

# Mathematical Aspects of (Bosonic) String Theory

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**Note to the reader:**

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A main reference is the textbook “Complex Geometry: An Introduction” by Daniel Huybrechts.

## 1 Elements of Complex Analysis

### 1.1 Elementary Characterisations

**Definition 1** (Analytic Function). Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open subset (in the complex topology). We say that  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is *analytic* in  $U$  if  $\forall z_0 \in U \exists B_\varepsilon(z_0)$  such that  $F$  has a Taylor series expansion in  $z - z_0$ , i.e.

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n \quad \text{with } a_n \in \mathbb{C} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \tag{1}$$

converges uniformly and absolutely.

**Remark.** Representing  $\mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n \oplus i\mathbb{R}^n$  one writes  $\underline{z} = \underline{x} + i\underline{y}$  with  $(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \oplus \mathbb{R}^n$ . In particular  $\mathbb{C} \ni z = x + iy$ .

It follows that  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can be considered as complex functions of two real variables:

$$F(z) = F_{\mathbb{C}}(x, y) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y) \tag{2}$$

with  $u : U_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $v : U_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 2** (Holomorphic Function). Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open set. We say that  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with  $F(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  is a *holomorphic function* if there are  $u, v \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{R}}^0$  such that they satisfy the following system of PDE’s:

$$\partial_x u = \partial_y v \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_y u = -\partial_x v \tag{3}$$

These are the *Cauchy-Riemann-Equations*.

**Note.** Requiring  $u, v \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$  is **stronger** than requiring the existence of partial derivatives so that the Cauchy-Riemann-Equations make sense (Looman-Menchoff Theorem: no need for  $\mathcal{C}^\infty$  as  $\mathcal{C}^0$  is enough).

**Remark.** Let  $T_z^* \mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n} \cong \text{span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{dx_i, dy_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ . Then the complex basis is given by  $T_z^* \mathbb{C}^n \cong \text{span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{dz_i, d\bar{z}_i\}$  where one defines  $dz_i := dx_i + idy_i$  and  $d\bar{z}_i := dx_i - idy_i$ .

Accordingly, one can give the dual basis of  $T_z \mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  with  $\partial_{z_i} := \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{x_i} - i\partial_{y_i})$  and  $\partial_{\bar{z}_i} := \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{x_i} + i\partial_{y_i})$ .

Note that  $dz_i, d\bar{z}_i$  and  $\partial_{z_i}, \partial_{\bar{z}_i}$  are indeed dual to each other allowing to rewrite the Cauchy-Riemann-Equations in a more compact fashion:

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} f = 0 \quad (4)$$

This follows directly from the definition and rewriting:

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} f = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_x + i\partial_y)(u(x, y) + iv(x, y)) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Cauchy-Riemann-Equations}$$

**Note** (Holomorphic  $\Leftrightarrow$  Complex differentiable). It is possible to prove that a function is holomorphic if and only if it is complex differentiable (in a neighbourhood of each point of its domain). Recall that *complex differentiability* at  $z = z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  means that the limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$$

exists with  $h \in \mathbb{C}$ . In particular, complex differentiability implies differentiability, but the converse is not true.

**Example 1.** The function  $f(z) = \bar{z} \in C^\infty$  is not complex differentiable!

**Theorem 1** (Holomorphic  $\Leftrightarrow$  Analytic). *Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic if and only if it is analytic.*

*Proof.* ' $\Rightarrow$ ': Let  $F$  be holomorphic and let  $B_\varepsilon(z_0) \in U$  s.t.  $\partial B_\varepsilon(z_0) =: \mathcal{C}$  with a positive orientation and let  $z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$ . We use the *Cauchy Integral Theorem* stating that in this setting, for all  $z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$  one has

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{F(w)}{w-z} dw$$

But then we can proceed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} dw \frac{F(w)}{(w-z_0) - (z-z_0)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} dw \frac{F(w)}{w-z_0} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z-z_0}{w-z_0}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} dw \frac{F(w)}{w-z_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{z-z_0}{w-z_0} \right)^n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\left( \oint_{\mathcal{C}} dw \frac{F(w)}{(w-z_0)^{n+1}} \right)}_{=: \alpha_n} (z-z_0)^n \end{aligned}$$

Note: it is subtle to prove that the series converges uniformly and absolutely on  $\mathcal{C}$  and therefore one can indeed exchange  $\oint \leftrightarrow \sum$ . To this end, observe that

$$(i) \left| \frac{F(w)}{w-z_0} \right| < M \text{ with } M > 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{C},$$

(ii) For all  $w \in \mathcal{C}$  exists an  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\left| \frac{z-z_0}{w-z_0} \right| \leq r < 1$ ,

implying  $\left| \frac{(z-z_0)^n}{(w-z_0)^{n+1}} F(w) \right| \leq Mr^n$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ . That is, we use the *Weierstrass "M-test"* to prove the convergence.

' $\Leftarrow$ ': Let  $F$  be analytic with Taylor series expansion  $F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n (z - z_0)^n$  for all  $z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0) \subseteq U$ .

We use the following generalisation of Cauchy's Theorem for smooth functions:

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\partial B} \frac{F(w)}{w-z} dw + \int_B \partial \bar{w} F(w) \frac{dw \wedge d\bar{w}}{w-z}$$

for all  $z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ . Then, it is enough to observe the following facts:

(i) The partial sums  $\{s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots\}$  where  $s_n := \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i (z - z_0)^i$  satisfy Cauchy's integral formula,

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\partial B} \frac{F_n(w)}{w-z} dw \text{ near } z_0 \text{ (because } \partial_{\bar{z}}(z - z_0)^n = 0\text{)}.$$

(ii) By uniform convergence of the series, the same is true for  $F$ .

(iii) It follows that  $F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\partial B_\varepsilon(z_0)} \frac{F(w)}{w-z} dw$ .

(iv) Differentiation with  $\partial_{\bar{z}}$  yields  $\partial_{\bar{z}} \frac{F(w)}{w-z} = 0$ .

Thus,  $\partial_{\bar{z}} F = 0$ . □

**Remark.** This proves that the the notions of analytic and holomorphic functions coincide. We will mostly use the latter.

## 1.2 Fundamental Theorems in One Complex Variable

For a more precise treatment including proofs, see Dr. Kasten's script "Funktionentheorie I" for example.

**Theorem 2** (Liouville's Theorem). *Let  $F : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic and bounded. Then  $F$  is constant.*

*Proof.* First, we show the following lemma:

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic with  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open and connected (domain). If  $F' = 0$ , then  $F$  is constant on  $U$ .*

*Proof.* We need to show that  $F(z_0) = F(z_1)$  for all  $z_0, z_1 \in U$ . Since  $U$  is a domain, it is path-connected. Let  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow U$  with  $\gamma(0) = z_0$  and  $\gamma(1) = z_1$  be a path. Then  $0 = \int_\gamma F'(w) dw = F(z_1) - F(z_0)$  concluding the proof. □

Back to the proof of Liouville's Theorem: We suppose that  $|F(z)| \leq M \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

(i) To prove that  $F$  is constant. we only need to show that  $F' = 0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  which is indeed connected.

(ii) Use Cauchy's generalised integral theorem for a path  $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma(t) := z_0 + Re^{it}$  with  $R > 0$  and  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ :

$$F'(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{F(w)}{(w - z_0)^2} dw = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{F(z_0 + Re^{it})}{(Re^{it})^2} iRe^{it} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi R} \int_0^{2\pi} F(z_0 + Re^{it}) e^{-it} dt$$

(iii) Use that  $F$  is bounded:

$$0 \leq |F'(z_0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi R} \int_0^{2\pi} |F(z_0 + Re^{it})| dt \leq \frac{M}{R} \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Since  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  is arbitrary, it follows  $F' = 0$ .

Hence, using the previous lemma, we are done. □

**Note.** This is possibly the most striking difference between real and complex analysis, e.g.  $\sin_{\mathbb{C}} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is unbounded!

**Note.** It implies that there is no (bi-)holomorphic function  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow B_1(0)$ , i.e.  $\mathbb{C} \not\cong B_1(0)$ .

**Theorem 3** (Maximum Principle). *Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  holomorphic and non-constant. Then  $|f|$  has **no** local maximum in  $U$ .*

*In particular, if  $U$  is bounded and  $F$  can be extended to a continuous function  $F_{\mathbb{C}} : \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , then  $|f|$  takes its maxima on the boundary  $\partial U$ .*

**Theorem 4** (Identity Theorem). *Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain,  $f, g : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic and let  $V \subseteq U$  be a non-empty subset such that  $f(z) = g(z)$  on  $V$ . Then  $f = g$  in  $U$ .*

**Theorem 5** (Riemann Extension Theorem). *Let  $F : B_{\varepsilon}(z_0) \setminus \{z_0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a bounded holomorphic function. Then  $F$  can be extended uniquely to a holomorphic function  $\tilde{F} : B_{\varepsilon}(z_0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .*

**Definition 3** (Bi-holomorphic Function). *Let  $U, V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open subsets and  $f : U \rightarrow V$  holomorphic. We call  $f$  bi-holomorphic if it is bijective such that  $f^{-1}$  is also holomorphic.*

**Theorem 6** (Little Riemann Mapping Theorem). *Let  $U \subsetneq \mathbb{C}$  be a simply connected and open subset in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then  $U$  is bi-holomorphic to the unit ball  $B_1(0) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ .*

**Theorem 7** (Residue Theorem). *Let  $F : B_{\varepsilon}(z_0) \setminus \{z_0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic with an isolated singularity in  $z_0$ . Then  $F$  has a Laurent Series Expansion at  $z_0$*

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_n (z - z_0)^n \text{ with } \text{Res}_f(z_0) = \alpha_{-1} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=\varepsilon/2} F(z) dz \quad (5)$$

and  $\alpha_n \in \mathbb{C} \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

### 1.3 Several Complex Variables

We now consider the case with more than one complex variable.

**Definition 4** (Holomorphic Function ( $n > 1$ )). Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  and let  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$ . Then  $f$  is *holomorphic* if the Cauchy-Riemann-Equations (c.f. 3) with  $f = u + iv$  are satisfied for all  $z_j = x_j + iy_j, j = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Note.** Once again, we can rewrite this in a more compact fashion:

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \partial_{x_j} u = \partial_{y_j} v \\ \partial_{y_j} u = -\partial_{x_j} v \end{array} \right) \Leftrightarrow \partial_{\bar{z}_j} f = 0 \tag{6}$$

with  $\partial_{\bar{z}_j} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{x_j} + i\partial_{y_j})$ .

**Note.** When  $n > 1$ , we take *polydisks* as a basis for the topology:

$$B_{\underline{\varepsilon}}(\underline{w}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n : |z_j - w_j| < \varepsilon_i \forall i\} \tag{7}$$

Theorem	$n = 1$	$n > 1$
Cauchy integral formula	✓	✓
analytic = holomorphic	✓	✓
Liouville's Theorem	✓	✓
Maximum Principle	✓	✓
Identity Theorem	✓	✓
Riemann Extension Theorem	✓	✓
Riemann Mapping Theorem	✓	✗

Table 1: Comparison between  $n = 1$  and  $n > 1$

Counterexample to the Riemann Mapping Theorem:  $\mathbb{C}^2 \supset B_{(1,1)}(0) \not\subseteq \mathbb{D}$

**Note.** Viceversa, there are also theorems which hold true in several variables but not in one variable.

**Theorem 8** (Hartog's Extension Theorem). Let  $\underline{\varepsilon} := (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$  and  $\underline{\varepsilon}' := (\varepsilon'_1, \dots, \varepsilon'_n)$  with  $n > 1$  such that  $\varepsilon'_i < \varepsilon_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then any holomorphic map  $f : B_{\underline{\varepsilon}}(0) \setminus \overline{B_{\underline{\varepsilon}'}}(0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can uniquely be extended to a holomorphic map  $f : B_{\underline{\varepsilon}}(0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

“Slogan”: A holomorphic function in  $\mathbb{C}^n \supset U \setminus \{z_0\}, z_0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  extends to a holomorphic function in all  $U$ .

Counterexample in  $d = 1$ :  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , but it cannot be extended to a holomorphic function in  $\mathbb{C}$ !

## 2 Elements of Sheaf Theory

Local Properties of Holomorphic Functions: a holomorphic function  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with a domain  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is determined **completely** by local information.

**Remark.** This is spelled out precisely in the Identity Theorem (Theorem 4) in complex analysis.

**Theorem 9.** Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and let  $F, G : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic. If  $V \subseteq U$  is a non-empty open subset and  $F|_V = G|_V$ , then  $F = G$  on  $U$ .

Locally, a holomorphic function is represented by its *Taylor Series Expansion*: we now want to study holomorphic functions from this local point of view, i.e. we “forget” the domain of definition of  $F$ , but only take into account its “local representations”. This leads to the notion of sheaves of holomorphic functions.

**Definition 5** (Presheaf). Let  $X$  be a topological space. We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a *presheaf* (of abelian groups) if

- 1)  $X \supseteq U \mapsto \mathcal{F}(U) \in \text{Obj}(\text{Ab})$  ( $\mathcal{F}(U)$  is an abelian group for all  $U \in X$ )
- 2) For all inclusions  $U \subseteq V$ , there is a homomorphism of abelian groups, namely the *restriction morphism*:

**Definition 6** (Restriction Morphism). This is a homomorphism of abelian groups,  $(V \hookrightarrow U) \mapsto (\rho_V^U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(V))$ , such that

- 1)  $\rho_U^U = \text{id}_U$
- 2)  $\rho_W^V \circ \rho_V^U = \rho_W^U$  for  $W \subseteq V \subseteq U$

We introduce the following notation:  $\rho_V^U(s) =: s|_V$ .

**Note.** Usually, one defines  $\mathcal{F}(\emptyset) := 0$  (the trivial abelian group), but this is not an axiom.

**Note.** Elements in  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  are called *sections* (of  $\mathcal{F}$  over  $U$ ).

**Definition 7** (Sheaf). A presheaf on  $X$  is called a *sheaf* (of abelian groups) if it satisfies the following conditions (sometimes called sheaf axioms):

- 1) **Local Identity:** Let  $\{U_j\}$  be open sets in  $X$  and  $s, t \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  with  $U = \bigcup_j U_j$ . If  $s|_{U_j} = t|_{U_j}$  for all  $j$ , then  $s = t$  in  $U$ .
- 2) **Gluing:** Let  $\{U_j\}$  be open sets in  $X$  with  $U = \bigcup_j U_j$ . Then for any collection of sections  $s_j \in \mathcal{F}(U_j)$  with  $s_j|_{U_i \cap U_j} = s_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}$  for all  $i, j$ , there always exists a global section  $S \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that  $s|_{U_j} = s_j$  for all  $j$ .

**Note.** By condition 1), the global section in 2) is unique.

**Example 2** (Sheaf of Holomorphic Functions). Consider  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then

$\mathbb{C}^n \supseteq U \mapsto \mathcal{O}(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is holomorphic}\}$  is the *sheaf of holomorphic functions*.

**Remark.** Although sheaves are defined on open sets, the underlying topological space  $X$  consists of points. It is therefore reasonable to try to isolate the behaviour of a sheaf at a point  $a \in X$ .

Conceptually, we do this by looking at a small neighbourhood of the point. If we look at a sufficiently small neighbourhood  $U_a$  of  $a$ , the behaviour of the sheaf will be the same as the behaviour of the sheaf in  $a \in X$ .

