# Hyperkähler manifolds are non-hyperbolic

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#### **Teichmüller spaces**

**Definition:** Let M be a compact complex manifold, and  $\text{Diff}_0(M)$  a connected component of its diffeomorphism group (the group of isotopies). Denote by Comp the space of complex structures on M, and let Teich :=  $\text{Comp} / \text{Diff}_0(M)$ . We call it the Teichmüller space.

**Remark:** Teich is a finite-dimensional complex space (Kodaira-Spencer-Kuranishi-Douady), but often non-Hausdorff.

**Definition:** Let  $\text{Diff}_+(M)$  be the group of oriented diffeomorphisms of M. We call  $\Gamma := \text{Diff}_+(M) / \text{Diff}_0(M)$  the mapping class group.

**REMARK:** Equivalence classes of complex structures on M are **in bijective** correspondence with elements of the quotient set Teich / $\Gamma$ .

To solve the moduli problem, one needs to describe Teich and Γ.

# Holomorphically symplectic manifolds

**DEFINITION:** A hyperkähler structure on a manifold M is a Riemannian structure g and a triple of complex structures I, J, K, satisfying quaternionic relations  $I \circ J = -J \circ I = K$ , such that g is Kähler for I, J, K.

**REMARK: A hyperkähler manifold is holomorphically symplectic:**  $\omega_J + \sqrt{-1} \omega_K$  is a holomorphic symplectic form on (M, I).

**THEOREM:** (Calabi-Yau) A compact, Kähler, holomorphically symplectic manifold **admits a unique hyperkähler metric in any Kähler class.** 

**DEFINITION:** For the rest of this talk, a hyperkähler manifold is a compact, Kähler, holomorphically symplectic manifold.

**DEFINITION:** A compact hyperkähler manifold M is called **simple**, or IHS, if  $\pi_1(M) = 0$ ,  $H^{2,0}(M) = \mathbb{C}$ .

**Bogomolov's decomposition:** Any hyperkähler manifold admits a finite covering which is a product of a torus and several simple hyperkähler manifolds.

Further on, all hyperkähler manifolds are assumed to be simple/IHS.

# The Bogomolov-Beauville-Fujiki form

**THEOREM:** (Fujiki). Let  $\eta \in H^2(M)$ , and dim M = 2n, where M is hyperkähler. Then  $\int_M \eta^{2n} = cq(\eta, \eta)^n$ , for some primitive integer quadratic form q on  $H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$ , and c > 0 an integer number.

**Definition:** This form is called **Bogomolov-Beauville-Fujiki form**. **It is defined by the Fujiki's relation uniquely, up to a sign**. The sign is determined from the following formula (Bogomolov, Beauville)

$$\lambda q(\eta, \eta) = \int_X \eta \wedge \eta \wedge \Omega^{n-1} \wedge \overline{\Omega}^{n-1} - \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \int_X \eta \wedge \Omega^{n-1} \wedge \overline{\Omega}^n \right) \left( \int_X \eta \wedge \Omega^n \wedge \overline{\Omega}^{n-1} \right)$$

where  $\Omega$  is the holomorphic symplectic form, and  $\lambda > 0$ .

# Computation of the mapping class group

**Theorem:** (Sullivan) Let M be a compact, simply connected Kähler manifold,  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M \ge 3$ . Denote by  $\Gamma_0$  the group of automorphisms of an algebra  $H^*(M,\mathbb{Z})$  preserving the Pontryagin classes  $p_i(M)$ . Then **the natural map**  $\operatorname{Diff}_+(M)/\operatorname{Diff}_0 \longrightarrow \Gamma_0$  has finite kernel, and its image has finite index in  $\Gamma_0$ .

**Theorem:** Let M be a simple hyperkähler manifold, and  $\Gamma_0$  as above. Then (i)  $\Gamma_0|_{H^2(M,\mathbb{Z})}$  is a finite index subgroup of  $O(H^2(M,\mathbb{Z}),q)$ . (ii) The map  $\Gamma_0 \longrightarrow O(H^2(M,\mathbb{Z}),q)$  has finite kernel.

