

(L2) - Basic properties of pseudoholomorphic curves

almost complex manifolds and Riemann surfaces

M manifold, $J = (J_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M)_{p \in M}$ almost complex structure : $J^2 = -id$

Integrability thm: (M, J) is complex (locally $\cong (\mathbb{C}^n, i = J_0)$)

$\Leftrightarrow [JX, JY] - J[JX, Y] - J[X, JY] - [X, Y] = 0 \quad \forall X, Y : M \rightarrow TM$ vector field
 $\Downarrow N_J(X, Y)$ Nijenhuis tensor

Corollary (Homework: $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} M = 2 \Rightarrow N_J = 0$ always \Rightarrow)

Every almost complex 2-manifold (Σ, j) is complex (locally $\cong (\mathbb{C}, i)$).

Uniformization thm: Every complex structure j on S^2 is equivalent

to $j_0 = i$ on \mathbb{CP}^1 (i.e. $\exists \varphi : \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow S^2$ diffeom.: $\varphi^* j = j_0$)

Pseudoholomorphic curves

Defⁿ: $(\Sigma, j), (M, J)$ almost complex

• A submanifold $C \subset M$ is J -holomorphic if $J(TC) = TC$.

• A map $u : \Sigma \rightarrow M$ is (J, j) -holomorphic if $J \circ du = du \circ j$

$\Leftrightarrow \bar{\partial}_J u = \frac{1}{2}(du + J \circ du \circ j) = 0$ "Cauchy-Riemann operator"

Uniformization

Cor: $C \subset M$ \mathbb{J} -holomorphic submfld , $C \cong S^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists u: (\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1, j_0) \hookrightarrow M : \bar{\partial}_\mathbb{J} u = 0 , u(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1) = C$$

Proof: $u: (\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1, j_0) \xrightarrow{\varphi} (C, \underbrace{j^*}_{\text{almost complex}}) \hookrightarrow (M, \mathbb{J})$

Note: If $u: \Sigma \rightarrow M$ is \mathbb{J} -hol. , then so is $u \circ \varphi$ for

$$\text{Aut}(\Sigma, \mathbb{J}) = \{ \varphi: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma \mid (\mathbb{J}, \mathbb{J})\text{-holomorphic diffeomorphism} \}.$$

$$(d(u \circ \varphi) \circ j = du \circ d\varphi \circ j = du \circ j \circ d\varphi = \mathbb{J} \circ du \circ d\varphi = \mathbb{J} \circ d(u \circ \varphi))$$

Homework

$$\text{Ex: } \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1, i) = \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \mid \begin{array}{l} a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C} \\ ad - bc = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ Möbius transformations}$$

$\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$

$$= PSL(2, \mathbb{C})$$

We will study moduli spaces of "pseudoholomorphic curves" C resp. $[u]$

for fixed $A \in H_2(M)$, $p_0 \in M$

$$\{ C \subset M \mid \text{\mathbb{J}-hol. submfld , $C \cong \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1$, $[C] = A$, $p_0 \in C$} \}$$

\uparrow 1-1 if all u embedded

$$M(\mathbb{J}, A) := \left\{ u: \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow M \mid \bar{\partial}_\mathbb{J} u = 0, u_*[\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1] = A, u(\infty) = p_0 \right\} / \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1, i, \infty)$$

$\{ u(\infty) = \infty \}$
 $\{ z \mapsto az + b \}$

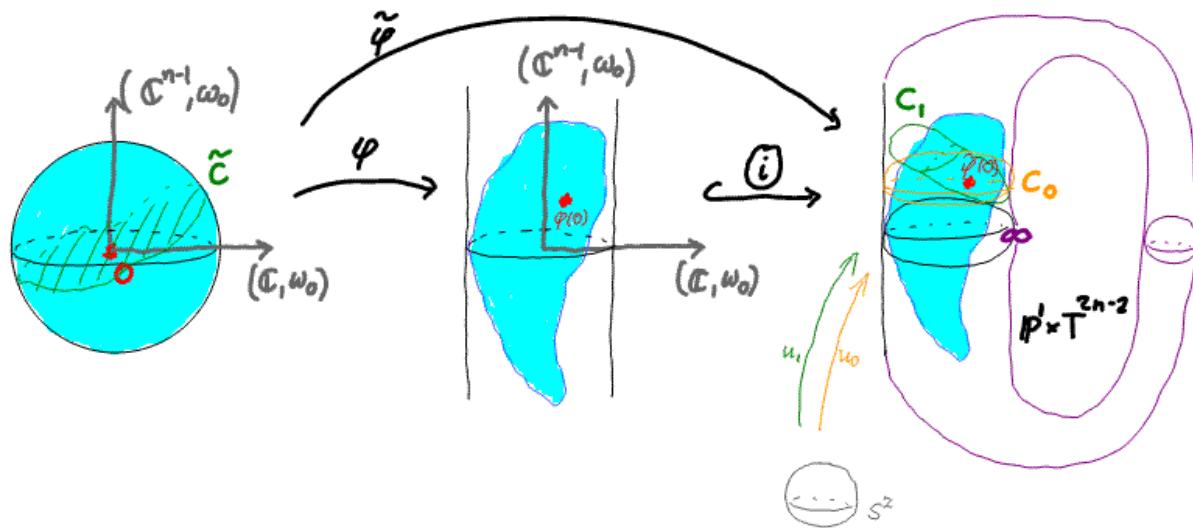
RECALL:

Gromov nonsqueezing: If $B^n(R) \xrightarrow{\text{Symp}} B^r(1) \times \mathbb{C}^{n-r}$ then $R \leq r$

Plan of Proof We will prove $R \leq r \quad \forall r > 1$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) embed } B(1) &\xrightarrow{\text{Symp}} (\mathbb{CP}^1, r\omega_{std}) & \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \omega_{std} = \pi \\ \text{pr}_{\mathbb{C}^{n-1}}(\text{im } \varphi) &\xrightarrow{\text{Symp}} (T^{2n-2} = \mathbb{R}^{2n-2}/\mathbb{Z}^{2n-2}, k\omega_0) & \int_{T^{2n-2}} \omega_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_0 = 1 \\ \text{to get } \tilde{\varphi}: B^n(R) &\hookrightarrow (\mathbb{CP}^1 \times T^{2n-2}, r\omega_{std} \times k\omega_0) \end{aligned}$$

- ii) find a $\tilde{\varphi}_+ \circ \varphi$ -holomorphic curve $C_1 \subset \mathbb{CP}^1 \times T^{2n-2}$ through $\tilde{\varphi}(0)$
(extended beyond im φ) $[C_1] = [\mathbb{CP}^1 \times \text{pt}] \in H_2$
- iii) apply monotonicity lemma to $\tilde{C} = \tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(C_1)$



Sketch of (ii)

$\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$

$$\mathcal{M}(J_0) := \left\{ C \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times T \mid J_0 \cdot TC = TC, \tilde{\varphi}(0) \in C, [C] = [\mathbb{P}^1 \times pt] \right\}$$

consists of one curve, $C_0 = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \text{pr}_T(\tilde{\varphi}(0))$

View this as J_0 -hol. map $u_0: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1 \times T^{2n-2}$ satisfying $u_0(z_0) = \tilde{\varphi}(0)$
 $z \mapsto (z, \text{pr}_T(\tilde{\varphi}(0)))$ $u_{0*}[\mathbb{CP}] = [\mathbb{CP} \times pt]$

and note that $u_0 \circ \psi$ for $\psi: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1$ diffeomorphism also parametrizes C_0
is holomorphic is also J_0 -holomorphic

Claim: $\exists u_i: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1 \times T, \bar{\partial}_{J_0} u_i = 0, u_i(z_0) = \tilde{\varphi}(0), u_{i*}[\mathbb{CP}] = [\mathbb{CP} \times pt]$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \mathcal{M}(J_0) := \left\{ u: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1 \times T^{2n-2} \mid \bar{\partial}_{J_0} u = 0, u(z_0) = \tilde{\varphi}(0), u_*[\mathbb{CP}] = [\mathbb{CP} \times pt] \right\} / \text{Aut}(\mathbb{CP}, i, z_0)$$

$$= \{[u_0]\}$$

TBD homework problem (using energy identity)

\textcircled{b} find "regular" continuous family $[0,1] \xrightarrow{\text{TBD}} \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{CP}^1 \times T^{2n-2}), t \mapsto J_t$

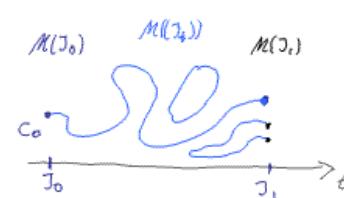
from J_0 to J_1 = extension of $\varphi_* \sqrt{-1}$

$$\textcircled{c} \quad \mathcal{M}([J_t]) := \left\{ (t \in [0,1], C \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times T) \mid J_t \cdot TC = TC, \tilde{\varphi}(0) \in C, [C] = [\mathbb{P}^1 \times pt] \right\}$$

$$= \{ (t, u) \mid \bar{\partial}_{J_t} u = 0, \dots \} / u_0 \sim u$$

is

- a manifold "transversality"/"regularization"
- dimension 1 "Fredholm theory"
- compact "Gromov compactness"
- has boundary $\partial \mathcal{M}([J_t]) = \mathcal{M}(J_0) \cup \mathcal{M}(J_1)$
"bubbling analysis"



$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(J_1) \neq \emptyset$ since compact 1-manifolds have even number of boundary points