Problem: No single neighbourhood will be "small enough", so we have to take a sort of "limit" procedure. This leads to the concept of the *direct limit*:

- (i) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a (pre)sheaf on  $X$ . For  $a \in X$ , we consider  $\{U_a\}$ , the set of all possible open neighbourhoods and we consider the disjoint union  $\coprod_{U_a} \mathcal{F}(U_a)$ .
- (ii) We introduce an equivalence relation on  $\coprod_{U_a} \mathcal{F}(U_a)$ : let  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U_1)$ ,  $t \in \mathcal{F}(U_2)$  with  $U_1, U_2 \in \{U_a\}$ : Then, define:

$$s \sim_a t : \iff \exists V \in \{U_a\}, V \subseteq U_1 \cap U_2 : s|_V = t|_V \quad (8)$$

This means that we consider equivalent the sections that coincide locally.

**Definition 8** (Stalk). The *stalk* of a presheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  at  $a \in X$  is (the abelian group)

$$\mathcal{F}_a := \lim_{\rightarrow} \mathcal{F}(U) := \coprod_{U_a \ni a} \mathcal{F}(U_a) / \sim_a \quad (9)$$

**Definition 9** (Germ). Elements  $s_a \in \mathcal{F}_a$  are called *germs* of a section  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U_a)$ ,  $a \in U_a$ . A germ is represented by a pair:  $s_a = (U_a, s)$ . In particular, there is a map  $\rho_a : \mathcal{F}(U_a) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_a$  such that  $s \mapsto s_a := \rho_a(s)$ .

Question: For  $f \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ , holomorphic in  $U \in \mathbb{C}^n$ , what is the relationship between  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, a} \ni f_a$  (stalk of  $f$  in  $a \in U$ ) and the (convergent) Taylor expansion of  $f$  at  $a \in U$ ?

This leads to the following theorem:

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $a \in U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then the stalk  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, a}$  is isomorphic to the algebra of convergent Taylor series at  $a \in U$ ,  $\mathbb{C}\{z_1 - a_1, \dots, z_n - a_n\}$ :*

$$\{f, g \text{ are holomorphic in } U_a \text{ and give rise to the same germ } f_a = g_a \text{ at } a\}$$

$$\iff$$

$$\{f, g \text{ have the same Taylor expansion at } a\}$$



**Remark.** We could restrict to the case  $a \in U$  being the origin since translations  $\tau_a f(z) := f(z - a)$  induce an isomorphism of algebras  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, a} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0}$ .

**Remark.**  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0}$  and  $\mathbb{C}\{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$  are  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebras, i.e. they satisfy

$$s_a \cdot t_a = (s \cdot t)_a, \quad s_a + t_a = (s + t)_a, \quad \lambda s_a = (\lambda s)_a. \quad (10)$$

We will now focus on some properties of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0} \cong \mathbb{C}\{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$ .

**Theorem 11.** *The ring  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0} \cong \mathbb{C}\{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$  is “very nice”. In particular:*

- 1)  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0}$  is local (unique maximal ideal)
- 2)  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, 0}$  is OFD and Noethernian (follows from the Weierstrass Division Theorem)

Finally, we introduce the notion of meromorphic functions. We recall that in one variable, one has the following definition:

**Definition 10** (Meromorphic Function on  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ ). Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open. A function  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is *meromorphic* if  $f : U \setminus \{p_1, \dots, p_k\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic and  $f$  has poles of **finite order** at every point  $\{p_1, \dots, p_k\}$ .

One shows that locally  $f \sim \frac{g}{h}$  with  $\frac{g}{h}$  holomorphic. This generalises to  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :

**Definition 11** (Meromorphic Function on  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ ). Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  be open. We say  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is *meromorphic* if it is locally a quotient of holomorphic functions, i.e.  $f \stackrel{\text{locally}}{\sim} \frac{g}{h}$  with  $g, h : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  holomorphic.

This means that as a function  $f : U \setminus S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , there exists an open over  $\bigcup_i U_i$  of  $U$  and holomorphic functions  $f_i, g_i : U_i \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f|_{U_i \setminus S} \cdot h_i|_{U_i \setminus S} = g_i|_{U_i \setminus S}$ .

**Example 3** (Sheaf of Meromorphic Functions).  $U \mapsto K_{\mathbb{C}^n}(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ meromorphic}\}$

Consider the stalk of  $K_{\mathbb{C}^n}$  at a point: As it can easily be imagined, the stalk at a point  $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is such that the following holds:

**Theorem 12.** *Let  $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then  $K_{\mathbb{C}^n, a} \cong \mathbb{C}_{\text{Laurent}}\{x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n\}$  (convergent Laurent Series at  $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ).*

**Note.**  $K_{\mathbb{C}^n, a}$  is a **field** (no ideal except of itself and the trivial one) and indeed  $K_{\mathbb{C}^n, a}$  is the *field of fractions* of the integral domain  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, a}$ , that is:

$$K_{\mathbb{C}^n, a} = \text{Frac}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n, a}) \cong \mathbb{C}_{\text{Laurent}}\{x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n\} \quad (11)$$

This “justifies” that  $f = \frac{g}{h}$  locally.

### 3 Complex Manifolds

#### 3.1 Basic Definitions

We let  $X$  be a *topological manifold* (i.e. it has the Hausdorff property and it is locally homeomorphic to an open set  $V \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ).

**Definition 12** (Complex Chart). A local *complex chart*  $(U, \varphi)$  of  $X$  is an open set  $U \subseteq X$  with a homeomorphism  $\varphi : U \rightarrow \varphi(U) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  (where  $\mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ ).

*Compatibility:* Let  $(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$  and  $(U_\beta, \varphi_\beta)$  be two complex charts. We say they are compatible if the transition functions

$$\varphi_{\beta\alpha} := \varphi_\beta \circ \varphi_\alpha^{-1} : \underbrace{\varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)}_{\subseteq \mathbb{C}^n} \rightarrow \underbrace{\varphi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)}_{\subseteq \mathbb{C}^n} \quad (12)$$

are **holomorphic**.

**Note.** Observe that  $\varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1}$  is holomorphic too.

**Definition 13** (Holomorphic Atlas). A *holomorphic atlas* of a space  $X$  is a collection of local charts  $\mathcal{A} := \{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in I}$  such that  $X = \bigcup_\alpha U_\alpha$  and all the transition functions  $\varphi_{\alpha\beta}$  are **bi-holomorphic** for all  $\alpha, \beta$ . In this way, each pair of charts is compatible.

**Definition 14** (Holomorphic Structure). A *holomorphic structure* on  $X$  is a **maximal** holomorphic atlas  $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in I}$ . Maximal means that if  $(U, \varphi)$  is a chart and compatible with  $(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in I$ , then  $(U, \varphi) \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 15** (Complex Manifold). A *complex manifold* is a topological manifold together with a holomorphic structure.

**Note.** A holomorphic atlas  $\mathcal{B} = \{(U_\beta, \varphi_\beta)\}_{\beta \in J}$  determines a unique maximal atlas  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ . As such it determines the complex manifold.

The atlas is given by  $\mathcal{A} = \{(U, \varphi) : (U, \varphi) \text{ is compatible with } (U_\beta, \varphi_\beta) \forall \beta \in J\}$ .

**Remark** (Complex Manifolds and Real Manifolds). Given a complex manifold  $X$ , we can think about it without its holomorphic structure:

If  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$ , then  $X$  defines a *differentiable manifold*  $X_o$  with  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} X_o = 2n$ . A complex chart  $(U, \varphi)$  gives rise to a real chart  $(U, \tilde{\varphi})$  via

$$\varphi = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \longleftrightarrow \tilde{\varphi} = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n) \quad (13)$$

with  $z_j = x_j + iy_j$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Theorem 13** (Complex Manifolds and Orientability). *Consider a complex manifold  $X$  as a real manifold  $X_o$ . Then  $X_o$  is **orientable**.*

*Proof.* Any transition function  $\varphi_{\beta\alpha} = \varphi_\beta \circ \varphi_\alpha^{-1} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  is holomorphic and so is its inverse. We have that  $\det(J_{\mathbb{R}}\varphi_{\beta\alpha}) = |\det(J_{\mathbb{C}}\varphi_{\beta\alpha})|^2 > 0$  (exercise!). Notice that it is non-zero as  $\varphi_{\beta\alpha}$  has an inverse. Now  $J_{\mathbb{R}}\varphi_{\beta\alpha}$  is the jacobian of the transition functions  $\tilde{\varphi}_{\beta\alpha}$  on  $X_o$ . Then every transition function has positive determinant: it follows that  $X_o$  is equipped with a positive atlas, hence it is (positively) oriented.  $\square$

Consequence: Not every (even dimensional) differentiable manifold  $X_o^{2n}$  can be seen as the underlying differentiable manifold of a complex manifold.

**Definition 16** (Holomorphic Functions). Let  $U \subseteq X$  be an open set. Then  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is *holomorphic* if for charts  $(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha) \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  with  $U_\alpha \cap U \neq \emptyset$

$$f \circ \varphi_\alpha^{-1} : \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad (14)$$

is holomorphic.

*Sheaf of Holomorphic Functions:*

$$X \supseteq U \mapsto \mathcal{O}_X(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is holomorphic}\} \quad (15)$$

**Note.** It follows from the definition that using a chart  $(U, \varphi)$  with  $\varphi(\tilde{x}) = 0$  for  $\tilde{x} \in U$ , then  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n,0}$ . **Stalks coincide with those of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .**

**Remark.** Let  $(U, \varphi = (z_1, \dots, z_n))$  a complex chart with  $x \in U$ ,  $\varphi(x) = 0$  and let  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic. Then we have

$$(f \circ \varphi^{-1})(w) = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_{k_1, \dots, k_n} w_1^{k_1} \dots w_n^{k_n} \quad (16)$$

with  $x \in U$  and  $\varphi(x) = w$ . This means that  $f(x) = (f \circ \varphi^{-1})(\varphi(x)) = \sum_{\underline{k}} \alpha_{k_1, \dots, k_n} \underbrace{(\varphi_1(x))^{k_1}}_{z_1(x)} \dots \underbrace{(\varphi_n(x))^{k_n}}_{z_n(x)}$ .

Hence:  $f = \sum_{\underline{k}} \alpha_{\underline{k}} z_1^{k_1} \dots z_n^{k_n}$ , the Taylor expansion at a point.

**Definition 17** (Holomorphic Map  $X \rightarrow Y$ ). A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  between complex manifolds is *holomorphic* if  $\psi_\beta \circ f \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap f^{-1}(V_\beta)) \rightarrow \varphi_\beta(U_\beta)$  is holomorphic for all charts  $(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$  of  $X$  and  $(V_\beta, \psi_\beta)$  of  $Y$ . It is sufficient to verify in one atlas of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

We say that the manifolds are *isomorphic*,  $X \cong Y$ , if there exists a holomorphic homeomorphism  $X \rightarrow Y$ . Note that  $f^{-1}$  is holomorphic as well.

We now come to a crucial result:

**Theorem 14** (Global Sections of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ ). *Let  $X$  be a compact and connected complex manifold. Then  $\mathcal{O}_X(X) \cong \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic. Then,  $f$  is continuous and so is  $|f|$ . It follows that  $|f|$  has a maximum at some  $x \in X$  since  $X$  is compact. But, if  $(U, \varphi)$  is a chart with  $x \in U$ , then  $f \circ \varphi^{-1} : \varphi(U) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is locally constant by the Maximum Principle (theorem 3). Finally, since  $X$  is connected, the identity principle (theorem 4) implies that  $f$  has to be constant.  $\square$

Comment: There are **no** non-constant holomorphic functions and as such there are **no** embeddings in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Usually, compactness makes life easier. Instead, it tells us here that we are allowed to deal with holomorphic functions because they are all constant.

## 3.2 Examples

### Complex Projective Space

As usual, we define the *complex projective space*

$$\mathbb{P}^n \quad (:= \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n) := (\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}) / \sim, \quad (17)$$

where  $u \sim v \Leftrightarrow u = tv$  for  $t \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  and  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ . Note that there is an action (**proper** and **free**) of  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ ; the quotient by this action is  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . In other words, we let

$$\begin{aligned} \pi : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \\ (x_0, \dots, x_n) &\longmapsto [x_0 : x_1 : \dots : x_n] \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

This is the quotient map and  $[x_0 : \dots : x_n]$  are called *homogeneous coordinates*.

Topology:  $\mathbb{P}^n$  has the quotient topology:  $U \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$  is open if  $\pi^{-1}(U) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$  is open.

The usual atlas  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{P}^n} = \{(U_j, \varphi_j)\}_{j=0, \dots, n}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_j : U_j &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \\ [x_0 : \dots : x_n] &\longmapsto \left( \frac{x_0}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{\widehat{x_j}}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{x_j} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

with  $U_j = \{[x_0 : \dots : x_n] : x_j \neq 0\}$ . Notice that the inverse map is given by  $\varphi_j^{-1} : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto [x_1 : \dots : 1 : \dots : x_n]$ .

Compatibility: As an easier example, we verify the compatibility between  $(U_0, \varphi_0)$  and  $(U_1, \varphi_1)$ . The transition functions yield:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_0 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : \varphi_1(U_0 \cap U_1) &\longrightarrow U_0 \cap U_1 \longrightarrow \varphi_0(U_0 \cap U_1) \\ (x_0, x_2, \dots, x_n) &\longmapsto [x_0 : 1 : \dots : x_n] \longmapsto \left( \frac{1}{x_0}, \frac{x_2}{x_0}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{x_0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi_0 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} =: \varphi_{01} : \varphi_1(U_0 \cap U_1) \rightarrow \varphi_0(U_0 \cap U_1)$  is indeed holomorphic.

**Lemma 2.**  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is compact for any  $n$ .

*Proof.* We let  $S^{2n+1} = \{u \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} : \|u\| = \sqrt{\sum_i |u_j|^2} = 1\}$ . We know that  $S^{2n+1}$  is compact and we can observe that  $\pi|_{S^{2n+1}} : S^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$  is surjective. Indeed, if  $p = \pi(u) \in \mathbb{P}^n$ , there exists a  $t \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  such that  $\|tu\| = 1$  which implies  $tu \in S^{2n+1}$  and  $\pi(tu) = \pi(u) = p$ . Now, the map  $\pi$  is continuous and maps compact sets to compact sets.  $\square$

**Note.**  $\pi : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$  is holomorphic, hence continuous. Indeed, let us check this using atlases  $\{(\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}})\}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$  and the standard atlas  $\{(U_j, \varphi_j)\}_j$  on  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . We look at  $j = 0$ :

$$\pi \rightsquigarrow \varphi_0 \circ \pi \circ \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}}(z_0, \dots, z_n) = \varphi_0([z_0 : \dots : z_n]) = \left(\frac{z_1}{z_0}, \dots, \frac{z_n}{z_0}\right)$$

The map is clearly holomorphic on  $\pi^{-1}(U_0) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ .

**Remark** (Sheaves on  $\mathbb{P}^n$ ). First, we define the *sheaf of regular functions* on  $\mathbb{P}^n$ :

$$U \longmapsto \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(U) := \{f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}}(\pi^{-1}(U)) : f(\lambda x) = f(x) \forall x \in \pi^{-1}(U), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times\} \quad (20)$$

Exercise: Let  $(x_0, x_1) \in \mathbb{C}^n$  with  $x_0 \neq 0$ . Show: Then,  $F = \frac{x_1}{x_0} \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(U_0)$ .

- Notice that  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}}(\pi^{-1}(U))$ . The corresponding regular function  $F$  on  $U$  is well-defined as  $F(\pi(x)) = f(x)$ .
- Notice that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}$  is a sheaf of rings.

