ON THE DIFFEOMORPHISM TYPES OF CERTAIN ALGEBRAIC SURFACES. I

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Introduction

Using the moduli space of anti-self-dual connections on SU(2)-bundles, Donaldson has introduced new invariants for closed, smooth 4-manifolds. The invariant of interest to us here is defined for simply connected, oriented 4-manifolds M of type (1, n) for any $n \ge 1$ (type (1, n) meaning that the self-intersection form q_M : $H^2(M; \mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $q_M(x) = \int_M x \cup x$ is

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