

Complex Geometry: Exercise Set 6

Exercise 1

Let M be a real 4-manifold and let $\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(M)$ be closed, with $\sigma \wedge \sigma = 0$ and $\sigma \wedge \bar{\sigma}$ everywhere nonvanishing. Show that M admits a unique complex structure such that σ is a holomorphic 2-form. (Hint: What should $T^{0,1}M$ be?)

Exercise 2

(These two should have been assigned a while ago, but better late than never.)

1. Suppose M is an oriented Riemannian manifold of dimension n . Verify the assertion from class that $\star^2 = (-1)^{k(n-k)}$ acting on $\mathcal{A}^k(M)$.
2. If $M = X$ is complex, so $n = 2m$, show that $\star^2 = (-1)^k$ acting on $\mathcal{A}^k(X)$.

Exercise 3

1. Verify by hand that the Kähler identities hold on \mathbb{C}^m .
2. Verify that the Kähler identities *do not* hold for the Hermitian metric on \mathbb{C}^2 with fundamental form $\omega = idz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + i(|z_1|^2 + 1)dz_2 \wedge d\bar{z}_2$. (For example, try computing $[\partial, L]\cdot$)

Exercise 4

Suppose X is a compact Kähler manifold, of dimension n .

1. Show that the Kähler form ω is harmonic.
2. Show that holomorphic top-forms on X are harmonic, and harmonic $(n, 0)$ -forms are holomorphic. (Note that this means the space of harmonic $(n, 0)$ -forms on X is actually independent of the Kähler metric we choose.)
3. Show that any two cohomologous Kähler forms ω, ω' are related by $\omega = \omega' + i\partial\bar{\partial}f$ for some real function f .

Exercise 5

Suppose X is complex. Verify the assertion from class that if ω and ω' are the Kähler forms for some Kähler metrics on X , then $a\omega + b\omega'$ is too, for any $a, b > 0$.

(This implies that the space of ω corresponding to Kähler metrics forms a convex cone in $H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R})$, called the “Kähler cone.” In fact the Kähler cone is open in $H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R})$; this should seem plausible since the condition of positivity is an open condition. Of course, the Kähler cone may be empty.)

Exercise 6

A closed 2-form ω on a C^∞ manifold M of dimension $2m$ is called a *symplectic structure* if ω is closed and nondegenerate at every point.

1. Show that a compact symplectic manifold has $b_{2k} \geq 1$ for $0 \leq k \leq m$. (Hint: show that ω^m is not exact.)
2. Show that Kähler manifolds carry natural symplectic structures.