The sheaves  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)$ : Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and we define:

$$U \longmapsto \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)(U) := \{G \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}}(\pi^{-1}(U)) : G(\lambda x) = \lambda^k G(x) \forall x \in \pi^{-1}(U), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times\} \quad (21)$$

This sheaf has the following properties:

- It is an abelian group with  $(G + H)(x) = G(x) + H(x)$ .
- It is a  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(U)$ -module with  $(fG)(x) = f(\pi(x))G(x)$  for  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(U)$ .
- It is locally free (of rank 1), i.e. for all  $U \subseteq U_j$  one has an isomorphism

$$U \longmapsto \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)(U) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(U) \\ G \longmapsto x_j^{-k} G \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

It follows from this that the product map  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(l) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(l+k)$  given by  $G \otimes H \longmapsto GH$  is an isomorphism.

## Complex Tori

**Definition 18** (Lattice). Let  $\mathbb{C}^n$  be seen as a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space and consider  $2n$  linearly independent vectors  $\{w_1, \dots, w_{2n}\}$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ , that is  $\mathbb{C}^n = \mathbb{R}w_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{R}w_{2n}$ . A *lattice* in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is defined as the subset

$$\Lambda := \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^n : \lambda = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} k_i w_i, k_i \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \quad (23)$$

**Note.**  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  is an additive subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^{2n}$ .

**Definition 19** (Complex Torus). A *complex torus* is defined as the quotient  $\mathbb{C}^n/\Lambda =: A^{(n)}$

**Remark.** As a group, we have  $\mathbb{C}^n/\Lambda \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}/\mathbb{Z}^{2n} \cong (\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})^{2n} \cong (S^1)^{2n}$ . This explains the name "torus".

Topology: It is worth observing that  $A^{(n)}$  can also be seen as a quotient with an equivalence relation, i.e.  $A^{(n)} = \mathbb{C}^n/\sim$ , where  $z \sim w \Leftrightarrow z - w \in \Lambda$ . It follows that  $A^{(n)}$  is a topological space with the quotient topology, moreover it is Hausdorff.

- $\pi : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n/\Lambda$  is open: Indeed, let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  be open and consider  $\pi(V)$ . One has that  $\pi(V)$  is open if  $\pi^{-1}(\pi(V))$  (the "saturation" of  $V$ ) is open, but  $\pi^{-1}(\pi(V)) = \bigsqcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (V + \lambda)$  where the right hand side is open because it is an infinite union of (translated) open sets in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .
- $A^{(n)}$  is compact: We have  $A^{(n)} = \pi(\hat{\Lambda})$  with  $\hat{\Lambda} = \{\sum_i t_i w_i, t \in [0, 1]\}$ . But since  $\hat{\Lambda}$  is compact and  $\pi$  is continuous,  $A^{(n)}$  is compact. (Notice  $A^{(n)} \cong (S^1)^{2n}$ )

Charts and Atlas: For  $x \in A^{(n)}$ , let us consider some  $z \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\pi(z) = x$ .

- Choose a neighbourhood  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\pi_V := \pi|_V \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi(V)$  is a bijection. Notice that this is always possible, e.g. using  $V = \{z + \sum_{i=1}^{2n} t_i w_i : |t_i| < \frac{1}{2} \forall i = 1, \dots, 2n\}$
- Then one has in particular that if  $z, z' \in V$ ,  $z \neq z' + \lambda$  so that  $z \not\sim z'$  unless  $z = z'$ . This means that  $\pi_V : V \rightarrow \pi(V)$  is injective.
- Since  $\pi_V$  is open and injective, it is a homeomorphism.

Thus,  $(\pi(V), \pi_V^{-1})$  is a complex chart for  $x \in A^{(n)}$ .

Compatibility: Let  $V, W \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $V \cap W \neq \emptyset$  and  $\pi(V), \pi(W) \subseteq A^{(n)}$ . Then, we have  $\pi_W^{-1} \circ (\pi_V^{-1})^{-1} : \pi_V^{-1}(\pi(V) \cap \pi(W)) \rightarrow \pi_W^{-1}(\pi(V) \cap \pi(W))$ . Consider a point  $z \in \pi_V^{-1}(\pi(V) \cap \pi(W))$  with  $z' = \pi_W^{-1} \circ (\pi_V^{-1})^{-1}(z)$  and apply  $\pi_W : W \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi(W)$  to find  $\pi_V(z) = \pi_W(z')$ . This implies  $\pi(z) = \pi(z')$ , so there exists a  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  with  $z' = z + \lambda$ . Hence:  $\pi_W^{-1} \circ (\pi_V^{-1})^{-1}(z) = z + \lambda$ .

**Conclusion:** Transition functions are translations by elements in  $\Lambda$  for any choice of  $V$  and  $W$ . In particular, they are holomorphic and  $A^{(n)}$  is a complex manifold.

**Note.**  $\pi : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow A^{(n)}$  is holomorphic. Indeed, restricting  $\pi$  to the sets  $V$  where it is a bijection yields  $\pi_V^{-1} \circ \pi_V \circ \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}^n} = \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}^n}$ .

**Remark** (Sheaves on  $A^{(n)}$ ). The sheaf of regular functions on  $A^{(n)}$  is given by

$$U \mapsto \mathcal{O}_{A^{(n)}}(U) = \{f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^n}(\pi^{-1}(U)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f(z + \lambda) = f(z) \forall z \in \pi^{-1}(U), \forall \lambda \in \Lambda\} \quad (24)$$

The relation with  $F : U \subseteq A^{(n)} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is given by  $F(\pi(z)) = f(z)$ . Sometimes, these functions are called  $\Lambda$ -periodic functions.

### 3.3 Complex Submanifolds

**Definition 20** (Complex Submanifold). A *complex submanifold* of a complex manifold  $X$  with  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$  is a subset  $Y \subseteq X$  such that  $\forall a \in Y$  there exists a local complex chart  $(U, \varphi = (z_1, \dots, z_n))$  of  $X$ , called the *preferred chart*, with  $\varphi(a) = 0$  and

$$\varphi(U \cap Y) = \{u \in \varphi(U) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n : u_{k+1} = \dots = u_n = 0\} \quad (25)$$

Alternatively, there exists a holomorphic atlas for  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$  such that  $\varphi_\alpha|_{U_\alpha \cap Y} : U_\alpha \cap Y \xrightarrow{\cong} \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \cap \mathbb{C}^k$  where  $\mathbb{C}^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $(z_1, \dots, z_k) \mapsto (z_1, \dots, z_n, 0, \dots, 0)$ .

Note that  $\text{codim}_X Y = \dim X - \dim Y = n - k$ .

**Note.** A complex submanifold is itself a complex manifold of dimension  $k$ . If  $(U, \varphi)$  is a preferred chart, one obtains a complex chart as above by using  $(U \cap Y, \varphi|_{U \cap Y})$ . Note that the compatibility of these charts follows from those of  $X$ .

**Note.** We now want to provide methods to obtain complex submanifolds and we will see that, on a very general ground, there are two such possibilities to do so:

- 1) The preimage of a point via a "sufficiently regular" map is a submanifold.
- 2) Under strong conditions, the image  $\varphi(X)$  of a map  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$  is an embedded submanifold of  $Y$ . This means that  $\varphi(X) \subseteq Y$  in some "non-singular" way.

**Theorem 15** (Preimage Manifold). *Let  $\varphi : X^{(n)} \rightarrow Y^{(m)}$  be a holomorphic map between complex manifolds with  $n > m$  and let  $b \in \varphi(X^n) \subseteq Y^{(m)}$  be such that the rank of  $\varphi$  is maximal, i.e.  $\text{rank}(J_{\mathbb{C}}\varphi) = m$  for all  $a \in \varphi^{-1}(b)$ . Then  $\varphi^{-1}(b)$  is a complex submanifold of dimension  $n - m$ .*

**Theorem 16** (Embedded Manifold). *Let  $\varphi : Y \hookrightarrow X$  be an injective holomorphic map with  $m = \dim Y$ ,  $\dim X = n$  and  $m \leq n$  such that  $\varphi$  has maximal rank  $m$  on all  $Y$ . If  $Y$  is compact, then  $\varphi(Y)$  is a submanifold of  $X$  and  $\varphi : Y \rightarrow \varphi(Y) \subseteq X$  is a holomorphic map. We say that  $\varphi(Y)$  is isomorphic to  $Y$  and  $\varphi$  is an embedding of complex manifolds.*

We will now look at some examples which are characterised by the fact that the submanifold is embedded into some  $\mathbb{P}^n$ :

**Example 4** (Veronese Map). Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_d : \mathbb{P}^n &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^m \\ [x_0 : \cdots : x_n] &\longmapsto [x_0^d : x_0^{d-1}x_1 : \cdots : x_n] \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

with  $m := \binom{n+d}{n} - 1$ . It maps  $[x_0 : \cdots : x_n]$  in all possible monomials in  $d$  variables of degree  $d$ . The case  $n = 1$  corresponding to  $\varphi_d(\mathbb{P}^1)$  is called *rational normal curve*.

Example: The *twisted cubic curve*:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_3 : \mathbb{P}^1 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3 \\ [s, t] &\longmapsto [s^3 : s^2t : st^2 : t^3] \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

**Example 5** (Segre Map). Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{n,m} : \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \\ ([x_0 : \cdots : x_n], [y_0 : \cdots : y_m]) &\longmapsto [x_0y_0 : x_0y_1 : \cdots : x_iy_{j-1} : x_iy_j : \cdots : x_ny_m] \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Example: The *quadric* (in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1,1} : \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3 \\ ([s, t], [u, v]) &\longmapsto [su : sv : tu : tv] \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

**Example 6** (Complete Intersections). We let  $f$  be a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $d$ , i.e.  $f(tx) = t^d f(x) \forall t \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then:

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(tx) = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(tx_i)x_i = d \cdot t^{d-1} f(x) \stackrel{t=1}{=} \sum_{i=0}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(x) = d \cdot f,$$

the *Euler equation*.

**Theorem 17** (Complete Intersections). *Let  $f_1, \dots, f_m \in \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  be homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m$  for some  $m < n$ . We have the projective algebraic set*

$$Y := \{x \in \mathbb{P}^n : f_1(x) = \cdots = f_m(x) = 0\}. \quad (30)$$

*Then, if  $\text{rank}(\partial_{x_k} f_j) = m \forall x \in Y, \forall k = 0, \dots, n, \forall j = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $Y$  is a complex submanifold of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  which is compact of dimension  $n - m$ . We call  $Y$  a complete intersection.*

**Note.** This realises complex (sub)manifolds as the zero locus of homogeneous polynomials in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ .



**Example 7** (Conic in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  as a Complete Intersection). Consider

$$Y := \{[x_0 : x_1 : x_2] : P(x) = x_0x_2 - x_1^2 = 0\} \quad (31)$$

with a homogeneous polynomial  $P$  of degree 2. We want to show that  $Y$  is a complex submanifold of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  of dimension 1 as a complete intersection of degree 2 in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ . This means that we need to show that  $\text{rank}(\partial_x P) = 1$ :

$$v = \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_0}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_2} \right) = (x_2, -2x_1, x_0) \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow x_0 = x_1 = x_2 = 0$$

As  $0 \notin \mathbb{P}^2$ , it follows that  $\text{rank}(\partial_x P) = 1$ .

Complete Intersection and Veronese map  $\varphi_2(\mathbb{P}^1)$ : (degree 2 *rational normal curve*) Actually, the above complete intersection is isomorphic to the Veronese variety

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_2 : \mathbb{P}^1 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2 \\ [s : t] &\longmapsto [s^2 : st : t^2] \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

- $\varphi_2(\mathbb{P}^1) \subseteq Y$ : Indeed,  $P(s^2, st, t^2) = s^2t^2 - s^2 - t^2 = 0$ .
- $Y \subseteq \varphi_2(\mathbb{P}^1)$ : Consider  $[x_0 : x_1 : x_2] \in Y$ . We suppose  $x_0 \neq 0$  so that we assume  $[1 : x_1 : x_2]$ : we have  $x_2 = x_1^2$  so that  $x = [1 : x_1 : x_1^2]$ , but  $[1 : x_1 : x_1^2] = \varphi_2([1 : x_1])$ . Now, suppose  $x_0 = 0$  which implies  $x_1 = 0$  so that one has  $x = [0 : 0 : x_2]$ . But then:  $[0 : 0 : x_2] = [0 : 0 : 1] = \varphi_2([0 : 1])$ .

Thus:  $Y \cong \mathbb{P}^1$ .

**Example 8** (Quadrics in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  and Segre Map). Similarly as above, one can show that

$$\sigma_{1,1}(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1) \cong \left\{ x \in \mathbb{P}^3 : \det \begin{pmatrix} x_0 & x_1 \\ x_2 & x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \right\} \cong \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3 \quad (33)$$

N.B.: On the other hand,  $\varphi_3(\mathbb{P}^1)$  (*twisted cubic curve*) is **not** a complete intersection!

**Theorem 18.** 1) Any (smooth) conic in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

2) Any (smooth) quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ .

### 3.4 Submanifolds and Sheaves: Ideal Sheaves

Any sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $Y \xrightarrow{i} X$  can be considered as a sheaf on  $X$ : The push-forward or *direct image sheaf*:

$$\begin{aligned} i_* : \underline{\text{Sh}}(Y) &\longrightarrow \underline{\text{Sh}}(X) \\ \mathcal{F} &\longmapsto i_*\mathcal{F} \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

where we define  $X \supseteq U \mapsto i_*\mathcal{F}(U) := \mathcal{F}(i^{-1}(U))$  ( $i^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $Y$ ). If  $\varphi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  on  $Y$ , then  $i_*(\varphi) : i_*\mathcal{F} \rightarrow i_*\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf morphism on  $X$ . This means that a  $\mathcal{O}_Y$ -sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  can be looked at as a  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -sheaf supported on  $Y$ .

Further, the restriction of holomorphic functions yields a natural surjection:  $i^\# : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow i\mathcal{O}_Y$  (this is seen as a sheaf on  $X$ , it is simply denoted as  $\mathcal{O}_Y$ ).

It follows that one has a short exact sequence of sheaves (on  $X$ ), the *structure sheaf sequence*:

$$0 \longrightarrow I_Y \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{i^\#} \mathcal{O}_Y \longrightarrow 0 \quad (35)$$

The sheaf  $I_Y$  is called *ideal sheaf*:

$$X \supseteq U \longmapsto I_Y(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is holomorphic and vanishing on } Y \subseteq X\} \quad (36)$$

This is the way one looks at submanifolds on a sheaf-theoretical ground.