**DEFINITION:** An arithmetic subgroup in a Lie group G defined over rational numbers is a subgroup commensurable with the set  $G_{\mathbb{Z}}$  of its integer points.

**COROLLARY:** The mapping class group of a hyperkähler manifold is an arithmetic group.

**REMARK:** The Teichmüller group (mapping class group of a Riemann surface) is **not** an arithmetic group.

# The period map

**Remark:** For any  $J \in \text{Teich}$ , (M, J) is also a simple hyperkähler manifold, hence  $H^{2,0}(M, J)$  is one-dimensional.

**Definition:** Let P : Teich  $\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  map J to a line  $H^{2,0}(M, J) \in \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$ . The map P : Teich  $\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$  is called **the period map**.

**REMARK:** *P* maps Teich into an open subset of a quadric, defined by

$$\mathbb{P}er := \{l \in \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C}) \mid q(l, l) = 0, q(l, \bar{l}) > 0\}.$$

It is called **the period space** of M.

#### Period space as a Grassmannian of positive 2-planes

**PROPOSITION:** The period space

 $\mathbb{P}er := \{l \in \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C}) \mid q(l, l) = 0, q(l, \bar{l}) > 0\}.$ 

is identified with  $SO(b_2-3,3)/SO(2) \times SO(b_2-3,1)$ , which is a Grassmannian of positive oriented 2-planes in  $H^2(M,\mathbb{R})$ .

**Proof. Step 1:** Given  $l \in \mathbb{P}H^2(M, \mathbb{C})$ , the space generated by Im l, Re l is **2-dimensional**, because  $q(l, l) = 0, q(l, \overline{l})$  implies that  $l \cap H^2(M, \mathbb{R}) = 0$ .

Step 2: This 2-dimensional plane is positive, because  $q(\text{Re}l, \text{Re}l) = q(l + \overline{l}, l + \overline{l}) = 2q(l, \overline{l}) > 0$ .

**Step 3:** Conversely, for any 2-dimensional positive plane  $V \in H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$ , **the quadric**  $\{l \in V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \mid q(l, l) = 0\}$  consists of two lines; a choice of a line is determined by orientation.

#### Birational Teichmüller moduli space

**DEFINITION:** Let *M* be a topological space. We say that  $x, y \in M$  are **non-separable** (denoted by  $x \sim y$ ) if for any open sets  $V \ni x, U \ni y, U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

**THEOREM:** (Huybrechts) Two points  $I, I' \in$  Teich are non-separable if and only if there exists a bimeromorphism  $(M, I) \longrightarrow (M, I')$  which is non-singular in codimension 2.

**DEFINITION:** The space Teich<sub>b</sub> := Teich /  $\sim$  is called **the birational Te**ichmüller space of M.

**THEOREM:** The period map  $\text{Teich}_b \xrightarrow{\text{Per}} \mathbb{P}er$  is an isomorphism, for each connected component of  $\text{Teich}_b$ .

**DEFINITION:** Let M be a hyperkaehler manifold, Teich<sub>b</sub> its birational Teichmüller space, and  $\Gamma$  the mapping class group. The quotient Teich<sub>b</sub>/ $\Gamma$  is called **the birational moduli space** of M.

### Monodromy group and the birational moduli space

**THEOREM:** Let (M, I) be a hyperkähler manifold, and W the set of birational classes of complex structures (holomorphically symplectic, Kähler type) in a connected component of its deformation space. Then W is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}er/\Gamma_I$ , where  $\mathbb{P}er = SO(b_2 - 3, 3)/SO(2) \times SO(b_2 - 3, 1)$  and  $\Gamma_I$  is an arithmetic subgroup in  $O(H^2(M, \mathbb{R}), q)$ , called the monodromy group.

**REMARK:**  $\Gamma_I$  is a group generated by monodromy of the Gauss-Manin local system on  $H^2(M)$  (Markman).

**A CAUTION:** Usually "the global Torelli theorem" is understood as a theorem about Hodge structures. For K3 surfaces, the Hodge structure on  $H^2(M,\mathbb{Z})$  determines the complex structure. For dim<sub>C</sub> M > 2, it is false.

