^c$ -exact.**

**REMARK:** This statement is weaker than the Kähler condition, but it immediately implies almost every cohomological property of Kähler manifolds, except the Lefschetz  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -action. In particular,  **$dd^c$ -lemma is sufficient to prove the Bogomolov-Tian-Todorov theorem**, claiming that the deformations of Calabi-Yau manifolds are unobstructed.

## Bogomolov-Tian-Todorov theorem

**THEOREM:** Let  $M$  be a compact complex  $n$ -manifold with trivial canonical bundle which satisfies  $dd^c$ -lemma. **Then its deformations are unobstructed.**

**Proof. Step 1:** Let's start with a cohomology class  $[\gamma_0] \in H^1(TM) = H^1(\Omega^{n-1}M)$ . To prove that the deformations are unobstructed, we need to solve the equation system

$$\bar{\partial}\gamma_0 = 0, \quad \bar{\partial}\gamma_p = - \sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j]. \quad (**)$$

recursively, starting from a representative  $\gamma_0$  of  $[\gamma_0]$ . Identifying  $\Lambda^{0,1}(T^{1,0}M)$  with  $\Lambda^{0,1}(\Lambda^{n-1,0}M) = \Lambda^{n-1,1}(M)$ , **we choose a representative  $\gamma_0 \in \Lambda^{n-1,1}(M)$  of  $[\gamma_0]$  which is  $\partial$  and  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed**; this is possible to do using  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -lemma (in Kähler situation, take a harmonic representative).

**Step 2:** Using induction, we may assume that  $(**)$  is solved up to  $\gamma_{n-1}$ , and, moreover, the solutions satisfy  $\partial\gamma_i = 0$ . By Tian-Todorov lemma,

$$\alpha := [\gamma_i, \gamma_j] = \partial(\gamma_i \bullet \gamma_j) - (\partial\gamma_i) \bullet \gamma_j - (-1)^{n-1+p} \gamma_i \bullet (\partial\gamma_j) = \partial(\gamma_i \bullet \gamma_j),$$

hence it is  $\partial$ -exact; as shown in Remark 1 above, it is also  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed. By  $dd^c$ -lemma,  $\alpha$  is  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -exact. This implies that  $-\sum_{i+j=n-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j] = \bar{\partial}\partial\beta$ . **Taking  $\gamma_n := \partial\beta$ , we obtain a solution of  $(**)$  which is also  $\partial$ -closed, hence satisfy the induction assumptions. ■**

## Tian-Todorov lemma for holomorphically symplectic manifolds

Let now  $\Omega$  be a holomorphically symplectic form on a complex manifold  $M$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M = 2n$ . Then  $TM \cong \Omega^1 M$ , hence the Schouten bracket is defined as

$$\Lambda^{1,p}(M) \times \Lambda^{1,q}(M) \longrightarrow \Lambda^{1,p+q}(M).$$

**LEMMA:** Let  $M$  be a holomorphic symplectic manifold. Consider the operators  $L_{\Omega}(\alpha) := \Omega \wedge \alpha$ ,  $H_{\Omega}$  acting as multiplication by  $n - p$  on  $\Lambda^{p,q}(M)$ , and  $\Lambda_{\Omega} := \star \Lambda \star$ . **Then  $L_{\Omega}, H_{\Omega}, \Lambda_{\Omega}$  satisfy the  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  relations, similar to the Lefschetz triple:  $[H_{\Omega}, L_{\Omega}] = 2L_{\Omega}$ ,  $[H_{\Omega}, \Lambda_{\Omega}] = -2\Lambda_{\Omega}$ ,  $[L_{\Omega}, \Lambda_{\Omega}] = H_{\Omega}$ . ■**

### LEMMA: (Tian-Todorov for holomorphically symplectic manifolds)

Let  $(M, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold, and

$$[\cdot, \cdot]_{\Omega} : \Lambda^{1,p}(M) \times \Lambda^{1,q}(M) \longrightarrow \Lambda^{1,p+q}(M).$$

the Schouten bracket. **Then for any  $a, b \in \Lambda^{1,*}(M)$ , one has**

$$[a, b] = \delta(a \wedge b) - (\delta a) \wedge b - (-1)^{\tilde{a}} a \wedge \delta(b),$$

**where  $\tilde{a}$  is parity of  $a$ , and  $\delta := [\Lambda_{\Omega}, \partial]$ .**

**Proof:** Same as for the usual Tian-Todorov. ■

## Maurer-Cartan for Hamiltonian vector fields

**REMARK:** A solution of the Maurer-Cartan equation  $(\bar{\partial} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} t^{i+1} \gamma_i)^2 = 0$  gives a holomorphically symplectic deformation whenever all  $\gamma_i$  belong to  $\Lambda^{0,1}(M) \otimes \mathcal{H}am_M$ . Here  $t$  is a formal parameter, or  $t$  is chosen in such a way that this sum converges.