## 4 Vector Bundles and Line Bundles

### 4.1 Bundles, Sections and Adjunction

**Definition 21** (Holomorphic Vector Bundle). A *holomorphic vector bundle* of rank  $r$  on a complex manifold  $X$  is a complex manifold  $E$  together with a surjective holomorphic map  $\pi : E \rightarrow X$  such that

- 1) Each *fibre*  $E_x := \pi^{-1}(x)$  is a complex vector space of dimension  $n$ .
- 2) There exists an open covering  $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha$  and a family of bi-holomorphisms called *local trivialisations*

$$\psi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \xrightarrow{\cong} U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r \quad (37)$$

such that they are linear isomorphisms on the fibers and the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\psi_\alpha} & U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r \\ & \searrow \pi & \downarrow p_1 \\ & & U_\alpha \end{array}$$

**Remark** (Transition Functions). We can look at the transition functions between the local trivialisations:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\alpha \circ \psi_\beta^{-1} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{C}^r &\longrightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{C}^r \\ (x, v) &\longmapsto (x, g_{\alpha\beta}(x)v) \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

**Remark** (Important!). The map  $x \mapsto g_{\alpha\beta}(x)$  is holomorphic and one has  $g_{\alpha\beta}(x) \in \text{GL}(r, \mathbb{C})$ , together with



**Remark.** Conversely, going in the other direction, a collection of local sections  $s_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^r$  determines uniquely a “global” section  $s : U \rightarrow E$ . Indeed,  $s(x) = \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, s_\alpha(x))$  and this is independent of the chart:

$$\psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, s_\alpha(x)) = \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, g_{\alpha\beta}(x)s_\beta(x)) = \psi_\alpha^{-1} \circ (\psi_\alpha \circ \psi_\beta^{-1}(x, s_\beta(x))) = \psi_\beta^{-1}(x, s_\beta(x))$$

Local Description of  $S : U \rightarrow E$ :

$$s \longleftrightarrow \{U_\alpha, s_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^r, s_\alpha(x) = g_{\alpha\beta}(x)s_\beta(x)\} \quad (40)$$

Now, we discuss some examples of holomorphic vector bundles:

**Example 9** (Tangent Bundle). The *tangent bundle* is defined as

$$TX := \coprod_{a \in X} T_a X, \quad v_a \xrightarrow{\pi} a \quad (41)$$

and the transition functions are given by  $g_{\alpha\beta} = (J^{-1}(z_\alpha \circ z_\beta^{-1}))^t$ , whereas the sections are vector fields:  $X(a) = \sum_i X^i(a) \partial_{x_i} \big|_a \in \Gamma(U, TX)$

**Example 10** (Cotangent Bundle). The *cotangent bundle* is defined as

$$\Omega_X^1 := \text{hom}(TX, X \times \mathbb{C}) = T^*X \quad (42)$$

and is dual to the tangent bundle. Its transition functions are given by  $g_{\alpha\beta} = J(z_\alpha \circ z_\beta^{-1})$  and the sections are holomorphic 1-forms:  $\omega(a) = \sum_i \omega_i(x) dx^i \big|_a$

**Remark.** We have

$$(E \longleftrightarrow (U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta})) \iff (E^* \longleftrightarrow (U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}^t)^{-1}). \quad (43)$$

Also, we can take direct sums  $E \oplus F$ , tensor products  $E \otimes F$ , exterior products, etc. to construct new vector bundles.

This leads to a last example:

**Example 11** (Canonical Bundle). The *canonical bundle* is defined via the determinant:

$$K_X := \det(\Omega_X^1) = \bigwedge^{\dim(X)} \Omega_X^1 \quad (44)$$

It is a *line bundle*, that is a vector bundle of rank one.

**Definition 23** (Morphism of Vector Bundles). For vector bundles  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow X$  of rank  $r$  and  $\pi_F : F \rightarrow X$  of rank  $k$ , a map  $\Phi : E \rightarrow F$  is called a morphism of vector bundles if

- 1) it commutes with the projections:  $\pi_F \circ \Phi = \pi_E$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & F \\ & \searrow \pi_E & \swarrow \pi_F \\ & & X \end{array}$$

2) it is linear on the fibers:  $\Phi_X : E_X \rightarrow F_X$  is linear,

3) it has constant rank:  $\text{rank } \Phi_X$  does not depend on  $x \in X$ .

Local Representation of Morphisms: It follows that we have a map  $(x, v) \mapsto (x, \Phi_\alpha(x)v)$  with  $\Phi_\alpha :$

$$U_\alpha \rightarrow \text{Mat}(l \times r, \mathbb{C}), \text{ giving the local representation. We have } \begin{array}{ccc} E|_{U_\alpha} & \xrightarrow{\Phi|_{U_\alpha}} & F|_{U_\alpha} \\ \downarrow \psi_\alpha & & \downarrow \psi_\alpha \\ U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r & \xrightarrow{\Phi_\alpha} & U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^l \end{array},$$

where  $\Phi_\alpha$  acts as the identity on the first component and is linear on the second component.

Change of Trivialisation: Just like before, one has

$$\begin{cases} \Phi(x) = \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, \Phi_\alpha(x)v) \\ \varphi_\alpha(\Phi(x)) = (x, \Phi_\alpha(x)v) \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (x, \Phi_\alpha(x)v) &= \varphi_\alpha \circ \Phi \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, v) = \varphi_\alpha \circ (\varphi_\beta^{-1} \circ \varphi_\beta) \circ \Phi \circ (\psi_\beta^{-1} \circ \psi_\beta) \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, v) \\ &= \varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1} \circ (\varphi_\beta \circ \Phi \circ \psi_\beta^{-1}) \circ \psi_\beta \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, v) \\ &= \varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1} \circ (x, \Phi_\beta(x) \circ g_{\beta\alpha}(x)v) \\ &= (x, h_{\alpha\beta}(x) \circ \Phi_\beta(x) \circ g_{\beta\alpha}(x)v), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\Phi : E \rightarrow F \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \Phi_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow \text{Mat}(r \times l, \mathbb{C}) : \Phi_\alpha(x) = \underbrace{h_{\alpha\beta}(x)}_F \Phi_\beta(x) \underbrace{g_{\beta\alpha}(x)}_E \right\}.$$

Note that this is just the "change of basis" of a matrix:  $\Phi' = h\Phi g^{-1}$

**Remark (Injective Morphisms).** The map  $\Phi : E \hookrightarrow F$  (with  $\text{rank } E = r \leq l = \text{rank } F$ ) is injective if it behaves like an inclusion, i.e. there exist trivialisations such that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_\alpha \circ \Phi \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1} : U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r &\longrightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^l \\ (x, (v_1, \dots, v_r)) &\longmapsto (x, (v_1, \dots, v_r, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{l-r})). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

For  $\Phi$  injective one can write "nice" transition functions,

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_{\alpha\beta}(x) & \vdots & * \\ \hline * & \vdots & h_{\alpha\beta}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  is the transition function of  $E$  and  $h_{\alpha\beta}$  is the transition function of  $F$ .

The above situation is represented by a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow E \xrightarrow[\text{injective}]{i} F \xrightarrow[\text{surjective}]{\pi} F/E \longrightarrow 0 \quad (46)$$

with  $\text{Im}(i) = \ker(\pi)$ .

**Definition 24** (Pull-back Bundle). Let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be holomorphic and  $E \leftrightarrow (U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta})$  be a vector bundle on  $X$ . Then  $f$  induces a fiber bundle on  $Y$  by composition, given by  $f^*E \leftrightarrow (f^{-1}(U_\alpha), g_{\alpha\beta} \circ f)$ . This is the *pull-back bundle*. Note that  $E_{f(x)} = f^*E_x$ .

Regarding submanifolds, for the inclusion  $i : Y \hookrightarrow X$ , we write  $E|_Y := i^*E$  and note that  $E|_Y \leftrightarrow (Y \cap U_\alpha, g_{\alpha\beta}|_{U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap Y})$ .

**Definition 25** (Normal Bundle). For an inclusion  $i : Y \hookrightarrow X$ , consider  $TX|_Y := i^*TX$ . Then the *normal bundle* is given by  $\mathcal{N}_{Y/X} := TX|_Y/TY$ . Alternatively, one can look at an short exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow TY \xrightarrow{d_i} TX|_Y \longrightarrow TX|_Y/TY \longrightarrow 0 \quad (47)$$

**Theorem 19** (Adjunction Formula). *Let  $Y \hookrightarrow X$  be a complex submanifold. Then*

$$K_Y \cong K_X|_Y \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \det \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}. \quad (48)$$

*Proof.* Just take the determinant of the normal bundle sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \longrightarrow TY \longrightarrow TX|_Y \longrightarrow \mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \longrightarrow 0 \\ \implies \det(TX|_Y) \cong \det(TY) \otimes \det(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\det(TX|_Y) = \det(TX)|_Y$  as  $\det(g_{\alpha\beta}|_Y) = \det(g_{\alpha\beta})|_Y$ . Taking the dual yields  $K_X|_Y \cong K_Y \otimes \det(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X})^*$ . It follows that  $K_Y \cong K_X|_Y \otimes \det(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X})$ .  $\square$

Analogously, consider the dual of the normal bundle exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}^* \longrightarrow T^*X|_Y \longrightarrow T^*Y \longrightarrow 0$$

This is the *canonical exact sequence*.

**Remark.** Later, we will see a special case of this for codimension one hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ .

We will now see the relation between vector bundles and sheaves:

## 4.2 The Relation of Holomorphic Vector Bundles and (locally free) Sheaves

**Definition 26** (Sheaf of Sections of "E). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow X$  be a holomorphic vector bundle. We define the *sheaf of sections* of  $E$ :

$$U \longmapsto \mathcal{E}(U) := \{s : U \longrightarrow \pi^{-1}(E) : \pi \circ s = \text{id}, s \text{ is holomorphic}\} \quad (49)$$

It is a sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules (here,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is the sheaf of sections of the trivial bundle  $X \times \mathbb{C}$ ).

**Theorem 20.** *There exists a bijection between holomorphic vector bundles of rank  $r$  and locally free sheaves of rank  $r$ .*

"Proof". Remember that  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free of rank  $r$  if  $\mathcal{E}|_U \cong \mathcal{O}_X^{\oplus r}|_U$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free as  $E$  is locally isomorphic to  $U \times \mathbb{C}^r$ . Also, by choosing the trivialisation  $\psi_i : \mathcal{E}|_{U_i} \cong \mathcal{O}_{U_i}^{\oplus r}$ , the transition maps  $\psi_{ij} := \psi_i \circ \psi_j^{-1} : \mathcal{O}_{U_i \cap U_j}^{\oplus r} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{O}_{U_j \cap U_i}^{\oplus r}$  are given by a multiplication with a matrix of holomorphic functions on  $U_i \cap U_j$ . This constructs  $U \leftrightarrow (U_i, \psi_{ij})$ .  $\square$

## 5 Cohomology

Actually Čech cohomology.

### 5.1 Čech Cohomology

**Definition 27** (p-th Cochain). Let  $X$  be a topological space with an open covering  $U = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ . For  $q = 0, 1, \dots$  and a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  we define the  $q$ -th cochain group of  $\mathcal{F}$ :

$$\mathcal{C}^q(U, \mathcal{F}) := \prod_{\substack{(i_0, \dots, i_q) \in I^{q+1} \\ (i_1 < \dots < i_q)}} \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_q}) \quad (50)$$

The elements of  $\mathcal{C}^q(U, \mathcal{F})$  are called  $q$ -cochains: they are given by a family of section as follows:

$$(f_{i_0 \dots i_q})_{i_0, \dots, i_q \in I^{q+1}} : f_{i_0, \dots, i_q} \in \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_q}) \quad \forall (i_0, \dots, i_q) \in I^{q+1}, i_0 < \dots < i_q \quad (51)$$

**Note.**  $\mathcal{C}^q$  is indeed a group with component-wise addition.

**Definition 28** (q-Cohomology Operator). We define a cohomology operator on  $\mathcal{C}^q(U, \mathcal{F})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \delta : \mathcal{C}^q(U, \mathcal{F}) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^{q+1}(U, \mathcal{F}) \\ (f)_{i_0, \dots, i_q} &\longmapsto (\delta f)_{i_0, \dots, i_{q+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{q+1} (-1)^k f_{i_0 \dots \widehat{i}_k \dots i_{q+1}} \Big|_{U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_{q+1}}} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

(Use the restriction morphism of  $\mathcal{F}$ ). Note that  $f_{i_0 \dots \widehat{i}_k \dots i_{q+1}} \in \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap \widehat{U_{i_k}} \cap \dots \cap \widehat{U_{i_{q+1}}})$ , so we restrict to the intersection  $U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_{q+1}}$  as to get an element in  $\mathcal{F}(U_{i_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_{q+1}})$ .

We have  $\delta^2 = \delta \circ \delta = 0$ ,  $\delta$  is **nilpotent!**

**Example 12.** Consider  $\mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $\mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{F})$  and  $\delta$ . Explicitly, one has

$$\mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}(U_0) \times \mathcal{F}(U_1) \times \dots = \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}(U_i) \ni (f_i)_{i \in I}$$

$$\mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}(U_0 \cap U_1) \times \mathcal{F}(U_0 \cap U_2) \times \dots = \prod_{i, j \in I} \mathcal{F}(U_i \cap U_j) \ni (f_{ij})_{i, j \in I}$$

$$\delta^0 : \mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{F}) : \quad (\delta f)_{ij} = f_j|_{U_i \cap U_j} - f_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} \equiv g_{ij}$$

$$\delta^1 : \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^2(U, \mathcal{F}) : \quad (\delta f)_{ijk} = f_{jk}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} - f_{ik}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} + f_{ij}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} \equiv g_{ijk}$$

Note that one can easily verify the nilpotency in this case

$$(f_i) \xrightarrow{\delta^0} f_j - f_i \xrightarrow{\delta^1} (f_j - f_i) - (f_k - f_i) + (f_k - f_j) = 0,$$

so indeed  $\delta^1 \circ \delta^0 = 0$ .

**Definition 29** (q-Cocycles/q-Coboundaries). Since  $\delta$  is a group homomorphism, we define

- *q-cocycles*:  $Z^1(U, \mathcal{F}) := \ker(\delta : \mathcal{C}^q \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}+\infty})$
- *q-coboundaries*:  $B^q(U, \mathcal{F}) := \text{Im}(\delta : \mathcal{C}^{q-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^q)$

Note that since  $\delta^2 = 0$ , we have  $\alpha \in B^q \implies \alpha \in Z^{q+1}$ .

**Example 13.** Consider  $Z^0(U, \mathcal{F})$  and  $Z^1(U, \mathcal{F})$ . By the very definition one has

- (i)  $(f_i) \in Z^0 \Leftrightarrow (\delta f)_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j \Leftrightarrow f_j|_{U_i \cap U_j} = f_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}$ , so there exists an  $f \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ , a global section (compare with axiom 2) for sheaves).
- (ii)  $(f_{ij}) \in Z^1 \Leftrightarrow (\delta f)_{ijk} = 0 \forall i, j, k \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{f_{ik}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} = f_{ij}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} + f_{jk}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k}}_{\text{cocycle relations}}$

It follows that  $f_{ii} = 0$  (using  $i = j = k$ ) and  $f_{ij} = -f_{ji}$  (using  $i = k$ ).

Note that one can take the quotient as usual. This leads to:

**Definition 30** (q-(Čech) cohomology group). The *q-cohomology group* of  $\mathcal{F}$  with respect to the covering  $U$  is given by

$$H^q(U, \mathcal{F}) := Z^q(U, \mathcal{F}) / B^q(U, \mathcal{F}). \quad (53)$$

(Analogously  $\check{H}^q(U, \mathcal{F}) := h^q(\mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{F}))$ ).

**Remark** (A little philosophy). This cohomology theory is very suitable for computations and it does not require "acyclic" sheaves to be defined. The problem is that it depends on the covering: like in the definition of the stalk of a sheaf, one should take finer and finer coverings and pass to the limit  $\check{H}^q(X, \mathcal{F}) := \lim_{\rightarrow} \check{H}^q(U, \mathcal{F})$ . This cohomology theory coincides with the "true" sheaf cohomology if  $X$  is a "descent" topological space (e.g. it is paracompact). In this case  $H^q(X, \mathcal{F}) \cong \check{H}^q(X, \mathcal{F}) = \lim_{\rightarrow} \check{H}^q(U, \mathcal{F})$ .

