## **KAEHLER STRUCTURES ON TORIC VARIETIES**

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1. Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a compact connected 2*n*-dimensional manifold, and let

(1.1) 
$$\tau: T^n \to \operatorname{Diff}(X, \omega)$$

be an effective Hamiltonian action of the standard *n*-torus. Let  $\phi: X \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be its moment map. The image,  $\Delta$ , of  $\phi$  is a convex polytope, called the *moment polytope*. Delzant showed in [5] that the triple  $(X, \omega, \tau)$  is determined up to isomorphism by this polytope, and also that X has an intrinsic  $T^n$ -invariant complex structure which is compatible with  $\omega$  and makes X into a toric variety. The purpose of this note is to show that is not only the symplectic geometry of X determined by  $\Delta$ , but also, to a certain extent, the *Kaehler* geometry of X. By [5],  $\Delta$  can be described by a set of inequalities of the form

(1.2) 
$$\langle x, u_i \rangle \geq \lambda_i, \qquad i = 1, \cdots, d;$$

the  $u_i$ 's being primitive elements of the lattice,  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ , and d the number of (n-1)-dimensional faces of  $\Delta$ . Let  $l_i: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  be the map

$$l_i(x) = \langle x, u_i \rangle - \lambda_i,$$

and let  $\Delta^{\circ}$  be the interior of  $\Delta$ . Then  $x \in \Delta^{\circ}$  if and only if  $l_i(x) > 0$  for all *i*. Let

$$l_{\infty}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \langle x, u_i \rangle.$$

Our main result is the following formula for the restriction of  $\omega$  to  $\phi^{-1}(\Delta^{\circ})$ :

(1.3) 
$$\omega = \sqrt{-1}\partial\overline{\partial}\pi^* \left(\sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i(\operatorname{Log} l_i) + l_{\infty}\right).$$

This we will derive as a corollary of another result which I will now describe: By [5] there is an intrinsic involution  $\gamma: X \to X$  which reverses

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