Using  $\Omega$  to identify vector fields and 1-forms, the sheaf of Hamiltonian vector fields can be embedded to  $\Lambda^{1,0}(M)$  as a sheaf of  $\partial$ -closed  $(1,0)$ -forms.

Similarly, if we use  $\Omega$  to consider  $\gamma_i$  as sections of  $\Lambda^{0,1}(M) \otimes T^{1,0}M = \Lambda^{1,1}(M)$ , the condition  $\gamma_i \in \Lambda^{0,1}(M) \otimes \mathcal{H}am_M$  is interpreted as  $\partial\gamma_i = 0$ .

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, I, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold. We say that the holomorphic symplectic deformations of  $(M, I, \Omega)$  are unobstructed if for any  $\bar{\partial}$ - and  $\partial$ -closed  $\gamma_0 \in \Lambda^{1,1}(M)$  the Maurer-Cartan equation

$$\bar{\partial}\gamma_p = - \sum_{i+j=p-1} [\gamma_i, \gamma_j], \quad p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

has a solution  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots)$ , with  $\gamma_i \in \Lambda^{1,1}(M)$   $\partial$ -closed.

## Almost C-symplectic forms

The proof of local Torelli for K3 involves solving an order 2 equation  $\Omega \wedge \rho^{0,2} = -\rho^{1,1} \wedge \rho^{1,1}$ , because the condition  $\Omega^2 = 0$  is quadratic. To work in any dimension **we write a degree 2 polynomial equation which describes almost C-symplectic structures in the space of all complex-valued 2-forms.**

**DEFINITION:** Let  $V$  be a real vector space of dimension  $4n$ , and  $\Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^2 V := \Lambda^2 V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ . A 2-form  $\Omega \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^2 V$  is **C-symplectic** if  $\Omega^n \wedge \bar{\Omega}^n \neq 0$  and  $\Omega^{n+1} = 0$ .

**Claim 1:** Fix a complex structure  $I \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}} V$ ,  $I^2 = -\text{Id}$  on  $V$ , and let  $\Theta \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^2 V$  be a C-symplectic form. Denote the  $(2,0)$ -component of  $\Theta$  by  $\Omega$ , let  $\eta^{1,1}$  be its  $(1,1)$ -component and  $\eta^{0,2}$  be its  $(0,2)$ -component. Assume that  $\Omega$  is C-symplectic, that is, has maximal rank. **Then**

$$\eta^{1,1} \wedge \eta^{1,1} \wedge \Omega^{n-1} = -\eta^{0,2} \wedge \Omega^n. \quad (*)$$

Moreover, **for any  $(1,1)$ -form  $\eta^{1,1}$ , there exists a unique  $(0,2)$ -form  $\eta^{0,2}$  such that  $(*)$  holds.**

**Proof. Step 1:** The  $(2n,2)$ -component of  $\Theta^{n+1}$  is equal to  $\eta^{1,1} \wedge \eta^{1,1} \wedge \Omega^{n-2} + \eta^{0,2} \wedge \Omega^n$ ; now,  $\Theta^{n+1} = 0$  implies  $(*)$  immediately.

**Step 2:** The map  $\Lambda^{0,2} V \xrightarrow{\wedge \Omega^n} \Lambda^{2n,2} V$  is clearly an isomorphism. Existence and uniqueness of  $\eta^{0,2}$  solving  $(*)$  follows from this observation. ■

## The operator $\Lambda_\Omega$

We obtained a quadratic equation (\*) from an order  $n+1$ -equation  $\Theta^{n+1} = 0$ . **We are going to show that the converse is also true:** (\*) implies  $\Theta^{n+1} = 0$ , at least in a neighbourhood of a C-symplectic structure  $\Omega \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^{2,0}V$ .