The Meaning of Cohomology: We now consider cohomology groups in some details:

1.  $H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) = Z^0(X, \mathcal{F})$ : global sections of  $\mathcal{F}$ , i.e.  $H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}(X)$ . Note that  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \cong \mathbb{C}$  for  $X$  compact and connected. Also notice that it is independent of the covering.
2.  $H^{i>0}(X, \mathcal{F})$ : in order to see the meaning of the higher cohomology groups one should introduce (short) exact sequences of sheaves! We first recall the following facts:



Let  $\varphi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves. Then:

(i)  $\ker(\varphi) := \{U \mapsto \ker(\varphi)(U) := \ker(\varphi_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U))\}$ , a sheaf!

(ii)  $\text{Im}(\varphi) := \{U \mapsto \text{Im}(\varphi)(U) := \text{Im}(\varphi_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U))\}$ , not a sheaf!

$\text{Im}(\varphi)$  and  $\text{coker}(\varphi)$  are only presheaves in general: we consider their (sheafified) "associated" sheaf.

## 5.2 Exact Sequences of Sheaves

**Definition 31** (Exact sequence (of sheaves)). Let  $\varphi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves on  $X$  and let  $\varphi_x : \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_x$  be the induced morphism on the stalks. Then a sequence of sheaves

$$\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{H} \quad (54)$$

is called *exact* if for each  $x \in X$ , the sequence  $\mathcal{F}_x \xrightarrow{\alpha_x} \mathcal{G}_x \xrightarrow{\beta_x} \mathcal{H}_x$  is exact, i.e. if  $\text{Im}(\alpha_x) = \ker(\beta_x)$ .

In particular, we say that  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is *injective* or a *monomorphism* if  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G}$  is exact ( $\ker(\alpha_x) = 0 \forall x \in X$ ). We say that  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is *surjective* or an *epimorphism* if  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$  is exact ( $\text{Im}(\alpha_x) = \mathcal{G}_x \forall x \in X$ ).

An exact sequence of the form

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \rightarrow 0 \quad (55)$$

is called a *short exact sequence*.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be injective. Then for every  $U \subseteq X$   $\alpha_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  is injective. In particular, then  $\alpha(X) : \mathcal{F}(X) = H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(X) = H^0(X, \mathcal{G})$  is injective, too.*

*Proof.* We let  $f \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  with  $\alpha_U(f) = 0$ . We want to show that  $f = 0$ . Since  $\alpha_x : \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_x$  is injective for all  $x \in X$ , every  $x \in U$  has a neighbourhood  $V_x \subseteq U$  s.t.  $f|_{V_x} = 0$ , but then by (sheaf) axiom 1 (local identity)  $f = 0$  in  $U$ . Hence,  $\alpha_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  is injective.  $\square$

Warning: If  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G}$  is surjective, it is not necessarily true that  $\alpha_U : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  is surjective for all  $U \subseteq X$ !

**Example 14.** Consider  $X = \mathbb{C}^*$  with

$$\exp : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^*, \quad f \mapsto \exp(2\pi i f). \quad (56)$$

Let  $U_1 = \mathbb{C}^* \setminus \mathbb{R}_-$  and  $U_2 = \mathbb{C}^* \setminus \mathbb{R}_+$  and prove that it is surjective. Then the positive axes can be seen as two possible *branch cuts* in  $\mathbb{C}^*$  but these cannot be crossed locally in  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  (they are simply connected), so the *complex logarithm* is a single valued well-defined function: We define  $U_\alpha \supseteq U_1 \mapsto \log_U \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(U), \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}(U))$  with  $f \mapsto \log_U(f) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log_U(f)$ . In particular, posing

$f_i \equiv \log_{U_i}(g_i)$  for  $g_i \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(U)$ , we have  $\exp_{U_i}(f_i) = g_i$ . Then  $\exp$  is locally surjective, i.e.  $\forall U \subseteq X$  and  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(U)$ , there exists  $x \in U$  and  $V_x \subseteq U$  such that  $f|_{V_x}$  admits a preimage with respect to  $\exp_{V_x} \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}(V_x), \mathcal{O}^*(V_x))$ : this implies surjectivity at the level of the stalks, indeed if  $g_x \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*,x}^*$  for some  $x \in U_i$ , then we represent  $g_x$  by  $g \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(V_x)$  with  $V_x \subseteq U_i$  but since  $\exp_{V_x}$  is surjective then there exists  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}(V_x)$  such that  $g = \exp_{V_x}(f)$ . It follows that  $g_x = (\exp_{V_x}(f))_x = \exp_x(f_x)$  which concludes the verification.

On the other hand consider the function  $z \mapsto f(z) = z \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(\mathbb{C}^*)$ : Then, there is no  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^*}(\mathbb{C}^*)$  such that  $z = \exp_{\mathbb{C}^*}(f)$  because  $\log_{\mathbb{C}^*}(z)$  is not single valued!

**Lemma 4.** *If  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{H}$  is exact, then  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U) \xrightarrow{\alpha_U} \mathcal{G}(U) \xrightarrow{\beta_U} \mathcal{H}(U)$  is exact for all  $U \in X$ .*

*Proof.* We have already proved that  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  is exact. We need to prove that  $\text{Im}(\alpha_U) = \ker(\beta_U)$ .

1.  $\text{Im}(\alpha_U) \subseteq \ker(\beta_U)$ : Let  $f \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  and let  $g = \alpha_U(f) \in \text{Im}(\alpha_U)$ . Since the sequence  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_x$  is exact for all  $x \in X$ , then each point  $x$  has a neighborhood  $V_x \subseteq U$  such that  $\beta_U(g)|_{V_x} = 0$  by exactness. Then, by sheaf axiom (I) one has that  $\beta_U(g) = 0$  and hence  $g \in \ker(\beta_U)$ .
2.  $\text{Im}(\alpha_U) \supseteq \ker(\beta_U)$ : Suppose  $g \in \mathcal{G}(U)$  such that  $\beta_U(g) = 0$ , i.e.  $g \in \ker(\beta_U)$ . Since for all  $x \in X$   $\ker(\beta_x) = \text{Im}(\alpha_x)$ , then there is an open cover  $U = \bigcup_l V_l$  and elements  $f_l \in \mathcal{F}(V_l)$  such that  $\alpha_{V_l}(f_l) = g|_{V_l}$ . Then, in  $V_l \cap V_j$  one has  $\alpha_{V_l \cap V_j}(f_l - f_j) = g|_{V_l \cap V_j} - g|_{V_l \cap V_j} = 0$ , hence since  $\alpha$  is injective  $f_l = f_j$  for all  $i, j$  on  $V_l \cap V_j$ . Then it follows from sheaf axiom (II) that there exists  $f \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  with  $f|_{V_i} = f_i \forall i$ . Then, since  $\alpha_U(f)|_{V_i} = \alpha_U(f|_{V_i}) = g|_{V_i}$ , sheaf axiom (I) implies that  $\alpha(f) = g$ .

□

**Remark** (Global Sections Functor). Given a (complex) manifold one can define a functor as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (\cdot)(X) : \text{Sh}_X &\longrightarrow \text{Ab}, \\ \mathcal{F} &\longmapsto \mathcal{F}(X) \end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

This functor is left exact/preserves injectivities but it is not right exact: it does not preserve surjectivities:

$$[0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \rightarrow 0] \longmapsto [0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(X) \rightarrow ?]$$

In general sheaf cohomology quantifies the failure for this functor to be exact: Čech cohomology is a way to compute sheaf cohomology. The problems with surjectivity come from examples such as those of  $\exp : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^*$ .

We now study this in the framework of Čech cohomology.

**Remark** (Induced Morphisms in Cohomology). Let us consider  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ . Then we have corresponding morphisms in cohomology:  $\alpha^q : H^q(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H^q(X, \mathcal{G})$ .

$q = 0$ : One simply has  $\alpha^0 : \mathcal{F}(X) = H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(X) = H^0(X, \mathcal{G})$ .

$q = 1$ : Let  $\{U_i\} = 0$  be a covering  $\bigcup_i U_i = X$ . We consider  $\alpha_U : \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{G})$  such that  $(f_{ij}) \mapsto \alpha_U(f_{ij}) := (\alpha_{U_i \cap U_j}(f_{ij}))_{i,j} \in \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{G})$ . The map takes cocycles in cocycles and coboundaries in coboundaries, hence it descends in cohomology:  $\alpha_U \mapsto [\alpha_U] : H^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H^1(U, \mathcal{G})$ . As usual, taking the limit over  $U$  one gets  $\alpha^1 : H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{G})$ .

$q > 1$ : Exactly the same way!

Construction: “Connecting Homomorphism”: Suppose we have

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow 0. \quad (58)$$

Then we can construct a map  $\delta^0 : H^0(X, \mathcal{H}) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{F})$  as follows:

1.  $h \in H^0(X, \mathcal{H})$ : Since  $\beta_x : \mathcal{G}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_x$  is surjective there exists a covering  $U = \{U_i\}$  such that  $X = \bigcup_i U_i$  and  $(g_i) \in \mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{G})$  with  $\beta(g_i) = h|_{U_i}$  for all  $i$ .
2. Then  $\beta(g_j - g_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}) = h|_{U_i \cap U_j} - h|_{U_i \cap U_j} = 0$  (so  $\beta(\delta g) = 0$ ) which implies  $g_j - g_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} \in \ker \beta$ .
3. By exactness  $\ker_U \beta = \text{Im}_U \alpha$  and the previous lemma one has that there exists  $f_{ij} \in \mathcal{F}(U_i \cap U_j)$  such that  $\alpha_{U_i \cap U_j}(f_{ij}) = g_j - g_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}$ .
4. On  $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$  one has  $\alpha_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k}(f_{ij} - f_{ik} + f_{jk}) = g_j - g_i - g_k + g_i + g_k - g_j = 0$ . Then, by injectivity of  $\alpha$  we have  $f_{ij} - f_{ik} + f_{jk}|_{U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k} = 0$  and hence  $(f_{ij})_{i,j \in I} \in Z^1(U, \mathcal{F})$ .
5. We can then define  $h \mapsto \delta h \in H^1(X, \mathcal{F})$  where  $\delta h$  is represented by  $(f_{ij})$  constructed as above.

All higher  $\delta^{i>0} : H^i(X, \mathcal{H}) \rightarrow H^{i+1}(X, \mathcal{F})$  can be constructed analogously!

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}^0(U, \mathcal{G}) \ni & (g_i) & \xrightarrow{\beta} h \in H^1(U, \mathcal{H}) \\ & \downarrow \delta & \\ H^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \ni (f_{ij}) & \xrightarrow{\alpha} \alpha(f_{ij}) & \in \mathcal{C}^1(U, \mathcal{G}) \end{array}$$

Figure 1: Summary of the maps defining  $h \mapsto \delta^0 h$ . Note that  $\alpha$  is surjective and  $\beta$  is injective.

The connecting homomorphism enters in the following fundamental result:

**Theorem 21** (Snake Lemma). *A short exact sequence of sheaves*

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (59)$$

*implies a long exact sequence in cohomology via the connecting homomorphism:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & H^0(X, \mathcal{G}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_0} & H^0(X, \mathcal{H}) \\
 & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow \\
 & & H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & H^1(X, \mathcal{G}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} & H^1(X, \mathcal{H}) \\
 & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow \\
 & & H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} & H^1(X, \mathcal{G}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_2} & H^1(X, \mathcal{H}) \dots
 \end{array}$$

*Proof.* We only prove the exactness at  $H^0(X, \mathcal{H})$ :

- $\text{Im } \beta_0 \subseteq \ker \delta^0$ : Suppose  $g \in H^0(X, \mathcal{G})$  and  $h := \beta_0(g)$ . In the construction of  $\delta^0 h$  we can use  $g_i = g|_{U_i}$ . But then, since  $g$  is a global section,  $\delta^0 g = 0$  which implies  $\alpha(f_{ij}) = \delta g = 0$  by construction. But since  $\alpha$  is injective, we have  $f_{ij} = 0$ . It follows that  $\delta^0(\beta_0(g)) = [f_{ij}] = 0$ .

This is the picture:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 g & \longmapsto & \beta(g) \\
 \downarrow \delta & & \\
 0 & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \delta g
 \end{array}$$

- $\ker \delta^0 \subseteq \text{Im } \beta_0$ : Suppose  $\delta^0$ . Then  $\delta^0[h_i] = [f_{ij}] = 0$  and therefore  $f_{ij} \in \beta_1(U, \mathcal{F})$  and hence  $f_{ij} = \delta^0 f_i = f_j - f_i$ . Let us consider  $\beta(g_i) = h|_{U_i}$  in the construction of  $\delta^0$  with  $\delta^0 g_i = \alpha(f_{ij})$ . Then  $\delta^0(g_i - \alpha(f_i)) = 0$ . Indeed:

$$\delta(g_i - \alpha(f_i)) = \alpha(f_{ij}) - \delta_0 \alpha(f_i) = \alpha(f_{ij}) - (\alpha(f_j) - \alpha(f_i)) = \alpha(f_{ij}) - \alpha(f_{ij}) = 0$$

and thus  $g_i - \alpha(f_i) \in Z^0(U, \mathcal{G})$ . Also:  $\beta(g_i - \alpha(f_i)) = \beta(g_i) - \beta(\alpha(f_i)) = \beta(g_i) = h|_{U_i}$  which finally

implies  $h \in \text{Im}(\beta_0)$ . Diagrammatically:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f_1 & & g \xrightarrow{\beta} h \\
 \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \delta \\
 f & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \delta g
 \end{array}$$

□

## 6 First Applications of Cohomology

In this section, we study some examples.

### 6.1 Exponential Exact Sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_X \xrightarrow{i} \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{\exp} \mathcal{O}_X^* \longrightarrow 1$$

Let us consider the long exact cohomology sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(X, \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*) \longrightarrow H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow \dots$$

Note:

1.  $\check{H}^i(X, \mathbb{Z}_X) \cong H_{\text{sing}}^i(X, \mathbb{Z})$ . (This is true also more in general...). This means that the part “ $\mathbb{Z}_X$ ” takes care about the topology of  $X$ !

2. If  $X$  is compact, then  $H^1(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_X)$  is injective, so that one has two exact sequences: First:

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(\mathbb{Z}_X) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X^*) \rightarrow 0$$

If  $X$  is also connected, then  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \cong \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$ . Second:

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{Z}_X) \rightarrow \underbrace{H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_X^*) \cong \text{Pic}(X)}_{\text{interesting part}} \xrightarrow{\delta} H^2(\mathbb{Z}_X) \rightarrow \dots$$

**Definition 32** (First Chern Class). The *first Chern class* of a holomorphic line bundle  $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$  is the image in  $H^2(\mathbb{Z}_X)$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  via the boundary map, i.e.  $\mathcal{C}_1(\mathcal{L}) := \delta^1([g_{ij}]) \in H^2(\mathbb{Z}_X)$  where  $[g_{ij}] \in H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \cong \text{Pic}(X)$ .

This is the most important characteristic class of a holomorphic line bundle.

**Example 15** ( $\mathbb{P}^n$  and Exponential Exact Sequence). Remember that

$$H^i(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i = 2n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

. Now

1.  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow 0$ ,

2.  $0 \rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathbb{Z}) \cong 0 \rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_X) \cong 0 \rightarrow \text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^n) \xrightarrow{\delta^1} H^2(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$ .

