

55. On Some Integral Invariants on Complex Manifolds. I

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This note is a continuation of our preceding works (cf. Bando [1], Mabuchi [8]) and we here explain how Futaki invariants (cf. Futaki [5], Futaki and Morita [6]) are generalized and reinterpreted from our viewpoints. Most of the proofs down below are very sketchy and a complete account including the present results will be given in a separate paper [2].

(I) Fix an arbitrary compact complex r -dimensional connected manifold X . Let $G := \text{Aut}(X)$ be the group of all holomorphic automorphisms of X and $G^0 := \text{Aut}^0(X)$ be its identity component. We denote by $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$ the set of all volume forms Ω on X such that $\int_X \Omega = 1$. Now, to each pair $(\Omega', \Omega'') \in \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X \times \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$, we associate the real number $N_X(\Omega', \Omega'') \in \mathbf{R}$ by

$$N_X(\Omega', \Omega'') := \int_a^b dt \int_X \{(\sqrt{-1}/2\pi)\bar{\partial}\partial \log(\Omega_t)\}^r (\partial\Omega_t/\partial t)/\Omega_t,$$

where $\{\Omega_t | a \leq t \leq b\}$ is an arbitrary piecewise smooth path in $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$ such that $\Omega_a = \Omega'$ and $\Omega_b = \Omega''$. Then by a result of Donaldson [4; Proposition 6] applied to the anti-canonical bundle K_X^{-1} of X , the number $N_X(\Omega', \Omega'')$ above is independent of the choice of the path $\{\Omega_t | a \leq t \leq b\}$ and therefore well-defined. Furthermore, N_X is G -invariant, i.e.,

$$N_X(g^*\Omega', g^*\Omega'') = N_X(\Omega', \Omega'') \quad \text{for all } g \in G \text{ and all } \Omega', \Omega'' \in \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X,$$

and satisfies the 1-cocycle condition, i.e.,

$$(i) \quad N_X(\Omega', \Omega'') + N_X(\Omega'', \Omega') = 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$(ii) \quad N_X(\Omega, \Omega') + N_X(\Omega', \Omega'') + N_X(\Omega'', \Omega) = 0,$$

for all $\Omega, \Omega', \Omega'' \in \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$. We now fix an arbitrary element Ω_0 of $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$, and define a functional $\nu_X: \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by

$$\nu_X(\Omega) := N_X(\Omega_0, \Omega), \quad \Omega \in \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X.$$

We moreover set

$$n_X(g) := \exp(\nu_X(g^*\Omega_0)), \quad g \in G.$$

Then the same argument as in [8; § 5] easily allows us to obtain:

Proposition A. (i) $n_X: G \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$ is a Lie group homomorphism which does not depend on the choice of Ω_0 , where \mathbf{R}_+ denotes the group of positive real numbers. In particular, n_X is trivial on $[G, G]$.

(ii) Let $\lambda := c_1(X)^r[X]$. Then $\Omega \in \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$ is a critical point of ν_X if and only if $\{(\sqrt{-1}/2\pi)\bar{\partial}\partial \log(\Omega)\}^r = \lambda\Omega$, i.e., $(\sqrt{-1}/2\pi)\bar{\partial}\partial \log(\Omega)$ is a (possibly indefinite) Einstein form.

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