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INTERSECTION NUMBERS FOR LOGARITHMIC *K*-FORMS

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1. Introduction

Let $L_j: \ell_j = 0 \ (0 \le j \le n+1)$ be hyperplanes in the k-dimensional projective space \mathbf{P}^k in general position. For

$$\alpha = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{n+1}), \quad \alpha_j \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \mathbf{Z}, \quad \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} \alpha_j = 0,$$

we consider the logarithmic 1-from

$$\omega = \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} \alpha_j \frac{d\ell_j}{\ell_j}$$

and the covariant derivation $\nabla_{\omega} = d + \omega \wedge$ with respect to ω on $X = \mathbf{P}^k \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^{n+1} L_j$. The k-th twisted de Rham cohomology group on X with respect to ω and that with compact support are defined as

$$\begin{split} H^{k}(X,\nabla_{\omega}) &= \{\xi \in \mathcal{E}^{k}(X) \mid \nabla_{\omega}\xi = 0\} / \nabla_{\omega}\mathcal{E}^{k-1}(X), \\ H^{k}_{c}(X,\nabla_{\omega}) &= \{\xi \in \mathcal{E}^{k}_{c}(X) \mid \nabla_{\omega}\xi = 0\} / \nabla_{\omega}\mathcal{E}^{k-1}_{c}(X), \end{split}$$

where $\mathcal{E}^m(X)$ is the space of smooth *m*-forms on *X* and $\mathcal{E}_c^m(X)$ is the space of smooth *m*-forms on *X* with compact support. It is known that the inclusion of $\mathcal{E}_c^m(X)$ in $\mathcal{E}^m(X)$ induces a natural isomorphism of $H_c^k(X, \nabla_\omega)$ onto $H^k(X, \nabla_\omega)$ and that $H^k(X, \nabla_\omega)$ is spanned by

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ight) \wedge d \log\left(rac{\ell_{i_1}}{\ell_{i_2}}
ight) \wedge \ldots \wedge d \log\left(rac{\ell_{i_{k-1}}}{\ell_{i_k}}
ight),$$

 $I = (i_0, i_1, \ldots, i_k), \quad 0 \le i_0 < i_1 < \ldots < i_k \le n+1.$

The groups $H_c^k(X, \nabla_{\omega})$ and $H^k(X, \nabla_{-\omega})$ for $-\alpha = (-\alpha_0, \dots, -\alpha_{n+1})$ are dual to each other under the pairing