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{deg} : \text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^n) &\xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z} \\ [\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)] &\longmapsto k \end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

**Remark** (Cohomology of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)$ ). The previous result suggests that one can study the cohomology of the line bundles  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)$  for any  $n > 0$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . This is achieved by Čech cohomology computations using the standard covering of  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . Let us see a couple of examples over  $\mathbb{P}^1$ :

1.  $H^0(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2))$ : Recall that  $U_0 = \{[x_0 : x_1] \mid x_0 \neq 0\}$  and we set  $z := \frac{x_1}{x_0}$  the corresponding local coordinate on  $U_0$ . A generic section of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2)|_{U_0}$  will be of the form  $s_0 = f(z) e_{U_0}$  where  $f : U_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a holomorphic function and  $e_{U_0}$  is a local basis of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2)$ . Similarly, a generic

section of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2)|_{U_1}$  will be  $s_1 = g(w) e_{U_1}$  (with  $w = \frac{1}{z}$ ). In the intersection  $U_0 \cap U_1 = \{[x_0 : x_1] \mid x_0 \neq 0 \neq x_1\}$  one has  $e_{U_1} = z^2 e_{U_0}$  so that if  $s_i \equiv (s_0, s_1)$  is a 0-cochain  $\mathcal{C}^0(\{U_0, U_1\}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2))$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \stackrel{!}{=} (\delta s)_{01} &= s_1 - s_0|_{U_0 \cap U_1} = g(w) e_{U_1} - f(z) e_{U_0} = g(w) e_{U_1} - f\left(\frac{1}{w}\right) w^2 e_{U_1} \\ &= \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} g_l w^l - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j w^{-j+2} \right) e_{U_1} \\ &= \left( (g_0 - f_2) + (g_1 - f_1)w + (g_2 - f_0)w^2 \right) + \sum_{l>2} g_l w^l + \sum_{j>2} f_j w^{-l} \end{aligned}$$

so every coefficient has to vanish separately:

$$\begin{aligned} s \in H^0(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2)) &\iff s = (a + bz + cz^2, c + bw + aw^2) \\ &\iff s = \left( x_0^2 \left( a + b \frac{x_1}{x_0} + c \left( \frac{x_1}{x_0} \right)^2 \right), x_1^2 \left( c + b \frac{x_0}{x_1} + a \left( \frac{x_0}{x_1} \right)^2 \right) \right) \\ &\iff s = ax_0^2 + bx_0x_1 + cx_1^2 \end{aligned}$$

In other words  $s \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2))$  is a *homogeneous polynomial of degree 2!*

2.  $H^1(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-2))$ : Left as an exercise. One should find

$$H^1(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-2)) = \left\langle \frac{1}{x_0x_1} \right\rangle_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

In general, one can compute the dimensions of the cohomology groups for  $\mathbb{P}^n$ :

$$h^0(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) := \dim H^0(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) = \binom{k+n}{n} \quad (61)$$

for  $k \geq 0$  and

$$h^n(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) := \dim H^n(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) = \binom{-k-1}{-k-n-1} \quad (62)$$

for  $k \geq -n-1$ .

## 6.2 Euler Exact Sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(+1)^{\oplus n+1} \longrightarrow T_{\mathbb{P}^n} \longrightarrow 0$$

Let us again consider the long exact cohomology sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(+1))^{\oplus n+1} \cong (\mathbb{C}^{n+1})^{\oplus n+1} \longrightarrow H^0(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \equiv 0$$

That means we have

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{(n+1)^2} \rightarrow H^0(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \rightarrow 0 \implies H^0(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \mathbb{C}^{(n+1)^2-1}$$

Meaning: “Infinitesimal Automorphisms”:  $H^0(T_X)$  parameterises the infinitesimal automorphisms of  $X$ , in particular in the case of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  we have  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^n) = PSL(n, \mathbb{C})$  so that  $H^0(X, T_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \mathfrak{pgl}(n, \mathbb{C})$  (where  $\mathfrak{pgl}(n, \mathbb{C})$  is the Lie algebra.)

Going up in the long exact sequence we find  $H^{i>1}(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}) = 0$ . The remarkable case is given by  $H^1$ .

Meaning: “infinitesimal Deformations:”  $H^1(T_X)$  parameterises the infinitesimal deformations of  $X$ . In particular, in the case of  $\mathbb{P}^n$ , we find no deformations. In this case we say that the complex manifold is *rigid*.

**Remark.** One can understand the maps entering in the Euler exact sequence as follows:

1.  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(+1)^{\oplus n+1}$  with  $f \longmapsto (x_0f, x_1f, \dots, x_nf)$
2.  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus n+1}(+1) \longrightarrow T_{\mathbb{P}^n}$  with  $(s_0, \dots, s_n) \longmapsto \sum_{k=0}^n s_k \partial_{x_k}$

Exercise: Why is this exact?

### 6.3 Normal Exact Sequence and Adjunction

Recall the definitions of the pull-back bundle 24, the normal bundle 25 and the canonical bundle 11.

**Definition 33** (First Chern Class of a Complex Manifold). Let  $X$  be a complex manifold. Then we define the (*first*) *Chern class* of  $X$  to be  $\mathcal{C}_1(X) := \mathcal{C}_1(K_X)$  where  $K_X$  is the canonical bundle of  $X$ . Also  $\mathcal{C}_1(\wedge^n TX)$ .

Also recall the adjunction formula 19.

**Note.** 1. We want to study this for dimension 1 hypersurfaces  $Y$  in  $X$ , this means  $\dim Y = \dim X - 1$ .

2. In particular, we want to study codimension 1 hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ , these hypersurfaces are called *divisors*.

Fact: Hypersurfaces of codimension 1 are always given by the zero locus of a holomorphic global section of some line bundle (“divisor-line bundle correspondence”).

We recall the following facts for codimension 1 hypersurfaces:

1. If  $\dim Y = \dim X - 1$ , then if  $a \in Y$  there exists  $(U, z = (z_1, \dots, z_n))$  such that  $Y \cap U = \{x \in U \mid z_n(x) = 0\}$ .
2. A local equation for  $Y$  is a pair  $(U, f)$  with  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  holomorphic such that

- $Y \cap U = \{x \in U \mid f(x) = 0\}$ ,

- if  $g \in \mathcal{O}(U)$  and  $g(U \cap Y) = 0 \implies g = hf$  with  $h \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(U)$ .

**Lemma 5.**  $(U, z_n)$  is a local equation for  $Y$ .

3. If  $(U_\alpha, f_\alpha)$  and  $(U_\beta, f_\beta)$  are two local equations for  $Y \hookrightarrow X$ , then  $f_\alpha/f_\beta \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ . This allows to introduce a line bundle:  $\mathcal{L}_Y \xrightarrow{\pi} X$  such that given an open covering  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  of  $X$ , one has  $\mathcal{L}_Y \leftrightarrow (U_\alpha, f_\alpha/f_\beta)$ .

**Remark.**  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  does not depend on the choice of local equations for  $Y$ : indeed if one has  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_Y \leftrightarrow (U_\alpha, h_\alpha/h_\beta)$  for local equations  $h_\alpha = 0$ , then  $\Phi_\alpha := h_\alpha/f_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  (same class in  $H^1(\mathcal{O}^*)$ ) and  $g_{\alpha\beta} := f_\alpha/f_\beta = \Phi_\alpha(h_\alpha/h_\beta)\Phi_\beta^{-1} = \Phi_\alpha\tilde{g}_{\alpha\beta}\Phi_\beta^{-1}$ .

4.

**Theorem 22.** Let  $Y \hookrightarrow X$  be a hypersurface and let  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  as above. Then:

- There exists  $s \in H^0(X, \mathcal{L}_Y)$  such that  $Y = \{x \in X \mid s(x) = 0\}$  (zero locus).
- There exists a covering  $\{U_\alpha\}$  of  $X$  with  $s \leftrightarrow \{s_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$  such that  $(U_\alpha, s_\alpha)$  is a local equation for  $Y$ .
- If  $\mathcal{L}$  is a line bundle with  $s \in H^0(X, \mathcal{L})$  which gives a family of local equations for  $Y$ , then  $\mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{L}_Y$ .

Notation:  $\mathcal{L}_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_X(D)$  in the context of the divisors/line bundle correspondence.

**Theorem 23.** Let  $Y \xrightarrow{i} X$  and let  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  as above. Then we have  $\mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \cong \mathcal{L}_Y|_Y$ .

*Proof.* We note that in this case  $\mathcal{N}_{Y/X}$  is a line bundle since  $\text{codim}(Y) = 1$ .

- From adjunction we have  $K_Y \cong K_X|_Y \otimes \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}$  so that dualising  $\det(TY) \cong \det(TX|_Y) \otimes \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}^*$  gives  $\mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \cong \det(TX|_Y) \otimes \det(TX)^*$ .
- Let us now choose local charts  $(U_\alpha, z_\alpha := z_{\alpha,1}, \dots, z_{\alpha,n})$  such that  $(U_\alpha, z_{\alpha,n})$  is a local equation for  $Y$ . It follows that an atlas for  $Y$  is given by  $\mathcal{A}_Y = (Y \cap U_\alpha, z_{\alpha,1}, \dots, z_{\alpha,n-1})_{\alpha \in I}$ .
- The fiber bundles that appear are given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} TY &\leftrightarrow \left\{ U_\alpha \cap Y, g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial z_{\alpha,k}}{\partial z_{\beta,l}}, k, l = 1, \dots, n-1 \right\} \rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(TY) = n-1, \\ TX|_Y &\leftrightarrow \left\{ U_\alpha \cap Y, G_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial z_{\alpha,k}}{\partial z_{\beta,l}}, k, l = 1, \dots, n \right\} \rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(TX|_Y) = n, \\ \mathcal{L}_Y &\leftrightarrow \left\{ U_\alpha, h_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial z_{\alpha,n}}{\partial z_{\beta,n}} \right\} \rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(\mathcal{L}_Y) = 1. \end{aligned}$$



Let us compute the line  $k = n$  (last line) of  $G_{\alpha\beta}$  at a point  $y \in Y \cap (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ ,

$$\frac{\partial z_{\alpha,n}}{\partial z_{\beta,l}}(y) = \frac{\partial(h_{\alpha\beta} z_{\beta,n})}{\partial z_{\beta,l}}(y) = \left( \frac{\partial h_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial z_{\beta,l}} \right) \underbrace{z_{\beta,n}(y)}_{=0} + h_{\alpha\beta}(y) \delta_{nl} = h_{\alpha\beta}(y) \delta_{nl},$$

so

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} g_{\alpha\beta} & * \\ \hline 0 \dots 0 & h_{\alpha\beta} \end{array} \right)$$

with  $g_{\alpha\beta}(x) \in GL_{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $h_{\alpha\beta}(x) \in \mathbb{C}^*$ . This is of the form  $G_{\alpha\beta} \leftrightarrow TX|_Y$ . It follows that  $\det(G_{\alpha\beta}|_Y) = \det(g_{\alpha\beta}) h_{\alpha\beta}$  and hence  $\det(TX|_Y) \cong \det(TY) \otimes \mathcal{L}_Y$ . In addition, from adjunction one sees that  $\det(TY) \otimes \mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \cong \det(TX|_Y)$  and thus it follows that  $\mathcal{L}_Y \cong \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}$ .  $\square$

Now, consider the normal/canonical bundle sequence; We want to study it for  $Y^{(n-1)} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ . In view of the result above one has:

$$0 \longrightarrow TY \longrightarrow TX|_Y \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(D) \longrightarrow 0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-D) \longrightarrow T^*X|_Y \longrightarrow T^*Y \longrightarrow 0$$

Projective Hypersurfaces: We know that  $Y \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{P}^n$  is given by the zero locus of a global section of a line bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . We can thus observe the following:

1.  $\text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  with  $[\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)] \mapsto k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

2.  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{C}[x_0 \dots x_n]_{(k)} & \text{if } k \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } k < 0, \end{cases}$  where global sections are contained in the first case.

This is enough to identify  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  for  $Y \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{P}^n$  with  $\mathcal{L}_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)$  where  $k > 0$ . In other words, if  $s \in H^0(\mathcal{O}(k))$  for  $k > 0$ , then we have a hypersurface  $Y = \{s = 0\}$ .

**Example 16.** Consider  $Y := \{[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2 \mid X^2Y + Z^3 = 0\}$  and define  $F := X^2Y + Z^3 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3))$ . Notice this defines a  $g = 1$  curve in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ , actually an elliptic curve/complex torus. This follows from the genus-degree formula (see later) for  $Y^d \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n \rightsquigarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_Y) = \binom{d-1}{n}$ .

1. global  $\div$  local: Let us dehomogenise the polynomial in  $U_z = \{[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2 \mid Z \neq 0\} \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ .

Considering  $f_z(u, v) := F\left(\frac{X}{Z}, \frac{Y}{Z}, 1\right)$  where  $u := \frac{X}{Z}, v := \frac{Y}{Z}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then we have  $f_z(u, v) = u^2v + 1 \subset \phi_z(U_z) \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ . By the implicit function theorem  $f_z^{-1}(0)$  is a complex manifold of dimension 1 and  $(U_z, f_z(u, v) = u^2v + 1)$  is a local equation for  $Y$ .

2. local  $\div$  global: Changing coordinates via the trivialisations one has

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{xz} &= \phi_x \circ \phi_z^{-1} \left( [X : Y : Z], \left( \frac{X}{Z} \right)^2 \frac{Y}{Z} + 1 \right) = \phi_x \left( \underbrace{[X : Y : Z : X^2Y + Z^3]}_{\in \mathbb{P}^3 \setminus \{[0:0:0:1]\} \cong \mathbb{P}^2} \right) \\ &= \left( [X : Y : Z], \frac{Y}{X} + \left( \frac{Z}{X} \right)^3 \right) \end{aligned}$$

But then one sees that  $\frac{Y}{X} + (\frac{Z}{X})^3 = (\frac{Z}{X})^3 [(\frac{X}{Z})^2 \frac{Y}{Z} + 1]$  and hence  $f_x = (g_{xz})f_z$ ,  $g_{xz} = (\frac{Z}{X})^3$  and  $g_{xz} = (\frac{Z}{X})^3$  are the transition functions for  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3)$  which identify  $F$  as a global section in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3)$ .

$$\begin{cases} \text{patch local } (U_j, f_j) & \rightsquigarrow \text{global } F \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) \\ \text{restrict global } F \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(k)) & \rightsquigarrow \text{local } (U_j, f_j) \end{cases}$$

Given the discussion above we have immediately the following:

**Corollary.** If  $Y \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{P}^n$  is a hypersurface of codimension 1, then

$$\mathcal{N}_{Y/\mathbb{P}^n} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)|_Y \quad (63)$$

where  $d$  is the degree of the hypersurface  $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ .

*Proof.* Simply  $\mathcal{L}_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \cong \mathcal{L}_Y|_Y \cong i^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d) \equiv \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)|_Y$ .  $\square$

**Corollary (Adjunction).** The following holds true:

1.  $K_{\mathbb{P}^n} (= \wedge^n T_{\mathbb{P}^n}^*) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-n-1)$ .
2. For  $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$  a hypersurface of codimension 1 and degree  $d$ , one has the *adjunction formula*:

$$K_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d-n-1)|_Y. \quad (64)$$

*Proof.* Starting with the first statement, just take  $\det$  from  $0 \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{P}^n}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus n+1}(-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \rightarrow 0$ :  $\det(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus n+1}(-1)) \cong \det(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}^*) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}} \det(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \det(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}^*)$ . Since  $\det(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}$  and  $\mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \cong \mathcal{F}$  for all sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}$ -modules. Also  $\det(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus n+1}(-1)) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-n-1)$ . It follows that  $K_{\mathbb{P}^n} \cong \det(T_{\mathbb{P}^n}^*) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-n-1)$ .