**DEFINITION:** Fix a complex structure  $I \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}}V, I^2 = -\text{Id}$  on  $V$ , and let  $\Omega \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^{2,0}V$  be a C-symplectic form. Consider a (2,2)-form  $\Theta \in \Lambda^{2,2}V$  and let  $u \in \Lambda^{0,2}V$  be a (0,2)-form which satisfies  $u \wedge \Omega^n = \Theta \wedge \Omega^{n-1}$ . By Step 2 of Claim 1, such  $u$  exists for any (2,2)-form  $\Theta$ . **The map which takes  $\Theta$  to  $u$  is denoted  $\Theta \mapsto \Lambda_\Omega \Theta$ .**

**REMARK:** Using this notation, **the equation (\*) can be written as  $\eta^{0,2} = -\Lambda_\Omega(\eta^{1,1} \wedge \eta^{1,1})$ .**

**THEOREM A:** Let  $V$  be a real vector space of dimension  $4n$ , and  $I \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}}V, I^2 = -\text{Id}$  a complex structure. Denote by  $Z$  the space of C-symplectic structures  $\Theta \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^2V$ , such that  $\Theta^{2,0}$  is non-degenerate, and let  $Z_1$  be the space of all triples  $\Theta = \Omega + \eta^{1,1} + \eta^{0,2}$ , where  $\Omega$  is a non-degenerate (2,0)-form, and  $\eta^{0,2} = -\Lambda_\Omega(\eta^{1,1} \wedge \eta^{1,1})$ . **Then  $Z = Z_1$  in a sufficiently small neighbourhood of a given non-degenerate (2,0)-form  $\Theta_0$ .**

**This theorem will not be proven today.**

## The local Torelli theorem for C-symplectic manifolds

**COROLLARY:** Let  $(M, I, \Omega)$  be a compact holomorphically symplectic manifold which satisfies  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -lemma in term  $\Lambda^{2,1}(M)$ , and  $\eta_0$  a closed  $(1, 1)$ -form. Consider a family of solutions of the Maurer-Catran equation

$$\partial\eta_n = 0, \quad \bar{\partial}\eta_n = \sum_{i+j=n-1} \partial(\Lambda_{\Omega}(\eta_i \wedge \eta_j)). \quad (***)$$

which exists by holomorphic symplectic Bogomolov-Tian-Todorov lemma, and let  $\eta := \sum t^{i+1}\eta_i$ . **Then  $\Omega_{\eta} := \Omega + \eta - \Lambda_{\Omega}(\eta \wedge \eta)$  gives a formal deformation of C-symplectic structures, which can be chosen convergent for  $t$  sufficiently small and an appropriate choice of solutions  $\eta_i$ .**

**Proof:** By Theorem A,  $\Omega_{\eta}$  is an almost C-symplectic structure. It is closed, which follows from (\*\*\*) immediately. Convergence of  $\sum t^{i+1}\eta_i$  follows from a routine calculation because the operator  $\bar{\partial}^{-1} = \bar{\partial}^* \Delta_{\bar{\partial}}^{-1}$  which is used in solving (\*\*\*) is compact, and the Green operator  $\Delta_{\bar{\partial}}^{-1}$  is a compact Hermitian operator. ■

## Holomorphic Lagrangian subvarieties

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, \Omega)$  be a holomorphically symplectic manifold, and  $X \subset (M, \Omega)$  a complex subvariety. It is called **holomorphic Lagrangian** if  $\Omega$  restricted to the set of smooth points of  $X$  vanishes.

### PROPOSITION: (Hitchin's lemma)

Let  $X \subset M$  be a real submanifold (or closed real analytic subvariety) such that  $\Omega|_X = 0$  and  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} X = \frac{1}{2} \dim_{\mathbb{R}} M$ . **Then  $X$  is a complex subvariety.**

**Proof. Step 1:** This statement would follow if we prove the following linear-algebraic statement. Let  $(V, \Omega)$  be a real vector space equipped with a  $C$ -symplectic form,  $I : V \rightarrow V$  the induced complex structure operator, and  $W \subset V$  a real subspace such that  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} W = \frac{1}{2} \dim_{\mathbb{R}} V$  and  $\Omega|_W = 0$ . **Then  $I(W) = W$ , that is,  $W$  is a complex subspace of  $V$ .**

**Proof:** Let  $u, w \in W$ . Since  $\Omega$  is  $I$ -linear, one has  $0 = \sqrt{-1}\Omega(u, w) = \Omega(Iu, w)$ , hence the space  $W_u := \langle W + Iu \rangle$  generated by  $W$  and  $Iu$  is Lagrangian with respect to  $\operatorname{Re} \Omega$  and  $\operatorname{Im} \Omega$ . Since the forms  $\operatorname{Re} \Omega$  and  $\operatorname{Im} \Omega$  are non-degenerate, dimension of  $W_u$  cannot be bigger than  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} W = \frac{1}{2} \dim_{\mathbb{R}} V$ , hence  $W_u = W$ .