**REMARK:** Further on, **I shall freely identify**  $\mathbb{P}$ er and Teich<sub>b</sub>.

# **Ergodic complex structures**

**DEFINITION:** Let  $(M, \mu)$  be a space with measure, and G a group acting on M preserving measure. This action is **ergodic** if all G-invariant measurable subsets  $M' \subset M$  satisfy  $\mu(M') = 0$  or  $\mu(M \setminus M') = 0$ .

**CLAIM:** Let *M* be a manifold,  $\mu$  a Lebesgue measure, and *G* a group acting on  $(M, \mu)$  ergodically. Then the set of non-dense orbits has measure 0.

**Proof:** Consider a non-empty open subset  $U \subset M$ . Then  $\mu(U) > 0$ , hence  $M' := G \cdot U$  satisfies  $\mu(M \setminus M') = 0$ . For any orbit  $G \cdot x$  not intersecting U,  $x \in M \setminus M'$ . Therefore the set of such orbits has measure 0.

**DEFINITION:** Let M be a complex manifold, Teich its Techmüller space, and  $\Gamma$  the mapping group acting on Teich **An ergodic complex structure** is a complex structure with dense  $\Gamma$ -orbit.

**CLAIM:** Let (M, I) be a manifold with ergodic complex structure, and I' another complex structure. Then there exists a sequence of diffeomorphisms  $\nu_i$  such that  $\nu_i^*(I)$  converges to I'.

# **Ergodicity of the monodromy group action**

The moduli space  $\mathbb{P}er/\Gamma_I$  is extremely non-Hausdorff.

**THEOREM:** (Calvin C. Moore, 1966) Let  $\Gamma$  be an arithmetic subgroup in a non-compact simple Lie group G with finite center, and  $H \subset G$  a non-compact subgroup. Then the left action of  $\Gamma$  on G/H is ergodic.

**THEOREM:** Let  $\mathbb{P}$ er be a component of a birational Teichmüller space, and  $\Gamma$  its monodromy group. Let  $\mathbb{P}$ er<sub>e</sub> be a set of all points  $L \subset \mathbb{P}$ er such that the orbit  $\Gamma \cdot L$  is dense (such points are called **ergodic**). Then  $Z := \mathbb{P}$ er \  $\mathbb{P}$ er<sub>e</sub> has measure 0.

**Proof. Step 1:** Let  $G = SO(b_2 - 3, 3)$ ,  $H = SO(2) \times SO(b_2 - 3, 1)$ . Then  $\Gamma$ -action on G/H is ergodic, by Moore's theorem.

**Step 2:** Ergodic orbits are dense, non-ergodic orbits have measure 0. ■

**REMARK:** This implies that "almost all"  $\Gamma$ -orbits in G/H are dense.

**REMARK:** Generic deformation of M has no rational curves, and no nontrivial birational models. Therefore, **outside of a measure zero subset**, Teich = Teich<sub>b</sub>. This implies that **almost all complex structures on** M **are ergodic**.

#### **Ratner's theorem**

**DEFINITION:** Let G be a connected Lie group equipped with a Haar measure. A lattice  $\Gamma \subset G$  is a discrete subgroup of finite covolume (that is,  $G/\Gamma$  has finite volume).

**EXAMPLE:** By Borel and Harish-Chandra theorem, any integer lattice in a simple Lie group has finite covolume.

**THEOREM:** Let  $H \subset G$  be a Lie subroup generated by unipotents, and  $\Gamma \subset G$  a lattice. Then a closure of any *H*-orbit in  $G/\Gamma$  is an orbit of a closed, connected subgroup  $S \subset G$ , such that  $S \cap \Gamma \subset S$  is a lattice.

**REMARK:** Let  $x \in G/H$  be a point in a homogeneous space, and  $\Gamma \cdot x$  its  $\Gamma$ -orbit, where  $\Gamma$  is an arithmetic lattice. Then its closure is an orbit of a group S containing stabilizer of x. Moreover, S is a smallest group defined over rationals and stabilizing x.

# **Characterization of ergodic complex structures**

**CLAIM:** Let  $G = SO^+(3,k)$ , and  $H \cong SO^+(1,k) \times SO(2) \subset G$ . Then any closed connected Lie subgroup  $S \subset G$  containing H coincides with G or with H.

