

## ON THE SYMPLECTIC FORM OF THE MODULI SPACE OF PROJECTIVE STRUCTURES

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Let  $S$  be a  $C^\infty$  compact connected oriented surface whose genus is at least two. Let  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  be the moduli space of isotopic classes of projective structures associated to  $S$ . The natural holomorphic symplectic form on  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  will be denoted by  $\Omega_{\mathcal{P}}$ . The natural holomorphic symplectic form on the holomorphic cotangent bundle  $T^*\mathcal{T}(S)$  of the Teichmüller space  $\mathcal{T}(S)$  associated to  $S$  will be denoted by  $\Omega_{\mathcal{T}}$ . Let  $e : \mathcal{T}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$  be the holomorphic section of the canonical holomorphic projection  $\mathcal{P}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S)$ , given by the Earle uniformization. Let  $T_e : T^*\mathcal{T}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$  be the biholomorphism constructed using the section  $e$ . We prove that  $T_e^*\Omega_{\mathcal{P}} = \pi \cdot \Omega_{\mathcal{T}}$ . This remains true if  $e$  is replaced by a large class of sections that include the one given by the Schottky uniformization.

### 1. Introduction

A projective structure on a smooth compact connected oriented surface  $S$  is defined by giving a covering of  $S$  by coordinate charts, where the coordinate functions are orientation preserving diffeomorphisms to open subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$ , such that all the transition functions are Möbius transformations. Two projective structures are called equivalent if they differ by a diffeomorphism of  $S$  homotopic to the identity map. Let  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  denote the equivalence classes of projective structures on  $S$ .

The Teichmüller space  $\mathcal{T}(S)$  for  $S$  parametrizes all the equivalence classes of complex structures on  $S$  compatible with its orientation; two complex structures are called equivalent if they differ by a diffeomorphism of  $S$  homotopic to the identity map. Both  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  and  $\mathcal{T}(S)$  are complex manifolds,