

MATHEMATICAL TRIPOS      Part III

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PAPER 22

COMPLEX MANIFOLDS

*Attempt no more than **THREE** questions.*

*There are **FIVE** questions in total.*

*The questions carry equal weight.*

**STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

*Cover sheet  
Treasury Tag  
Script paper*

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

*None*

<p><b>You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages until instructed to do so by the Invigilator.</b></p>
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**1** Define the differential  $(p, q)$ -forms on a complex manifold and the differential operators  $\partial$  and  $\bar{\partial}$ . Explain what is meant by a real  $(p, p)$ -form. For a real  $(p, p)$ -form  $\eta$ , show that  $d\eta = 0$  if and only if  $\bar{\partial}\eta = 0$ . Show also that if  $f = u + iv$  is a holomorphic function on a complex manifold then its real part  $u$  satisfies  $\bar{\partial}\partial u = 0$ .

Suppose that  $\varphi$  is a  $(0, q)$ -form on a polydisc  $U$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $q > 0$ , and  $\bar{\partial}\varphi = 0$ . Show that there is a  $(0, q - 1)$ -form  $\psi$  defined on an open subset  $U_0 \subset U$  such that  $\bar{\partial}\psi = \varphi|_{U_0}$ .

By applying the latter result on suitable neighbourhoods, but without appealing to Hodge theory, deduce that every  $(0, 1)$ -form on the Riemann sphere  $\mathbb{C}P^1 = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$  is  $\bar{\partial}$ -exact.

[You may assume that if  $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is open and a complex function  $g$  is smooth on  $D$  then, for a closed disc  $\bar{D}_0 \subset D$ , the function  $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{D_0} \frac{g(w)}{w - z} dw d\bar{w}$  is smooth and satisfies  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = g$  on the interior  $D_0$  of  $\bar{D}_0$ .

At some point, you might like to consider the Laurent expansion of an appropriate holomorphic function on an annulus in  $\mathbb{C}$ .]

**2** Define the terms *holomorphic line bundle*  $L$  over a complex manifold  $X$ , *holomorphic section* of  $L$  over an open subset  $U \subseteq X$  and the *dual bundle*  $L^*$  of  $L$ , showing that  $L^*$  is a holomorphic bundle.

Now suppose that  $X$  is compact and connected. Show that  $L$  is holomorphically trivial if and only if both  $L$  and  $L^*$  have non-identically-zero holomorphic sections over  $X$ .

Define the tautological bundle  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  and the hyperplane bundle  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  over  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  and show that these bundles have holomorphic transition functions. Let  $H$  be a hyperplane in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . Give an example of a never-zero holomorphic section of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  over  $\mathbb{C}P^n \setminus H$  which extends holomorphically over  $H$ .

[Standard results about complex vector bundles over smooth manifolds may be assumed, provided these are accurately stated. You may also assume standard properties of holomorphic functions on open neighbourhoods in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .]

**3** Define the terms *divisor*, *order of a meromorphic function* at an irreducible hypersurface and *principal divisor* on a complex manifold. You should state the auxiliary properties of local rings that you require. Explain what is meant by a local defining function for a divisor  $D$  and by the holomorphic line bundle  $[D]$  associated to  $D$ . Show that  $[D]$  is holomorphically trivial if and only if  $D$  is a principal divisor.

State the adjunction formula for the canonical bundle of a non-singular hypersurface in a complex manifold.

Let  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  be complex homogeneous polynomials on  $\mathbb{C}^5$  of degrees, respectively,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ . Suppose that the zero locus  $W$  of  $Q_1$  defines a non-singular connected hypersurface in  $\mathbb{C}P^4$  and the common zero locus of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  defines a non-singular complex surface  $S$  in  $\mathbb{C}P^4$ . Determine all the values of  $d_1, d_2$ , such that  $S$  has a trivial canonical bundle.

[You may assume that the canonical bundle of  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  is isomorphic to  $[-(n+1)H]$ , where  $H$  is a hyperplane, and that  $S \cap H_0$  is non-empty for some hyperplane  $H_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}P^4$ . The relation  $[D_1 + D_2] = [D_1] \otimes [D_2]$  for divisors  $D_1, D_2$  may be used without proof.]

**4** Define the fundamental  $(1, 1)$ -form  $\omega$  of a Hermitian metric on a complex manifold. Explain briefly how the volume form of the induced Riemannian metric is expressed in terms of  $\omega$ .

Define the Hodge  $*$ -operator for complex differential forms on a Hermitian manifold. Show that on a Hermitian manifold of (complex) dimension  $n$  every  $(n, 0)$ -form  $\eta$  satisfies  $*\eta = c\eta$ , with  $c = (-1)^{n(n+1)/2} i^n$ .

Show that the operator  $\bar{\partial}^* = - * \partial *$  is the formal  $L^2$  adjoint of  $\bar{\partial}$ . Define  $\bar{\partial}$ -harmonic forms and state the Hodge theorem for the space of  $(p, q)$ -forms. Show that the space of  $\bar{\partial}$ -harmonic  $(p, q)$ -forms on a compact Hermitian manifold  $X$  is isomorphic to the Dolbeault cohomology  $H^{p,q}(X)$  and also to the space of  $\bar{\partial}$ -harmonic  $(n-p, n-q)$ -forms ( $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} X$ ).

[You may assume that  $**\alpha = (-1)^{p+q}\alpha$  for each  $(p, q)$ -form  $\alpha$ .]

**5** Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold. Define the Laplacians  $\Delta$ ,  $\Delta_\partial$ ,  $\Delta_{\bar{\partial}}$ ,  $\Delta^c$  corresponding to, respectively  $d$ ,  $\partial$ ,  $\bar{\partial}$ ,  $d^c$ . Prove the identities  $\Delta = 2\Delta_{\bar{\partial}} = 2\Delta_\partial = \Delta^c$ .

Show that a complex differential form  $\alpha$  on  $X$  satisfies  $\Delta\alpha = 0$  if and only if  $\Delta(J(\alpha)) = 0$ , where  $J$  denotes the almost complex structure on  $X$ .

State the  $\partial\bar{\partial}$ -lemma for  $X$ . Show that if  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  are two Kähler forms in the same de Rham cohomology class then  $\tilde{\omega} = \omega + i\partial\bar{\partial}f$  for some smooth real-valued function  $f$  on  $X$  and  $f$  is uniquely determined up to additive constant.

[You may assume the identity  $[\Lambda, \partial] = i\bar{\partial}^*$  on a Kähler manifold, provided that you give a definition of  $\Lambda$ .]

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