For the second statement, from the general adjunction formula one has  $K_Y \cong K_X|_Y \otimes \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}$ . For  $X = \mathbb{P}^n$  and  $Y \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{P}^n$  of dimension  $n-1$ , one has  $K_X \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-n-1)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)|_Y$  for  $d$  the degree of  $Y$ . Hence  $K_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-n-1)|_Y \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)|_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d-n-1)|_Y$ .  $\square$

**Example 17** (Quintic in  $\mathbb{P}^4$ ). Consider

$$Y_3 := \left\{ [X] \in \mathbb{P}^4 \mid \sum_{i=1}^4 X_i^5 + c \prod_{i=0}^4 X_i = 0, c \in \mathbb{C} \right\}. \quad (65)$$

Then  $K_{Y_3} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^4}(5-4-1)|_{Y_3} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^4}(0)|_{Y_3} \equiv \mathcal{O}_{Y_3}$ . This means  $Y_3$  is a *Calabi-Yau 3-fold*! Superstrings in  $D=10$  compactify on  $Y_3$ :  $\mathbb{R}^{10} \cong \mathbb{R}^4 \times Y_3$  where there is the effective theory and  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY on  $\mathbb{R}^4$  and  $Y_3$  is compact.

## 6.4 Ideal Sheaf Sequence and Degree-Genus-Formula

To any complex submanifold  $Y \xrightarrow{i} X$  is attached a short exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow j_Y \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{i^*} i_*\mathcal{O}_Y \longrightarrow 0$$

This is the *ideal sheaf sequence*. Note that this is a sequence of sheaves on  $X$ . Indeed,  $U \supseteq X \mapsto i_*\mathcal{O}_Y(U) = \mathcal{O}_Y(i^{-1}(U))$ . Also, notice the following:

1.  $X \supseteq U \mapsto j_Y(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ holomorphic, } f(U \cap Y) = 0\}$ , so  $f$  is in  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  and vanishing along  $Y \hookrightarrow X$ . This is a sheaf of ideals inside  $\mathcal{O}_X$ .
2.  $i_*\mathcal{O}_Y := \mathcal{O}_X/j_X$ , alternatively  $j_X := \ker(i^* : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow i_*\mathcal{O}_Y)$ .

Codimension 1 hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ : In this case one has  $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow j_Y \xrightarrow{\cdot F} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $\cdot F$  is the multiplication by the defining equation of  $Y = \{F = 0\}$  ( $F$  is a homogeneous polynomial). **Important:** In this case one has  $j_Y \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-d)$  where  $d$  is the degree of  $F$ .

Degree-Genus-Formula: One can find a relation between the degree of  $F$  and the genus  $g$  of the associated plane curve  $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ .

**Definition 34** (Genus of  $X$ ). We define the (arithmetic) *genus* of a complex projective manifold of dimension  $n$  as

$$g := (-1)^n (\chi(\mathcal{O}_X) - 1) = (-1)^n \left( \sum_{l=0}^n (-1)^l \dim H^l(X, \mathcal{O}_X) - 1 \right). \quad (66)$$

**Remark.** If  $\mathcal{C}$  is of dimension 1 and projective:

$$g = -(\dim H^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) - \dim H^1(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{O}_X) - 1) = \dim H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \quad (67)$$

Setting:  $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{P}^2$  defined by  $F = 0$  with  $F \in H^0(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}(d))$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-d) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \longrightarrow i_*\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}} \longrightarrow 0$$

Then this induces a long exact sequence in cohomology:

$$1. \quad 0 \longrightarrow \underbrace{H^0(\mathcal{O}(-d))}_{\cong \mathbb{C}} \longrightarrow \underbrace{H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2})}_{\cong \mathbb{C}} \xrightarrow{i} H^0(i_*\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) \cong \underbrace{H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}})}_{\cong \mathbb{C}} \longrightarrow \underbrace{H^1(\mathcal{O}(-d))}_{\cong 0} \longrightarrow \dots$$

This says that we have  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{C} \rightarrow 0$ .

$$2. \quad 0 \longrightarrow \underbrace{H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2})}_{\cong 0} \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) \longrightarrow H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-d)) \longrightarrow \underbrace{H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2})}_{\cong 0} \longrightarrow \dots$$

This says that we have  $H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) \cong H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-d))$ . We conclude that  $h^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) = h^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-d)) = \binom{d-1}{d-2-1} = \binom{d-1}{(d-1)-2} = \binom{d-1}{2}$  and hence  $g(\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2) = \binom{d-1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(d-1)(d-2)$ .

**Example 18.** Consider the following three examples:

1.  $\mathcal{C}_1 := \{F = X_0^2 + X_1X_2 = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}^2$  has  $g(\mathcal{C}_1) = 0$  which implies  $\mathcal{C}_1 \cong \mathbb{P}^1$ .
2.  $\mathcal{C}_2 := \{F = X_0^3 + X_1^3 + X_2^3 = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}^2$  has  $g(\mathcal{C}_2) = 1$  and hence  $\mathcal{C}_2 \cong E$ , a torus!
3.  $\mathcal{C}_3 := \{F = X_0^4 + X_1^4 = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}^2$  has  $g(\mathcal{C}_3) = 3$ .

**Question: Where are genus 2 curves?**

Hyperelliptic Curves: Consider  $y^2 = p(x)$  where  $P(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ ,  $\deg(P) = 2g + 1 + \varepsilon$  with  $\varepsilon \in \{0, 1\}$  and distinct roots. This means  $y^2 = \prod_i^{2g+1+\varepsilon} (x - r_i)$  where the  $r_i$  are the roots, i.e.  $P(r_i) = 0$ .

1. Note that  $y^2 = P(x)$  is an affine plane curve in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ,  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ , we call it  $X$ .
2.  $U = \{(x, y) \in X \text{ with } x \neq 0\}$  is an open set for  $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2$ .
3. Let  $Q(z) = z^{2g+2}P(\frac{1}{z})$ : This is a polynomial in  $z$  with distinct roots (since  $P$  has distinct roots).
4.  $w^2 = Q(z)$  is an affine plane curve in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , we call it  $Y$ .
5.  $V = \{(z, w) \in Y \text{ with } z \neq 0\}$  is an open set for  $Y$  in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}^2 \supseteq X \equiv \{y^2 - P(x) = 0\} \quad \{w^2 - Q(z) = 0\} \equiv Y \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2 \\ U \supseteq X \overset{\text{glue}}{\rightsquigarrow} V \subseteq Y \end{aligned}$$

with gluing via

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : U &\longrightarrow V \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto (z, w) = \left( \frac{1}{x}, \frac{y}{x^{g+1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

6. The surface  $X \amalg Y / \varphi$  obtained via this gluing is a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$  and is called *hyperelliptic*.

Genus 2: It turns out that all  $g = 2$  compact Riemann surfaces are hyperelliptic, e.g.  $y^2 = x(x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2$  and gluing. These particular curves exist at every genus  $g$  and they can be seen geometrically as given by a ramified double covering  $\pi : \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{2:1} \mathbb{P}^1$ . The ramification points occur at the roots of  $P(x)$ . If  $P(x)$  is of odd degree, it is also ramified at  $p = \{\infty\}$ .

## 6.5 Relations in Cohomology: Serre Duality

*Serre duality* is one of the most fundamental relations between cohomology groups of a certain sheaf and its dual: this relation is mediated by the canonical sheaf  $\Omega_X^n \equiv K_X$ . This is one of the many reasons why the canonical sheaf is so important!

The duality states

$$H^i(X, \mathcal{F}) \cong H^{n-1}(X, \mathcal{F}^* \otimes K_X)^*. \quad (68)$$

Here  $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} X$  and  $\mathcal{F}^* = \text{hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is the dual of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Note that  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{O}_X$  on a curve:  $H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \cong H^0(X, \Omega_X^1)^*$  which gives the genus.

**Remark.** One has to look at this as a “perfect paring”:

$$H^i(X, \mathcal{F}) \times H^{n-i}(X, \mathcal{F}^* \otimes K_X) \xrightarrow{\text{non-deg}} \mathbb{C}$$

Let us compare this to *Poincaré duality*: For a compact smooth manifold  $M$  it states

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{dR}}^i(M) \times H_{\text{dR}}^{n-i}(M) &\xrightarrow{\text{n.d.}} \mathbb{R} \\ (\omega, \eta) &\longmapsto \int_M \omega \wedge \eta, \end{aligned} \quad (69)$$

so  $H_{\text{dR}}^i(M) \cong H_{\text{dR}}^{n-i}(M)^*$ . Note that  $\dim V = \dim V^*$  for any vector space.

## 7 Compact Riemann Surfaces

Compact *Riemann Surfaces* are compact complex manifolds of dimension 1, hence locally they are described by a single coordinate function  $z : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  for  $U \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ . Their geometry is very special (and beautiful).

**Remark.** Obviously, closed strings are modelled by compact Riemann surfaces.

### 7.1 Setting the Stage

Topology: The topology of compact Riemann surfaces is very easy and fully characterised by a single invariant, the genus  $g$ .

$$\text{Note that } H^i(\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i = 0, 2 \\ \mathbb{Z}^{2g} & i = 1 \end{cases}.$$



Figure 2: Examples for compact Riemann surfaces for  $g = 0$  (left) and  $g = 1$  (right)

This also gives a very important information:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_1 : H^1(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}^*) &\xrightarrow{\delta} H^2(\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \\ [\mathcal{L}] &\longmapsto \mathcal{C}_1([\mathcal{L}]) = n \end{aligned}$$

Line bundles are classified by  $\mathcal{C}_1$  which is a discrete number. In this context, this map is called the *degree* of the line bundle:

$$\deg(\mathcal{L}) := \mathcal{C}_1(\mathcal{L}) \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{70}$$

**Example 19.**  $\deg(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(k)) = k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Remark** (Numerical Criterion). One can establish some results regarding the relation between the cohomology and the degree of a line bundle:

$$\deg(\mathcal{L}) < 0 \implies H^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$$

Intuitively,  $\deg(\mathcal{L}) = (\#\text{zeros}) - (\#\text{poles})$  of a section!

**Theorem 24** (Riemann-Roch). *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a compact Riemann surface and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a line bundle on it. Then*

$$h^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}) - h^1(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}) = 1 - g + \deg(\mathcal{L}) \tag{71}$$

where  $h^i = \dim H^i$ .

**Note.** The theorem establishes a relation between the cohomology groups of a line bundle on a compact Riemann surface. It is one of the most useful results in complex algebraic geometry!

**Corollary.** Let  $K_{\mathcal{C}} = T_{\mathcal{C}}^*$ , the canonical bundle on  $\mathcal{C}$  (i.e. the bundle of holomorphic 1-forms). Then one has that

$$\deg(K_{\mathcal{C}}) = 2g - 2. \tag{72}$$

*Proof.* Recall that  $g = h^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) = h^0(K_{\mathcal{C}})$  by Serre duality. Then  $\underbrace{h^0(K_{\mathcal{C}})}_g - h^1(K_{\mathcal{C}}) = 1 - g + \deg(K_{\mathcal{C}})$ . Using Serre duality,  $h^1(K_{\mathcal{C}}) = h^0(T_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes K_{\mathcal{C}})$ , but  $T_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes K_{\mathcal{C}} = T_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes T_{\mathcal{C}}^* \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ . It follows that  $h^0(K_{\mathcal{C}}) - h^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) = g - 1$  and hence  $\deg(K_{\mathcal{C}}) = 2g - 2$ . □

**Remark** (Dimension of the Moduli Space  $\mathcal{M}_g$ ). For a complex manifold  $X$  we have seen that  $H^0(T_X)$  is related to the automorphisms, that is those maps that preserve a certain (complex) structure.  $H^1(T_X)$  can be interpreted as a sort of “defect”: It tells how much a certain complex structure can change (without changing the topology!). More precisely,  $H^1(T_X)$  gives a very rough representation of the *moduli space of complex structures* on  $X$ , namely  $H^1(T_X) \cong T_{[X]}\mathcal{M}$ . Nonetheless this is enough to compute the dimension!

Dimension of  $\mathcal{M}_{\geq 2}$  We use Riemann-Roch to compute  $h^1(T_{\mathcal{C}})$ :

1. Serre duality:  $h^1(T_{\mathcal{C}}) = h^0(K_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes 2}) \rightsquigarrow$  holomorphic quadratic differentials.
2. Riemann-Roch:  $h^0(K_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes 2}) - h^1(K_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes 2}) = 2(2g - 2) - g + 1 = 3g - 3$ .

3.  $h^1(K_C^{\otimes}) = h^0(T_C^{\otimes} \otimes K_C) = h^0(T_C)$  but  $\deg(T_C) = -\deg(K_C) = 2-2g$  and if  $g \geq 2$ , then  $2-2g < 0$  which implies  $h^0(T_C) = h^1(K_C^{\otimes 2}) = 0$

It follows that  $h^1(T_C) = 3g - 3$  if  $g \geq 2$ . Some examples:

Consider the Riemann sphere ( $g = 0$ ). Here  $h^1(T_{\mathbb{P}^1}) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(+2)) = 0$ , no moduli! (The moduli space is a ‘‘point’’ plus isomorphisms.)

Next, consider tori/elliptic curves ( $g = 1$ ). Here  $h^1(T_{\mathbb{E}}) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{E}}) \stackrel{\text{S.D.}}{=} h^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{E}}) = 1$ .

To conclude:

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{M}_g = \begin{cases} 0, & g = 0, \\ 1, & g = 1, \\ 3g - 3, & g \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

**Definition 35** (Hodge Numbers). Let  $X$  be a compact complex manifold. Then we call  $h^{p,q}(X) := \dim H^q(X, \Omega_X^p)$  the *Hodge numbers* of  $X$ .

**Remark.** The numbers  $h^{p,q}(X)$  can be arranged into a ‘‘diamond’’-shaped figure, the *Hodge diamond*. For example, consider  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = 2$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & & h^{2,2} \\
 & & & & \\
 & & & h^{2,1} & & h^{1,2} \\
 & & & & & \\
 h^{3,0} & & & h^{1,1} & & h^{0,2} \\
 & & & & & \\
 & & h^{1,0} & & h^{0,1} & \\
 & & & & & \\
 & & & & & h^{0,0}
 \end{array}$$

Figure 3: Hodge diamond for  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = 2$ .

**Note.** Not all the  $h^{p,q}$  are independent! They are related by symmetries:

- Hodge symmetry:  $h^{p,q}(X) = h^{q,p}(X)$ .
- Serre duality:  $h^{p,q}(X) = h^{n-p, n-q}(X)$ . Indeed,  $H^q(\Omega_X^p) \cong H^{n-q}(\Omega_X^n \otimes \wedge^p T_X) \cong H^{n-q}(\Omega_X^{n-p})$  by using the pairing.

Hodge diamond and topology: Let us now look at the Hodge diamond of a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ :

$$h^{1,1} = h^1(\Omega_{\mathcal{C}}^1) = 1$$

$$h^{1,0} = h^0(\Omega_{\mathcal{C}}^1) = g$$

$$h^{0,1} = h^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) = g$$

$$h^{0,0} = h^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}) = 1$$

One can observe that the sum of the Hodge numbers on the rows give the *Betti numbers*  $b^i(\mathcal{C})$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ , indeed:

$$b^i(\mathcal{C}) = \dim(H_{\text{dR}}^i(\mathcal{C}) \otimes \mathbb{C}) = \dim(H^i(\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathbb{C}) = \begin{cases} 1, & i = 0, 2 \\ 2g, & i = 1 \end{cases} = \sum_{p+q=i} h^{p,q}(\mathcal{C})$$

In fact, this is a very general and important result:

**Theorem 25** (Hodge Theorem). *Let  $X$  be a compact connected (Kähler) manifold. Then*

$$H^i(X, \mathbb{C}) \cong \bigoplus_{p+q=i} H^q(X, \Omega_X^p) \quad (73)$$

where  $H^i(X, \mathbb{C}) = H_{\text{dR}}^i(X) \otimes \mathbb{C}$  is the de Rham-cohomology valued in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## 7.2 Moduli Space of Genus 1 Compact Riemann Surfaces

We say that  $(w_1, w_2)$  such that  $\Lambda = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}}(w_1, w_2)$  for linearly independent  $w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  determines the complex structure of  $\mathbb{E} = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$ . Recall that  $\Lambda \equiv \Lambda(w_1, w_2) := \{nw_1 + mw_2 \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .

Question: When do pairs  $(w_1, w_2)$  and  $(\tilde{w}_1, \tilde{w}_2)$  determine the same complex structure?

**Remark.** Without loss of generality we can assume  $\text{Im}(\frac{w_2}{w_1}) > 0$  and  $\text{Im}(\frac{\tilde{w}_2}{\tilde{w}_1}) > 0$ .

**Lemma 6.** *We have the following equivalence:*

$$\Lambda(w_1, w_2) = \Lambda(\tilde{w}_1, \tilde{w}_2) \iff \exists A \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z}) := SL(2, \mathbb{Z})/\{\pm 1\} : \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{w}_1 \\ \tilde{w}_2 \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

*Proof.* Let us prove the two implications separately:

“ $\Leftarrow$ ”: Suppose  $\tilde{w} = A\underline{w}$  for  $A \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . Then  $\tilde{w} \in \Lambda(\underline{w})$  and hence it follows that  $\Lambda(\tilde{w}) \subseteq \Lambda(\underline{w})$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\underline{w} = A^{-1}\tilde{w}$ , hence  $\Lambda(\underline{w}) \subseteq \Lambda(\tilde{w})$ . It follows that  $\Lambda(\tilde{w}) = \Lambda(\underline{w})$ .

“ $\Rightarrow$ ”: Let  $\Lambda(\underline{w}) = \Lambda(\tilde{w})$ . This means that  $\tilde{w} \in \Lambda(\underline{w})$  and  $\underline{w} \in \Lambda(\tilde{w})$ . Therefore  $\tilde{w} = A\underline{w}$  and  $\underline{w} = \tilde{A}\tilde{w}$ .

Hence on has

$$\underline{w} = \tilde{A}\tilde{w} = \tilde{A}A\underline{w} \implies \tilde{A}A = \mathbb{1}_2 \implies \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{a} & \tilde{b} \\ \tilde{c} & \tilde{d} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$



Then, from  $\det(\tilde{A}A) = \det(\tilde{A})\det(A) = 1$  one has  $(\tilde{a}\tilde{d} - \tilde{c}\tilde{b})(ad - bc) = 1$ . Since  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ , this is only possible if  $ad - bc = \pm 1$ . Now consider the following:  $\tilde{w}_2 = cw_1 + dw_2$ ,  $\tilde{w}_1 = aw_1 + bw_2$ . Then, defining  $\tau := \frac{w_2}{w_1} = x + iy$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , we calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\tilde{w}_2}{\tilde{w}_1} &= \frac{cw_1 + dw_2}{aw_1 + bw_2} = \frac{d\frac{w_2}{w_1} + c}{b\frac{w_2}{w_1} + a} = \frac{d\tau + c}{b\tau + a} = \frac{(d\tau + c)(b\bar{\tau} + a)}{|b\tau + a|^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{|b\tau + a|^2} \left[ (d(x + iy) + c)(b(x - iy) + a) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{|b\tau + a|^2} (bdx^2 + daxcbx + ca + bdy^2 + i(ad - bc)y) \end{aligned}$$

Now using that  $0 < \text{Im}(\tau) = y$ , we have

$$0 < \text{Im} \left( \frac{\tilde{w}_2}{\tilde{w}_1} \right) = \frac{ad - bc}{|b\tau + a|^2} \underbrace{\text{Im} \left( \frac{w_2}{w_1} \right)}_{>0}$$

which implies  $ad - bc = 1$  and hence  $A \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . Finally, notice that  $A$  and  $-A$  maps to the same lattice  $\tilde{\Lambda}$  and thus one has to identify them. This leads to  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . □

**Theorem 26.**  $\mathbb{E} = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda(\underline{w})$  has the same complex structure as  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}$  if and only if there exists  $A \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  such that  $\tilde{w} = \lambda A\underline{w}$ .

*Proof.* Again, we prove the implications separately:

“ $\implies$ ”: Assume  $\mathbb{E} \cong \tilde{\mathbb{E}}$ . This means that there exists a biholomorphic map  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda(w) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathbb{C}/\Lambda(\tilde{w})$  that can be lifted to the universal covering of  $\mathbb{E}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}$ . Namely:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{h} & \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \hat{\pi} \\ \mathbb{C}/\Lambda(w) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathbb{C}/\Lambda(\tilde{w}) \end{array}$$

One can choose  $0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and define  $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\hat{\pi} \circ h(0) = \varphi \circ \pi(0)$ . Now, this holds true locally around the origin and it gives a biholomorphic map  $U_{p=0} \xrightarrow{h_0} \tilde{U}_{p=0}$  for neighbourhoods  $U, \tilde{U} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  of the origin. By analytic continuation  $h_0 \rightsquigarrow h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  biholomorphic such that  $\pi \circ h = \varphi \circ \pi$  everywhere in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

On the other hand  $h \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C})$  are well-known: They are of the form  $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $z \mapsto az + b$  with  $a \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{C}$ . This means that

$$w_1 \xrightarrow{h} az + b \mapsto aw_1 + b + \Lambda_2 \quad \text{and} \quad w_2 \xrightarrow{\pi} w_1 + \Lambda_1 = \Lambda_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} b + \Lambda_2$$

and since one has  $\hat{\pi}h = \varphi\pi$  it follows that  $aw_1 \in \Lambda_2$ .

Remark: Note that in general  $\varphi(z + \Lambda_1) = h(z) + \Lambda_2$  from the theory of universal coverings. But then, since  $dz = \lambda_i \in H^0(\mathbb{C}/\Lambda_i, \Omega_{\mathbb{C}/\Lambda_i}^1)$ , one has that  $\varphi^* \lambda_2 = a \lambda_1$  by changing basis. Hence  $\varphi^* \lambda_2 = a dz$ . On the other hand  $\varphi^* \lambda_2 \circ dh = \partial_z h dz$  if  $h$  is biholomorphic. Then one gets a differential equation  $\partial_z h = a$ , so  $\int_0^z \partial_w h dw = \int_0^z a dw$  and we obtain  $h(z) = az + b$  for  $b \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $h(0) = b$ . Note that  $h(0) = b \in \mathbb{C}$  is just an overall translation. One might require  $h(0) = 0$ , i.e. 0 is mapped to 0.

Clearly, the same is true for going from  $\tilde{w}$  to  $w$  via  $h$ : one finds that  $\tilde{a}\tilde{w} \in \Lambda_1$ . It follows that if  $\mathbb{E} \cong \tilde{\mathbb{E}}$ , then  $\tilde{w} = aAw$  with  $a \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  and  $A \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ .

“ $\Leftarrow$ ”: We already showed that  $w$  and  $Aw$  define the same lattice up to translations. This is just a change of basis in the lattice. To account for the translation we consider  $h(z) = z + b$ . Similarly also  $w$  and  $aw$  define the same lattice. this amounts to consider  $h(z) = az + b$ .

□

**Remark** (Long Story Short).  $A \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  is a change of basis of the lattice: As it is natural it does not change the complex structure. On the other hand one can directly observe that one has the isomorphisms

$$\mathbb{E}_1 \ni [z] = z + \left( n \cdot 1 + m \frac{w_2}{w_1} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{1:1}]{\varphi} w_1 z + (nw_1 + mw_2) = \varphi([z]).$$

Hence it is enough to consider lattices generated by the following pair:  $\Lambda = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}}(1, \tau)$  where  $\tau = \frac{w_2}{w_1}$  and  $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$ . Important: This allows to restrict to consider the *Poincaré Half-Plane*:

$$\mathbb{H} := \{ \tau \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im}(\tau) > 0 \} \quad (74)$$

where  $\tau$  is the *modulus*.

Idea of Moduli Space: Take a suitable quotient of  $\mathbb{H}$  so that each complex structure induced by a lattice is contained only once:

$$\mathcal{M}_{g=1} \cong \mathbb{H}/PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$$

with  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  the modular group. First of all, notice that if  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_2 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} aw_2 + bw_1 \\ cw_2 + dw_1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$$\tau = \frac{w_2}{w_1} \mapsto \frac{aw_2 + bw_1}{cw_2 + dw_1} = \frac{1\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

which is a *fractional linear transformation* since  $ad - bc = 1$ .

**Definition 36** (Fundamental Domain). It is  $z_1 \sim z_2$  in  $\mathbb{H}$  if there exists  $g \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  such that  $z_2 = gz_1$  (i.e.  $z_2$  is in the orbit). A *fundamental domain* for  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  is an open set  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{H}$  which

does not contain any points of distinct equivalent points and such that  $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$  (point set closure) contains at least one point from each equivalence class.

It follows from this that the orbit of  $\mathcal{D}$  covers  $\mathbb{H}$ .

**Remark.** Finding  $\mathcal{M}_{g=1}$  is “the same” as finding  $\mathcal{D}$  for  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  in  $\mathbb{H}$ .

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $z \in \mathbb{H}$  be arbitrary but fixed. Then, there is only a finite number of  $(c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  such that  $|cz + d| \leq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(c, d)$  be such that  $|cz + d| \leq 1$ . Then, posing  $z = x + iy$  we have  $|cz + d|^2 = \underbrace{(cd + d)^2}_{\geq 0} + c^2y^2$  and thus  $c^2y^2 \leq (cx + d)^2 + c^2y^2 \leq 1$ . Since  $z \in \mathbb{H}$  with  $y > 0$  it follows that  $|c| \leq \frac{1}{y}$ . Now, since  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  there is only a finite number of points with this property. Then, let  $\hat{c}$  be one of such values, i.e.  $|\hat{c}| \leq \frac{1}{y}$ . Regarding  $d$ , it is easy to see that  $(\hat{c}x + d)^2 + \hat{c}^2y^2 \leq 1$  is only satisfied for a finite number of values of  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $z \in \mathbb{H}$  be arbitrary but fixed and let  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  act on  $z$ . Then there exists only a finite number of points  $g \cdot z \in \mathbb{H}$  such that for any  $g \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  we have  $\text{Im}(g \cdot z) > \text{Im}(z)$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $g \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  and  $z \in \mathbb{H}$  one has

$$g \cdot z = \frac{az + b}{cz + d} = \frac{az + b}{cz + d} \frac{c\bar{z} + d}{c\bar{z} + d} = \text{Re}(g \cdot z) + i \frac{ad - bc}{|cz + d|^2} \text{Im}(z)$$

and since  $ad - bc = 1$  it follows that  $\text{Im}(g \cdot z) = \frac{\text{Im}(z)}{|cz + d|^2}$ . Finally, lemma 7 tells that there is only a finite number of pairs  $(c, d)$  such that  $|cz + d| \leq 1$ .  $\square$

**Remark.** The previous lemma 8 suggests that among the elements of an equivalence class  $g \cdot z$  one can choose an element of *maximal height*, i.e. a representative such that  $|cz + d| \geq 1$  for all  $(c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ :

$$[g \cdot z] \sim \hat{z} \equiv \hat{g} \cdot z \quad \text{for some } \hat{z} \in PSL(2, \mathbb{Z}) : |c\hat{z} + d| \geq 1 \quad \forall (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \quad (75)$$

**Remark.** Also notice  $g : z \mapsto g \cdot z = z + 1$  is a legit modular transformation in  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  (just choose  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ). Then, every element in  $\mathbb{H}$  will be mapped in the strip given by  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq \text{Re}(z) \leq \frac{1}{2}$ :

$$[g \cdot z] \sim |z| \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for } g : z \mapsto z + n \quad \text{with } n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (76)$$

(with  $g \cdot g(z) = z + 2$ ,  $g^{-1}(z) = z - 1$ )

**Theorem 27.** *The fundamental domain for the group  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  is the set*

$$\mathcal{D} = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{H} \mid |\text{Re}(z)| < \frac{1}{2}, |z| > 1 \right\}. \quad (77)$$

*In particular, there is a set theoretic isomorphism  $\mathcal{M}_{g=1} \cong \mathcal{D}$ .*

*Proof.* First, we show that  $\mathcal{D} \cong \{z \in \mathbb{H} \mid |\operatorname{Re}(z)| < \frac{1}{2}, |cz + d| > 1 \forall (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}$ . We call this set  $\mathcal{D}_1$ . Clearly  $\mathcal{D}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{D}$  since if  $z \in \mathcal{D}_1$ , then for  $c = 1, d = 0$  one has  $|z| > 1$  and hence  $z \in \mathcal{D}$ .

Viceversa, suppose  $z \in \mathcal{D}$ . Then if  $z = x + iy$  we have  $|cz + d|^2 = (cx + d)^2 + c^2y^2 = c^2 \underbrace{(x^2 + y^2)}_{>0} + 2cdx + d^2$ . Since  $x = \operatorname{Re}(z) > -\frac{1}{2}$  we conclude  $|cz + d|^2 > c^2 2cdx + d^2 > c^2 - cd + d^2 > 1$  if  $(c, d) \neq (0, 0)$ . It follows that if  $z \in \mathcal{D}$  then  $z \in \mathcal{D}_1$ , so that  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}_1$ .

Then, by the previous remark one has that  $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$  contains at least one point from each equivalence class under  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . In particular, the only pairs of points which are equivalent under  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  are the points on the boundary  $\partial D$  of  $D$  which are mapped into another by a reflection about  $x = 0$ . Indeed, say  $z \sim z'$  and  $z' = g \cdot z$ , then  $\operatorname{Im}(z) = \operatorname{Im}(g \cdot z) = \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{|cz + d|^2}$  which implies  $|cz + d|^2 \stackrel{!}{=} 1$ . This is possible for the following choices:

$$c = \pm 1, d = 0 \rightsquigarrow z \mapsto -\frac{1}{z},$$

$$c = 0, d = \pm 1 \rightsquigarrow z \mapsto z + 1$$

Clearly the transformation  $z \mapsto z + 1$  maps the points with  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = -\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\operatorname{Re}(z') = \frac{1}{2}$ . Further, if  $|z| = 1$ , then  $z = e^{i\theta} \mapsto -e^{-i\theta}$ . This proves that the only points which are identified in  $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$  are points in  $\partial D$  which coincides upon reflection about  $x = 0$ . □

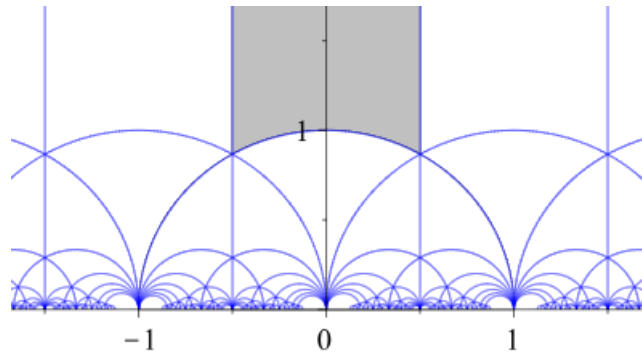


Figure 4: The gray part is the fundamental domain  $\mathcal{D}$  of  $PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . (By Original: Kilom691 Vector: Alexander Hulpke - Own work based on: ModularGroup-FundamentalDomain-01.png, CC BY-SA 4.0, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=59963451>)