**COROLLARY:** Let  $J \in \mathbb{P}$ er = G/H. Then either J is ergodic, or its  $\Gamma$ -orbit is closed in  $\mathbb{P}$ er.

**REMARK:** By Ratner's theorem, in the latter case the *H*-orbit of *J* has finite volume in  $G/\Gamma$ . Therefore, **its intersection with**  $\Gamma$  **is a lattice in** *H*. This brings

**COROLLARY:** Let  $J \in \mathbb{P}$ er be a point such that its  $\Gamma$ -orbit is closed in  $\mathbb{P}$ er. Consider its stabilizer  $St(J) \cong H \subset G$ . Then  $St(J) \cap \Gamma$  is a lattice in St(J).

**COROLLARY:** Let *J* be a non-ergodic complex structure on a hyperkähler manifold, and  $W \subset H^2(M, \mathbb{R})$  be a plane generated by  $\operatorname{Re}\Omega, \operatorname{Im}\Omega$ . Then *W* is rational. Equivalently, this means that Pic(M) has maximal possible dimension.

**REMARK:** This can be used to show that **any hyperkähler manifold is Kobayashi non-hyperbolic.** 

# Kobayashi hyperbolic manifolds

**DEFINITION:** An entire curve is a non-constant map  $\mathbb{C} \longrightarrow M$ .

**DEFINITION:** A compact complex manifold M is called **Kobayashi hyper-bolic**, if there exist no entire curves  $\mathbb{C} \longrightarrow M$ .

# THEOREM: (Brody, 1975)

Let  $I_i$  be a sequence of complex structures on M which are not hyperbolic, and I its limit. Then (M, I) is also not hyperbolic.

# **THEOREM:** All hyperkähler manifolds are non-hyperbolic.

**REMARK: This conjecture would follow if we produce an ergodic complex structure which is non-hyperbolic.** Indeed, a closure of its orbit is the whole Teich, and a limit of non-hyperbolic complex structures is nonhyperbolic.

# Twistor spaces and hyperkähler geometry

**DEFINITION:** A hyperkähler structure on a manifold M is a Riemannian structure g and a triple of complex structures I, J, K, satisfying quaternionic relations  $I \circ J = -J \circ I = K$ , such that g is Kähler for I, J, K.

**DEFINITION:** Induced complex structures on a hyperkähler manifold are complex structures of form  $S^2 \cong \{L := aI + bJ + cK, a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1.\}$ 

**DEFINITION:** A twistor space Tw(M) of a hyperkähler manifold is a complex manifold obtained by gluing these complex structures into a holomorphic family over  $\mathbb{C}P^1$ . More formally:

Let  $\mathsf{Tw}(M) := M \times S^2$ . Consider the complex structure  $I_m : T_m M \to T_m M$  on M induced by  $J \in S^2 \subset \mathbb{H}$ . Let  $I_J$  denote the complex structure on  $S^2 = \mathbb{C}P^1$ .

The operator  $I_{\mathsf{TW}} = I_m \oplus I_J : T_x \mathsf{Tw}(M) \to T_x \mathsf{Tw}(M)$  satisfies  $I^2_{\mathsf{TW}} = -\operatorname{Id}$ . **It defines an almost complex structure on**  $\mathsf{Tw}(M)$ . This almost complex structure is known to be integrable (Obata).

#### **Entire curves in twistor fibers**

# THEOREM: (F. Campana, 1992)

Let *M* be a hyperkähler manifold, and  $Tw(M) \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{C}P^1$  its twistor projection. Then there exists an entire curve in some fiber of  $\pi$ .

# CLAIM: There exists a twistor family which has only ergodic fibers.

**Proof:** There are only countably many complex structures which are not ergodic. ■

#### **THEOREM:** All hyperkähler manifolds are non-hyperbolic.

**Proof:** Let  $Tw(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1$  be a twistor family with all fibers ergodic. By Campana's theorem, one of these fibers, denoted (M, I), is non-hyperbolic. Since any complex structure  $I' \in$  Teich lies in the closure of  $Diff(M) \cdot I$ , all complex structures  $I' \in$  Teich are non-hyperbolic.