■

## “Good” subvarieties

**DEFINITION:** Consider a closed complex subvariety  $X \subset M$ , and let  $\tilde{M}$  a blow-up of  $M$  such that the proper preimage of  $X$  is a subvariety  $\tilde{X} \subset \tilde{M}$  which has simple normal crossings. The **essential skeleton** of  $X$  is a CW-complex associated with  $\tilde{X}$  as follows: its vertices are irreducible components of  $\tilde{X}$ , and its  $k$ -simplexes with vertices associated to the components  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  are irreducible components of the intersection  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k X_k$ . By a theorem of D. A. Stepanov, **the homotopy type of the essential skeleton is independent from the choice of resolution.**

**DEFINITION:** We call a function  $f$  on  $X$  **smooth** if its pullback to  $\tilde{X}$  is smooth.

**DEFINITION:** A closed, compact subvariety  $X \subset M$  is called **good** if the resolution of  $X$  is Kähler, any smooth function on  $X$  can be extended to a smooth function in a neighbourhood of  $X$  in  $M$ , and the essential skeleton  $S$  of  $X$  satisfies  $H^1(S) = 0$ .

$dd^c$ -lemma and essential skeleton

**Proposition 4:** Let  $\eta$  be a  $(1,1)$ -form on  $M$  which is exact on  $X \subset M$ , which is a “good” complex subvariety. **Then  $\eta = dd^c f$  in a neighbourhood of  $X$ .**

**Proof. Step 1:** Let  $\tilde{X}_0$  be the resolution of  $X$ , obtained from  $\tilde{X}$  by taking apart the branches. **Then the pullback  $\eta_0$  of  $\eta$  to  $\tilde{X}_0$  is  $dd^c$ -exact**, because  $\tilde{X}_0$  is smooth and Kähler, hence  $\eta_0 = dd^c f$ .

**Step 2:** Let  $\pi : \tilde{X}_0 \rightarrow X$  be the projection, and  $x \in X$  any point. Since  $\ker dd^c$  is holomorphic plus antiholomorphic functions, on a compact complex variety  $\ker dd^c$  is constant functions. On each irreducible component of  $\pi^{-1}(x)$ , the function  $f$  satisfies  $dd^c f = 0$ , hence it is constant. Therefore, the function  $f$  such that  $\eta_0 = dd^c f$  is uniquely, up to a constant, defined on each connected component  $X_i$  of  $\tilde{X}_0$ . To show that  $f$  is a pullback of a function on  $\tilde{X}$ , and hence on  $X$ , **we need to chose these constants in such a way that  $f|_{X_i}$  agrees on all intersections  $X_i \cap X_j$ .**

**Step 3:** Choose a function  $f_i$  which satisfies  $dd^c f_i = \eta_0|_{X_i}$  on each of these components. The difference  $f_i|_{X_i \cap X_j} - f_j|_{X_i \cap X_j}$  is a constant function on each intersection  $X_i \cap X_j$  which sums up to zero on triple intersections, hence it defines a 1-cocycle on  $S$ . **To choose  $f_i$  which agree on intersections, we need to show that this cocycle is exact;** this can be ensured by assuming that  $H^1(S) = 0$ , where  $S$  is the essential skeleton. ■

## Deformations of Lagrangian subvarieties

### THEOREM: (joint with N. Kurnosov)

Let  $(M, \Omega)$  be a compact  $\mathbb{C}$ -symplectic manifold satisfying the assumptions of local Torelli theorem,  $X \subset (M, \Omega)$  a good closed holomorphic Lagrangian subvariety. Consider the space  $\text{CTeich}_X \subset \text{CTeich}$  consisting of all  $\Omega' \in \text{CTeich}$  such that the restriction of  $\Omega'$  to  $X$  is exact. Assume that  $X$  is “good” in the sense of the above definition. Then locally around  $\Omega \in \text{CTeich}_X$  **there exist a choice of holomorphic symplectic representatives  $\Omega_t$ , smoothly depending on  $t \in \text{CTeich}_X$ , such that  $\Omega_t|_X = 0$  for all  $t$ .**

**Proof:** Next slide.

**REMARK:** In other word, for a sufficiently small deformation  $\Omega_t \in \text{CTeich}_X$  of the  $\mathbb{C}$ -symplectic structure  $\Omega$  in  $\text{CTeich}_X$ , **the variety  $X$  can be deformed to a Lagrangian subvariety in  $(M, \Omega_t)$ .**

**REMARK:** This result was proven by Voisin for smooth holomorphic Lagrangian  $X$  in projective  $M$ , and by C. Lehn when  $X$  are SNC holomorphic Lagrangian subvarieties in projective  $M$ . **We needed this result for Bogomolov-Guan manifolds**, and found **an improved proof of Voisin’s theorem which also works for singular  $X$  and non-Kähler  $M$ .**

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**Proof. Step 1:** After rescaling, we may assume that  $[\Omega_t]^{2,0} = \Omega$ . We write  $\Omega_t$  by solving (\*) recursively, starting with a closed  $(1, 1)$ -form  $\gamma_0$  representing  $[\Omega_t]^{1,1}$ :

$$\bar{\partial}\gamma_n = \partial\Lambda_\Omega \left( \sum_{i+j=n-1} \gamma_i \wedge \gamma_j \right). \quad (**)$$

Adding  $dd^c f_n$  to  $\gamma_n$  won't affect (\*\*). I will show that **we can always choose  $\gamma_n$  such that  $\gamma_n|_X = 0$  if  $\gamma_i|_X = 0$  for all  $i < n$ .**

## Deformations of Lagrangian subvarieties (2)

**Step 2:** We use induction in  $n$ . Since  $X$  is “good”, it satisfies the  $dd^c$ -lemma. By Proposition 4, we can replace  $\gamma_0$  by  $\gamma_0 - dd^c f$  such that  $dd^c f|_X = \gamma_0|_X$ . Smoothly extending  $f$  to a neighbourhood of  $X$  and replacing  $\gamma_0$  by  $\gamma_0 - dd^c f$ , we obtain another closed representative of  $[\gamma_0]$  which satisfies  $\gamma_0|_X = 0$ . **This is the basis of induction.**

**Step 3:** We need the following linear-algebraic lemma. Let  $X \subset (M, \Omega)$  be a holomorphic Lagrangian subvariety, and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \Lambda^{1,1}(M)$   $(1,1)$ -forms which satisfy  $\alpha_1|_X = \alpha_2|_X = 0$ . **Then  $\Lambda_\Omega(\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2)|_X = 0$ .** This is a local statement; using Darboux theorem, we introduce the coordinates such that  $\Omega = \sum_i dp_i \wedge dq_i$  and all  $q_i$  are constant on  $X$ . Then  $\alpha_k = \sum_{i,j} a_{ijk} dp_i \wedge d\bar{q}_j + \sum_{i,j} b_{ijk} dq_i \wedge d\bar{p}_j + \sum_{i,j} c_{ijk} dq_i \wedge d\bar{q}_j$ , which gives

$$\Lambda_\Omega(\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2) = - \sum_{i,j,j'} a_{ijk} b_{ij'k} d\bar{q}_j \wedge d\bar{p}_{j'} - \sum_{i,j,j'} a_{ijk} c_{ij'k} d\bar{q}_j \wedge d\bar{q}_{j'}.$$

**This form vanishes on  $X$  because  $\bar{q}_j$  is constant on  $X$ .**

**Step 4:** Suppose that  $\gamma_i|_X = 0$  for all  $i < n$ . Then  $u := \Lambda_\Omega \left( \sum_{i+j=n-1} \gamma_i \wedge \gamma_j \right) |_X = 0$  (Step 3). Solving the equation  $\bar{\partial}\gamma_n = \partial u$ ,  $\gamma_n \in \text{im } \partial$ , we obtain a solution  $\gamma_n$  which is  $\partial$ -exact and  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed on  $X$ . Applying Proposition 4 again, **we replace  $\gamma_n$  by another solution  $\gamma_n - dd^c f$  which vanishes on  $X$ .** ■